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Astrophysics – Critical Nuclear Physics

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Atomic Physics

Gravitation

Particle Physics

Plasma Physics



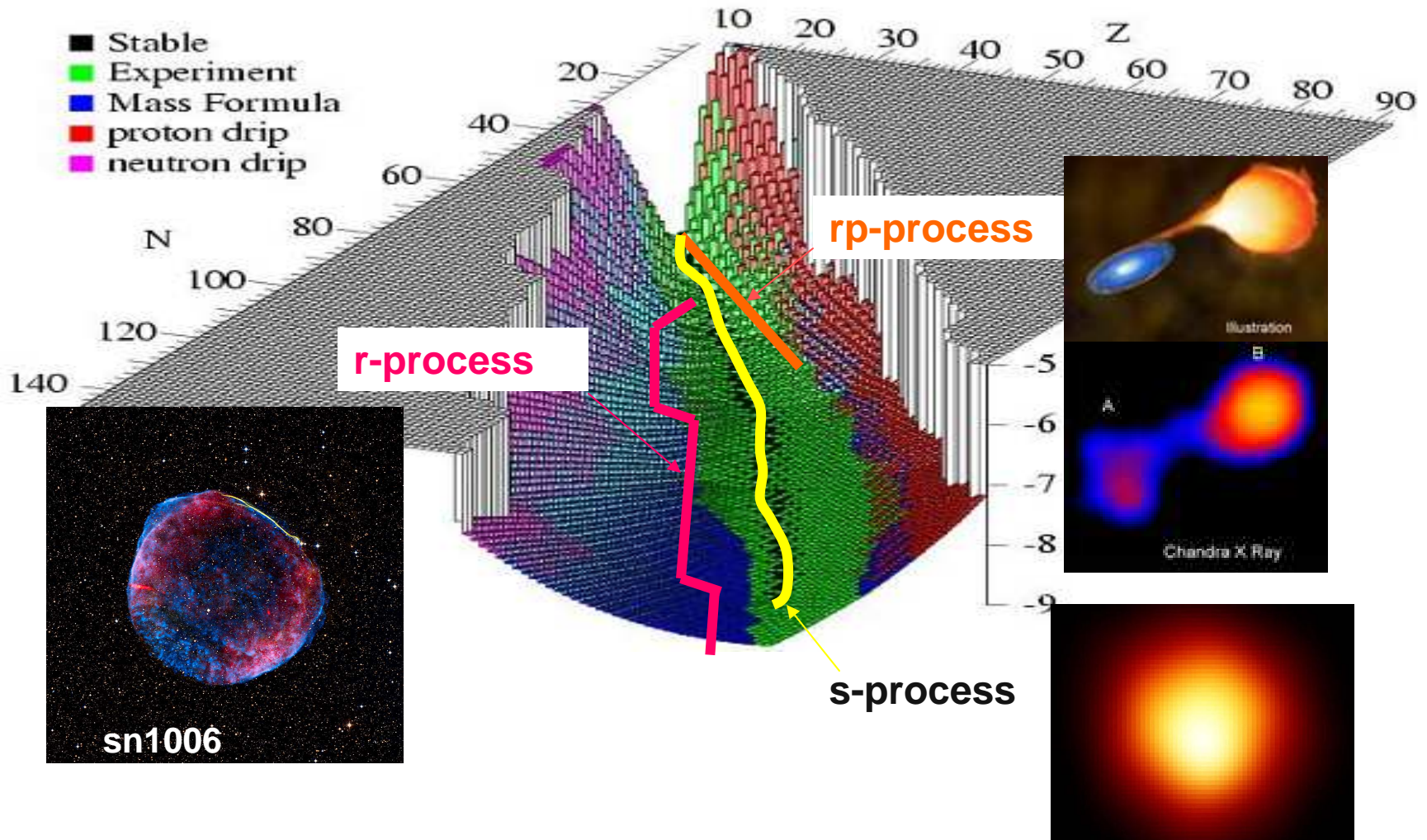
**Astronomical
Observations**

Cosmology

Nuclear Physics

Neutrino Physics

Nuclei involved in Astrophysics

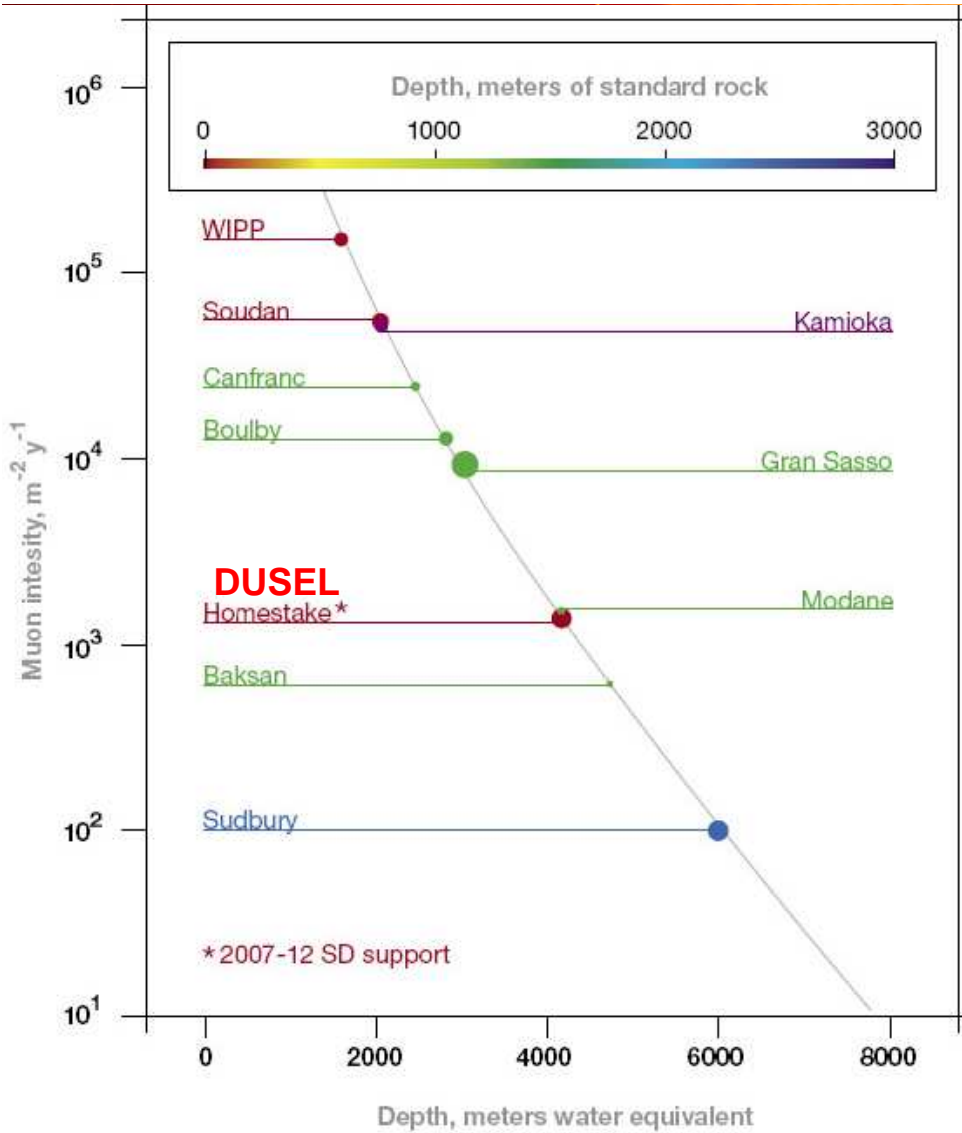


Experiments with stable beams and targets:

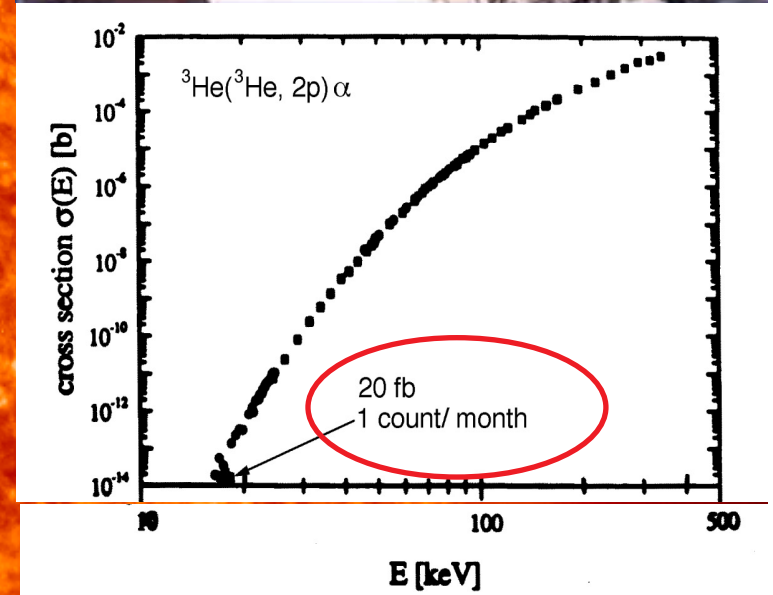
provide data for BB nucleo-synthesis and quiescent burning scenarios

Need:

- High beam intensities
- thick targets, that can tolerate the beams
- low backgrounds
- long runs



LUNA Gran Sasso



See session 3: (C. Iliadis, G. Imbriani)

Experiments with radioactive beams:

provide data for explosive burning scenarios:

Need:

- Beams of unstable nuclei (low intensities, contaminants)
- thick targets (to compensate for the intensity)
- long runs

