

Searching for the e EDM with molecules

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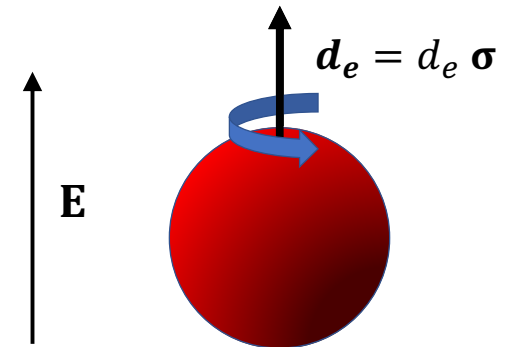


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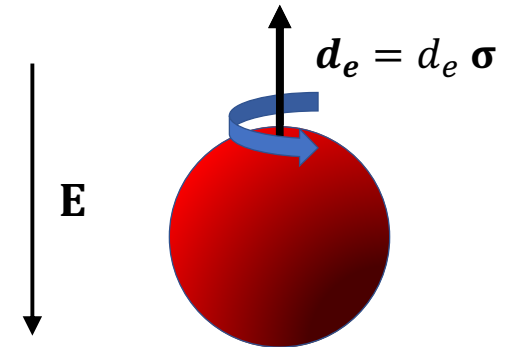
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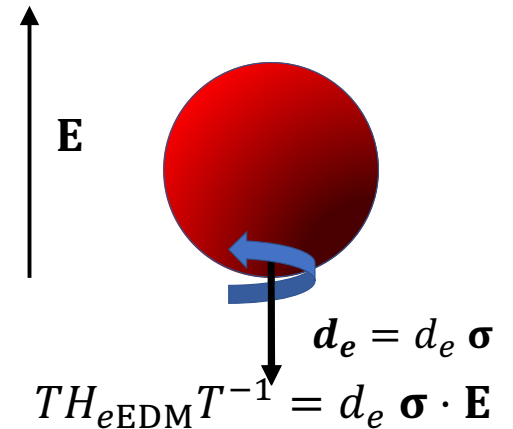
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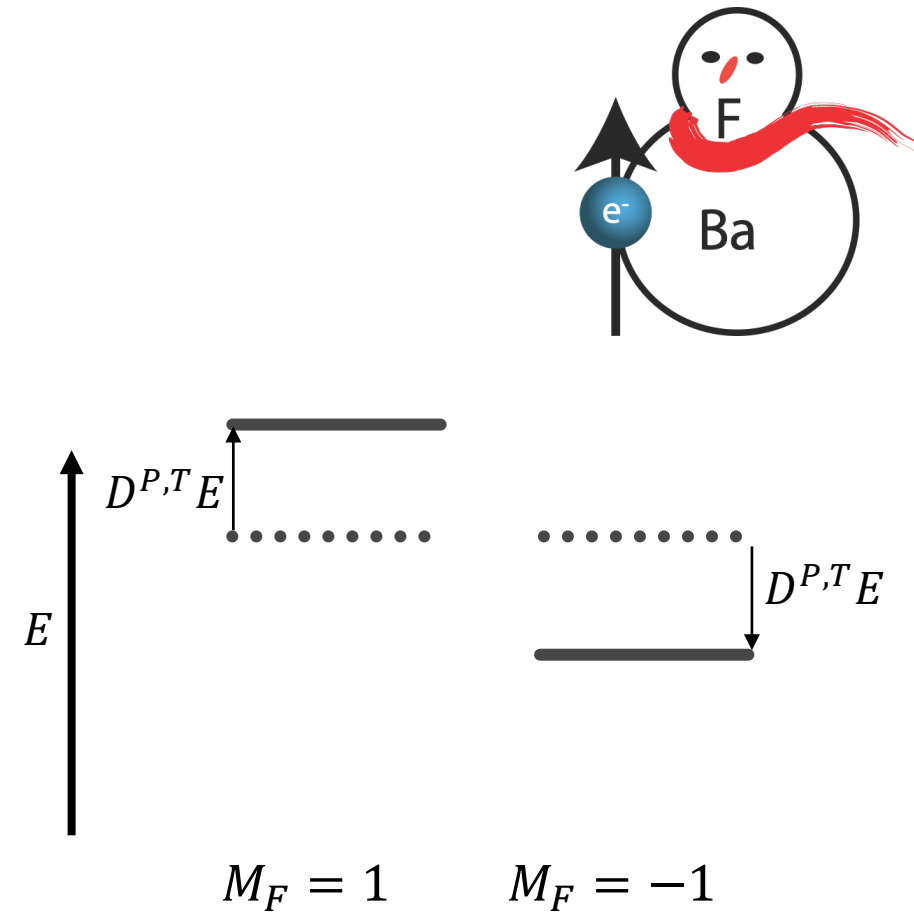


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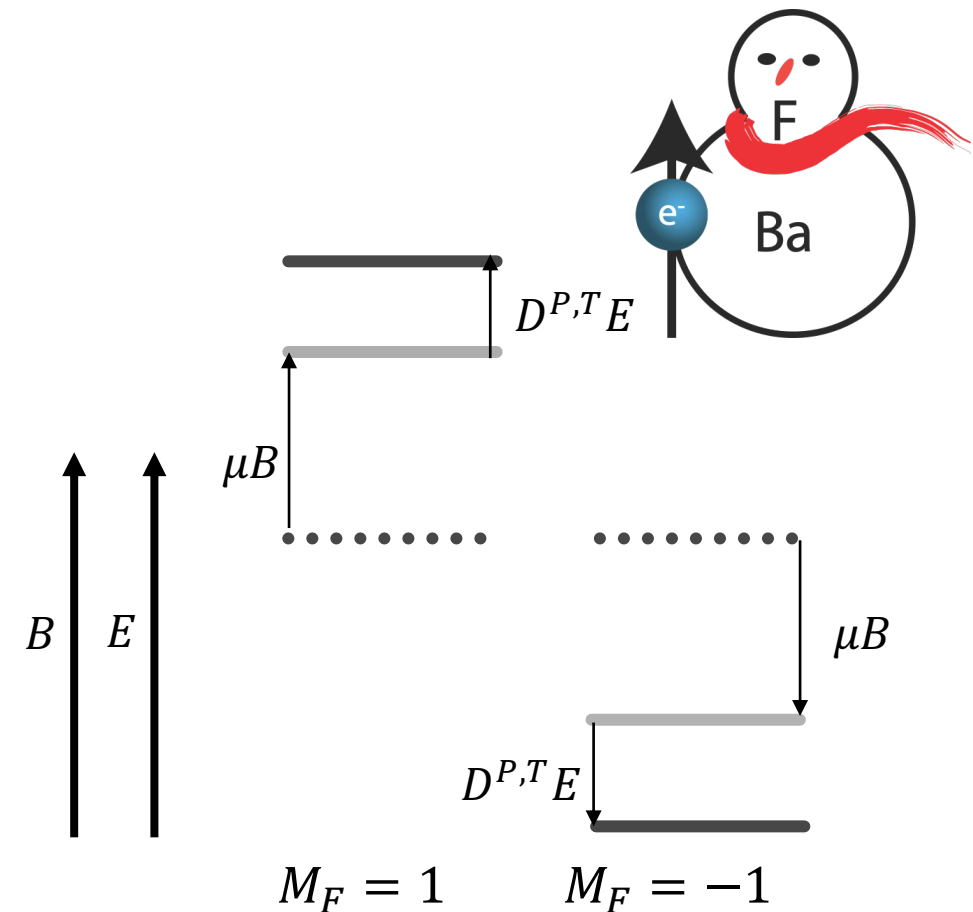
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- Zeeman effect:

$$H_{\text{Zeeman}} = -\mu \mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

- Same shift, but larger!

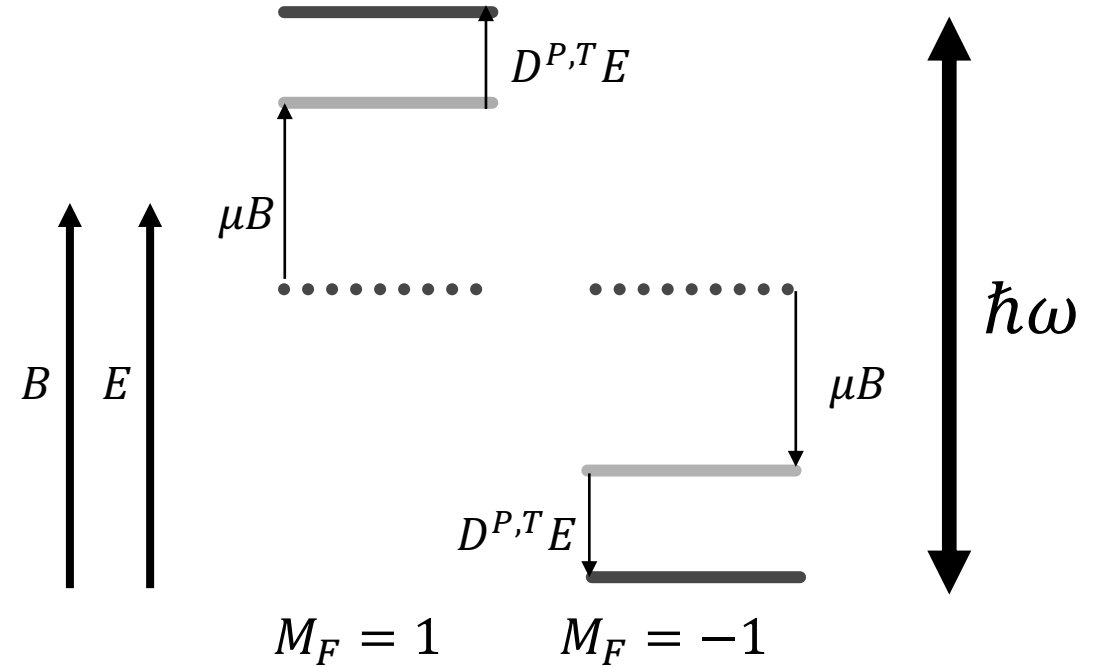
$$\frac{\Delta W_{\text{EDM}}}{\Delta W_{\text{Zeeman}}} \sim 10^{-7}$$



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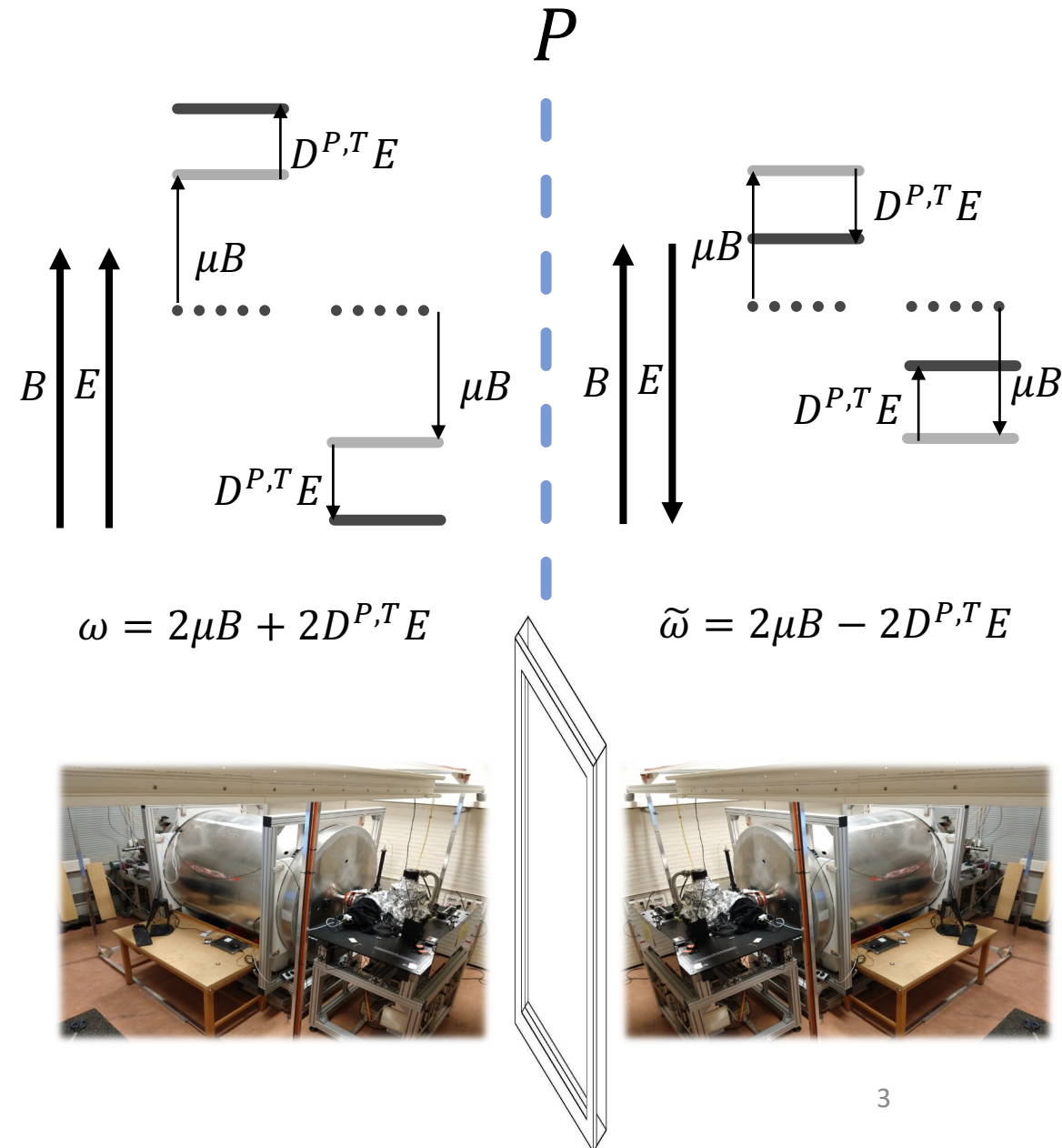
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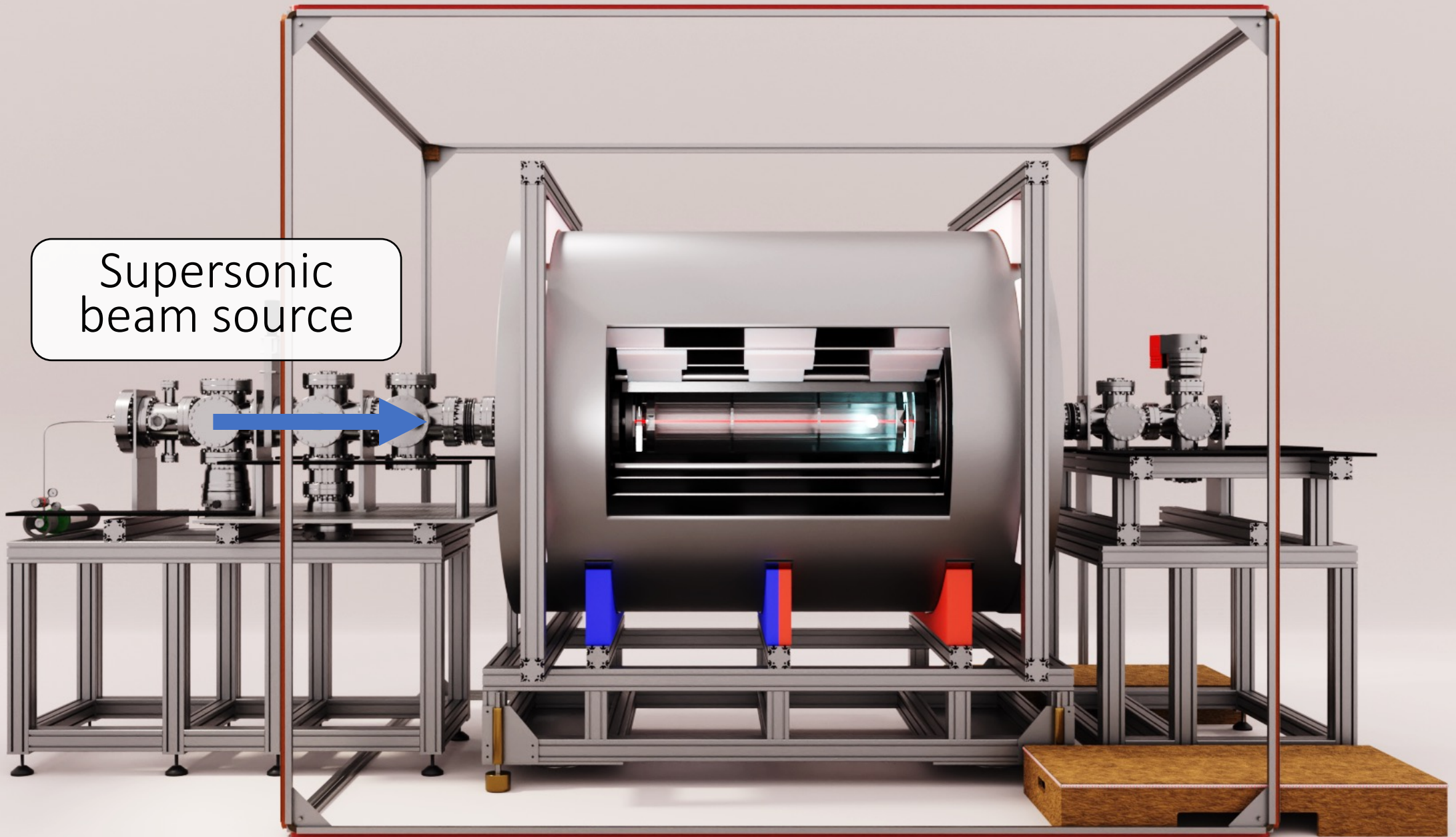
2. Do a P or T transformation with high **accuracy**

