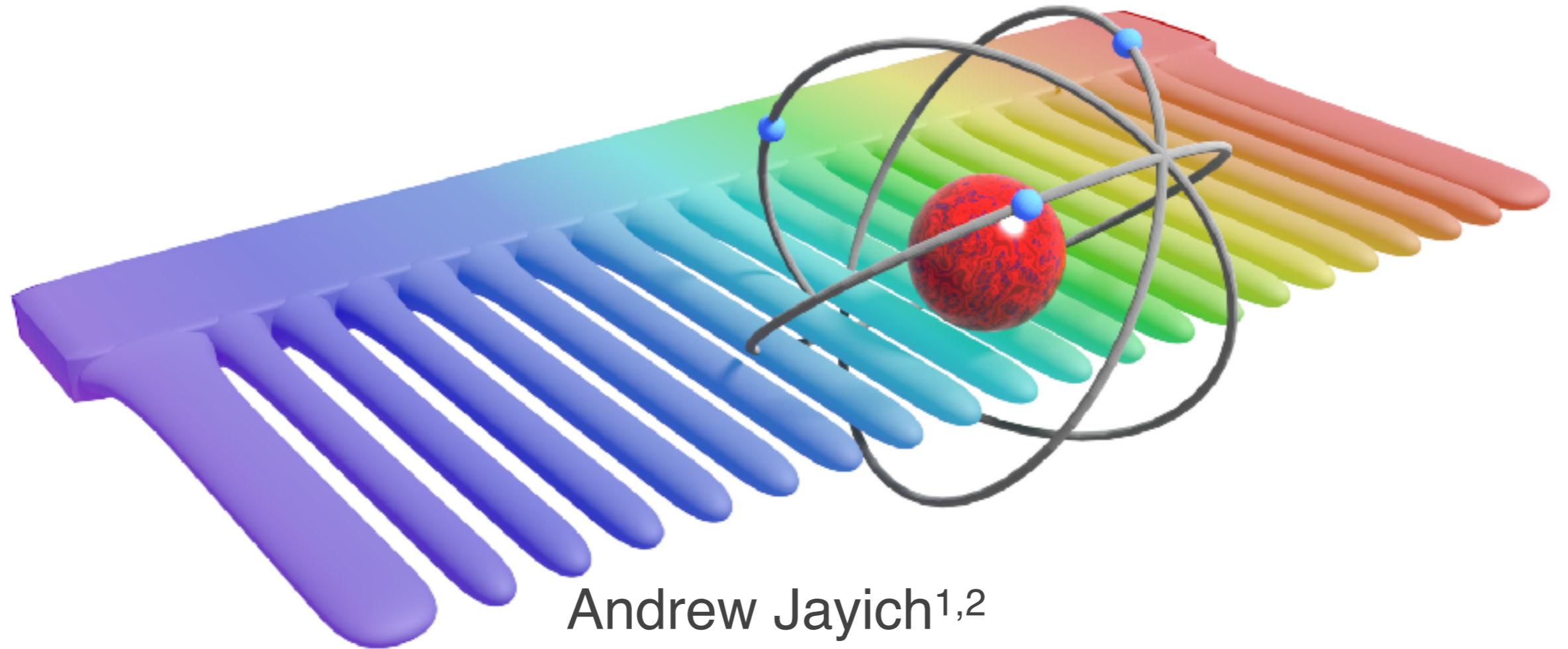


# Trapping heavy and deformed nuclei... for a long, long time

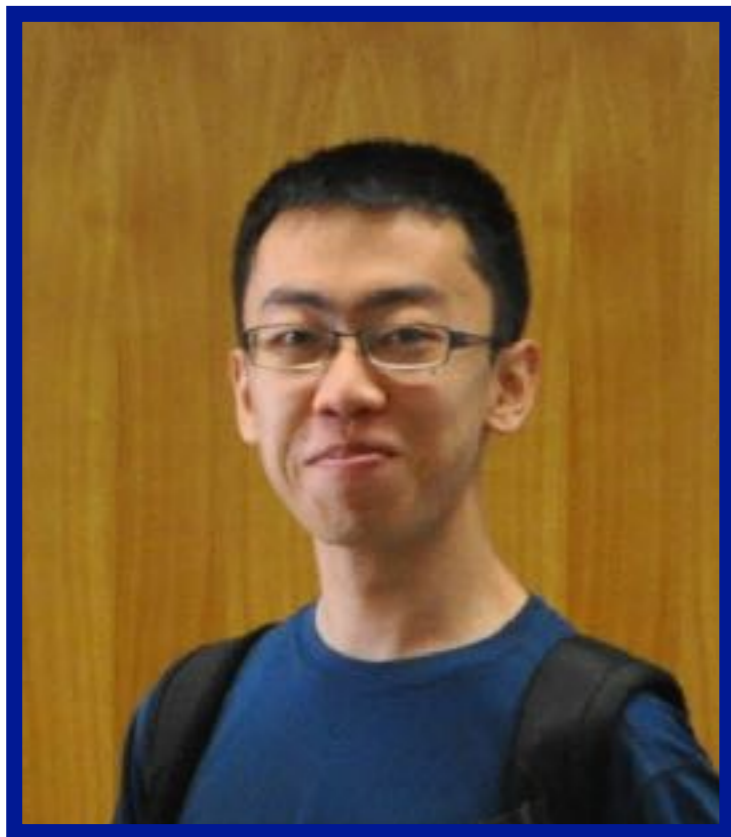


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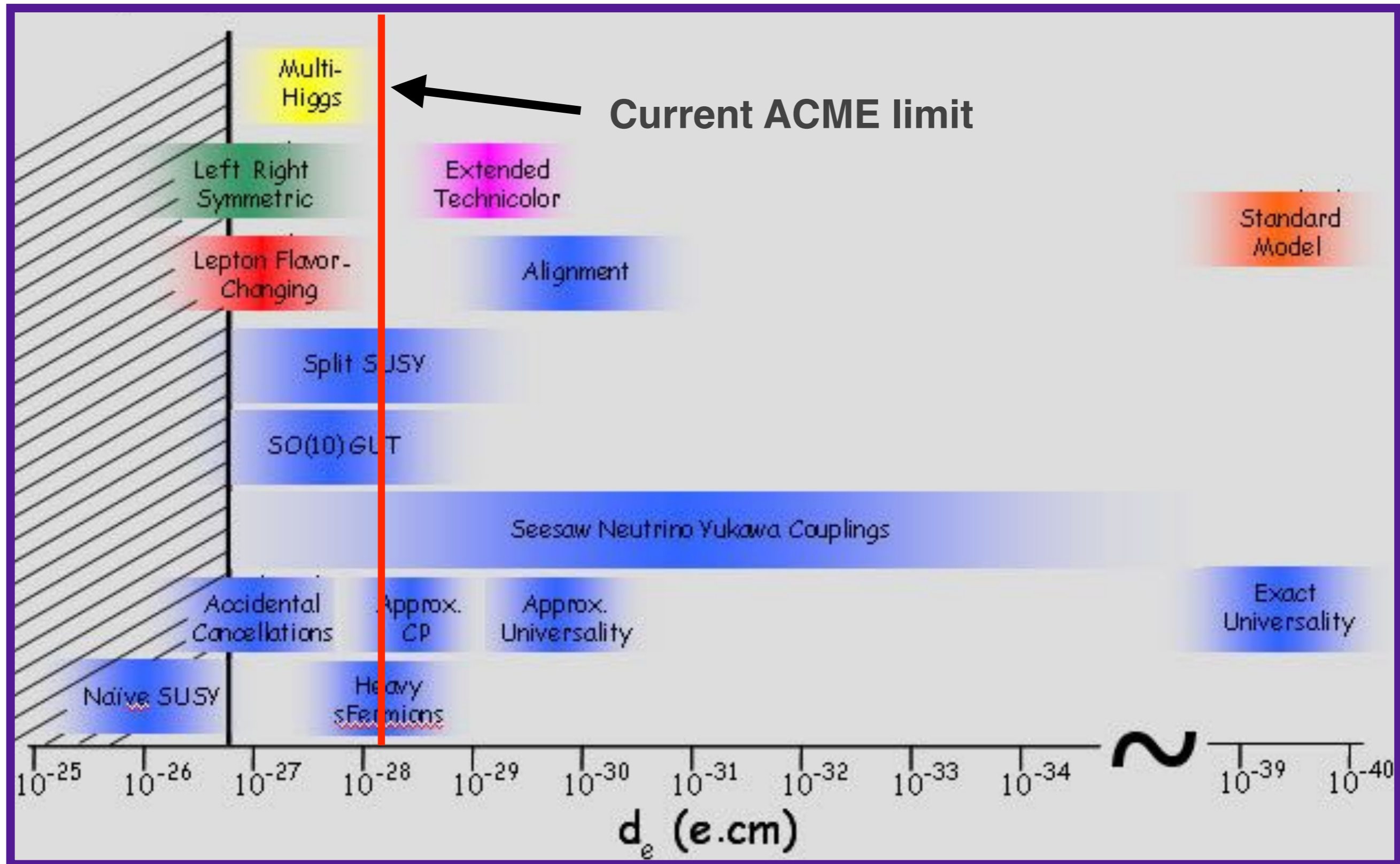


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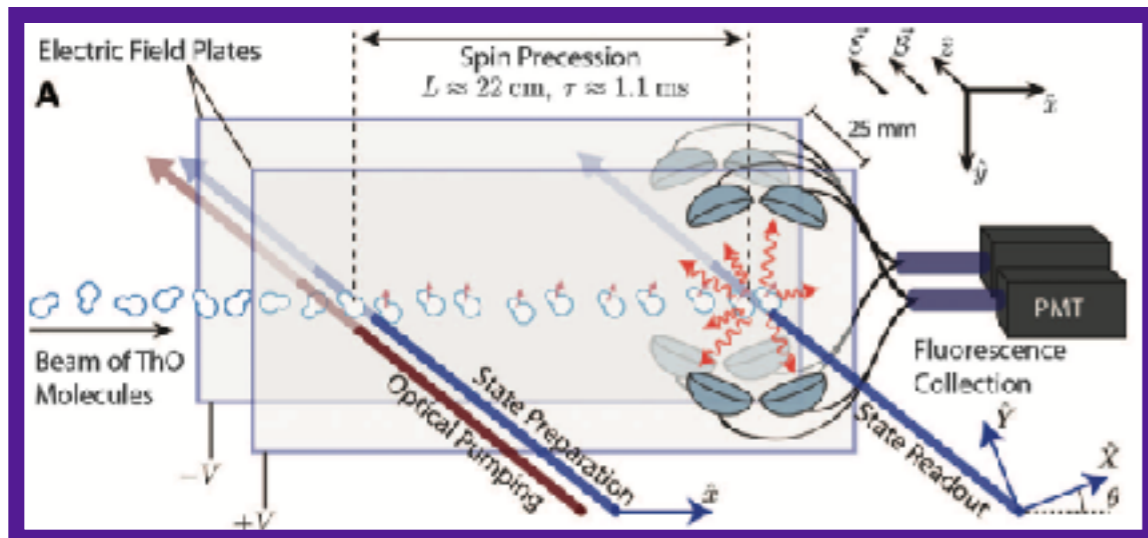
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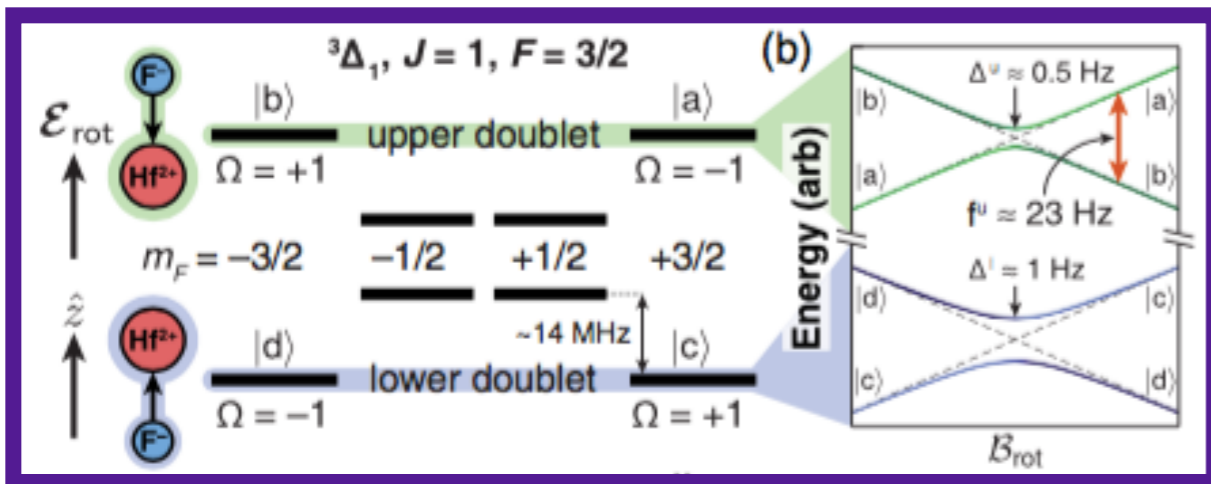
# Active EDM searches

## ACME - ThO beam



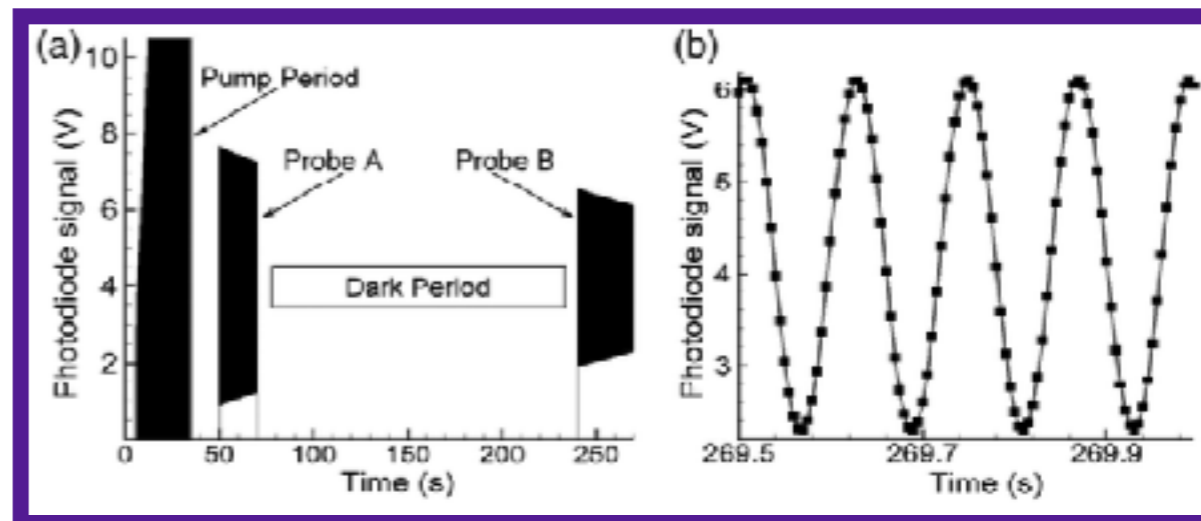
ACME collaboration, *Science* **343**, 6168 (2014)