Outline

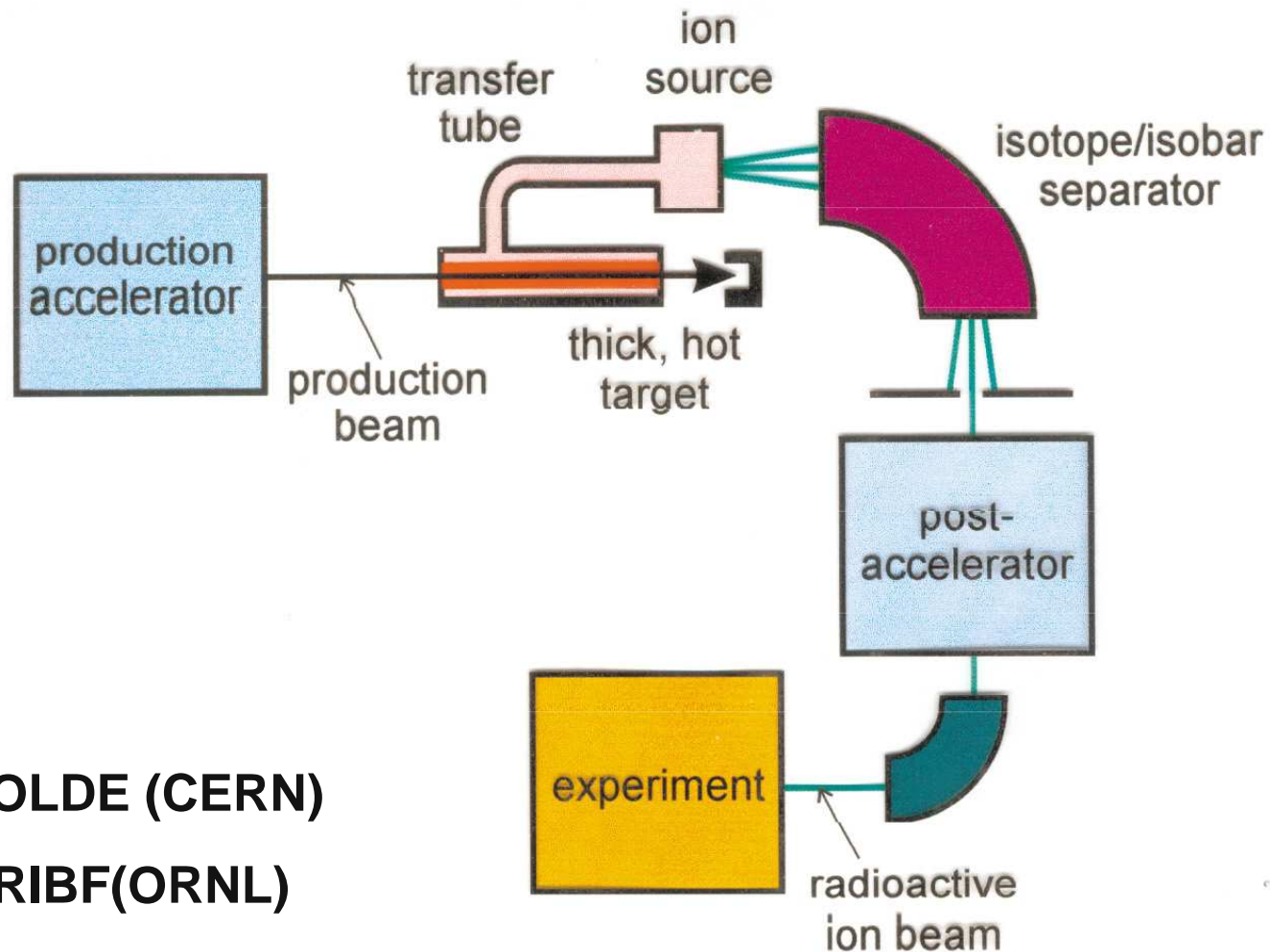
1. Gross properties

- drip lines
- $T_{1/2}$
- masses

2. Reaction rates

- (p, γ)
- (α, γ)
- (α, p)
- Fusion ($^{12}\text{C} + ^{12}\text{C}$)

Radioactive beam production: Isotope Separation OnLine (ISOL)

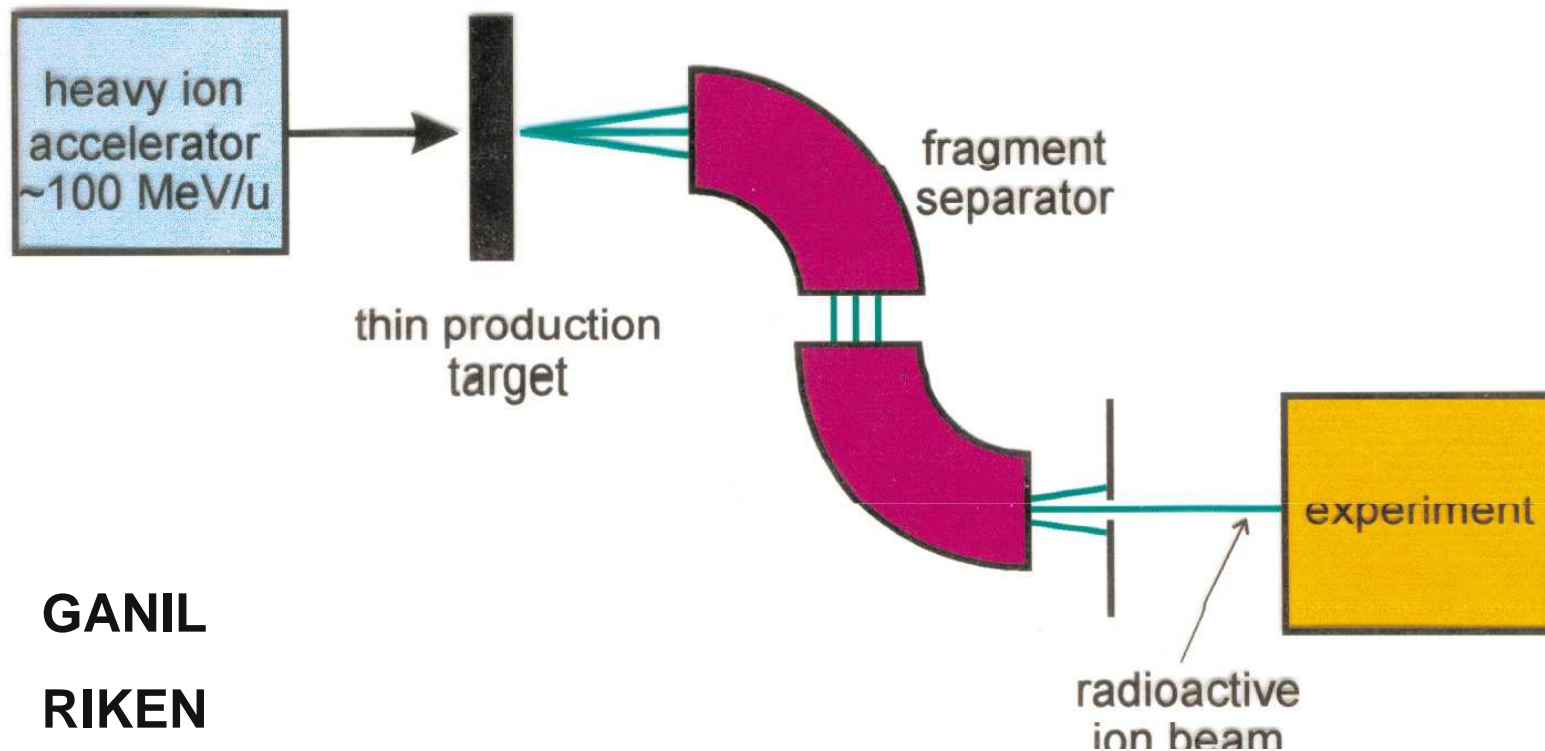


ISOLDE (CERN)

HIRIBF(ORNL)

ISAC(TRIUMF)

Radioactive beam production: Fragmentation Technique



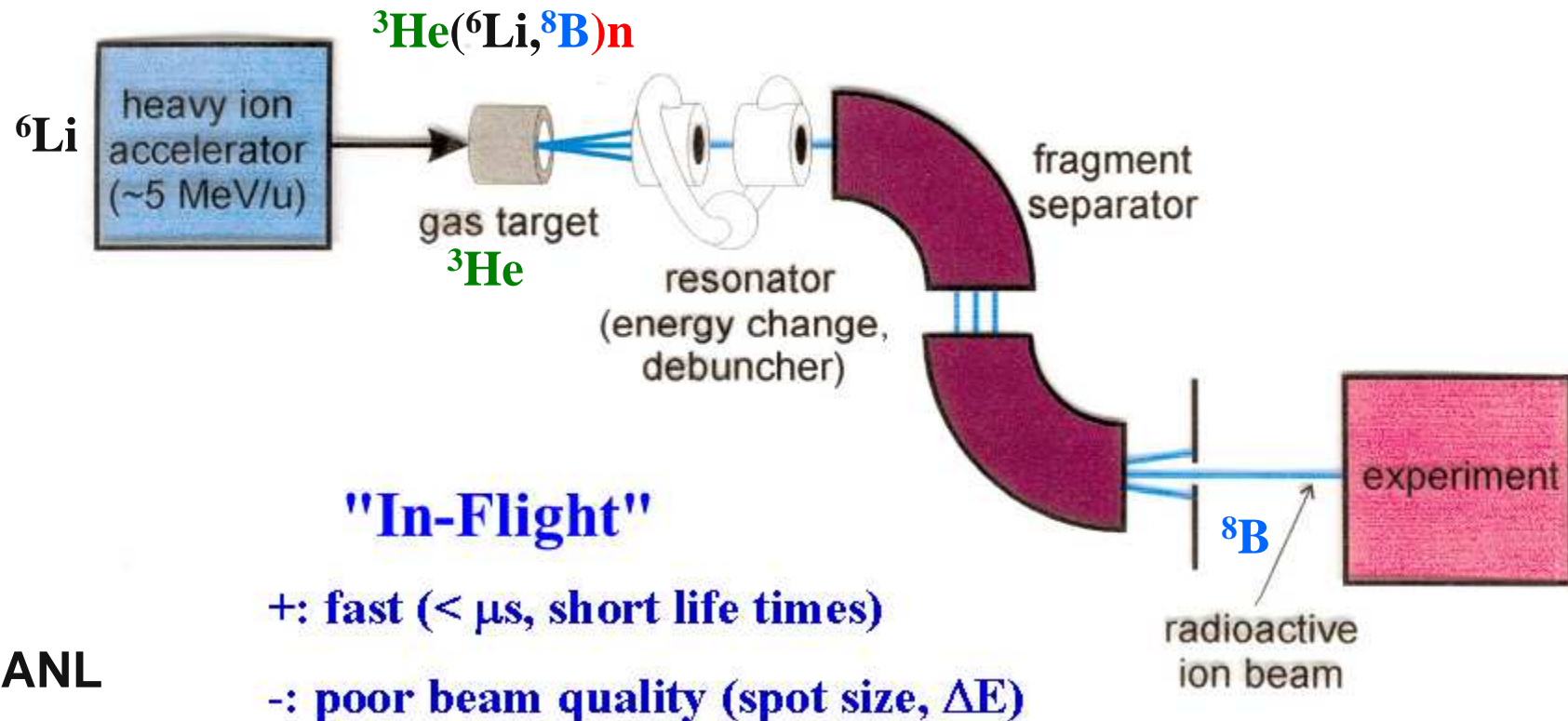
GANIL

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GSI

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Radioactive beam production: In-Flight technique



