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Quantum Technologies for New-physics Discoveries



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Extraordinary progress in the control of atoms and ions

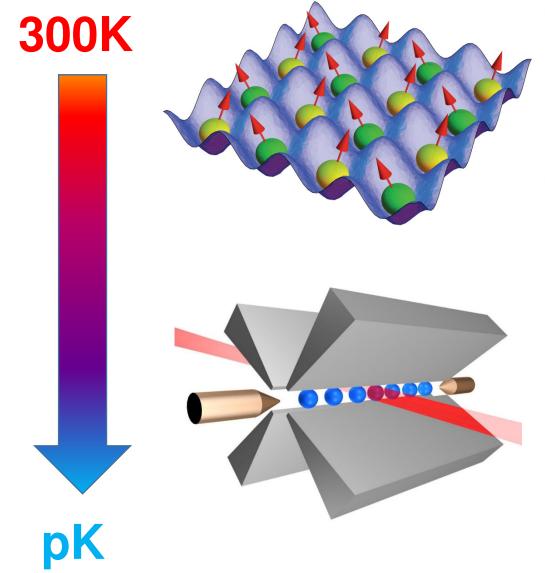
1997 Nobel Prize Laser cooling and trapping

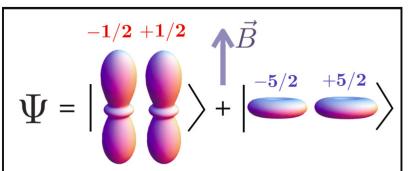
2001 Nobel Prize

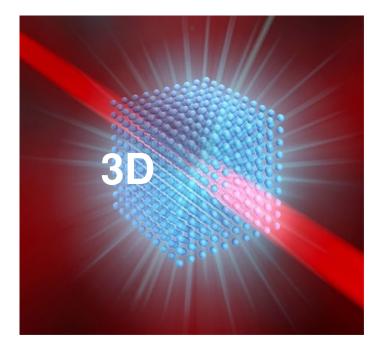
Bose-Einstein Condensation

2005 Nobel Prize Frequency combs

2012 Nobel prizeQuantum control







Precisely controlled

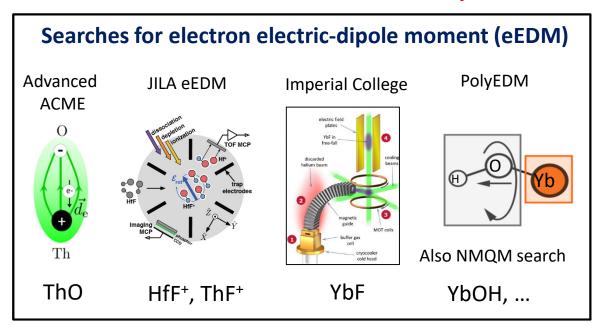
Atoms are now:

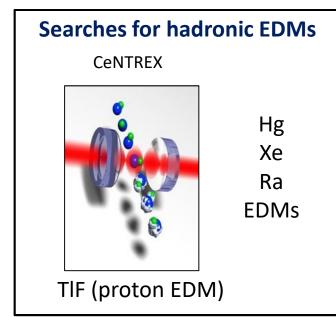
Ultracold

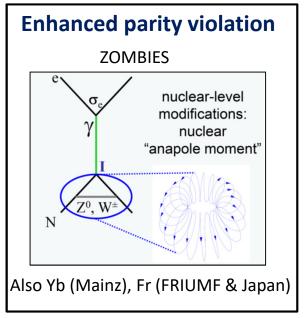
Trapped

Searches for BSM physics with Atomic, Molecular, and Optical (AMO) Physics

Fundamental symmetries with quantum science techniques







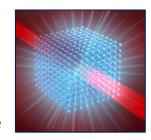
Rapid advances in ultracold molecule cooling and trapping; polyatomic molecules; future: molecules with Ra & "spin squeezed" entangled states

Atomic and Nuclear Clocks & Cavities

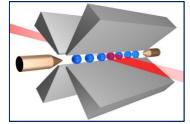
Major clock & cavities R&D efforts below, also molecular clocks, portable clocks and optical links

BSM searches with clocks

- Searches for variations of fundamental constants
- Ultralight scalar dark matter & relaxion searches
- Tests of general relativity
- Searches for violation of the equivalence principle
- Searches for the Lorentz violation



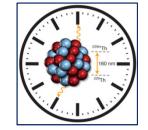
3D lattice clocks



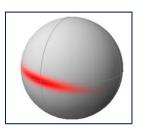
Multi-ion & entangled clocks



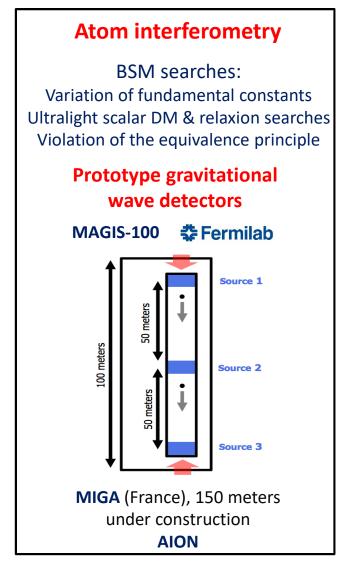
Ultrastable optical cavities



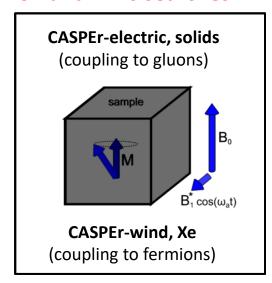
Nuclear & highly charge ion clocks

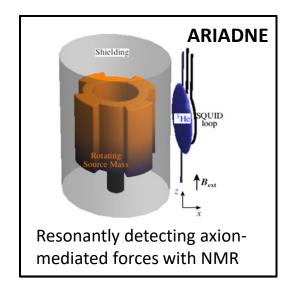


Measurements beyond the quantum limit

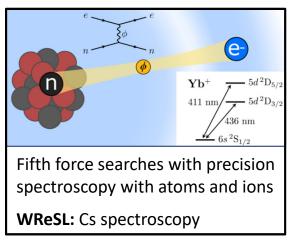


Axion and ALPs searches





Other dark matter & new force searches



Preamplifier I

Cavity Solenoid

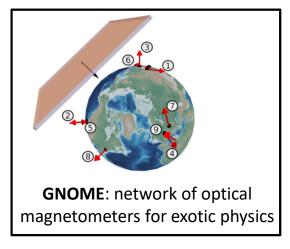
quantum limits

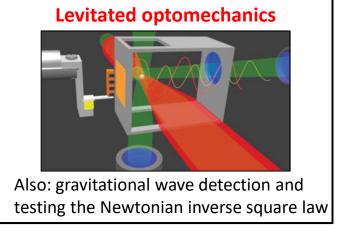
Local Oscillator

Microwave cavities: HAYSTAC

AMO: measurements beyond

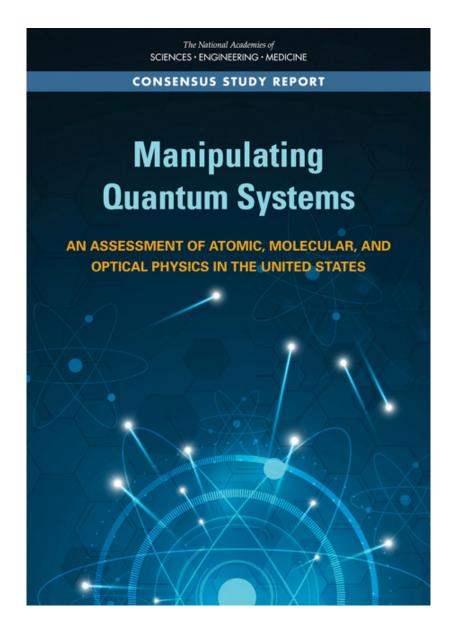
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Many other current & future experiments: tests of the gravity-quantum interface, and HUNTER (AMO sterile neutrino search), SHAFT, ORGAN & UPLOAD (axions), solid-state directional detection with NV centers (WIMPs), doped cryocrystals for EDMs, Rydberg atoms, tests of QED, ...

