

# *Experimental Perspectives on Next Generation EDM Searches*

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# Outline

- Motivation: Why search for permanent EDMs?  
(see talk by Emanuele Mereghetti)
- How to measure a permanent EDM?
- Technologies and Present Status
- Future Developments
- Summary

# Why Search for Permanent EDMs?

S. Weinberg, "XXVI International Conference on High Energy Physics, Dallas, TX, 1992

arXiv:hep-ph/9211298

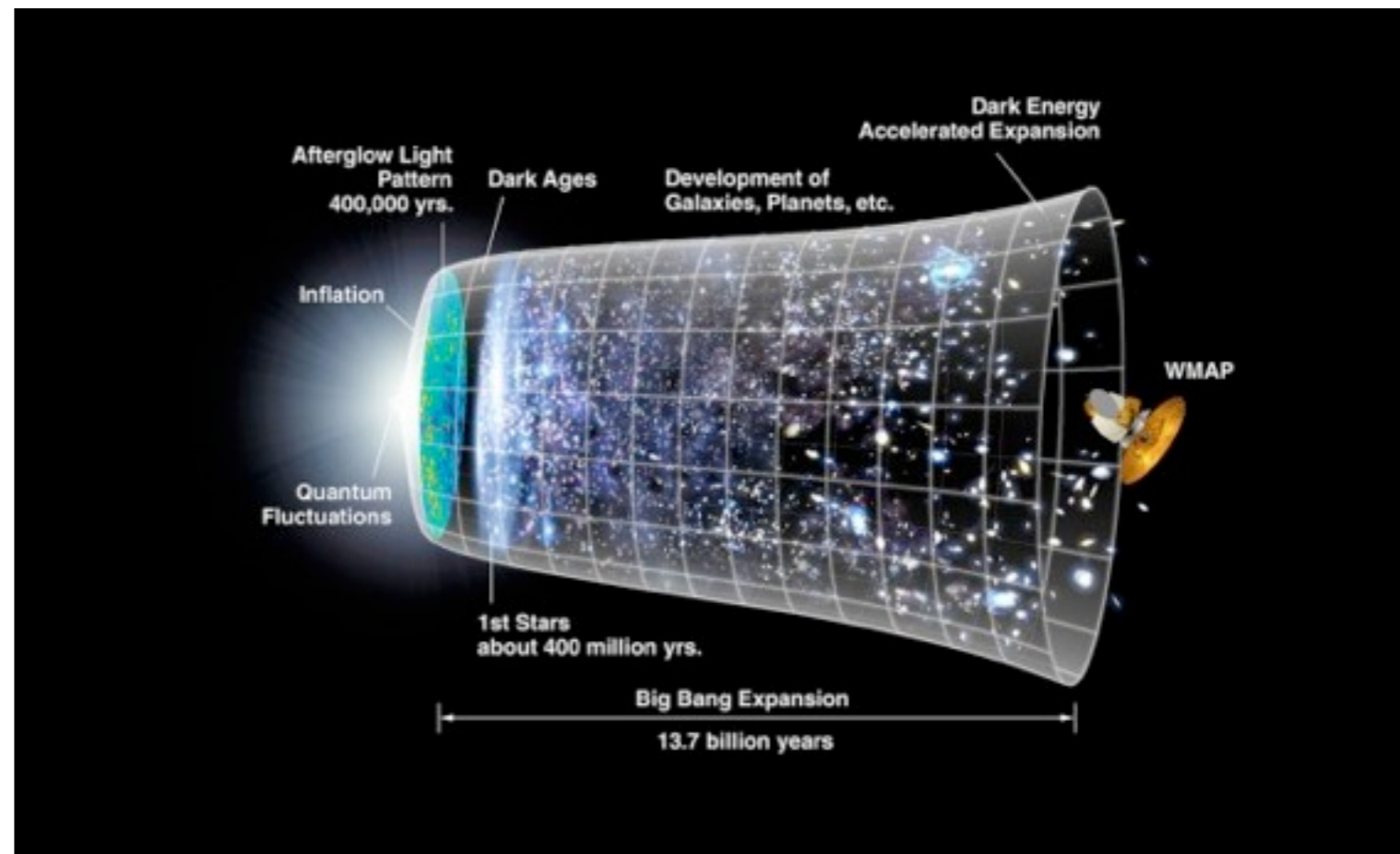
..... Also endemic in supersymmetry theories are CP violations that go beyond the CKM matrix, and for this reason it may be that the next exciting thing to come along will be the discovery of a neutron or atomic or electron electric dipole moment. These electric dipole moments were just briefly mentioned at this conference, but they seem to me to offer one of the most exciting possibilities for progress in particle physics. .....

# Discrete Symmetries and the Universe

## Baryon Asymmetry of the Universe (BAU)

$$\eta = \left( \frac{n_B - n_{\bar{B}}}{n_\gamma} \right) \approx 6.12^{+0.20}_{-0.25} \times 10^{-10}$$

(WMAP + COBE, 2003)



### Sakharov: Three Requirements:

- Baryon number violation
- Violation of C and CP symmetries
- Departure from thermodynamic equilibrium

A. Sakharov; JETP Lett, 5, 24 (1967)

# Permanent Electric Dipole Moments

$$H = - \left[ d \frac{\vec{\sigma}}{|\sigma|} \cdot \vec{E} + \mu \frac{\vec{\sigma}}{|\sigma|} \cdot \vec{B} \right]$$

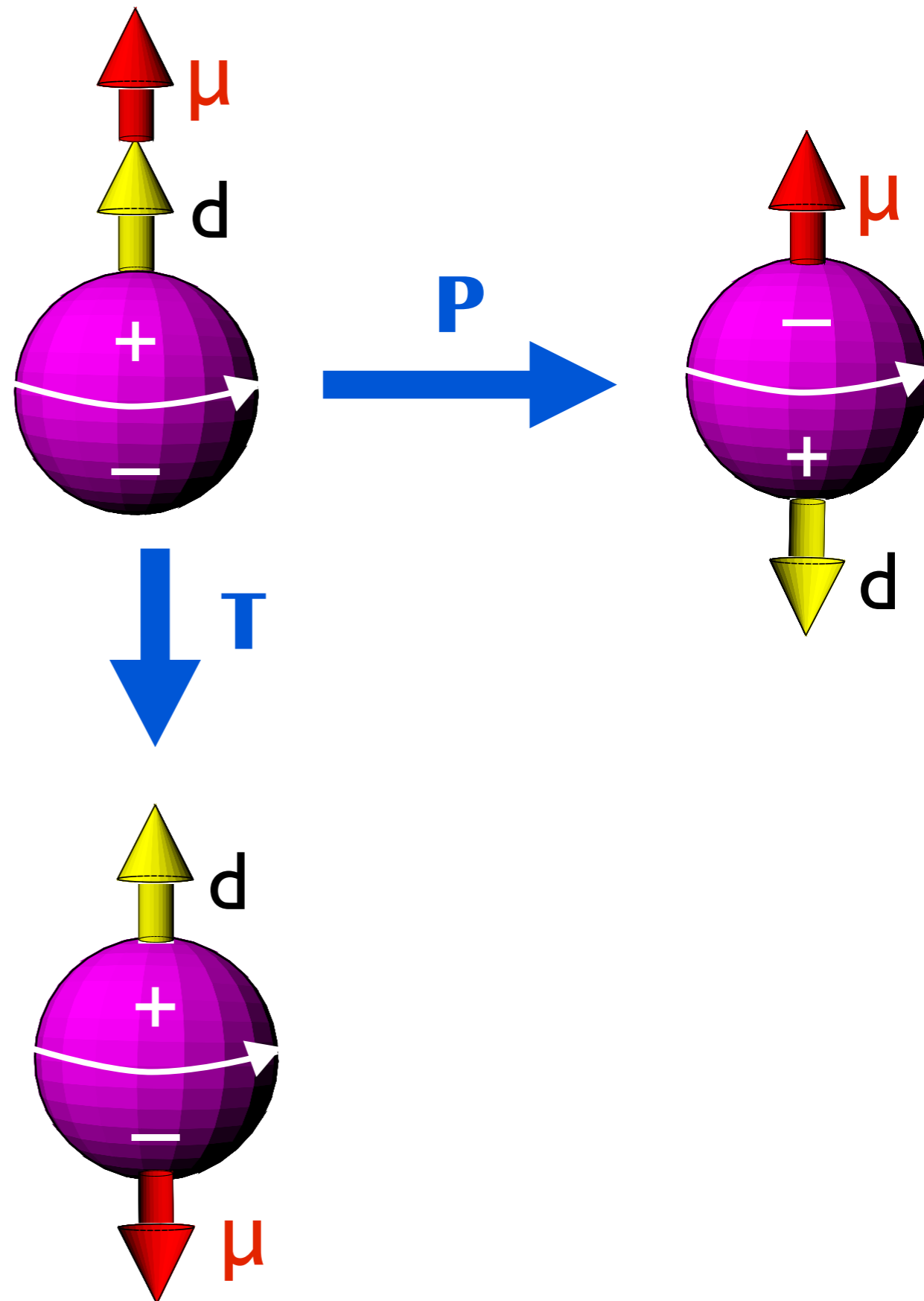
$\vec{\sigma} \rightarrow$  axial-vector,  $\vec{E} \rightarrow$  vector:

$\Rightarrow d$  violates Parity

$\vec{\sigma} \xrightarrow{T} -\vec{\sigma}, \vec{E} \xrightarrow{T} \vec{E}$ :

$\Rightarrow d$  violates T-reversal

$\Rightarrow$  CPT:  $d \neq 0$ , CP violation



# CP-odd Operators at $\sim 1 \text{ GeV}$

Use Effective Field Theory (EFT) to provide model-independent parameterization of CP-violating operators at  $\sim 1 \text{ GeV}$ :

Operator Product Expansion  $L_{eff} = L_{\text{dim}=4} + L_{\text{dim}=5} + L_{\text{dim}=6} + \dots$

**Dimension 4:**  $\bar{\theta} \alpha_s G \tilde{G}$   $\bar{\theta} = \theta_0 + \text{ArgDet}(M_q)$   
Extension of SM  $\rightarrow$  Peccei-Quinn Symmetry :  
Axion (Goldstone Boson)

**Dimension 5:**  $\sum_{q=u,d,s} d_q \bar{q} F \sigma \gamma_5 q + \sum_{q=u,d,s} \tilde{d}_q \bar{q} G \sigma \gamma_5 q + d_e \bar{e} F \sigma \gamma_5 e + w g_s^3 G G \tilde{G}$

**Dimension 6:**  $\sum_{q=u,d,s} C_{qq} \bar{q} q \bar{q} i \gamma_5 q + C_{qe} \bar{q} q \bar{e} i \gamma_5 e + \dots$

M. Pospelov and A. Ritz, Ann. Phys. 318, 119 (2005)

# $\cancel{CP}$ in QCD: $\theta$ -Term

QCD Lagrangian:  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{QCD} + \bar{\theta} \frac{g^2}{32\pi^2} G_{\mu\nu}^{(A)} \tilde{G}^{(A)\mu\nu}$

$\cancel{CP}$  term

$G_{\mu\nu}^{(A)} \tilde{G}^{(A)\mu\nu} \propto \vec{E}^c \cdot \vec{B}^c \rightarrow \cancel{P}$  and  $\cancel{T}$

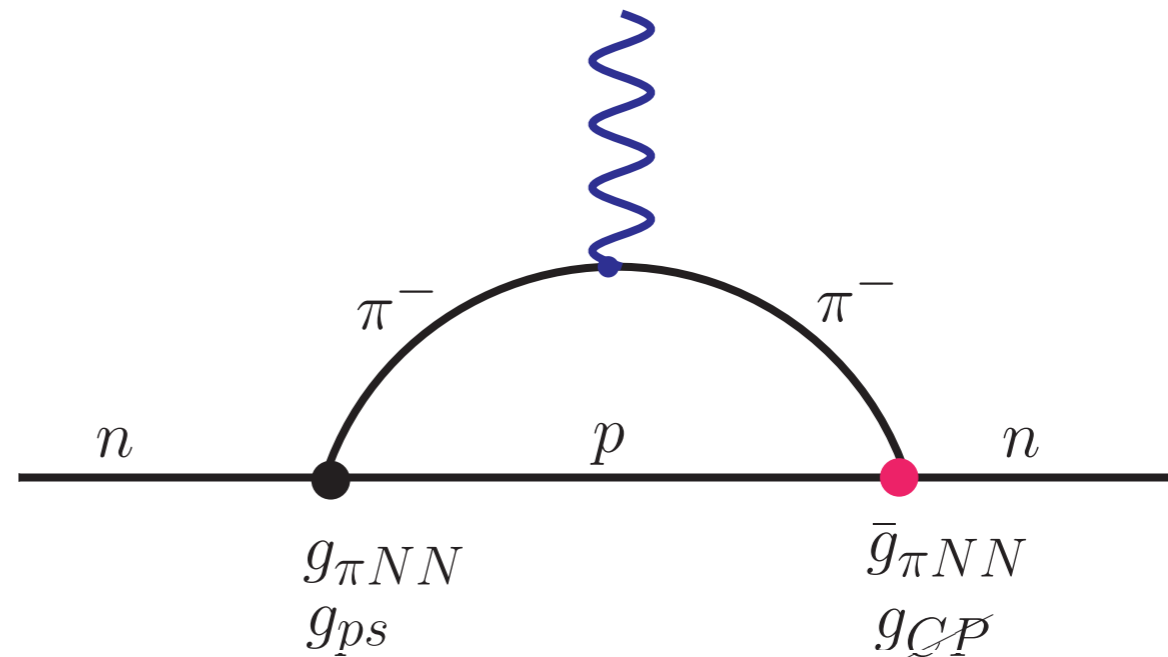
$d_E \neq 0$

Standard Model:  $\theta$  not constrained, could be  $O(1)$ .

# Size of $\theta$ - Term

Neutron EDM in Chiral Perturbation Theory:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\pi NN} = \vec{\pi} \cdot \vec{N} \vec{\tau} (i\gamma_5 g_{\pi NN} + \bar{g}_{\pi NN}) N$$



→ estimate of neutron EDM:  $g_{\pi NN} = 13.7$ ,  $\bar{g}_{\pi NN} \approx -0.027\theta$

$$d_E(n) \sim e \frac{g_{\pi NN} \bar{g}_{\pi NN}}{4\pi^2 M_N} \ln\left(\frac{M_N}{m_\pi}\right) \sim 2 \times 10^{-15} \theta \text{ e} \cdot \text{cm}$$

Experiment:  $d_E(n) < 10^{-25} \text{ e} \cdot \text{cm} \rightarrow \theta < 10^{-10}$

→ "θ-term Puzzle"

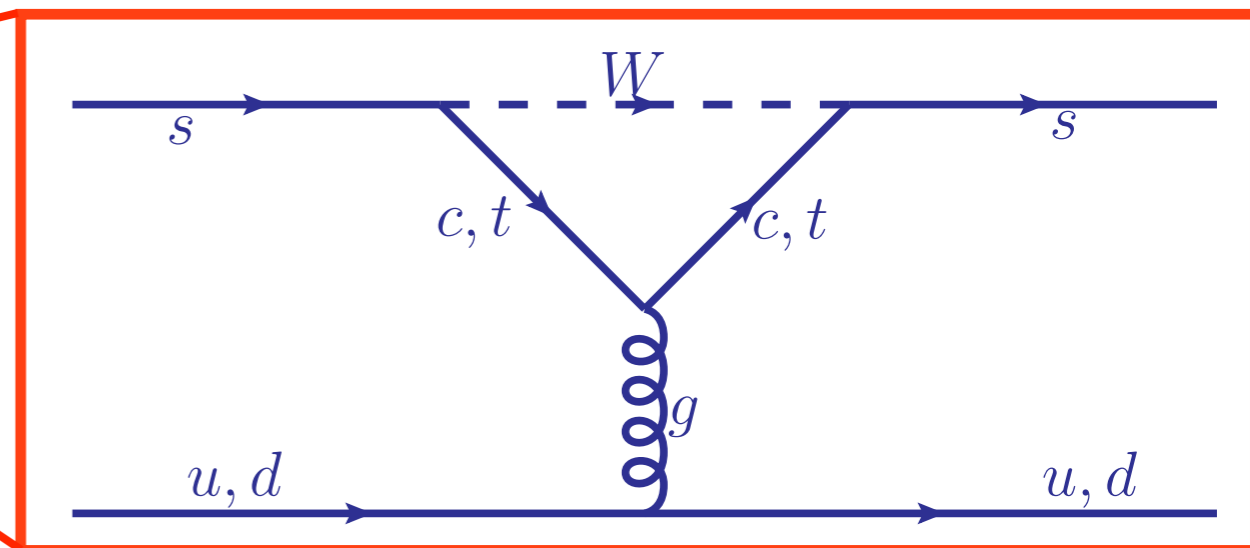
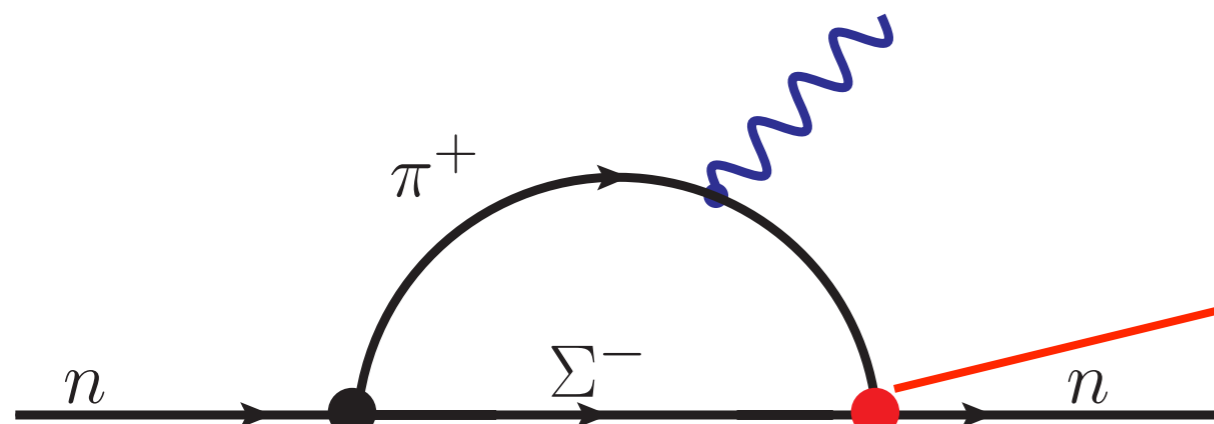
V. Baluni, Phys. Rev. D 19, 2227 (1979)  
R.J. Crewther et al., Phys. Lett. 88, 123 (1979)



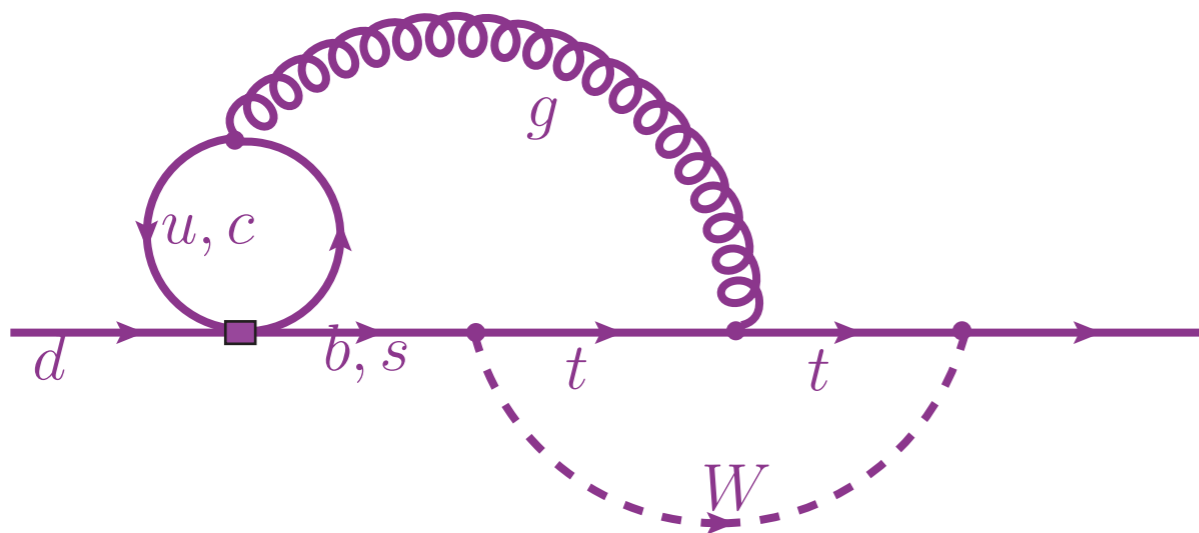
# Standard Model and Beyond

EDMs in the SM and MSSM are generated via radiative corrections.

**SM:** e.g. two-loop e.w. + strong penguin graphs :



and three- or more loop graphs, e.g:

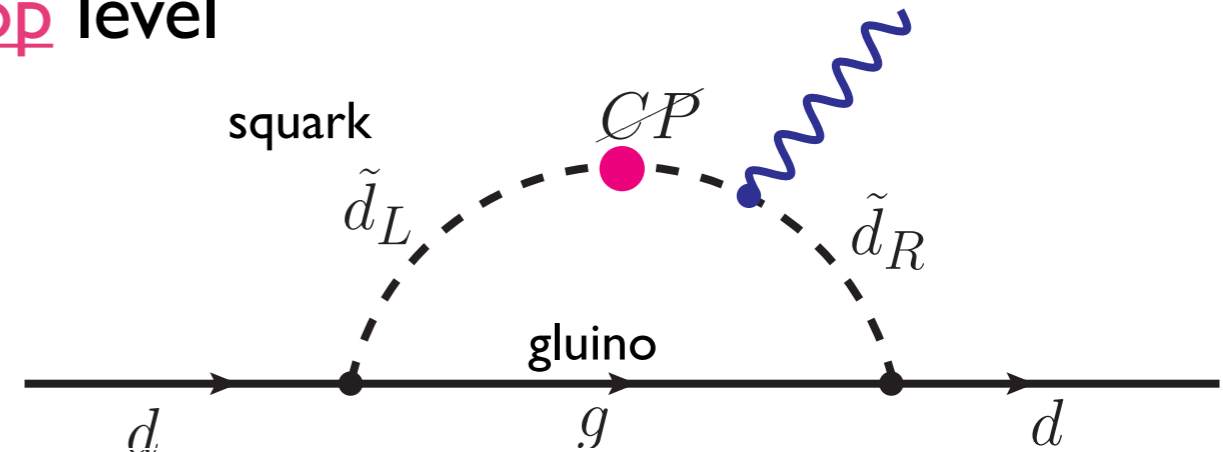


$$\rightarrow d_E(n) \approx 10^{-32} - 10^{-31} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm}$$

# Sensitivity to New Physics

In SUSY models (MSSM): EDMs at one-loop level

$$\rightarrow d_E(n) \approx 10^{-28} - 10^{-26} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm}$$



- New physics (Supersymmetry (SUSY)) has (many) additional  $\not{CP}$  phases in added couplings
- Flavor and gaugino mass universality: only two phases survive in (C)MSSM  
 $\rightarrow \theta_\mu, \theta_A$
- Sensitivity to  $M_{\text{SUSY}}$  (4-generations):

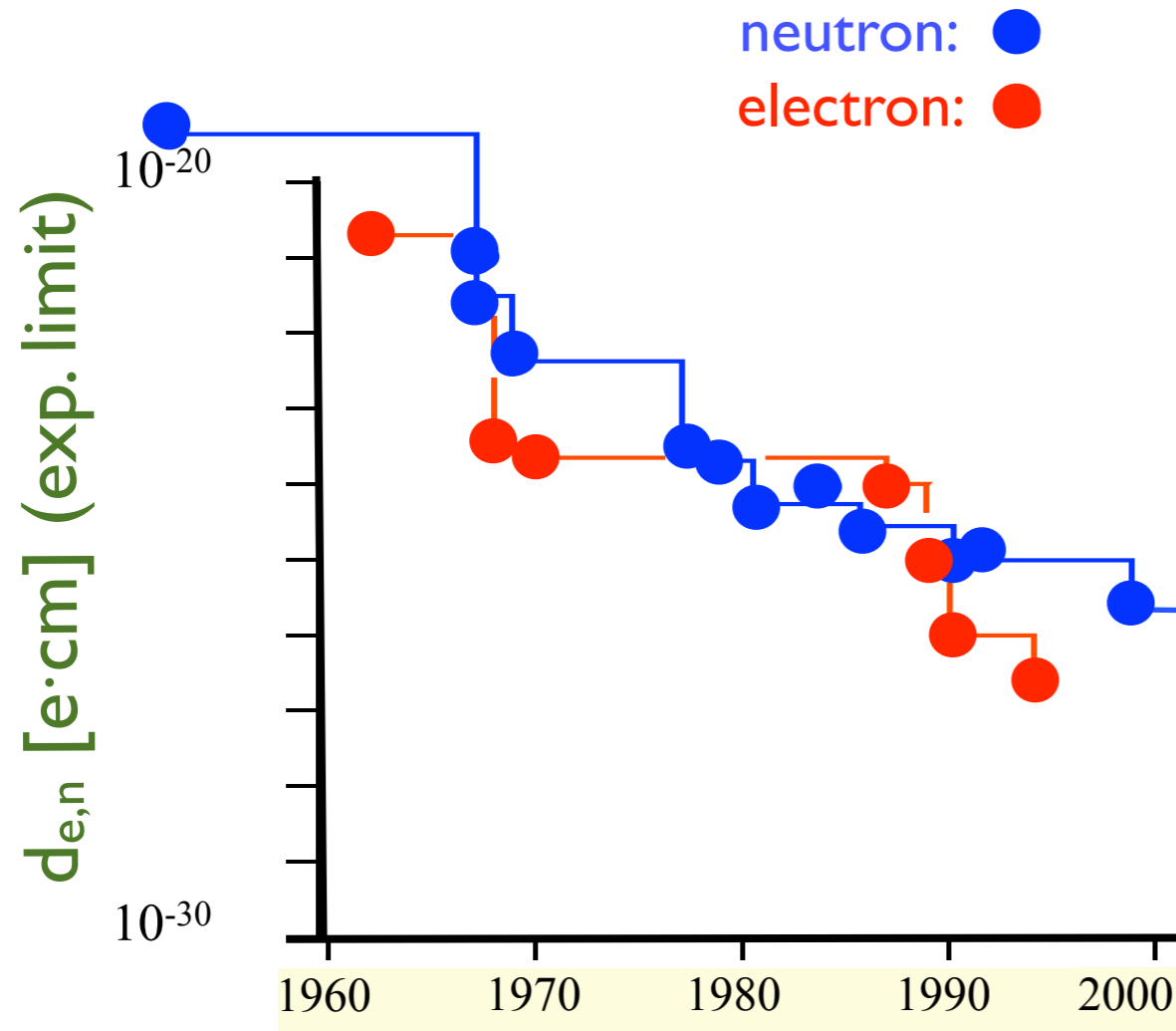
$$d_n \sim \text{Im}(V_{ts}^* V_{tb'} V_{cb'}^* V_{cs}) \left( \frac{1200 \text{ GeV}}{M_{\text{SUSY}}} \right)^2 \cdot 2.5 \times 10^{-23} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm}$$

