

Overview and Theory needs

- ^{47}K isospin breaking and time reversal

Theory needs: recoil-order corrections like weak magnetism for TRV

matrix elements on nucleon-nucleon TRV interactions like $\hat{r} \cdot p$, compare sensitivity to ^{56}Co

- $^{92}\text{Rb } 0^- \rightarrow 0^+$ decay for reactor ν physics

Q-value cut lets us isolate $0^- \rightarrow 0^+$ g.s. to g.s. branch

$a_{\beta\nu}$ close to 1: we don't fully understand at low β energy

theory needs: Do we have the Coulomb correction right from Behrens and Bühring?

Calculation of the smaller matrix element $\sigma \cdot r$?

- ^{37}K Mirror decay: bFierz; ν helicity

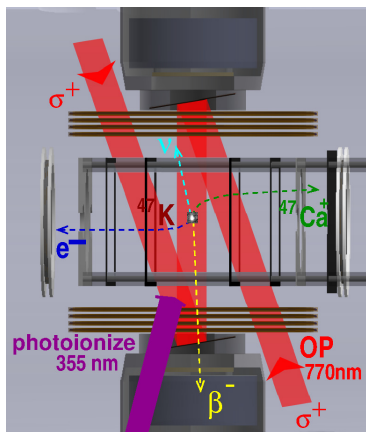
Theory needs: ^{38g}K GT 3^+ to 2^+ recoil order corrections

Isospin breaking calculations ^{37}K

- *Community: Revisit 2nd-class currents*



Analog-Antianalog isospin mixing in ^{47}K β^- decay + time-reversal symmetry



- Spin-polarize by direct optical pumping
- Measure asymmetry of decay products wrt initial nuclear spin

- Isobaric analog states and isospin-suppressed β decay
- In ^{47}K isospin-suppressed decay, we measure:
a large Fermi contribution and Coulomb matrix element
a large fraction of predicted analog-antianalog mixing
- Sensitivity to time-reversal breaking $\mathcal{T}$ enhanced in isospin-forbidden β decay ^{47}K



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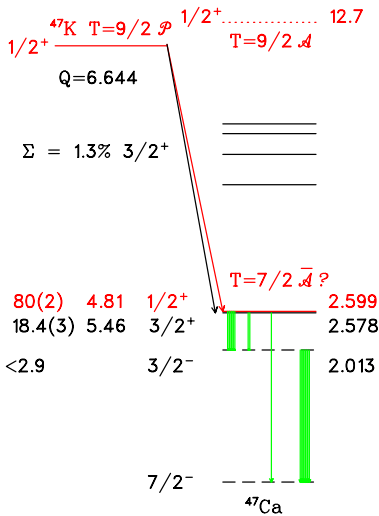
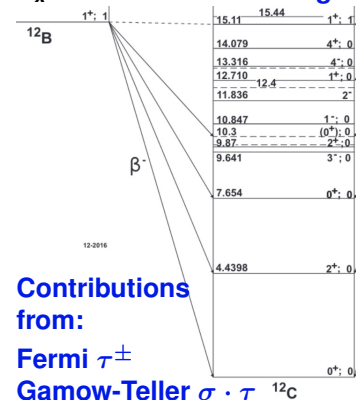
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⁴⁷K β^- decay and Analog- "Anti-analog" isospin mixing

n, tritium β^- decay to their
isobaric mirrors



¹²B β^- decays to ¹²C
E_x=15.11 isobaric analog



data from J.K. Smith PRC 102 054314 (2020)

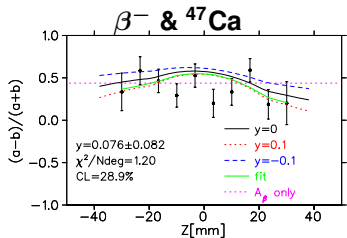
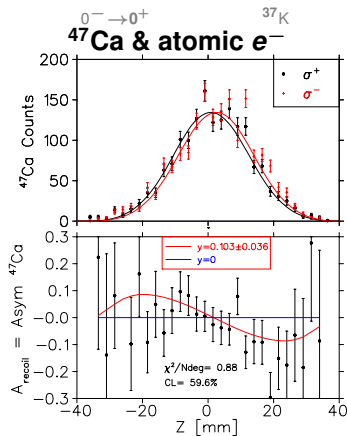
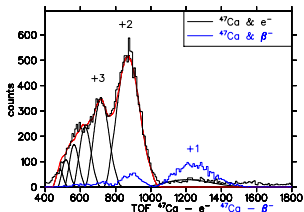
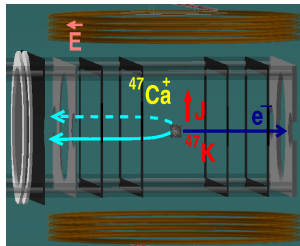
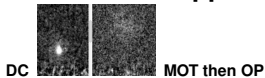
⁴⁷K decay to its isobaric
 analog is energetically
 forbidden,
 so is purely G-T, unless
 isospin mixing of analog
 and "antianalog"
 configurations lets Fermi
 contribute $\rightarrow$ nonzero
⁴⁷Ca asymmetry wrt ⁴⁷K
 nuclear spin

Barroso and Blin-Stoyle PL45B 178 (1973):

sensitivity of
 $\mathcal{T}$ correlations to $\mathcal{T}$ P even
 N-N isovector interactions
 is enhanced by $\sim 10^2$,
 because $\mathcal{T}$ is referenced to
 Coulomb (not strong)
 interactions

^{47}K isospin $\nearrow^{47}\text{K}$ plans

1000 atoms trapped



	extra concepts	extra tech	references
Source		A_{recoil}	pseudo A_{β}
A_{recoil} bkg $6 \pm 4\%$		0.014	< 0.002
Polarization 0.96 ± 0.04		0.004	0.023
β^- Branching ratio		0.002	0.022
Weak magnetism		0.0006	0.0003
Fit range in Z ± 20 to 34 mm		0.012	NA
$^{47}\text{Ca}^{+1}$ percent bkg		0.001	NA
$^{47}\text{Ca}^{+N}$ distribution from TOF		< 0.0005	NA
E field		negligible	0.025
Backscatter correction $-0.012 \pm 20\%$		NA	0.0024
Fit statistics		0.037	0.082
Total		0.041	0.091

● Nonzero ^{47}Ca asymmetry wrt spin $\Rightarrow$

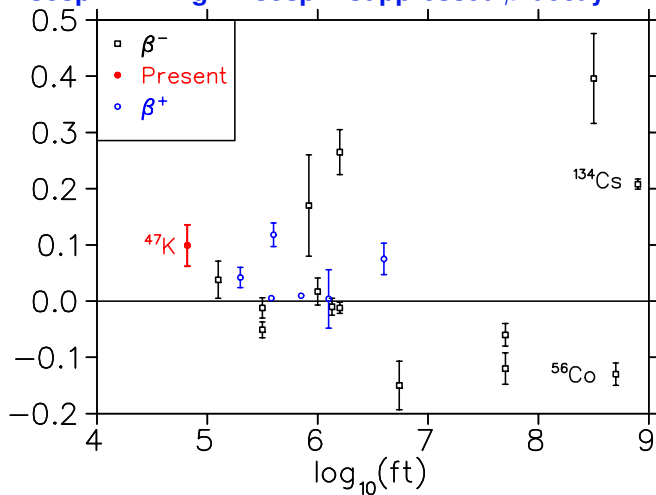
a nonzero M_{Fermi}

$$y = g_V M_F / g_A M_{GT} = 0.098 \pm 0.037$$

$$\langle \bar{A} | V_{\text{Coulomb}} | \mathcal{A} \rangle = 101 \pm 37 \text{ keV}$$



