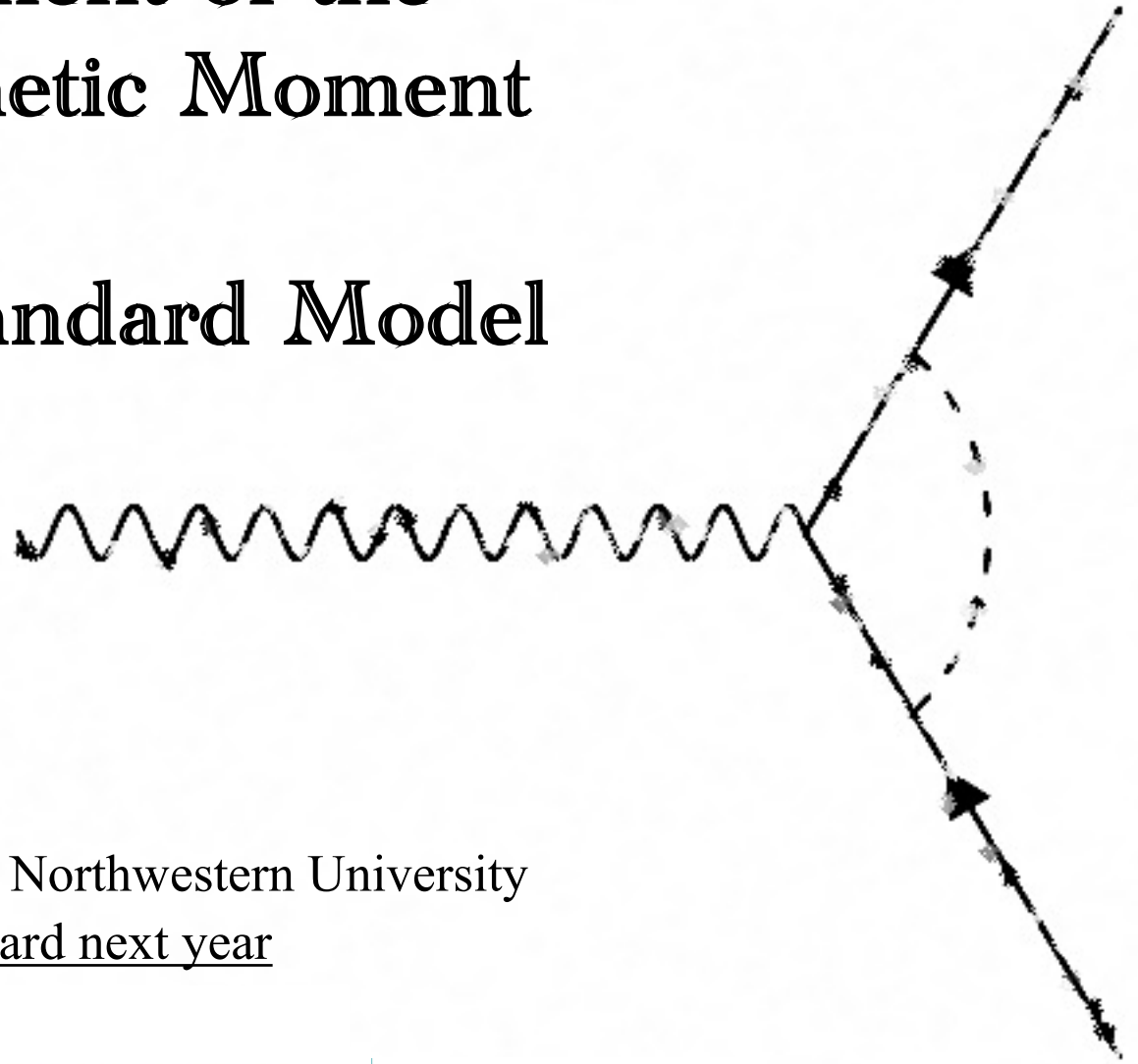


New Measurement of the Electron Magnetic Moment and Beyond the Standard Model



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Starting a new group at Harvard next year



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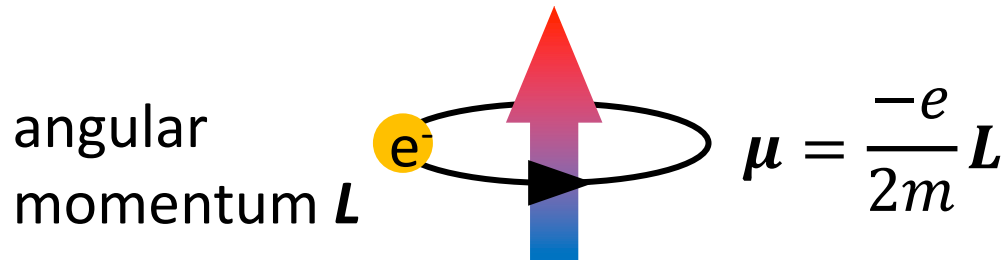


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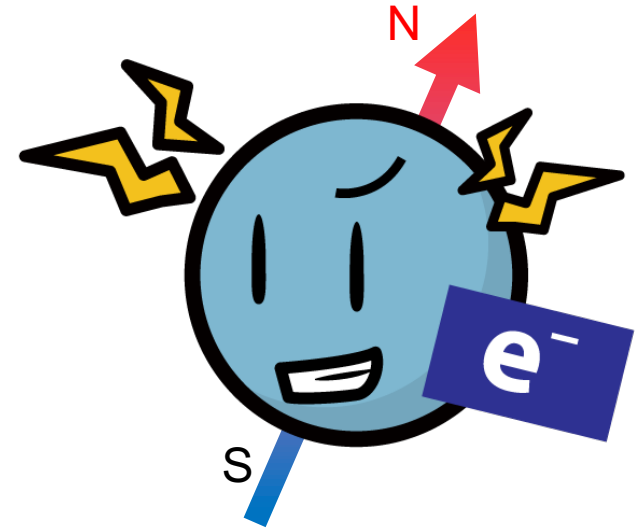
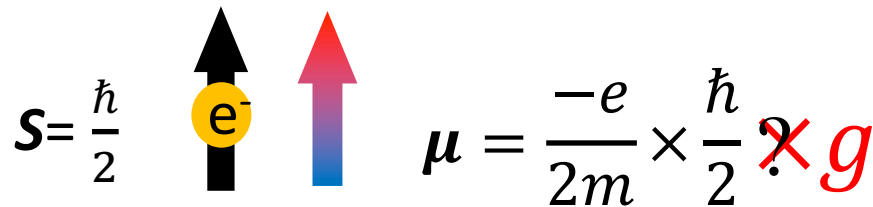
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Electron's Magnetic Moment

- Magnetic moment of an orbiting charge

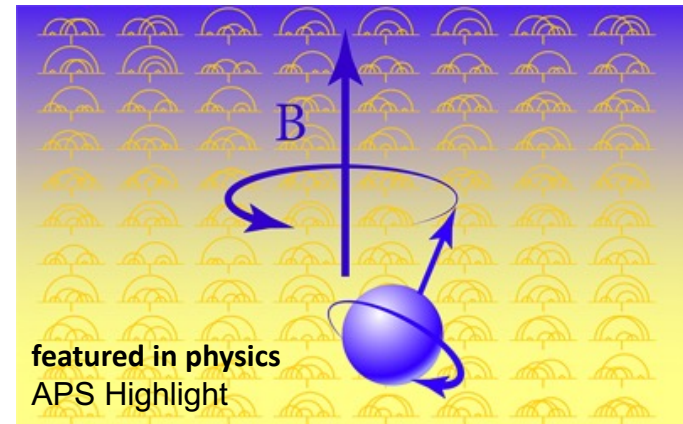


- An electron has a spin $S = \frac{\hbar}{2}$

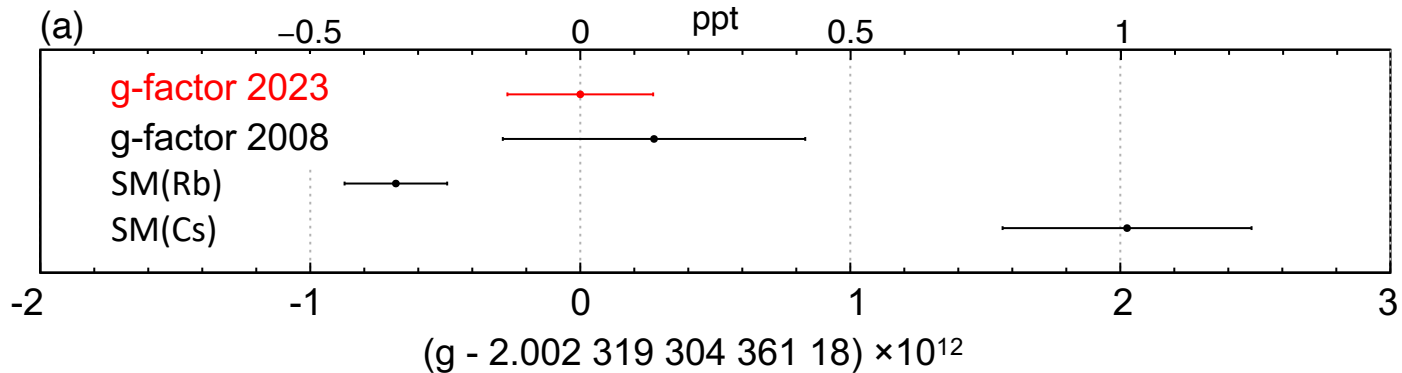
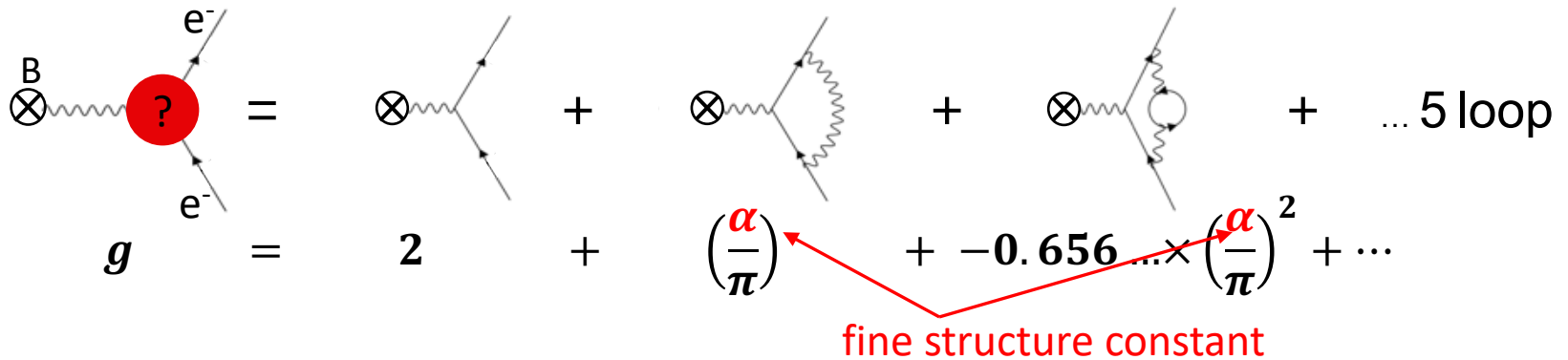