C. Hamzaoui, M. Pospelov, and R. Roiban; PRD 56, 4295 (1997)

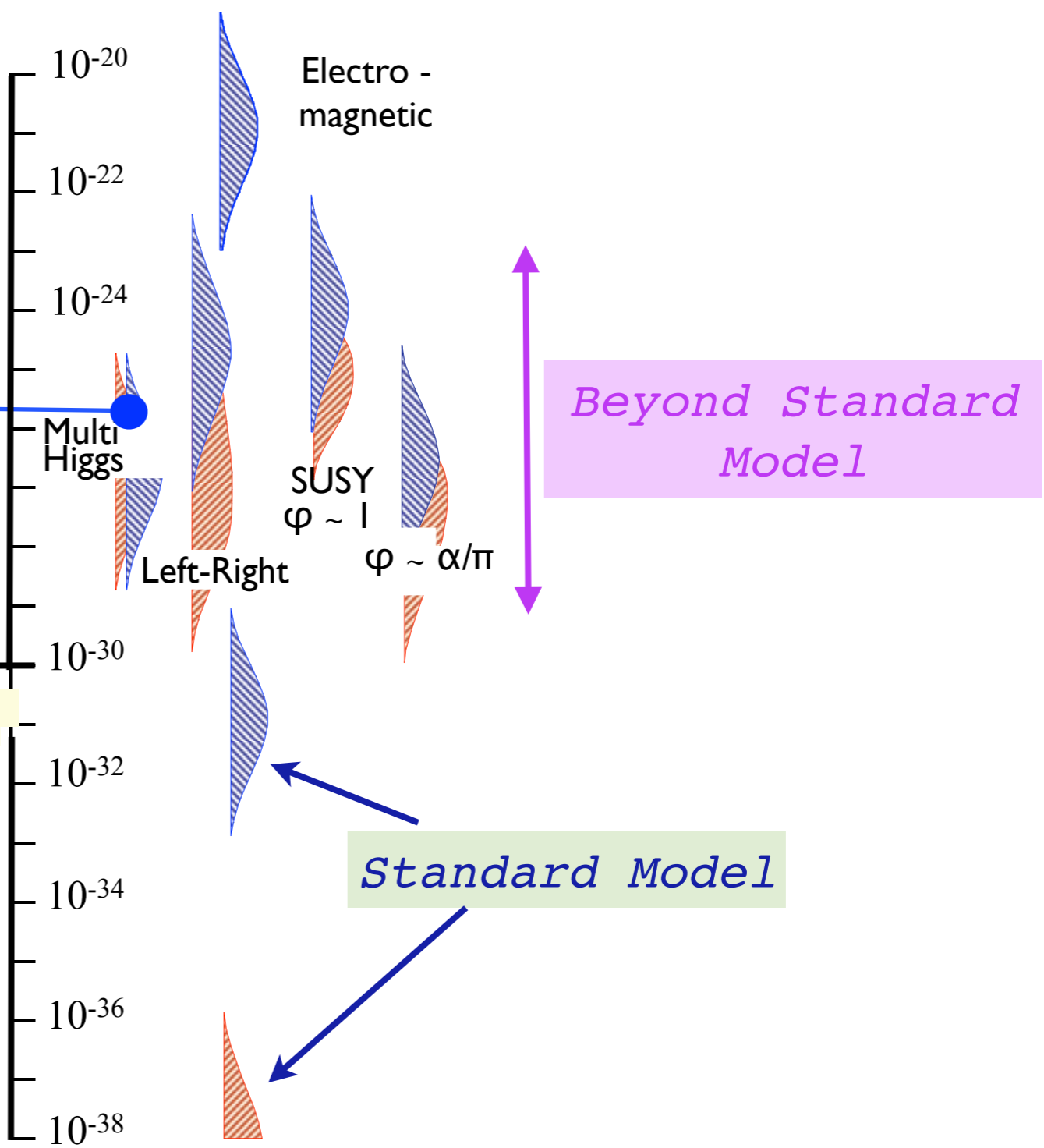
**Assuming** :  $\text{Im}(V_{ts}^* V_{tb'} V_{cb'}^* V_{cs}) \approx 10^{-3}$

$$\rightarrow d_n \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-28} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm} \leftrightarrow M_{\text{SUSY}} \sim 11 \text{ TeV}$$

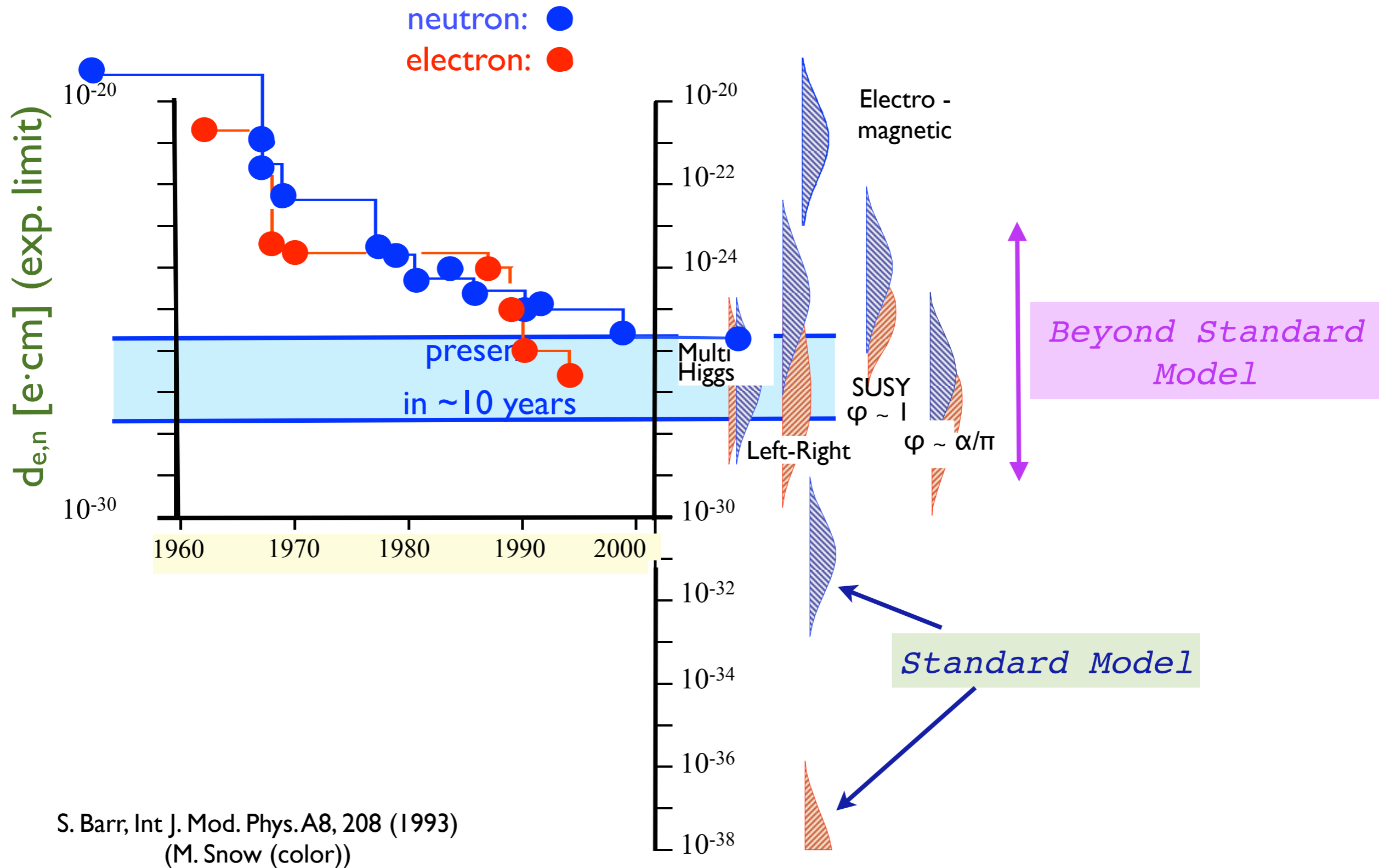
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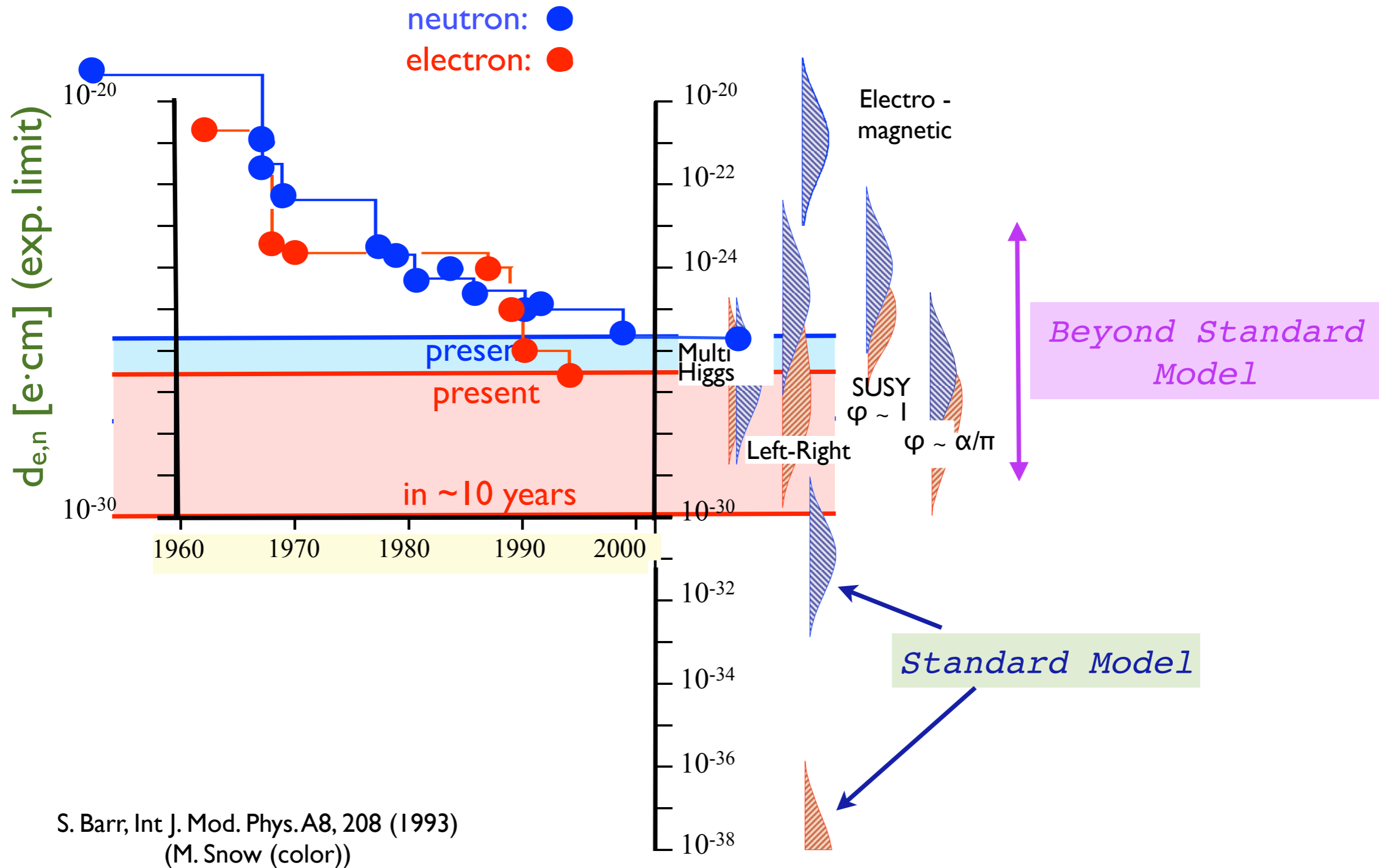
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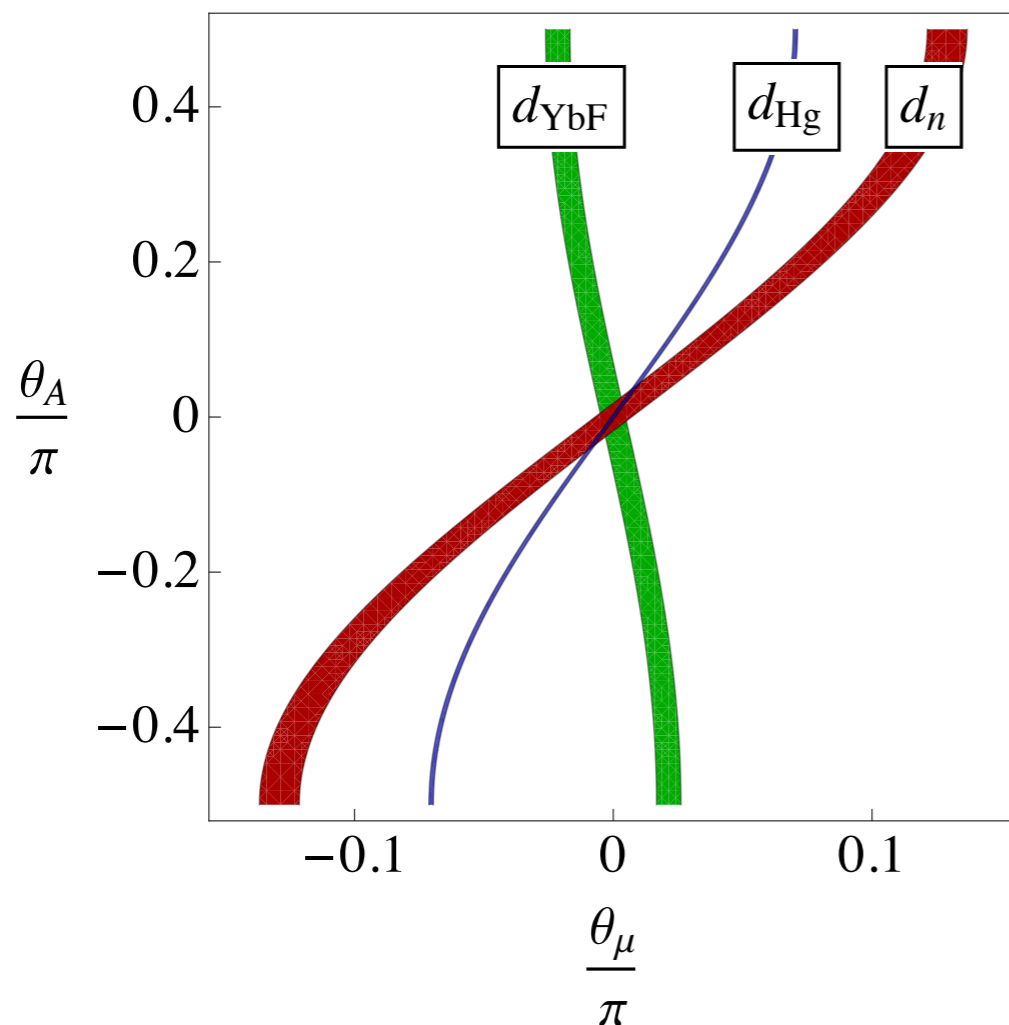
# Constraining SUSY Parameters

→ Need high precision low and high energy experiments to explore physics beyond the SM: EDM measurements on atoms, molecules, nucleons, electrons, ... + collider physics (LHC).

Example: Constraining  $\mathcal{CP}$  phases in CMSSM:

Before LHC ....

$M_{susy} = 500 \text{ GeV}$



$$\tan\beta = \frac{\langle h_u^0 \rangle}{\langle h_d^0 \rangle} = 3$$

$\langle h_u^0 \rangle, \langle h_d^0 \rangle \rightarrow$  VEVs of neutral Higgs doublet,  $\tan\beta$  measure of EW symmetry breaking.

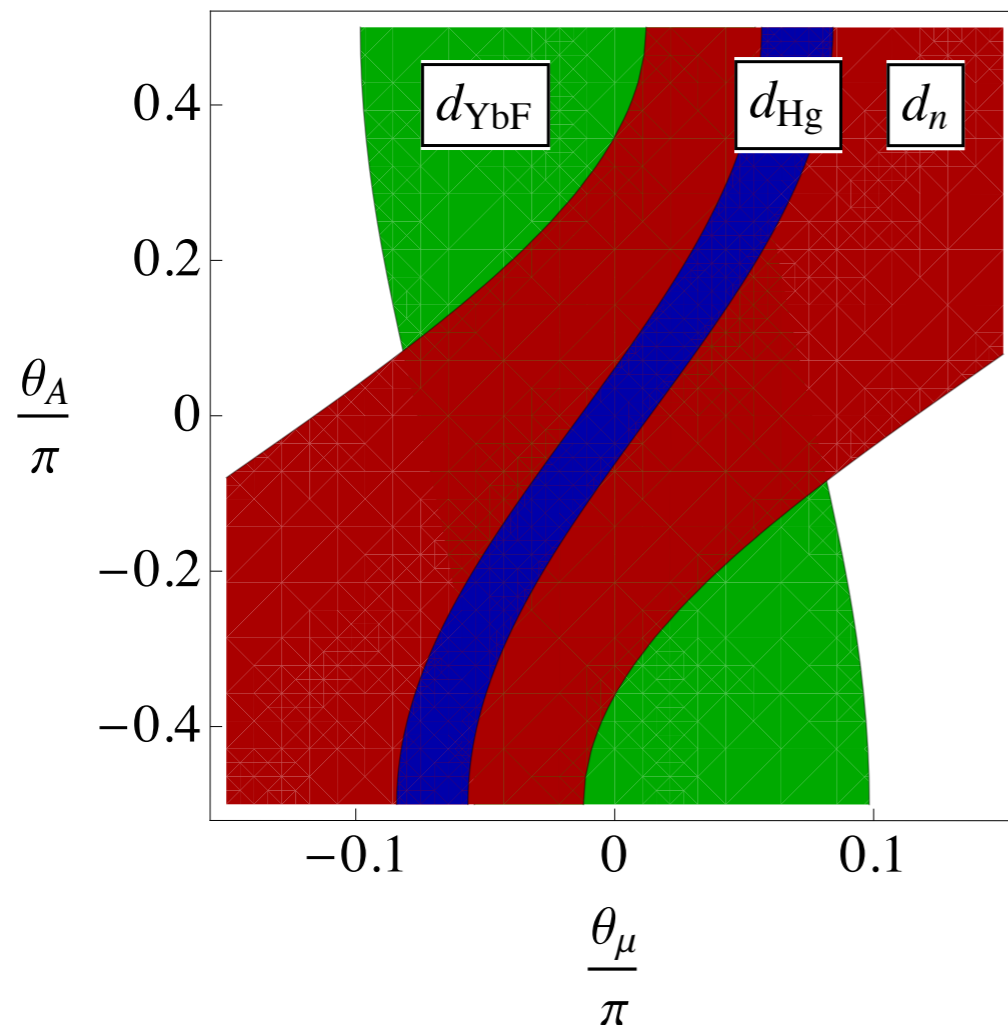
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Example: **Constraining CP phases in CMSSM:**

Now ....

$M_{susy} = 2 \text{ TeV}$



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$\langle h_u^0 \rangle, \langle h_d^0 \rangle \rightarrow$  VEVs of neutral Higgs doublet,  
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# How are Permanent (Atomic) EDMs generated?

## Atomic EDMs:

- intrinsic EDM of the electron
- $P$  and  $T$  violating electron-electron interaction
- $P$  and  $T$  violating electron-nucleon interaction
- intrinsic EDM of the nucleon
- $P$  and  $T$  violation nucleon-nucleon interaction

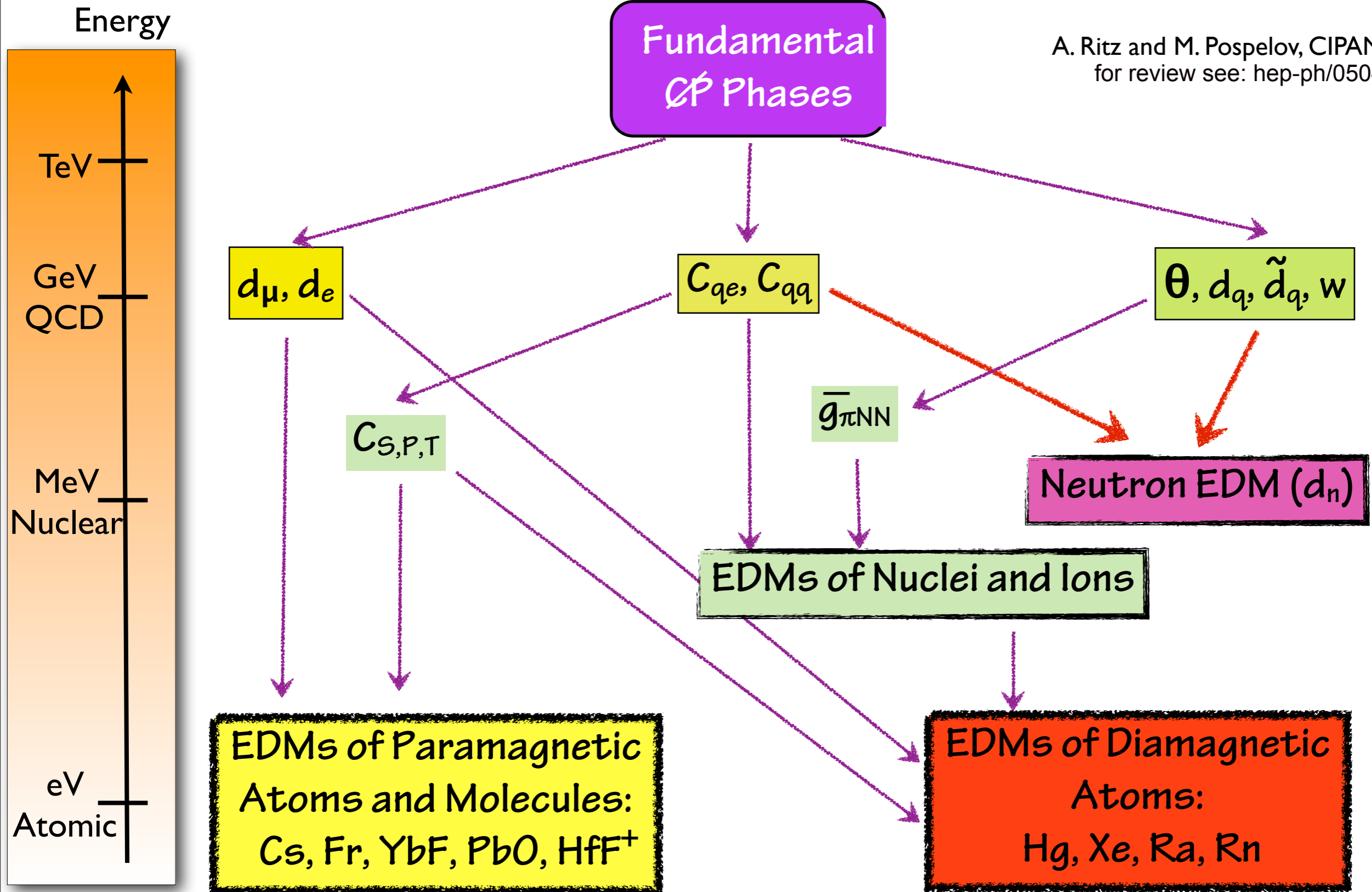
## Nucleon EDMs:

- \* intrinsic EDMs of quarks
- \*  $P$  and  $T$  violating quark-quark interaction
- \*  $\theta$ -term (CPV in QCD Lagrangian):  
nEDM  $\rightarrow \theta < 10^{-10}$  !! “ $\theta$ -term puzzle”



# Energy scales involved

A. Ritz and M. Pospelov, CIPANP 2009  
for review see: hep-ph/0504231



# Present and Future Status of Limits on EDMs

List is not comprehensive ....

