Laser spectroscopy to probe physics within and beyond the standard model

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"Never measure anything but frequency!"

Arthur Schawlow

1. Electron-proton mass ratio $\mu = m_e/m_p$

(by comparing the energy of various transitions over time)

$$\left(\frac{1}{\mu}\right) \left(\frac{d\mu}{dt}\right) = -0.5(1.6) \times 10^{-16}/\text{yr}$$

Electron Proton

Phys. Rev. Lett. **113**, 210802 (2014)

2. Lorentz invariance



Local position invariance 3.

$$\left(\frac{c^2}{\alpha}\right)\left(\frac{d\alpha}{d\Phi}\right) = 14(11) \times 10^{-9}$$

Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 011102 (2021)



Grand challenges in fundamental physics

Baryon asymmetry



New particles



Test of special relativity



images: wikipedia











Nature Reviews Physics 1, 510 (2019)

General idea:



General concept:



Larmor frequency: $h\nu = |2\mu B \pm 2dE|$

Dipole moment:

$$d = \frac{h \,\Delta \nu}{4E}$$

Sensitivity:
$$\delta d = \frac{\hbar}{2E \sqrt{2N\tau T}}$$









A new approach: ultracold atoms



	Seattle (2016)	quMercury		
		conservative	optimistic	Heisenberg
voltage	15 kV	10 kV	30 kV	30 kV
electrode gap	1.1 cm	0.5 mm	0.5 mm	1 mm
E-field	13.6 kV/cm	200 kV/cm	600 kV/cm	300 kV/cm
spin decoherence $ au$	100 s	100 s	300 s	100 s
atom number N	2 x 10 ¹⁴	10 ⁶	10 ⁸	10 ⁷
measurement time T	10 months	3 months	3 months	3 months
design sensitivity δd	(2 x 10 ⁻³³ <i>e</i> cm)	1.5 x 10 ⁻²⁸ <i>e</i> cm	7.6 x $10^{-31} e$ cm	2.6 x 10 ⁻³³ <i>e</i> cm
experimental sensitivity δd	7.4 x 10 ⁻³⁰ <i>e</i> cm			



Magneto-optical trapping of mercury

²⁰⁰Hg

10⁸ atoms 200 μK temperature 5 x 10⁶ atoms 30 μK temperature dipole trap loading

Next steps: optimization, scattering properties, evaporative cooling, quantum degeneracy, electric field plates, ...



Search for new particles





Here:

Precision spectroscopy of optical transitions to search for a fifth force



Experimental work: **MIT, Mainz,** JQI, PTB, Stanford, Rice, Torun, Bonn, FHI, ...

Proposal: Phys. Rev. Lett. **120**, 091801 (2018) MIT work: Phys. Rev. Lett. **125**, 123002 (2020)

depends on electronic orbital properties + nuclear properties



isotopes i, jtransitions α, β

depends on electronic orbital properties + nuclear properties

$$\bigvee_{\alpha ji} = \mathbf{F}_{\alpha} \, \delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{ji}$$

field shift (GHz scale) transitions α, β

depends on electronic orbital properties + nuclear properties

$$\bigvee_{\alpha j i} = \mathbf{F}_{\alpha} \, \delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{j i} + \mathbf{K}_{\alpha} \, \mu_{j i}$$

field shiftmass shiftisotopes i, j(GHz scale)(MHz scale)transitions α, β (MHz scale)

field shift

(GHz scale)

Isotope shift,

depends on electronic orbital properties + nuclear properties

$$\mathbf{v}_{\alpha j i} = \mathbf{F}_{\alpha} \, \delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{j i} + \mathbf{K}_{\alpha} \, \mu_{j i} + \mathbf{G}_{\alpha} \, \left(\delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{j i} \right)^2$$

mass shift

(MHz scale)

isotopes i, jtransitions α, β *second-order field shift* (kHz scale)

depends on electronic orbital properties + nuclear properties + new physics

$$\mathbf{v}_{\alpha j i} = \mathbf{F}_{\alpha} \,\delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{j i} + \mathbf{K}_{\alpha} \,\mu_{j i} + \mathbf{G}_{\alpha} \,\left(\delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{j i} \right)^2 + \mathbf{v}_{n e} \,\mathbf{D}_{\alpha} \,a_{j i}$$

Then:

- 1. Normalize by the mass shift μ_{ij}
- 2. Use a second optical transition β to remove the $\delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{ji} / \mu_{ij}$ field shift term

