



“Present status of development of a polarized La target in the T-violation search with a slow neutron”

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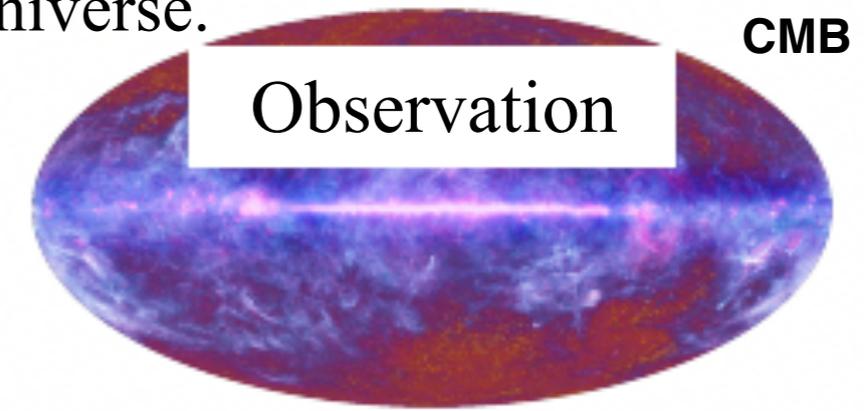
and **NOPTREX Collaboration**





Why is there far more matter than antimatter?

Standard theory cannot explain the matter-dominated universe.
There must be CP-violation somewhere .



Sakharov conditions

- Baryon number violation
- Departure from thermal equilibrium
- C, **CP Violation**

Photon number density

$$n_b/n_\gamma = 0.61 \pm 0.02 \times 10^{-9}$$
 Baryon number density

One solution :
“existence of unknown CP-violation”

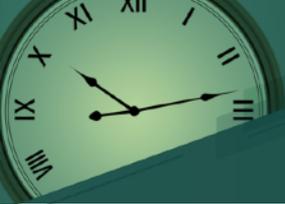
We Search for Unknown CP-violation
 through the T-violation search
 Using compound nuclear resonance.

Standard Model



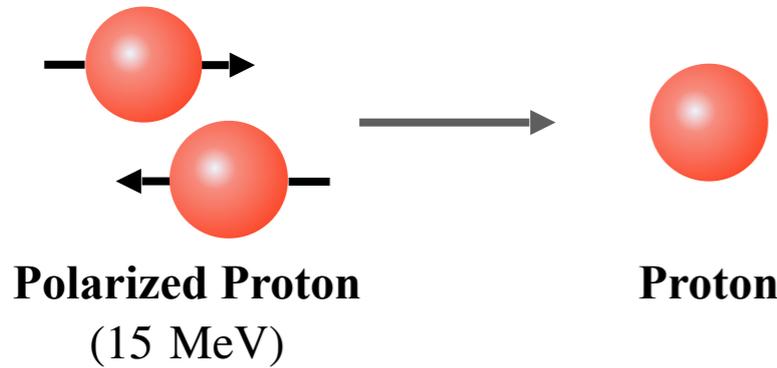
$$n_b/n_\gamma = 10^{-18}$$





P-violation measurements

P-P scattering



Helicity dependence of cross section

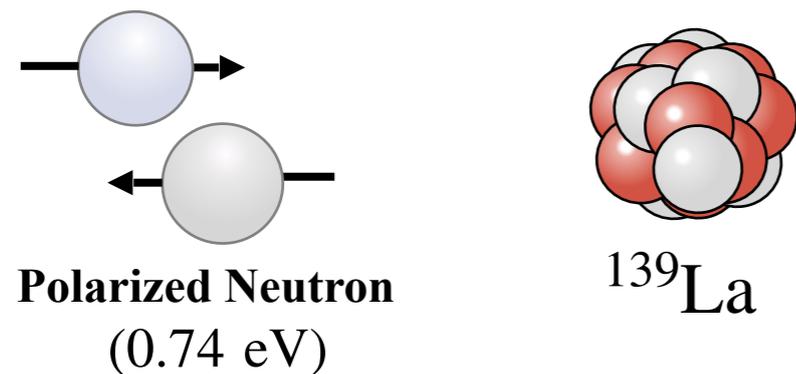
$$= - (1.7 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-7}$$

In nucleon-nucleon scattering, P-violation is $\simeq 10^{-7}$

Using Nuclear resonance

In compound nuclear resonance, the amplification is $\sim 10^6$, compare with P-P scattering.

Compound nuclear reaction with a Neutron



Helicity dependence of cross section at ^{139}La nuclear

$$= - (0.97 \pm 0.03) \times 10^{-1}$$

In Compound nuclear resonance, P-violation is $\simeq 10^{-1}$



Forward scattering amplitude in the Compound nuclear resonance

$$f = A' + B' \hat{\sigma} \cdot \hat{I} + C' \hat{\sigma} \cdot \hat{k} + D' \hat{\sigma} \cdot (\hat{I} \times \hat{k})$$

Spin Independent
P-even, T-even

P-violation
P-odd, T-even

Spin Dependent
P-even, T-even

T-violation
P-odd, T-odd



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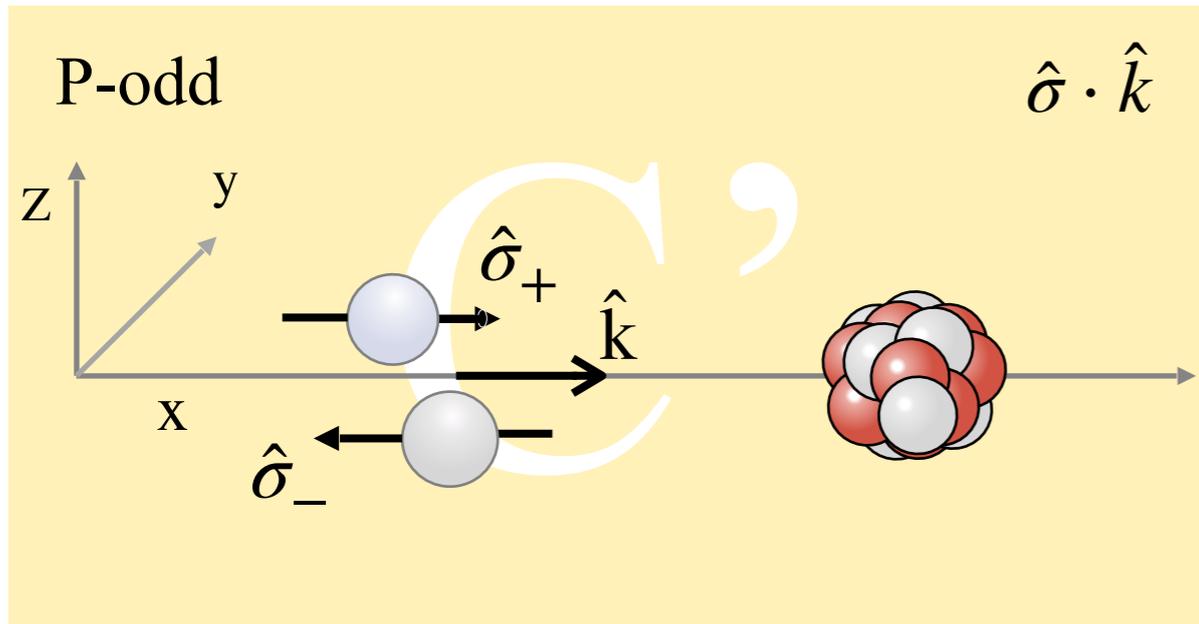
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Discover T-violation

Measure :

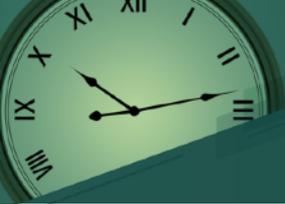
Difference in P-odd cross section between Up and Down spin. (neutron spins)



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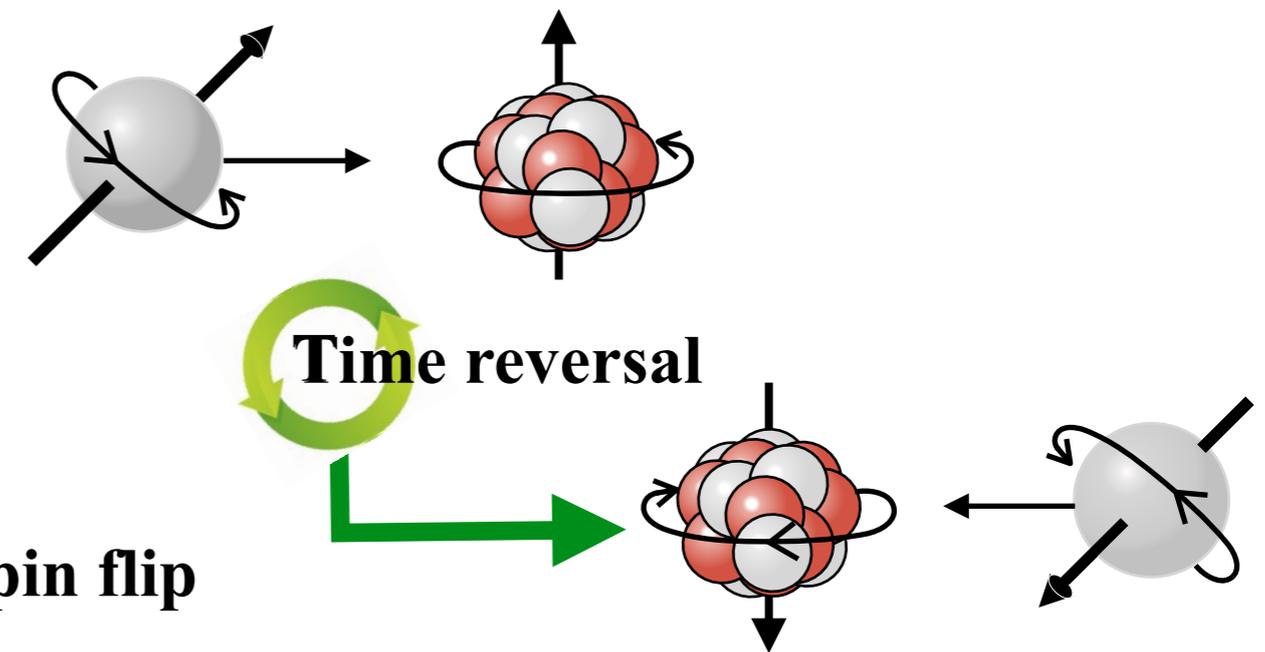
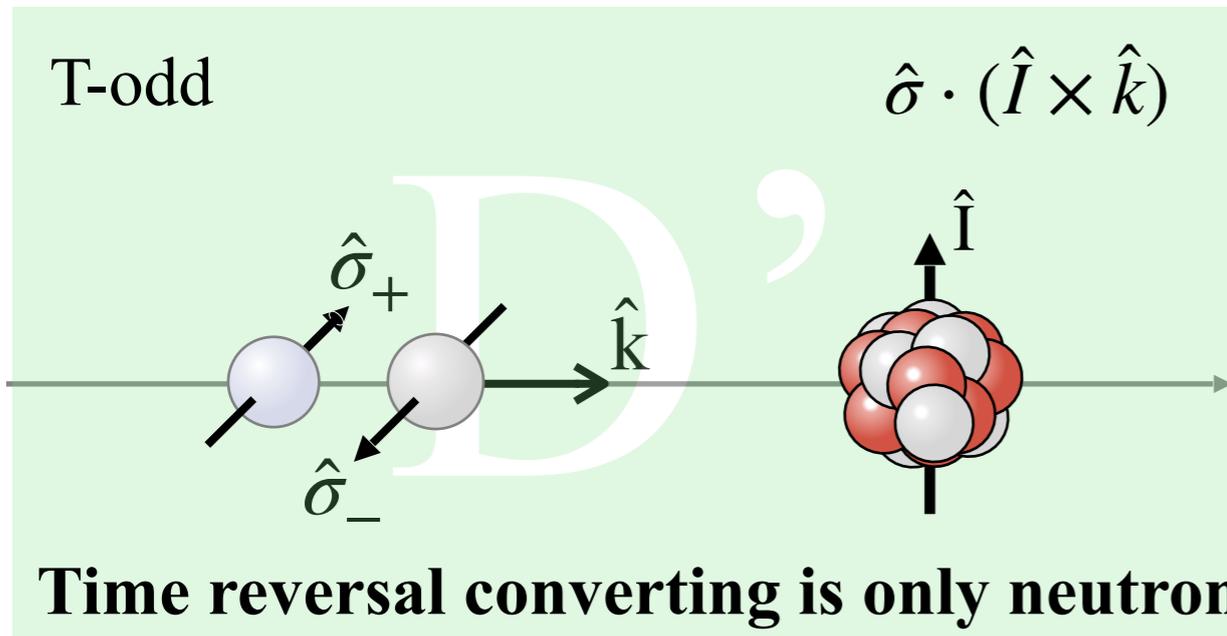