| particle                | Present limit (>90% c.l.) [e·cm] | Laboratory                | Possible Sensitivity [e·cm] | SM Prediction   |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| e- ( <sup>205</sup> Tl) | $1.6 \times 10^{-27}$            | Berkely                   |                             |                 |
| e- (YbF)                |                                  | I.C. London               | $\sim 10^{-28}$             |                 |
| e- (WC)                 | $1.05 \times 10^{-27}$           | U. Michigan               | $\sim 10^{-30}$             | $< 10^{-39}$    |
| e- (HfH <sup>+</sup> )  |                                  | Jila                      | $\sim 10^{-31}$             |                 |
| e- (ThO)                |                                  | Harvard                   | $\sim 10^{-31}$             |                 |
| e- (GGG)                |                                  | IU, Yale                  | $\sim 10^{-30}$             |                 |
| $\mu$                   | $1.8 \times 10^{-19}$            | BNL                       | $< 10^{-24}$                |                 |
| $\mu$                   | $1.1 \times 10^{-18}$            | CERN                      |                             |                 |
| n                       | $2.9 \times 10^{-26}$            | ILL                       | $\sim 3 \times 10^{-28}$    | $\sim 10^{-32}$ |
| n                       |                                  | ILL                       |                             |                 |
| n                       |                                  | PSI                       |                             |                 |
| n                       |                                  | SNS                       |                             |                 |
| p( <sup>199</sup> Hg)   | $8 \times 10^{-25}$              | Seattle                   | $2 \times 10^{-25}$         | $< 10^{-31}$    |
| p,d                     |                                  | COSY, BNL                 | $\sim 10^{-29}$             |                 |
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| <sup>129</sup> Xe       | $3.3 \times 10^{-27}$            | U. Michigan,              | $\sim 10^{-31}$             | $\sim 10^{-34}$ |
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| <sup>225</sup> Ra       |                                  | Tokyo                     | $\sim 10^{-29}$             |                 |
| <sup>223</sup> Rn       |                                  | ANL, KVI                  | $\sim 10^{-29}$             |                 |
|                         |                                  | TRIUMF                    | $\sim 10^{-28}$             |                 |

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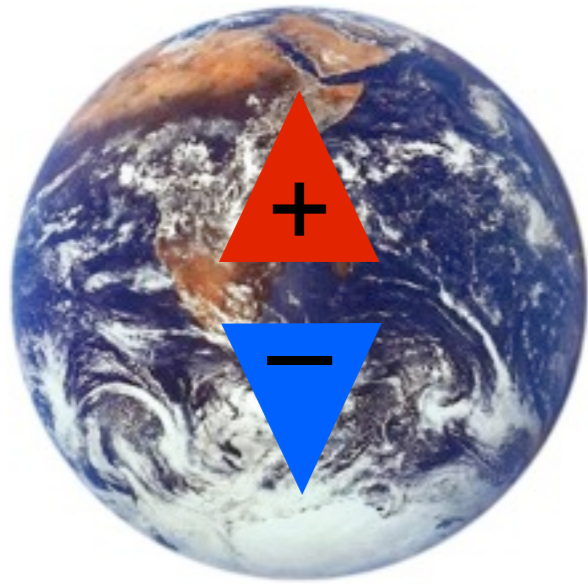
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| n                       | $2.9 \times 10^{-26}$            |                           | $\sim 10^{-28}$             | $\sim 10^{-32}$ |
| n                       |                                  |                           | $\sim 5 \times 10^{-28}$    |                 |
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**Non-zero EDM in next generation experiments: New Physics**

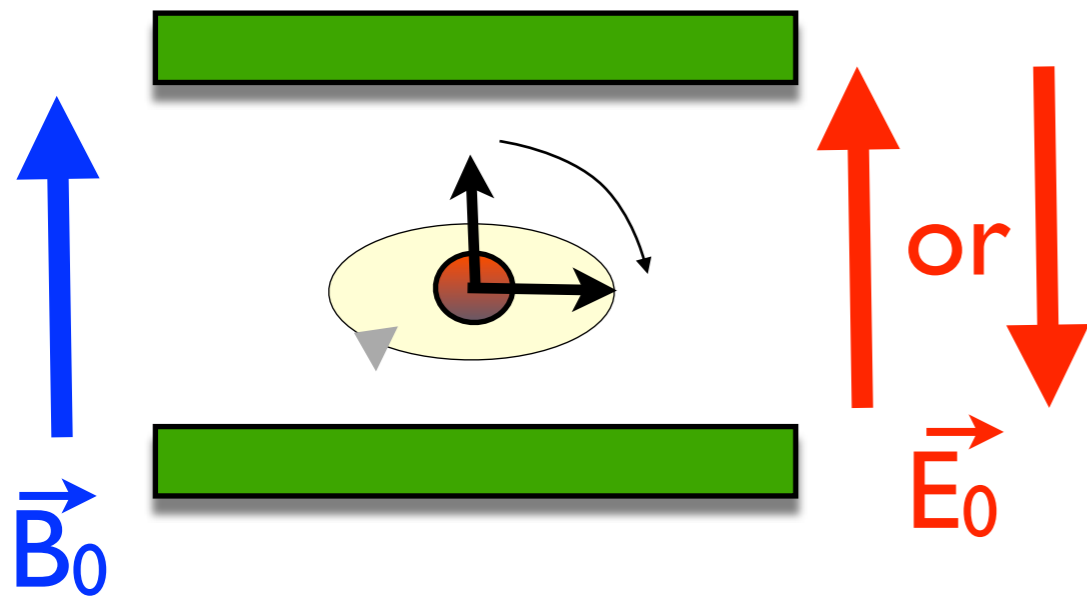
# Sensitivity of Neutron EDM Measurements

If  $d_n = 10^{-28} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm}$ :



- Scale Neutron to **size of Earth**:  
charge separation: 40 nm  
(human hair:  $\sim 40 \mu\text{m}$ )
- Precession rate in E-field:  
1 rev. in 26.4 years (50 kV/cm)  
or same precession in B-field:  
 $B \sim 5 \cdot 10^{-16} \text{ T}$

# Basic Concept of EDM Searches



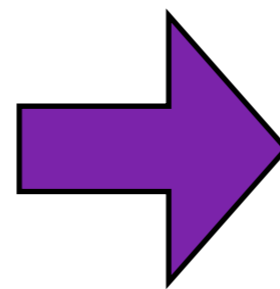
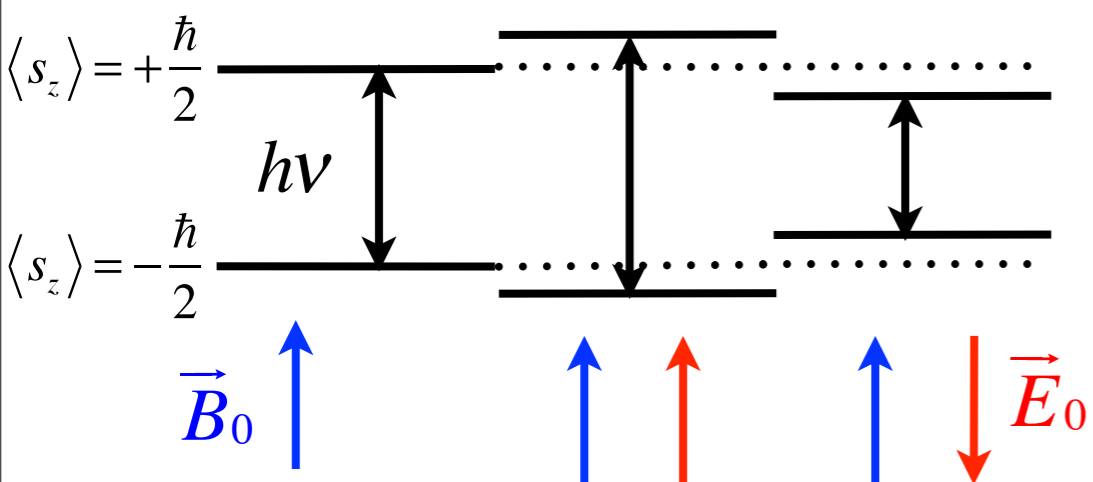
- $B_0$  very small
- $E_0$  very large

- Transversely polarized particles in region of fixed uniform magnetic field,  $B_0$ , and a static uniform electric field,  $E_0$ :

$$h\nu = 2(\mu \cdot B_0 \pm d \cdot E_0)$$

- Reverse  $E_0$ :  $d = \frac{h\Delta\nu}{4E_0}$
- Statistical uncertainty:

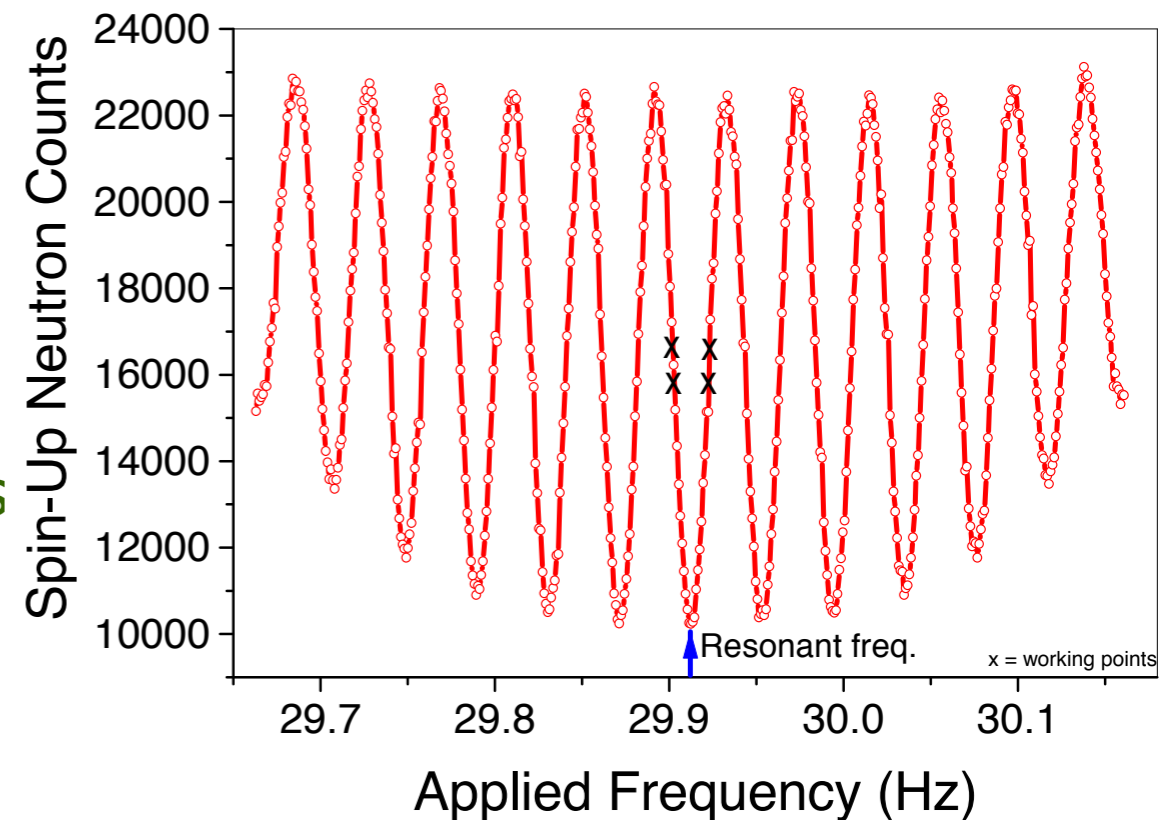
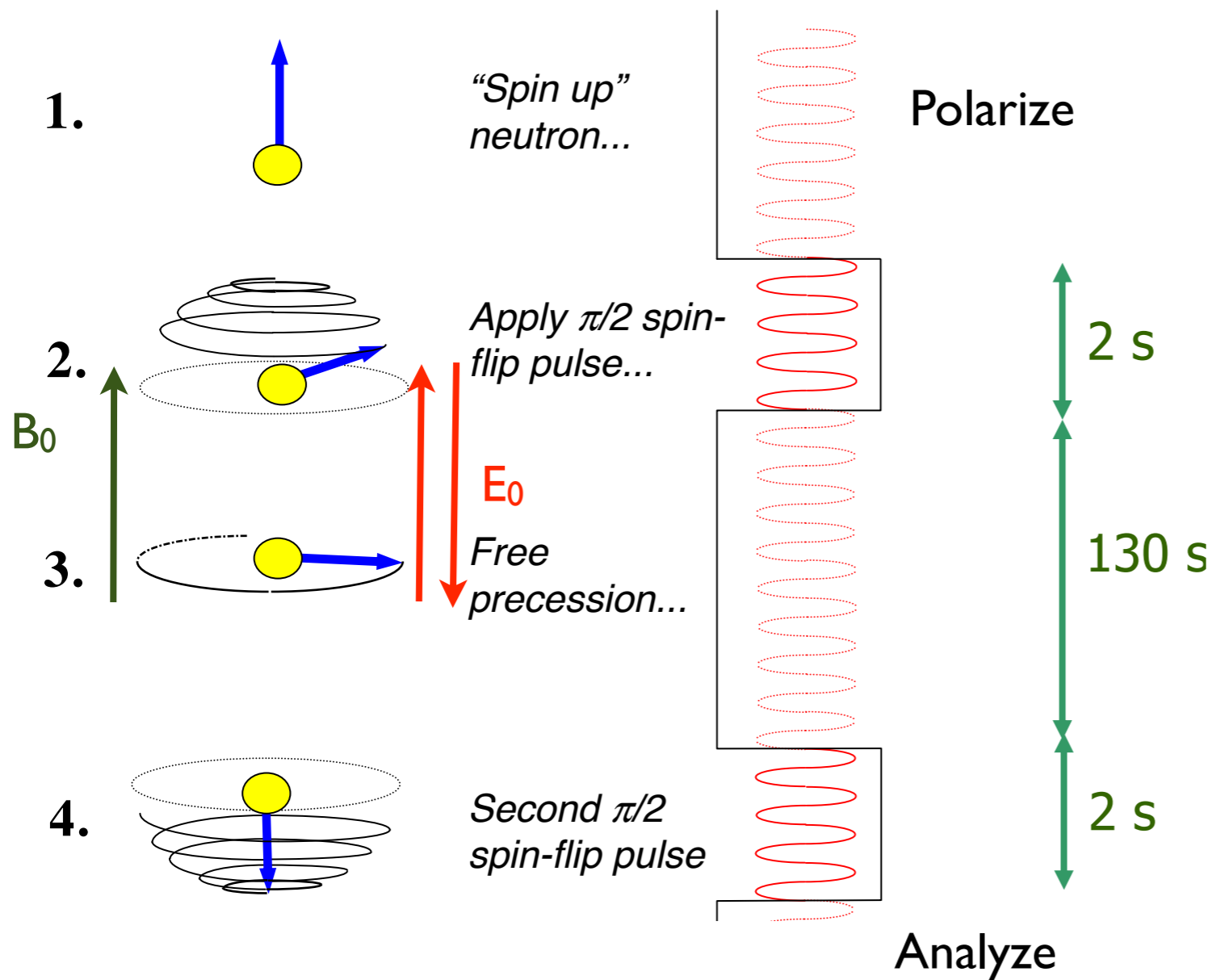
$$\sigma \approx \frac{\hbar}{2\alpha E_0 T_m \sqrt{Nm}}$$



- ◆ Large number of particles ( $N$ )
- ◆ High electric field ( $E_0$ )
- ◆ Long measuring time ( $T_m$ )
- ◆ Many cycles ( $m$ )
- ◆ High Polarization ( $\alpha$ )

# Basic Concept for Most EDM Searches

## Ramsey's method of separated oscillatory fields



# Worldwide Efforts in EDM Searches

## Atoms

Hg (Univ. Wash.)  
Xe (Princeton)  
Xe (Tokyo Tech.)  
Xe (TUM)  
Xe (Mainz)  
Cs (Penn. State)  
Cs (Univ. Texas)  
Fr (RCNP/CYRIC)  
Rn (TRIUMF)  
Ra (ANL)  
Ra (KVI)  
Yb (Kyoto)

## Molecules

YBf (London)  
PbO (Yale)  
ThO (Harvard)  
HfF<sup>+</sup> (JILA)  
WC (Uni. Mich.)  
PbF (Oklahoma)

## Muons

$\mu$  (FNAL)  
 $\mu$  (J-PARC)

## Ions

BNL  
FZJ (COSY)

## Neutrons

n (ILL)  
n (ILL, PNPI)  
n (PSI)  
n (FRM-2)  
n (RCNP, TRIUMF)  
n (SNS)  
n (J-PARC)

## Solids

GGG (Indiana Univ.)  
Ferro-electrics (Yale)

# Technological Advances

## Atoms

Laser cooling and  
atom trapping  
Improved Lasers

## Atoms

Evade Schiff's Theorem: finite size nuclei  
Relativistic effects:  $d_A \sim \alpha^2 Z^3 d_e$   
Highly deformed nuclei  
Closely spaced parity doublets

## Neutrons

Intense UCN sources  
Efficient UCN production

Factor

$\approx 100$

Improvement

## Molecules

Polar Molecules: Huge  
intrinsic E-fields:  $< 100$  GV/cm  
Improved Lasers

## Neutrons, Atoms, Solids

Improved Magnetometry: SQUIDs,  
Co-Magnetometers

## Ions

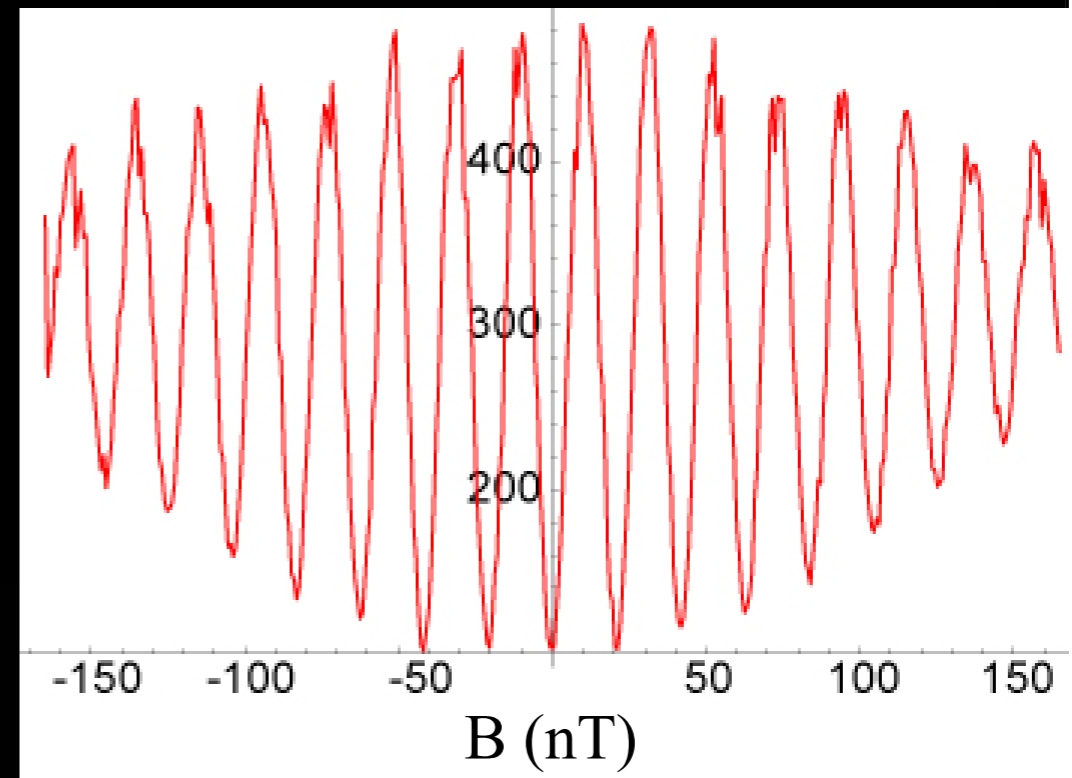
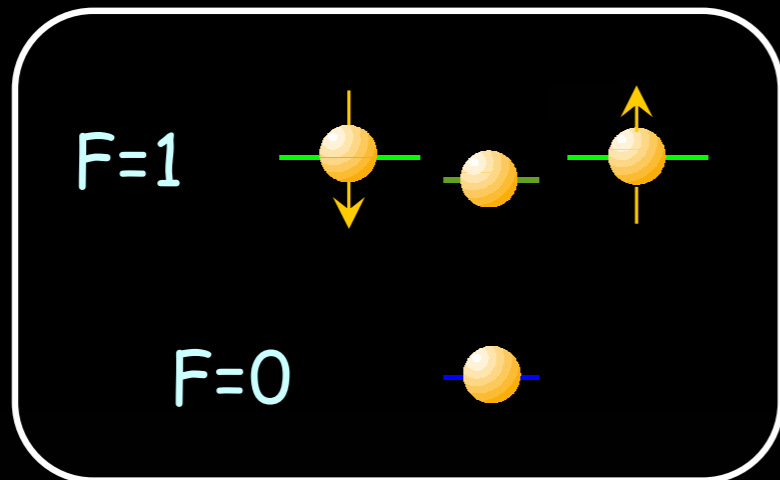
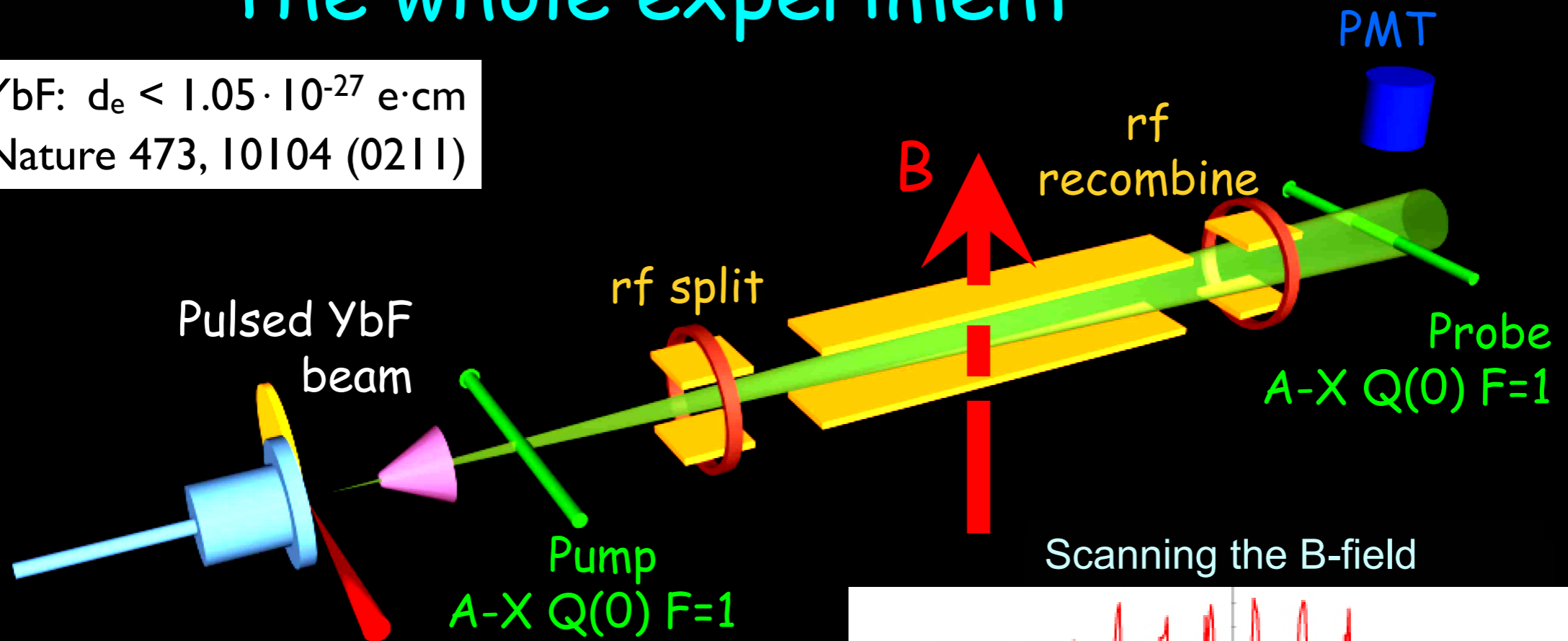
Storage Rings: Electric  
and Magnetic



# Electron EDM ( $YbF$ )

## The whole experiment

$YbF: d_e < 1.05 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm}$   
Nature 473, 10104 (0211)

