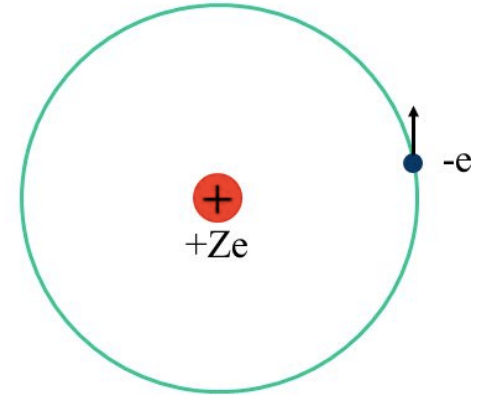
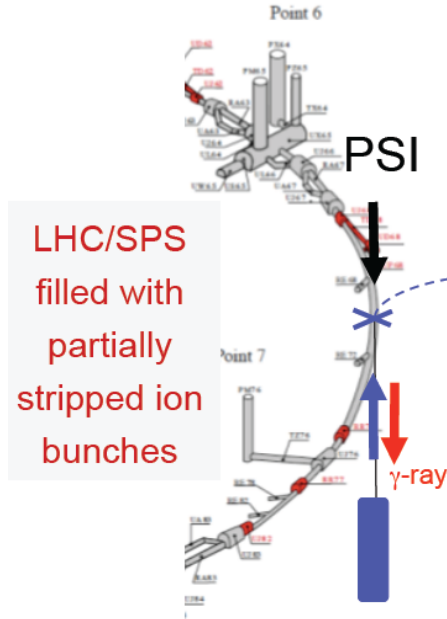


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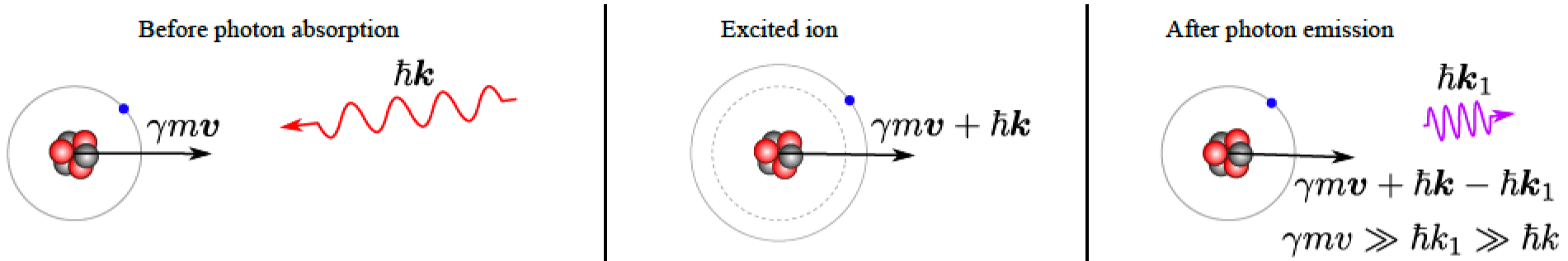
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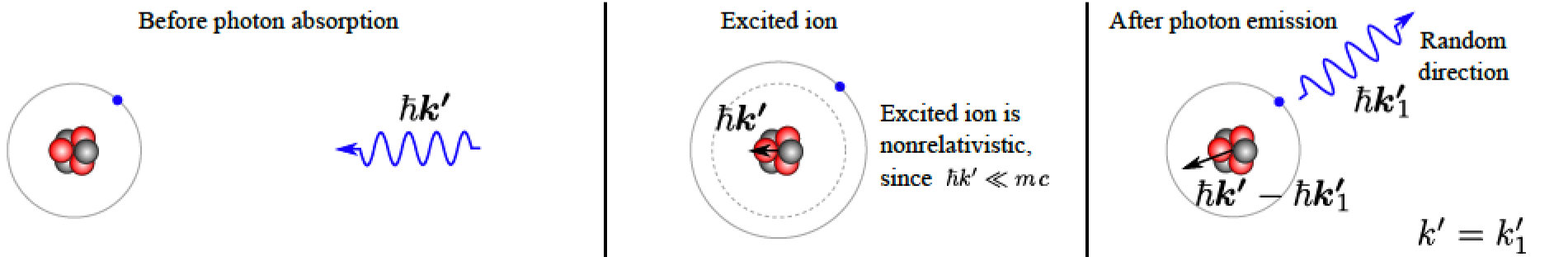
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# Photon scattering on relativistic ions

In the laboratory reference frame:



In the initial ion reference frame:



Photon-energy boost:  $2\gamma_L \times 2\gamma_L$   
backward emission angle:  $1/\gamma_L$

Photon-energy boost:  $2\gamma_L$

# Gamma Factory @ CERN

Partially Stripped Ion beam as  
a light frequency converter

$$\nu^{\max} \longrightarrow (4 \gamma_L^2) \nu_i$$

*Tuning of the beam energy, the choice of the ion type, the number of left electrons and of the laser type allows to tune the  $\gamma$ -ray energy, at CERN, in the **energy domain of 100 keV – 400 MeV.***

*Example (maximal energy):*

LHC,  $\text{Pb}^{80+}$  ion,  $\gamma_L = 2887$ ,  $n=1 \rightarrow 2$ ,  $\lambda = 104.4$  nm,  $E_\gamma(\max) = 396$  MeV

# Gamma Factory @ CERN

## The gamma ray source for Gamma Factory

The expected magnitude of the  $\gamma$ -source intensity leap

Electrons:

$$\sigma_e = 8\pi/3 \times r_e^2$$

$r_e$  - classical electron radius

Partially Stripped Ions:

$$\sigma_{res} = \lambda_{res}^2 / 2\pi$$

$\lambda_{res}$  - photon wavelength in the ion rest frame

Electrons:

$$\sigma_e = 6.6 \times 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^2$$