2020 USA Decadal Assessment and Outlook Report on AMO Science and other recourses



PDF and html versions are available (free) online: https://www.nationalacademies.org/amo

Chapter 6
PRECISION FRONTIER AND FUNDAMENTAL NATURE OF
THE UNIVERSE

Recent review:

Search for new physics with atoms and molecules, M. S. Safronova, D. Budker, D. DeMille, Derek F. Jackson-Kimball, A. Derevianko, and Charles W. Clark, Rev. Mod. Phys. 90, 025008 (2018). **106 pages, over 1100 references**

Focus Issue in Quantum Science and Technology Quantum Sensors for New-Physics Discoveries

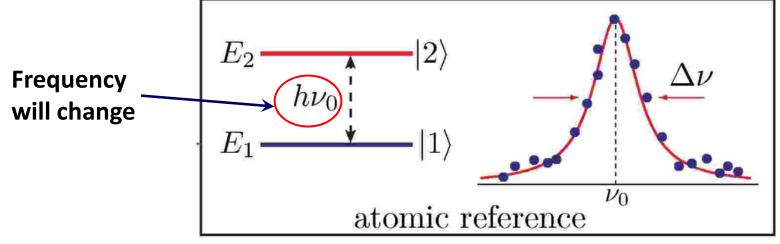
Editors: Marianna Safronova and Dmitry Budker

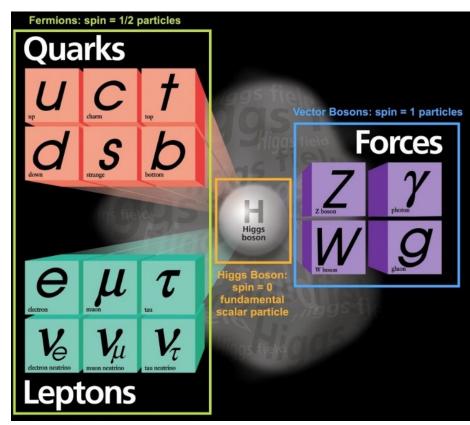
https://iopscience.iop.org/journal/2058-9565/page/Focus-on-Quantum-Sensors-for-New-Physics-Discoveries

Search for physics beyond the standard model with atomic clocks

Atomic clocks can measure and compare frequencies to exceptional precisions!

If fundamental constants change (now) due to for various "new physics" effects atomic clock may be able to detect it.

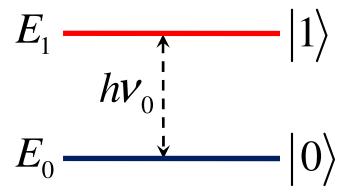




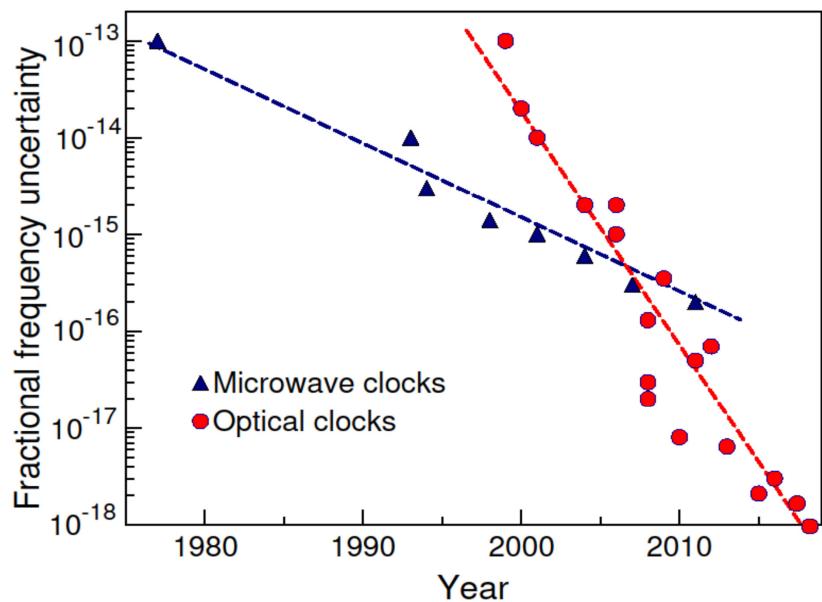
BEYOND THE STANDARD MODEL?

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GPS satellites: microwave atomic clocks Accuracy: 0.1 ns



Optical atomic clocks will not lose one second in **30 billion years**

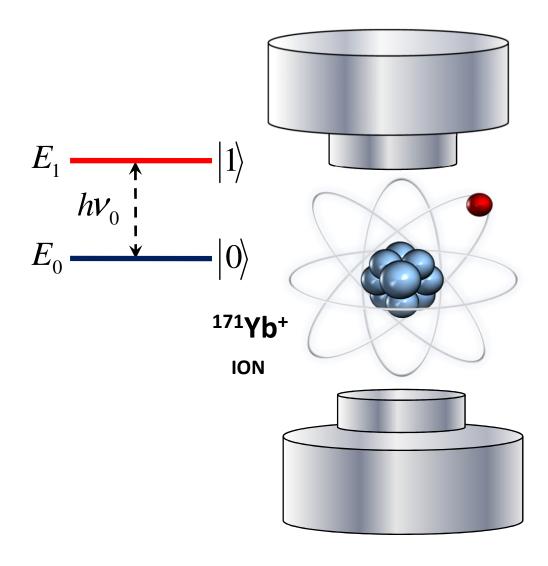


Ingredients for an atomic clock

1. Atoms are all the same and will oscillate at exactly the same frequency (in the same environment):

You now have a perfect oscillator!

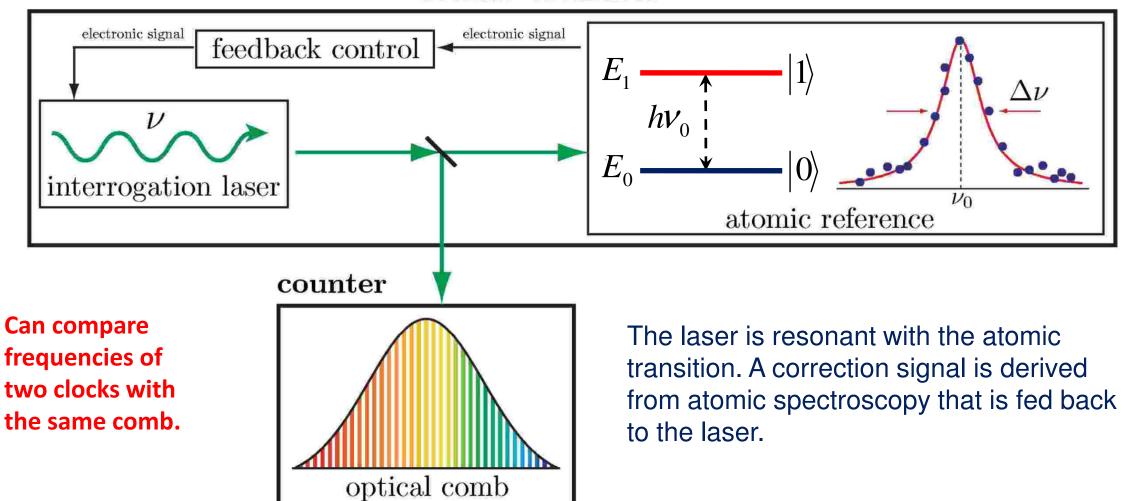
- 2. Take a sample of atoms (or just one)
- 3. Build a laser in resonance with this atomic frequency
- 4. Count cycles of this signal