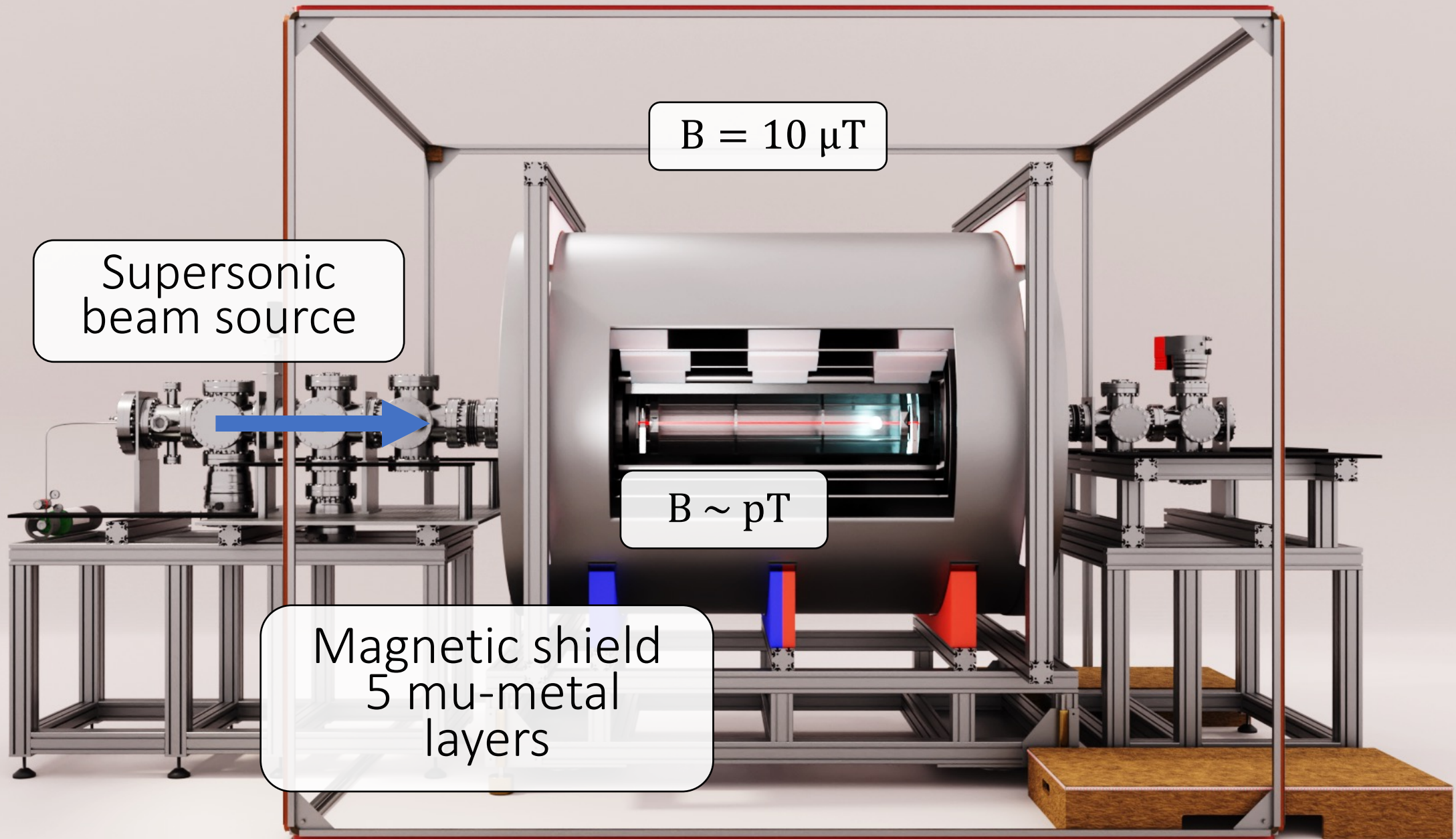
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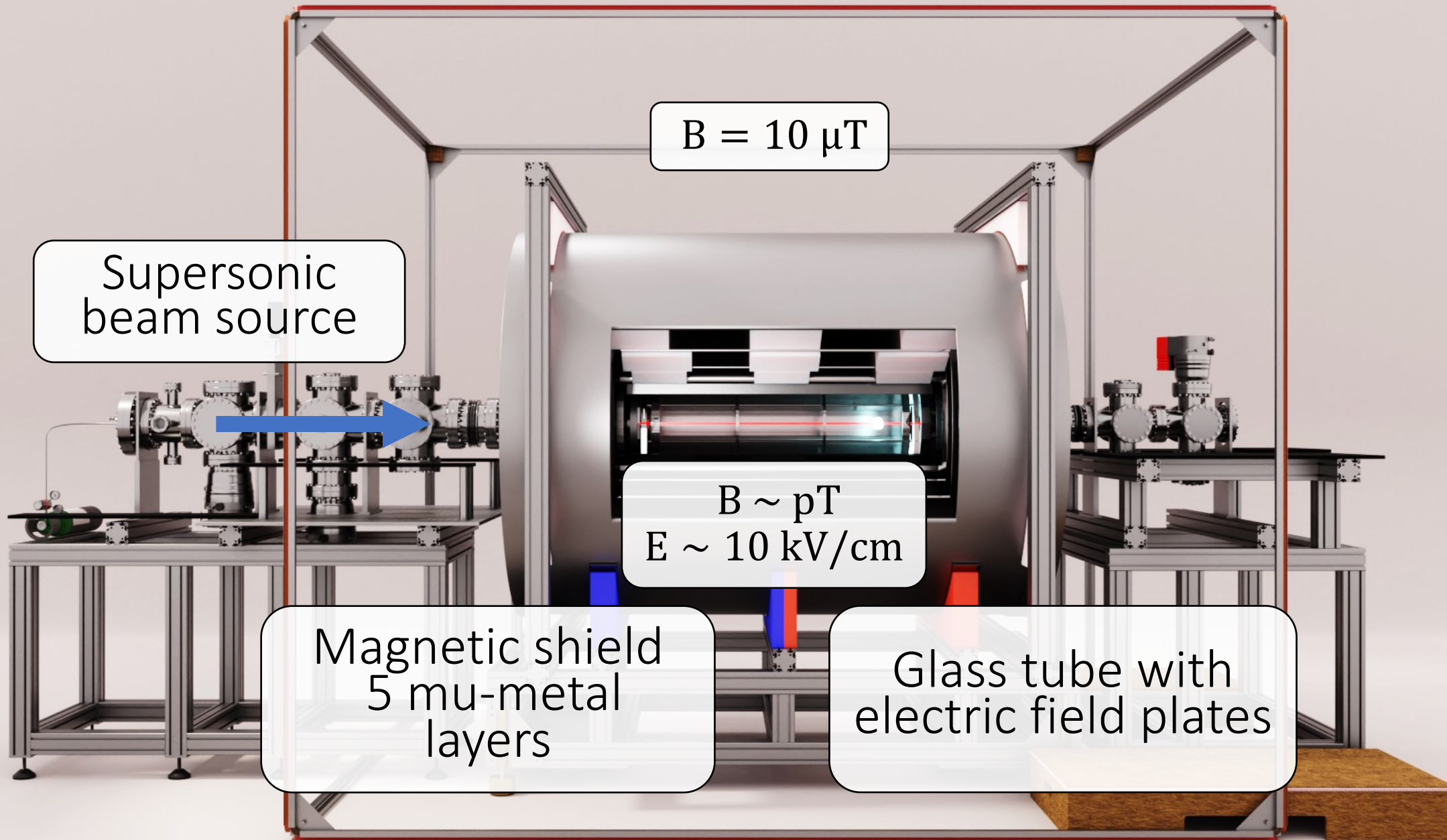


