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

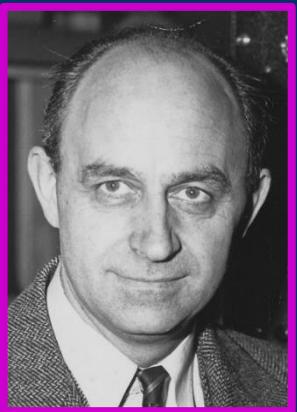
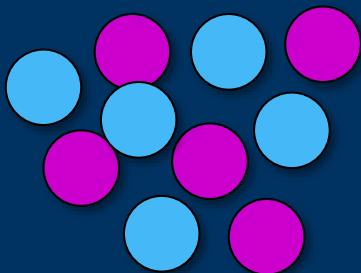
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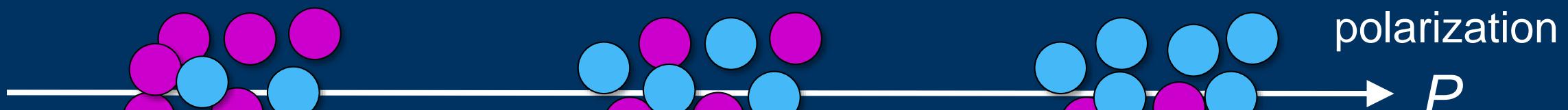
Inst. of Experimental Physics



50/50
spin mixture



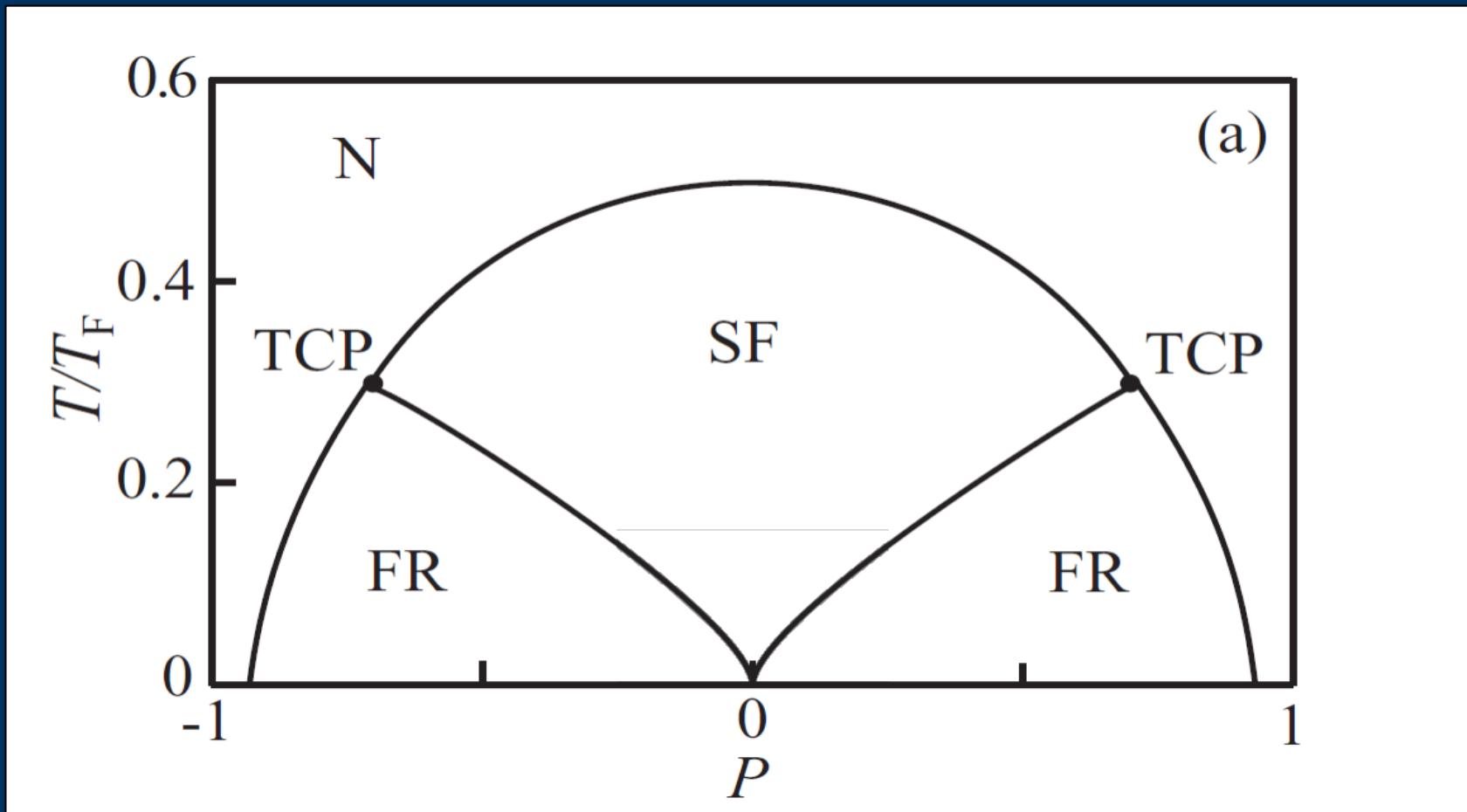
population imbalance



theoretical phase diagram

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

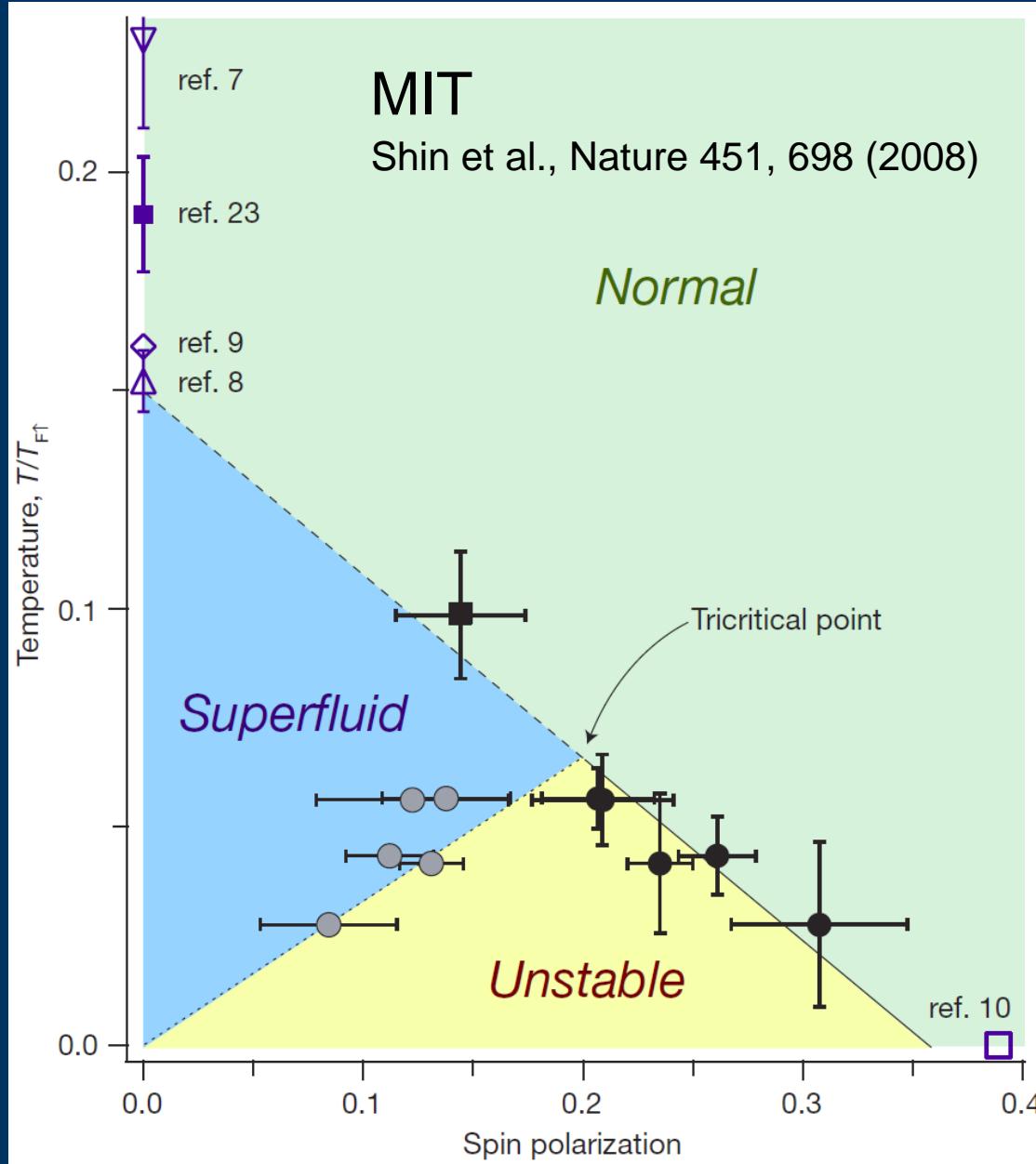
homogeneous case on resonance, mean-field approach



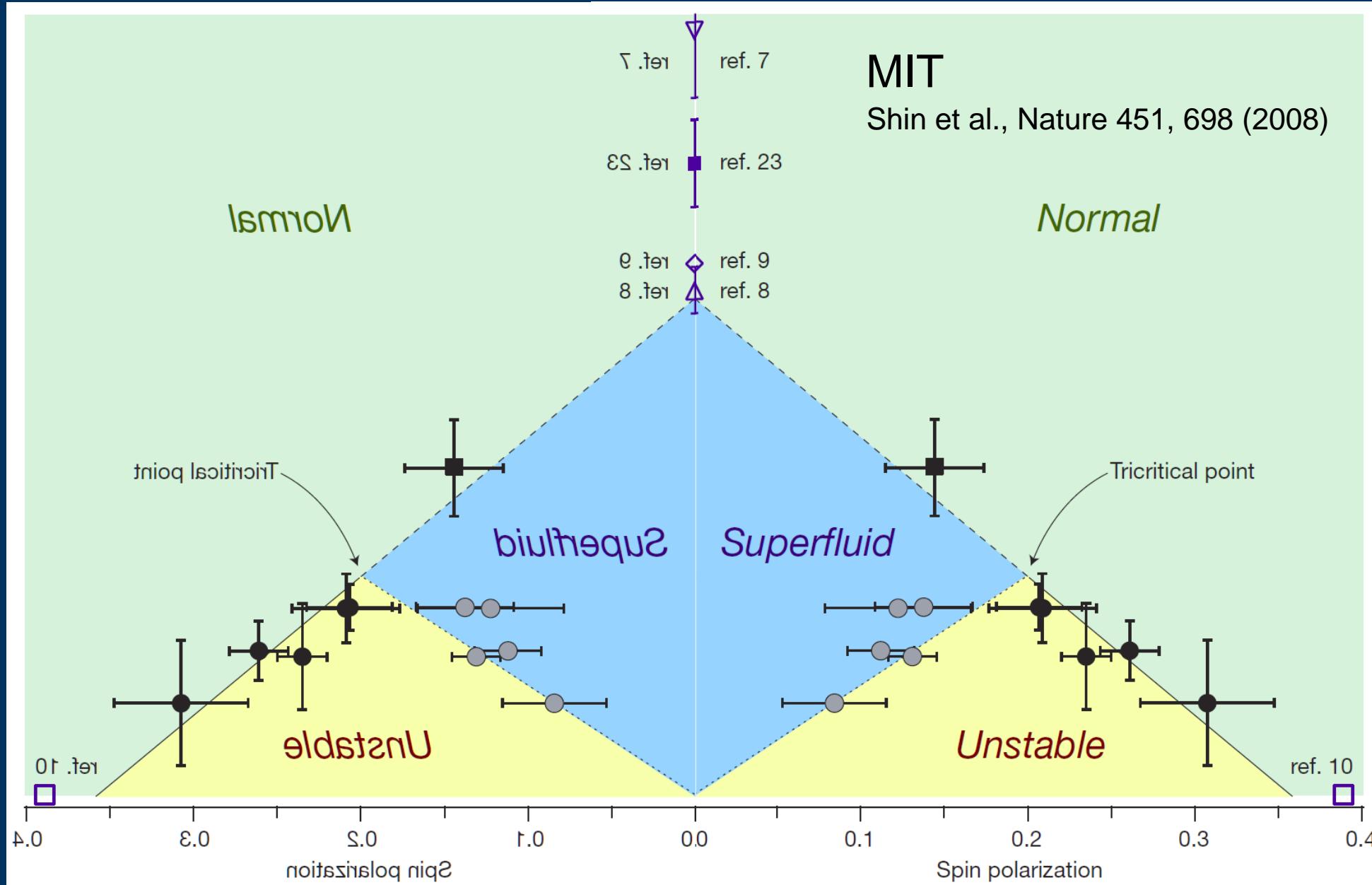
phase diagram of a resonant “unitary” Fermi gas

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)