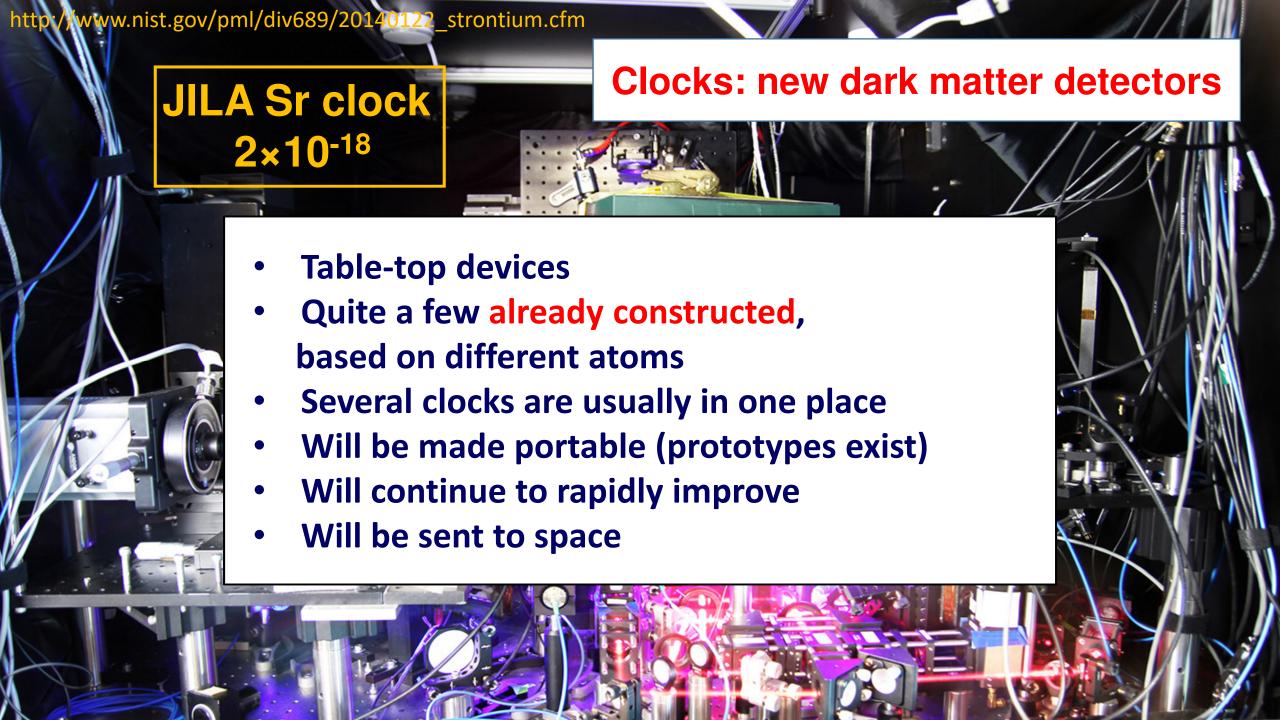
How optical atomic clock works

atomic oscillator



An optical frequency synthesizer (optical frequency comb) is used to divide the optical frequency down to countable microwave or radio frequency signals.

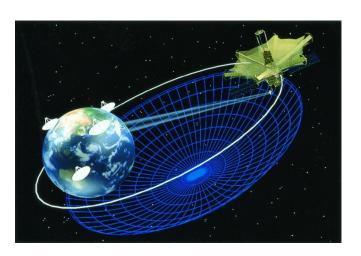
From: Poli et al. "Optical atomic clocks", La rivista del Nuovo Cimento 36, 555 (2018) arXiv:1401.2378v2



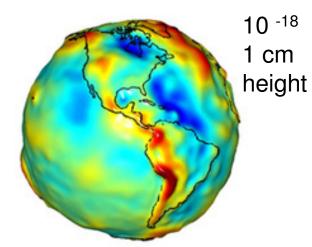
Applications of atomic clocks



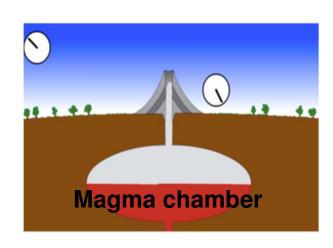
GPS, deep space probes



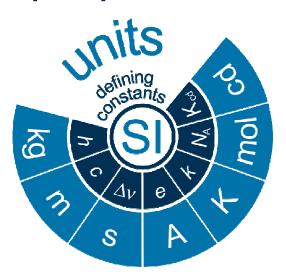
Very Long Baseline Interferometry



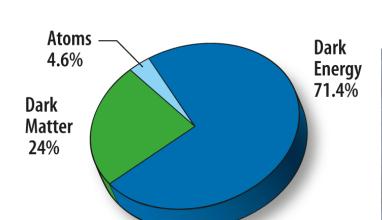
Relativistic geodesy



Gravity Sensor



Quantum simulation

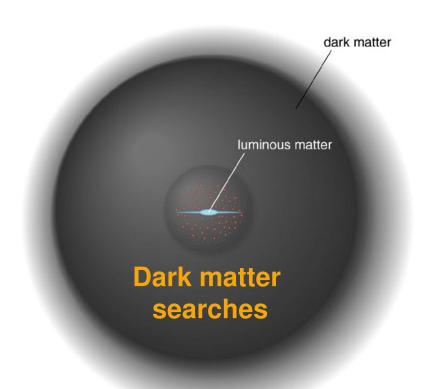


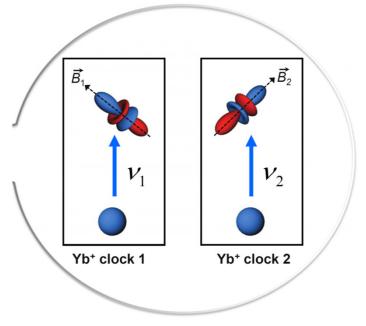
Searches for physics beyond the Standard Model

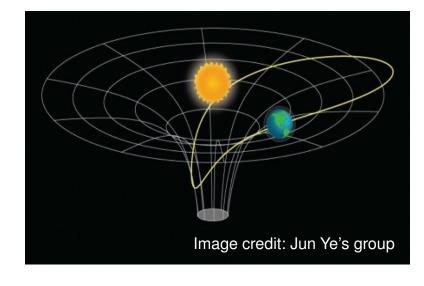
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Search for physics beyond the Standard Model with atomic clocks



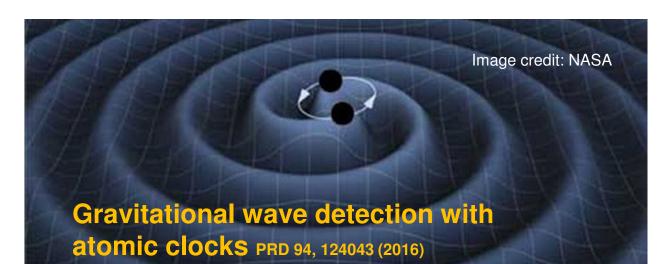




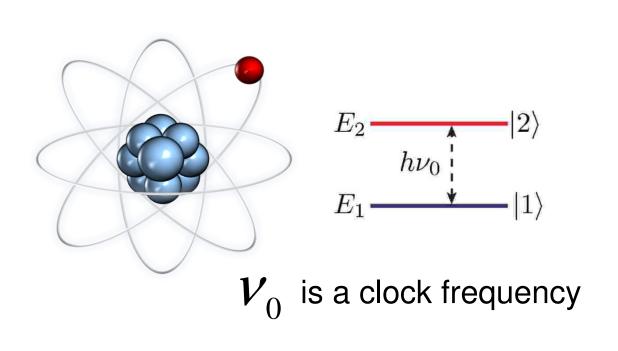
Search for the violation of Lorentz invariance

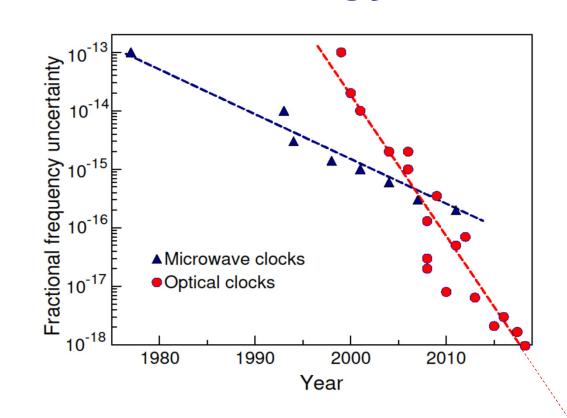
Tests of the equivalence principle

Are fundamental CC constants constant?



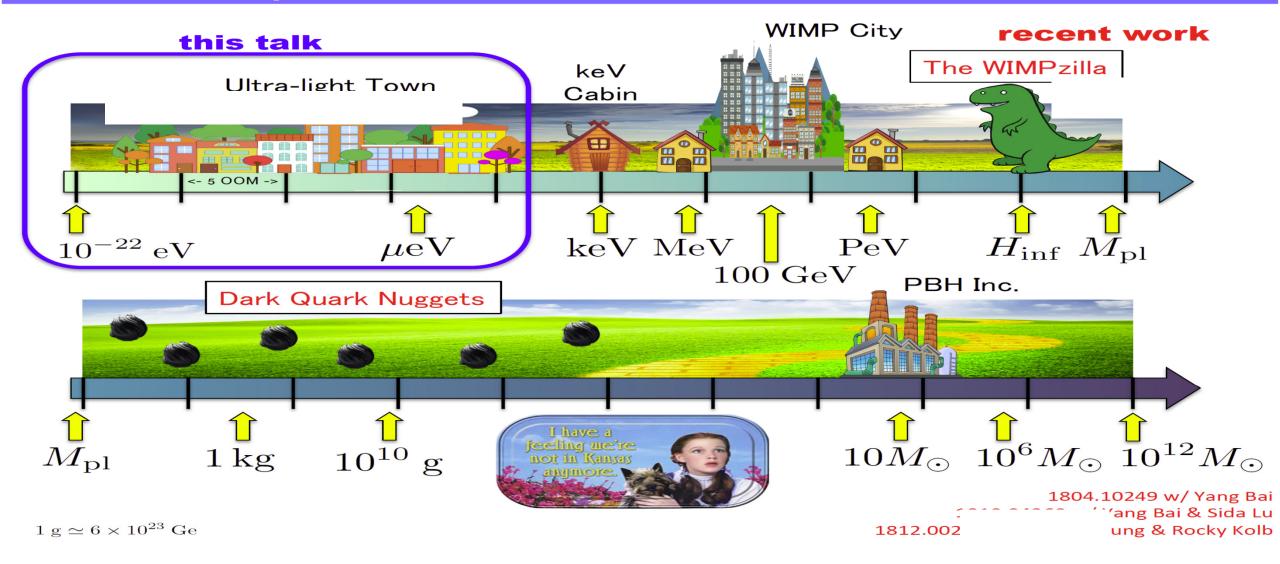
Dark matter can affects atomic energy levels