Isotope shift relation between two optical transitions,

depends on electronic orbital properties + nuclear properties + new physics

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{v}}_{\beta j i} = \boldsymbol{F}_{\beta \alpha} \, \tilde{\boldsymbol{v}}_{\alpha j i} + \boldsymbol{K}_{\beta \alpha} + \boldsymbol{G}_{\beta \alpha} \left(\delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{j i} \right)^2 + \boldsymbol{v}_{ne} \, \boldsymbol{D}_{\beta \alpha} \, \tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_{j i}$$

$$\stackrel{field shift}{\underset{\text{transitions } \alpha, \beta}{}} \stackrel{field shift}{\underbrace{}} \underset{\text{linear}}{} (\text{GHz scale}) \quad (\text{MHz scale}) \quad (\text{MHz scale}) \quad (\text{Hz scale}) \quad$$

-> graphical representation: King plot

A random example: Calcium ions



Phys. Rev. Lett. 115, 053003 (2015)

Desiderata:

- element that can be laser-cooled & trapped
 - could be atoms or ions (also HCIs)
- as many isotopes as possible
 - stable
 - large spread of neutron numbers
- I = 0 to steer clear of hyperfine structure
- as many optical transitions as possible
 - the narrower, the better
 - connecting different orbitals





 \rightarrow Ca, Ba, Zn, Cd, Hg, & Yb

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_{\beta j i} = F_{\beta \alpha} \, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_{\alpha j i} + K_{\beta \alpha} + G_{\beta \alpha} \left(\delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{j i} \right)^2 + \boldsymbol{v}_{ne} \, \boldsymbol{D}_{\beta \alpha} \, \tilde{a}_{j i}$$



Checklist:

- N isotopes (at least 4)
 - N-1 differences between isotopes (at least 3)
- N-2 optical transitions (at least 2 for a 2D King plot)
- 1 "DOF" used up for the mass shift ("mass of nucleus")
- 1 "DOF" used up for the field shift ("size of nucleus")
 - -> 1 "DOF" left for nonlinear terms

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_{\beta j i} = F_{\beta \alpha} \, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_{\alpha j i} + K_{\beta \alpha} + G_{\beta \alpha} \left(\delta \langle r^2 \rangle_{j i} \right)^2 + \boldsymbol{v}_{ne} \, \boldsymbol{D}_{\beta \alpha} \, \tilde{a}_{j i}$$



Checklist:

- N isotopes (at least 5)
- N-1 differences between isotopes (at least 4)
- N-2 optical transitions (at least 3 for a 3D King plot)
- 1 "DOF" used up for the mass shift ("mass of nucleus")
- 1 "DOF" used up for the field shift ("size of nucleus")
- 1 "DOF" used up for the second-order field shift
 - -> 1 "DOF" left for nonlinear terms

Isotope shift spectroscopy



Phys. Rev. Lett. **120**, 091801 (2018)

Isotope shift spectroscopy: Calcium





Phys. Rev. Lett. 115, 053003 (2015)

Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 123003 (2020)

Isotope shift spectroscopy: Ytterbium



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DUVSICAL REVIEW LETTERS 125, 123002 (2020) Precision determination of isotope shifts in ytterbium and implications for new physics N. L. Figueroa¹, J. C. Berengut², V. A. Dzuba², V. V. Flambaum², D. Budker¹, D. Antypas^{1,*} Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, Helmholtz-Institut Mainz, GSI Helmholtzzentrum für Schwerionenforschung, 55128 Mainz, Germany ² School of Physics, University of New South Wales, Sydney, New South Wales 2052, Australia We report measurements of isotope shifts for the five spinless Yb isotopes on the $6s^{2}{}^{1}S_{0} \rightarrow 5d6s{}^{1}D_{2}$ transition using Doppler-free two-photon spectroscopy. We combine these data with existing measurements on two transitions in Yb⁺ [Phys. Rev. Lett. 125, 123002 (2020)], where deviation from King-plot linearity showed hints of a new bosonic force carrier at the 3σ level. The combined data strongly reduces the significance of the new-physics signal. We show that the observed nonlinearity in the joint Yb/Yb^+ King-plot analysis can be accounted for by the deformation of the Yb nuclei.

Isotope shift spectroscopy: Ytterbium

quadrupole deformations + $G' \beta \alpha \delta(r^4)_{ji}$ + ...

