

FASCI RADIOATTIVI (ioni con nuclei Esotici)

Ioni instabili prodotti artificialmente(ovvero non esistenti in natura) con caratteristiche energetiche e spaziali tali da poter essere riutilizzati o come sorgente per un acceleratore o come un "normale" fascio ottenuto da un acceleratore per studiarne le proprieta' o produrre reazioni.

Cos'e' un nucleo esotico?

Normal Nucleus:



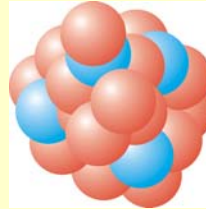
6 neutrons

6 protons (carbon)

^{12}C

Stable, found in nature

Exotic Nucleus:



16 neutrons

6 protons (carbon)

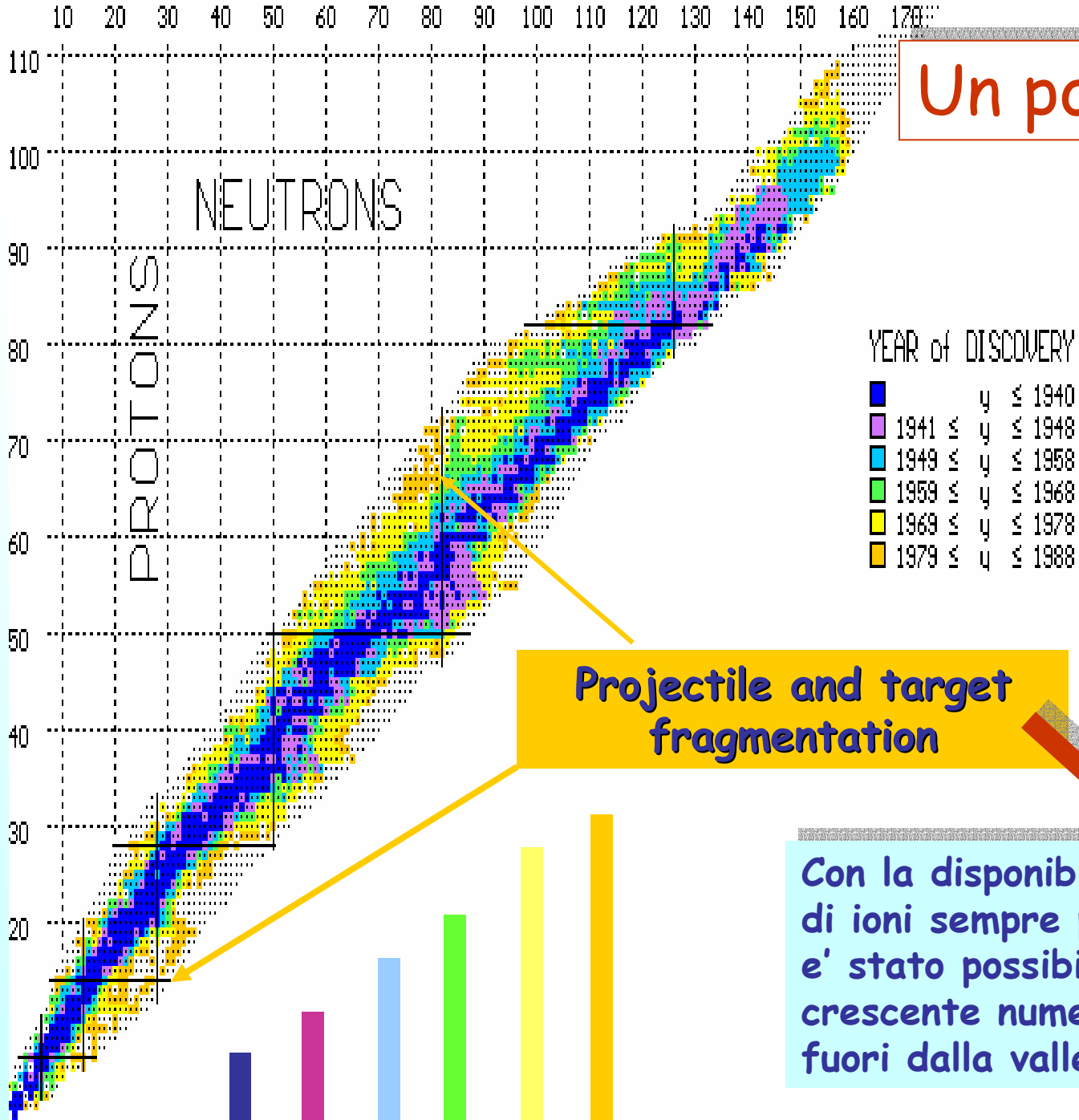
^{22}C

Radioactive, at the limit of nuclear binding

Characteristics of exotic nuclei:

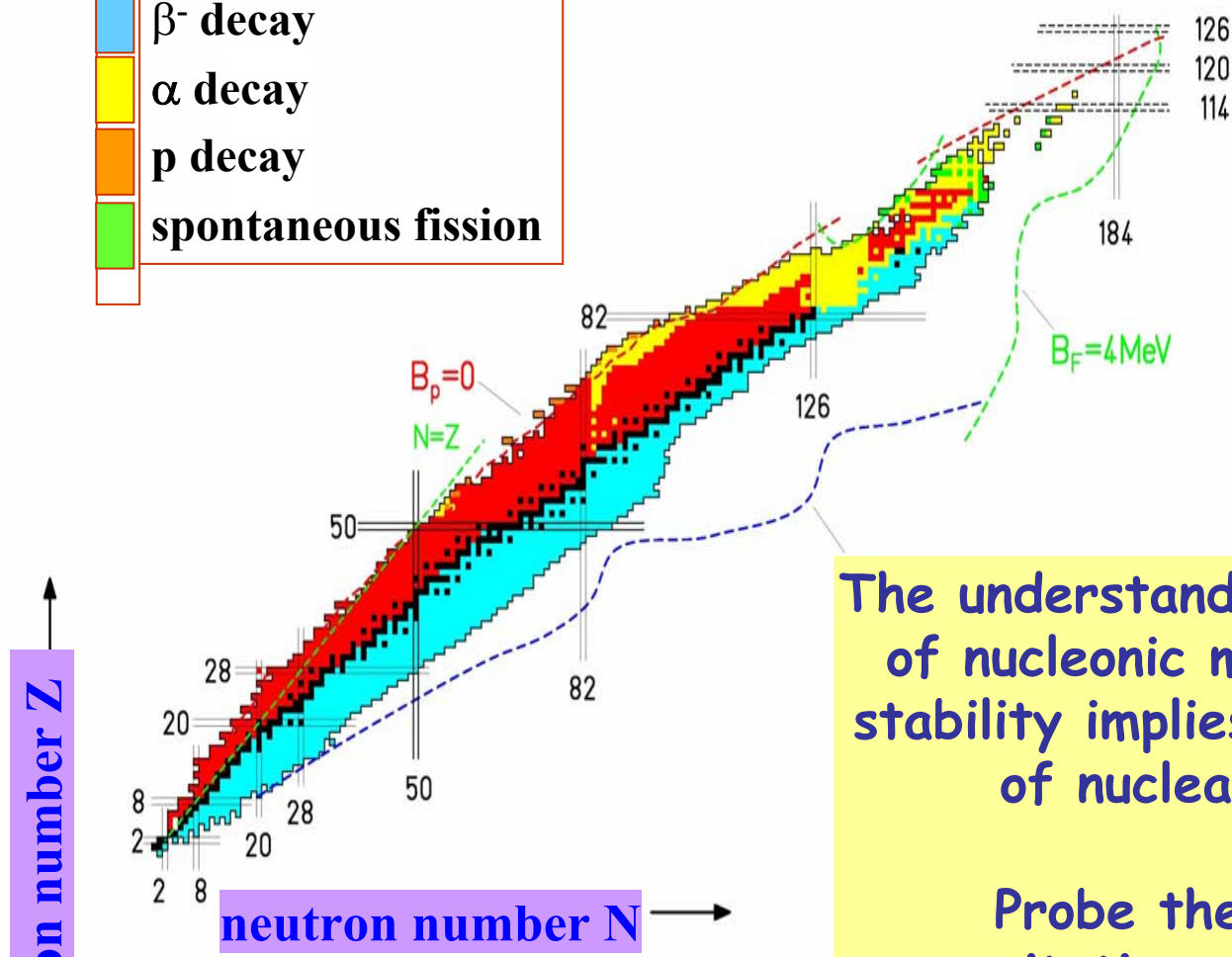
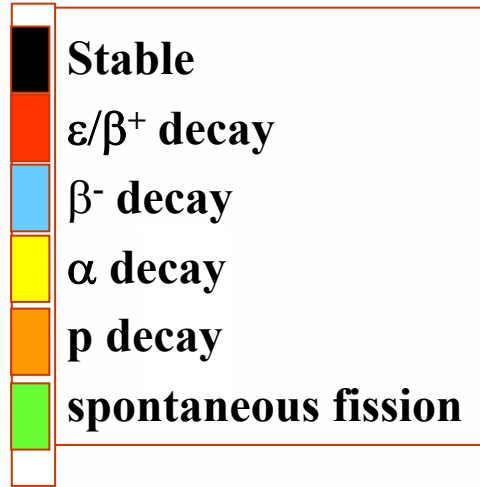
- ✓ Excess of neutrons or protons,
- ✓ short half-life,
- ✓ neutron or proton dominated surface,
- ✓ low binding

Un po' di storia



Con la disponibilita' di fasci di ioni sempre piu' pesanti e' stato possibile creare un crescente numero di nuclei fuori dalla valle di stabilita'

Limits of Nuclear Existence



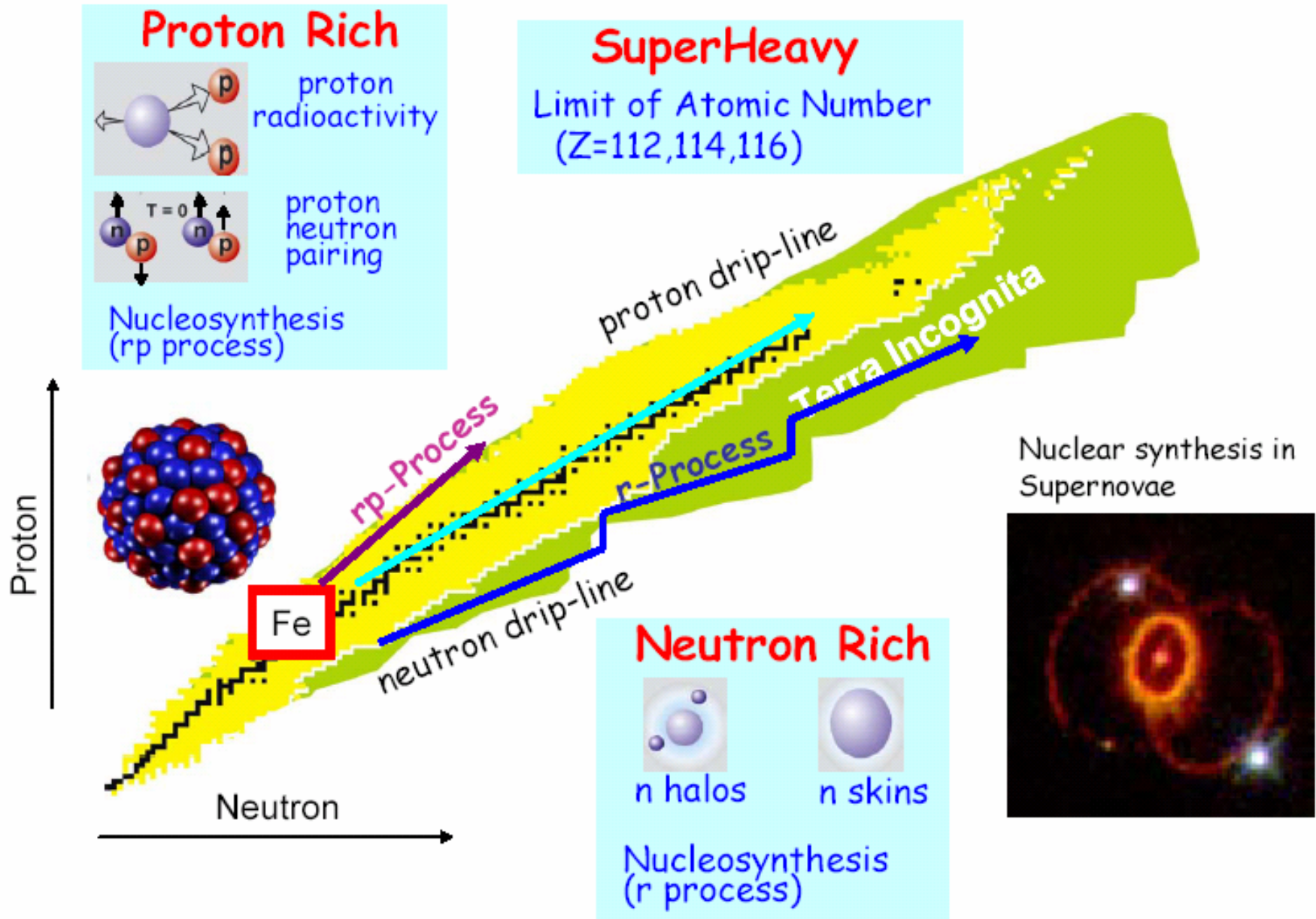
The understanding of the nature of nucleonic matter far from stability implies the exploration of nuclear structure:

Probe the phases and excitation modes of nuclei resulting from the interactions between nucleons

World Wide Radioactive Beam Facilities



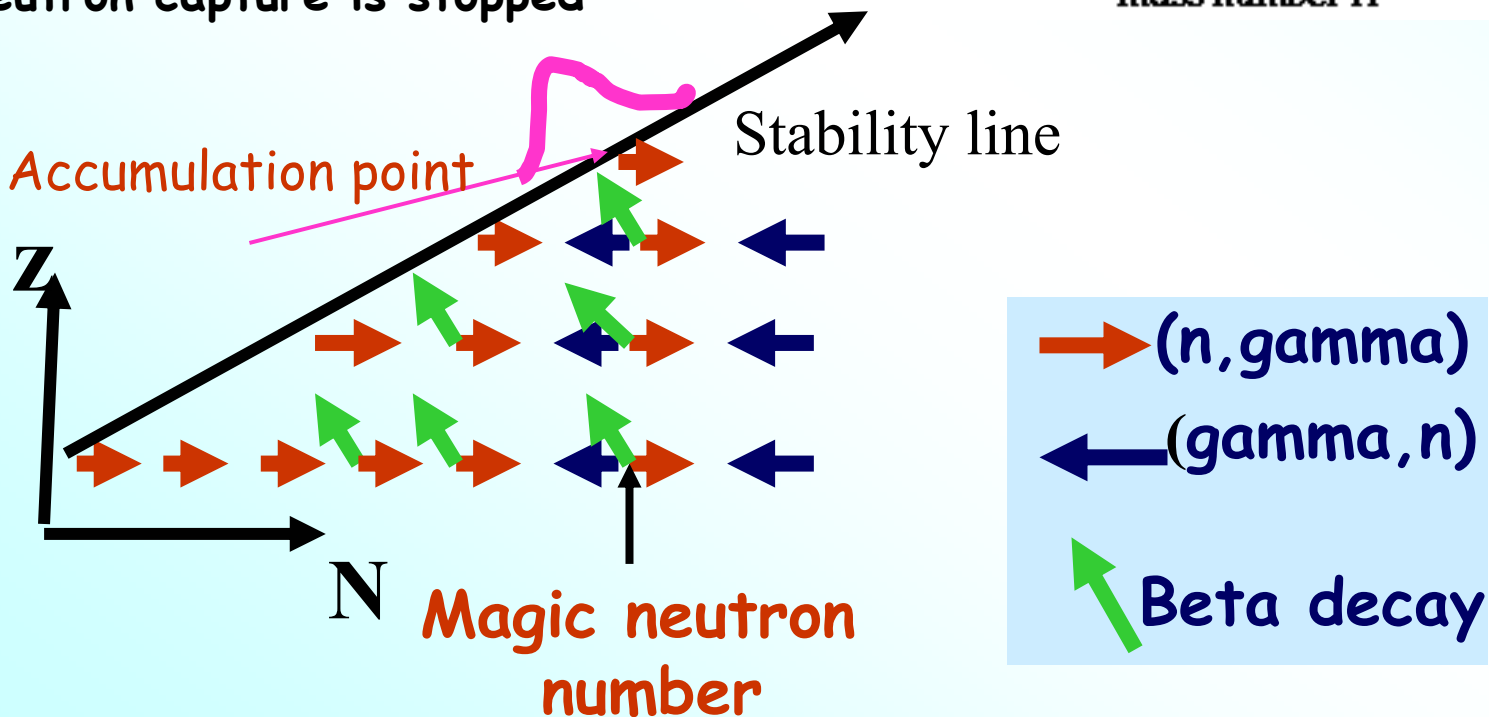
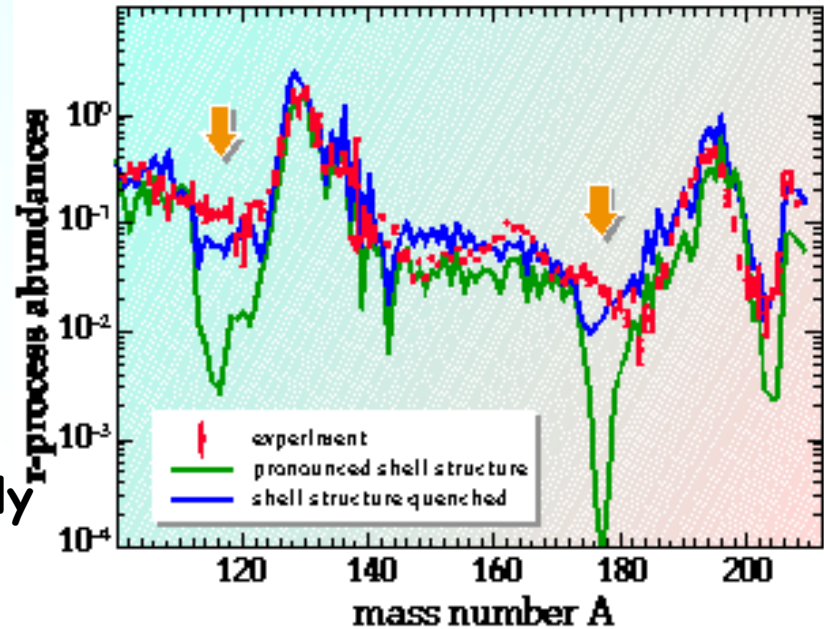
Frontiers of Nuclear Structures: Exotic Nuclei



The r-process

Abundance peak in the r-nuclei distribution

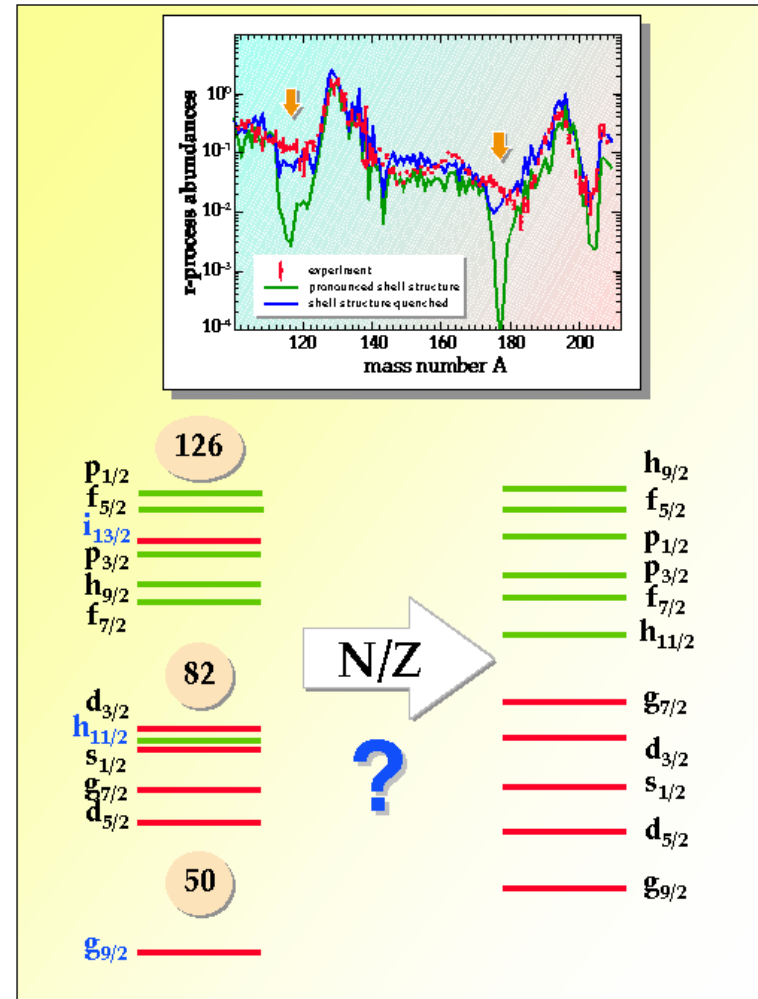
→ Decrease of S_n
Photodisintegration competes with neutron capture and eventually Equilibrium is reached and then neutron capture is stopped



Nuclear physics in r-process

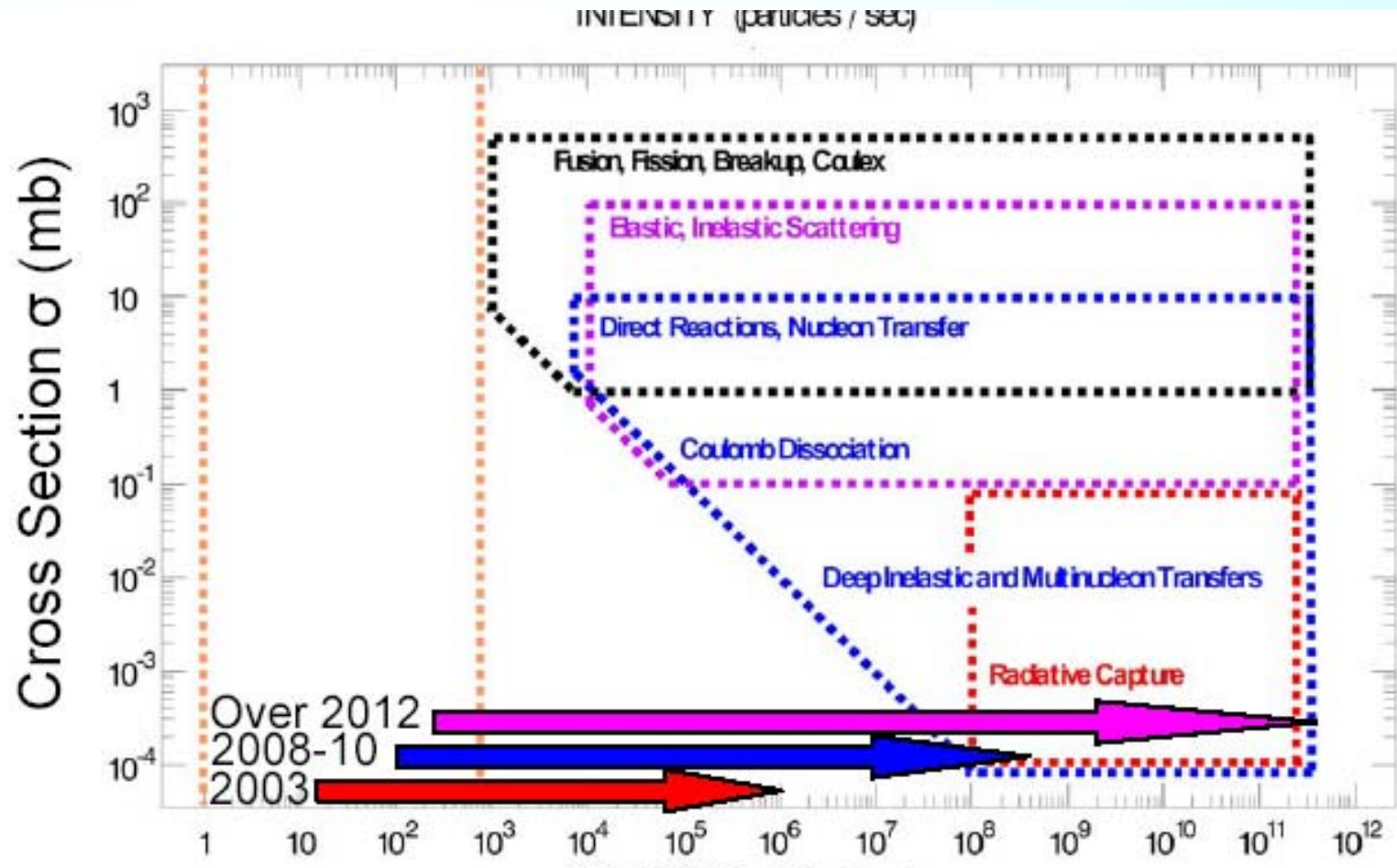
R-process involves many unstable exotic nuclei and their properties need to be known:

- Ground state properties
- Optical potential
- Level densities
- Gamma-ray strength function
- Reaction rates
- Beta-decay rates
- Shell structure and its evolution with N/Z



Produce and accelerate RIB to undertake this program

The different nuclear structure properties (or excitation modes)
Needs the use of different reaction mechanisms which correspond
to cross sections varying over 8 order of magnitude



Method	Part /sec	Physics
Detection and identification	10⁻⁵	Limits of nuclei, Existence
Stripping reactions	10⁻⁴	Nuclear properties beyond the drip lines
Mass measurements	10⁻²	Masses, explosive nucleosynthesis
Interaction cross section	10⁻²	Radii, nuclear size
Knockout reactions	10⁻⁵	Halos, cluster models, spectroscopic factors
Heavy-ion collisions	10⁻⁵	Nuclear compressibility, EOS, supernovae
Giant dipole resonance	10⁻⁶	Nuclear size and shape, r-process
Nuclear size and shape, r-process	10⁻⁷	Nuclear compressibility, EOS, neutron stars, supernovae
Coulomb excitation (2+)	1	Evolution of shell structure, r-process
Elastic scattering	10⁻³	Radii, density distributions
Inelastic scattering	10⁻³	Nuclear structure, rp-process
Nuclear structure, rp-process	10⁻⁴	Proton drip line, rp-process
Charge exchange	10⁻⁶	Gamow-Teller strength, supernova core evolution,
Lifetimes/β-decay studies	10⁻³	Nuclear deformation, shell evolution, explosive nucleosynthesis, r-process,
β-NMR	10	Ground-state moments
Micro-second isomers	10⁻³	Shell structure, single particle states

Programma sperimentale vasto che riguarda :

➤ **Produzione dei nuclei radioattivi**

Acceleratori e bersagli di produzione (selezione della regione di A)
Masse e altre proprietà dello stato fondamentale
(Spin, momenti magnetici, momenti di quadrupolo)
Decadimenti (beta e alpha per i nuclei pesanti)

➤ **reazioni con fasci radioattivi** per studiare le proprietà di struttura e indagare i vari aspetti e la complessità del problema a multiorpici

Basse energie (Fino a circa 20 MeV/u)

Reazioni di trasferimento (proprietà di particella singola)
Fusione (proprietà collettive)
Eccitazione Coulombiana (Proprietà collettive)

Alte energie ($E > 50$ MeV/U)

Knock out , frammentazione
eccitazione coulombiana

➤ **strumentazione** per la spettroscopia associata, particelle cariche, neutroni, gamma e spettrometri di massa e di momento)

Primo problema:

Intensita' dei fasci di ioni radioattivi da usare come fasci secondari :

- Quali sono i problemi tecnici per avere fasci con intensita' paragonabili con quella di ioni con nuclei stabili?

(10^{10-11} ioni/s)

- perche' servono alte intensita' ?

$$N_{\text{prod}} = N_{\text{inc}} N_{\text{targ}} \sigma$$

[ions/sec] [ions/sec] [nucl/cm²] [cm²]



$$N_{\text{prod}} = \frac{I(eA)}{Z_{\text{proj}} e [\text{coul}]} \frac{N_A \chi [\text{gr/cm}^2]}{A_{\text{targ}} [\text{gr}]} \sigma [\text{cm}^2]$$



$$N_{\text{prod}} = \frac{I(enA) 10^{-9} 10^{19} 6.02 \cdot 10^{23} \chi [\mu\text{gr/cm}^2] 10^{-6} \sigma [\text{mbarn}] 10^{-27}}{Z_{\text{proj}} 1.602 A_{\text{targ}}}$$

$$N_{\text{prod}} = \frac{3.76 I(enA) \chi [\mu\text{gr/cm}^2] \sigma [\text{mbarn}]}{Z_{\text{proj}} A_{\text{targ}}}$$

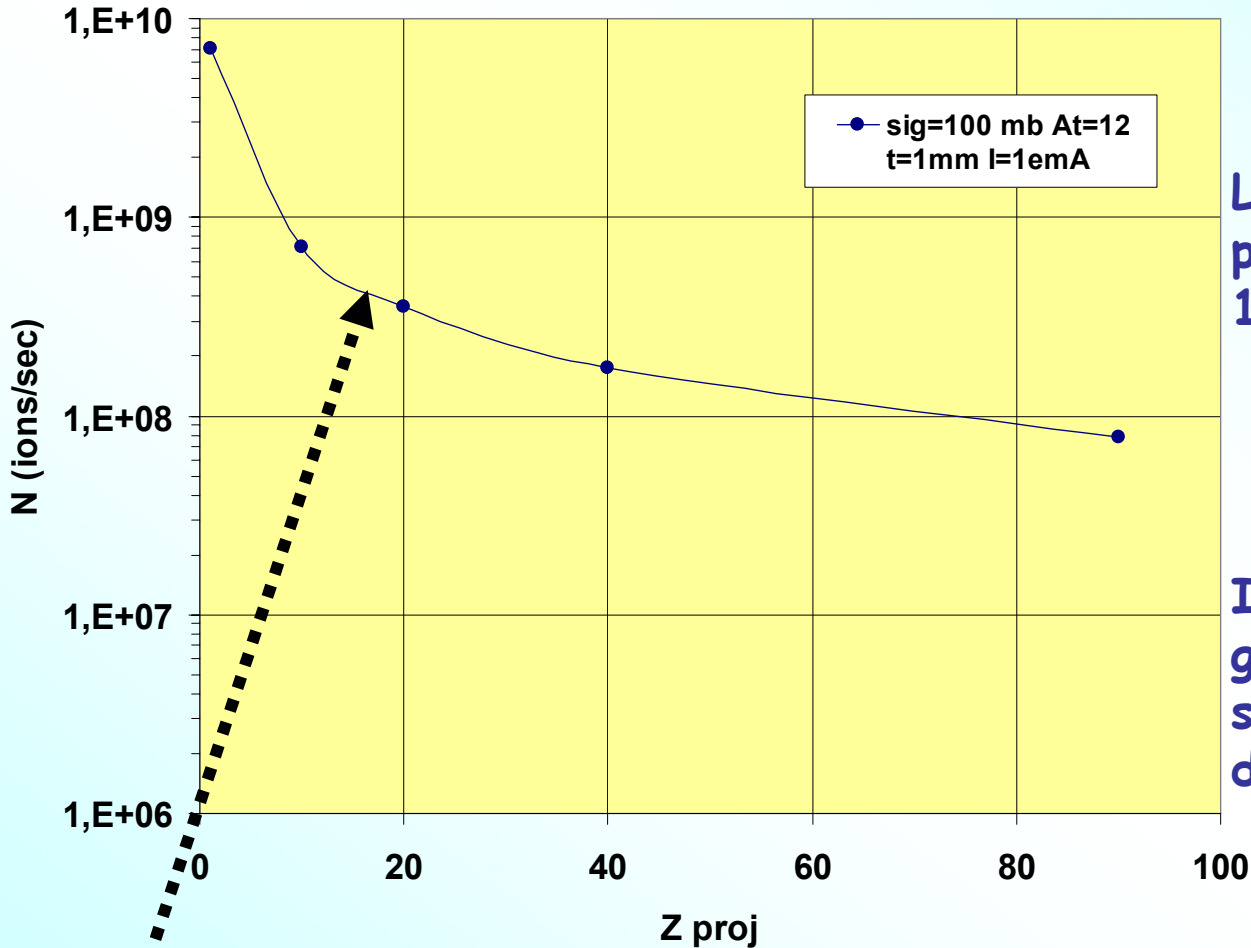
$$\chi [\mu\text{gr/cm}^2] = \rho [\text{gr/cm}^3] t [\mu\text{m}] 10^2$$

Esempio : $\rho = 2 \text{ gr/cm}^3$ $e \rightarrow t = 1 \text{ mm}$

$\chi = 2 \cdot 10^5 \mu\text{gr/cm}^2 = 200 \text{ mg/cm}^2$

N prod vs Zproj

$I = 10 \text{ enA} \rightarrow 0.6 \cdot 10^{11} \text{ protons/sec}$



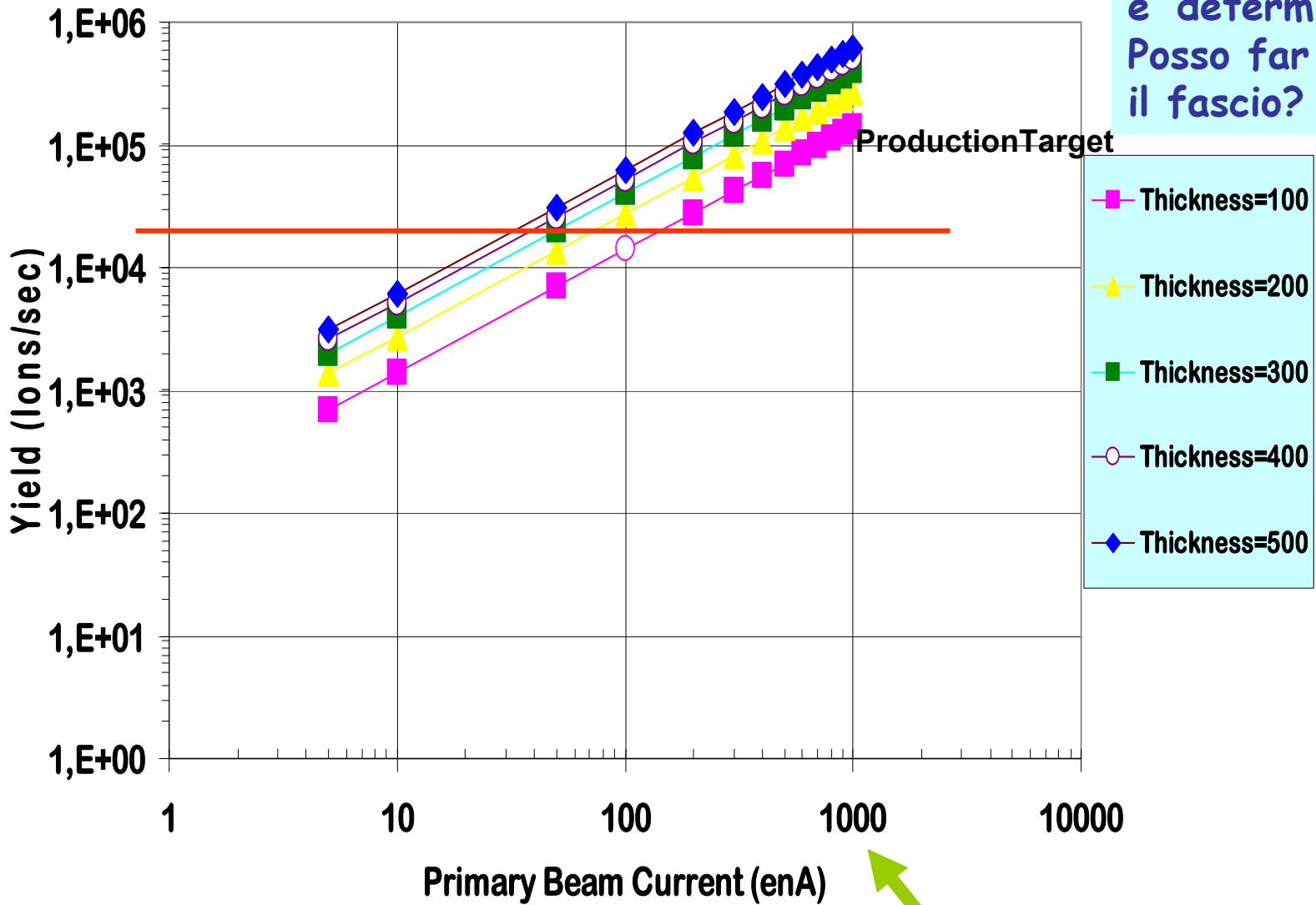
La fisica con i fasci di ioni pesanti si fa con intensita' $10^9 - 10^{11}$ ioni al secondo

I fasci secondari di seconda generazione con 10^8 ioni al secondo potenze dell'ordine di 100 kWatt!

Potenza (W) = $I V = I (\text{Energy/Charge state})$

Es: $I = 1 \text{ mA}$ $E = 50 \text{ A MeV}$ di O^{16} completamente strappato (O^{8+}):
 $P = 1 \cdot 10^{-3} (50 \cdot 16/8) \cdot 10^6 = 100 \text{ kW}$

Cl⁴⁰ production yield in Ar+Be@50 AMeV



Lo spessore del bersaglio e' determinante : Posso far fermare il fascio?

≈ 1 kWatt

Fasci radioattivi prodotti utilizzando ioni pesanti

- Con ioni pesanti, dovuto al breve range non posso fare bersagli spessi se voglio utilizzare direttamente i prodotti di reazione
- Se aumento l'energia in modo da poter fare uscire i prodotti dal bersaglio cambiano i meccanismi di produzione !

✓ Quindi a secondo dei nuclei di interesse devo studiare:

1) quale sono le reazioni migliore per produrli (tipo ed energie)

2) l'energie d'interesse alle quali voglio avere i nuclei radioattivi per studiarne le loro caratteristiche eccitandoli con reazioni nucleari

Metodi di produzione

ISOL

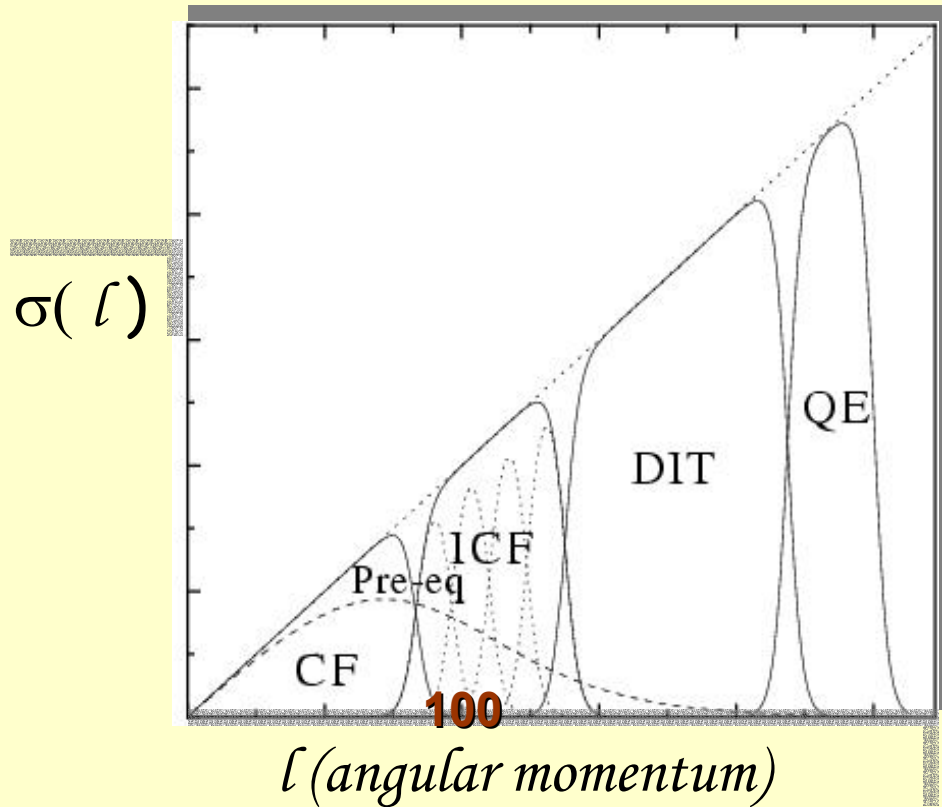
Isotope separation on line

fascio primario p, n, d, ...ioni pesanti di massa intermedia (energie da 10 di MeV fino a GeV)

In flight

Ioni pesanti (medio pesanti - pesanti)
con energie da circa 100 MeV

Reazioni di Produzione

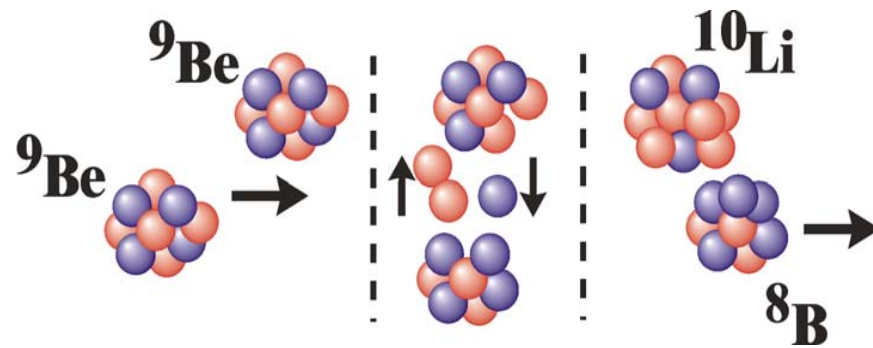
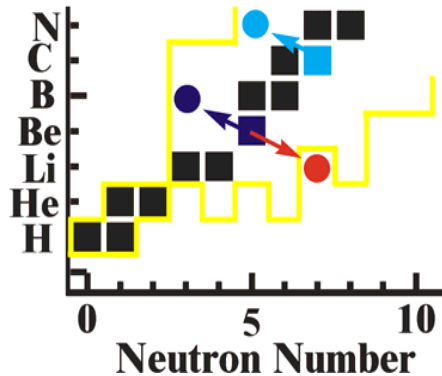
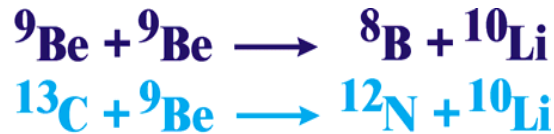


• Bassa Energia (Fusione, Fissione, Reazioni dirette, Deep Inelastic)

• Alta Energia (Frammentazione Proiettile o Targhetta, Spallation, Fissione in volo)

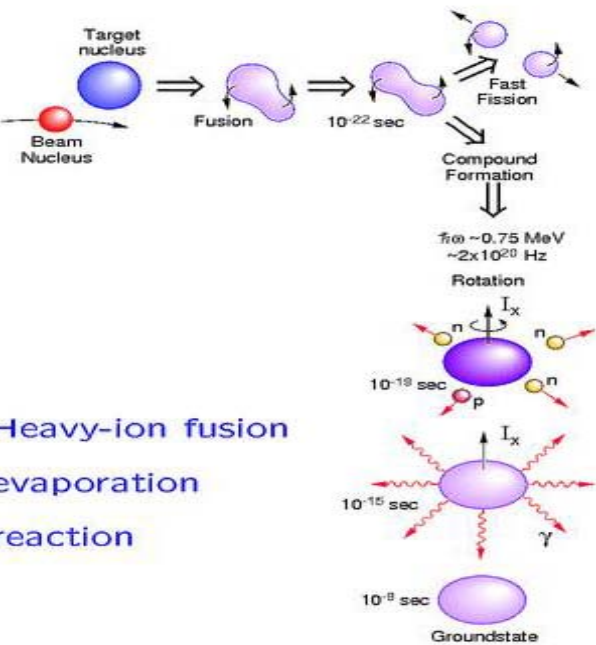
- peripheral elastic and quasi-elastic (QE) collisions
- semi-peripheral deep-inelastic collisions (DIT) collisions
- incomplete (ICF) and complete (CF) fusion in central collisions
- pre-equilibrium emission typically preceding ICF/CF and DIT

Reazioni di Produzione Transfer Reactions



In generale:

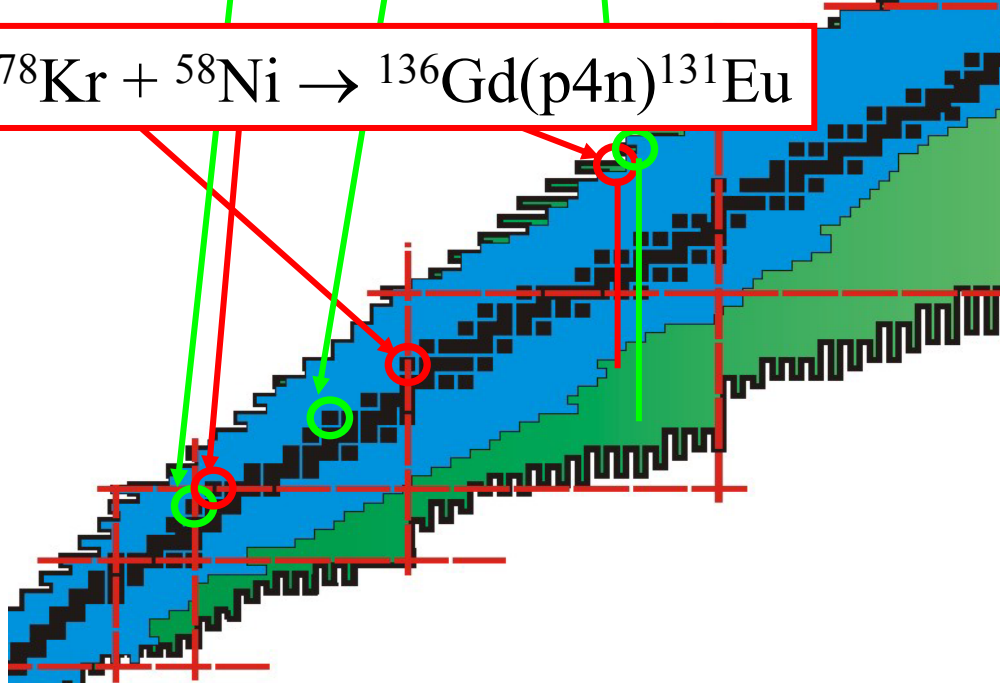
- Piccate ad angoli in avanti
- $\sigma \cong 10^{-1} - 10$ mbarn a 10-50 MeV/u



Heavy-ion fusion
evaporation
reaction

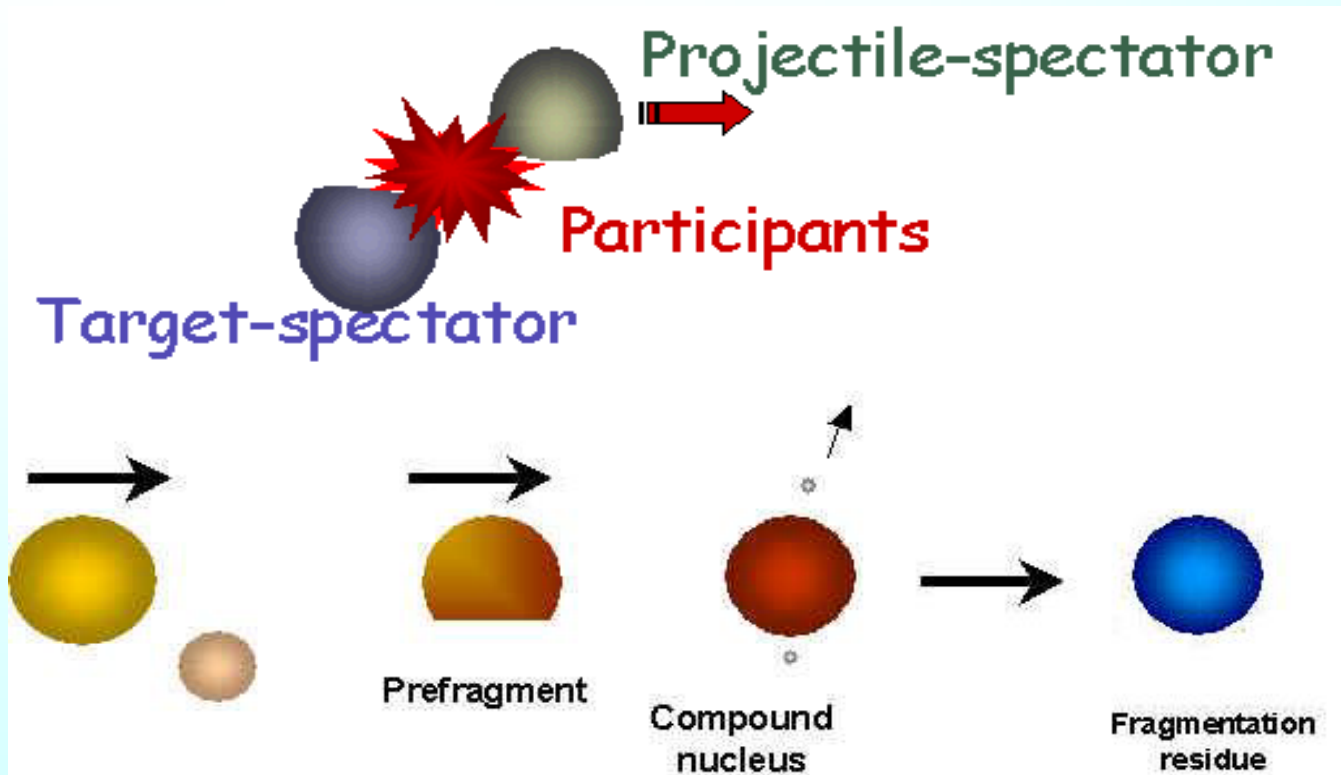
Energie ione stabile
5-15 MeV/u

Reazioni di Produzione: Fusione



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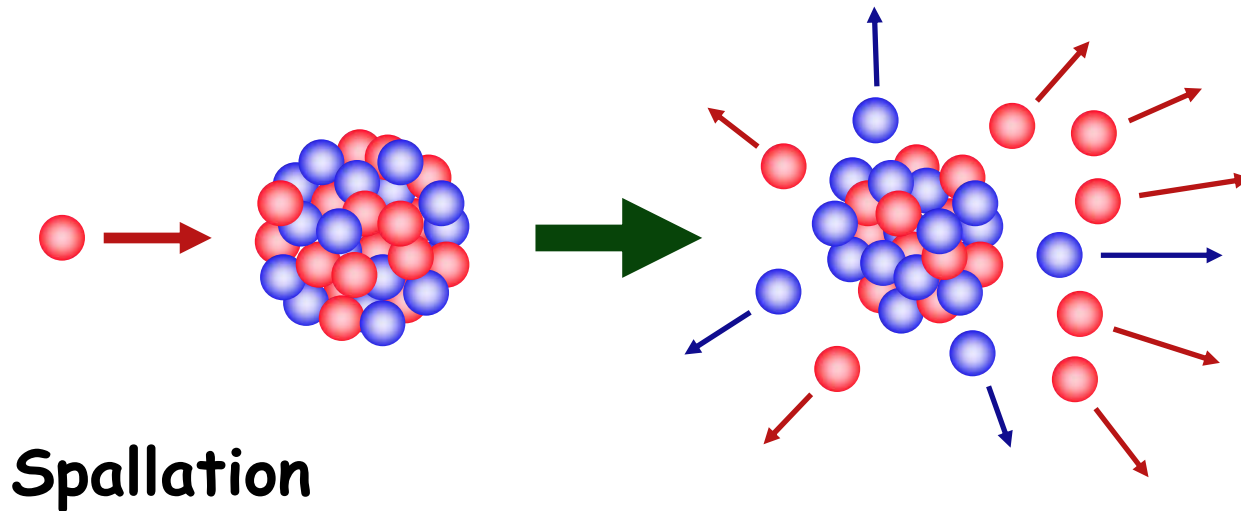
Participant-spectator reactions at relativistic energies (above 100 A MeV)



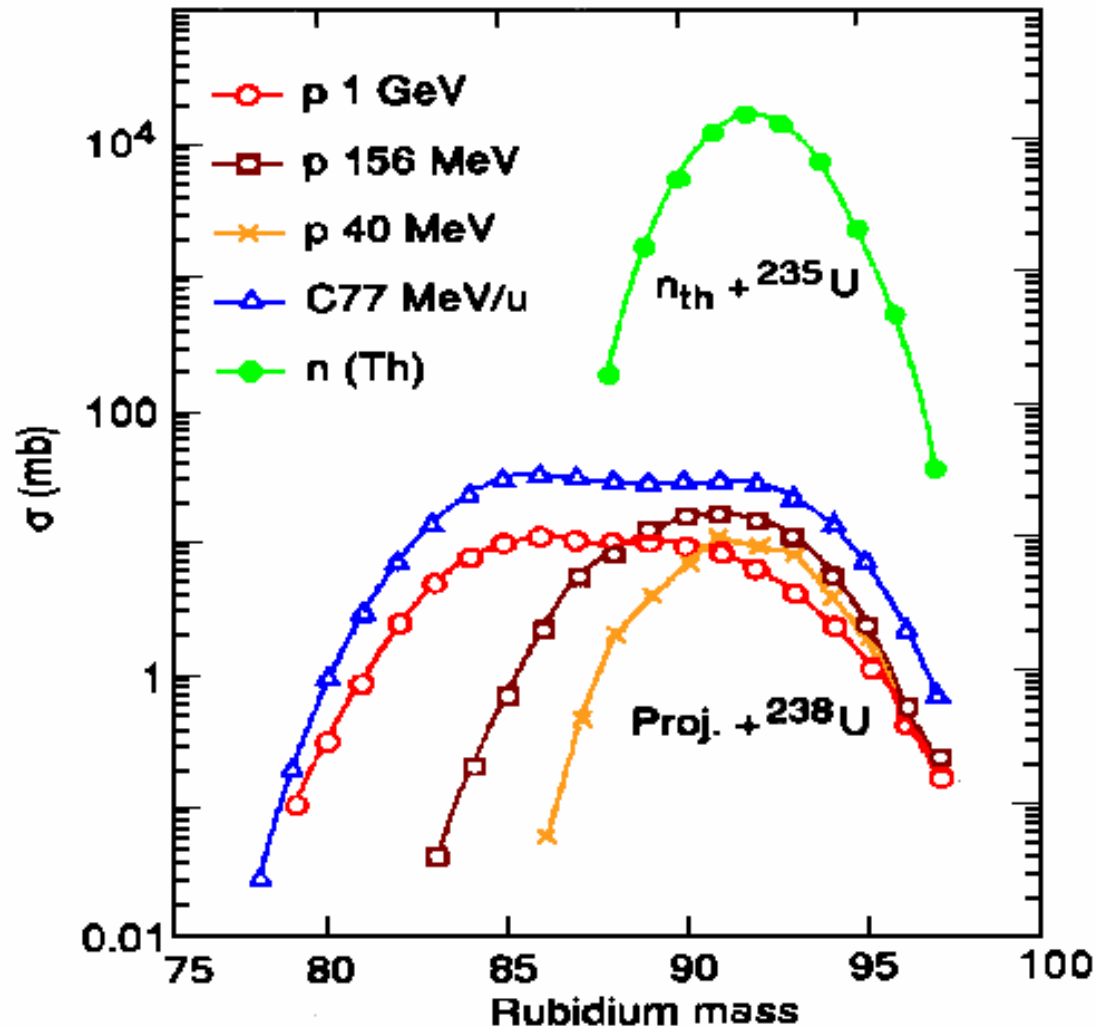
**Reazioni di Produzione
Frammentazione del
Proiettile**

Reazioni di Produzione Frammentazione della Targhetta

Random removal of protons and neutrons from heavy target nuclei by energetic light projectiles (pre-equilibrium and equilibrium emissions).

