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Parity Nonconservation in Hydrogen: Revisited

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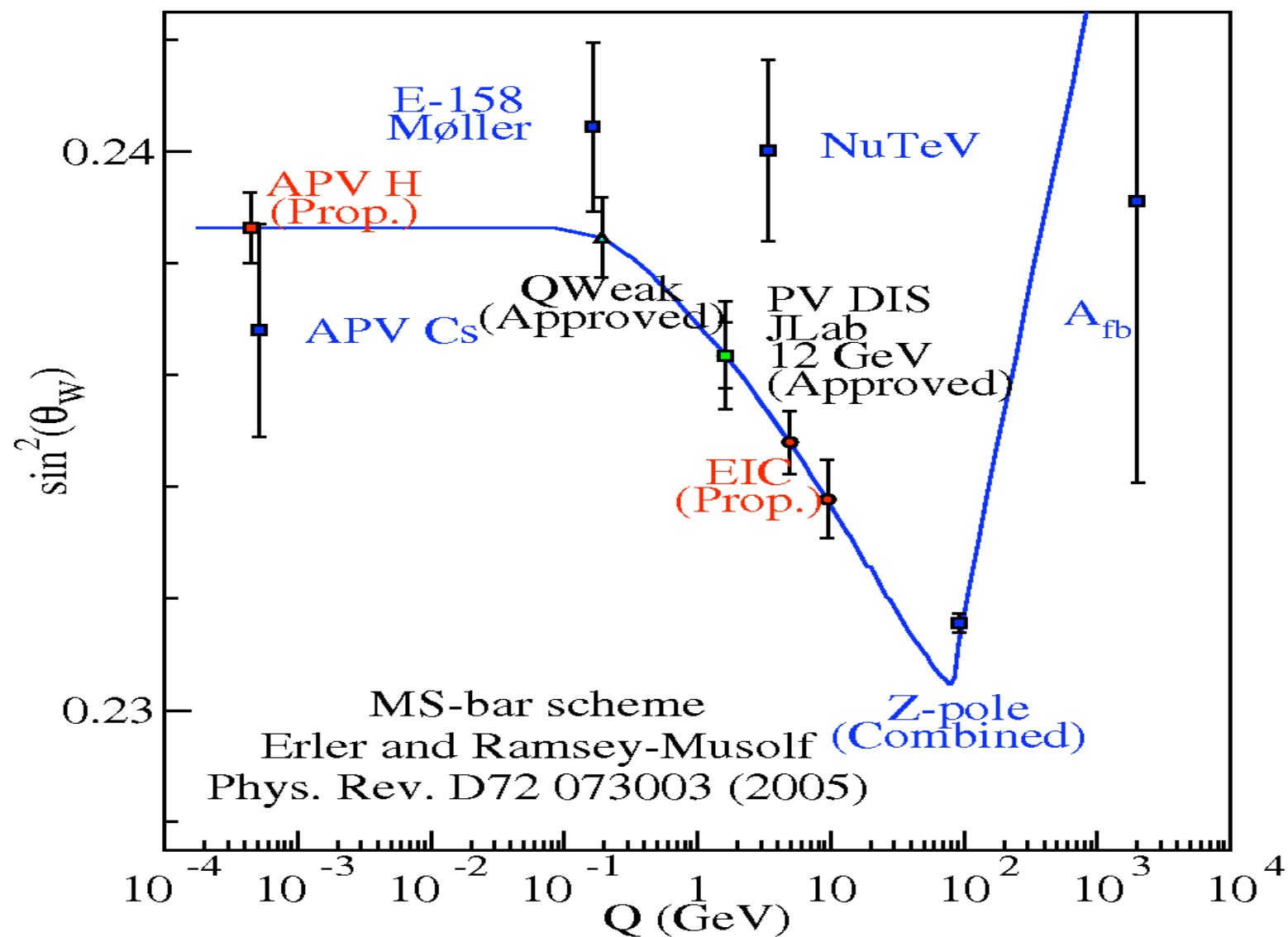
Questions:

How well does PV in H need to be measured to make a useful contribution?

What experimental parameters are needed to achieve the required precision?

Outline

- ***Motivation***
- ***Review of Former H APV Experiments***
- ***Sensitivity and Systematic Errors for Future***
- ***Production of Metastable Beams***



From Paul Reimer, ANL

Why Hydrogen?

- Close lying states of opposite parity

$2S_{1/2} - 2P_{1/2}$ Separated by the Lamb shift

- Calculability

- Determination of four weak interaction coupling constants

Hydrogen

Deuterium

C1p

C1p + C1n nuclear spin independent ($A_e V_N$)

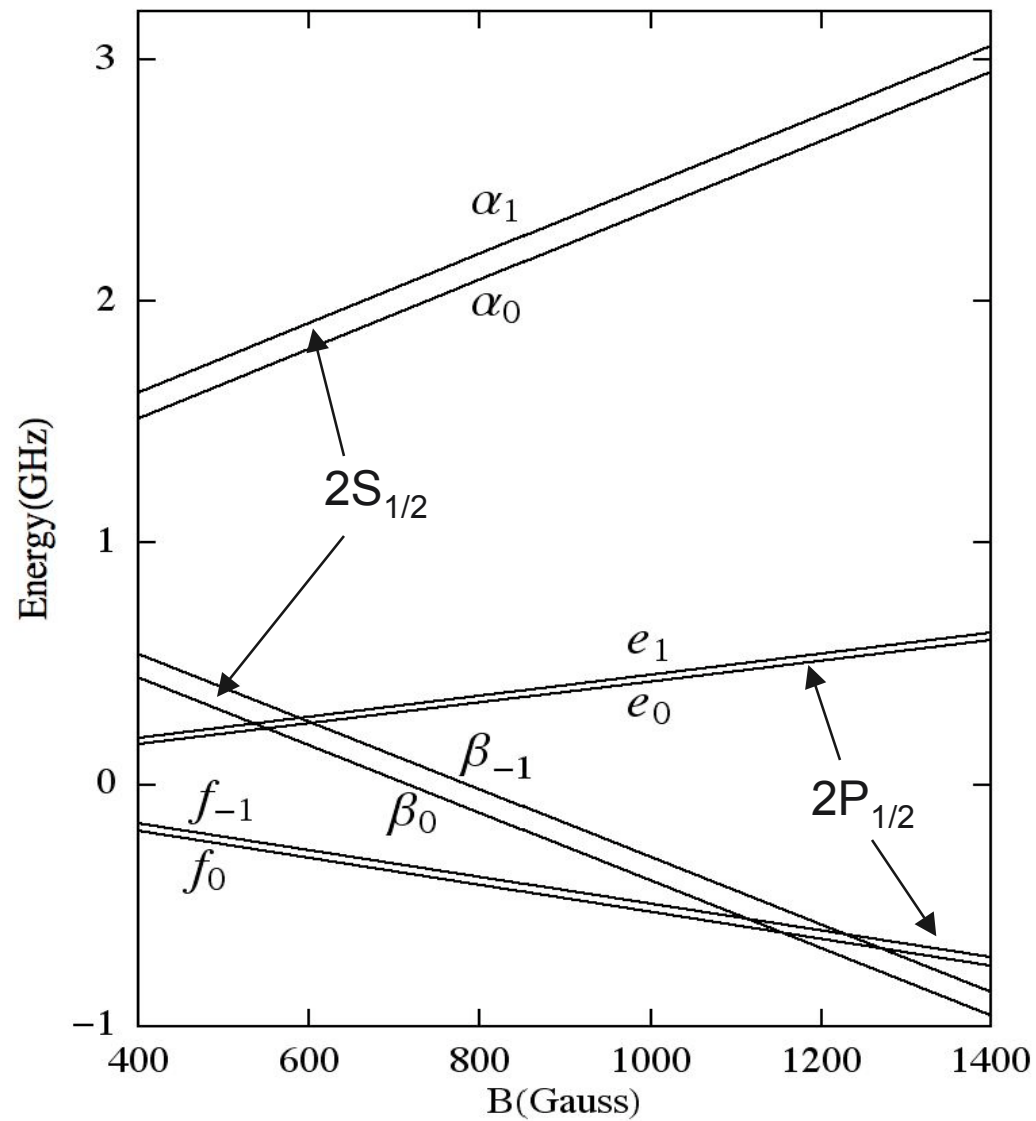
C2p

C2p + C2n nuclear spin dependent ($V_e A_N$)