## JILA - Trapped HfF<sup>+</sup>



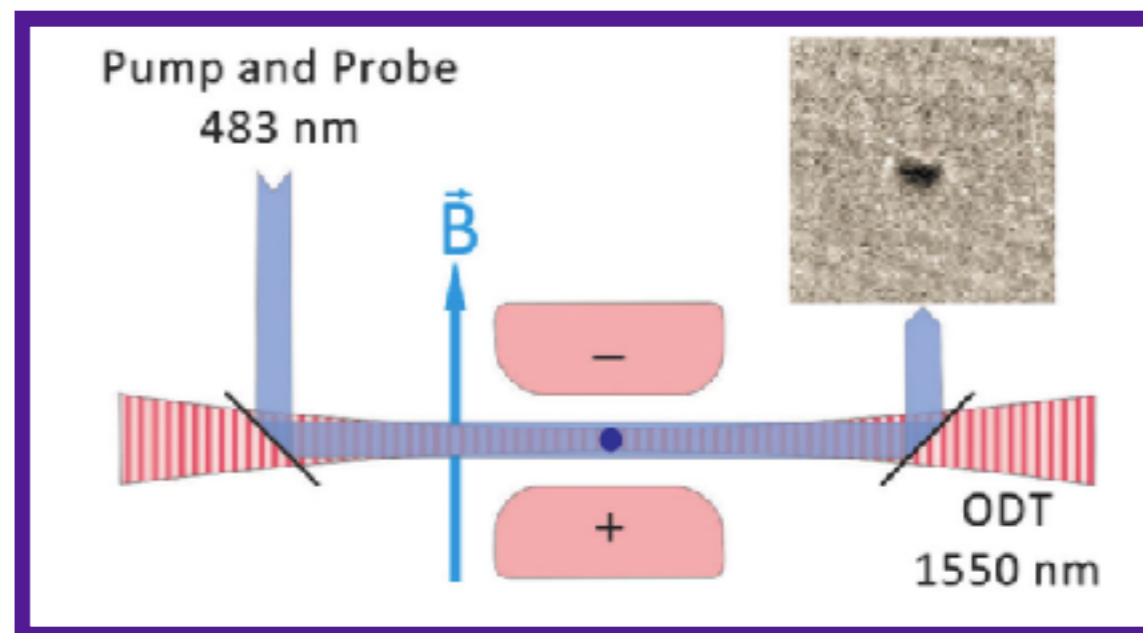
Cairncross *et al*, *PRL* **119**, 153001 (2017)

## Washington - Hg vapor



Graner *et al*, *PRL* **116**, 161601 (2016)

## Argonne - Ultracold radium



Parker *et al.*, *PRL* **114**, 6168 (2015)

# Fishing



# New directions

electron EDM (atoms in molecules):

$^{232}\text{Th}$ :  $I=0$

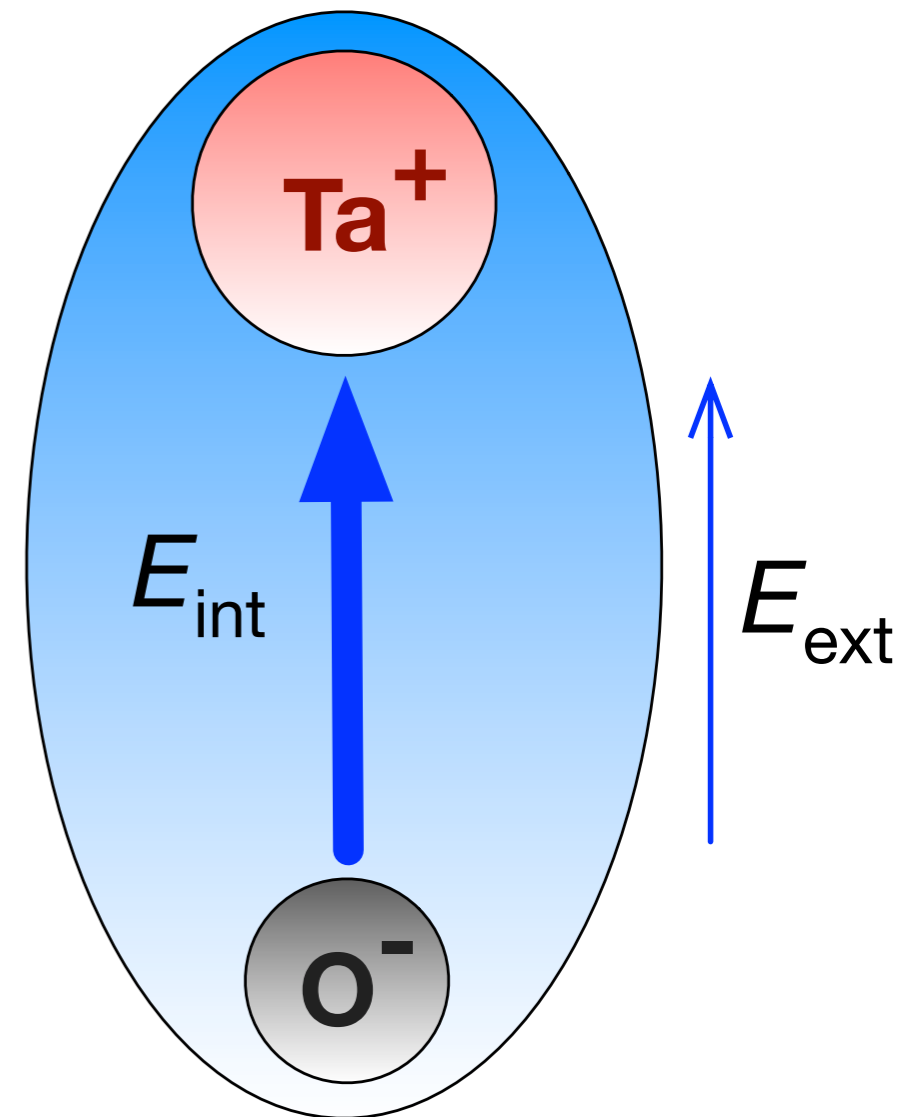
$^{180}\text{Hf}$ :  $I=0$

nuclear EDM (atoms):

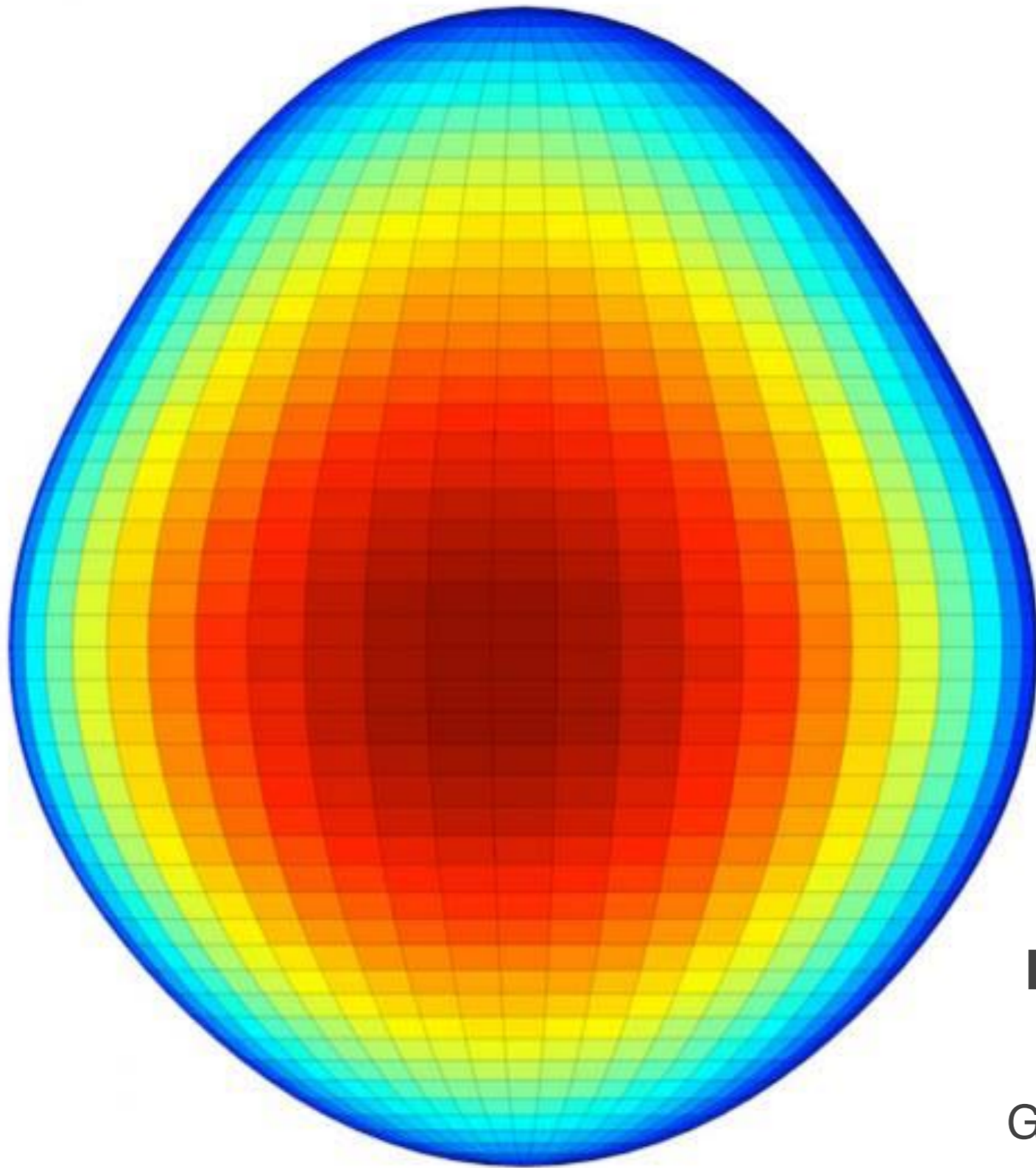
$^{199}\text{Hg}$ :  $I=1/2$

$^{225}\text{Ra}$ :  $I=1/2$

*14.9-day half-life*



# Octupole enhancement



**Enhancement: ~100-1000x**

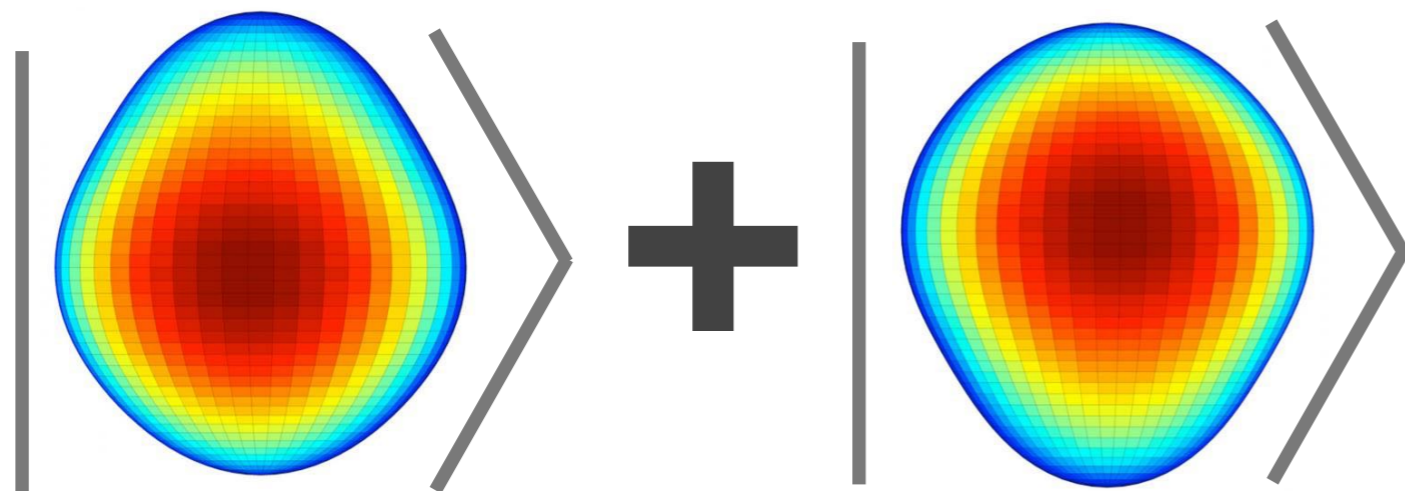
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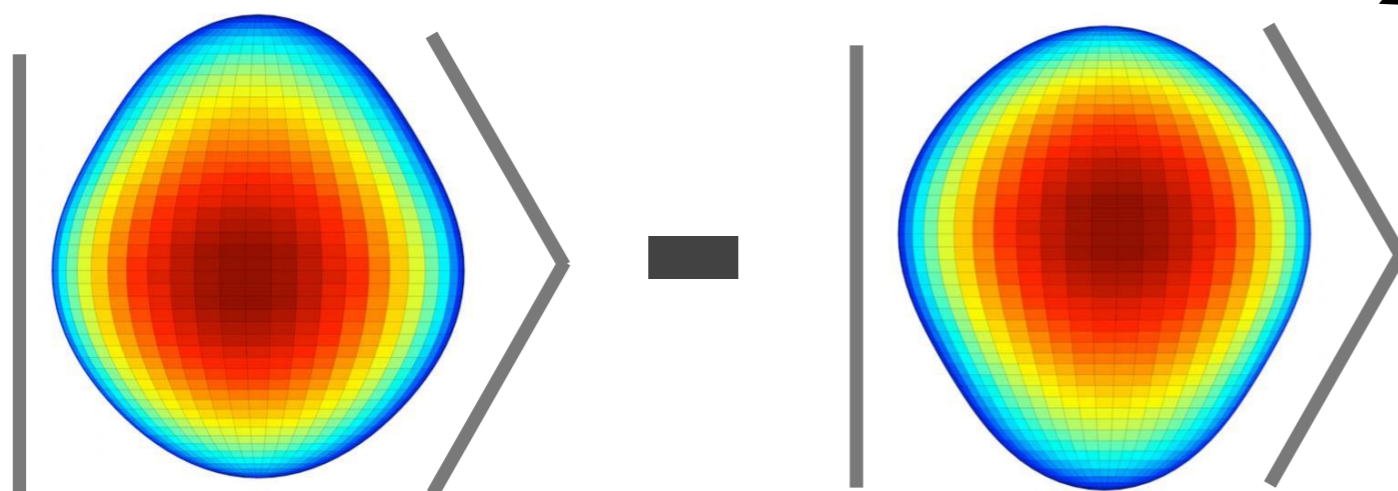


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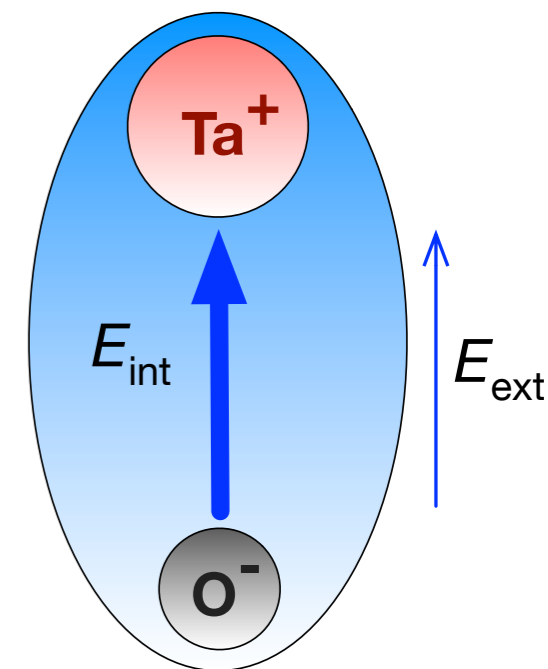
1st nuclear excited state



$\sim 55$  keV



nuclear ground state



Mixing gives an enhancement in the lab frame analogous to molecular Omega doubling

Gaffney *et al.*, *Nature* **497**, 199 (2013)

Dobaczewski *et al.*, *PRL* **94**, 23 (2005)



