**Exploring Fundamental Physics** in Diatomic Molecules

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# A Question at Large Scale

#### What "Happened" to Antimatter ?

- *Matter* and *antimatter* particles are created (and annihilated) in pairs.
- Matter-antimatter symmetric universe is empirically excluded<sup>1</sup>
- A tiny portion of *matter*, about one particle per billion, managed to survive the Big Bang.

 $\rightarrow$  Baryon Asymmetry Problem of the Universe (BAU)

• Fundamental symmetry violation could be at the heart of this problem.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A.G. Cohen, A. De Rújula, S.L. Glashow, *Astrophys. J.* **495** (1998) *539* 

## **A Possible Explanation Via:**

Sakharov's Conditions<sup>2</sup>

Condition 1: Distinguished direction of time (time arrow) Departure from thermal equilibrium

Condition 2: Baryon number (A) violation Inflation suggests that universe started with A = 0

Condition 3:  $(\mathcal{CP})$ -violating physics present Standard Model  $(\mathcal{CP})$  violation is regarded as insufficient Most Beyond SM theories invoke SuperSymmetry, richer  $(\mathcal{CP})$  violation

SuSy-based BAU models: Leptogenesis, Dine-Affleck mechanism, GUT baryogenesis et al.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>M. Dine, A. Kusenko, "Origin of the matter-antimatter asymmetry", *Rev. Mod. Phys.* **76** (2004) *1* A. Sakharov, *J. Exp. Theor. Phys. Lett.* **5** (1967) *24* 

## **Fundamental Discrete Symmetries**

A bit of safe ground ?

CPT theorem:<sup>3</sup> Local QFTs invariant

One example: The free Dirac equation (Weyl notation)  $\hat{\mathcal{K}}^{\dagger}\hat{\mathcal{P}}^{\dagger}\hat{\mathcal{C}}^{\dagger}\left(-\imath\hbar\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}+m_{0}c^{2}\mathbb{1}_{4}\right)\hat{\mathcal{C}}\hat{\mathcal{P}}\hat{\mathcal{K}}\hat{\mathcal{K}}^{\dagger}\hat{\mathcal{P}}^{\dagger}\hat{\mathcal{C}}^{\dagger}\underline{\Psi}(x)=\underline{0}$   $\left(\gamma^{3}\right)^{\dagger}\left(\gamma^{1}\right)^{\dagger}\hat{K}_{0}\gamma^{0}\imath\left(\gamma^{2}\right)^{\dagger}\hat{K}_{0}\left(-\imath\hbar\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}+m_{0}c^{2}\mathbb{1}_{4}\right)\imath\gamma^{2}\hat{K}_{0}\gamma^{0}\gamma^{1}\gamma^{3}\hat{K}_{0}$   $\left(\gamma^{3}\right)^{\dagger}\left(\gamma^{1}\right)^{\dagger}\hat{K}_{0}\gamma^{0}\imath\left(\gamma^{2}\right)^{\dagger}\hat{K}_{0}\underline{\Psi}(x)=\underline{0}$   $\left(-\imath\hbar\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}+m_{0}c^{2}\mathbb{1}_{4}\right)\underline{\Psi}(x)=\underline{0}$ 

- $\mathcal{CPT}$  invariance is connected to Lorentz invariance
- We have good reasons to "believe" in  $\mathcal{CPT}$  symmetry

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>R. F. Streater, A. S. Wightman, "PCT, Spin and Statistics, and All That"

## **Fundamental Discrete Symmetries**

Individual/combined symmetries may be violated

- The fall of  $\mathcal{P}$  invariance<sup>4</sup>
  - $\begin{array}{ccc} \pi^+ \longrightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu & \hat{\mathcal{P}} \\ & & \text{both left-handed helicity} & \longrightarrow \\ \pi^+ \longrightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu & \hat{\mathcal{CP}} \end{array}$

$$\pi^+ \longrightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$$

both right-handed helicity (not observed)

$$\pi^- \longrightarrow \mu^- + \overline{\nu}_\mu$$

both right-handed helicity (possible)

Perhaps it is  $(\mathcal{CP})$  that is always conserved ?

