

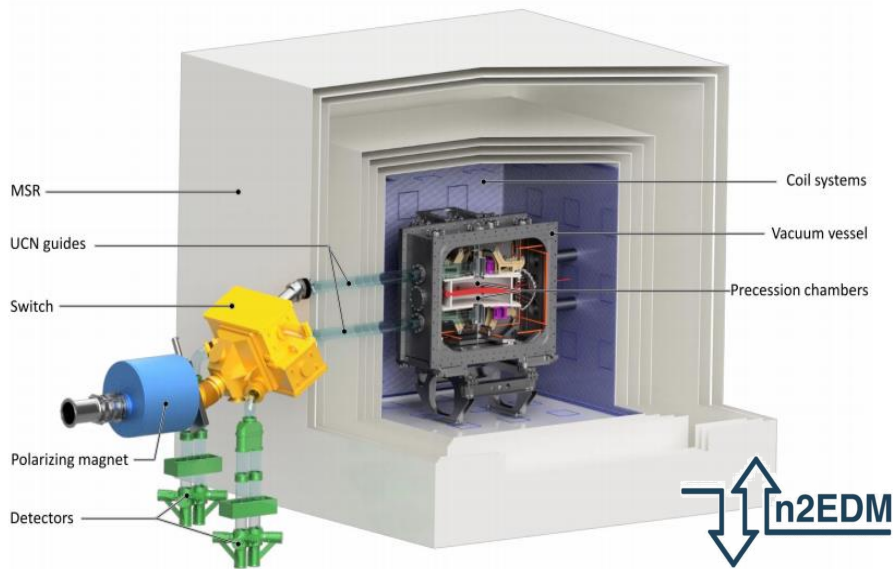
## Commissioning progress

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# The nEDM collaboration

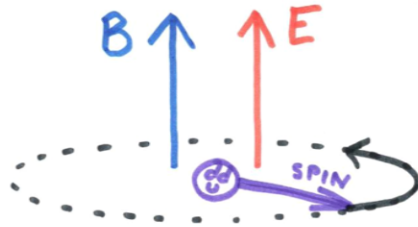


Search for the neutron EDM



under construction at the UCN source at the Paul Scherrer Institute (PSI)

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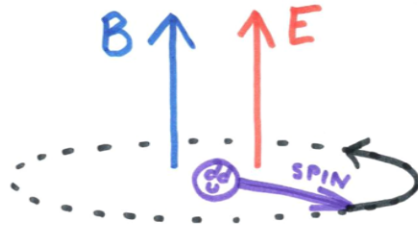
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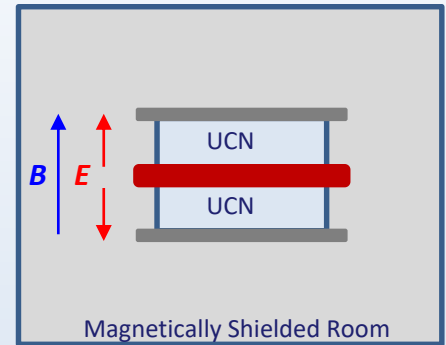
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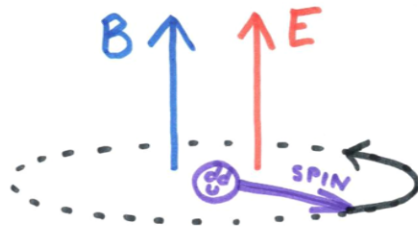
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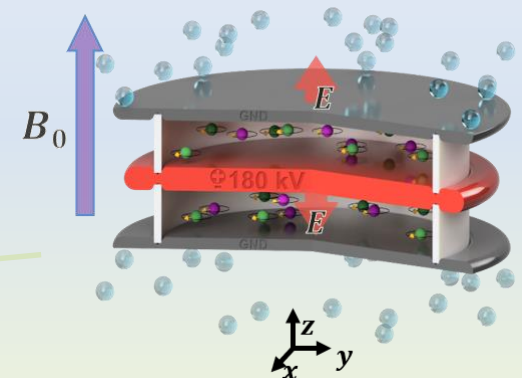
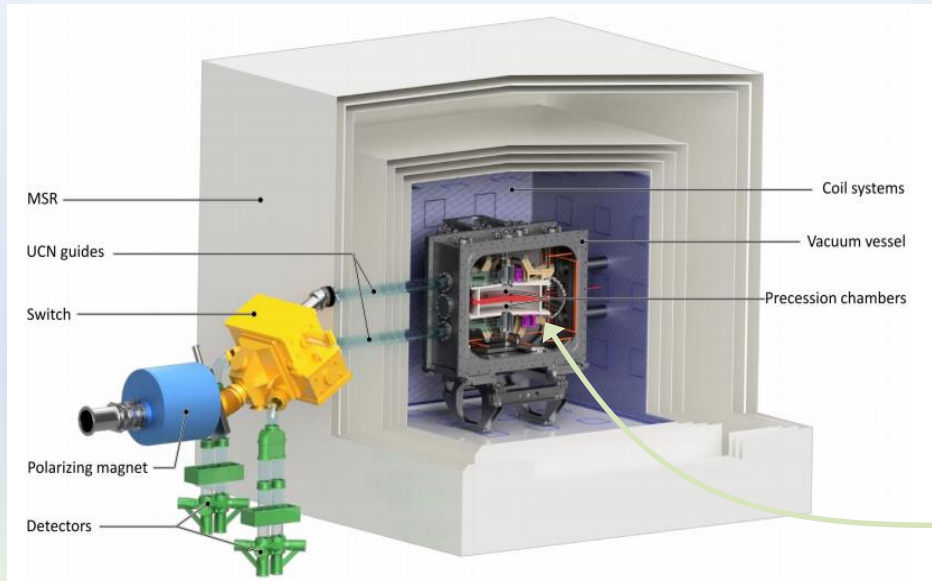
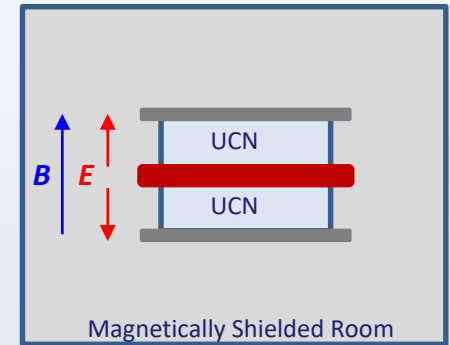
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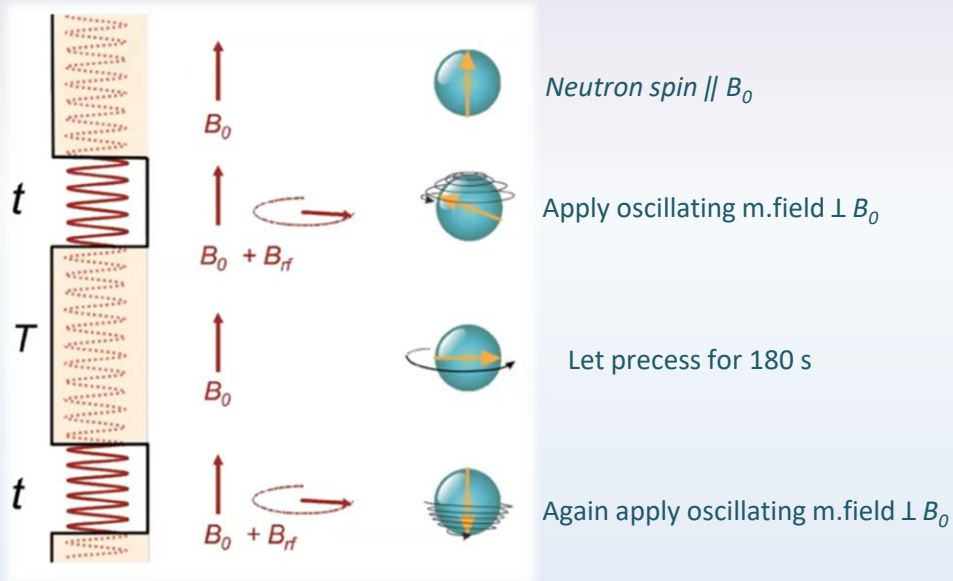
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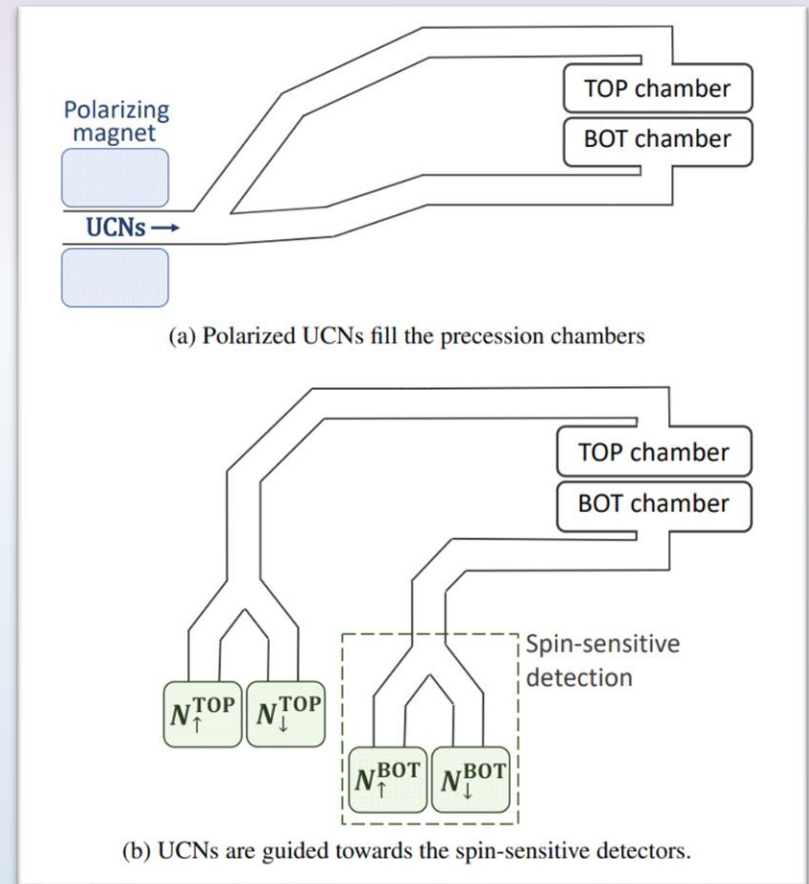