The NL-*e*EDM setup

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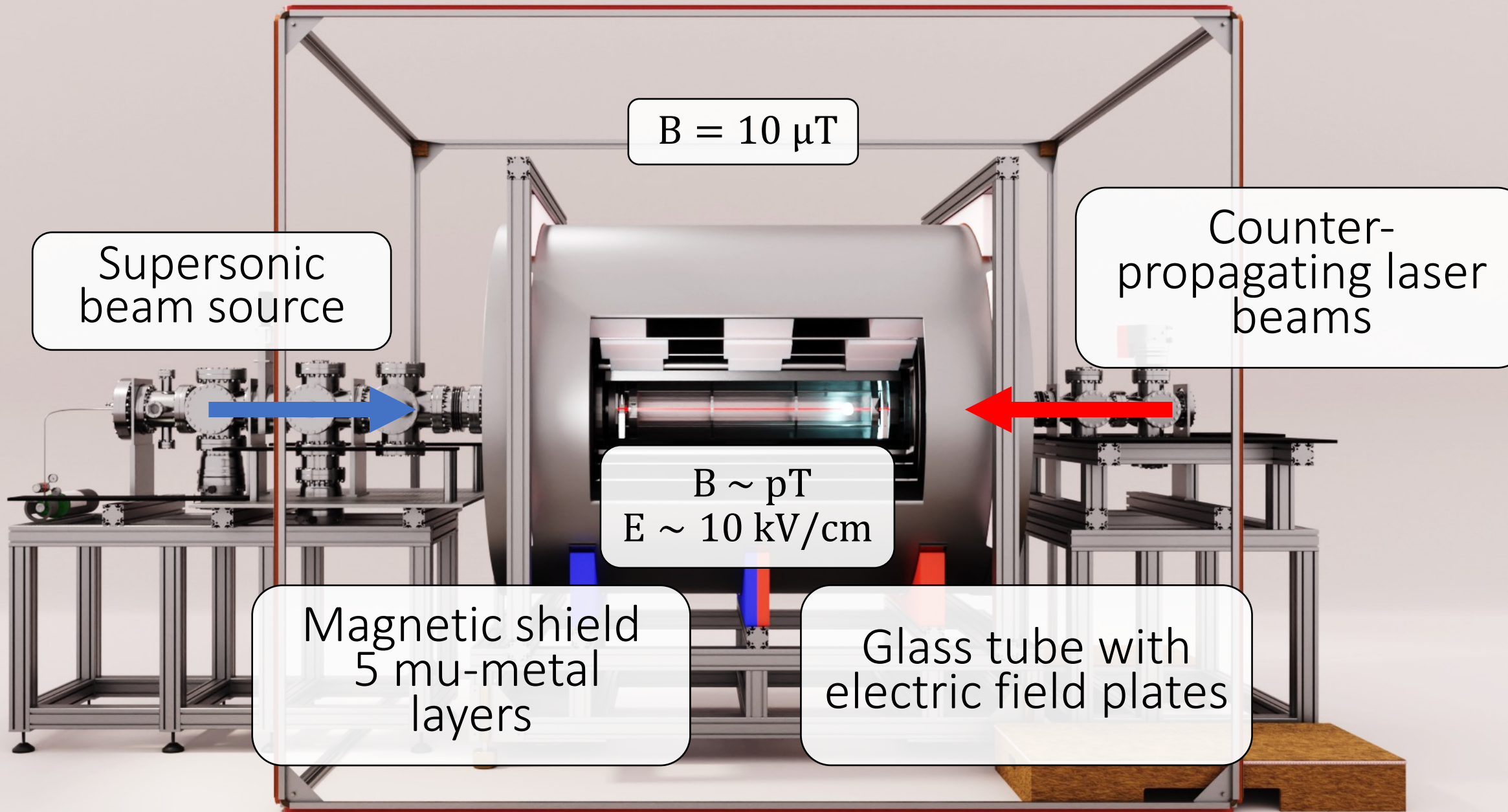
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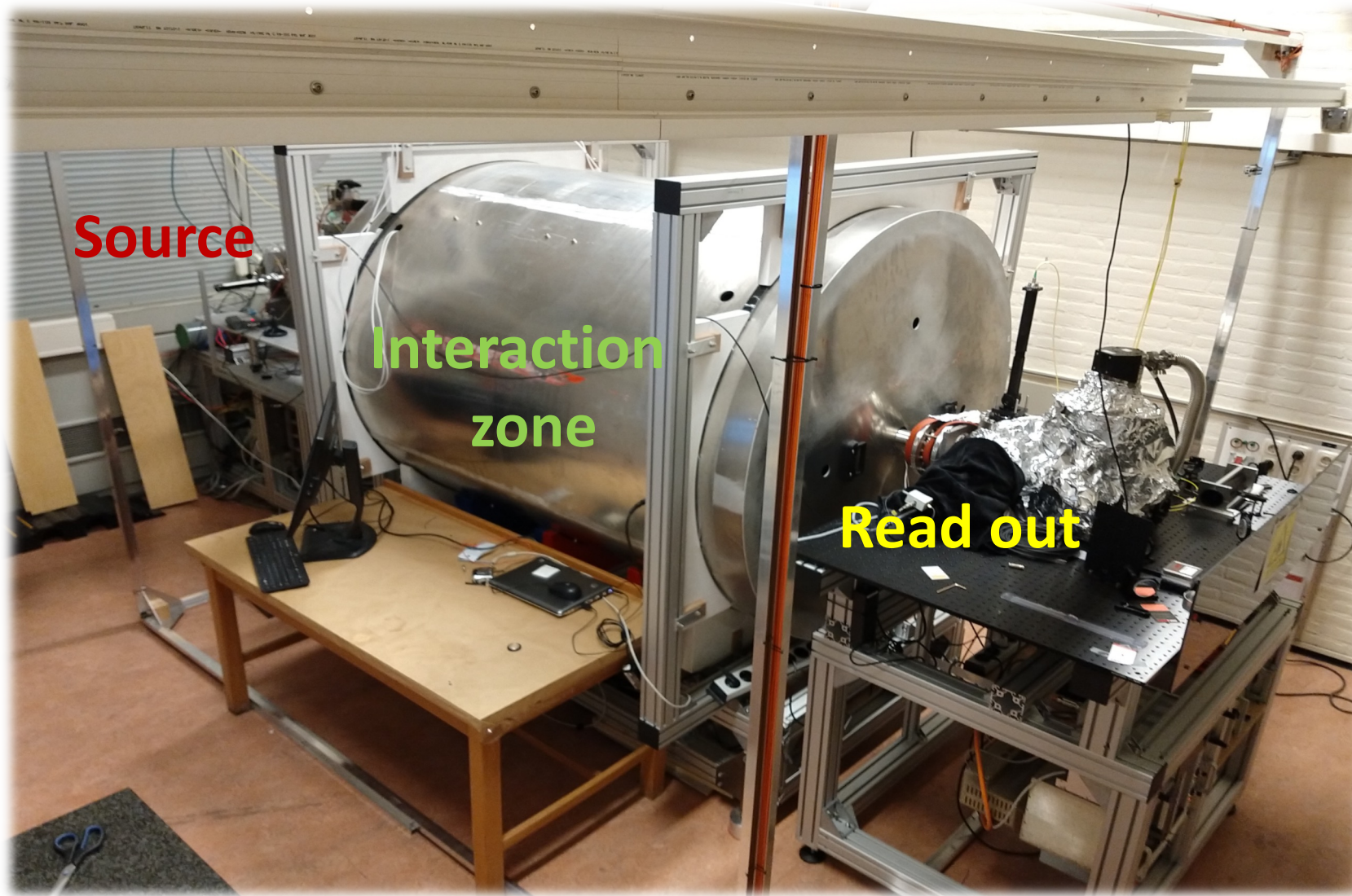
$B = 10 \mu\text{T}$

$B \sim \text{pT}$
 $E \sim 10 \text{ kV/cm}$

Magnetic shield
5 mu-metal
layers

Glass tube with
electric field plates





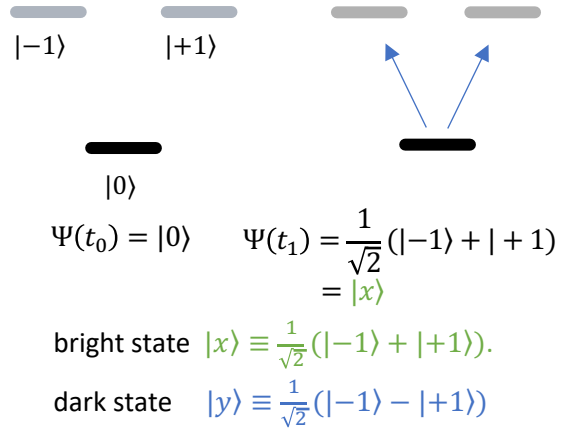
+ many lasers!

Principle of the experiment

Quantum interference measurement

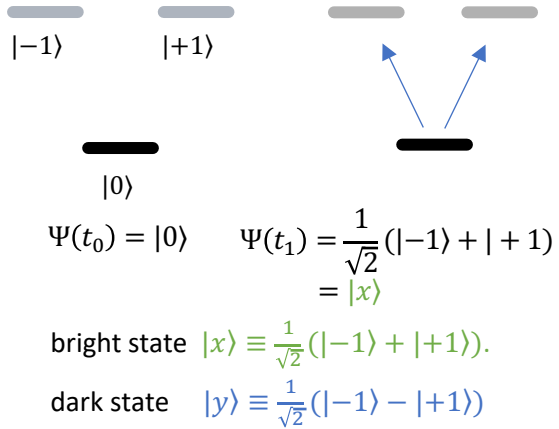
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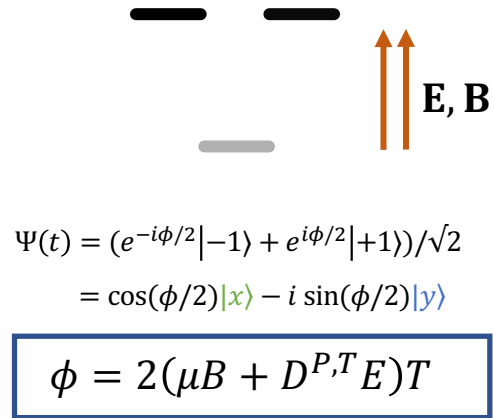


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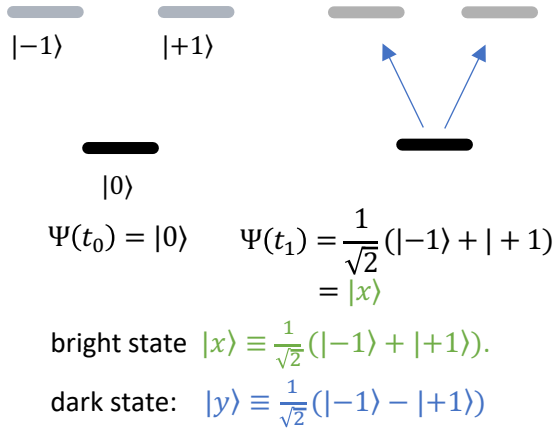


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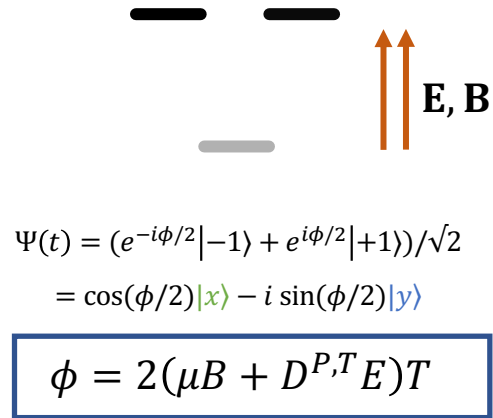


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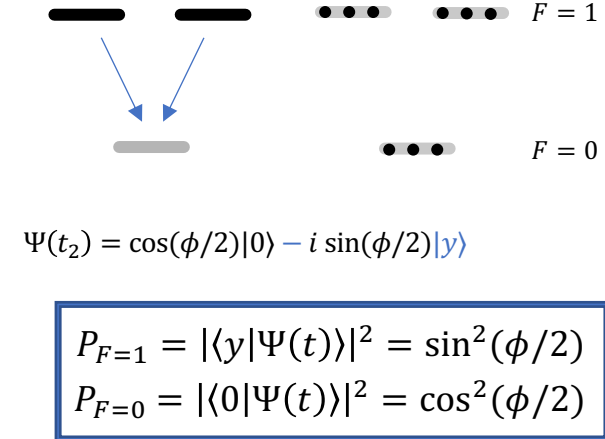
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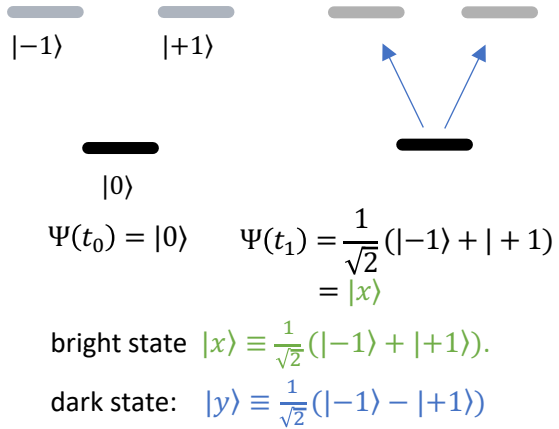


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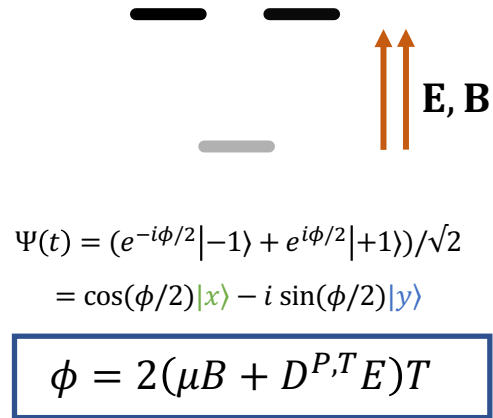


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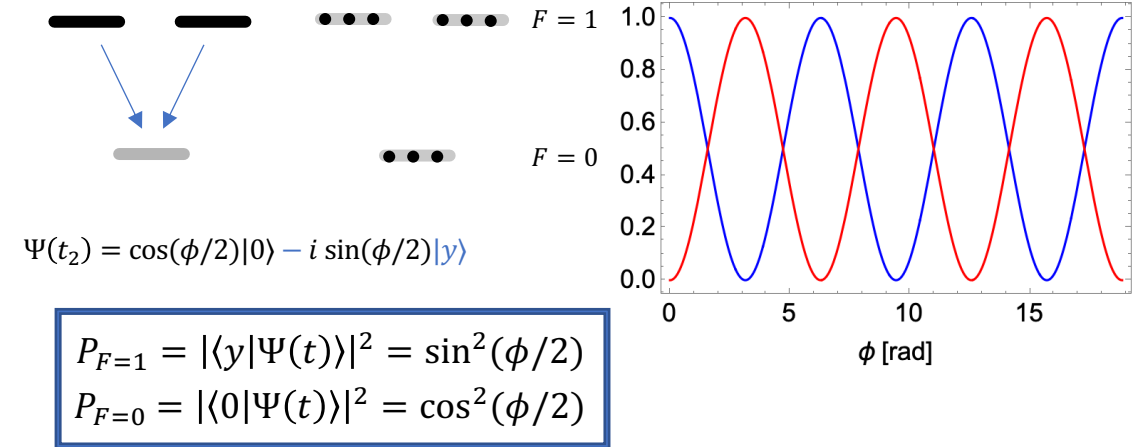
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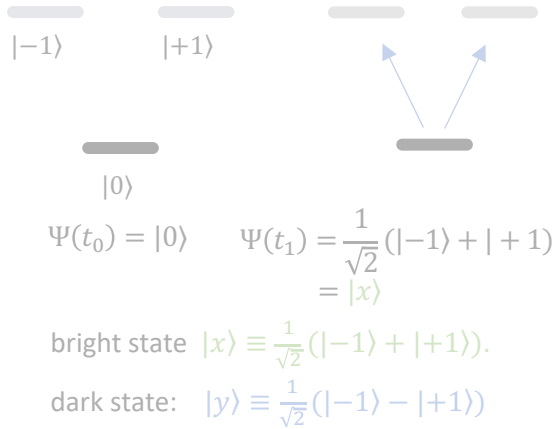


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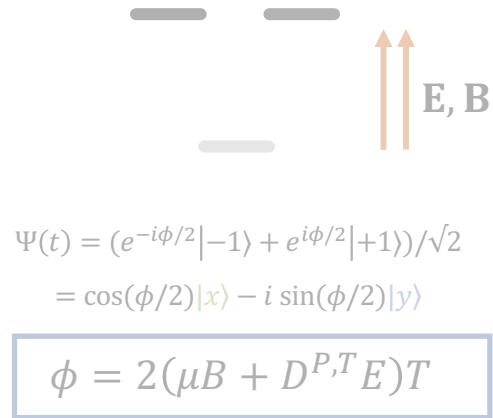


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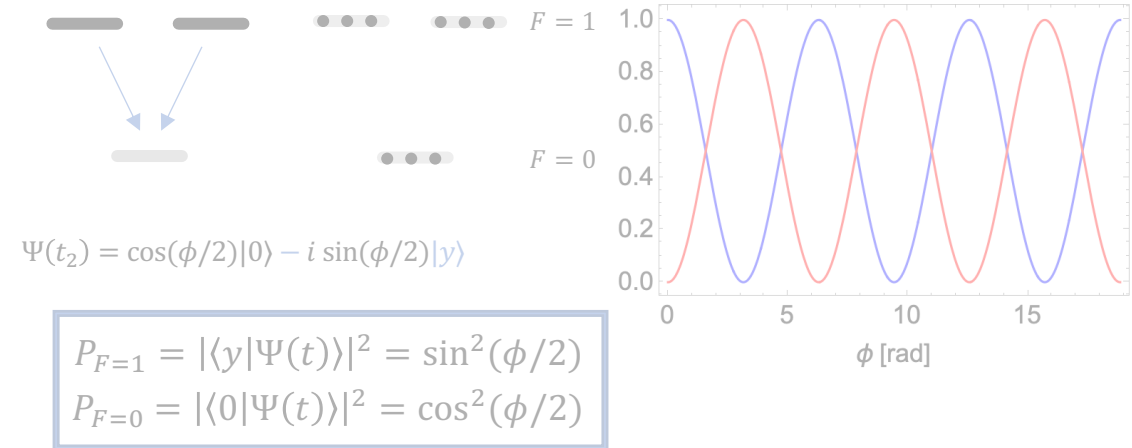
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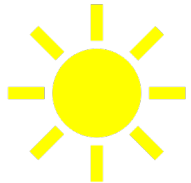
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HEP: Neutrino oscillations: same physics!