• The fall of  $(\mathcal{CP})$  invariance<sup>5</sup>

$$K_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( K_0 + \overline{K}_0 \right) \longrightarrow \pi + \pi$$

is  $(\mathcal{CP})$ -odd, about 0.2% of events.

- <sup>4</sup>C. S. Wu et al., *Phys Rev* **105** (1957) *254*
- <sup>5</sup>J. H. Christenson et al., *Phys Rev Lett* **13** (1964) *138*

# **Electric Dipole Moment of Paramagnetic Atoms/Molecules**

**Possible sources**<sup>6</sup>



- 1. Intrinsic EDM of an electron
- 2. ( $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$ ) violating electron-nucleon interaction

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>M. Pospelov, A. Ritz, "Electric dipole moments as probes of new physics", Ann. Phys. **318** (2005) 119

# **Testing Time-Reversal Invariance:** The Electron Electric Dipole Moment (*e*EDM) $\vec{D}$



 $\vec{D}$  and  $\vec{J}$  (anti-)collinear,  $\leftarrow$  Pauli exclusion principle<sup>7</sup> Implies violation of **Parity**( $\mathcal{P}$ ) and **Motion-Reversal**( $\mathcal{T}$ ) symmetries<sup>8</sup>  $\mathcal{CPT} \Rightarrow$  a kind of ( $\mathcal{CP}$ ) violating interaction

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Hunter, *Science* **252** (1991) *73* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>T.D. Lee, C.N. Yang, *BNL* **443** (1957) *T91* 

## An Aside:

#### What is a fundamental EDM, what is not ?

Transformation properties for a quantum system

Non-relativistic electric dipole energy

 $E_{\rm dip} = -\left\langle \Psi \left| \mathbf{D} \cdot \mathbf{E}_{\rm ext} \right| \Psi \right\rangle$ 

- EDM orthogonal to angular momentum and zero due to endover-end rotation

Potential energy due to a particle EDM

$$E_{\rm EDM} = -d_e \left\langle \Psi \left| \gamma^0 \mathbf{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{E} \right| \Psi \right\rangle$$

- EDM along angular momentum
- $d_e \gamma^0 \Sigma \neq \mathbf{0}$  in pure eigenstate

# The induced fermion EDM

#### **Standard Model Picture**



- Only CP violation in the quark-mixing matrix (CKM)
- Electron only interacts indirectly via weak interaction with virtual quarks
- Such two-loop diagrams give zero  ${\cal CP}\-$  odd contribution  $^9$
- Three-loop  $\mathcal{CP}$ -odd contributions zero in the absence of gluonic corrections<sup>10</sup>
- The standard-model prediction is immeasurably small:  $d_e^{SM} \leq 10^{-38} \, e \, \, {\rm cm}$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>E.D. Commins, *Adv At Mol Opt Phys* **40** (1998) *1* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>M. Pospelov, I.B. Khriplovich, *Sov J Nuc Phys* **53** (1991) *638* 

## The induced fermion EDM

#### **Beyond the Standard Model**



 $\chi$ : chargino, neutralino

 $\tilde{f}'_i$ : supersymmetry (s)-fermion

 $\epsilon^{\mu}(q)$ : photon

Chargino  $(\tilde{\chi}_{1,2}^{\pm})$ , neutralino  $(\tilde{\chi}_{1,2,3,4}^{0})$  or gluino  $(\tilde{g}^{a})$  fermion/sfermion interaction Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\chi f \tilde{f}'} = g_{Lij}^{\chi f \tilde{f}'_j} \left( \overline{\chi}_i P_L f \right) \tilde{f}'^*_j + g_{Rij}^{\chi f \tilde{f}'_j} \left( \overline{\chi}_i P_R f \right) \tilde{f}'^*_j + h.c.$$

