Hadronic Parity Violation and Neutron Capture Reactions

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Outline

PV and the hadronic weak interaction

Meson Exchange Picture

EFT and Hadronic PV

The Experimental Program

Shi-Lin Zhu, et al., Nuclear Physics A 748 (2005) 435–498 M.J. Ramsey Musolf and S. Page, Annu. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 2006. 56:1–52 C.-P. Liu, Nuclear Physics Phys. Rev. C 75, 065501 (2007) Parity violating processes between nucleons are used as a tool to study the hadronic weak interaction (HWI) as well as how it is modified by the strong interactions from the simple Standard Model prediction.

Two (common) ways to study HWI:

1. Flavor changing $\Delta S=1$ hyperon and meson decay

Decay amplitudes, asymmetries, ...

2. Flavor conserving $\Delta S=0$ PV interactions at low energy

Mostly asymmetries, analyzing power, rotation angles

Flavor changing decay of mesons and hyperons:

Much theoretical progress from EFT, χPT, heavy quark
 EFT

 Structure of operators from effective Lagrangians incorporate the symmetries of QCD

Not so, in hyperon decay:

Unresolved ∆I = ¹/₂ rule puzzle

 Anomalously large PV asymmetries in hyperon radiative decays

• Etc.

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Standard Model:
$$\mathcal{L}_W^{INT} = -\frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(J_C^{\mu\dagger} W_\mu + J_c^\mu W_\mu^\dagger \right) - \frac{g}{4\cos\theta_w} J_N^\mu Z_\mu$$

Charged currents:

$$J_C^{\mu} = \overline{\psi}_d \gamma^{\mu} (1 - \gamma_5) \psi_u \cos \theta_c + \overline{\psi}_s \gamma^{\mu} (1 - \gamma_5) \psi_u \sin \theta_c$$
$$-\overline{\psi}_d \gamma^{\mu} (1 - \gamma_5) \psi_c \sin \theta_c + \overline{\psi}_s \gamma^{\mu} (1 - \gamma_5) \psi_c \cos \theta_c$$

Neutral currents:

$$J_N^{\mu} = \overline{\psi}_u \gamma^{\mu} (1 - \frac{8}{3} \sin^2 \theta_w - \gamma_5) \psi_u + \overline{\psi}_c \gamma^{\mu} (1 - \frac{8}{3} \sin^2 \theta_w - \gamma_5) \psi_c$$
$$-\overline{\psi}_d \gamma^{\mu} (1 - \frac{4}{3} \sin^2 \theta_w - \gamma_5) \psi_d - \overline{\psi}_s \gamma^{\mu} (1 - \frac{4}{3} \sin^2 \theta_w - \gamma_5) \psi_s$$

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Neutral currents:

Goals of $\Delta S=0$ HWI studies:

1. Answer how the symmetries of QCD characterize the HWI in strongly interacting systems

> The HWI is just a residual effect of the q-q weak interaction for which the range is set by the mass of the Z, W bosons which is much smaller than the size of nucleons, as determined by QCD dynamics

HWI probes short range qq correlations at low energy

2. Shed light on the puzzles in the $\Delta S=1$ sector of the HWI

Applications of $\Delta S=0$ HWI studies:

- 1. Atomic Parity Violation (anapole moment)
- 2. Parity Violation in Nuclei
- 3. Parity Violating Electron Scattering

∆S=0 HWI studies:

The $\Delta S=0$ HWI can only be isolated experimentally via PV observables, to isolate the weak interaction from the much larger EM and strong interactions.

$$\frac{g_{W}}{\alpha M_{W}^{2}} \approx 10^{-4}$$

Weak e-N scale

$$\frac{g_W^2}{M_W^2} \cdot \frac{M_\pi^2}{g_{\pi NN}^2} \approx 10^{-7}$$

Weak N-N scale

Very challenging !

∆S=0 HWI studies:

So people started to look for nuclear many-body (large A) systems for which there exists some fortuitous enhancement of the size of the observable:

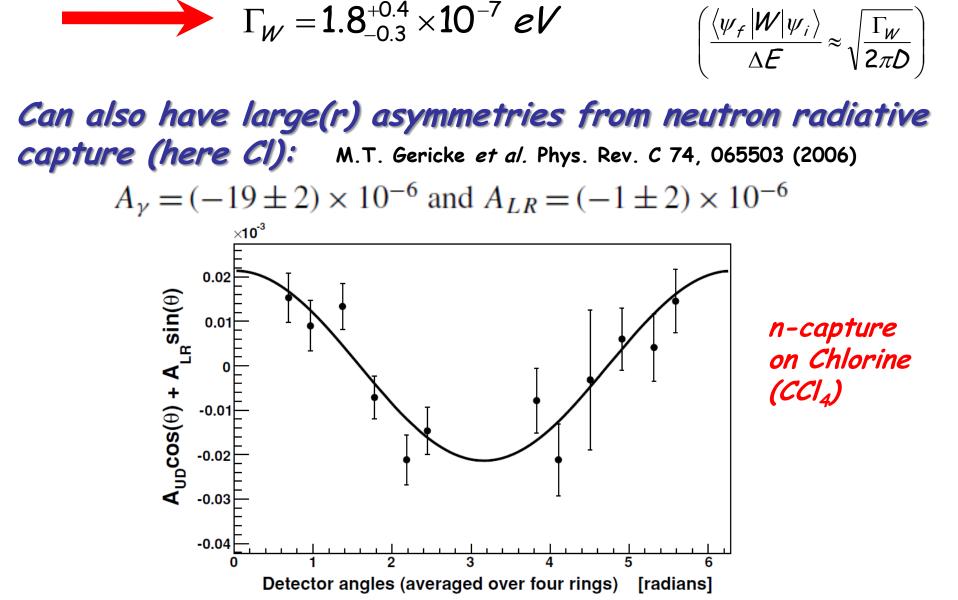


coming from nearly degenerate opposite parity state mixing and interference with the much larger parity allowed transition in nuclear excited states.

e.g. TRIPLE collaboration: parity violation in compound nuclei from neutron-nucleus resonant scattering with longitudinal cross section asymmetries of order 10^{-3} - 10^{-1} (up to 10^{-6} enhancement)

G.E. Mitchell et al. Phys. Rep. 354, 157 (2001)

You can get the weak spreading width (weak mixing amplitude) from statistical analysis of this data:



∆S=0 HWI studies:

However, many-body systems are hard to deal with when it comes to interpretation of the results in a nonstatistical fashion.

There is no transparent connection to the SM.