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## Ramsey's method



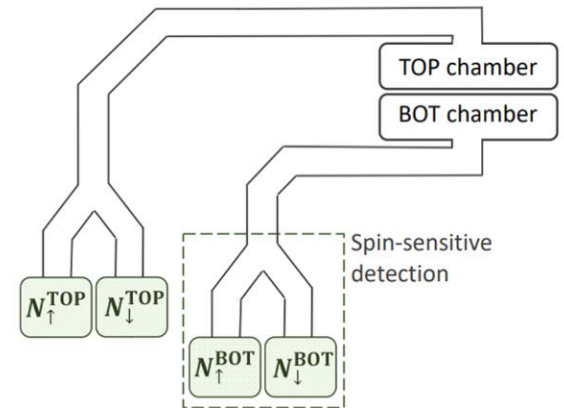
➔ Obtain neutrons with spin either UP or DOWN, **Count the number** of each, which depends on  $f_n$



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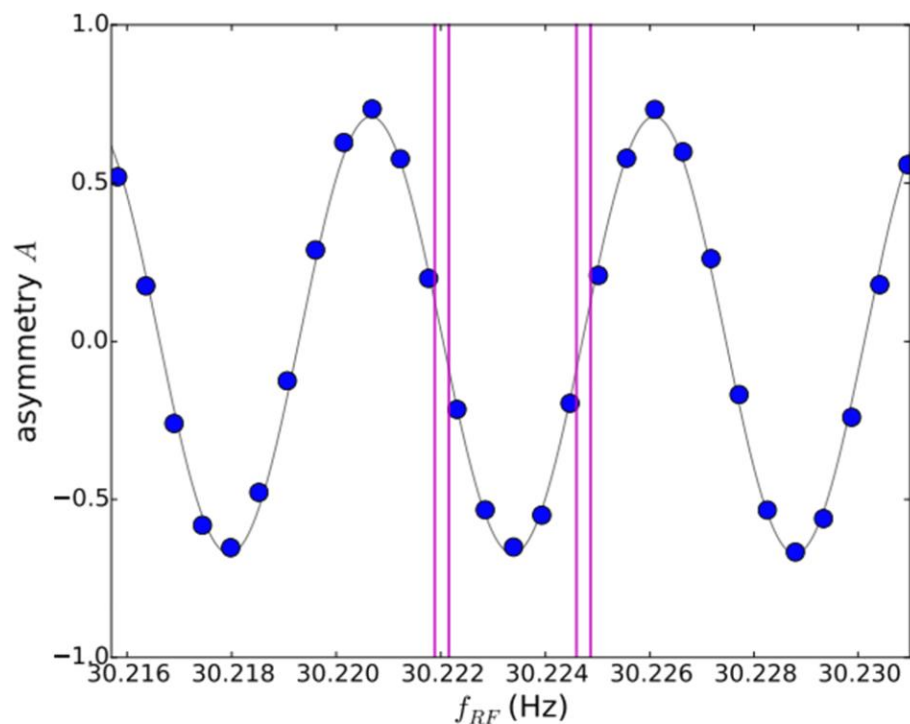
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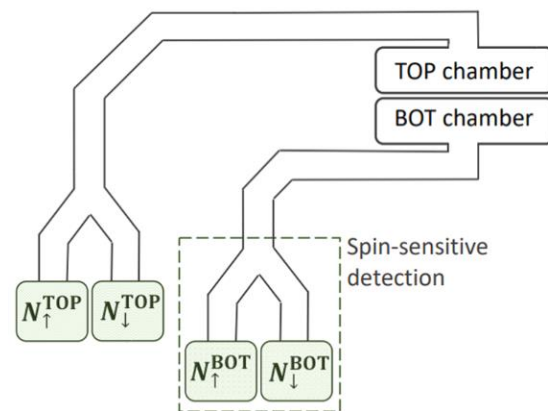
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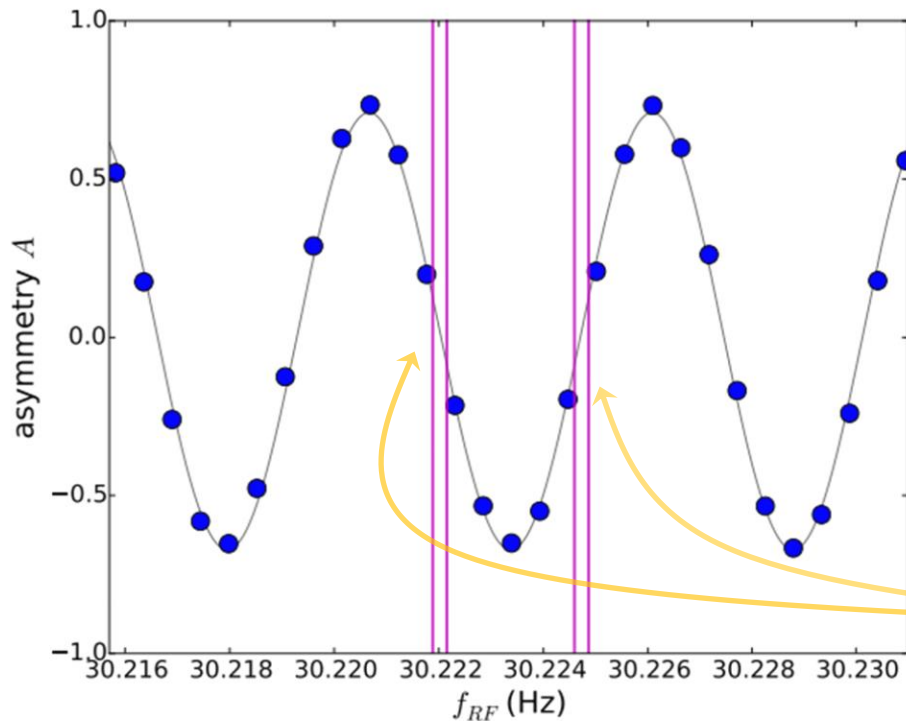


