

Measurements of the TUCAN vertical UCN source heat load response and UCN polarization

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The TUCAN collaboration, or TRIUMF Ultra Cold Advanced Neutron source collaboration, is a Canadian-Japanese collaboration



Motivation

Hamiltonian \hat{H} describes equations of motion of a neutron

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{H} &= -d\vec{E} \cdot \vec{S} - \mu\vec{B} \cdot \vec{S} \\ &= \hbar\omega \quad \leftarrow \text{General solution}\end{aligned}$$

$$\hbar\omega_{1\uparrow} = 2\mu B - 2dE$$

$$\hbar\omega_{1\downarrow} = 2\mu B - 2dE$$

Trying to measure this

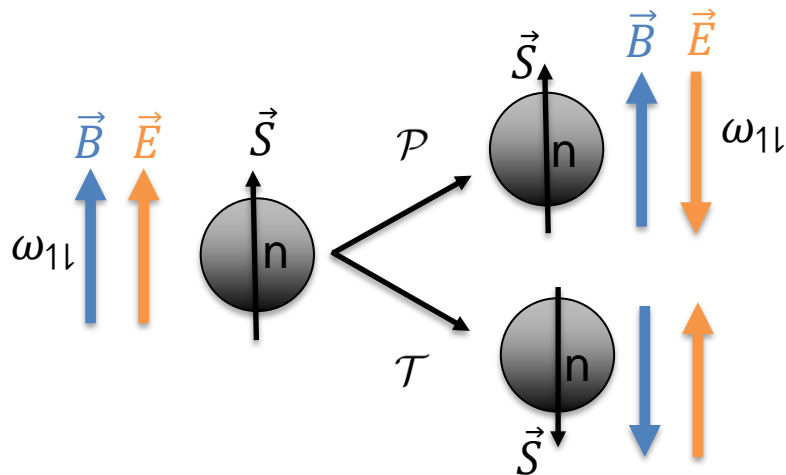
$$d = \frac{\hbar\Delta\omega}{4E}$$

$$\Delta\omega = \omega_{1\uparrow} - \omega_{1\downarrow}$$

Limits by Abel et al.(2020) is $|d_n| < 1.8 \times 10^{-26}$ e cm @ PSI, Switzerland

TUCAN's goal ultimate goal is $|d_n| < 10^{-27}$ e cm

$$\hat{H} \neq \mathcal{P}(\hat{H}) = -\vec{d} \cdot (-\vec{E}) - \vec{\mu} \cdot \vec{B}$$



$$\hat{H} \neq \mathcal{T}(\hat{H}) = -(-\vec{d}) \cdot \vec{E} - (-\vec{\mu}) \cdot (-\vec{B})$$