Isospin mixing in isospin-suppressed β decay:



- M_F can remain $\sim$ to M_{GT} as M_{GT} falls two orders but is always smaller

Implications for planned $\mathcal{T}$

$y = g_V M_F / g_A M_{GT}$ large enough to be favorable for $D\mathcal{T}$ measurement

$$D \hat{\mathbf{j}} \cdot \frac{\vec{p}_\beta}{E_\beta} \times \frac{\vec{p}_\nu}{E_\beta} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow -t} -D \hat{\mathbf{j}} \cdot \frac{\vec{p}_\beta}{E_\beta} \times \frac{\vec{p}_\nu}{E_\beta}$$

$$D = \sqrt{\frac{J}{J+1}} y / (1 + y^2) \sin(\alpha_V - \alpha_A)$$

In $\mathcal{A} - \bar{\mathcal{A}}$ systems Barroso and Blin-Stoyle

PL45B 178 (1973)

$$\sin \alpha_V = -i \frac{\langle \bar{\mathcal{A}} | V_{\mathcal{T}} | \mathcal{A} \rangle}{\langle \bar{\mathcal{A}} | V_{\text{Coul}} | \mathcal{A} \rangle} \Rightarrow$$

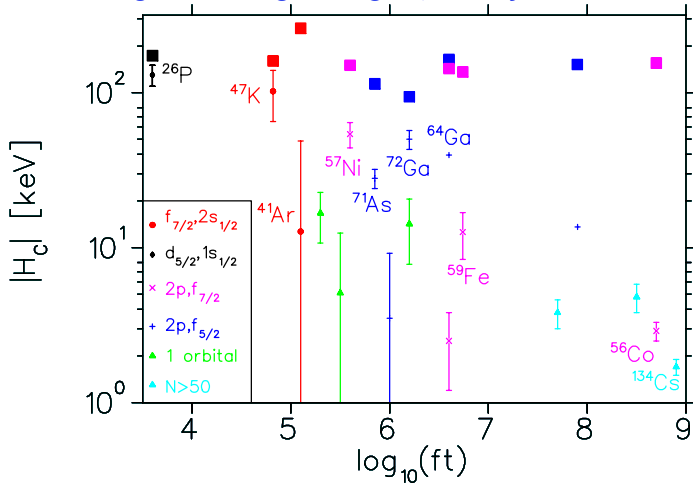
$$D \propto \delta E \frac{\langle \bar{\mathcal{A}} | V_{\mathcal{T}} | \mathcal{A} \rangle}{M_{GT}}$$

- To get same sensitivity to $\langle \bar{\mathcal{A}} | V_{\mathcal{T}} | \mathcal{A} \rangle$ we need D 30x better in ⁴⁷K compared to ⁵⁶Co

$E = -0.01 \pm 0.02$ Calaprice Freedman ... PRC

15 381 (1977) **no worries**

- However, nuclear matrix elements $\langle \bar{\mathcal{A}} | V_{\mathcal{T}} | \mathcal{A} \rangle$ might also fall with M_{GT} i.e. 'complexity' **so may favor ⁴⁷K**



xtra concepts xtra tech references

Schematic model for $\mathcal{A}$ and $\bar{\mathcal{A}} \Rightarrow$

$$H_C = \langle \bar{\mathcal{A}} | V_C | \mathcal{A} \rangle$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{n_1 n_2}}{2T} (\langle j_1 | V_C | j_1 \rangle - \langle j_2 | V_C | j_2 \rangle)$$

$\rightarrow 0.35 \frac{\sqrt{n_1 n_2}}{2T} \frac{Z}{A^{2/3}} \text{MeV}$, for HO wf's and excess n's occupy 2 major shells

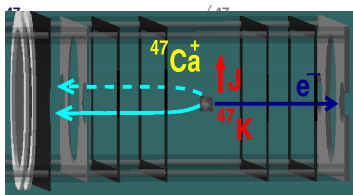
H_C for many β decays is a small fraction of the prediction: attributed to fragmentation of $\bar{\mathcal{A}}$ configuration among several eigenstates

Auerbach, Loc NPA 1027 122521 (2022)

$^{47}\text{K} \beta^-$ decay has:

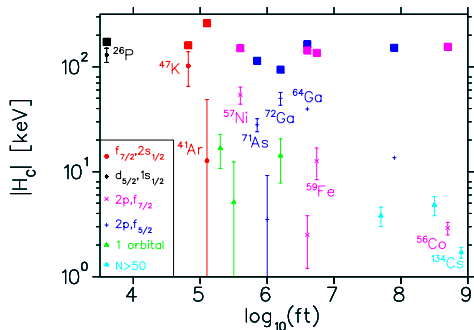
- Large $H_C = \langle \bar{\mathcal{A}} | V_{\text{Coul}} | \mathcal{A} \rangle = 101 \pm 37 \text{ keV}$
- Large fraction of $\mathcal{A} - \bar{\mathcal{A}}$ mixing prediction Auerbach Loc NPA 1027 122521 (2022)

$\Leftarrow ^{47}_{20}\text{Ca}^{27}$ has only one $1/2^+$ state, $\bar{\mathcal{A}}$ configuration not fragmented



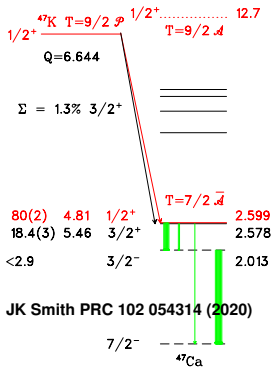
→0⁺ ³⁷K xtra concepts xtra tech references

Analog-Antianalog isospin mixing in ⁴⁷K β⁻ decay and $\mathcal{T}$
Measuring *isospin* in ⁴⁷K²⁸ decay determines sensitivity to
parity-even *isospin* $\mathcal{T}$ N-N interactions via future $D\vec{I} \cdot \vec{v}_\beta \times \vec{v}_\nu$
B. Kootte et al. Phys Rev C 109 L052501 2024



$I=1/2^+$ ⁴⁷K β⁻ decay has large:

- $H_C = \langle \bar{\mathcal{A}} | V_{\text{Coul}} | \mathcal{A} \rangle = 101 \pm 37 \text{ keV}$
 - fraction of $\mathcal{A} - \bar{\mathcal{A}}$ mixing
- prediction** Auerbach, Loc NPA 1027 122521 (2022)