Partially Stripped Ions:

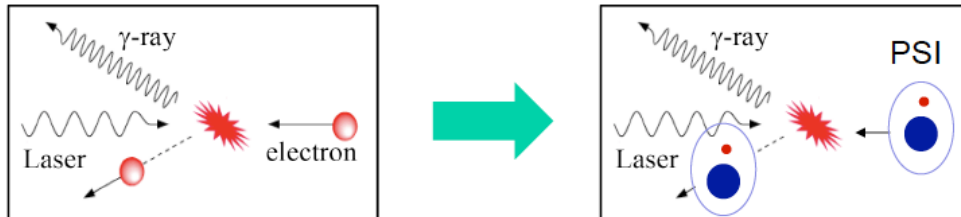
$$\sigma_{res} = 5.9 \times 10^{-16} \text{ cm}^2$$

Numerical example:  $\lambda_{laser} = 1540 \text{ nm}$

**~ 9 orders of magnitude difference in the cross-section**

**~ 7 orders of magnitude increase of gamma fluxes**

The idea: replace an electron beam by a beam of highly ionised atoms (Partially Stripped Ions - PSI)



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PSI @ LHC

Is this possible?

# A major news from CERN! (July 2018)



During a special one-day run, LHC operators injected lead "atoms" containing a single electron into the machine  
(Image: Maximilien Brice/Juilen Ordan/CERN)

Protons might be the [Large Hadron Collider](#)'s bread and butter, but that doesn't mean it can't crave more exotic tastes from time to time. On Wednesday, 25 July, for the very first time, operators injected not just atomic nuclei but lead "atoms" containing a single electron into the LHC. This was one of the first proof-of-principle tests for a new idea called the Gamma Factory, part of CERN's Physics Beyond Colliders project.

# Gamma Factory PBC study group

90 scientists  
35 institutes  
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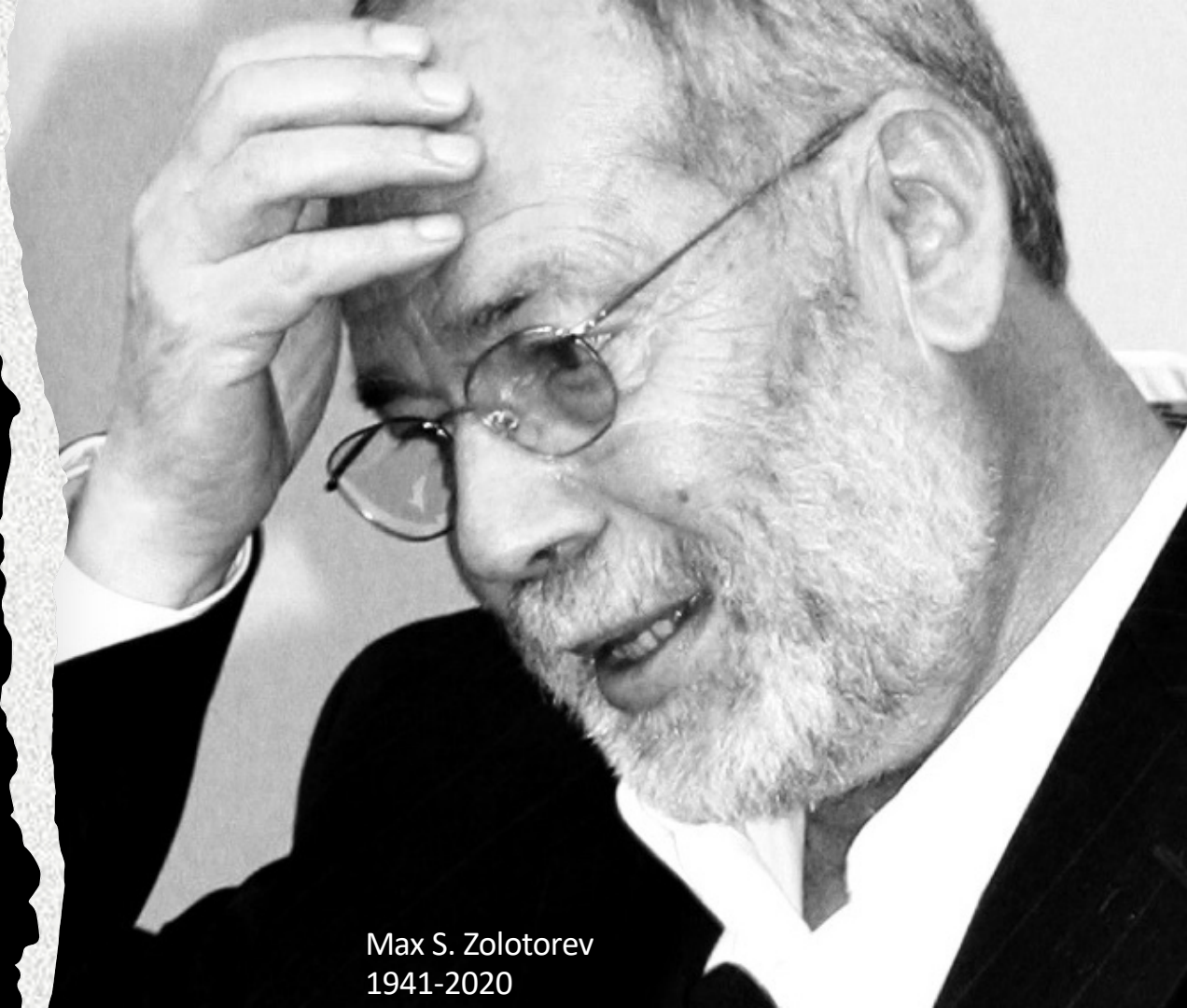
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GF group is open to everyone willing to contribute to this initiative!

