



# Neutron Scattering: The Spin Revolution

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# The Spin Revolution

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- 1969 - Moon, Riste & Koehler
- 1972 - Mezei
- 1973 - Alperin demo
- 1989 - Cryopad on IN20

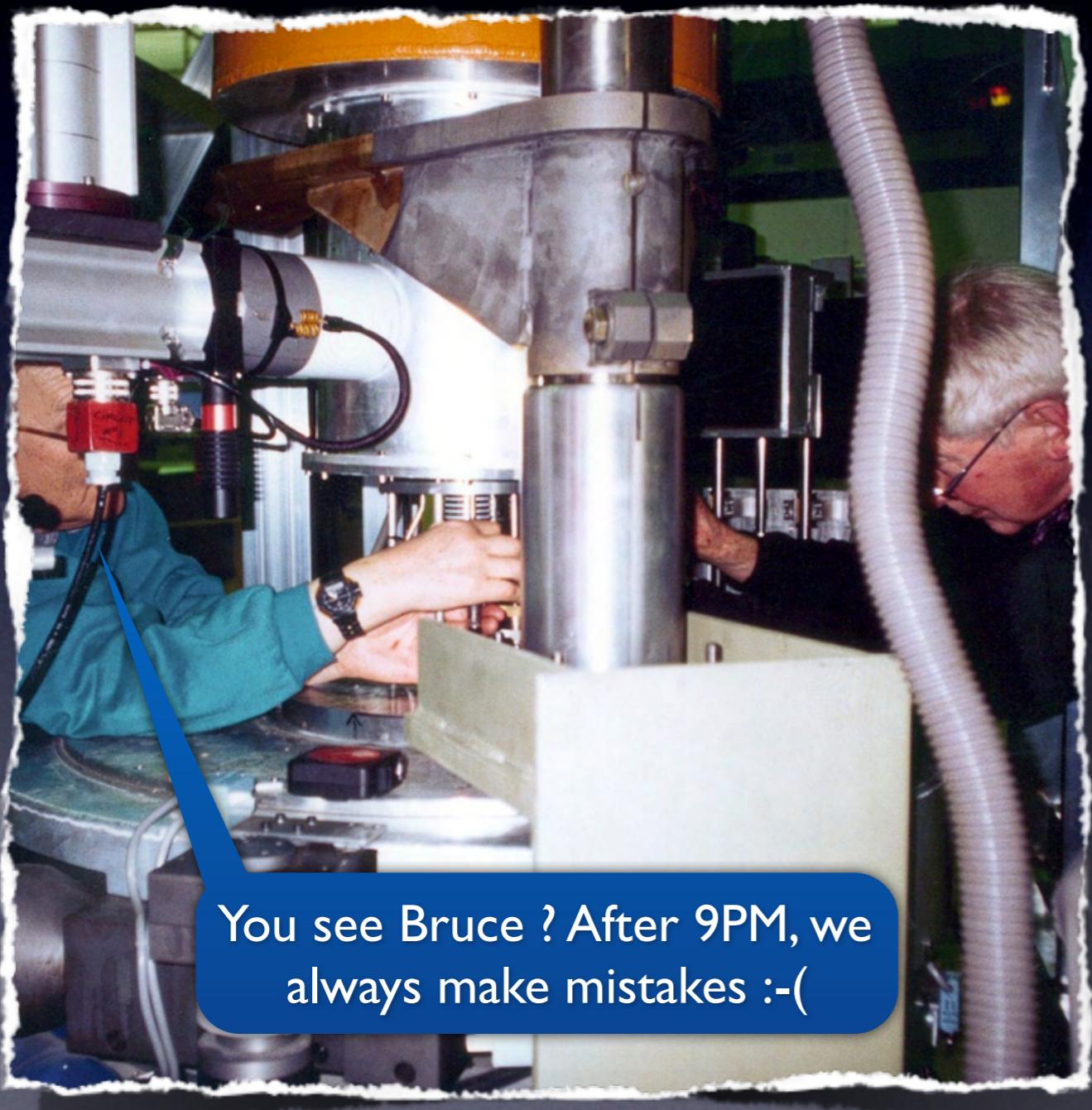
# Spherical Polarimetry

I love this job. Have you seen  
the Lady working with us ?