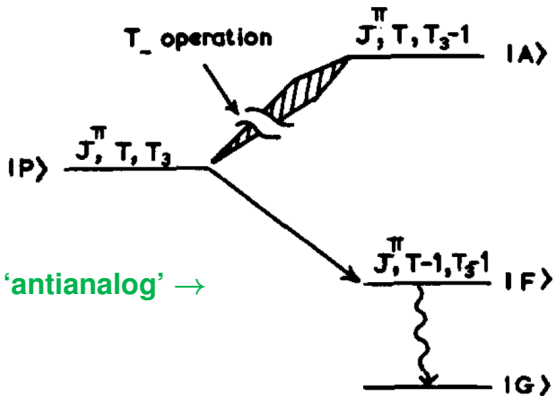
⁴⁷Ca²⁷'s single 1/2⁺ state contains most of the $\bar{\mathcal{A}}$ config

$y = g_V M_F / g_A M_{GT} = 0.098 \pm 0.037$
large enough to be favorable for
 D , enhanced by $\sim 10^2$ in
isospin-suppressed β decay

Barroso and Blin-Stoyle PL45B 178 (1973)

calculate reasonably large ¹³⁴Cs
 $\mathcal{T}$ matrix elements:
⁴⁷Ca's 1/2⁺ simple structure
should make calculating $\mathcal{T}$
nuclear matrix elements of $\hat{r} \cdot \vec{p}$
practical

$\mathcal{T}$ in isospin-hindered β^- decay Barroso and Blin-Stoyle, PL 45B 178 (1973)



‘antianalog’ →

Any $\mathcal{T}$ decay experiment should answer:

- Does interaction between outgoing particles mimic $\mathcal{T}$? (We hope we can reach the $D < 10^{-3}$ level of such false $\mathcal{T}$)
- Have null EDM’s ruled you out? (Not if we reach $D < 10^{-2}$)

$$D \hat{\mathbf{J}} \cdot \frac{\vec{p}_\beta}{E_\beta} \times \frac{\vec{p}_\nu}{E_\beta} \overset{t \rightarrow -t}{\rightarrow} -D \hat{\mathbf{J}} \cdot \frac{\vec{p}_\beta}{E_\beta} \times \frac{\vec{p}_\nu}{E_\beta}$$

$$D = \sqrt{\frac{J}{J+1}} y / (1 + y^2) \sin(\alpha_V - \alpha_A)$$

$$\text{with } y = \frac{|M_F|}{|M_{GT}|}$$

$$\text{In this system, } \sin \alpha_V = -i \frac{\langle F | V_{\mathcal{T}} | A \rangle}{\langle F | V_{\text{Coul}} | A \rangle}$$

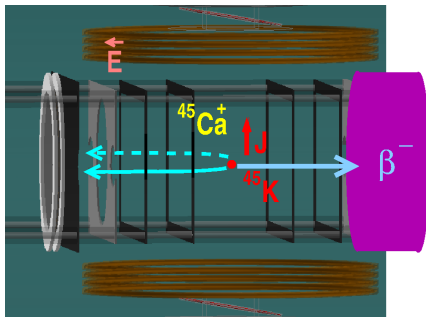
So for $\mathcal{T}$ physics mixing antianalog $|F\rangle$ with analog $|A\rangle$, then $V_{\mathcal{T}}$ is only competing with V_{Coul} , not V_{strong} ,

enhancing α_V by $\sim 10^2$ or 10^3 😊

- Has your experiment been done better? (Our goal is 3x better than Calaprice et al. ^{56}Co , and complementary to NOPTREX neutron scattering resonances for parity-even isospin-breaking interactions)



$\mathbf{D} \cdot \vec{l} \cdot \vec{v}_\beta \times \vec{v}_\nu$ in atom trap: Features, Systematics



- Collect recoils going into 4 pi with electric field of 1 kV/cm
- Full reconstruction of recoil and beta momenta
- Point source: we know where it is (by sampling photoionization) and it doesn't move when we flip the polarization

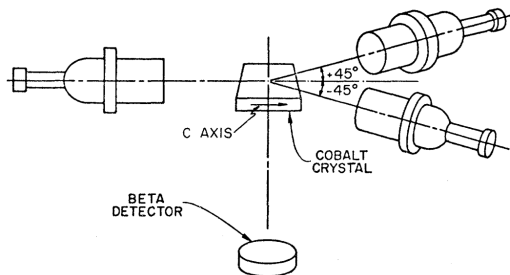
D Uncertainties / 100 scaling from Melconian PLB 649 270 (2007)

	B_ν	Improvements	Projected
Cloud position $\sigma^\pm$	1.3	$\pm 500 \mu\text{m} \rightarrow \pm 20 \mu\text{m}$	0.05
Cloud size/Temp	0.3	" "	0.03
MCP Position cal	1.0	DLA+ mask	≤ 0.1
$\hat{x}$ -OP alignment	0.25	Geometry is $\perp$	≤ 0.02
E field	0.2		≤ 0.1

- Any stray polarization along wrong axis is deadly, a lowest-order fake D : Measure with singles asymmetry for recoils and β 's

^{56}Co $\mathcal{T}$ experiment

Asymmetry of the 45° γ detectors with nuclear alignment



“Test of time-reversal invariance in the beta decay of ^{56}Co ”

Calaprice, Freedman, (Princeton);
Osgood, Thomlinson (BNL)
PRC 15 381 (1977)

$$E_1 = -0.01 \pm 0.02$$

$\log(ft) = 8.7$, yet known allowed:
 E_β spectrum, no β - γ correlation)

$y = -0.13 \pm 0.02$ PRC 26 287R (1982)
Markey, Boehm (RIP Felix 2021)

$$V_{\text{Coul}} = 2.9 \text{ keV}, V_{\mathcal{T}} = 54 \pm 110 \text{ eV}$$

(J.L. Mortara Ph.D. thesis 1999 UCB

$$E_1 = -0.001 \pm 0.006$$

$$\Rightarrow V_{\mathcal{T}} = 5 \pm 33 \text{ eV}$$

We believe we can measure D in $^{47,45}\text{K}$
much more accurately than E in ^{56}Co ,
but we must find a case with $|M_{GT}|$,
 V_{Coul} , and $\mathcal{T}$ N-N matrix elements to
allow complementary or better
sensitivity to $V_{\mathcal{T}}$

^{47}K recoil order estimates still in progress

$^{47}_{19}\text{K}^{28} \mu = 1.9 \mu_{\text{nucleon}} \Rightarrow$ thought to be 71% $2s_{1/2}$ Choudhary, Kumar, Srivasta, Suzuki PRC 103 064325 (2021)

Assuming $1/2^+ \rightarrow 1/2^+$ transition is $2s_{1/2} \rightarrow 2s_{1/2}$ (no orbital l contributions):

- Weak magnetism $b_W \sim$ the nucleon value
- 1st-class induced tensor $d_I \sim 0$

For our M_F/M_{GT} measurement,

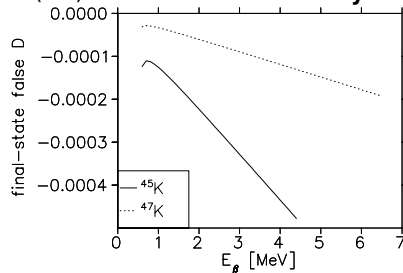
$A_{\text{recoil}}, A_\beta$ changed by ≤ 0.01

