

Single Ion Spectroscopy: Towards Measuring Atomic Parity Violation

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Test of Standard Model

The Standard Model (SM) of particle physics is “incomplete” \Rightarrow searches for physics “beyond the SM” at two, complementary, fronts:

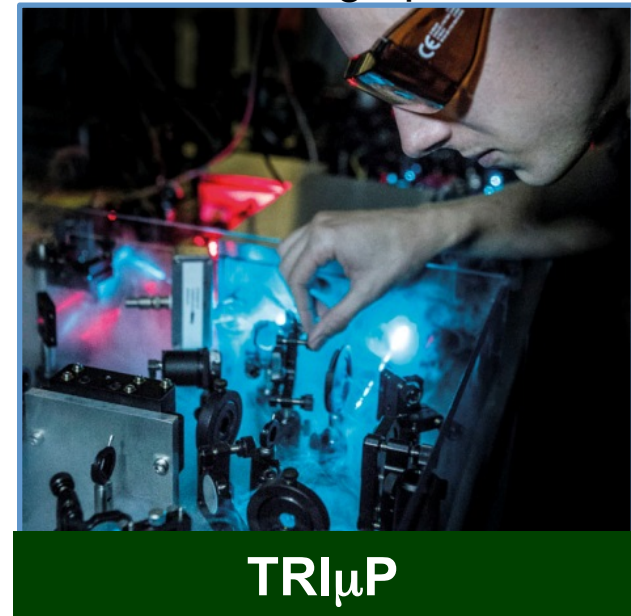
High energy collider experiments:
Direct observation of new particles



e.g. Discovery of Higgs

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Complementary

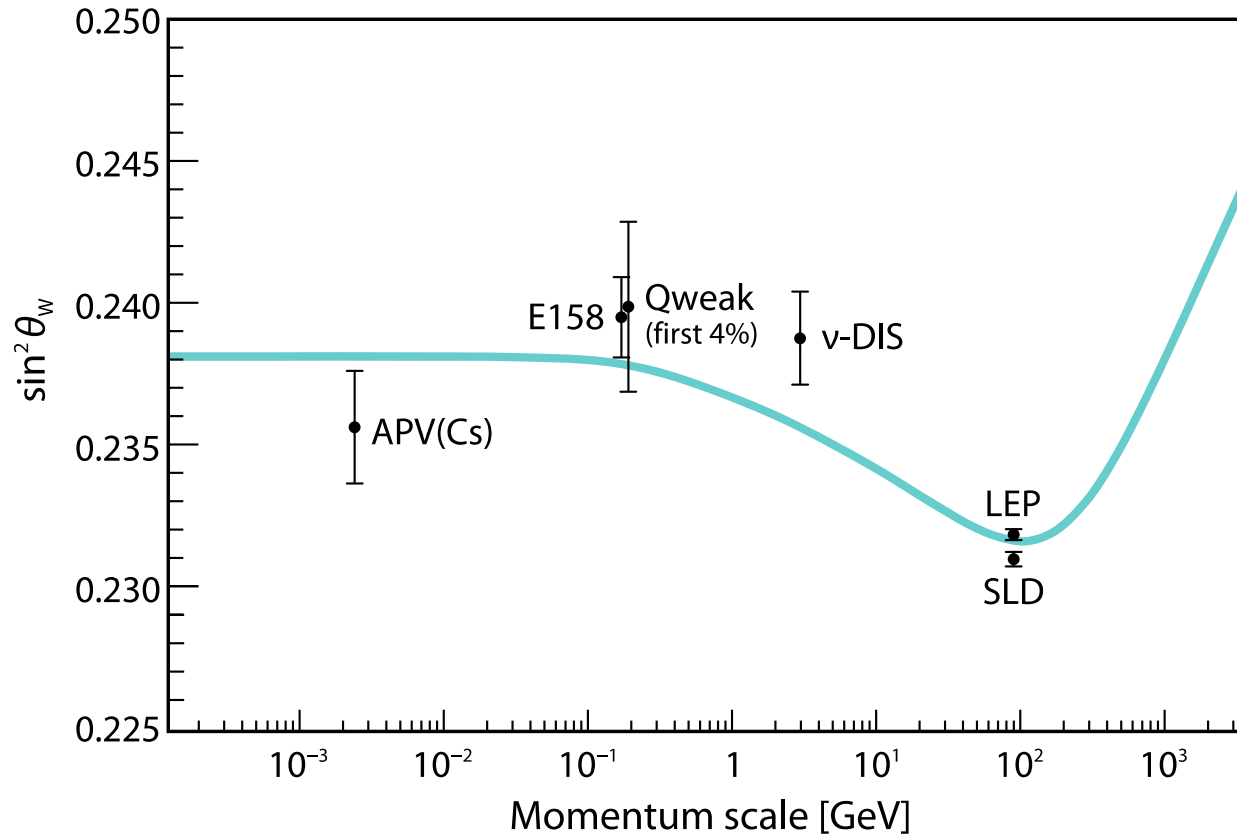
Low energy searches:
Indirect with high precision



e.g. Atomic Parity Violation

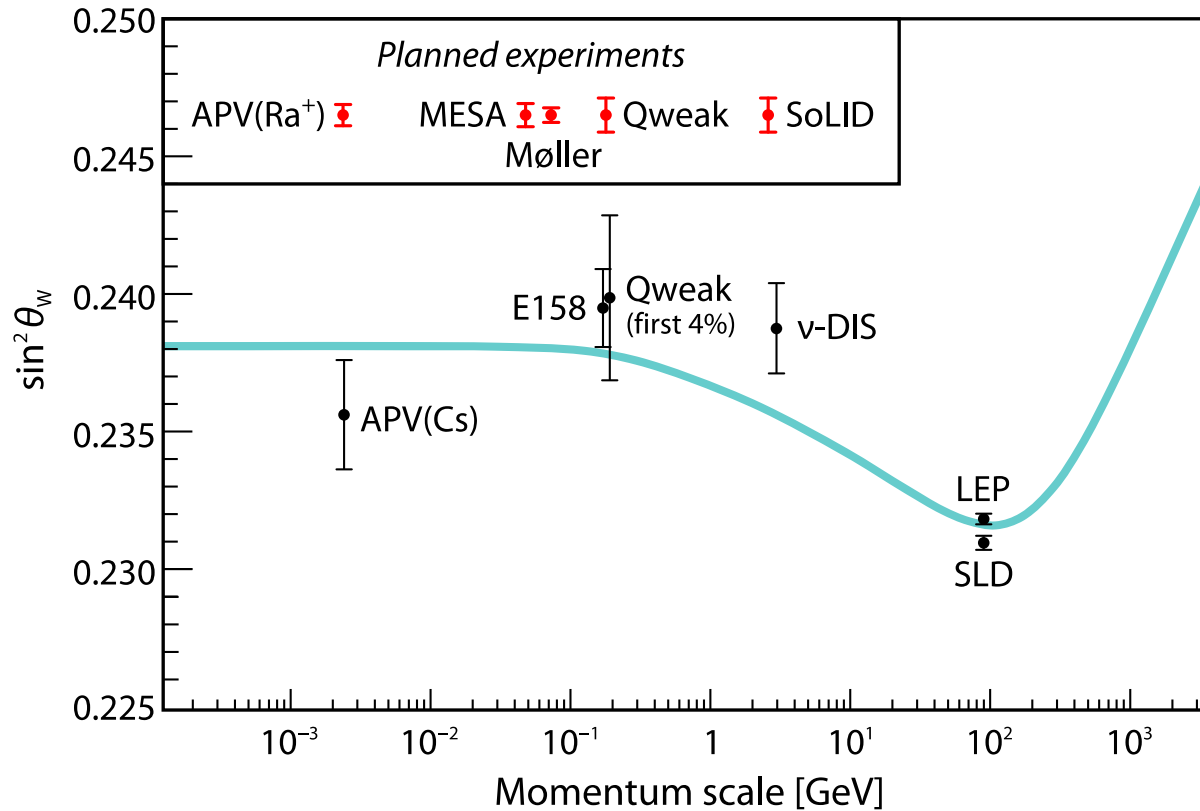
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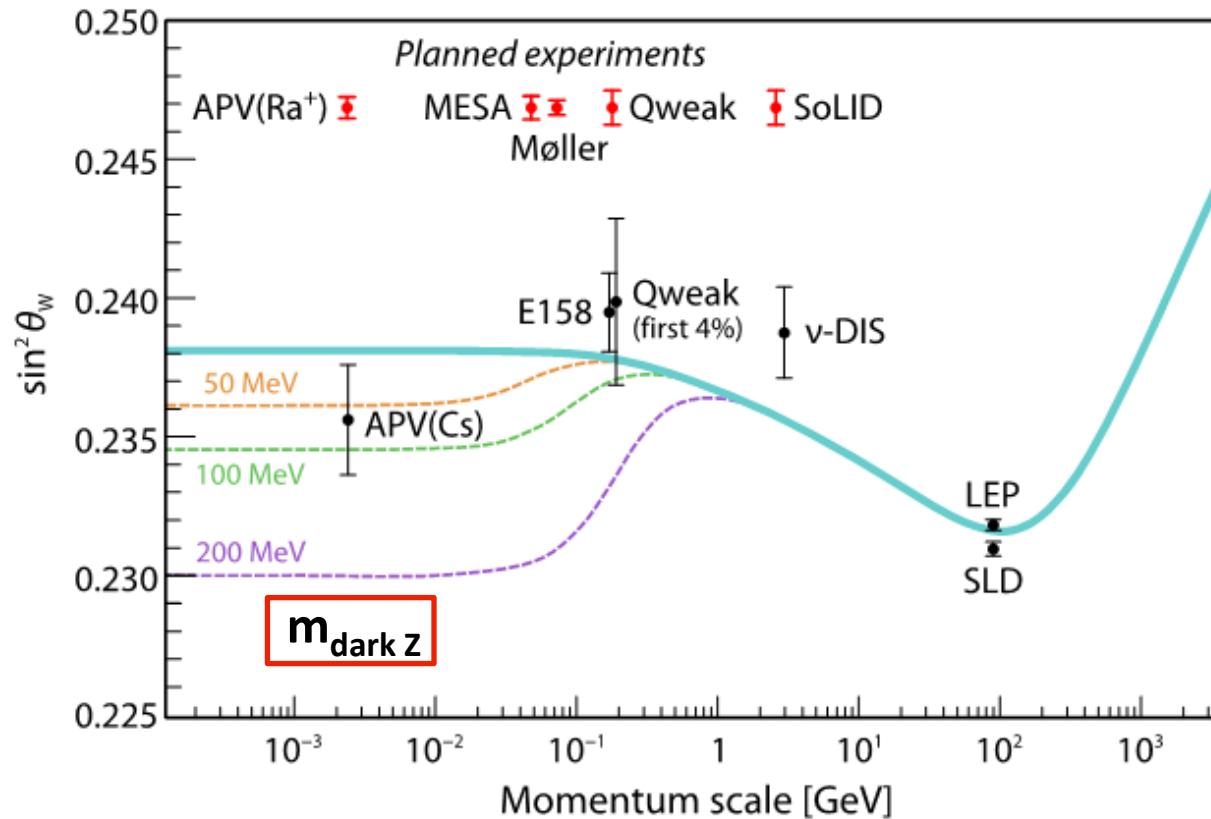


