

Quantum Mixtures with Ultracold Atoms, Varenna, 18-23 July 2022

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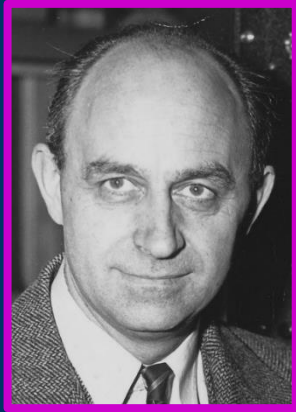
**Experiments with quantum mixtures III:
Dy meets K – new mixture**

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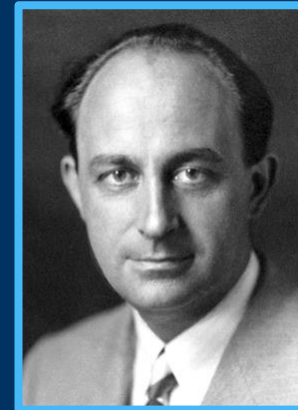
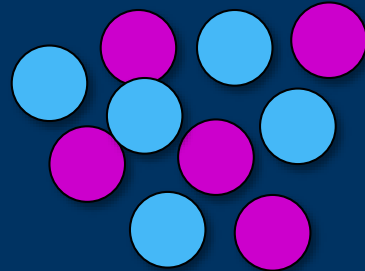


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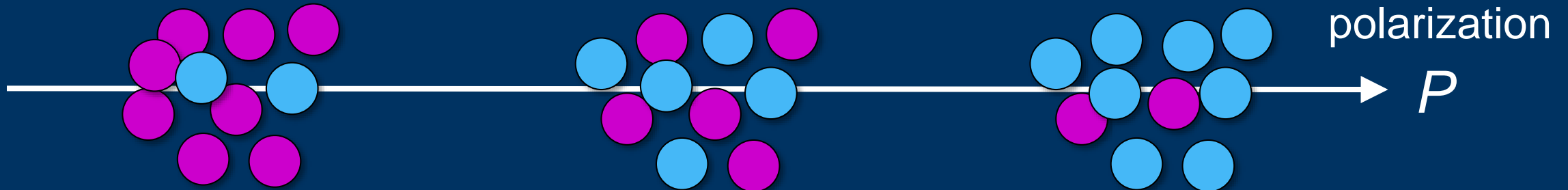




50/50
spin mixture



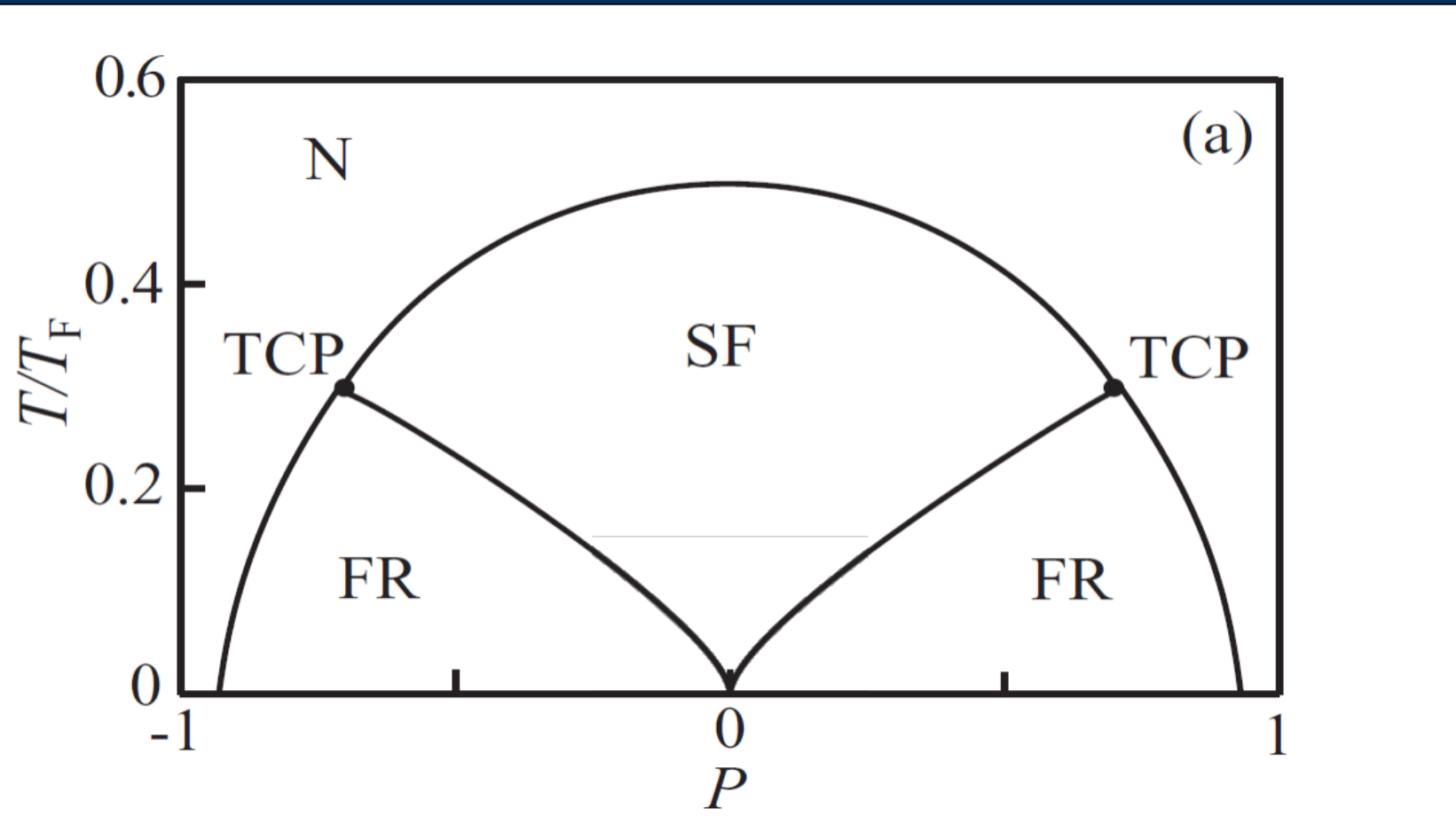
population imbalance



theoretical phase diagram

Baarsma, Gubbels, Stoof, PRA 82, 013624 (2010)

homogeneous case on resonance, mean-field approach



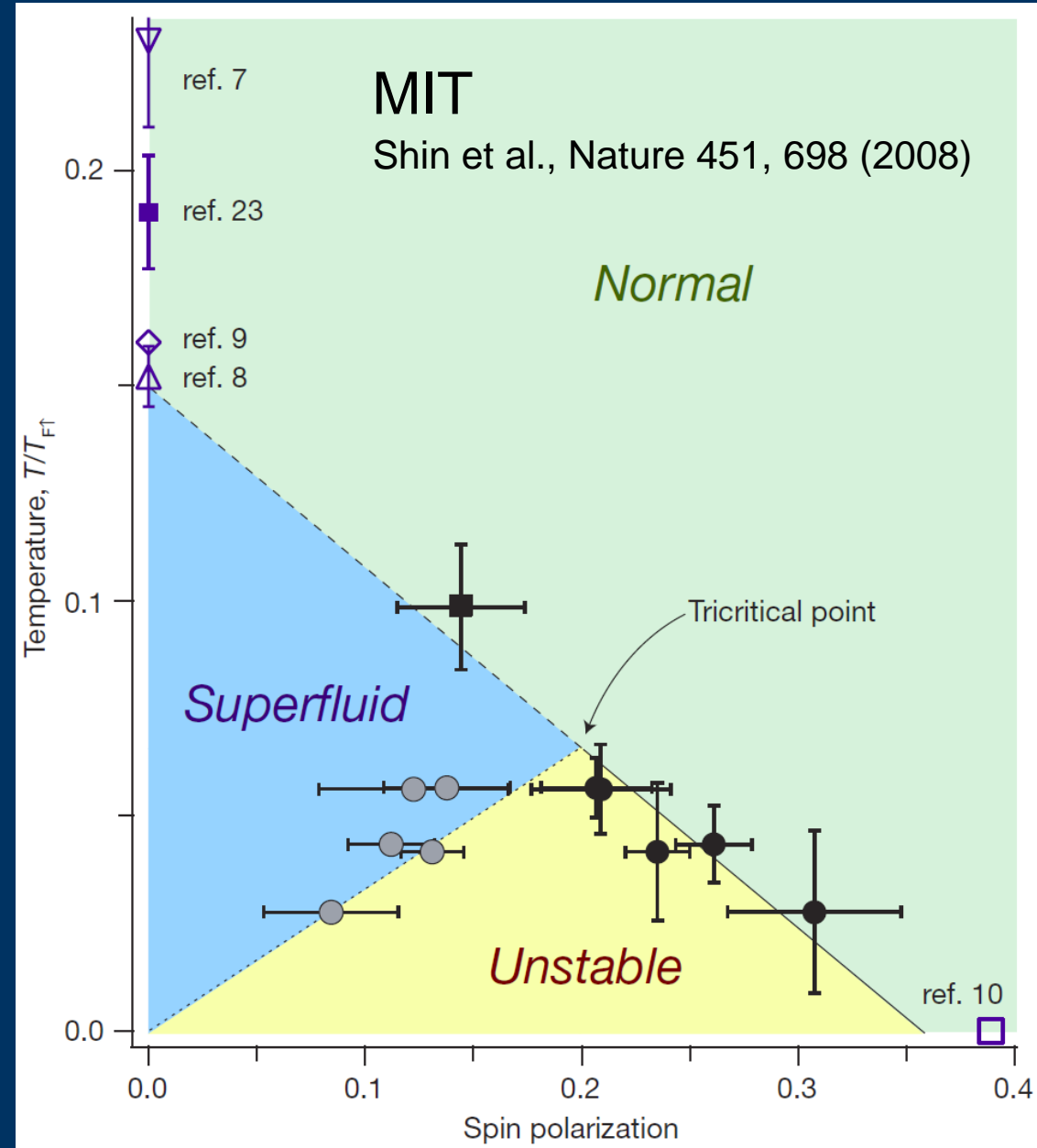
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analyzing in-trap density profiles

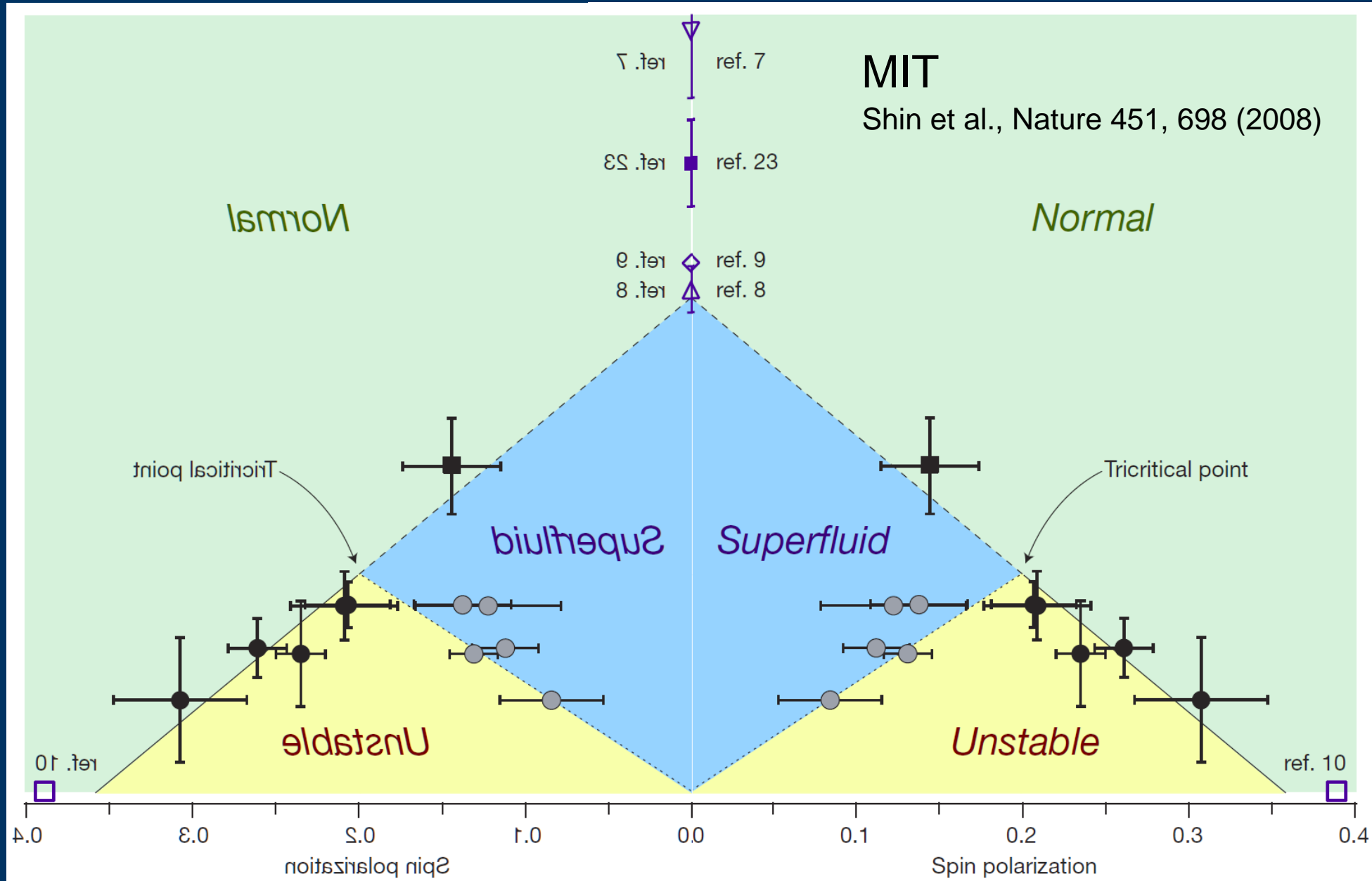


phase diagram
for homogeneous system

early expt. work on polarized
Fermi gases, see also:
Hulet group at Rice (2006)
Salomon group at ENS (2009)