One-loop fermion EDM:<sup>11</sup>

$$\left(\frac{d_{f}^{E}}{e}\right)^{\chi} = \frac{m\chi_{i}}{16\pi^{2}m_{\tilde{f}'_{j}}^{2}} \mathcal{I}m\left[\left(g_{Rij}^{\chi f\tilde{f}'_{j}}\right)^{*}g_{Lij}^{\chi f\tilde{f}'_{j}}\right] \left[Q_{\chi}A\left(\frac{m\chi_{i}}{m_{\tilde{f}'_{j}}^{2}}\right) + Q_{\tilde{f}'_{j}}B\left(\frac{m\chi_{i}}{m_{\tilde{f}'_{j}}^{2}}\right)\right]$$

MSSM ("naïve SUSY") prediction:  $d_e \leq 10^{-27} \, e \, \, {\rm cm}$ 

<sup>11</sup>J. Ellis, J.S. Lee, A. Pilaftsis, J High Energy Phys **10** (2008) 049

# Search for the Electron EDM

 $d_e$  from an atomic/molecular many-body problem

- Unpaired  $e^-$  in a stationary atomic/molecular state
- Measurement of an EDM dependent energy difference (transition energy)  $\Delta \epsilon_t$  of atomic/molecular quantum states.
- Theory determination of an **enhancement**<sup>12</sup>

$$d_e = rac{\Delta \epsilon_t}{E_{ ext{eff}}} egin{array}{c} (\mathsf{Experiment}) \ (\mathsf{Theory}) \end{array}$$

• Enhancement factor R "translates" between atomic and particle scales and is related to the **EDM effective electric field** at the position of the electron,

### $R \propto E_{\rm eff}$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup>P.G.H. Sandars, J Phys B: At Mol Opt Phys **1** (1968) 499

## Search for the Electron EDM

**Atomic/molecular enhancement** 

• In the **non-relativistic limit** the EDM expectation value vanishes:

(Schiff's Theorem<sup>13</sup>)

 Relativistic view leads to a non-zero value, essentially due to length contraction in the observer frame<sup>14</sup>

 $\left\langle \hat{H}_{\rm EDM} \right\rangle = 0$ 

• Scaling with nuclear charge Z, for alkali atoms<sup>15</sup>

 $R\propto Z^3\,\alpha^2$ 

• Heavy atoms required. Typical values in practice:

Z > 50

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>L.I. Schiff, *Phys Rev* **132** (1963) *2194* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup>E.D. Commins, J.D. Jackson, D.P. DeMille, Am J Phys **75** (2007) 532

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>P.G.H. Sandars, *Phys Lett* **14** (1965) *194* 

# **Historical Development of eEDM Upper Bound**<sup>16</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup>Sandars (1975), Commins, DeMille (2008)

## The eEDM in a molecular framework

#### **Perturbative EDM operator**

Single-particle  $\mathcal{P}$ - and  $\mathcal{T}$ -odd eEDM Hamiltonian<sup>17</sup>:  $\hat{H}_{\rm EDM} = -\frac{d_e}{4}\gamma^0\gamma^5 \left(\gamma^{\mu}\gamma^{\nu} - \gamma^{\nu}\gamma^{\mu}\right)F_{\mu\nu}$ which comprises an electric and a "motional" part  $\hat{H}_{\rm EDM} = -d_e\gamma^0 \left[\mathbf{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{E} + \imath \boldsymbol{\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{B}\right]$ 

Magnetic contribution does not enter to leading order<sup>18</sup> Electric field contributions

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{E}_{\mathsf{int}} + \mathbf{E}_{\mathsf{ext}}$$

with an internal nuclear and electronic contribution

$$\mathbf{E}_{\text{int}}(i) = \sum_{A=1}^{N} \frac{Ze \ (\vec{r_i} - \vec{r_A})}{||\vec{r_i} - \vec{r_A}||^3} - \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{e \ (\vec{r_i} - \vec{r_j})}{||\vec{r_i} - \vec{r_j}||^3}$$