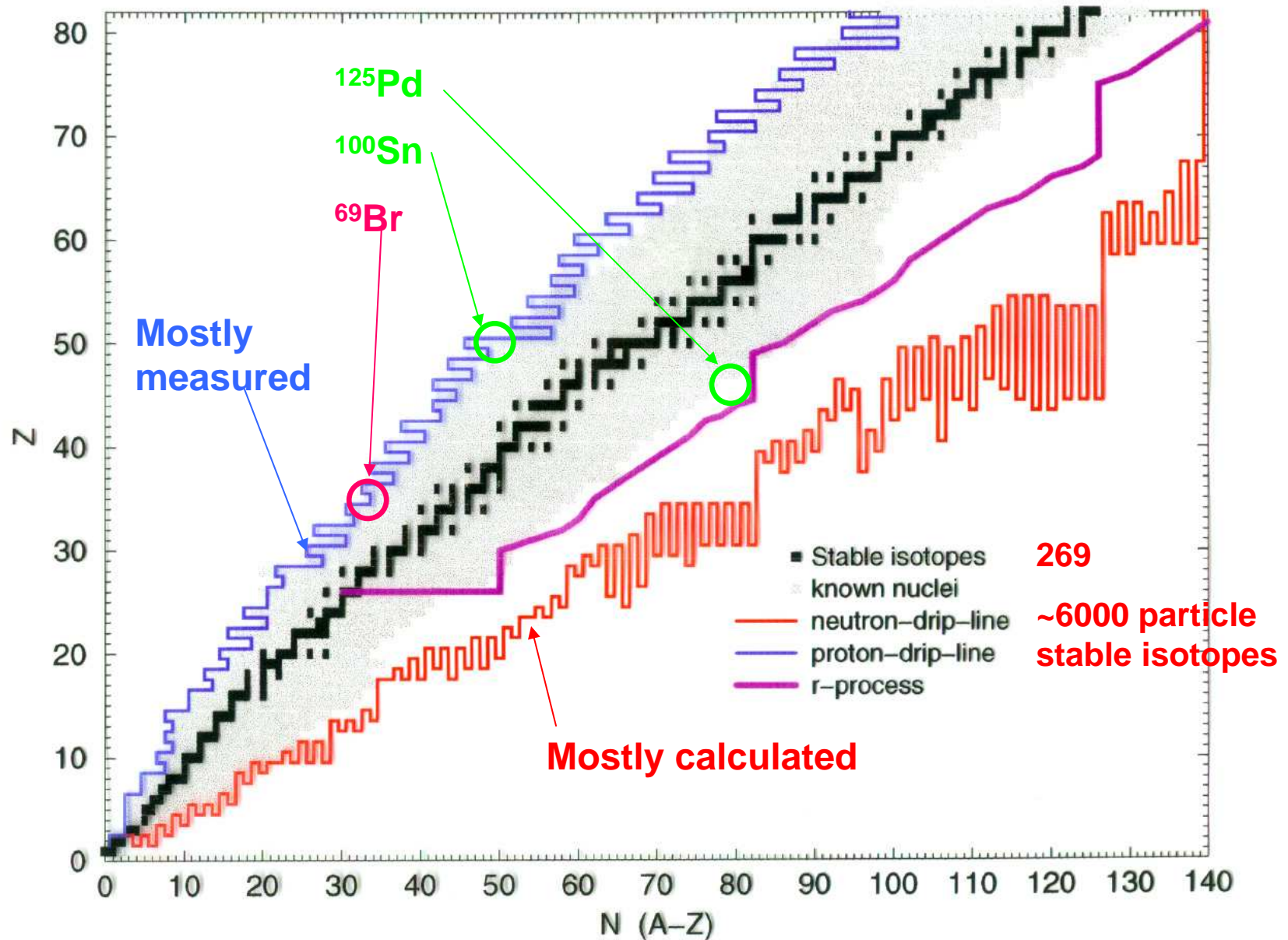
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The Nuclear Landscape