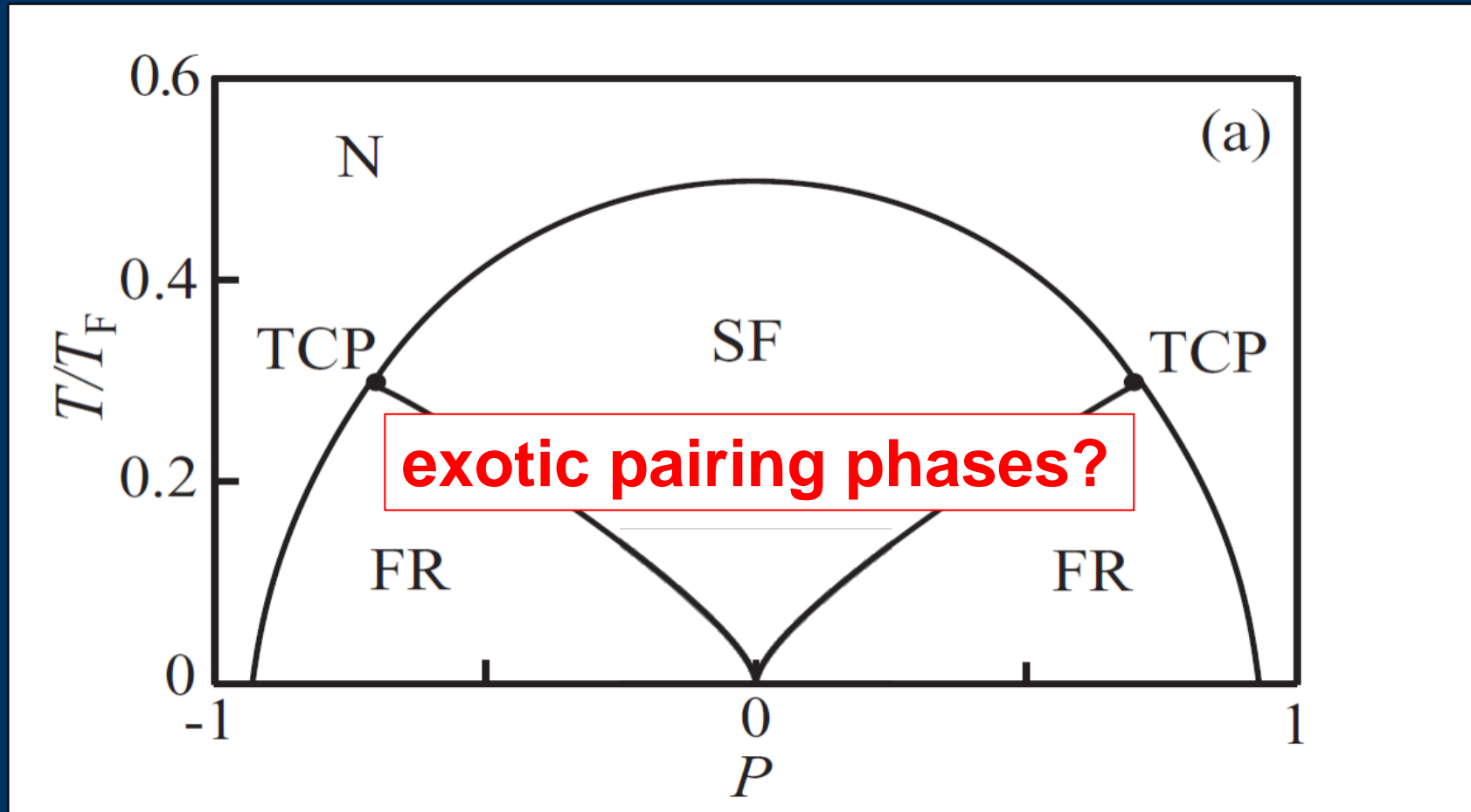
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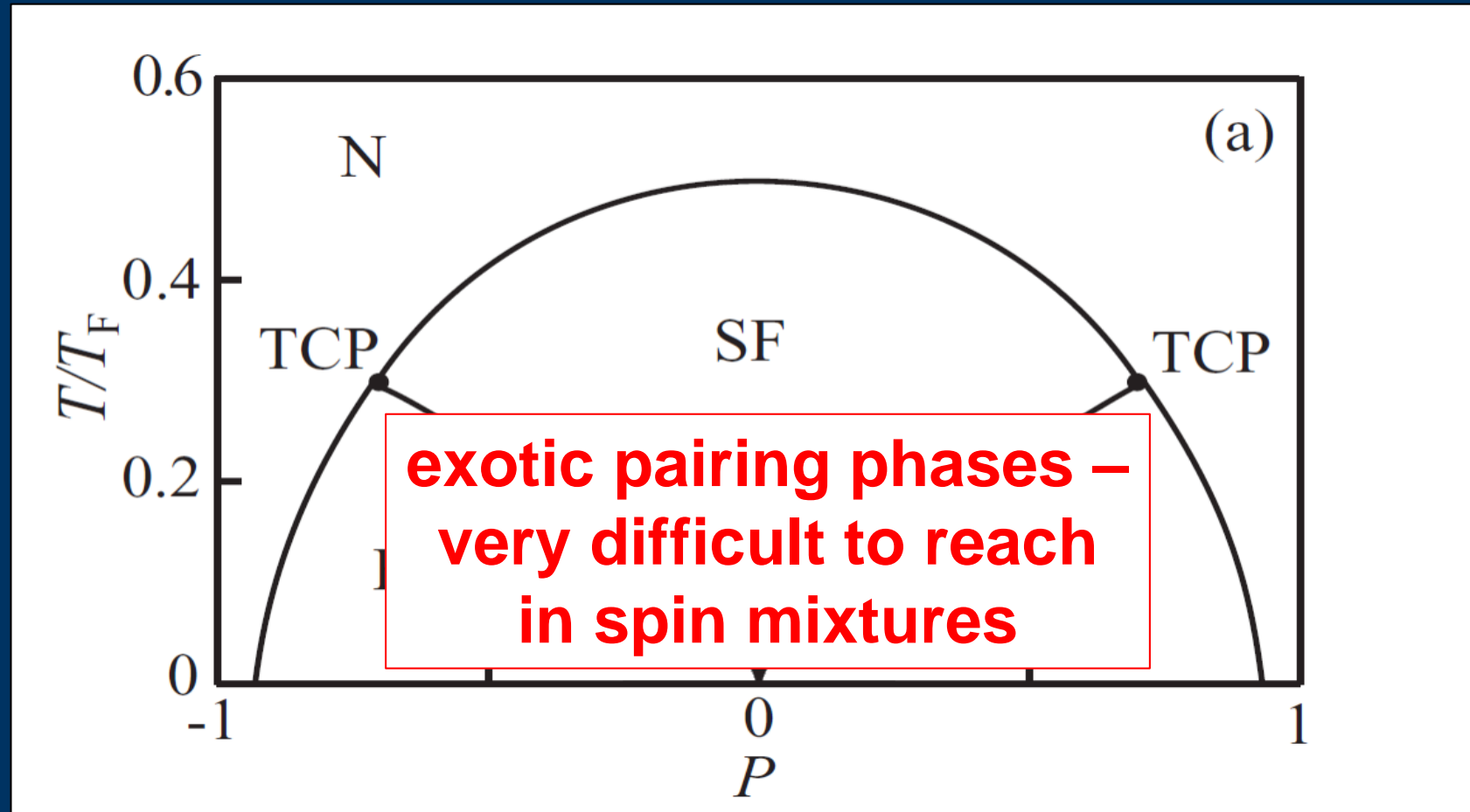
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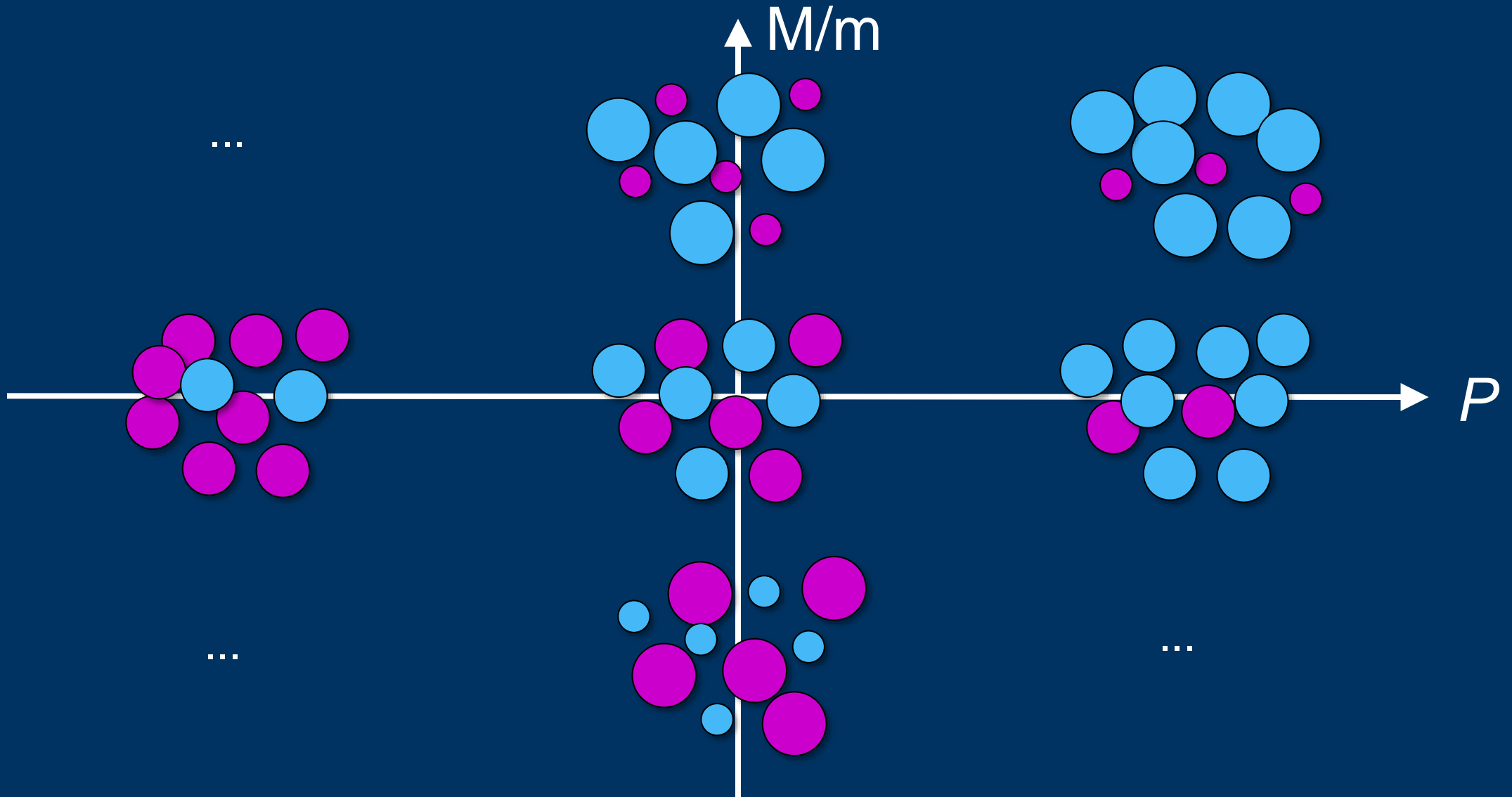
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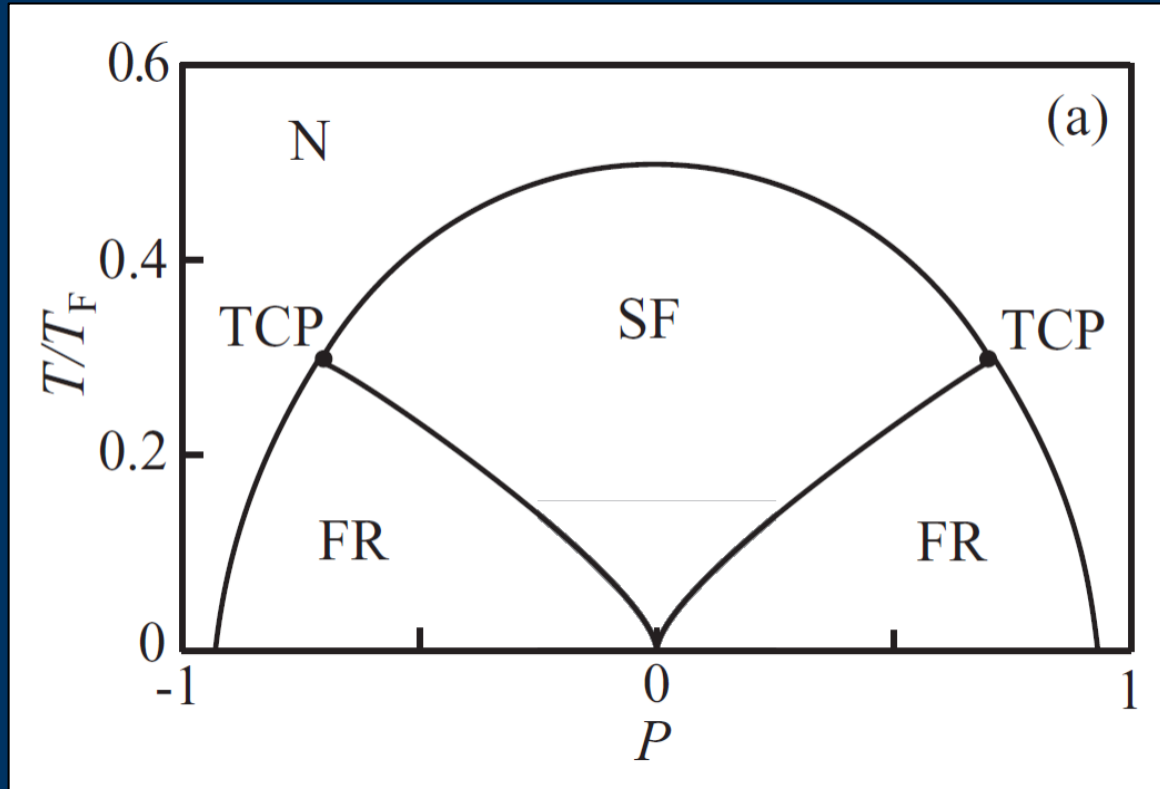
both mass and population imbalance



effect of mass imbalance on phase diagram

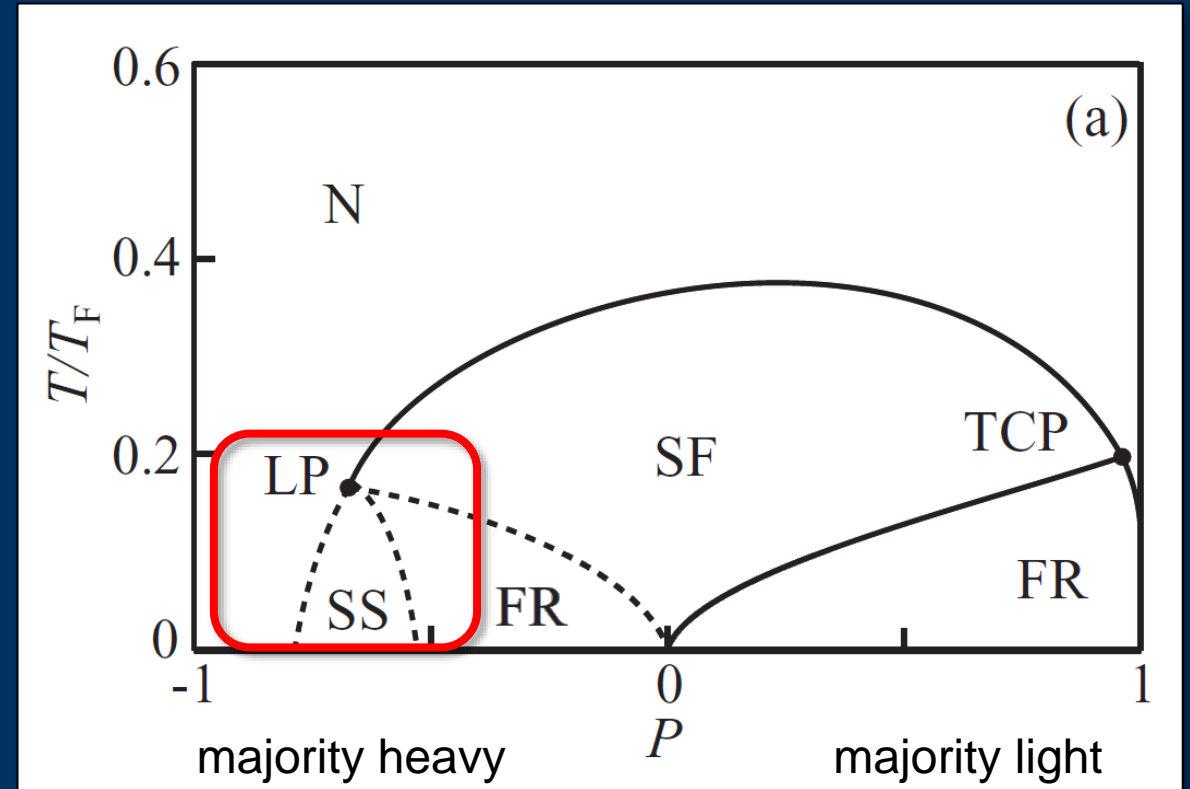
unitarity $1/k_F a = 0$, homogeneous system

$M/m = 1$ (mass balanced)



Baarsma, Gubbels, Stoof, PRA 82, 013624 (2010)

$M/m = 40/6$ (mass imbalanced)



**exciting things happen
in expt. accessible range**

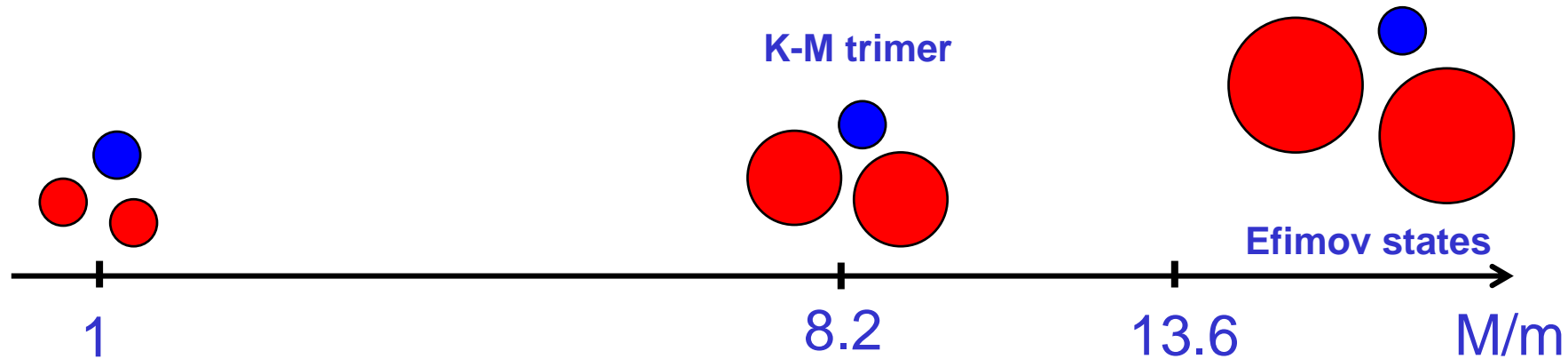


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+ Actinide Series

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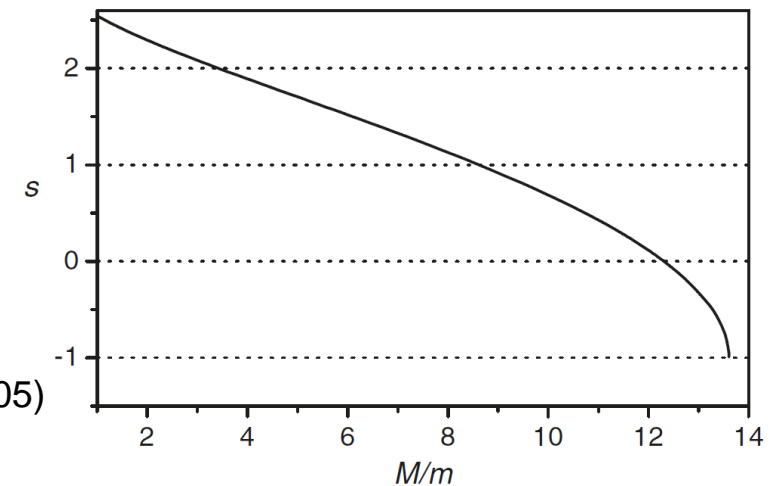
few-body physics of fermionic mixtures



substantial mass imbalance,
but (hopefully) stable enough

at large scattering length
loss scales as a^{-s}

Petrov et al., J. Phys. B 38, S645 (2005)



The image shows a periodic table with the following elements circled in red:

- Hydrogen (H)
- Lithium (Li)
- Potassium (K)
- Strontium (Sr)
- Chromium (Cr)
- Helium (He)

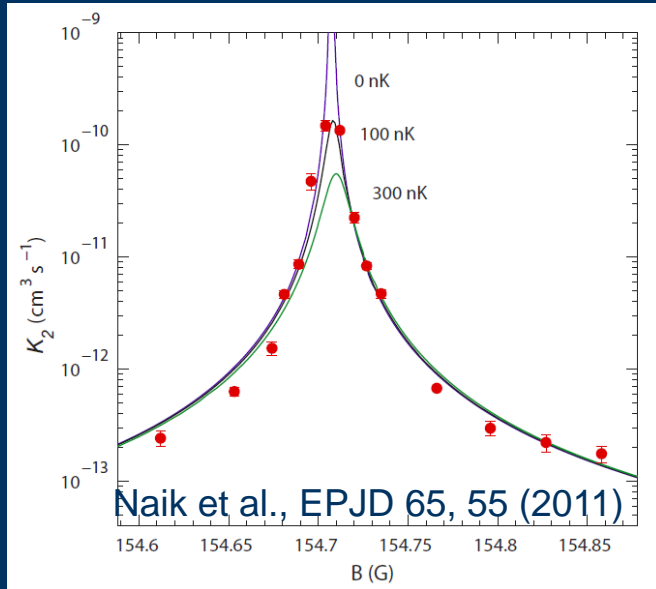
A white double-headed arrow points between Lithium (Li) and Potassium (K). A text box with a black border contains the text: "would be the obvious choice, but...".

Below the periodic table, there is a list of elements that are not shown in the table: Na, Mg, Al, Si, P, S, Cl, Ar, Ga, Ge, As, Se, Br, Kr, In, Sn, Sb, Te, I, Xe, Tl, Pb, Bi, Po, At, Rn, Fr, Ra, Ac, Rf, Ha, Sg, Ns, Hs, Mt, 110, 111, 112, 113.