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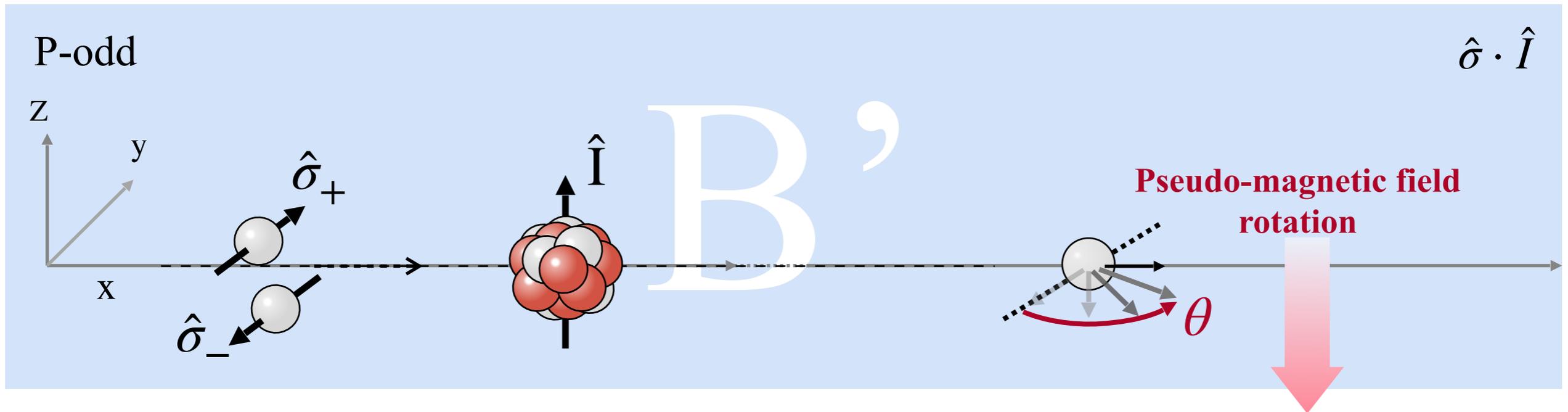
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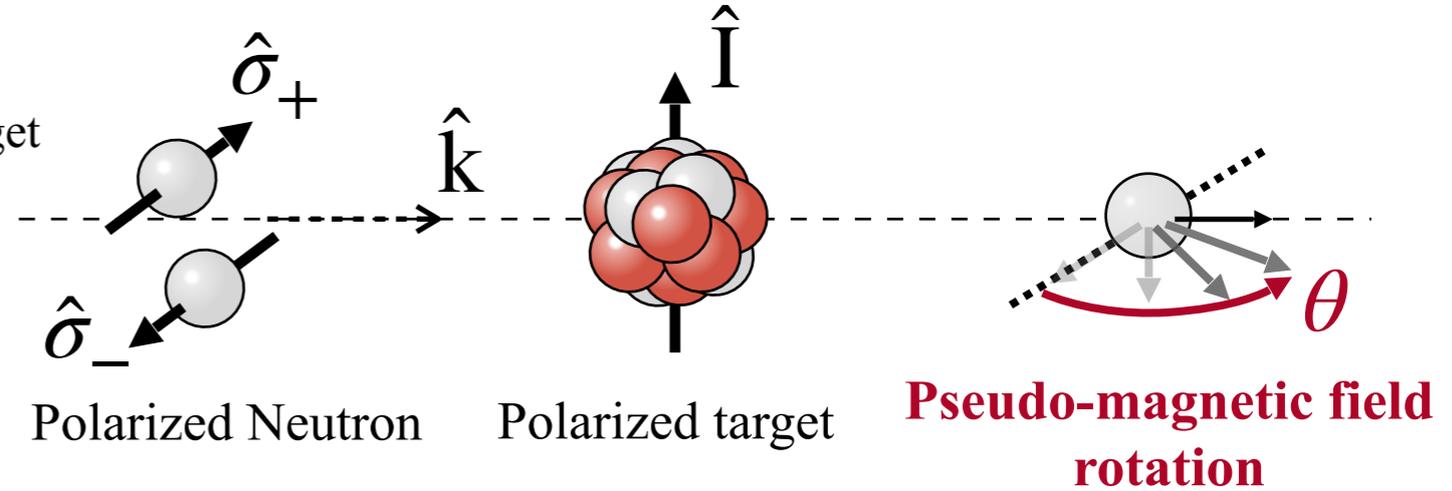
Largest systematics error of the T-violation search.

Pseudomagnetism V.Gudkov and H.M.Shimizu, pays. Rev. C95 045501 (2017)

Pseudo-magnetic field effect

created by interaction with the nuclear potential of the target

→ **Rotating neutron spin**
(transmitted through the sample)



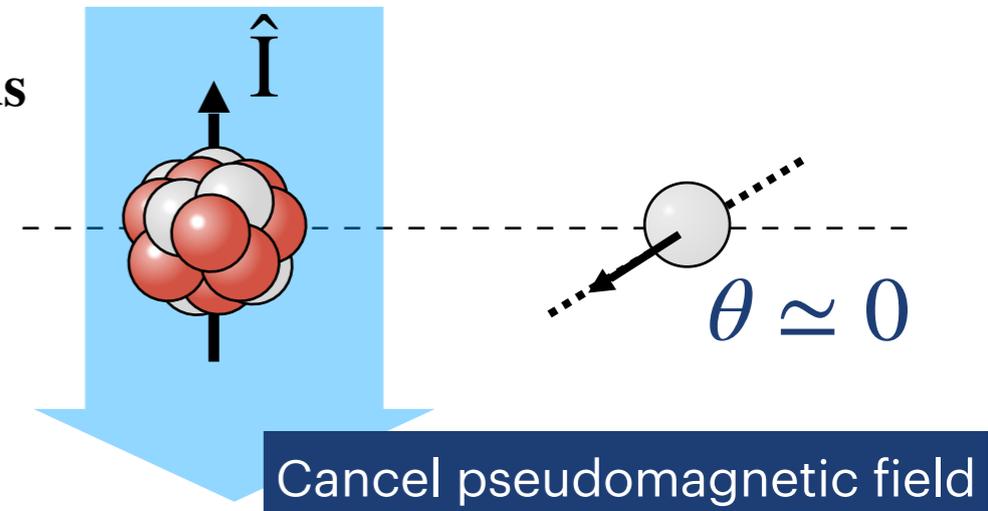
Solutions

Cancellation of the pseudo magnetic field with the target nucleus

Magnitude of the external field
 \simeq Magnitude of the pseudo magnetic field at the LaAlO_3 crystal

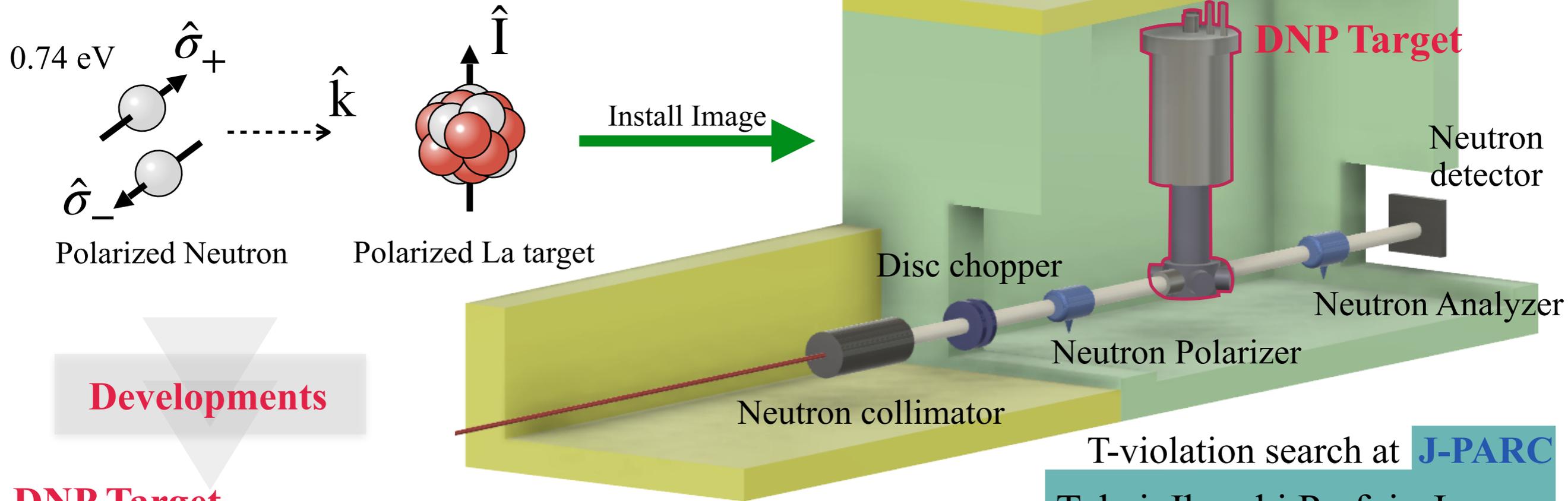
Polarization of ^{139}La 100% \rightarrow 0.23 [T]

50% \rightarrow 0.1 [T]