- No nuclear structure physics
- Low nucleon momentum (< ~40 MeV) allows for EFT momentum expansion
- But no enhancement of asymmetries



DDH Model - Benchmark

Calculated loter by

B. Desplanques, J.F. Donoghue, B.R. Holstein, Annals of Physics 124:449-495 (1980)

Arrive at 7 weak meson-nucleon couplings:

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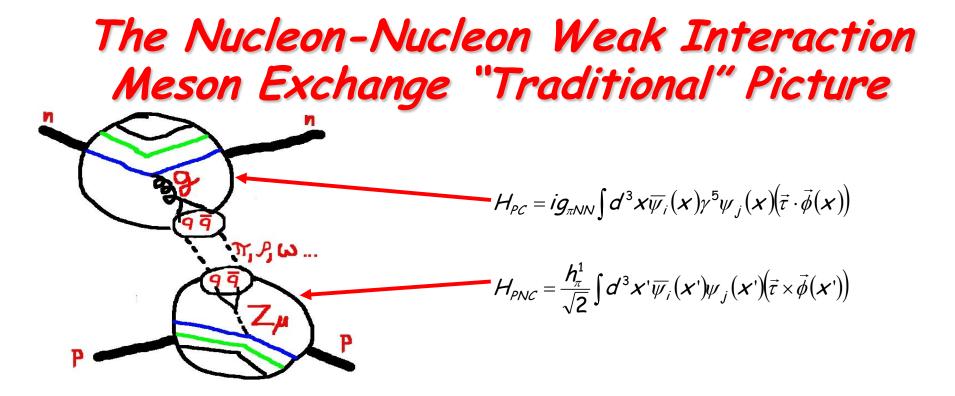
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	h_{π} , h_{p}	Holstein = 1.8 87		
PV coupling	DDH range	DDH best value	DZ	FCDH
h_{π}^1	$0 \rightarrow 30$	+12	+3	+7
$h^0_ ho$	$30 \rightarrow -81$	-30	-22	-10
$h^1_ ho$	$-1 \rightarrow 0$	-0.5	+1	-1
$h_{ ho}^2$	$-20 \rightarrow -29$	-25	-18	-18
h^0_ω	$15 \rightarrow -27$	-5	-10	-13
h^1_ω	$-5 \rightarrow -2$	-3	-6	-6

All values are quoted in units of $g_{\pi} = 3.8 \times 10^{-8}$.

DZ: Dubovik VM, Zenkin SV. Ann. Phys. 172:100 (1986)

FCDH: Feldman GB, Crawford GA, Dubach J, Holstein BR. Phys. Rev. C 43:863 (1991)



Solutions to the Lippmann-Schwinger equation – Essentially the first order term in a Born series:

$$\langle f | V_{PNC} | i \rangle = \langle N_f N_f | H_{PC} \frac{1}{E_0 - H_0 + i\varepsilon} H_{PNC} | N_i N_i \rangle \longrightarrow$$

$$\frac{ig_{\pi NN}h_{\pi}^{1}}{\sqrt{32}M}[\vec{\tau}_{1}\times\vec{\tau}_{2}]_{z}[\vec{\sigma}_{1}+\vec{\sigma}_{2}]\cdot\left[\vec{p},\frac{e^{-mr}}{4\pi r}\right]$$

Weak π -Nucleon Coupling (ρ, ω not shown)

Meson exchange picture cont.

$$\langle N_{f}N_{f}|H_{PC}\frac{1}{E_{0}-H_{0}+i\varepsilon}H_{PNC}|N_{i}N_{i}\rangle$$

$$=\sum_{I}\int \frac{d^{3}k}{(2\pi)^{3}} \langle N_{f} | \mathcal{S} | N_{i}, \pi_{I}(k) \rangle \frac{1}{\omega_{k}} \langle N_{f}, \pi_{I}(k) | \mathcal{S} | N_{i} \rangle$$

Meson exchange picture cont. $\langle N_f N_f | H_{PC} \frac{1}{E_0 - H_0 + i\varepsilon} H_{PNC} | N_i N_i \rangle$ $=\sum_{I}\int \frac{d^{3}k}{(2\pi)^{3}} \langle N_{f} | S | N_{i}, \pi_{I}(k) \rangle \frac{1}{\omega_{L}} \langle N_{f}, \pi_{I}(k) | S | N_{i} \rangle$ Relationship to quark degrees of freedom: $S = \frac{i}{2} \int dt_1 \int dt_2 \int dt_3 \left\{ \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{W}}^{\mathcal{I}}(t_1) \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{W}}^{\mathcal{I}}(t_2) \mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}}^{\mathcal{I}}(t_3) \right\}$ $\mathcal{H}_{W}^{I} = \int d^{3}x \left| \frac{g}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(\mathcal{J}_{C}^{\mu^{*}} \mathcal{W}_{\mu} + \mathcal{J}_{C}^{\mu} \mathcal{W}_{\mu}^{*} \right) + \frac{g}{4\cos\theta_{\mu}} \mathcal{J}_{N}^{\mu} \mathcal{Z}_{\mu} \right|$ $\mathcal{H}_{\mathcal{S}}^{I} = -\int d^{3}x \int d^{3}y \int dt_{v} \left[\mathcal{J}_{\mathcal{S}}f(x,y) \delta(t_{x} - t_{v}) \right]$

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DDH use SU(6), quark model, and measured hyperon decay amplitudes instead !

DDH Model - Benchmark

In general, a measured PV NN observable can be expanded in terms of these:

$$\mathcal{O}_{PV} = a_{\pi}^{1}h_{\pi}^{1} + a_{\rho}^{0}h_{\rho}^{0} + a_{\rho}^{1}h_{\rho}^{1} + a_{\rho}^{2}h_{\rho}^{2} + a_{\omega}^{0}h_{\omega}^{0} + a_{\omega}^{1}h_{\omega}^{1}$$

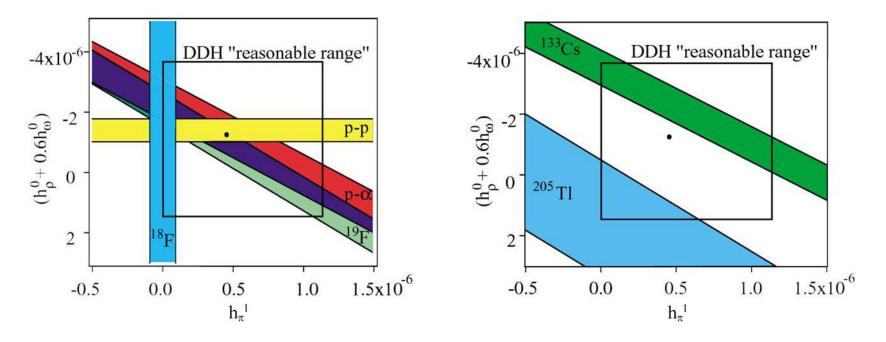
E. G. Adelberger and W. C. Haxton, Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 35, 501 (1985).

