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New Limit on the Permanent Electric Dipole Moment of ^{129}Xe using ^3He Comagnetometry and SQUID Detection

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We report results of a new technique to measure the electric dipole moment of ^{129}Xe with ^3He comagnetometry. Both species are polarized using spin-exchange optical pumping, transferred to a measurement cell, and transported into a magnetically shielded room, where SQUID magnetometers detect free precession in applied electric and magnetic fields. The result from a one week measurement campaign in 2017 and a 2.5 week campaign in 2018, combined with detailed study of systematic effects, is $d_A(^{129}\text{Xe}) = (1.4 \pm 6.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 2.0_{\text{syst}}) \times 10^{-28} \text{ e cm}$. This corresponds to an upper limit of $|d_A(^{129}\text{Xe})| < 1.4 \times 10^{-27} \text{ e cm}$ (95% CL), a factor of five more sensitive than the limit set in 2001.