<sup>18</sup>E. Lindroth, E. Lynn, P.G.H. Sandars, J Phys B: At Mol Opt Phys 22 (1989) 559

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup>E. Salpeter, *Phys Rev* **112** (1958) *1642* 

## The eEDM in a molecular framework

#### **Effective EDM many-body operator**

Theoretical framework is relativistic quantum mechanics, no QED contributions

Exact reformulation of interaction constant for a single-particle expectation value  $^{19}\,$ 

 $\left\langle -d_e \gamma^0 \mathbf{\Sigma} \cdot \mathbf{E} \right\rangle_{\psi^{(0)}} = \frac{2 \imath c d_e}{e \hbar} \left\langle \gamma^0 \gamma^5 \vec{p}^{\,2} \right\rangle_{\psi^{(0)}}$ 

Approximate effective expectation value in many-body system  $-d_e \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma^0(j) \, \mathbf{\Sigma}(j) \cdot \mathbf{E}(j) \right\rangle_{\psi^{(0)}} \approx \frac{2\iota c d_e}{e\hbar} \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma^0(j) \gamma^5(j) \, \vec{p}(j)^2 \right\rangle_{\psi^{(0)}}$ 

 $\psi^{(0)}$  here is the atomic/molecular electronic wavefunction. How do we optimize accurate electronic wavefunctions ?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup>E. Commins, *Adv At Mol Opt Phys* **40** (1999) *1* 

# **Relativistic Generalized-Active-Space Configuration** Interaction<sup>20</sup>

• Basis of time-reversal paired four-spinors

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Spinorbitals} & \mbox{General spinors} \\ \hline \hat{K}\varphi_i\,\alpha = \varphi_i^*\,\beta & \ \hat{K}\phi_i = \phi_{\overline{i}} \\ \hat{K}\varphi_i^*\,\beta = -\varphi_i\,\alpha & \ \hat{K}\phi_{\overline{i}} = -\phi_i \end{array}$ 

$$\phi_i = a_i^{\dagger} \mid \rangle \qquad \phi_{\overline{i}} = a_{\overline{i}}^{\dagger} \mid \rangle$$

- Many-particle wavefunction defined as
  - 1 unbarred (Kramers up) string  $S = a_i^{\dagger} a_j^{\dagger} a_k^{\dagger} \dots$ 1 barred (Kramers down) string  $\overline{S} = a_{\overline{i}}^{\dagger} a_{\overline{m}}^{\dagger} a_{\overline{n}}^{\dagger} \dots$
- Configuration Interaction: Slater determinants Coupled Cluster: Individual strings



 $<sup>\</sup>otimes$  x: vertex weight y: arc weight

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup>S. Knecht, H.J.Aa. Jensen, TF, *J Chem Phys* **132** (2010) *014108* 

TF, H.J.Aa. Jensen, J. Olsen, L. Visscher, J Chem Phys 124 (2006) 104106

## Correlated Wavefunction Theory for ${\sf E}_{\rm eff}$

- Dirac-Coulomb Hamiltonian operator  $\hat{H}^{DC} = \sum_{A} \sum_{i} \left[ c(\vec{\alpha} \cdot \vec{p})_i + \beta_i m_0 c^2 + V_{iA} \right] + \sum_{i,j>i} \frac{1}{r_{ij}} \mathbb{1}_4 + \sum_{A,B>A} V_{AB}$
- All-electron Dirac-Coulomb Hartree-Fock (DCHF) calculation set of time-reversal paired 4-spinors  $\hat{K}\varphi_i = \varphi_{\bar{i}}$  and  $\hat{K}\varphi_{\bar{i}} = -\varphi_i$
- Expansion and variation<sup>21</sup> in *n*-electron sector of Fock space  $|\psi_k\rangle = \sum_{I=1}^{\dim \mathcal{F}^t(M,n)} c_{kI} |(S\overline{\mathcal{T}})_I\rangle$

