## Searching for the Electric Dipole Moment of the Neutron, the Holy Grail of Precision Measurements

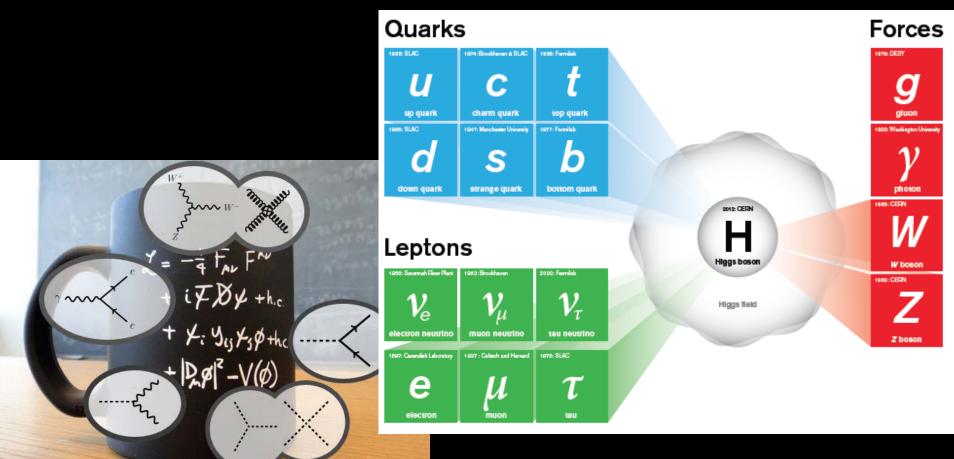
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## Physics in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century



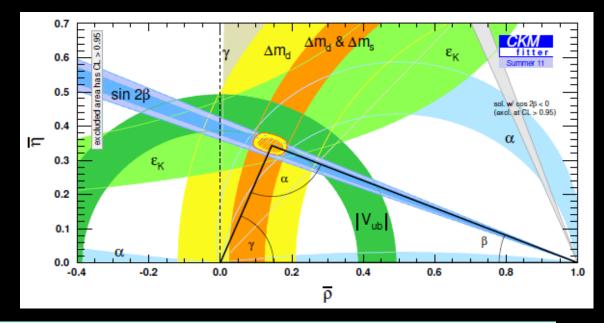
Albert A. Michelson, in 1894, stated: "... it seems probable that most of the grand underlying principles have been firmly established ... An eminent physicist remarked that the future truths of physical science are to be looked for in the sixth place of decimals."

# Standard Model of Particle Physics (the bright side)

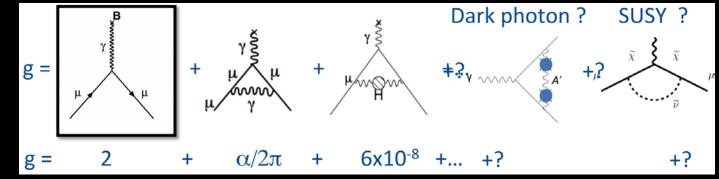


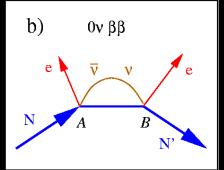
# Standard Model of Particle Physics (the dark side)

## Precision Measurements



### Muon Anomaly $\Delta a_{\mu} = a_{\mu}^{\text{exp}} - a_{\mu}^{\text{SM}} = 276(80) \times 10^{-11}$





#### MuLAN & FAST experiments at PSI:

 $\tau_{\mu +}$ =2.1969803(22)x10<sup>-6</sup>sec MuLAN 2010 (Most precise lifetime measurement ever!)

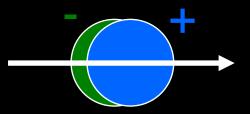
Improved Previous World Average by error/20!

and many more...

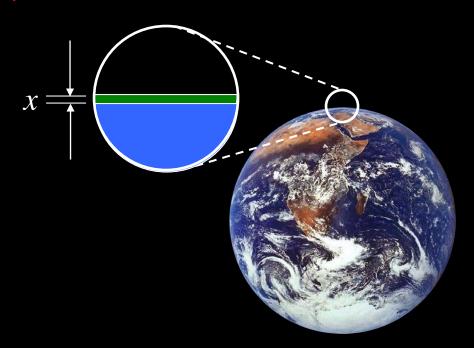
#### Electric Dipole Moment (EDM) of the Neutron

#### Purcell and Ramsey, Phys. Rev. 78, 807 (1950)

• Neutron EDM  $(d_E)$ : Permanent, net charge separation within the neutron volume



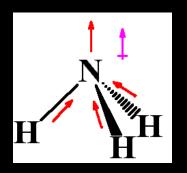
- Current limit [1]:  $d_F < 2.9 \times 10^{-26} \text{ e-cm}$
- First experiment (1957):  $d_F < 5 \times 10^{-20} \text{ e-cm}$



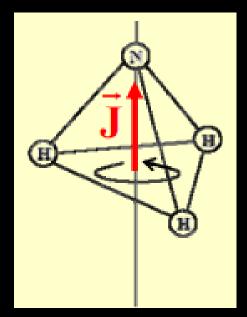
Charge separation for an earth-size neutron

Current limit:  $\Delta x < 3 \times 10^{-13} r_E (4 \mu \text{m})$ Goal sensitivity:  $\Delta x < 3 \times 10^{-15} r_E (40 \text{ nm})$ 

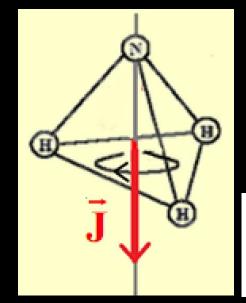
### Electric Dipole Moment of polar molecules



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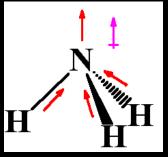


$$\vec{d} = d \frac{J}{|J|}$$

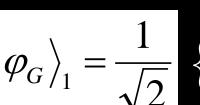


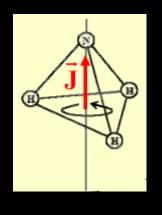
$$\vec{d} = -d \frac{J}{|J|}$$

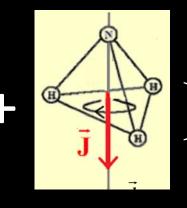
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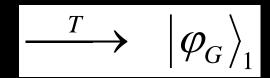


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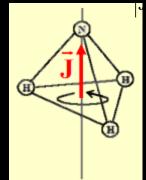


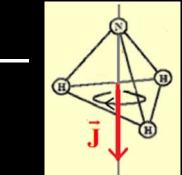






$$\left. \varphi_G \right\rangle_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$







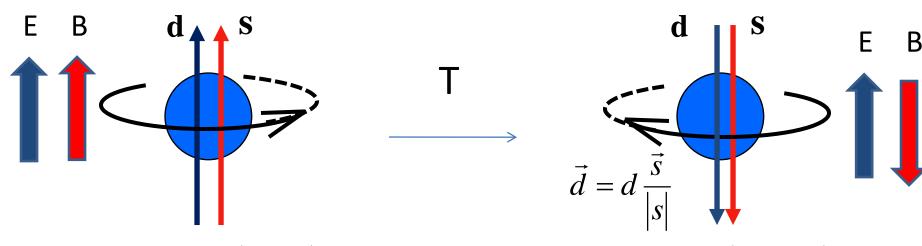
$$\Rightarrow [H,T] = 0$$

NH<sub>3</sub>:  $d = 0.3 \times 10^{-8} \text{ e-cm}$ H<sub>2</sub>0:  $d = 0.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ e-cm}$ 

NaCl:  $d = 1.8 \times 10^{-8} e - cm$ 

#### Electric Dipole Moment of fundamental particles

Fundamental particles don't have degenerate ground state, so  $\vec{d}=d\hat{I}$ . Say, if the ground state (under fields) is



$$\varepsilon_{1/2} = dE + \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{\hbar}{2m}\right) B$$