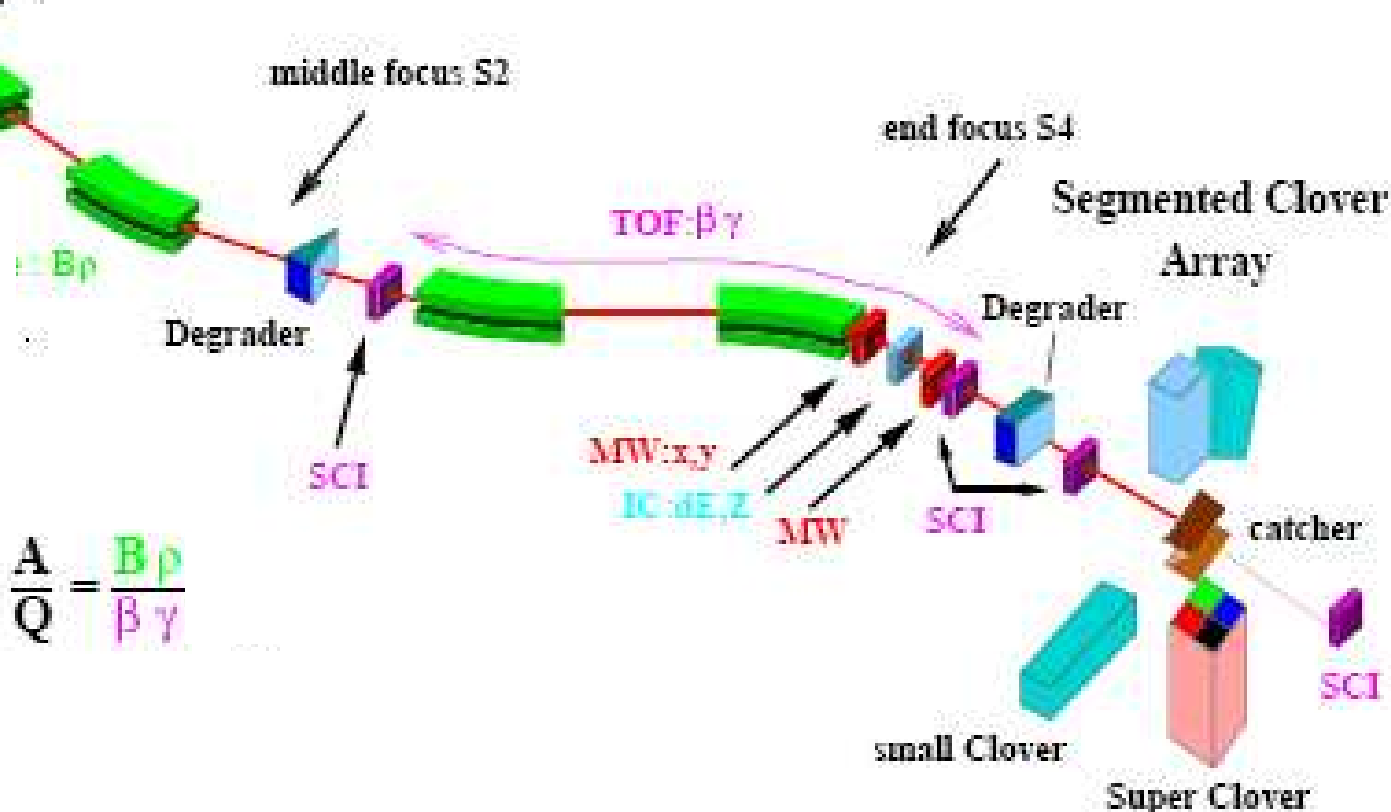
SIS accelerator GSI

1 GeV/u

production target

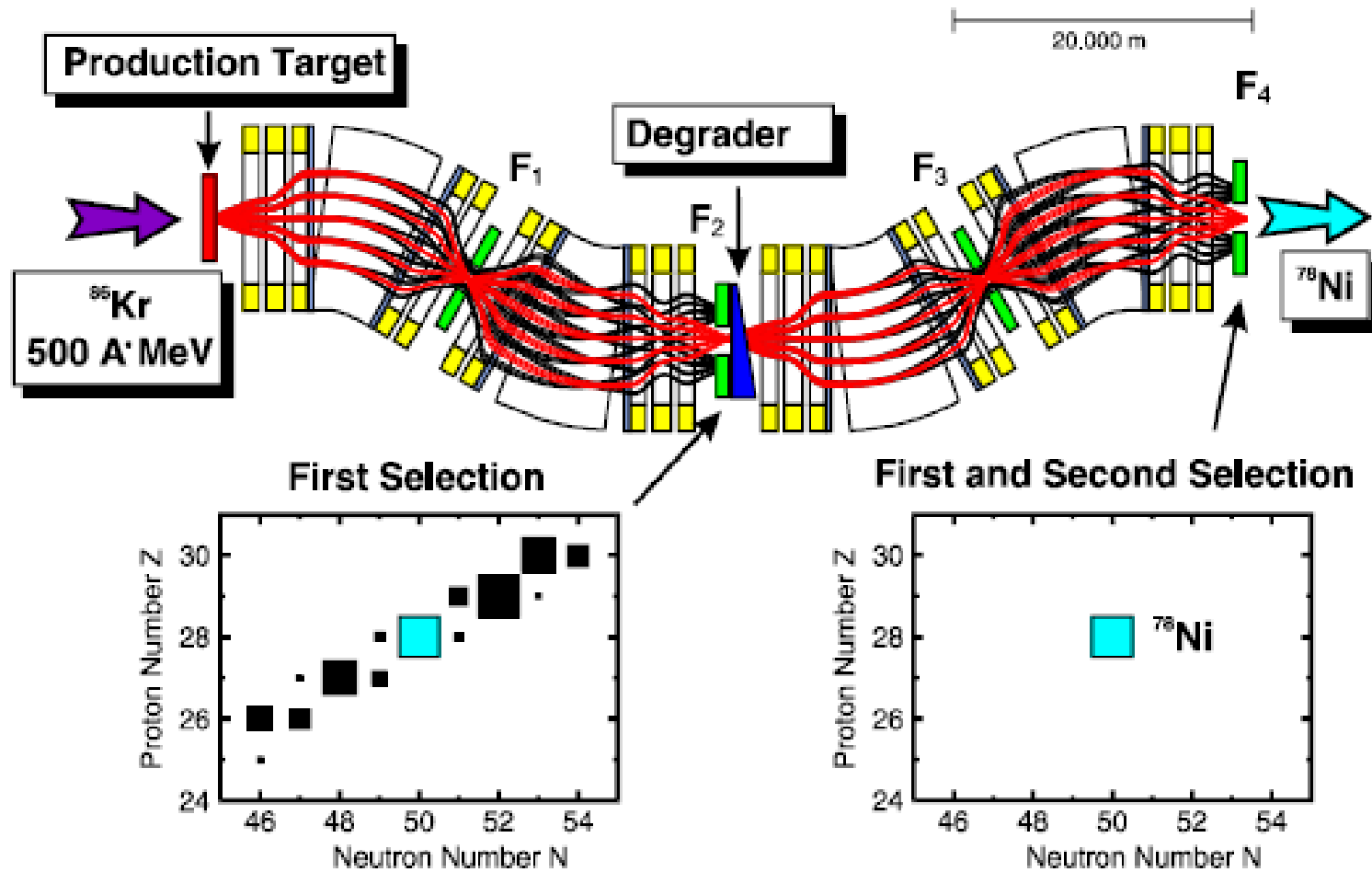
Radioactive beam production at GSI

primary beam:
1 GeV/u ^{124}Xe
Dominated by
fully stripped ions

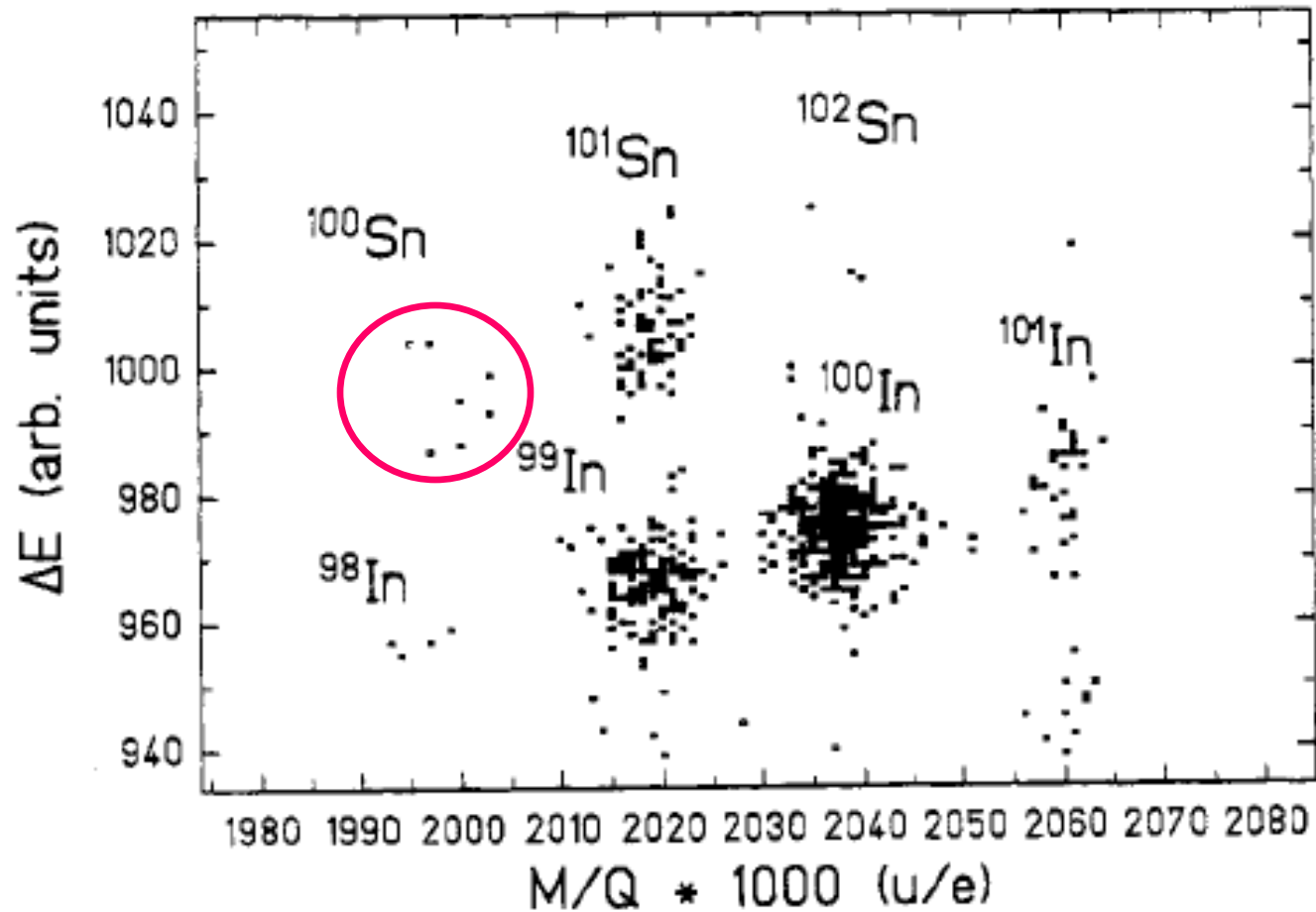


$$\frac{A}{Q} = \frac{B\rho}{\beta\gamma}$$

$B\rho - \Delta E - B\rho$ Separation Method



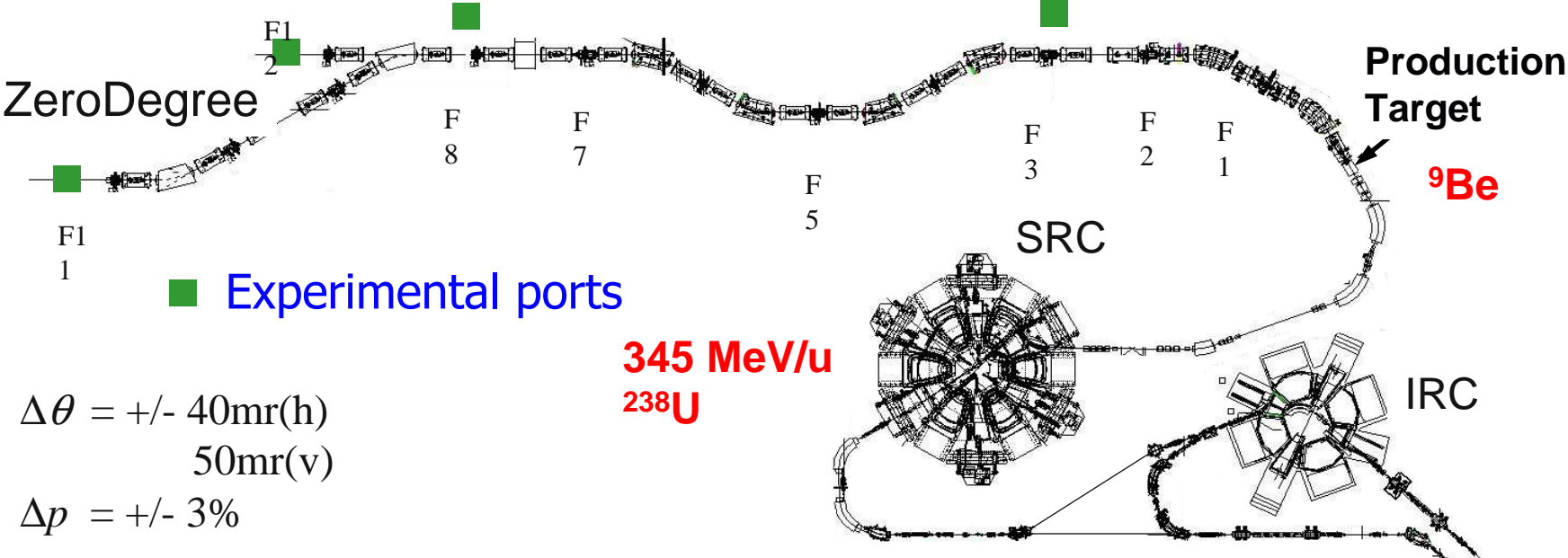
First detection of the N=Z nucleus ^{100}Sn