# New directions

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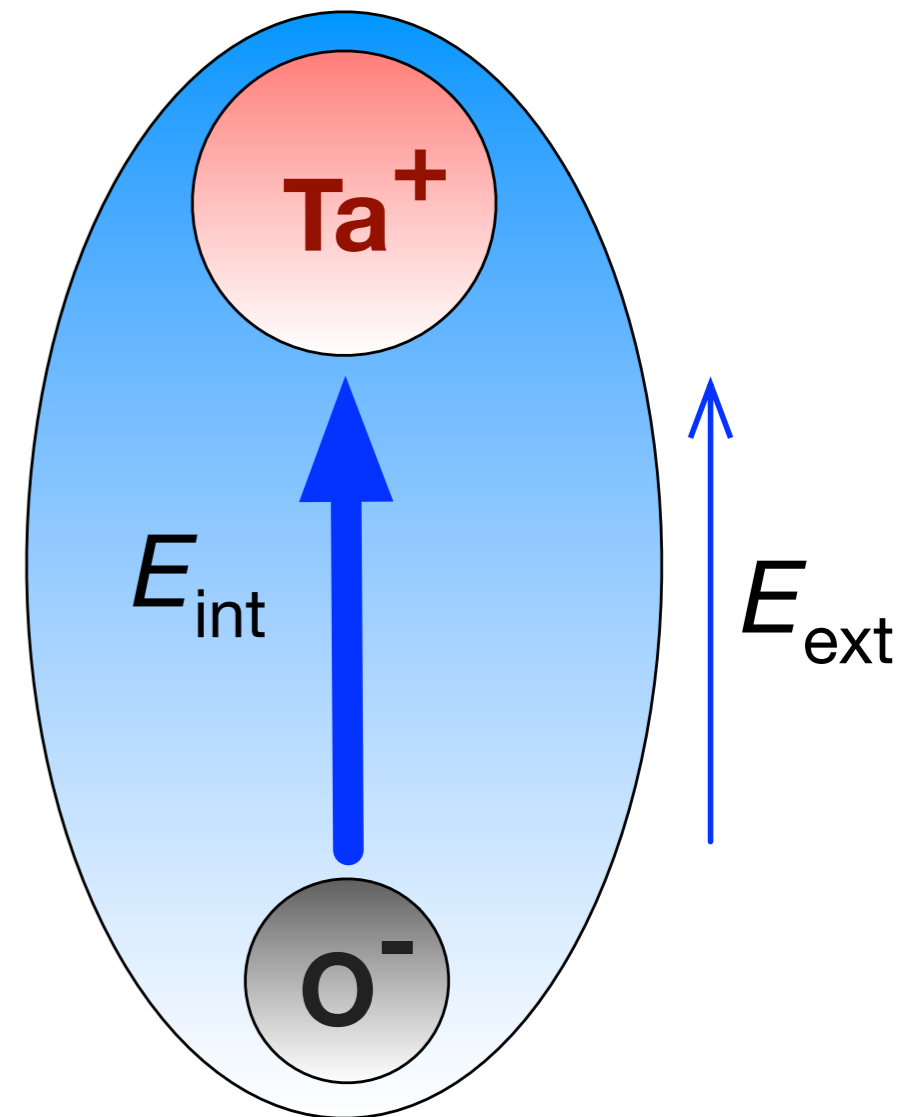
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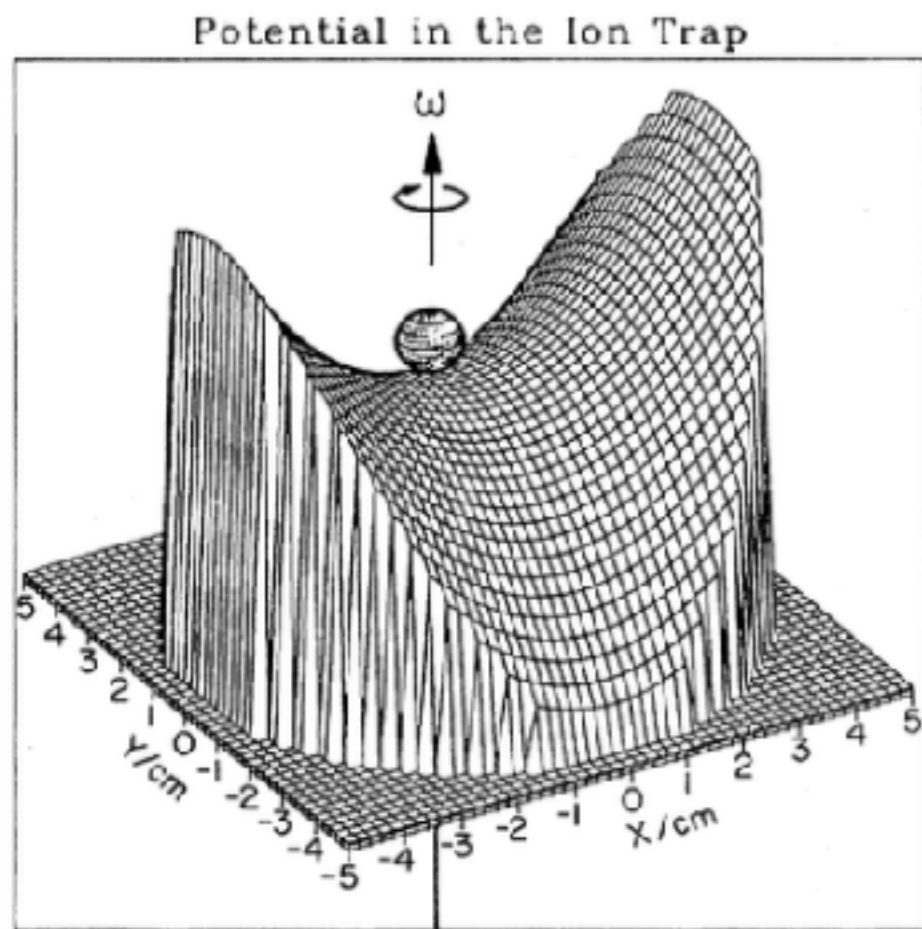
***14.9-day half-life***



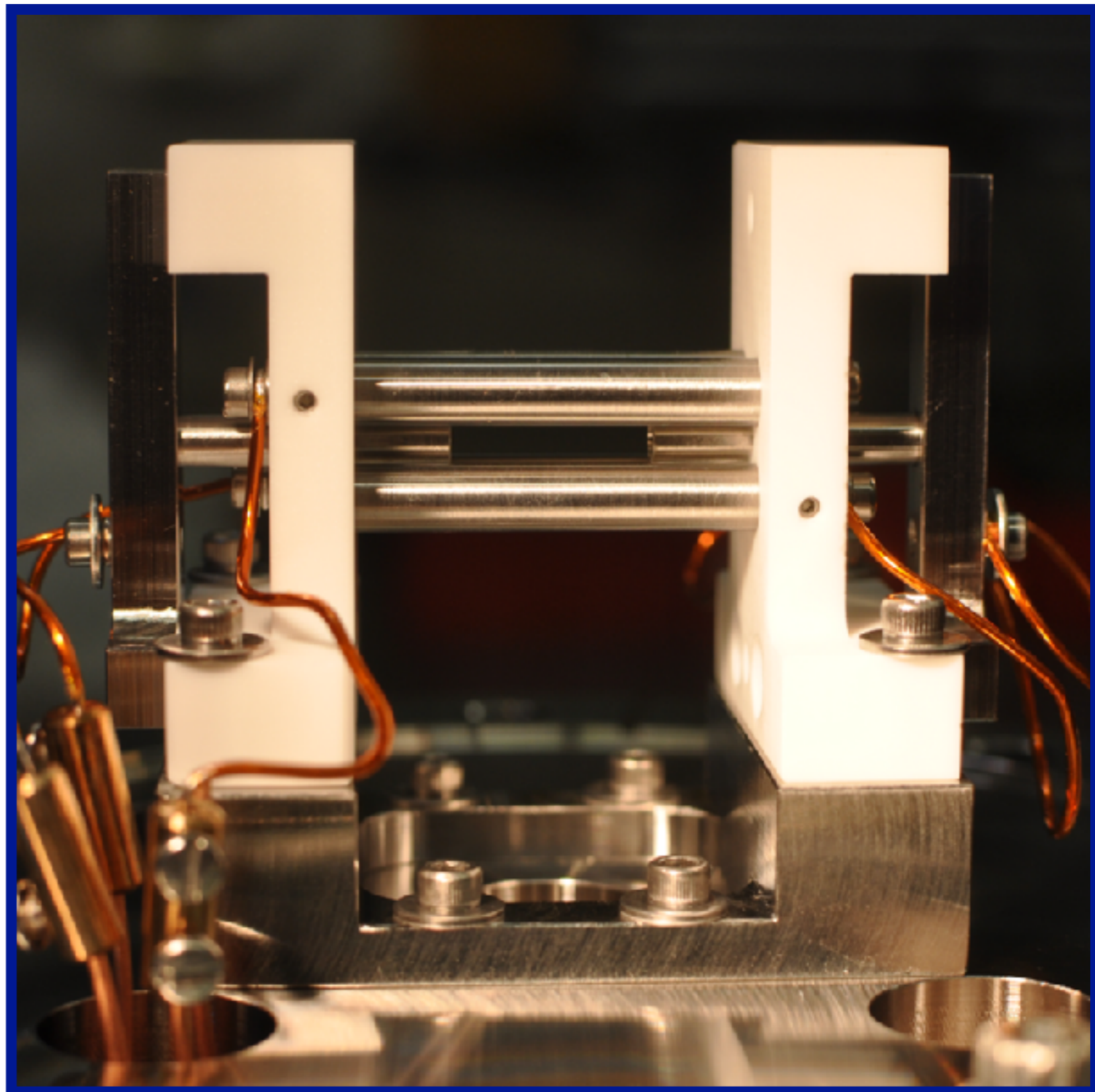
# Sensitivity

$$\delta d \propto \frac{1}{T \sqrt{N}}$$

# Ion trapping

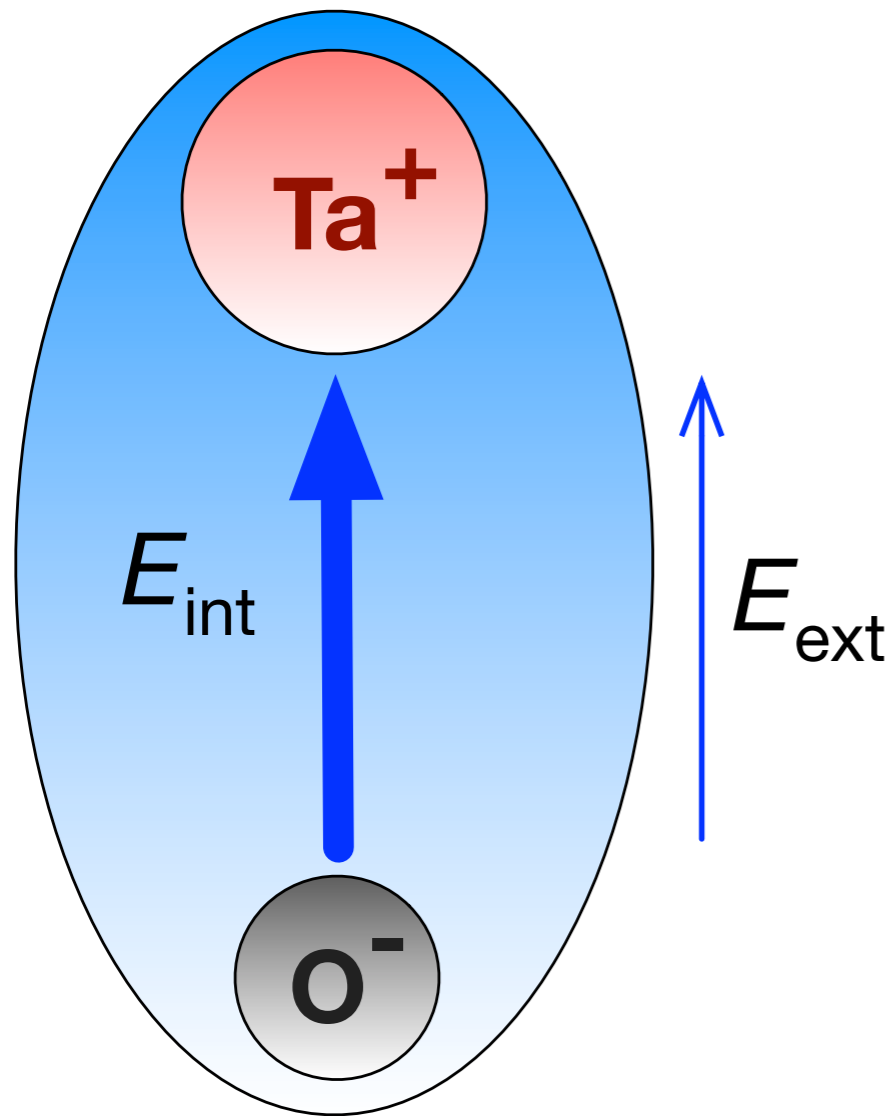


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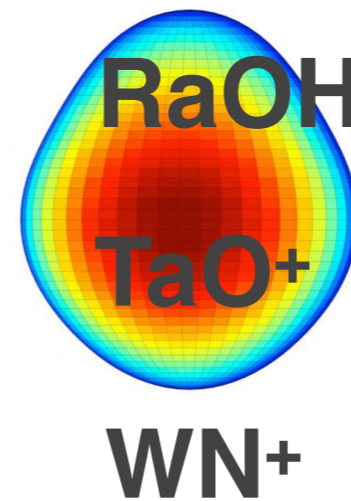




# Deformation enhancement



## Molecular ions:



Kozyryev and Hutzler, *PRL*, (2017)

Fleig, *PRA*, (2017)