- Parity violation in relativistic ions
- Laser cooling @ RHIC, SPS, & LHC
- Optical stochastic cooling
- Atomic physics @ GF



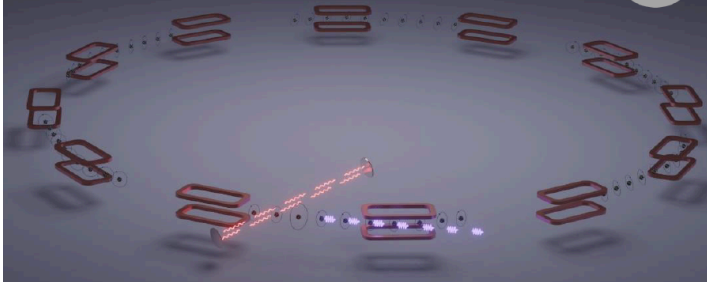
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## Physics Opportunities with the Gamma Factory

30 November – 4 December 2020



- Accelerator developments
- Atomic and fundamental physics
- Search for Dark Matter
- Nuclear and particle physics
- Rare isotopes and isomers
- Nuclear-physics applications
- Studies with primary, secondary and tertiary beams
- Gamma Factory in a global landscape



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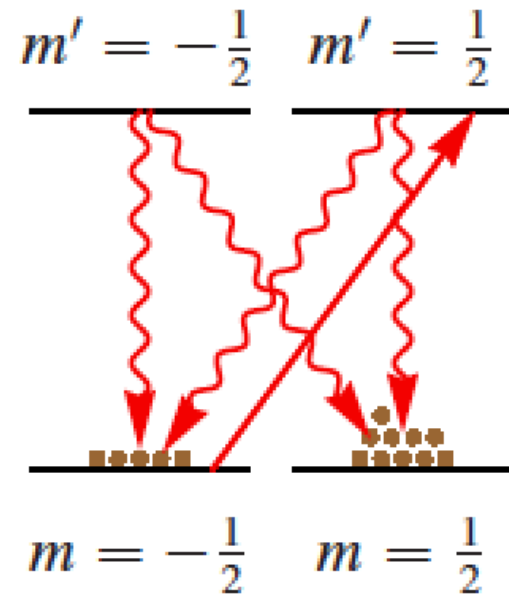


duality

Light Source ↔ Giant Ion Trap

# Optical Pumping of PSI

- Single-path polarization via **optical pumping**
- Both **electronic** and **nuclear polarization**
- Will polarization survive a round trip?
- If yes  measure static and oscillating **EDM**
- Regardless  nuclear-spin dependent **parity violation**



## Expanding Nuclear Physics Horizons with Gamma Factory

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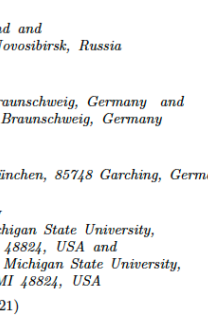
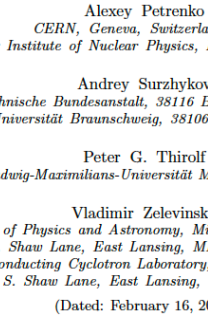
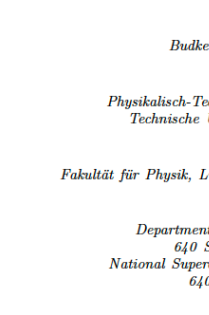
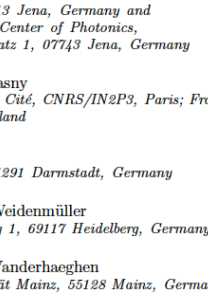
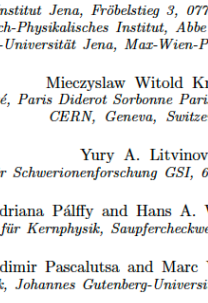
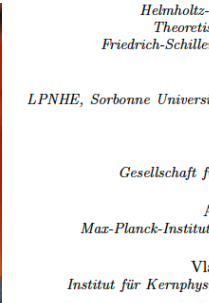
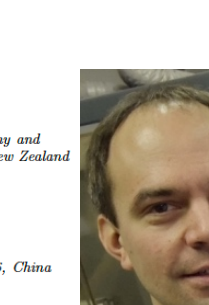
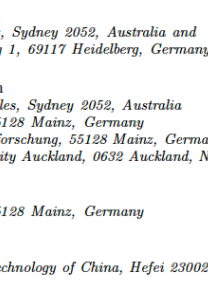
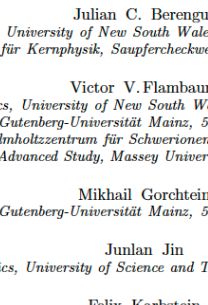
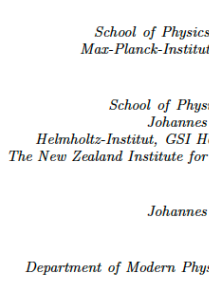
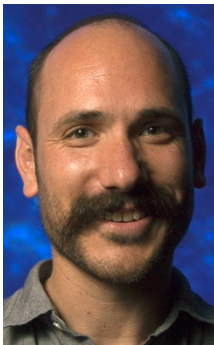
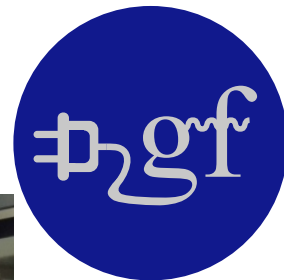
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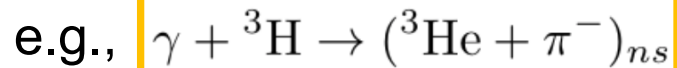


# Nuclear physics at the

- Physics opportunities with **primary, secondary** and **tertiary beams**  
with previously unattainable parameters
- Direct measurements of astrophysical **S-factors** at relevant energies
- Spectroscopy of nuclear gamma transitions  
on par with laser spectroscopy of atoms
- **Gamma polarimetry** at the  $10^{-5}$  to  $10^{-6}$  rad level
- Precision measurement of **parity violation** in hadronic and nuclear system  
at previously inaccessible asymmetry
- Production of high-intensity, monoenergetic and small-emittance  
**tertiary beams**: neutrons, muons, neutrinos, etc.
- ...

