

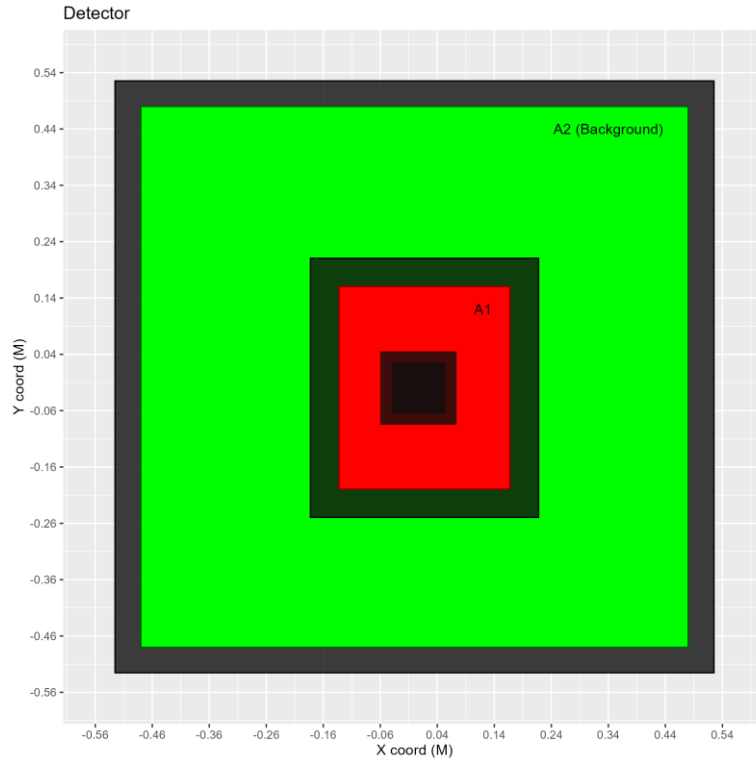
Agenda of ORNL-UTK-UKY-LU zoom meeting

March 17, 2026, at 3:30 PM EST

- Please, send your presented slides for INDICO posting
<https://indico.phy.ornl.gov/event/994>

Agenda:

1. Alina (Yuri) 5' nTMM data set with background subtraction.
2. Nathan & Linus 10' update on calculations for PRD paper
3. Yuri 5' looking at other nn' experiments data
4. John 10' how to install borated poly in next nTMM run
5. Mubi 10' updates from UKY
6. Linus 10' updates from LU
7. AOB



Area-rescaled background
from green area subtracted
from red area

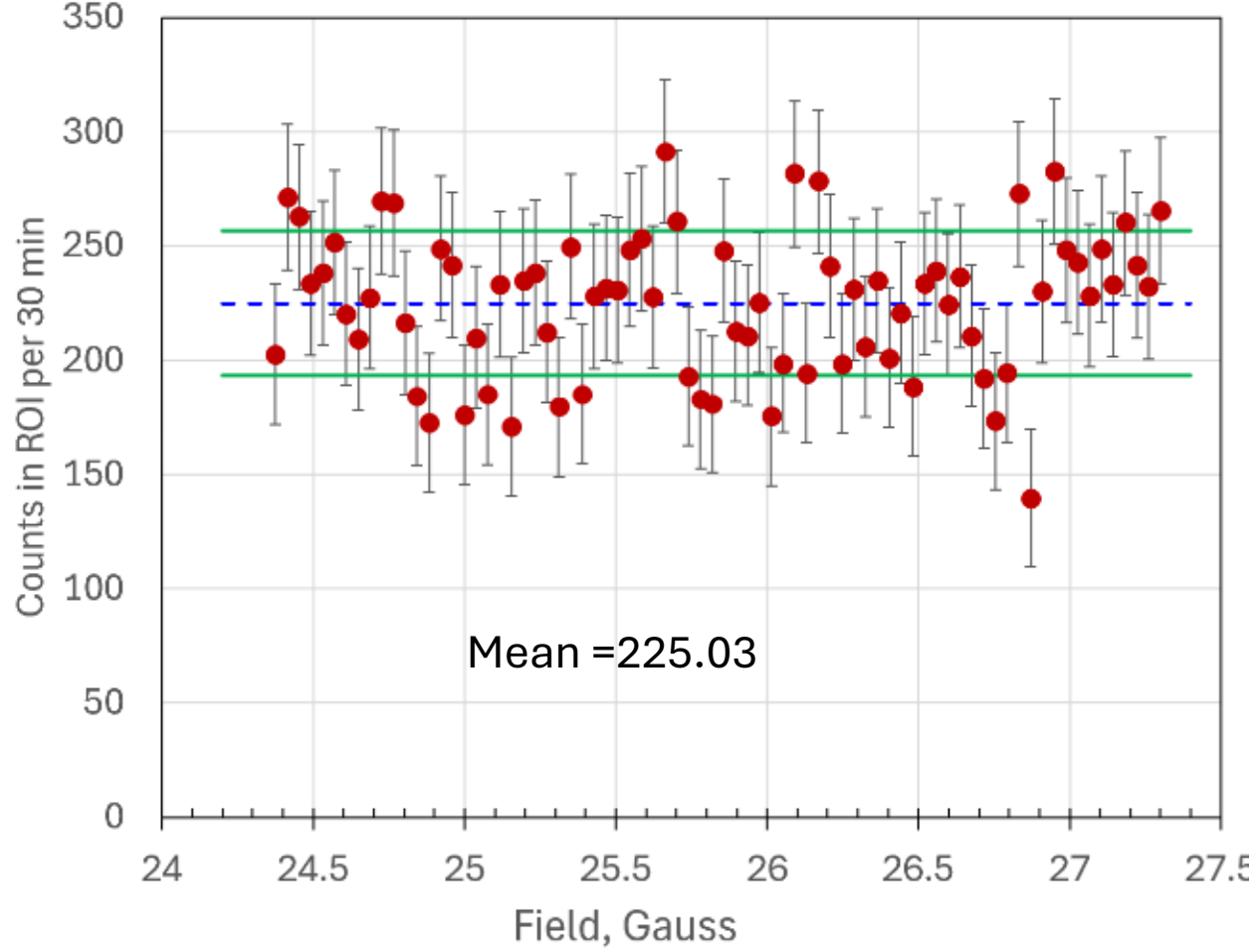
ROI 30 x 36 cm²

Eff = 90.15%

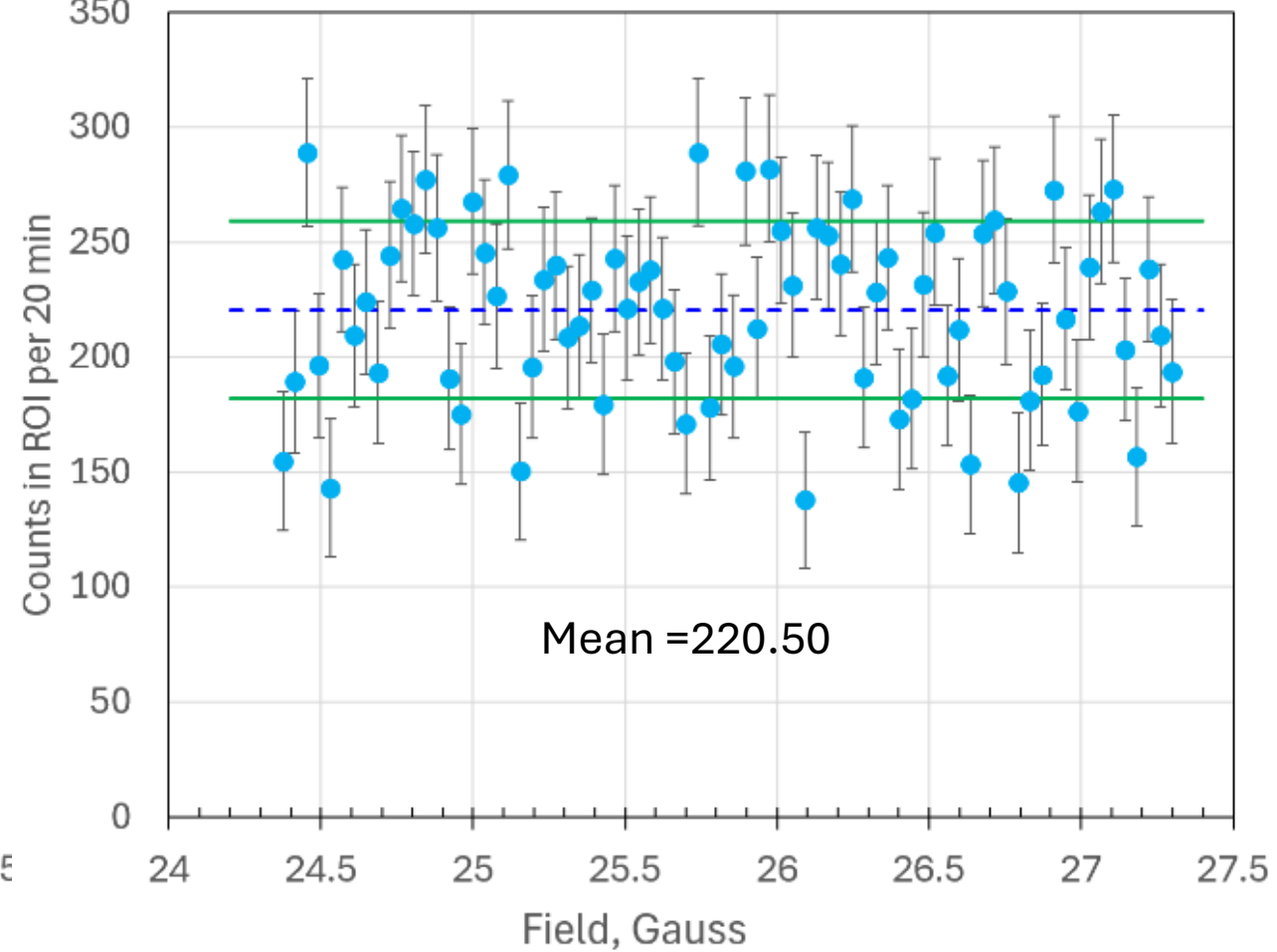
Central peak excluded

- Alina's EXCEL file is posted at UT One Drive: DATA-GP-SANS-2025 • DATA-FOR-FIT • ALINA
- Carolyn is preparing similar set without removal of central peak area

30 min data with background subtraction (no central peak)



20 min data with background subtraction (no central peak)



? Why average is not proportional to run time?