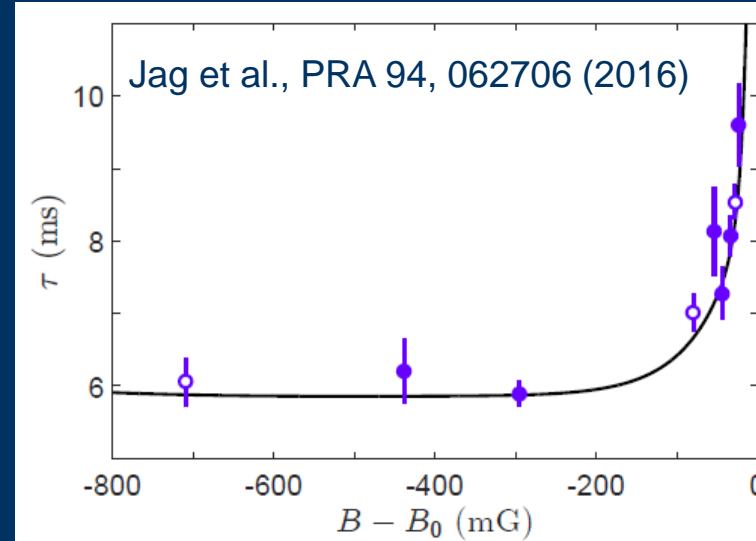
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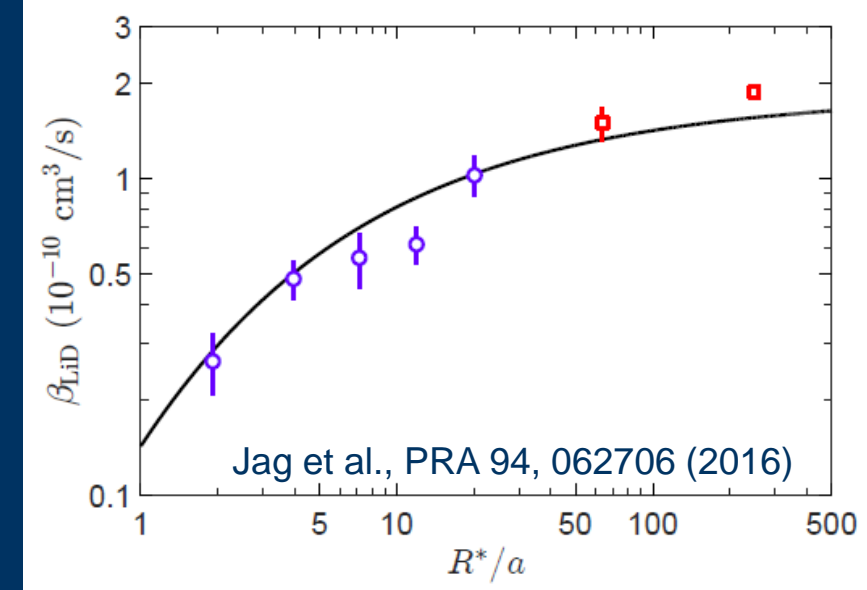
“secrets” of ${}^6\text{Li}$ - ${}^{40}\text{K}$ Feshbach resonances



two-body losses
in atomic mixture



spontaneous dissociation
of Feshbach molecules



weak Pauli suppression
of few-body decay

Nature not kind to us:
unfavorable character of Feshbach resonances
→ short lifetimes of few ms only!

candidates for Fermi-Fermi mixture

candidates for
Fermi-Fermi mixture

Matteo's talk!

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1 H												5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
3 Li	4 Be											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
11 Na	12 Mg											31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
55 Cs	56 Ba	57 *La	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg						
87 Fr	88 Ra	89 +Ac	104 Rf	105 Ha	106 Sg	107 Ns	108 Hs	109 Mt	110	111	112	113					

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A periodic table of elements with various groups labeled (IA, IIA, IIIA, IVA, VA, VIA, VIIA, IB, IIB, etc.). The elements are color-coded: yellow for alkali metals (H, Li, Na, K, Rb, Cs, Fr), blue for alkaline earth metals (Be, Mg, Ca, Sr, Ba, Ra), green for nonmetals (B, C, N, O, F, Ne, Si, P, S, Cl, Ar, As, Se, Br, Kr, Sb, Te, I, Xe, Bi, Po, At, Rn), and red for transition metals and other metals. Red circles highlight H, Li, He, K, and Cr. A white arrow points from a box labeled "our choice" to the element K (Potassium).

Periodic table showing elements color-coded by group. Red circles highlight candidates for Fermi-Fermi mixture: H, Li, He, K, and Cr. A white arrow points to K, labeled "our choice".

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Dy-K team

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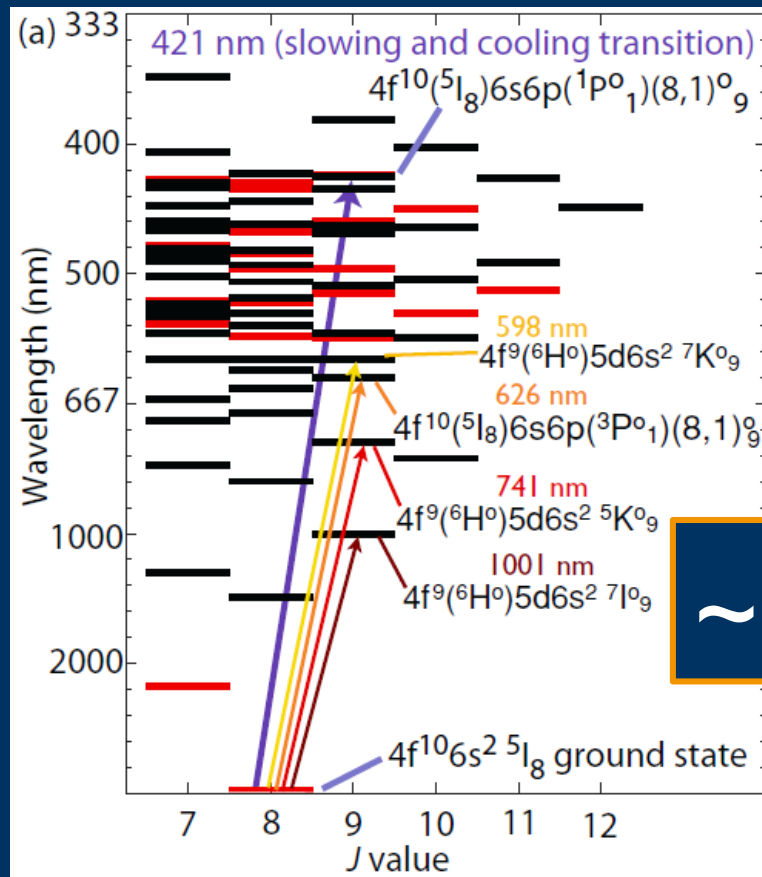
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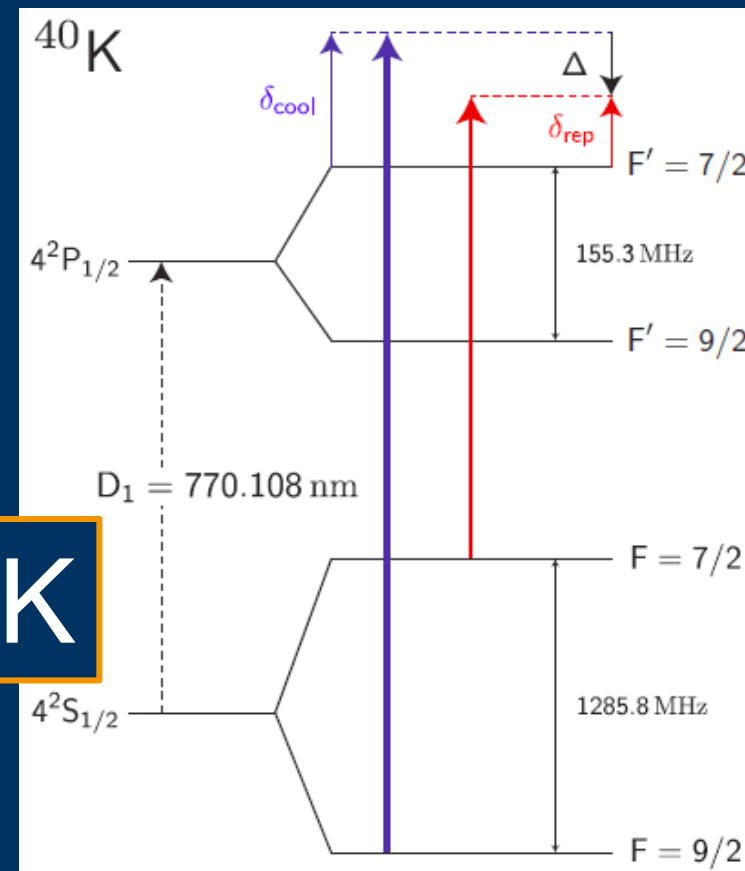
Vincent
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laser cooling properties of Dy and K

Figure from Lu et al., PRA 83, 012110 (2011)



$\sim 10\mu K$



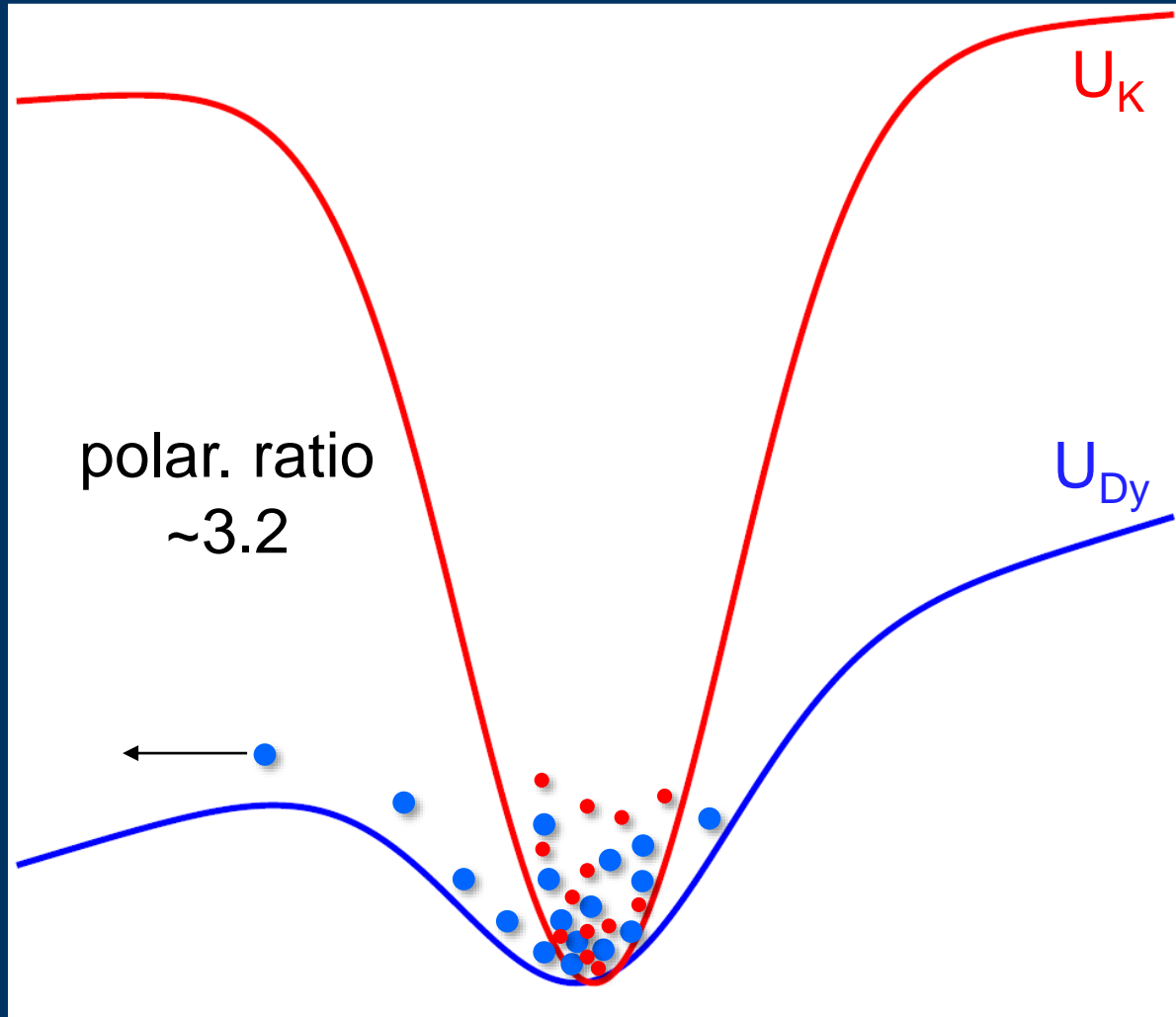
421nm - Zeeman slowing
626nm – MOT

Maier et al., Opt. Lett. 39, 3138 (2014)

D1 sub-Doppler cooling

Fernandes et al., EPL 100, 63001 (2012)
Sievers et al., PRA 91, 023426 (2015)

two-species evaporation scheme



Ravensbergen et al., PRA 98, 063624 (2018)

^{161}Dy – cooling agent

universal dipolar collisions

^{40}K – sympathetically cooled

low magnetic field of few 100 mG

avoid any resonances

$|a| \approx 60 a_0$

optimum evaporative cooling result

Ravensbergen et al., PRA 98, 063624 (2018)
E. Soave, PhD thesis (2022)

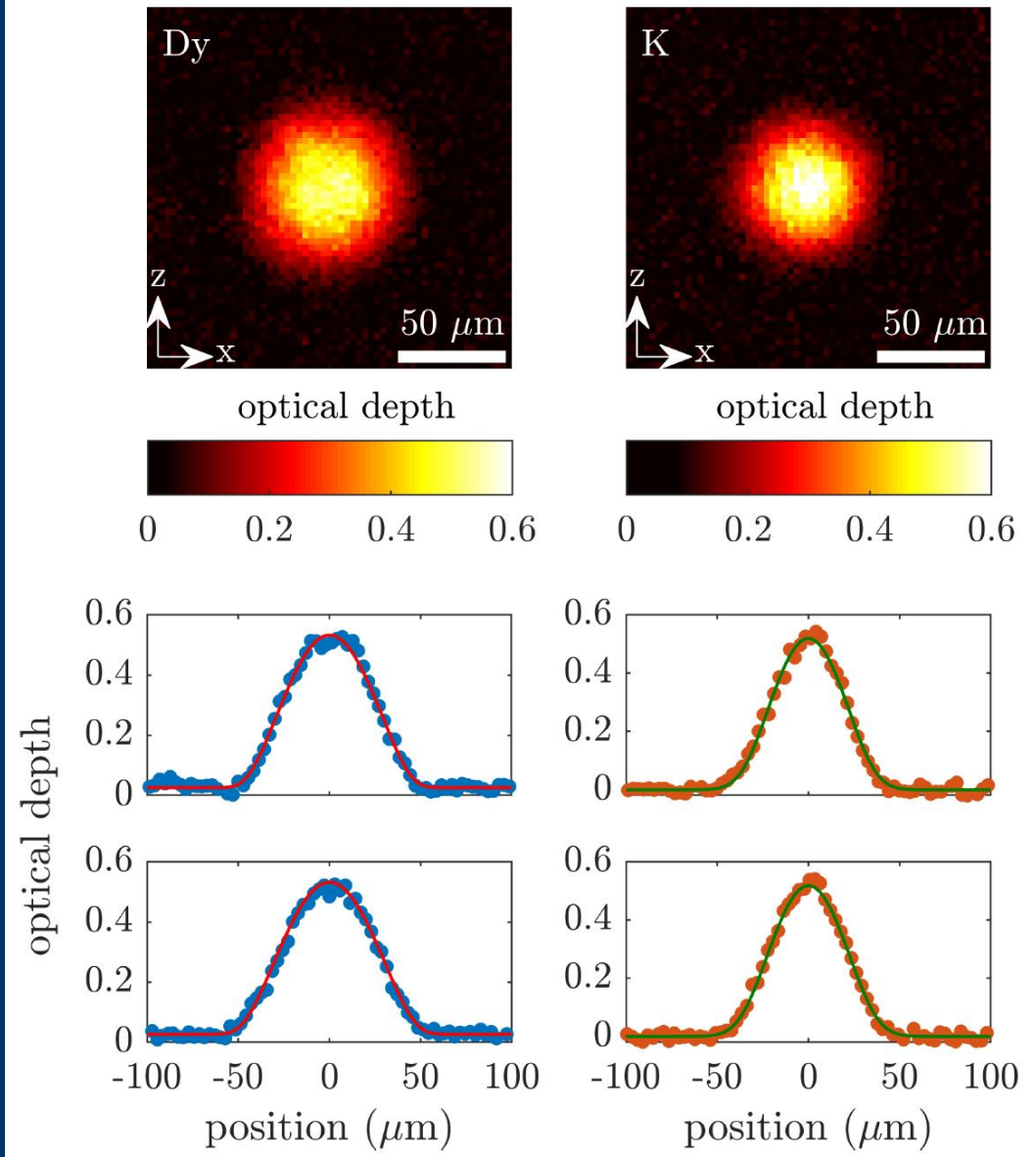
^{161}Dy

7.5×10^4 atoms @ $T/T_F \approx 0.13$

^{40}K

$\sim 10^4$ atoms @ $T/T_F \approx 0.08$

number ratio can be controlled
by MOT loading times

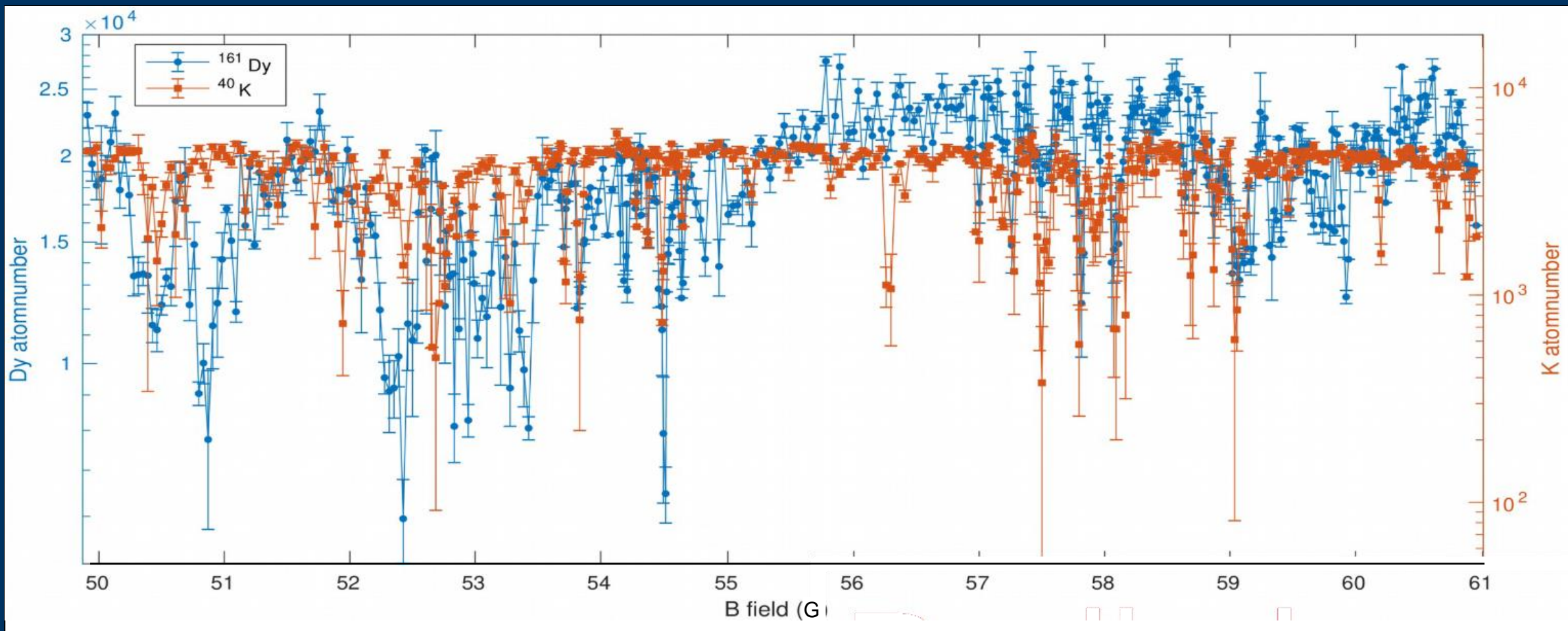




does a good
interaction control knob
exist for ^{161}Dy - ^{40}K ?