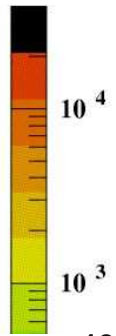
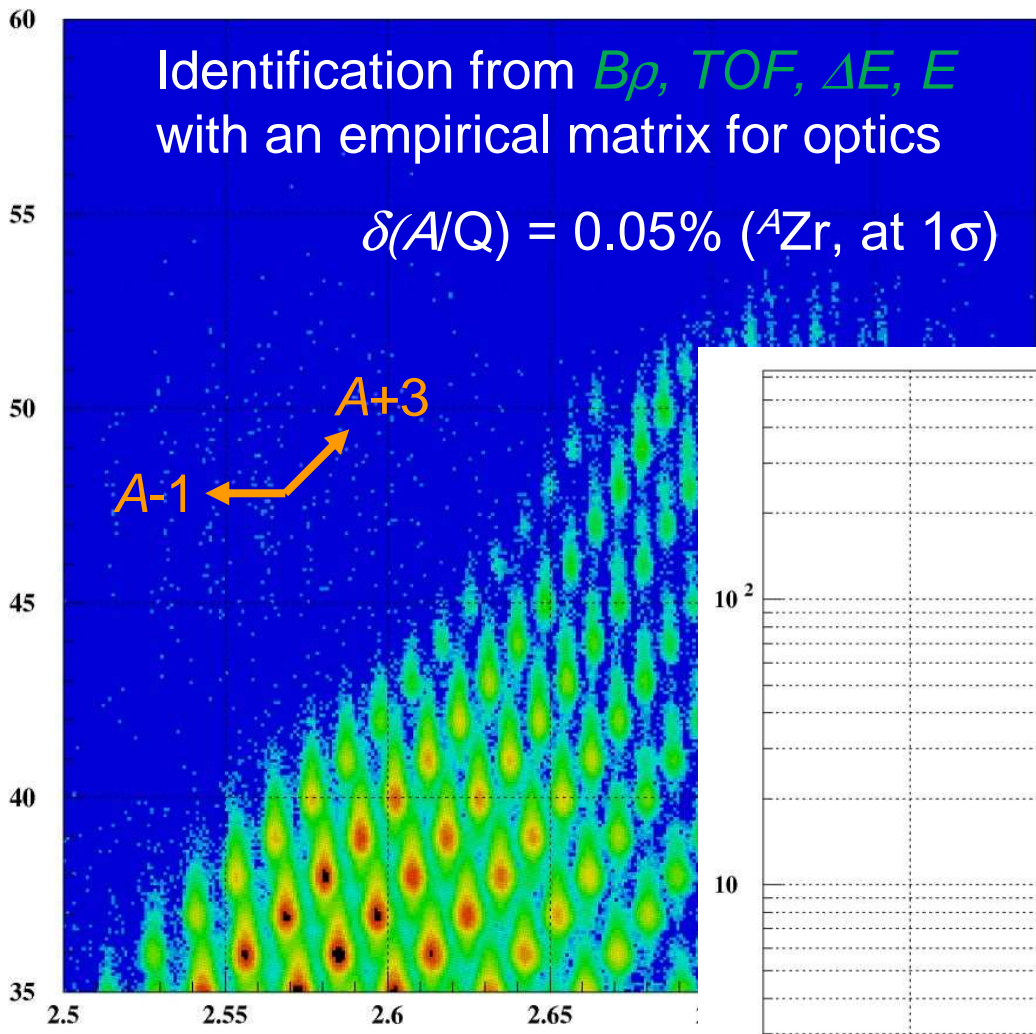


R. Schneider et al., Phys. Scr. T56, 67(1995)

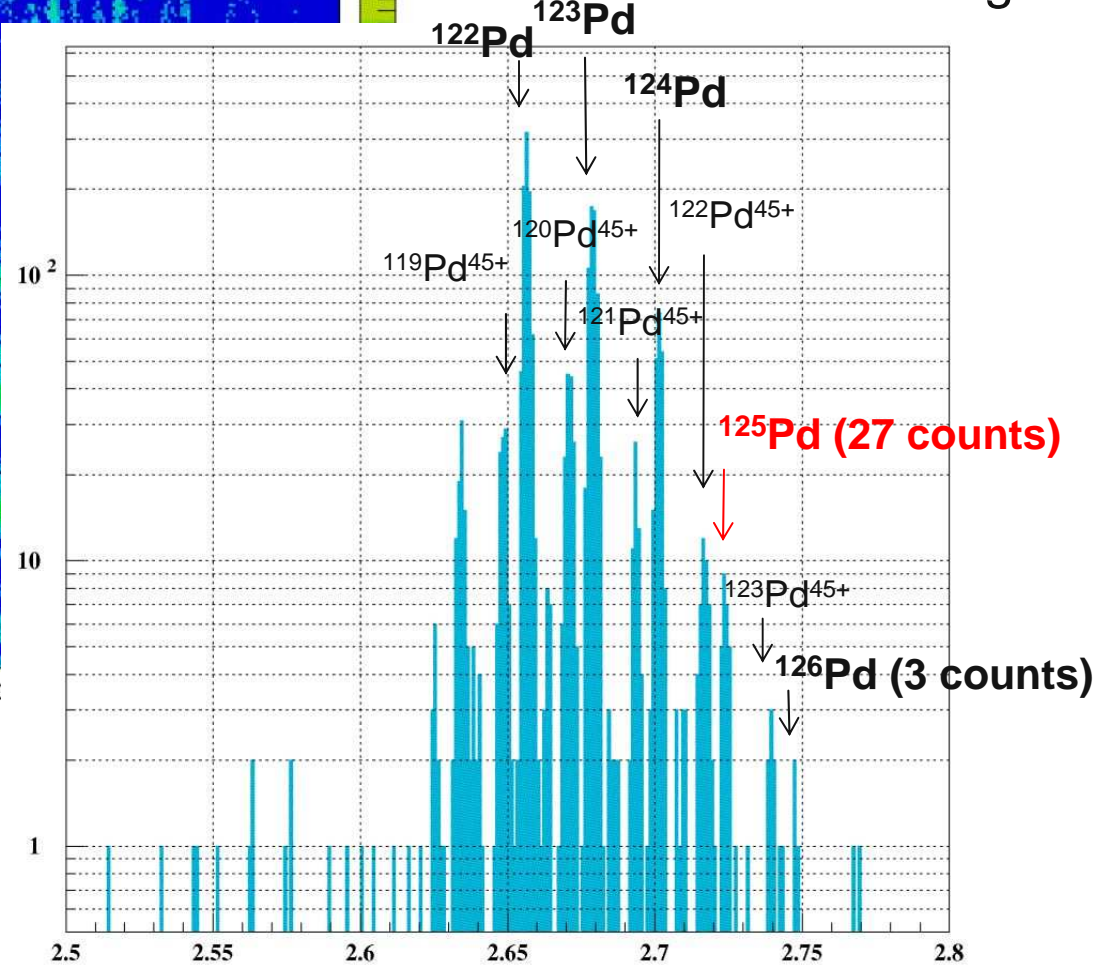
Radioactive beam production at RIKEN

BigRIPS



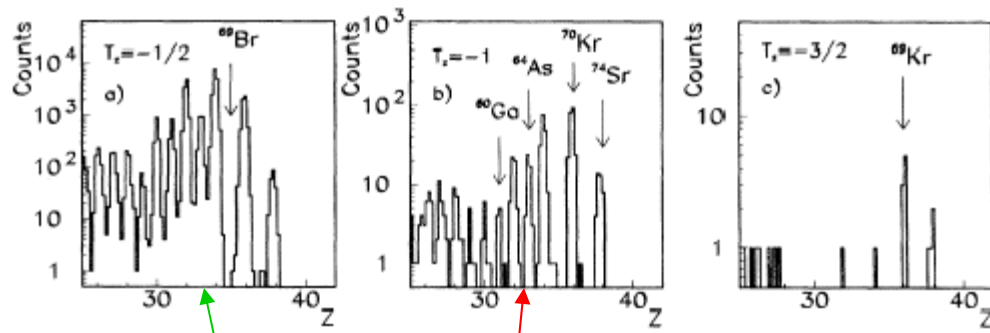


3.6×10^{12} $^{238}\text{U}^{86+}$ beam
(4×10^7 s $^{-1}$, -1day)
- 10^{-5} of the goal

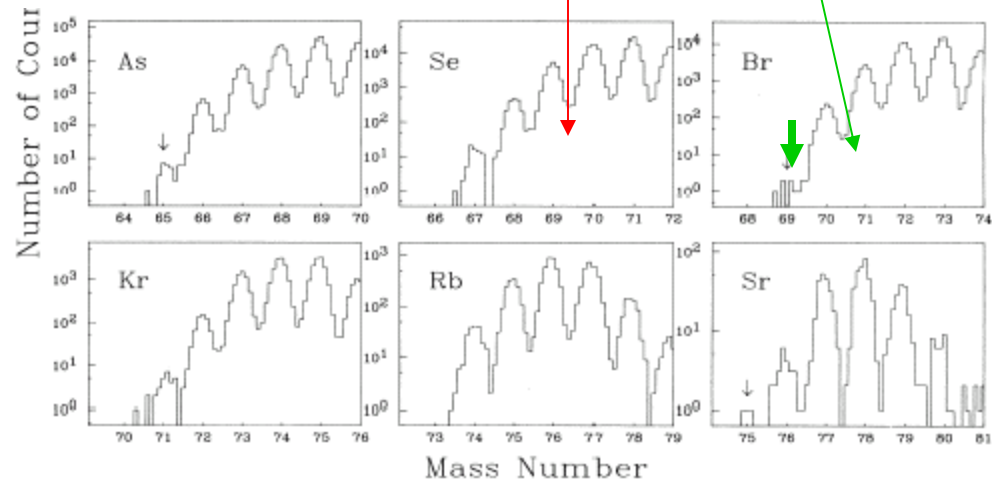
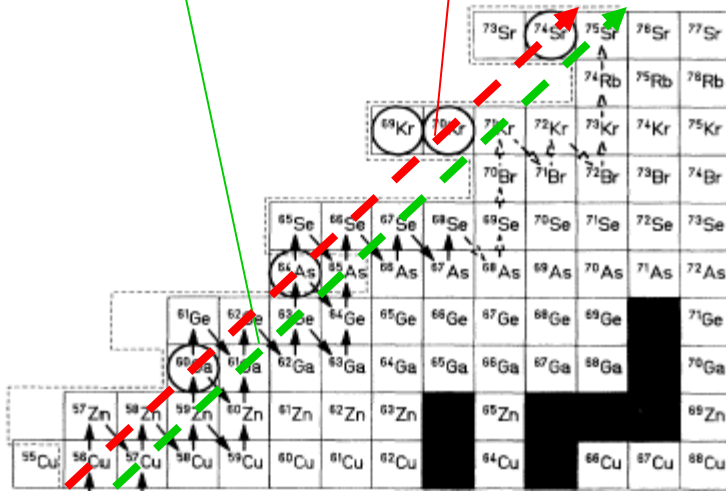
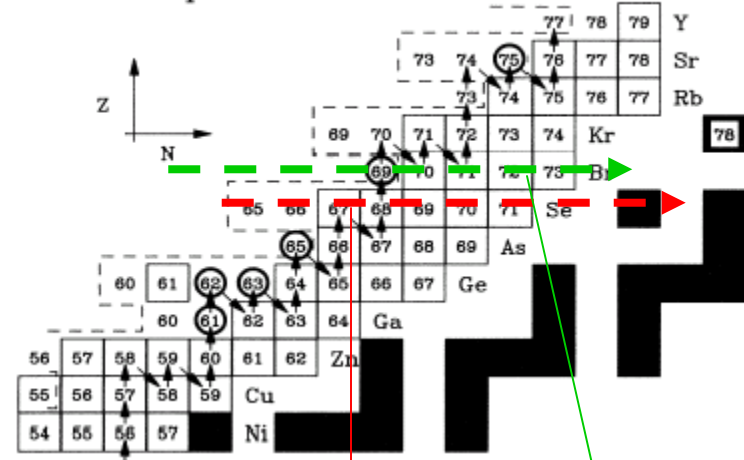


Not fully stripped!

