

Theoretical issues in parity and time-reversal violation in atoms

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Atomic parity violation (APV)

- APV dominated by Z-boson exchange between electrons and nucleons

$$H = \frac{G}{\sqrt{2}} [C_{1p} \bar{e} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 e \bar{p} \gamma^\mu p + C_{1n} \bar{e} \gamma_\mu \gamma_5 e \bar{n} \gamma^\mu n]$$



Standard model tree-level couplings: $C_{1p} = \frac{1}{2}(1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W)$; $C_{1n} = -\frac{1}{2}$

- In atom with Z protons and N neutrons obtain effective Hamiltonian parametrized by “nuclear weak charge” Q_W

$$h_{PV} = \frac{G}{2\sqrt{2}} Q_W \rho(r) \gamma_5$$

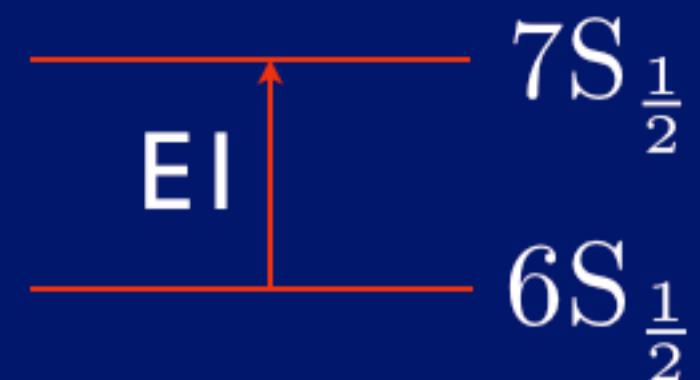
$$Q_W = 2(NC_{1n} + ZC_{1p}) \approx -N + Z(1 - 4 \sin^2 \theta_W) \approx -N$$

- APV amplitude $E_{PV} \propto Z^3$ [Bouchiat,Bouchiat]

Status

- Best measurement for cesium [Boulder '97]

$$-Im(E_{PV})/\beta = 1.5935(1 \pm 0.35\%) \text{ mV/cm}$$



- Atomic theory required for determination of E_{PV} :

$$E_{PV}(6S \rightarrow 7S) = \sum_n \left[\frac{\langle 7S | H_{PV} | nP \rangle \langle nP | D | 6S \rangle}{E_{7S} - E_{nP}} + \frac{\langle 7S | D | nP \rangle \langle nP | H_{PV} | 6S \rangle}{E_{6S} - E_{nP}} \right] = \xi Q_W$$

Atomic theory	$\delta E_{PV}/E_{PV}$	$Q_W - Q_W^{SM}$	Ref.
1% calculations		1.2σ	Dzuba et al. '89; Blundell et al. '90
Reinterpretation 1% \rightarrow 0.4%		2.5σ	Bennett & Wieman '99
Breit interaction	-0.6%		Derevianko '00
Vacuum polarization	+0.4%		Johnson et al. '01; Milstein & Sushkov '02
Neutron distribution	-0.2%		Derevianko '02
0.5% calculations		2.1σ	Dzuba, Flambaum, Ginges '02
Self-energy and vertex radiative corrections	-0.7%		Kuchiev & Flambaum '02; Milstein et al. '02; Sapirstein et al. '03; Shabaev et al. '05; Flambaum & Ginges '05
Total		1.1σ	

Method for atomic many-body calculations

[Dzuba, Flambaum, Sushkov]

- Starting point: relativistic Hartree-Fock, $(\alpha \cdot \mathbf{p} + \beta m + V_{HF})\varphi = \epsilon\varphi$

- Include correlation corrections through “correlation potential”,

$$V_{HF} \rightarrow V_{HF} + \Sigma. \text{ In lowest order, } \Sigma =$$



Three classes of diagrams included into Σ to all orders:

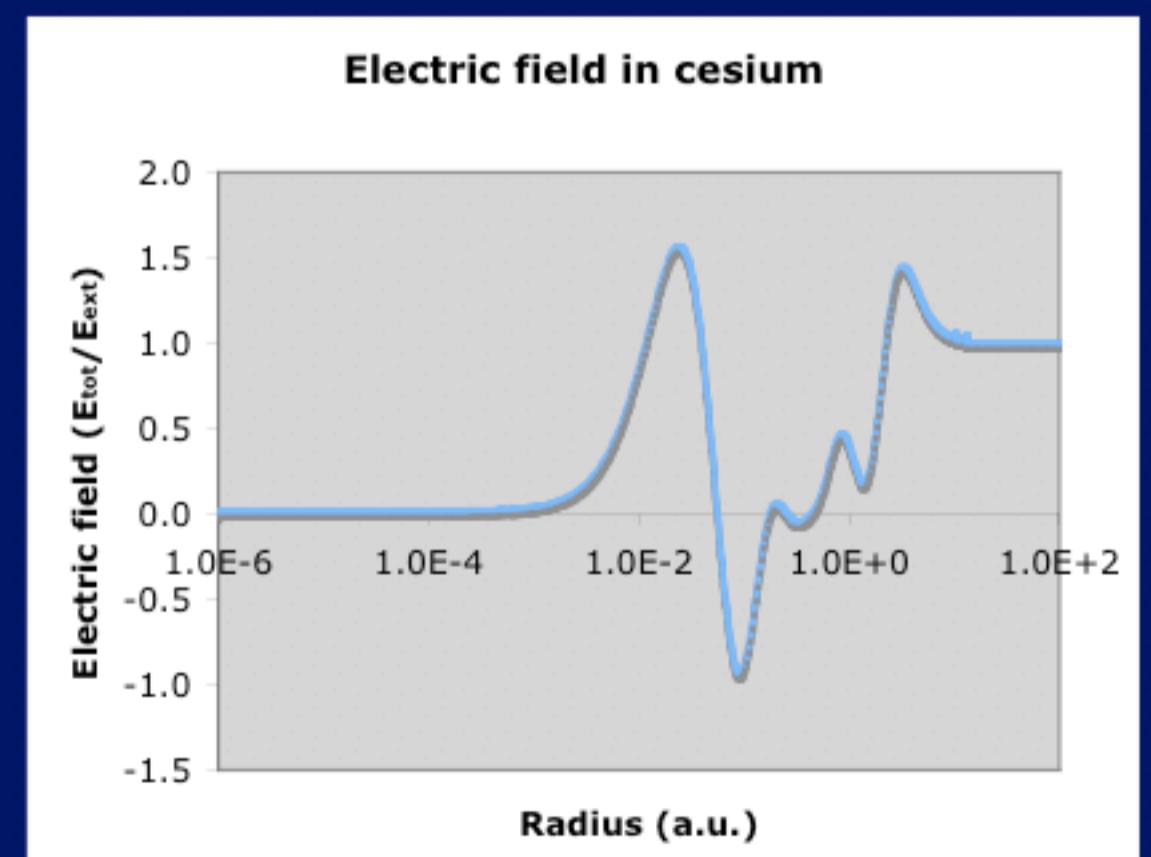
1. electron-electron screening



2. hole-particle interaction



3. nonlinear-in- Σ contributions

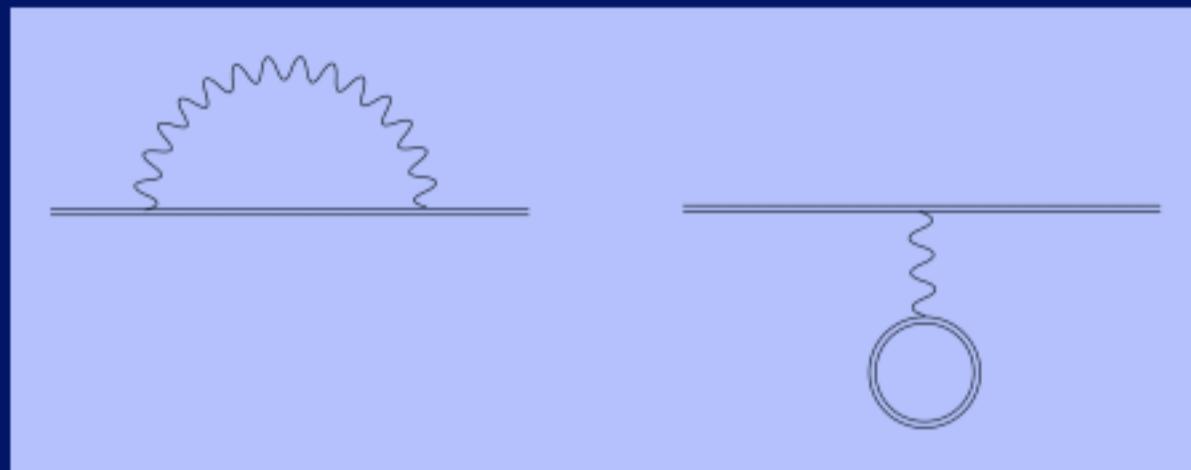


Inclusion of radiative corrections

[Flambaum, Ginges]