many narrow resonances (as expected)

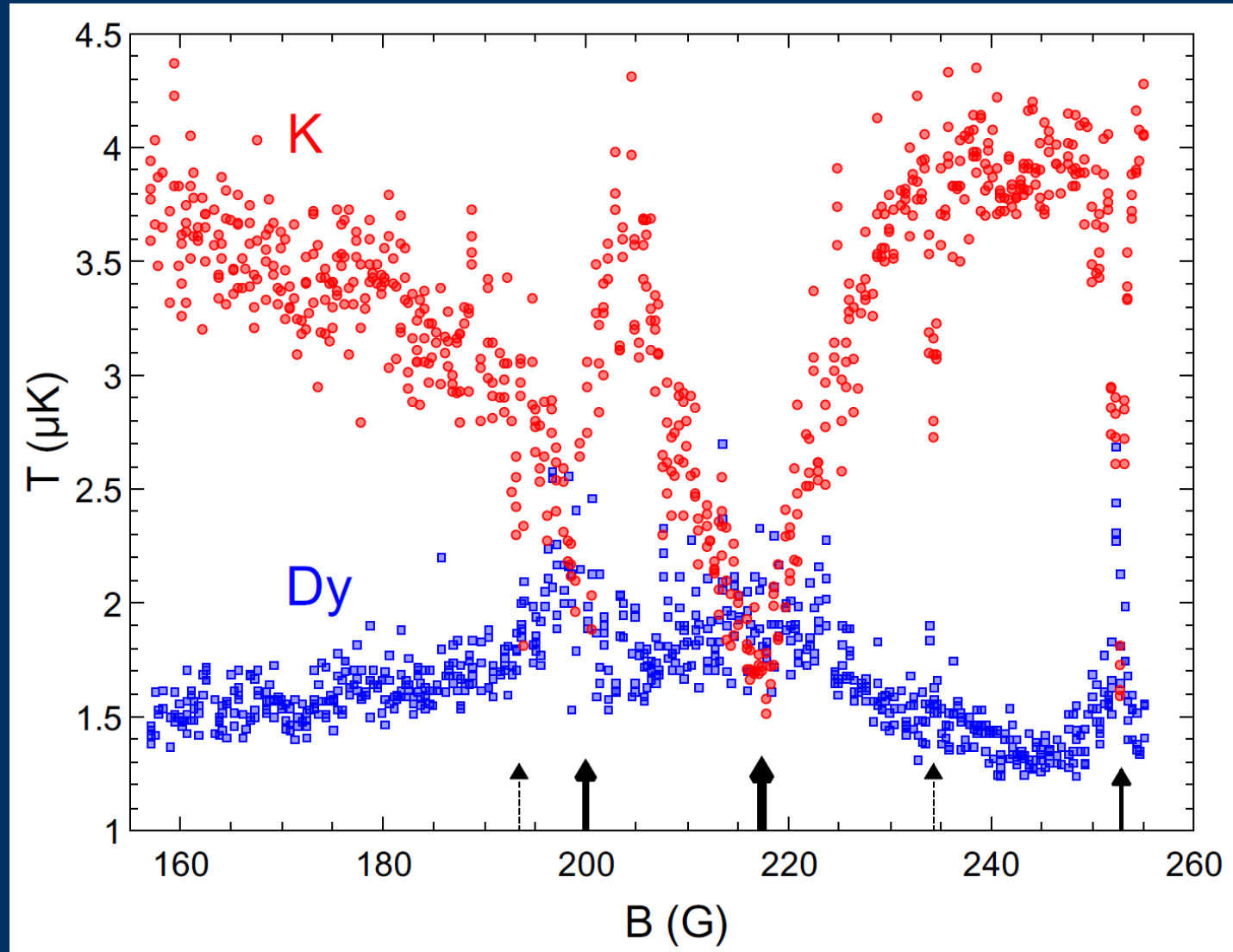
early B scan (2018)



many narrow intraspecies (Dy) and intraspecies (Dy-K) resonances

search for broad Feshbach resonances

elastic scattering:
cross-species
thermalization



scenario of
broad overlapping
FRs

overlapping FRs: recipe to extract scattering length

use product formula

$$a(B) = a_{\text{bg}} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{B - c_i}{B - p_i}$$

zero crossings:
slowest interspecies thermalization

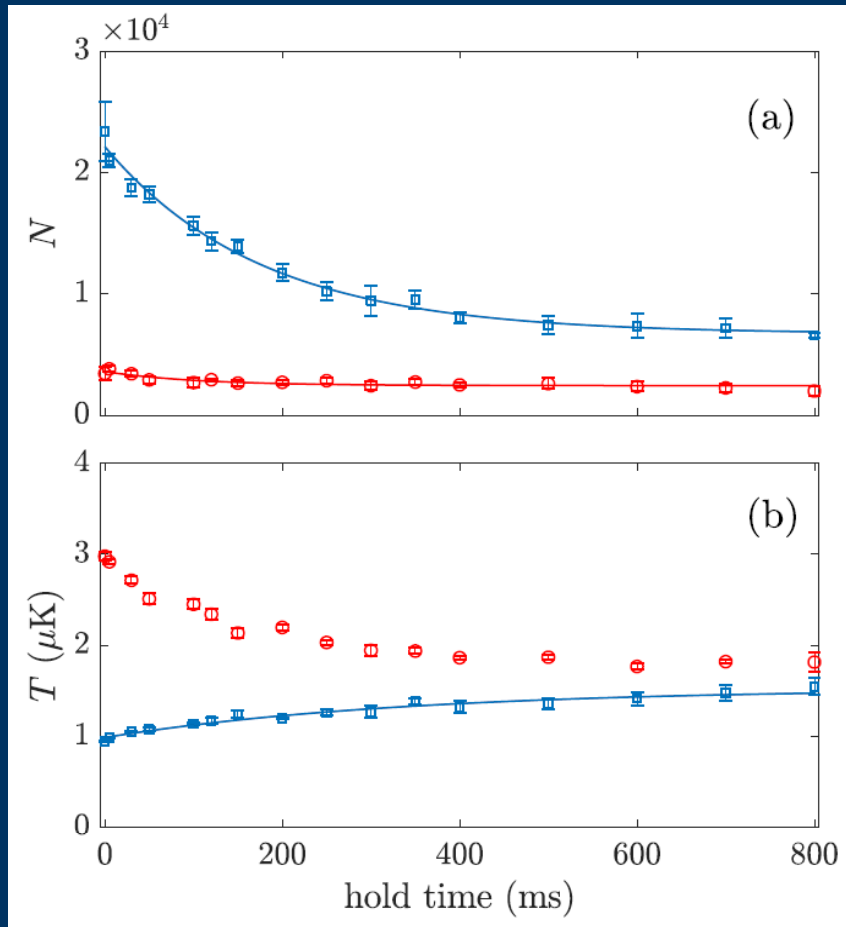
resonance poles:
fastest interspecies thermalization

background scattering length:

from interspecies thermalization
at selected values of B

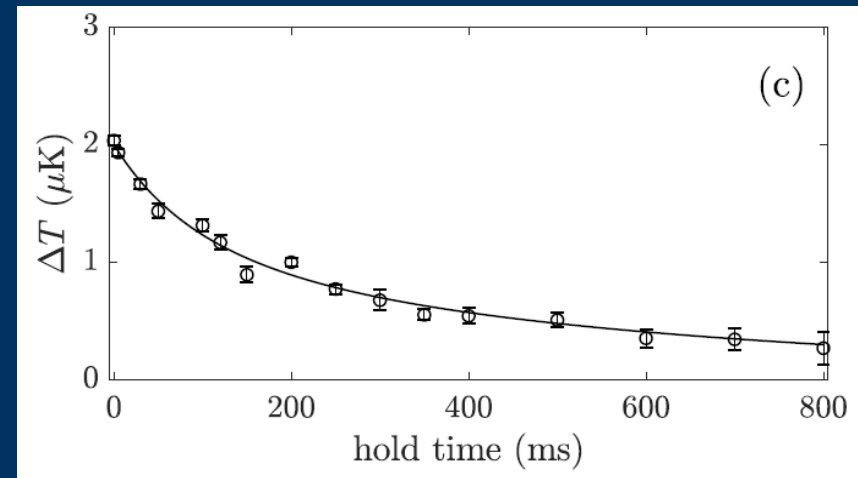
Mosk et al., Appl. Phys. B **73**, 791 (2001)

interspecies thermalization

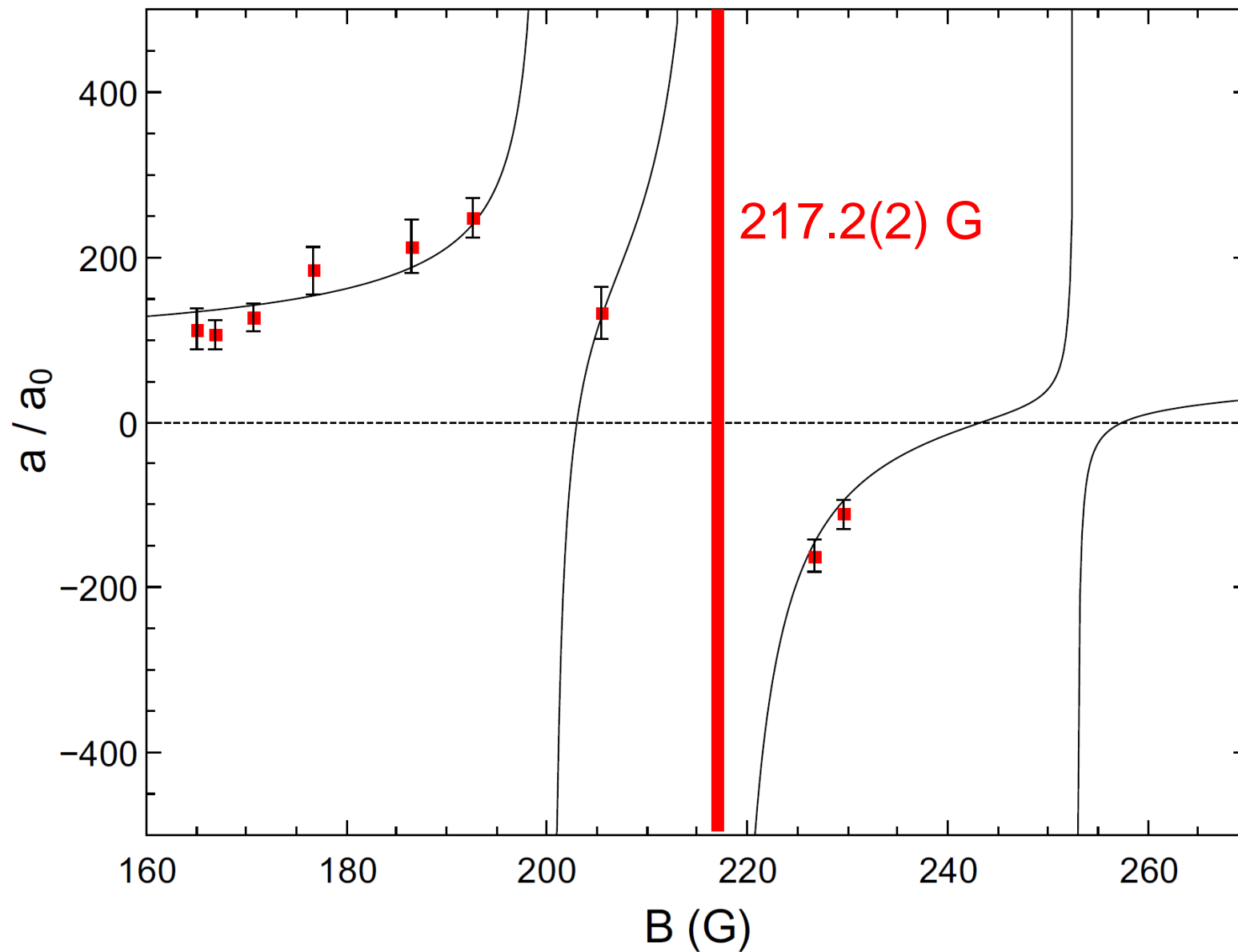


$$\frac{d}{dt} \Delta T = -\sigma_{\text{el}} \frac{\xi q}{3\pi^2} \frac{m_{\text{Dy}} \bar{\omega}_{\text{Dy}}^3}{k_{\text{B}} T_{\text{Dy}}} (N_{\text{Dy}} + N_{\text{K}}) \Delta T$$

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Broad FRs in Dy-K

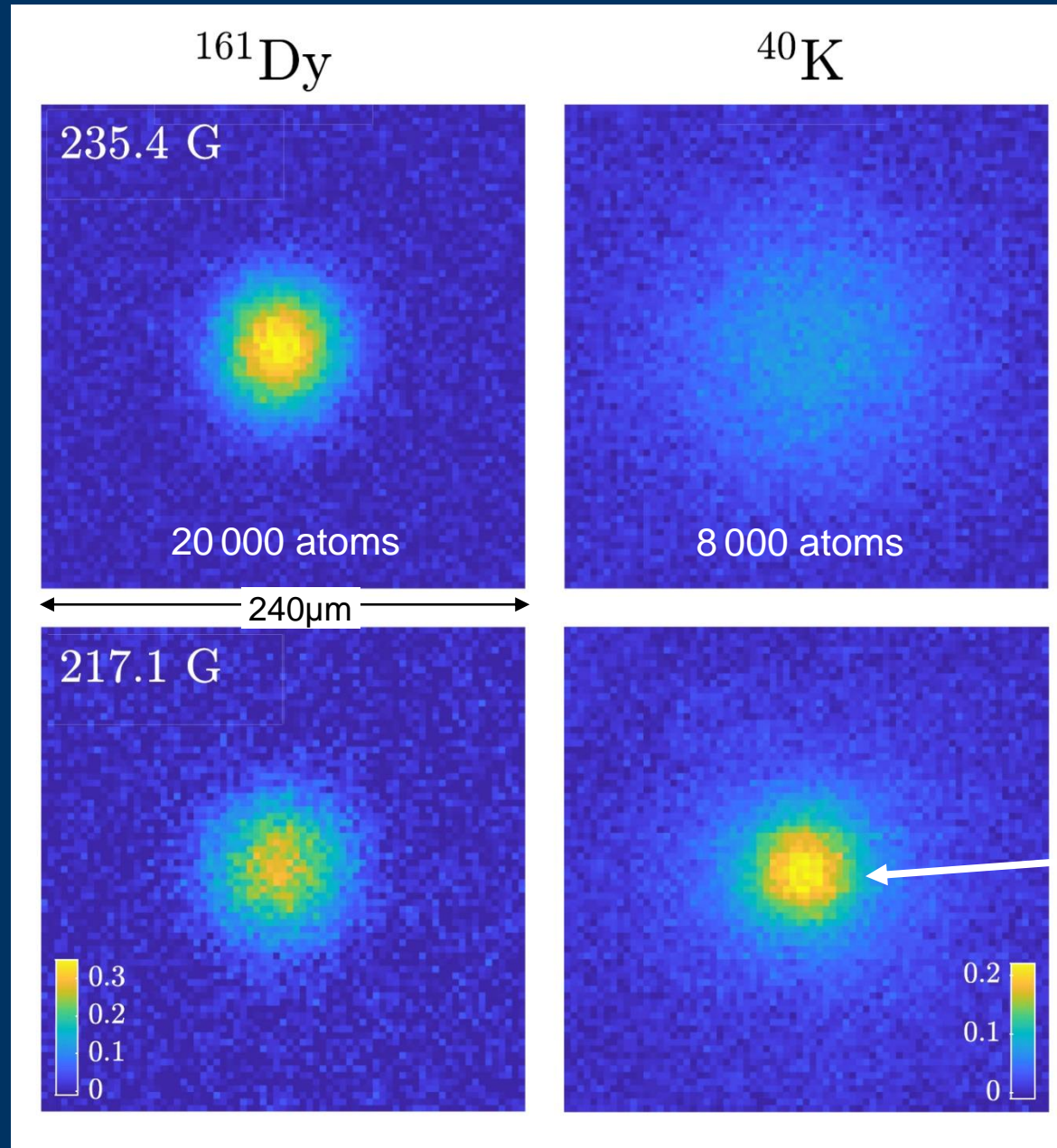


thermalized mixt.
 $(T/T_F)_{\text{Dy}} = 1.7$
 $(T/T_F)_{\text{K}} = 0.65$

no interaction

resonant
interaction

time-of-flight expansion



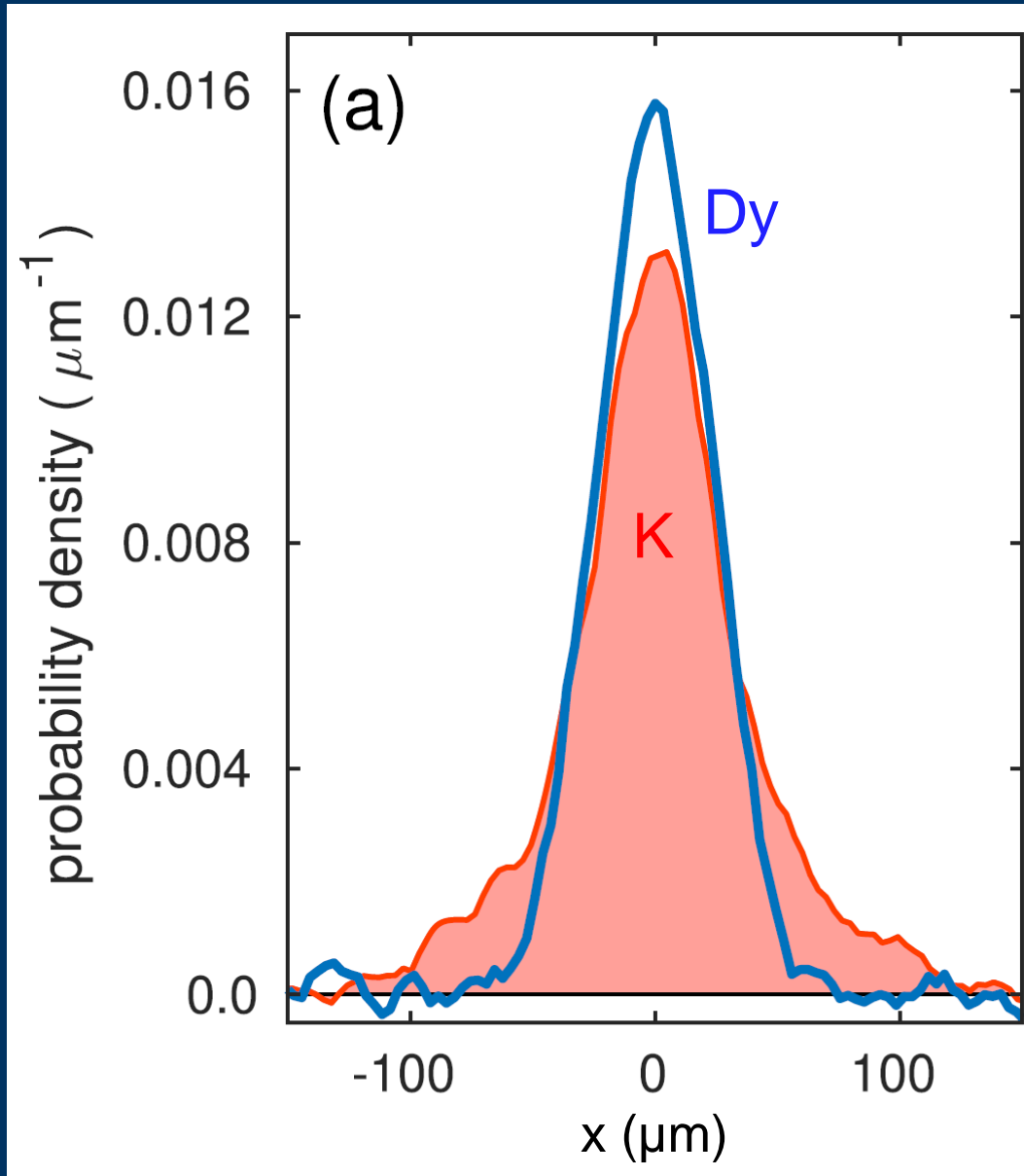
4.5 ms TOF

Ravensbergen et al.,
PRL 124, 203402 (2020)

