

# Theoretical overview of atomic parity violation

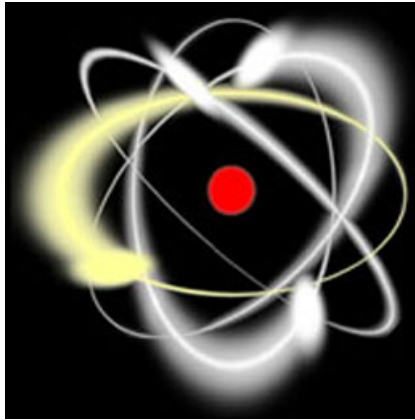
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# Outline

## Atomic Parity Violation (APV)

- ❖ How does APV work?
- ❖ Historical notes
- ❖ Single-isotope measurements (focus on Cs)
  - ❑ Review of recent theoretical developments:
    - Breit, radiative, and neutron skin
  - ❑ Updated value of the weak charge
  - ❑ Challenges
- ❖ APV measurements in a chain of isotopes
  - ❑ Neutron skin/halo complications

# Collaborators

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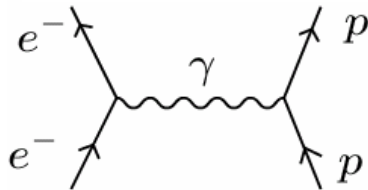


# Atomic parity violation

Parity transformation:  $\mathbf{r}_i \rightarrow -\mathbf{r}_i$

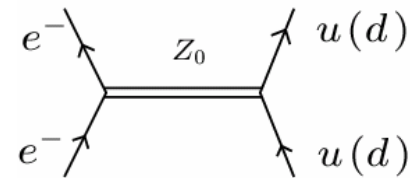
$[\mathbf{H}_{\text{atomic}}, \mathbf{P}] = 0 \Rightarrow$  Atomic stationary states are eigenstates of Parity

Electromagnetic



Conserve parity

Electroweak



Do not conserve parity

Z-boson exchange spoils parity conservation

**What is the strength of electroweak coupling of quarks and electrons?**

# Historical notes

- ⇒ Zel'dovich 1958: APV idea; optical activity; effect too small?
- ⇒ Realization that P-violation may be observable in heavy atoms (Bouchiat & Bouchiat 1974)
- ⇒ First observation: optical rotation in  $^{209}\text{Bi}$  (Barkov & Zolotarev 1978)
- ⇒ Other observations: Tl, Pb, Cs atoms
- ⇒ Most accurate (0.35%) experiment in  $^{133}\text{Cs}$  (Colorado group 1997); discovery of the anapole moment

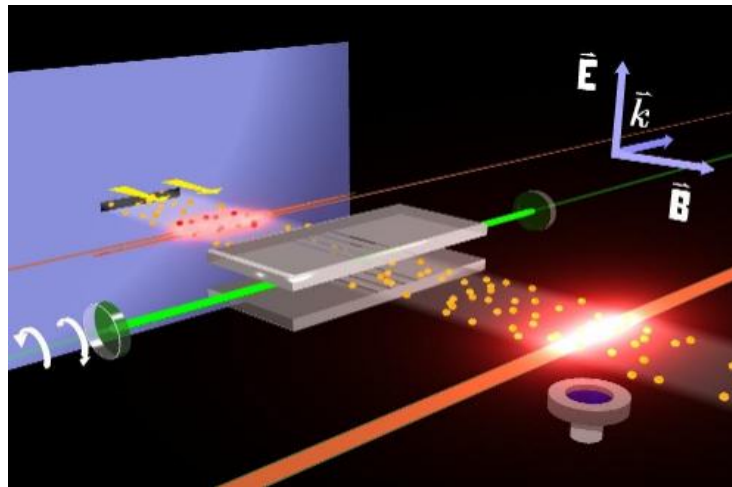


Table-top APV experiment using Stark-interference by Colorado group

# Talks on Atomic Parity Violation @ PAVI'06

16-MAY-2006

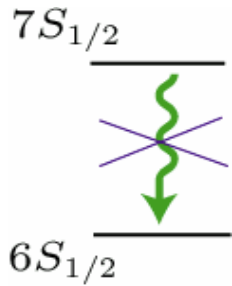
19:15 – 19:45 (30 min)	Michel Lintz	Kastler Brossel Lab	A Precise PV Measurement in the Cesium Atom using Stimulated Emission
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17-MAY-2006 Morning Session

10:45 – 11:15 (30 min)	Christian Chardonnet	University of Paris XIII	Parity Violation in Molecules: Towards a First Experimental Observation
11:15 – 11:45 (30 min)	Dmitry Budker	University of California at Berkeley	Probing the Isotopic Dependence of APV in Ytterbium
11:45 – 12:05 (20 min)	K. Tsigutkin	University of California at Berkeley	Parity Nonconservation in Atomic Ytterbium: Status of the Berkeley Experiments
12:05 – 12:35 (30 min)	Gerald Gwinner	University of Manitoba	Atomic Parity Nonconservation Measurements in Francium
12:35 – 12:55 (20 min)	Stefano Sanguinetti	University of Pisa	The TRAP-RAD Experiment: Prospects for Parity Violation Measurements in Cold Francium Atoms