Expectation values over relativistic Configuration Interaction wavefunctions<sup>22</sup>  $\left\langle \hat{H}_{\text{EDM}} \right\rangle_{\psi_k^{(0)}} = \sum_{I,J=1}^{\dim \mathcal{F}^{t}(M,n)} c_{kI}^* c_{kJ} \left\langle (\mathcal{S}\overline{\mathcal{T}})_I \right| \frac{2icd_e}{e\hbar} \sum_{j=1}^n \gamma^0(j) \gamma^5(j) \vec{p}(j)^2 \left| (\mathcal{S}\overline{\mathcal{T}})_J \right\rangle$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup>S Knecht, H J Aa Jensen, TF, *J Chem Phys* **132** (2010) *014108* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup>TF and M K Nayak, *Phys Rev A* **88** (2013) *032514* 

## Search for the Electron EDM

Why molecules?

Be an atom in a parity eigenstate  $\hat{\mathcal{P}} |\psi_p\rangle = \prod_{i=1}^n \hat{p}(i) \hat{\mathcal{A}} |\varphi_a(1) \cdot \ldots \cdot \varphi_m(n)\rangle.$ Then

$$\left\langle \psi_p | \hat{H}_{\text{EDM}} | \psi_p \right\rangle = \left\langle \psi_p | \hat{\mathcal{P}}^{\dagger} \hat{\mathcal{P}} \hat{H}_{\text{EDM}} \hat{\mathcal{P}}^{\dagger} \hat{\mathcal{P}} | \psi_p \right\rangle = -p^2 \left\langle \psi_p | \hat{H}_{\text{EDM}} | \psi_p \right\rangle$$
$$= -\left\langle \psi_p | \hat{H}_{\text{EDM}} | \psi_p \right\rangle = 0$$

Parity eigenstates need to be mixed (polarization).

- 1. A perturbing laboratory E field is required to mix parity eigenstates. TI experiment<sup>23</sup>  $E_{\rm eff} \approx 0.05 \left[\frac{{\rm GV}}{{
  m cm}}\right]$
- 2. Molecular fields: YbF<sup>24</sup>:  $E_{\rm eff} \approx 26 \left[\frac{\rm GV}{\rm cm}\right]$ , HgF<sup>25</sup>:  $E_{\rm eff} \approx 100 \left[\frac{\rm GV}{\rm cm}\right]$ ,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup>V.V. Flambaum, Sov J Nucl Phys **24** (1976) 199

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup>D.M. Kara, I.J. Smallman, J.J. Hudson, B.E. Sauer, M.R. Tarbutt, E.A. Hinds, New J Phys 14 (2012) 103051

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup>Dmitriev et al., *Phys Lett* **167A** (1992) *280* 

# The eEDM in a molecular framework

 $^{3}\Delta$  molecules $^{26}$ 



- One heavy nucleus (relativistic effect)
- One "science" electron  $(\sigma^1)$ , one "spectroscopy" electron  $(\delta^1)$
- Large  $E_{\rm eff}$  for  $\sigma^1$  electron
- Deeply bound molecule (fluorides)
- Small  $\Lambda$  ( $\Omega$ )-doublet splitting<sup>27</sup> (optimal polarization)
- Large rotational constant (one heavy, one light atom)
- $\Omega = 1$  component preferred (small magnetic moment)

 $\Rightarrow$  Low-lying  ${}^{3}\Delta_{1}$  as "science" state

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup>E. Meyer, J. Bohn, D.A. Deskevich, *Phys Rev A* **73** (2006) *062108* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup>TF, C.M. Marian, J Mol Spectrosc **178** (1996) 1

# $HfF^+/ThF^+$

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# The eEDM in a molecular framework