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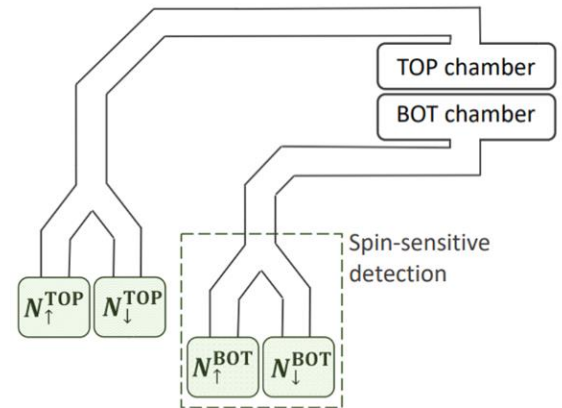
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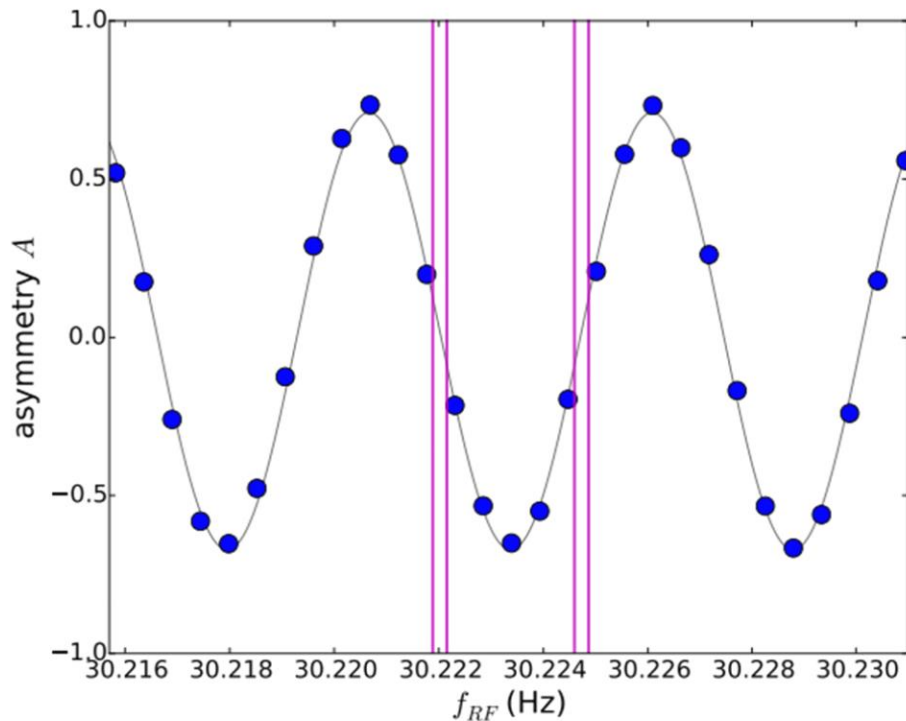
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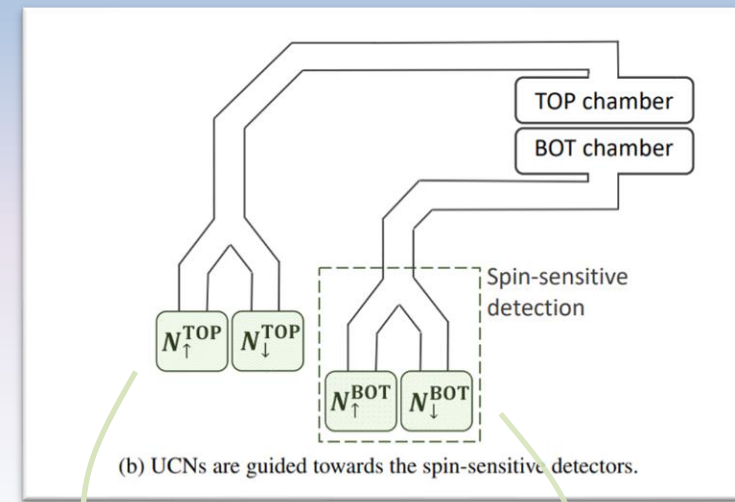
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n2EDM:

the **applied frequency** is **common** to the **2 chambers**,

→  $f_{RF}$  must be set close to the optimal points for the **2 chambers** **simultaneously**.



