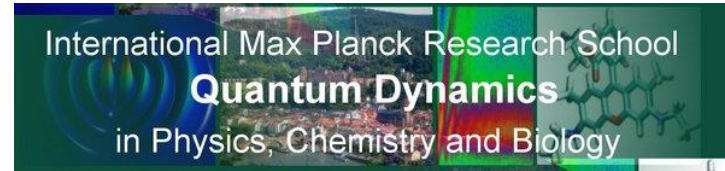




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High-Precision Measurement of the Deuteron's Atomic Mass

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TRAP



What is LIONTRAP?



- acronym for **L**ight **I**ON **T**RAP
- purpose-built high precision Penning-trap mass spectrometer for light ions, located in Mainz, follow up from Mainz g -factor experiment for highly charged ions (electron mass, strong field BS-QED Tests)
- first successful measurement campaign on proton mass with $\delta m/m = 32$ ppt (parts per trillion, 10^{-12})
(*F. Heiße et al. PRL 119, 033001, 2017*)

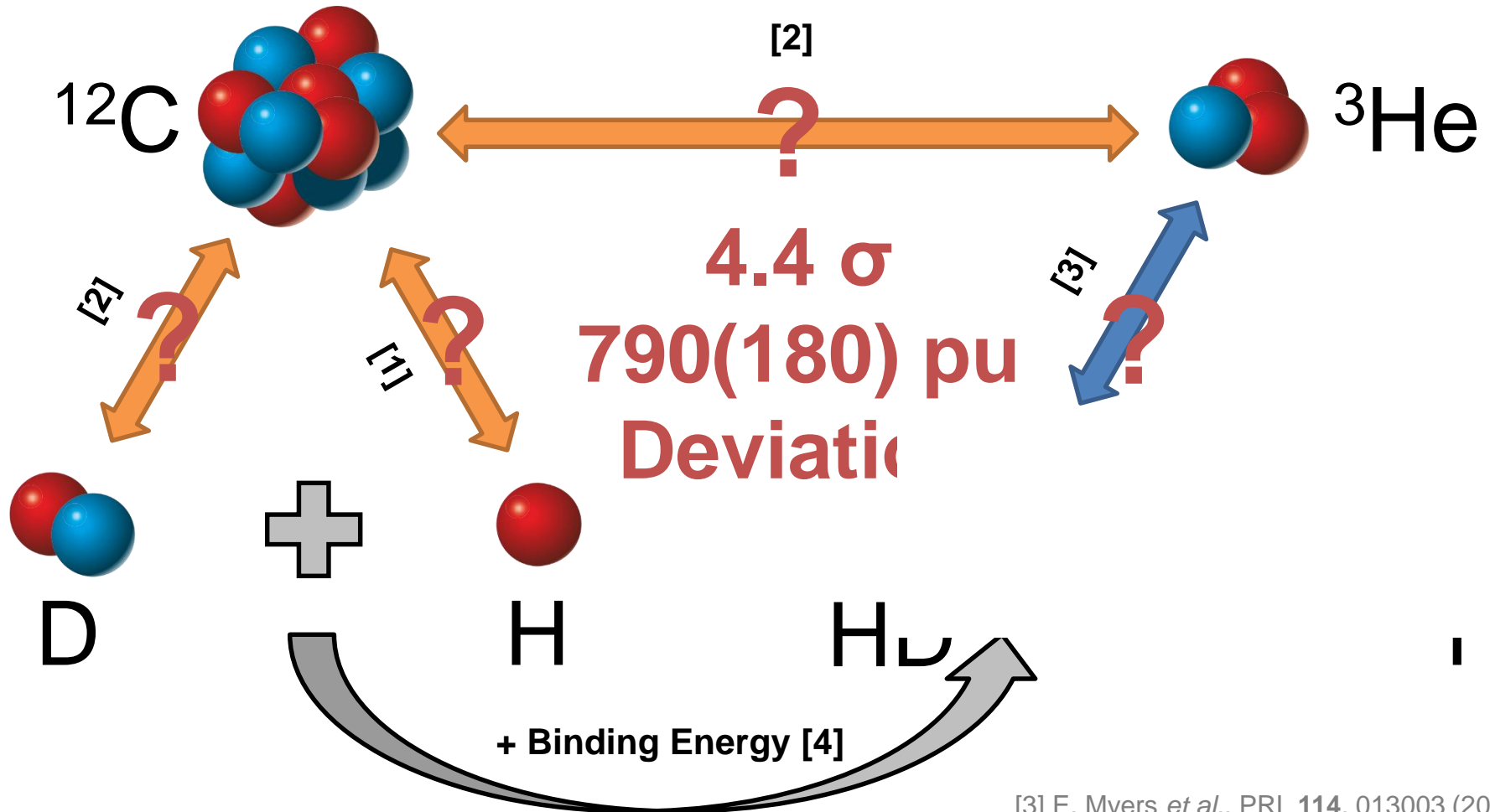
Why are mass measurements on light ions important?

- relevant for precision spectroscopy (m_p/m_e), tests of special relativity (m_d), KATRIN ($m_{3\text{He}} - m_t$)
- inconsistency in literature calls for independent values
- difficult because of relatively small signals, high relativistic shifts

Puzzle of Light Atomic Masses

R.S. Van Dyck *et al.* @ UW

E. Myers *et al.* @ FSU



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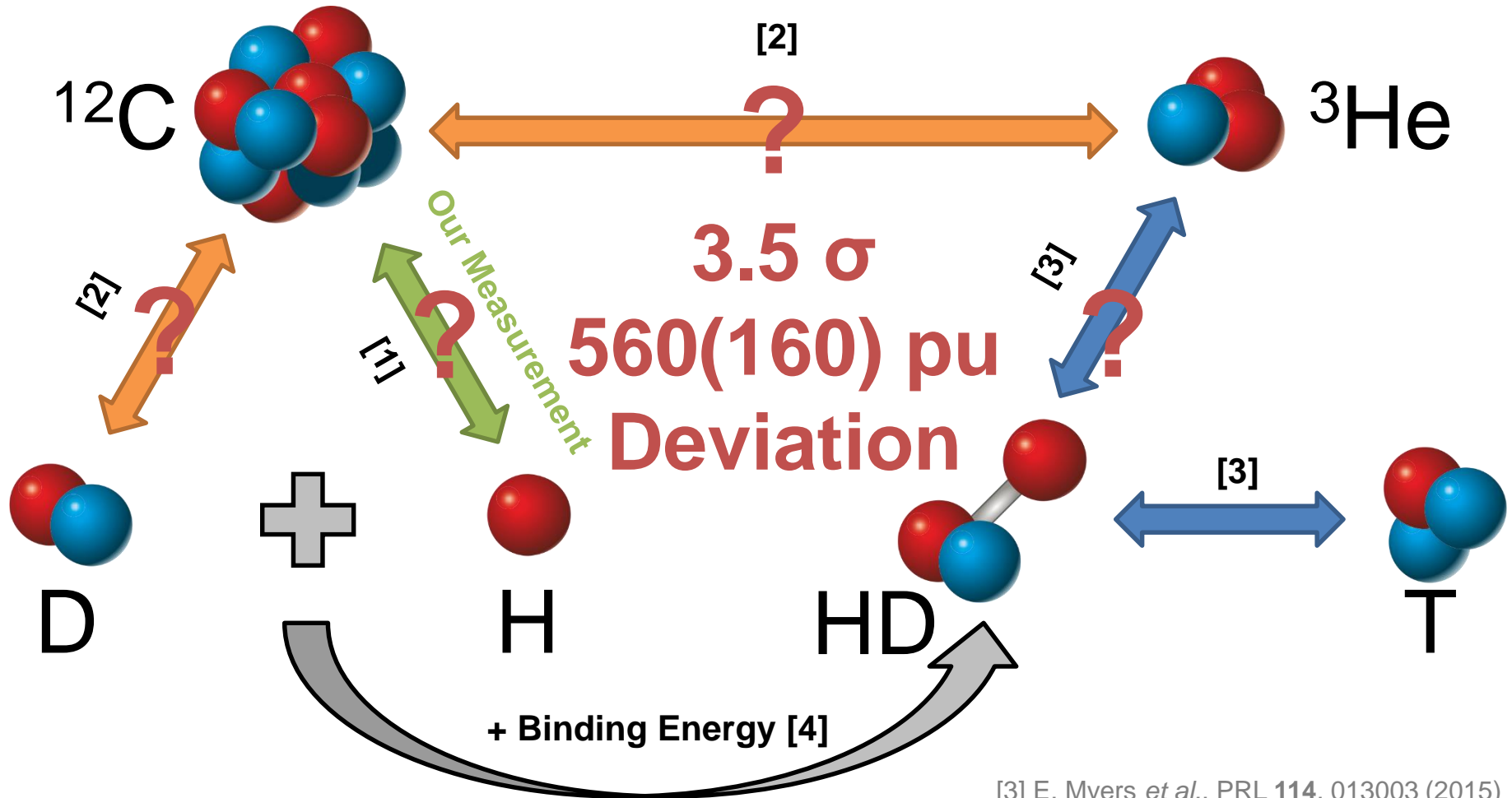
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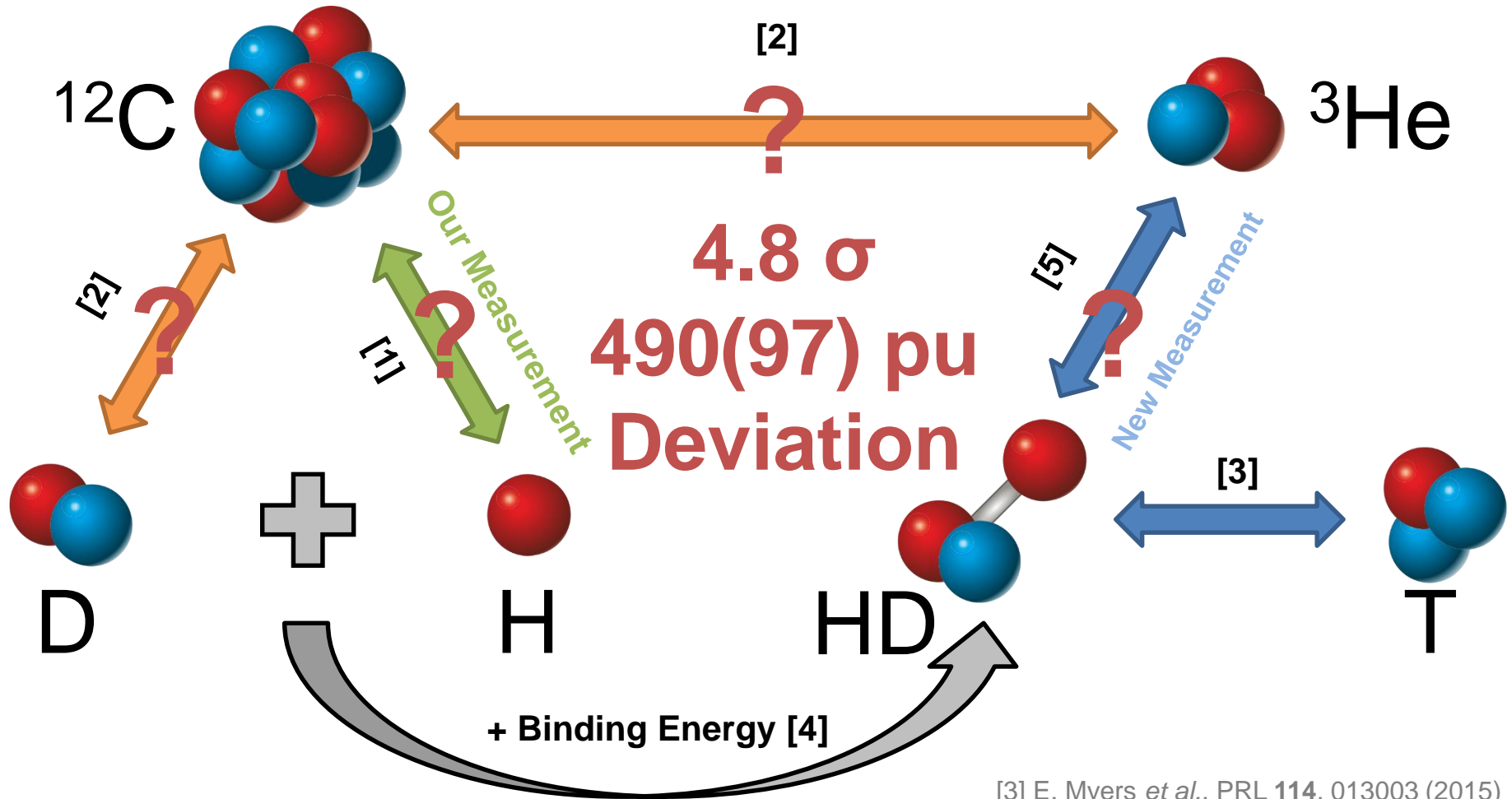
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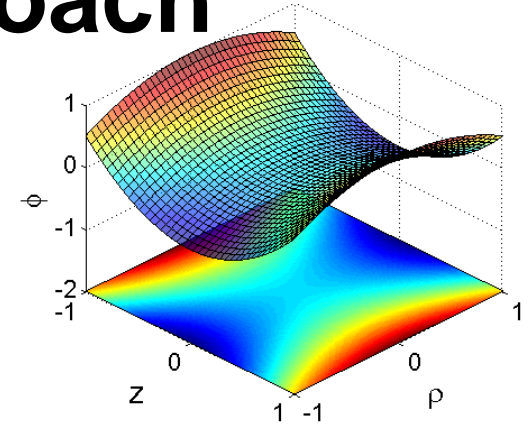