# Nuclear physics at the : examples

- Direct **nuclear-transition spectroscopy** of stored nuclei (or PSI)
- Interplay of atomic and nuclear d.o.f.
- $(\gamma, \pi)$  reactions to probe halo nuclei
- Photoproduction of pionic atoms,

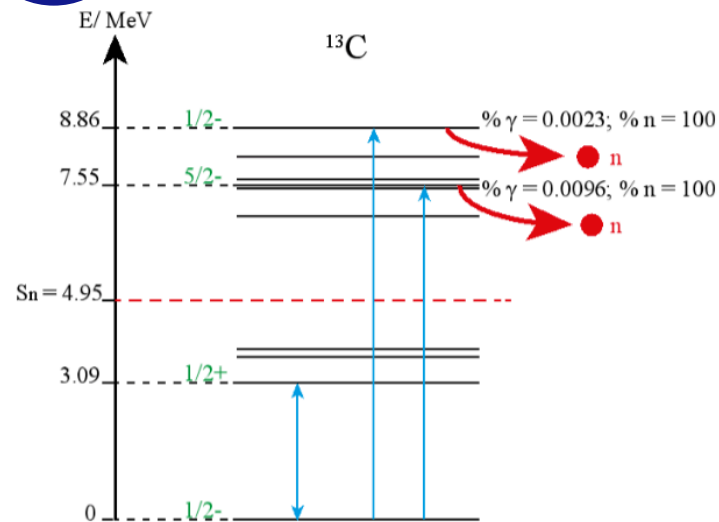


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Isotope	$I_g^P$	Transition energy	$I_e^P$	Excitation lifetime
${}^{129}\text{Xe}$	1/2+	39.578 keV	3/2+	12.8 ns
${}^{229}\text{Th}$	5/2+	29.19 keV	(5/2+)	30 ns
${}^{161}\text{Dy}$	5/2+	25.651 keV	5/2-	95.7 ns
${}^{119}\text{Sn}$	1/2+	23.871 keV	3/2+	109 ns
${}^{151}\text{Eu}$	5/2+	21.541 keV	7/2+	275 ns
${}^{57}\text{Fe}$	1/2-	14.412 keV	3/2-	940 ns
${}^{73}\text{Ge}$	9/2+	13.3 keV	5/2+	3.3 msec
${}^{45}\text{Sc}$	7/2-	12.4 keV	3/2+	201 sec
${}^{205}\text{Pb}$	5/2-	2.3 keV	1/2-	3 hours
${}^{235}\text{U}$	7/2-	76.7 eV	1/2+	$10^{17}$ years
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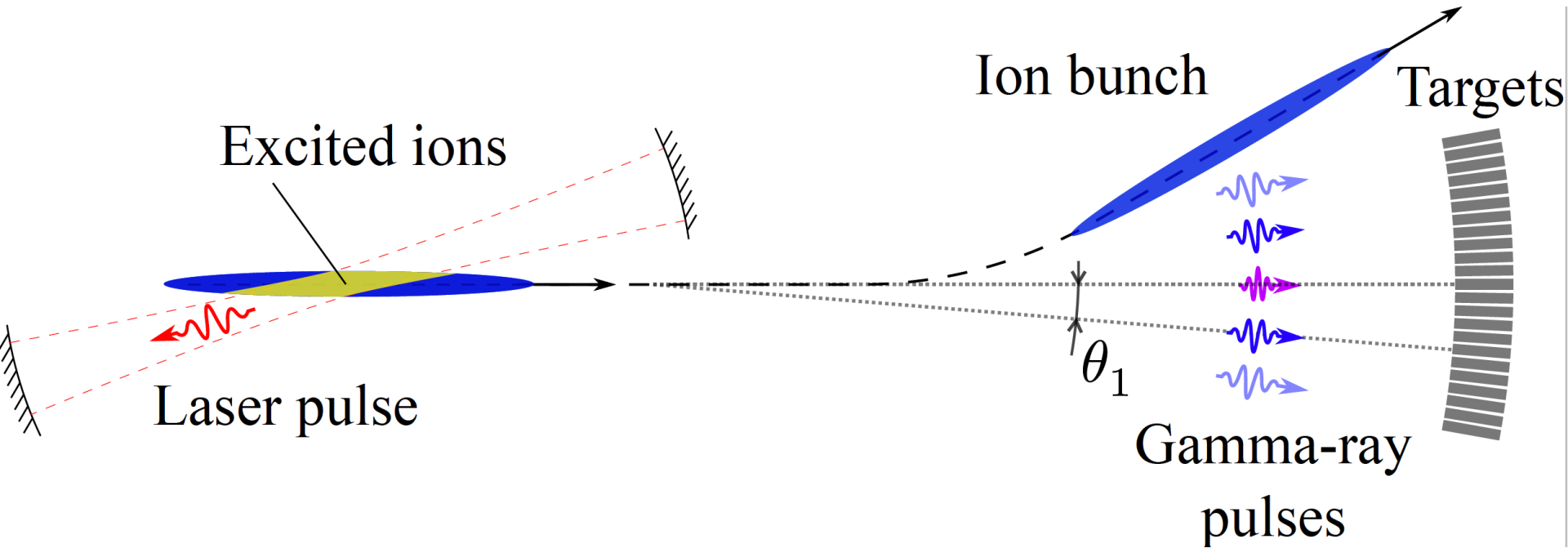
# Nuclear physics at the $\mu\text{g}$ : examples