$\varepsilon_{1/2} = dE + \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{\hbar}{2m}\right) B$	$\varepsilon_{-1/2} = -dE +$	$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\hbar}{2m}\right)\!(-B)$
P T $(2 2m)$	T-odd Pseudo-scalar	T-even scalar

Pseudo-scalar

	C	P	T
$ec{E}$	-	-	+
$ec{J}$	+	+	-
$d\hat{I}$	_	+	_

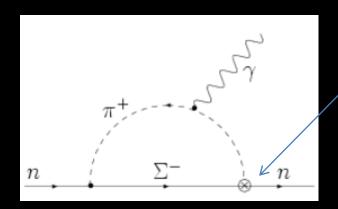
$$\left|\phi_{G}\right\rangle \quad \stackrel{T}{\longrightarrow} \quad \left|\phi'\right\rangle$$

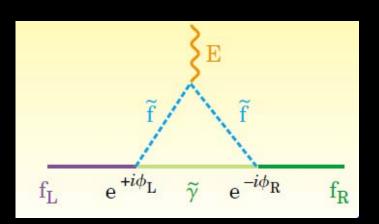
The ground state is not a T eigenstate!

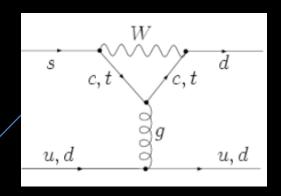
$$\Rightarrow [H,T] \neq 0$$

#### EDM is a sensitive probe for symmetry-violating physics.

#### nEDM: violates P and T



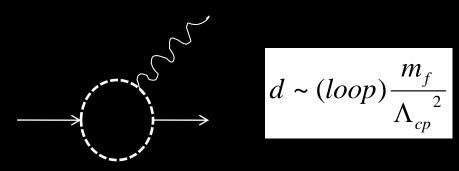




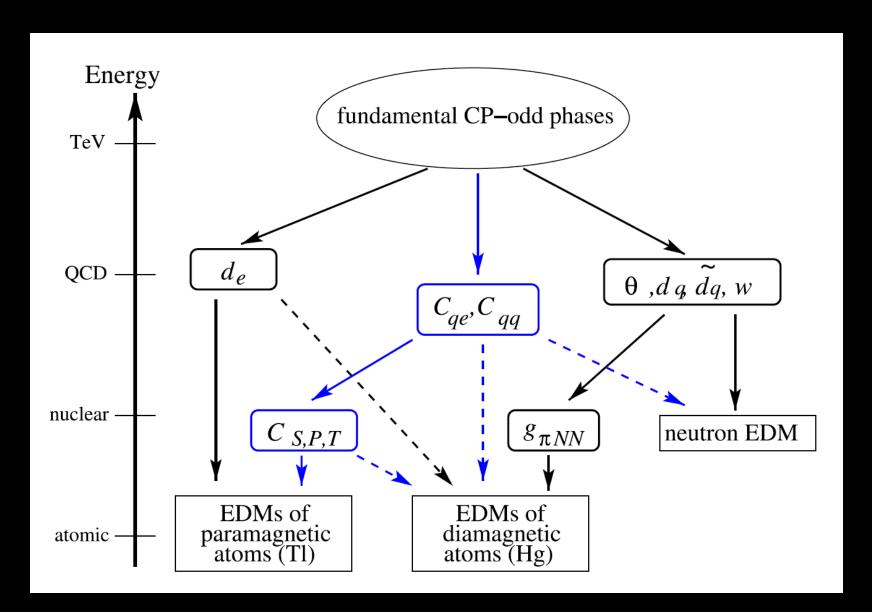
Suppressed 3-loop effect in the Standard Model

$$d_n \sim 10^{-32}$$
 e-cm (Khriplovich & Zhitnitsky 1986)

Large effect in more comprehensive theories



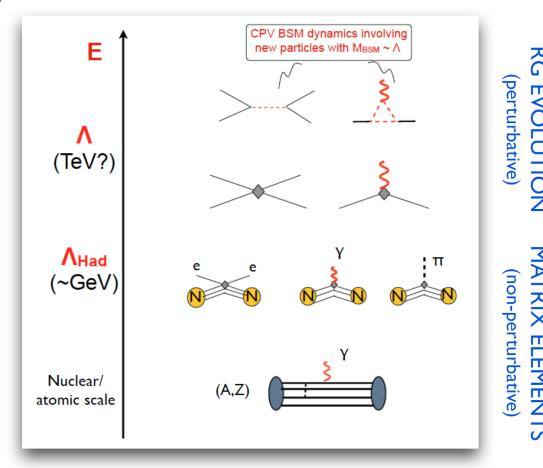
$$d < 10^{-26} e-cm \rightarrow \Lambda_{co} = 1 \text{ TeV}$$



Pospelov, Ritz, Ann. Phy. 318 (2005) 119.

## We hate EDMs because:

**Theo**rists



Connecting EDMs to new physics is a challenging multi-scale problem: need RG evolution of effective couplings & hadronic / nuclear / molecular calculations of matrix elements

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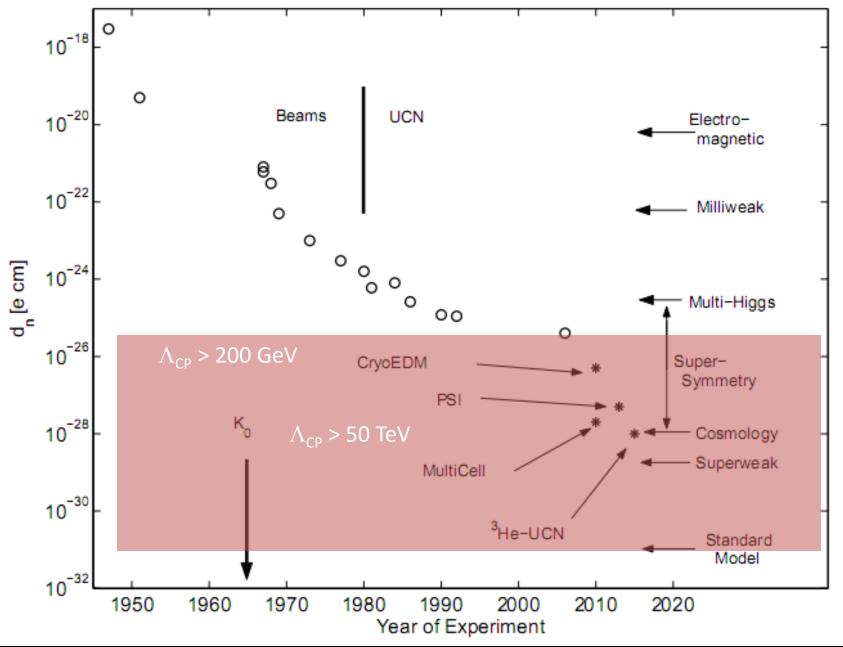
Essentially free of SM "background" (CKM)\*

Probe very high-scales ( $\Lambda \sim 10-100 \text{ TeV}$ )

$$d_n \propto \frac{m_q}{\Lambda^2} e \, \phi_{CP}$$

Probe key ingredient for baryogenesis (CPV in SM is insufficient)

\* Observation would signal new physics or a tiny QCD  $\theta$ -term (<  $10^{-10}$ ). Multiple measurements can disentangle the two effects