A Proposed Measurement<sup>28</sup> on HfF<sup>+</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup>A.E. Leanhardt, J.L. Bohn, H. Loh, P. Maletinsky, E.R. Meyer, L.C. Sinclair, R.P. Stutz, E.A. Cornell, J Mol Spectrosc **270** (2011) 1

## **HfF**<sup>+</sup> electronic states and spectroscopic constants



		$R_{e}$ [	a.u.]			$\omega_e \; [{ m c}]$	$m^{-1}$ ]	
Model	$\Omega = 0$	$\Omega = 1$	$\Omega = 2$	$\Omega = 3$	$\Omega = 0$	$\Omega = 1$	$\Omega = 2$	$\Omega = 3$
CAS-CI(10)	3.400	3.436	3.434	3.431	796	774	775	778
MR-CISD(10)	3.506	3.558	3.557	3.552	656	643	643	644
MR-CISD+T(10)	3.510	3.560			654	643		
MR-CISD(20)	3.401	3.438	3.437	3.434	800	768	769	772
Experiment <sup>29</sup>					790.76	760.9		
Experiment <sup>30</sup>	3.374	3.407			791.2	761.3	762.3	761.5

<sup>29</sup>K. Cossel et al., Chem. Phys. Lett. **546** (2012) 1

<sup>30</sup>B.B. Barker, I.O. Antonov, V.E. Bondybey, M.C. Heaven, J Chem Phys **134** (2011) 201102

# HfF<sup>+</sup> and ThF<sup>+</sup>: $E_{\text{eff}}$ in the $\Omega = 1$ science state<sup>31</sup>

HfF <sup>+</sup>		ThF <sup>+</sup>	
Model	$E_{\text{eff}} \left[ \frac{\text{GV}}{\text{cm}} \right]$	Model	$E_{\rm eff} \left[ \frac{\rm GV}{\rm cm} \right]$
CAS-CI(10)	24.1		
MR-CISD(10)	22.4		
MR-CISD(20)	23.3	$MR_3$ -CISD(18)	47.5
MR-CISD+T(20)	23.7	$MR_6$ -CISD(18)	36.2
MR-CISD(34)	22.9	$MR_{10}$ -CISD(18)	35.2
MR-CISD(34)+T	23.3	$MR_3$ -CISDT(18)	35.4
Estimate, Meyer et al. <sup>32</sup>	$\approx 30$	Meyer et al.	$\approx 90$
20 e <sup>-</sup> corr., Titov et al. <sup>33</sup>	24.2	36 e <sup>-</sup> corr., Titov et al.	$\approx 45$

 $(HfF^+)$ 

Similar results with various methods System currently under exp. study

#### $(\mathsf{Th}\mathsf{F}^+)$

Different results with various methods Meyer's model inaccurate Titov's sr-CCSD(T) underestimates s-p mixing

<sup>31</sup> TF and M.K. Nayak, Phys Rev A 88 (2013) 032514

M. Denis, M.K. Nayak, TF, et al., New J Phys (2014) in preparation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup>A.N. Petrov, N.S. Mosyagin, T.A. Isaev, A.V. Titov, *Phys Rev A* **76** (2007) *030501(R)* 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup>E.R. Meyer, J.L. Bohn, *Phys Rev A* **78** (2008) *010502(R)* 

# ThO

ACME Collaboration, Yale/Harvard, (DeMille/Doyle/Gabrielse groups)

## Most Recent Measurement: ThO Molecule

#### ACME Collaboration, Harvard/Yale







### Order of Magnitude Smaller Limit on the Electric Dipole Moment of the Electron

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The Standard Model (SM) of particle physics fails to explain dark matter and why matter survived annihilation with antimatter following the Big Bang. Extensions to the SM, such as weak-scale Supersymmetry, may explain one or both of these phenomena by positing the existence of new particles and interactions that are asymmetric under time-reversal (T). These theories nearly always predict a small, yet potentially measurable  $(10^{-27}$ - $10^{-30}$  e cm) electron electric dipole moment (EDM,  $d_e$ ), which is an asymmetric charge distribution along the spin  $(\vec{S})$ . The EDM is also asymmetric under T. Using the polar molecule thorium monoxide (ThO), we measure  $d_e = (-2.1 \pm 3.7_{\text{stat}} \pm 2.5_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-29} e \text{ cm}$ . This corresponds to an upper limit of  $|d_e| < 8.7 \times 10^{-29} e \text{ cm}$  with 90 percent confidence, an order of magnitude improvement in sensitivity compared to the previous best limits. Our result constrains T-violating physics at the TeV energy scale.