**Requirement**

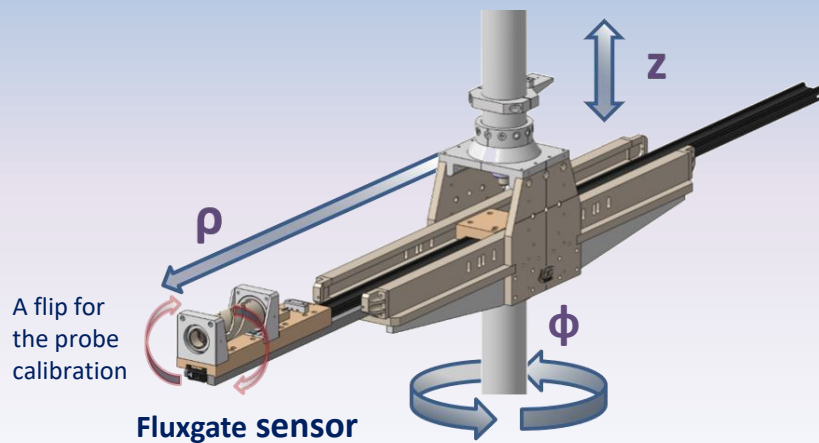
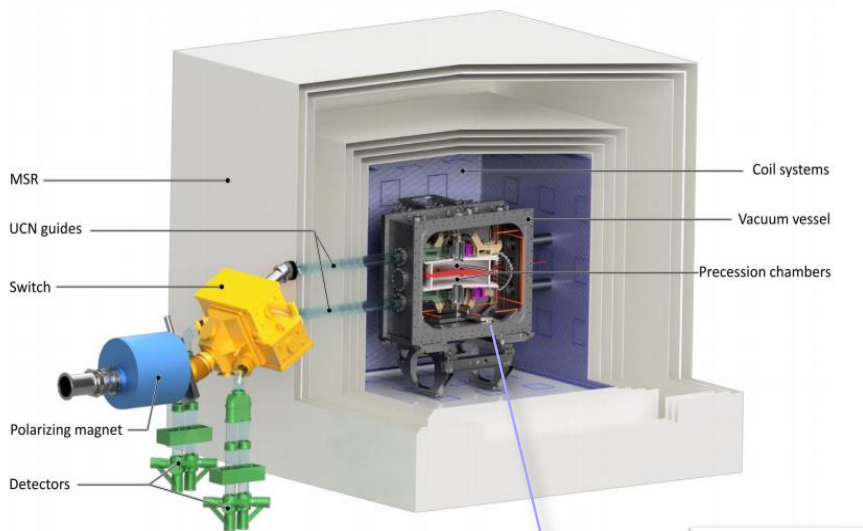
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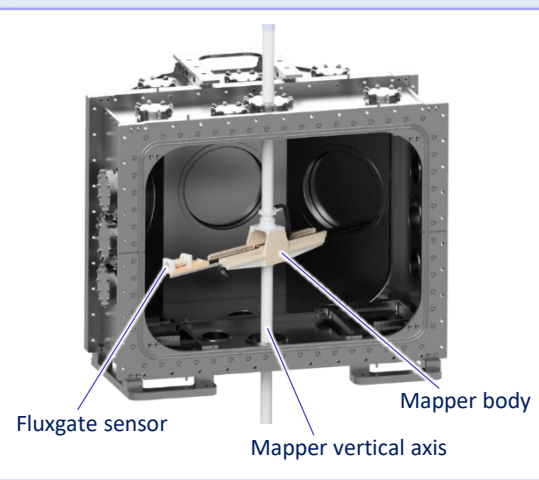
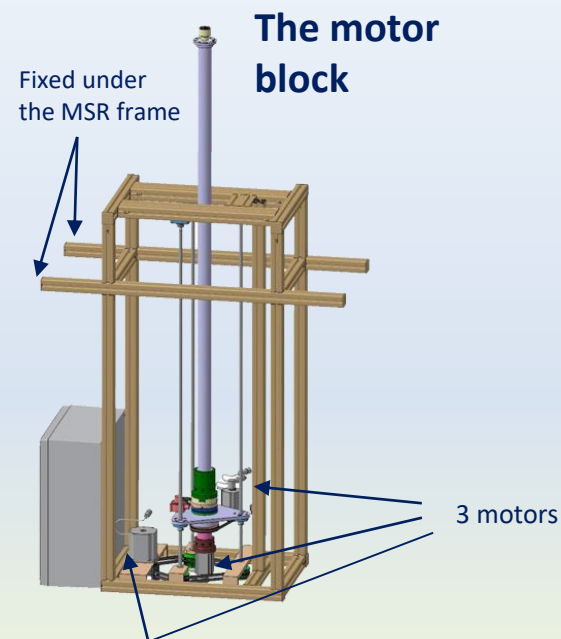
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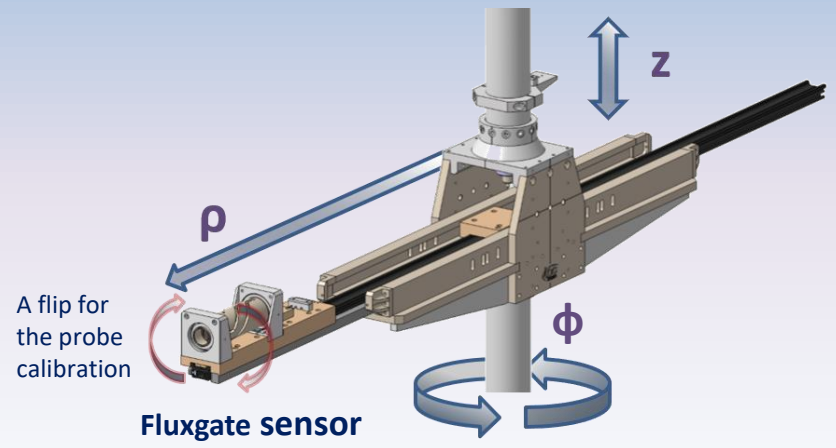
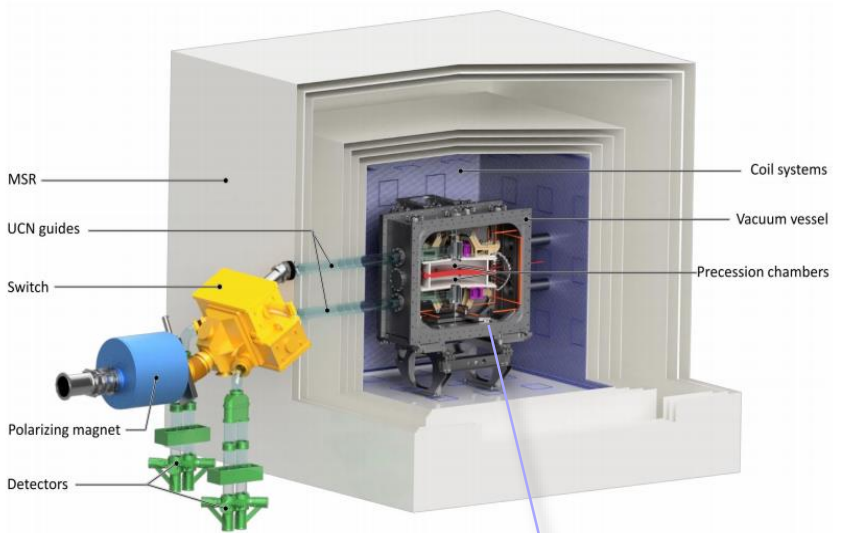
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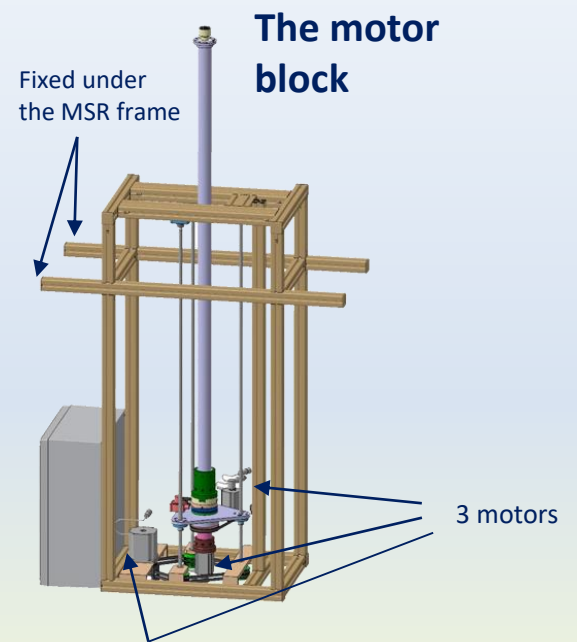
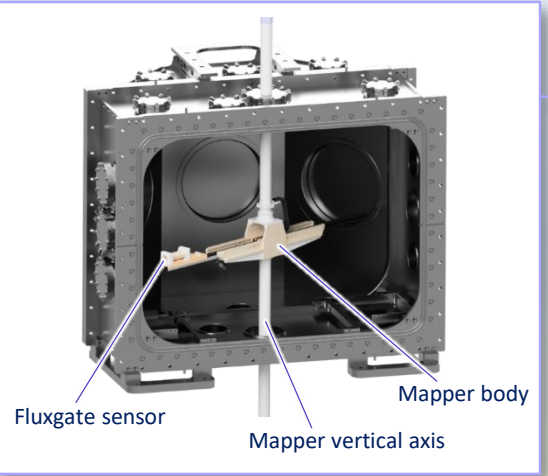