- High-resolution spectroscopy of  $\gamma$ -resonances
- **Fano effect** in  $\gamma$ -resonances
- Giant resonances, pigmy resonances
- $(\gamma, \alpha)$  reactions: astrophysical S-factors
- Nuclear E1 polarizabilities, e.g.,  $^{208}\text{Pb}(\gamma, \gamma')$
- Parity-violating photophysics
- Lepton-pair photoproduction ( $e^+, e^-$  and  $\mu^+, \mu^-$ )



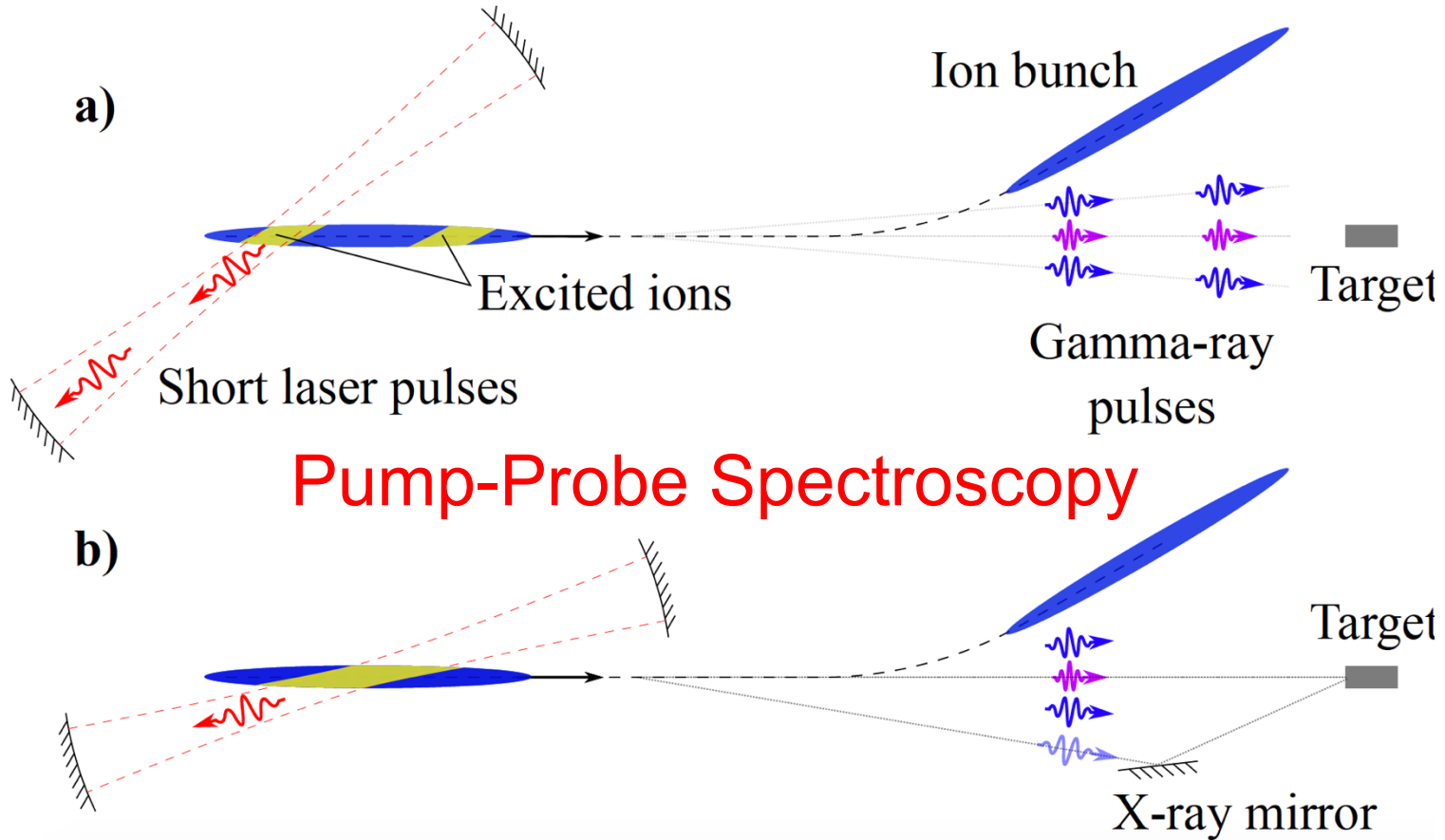


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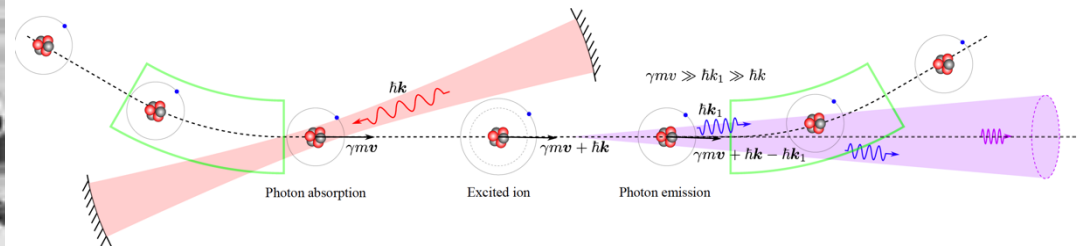


## Parallel Spectroscopy

# Fixed-target experimental configurations



# Conclusion



# Back-up Information

- *What is **Gamma Factory** (GF)*
- *Opportunities with primary, secondary, and tertiary beams*
- ***Atomic** physics at the GF*
- ***Nuclear** photophysics with fixed targets*
- ***Applied** physics examples*
- *Conclusions*