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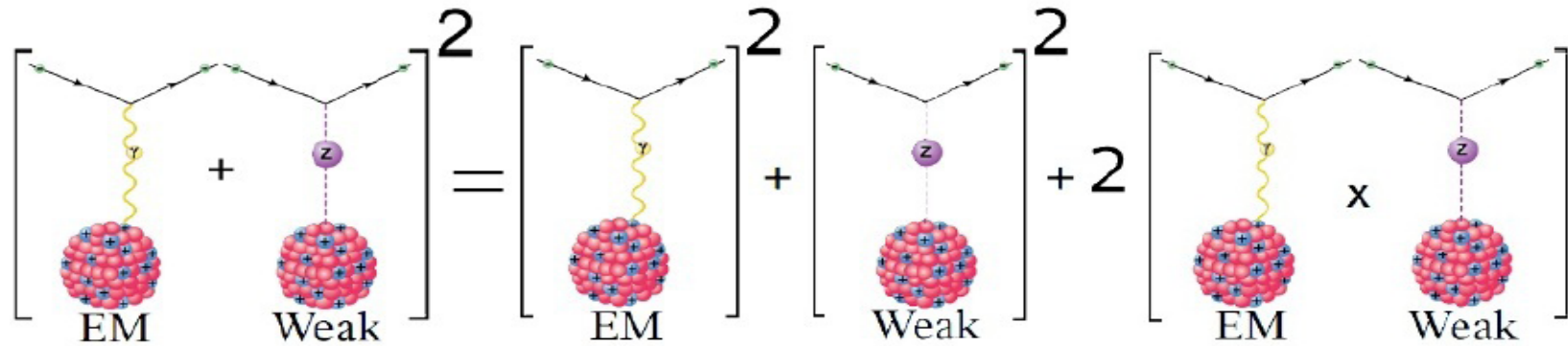


$$Q_W = -N + (1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W)Z + \text{rad. corr.} + \text{“new physics”}$$

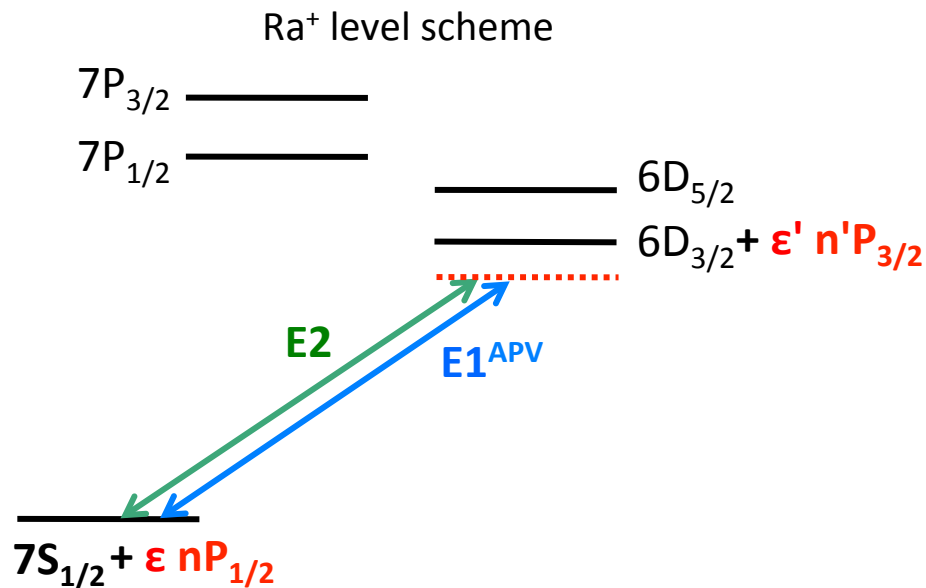
Best limit on the mass of Z' from APV

Atomic Parity Violation (APV)

Weak interaction violates parity



Atomic states acquire tiny admixture of opposite-parity states



$$E1_{APV} = k Q_W$$

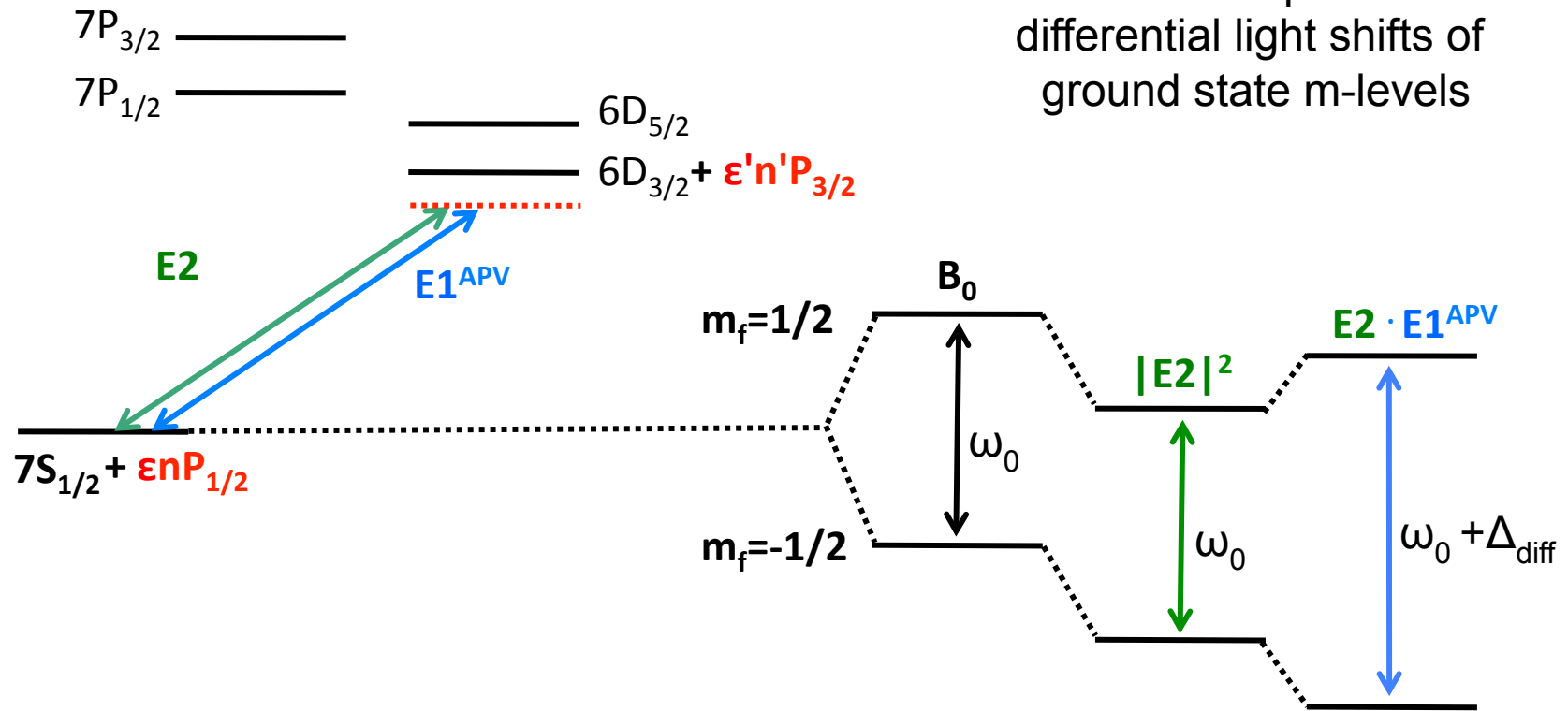
From atomic theory

Infer weak charge

Principle of Experiment

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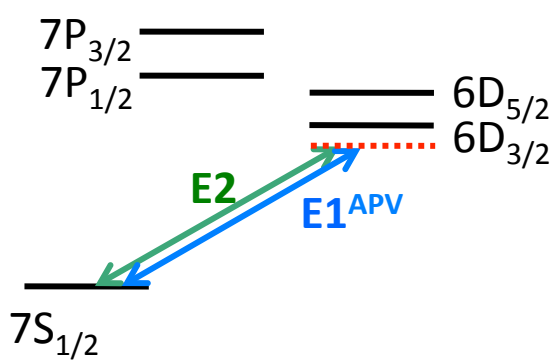
measure



Interference produces differential light shifts of ground state m-levels

**Localize single ion to better than one wavelength
Measure with RF spectroscopy and shelving**

Why Ra⁺ Ions?

