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T-violating observables in neutron decay - experimental opportunities

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Outline

- \Box T-odd correlations in neutron β -decay
- D- and R-correlations
- Experiments in the past: emit, Trine and nTRV
- \Box emit+Trine+nTRV together (?) \rightarrow BRAND
- Potential benefits of BRAND
- T-odd correlation in radiative neutron decay
- Challenges and strategy
- Conclusions

TRV tests

True TRV tests require (i) reversal of motion and (ii) exchange of initial and final states



In particle decay exchange of initial and final states is impossible Particle decay:



If interaction violates TR symmetry:

D- and **R**-correlations

In ordinary neutron decay, two observables are particularly interesting

 $\mathbf{D} \sim \langle \mathbf{J} \rangle / J \cdot (\mathbf{p}_{e} \times \mathbf{p}_{v}) \qquad \mathbf{R} \sim \langle \mathbf{J} \rangle / J \cdot (\mathbf{p}_{e} \times \boldsymbol{\sigma})$

D-correlation (C-odd, P-even, T-odd)

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dE_e d\Omega_e d\Omega_{\overline{\nu}}} = S\left(E_e\right) \left[1 + a \frac{\mathbf{p}_e \cdot \mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_e E_{\overline{\nu}}} + b \frac{m_e}{E_e} + \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \left(A \frac{\mathbf{p}_e}{E_e} + B \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \mathbf{D} \frac{\mathbf{p}_e \times \mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_e E_{\overline{\nu}}}\right)\right]$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \square \ \mathbf{R}\text{-correlation (C-even, P-odd, T-odd)} \\ \frac{d\Gamma}{dE_e d\Omega_e} = S\left(E_e\right) \left[1 + b\frac{m_e}{E_e} + A\frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}_e}{E_e} + G\frac{\mathbf{p}_e \cdot \mathbf{\sigma}}{E_e} + \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \left(Q\frac{\mathbf{p}_e}{E_e}\frac{\mathbf{p}_e \cdot \mathbf{\sigma}}{E_e + m_e} + N\mathbf{\sigma} + \mathbf{R}\frac{\mathbf{p}_e \times \mathbf{\sigma}}{E_e}\right) \right] \\ \frac{d\Gamma}{dE_e d\Omega_e} = S\left(E_e\right) \left[1 + b\frac{m_e}{E_e} + \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \left(A\frac{\mathbf{p}_e}{E_e} + N\mathbf{\sigma}_{\perp} + \mathbf{R}\frac{\mathbf{p}_e \times \mathbf{\sigma}_{\perp}}{E_e}\right)\right]; \quad \mathbf{\sigma}_{\perp} \perp \mathbf{p}_e \end{array}$$

D-correlation

J.D. Jackson et al., Phys. Rev. 106, 517 (1957); J.D. Jackson et al., Nucl. Phys. 4, 206 (1957); M.E. Ebel et al., Nucl. Phys. 4, 213 (1957)

□ For left-handed V-A interactions $(C_V = C'_V, C_A = C'_V)$, defining $\lambda = C_A/C_V$, neglecting terms quadratic in C_S and C_T , point charge, no recoil:

$$D = D_{\gamma} + D_{FSI} \approx D_{\gamma} + 1.2 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$D_{\gamma} \approx \frac{1}{1+3|\lambda|^{2}} \left\{ -2 \frac{\operatorname{Im}(C_{V}C_{A}^{*})}{|C_{V}|^{2}} + \frac{\operatorname{Im}(C_{S}C_{T}^{*} + C'_{S}C'_{T}^{*})}{|C_{V}|^{2}} \right\}$$

$$+ \frac{\alpha m}{p_{e}} \frac{1}{1+3|\lambda|^{2}} \operatorname{Re}\left(\lambda^{*} \frac{C_{T}^{*} + C'_{T}}{C_{A}^{*}} - \lambda^{*} \frac{C_{S} + C'_{S}}{C_{V}}\right)$$

$$D_{\mathcal{T}} \approx \frac{1}{1+3|\lambda|^2} \Big\{ 2\sin\phi_{AV} + \operatorname{Im} \Big(S^+ T^{+*} + S^- T^{-*} \Big) \Big\}; \quad S^{\pm} = \frac{C_S \pm C'_S}{C_V}, \ T^{\pm} = \frac{C_T \pm C'_T}{C_A} \Big\}$$
$$D_{\mathcal{T}}^{VA} \approx 0.435 \, \sin\phi_{AV}$$

D-correlation, emit-II

• emiT-II (NIST):

- NG6 cold neutron beam
- Longitudinally polarized (~0.95) in the fiducial volume
- Compact, symmetric setup with azimuthally alternating electron- and proton-detectors
- Proton detectors segmented (4x4 cm²) SBD, accelerating potential ~25 kV



