Measurement of the electric dipole moment (EDM) of ¹⁷¹Yb atoms in an optical dipole trap (ODT)

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Searching for EDM in three different categories

PSI, US, Germany, Japan, KAIST	Neutron, proton	Quark EDM		
U of Washington PTB, Argonne, USTC CENTREX	Nuclear Schiff moment diamagnetic TIF, Hg, Xe, Ra, Yb	Quark chromo-EDM 4 fermions, 3 gluons		New physics beyond SM: SUSY <i>et al</i> .
ACME, JILA Imperial college ECNU	Electron paramagnetic molecules YbF, ThO, PbF HfF ⁺	 Electron-EDM, electron-quark force	H V N	Engel, Ramsey-Musolf, van Kolck, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 71, 21 (2013)

system	Upper limit (e-cm)	method	Value in Standard model (e-cm)
Electron	1 x 10 ⁻²⁹	Molecules – beam	10 ⁻³⁸
Neutron	2 x 10 ⁻²⁶	Neutrons – bottle	10 ⁻³¹
¹⁹⁹ Hg	7 x 10 ⁻³⁰	Atoms – vapor cell	10 ⁻³⁴
¹⁷¹ Yb	This work	Atoms – trap	10 ⁻³⁴

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The Seattle EDM Measurement



stable, high Z, groundstate ${}^{1}S_{0}$, $I = \frac{1}{2}$, high vapor pressure



$$f_{+} = \frac{2\mu B + 2dE}{h} \approx 15 \text{ Hz}$$
$$f_{-} = \frac{2\mu B - 2dE}{h} \approx 15 \text{ Hz}$$
$$|f_{+} - f_{-}| < 25 \text{ pHz}$$

The best limit on atomic EDM EDM (¹⁹⁹Hg) < 7 x 10⁻³⁰ e-cm Graner *et al.*, Phys Rev Lett (2016)



Measure EDM in an Optical Dipole Trap

M.V. Romalis and E.N. Fortson, Phys. Rev. A 59, 4547 (1999)

$$H = -\tilde{d}E = -\frac{1}{4}\alpha E_0^2$$

- Fiber laser: $\lambda = 1036$ nm, Power = 10 Watts
- Focused to 50 μm \rightarrow trap depth 60 μK

EDM in an optical dipole trap (ODT)

- v x E , Berry's phase effects suppressed
- Cold scattering suppressed between cold Fermionic atoms
- Rayleigh scat. rate ~ 10^{-1} s⁻¹ ; Raman scat. rate ~ 10^{-12} s⁻¹
- Vector light shift $\sim \mu Hz$
- Parity mixing induced shift under control
- Conclusion: possible to reach 10⁻³⁰ e cm for ¹⁹⁹Hg

¹⁷¹Yb EDM Apparatus: Trapping + Science



 $\varpi_{+} = 2\mu B + 2dE$ $\boldsymbol{\varpi}_{-} = 2\mu B - 2dE$ $\delta d = \frac{\hbar}{2E\sqrt{\tau N\varepsilon T}}$

- *E*: electric field
- τ : precession time
- *N*: atom number
- ε : spin state detection efficiency
- *T* : time of average



Spin-state detection – conventional method



Bright state: ~ 3 photons before state "demolished" Dark state: no photons, state preserved Bright state: state "demolished"

 $6s6p^{3}P_{1}$

 $6s^{2}S_{c}$

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 σ^+

 $-\frac{1}{2}$ $+\frac{1}{2}$ $+\frac{3}{2}$

Brighter state: cycling, state preserved

 $|e;\frac{3}{2},m_F\rangle$

 $g;\frac{1}{2},m_F\rangle$

Spin-state detection by a QND method

Quantum Non-Demolition





- $\Omega_{probe} \sim 2\pi \times 70 kHz$
- Spin flip suppressed by: $\Omega_c^2/(\Gamma_e \Gamma_c) \sim 10^3$
- Need ODT to be at magic wavelength
 -- T. Zheng, M.S. Safronova *et al.*, PRA (2020)



Dark state:Bright state:no photons,cycling,state preservedstate preserved

Spin-state detection by a QND method

Quantum Non-Demolition



QND reduces measurement noise



- Photons scattered non-QND: $\bar{n} \sim 2.5$ QND: $\bar{n} \sim 23$
- ~19 dB reduction of variance

QND measurement on the spin precession of laser-trapped ¹⁷¹Yb atoms Y.A. Yang *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Applied 19, 054015 (2023)

Long spin coherence time (T₂)





- Vacuum-limited trap lifetime: 75 s
- EDM measurement precession time: 96 s
- Observed precession to: 300 s
- T_2 : (9 ± 4) x 10³ s (2.5±1.1 hr)

Systematic errors

- effects correlated with E-field flipping

Source	Error	
B-field correlations	1.00×10^{-27}	
Parity mixing	0.59×10^{-27}	
Leakage current	0.14×10^{-27}	
ODT power effect	0.09×10^{-27}	
E-squared effect	0.04×10^{-27}	
Total	1.18×10^{-27}	