- 1989 - Cryopad

# Spherical Polarimetry



You see Bruce ? After 9PM, we  
always make mistakes :-(

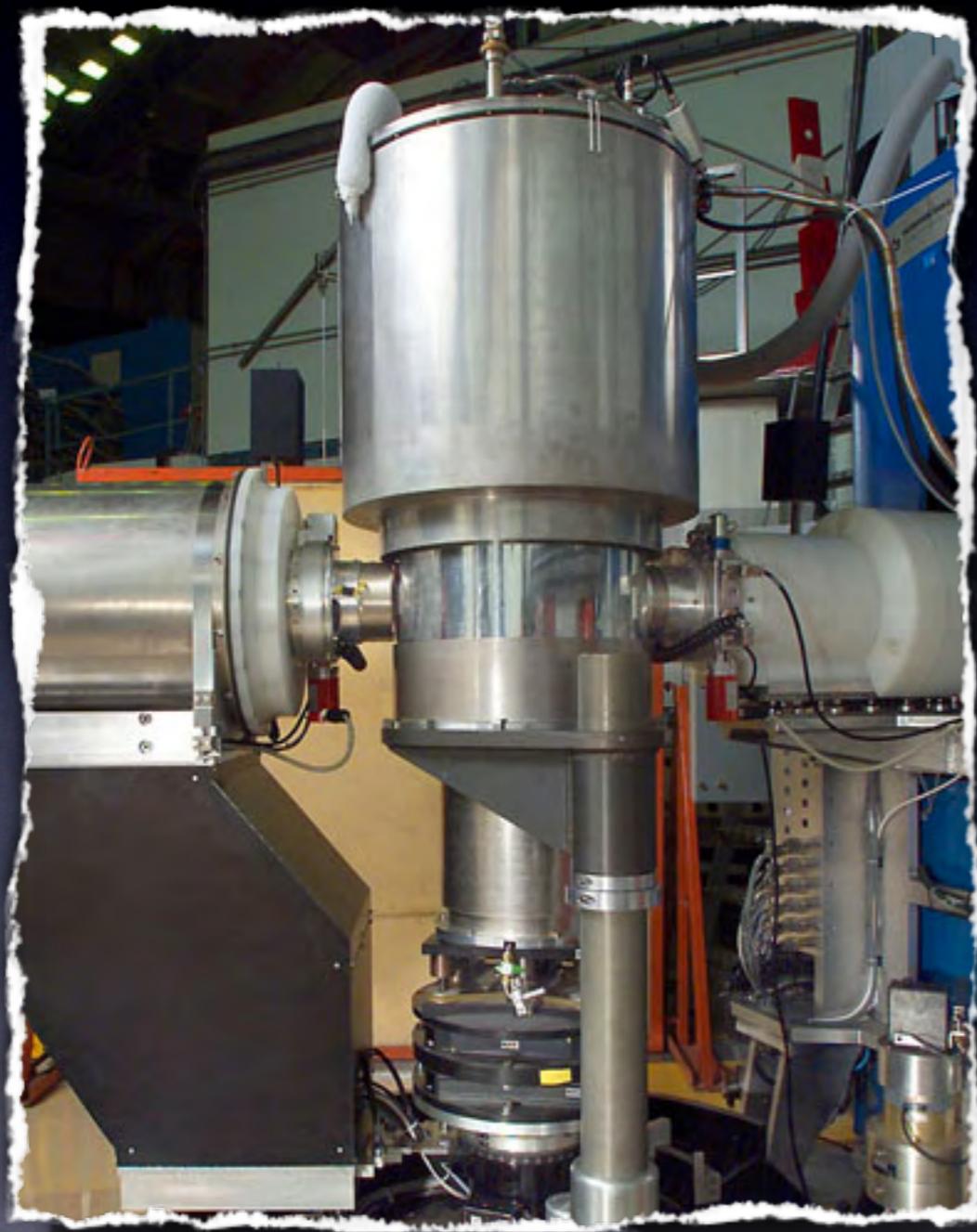
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Where does this depolarisation come from ?



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$$nEDM \approx 2.5 \cdot 10^{-24} \text{ e.cm}$$

# Spherical Polarimetry



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- PFI, SPAN, IN15

2.5  $10^{-24}$  e.cm - Great !  
A Cryopad for reaching  $10^{-26}$  e.cm ?