Finite-size correction cancels most of this
in A_{recoil}

Recoil-order effects small at present level
of accuracy $\rightarrow$ statistics-limited
measurement

Future D final-state effects Holstein PRC 5 1529

(1972) small at this accuracy:



Note: ^{56}Co final-state $E_1=0.0002$ Calaprice 1977

• **P even N-N isovector/tensor $\mathcal{T}$:
complementary to $\mathcal{T}$ neutron resonance
experiments**

Barroso and Blin-Stoyle

using Herczeg NP 75 655 (1966):

$$V_{\text{t.v.}} = G_{\text{t.v.}} \frac{1}{2} [f(r) \hat{r} \cdot \mathbf{p} + \text{h.c.}]$$

$$\times [1 + a \sigma^{(1)} \cdot \sigma^{(2)} (\tau_3^{(1)} + \tau_3^{(2)})$$

$$+ (b + c \sigma^{(1)} \cdot \sigma^{(2)}) \tau_3^{(1)} \tau_3^{(2)}]$$

NOPTREX: P-even $\mathcal{T}$ neutron resonance experiments are ongoing (in addition to $\mathcal{P}$ ones), with planned sensitivity to matrix elements $\sim \text{eV}$.

We hope to be complementary on isovector P-even $\mathcal{T}$ by reaching similar sensitivity.

Samart Schat Schindler Phillips PRC

**2016: Isoscalar and isotensor P even $\mathcal{T}$
 π -N suppressed by $1/N_C$; isovector a_1
contributes, not ρ and h_1**

**D produced by most $\mathcal{T}$ interactions
would make a large neutron EDM $\Rightarrow D$
less than 10^{-4} (Ng and Tulin PRD 85
033001 (2012).**

**Isotensor $\mathcal{T}$ interaction would make D
but not $T=1/2$ neutron EDM, but tricky
microscopically without making
isovector $\mathcal{T}$.**

**Barroso and Blin-Stoyle $10^2 \mathcal{A} - \bar{\mathcal{A}}$
enhancement $\Rightarrow$ our goal of $D < 10^{-3}$
in ^{47}K evades Ng-Tulin bound.**

$0^- \rightarrow 0^+$ decays make $\sim 1/3$ of reactor $E_\nu = 5-7$ MeV

Warburton PRC 1982:

$$P(E, \theta_{\beta\nu}) = 1 + a \, v/c \cos(\theta_{\beta\nu})$$

$$a = \frac{1 - \frac{\omega^2}{9\xi_0^2}}{1 + \frac{\omega^2}{9\xi_0^2} - \frac{2\omega m_\beta \gamma}{3\xi_0 E_\beta}} \quad \omega \ll \xi_0? \rightarrow 1$$

Nuclear matrix elements:

$$\langle i || \sigma \cdot r || f \rangle / R_{\text{nucleus}} = \omega$$

$$\langle i || \gamma_5 || f \rangle \rightarrow \xi_0$$

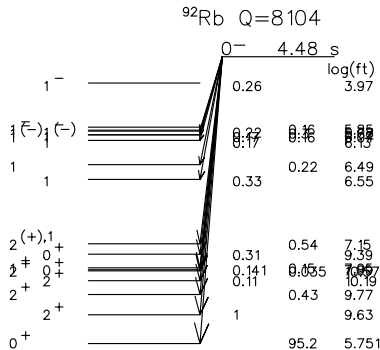
Which $\Rightarrow \beta$ spectrum

distorted by:

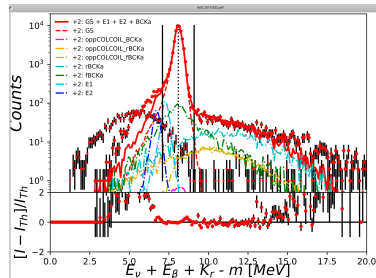
$$1 + \frac{\omega^2}{9\xi_0^2} - \frac{2\omega m_\beta \gamma}{3\xi_0 E_\beta}$$

We see that a changes with E_β

E_ν spectrum changed by $\lesssim 10\%$



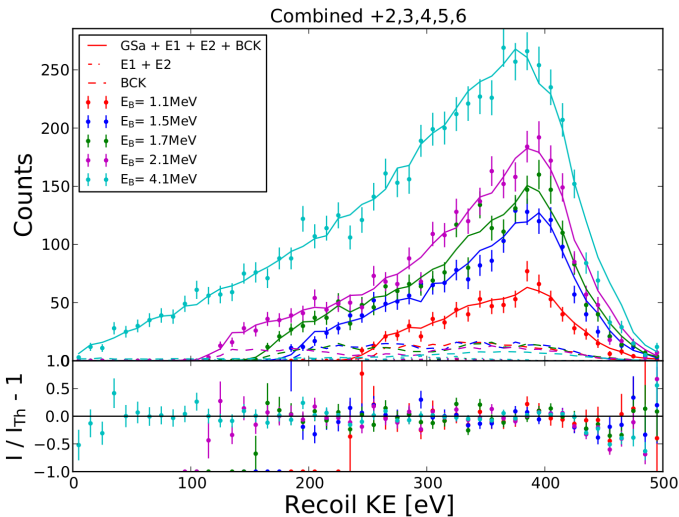
Three experiments (two T.A.S., one careful β - γ) now concur on $\approx 10\%$ excited state feeding



We separate the decay to the ground state quite cleanly from the reconstructed total energy:

$< 1\%$ correction from the lowest 1st forbidden unique $0^- \rightarrow 2^+$ branch

TRIUMF Preliminary: $0^- \rightarrow 0^+$ ⁹²Rb decay



- Recoil energy spectra as a function of $E_\beta \rightarrow a_{\beta\nu}[E_\beta]$

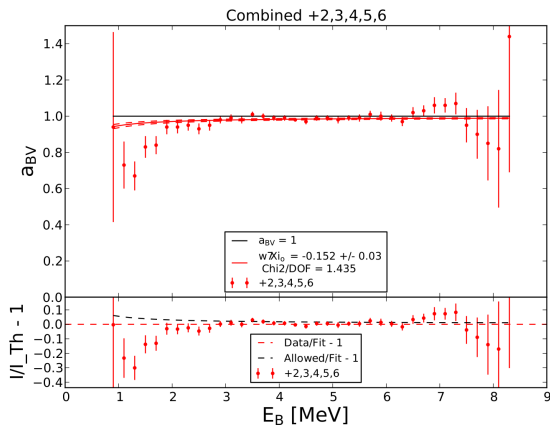
Remaining issues from
 progeny accidental
 background at low E_β
 James McNeil, APS DNP 2020
 RF.00004