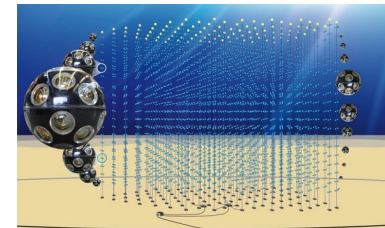
1. Neutrinos created in flavor eigenstate: superposition of energy eigenstates

$$|\nu_\alpha(0)\rangle = c_1|\nu_1\rangle + c_2|\nu_2\rangle$$



2. Neutrinos travel through space, acquire phase because of mass difference

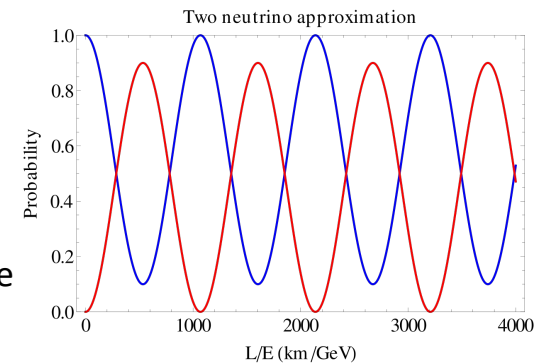
$$|\nu_\alpha(L)\rangle = e^{-i\left(\frac{m_1^2}{2E}\right)L}|\nu_1\rangle + e^{-i\left(\frac{m_2^2}{2E}\right)L}|\nu_2\rangle$$



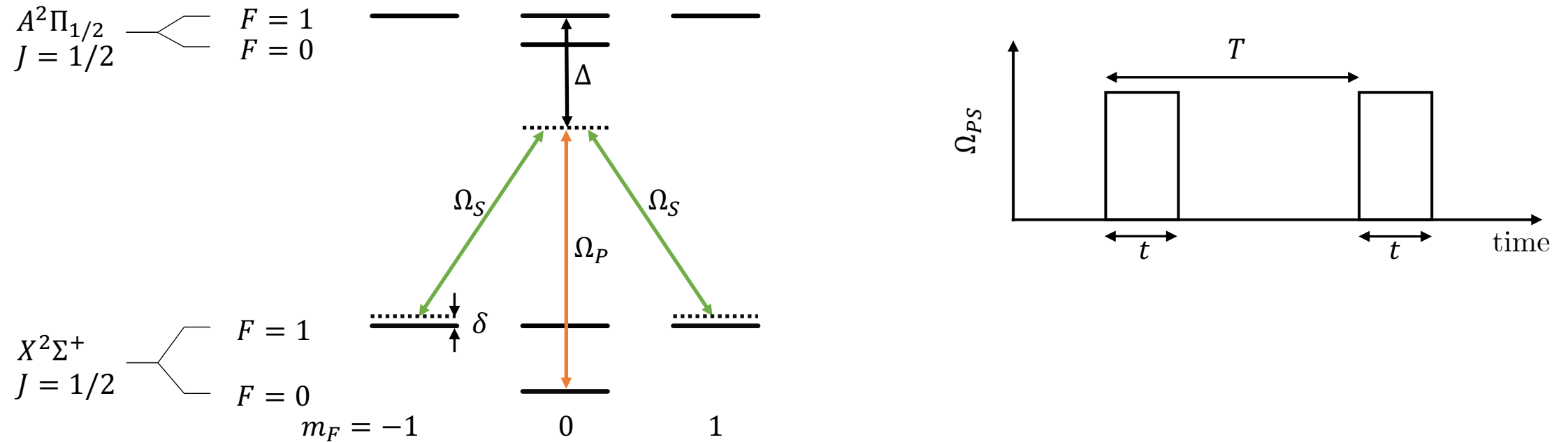
3. Neutrinos probed with flavor physics: collapse to flavor-eigenstate

$$P_\alpha = |\langle \nu_\alpha|\nu_\alpha(L)\rangle|^2 \propto \sin^2\phi$$

$$P_\beta = |\langle \nu_\beta|\nu_\alpha(L)\rangle|^2 \propto \cos^2\phi$$



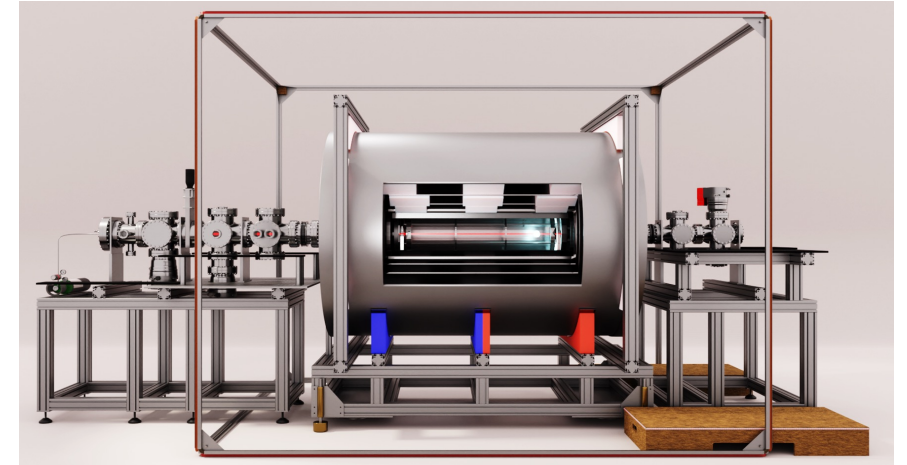
Our robust implementation



Optical implementation of superposition creation and read out

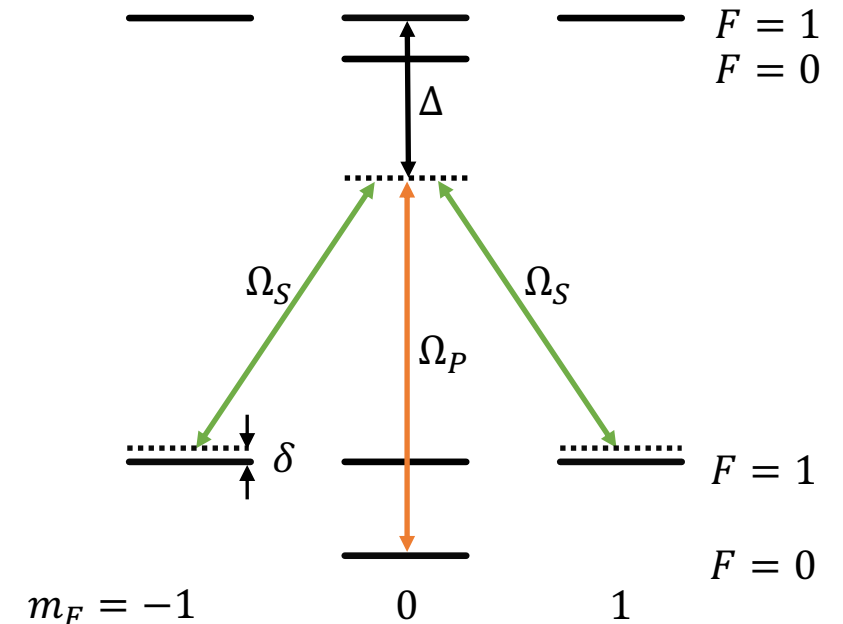
NL-eEDM experiment

- Experimental control over parameters
 - $\delta, \Delta, t, T, \Omega_{P/S}, \hat{e}_{P/S}, \Phi_{P/S}, \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B}$



- Description of signal as function of parameters¹
 - $P_{F=0,1}(\delta, \Delta, t, T, \Omega_{P/S}, \hat{e}_{P/S}, \Phi_{P/S}, \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B})$

→ Permits to make use of parameter space



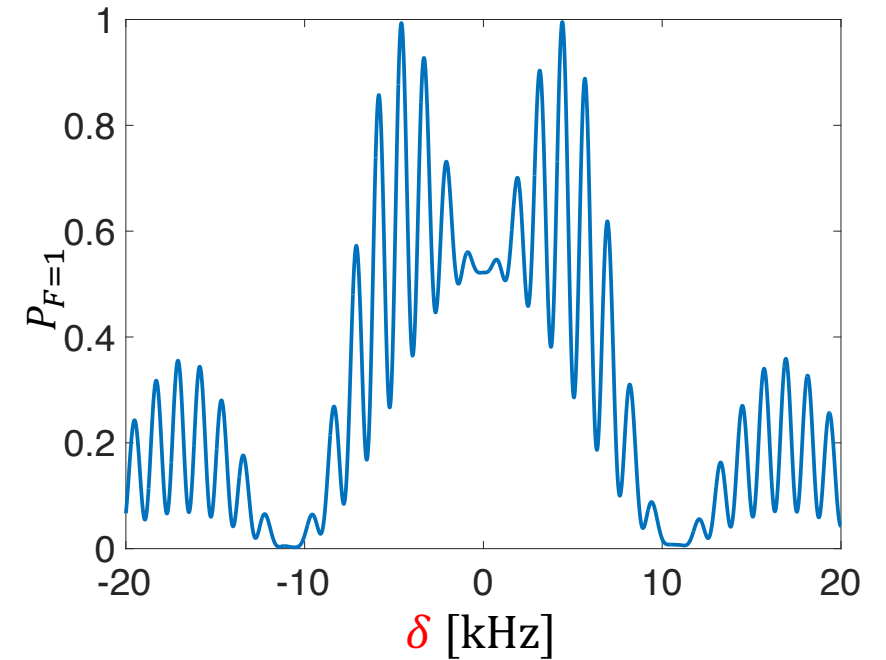
1) A.Boeschoten, PhD thesis 2023

New EDM-measurement method

NL-eEDM collaboration, *Novel spin-precession method for EDM searches*
<https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2303.06402>