- Radiative potential L defined s.t.

$$\delta E_n = \langle n | L(r, r', E) | n \rangle$$



Shifts in neutral atoms:

- Lamb shift arises due to interactions at small distances where electrons are unscreened
- Energies of valence electrons in neutral atoms $E \sim 10^{-5} mc^2$

\Rightarrow valence electron wave functions are proportional to Coulomb
wave functions with high n :

$$\langle \psi | L | \psi \rangle_{\text{neutral}} = \langle \psi | L | \psi \rangle_{\text{H-like}} \frac{\rho(0)_{\text{neutral}}}{\rho(0)_{\text{H-like}}}$$

- Use approximate local potential V_{rad} fitted to Lamb shifts for high states of H-like ions Z

Energies and E1 amplitudes for cesium

Add radiative potential to atomic procedures, $V_{HF} + V_{\text{rad}}$

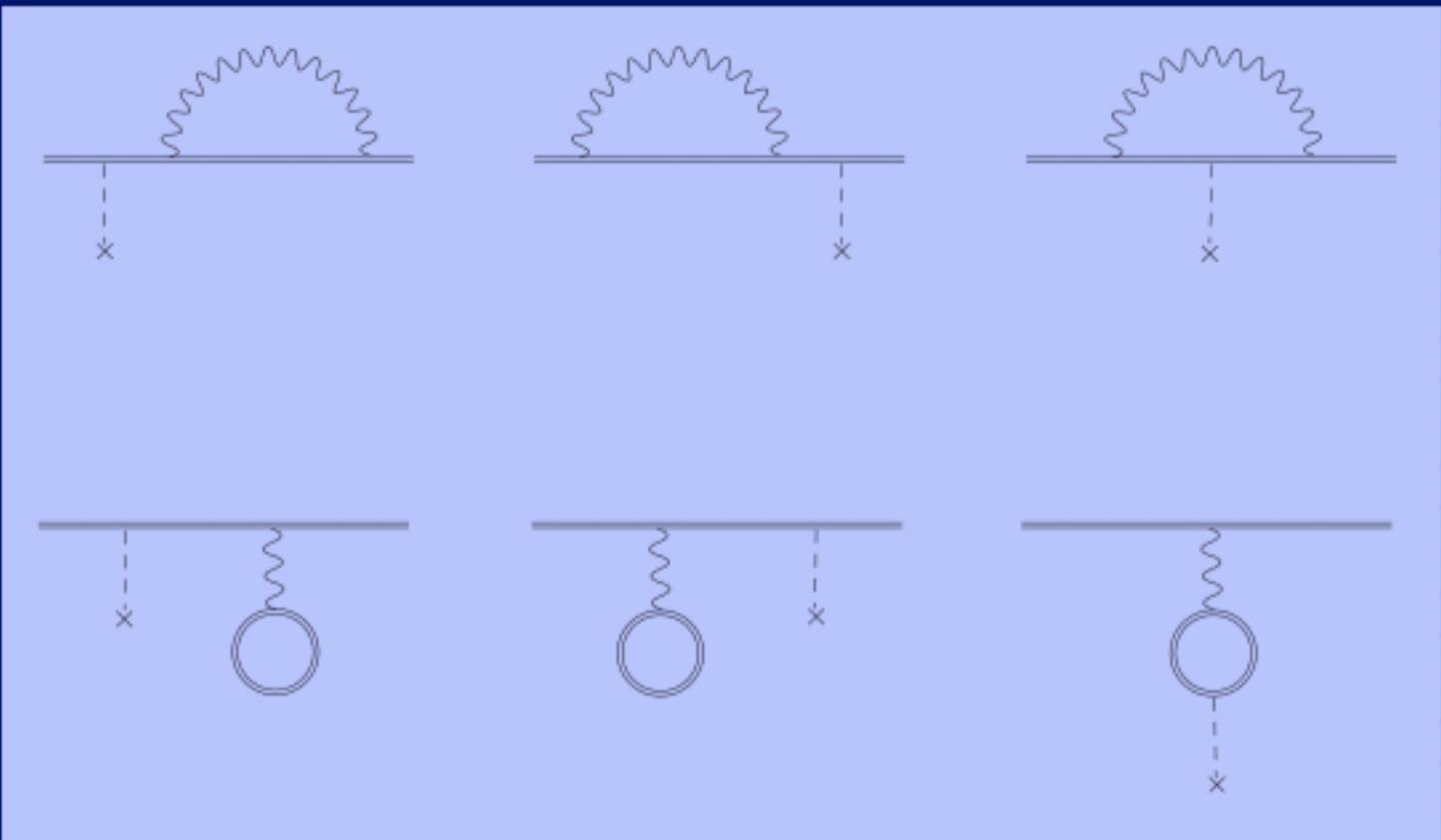
Result for Cs 6S
Lamb shift (cm^{-1})