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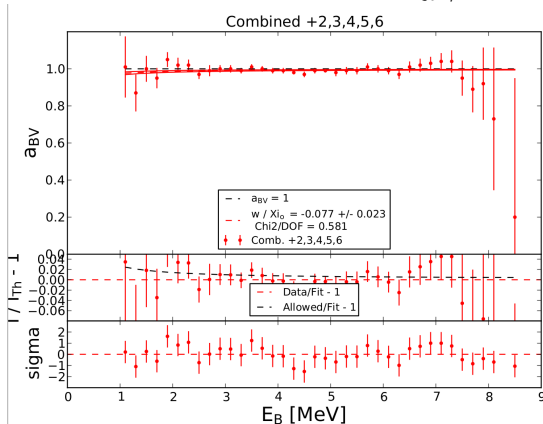
- Coulomb from Behrens and Bühring ~ 0.01
- Low- E_β (high E_ν) systs from progeny random bkg and from β backscatter
- Contribution from $\sigma \cdot r$ small, it is a question of quantifying:

Preliminary: $0^- \rightarrow 0^+$ ⁹²Rb decay

- Measured progeny background not included below
- Fitting low- E_β with $\frac{\omega m_\beta}{\xi_0 E_\beta}$ changes $a_{\beta\nu}$ too much at higher E_β

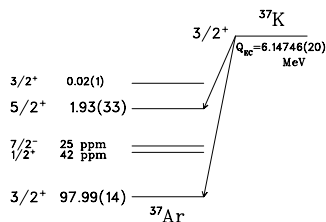


- Floating measured background by eye can force $\frac{\omega m_\beta}{\xi_0 E_\beta} = 0$ artificially
- Still need to normalize progeny background, evaluate E_β backscatter uncertainty, and extract $\frac{\omega m_\beta}{\xi_0 E_\beta}$





^{37}K : TAMU Ft progress: recoil-order corrections status



CVC $\Rightarrow$ most important corrections:

$\mu \Rightarrow b_{WM}$

(small for $\pi d_{3/2}$)

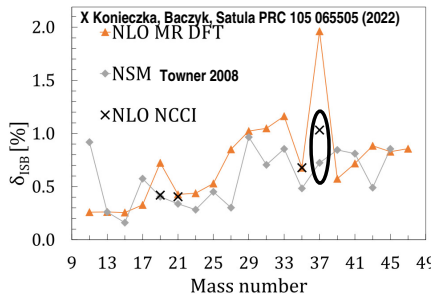
Induced tensor $d_1 \approx 0$
for isobaric mirror

**$Q \Rightarrow$ largest 2nd-order
recoil + Coulomb +
finite-size $\Rightarrow$**

**$\Delta A_\beta \approx -0.0028 (E_\beta/E_0)$
Holstein RMP 1975**

**Our deduced V_{ud} from ^{37}K
 A_β agrees with Hayen
Young arXiv:2009.11364**

**$\mathcal{F}t$ (Shidling PRC 2014) =
 4576 ± 8 s
Ozmetin et al. TAMU
Branch to $5/2^+$ improved
 $\rightarrow$ PRELIM 4585 ± 4 s
 ~ 0.0005 for V_{ud} from A_{recoil}
becomes possible**



**DFT with extra
isospin-breaking QCD
isovector interactions tuned
to fix Nolen-Schiffer anomaly
in mirror masses differs from
Towner 2008 for ^{37}K β decay**



^{47}K plans

$0^- \rightarrow 0^+$

^{37}K

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Improved measurement of $^{38\text{m}}\text{K} \langle r_{\text{ch}}^2 \rangle$ for V_{ud} corrections



J.A. Behr, L. Haddad, F. Klose, B. Ohayon, B.K. Sahoo

$4S \rightarrow 4P_{1/2}$ $\Gamma = 6$ MHz

$4S_{1/2} \rightarrow 5P_{1/2}$: $\Gamma = 1.1$ MHz

for 0.1 MHz accuracy?

Isospin breaking of β decay

ψ_i and ψ_f can be related to triplets of isobaric charge

radii Seng, Gorchtein Phys Lett B 2023

Only triplet with $\langle r_{\text{charge}}^2 \rangle^{1/2}$

known is $A=38$:

^{38}Ca 3.467(1) fm,

$^{38\text{m}}\text{K}$ 3.437(4) fm,

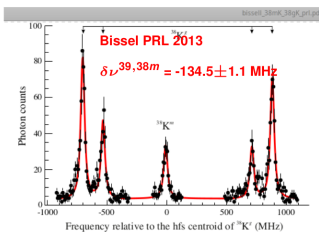
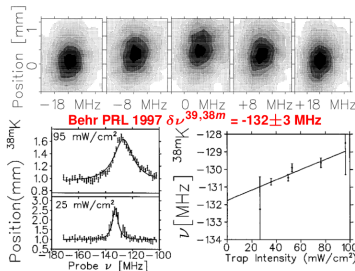
^{38}Ar 3.4028(19) fm

$\Rightarrow \Delta M_B^{(1)} = -0.03(54) \text{ fm}^2$;

models span 0.42 to 0.04 fm^2

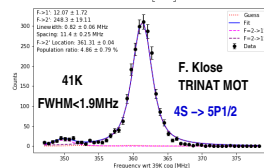
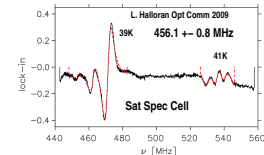
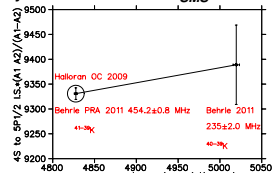
Needs order of magnitude

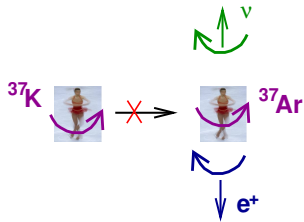
better $\langle r_{\text{charge}}^2 \rangle^{1/2}$!



ISOLDE did much better

Katyal 2412.05921 RCC $K_{SMS} = -30.6 \pm 5.2$





If $I_z = I_{\text{initial}}$ and $I_{\text{initial}} = I_{\text{final}}$, the leptons can't increase I_z final
 If β^+ down, the ν can't go up, unless either β or ν have wrong helicity

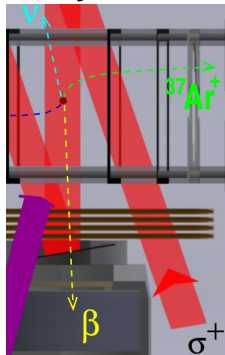
Any **imperfect** I_z/I mimics a **wrong-handed ν**

³⁸K G.T. $3^+ \rightarrow 2^+$ needs both ν and β^+ helicities wrong:

would be most direct ν helicity measurement

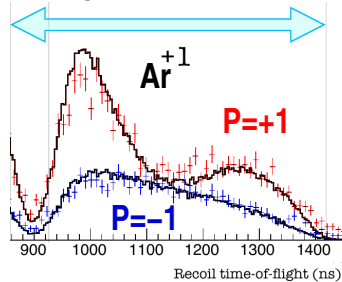
since Goldhaber 1957

Helicity-driven null



Fenker et al. PRL 2018
 $A_\beta = -0.5707 \pm 0.001913$ in agreement with SM
 achieved $I_z/I = 0.991 \pm 0.001$
 0.993 to 0.994 in 2024