# Spectroscopy of PSI

## PSI=HCI=Highly Charged Ions

### Hydrogen-like Ions

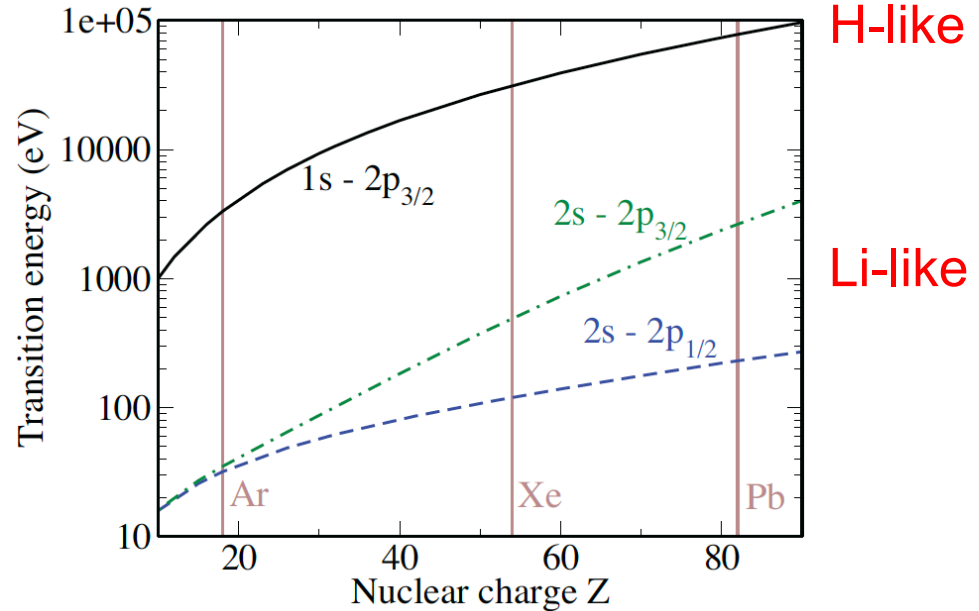
Transition energy $\Delta E_{nn'}$	$\propto (Z\alpha)^2$
Fine-structure splitting	$\propto (Z\alpha)^4$
Hyperfine-structure splitting	$\propto \alpha(Z\alpha)^3 m_e/m_p$
Lamb shift	$\propto \alpha(Z\alpha)^4$

Strong E-fields!

$\text{Pb}^{81+} : 10^{16} \text{ V/cm}$

Schwinger critical field

$$E_s = m^2 c^3 / (e\hbar) \approx 1.3 \times 10^{16} \text{ V/cm}$$





: direct excitation of heavy **PSI** with primary photons

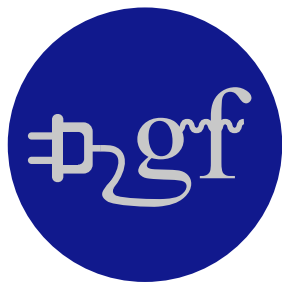
# Li-like ions

Ion	Transition energy	Reference
Pb <sup>79+</sup>	230.823 (47)(4)	theory, [5]
	230.76(4)	theory, [6]
Bi <sup>80+</sup>	235.809(53)(9)	theory, [5]
	235.72(5)	theory, [6]
U <sup>89+</sup>	280.645(15)	experiment, [7]
	280.775(97)(28)	theory, [5]

TABLE III. Energies (eV) of the  $1s^2 2s \ ^2S_{1/2} - 1s^2 2p \ ^2P_{1/2}$  transition in heavy lithium-like ions.

## PoP experiment

Parameter	Value
crossing angle	2.6°
Ion magnetic rigidity	787 T m
Ion $\gamma$ factor	96.3
Ion beam horizontal RMS size at IP	1.3 mm
Ion beam vertical RMS size at IP	0.8 mm
Ion revolution frequency	43.4 kHz
Laser photon energy	1.2 eV
Laser frequency	40 MHz
Laser pulse energy	5 mJ
Ion $2s_{1/2} \rightarrow 2p_{1/2}$ transition energy	230.8 eV
Maximum energy of back scattered photon	44.5 keV



Projected  $10^{-4}$  uncertainty in the PoP experiment:  
better than current theory state-of-the-art