!!!

locked hydrodynamic
expansion

density profiles: a surprise

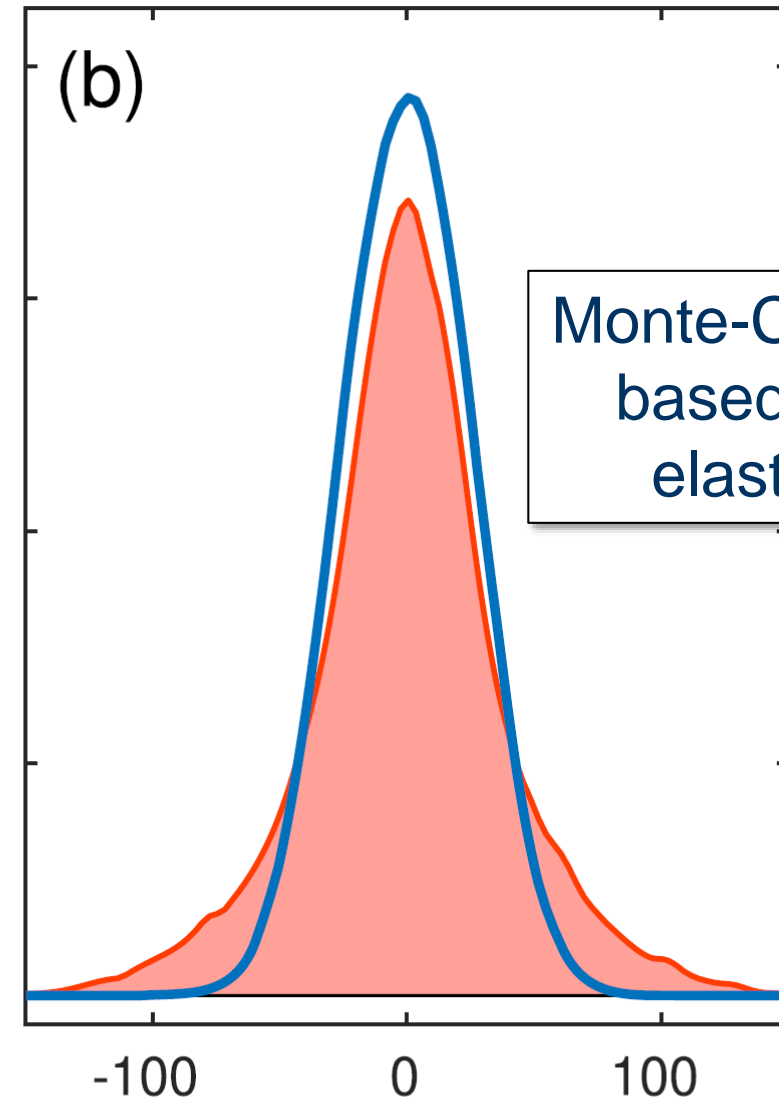
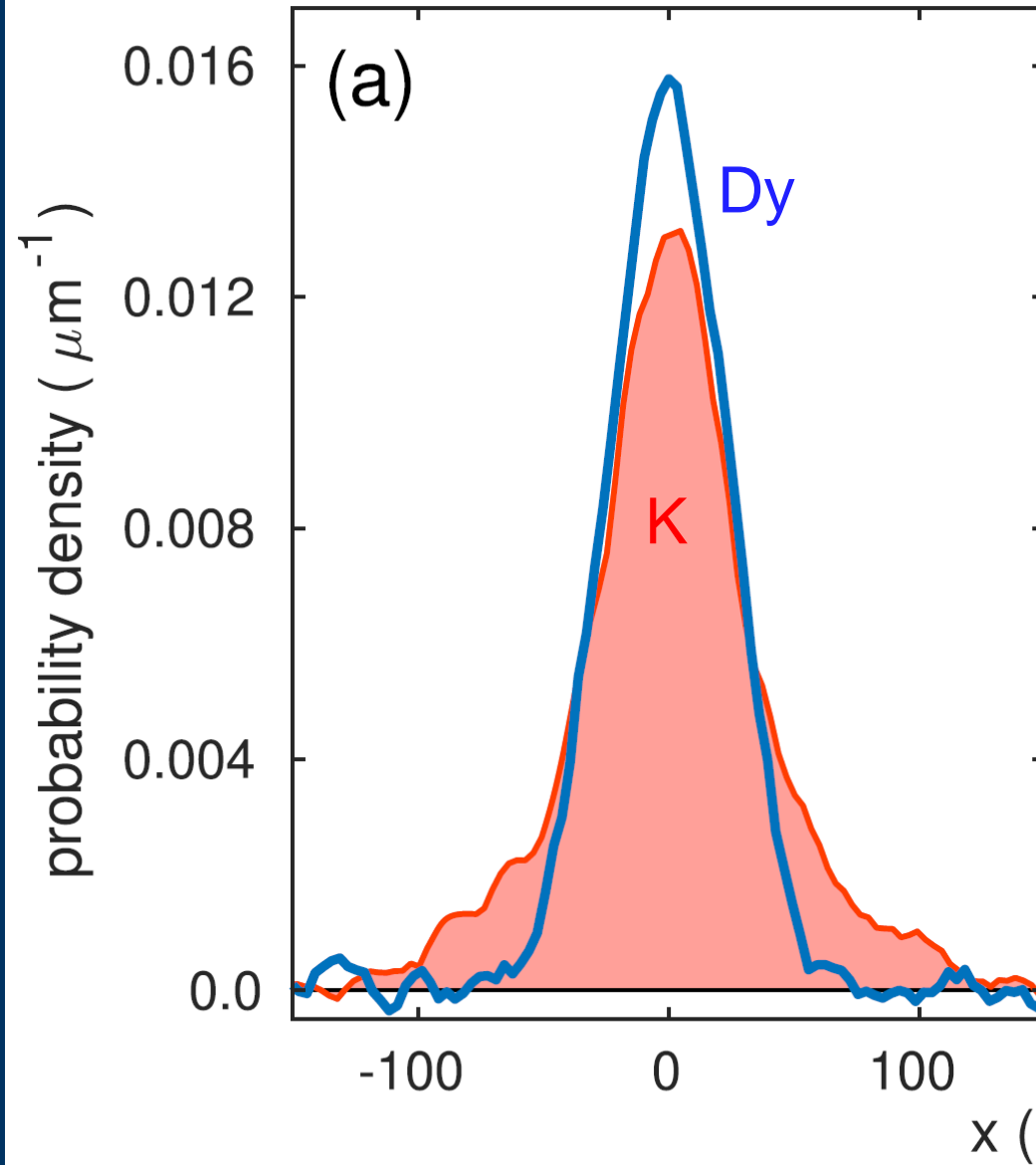


bimodality
in K profile?

superfluidity???

no, a generic effect of
collisional hydrodynamics
in a mass-imbalanced mixture

density profiles: a surprise



thermalized mixt.

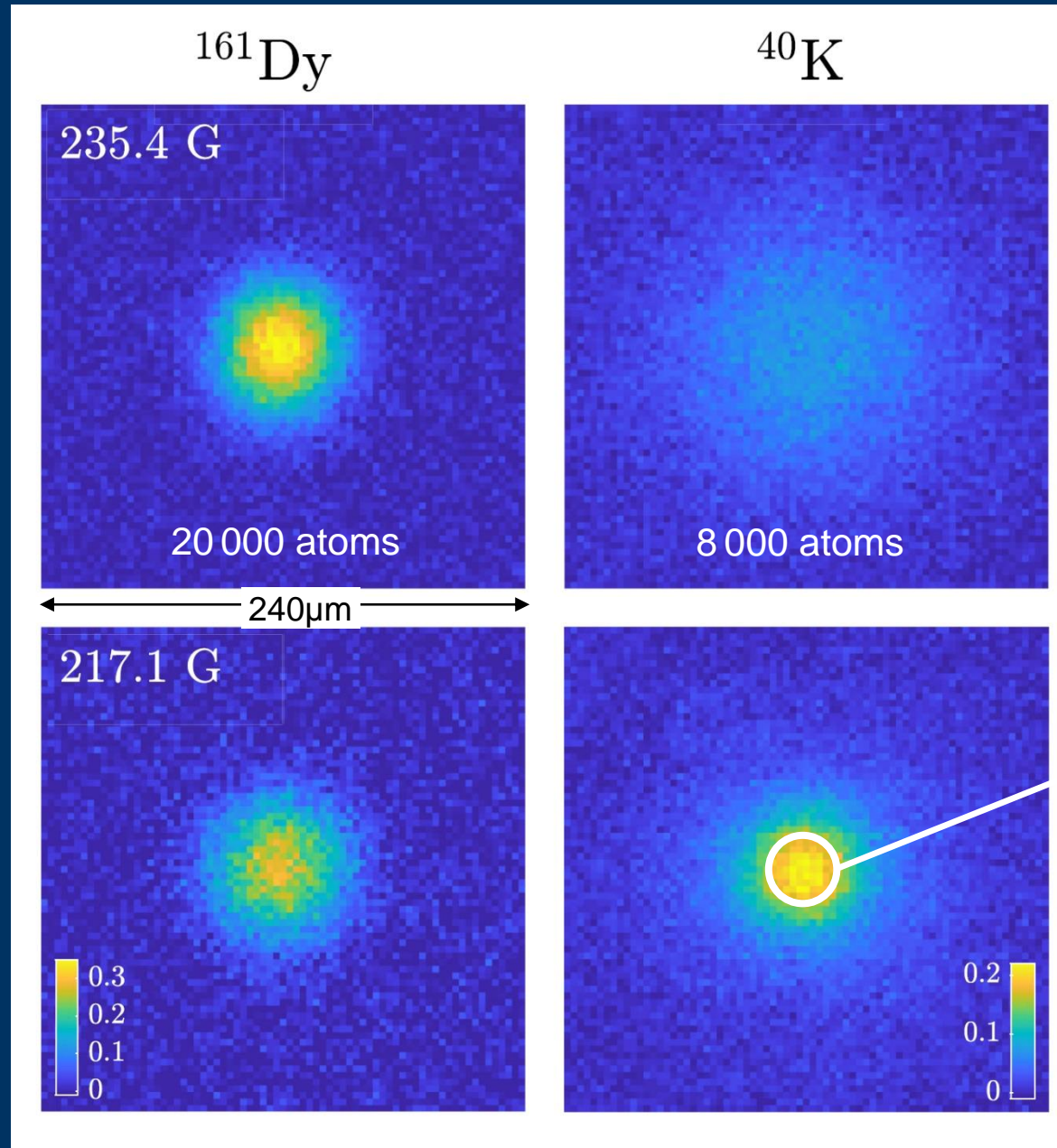
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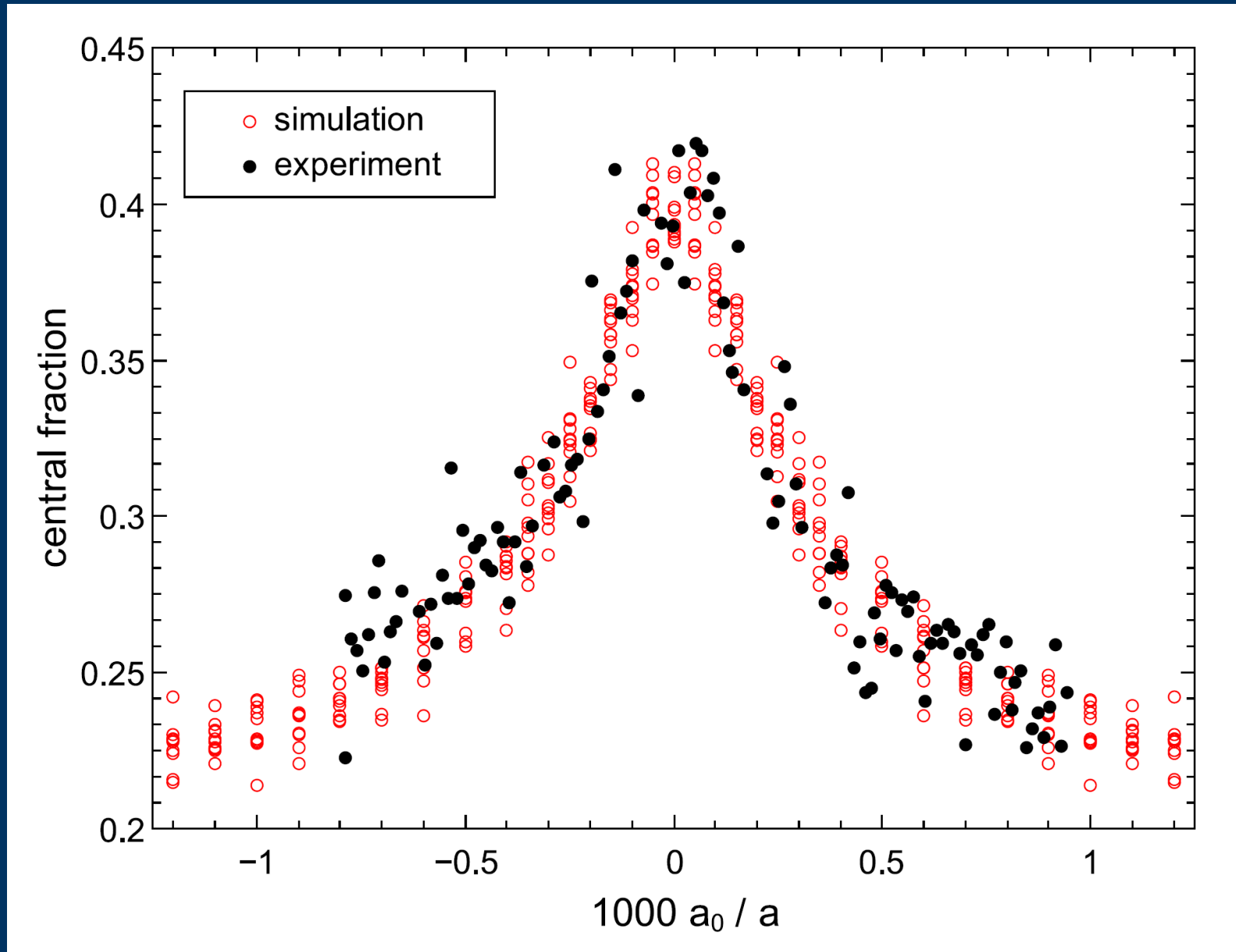


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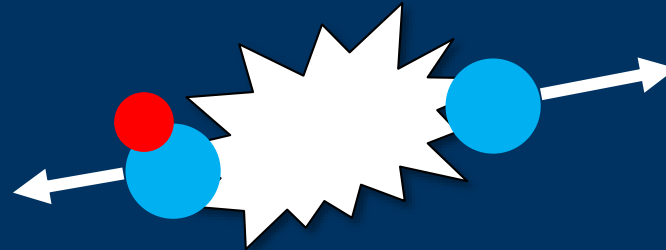
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further analysis:
fraction of atoms
in the center

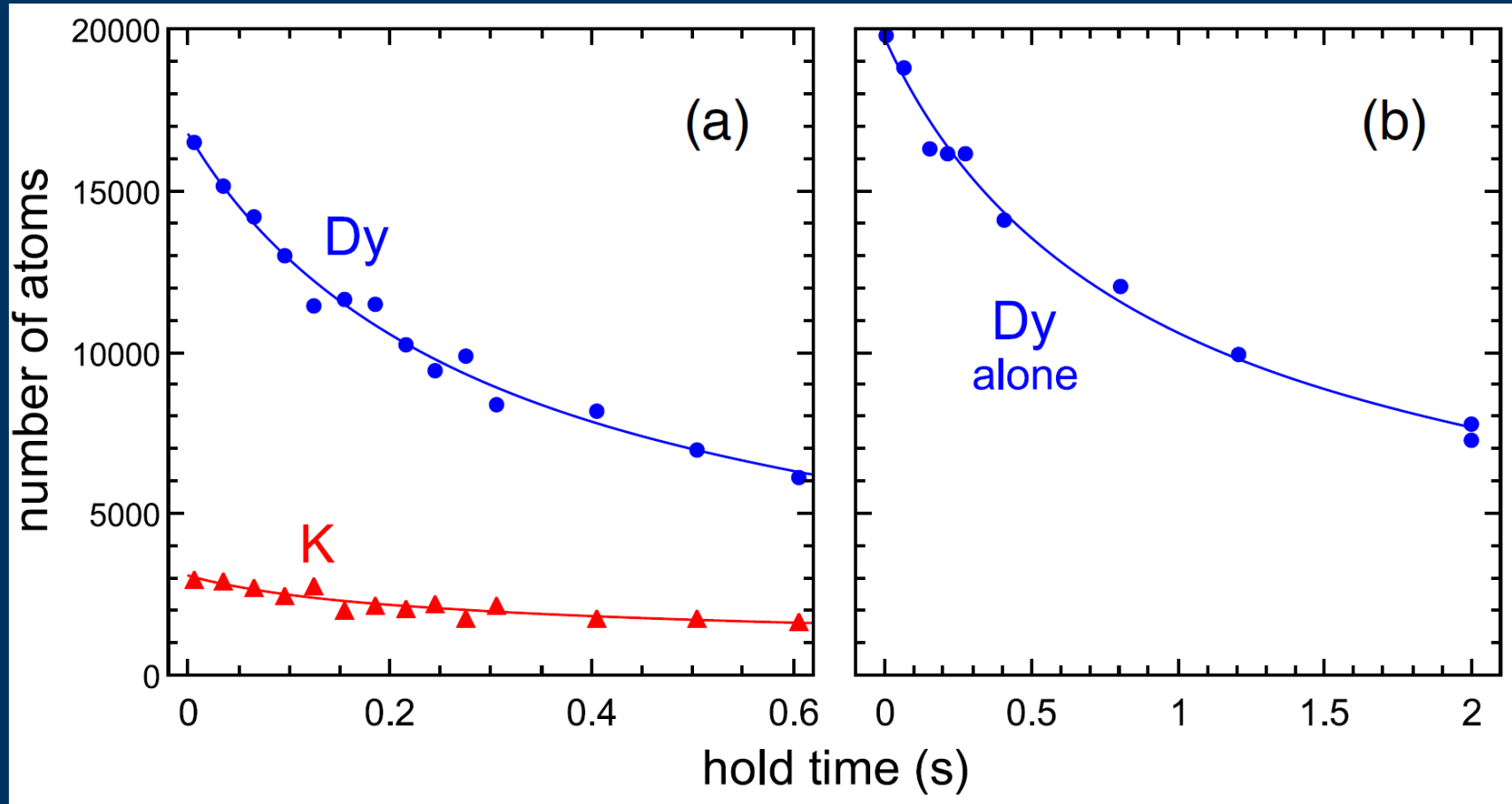
hydrodynamic expansion: central fraction of K atoms



collisional stability:
will few-body processes kill us?



analyzing decay curves



217.5 G

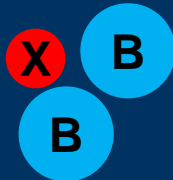
event rate coefficients for all three-body processes
(K-Dy-Dy, K-K-Dy, Dy-Dy-Dy)
below 10^{-25} cm⁶/s

three-body event rate coefficient

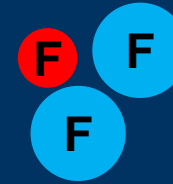
Bose-Fermi and Bose-Bose systems
(Efimov physics)

our Fermi-Fermi mixture

^{40}K - ^{87}Rb (JILA)
 ^6K - ^{41}K (Innsbruck)
 ^6K - ^{133}Cs (Heidelb., Chicago)
 ^{40}K - ^{162}Dy (Innsbruck)



^{39}K - ^{87}Rb (Aarhus)
 ^{41}K - ^{87}Rb (Aarhus, LENS)
 ^7Li - ^{87}Rb (Tübingen)



^{40}K - ^{161}Dy (Innsbruck)

$10^{-23} \dots 10^{-21} \text{ cm}^6/\text{s}$

$10^{-25} \text{ cm}^6/\text{s}$

2...4 orders of magnitude suppression !!!!