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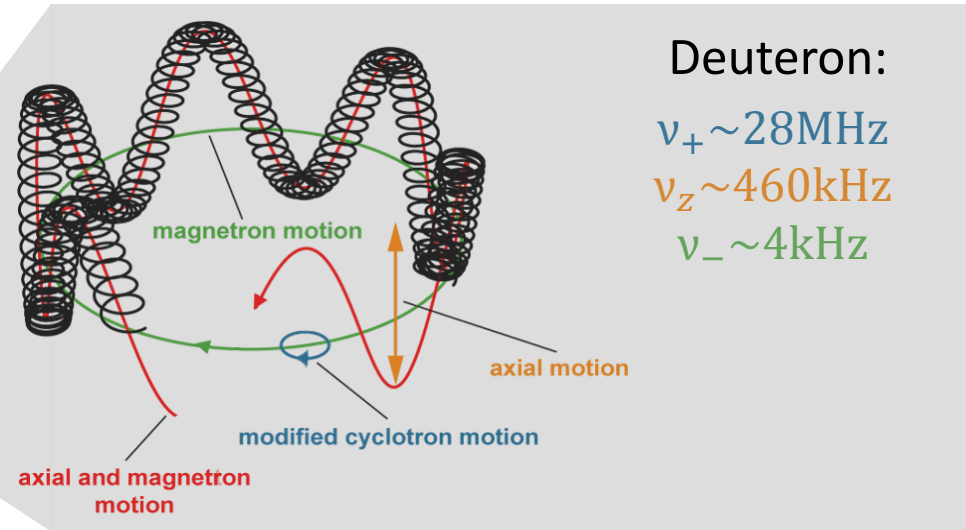
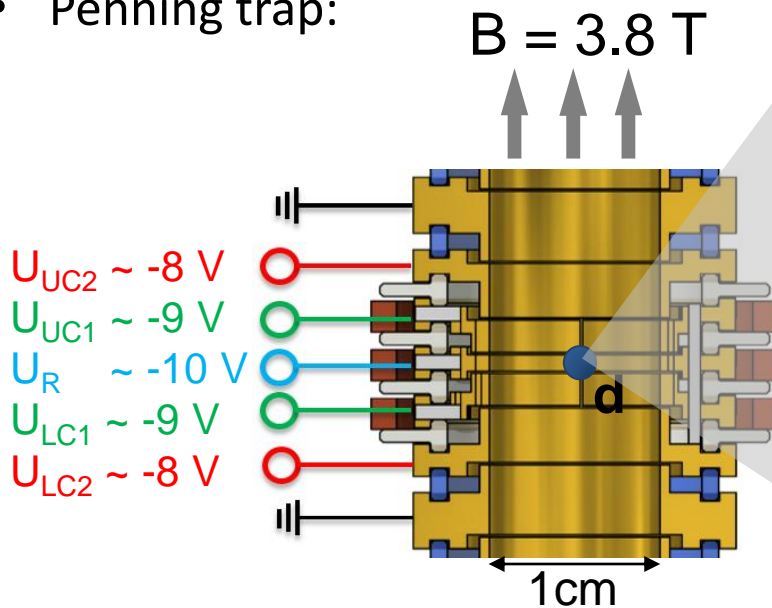
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Experimental Approach

- measurement of cyclotron frequency: $\nu_c = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{q}{m} B$
 - homogenous static magnetic field
 - electrostatic quadrupole potential for trapping



- Penning trap:



- cyclotron frequency via invariance theorem [1]:

$$\nu_c = \sqrt{\nu_+^2 + \nu_z^2 + \nu_-^2} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{q}{m} B$$

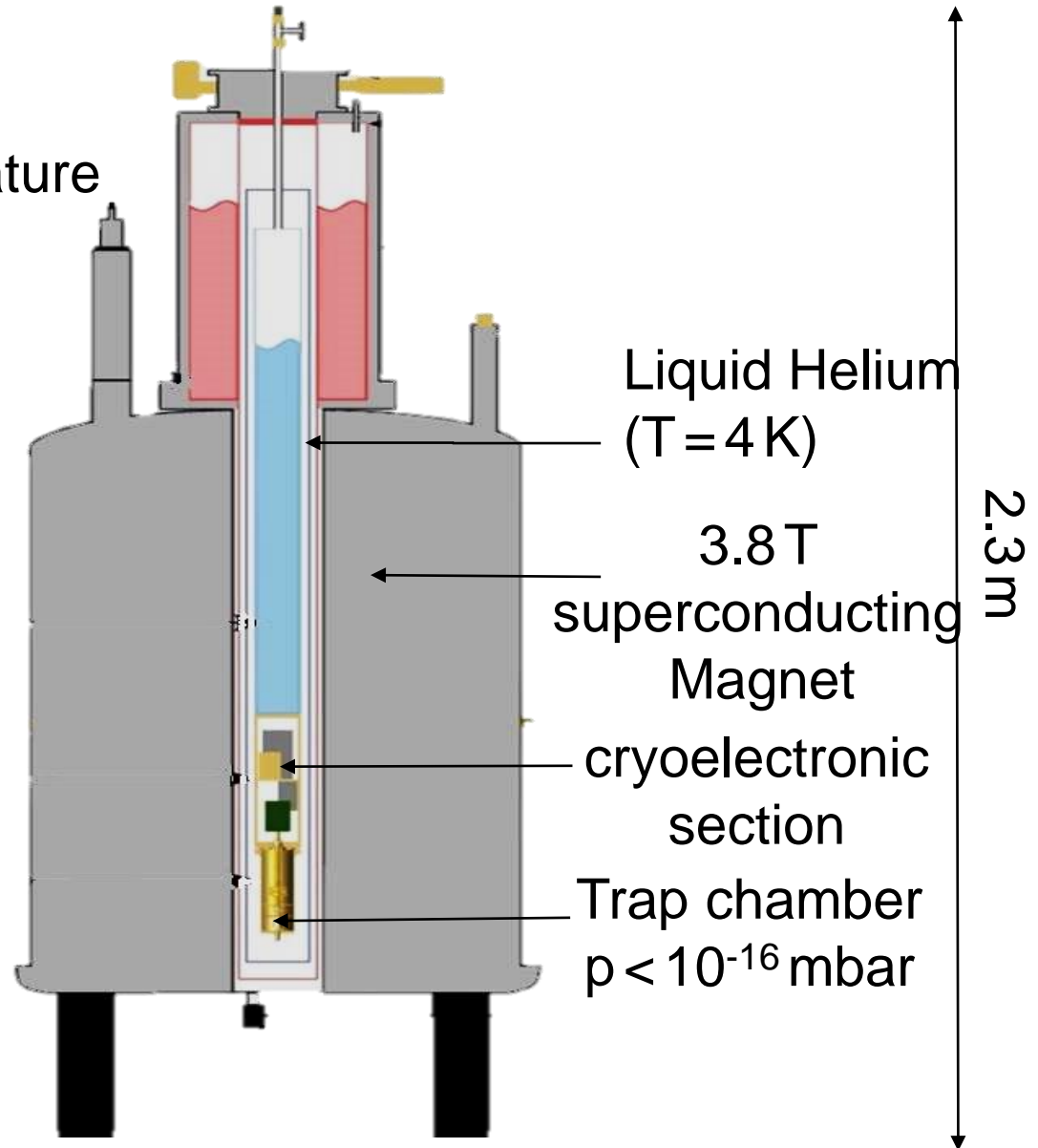
$$B = \frac{2\pi m}{q(^{12}\text{C})} \nu_c(^{12}\text{C})$$

[1] L.S. Brown & G. Gabrielse, PRA 25, 2423 (1982)



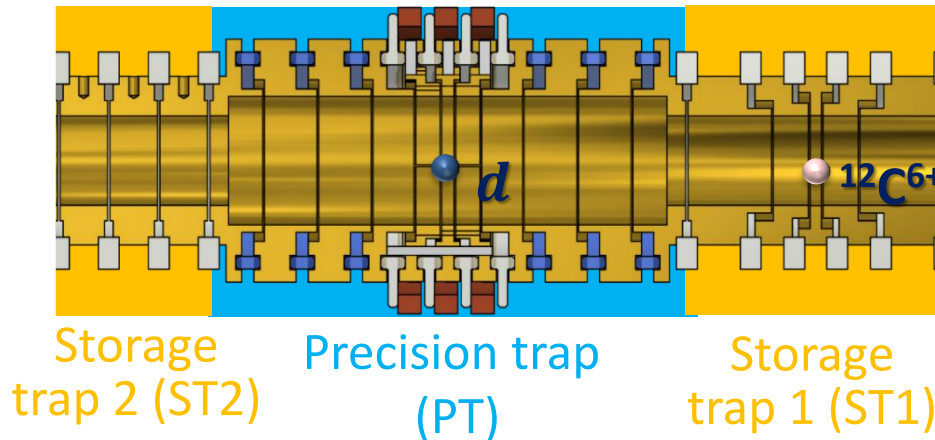
Setup

- offline Experiment
- liquid Helium temperature
- hermetically sealed trap chamber
- in situ ion creation using miniature EBIT/S



Measurement Procedure

$$m_d = \frac{1}{6} \frac{v_c(^{12}\text{C}^{6+})}{v_c(d)} m(^{12}\text{C}^{6+})$$



both ions at the same time within the trap chamber

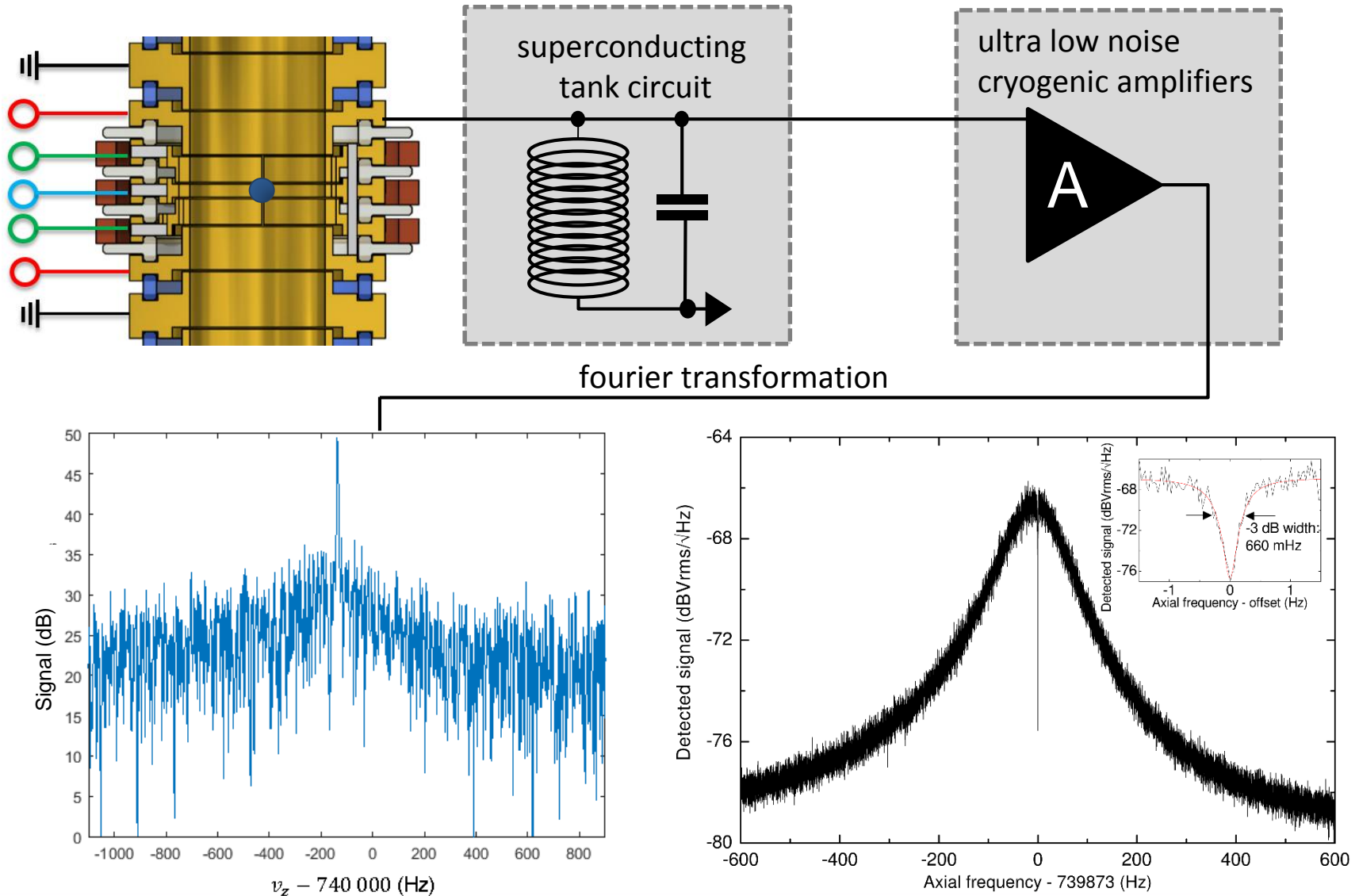
$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{(I) } v_c(d) \text{ in PT} \\ \text{(II) } v_c(^{12}\text{C}^{6+}) \text{ in PT} \end{array} \right\} R \equiv \frac{v_c(^{12}\text{C}^{6+})}{v_c(d)}$$

time between v_+ measurements optimized

→ reduction of impact of magnetic field fluctuations compared to former measurements

Eigenfrequency Detection

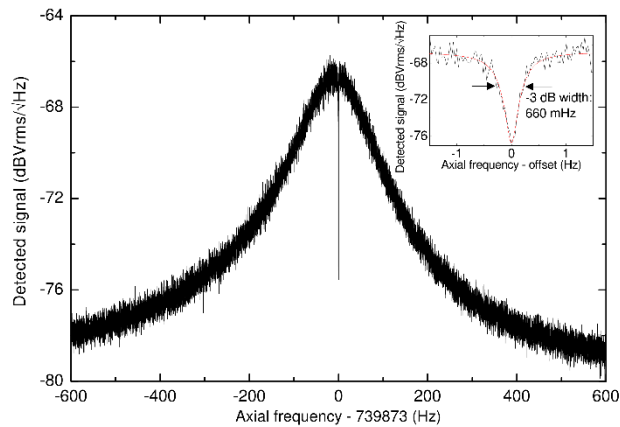
- measurement of induced image currents (\sim fA) on trap electrodes



Eigenfrequency Measurement Techniques

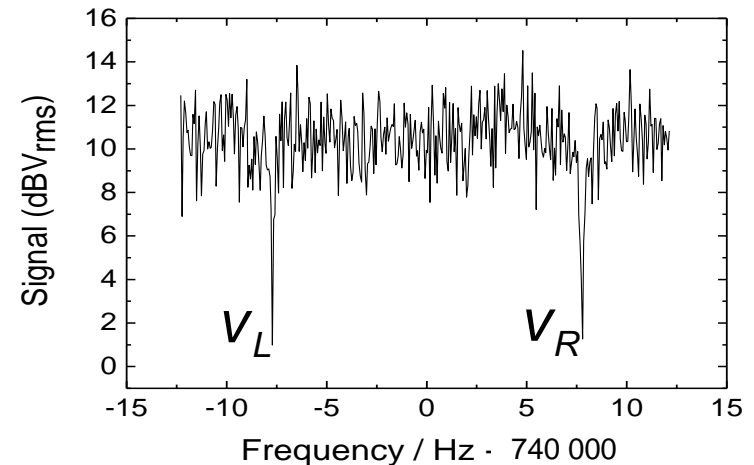
1. Dip Signal

v_z of thermalized ion ($T_z=4.5$ K)
measured as narrow “dip”