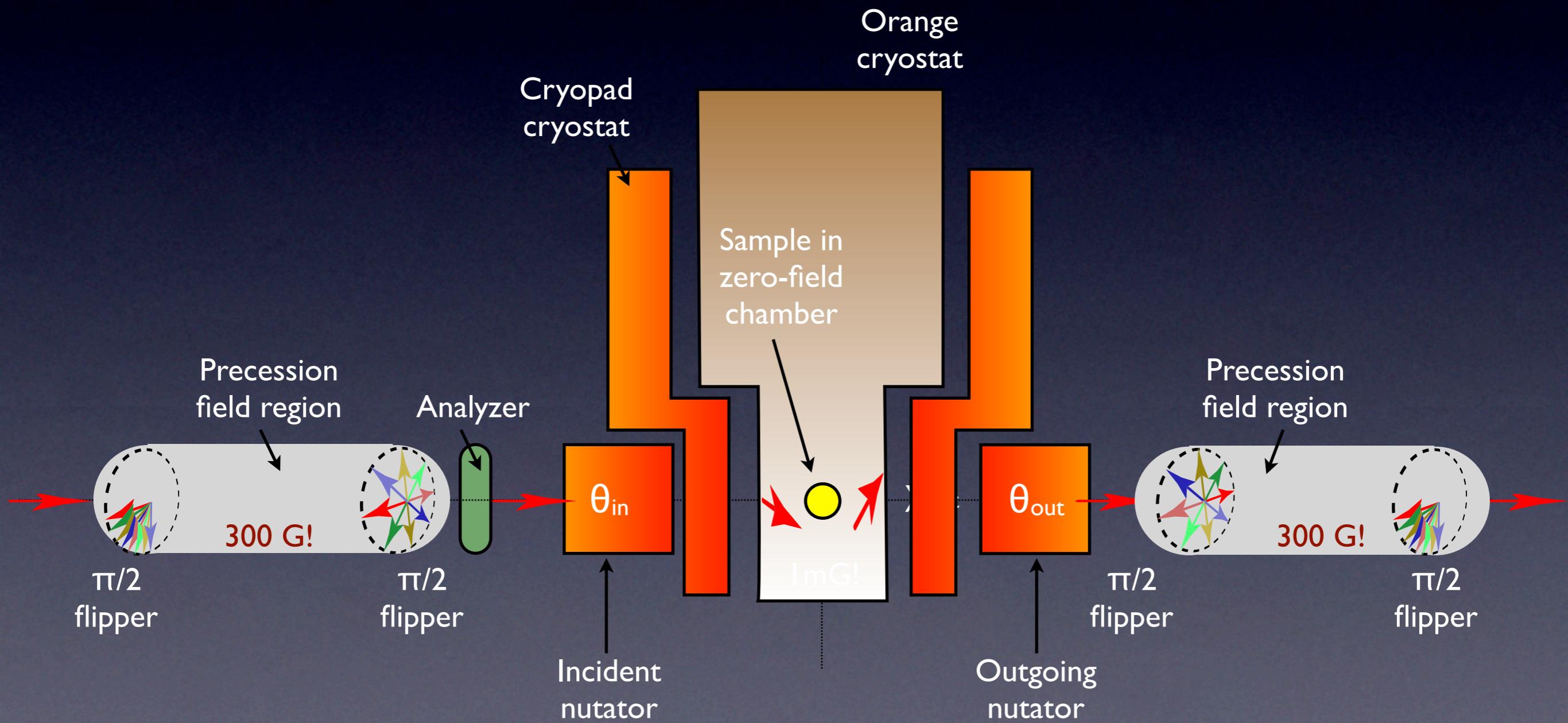
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