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  - ✓ Offline control of high-order gradients
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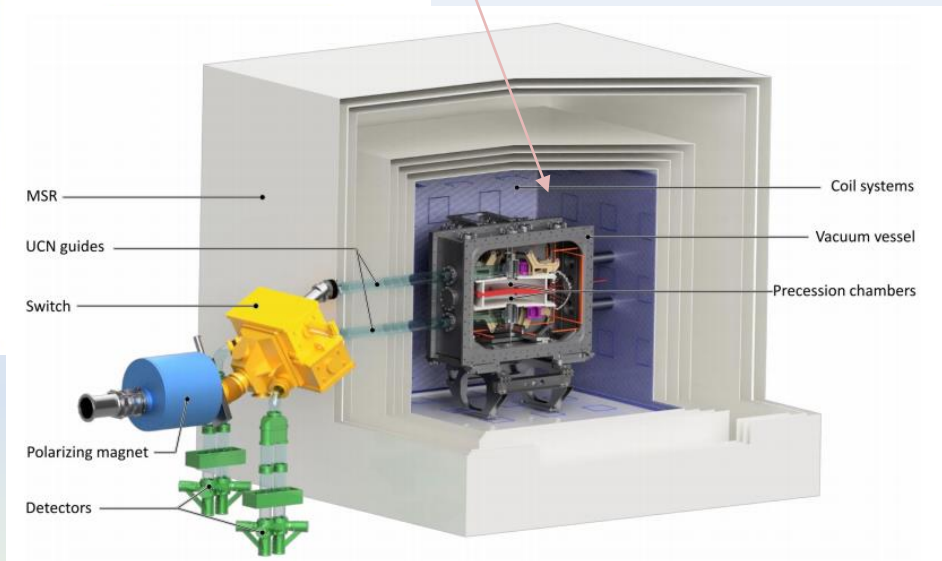
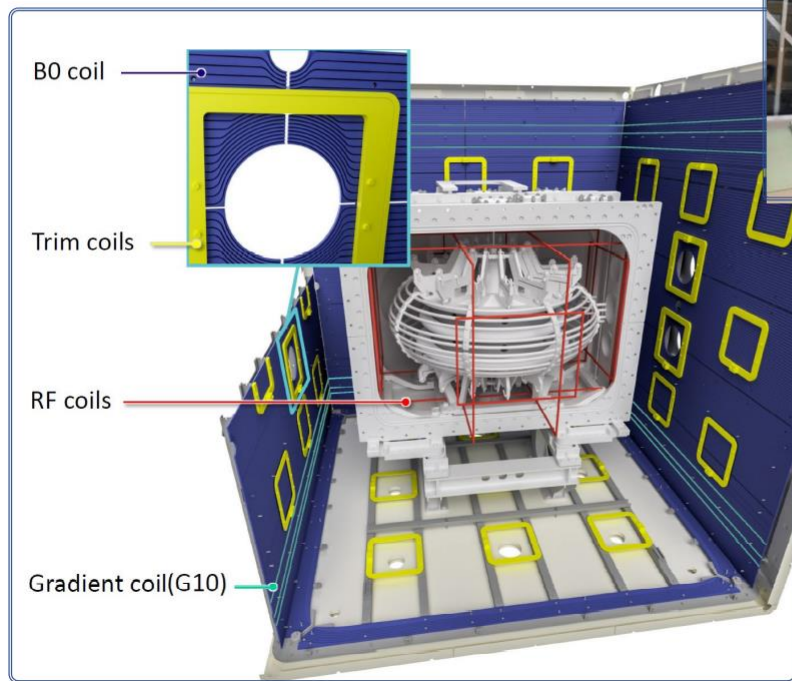
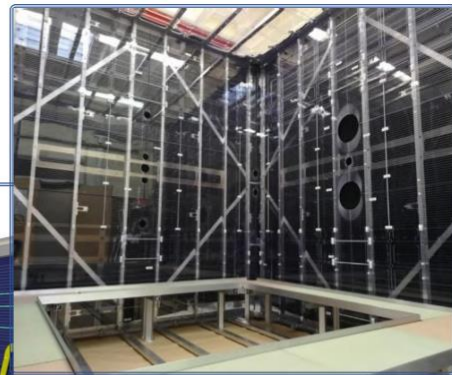




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## Coil system installation

- Produce a very uniform B0 field (1 $\mu$ T)
- Produce specific gradients
- Hold the UCN polarisation
- Neutron spin manipulation



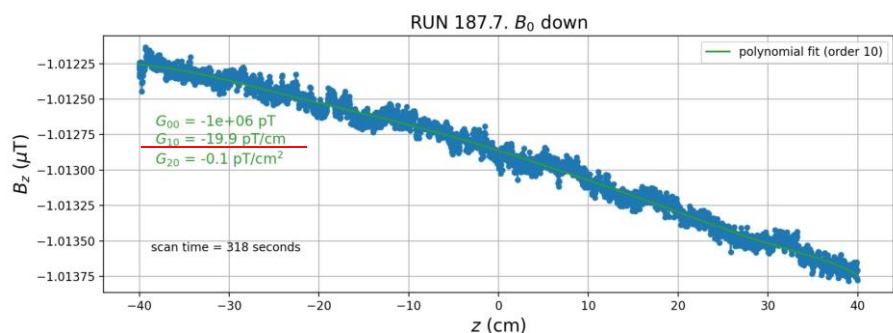
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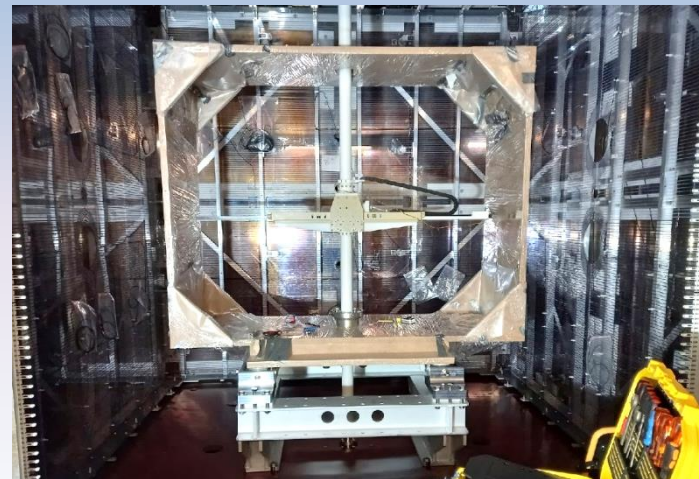


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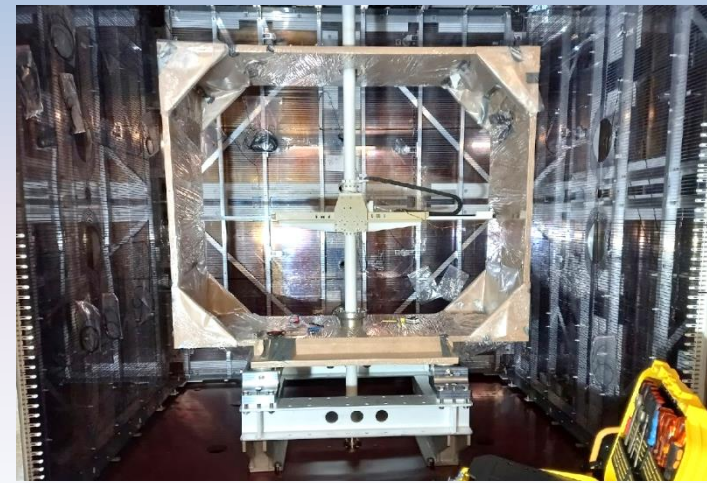