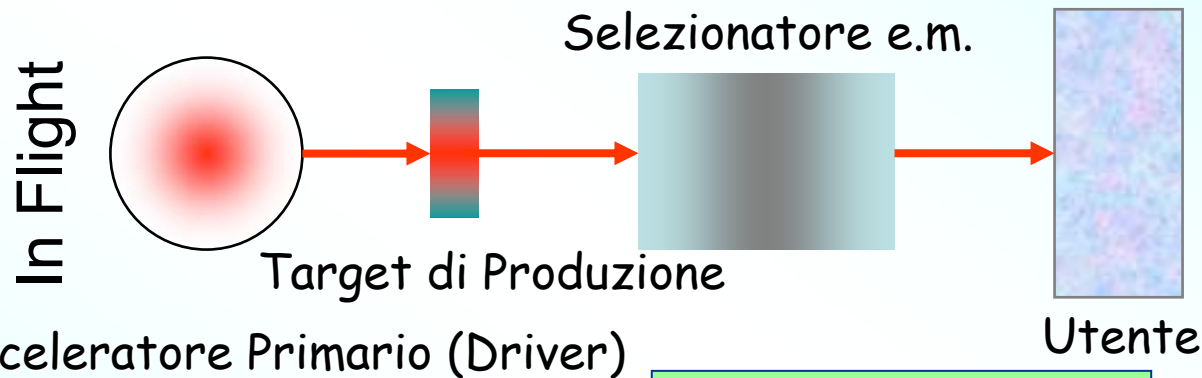


Reazioni di Produzione



Gli isotopi stabili
del Rubidio
hanno
 $A = 85$ e $A = 87$

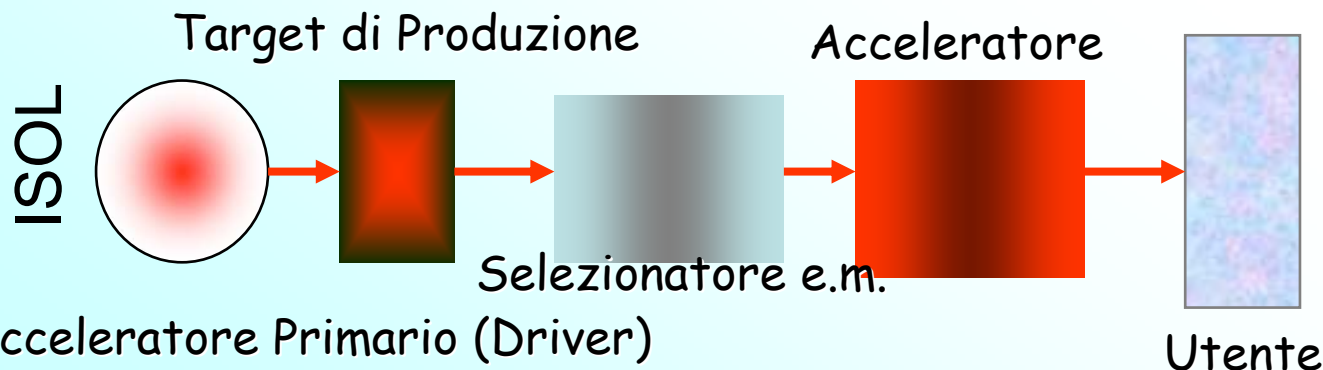
•In-Flight (Fascio prodotto direttamente nella reazione)



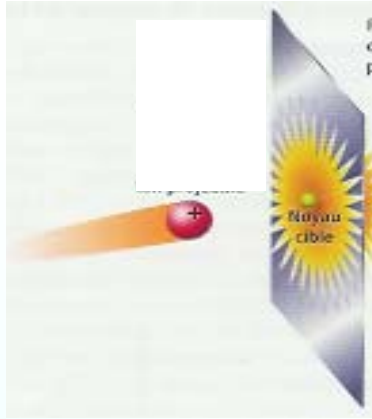
•Degraders
•Tagging

**Metodi
di
Produzione**

•ISOL (Prodotti di reazione accelerati in un secondo acceleratore)



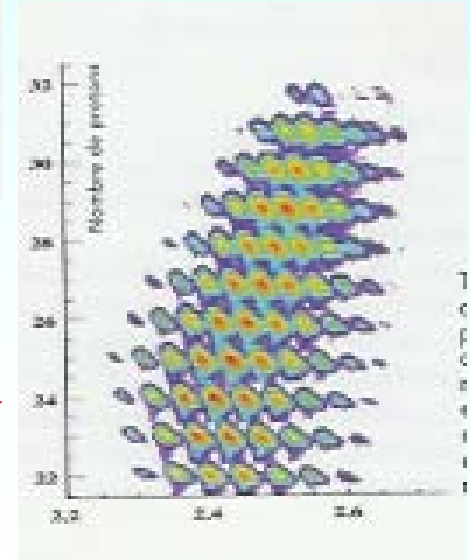
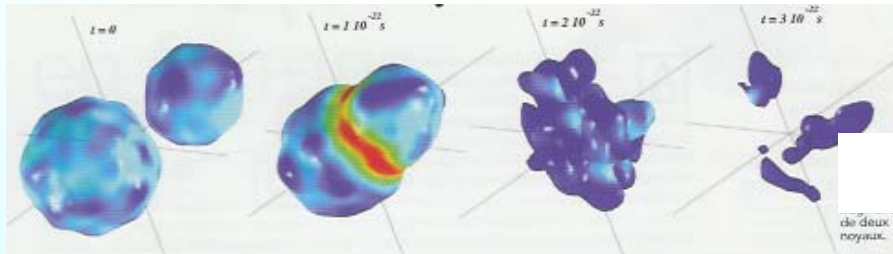
FRAGMENTATION METHOD



Thin target



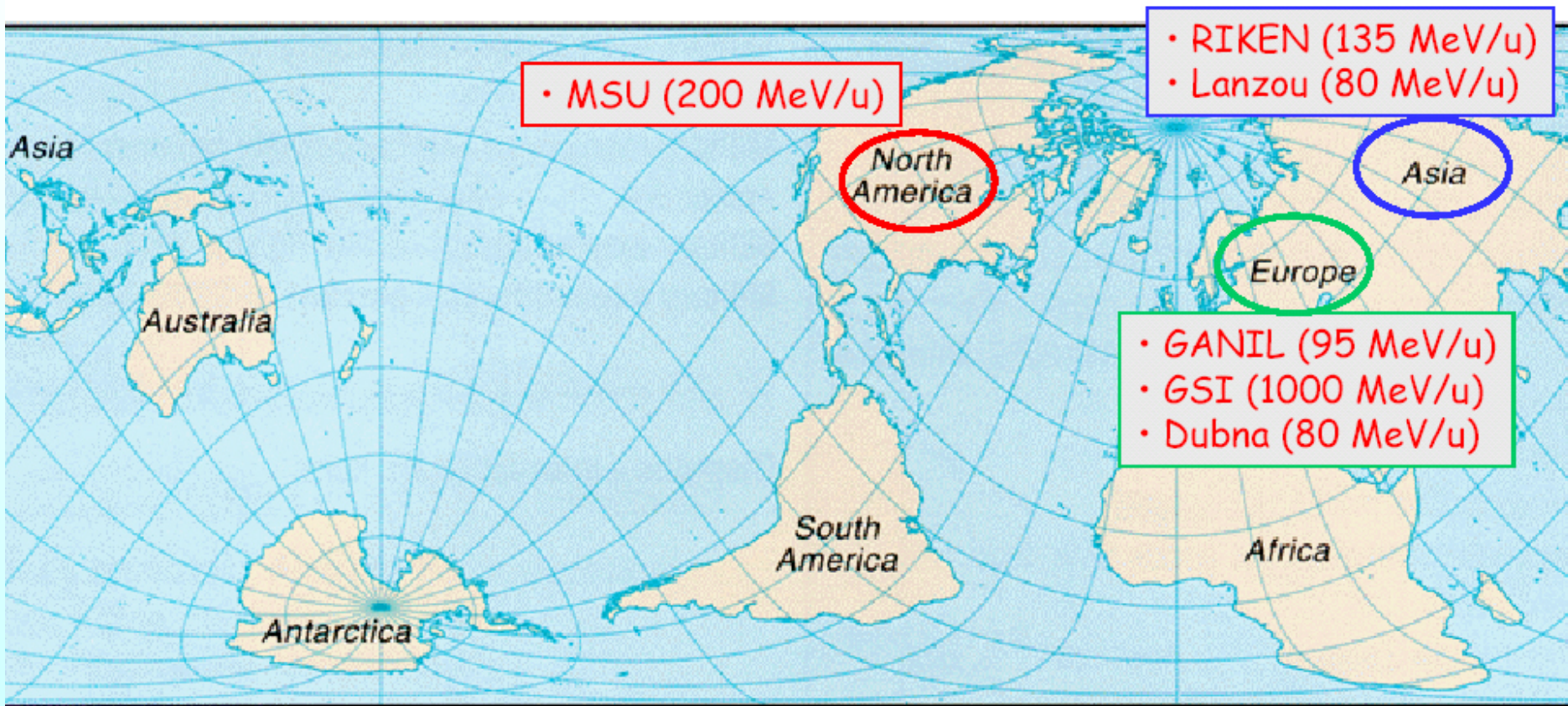
FRAGMENT SEPARATION



High energy beams
Large spot size and beam cocktails
Exotic Nuclei with short lifetimes $< 1\text{ms}$

Existing facilities:
GSI
GANIL
MSU
RIKEN

In-Flight facilities



In Flight

Laboratory Accelerators RIB Separator RIB Energies

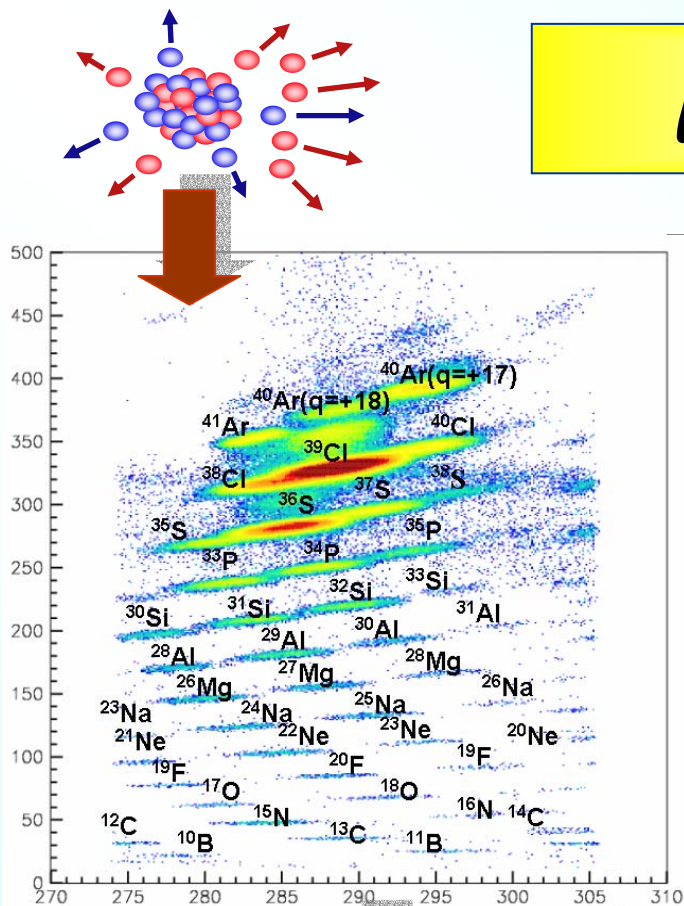
GANIL	C Cycl.	SISSI+LISE	<95 A MeV
NSCL-MSU	C Cycl.s	A1200	<200 A MeV
GSI	SIS	FRS or ESR	<1.2 A GeV
RIKEN	Cycl.	RIPS	<150 A MeV
DUBNA	C Cycl.s	ACCULINNA&COMBAS	<100 A MeV
LANZHOU	Cycl.	RIBLL	<80 A MeV
LNS	Cycl.	FRS-CT	<50 A MeV

Fragment Separators

	$\Delta\Omega$ (msr)	$\Delta P/P$ (%)	MaxB ρ (Tm)	Length (m)
FRIBs	4.0	+/- 1.1	4.0	23
Present	1.1	+/-0.65	2.7	23
GANIL-LISE	1.0	+/-2.5	3.2	18
GSI-FRS	0.7-2.5	+/-1	9-18	74
RIKEN	5.0	+/-3	5.76	21
NSCL-A1200 (A1900)	0.8- 8	+/-1.5	5.4	22
JINR	6.4	+/-1	4.5	14.5

RIBs
IF-Running
Facilities

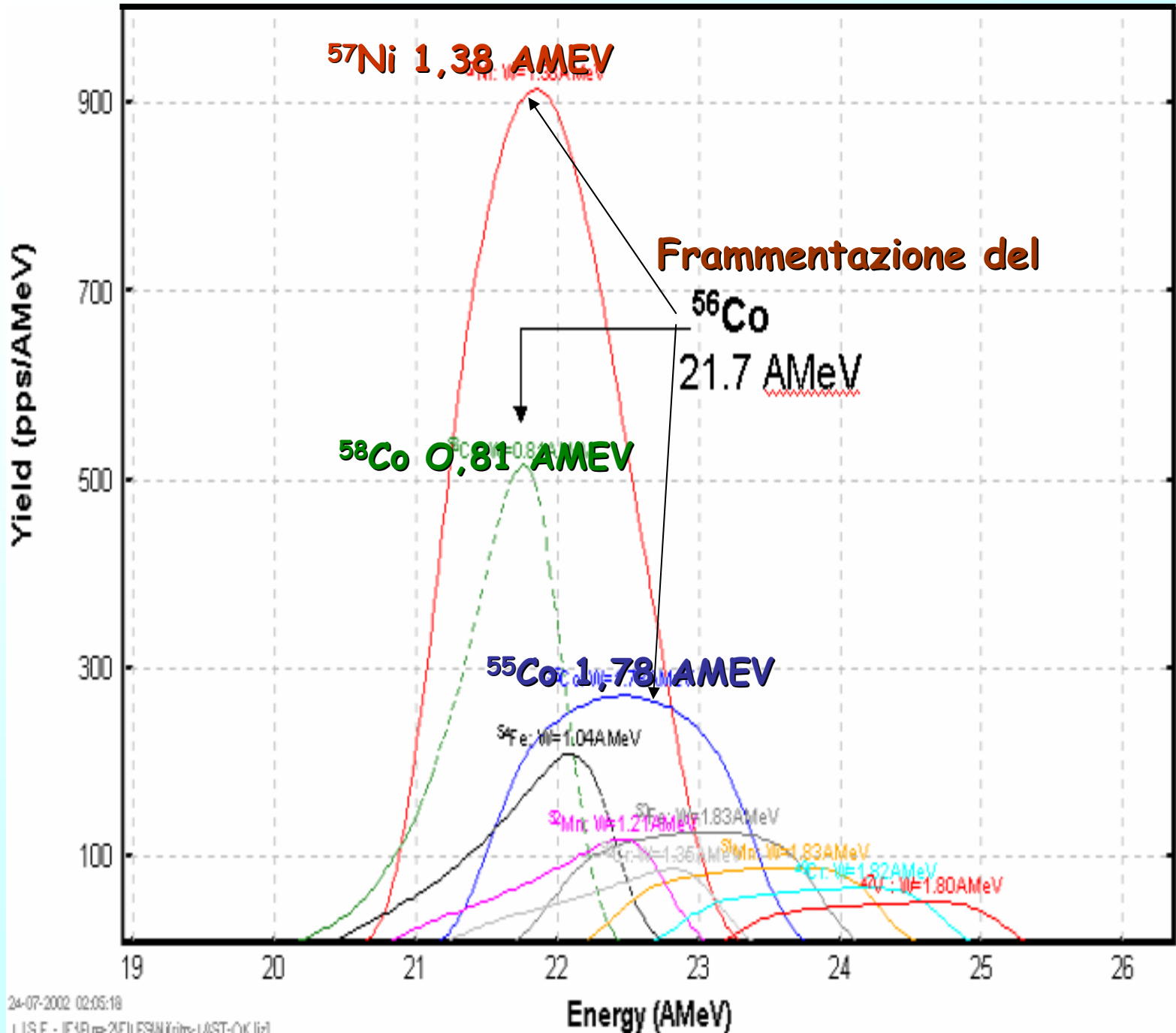
Metodo In-Flight



- Relativi problemi di radioattività
- RIBs con vite medie piccole (<msec)

- RIBs non "monoenergetici"
- Energia fascio dopo la frammentazione → NON REGOLABILE

- Separazione ElettroMagnetica (Cocktail di RIBS)
- Uso di "Degrader"

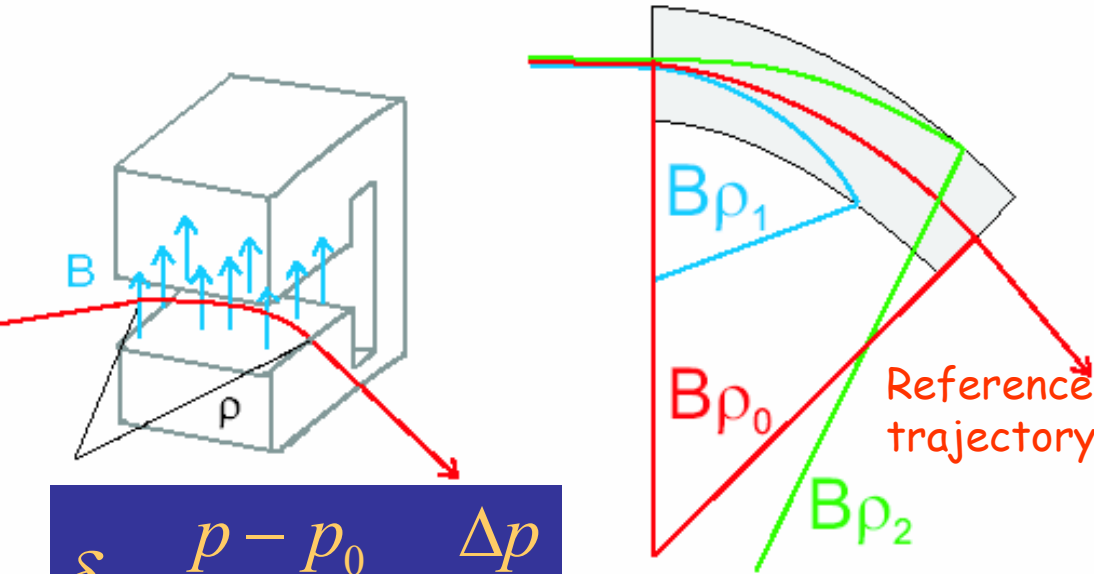


Magnetic Dipole

✓ A dipole is the ion-optical equivalent of a prism

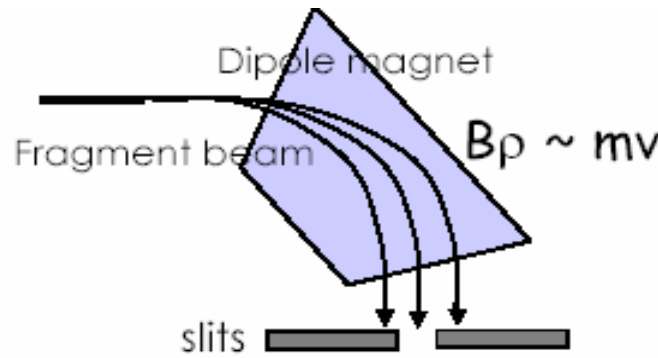
✓ A dipole introduces dispersion, i.e. a relation between momentum and position

✓ A/q selection with a certain acceptance in momentum width



$$\delta = \frac{p - p_0}{p_0} = \frac{\Delta p}{p_0}$$

DIPOLE SELECTION



Reference momentum

$$F = qvB = \frac{mv^2}{\rho}$$

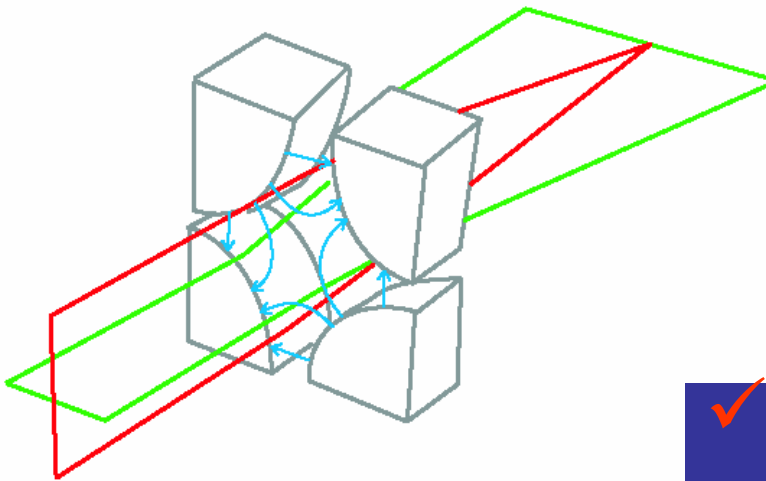
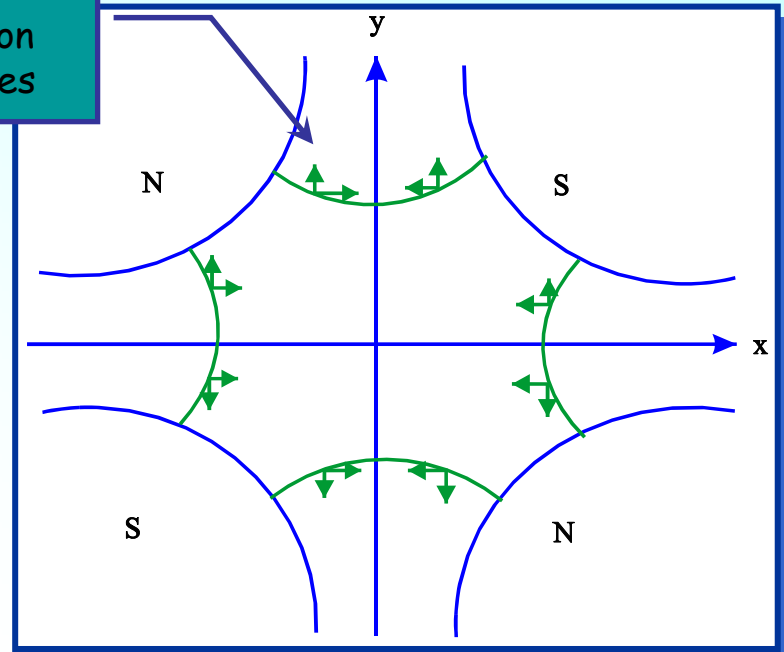
$$B\rho = \frac{mv}{q} = \frac{p}{q} = \frac{Av}{qc^2}$$

Magnetic rigidity: $B\rho = 3.3356 \cdot p$ [T·m] (if p is in [GeV/c])

Quadrupole

- ✓ On the x-axis (horizontal) the field is vertical and given by: $B_y \propto x$
- ✓ On the y-axis (vertical) the field is horizontal and given by: $B_x \propto y$

Force on particles

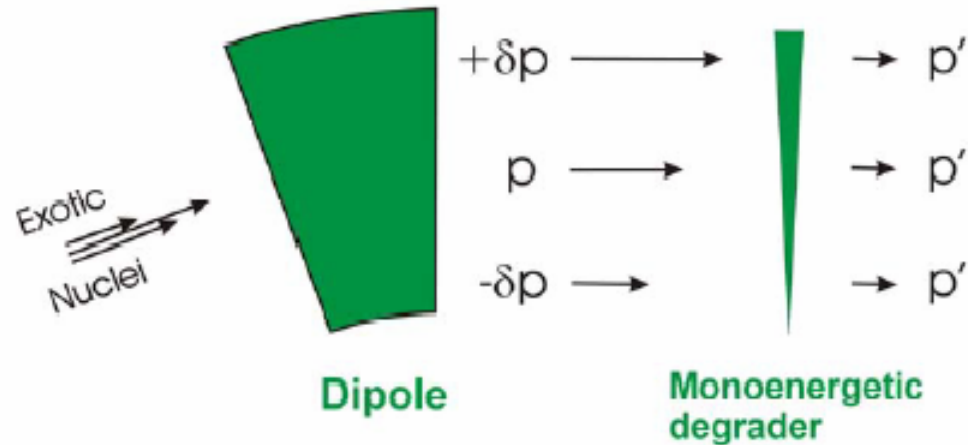


- ✓ It focuses the beam horizontally and defocuses the beam vertically.

- ✓ Rotating this magnet by 90° will give a vertical focusing and an horizontal defocusing

Degrader

$$B\rho = \frac{Av}{qc^2}$$



- ✓ Located in an intermediate focal plane on the beam line
- ✓ Better separation of isotopes with the same A/q ratio
- ✓ Reduction of "contaminants"
- ✓ The relative energy loss in the degrader is given by:

$$\frac{dE}{E} \approx eK \frac{A^3}{Z^2}$$

With K : constant typical of the degrader
 e : thickness of the degrader

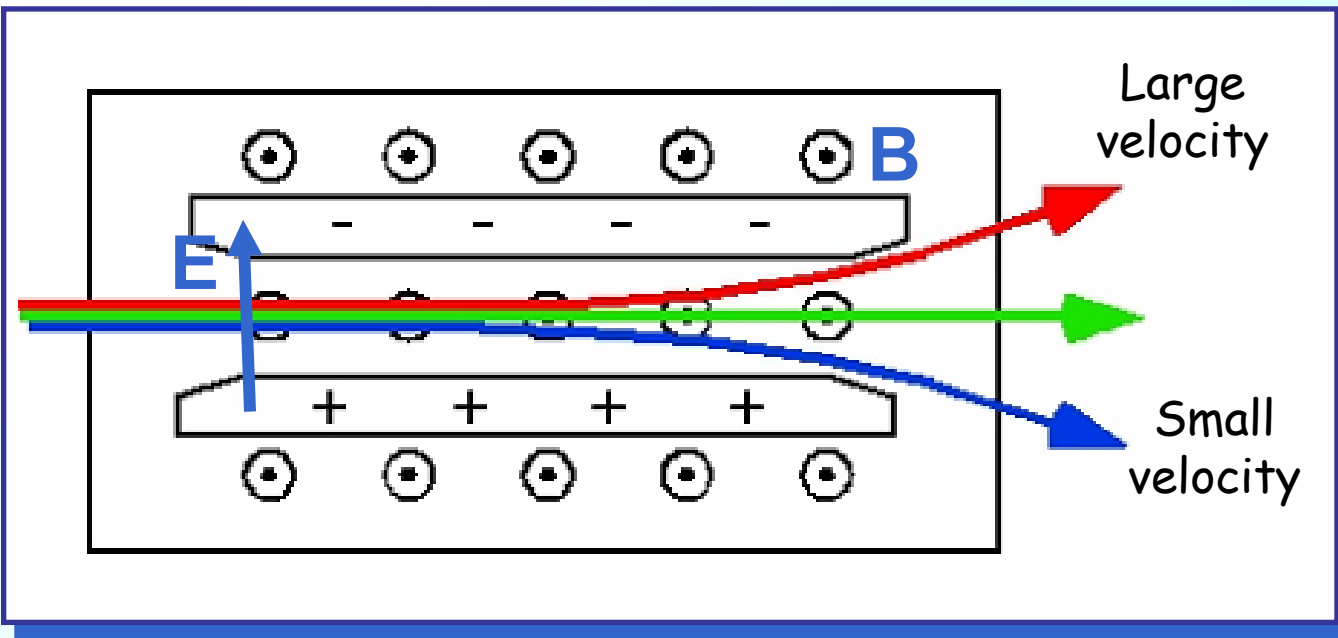
A : nucleus mass
 Z : atomic number

☹ ENERGY STRAGGLING

☹ ANGULAR STRAGGLING

☹ NUCLEAR REACTIONS

↓
INTENSITY LOSS



Wien Filter

✓ For the selected nucleus the forces due to the two fields compensate each other:

$$qE = qvB \quad v = \frac{E}{B}$$

- ✓ The other ions are deviated
- ✓ No p dispersion



Obiettivo principale con il metodi in-flight e' quello di **separare** il maggior numero di nuclei prodotti nella reazione di frammentazione dal fascio primario :

Separatore acromatico (focalizza nello stesso punto indipendentemente p)

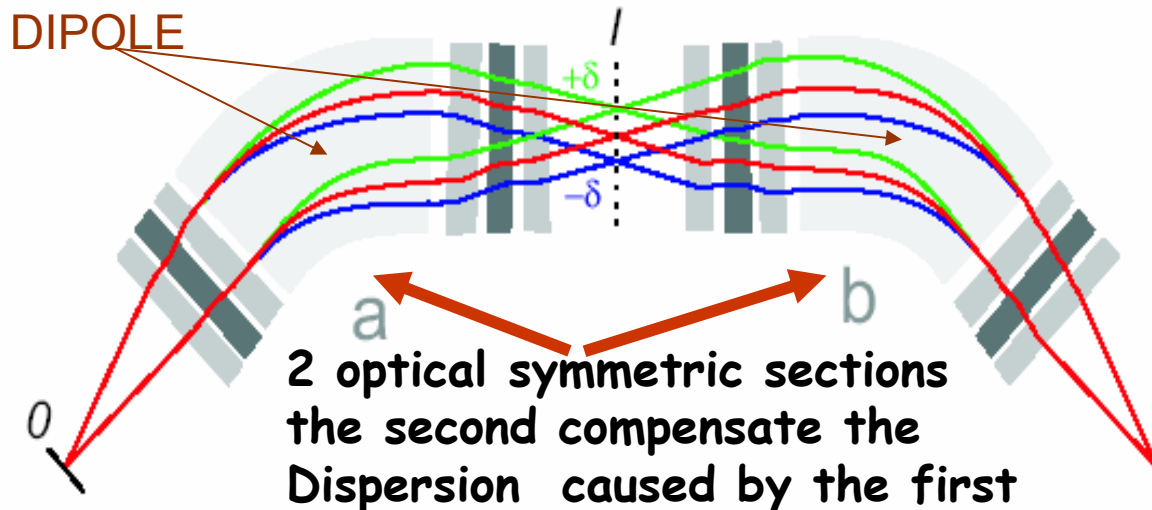
Selezionare un particolare A/Q

Achromatic Fragment Separator

WHAT WE WANT

- ✓ filter the nuclei of interest from other fragment
- ✓ collect as much as possible the nuclei of interest
- ✓ Produce an **achromatic image** of the primary beam spot for further transport through other beam lines
- ✓ **ACHROMATIC**: the total dispersion is zero

All nuclei produced on target entering the magnet are focussing on the same point

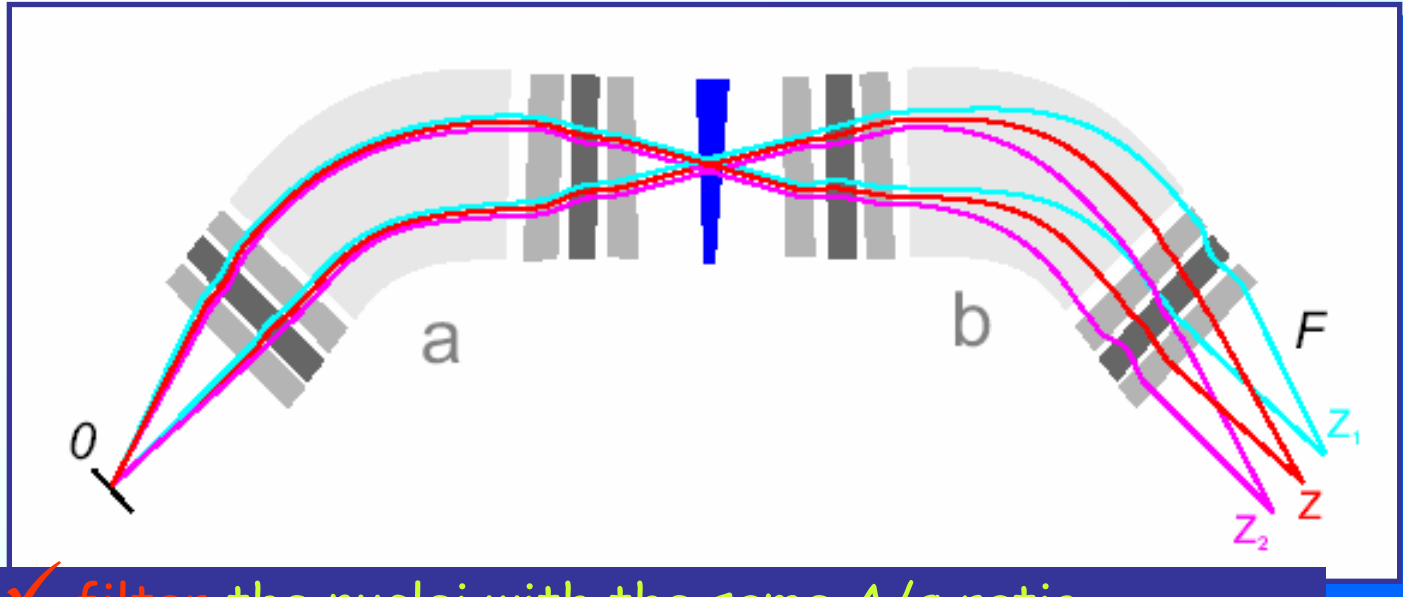


One-to-one image of the beam on target at the final focus

I nuclei che viaggiano in una fissata direzione prodotti dalle reazioni di frammentazione sono caratterizzati dall'aver diversi valori di Z

Voglio separare i diversi Z !

Wedge selection



- ✓ filter the nuclei with the same A/q ratio
- ✓ preserve the achromaticity of the separator



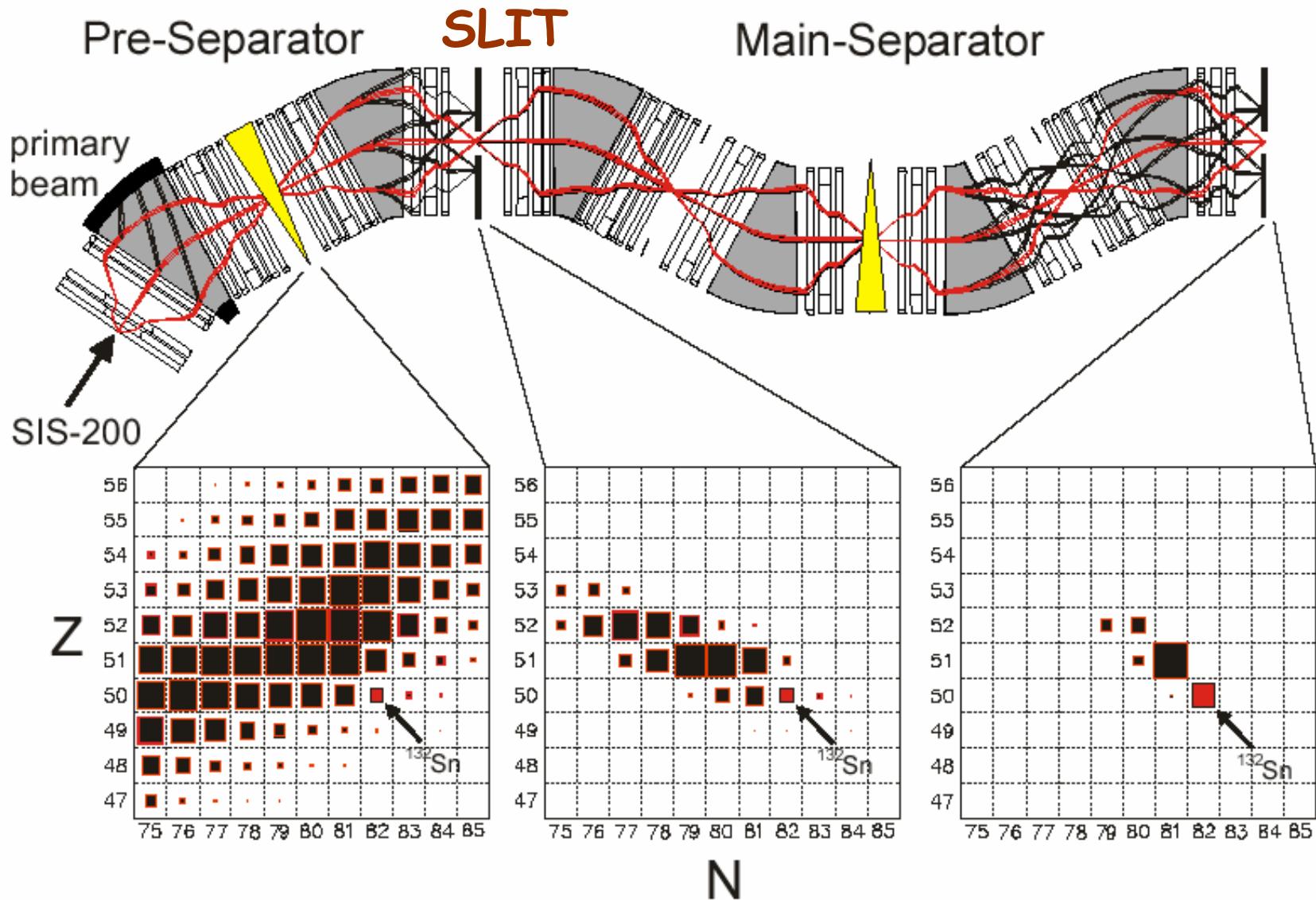
WEDGE SHAPED

$$\frac{dE}{E} \cong eK \frac{A^3}{Z^2}$$

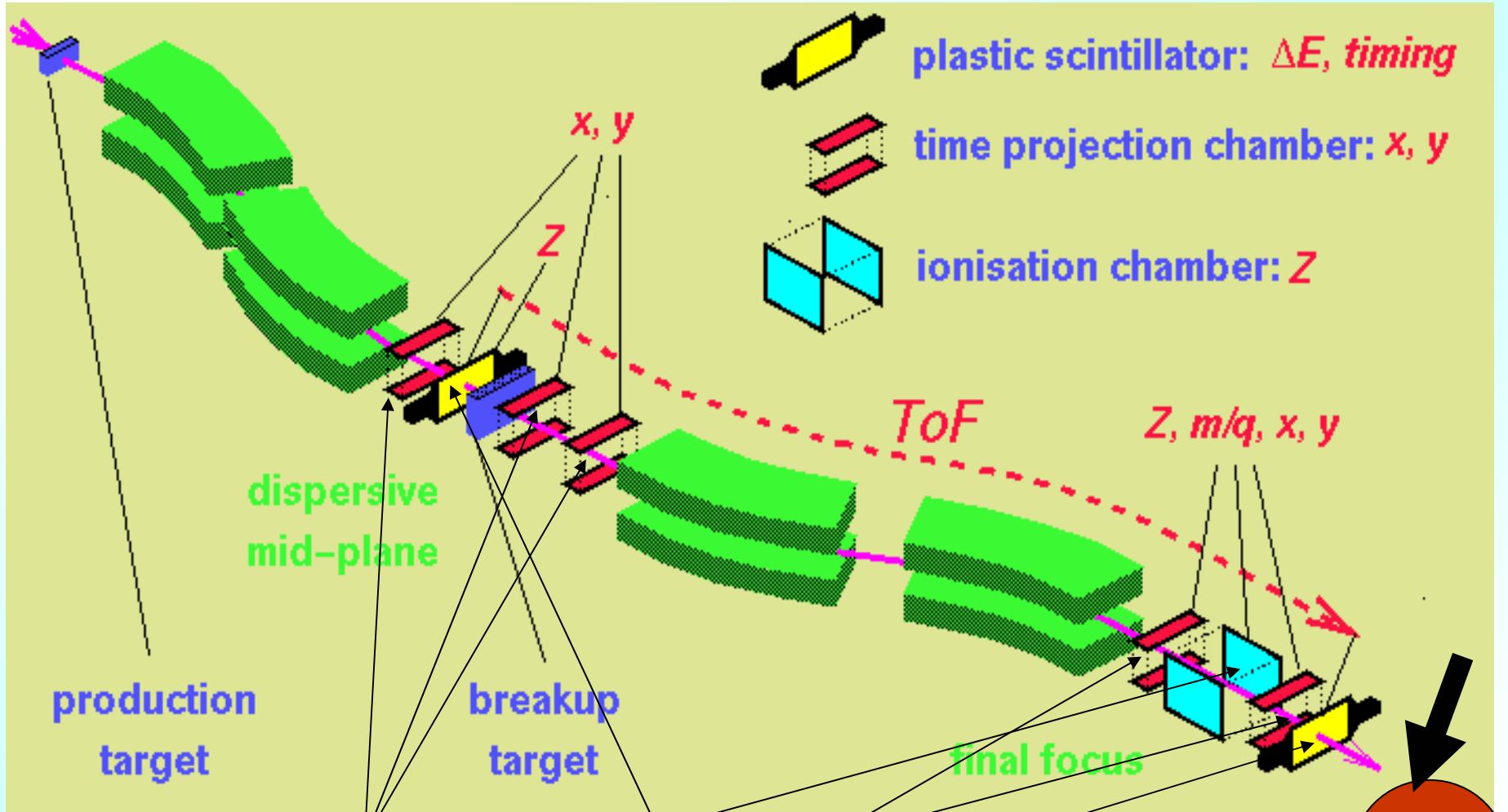
Thicker degrader at the high velocity side
Thinner degrader at the lower velocity side

Non voglio uccidere la dipendenza di dE/E da Z a causa del fatto che $dE/dx(E)$

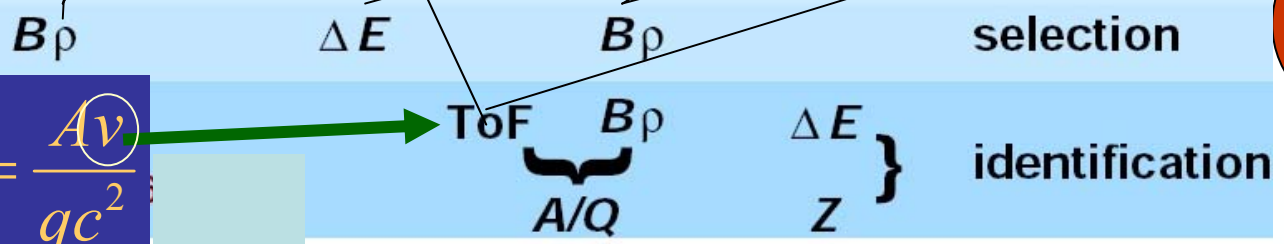
GSI Fragment separator



FSR@GSI :



$$B\rho = \frac{mv}{q} = \frac{p}{q} = \frac{Av}{qc^2}$$



MISURE A GSI :

SET up RISING Rare ISotope INvestigation at GSI

Campagne di Misure

Spettroscopia gamma con fasci fermati in un bersaglio :

Limitato a studi di **stati isomerici** (con vite medie di microsecondi)

Ricerca di stati isomerici

(dovuti a eccitazioni che coinvolgono molti nucleoni)

Misure dei fattori giromagnetici

Spettroscopia gamma con fasci a energie 100-600 MeV/u

Eccitazione Coulombiana:

Stati vibrazionali di natura quadrupolare

Stati vibrazionali nuovi dovuti all'oscillazione dipolare della pelle di neutroni

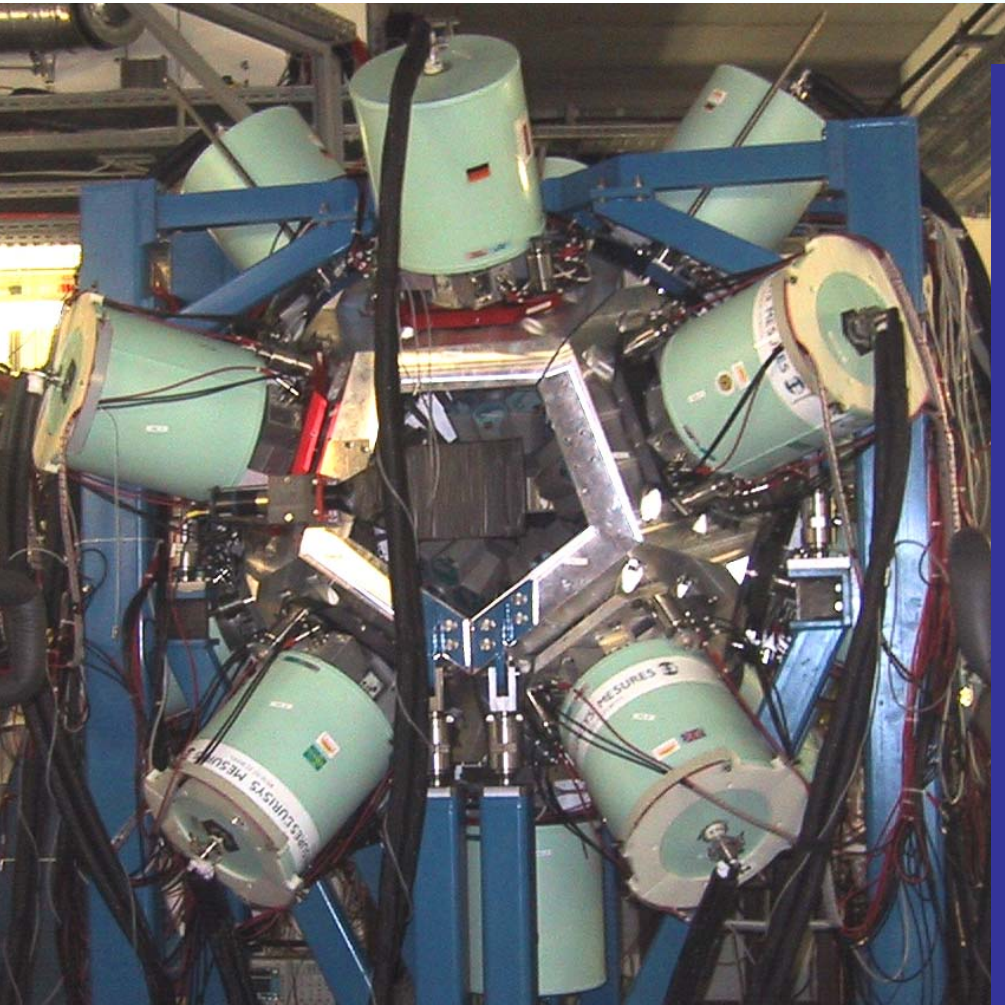
(Pygmy resonances)

Frammentazione :

Stati eccitati di nuclei speculari con $T > 1$. Misura della mirror energy difference

Stopped Rising Array @ GSI:

high efficiency high granularity array



15 Euroball IV cluster
→ 105 crystals at 22cm

Efficiency ~12% at 1.3MeV

Electronic 2 branch :

Digital one (energy and time) :

XIA-DGF-4C (clock 25ns)

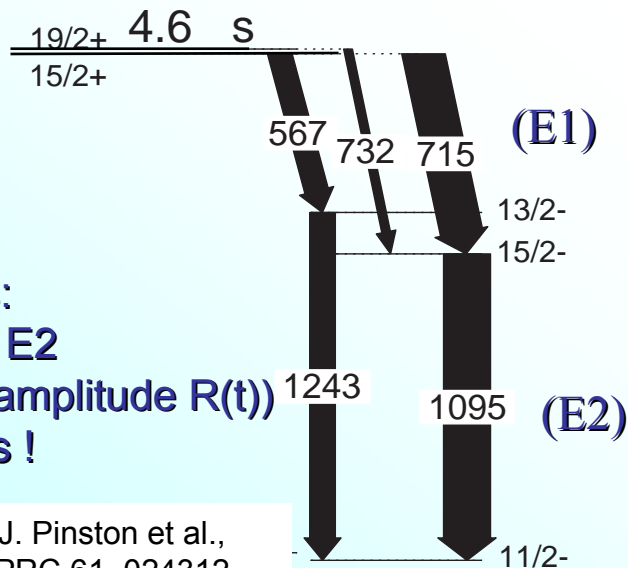
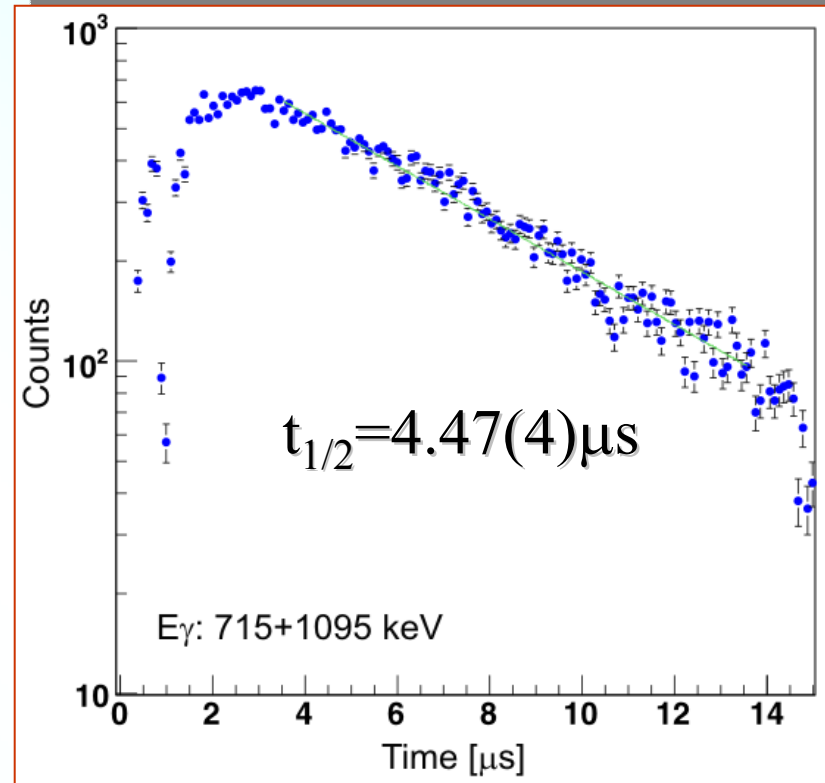
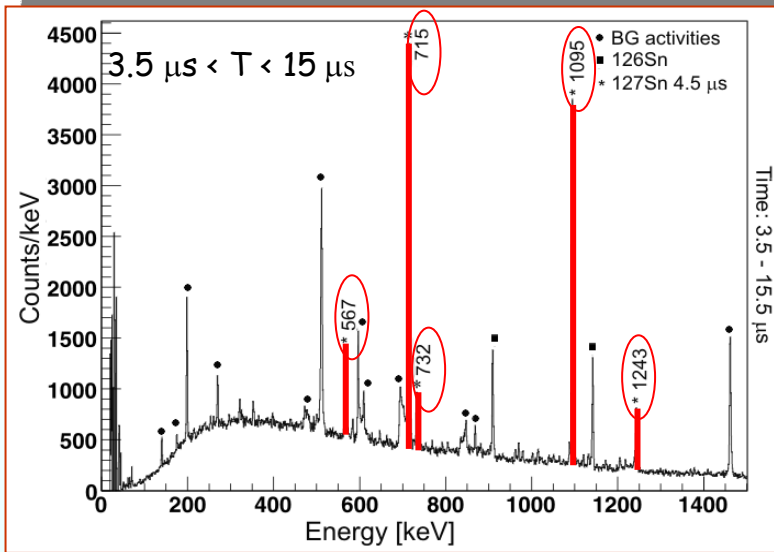
→ <3keV resolution (exp cond)

→ Particle- γ correl up to 400ms

Analogue branch (time) :

TFA+CFD+TDC for shorter
isomers (0.3 ns/channel)

The case of ^{127}Sn : lifetime analysis for the $19/2^+$ isomer



For R(t) analysis:

IF pure E1 and E2

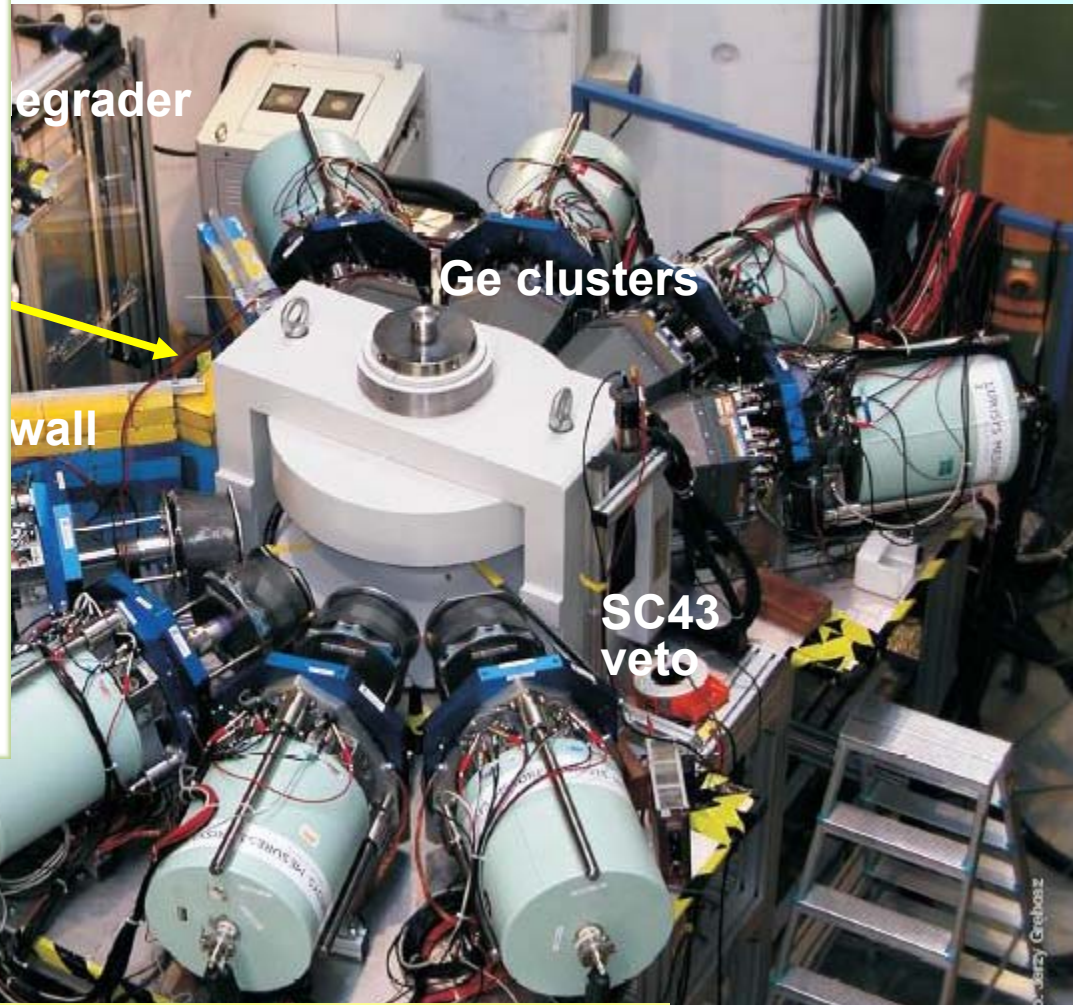
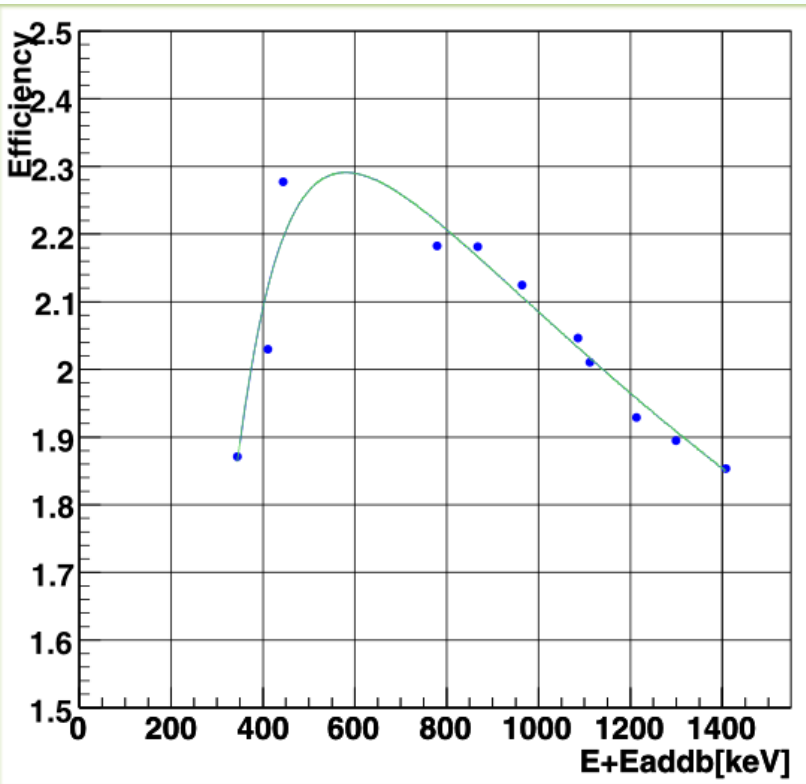
→ similar A_2 (~amplitude R(t))

→ add statistics !