- Accessibility of the $2S_{1/2} - 2P_{1/2}$ level crossings

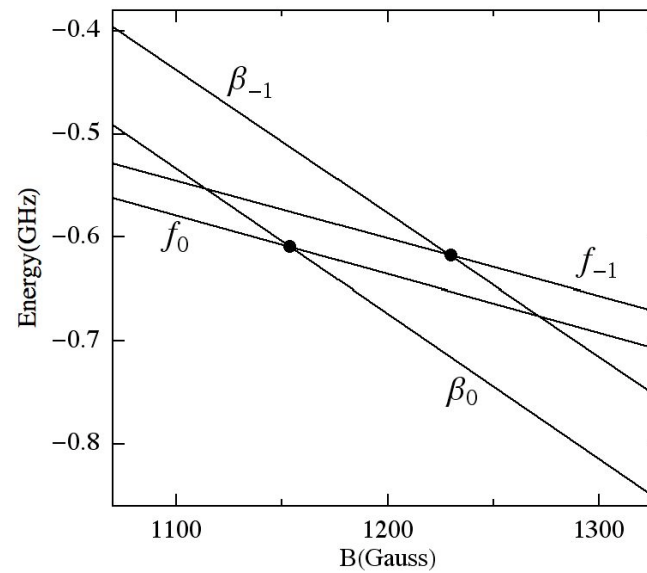
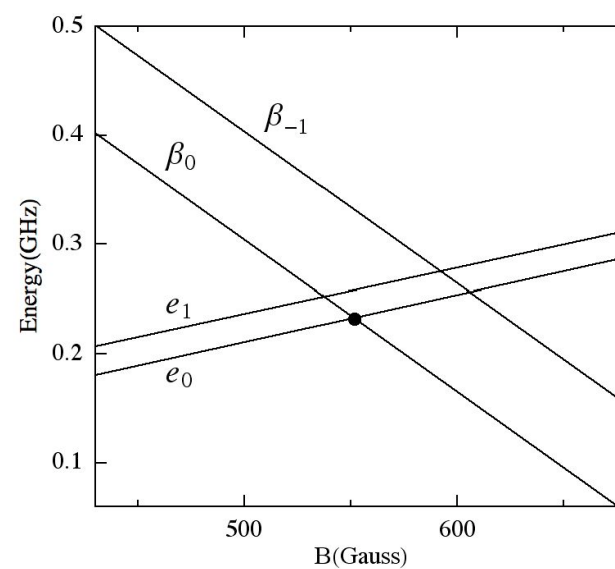
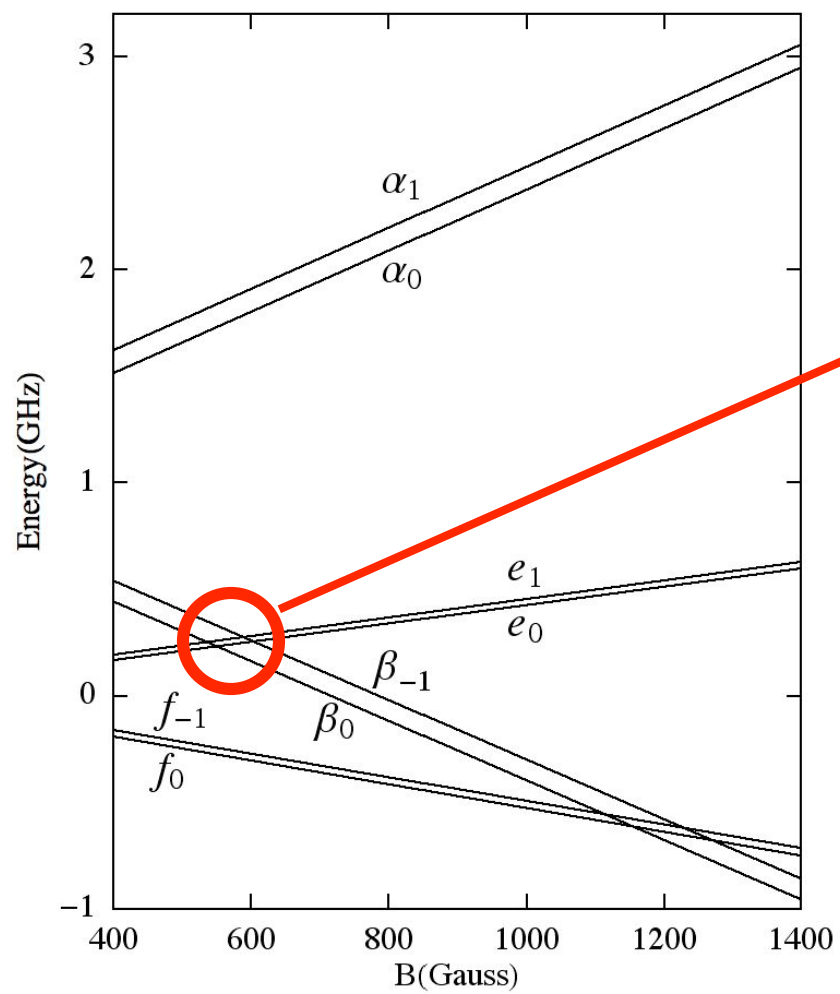
Table 1. Parity violating weak neutral current couplings for H and D.

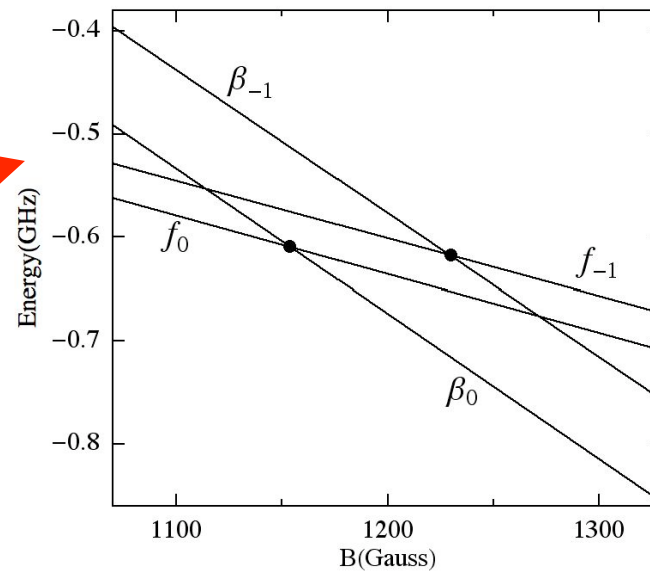
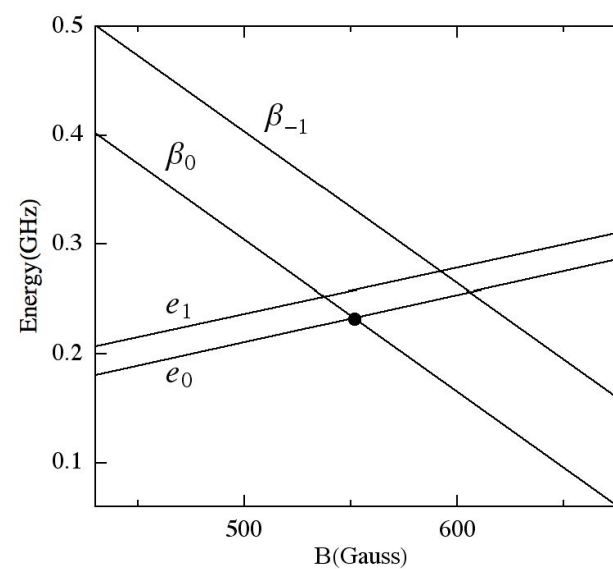
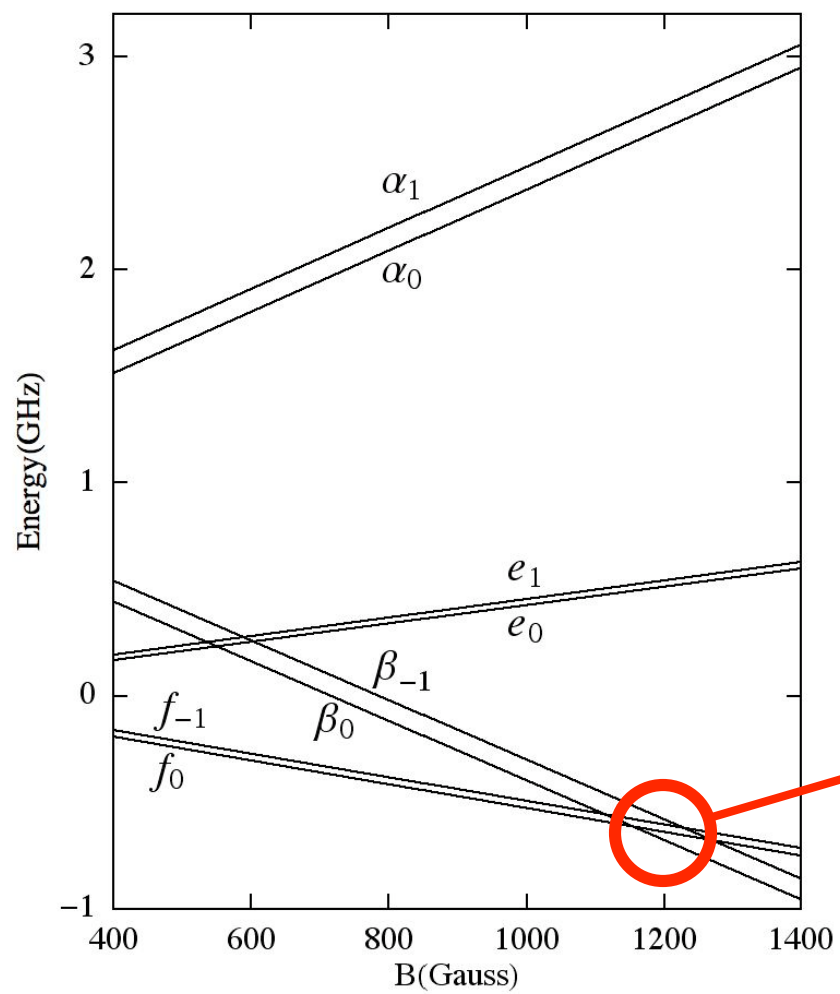
Coupling	From model-independent fit[1]	Standard Model
C_{1p}	0.082 ± 0.034	0.0355
C_{1D}	-0.441 ± 0.012	-0.4587
C_{2p}	-0.16 ± 0.26	0.043
C_{2D}	-0.32 ± 0.4	0.007