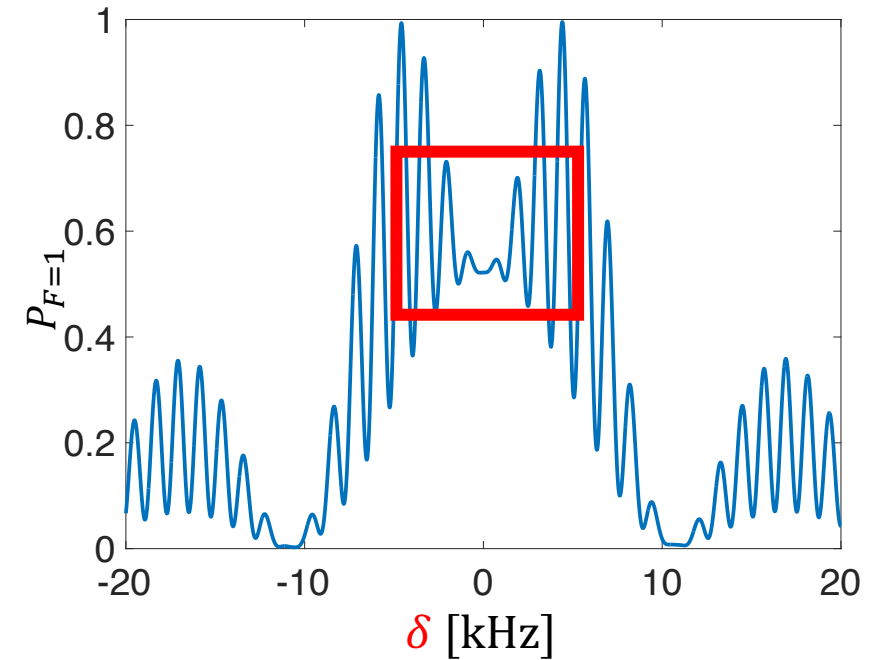
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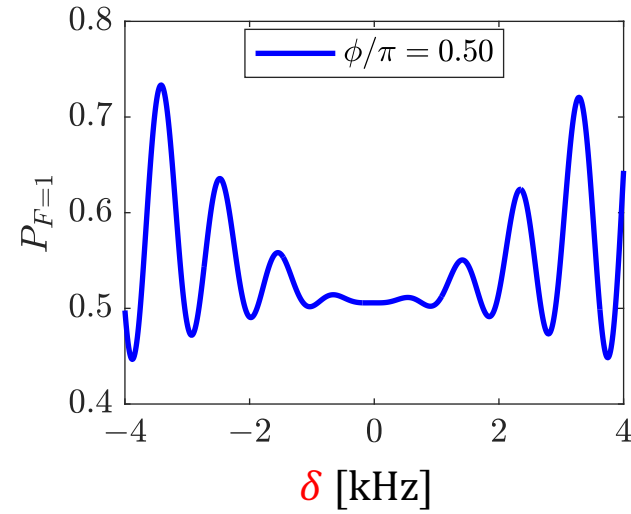
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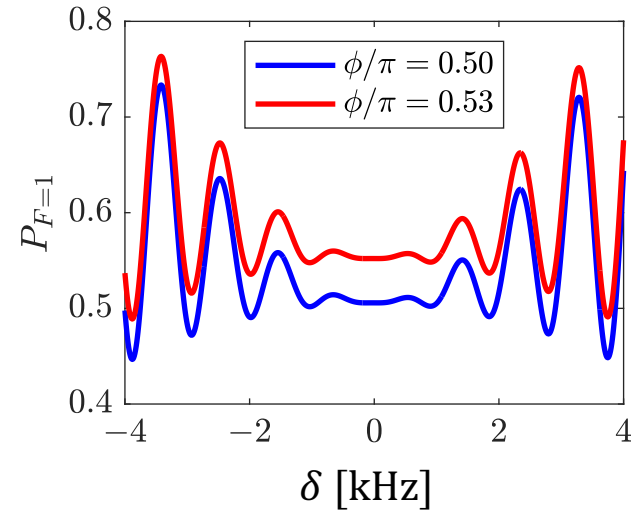
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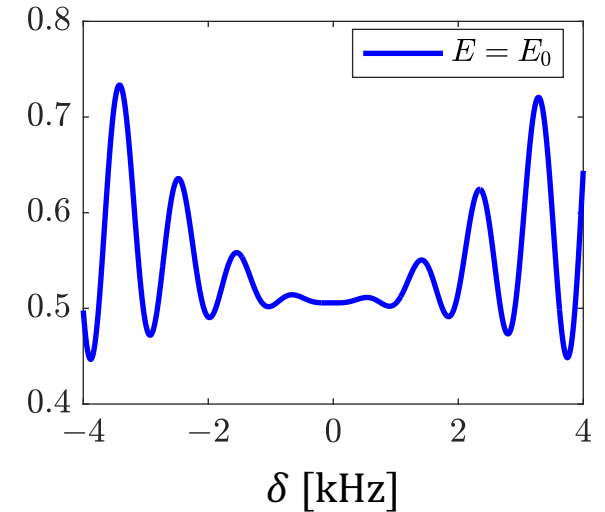
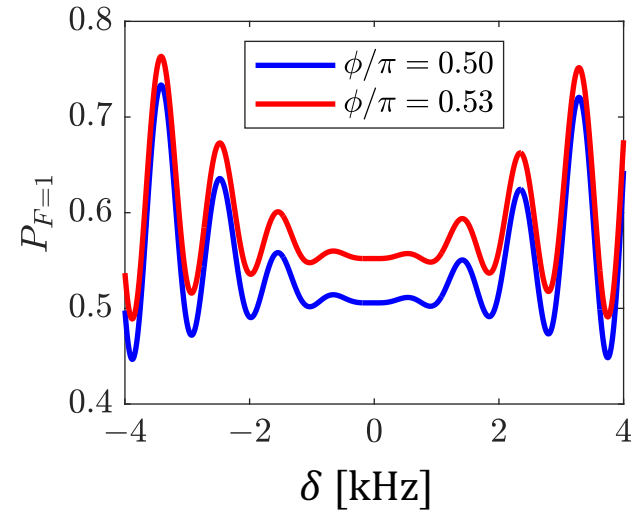
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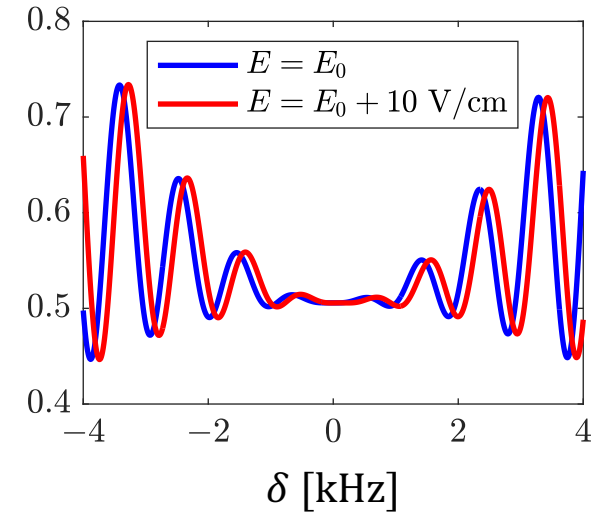
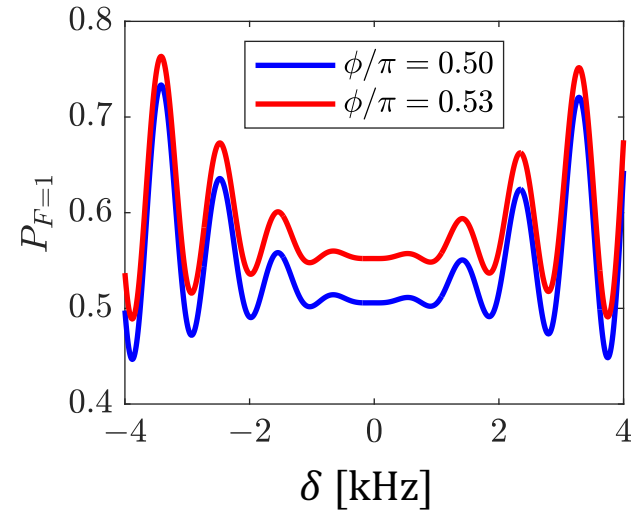
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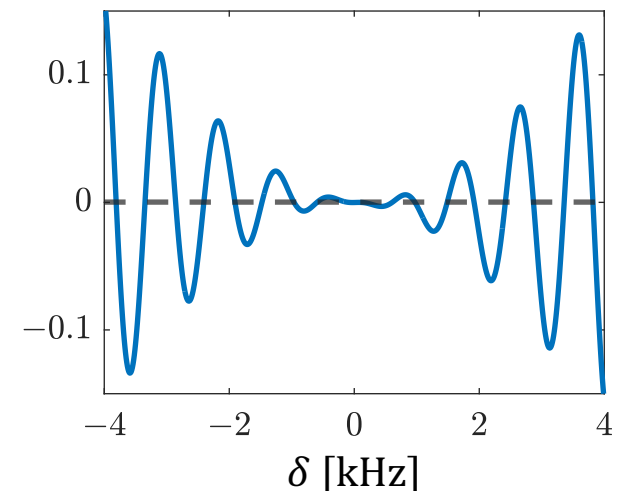
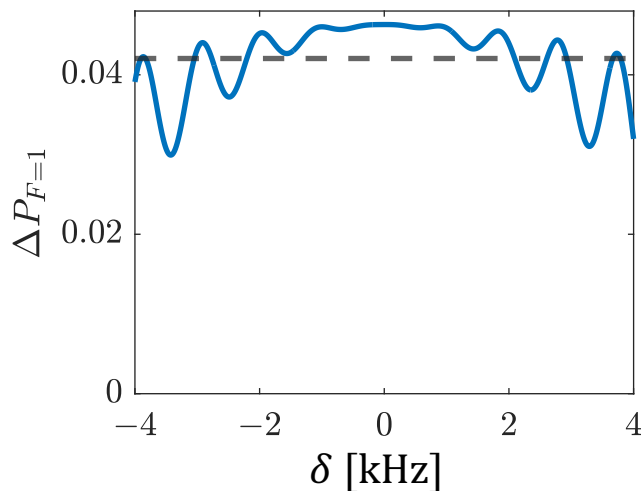
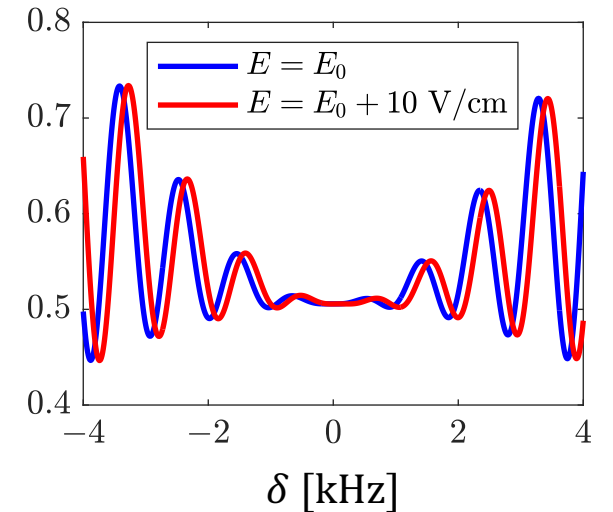
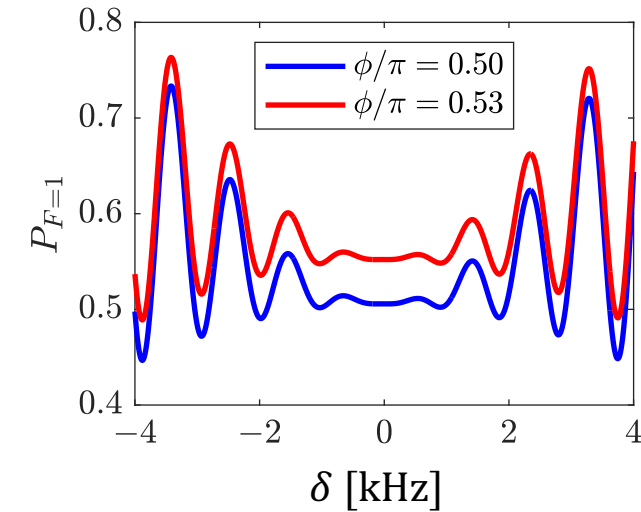
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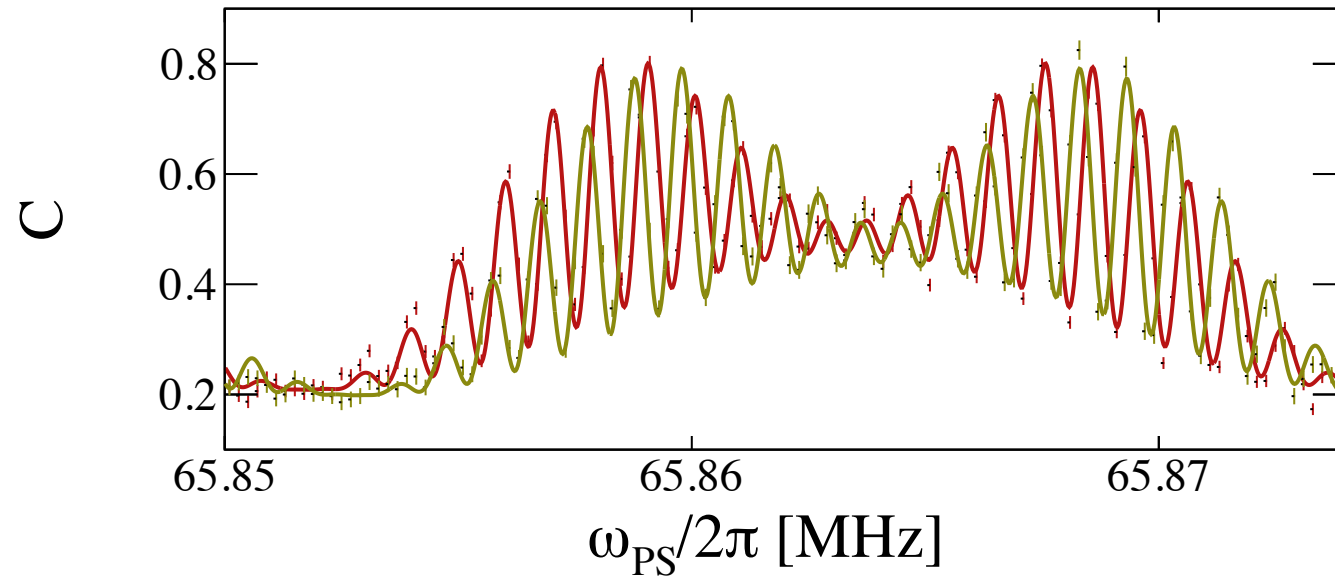
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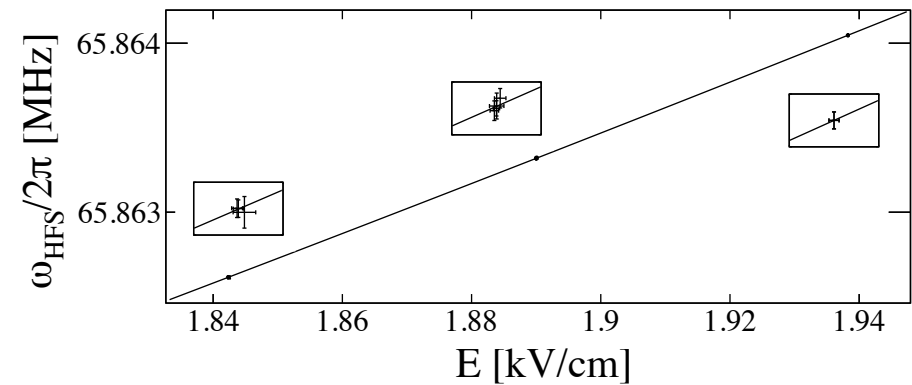
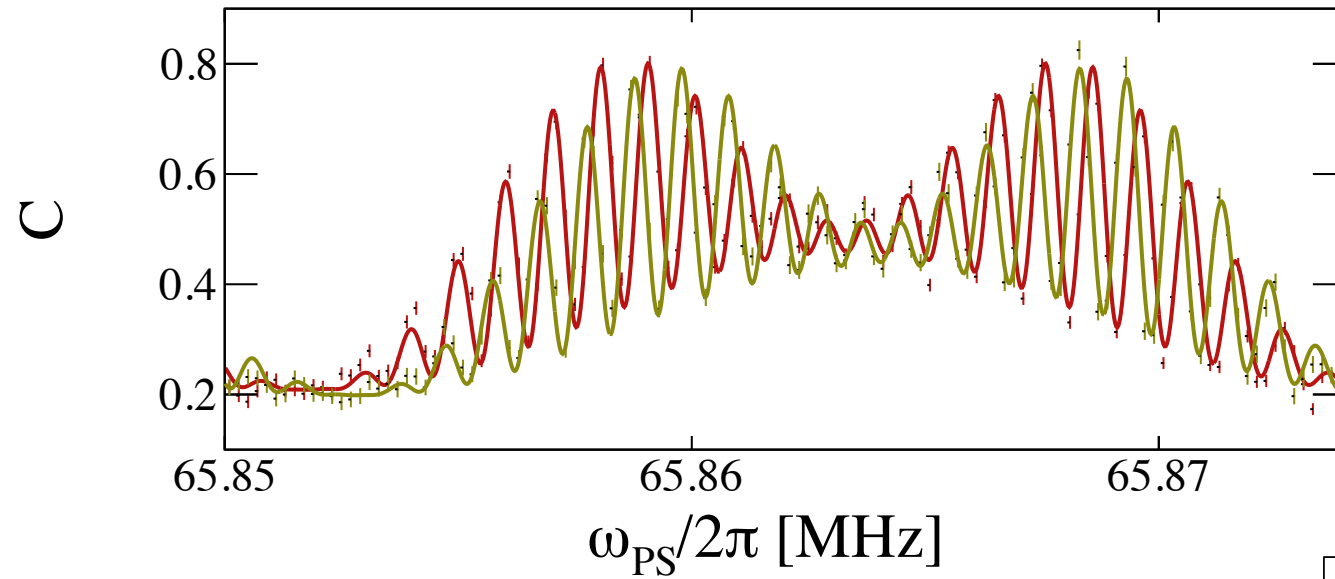
Systematic errors can be detected from EDM itself!