**Comparison of Schrödinger evolution (Python) and
density matrix (Julia) implementation
2026-03-17**

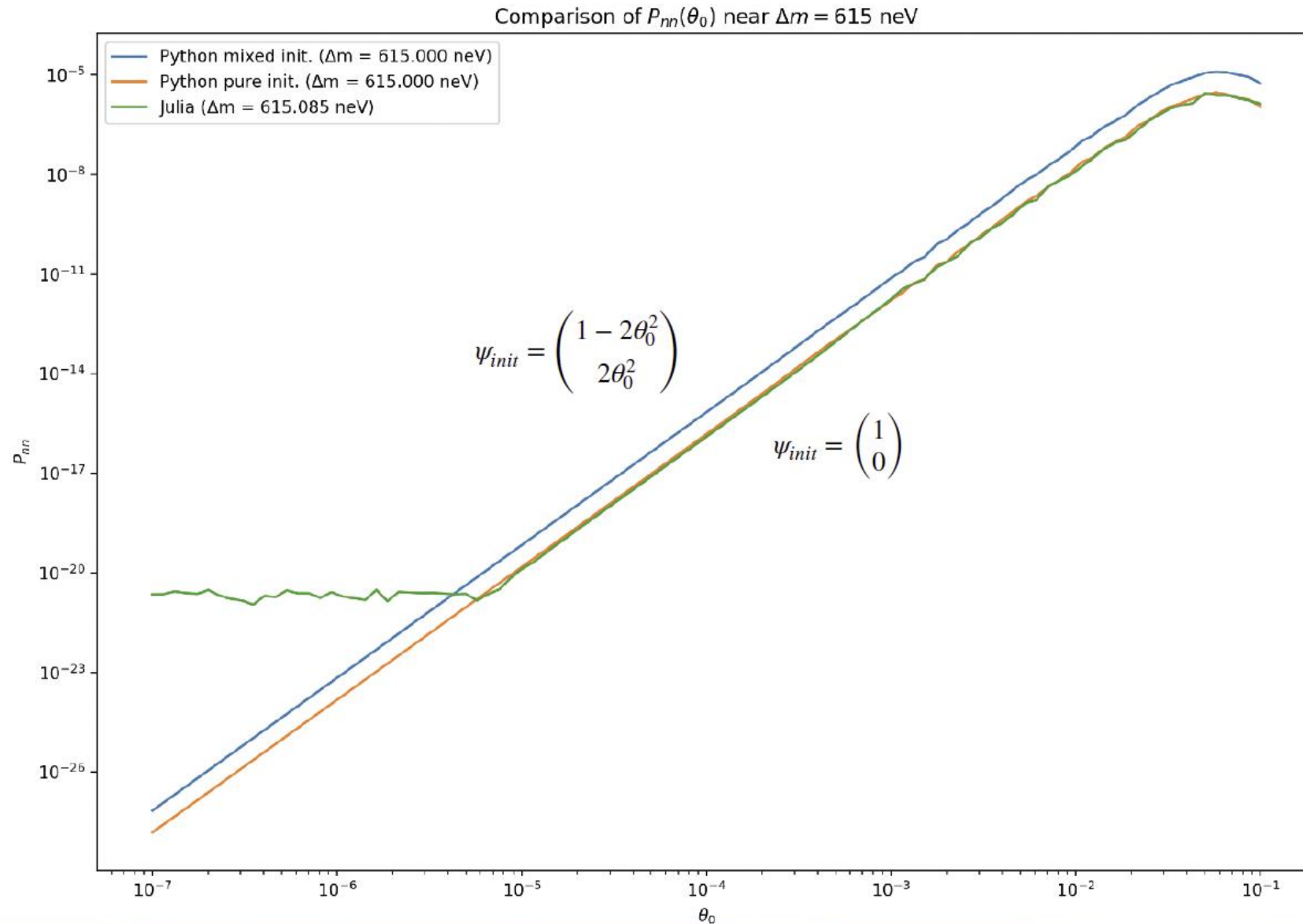


Comparison between Python and Julia

| | Python | Julia |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| Mixing angle | $\tan 2\theta = \frac{2\varepsilon}{U + \varepsilon - iW}$ | $\tan 2\theta = \frac{2\varepsilon}{U - iW}$ |
| Small angle approximation | $\varepsilon = \frac{\Delta m \tan 2\theta}{2}$ | $\varepsilon = \theta \Delta m$ |
| Initialisation: | $\psi_{init} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - 2\theta_0^2 \\ 2\theta_0^2 \end{pmatrix}$ <p>Mixed phase</p> | $\rho_{init} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ <p>Pure neutron state</p> |