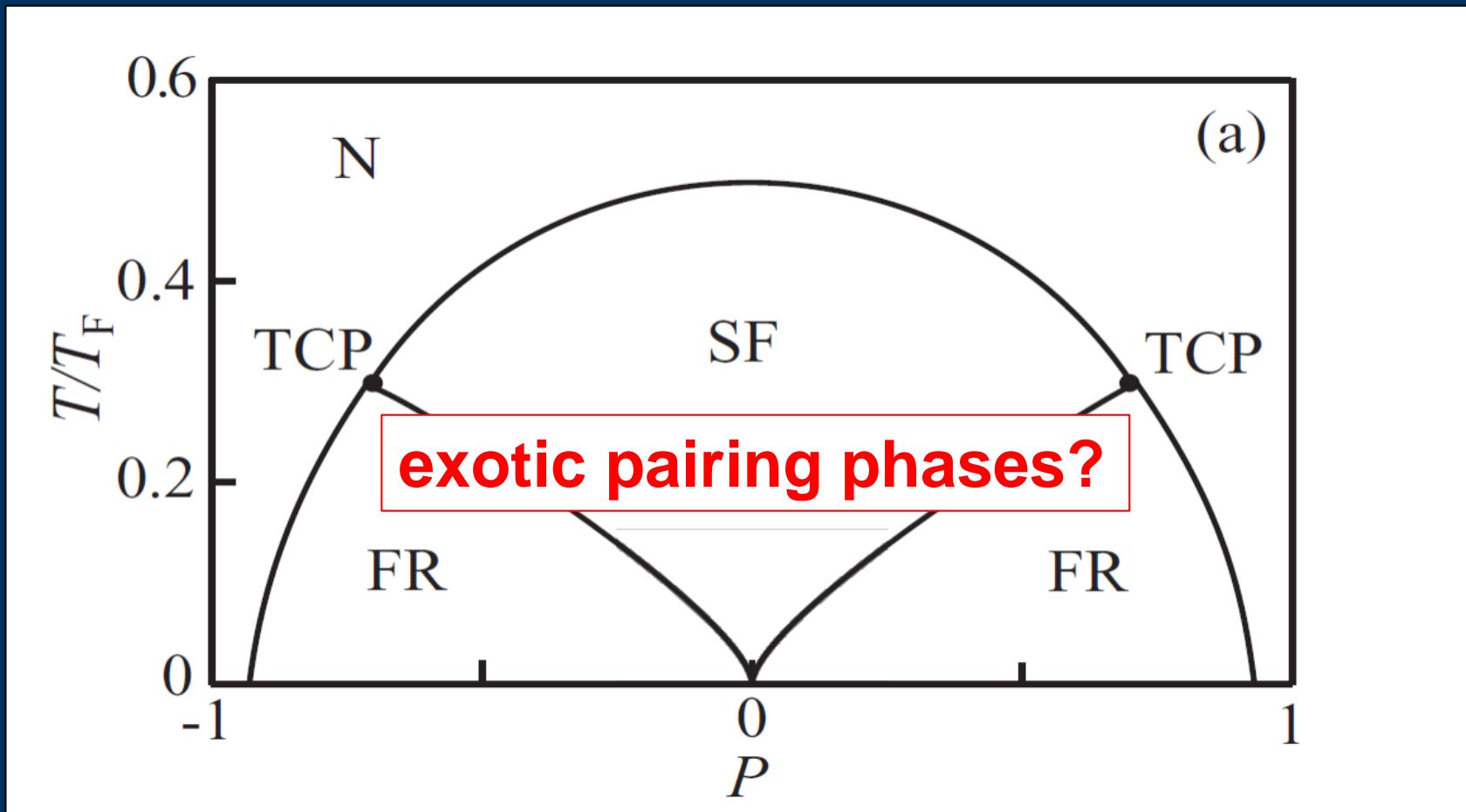
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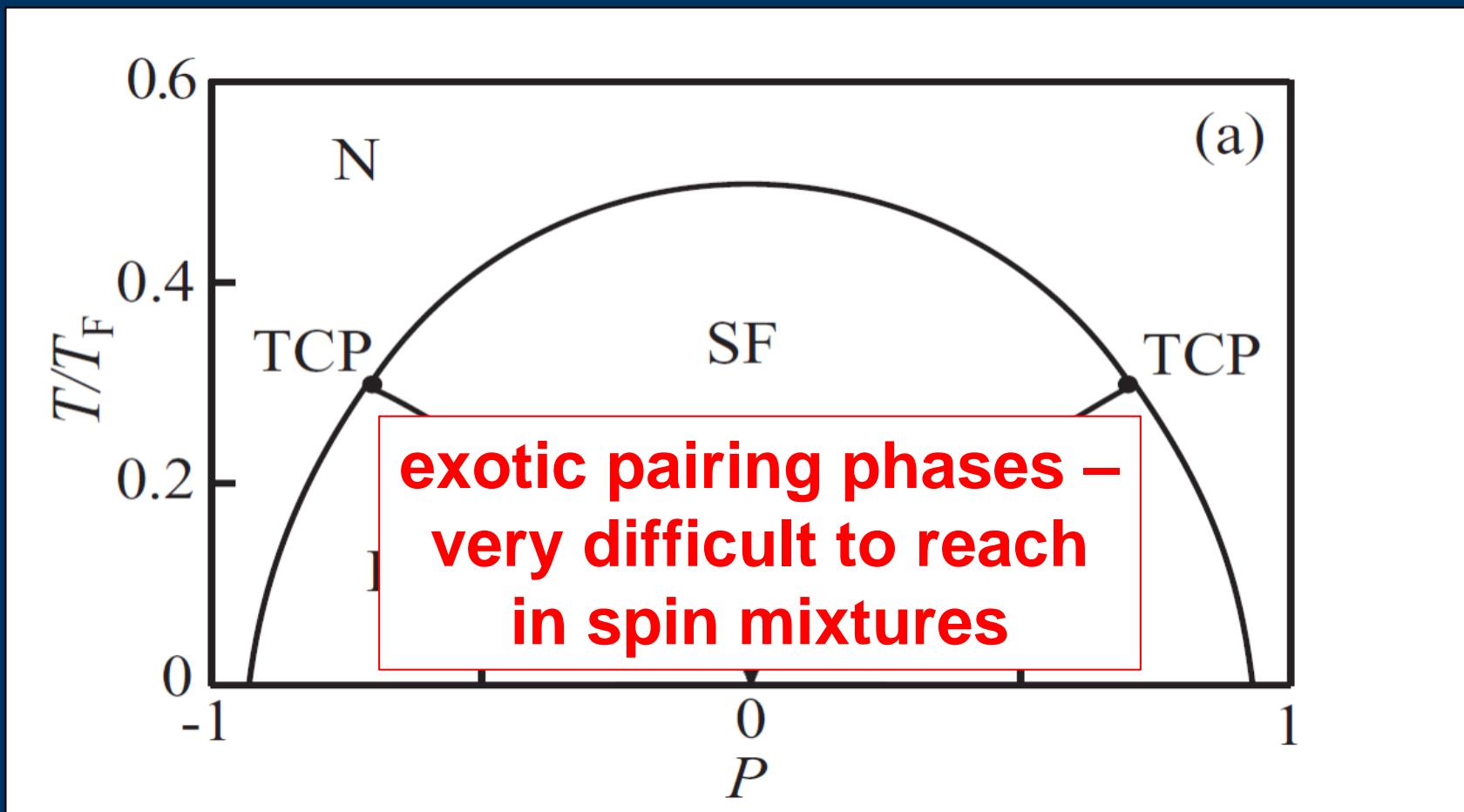
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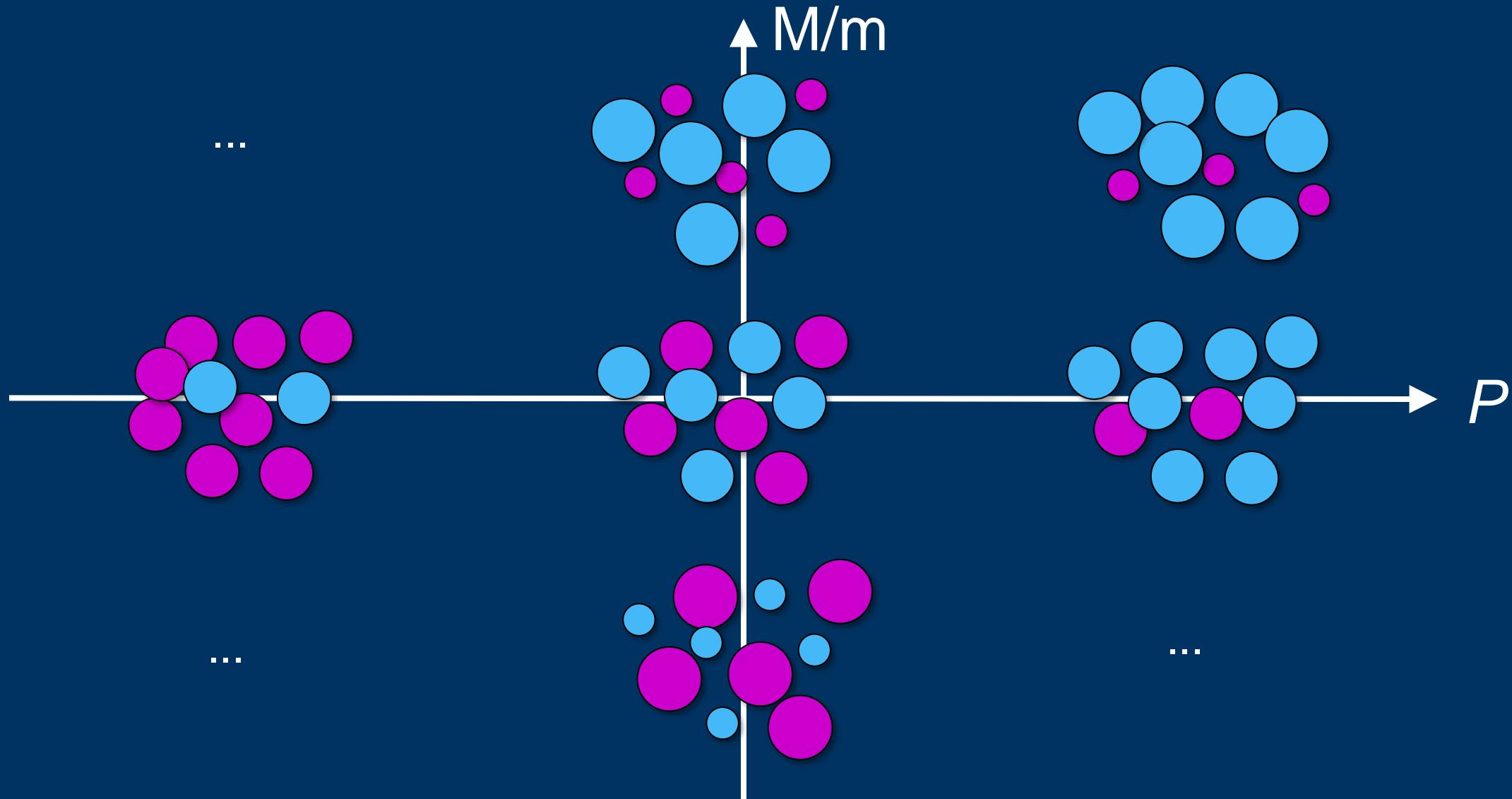
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both mass and population imbalance

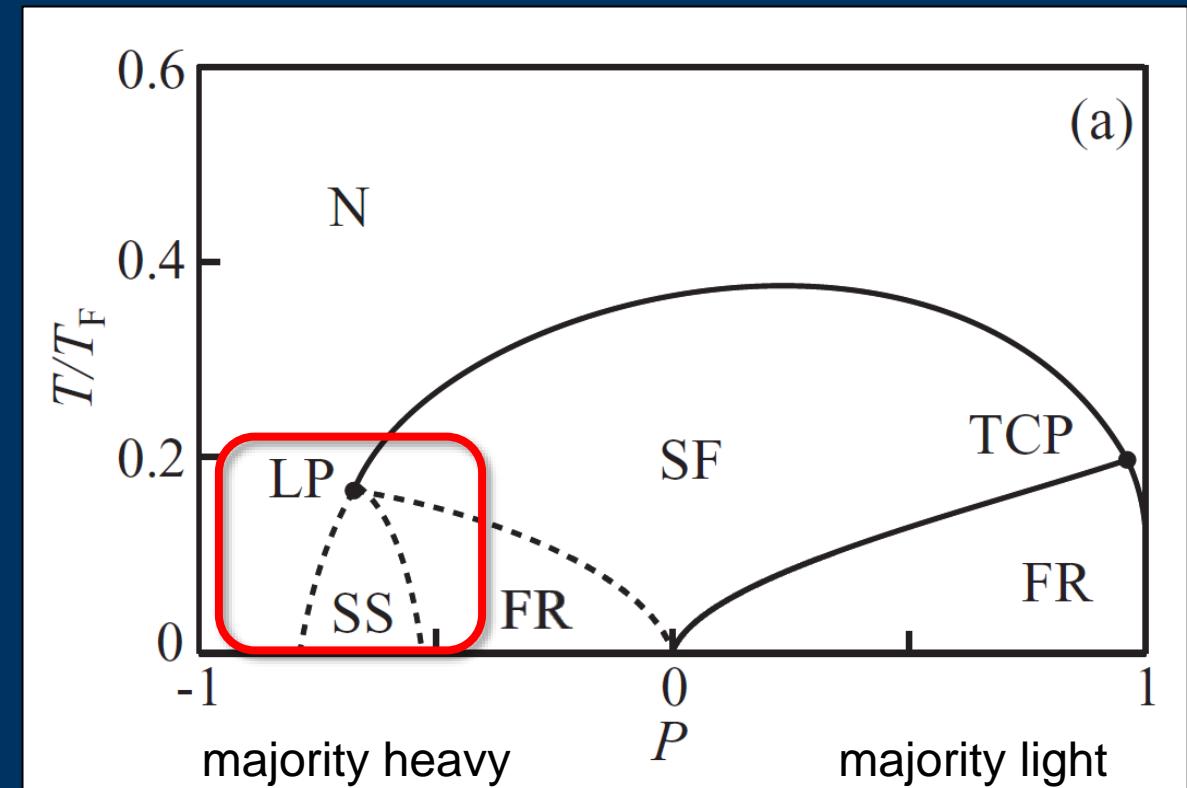
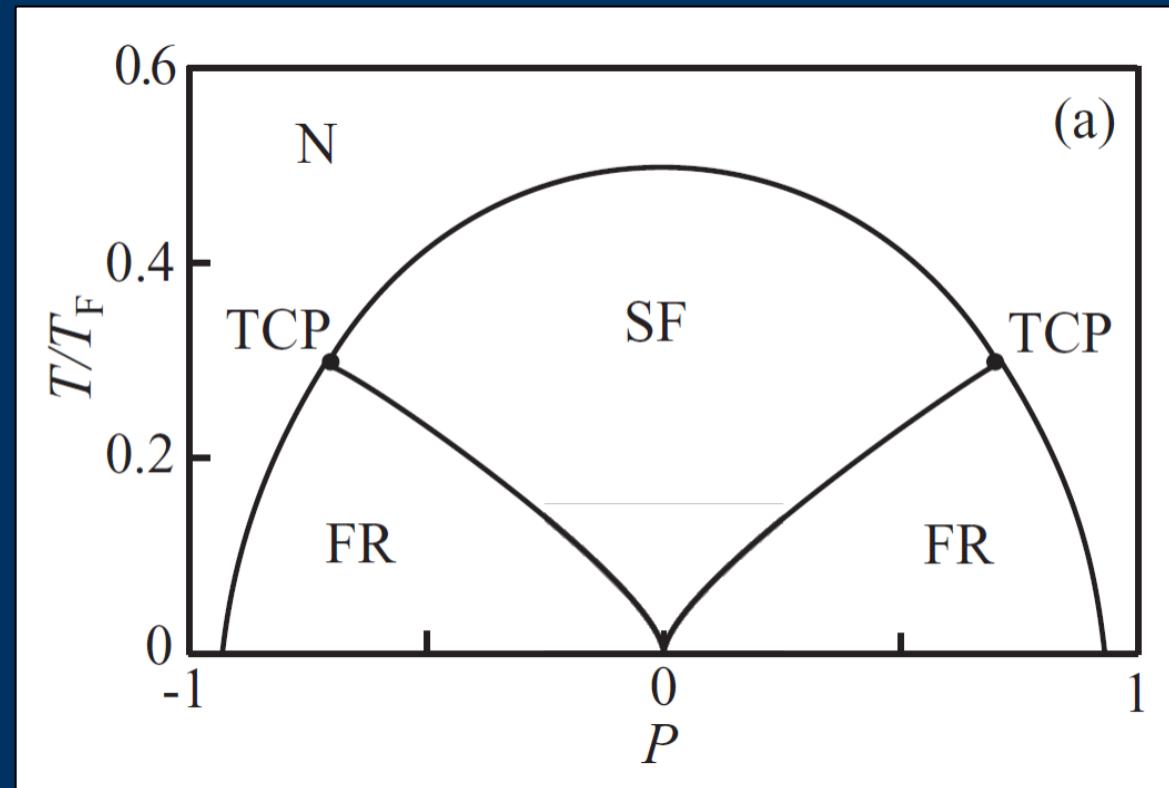


effect of mass imbalance on phase diagram

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

$M/m = 1$ (mass balanced)

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



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

exciting things happen
in expt. accessible range



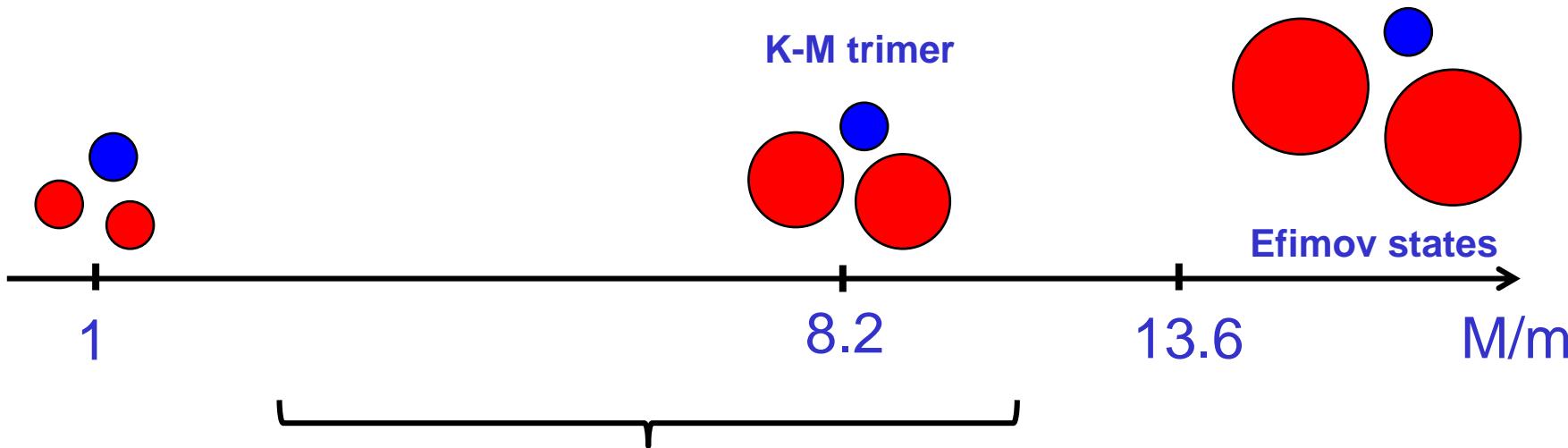
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6	Cs	Ba	*La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
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* Lanthanide Series

+ Actinide Series

58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu
90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103
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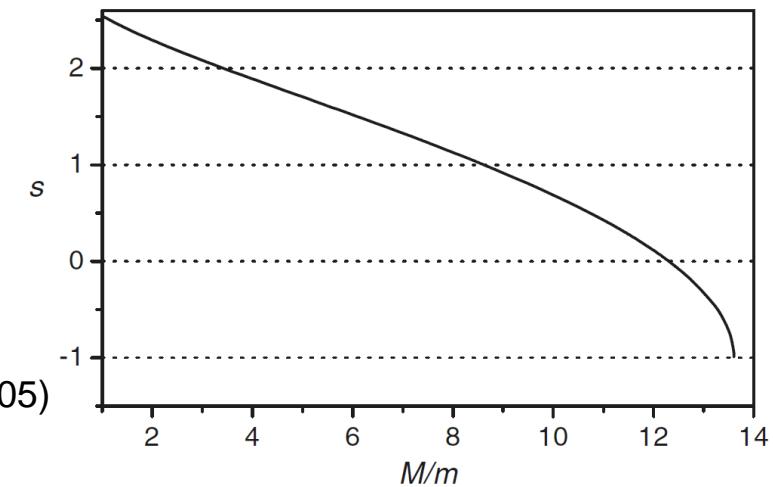
few-body physics of fermionic mixtures



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)



	IA	IIA
1	H	
2	Li	Be
3	Na	
4	K	Ca
5	Rb	Sr
6	Cs	Ba
7	Fr	Ra

candidates for Fermi-Fermi mixture

would be the obvious choice, but...

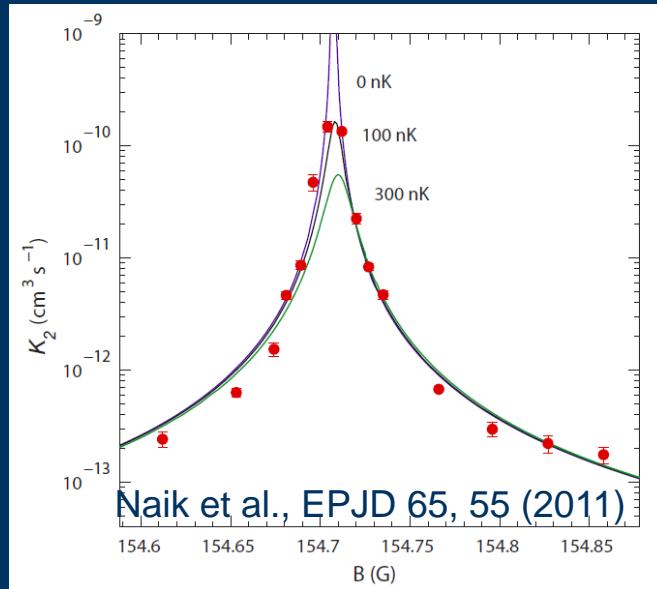
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2			Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
3			Ge	As	Se	Br		
4			Ga					
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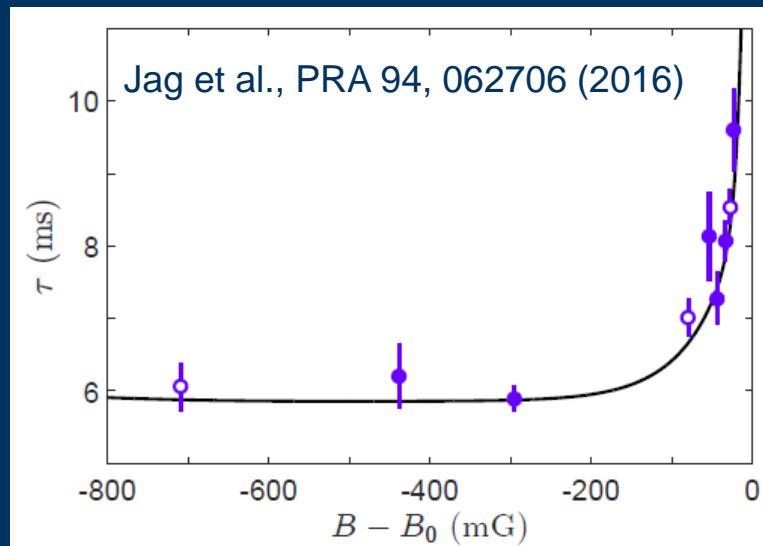
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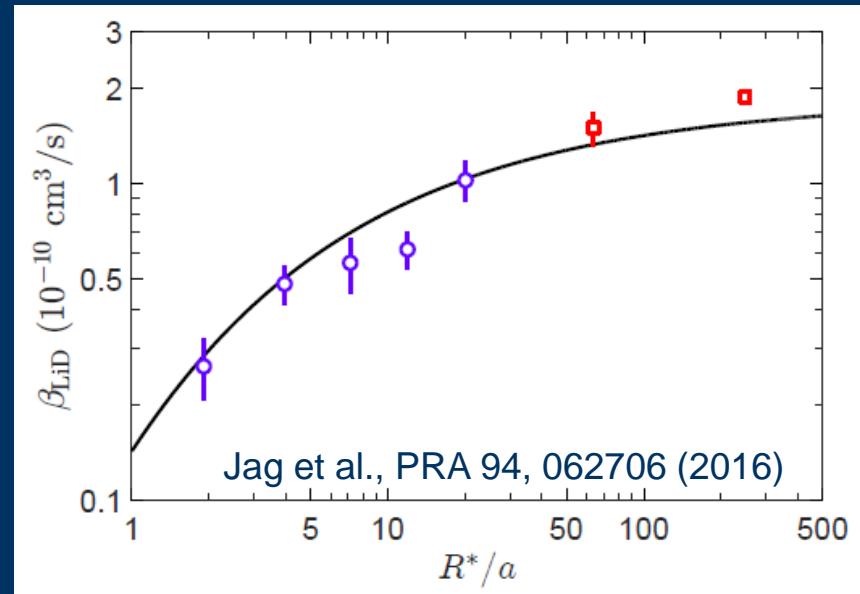
“secrets” of ${}^6\text{Li}$ - ${}^{40}\text{K}$ Feshbach resonances



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!

