

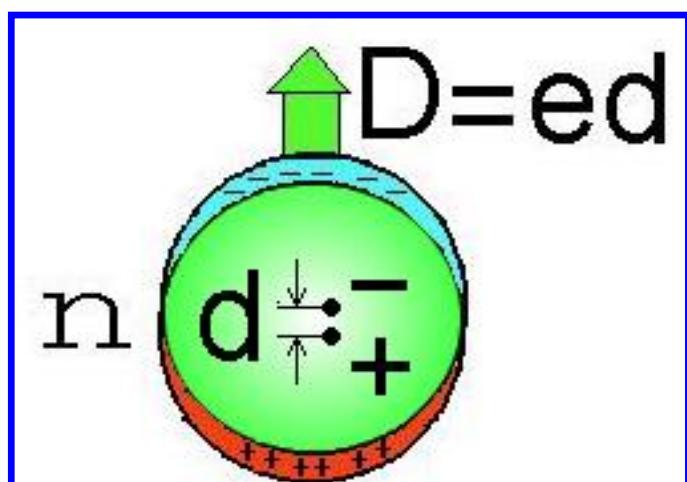
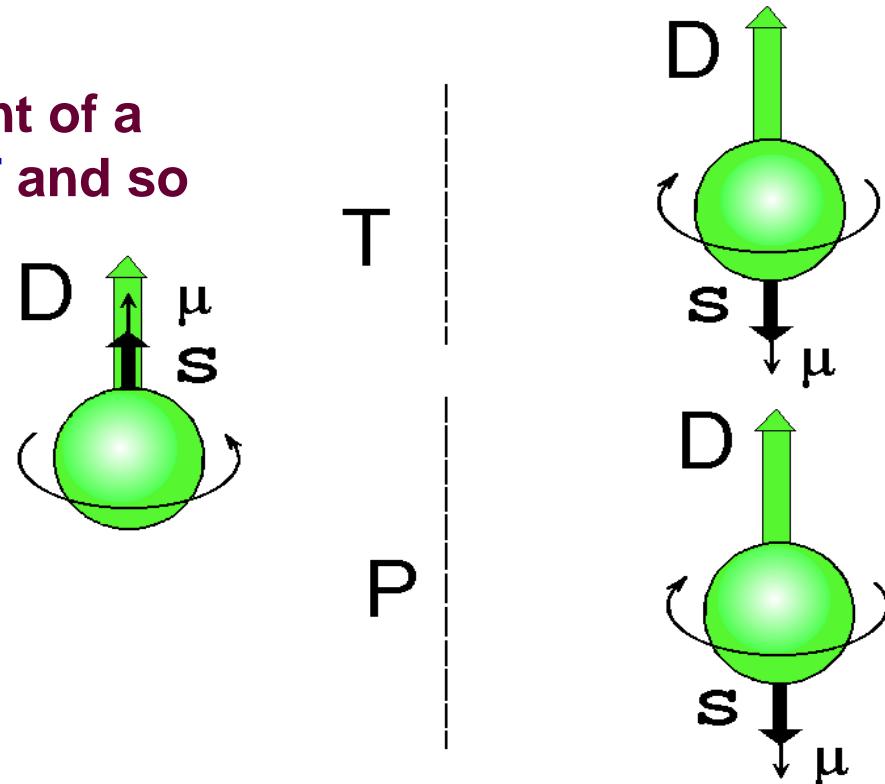
# **Storage modification of the crystal-diffraction nEDM experiment**

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## A few remarks. Why is it necessary to search for Neutron EDM

Existence of the Electric Dipole Moment of a particle violates **P** invariance as well **T** and so **CP** invariance

The last result  $d_n \leq 3 \cdot 10^{-26} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm}$   
**(ILL, RAL, Sussex Un.) PRL, 2006,  
97, 131801)** – is not much better  
~ 30 years old results of PNPI and  
ILL:  $d_n \leq 9, 7 \cdot 10^{-26} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm}$ , PNPI, 1989



If you imagine a neutron as a sphere of radius  $R \sim 10^{-13} \text{ cm}$ , then  $d/R \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-13}$ .

Such a part of Earth radius is approximately  $\sim 2 \mu\text{m} !!!$

The Standard Model (SM) perfectly well explains all observations of CP and T violation in the K and B decays.

Also SM predicts the neutron EDM at the level, less than  $10^{-31}$  e·cm, which is below of the current experimental limit by six orders of magnitude.

However the SM cannot explain the baryon asymmetry of the Universe. It appears at the level  $10^{-25}$  in SM, while observations give the value  $10^{-10}$ .

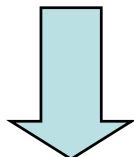
According to Sakharov criteria (1967) only theories beyond the SM, suggesting new channels for CP violation as well as violation of the baryon number conservation are necessary to explain the baryon asymmetry in the Universe.

In such theories (unification, supersymmetry) the predicted value of the neutron EDM is raised by up to seven orders of magnitude.

So the measurements of the neutron EDM could provide a significant argument for these extensions to the SM.

# Standard model

(the baryon asymmetry  
 $n_b/n_\gamma \sim 10^{-20} - 10^{-25}$ )



$$d_n \sim (10^{-31} - 10^{-33}) \text{ e cm}$$

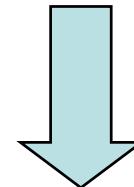
That is below of the current experimental limit by 6 – 8 orders of magnitude!!!

For last 30 years there is some stagnation in the experimental sensitivity to neutron EDM – the sensitivity was improved only about 3 times.

Therefore it is important to develop the principally new methods and ideas to search for neutron EDM.

New physics beyond SM  
to explain the observable  
baryon asymmetry

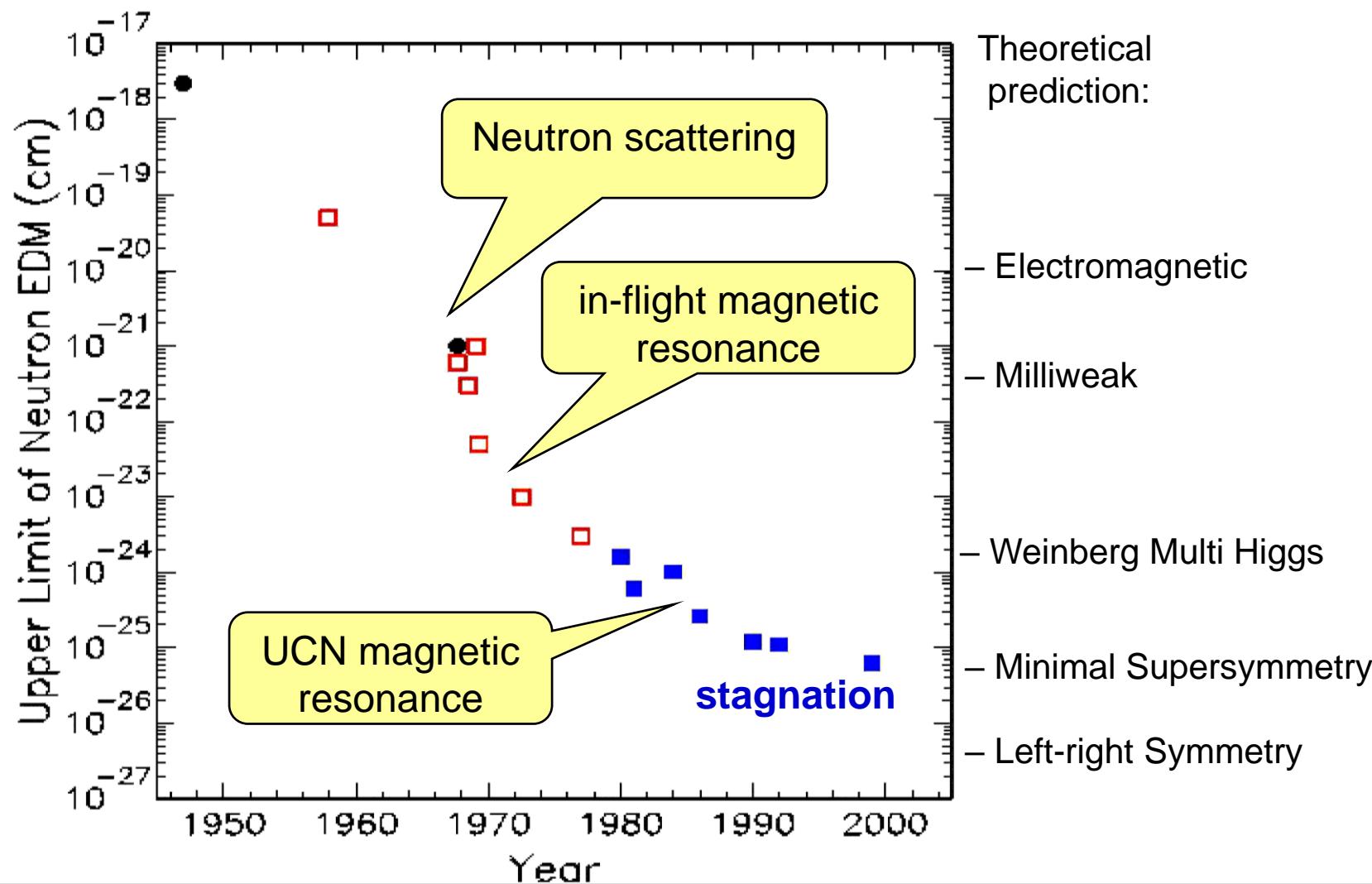
(experiment -  $n_b/n_\gamma \sim 10^{-8} - 10^{-10}$ )



$$d_n \sim (10^{-26} - 10^{-28}) \text{ e cm}$$

At the limit of current experimental feasibilities

# History of nEDM experiment from Ramsey pioneering work (measured in 1951, published in 1957)



Theoretical prediction:

- Electromagnetic
- Milliweak
- Weinberg Multi Higgs
- Minimal Supersymmetry
- Left-right Symmetry

E.M. Purcell, and N.F. Ramsey, 1950, proposed to measure nEDM

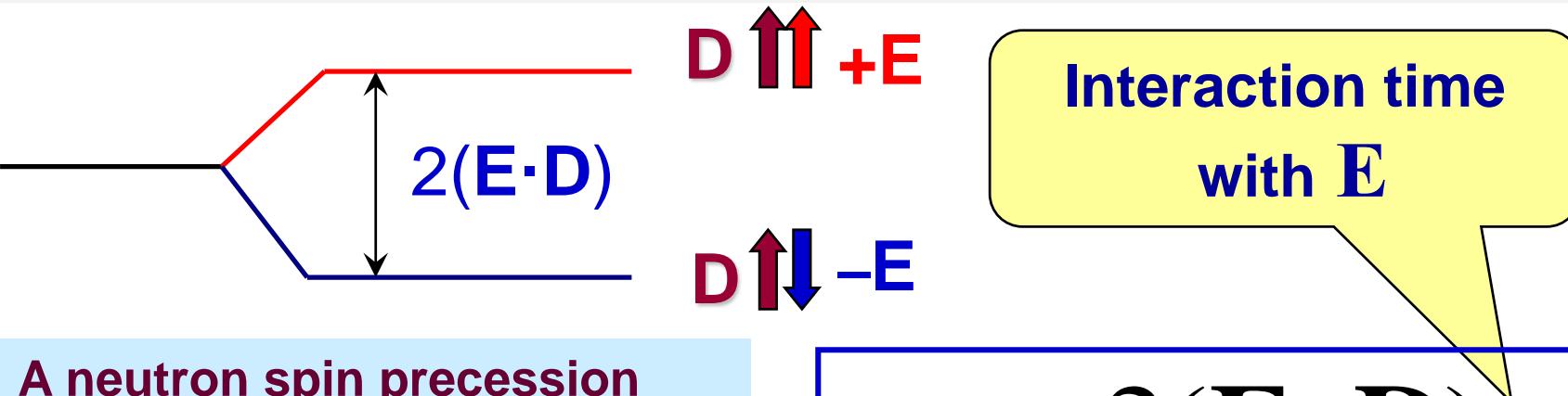
Smith, J.H., 1951, PhD Thesis, measured nEDM

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**“It is fair to say that the neutron EDM has ruled out more theories (put forward to explain  $K_0$  decay) than any experiment in the history of physics.”**

**Golub R., Lamoreaux S.K.** Neutron electric-dipole moment,  
ultracold neutrons and polarized  ${}^3\text{He}$ .  
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# Sensitivity to neutron EDM



A neutron spin precession angle due to interaction of the EDM with the electric field:

$$\varphi_D = 2(\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{D})\tau / \hbar$$