Level Crossings In Hydrogen $n=2$

Subscripts are m_F





Crossings in Deuterium

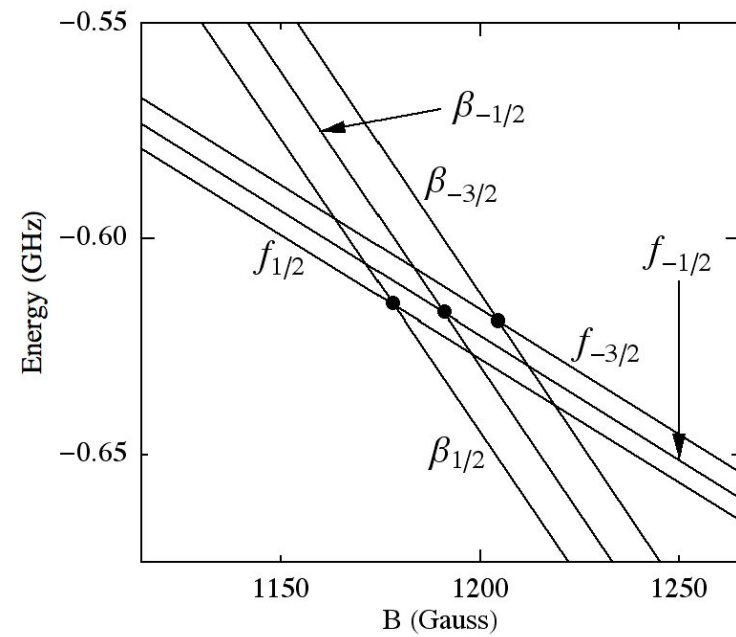
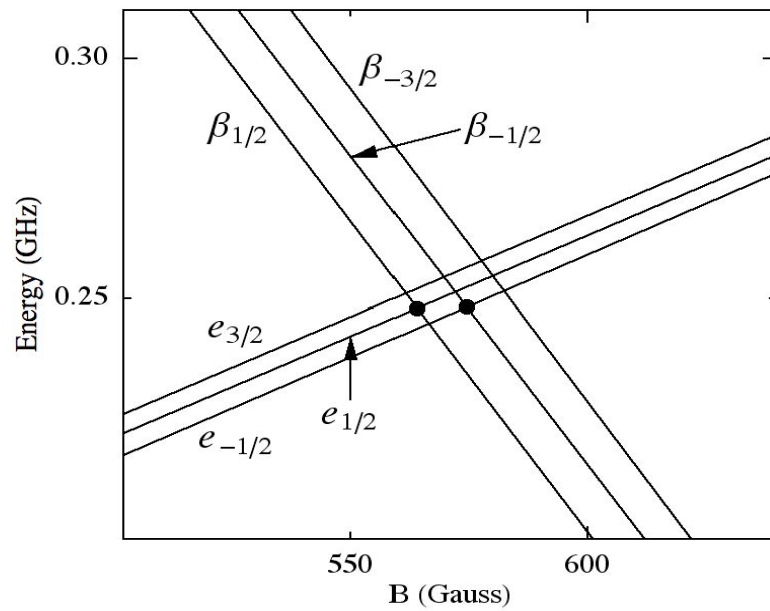


Table 2. Matrix elements for parity-violating, weak-neutral-current couplings for hydrogen and deuterium at the level crossings. In units of $i\bar{\mathcal{V}}_w \approx 2\pi \times 0.013 \text{ s}^{-1}$. $C_{1D} \equiv C_{1p} + C_{1n}$ and $C_{2D} \equiv C_{2p} + C_{2n}$.

Matrix Element	Value	Standard Model
Hydrogen		
$\langle e_0 V \beta_0\rangle$	$-2C_{2p}$	-0.086
$\langle f_0 V \beta_0\rangle$	$C_{1p} + 1.1C_{2p}$	0.083
$\langle f_{-1} V \beta_{-1}\rangle$	$C_{1p} - C_{2p}$	-0.007
Deuterium		
$\langle e_{1/2} V \beta_{1/2}\rangle$	$-\sqrt{2}C_{2D}$	-0.010
$\langle e_{-1/2} V \beta_{-1/2}\rangle$	$-\sqrt{2}C_{2D}$	-0.010
$\langle f_{1/2} V \beta_{1/2}\rangle$	$C_{1D} + C_{2D}$	-0.452
$\langle f_{-1/2} V \beta_{-1/2}\rangle$	C_{1D}	-0.459
$\langle f_{-3/2} V \beta_{-3/2}\rangle$	$C_{1D} - C_{2D}$	-0.466

Hydrogen PNC Groups

■ Michigan (Ann Arbor)

R. R. Lewis and W. L. Williams [Phys. Lett. B59, 70 (1975)].

E. Fry, T. Clegg, C. Wieman, R. W. Dunford, L. Lévy, D. Smith,
C. Fehrenbach (Thesis, 1993)

■ Yale

E. A. Hinds and V. W. Hughes [Phys. Lett. B67 487 (1977)] .

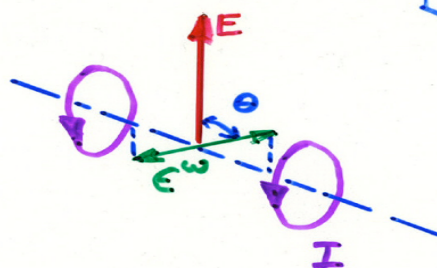
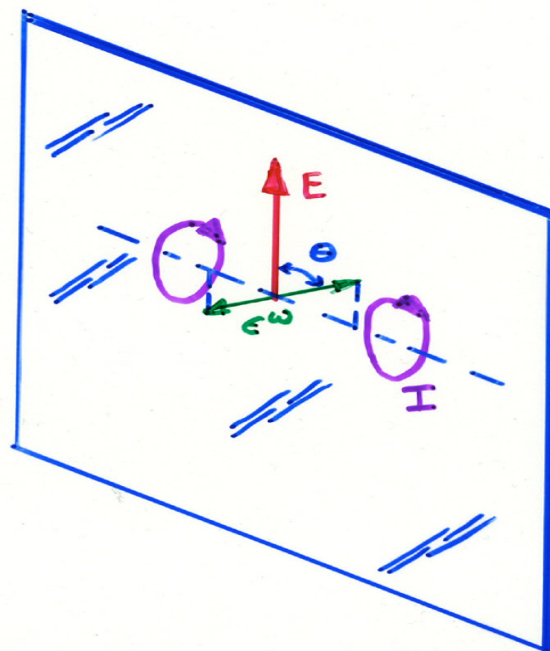
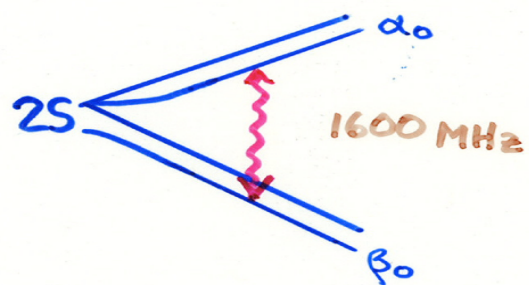
J. W. Edwards, G. L. Greene, J. M. Hettema (Thesis, 1990)