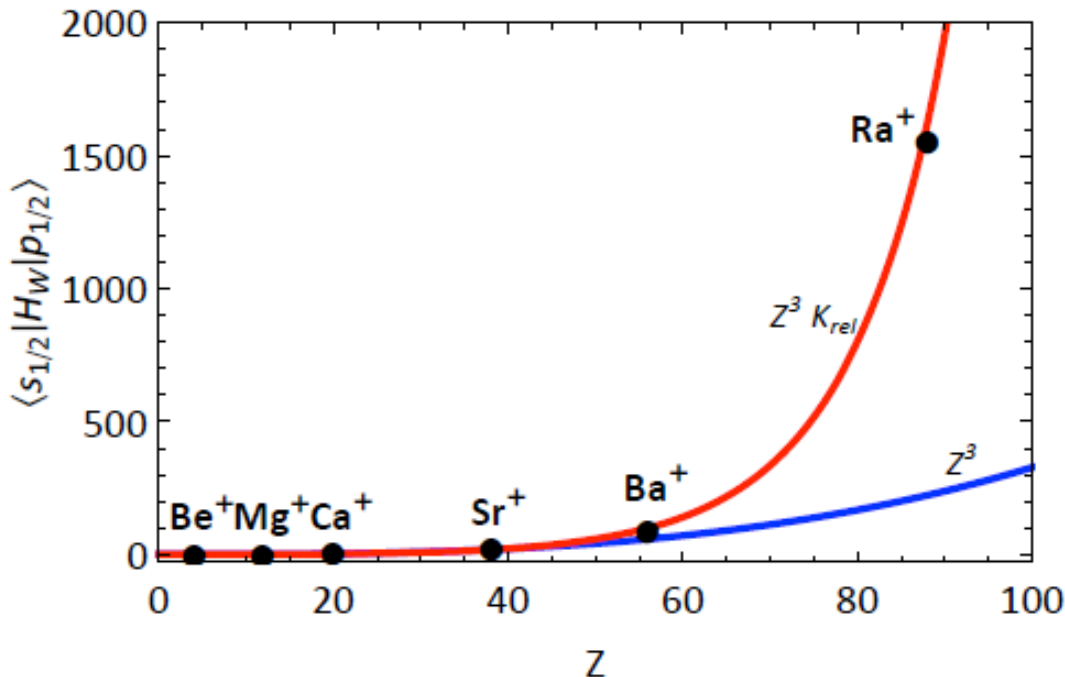


$$E1_{APV} = k Q_W$$

calculate atomic wavefunctions

S-S	S-D
Cs	Ba ⁺
0.9	2.2
Fr	Ra ⁺
14.2	46.4

Bouchiat & Bouchiat (1974): “stronger than Z^3 -law”



Ra⁺ is a superior APV candidate

50x more sensitive to APV than current best measurement in Cs

The effect in Ra⁺ is 20 times larger than for Ba⁺, and 50 times larger than for Cs

Calculations:

$$k_{Ra} = 46.4(1.4) \cdot 10^{-11} \text{iea}_0 / N^*$$

$$k_{Cs} = 0.8906(26) \cdot 10^{-11} \text{iea}_0 / N^{**}$$

*L.W. Wansbeek *et al.*, Phys. Rev. A **78**, (2008)

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APV Experiment in Ra^+ Ions

$$E1_{APV} = k Q_W$$

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Radium Spectroscopy and Theory:

- ✓ Ra Ions production
- ✓ Laser spectroscopy of Ra Ions
- ✓ Atomic wavefunctions calculations

$E1_{APV}$ measurement:

- ✓ Trapped and laser cooled ions
 - ✓ Single ion detection and spectroscopy
 - ✓ Localize ions
- Parity violation measurement

Theses:

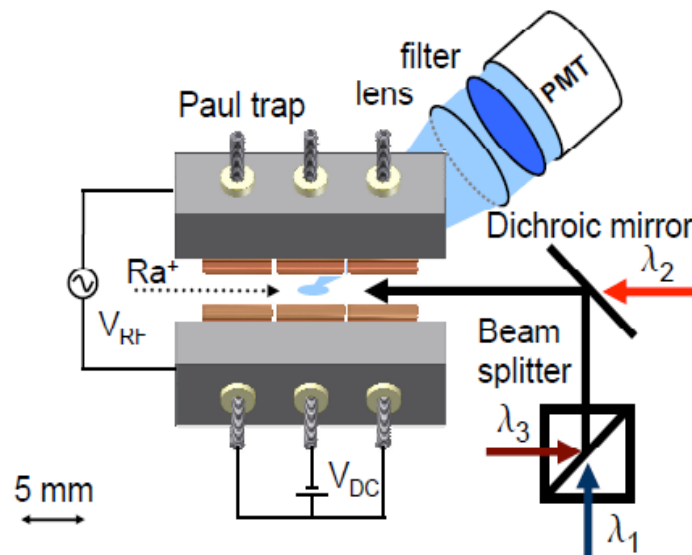
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- ✓ done
- ✓ work in progress

Ra Ion Source

Isotope	I	$T_{1/2}$ [s]	Production Method	Production [ions/s]	Estimated No. trapped ions
^{209}Ra	5/2	4.6(1.5)	Tri μp Facility	200	40
^{210}Ra	0	3.66(18)	Tri μp Facility	500	75
^{211}Ra	5/2	12.61(5)	Tri μp Facility	1 000	1 200
^{212}Ra	0	12.5(1.0)	Tri μp Facility	800	1000
^{213}Ra	1/2	162.0(1.7)	Tri μp Facility	2 600	10 000
^{214}Ra	0	2.42(14)	Tri μp Facility	1 000	100
^{225}Ra	1/2	14.9(2)d	off line source		few
^{226}Ra	0	1 600(7)y	off line source		few

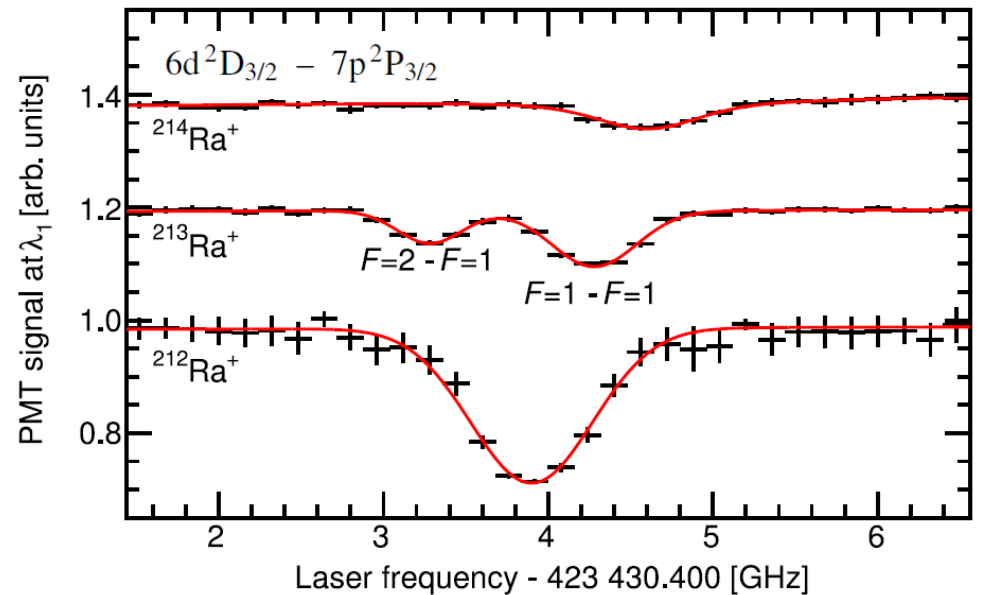
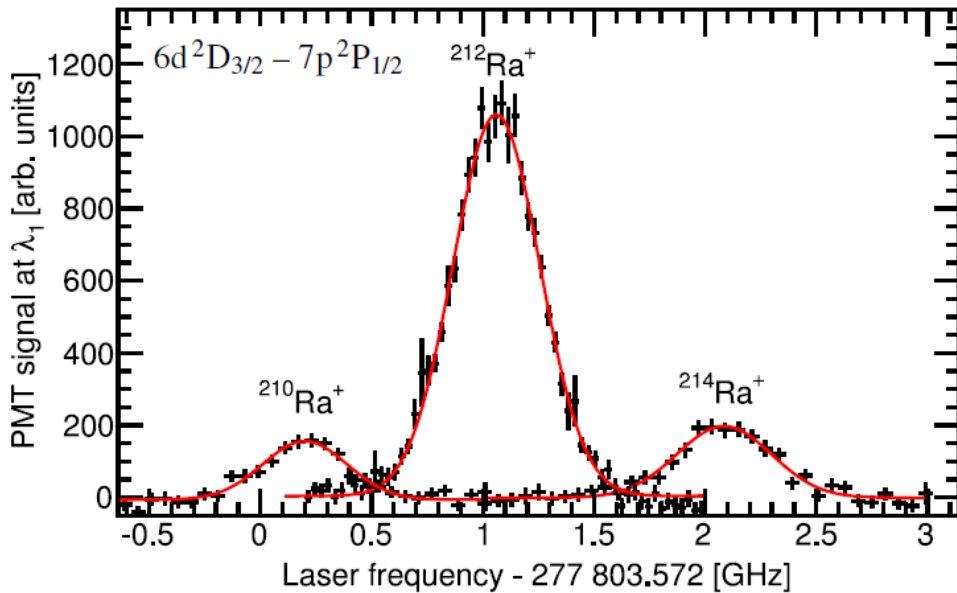
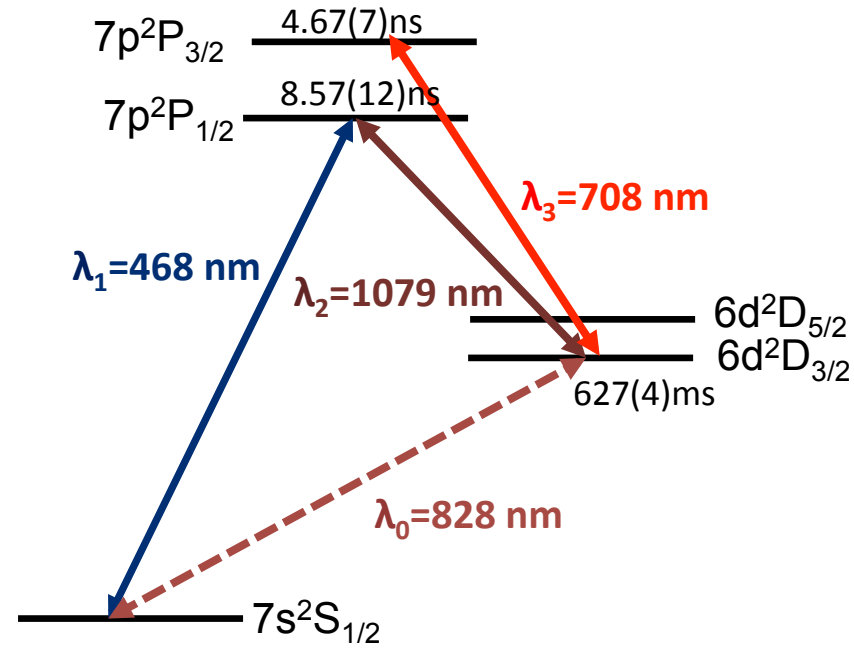
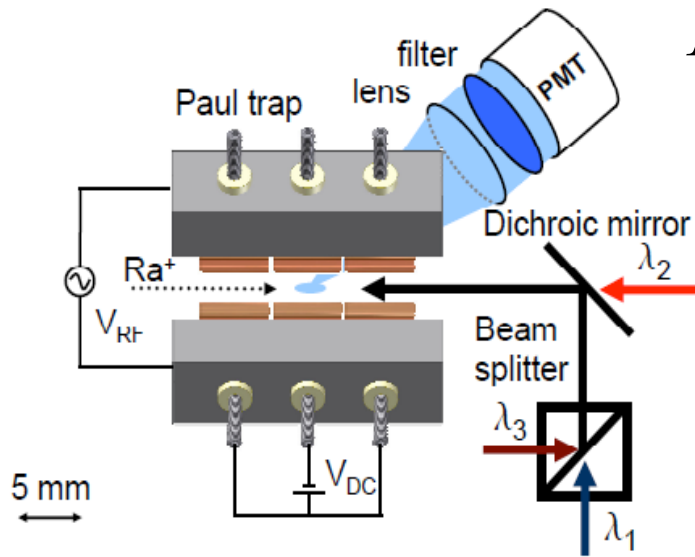
$\Delta N > 10$