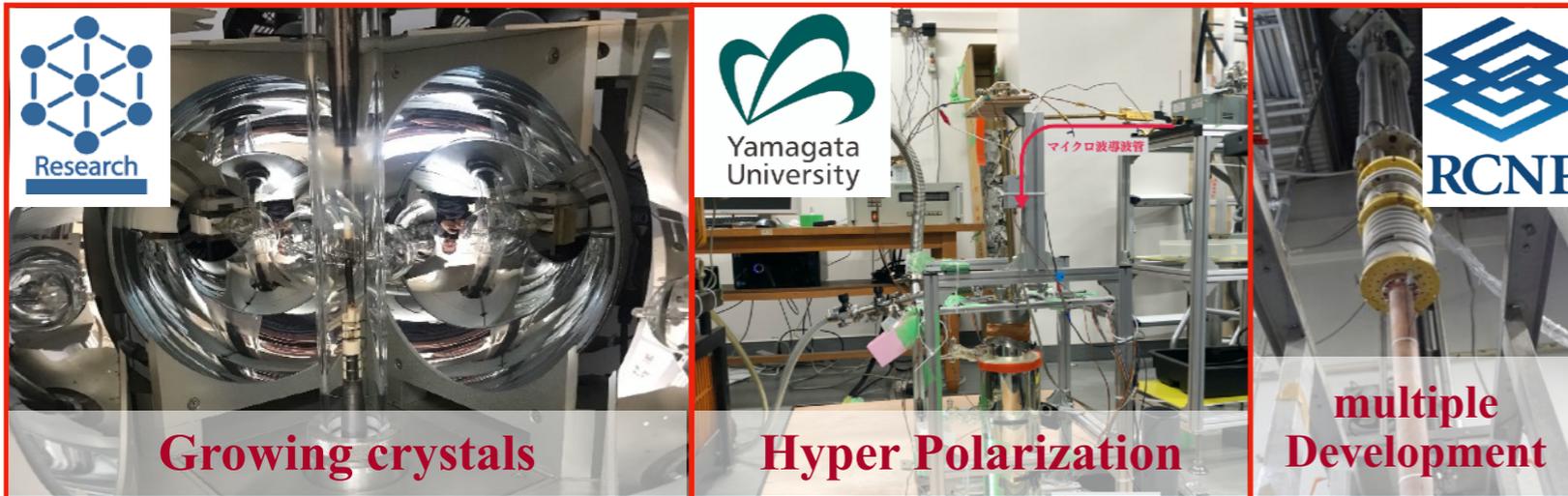


Future experimental design of T-violation search at **low field (0.1 T)**

Setup image and Developments



DNP Target



Japan



Polarize Target

LaAlO₃ crystal (Nd³⁺ doped)

Merit

- Quadrupole interaction diagonalized on C₃ axis
- Achievement of the high polarization by the DNP
(P. Hautle, M. Inuma, 2000, NIM A)
- Increase of doping amount Nd
 - Higher efficient polarization transfer
 - Strong spin-lattice relaxation

One of the plan

Condition of the polarized target → **0.1 K, 0.1 T**

- Canceling the pseudo magnetic field
- Spin frozen for a long relaxation time.



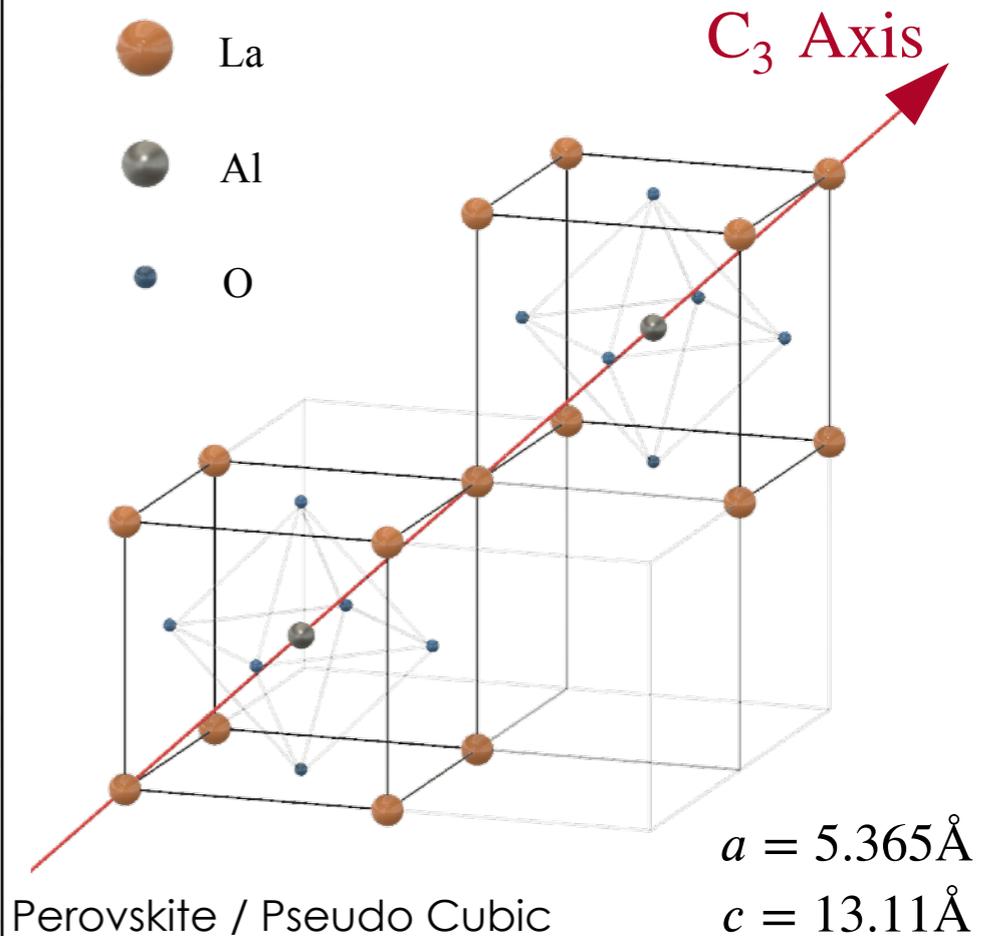
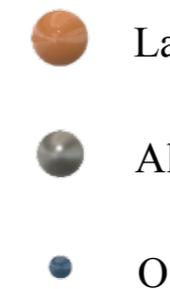
Atomic number 57

¹³⁹La

Spin $I = 7/2$

High Natural Abundance **99.91 %**

LaAlO₃ crystal structure





Estimation of the Relaxation Time at 0.1 [T]

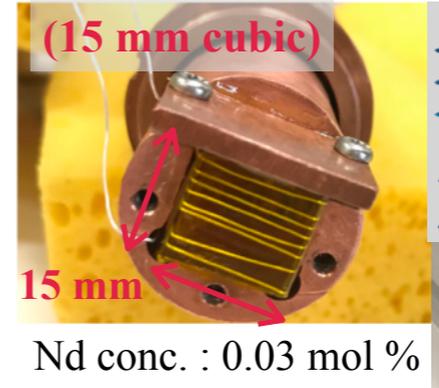
K.Ishizaki et al., Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A 1020(2021)165845.

T1 measurement at the Al nuclei in the LaAlO₃ crystal

Measurement conditions

Use of thermal NMR signals without the DNP

	La	Al
Oct. – Dec. / 2019	0.5K (5.0 T)	0.5K (0.5, 1.0, 2.5 T)
Mar. – Apr. / 2020	0.5K (0.5, 1.0, 2.5 T) 0.1K (0.75 T)	1.5K (1.0, 2.0 T)



Assumption of relaxation process via **Electric Spin-Spin reservoir (SSR)**

La relaxation time \cong Al relaxation time

Result : La nuclear similiary, $T_1 > 1$ [hour] \rightarrow

Not Good for use as a target

Nd Conc. [mol %]	(Temp. , Mag. Field) ([K], [T])	—	—	Relaxation Time at 0.1 T, 0.1 K
0.03	(0.1 K, 0.1 T)	—	—	T1 > 60 min



Assumption of relaxation process via **Electric Spin-Spin reservoir (SSR)**

$$\frac{1}{T_{1n}} \propto \boxed{C^2} \frac{1}{H_0^2} \left(\frac{1}{T_{1SS}} \right) (1 - P_0^2)$$

Nd concentration

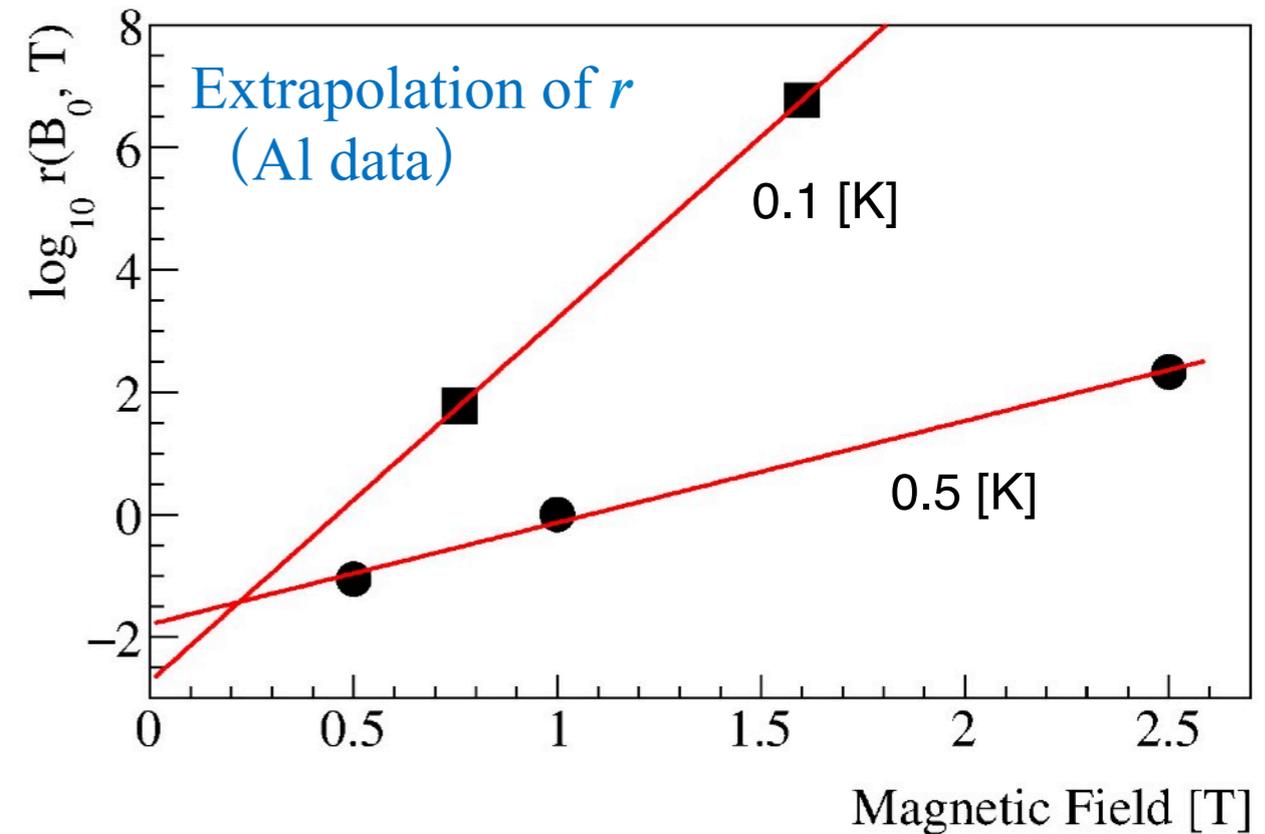
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Extrapolation of ratio of T_{1SS}

$$r(B_0, T) \equiv \left(\frac{1}{T_{1SS}(B_0, T)} \right) / \left(\frac{1}{T_{1SS}(1.0T, 0.5K)} \right)$$

Estimation at **0.1T 0.1K**

$$T_1(0.1T, 0.1K) \geq 1[h]$$



Necessity of the optimization of Nd concentration



Estimation of the Relaxation Time at 0.1 [T] in RCNP, Osaka University.

T1 measurement at the Al nuclei in the LaAlO₃ crystal

Measurement of nuclear spin relaxation time in lanthanum aluminate for development of polarized lanthanum target



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ABSTRACT

The nuclear spin–lattice relaxation time (T_1) of lanthanum and aluminum nuclei in a single crystal of lanthanum aluminate doped with neodymium ions is studied to estimate the feasibility of the dynamically polarized lanthanum target applicable to beam experiments. The application of our interest is the study of fundamental discrete symmetries in the spin optics of epithermal neutrons. This study requires a highly flexible choice of the applied magnetic field for neutron spin control and favors longer T_1 under lower magnetic field and at higher temperature. The T_1 of ¹³⁹La and ²⁷Al was measured under magnetic fields of 0.5–2.5 T and at temperatures of 0.1–1.5 K and found widely distributed up to 100 h. The result suggests that the T_1 can be as long as $T_1 \sim 1$ h at 0.1 K with a magnetic field of 0.1 T, which partially fulfills the requirement of the neutron beam experiment. Possible improvements to achieve a longer T_1 are discussed.