$$\text{EDM } \vec{d} = d\vec{S}$$

Time Reversal – violating

Parity – violating

therefore violating combined CP

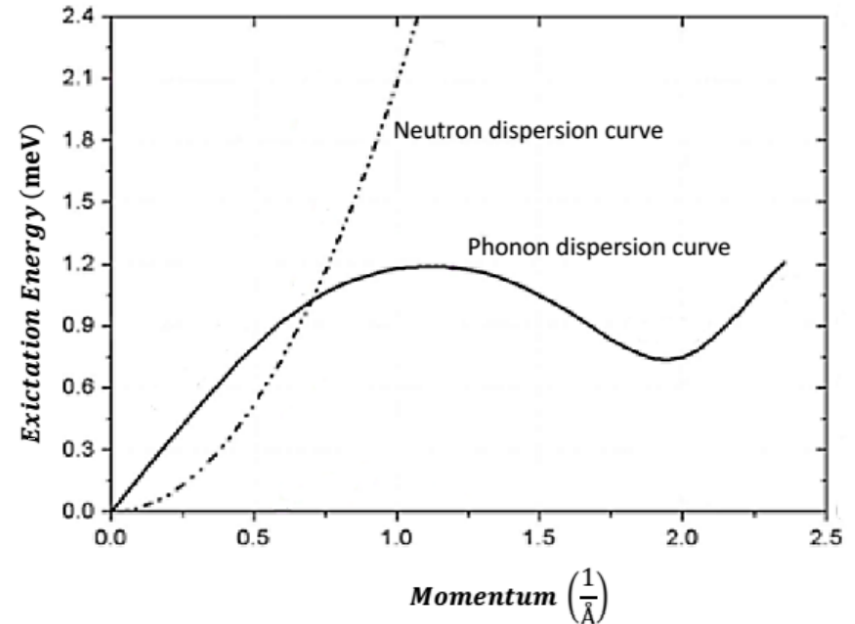
nEMD Experiment

- UCN Production
- Polarization
- Low field NMR sequence
- Detection of final polarization state

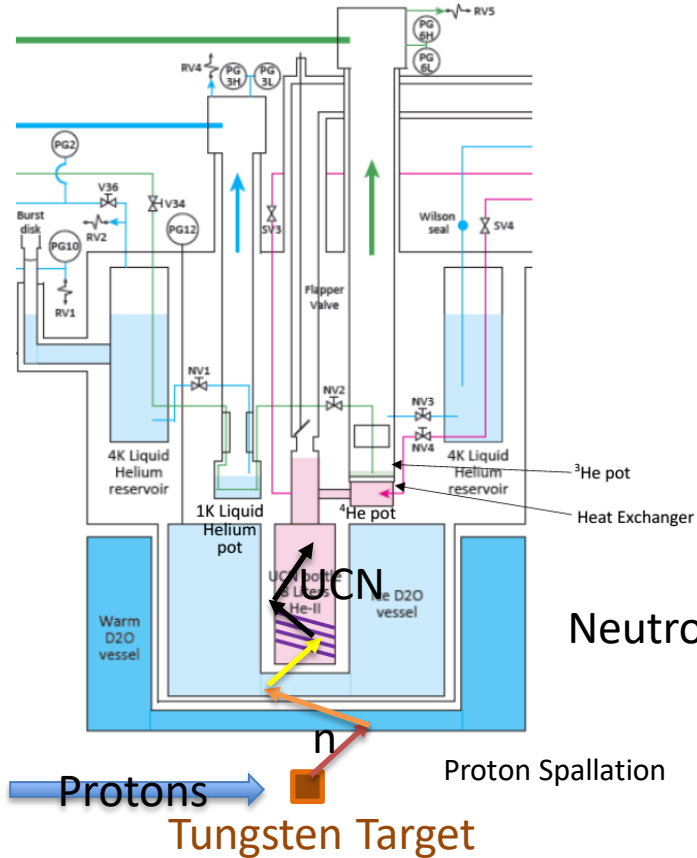
$$\sigma_d \cong \frac{\hbar}{2\alpha TE\sqrt{N}}$$

neutron – super fluid Helium interaction

- The neutrons can exchange energy and create phonon excitations in the superfluid helium



Ultracold Neutron Production



- Super fluid ^4He is cooled using a ^3He evaporation based heat exchanger in thermal contact
- ^4He is used since its low neutron cross section

Production of UCN $\propto T^{-7}$

Neutrons cool to UCN

Cryostat Model

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{q_V}{\rho c} + \alpha \Delta T$$

} Standard Heat equation

Temp Change

Heat input

How the material reacted to heat changes

A time dependent modified Gorter-Mellink equation

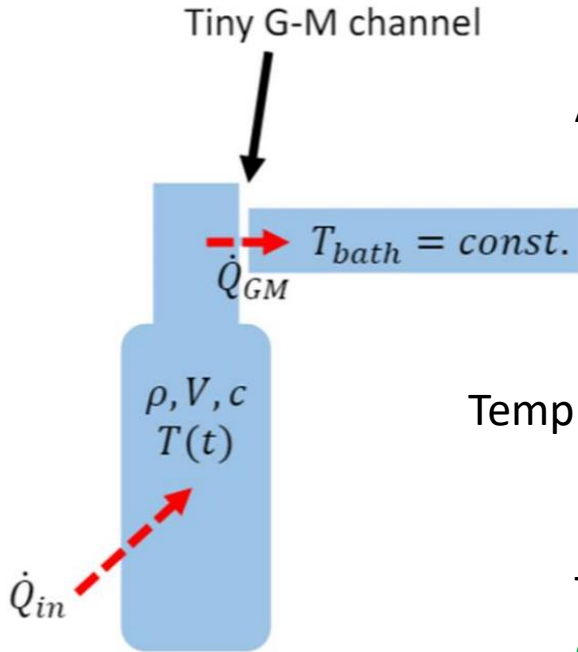
$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{(\dot{Q}_{in}/V)}{\rho c} - \frac{1}{\rho V c} \left[\frac{A}{l} \int_{T_{bath}}^{T(t)} dT' f^{-1}(T', SVP) \right]^{1/3}$$

