



Seminar RESANET
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Search for New Physics beyond the Standard Model with precision measurements in nuclear β decays

- General context and motivations
- LPCTrap setup and ${}^6\text{He}^{1+}$ experiment
- Perspectives
 - S & T exotic currents: WISArD & b-STILED projects
 - V_{ud} : measurements in mirror decays
 - CP violation: the MORA project
- Summary

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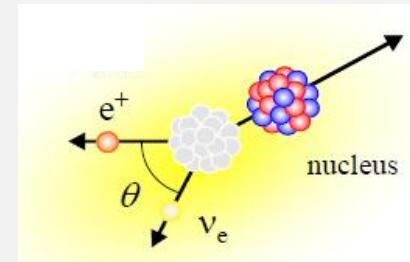
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Nuclear β decay: a laboratory to test the Standard Model

Nuclear β decay = semi-leptonic process governed by weak interaction (WI)

⇒ possible tool to study WI



How ? Precision measurements of

- Correlations between particles momenta or momenta and spins
- "ft" values

in
pure decays
(F or GT)
& mirrors
(F + GT)

Why ?

SM structure & conditions	Possible tests
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• V-A theory (W^\pm, Z_0 = mediating particles) ⇒ $C_{\text{Scalar}} = C_{\text{Tensor}} = C_{\text{Pseudoscalar}} = 0$• Maximal Parity Violation (MPV): $C_i = C'_i$• Time Reversal Invariance (TRI): C_i real• Conserved Vector Current (CVC)• 3 fundamental particle families	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exotic "currents" beyond V-A ⇒ new mediating particles (leptoquarks...)• Violation of fundamental symmetries: right currents, CP violation,...• CVC hypothesis, unitarity of CKM matrix (precise determination of V_{ud})

Nuclear β decay: a laboratory to test the Standard Model

Sensitive tool to test the electroweak Standard Model,
complementary to high energies measurements

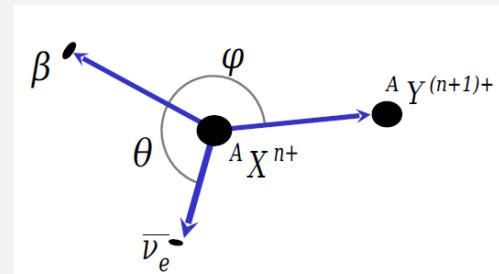


Hergé, "Tintin au Tibet", Ed. Casterman



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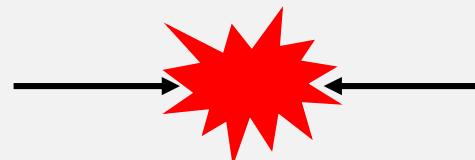
low
energy
($q \ll M$)



EFT
makes
the link!

Meet the beast

high
energy
($E \sim M$)

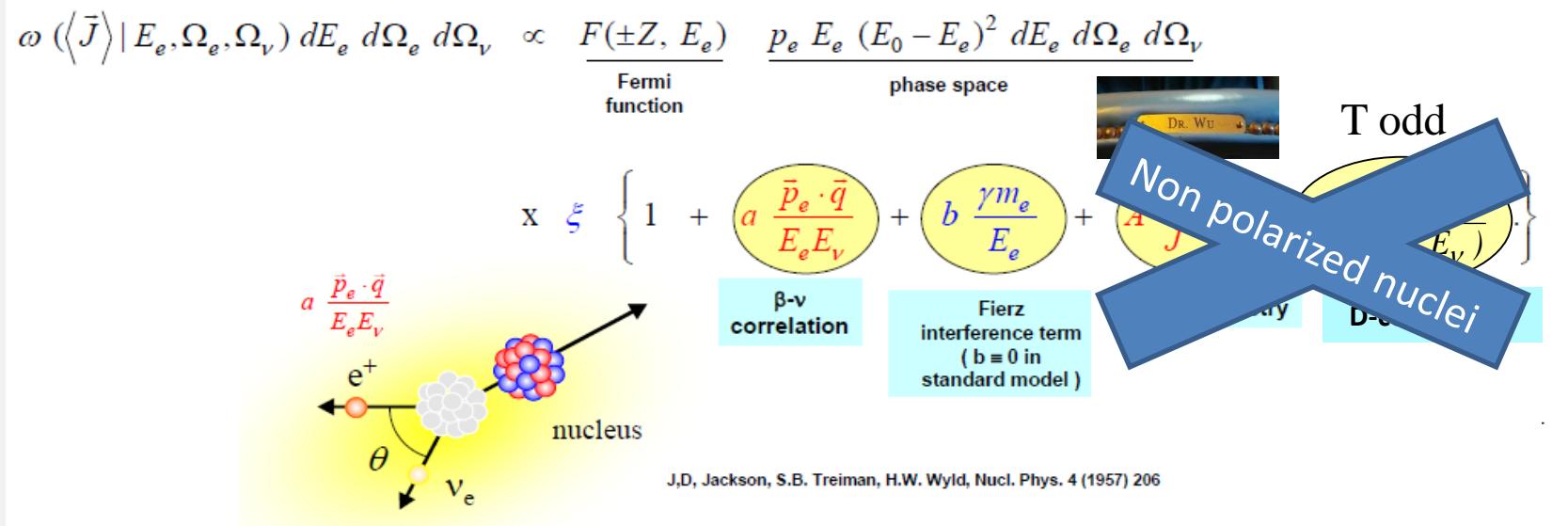


González-Alonso et al PPNP104 (2019)

& Experiments to be performed clearly targeted
@ LE in nuclear beta decays

Exotic currents beyond V-A theory

- Correlations between particles momenta



a & b depend on possible coupling constants: C_i & C'_i with $i=V, A, S$ & T

Pure F

$$a_F \equiv 1 - \frac{|C_S|^2 + |C'_S|^2}{|C_V|^2} (= 1 \text{ in SM})$$

$$b_F \equiv \pm \gamma \left(\frac{C_S + C'_S}{C_V} \right) (= 0 \text{ in SM})$$

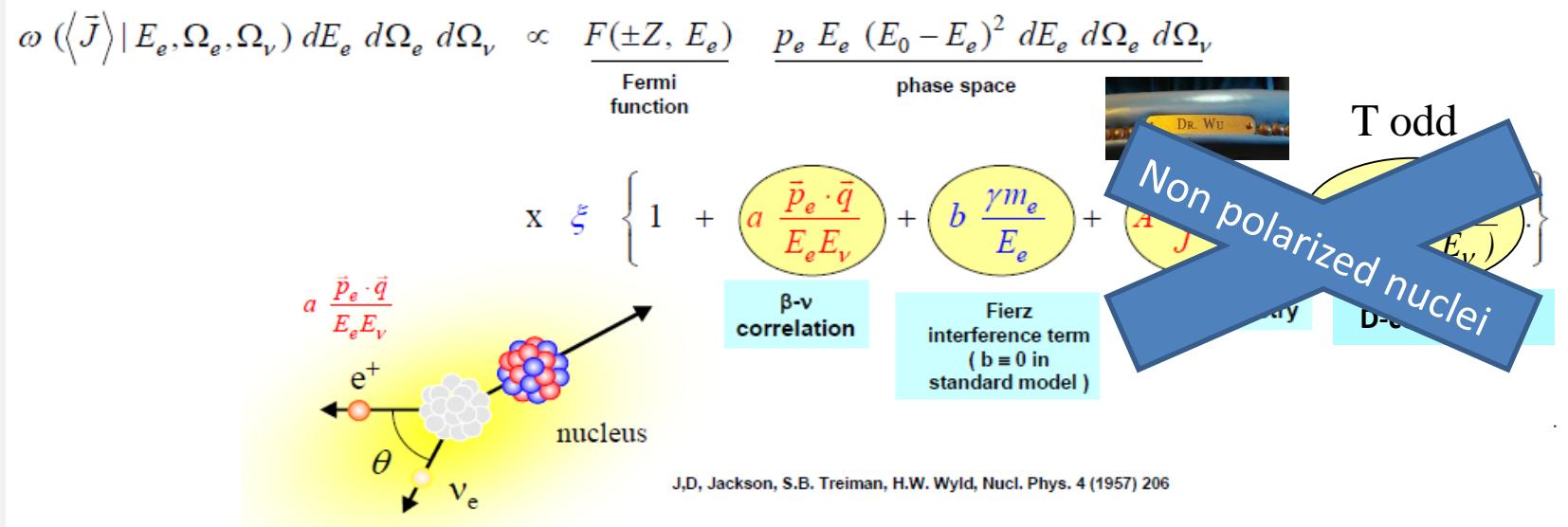
Pure GT

$$a_{GT} \equiv -\frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{|C_T|^2 + |C'_T|^2}{|C_A|^2} \right) (= -1/3 \text{ in SM})$$

$$b_{GT} \equiv \pm \gamma \left(\frac{C_T + C'_T}{C_A} \right) (= 0 \text{ in SM})$$

Exotic currents beyond V-A theory

- Correlations between particles momenta



- measurement of coefficient a : → sensitivity to recoil energy

⚠ b is present and experiments give access to: $\hat{a} = a + \alpha b$

where α depends on experiment *González-Alonso & Naviliat-Cuncic PRC94 (2016)*

- measurement of coefficient b : → beta energy spectrum shape

or *ft_value*: $f \sim \int W(p_e)(1 + b \frac{m_e c^2}{E_e}) dp_e$

Correlations measurements: which precision is relevant?

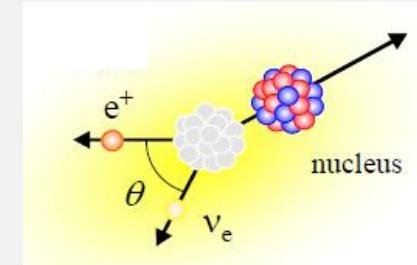
Between particles momenta

$$a \frac{\vec{p}_e \cdot \vec{p}_\nu}{E_e E_\nu}$$

P, T conserving

Vector	Parity	Time
$\begin{matrix} p \\ J \end{matrix}$	$\begin{matrix} -p \\ J \end{matrix}$	$\begin{matrix} -p \\ -J \end{matrix}$

F	GT	Mirror
$-1 < a \leq 1$ Exotic Scalar currents	$-1/3 \leq a < 1/3$ Exotic Tensor currents	$a (\rho)$ where $\rho = GT/F$



Test of V - A theory

< 0.1% to stay competitive
with HE physics

González-Alonso et al PPNP104 (2019)

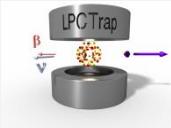
*in V - A frame
determination of ρ*

~ 0.5 % is sufficient

*High precision
experiments !*

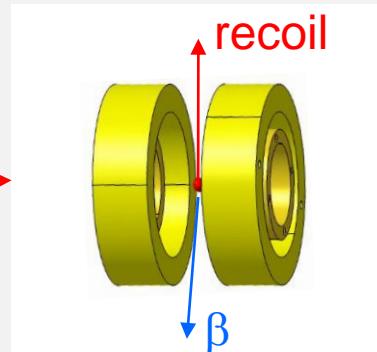
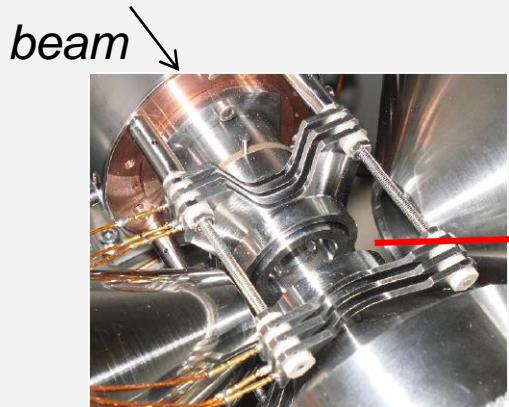
Needs:

- Sources **as clean as possible** in vacuum
(very low energy recoil ions)
 - High stats: → **Intense radioactive beams**
→ **high solid angle**
→ **Fast DAQ**
 - Deep knowledge of experimental setup
(systematic effects)
- • Traps
 - • New generation of facilities
(example: GANIL/SPIRAL)
 - • Setup arrangement
 - • New generation DAQ system
 - • Realistic simulations



The LPCTrap setup

- Decay source confined in a transparent Paul trap

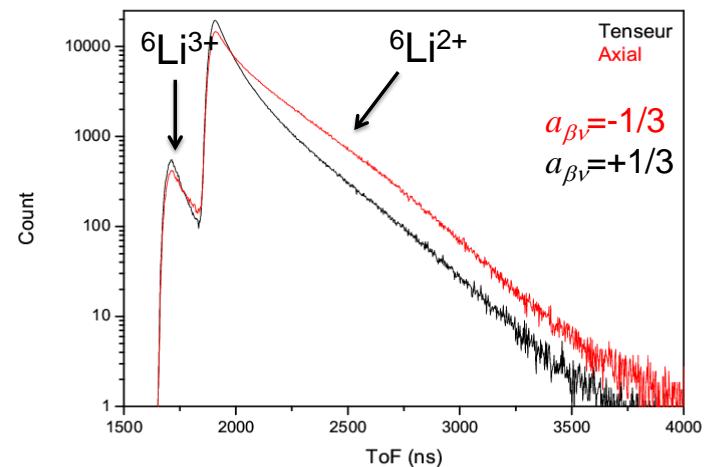


- β - recoil ion detection in coincidence
- a deduced from recoil time-of-flight distribution

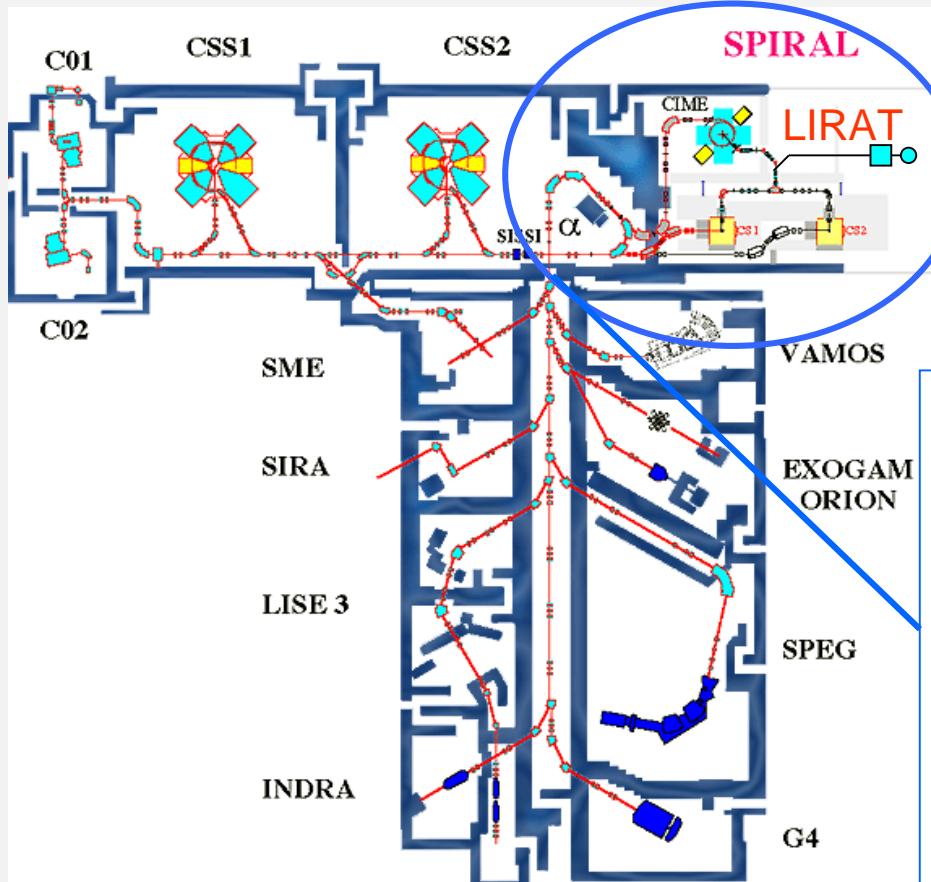
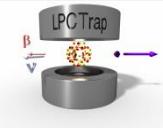
- ${}^6\text{He}$: Good candidate