D-correlation, emit-II

Acquired information

- e-p coincidences, ToF
- Electron energy
- (Accelerated) proton energy
- □ Isolation of **D** using:
 - Symmetry of detectors
 - Periodic neutron spin flip







emiT blind analysis



Efficiency independent ratio,

$$w^{p_i e_j} = \frac{N_+^{p_i e_j} - N_-^{p_i e_j}}{N_+^{p_i e_j} + N_-^{p_i e_j}} + \mathcal{B}\hat{z} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{K}}_D^{p_i e_j}$$
hidden blind offset

w is sensitive to *D*, but also to *A*, *B* Define a parameter,

$$v^{p_i} = \frac{1}{2} (w^{p_i R} - w^{p_i L})$$

For a symmetric uniform detector,

$$v^{p_i} = PD\hat{z} \cdot \left(\tilde{\mathbf{K}}_D^{p_i e_R} - \tilde{\mathbf{K}}_D^{p_i e_L} \right)$$

Instrumental constant

$$\propto \int \frac{p_e \times p_p}{E_e E_p} d\Omega_a d\Omega_2 dV_{beam}$$

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D-correlation, emit-II

Result

 $D = [-0.94 \pm 1.89(\text{stat}) \pm 0.97(\text{sys})] \times 10^{-4}$ $\phi_{AV} = 180.012^{\circ} \pm 0.028^{\circ} (68\% \text{ C.L.})$



T. E. Chupp, R. L. Cooper, K. P. Coulter, S. J. Freedman, B. K. Fujikawa, A. Garcia, G. L. Jones, H. P. Mumm, J. S. Nico, A. K. Thompson, C. A. Trull, F. E. Wietfeldt, and J. F. Wilkerson, Phys. Rev. C 86, 035505 (2012)

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emiT II : Systematics & Corrections

	Source	Correction	Uncertainty	(×10 ⁻⁴)
	Background asymmetry	$0^{\mathbf{a}}$	0.30	
	Background subtraction	0.03	0.003	
	Electron backscattering	0.11	0.03	
	Proton backscattering	$0^{\mathbf{a}}$	0.03	
	Beta threshold	0.04	0.10	
\rightarrow	Proton threshold	-0.29	0.41	
\longrightarrow	Beam expansion, magnetic field	-1.50	0.40	
	Polarization non-uniformity	$0^{\mathbf{a}}$	0.10	
	ATP - misalignment	-0.07	0.72	
	ATP - Twist	$0^{\mathbf{a}}$	0.24	
	Spin-correlated flux ^b	$0^{\mathbf{a}}$	3×10^{-6}	
	Spin-correlated pol.	$0^{\mathbf{a}}$	5×10^{-4}	
	Polarization ^c		0.04^{d}	
	$\bar{K}_D^{\ c}$		0.03	
	Total systematic corrections	-1.68	1.01	
	Most of systematic effects were MC modelled			

^a Zero indicates no correction applied.

^b Includes spin-flip time, cycle asymmetry, and flux variation.

^c Included in the definition of D.

^d Assumed polarization uncertainty of 5%

Future Measurement

emiT-II+NGC

- The new NGC beam line could provide over a factor of 10 increase in neutron flux
 Current emiT apparatus might be capable of reaching 2–3 x 10⁻⁵ with modest upgrades and improvements.
- At this level one should see the effect of final state effects.
- No definite plan at this time starting to think about it.



Future Measurement, sensitivity

- The 'full' NGC beam line would provide x 4.3
- Current emiT apparatus ~50 cm, 2 m feasible; x 4.
- Possible beta and proton detection with same detector x 2 .

Statistically a dataset ~1500x larger is imaginable (not crazy)

Ultimate sensitivity ~ 40 x better

- Hope to detect protons and electrons with one detector (or a layered detector)
- Reduce required proton acceleration voltage (improve energy resolution)
- Exploring detector ideas (bolometer, thin foils, hybrids)
- Test cryostat, dil fridge, beamline avialable, proof-of-principle?
- Feasible?
- How to proceed?

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D-correlation, **Trine**

T. Soldner, L. Beck, C. Plonka, K. Schreckenbach, O. Zimmer, Phys. Lett. B 581 (2004) 49

□ Trine (ILL):

- PF1 cold neutron beam
- Longitudinally polarized (~0.97) in the fiducial volume
- Compact setup with planar geometry
- Electron- and proton-detectors in perpendicular planes
- Proton detectors PIN diodes on ground potential
- Accelerating potential: 25 kV
- MWPC for gamma suppression and selection of angular ranges



D-correlation, **Trine**

T. Soldner, L. Beck, C. Plonka, K. Schreckenbach, O. Zimmer, Phys. Lett. B 581 (2004) 49

Excellent S/B ratio of 23

Systematic effects and corrections

$$\begin{split} D &= [-2.8 \pm 6.4 (\text{stat}) \pm 3.0 (\text{syst})] \times 10^{-4} \\ &= (-2.8 \pm 7.1) \times 10^{-4}. \end{split} \qquad \phi_{\text{AV}} = 180.04^{\circ} \pm 0.09^{\circ} \end{split}$$

Table 1

Corrections and uncertainties of the experimental values. All values are given in units of 10⁻⁴