Enhancement:  $\sim 100-1000x$

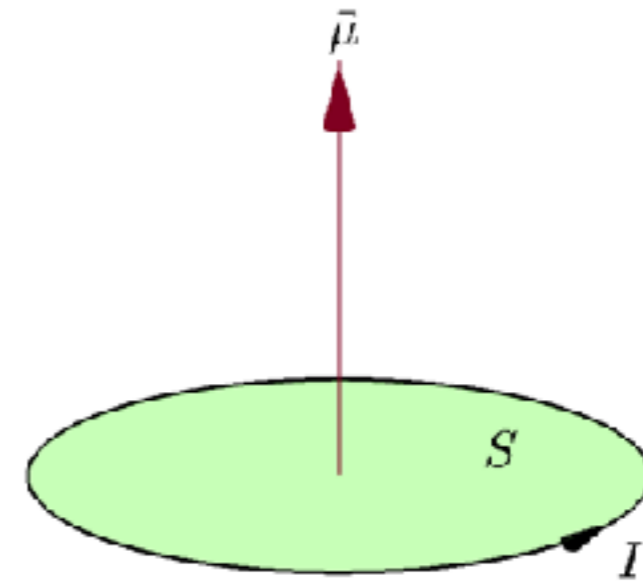
Easily polarizable

# nuclear MQM

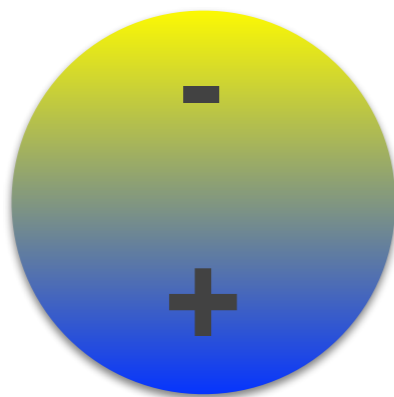
monopole charge



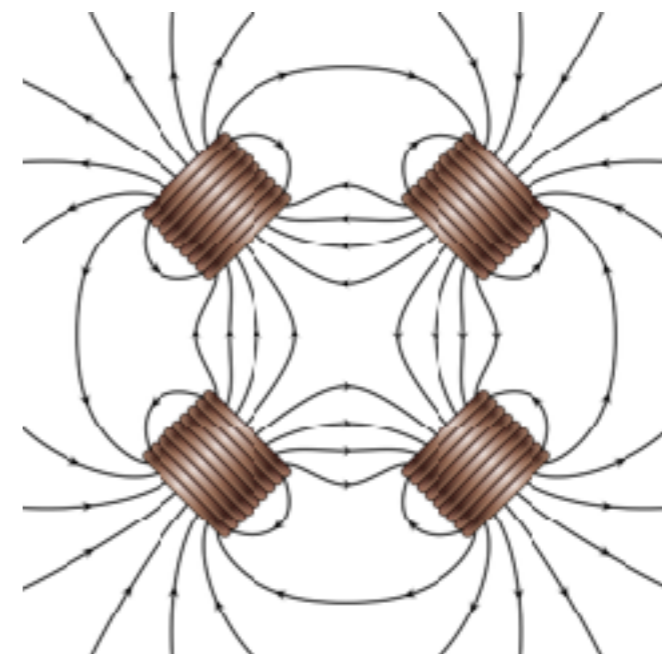
magnetic dipole



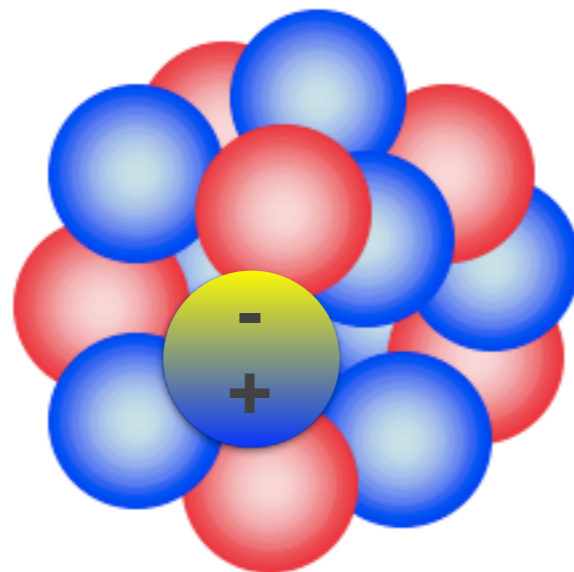
electric dipole



magnetic quadrupole



# nuclear MQM - physics sensitivity



**Collective enhancement:  $A^{2/3} \sim 100x$**

**not screened (compare to Schiff moment)**

**sensitive to  $\pi_0$  meson exchange**

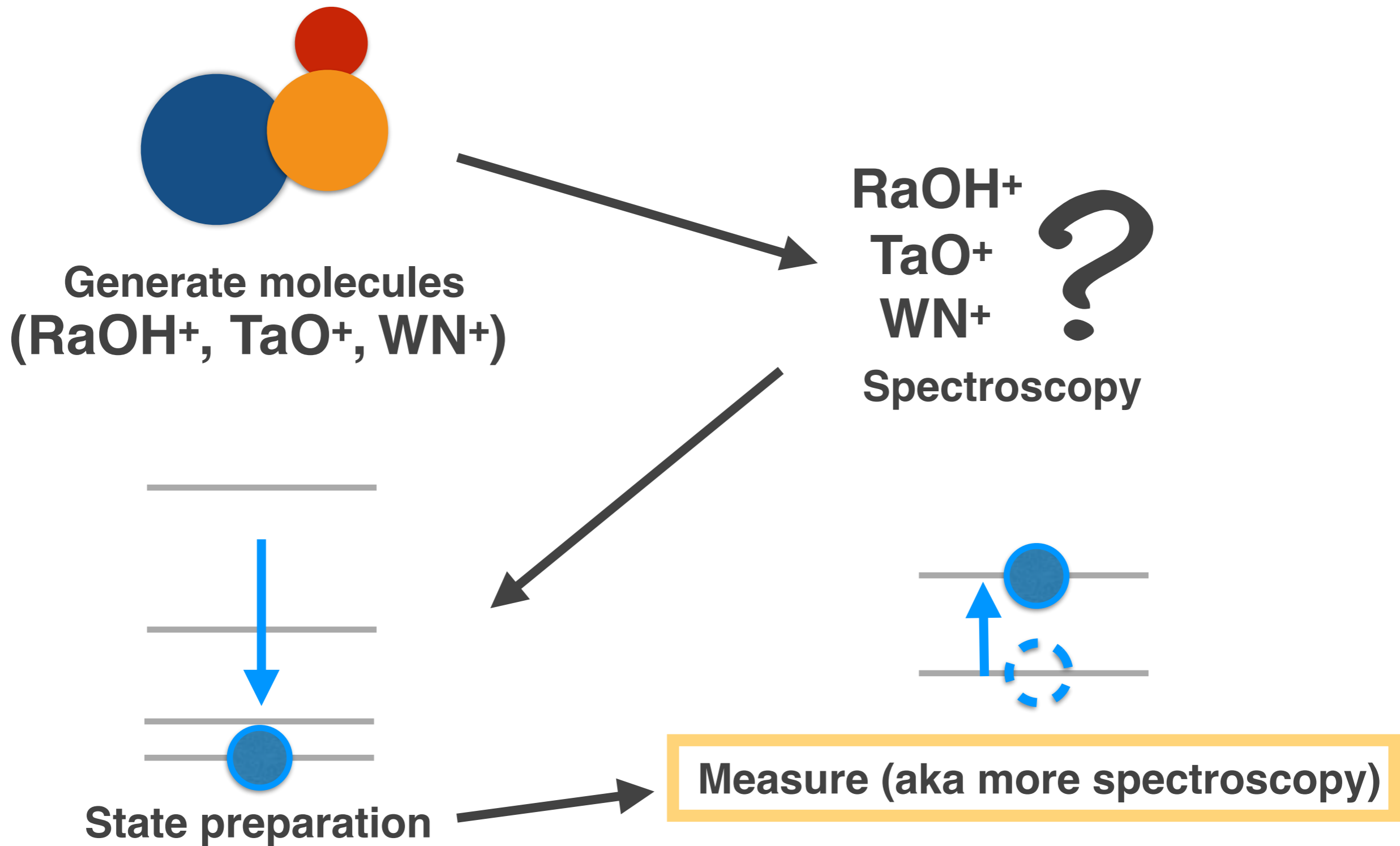
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Flambaum, *Phys Lett. B* **320**, 211 (1994)

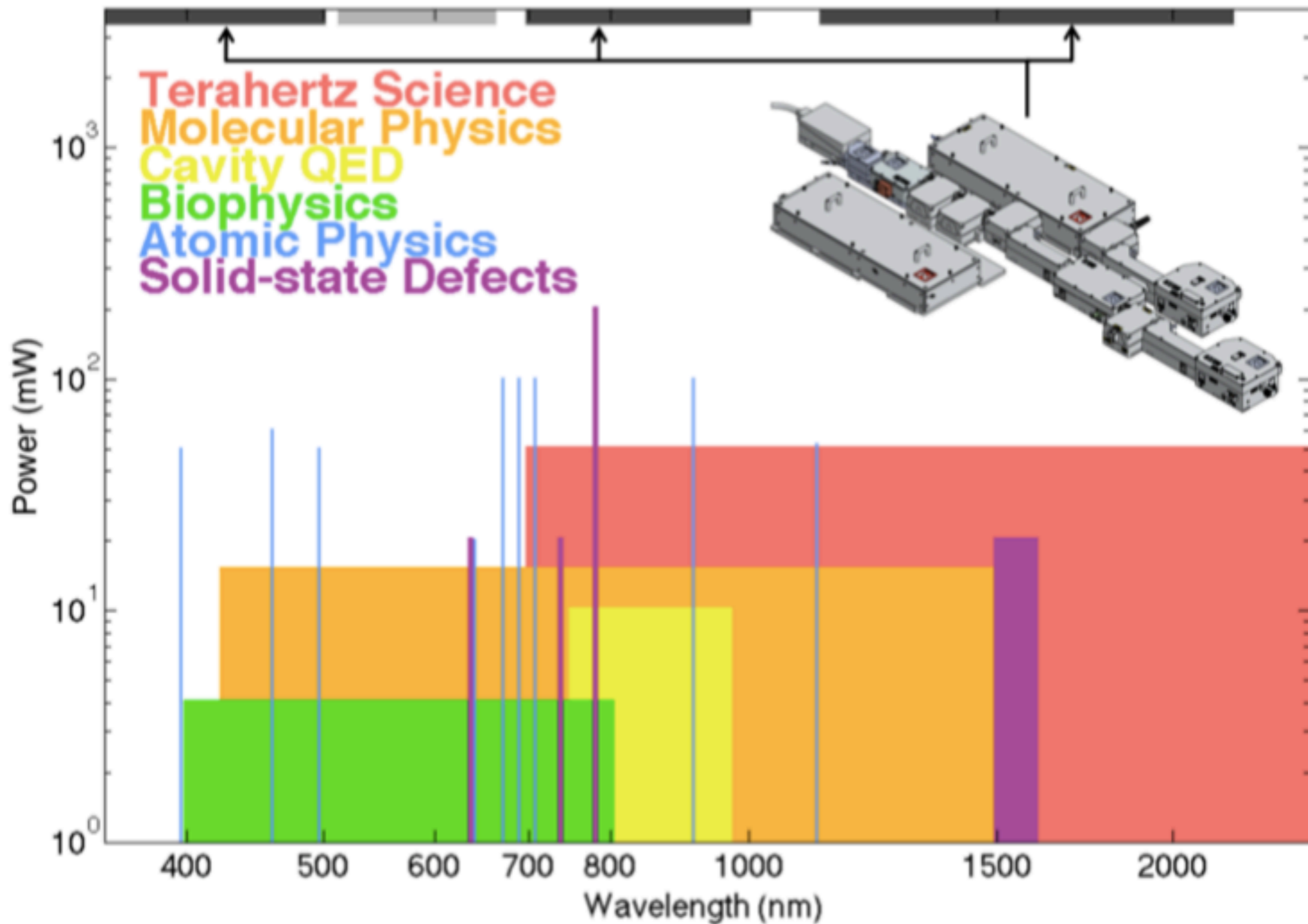
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# Steps towards an MQM measurement



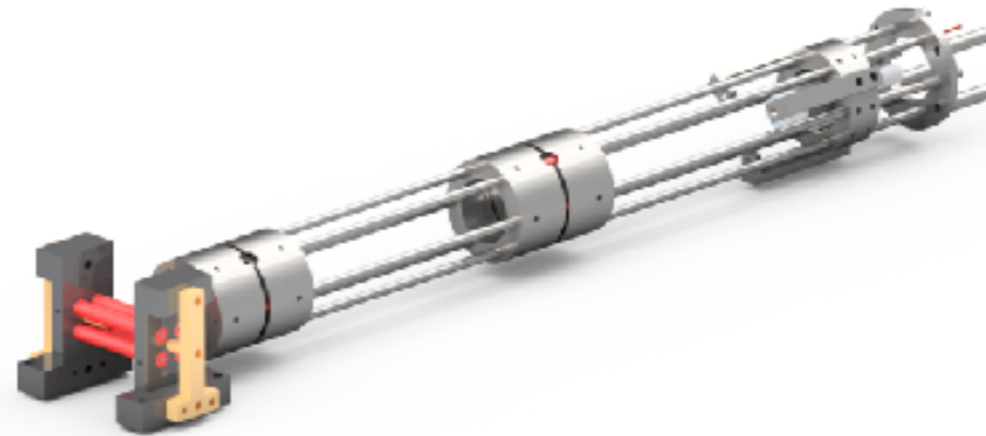
# UCSB BiFROST



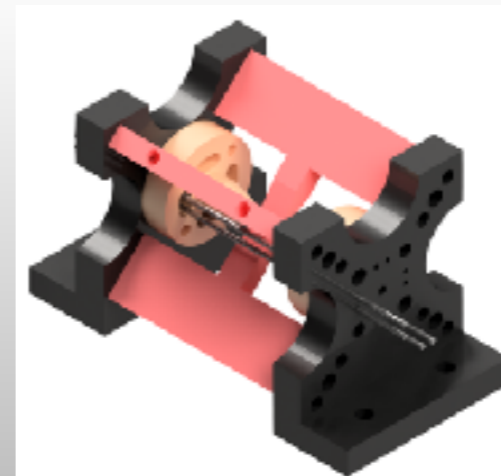
David Weld led proposal. Installing now.

# Complementary ion trapping systems

- 1.)** Time-of-flight mass spec.  
Linear motion feedthrough  
Precision leak valve



- 2.)** High frequency trap  
Entanglement, metrology, etc.  
Quantum logic spectroscopy  
Direct comb spectroscopy

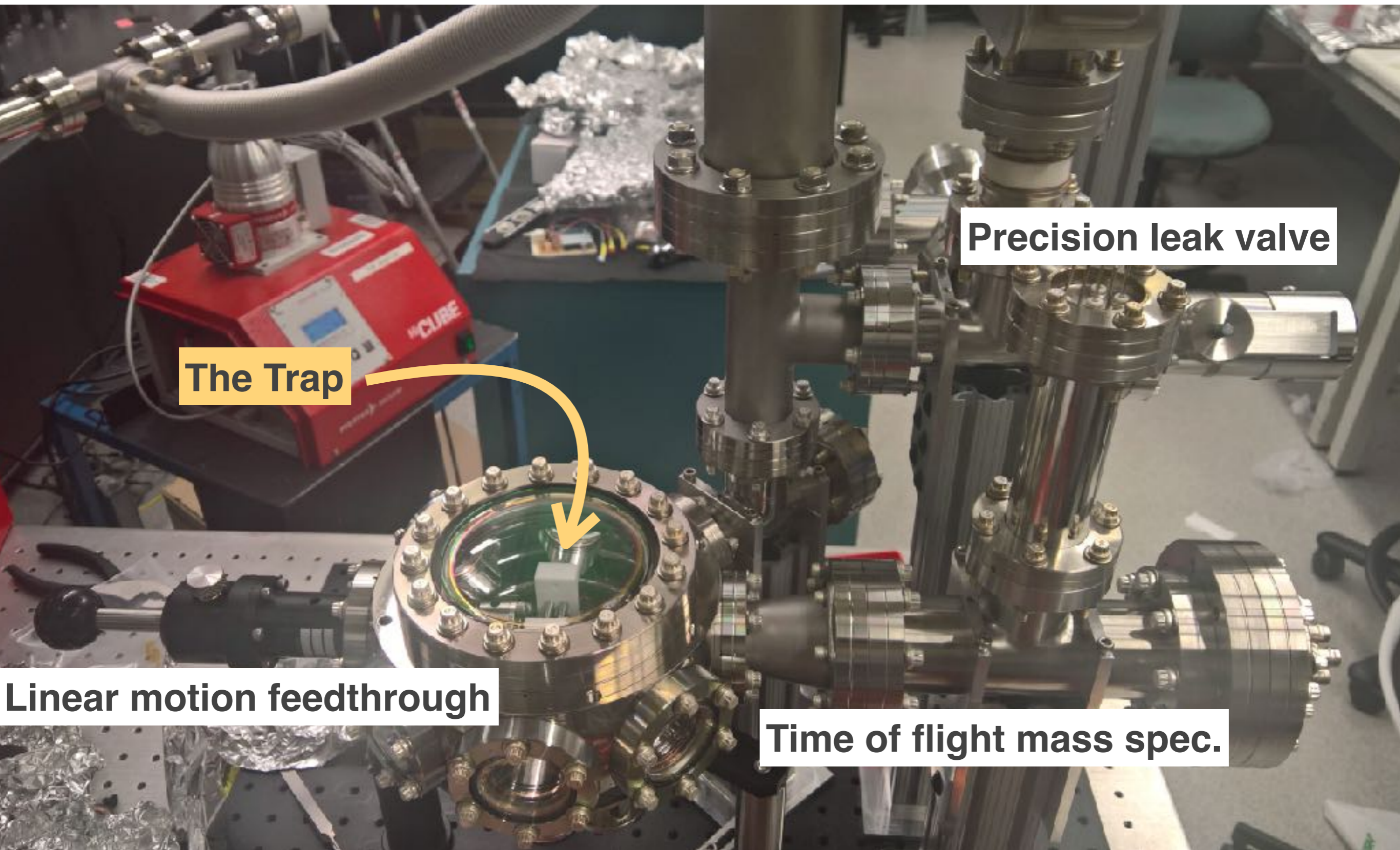


- 3.)** Cryogenic molecular ion trap  
Reduce rotational phase space  
Extremely low vacuum