- Pure GT transition: T vs A
- 100% G.S. to G.S.
- Reasonable $T_{1/2} = 806.7 \text{ ms}$
- High $Q_\beta = 3.51 \text{ MeV}$, $T_{\max} = 1.4 \text{ keV}$
- High production rate: $2 \cdot 10^8 \text{ ions/s}$

Simulation for ${}^6\text{He}^+$ decay

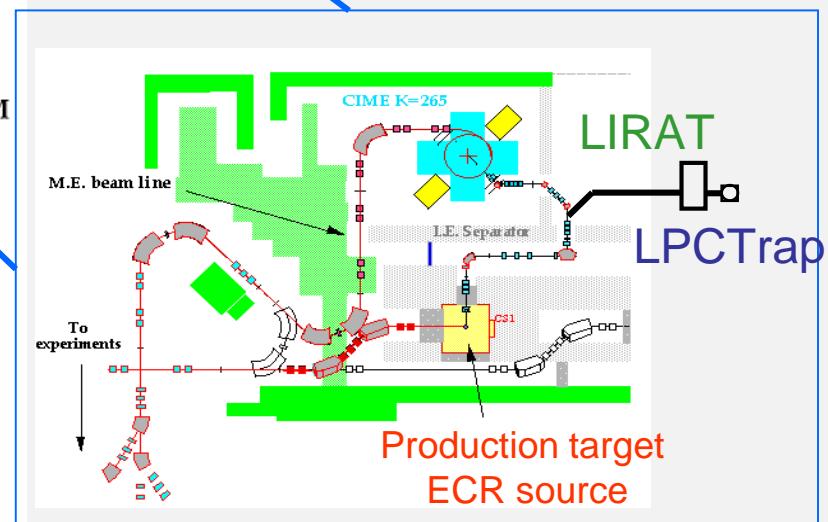


LPCTrap @ GANIL



Beams characteristics:

- 10-30 keV, 80π mm mrad
- rate: 10^7 - 10^8 ions/s

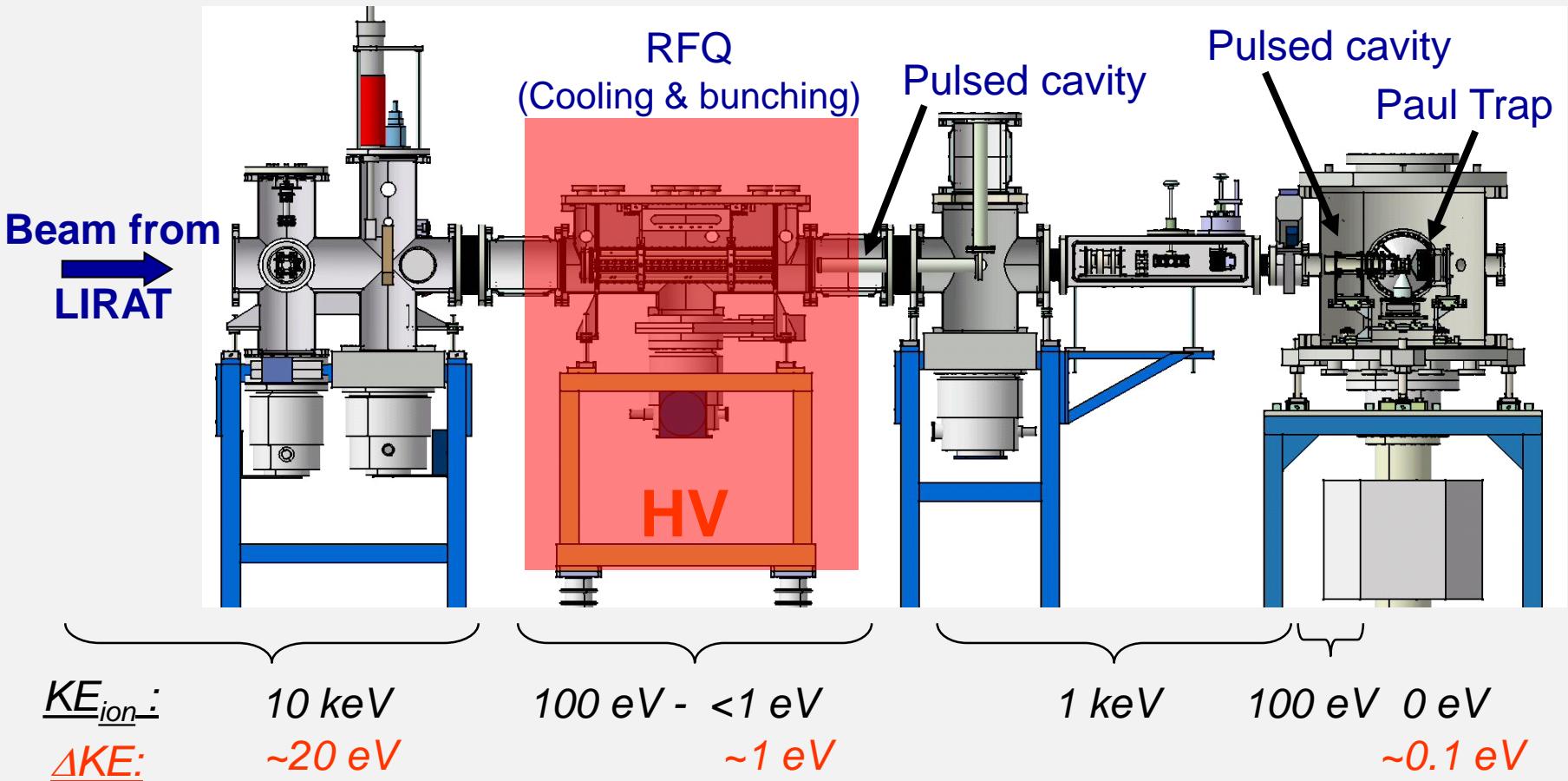
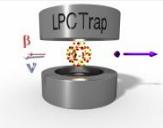


SPIRAL beam:
10-30 keV
 $\Delta E \sim 20\text{eV}$



Paul trap:
Effective potential:
2-3 V

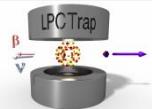
LPCTrap @ LIRAT



$\sim 1.5 \cdot 10^8 \text{ } {}^6\text{He}^+/\text{s}$

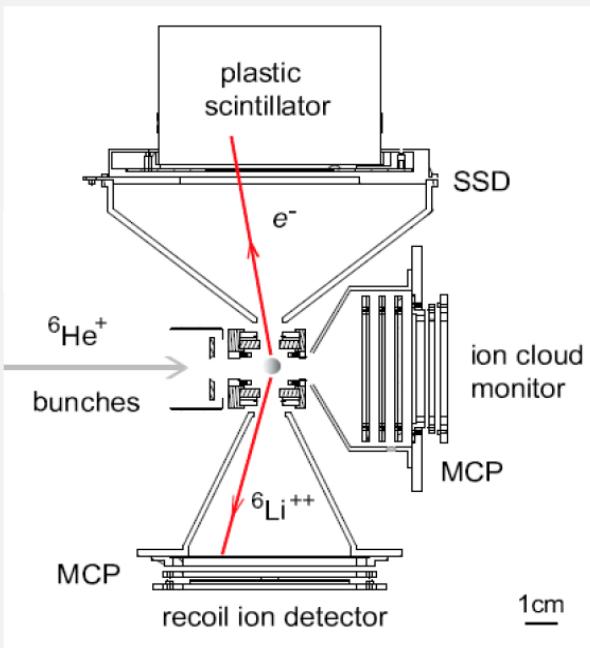
- Buffer-gas: H₂ (He for heavier nuclei)
- Accumulation: 200ms (cycle: 160 + 40)

$\sim 4 \cdot 10^4 \text{ } {}^6\text{He}^+ /\text{cycle}$
Total efficiency: $\sim 10^{-3}$



LPCTrap: The detection setup

- < 2010

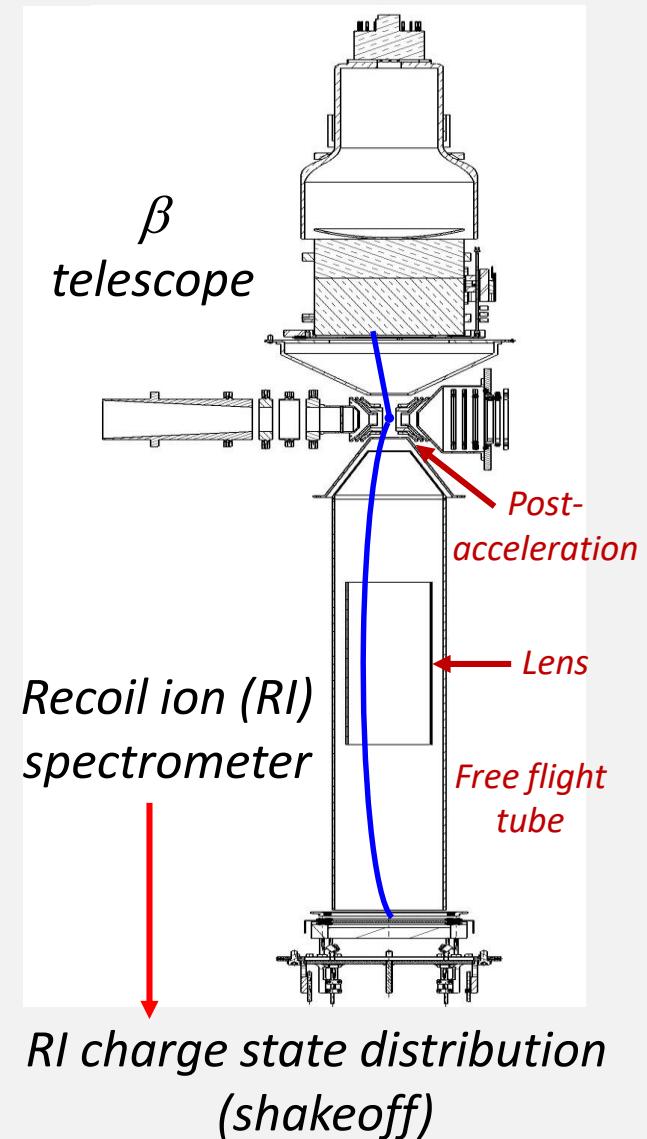


Trigger: β scintillator

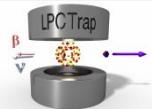
Parameters:

- β energy
 - β position
 - recoil ion ToF
 - recoil ion position
- + timestamp in cycle
& trap RF phase

- ≥ 2010

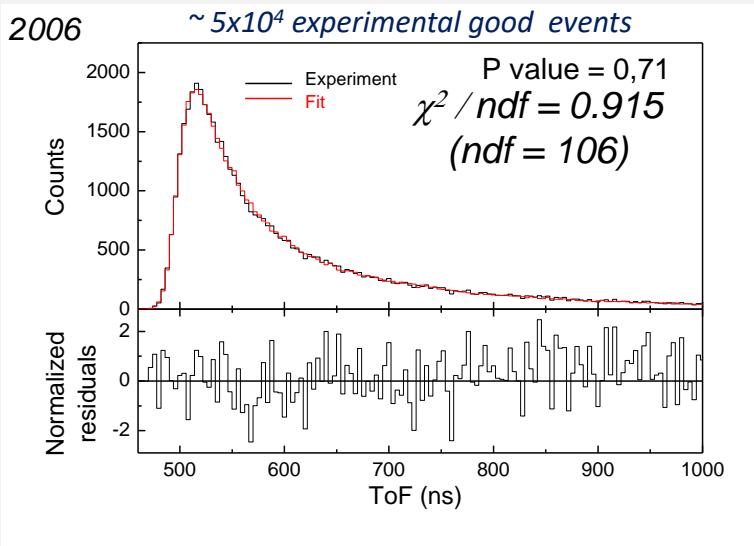


- Time of flight of RI
- BG suppression
- Control of systematic effects
- Control of results consistency



First experiment with LPCTrap: the ${}^6\text{He}^{1+}$ case

- Pure Gamow-Teller decay → Exotic Tensor currents ($a_{\beta\nu} \neq -1/3$)?



$$a_{\beta\nu} = -0.3335 (73) \text{ stat (75) syst}$$

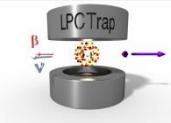
Fléchard et al., J.Phys.G 38 (2011)

- Best precision on a_{GT} using coincidence technique ($\Delta a/a = 3\%$)
- Good control of experimental & simulation parameters

Systematic error budget

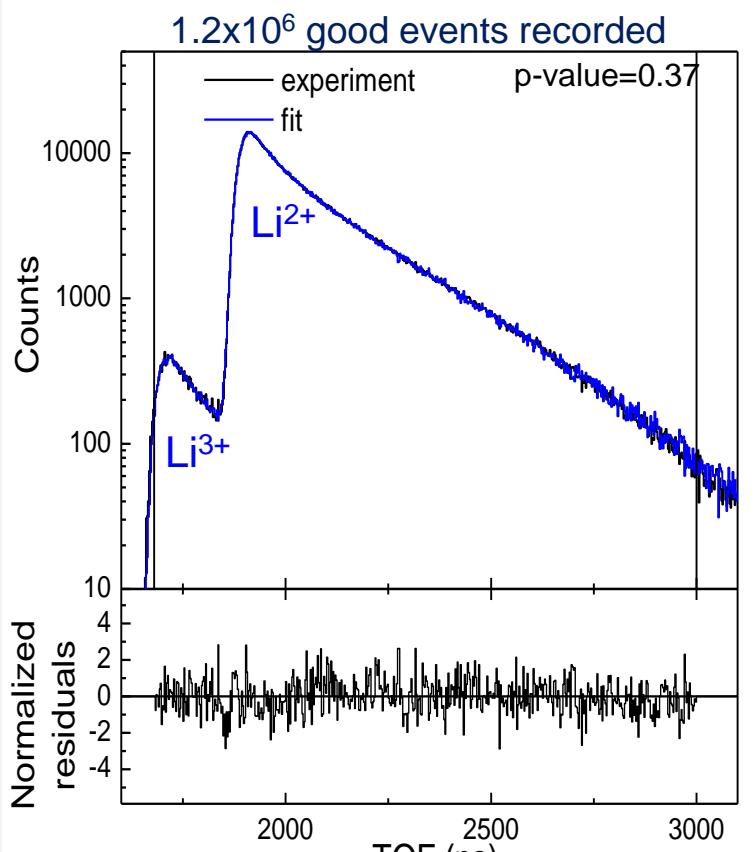
Source	Uncertainty	$\Delta a_{\beta\nu} (\times 10^{-3})$	Method
Cloud temperature	6.5%	6.8	off-line measurement
θ_x _{MCPPSD}	0.003 rad	0.1	present data
θ_y _{MCPPSD}	0.003 rad	0.1	present data
MCPPSD offset (x,y)	0.145 mm	0.3	present data
MCPPSD calibration	0.5 %	1.3	present data
d _{DSSSD}	0.2 mm	0.3	present data
E _{scint}		0.8	present data
E _{si}	10%	0.8	GEANT4
Background		0.9	present data
β Scattering	10%	1.9	GEANT4
Shake off	0 - 0.05	0.6	theoretical calculation
V _{RF}	2.5%	1.7	off-line measurement
total		7.5	

Systematic error dominated by the cloud size



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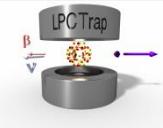
- Analysis performed to extract P_shakeoff (complete simulation @ low statistics: $\sim 4 \times 10^5$)