	9	8°	130°	
	Correction	Systematic error	Correction	Systematic error
Asymmetry of beam profile (a)	+0.9	2.0	+0.3	1.5
Scintillator calibration (b)		1.3		0.8
Different spatial dependences (c)		0.3		0.1
Different energy resolutions (d)		0.2		0.1
Asymmetry of scintillator (e)		3.0		1.1
Inhomogeneity of MWPC (f)		2.3		1.6
Size of symmetrisation range (g)		1.0		1.0
Polarisation		0.2		0.07
Detector solid angles		0.3		0.1
Combined systematic error		4.6		2.8

D-correlation with ep/n + MagSpec ?

e.g. G. Konrad et al., J. Phys.: Conf. Series 340 (2012) 012048



R-correlation

□ For left-handed V-A interactions $(C_V = C'_V, C_A = C'_V)$, defining $\lambda = C_A/C_V$, neglecting terms quadratic in C_S and C_T , point charge, no recoil:

$$R = R_{\gamma} + R_{FSI} \approx R_{\gamma} - \frac{\alpha m}{p_{e}} A_{SM} = R_{\gamma} + 9 \times 10^{-4}$$

$$R_{\gamma} \approx \frac{1}{1+3|\lambda|^{2}} \left\{ 4 \frac{\operatorname{Im}(C_{T}C_{A}^{*} + C_{T}C_{A}^{*})}{|C_{V}|^{2}} + 2 \frac{\operatorname{Im}(C_{S}C_{A}^{*} + C_{S}^{*}C_{A}^{*} - C_{V}C_{T}^{*} - C_{V}C_{T}^{*})}{|C_{V}|^{2}} \right\}$$

$$R_{FSI} \approx -\frac{\alpha m}{p_{e}} \frac{1}{1+3|\lambda|^{2}} \operatorname{Re}[2\lambda(\lambda+1)]$$

$$R_{\gamma} \approx \frac{-|\lambda|}{1+3|\lambda|^{2}} \operatorname{Im}(S^{+}) + \frac{|\lambda|(1-2|\lambda|)}{1+3|\lambda|^{2}} \operatorname{Im}(T^{+}); \quad S^{\pm} = \frac{C_{S} \pm C_{S}^{*}}{C_{V}}, \quad T^{\pm} = \frac{C_{T} \pm C_{T}}{C_{A}}$$

$$R_{\gamma} \approx -0.218 \operatorname{Im}(S^{+}) + 0.335 \operatorname{Im}(T^{+})$$

N-correlation N is C-even, P-even and T-even p_{v} J_{n} P_{p} σ_{e} p_{e}

$$N = N_{T} + N_{SM} \approx N_{T} - A_{SM} \frac{m}{E_{e}} = N_{T} + 7.9 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$N_{SM} \approx -\frac{m}{E_{e}} \frac{1}{1+3|\lambda|^{2}} \operatorname{Re} \left[2\lambda (\lambda+1) \right]$$

$$N_{T} \approx \frac{-|\lambda|}{1+3|\lambda|^{2}} \operatorname{Re} \left(S^{+} \right) + \frac{|\lambda| (1-2|\lambda|)}{1+3|\lambda|^{2}} \operatorname{Re} \left(T^{+} \right); \quad S^{\pm} = \frac{C_{S} \pm C'_{S}}{C_{V}}, \quad T^{\pm} = \frac{C_{T} \pm C'_{T}}{C_{A}}$$

$$N_{T} \approx -0.218 \operatorname{Re} \left(S^{+} \right) + 0.335 \operatorname{Re} \left(T^{+} \right)$$

Electron spin analysis

Mott scattering:

- Analyzing power caused by spin-orbit force
- Parity and time reversal conserving (electromagnetic process)
- Sensitive exclusively to the transverse polarization



nTRV@PSI - Mott polarimeter

Challenges:

- Weak and diffuse decay source
- Electron depolarization in multiple Coulomb scattering
- Low energy electrons (<783 keV)
- High background (n-capture)

Solutions:

- Tracking of electrons in lowmass, low-Z MWPCs
- Identification of Mottscattering vertex ("V-track")
- Frequent neutron spin flipping
- "foil-in" and "foil-out" measurements



Limits on S and T contributions



Systematic uncertainties in nTRV@PSI

Dominating systematic uncertainties

Source	$\delta N \times 10^4$	$\delta R \times 10^4$	
1. term $P\beta A\mathcal{F}$	5	23	_
2. effective Sherman function \bar{S}	29	8	
3. guiding field misalignment	3	6	
4. background subtraction	46	53	
5. dead time variations	8	0.3	
Total	55	59	- J

Sample of analyzed data

- 1. Combined error from uncertainties of:
 - a) Neutron polarization
 - b) Low energy cut
 - c) Decay asymmetry A measurement (R, N were measured relatively to A)
 - d) Statistical precision of geometry factors
- 2. Mott target thickness nonuniformity
- 3. Guiding field map
- 4. High background (to be subtracted) due to guiding neutron beam in He atmosphere
- 5. Properties of Front End electronics and DAQ



R- and **D**-correlation in one setup ?