Hartree-Fock	+core relaxation	+correlations	Labzowsky et al.'99	Sapirstein & Cheng
15.5	15.9	17.6	15-27	13-23

Correction to E_{PV} : -0.34%

Radiative potential gives largest contributions to E1 amplitude! Other (vertex, etc.) contributions are about Z^2 times smaller neutral atoms!

$$\text{Result } R \text{ for Cs 6S-6P}, \frac{E1}{E1_0} = 1 + \frac{\alpha}{\pi} R$$



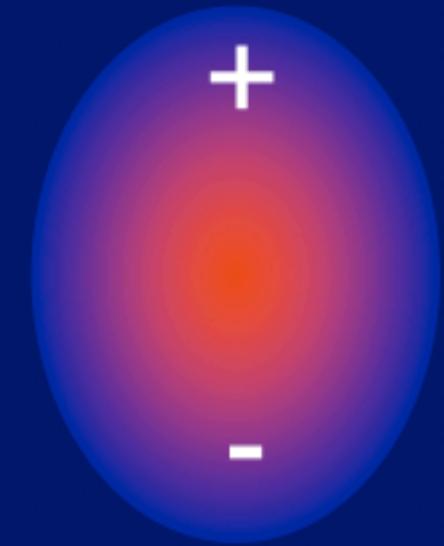
Hartree-Fock	+core polarization	+correlations	Sapirstein & Cheng
0.266	0.286	0.265	0.261

Correction to E_{PV} : +0.43%

Atomic electric dipole moments (EDMs)

- EDMs violate parity (P) and time-reversal (T)

$$\vec{d} \equiv \vec{r} \propto \vec{J}$$
- T-violation \equiv CP-violation by CPT theorem
- Not enough standard model CP-violation to generate matter-antimatter asymmetry of universe!
- EDMs sensitive to new physics, SM EDMs suppressed



e.g., electron EDM

Best limit (90% c.l.) [Berkeley '02]

$$|d_e| < 1.6 \times 10^{-27} \text{ e cm}$$

[Commins]

Theory	d_e (e cm)
Std. Mdl.	$< 10^{-38}$
SUSY	$10^{-28} - 10^{-25}$
Multi-Higgs	$10^{-28} - 10^{-26}$
Left-right	$10^{-28} - 10^{-26}$

- Atomic EDMs $d_{\text{atom}} \propto Z^2, Z^3$ [Sandars]