2. Double-Dip Signal:

v_+ , v_- coupled to axial motion
via rf-sideband coupling



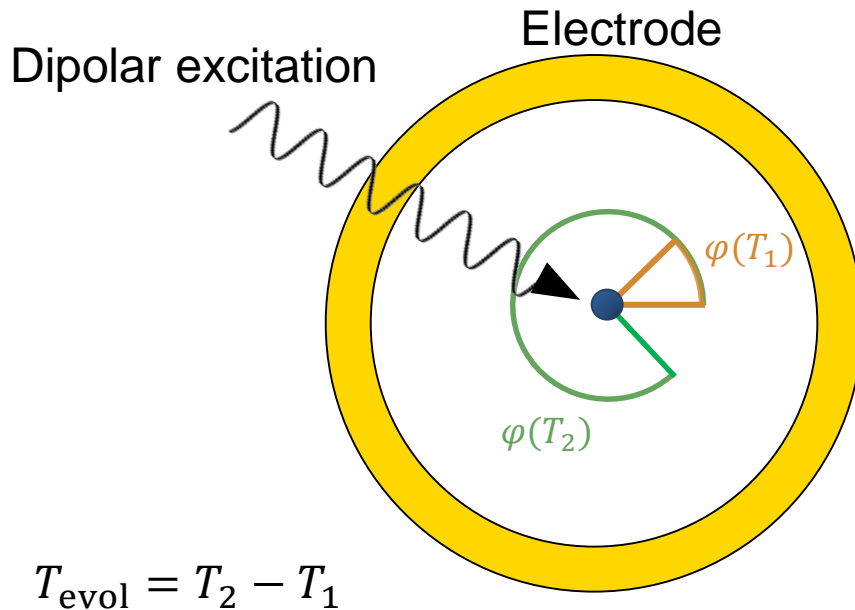
$$v_+ = v_{rf} - v_z + v_L + v_R \quad v_- = v_{rf} + v_z - v_L - v_R$$

Advantages: - Thermal equilibrium during measurement
→ Small energy dependent systematic shifts

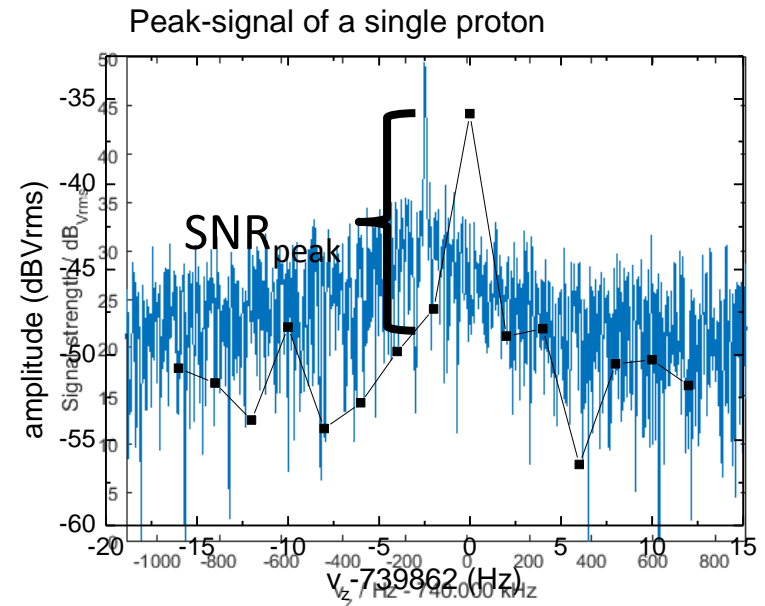
Disadvantages: - $\frac{\delta u_n}{u_n} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{t_m}}$ → “slow” (3 min) → impact of field fluctuations
- Lineshape dependent

Phase-Sensitive Detection Method

A phase sensitive measurement scheme allows **coherent detection**.
The complex Fourier spectrum provides besides the peak position in the Fourier spectrum also the instantaneous phase of the ion.



$$\nu = \frac{\varphi(T_2) - \varphi(T_1)}{360^\circ \cdot T_{evol}}$$



Advantages:

- linear scaling with Measurement Time
- no lineshape model needed

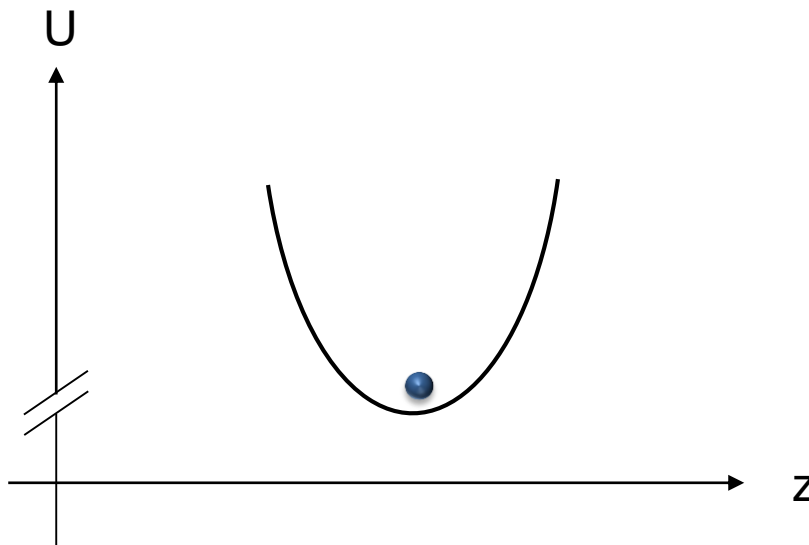
$$\frac{\delta \nu}{\nu} = \frac{\delta \varphi}{360^\circ \cdot \nu \cdot T_{evol}}, \quad \delta \varphi \triangleq \text{phase jitter}$$

A New Ultra-Harmonic Trap

Ideal world:

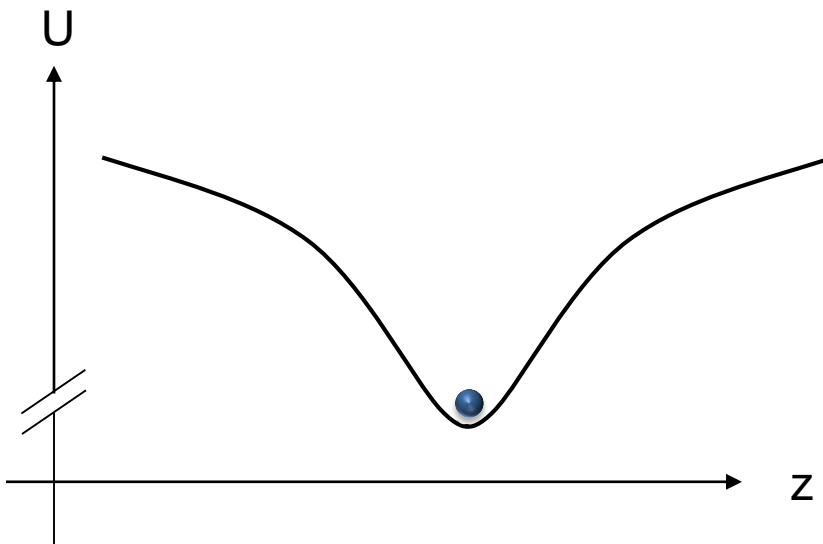
$$U(z) = \frac{1}{2} U_r \left(C_0 + C_2 \frac{z^2}{d_{char}^2} \right)$$

→ v_z independent of energy!



Real world:

→ v_z depends on energy!



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Real world:

$$U(z) = \frac{1}{2} U_r \left(C_0 + C_2 \frac{z^2}{d_{char}^2} + \cancel{C_4 \frac{z^4}{d_{char}^4}} + \cancel{C_6 \frac{z^6}{d_{char}^6}} + C_8 \frac{z^8}{d_{char}^8} + C_{10} \frac{z^{10}}{d_{char}^{10}} + \dots \right) = \frac{1}{2} U_r \sum_{i=0,2,\dots}^{\infty} C_i \frac{z^i}{d_{char}^i}$$

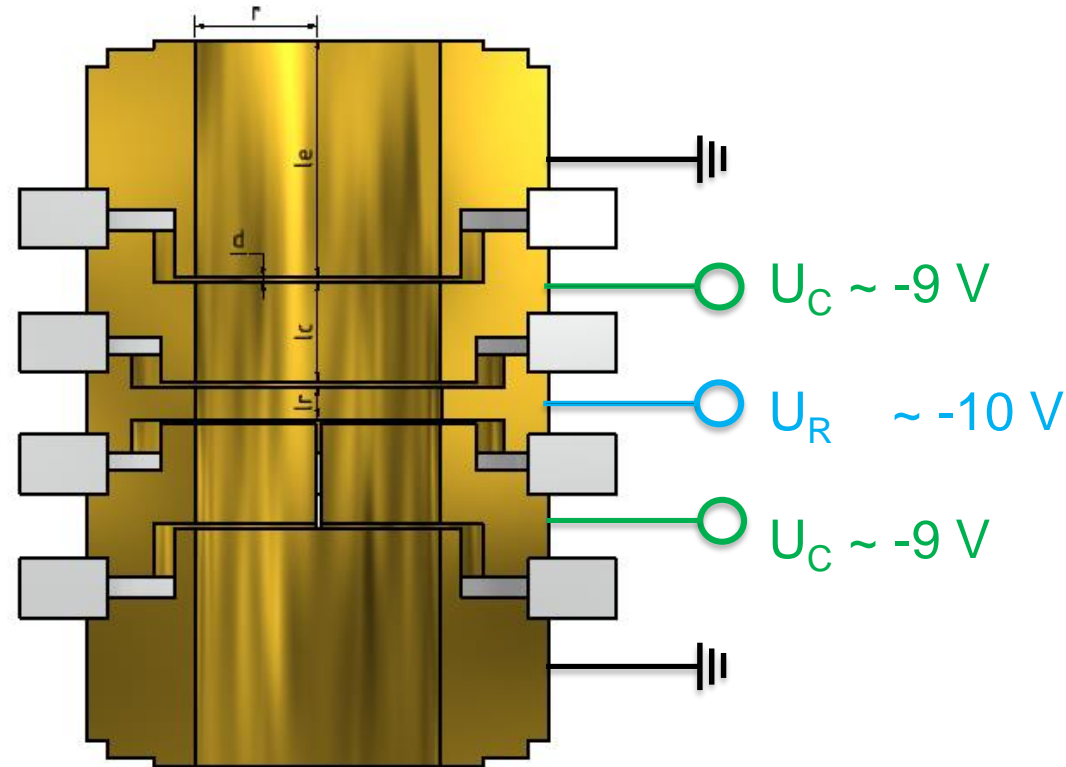
So far:

Use one pair of correction electrodes

Degrees of freedom: L_R , L_C , U_C

Optimized parameters:

$$C_4 = C_6 = 0 \text{ (compensated)}$$



A New Ultra-Harmonic Trap

Real world:

$$U(z) = \frac{1}{2} U_r \left(C_0 + C_2 \frac{z^2}{d_{char}^2} + \cancel{C_4 \frac{z^4}{d_{char}^4}} + \cancel{C_6 \frac{z^6}{d_{char}^6}} + \cancel{C_8 \frac{z^8}{d_{char}^8}} + \cancel{C_{10} \frac{z^{10}}{d_{char}^{10}}} + \dots \right) = \frac{1}{2} U_r \sum_{i=0,2,\dots}^{\infty} C_i \frac{z^i}{d_{char}^i}$$

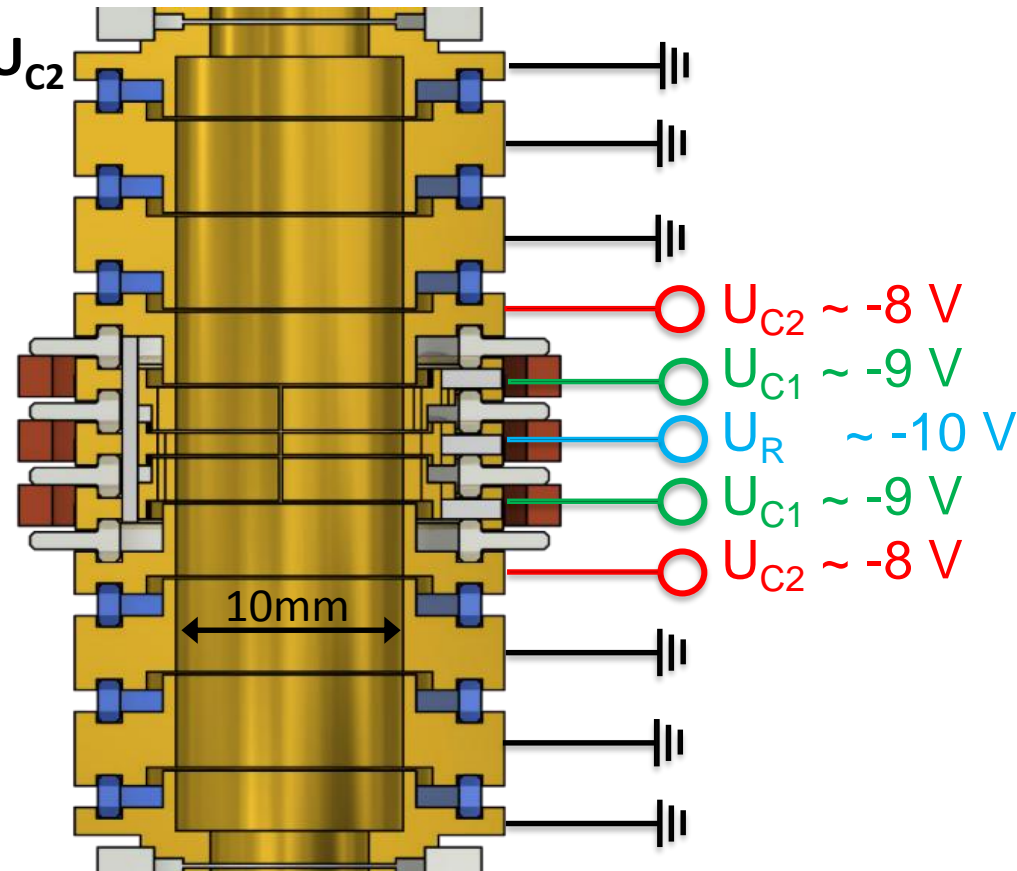
New trap (additional pair of correction electrodes)