■ Washington (Seattle)

E. G. Adelberger, E. N. Fortson, T. A. Trainor [NIM, 179, 181 (1981)].

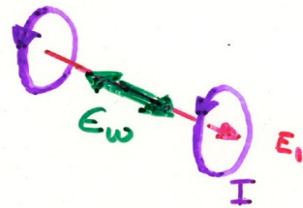
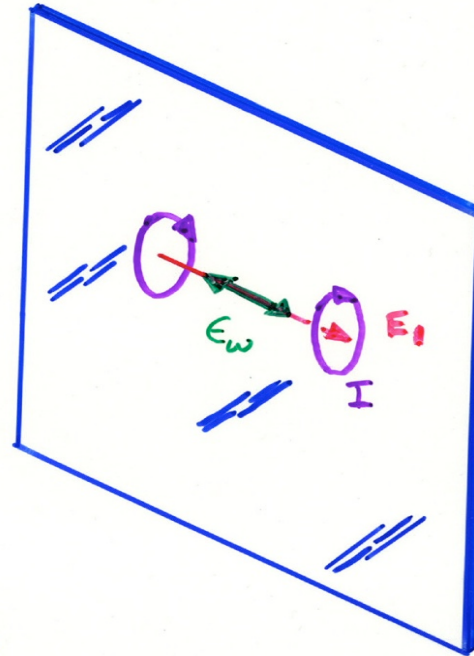
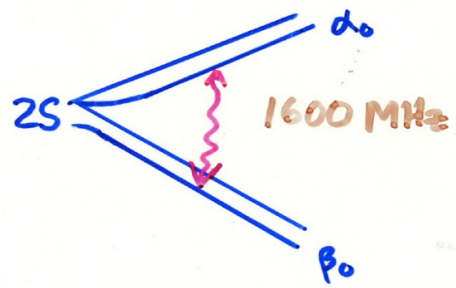
T. E. Chupp, D. W. Holmgren, M. Z. Iqbal, H. E. Swanson,
P. W. Wong (Thesis, 1990).

Michigan



$$C_{2p}(\hat{E} \cdot \hat{B})(\hat{E} \cdot \hat{E})$$

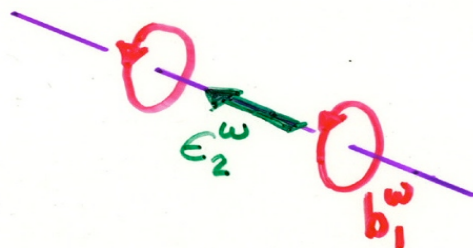
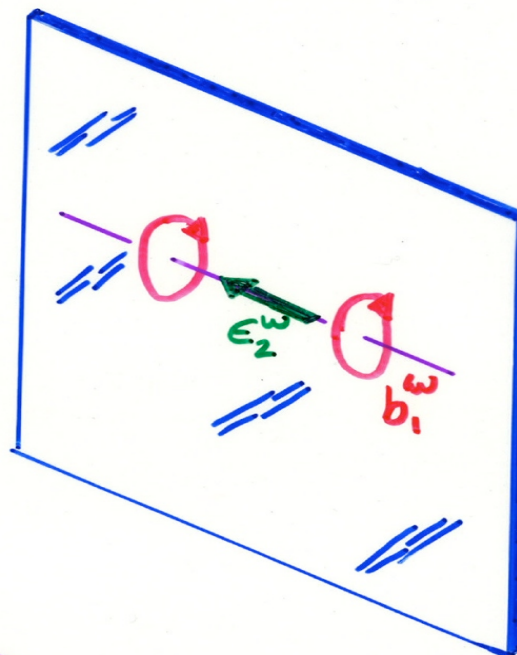
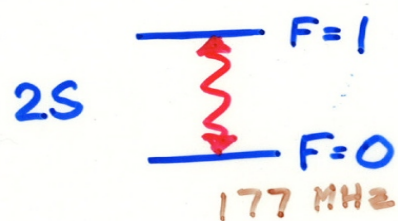
Washington H Parity Experiment



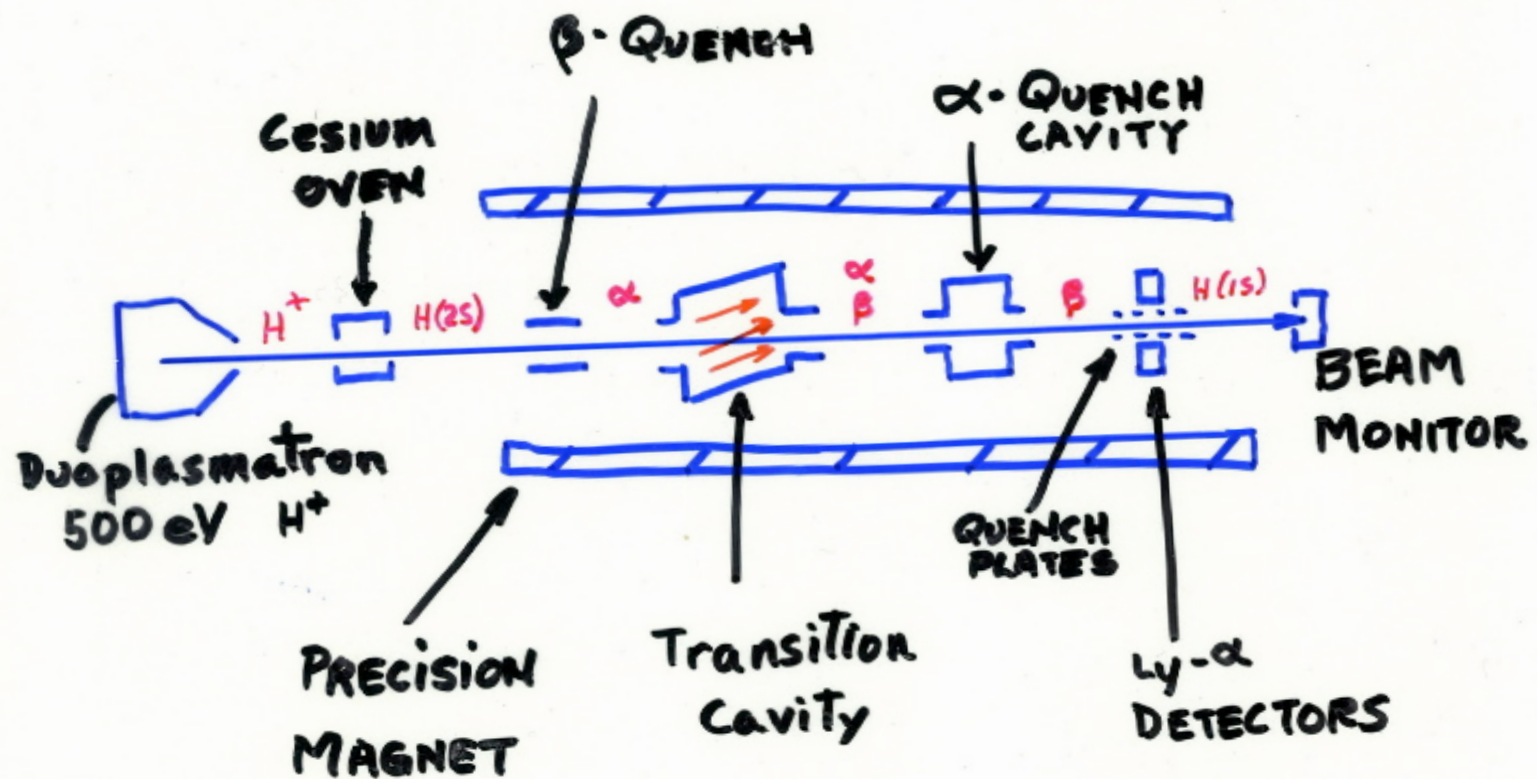
$$C_F e^2 (\hat{E} \cdot \hat{B})$$

TWO CAVITIES

Yale



$$C_{2p}(\hat{b}^{\omega} \cdot \hat{E}^{\omega})$$



Limits on C_{2p} from H PNC experiments

- < 575 *Nuclear Physics Laboratory
Annual Report, U. of Washington,
1983, p50.*
- < 300 *E. A. Hinds, in "The Spectrum of Atomic
Hydrogen - Advances", pg. 245 (1988).*
- 0 ± 620 *L. Lévy, W. L. Williams,
Phys. Rev. Lett. 48, 607 (1982).*
- 1.5
 $+1.5_{\text{statistical}}$
 $+22_{\text{systematic}}$ *Charles Fehrenbach,
Thesis, U. of Michigan, 1993.*