Caveat: Existence/non-existence: ⁶⁹Br



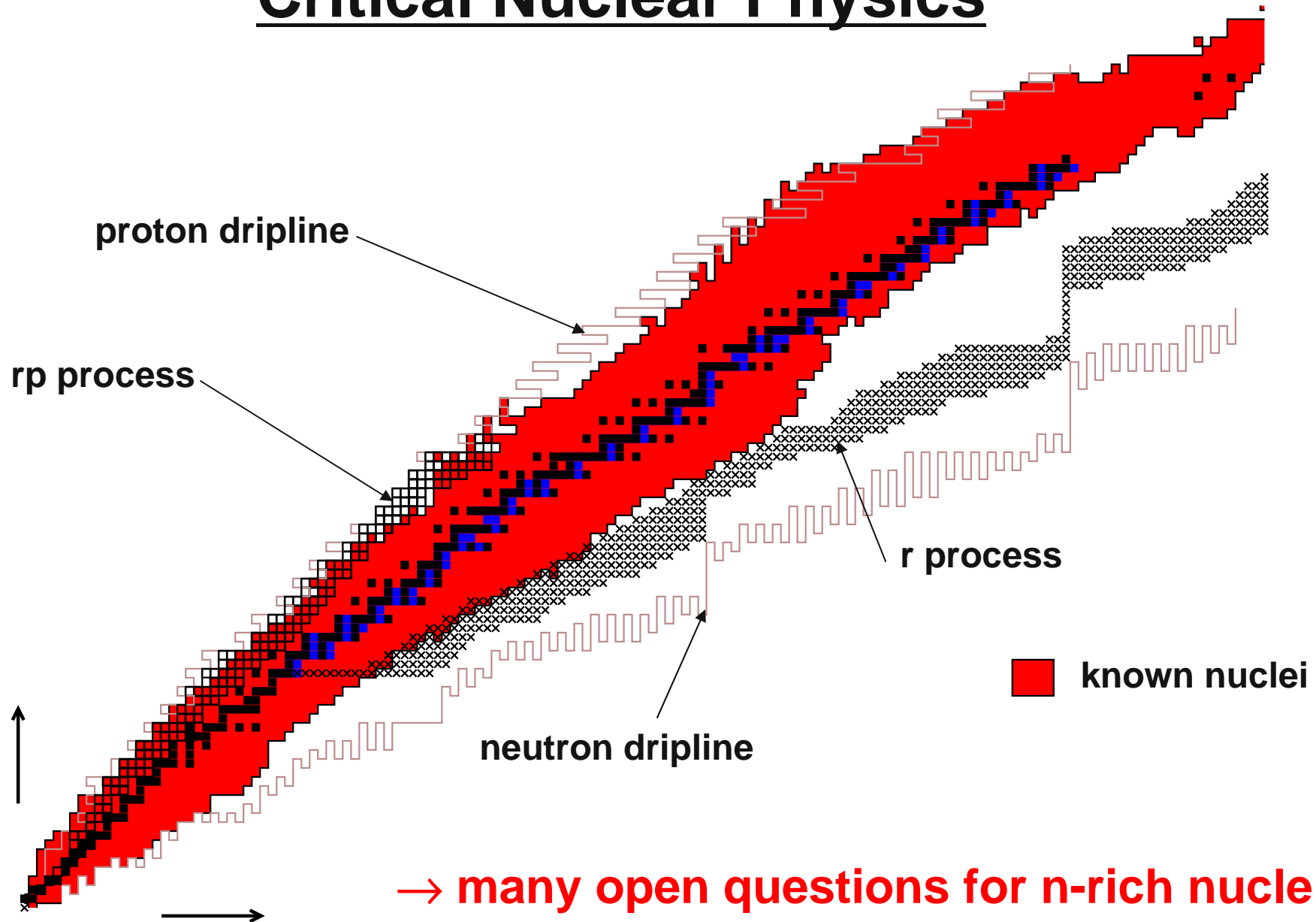
Proton Drip Line Nuclei

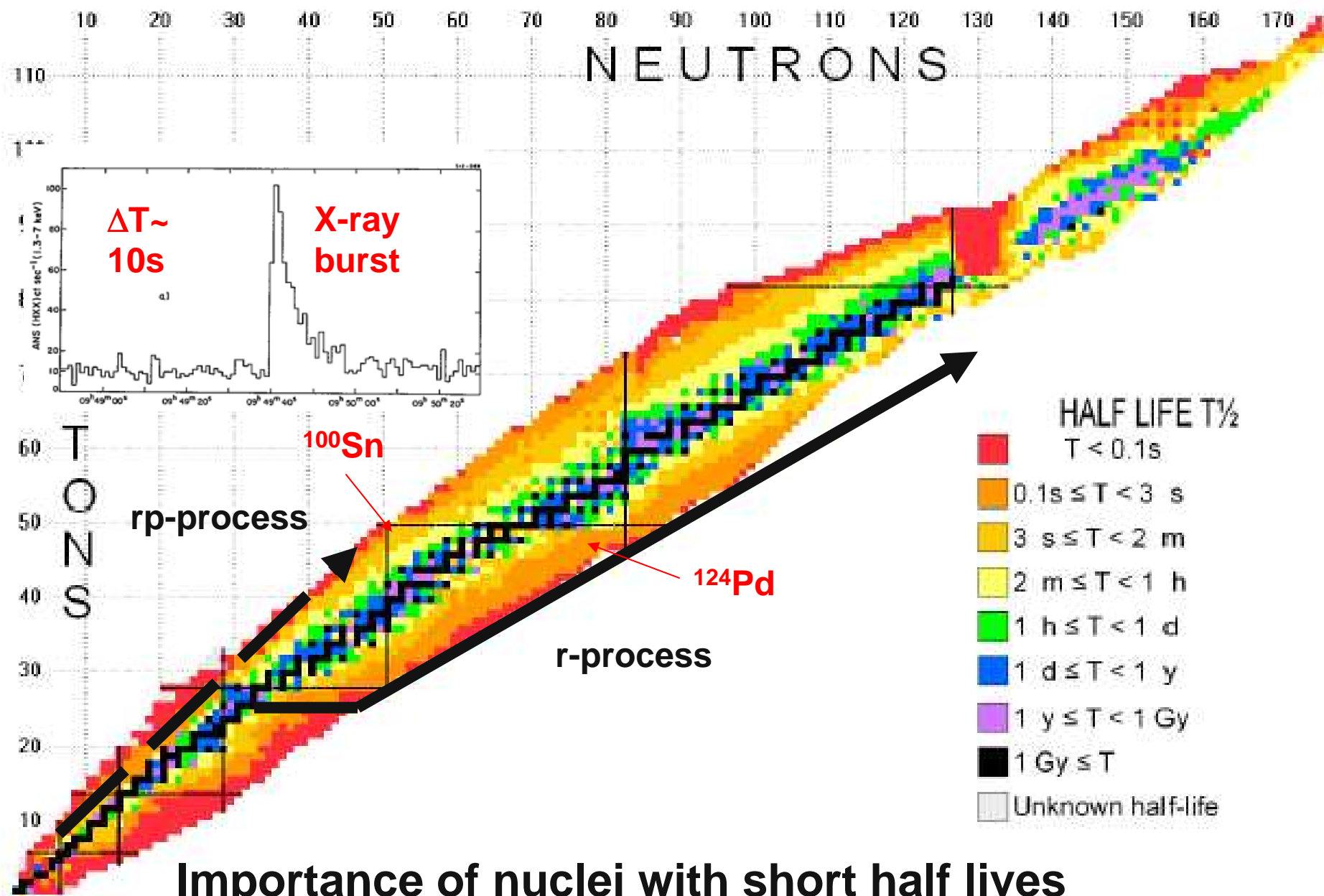


B. Blank et al. PRL 74,4611(1995)

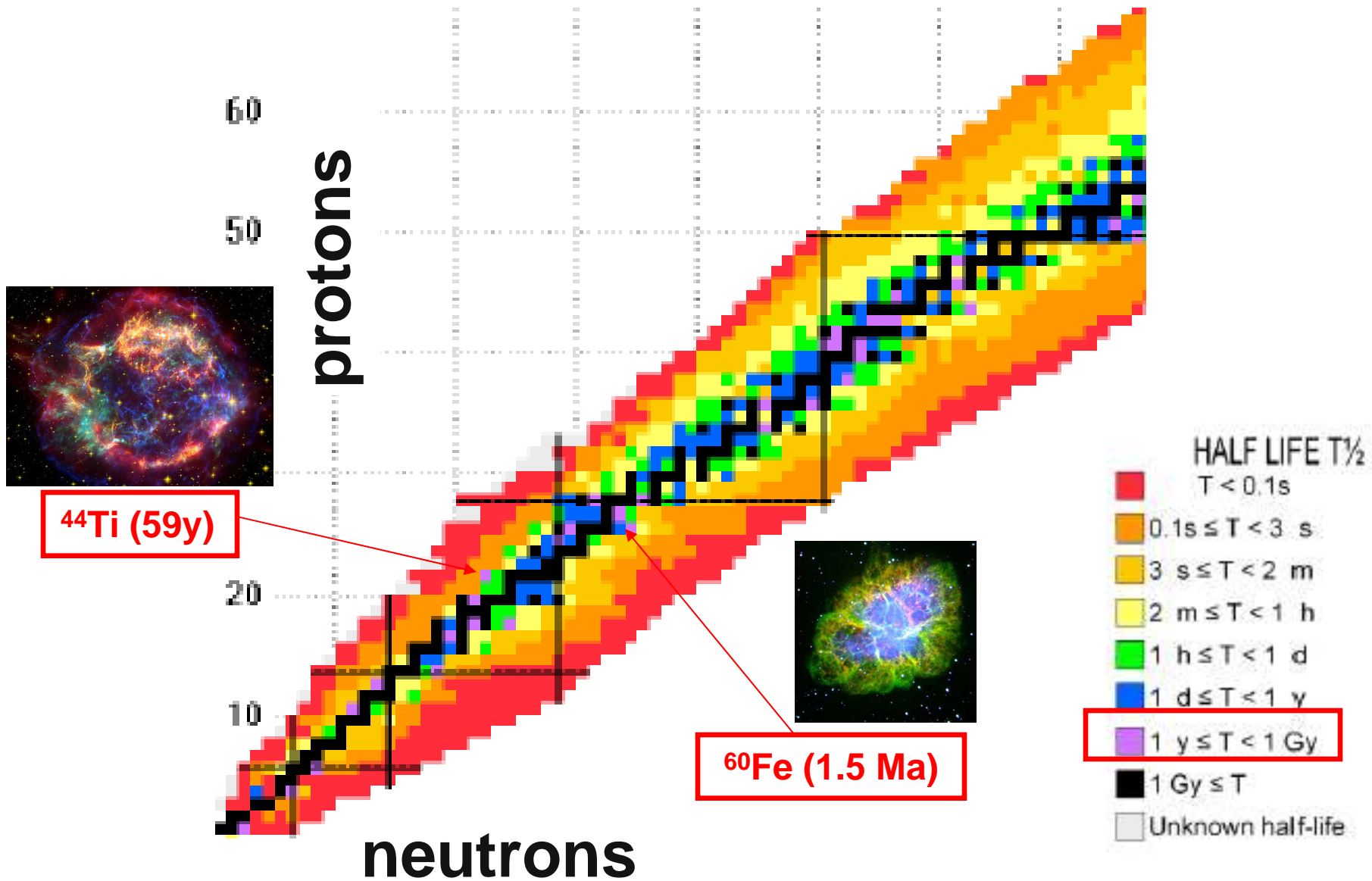