IA O

1 H 2 He

2 Li 3 Be

3 Na 4 Mg

4 K 5 Ca 6 Sc 7 Ti 8 V 9 Cr 10 Mn 11 Fe 12 Co 13 Ni 14 Cu 15 Zn 16 Ga 17 Si 18 P 19 S 20 Ar

5 Rb 6 Sr 7 Y 8 Zr 9 Nb 10 Mo 11 Tc 12 Ru 13 Rh 14 Pd 15 Ag 16 Cd 17 In 18 Sn 19 Sb 20 Te 21 I 22 Xe

6 Cs 7 Ba 8 *La 9 Hf 10 Ta 11 W 12 Re 13 Os 14 Ir 15 Pt 16 Au 17 Hg 18 Tl 19 Pb 20 Bi 21 Po 22 At 23 Rn

7 Fr 8 Ra 9 +Ac 10 Rf 11 Ha 12 Sg 13 Ns 14 Hs 15 Mt 16 110 17 111 18 112 19 113 20 113

candidates for Fermi-Fermi mixture

Matteo's talk!

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90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No	103 Lr

+ Actinide Series

candidates for Fermi-Fermi mixture

IA	H	IIA	Be	IIIIB	IVB	VB	VIB	VIIB	VII		IB	IIB	IIIA	IVA	VA	VIA	VIIA	O	
1	1 H	2 Li	3 Be	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Ne	
2	11 Na	12 Mg	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24 Cr	25	26	27	28	
3	19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Al	32 Si	33 P	34 S	35 Cl	36 Ar	
4	37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Ga	51 Ge	52 As	53 Se	54 Br	Kr
5	55 Cs	56 Ba	*57 La	58 Hf	59 Ta	60 W	61 Re	62 Os	63 Ir	64 Pt	65 Au	66 Hg	67 Tl	68 Pb	69 Bi	70 Po	71 At	72 Xe	
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our choice

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Dy-K team

present



Elisa
Soave



Marian
Kreyer



Alberto
Canali

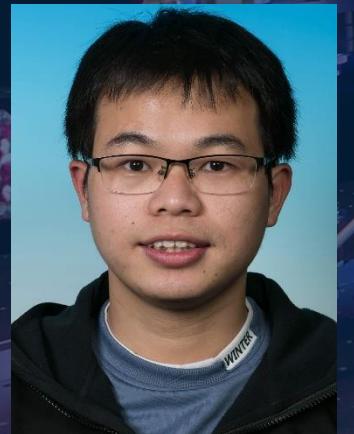
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Cornee
Ravensbergen



Slava
Tzanova



Zhuxiong
Ye



Emil
Kirilov



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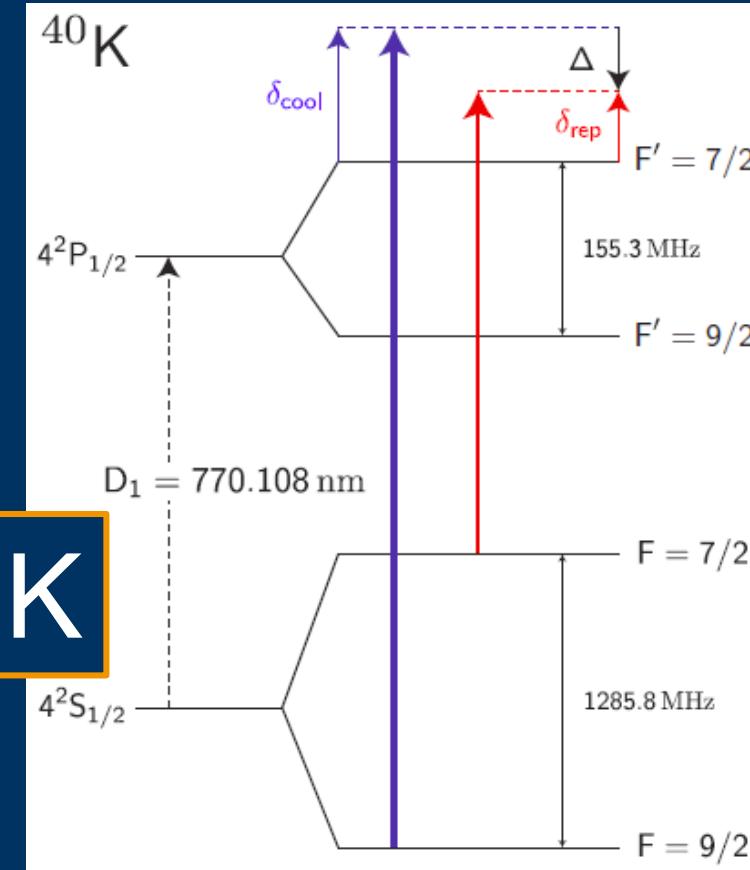
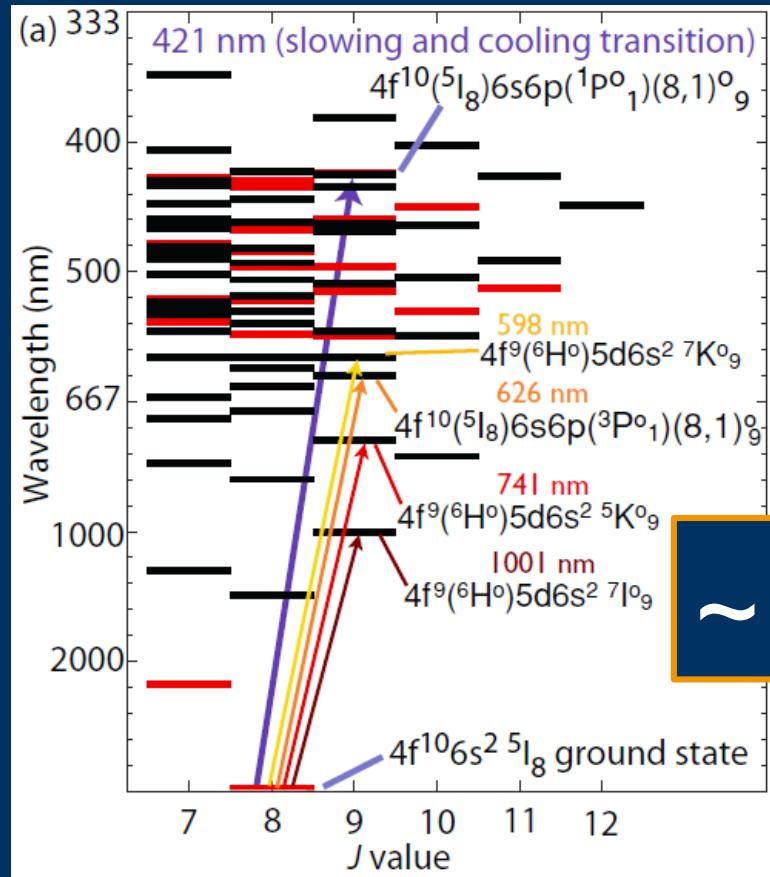
Jeong Ho
Han



Vincent
Corre

laser cooling properties of Dy and K

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



421nm - Zeeman slowing

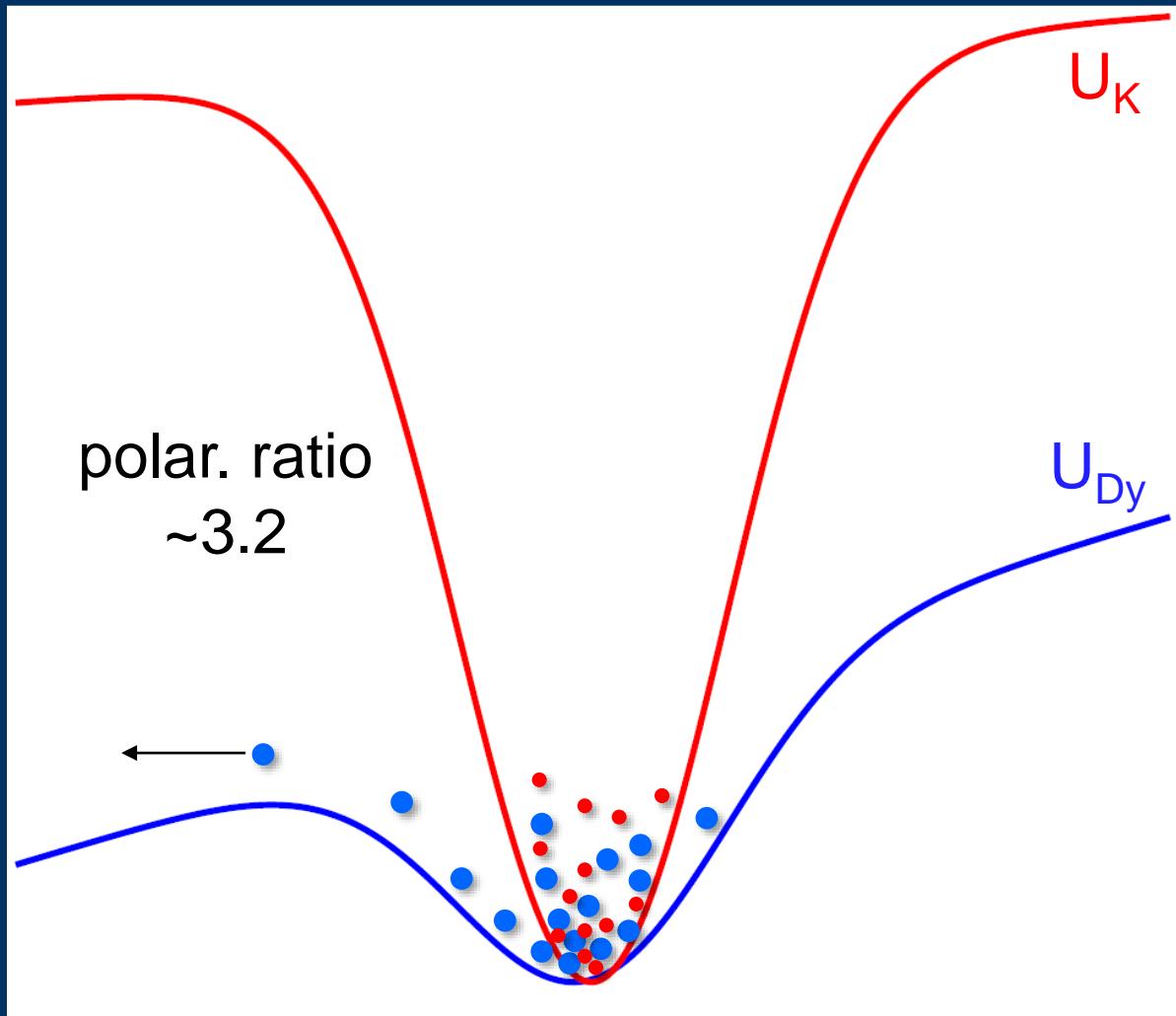
626nm – MOT

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

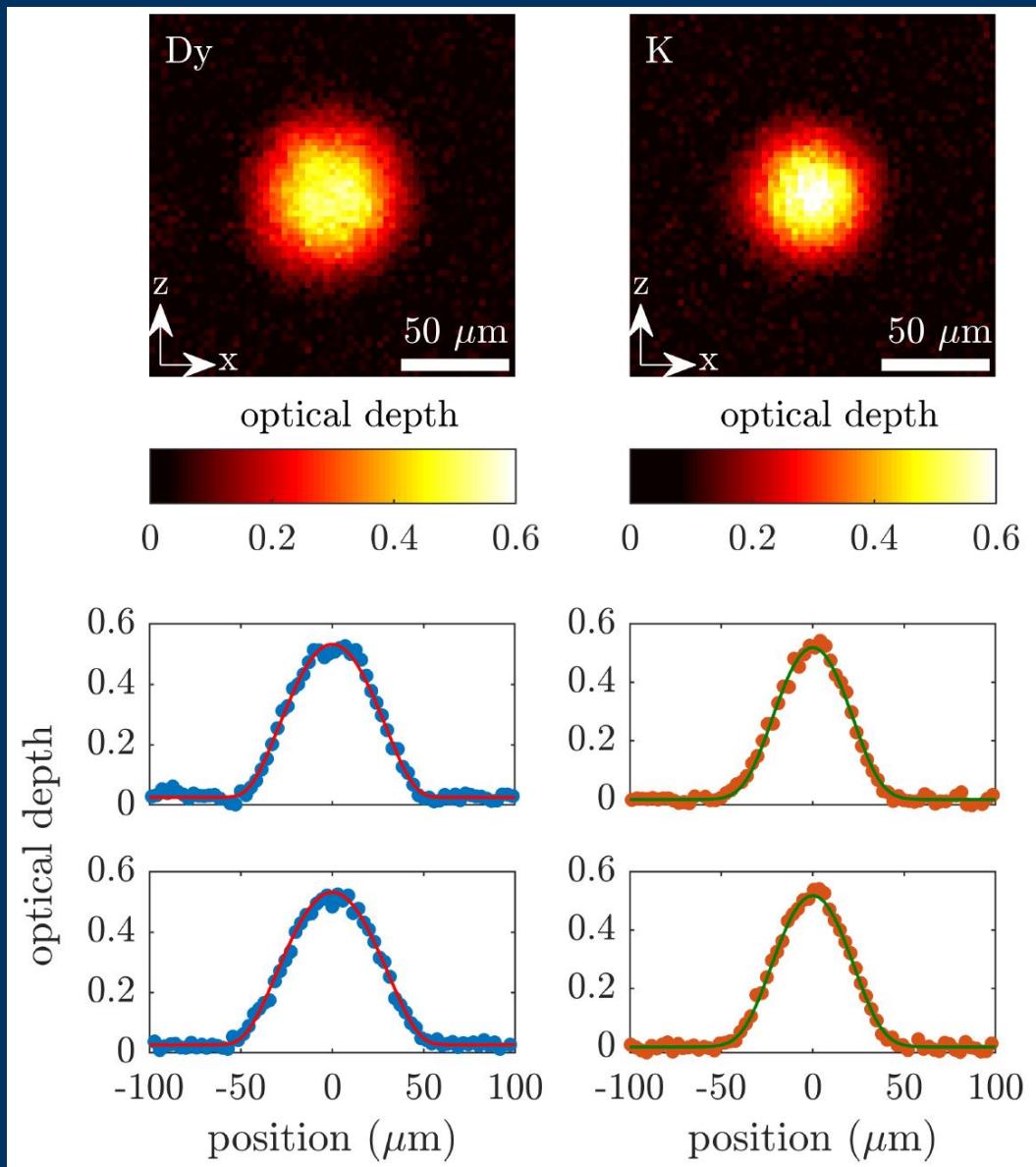


Ravensbergen et al., PRA 98, 063624 (2018)