Parity mixing



Parity mixing

 $\Delta \nu_{F=I+1/2} = \mp \left[\nu_{MD}^{1} (\hat{\boldsymbol{b}} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}) (\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}_{s}) + \nu_{MD}^{2} (\hat{\boldsymbol{b}} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}_{s}) (\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}) \right] m$

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$$\Delta \nu \approx -\frac{\nu_1 + \nu_2}{2} \sin(2\theta), \ (0 \le \theta < \pi)$$



T-even, P-even yet EDM-like

- ε : ac E-field of ODT
- **b** : ac B-field of ODT
- ε_{s} : Static E-field
- $\boldsymbol{\sigma}$: Quantization axis Static B-field

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Parity mixing

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- Average between ODT+ and ODT-
- Residual parity mixing effect: 6×10^{-28} e cm
- Future: better k+ and k- balance in an optical cavity

¹⁷¹Yb EDM measurement results



$$\delta d = \frac{\hbar}{2E\tau\sqrt{n}}\sqrt{\frac{1}{N_a\epsilon_d} + \sigma_{\phi(\delta B)}^2}$$

E: 73 *kV/cm*

τ: 96 *s*

N: 6×10^4

 ϵ_d : ~50%

T:510 h (22 d)

$$\sigma_{\phi(\delta B)}^2 \approx 4 \times \frac{1}{N_a \epsilon_d}$$

 $d(^{171}\text{Yb}) = (-6.8 \pm 5.1_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.2_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-27} \text{ e cm}$

Upper limit (95%) : $|d(^{171}\text{Yb})| < 1.5 \times 10^{-26} \text{ e cm}$

Measurement of the EDM of 171 Yb atoms in an ODT T.A. Zheng *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. 129, 083001 (2022)

Upper limits on Schiff moments

Diamagnetic system	²⁰⁵ Tl ¹⁹ F	¹⁹⁹ Hg	¹²⁹ Xe	²²⁵ Ra	¹⁷¹ Yb
Upper limit of EDM (E-26 e cm)	6500 [Yale-1991]	7.4×10^{-4} [U of Washington-2016]	0.14 [PTB-2019]	1400 [Argonne-2016]	1.5 [USTC-2022]
Upper limit of Schiff moment (e fm ³)* 10 ¹⁰	8.8	2.6×10^{-3}	5.2	1700	7.9
Calculation of Schiff moment (e fm ³)* 10 ⁸	1.2 $\eta_{\rm pp} - 1.4 \eta_{\rm pn}$ [Flambaum-86]	$-1.4 \eta_{\rm np}$ [Flambaum-86]	1.75 η _{np} [Flambaum-86]	$300 \eta_{n},$ 1100η [Flambaum-03, Auerbach-96]	$\sim -1.4 \eta_{np}$ [Dzuba-07]

- The first ¹⁷¹Yb EDM result contributes to constraining BSM physics: on the same order of as ¹²⁹Xe, ²²⁵Ra, ²⁰⁵Tl¹⁹F, although lagging ¹⁹⁹Hg.
- The global analysis of EDM results requires different systems with complementary sensitivities to BSM parameters, rather than ¹⁹⁹Hg alone.

Outlook #1

Upgrade: ¹⁷¹Yb EDM precision improves into E-28 e-cm

- Larger E-field
 Less B-field noise
- Longer trap lifetime

Optical cavity

E-field

- This work: 73 kV/cm, copper electrodes
- Test setup: 200 kV/cm, copper
- Other works: 500 kV/cm, niobium Ready, et al. NIM A (2021)

B-field

- This work: ~ 3 pT over 100 s, Seebeck effect due to ODT heating
- Environmental noise: ~ 1 pT, use magnetometers
- Johnson noise: ~ 0.6 pT, use co-magnetometer (¹⁷³Yb)

EDM of ²²⁵Ra enhanced and more reliably calculated

- Closely spaced parity doublet Haxton & Henley, PRL (1983)
- Large Schiff moment due to octupole deformation Auerbach, Flambaum & Spevak, PRL (1996)
- Relativistic atomic structure (²²⁵Ra / ¹⁹⁹Hg ~ 3) Dzuba, Flambaum, Ginges, Kozlov, PRA (2002)



Schiff _moment =
$$\sum_{i \neq 0} \frac{\langle \psi_0 | \hat{S}_z | \psi_i \rangle \langle \psi_i | \hat{H}_{PT} | \psi_0 \rangle}{E_0 - E_i} + c.c.$$

Enhancement Factor: EDM (²²⁵Ra) / EDM (¹⁹⁹Hg)

	Isoscalar	Isovector
Skyrme SIII	300	4000
Skyrme SkM*	300	2000
Skyrme SLy4	700	8000

Schiff moment of ²²⁵Ra, Dobaczewski, Engel, PRL (2005) Schiff moment of ¹⁹⁹Hg, Dobaczewski, Engel et al., PRC (2010)

"[Nuclear structure] calculations in Ra are almost certainly more reliable than those in Hg." – Engel, Ramsey-Musolf, van Kolck, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. (2013) Constraining parameters in a global EDM analysis. – Chupp, Ramsey-Musolf, arXiv1407.1064 (2014)

Outlook #2







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