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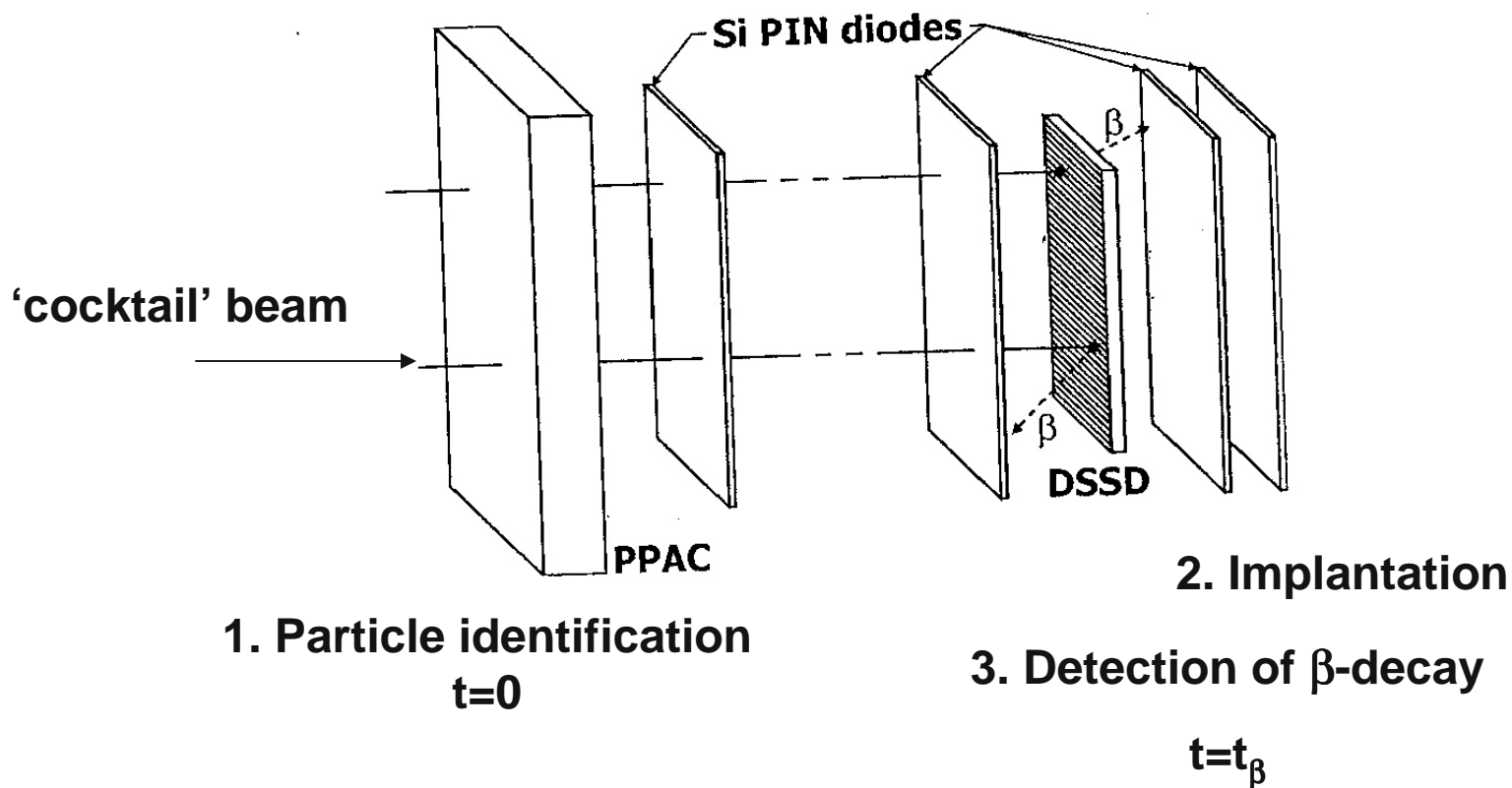


Importance of nuclei with short half lives



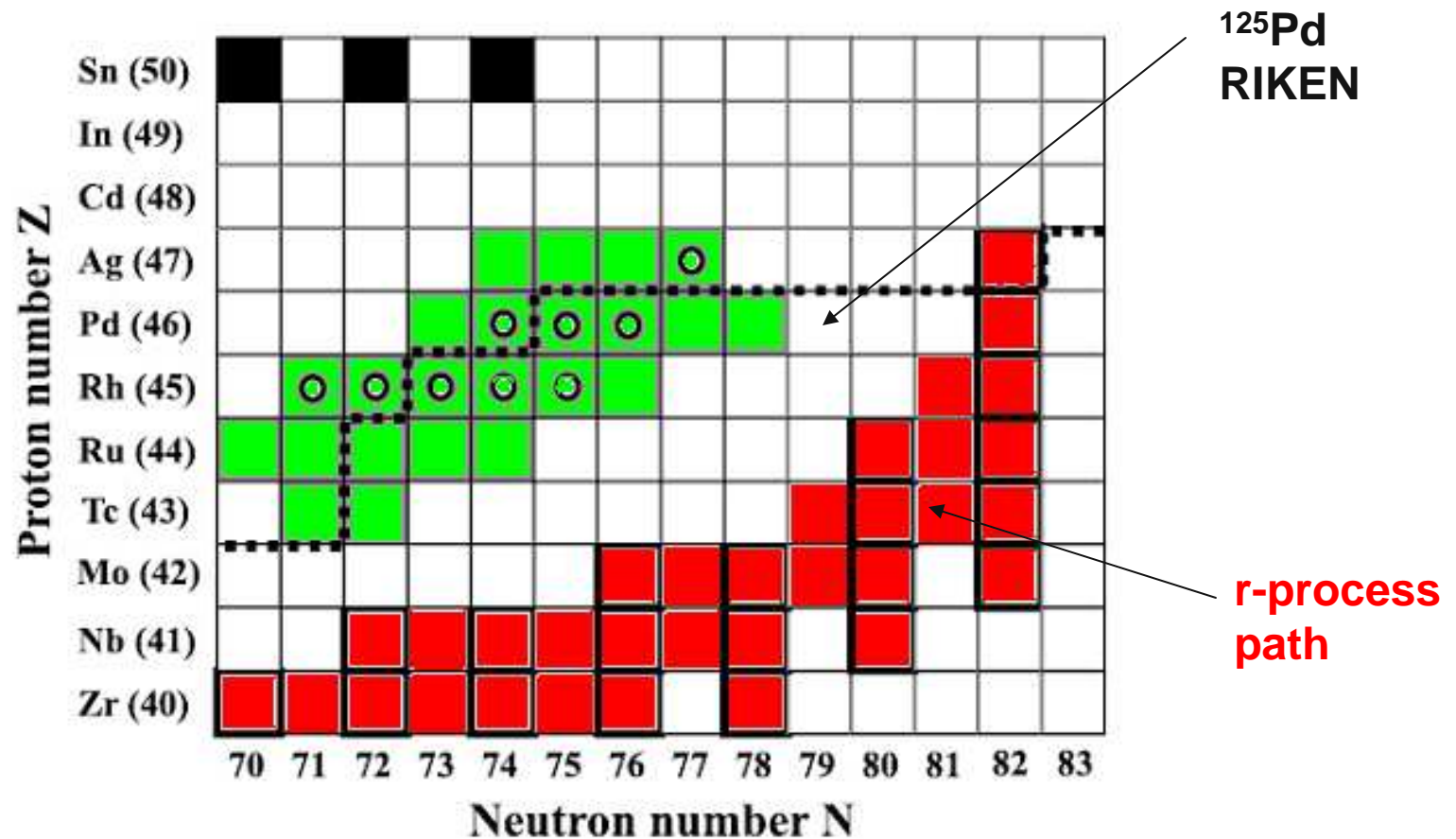
Importance of nuclei with long half lives