1. Introduction

The feasibility of the polarized nuclear target of ¹³⁹La is explored for the study of the spin-related correlation terms in compound nuclear states induced by polarized epithermal neutrons, which introduces an enhanced sensitivity to the breaking of spatial and time-reversal

and longer than several months after aging. This is a special case because, generally, SNP requires a long aging time to achieve high thermal polarization. In the case of ¹³⁹La, a magnetic field of 17 T and temperature of 0.01 K can provide a polarization of approximately 59%. One candidate target for the beam experiments is a metal target, which has been used in some beam experiments [9–11], because metal





Summary of past experiments

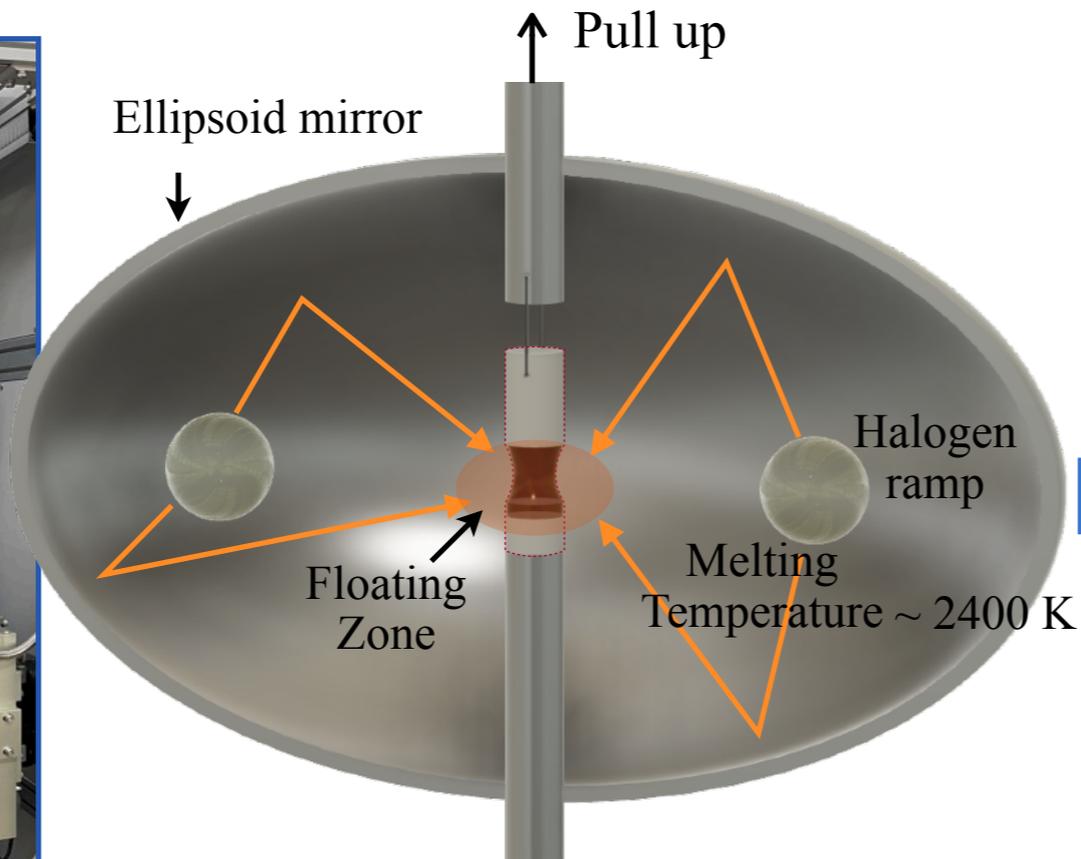
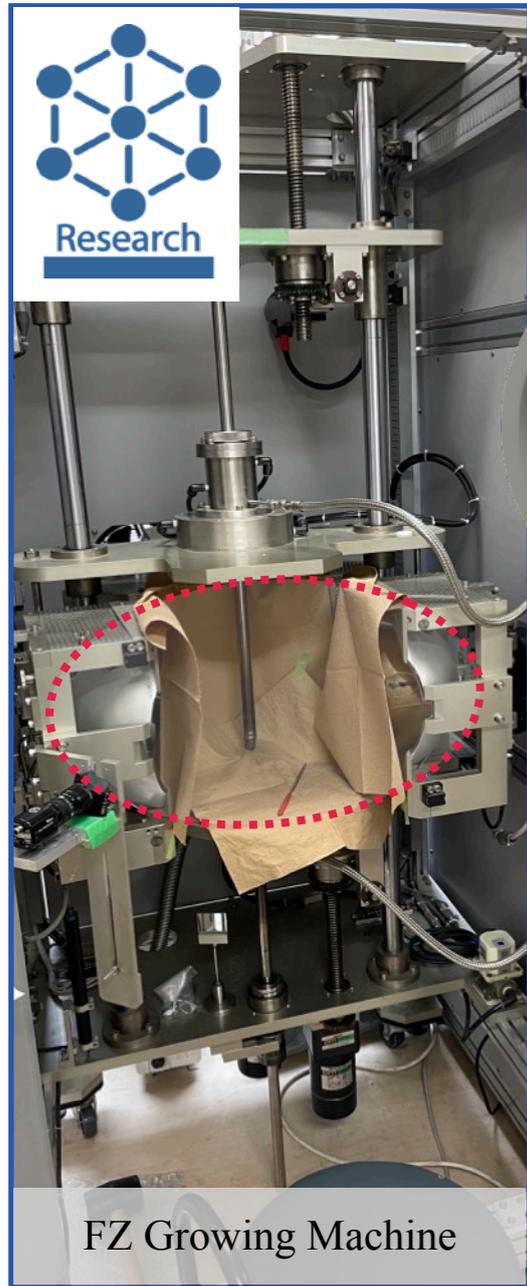
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Crystal was Grown by Nagoya	0.05	(1.3 K, 2.3 T)	0.2%	15 min	—
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	0.003		—	—	—

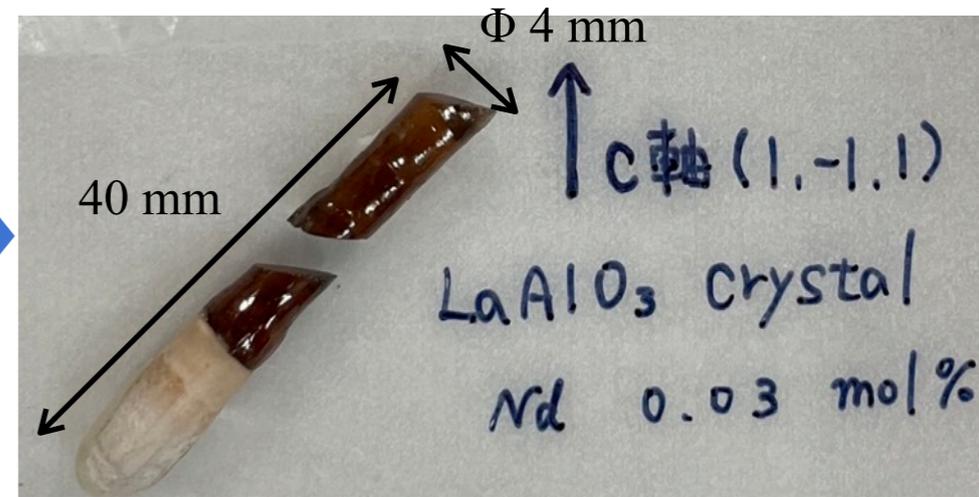
- Best Nd concentration: 0.03 mol% (0.3, 0.03, 0.003 mol %)
- 0.03 mol % has Higher Polarization and longer Relaxation-time than 0.05 mol %
- The appropriate amount of Nd concentration needs further study at lower Nd concentrations.

Required : Technique to control Nd concentration in the order of 0.001 mol %
→ Growing crystals with different Nd concentrations

Growing LaAlO_3 Crystal (Doped Nd ion) - Floating-Zone Method-



Grown crystals



Method

1. Condense light on the melting region using an ellipsoidal mirror, and melt raw material.
2. The crystals are pulled up while rotating, and cooled.

Successful preparation of some crystals with different Nd concentration

DNP Experiment at Yamagata Univ. (2022.03)

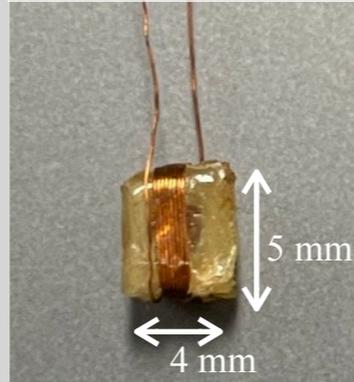
Sample Information

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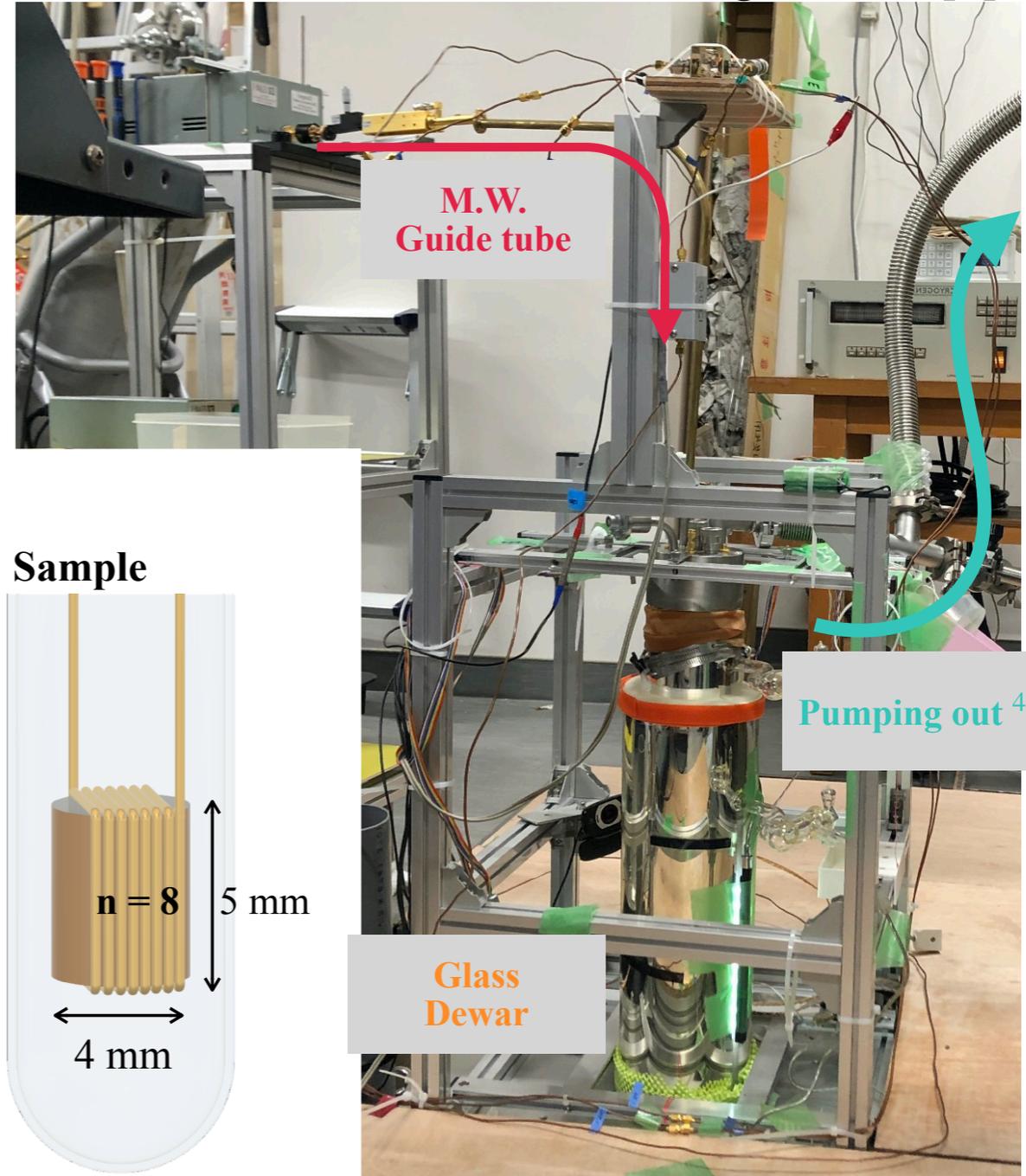
Nd^{3+} conc. : 0.01 mol %