# Molecular ion and radium ion factory



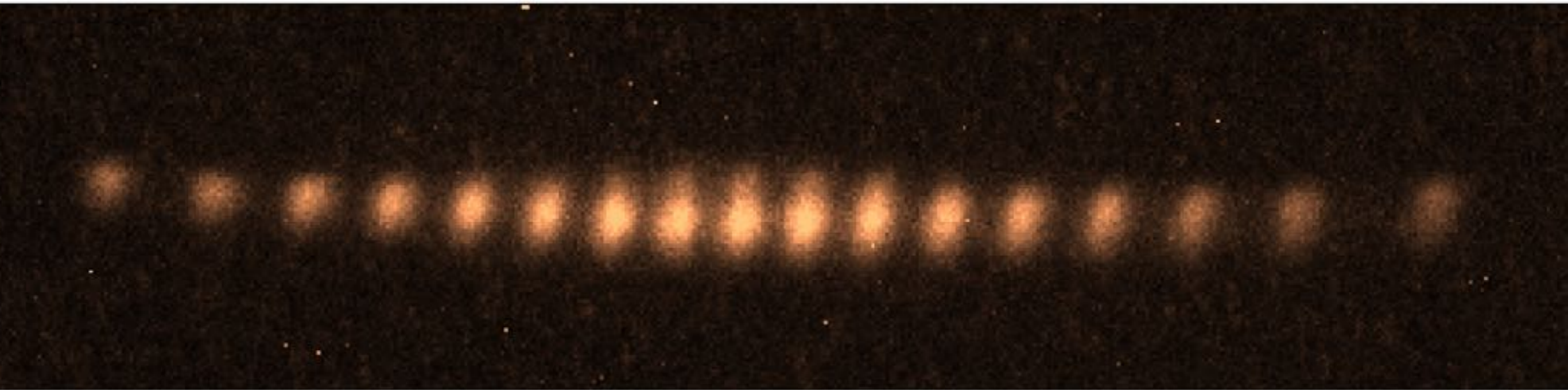
**The Trap**

**Precision leak valve**

**Linear motion feedthrough**

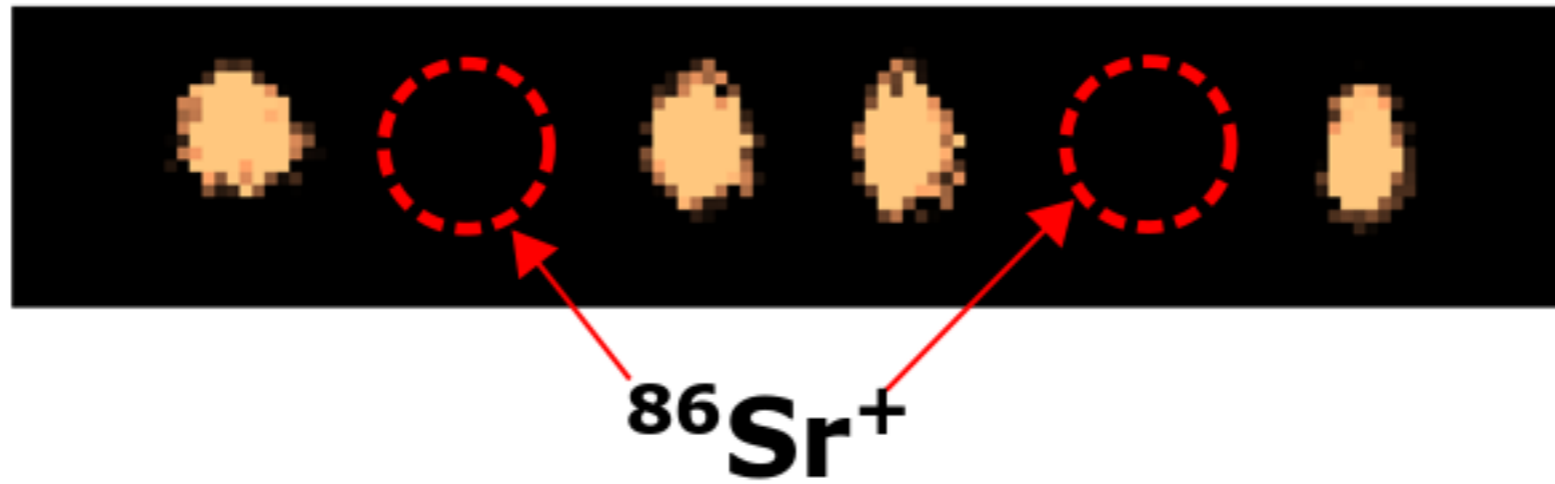
**Time of flight mass spec.**

# Strontium ions in the lab

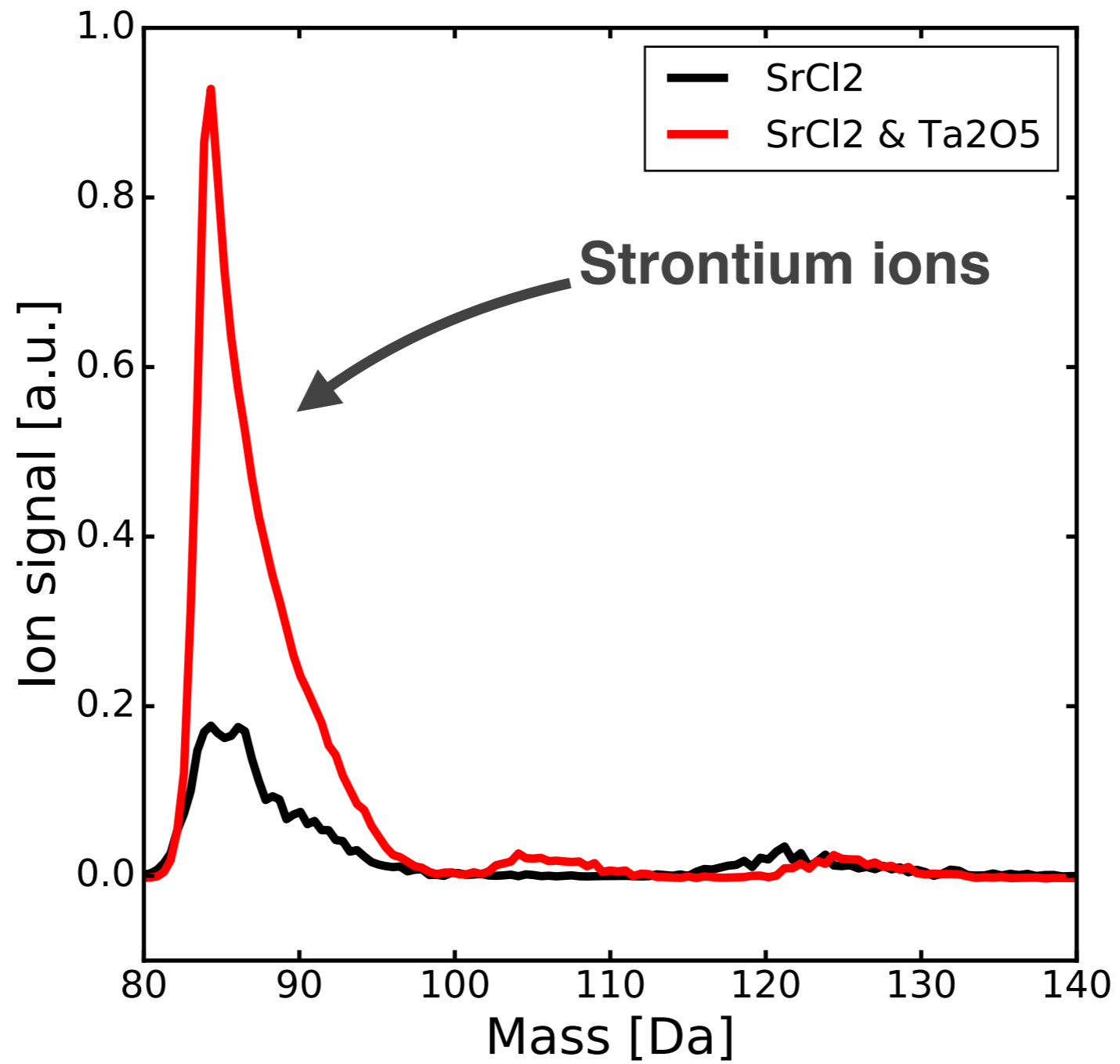




# Controlled Sr isotope loading

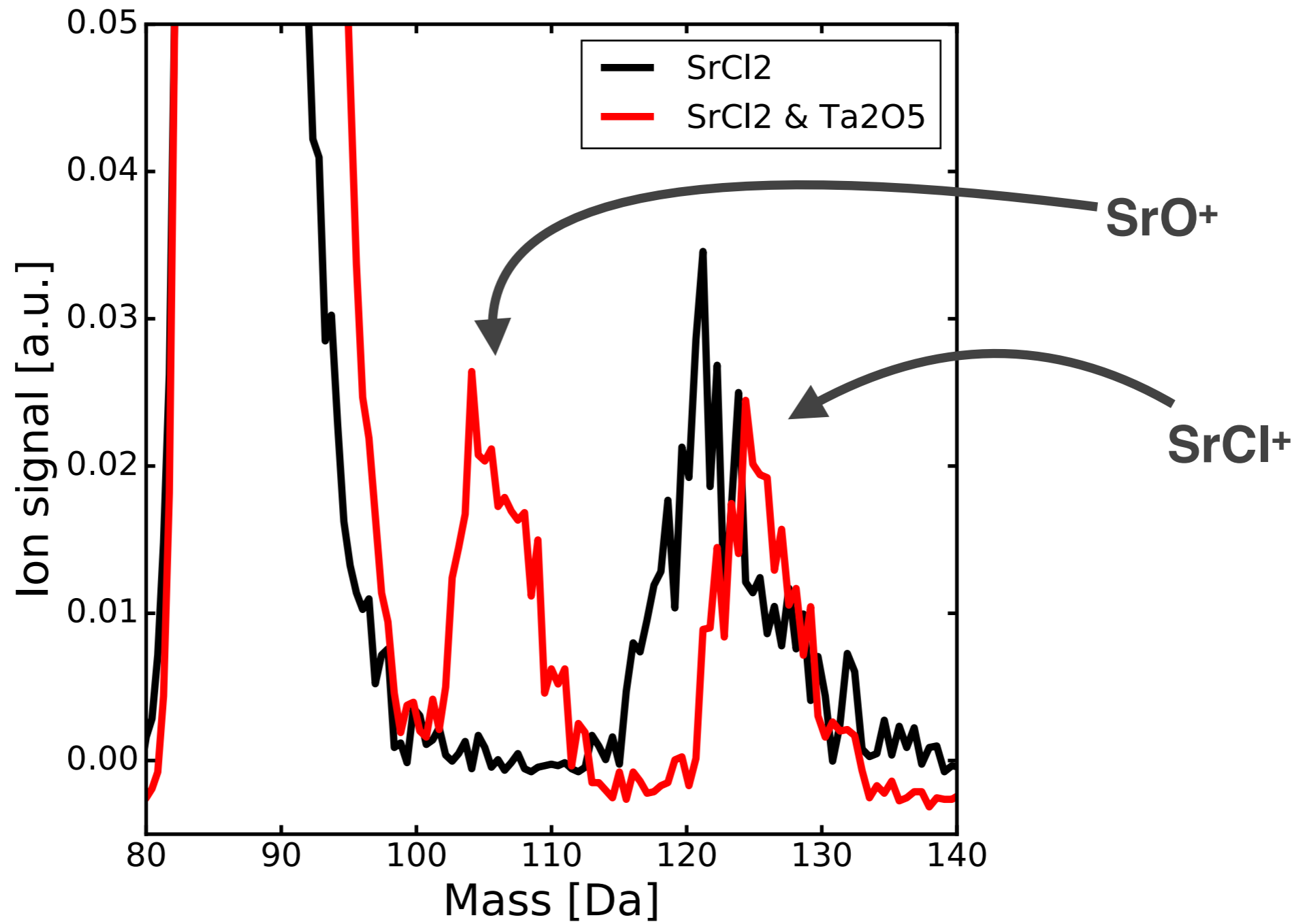


# Time of flight mass spectrometry





# Time of flight mass spectrometry



# Radium

H																	He
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg											Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Cs	Ba		Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
Fr	Ra		Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Ds	Rg	Cn	Nh	Fl	Mc	Lv	Ts	Og

La	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu
Ac	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr

# Atomic parity nonconservation

$$\propto Z^3$$



# Atomic parity nonconservation

- **Constrain Z boson masses arising from new physics**
- **Resolve discrepancies with single previous anapole moment**
- **Meson-nucleon couplings (poorly understood)**
- **Neutron skin**
- **Nuclear matter equation of state**
- **Axions**
- **Muon's anomalous magnetic moment**

$$\geq Z^3$$

Fortson, *PRL* **70**, 2383 (1993)

Haxton *et al.*, *ARNPS* **51**, 261 (2001)

Arkani-Hamed *et al.*, *PRD* **79**, 015014 (2009)