2014 polarized β -recoil



$\nu_{\text{TOFaxis}} = 0$ suppressed. Dip would be deeper with ion MCP position cut or $\cos(\theta_{\beta-\nu})$ determination

$$W(\theta, P) \approx 1 + a_{\text{pol}} \cos(\theta_{\beta\nu})$$

$$a_{\text{pol}} = \frac{a_{\beta\nu} - 2c/3T + PB_\nu}{1 + PA_\beta + bm/E}$$

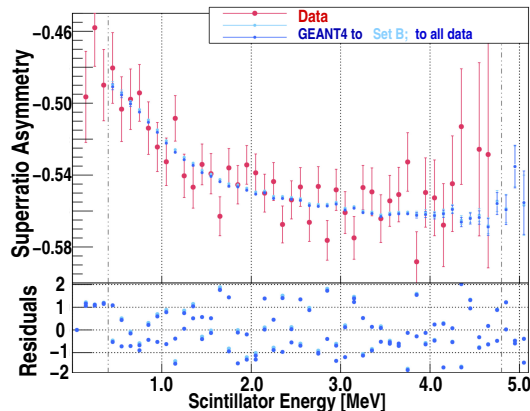
= 1 or 0, independent of $\frac{M_{GT}}{M_F}$

$$A_\beta[E_\beta] \text{ } ^{37}\text{K}$$

(data of Fenker et al. PRL 2018)

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(and to be submitted)

$$b_F = -0.0002 \pm 0.024 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.039 \text{ (syst)}$$



new MWPC's for ΔE , pellicle mirrors, low-Z
mirror mounting $\rightarrow$ 5x improvement

Source	Present b_F	Future b_F
β Scattering	0.031	0.003
Mirror Thickness	0.013	0.001
DSSD Thickness	0.013	0.001
DSSD Detection Radius	0.006	0.001
DSSD signal/noise	0.006	0.001
Low- E_β lineshape	0.008	0.008
DSSD XY Energy Agreement	0.005	0.001
DSSD E threshold	0.005	0.001
Scintillator Threshold	0.004	0.001
Scintillator Calibration	0.003	0.003
Atomic Cloud	0.002	0.002
Background	0.004	0.004
Be Foil Thickness	0.004	0.004
Total Systematics	0.039	0.0041

So now our full lepton-nucleon interaction density is (Morita Hyp. Int. 21 143 (1985)):

$$\sqrt{2}L = [V_\lambda + A_\lambda] [\bar{\psi}_e \gamma_\lambda (1 + \gamma_5) \psi_\nu] + [V'_\lambda + A'_\lambda] [\bar{\psi}_\nu \gamma_\lambda (1 + \gamma_5) \psi_e]$$

with explicitly different forms for $\beta^\pm$ decay:

$$V_\lambda = \bar{\psi}_p \left(g_V \gamma_\lambda + \frac{g_M}{2m} \sigma_{\lambda\rho} k_\rho + ig_S k_\lambda \right) \psi_n \quad A_\lambda = \bar{\psi}_p \gamma_5 \left(g_A \gamma_\lambda + \frac{g_T}{2m} \sigma_{\lambda\rho} k_\rho + ig_P k_\lambda \right) \psi_n$$

$$V'_\lambda = \bar{\psi}_n \left(g_V^* \gamma_\lambda + \frac{g_M^*}{2m} \sigma_{\lambda\rho} k'_\rho - ig_S^* k'_\lambda \right) \psi_p \quad A'_\lambda = \bar{\psi}_n \gamma_5 \left(g_A^* \gamma_\lambda - \frac{g_T^*}{2m} \sigma_{\lambda\rho} k'_\rho + ig_P k'_\lambda \right) \psi_p$$

$$k = k_p - k_n = -k'$$

Yes, the hadron part, because of the QCD-driven “dressing” within the nucleon, is more complicated than the lepton part.

g_S and g_T terms **change sign** from electron to positron decay. These are therefore odd under charge symmetry. So they vanish in isobaric analog decays to the extent that charge symmetry is good. These are called **“2nd-class currents”**

Divergence of $g_S k_\lambda$ is nonzero, i.e. **breaks CVC**

“An induced scalar would be sensational” D. Wilkinson, ca. 2005

● “Induced (by QCD combining quarks into nucleons) scalar” is part of the $e - N$ vector current.

● Produces same $\langle m/E_\beta \rangle$ as Fierz term

● Fit to $0^+ \rightarrow 0^+$ F_t

Holstein 1984 parameterization: $g_s =$

$$em_\beta / (Am_N) m_\beta / E_\beta$$

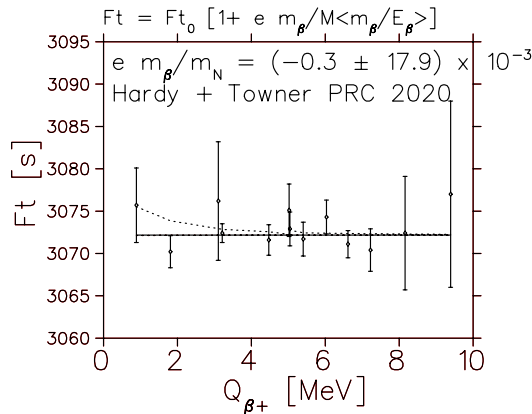
$$\Rightarrow e = 4 \pm 32$$

$e \approx -30$ explains neutron decay

Beck et al. PRL 2024 $a_{\beta\nu}$ using Saul PRL

2022 A_β

and is consistent with other β decay experiments



Caveats: Holstein 1984 constrains e/A , not e ;

Weak magnetism for mirror nuclei b/A is $\propto \mu_f - \mu_i$;

Kobodera Delorme Rho NPB'73 do not find the coherent scaling of 2nd-class "induced tensor" term with A predicted by Lipkin.

Induced 2nd-class "tensor" current in axial vector e-N

There are constraints from BABAR PRL 2009

but in 1st-generation 2nd-class currents are (almost by tautology) best constrained by β decay

Wilkinson EPJ 2005 using

General model of Kubodera DeLorme and Rho PRL 1977

A constant characterizing neutron β decay
Terms with interactions between nucleons,
short range and by meson exchange

Most recent update is Minamisono 2011 $\rightarrow$
Do these limits allow a n β -decay SCC?