^{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 @ $T/T_F \approx 0.08$

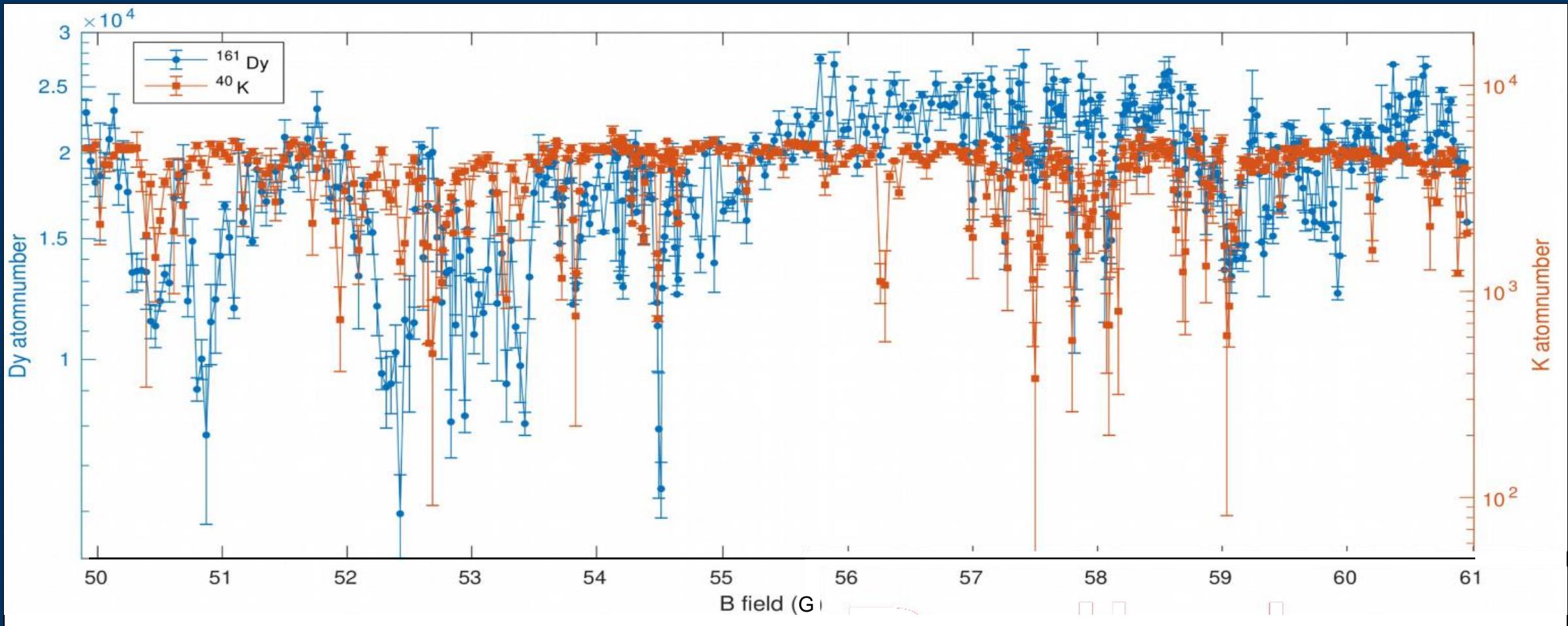
number ratio can be controlled
by MOT loading times



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

many narrow resonances (as expected)

early B scan (2018)

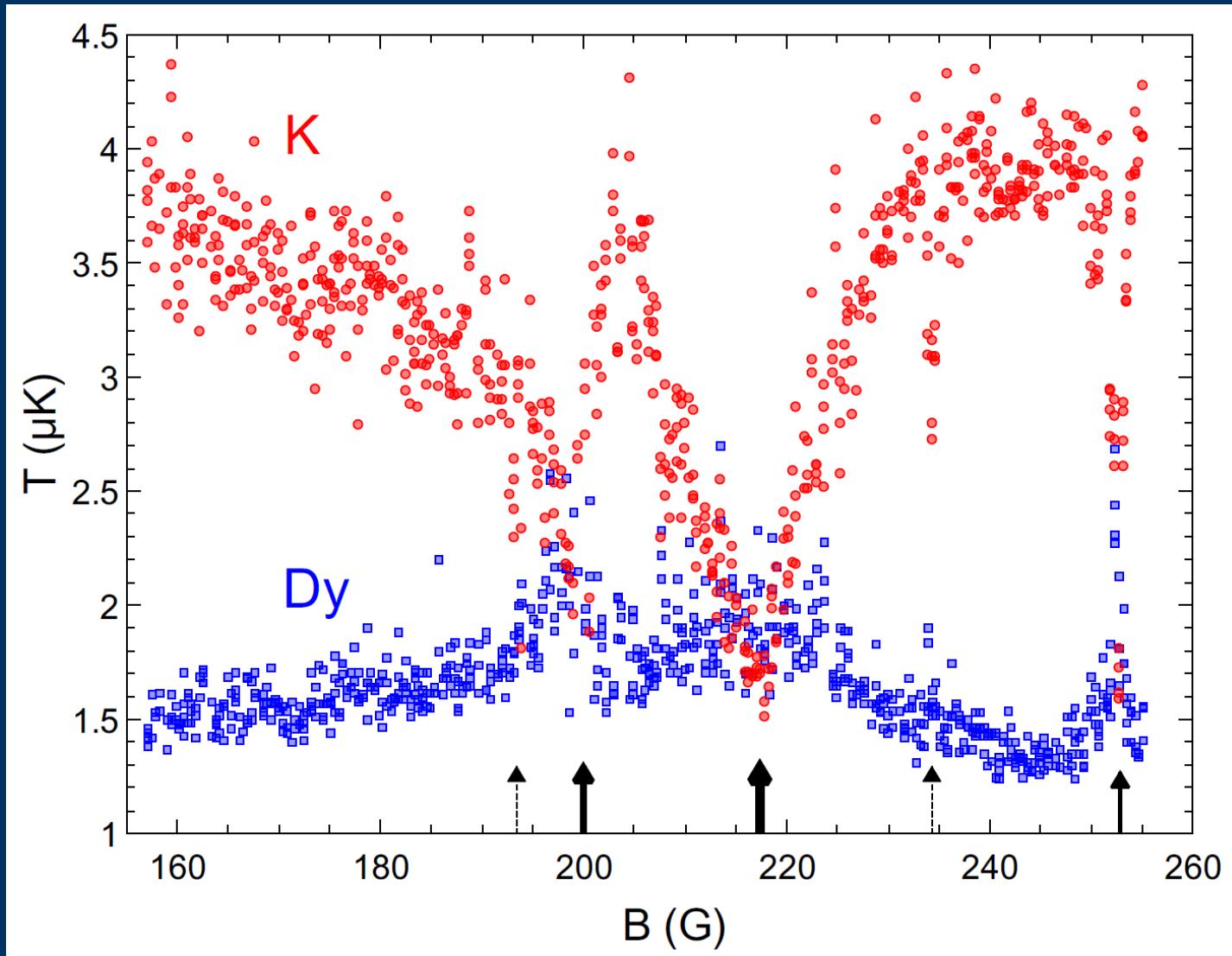


many narrow intraspecies (Dy) and intraspecies (Dy-K) resonances

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

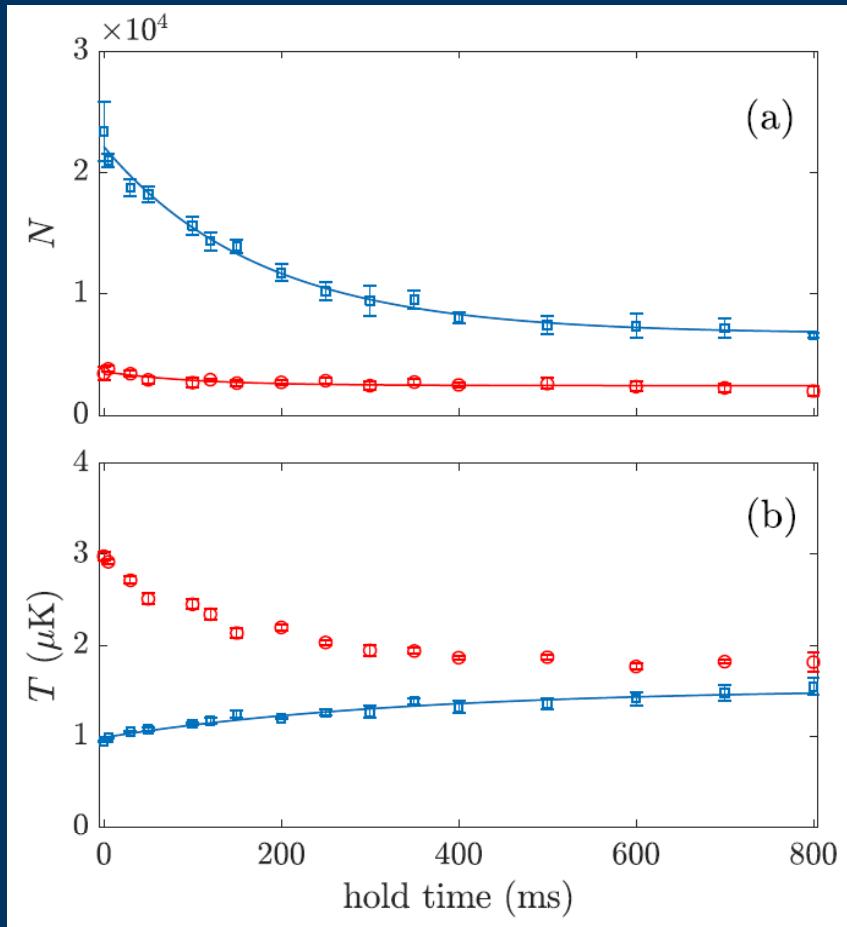
resonance poles:
fastest interspecies thermalization

background scattering length:

from interspecies thermalization
at selected values of B

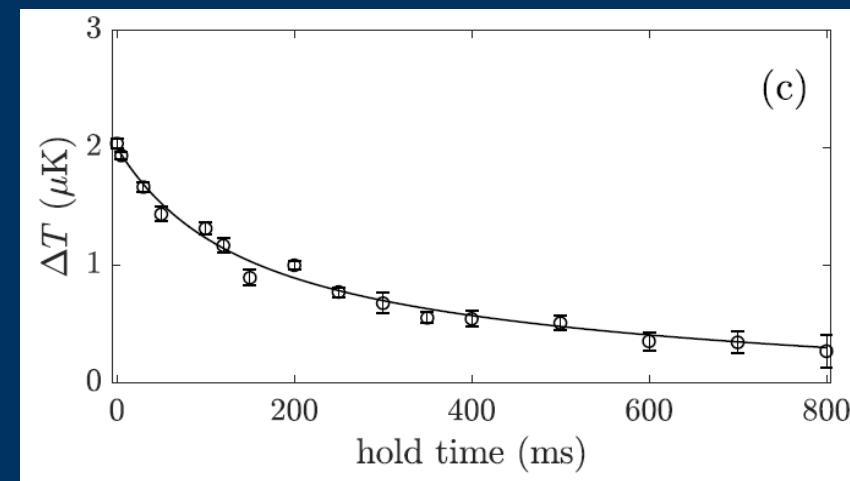
Mosk et al., Appl. Phys. B 73, 791 (2001)

interspecies thermalization

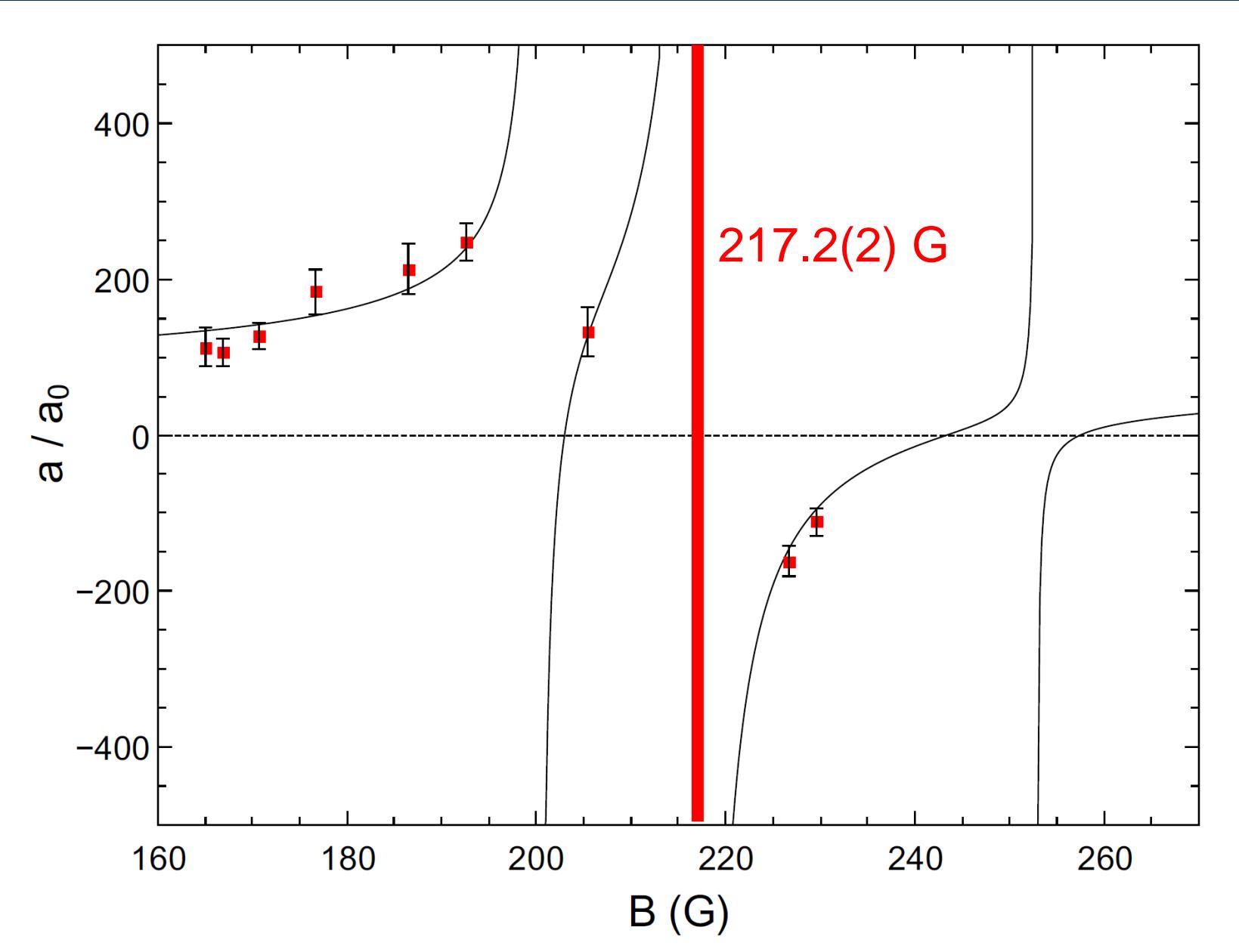


$$\frac{d}{dt} \Delta T = -\boxed{\sigma_{\text{el}}} \frac{\xi q}{3\pi^2} \frac{m_{\text{Dy}} \bar{\omega}_{\text{Dy}}^3}{k_{\text{B}} T_{\text{Dy}}} (N_{\text{Dy}} + N_{\text{K}}) \Delta T$$

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



Broad FRs in Dy-K



thermalized mixt.