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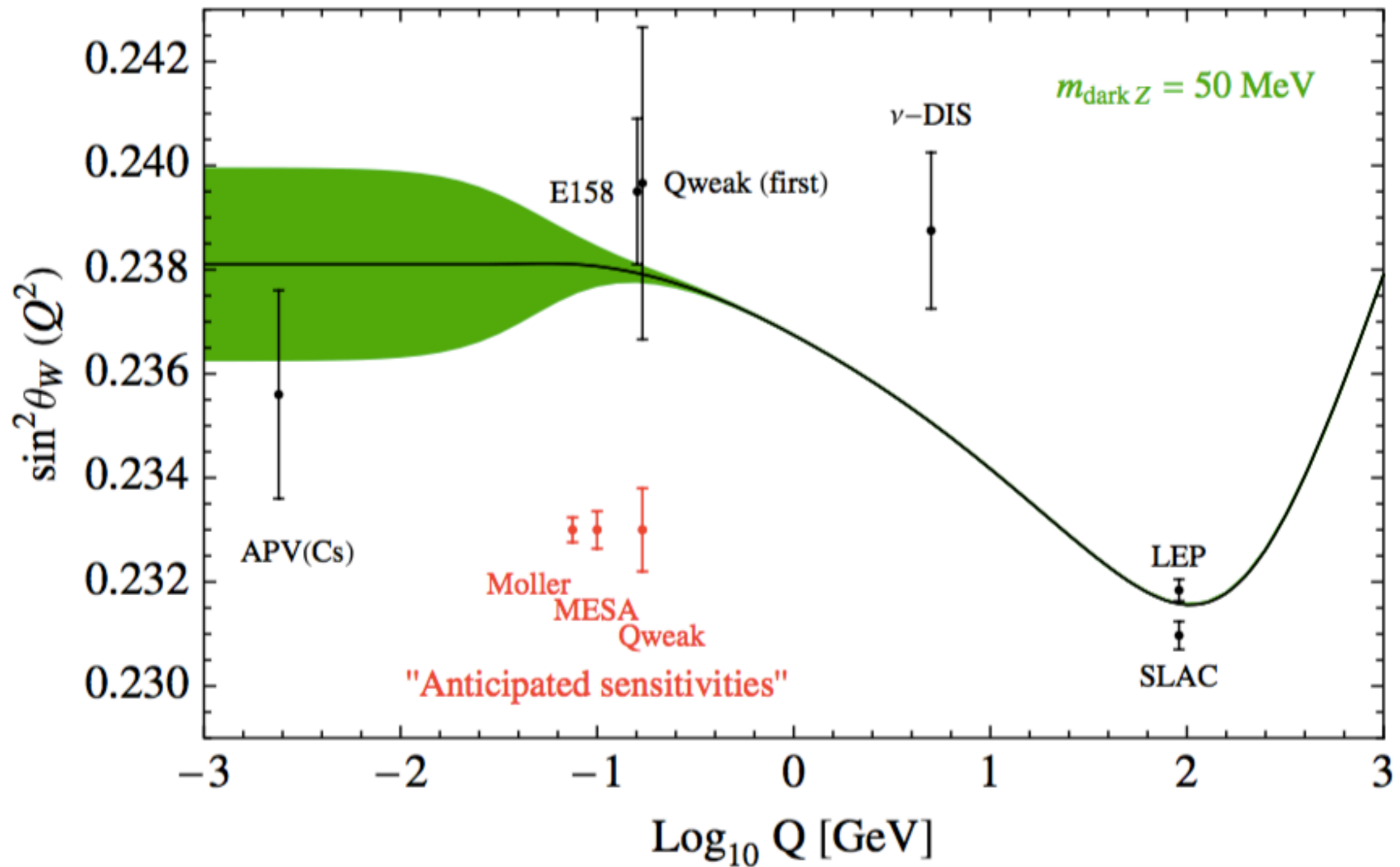
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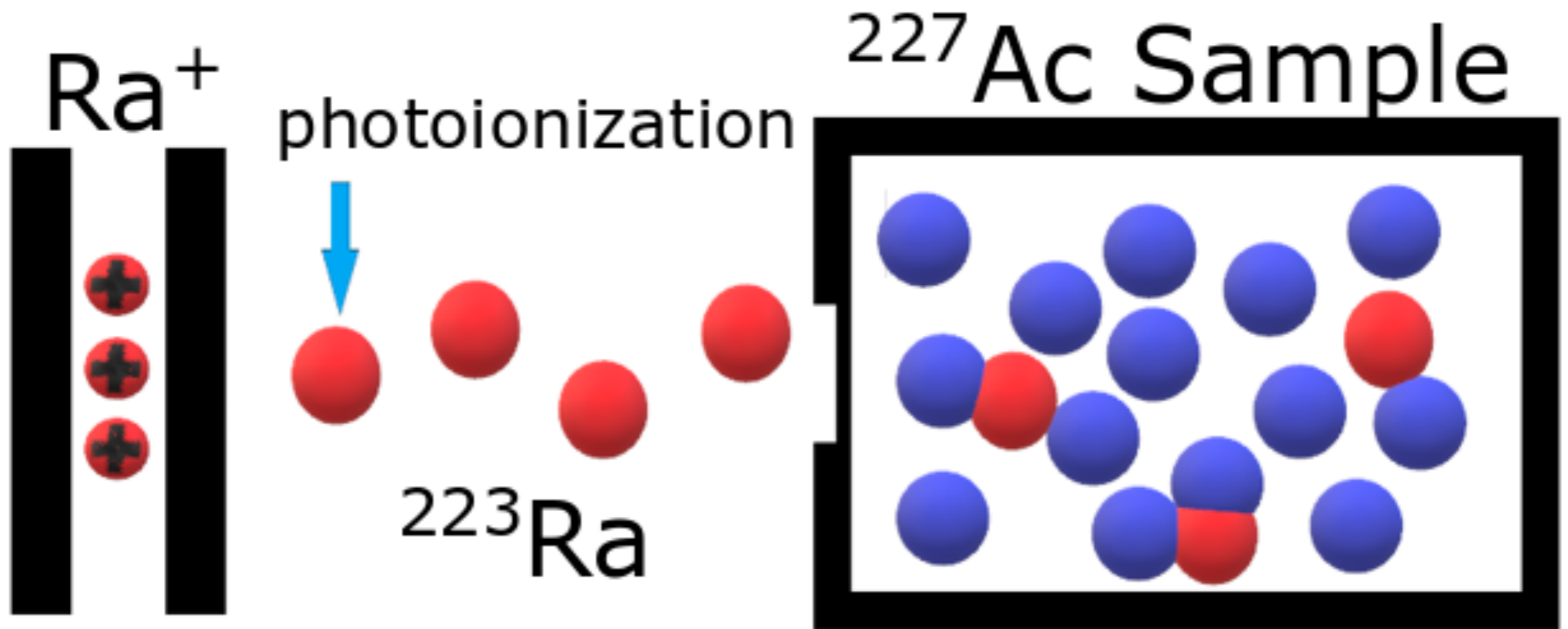
# Atomic parity nonconservation



# Radium isotopes we can use

Radium	half-life	nuclear spin	parent	parent's half-life
223	11.4 d	3/2	Actinium 227	21.8 y
224	3.6 d	0	Thorium 228	1.9 y
225	14.9 d	1/2	Thorium 229	7900 y
226	1600 y	0	-	-
228	5.8 y	0	Thorium 232	10 <sup>10</sup> y

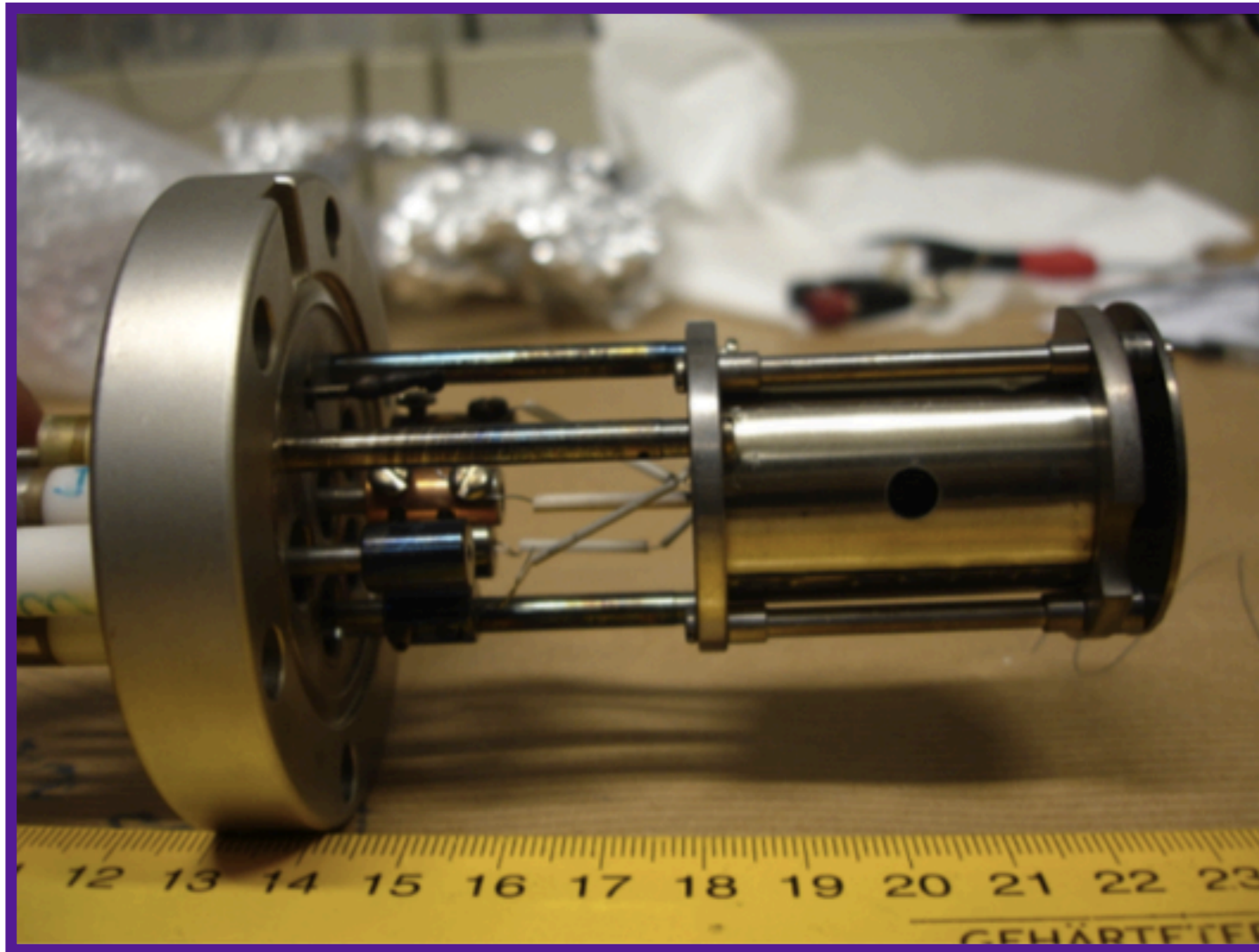
Q: Short half-lives? A: Ion trap



Actinium 22y half-life

# Ra 225 at KVI (oven example)

Thorium 229  $\longrightarrow$  Radium 225

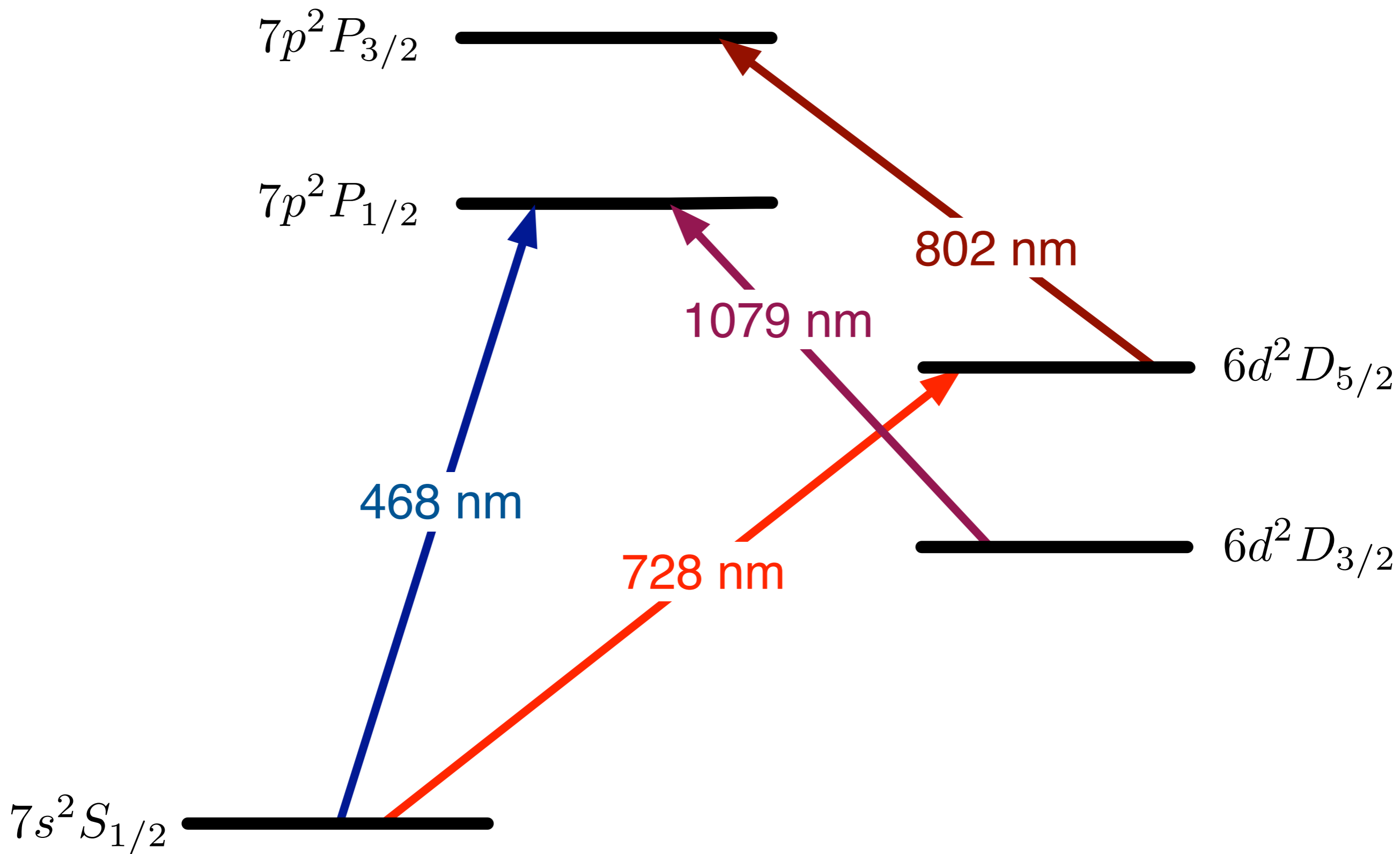


Santra *et al.*, *PRA* **90**, 040501(R) (2014)

Santra, PhD thesis (2013)



# The Radium Ion



# The unknown

$\text{Ra}^+$ state	Lifetime	Branching ratio
$7p^2 P_{1/2}$	?	?
$7p^2 P_{3/2}$	?	?
$6d^2 D_{5/2}$	$\geq 232$ ms	
$6d^2 D_{3/2}$	?	