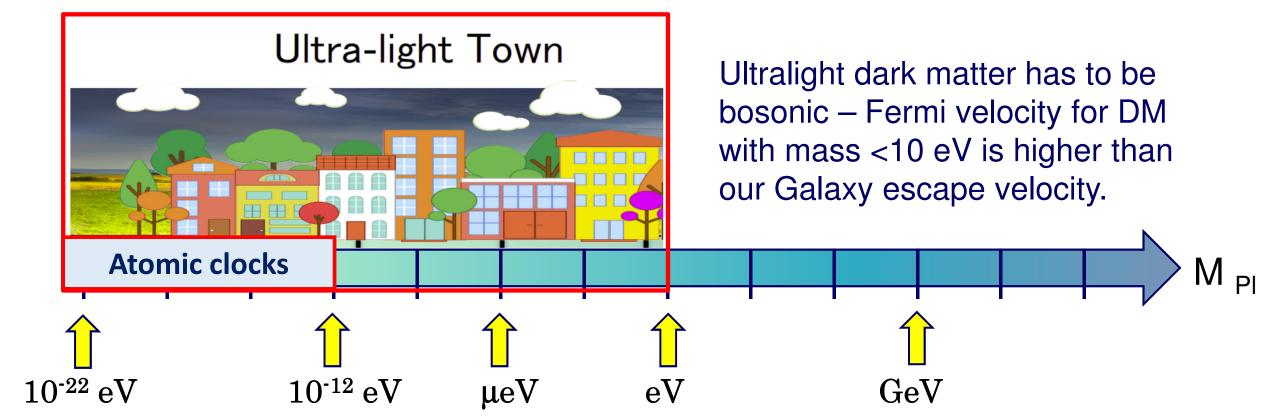




What dark matter can you detect if you can measure changes in atomic/nuclear frequencies to 19-20 digits?

The landscape of dark matter masses

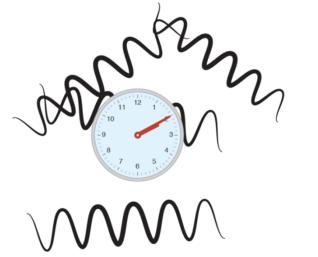




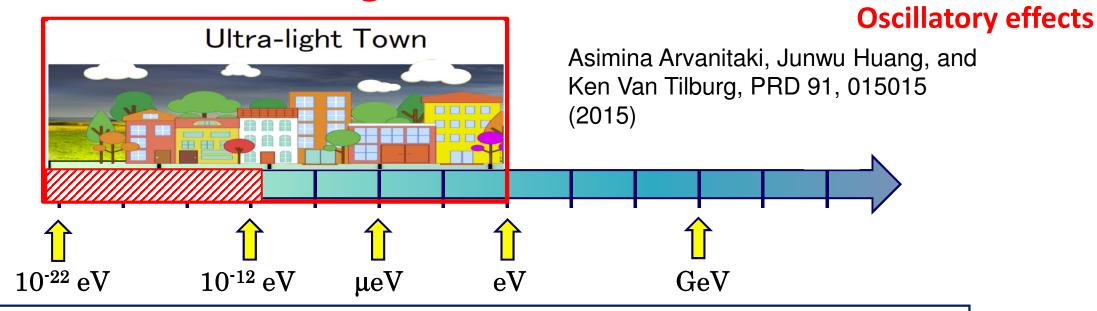
Dark matter density in our Galaxy > λ_{dB}^{-3} λ_{dB} is the de Broglie wavelength of the particle.

Then, the scalar dark matter exhibits coherence and behaves

like a wave
$$\phi(t) = \phi_0 \cos \left(m_{\phi} t + \bar{k}_{\psi} \times \bar{x} + \dots \right)$$



How to detect ultralight dark matter with clocks?



Dark matter field
$$\phi(t) = \phi_0 \cos \left(m_{\phi} t + \bar{k}_{\phi} \times \bar{x} + \dots \right)$$

couples to electromagnetic interaction and "normal matter"

It will make fundamental coupling constants and mass ratios oscillate

Atomic & nuclear energy levels will oscillate so clock frequencies will oscillate

Can be detected with monitoring ratios of clock frequencies over time (or clock/cavity).

Ultralight dark matter

$$\frac{\phi}{M^*}\mathcal{O}_{\text{SM}} \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{\phi} = \kappa \phi \left[+ \frac{d_e}{4e^2} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \dots \right] \qquad \alpha = \alpha^{\text{SM}} + \delta \alpha$$
photons

Dark matter

$$\phi(t) = \phi_0 \cos\left(m_\phi t + \bar{k}_\phi \times \bar{x} + \ldots\right)$$
 Then, clock frequencies will oscillate!

DM virial velocities ~ 300 km/s

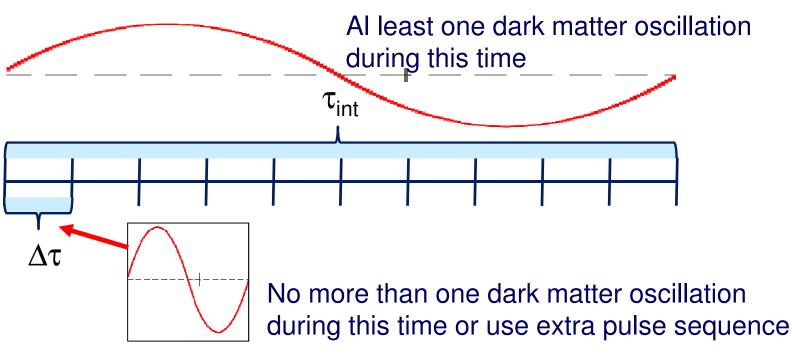
Measure clock frequency ratios:
$$\frac{\delta(\nu_2/\nu_1)}{(\nu_2/\nu_1)} \simeq d_e K_2 - K_1)\kappa\phi(t)$$

Result: plot couplings d_e vs. DM mass m_f

Sensitivity factors to α -variation

Clock measurement protocols for the dark matter detection

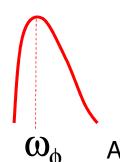
Single clock ratio measurement: averaging over time τ_1 Make N such measurements, preferably regularly spaced



τ [s]	$f = 2\pi/m_{\phi} [\mathrm{Hz}]$	$m_{\phi} \; [\mathrm{eV}]$
10^{-6}	1 MHz	4×10^{-9}
10^{-3}	$1~\mathrm{kHz}$	4×10^{-12}
1	1	4×10^{-15}
1000	$1~\mathrm{mHz}$	4×10^{-18}
10^{6}	10^{-6}	4×10^{-21}

Detection signal:

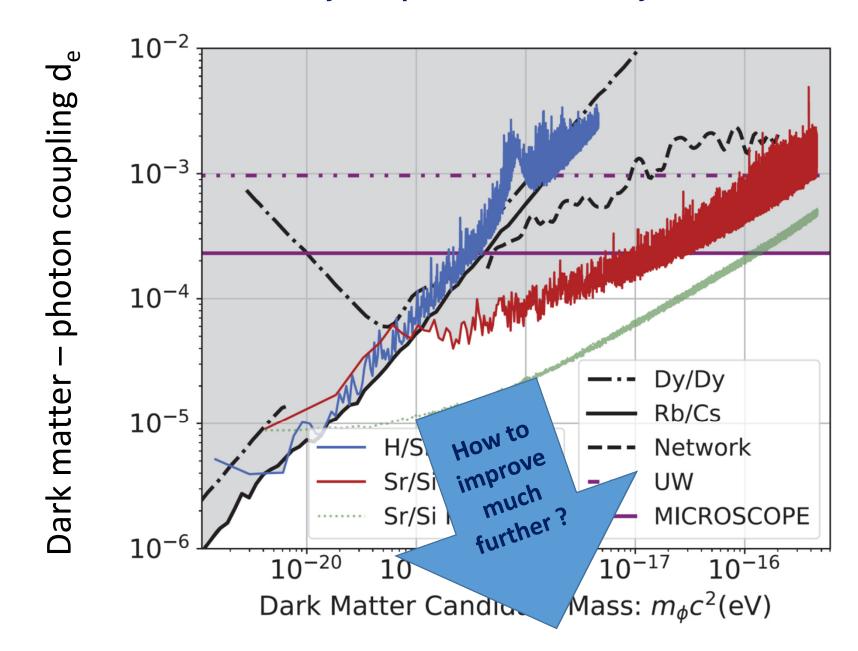
A peak with monochromatic frequency $f=2\pi/m_\phi$ in the discrete Fourier transform of this time series.