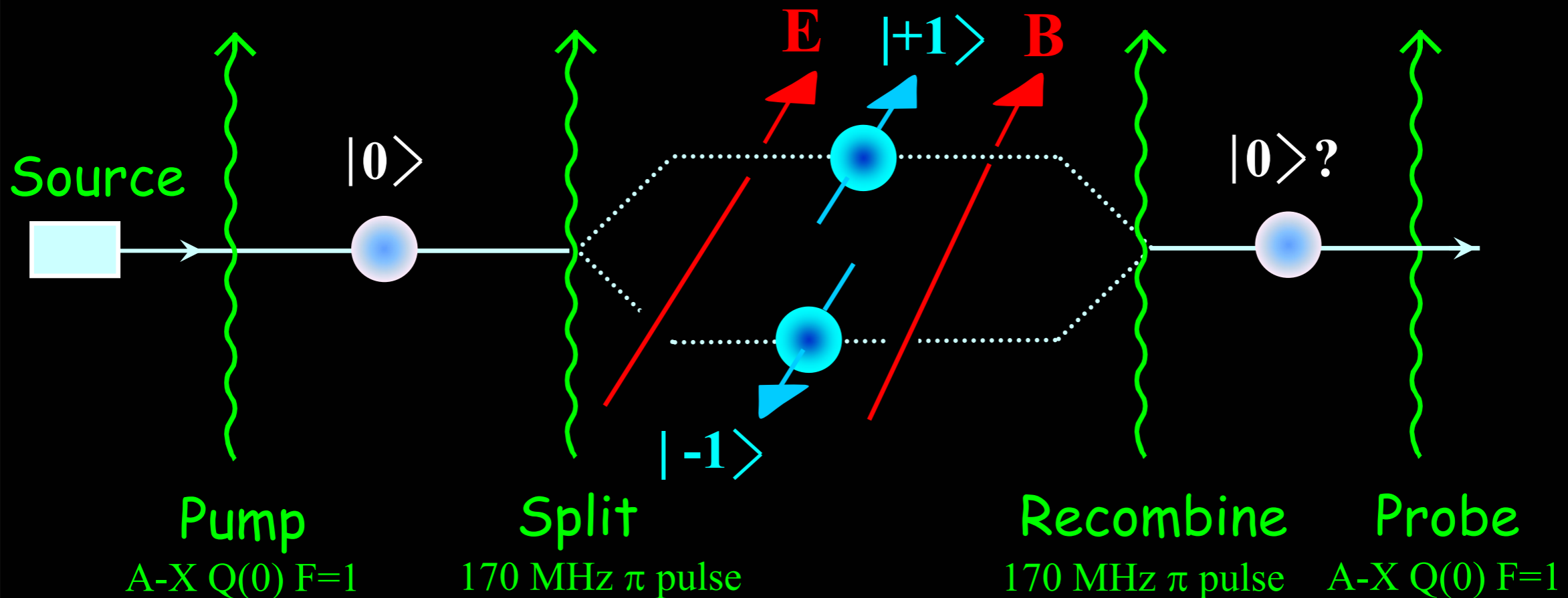
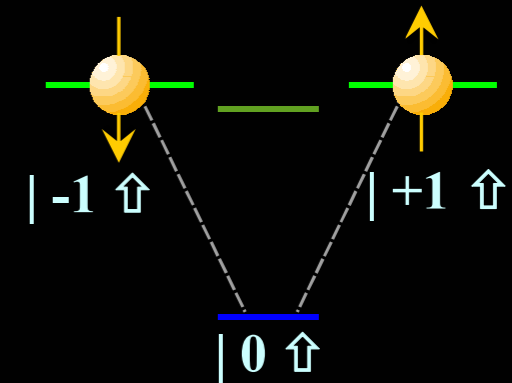


E. Hinds, Lepton Moments, Cape Cod (2006)

# Electron EDM ( $YbF$ )

## Interferometer to measure $2d_e\eta E$

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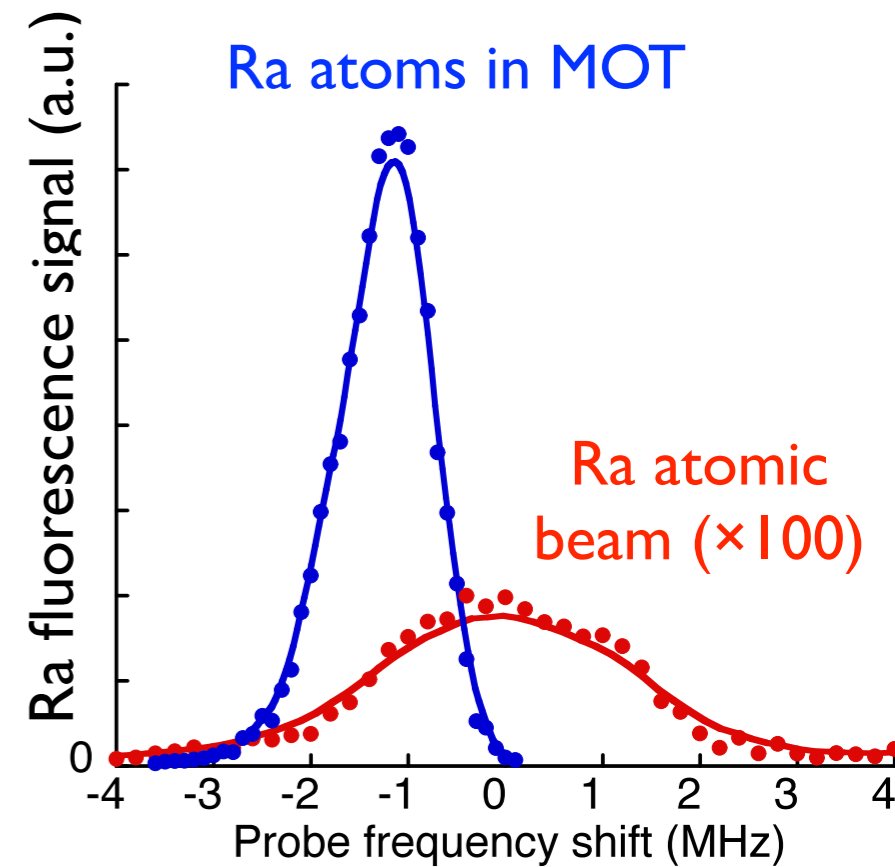
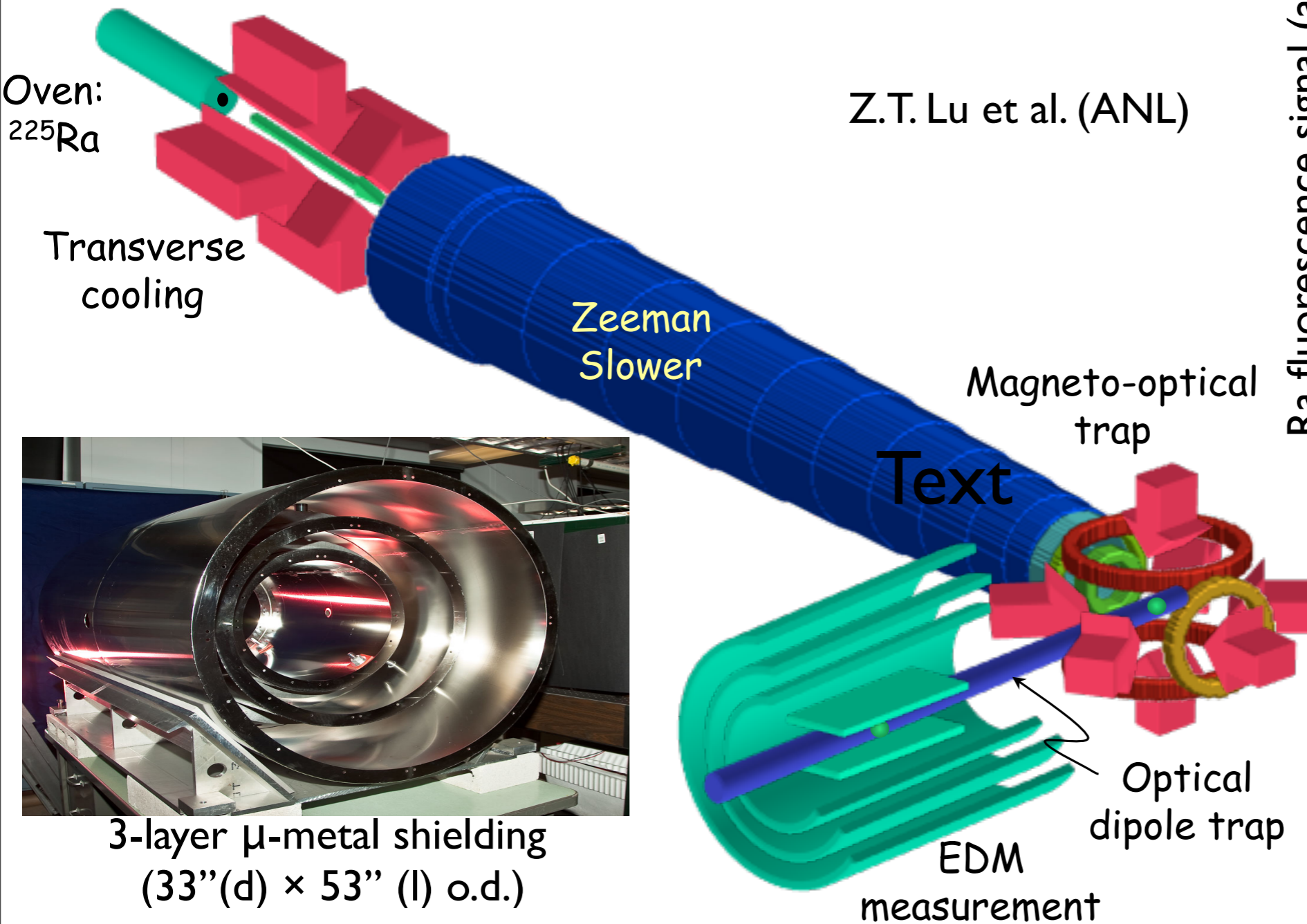


$$\text{Phase difference} = 2 (\mu B + d_e \eta E) T / \hbar$$

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# Atomic (Nuclear) EDM: $^{225}\text{Ra}$

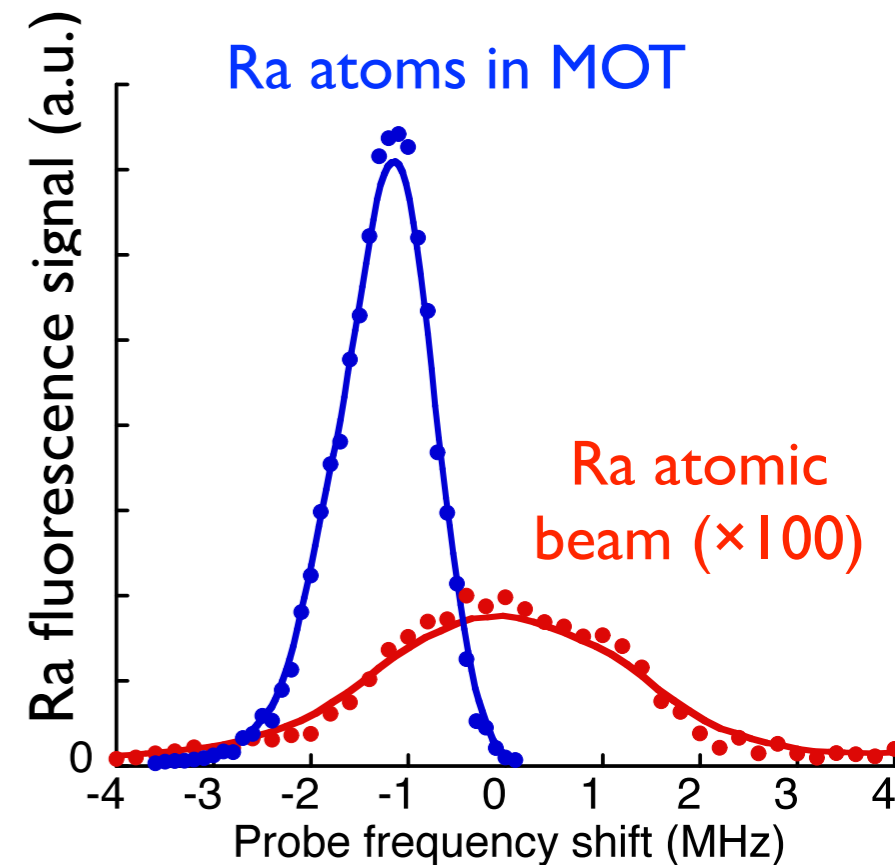
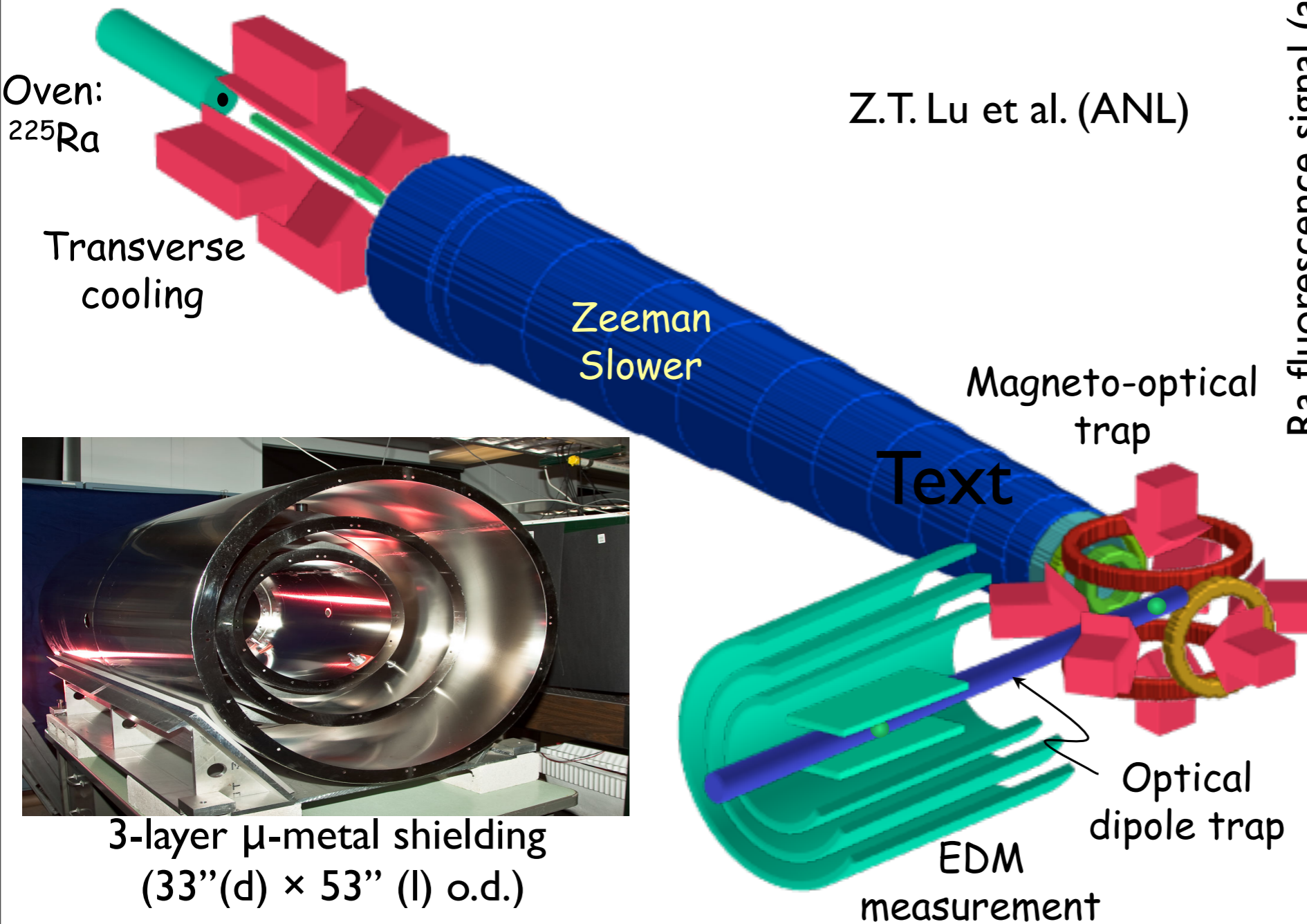
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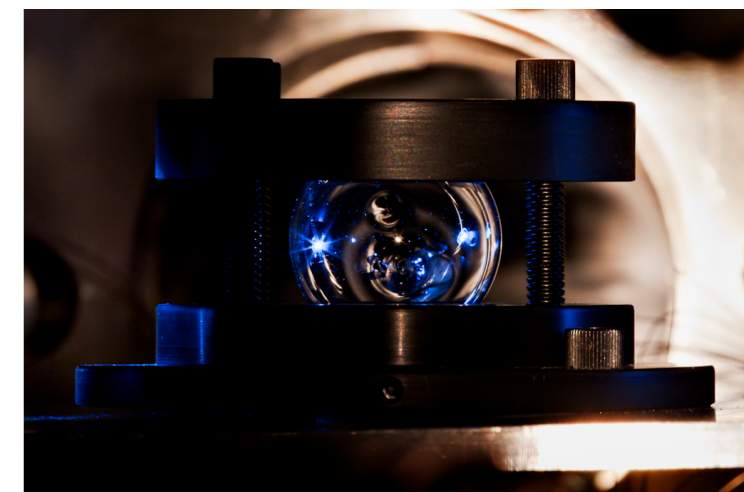
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paraffin coated Rb cell (magnetometer)

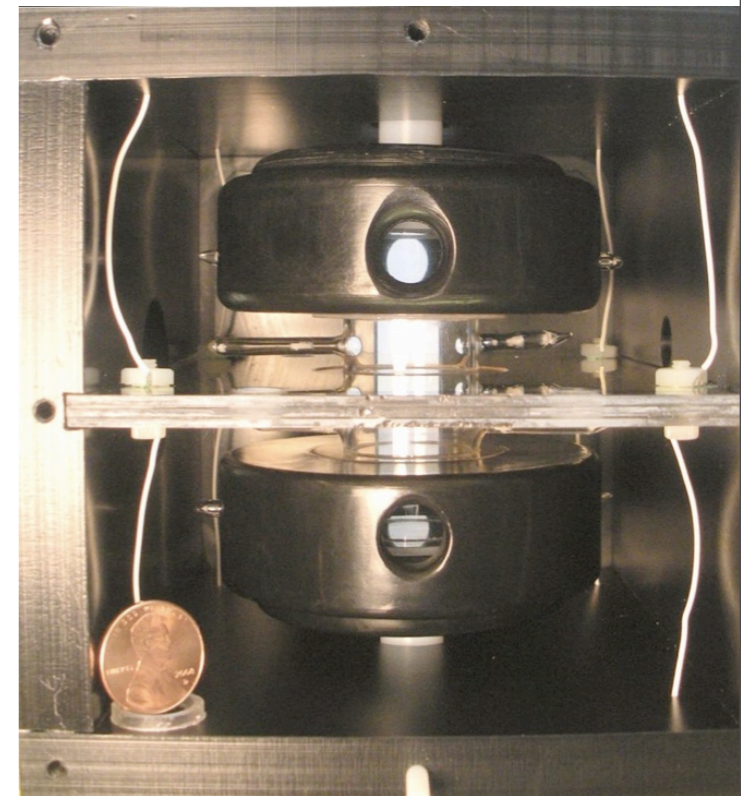
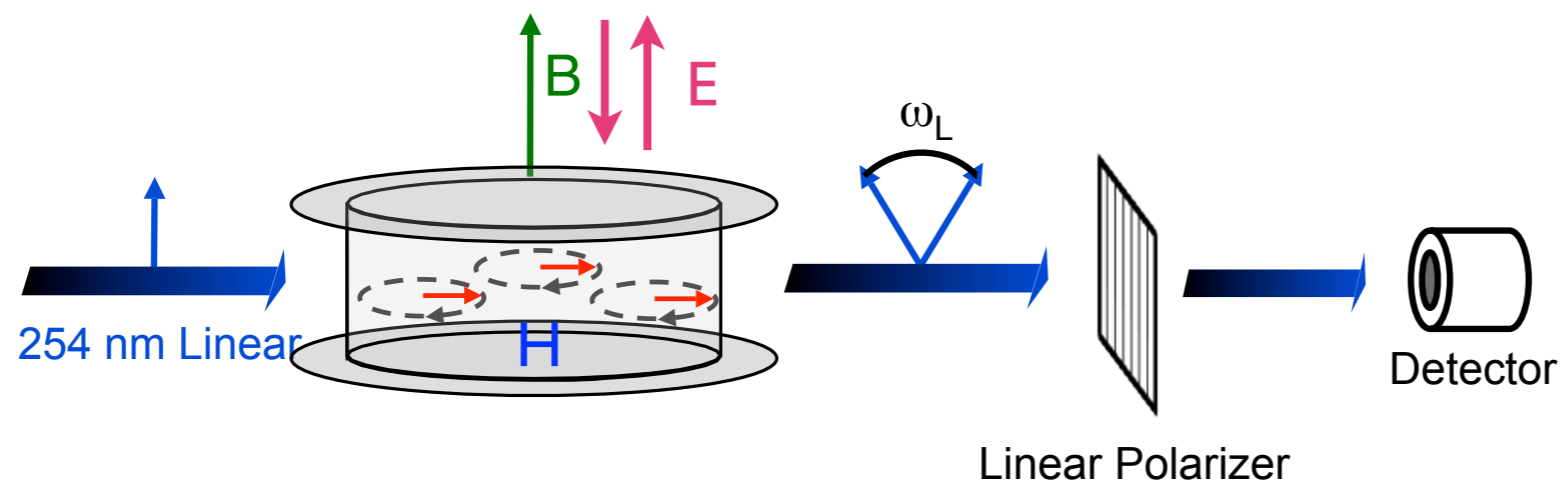


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# Atomic (Nuclear) EDM: $^{199}\text{Hg}$

University of Washington (Seattle):  $^{199}\text{Hg}$

Measure  $\omega_L$  via Optical Rotation



$$\rightarrow |d_{^{199}\text{Hg}}| < 3.1 \times 10^{-29} \text{ e cm (95\% c.l.)}$$

W.C. Griffith et al., PRL 102, 101601 (2009)

$$\delta(\Delta V_{\text{EDM}}) = 0.85 \text{ nHz (stat.)}, \nu_L = 16 \text{ Hz}$$

**Best absolute EDM measurement so far!!!**

# Atomic (Nuclear) EDM: $^{199}\text{Hg}$

Limits on CP-odd parameters from  $^{199}\text{Hg}$

If EDM is dominated by:

| Parameter                       | $^{199}\text{Hg}$ bound | Hg theory | Best alternate limit           |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| $\tilde{d}_q$ (cm) <sup>a</sup> | $6 \times 10^{-27}$     | [15]      | n: $3 \times 10^{-26}$ [3]     |
| $d_p$ (e cm)                    | $7.9 \times 10^{-25}$   | [16]      | TlF: $6 \times 10^{-23}$ [17]  |
| $C_S$                           | $5.2 \times 10^{-8}$    | [18]      | Tl: $2.4 \times 10^{-7}$ [19]  |
| $C_P$                           | $5.1 \times 10^{-7}$    | [18]      | TlF: $3 \times 10^{-4}$ [1]    |
| $C_T$                           | $1.5 \times 10^{-9}$    | [18]      | TlF: $4.5 \times 10^{-7}$ [1]  |
| $\bar{\theta}_{\text{QCD}}$     | $3 \times 10^{-10}$     | [20]      | n: $1 \times 10^{-10}$ [3]     |
| $d_n$ (e cm)                    | $5.8 \times 10^{-26}$   | [16]      | n: $2.9 \times 10^{-26}$ [3]   |
| $d_e$ (e cm)                    | $3 \times 10^{-27}$     | [21,22]   | Tl: $1.6 \times 10^{-27}$ [18] |

<sup>a</sup>For  $^{199}\text{Hg}$ ,  $\tilde{d}_q = (\tilde{d}_u - \tilde{d}_d)$ , while for n,  $\tilde{d}_q = (0.5\tilde{d}_u + \tilde{d}_d)$ .

One measurement!

W.C. Griffith et al., PRL 102, 101601 (2009)

# Light Ion EDMs

Protons, deuterons, ... : charged particles in E-fields?