J. Pinston et al.,
PRC 61, 024312
(2000)

Total counts	Field up	Field down
715 keV $A_2 = -0.44$ (15/2+ → 15/2-)	12790	12937
1095 keV $A_2 = -0.39$ (15/2- → 11/2-)	12137	12613

Experimental set-up at the fragment separator FRS @ GSI



4 clusters with BGO anticompton shields and short collimators
4 clusters with the former RISING shields
Total efficiency (Eu source) = 1.9 – 2.3 %



Why measure g-factors at the FRS with RISING

- (a) **g-factors, magnetic dipole moment $\mu=g.I$ (in unit of μ_N)**
→ information about the nuclear single particle structure:
 wave function, spin, magnetic dipole operator, ...
→ A probe to changes in nuclear shell structure far from stability
- (b) **spin-alignment - in relativistic fission of ^{238}U**
 - for projectile fragmentation beams with $Z>30$
→ never experimentally proven !

→ neutron rich nuclei become accessible for moments studies

WHY AT THE FRS ?

- = unique facility to study g-factors and quadrupole moments
of **spin-aligned isomeric beams** hardly or not accessible at other places:
- lifetime range 100 ns - 50 μs (not at ISOL facilities)
 - in neutron rich nuclei with mass $A>70$
 (not with intermediate energy fragmentation)
 (not with fusion-evaporation)

Method: Time Differential Perturbed Angular Distribution (TDPAD)

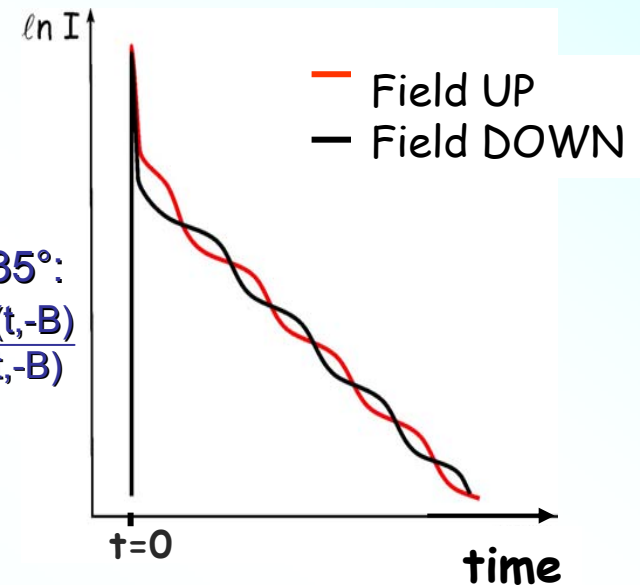
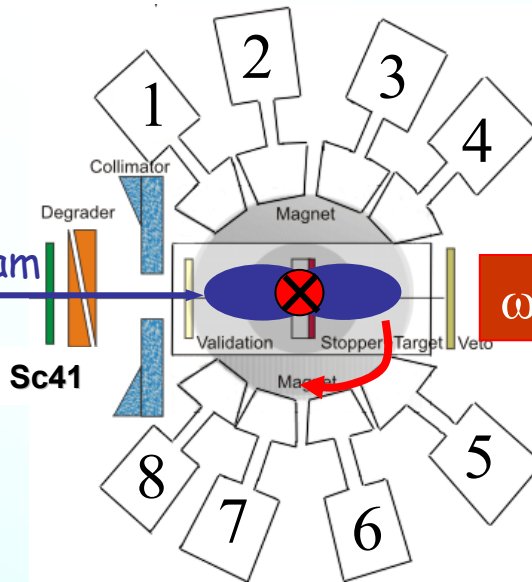
Measure isomeric decay (τ) + Larmor precession ω_L :

$$I(\theta, t) \sim e^{-t/\tau} (1 - A P_2[\cos(\theta - \omega_L t)])$$

Start ($t=0$): ion arrives in Sc41
 Stop: γ detected in 1 ... 8
 time range: 15 μ s

$$\omega_L = -g\mu_N B/\hbar$$

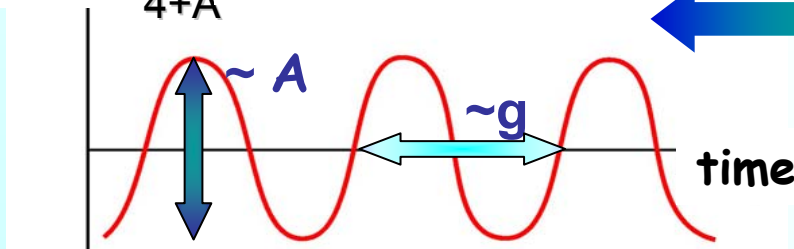
$B=0.700(7)$ T



detectors at $\pm 45^\circ$ and $\pm 135^\circ$:

$$R_i(t) = \frac{I_i(t, +B) - I_i(t, -B)}{I_i(t, +B) + I_i(t, -B)}$$

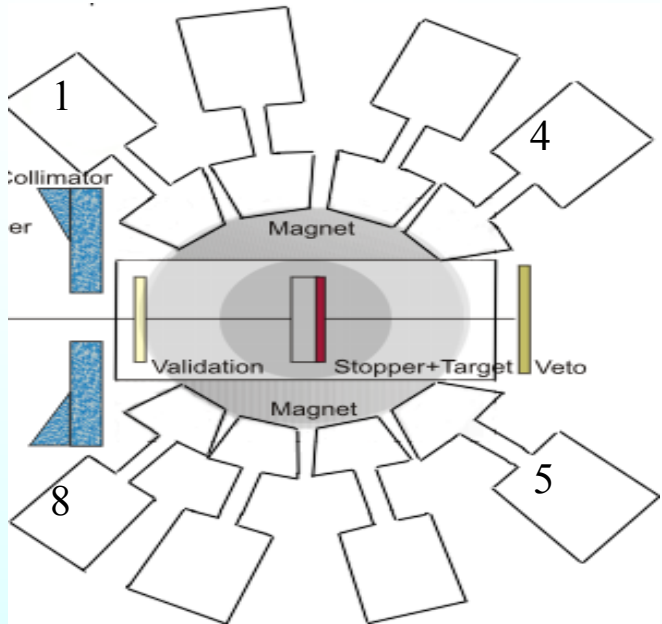
$$R(t, \pm B) = \frac{3A}{4+A} \sin(2\omega_L t)$$



Phase depends on g-factor and detector position (θ)

→ need to consider this to construct $R(t)$ with all detectors !!!

The case of ^{127}Sn : R(t) analysis for the 4.5 μs isomer

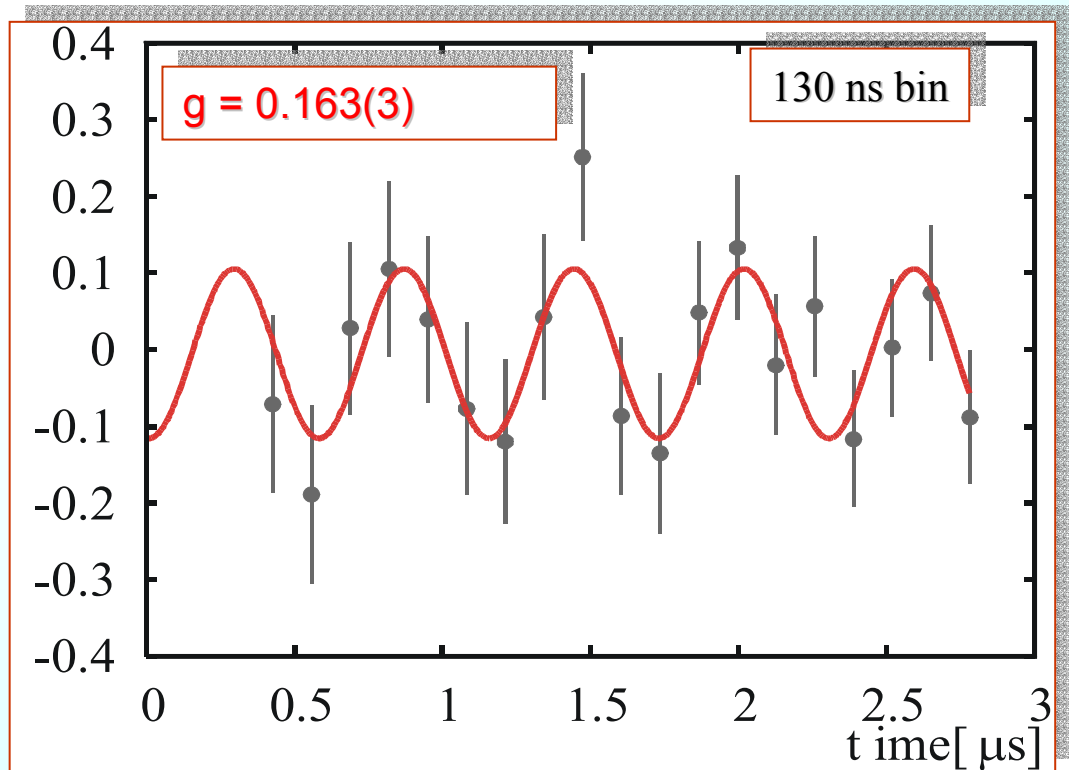


detectors at $\pm 45^\circ$ and $\pm 135^\circ$:

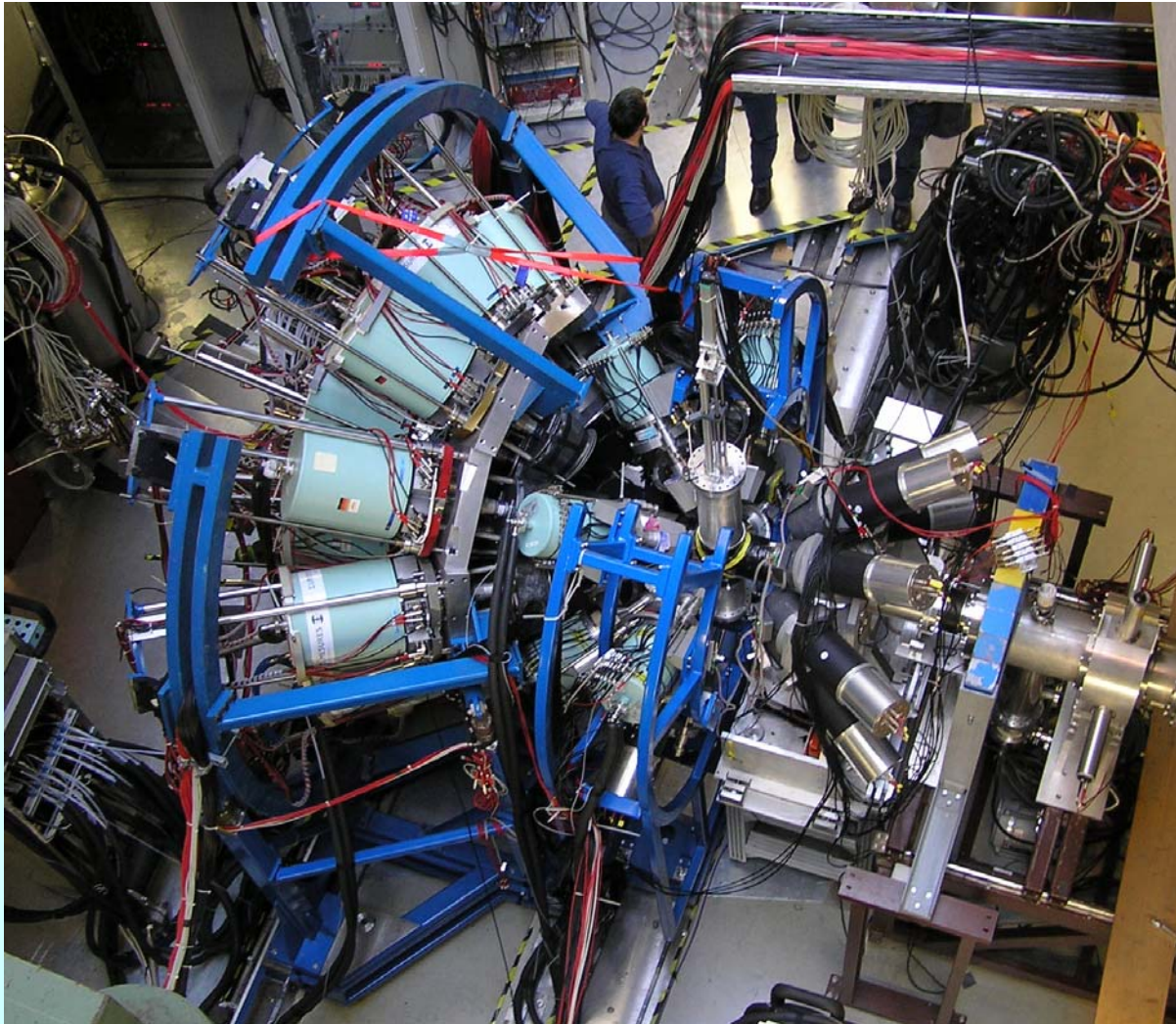
$$R_i(t) = \frac{I_i(t,+B) - I_i(t,-B)}{I_i(t,+B) + I_i(t,-B)}$$



→ Apply autocorrelation analysis to fold back statistics from the full 15 μs range into 3 μs range



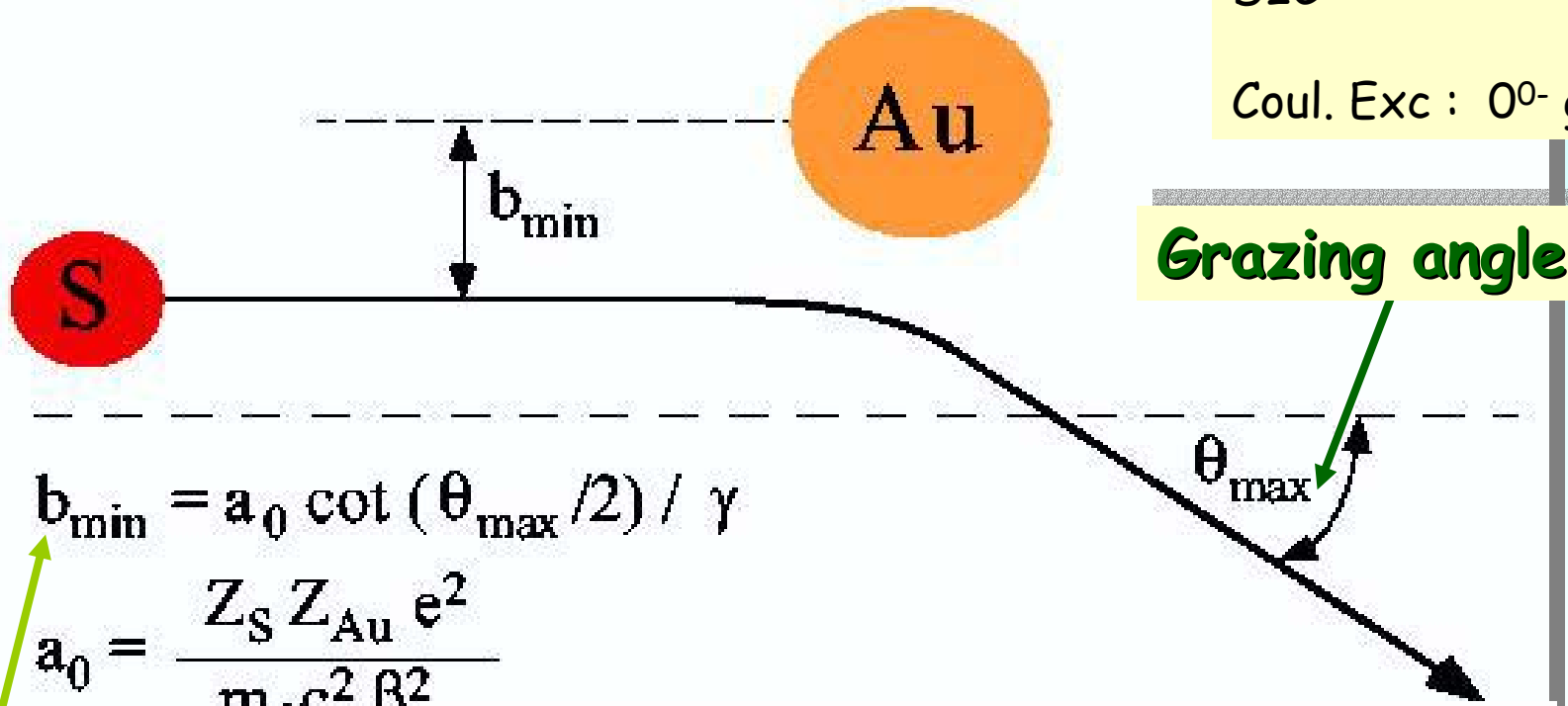
Gamma spectroscopy with RISING



Eccitazione Coulombiana

At angles > than grazing
DIC

Coul. Exc : 0°- grazing



$$b_{\min} = a_0 \cot(\theta_{\max}/2) / \gamma$$

$$a_0 = \frac{Z_S Z_{Au} e^2}{m_0 c^2 \beta^2}$$

$$\vartheta \simeq \frac{2Z_p Z_t e^2}{m_0 c^2 \gamma \beta^2 b} = \frac{2.88 Z_p Z_t [931.5 + T_{\text{lab}}]}{A_p [T_{\text{lab}}^2 + 1863 T_{\text{lab}}]} \frac{1}{b} \quad (\text{rad})$$

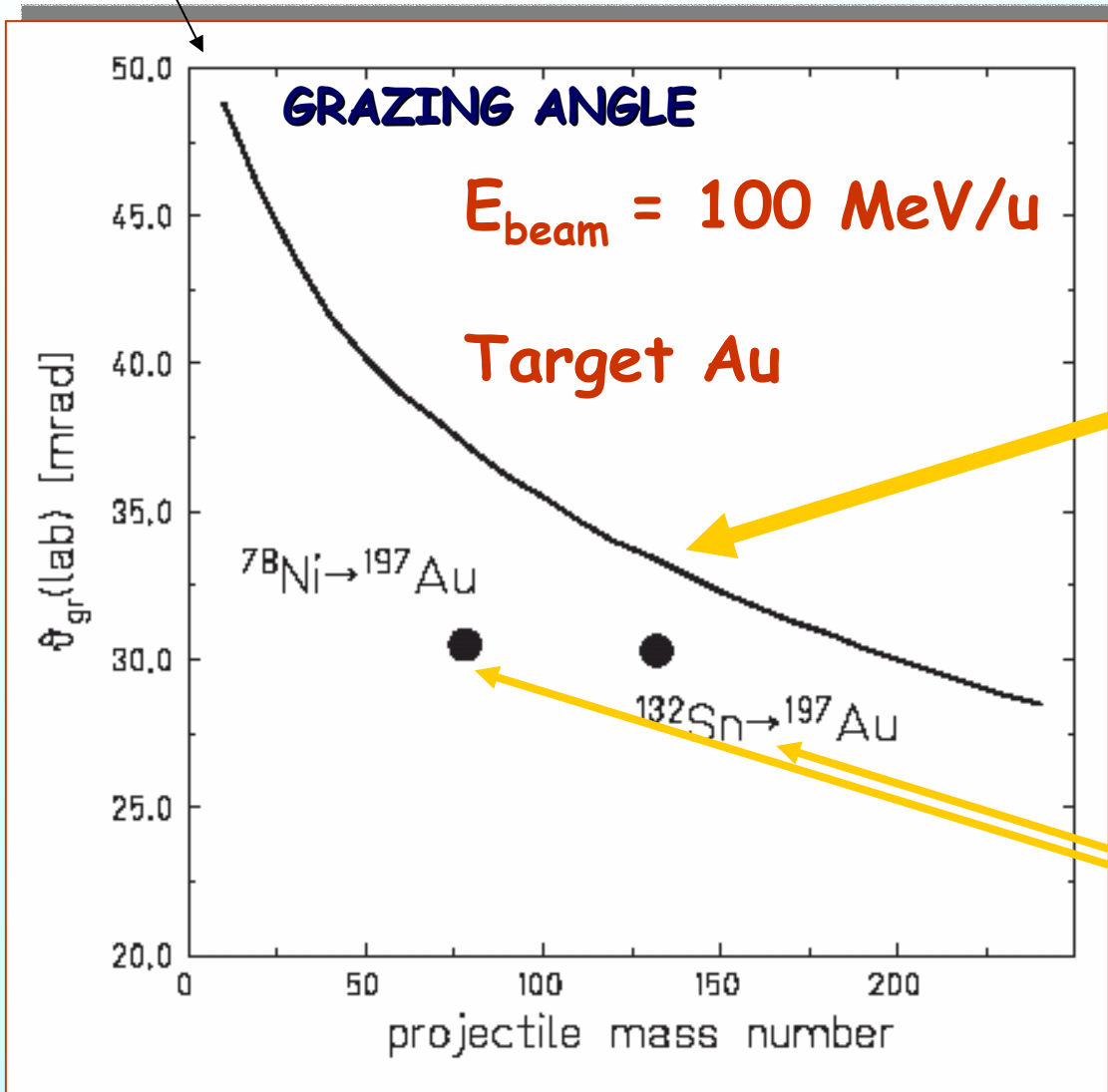
$$R_{\text{int}} = C_p + C_t + 4.49 - \frac{C_p + C_t}{6.35} \quad (\text{fm})$$

$$C = R(1 - 1/R^2)$$

$$R = 1.28 A^{1/3} - 0.76 + 0.8 A^{-1/3}$$

Angular range for detecting reaction products in Coulomb excitation

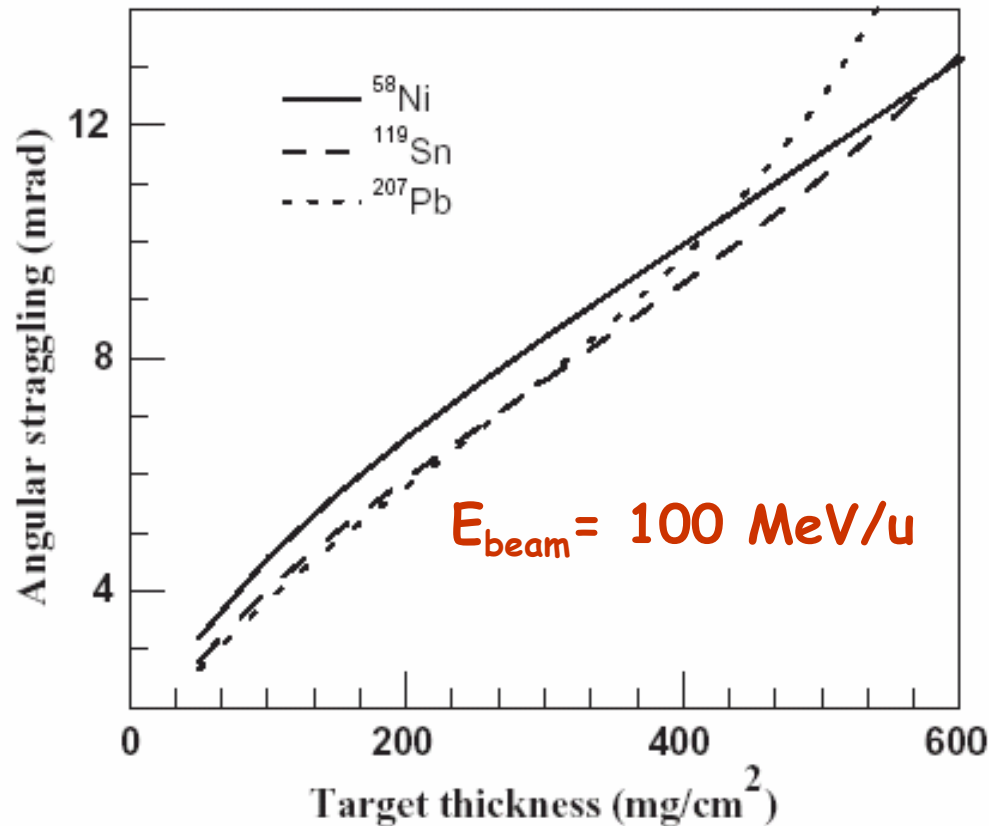
$\approx 3^\circ$



Nuclei on stability line

Neutron rich nuclei have larger radius

How thick can I take my target?

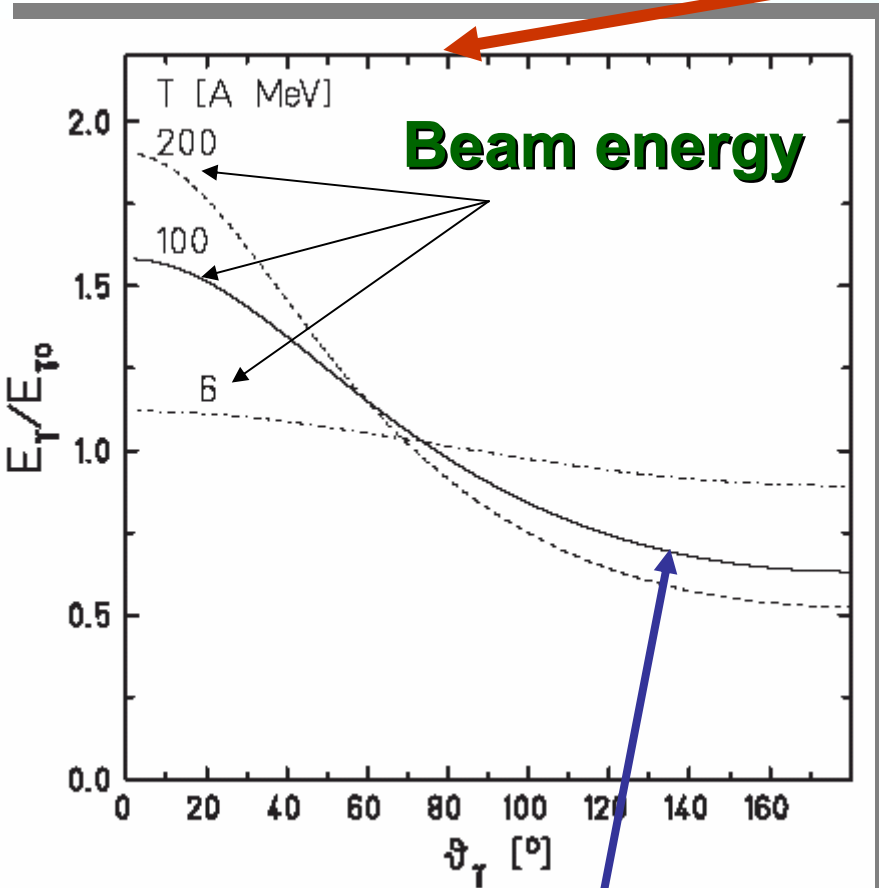


Effect of the angular Straggling of the Beam after passing through the target

Energy-loss straggling at relativistic energies is <1% with 600 mg/cm² target

The angular straggling depends strongly on target thickness which limits the impact parameter measurement for peripheral collisions

Ratio of the energy measured in the laboratory to the corresponding energy in the rest frame



$$\frac{E_\gamma}{E_{\gamma 0}} = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}{1 - \beta \cos \vartheta_\gamma}$$

with

$$\beta = \frac{\sqrt{(T_{\text{lab}}/A_p)^2 + 1863(T_{\text{lab}}/A_p)}}{931.5 + T_{\text{lab}}/A_p}$$

- Doppler shift
- (factor of 1.5 for $\beta \sim 40\%$)

γ - spectroscopy at relativistic energies

Lorentz boost of γ -rays

- Gain in geometrical efficiency

at forward angles in lab.
System (factor of 2 for $b \sim 40\%$)

$$\phi_{\gamma}^{\text{rest}} = \phi_{\gamma}^{\text{lab}}$$

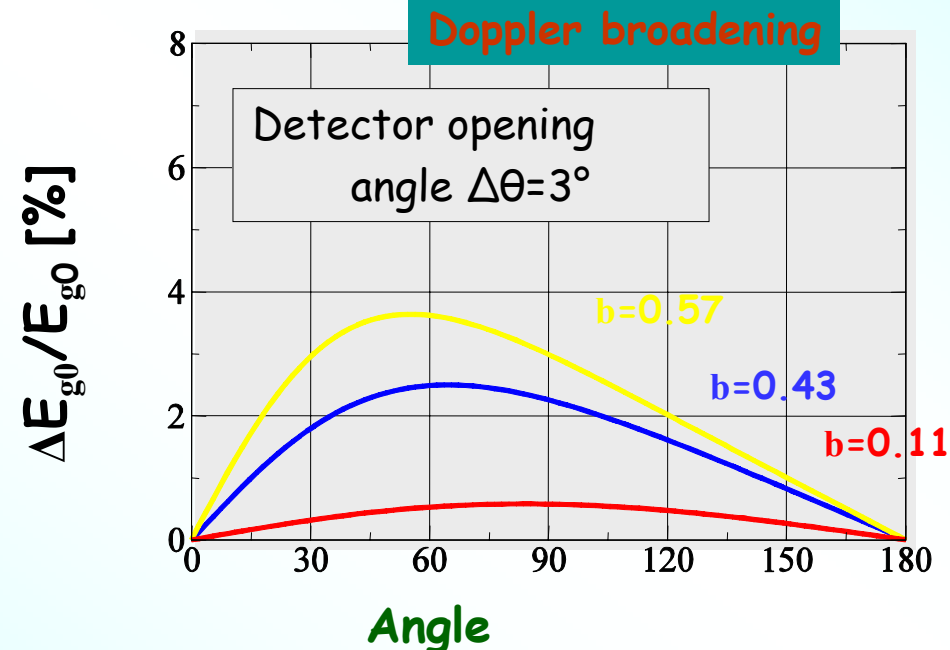
$$\cos \theta_{\gamma}^{\text{rest}} = \frac{\cos \vartheta_{\gamma} - \beta}{1 - \beta \cos \vartheta_{\gamma}}$$

$$\frac{d\Omega_{\text{rest}}}{d\Omega} = \left(\frac{E_{\gamma}}{E_{\gamma 0}} \right)^2 = \frac{1 - \beta^2}{(1 - \beta \cos \vartheta_{\gamma})^2}$$

Doppler broadening

$$\frac{\Delta E_{\gamma 0}}{E_{\gamma 0}} = \frac{\beta - \cos \vartheta_{\gamma}}{(1 - \beta^2)(1 - \beta \cos \vartheta_{\gamma})} \Delta\beta$$

6%
due to velocity spread

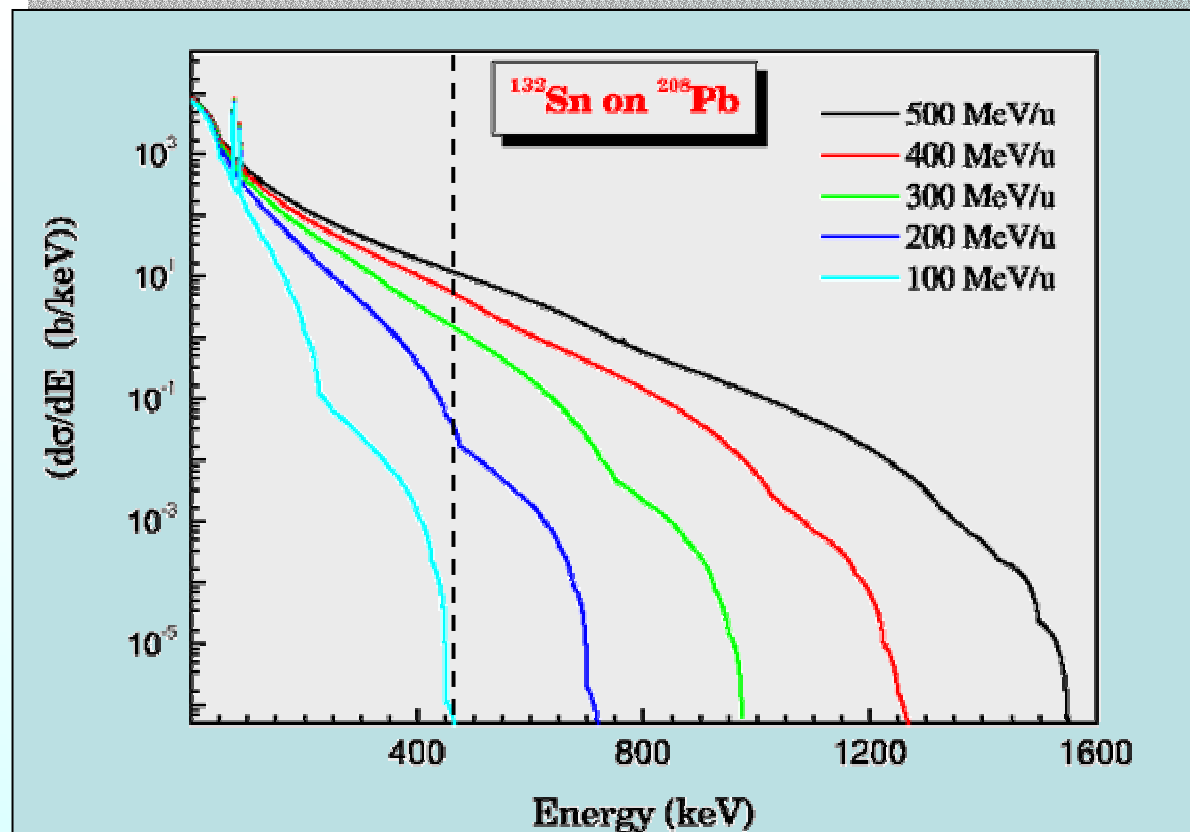


Atomic background,

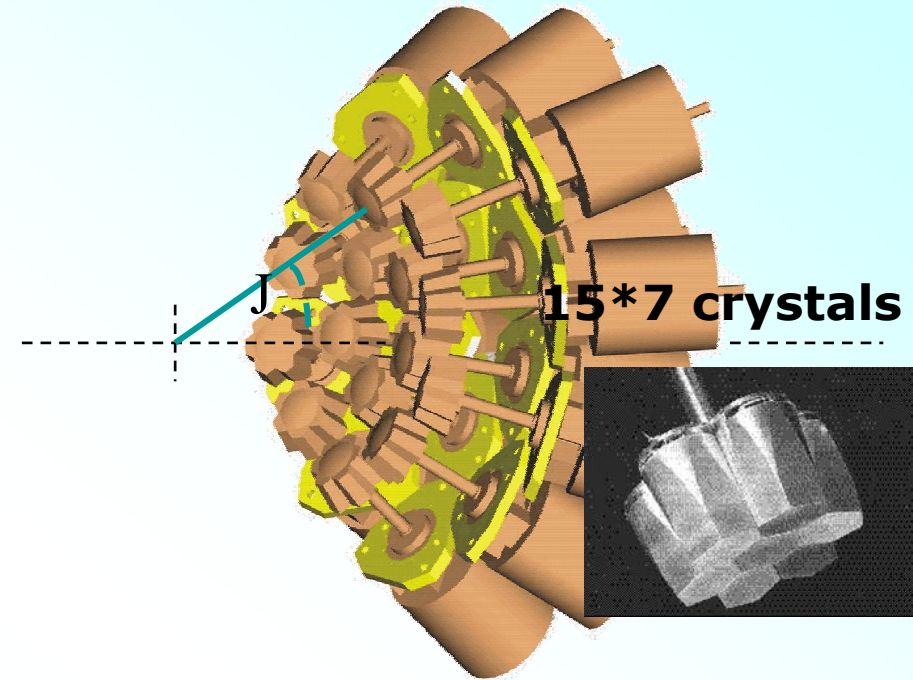
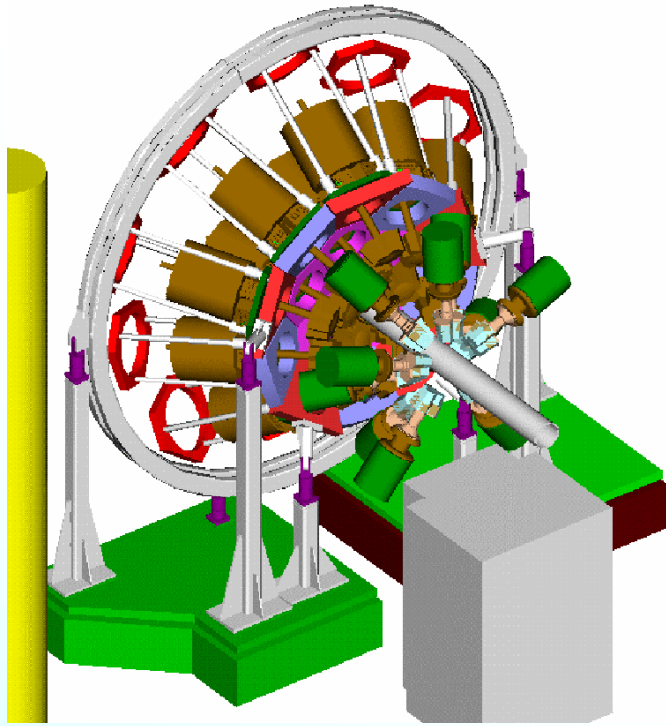
a limiting factor

- X-rays from target atoms
- Radiative electron capture
- Primary Bremsstrahlung
- Secondary Bremsstrahlung
- σ (atomic) $\sim 10000 * \sigma$ (nuclear)

- There is also a dependence on the target material



RISING Ge-array



15 EUROBALL cluster detectors Clusters at forward angle

- Large Lorentz boost ($b \sim 0.4$ up to 0.8)
- Optimum Doppler shift correction
- Minimizing Doppler broadening
 - Ring1 at 15.9° 70 cm
 - Ring2 at 33.0° 70 - 140 cm

Design (100MeV/u, 1.3MeV γ -ray)

energy resolution (FWHM):
Total efficiency: 2.88%
No anti-Compton
suppression shields

RISING ARRAY

Euroball 15 Clusters

Located at 16.5°, 33°, 36° degrees
Energetic threshold ~ 100 keV

Hector BaF₂

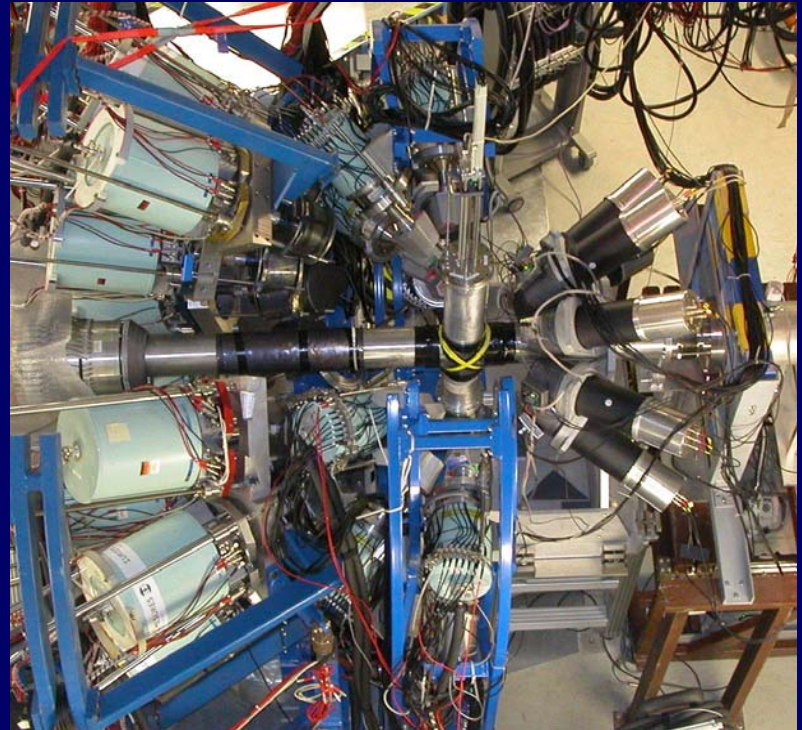
Located at 142° and 90° degrees
Energetic threshold ~ 1.5 MeV

Miniball segmented detectors

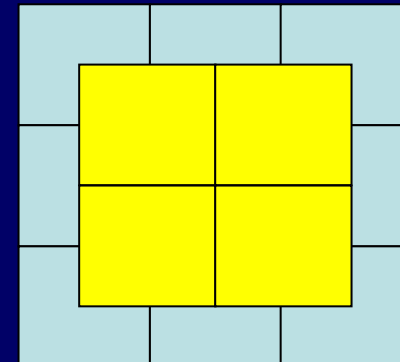
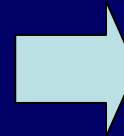
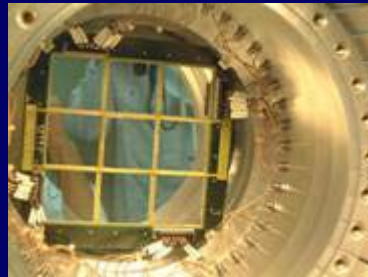
Located at 46°, 60°, 80°, 90° degrees
Energetic threshold ~ 100 keV

Beam identification and tracking detectors

Before and after the target

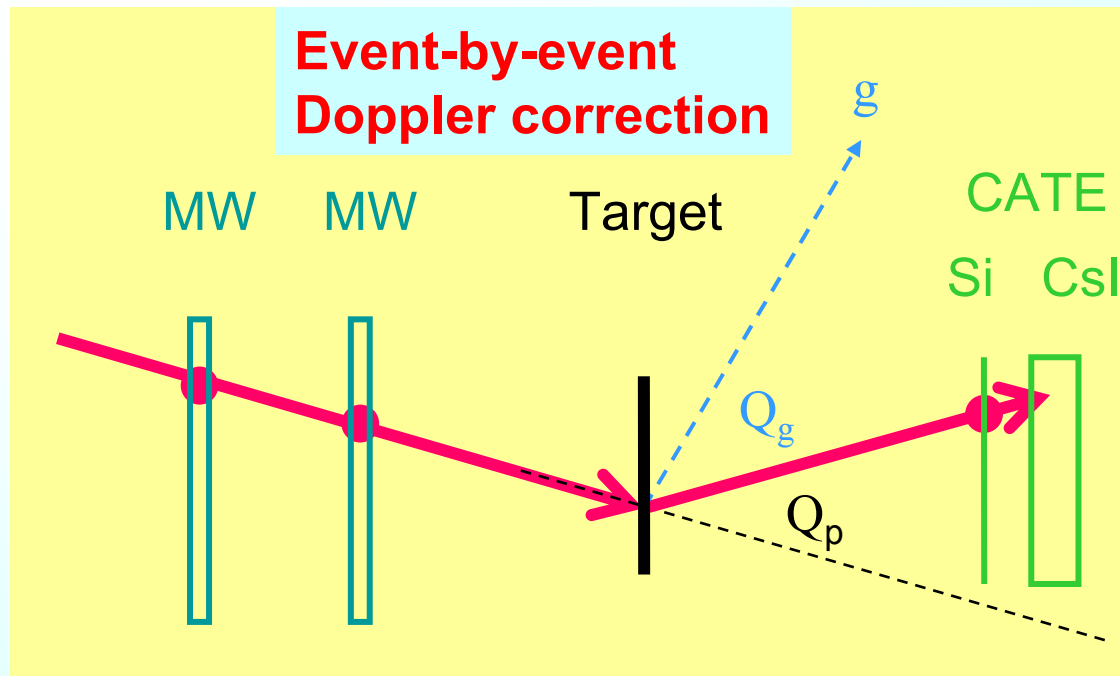


Calorimeter
Telescope
for beam identification
(CATE)



4 CsI
9 Si

Tracking of outgoing particles



MW
pos. res. ~ 1 mm

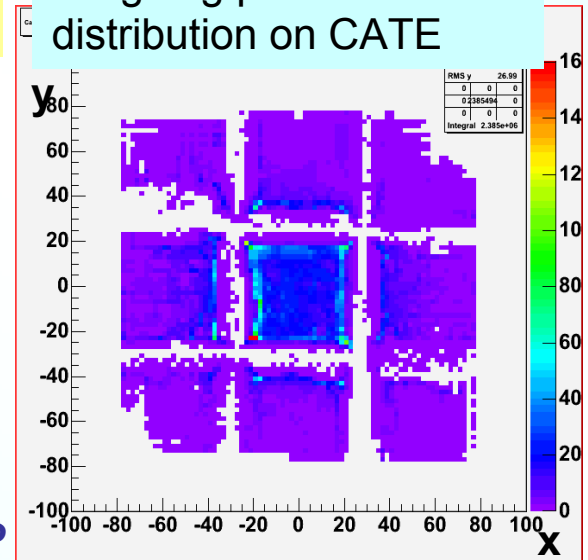
CATE-Si
pos. res. ~ 5 mm
opening angle $\pm 3^\circ$

Calorimeter Telescope

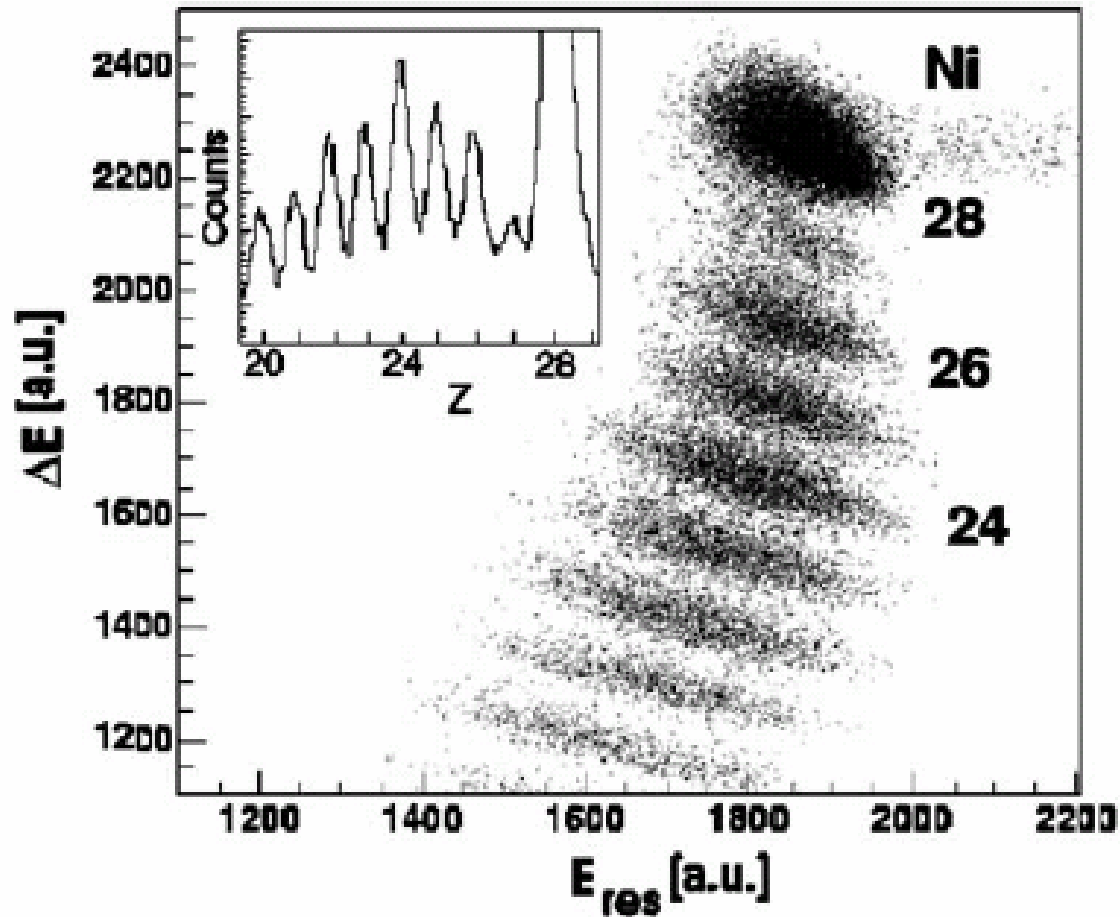
It covers 58 mrad
1426 mm from the target mounted in vacuum
9 Si detectors each 50×50 mm²
Si detectors are position sensitive

Cs(I) detectors have an energy resolution of 0.5%

Outgoing particle
distribution on CATE



**^{55}Ni on ^9Be target
at 100 MeV/u**



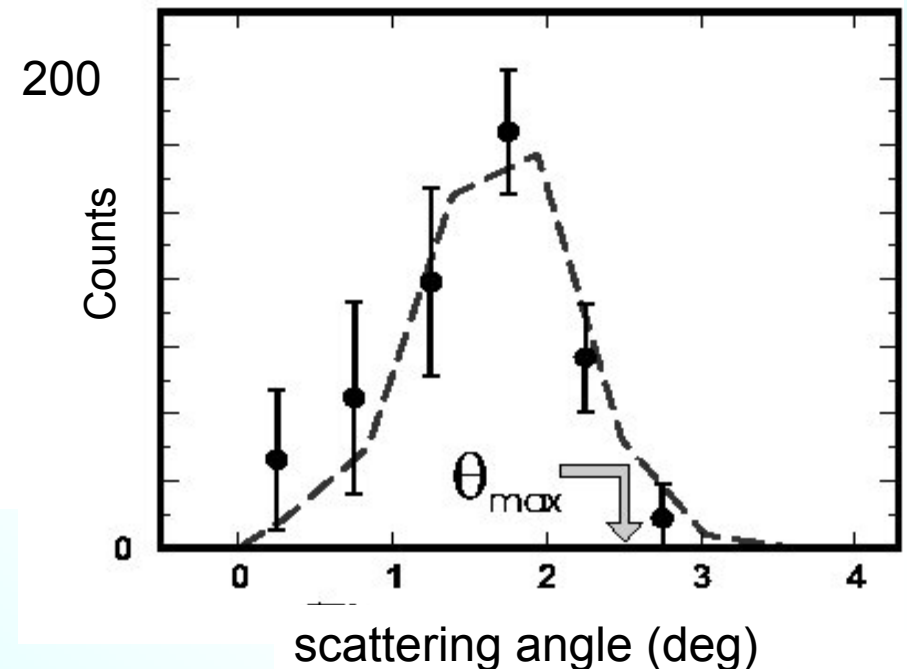
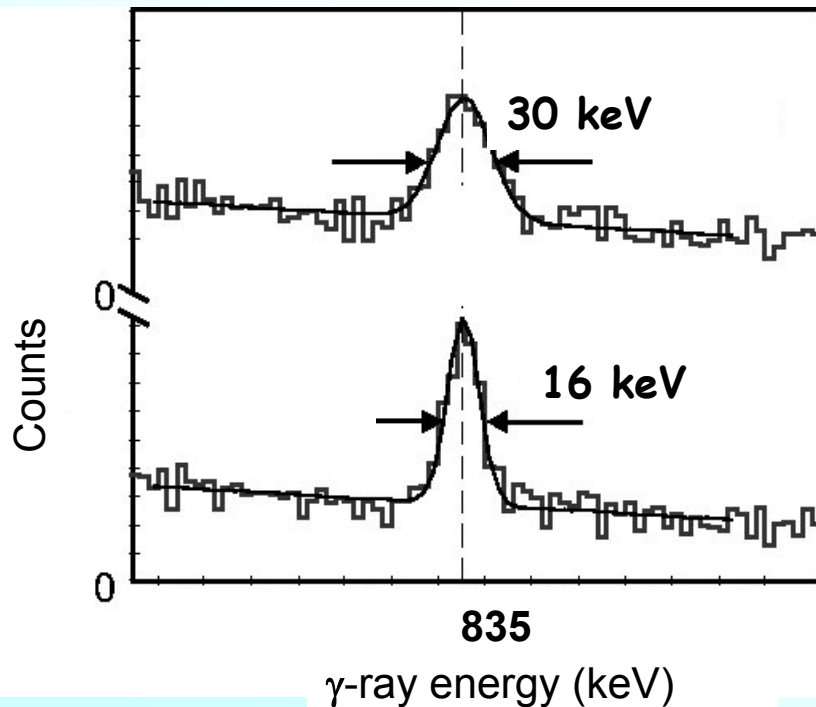
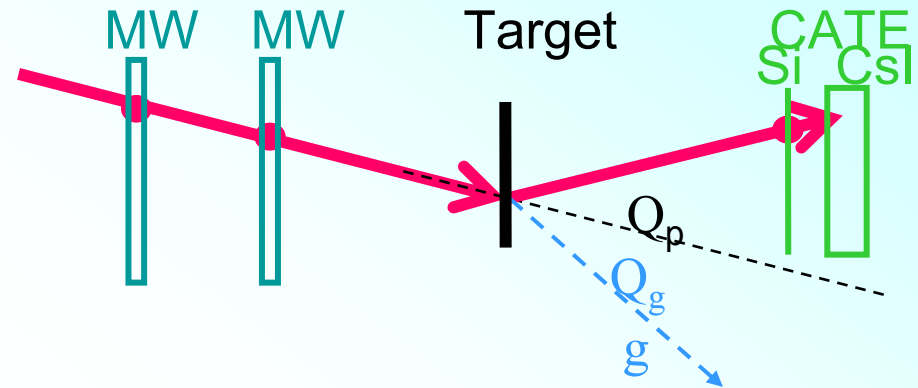
**Z resolution of the calorimeter CATE
is $\Delta Z = 0.7$ (FWHM)**

- velocity v/c from TOF (event-by-event)

- tracking Cr ions: γ -ray emission angle

γ -ray energy resolution

scattering angle



Coulomb excitation of the primary beam - ^{84}Kr

Fragment identification:

before the target (FRS detectors)