$P_{\text{shake-off}} = 0.02339(35)_{\text{stat}}(07)_{\text{syst}}$

 - High precision: $\Delta P_{\text{shake-off}} = 3.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$
 - Excellent agreement: Theoretical value 0.02322
Couratin et al., PRL108 (2012)
 - About a_{GT} :
 - $(\Delta a_{GT} / a_{GT})_{\text{stat}} \sim 0.45 \%$
 - Difficulties to properly reproduce different experimental distributions → bad Chisquare!
- Improvement of ion cloud modelling including gas cooling & space charge effects (GPU's, CUDA)
→ **CLOUDA** (home-made code)

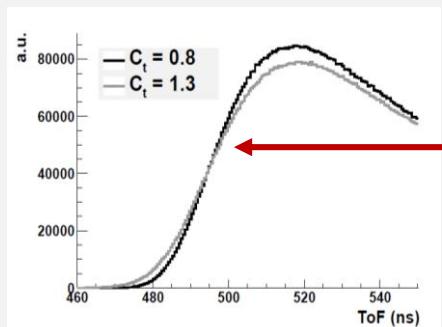
Fabian et al., Hyp. Inter. 235 (2015)

LPCTrap, ${}^6\text{He}^{1+}$: results & status

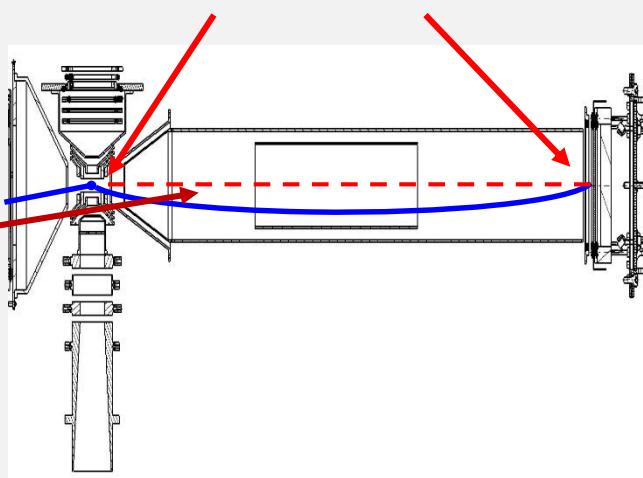


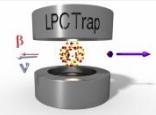
- Realistic cloud @ fixed T°
 - decay (fixed a)
 - β tracked in **GEANT4**
 - recoil ion (2^+ or 3^+) followed by **SIMION** in realistic fields (trap & spectro)
- In practice, experimental data are fitted with several simulations:
 - with different cloud T° (range including the "real" T°)
 - with different values of a (range including the final a)
 - with different ion charge states, 2^+ or 3^+

→ Free parameters: T , a , SO probability and d (source-RI detector)



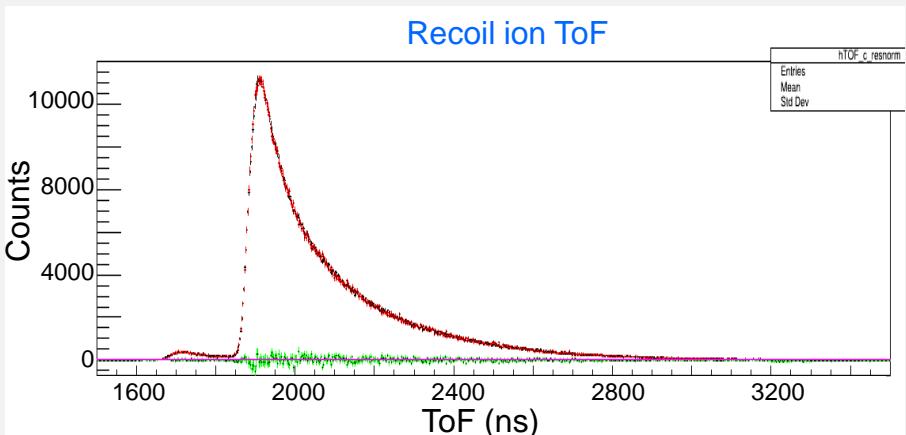
*this shape also depends
on this distance*





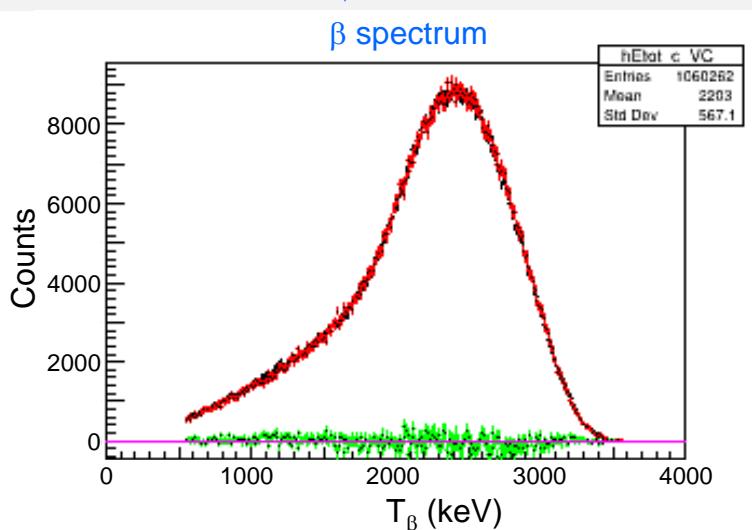
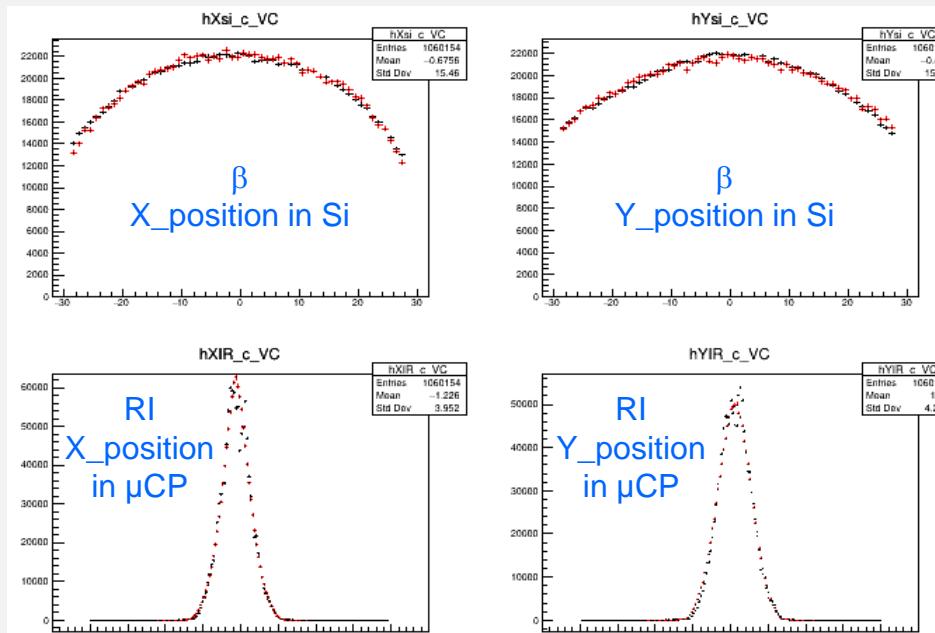
LPCTrap, ${}^6\text{He}^{1+}$: results & status

- Promising results!



- Preliminary value: $a = -0.3364 \quad \chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} = 1.004$
(low statistics in simulations so far)
- Statistics $\rightarrow \sigma_{\text{stat}} \sim 0.0015$
- 1st study of syste. (T, BS, Calib) $\rightarrow \sigma_{\text{syst}} \sim 0.004$
expected $\sigma_a/a < 1.5 \%$

Recoil ToF is fitted and consistency is checked with other spectra



Exotic couplings: Overview of " a " measurements

adapted from González-Alonso et al PPNP104 (2019)

Table 6

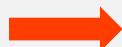
Data from measurements in nuclear decays used in the fits. The columns list the parent nucleus in the transition, the type, the measured parameter, the experimental value with its 1σ uncertainty, the relative error, the value of $\langle m_e/E_e \rangle$

Parent	J_i	J_f	Type	Parameter	Value	Rel. error	Year / Setup
^6He	0	1	GT/ β^-	a	-0.3308(30) ^a	0.91%	1963
^{32}Ar	0	0	F/ β^+	\tilde{a}	0.9989(65)	0.65%	1999
^{38m}K	0	0	F/ β^+	\tilde{a}	0.9981(48)	0.48%	2004
^8Li	2	2	predom. GT/ $\beta\alpha$	a	-0.3342(39)	1.17%	2015
^6He	0	1	GT/ β^- - recoil	\hat{a}	Analysis under way	~ 2%	MOT (Seattle)
^6He	0	1	GT/ β^- - recoil	\hat{a}	Analysis under way	~ 1.5%	Paul (Caen)

- ^6He is the best GT candidate *González-Alonso & Naviliat-Cuncic PRC94 (2016)*
- Almost nothing new since 1963
- LPCTrap experiment still probably the present most sensitive!
→ relative error and/or sensitivity to "b"

$$\hat{a} = a + \alpha b$$

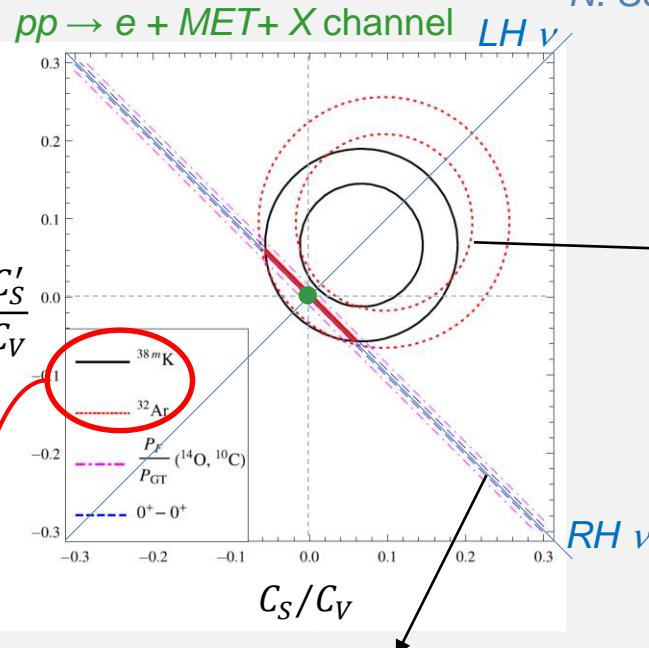
where α seems higher for the back-to-back configuration of LPCTrap...



Motivating to finish the analysis ... but is it still relevant?

Exotic currents beyond V-A theory: status

SCALAR



a @ ~ 0.5%

$$Ft \propto (1 + \langle m/E \rangle b_F)^{-1}$$

Hardy et al PRC79(2015)

B.R. Holstein JPG41(2014)
N. Severijns & B. Blank, JPG44(2017)

$$\tilde{a} \approx a(1 + \kappa b)$$

Circles
because

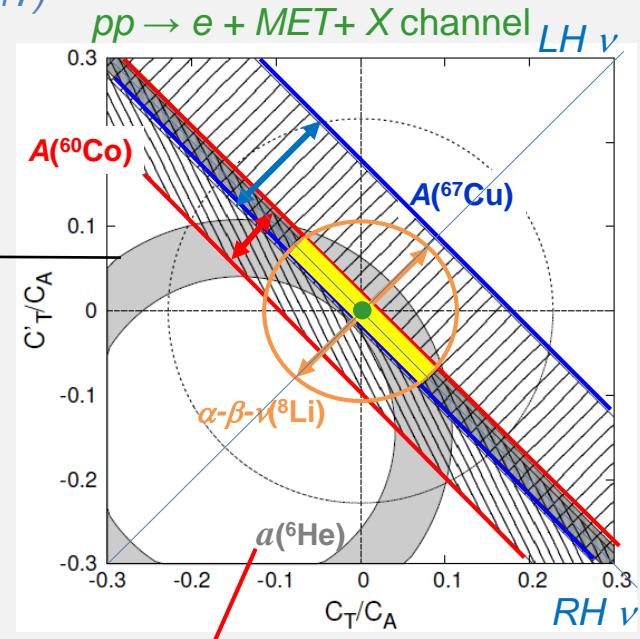
$$a(C_{S,T}^2, C_{V,A}^2)$$

$$b(C_{S,T}, C_{V,A})$$

	LH	RH
$ C_S/C_V <$	0.0038	0.068
$ C_T/C_A <$	0.0064	0.078

González-Alonso et al PPNP104 (2019)

TENSOR



a @ ~ 1%

- Best constraints from "b", but "a" adds limits... ("b" unsensitive to right-handed ν !)

- In green: constraints from LHC (CMS data)

Cirigliano et al PPNP71 (2013)

Thanks to EFT!

González-Alonso et al PPNP104 (2019)



Precision level at 10^{-3} needed to compete with LHC

Exotic currents beyond V-A theory: status

adapted from González-Alonso et al PPNP104 (2019)

Table 3

Selected ongoing and planned experiments discussed in Section 3. See main text for details. The approximate relative precision goals are given together with their reference. If the SM value is zero, the absolute precision goal is then given. When precision goals are given as a percentage, relative uncertainties are meant. The symbol \mathcal{O} refers to the estimated order of magnitude for a precision goal. The precisions given for a are obtained setting the Fierz term b to zero (see Section 4.2 and Ref. [95]).

Coefficient	Precision goal	Experiment (Laboratory)	Comments
β -spectrum	$\mathcal{O}(0.01)$ [256]	Supercond. spectr. (Madison) [256]	Shape factor Eq. (51). Ongoing
β -spectrum	$\mathcal{O}(0.01)$ [253]	Si-det. spectr. (Saclay) [253,254]	Shape factor Eq. (51). Ongoing
b_{GT}	0.001	Calorimetry (NSCL) [115,260]	Analysis ongoing (${}^6\text{He}, {}^{20}\text{F}$)
	$\mathcal{O}(0.001)$ [270]	miniBETA (Krakow–Leuven) [263–265,270]	Being commissioned
	$\mathcal{O}(0.001)$ [276]	UCNA-Nab-Leuven (LANL) [271,272,276]	Analysis ongoing (${}^{45}\text{Ca}$)
a_F	0.1% [306]	TRINAT (TRIUMF) [306,310]	Planned (${}^{38}\text{K}$)
	0.1% [343]	TAMUTRAP (TA&M) [343]	Superallowed βp emitters
	0.1% [79]	WISArD (ISOLDE) [79,177]	In preparation (${}^{32}\text{Ar} \beta p$ decay)
a	not stated	Ne-MOT (SARAF) [311,312]	In preparation (${}^{18}\text{Ne}, {}^{19}\text{Ne}, {}^{23}\text{Ne}$)
a_{GT}	$\mathcal{O}(0.1)\%$ [315]	${}^6\text{He}$ -MOT (Seattle) [313,315]	Ongoing (${}^6\text{He}$)
	not stated	EIBT (Weizmann Inst.) [316–318]	In preparation (${}^6\text{He}$)
+ b_{GT}	0.001	b-STILED (LPCC/GANIL)	In preparation (${}^6\text{He}$)