It is analogous to the spin precession angle due to interaction of magnetic moment with the magnetic field :

$$\varphi_\mu = 2(\mathbf{H} \cdot \boldsymbol{\mu})\tau / \hbar$$

Sensitivity to neutron EDM will be determined by the value of the effect  $E\tau$  and the total number of accumulated events  $\sqrt{N}$

$$\sigma^{-1} \sim E\tau\sqrt{N}$$

# Diffraction method to search for neutron EDM

Sensitivity



$$\sigma^{-1} \sim E\tau\sqrt{N}$$

## UCN method

$E \sim$  a few  $10^4$  V/cm

$\tau \sim 1000$  s (time of life)

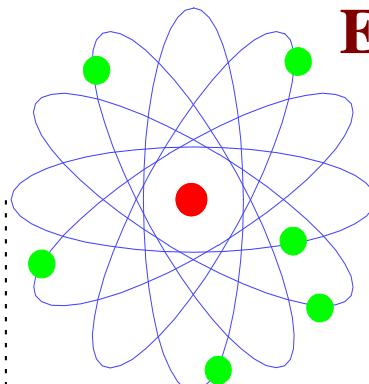
$$(E\tau)_{\max} \sim 10^7 (\text{V}\cdot\text{s})/\text{cm}$$

Actual now

$$E\tau \approx 10^6 (\text{V}\cdot\text{s})/\text{cm}$$

## Crystal-diffraction method

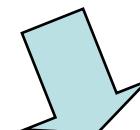
Electron bounding energy  $\sim$  **a few eV**



$$\mathbf{E} = -\text{grad } V_e \sim (1-10)10^8 \text{ V/cm}$$

$$\tau_a \sim 0.01 \text{ c}$$

(absorption)



$$(E\tau)_{\max} \sim 10^7 (\text{V}\cdot\text{s})/\text{cm}$$

$\sim 1 \text{ \AA}$

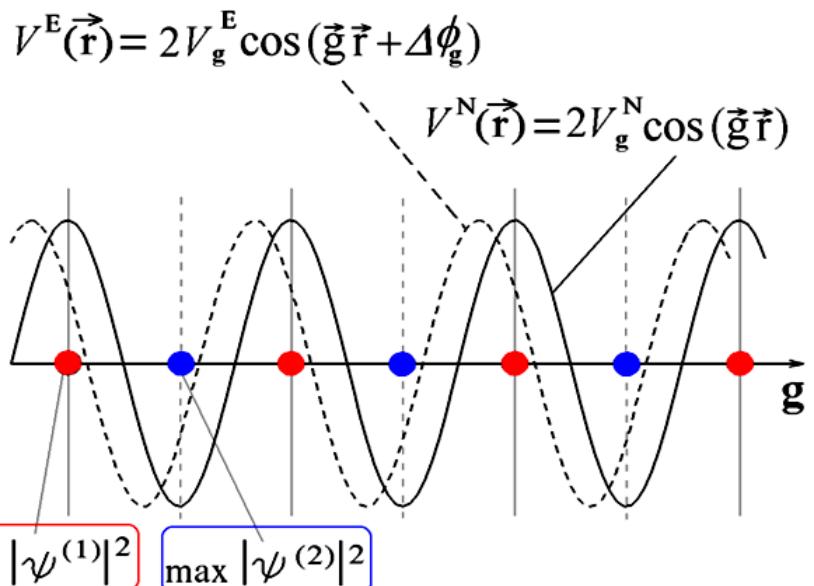
# Crystal-diffraction nEDM project

## In the non-centrosymmetric crystal

**neutrons are moving under strong electric field  
(up to  $10^9$  V/cm).**

The cause is that:

1. The neutron concentration on (or between) the nuclear planes
2. Shift of the electric planes relative to the nuclear ones



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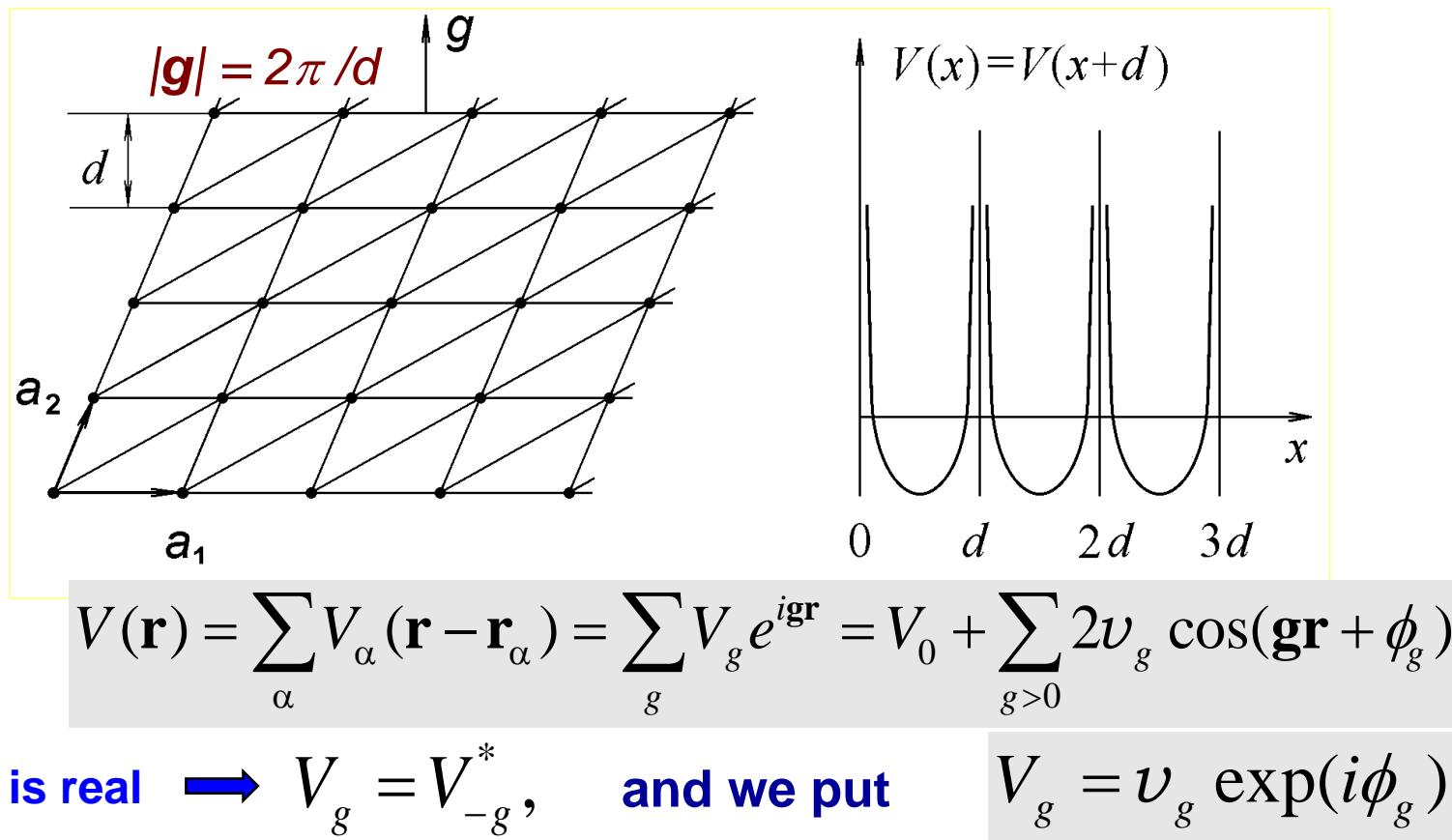
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# Any crystal potential (nuclear or electric)

Can be represented as a sum of atomic potentials or as a sum of crystal planes potentials. The last is called the reciprocal lattice vectors expansion



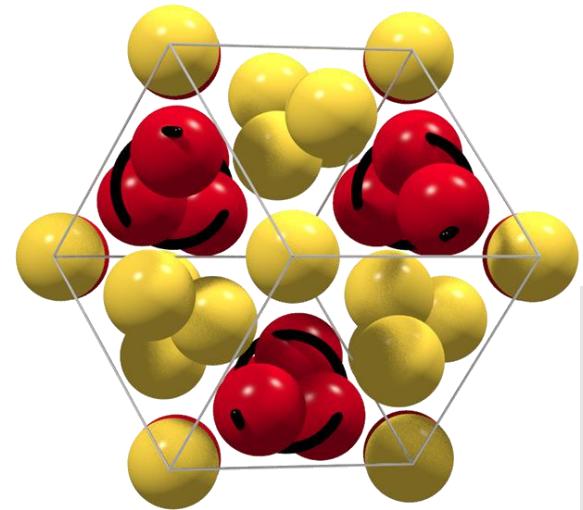
For centrosymmetric crystal, by choosing a center of symmetry as the origin of coordinates (so that  $V(\mathbf{r}) = V(-\mathbf{r})$ ), one can reduce to zero the phases of the amplitudes for all harmonics of the total potential (and of each potentials individually):

$$\phi_g = \phi_g^N = \phi_g^E = \dots \equiv 0,$$

Harmonic amplitudes  $V_g$  for both nuclear and electric potentials are determined by corresponding structure amplitudes  $F_g$  (scattering amplitudes):

$$V_g = \int_{V=1} d^3r e^{-i\mathbf{gr}} V(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m} N_c F_g,$$

$$F_g = \sum_i e^{-W_{ig}} f_i(\mathbf{g}) e^{-i\mathbf{gr}_i}.$$



In NCS crystal the phases of complex values  $V_g^N$  and  $V_g^E$  can be different that leads to shift of the electric potential maximums relative to the nuclear ones (shift of “electric planes” relative to “nuclear” ones)

Harmonic amplitude  $V_g^N$  of nuclear potential is determined by the nuclear scattering amplitudes (scattering lengths):

$$f_i^N(\mathbf{g}) = -a_i$$

Harmonic amplitude  $V_g^E$  of electric potential is determined by the atomic scattering amplitudes for charged particle:

$$f_i^E(\mathbf{g}) = -2r_n \frac{Z_i - f_{ic}(\mathbf{g})}{\lambda_{cn}^2 g^2}.$$

# How a neutron concentration arises in crystal? Two wave approach

Periodic potential, containing  $\cos \mathbf{gr}$ , can transfer only momentum  $\mathbf{q} = \hbar \mathbf{g}$ .

Energy conservation  $\rightarrow$  Bragg condition

final energy      initial energy

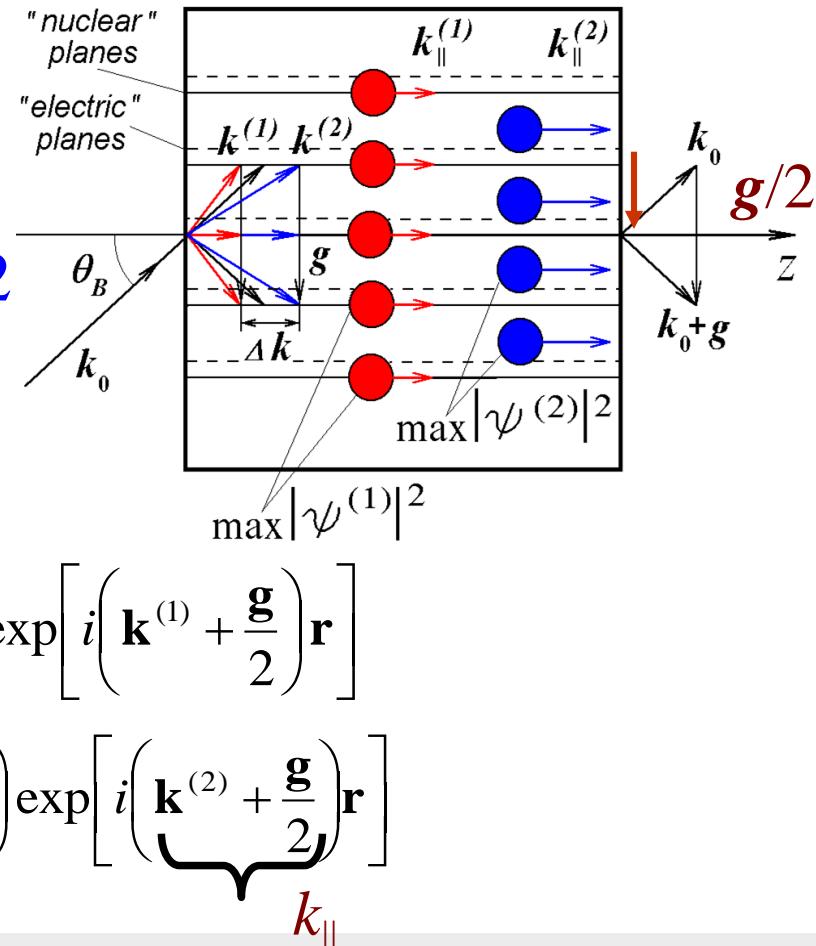
$$|\mathbf{k}_0 + \mathbf{g}|^2 = |\mathbf{k}_0|^2 \quad \text{or} \quad k_{0y} \equiv k_{\perp} = -g/2$$

that equal to usual:  $2d \sin \theta_B = \lambda$

( $|\mathbf{g}|=2\pi/d$ ,  $|\mathbf{k}_0|=2\pi/\lambda$ )

$$\psi^{(1)} = \frac{\exp(i\mathbf{k}^{(1)}\mathbf{r}) + \exp[i(\mathbf{k}^{(1)} + \mathbf{g})\mathbf{r}]}{\sqrt{2}} = \sqrt{2} \cos\left(\frac{\mathbf{gr}}{2}\right) \exp\left[i\left(\mathbf{k}^{(1)} + \frac{\mathbf{g}}{2}\right)\mathbf{r}\right]$$

$$\psi^{(2)} = \frac{\exp(i\mathbf{k}^{(2)}\mathbf{r}) - \exp[i(\mathbf{k}^{(2)} + \mathbf{g})\mathbf{r}]}{\sqrt{2}} = -i\sqrt{2} \sin\left(\frac{\mathbf{gr}}{2}\right) \exp\left[i\left(\mathbf{k}^{(2)} + \frac{\mathbf{g}}{2}\right)\mathbf{r}\right]$$