$g = 2.002\ 319\ 304\ 360 \dots$

SM g-factor



$$g(\text{SM calc.}) = 2.002\,319\,304\,360\,50\,(18)$$



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QED & SM
calculation



electron g-factor

G. Gabrielse
(Northwestern)



and me



fine structure constant

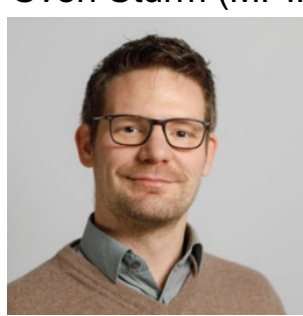
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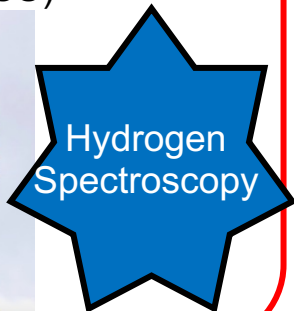
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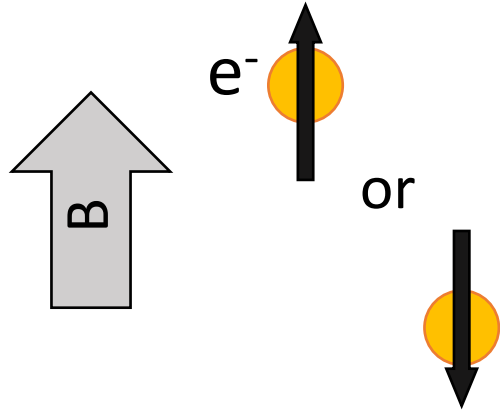


Hydrogen
Spectroscopy



Principle of g -factor measurement

In free space



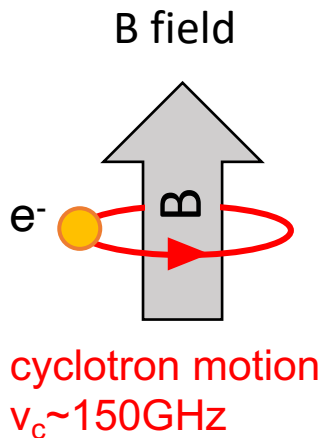
$$\Delta E_s = 2\mu \cdot B = \frac{g}{2} \times \frac{\hbar e B}{m}$$

spin precession
energy $h\nu_s$

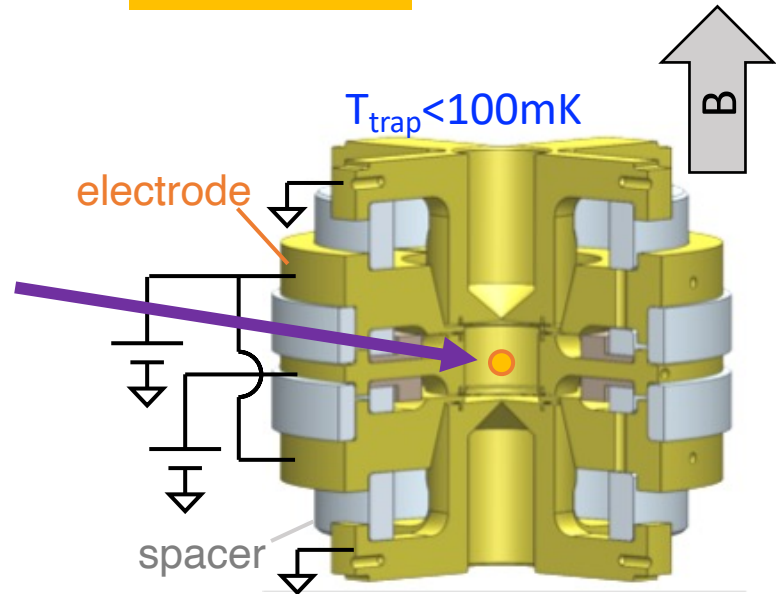
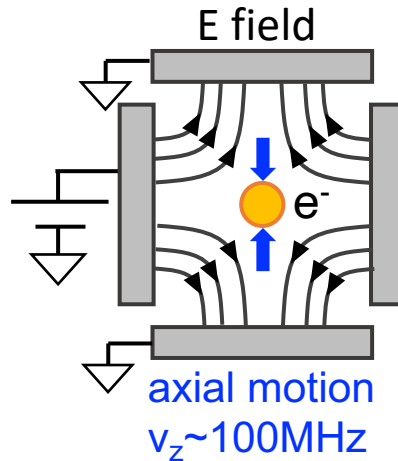
$$\frac{g}{2} = \frac{\nu_s}{\nu_c}$$

cyclotron motion
energy $h\nu_c$

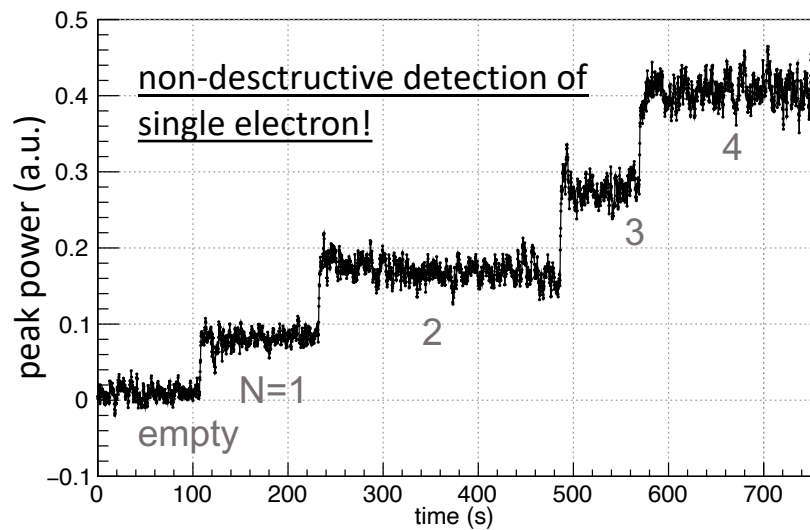
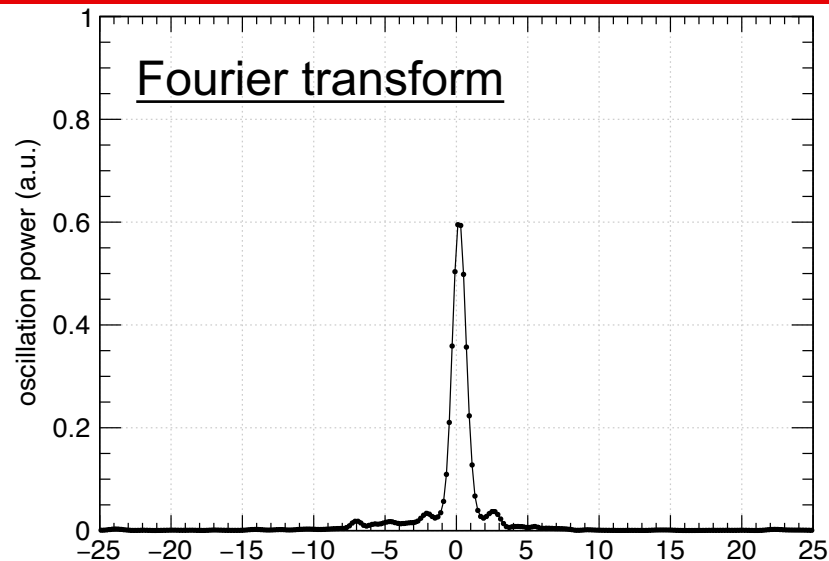
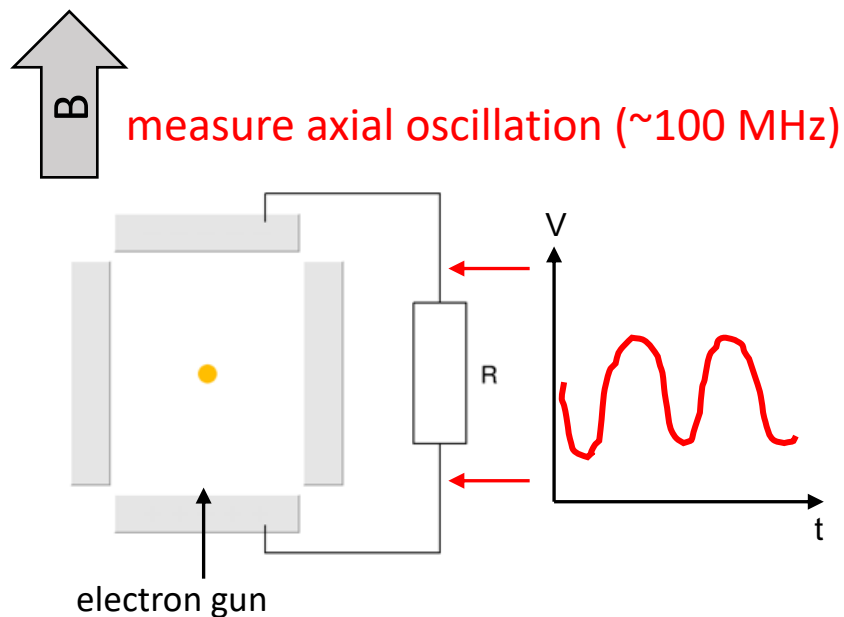
In a Penning trap