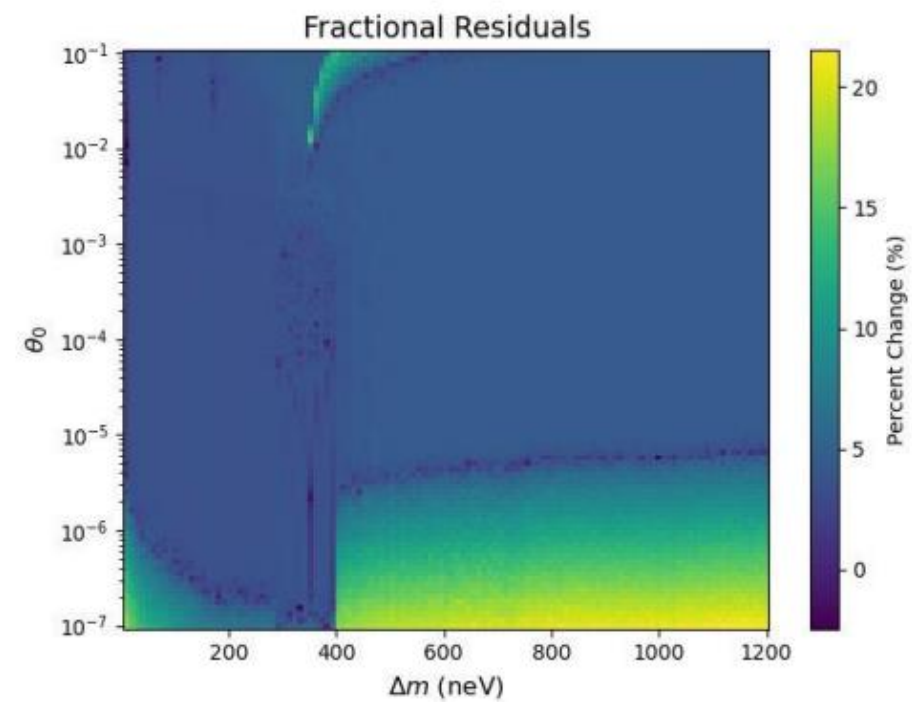
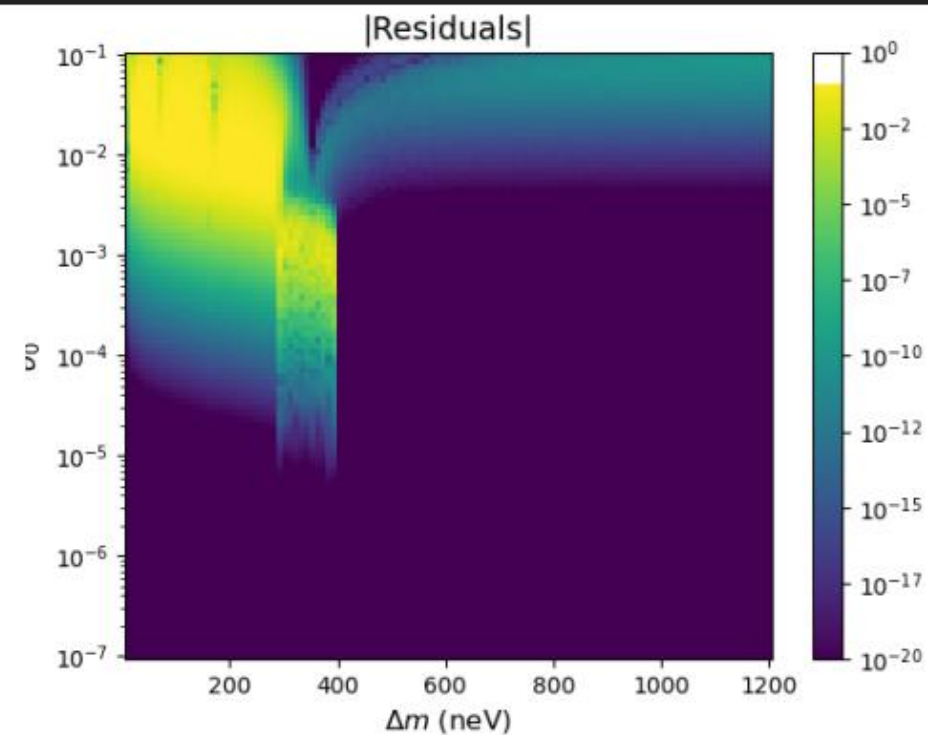
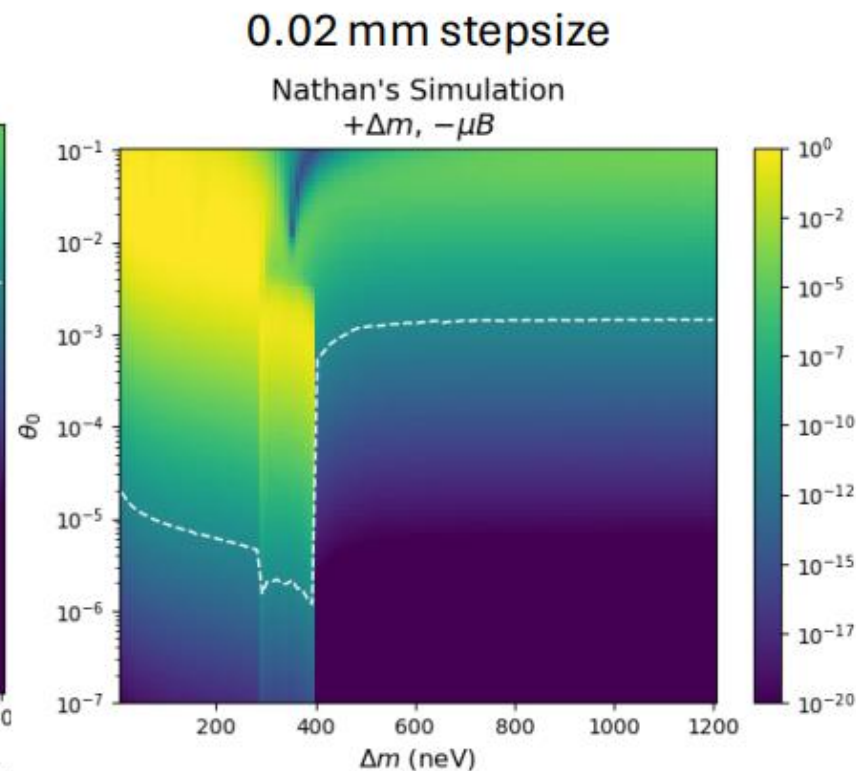
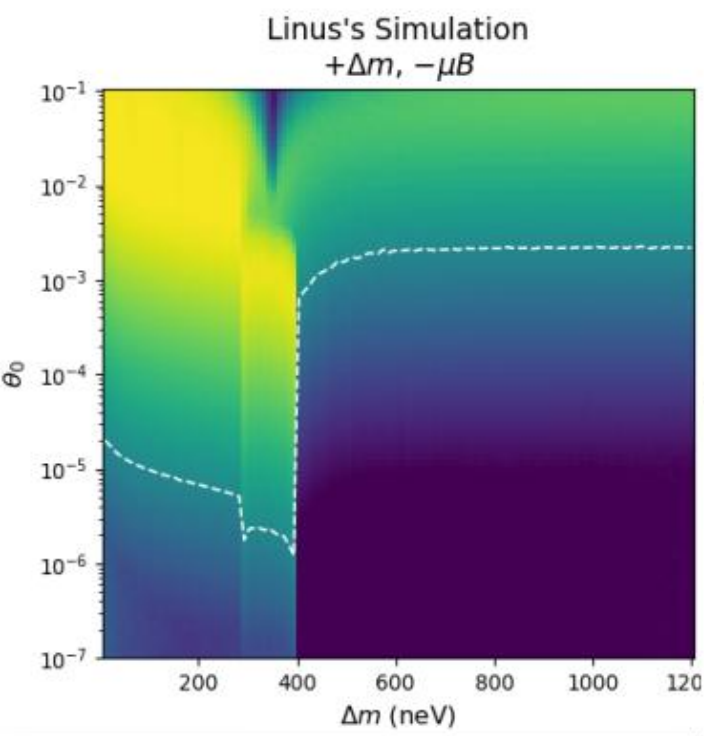
Change of initialisation



Way forward

- If this is confirmed to be the reason for the discrepancy, I suggest we use the corrected Python code moving forward.
- I can run it on COSMOS, roughly 30x faster than on workstations.
- We should add description in paper of the new calculation and its agreement with the old one.
- Once available, shouldn't be more than 1 week of work to run the simulations.

+ Δm , + μB : Fractional residuals

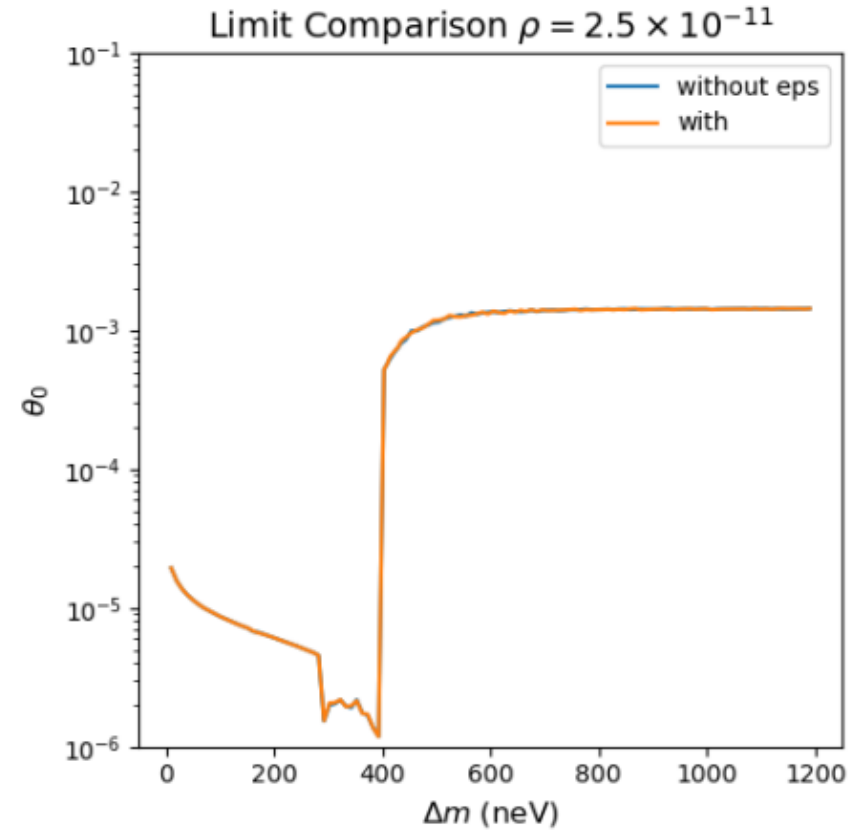


Calculation Error

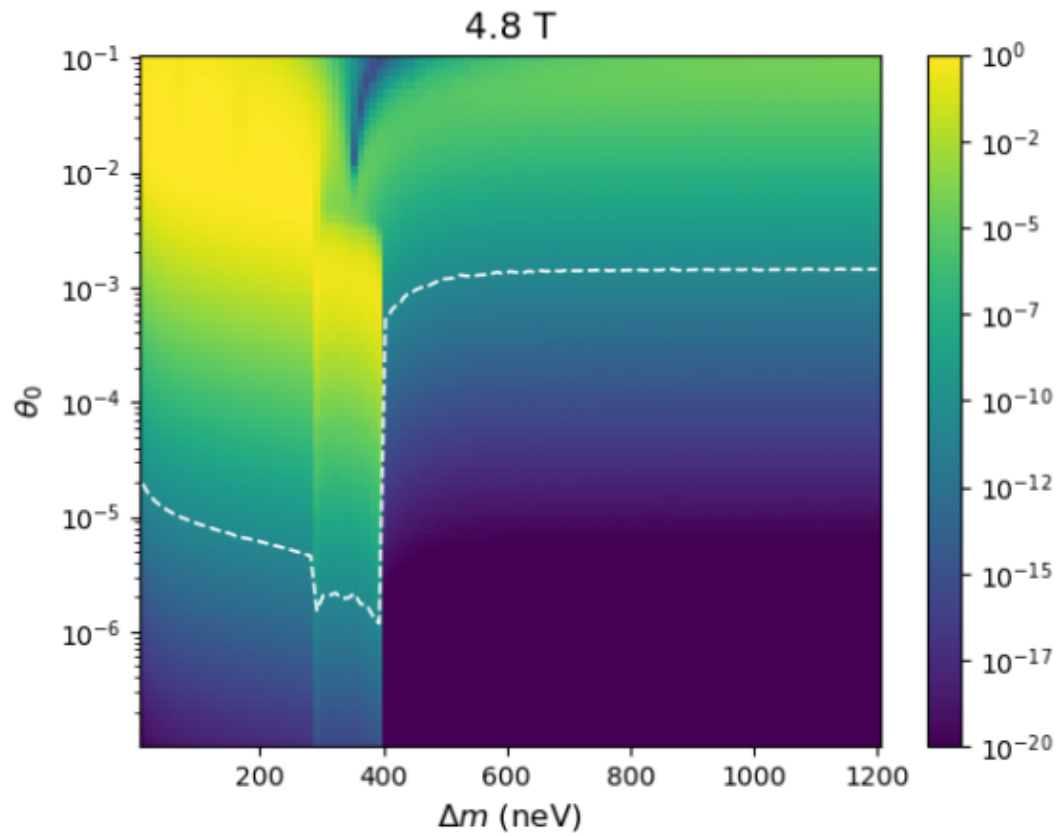
- Linus pointed out that $opc = U + \mathbf{eps} - iW$ may be incorrect