Not presented here Ba<sup>+</sup> (Seattle)

# Parity-violating 7S-6S Amplitude in Cs



$$\langle 7S_{1/2} | D | 6S_{1/2} \rangle \equiv 0$$

$$D = \sum_{i=1}^N -e \mathbf{r}_i$$

Electric-dipole transition is forbidden by the **parity** selection rules

Weak interaction leads to an admixture of states of opposite parity  
( $H_W$  is a pseudoscalar)

$$|\overline{6S_{1/2}}\rangle = |6S_{1/2}\rangle + \sum_m |mP_{1/2}\rangle \frac{\langle mP_{1/2} | H_W | 6S_{1/2} \rangle}{E_{6S} - E_{mP_{1/2}}}$$



Similarly for  $|\overline{7S_{1/2}}\rangle$

$$E_{PV} = \langle \overline{7S_{1/2}} | D | \overline{6S_{1/2}} \rangle = \sum_m \frac{\langle 7S_{1/2} | D | mP_{1/2} \rangle \langle mP_{1/2} | H_W | 6S_{1/2} \rangle}{E_{6S} - E_{mP_{1/2}}} + \text{c.c.} (6S \leftrightarrow 7S)$$

Tiny effect

$$E_{PV} \sim 10^{-11} \text{ atomic units}$$

# Weak charge extraction

Electron-quark PV interaction (exchange of virtual  $Z^0$  boson)

$$H_W = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} (\bar{e} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 e) \{ C_{1u} \bar{u} \gamma^\mu u + C_{1d} \bar{d} \gamma^\mu d \} + \dots$$

In electronic sector

$$H_W = Q_W \times \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{8}} \gamma_5 \rho_n(r)$$

Weak charge

neutron distribution

$$Q_W^{tree} = -N + Z(1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_w) \approx -N$$

PV signal

$$E_{PV} = k_{PV} Q_W^{inferred}$$

measured

atomic-structure calculations

# Weak charge of $^{133}\text{Cs}$ (as of 1999)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Atomic Experiment} \quad E_{\text{PV}} \\ \text{Atomic Structure Theory} \quad E_{\text{PV}} / Q_W \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow Q_W^{\text{inferred}} = -72.06(28)_{\text{expt}} (34)_{\text{theor}}$$

Standard Model  $Q_W^{\text{SM}} = -73.09(3)$

$Q_W^{\text{inferred}} \neq Q_W^{\text{SM}}$   
2.5 $\sigma$  deviation (??? new physics, other corrections ???)

**New physics scenarios:**  
extra Z-bosons, scalar leptoquarks, four-fermion contact interactions, etc

**Experiment:** Wood *et al.* (1997); Bennett and Wieman (1999) (Boulder group)  
**Theory:** Dzuba, Sushkov, Flambaum (1989); Blundell, Johnson, and Sapirstein (1990).  
**SM calculations:** Marciano and Rosner PRL (1990); Groom *et al* Eur. Phys. J (2000)

# Deviation from the Standard Model in PV with $^{133}\text{Cs}$ (May 2006)

$$\sigma = 0.53\% \quad (\sigma_{\text{expt}} = 0.35\%, \sigma_{\text{theor}} = 0.4\%)$$

1999	Based on decade-old calculations by Dzuba <i>et al.</i> and Blundell <i>et al.</i>	$2.5\sigma$	Bennett & Wieman 1999
	Breit interaction	$-1.2\sigma$	Derevianko (2000) , Dzuba <i>et al</i> (2001), Kozlov <i>et al</i> (2001); Shabaev <i>et al.</i> (2005)
	Vacuum polarization (+ $0.8 \sigma$ ) Vertex/self-energy ( $-1.3 \sigma$ )	$-0.5\sigma$	Johnson <i>et al.</i> (2002);Milstein & Sushkov (2002);Kuchiev & Flambaum (2002);Sapirstein <i>et al.</i> (2003);Shabaev <i>et al.</i> (2005)
	Neutron skin	$-0.4\sigma$	Derevianko (2002)
	Updated correlated value and vec. trans. polarizability $\beta$	$+0.7\sigma$	Dzuba, Flambaum & Ginges (2002)
	PV e-e, renormalization $q \rightarrow 0$ , virtual exc. of the giant nuc. res.	$-0.08 \sigma$	Sushkov & Flambaum (1978) Milstein,Sushkov&Terekhov (2002)
<b>Total deviation</b>		<b><math>1.0\sigma</math></b>	

# High-precision atomic calculations

- Weak interaction occurs in the nucleus  $v/c \sim \alpha Z \approx 0.4$  for Cs