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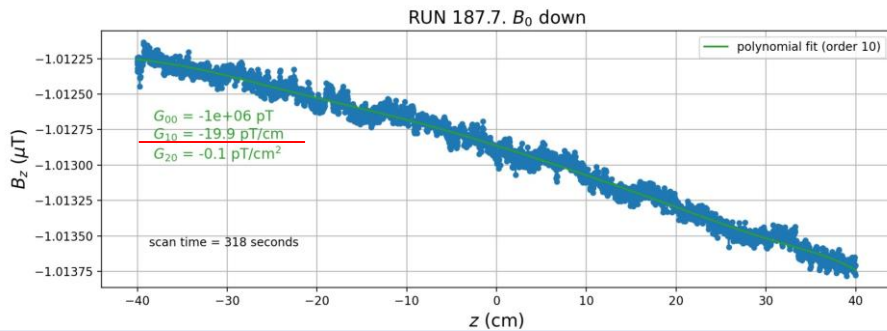
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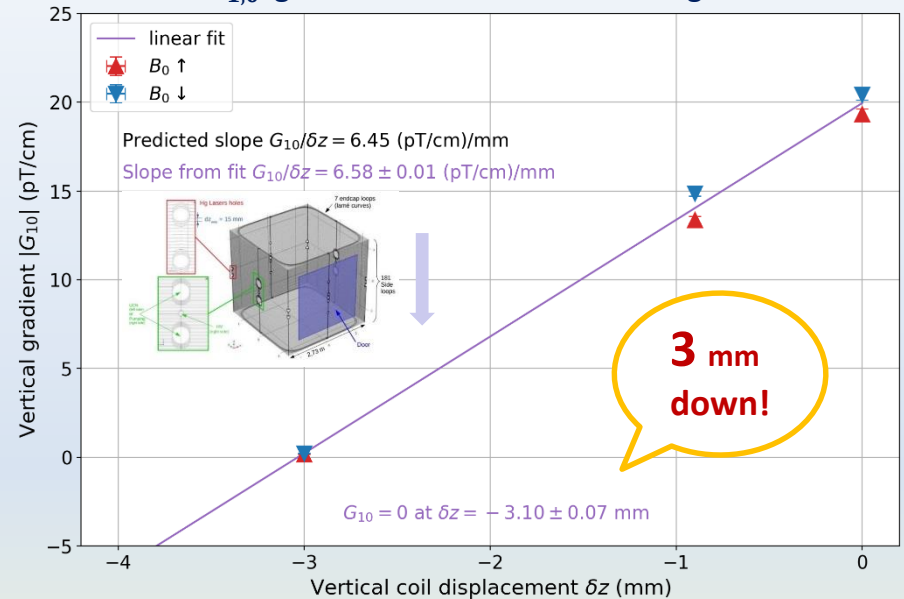


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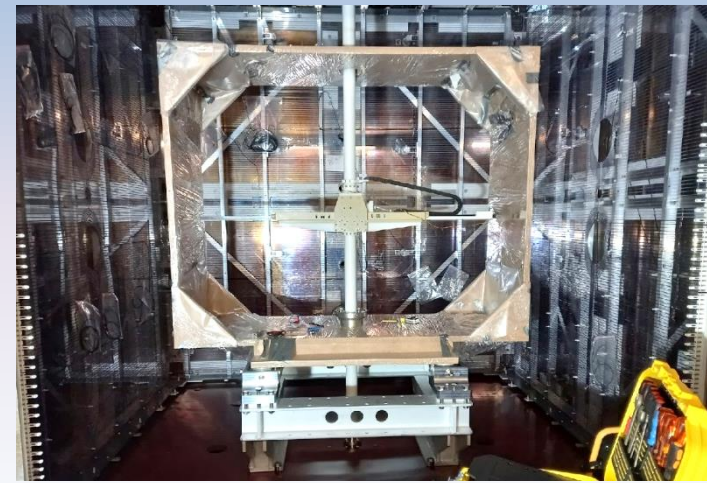
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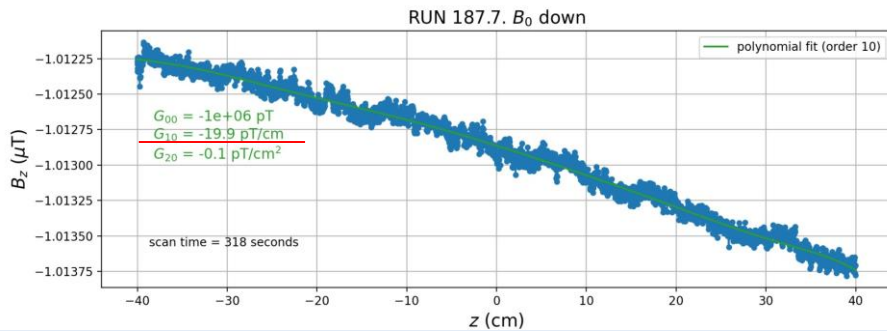
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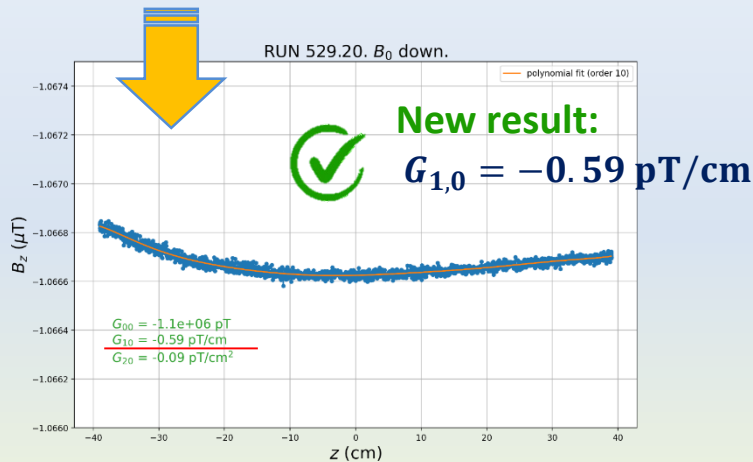
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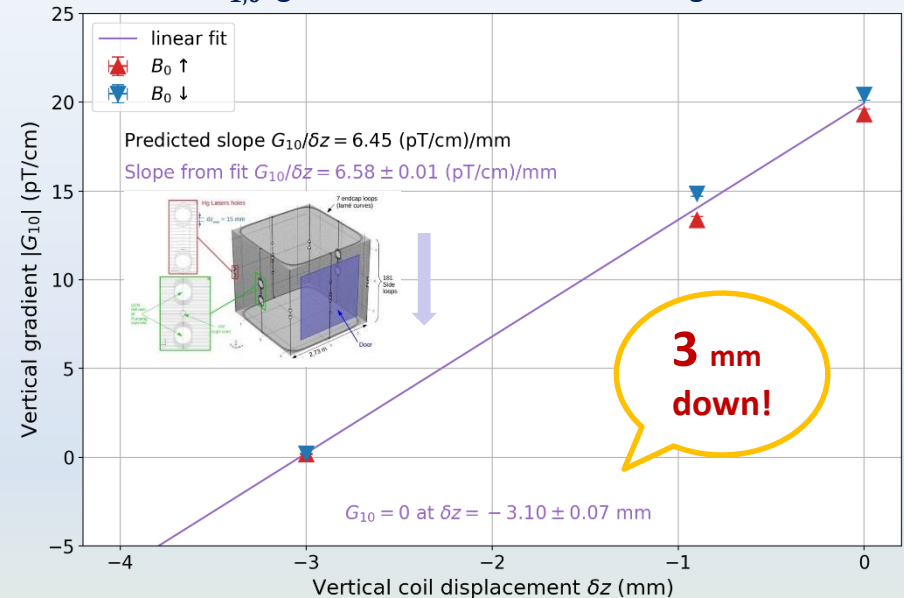


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## Summary

After the **vertical adjustment of the coil**,  
the new value of the 1<sup>st</sup> order gradient in the B<sub>0</sub>-down  
configuration :  $G_{1,0} = -0.59$  pT/cm.