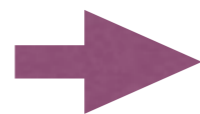
Polarized particles in storage rings:

In rest frame of particle: for  $\vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{B} = \vec{\beta} \cdot \vec{E} = 0$  spin motion relative to momentum is given by  $\frac{d\vec{S}_{rf}}{dt_{rf}} = \vec{\Omega} \times \vec{S}_{rf}$

Thomas - BMT Equation:

$$\vec{\Omega} = -\frac{q}{m_0} \left\{ G\vec{B} + \left( \frac{1}{\gamma^2 - 1} - G \right) \left( \frac{\vec{\beta} \times \vec{E}}{c} \right) + d \frac{m_0 c}{q\hbar CS} \left( \frac{\vec{E}}{c} + \vec{\beta} \times \vec{B} \right) \right\}$$

$$G = \frac{g-2}{2}$$



use magnetic and/or electric storage rings

J. Pretz, SSPI2, Groningen 2012

# Light Ion EDMs

Storage ring options: **Pure Electric Ring** and  $\left(\frac{1}{\gamma^2 - 1} - G\right) = 0$ ,

works for  $G > 0$  only

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**Brookhaven National  
Lab: → sensitivity:  
 $\sigma \sim 10^{-29}$  e·cm/year**

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Storage ring options: **Combined Electric and Magnetic Ring and**

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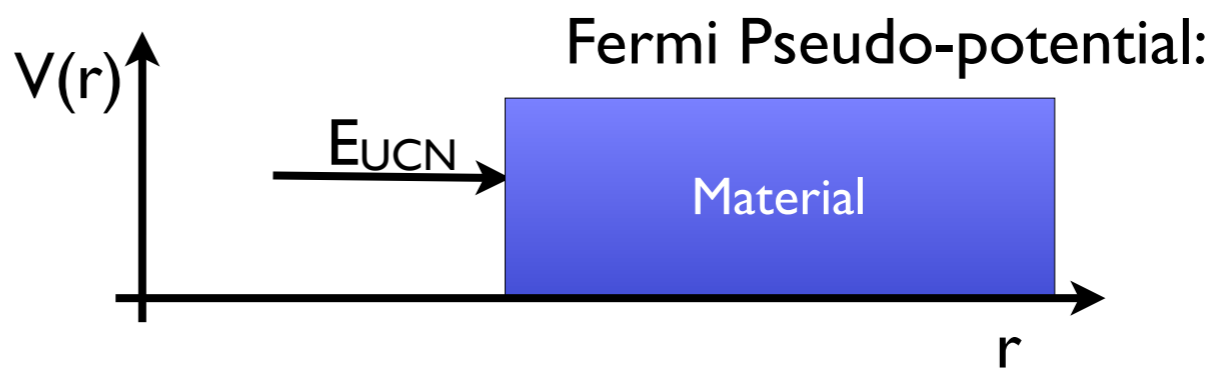
$$\sigma \sim 10^{-24} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm}/\text{year}$$

**JEDI: systematic studies**

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# Neutron EDM: Ultra Cold Neutrons

- $v_n \approx 10 \text{ m/s}$
- $T_n \approx 4 \text{ mK}$
- $\lambda_n \approx 500 \text{ \AA}$
- $E_n \approx 300 \text{ neV}$



Gravitational Interaction:  $V_G = m_n \cdot g \cdot h \approx 103 \text{ neV/m} \cdot h$

Magnetic Interaction:  $V_M = -\mu_n \cdot B \approx \pm 60 \text{ neV/T} \cdot B$

Strong Interaction:

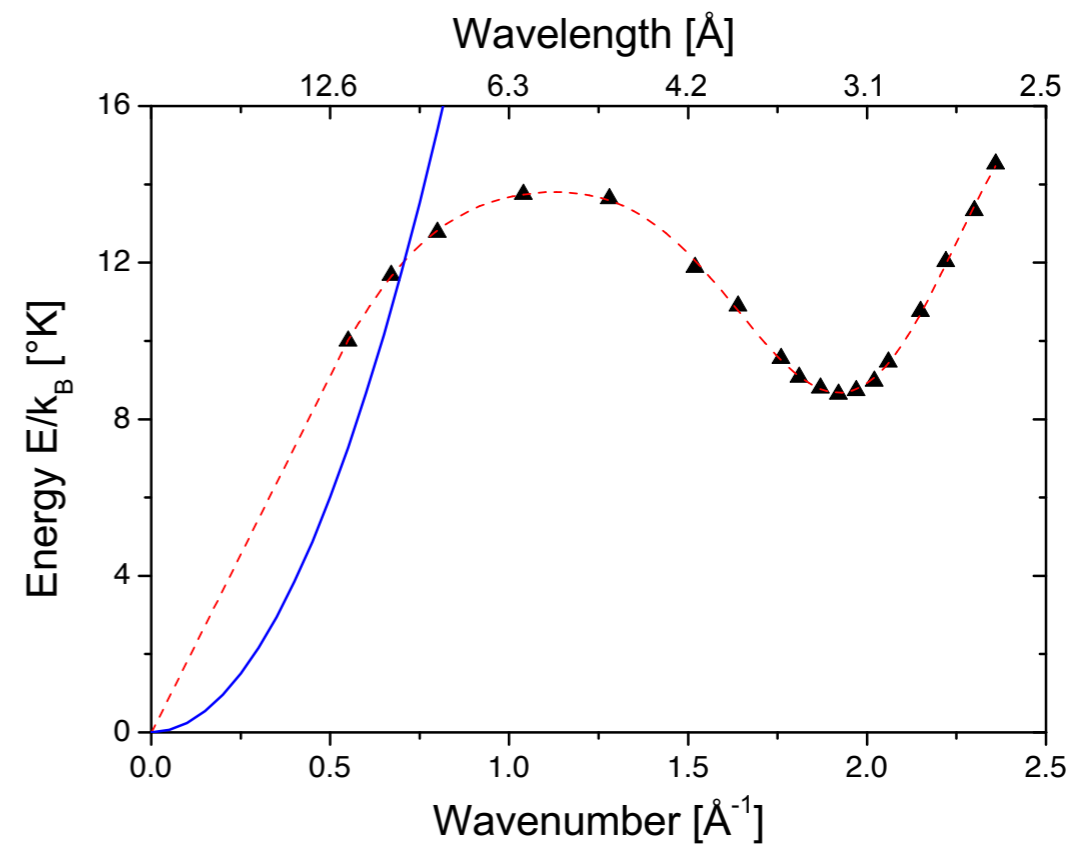
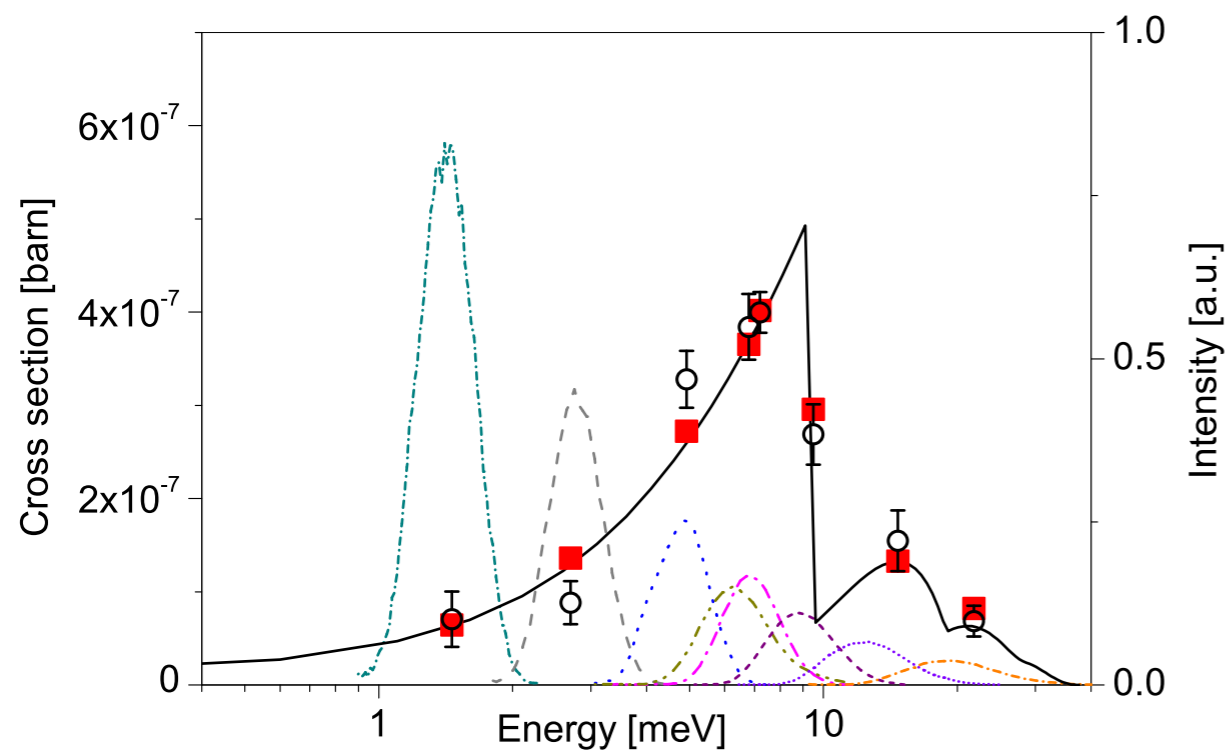
| Material         | $V_F$ [neV] |
|------------------|-------------|
| Ni <sup>58</sup> | 335         |
| BeO              | 261         |
| Teflon           | 123         |
| Al               | 54          |
| H <sub>2</sub> O | -14.7       |
| Ti               | -48         |

UCNs can be trapped gravitationally, in magnetic fields, or in boxes.

# Neutron EDM: Ultra Cold Neutrons

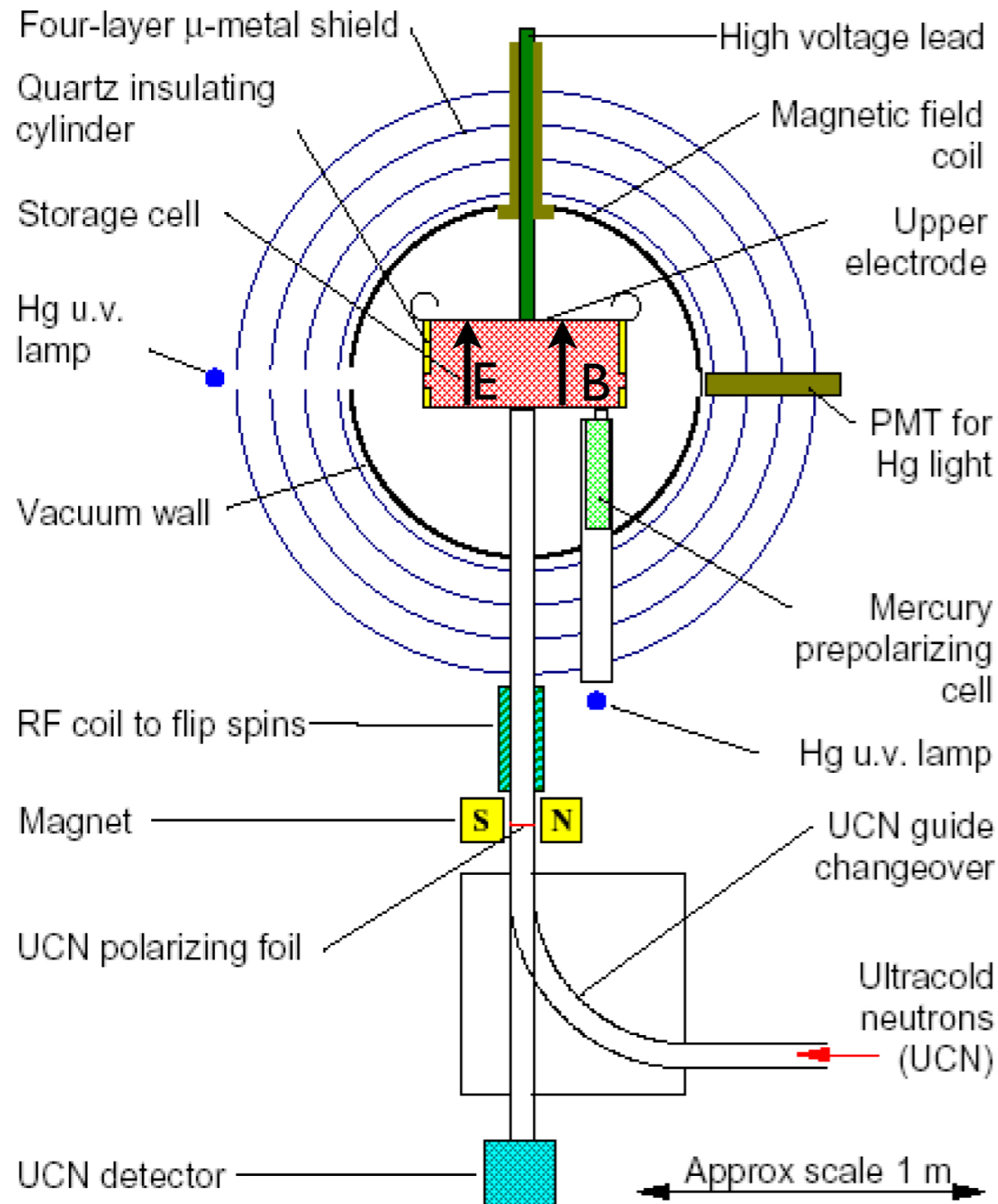
Production of UCNs: Down-scatter cold neutrons via completely inelastic collisions in solid-D<sub>2</sub> or superfluid <sup>4</sup>He (one or multi-phonon excitation) ➡ “superthermal process”

R. Golub and J.M. Pendlebury; Phys. Lett. **53A**, (1975), Phys. Lett. **62A** (1977)



Figures: A. Knecht (2009)

# Neutron EDM: Best Limit

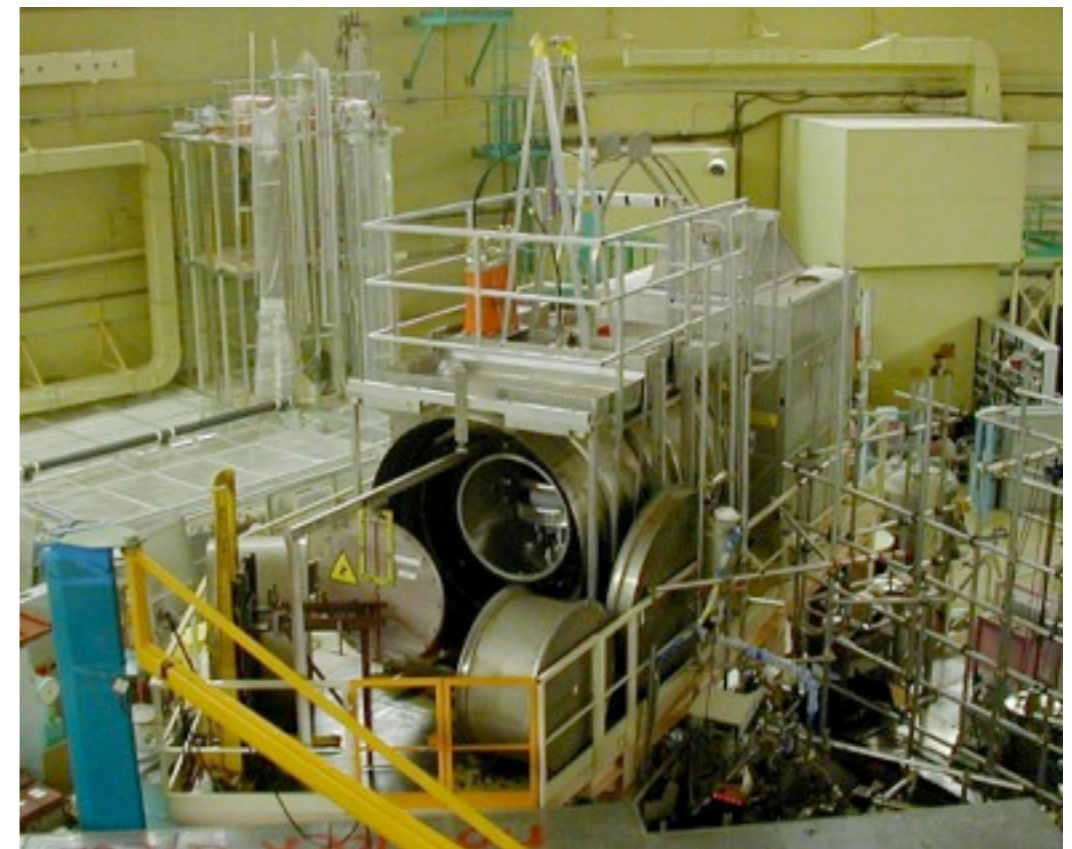


Ultra-cold Neutrons (UCN) in a storage cell (at  $T \sim 300$  K):  $\rho_{\text{UCN}} \sim 1/\text{cm}^3$

- $V_{\text{cell}} = 21$  liters
- $T_m = 130$  s (per cycle)
- $N \approx 1.4 \times 10^4$  (per cycle)
- $E_0 = 10^4$  V/cm

$$|d_n| < 2.9 \times 10^{-26} \text{ e} \cdot \text{cm} \quad (90\% \text{ C.L.})$$

C.A. Baker et al., PRL 97, 131801 (2006)

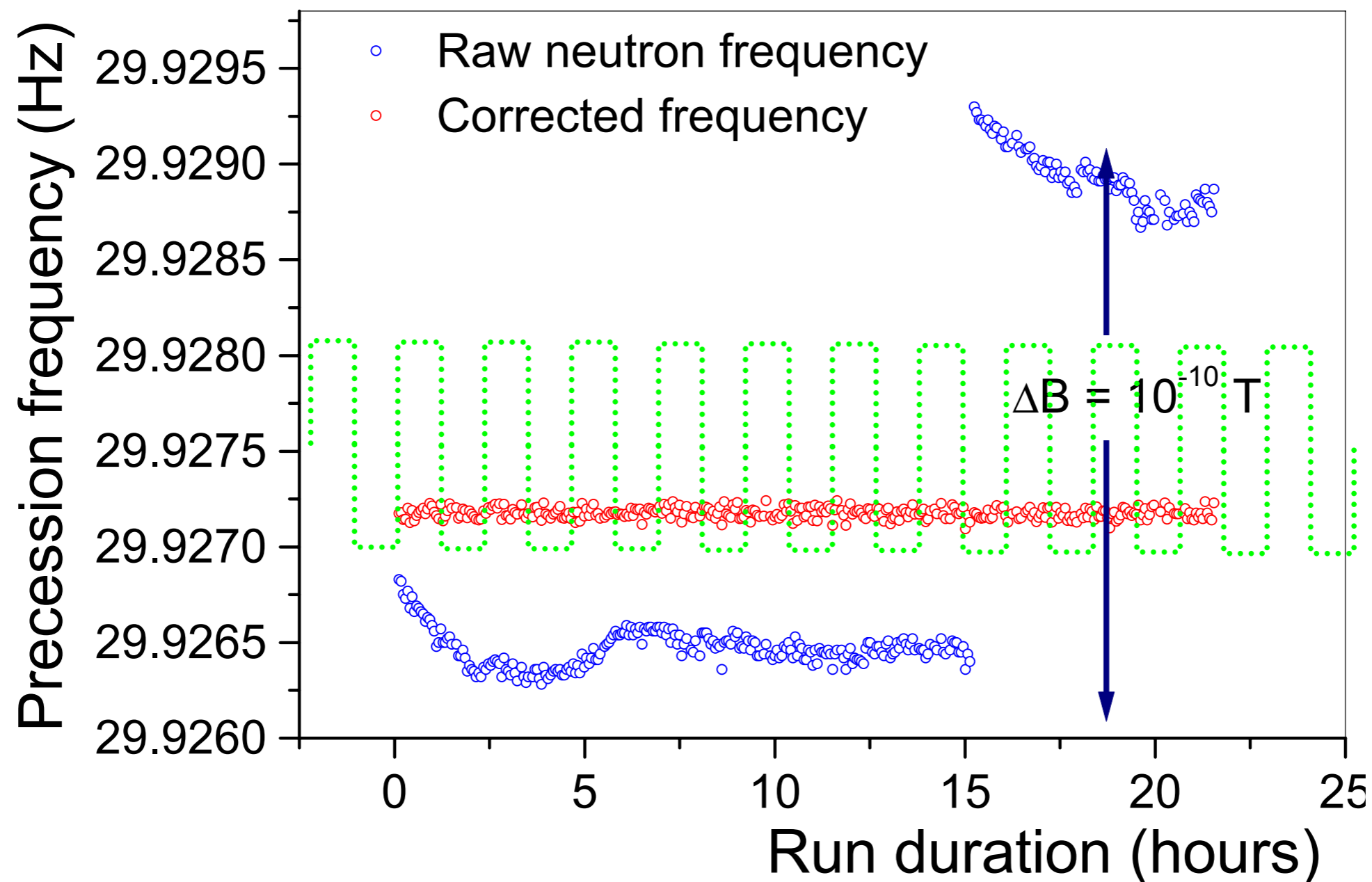


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# Neutron EDM: Co-Magnetometer

## ILL experiment:

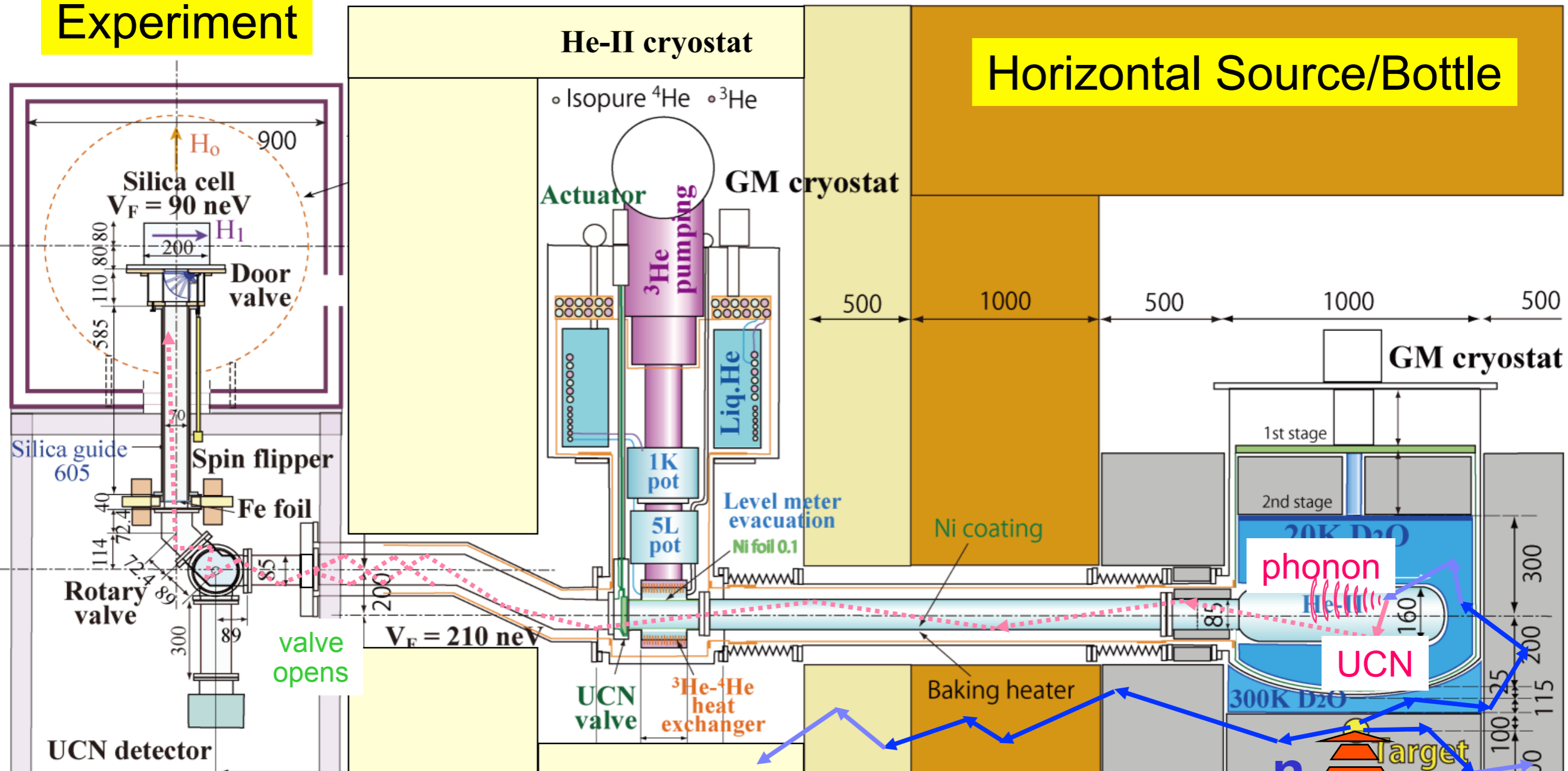
### Hg magnetometer B-field drift compensation



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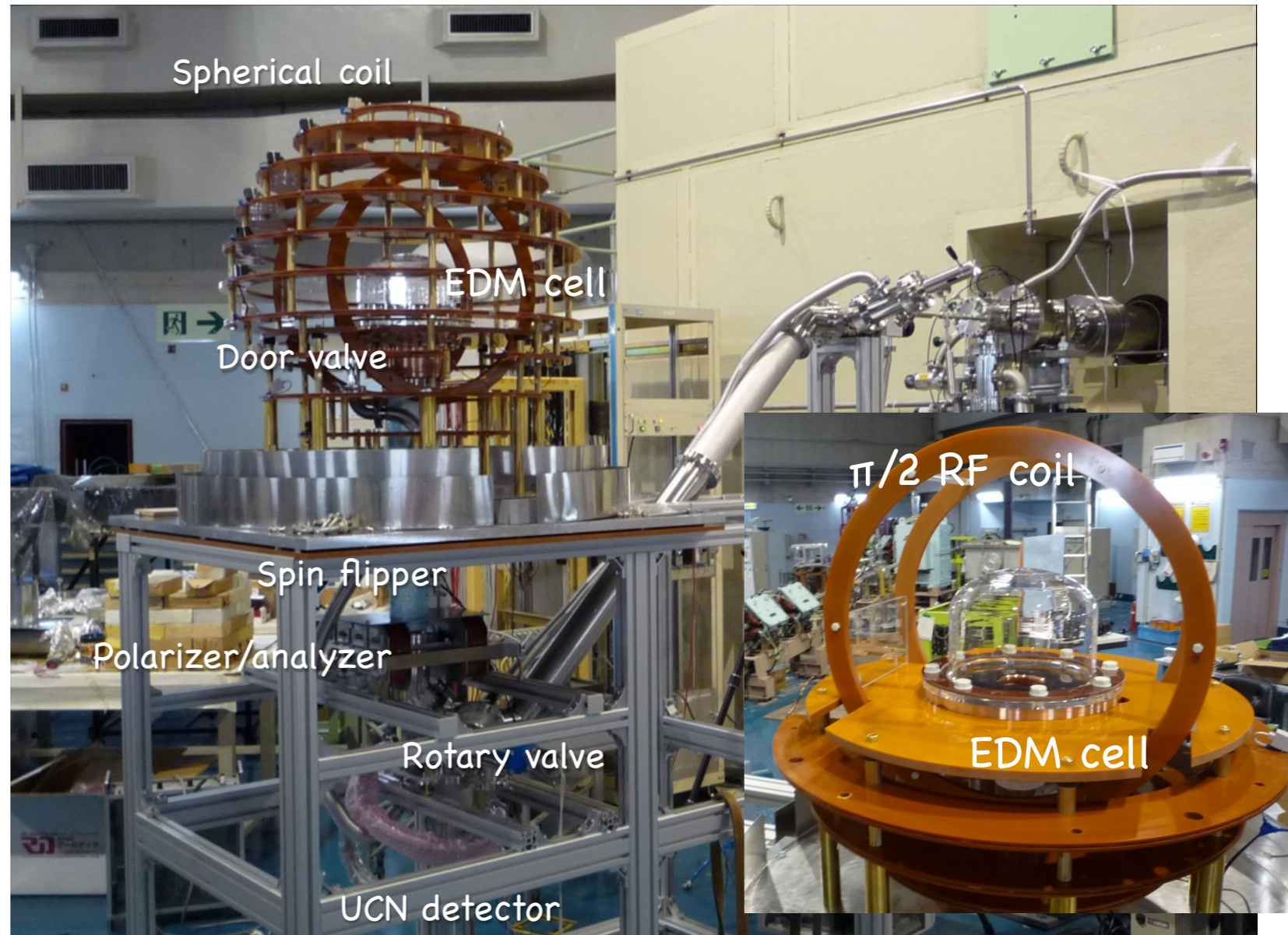
# Neutron EDM (TRIUMF)