Neutrons are moving along the crystal planes with the velocity:

$$|\mathbf{v}_{\parallel}| = \frac{\hbar k \cos \theta_B}{m} = v \cos \theta_B \approx v \left( \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_B \right) \quad \text{при} \quad \theta_B \approx \frac{\pi}{2}$$

The behavior of neutrons in crystal is determined by the nuclear interaction, so the **periodic potential** responsible for diffraction has a form

(we put  $\phi_g^N = 0$ ):

$$V^N(\mathbf{r}) = 2v_g^N \cos g\mathbf{r}$$

**Neutron “density”** in crystal for **symmetric state** is

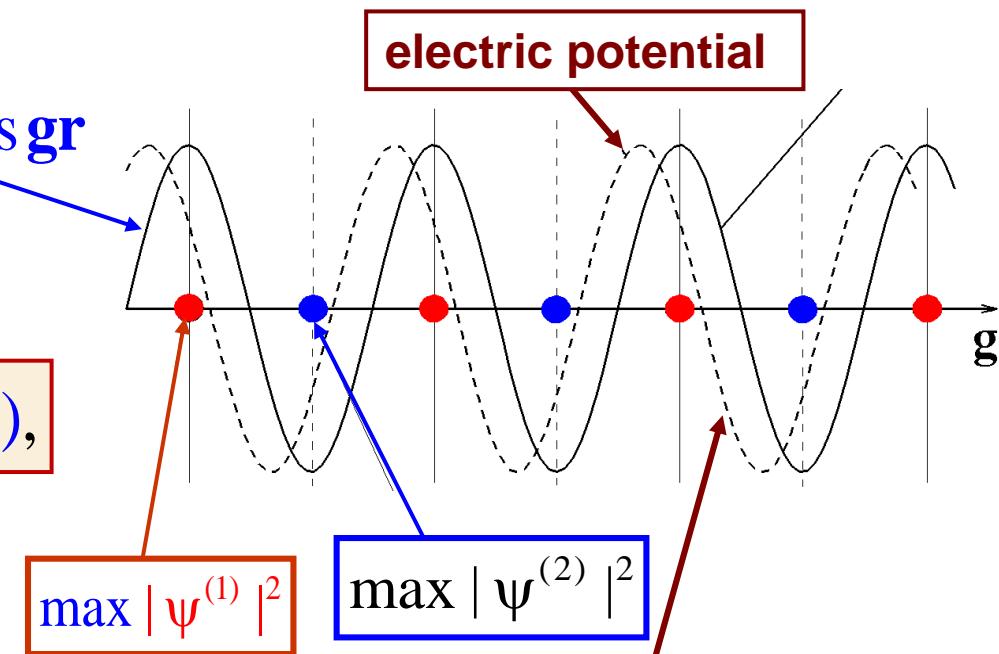
$$|\psi^{(1)}|^2 = 2 \cos^2(g\mathbf{r}/2) = 1 + \cos(g\mathbf{r}),$$

the neutrons are concentrated **on the “nuclear” planes.**

For **antisymmetric state** neutrons are concentrated **between the “nuclear” planes:**

$$|\psi^{(2)}|^2 = 1 - \cos(g\mathbf{r})$$

$$\mathbf{E}_g = \langle \psi^{(1)} / \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) / \psi^{(1)} \rangle = -\langle \psi^{(2)} / \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) / \psi^{(2)} \rangle = \mathbf{g} v_g^E \sin \Delta\phi_g.$$



$$V^E(\mathbf{r}) = 2V_g^E \cos(g\mathbf{r} + \Delta\phi_g)$$

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) = -\text{grad } V^E(\mathbf{r}) = 2v_g^E \mathbf{g} \sin(g\mathbf{r} + \Delta\phi_g)$$

**In noncentrosymmetric crystal**  
 $\Delta\phi_g \neq 0$ , therefore

In noncentrosymmetric (NCS) crystals  
there are strong electric fields, which act on  
neutron, moving in a crystal

Crystal	Symmetry group	hkl	d, (Å)	$E_g$ , $10^8 V/cm$	$\tau_a$ , ms	$E_g \tau_a$ , (kV·s/cm)
$\alpha$ -quartz (SiO <sub>2</sub> )	32(D <sub>3</sub> <sup>2</sup> )	111	2.236	2.3	1	230
		110	2.457	2.0		200
$Bi_{12}SiO_{20}$	I23	433	1.75	4.3	4	1720
		444	1.46	4.65		1860
$Bi_{12}GeO_{20}$	I23	433	1.74	4.65	1	465
		444	1.46	4.8		480

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# Neutron optics. Perturbation theory

If the Bragg condition is not satisfied for any plane system the neutron wave function in the crystal can be written as

$$\psi(\mathbf{r}) = e^{i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{r}} + \sum_{g'} \frac{V_g^N}{E_k - E_{k_{g'}}} e^{i\mathbf{k}_g \mathbf{r}} \approx e^{i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{r}} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{\Delta_B} e^{i\mathbf{g}\mathbf{r}} \right], \quad E_k = \hbar^2 \mathbf{k}^2 / 2m, \quad \mathbf{k}_g = \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{g}, \quad E_{k_g} = \hbar^2 \mathbf{k}_g^2 / 2m,$$

$$\Delta_B = \frac{E_k - E_{k_g}}{V_g^N} = \frac{2(E_k - E_B)}{V_g^N}$$

only one reflected wave for plane system  $\mathbf{g}$ , most close to Bragg condition

the deviation parameter from the Bragg condition

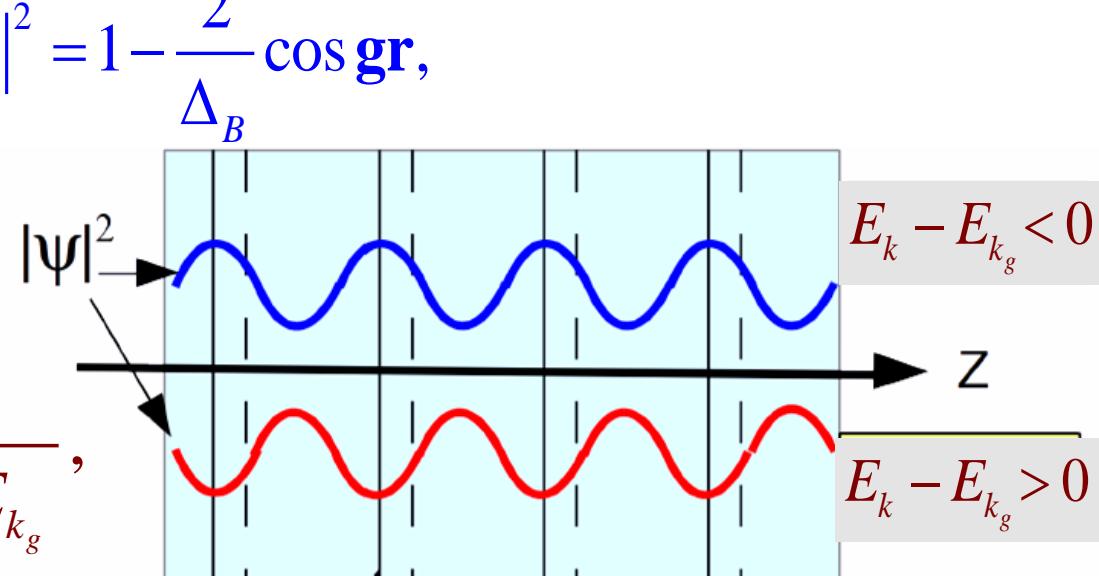
$$V^N(\mathbf{r}) = 2v_g^N \cos \mathbf{g}\mathbf{r}, \quad |\psi(\mathbf{r})|^2 = 1 - \frac{2}{\Delta_B} \cos \mathbf{g}\mathbf{r},$$

$$V^E(\mathbf{r}) = 2v_g^E \cos(\mathbf{g}\mathbf{r} + \Delta\phi_g)$$

Electric field, acting on neutron

$$\mathbf{E} = \langle \psi / \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}) / \psi \rangle = \mathbf{E}_g \frac{2v_g^N}{E_k - E_{k_g}},$$

$$\mathbf{E}_g = \mathbf{g} v_g^E \sin \Delta\phi_g.$$



Changing the neutron wavelengths one can change the **sign and value** of the deviation parameter from the Bragg condition  $\Delta_g = |\mathbf{K} + \mathbf{g}|^2 - \mathbf{K}^2$ , so the neutrons will concentrate on the nuclear planes or between them (on the maxima of nuclear potential ( $\Delta_g < 0$ , red colour), or on its minima ( $\Delta_g > 0$ , blue colour)

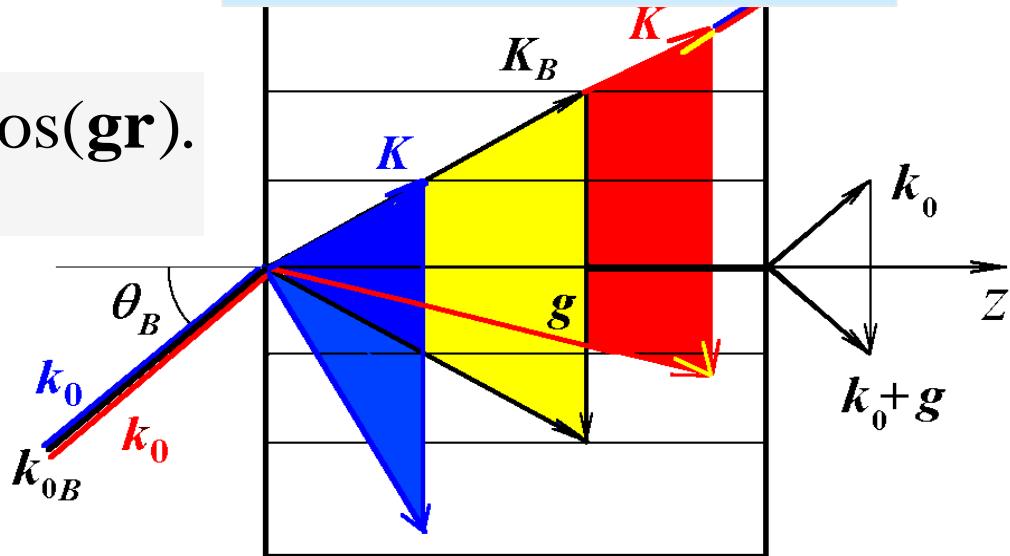
$$V_{per}^N(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{g \neq 0} V_g^N e^{i\mathbf{gr}} = \sum_{g>0} 2v_g^N \cos(\mathbf{gr}).$$

$$|\psi|^2 = 1 - \sum_g \frac{2v_g^N}{\Delta_g^\varepsilon} \cos \mathbf{gr}$$

For noncentrosymmetric crystal “electric planes” are shifted relatively to the “nuclear” ones, and a strong electric field appears, acting on neutron

$$V_{periodic}^E(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{g \neq 0} V_g^E e^{i\mathbf{gr}} = \sum_{g>0} 2v_g^E \cos(\mathbf{gr} + \Delta\phi_g).$$

Neutron wavelength is varying



$$\begin{aligned} & |K+g| < K \\ & |K_B+g| = K_B \\ & |K+g| > K \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{E}_{sum} = \sum_g \frac{2v_g^N}{\Delta_g^\varepsilon} v_g^E \mathbf{g} \sin(\Delta\phi_g)$$

To increase the field we should use much more monochromatic neutrons and minimal deviation parameters