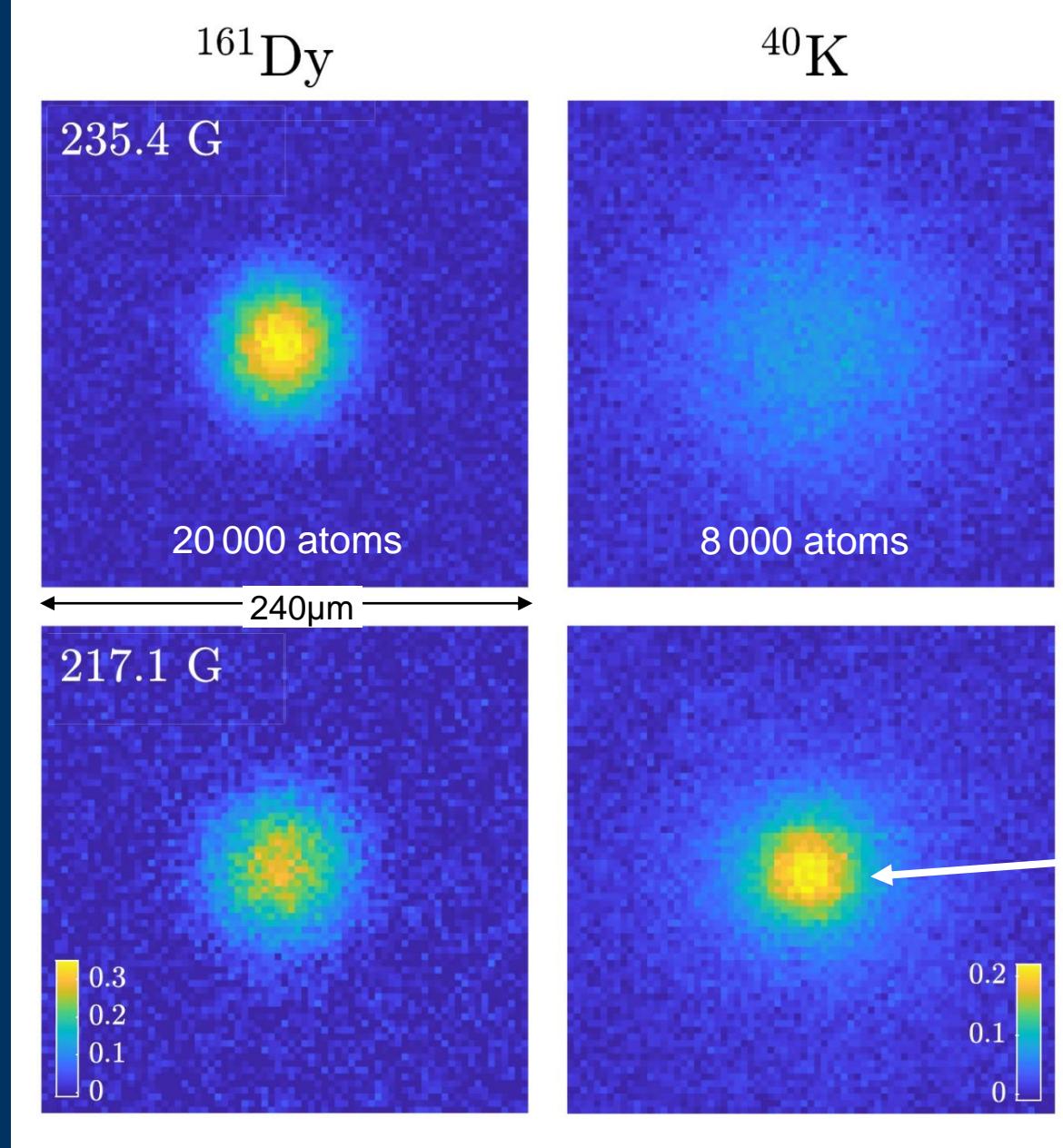
$$(T/T_F)_{Dy} = 1.7$$

$$(T/T_F)_K = 0.65$$

no interaction

resonant
interaction

time-of-flight expansion



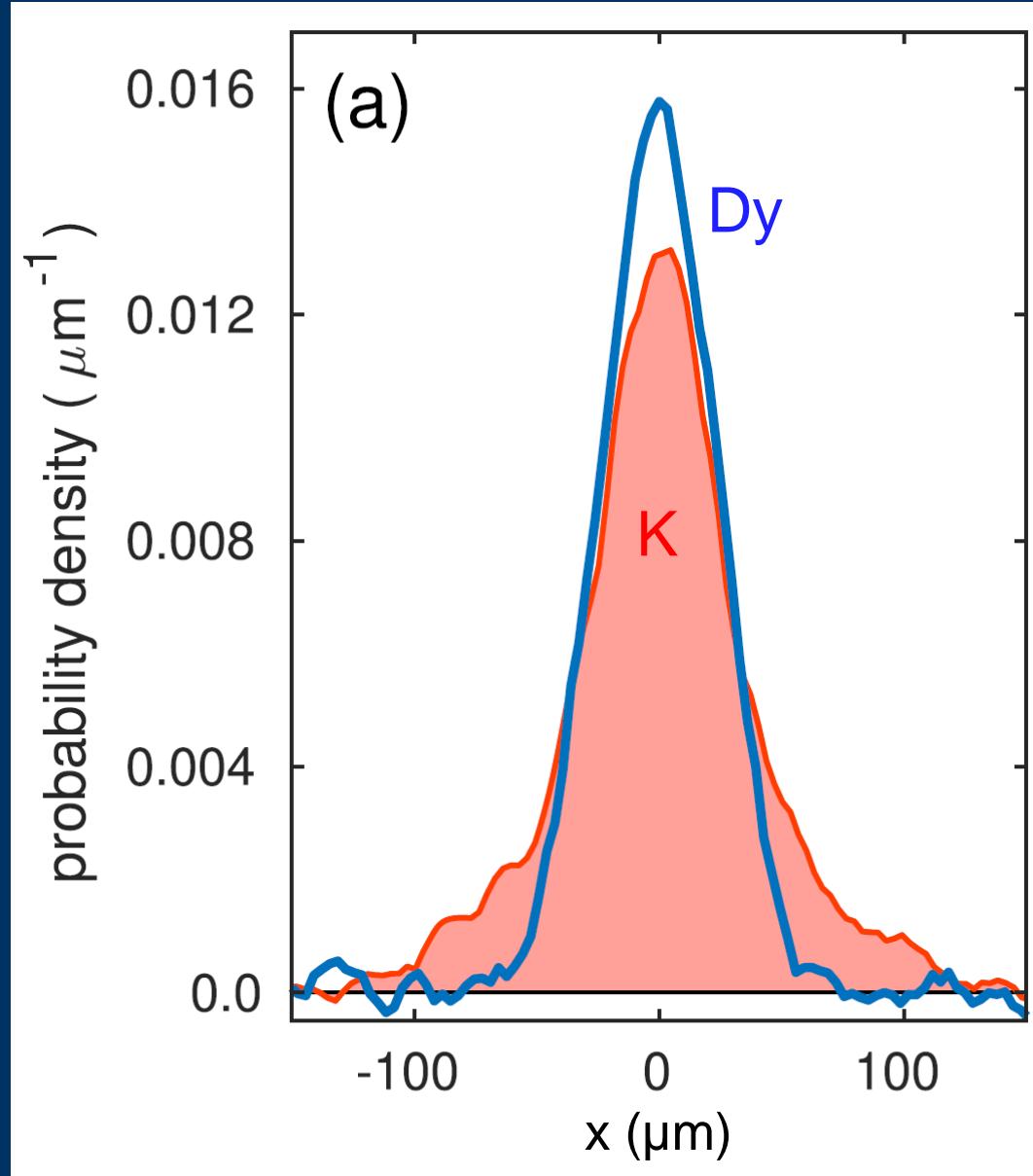
4.5 ms TOF

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

!!!

locked hydrodynamic
expansion

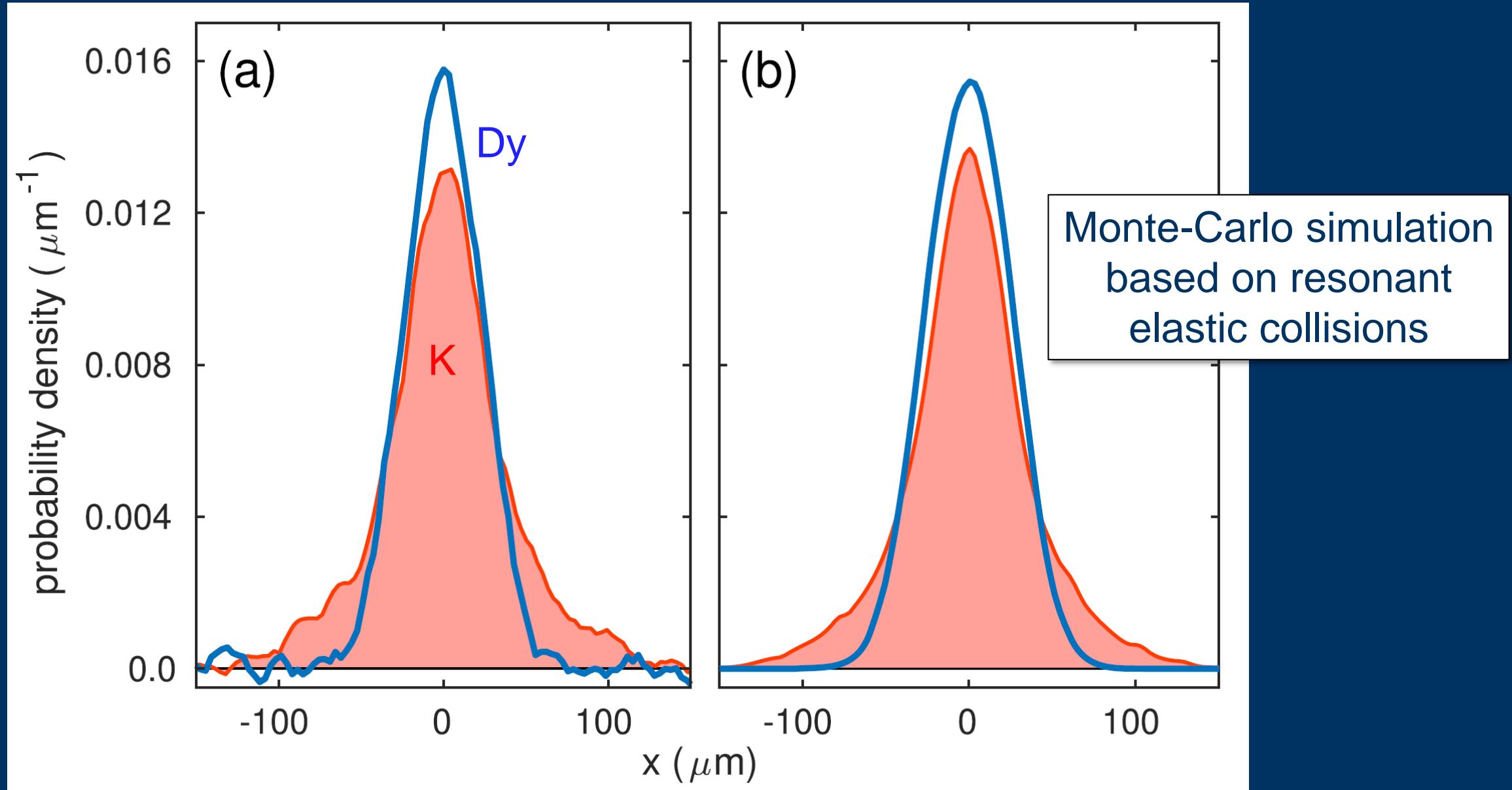
density profiles: a surprise



bimodality
in K profile?
superfluidity???

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

density profiles: a surprise



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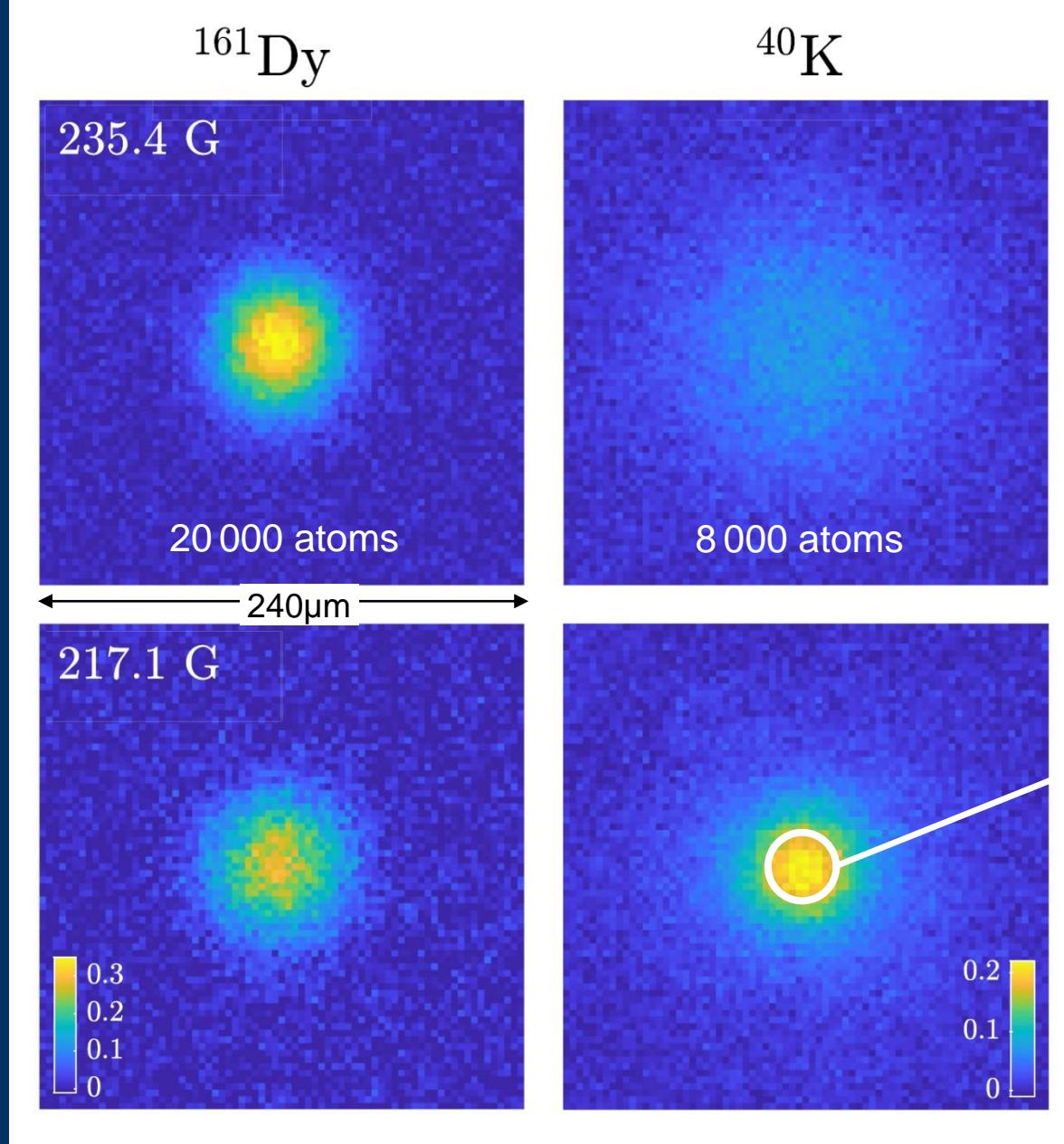
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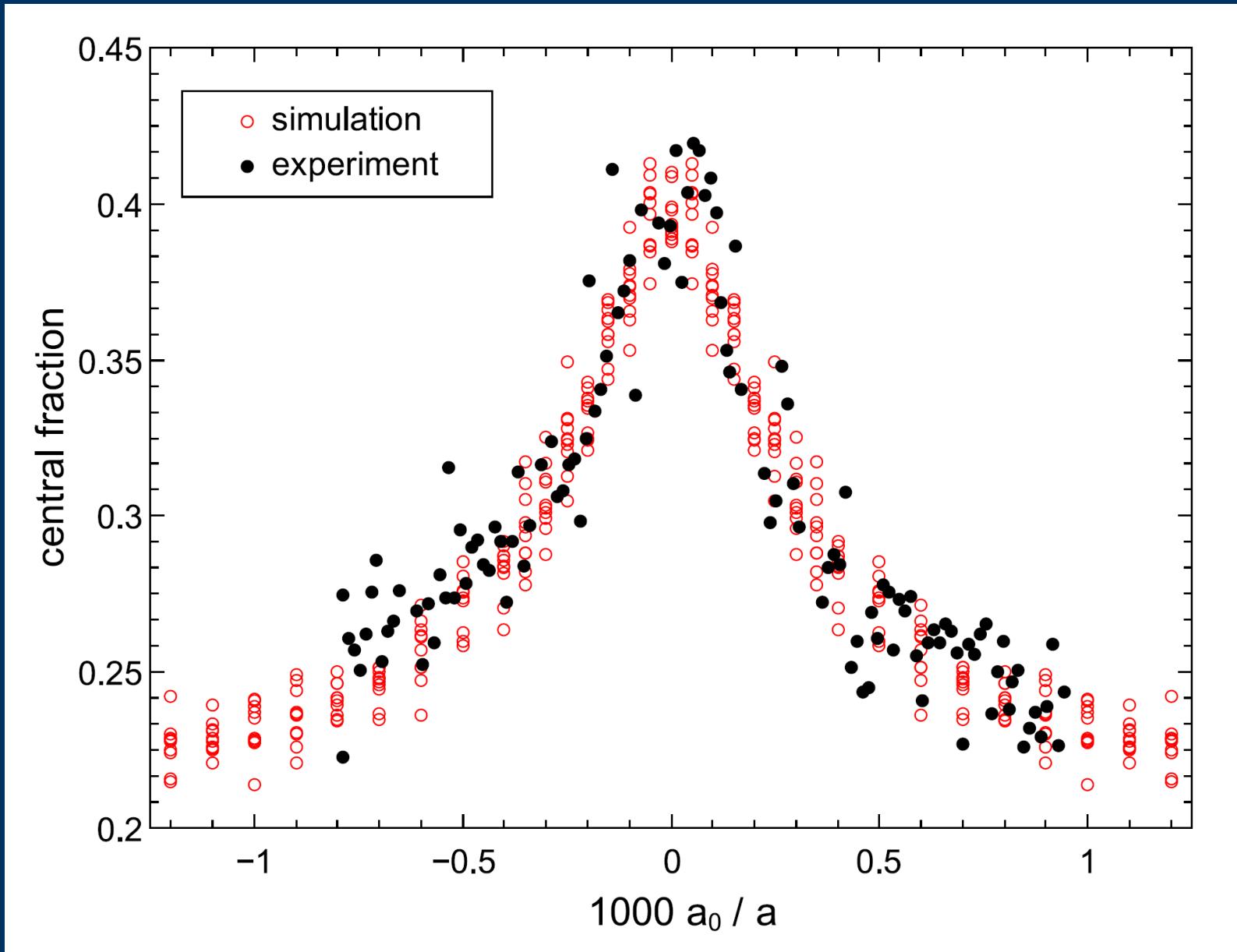
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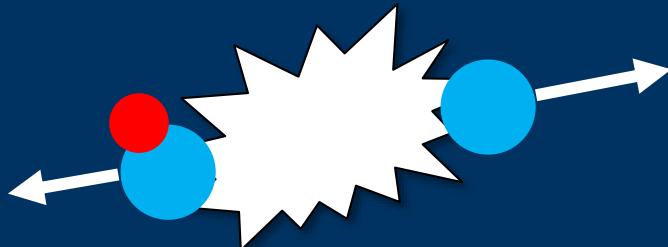
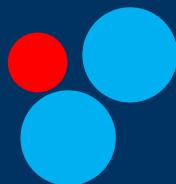
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further analysis:
fraction of atoms
in the center

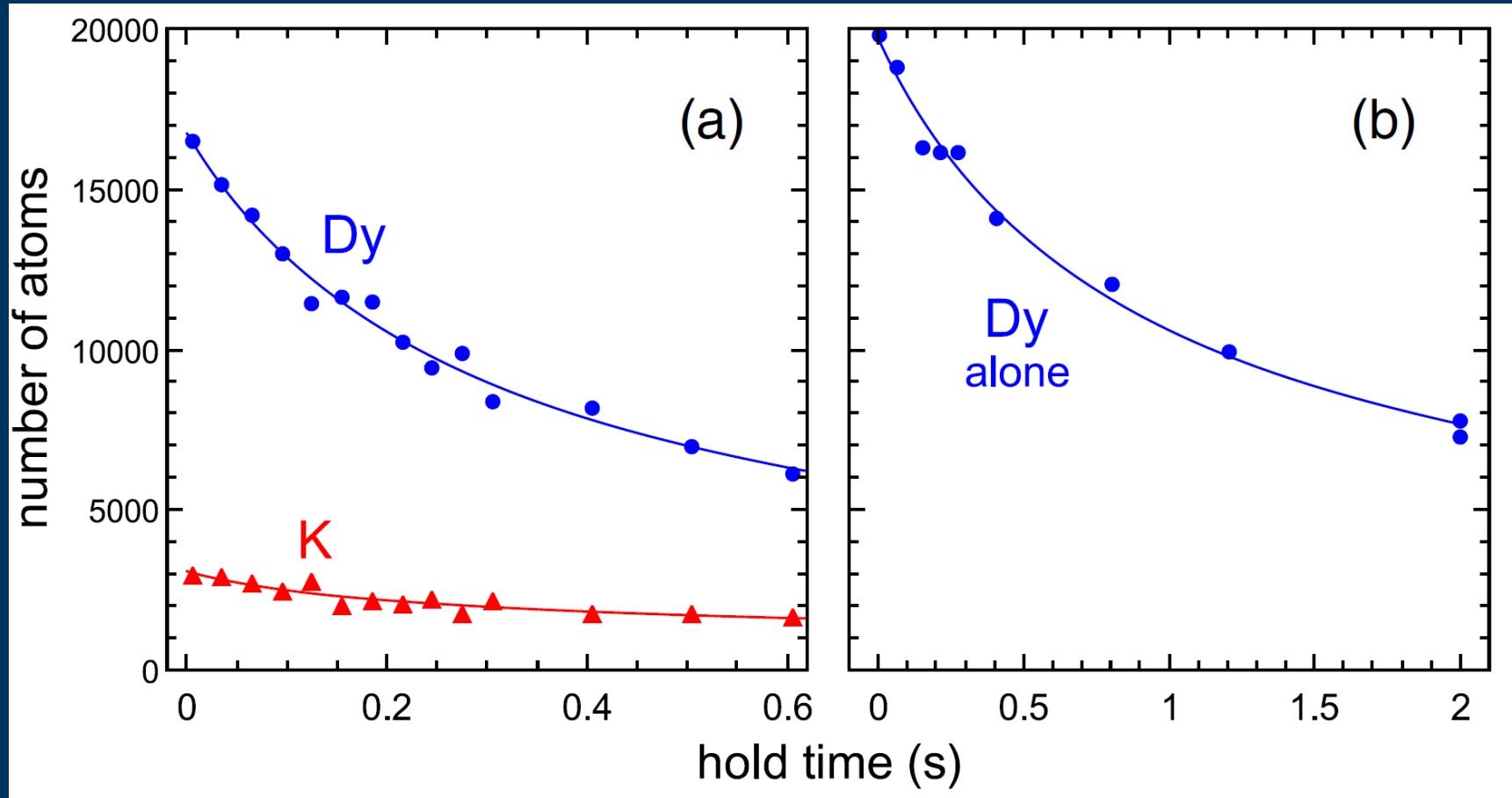
hydrodynamic expansion: central fraction of K atoms



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

three-body event rate coefficient

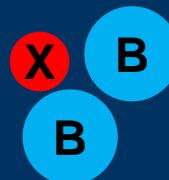
Bose-Fermi and Bose-Bose systems
(Efimov physics)

^{40}K - ^{87}Rb (JILA)

^6K - ^{41}K (Innsbruck)

^6K - ^{133}Cs (Heidelb., Chicago)

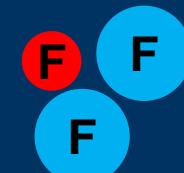
^{40}K - ^{162}Dy (Innsbruck)



^{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?