#### Traditional technique: Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR)

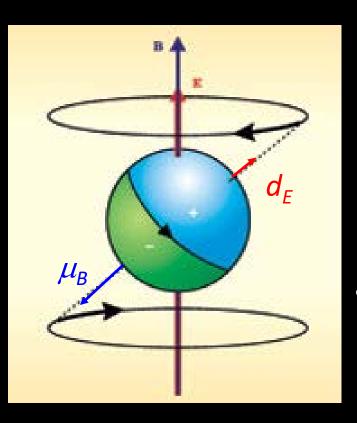


Figure: Physics Today 56 6 (2003) 33

$$H = -\left(\mu \vec{B} + d_n \vec{E}\right) \cdot \frac{\vec{S}}{|S|}$$

• Larmor frequency: 
$$\omega_B = -\frac{2\mu_B B}{\hbar}$$

( $\sim$  29.2 Hz for  $B \sim 0.1G$ )

•  $d_n$ : additional precession:

$$\omega_E = \frac{2d_n E}{\hbar}$$

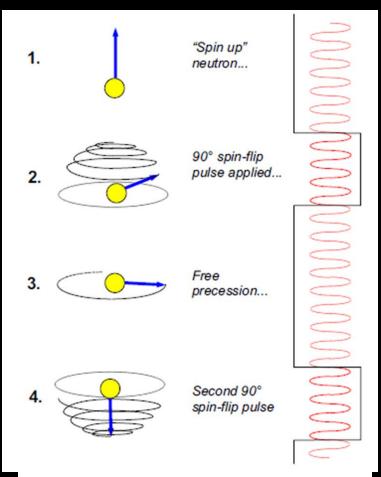
$$\omega_{E\parallel B} - \omega_{Eanti-\parallel B} \equiv \Delta \omega = \frac{4d_E E}{\hbar}$$

• Apply static *B*, *E* | | *B* 

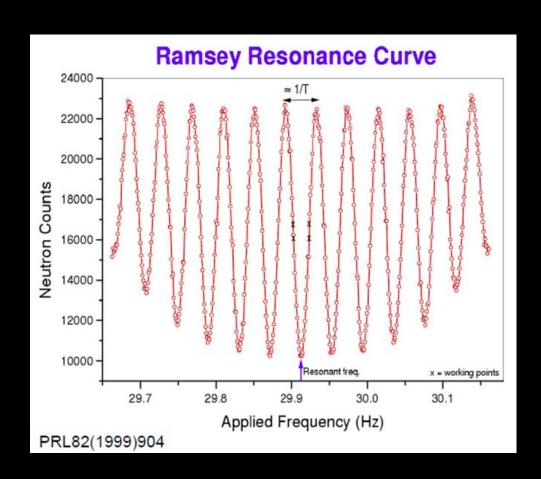
If  $d_n = 5 \times 10^{-28}$  e cm,  $\Delta \omega = 12$  nHz.

• Look for  $\Delta\omega$  on reversal of E

## Technique: The Ramsey's Separated Oscillatory Field Method



5. Spin analyzer (only allows "spin up" UCN through to be counted)



### **Ultra-Cold Neutrons (UCN)**

#### What are UCN?

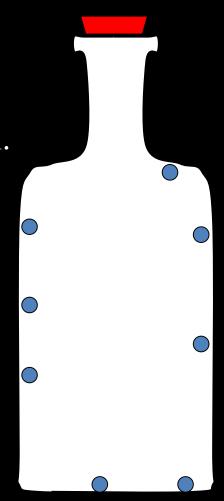
Very slow neutrons

$$(v < 8 \text{ m/s}; \lambda > 500 \text{ Å})$$

that cannot penetrate into certain material.

- Long storage time
- Low radiation background
- 100% polarization

→ Precision measurements



#### Magnetic Field Fluctuations Corrected by "Co-magnetometer"

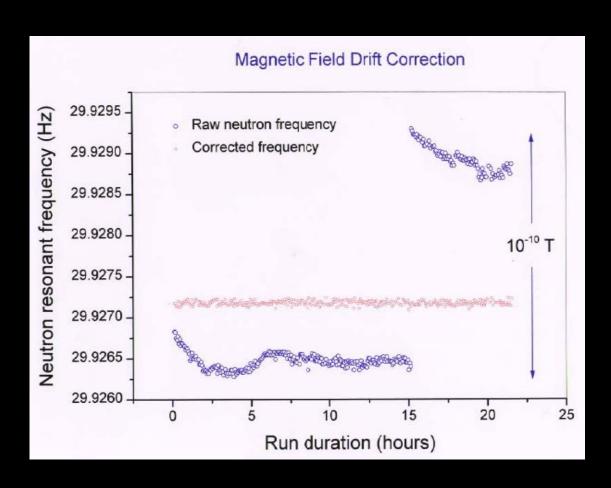
$$H = -\left(\mu \vec{B} + d_n \vec{E}\right) \cdot \frac{\vec{S}}{|S|}$$

If  $nEDM = 10^{-26} e \cdot cm$ ,

10kV/cm  $\rightarrow$  0.1  $\mu$ Hz shift

 $\cong$  B field of 2  $\times$  10 <sup>-15</sup> T.

"Co-magnetometer"
Uniformly samples the B Field faster than its relaxation time.



Data: ILL nEDM experiment with <sup>199</sup>Hg co-magnetometer

EDM of  $^{199}$ Hg <  $10^{-28}$  e-cm (measured); atomic EDM  $^{\sim}$   $\alpha^2$ Z $^2$   $\rightarrow$   $^3$ He EDM <<  $10^{-30}$  e-cm

Under gravity, the center of mass of He-3 is higher than UCN by  $\Delta h \approx 0.13$  cm, sets  $\Delta B = 30$  pGauss (1nA of leakage current).  $\Delta B/B=0.001$ .

<u>Neutron EDM Searches</u>

Experiment	UCN source	cell	Measurement techniques	σ <sub>d</sub> Goal (10 <sup>-28</sup> e-cm)
Present neutron EDM limit < 3			limit < 300	
ILL-PNPI	ILL turbine PNPI/Solid D <sub>2</sub>	Vac.	Ramsey technique for ω E=0 cell for magnetometer	Phase1<100 < 10
ILL Crystal	Cold n Beam	solid	Crystal Diffraction Non-Centrosymmetric crystal	< 100
PSI EDM	Solid D <sub>2</sub>	Vac.	Ramsey for $\omega$ , external Cs & Hg comag.	Phase 2 < 5
Munich FRMII	Solid D <sub>2</sub>	Vac.	Room Temp. , Hg Co-mag., also external 3He & Cs mag.	
RCNP/TRIUMF	Superfluid <sup>4</sup> He	Vac.	Small vol., Xe co-mag. @ RCNP Then move to TRIUMF  < 50 < 5	
SNS nEDM	Superfluid <sup>4</sup> He	<sup>4</sup> He	Cryo-HV, <sup>3</sup> He capture for ω, <sup>3</sup> He co-mag. with SQUIDS & dressed spins, supercond.	
JPARC	$\operatorname{Solid} \operatorname{D}_2$	Vac.	Under Development < 5	
JPARC	$\operatorname{Solid} \operatorname{D}_2$	Solid	Crystal Diffraction < 10? Non-Centrosymmetric crystal	
LANL	Solid D <sub>2</sub>	Vac.	R & D, Ramsey SOF, Hg co-mag. ~ 30	

= sensitivity  $< 5 \times 10^{-28} \text{ e-cm}$ 

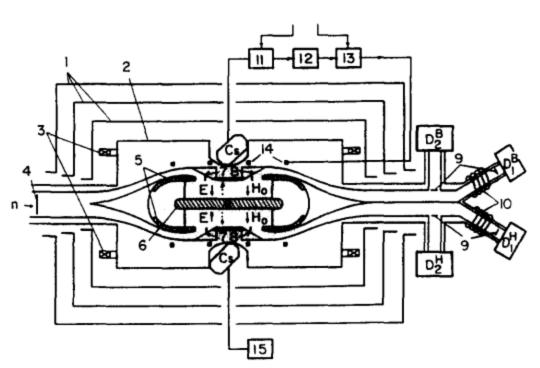
#### ILL Experiment:

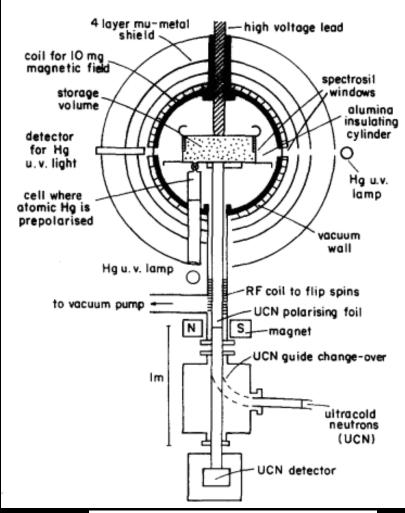
- UCN in storage cell (Be electrode, BeO dielectric cell wall) at room temperature
- Ramsey's separate oscillatory field method (interference in time domain)

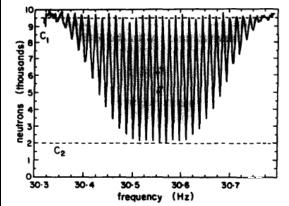
#### PNPI Experiment:

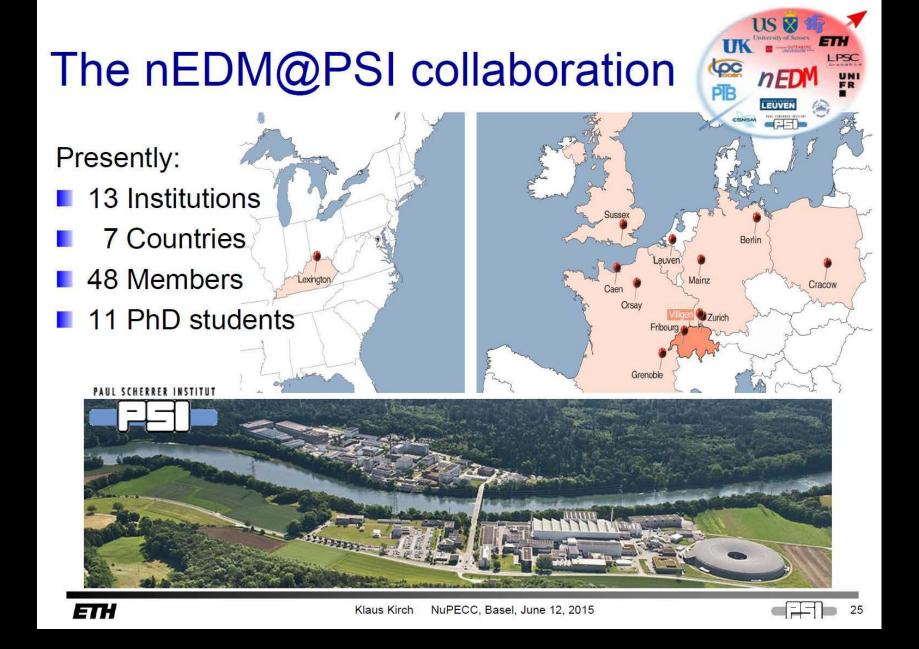
Double cell configuration

→ double the signal and reduce the sensitivity to common mode magnetic field noise



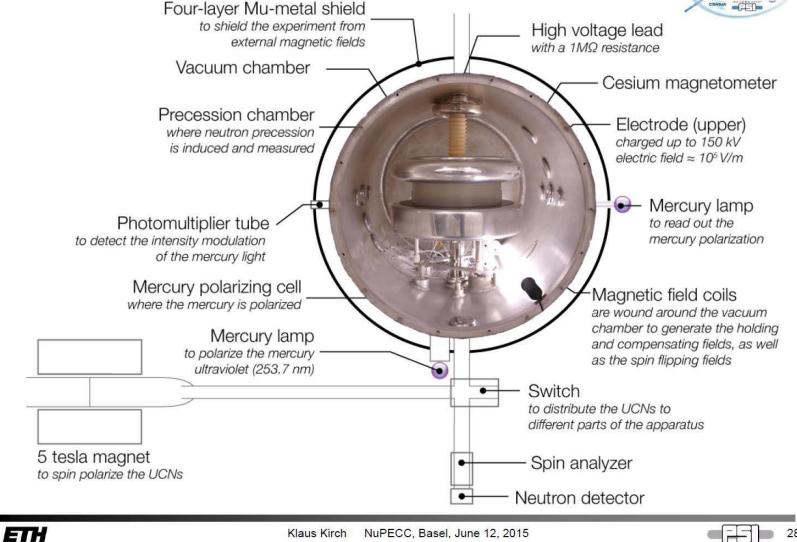




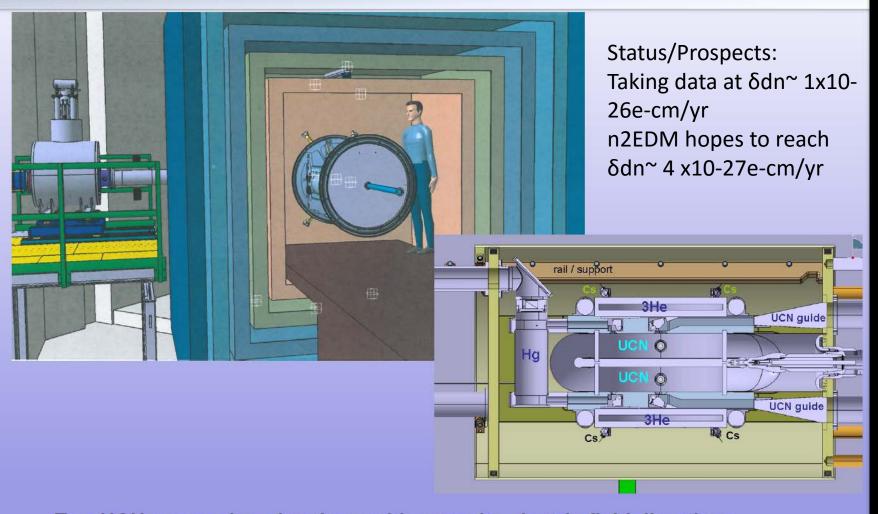


## The nEDM spectrometer





#### Towards n2EDM



- Two UCN precession chambers with opposite electric field directions
- Improved magnetometry Hg laser read out of Hg-FID to avoid light shift

Cs - vectorial

3He - free from geometrical phase shift



## Optimistic (but in principle possible) plan towards a physics result



Move Inner Shield to ILL (2016)

Adapt/build new UCN components, mobile Cs magnetometers No RF shield, only manual alignment control

Installation at new Super-SUN Stage 1 w/o magnet (2017+), no co-magnetometer Best possible results ~ 3.10<sup>-27</sup> ecm (stat, 1

EDM runs at Super-SUN Stage 2 with magnet (2019+)
Best possible result ~ 8.10<sup>-28</sup> ecm (stat, 1

Outer Shield at TUM

Outer magnetic shield External field compensation HV R&D and assembly

Magnetometer development
Magnetometer comparisons
Spin-clocks with polarized
noble gases
Component optimization