The exceptionally high internal effective electric field  $(\mathcal{E}_{eff})$  of heavy postral atoms and molecules can be used to precisely probe

is prepared using optical pumping and state preparation lasers. Parallel electric  $(\vec{\mathcal{E}})$  and magnetic  $(\vec{\mathcal{B}})$  fields exert torques on the electric and magnetic dipole moments, causing the spin vector to precess in the xy plane. The precession angle is measured with a readout laser and fluorescence detection. A change in this angle as  $\vec{\mathcal{E}}_{\text{eff}}$  is reversed is proportional to  $d_e$ .



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#### Electron Electric Dipole Moment and Hyperfine Interaction Constants for ThO

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A recently implemented relativistic four-component configuration interaction approach to study  $\mathcal{P}$ - and  $\mathcal{T}$ -odd interaction constants in atoms and molecules is employed to determine the electron electric dipole moment effective electric field in the  $\Omega = 1$  first excited state of the ThO molecule. We obtain a value of  $E_{\text{eff}} = 75.2 \left[\frac{\text{GV}}{\text{cm}}\right]$  with an estimated error bar of 3% and 10% smaller than a previously reported result [J. Chem. Phys., 139:221103, 2013]. Using the same wavefunction model we obtain an excitation energy of  $T_v^{\Omega=1} = 5410 \text{ [cm}^{-1}$ ], in accord with the experimental value within 2%. In addition, we report the implementation of the magnetic hyperfine interaction constant  $A_{||}$  as an expectation value, resulting in  $A_{||} = -1339 \text{ [MHz]}$  for the  $\Omega = 1$  state in ThO. The smaller effective electric field increases the previously determined upper bound [Science, 343:269, 2014] on the electron electric dipole moment to  $|d_e| < 9.7 \times 10^{-29} e \text{ cm}$  and thus mildly mitigates constraints to possible extensions of the Standard Model of particle physics.

1401.2284v2 J Mol Spectrosc **300** (2014) 16

#### Molecular Wavefunction for the "Science" State

	# of Kramers pairs	accumulated # of electrons min. max.	
Deleted	(176)		$^3\Delta_1$ is the first molecular
Virtual	183–K	36 36	excited state
Th: 6d σπ,7p, 8s Th: 7s, 6dδ	K	36-m 36	$7s^16d\delta^1$ configuration considerably mixed in this state
Th: 6s, 6p O: 2s, 2p	8	34–n 34	
Th: 5d	5	18-р 18	CI expansion space
Th: 5s, 5p	4	8-q 8	$\leq 500.000.000$ terms
Frozen core	(31)		

**Basis Sets** 

Basis set/CI Model	$T_v  [\rm cm^{-1}]$	$E_{eff}\left[\frac{\mathrm{GV}}{\mathrm{cm}}\right]$	$A_{  }$ [MHz]
$vDZ/MR_3$ -CISD(18)	4535	80.8	-1283
$vTZ/MR_3$ -CISD(18)	3832	81.0	-1292
$vQZ/MR_3$ -CISD(18)	3643	80.7	-1298

Vertical excitation energy, effective electric field, and hyperfine constant at an internuclear distance of R = 3.477 a<sub>0</sub> for  $\Omega = 1$  using basis sets with increasing cardinal number and the wavefunction model MR<sub>3</sub>-CISD(18)