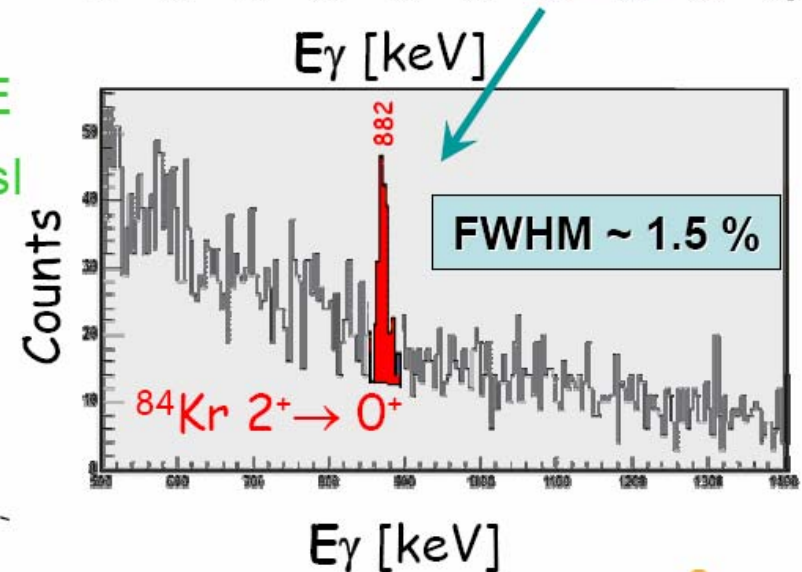
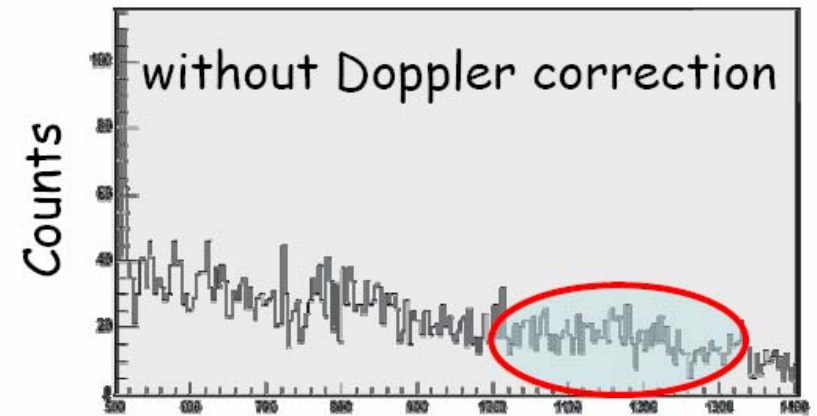
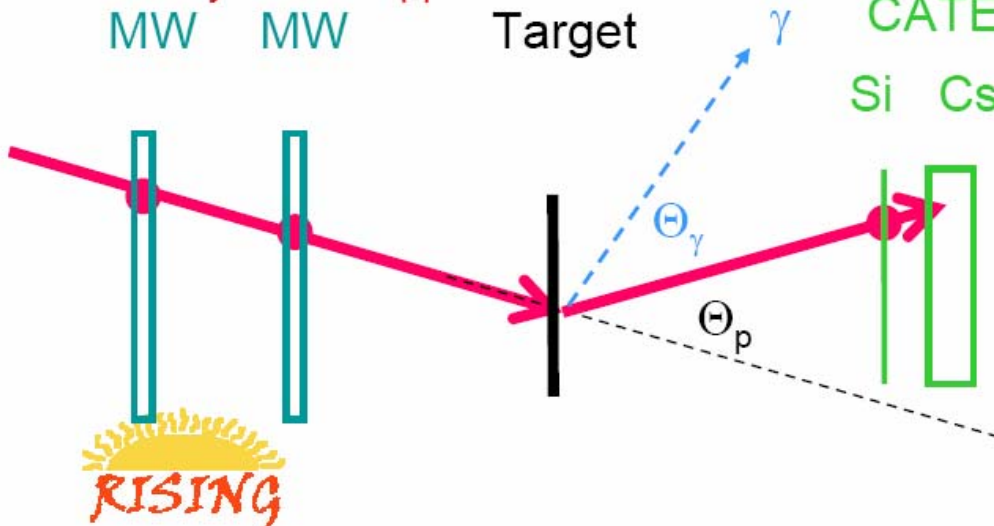
after the target (CALorimeter TElescope)

Tracking of the particles:

before the target (MW)

after the target (Si detector)

→ Event by event Doppler correction



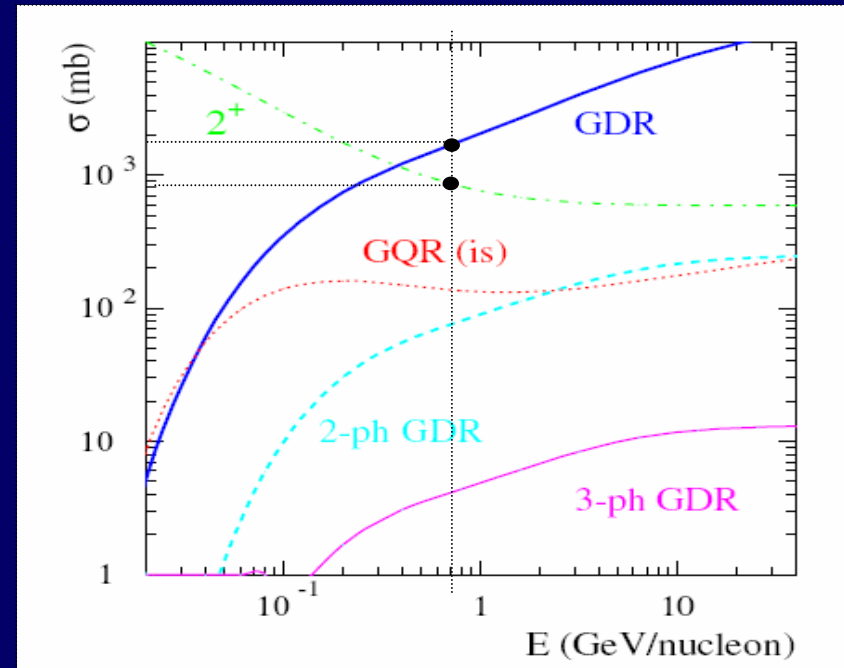
Virtual photon scattering technique first experiment with a relativistic beam

GDR - PYGMY Excitation

600 MeV/u $^{68}\text{Ni} + ^{197}\text{Au}$ (April 2005)

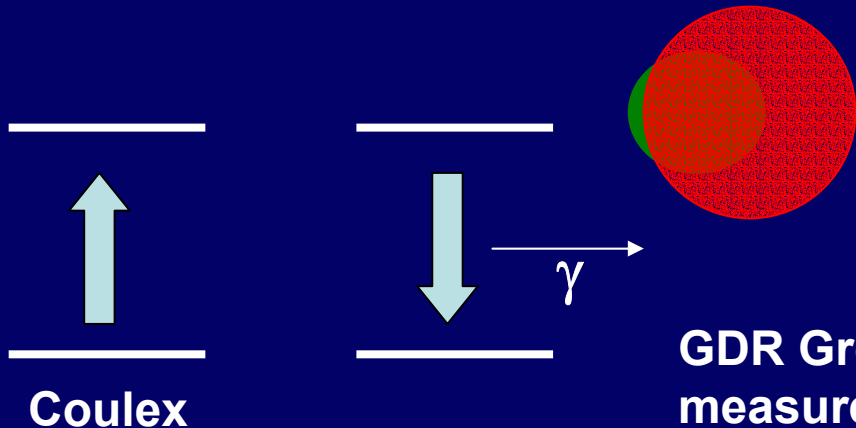
- High selectivity for dipole excitation

$$\frac{\sigma(\text{GDR})}{\sigma(2+) + \sigma(\text{GQR})} \approx 3$$



T.Aumann et al EPJ 26(2005)441

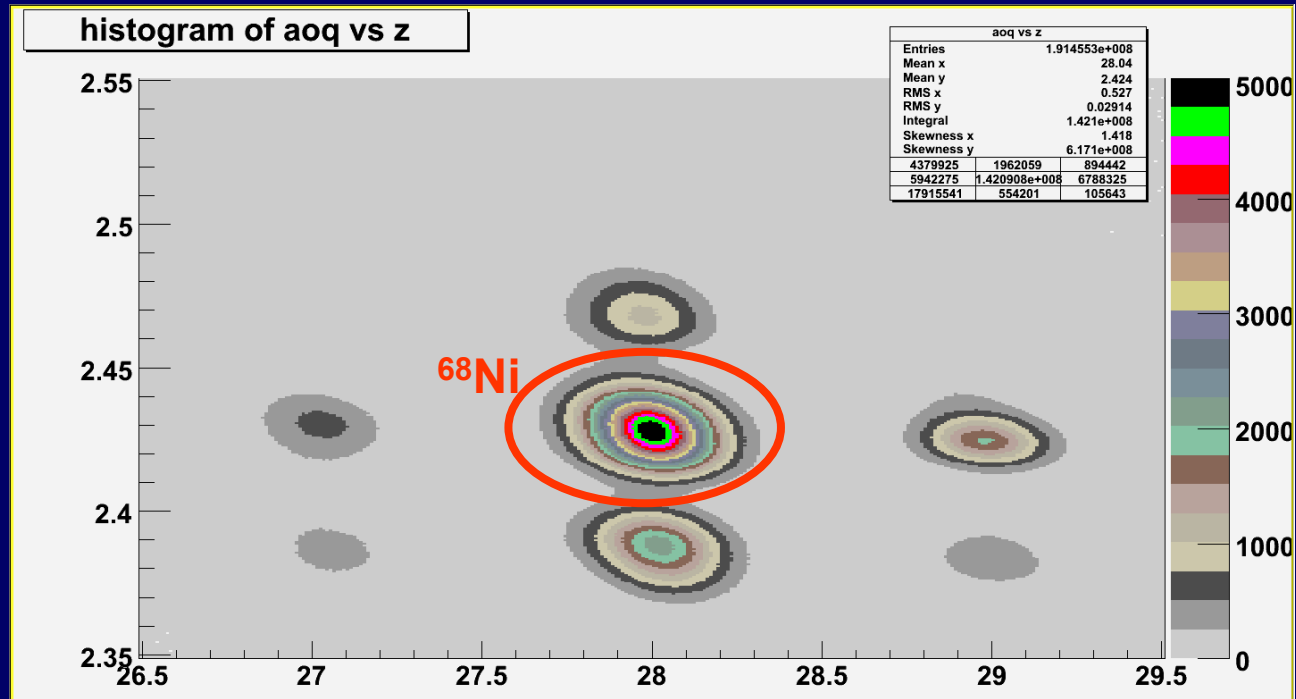
GDR - PYGMY Decay



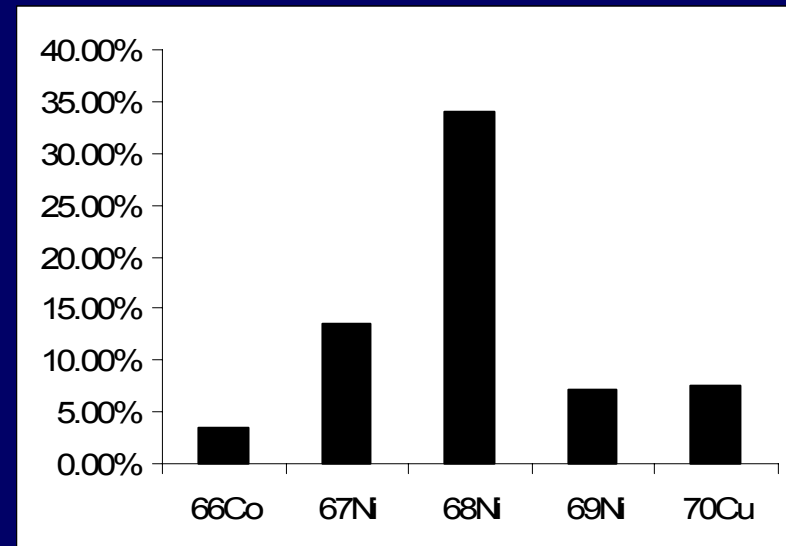
GDR Ground state decay branching ratio $\sim 2\%$
measured on ^{208}Pb

J.Beene et al PRC 41(1990)920

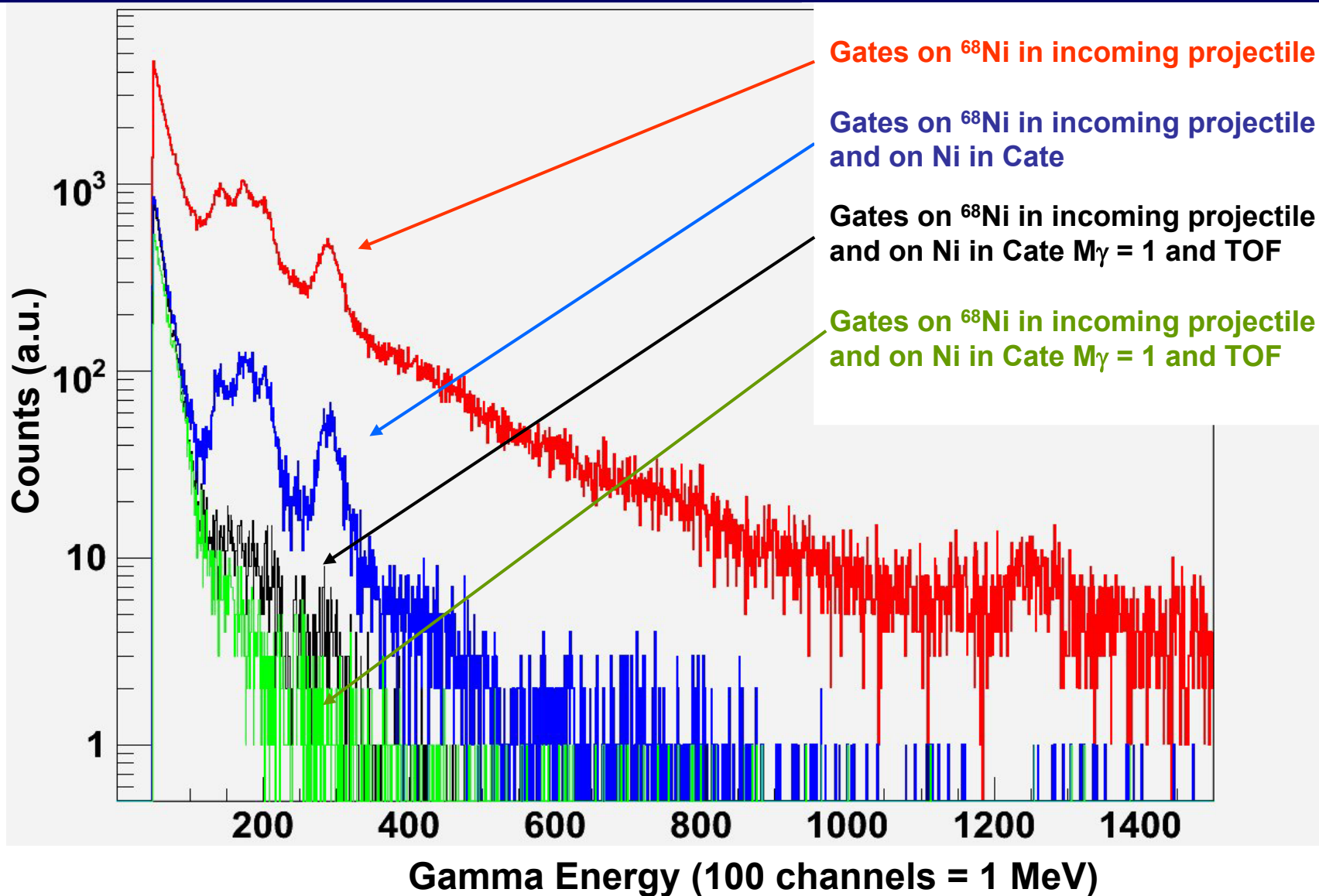
Incident Beam



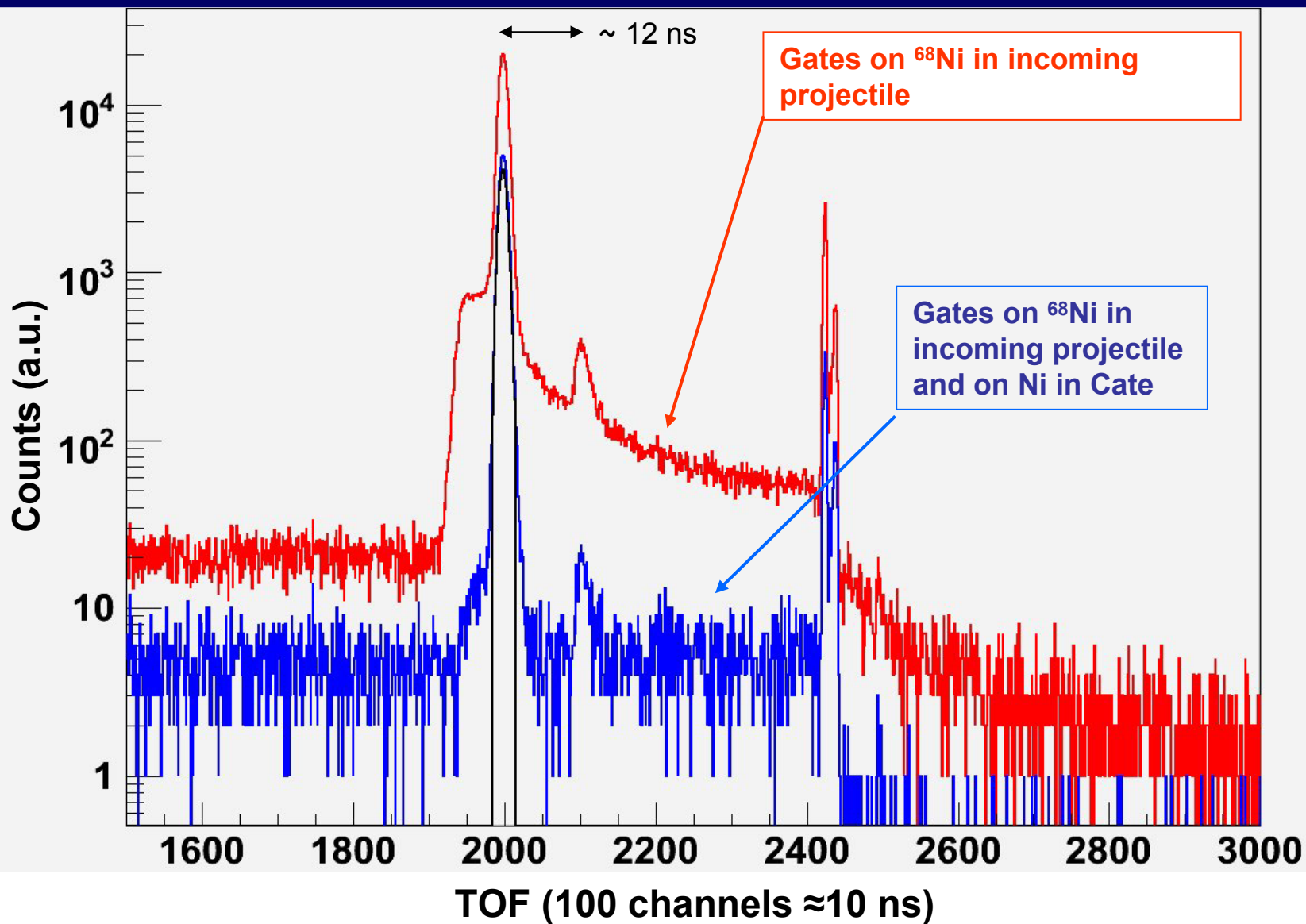
- ~ 6 Days of effective beam time
- ~ 400 GB of data recorded
- ~ $3 \cdot 10^8$ Events recorded
- ~ $1 \cdot 10^8$ ^{68}Ni recorded
- ~ $3 \cdot 10^7$ 'good ^{68}Ni events' recorded



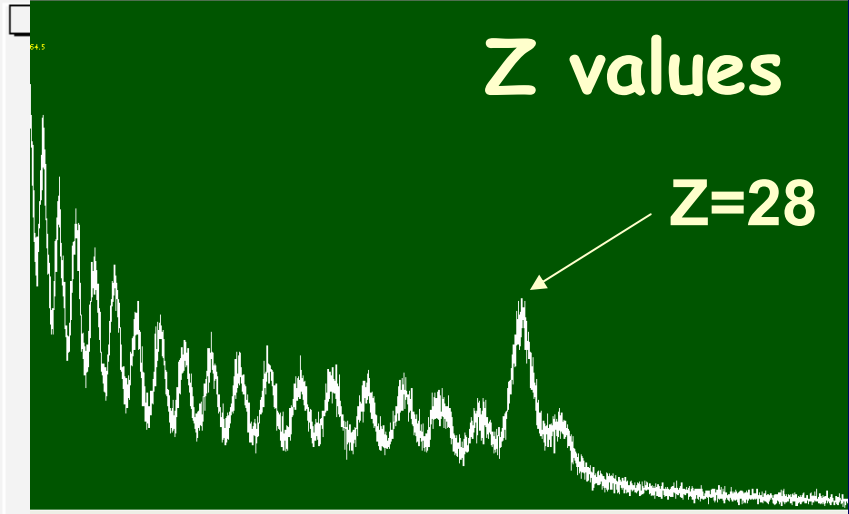
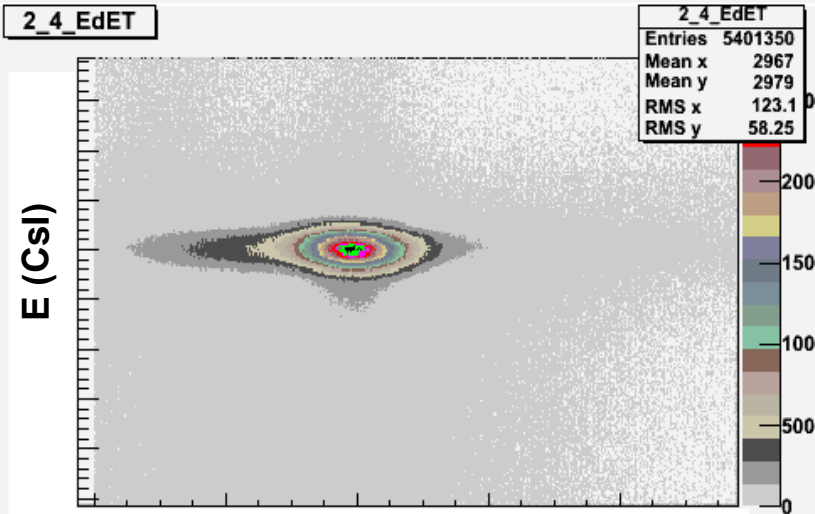
BaF₂ Energy Spectra



BaF₂ Time of Flight Spectra



Beam Identification after the target



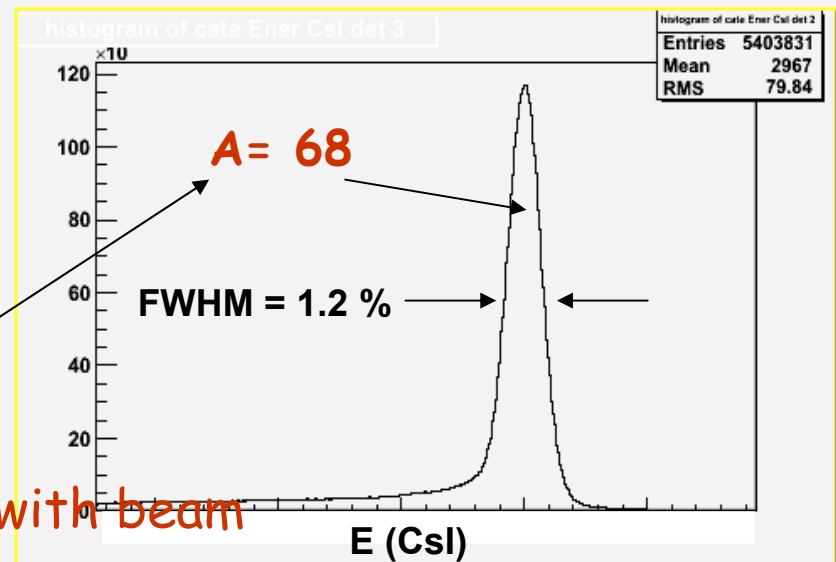
CATE spectra have been corrected

Drifts in energy with Time.

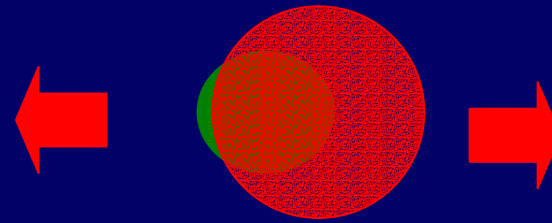
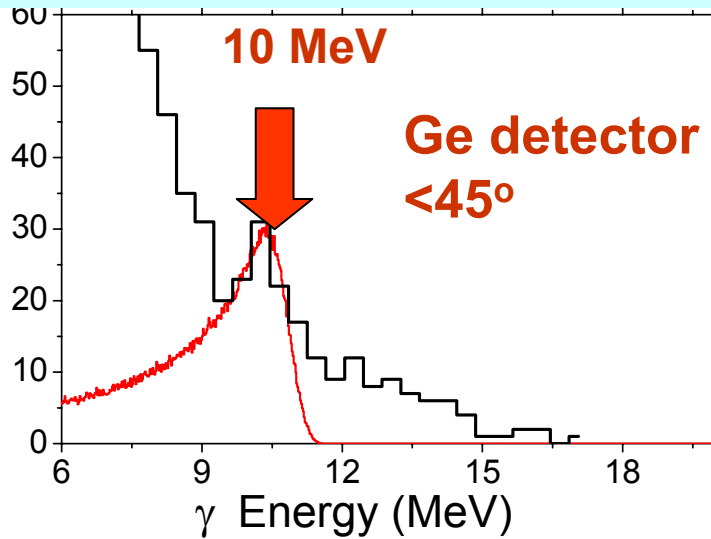
Interaction positions.

Beam velocity profile.

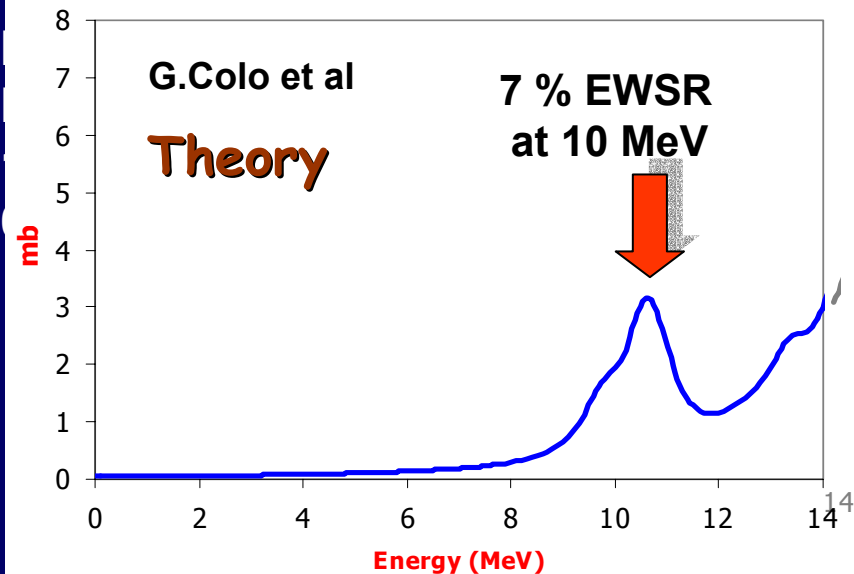
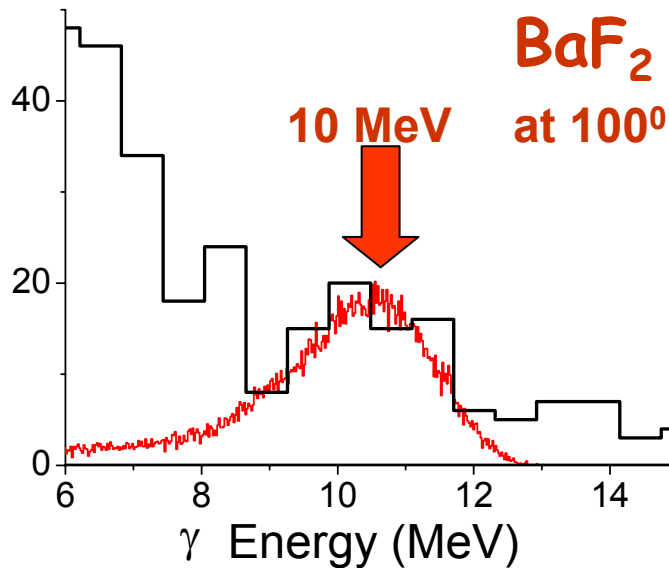
From Calibration with beam



^{68}Ni beam at 600 MeV/u

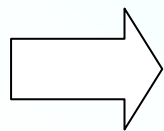
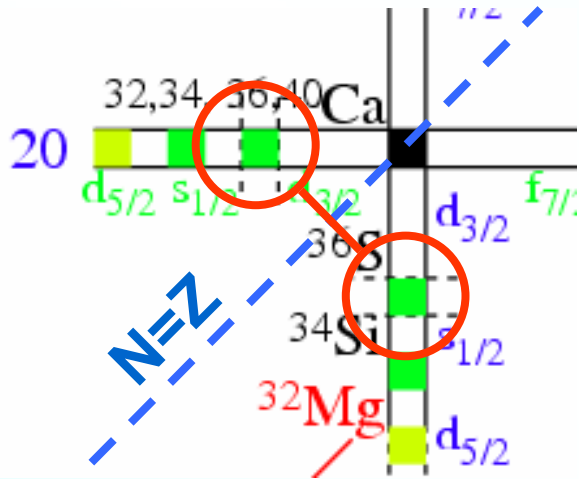


Pygmy Resonance
Collective oscillation of
neutron skin against the core:
First measurement!

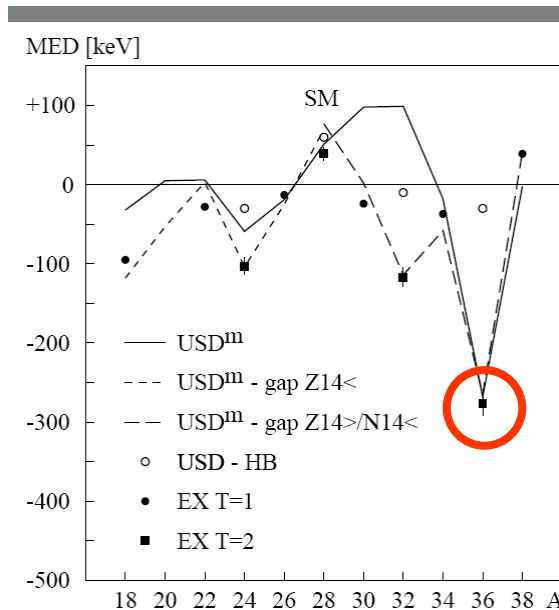
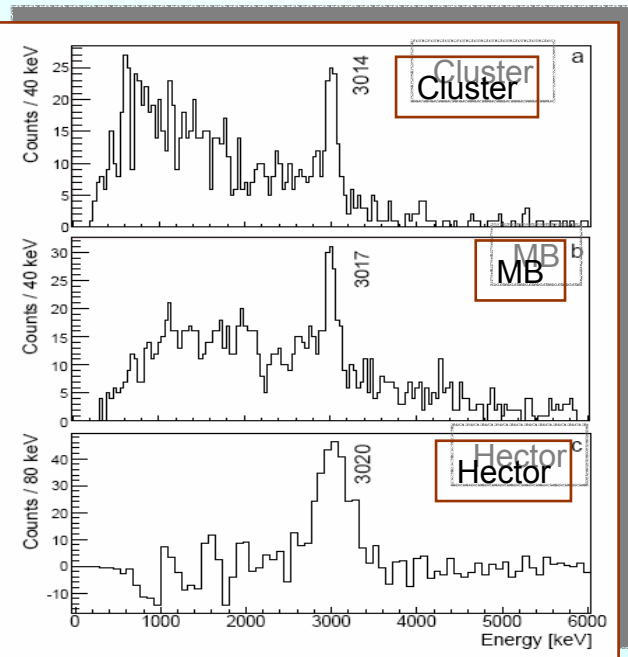
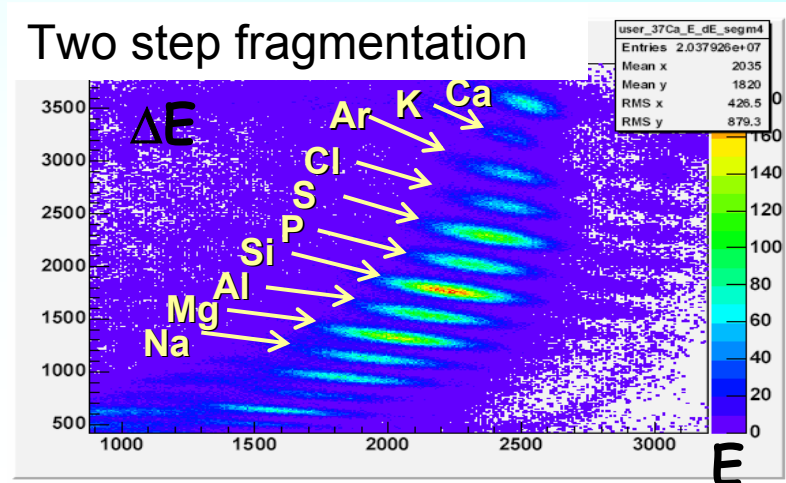


**Preliminary results. Other data
under analysis- First measurement**

Multiframmentazione del $^{37}\text{Ca} \Rightarrow T = 2$ mirrors ^{36}Ca and ^{36}S :



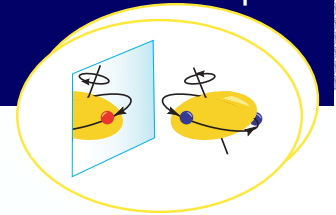
Two step fragmentation



$\Delta E_M = E(^{36}\text{Ca}) - E(^{36}\text{S}) = -276 \text{ keV}$
The second highest measured

The monopole part of the two body interaction drives the shell structure scenario

Probably an "island of inversion" similar as in the $A=20$ cases is developed in $N < 16$ Ca isotopes



First excited state in ^{36}Ca seen for the first time

L'eccitazione Coulombiana e' uno strumento molto efficace per studiare la risposta elastica del sistema attraverso l'eccitazione delle risonanze giganti che sono ad alta frequenza

Cercare la risposta dipolare in nuclei esotici e' importante per studiare le caratteristiche del campo medio e della pelle di neutroni in nuclei vicino alla neutron drip line.

Interesse astrofisico perche' conoscere la E1 strength permette di valutare la competizione tra cattura neutronica e decadimento gamma nel processo r

Ma se voglio eccitare stati con configurazioni piu' complesse soprattutto ad alto spin mi servono altre reazioni che producono Molte righe negli spettri e quindi devo avere una risoluzione migliore

Le risoluzioni richieste (pochi KeV) nel caso di fasci relativistici si si hanno solo se si studia la spettroscopia dei fasci fermati e (decadimenti da stati isomerici)

Fasci RIB < 20 MeV/u e segmentazione nei rivelatori al Ge

FASCI radioattivi a Bassa energia : **Perche' servono?**

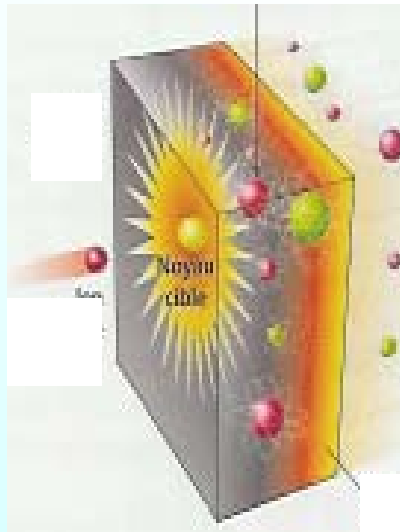
- Reazioni attorno alla barriera (trasferimento, deep-inelastic, fusione) per popolare gli stati eccitati dei nuclei esotici e studiare la loro struttura
- La velocita' del nucleo emettitore ha $\beta < 0.2$ e quindi la spettroscopia γ e' piu' facile che con i fasci di Frammentazione on- flight
- **Caratterizzare le eccitazioni dei nuclei con misure ad alta risoluzione:**

Spettroscopia gamma

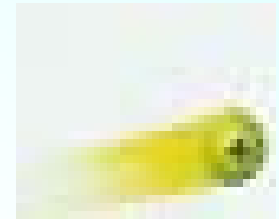
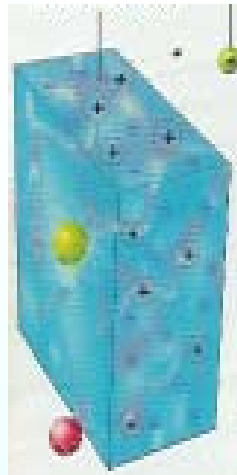
usare rivelatori piu' segmentati ed efficienti per identificare il punto d'interazione per la correzione Doppler (Progetto AGATA)

ISOL TECHNIQUE

Ion projectiles
stopped
in a thick target
target heated and
the fragments
diffuse



Separation
of the fragments



Post acceleration of the
fragments

Ionization of the
fragments
Charge breeder

Existing facilities

Oak-Ridge

Triumf

Rex-Isolde

SPIRAL

Excyt

Good beam quality (pure beam and well focussed)
– ideal for beams up to 50 MeV/u

Limitation to nuclei with lifetimes larger than 1 ms

Metodo ISOL sviluppato al Niels Bohr Institute negli anni 50

Produzione di ioni di Kr
per studiare il
decadimento beta

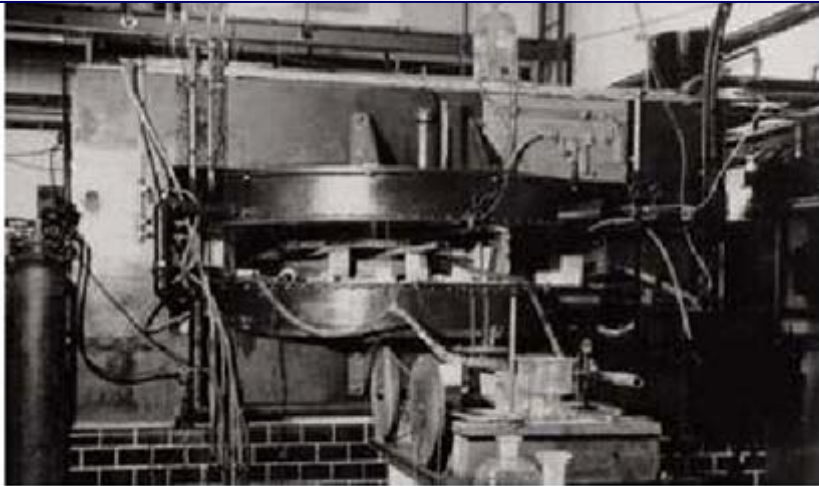
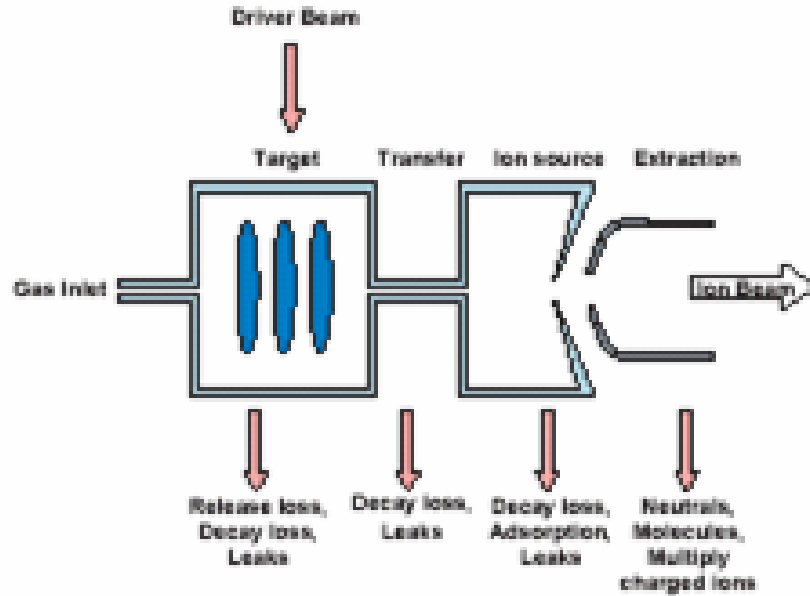
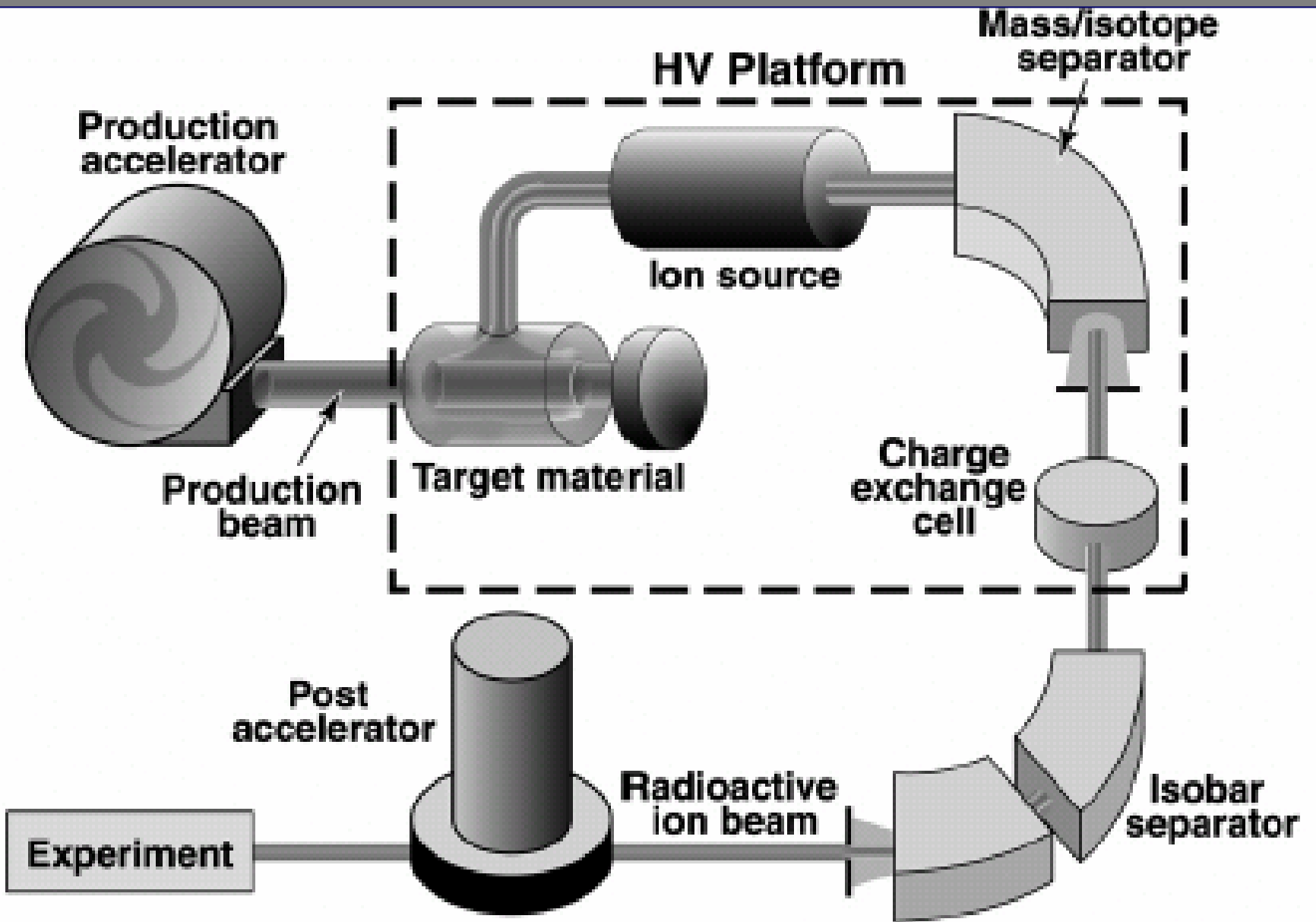


Figure 1: The Niels Bohr Institute cyclotron.

They were investigating beta-decay and neutrino emission from neutron-rich krypton isotopes, produced in uranium fission. Using a variant of the “converter” method – now enjoying renewed interest for the next generation of RIB facilities – they used deuterons from their cyclotron on an internal target to produce neutrons. These then struck a uranium oxide target (mixed with baking powder) from which gas flowed. The gas was then ionised, extracted from a high-voltage platform and passed through a mass-separator, which selected the krypton ions of interest.



Intensità particelle prodotte

$$I = \sigma \times \Phi \times N \times \varepsilon_1 \times \varepsilon_2 \times \varepsilon_3 \times \varepsilon_4 \times \varepsilon_5$$

I = Intensità particelle prodotte

σ : cross-section,

Φ : primary-beam intensity,

N: target thickness,

ε_1 : product release and transfer efficiency,

ε_2 : ion-source efficiency,

ε_3 : efficiency due to radioactive decay losses,

ε_4 : efficiency of the spectrometer,

ε_5 : post-accelerator efficiency.

$\Phi \times N = \text{Luminosity}$

Metodo ISOL

Isotopes
Separation
On
Line

- Driver ad alta intensità (Dissipazione Calore)
- Targhette di produzione (Raffreddamento e Radioattività)
- Efficienza Selezione (20%)
- Efficienza di estrazione (30%)
- Efficienza di Trasmissione alla Sorgente (30%)

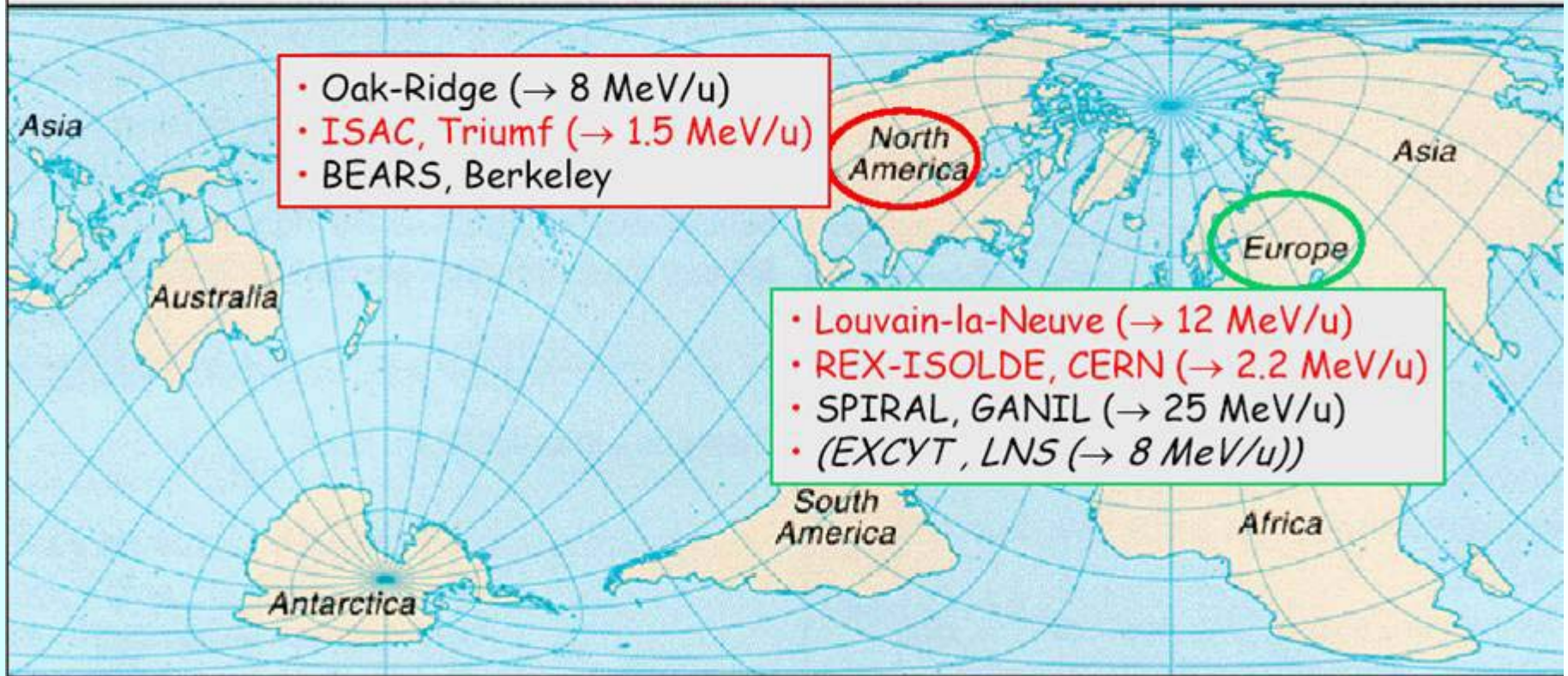
Potenza in gioco

Potenza (W) = $I V = I$ (Energy/Charge state)

Es: $I=1\text{mA}$ $E=50 \text{ A MeV}$ di O^{16} completamente strippato (O^{8+}):
 $P = 1 \cdot 10^{-3} (50 \cdot 16/8) \cdot 10^6 = 100 \text{ kW}$

Facilities of the first generation

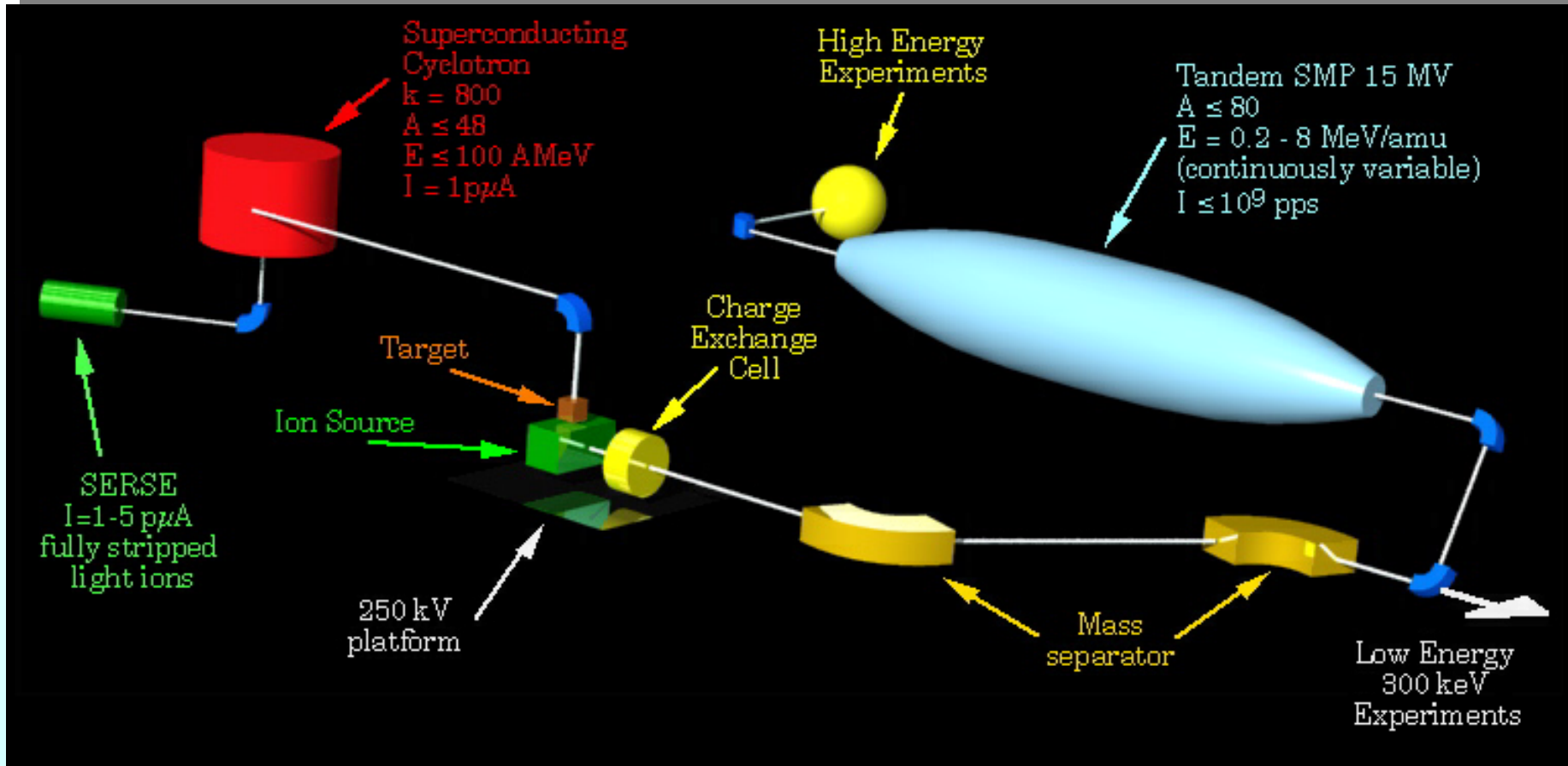
ISOL facilities



Potenze del fascio del driver primario di pochi kW

Location	Year	Driver	Post Accelerator
CRC, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium	1989	Cyclotron p, 30 MeV, 200 μ A	cyclotrons K = 44 and 110
SPIRAL, GANIL, Caen, France	2001	2 cyclotrons heavy ions up to 95 MeV/u 6 kW	cyclotron K = 265 2 - 25 MeV/u
REX-ISOLDE, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland	2001	PS booster p, 1.4 GeV, 2 μ A	linac 0.8 - 2.2 MeV/u
HRIBF, Oak Ridge, USA	1998	cyclotron p, d, α , 50 - 100 MeV 10 - 20 μ A	25 MV tandem
Excyt (LNS)	2006	Cyclotron	15 MV Tandem
ISAC, TRIUMF, Vancouver, Canada	2000	synchrotron p, 500 MeV, 100 μ A	linac 1.5 MeV/u

Facility Layout



Maximum Energy: $2.5 \div 150 \text{ MeV}$ (preacceleration energy up to 300 keV)

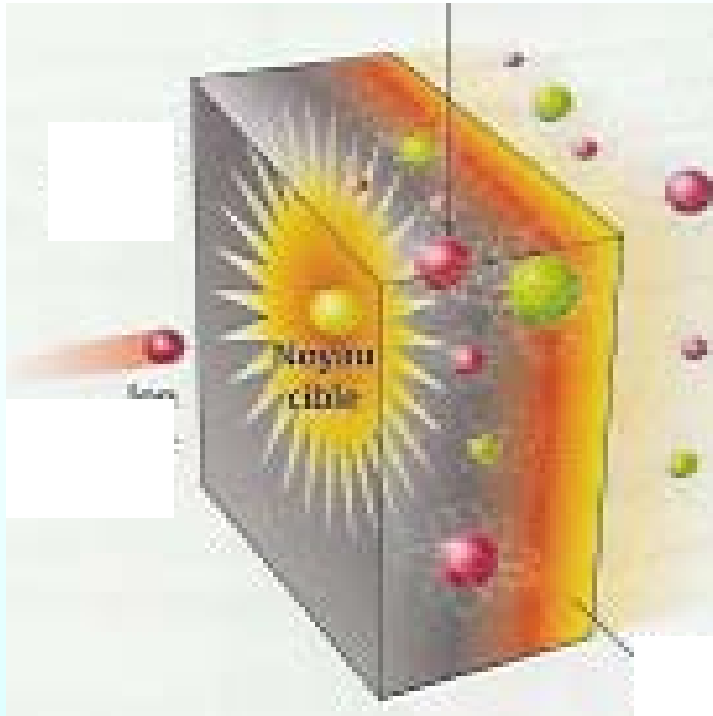
Low emittance ($< 0.5 \pi \text{ mm.mrad}$): clear-cut beam spot e low angular spread

Easy variable beam energy (excitation function study)

Low energy spread: $\Delta E/E = 10^{-4}$.