Temp Change

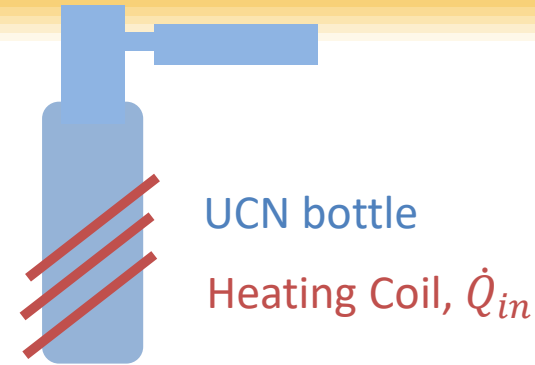
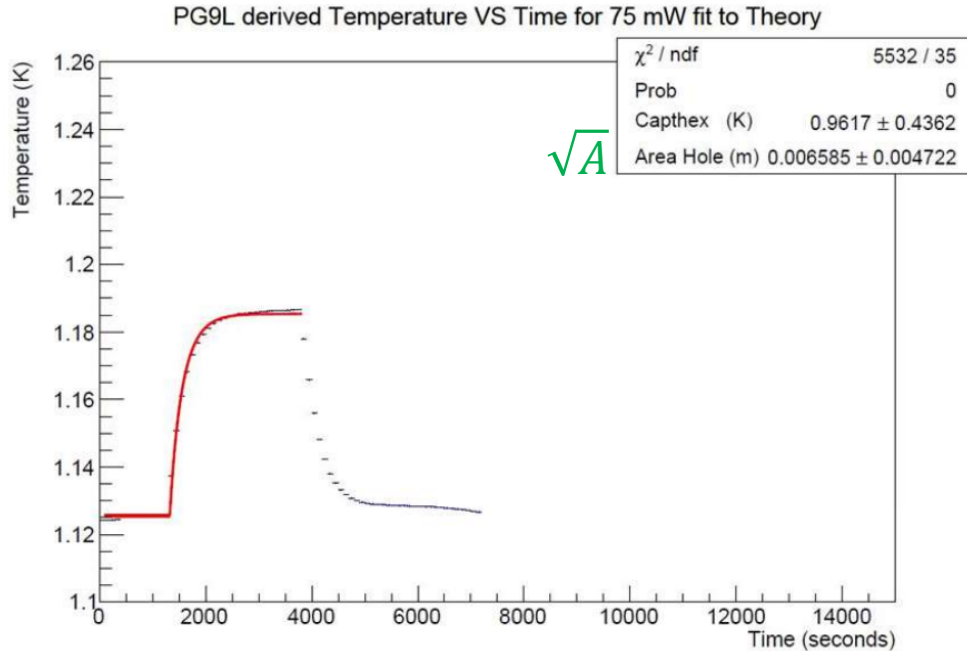
Heat input

Model how helium reacted to heat changes

To test model we can solve numerically and predict the **dimensions of the channel** and compare to real life



Heater Tests



Heating with a coil to mimic beam heating during irradiation from proton beam

Conclusions

The model is able to produce slow temperature rise
The dimensions of the hole qualitatively close

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Statistical uncertainty of d

$$\sigma_d \cong \frac{\hbar}{2\alpha TE\sqrt{N}}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{n_{\uparrow} - n_{\downarrow}}{n_{\uparrow} + n_{\downarrow}}$$