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opc = (U + eps).astype(cp.complex128) - 1j*W
arg = 2.0 * eps / opc
zeta2 = cp.arctan(arg)
zeta = zeta2 / 2.0
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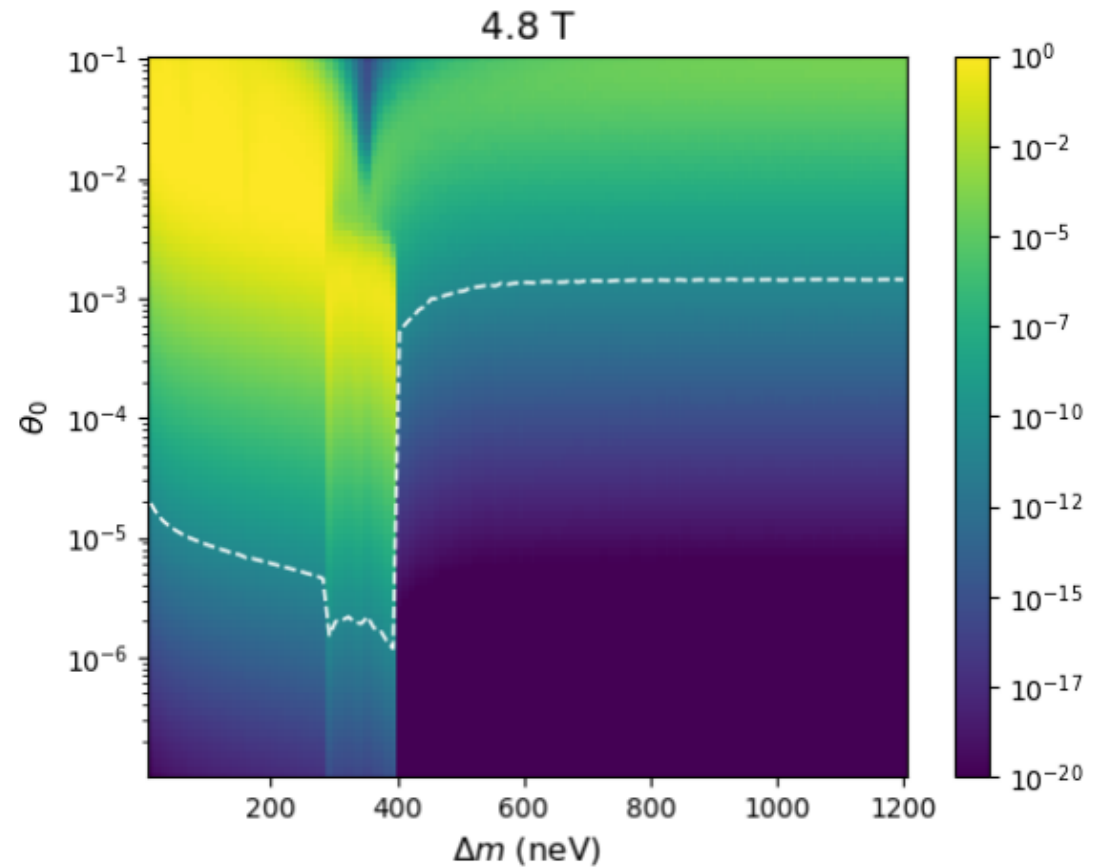
- Only resulted in a change at large theta and small dm
- Made absorption resonance look more like Linus's simulations (next slide)



With eps

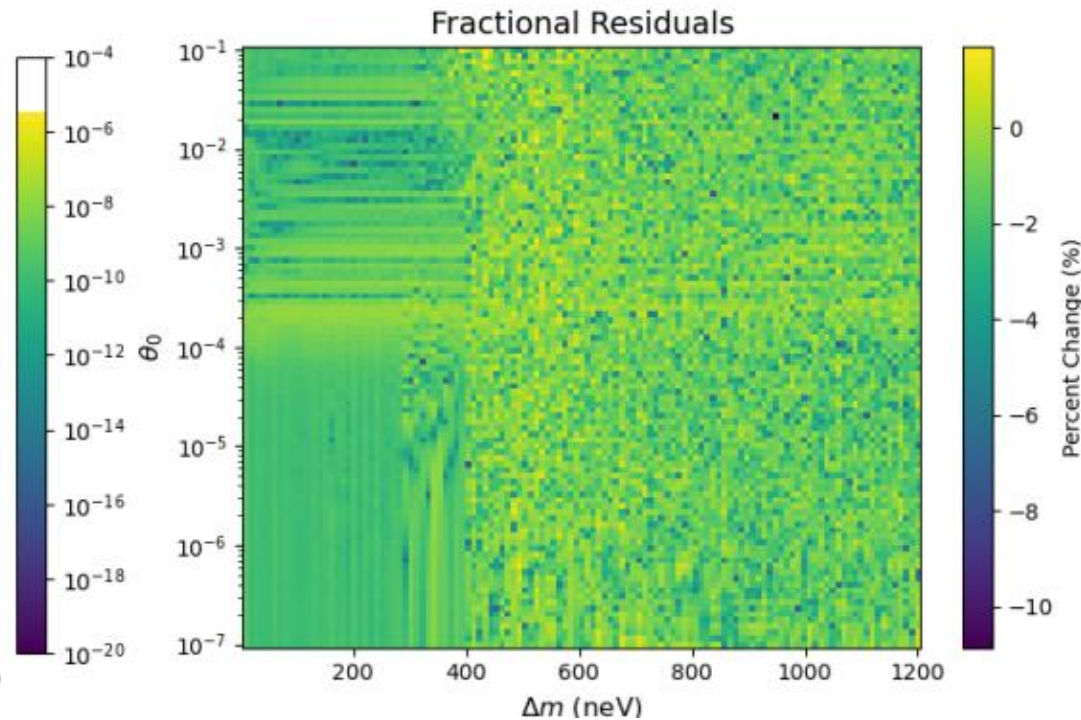
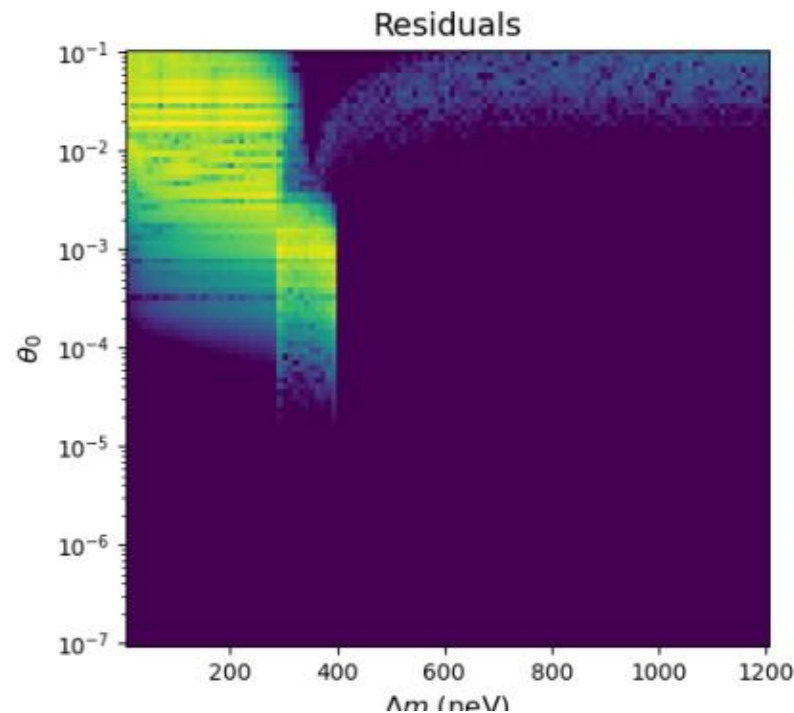
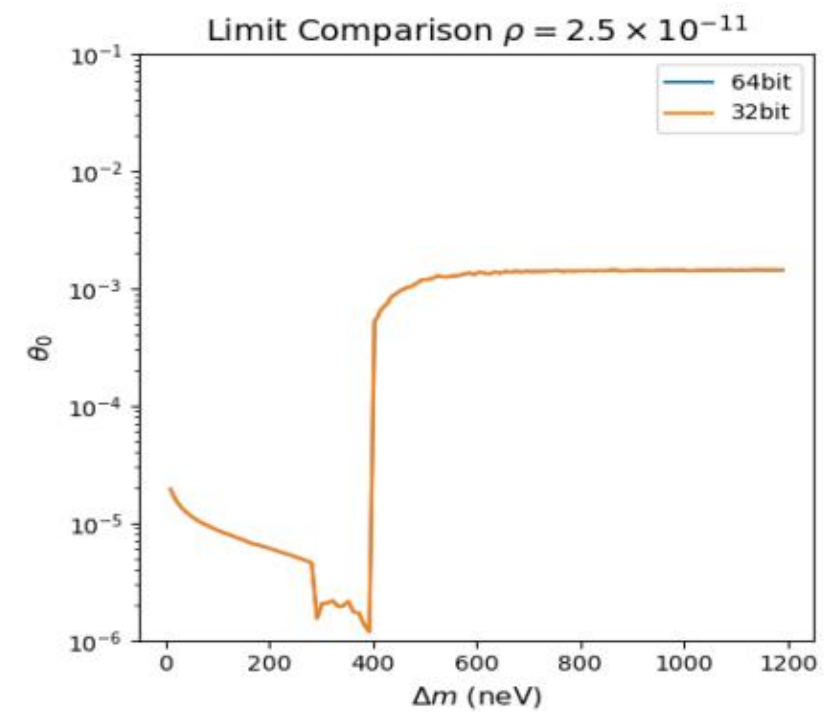