**(Avg. atomic physicist)**



# Radium radioactivity

$^{226}\text{Ra}$  1600 yr half life

$\alpha$   $\beta$   $\gamma$

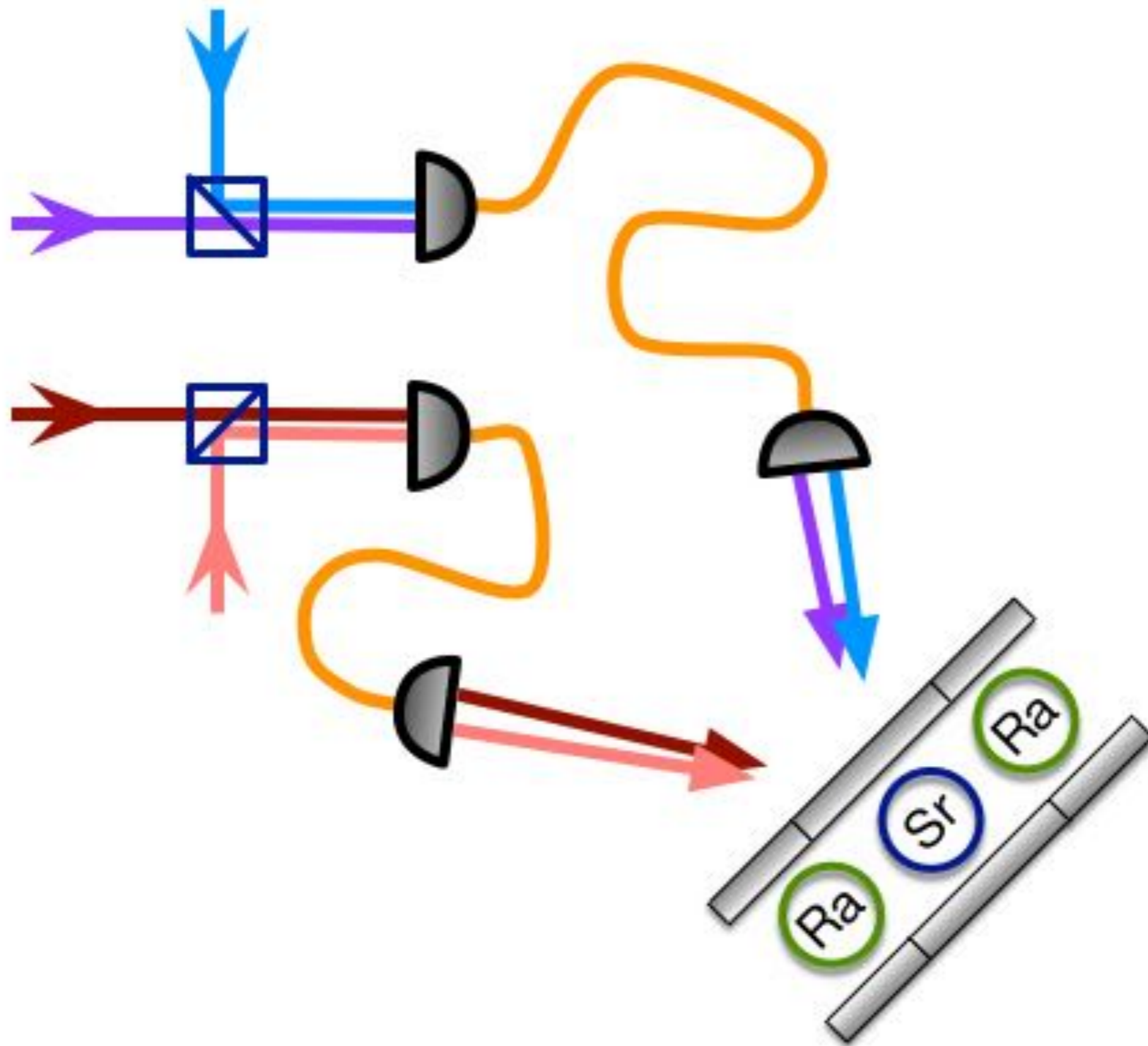
10 micro Curie sample

equivalent: activity of ~50 people

or:

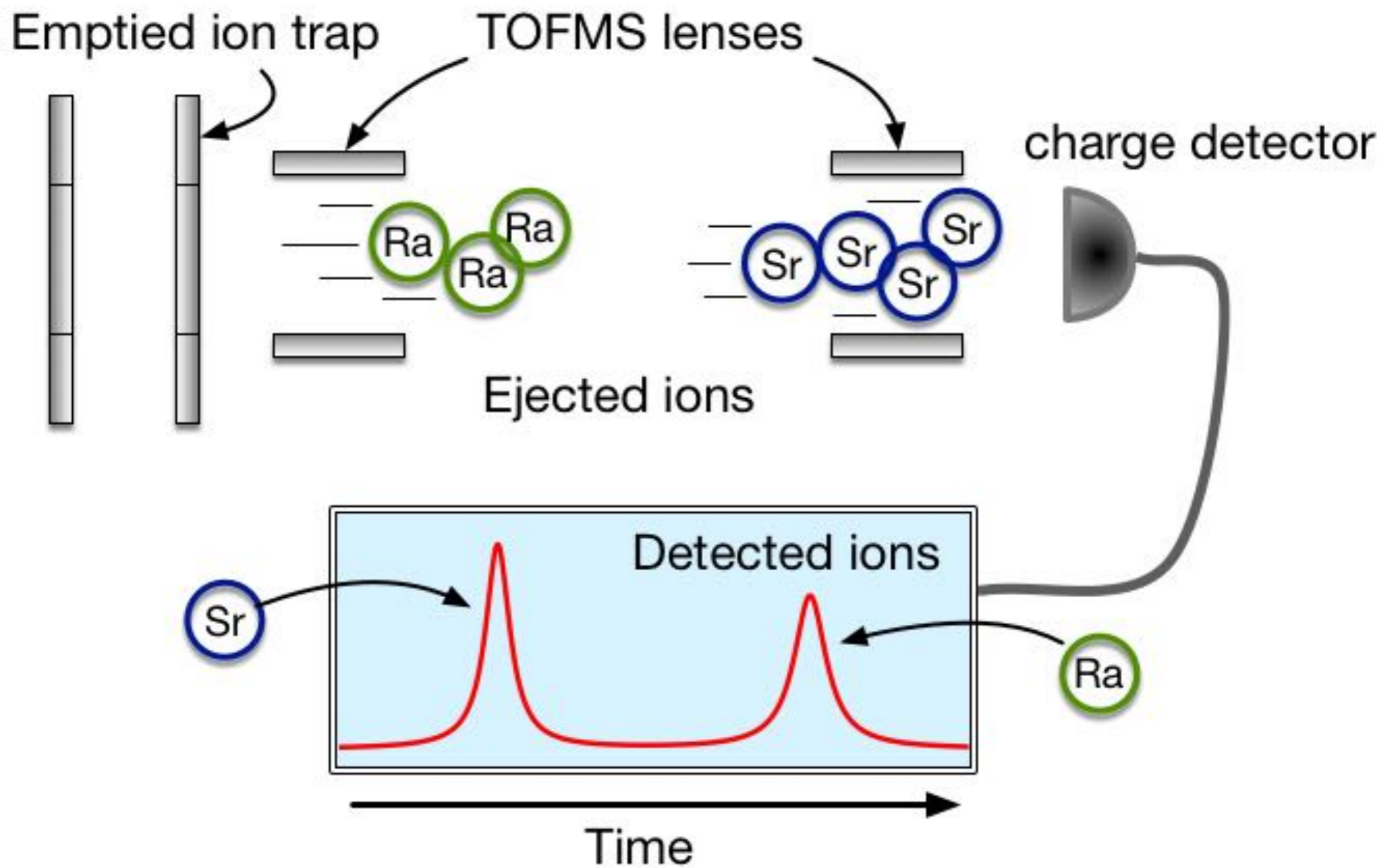


# Co-trap radium with strontium

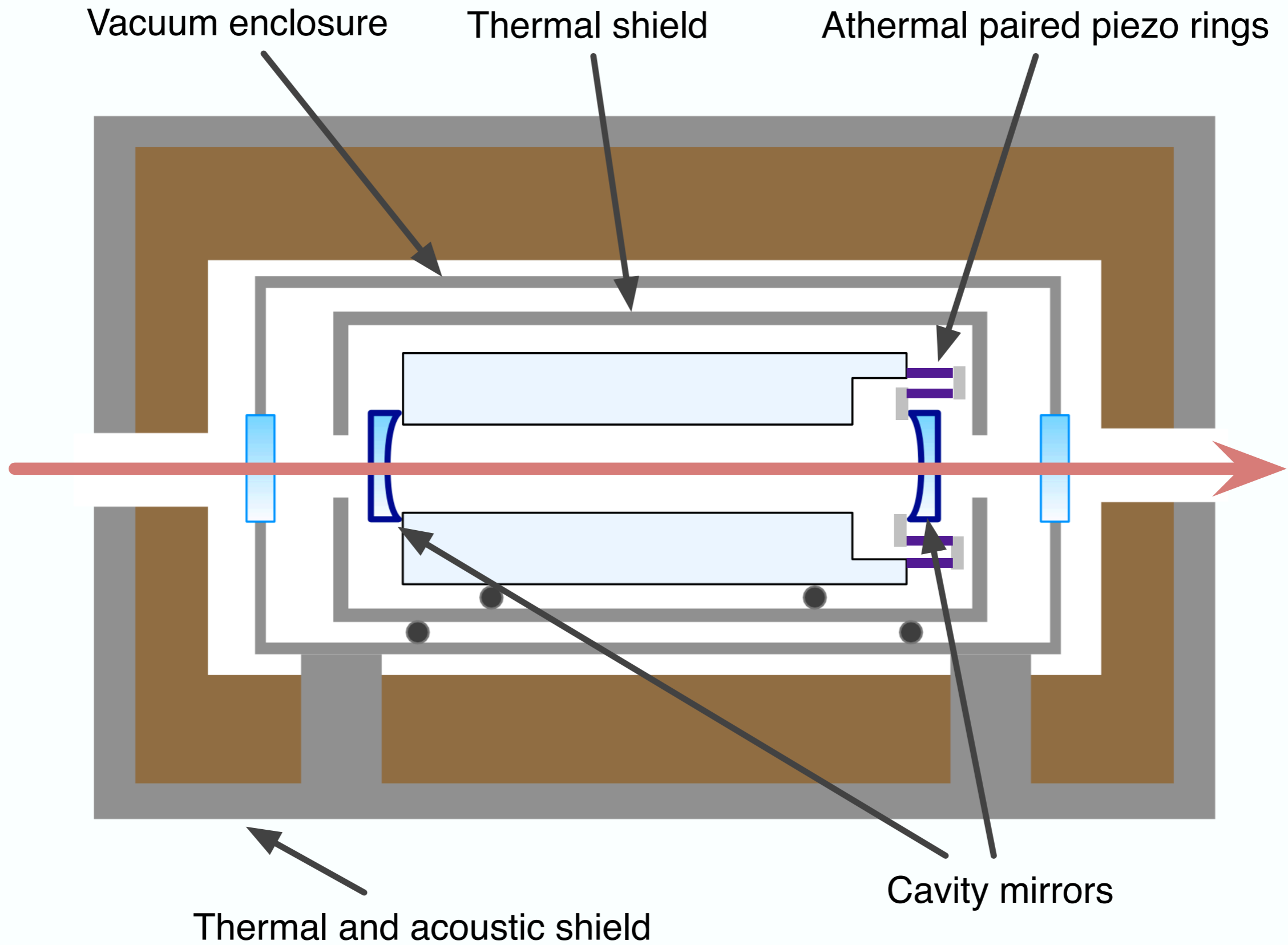




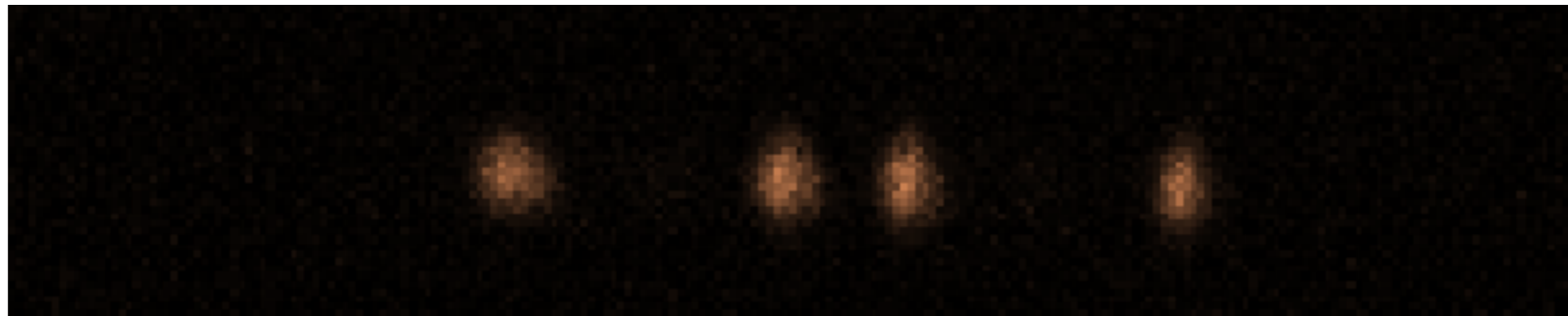
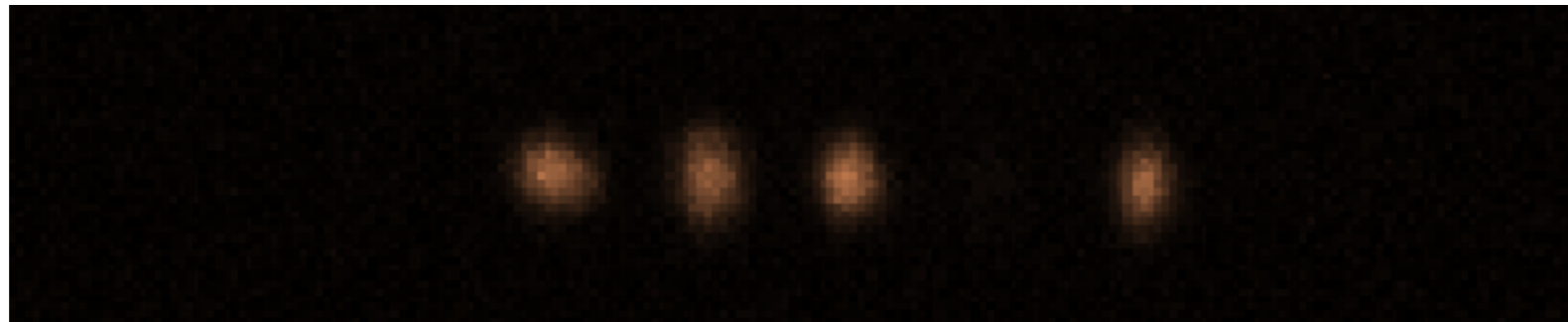
# TOFMS



# Laser stabilization (unique for ions)

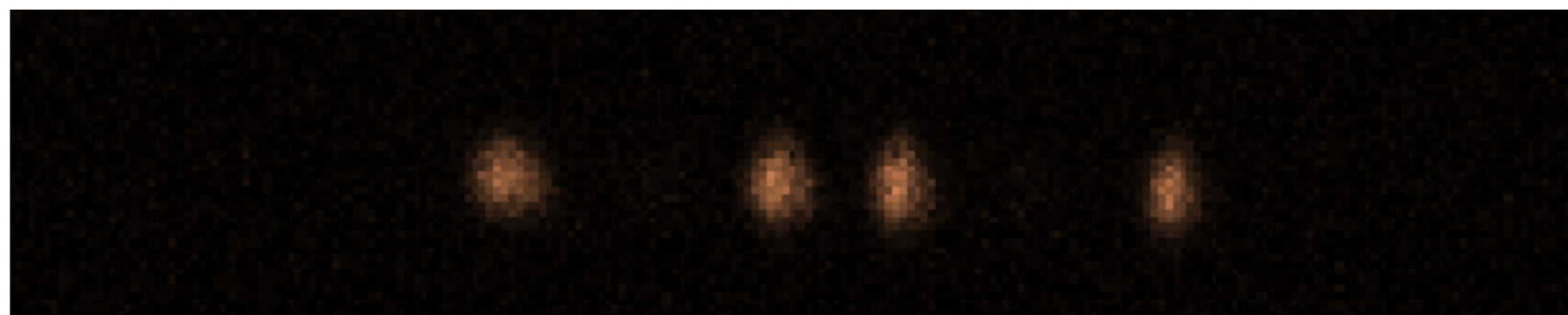
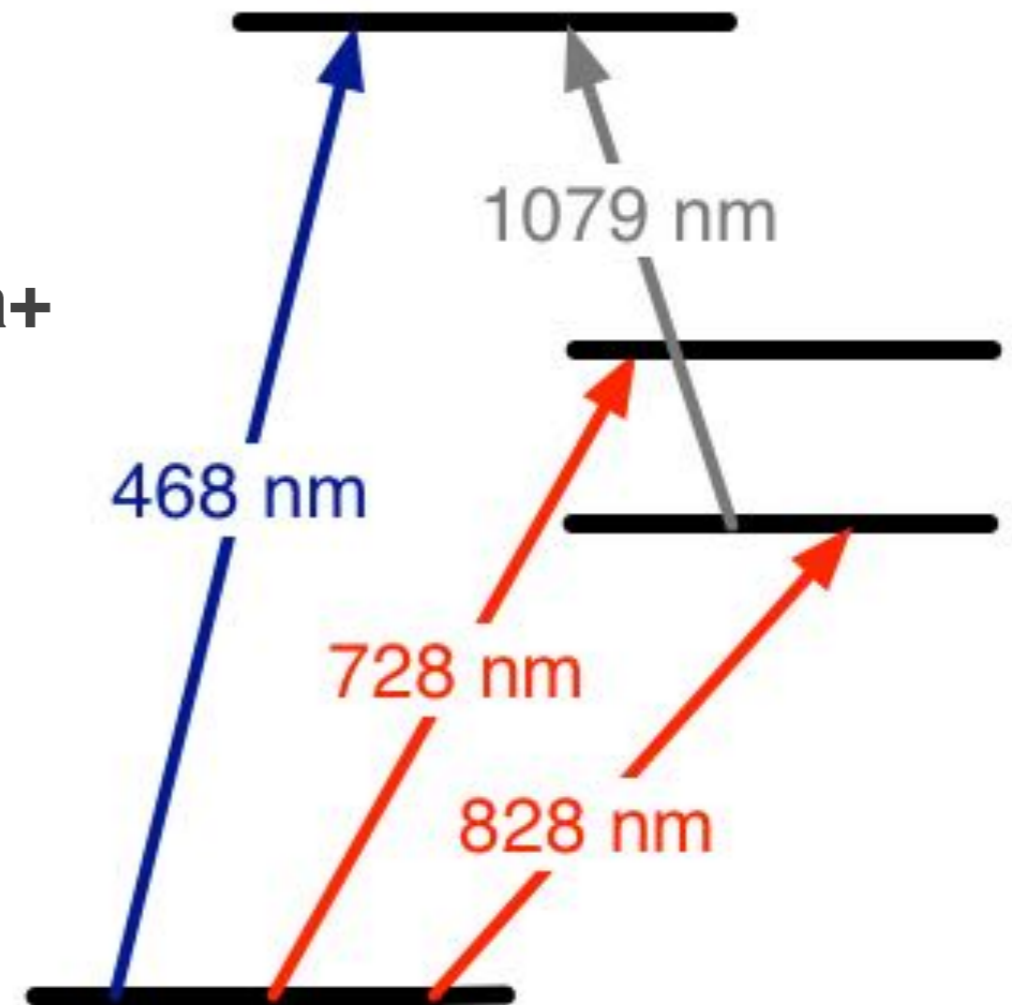