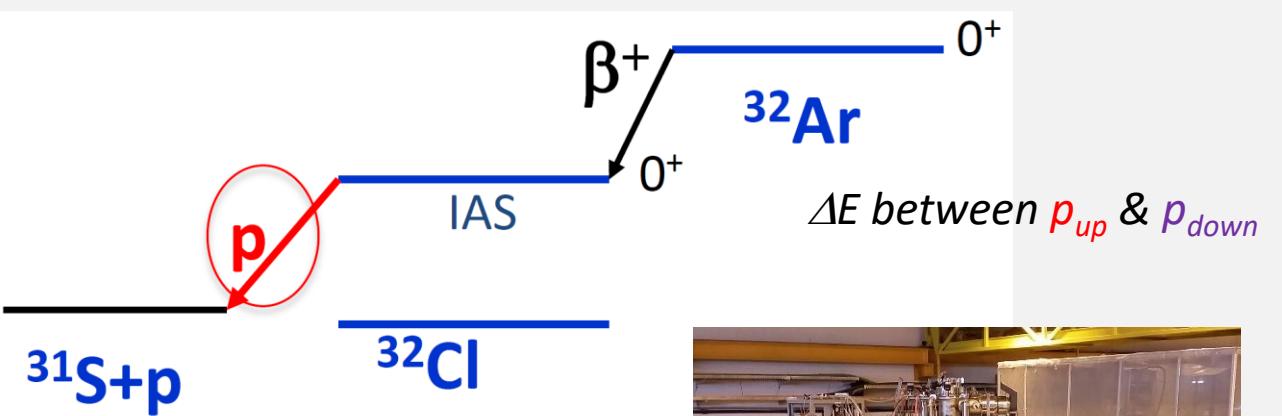
- Many projects with precision targeted @ $\sim 0.1\%$
- LPCC involved in 2 projects → WISArD @ ISOLDE
→ b-STILED @ GANIL

Exotic currents beyond V-A theory: the project WISArD

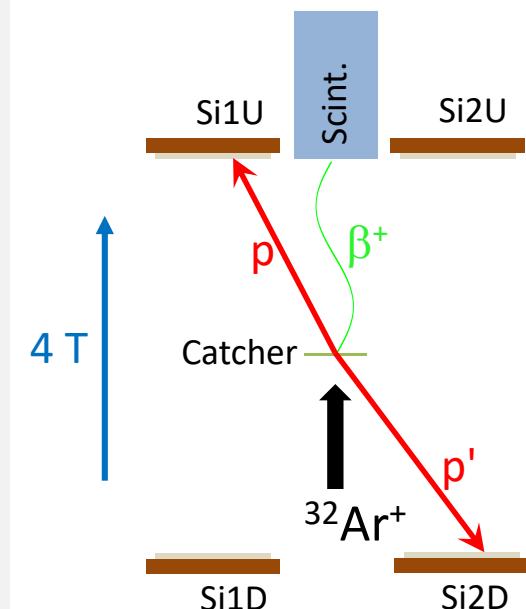
WISArD (Weak Interaction Studies with ^{32}Ar Decay)



- Collaboration CENBG, LPCC, ISOLDE, IKS/Leuven, NPI/Cz Republic, ...
- Funded by the French Research National Agency (ANR, 2018-2022)
- Measurement of a in ^{32}Ar decay through β - delayed p coincidences



WISArD @ ISOLDE



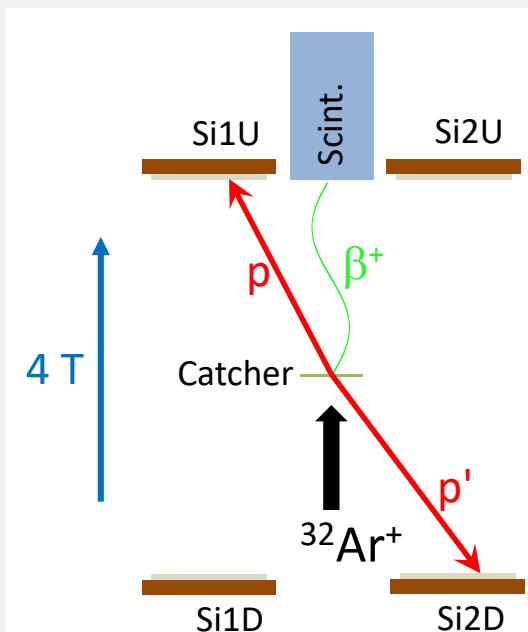
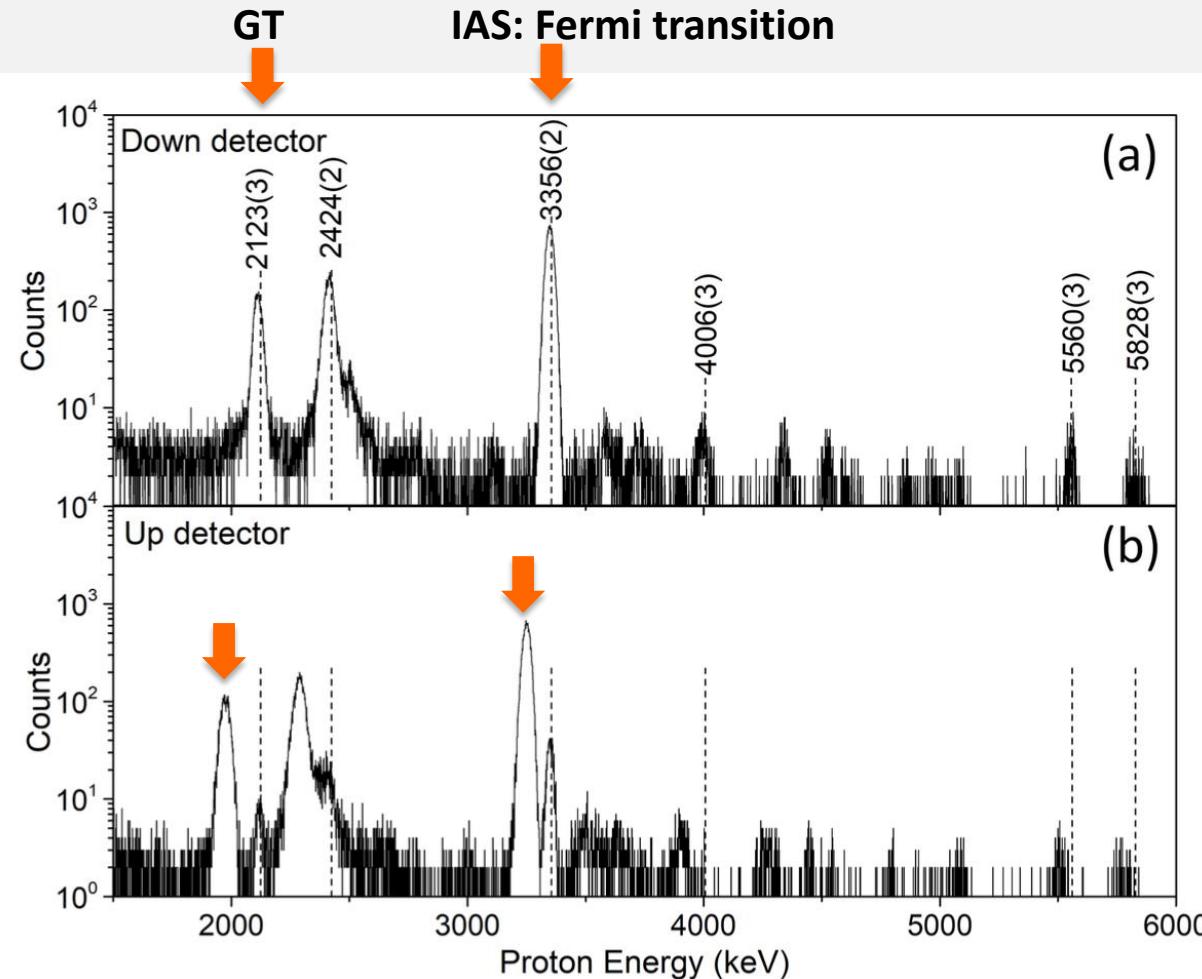
Exotic currents beyond V-A theory: the project WISArD



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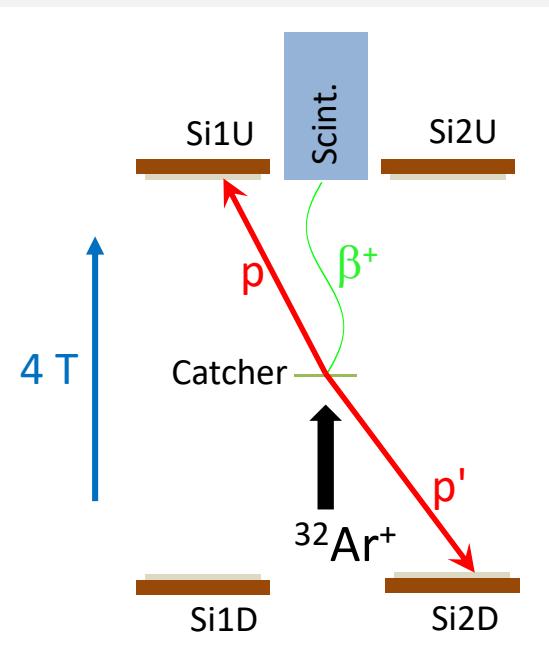


Exotic currents beyond V-A theory: the project WISArD

WISArD (Weak Interaction Studies with ^{32}Ar Decay)



- Measurement of a in ^{32}Ar decay through $\beta-$ delayed p coincidences
- Test experiment in Nov 2018
- Detectors from scratch



Beta Plastic
scintillator + SiPM

Catcher: 6.7 μm
Aluminized Mylar

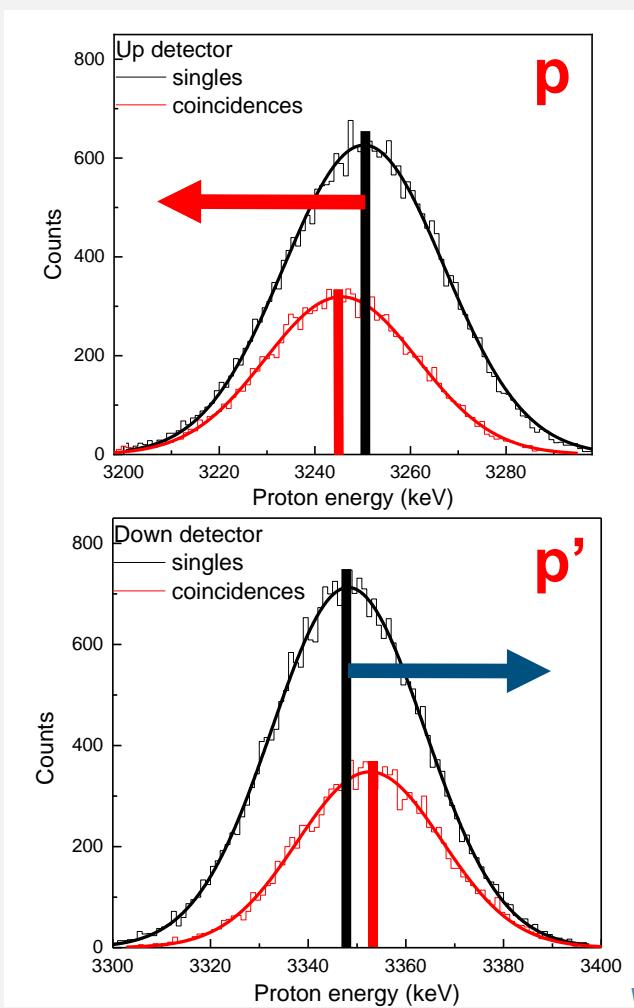
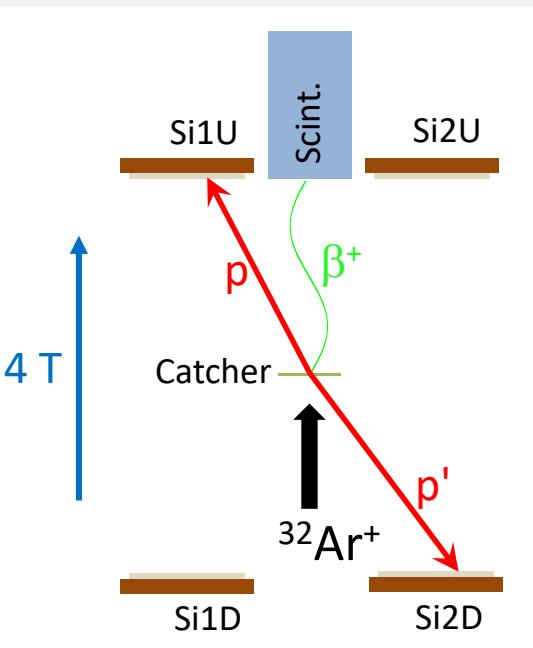
proton Si detectors planes
(FWHM ~ 35 keV @ 3.3 MeV)

Exotic currents beyond V-A theory: the project WISArD



WISArD (Weak Interaction Studies with ^{32}Ar Decay)

- Measurement of a in ^{32}Ar decay through $\beta-$ delayed p coincidences



- Test experiment in Nov 2018
- Detectors from scratch
- Only 35 hours of data taking
- Unexpected results:

$$\tilde{a}_{\beta\nu}^F = 1.007 (32)_{(\text{stat})} (25)_{(\text{syst})}$$

3rd best result in the world!

$$\tilde{a}_{\beta\nu}^{\text{GT}} = -0.222 (86)_{(\text{stat})} (16)_{(\text{syst})}$$

V. Araujo-Escalona et al., PRC 101 (2020)

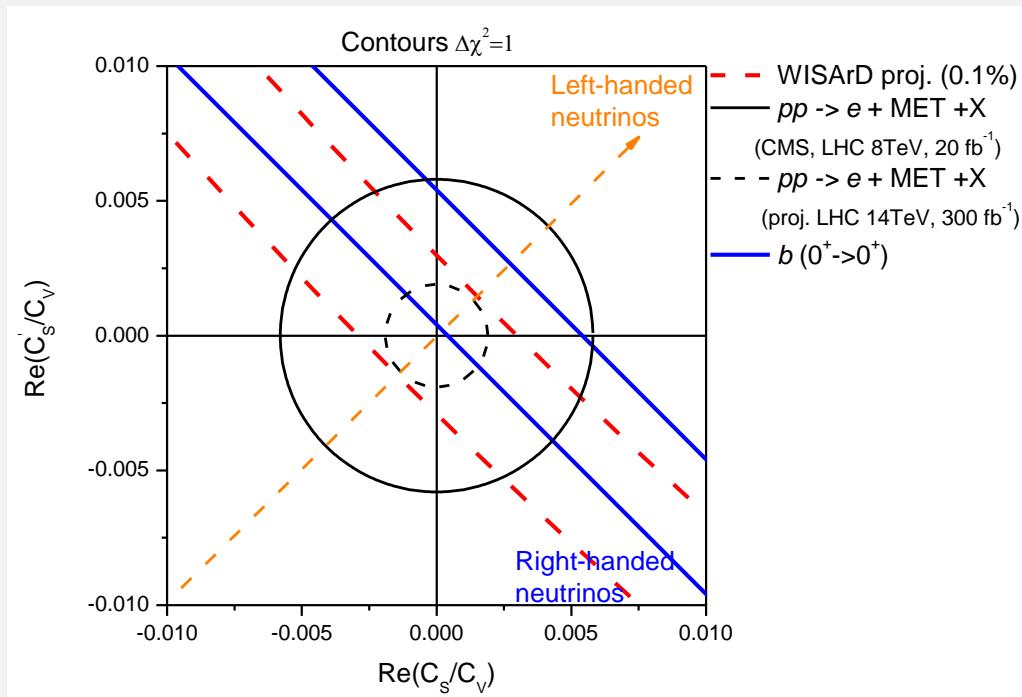
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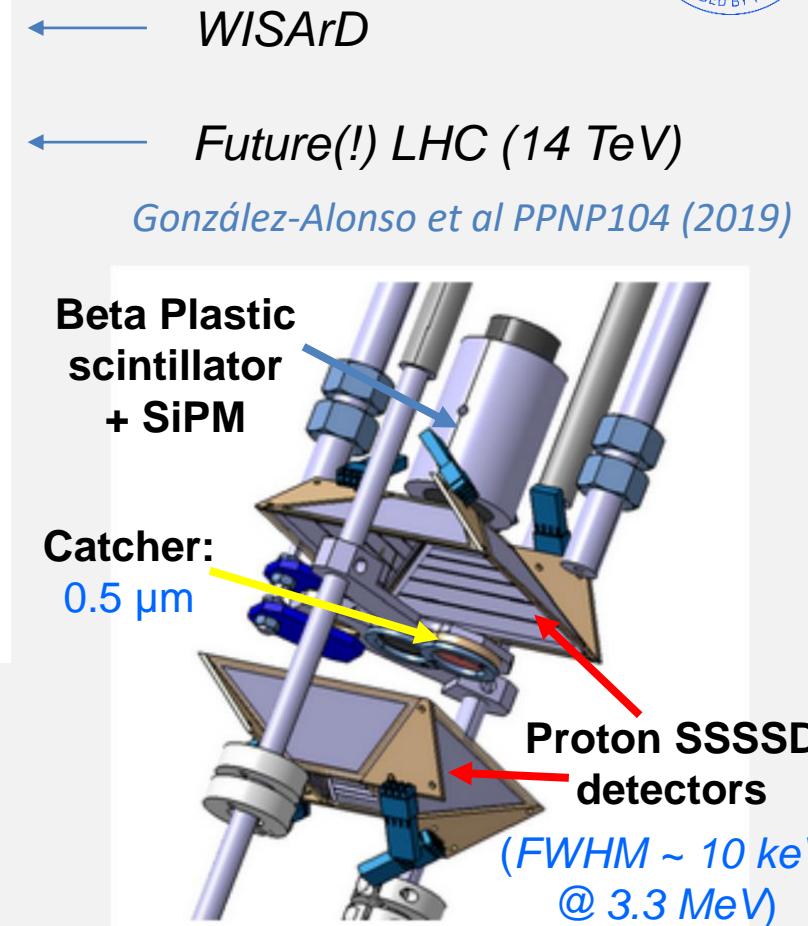