Development of cryogenic chambers



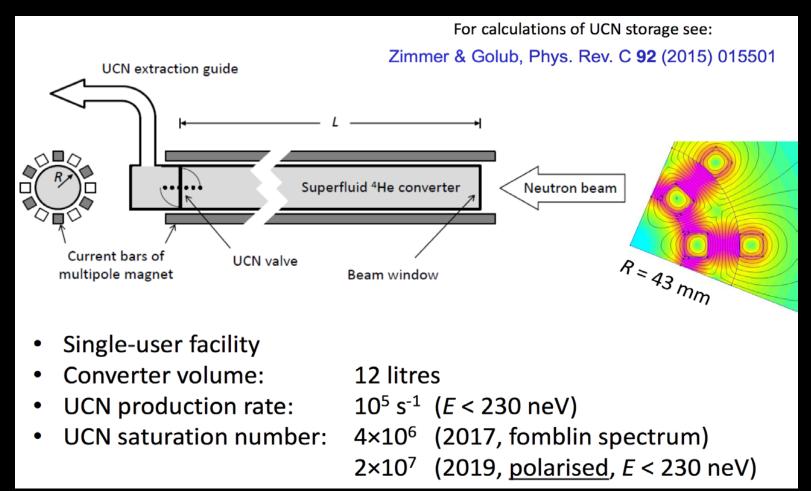
- (i) Assembly of Inner and Outer shield with RT chamber
- (ii) Cryogenic chambers with Inner Shield
- (iii) Cryogenic chambers with Outer and Inner Shield

(before ~ 2022 no UCN at FRM-II EDM position)

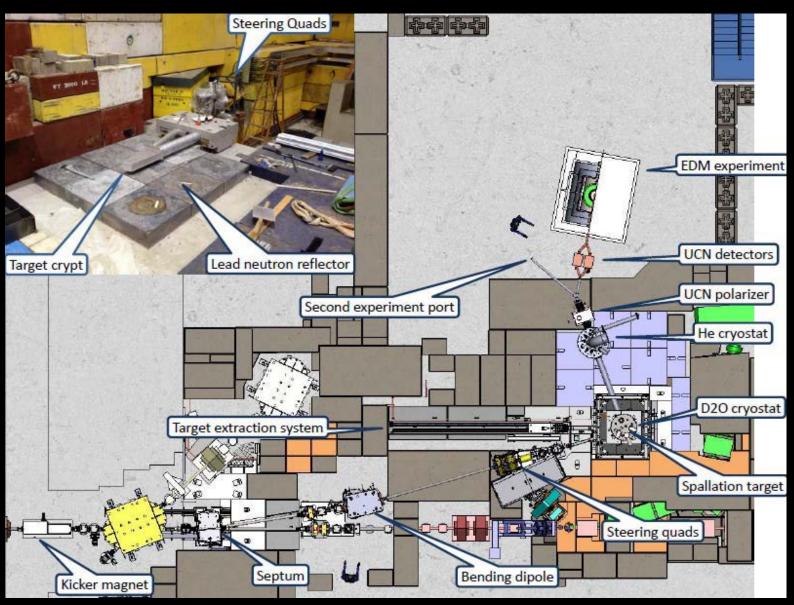
# Sensitivity potential of nEDM @ SuperSUN at ILLP

	SuperSun stage I		SuperSun stage II	
UCN density	333	1/cm3	1670	1/cm3
Diluted density	80	1/cm3	400,8	1/cm3
Transfer loss factor	3		1,5	
Source saturation loss factor	2		2	
Polarization loss factor	2		1	
Density in cells	6,7	1/cm3	133,6	1/cm3
2 EDM chamber volume	33,2	1	33,2	I .
Neutrons per chamber	110556		2217760	
EDM sensitivity				
E	2,00E+04	V/cm	2,00E+04	V/cm
alpha	0,85		0,85	
Т	250	S	250	S
N after time T (1/e)	398000		794000	
Number of EDM cells	2		2	
Sensitivity (1 Sigma, 1 cell)	3,9E-25	ecm	8,7E-26	ecm
Sensitivity (1 Sigma, 2 cells)	2,7E-25	ecm	6,1E-26	ecm
Preparation time	150	S	150	S
Measurements per day	216		216	
Sensitivity (1 Sigma, 2 cells) per day	1,9E-26	ecm	4,2E-27	ecm
Sensitivity 100 days	1,9E-27	ecm	4,2E-28	ecm
Limit 90% 100 days	3,00E-27	ecm	7,00E-28	ecm

## The nextversion: Super-SUN (funded+underconstruction @ ILL)



#### **TRIUMF UCN Facility**

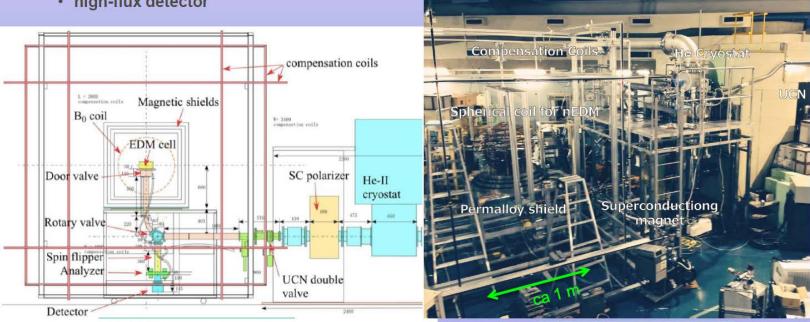


#### "Phase 1" – what will exist in 2017

- use existing EDM Ramsey apparatus from RCNP, Osaka
- exploit higher UCN density at TRIUMF (also more beamtime available)
- room temperature, 1 small cell, vertical loading, spherical B<sub>0</sub> coil
- small incremental improvements until replaced by Phase 2
  - Active magnetic compensation system
  - high voltage
  - comagnetometer

high-flux detector

Slide thanks to J. Martin

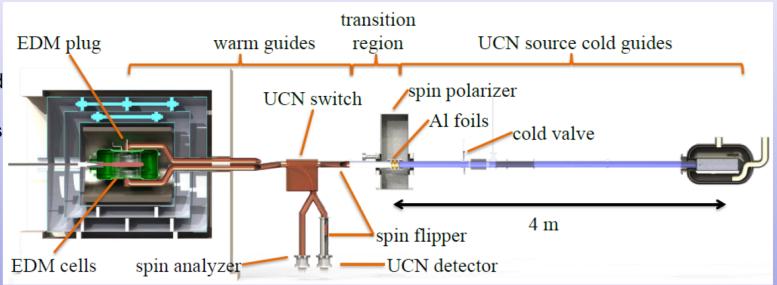


EDM Phase 1 schematic

EDM Phase 1 at RCNP

#### "Phase 2" – to implement by 2020

R&D on Hg and Xe comagnetometers is underway



Phase 2 sensitivity  $\delta d_n \sim 10^{-27}$ e-cm

- LD<sub>2</sub> moderator, to increase cold flux entering the superfluid
- New high-quality guides.
- World-competitive nEDM experiment apparatus

CFI Innovation Fund application in progress, in Canada. Scale \$16M.

### Concept for nEDM experiment at LANL

- A neutron EDM experiment with a sensitivity of  $\delta d_n \sim O(10^{-27})$  e-cm based on already proven room temperature Ramsey's separated oscillatory field method could take advantage of the existing LANL SD<sub>2</sub> UCN source
  - nEDM measurement technology for  $\delta d_n \sim O(10^{-27})$  e-cm exists. What is holding up the progress is the lack of UCN density.
  - The LANL UCN source currently provides a UCN density of ~ 60 UCN/cc at the exit of the biological shield
  - A 5-10 fold improvement in the delivered UCN density is required for an nEDM experiment with  $\delta d_n \sim O(10^{-27})$  e-cm
- Such an experiment could provide a venue for the US nEDM community to obtain physics results, albeit less sensitive, in a shorter time scale with much less cost while development for the SNS nEDM experiment continues.