DDH Weak Coupling	$(A_{\gamma}) np \rightarrow d\gamma$	(A_{γ}) nd $\rightarrow t\gamma$	(φ _{PV}) n-p (μrad/m)	(φ_{PV}) n- α (μ rad/m)	$\left(\frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma}\right) p - p$	$\left(\frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma}\right) p - \alpha$	$(A^{p}_{Z}) n^{3}He \rightarrow tp$
a ¹	-0.107	-0.92	-3.12	-0.97	0	-0.340	-0.189
$a_{ ho}^{o}$	0	-0.50	-0.23	-0.32	0.079	0.140	-0.036
a_{ρ}^{1}	-0.001	0.103	0	0.11	0.079	0.047	0.019
a_{ρ}^{2}	0	0.053	-0.25	0	0.032	0	0.0006
	0	-0.160	-0.23	-0.22	-0.073	0.059	-0.033
	0.003	0.002	0	0.22	0.073	0.059	0.041

Viviani *et al.* PRC 044001 Experimental results generally agree with the DDH ranges, but:

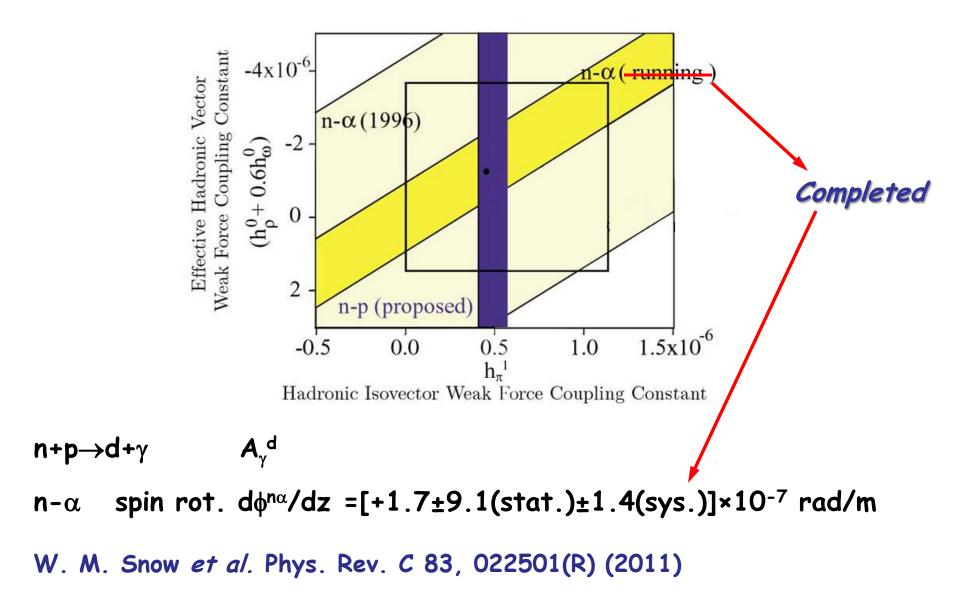
Uncertainties are large

Some experimental results produce conflicting values for coupling constants (e.g. Values for h_π¹ from ¹⁸F and ¹³³Cs differ by several σ)



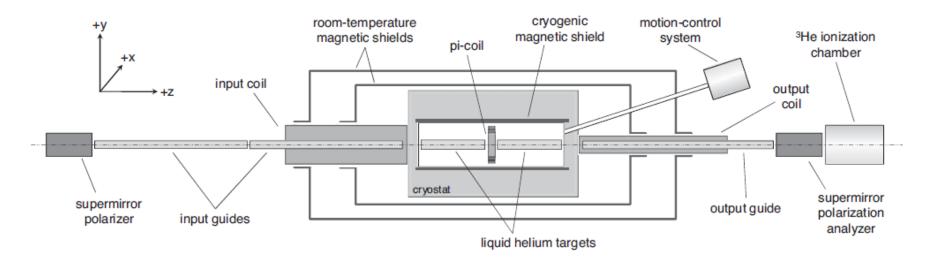
p-p scat. 15, 45 MeV A_z^{pp} p-p scat. 221 MeV A_z^{pp} p- α scat. 46 MeV A_z^{pp}

¹³³Cs, ²⁰⁵Tl anapole moments



n⁴He Spin Rotation

NIST Experiment:



- Vertically polarized neutrons
- Enter liquid helium target with four chambers
- Neutrons rotate in helium in a spin dependent way
- Neutrons are rotated in the x-y plane after acquiring the PV rotation
- Neutrons are analyzed in another supermirror polarizer
- Transmitted neutrons are detected in the ion chamber

$$\frac{N_+ - N_-}{N_+ + N_-} = \langle PA \sin \phi \rangle$$

EFT Calculations (Upshot)

The $\Delta S=0$ HWI can be parameterized in terms of 5 (8 with pions) low energy phenomenological constants.

At very low momenta (< ~50 MeV) the constants essentially reduce to the 5 Danilov parameters:

 $\longrightarrow \lambda_{s}^{0}, \lambda_{s}^{1}, \lambda_{s}^{2}, \lambda_{t}, \rho_{t}$

originally determined from NN scattering theory (Born approximation) write down simplest S-P amplitudes with PV and CP cons. amplitudes in addition to singlet and triplet strong ...

At higher momentum include explicit pions.

EFT Calculations

Write down 12 possible general P violating and CP conserving currentcurrent terms with all isospin changes up to $\Delta I=2$:

$$\mathcal{O}_{1} = \frac{\mathcal{G}_{1}}{\Lambda_{\chi}^{2}} \overline{\psi}_{N} \mathbf{1} \gamma_{\mu} \psi_{N} \overline{\psi}_{N} \mathbf{1} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma_{5} \psi_{N} \qquad \mathcal{O}_{2} = \frac{\mathcal{G}_{2}}{\Lambda_{\chi}^{2}} \overline{\psi}_{N} \mathbf{1} \gamma_{\mu} \psi_{N} \overline{\psi}_{N} \tau_{3} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma_{5} \psi_{N}$$

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_{1} = \frac{\mathcal{G}_{1}}{\Lambda_{\chi}^{3}} \overline{\psi}_{N} \mathbf{1} i \sigma_{\mu\nu} q^{\nu} \gamma_{\mu} \psi_{N} \overline{\psi}_{N} \tau_{3} \gamma^{\mu} \gamma_{5} \psi_{N} \bullet \bullet \bullet \quad \text{etc...}$$

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The NN contact potentials are expressed in terms of 12 parameters, but no mesons:

$$C_{1-5} = \frac{\Lambda_{\chi}}{2m_{N}}g_{1-5}$$
 , $\tilde{C}_{1-5} = \tilde{g}_{1-5} + \frac{\Lambda_{\chi}}{2m_{N}}g_{1-5}$

$$\mathcal{C}_6 = \widetilde{\mathcal{G}}_6 - \frac{\Lambda_{\chi}}{2m_N} \mathcal{G}_6$$