Requirements for 0.3% Measurement of $\sin^2 \theta_W$ in H

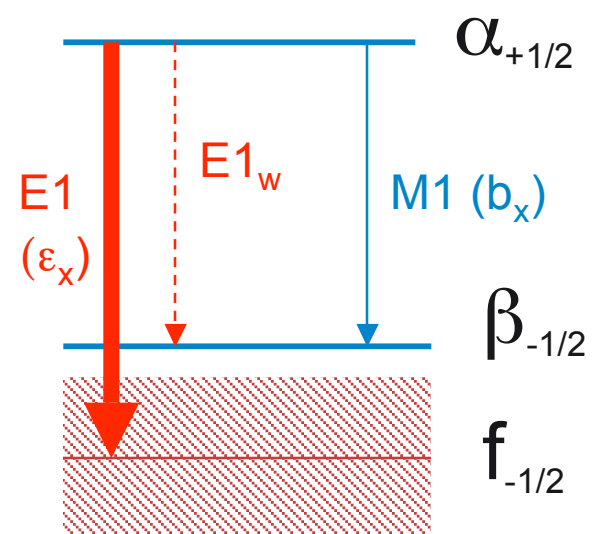
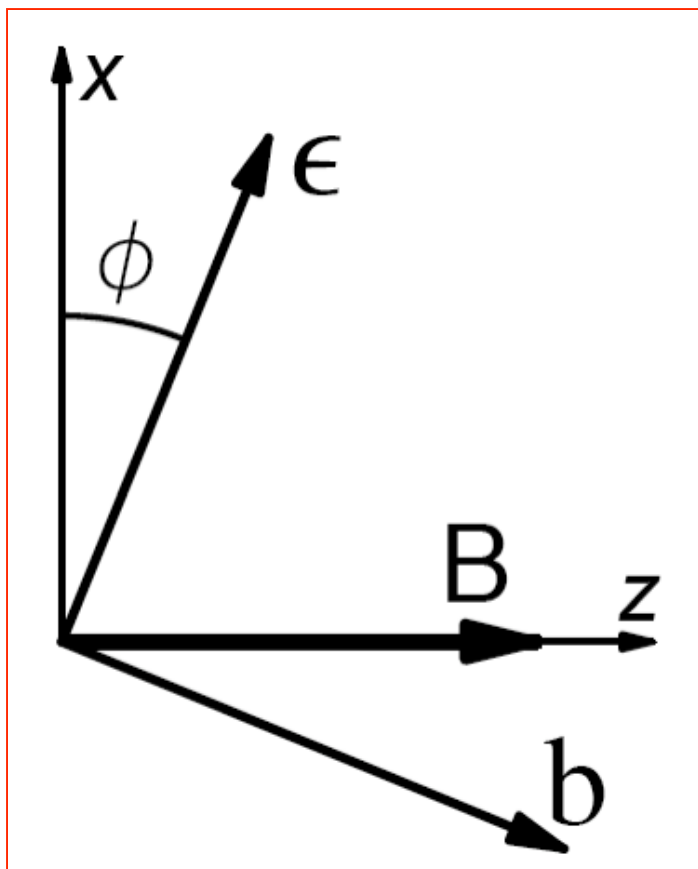
Signal/Noise (S/N) improvement by 2 orders of magnitude

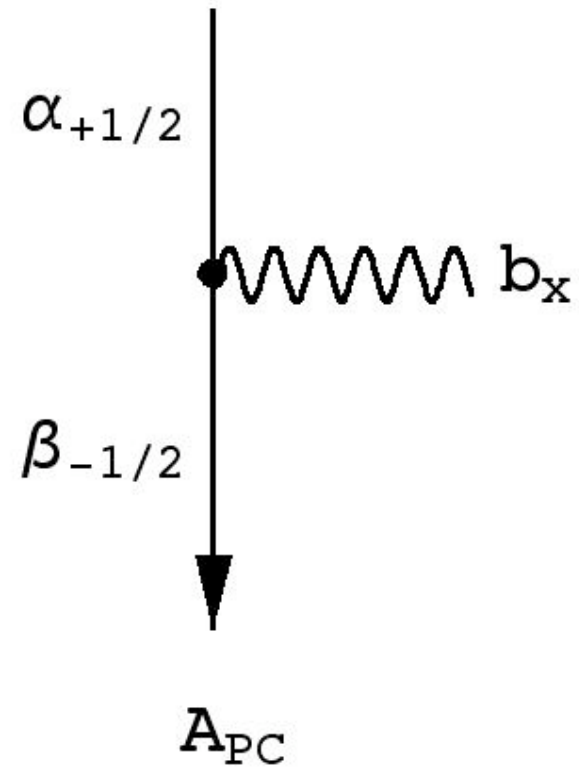
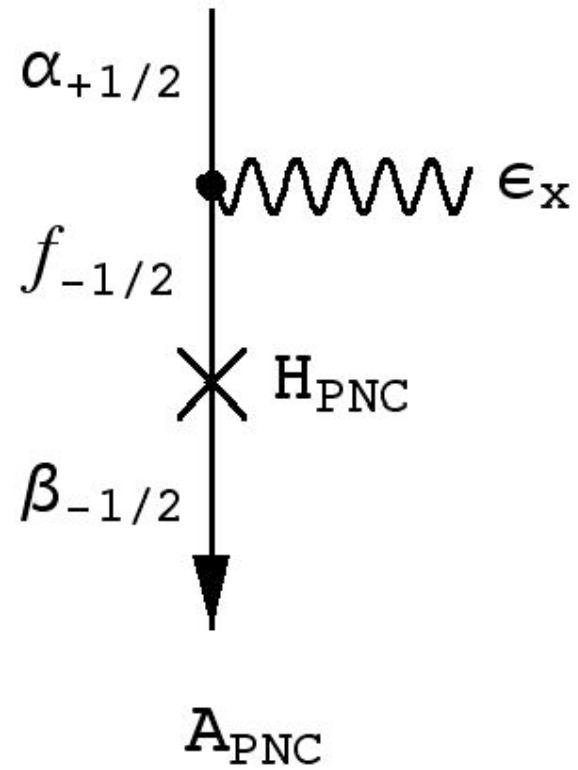
- Increase the transit time τ through the interaction region
- More intense metastable beam
- Slow, Intense H(2S) beam using FEL

Significantly Reduce Systematic Errors

- Precise control over alignment and applied fields
- Simple configuration
- Slow beam to minimize “motional” fields

RW Dunford and RJ Holt, J. Phys. G 34(2007) 2099





Fraction of rate due to APV

$$\approx \frac{-1.1 \times 10^{-7}}{\tan \phi}$$

Signal to Noise at Optimum Microwave Power

Weak Coupling Strength Counting Time Transit Time

Detection Efficiency Metastable Atoms/s 2p Decay Rate

$$\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{opt} = 1.8 |\bar{\mathcal{V}}_w C_{1D}| (\eta J T \tau / \gamma_{2p})^{1/2}$$

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Requirement on Magnetic Field Homogeneity

$$\frac{\Delta B}{B} < \frac{\gamma_{\alpha+1/2}}{\omega_{\alpha+1/2} \beta_{-1/2}} \sim \frac{10^{-10} s}{\tau}$$