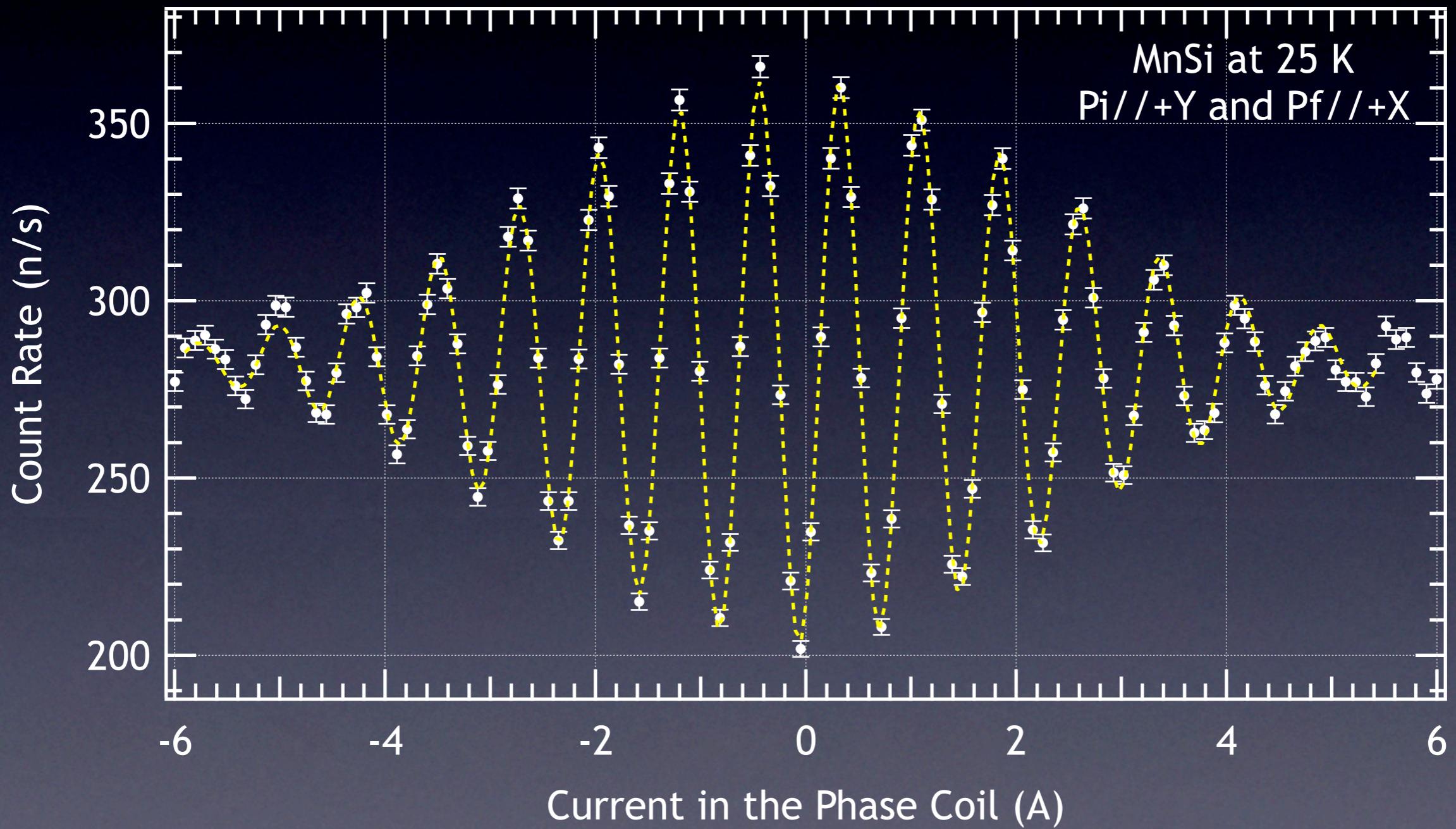
Francis, I also want  
a Cryopad.