Proprieta' del bersaglio di produzione

ISOL: I nuclei prodotti dalle reazioni sono fermati nel bersaglio di produzione



Per estrarli si sfrutta il processo di effusione-diffusione nei solidi

Diffusione : e' il processo attraverso il quale la materia e' trasportata da una parte all'altra come risultato del moto molecolare di tipo random

Serve un gradiente termico

Indipendentemente dal meccanismo atomico responsabile della diffusione si descrive il coefficiente di diffusione macroscopico D (che dipende dalla temperatura, e dal materiale)

+ meccanismo di effusione per uscire dalla superficie

2. Effusion

= movement of a gas through tiny hole(s)

= faster for lighter molecules...

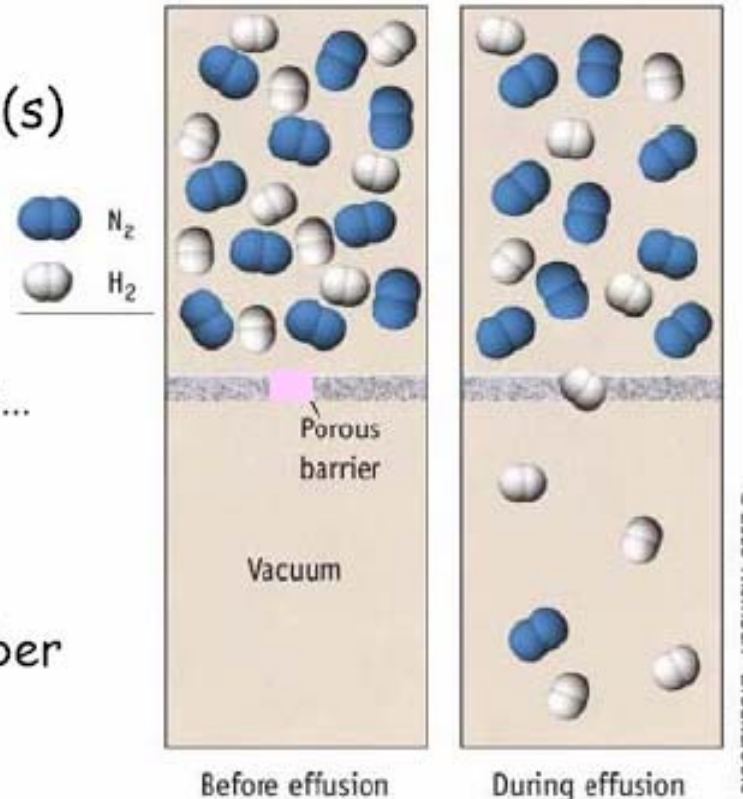
WHY DOES IT HAPPEN?

- molecules collide with container walls...
- but if "hit" the hole: go through!

BALLOONS:

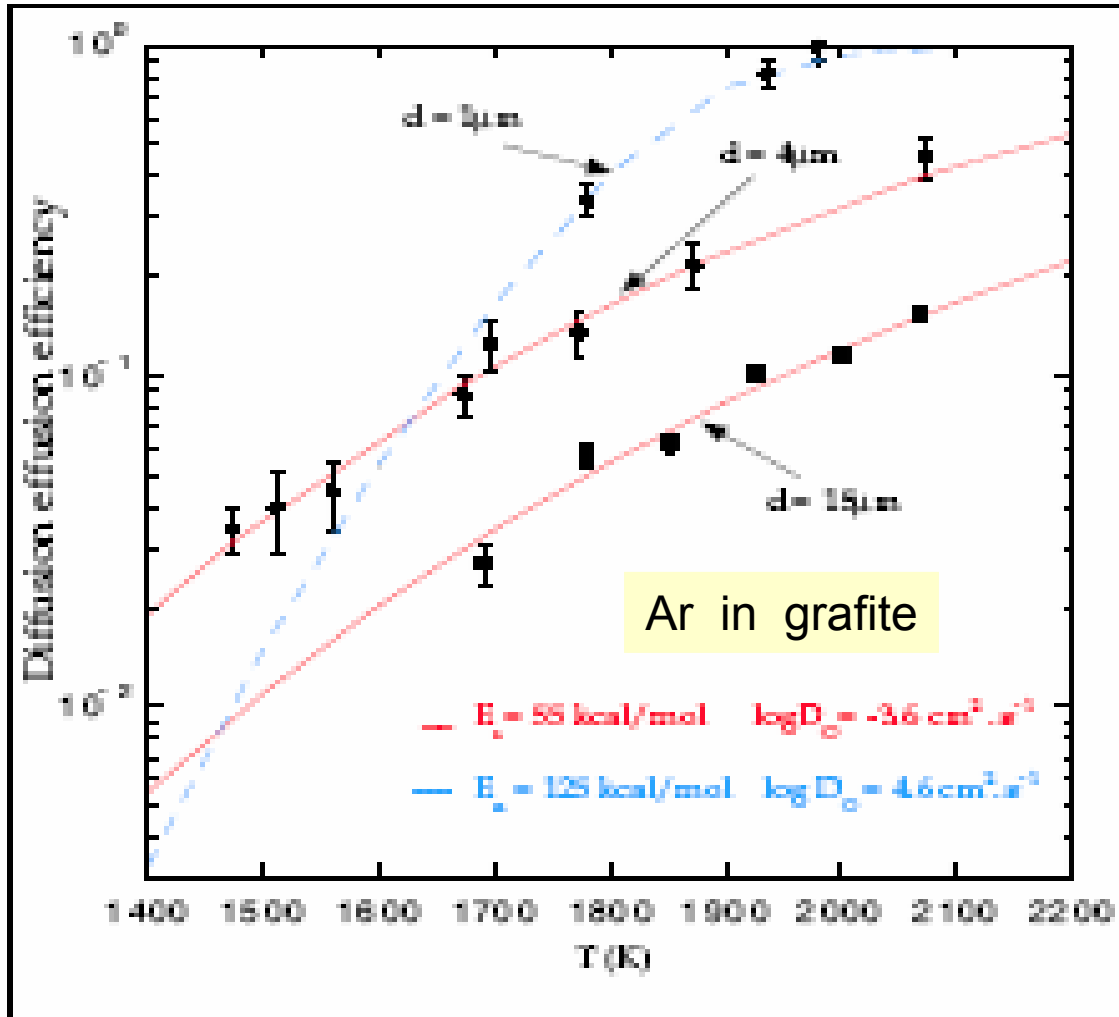
- molecules effuse through holes in rubber
- rate (= moles/time) is:
 - proportional to temperature
 - inversely proportional to molar mass.

Thus: a He balloon deflates after a while...
He effuses out more rapidly than
N₂ & O₂ from air effuse in.



ISOL : SERVE UN BERSAGLIO CON BUONA POROSITA' !

Metodo ISOL



d = dimensione del diffusore

E_A = energia di attivazione che dipende dalla composizione chimica del materiale (polvere lastre etc..) e dall'elemento che diffonde

Figure 3 : The dependence of the diffusion-effusion efficiency on the target temperature [6, 7, 8].

Beam

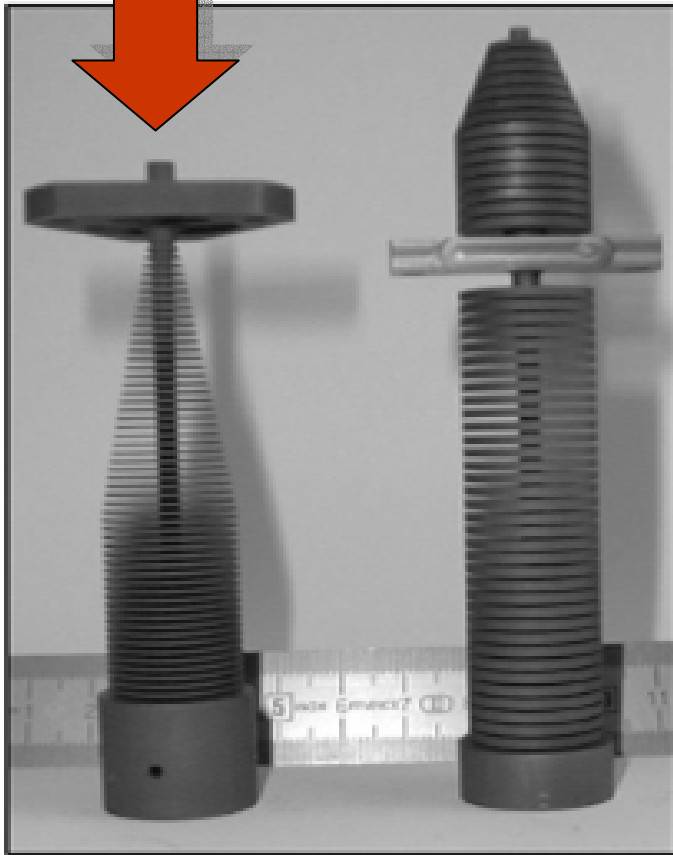
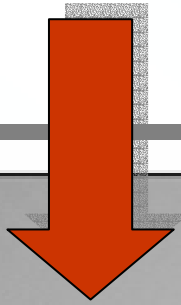


Figure 4 : Picture of the carbon targets : (left) the target dedicated to Ar and Ne production; (right) the target dedicated to He production.

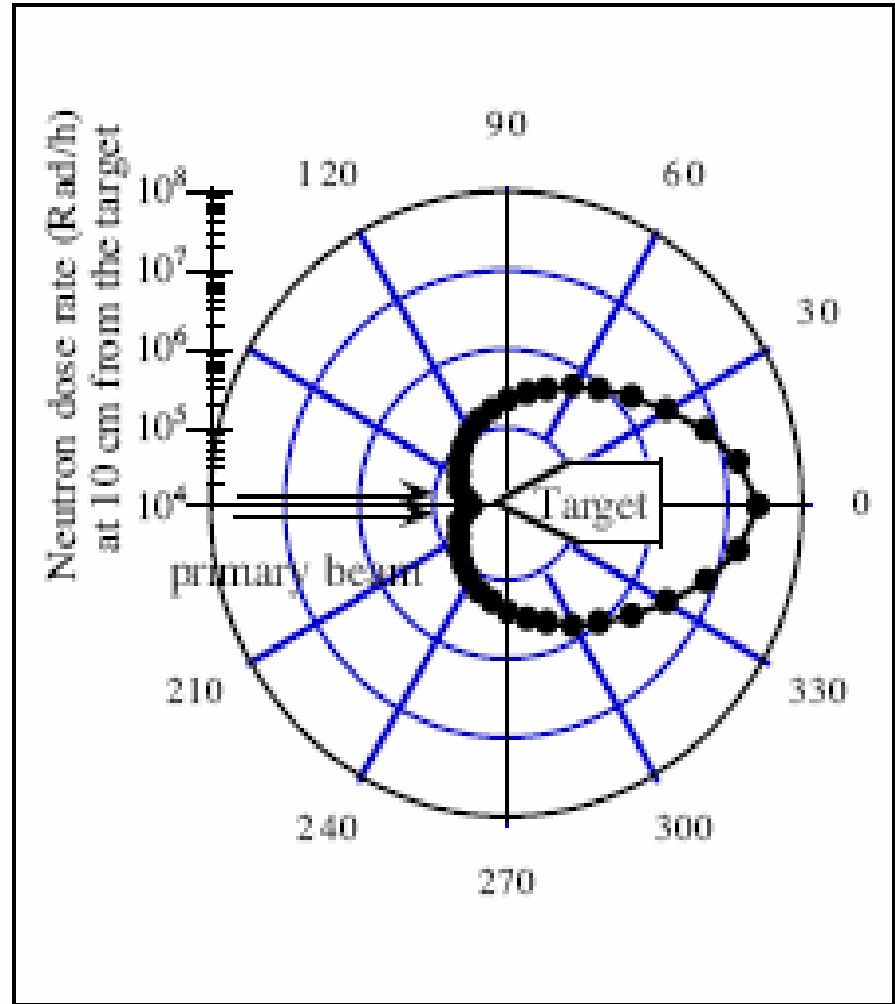
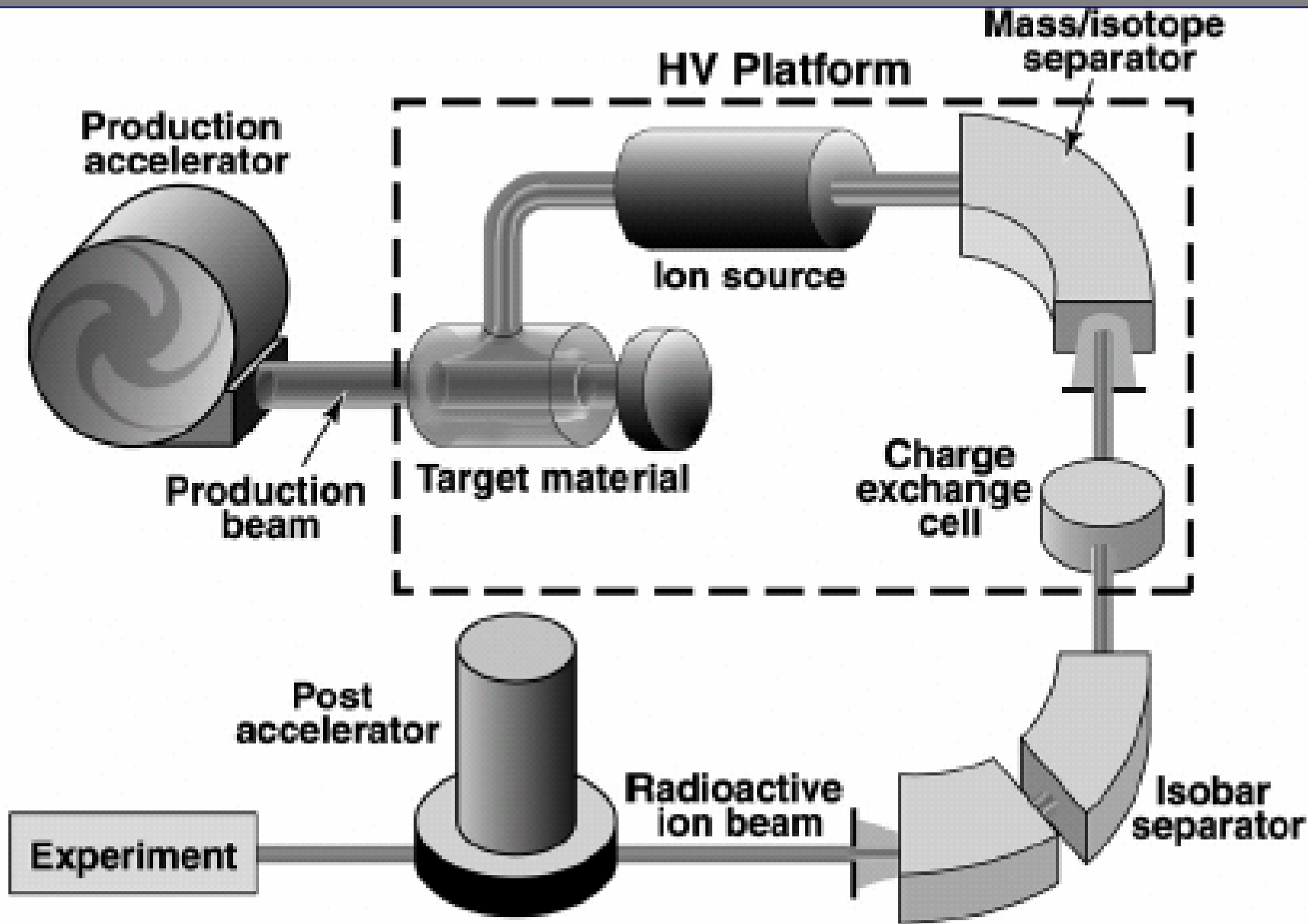
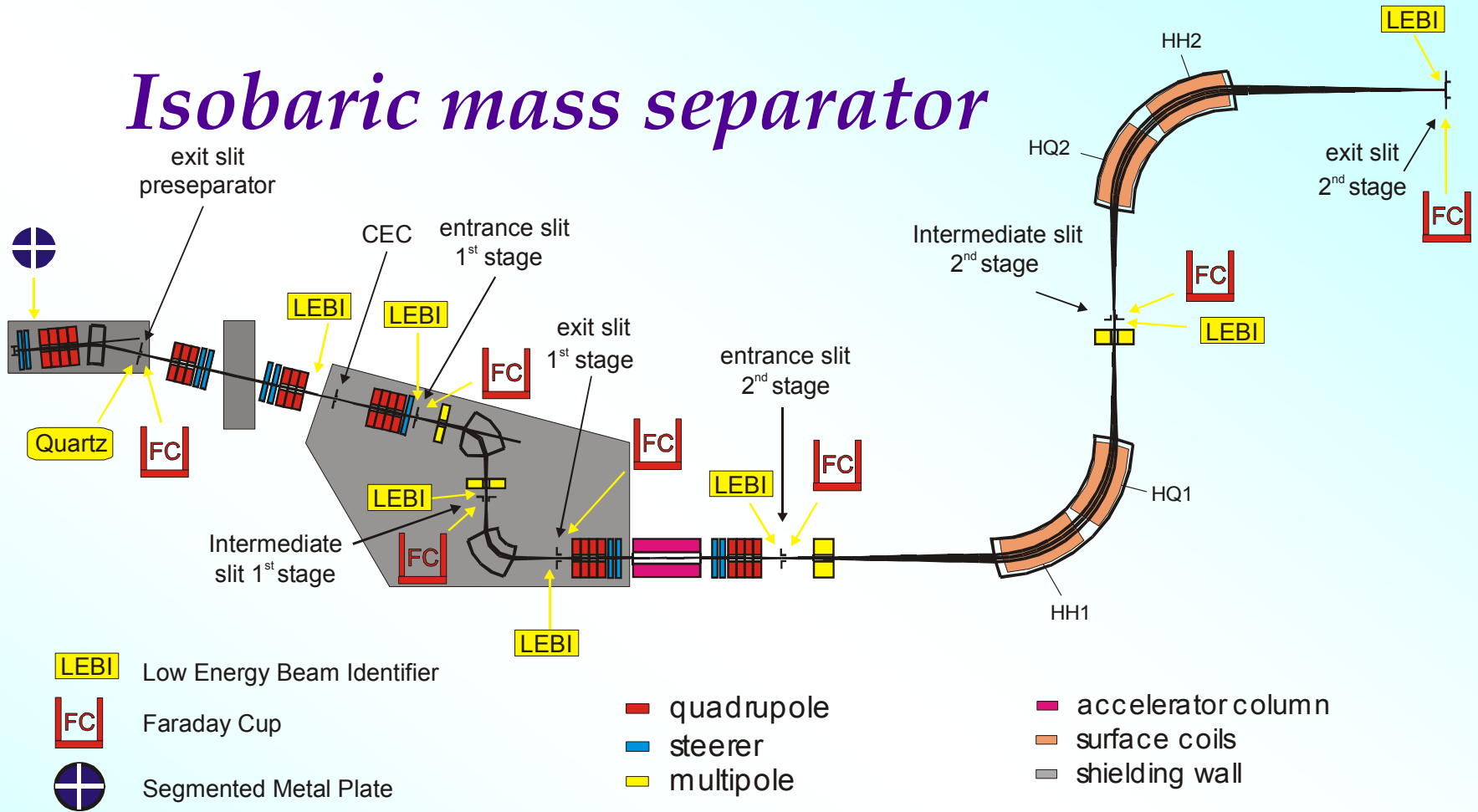


Figure 6 : Predicted angular distribution of the neutron dose for a 6 kW ^{19}S primary beam.



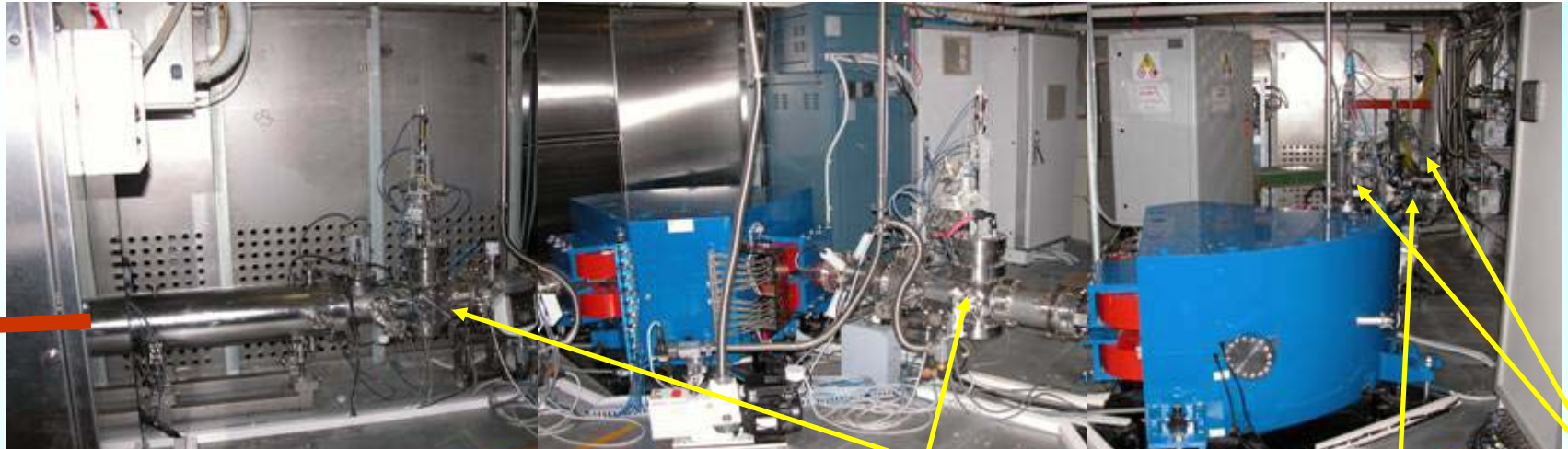
Isobaric mass separator



The mass separator system consists on 2 stages, the first stage on two platforms at High Voltage (up to 250 kV).
 The design transmission efficiency is $\sim 100\%$ with a beam of $\varepsilon_x = \varepsilon_y = 4\pi$ mm mrad ($x_0 = y_0 = \pm 0.2$ mm, $a_0 = b_0 = \pm 0.2$ mm).
 The mass resolution of each step is:

- $(\Delta M/M)_{Pre} \approx 180$ (Pre-separator : 18° magnet and a set of 4 electrostatic quadrupoles)
- $(\Delta M/M)_{1st} \approx 2000$ (I stage: 2 magnets (77° e 90°) and 2 sets of 4 electrostatic quadrupoles)
- $(\Delta M/M)_{2nd} \approx 20000$ (II stage: 2 magnets (90° , $\rho = 2.6$ m) and a set of 4 electrostatic quadrupoles)

First and Second stage of the isobaric mass separator

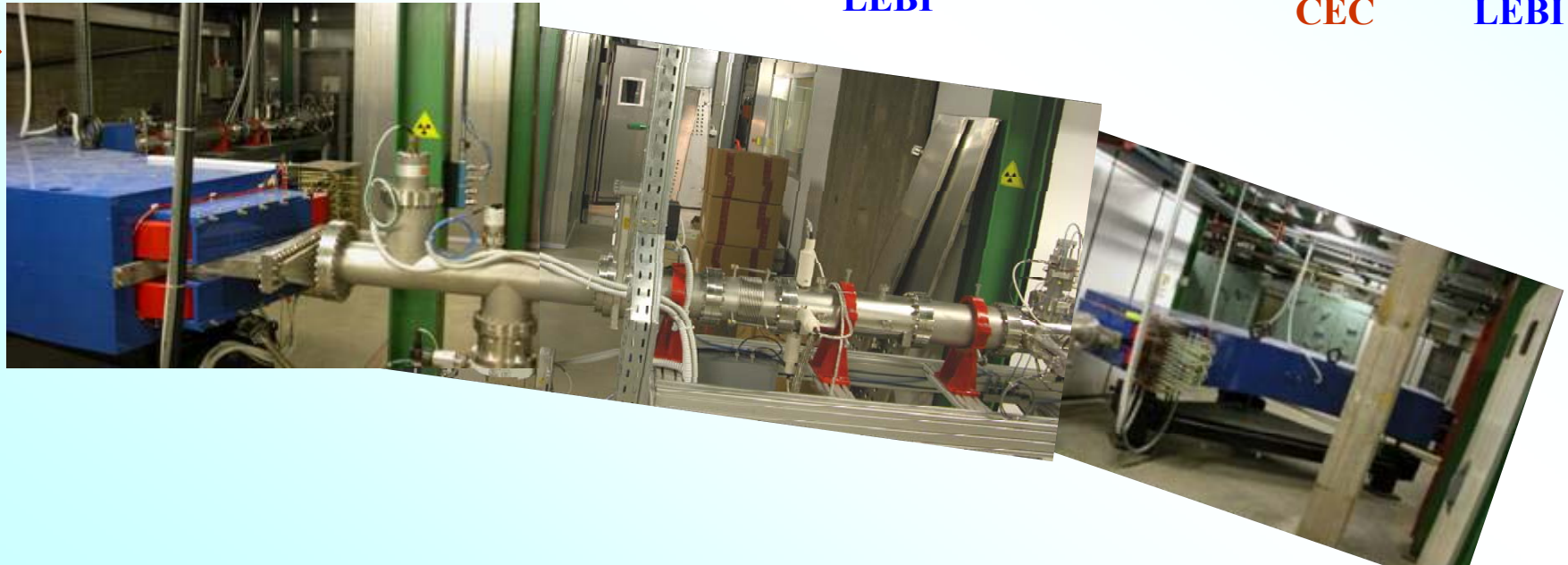


To second stage separator

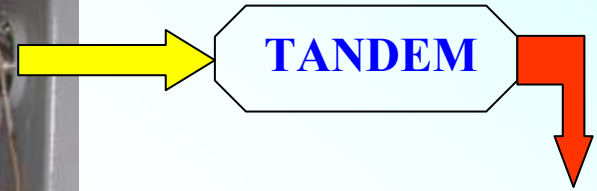
LEBI

CEC

LEBI



Beam lines to the Tandem



**Experimental
rooms**



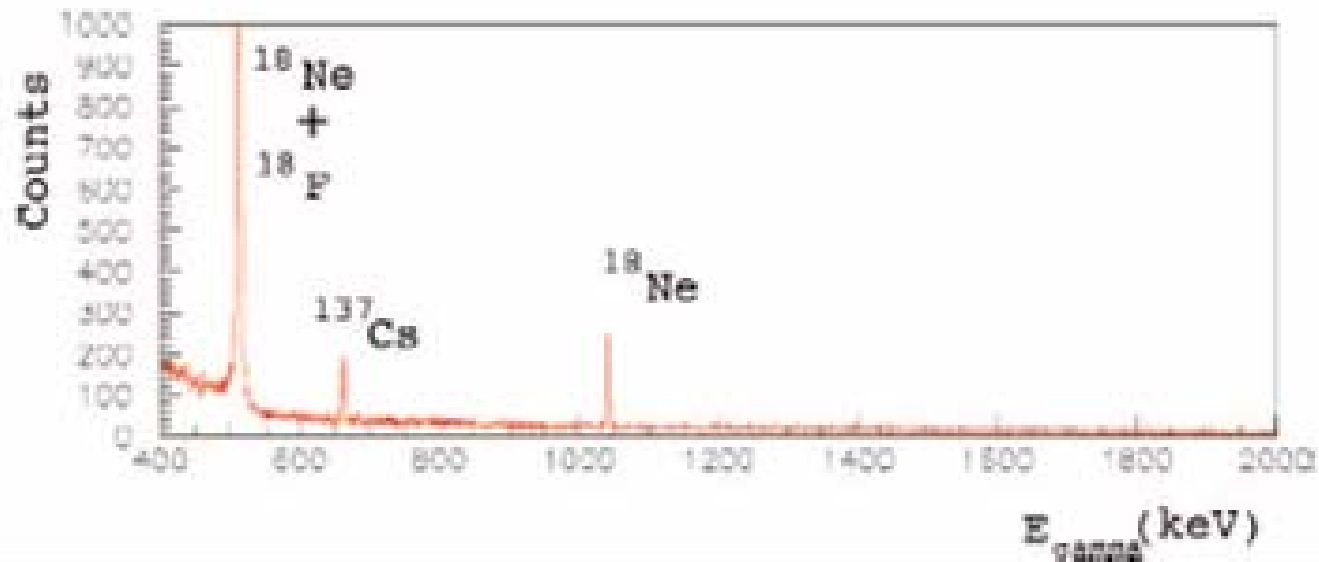
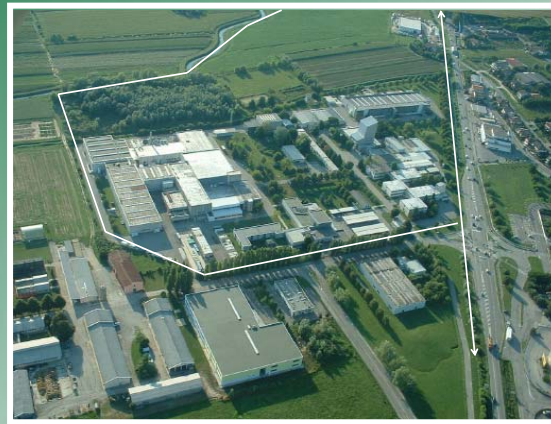


Figure 3 : Energy spectrum of the germanium detector during the first experiment at SPIRAL. The ^{18}Ne is clearly identified with the 1041 keV gamma ray. The 671 keV is emitted by the ^{137}Cs of the calibration source used.

Check beam purity with gamma spectroscopy!



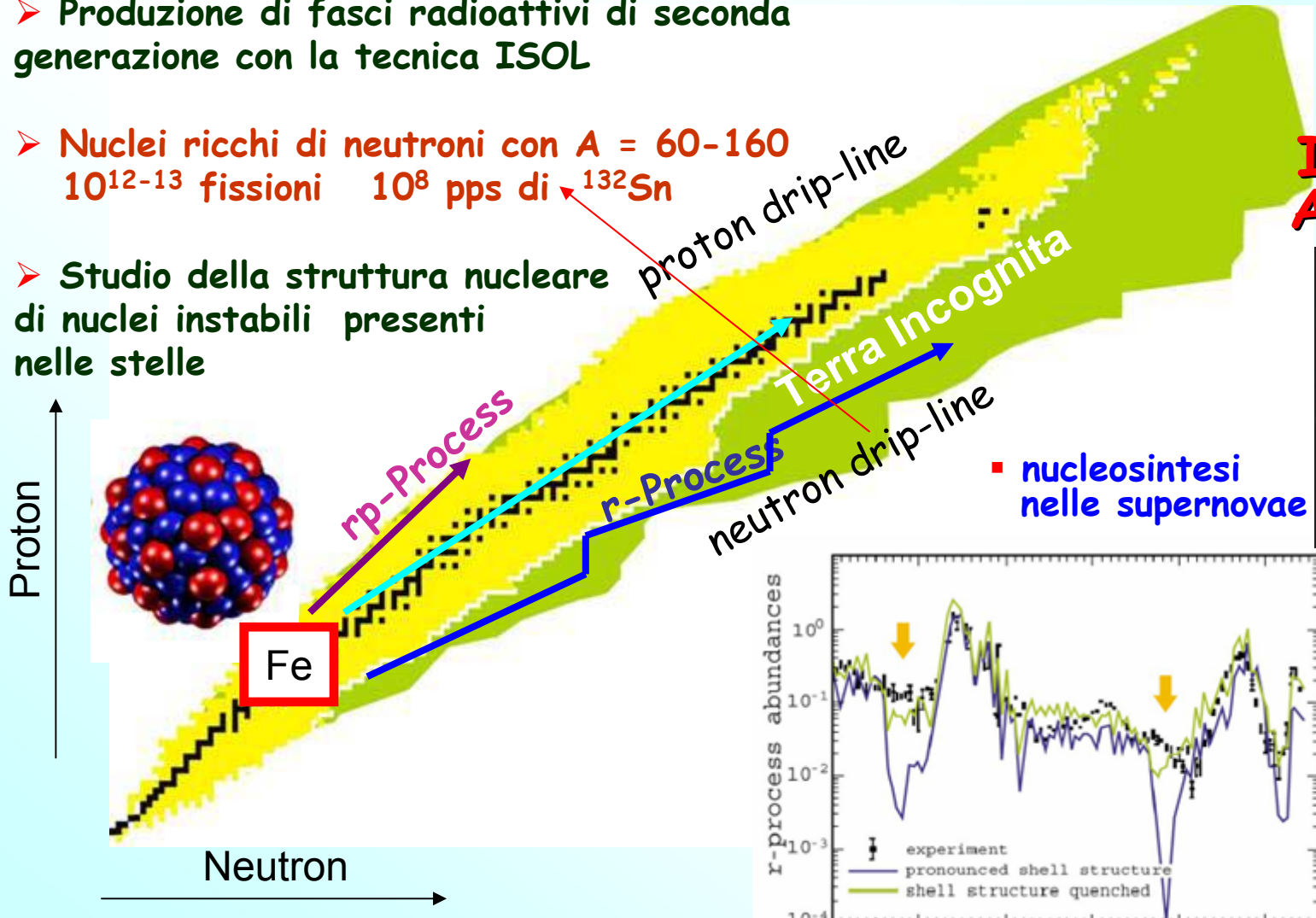
SPIES

A Mid-term RNB Facility
Based on a 40 MeV Proton
Driver and on the Multi-
Slice Direct Target Concept

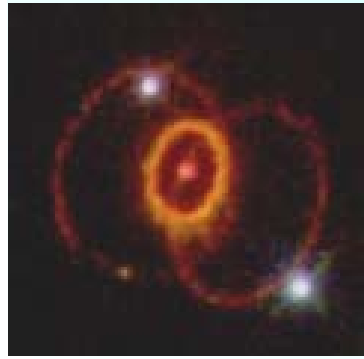
La frontiera in struttura nucleare: Il limite della stabilita' Nucleare

SPES a LNL

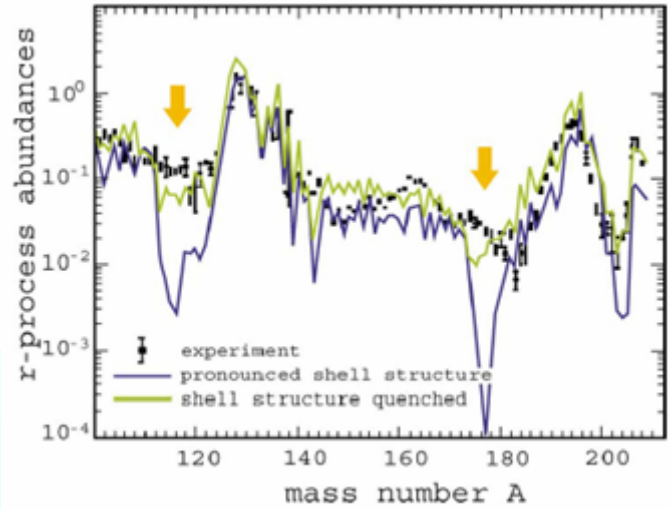
- Produzione di fasci radioattivi di seconda generazione con la tecnica ISOL
- Nuclei ricchi di neutroni con $A = 60-160$
 10^{12-13} fissioni 10^8 pps di ^{132}Sn
- Studio della struttura nucleare di nuclei instabili presenti nelle stelle



Implicazioni Astrofisiche



▪ nucleosintesi nelle supernovae



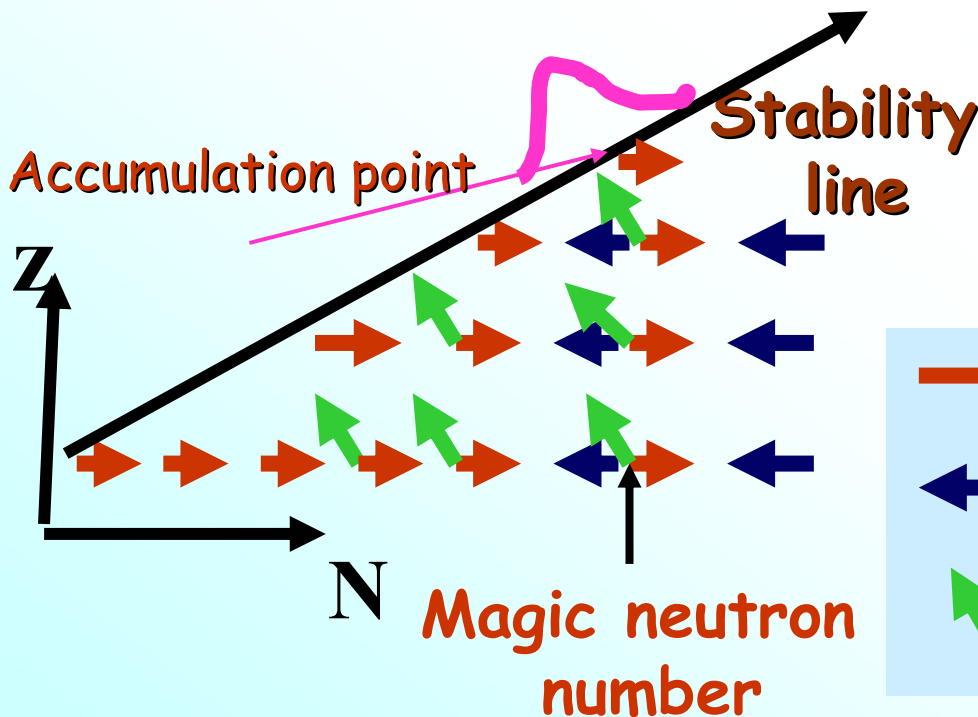
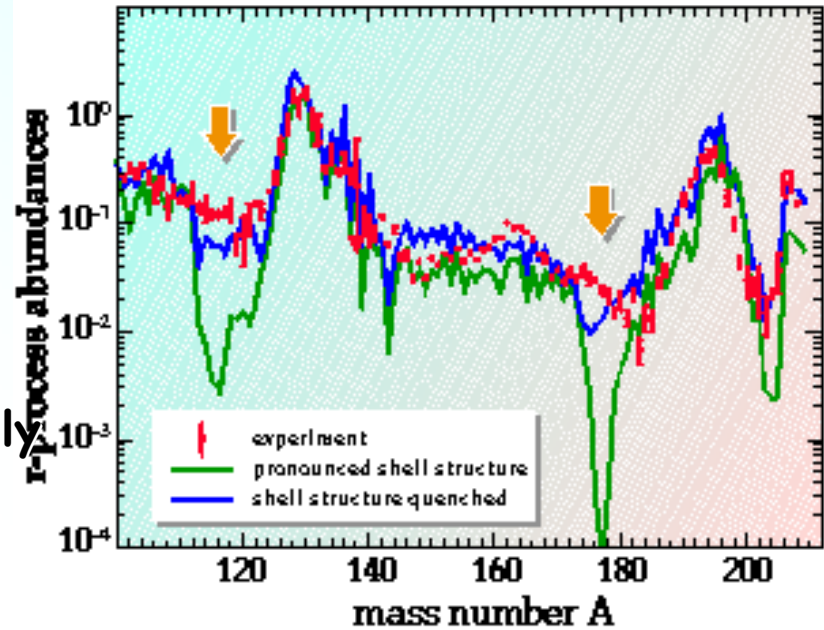
- abbondanze r-process
- waiting points nuclei

The r-process

Abundance peak in the r-nuclei distribution

Decrease of S_n

Photodisintegration competes with neutron capture and eventually Equilibrium is reached and then neutron capture is stopped



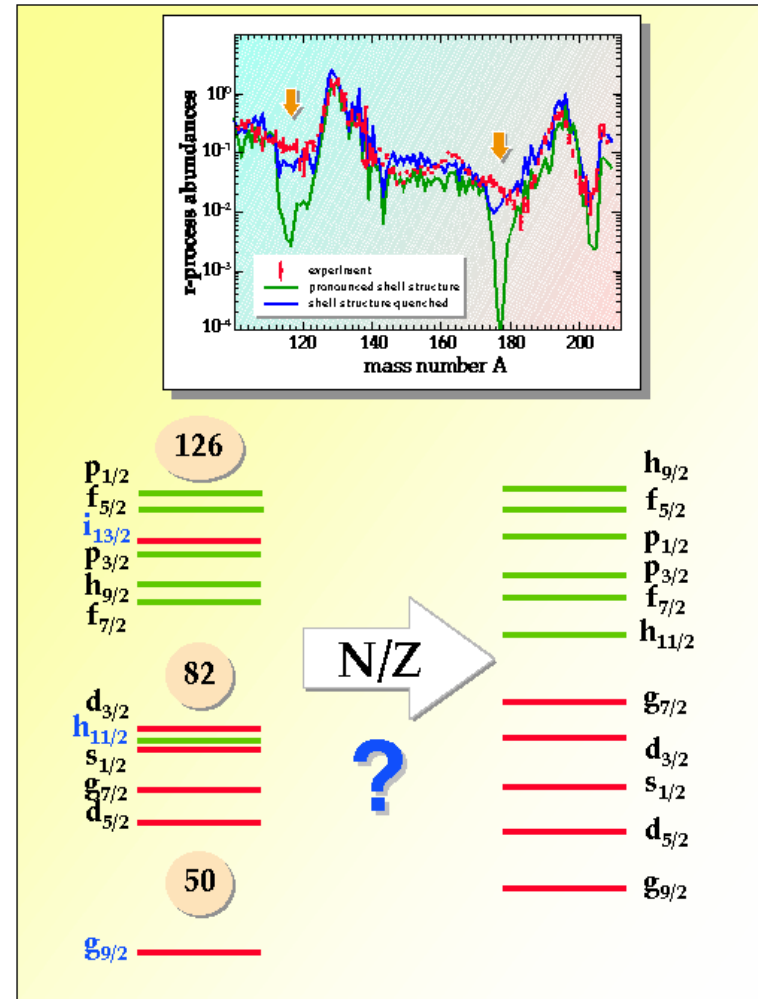
r-process is characterized by neutron densities and temperature so that (n, γ) is faster than β decay

	(n, γ)
	(γ, n)
	β decay

Nuclear physics in r-process

R-process involves many unstable exotic nuclei and their properties need to be known:

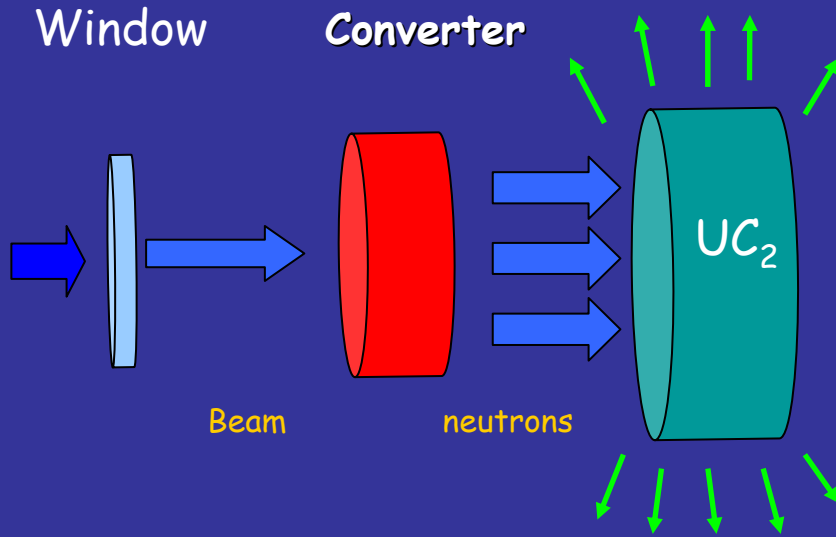
- Ground state properties
- Optical potential
- Level densities
- Gamma-ray strength function
- Reaction rates
- Beta-decay rates
- Shell structure and its evolution with N/Z



Produce and accelerate RIB to undertake this program

Bersaglio di produzione di nuclei instabili

Possible Target Configurations:

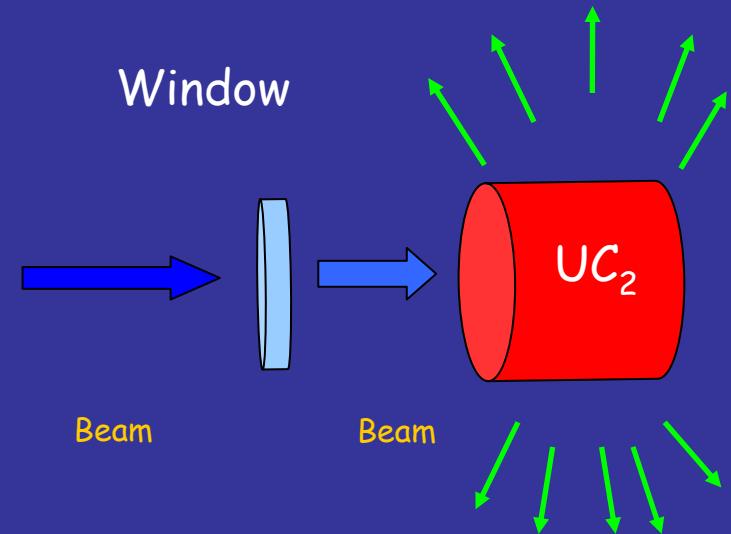


2 STEP:

Use of neutron converter

Better beam: deuteron

Beam Power send to the Converter



1 STEP:

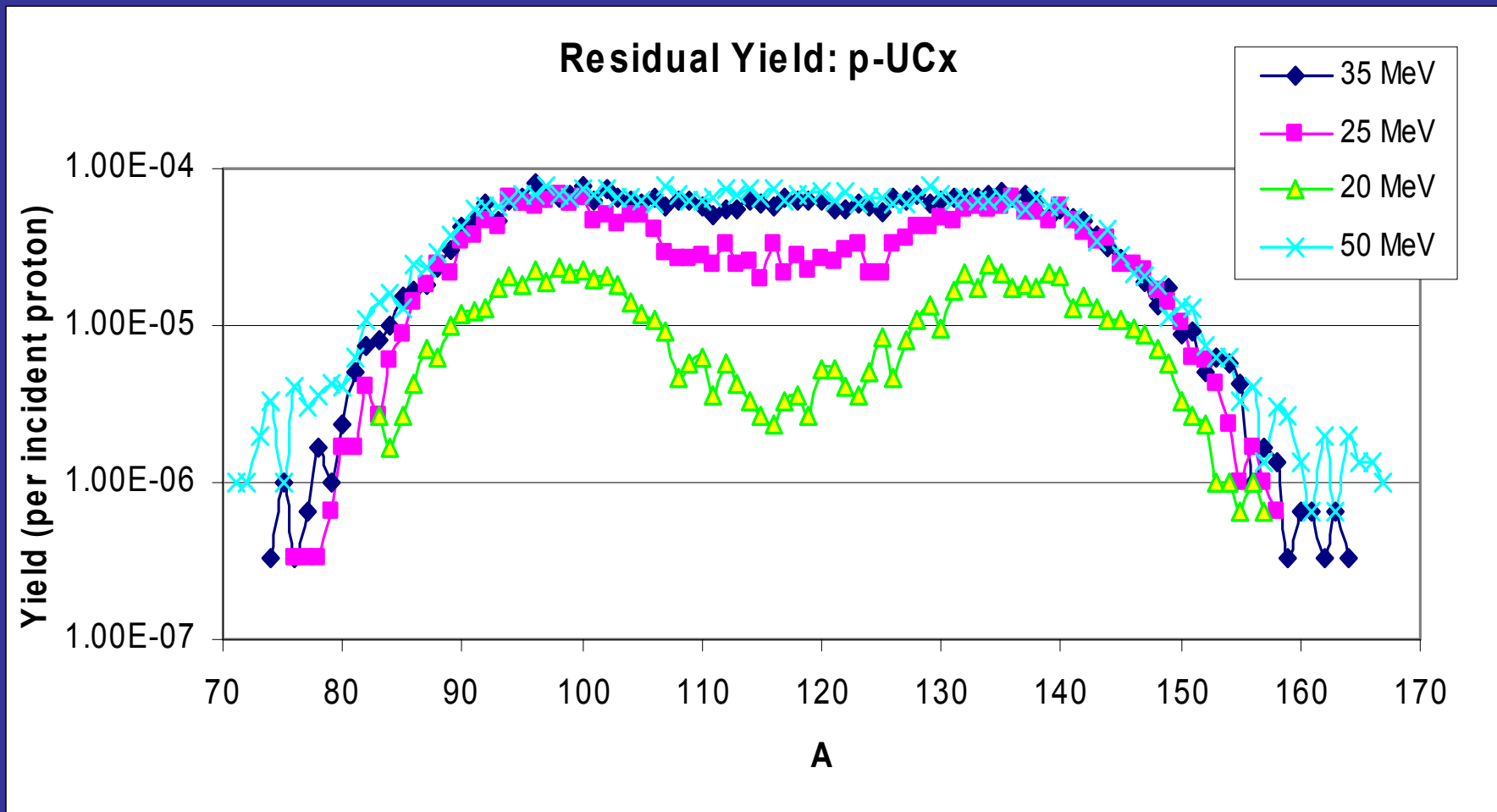
Direct beam on target

Better beam: proton

Beam Power send to the Target

Fission Mass Spectra: $p \rightarrow UC_2$

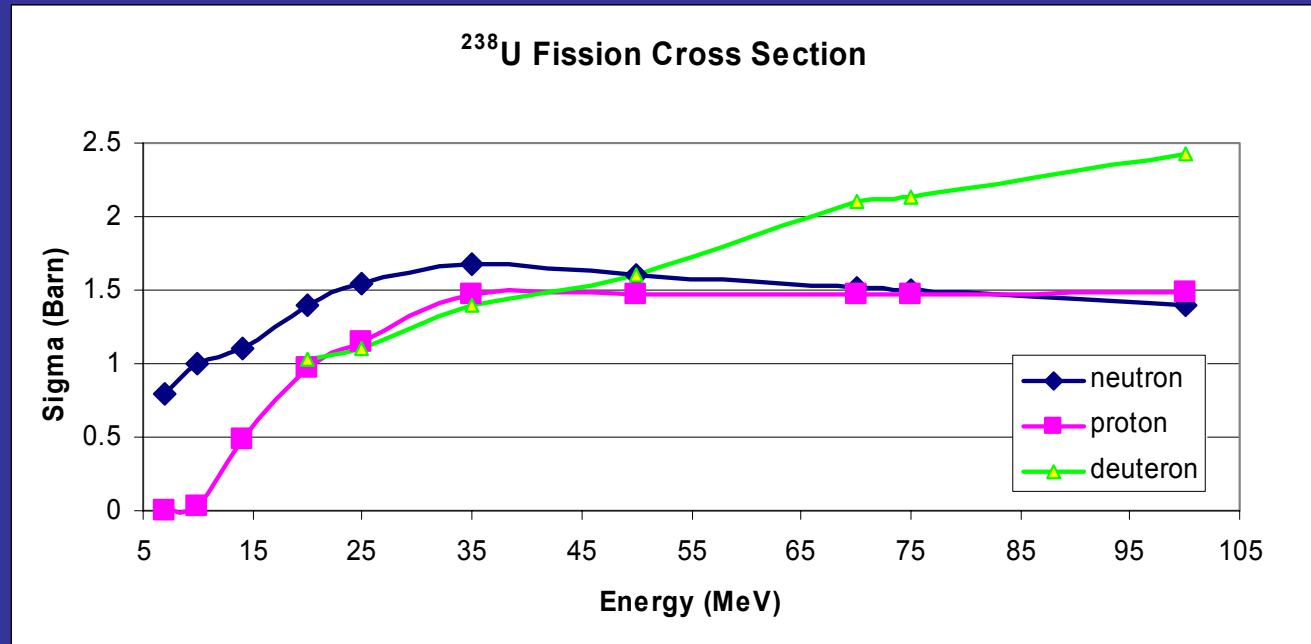
Using MCNPX code: Single Target 2 mm thin, $\rho = 2.5 \text{ g/cm}^3$



Fission Cross Sections

Experimental Fission Cross Sections of $^{238}\text{U} \rightarrow (\text{UC}_2 \text{ is a } ^{238}\text{U} \text{ compound})$

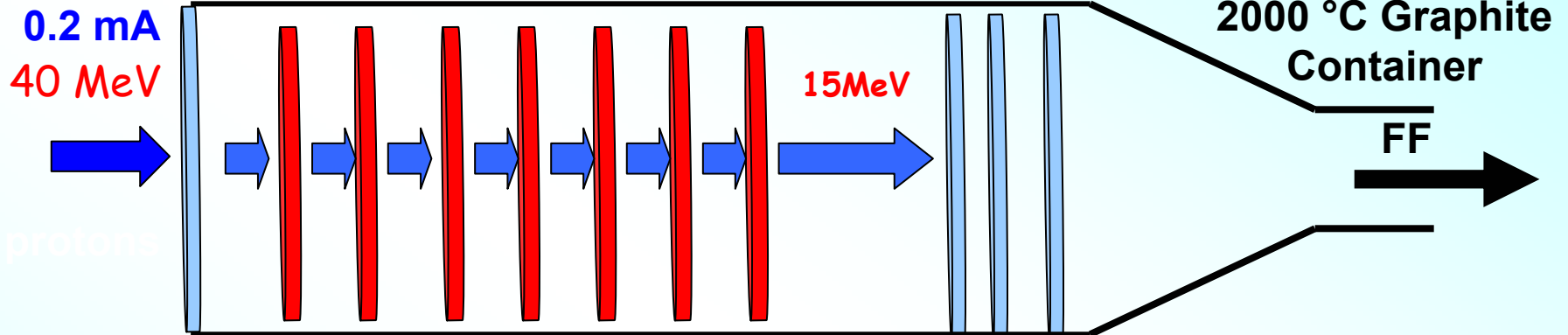
- Phys Rev 111(1958) 886;
- Nucl Phys A175(1971) 177;
- Nucle. Sci. Eng. 136 (2000) 340



→ Almost flat for neutrons and protons energies higher than 30 MeV (~ 1.5 Barn)

→ Around 35 MeV the same for p,n,d

The Multi-Slice Direct Target Concept



C Window
-1.2 MeV

UCx Targets
($s = 1.5 \rightarrow 1$ mm)
 2.5 g/cm^3 , 4.5 kW
600 W/disc (100 W/g)

Dump (graphite slices)
 1.75 g/cm^3 , 3 kW

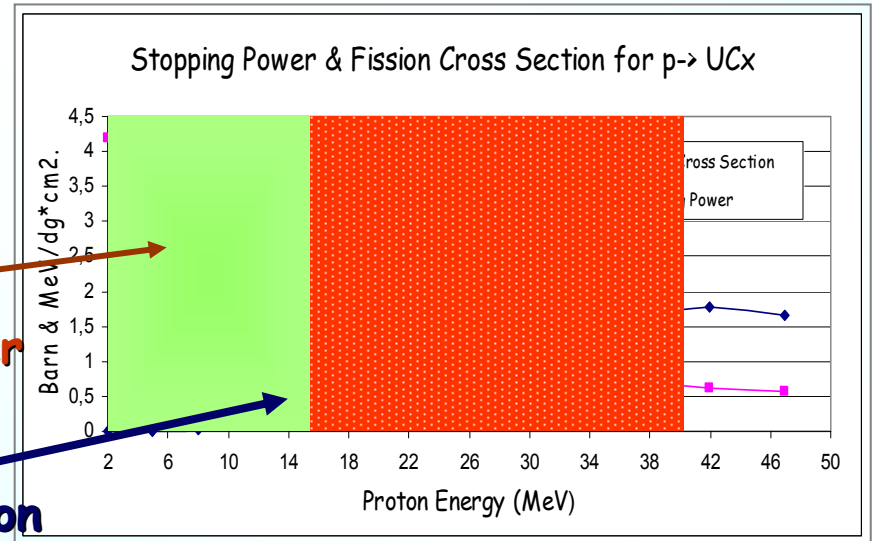
ΔE Targ ≈ 2.5 MeV

ΔE Window = 1.4 MeV

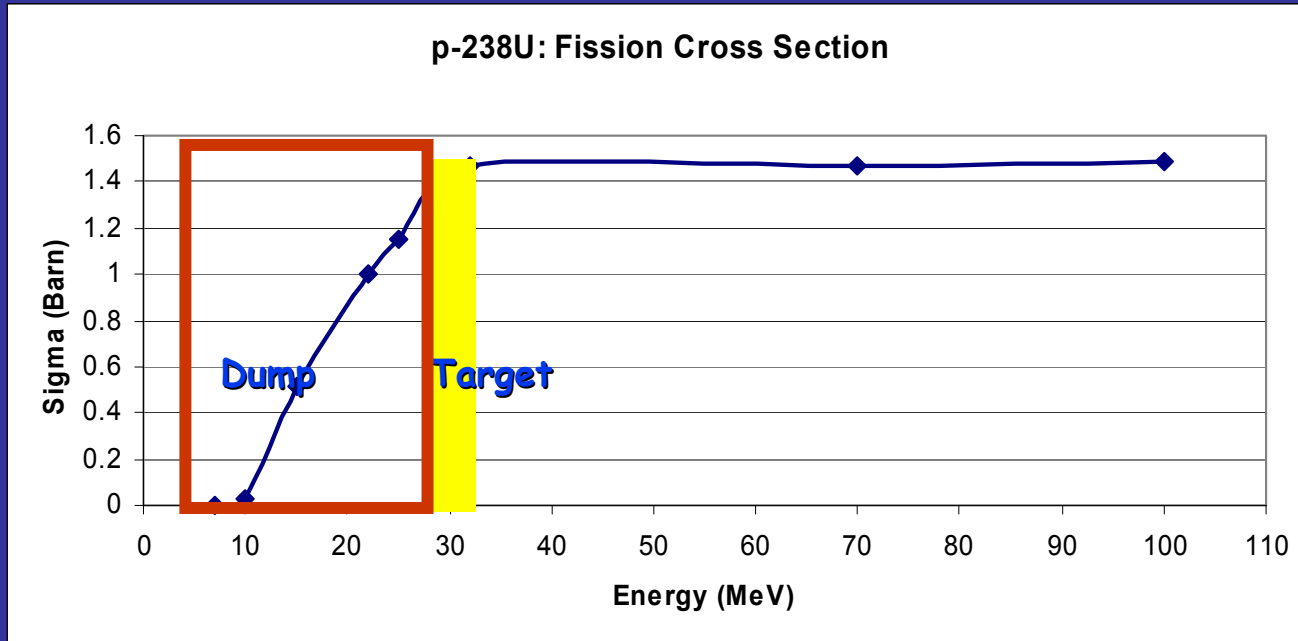
700 W in each slide

Stopping power

Fission cross section



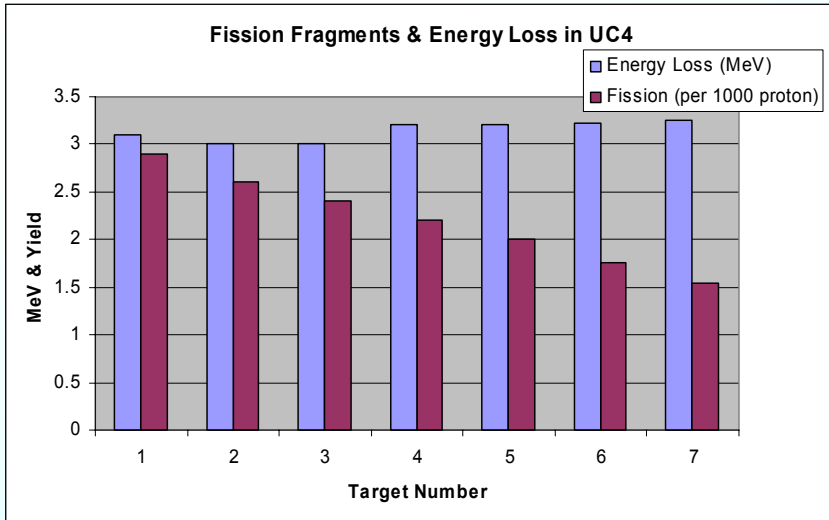
Proposal for 1 Step Thin Target:



Use a Thin UC_2 Target ->

To transfer a huge amount of Power to the Dump!