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

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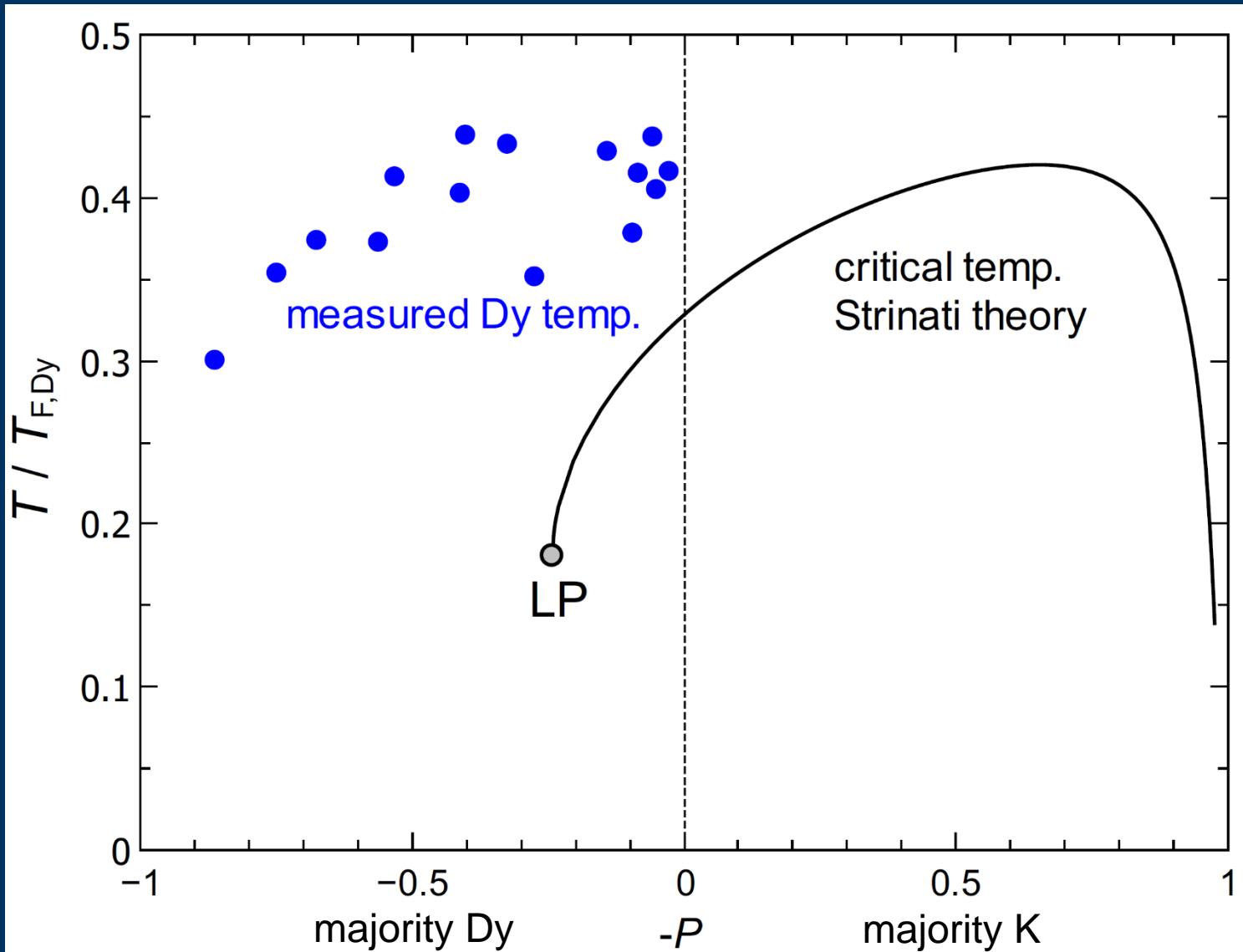
A detailed description is given of the phase diagram for a two-component unitary Fermi gas with mass and population imbalance, for both homogeneous and trapped systems. This aims at providing quantitative benchmarks for the normal-to-superfluid phase transition of a mass-imbalanced Fermi gas in the temperature-polarization 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)



$$P \equiv \frac{N_{\text{Dy}} - N_{\text{K}}}{N_{\text{Dy}} + N_{\text{K}}}$$

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!

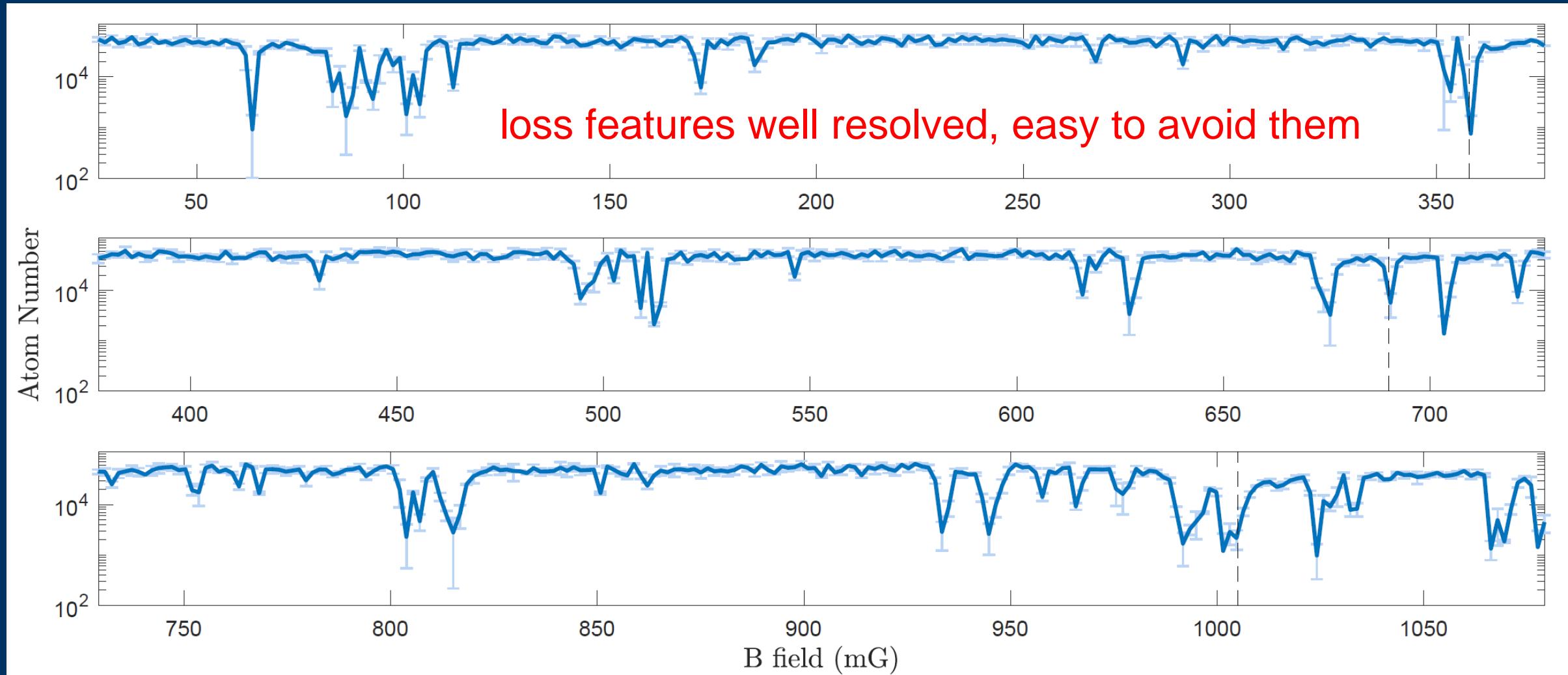
but...