# Expected signal (dark ions)



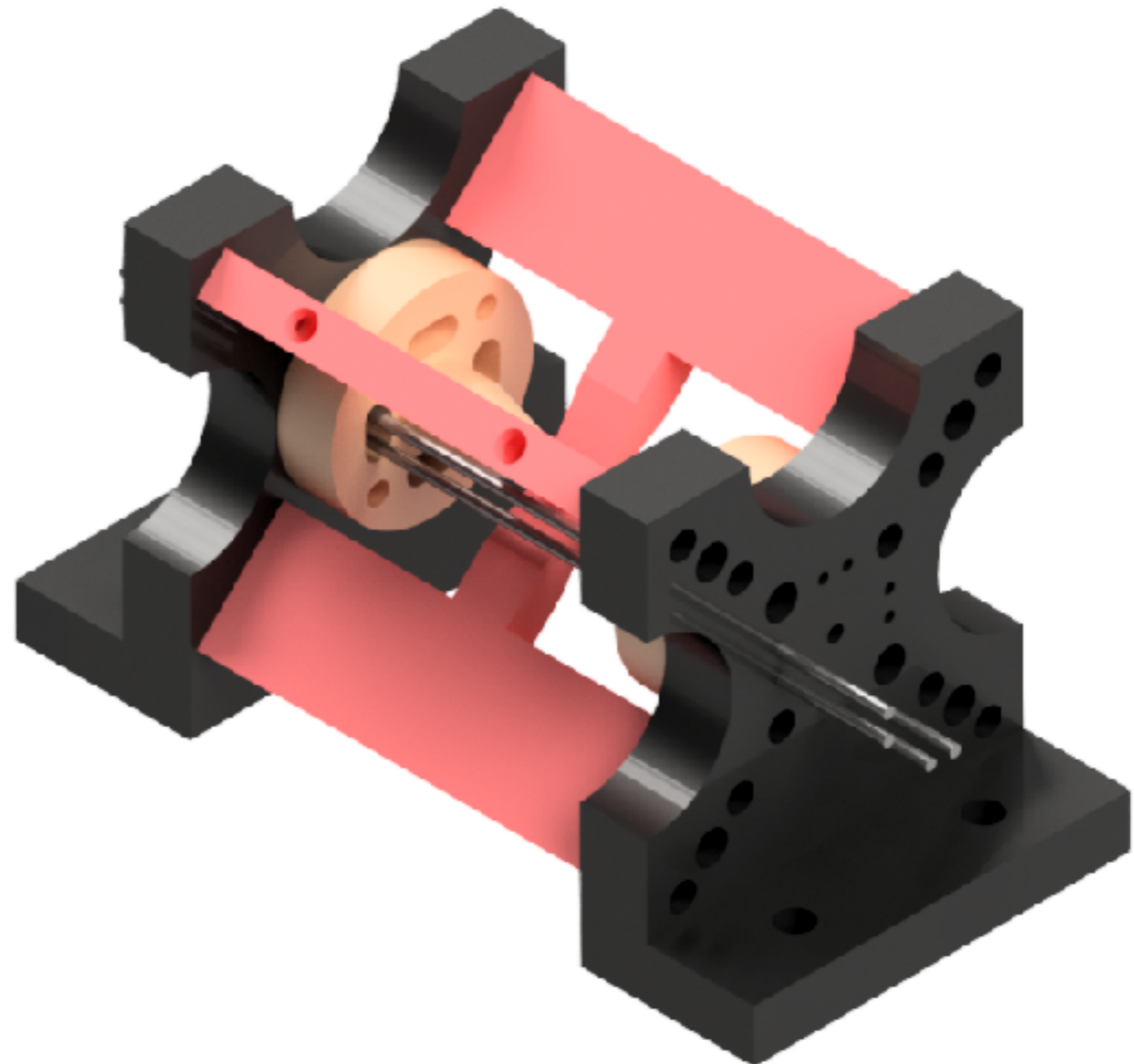
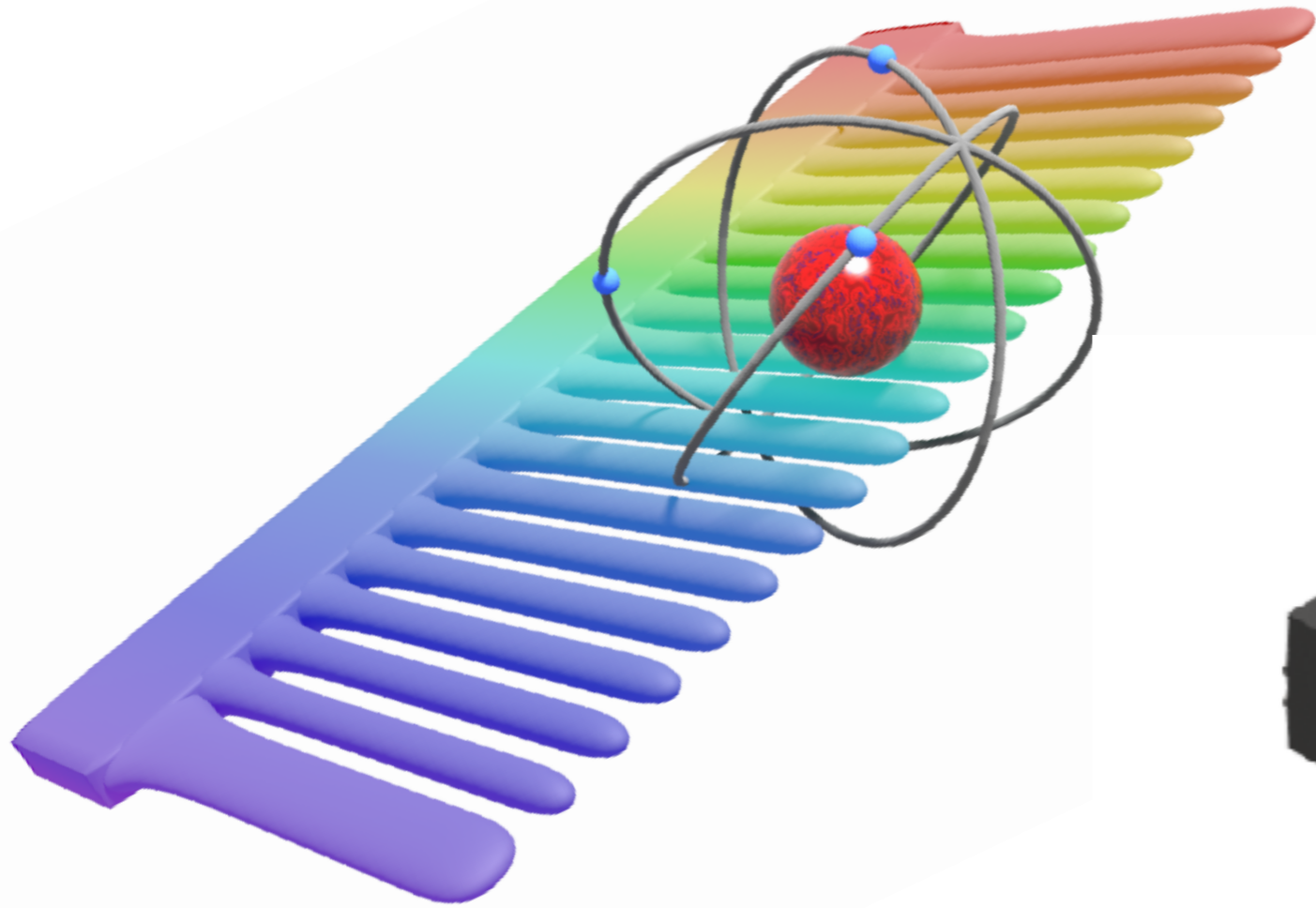
# With cold radium...

- nMQM constraint
- Radium-based molecular ions
- Parity nonconservation
- Optical clocks
- Quantum logic spectroscopy with Ra+
- Co-magnetometry with trapped Sr+
- Potential  $^{225}\text{Ra}^+$  qubit
- Ra EDM measurement





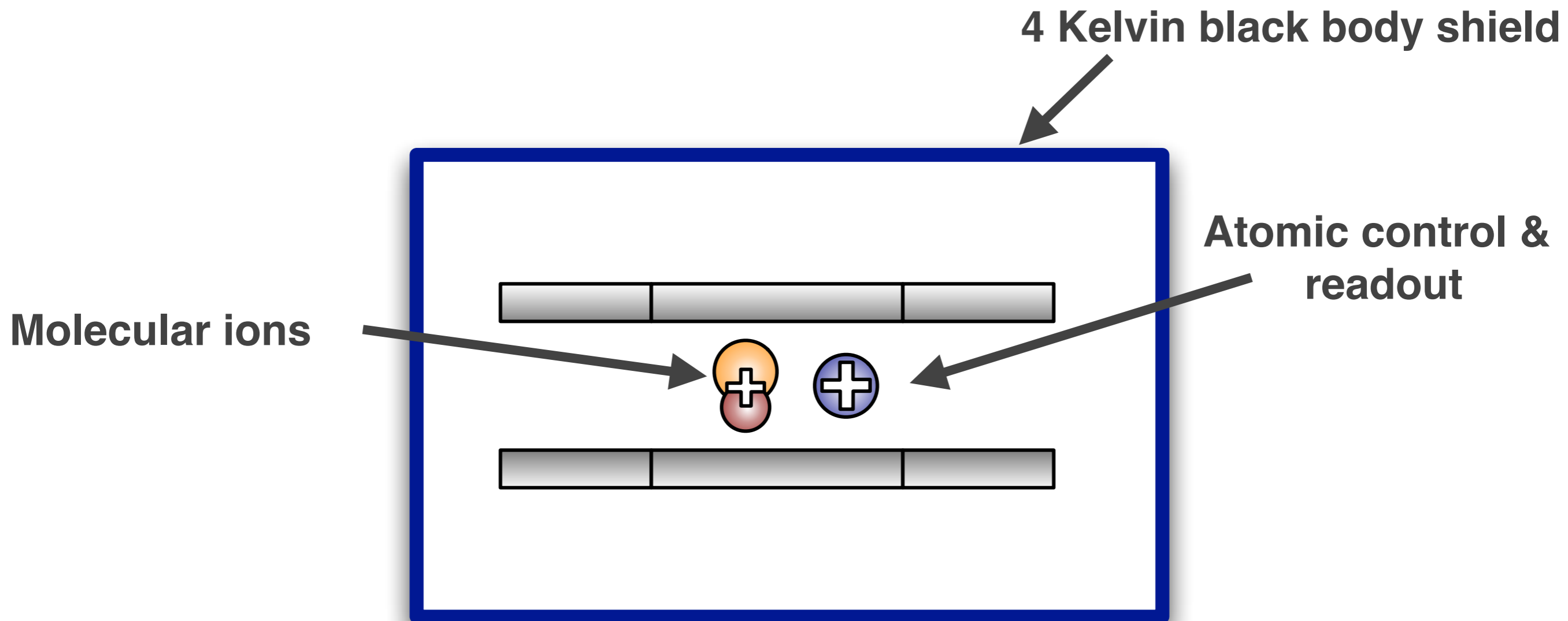
## 2.) Direct frequency comb QL spectroscopy



**Spectroscopy candidates:**

- **Molecular ions**
- **Fe+**
- **Co+**
- **Towards He+**

### 3.) Cryogenic molecular ion trap



**rotational state readout:**

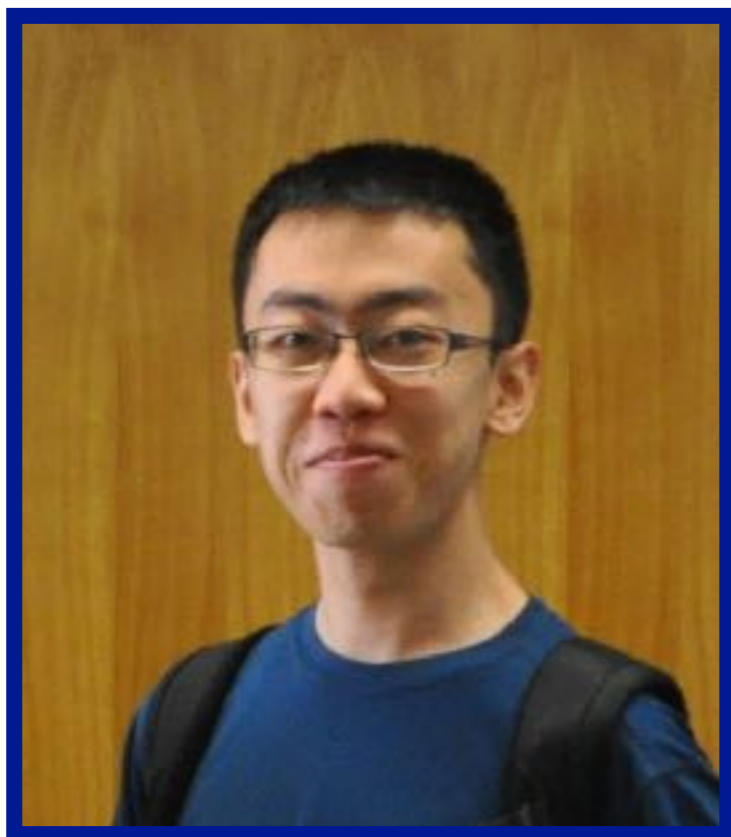
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**cryogenic ion trap:**

Brandl *et al.*, arXiv:1607.04980 (2016)

1 K ~ 20 GHz

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