Sample size : Cylinder ($\phi 4 \times 5$ mm)

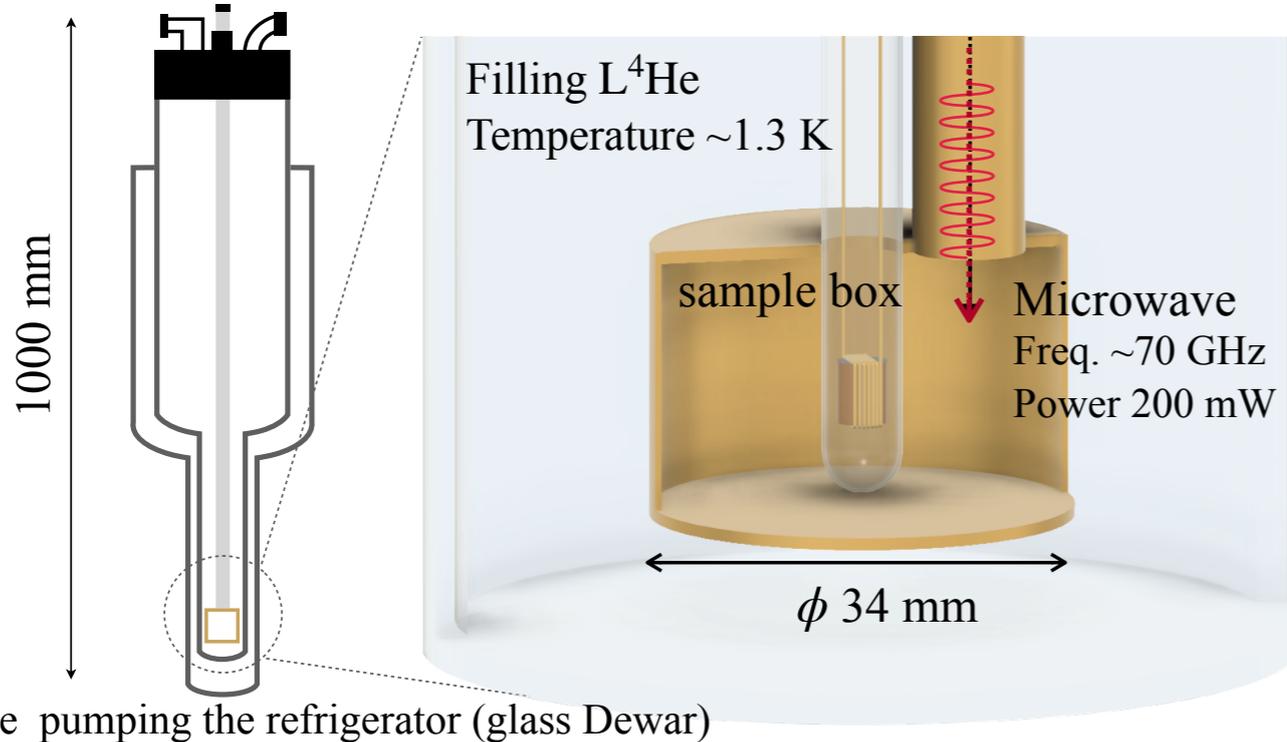
grown by Nagoya



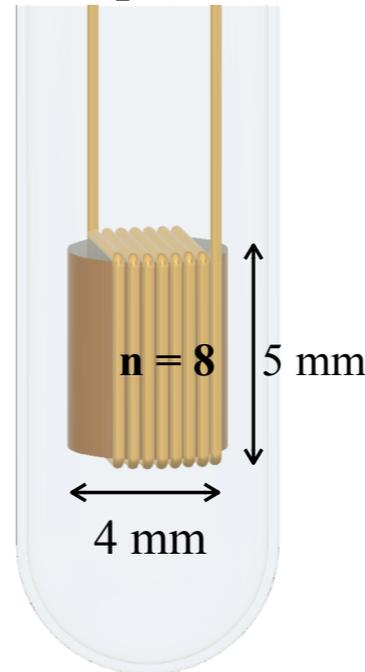
Continuous running time ~ 5 [h]



Detail of mount method



Sample



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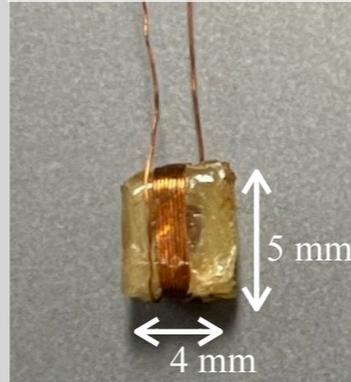
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Experiment Condition

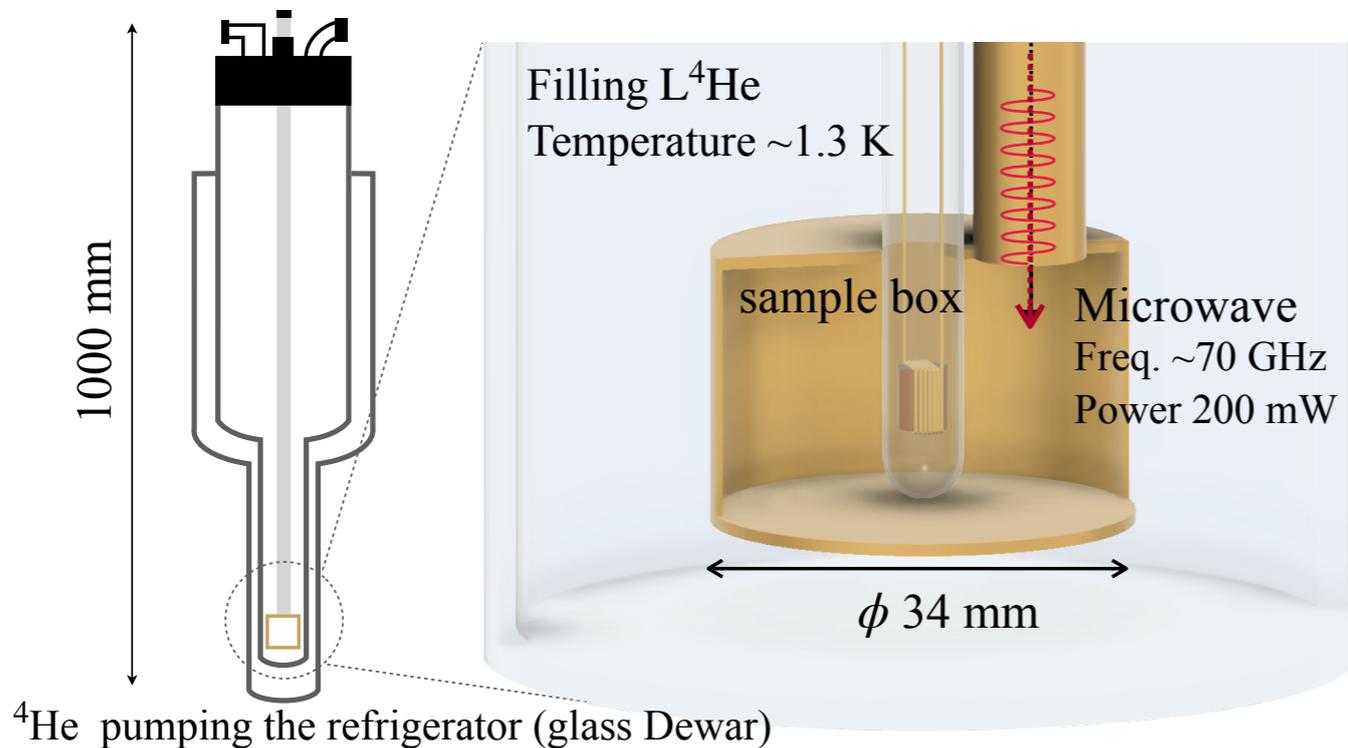
Temperature : 1.33 K

Magnetic field : 2.336 T

NMR Frequency : 14.505 MHz

M. W. Frequency : 69.435 GHz

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Measurement details

[1] Polarization of ¹³⁹La nucleus

Positive Polarization by DNP

Measures all NMR peaks of La nucleus (= 7 peaks)

[2] Buildup Time of ¹³⁹La nucleus

Estimates relaxation time from BuildupTime



[1] Polarization of ^{139}La nucleus

Positive Polarization by DNP

Conditions : $B = 2.336$ [T],
 $T = 1.33$. [K]

M.W. Freq. : 69.435 [GHz]