### Essence of experiment

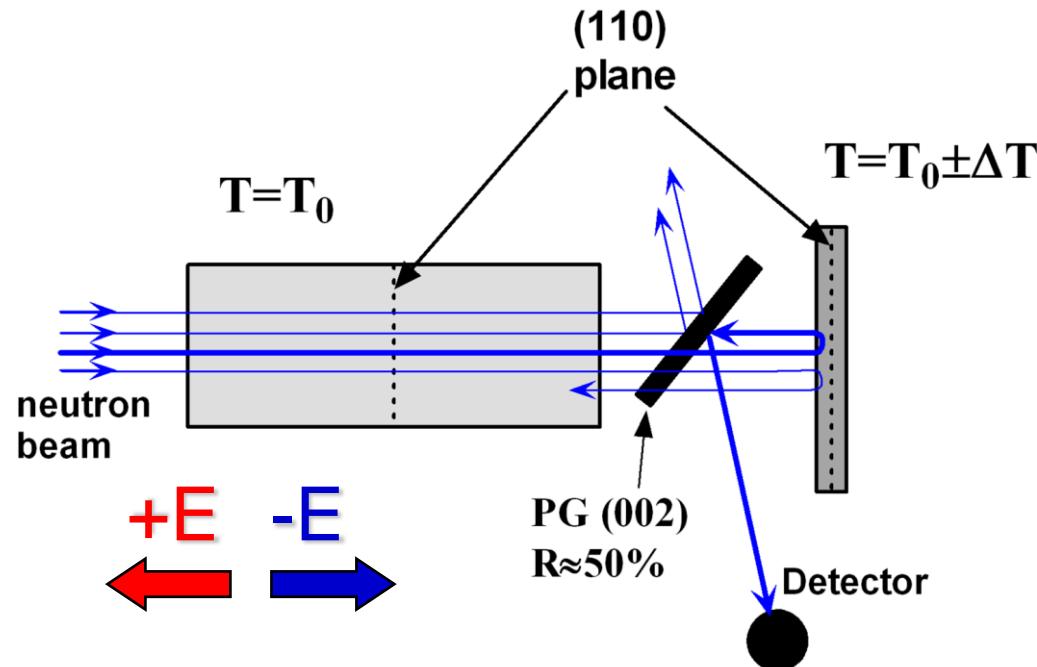
The neutrons with  $\lambda_B = 2d_0 \sin \theta_B$  will completely reflect from the crystal. For  $\theta_B \approx \pi/2 \rightarrow \lambda_B \approx 2d_0 [1 - (\pi/2 - \theta_B)^2]$

Only the neutrons with  $\lambda > \lambda_B$  and  $\lambda < \lambda_B$  can pass through the crystal, and they will move in electric field  $-E$  and  $+E$  correspondingly.

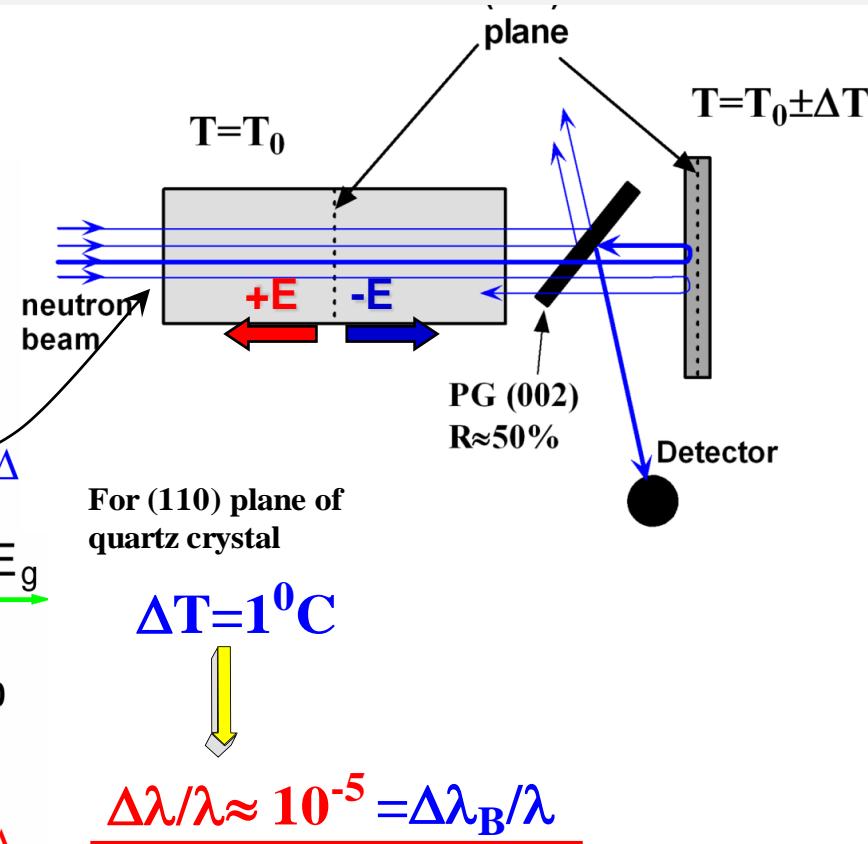
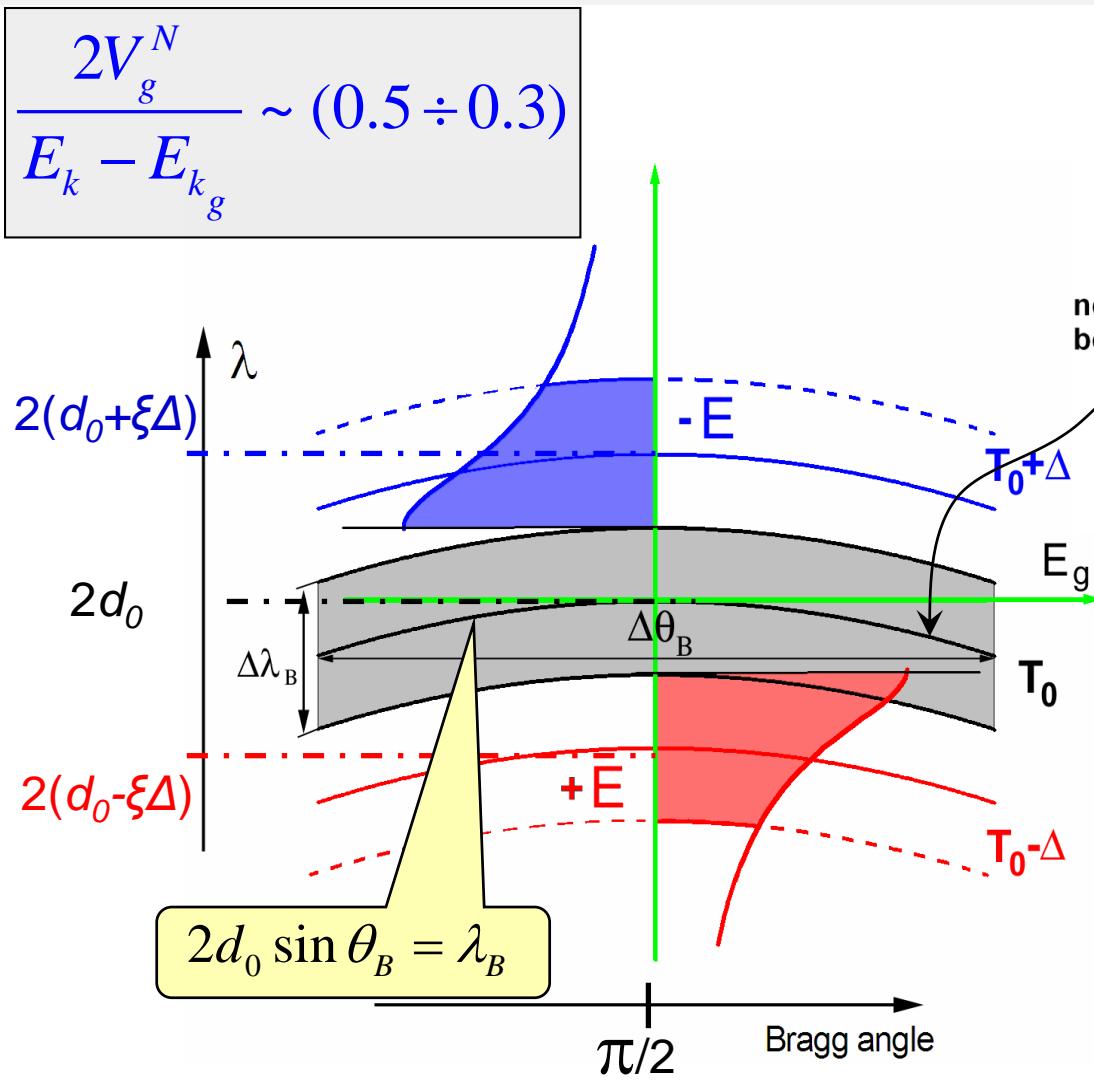
We can select this passed neutrons with definite energy by the second crystal - reflector (analyzer) with the controlled interplanar spacing

Changing  $d$  of analyzer (by heating or cooling) one can control electric field acting on neutron

$$\frac{2V_g^N}{E_k - E_{kg}} \sim (0.5 \div 0.3)$$



Changing  $d$  of a crystal-analyzer we can select the neutrons passed the crystal with the given energy and so under the given electric field (without monochromatization of the incident beam)



For  $\pi/2$  reflection  
 $E \parallel v_n$  and  
 $H_s \sim [E \times v_n] \approx 0$

$$\theta_B = \frac{\pi}{2} \pm \Delta\theta,$$

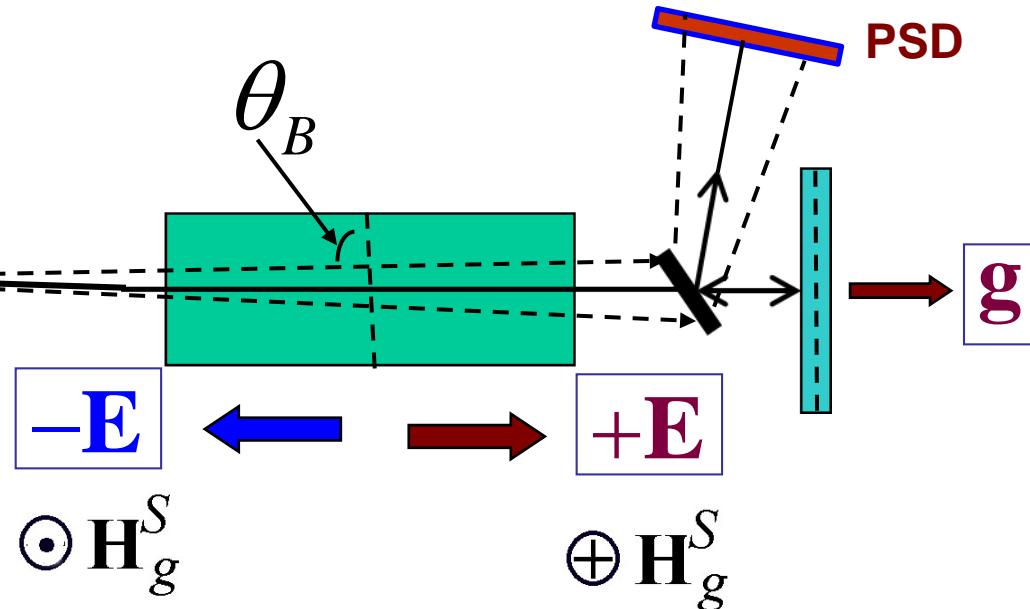
$$\mathbf{H}^S = \frac{1}{c} [\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{v}]$$