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

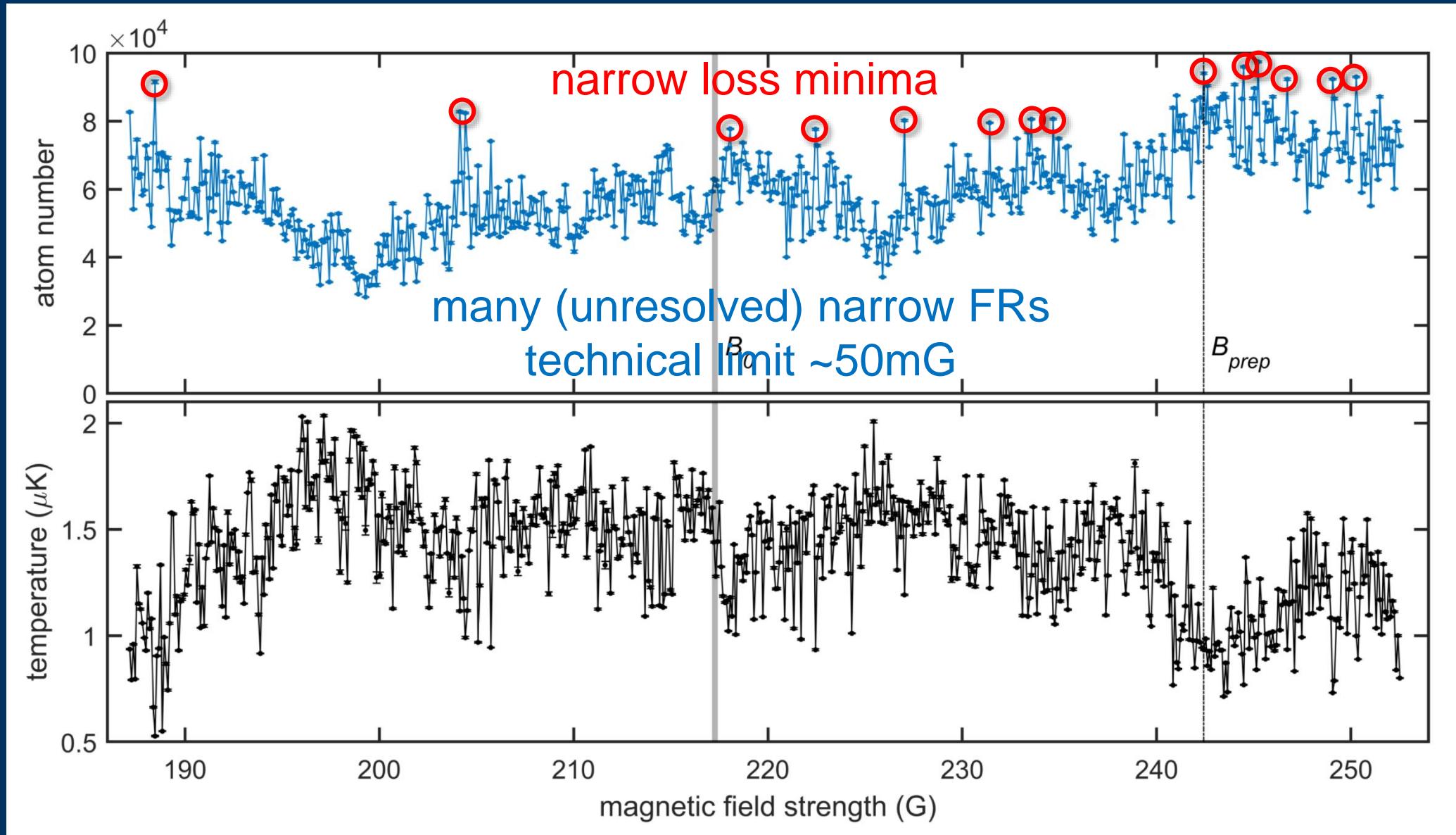
narrow Dy FRs resolved at low field

full range ~1G



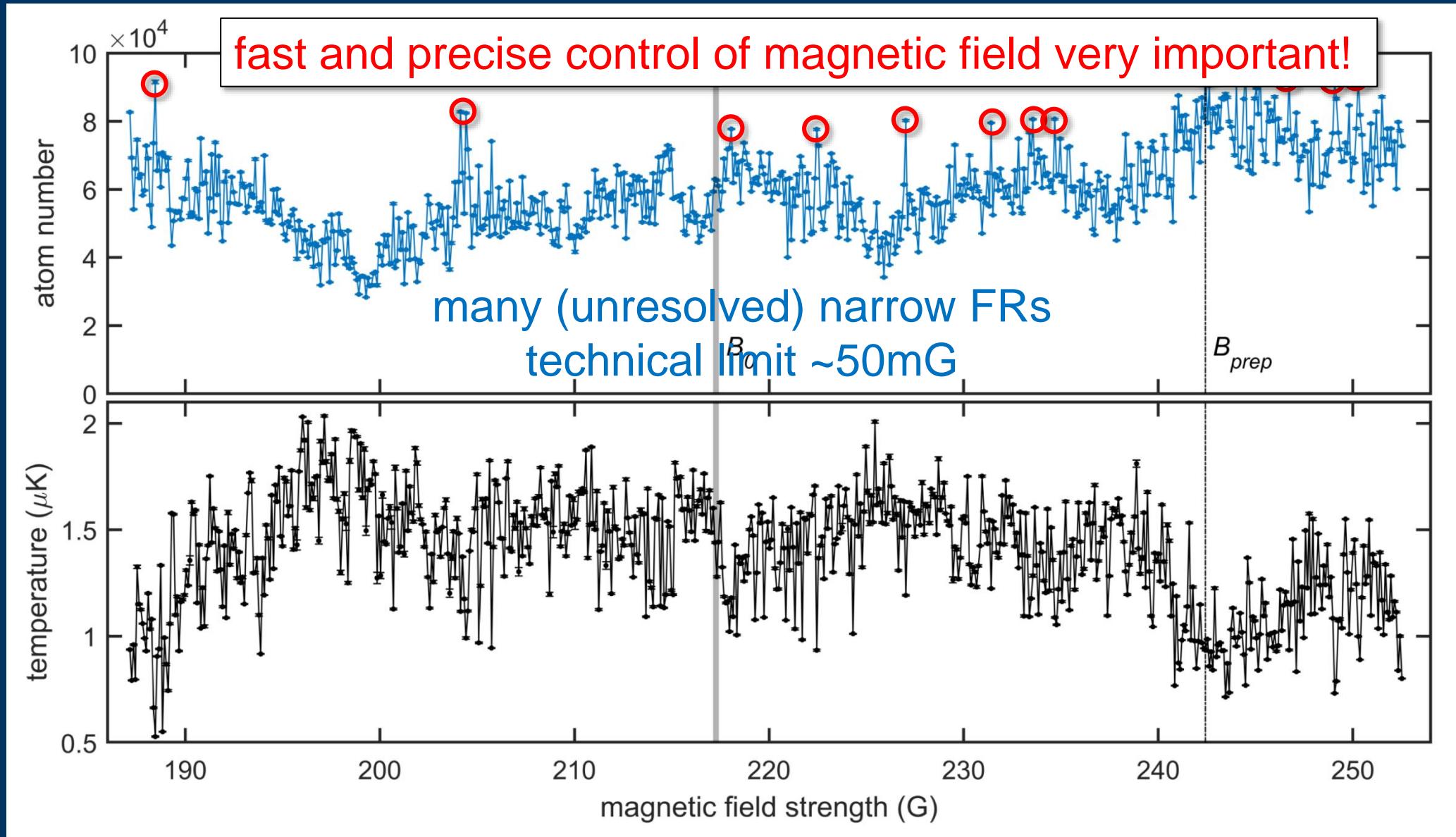
Dy background losses

hold time 600ms

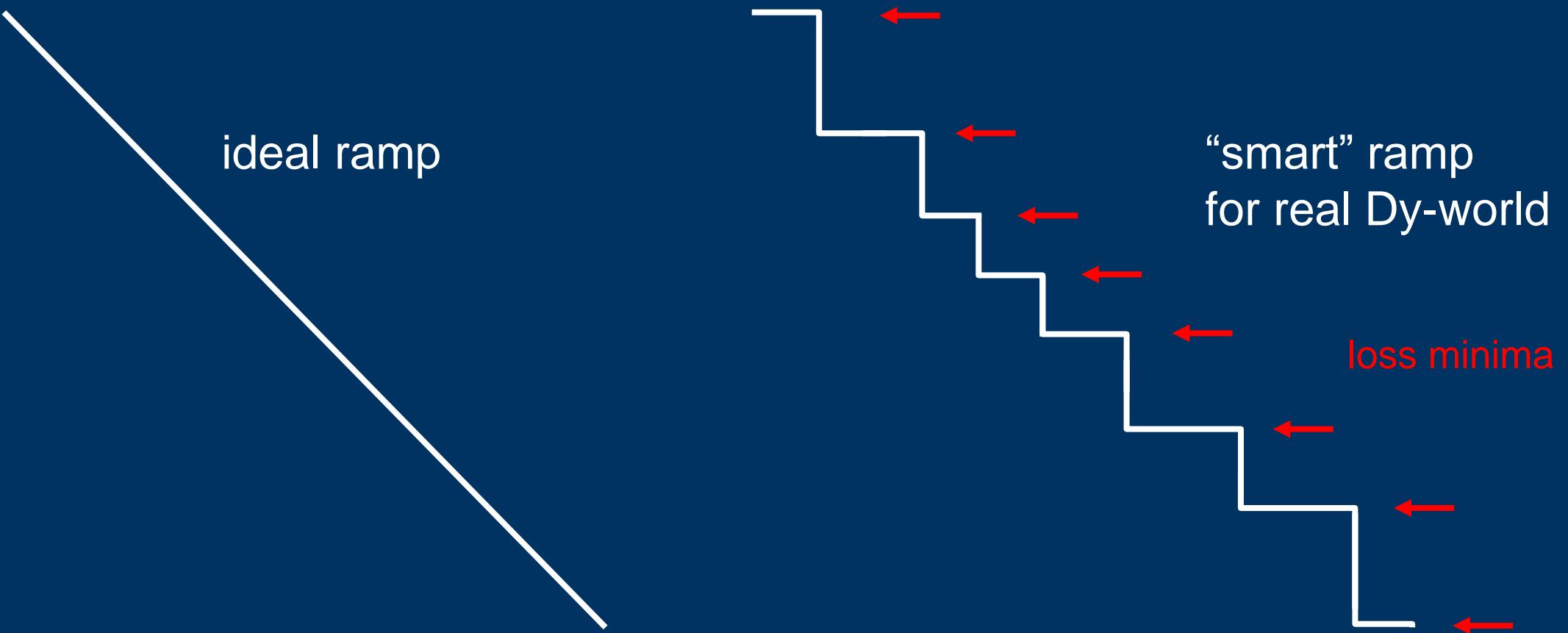


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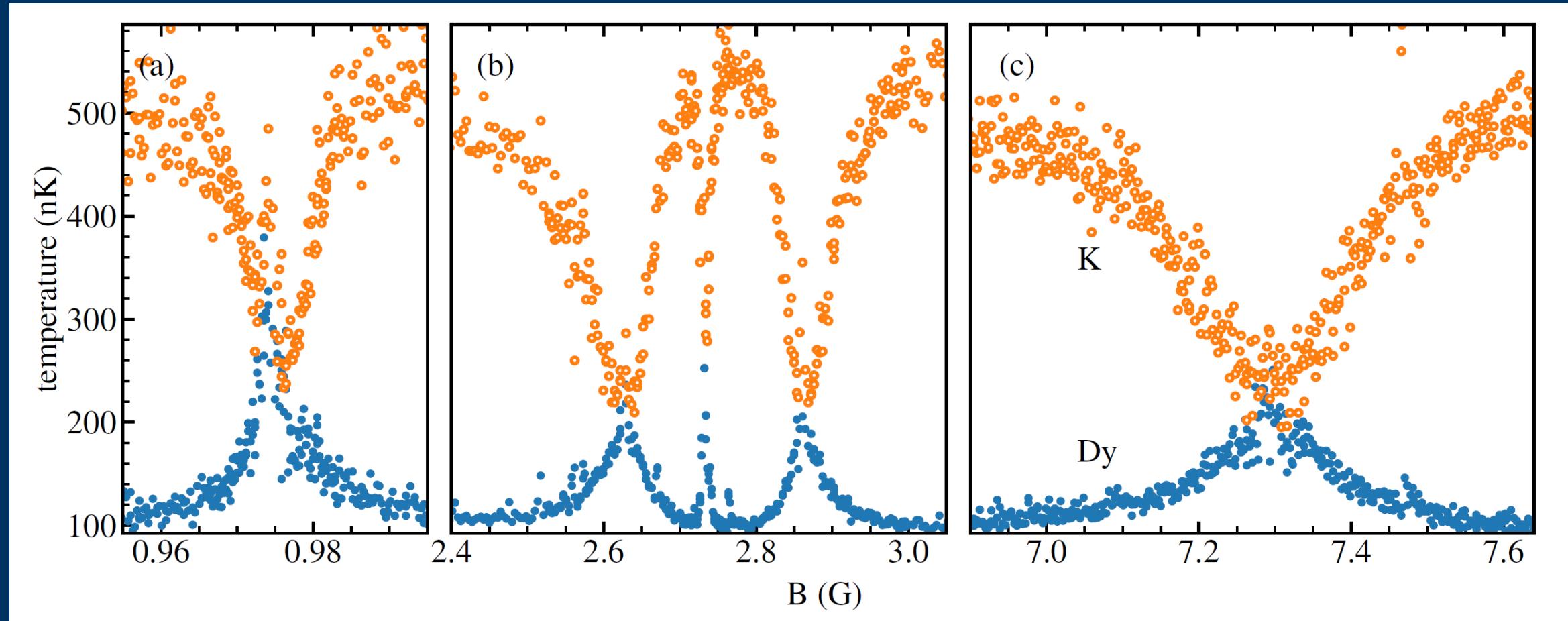


B-field ramping



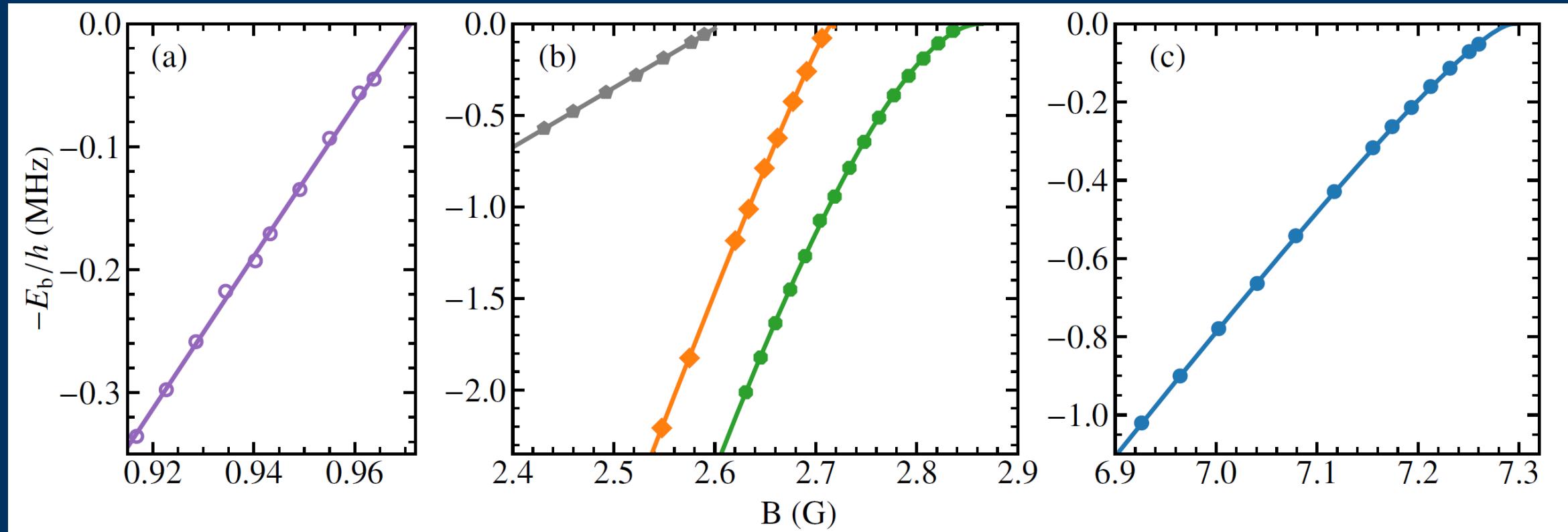
surprise: FRs below 10G

interspecies thermalization



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binding energy measurements
by wiggle spectroscopy

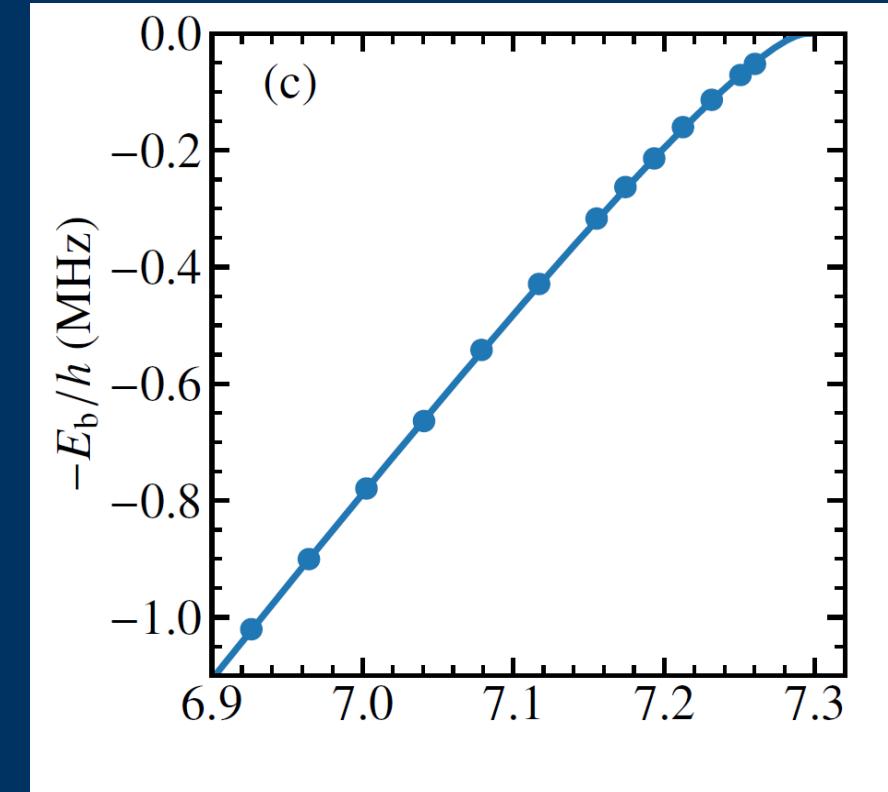


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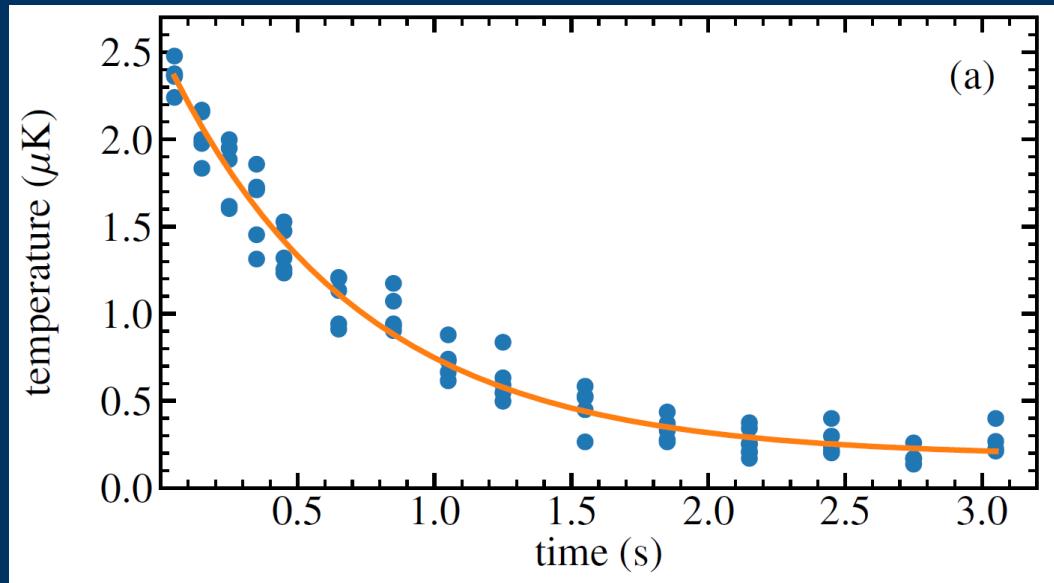
$$E_b = \frac{\hbar^2}{8(R^*)^2 m_r} \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{4R^*(B - B_0)}{a_0 A}} - 1 \right)^2$$

Petrov, PRL 93, 143201 (2004)

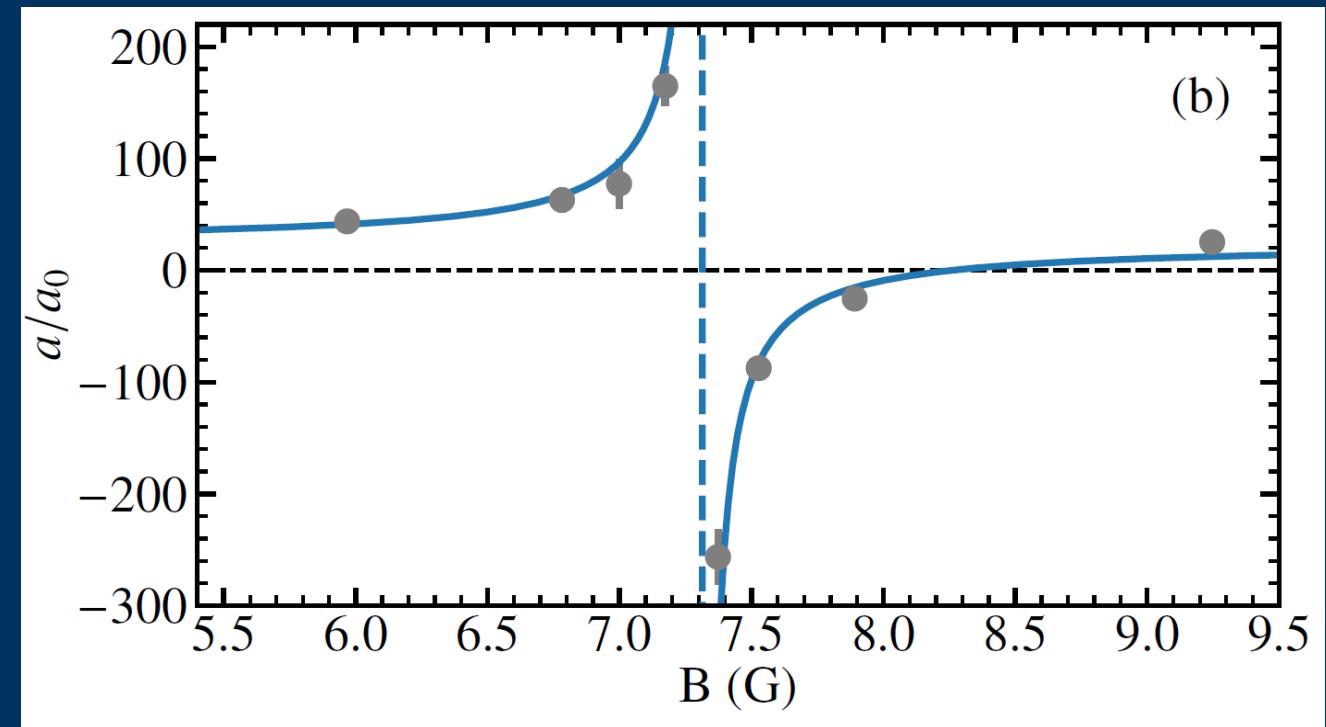


well-isolated FR near 7G

binding energy (B wiggle)



scatt. length (thermal. meas.)



properties of 7G resonance

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

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.