M.W. Irradiation Time : **2.5 [h]**

Result

measured DNP spectrum

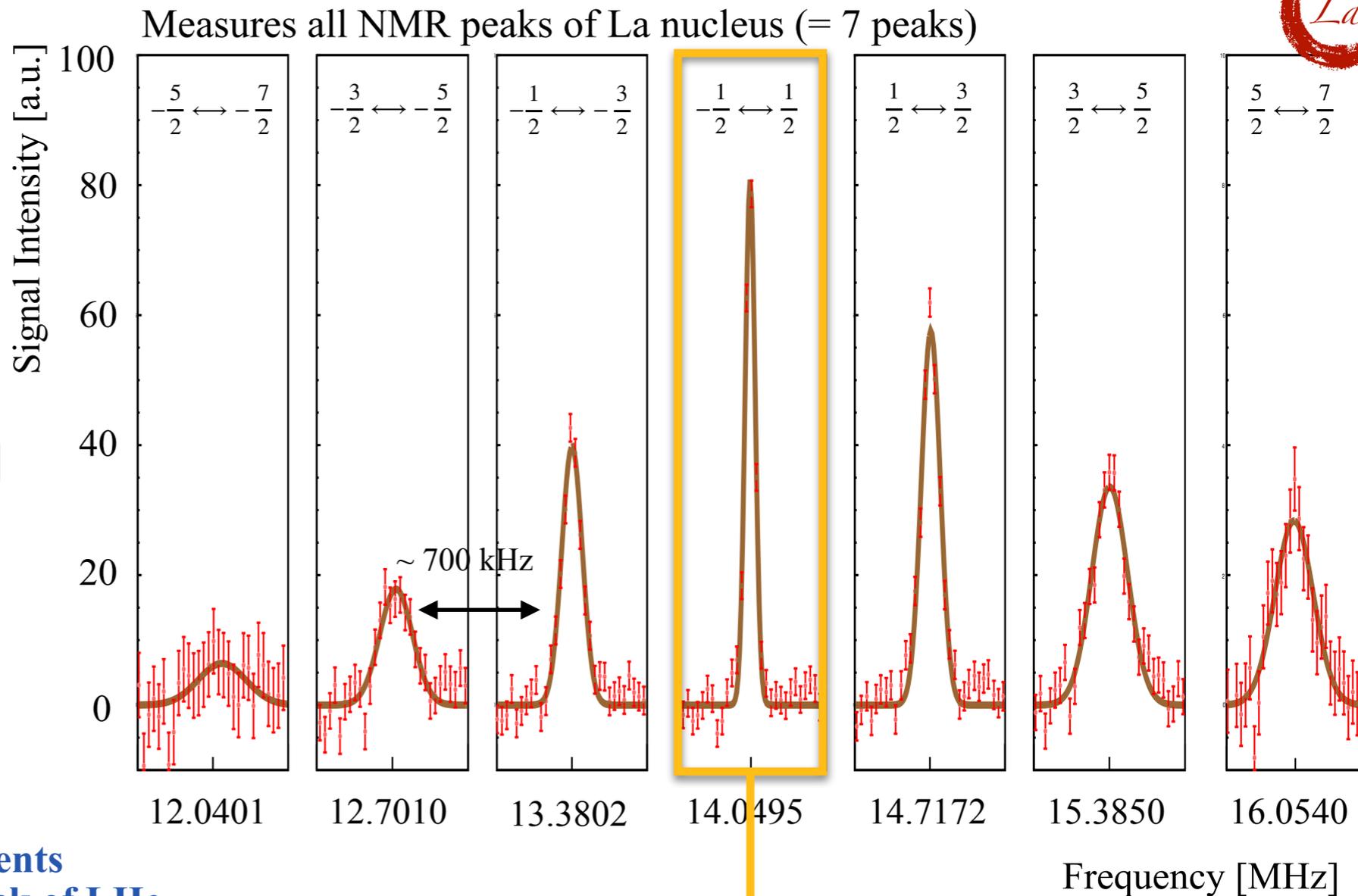
couldn't measure TE spectrum

→ TE signal Intensity is Small.

→ impossible to conduct experiments
for a long time due to lack of LHe

Result

Polarization : **19.7 ± 2.6 [%]**



Monitors only the Center Peak growing by microwave (DNP)
→ Measure Build-up Time.

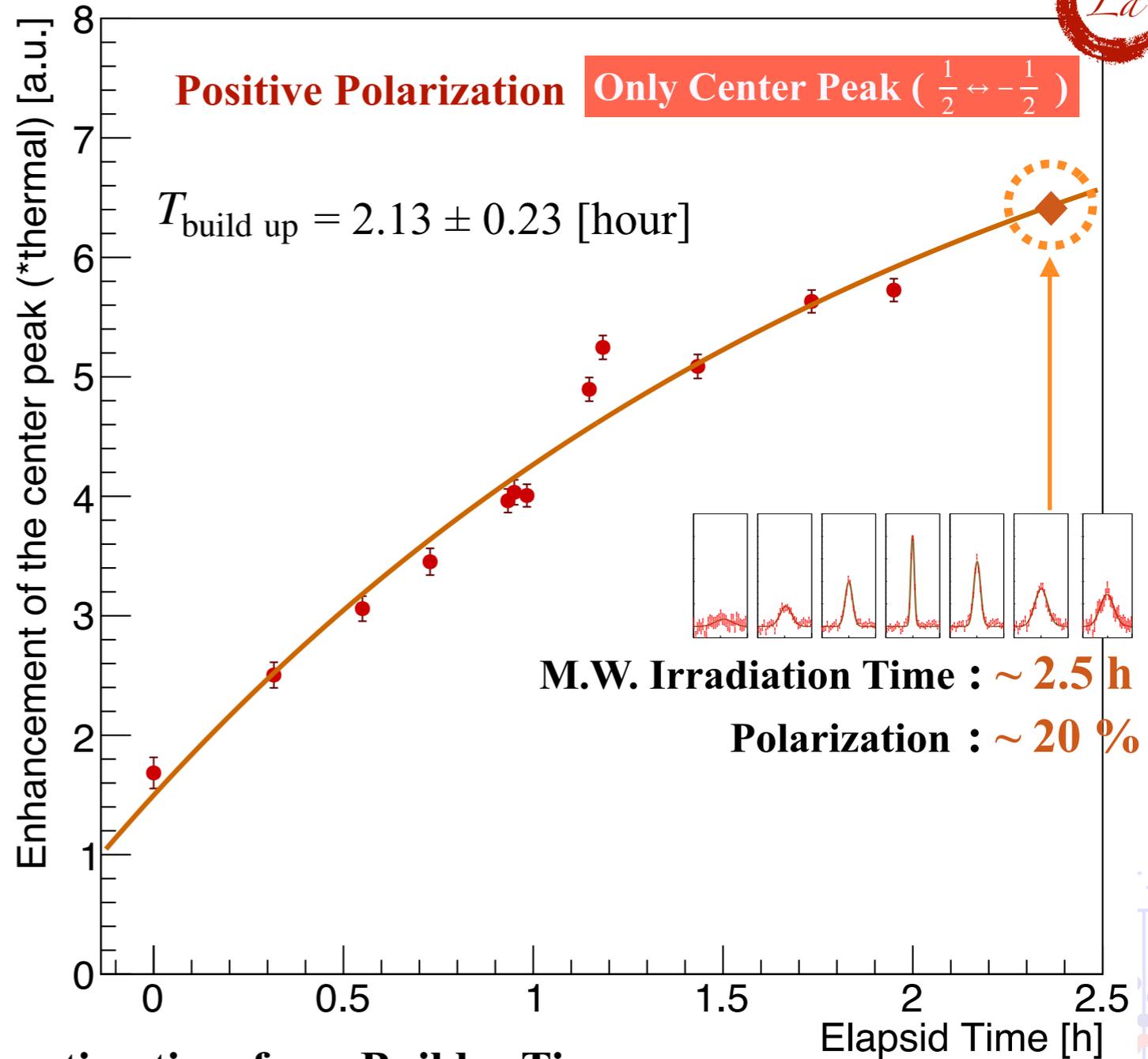
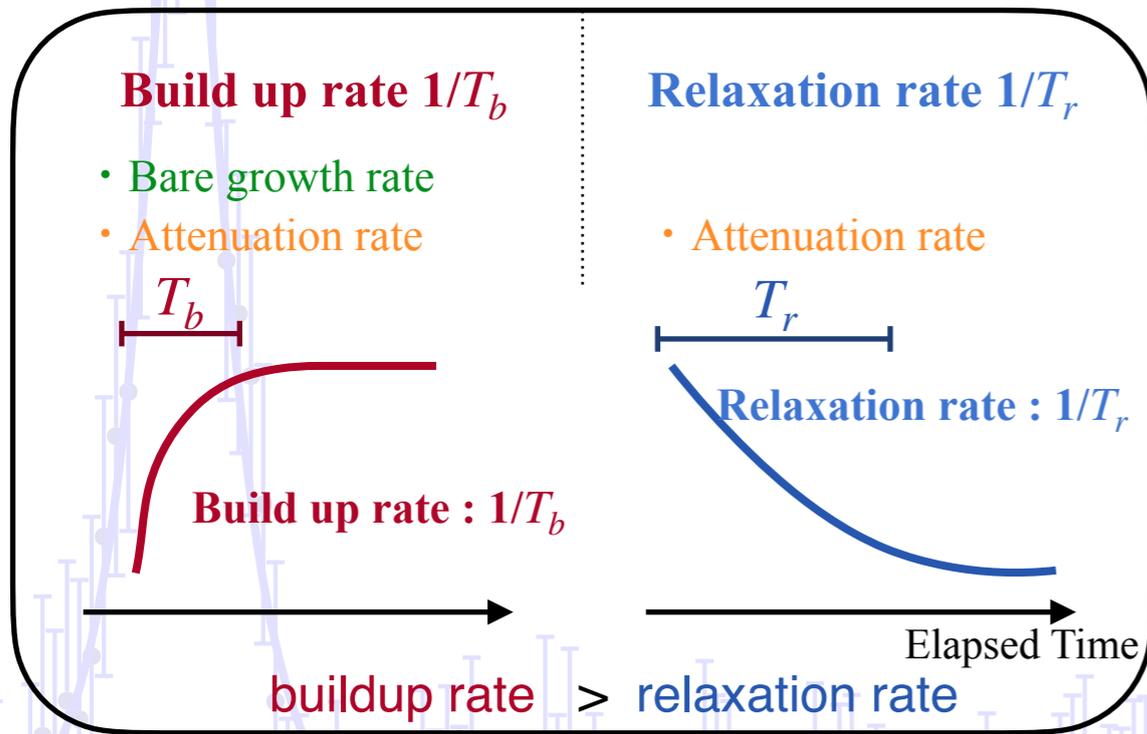




[2] Buildup Time of ^{139}La nucleus

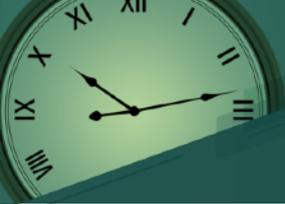
$T_{\text{build up}} = 2.13 \pm 0.23$ [hour]

...Relaxation Time could not be measured.
For time and other reasons.



Estimates polarization relaxation time from Buildup Time

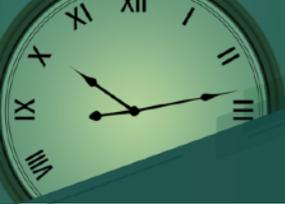
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	0.01	P > ~20%	T1 > ~120 min	2022 at Yamagata Univ. (Nagoya Univ.) ← This talk!
	0.003	—	—	Kyoto Univ.



Summary

- T-violation search (NOPTREX) require highly polarized target crystals with long relaxation times.
- $\text{Nd}^{3+}:\text{LaAlO}_3$ Crystal is a strong candidate for La polarization.

Best Nd^{3+} concentration: around 0.01 mol%

DNP Experiment @ Yamagata Univ.