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- 2004 - Cryopad-III
- D3, IN22, TAS-I
- PF1, SPAN, INI5

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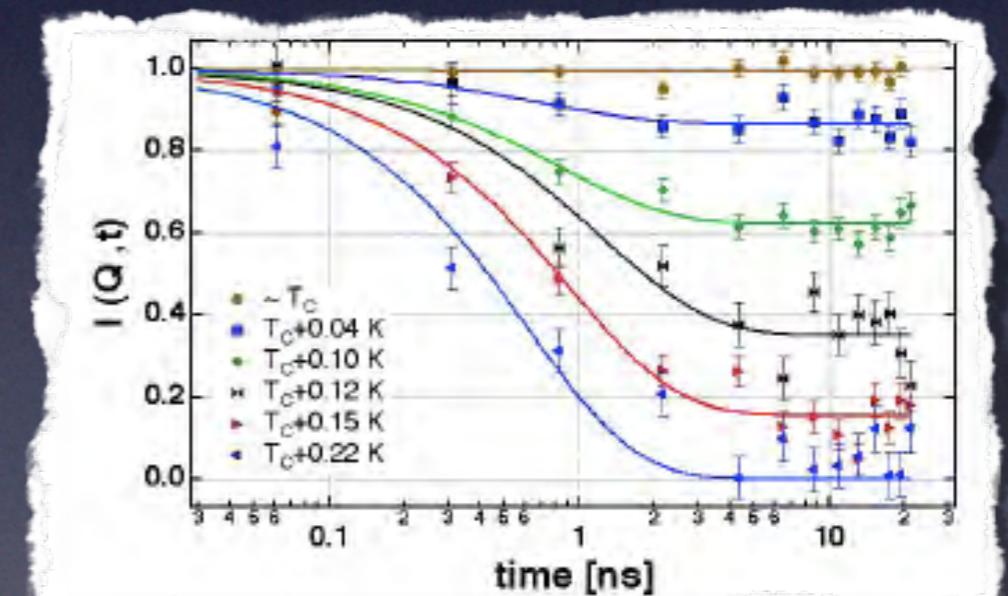
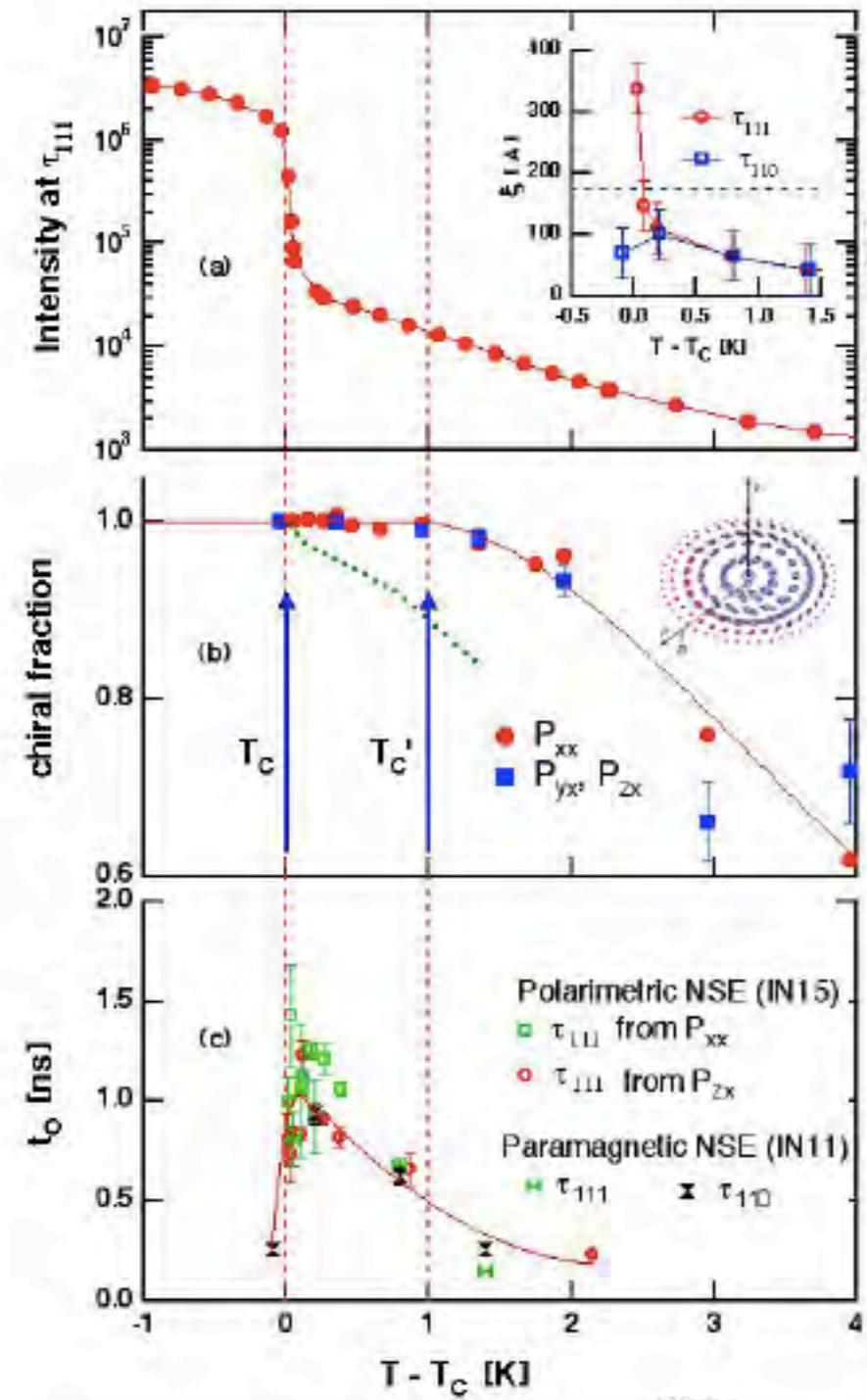