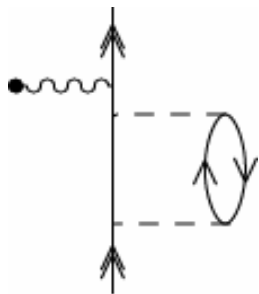
Dirac equation as a starting point

- sub-1% accuracy is a must

Hartree-Fock calculations are off by 50% for hyperfine-structure constant of Cs ground state

Many-body perturbation theory in residual e-e interaction (correlations)

Most accurate MBPT calculations with reevaluated error bars



$$E_{\text{PNC}} = \begin{cases} 0.908(5) \\ 0.909(4) \end{cases}$$

Dzuba, Sushkov, Flambaum (1989)

Blundell, Johnson, and Sapirstein (1990)

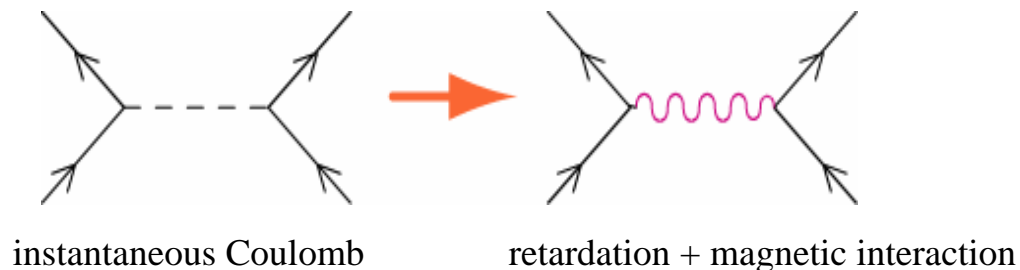
units  $i|e|a_B \left( \frac{Q_W}{-N} \right) \times 10^{-11}$

Uncertainty is estimated by comparing with high-accuracy expt. atomic data

# Smaller corrections (editorial remarks)

- ❖ Correlations (contributions in the e-e Coulomb interactions) 20%
  - ❑ Difficult many-body problem
- ❖ Smaller (< 1%) corrections
  - ❑ Easier, yet non-trivial set of problems
    - ❑ Breit
    - ❑ radiative
    - ❑ neutron skin
  - ❑ Substantial progress over the last 5 years

# Breit interaction



- ❖ Breit is small – but apparent solution, lowest-order PT in  $B$  is not adequate!
- ❖ HF equations are solved self-consistently –  
Breit modifies HF orbitals, i.e. many-body basis  
this effect propagates through the entire MBPT calculations

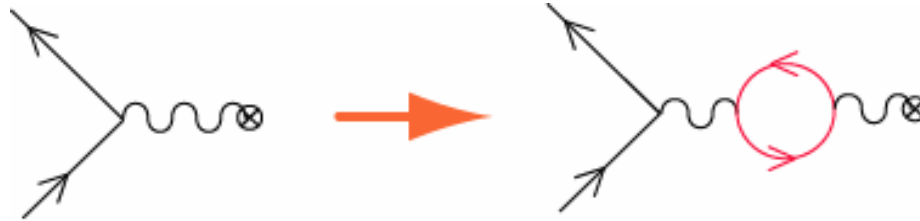
## Breit corrections to PNC amplitude

Blundell <i>et al</i> (1990); HF	0.002
Derevianko (2000)	0.0054
Dzuba <i>et al</i> (2001)	0.0053



-0.6% correction, accounts for the dominant part of the deviation with the SM

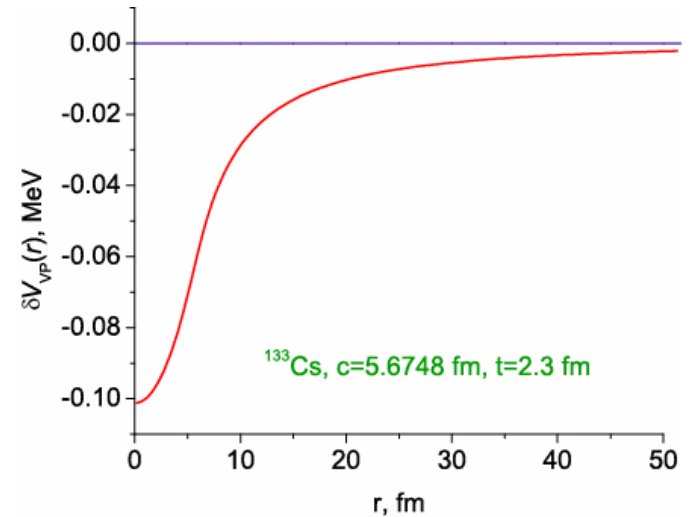
# Vacuum polarization



Uehling potential

$$\delta V_{VP}(r) = -\frac{2}{3\pi} \frac{\alpha Z}{r} \int_1^\infty dt \sqrt{t^2 - 1} \left( \frac{1}{t^2} + \frac{1}{2t^4} \right) \exp[-2ctr]$$

$$-\frac{Z}{r} \Rightarrow -\frac{Z}{r} + \delta V_{VP}(r)$$



- VP modifies  $E_{PV}$  by 0.4%
- partially cancels  $-0.6\%$  Breit correction
- increases the deviation of APV  $Q_W$  from the SM