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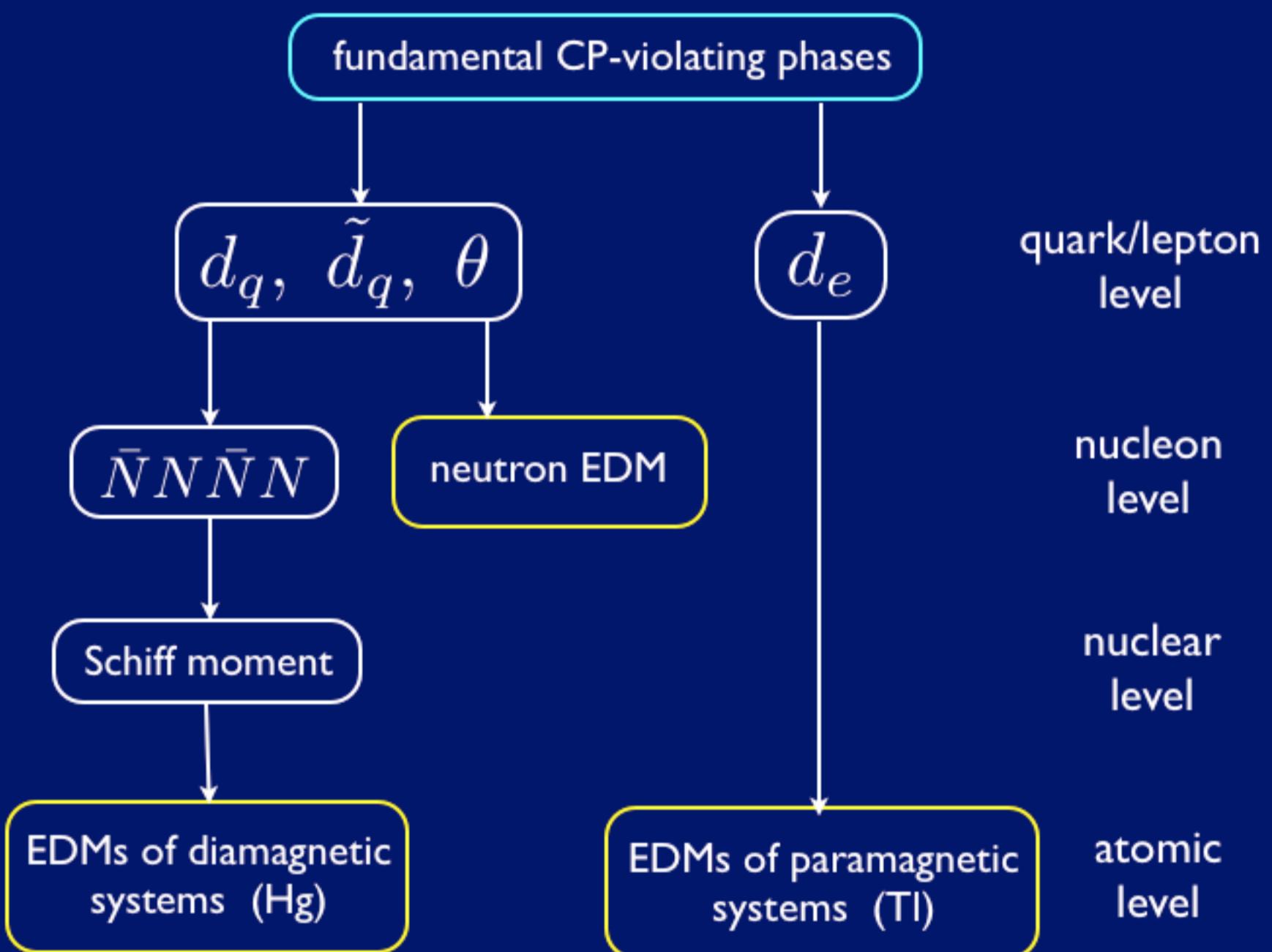
Best limits

$|d(^{199}\text{Hg})| < 2.1 \times 10^{-28} e\text{ cm}$
 (95% c.l., Seattle '01)

$|d(^{205}\text{Tl})| < 9.6 \times 10^{-25} e\text{ cm}$
 (90% c.l., Berkeley '02)

$|d(n)| < 2.9 \times 10^{-26} e\text{ cm}$
 (90% c.l., Baker *et al.* '06)

Leading mechanisms for EDM generation



$$\psi = + \text{ (red circle)} + \beta_{PT} \begin{pmatrix} + \\ - \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow |\psi|^2 = \text{ (yellow gradient circle)}$$

Atomic theory and application to radium

Need to calculate:

$$d_{\text{atom}} = 2 \sum_N \frac{\langle 1|D|N\rangle\langle N|H_{PT}|1\rangle}{E_1 - E_N}$$

Configuration for Hg: $[\text{Xe}]4f^{14}5d^{10}6s^2$, Ra: $[\text{Rn}]7s^2$

Calculations for Hg and Ra $d_{\text{atom}}(S)$ performed using two approaches

[Dzuba, Flambaum, Ginges, Kozlov '02]

(1) V^N approximation. TDHF
 (2) V^{N-2} approximation. MBPT+CI+TDHF } precision $\approx 20\%$

$$d(^{225}\text{Ra})/d(^{199}\text{Hg}) \sim \underbrace{3}_{\text{electronic enhancement}} \times \underbrace{10^2 - 10^3}_{\text{nuclear enhancement}}$$

[Dmitriev *et al.*; Dobaczewski & Engel;
 Flambaum & Zelevinsky]

Can also have huge electronic enhancement if measurements performed in metastable state $7s6d\ ^3D_2$, $d \sim 10^5 d(\text{Hg})$

[Flambaum; Flambaum, Dzuba, Ginges]

Semi-empirical fitting can be used to calculate radium spectra $\sim 0.1\%$

[Dzuba, Ginges '05]

Measurements underway at Argonne National Laboratory, USA, and Kernfysisch Versneller Instituut, Netherlands

Future directions

APV

- Full account of QED+MBPT
- Improvement in precision for correlation calculations.
Derevianko aiming for 0.1% in Cs
- Paris group aiming for 0.1% Cs measurement, currently at 2.6%

EDMs

- Measurements underway in atoms, molecules, and solids
- Improvement in limit by 2-3 orders of magnitude will have huge impact on understanding of CP violation