Spin-echo group recorded on  
the helimagnetic peak of MnSi with perpendicular  
incident and scattered polarisation vectors

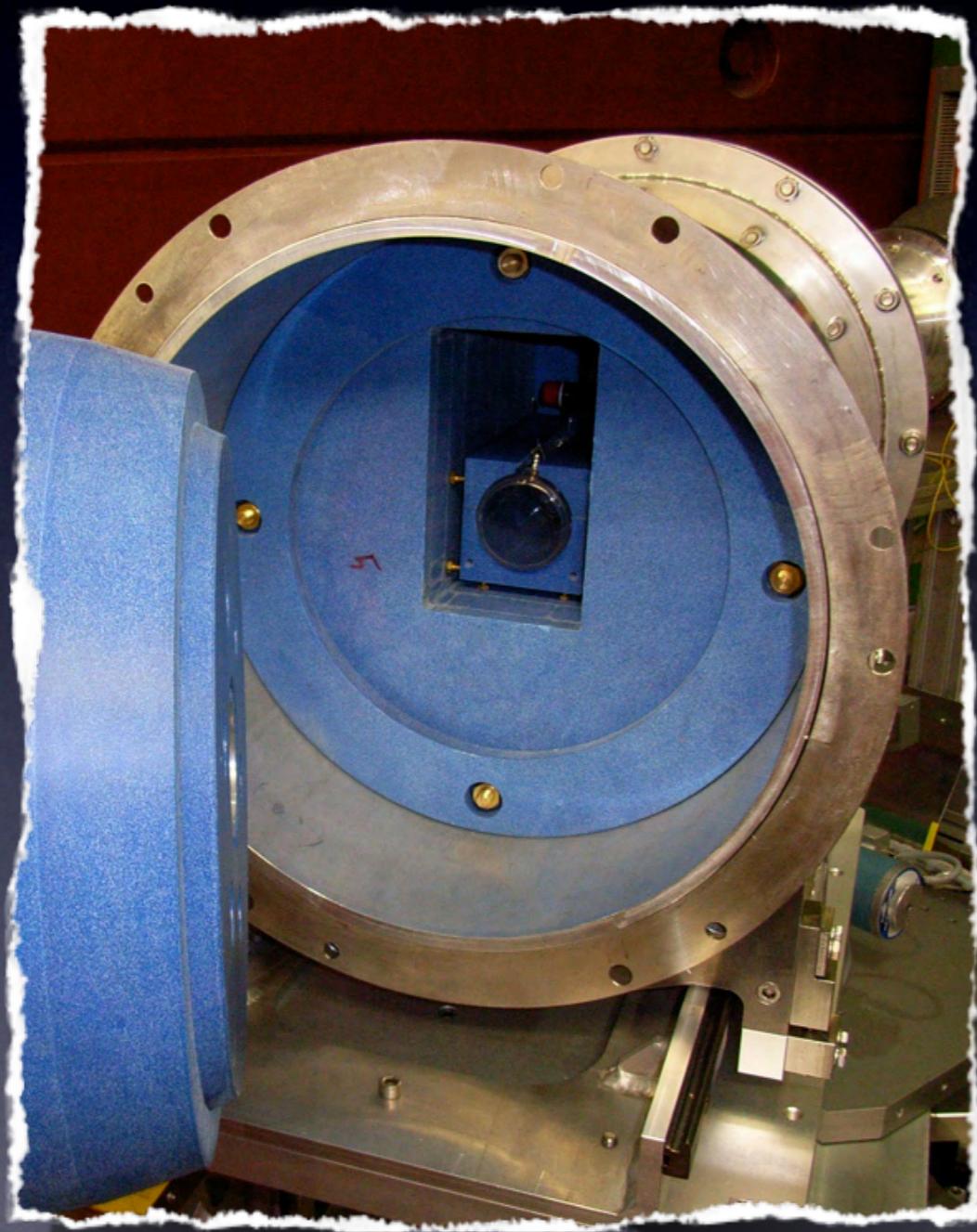


# Chiral Paramagnetic Skyrmion-like phase in MnSi

between  $T_c$  and  $T_c + 1\text{ K}$



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- Who's next ?  
HeiDi, HCB...