+

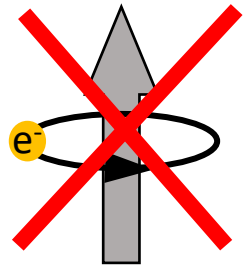


Electron Detection with Axial Motion

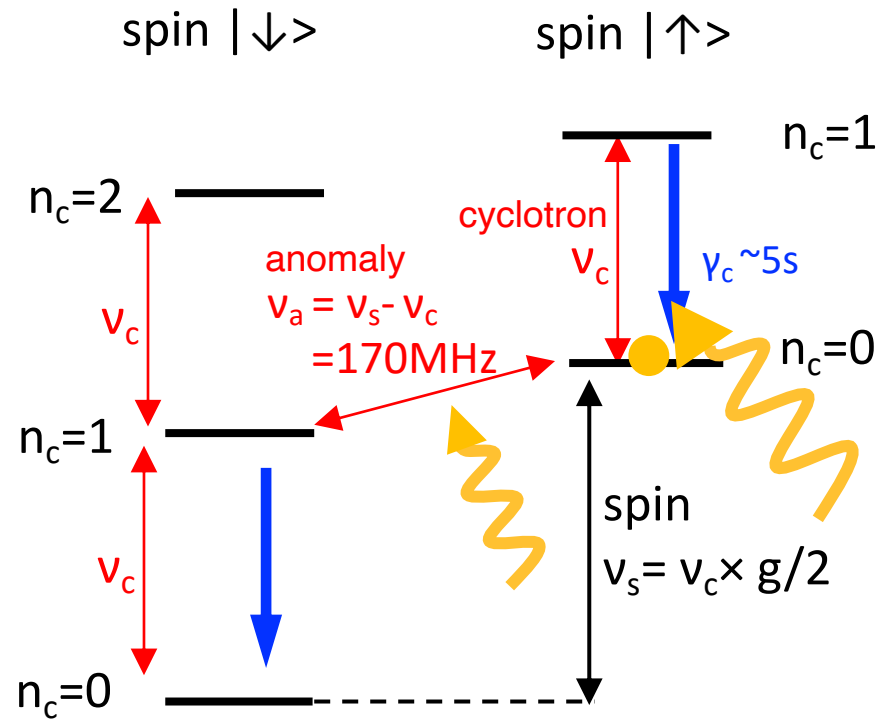


Quantum Picture of Cyclotron Motion = Penning Trap “Atom”

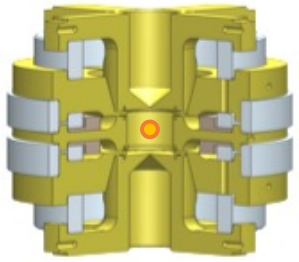
Quantized energy levels
(Landau levels)



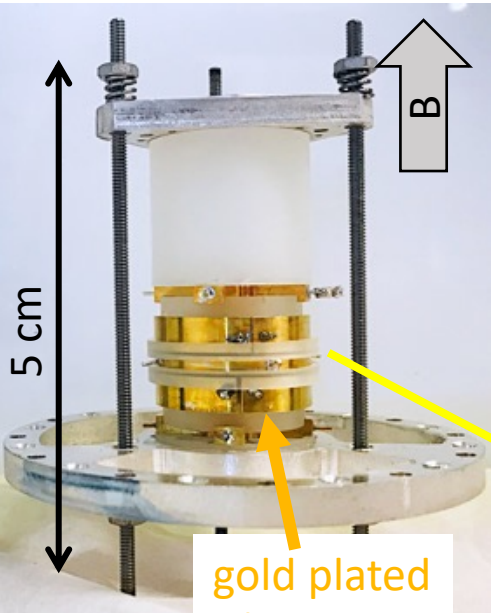
$\nu_c = 150 \text{ GHz}$
 $h\nu_c/k_B = 7.2 \text{ K}$
 $T_{\text{trap}} = 100 \text{ mK}$