Polarizing Foils and SCM

$$V_{F,eff} = V_{F,Fe} \pm 60 \text{ neV/T} \cdot B$$

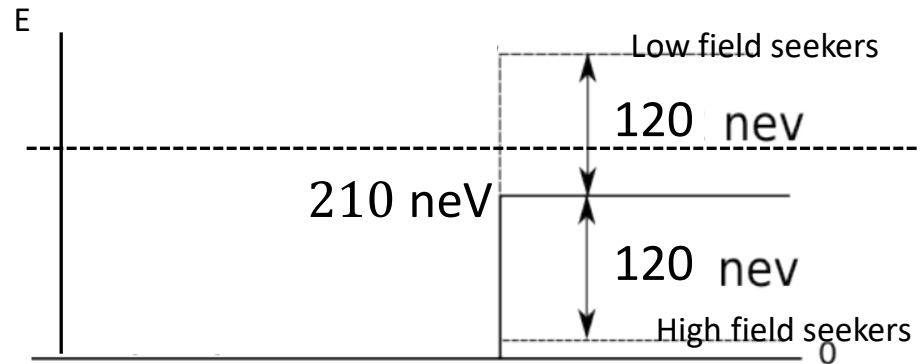
Magnetic field changes potential due to spins

Thin iron foils saturate magnetization

- Have internal field 2 T

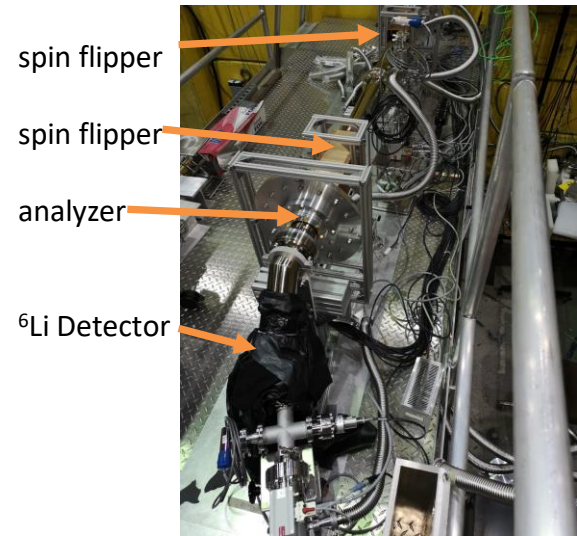
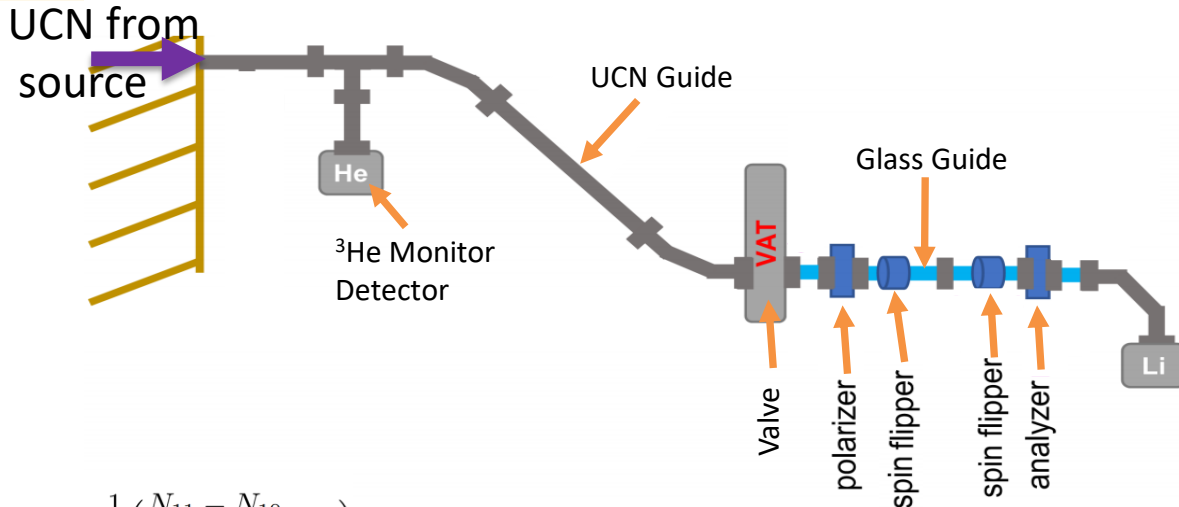
One Polarization state will be let through, the other will be reflected