## Experiment



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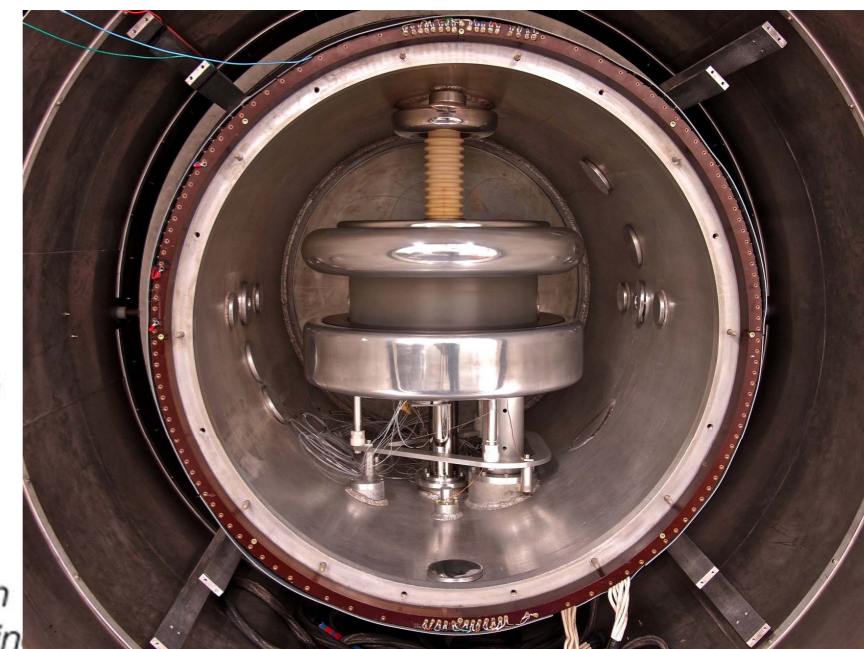
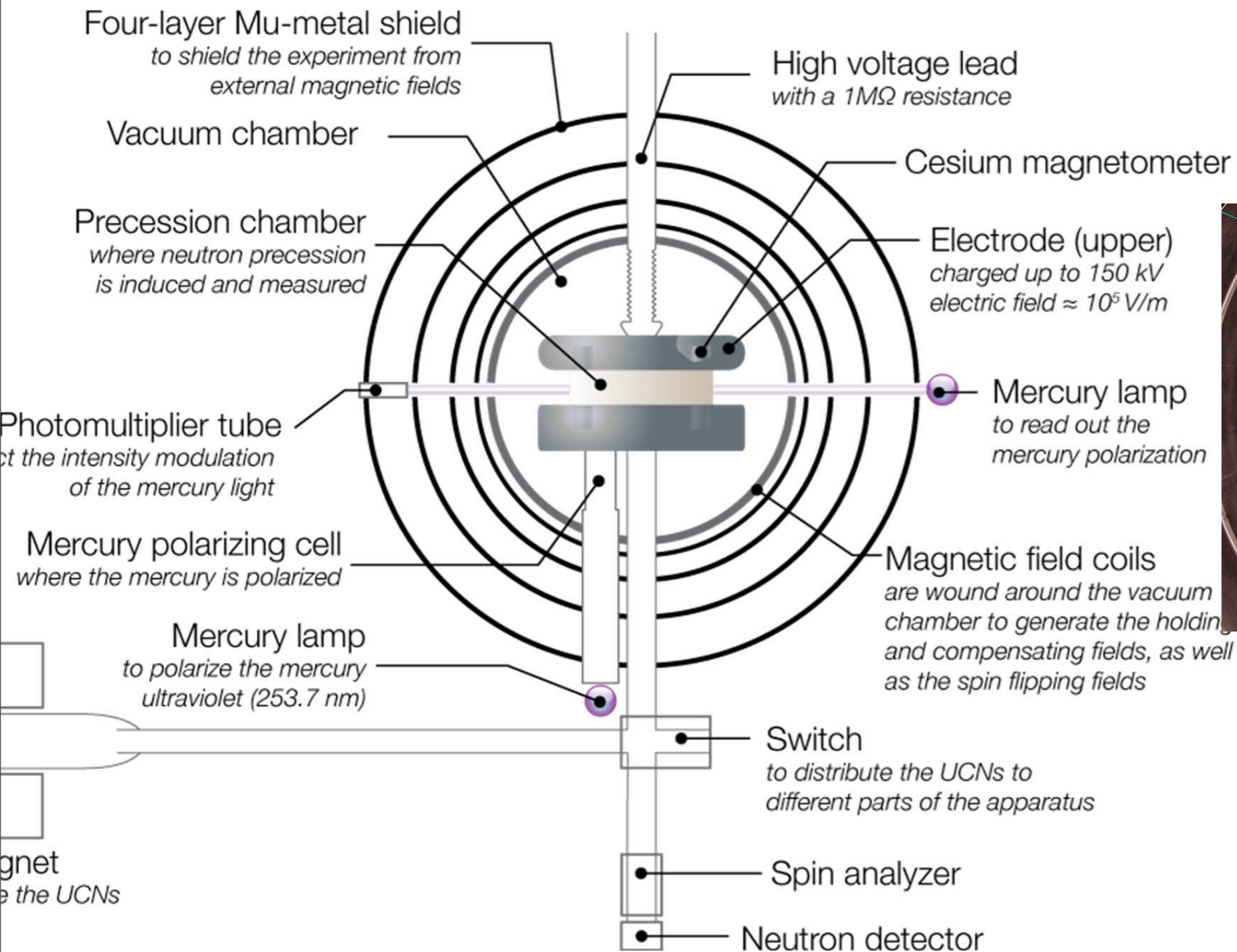
- Spherical Coil for DC field
- $^{129}\text{Xe}$  nuclear spin buffer gas co-magnetometer
- Room-temperature experiment
- Small cell size
- Modern magnetic shielding
- Superfluid- $^4\text{He}$  UCN source
- Basic source in operation



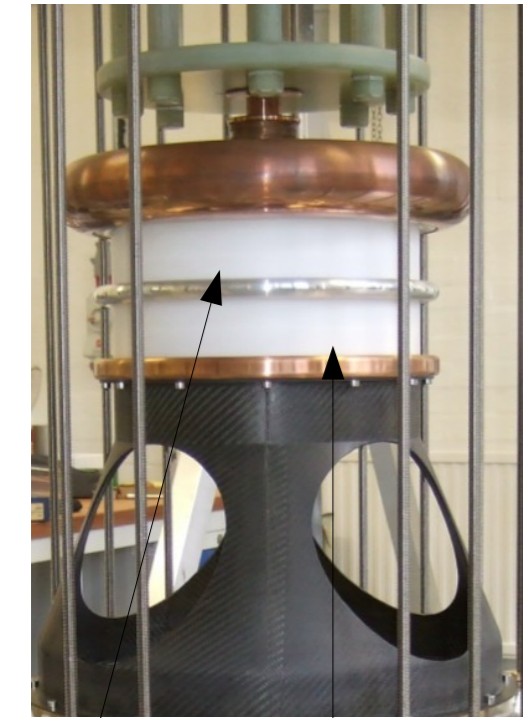
Larry Lee, TRIUMF, University of Manitoba (2011)



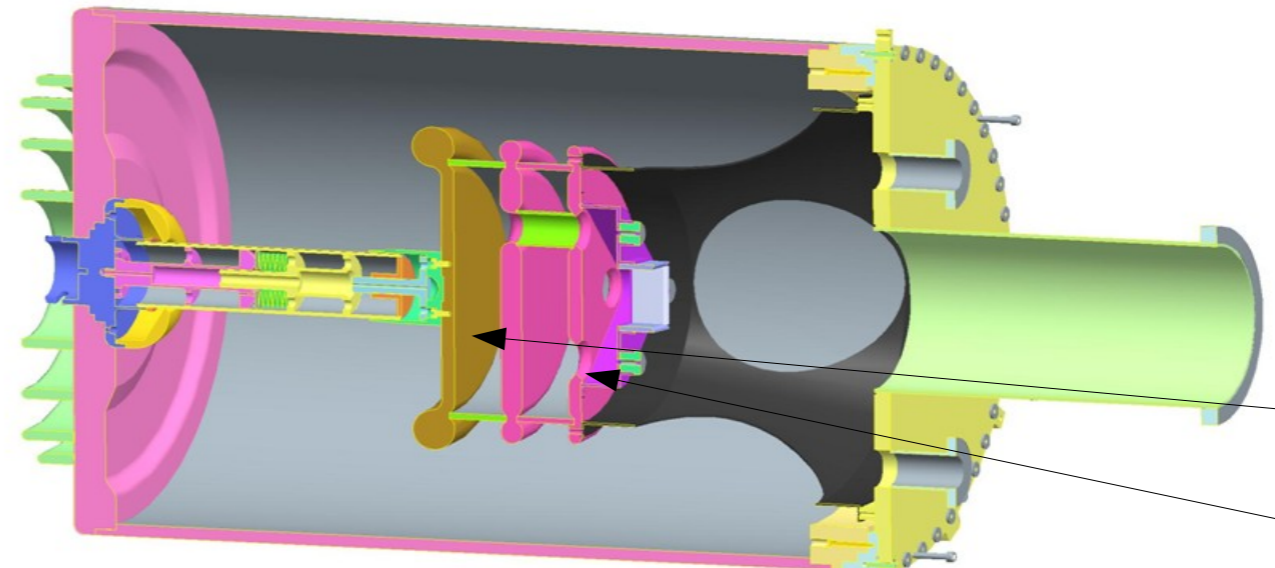
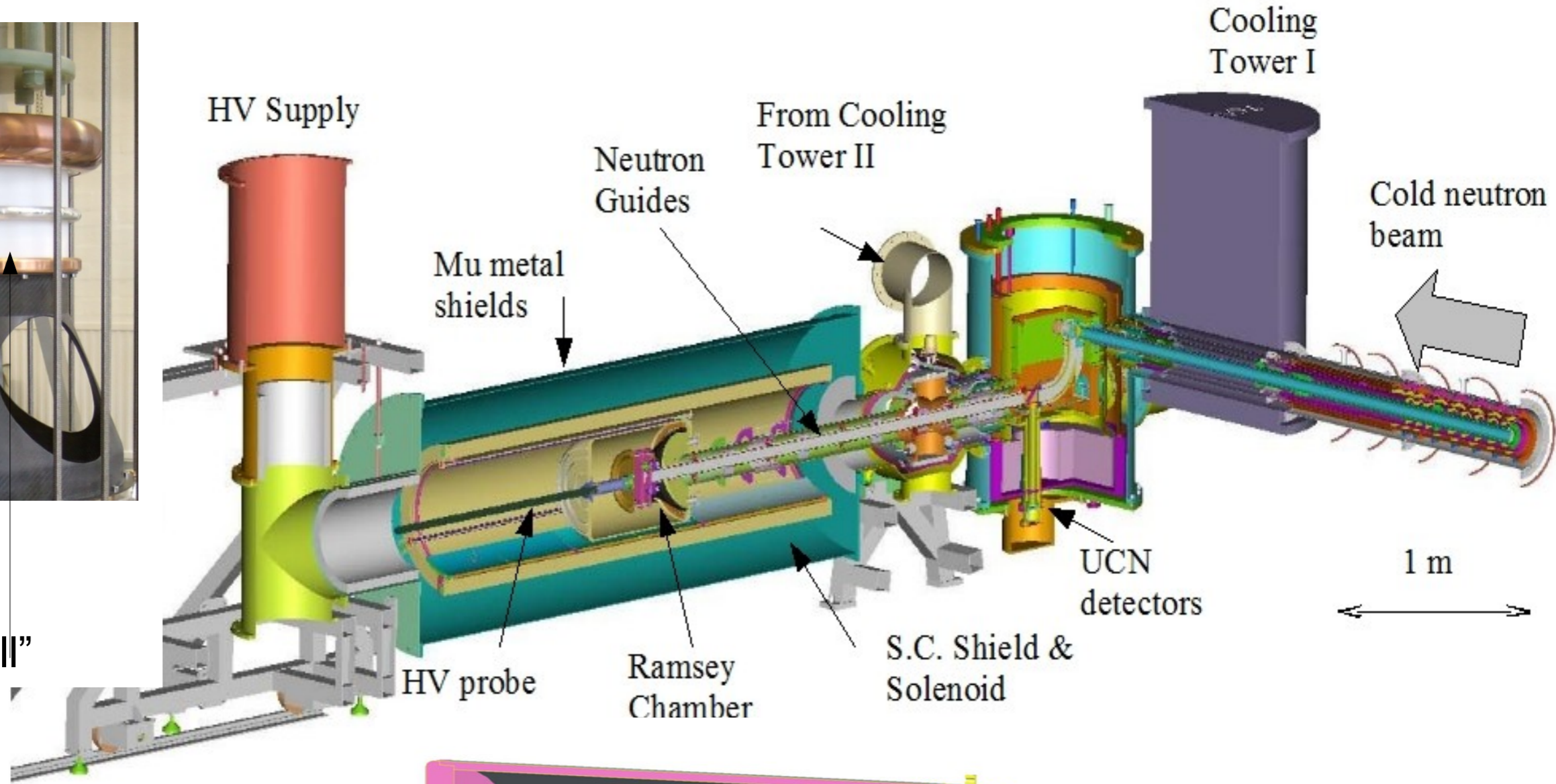
# Neutron EDM (PSI)



# Neutron EDM (CryoEDM-ILL)



“HV Cell”  
“neutral cell”

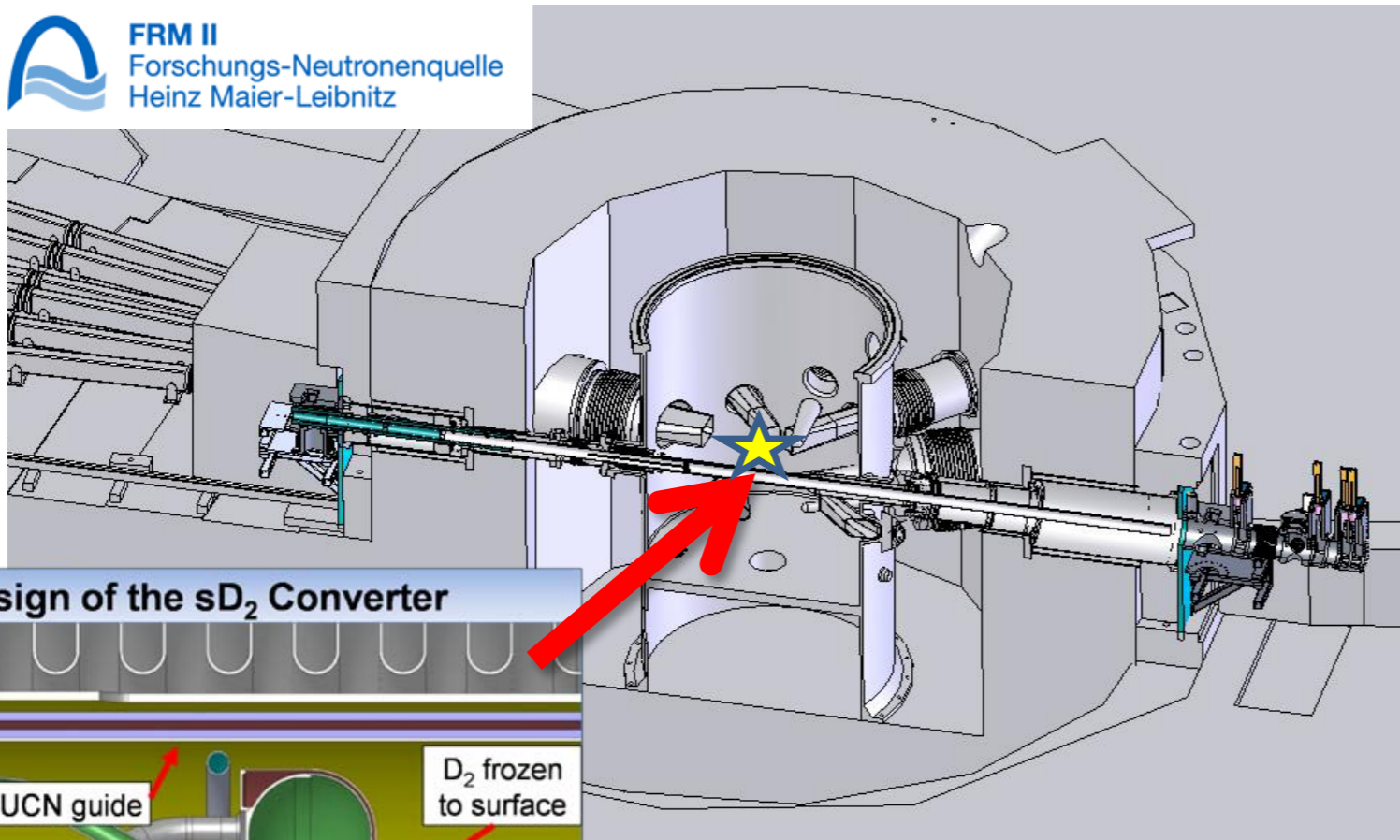


# Neutron EDM (Munich, FRM-2)

## E.g. superthermal solid D<sub>2</sub>, at the FRM-2 reactor, TU München

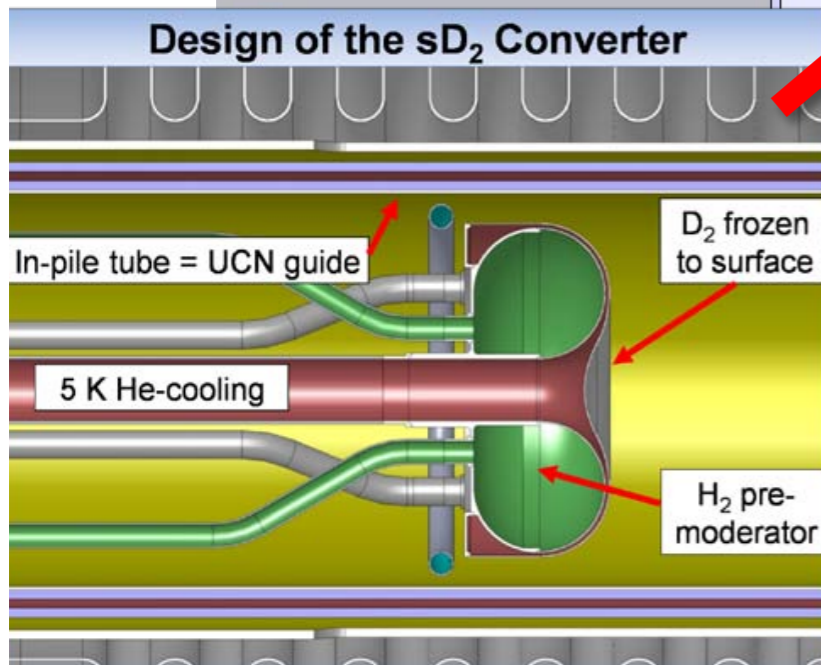
Molecular excitations used to cool neutrons to zero energy -  
similar: LANL, Mainz, NCSU, PNPI, PSI,