Shi-Lin Zhu, et al. , Nuclear Physics A 748 (2005) 435-498

Appropriate linear combinations of these reproduce the 5 Danilov coupling constants to be determined by experiment:

$$\begin{split} \lambda_{t} \propto (\mathcal{C}_{1} - 3\mathcal{C}_{3}) - \left(\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{1}^{-} - 3\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{3}^{-}\right) \\ \lambda_{s}^{0} \propto (\mathcal{C}_{1} + \mathcal{C}_{3}) + \left(\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{1}^{-} + \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{3}^{-}\right) & {}^{3}\mathcal{S}_{1} \rightarrow {}^{1}\mathcal{P}_{1}^{-} \quad I = 0 \\ \lambda_{s}^{1} \propto (\mathcal{C}_{2} + \mathcal{C}_{4}) + \left(\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{2}^{-} + \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{4}^{-}\right) & {}^{1}\mathcal{S}_{0} \rightarrow {}^{3}\mathcal{P}_{0}^{-} \quad I = 1 \\ \lambda_{s}^{2} \propto -\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}} \left(\mathcal{C}_{5} + \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_{5}^{-}\right) \\ \rho_{t} \propto \frac{1}{2} \left(\mathcal{C}_{2} - \mathcal{C}_{4}^{-}\right) + \mathcal{C}_{6} & {}^{3}\mathcal{S}_{1} \rightarrow {}^{3}\mathcal{P}_{1}^{-} \quad I = 1 \rightarrow 0 \\ \lambda_{s}^{pp} = \lambda_{s}^{0} + \lambda_{s}^{1} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \lambda_{s}^{2} \\ \lambda_{s}^{np} = \lambda_{s}^{0} - \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \lambda_{s}^{2} \\ \lambda_{s}^{nn} = \lambda_{s}^{0} - \lambda_{s}^{1} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \lambda_{s}^{2} \end{split}$$

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We need at least 5 (8) few body experiments to completely determine the EFT parameters.

Some have already been done:

Longitudinal Asymmetries in PV proton scattering:

 $A_{L}^{pp}(13.6 \text{ MeV}) = -(0.93 \pm 0.20 \pm 0.05) \times 10^{-7} = -0.48 \lambda_{s}^{pp} m_{N}$

Bonn: P.D. Evershiem et al. Phys. Lett. 256 (1991) 11

$$A_{L}^{pp}(45 MeV) = -(1.5 \pm 0.22) \times 10^{-7} = -0.82 \lambda_{s}^{pp} m_{N}$$

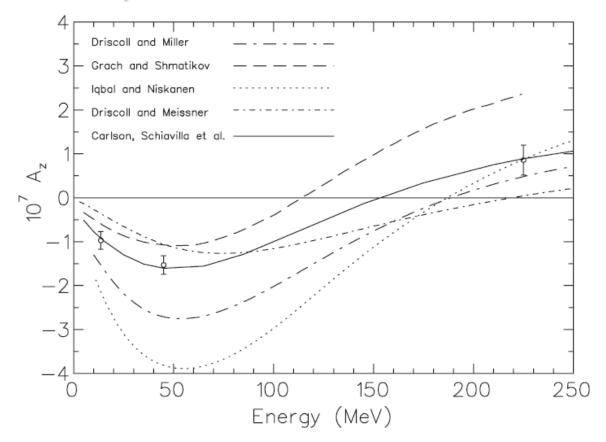
PSI: S. Kistryn *et al.* Phys. Lett. 58 (1987) 1616 R. Balzer *et al. Phys. Rev. C. 30 (1984) 1409*

$$\mathcal{A}_{L}^{p\alpha}(46 \text{ MeV}) = -(3.3 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-7} = \left[-0.48 \left(\lambda_{s}^{pp} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{s}^{np} \right) - 0.107 \left(\rho_{t} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{t} \right) \right] m_{N}$$

Bonn: J. Lang et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 54 (1985) 170

Experimental Program The TRIUMF 220 MeV pp experiment $A_L^{pp}(221 \text{ MeV}) = -(0.84 \pm 0.29 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-7} \propto h_{\omega}^{0} + h_{\omega}^{1} \equiv h_{\omega}^{PP}$ TRIUMF: A.R. Berdoz *et al.* Phys. Rev. C 68 034004 (2003) Of order Q³ in EFT

- no calculation yet ?



New experiments (or repeats):

> Neutron capture:

Circ. Polarization:

 $P_{\gamma} = (0.63\lambda_{\tau} - 0.16\lambda_{s}^{np})m_{N} \quad \text{Very challenging!}$

Gamma Asymmetry in np radiative capture:

 $A_{\gamma} = -0.107 \rho_{\tau} m_{N}$ LANSCE compl. SNS 2010

Gamma Asymmetry in nd radiative capture:

 $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{F}} = \left(1.42\rho_t + 0.59\lambda_s^{nn} + 1.18\lambda_t + 0.51\lambda_s^{np}\right)m_{\mathcal{N}} \quad \text{Hard, SNS planned}$

Proton Asymmetry in n³He capture

 $A_{z}^{p} = (?)m_{\Lambda}$, Relatively easy, SNS approved ~2011

New experiments (or repeats):

> Neutron spin rotation:

In helium:

$$\frac{d\phi^{n\alpha}}{dz} = \left[1.2\left(\lambda_{s}^{nn} + \frac{1}{2}\lambda_{s}^{np}\right) - 2.68\left(\rho_{t} - \frac{1}{2}\lambda_{t}\right)\right]m_{N}\left[\frac{rad}{m}\right]$$

W.M. Snow *et al*, Completed (NIST)

In hydrogen LH2

$$\frac{d\phi^{np}}{dz} = \left[0.45\lambda_s^{nn} + 1.28\lambda_s^{np} + 0.45\lambda_s^{pp} + 1.26\rho_t - 0.63\lambda_t\right]m_N\left[\frac{rad}{m}\right]$$

SNS planned

New experiments:

>Longitudinal asymmetry in proton scattering:

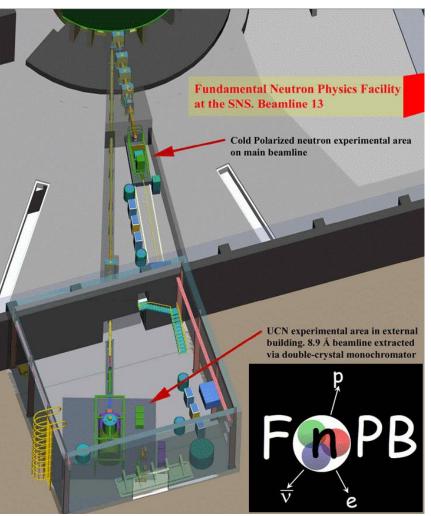
• **p-d**: $A_{L}^{pd}(15 \text{ MeV}) = \left(-0.21\rho_{t} - 0.07\lambda_{s}^{pp} - 0.13\lambda_{t} + 0.04\lambda_{s}^{np}\right)m_{N}$

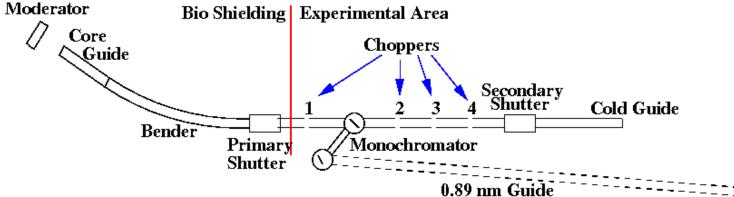
Spallation Neutron Source (SNS)



