

Search for Electric Dipole Moments using Storage Rings (srEDM)



Scientific Background

Matter-Antimatter Asymmetry of the Universe

What we should see and what we actually observe

matter and antimatter

Charged Particle EDM Search

EDMs are searched for in electrons.

neutrons, atoms and molecules, to date

without success - only upper limits

were obtained; the srEDM (protons,

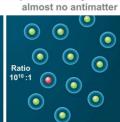
deuterons) will improve these limits

significantly or even find an EDM

Measurement principle

Particle spin alignment along momentum (frozen spin)

equal amount of



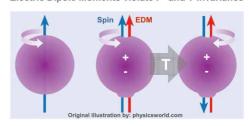
predominantly matter

This is one of the big unsolved problems in physics!

Electric Dipole Moments (EDM)

EDMs violate CP - new CP-V provides a possible solution

Electric Dipole Moments violate P- and T-invariance



Via CPT theorem, T-violation corresponds to CP-violation

Experimental Approach

Precursor Experiment

In a stepwise approach, starting from R&D for all crucial tools required, proof-of-principle measurements at COSY-Jülich will be conducted, leading to first directly determined upper EDM limits for the deuteron and/or the proton

Cooler Synchrotron COSY-Jülich



Outlook: Dedicated EDM Ring

For the EDM search with highest sensitivity, a completely new high-precision double storage ring is required aiming at 10⁻²⁹ e-cm – a charge separation of ~1 nanometer (if nucleon had the size of the earth!)

Counter-rotating beams



Purely electric deflection (pEDM only)

→ two separated beams simultaneously

Combined **electric/magnetic deflection** (pEDM and dEDM ...)

→ two separated beams simultaneously
or one beam at a time and B-field reversal

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Radial E-field: torque on spin - rotation out of ring plane



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Work Packages