40 MeV Multiple Target #2



Fission efficiency →

100p per 1.5 fission Fragments

~ 200 μA → 10^{13} fissions/sec

Beam power = 40 MeV p × 200 μA
= 8 KW

Power distribution:

Direct target → 7 disks 6 cm ϕ ~1 mm thick

Energy loss UCx (60gr) 23 MeV → 4.2 KW

(600 W each disk, ~70 W/gr)

Window energy loss → 200 W

beam-dump → 3.5 KW

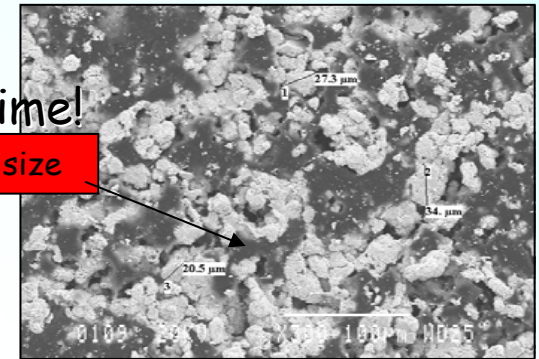
(HRIBF target: 100 W/gr)
OAK RIDGE

Diffusion process with RIBO

- Diffusor Grain Size: $d=10 \mu\text{m}$ (very conservative number)
- $T= 2000 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
- Diffusion coefficient = $9\text{E-}9 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$ (input parameter - estimate)

- Diffusion time = 1.6 s \rightarrow 95% of total time!
- Average flight path: 15 μm

Grain size

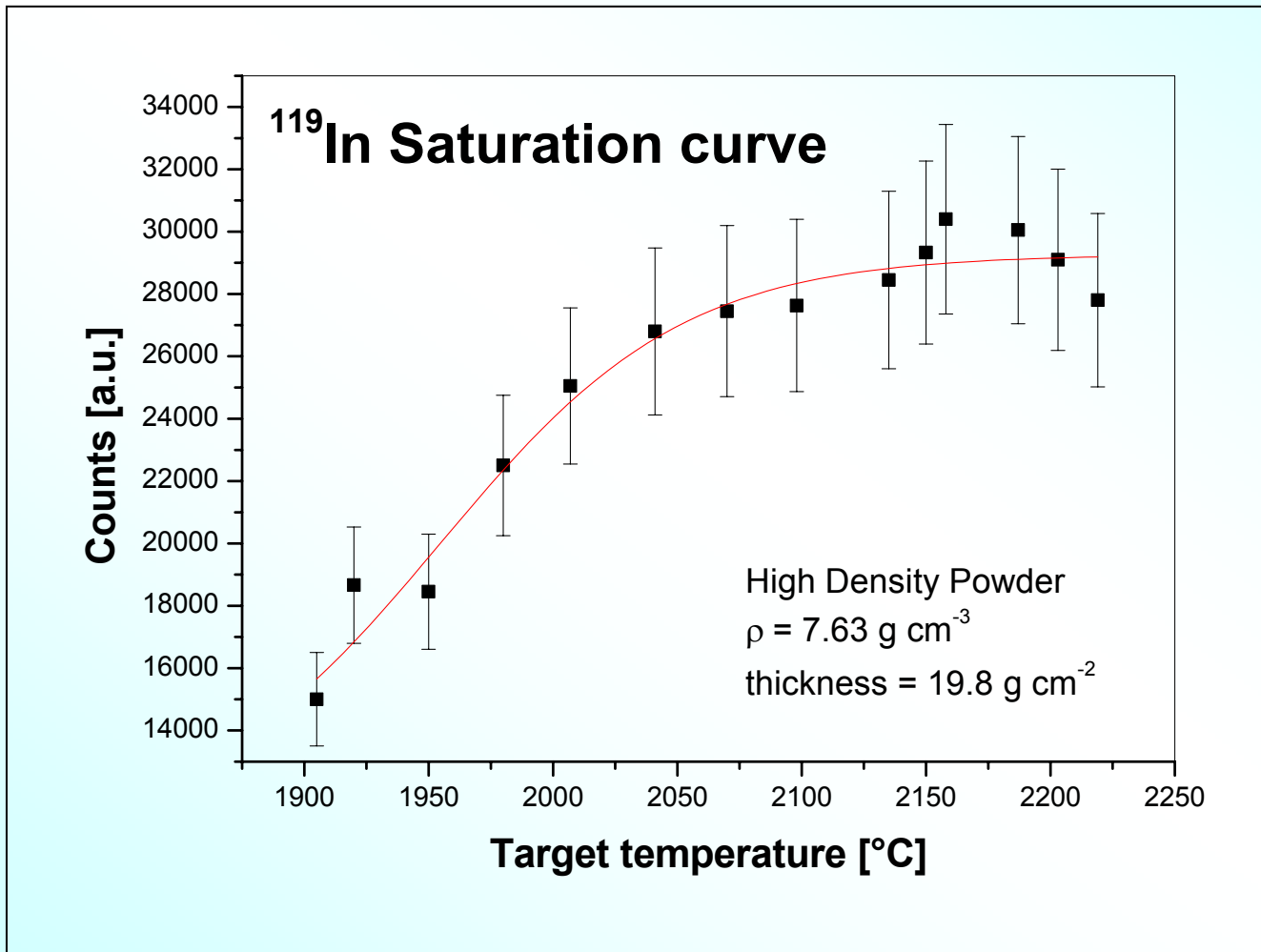


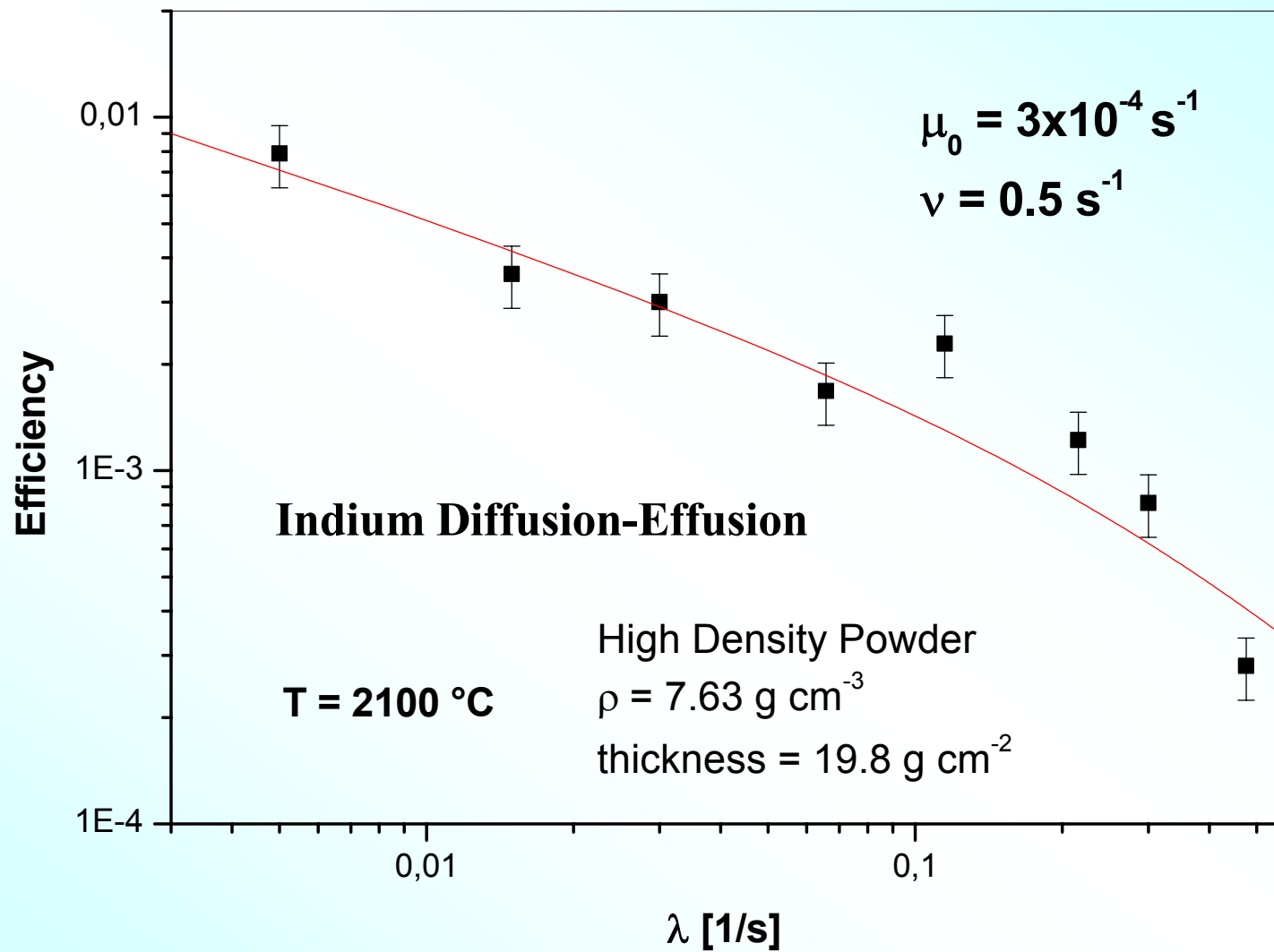
- Grain Size Parametrization :

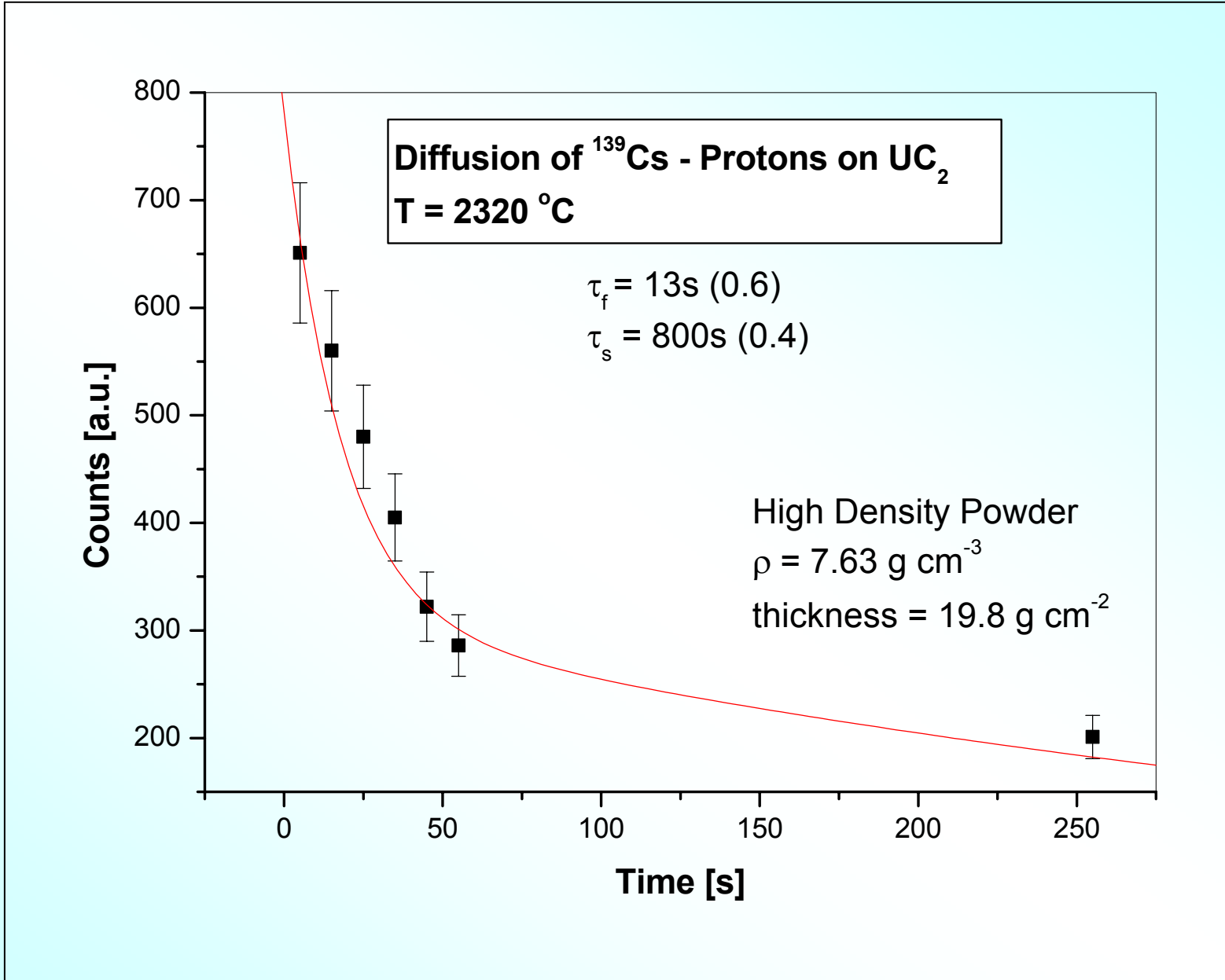
- $d = 5 \mu\text{m} \rightarrow$ Diffusion Time = 0.4 s !
- $d = 3 \mu\text{m} \rightarrow$ Diffusion Time = 0.1 s !!

**-Diffusion Strogly dependent of
diffusor Grain Size!**

Trovare la temperatura ottimale







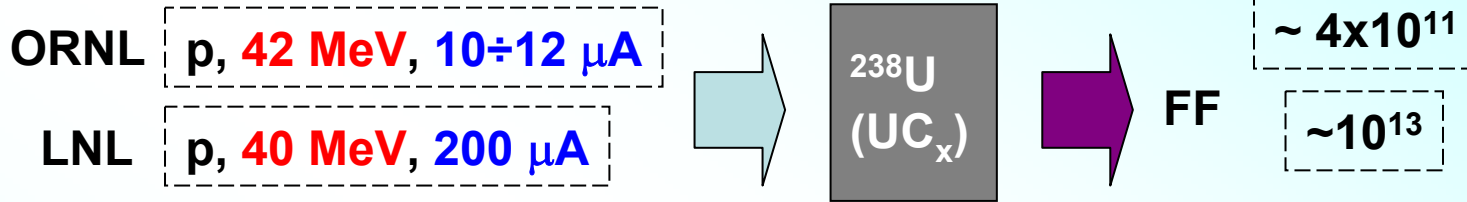
Preliminary Results with RIBO

^{132}Sn ($T_{1/2}=40$ s)	No Sticking Time	Sticking Time on Ta = 0.1 ms
T_{effusion} (s)	0.25	0.61
Average free path (m)	144	139
Average number of collisions	3770	3640

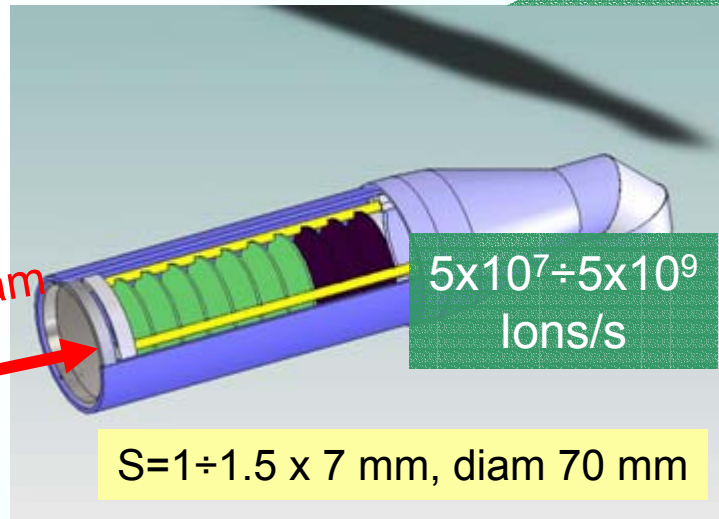
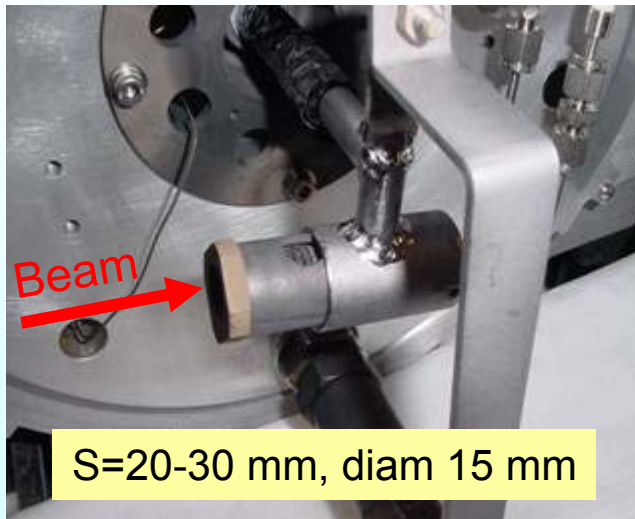
Results in accord with GEANT4 calculation →

Effusion Less than 1 s !

Evolution of the DT Approach

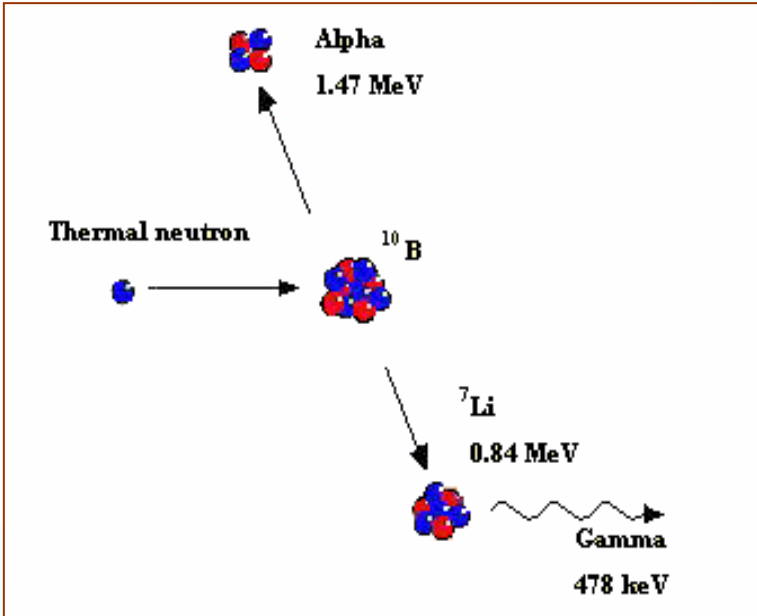
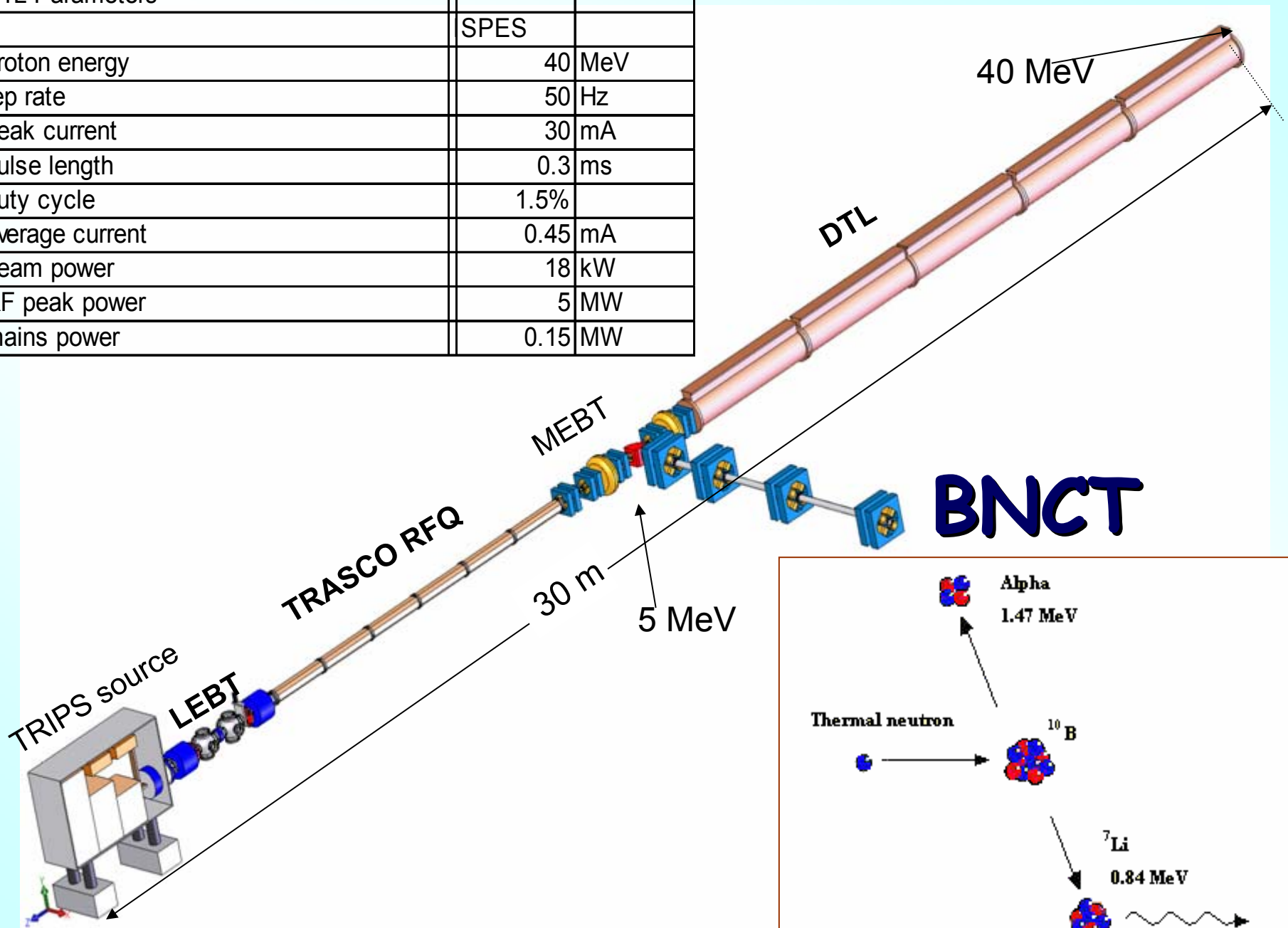


Ga	67-84
Ge	75-85
As	69-85
Se	81-88
Br	83-91
Kr	86-92
Rb	88-94
Sr	90-97
Y	91-95
Ag	112-121
Cd	117-121
In	117-127
Sn	123-136
Sb	126-134
Te	129-136
I	130-139
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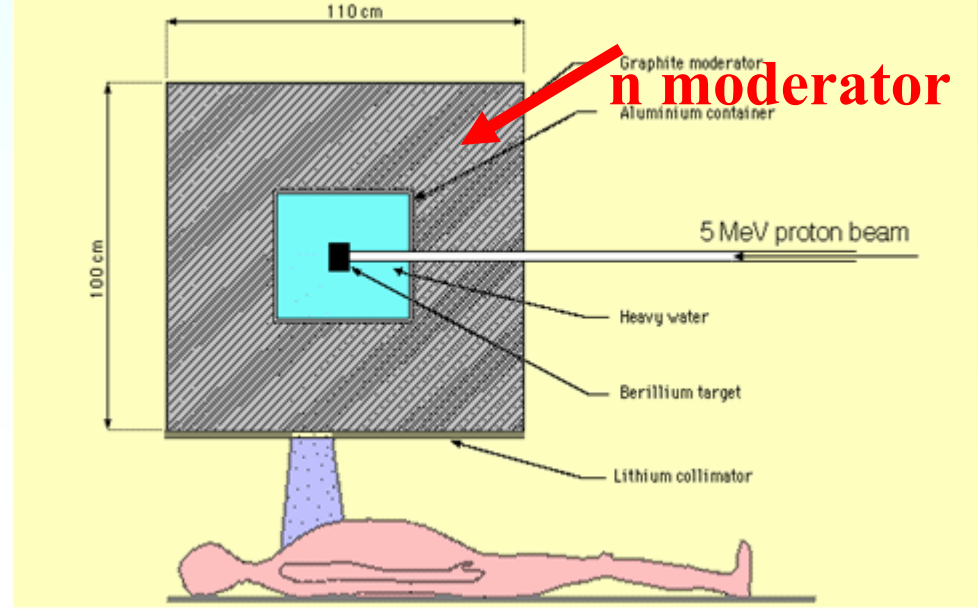
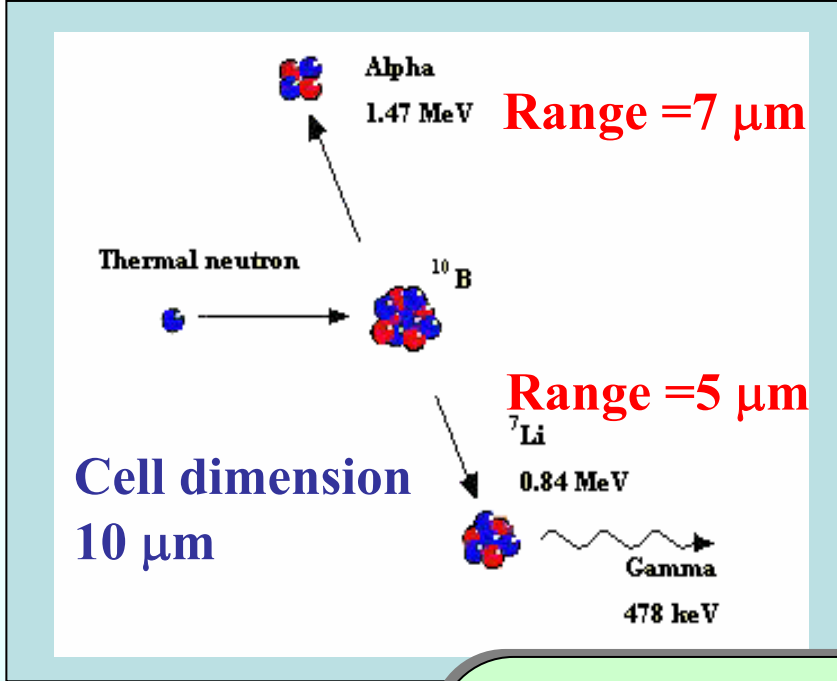


- Total of 1200 hours operation with 10-12 μ A of 42 MeV protons
- More than 120 different radioactive beams extracted
- 400 W deposited in target (power density is 97 W/g, as LNL-project)

DTL Parameters		SPES	
proton energy		40	MeV
rep rate		50	Hz
peak current		30	mA
pulse length		0.3	ms
duty cycle		1.5%	
average current		0.45	mA
beam power		18	kW
RF peak power		5	MW
mains power		0.15	MW



How BNCT Work?



- $\phi_{\text{th}} (\leq \sim 0.5 \text{ eV})$ [n/cm²s] $\geq 1 \cdot 10^9$
- $\phi_{\text{th}}/\phi_{\text{total}}$ $\geq \sim 0.9$
- $D_{\text{n,fast}} + D_{\text{n,epi}} + D_{\gamma}$ (cumulative dose) [Gy] $\leq \sim 2$ (for a B10 tumour dose of $\sim 20 \text{ Gy}$)
- $(D_{\text{n,fast}} + D_{\text{n,epi}} + D_{\gamma})/\phi_{\text{th}}$ [Gy·cm²·n⁻¹] $\leq \sim 4 \cdot 10^{-13}$
- Fast energy group E > 10 keV
- Epithermal energy group 10 keV > E > 0.5 eV
- Thermal energy group E < $\sim 0.5 \text{ eV}$

Neutron energy distribution at different angles:

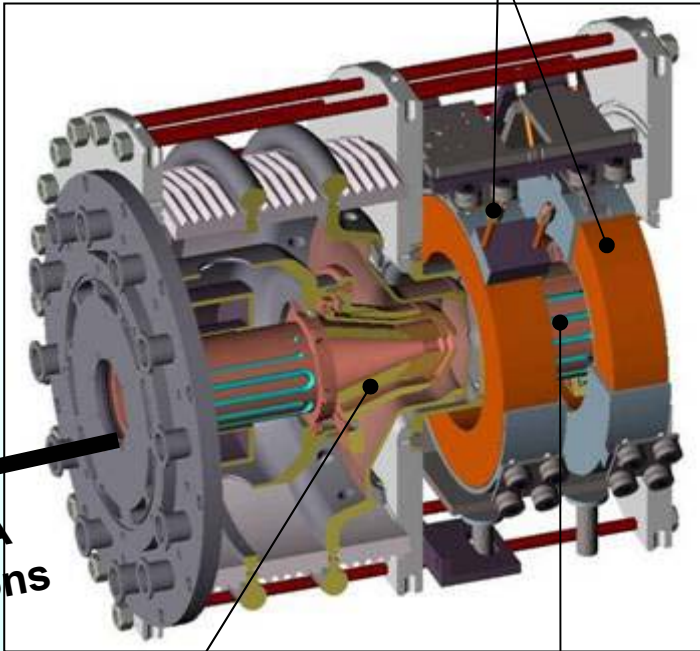
5 MeV protons

Be and ¹³C targets

Liquid scintillator, time of flight, CN measurements

The TRASCO Ion Source TRIPS (built by INFN-LNS)

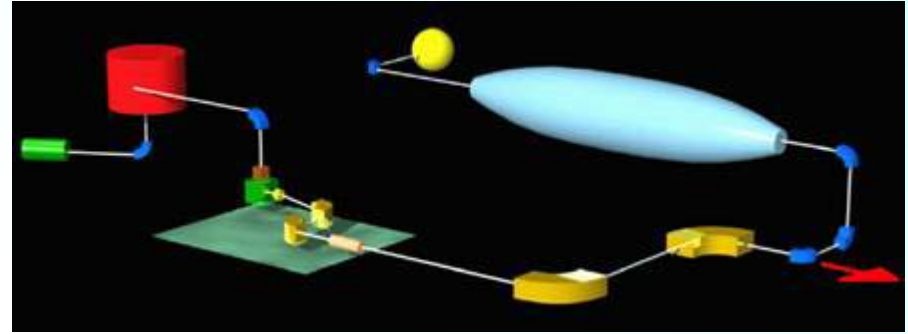
Solenoids



40 mA
protons

Extraction electrodes
(80 kV)

Water cooled
plasma chamber

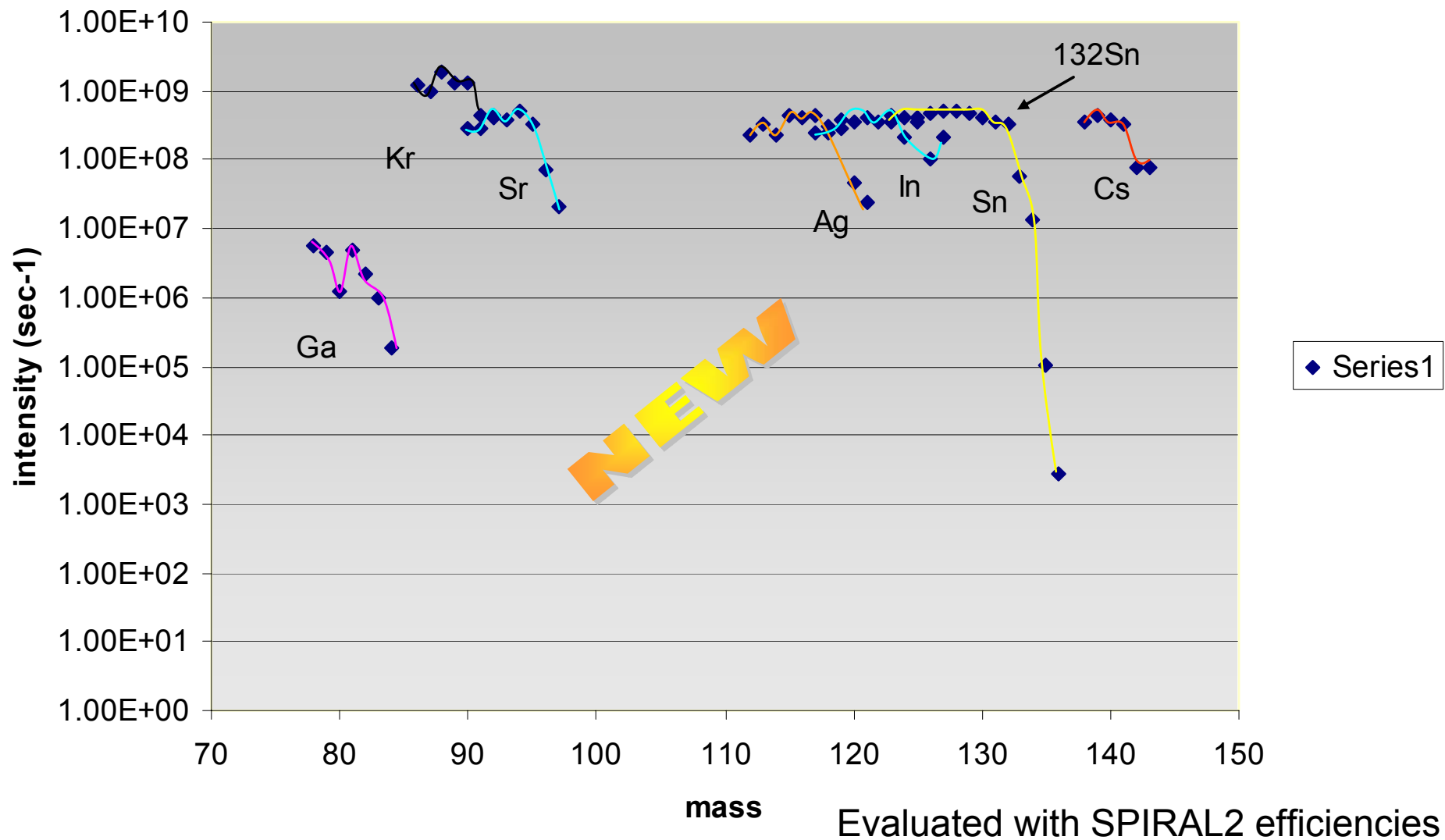


Know how for target
development also from
the EXCYT project at
LNS

Nominal current (40 mA) at low emittance (~ 0.1 mm mrad rms)
has been measured (LNS)

SPES production rates

Beam on Target



Schedule

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Target prototypes	■	■	■				
Authorization to construction	■	■	■				
Facility Design	■	■	■				
Building Construction			■	■			
Completion of driver (1st part-RFQ)	■	■	■				
Installation and commissioning of SPES-1					■	■	
Construction of driver (2nd part-DTL)		■	■	■		■	
Installation and comm. of the full driver						■	
Installation and comm of the target system			■	■			
Alpi preparation for post acceleration	■	■	■	■			
Installation of RIBs transfer lines and spectrom.				■	■		
Complete commissioning							■

Instrumentation

Gamma spectroscopy connected to an instrument to identify and characterize the:

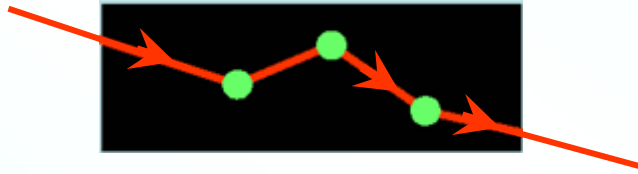
- nucleus produced in the reaction and
- emitting the gamma-rays

Simultaneous information on

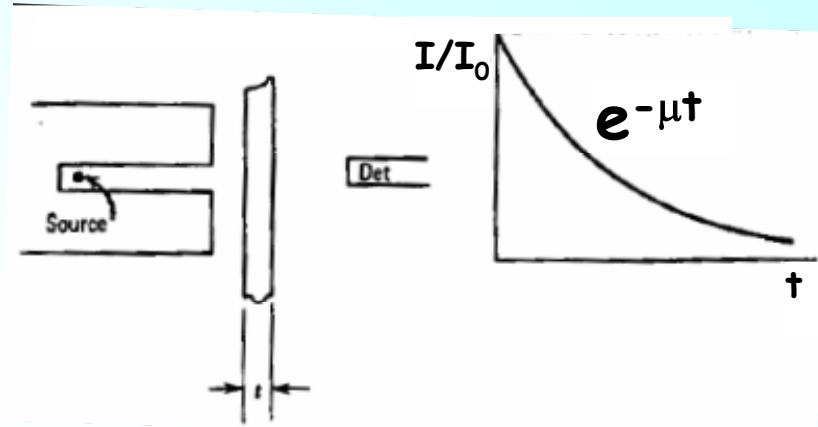
- the reaction mechanisms
- the nuclear structure

γ -ray interaction

ionization occurs
in limited regions of the absorber

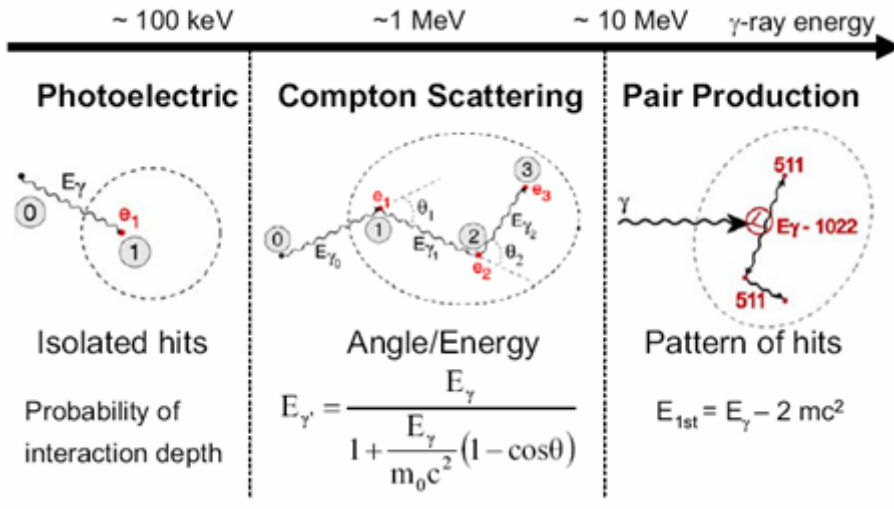
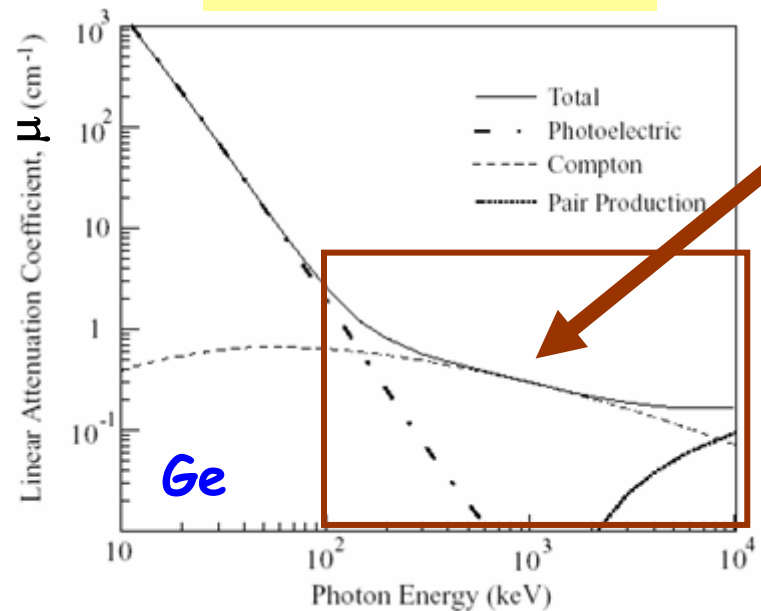


$$I = I_0 e^{-\mu x}$$



Linear attenuation coefficient
(probability per unit path)

$$\mu = \sigma_{ph} + \sigma_C + \sigma_{pp}$$



$$\sigma_{ph} \approx \frac{Z^n}{E_\gamma^{3.5}}$$

$$n = 4 - 5$$

$$\sigma_C \approx Z \frac{\ln E_\gamma}{E_\gamma}$$

$$\sigma_{pp} \approx Z^2 \ln E_\gamma$$

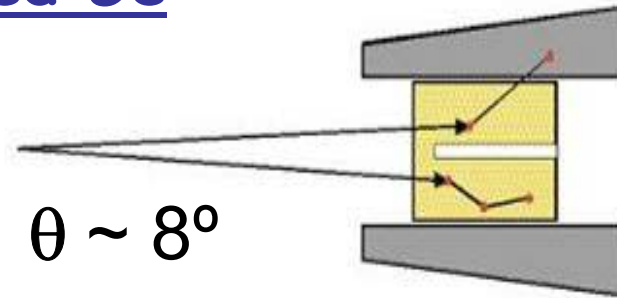
From conventional arrays to γ -ray tracking

Compton Shielded Ge

$\epsilon_{ph} \sim 10\%$

$N_{det} \sim 100$

$\Omega \sim 40\%$

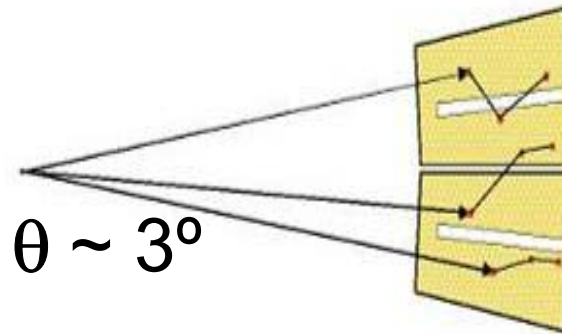


Efficiency is lost due to the solid angle covered by the shield; poor energy resolution at high recoil velocity because of the large opening angle

Ge Shell

$\epsilon_{ph} \sim 50\%$

$N_{det} \sim 1000$



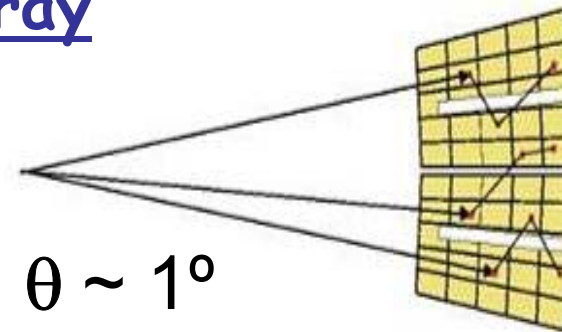
Using only conventional Ge detectors, too many detectors are needed to avoid summing effects and keep the resolution to good values

Ge Tracking Array

$\epsilon_{ph} \sim 50\%$

$N_{det} \sim 100$

$\Omega \sim 80\%$



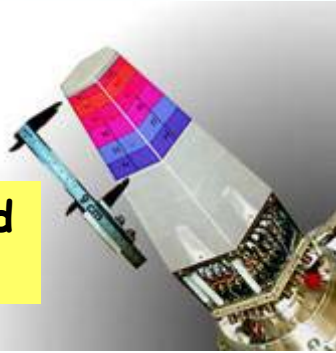
The proposed solution: Use the detectors in a non-conventional way!

AGATA and GRETA

Basic ingredients of AGATA

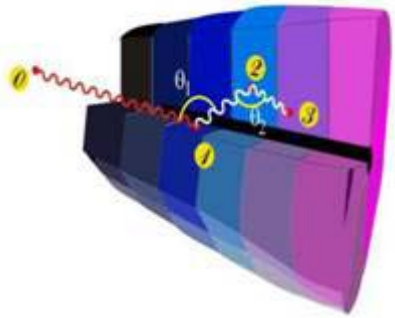
1

Highly segmented
HPGe detectors



2

Digital electronics
to record and
process segment
signals



Identified
interaction
points

$(x, y, z, E, t)_i$

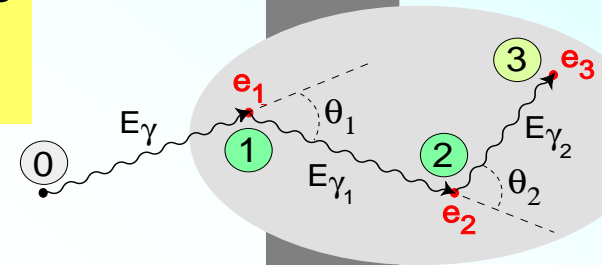
Pulse Shape Analysis
to decompose
recorded waves

3



4

Reconstruction of tracks
evaluating permutations
of interaction points



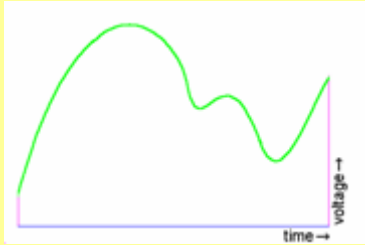
Reconstructed
gamma-rays

Digitization of electronic signals

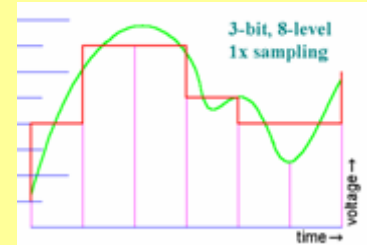
digitizing, or **digitization**, is the process of turning an analog (continuous) signal into a digital representation of that signal (sequence of integers)

way of storing signals in a form suitable for transmission and computer processing

Analog signal:
continuous variable



Digital signal:
discrete variable (sequence of integers)

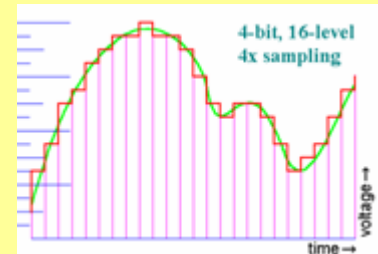


low sample frequency

Analog to digital conversion

Precision in digitization:

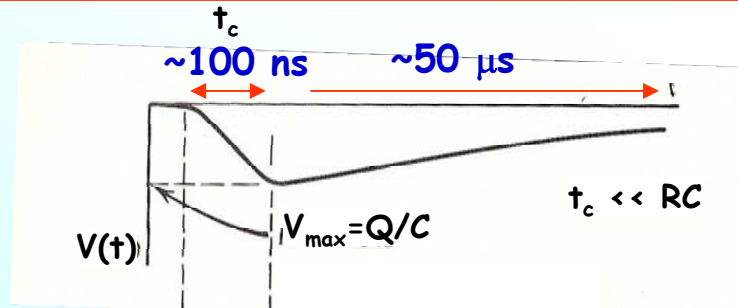
- sample frequency
- bits used to represent the integer



high sample frequency

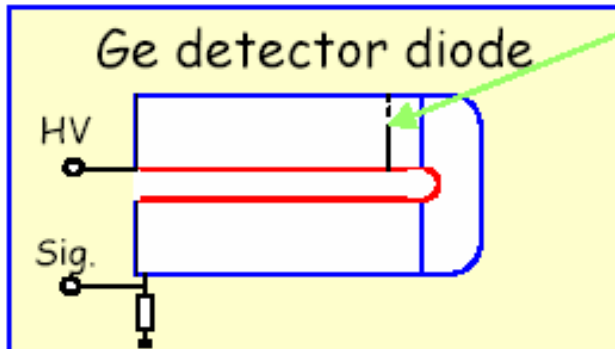
$t_c = 100 \text{ ns} = 10^{-7} \text{ s}$

Sample frequency $\sim 100 \text{ MHz}$
14 Bits = $2^{14} = 16384$

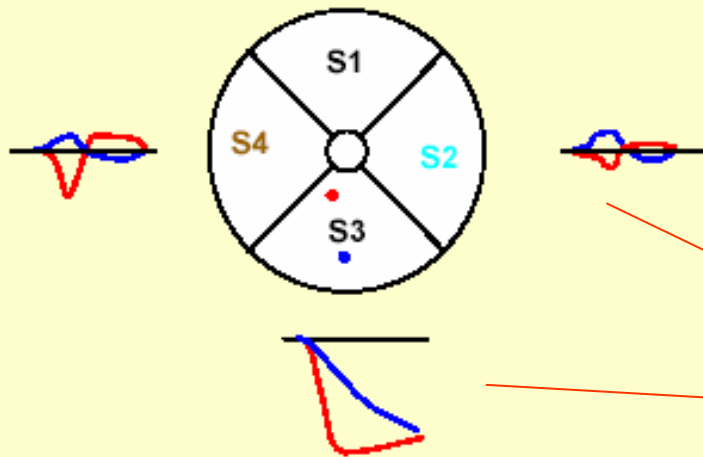


Analog signal
from **Ge** detector
pre-amplifier

Pulse Shape Analysis (PSA)



Segmented detector signals

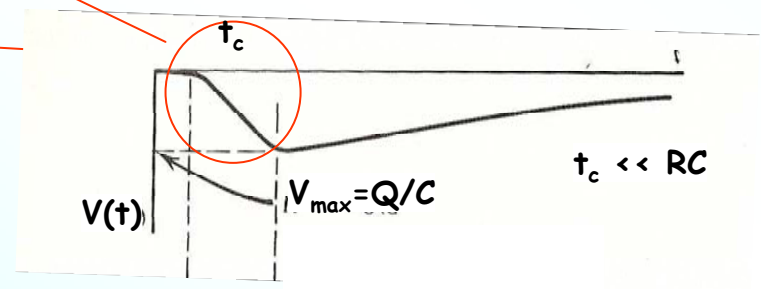


Radius: S3 signal rise time
Azimuthal angle: $S4 - S2 / (S4 + S2)$ Asymmetry

The charge collection process induces signals with **Shapes & Amplitude** depending on the interaction point

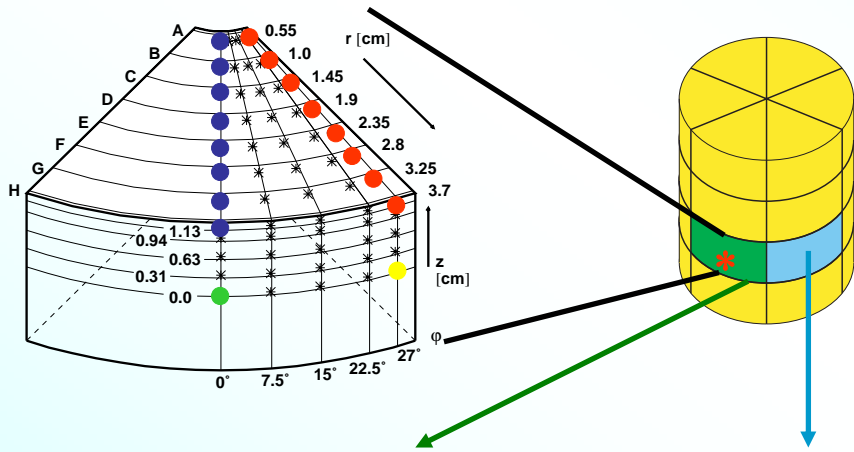
detailed study of **preamplifier signals**

particularly the **leading edge**, which carries information on the charge collection time



Pulse Shape Analysis (PSA)

Analysis of **amplitude & shape** of recorded signals in each segment allows to determine the **3-dimensional position** of interaction point

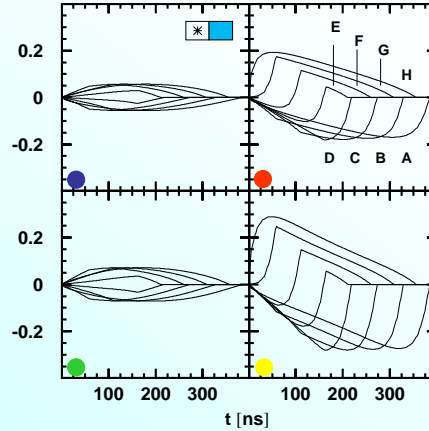
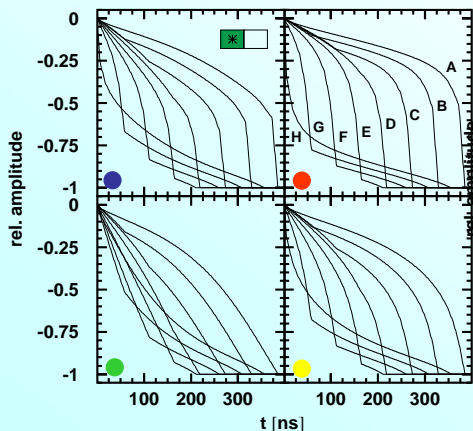


Procedure:

1. The charge collection process induces signals with **Shapes & Amplitude** depending on the interaction point
2. **Shapes & Amplitudes** can be calculated rather well using finite elements analysis
3. **Genetic algorithms** are used to determine points of interactions with ~2 mm precision

net charge signals (Q≠0)

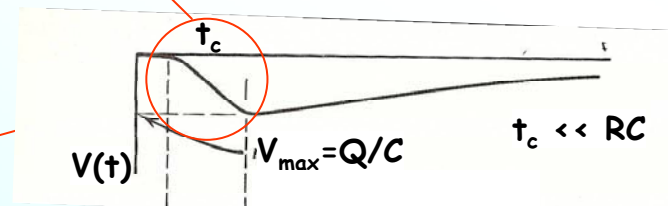
transient signals (Q=0)



leading edge signals from PREAMP

Digital electronics is needed to sample preamplifiers signals with fast ADC (100 MHz, 14 bits)

Only the subset of samples relative to the leading edge is transferred to ACQ



AGATA detector scanning

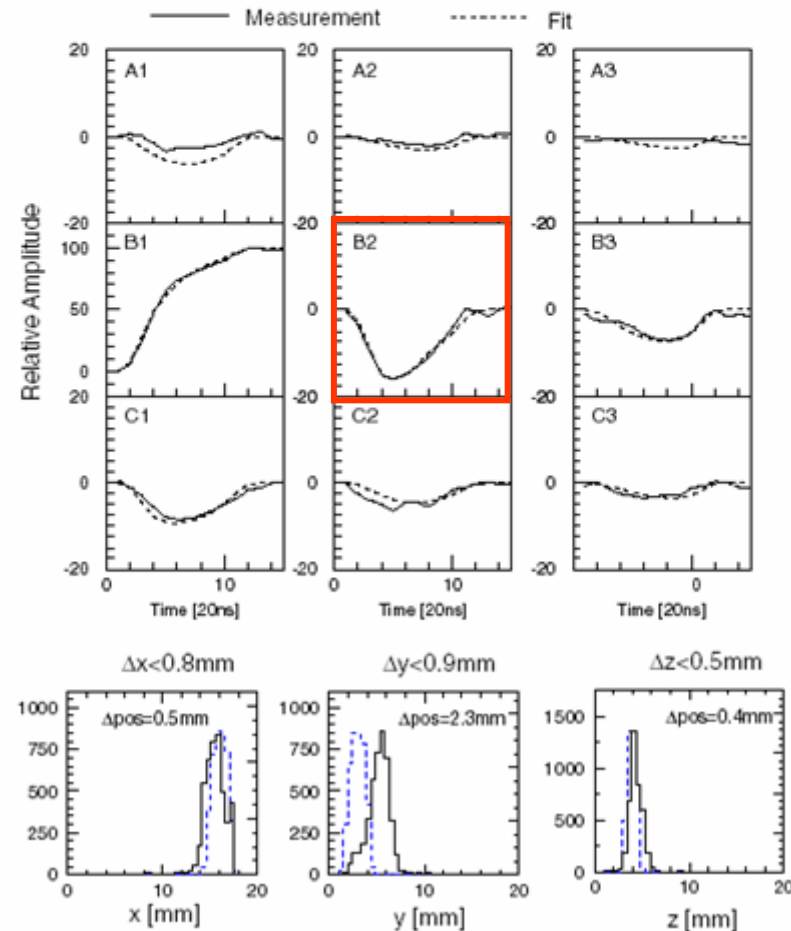
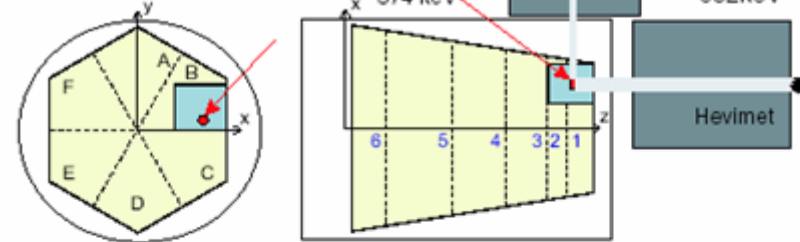


Full scan in 1 mm^3 grid almost impossible
 → define characteristic points
 to calibrate calculations

Collimation: 2mm in X,Y and 1mm in Z

Decomposition on 0.5mm grid

Interaction takes place in B1
 at X=16, Y=3, Z=4 mm



Tracking Principle

*determination of individual γ -rays interactions
and scattering sequence in time order*

NOT possible with timing measurements:

interaction distance: $d \sim 1 \text{ mm}-1 \text{ cm}$

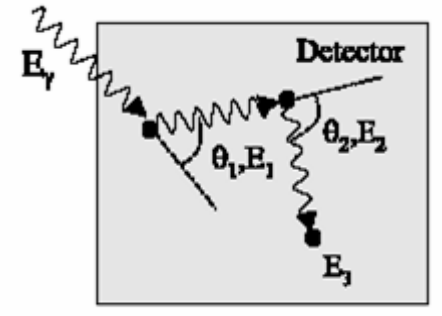
interval between interactions: $t = d/(c/\sqrt{\epsilon_r \mu_r}) \sim (10^{-2}-10^{-3} \text{ m})/(3 \times 10^8/(\sqrt{16 \times 100}) \text{ m/s})$
 $= 0.1-1.2 \text{ ns}$

Ge time resolution: $\tau \sim 5 \text{ ns} \gg t$

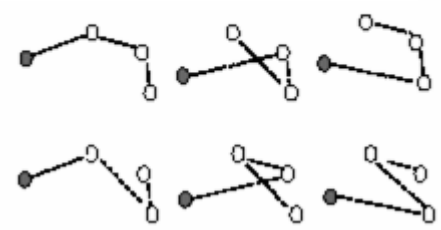
\Rightarrow *individual interactions are seen in coincidence*

Solution: reconstruction of interaction path via **tracking algorithms** based on

i) Compton scattering (dominant process), ii) pair production and iii) photoelectric interaction.