$\text{Nd}^{3+}:\text{LaAlO}_3$ Crystal (Nd : 0.01 mol %) @ $B = 2.335 \text{ T}$, $T = 1.3 \text{ K}$

- Polarization (Nd^{3+} concentrations of 0.01 mol %) reached $\sim 19.7 \pm 2.6 \%$.
- not saturated polarization
- Buildup Time by DNP was measured as ~ 2 hours.
- Estimated nuclear **relaxation time T1** from BuildupTime, **longer than 2 hours.**

Future Plan

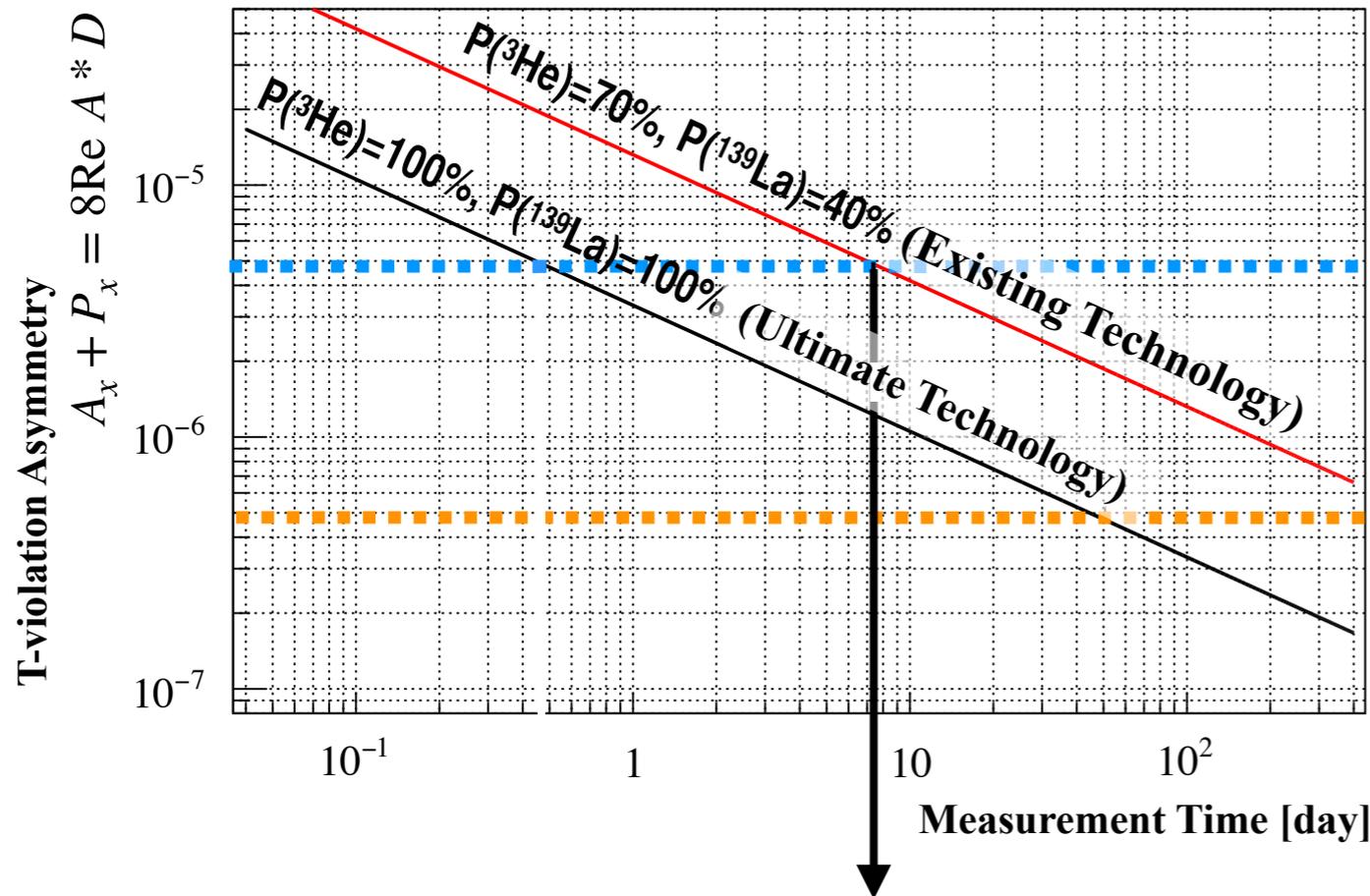
- More accurate measurement of T1 at 0.01 mol %.
- Need to more Study the effect T1 & Polarization by Nd concentration .
 - More dilute Nd conc. than 0.01 mol %
 - confirm that the grown crystals (Nd Conc. 0.03 mol %) are consistent with the previous experiments.
- Growing large crystals



Statistics required for T-violation search @ J-PARC

Polarization Condition:

Nuclear	Target	Size	B / T
^{139}La	LaAlO ₃ crystal	$4 \times 4 \times \underline{2.8}$ [cm] thickness	Low Field $1 = \left(\frac{0.1 \text{ [T]}}{100 \text{ [mK]}} \right)$



Discovery potential corresponding to nEDM ($d_n = 3.0 \times 10^{-26}$ [e cm])

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Existing technology → Statistics required about **1 week**.
Nuclear Polarization ~ 40 % (pusedo magnetic field $\simeq 0.1$ [T])





[1] Polarization of ^{139}La nucleus

Convert for the calculation

Horizontal axis
→ converted to **Energy of the spin state**

Vertical axis
→ converted to **Population**

Assumption of following
Boltzmann distribution

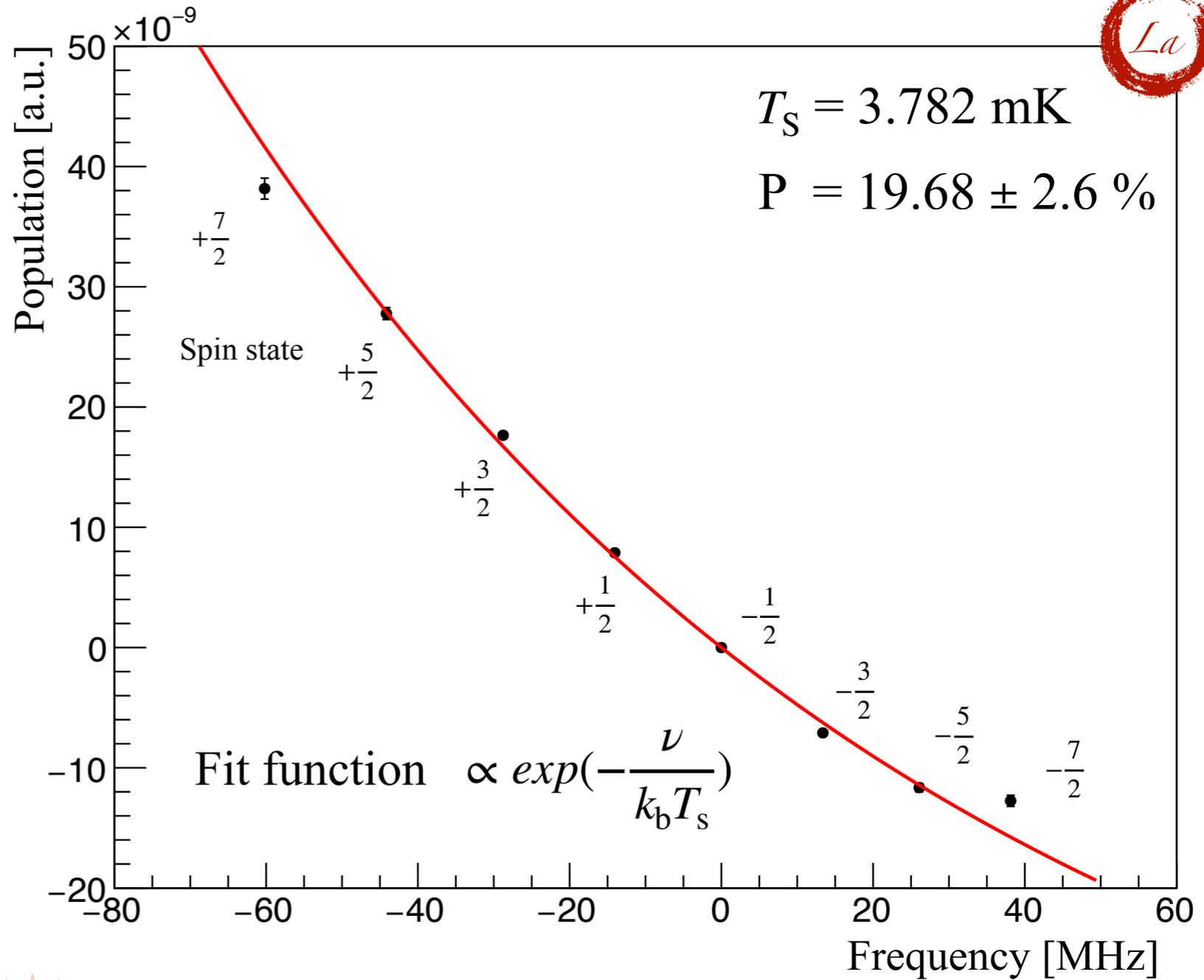
Fit function $\propto \exp\left(-\frac{\nu}{k_b T_s}\right)$

Result

Spin Temperature : 3.782 mK

Polarization : 19.68 ± 2.6 [%]

Maximum Polarization ≥ ~19.6 [%]