The New Apparatus

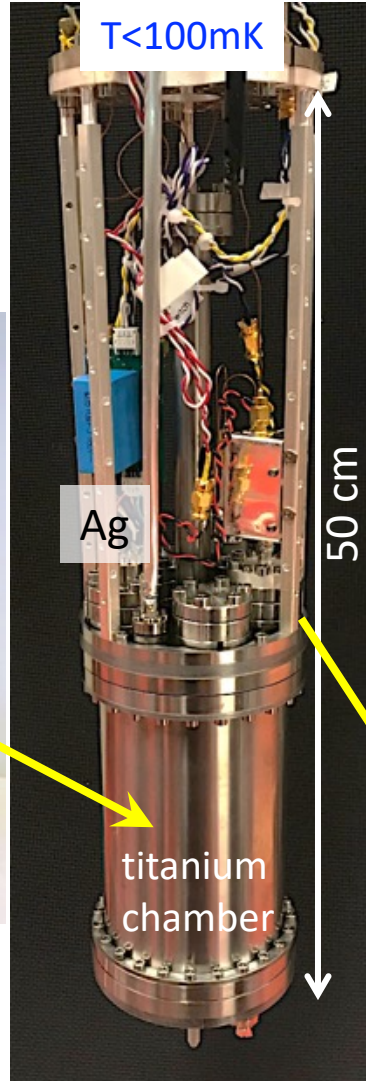


Penning trap



gold plated silver

vacuum chamber

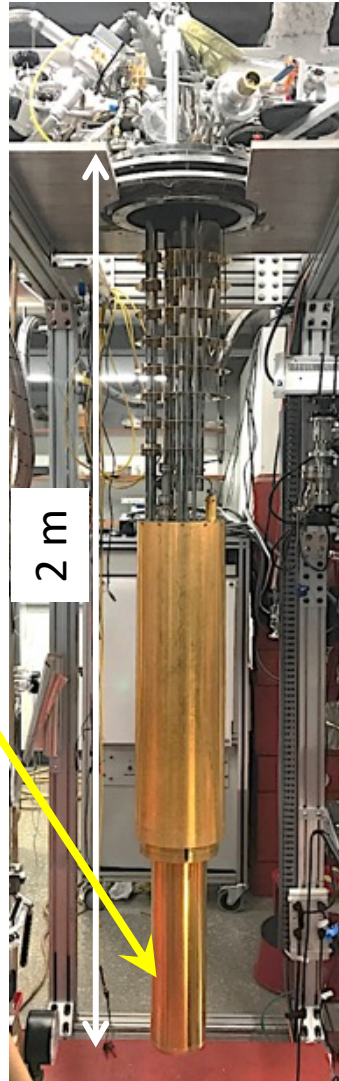


Ag

titanium chamber

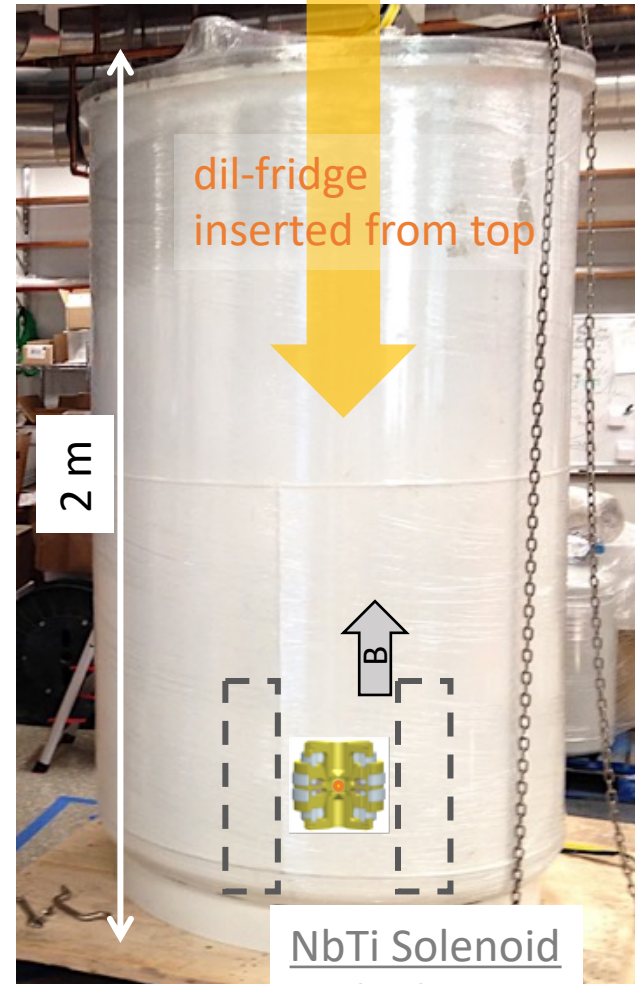
50 cm

dilution fridge



2 m

LHe Dewar with a magnet



dil-fridge
inserted from top

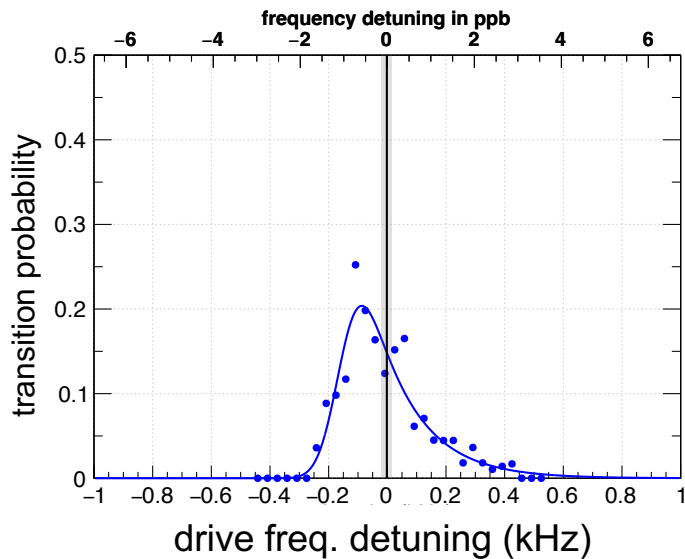
2 m

NbTi Solenoid
at the bottom

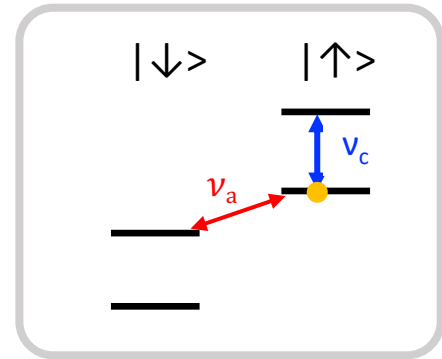
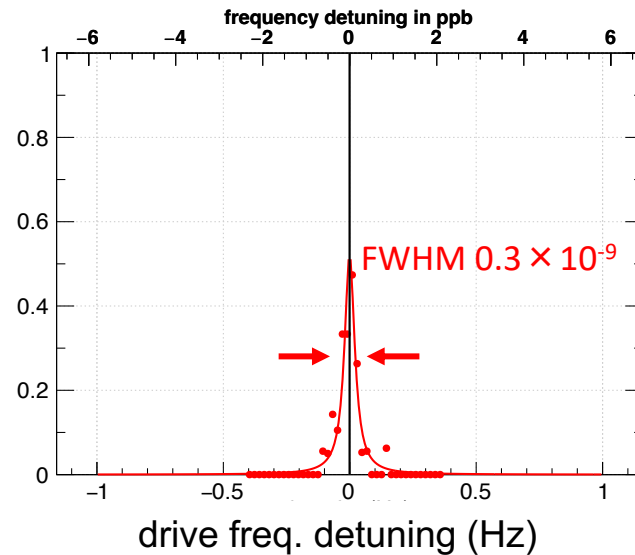
Spectroscopy

Transition Prob. vs Drive Freq

cyclotron



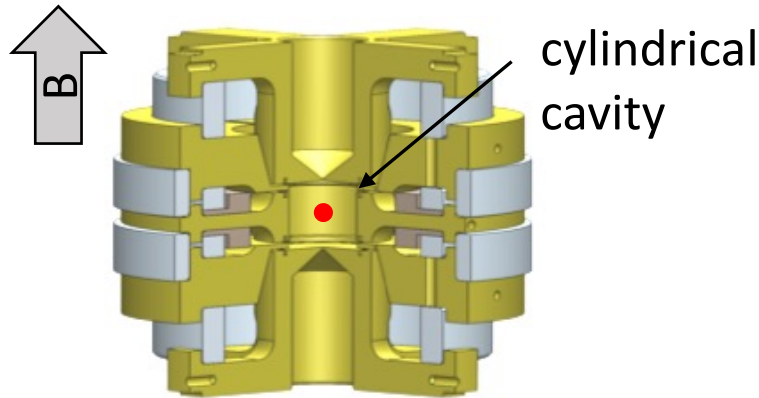
anomaly



$$\frac{g}{2} = \frac{\nu_s}{\nu_c} = 1 + \frac{\nu_a}{\nu_c}$$

- Linewidth is dominated by axial temperature and fast 0.5ppb B field fluctuation

Image Charge Shift



$$\frac{g}{2} = \frac{\nu_s}{\nu_c + \Delta\nu_c^{ICS}}$$

top view
cyclotron motion

positive image charge

ν_c fast

ν_c very fast

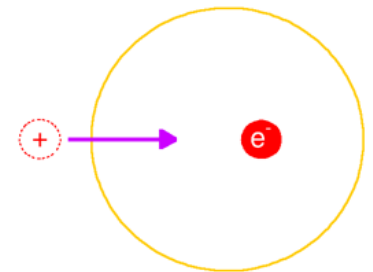
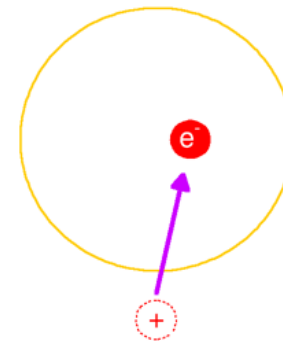
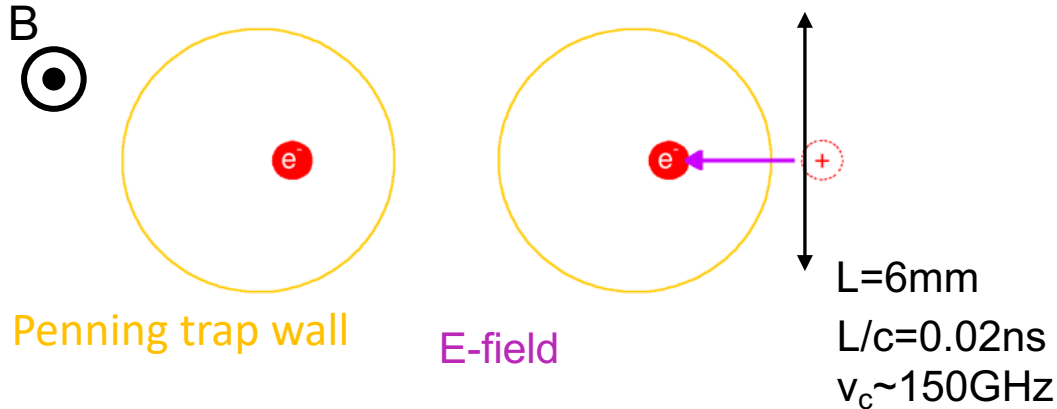
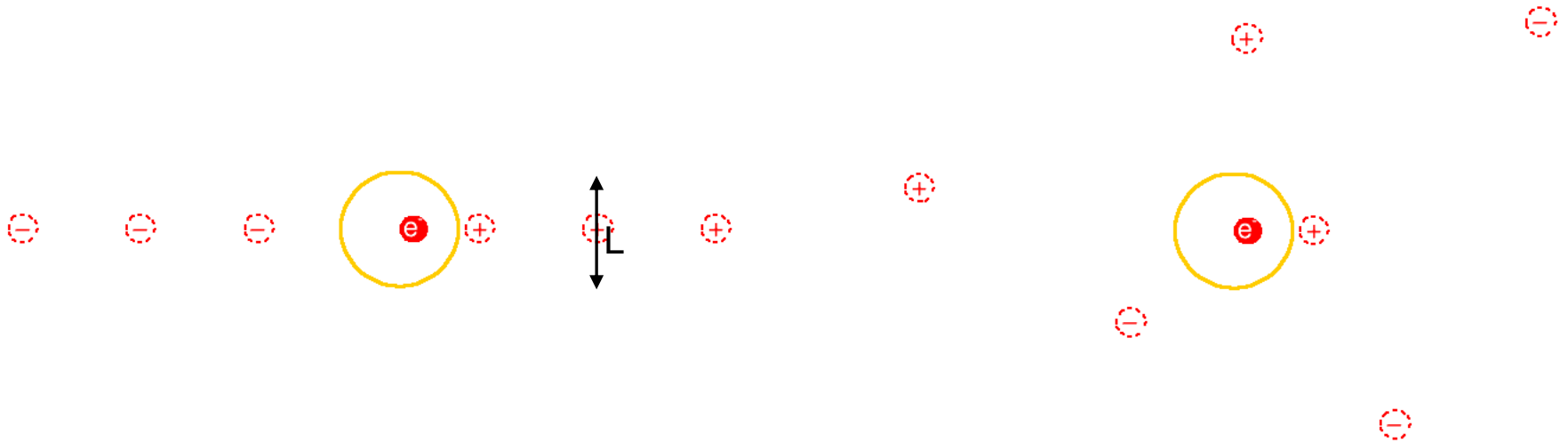


Image Charge of Image Charge...



$$\nu_c = c/2L \times n$$

large shift!