3! = 6 permutations



exact sequence is determined by Compton scattering laws

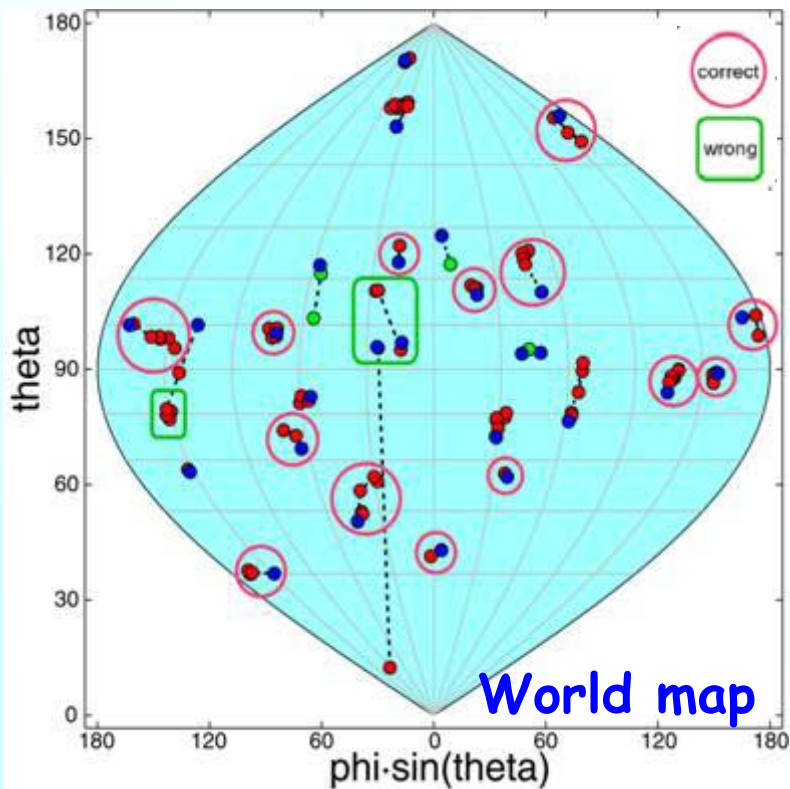
$$E'_\gamma = \frac{E_\gamma}{1 + (E_\gamma/m_0c^2)(1 - \cos \theta)}$$

Required position resolution: 1-2 mm & Required energy resolution: 2-3 keV

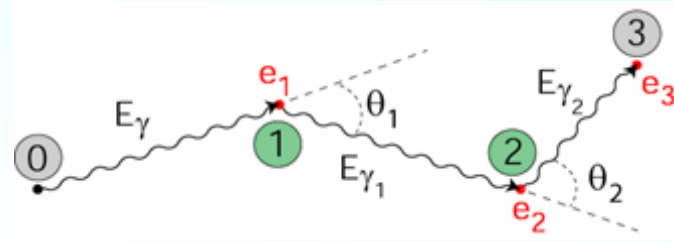
➔ Position resolution is achieved with Pulse Shape Analysis

γ -ray tracking

A high multiplicity event
 $E_\gamma = 1.33 \text{ MeV}$, $M_\gamma = 30$
in ideal Ge shell



Given the interaction points (PSA) one has to identify the sequence of interactions points belonging to each individual photon



Basic formula is Compton scattering

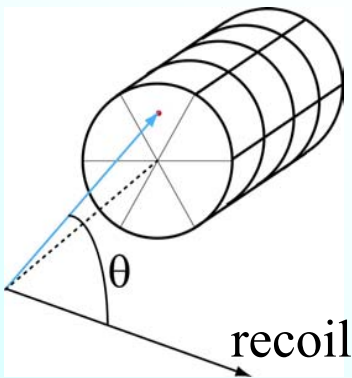
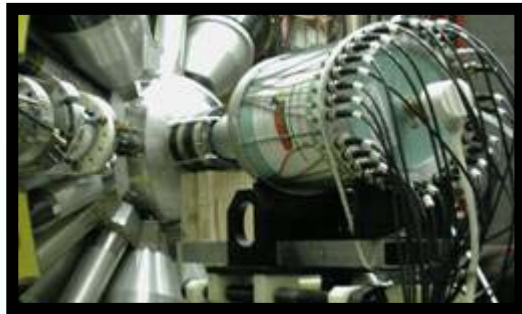
Tough problem!
especially for high-multiplicity events

Tracking methods

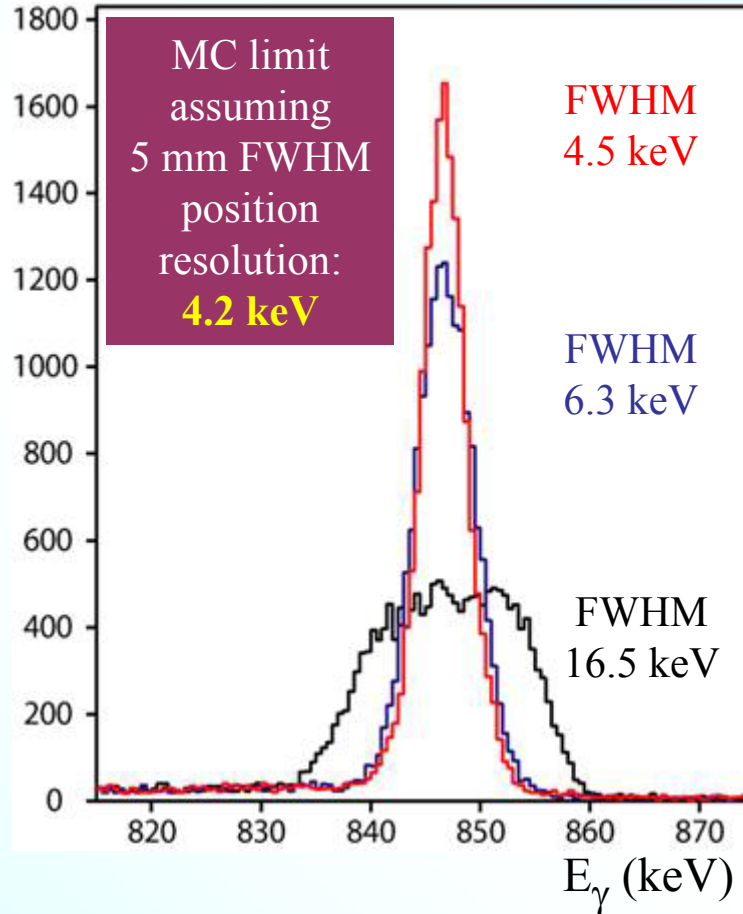
- 1 - Cluster (forward) tracking
- 2 - Backtracking
- 3 - Other approaches
(fuzzy tracking, etc.)

In-beam test of PSA: MARS detector (6x4+1) segments

Coulex. of ^{56}Fe at 240 MeV on ^{208}Pb , $v = 0.08c$



$$E_{\gamma}^{\text{CM}} = E_{\gamma}^{\text{Lab}} \frac{1 - \beta \cos(\theta)}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}$$



Corrected using points determined with a Genetic Algorithm

Corrected using center of segments
→ 24 detectors with $\Delta\theta \approx 9^\circ$

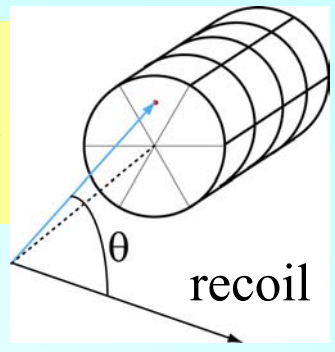
Corrected using center of crystal
→ one detector with $\Delta\theta \approx 22^\circ$

Position resolution → 5 mm FWHM

Similar result from an experiment done with the GRETA detector

Benefits of γ -ray tracking (Doppler Correction)

$$E_\gamma = E_{\gamma 0} \frac{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2}}{1 - \frac{v}{c} \cos \theta}$$

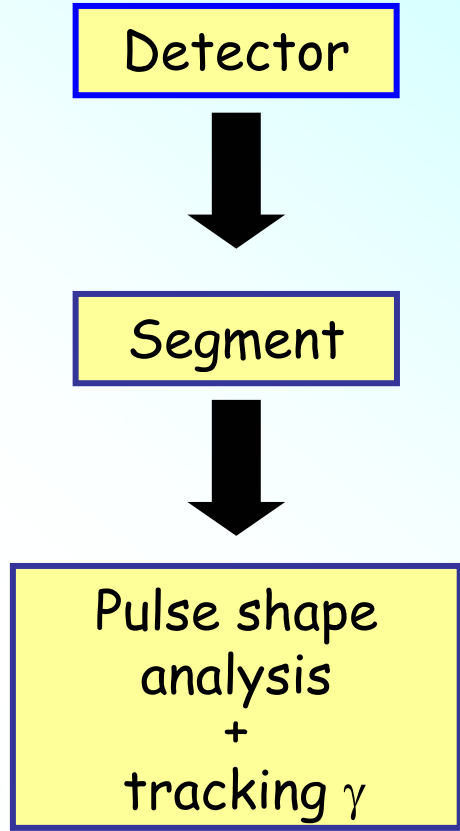
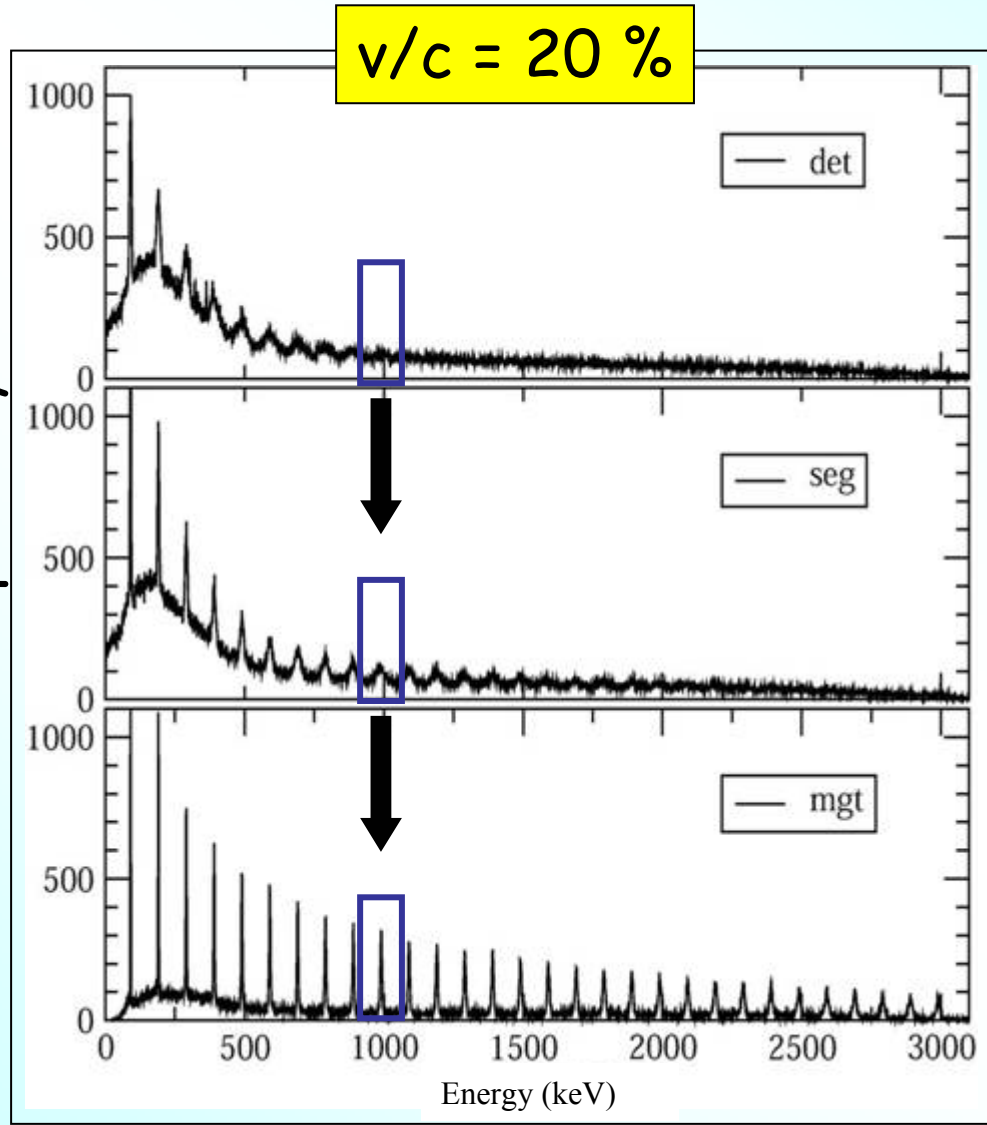


scarce

Definition of the photon direction

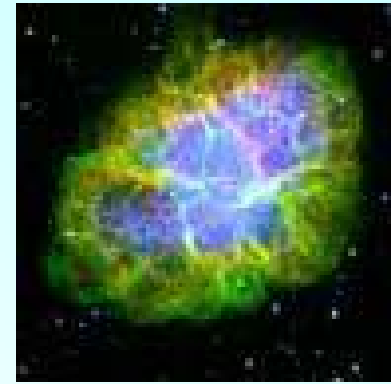
Doppler correction capability

good

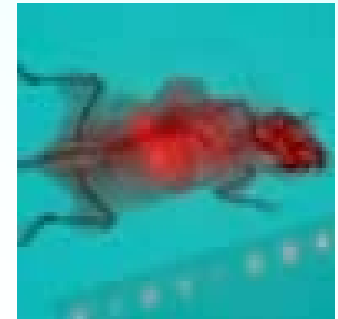
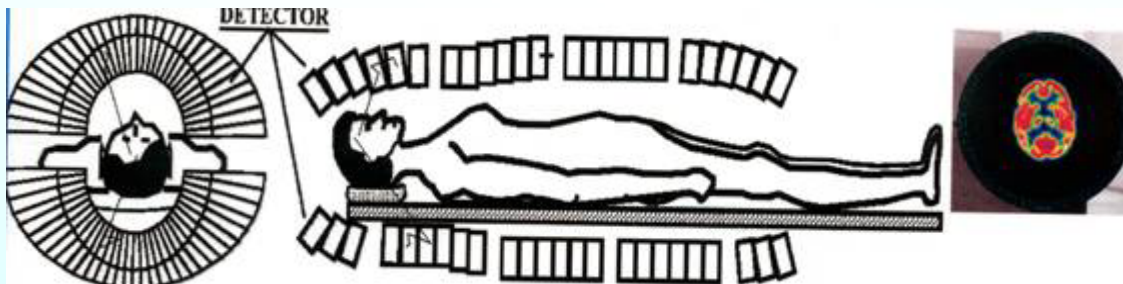


Impact on applied research

- High Energy Astrophysics
- Biomedical Research
- National Security
- Industrial non destructive assessments



Medicine: ultra-low radiation (full body scan)



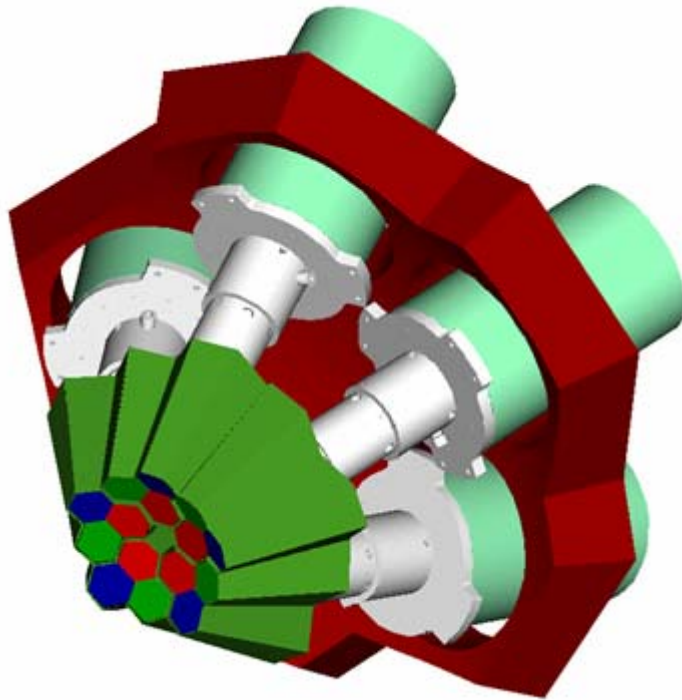
γ -ray source localization



The First Step:

The AGATA Demonstrator

Objective of the final R&D phase 2008



$\Omega \sim 1/3 \pi - 2/3 \pi$

- 1 symmetric triple-cluster
- 5 asymmetric triple-clusters
- 36-fold segmented crystals
- 540 segments
- 555 digital-channels

Eff. 3 - 8 % @ $M_\gamma = 1$

Eff. 2 - 4 % @ $M_\gamma = 30$

Full ACQ

with on line PSA and γ -ray tracking

Test Sites:

LNL, GANIL, GSI, Jyväskylä, Köln

Cost ~ 7 M €

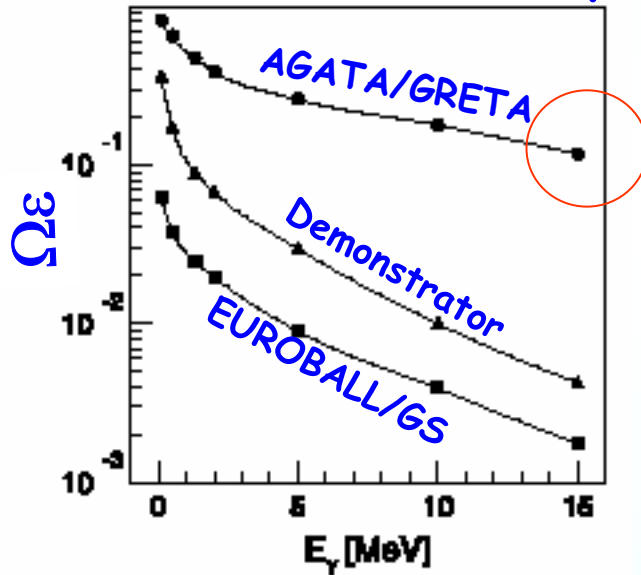
2007-2008: Commissioning & 1st physics Campaign
@ LNL with PRISMA spectrometer

The AGATA-PRISMA setup



Tracking array performances

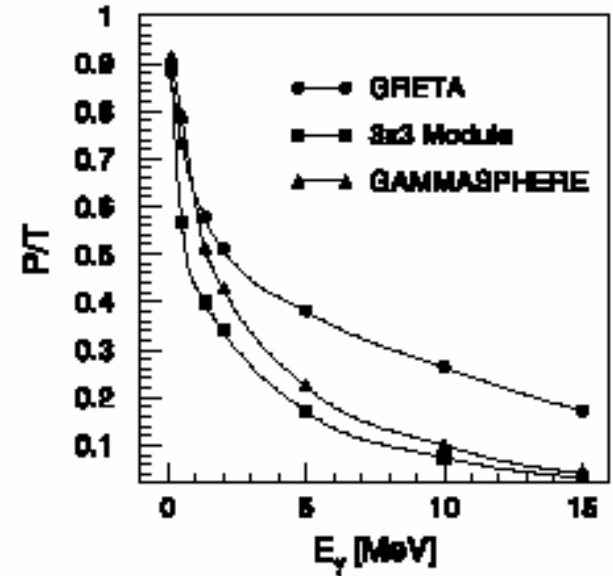
absolute efficiency



comparable with
scintillators arrays

n vs. γ
discrimination ?

possibly from
different clustering
of signals



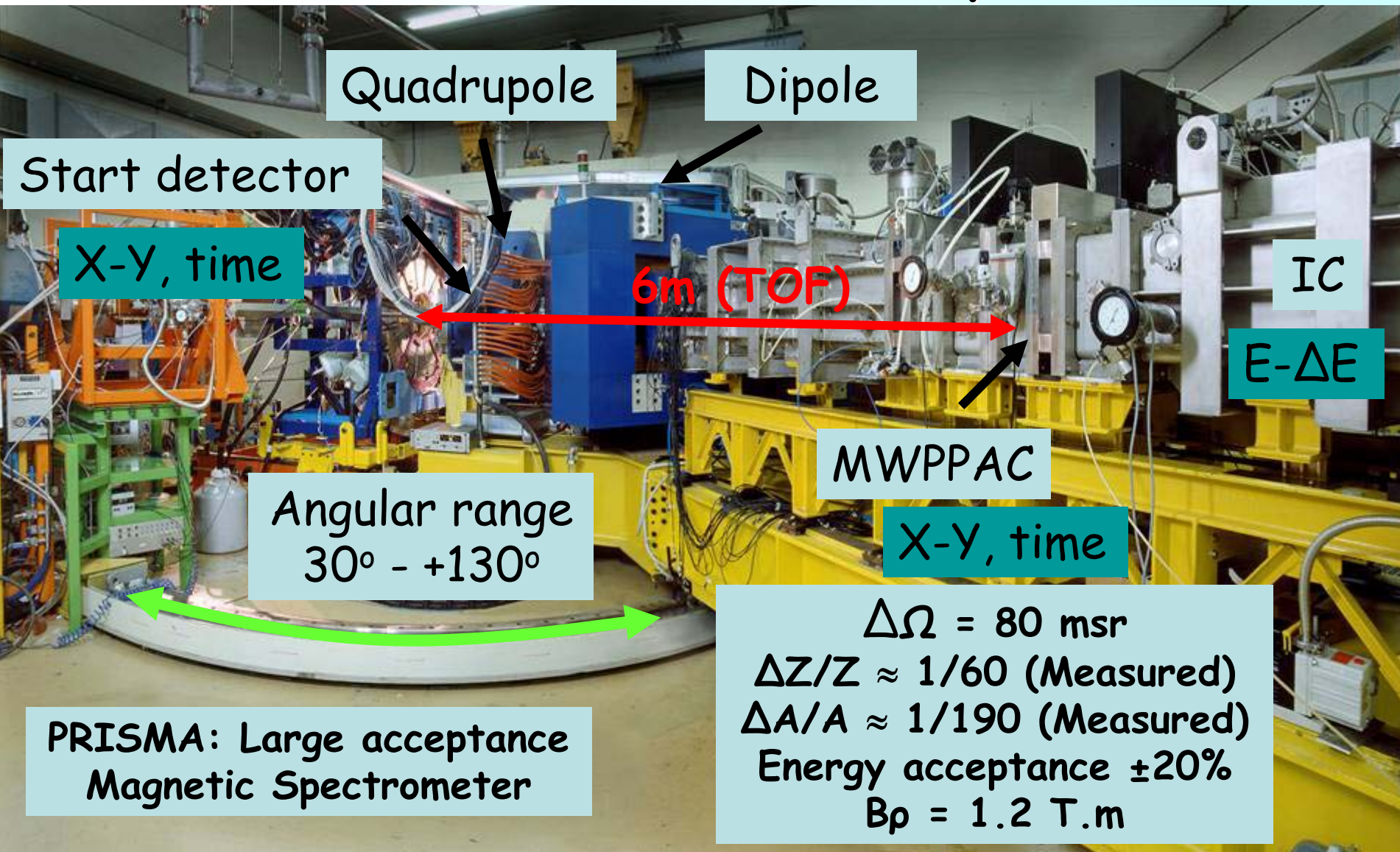
Calculations for 1 γ ray and NO tracking

Event rates will be increased by factor 20:

~ 3 MHz ($M_\gamma = 1$) - 300 kHz ($M_\gamma = 30$)

as a consequence of shorter processing time & increased number of segments

CLARA-PRISMA setup



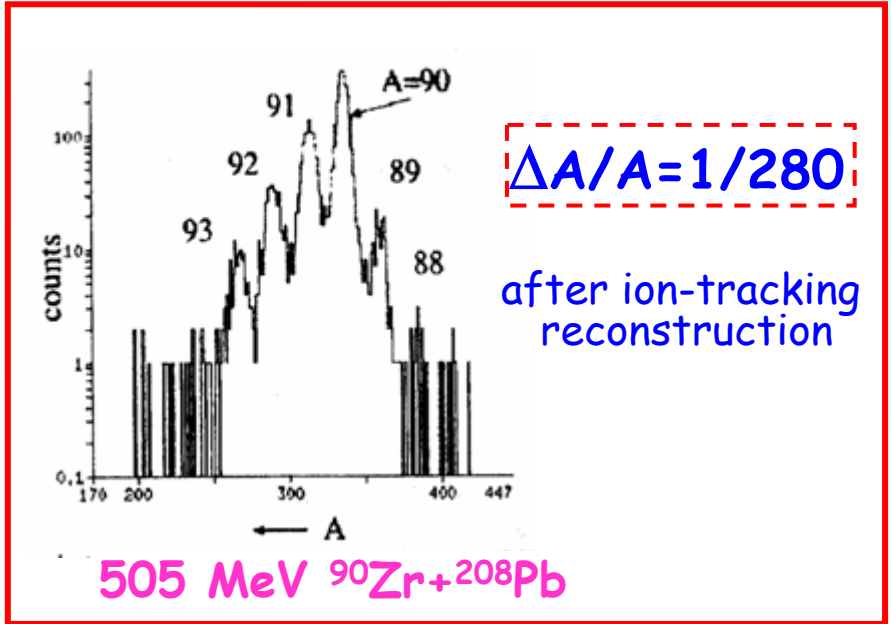
Mass & Energy reconstruction with PRISMA: via TOF

$$M = qB \times \rho/v$$
$$v = S(\theta)/TOF$$

→ Optical elements + TOF

$$B \rho = p/q$$

$$M/q = (B\rho \times TOF)/S(\theta)$$

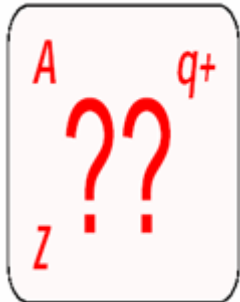


→ Energy loss in IC + residual energy

$$\frac{dE}{dx} \propto \frac{M Z^2}{E}$$

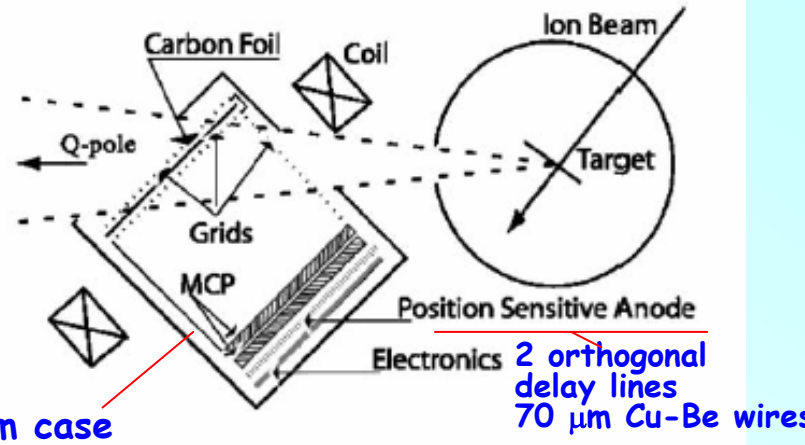
$$E \Delta E \simeq M Z^2$$

exact identification of mass (A) and charge (Z) + distinction of charge states (Q)



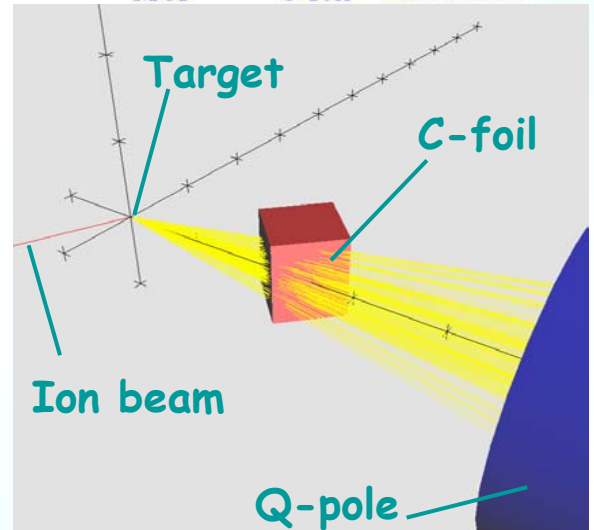
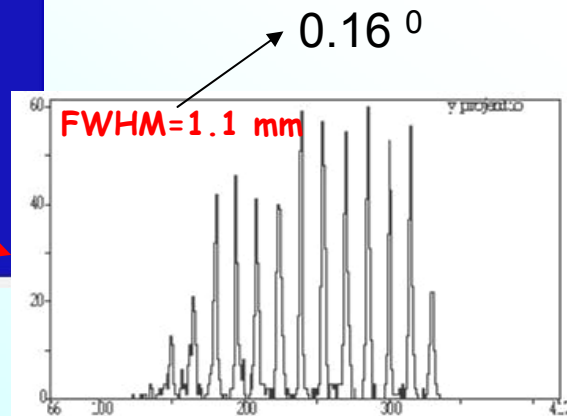
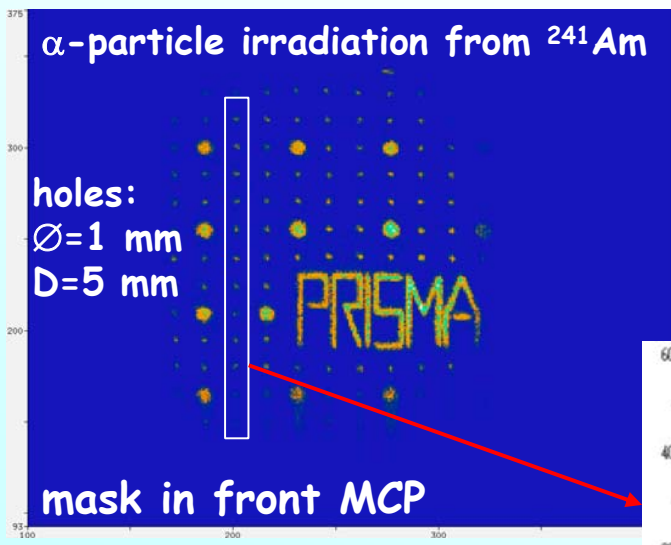
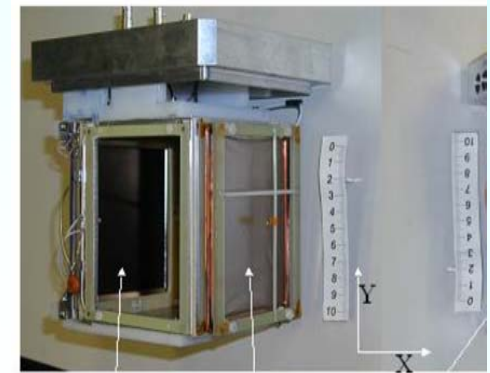
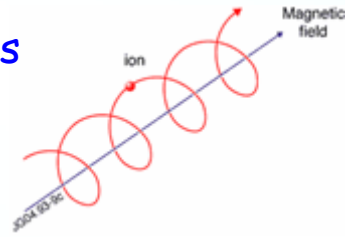
Entrance Position Detector (Multi Channel Plate)

- active area: $8 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$ ($\Omega=80\text{msr}$)
 \Rightarrow full coverage of PRISMA spectrometer
 at $d = 25\text{cm}$ from target
- timing resolution for TOF $\sim 350 \text{ ps}$
- C foil: $20\text{mg}/\text{cm}^2$ thick
- $E_{\text{acc}} = 30\text{-}40 \text{ kV}/\text{m}$
- parallel magnetic field: $B \sim 120 \text{ Gauss}$
 to limit the spread of electron cloud
 preserving particle position information



vacuum case

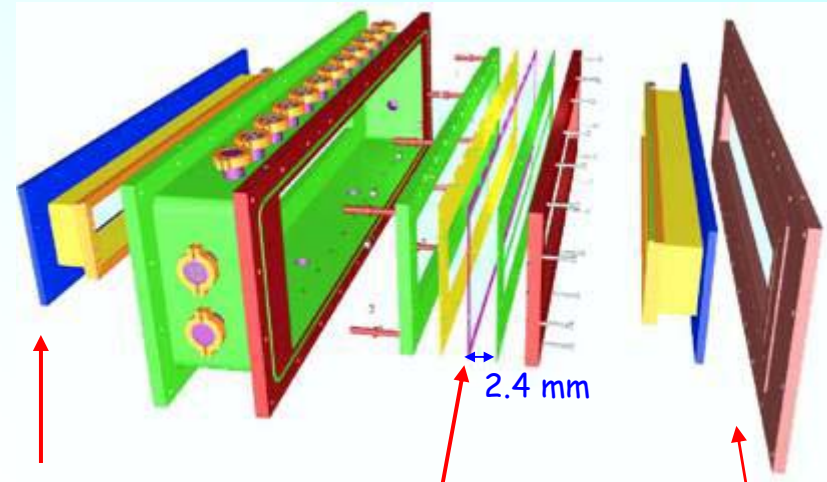
2 orthogonal delay lines
70 μm Cu-Be wires



3 signals: x, y, time

Focal Plane Detectors: Multi Wire PPAC

- active area: 1m x 13 cm
- 3 electrode structure:
central cathod & 2 anodic wire planes (X and Y)
- cathode: 3300 wires of 20 μ m gold-plated tungsten
0.3 mm spacing
10 independent sections of 10x13 cm²
negative high voltage: 500-600 V
- X plane: 10 sections of 100 wires each, 1mm spacing
- Y plane: common to all cathode,
130 wires, 1 m long, 1mm steps
- spatial resolution: $\Delta X \sim 1\text{mm}$, $\Delta Y \sim 2\text{mm}$ (FWHM)
- stop signal for TOF



to ionization
chambers
mylar foils
1.5 μm

3 electrode
structure:
1000 wires

entrance
window
mylar foils
1.5 μm



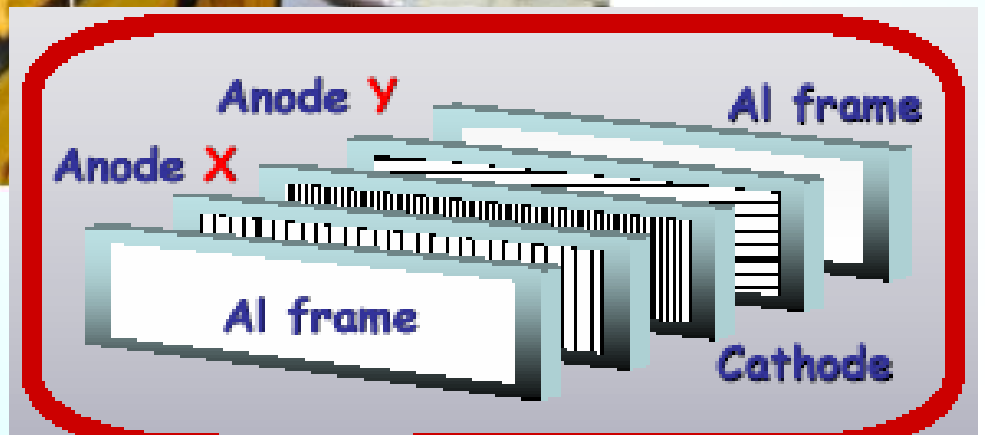
Filling gas: C_4H_{10}

Filling pressure: 7 mbar

delay-line readout

10 x 3 signals (X_l , X_r , timing)

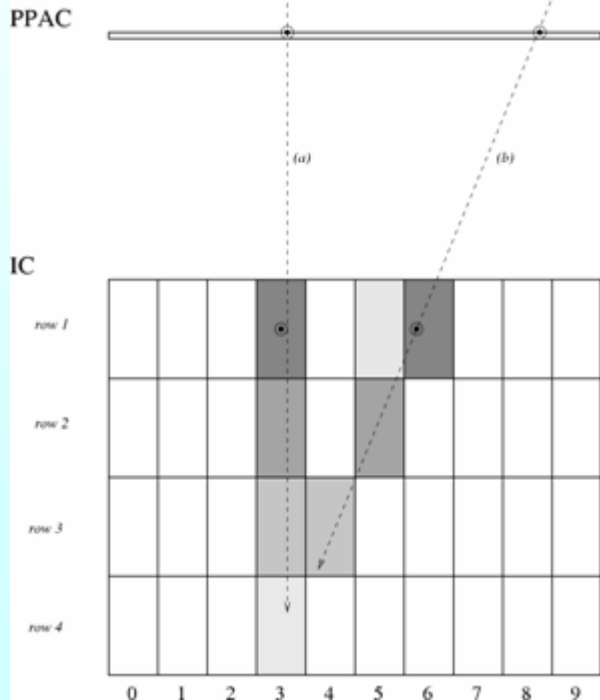
2 signals (Y_u , Y_d)



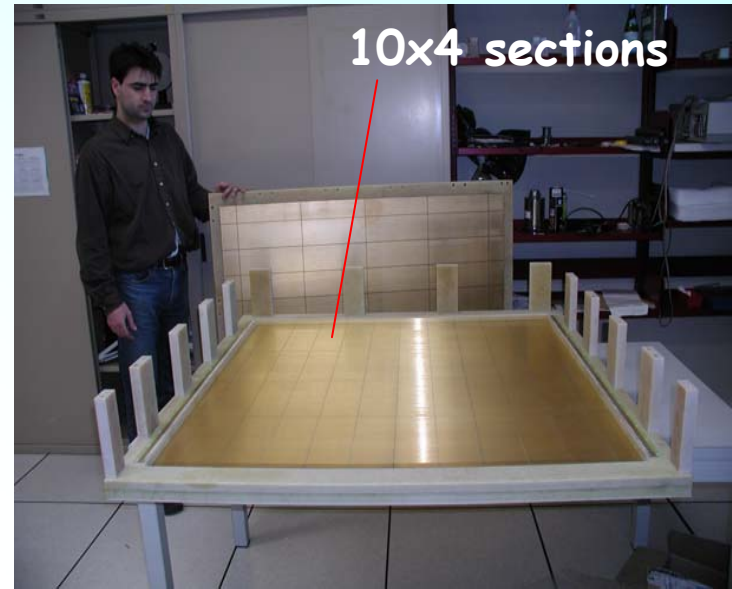
Focal Plane Detectors: Ionization Chamber

- 10x4 sections (10x25 cm²)
- depth: 120 cm
- $\Delta E/E < 2\%$
- anode & cathode: 10x4 sections
- Frisch grid: 1000 wires, 100 μm diameter

1 mm spacing, 1 m long

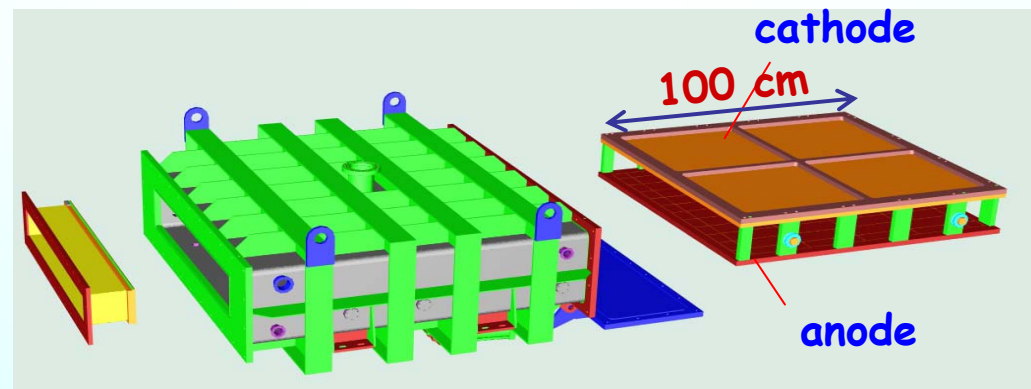


40x2 signals



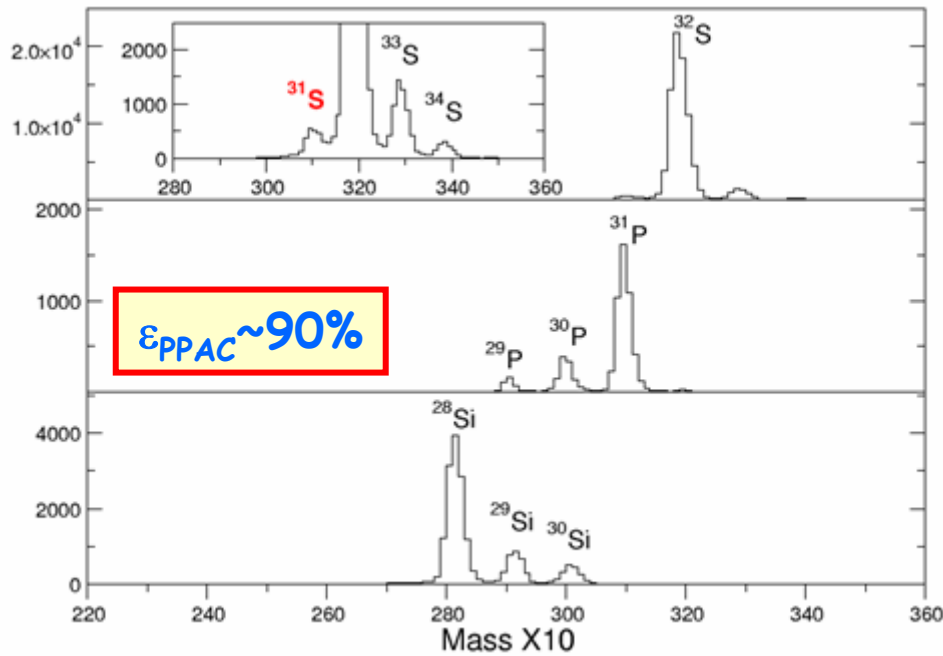
Filling gas: CH₄, 99% purity
(CF₄ for energetic heavy-ions)

Filling pressure: 20-100 mbar

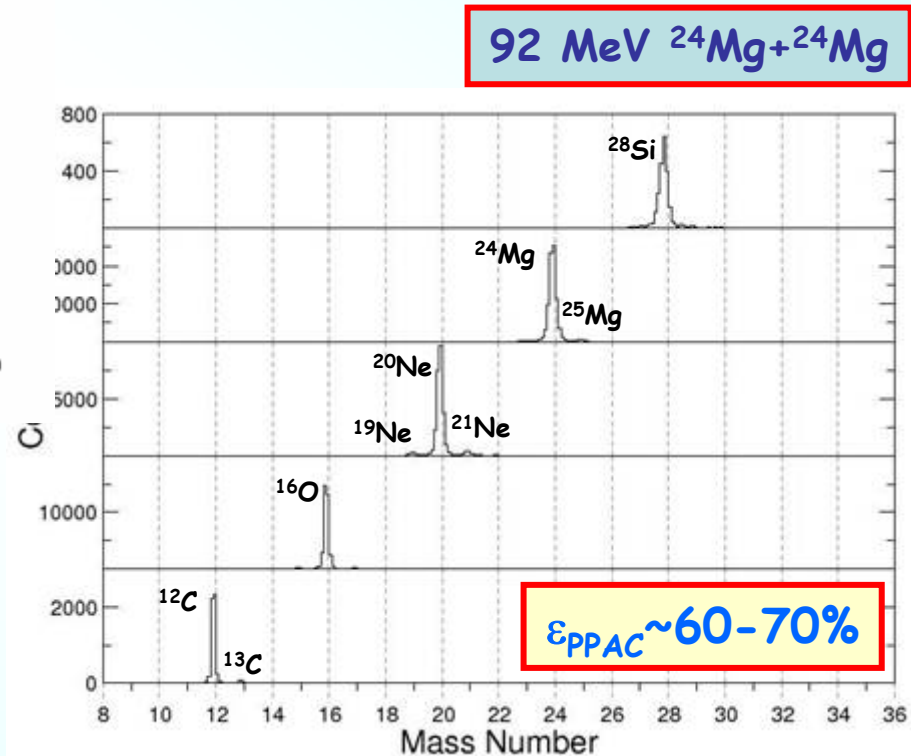


FPD efficiency for light-ions

Mass region : $A=12-32$



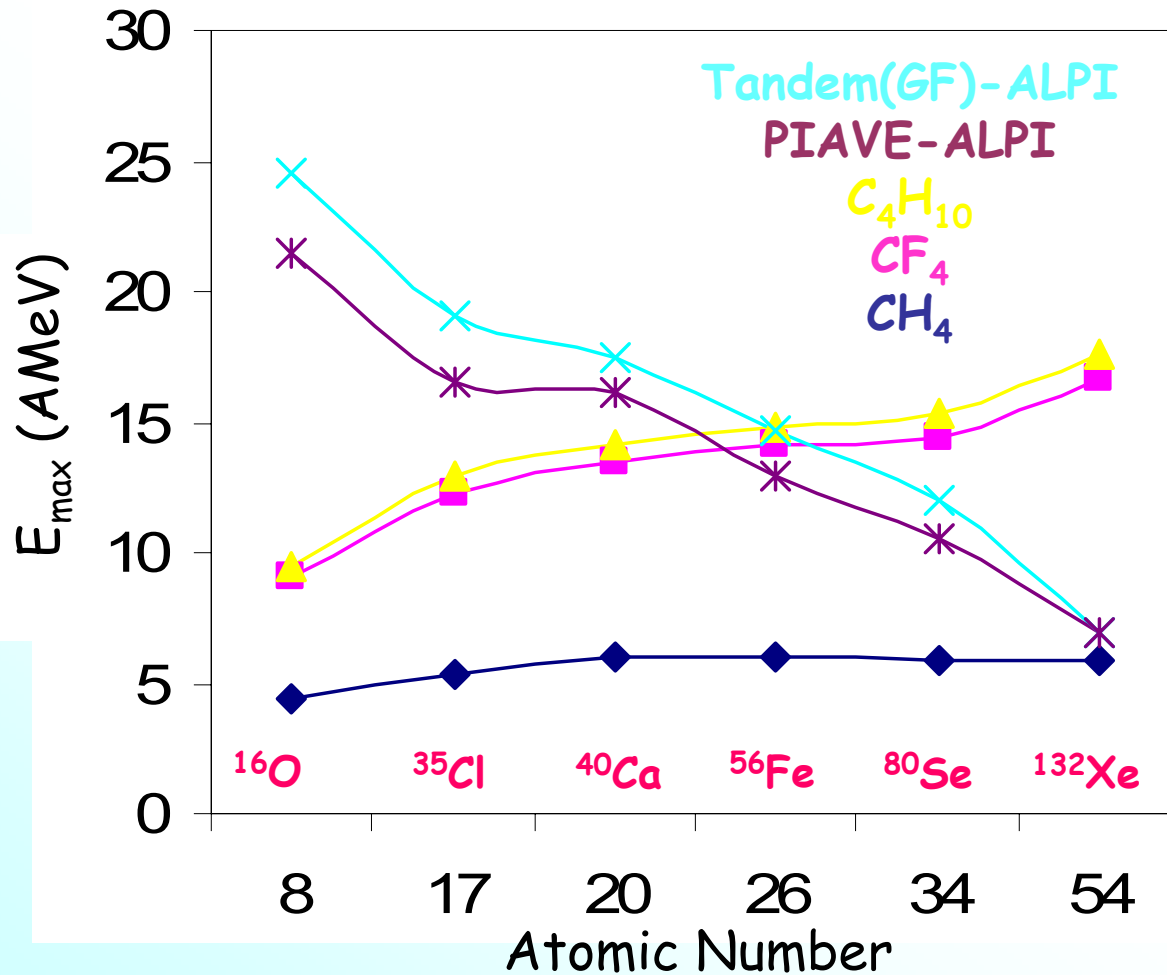
$122 \text{ MeV } ^{32}\text{S} + ^{58}\text{Ni}$



$92 \text{ MeV } ^{24}\text{Mg} + ^{24}\text{Mg}$

$\epsilon_{\text{PPAC}} \sim 60-70\%$

Maximum energy stopped into the IC



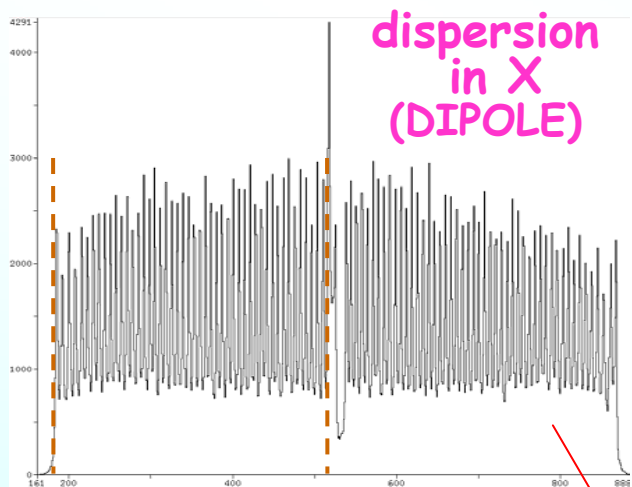
CF₄ 100 hPa ~ 168 mm Si
 ↓
 14 AMeV ≤ E_{max} ≤ 16 AMeV

CH₄ 100 hPa ~ 59 mm Si
 ↓
 E_{max} ~ 6 AMeV

160 MeV $^{16}\text{O} + ^{186}\text{W}$ PRISMA @ 40° $\langle q \rangle \sim 8$
 154 MeV ^{16}O ions → 110 hPa
 B_{Dipole} ~ 68% - B_{Quadrupole} ~ 60%

Focal Plane Detectors: in-beam tests

MWPPAC ($\epsilon \sim 100\%$)