Without eps



32 Bit

- Float64 -> Float32
- Complex128 -> Complex64



For the plot of comparison of nn' search with other experiments, the other experiments limits exist in the form of .csv files gathered by Frank, Cary, and now are in hands of Nathan

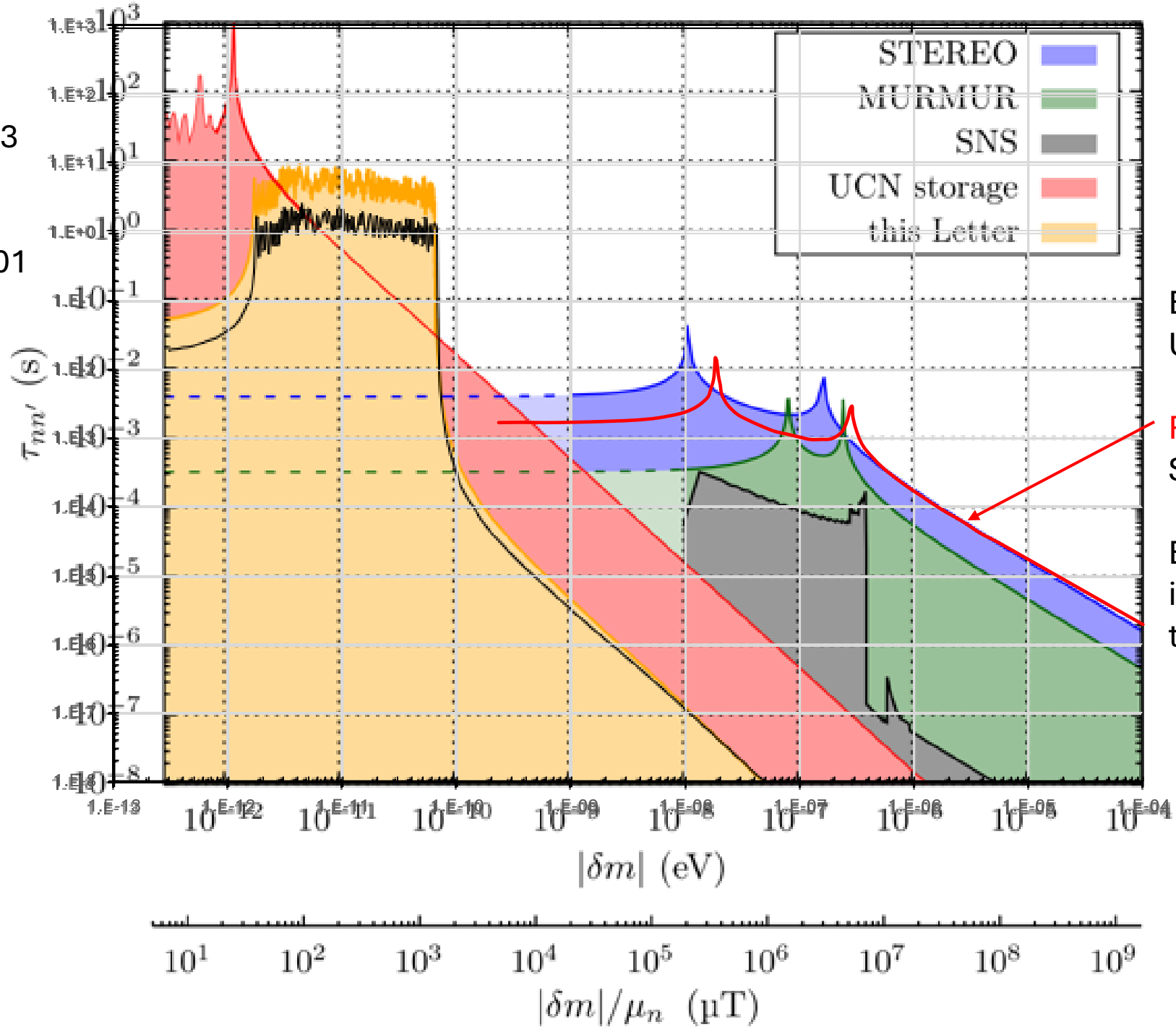
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MURMUR_negative.csv
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nEDM_Limits.csv
PSI_recast_1.csv
PSI_recast_2.csv
PSI_recast_3.csv
STEREO_negative.csv
STEREO_positive.csv
UCNBeam_Limits.csv

- New PSI UCN limits are promised next week.

New UCN PSI data
by N.J. Ayres et al., arXiv:2602.23487v1
(nucl-ex) 26 February 2026

UCN BEAM 2023

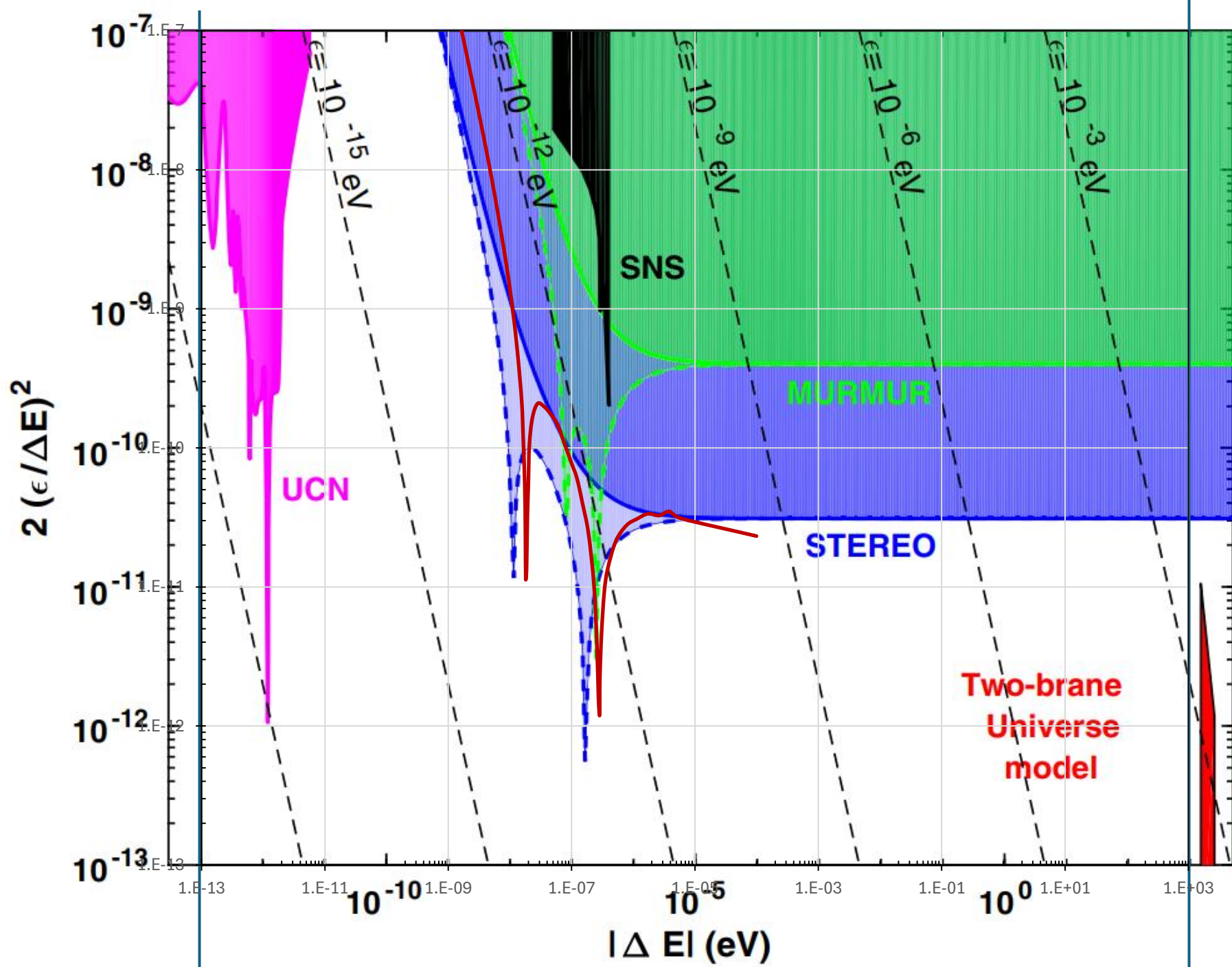
G. Ban et al.
PRL, 131, 191801



Black:
UCNBeam_Limits.csv

Red:
STEREO_negative.csv

BTW: why negative ΔE
in STEREO corresponding
to our positive Δm ?