Johnson, Bednyakov and Soff, PRL (2001)

# Radiative Binding corrections

Radiative corrections to APV in Standard Model:

Marciano and Sirlin, Phys. Rev. D (1983)

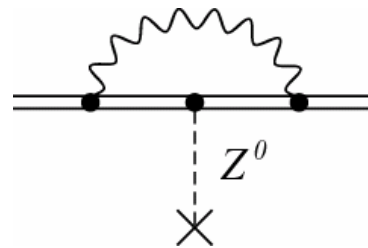
Lynn and Sandars, J.Phys. B (1994)

Free-particle propagators were used

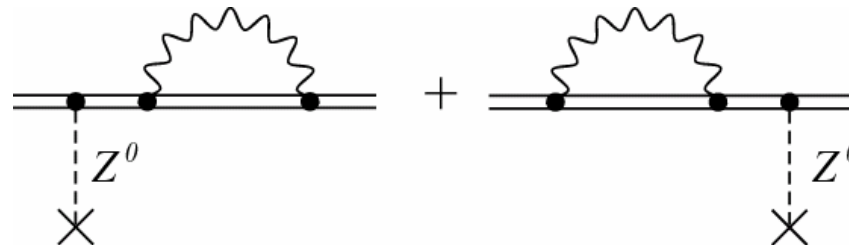
Interactions with the field of the nucleus  
Binding corrections ( $\alpha Z$ )



1. Vertex correction



2. Self-energy correction



# Radiative binding corrections

PNC matrix element

$$\frac{\delta Q_W}{Q_W} \cong \frac{\delta \langle s_{1/2} | h_W | p_{1/2} \rangle}{\langle s_{1/2} | h_W | p_{1/2} \rangle} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi} \left[ -\frac{1}{2} - \pi \left( 2 \ln 2 + \frac{7}{12} \right) (\alpha Z) + \dots \right]$$

Z=55,  $\alpha Z=0.4$

Schwinger term

-0.12%

Binding correction

-0.57%

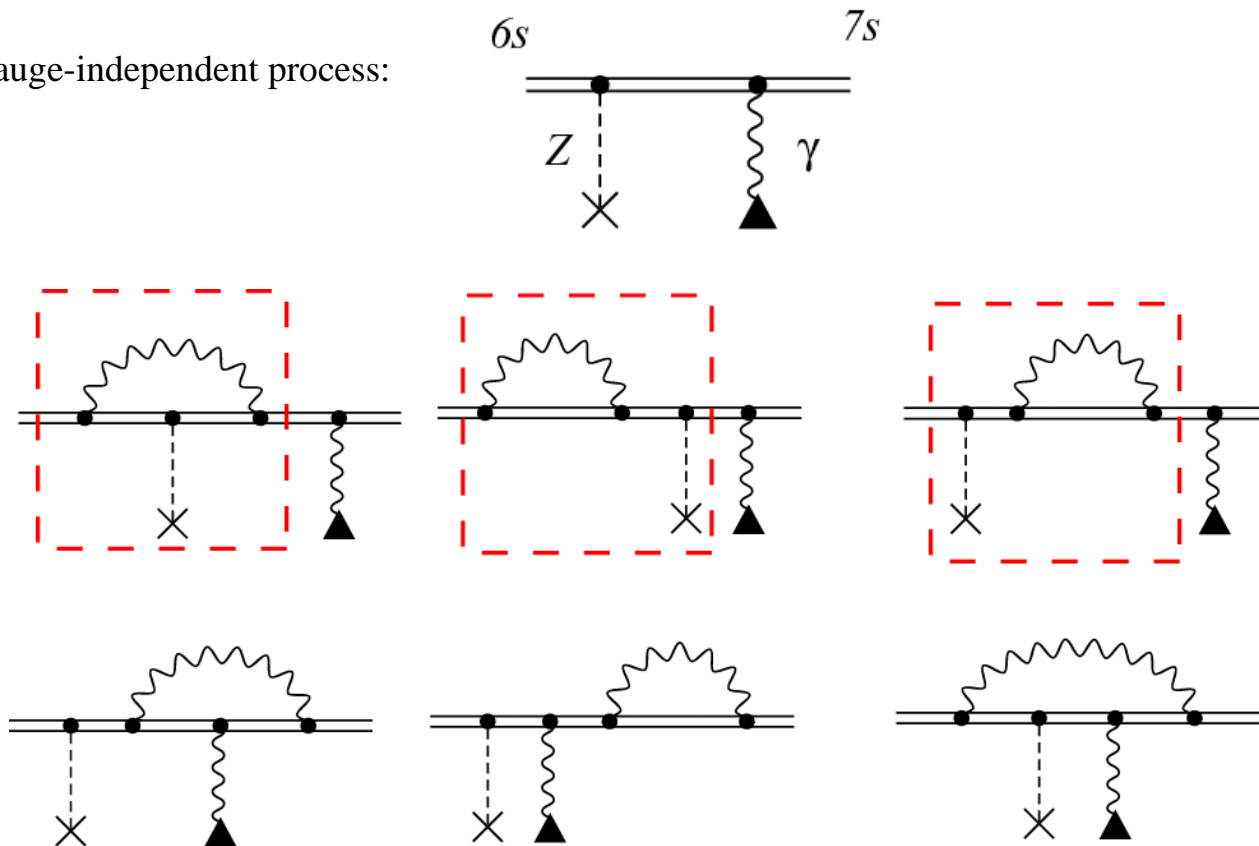
Leading in $\alpha Z$	- 0.69%	Milstein, Sushkov & Terekhov, PRL (2002)
All-order in $\alpha Z$	- 0.93%	J. Sapirstein <i>et al.</i> , hep-ph/0302202
From finite nuclear size and "Chiral identity"	-1.0(1)%	Kuchiev & Flambaum, PRL (2002)