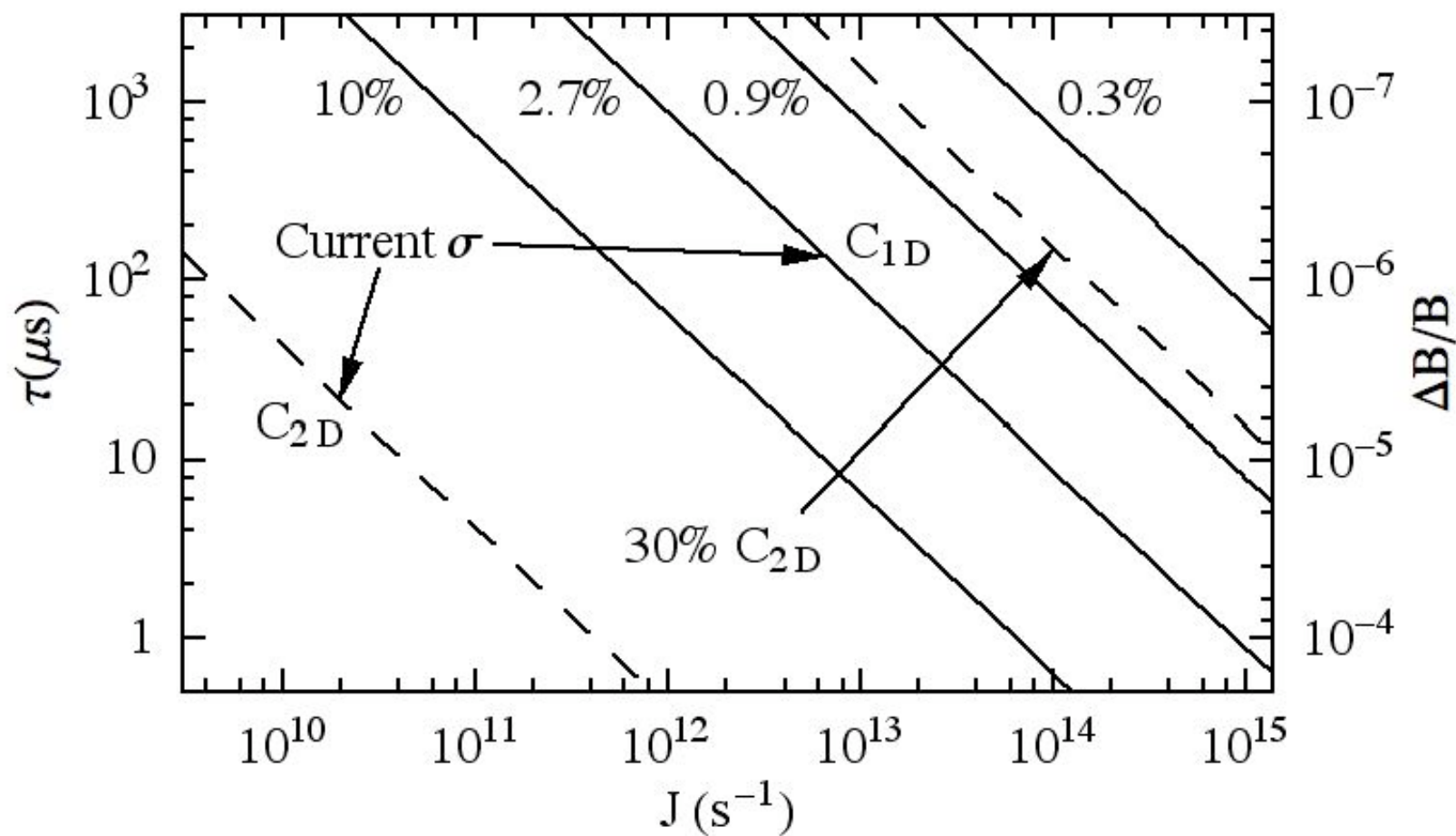
Required Experimental Parameters

$$\left(\frac{S}{N}\right)_{opt} = 1.8|\bar{\mathcal{V}}_w C_{1D}|(\eta J T \tau / \gamma_{2p})^{1/2} \quad \frac{\Delta B}{B} < \frac{\gamma_{\alpha+1/2}}{\omega_{\alpha+1/2} \beta_{-1/2}} \sim \frac{10^{-10} s}{\tau}$$

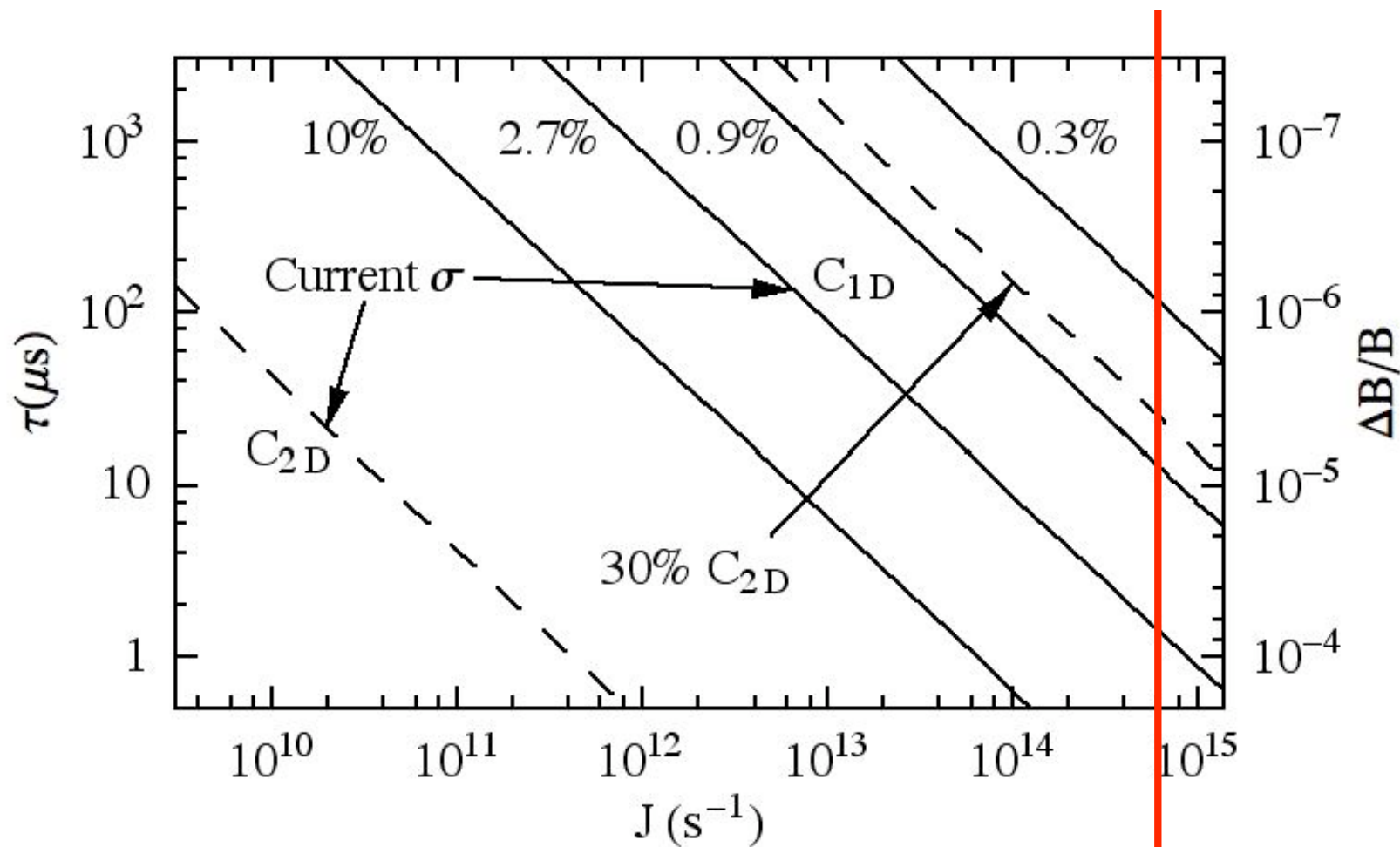
Table 3. Parameters determining the optimized sensitivity (Eq. 22)

Symbol	Meaning	Assumed for Figs. 6 and 7
η	Total detection efficiency	0.5
J	Metastable flux/hyperfine component	—
T	Counting time	5 days
τ	Interaction time	—
$i\bar{\mathcal{V}}_w$	H PNC coupling strength (n=2)	$2\pi \times 0.013 \text{ s}^{-1}$
γ_{2p}	2p decay rate	$2\pi \times 10^8 \text{ s}^{-1}$