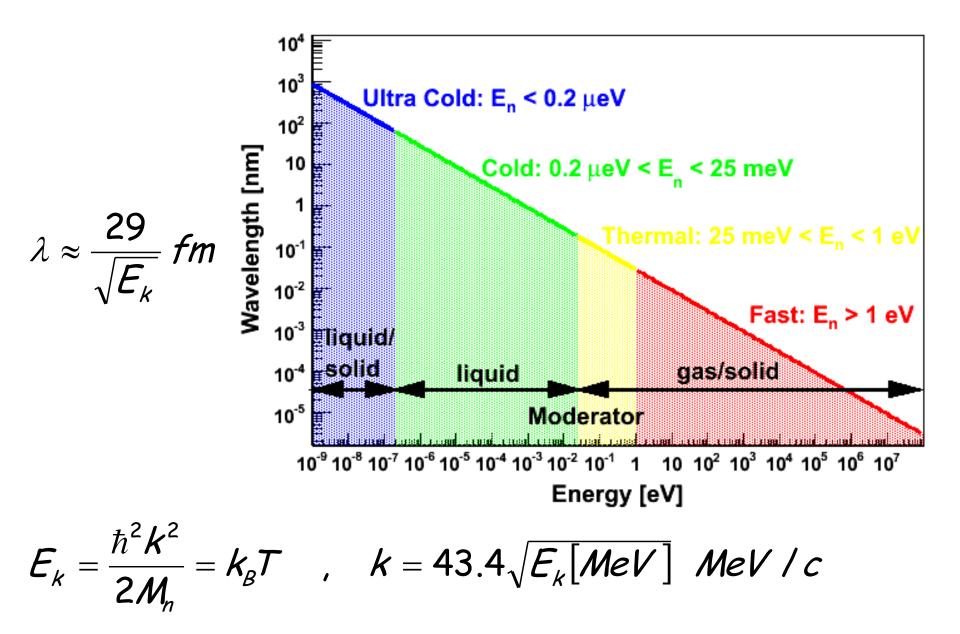
The Fundamental Neutron Physics Beam (FnPB)

- LH2 moderator
- 15 m long guide ~ 18 m to experiment
- one polyenergetic cold beam line
- one monoenergetic (0.89 nm) beam line
- ~ 40 m to nEDM UCN source
- 4 frame overlap choppers
- . 60 Hz pulse repetition



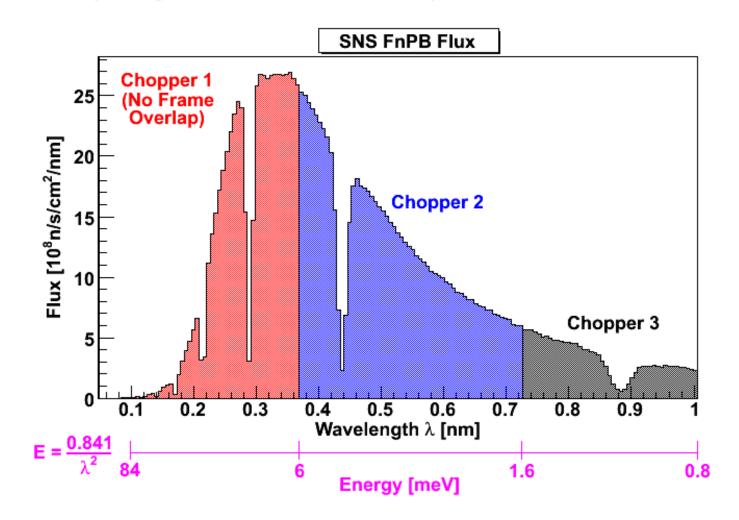


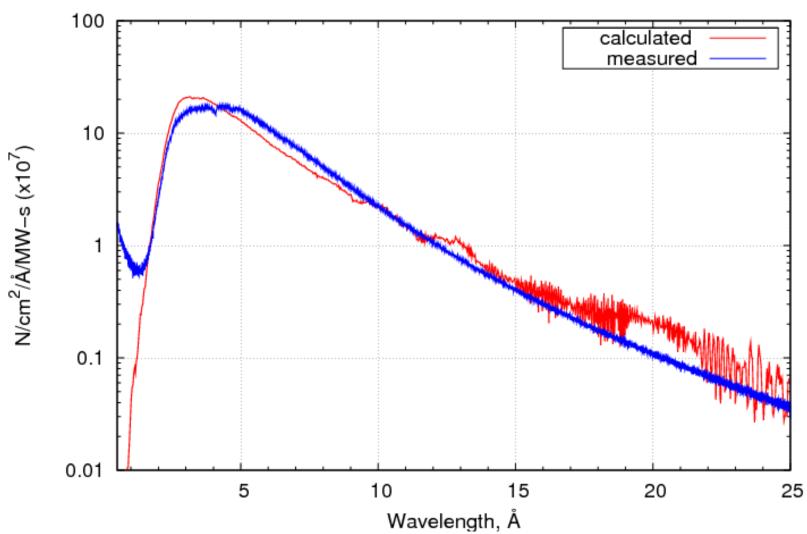
The Neutron Energy Scale



SNS Beam Properties

- total ~ 1.1 × 10¹¹ neutrons/second
- 4.1 x 10¹⁰ n/s , 5.4 x 10¹⁰ n/s, 1.1 x 10¹⁰ n/s
 for three example regions with no frame overlap

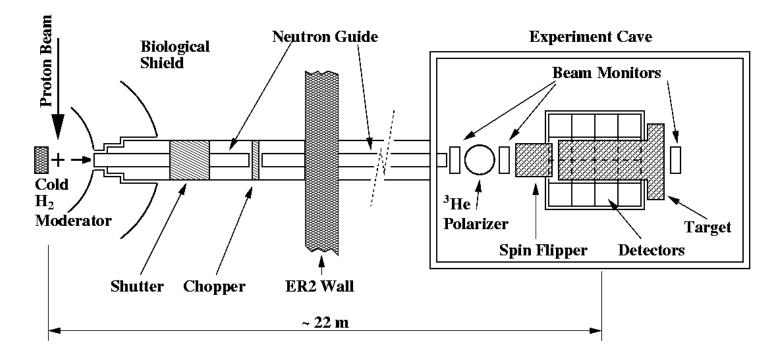




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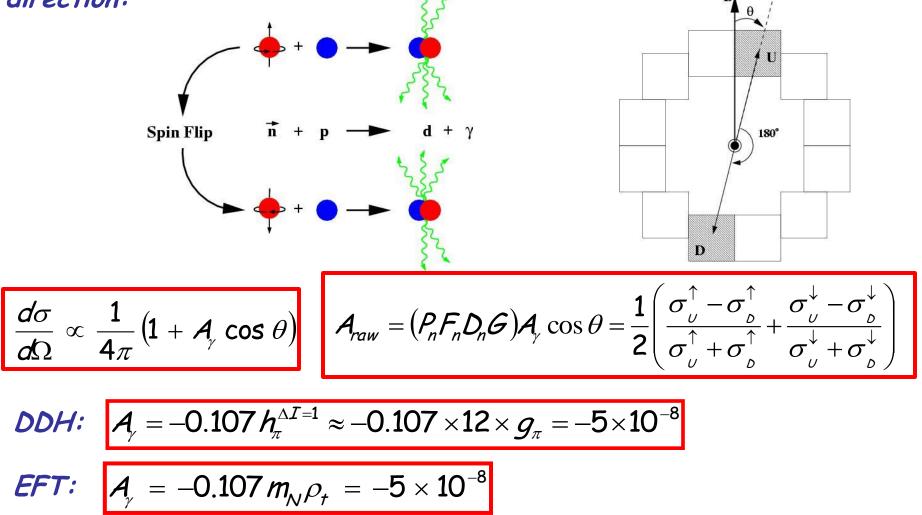
The NPDGamma Collaboration