Laser Spectroscopy in Ra⁺ ions

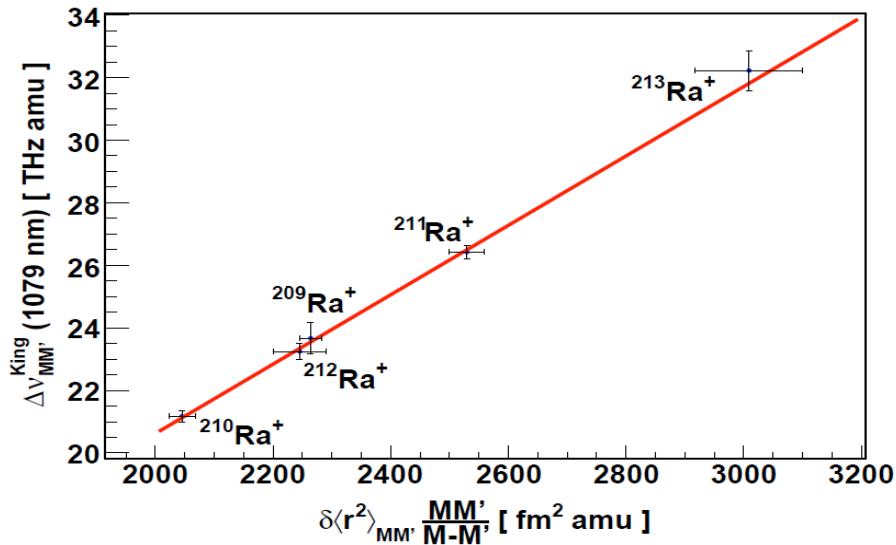
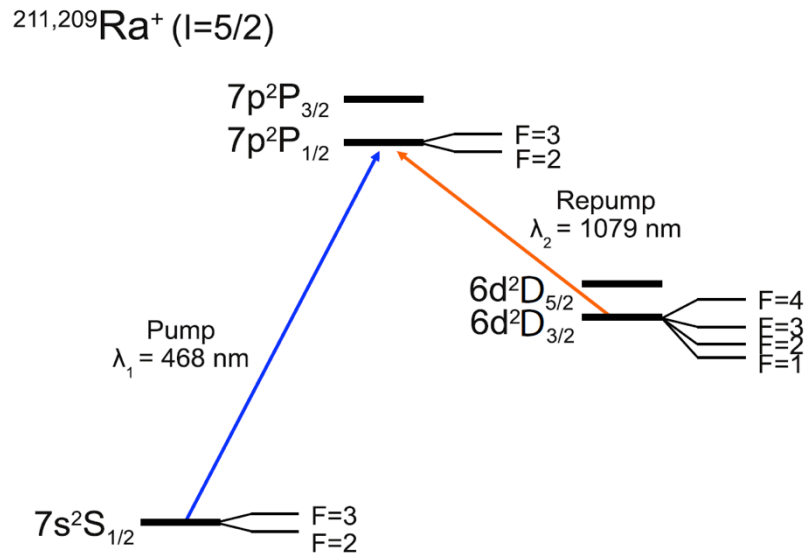
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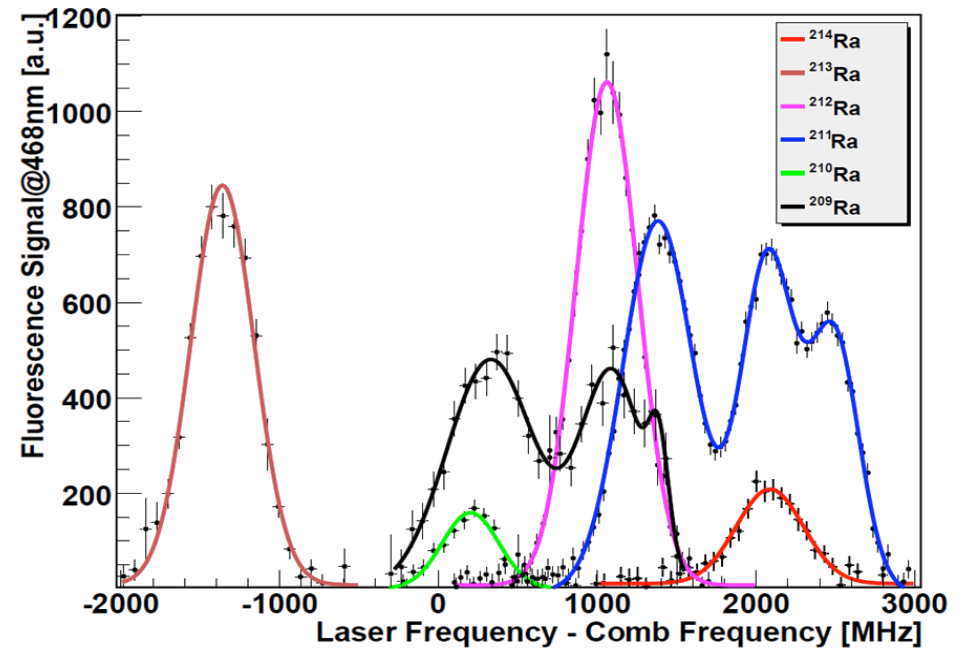


Laser Spectroscopy in Ra⁺ ions

6d²D_{3/2} HFS measurement



Probe of atomic theory & size and shape of the nucleus



Probe of atomic wave functions at the origin

		This work (MHz)	Theory (MHz)
²¹¹ Ra ⁺	A	151(2)	155*, 150**
	B	103(6)	147(12)**
²⁰⁹ Ra ⁺	A	148(10)	153*, 148**
	B	104(38)	122(12)**