The **average** of the  $G_{1,0}$  measured for the two polarities of B<sub>0</sub>  
gives the value of 0.2 pT/cm i.e. it is **in perfect agreement with  
the prediction**, meets the requirement and demonstrates an  
**impressive sensitivity of the mapping!**



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Calculation,  
Shift of the coil system



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$$G_{1,0} = 0.2 \text{ pT/cm} \quad (\text{average of B}_0\text{-down \& B}_0\text{-up})$$

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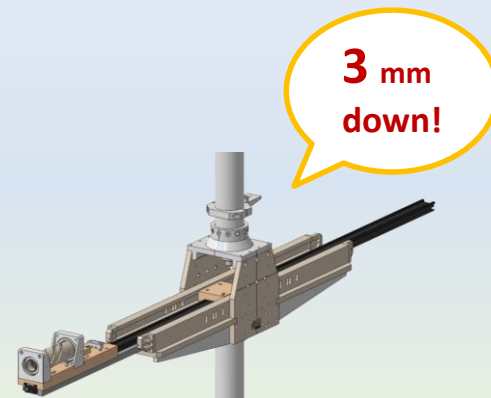
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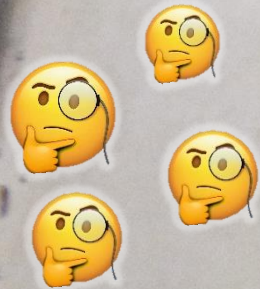
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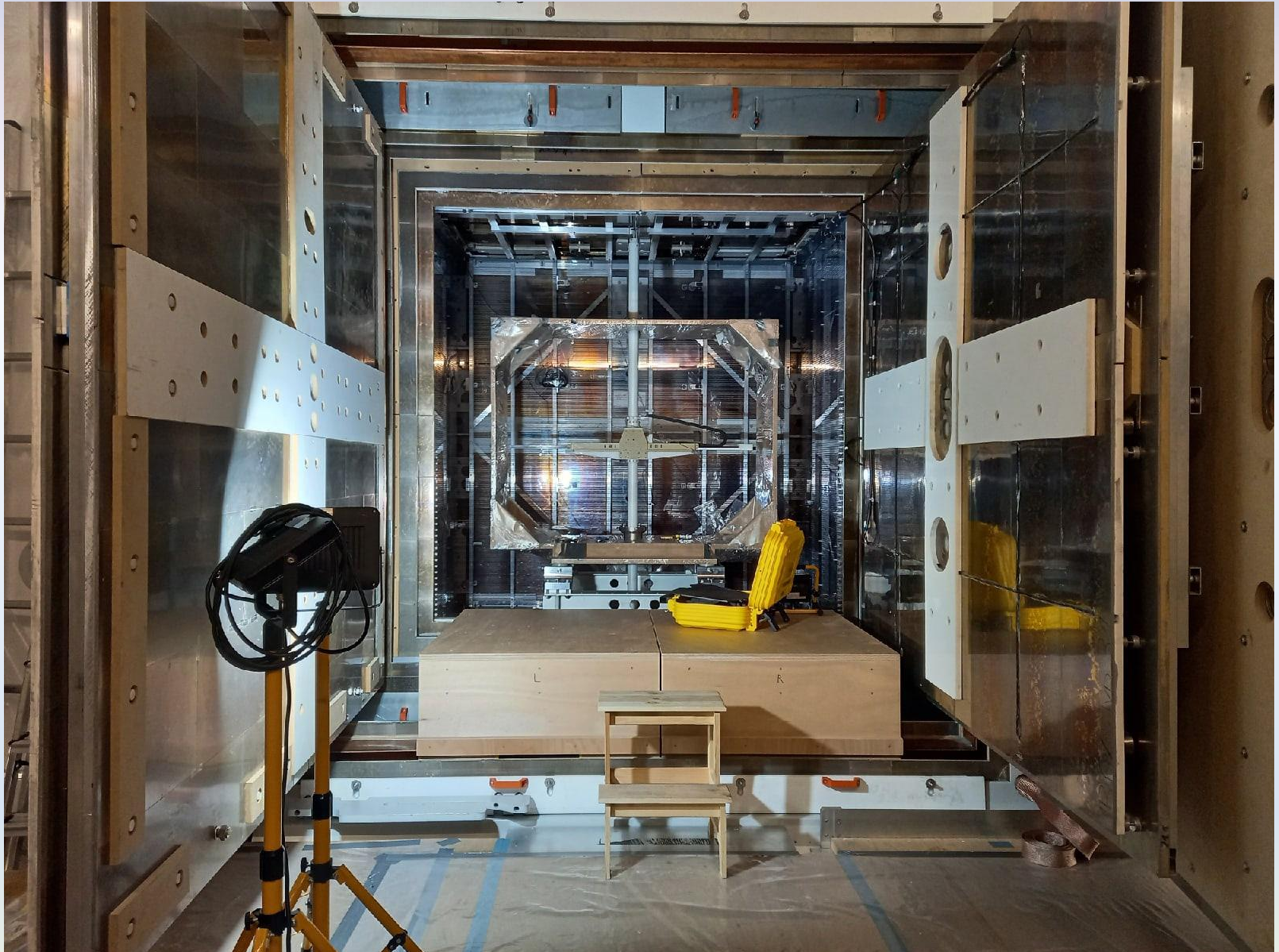


... To be continued!

Thanks for your attention!



# BACKUP SLIDES



A weak magnetic field  $B_0 \approx 1 \mu\text{T}$  is applied in a volume of  $>1\text{m}^3$ . The field is considered to be purely static and very uniform, but the remaining nonuniformities have serious consequences.

To characterize them, a polynomial expansion of the magnetic field components is made [2] :

$$\vec{B}(\vec{r}) = \sum_{l,m} G_{l,m} \begin{pmatrix} \Pi_{x,l,m}(\vec{r}) \\ \Pi_{y,l,m}(\vec{r}) \\ \Pi_{z,l,m}(\vec{r}) \end{pmatrix}$$

where the **modes**  $\vec{\Pi}_{l,m}$  are harmonic polynomials in x, y, z of degree  $l$ , and  $G_{l,m}$  are the expansion coefficients.

This is convenient and satisfies Maxwell's equations:

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = 0.$$

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- **On field production – B0 coil:**

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i.e.  $B_z$  needs to be similar enough between the two chambers

$$\sigma(B_z) = \sqrt{\langle B_z^2 \rangle} < 170 \text{ pT}$$

to prevent neutron depolarization

- **On field measurements – mapping:**

$$\delta \hat{G}_3 < 20 \text{ fT/cm} \text{ – accuracy of cubic mode}$$

$$\delta \hat{G}_5 < 20 \text{ fT/cm} \text{ – accuracy of 5-order mode}$$

$\hat{G}_3$  and  $\hat{G}_5$  should be measured precisely enough to calculate  $d_{n\leftarrow\text{Hg}}^{\text{false}}$  (\*) with a precision below

(\*) - False EDM is a systematic effect arising from the relativistic motional field  $\vec{E} \times \vec{v}/c^2$  experienced by the moving particles in combination with the residual magnetic gradients and leading to a frequency shift. The dominating contribution

$d_{n\leftarrow\text{Hg}}^{\text{false}}$  is the false EDM transferred from the co-magnetometer atoms Hg<sup>199</sup>.