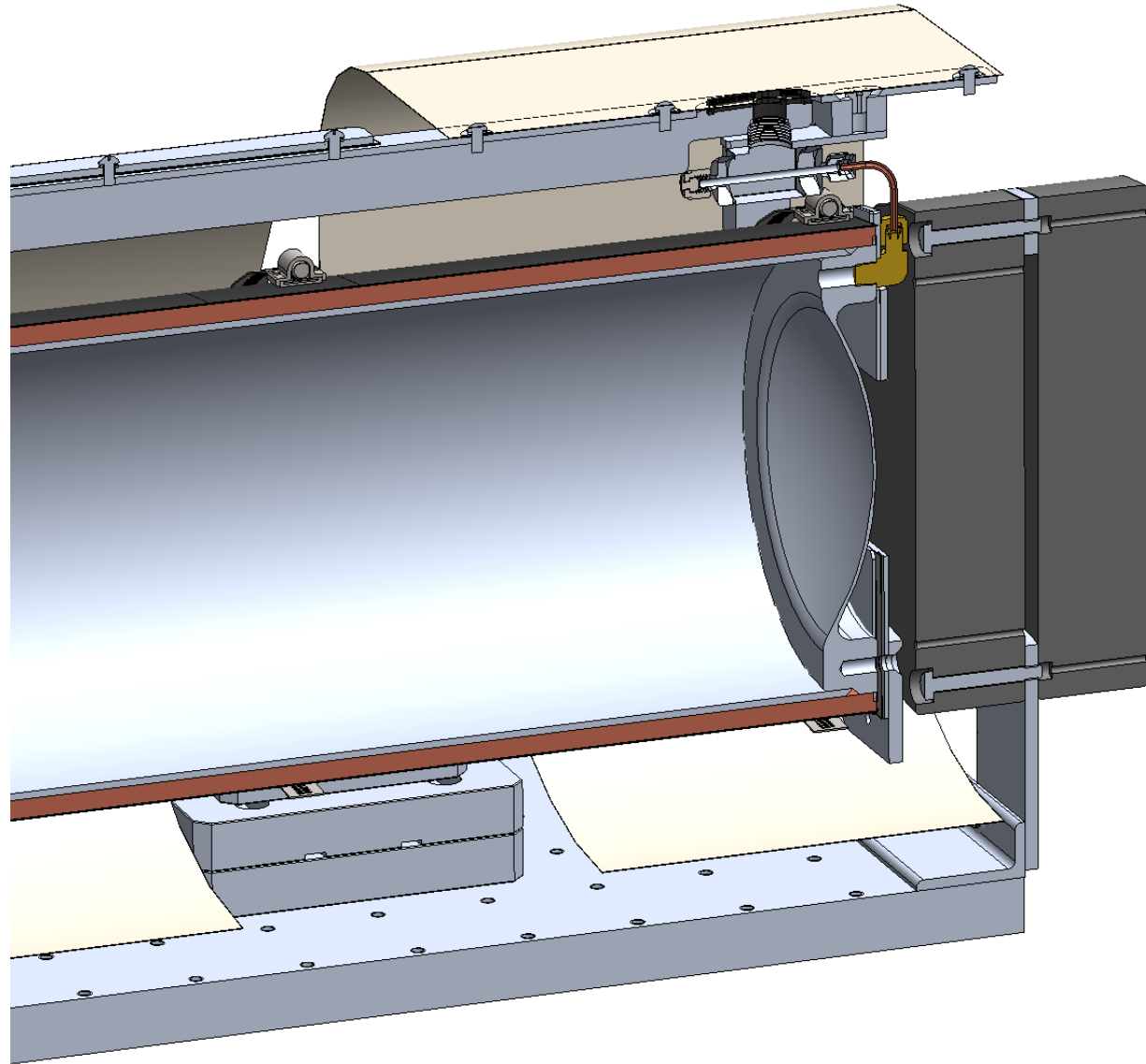
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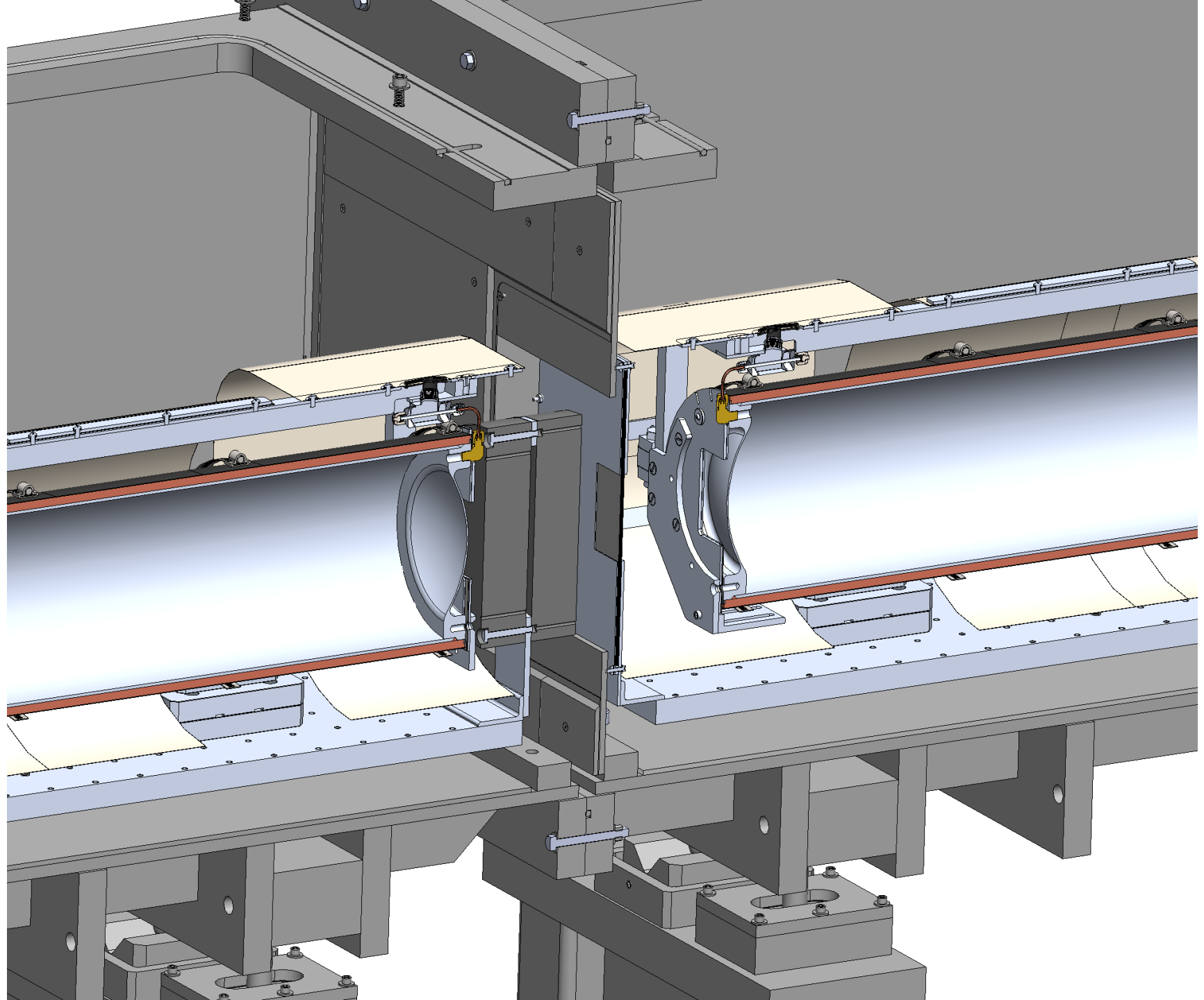
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