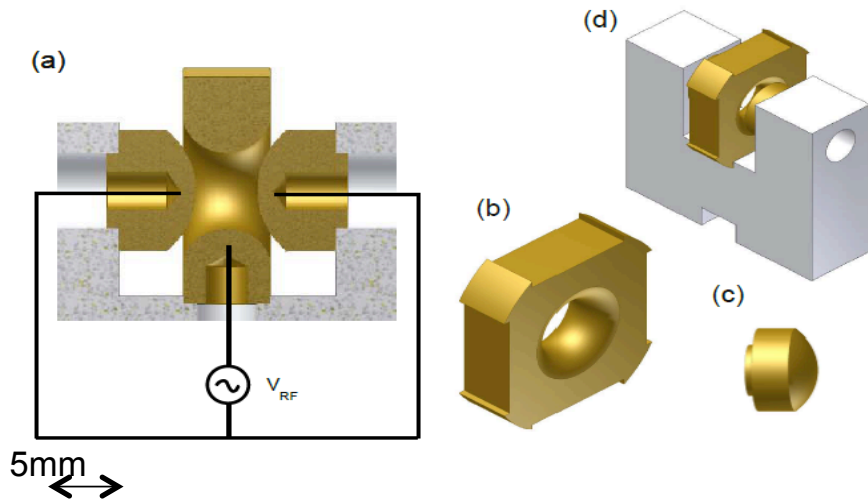
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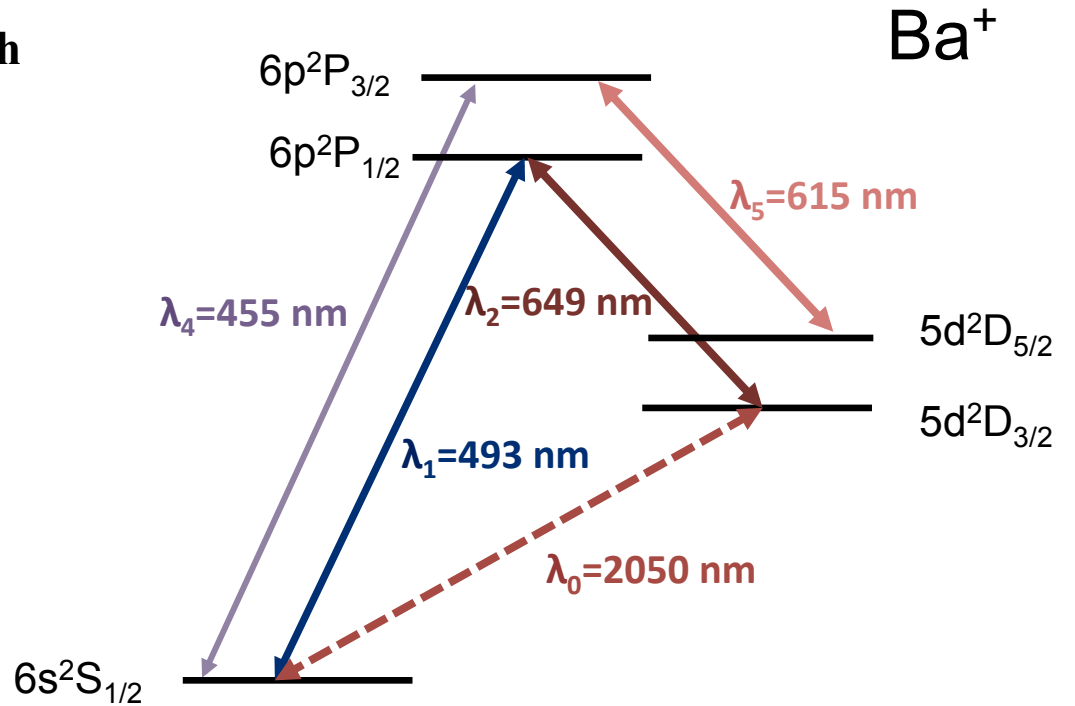
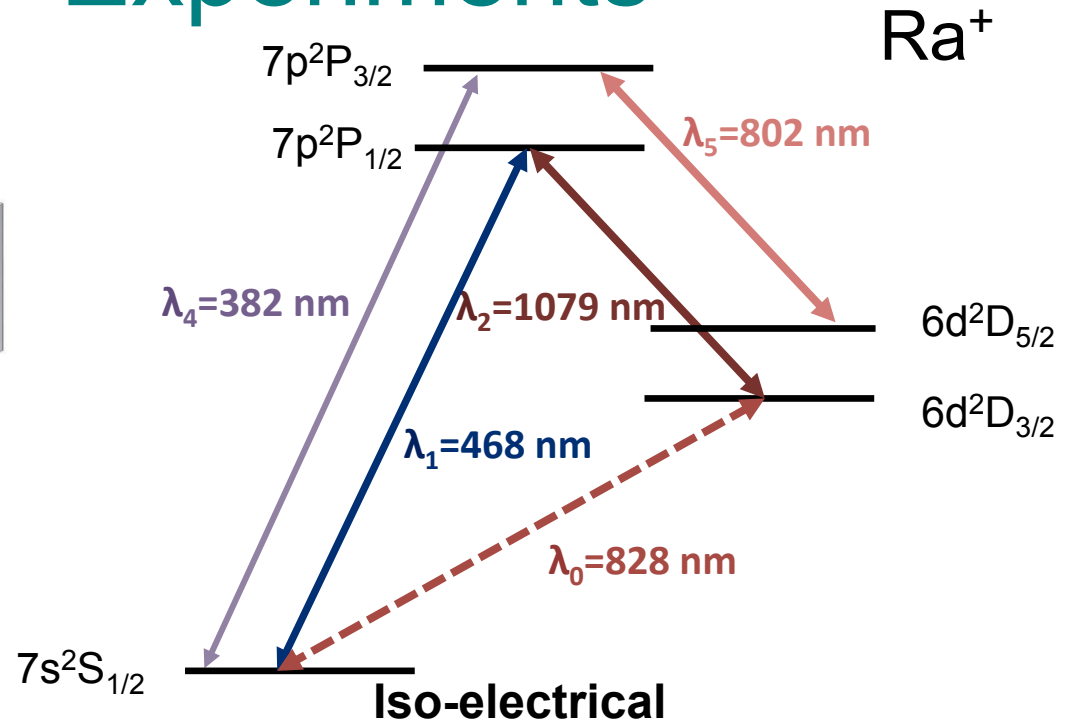
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Single Ra⁺ Experiments

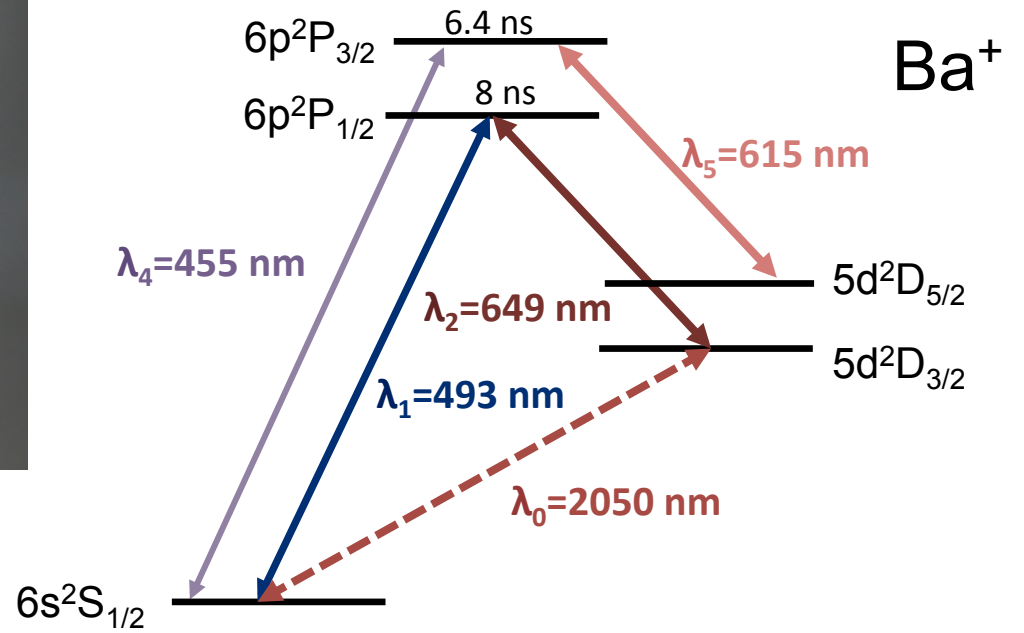
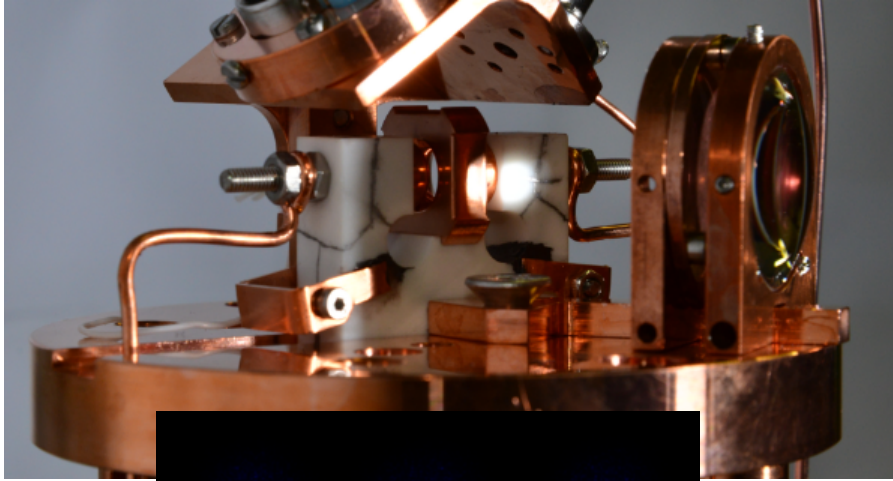