# Rigorous treatment of rad. corrections (Sapirstein *et al.* formulation)

## Problems:

- ❖ Gauge dependence
- ❖ Hydrogen-like wavefunctions
- ❖ No radiative corrections to energies and dipole matrix elements

Actual gauge-independent process:



# Radiative corrections (rigorous approach)

*Shabaev, Tupitsyn, Pachuki, Plunien & Yerokhin PRL (2005)*

- ❖ Full set of gauge independent diagrams
- ❖ Correlated (model-potential) wavefuncions

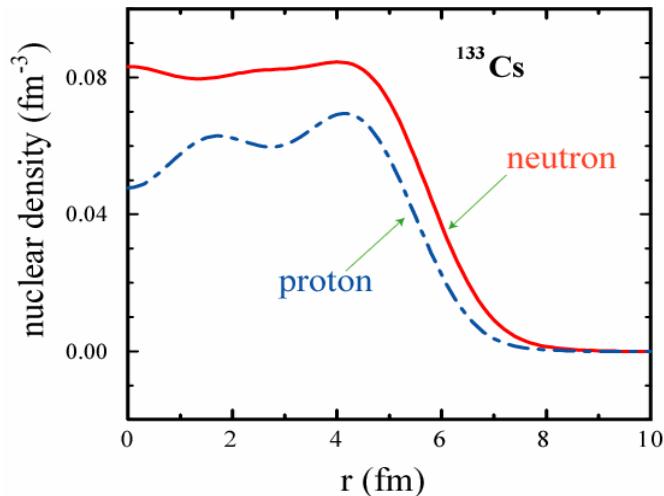
TABLE II. The SE corrections to the  $6s$ - $7s$  PNC amplitude in  $^{133}\text{Cs}$ , in percent. The results are presented in both the length ( $L$ ) and the velocity ( $V$ ) gauge.

Contr.	$L$ gauge	$V$ gauge	Contribution	$L$ gauge	$V$ gauge
$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{a}}$	-0.09	-0.11	$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{h}}$	-4.04	-3.40
$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{b}}$	1.31	1.11	$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{i}}$	-4.61	-3.97
$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{c}}$	0.34	0.40	$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{j}}$	1.49	1.73
$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{d}}$	-0.38	-0.32	$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{k}}$	-0.79	-1.03
$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{e}}$	-1.29	-1.53	$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{l}}$	2.05	1.41
$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{f}}$	3.89	3.25	$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{add}}$	0.00	0.10
$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{g}}$	1.33	1.57	$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{tot}}$	-0.79	-0.79
			$\delta E_{\text{PNC}}^{\text{bind}}$	-0.67	-0.67

# Neutron skin/halo correction

$$H_W \approx \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{8}} \gamma_5 N \rho_{\text{neutron}}(r)$$

Well-known **proton** distributions are used instead => corrections needed

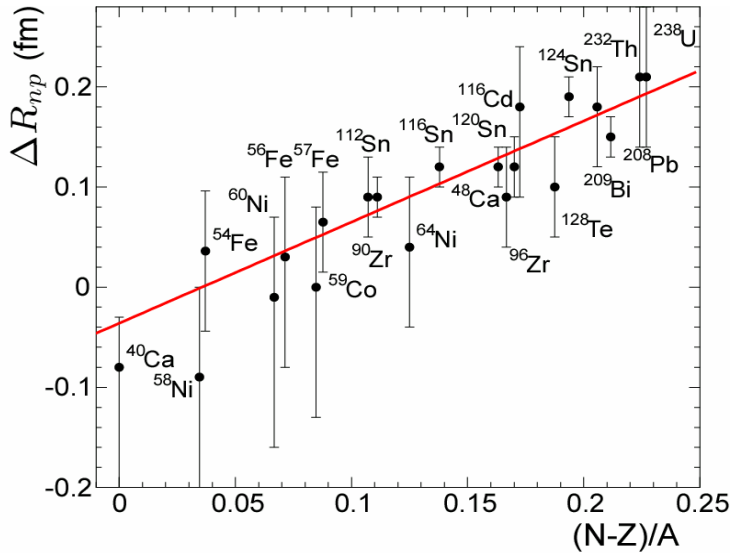


From Vretenar, Lalazissis and Ring PRC, **62** 045502 (2000)