Degrees of freedom: $L_R, L_{C1}, U_{C1}, L_{C2}, U_{C2}$

Optimized parameters:

$$C_4 = C_6 = C_8 = C_{10} = 0$$

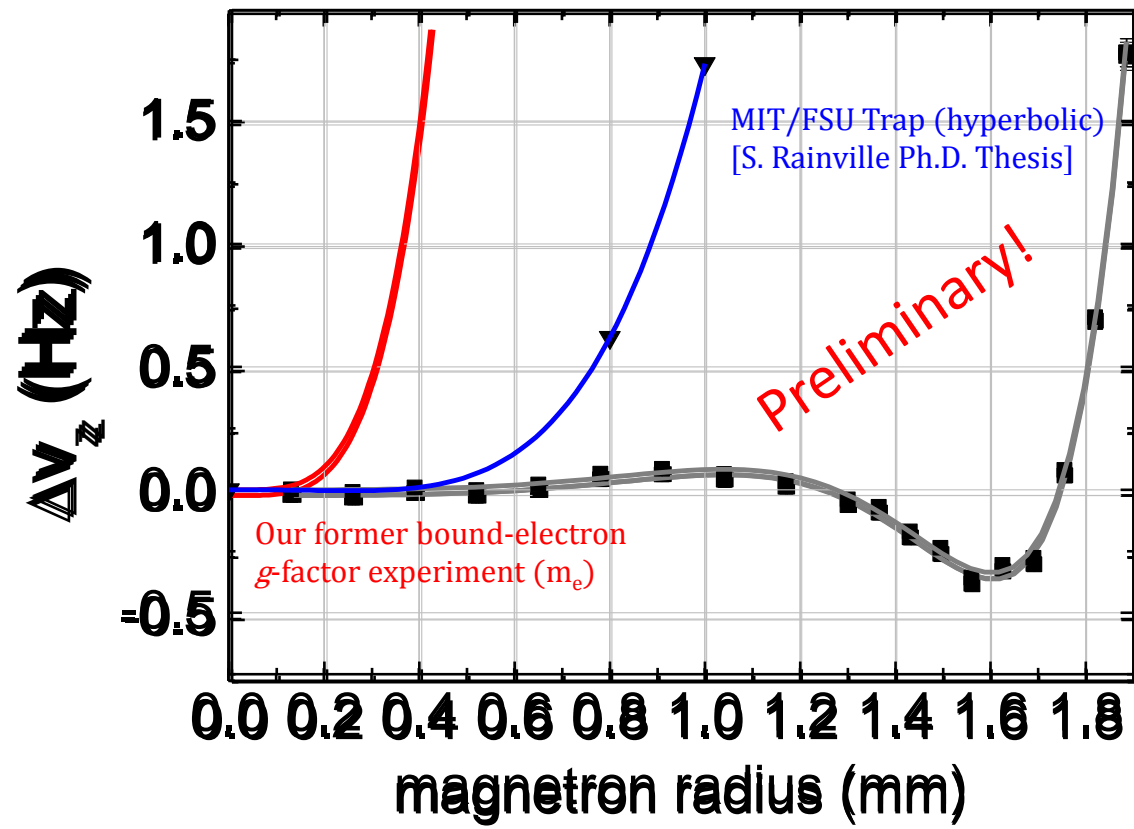
(doubly compensated)



A New Ultra-Harmonic Trap - Performance

Study shifts of axial freq. due to magnetron bursts:

$$\frac{\Delta\nu_z}{\nu_z} = -\frac{3}{2} \frac{C_4}{d_{char}^2 C_2} r_-^2 + \frac{15}{8} \frac{C_6}{d_{char}^4 C_2} r_-^4 - \frac{35}{8} \frac{C_8}{d_{char}^6 C_2} r_-^6 + \dots$$

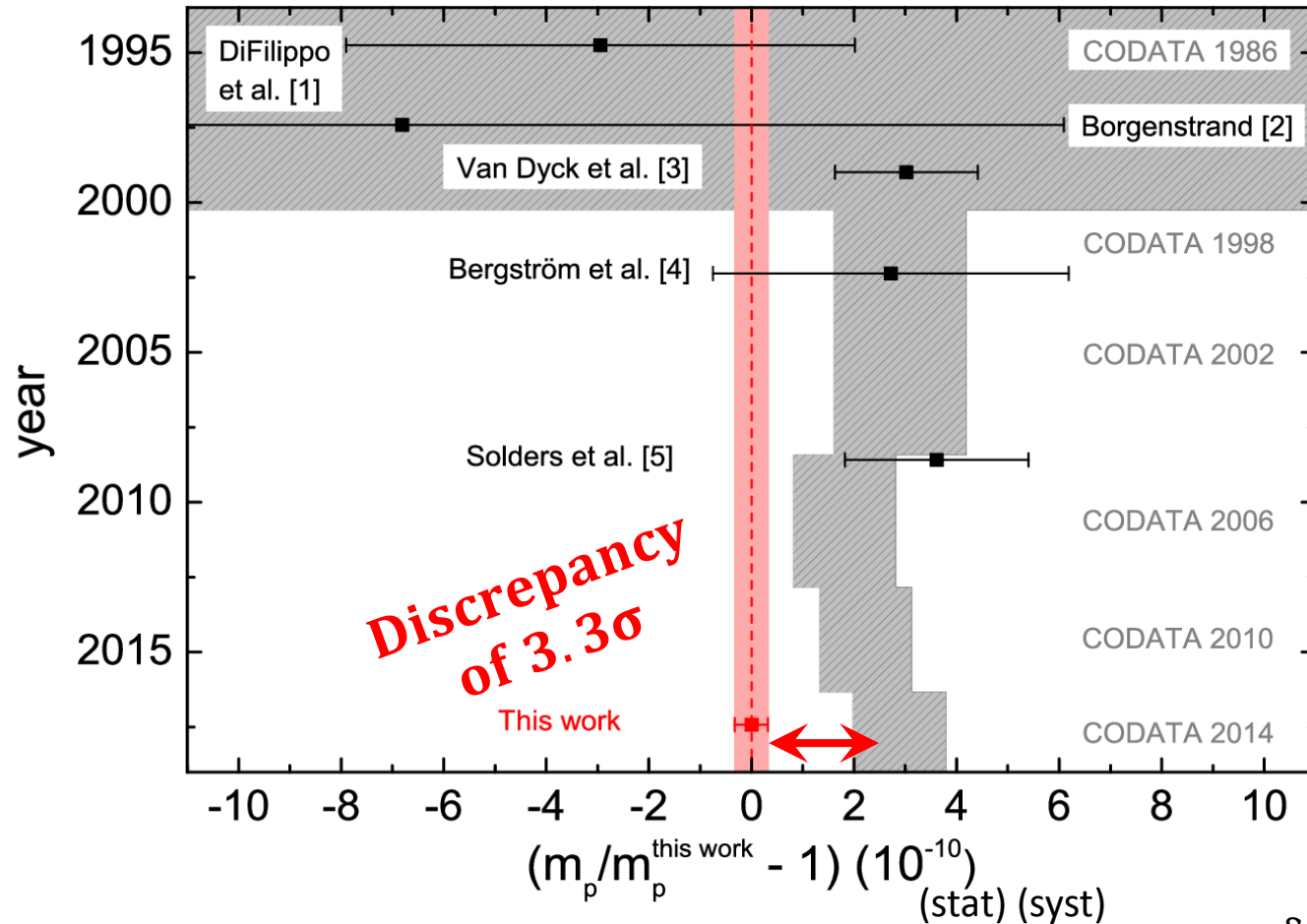


F. Heiße *et al.*, PRA, accepted

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Results



$$m_p = 1.007\,276\,466\,583\,(15)(29)\text{ u}$$

$$\frac{\delta m_p}{m_p} = 3.2 \cdot 10^{-11}$$

→ **Improvement by a factor of 3**

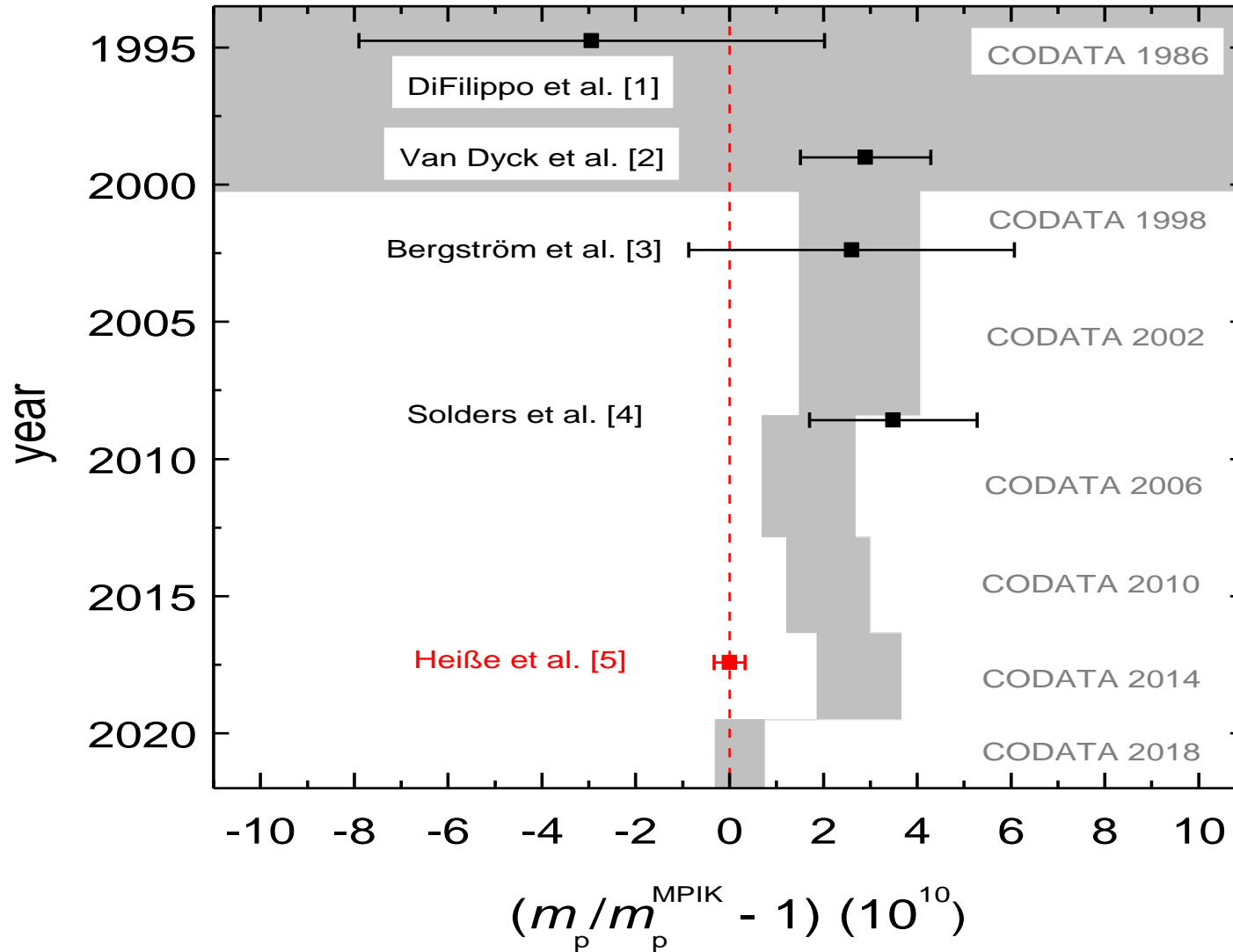
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[PRL **119**, 033001 (2017)]



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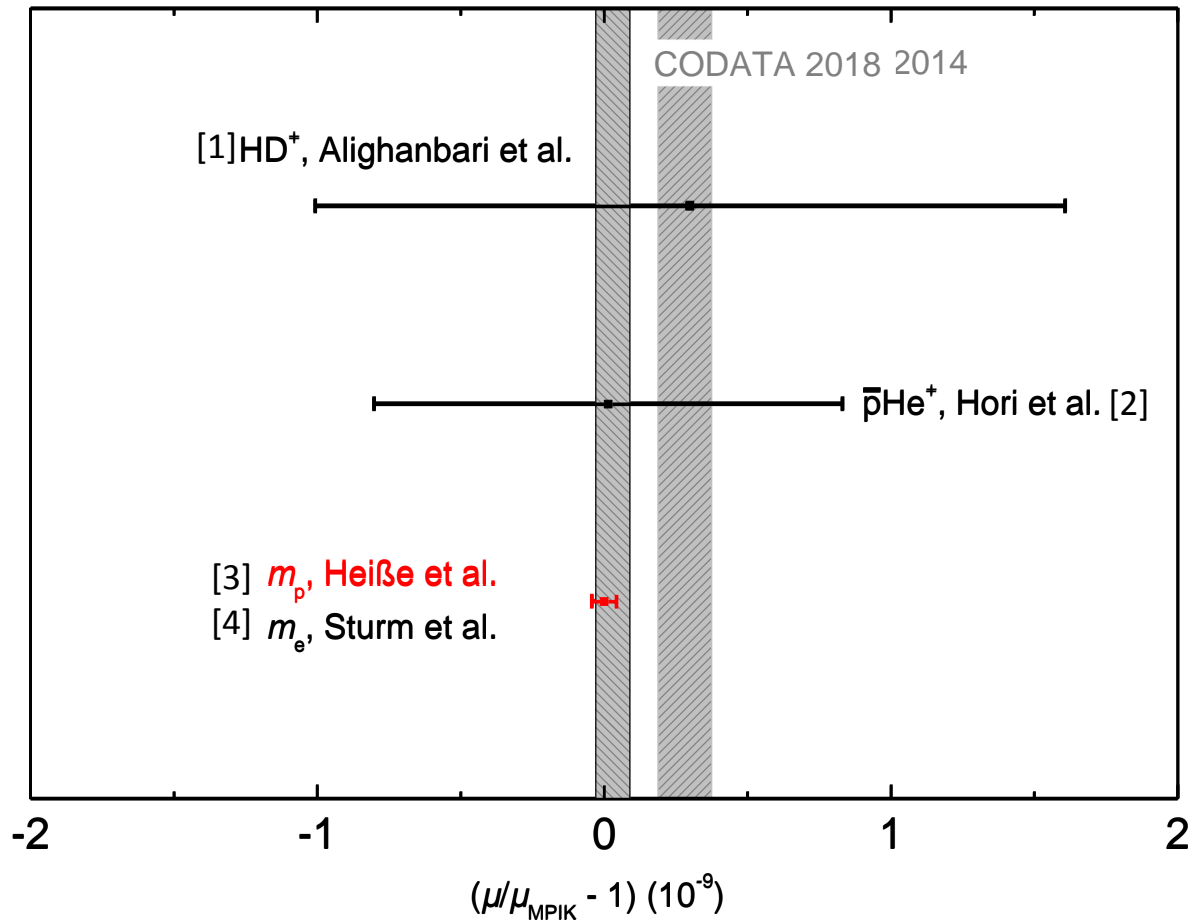
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Proton/Electron Mass Ratio



- [1] S. Alighanbari *et al.* Nat. Phys. **14**, 555 (2018)
- [2] M. Hori *et al.* Science **354**, 610 (2016)
- [3] F. Heiße *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **119**, 033001 (2017)
- [4] S. Sturm *et al.* Nature **506**, 467 (2014)



Systematic Uncertainties

Effect	Relative Uncertainty (10^{-12})
Residual Magnetostatic Inhomogeneity	27.5
Special Relativity	7.1
Image Charge	4.6
Quadratic Sum	≈ 29