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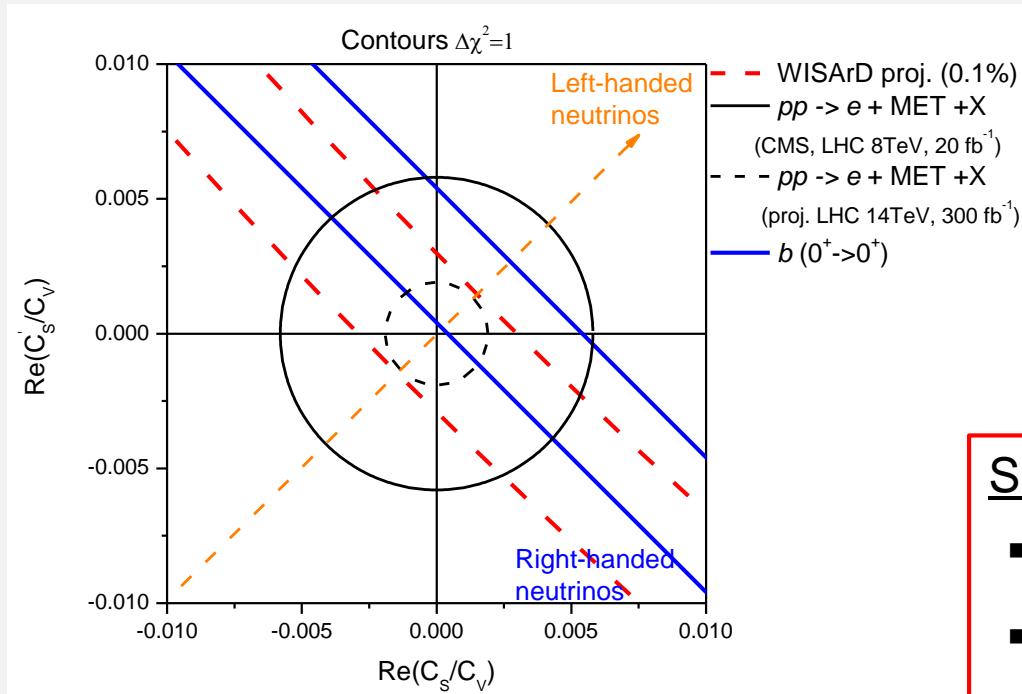


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WISArD

Future(!) LHC (14 TeV)

González-Alonso et al PPNP104 (2019)

Schedule:

- 2018-2024: ISOLDE (^{32}Ar)
- 2020: experiment accepted by INTC
- 2025-: DESIR
 - Higher intensity
 - Test of theoretical corrections
 - Other candidates (^{24}Si , ^{36}Ca , ...)

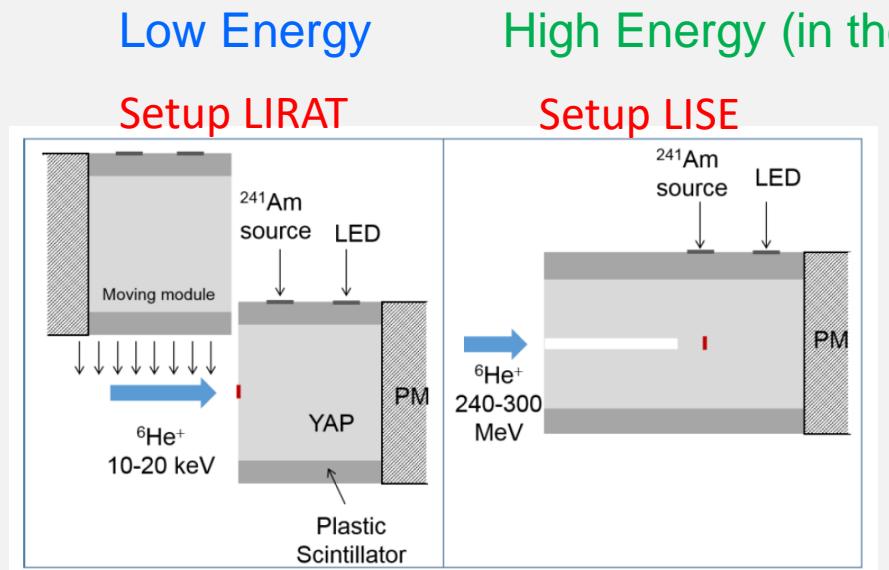
Exotic currents beyond V-A theory: 2 promising projects

II. b-STILED (b: Search for Tensor Interactions in nucLear bEta Decay)

- Collaboration LPCC, GANIL, LnHB
- Funded by the French Research National Agency (ANR, 2021-2025)
- Determination of b_{GT} in ${}^6\text{He}$ decay with the β spectrum shape
 - β scattering → "Calorimetric" method



González-Alonso & Naviliat-Cuncic PRC94 (2016)



Implantation on
the surface
(→ 2 detectors)

Implantation in depth
 $R(\text{beam}) > R(\beta)$

- HE setup already tested @ MSU
 - X. Huyan et al., HI237 (2016)
 - X. Huyan et al., NIMA879 (2018)
- GANIL can host the 2 setups

Schedule:

- 2020-2025: GANIL (${}^6\text{He}$)
- 2021: 1st experiment in 3 weeks!

Correlation measurements: "End" of LPCTrap? Not yet...

Between particles momenta

$$a \frac{\vec{p}_e \cdot \vec{p}_\nu}{E_e E_\nu}$$

P, T conserving

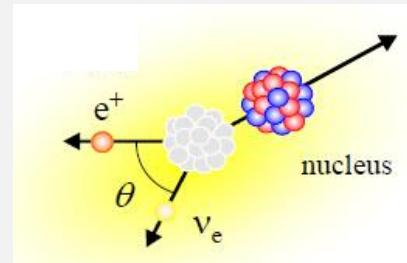
Vector	Parity	Time
p_J	$-p_J$	$-p_{-J}$

F	GT	Mirror
$-1 < a \leq 1$ Exotic Scalar currents	$-1/3 \leq a < 1/3$ Exotic Tensor currents	$a(\rho)$ where $\rho = GT/F$

Test of V - A theory
 $< 0.1\%$ to stay competitive
 with HE physics

*in V - A frame
 determination of ρ*
 $\sim 0.5\%$ is sufficient

González-Alonso et al PPNP10+ (2019)

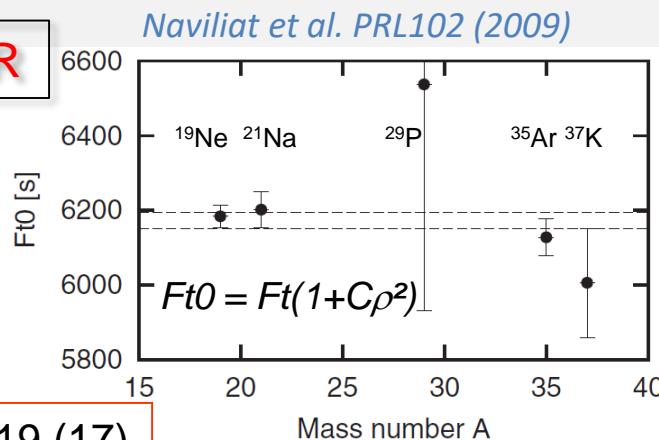


High precision experiments !

- $\rho^2 = \frac{|M_{GT}|^2 C_A^2}{|M_F|^2 C_V^2} = \frac{1-a}{a+1/3}$
- In mirror decays, **Fermi component** is large
→ alternative to $0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ to test CVC hypothesis

Mirror transitions vs Pure Fermi (PF) transitions

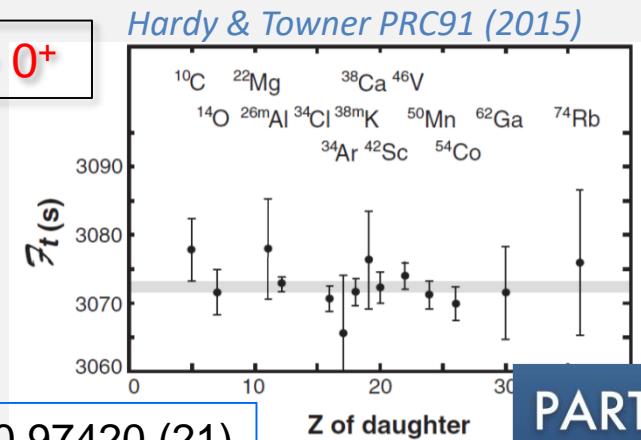
MIRROR



$$V_{ud} = 0.9719 (17)$$

a factor of ~ 10
less precise

$0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$



$$V_{ud} = 0.97420 (21)$$

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$$(Ft)^{PF} = f_V t_{1/2} (1 + \delta_R) (1 + \delta_{NS} - \delta_C) = \frac{K}{V_{ud}^2 (1 + \Delta_R)}$$



$(T_{1/2}, BR, M)$ measurements

$$(Ft)^{mirror} = f_V t_{1/2} (1 + \delta_R) (1 + \delta_{NS} - \delta_C) = \frac{2K}{V_{ud}^2 (1 + \Delta_R) (1 + \frac{f_A}{f_V} \rho^2)}$$



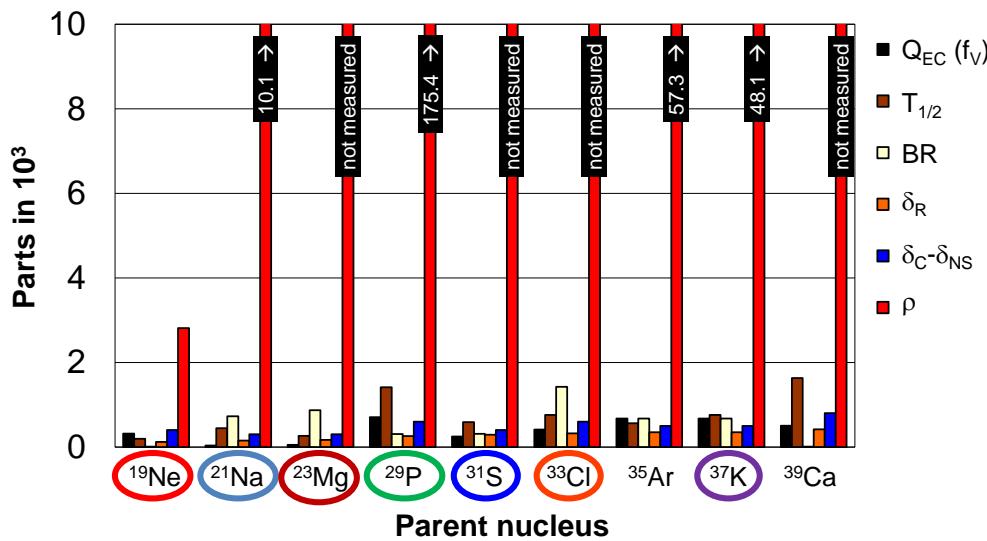
$(T_{1/2}, BR, M, \rho)$ measurements

$\delta_R, \delta_{NS}, \Delta_R$: radiative corrections
 δ_C : isospin symmetry breaking } $< 1\%$

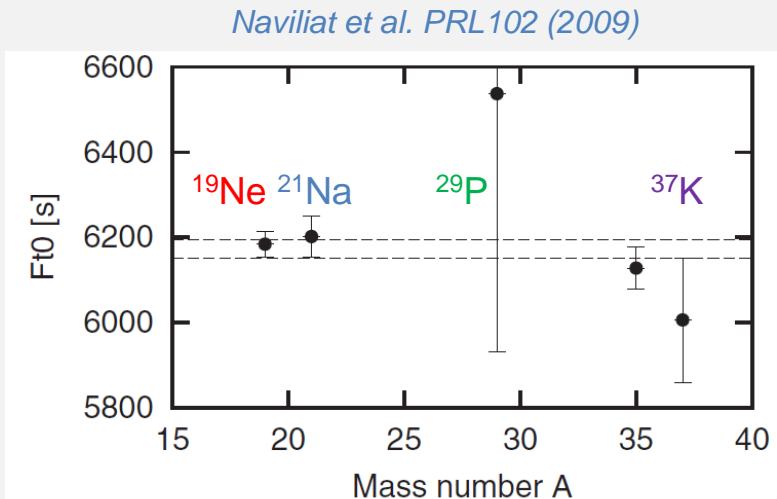
$\rightarrow \rho$ is the limiting parameter !

Mirror transitions: Status

adapted from Severijns et al. PRC78 (2008) and updated



- ^{19}Ne $T_{1/2}$: Broussard et al. PRL112 (2014)
 BR : Rebeiro et al. PRC99 (2019)
- ^{21}Na M: Karthein et al. PRC101 (2020)
 $T_{1/2}$: Grinyer et al. PRC91 (2015)
- ^{23}Mg M: Karthein et al. PRC101 (2020)
 $T_{1/2}$, BR: Magron et al. EPJA53 (2017)
- ^{29}P $T_{1/2}$: Long et al. PRC101 (2020)
- ^{31}S M: Kankainen et al. PRC82 (2010)
 $T_{1/2}$: Bacquias et al. EPJA48 (2012)
- ^{33}Cl $T_{1/2}$: Grinyer et al. PRC92 (2015)
- ^{37}K $T_{1/2}$: Shidling et al. PRC90 (2014)



The scientific community involved
in this field... BUT

$$V_{ud} (2009) = 0.9719 (17)$$

in 2021 with ↓ new $T_{1/2}$, Br & M

$$V_{ud} = 0.9719 (17) !$$

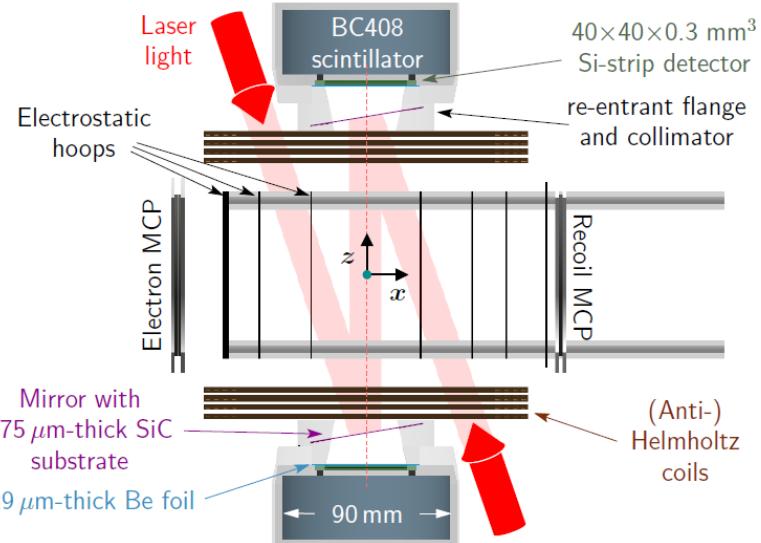
For V_{ud} determination,
 ρ improvements are necessary ...