Nuclear-structure calculations differ by a **factor of four** for  $\Delta R_{np} = R_n - R_p$

Corrections to  $Q_W$ :  $0.2 \sigma - 0.8 \sigma$

# Neutron skin/halo correction



Experiments with anti-protonic atoms

$$\Delta R_{np} = (-0.04 \pm 0.03) + (1.01 \pm 0.15) \frac{N-Z}{A} \text{ fm}$$

From Trzcinska *et al.*, PRL **87** 082501 (2001)

For  $^{133}\text{Cs}$      $\Delta R_{np} \approx 0.13(4)\text{fm}$

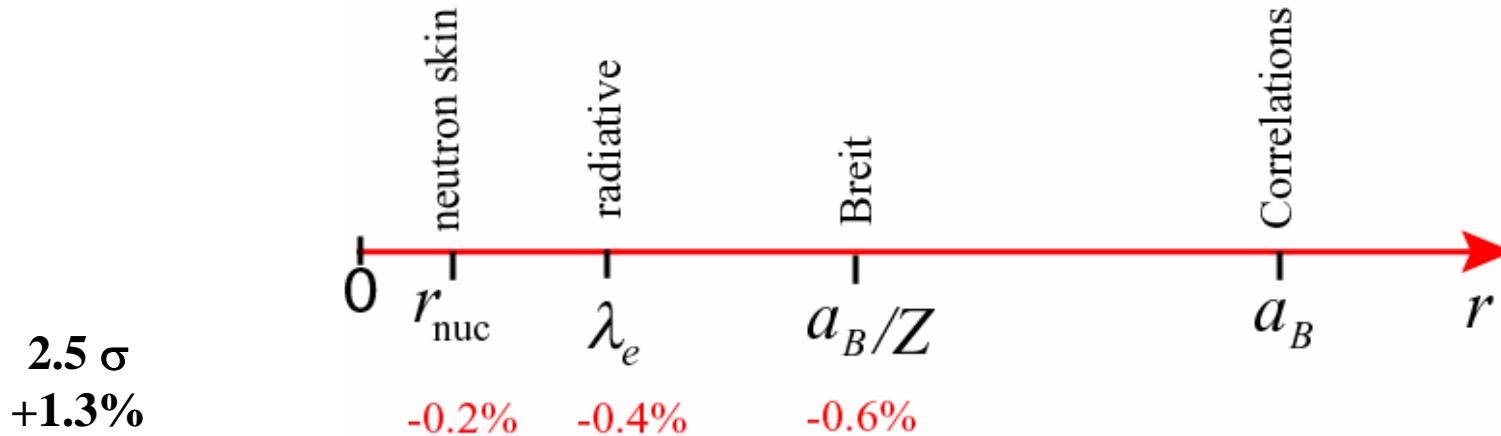
Fortson, Pang, and Willets, PRL **65** 2875 (1990)

$$\frac{\delta E_{PV}^{n.s.}}{E_{PV}} \approx -\frac{3}{7} (\alpha Z)^2 \frac{\Delta R_{np}}{R_p} \approx -0.0019(6), \quad \text{i.e. } -0.2\% \quad (-0.4\sigma)$$

← Error bar of 30%

AD *Phys. Rev. A* **65**, 012106 (2002)

# Summary Cs APV



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Atomic Experiment} \\ \text{Atomic Structure Theory} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} E_{\text{PV}} \\ E_{\text{PV}} / Q_W \end{array} \Rightarrow Q_W^{\text{inferred}} = -72.65(28)_{\text{expt}} (36)_{\text{theor}}$$

$$\text{Standard Model} \quad Q_W = -73.09(3)$$

- ❖ Theory of “smaller corrections” is settled
- ❖ Agreement with the Standard Model @ 1  $\sigma$  level
- ❖ ? Next level of accuracy

$$\sigma_Q = \sqrt{(\sigma_{\text{expt}})^2 + (\sigma_{\text{theor}})^2}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{expt}} = 0.35\% < \sigma_{\text{theor}} = 0.5\%$$

## How to reduce $\sigma$ ?

Theoretical uncertainty is limited by  
an accuracy of solving  
the basic correlation atomic-structure problem