$$H^S = \pm \frac{Ev}{c} \sin \Delta\theta_B$$

$\mathbf{S}$

Due to EDM spin  
is rotating around

$$\mathbf{E} \propto \mathbf{g}.$$



Due to  $\mu$  – around

$$\mathbf{H}^S \propto \mathbf{g} \times \mathbf{v}, .$$

$$\varphi_D = \frac{Ed_n}{\hbar} \frac{L}{v_{\perp}}.$$

$$v_{\parallel} = v \sin \Delta\theta_B,$$

$$v_{\perp} = v \cos \Delta\theta_B$$

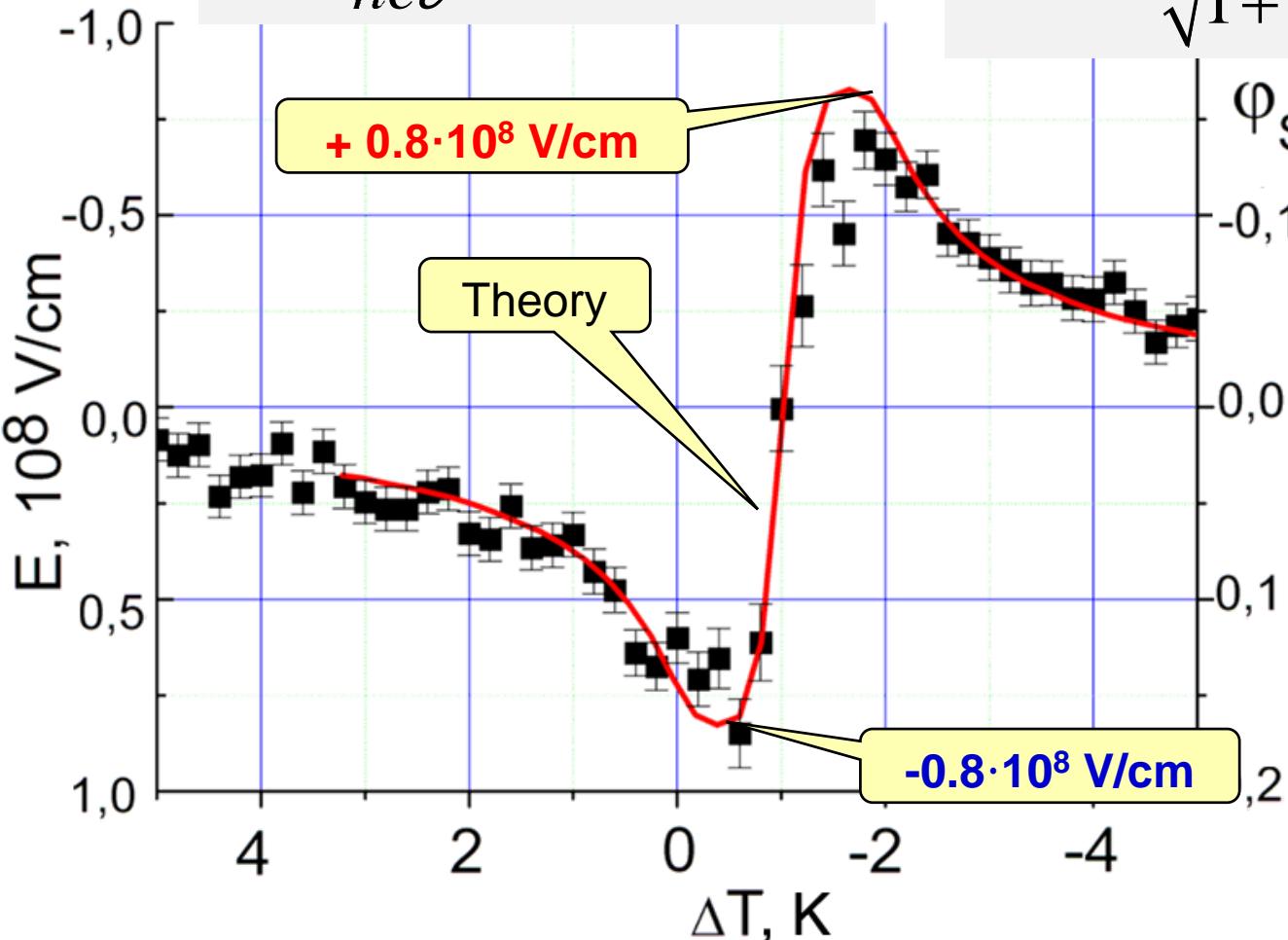
$$\varphi_S = \frac{E\mu}{\hbar} \cdot \frac{v_{\parallel}}{c} \cdot \frac{L}{v_{\perp}} \propto \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_B \xrightarrow{\theta_B \rightarrow \pi/2} 0$$

# Electric field measurement, using Schwinger interaction

$$\varphi_S = \frac{2}{\hbar c v} \mu \sigma \cdot [\mathbf{E} \times \mathbf{v}] L_c;$$

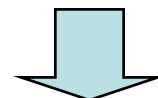
$$E = E_g \frac{\Delta_B}{\sqrt{1 + \Delta_B^2}}$$

In 2-wave approx.



quartz (110) plane  
 $L_c = 14$  cm  
Bragg angle  $\approx 86^\circ$

Variation of the  
 $\Delta T$  by  $\pm 1$ K



$E \approx \pm 10^8$  V/cm

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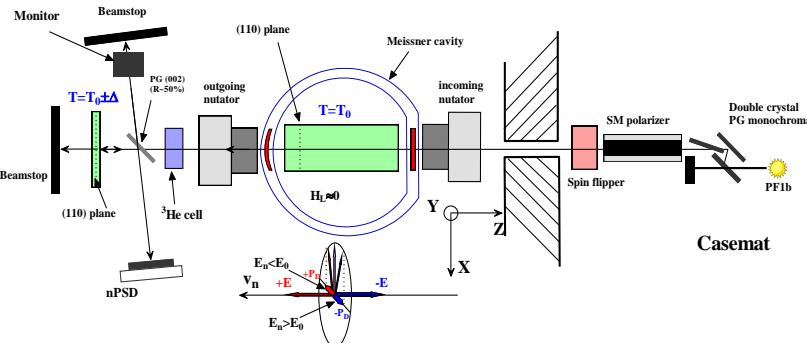
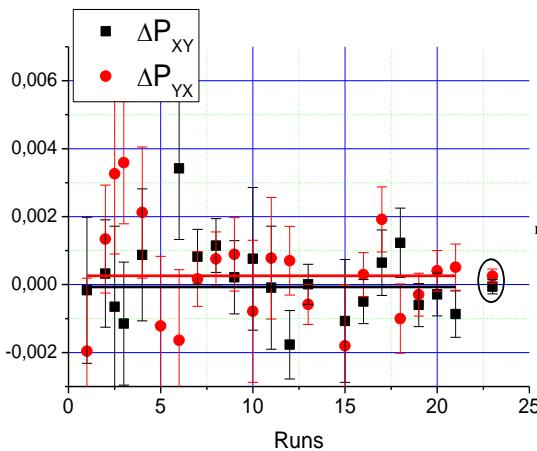
# nEDM test experiment (PNPI-ILL)

1. Field value coincide with the theory  $E = (0.7 \pm 0.1) \cdot 10^8$  V/cm for (110) quartz plane
2. The statistical sensitivity was  $\sim 1.6 \cdot 10^{-23}$  e·cm/day.

$$d_n = (2.5 \pm 6.5^{stat} \pm 5.5^{syst}) \cdot 10^{-24} e \cdot cm.$$

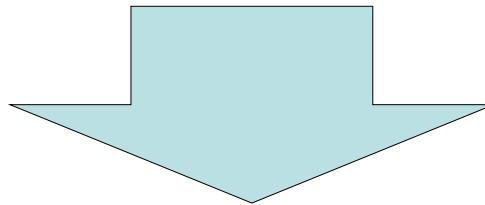
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3. The sensitivity can be improved by a factor of 65 and reach about  $2.5 \cdot 10^{-25}$  e cm/day for the full scale experiment, mainly by increasing the divergence acceptance of the installation, the beam size, and the crystal length.



# Sensitivity for the quartz crystal

For the  $100 \times 100 \times 500 \text{ mm}^3$  (110) quartz plane  
it can be  $2 \cdot 10^{-26} \text{ e cm}$  per 100 day



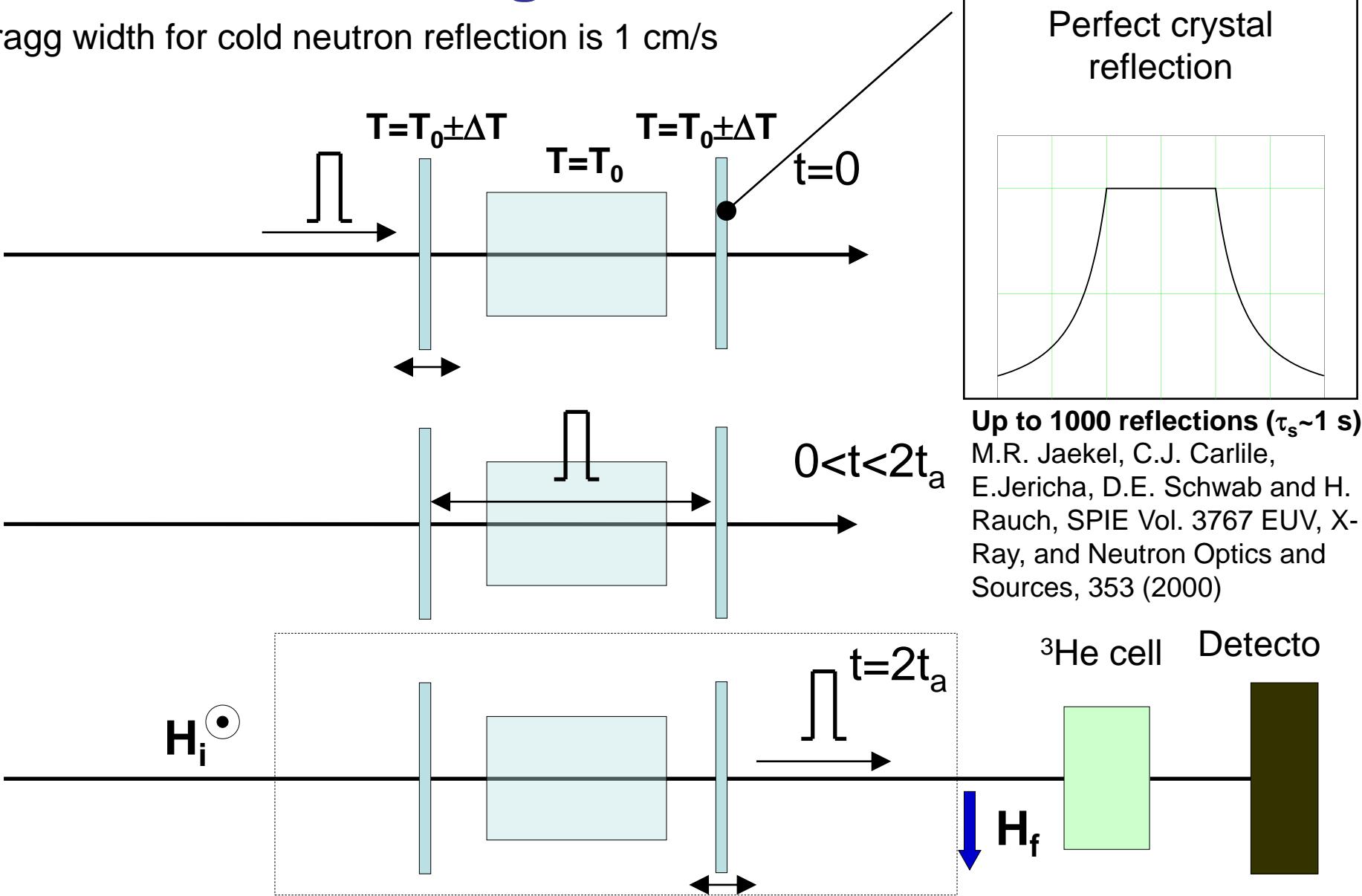
How to improve this sensitivity?