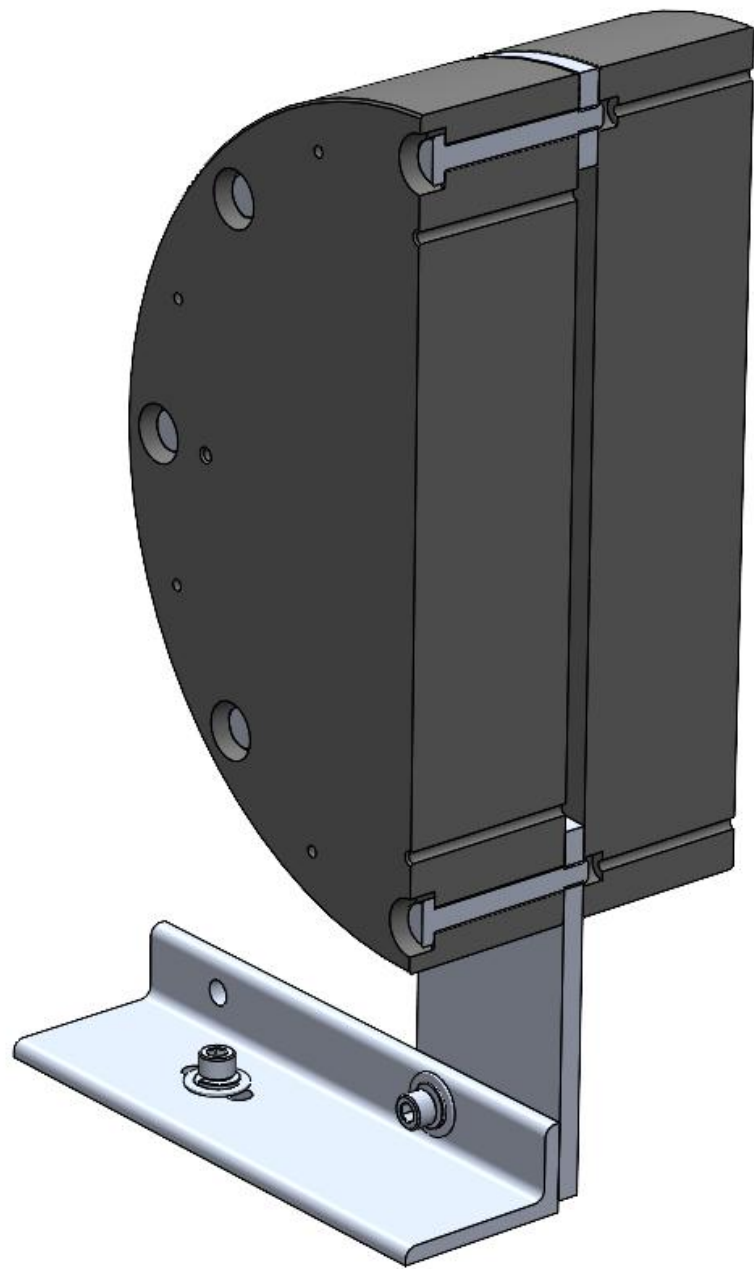
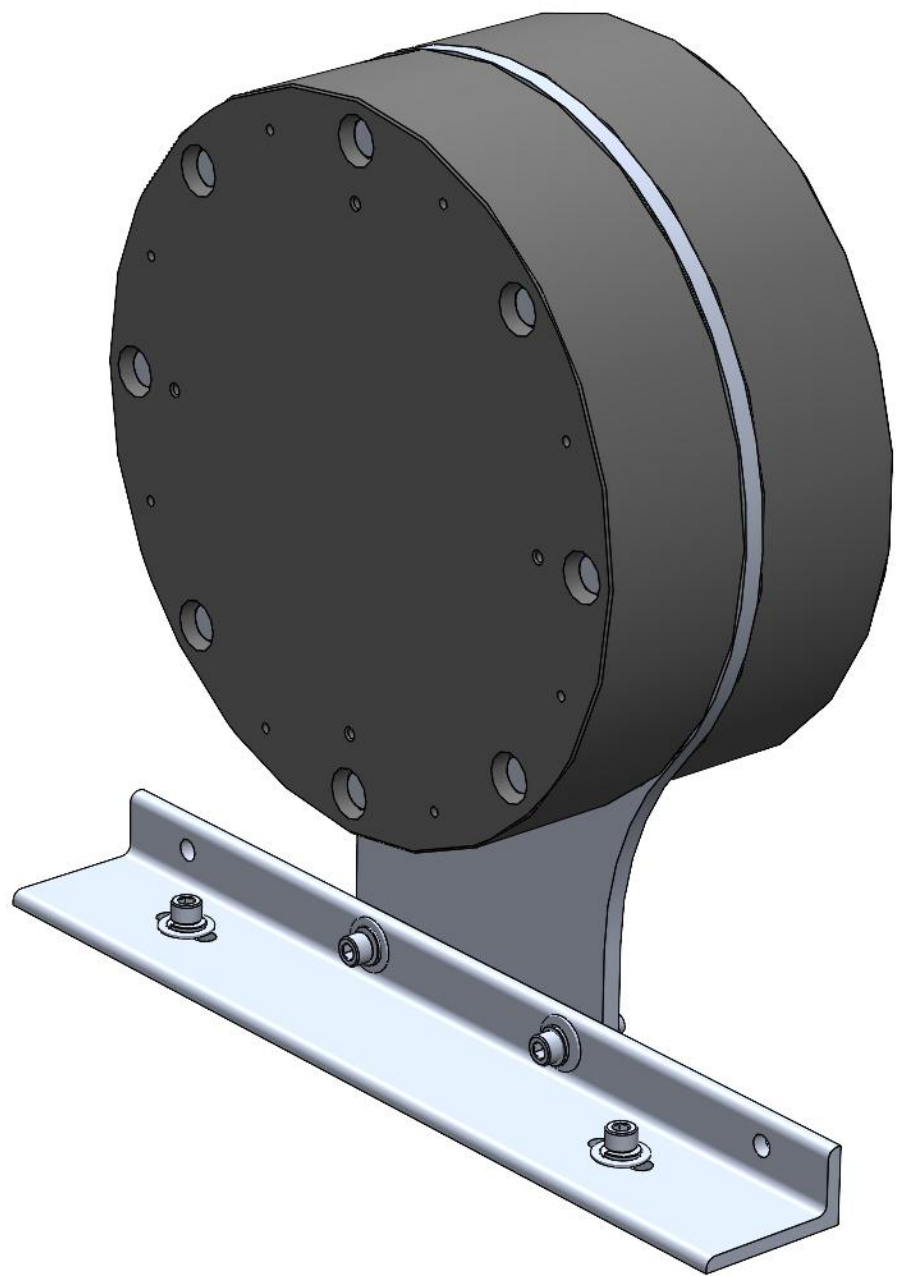
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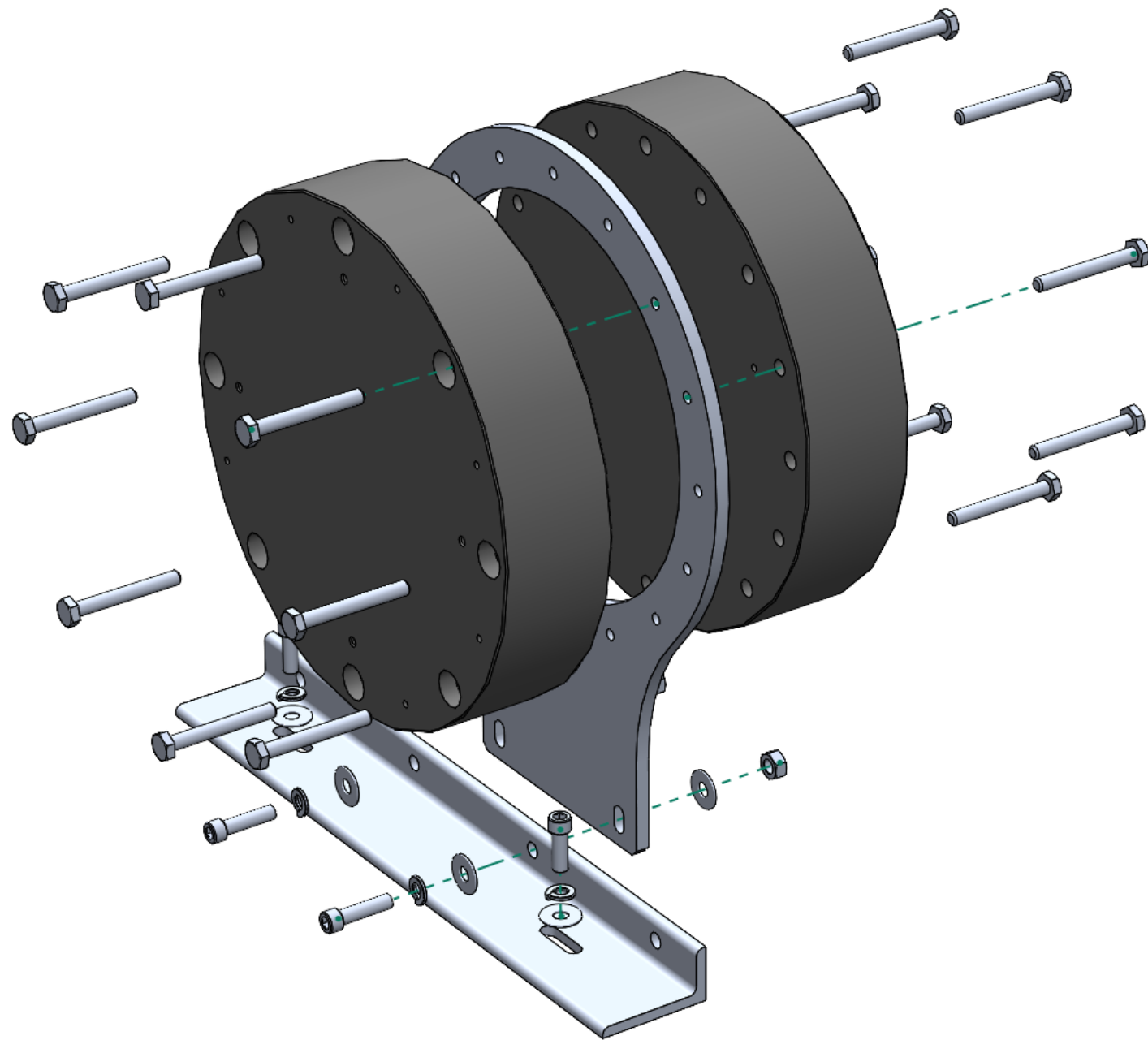
borated HDPE in nTMM