Superfluidity in reach?



G. Strinati

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Beyond-mean-field description of a trapped unitary Fermi gas with mass and population imbalance

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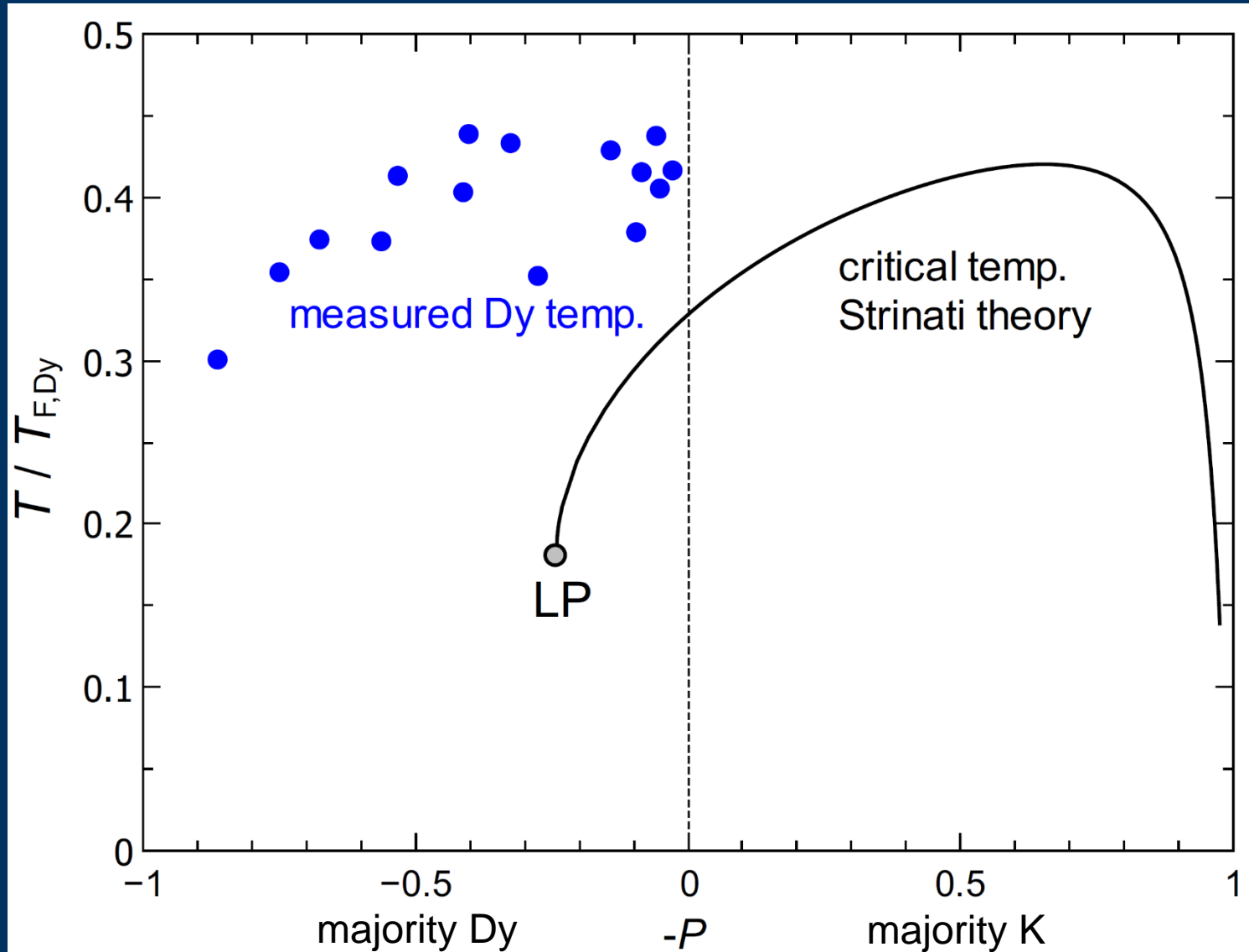
A detailed description is given of the phase diagram for a two-component unitary Fermi gas with mass and population imbalance, for both homogeneous and trapped systems. This aims at providing quantitative benchmarks for the normal-to-superfluid phase transition of a mass-imbalanced Fermi gas in the temperature-polarization parameter space. A self-consistent t -matrix approach is adopted, which has already proven to accurately describe the thermodynamic properties of the mass- and population-balanced unitary Fermi gas. Our results provide a guideline for the ongoing experiments on heteronuclear Fermi mixtures.

DOI: [10.1103/PhysRevA.103.023314](https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevA.103.023314)

Superfluidity in reach?

critical temperature for Dy-K under our trapping conditions

Soave et al.,
PhD thesis
(2022)



$$P \equiv \frac{N_{Dy} - N_K}{N_{Dy} + N_K}$$

intermediate conclusion

key ingredients for experiments on fermionic superfluids demonstrated!

- cooling into deeply degenerate regime achieved @ **few 100mG**
 - interaction tuning via broad Feshbach resonance demonstrated
~217 G
 - Pauli suppression of losses for resonant mixture observed

good reasons to be very optimistic!

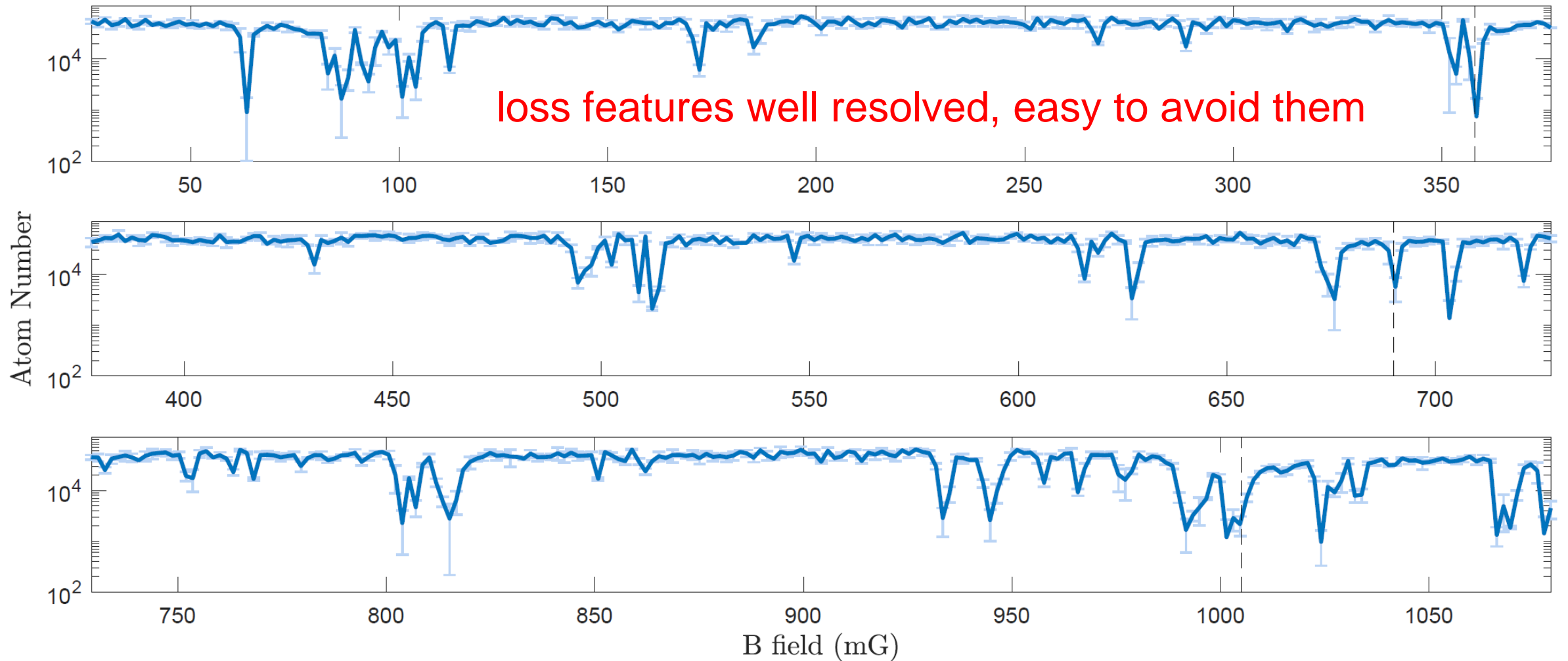
but... transfer from low field to high field without losses and heating
technically very challenging (very sensitive to eddy currents)