Calculation Method of the Polarization at ^{139}La

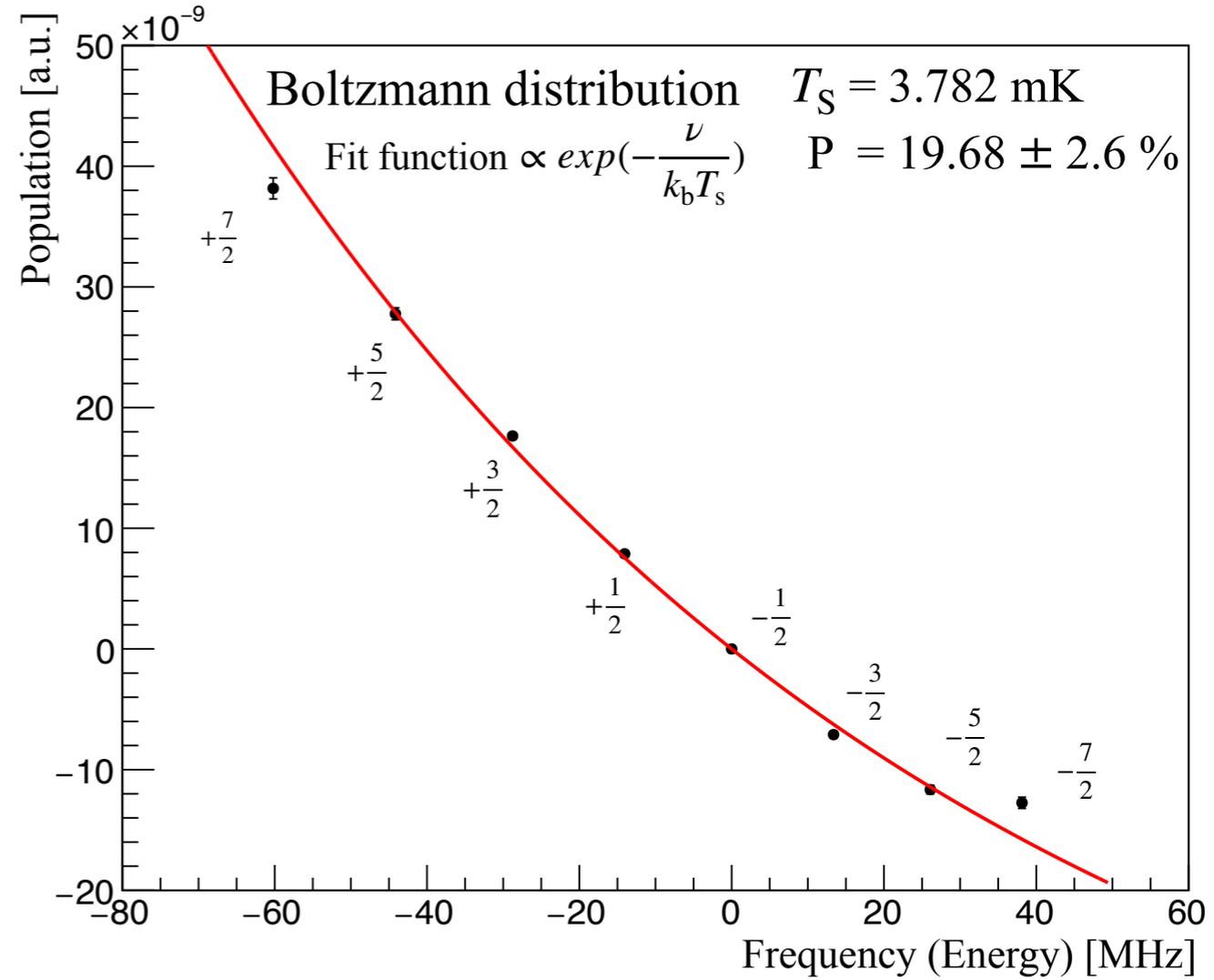
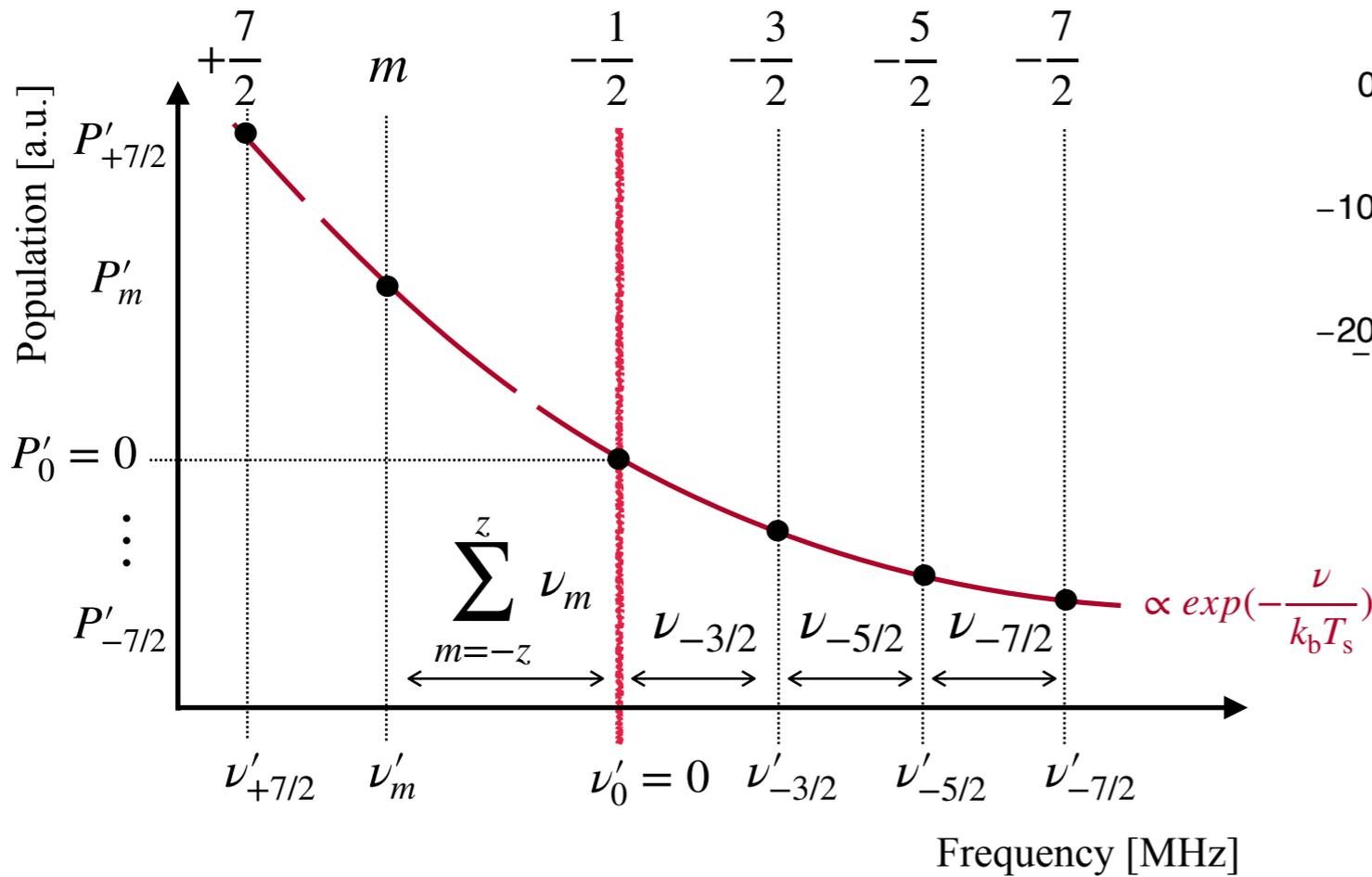
New frame graph

Energy Levels : E_m ($-I_z \leq m \leq +I_z$)

Frequency : $\nu(m) = \nu'(m) + \nu_0$

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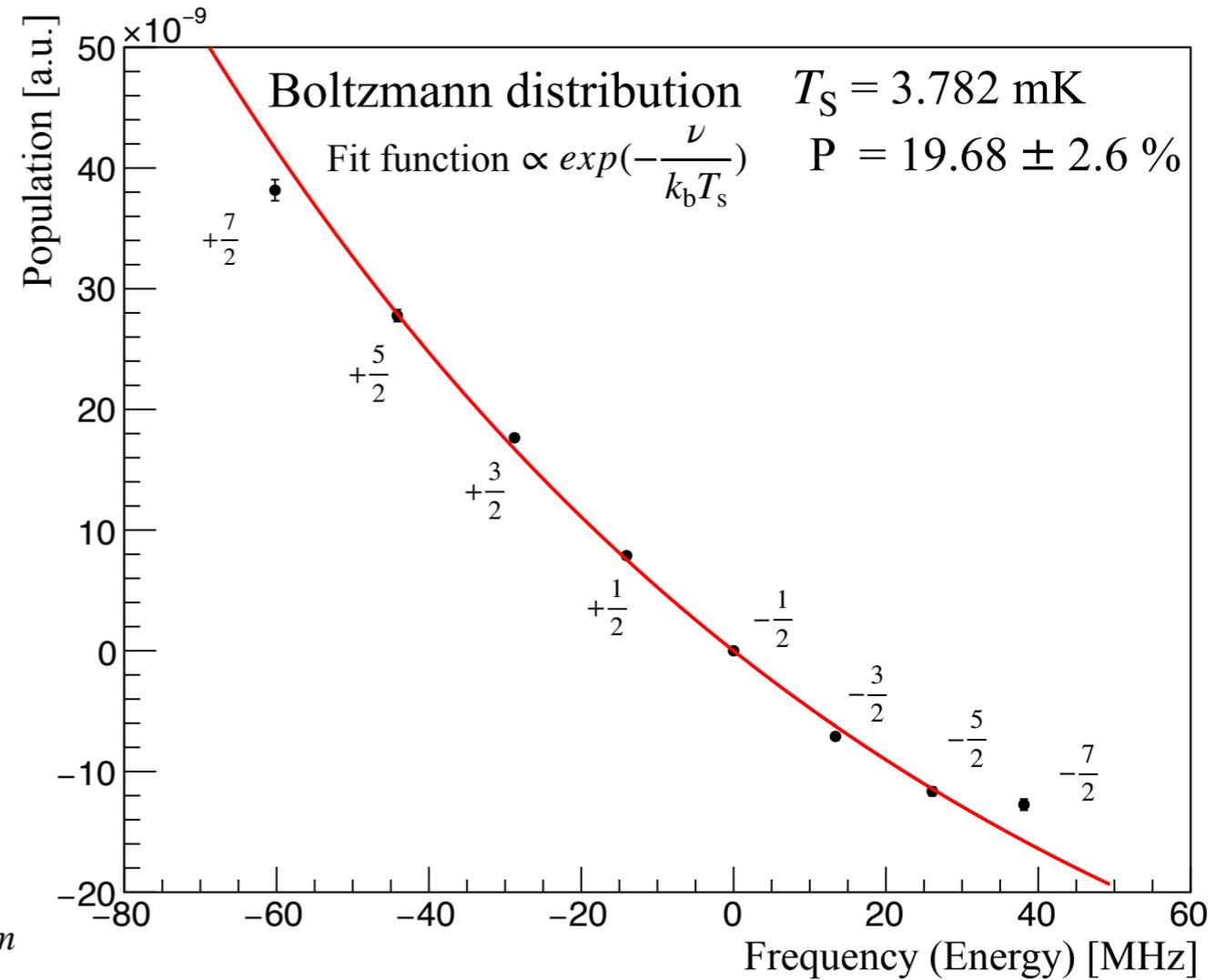
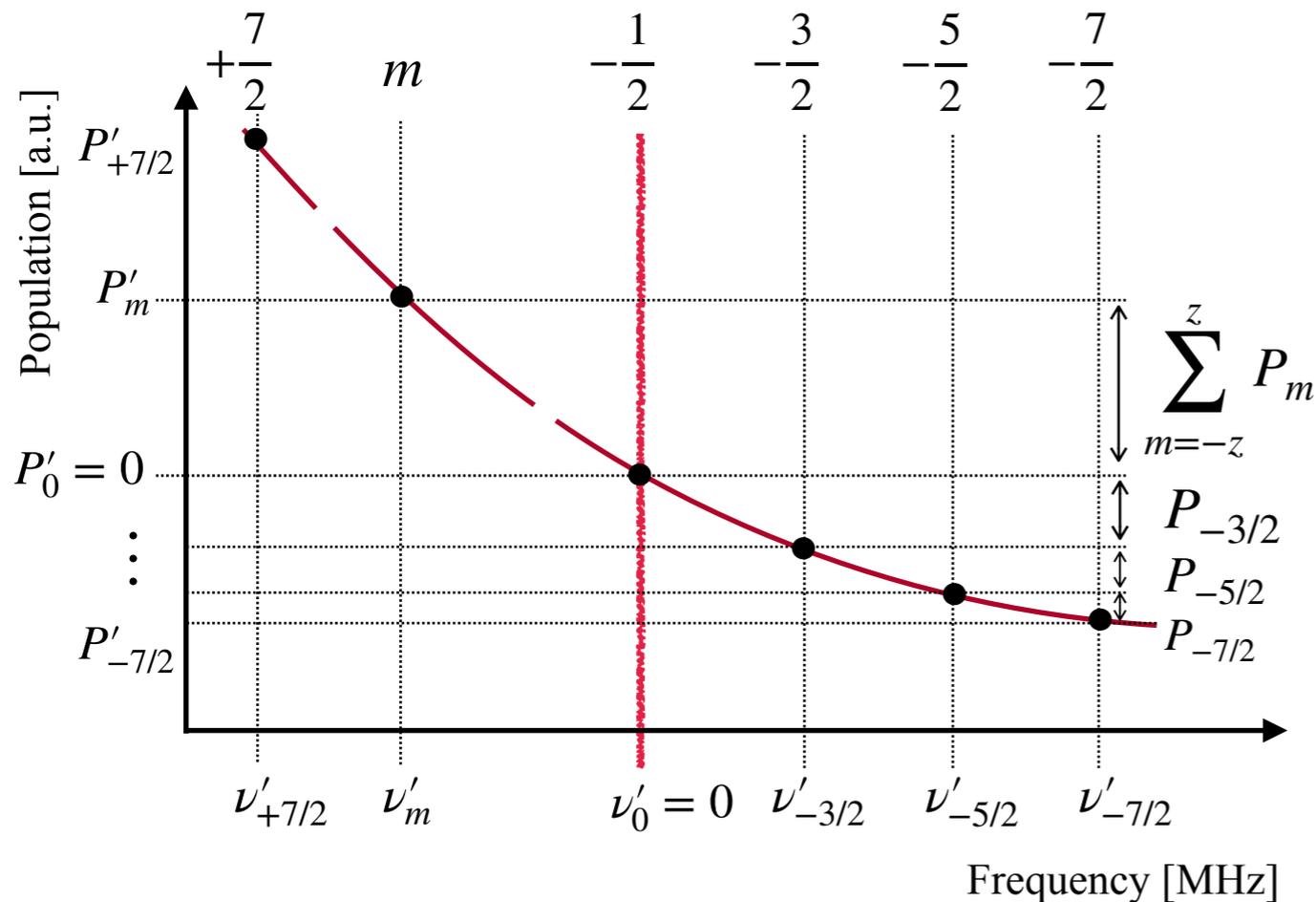
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