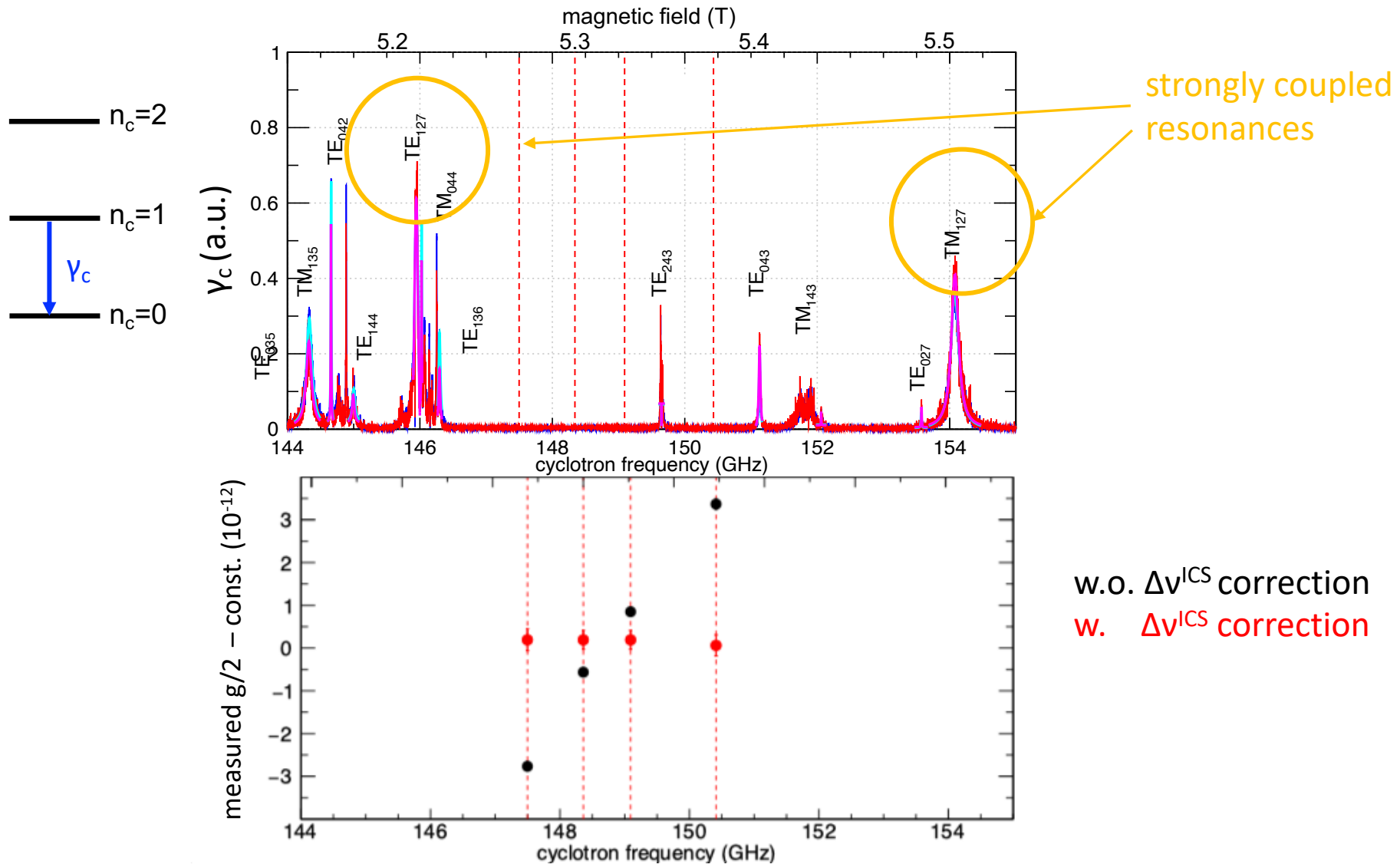
$$\nu_c \neq c/2L \times n$$

small shift!

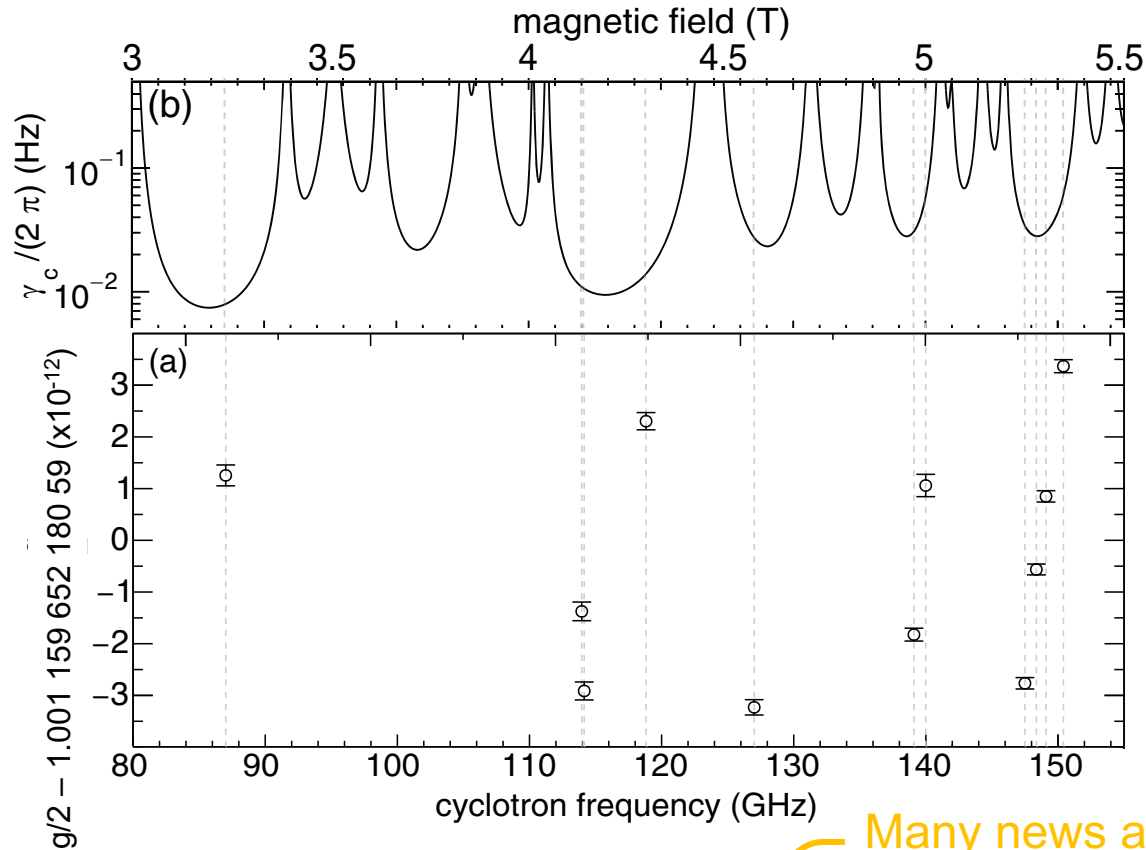
- $\Delta\nu_c^{\text{ICS}}$ depends on trap cavity's resonance
=cavity QED

→ measure cavity resonances and correct

Huge!



Measurements at Different Fields



○ before image charge correction
● after image charge correction

$\chi^2/\text{ndf}=13.05/10, p=0.22$

Many news articles

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WIRED ScienceNews
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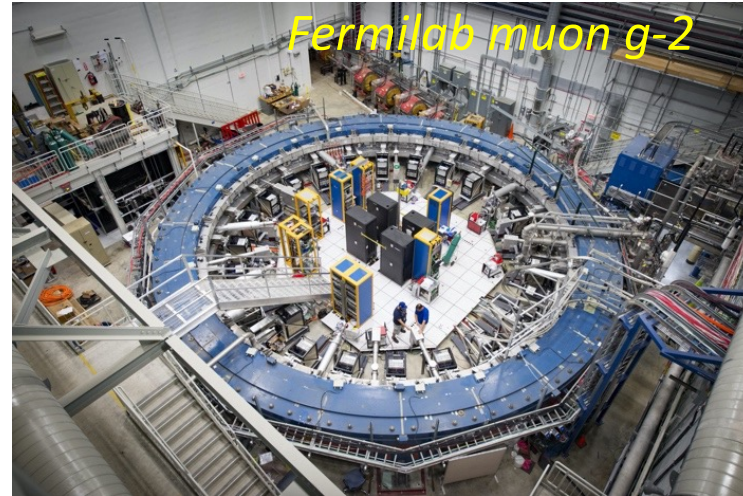
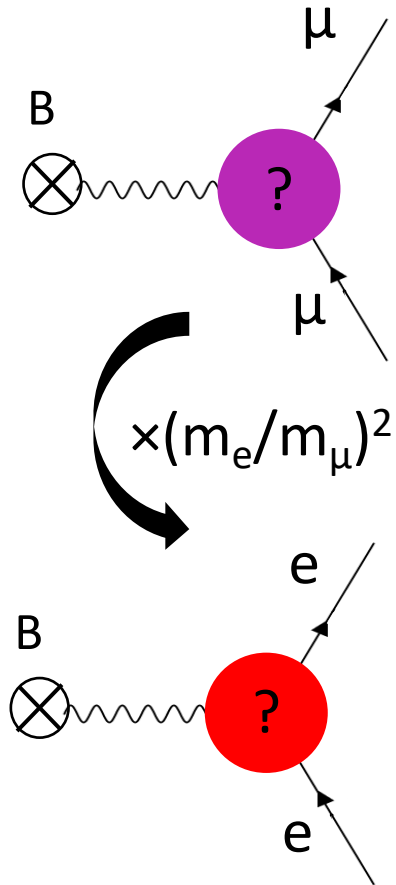
appears in 18 Wikipedia pages

average 11 fields from 3 T to 5.5T

$g = 2.002\ 319\ 304\ 361\ 18\ (27)$

$\alpha^{-1} = 137.035\ 999\ 166\ (15)$

Able to Check Muon g-2?



Fermilab muon g-2

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$$\Delta g_\mu = g_\mu^{\text{exp}} - g_\mu^{\text{theo.}} = 498(96) \times 10^{-11} \quad 4.2\sigma$$

$$\Delta g_e = \Delta g_\mu \times (m_e/m_\mu)^2 = 0.12 \times 10^{-12}$$

electron g-factor: $\sigma(g_e) = 0.26 \times 10^{-12}$

another factor of 2.2

and a better α measurement

Rb (Sorbonne), Cs (Berkeley), Sr? Yb?

Applying electron g-factor Technique for other physics?