complex behavior of Dy-Dy-Dy background losses

narrow Dy FRs resolved at low field

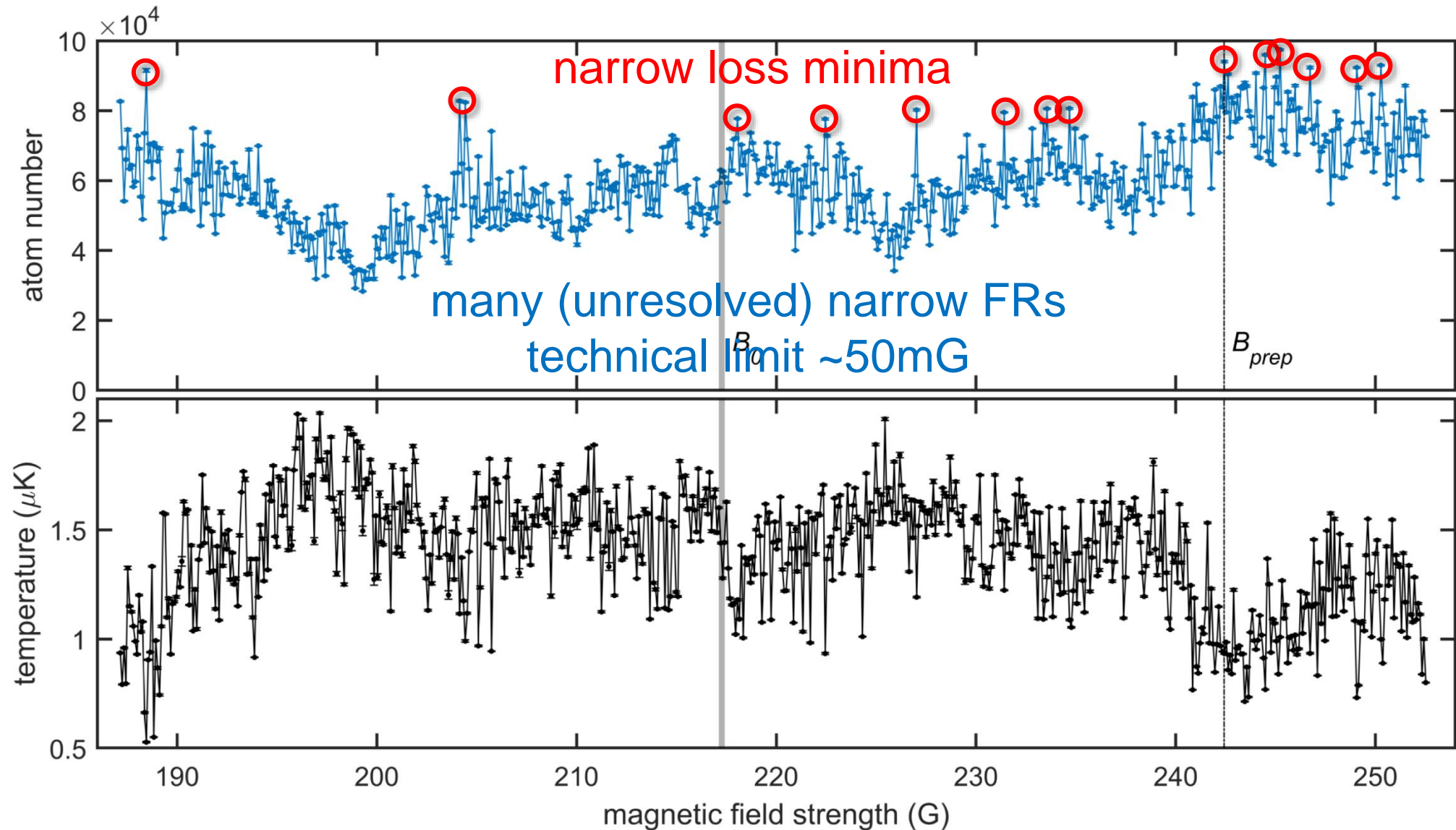
full range ~1G

loss features well resolved, easy to avoid them



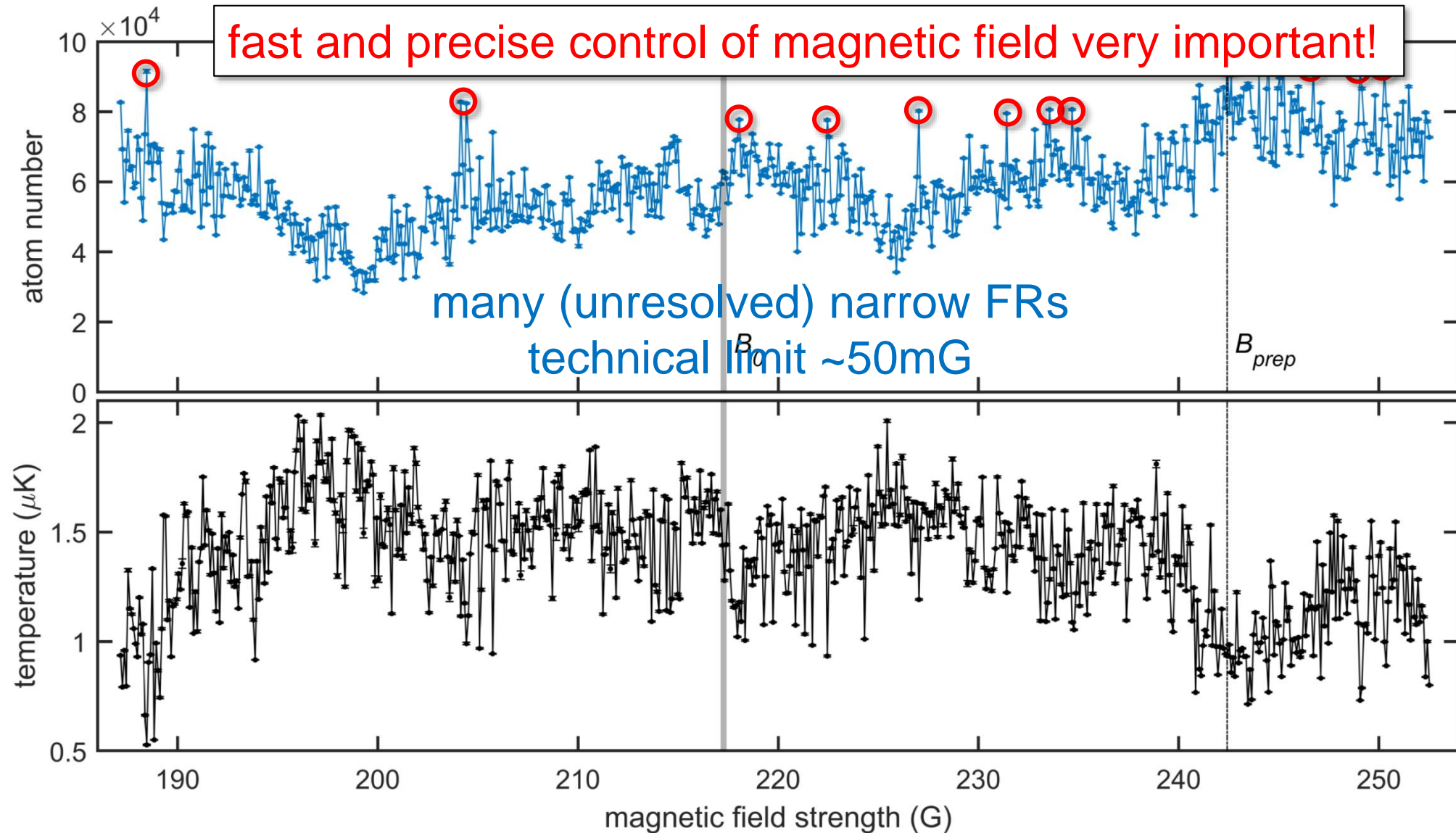
Dy background losses

hold time 600ms

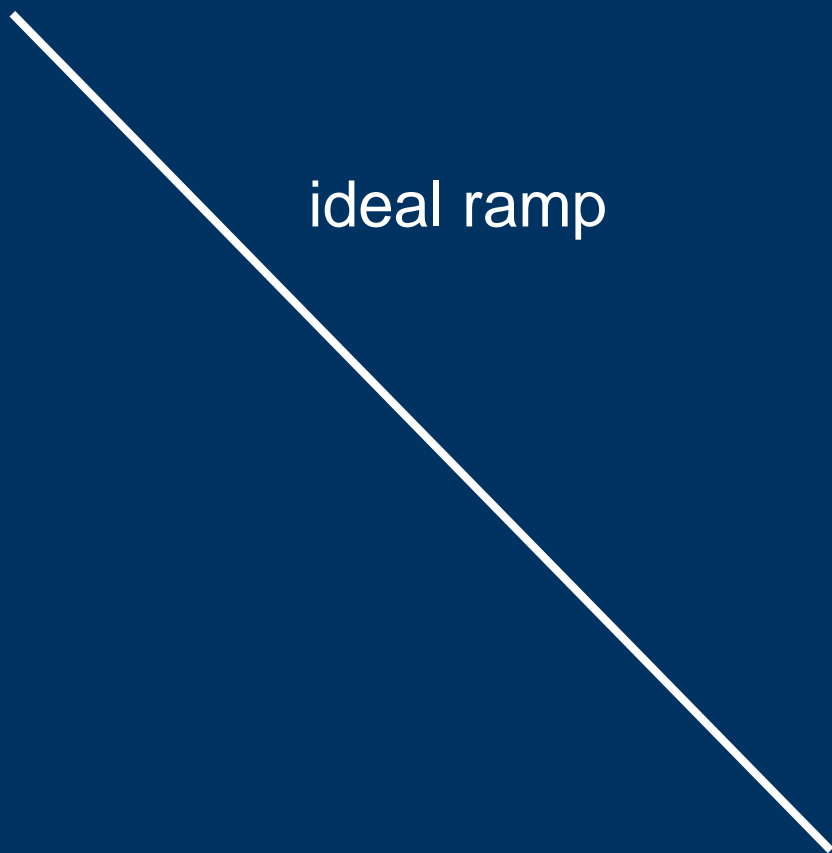


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B-field ramping



ideal ramp

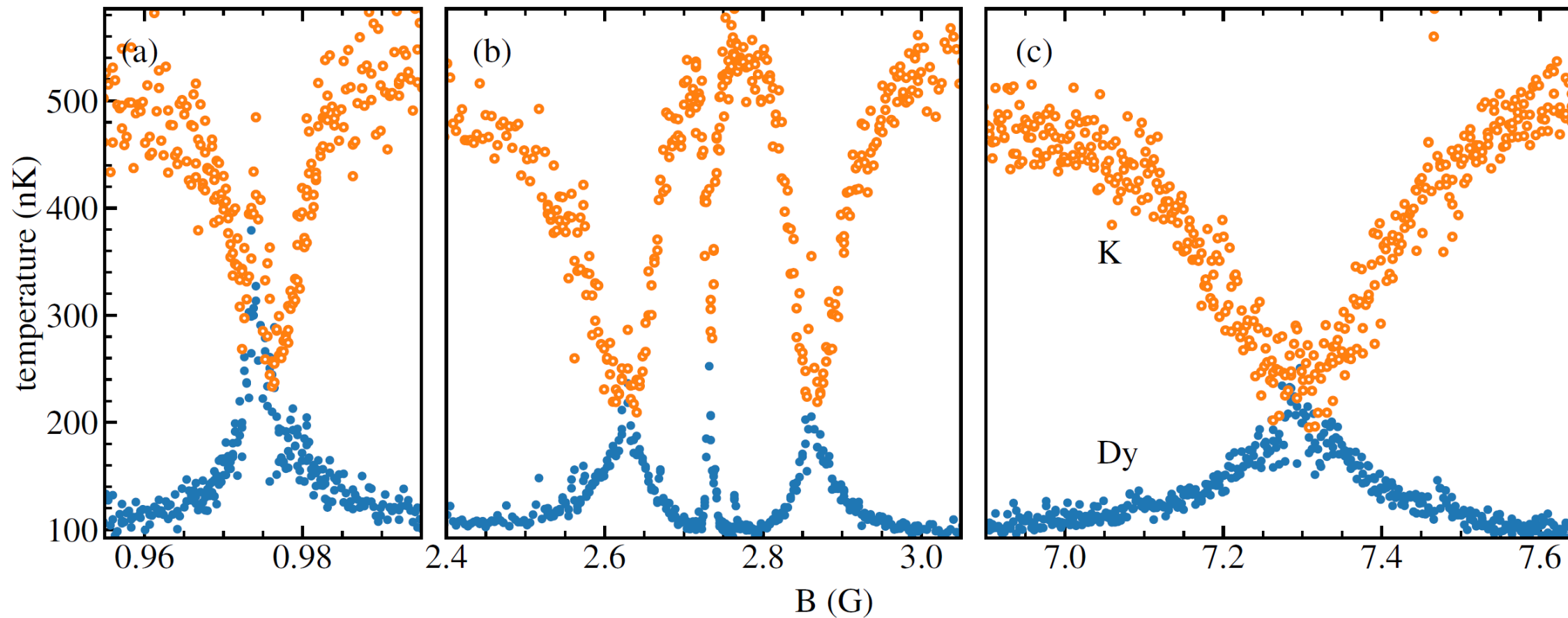


“smart” ramp
for real Dy-world

loss minima

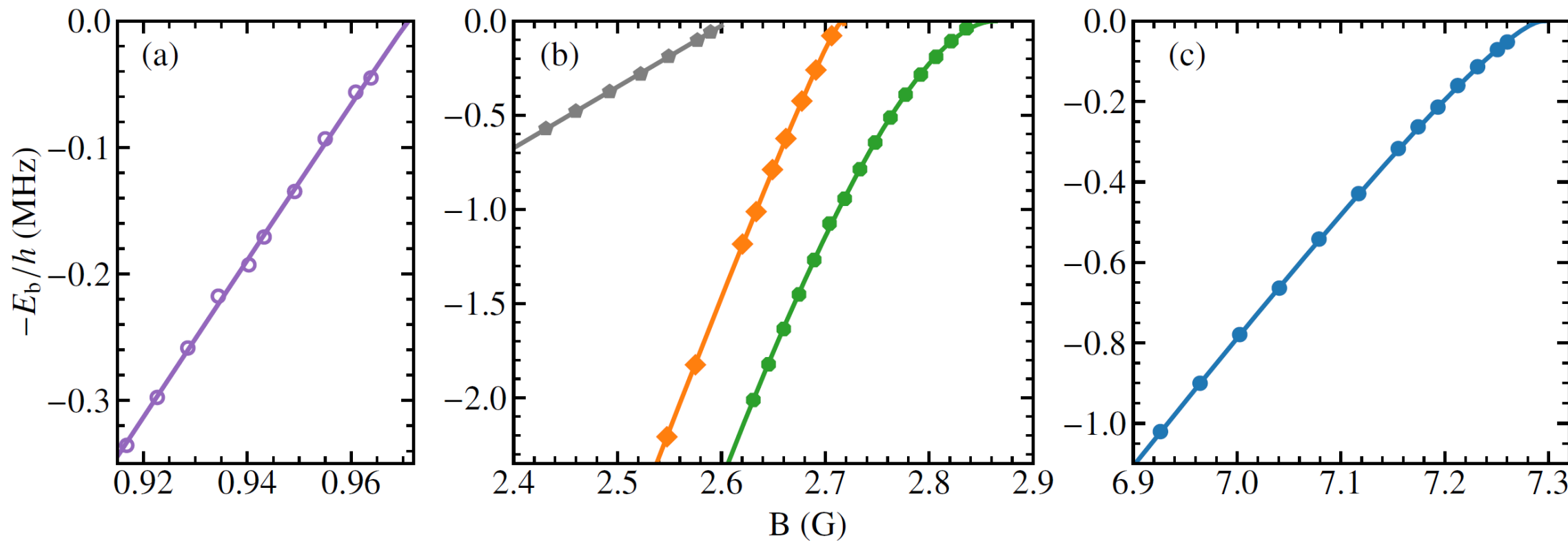
surprise: FRs below 10G

interspecies thermalization



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binding energy measurements
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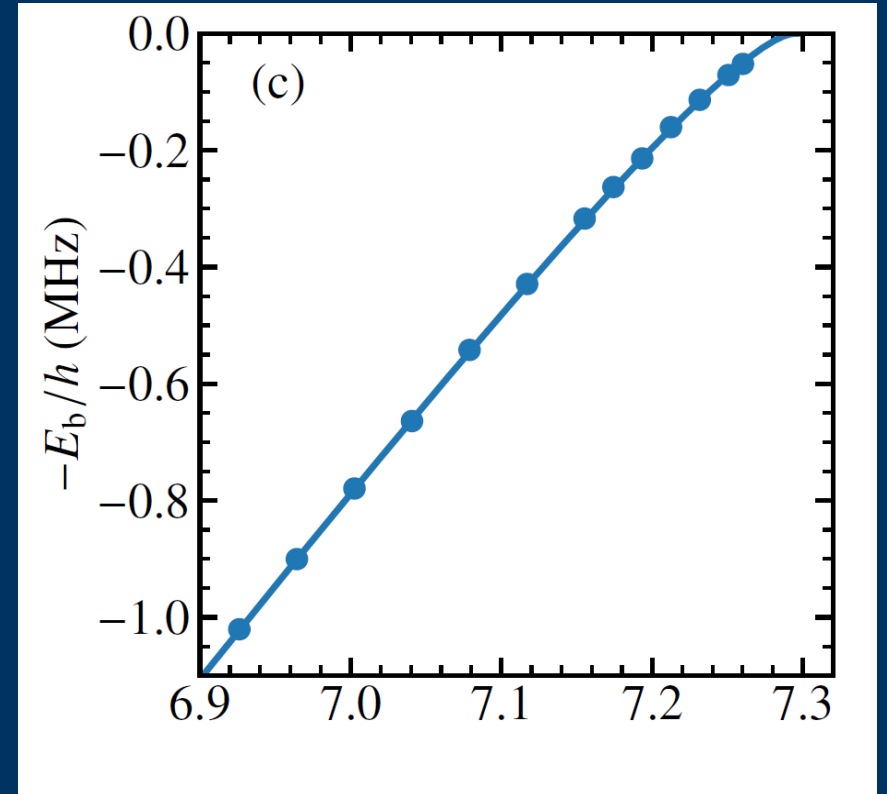


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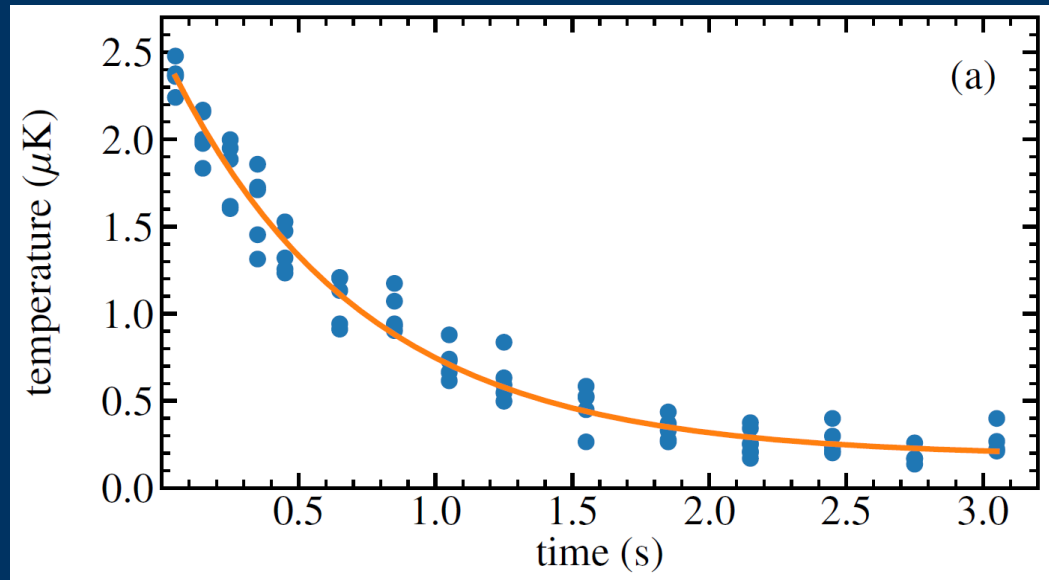
$$E_b = \frac{\hbar^2}{8 (R^*)^2 m_r} \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{4R^*(B - B_0)}{a_0 A}} - 1 \right)^2$$

Petrov, PRL 93, 143201 (2004)

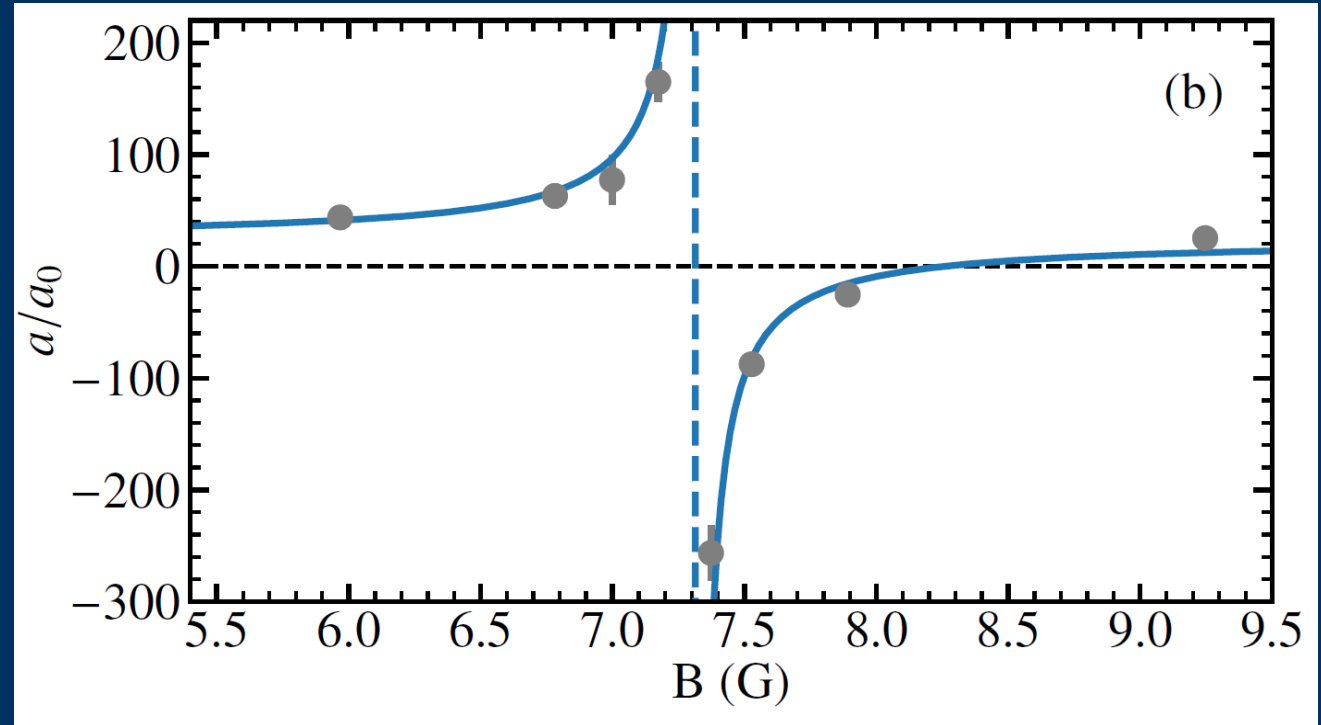


well-isolated FR near 7G

binding energy (B wiggle)



scatt. length (thermal. meas.)



properties of 7G resoance

$$a(B) = a_{\text{bg}} - \frac{A}{B - B_0} a_0$$

universal range:

$$|B - B_0| \ll A a_0 / R^* \approx 36 \text{ mG}$$

mG control of B-field at 7.3G

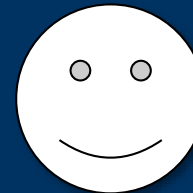
rather convenient for experimentalists

TABLE II. Comparison of fit parameter values related to the 7.29-G Feshbach resonance extracted from different observations (see text).

Method	B_0 (G)	A (G)	R^*/a_0	a_{bg}/a_0
Binding energy III C	7.295(1)	23.2(9)	643(30)	-
Thermalization IV A	7.314(20)	22.8(2.6)	-	24.2(4.7)
	7.295 ^a	23.4(2.4)	-	22.8(4.5)
Hydrodynamics IV C	7.290(2)	23.2 ^b	-	-

^a The pole position B_0 is fixed to the value of the binding energy measurements.