FRM II  
Forschungs-Neutronenquelle  
Heinz Maier-Leibnitz



**~10<sup>15</sup> n/s on source**

**Goal: 10<sup>3</sup> UCN/cm<sup>3</sup> in the experiment (2013)**

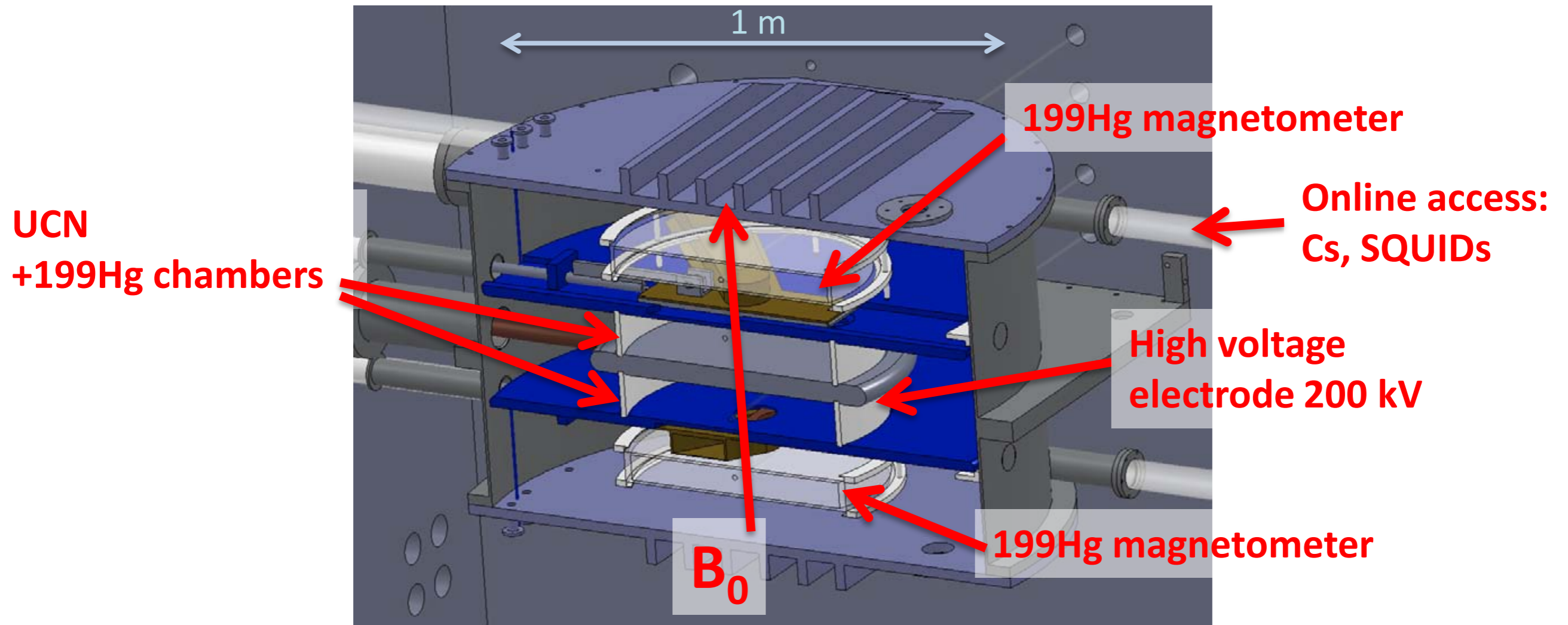


Other sources use superfluid He-II (via phonons): ILL, KEK, SNS, TRIUMF(?),

P. Fierlinger, SSP2012

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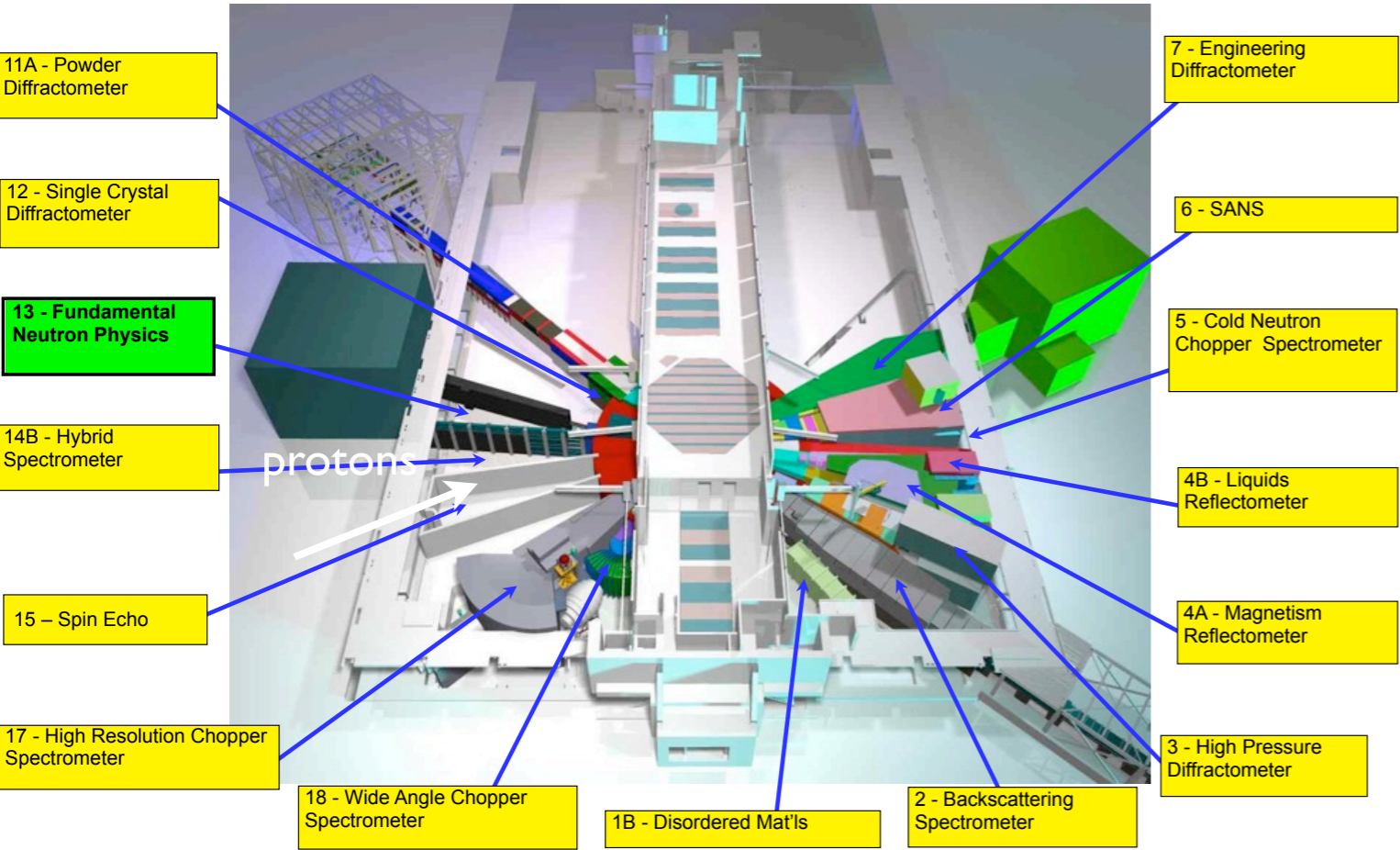
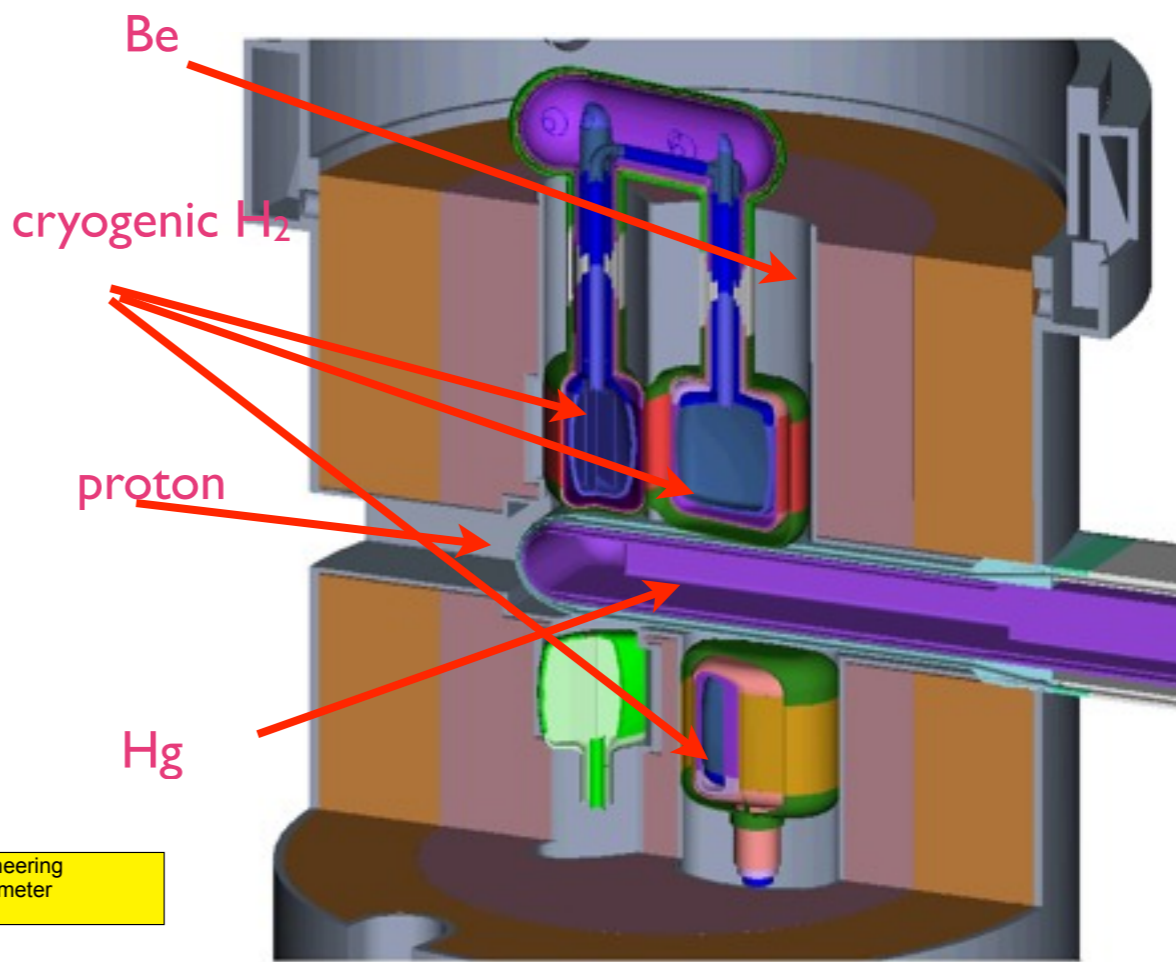
Double chamber Ramsey experiment with UCN stored at room temperature



**Limit of the concept:  $d_n < 5 \cdot 10^{-28}$  ecm ( $3\sigma$ ), stat. + syst.**

P. Fierlinger, SSP2012

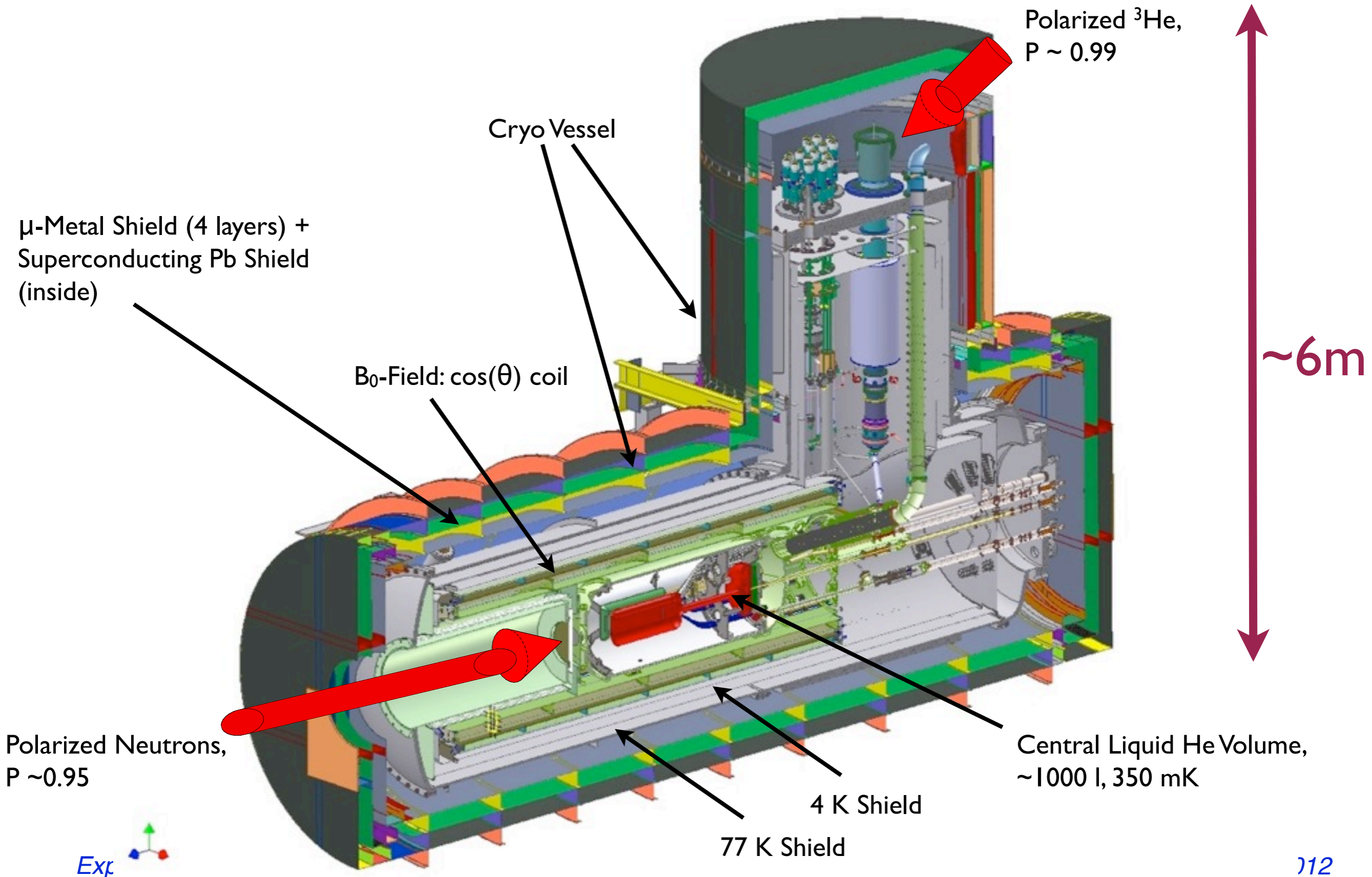
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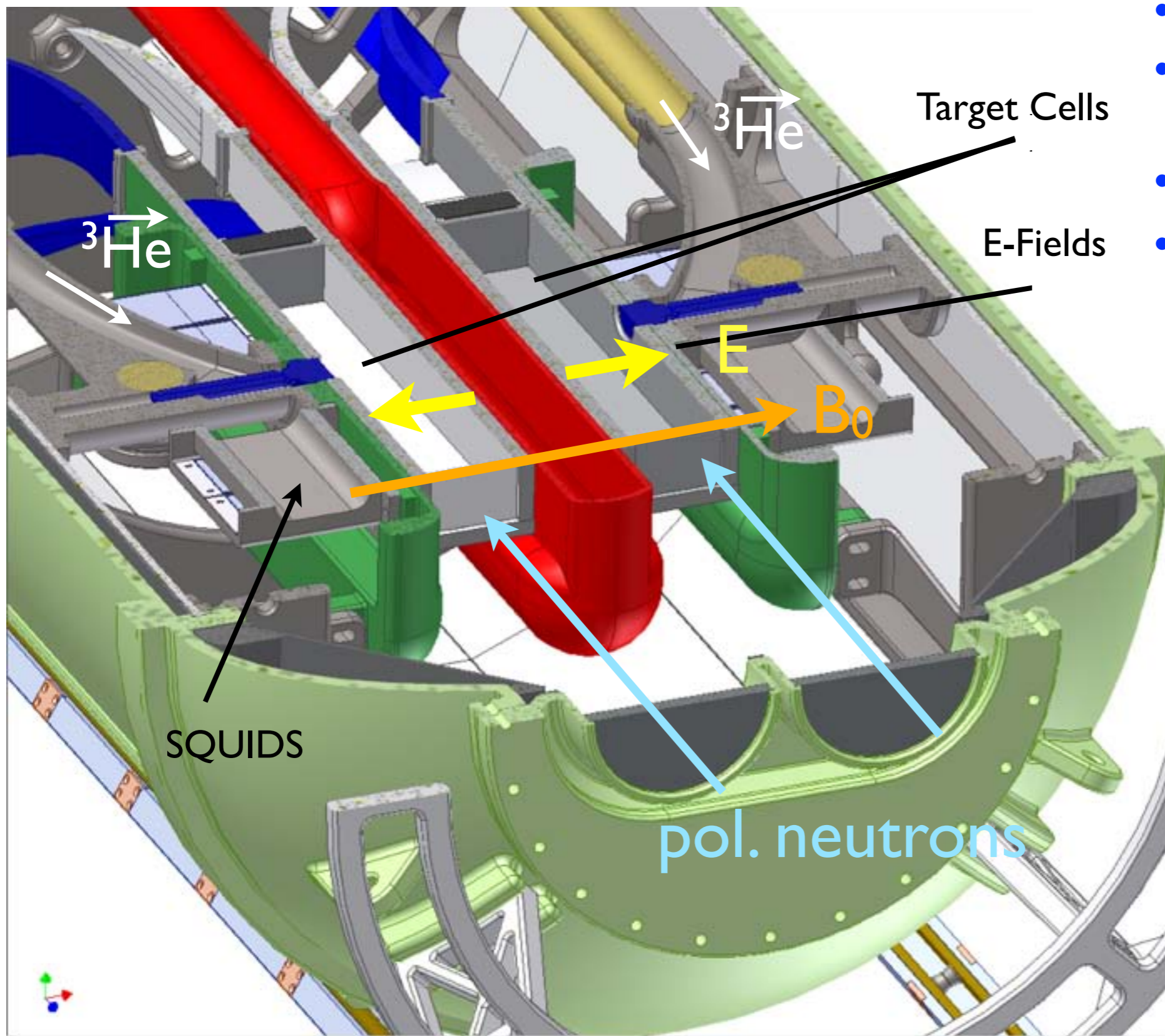
Experimental Perspectives on EDM Searches

- ORNL Spallation-Neutron-Source: 1 GeV protons,  $I_p = 1.4$  mA on Hg target, 18 beam lines
- First SNS beam on target - April 2006
- $P = 1.4$  MW
- Final peak neutron flux: 20-100  $\times$  ILL

# Neutron EDM: SNs



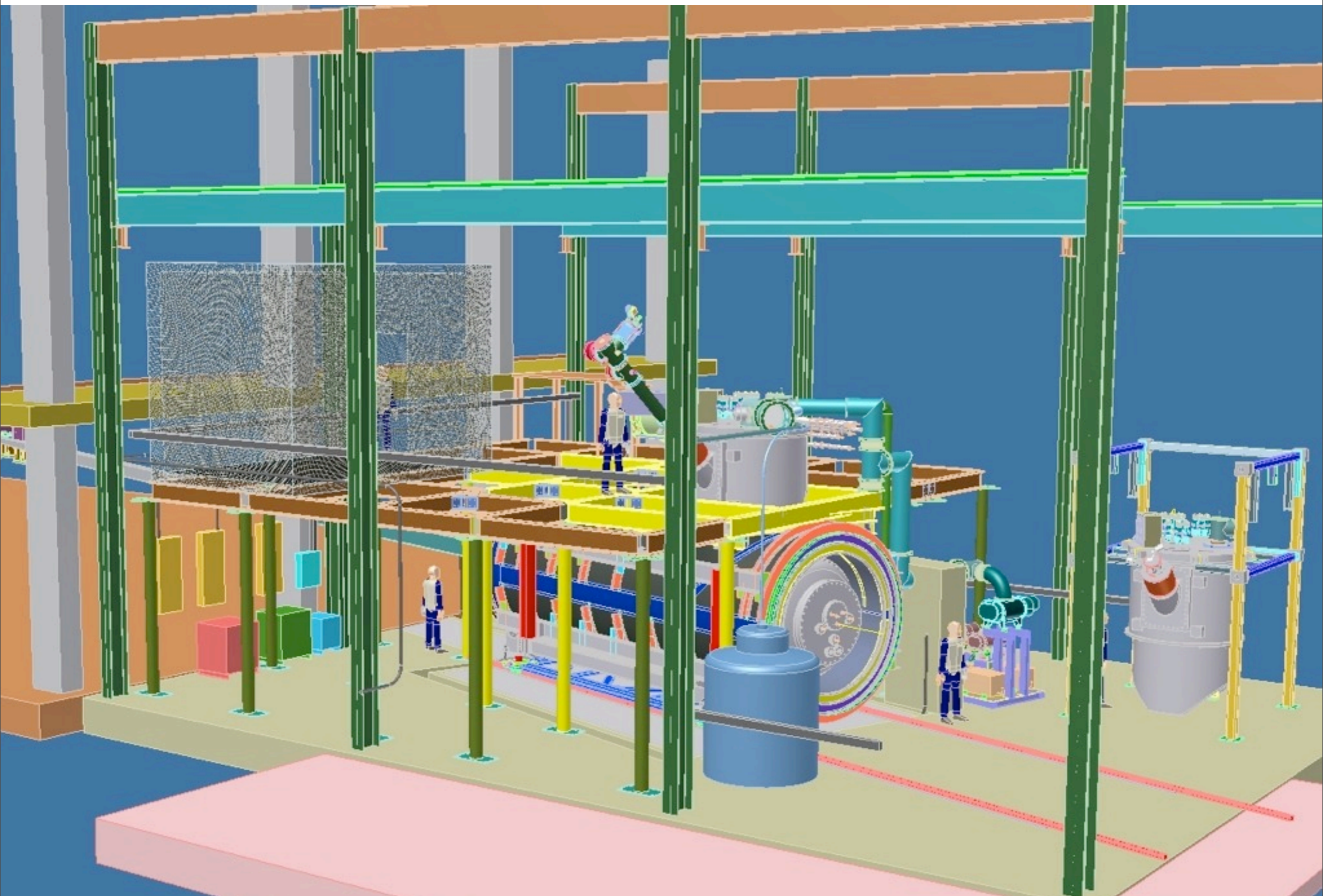
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- $\delta B(t) \leq 8$  nG per cycle
- $\langle \partial B_x / \partial x \rangle < 50$  nGauss/cm at 30 mGauss
- $E = 74$  kV/cm
- apply  $\pi/2$  pulse  $\rightarrow$  monitor spin precession

Expected UCN production rate:  
 $0.22$  UCN/cm<sup>3</sup>/s  
 $V_{\text{cell}} = 3,000$  cm<sup>3</sup> (each)  
 $\rightarrow N \sim 3.8 \times 10^5$  at  $t=0$  in each cell