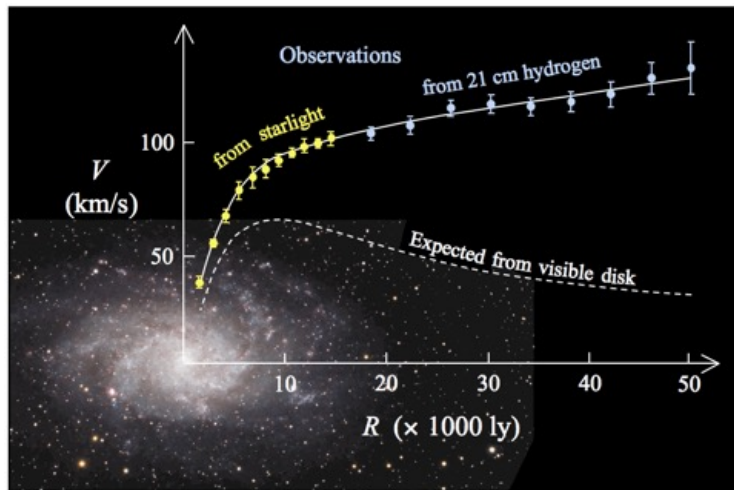


QCD Axion Search

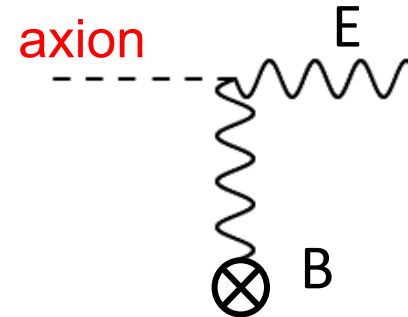
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One-Electron Quantum Cyclotron as a Milli-eV Dark-Photon Detector

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axion-photon coupling



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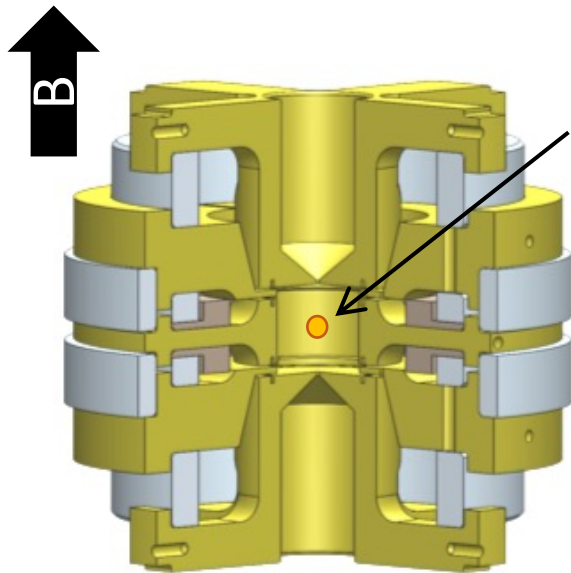
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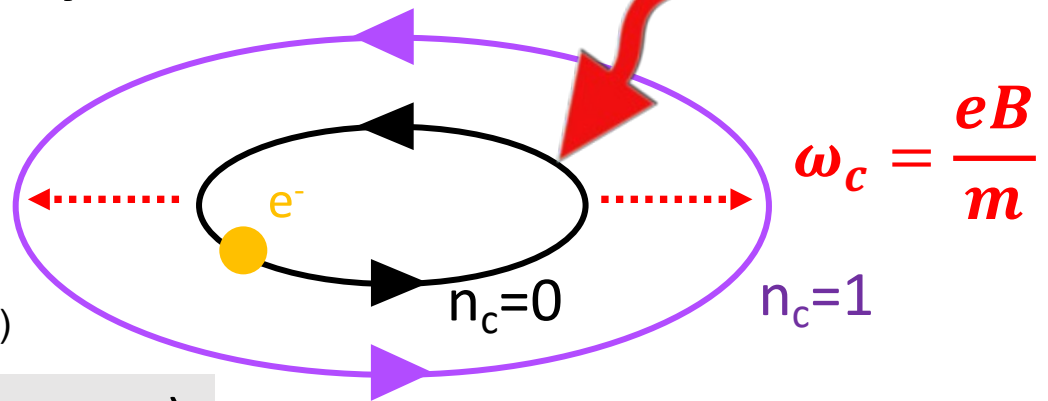


Trapped-Electron Milli-eV Detector



electron(s)
left at $n_c=0$

cyclotron motion

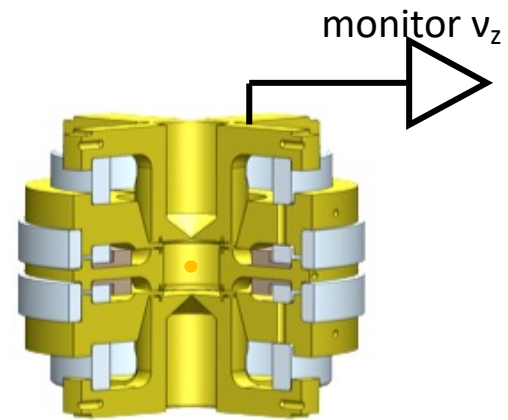


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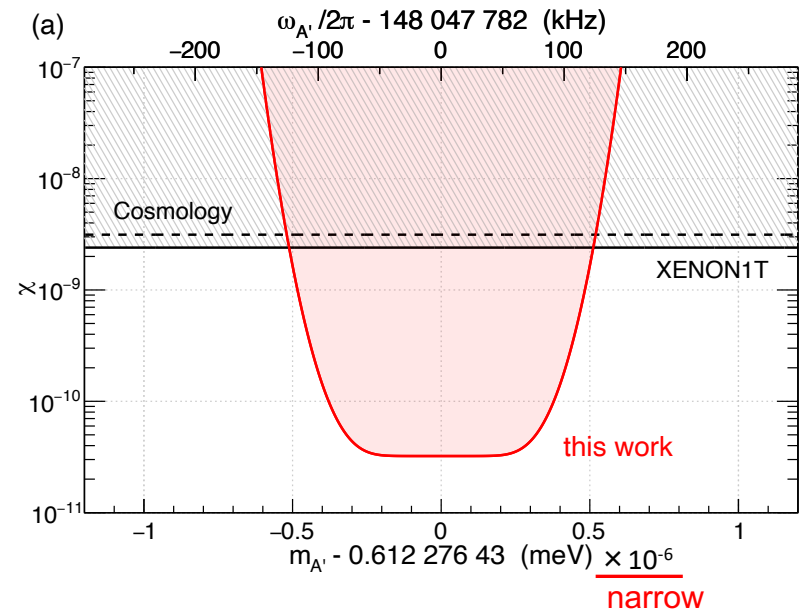
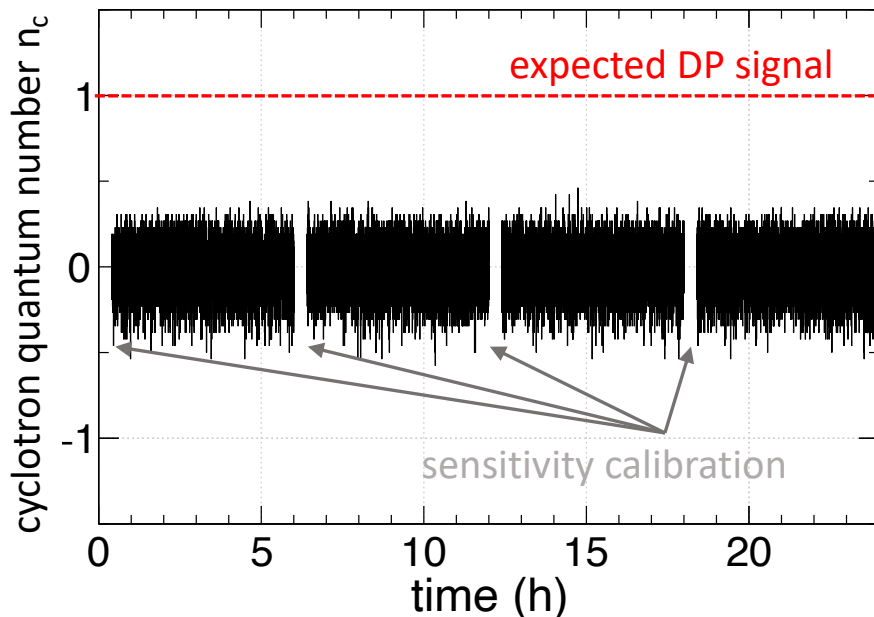
- challenging meV range (mm-wave)
- background free
- tunable 0.1-1 meV
- compatible with B field

meV B-compatible
BG-free photon counter

Demonstration Search

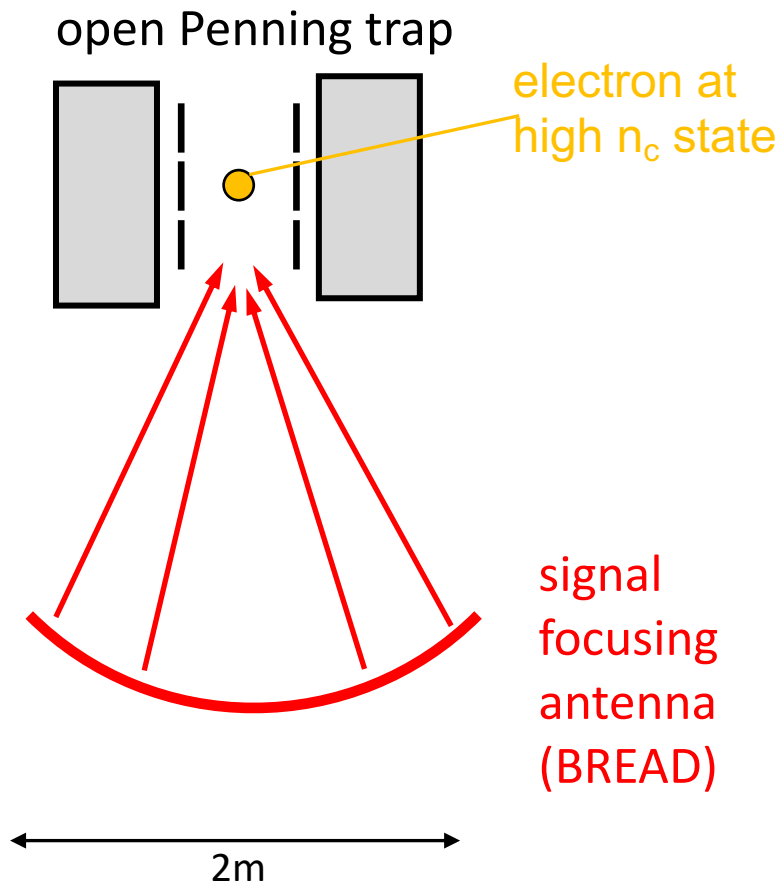


just leave at $n_c=0$ and monitor n_c



narrow because we used the g-factor setup
what if we construct a dedicated system?