Tl atom (Fortson, Seattle): measurement	1%
theory	2.7%

# Coupled-cluster method

$$|\Psi_v\rangle = \underbrace{\text{circle with } v + \sum_m \rho_{mv} \text{circle with } m \text{ and } v + \sum_{ma} \rho_{ma} \text{circle with } m \text{ and } a}_{\text{singles}} + \underbrace{\sum_{mna} \rho_{mnva} \text{circle with } m, n, v, a + \sum_{mnab} \rho_{mnab} \text{circle with } m, n, a, b}_{\text{doubles}}$$

+ triples + quadruples + .... + 55-fold excitations for Cs

$$H_{\text{atomic}} |\Psi_v\rangle = E_v |\Psi_v\rangle \Rightarrow \{\rho_{mv}, \rho_{ma}, \rho_{mnva}, \rho_{mnab}, \dots\}$$

## **Singles-Doubles method:**

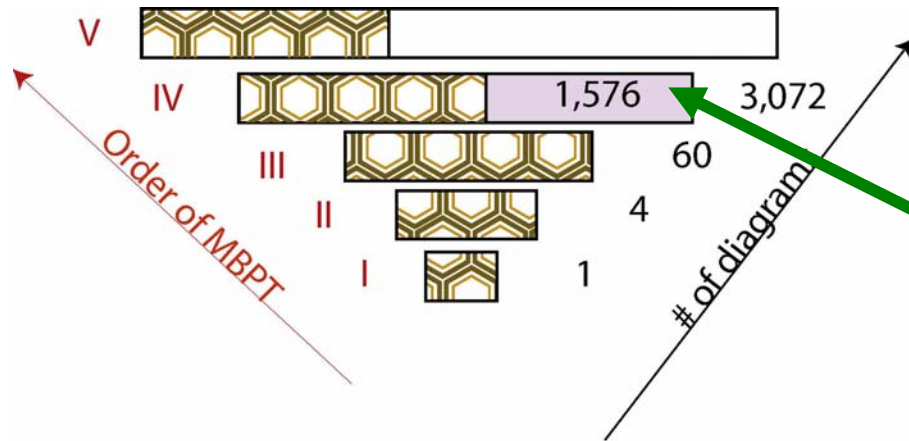
Parity violating amplitude in Cs is  $\sim 1\%$  (Blundell, Johnson, Sapirstein 1990)

Large scale calculations.


Triple and higher-rank excitations are missing from the exact wavefunction. =>

**Next systematic step – include triples.**

# Complementary IVth order diagrams



Triples & disconnected quads

 included in SD method
  computed in this work

- ❖ Automated (*Mathematica*) derivation, simplification, and *Fortran90* coding.
- ❖ Even the LaTeX formulae for our papers were generated automatically

*Derevianko & Emmons, Phys. Rev. A* **66**, 012503 (2002)  
*Cannon & Derevianko, Phys. Rev. A* **69**, 030502(R) (2004)

# Cs calculations

Absolute percentage deviation from high-precision data  
for various *ab initio* approximations

	$\langle 6p_{1/2}   D   6s_{1/2} \rangle$	$A(6s_{1/2})$	$A(6p_{1/2})$
Singles-Doubles <sup>a</sup>	0.4%	5%	7%
SD + pert Sv[Tv] <sup>a</sup>	1.2%	0.9%	0.8%
SD+Triples[IV] <sup>b</sup>	0.6%	0.8%	0.1%
CCSDvT (May 2006) <sup>c</sup>	0.1-0.2%	0.1%	0.7%

a) Blundell, Johnson, Sapirstein (1991); Safronova, Johnson, Derevianko (1999)

b) Derevianko & Porsev *Phys. Rev. A* (2005)

c) Porsev & Derevianko (unpublished, May 2006)

radiative corrections  
needed

# APV in chains of isotopes

# Atomic structure out Nuclear structure in

$$E_{PV} = k_{PV} Q_W^{\text{inferred}}$$

Ratio of PV amplitudes for two isotopes  $N$  and  $N'=N+\Delta N$  of the same element (atomic-structure part is the same)

$$\mathbf{R} = \frac{E_{PV}}{E'_{PV}} = \frac{Q_W}{Q'_W} f_{\text{nuclear}} \left( R_p, R'_p; R_n, R'_n \right)$$

- ❖ No atomic structure uncertainties (*Dzuba, Flambaum & Khriplovich (1986)*)
- ❖ *Fortson et al., (1990)* – enhanced sensitivity to uncertainties in neutron radii  $R_n$
- ❖ **Present uncertainties in nuclear structure calculations preclude extraction of new physics.**