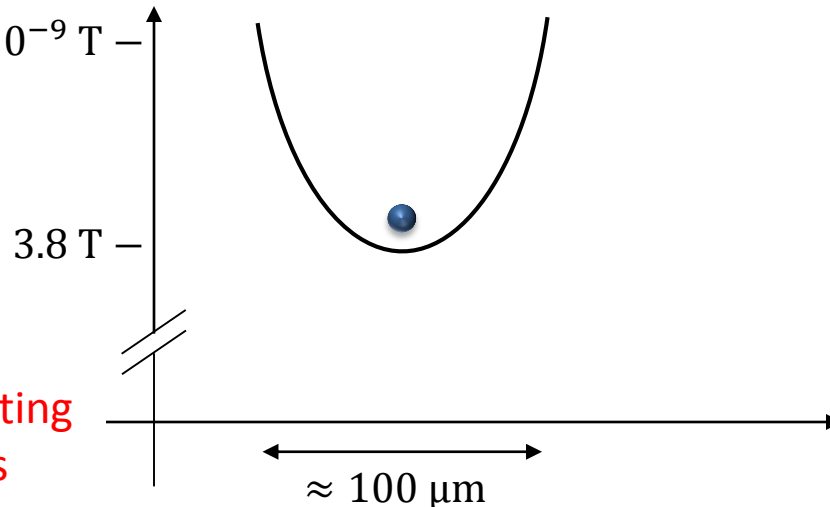
Magnetic inhomogeneity:

$$B(z) = B_0 + B_1 z + B_2 z^2 + \dots$$

$$\langle B \rangle = B_0 + B_2 \langle z_0^2 \rangle / 2$$

$$B_2 = -0.27(2) \text{ T/m}^2 \quad \rightarrow \text{Superconducting}$$

$$B_1 = 0.92(1) \text{ mT/m} \quad \text{B}_1/\text{B}_2\text{-shim coils}$$



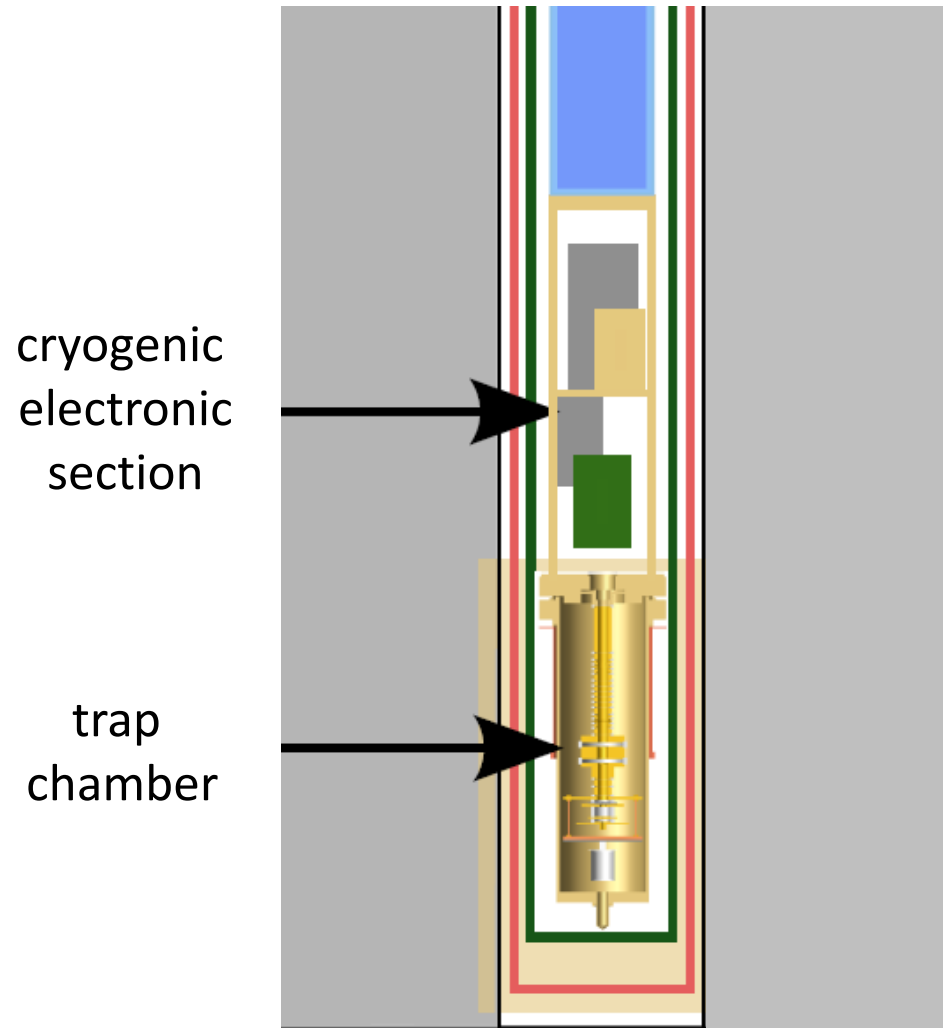
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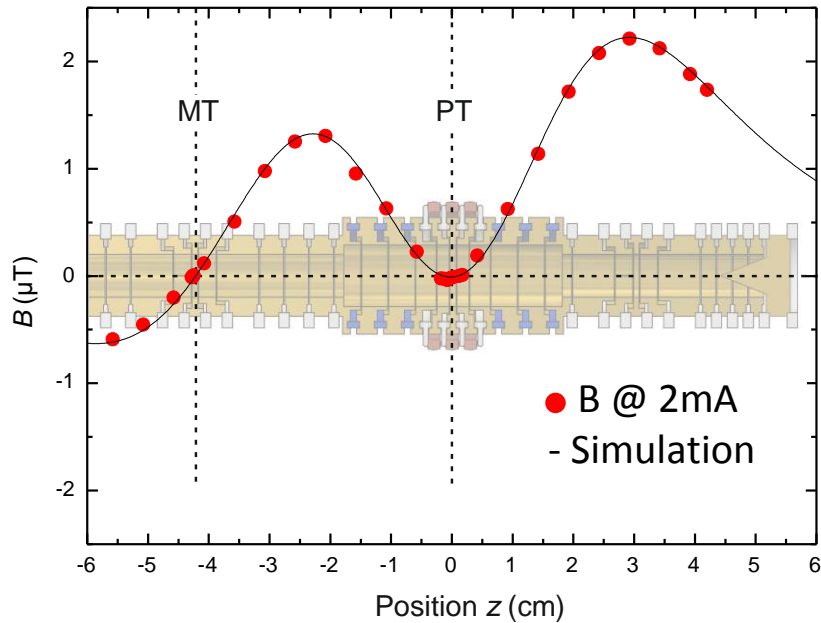
Solenoidal Superconducting B_2 Shim Coil

- placed around trap chamber:

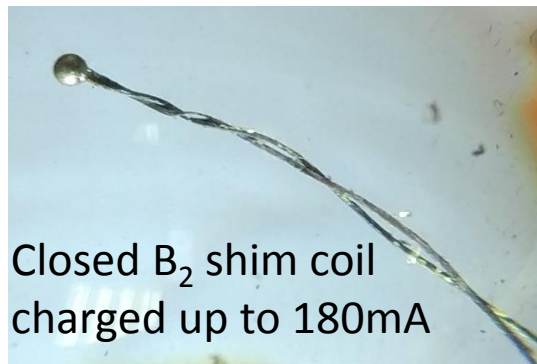


Solenoidal Superconducting B₂ Shim Coil

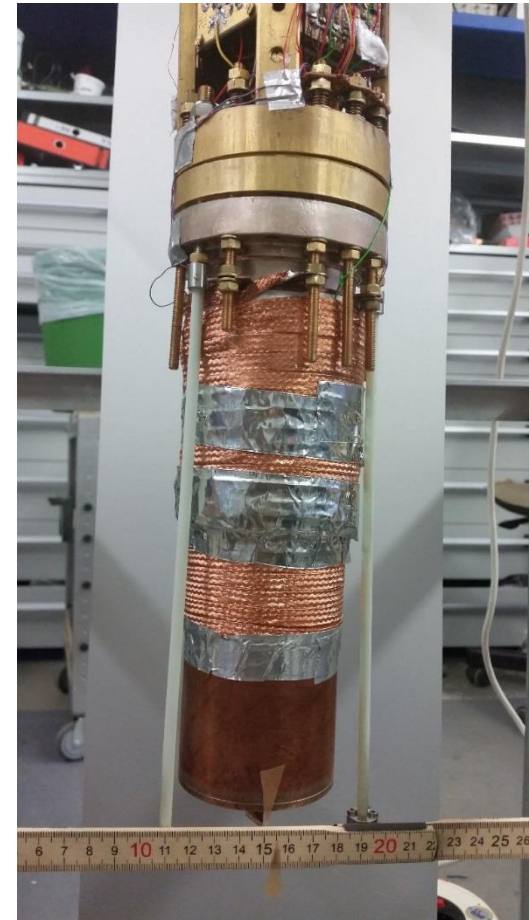
measurement in a testsetup



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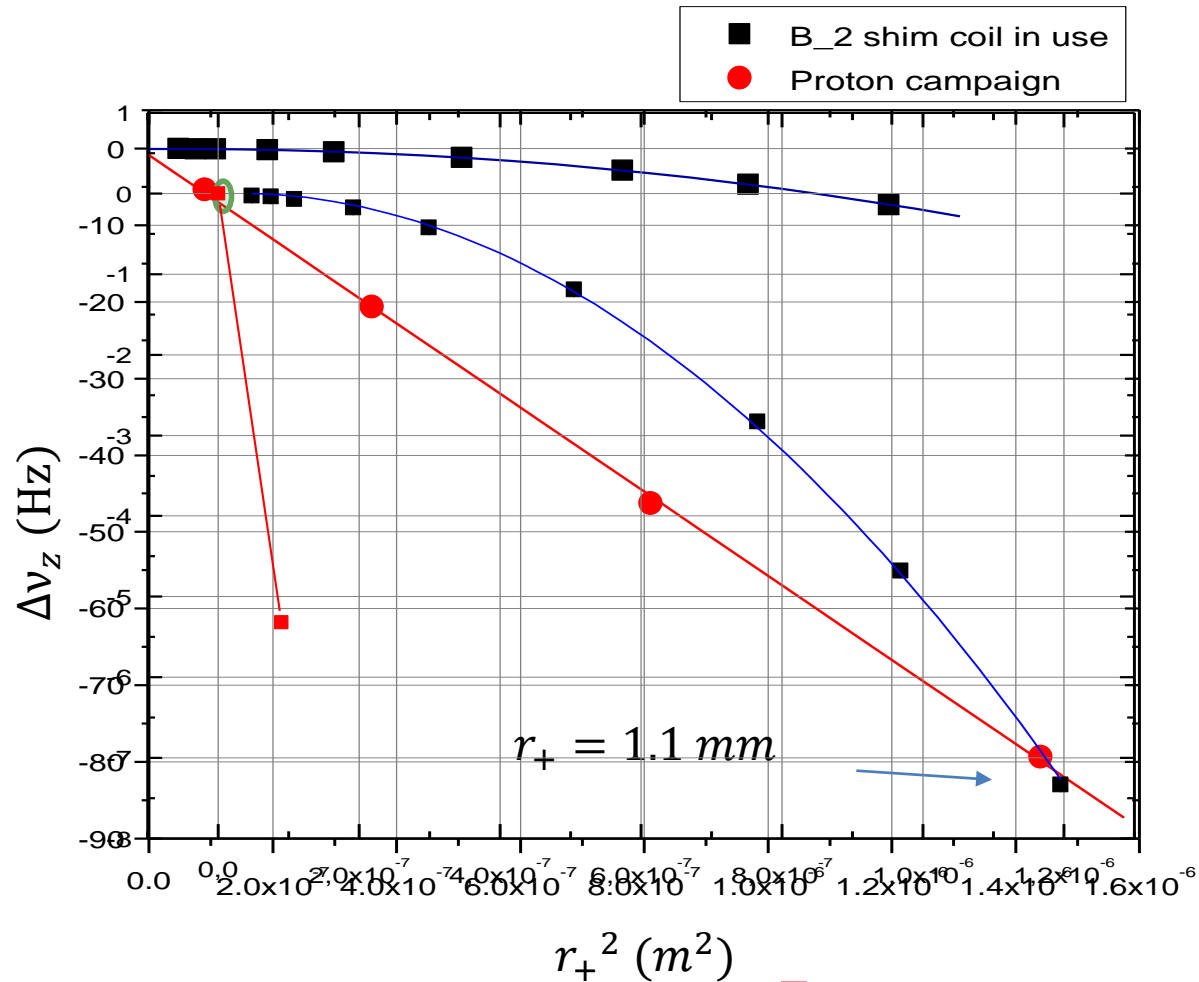


Closed B₂ shim coil
charged up to 180mA



B₂ Shim Coil Performance

axial frequency shift as function of energy in ν_+ -mode $\sim r_+^2$



Proton mass campaign: $B_2 = -0.27(2) \mu\text{T} / \text{mm}^2$

now: $B_2 = -0.00127(40) \mu\text{T} / \text{mm}^2$

⇒ Factor 200 improvement

Estimated Error Budget Deuteron

Effect	Rel. Unc. (10^{-12}) Pmass	Rel. Unc. (10^{-12}) Deuteron (predicted)
Residual Magnetostatic Inhomogeneity	27.5	0.2
Special Relativity	7.1	2.9
Image Charge	4.6	4.1
Quadratic Sum	≈29	≈5.0