A. Arvanitaki et al., PRD 91, 015015 (2015)

The most recent limit: JILA Sr clock-cavity comparison C. Kennedy et al., PRL 125, 201302 (2020).

Oscillating dark matter bounds



Transient variations



Transient effects

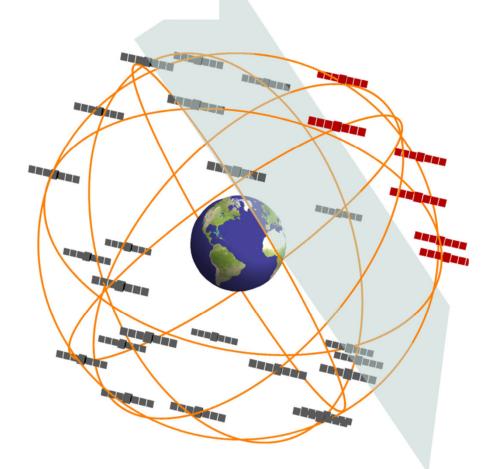
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Hunting for topological dark matter with atomic clocks

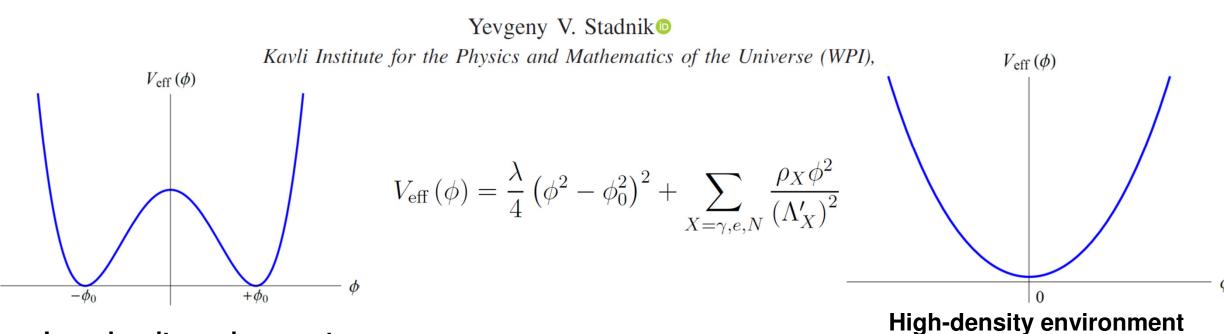
A. Derevianko^{1*} and M. Pospelov^{2,3}

Dark matter clumps: point-like monopoles, onedimensional strings or two-dimensional sheets (domain walls).

If they are large (size of the Earth) and frequent enough they may be detected by measuring changes in the synchronicity of a global network of atomic clocks, such as the Global Positioning System or networks of precision clocks on Earth.



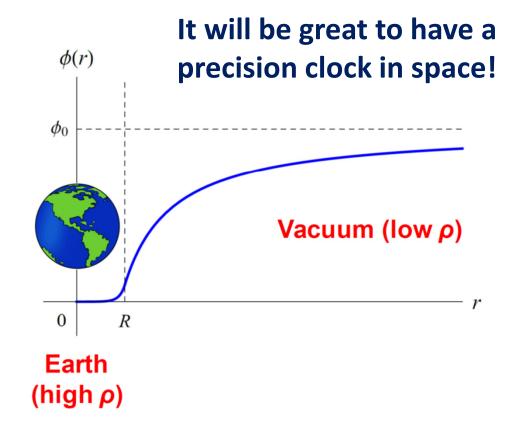
New bounds on macroscopic scalar-field topological defects from nontransient signatures due to environmental dependence and spatial variations of the fundamental constants

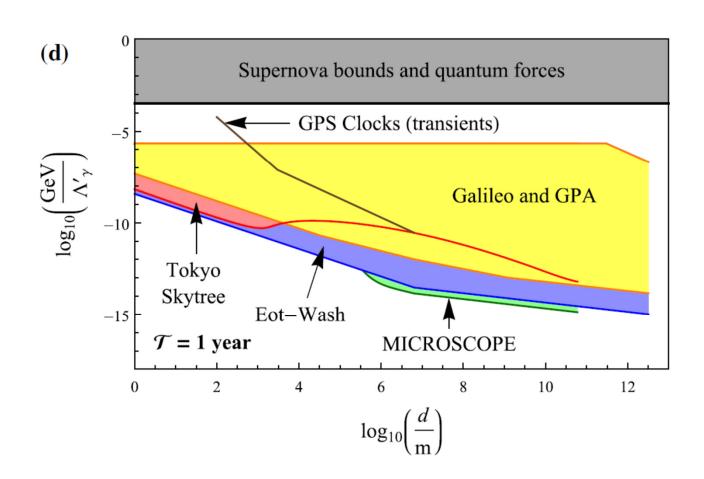


- **Low-density environment**
- Such scalar fields tends to be screened in dense environments
- All current experiments for topological defects were in the regime of strong screening (which was not accounted for)
- Environmental dependence of "constants"
- Must stronger constraints from such "non-transient effects

Slide credit: Yevgeny Stadnik

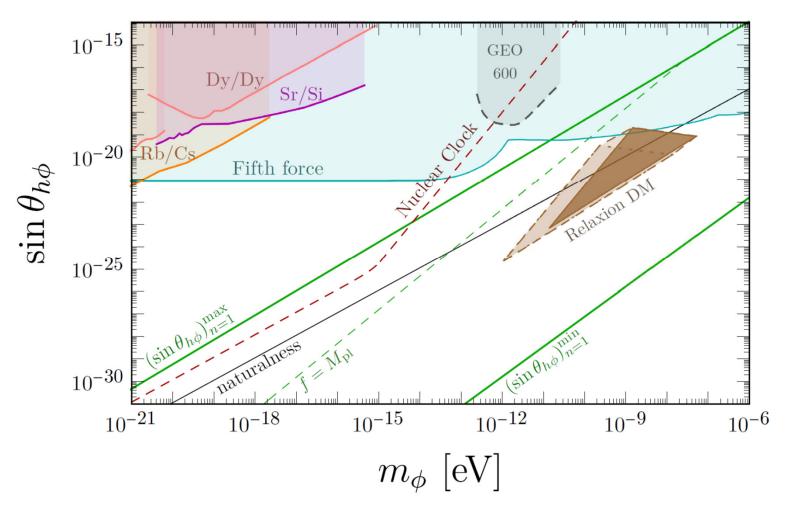
Environmental dependence of "constants" near Earth





Probing the Relaxed Relaxion at the Luminosity and Precision Frontiers

Abhishek Banerjee, Hyungjin Kim, Oleksii Matsedonskyi, Gilad Perez, Marianna S. Safronova, J. High Energ. Phys. 2020, 153 (2020).