□ Atomic Physics already in PoP! □



Fundamental symmetry tests at the



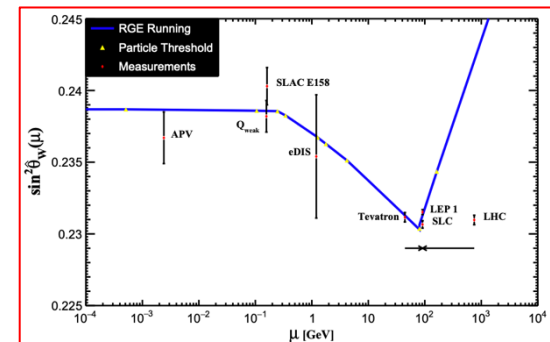
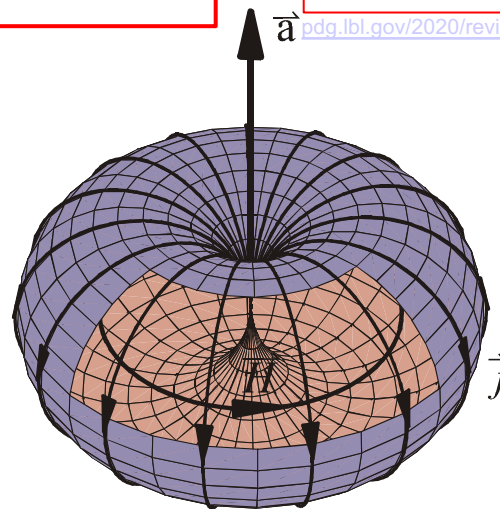
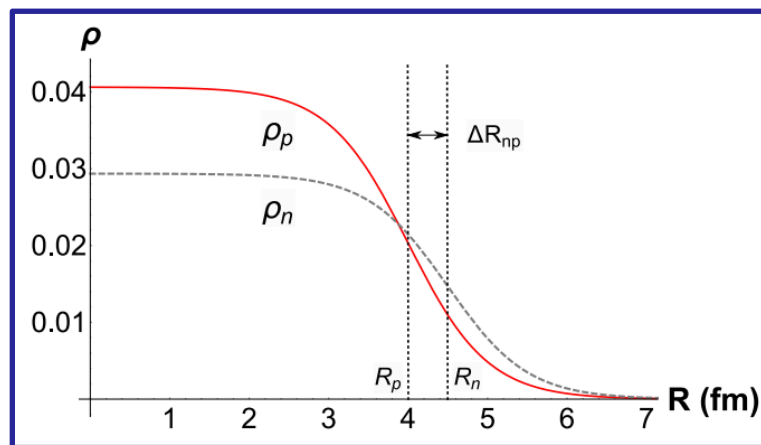


## Parity Nonconservation in Relativistic Hydrogenic Ions

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Why ?

- New physics (e.g.  $Z'$  bosons)
- Neutron skins
- Nuclear anapoles

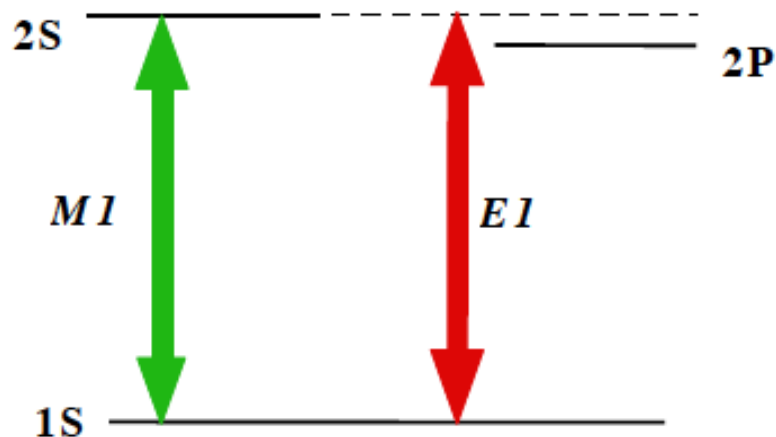


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## Parity Nonconservation in Relativistic Hydrogenic Ions

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level-mixing

$$|2S\rangle \Rightarrow |2S\rangle + i\eta|2P\rangle, \quad i\eta = \frac{\langle 2P|\hat{H}_w|2S\rangle}{E_{2S} - E_{2P}}$$



circular dichroism

Fig. 1. The 1S→2S transition in a hydrogenic system.

Table 2. Parameters of relativistic ion storage rings.

Parameter	RHIC	SPS	LHC
$\gamma_{\max}$ for protons <sup>a</sup>	250	450	7000
Number of ions/ring <sup>b</sup>	$\sim 5 \cdot 10^{11}$	$\sim 2 \cdot 10^{11}$	$\sim 5 \cdot 10^{10}$
Number of bunches/ring	57	128	500-800
R.m.s bunch length	84 cm	13 cm	7.5 cm
Circumference	3.8 km	6.9 km	26.7 km
Energy spread w/o laser cooling	$2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$4.5 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2 \cdot 10^{-4}$
Normalized Emittance (N.E.)	$\approx 4 \pi \cdot \mu\text{m} \cdot \text{rad}$	$\approx 4 \pi \cdot \mu\text{m} \cdot \text{rad}$	$\approx 4 \pi \cdot \mu\text{m} \cdot \text{rad}$
Dipole field	3.5 T	1.5 T	8.4 T
Vacuum, cold	$< 10^{-11}$ Torr (H <sub>2</sub> , He)	-	$< 10^{-11}$ Torr (H <sub>2</sub> , He)

<sup>a</sup> For hydrogenic ions,  $\gamma_{\max}^{\text{ions}} = \gamma_{\max}^p \cdot Z - 1/A$

<sup>b</sup> Estimated from proton and heavy ion data.

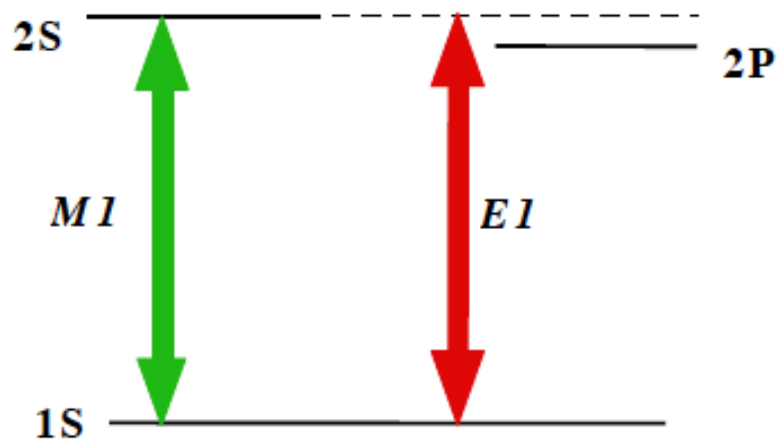



Fig. 1. The  $1S \rightarrow 2S$  transition in a hydrogenic system.