## Expected achievable statistical sensitivity with the current LANL UCN source

#### without the upgrade

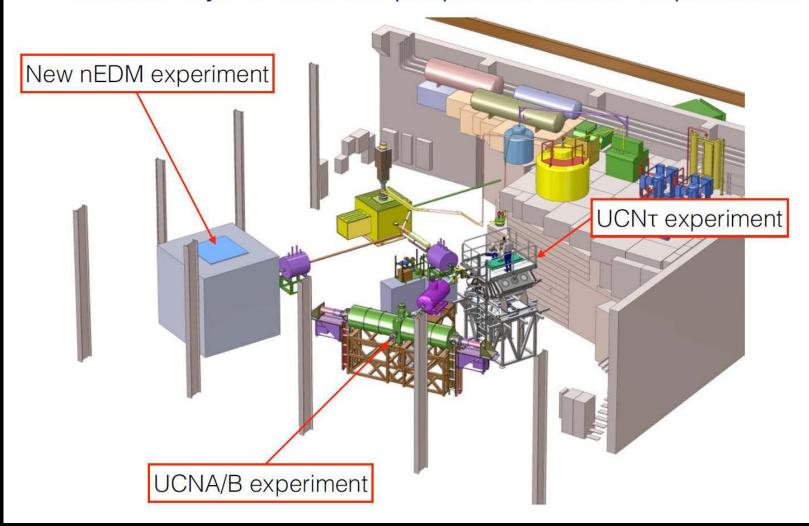
Parameters	Values
E (kV/cm)	12.0
N (per cell)	14,700
T <sub>free</sub> (s)	180
T <sub>duty</sub> (s)	300
α	0.80
σ/day/cell (10 <sup>-25</sup> e-cm)	0.93
σ/year/cell (10 <sup>-27</sup> e-cm)	4.8
σ/year* (10 <sup>-27</sup> e-cm) (for double cell)	3.4
90% C.L./year* (10 <sup>-27</sup> e-cm) (for double cell)	5.6

## This estimate is based on the following:

- The estimate for N is based on the results of the UCN storage test performed in January 2016 and is not assuming the source upgrade.
- The estimate for E, T<sub>free</sub>, T<sub>duty</sub>, and α
  is based on what has been achieved
  by other experiments.
- \* "year" = 365 live days. In practice it will take 3+ years to achieve this.
- Present August 2016: Installation of the new UCN source and guides
- September 2016-January 2017: Commissioning and operation of the new UCN source

Slide thanks to Takeyasu Ito

#### Area B layout with the proposed nEDM Experiment



## nEDM@SNS

Neutron electric-dipole moment, ultracold neutrons and polarized <sup>3</sup>He\*\*

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 $\sigma \propto \frac{1}{E\sqrt{N\tau}}$ 

\*\* "The Miracle of Helium"

#### Improve statistical precision by x100.

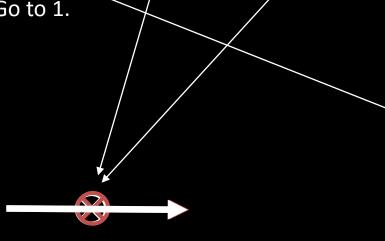
- <u>Increase E:</u> LHe permits very large electric fields;
   ~70 kV/cm in our measurement cell
- <u>Increase N:</u> LHe allows production of a high density of "ultracold" neutrons (UCN); "few 10<sup>2</sup> UCN/cc
- <u>Increase t:</u> With T < 0.5K UCN can be stored for ~ a thousand seconds

#### Additionally allows use of Helium-3 as a:

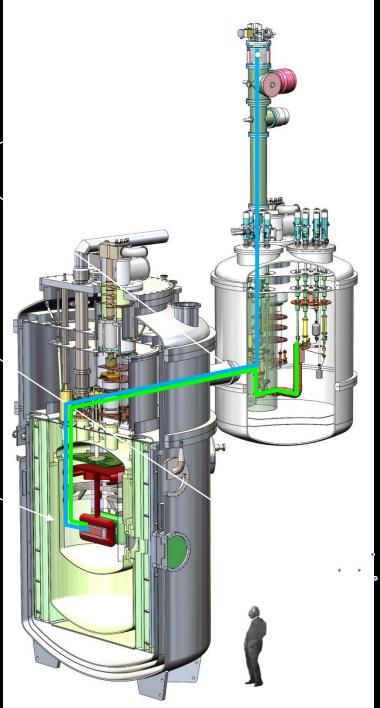
- Spin analyzer, providing continual measurement of the precession frequency
- <u>Co-magnetometer</u>, providing exquisite monitoring of the magnetic field

## nEDM@SNS Measurement Cycle

- 1. Load collection volume with polarized <sup>3</sup>He atoms
- 2. Transfer polarized <sup>3</sup>He atoms into measurement cell <
- 3. Illuminate measurement cell with polarized cold neutrons to produce polarized UCN <
- 4. Apply a  $\pi/2$  pulse to rotate spins perpendicular to  $B_0$
- 5. Measure precession frequency
- 6. Remove reduced polarization <sup>3</sup>He atoms from measurement cell
- 7. Flip E-field & Go to 1.









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# **UIUC Responsibilities**

#### Test bed:

- 1K pot pump system,
- <sup>3</sup>He circulation pump stack,
- Room-temperature vacuum plumbing,
- Gas service plumbing,
- Vibration-damping anchor block and wall,
- Cryostat outer vacuum can,
- Aluminum personnel support frame,
- Vacuum can (and shield) lift mechanism.
- <sup>3</sup>He gas panel

#### Cryostat:

- Top flange
- Insulating vacuum pump system
- Heat shields (on order)
- Slow Controls: National Instruments "cDAQ" front end
  - Windows based
  - Autonomous
  - Data logged to "network shared variable" mechanism to server
  - Compatible with EPICS
- 500 I Helium Dewar
  - Tried "value engineering" (old Dewar from ORNL/U. Mich) no.

nEDM TRC Review, September 1-2, 2015

New standard Dewar on order.

















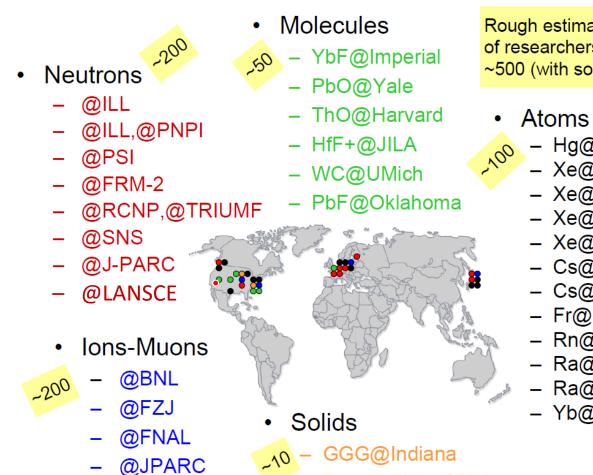




Look at me!
Look at me!
Look at me NOW!
It is fun to have fun
but you have to know how.

I can hold up the cup and the milk and the cake! I can hold up these books! and the fish on a rake! I can hold the toy ship and a little toy man! And look! With my tail I can hold a red fan! I can fan with the fan As I hop on the ball! but that is not all. Oh, no That is not all...