Ideas

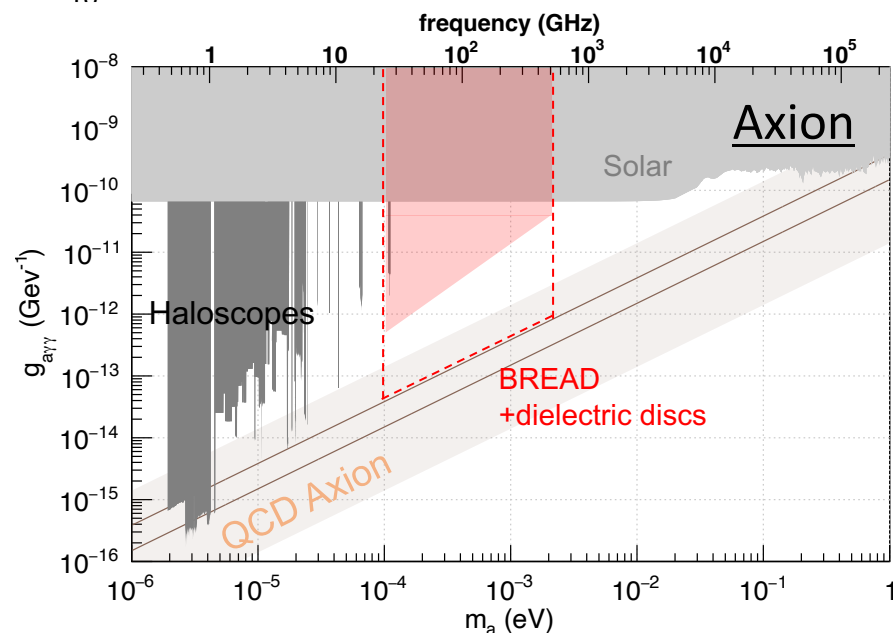
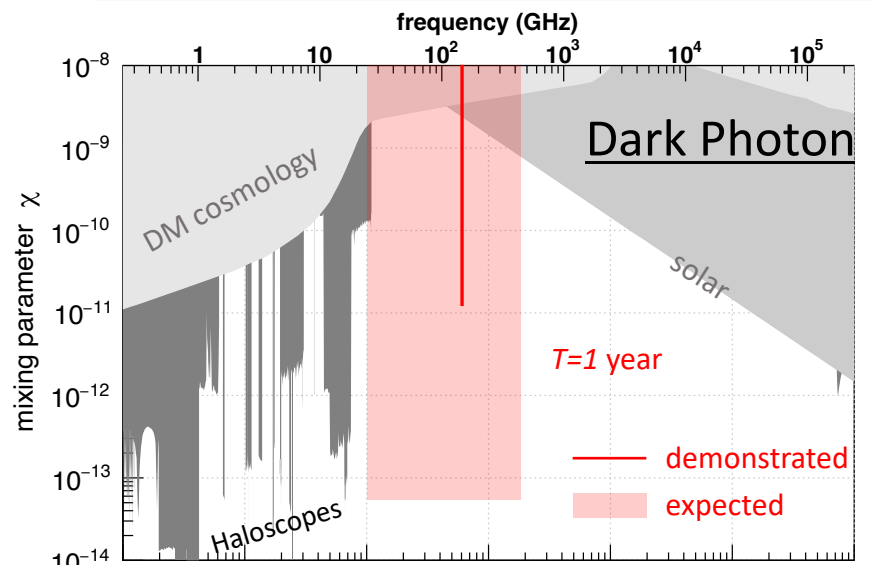


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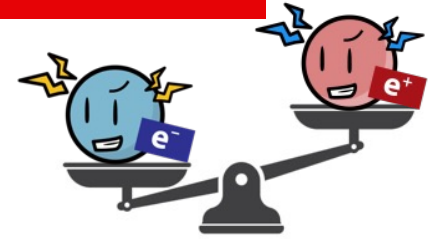
$$\text{sensitivity} \propto A \times n_c$$

conversion
surface area

electron's cyclotron
quantum number

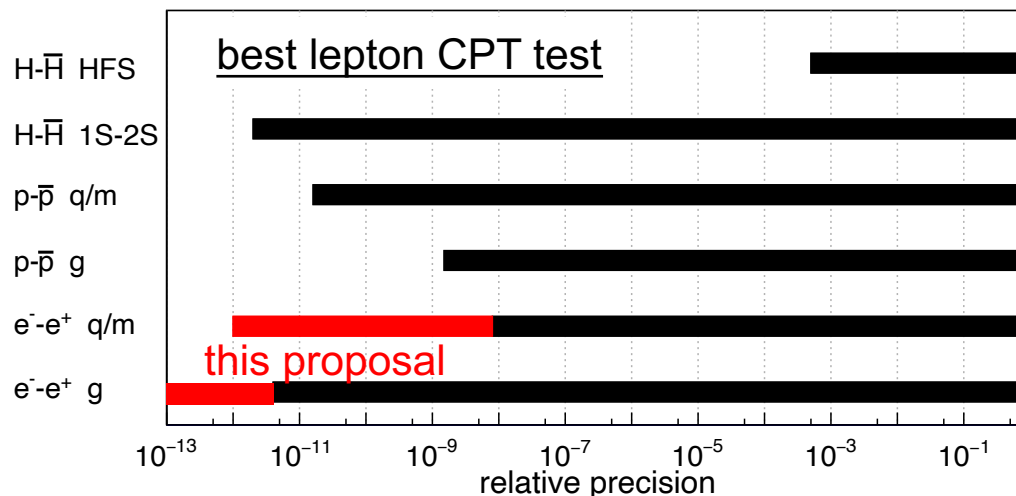


Positron's Measurement



Collab. with Stefan Ulmer
(HHU/CERN/RIKEN)

- e^+ g-factor measurement
 - **x100 better than 1987's measurement**
 - most precise lepton CPT test
- m_{e^+}/m_{e^-} at 10^{-11} precision, **x10,000 better than 1981's measurement**
 - co-trapping proton and positron
 - **anti-gravity test at $\delta(\bar{g}/g) \sim 0.03$ level**

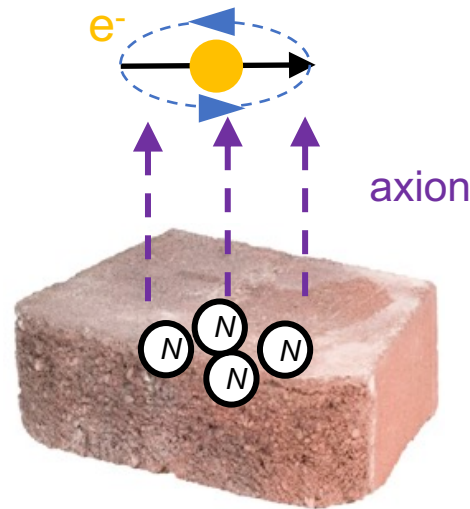


Earth-Sourced Axion-Nucleon-Electron Coupling

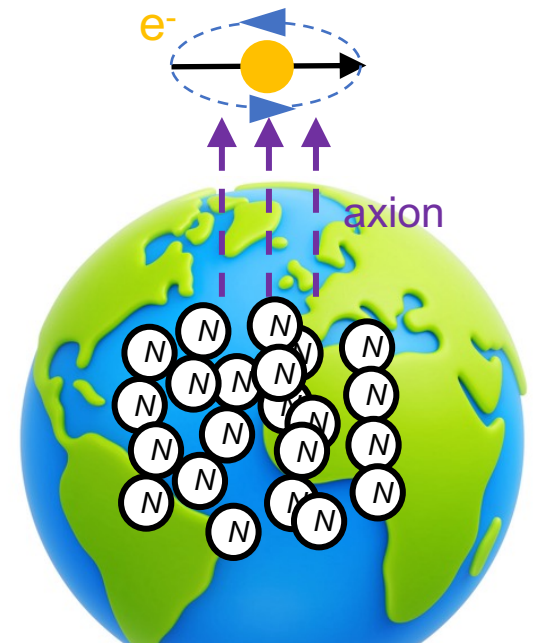
$$\mathcal{L} \supset g_s \phi \bar{N} N + c_\psi \frac{\partial_\mu \phi}{f_\phi} \bar{\psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \psi,$$

axion (pointing to ϕ)
 nucleon (pointing to $\bar{N} N$)
 fermion (pointing to ψ)

causes spin rotation
near heavy block



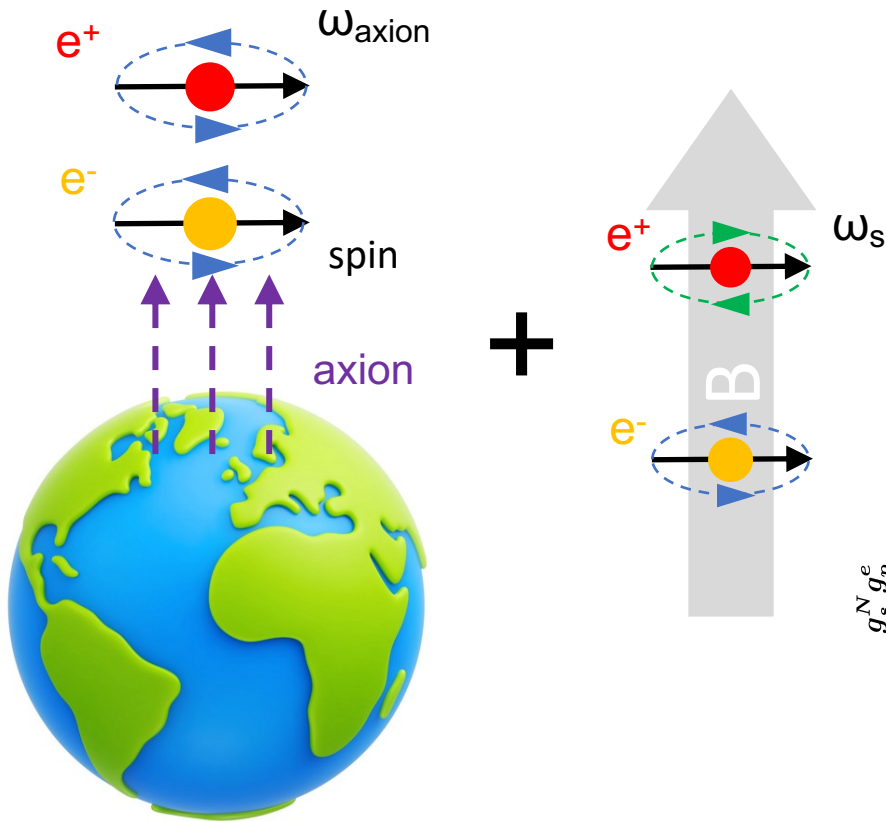
earth-source



how to separate from static B?