# Reanalysis using empirical data from anti-protonic experiments

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From Trzcinska *et al.*, PRL **87** 082501 (2001)

$$Q = Q_{SM} + \Delta Q_{new} = Q_{SM} + Zh_p^{new} + Nh_n^{new}$$

Constrains on “new direct physics” (the tighter the better)

$$\delta F = \frac{\delta h_p^{new}}{h_n^{SM}} \approx \frac{N}{\Delta N} \left( \frac{N}{Z} \right) \left[ \frac{\delta R}{R} + \frac{3}{7} (\alpha Z)^2 \frac{\delta (R_n - R'_n)}{R_p} \right]$$

uncertainties in the skin

exp error

# Single-isotope vs isotopic chains

$$\Delta Q_{new} = Zh_p^{new} + Nh_n^{new}$$

Chains are sensitive to **proton** couplings  
Single isotope -- to **neutron** couplings

$$h_p^{new} = 2h_u + h_d \quad h_n^{new} = 2h_d + h_u$$

Ramsey-Musolf (1999)

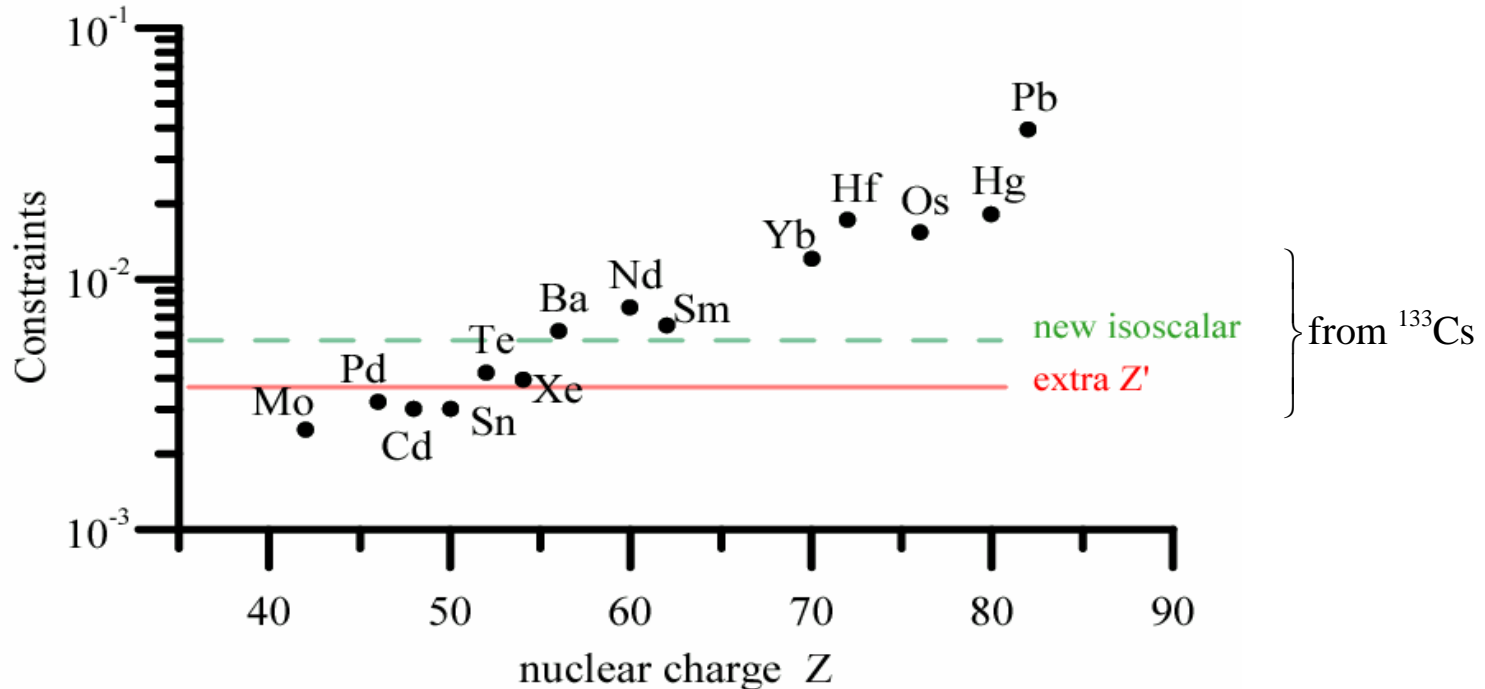
$$h_u = \lambda h_d$$

Comparison is model-dependent

$\lambda=1$  pure isoscalar coupling

$\lambda=0$  extra neutral-gauge Z boson ( $E_6$  models)

# APV in chains of isotopes



- ❑ Atoms with  $Z < 50$  may be of immediate interest at present
- ❑ Since  $E_{\text{PNC}} \propto Z^3$ , “accidental” degeneracy scenario is required

# Summary APV

- ⇒ Single-isotope measurements
  - ⇒ Theory of “smaller corrections” is settled
  - ⇒ Agreement with the Standard Model @ 1 sigma
  - ⇒ Challenges for the next accuracy level:
    - ⇒ Correlations
    - ⇒ Improved measurements (Cs, Ba<sup>+</sup>, Fr)
- ⇒ Isotopic-chains:
  - ⇒ Uncertainties in the neutron skin need to be reduced
  - ⇒  $Z < 50$  could provide “new physics” bounds competitive to Cs