# **EDMs Worldwide**



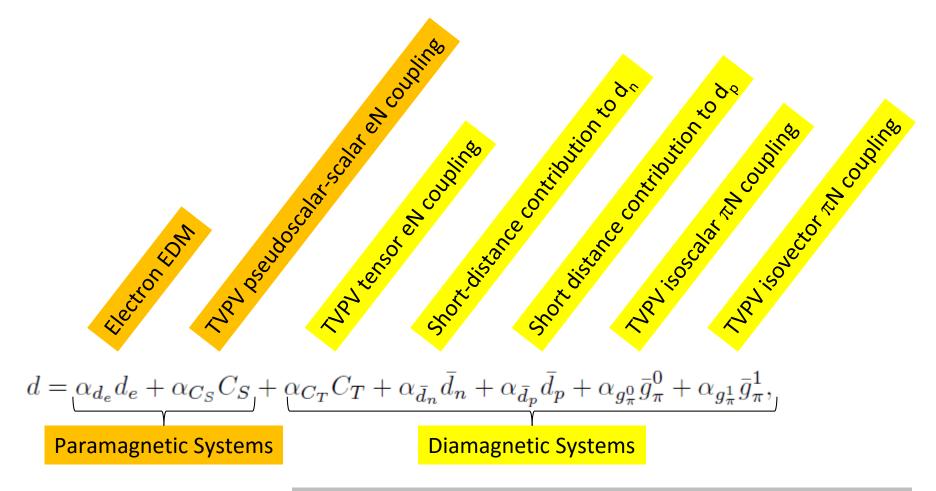
Rough estimate of numbers of researchers, in total ~500 (with some overlap)

- Hg@UWash
- Xe@Princeton
- Xe@TokyoTech
- Xe@TUM
- Xe@Mainz
- Cs@Penn
- Cs@Texas
- Fr@RCNP/CYRIC
- Rn@TRIUMF
- Ra@ANL
- Ra@KVI
- Yb@Kyoto

ferroelectrics@Yale

K. Kirch, Proceedings CIPANP 2012

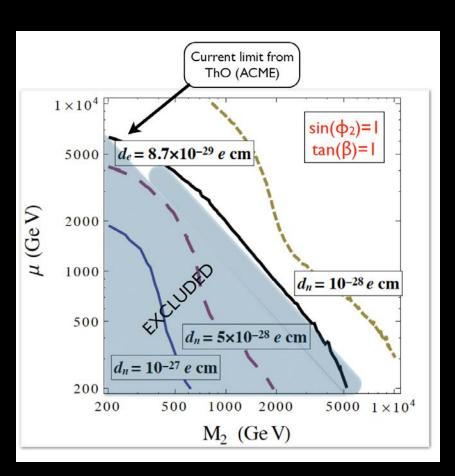
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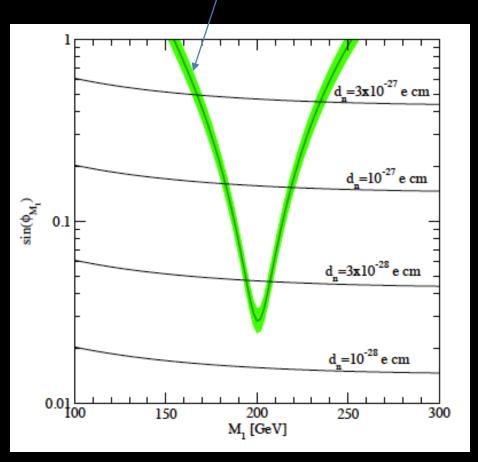


T. Chupp, M. Ramsey-Musolf, Phys. Rev. C91 035502 (2015)

# **EDMs in SUSY**

#### Compatible with baryon asymmetry

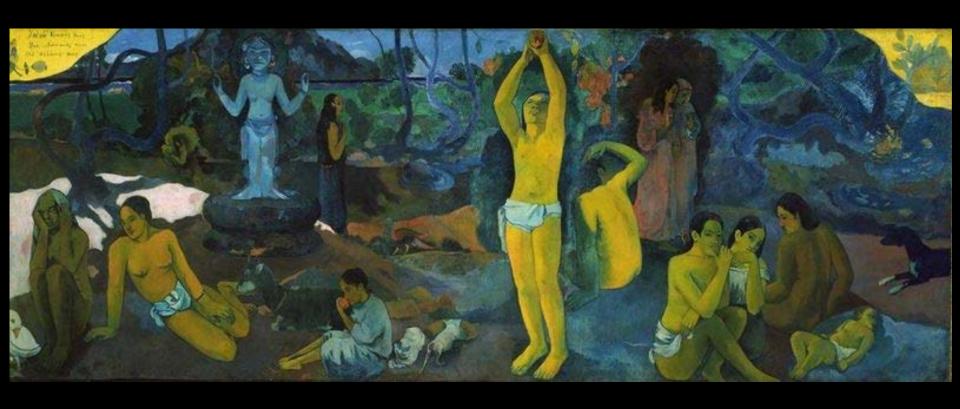




Bhattacharya, VC, Gupta, Lin, Yoon Phys. Rev. Lett. 115 (2015) 212002 [1506.04196]

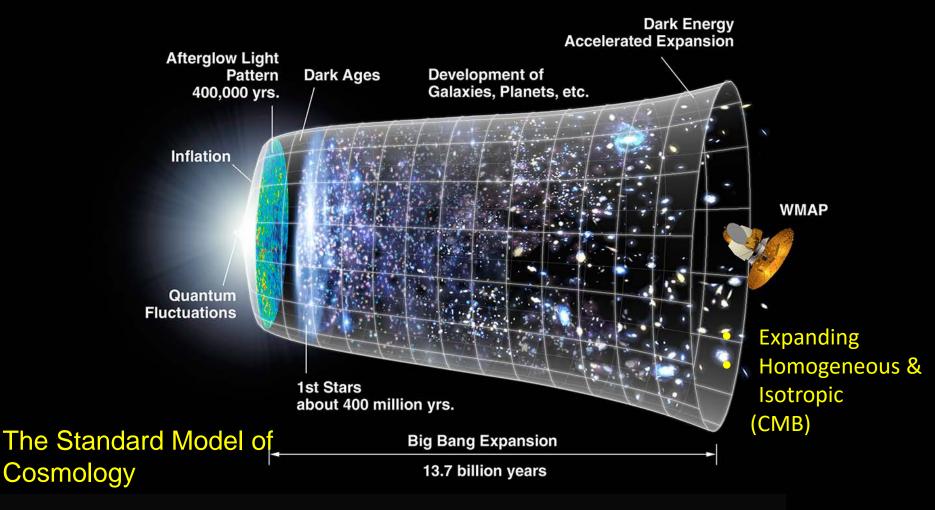
Li, Profumo, Ramsey-Musolf 2009-10

## Where Do We Come From? What Are We? Where Are We Going?

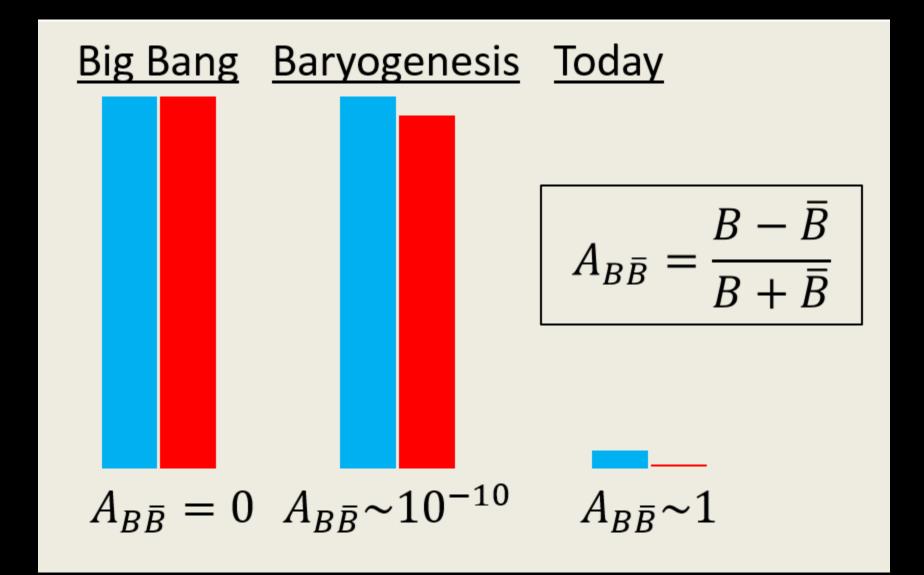


Paul Gauguin, 1897

## Where Do We Come From? What Are We? Where Are We Going



- The start: Big Bang Explosion
- The stage: Inflation
- Ingredients: Baryogenesis
- Cooking: Big Bang Nucleosynthesis (BBN); Stellar Nucleosynthesis



# **Baryogenesis** created more matter than anti-matter

## Sakharov's criteria

A.D. Sakharov, JETP 5 24 (1967).