- current best value for the deuteron's atomic mass:

$$\delta m/m = 20 \times 10^{-12}$$

S. L. Zafonte and R. S. Van Dyck Jr., Metrologia 52, 280 (2015)

Schuh *et al.*, PRA, accepted

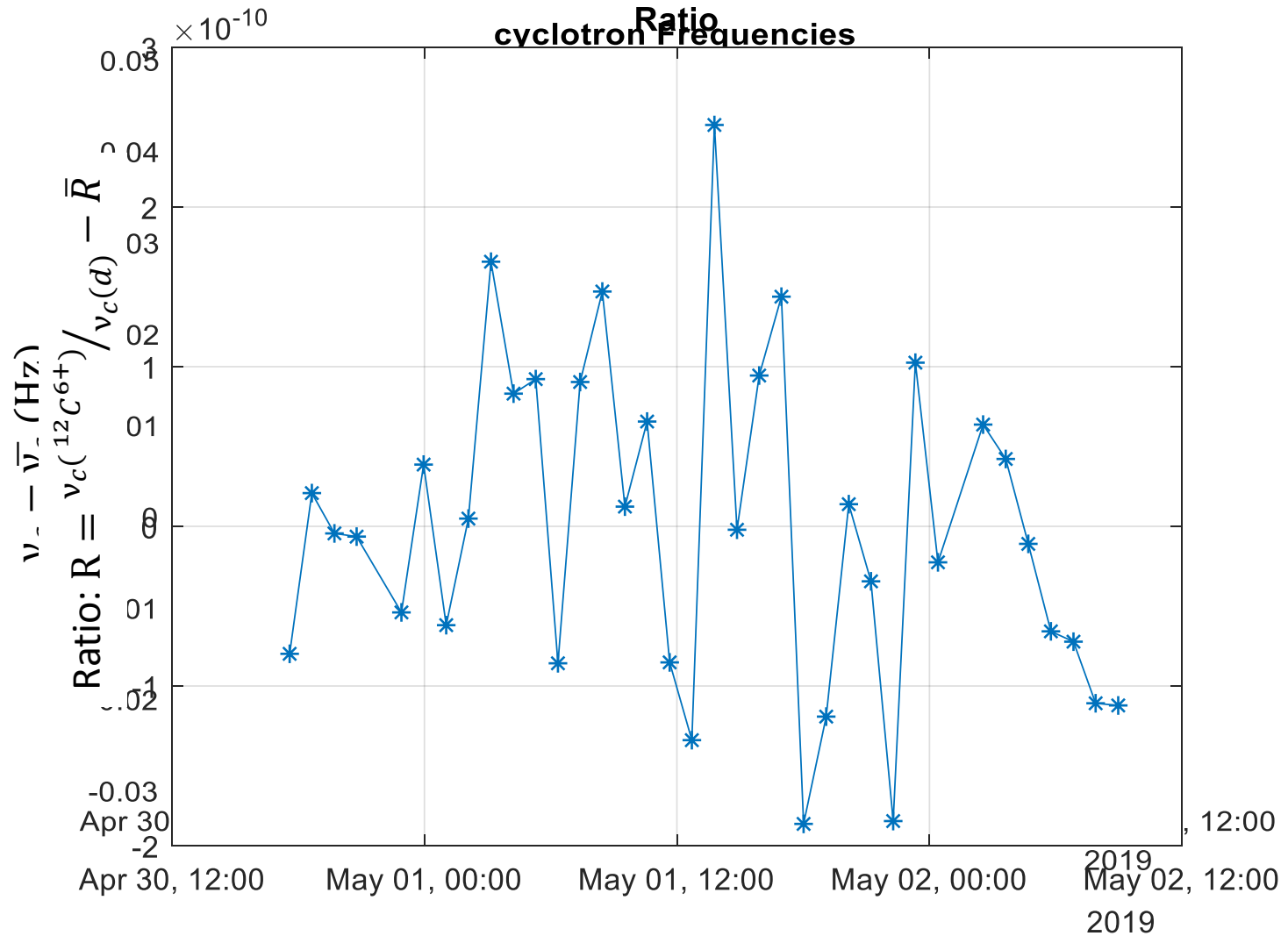
- current best mass ratio: $R = m(^{29}\text{Si}^+) / m(^{28}\text{SiH}^+)$

$$\delta R/R = 6.5 \times 10^{-12}$$

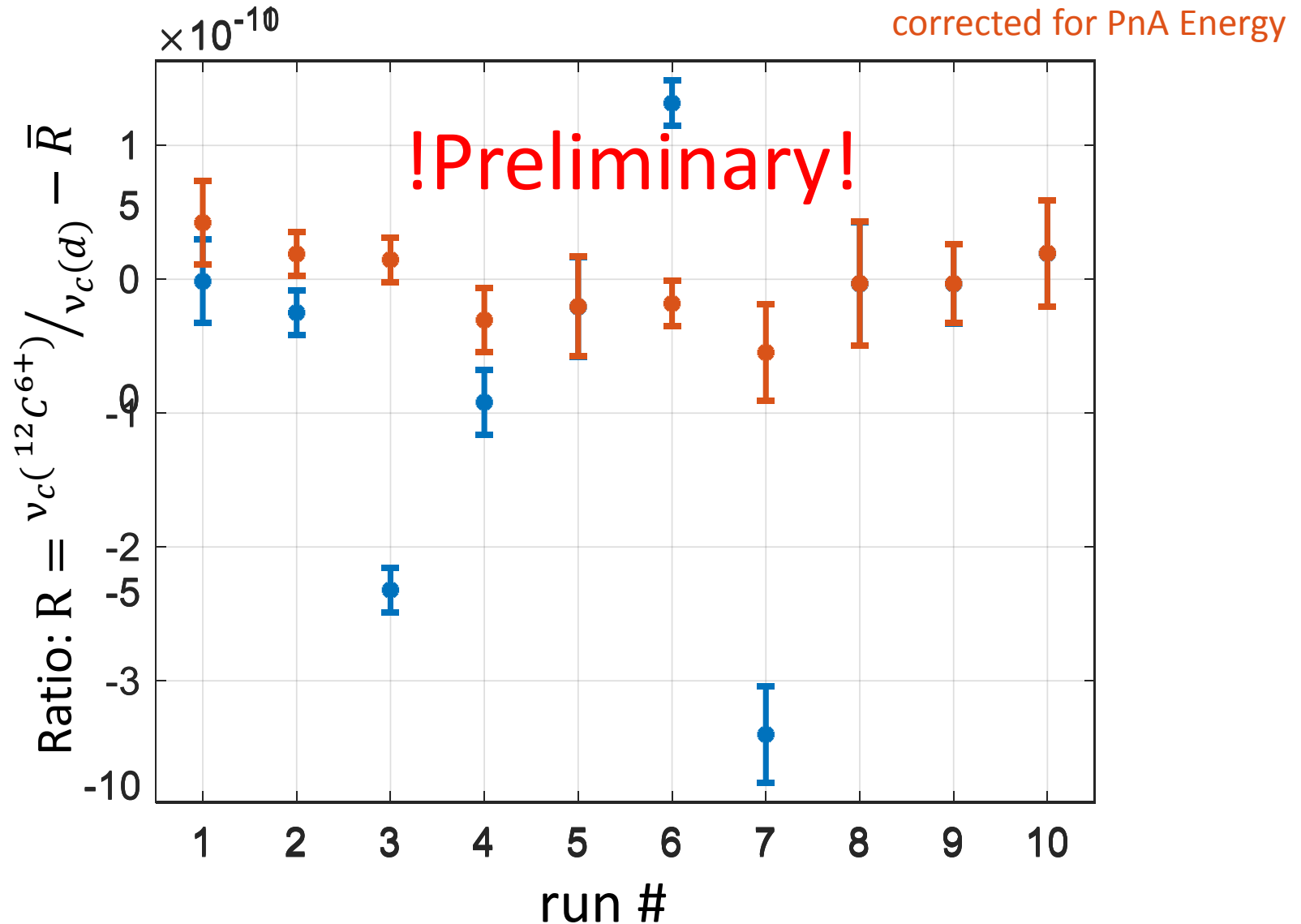
S. Rainville et al., Nature 438, 1096 (2005)

Preliminary Results

example run from 30.04.2019 to 02.05.2019



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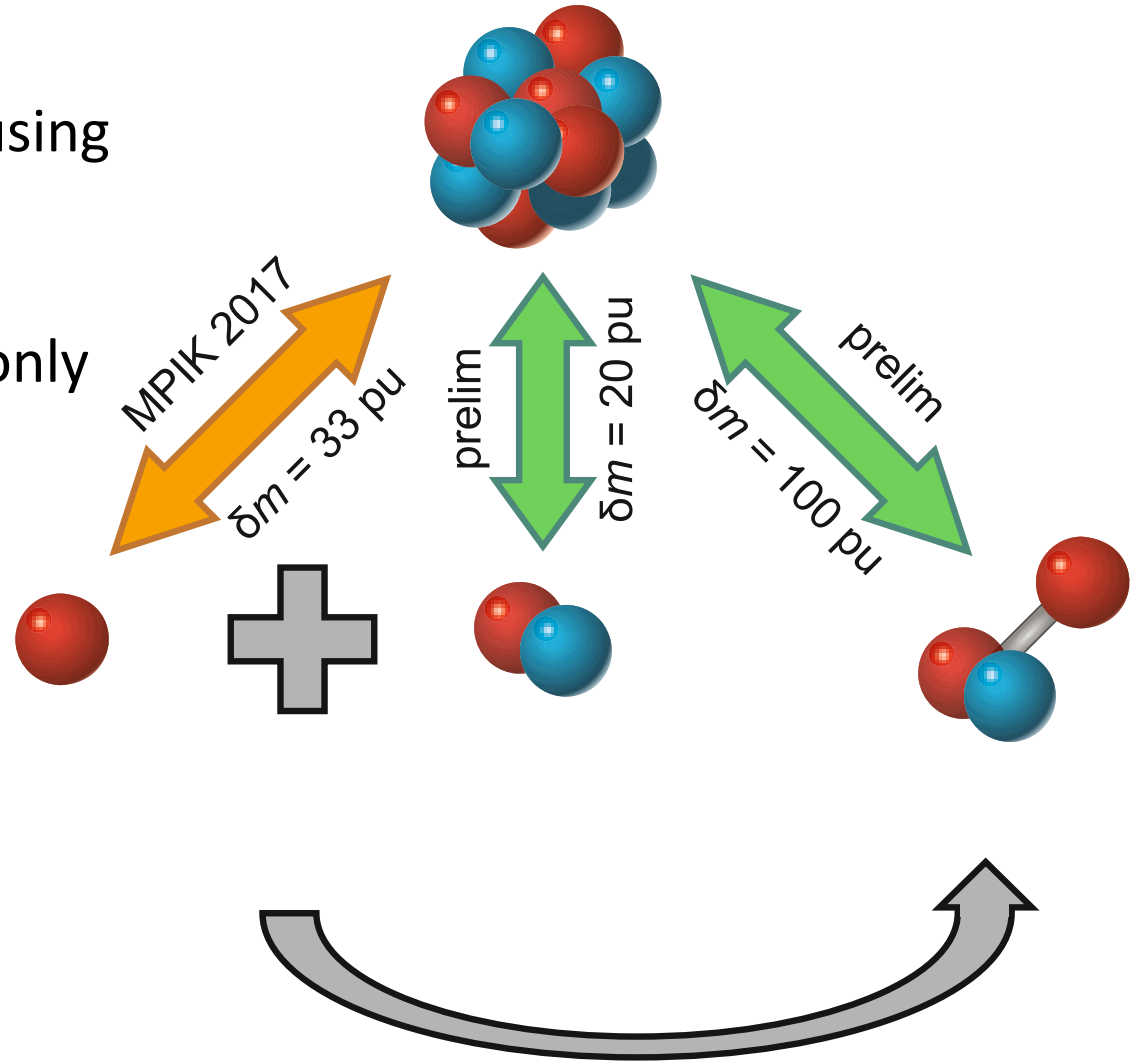


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The mass of HD^+

- consistency check using HD^+
- closed circle using only our values

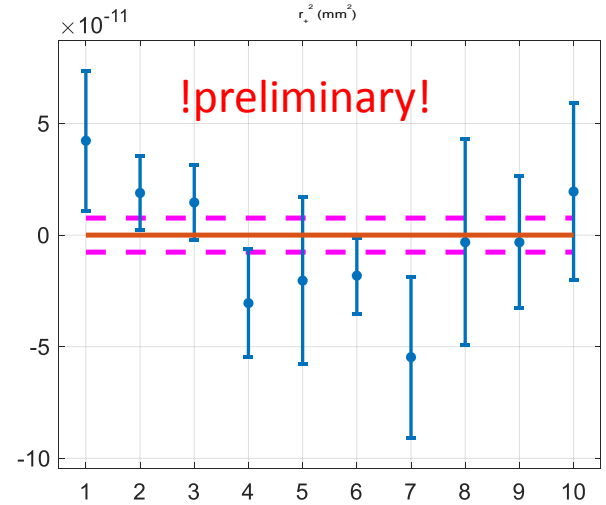
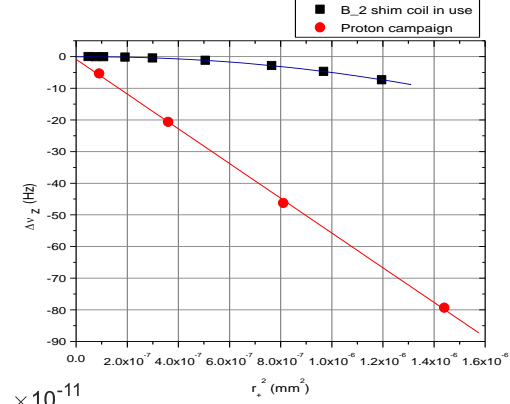
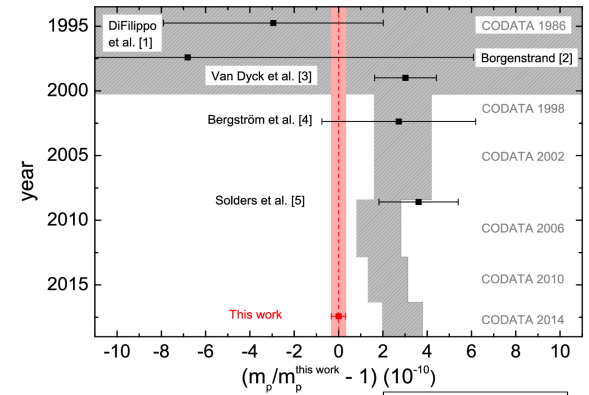
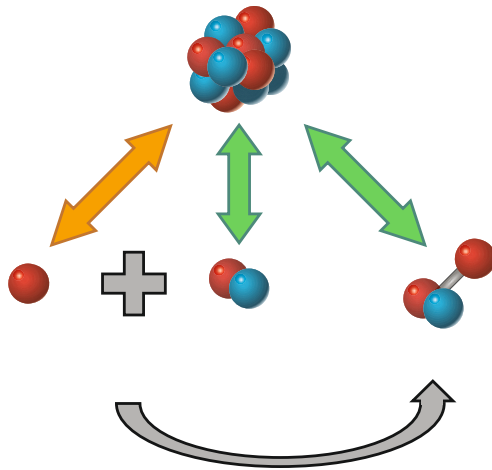


HD atomic & molecular Binding Energy:
Korobov et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 118, 233001 (2017)



Summary

- proton mass with 33 ppt precision
- leading order systematic effect made negligible with B₂ shim coil
- estimated systematic uncertainty for deuteron to be around 5×10^{-12}
- ongoing measurement, statistical error around 8×10^{-12}
- strong consistency check using HD^+



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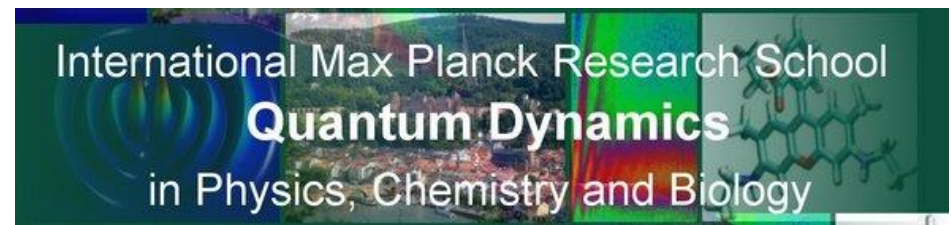


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Why deuteron?