Hyperbolic Paul Trap

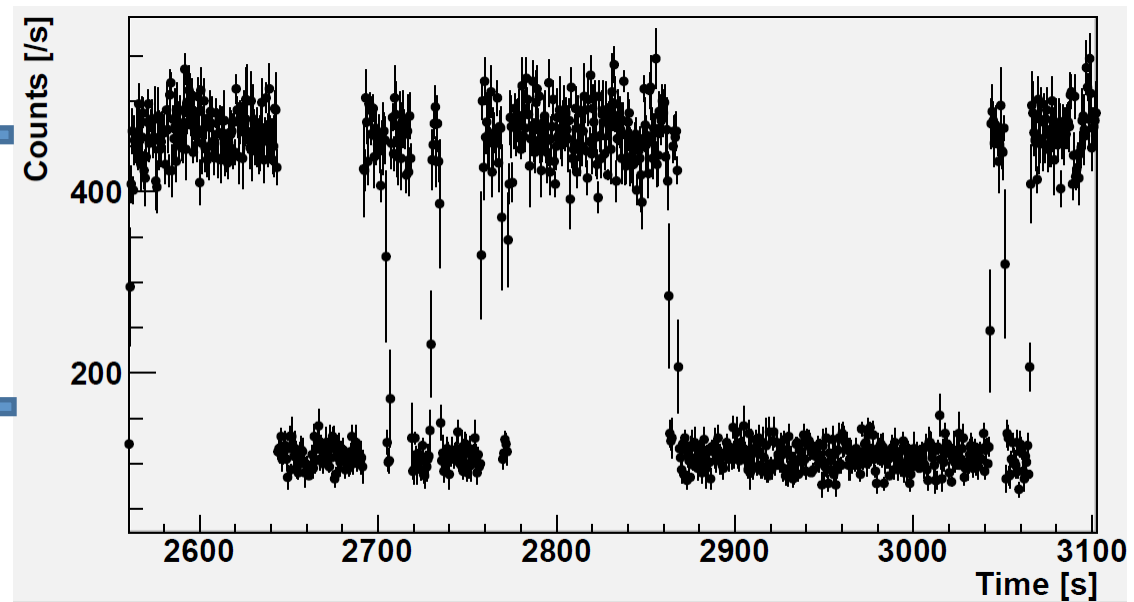
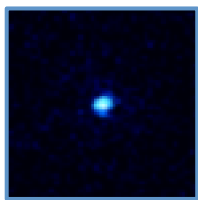
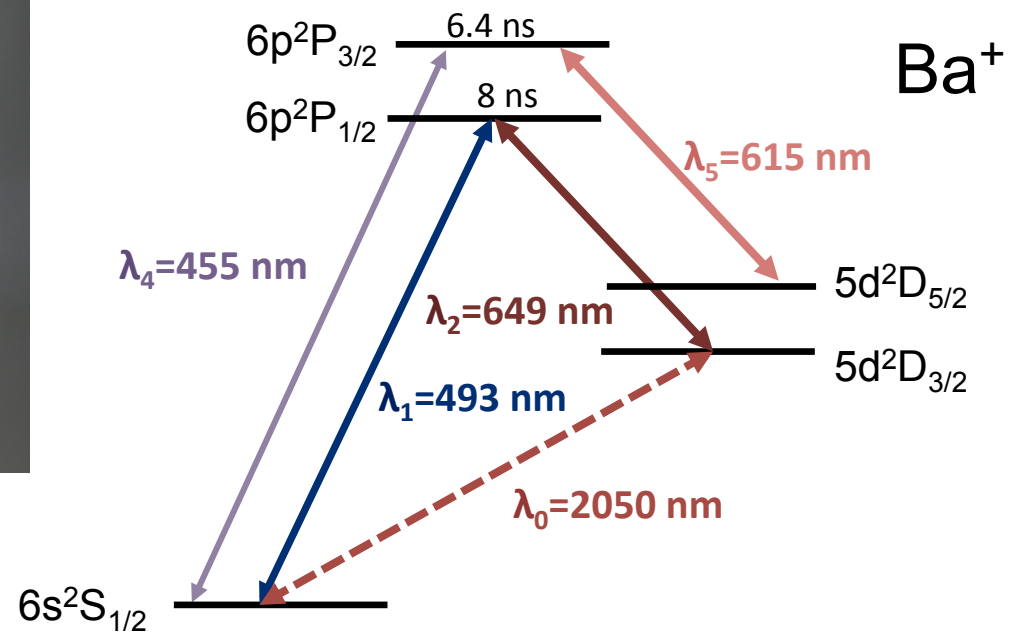
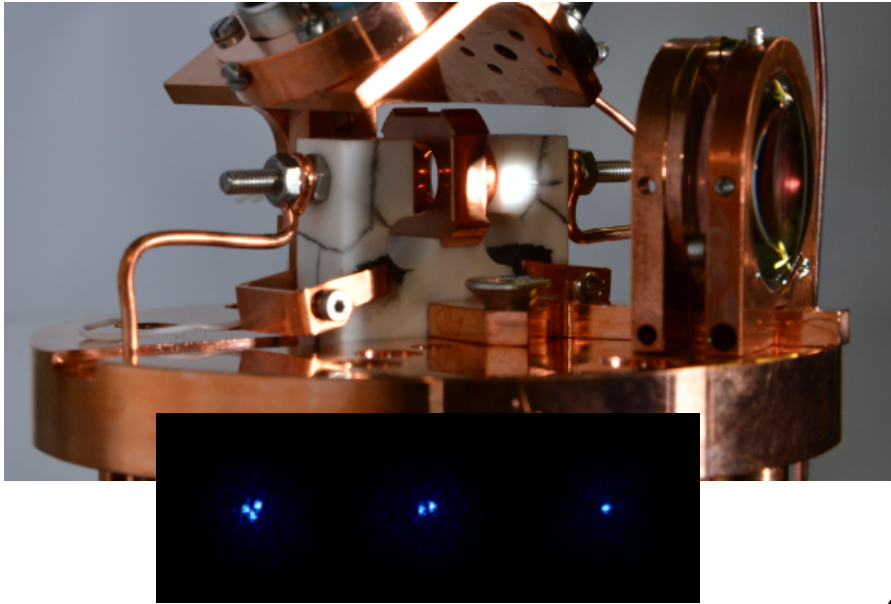
- localize one ion within one wavelength
- large volume
- hyperbolic shape
- localization major issue
- Ra⁺ trapping
- All diode lasers