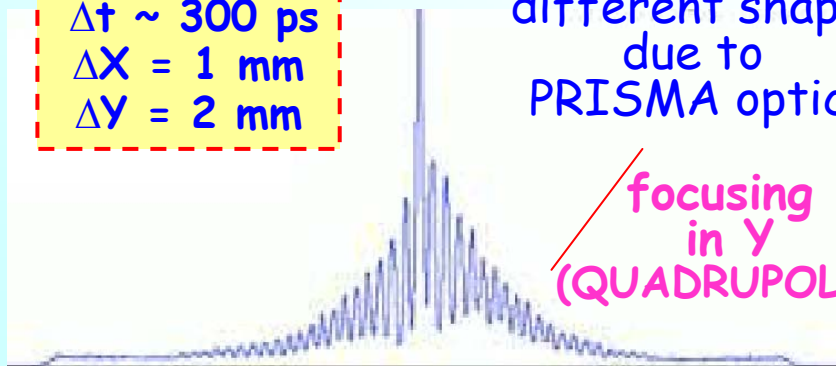
X position (channels)

dispersion
in X
(DIPOLE)

$\Delta t \sim 300$ ps
 $\Delta X = 1$ mm
 $\Delta Y = 2$ mm

different shapes
due to
PRISMA optics

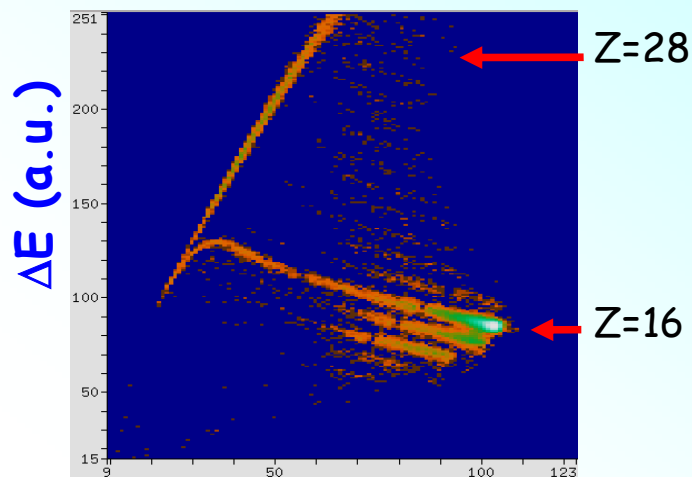
focusing
in Y
(QUADRUPOLE)



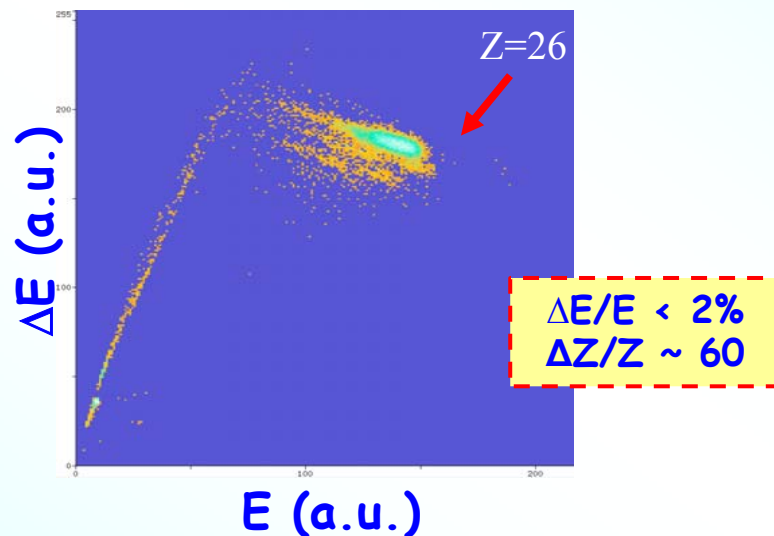
Y position (channels)

IC

195 MeV $^{36}\text{S} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$, $\Theta_{\text{lab}} = 80^\circ$



240 MeV $^{56}\text{Fe} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$, $\Theta_{\text{lab}} = 70^\circ$



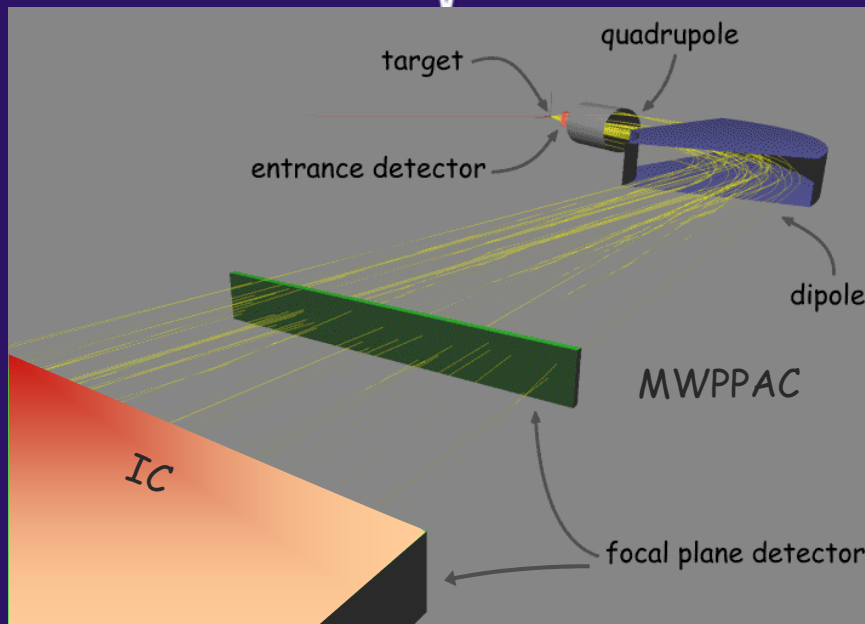
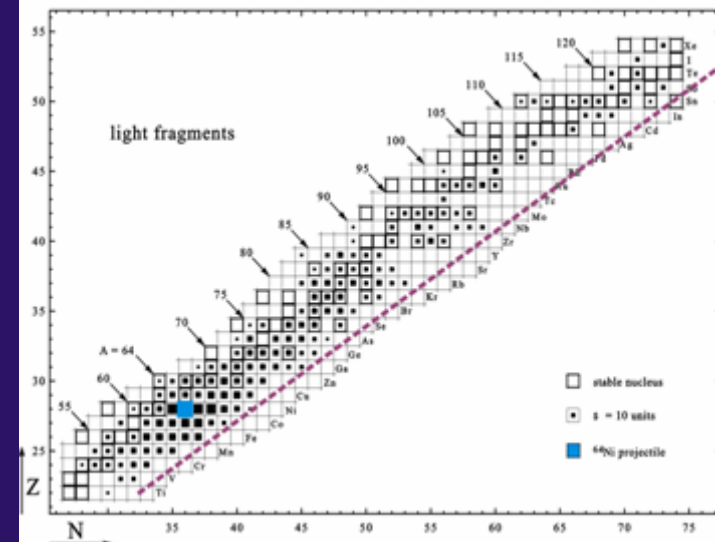
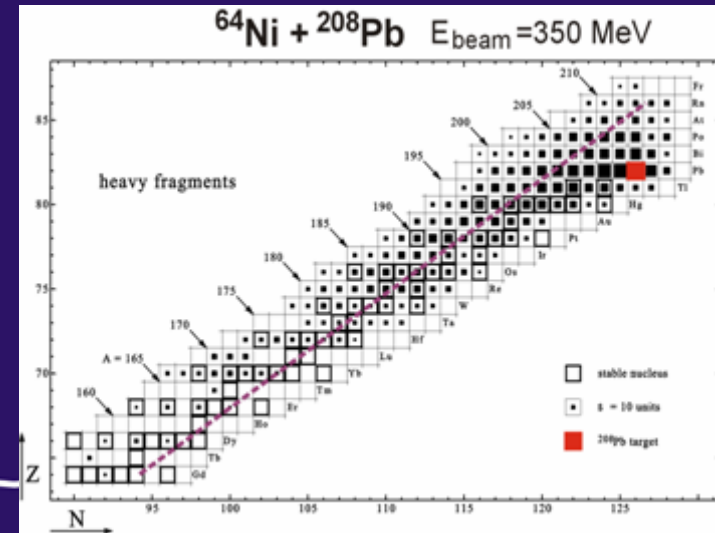
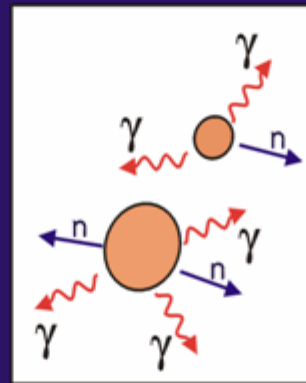
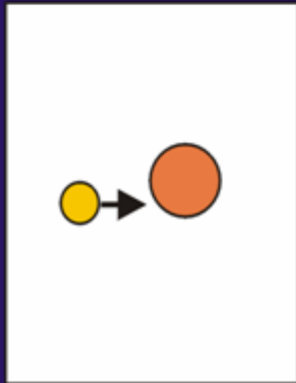
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Struttura nucleare nelle misure con il dimostratore di AGATA:

Sfruttano:

- Reazioni di deep inelastic e trasferimento
- Fusione-evaporazione (alto spin)

Deep inelastic reactions - a tool for nuclear spectroscopy



Future Development: PRISMA in Gas Filled Mode : Fusion Reaction

Physics Aim: measurements of evaporation residues
with small σ , recoiling at 0°

⇒ *need for high transmission efficiency*

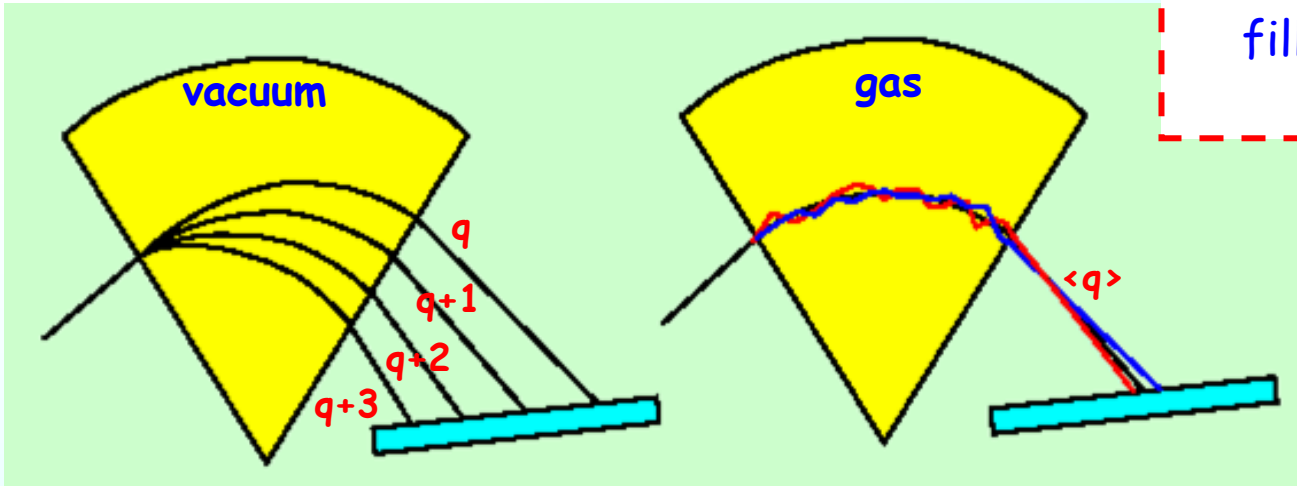
Main drawback: loss of mass & energy resolution

⇒ *the magnetic spectrometer is used as a separator*

Existing devices: RITU (JYFL), TASCA (GSI), ...
for heavy element study ($\sigma < 1\text{nb}$)

Principle of operation

high transmission efficiency
can be obtained
filling the dipole region
with a diluted gas



- collision between reaction products and gas atoms lead to **charge state focusing**
- trajectory determined by **average ionic charge**

$$B\rho = \frac{mv}{eq_{ave}}$$

$$= \frac{mv}{e \frac{v}{v_0} Z^{1/3}} = 0.0227 \frac{A}{Z^{1/3}} Tm$$

$$v_0 = 2.19 \cdot 10^6 \text{ m/s}$$

Bohr velocity

$$q_{ave} = (v/v_0) Z^{1/3}$$

Thomas-Fermi model

- $B\rho$ does NOT depend on v
 \Rightarrow **energies merge !!!**

- it can be used to get a rough estimate of degree of separation between
 \rightarrow target-like products
 \rightarrow fusion evaporation residues

example:



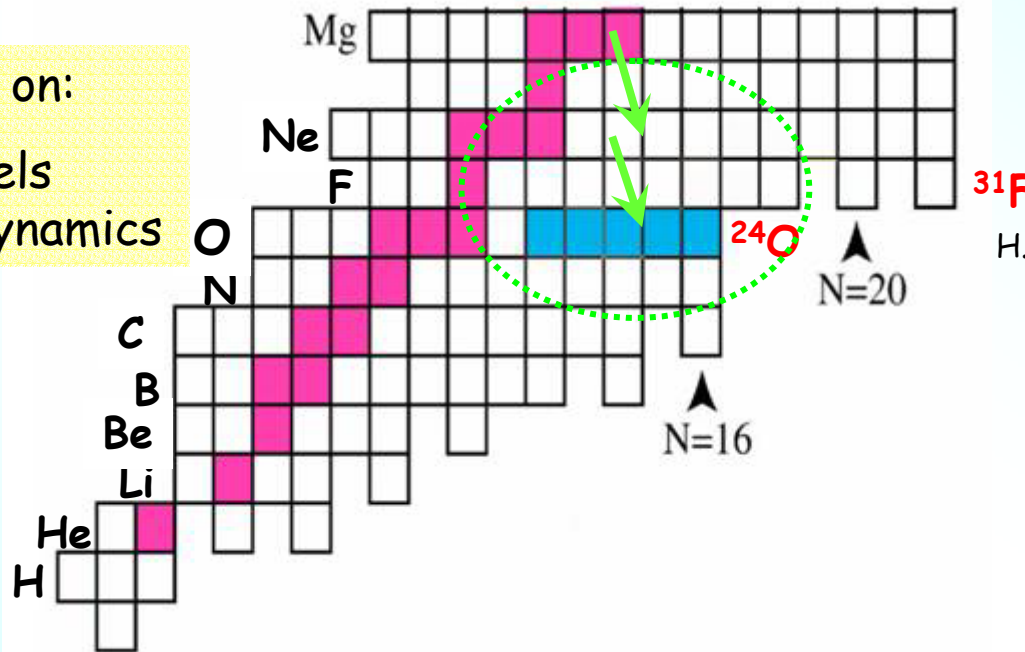
$$\frac{(B\rho)_T}{(B\rho)_{CN}} = \frac{A_T}{A_{CN}} \left(\frac{Z_{CN}}{Z_T} \right)^{1/3} = \frac{175}{210} \left(\frac{89}{71} \right)^{1/3} = 0.89$$

Search for the n-dripline: test of shell model

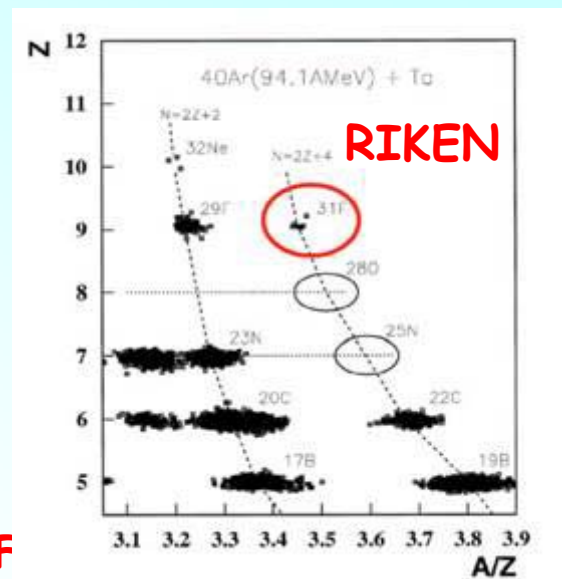
Population of n-rich **Ne, F** and **O** nuclei
 with deep-inelastic collisions & multi-nucleon transfer
 Milano Proposal at:
 LNL/GANIL Associate European Laboratory

Information on:

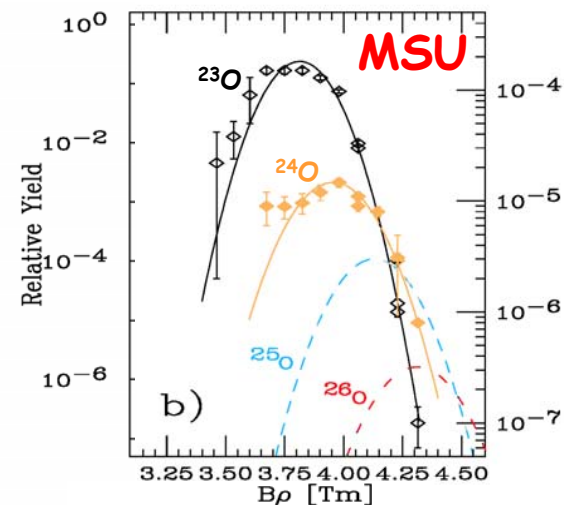
- × energy levels
- × reaction dynamics



location of n drip line between F and O
 is not understood : **N=16** for O and **N=22** for F



H.Sakurai et al., PLB448 (1999) 180



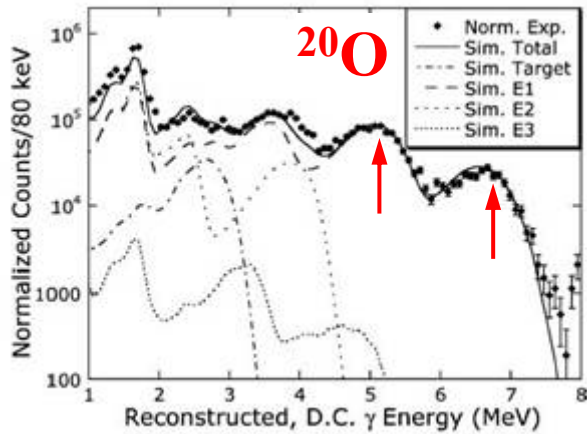
M.Fauerbach et al., PRC53 (1996) 647

June 2005, GANIL: ^{24}Ne @ 114 MeV + ^{208}Pb , $I_{\text{beam}} \sim 10^5$

November 2006, LNL: ^{22}Ne @ 130 MeV + ^{208}Pb , $I_{\text{beam}} \sim 10^{10}$

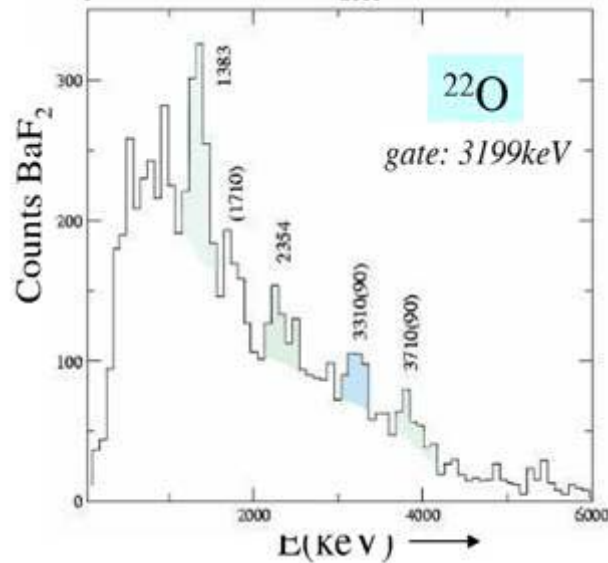
[Letter of Intent, LNL: ^{22}Ne @ 125 MeV + ^{208}Pb]

O isotopes: N = 12 and 14



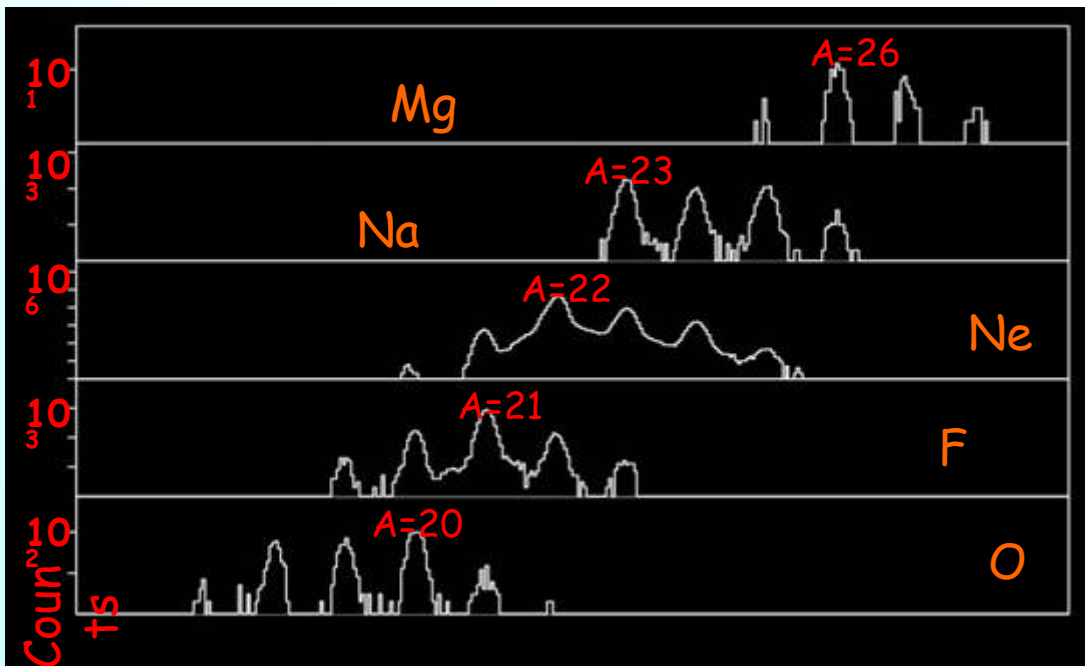
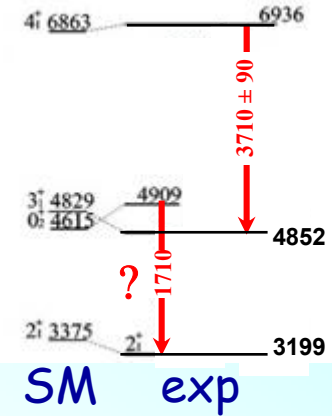
MSU
Fascio
di ^{20}O

E. Tryggestad et al., Phys. Lett. **B541**, 52-58(2002).



M. Stanoiu et al., Phys. Rev. **C69**, 034312 (2004).

^{22}O



Mass [a.m.u.]

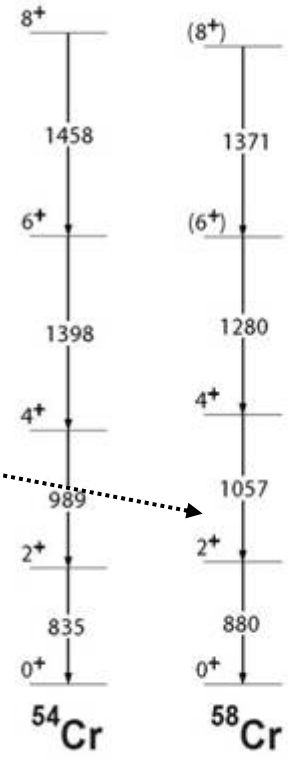
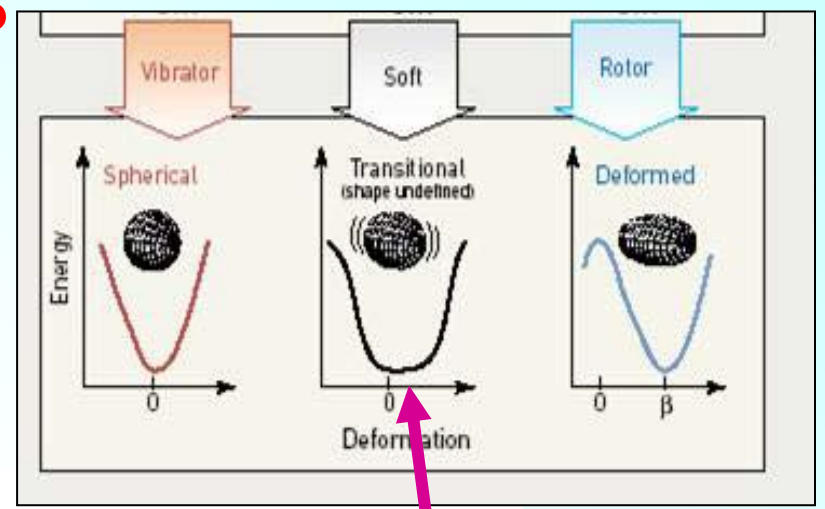
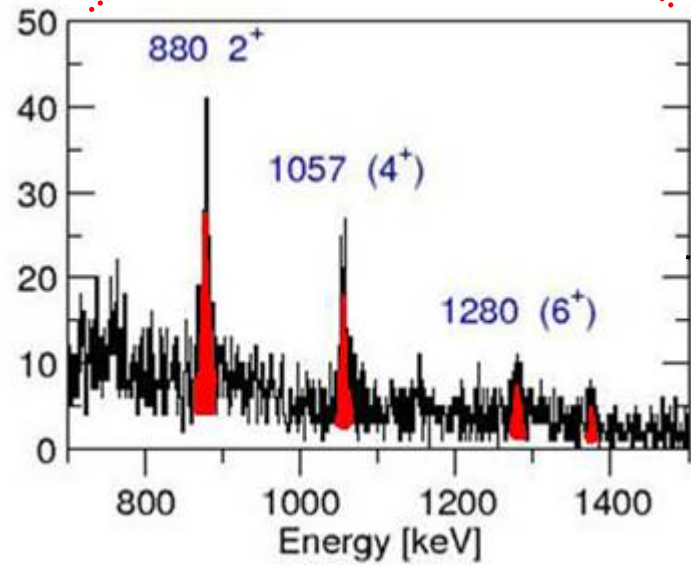
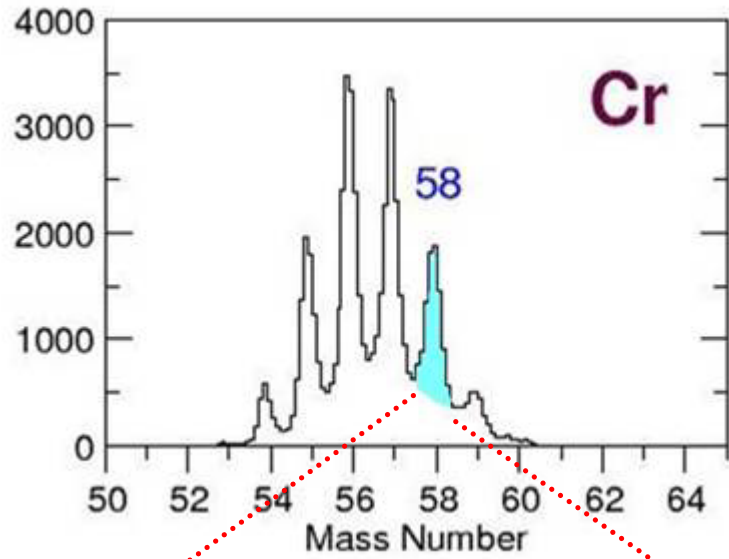
^{22}Ne ALPI-PIAVE

Details: 20 h ^{22}Ne

$I_{\text{beam}} \approx 6 \text{ p n A}$

Target: $300 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ ^{208}Pb

$^{64}\text{Ni } 400\text{MeV} + ^{238}\text{U } \theta_{\text{GR}} = 64^\circ$



^{58}Cr

$E_{4^+}/E_{2^+} = 2.20$

$E_{6^+}/E_{2^+} = 3.65$

$E(5)$ critical point symmetry
vibrator to γ -unstable rotor

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From our data the 1057 keV transition is the $4^+ \rightarrow 2^+$ member of the yrast cascade. Therefore $^{58}\text{Vg.s.}$ is probably 3^+ , also predicted at low energies.

CONCLUSIONE

Il programma di fisica con i fasci radioattivi di nuova generazione e' impegnativo e attraente e ha come obiettivo il **limite della stabilita'**:

Capire i meccanismi di reazione e' importante per selezionare al meglio la produzione dei nuclei d'interesse e le sue caratteristiche (fasci isomerici etc...) e formare i nuclei ad alto spin e temperatura

Le proprieta' del nucleo devono essere studiate mediante la sua eccitazione (uso di reazioni) e il corrispondente decadimento gamma

Futuro

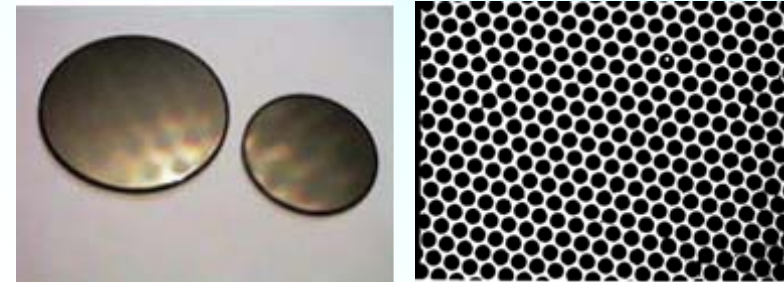
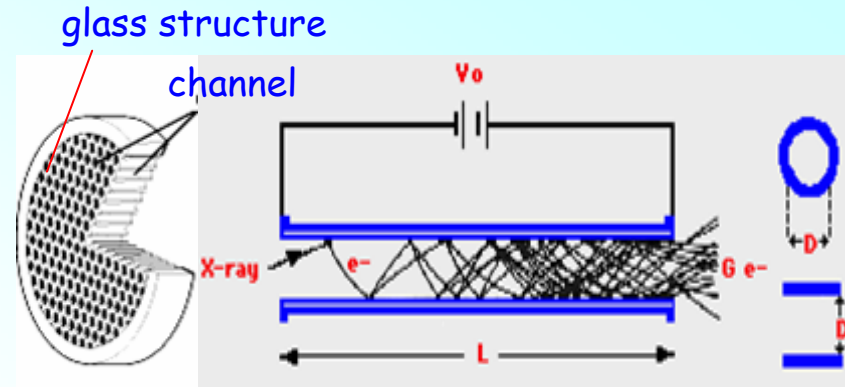
Fasci piu' intensi (10^7 - 10^9) e in una regione di massa poco esplorata (medium heavy e neutron rich)

Strumento per formare nuclei esotici eccitati (fino ad ora poco utilizzato) e' quello delle reazioni di trasferimento e deep inelastic

Spettroscopia gamma con alta efficienza, alta selettivita' e risoluzione

Microchannel plates

- compact **electron multipliers** of high gain
 $G \sim 10^6 - 10^8$
- used in wide range of particle and photon detection systems
- $\sim 10^7$ closely packed channels of common diameter (formed by drawing, etching, or firing in hydrogen, a lead glass matrix)
- typical channel diameter $D \sim 10 \mu\text{m}$
- each channel acts as an independent, continuous dinode photomultiplier
- gain G increases with L/D (typically 75:1 - 175:1)



performances

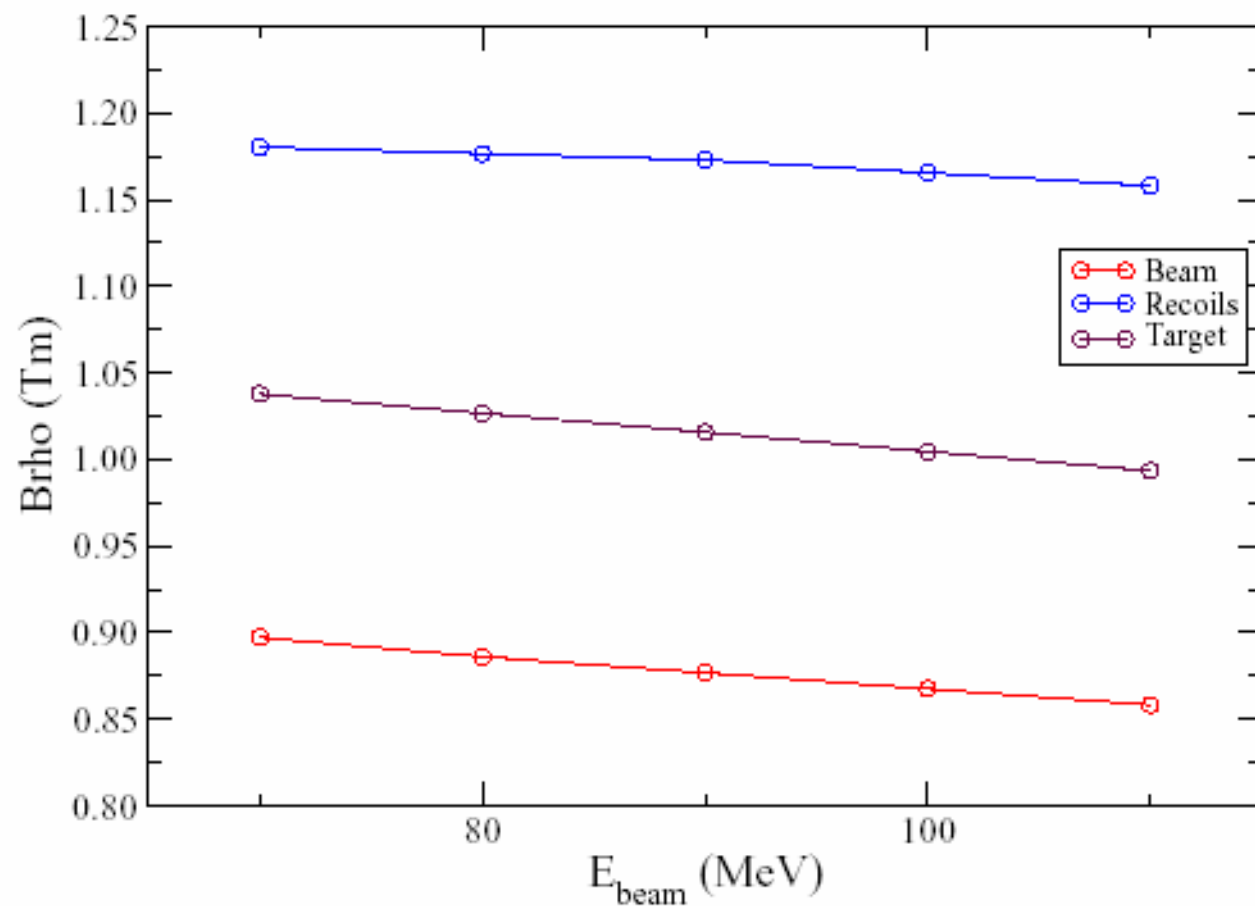
- efficiency
not more than 60% for X-rays
higher for charged particles
- time-resolution
ultra-high: $< 100 \text{ ps}$
- spatial resolution
(limited by channel dimensions & spacing): $12 - 15 \mu\text{m}$
- relative immunity to magnetic fields:
single MCP: completely unaffected in $B \leq 0.5 \text{ Tesla}$
in stack: completely unaffected by much higher fields

efficiency

Type of radiation		Detection efficiency (%)
Electrons	0.2 - 2 keV	50-85
	2 - 50 keV	10-60
Positive ions (H ⁺ , He ⁺ , A ⁺)	0.5 - 2 keV	5-85
	2 - 50 keV	60-85
U.V. radiation	50 - 200 keV	4-60
	300 - 1100 Å	5-15
Soft X-rays	1100-1500 Å	1-5
	2 - .50 Å	5-15
Diagnostic X-rays	0.12 - 0.2 Å	~1

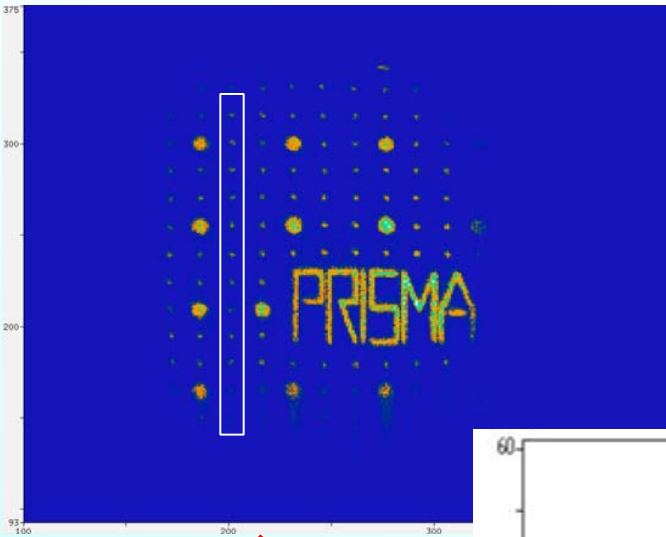
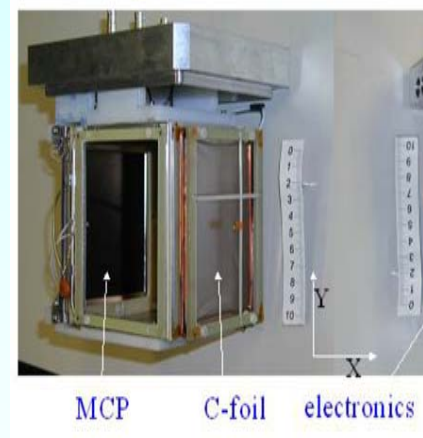
$B\rho$ at the Limit

Brho Values for $^{36}\text{Ar} + ^{48}\text{Ti}$



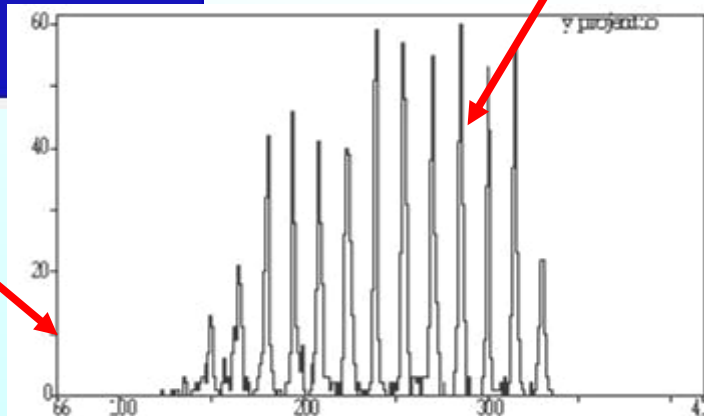
Entrance Position Detector: MCP

- Micro Channel Plate
- $8 \times 10 \text{ cm}^2$ sensitive area ($\Omega = 80 \text{ msr}$)
- Timing resolution for TOF $\sim 350 \text{ ps}$
- $d_{\text{TARGET}} = 25 \text{ cm}$
- C-foil 20 mg/cm^2 thick
- $E_{\text{acc}} = 30\text{-}40 \text{ kV/m}$
- $B \sim 120 \text{ Gauss}$

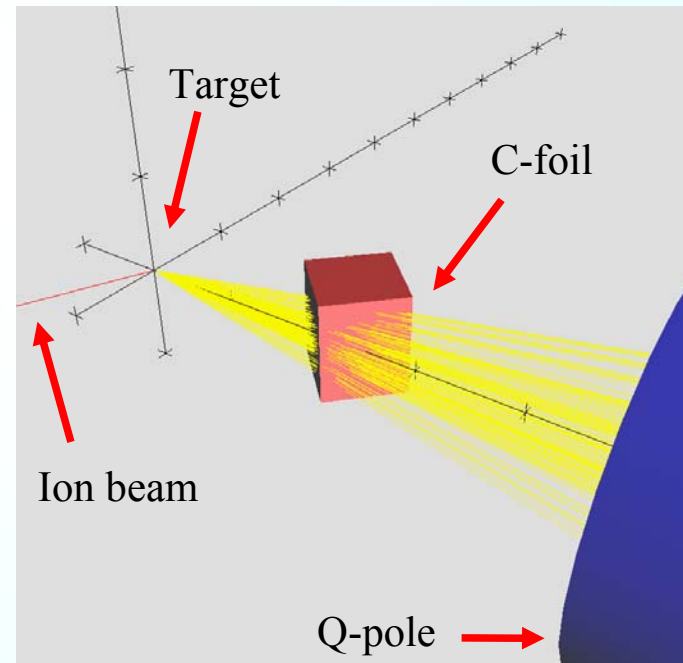


hole diameter 1 mm

1.1 mm FWHM



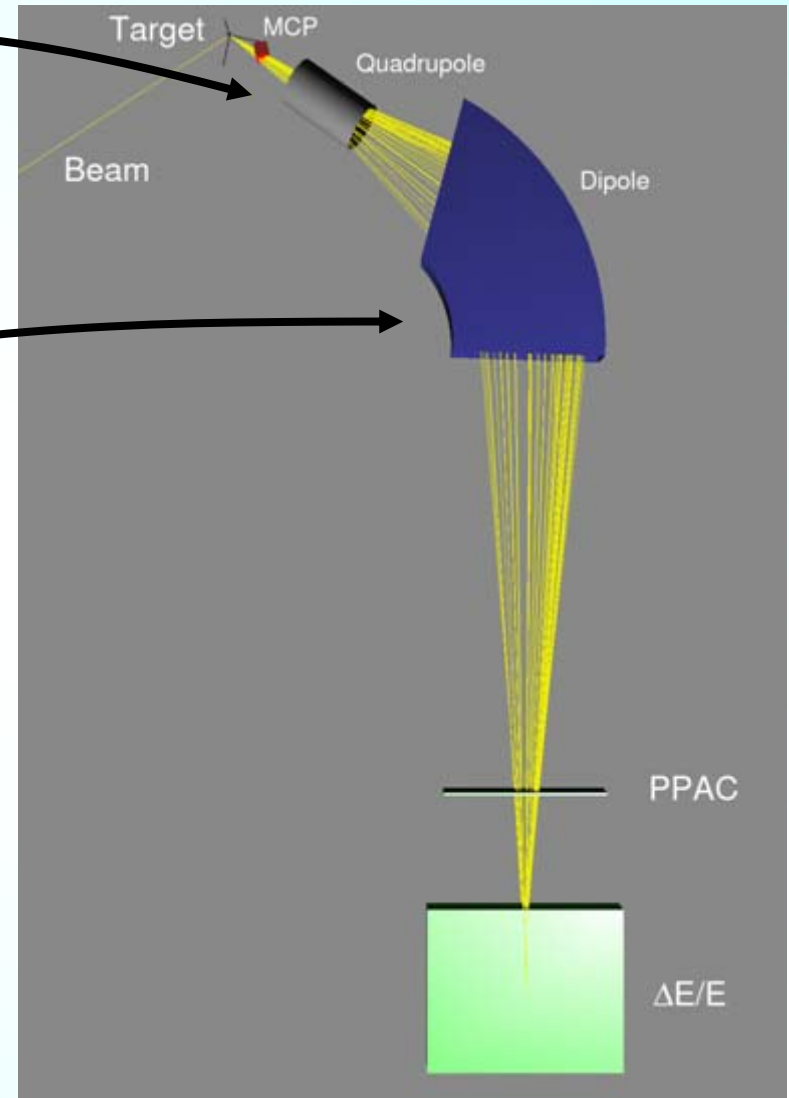
3 signals



Optical Elements

• **Quadrupole:** a singlet, focuses vertically the ions towards the dispersion plane

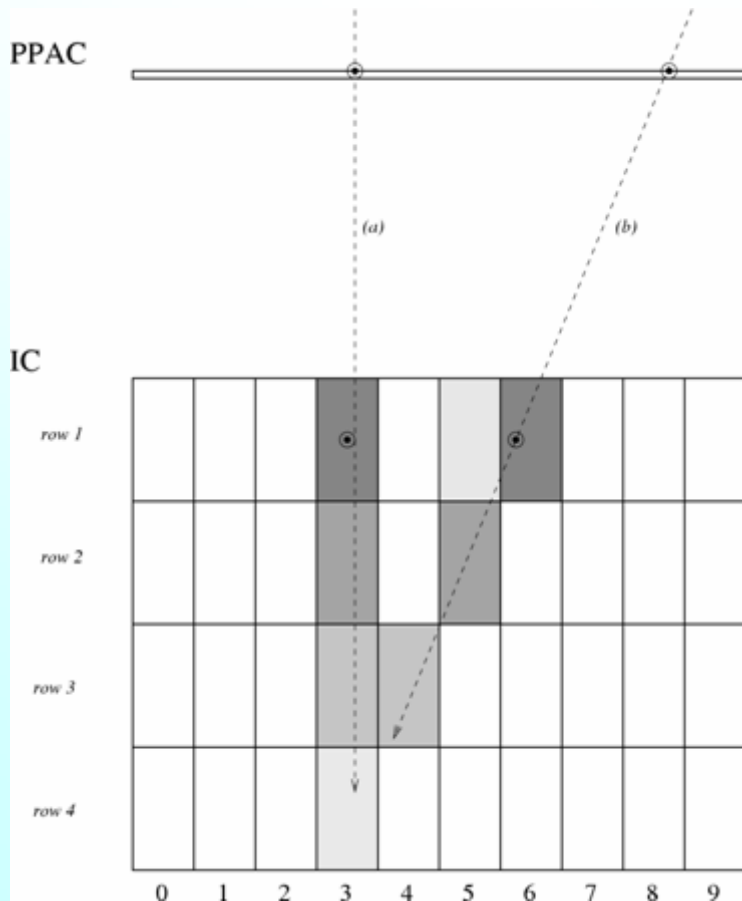
• **Dipole:** bends horizontally the ions with respect to their magnetic rigidity ($B\rho$)



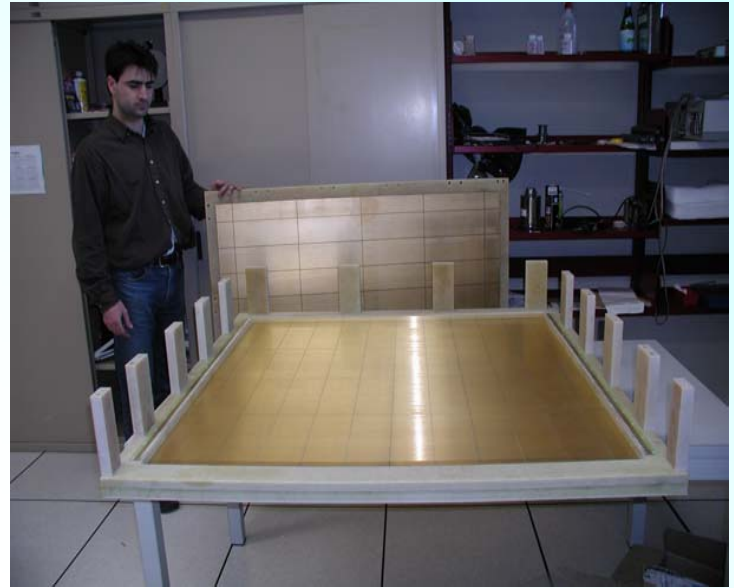
Ionization Chambers

.10x4 sections (10x25 cm²)

. $\Delta E/E < 2\%$

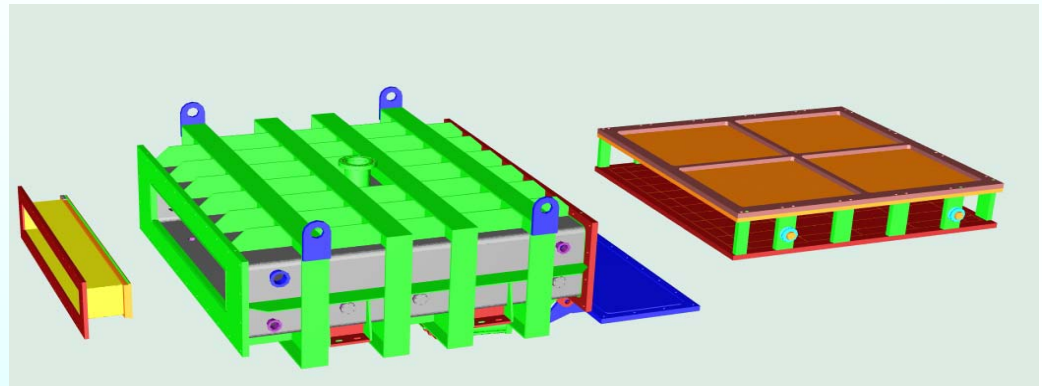


40x2 signals



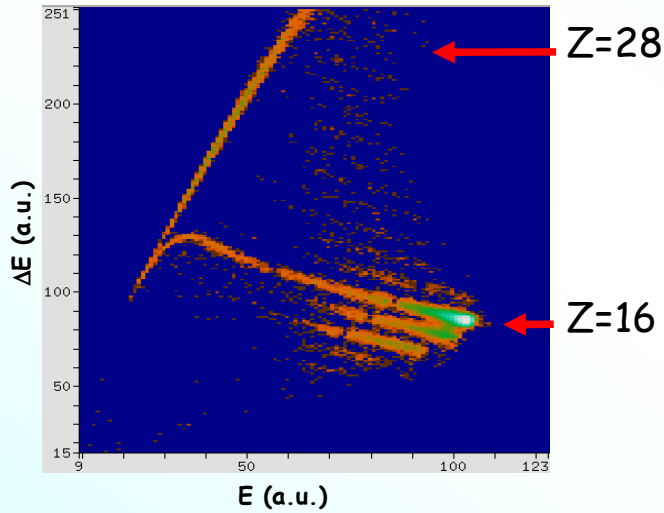
Filling gas: CH₄

Working pressure: 20-100 mbar



In-beam tests: Focal Plane Detectors

195 MeV $^{36}\text{S} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$, $\Theta_{\text{lab}} = 80^\circ$



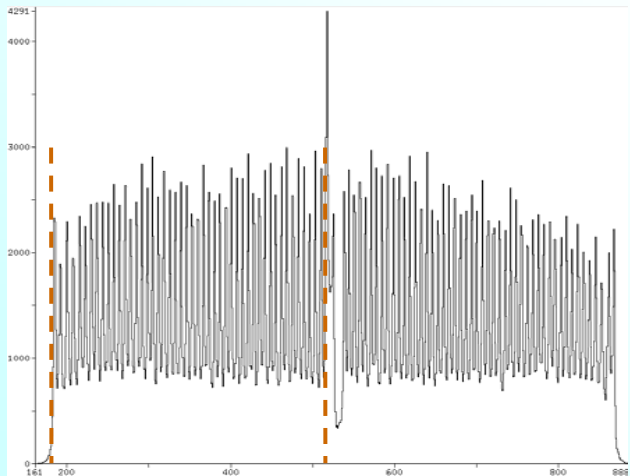
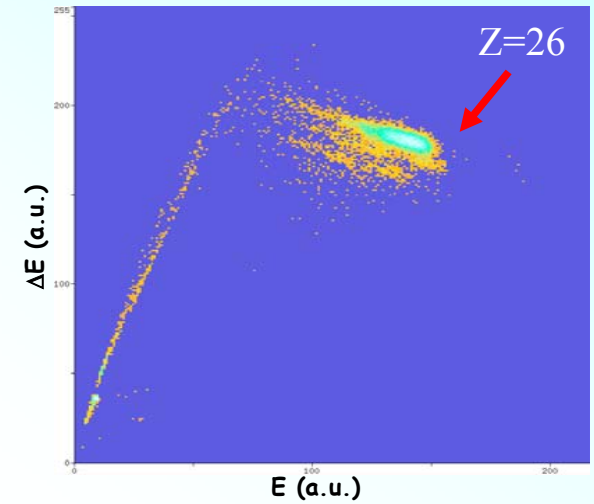
IC

$\Delta E/E < 2\%$
 $\Delta Z/Z \sim 60$

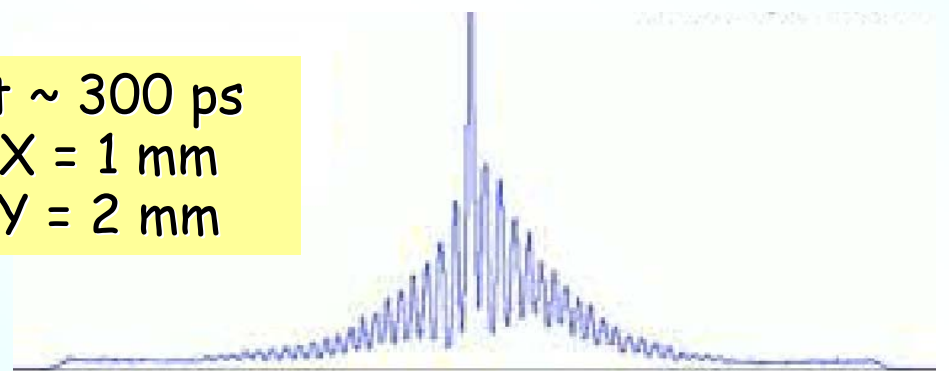
MWPPAC

$\Delta t \sim 300$ ps
 $\Delta X = 1$ mm
 $\Delta Y = 2$ mm

240 MeV $^{56}\text{Fe} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$, $\Theta_{\text{lab}} = 70^\circ$



X position (channels)



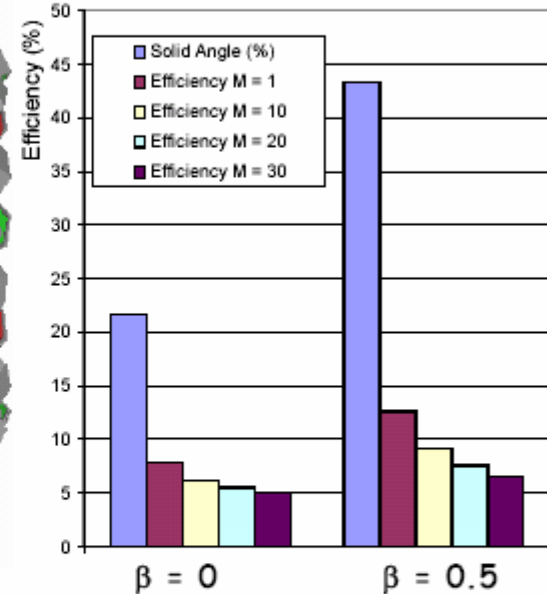
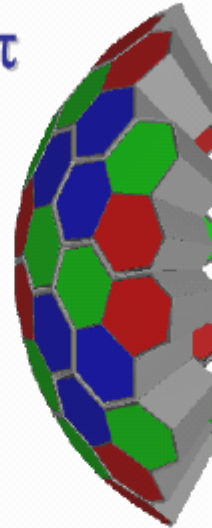
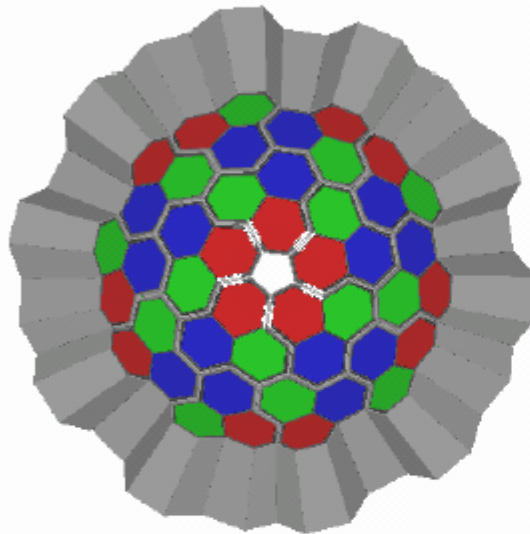
Y position (channels)

The Phases of AGATA 2

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15 Clusters

1π



The first "real" tracking array

Used at FAIR-HISPEC, SPIRAL2, SPES, HI-SIB

Coupled to spectrometer, beam tracker, LCP arrays ...

Spectroscopy at the N=Z (^{100}Sn), n-drip line nuclei, ...

Ready by 2010