Mirror transitions: Status

Recent results: Measurement of A_β in ^{37}K (TRIUMF) & in ^{19}Ne (Princeton)

Fenker et al. PRL 120 (2018)

Combs et al. arXiv:2009.13700v2



- Source confined in MoT of TRINAT
- Detection of β in Z direction with nucleus polarization in $\pm Z$
- Degree of P measured by laser probe & detection of photo-ions
 $\rightarrow P_{\sigma^-} = 99.13(8)\% \quad P_{\sigma^+} = 99.12(9)\%$

$$\longrightarrow A_\beta = -0.5707(18) \quad 0.3\% \text{ relative precision}$$

$$\longrightarrow V_{ud} = 0.9719(17) \longrightarrow V_{ud} = 0.9725(14) !$$

one single shot \rightarrow clear improvement on V_{ud} & ^{37}K is not the most sensitive case ...

Mirror transitions: Status

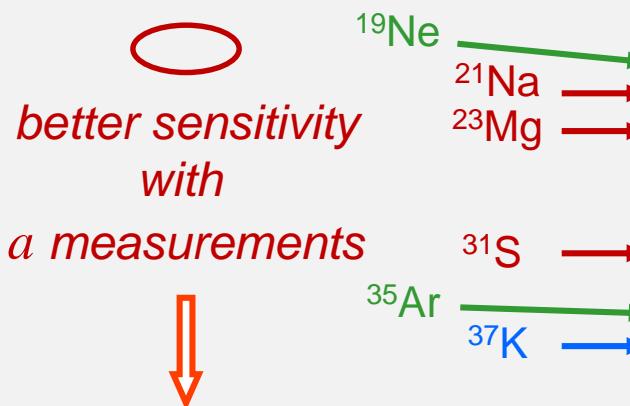
- ρ precisely determined from correlation measurements

$$a_m = \frac{(1-\rho^2/3)}{(1+\rho^2)}$$

$$A_m = \frac{\rho^2 - 2\rho\sqrt{J(J+1)}}{(1+\rho^2)(J+1)}$$

Severijns & Naviliat-Cuncic PST152(2013)

a or A @ 0.5% ?



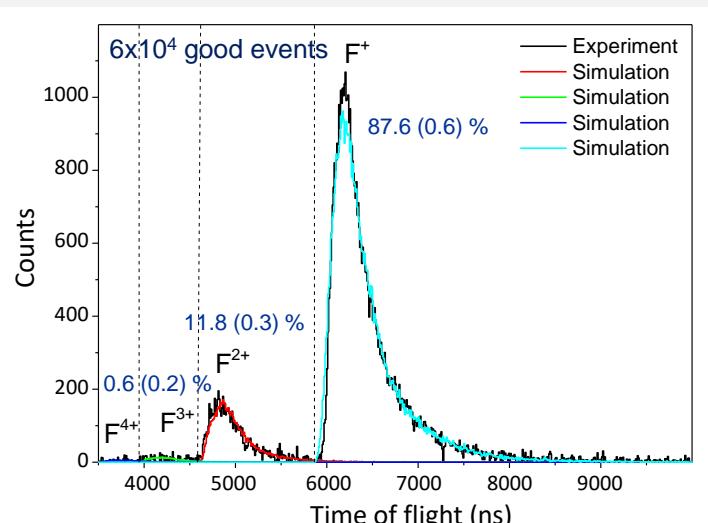
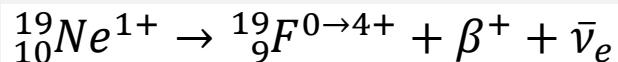
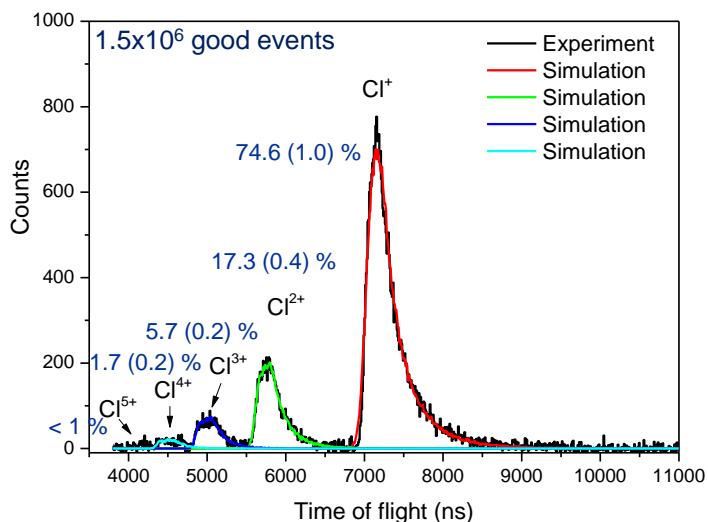
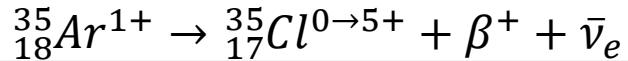
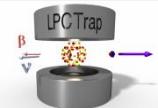
LPCTrap@GANIL ?

Parent nucleus	ΔV_{ud}	a $(\Delta V_{ud})^{\text{limit}}$	Factor $\Delta \mathcal{F}t$	ΔV_{ud}	A $(\Delta V_{ud})^{\text{limit}}$	Factor $\Delta \mathcal{F}t$
³ H	0.0011	0.0010	2.1	0.0011	0.0009	2.3
¹¹ C	0.0025	0.0016	4.0	0.0207	0.0207	0.3
¹³ N	0.0017	0.0017	1.0	0.0123	0.0123	0.1
¹⁵ O	0.0020	0.0016	2.4	0.0023	0.0020	1.9
¹⁷ F	0.0019	0.0013	3.1	0.0341	0.0341	0.1
¹⁹ Ne	0.0011	0.0010	1.5	0.0011	0.0011	1.5
²¹ Na	0.0022	0.0017	2.7	0.0036	0.0034	1.3
²³ Mg	0.0025	0.0018	3.1	0.0034	0.0030	1.9
²⁵ Al	0.0019	0.0018	1.7	0.0056	0.0056	0.5
²⁷ Si	0.0029	0.0018	4.1	0.0068	0.0066	1.1
²⁹ P	0.0026	0.0018	3.4	0.0024	0.0014	4.3
³¹ S	0.0038	0.0018	5.9	0.0068	0.0061	1.8
³³ Cl	0.0021	0.0018	2.0	0.0013	0.0006	6.0
³⁵ Ar	0.0019	0.0018	1.1	0.0007	0.0004	4.8
³⁷ K	0.0034	0.0017	5.8	0.0050	0.0041	2.3
³⁹ Ca	0.0024	0.0016	3.5	0.0032	0.0027	2.2
⁴¹ Sc	0.0029	0.0022	2.7	0.0299	0.0299	0.2
⁴³ Ti	0.0076	0.0018	13.2	0.0167	0.0151	1.6
⁴⁵ V	0.0112	0.0020	17.7	0.0115	0.0032	11.2

$(\Delta V_{ud})^{\text{limit}} \rightarrow$ only $\Delta\rho$ contributes in uncertainty

not the most sensitive

"Mirror" studies with LPCTrap: $^{35}\text{Ar}^{1+}$ & $^{19}\text{Ne}^{1+}$ cases



Shakeoff

Couratin et al. PRA88 (2013)

- Excellent agreement when including Auger emission

About a_m

- $(\Delta a_m / a_m)_{\text{stat}} \sim 0.15 \%$
- Analysis of data: after ^6He ...



High precision potential result...

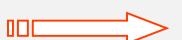
Shake-off

Fabian et al. PRA97 (2018)

- Overestimation of neutrals & highest charge states
needs of e – e correlations for systems with low Z?

About a_m

- $(\Delta a_m / a_m)_{\text{stat}} \sim 11 \% \ (a_m \sim 0 \dots)$
- Analysis of data: after ^6He ...



Best precision for a_m but no effect on ΔV_{ud}

"Mirror" studies with LPCTrap: $^{35}\text{Ar}^{1+}$ & $^{19}\text{Ne}^{1+}$ cases



Final results between 2 extrema: "ideal" & "conservative"



$$\sigma_{\text{syst}} = \sigma_{\text{stat}}$$



$$\sigma_{\text{syst}} = 0.005$$

Nucleus	Date	a	σ_{stat}	$\sigma_{\text{tot}} (\text{ideal})$	$\sigma_{\text{tot}} (\text{conservative})$
^6He	2006	-0.3335	0.0073	/	/
	2010	-1/3 (SM)	0.0015	0.0021	0.0052
^{35}Ar	2011	/	/	/	/
	2012	0.9004 (SM)	0.0013	0.0019	0.0052
^{19}Ne	2013	0.0438 (SM)	0.0046	0.0065	0.0068

^{35}Ar

- Expected results $\sigma_a/a :$ $\sim 0.21 \%$ $\sim 0.58 \%$
- Factor gained on $\sigma_\rho/\rho :$ ~ 5.4 ~ 2.2

$$\sigma(V_{ud}) / V_{ud} = 1.7 \times 10^{-3} \longrightarrow 9 \times 10^{-4} \quad 1.4 \times 10^{-3}$$

(in 2021 with only new $T_{1/2}$, Br & M)

Even in the worst case, the effect would be noticeable!

Mirror transitions: 2 recent reasons to continue

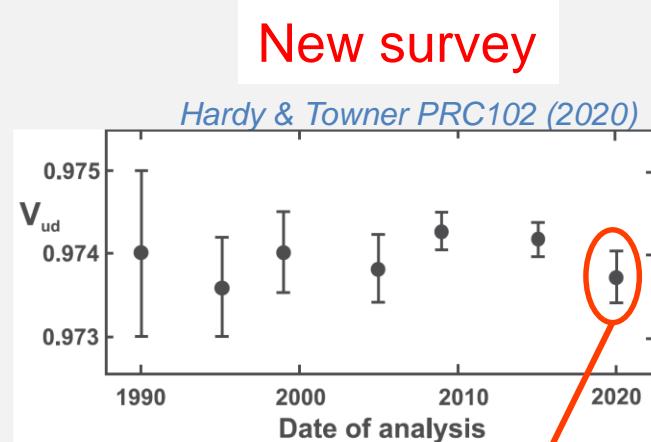
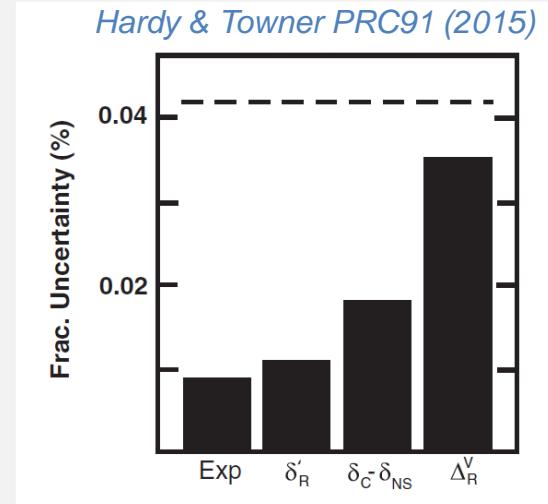
1. New theoretical corrections calculations reopen controversy!

$$(Ft)^{PF} = f_V t_{1/2} (1 + \delta_R) (1 + \delta_{NS} - \delta_C) = \frac{K}{V_{ud}^2 (1 + \Delta_R)}$$

↓ ↓ ↓ ↓
Specific theoretical corrections *Common radiative correction*

	"Old"	"Recent"	"Very recent"
Δ_R	0.02361 (38) Marciano et al PRL 2006	0.02467 (22) Seng et al PRL 2018	
Ft	3072.07 (63) s Hardy et al PRC 2015		3070.50 (117) (new δ_{NS}) Seng et al PRD 2019
V_{ud}	0.97420 (21)	0.97370 (14)	0.97395 (21)
CKM Unitarity	0.9994 (5)	0.9984 (4) <i>4 σ away!</i>	0.9989 (5) <i>2.2 σ away!</i>

possibly more, but the incompatibility of the $K_{\ell 3}$ and $K_{\ell 2}$ results for $|V_{us}|$ make a definitive conclusion elusive. Certainly, the $|V_{ud}|$ value reported here has had the effect of increasing tension in the unitarity test. Overall, the new data have opened



$|V_{ud}| = 0.97373 \pm 0.00031$.
a factor ~ 1.5 less precise

Mirror transitions: 2 recent reasons to continue

2. New global approach → surprising effect of mirror decays!

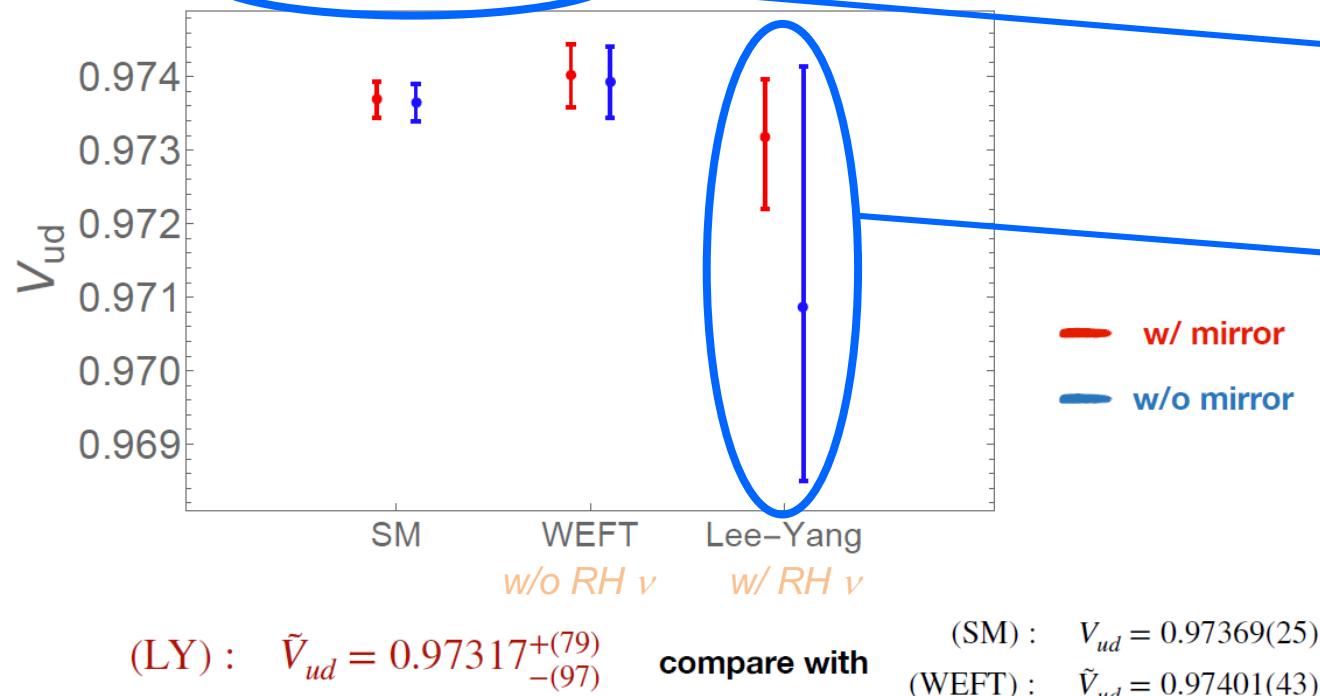
Falkowski et al. JHEP04 (2021)