Baryon number violation

$$\phi \to B; \phi \to \overline{B}$$
  $\Delta B \neq 0$ 

CP violation and C violation

$$R(\phi \to B) > R(\phi \to \overline{B})$$

**EDM** 

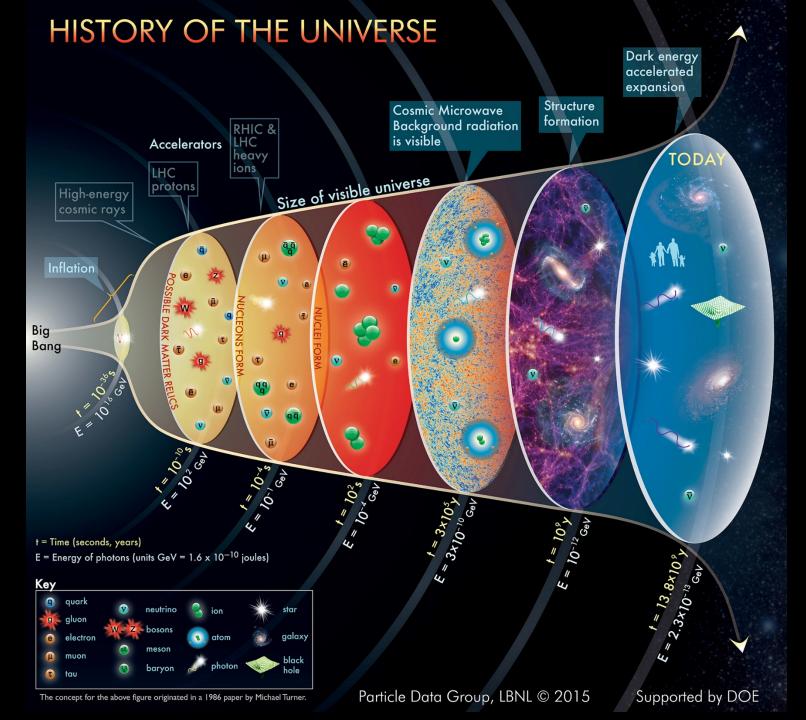
Departure from thermal equilibrium

$$R(\phi \rightarrow B) > R(B \rightarrow \phi)$$

#### left-handed particle

under C → left-handed antiparticle

then P → right-handed antiparticle



# Backup Slides

## Experiment uses <sup>3</sup>He as detector

R. Golub and S. K. Lamoreaux, Phys. Rep. 237 (1994) 1

- UCN too dilute to detect with magnetometer (SQUID)
- Inject small concentration (~ 10<sup>-11</sup>) of polarized <sup>3</sup>He
- Look for reaction:  $n + {}^{3}He \rightarrow t + p + 764 \text{ keV}$ 
  - t, p scintillate in <sup>4</sup>He
  - Pipe through light guides and detect with PMT
- n +  ${}^{3}$ He  $\rightarrow$  t + p:

 $\sigma$  (<sup>3</sup>He, n:  $\uparrow \downarrow$  singlet) ~  $10^7$  b

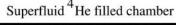
 $\sigma$  (<sup>3</sup>He, n:  $\uparrow \uparrow$  triplet) < 10<sup>4</sup> b

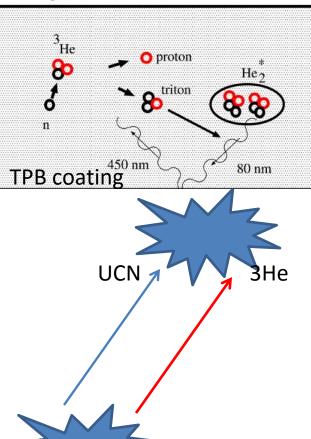
•  $\mu_{He}/\mu_{n} = 1.11$ 

<sup>3</sup>He spins will rotate ahead of n spins in same B

Scintillation light according to  $\Phi = \Phi_0 \sin(\omega_{He} - \omega_n) t \sim 1 - P_n P_3 \cos(\omega_{He} - \omega_n) t$ 

• Independent monitor of <sup>3</sup>He spins with SQUIDs





## **Other Systematic Effects**

#### Geometric Phase

In a rotating frame

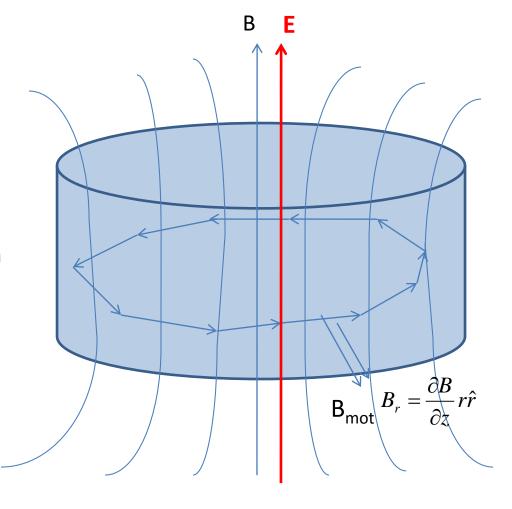
$$\delta\omega = -\frac{\omega_1^2}{\gamma B_0 - \omega_r}$$

UCN rotates due to specular reflection

$$\omega_r \approx \frac{v}{R}$$

$$\omega_1 = \gamma \left( B_{mot} + B_r \right)$$

$$\frac{\delta \omega}{\gamma^2} = -\frac{B_m B_r}{\omega_o - \omega_r} = -\frac{B_r v E}{c \left(\omega_o - v/R\right)}$$



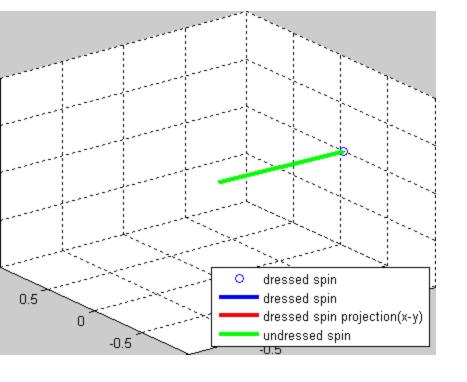
Sum UCNs moving in both clockwise & counterclockwise directions:

$$\delta\omega = -\frac{\gamma^2}{2} \frac{(\partial B_o/\partial z) E}{c} \frac{v^2}{\omega_o^2 - \omega_r^2}$$

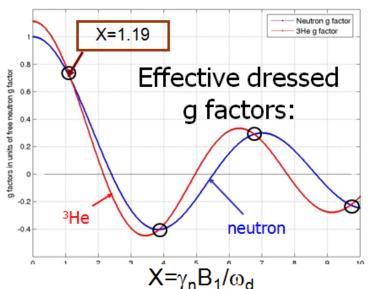
Geometric Phase effect is significant at the level of  $10^{-28}$  e·cm.

## **Dressed Spin Magnetometry**

The magnetic moment of 3He can be altered through "spin dressing" with applied RF:



$$\gamma' = \gamma J_0(\gamma B_{RF}/\omega_{RF}) = \gamma J_0(x)$$



The difference in the precession frequency between neutron and 3He:

$$\delta\omega = \left[\gamma_n J_0(\gamma_n x) - \gamma_3 J_0(\gamma_3 x)\right]$$
  
= 0 with appropriate x

1kHz, 100 mG RF field

All systematic effects and noises associated with the external magnetic field disappear!

EDM observable:

$$\delta\omega = 2d_n E J_0(\gamma_n x)$$

modulate X to look for  $X_c$  which leads to  $\delta\omega$ =0