Table 1: Z-dependence of atomic characteristics for hydrogenic ions. In the given expressions,  $\alpha$  is the fine structure constant,  $\hbar=c=1$ ,  $m_e$  is the electron mass,  $G_F$  is the Fermi constant,  $\theta_w$  is the Weinberg angle, and  $A$  is the ion mass number.

Parameter	Symbol	Approximate Expression
Transition Energy	$\Delta E_{n-n'}$	$\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{n^2} - \frac{1}{n'^2} \right) \alpha^2 m_e \cdot Z^2$
Lamb Shift	$\Delta E_{2S-2P}$	$\frac{1}{6\pi} \alpha^5 m_e \cdot Z^4 \cdot F(Z)^a$
Weak Interaction Hamiltonian	$\hat{H}_w$	$i \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \frac{G_F m_e^3 \alpha^4}{64\pi} \cdot \left\{ (1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_w) - \frac{(A-Z)}{Z} \right\} \cdot Z^5$
Electric Dipole Amplitude ( $2S \rightarrow 2P_{1/2}$ )	$EI_{2S \rightarrow 2P}$	$\sqrt{\frac{3}{\alpha}} \cdot m_e^{-1} \cdot Z^{-1}$
Electric Dipole Amplitude ( $1S \rightarrow 2P_{1/2}$ )	$EI$	$\frac{2^7}{3^5} \sqrt{\frac{2}{3\alpha}} \cdot m_e^{-1} \cdot Z^{-1}$
Forbidden Magn. Dipole Ampl. ( $1S \rightarrow 2S$ )	$MI$	$\frac{2^{5/2} \alpha^{5/2}}{3^4} \cdot m_e^{-1} \cdot Z^2$
Radiative Width	$\Gamma_{2P}$	$\left( \frac{2}{3} \right)^8 \alpha^5 m_e \cdot Z^4$

<sup>a</sup> The function  $F(Z)$  is tabulated in Ref. 12. Some representative values are:  $F(1)=7.7$ ;  $F(5)=4.8$ ,  $F(10)=3.8$ ;  $F(40)=1.5$ .

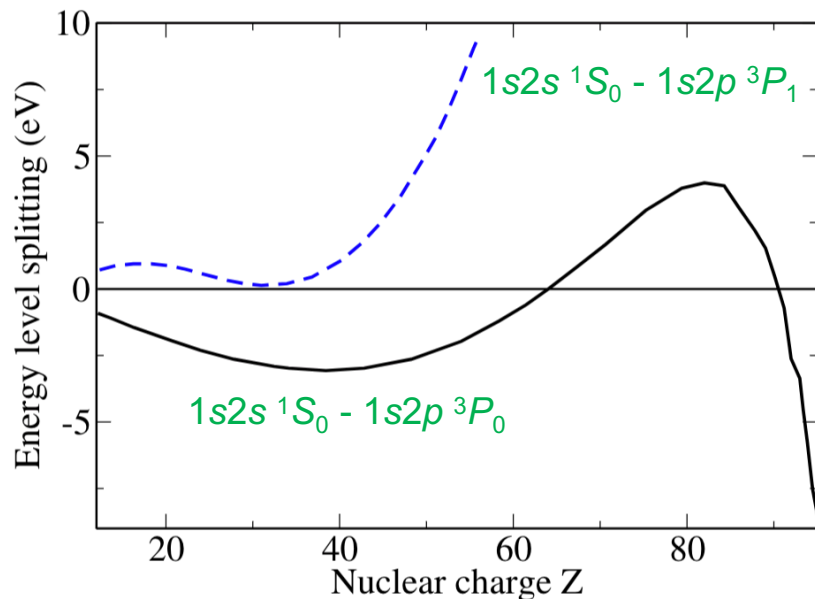
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control of systematics  
for **neutron-skins**

# Not only hydrogenic ions are interesting for parity violation!

## Level-crossing in He-like ions



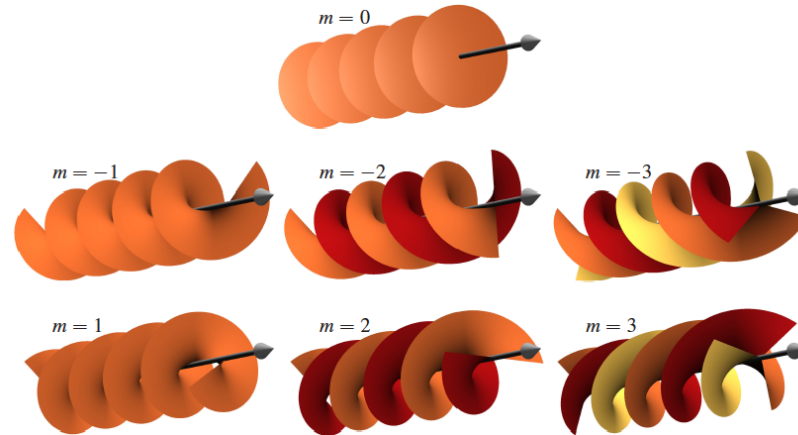
Parity-violating mixing

$$\eta = \frac{\langle \Psi_s | \hat{H}_w | \Psi_p \rangle}{E_p - E_s - i\Gamma/2}$$

$\propto Z^5$

Enhancement  
near  
level crossings

# More atomic physics at the



- Laser cooling of PSI in the ring: **enabling technology!**
- Twisted light (gamma)
- PSI in strong external fields (also for parity violation)
- Tests of special relativity
- Scattering of gamma rays on ions (Thompson, Delbrück, ...)
- ...



# Applied physics and enabling technologies



- Production of **medical isotopes** and **isomers**
- Nuclear waste disposal
- **Gamma-ray lasers ?**
- Precision **gamma polarimetry**
- ...

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## Proposal for selective isotope transmutation of long-lived fission products using quasi-monochromatic $\gamma$ -ray beams

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