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# The Spin Revolution

*Dear Francis,*

*...it was not possible to do experiments in  
which the full vector character of that  
polarization was measurable.*

*... but your zero-field polarimeter  
changed all that.*

*Martin Blume*

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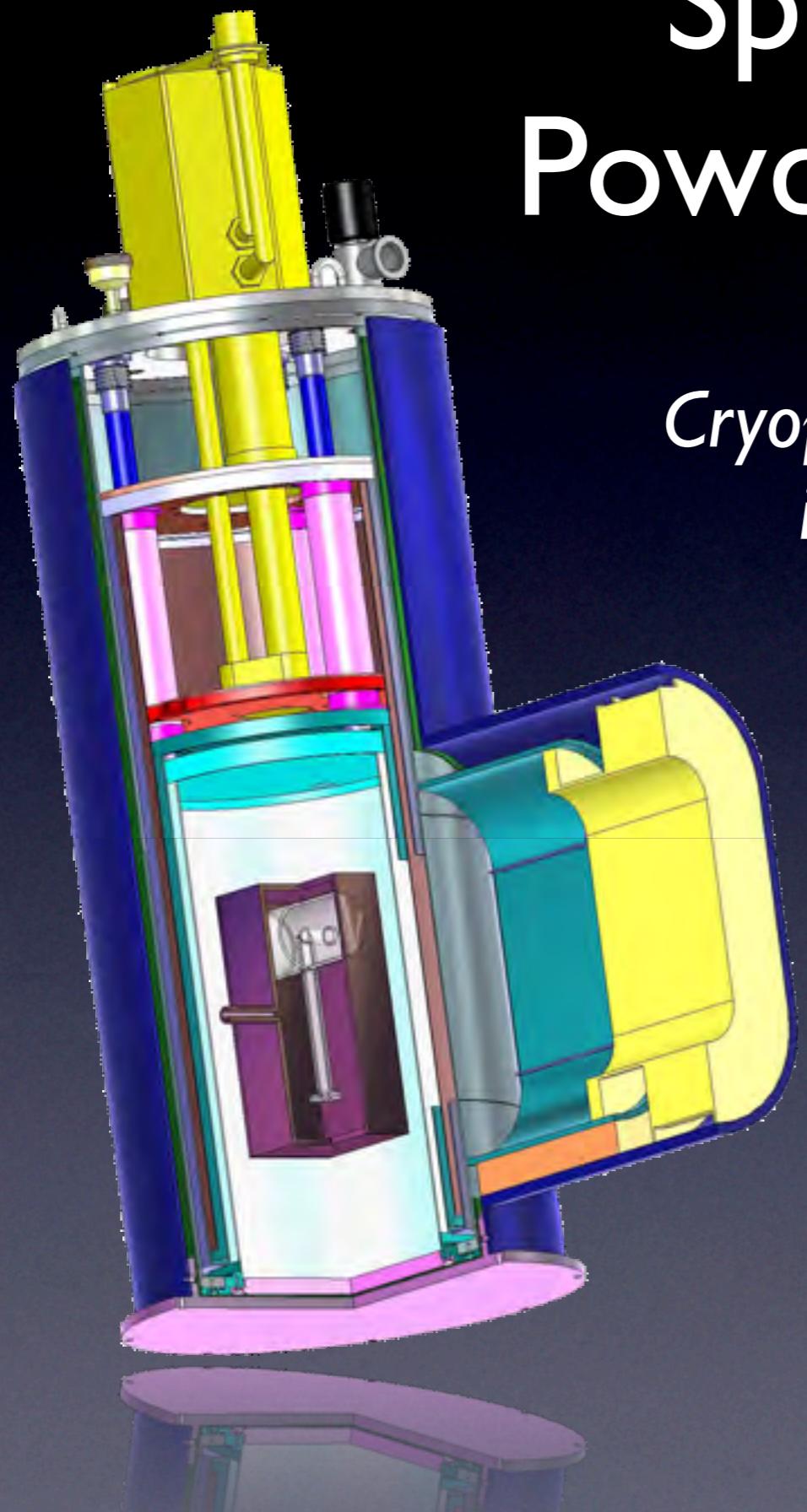
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80%  $^3\text{He}$  polarisation

# Spin-Polarised Powder Diffraction

*Cryopol-II: spin filter/flipper  
in high stray fields*



99.9% efficient  
flipper above  
 $0.3 \text{ \AA}$  in  
400 Gauss  
stray field