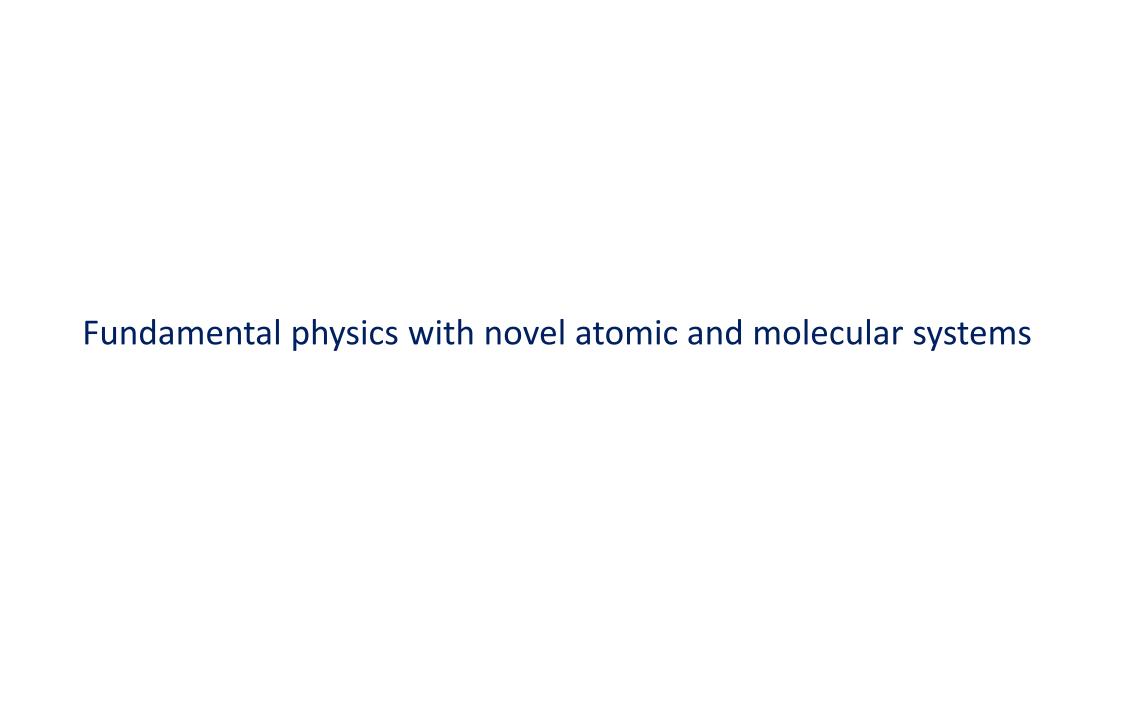
Cosmological relaxation of the electroweak scale is an attractive scenario addressing the gauge hierarchy problem.

Its main actor, the relaxion, is a light spin-zero field which dynamically relaxes the Higgs mass with respect to its natural large value.

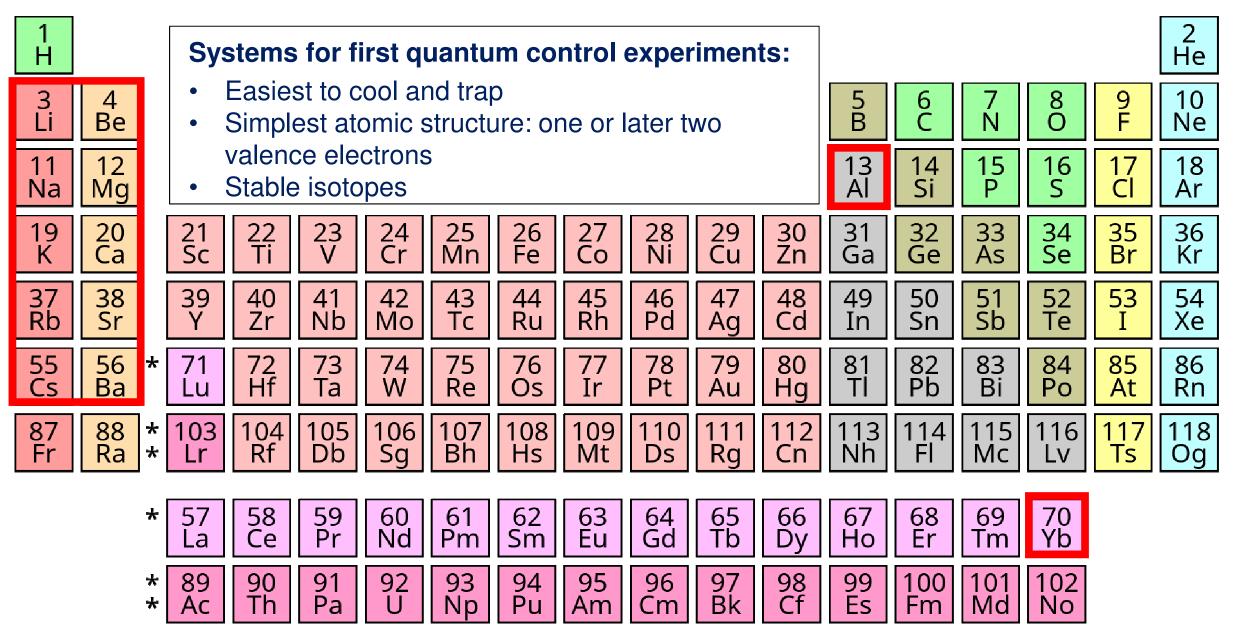
Continued collaboration with Gilad Perez' particle physics theory group.

Relaxion-Higgs mixing angle as a function of the relaxion mass.

A relaxion window and the available parameter space for the light relaxion, current and projected constraints.



Why use novel systems?



Why use novel systems?

• Much higher sensitivity for new physics or sensitivity to different new physics

Enhancements in heavy atoms, ions, and molecules with heavy atoms

Relativistic effects

Heavy nuclei (Z³ or similar scaling)

Octupole deformed nuclei

Larger effective electric field (molecules for eEDM)

Different types of transitions are available – sensitivity to different fundamental constants (molecules and molecular ions, highly-charged ions, nuclear clock)

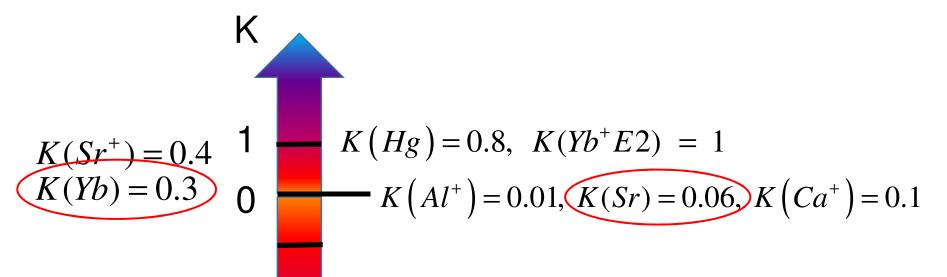
Need more isotopes or need a radioactive isotope

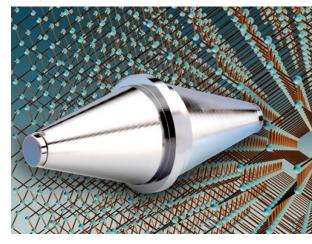
 New systems have properties not available in currently used systems allowing for reduced systematics or better statistics

From building quantum sensors to dedicated new physics experiments

Enhancement factors for current clocks

$$K = \frac{2q}{E_0}$$



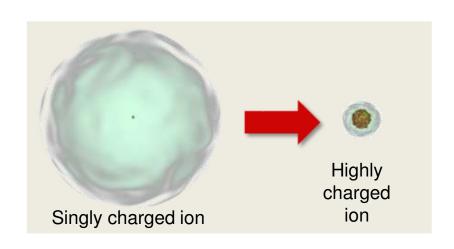


$$K(Hg^+) = -2.9$$

$$-6 \qquad K(Yb^+E3) = -6$$

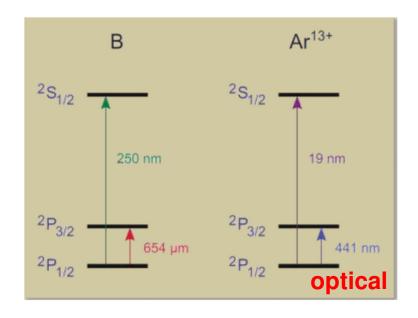
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \ln \frac{v_2}{v_1} = (K_2 - K_1) \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\partial \alpha}{\partial t}$$

Novel systems: highly charged ions (HCIs)



Scaling with a nuclear charge Z

Binding energy $\sim Z^2$ Hyperfine splitting $\sim Z^3$ QED effects $\sim Z^4$ Stark shifts $\sim Z^{-6}$

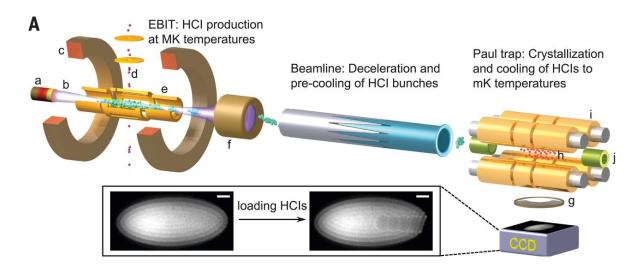


- Fine-structure, hyperfine-structure, and level-crossing transitions in range of table-top lasers
- Much higher sensitivity to new physics due to relativistic effects
- Rich variety of level structure not available in other systems
- Reduced systematics due to suppressed Stark shifts