10 cm





- Neutron beam in vacuum
- Axial geometry
- Alternating position sensitive e- and p-detectors
- Electron tracking
- Proton ToF
- Electron spin analysis with Mott scattering

BRAND concept

BRAND concept



Transverse electron polarization

Measuring electron- and proton-momentum and transverse electron polarization:

$$d\Gamma \sim 1 + \boldsymbol{a} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \boldsymbol{b} \frac{m_{e}}{E_{e}} + \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \left[\boldsymbol{A} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} + \boldsymbol{B} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \boldsymbol{D} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \times \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} \right] + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\perp} \cdot \left[\boldsymbol{H} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \boldsymbol{L} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \times \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \boldsymbol{N} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} + \boldsymbol{R} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \times \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \right] + \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\perp} \cdot \left[\boldsymbol{S} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \boldsymbol{U} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} + \boldsymbol{V} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} \times \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \right]$$

- \mathbf{p}_{e} electron momentum \mathbf{p}_{ν} neutrino momentum σ_{\perp} electron spin projection direction
- All correlation coefficients can be expressed as combinations of real and imaginary parts of exotic (scalar and tensor) couplings:

$$X = X_{V-A} + X_{FSI} + c_{ReS} \operatorname{Re} S + c_{ReT} \operatorname{Re} T + c_{ImS} \operatorname{Im} S + c_{ImT} \operatorname{Im} T$$

 $\mathbf{S} = \frac{C_s + C_s'}{C_v}, \quad \mathbf{T} = \frac{C_T + C_T'}{C_A}, \quad c_{\text{Re}S}, c_{\text{Re}T}, c_{\text{Im}S}, c_{\text{Im}T} - \text{functions of } \lambda = C_A/C_v \text{ and kinematical quantities}$

Sensitivity factors for scalar and tensor couplings (leading order, no recoil, point charge)

	$\mathbf{SM}\left(\lambda ight)$	FSI (λ)	c(ReS)	c(Re <i>T</i>)	c(ImS)	c(Im <i>T</i>)
а	-0.1048	0	-0.1714 [†]	0.1714 [†]	-0.0007	+0.0012
b	0	0	+0.1714	+0.8286	0	0
A	-0.1172	0	0	0	-0.0009	+0.0014
В	+0.9876	0	-0.1264	+0.1945	0	0
D	0	0	+0.0009	-0.0009	0	0
H	+0.0609	0	-0.1714	+0.2762	0	0
L	0	-0.0004	0	0	+0.1714	-0.2762
N	+0.0681	0	-0.2176	+0.3348	0	0
R	0	+0.0005	0	0	-0.2176	+0.3348
S	0	-0.0018	+0.2176	-0.2176	0	0
U	0	0	-0.2176	+0.2176	0	0
V	0	0	0	0	-0.2176	+0.2172

* Kinematical factor averaged over electron kinetic energy $E_{\rm k}$ = (200,783) keV

⁺ $(|C_{S}|^{2}+|C'_{S}|^{2})/2$ instead of ReS and $(|C_{T}|^{2}+|C'_{T}|^{2})/2$ instead of ReT, respectively

Cancellation effects are insignificant for transverse electron polarization related correlation coefficients !!!

BRAND – kinematical sensitivity maps



Figure 4: Sensitivity maps for the *N*, *R*, *H*, *L*, *S*, *U* and *V* coefficient as a function of the polar electron angle $\theta_{\rm e}$ or the relative electron-proton angle and the azimuthal spin projection angle $\phi_{\rm s}$ (arbitrary units). Irregularities in contours are due to limited statistics in simulations. The kinematical acceptance is defined by $E_{\rm e}^{\rm kin} \in (200,782) \, \text{keV}, E_{\rm p}^{\rm kin} \in (50,760) \, \text{eV}, \theta_{\rm e} \in (45^{\circ},135^{\circ}), \theta_{\rm p} \in (30^{\circ},150^{\circ}).$

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Impact of H, L, N, R, S, U and V measurement with anticipated accuracy of 5×10^{-4}



Impact of *H*, *L*, *N*, *R*, *S*, *U* and *V* measurement with anticipated accuracy of 5×10^{-4}

Translated into EFT parameters



V-correlation



BRAND – methods, expected performance, strategy

Experimental methods:

- Measure decay electrons and *e-p* coincidences
- Electron tracking in hexagonal, low Z, low pressure MWDC
- *p-e* conversion followed by *e* detection in scintillator (ToF, position)
- Decay vertex reconstruction
- Electron spin analysis by Mott scattering (vertex reconstruction)
- BRAND is based on experimentally proven methods (nTRV@PSI)
- Overall systematic uncertainty floor achieved in nTRV@PSI:
 - N correlation: 4×10⁻³
 - **R** correlation: 5×10⁻³
- Gradual improvement of exp. accuracy (systematic uncertainty):

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 4\times10^{-3} & & 2\times10^{-3} & & 1\times10^{-3} & \rightarrow & 5\times10^{-4} \\ & & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & & & & & & \\ & & &$$