Sensitivity for Deuterium APV Experiment

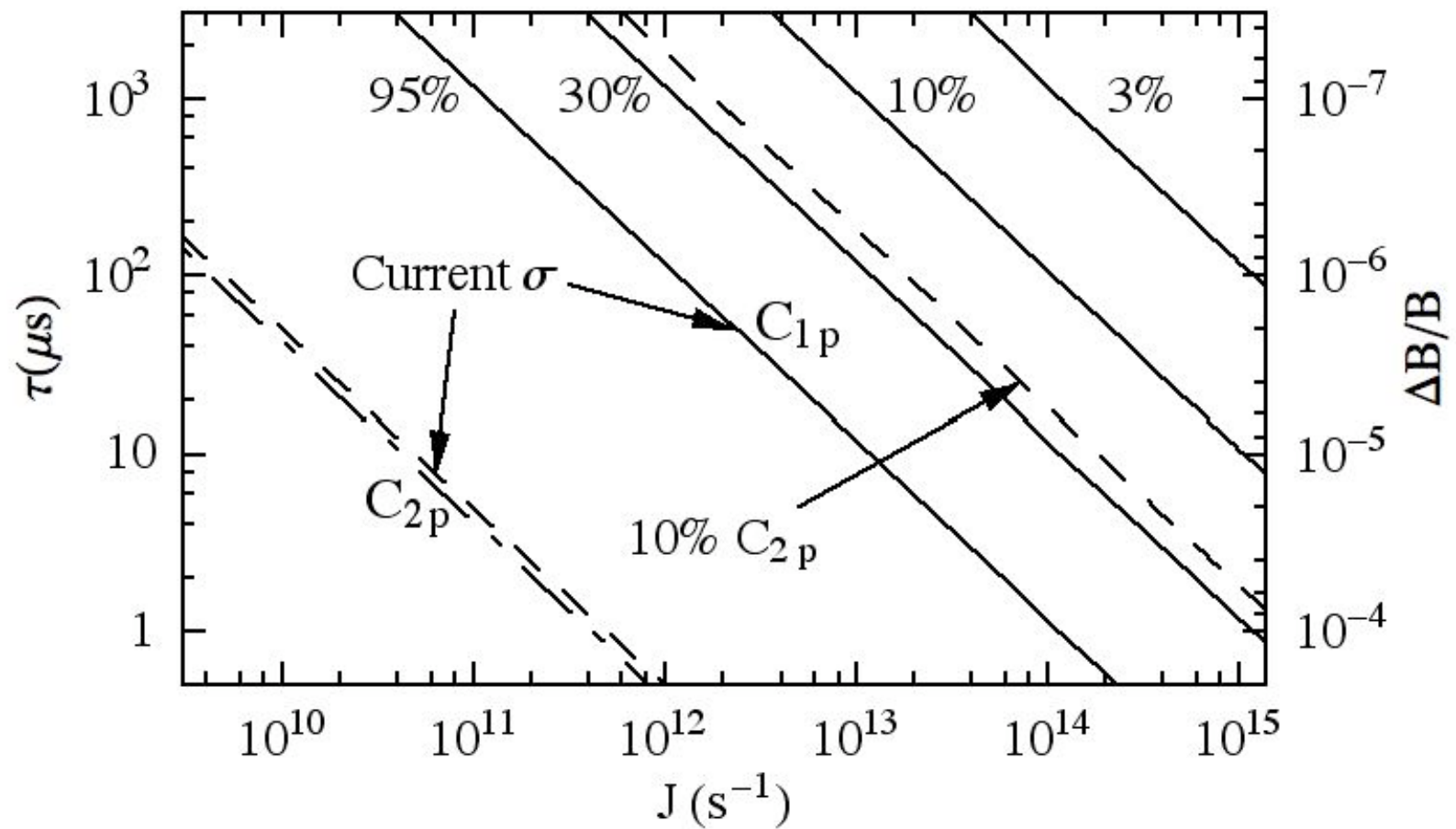


Sensitivity for Deuterium APV Experiment



$$\Delta \sin^2 \theta_w \sim 0.3\% \quad t \sim 100 \mu\text{s} \quad \Delta B/B \sim 10^{-6} \quad J \sim 5 \times 10^{14} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Sensitivity for Hydrogen APV Experiment



Motional electric field systematic effect:

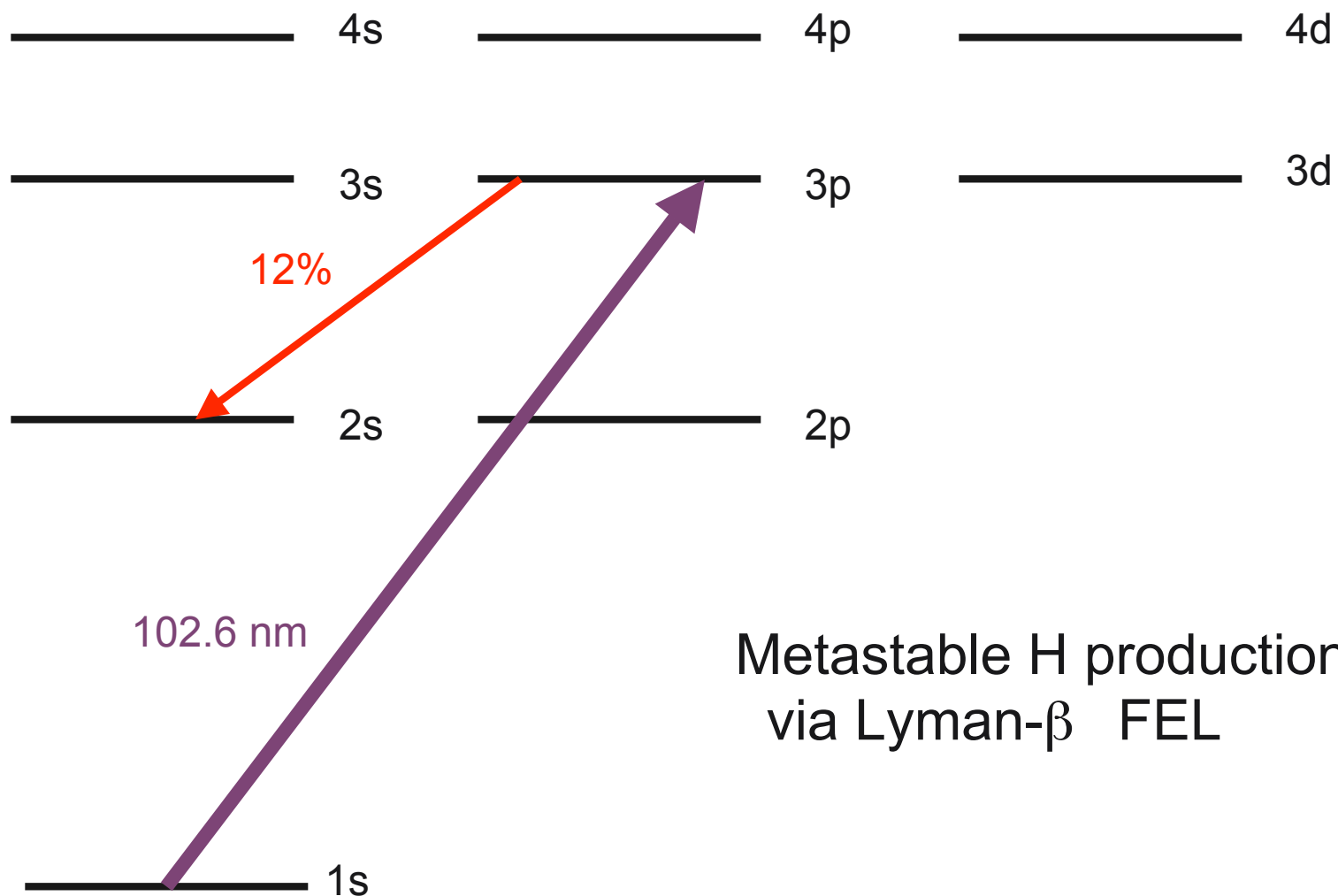
- Slow D beam $\sim 1/300$ Suppression compared to Fehrenbach experiment
- High crossing $\sim 1/10$ Suppression compared to Fehrenbach experiment
- Ratio of motional field term to the Pseudoscalar

$$R^{mot} = 8 \times 10^5 \frac{\langle E^{mot} \rangle \sin \chi}{C_{1D}}$$

- Proposed experiment with alignment as good as Fehrenbach

$$R^{mot} \approx \frac{0.01}{C_{1D}} \approx 0.02$$

- Monitor electric fields during expt. using the atoms themselves
Advantage Intense Beam

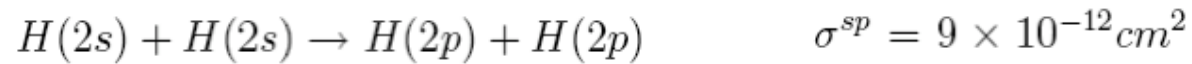


Metastable H production
via Lyman- β FEL

K. C. Harvey, JAP **53**(1982)3383

Metastable Beam Production

- Quench Mechanism: Beam Density Requirement



$$\rho_{2s} < \frac{1}{\sigma^{sp} \lambda_{mfp}} \approx 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