Constraints on V_{ud} matrix element

Constraints on C_V^+ translate into constraints on the (polluted) CKM matrix element V_{ud}

$$C_V^+ = \frac{\tilde{V}_{ud}}{v^2} g_V \sqrt{1 + \Delta_R^V}, \quad \tilde{V}_{ud} \equiv V_{ud}(1 + \epsilon_L + \epsilon_R)$$

Mirror data bring a factor of 3 improvement on the determination V_{ud} in the general scenario

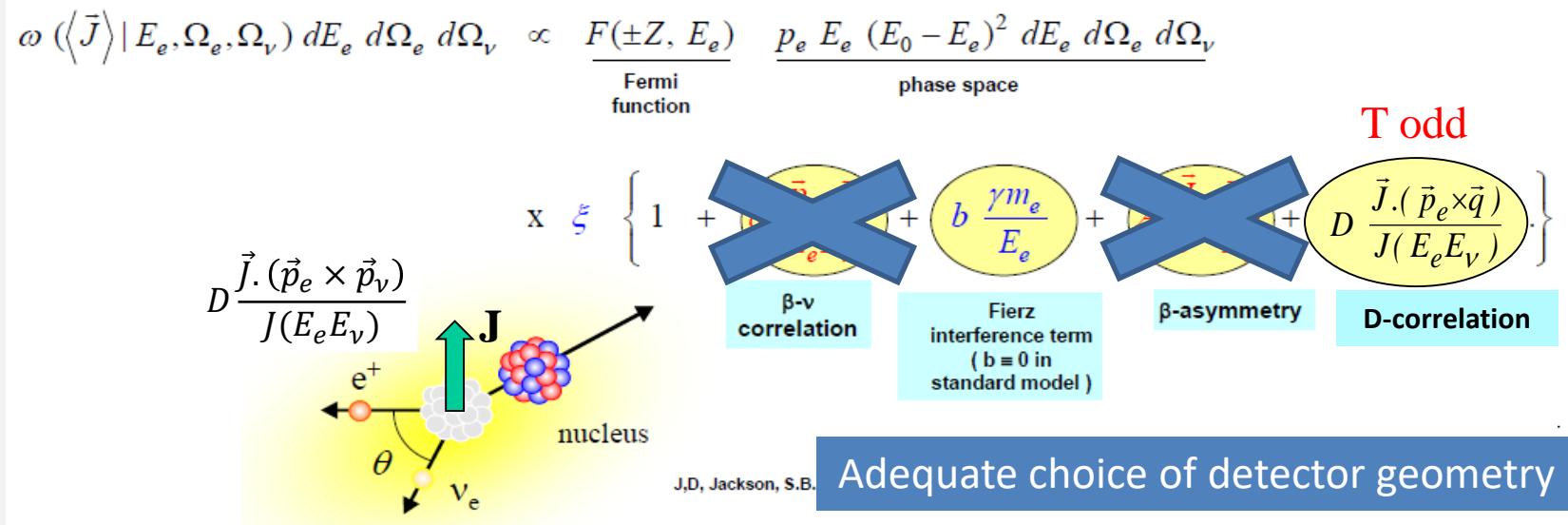


A. Falkowski, Workshop MORA, 09 October 2020

Correlation measurements: "End" of LPCTrap? Not yet...

I. Correlations between particles momenta: mirror decays for CVC & V_{ud}

II. Correlations between particles momenta and spin



- Sensitivity to $TRV \rightarrow$ sensitivity to CP violation (CPT theorem)
new sources expected to explain matter/antimatter asymmetry
- Experimental method: $\beta - v$ correlation and decaying nucleus polarization
LPCTrap-like setup + lasers (optical pumping)

Search for CP violation in nuclear β decay: How?

II. Correlations between particles momenta and spin

$$D \frac{\vec{J} \cdot (\vec{p}_e \times \vec{p}_\nu)}{J(E_e E_\nu)}$$

P conserving
sign changes under T

$$D = \frac{2\rho \frac{C_V}{C_A} \delta_{JJ'} (\frac{J}{J+1})^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{Im}(\frac{C_A}{C_V})}{(1 + \rho^2)}$$

D can be $\neq 0$ ONLY IF $\rho \neq 0$ & $\rho \neq \infty$

→ *Measurement of $D \neq 0$ (search for CP violation) has sense only in mirror decays !*

$$D = F(X) \text{Im}(\frac{C_A}{C_V})$$

X	n	^{19}Ne	^{23}Mg	^{39}Ca
$F(X)$	0.3413 (8)	-0.4076 (6)	-0.5142 (10)	0.5584 (15)

→ *Sensitivity to "New Physics" depends on ρ and J*

$$D = 0 \text{ in SM but ...}$$



e⁻ interacts with its environment: EM effects

Final State Interaction (D_{FSI})

X	n	^{19}Ne	^{23}Mg	^{39}Ca
$D_{FSI}(X)$	1.1×10^{-5}	1.6×10^{-4}	1.1×10^{-4}	-3×10^{-5}

→ *At high precision, experiments could be sensitive to D_{FSI}*

Search for CP violation in nuclear β decay: Why?

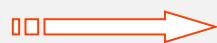
- Current situation

- CP violation observed in the K, B, D° meson decays is not enough to account for the large matter – antimatter asymmetry
- T-odd correlations in beta decay (D and R) and n-EDM searches are sensitive to larger CP violations by 5 to 10 orders of magnitude
- Current best results in nuclear decays:

^{19}Ne decay $\rightarrow D = (1 \pm 6) 10^{-4}$ *Calaprice et al. Hyp. Int.22 (1985)*

n decay $\rightarrow D = (-0.9 \pm 2.1) 10^{-4}$ *Mumm et al. PRL107 (2011)* *Chupp et al. PRC86 (2012)*

- n-EDM measurement seems to have a higher sensitivity....
but → not for all possible extensions of SM (LQ models)
→ interpretation less direct
- Final precision of 2×10^{-5} on D *A. Falkowski, IJCLab, private communication*
→ probing a new particle > some TeV

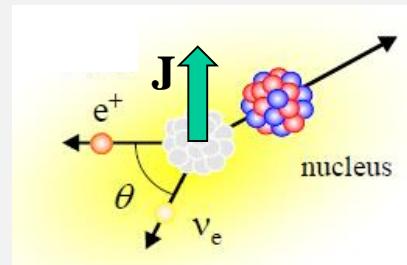


Enough room for high precision measurements of D in nuclear β decays

Search for CP violation in nuclear β decay: the MORA project

$$D = \frac{2\rho \frac{C_V}{C_A} \delta_{JJ'} (\frac{J}{J+1})^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{Im}(\frac{C_A}{C_V})}{(1 + \rho^2)}$$

$$D \frac{\vec{J} \cdot (\vec{p}_e \times \vec{p}_\nu)}{J(E_e E_\nu)}$$



$D \neq 0$ in *mirror decays*



Production of light exotic species in EU:

- ISOLDE
- **IGISOL-4**
- SPIRAL1
- ...

Polarization of decaying nuclei



Optical pumping (lasers)
→ very efficient method to polarize ions/atoms in traps
Fenker et al. PRL120 (2018)

Sensitivity to $\beta\nu$ correlation



TRAP: ideal source for β -recoil measurements
(TRINAT, BPT, **LPCTrap**, ...)

Burkey et al. HI240 (2019)
Fabian et al. PRA97 (2018)

MORA: Matter's Origin from the RadioActivity of trapped and laser oriented ions
Delahaye et al. HI240 (2019)

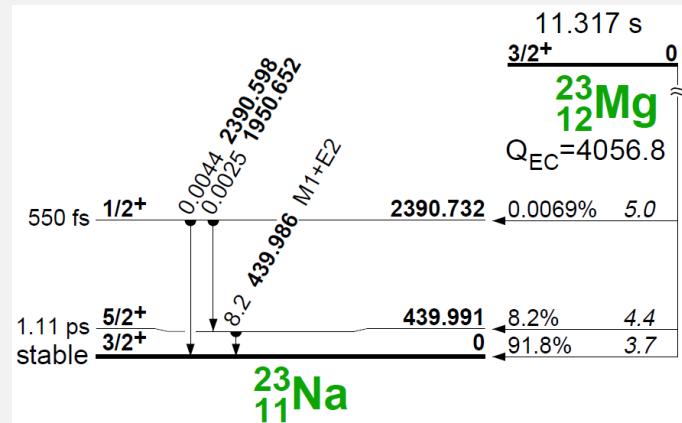
Building of a **new LPCTrap-like setup** allowing ion cloud polarization using **lasers**, installed **first @ JYFL** (proof of principle, 1st measurement)
later @ DESIR/GANIL (higher beam intensities)



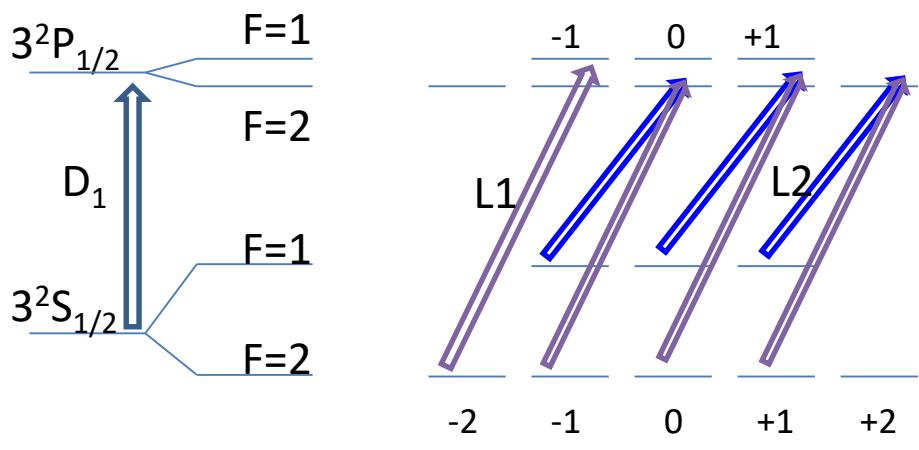
$^{23}\text{Mg}^{1+}$: the first candidate for MORA

- The pros ...

- Gain in sensitivity in NP of a factor 1.5 vs n decay
- Production rates
 - > 10^5 pps @ JYFL, measured in Oct 2018
 - > 10^8 pps expected at DESIR/GANIL
- Adapted lasers @ JYFL
 - Ti-Sa laser pulsed @ 10kHz
 - 20 μJ / pulse \rightarrow ~ 99% polarization degree expected in 1 ms (velocity of trapped ions included in simulations) [R. de Groote, X. Fléchard and W. Gins](#)



$^{23}\text{Mg}^{1+}$ hyperfine structure $F = I + J$



Optical pumping

- Nuclear spin J interacts with atomic one I $\rightarrow F = I + J$
- $\sigma+$ or $\sigma-$ light (scan of hyperfine structure) forces ions in the $m_F = \pm F$ state

[Neyens et al. PRL94 \(2005\)](#) [Yordanov et al. PRL108 \(2012\)](#)

$L1+L2$ lasers excited using a broadband pulsed Ti:Sa laser (tripled frequency $\rightarrow \lambda \sim 280\text{nm}$)
 $\sigma+$ polarization

- ... and cons

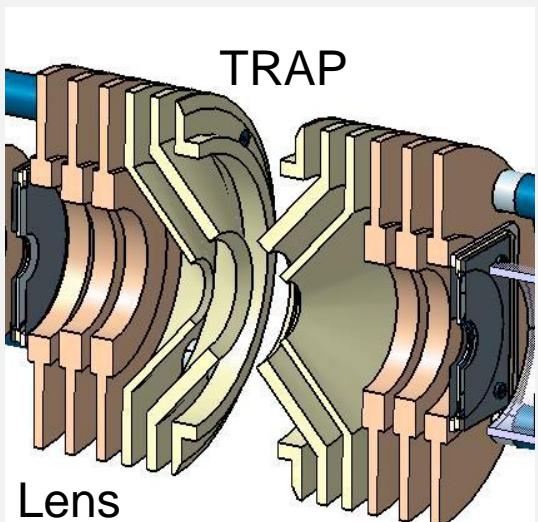
- Production rates & contamination

> 10^5 pps @ JYFL, measured in Oct 2018
with > 200 x more stable $^{23}\text{Na}^{1+}$

- $T_{1/2} \sim 11$ s

- LPCTrap: capacity $\sim 10^5$ ions/bunch
ion lifetime ~ 0.5 s

Delahaye et al. EPJA55 (2019)



Solution

- 1) Dedicated new sextupole downstream the gas cell
- 2) Use of MR-ToF-MS

- 1) Optimization of the new trap design:

- ✓ reduction of harmonics of order higher than 2
- ✓ increase of detection solid angle

We can expect: capacity > 10^6 ions/bunch
ion lifetime > 1 s

Benali et al., EPJA56 (2020)

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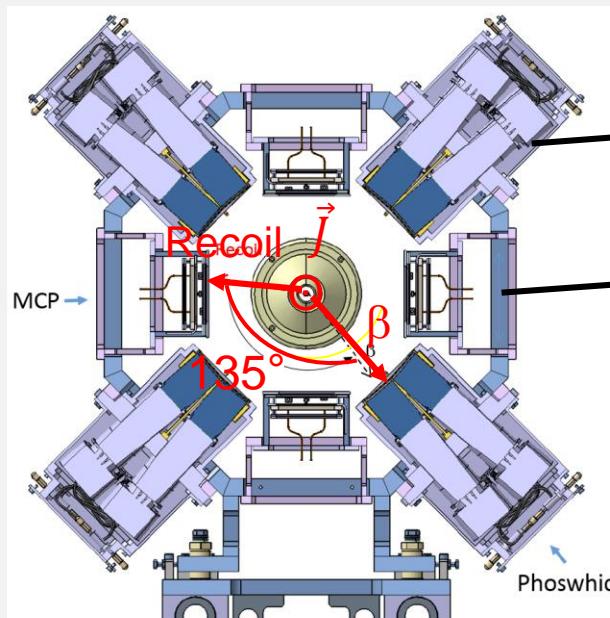
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- LPCTrap capacity: ~ 10^5 ions/bunch
ion lifetime: ~ 0.5 s

Solution

- 1) Dedicated new sextupole downstream the gas cell
- 2) Use of MR-ToF-MS ?