# To improve the sensitivity we need new NCS crystal

- Low neutron absorption
- No center of symmetry
- Elements with large Z to increase electric field
- Perfect crystal ( $\Delta d/d <$  Bragg width ( $\sim 10^{-5}$ ))
- Large crystal  $>100 \times 100 \times 100 \text{ mm}^3$  or
- Multiple passage through thin crystal  
**(storage variant)**

# Storage variant

Bragg width for cold neutron reflection is 1 cm/s



# Statistical sensitivity estimation

	$E_g$ , $10^8 \text{ V/cm}$	$\tau$ , ms	Count rate	$K_{inp}$	$\sigma_d$ , $10^{-25} \text{ e}\cdot\text{cm}$ per day
$\alpha$ -quartz (110) in-flight	2.0	0.6 (L=50cm we have)	$10^4 \text{ n/s}$ (ILL PF1b)		2-3
$\text{Bi}_{12}\text{SiO}_{20}$ (444) Storage	4.65	8	$10^3 \text{ n/s}$ (ESS, LP)	10	0,2
			$500 \text{ n/s}$ (J-PARK, SP)	7	0,3
$\text{Bi}_{12}\text{GeO}_{20}$ (444) Storage	4,8	2	$10^3 \text{ n/s}$ (ESS, LP)	2,5	0,7
			$500 \text{ n/s}$ (J-PARK, SP)	1,8	1
Isotope crystal $\text{Bi}_{12}^{76}\text{GeO}_{20}$ Storage	4,8	~20 (50 Hz)	~ $10^3 \text{ n/s}$	~20	~0.1

# Conclusion

The absence of the center of symmetry in crystal

- Results in arising a series of new spin effect in neutron optics  
(Pendelosung shift, spin rotation, depolarization, ... )

AND

- Opens a new field in the studying of a symmetry fundamental interactions:
  - T violation and nEDM. Ultimate sensitivity to nEDM can be better than **10<sup>-27</sup> e·cm** for modern neutron fluxes and special crystals
  - Studying the CP-violating forces at short ranges

**Thank you  
for attention !**

# Summary of the systematic

Residual magnetic field

Value

$$H_r \sim 10^{-4} \text{ Gs}$$

$$\Delta H_r \sim 10^{-5} \text{ Gs / hour}$$

3D polarization analysis

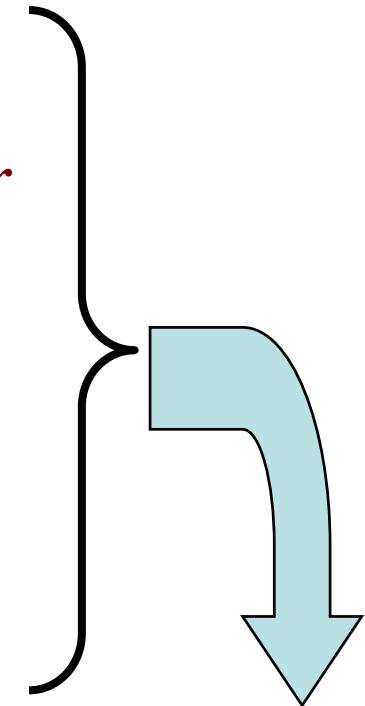
$$\delta_y \sim 10^{-3} \text{ rad}$$

The crystals alignment

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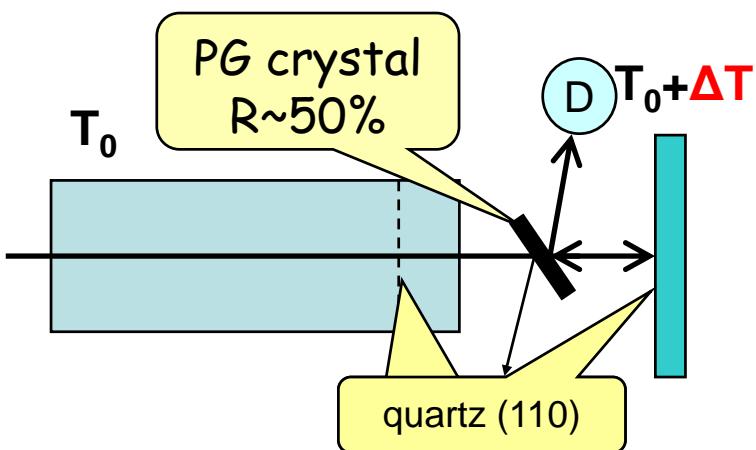
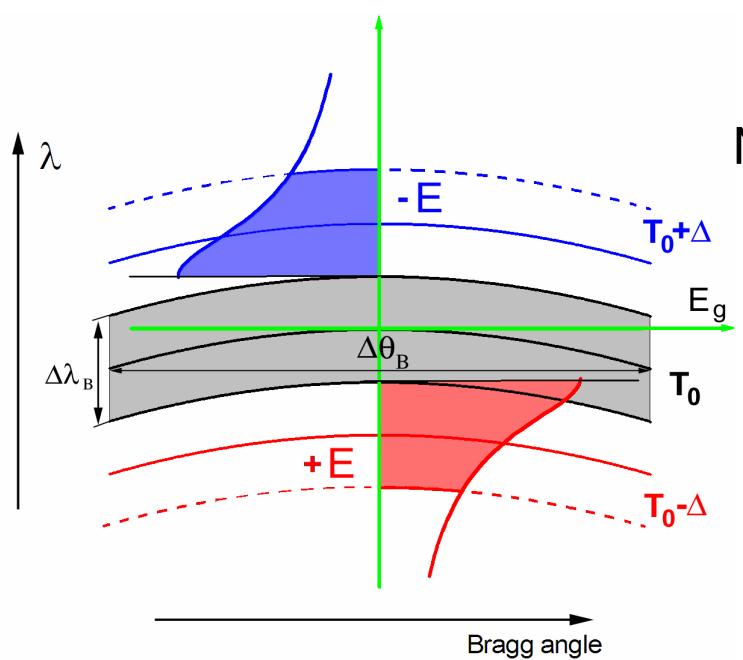
$$\begin{array}{l} 0.02^\circ \\ \sim \\ 0.01^\circ \text{C} \end{array}$$

The  $\Delta T^0$  control

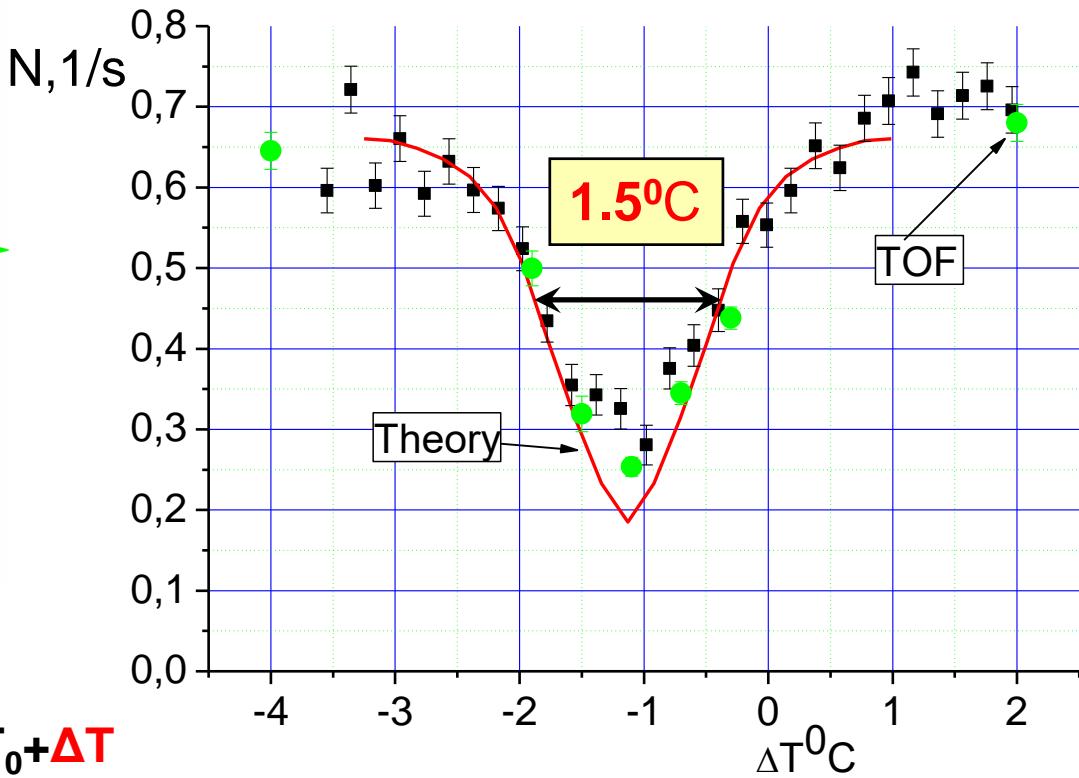


$$\sigma_d < 6 \cdot 10^{-27} e \cdot cm$$

# Experimental test

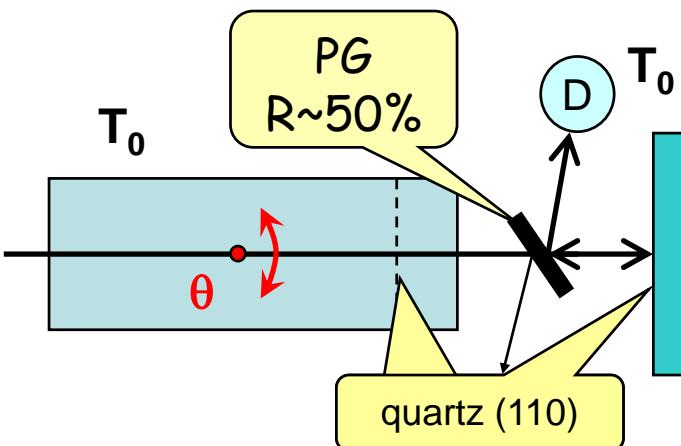
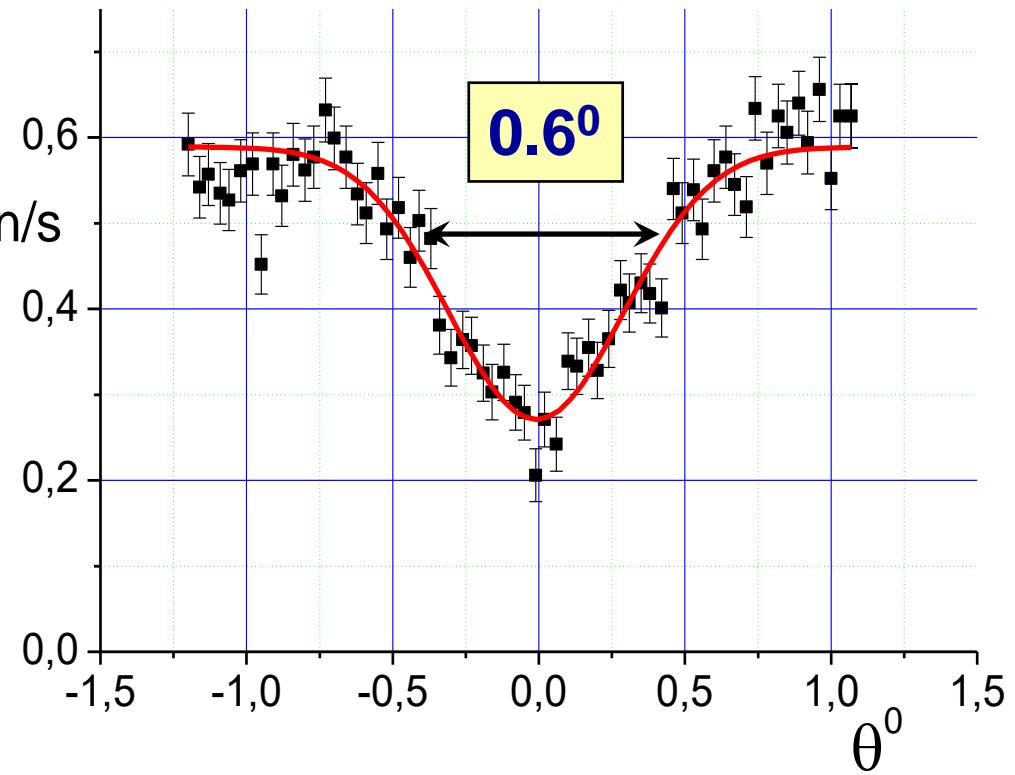
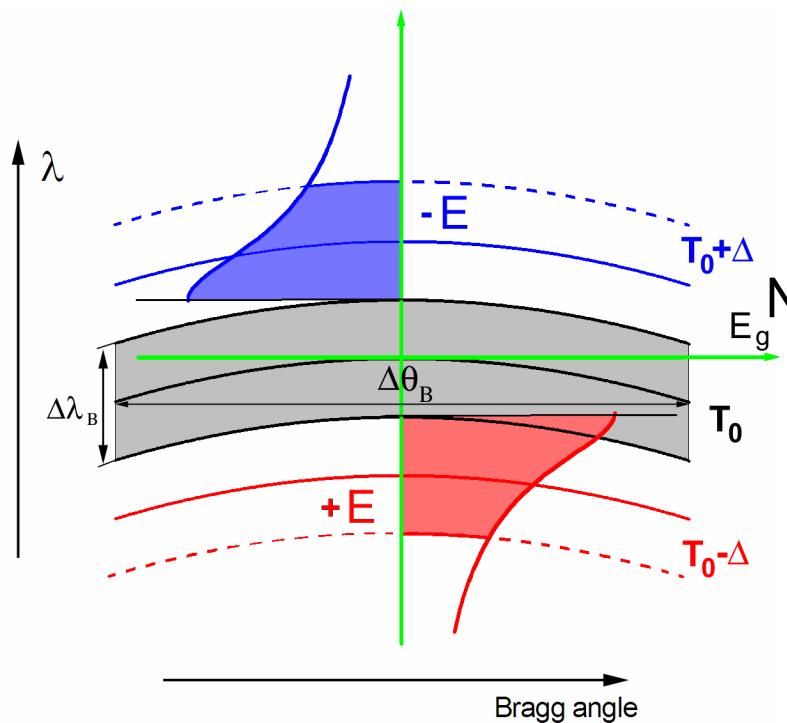


Two crystal line ( $\Delta T$ )



We can control the deviation parameter by the temperature of crystal-analiser.