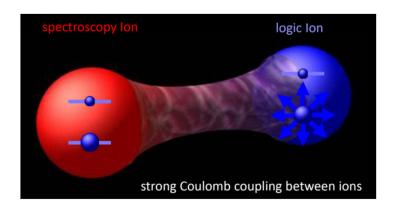
Review on HCIs for optical clocks: Kozlov et al., Rev. Mod. Phy. 90, 045005 (2018)

Picture credit: Piet Schmidt

HCls for ultra-precise clocks (Paul traps): present status



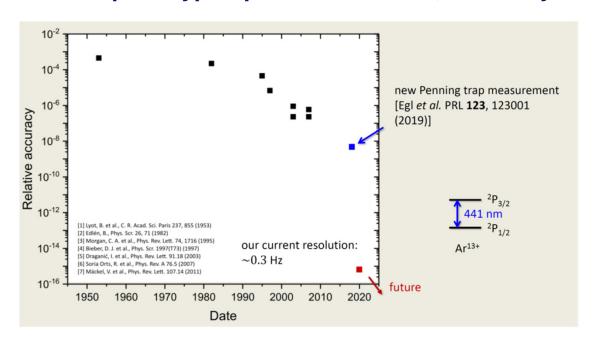
No direct laser-cooling transitions: use sympathetic cooling with Be⁺



2015: First sympathetic cooling of HCls: L. Schmöger et al., Science 347, 1233 (2015), Heidelberg

2020: Coherent laser spectroscopy of highly charged ions using quantum logic, P. Micke et al., Nature 578, 60 (2020)

7 orders of magnitude improvement !!!
First prototype optical clock, PTB, Germany



HCIs for ultra-precise clocks : applications & future

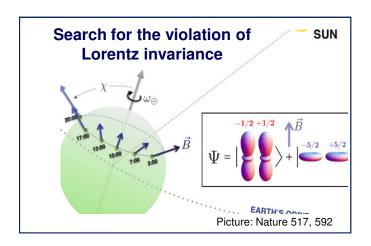
HCIs: much larger sensitivity to variation of α and dark matter searches then current clocks

- Enhancement factor K>100, most of present clocks K<1, Yb+ E3 K=6
- Hyperfine HCI clocks sensitive to m_e/m_p ratio and m_q/Λ_{QCD} ratio variation
- Additional enhancement to Lorentz violation searches

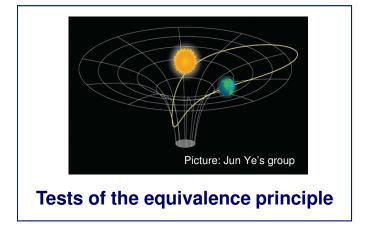
luminous matter

Dark matter

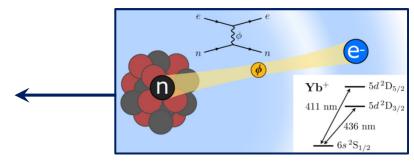
searches



HCI review: Rev. Mod. Phys. 90, 45005 (2018)



- Searches for the variation of fundamental constants
- Tests of QED: precision spectroscopy
- Fifth force searches: precision measurements of isotope shifts with HCIs to study non-linearity of the King plot



5 years: Optical clocks with selected HCIs will reach 10⁻¹⁸ accuracy

10 years: Strongly α -sensitive transitions in HCIs will reach of 10⁻¹⁸ uncertainty, multi-ion HCI clocks

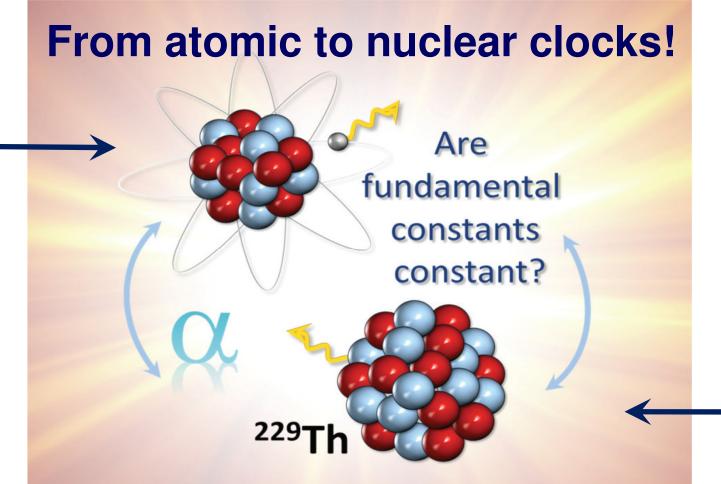


Thorium nuclear clocks for fundamental tests of physics

Thorsten Schumm, TU Wein Ekkehard Peik, PTB Peter Thirolf, LMU Marianna Safronova, UDel



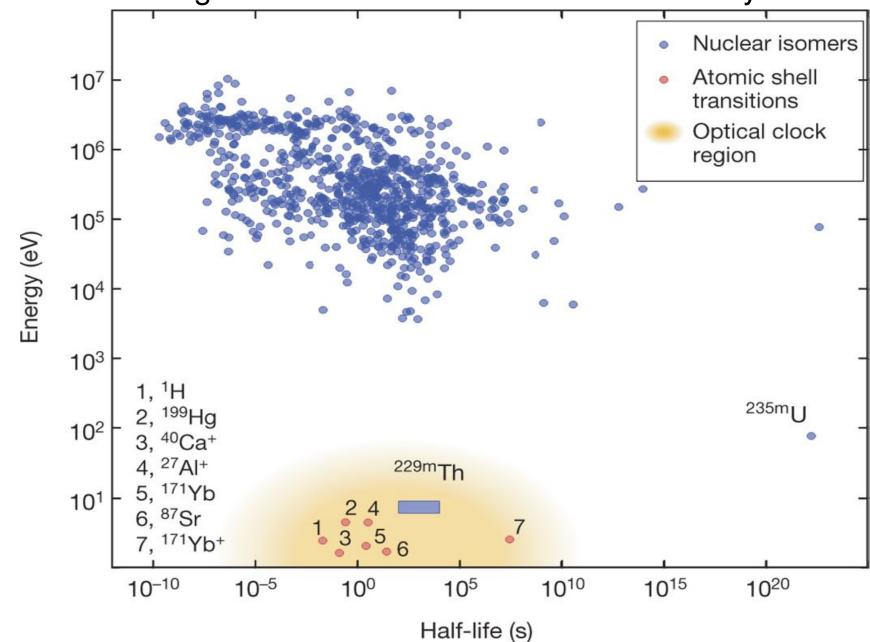




Clock based on transitions in nuclei

Obvious problem: typical nuclear energy levels are in MeV

Six orders of magnitude from ~few eV we can access by lasers!



Th nuclear clock

Atomic Nucleus

Excited nuclear states

Ground state Only ONE exception!

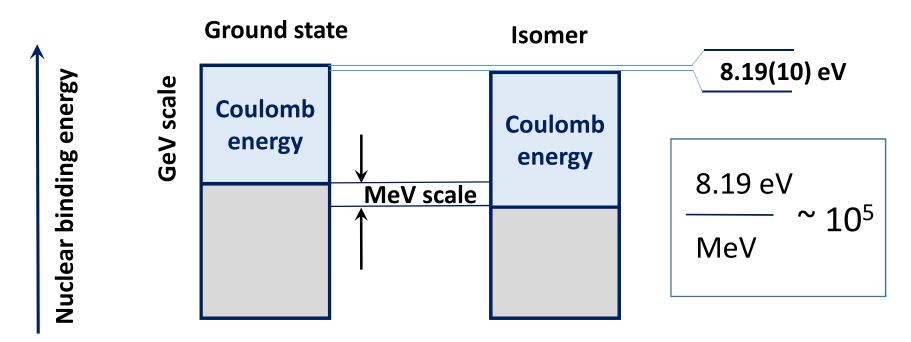
229mTh

Energy of the ²²⁹Th nuclear clock transition: Seiferle *et al.*, Nature 573, 243 (2019) T. Sikorsky et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 142503 (2020).

Review: E. Peik, et al., Quantum Science and Technology 6, 034002 (2021).