K. MINAMISONO *et al.*

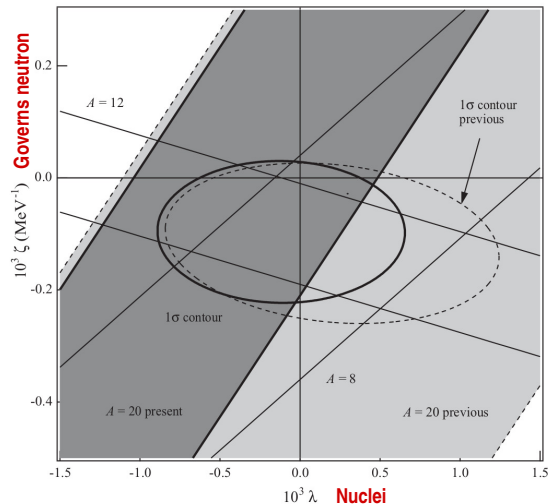
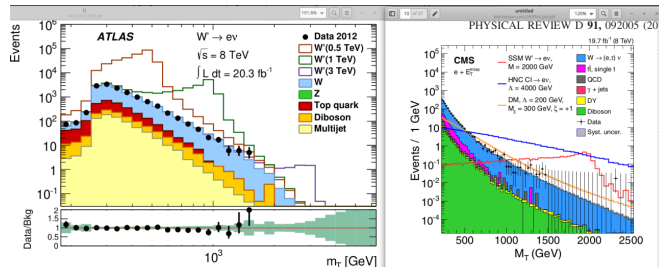


FIG. 14. KDR parameter space with L calculated without a short-range correlation. The shaded area is the present result and the light-shaded area is the previous result for the $A = 20$ system. The solid

An amazing yet SM background-limited channel

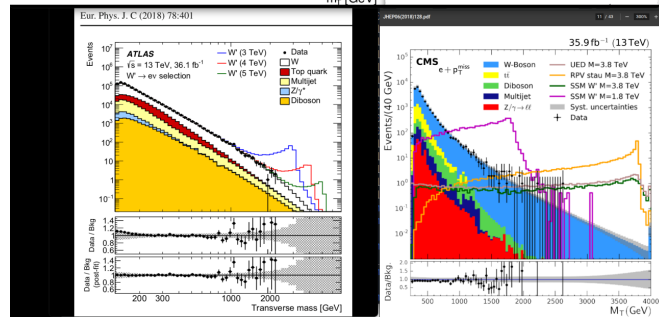
10% agreement with SM $W \rightarrow e\nu$ over 3-4 orders of magnitude!



Sensitivity improvements at higher

$\sqrt{s}$ require higher scale:

- The 8 TeV $pp \rightarrow e + \text{missing transverse energy}$ 20 fb^{-1} data was used to exclude C_T and C_S values with transverse mass $m_{\perp} > 1.5 \text{ TeV}$
 - The 13 TeV 36 fb^{-1} data had more sensitivity to production of such events, yet had to consider somewhat higher scales producing $m_{\perp} > 2.2 \text{ TeV}$,
 - Adding more 13 TeV data to 138 fb^{-1} changed 4 events seen with 6 expected to 22 events seen with 20 expected
- Similar limits on C_S, C_T



Summary and Theory needs

- ⁴⁷K isospin breaking and time reversal

Theory needs: recoil-order corrections like weak magnetism for TRV

matrix elements on nucleon-nucleon TRV interactions like $\hat{r} \cdot p$, compare sensitivity to ⁵⁶Co

- ⁹²Rb $0^- \rightarrow 0^+$ decay for reactor ν physics

Q-value cut lets us isolate $0^- \rightarrow 0^+$ g.s. to g.s. branch

$a_{\beta\nu}$ close to 1: we don't fully understand at low β energy

theory needs: Do we have the Coulomb correction right from Behrens and Bühring?

Calculation of the smaller matrix element $\sigma \cdot r$?

- ³⁷K Mirror decay: bFierz; ν helicity

Theory needs: ^{38g}K GT 3^+ to 2^+ recoil order corrections

Isospin breaking calculations ³⁷K

- *Community: Revisit 2nd-class currents*

There are at least 2 ways to make 2nd-class currents in a quark model:

- Remembering Standard Model has $\bar{u}\gamma_\mu d$ and $\bar{u}\gamma_5 d$ terms only, add derivative terms like $\partial_\mu \bar{u}d$ and $\partial^\nu \bar{u}\sigma_{\mu\nu}\gamma_5 d$ **Chiral EFT has these**

These are not renormalizable, one large reason they were excluded from the Standard Model (Weinberg Phys. Rev. 112 1375 (1958)).

[One perspective is that the Standard Model itself may be an Effective Field Theory good up to some very high energy. Naively, maybe that means renormalizability is not an exact logical requirement. However, deliberately introducing a manifestly unrenormalizable term would still be a very complicated move for the main part of one's basic theory.]

- Introduce a new quantum number in addition to color and flavor! (Feynman famously called this q.n. 'smell'?). You can also interpret this as a second set of quarks (Holstein Treiman PRD 13 3059 (1976)) carrying this quantum number.

A related scenario: recently people consider extra sectors of particles not interacting much with us, but interacting strongly among themselves.

QCD-like symmetries turn out to be a feasible way to generate dark matter.

There are tight constraints from experiment on such scenarios.

- The best experimental limits on 2nd-class currents, from dedicated β decay measurements, allow 2nd-class current effects about an order of magnitude larger than the known ones from charge-symmetry breaking in QCD.

The analog is:

$$|A\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2T}} \left[\sqrt{n_1} |j_1^{n_1-1}(n) j_1(p) j_2^{n_2}(n)\rangle \right. \\ \left. + \sqrt{n_2} |j_1^{n_1}(n) j_2^{n_2-1}(n) j_2(p)\rangle \right]$$

The anti-analog $|\bar{A}\rangle$ is then:

$$|\bar{A}\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2T}} \left[\sqrt{n_2} |j_1^{n_1-1}(n) j_1(p) j_2^{n_2}(n)\rangle \right. \\ \left. - \sqrt{n_1} |j_1^{n_1}(n) j_2^{n_2-1}(n) j_2(p)\rangle \right].$$

Schematic model for $\mathcal{A}$ and $\bar{\mathcal{A}} \Rightarrow$

$$H_C = \langle \bar{\mathcal{A}} | V_C | \mathcal{A} \rangle \\ = \frac{\sqrt{n_1 n_2}}{2T} (\langle j_1 | V_C | j_1 \rangle - \langle j_2 | V_C | j_2 \rangle) \\ \rightarrow 0.35 \frac{\sqrt{n_1 n_2}}{2T} \frac{Z}{A^{2/3}} \text{MeV},$$

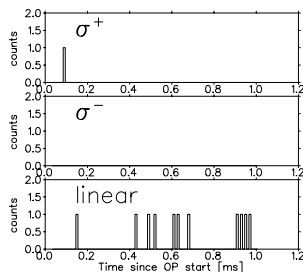
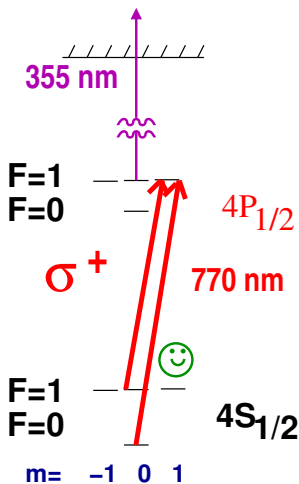
for HO wf's and excess n's occupy 2 major shells

H_C for many β decays is a small fraction of the prediction: attributed to fragmentation of $\bar{\mathcal{A}}$ configuration among several eigenstates

Auerbach, Loc NPA 1027 122521 (2022)

Optical pumping of $I=1/2$ ^{47}K

We measure by atomic techniques the polarization of the β -decaying nuclei



(tight cuts on timing
wrt pulse laser and
center position exclude
background:
H. Gallop. U. Waterloo)

We alternate trap/optical pumping
Apply circularly polarized light along z
quantization axis.