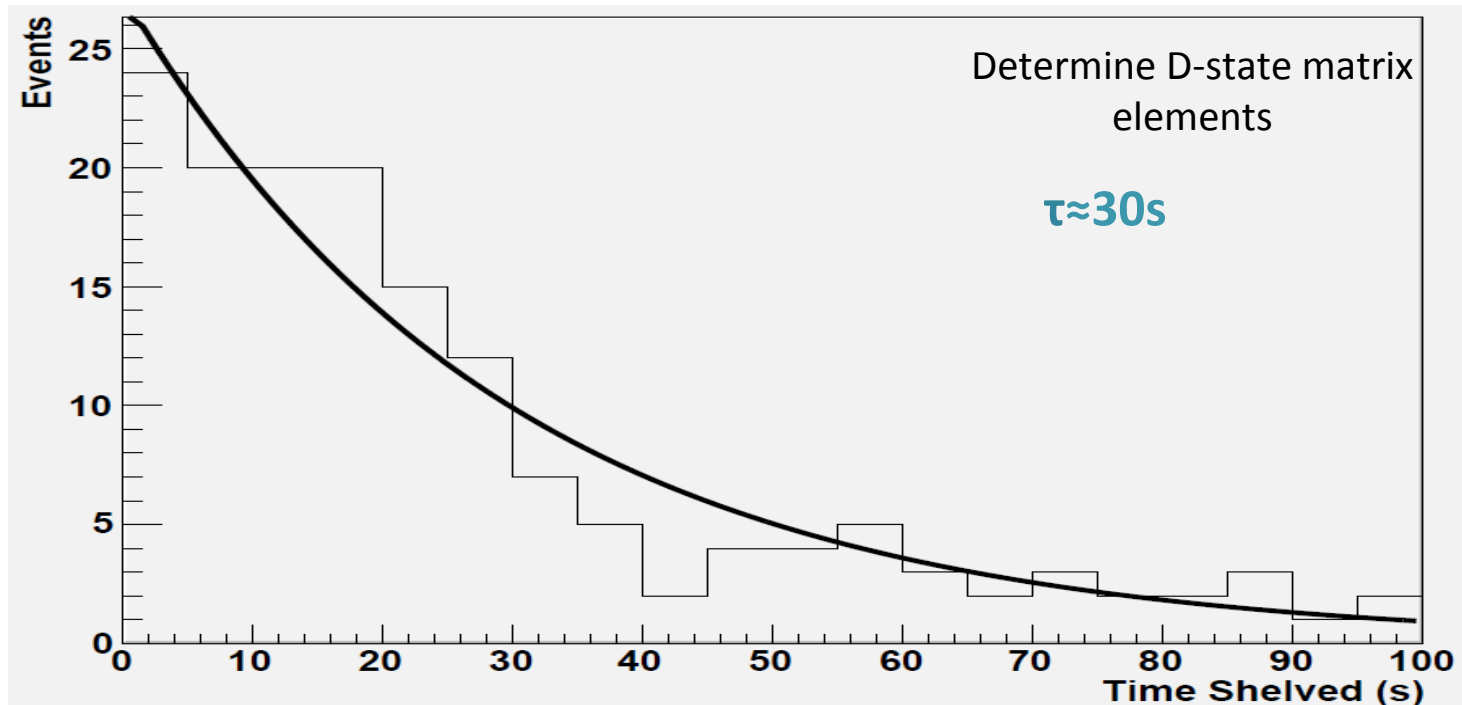
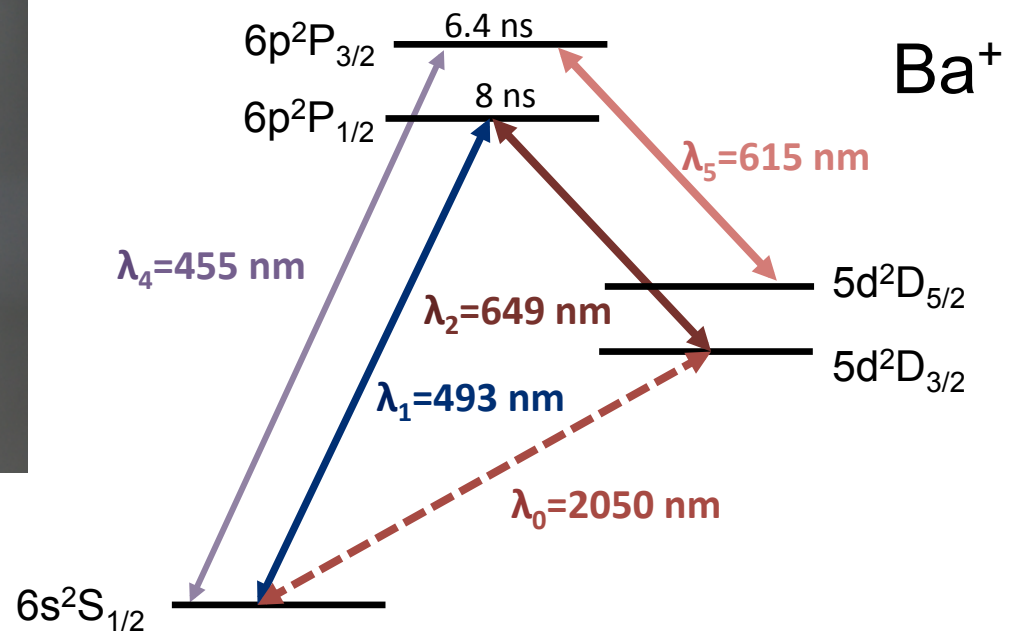
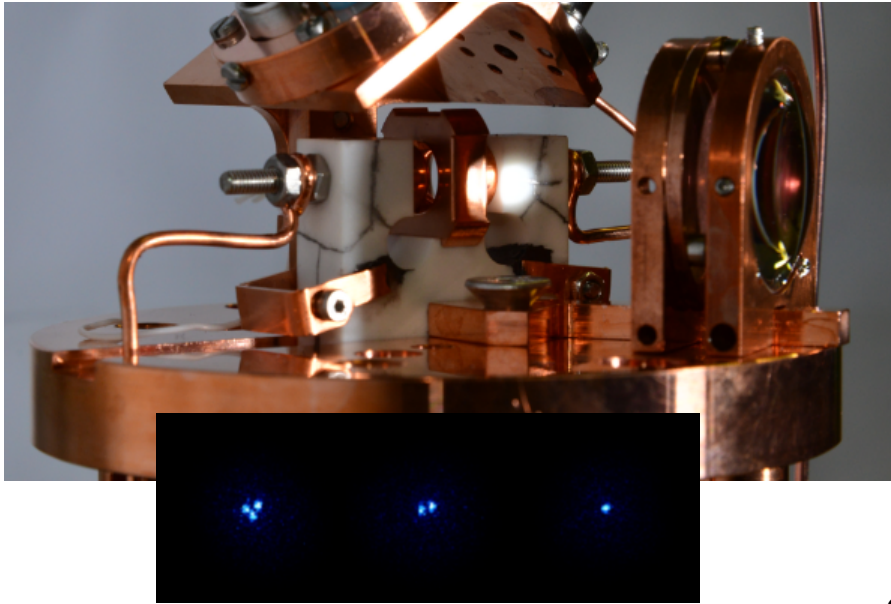
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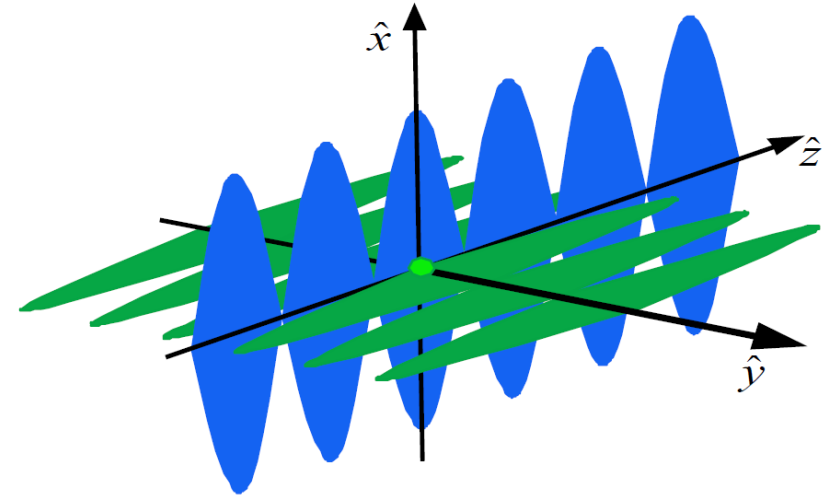
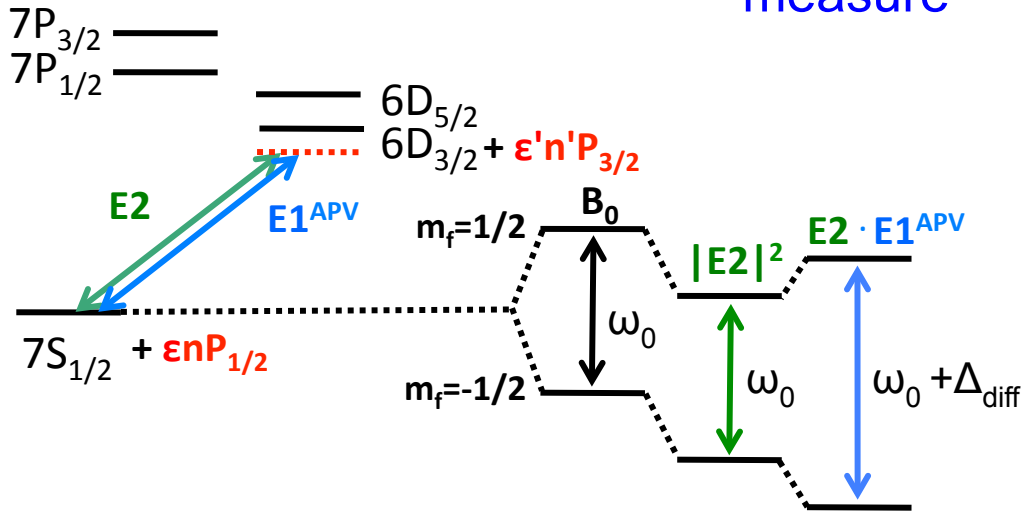
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Ba⁺ Experiment II: Light Shift

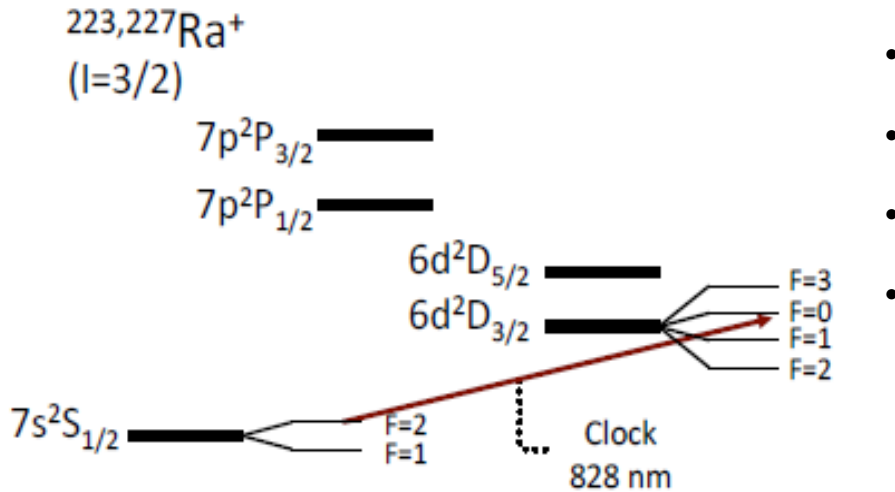
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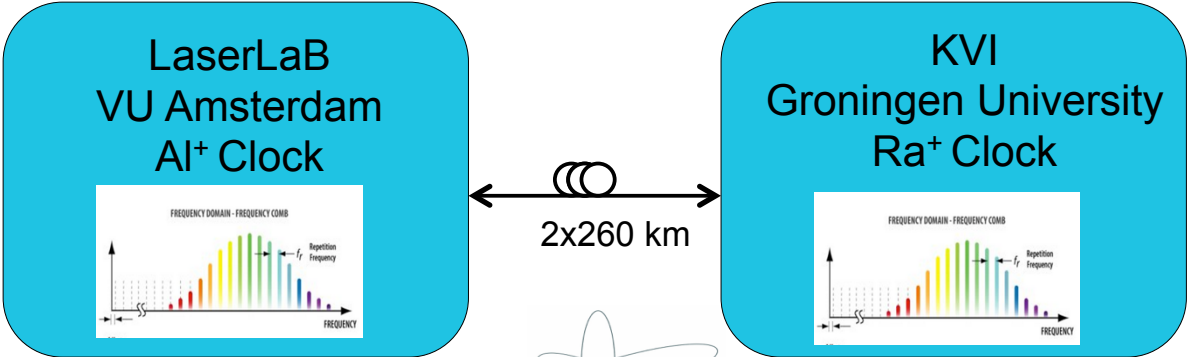
- Single ion localization $< \lambda$
- Cavity in vacuum
- Laser system: high power laser
- Work in progress with barium

Ra⁺ Ion Atomic Clock



- Narrow transition, ultra stable lasers
- Low sensitivity to external fields (for I=3/2)
- Time variation of fine structure constant
- Major systematics: Quadrupole shift

$\Delta\nu/\nu < 10^{-18}$
223Ra⁺ Atomic Clock



Program 2011-2017

Broken Mirrors and Drifting Constants

Conclusions

$$E1_{\text{APV}} = k Q_{\text{W}}$$

measure

Infer weak charge

calculate atomic wavefunctions

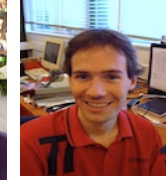
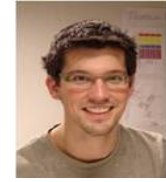
- ✓ Ra Ions production
- ✓ laser spectroscopy of Ra Ions
- ✓ trap ions
- ✓ laser cooling of trapped ions
- ✓ single ion detection and spectroscopy
- ✓ localize ions
- ✓ parity violation measurement

In 1 day, a 5-fold improvement over Cs appears feasible!