- 2) Optimization of the number of detectors around the trap



emiT-like setup

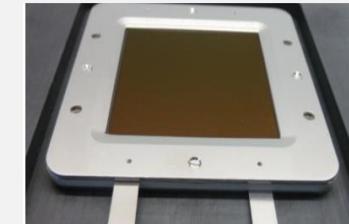
Mumm et al. RSI75 (2004)

4x4 "Phoswich" detectors
for β particles

4 "RIDE" detectors
for recoil ions

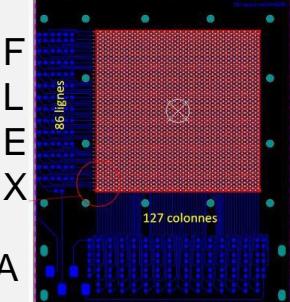
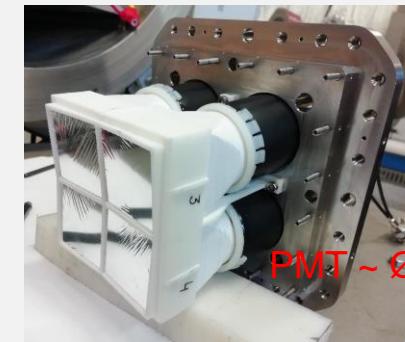
$$D \propto \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-}$$

(for $\pm \vec{J}$ and \neq detector pairs)



μCP 50x50 + PSA

Plastic scintillators

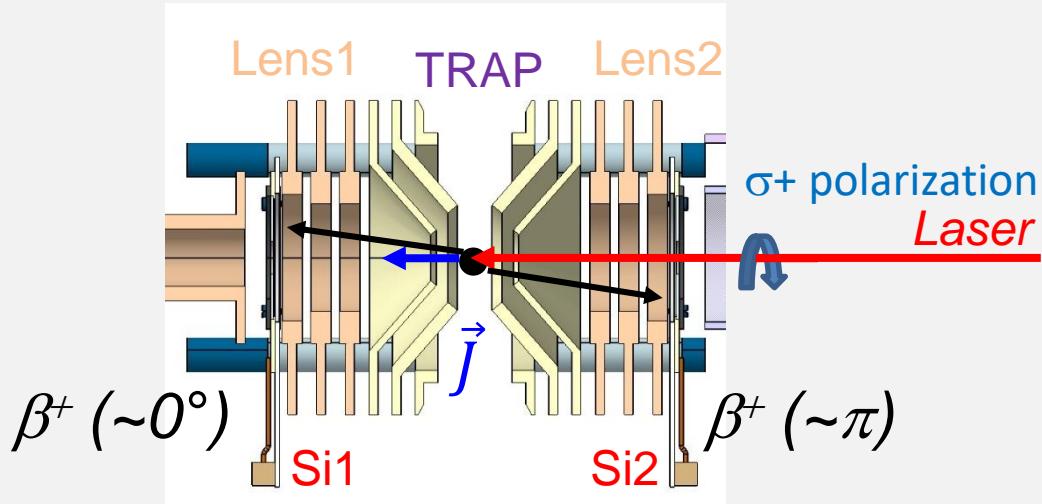


First measurement: the Polarization degree

Asymmetry in counting rates depends on the cloud polarization degree P

$$\frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-} \propto DP$$

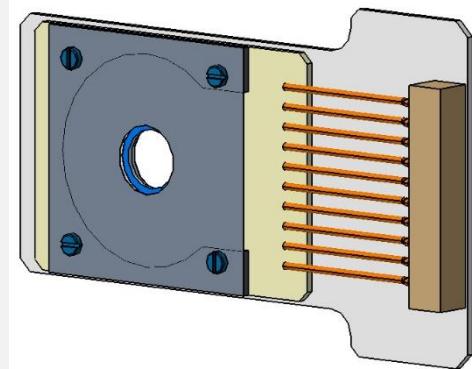
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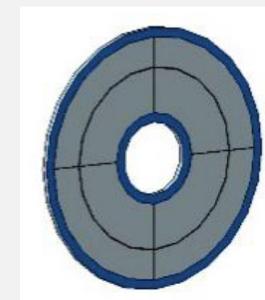
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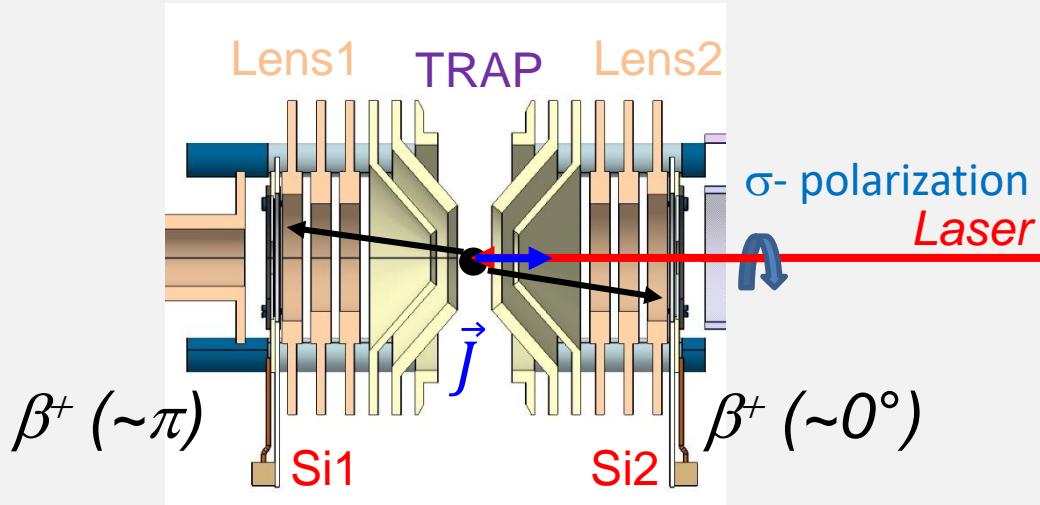


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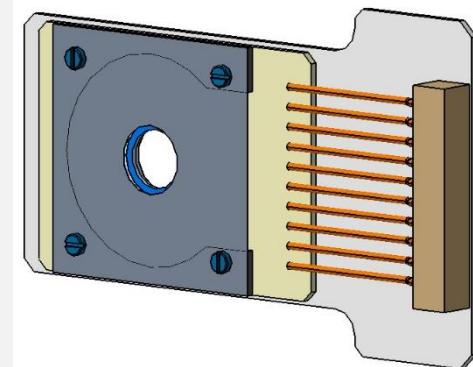
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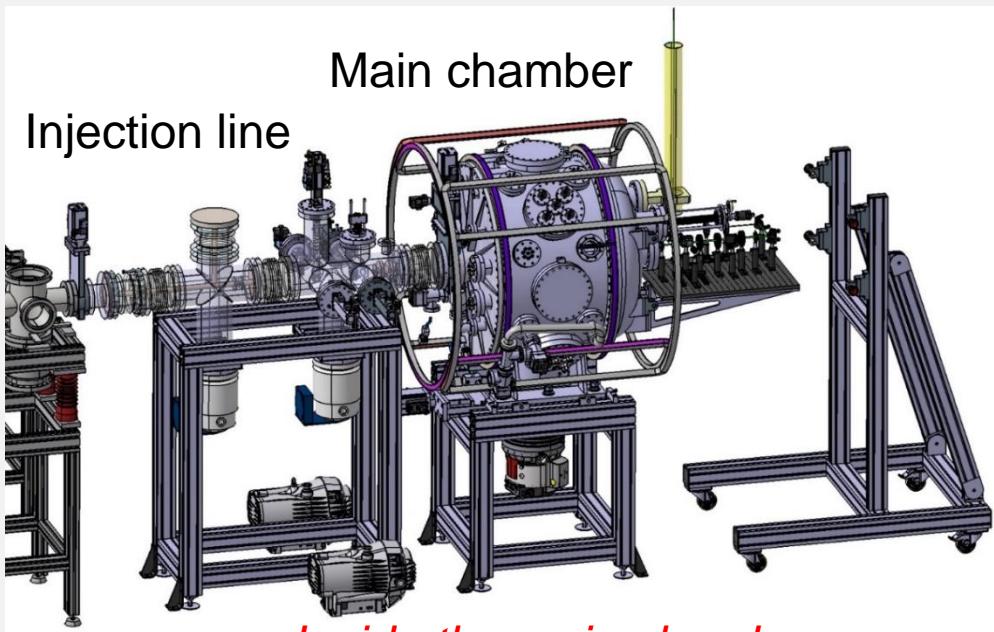
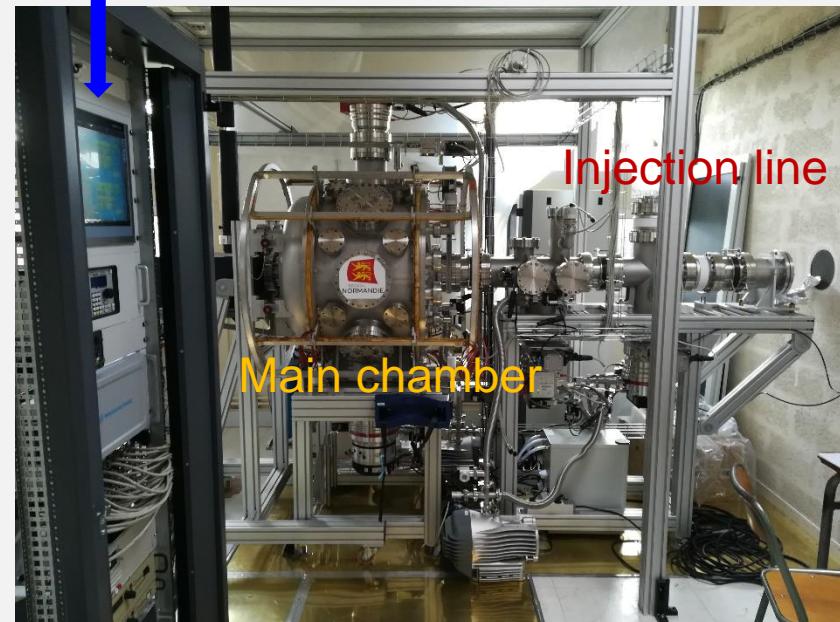
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Severijns et al. PRC78 (2008)
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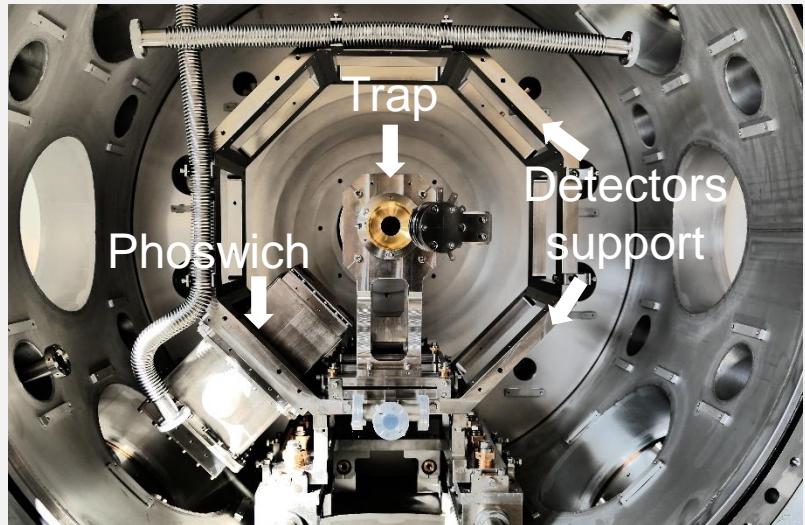
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MORA @ LPCC

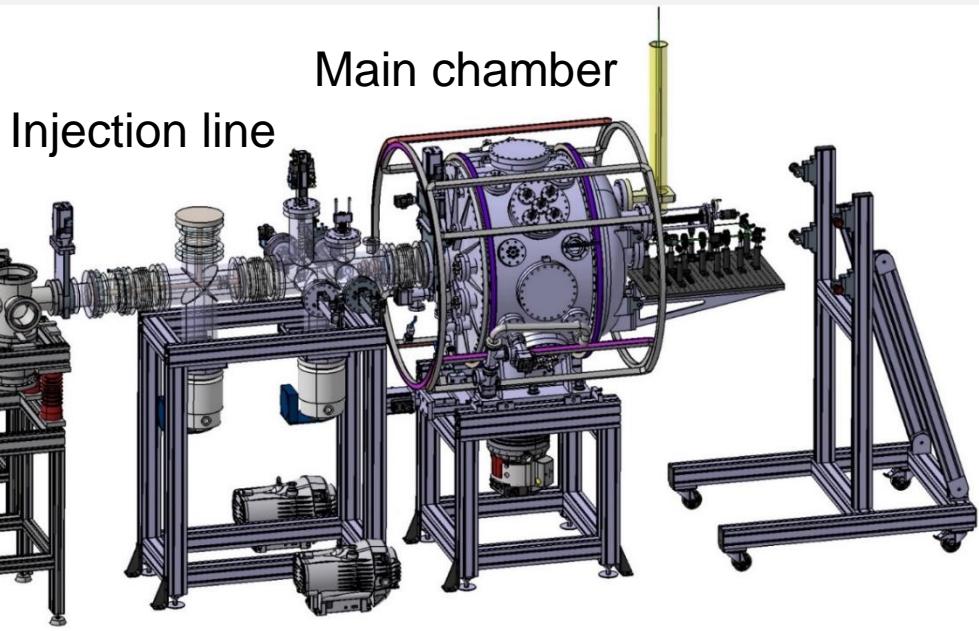
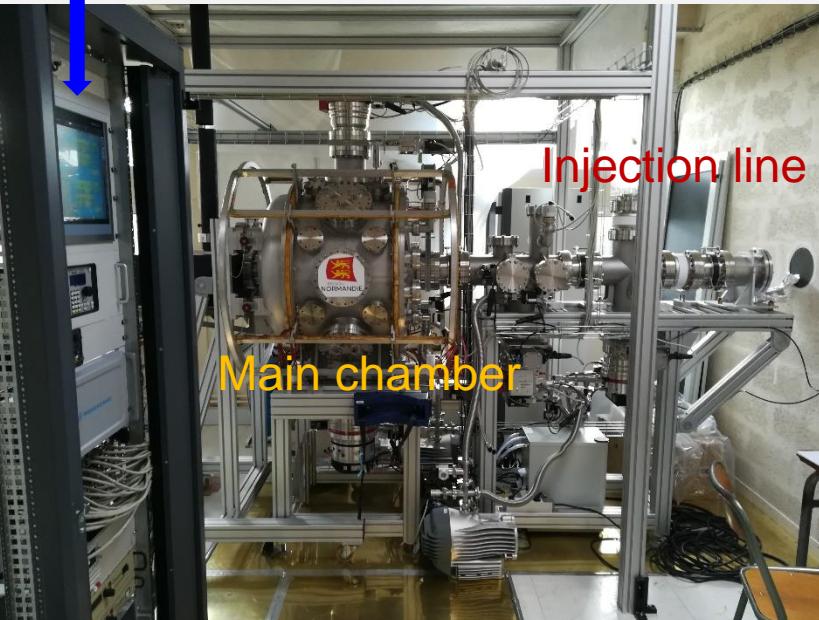


Inside the main chamber



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Schedule

- Setup **fully tested** @LPCC in **summer 2021**
- Installed @JYFL in **fall 2021**
- First measurements in **2021-2022:**
 1. A_β for P determination
 2. D with limited stat

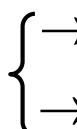
MORA: perspectives

*from
2021*
*from
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	Trapped ions/cycle	Data taking (days)	Num. of events (P)	σ_P (%)	Num. of coinc. (D)	Sensitivity on D
JYFL: P	2.0×10^4	8	1.7×10^5	1.9	1.5×10^6	1.0×10^{-3}
JYFL: D	2.0×10^4	32	6.7×10^5	0.94	6.1×10^6	5.2×10^{-4}
DESIR: D	1.0×10^6	24	2.5×10^7	0.15	2.3×10^8	8.5×10^{-5}
DESIR: D	5.0×10^6	24	1.3×10^8	0.07	1.2×10^9	3.8×10^{-5}

with optimal trapping 

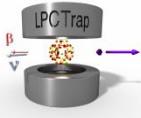
- best precision in nuclear beta decay (i.e. compared to ^{19}Ne)
- best precision (i.e. compared to n) – constraint on D_{FSI} ($\sim 1.1 \times 10^{-4}$)?
(DESIR/SPIRAL1: I(^{23}Mg) > 10^8 pps)

Next candidate: $^{39}\text{Ca}^{1+}$? 

- better sensitivity to NP ($D_{FSI} \sim -3 \times 10^{-5}$)
- study required for production rate (Lol13_21)

MORA is funded by





- High precision measurements in nuclear β decays
 - Sensitive tool to test the Standard Model, complementary to high energy physics
 - Information hidden in correlations
- Correlations between particles momenta
 - In pure transitions
 - Search for exotic currents (**S** or **T**): 0.1% precision is needed
 - WISArD (**S**, @ISOLDE) and b-STILED (**T**, @GANIL): promising projects
 - In mirror transitions
 - Determination of mixing ratio
 - LPCTrap or MORA (@GANIL/DESIR): clean environment *to be confirmed*
- Correlations between particles momenta and spin
 - In mirror transitions
 - Search for new sources of CP violation
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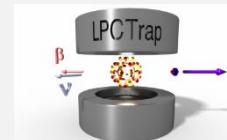
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