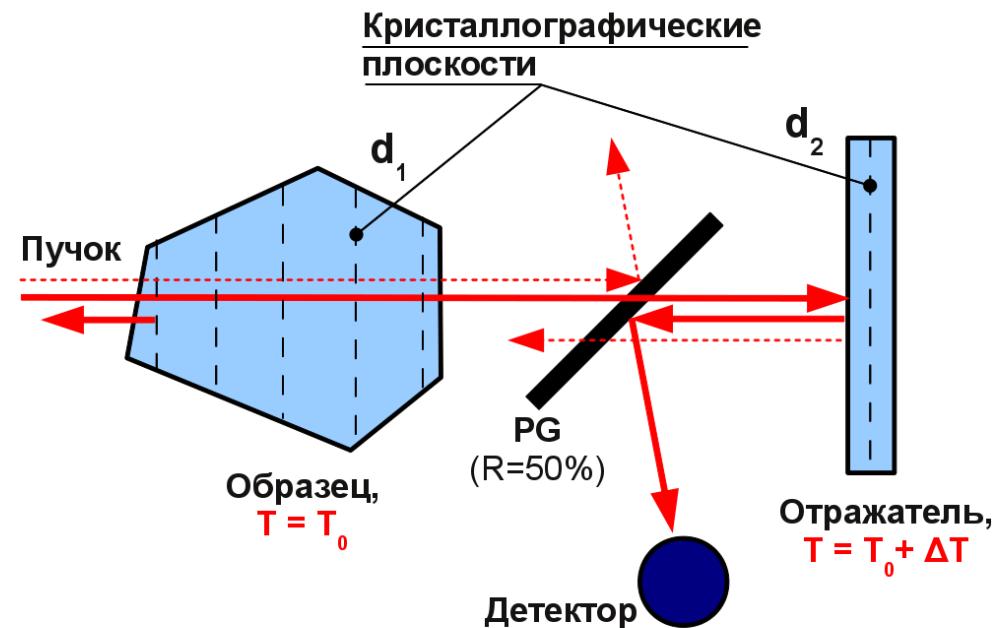
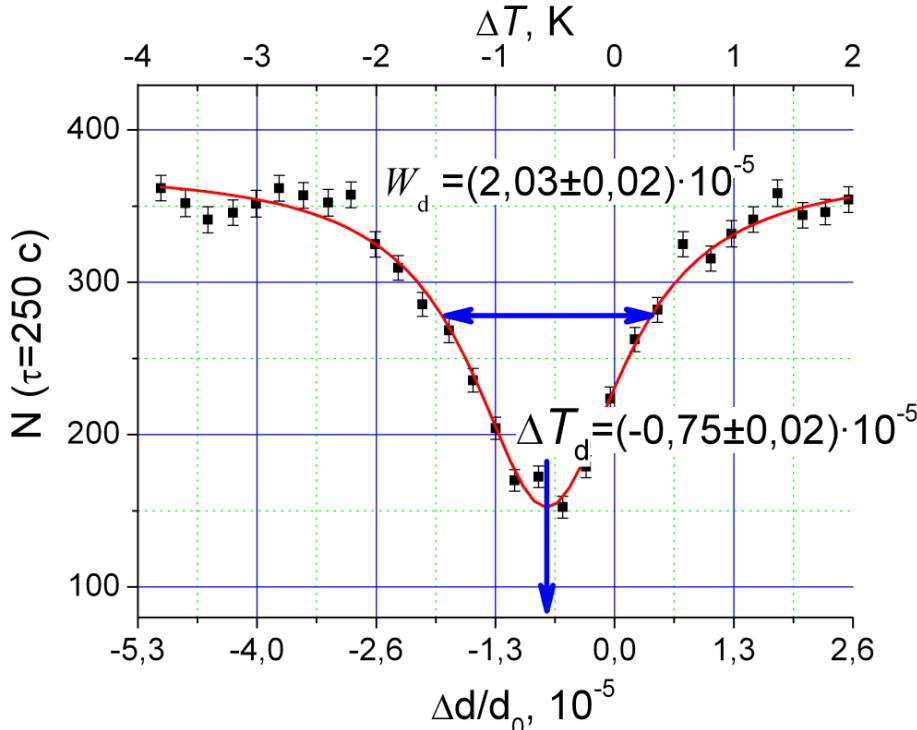
## Two crystal line (angular)



For Bragg angles  $\sim 45^\circ$  the angular Bragg width  $\sim 0.0005^\circ$

So we can increase the EDM effect by using assembled crystal (from a series of the crystals).

# Новый метод объемного контроля деформации кристалла

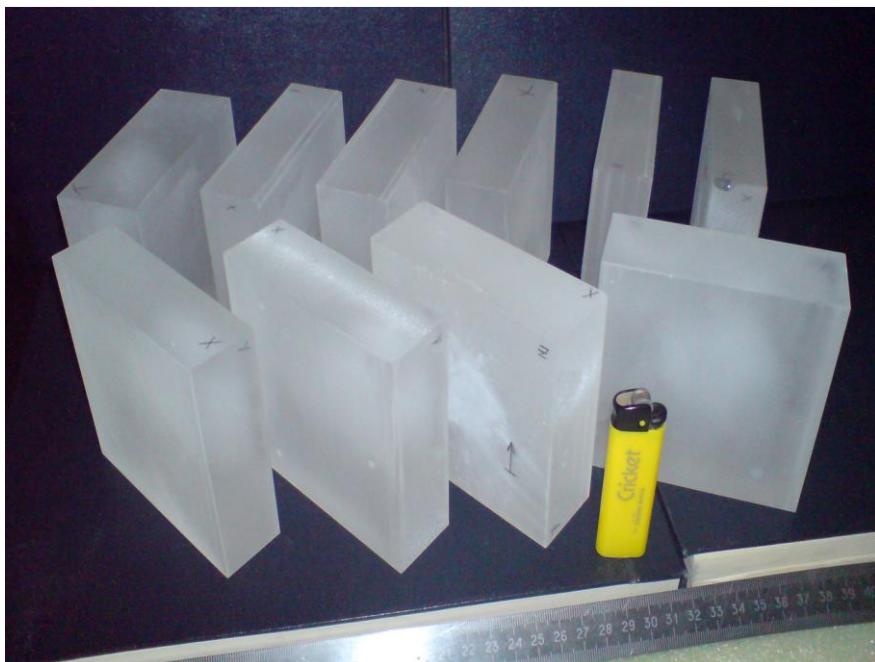


## Новый метод относительного измерения межплоскостных расстояний

моноцирсталлов, основанный на использовании дифракции нейтронов под углом Брэгга  $\sim 90^\circ$ , обладающий следующими достоинствами:

- Относительная точность измерения может превосходить  $\Delta d/d \sim 10^{-7}$ .
- Тестирование по **всему объему кристалла**. Размер исследуемого кристалла ограничен длиной поглощения нейтрана (**для кварца  $\sim 50$  см**).
- **Не требуется предварительная подготовка кристалла**. Можно исследовать образцы любой формы и огранки.
- **Не требуется высокая точность предварительной угловой юстировки кристаллов.**

# Результаты теста первой партии кристаллов (2008) из Александрова для дифракционного ЭДМ-эксперимента



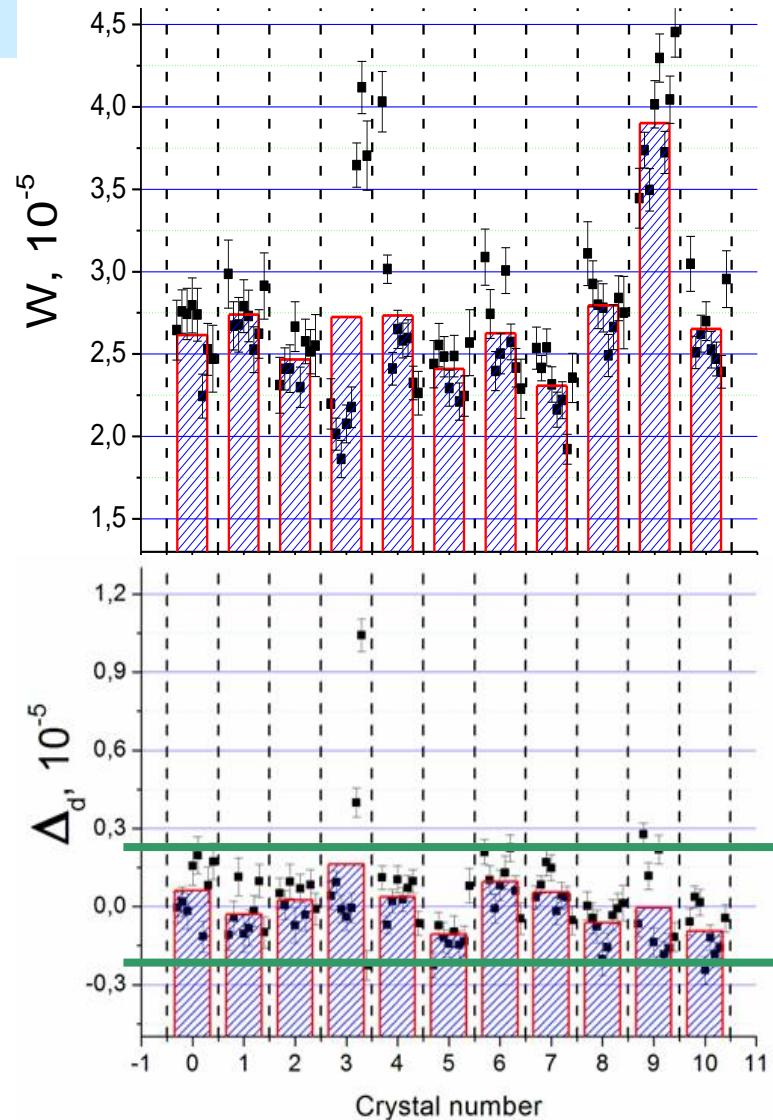
Суммарный размер кристаллов  
 $105 \times 100 \times 500 \text{ мм}^3$  (15 шт. по  $35 \times 100 \times 100$ )

Ожидаемая чувствительность

$\sim 2 \cdot 10^{-25} \text{ е}\cdot\text{см}/\text{сутки}$

разброс межплоскостного расстояния  
протестирован новым методом (патент на  
изобретение №2394228, 03 февраля 2009)

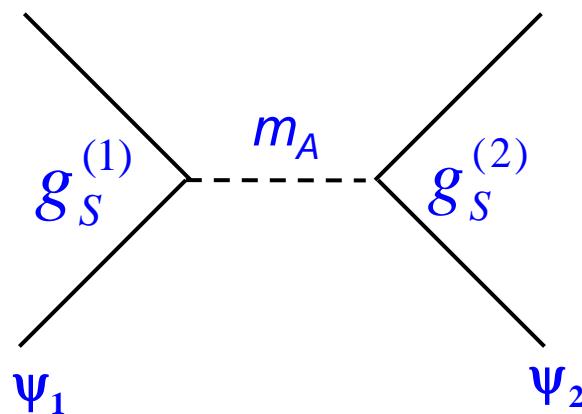
$$\Delta d/d < 3 \cdot 10^{-6}$$



# Axion-like CP violating nucleon-nucleon interaction

A.A. Anselm

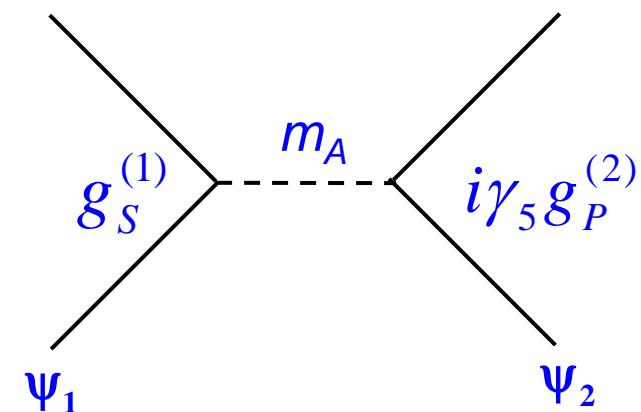
JETP Lett. v.36, N2 (1982)



$$\lambda_A = \hbar/m_A c$$

$$V(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{g_S^{(1)} g_S^{(2)}}{4\pi r} e^{-\frac{r}{\lambda_A}}$$

J.E. Moody and Frank Wilczek  
Phys. Rev. D v.30, N1 (1984)



$$V_{SP}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\hbar^2 g_S^{(1)} g_P^{(2)}}{8\pi m} \frac{(\mathbf{r} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})}{r} \left( \frac{1}{r\lambda} + \frac{1}{r^2} \right) e^{-r/\lambda}.$$