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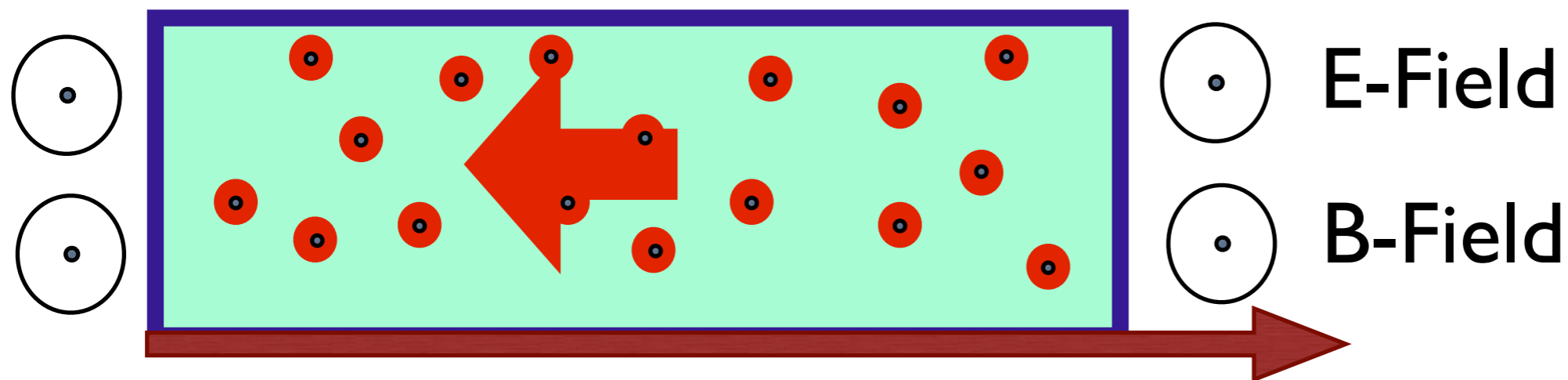
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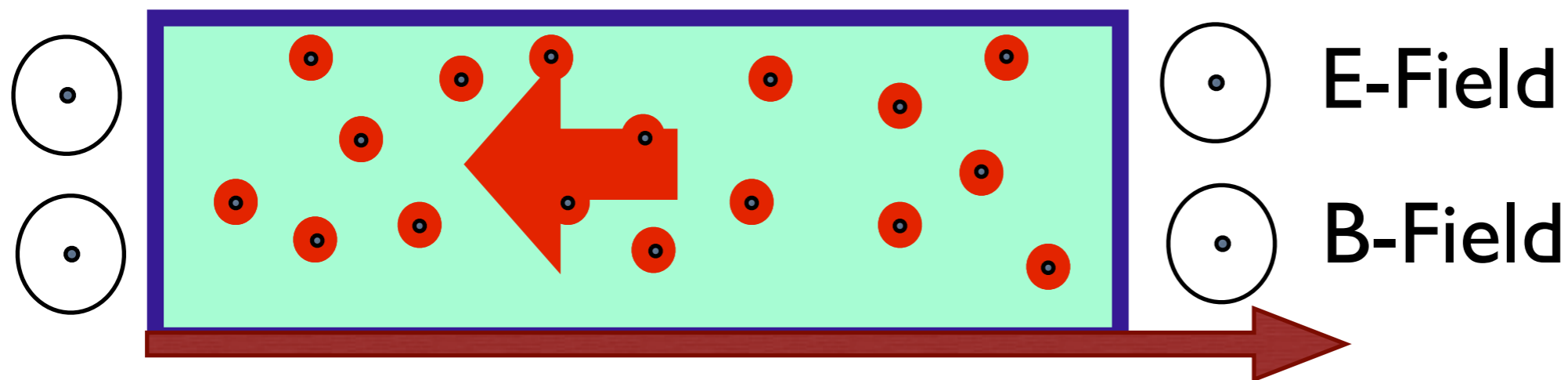
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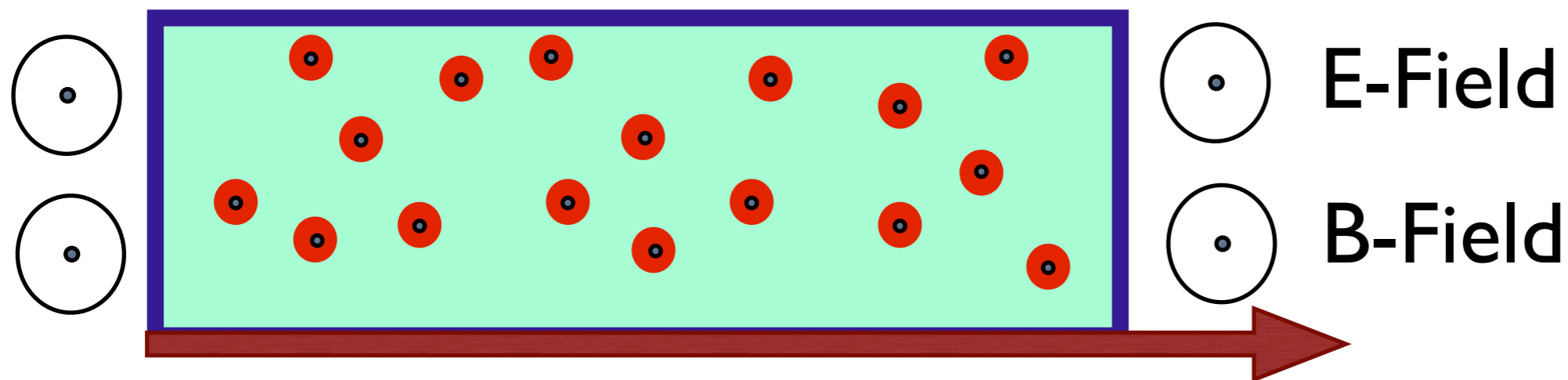
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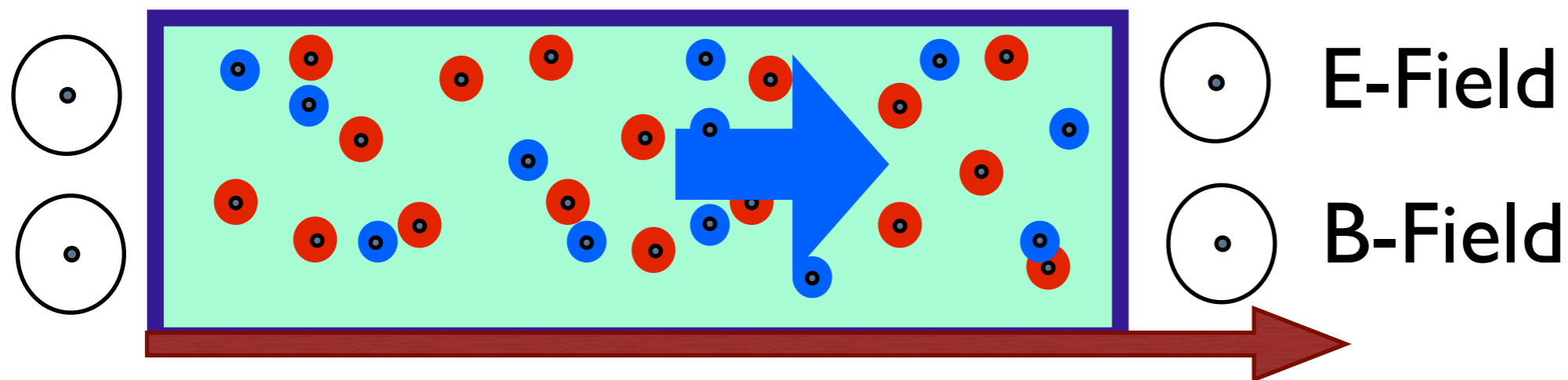
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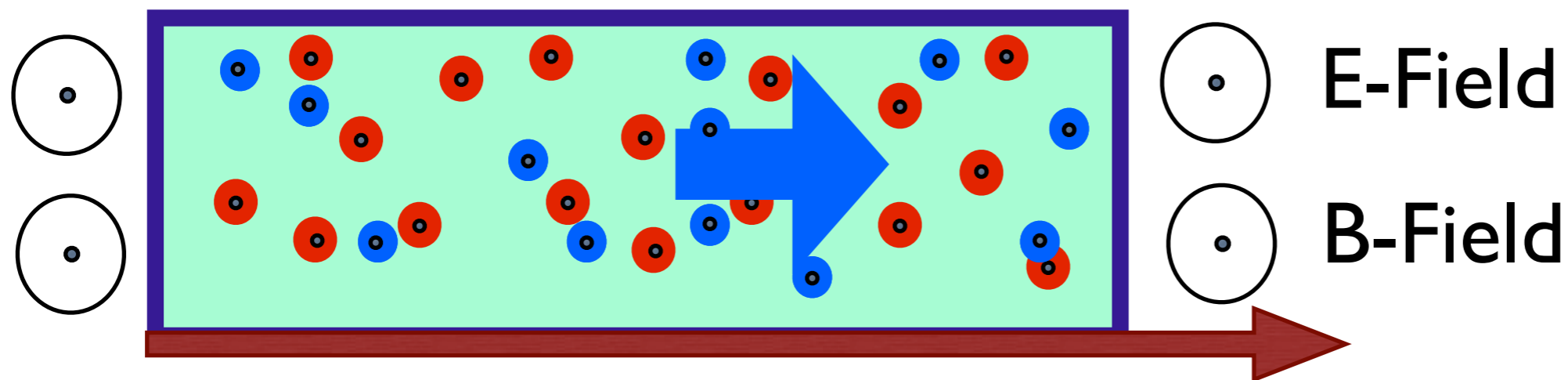
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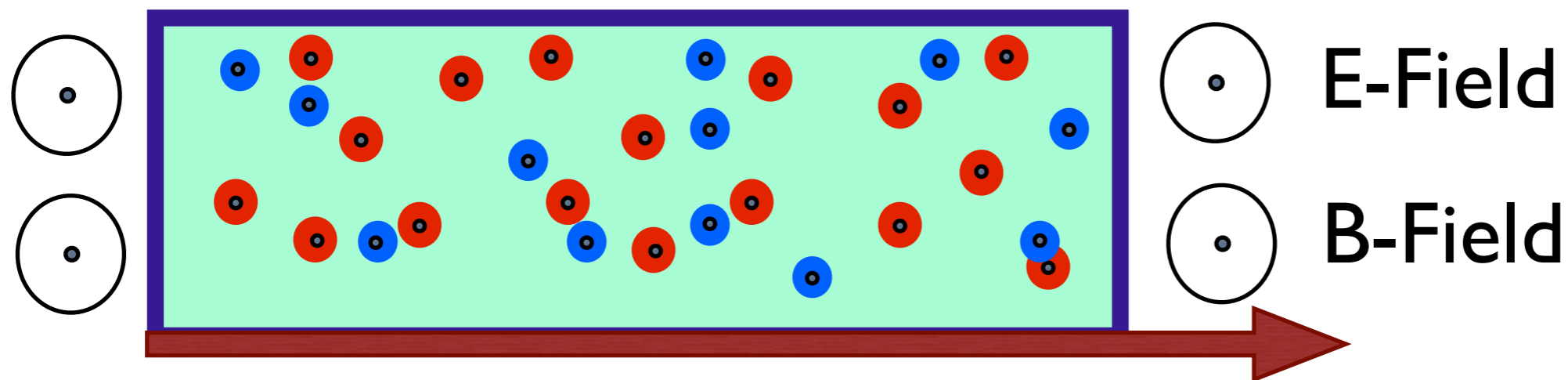
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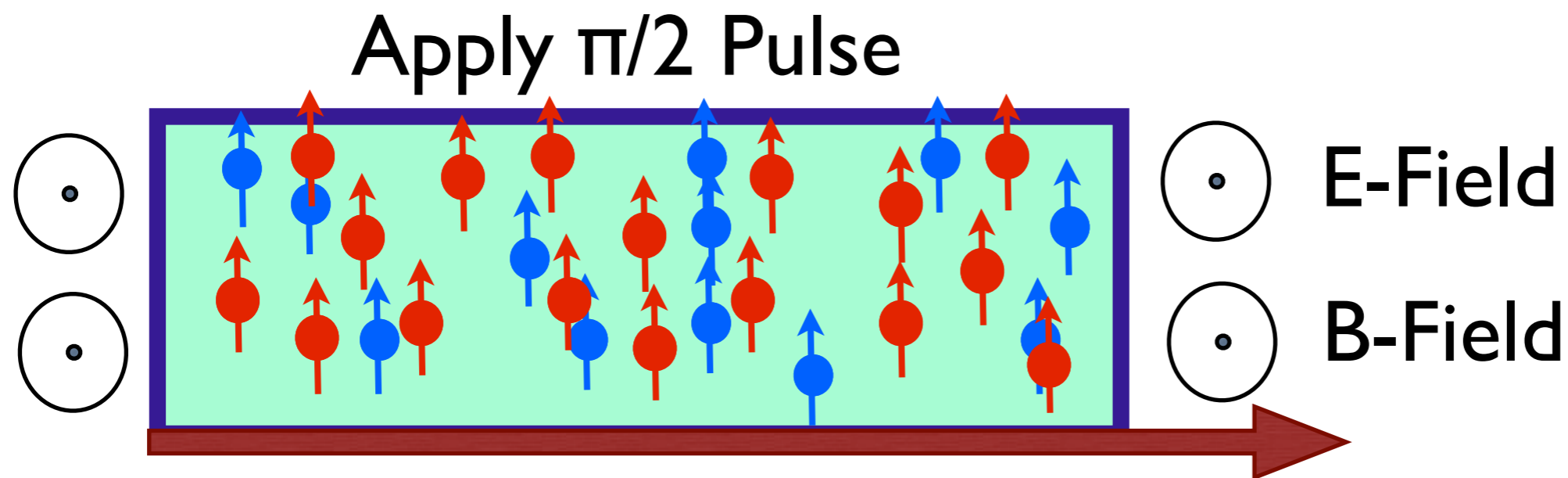
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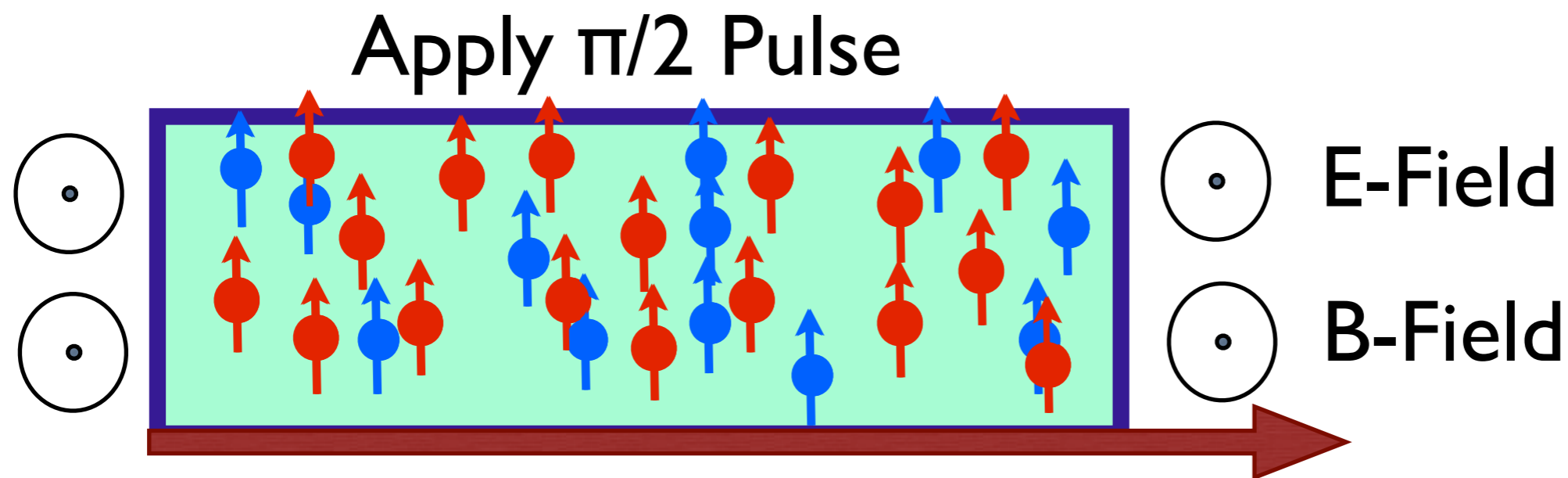
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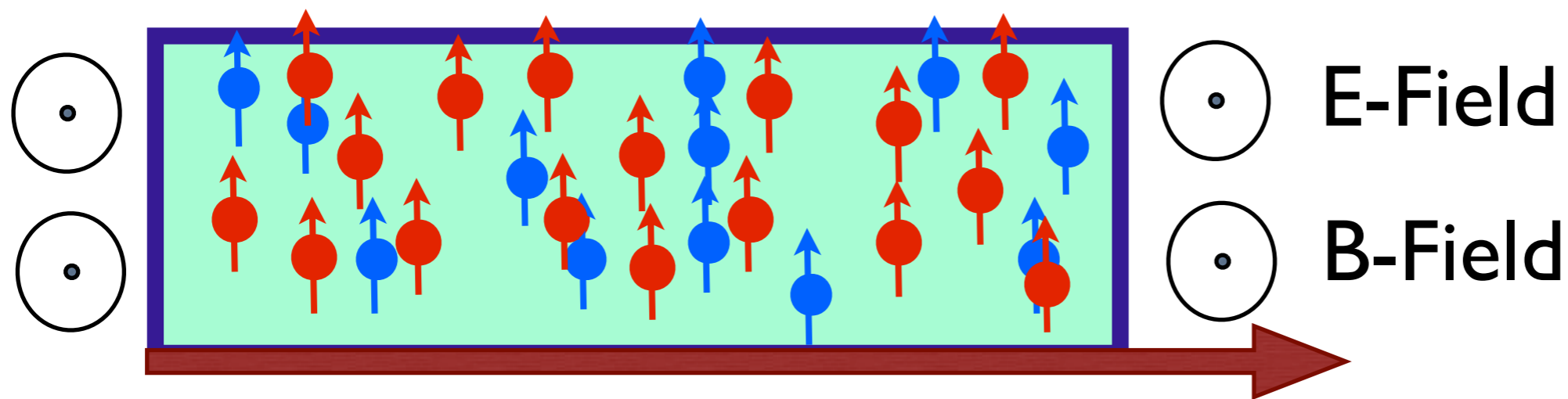
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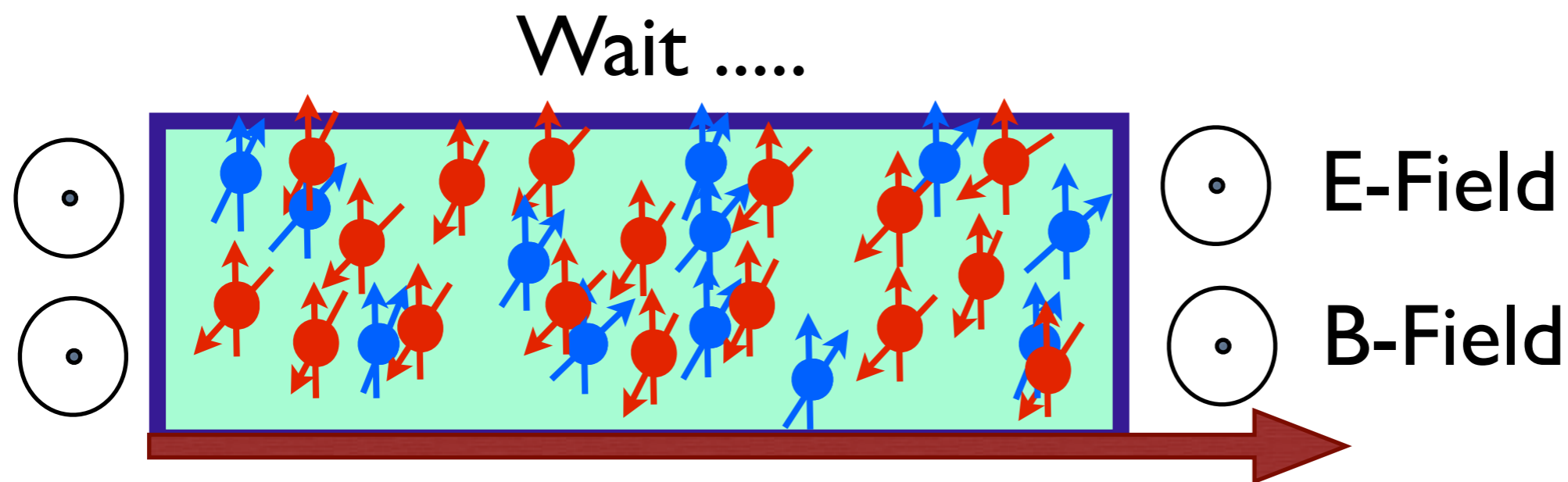
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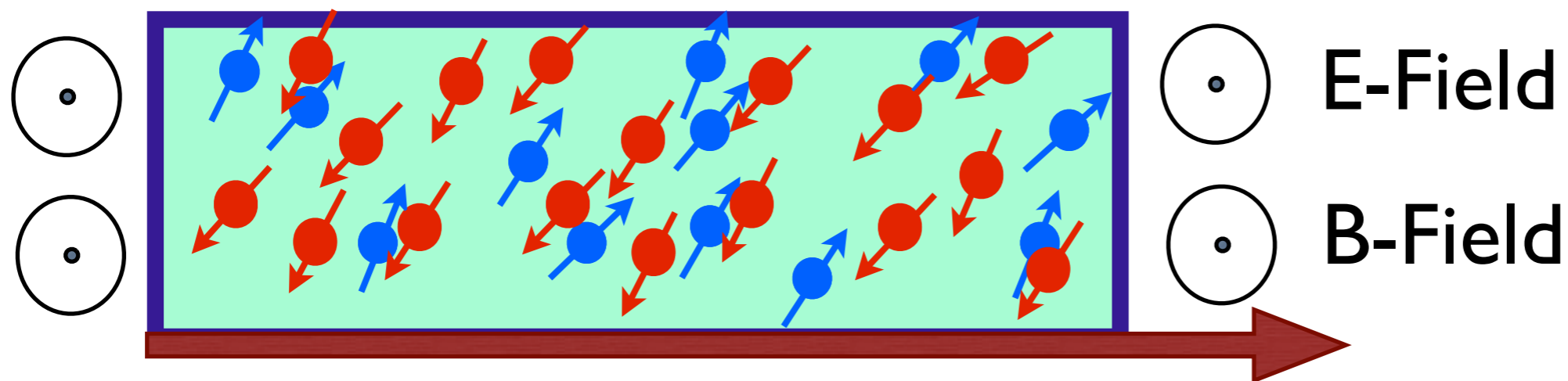
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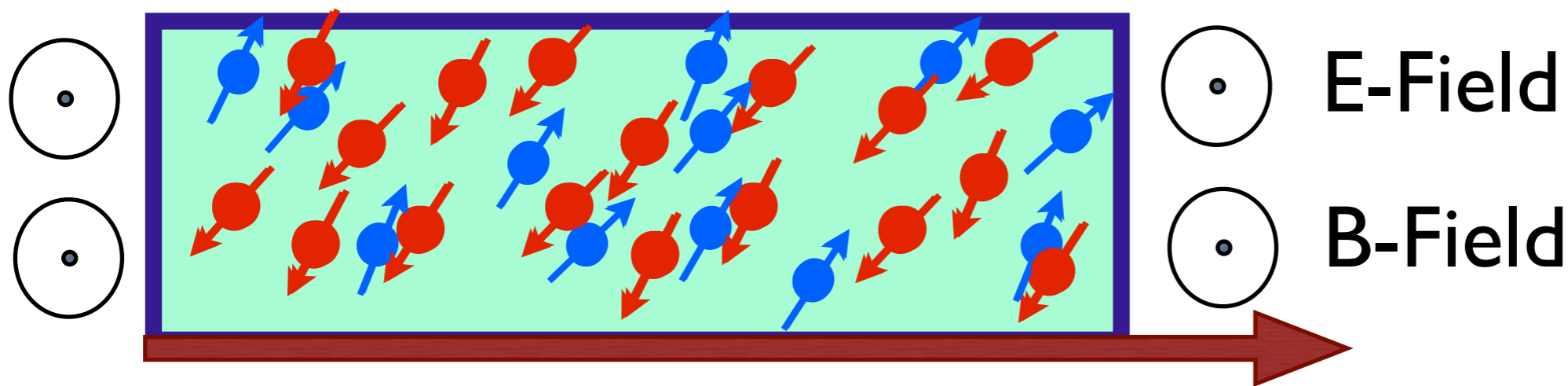
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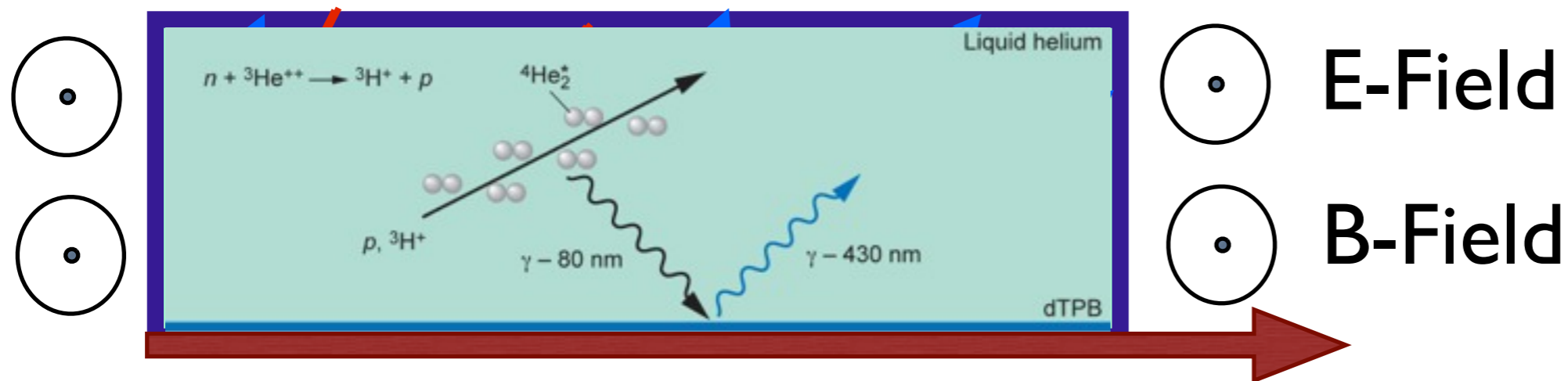
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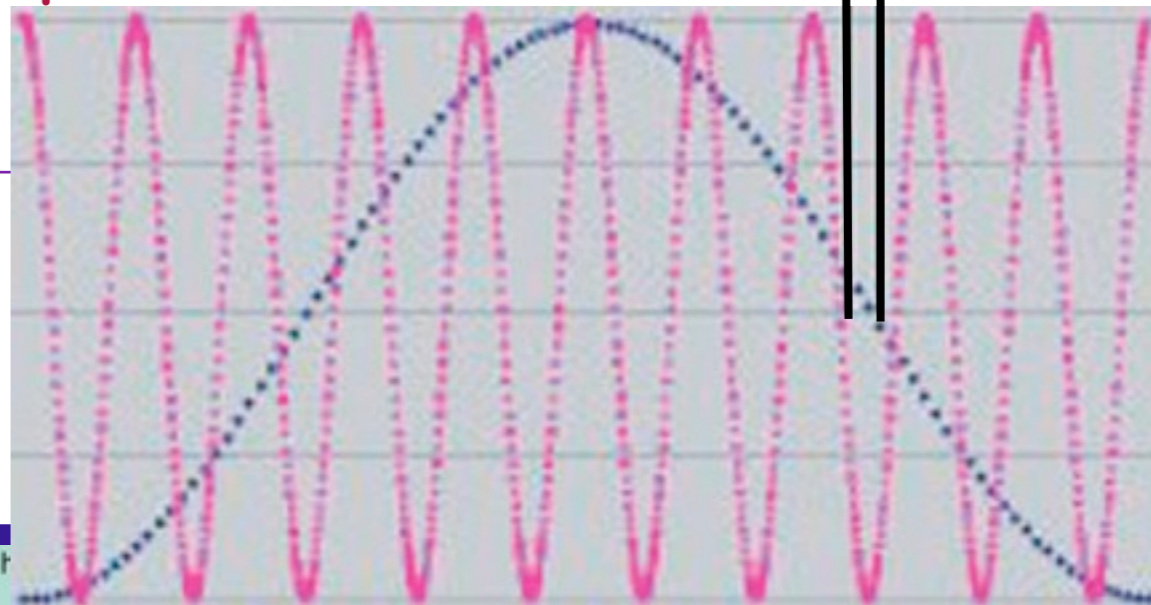
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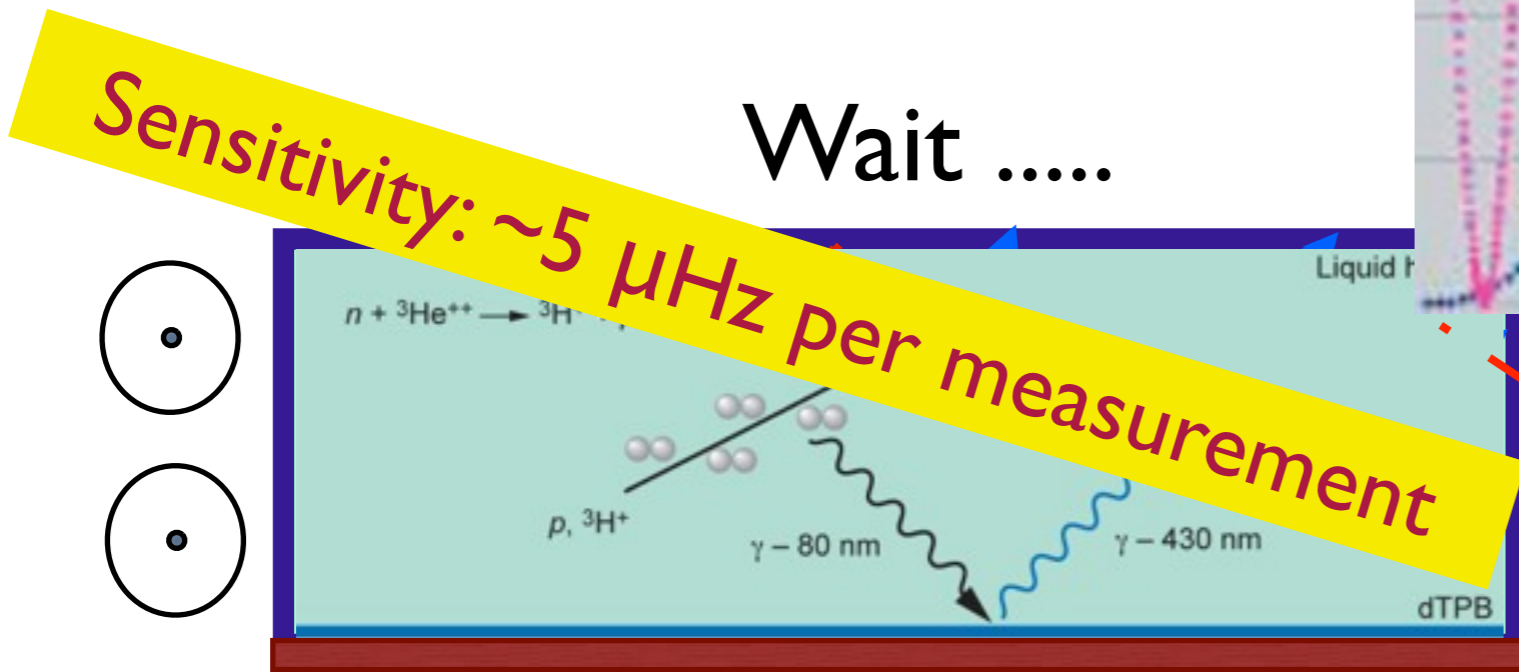
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E-Field

B-Field

PMTs,  
SQUIDS

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# Systematic Effects and Controls

| Source of Error                       | Sys. Uncert. (e·cm)     | Comment                            |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Linear $v \times E$ (Geometric Phase) | $< 1 \times 10^{-28}$   | Uniformity of $B_0$ -Field         |
| Quadratic $v \times E$                | $< 0.5 \times 10^{-28}$ | E-field reversal $< 1\%$           |
| Pseudo-magnetic Field Effects         | $< 1 \times 10^{-28}$   | $\pi/2$ pulse, comparing two cells |
| Gravitational Offset                  | $< 0.2 \times 10^{-28}$ | 1 nA leakage currents              |
| Heat due to Leakage Currents          | $< 1.5 \times 10^{-28}$ | $< 1$ pA                           |
| $v \times E$ Rotational Neutron Flow  | $< 1 \times 10^{-28}$   | E-field uniformity $< 0.5\%$       |
| E-Field Stability                     | $< 1 \times 10^{-28}$   | $\Delta E/E < 0.1\%$               |
| Miscellaneous                         | $< 1 \times 10^{-28}$   | other $v \times E$ , wall losses   |



# Neutron EDM : Comparison

|                     | (co-) magnetometer                   | size of EDM-cell | $\rho_{UCN}$ [1/cm <sup>3</sup> ] | E-field [kV/cm] | $\tau$ [s] |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| KEK-RCNP/<br>TRIUMF | <sup>129</sup> Xe buffer gas         | small            | >5000                             | 10              | 150        |
| CryoEDM (ILL)       | UCNs at E=0                          | large            | 1000                              | 10              | 150        |
| SNS                 | polarized <sup>3</sup> He            | large            | 500                               | 74              | 500        |
| PSI                 | Cs                                   | large            | 1000                              | 12              | 150        |
| Munich(FRM-2)       | <sup>199</sup> Hg, <sup>129</sup> Xe | large            | 1000                              | 18              | 250        |

# Summary

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- Worldwide efforts with several 100 researchers
- Improvements on all systems expected in upcoming years:
  - Factor of 10 in next five years
  - Factor of 100 in next 10 years
- New limits on EDMs: stringent tests for SUSY models

Exciting years ahead of us!