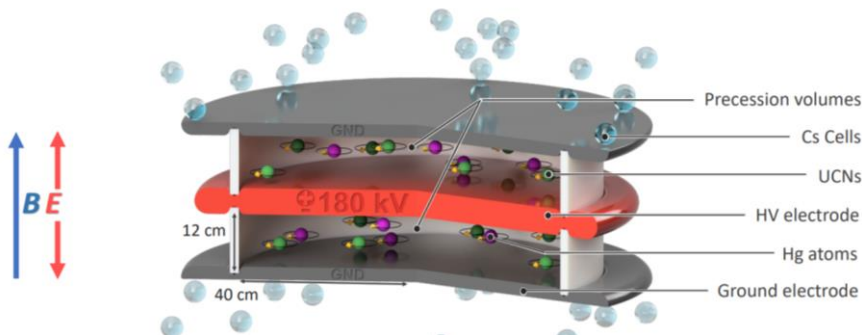
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$f_n$  is affected by drifts of the magnetic field!

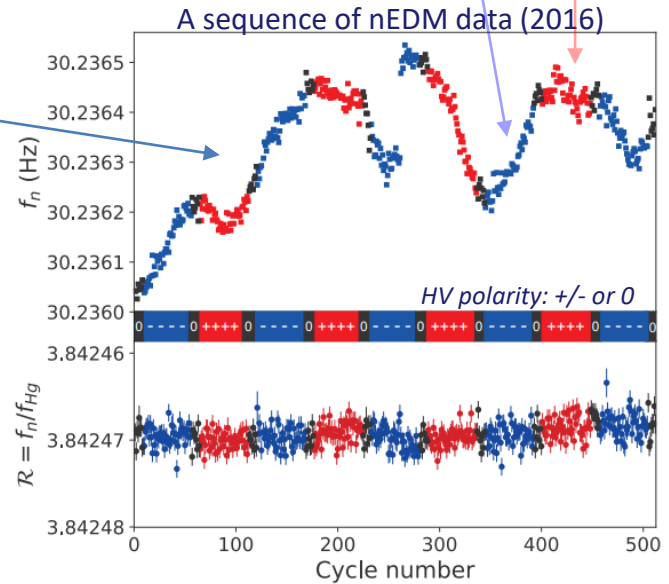
## Solution:

Mercury co-magnetometer

Polarized  $^{199}\text{Hg}$  atoms precess in the same chambers



$$d = \frac{\pi\hbar}{2|E|} (f(\uparrow\downarrow) - f(\uparrow\uparrow))$$



Simultaneous measurement of  $f_n$  and  $f_{\text{Hg}}$

$$\mathcal{R} \equiv \frac{f_n}{f_{\text{Hg}}} = \left| \frac{\gamma_n}{\gamma_{\text{Hg}}} \right| \mp \frac{|E|}{\pi\hbar f_{\text{Hg}}} d_n$$

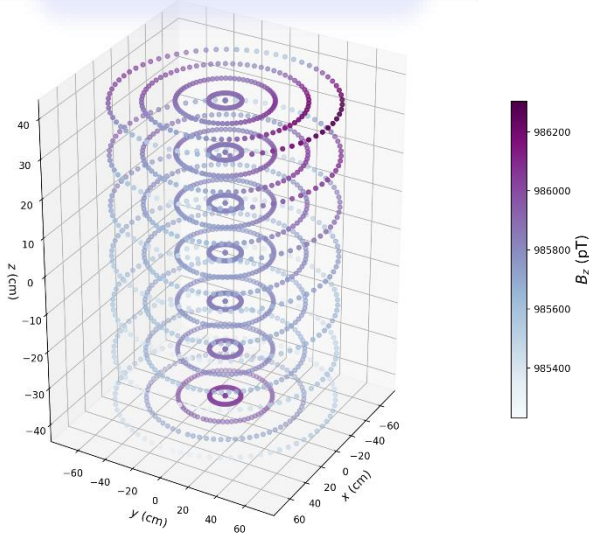
$$d_n = \frac{\pi\hbar f_{\text{Hg}}}{4|E|} (\mathcal{R}_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{\text{TOP}} - \mathcal{R}_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{\text{TOP}} + \mathcal{R}_{\uparrow\downarrow}^{\text{BOT}} - \mathcal{R}_{\uparrow\uparrow}^{\text{BOT}}).$$

$f_{\text{Hg}}$  measurement principle:

a UV probe beam transverses the chambers

-> record the absorption of the light (an oscillating signal),  
extract  $f_{\text{Hg}}$

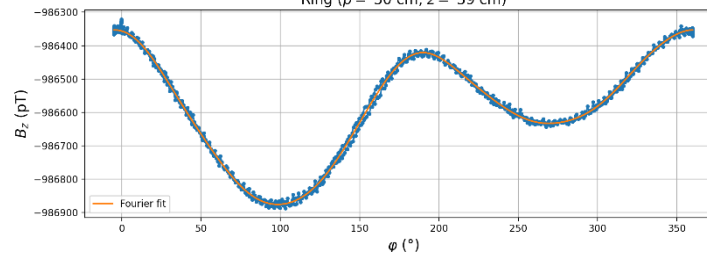
A field map: set of rings



Ring by ring Fourier decomposition

$$B_z(\varphi) = \sum_{m \geq 0} a_{m,z} \cos(m\varphi) + b_{m,z} \sin(m\varphi)$$

Ring ( $\rho = 50$  cm,  $z = 39$  cm)



For one ring, since the radius  $\rho$  and height  $z$  are fixed, the magnetic field is simply a function of  $\varphi$ . We fit it with a Fourier series with the Fourier coefficients as parameters of the  $\varphi$ .

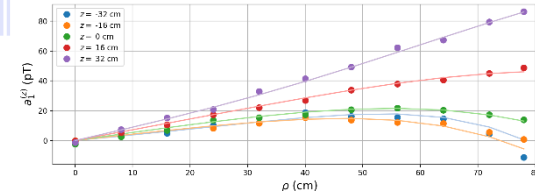
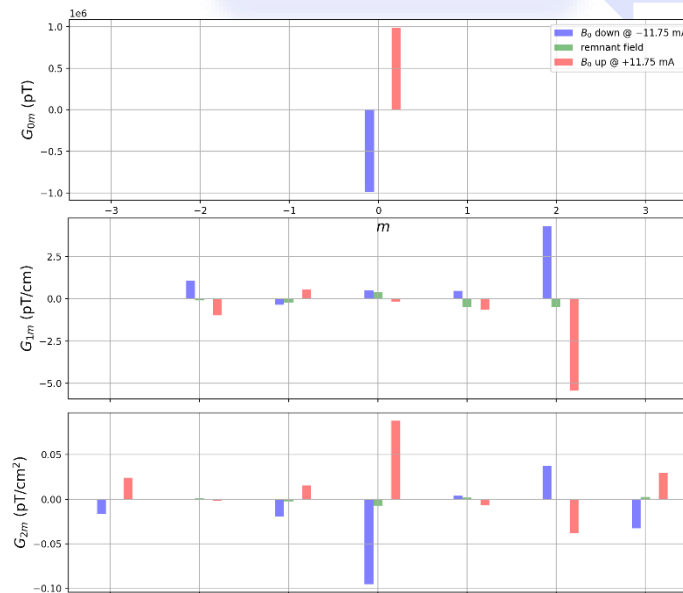
After having extracted a set of Fourier coefficients for each ring, the next step is to fit these coefficients with the harmonic functions of the field expansion.

Set of Fourier coefficients

Fourier coefficients fit with harmonic polynomials

$$a_{m,z}(\rho, z) = \sum_{l \geq 0} G_{l,m} \hat{\Pi}_{l,m}(\rho, z)$$

Set of gradients  $G_{l,m}$



The offline magnetic-field characterization using an automated magnetic field mapper. Here, the mapper was installed inside the MSR without the vacuum vessel in order to measure the remnant field and to test the coil system. The measurement volume is a cylinder of diameter 156 cm and height 82 cm.