Theoretical corrections (SM)

□ Final State Interaction (FSI)

- Exist calculations sufficient for *a*, *b*, *A*, *B*, *D*, *R* and *N* coefficients measurements with accuracy of 10⁻⁴
- For H, L, S, U and V coefficients FSI correction exist only in lowest order (point charge) approximation

Recoil order corrections (ROC)

- Main contribution from Weak Magnetism
- No ROC exist for H, L, S, U and V

V. Gudkov, et al., 77, 045502 (2008). A.N. Ivanov et al., Phys. Rev. C 95, 055502 (2017). A.N. Ivanov et al., Phys. Rev. C 98, 035503 (2018). curtesy of J. Nico



Motivation:

- Improve measurement of branching ratio and measure energy spectrum.
- Investigate a basic process in the fundamental semileptonic decay.
- Test QED in a weak process at 1% level.

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RDK II Experiment: Precision BR and Spectrum



RDK II Results:

- Measured radiative spectrum over 3 decades of energy using two detectors (400 eV to endpoint of 782 keV).
- Improved measurement of the branching ratio. Results consistent with theory.
- First measurement of the shape of the photon energy spectrum (≈1% level)

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Prospects with Radiative Decay

Future Possibilities:

- Improve precision to test chiral perturbation theory calculation and recoil order corrections.
- Determination of other correlations using photon as a tag.
- Novel ideas in radiative neutron decay:
 - photon polarization, *i.e.*, non V-A currents (Bernard et al., PLB 2004)
 - examine new class of angular correlations

T-odd Momentum Correlation:

- Measure triple-product correlation of decay-product momenta $\mathbf{k}_{e} \cdot (\mathbf{k}_{p} \times \mathbf{K}_{y})$
- Correlation is P and T odd but spin independent; sensitive to sources of CP violation not constrained by EDMs (Gardner and He, PRD 86 (2012) and PRD 87 (2013))
- Possible experiments in neutron and nuclear (Ne-19, Ar-35) decay systems
- Experimentally, design **annular detector** (emiT-style) to detect neutron decay products with high efficiency and good solid angle coverage
- Mount experiment at high-flux beam line (e.g., NG-C gives x10 increase over NG-6)
- Avoid incremental improvements: investigate new detector technologies (e.g., bolometers)

T-odd landscape in n-decay

In neutron decay correlation experiments, three major projects are expected to deliver T-odd observables:

emiT-III+T-oddRDK @NGC(NIST)

- Observable: **D** (ϕ_{AV} , ImS, ImT)
- Anticipated improvement x40 (compared to emiT-II) - entering sensitivity of <10⁻⁵ (FSI will be visible)
- Basic techniques as in emit-II
- Possible development of detectors: cryogenic particle detection - join efforts with T-oddRDK
- Observable: k_e·(k_p×K) (CPV not constrained by EDMs)

BRAND @PF1B(ILL)/ESS

- Observables: $V(\phi_{AV}, ImS, ImT)$, R (ImS, ImT), L (ImS, ImT), D (ϕ ImS ImT)
 - **D** (ϕ_{AV} , ImS, ImT)
- Gradual improvement up to x30 (compared to nTRV) - (FSI will be visible)
- Basic techniques: combination of emiT-II, Trine and nTRV
- Systematic effects assessment via mapping, calibration and direct measurement (MC confirmed)
- Development of proton detectors
- T-even obs.: *a*, *A*, *B*, *H*, *N*, *S*, *U* (ReS, ReT),

Conclusions

- emiT-III@NGC(NIST) is oriented mainly towards better constraining ϕ_{AV}
- Relatively low-risk project; if funded, would improve current limit by factor of 5-10 in 4-5 years; further improvement depends on cryogenic particle detection
- T-oddRDK@NGC(NIST) is a pioneering experiment to search for CPV that cannot be constrained by EDM
- Largely depends on development of cryogenic particle detection join efforts with emiT-III would be natural
- BRAND@PF1B(ILL)/ESS is devoted mainly to search for scalar and tensor currents
- "younger" than **emiT** can be classified as **nTRV-II**
- Statistical sensitivity for *H*, *L*, *N*, *R*, *S*, *U* and *V* is 30 times lower than for *D*
- Statistical sensitivity for **D**-correlation in full size BRAND will be comparable to emiT-III
- Complementarities and synergies:
 - BRAND has main competition from: (i) HE $pp \rightarrow e + MET$ and (ii) spectrum shape (Fierz term) in n-decay
 - emiT-III and BRAND apply different strategies for assessment of systematic errors
 - Some of systematic effects in emiT-III and BRAND can be compared for e.g.
 D-coefficient
 - Planned R&D for proton detection towards reduction of the accelerating field is important for both projects
Backup slides