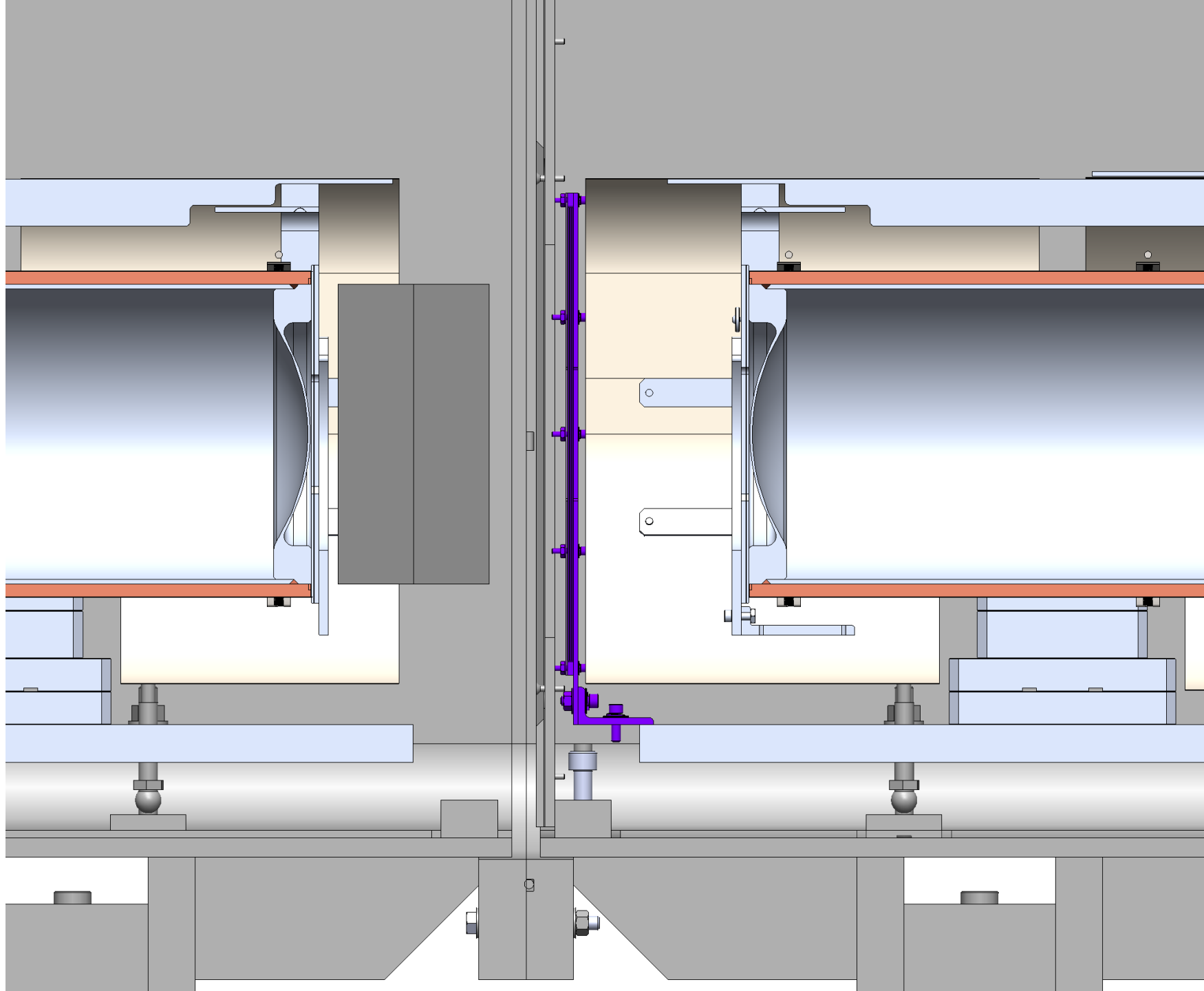
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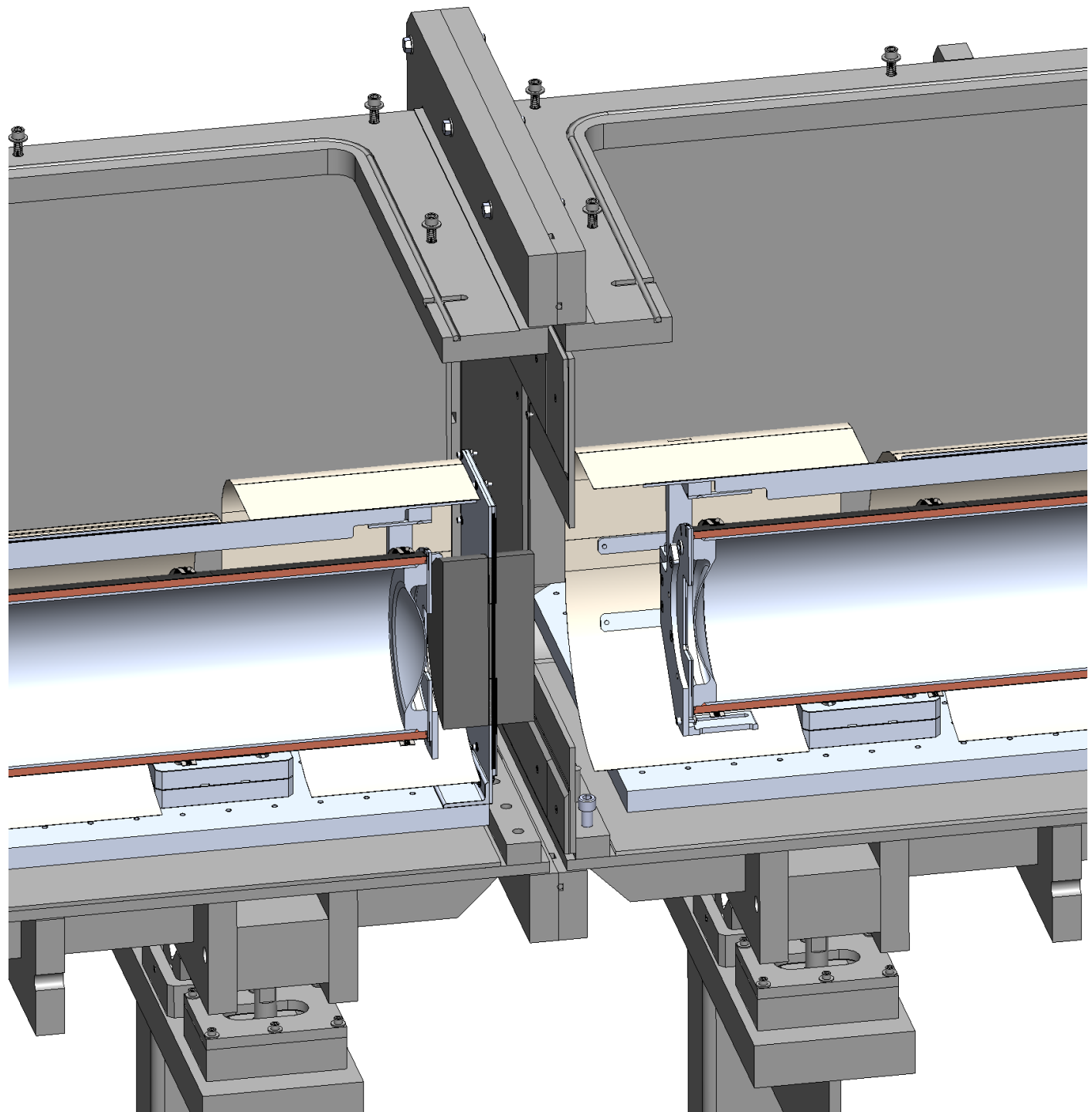












Hi Yuri,

I do expect to install this from the side before the outer magnetic shield is installed.

I also think that slitting the holes in the shielding near the cadmium package will be good. It is not necessarily required to make things clear but gives us some extra flexibility for when imperfect reality strikes.

I'd be happy to talk about this in tomorrow's meeting.

Shieldwerx carries 5% borated HDPE (density is 1.07 g/cm³). They also carry a 5% borated self-extinguishing version (density is 1.60 g/cm³). You can see those here:

- <https://www.shieldwerx.com/poly-based-shielding>
- https://www.shieldwerx.com/_files/ugd/fb24e8_7f15396dd82b4abf9a940052d8ee56af.pdf
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John