Once we start OP cycle, atoms increase
spin to maximum, then stop absorbing
If light is linearly polarized, atoms keep
absorbing.

When excited, a pulsed laser has enough
energy/photon to photoionize (a small
fraction) of them.

11 photoions while linearly polarized,
1 photon circularly polarized $\rightarrow$
nuclear polarization $96 \pm 4\%$

^{37}K polarization 2024 (PRELIM)

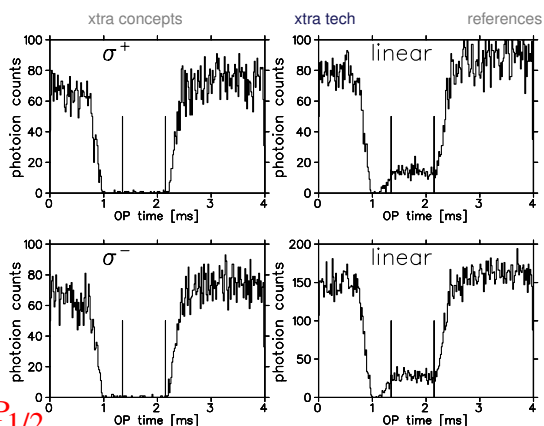
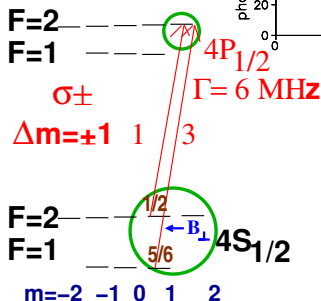
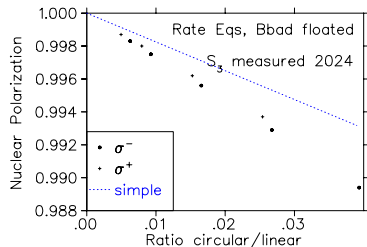
$$\sigma^+/\text{lin} = 0.027 \pm 0.006$$

$$\sigma^-/\text{lin} = 0.021 \pm 0.007$$

Rate equations with measured S_3 and fit $B_\perp \Rightarrow$

$$\sigma^+: I_z/I = 0.993 \pm 0.001 \text{ (stat)}$$

$$\sigma^-: I_z/I = 0.994 \pm 0.001 \text{ (stat)}$$

 σ/lin measures change from 1.Simpler model (perfect S_3 , Larmor precession only):

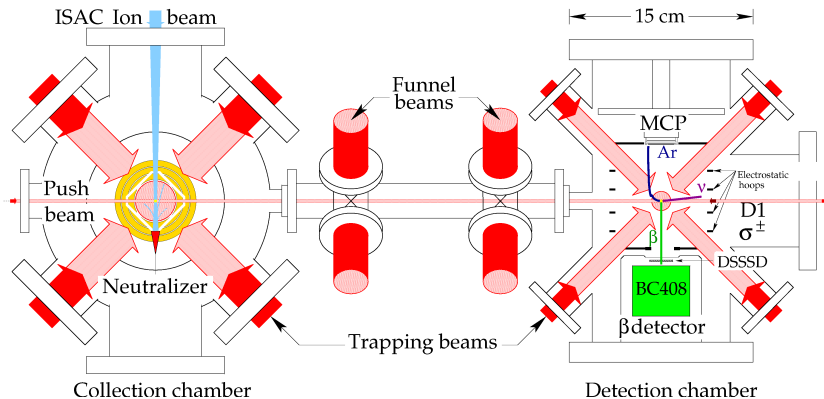
$$I_z/I \approx 1 - 0.175 N_\sigma / N_{\text{lin}}$$

0.175 is small because the main depolarized states still have very good nuclear polarization



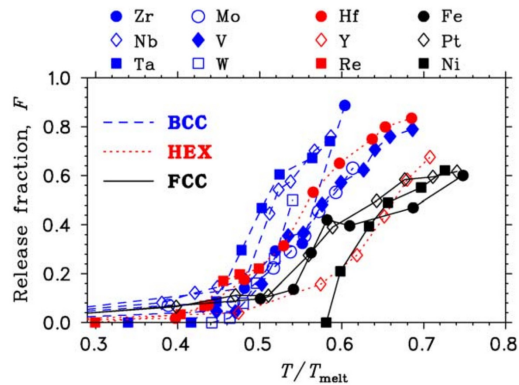
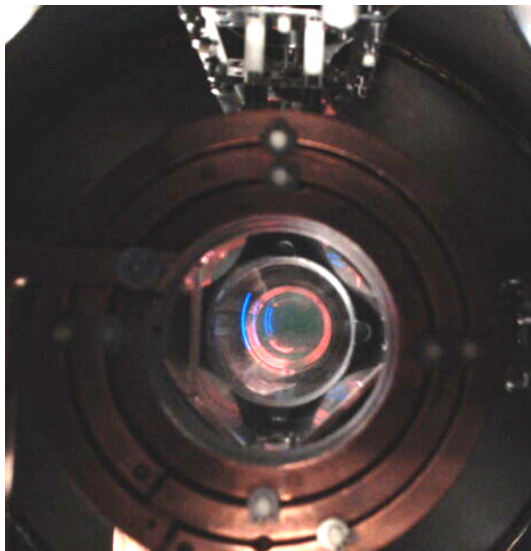
TRINAT plan view

- Isotope/Isomer selective
- 75% transfer
- Avoid untrapped atom background with 2nd trap
- 0.7 mm cloud for $\beta\text{-Ar}^+ \rightarrow \nu$ momentum

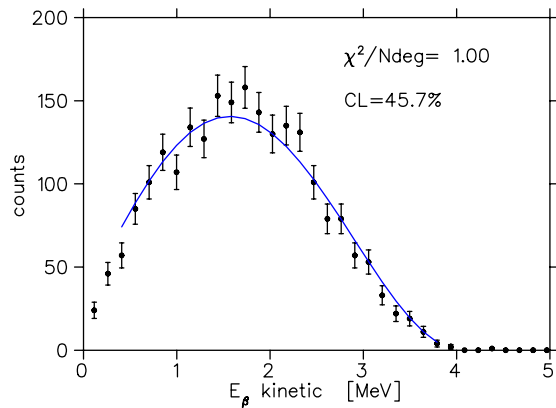
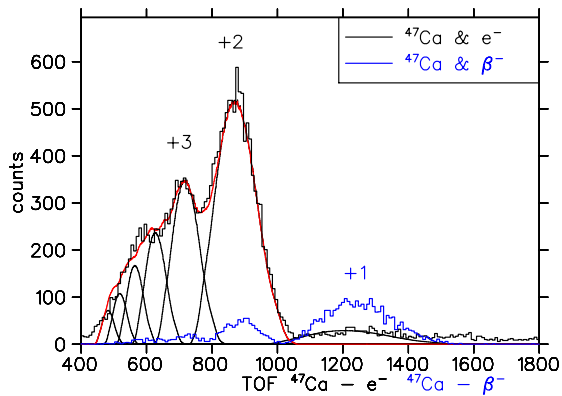


- Spin-polarized $99.1 \pm 0.1\%$

Neutralizer and Collection trap



^{47}K TOF and β spectra



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