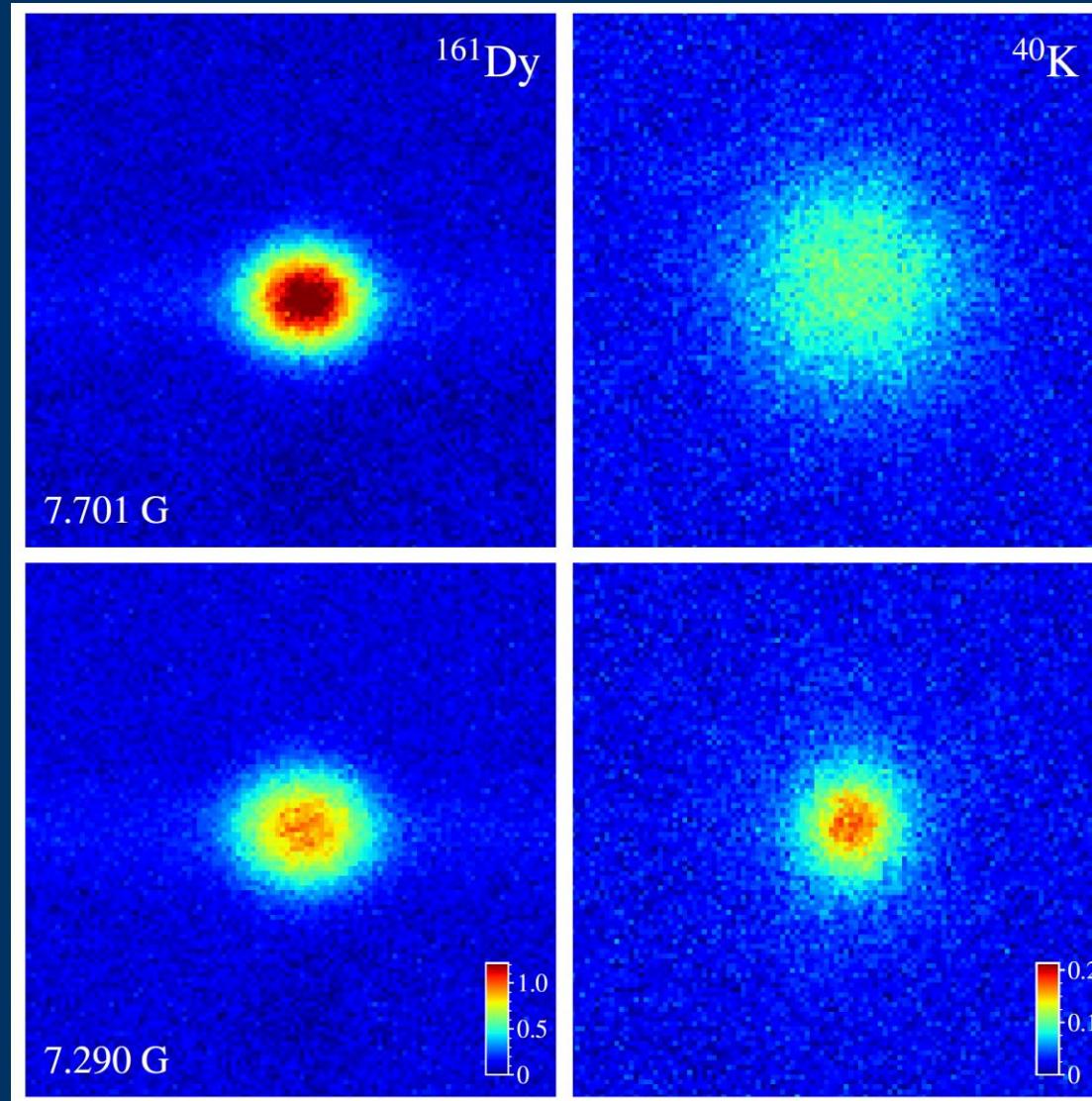
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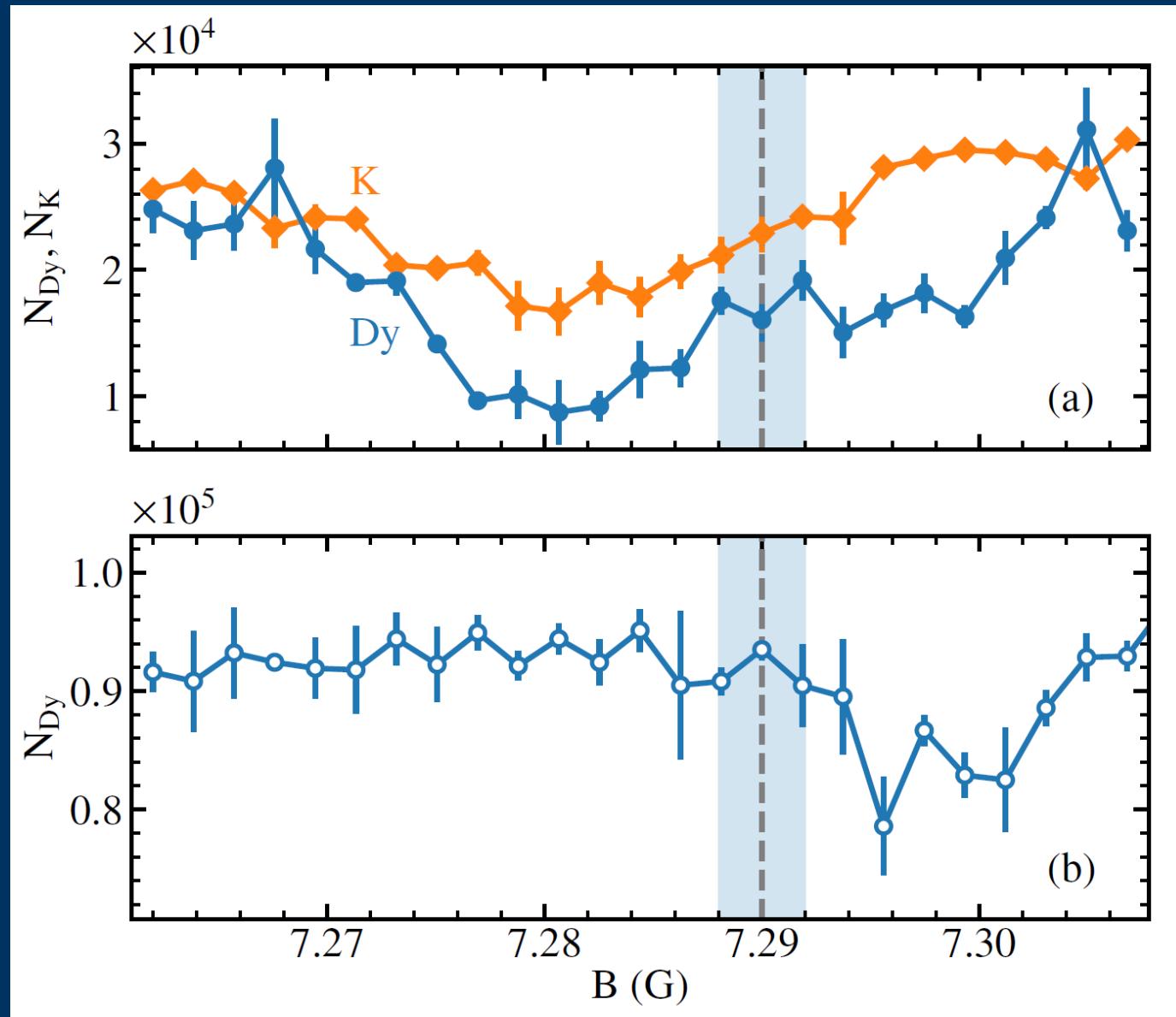
hydrodynamic expansion on 7.3G resonance

$a \approx -40 a_0$

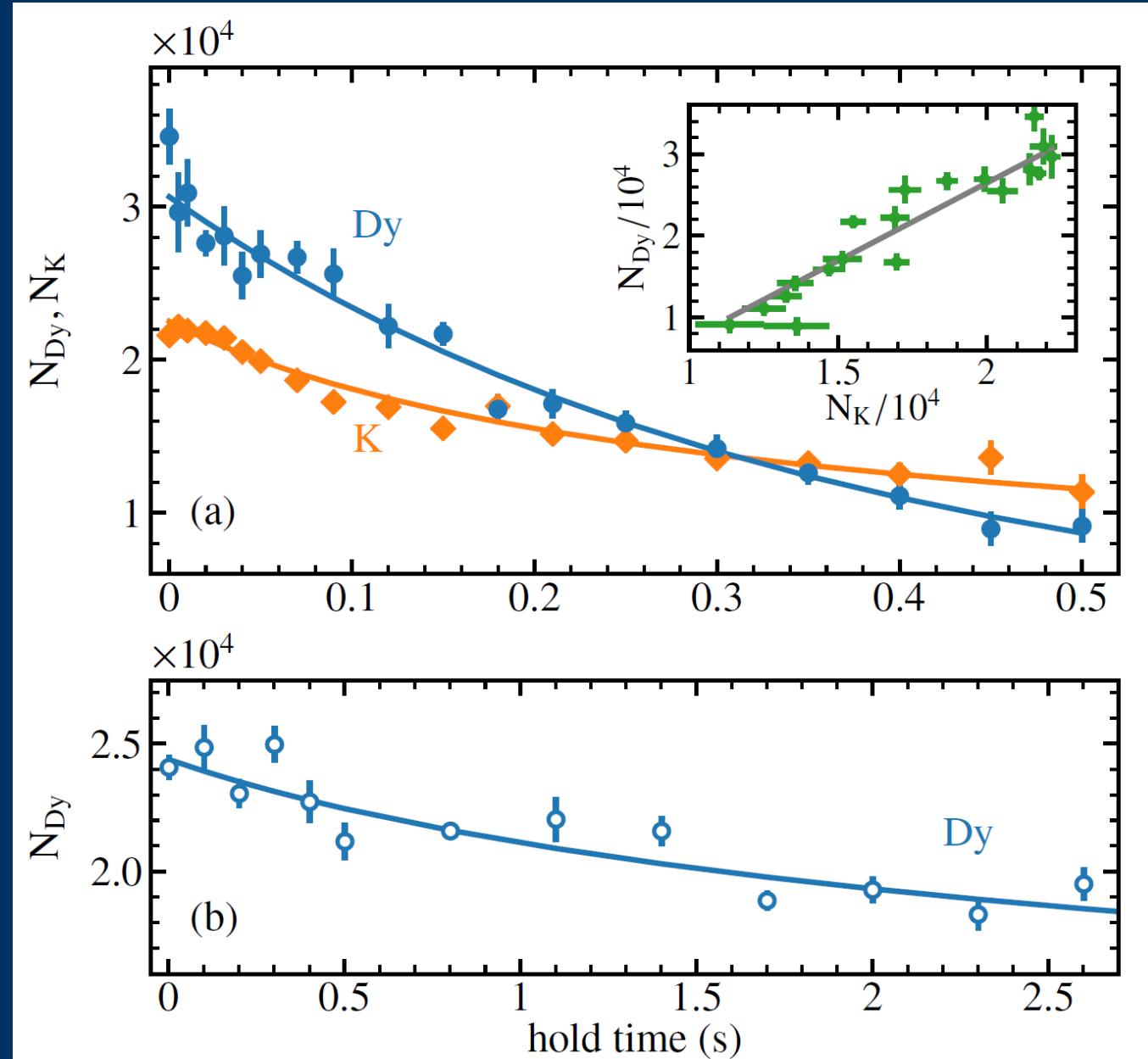
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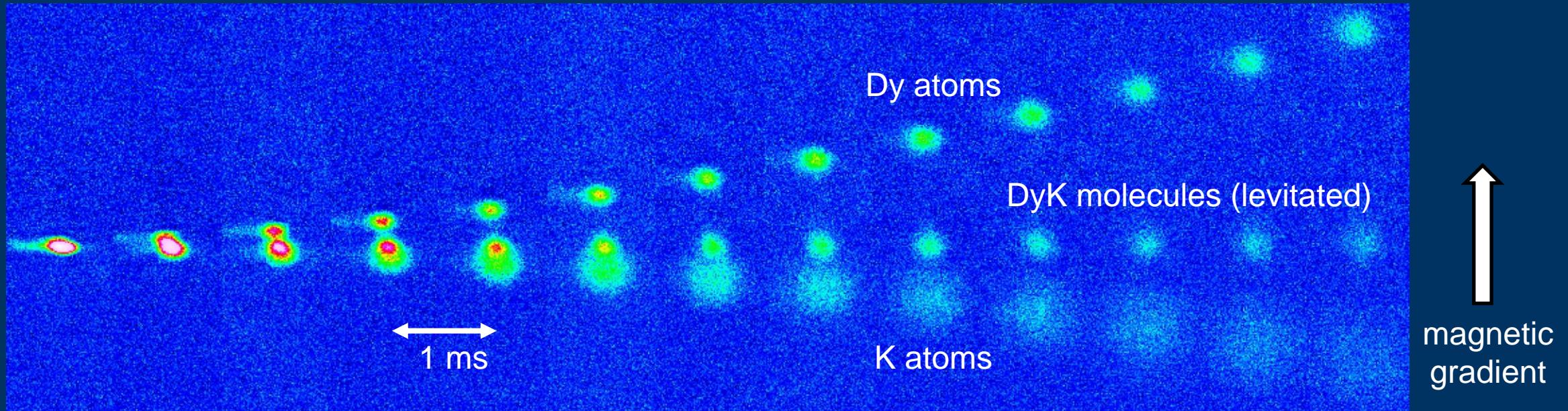
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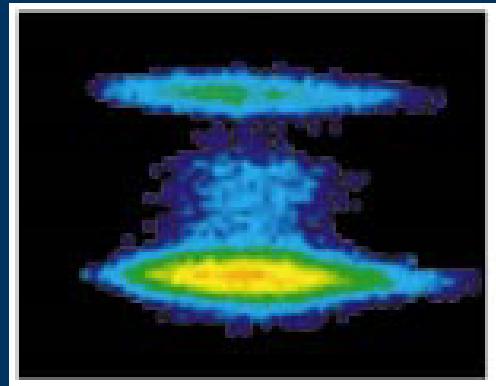
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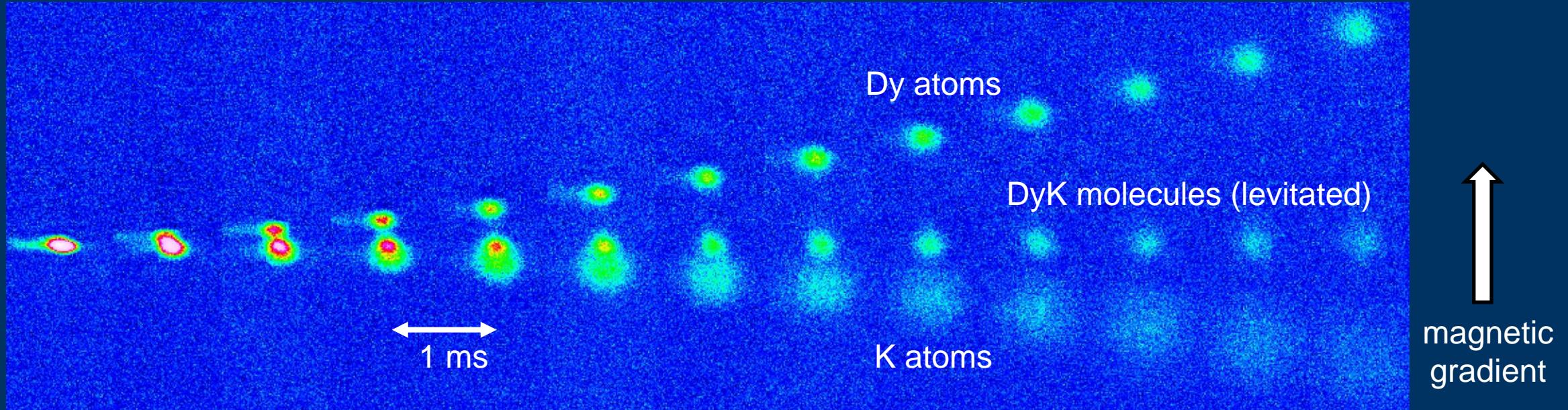
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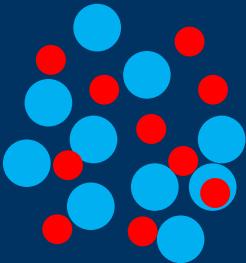


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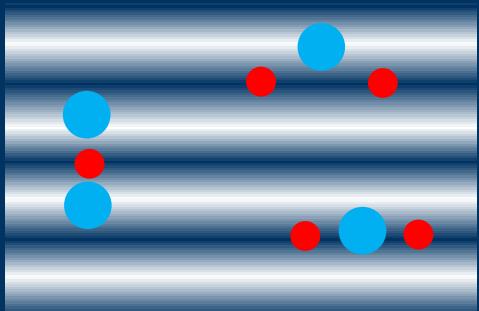


let's go for the next step:
BEC of heteronuclear Feshbach molecules

great potential in few- and many-body physics



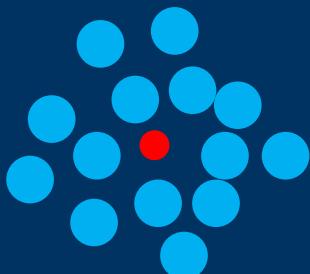
novel superfluids with
both mass- and population imbalance



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

Nishida and Tan, PRL 101, 170401 (2008)

Levinsen 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

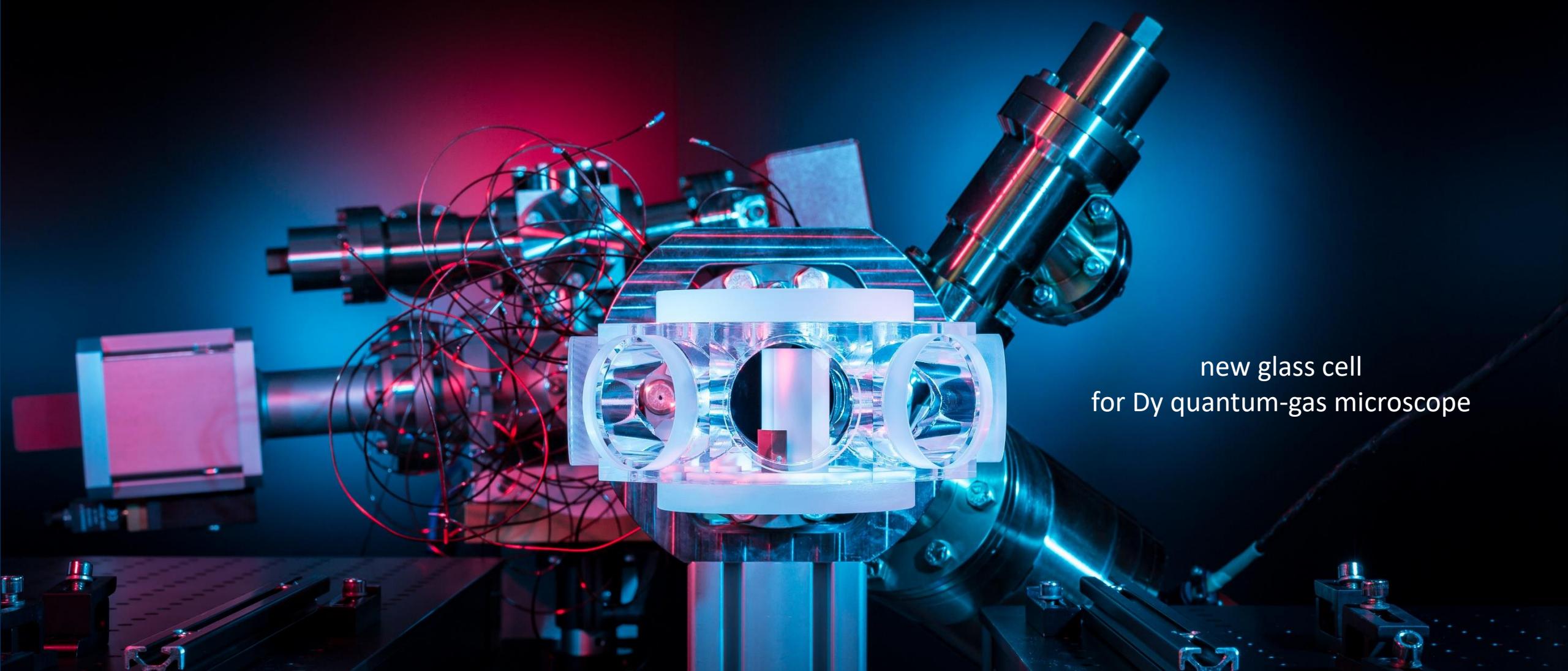
many opportunities and challenges
for experiment and theory



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A photograph of a sophisticated scientific experiment setup. In the center is a clear glass cylindrical cell, which appears to be a vacuum chamber or a sample holder. The letters 'DyCo' are visible through the glass walls of this central component. The entire setup is mounted on a dark, metallic base with various adjustment screws and a laser alignment system. Red and blue light reflections are visible on the metallic surfaces and the glass, creating a high-contrast, futuristic look.

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