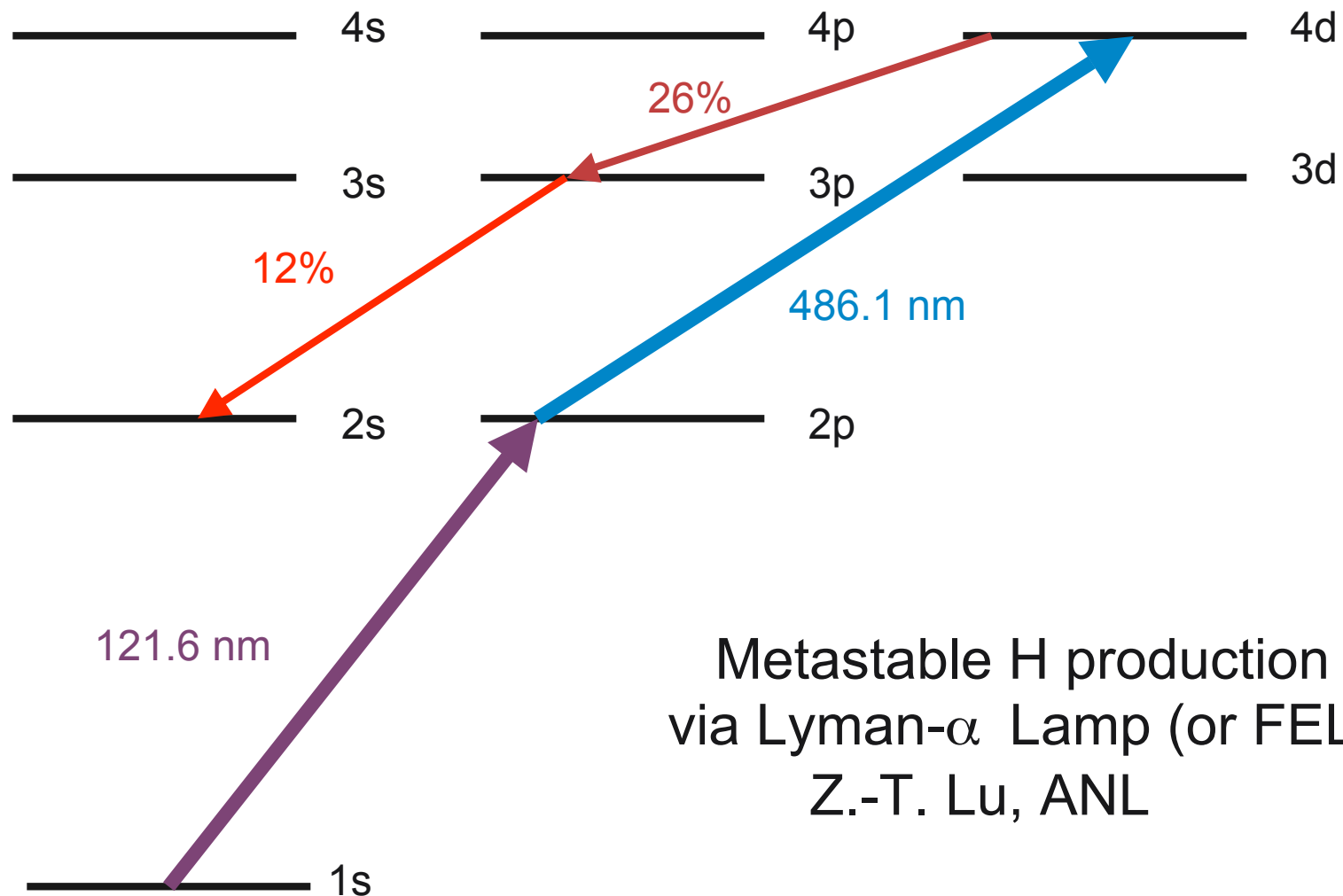
- Pumping $1s \rightarrow 3p \rightarrow 2s$ (12% Branch)

$$\sigma_{1s3p} \approx \frac{1.3 \times 10^{-12}}{\gamma_{\text{line}}(\text{GHz})} \text{ cm}^2 \quad \text{at } 102.6 \text{ nm}$$

- FEL Requirement for $5 \times 10^{14} \text{ D}(2s) / \text{s}$

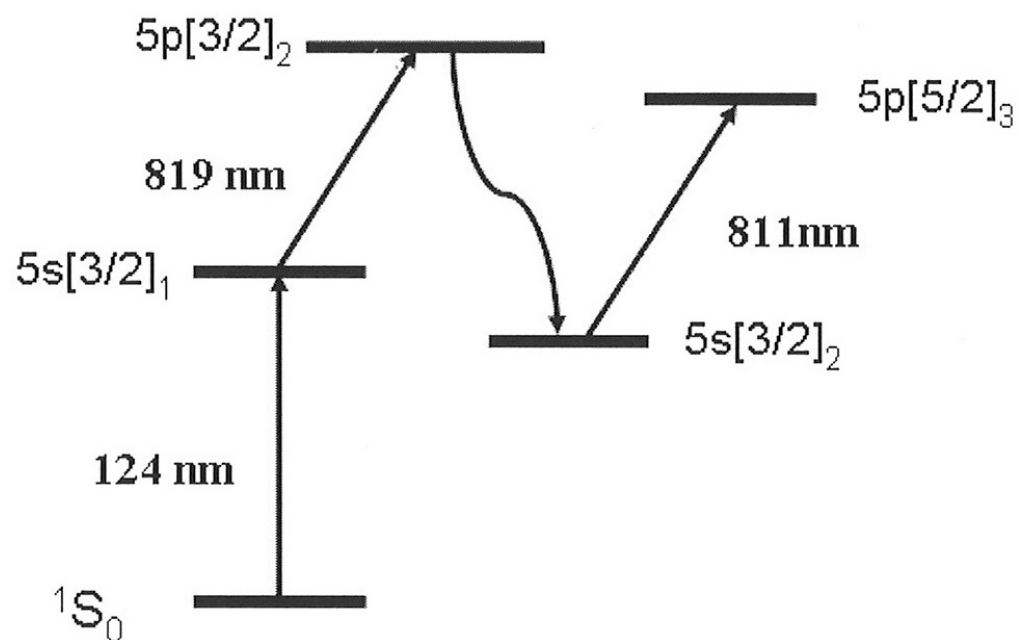
With $2 \times 10^{17} \text{ D}(1s) / \text{s}$ in 2.5 cm diameter

40 mW GHz^{-1}

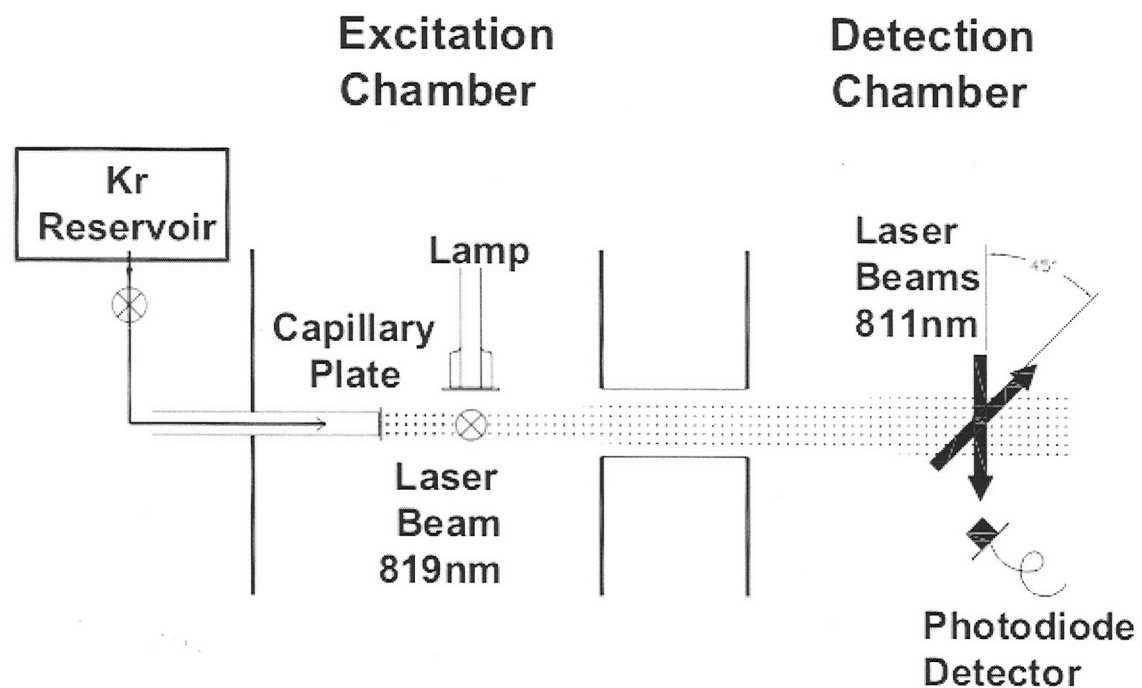


Metastable H production
via Lyman- α Lamp (or FEL)
Z.-T. Lu, ANL

Pumping/Detection in Kr Beam Experiment*



Kr Beam for Atomic Trap Trace Analysis (ATTA)*



Ding, Bailey, Davis, Dunford, Lu, O'Connor, Young, RSI 78 (2007) 023103

Summary:

- Negligible atomic physics uncertainty for H APV experiments compelling
- Goal of 0.3% measurement of C_{1D} - factor of 3 improvement on APV limit on $\sin^2 \theta_w$
- Such an experiment requires a minimum of 5×10^{14} slow D(2S) Atoms/s
- requires FEL at 102.6 nm with power/bandwidth 40 mW GHz⁻¹
- Work on optical production of metastable Kr suggests another scheme
 10^{14} Kr*/s achieved in a cell