Experiment: excellent quantitative agreement

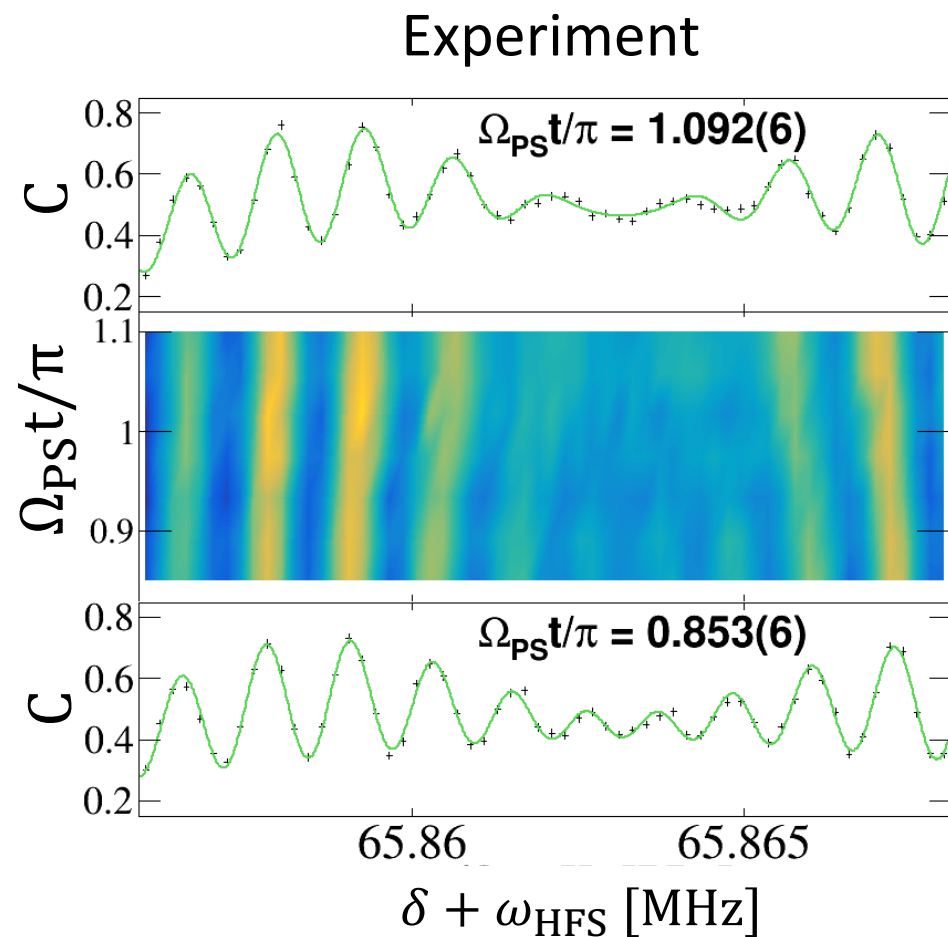
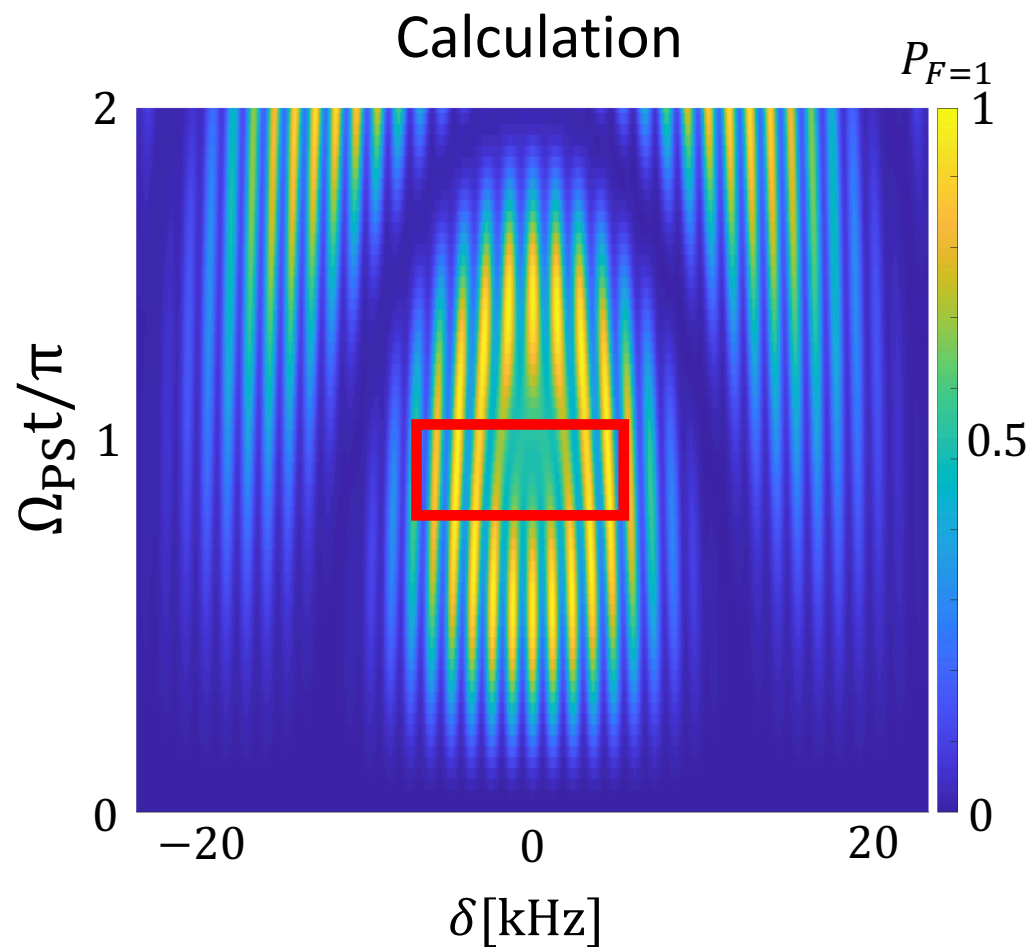


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Laser intensity

$$P_{F=1}(\delta, \Delta, t, T, \Omega_{P/S}, \hat{e}_{P/S}, \Phi_{P/S}, \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B})$$



Conclusion

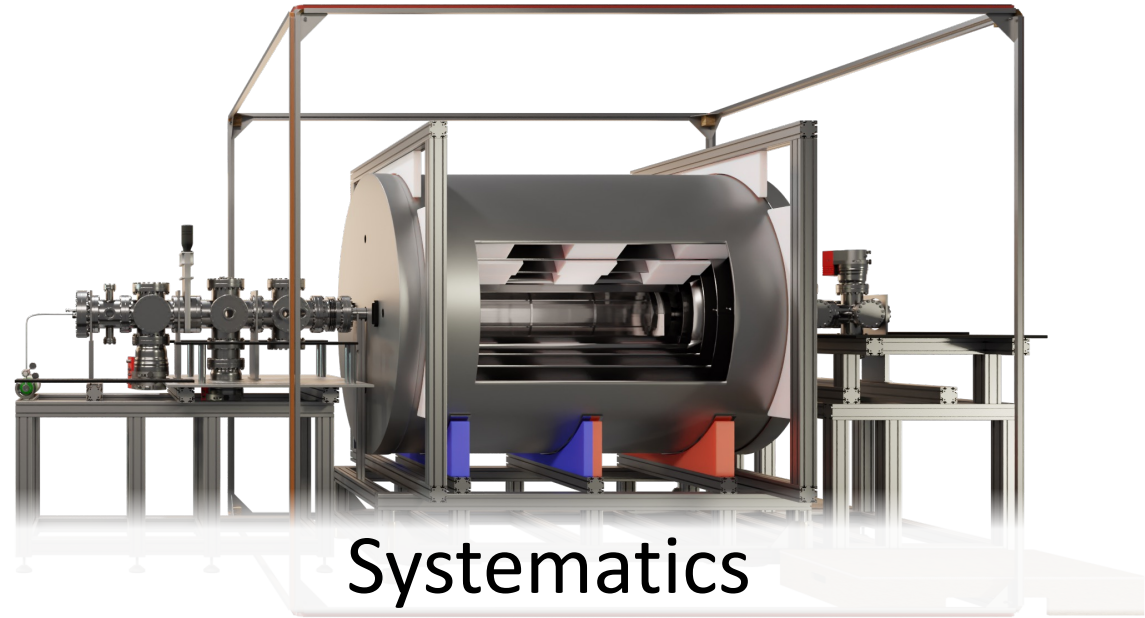
- Measurement of EDM requires precise measurement of Zeeman shift in combination with accurate E field reversal
- NL- e EDM experiment has control over parameters and description of signal in terms of these parameters
- New method allows to measure accuracy (systematic biases) simultaneously with EDM
- In the NL- e EDM experiment we can limit systematic errors without losing statistics on the EDM: **increased accuracy and precision**

Backup slides

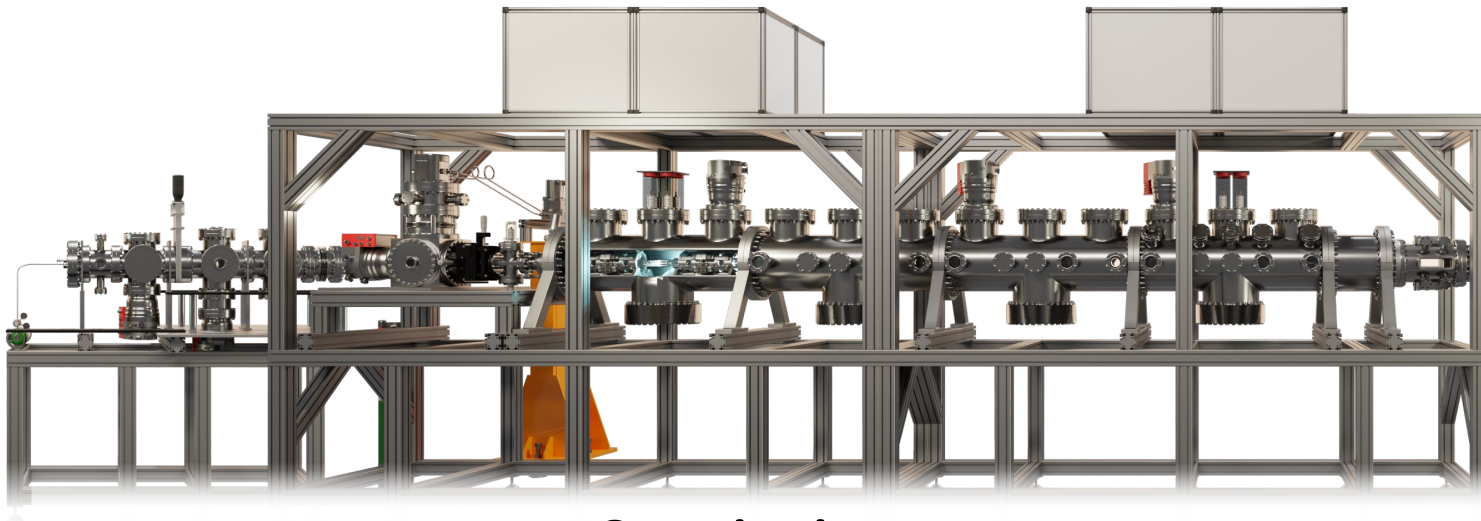
Fast beam

Supersonic beam (600 m/s)

Spin-precession measurement



Systematics



Statistics

Slow beam

Cryogenic beam (200 m/s)

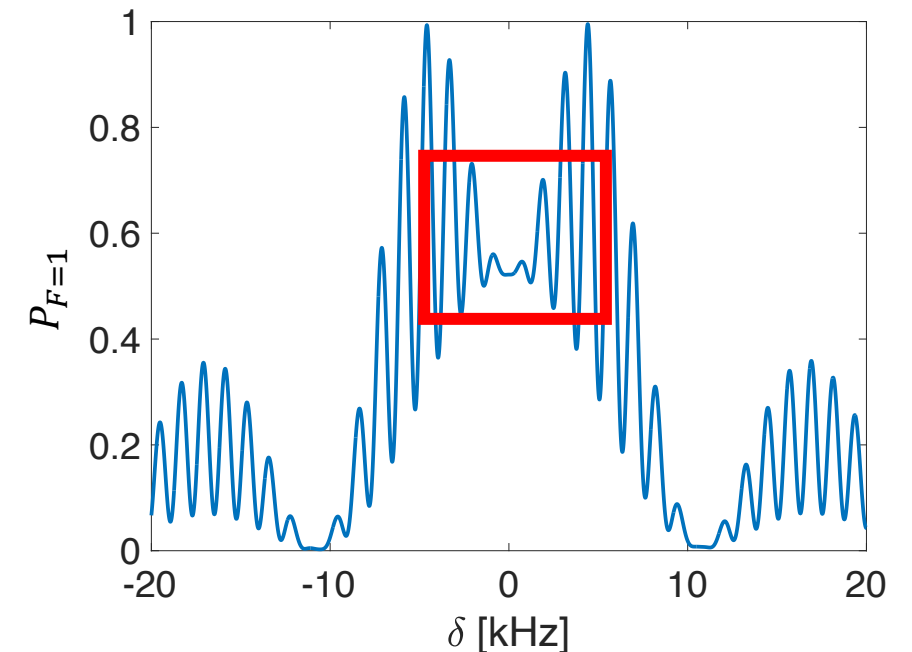
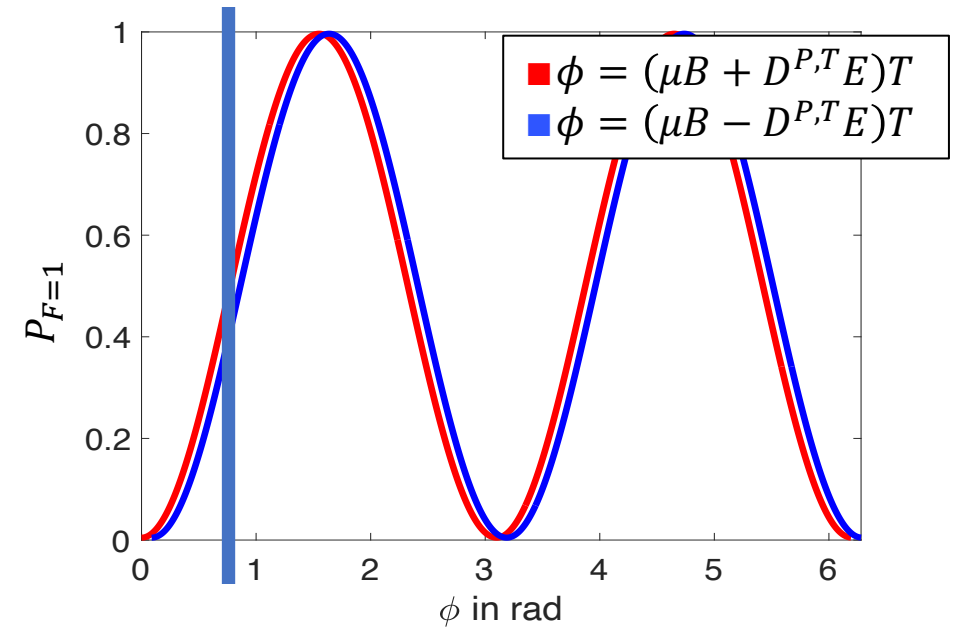
Stark decelerator (30 m/s)