Penning Trap

Particle anti-particle Switch

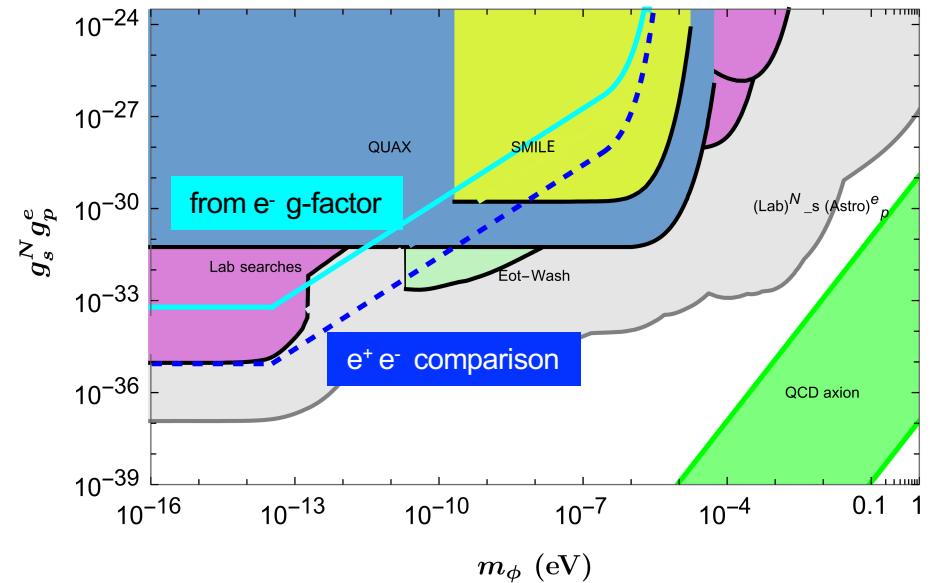


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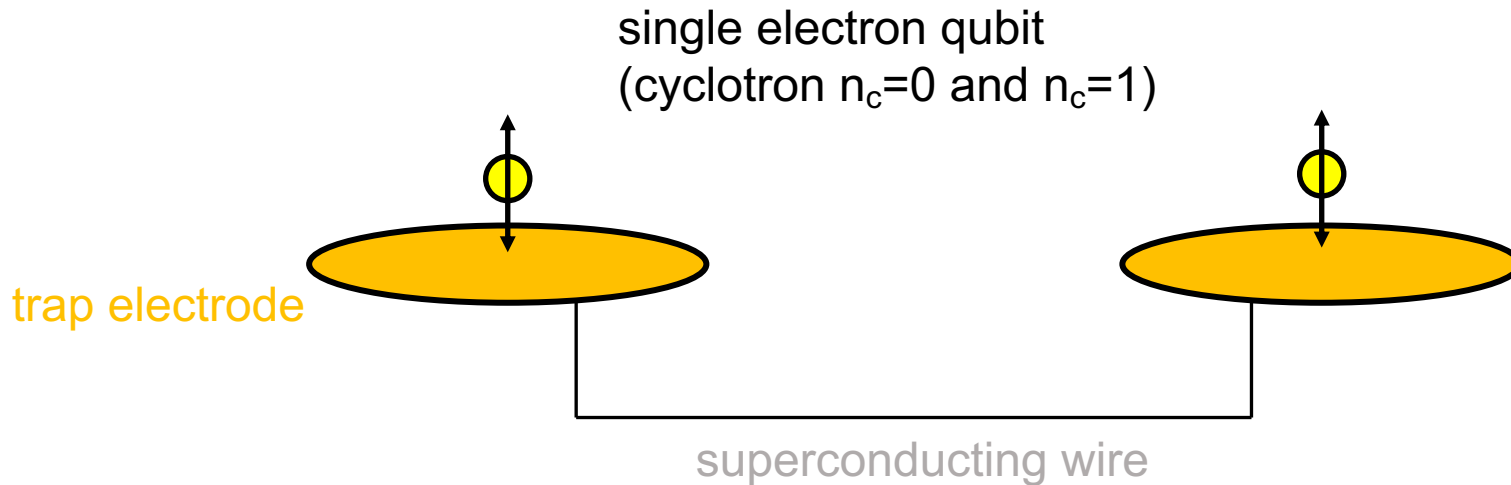
$$\omega_{\text{tot}}(e^+) = \omega_s - \omega_{\text{axion}}$$

$$\omega_{\text{tot}}(e^-) = \omega_s + \omega_{\text{axion}}$$

e⁺ e⁻ switch
isolates axion effect from *B*-field

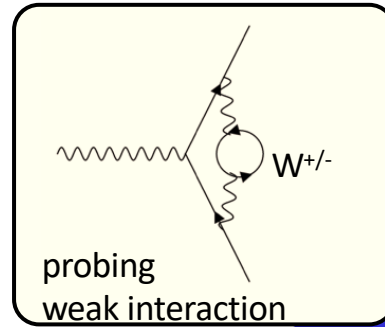


Electron Quantum Computing



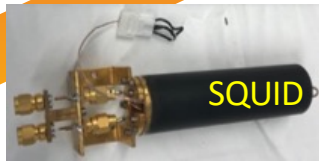
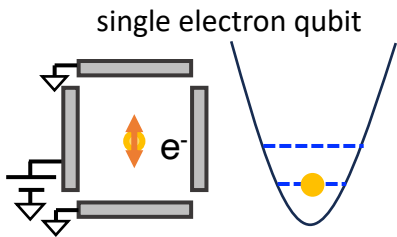
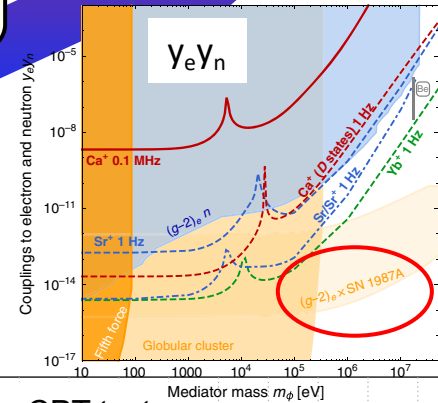
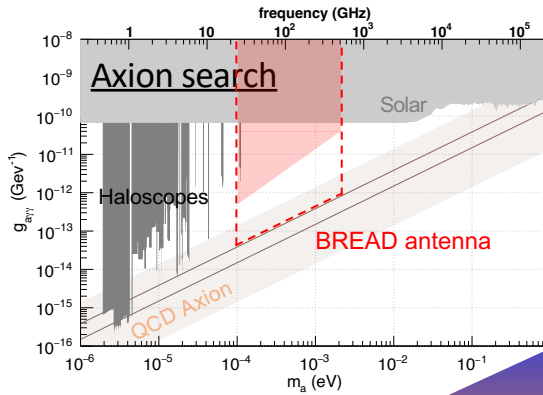
- ~100,000 lighter than atoms $\rightarrow 10^3$ faster qubit operation
- free space qubit \rightarrow long coherence time expected ($>ms$)
- scalable with surface Penning trap

Expected Results

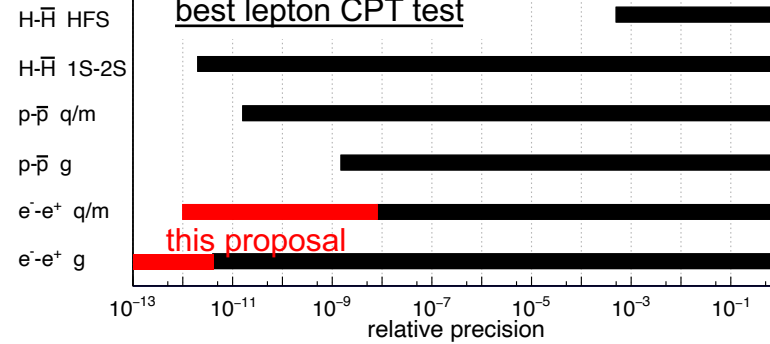
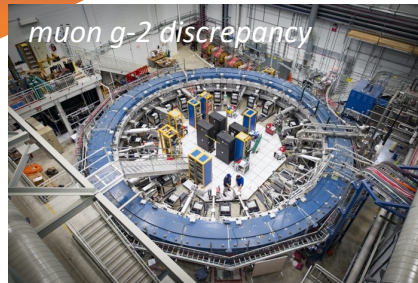


$$\delta g \sim 3 \times 10^{-14}$$

5 years



special relativity QND
 $E = mc^2$



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