Add-ons to gravity

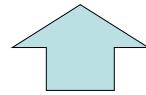
Pseudomagnetic interaction

g-harmonics of CP-odd pseudomagnetic N-N interaction, which arises due to exchange by pseudoscalar axion-like particle

$$V_g^{PS} = - \int_{V=1} V^{PS}(\mathbf{r}) e^{-i\mathbf{gr}} d^3r = -i \frac{\hbar^2 g_S g_P}{2mV_c} \frac{\lambda^2(\sigma\mathbf{g})}{1+g^2\lambda^2},$$

The same situation as for neutron EDM interaction

$$V_g^{PS} = -i\varphi_g^H(\mathbf{g} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})$$



Is determined by distribution of nuclear mass number in crystal

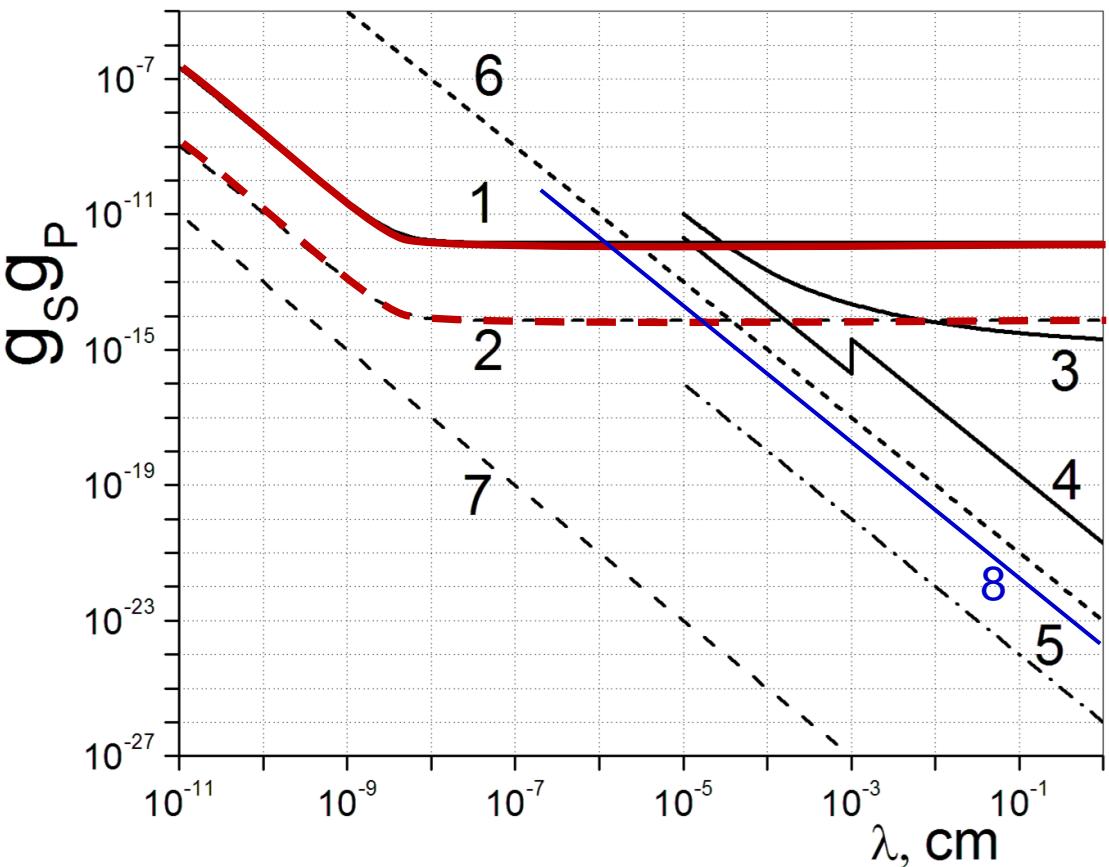
$$V_g^{EDM} = i \cdot \nu_g^E d_n(\mathbf{g} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma})$$



Is determined by distribution of electric charge in crystal

We should measure the effects for two different crystallographic planes to separate these phenomenon.

# Constraint on the $(g_s g_p; \lambda)$ from the test experiment



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S.Baessler, V.V.Nesvizhevsky, K.V.Protasov,  
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A.P. Serebrov, ArXiv:0902.1056

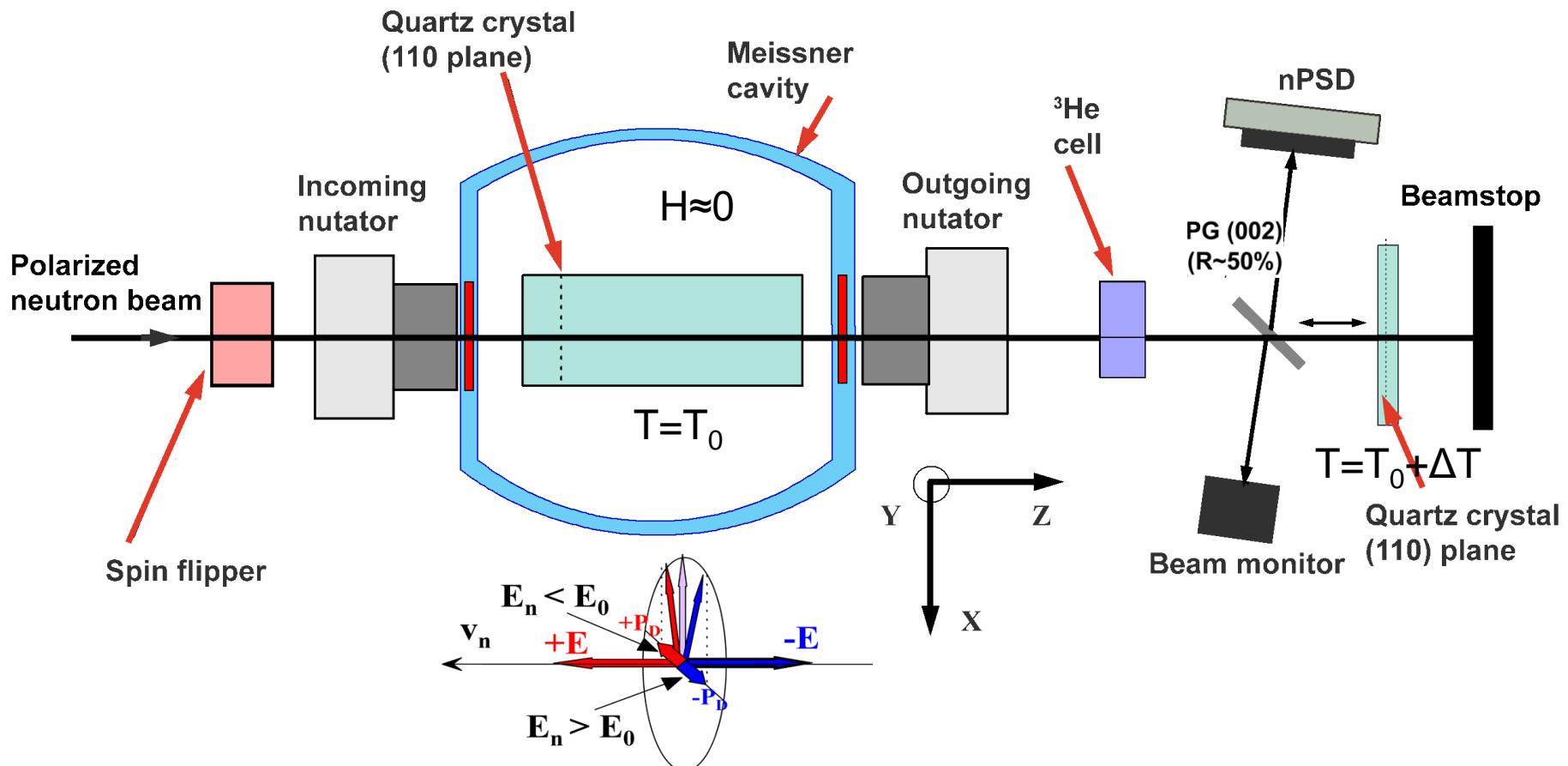
**(5) proposal o. Zimmer, ArXiv:0810.3215**

**(6) and (7) are the predictions of axion model with  $\theta \sim 1$  and  $\theta \sim 10^{-10}$**

**(8)  $^3\text{He}$  polarization, M. Guigue, D. Jullien, A. K. Petukhov and G. Pignol, Phys.Rev. D92 (2015), 114001**

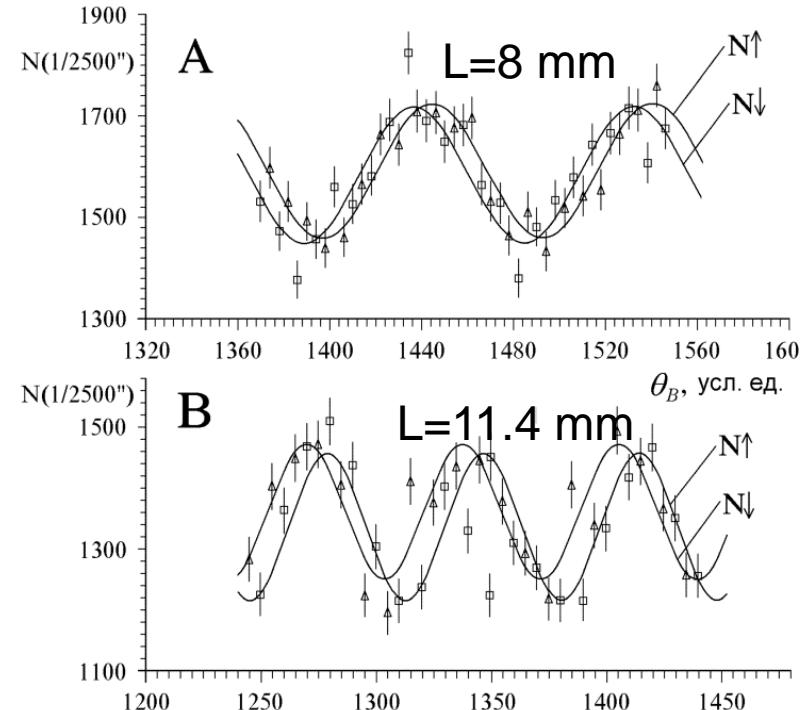
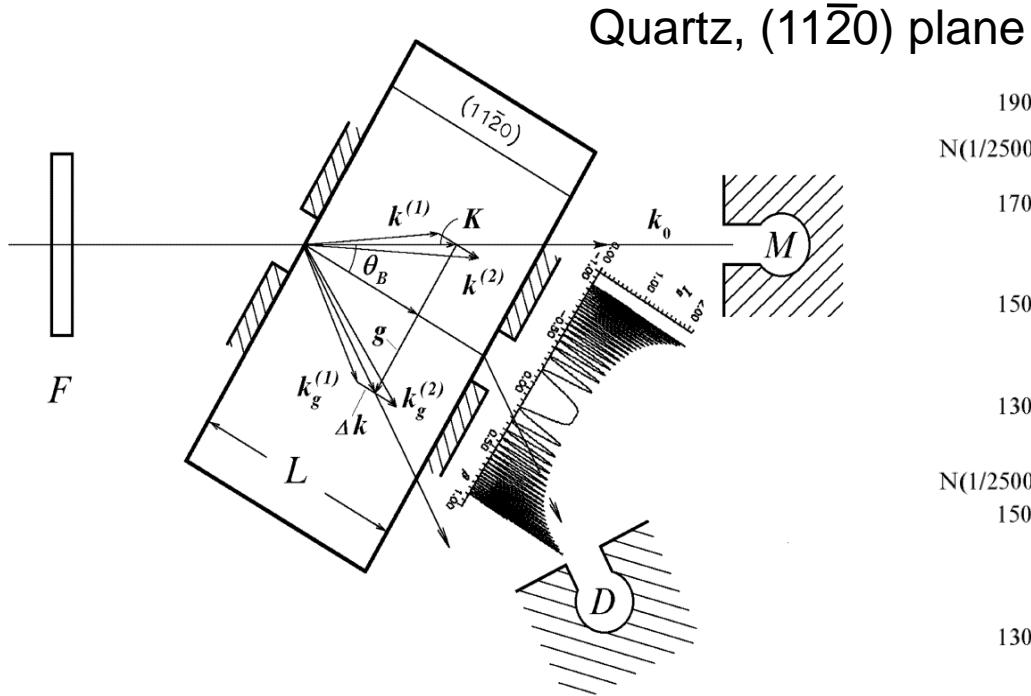
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# nEDM search test experiment



V.V. Fedorov et al, Physics Letters B 694 (2010) 22

# First measurement of electric field



**First measurement of the electric field  
of noncentrosymmetric crystal (quartz)**

$$E_{(11\bar{2}0)} = 2.1 \pm 0.12(0.23) \cdot 10^8 \text{ V/cm}$$