Nuclear transition 150 nm [8.19(12)eV] Lifetime ~ 5000s

Th nuclear clock: Exceptional sensitivity to new physics



Much higher predicted sensitivity (K = 10000-100000) to the variation of α and $\frac{m_q}{\Lambda_{QCD}}$.

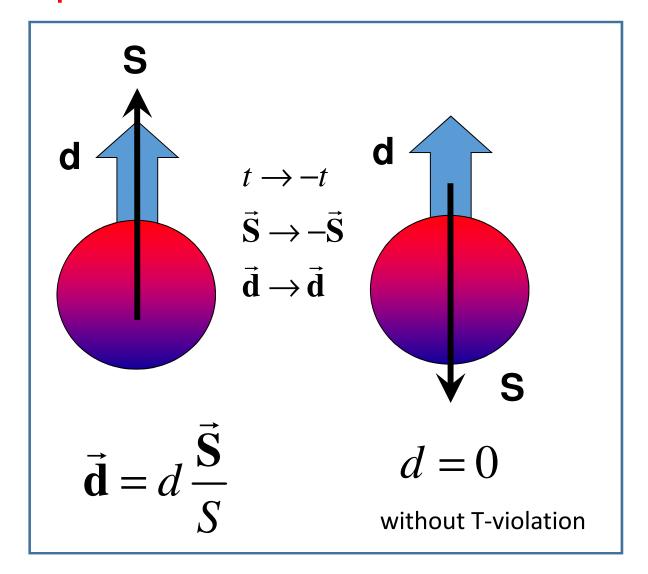
Nuclear clock is sensitive to coupling of dark matter to the nuclear sector of the standard model.

5 years: prototype nuclear clocks, based on both solid state and trapped ion technologies Measure isomer properties to establish of sensitivity to new physics Variation of fundamental constant and dark matter searches competitive with present clock

10 years: 10⁻¹⁸ – 10⁻¹⁹ nuclear clock, 5 - 6 orders improvement in current clock dark matter limits

Searches for the EDMs with novel systems

Time-reversal invariance must be violated for an elementary particle or atom to possess a permanent EDM.





Need new sources of T- (CP-) violation to explain matter-antimatter asymetry

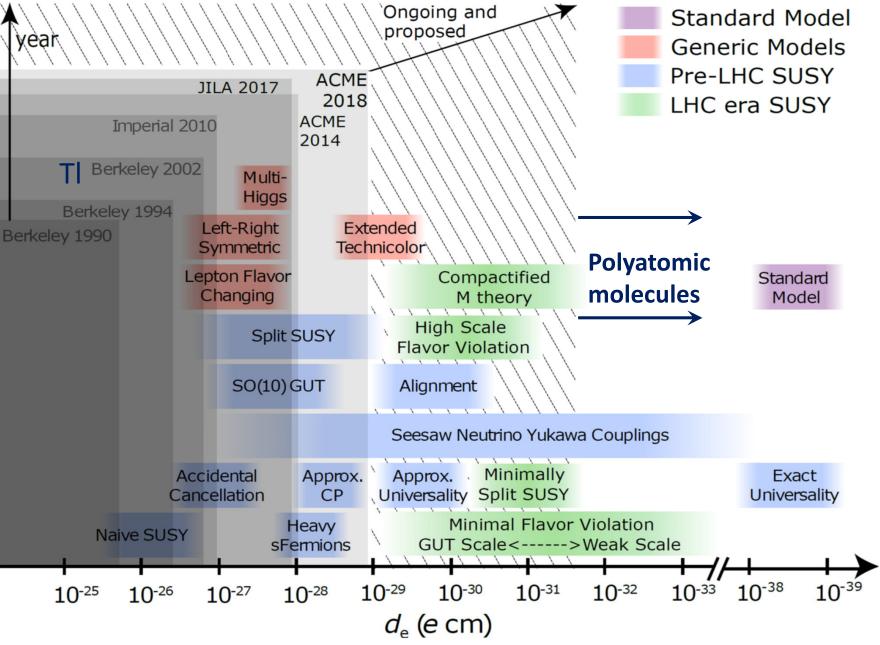


Figure is from 2020 USA AMO Decadal survey (Credit: Dave DeMille) https://www.nationalacademies.org/amo

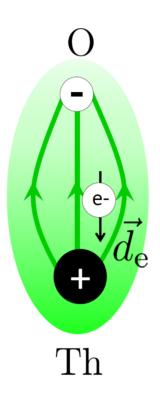
Searches for electron EDM with molecules

Present status: experiments with reported results

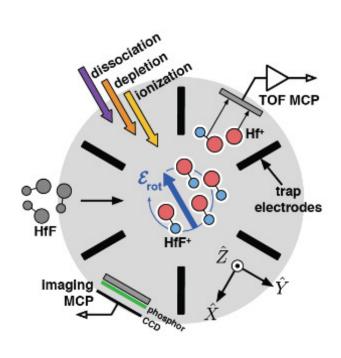
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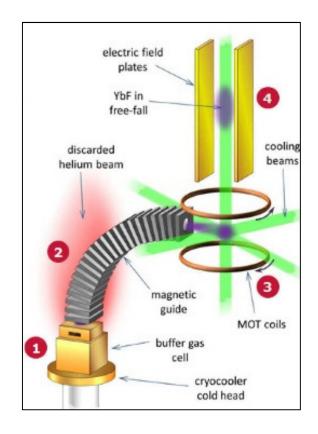
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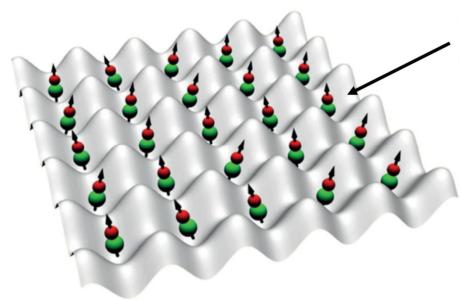




HfF+, (now also ThF+)

YbF

Electron EDM experiments: laser-cooled molecules



Heavy, polar molecule sensitive to new physics

Need to trap at ultracold temperatures

Laser slowed, cooled, and trapped in 3D: SrF, CaF, and YO Laser-cooled, but not yet trapped: YbF, BaH, SrOH, CaOH, YbOH, and CaOCH₃

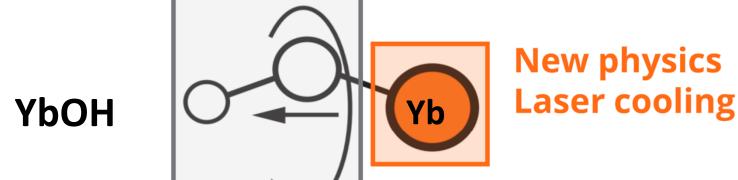
- 10⁶ molecules
- 10 s coherence
- Large enhancement(s)
- Robust error rejection
- 1 week averaging

M_{new phys} ~ 1,000 TeV

Even before implementing advanced quantum control, such as entanglement-based squeezing

You can not laser cool any diatomic molecule with co-magnetometer states!

eEDM experiments with polyatomic laser-cooled



Caltech Harvard

Polarization, Co-magnetometers

Proposal: Ivan Kozyryev and N. R. Hutzler, Phys. Rev. Lett. **119**, 133002 (2017) Review: N. R. Hutzler, *Quantum Sci. Technol.* **5** 044011 (2020)

5 years: An electron EDM result with trapped ultracold YbOH, initial goal 10⁻³¹ e cm

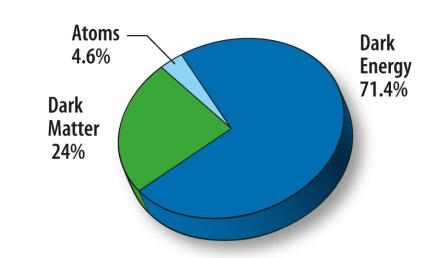
8 years: Improvements in coherence time and number trapped molecules: 10⁻³² e cm

Also: YbOH nuclear MQM Theory: J. Chem. Phys. 152, 084303 (2020)

Picture & timeline from: Nick Hutzler

Atomic & nuclear clocks:Great potential for discovery of new physics

Many new developments coming in the next 10 years!



Need NEW IDEAS how to use quantum technologies for new physics searches



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Online portal collaboration, Electrical & Computer Engineering: Prof. Rudolf Eigenmann, graduate student: Parinaz Barakhshan

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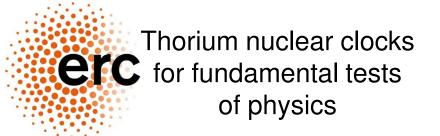
Postdoc position in the new physics searches with quantum technologies will become available summer of 2021

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