Magnetic hyperfine interaction constant:

$$A_{||} = \frac{\mu_{Th}}{I\Omega} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \frac{\vec{\alpha_i} \times \vec{r_i}}{r_i^3} \right)_z \right\rangle_{\psi}$$

**Number of Correlated Electrons** 

CI Model	$T_v  [{\rm cm}^{-1}]$	$E_{eff}\left[\frac{\mathrm{GV}}{\mathrm{cm}}\right]$	$A_{  }$ [MHz]
$MR\operatorname{-}CISD(2)$	5929	68.5	-1264
$MR_3$ -CISD(18)	3832	81.0	-1292
$MR_3$ -CISD(28)	3752	80.0	-1297
$MR_3$ -CISD(36) <sup>34</sup>	3742	80.8	-1287

Vertical excitation energy, effective electric field, and hyperfine constant at an internuclear distance of R = 3.477 a<sub>0</sub> for  $\Omega = 1$  correlating only the atomic valence shells down to including core-valence and core-core correlation and using the vTZ basis sets

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup>Due to extreme computational demand the virtual cutoff is 5 a.u. here.

#### **Active 4-Spinor Spaces**

CI Model	$T_v  [{\rm cm}^{-1}]$	$E_{eff}\left[\frac{\mathrm{GV}}{\mathrm{cm}}\right]$	$A_{  }$ [MHz]
$MR_3$ -CISD(18)	3832	81.0	-1292
$MR_5$ -CISD(18)	4054	79.7	-1291
$MR_7$ -CISD(18)	4321	80.1	-1318
$MR_{10}$ -CISD(18)	5329	75.6	-1335
$MR_{13}$ -CISD(18)	5437	75.2	-1339
Exp. $(T_e)^{35}$	5317		

Vertical excitation energy, effective electric field, and hyperfine constant at an internuclear distance of R = 3.477 a<sub>0</sub> for  $\Omega = 1$  using the vTZ basis set and varying active spinor spaces

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#### **Higher Excitations**

CI Model	$T_v  [{\rm cm}^{-1}]$	$E_{eff}\left[\frac{\mathrm{GV}}{\mathrm{cm}}\right]$	$A_{  }$ [MHz]
$MR_3$ -CISD(18)	4535	80.8	-1283
$MR_9 extsf{-}CISD(18)$	5703	73.8	-1321
$MR_3$ -CISDT(18)	5166	74.5	-1340

Vertical excitation energy, effective electric field, and hyperfine constant at an internuclear distance of R = 3.477 a<sub>0</sub> for  $\Omega = 1$  using the vDZ basis set and varying maximum excitation rank



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# **Historical Development of eEDM Upper Bound**<sup>36</sup>



<sup>36</sup>Sandars (1975), Commins, DeMille (2008)

# eEDM Constraint on Beyond-Standard-Model Theories<sup>37</sup>



Model	$ d_e [e \cdot cm]$
Standard model	$< 10^{-38}$
Left-right symmetric	$10^{-28} \dots 10^{-26}$
Lepton-flavor changing	$10^{-29} \dots 10^{-26}$
Multi-Higgs	$10^{-28} \dots 10^{-27}$
Supersymmetric	$\leq 10^{-25}$
Experimental limit (TI) <sup>38</sup>	$< 1.6 \cdot 10^{-27}$
Experimental limit (YbF) <sup>39</sup>	$< 10.5 \cdot 10^{-28}$
Experimental limit (ThO) <sup>40</sup>	$< 9.6 \cdot 10^{-29}$

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# Outlook

- Hyperfine interaction constants for an experimentally known diatomic molecule comparison with our calculations (WC<sup>41</sup>)
- Scalar-pseudoscalar  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  odd electron-nucleon interaction constant  $W_{P,T}$
- Study of other diatomic molecules (in particular ThF<sup>+</sup> (JILA, Boulder), WC (Leanhart, Ann Arbor))
- Nuclear Schiff moment electronic-structure study (diamagnetic systems)

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