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Super Conducting Magnet provides large enough B field to polarize

Analyzer and Spin Flipper Experiment



$$f_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{N_{11} - N_{10}}{N_{00} - N_{01}} + 1 \right)$$

f_1 is the spin flipping efficiency of spin flipper 1

$$p_A = \sqrt{\frac{N_{00} - N_{10}}{N_{00} + N_{10}}}$$

N_{nm} is the neutron counts

n denotes the power state of the first spin flipper, m the second spin flipper, with $n, m = 0$ (off) or 1 (on).

Polarizing foil $p_A = 60 \pm 2 \%$
 Spin flipper efficiency is $f_{1,2} = 97 \pm 3 \%$

Monte Carlo Simulations

A UCN Monte Carlo is used to get the strict internal polarization power of the foils

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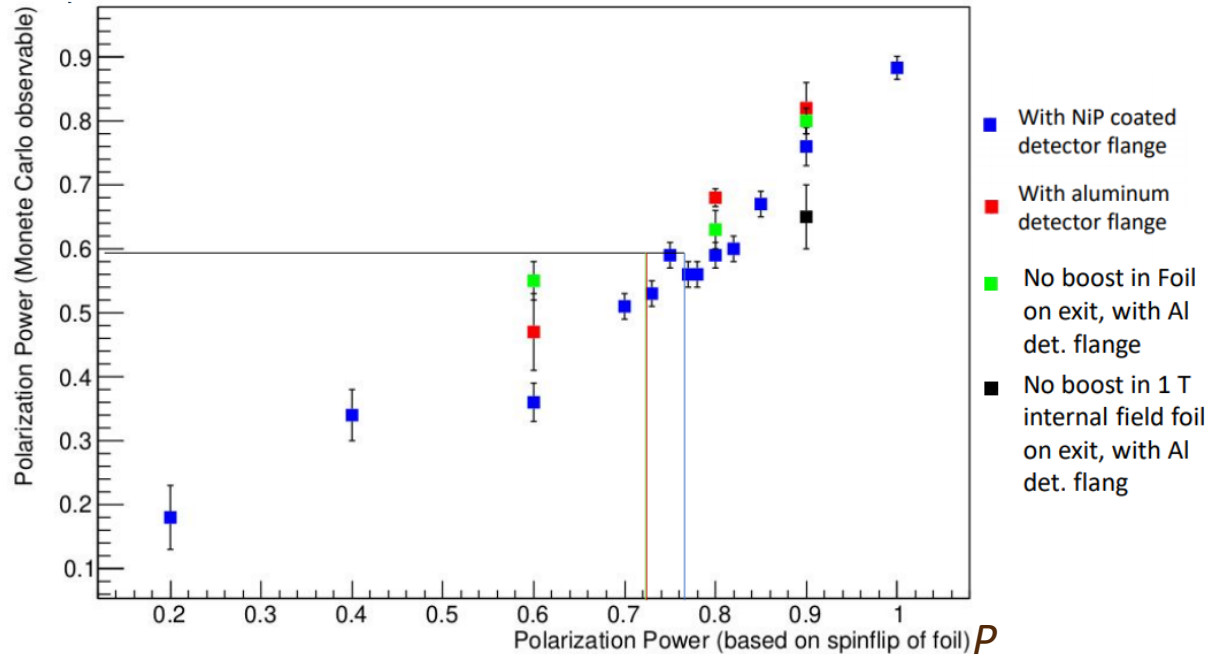
Comparison the observable polarization power