The NPDGamma Observable / Theory

The main NPDGamma observable is the up-down asymmetry in the angular distribution of gamma rays with respect to the neutron spin direction: $\frac{5}{8}$

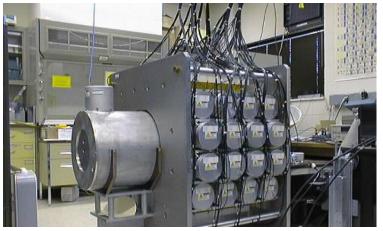


LH₂ target and CsI detector array



20L vessel of liquid parahydrogen

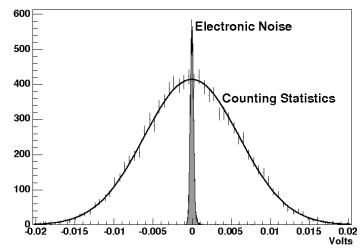
Ortho-hydrogen scatters the neutrons and leads to beam depolarization



 $\cdot 3\pi$ acceptance

·Current-mode experiment

•y-rate ~100MHz (single detector)





LANL Setup (essentially same as SNS)



NPDGamma successfully took about 48 days of continuous production data in 2006.

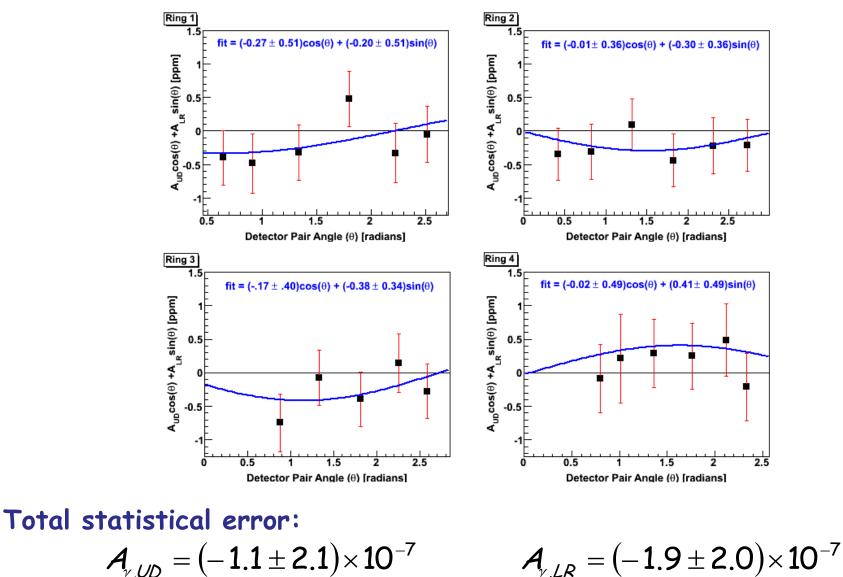
Data Summary from 2006 LANL run

~5000 53±2.5%
52.2 59
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98.8±0.5%
99.98±0.2%
~25% (ave)
2%
10-10
10-10

Data Summary from 2006 LANL run

Number of good runs (8	.5min long)	~5000	
Neutron Polarization		53±2.5%	
Spin Flip Efficiency		98.8±0.5%	
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2006 LANL Hydrogen Results:



Total systematic error: a (very) conservative 10% mostly due to pol.

What's new for the SNS run

New and improved safety and engineering rules !!!
Supermirror Polarizer replaces the ³He Polarizer (x4.1)
Higher moderator brightness (x12) => more neutrons
New LH2 target - thinner windows, smaller background

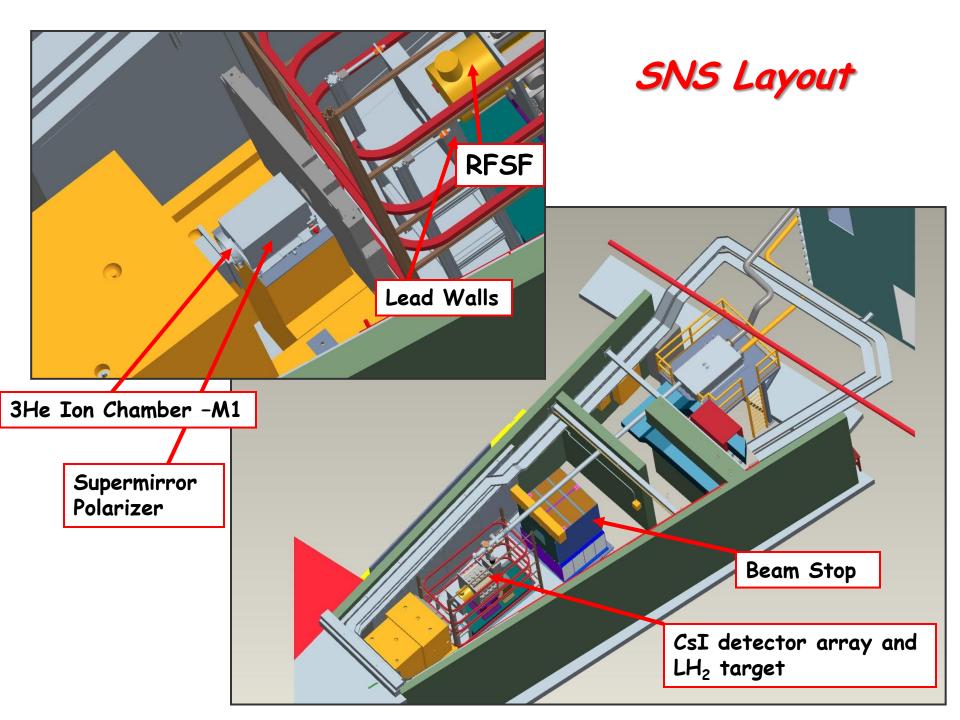
Predicted size -5x10⁻⁸ - NPDGamma can make a 20% measurement in

Installation began in ... (before time)

Commissioning started in December 2010

Production hydrogen data expected to begin December 2012







What has been measured to date:

Beam flux at the experiment:

Measured:

Expected: 2×10^{10} n/s (based on facility flux) Measured: 5×10^{9} n/s

 5×10^9 / 2×10^{10} = 25% (consistent with polarizer transmission

Beam Polarization:

~ 0.96

- Aluminum Asymmetry: ~ \pm 0.4 × 10⁻⁷
- Counting Statistics and Runtime Estimate:

$$\delta A_{\gamma} = 10^{-8} \longrightarrow N = 10^{16} \longrightarrow 160 \text{ days}$$

The Parity Violating Longitudinal Asymmetry in Polarized Cold Neutron Capture on Helium 3

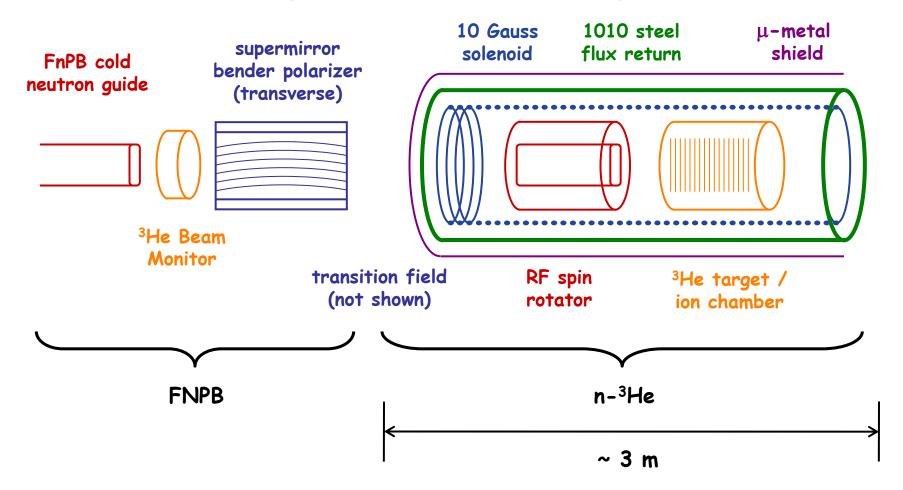
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Iongitudinal holding field - suppressed PC asymmetry
 RF spin flipper - negligible spin-dependent neutron velocity
 ³He ion chamber - both target and detector

n³He Principle of Measurement

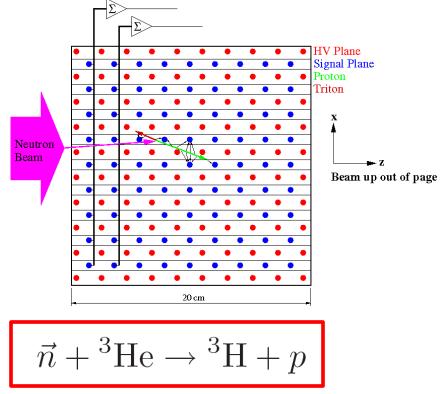
Measure the asymmetry in the number of forward going protons in a ³He wire chamber as a function of neutron spin:

 $ec{\sigma}_n\cdotec{k}_T$ Directional PV asymmetry in the number of tritons

 $\vec{\sigma}_n \cdot \vec{k}_p$ Directional PV asymmetry in the number of protons (much larger track length)

- wire chamber is both target and detector
- wires run vertical or horizontal
- no crossed wire: keep the field simple to avoid electron multiplication (non-linearities)

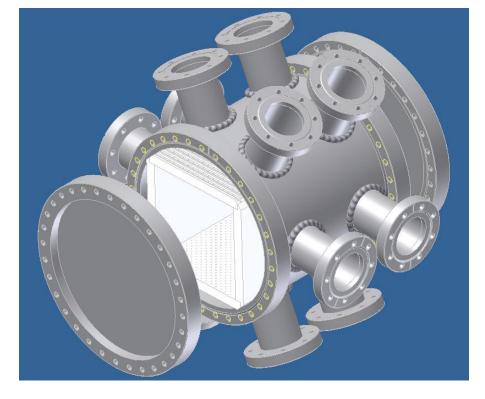
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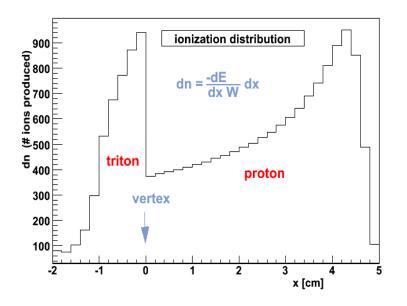


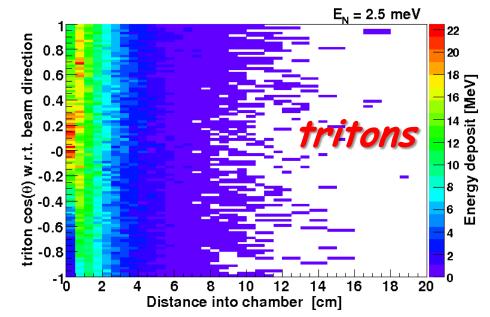
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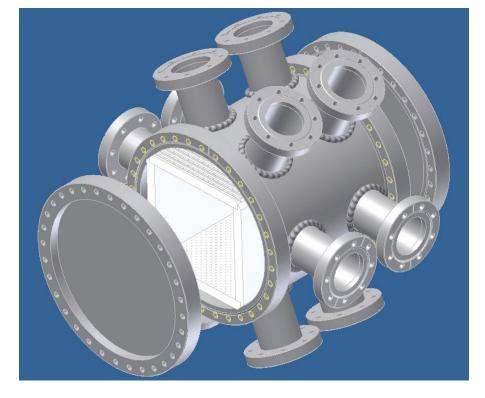


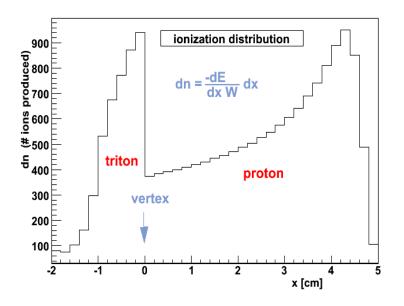


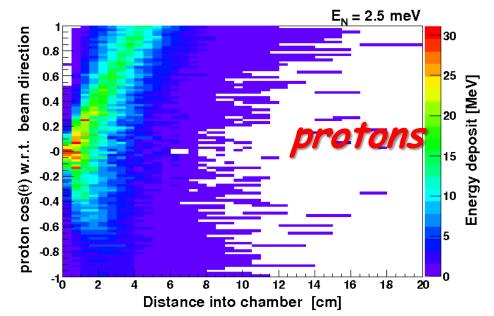
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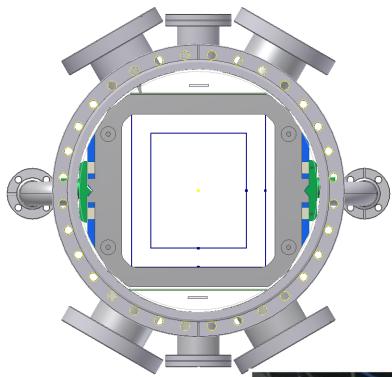
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Chamber design finished in 2010

Delivered to U. of Manitoba Fall of 2010.