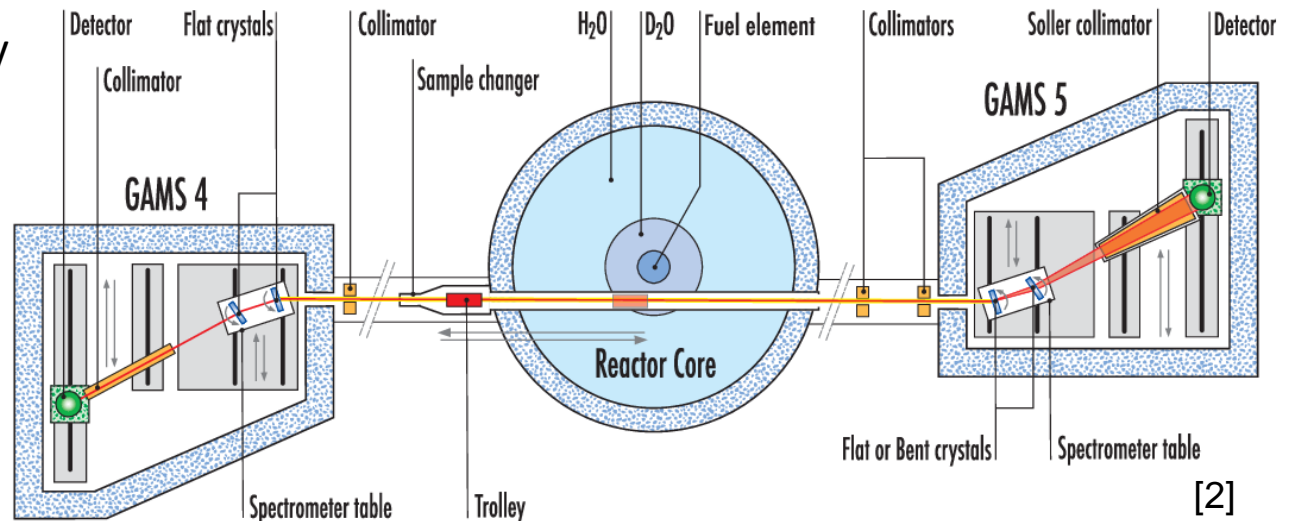
- Deuteron mass might help with puzzle of light ion masses
- allows for easier measurement of the Image Charge Shift (q/m doublet)
- one can extract the neutron mass

$$m_n = m_d - m_p + E_\gamma/c^2$$

$$E_\gamma/c^2 = 2.388\,169\,96\,(42) \times 10^{-3} \text{u} \quad [1]$$



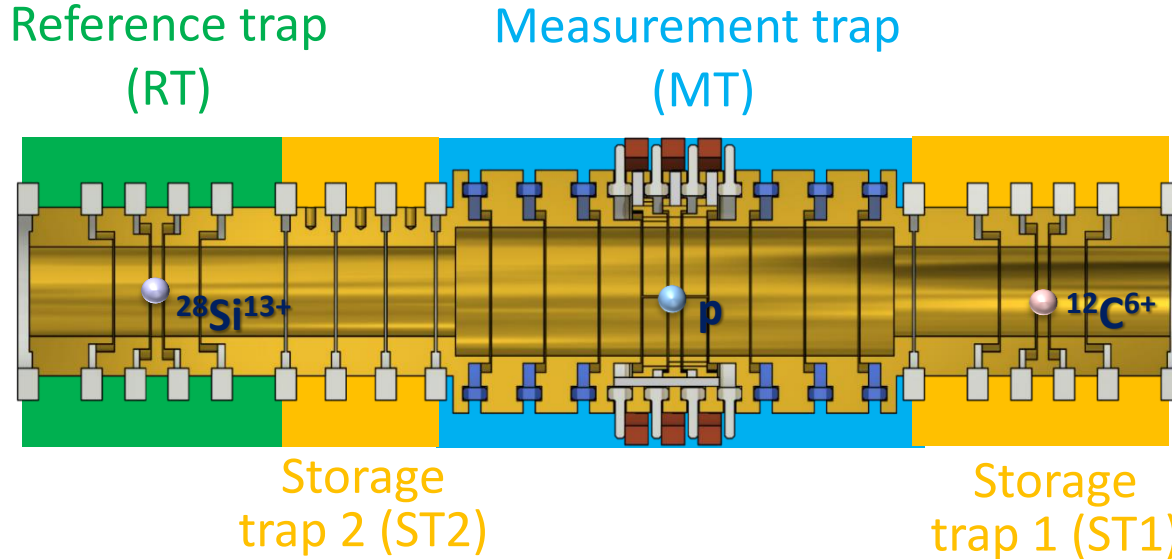
- improved binding energy needed, currently measured at the ILL in France



[1] M.S. Dewey et al. Physical Review C 73, 044303 (2006)

[2] <https://www.ill.eu/instruments-support/> „PN3-GAMS“

Reference Trap



Simultaneous comparison of cyclotron frequencies to reference ion

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{(I) } \nu_c(^{28}\text{Si}^{13+}) \text{ and } \nu_c(p) \quad R_1 = \frac{\nu_c(p)}{\nu_c(^{28}\text{Si}^{13+})} \\
 \text{(II) } \nu_c(^{28}\text{Si}^{13+}) \text{ and } \nu_c(^{12}\text{C}^{6+}) \quad R_2 = \frac{\nu_c(^{12}\text{C}^{6+})}{\nu_c(^{28}\text{Si}^{13+})}
 \end{array}
 \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} R_1 \\ R_2 \end{array}} \right\} \boxed{\frac{R_1}{R_2} = \frac{\nu_c(p)}{\nu_c(^{12}\text{C}^{6+})}}$$

→ **cancel impact of common mode magnetic field fluctuations**

Data

- Several 100's of measurement cycles have been performed with:
 - three different $p / {}^{12}\text{C}^{6+}$ pairs
 - at different $r_+(p) = \kappa \cdot A(p)$ and $r_+({}^{12}\text{C}^{6+}) = \kappa' \cdot A({}^{12}\text{C}^{6+})$.

$r_+(p)$ (μm): 19 9 9 38 9 9 9 38 9 28 19 38 9
 $r_+({}^{12}\text{C}^{6+})$ (μm): 14 14 34 14 14 14 68 14 14 41 27 14 34

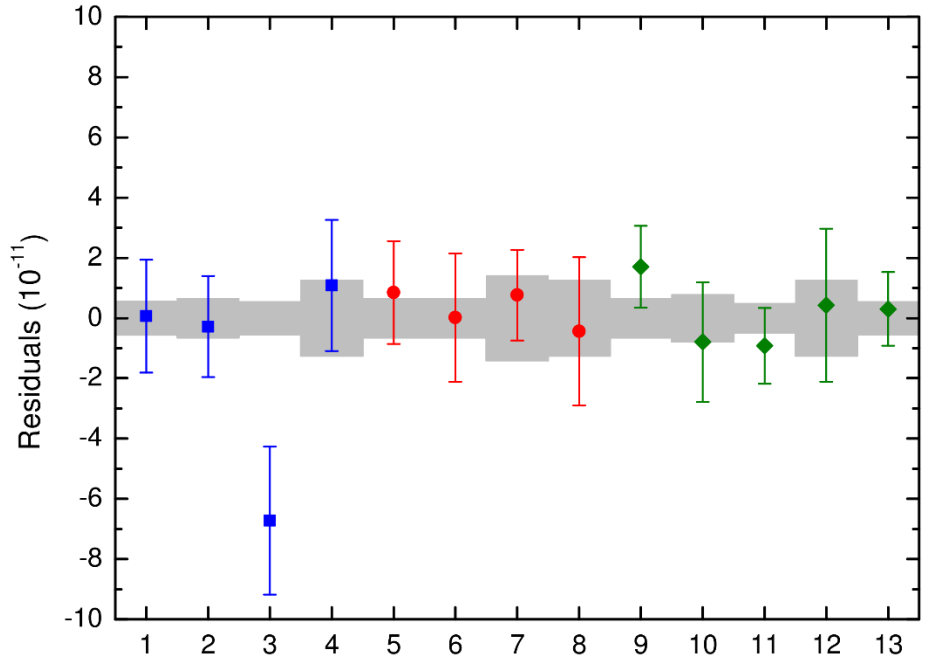
- Apply a global planar fit:

$$R_i = R_0 + a (A_i(p))^2 + b (A_i({}^{12}\text{C}^{6+}))^2,$$

where i is the run number and R_0 , a and b are fit parameters.

- Extrapolated frequency ratio R_0 :

$$R_0 = R_{\text{stat}} = \frac{\nu_c({}^{12}\text{C}^{6+})}{\nu_c(p)} = 0.503\,776\,367\,634\,1\,(77).$$



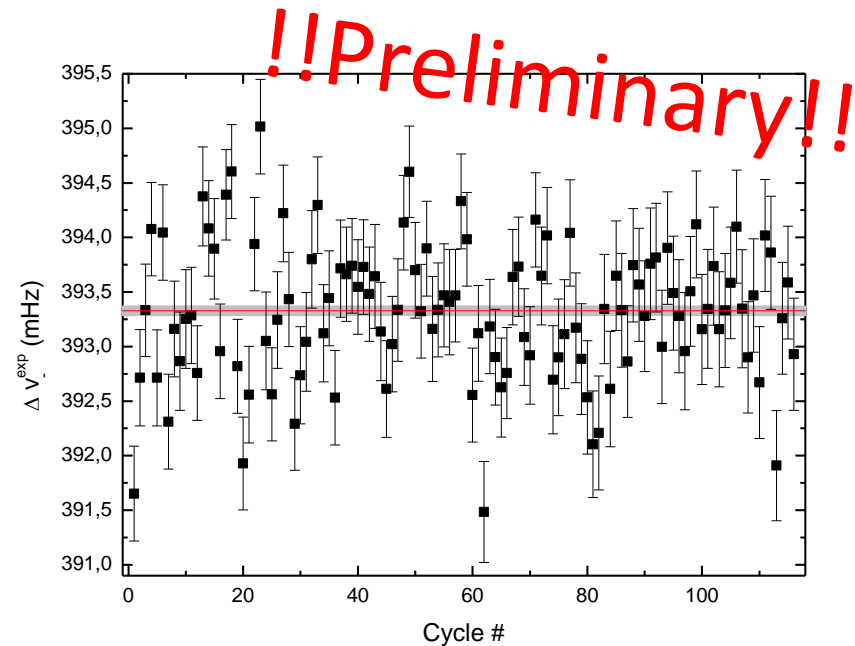
i = Run number

$$\frac{\delta R_0}{R_0} = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-11}$$

The Image Charge Shift

$$\Delta\nu_- = \nu_-(\text{Proton}) - \nu_-(^{12}\text{C}^{6+})$$

Effect	Shifts $\Delta\nu_-$ [mHz]
ICS	2.394
B_2	0.076
Tilt	0.162
q/m mismatch	390.714
Total	393.346



BUT:

- Tilt between magnetic and electric field (0.5 °)
- Variations of this tilt are in the axial mode indistinguishable from voltage fluctuations

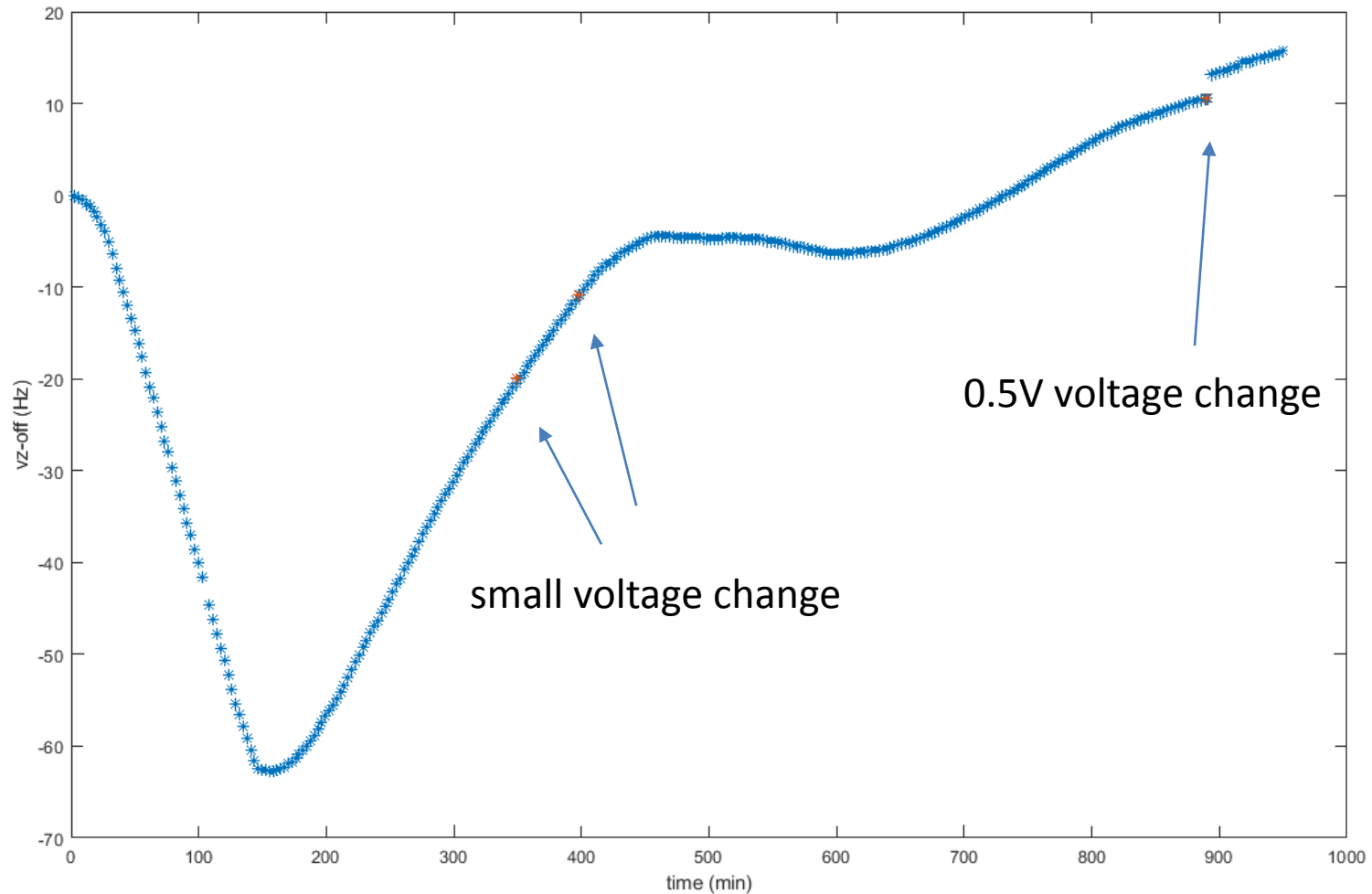
$$\delta\nu_-^{\text{tilt fluc.}}(p) \approx 1.4 \cdot 10^{-5} \cdot \delta\nu_z^{\text{tilt fluc.}}(p)$$

$$\delta\nu_-^{\text{volt. fluc.}}(p) \approx 1.3 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot \delta\nu_z^{\text{volt. fluc.}}(p)$$