Neutron β-decay correlations

Given For β transition with vector polarization of parent $\langle J \rangle / J$ (e.g. neutron decay):

$$\partial \Gamma \sim 1 + \boldsymbol{a} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \boldsymbol{b} \frac{m_{e}}{E_{e}} + \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \left[\mathbf{A} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} + \mathbf{B} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \mathbf{D} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \times \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} \right] + \cdots + \sigma \cdot \left[\mathbf{G} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} + \mathbf{H} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \mathbf{K} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} + \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \mathbf{L} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \times \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \mathbf{N} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \right] \\ + \sigma \cdot \left[\mathbf{Q} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e} + m_{e}} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} + \mathbf{R} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \times \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} + \mathbf{S} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} + \mathbf{T} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} \right] \\ + \sigma \cdot \left[\mathbf{U} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \cdot \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} + \mathbf{V} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} \times \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} + \mathbf{W} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e} + m_{e}} \frac{\langle \mathbf{J} \rangle}{J} \frac{\mathbf{p}_{e}}{E_{e}} \times \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\overline{\nu}}}{E_{\overline{\nu}}} \right]$$

 \mathbf{p}_{e} - electron momentum \mathbf{p}_{v} - neutrino momentum σ - electron spin sensing direction

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Suppression of sensitivity to ReS and ReT

 $\hfill\square$ Experimental correlation coefficients related to $p,\,q,\,J$ and σ are deduced form rate asymmetries:

$$ASY = \frac{\Gamma_1 - \Gamma_2}{\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2}; \qquad \mathbf{p} \to -\mathbf{p}, \quad \mathbf{q} \to -\mathbf{q}, \quad \mathbf{J} \to -\mathbf{J}, \quad \boldsymbol{\sigma}_\perp \to -\boldsymbol{\sigma}_\perp$$

Instead of *X* experiments deliver

$$\tilde{X} = \frac{X}{\left(1 + \boldsymbol{b}\frac{m_e}{E_e}\right)} \simeq X_{\rm SM} + X_{\rm FSI} + \left[c_{\rm Re\,S}^X - c_{\rm Re\,S}^b X_{\rm SM} + X_{\rm FSI}\right] \text{ReS} + \left[c_{\rm Re\,T}^X - c_{\rm Re\,T}^b X_{\rm SM} + X_{\rm FSI}\right] \text{ReT} + c_{\rm Im\,S}^X \text{ImS} + c_{\rm Im\,T}^X \text{ImT}$$

- May significantly decrease sensitivity to ReS, ReT (e.g. coefficient B - complete cancellation in pure transitions)
- □ If $X_{V-A} + X_{FSI} \approx 0$, cancellation effects are insignificant !!!

Systematic effects

Depolarization by multiple Coulomb scattering

- From deviations between experimental data (120 keV, 14 MeV) and theory (ELSEPA+Geant4) - presently on 1-2% level
- Can be improved by dedicated measurements with polarized electron beam in the energy range 100-800 keVbe neglected

□ "*g*-2 effect"

- 7 mrad per revolution de-synchronization between spin and momentum
- For 1 mT magnetic field strength can be neglected
- Transverse electron polarization related observables cannot be measured in strong magnetic field !

Systematic effects (cont.)

- Momentum rotation in external electric field of *pe*-converter
 - In uniform field step of 30 kV, incident energy of 100 keV and angle of 45°, momentum vector rotates by about 12°



- Effect decreases with increasing energy and decreasing inc. angle
- In symmetric barrier (e.g. 0–30–0 kV) of uniform field the effect cancels exactly
- It cancels also in asymmetric field barrier, if symmetrically sampled by incidence angles of electrons
- Symmetric barrier appears, if recoil protons are detected using pe conversion technique

BRAND summary

- BRAND project offers systematic exploration of the transverse electron polarization correlation coefficients *R*, *N*, *H*, *L*, *S*, *U*, *V* in neutron β decay (*H*, *L*, *S*, *U*, *V* were never measured before)
- Combined impact of R, N, H, L, S, U, V on BSM physics is comparable (or better) to Fierz term b and reveals completely different systematics
- "HE approach" (tracking, vertex reconstruction) allows to measure in low magnetic field which is necessary for transverse electron polarization)
- Simultaneous measurement of "classical" coefficients a, A, B and D will provide consistency check and comparison of systematic effects specific to high— and low—magnetic field techniques
- Experiment is challenging and not free of risks, however, most of critical techniques were experimentaly verified in pioneering project nTRV@PSI
- Conservative planning and proposed step-by-step approach (3 subsequent phases) mitigate risk of failure

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Planning

	BRAND I	BRAND II	BRAND III					
Site	ILL Grenoble	ILL Grenoble	ESS Lund					
Time	3 - 4 years	3 - 4 years	5-6 years					
Pressure	Ambient	Ambient	300 mbar					
Mott target	Pb (Au)	Pb (Au)	Depleted U					
Coverage of azimuthal angle	1/6	Full	Full					
Statistical precision (goal)								
A	0.0008	0.00008	0.000016					
a, B, D	0.005	0.0005	0.0001					
<i>R</i> , <i>N</i>	0.01	0.001	0.0002					
H, L, S, U, V	0.02	0.002	0.0004					
Systematic errors								
R, N, H, L, S, U, V	0.002	0.001	0.0005					