The chamber has:

- 4 data ports for up to 200 readout channels.
- 2 HV ports
- 2 gas inlets/outlets
- 12 inch conflat aluminum windows (0.9 mm thick).

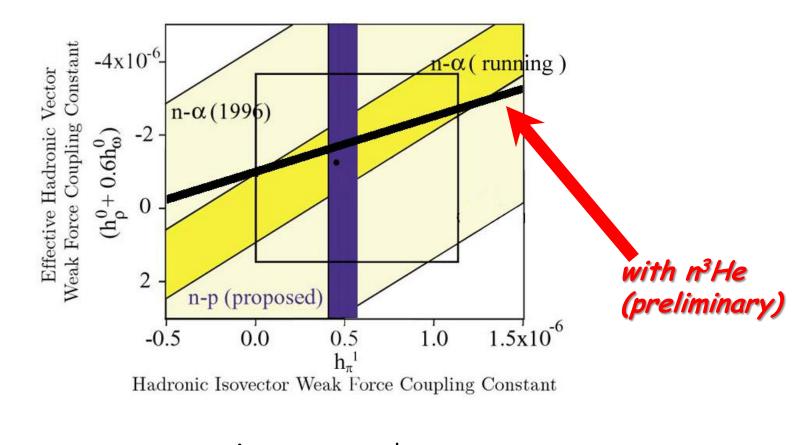
Chamber made completely from aluminum except for the knife edges.



Status/Schedule

- n-³He experiment approved by the FnPB PRAC, 2008-01-07
 - first measurement of PV in the n-³He reaction
 - large asymmetry ~10-7
 - proposed measurement accuracy $\delta A = 1.0 imes 10^{-8}$
- recent progress in experimental design
 - full 4-body calculation of PV observable
 - R&D projects on target/detector design at LANL
 - new spin flipper design permitting compact / less expensive layout
 - preliminary holding field design
- Ieverage existing hardware / technology
 - major components based on similar NPDGamma instrumentation
 - can reuse NPDGamma electronics / power supplies
- FnPB infrastructure
 - no safety hazards, no LH_2 target, new power or cooling requirements
 - minimal modification of FnPB cave stand for n-³He solenoid
 - technician support for readiness review preparation, setup of experiment
- Tentative Schedule
 - 2010-2012 Design and development
 - Late 2012 Installation
 - 2013 Run

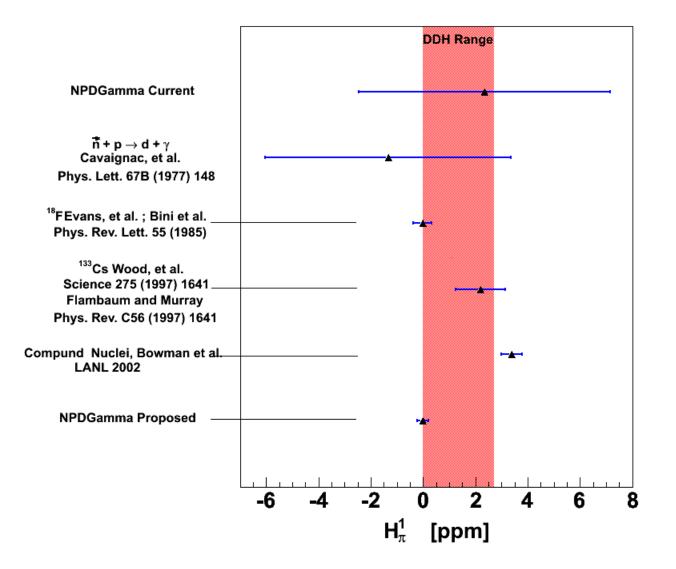




$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathbf{n} + \mathbf{p} \rightarrow \mathbf{d} + \gamma & \mathbf{A}_{\gamma}^{d} \\ \mathbf{n} - \alpha & \text{spin rot. } \mathbf{d} \phi^{\mathbf{n}\alpha} / \mathbf{d} \mathbf{z} \end{array}$$

Unfortunately, the connection between the PV observables and the SM is essentially unknown.

2006 Hydrogen Results:



n³He Relevance

5 EFT parameters :
$$(\lambda_t,\lambda_s^{I=0,1,2},
ho_t)$$

Correspond to:

$${}^{3}S_{1}(I = 0) \leftrightarrow {}^{1}P_{1}(I = 0)$$

 ${}^{1}S_{0}(I = 0, 1, 2) \leftrightarrow {}^{3}P_{0}(I = 0, 1, 2)$
 ${}^{3}S_{1}(I = 0) \leftrightarrow {}^{3}P_{1}(I = 1)$

n3He asymmetry relation to EFT constant:

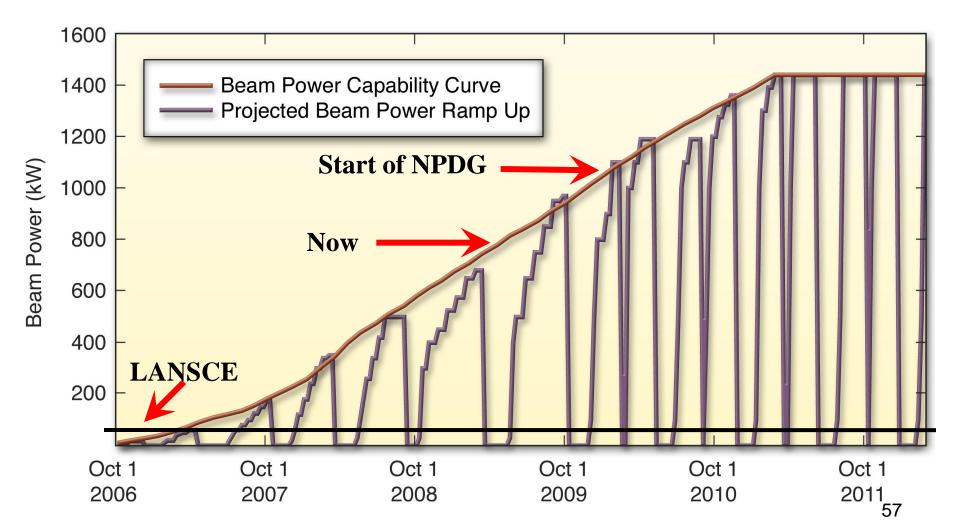
$$\mathcal{A}_{p}^{\vec{n},^{3}\mathcal{He}}(\mathcal{T}h.) = \kappa\lambda_{S}^{I=0} + ... \approx 3 \times 10^{-7}$$

M. Viviani, R. Schiavilla, calculation in progress

DDH:

$$\mathcal{A}_{p}^{\vec{n},^{3}\mathcal{He}}(th) = -0.182h_{\pi}^{1} - 0.145h_{\rho}^{0} - 0.127h_{\omega}^{0} + 0.06h_{\omega}^{1}$$

SNS Ramp-Up Plan





Cold Beamline - Realized





Flight path 13 - top view 1Å Ó -----UCN Guide Beam Stop 2 n 100.0 Autor a 60