$$p_a = \sqrt{\frac{(N_{11} - N_{10})^2}{N_{11}N_{00} - N_{01}^2}}$$

Taking spin flippers f_1 and f_2 into account

p_A

Foil Depolarization versus Polarization Power



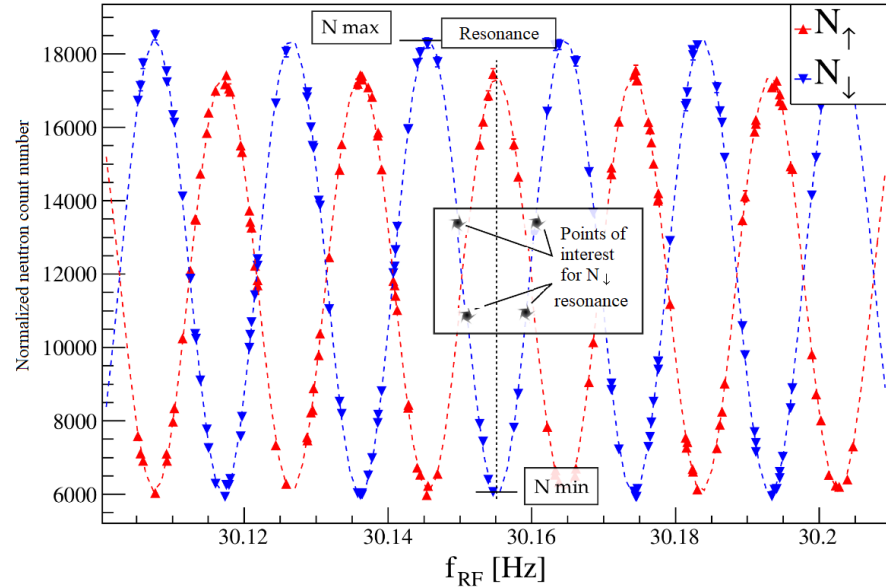
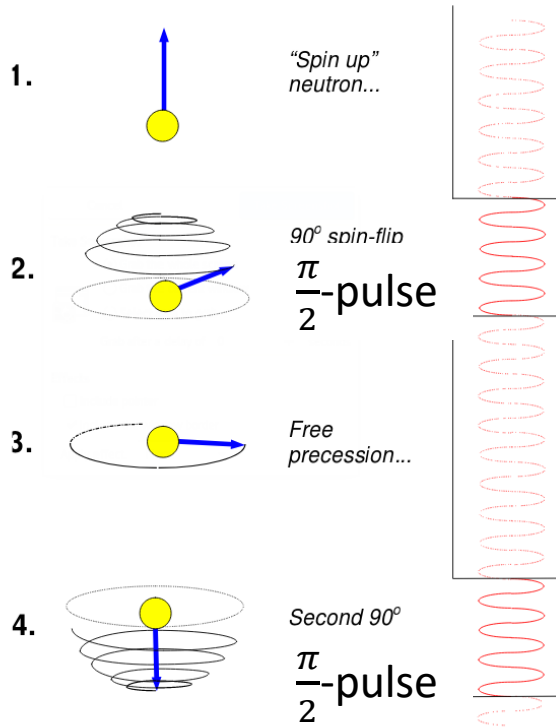
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Question time

POLARIZATION MEASUREMENT OF UCN

Ramsey Sequence for nEDM measurement

$$P(\uparrow; \downarrow) = P(\omega_{RF}, T, B_0, B_1)$$



Frequency Detection

EDM Measurement is a frequency difference measurement between polarized atoms in E-field

- Zeeman levels due to μ in B-field
- Shift due to d in E-field

$$\hbar\nu_{\parallel} - \hbar\nu_{\parallel} = 4 d E$$

$$\hbar\Delta\nu = 4 d E$$

$$d_n = \frac{\hbar\Delta\nu}{4E}$$

- Change in frequency from E-field is d the measurements

Error from the experiment is given by $\sigma_n \cong \frac{\hbar}{2\alpha TE\sqrt{N}}$

$$\hat{H} = -d \frac{\vec{J}}{J} \cdot \vec{E} - \mu \frac{\vec{J}}{J} \cdot \vec{B}$$