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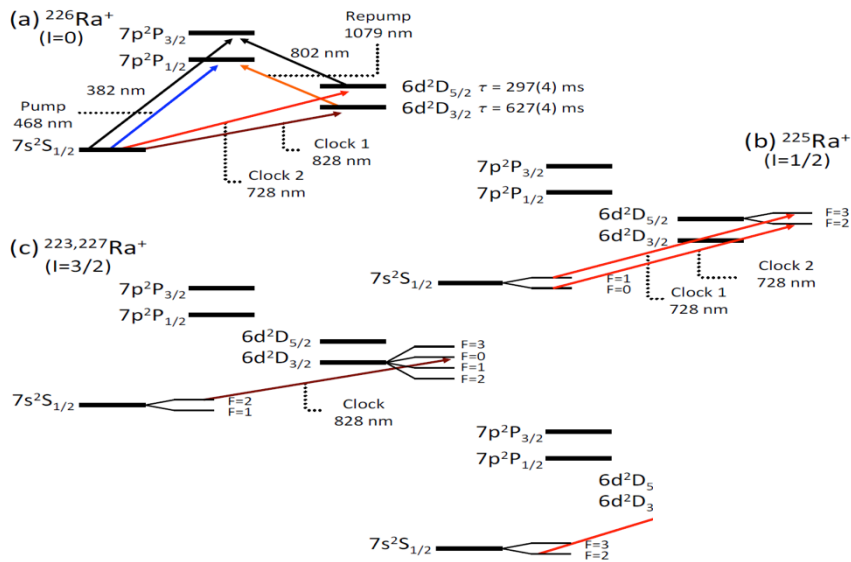
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- Low sensitivity to external fields (for $I=3/2$)
- Time variation of fine structure constant

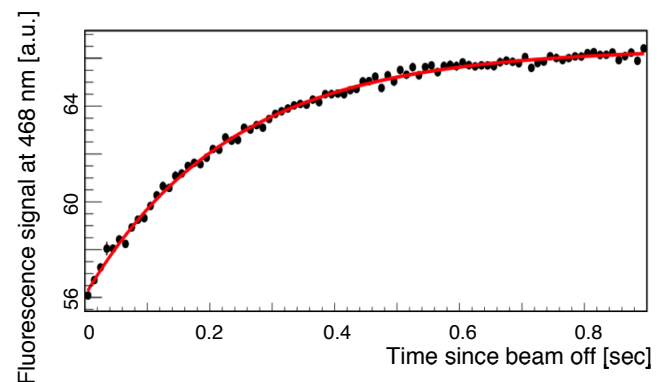
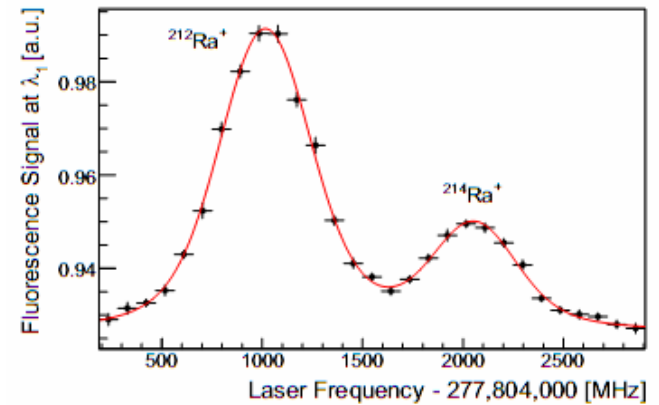
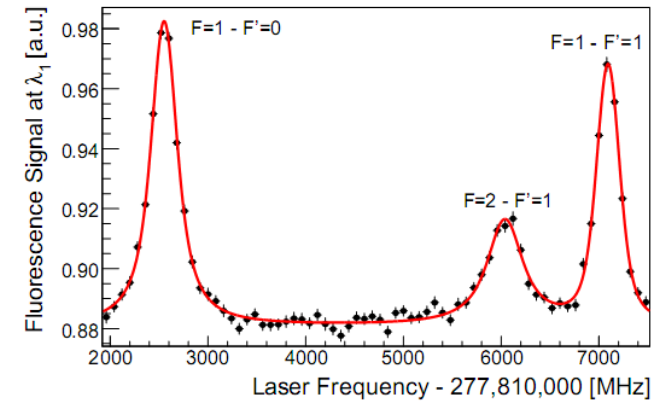
	Major systematics: Quadrupole shift	$d\alpha/dt$ relative strength	Atomic Parity Violation	Laser wavelength
²⁷ Al	$< 10^{-17}$ [Itano]	1 [Dzuba, Flambaum]	Z small	deep UV
¹⁹⁹ Hg	10^{-17} [Itano]	- 400 [Dzuba, Flambaum]	atomic theory difficult to treat	deep UV
²¹³ Ra	$< 10^{-18}$ [Sahoo]	+ 450 [Dzuba]	relativistic effects structure calculable	Visible/IR diode lasers

Ra⁺ measurements

Probe of atomic wave functions at the origin

Probe of atomic theory & size and shape of the nucleus

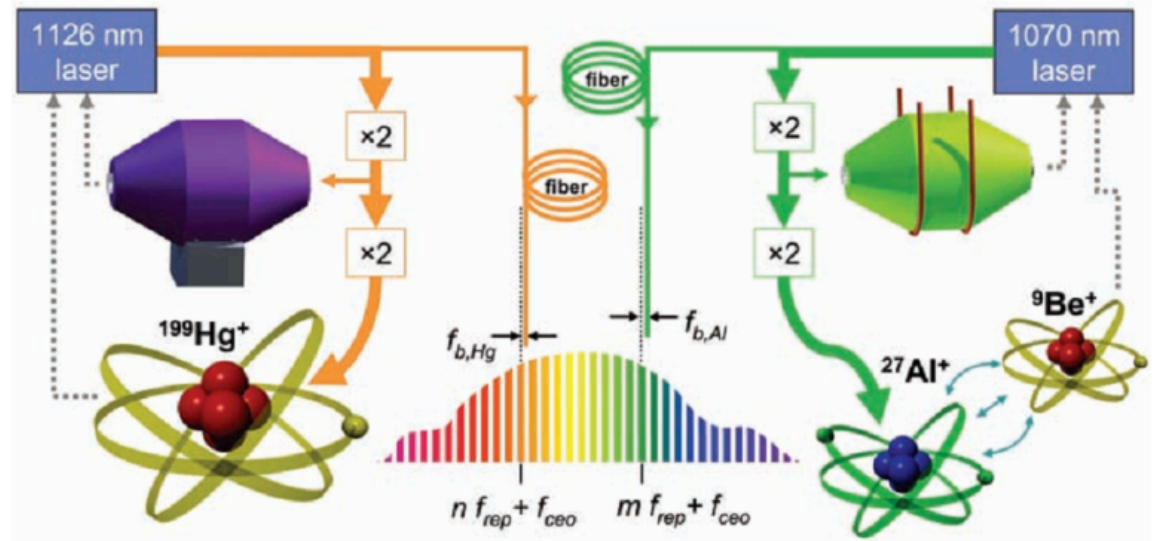
Probe of S-D E2 matrix element



agreement with theory at % level (Safronova, Sahoo Timmermans et al.)

Sensitivity to $\dot{\alpha}$

$$\frac{\dot{\nu}}{\nu} = A \frac{\dot{\alpha}}{\alpha}$$



Ion	A	Ref.	Transition
Sr+	0.43	[15]	$^2S_{1/2} - ^2D_{5/2}$
Hg+	-2.94	[15]	$^2S_{1/2} - ^2D_{5/2}$
In+	0.18	[18]	$S_0 - P_0$
Al+	0.008	[18]	$S_0 - P_0$
Ba+	2.52	[15]	$6^2S_{1/2} - 5^2D_{3/2}$
Ba+	2.44	[15]	$6^2S_{1/2} - 5^2D_{5/2}$
Ra+	3.00	[15]	$7^2S_{1/2} - 6^2D_{3/2}$
Ra+	2.77	[15]	$7^2S_{1/2} - 6^2D_{5/2}$

Accuracy of single ion Experiment

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}^{\text{PNC}}}{\delta\mathcal{E}^{\text{PNC}}} \cong \frac{\mathcal{E}^{\text{PNC}} E_0}{\hbar} f \sqrt{N\tau t}$$

E_0 = Light electric field amplitude, τ = Coherence time
 N = Number of ions = 1, t = Time of observation

	Coherence Time	Projected Accuracy	Measurement Time
Ba ⁺	80 sec	0.2%	1.1 day
Ra ⁺	0.6 sec	0.2%	1.4 day

→ 10 days for 5 fold improvement over Cs