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_{\beta j i} = \boldsymbol{F}_{\beta \alpha} \, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\nu}}_{\alpha j i} + \boldsymbol{K}_{\beta \alpha} + \boldsymbol{G}_{\beta \alpha} \left(\boldsymbol{\delta} \langle r^2 \rangle_{j i} \right)^2 + \boldsymbol{v}_{n e} \, \boldsymbol{D}_{\beta \alpha} \, \tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_{j i}$$

field shift

mass shift

second-order field shift

New Boson

linear

offset

nonlinear / quadratic

nonlinear



Now what?

(1) Move away from s-orbitals



Suppression of field shift for non-*s* states in relativistic atoms:



(2) Search for nuclei with less quadrupole deformations

Quadrupole Deformation (# 1002)



Phys. Scr. 92, 04005 (2017)

Mercury:

- 5 suitable isotopes
- Lots of transitions
- Less quadrupole deformations than Yb





Quadrupole Deformation (# 1002)



Calcium:

- 5 stable bosonic isotopes
- nuclear shell closures at N = 20 and N = 28
- lots of very narrow transitions
- Compare with Ca⁺ ions and HCI
- masses have been measured (last week!)





Phys. Rev. C 26, 2194 (1982)



Isotope shift spectroscopy: back to Calcium

A new approach: simultaneous operation of two calcium beam clocks.

- target instability: 10⁻¹⁶
- target sensitivity: mHz range





Test of special relativity

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images: wikipedia

The Sagnac effect



The Sagnac effect (1913)



Albert Einstein





George Sagnac



The Michelson-Gale experiment (1925)





Albert A. Michelson

Henry G. Gale





-> First time that Sagnac is used for Earth rotation

The Sagnac effect



(2) From phase to frequency:

$$f_{Sagnac} = \frac{4}{\lambda S} \vec{A} \vec{\Omega}$$

(3) Consider a square of arm length *L*:

$$f_{Sagnac} = \frac{L}{\lambda} \Omega \sin \theta$$
"scale factor" $\in \mathbb{N}, \mathcal{O} (10^7)$

The Sagnac effect

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The G Ring at Wettzell



Sensitivity:



G ring (Wettzell): $\delta \Omega = 12 \text{ prad/s}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$



Take-home message: 10⁻⁸ within 3 hours







sub-diurnal variations !

$$f_{Sagnac} = \frac{L}{\lambda} \ \Omega_E \ \sin \theta$$

Sagnac frequency: Our observable, at the 10⁻⁹ level

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Sagnac frequency: Our observable, at the 10⁻⁹ level

Earth rotation rate

$$f_{sagnac} = \frac{L}{\lambda} \ \Omega_E \ \sin \theta$$

The contributed observations used in the preparation of this Bulletin are available at <http://www.usno.navy.mil/USNO/earth-orientation/ eo-info/general/input-data>. The contributed analysis results are based on data from Very Long Baseline Interferometry (VLBI), Satellite Laser Ranging (SLR), the Global Positioning System (GPS) satellites, Lunar Laser Ranging (LLR), and meteorological predictions of variations in Atmospheric Angular Momentum (AAM).

COMBINED EARTH ORIENTATION PARAMETERS:



Sagnac frequency: our observable, at the 10⁻⁹ level Earth rotation rate: from VLBI, at the 10⁻¹² level

$$f_{sagnac} = \frac{L}{\lambda} \ \Omega_E \ \sin \theta$$

Scale factor

longitudinal mode number N

$$\frac{L}{2 \lambda} \cong N = \frac{f}{FSR}$$

Measured with a frequency comb:

 $f = 473\ 612\ 701.08\ \pm\ 0.15\ {\rm MHz}$

 $FSR = 18.734\ 385\ 26\ \pm 2\ MHz$



 $\rightarrow P = 16.002\ 252\ 12\ m$



Sagnac frequency: our observable, at the 10⁻⁹ level Earth rotation rate: from VLBI, at the 10⁻¹² level

$$f_{Sagnac} = \frac{L}{\lambda} \ \Omega_E \ \sin \theta$$

Projection onto rotation axis

Scale factor: integer number (25 280 397)

- (1) Use IERS data to fix pole coordinates to within 0.1 mas (3×10^{-10})
- (2) Use on-site VLBI, LL, SLR, GNSS etc. to determine G ring position (= latitude θ) to better than 10 cm (1 x 10⁻⁸)
- (3) Use tiltmeters to level the ring laser at sub-nrad precision (< 10^{-9})





Space-geodetic techniques

Tiltmeter

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$$f_{Sagnac} = \frac{L}{\lambda} \ \Omega_E \ \sin \theta$$

Scale factor: integer number (25 280 397) Projection onto rotation axis: 10⁻⁸ to 10⁻⁹ level

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