Transverse laser cooling

Intense and cold beam

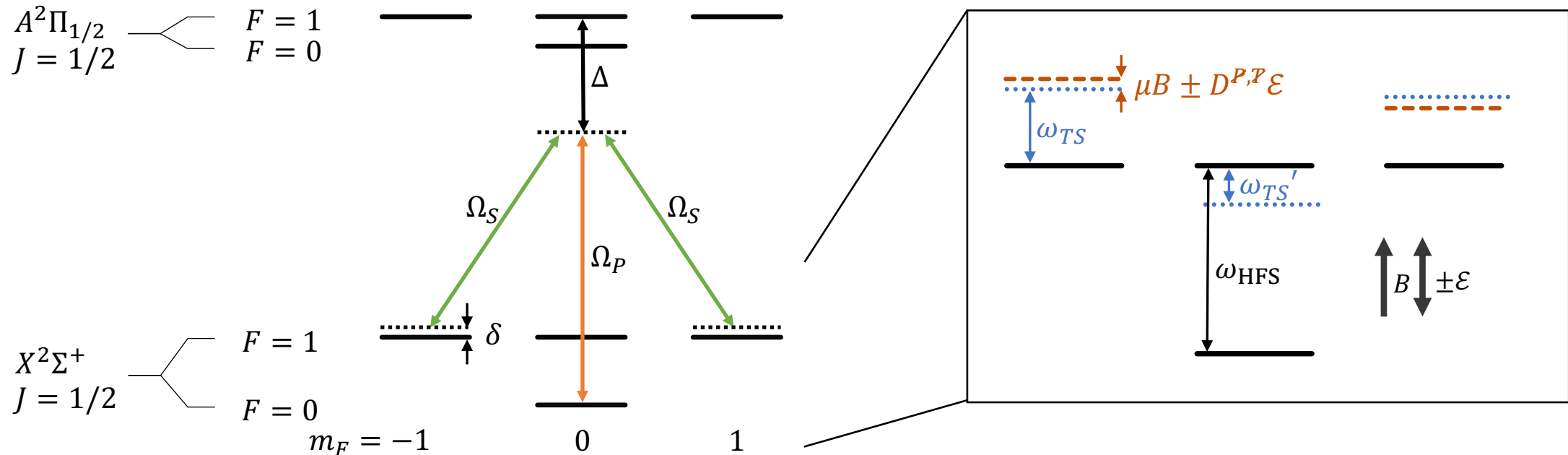
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- $P_{F=1}(\phi)$
 - Traditional approach
 - Measure at one point in parameter space
 - Auxiliary measurements needed for other parameters
- $P_{F=1}(\delta)$
 - Spin-precession spectrum
 - Contains more information: simultaneous measurement of other parameters

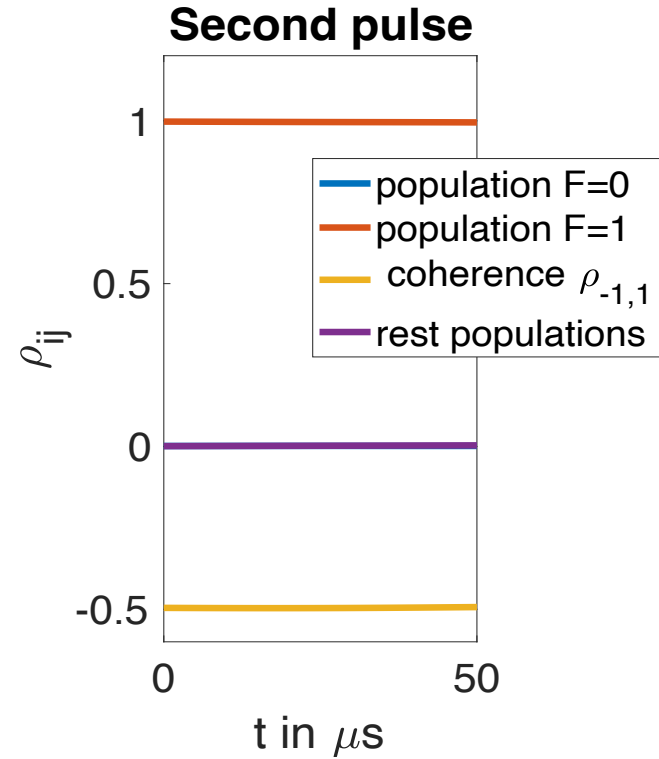
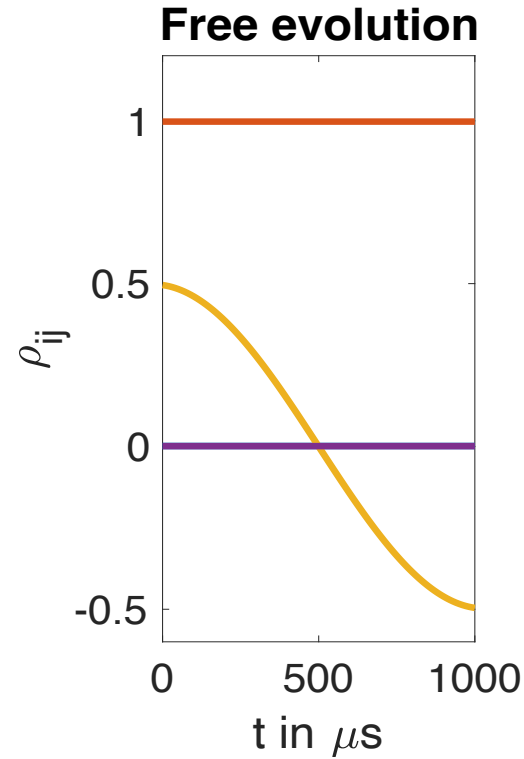
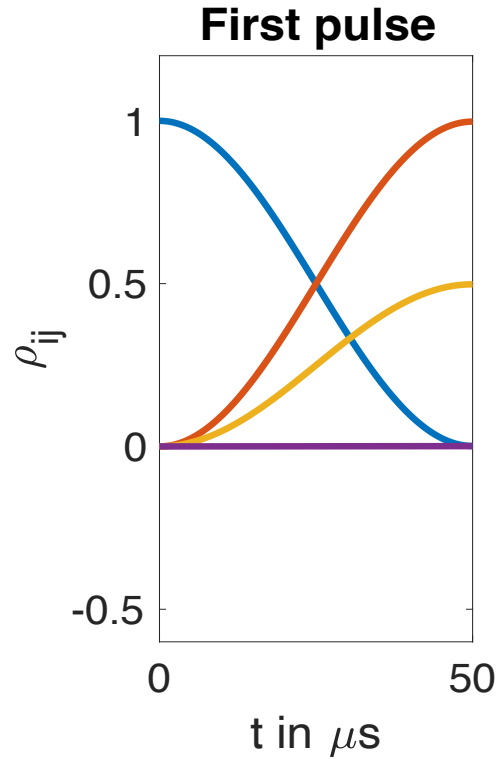
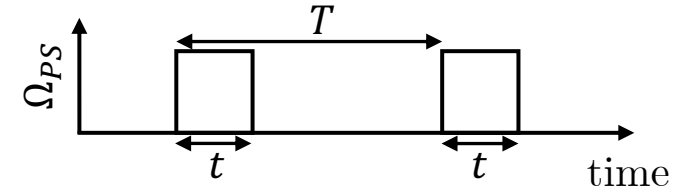


Description: Optical Bloch equations

- $i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho = [H(t), \rho] + L_{\text{relax}}(\rho)$



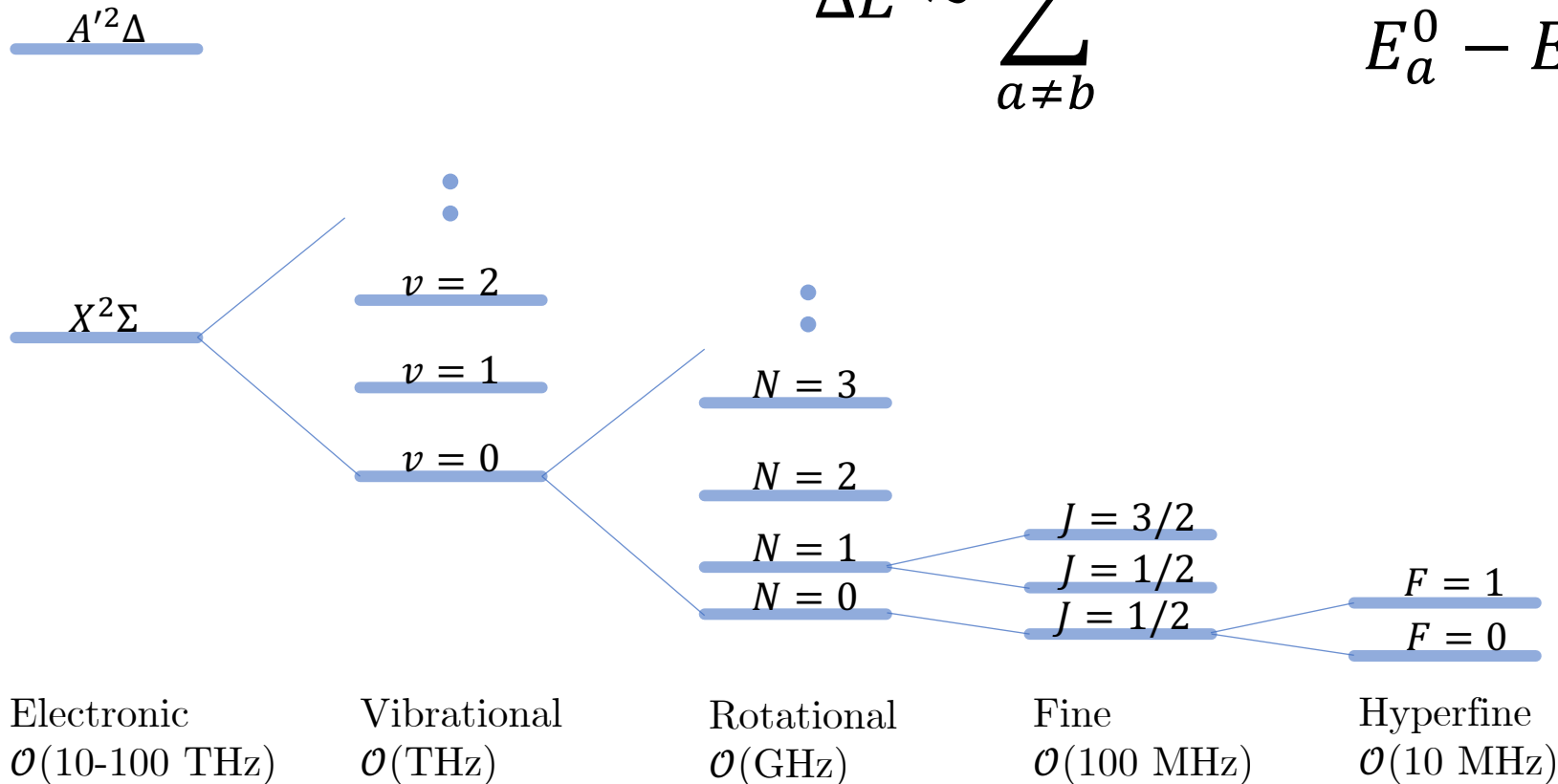
Spin precession



$$P_{F=0,1}(t + T + t) = P_{F=0,1}(\delta, \Delta, \Omega_{P/S}, \hat{e}_{P/S}, \Phi_{P/S}, \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B}, t, T)$$

Extra slide with perturbation theory?

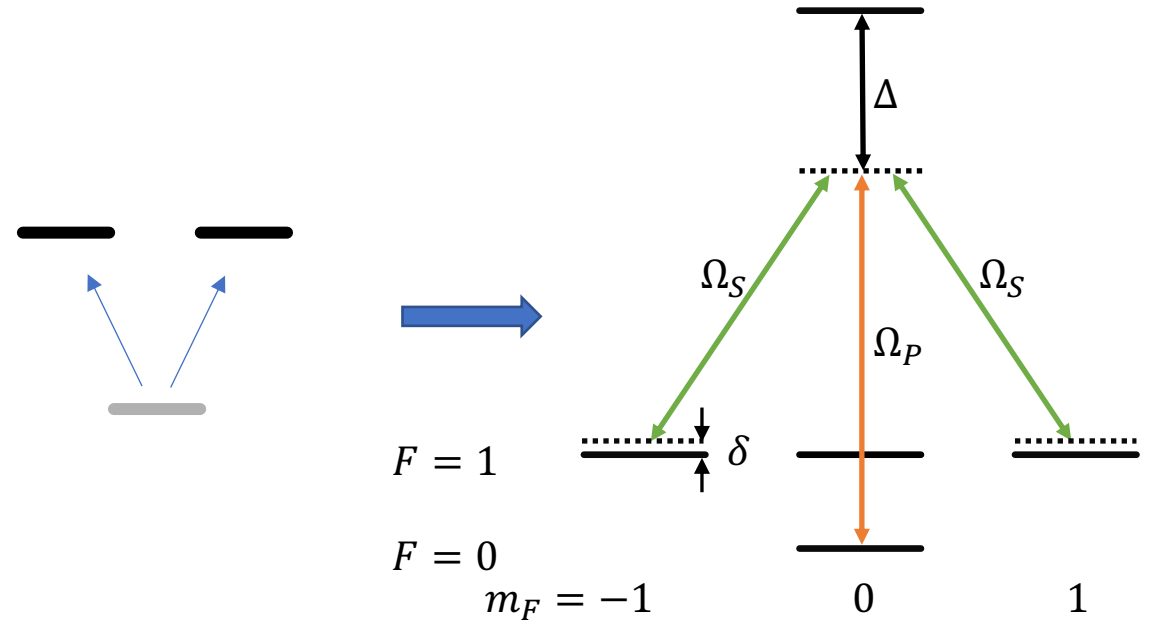
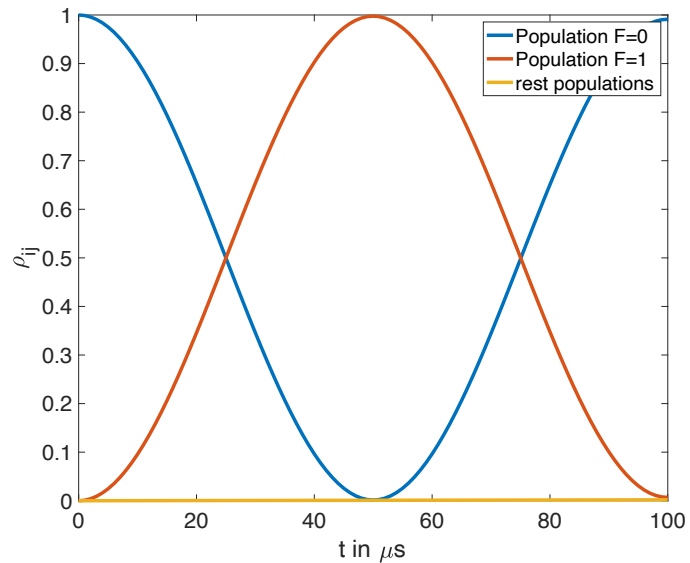
$$\Delta E \sim \sum_{a \neq b} \frac{\langle a | H^{e\text{EDM}} | b \rangle \langle b | H^{\text{Stark}} | a \rangle}{E_a^0 - E_b^0} \propto \frac{Z^3}{E_a^0 - E_b^0}$$