- Fit gives $\delta(\Delta\nu_-) = 43 \mu\text{Hz}$ with Red $\chi^2 = 2$

⇒ confirmation limited to 5% level (120 μHz)

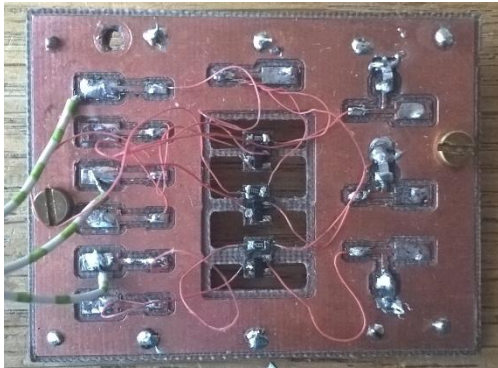
Improving axial stability



- leakage currents in the order of a few fA, resistance to ground $\sim 10^{15} \Omega$
- transistors DC resistance at least in same magnitude, acts as very small capacity (17fF)

Improving axial stability

- improve voltage stability by using a filter with a switchable time constant
- use „freeze-out“ of silicon transistor (BF545) happening at $\sim 20\text{ K}$:



Characteristics:

Conducting at: 13 mW for 20 s

Freezing out: 3 min

$R_{\text{cold}} > 500\text{ G}\Omega$

- Fluctuations in angle lead to instabilities:

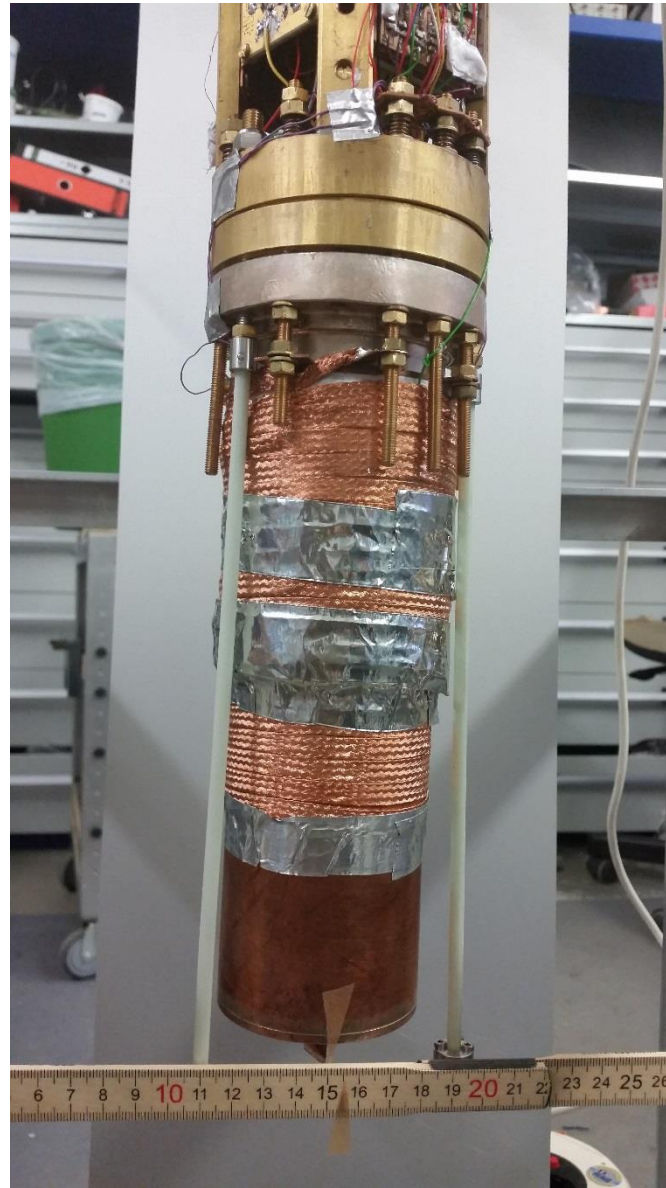
$$\bar{v}_z \approx v_z \sqrt{1 - \frac{3}{2} \sin^2 \theta}$$

$$\theta = \theta_0 + \delta\theta$$

$$\delta\bar{v}_z \approx -\frac{3}{2} v_z \theta_0 \delta\theta$$

⇒ **Mechanical Feedthrough** to adjust angle to zero in situ

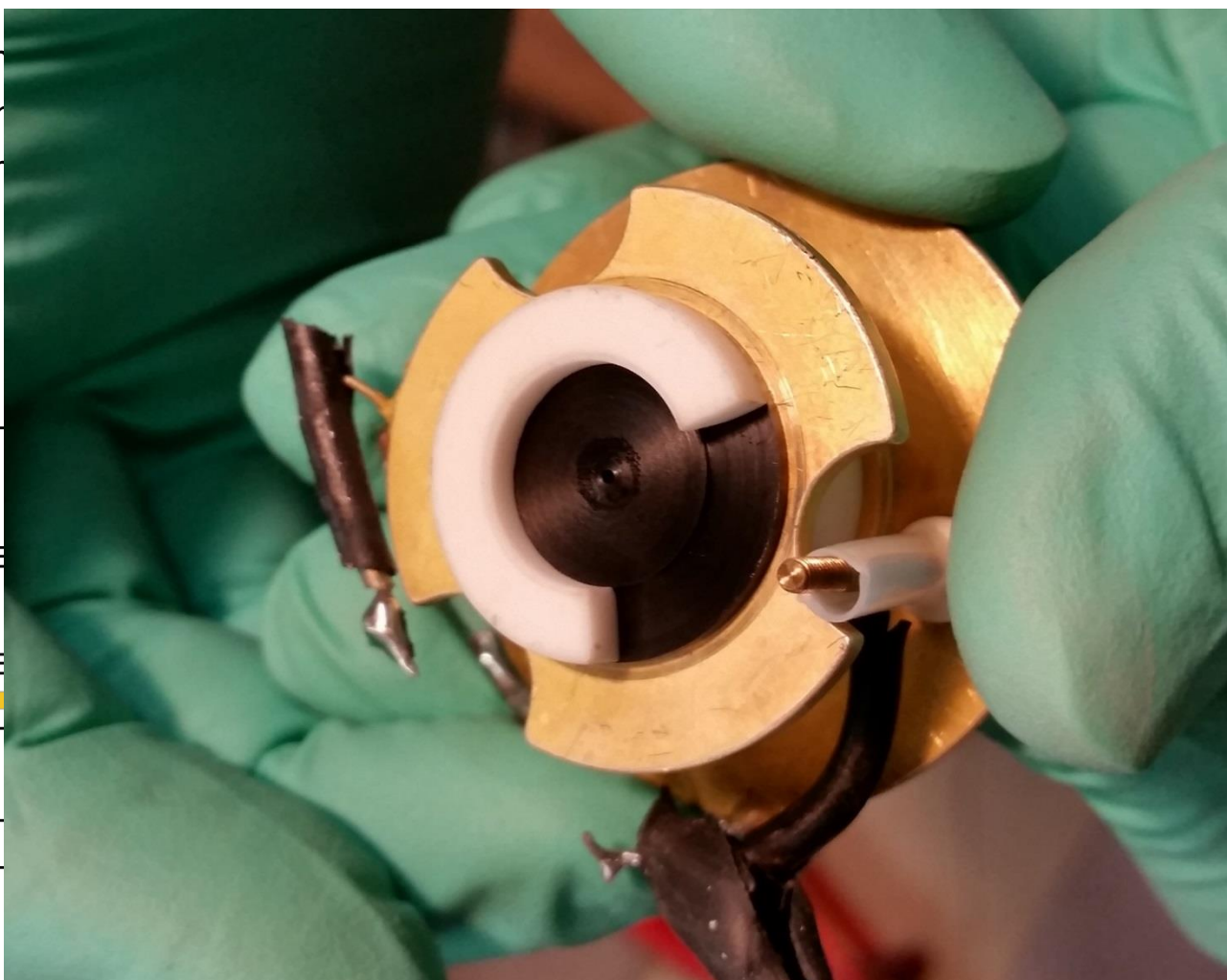
Mechanical Feedthrough



Target Preparation

- use target printer to apply deuterated molecules (Thymidine- $\alpha,\alpha,\alpha,6-d_4$) to surface of standard mEBIS target *R. Haas et al., Nucl. Instr. Meth. Phys. Res. A 874*

- small n
while r
vacuum



Reflector

Creation
Trap (CT)

Target

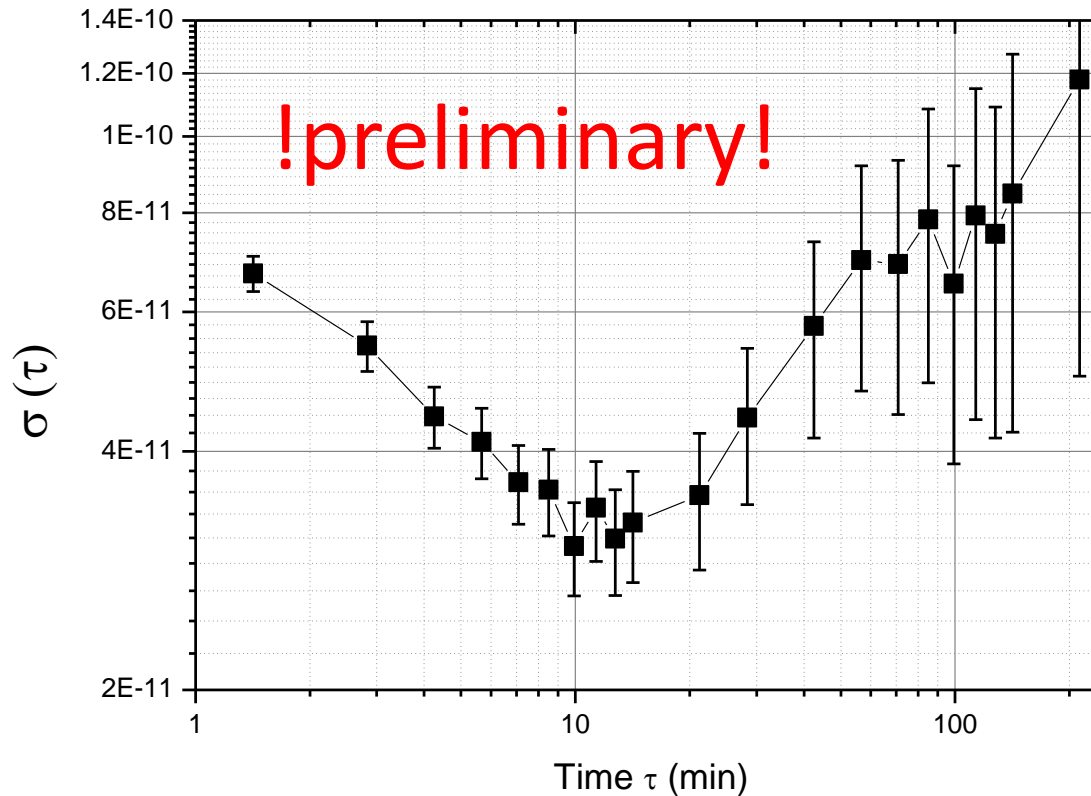
Acceleration
electrode

FEP

2 mm

Improved Statistics

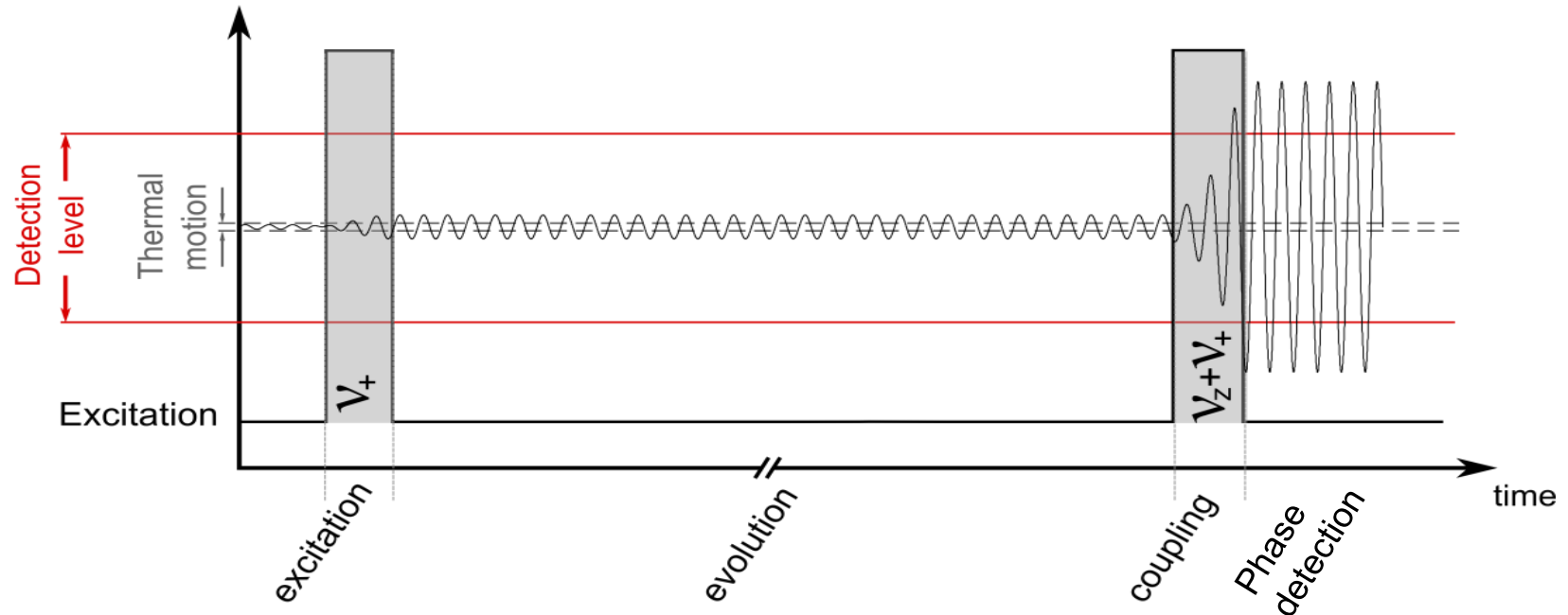
- implemented pressure and temperature stabilization
- Allan deviation with consecutive v_+ measurements with a single deuteron promises statistics in the few 10^{-11} per cycle



Pulse and Amplification – Method

- Phase sensitive detection method for ν_+

Reduced cyclotron amplitude



- Rapid measurement time (~ 10 s instead of ~ 3 min for Double-Dip)
→ **Reduction of impact of B-field fluctuations**
- Small radial kinetic energies during phase evolution
→ **Small magnetic and relativistic shifts**