Collaboration and commitments

Presently BRAND collaboration consists of:

- JU Krakow: K. Bodek¹⁾, D. Rozpedzik, J. Zejma¹⁾, K. Lojek: e- and p-detectors, front end electronics and DAQ, simulations
- INP PAS Krakow: A. Kozela¹⁾, K. Pysz & Co.: mechanical structure, vacuum window, MWDC tracker, Mott target, Slow Control
- ILL Grenoble: T. Soldner: polarized CN beam and infrastructure, vacuum
- KU Leuven: N. Severijns¹⁾ & Co.: guiding magnetic field
- NCSU Raleigh: A.R. Young (?): pe-converter film



BRAND I, II:

ILL, DC beam, pressure 1 bar, Pb target

BRAND III:

• ESS, pulsed beam, pressure 300 mbar, depleted U target

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n-decay kinematics



Reconstruction of momenta

Actual position of the decay vertex is not known

But:

It **must be located** on the electron trajectory segment coincident with the beam

Neutron decay density distribution in the beam **is known**

Finally:

In extraction of correlation coefficients we sum over momenta ambiguity in vertex position is not essential

Assigned weight is proportional to the decay rate density

Principle of vertex reconstruction with 3-body kinematics



R&D: MWDC hexagonal, low pressure, low Z, charge division









- Expected Mott vertex position uncertainty: $\Delta r = 2 \text{ mm}, \Delta z = 2 \text{ cm};$ $\theta_{Mott} \in (100^{\circ} - 150^{\circ})$
- Expected significant reduction of uncertainty due to background subtraction (>10)

R&D: Vacuum window prototype tests



- Windows sustain
 overpressure of 1.5 2.5 b before rapture
- Long term stability and leakage rate tests ongoing







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R&D: "Proton" detector







COMSOL simulations

250 [mm

▲ 0 ×10⁴







mm

220

200

180

160

140

-60

-40

-20

20

40

30 40 50

60 [mm]



n-decay kinematics



- Measured electron energy, reconstructed proton flight path and measured proton time-of-flight must match !
- Constraints from 3-body kinematics will considerably reduce coincidence time
- □ With 10⁵ decays per second: single rate (per wire) < 1 kHz

Figure-of-Merit for Mott scattering



Electron and proton trajectories and ToF



p-e Time-of-Flight difference ranges from 20 to 100 ns (per 1 cm drift path) for interesting proton energy range 50÷800 eV Bending radii of protons and electrons are similar in the interesting energy ranges: 50÷800 eV for protons and 50÷800 keV for electrons





BRAND 0 - test setup

- Devoted for extensive on-line tests of critical components and beam optimization
- □ Should be operational by late Summer 2018



Figure 8: Layout of the test experiment "BRAND 0". a) Cross section in the plane perpendicular to the beam axis. b) Cross section in the plane containing the beam axis.

FUNSPIN - Polarized Cold Neutron Facility at PSI



Figure 4: Layout of the Polarized Cold Neutron Facility at PSI.

nTRV@PSI - MWPCs, scintillators and electronics



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"V-track" events - on-line display nTRV@PS



nTRV@PSI: Background subtraction



Observations:

- Spectral distribution of background depends weakly on the electron origin
- Substantial contribution from prompt electrons

nTRV@PSI: Neutron polarization from decay asymmetry

$$\mathcal{A}(\gamma) \equiv \frac{N(\gamma, +P_{n}) - N(\gamma, -P_{n})}{N(\gamma, +P_{n}) - N(\gamma, -P_{n})} = \langle \mathbf{P}_{n} \rangle \quad A_{n} \langle \beta \rangle \cos \gamma$$



 Average neutron polarization from decay rate asymmetry ("single-track" events)

 $A_{\rm n} = -0.1173$

Effective kinematical factors

$$\mathcal{A}(\alpha) = \frac{n(+P,\alpha) - n(-P,\alpha)}{n(+P,\alpha) + n(-P,\alpha)}$$
$$= \frac{^{A}P\beta(\alpha)F(\alpha) + PS(\alpha)\left[NG(\alpha) + R\beta(\alpha)\mathcal{H}(\alpha)\right]}{A}$$



nTRV@PSI: Observables

$$\mathcal{A}(\alpha) = \frac{n(+P,\alpha) - n(-P,\alpha)}{n(+P,\alpha) + n(-P,\alpha)}$$
$$= AP\beta(\alpha)\mathcal{F}(\alpha) + PS(\alpha)\left[N\mathcal{G}(\alpha) + \mathcal{R}\beta(\alpha)\mathcal{H}(\alpha)\right]$$

$$S(|\alpha|) = \frac{\sqrt{n(+P,+\alpha)n(-P,-\alpha)} - \sqrt{n(+P,-\alpha)n(-P,+\alpha)}}{\sqrt{n(+P,+\alpha)n(-P,-\alpha)} + \sqrt{n(+P,-\alpha)n(-P,+\alpha)}}$$
$$= N \frac{PSG(|\alpha|)}{\beta(|\alpha|)(1 - A^2P^2\beta^2(|\alpha|)\mathcal{F}^2(|\alpha|))}$$