$T_1 \approx 120$  hours  
at 1 bar



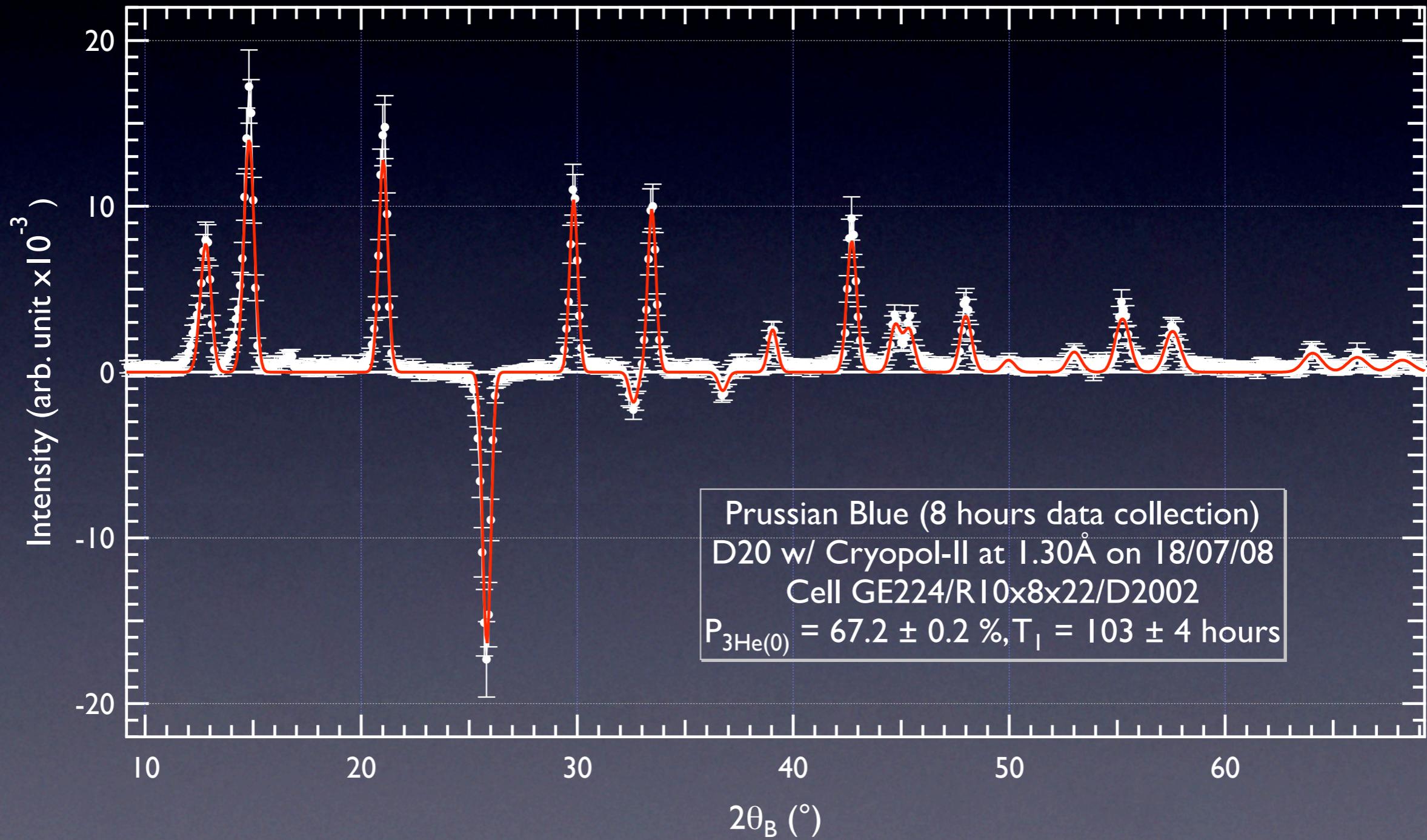
→  
D20

molecular magnets  
nanoscale samples  
biological systems

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# Difference spectrum collected on D20 for Prussian Blue



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- 1992 - Tasset *et al.* (NSF)

On behalf of the ILL  
and of the neutron  
community,

Thank you very much.

*Francis,*

*Je suis souvent troublé à l'idée qu'une partie de ma propre vie est fondée sur ton travail et j'ai conscience d'avoir une grande dette envers toi. C'est avec beaucoup d'émotion et de sincérité que j'ai organisé ce symposium que tu mérites tant.*

*Merci*