Superposition creation

- Laser detunings: $\Delta \sim \text{GHz}$,
 $\delta = 0$: Two-photon resonance
- Laser intensities: $I_P = I_S = 40 I_{\text{sat}}$

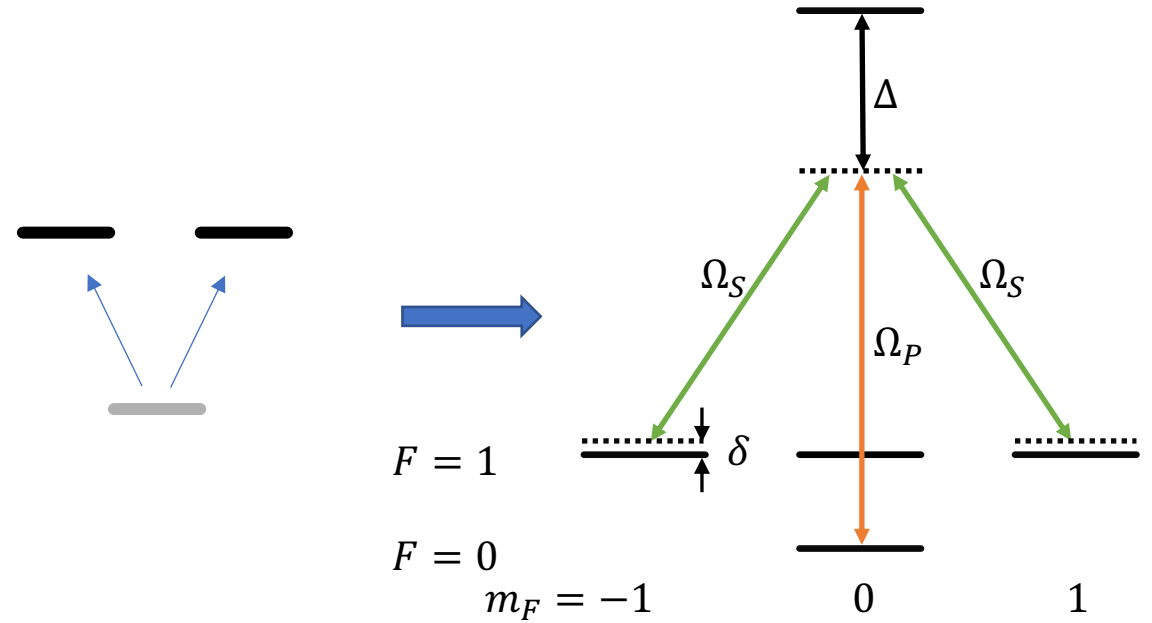
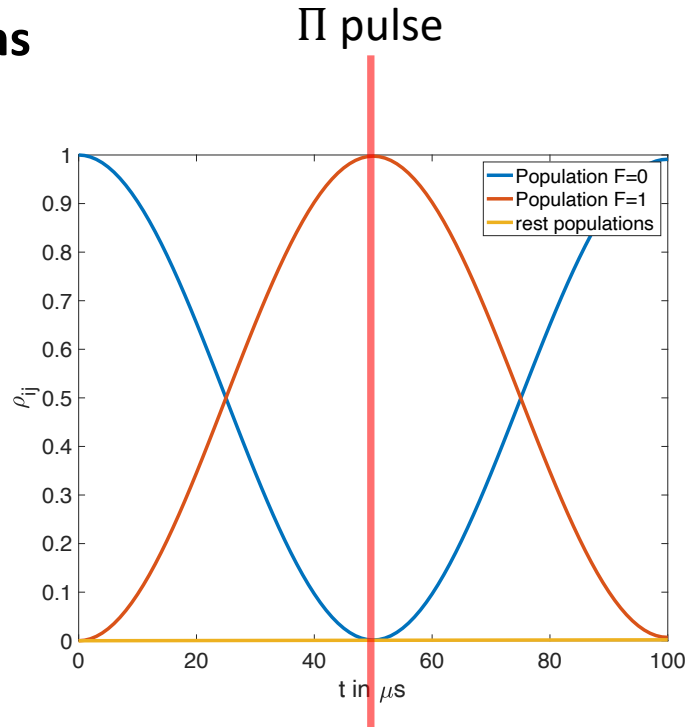
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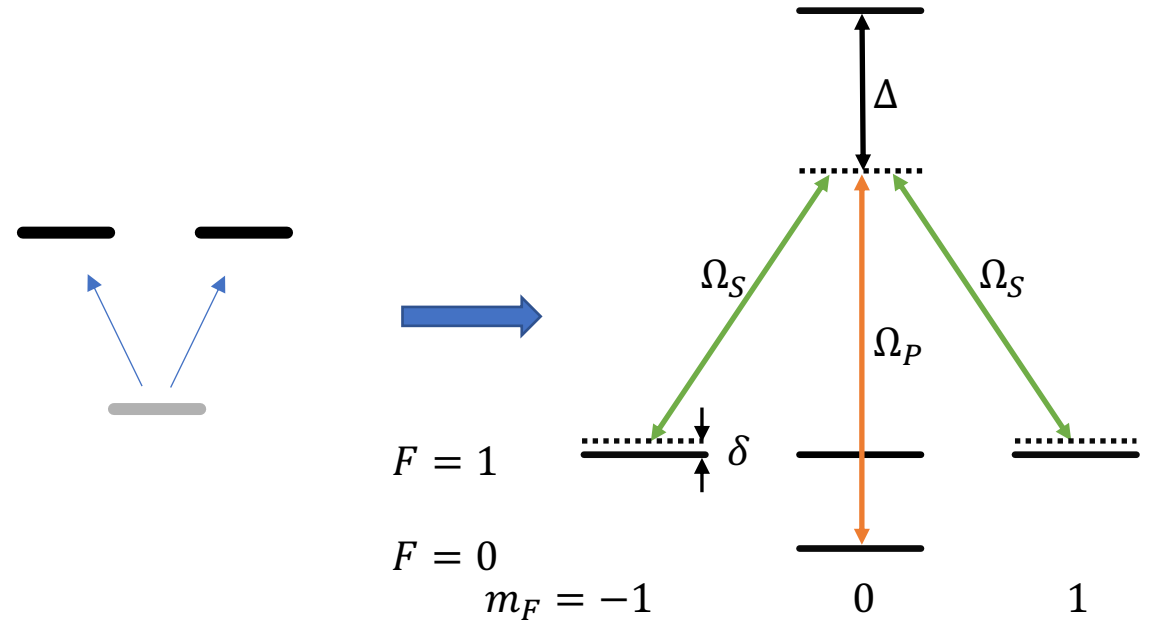
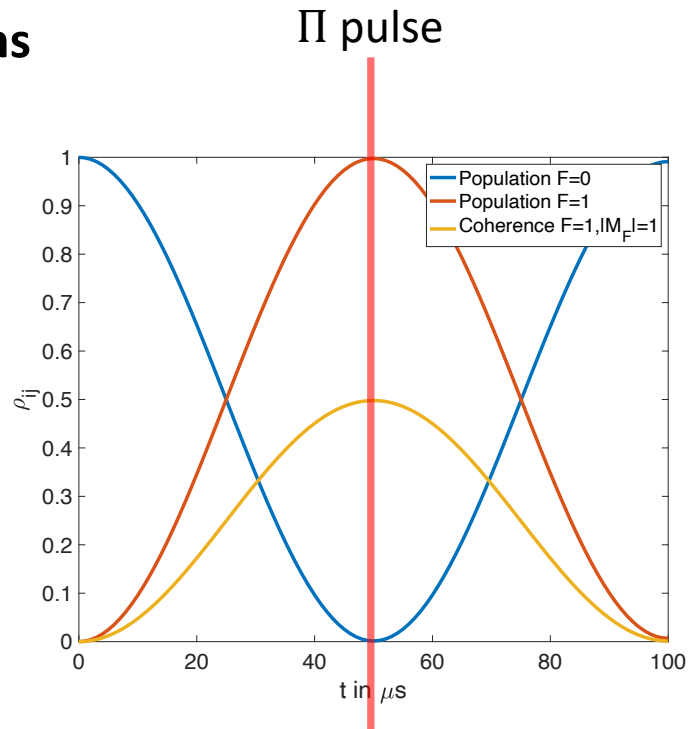


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Superposition creation

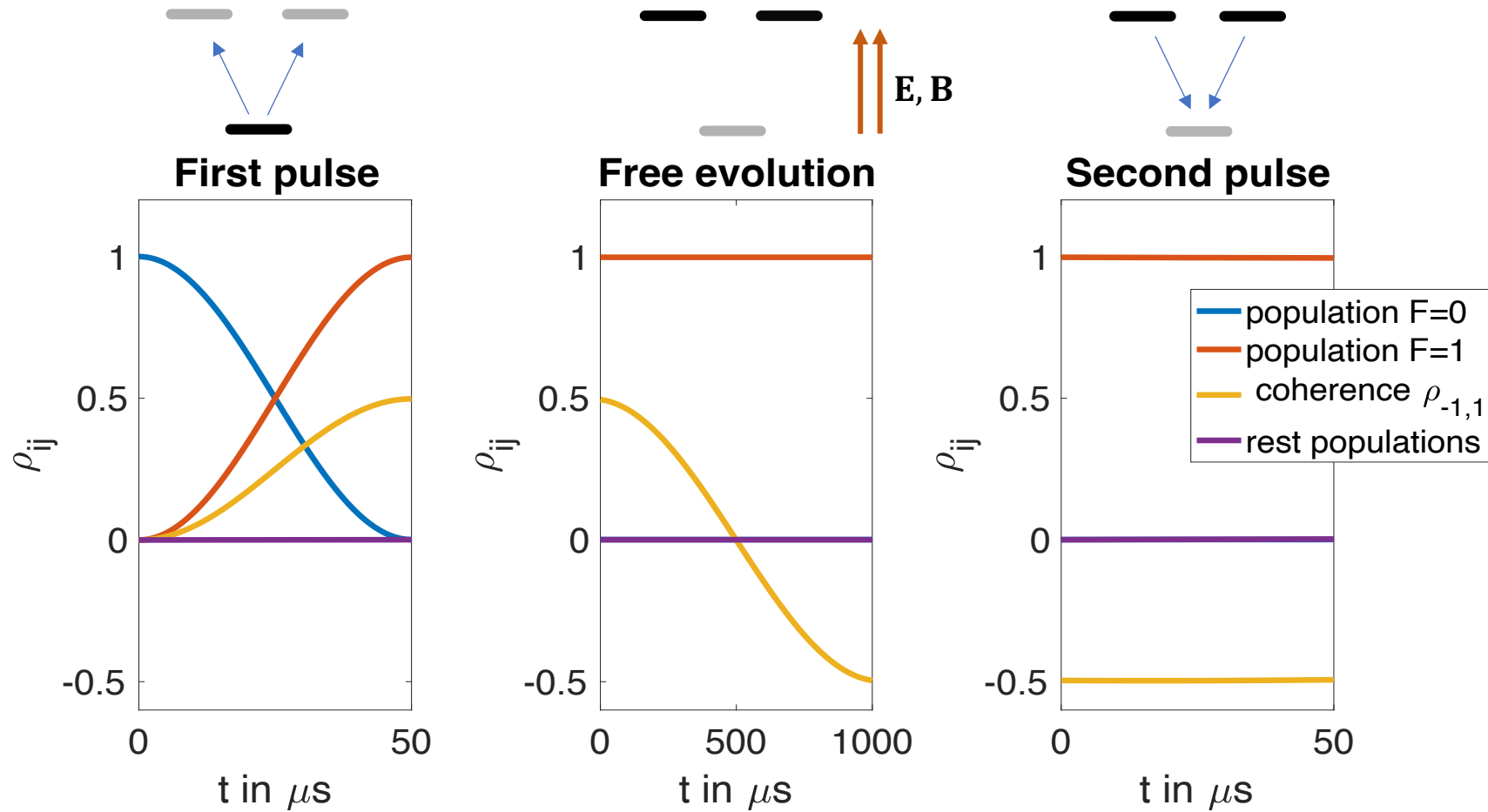
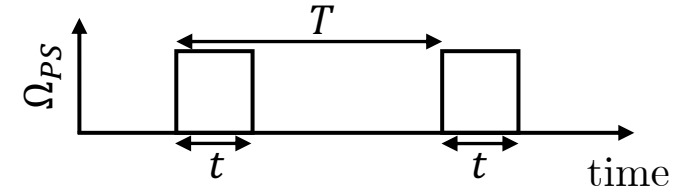
- Laser detunings: $\Delta \sim \text{GHz}$,
 $\delta = 0$: Two-photon resonance
- Laser intensities: $I_P = I_S = 40 I_{\text{sat}}$

→ Rabi oscillations



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- No population in other states
- $\rho_{-1,1} = c_{-1}c_1^* \approx 0.5$
coherence between states $|1, -1\rangle$ and $|1, 1\rangle$:
→ $|\psi\rangle \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|1, -1\rangle + |1, +1\rangle)$

Spin precession



$$P_{F=0,1}(t + T + t) = P_{F=0,1}(\delta, \Delta, \Omega_{P/S}, \hat{e}_{P/S}, \Phi_{P/S}, \mathbf{E}, \mathbf{B}, t, T).$$