$$\mathcal{U}(|\alpha|) = \frac{\sqrt{n(+P,+\alpha)n(+P,-\alpha)} - \sqrt{n(-P,+\alpha)n(-P,-\alpha)}}{\sqrt{n(+P,+\alpha)n(+P,-\alpha)} + \sqrt{n(-P,+\alpha)n(-P,-\alpha)}}$$
$$= AP\beta(|\alpha|)\mathcal{F}(|\alpha|) + \mathbb{R}PS(|\alpha|)\mathcal{H}(|\alpha|)$$

nTR	V@P	'SI - fina	ι	Run	Sign.	$\sum (n^+ + n^-)$	$P \times 10^2$
				2003	VV	19000	$80.3 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.6$
results			2004	VV	74000	$44.2 \pm 0.4 \pm 1.5$	
				2006	VV	312000	$80.0 \pm 1.0 \pm 1.5$
				2006	V	111000	$80.0 \pm 1.0 \pm 1.5$
				2007	VV	1747000	$77.4 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.7$
				2007	V	711000	$77.4 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.7$
A. Kozela et al., Phys. Rev. C 85 , 045501				Total		2974000	
(2012)							
Run	Sign.	$N \times 10^{3}$ (Eq. 2)	$N \times$	$(10^3 (Eq.))$	3) <i>I</i>	$R \times 10^3$ (Eq. 2)	$R \times 10^{3}$ (Eq. 4)
2003	VV	$89 \pm 92 \pm 31$	13	$9 \pm 124 \pm$	27 –	$-90 \pm 137 \pm 42$	$-55 \pm 152 \pm 42$
2004	VV	$74 \pm 80 \pm 17$	17	$1 \pm 103 \pm$	15 –	$-14 \pm 131 \pm 30$	$-58 \pm 146 \pm 30$
2006	VV	$94 \pm 35 \pm 10$	9	$7 \pm 35 \pm$	10 –	$13 \pm 48 \pm 10$	$-36 \pm 48 \pm 12$

2007 V	59± 15± 5	051 141 5	9+20+13	
Total	$64 \pm 12 \pm 4$	$69 \pm 13 \pm 4$	$5 \pm 13 \pm 5$	$-10\pm 17\pm 5$

 $N_{SM} \times 10^3 = 68 \pm 1$

 $R_{SM} \times 10^3 = 0.5$

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Electron tracking, vertex reconstruction

- Unavoidable for electron spin analysis in Mott scattering
- Allows for direct measurement of geometry factors
- Reduces background in electron energy detector induced by gammas
- Allows for implementation of corrections based on parameter maps (e.g. effective Sherman function corrected for target thickness variation and for angle of incidence)
- Allows for accurate gain balance of large plastic scintillators
- Improves diagnostics of beam in fiducial volume

nTRV@PSI: Energy resolution



Gaussian fit with fixed relative line positions E_i and intensities I_i $\sigma_i(E) = c_1 + c_2 \cdot \sqrt{E_i}$ Background $b(E) = b_0 + b_1 \cdot E + b_2 \cdot E^2$

nTRV@PSI: beam profile



nTRV@PSI: Mott vertex



nTRV@PSI: Projection of vertices onto XY-plane





- Mott target thickness scan with X-rays
 - Spatial resolution: ~1 cm
 - Relative thickness accuracy: ~1%
 - Absolute calibration: ~2%



Transport of polarized electrons in matter (multiple Coulomb scattering)



ELSEPA F. Salvat, A. Jablonski, C. Powell, Comput. Phys. Comm. 165 (2005) 157.

Effective Sherman function



At 120 keV (worst case): MC/Exp. :

 1.0119 ± 7.10^{-4} for 222 $\mu g/cm^2$ 1.0222 ± 8.10^{-4} for 135 $\mu g/cm^2$

MC based on Geant4 + ELSEPA ELSEPA

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nTRV@PSI: Mott target thickness scan



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T Violation in the weak scalar and tensor interaction: neutron and nuclei

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Why the Current Discussion?

Right-Handed Neutrinos and T-Violating, P-Conserving Interactions

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Limits of scalar and tensor RH neutrino couplings from D and LHC

Time Reversal Violation in Beta-decay



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emiT neutron transport



- High continuous neutron flux (1.7 x 10⁸ cm⁻² s⁻¹ at "C2"), measured with fission chamber.
- 560 μ T guide field, mapped with 3-axis fluxgate magnetometer, monitored during run.
- Beam profile at entrance, mid-point, and exit via Dysprosium foil activated by the beam.
- Polarization checked with second supermirror analyzer.

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Systematics: effect of guide field & beam expansion



Systematics: spin dependent proton energy

Parity violating asymmetries and the kinematics of the decay result result in LARGE correlations.



emiT - Search for T-violation

Systematics: spin dependent energy spectrum



Systematics: Measured Intensity Distribution (Tilt ATP)



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