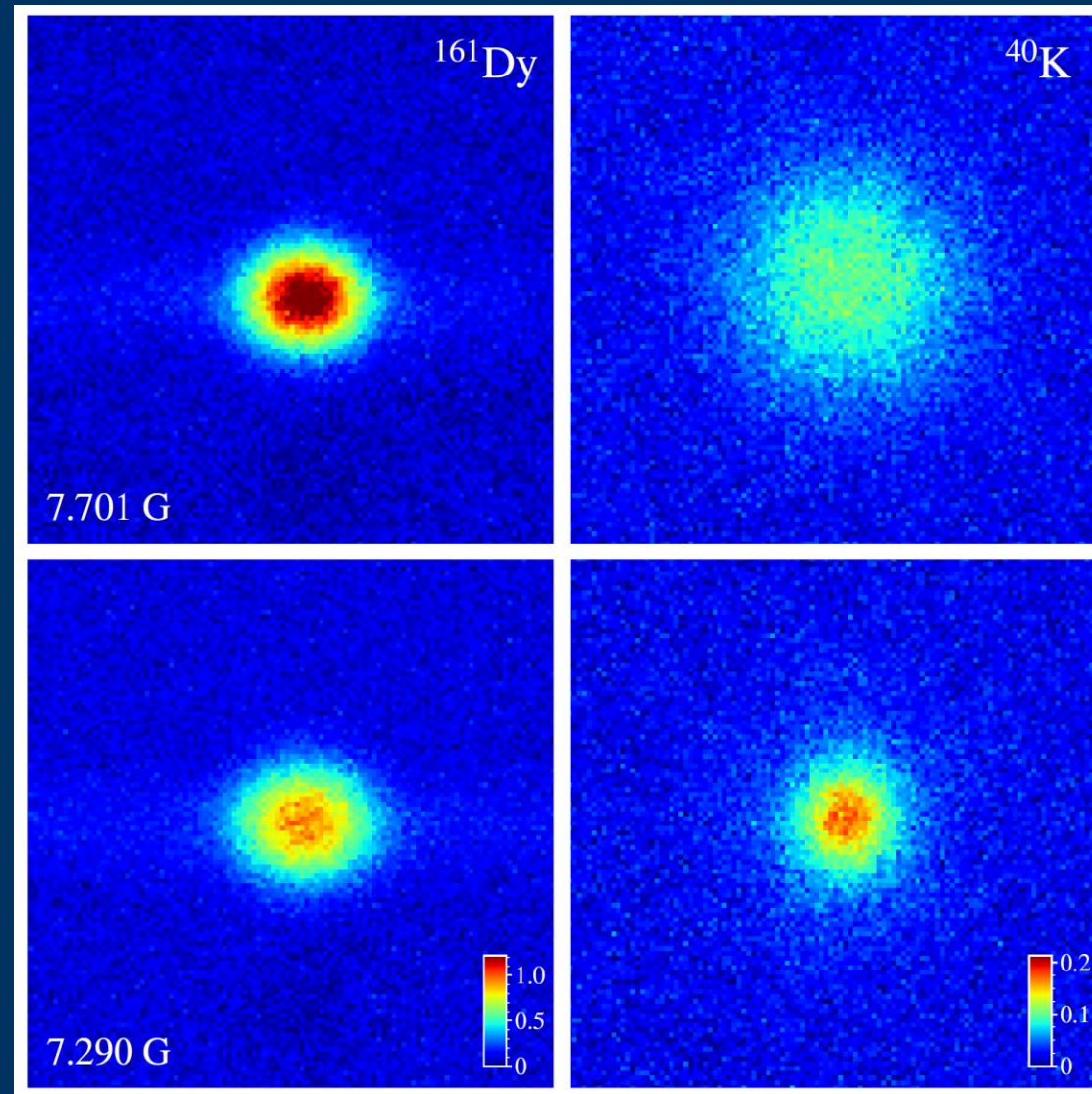
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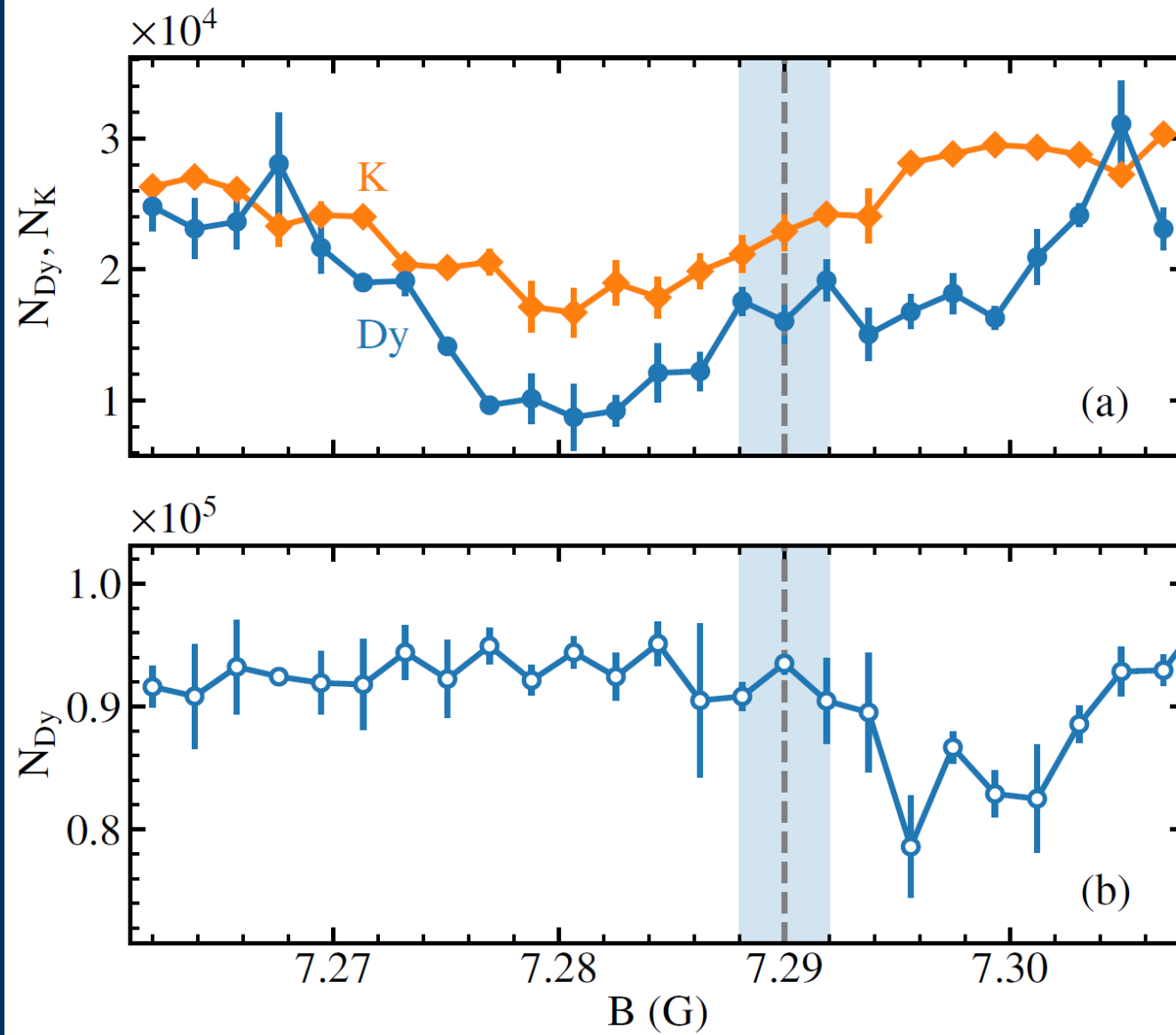
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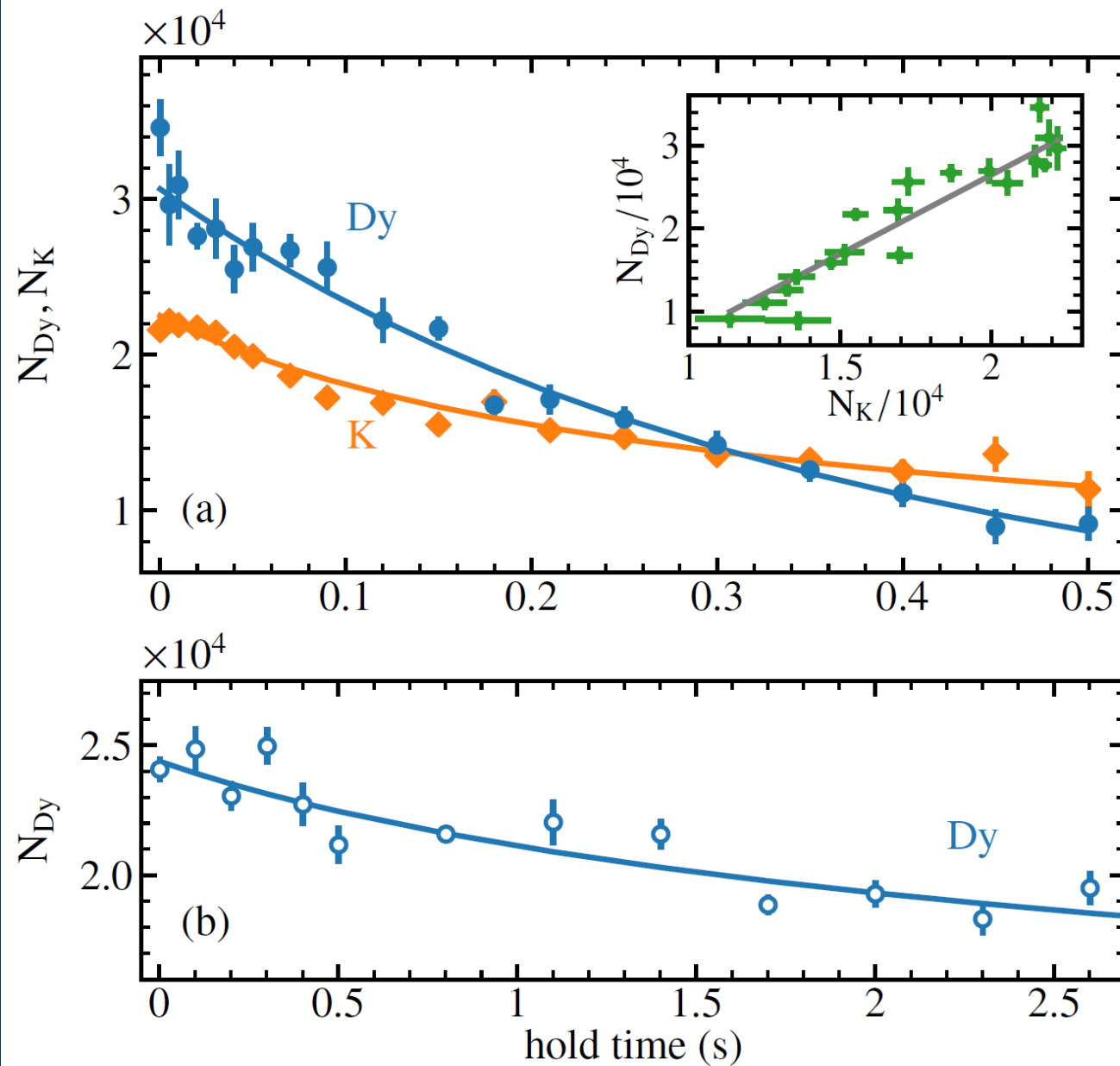
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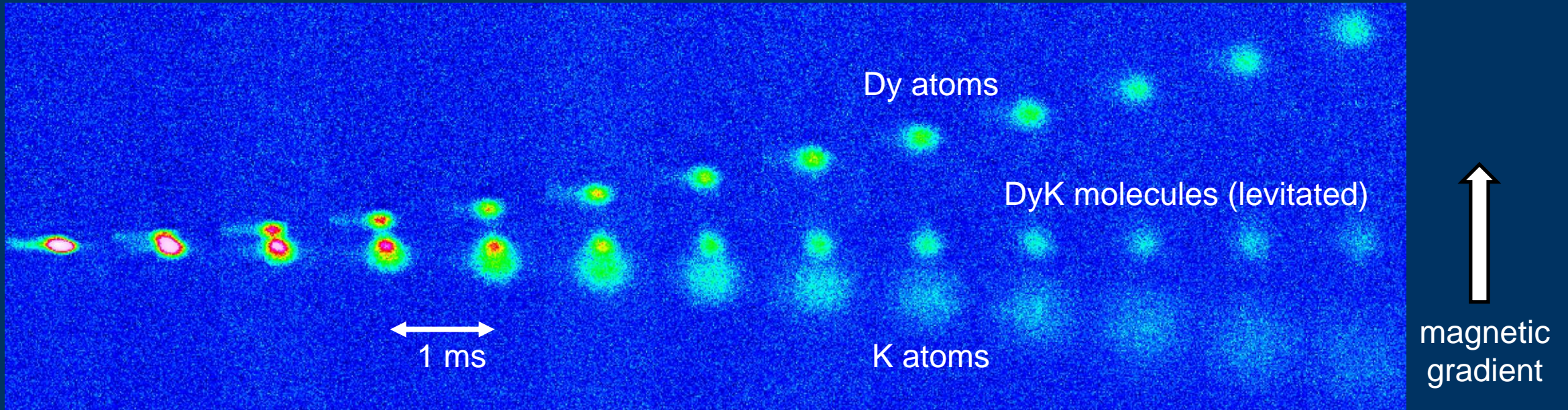
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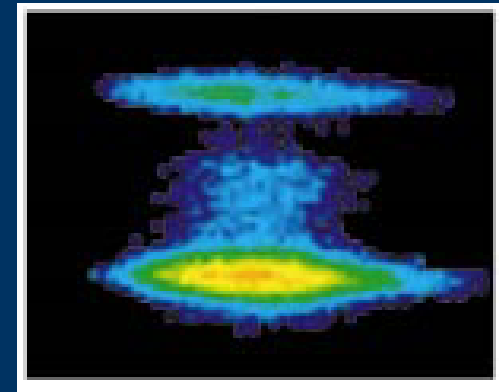
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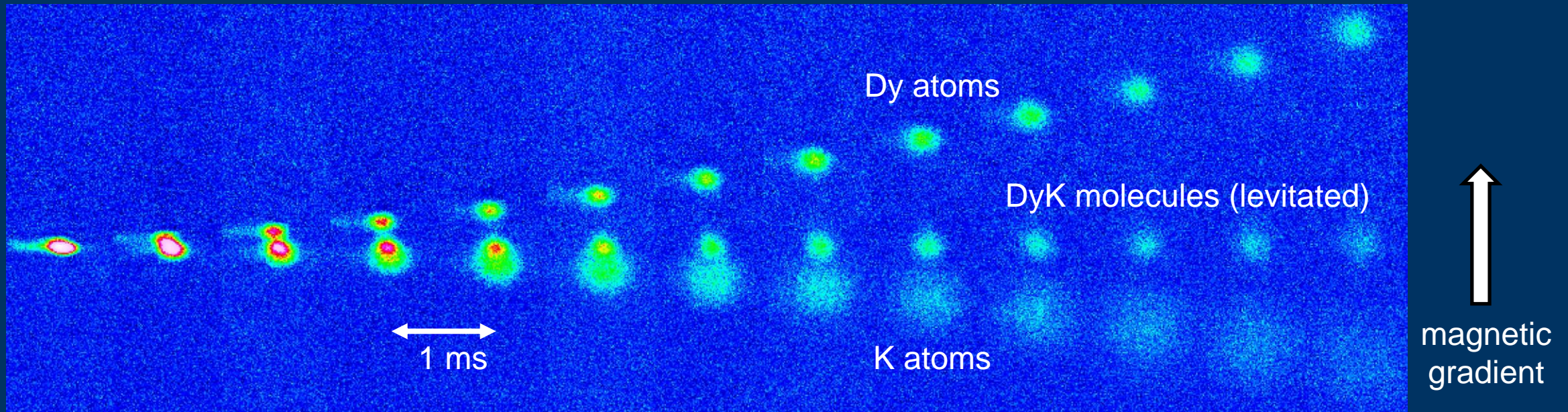
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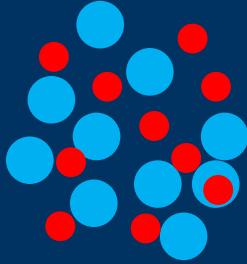


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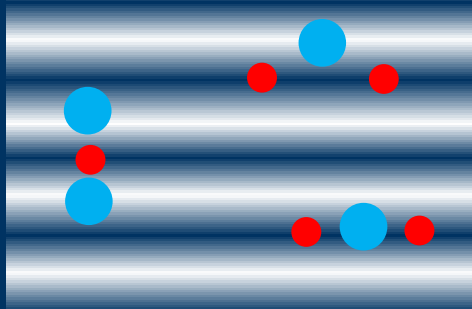


let's go for the next step:
BEC of heteronuclear Feshbach molecules

great potential in few- and many-body physics



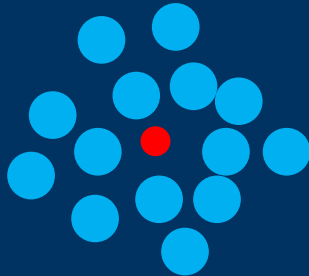
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few-body states in low-D and mixed-D

Nishida and Tan, PRL 101, 170401 (2008)

Levinson et al., PRL 103, 153202 (2009)



Fermi polarons in medium of heavy particles

general conclusion

Ultracold fermion mixtures:
a great playground for physics
of strongly interacting many-body systems

many opportunities and challenges
for experiment and theory



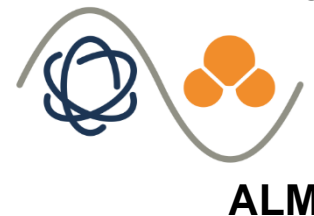
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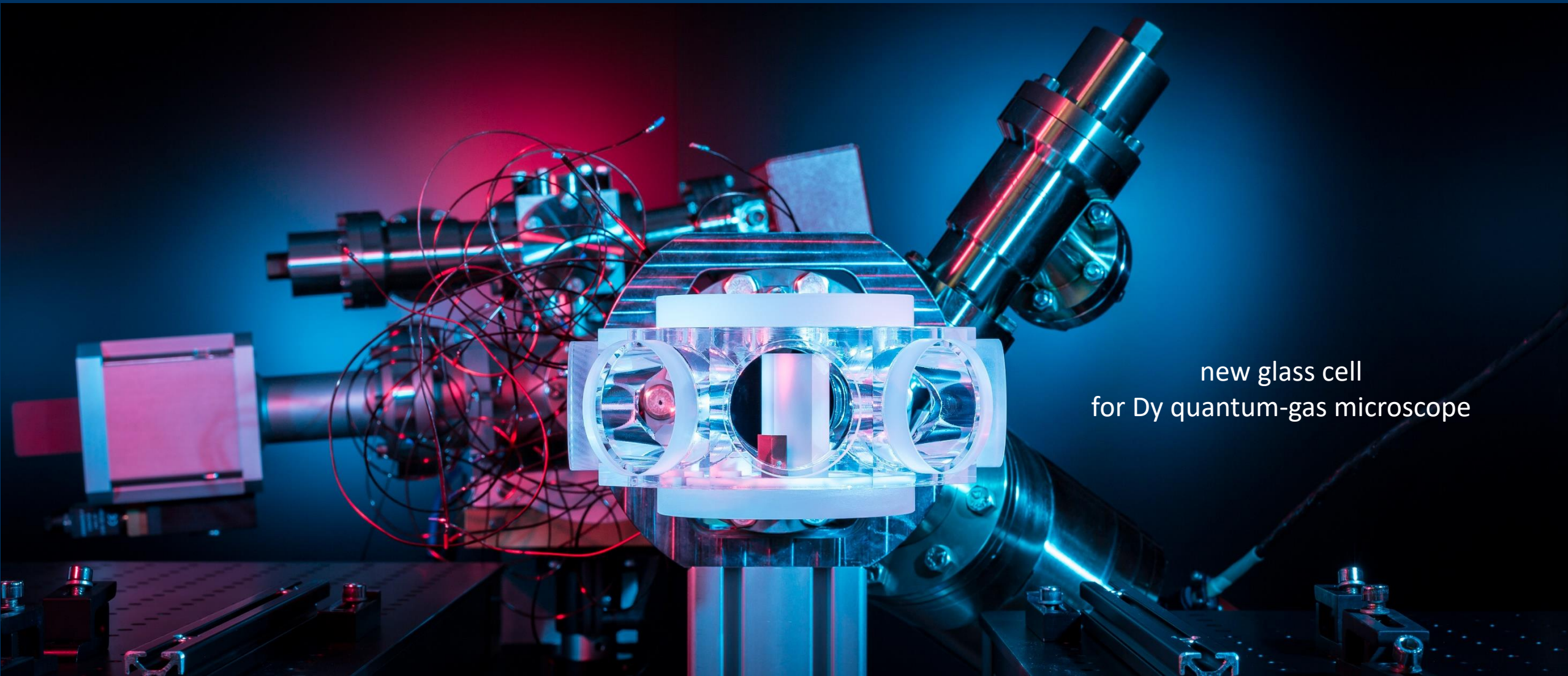
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