Principle of Half-life Measurements

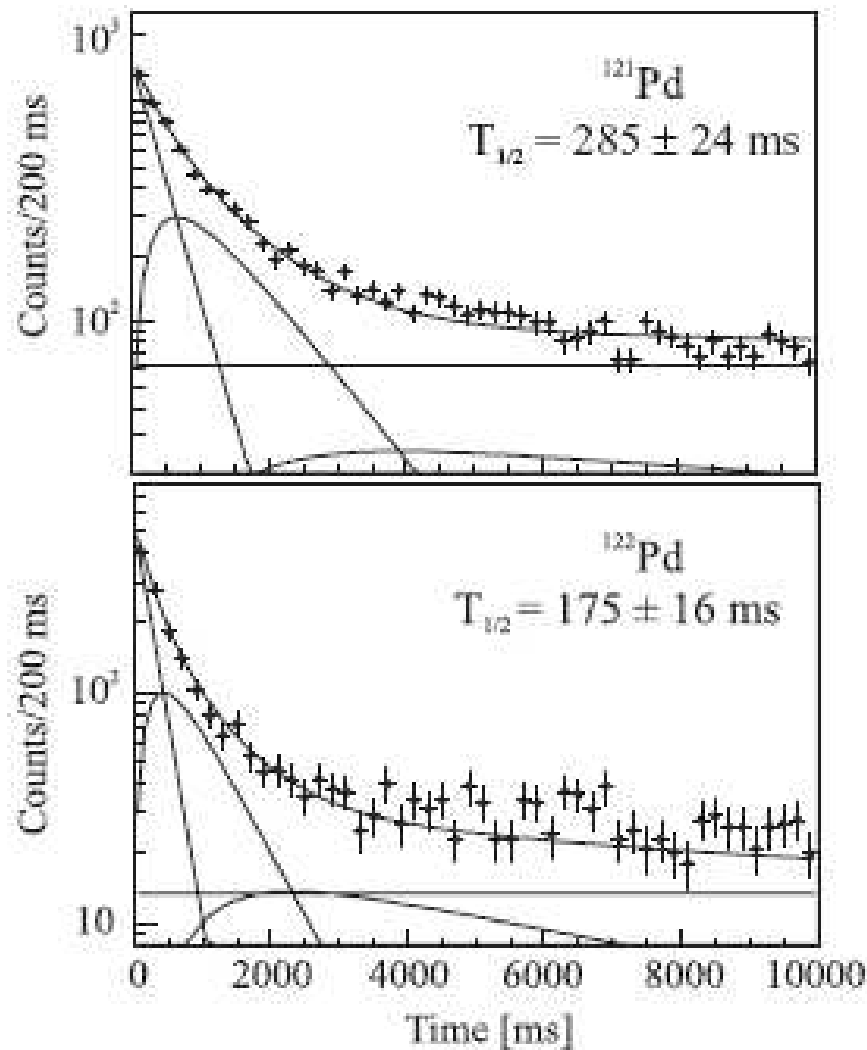


J. J. Prisciandaro et al. NIMA 505, 140(2003)

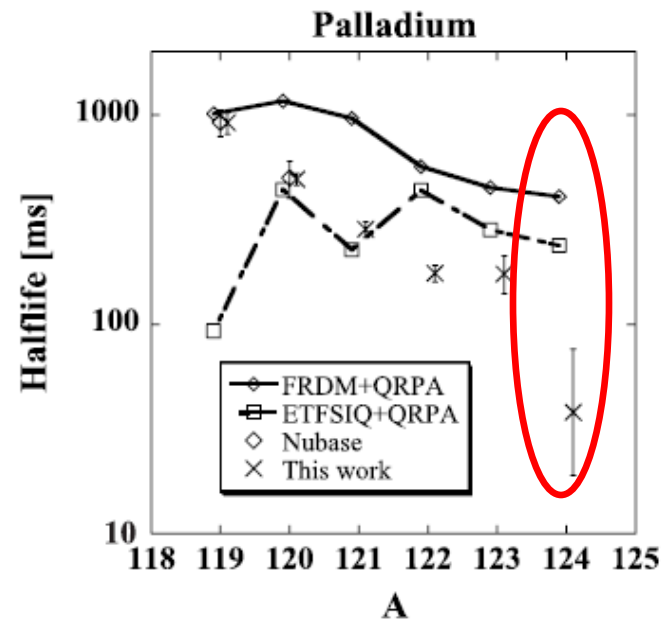
Example 2: n-rich Pd nuclei



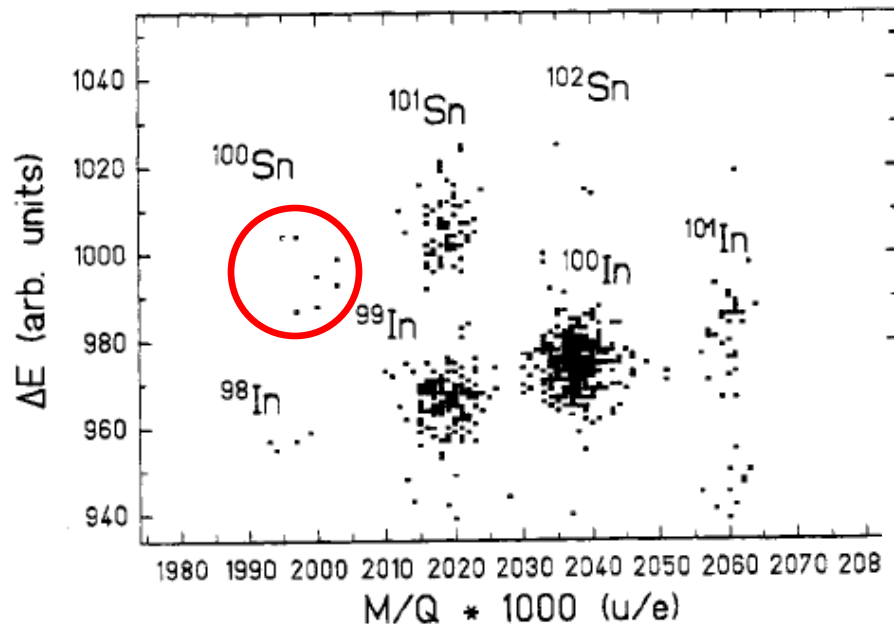
F. Montes et al. PRC73, 035801(2006)



	Events	$T_{1/2}$ (ms)
^{120}Pd	8802	492(33)
^{121}Pd	11646	285(24)
^{122}Pd	2626	175(16)
^{123}Pd	293	174^{38}_{34}
^{124}Pd	30	38^{38}_{19}

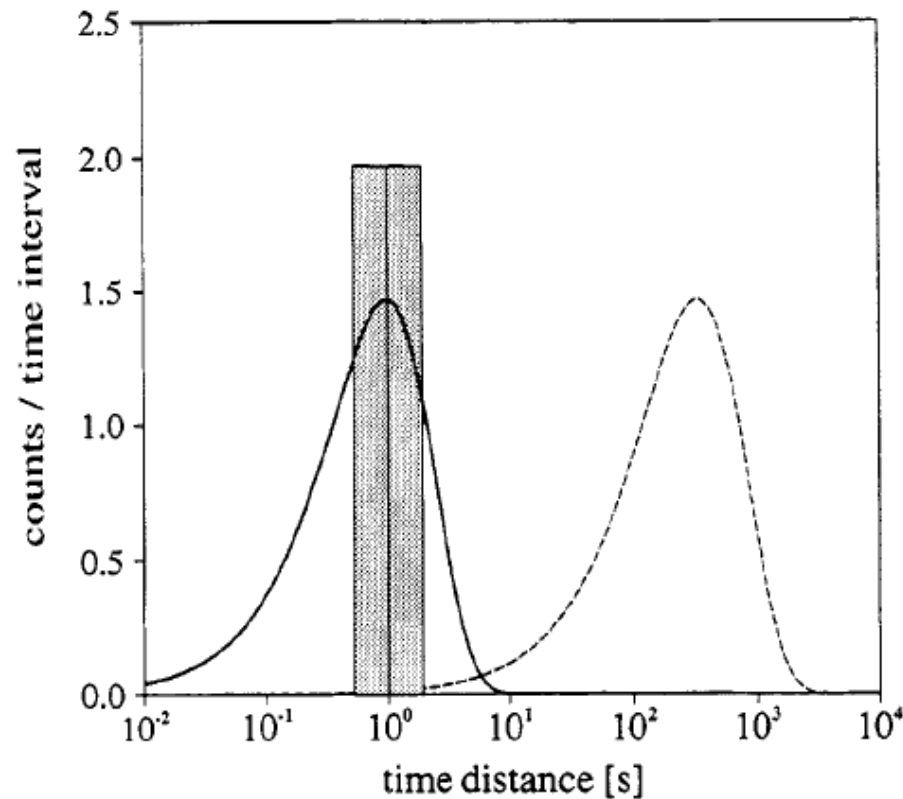


Example: ^{100}Sn $T_{1/2}=0.94\text{s}$



R. Schneider et al.

Phys. Scr. T56, 67 (1995)



Event #	β -energy of ^{100}Sn (MeV)	Measured decay times (s)		
		^{100}Sn	^{100}In $\tau = 9\text{ s}$	^{100}Cd $\tau = 90\text{ s}$
1	0.7	0.716	6.6	
2	1.6	1.208		36
3	1.4	1.219	13.3	35
4	2.7	0.655		69
5				26
6	1.5	0.98		
7	1.6	3.02	9.1	

Measurement of very long half lives: ^{60}Fe ($T_{1/2} \sim 1.5 \text{ Ma}$)

Principle:

1. Produce ^{60}Fe (e.g. in a beam stop of an accelerator) ($N \sim 10^{15}$ atoms).
2. Measure the activity of the sample.
3. Calculate (Roy and Kohman, Can. J. Phys. 35, 649(1957) or
4. Measure (Kutschera et al., NIMB5, 430(1984)) the number of atoms produced.
5. Use the relation $A(t) = \lambda N(t)$.

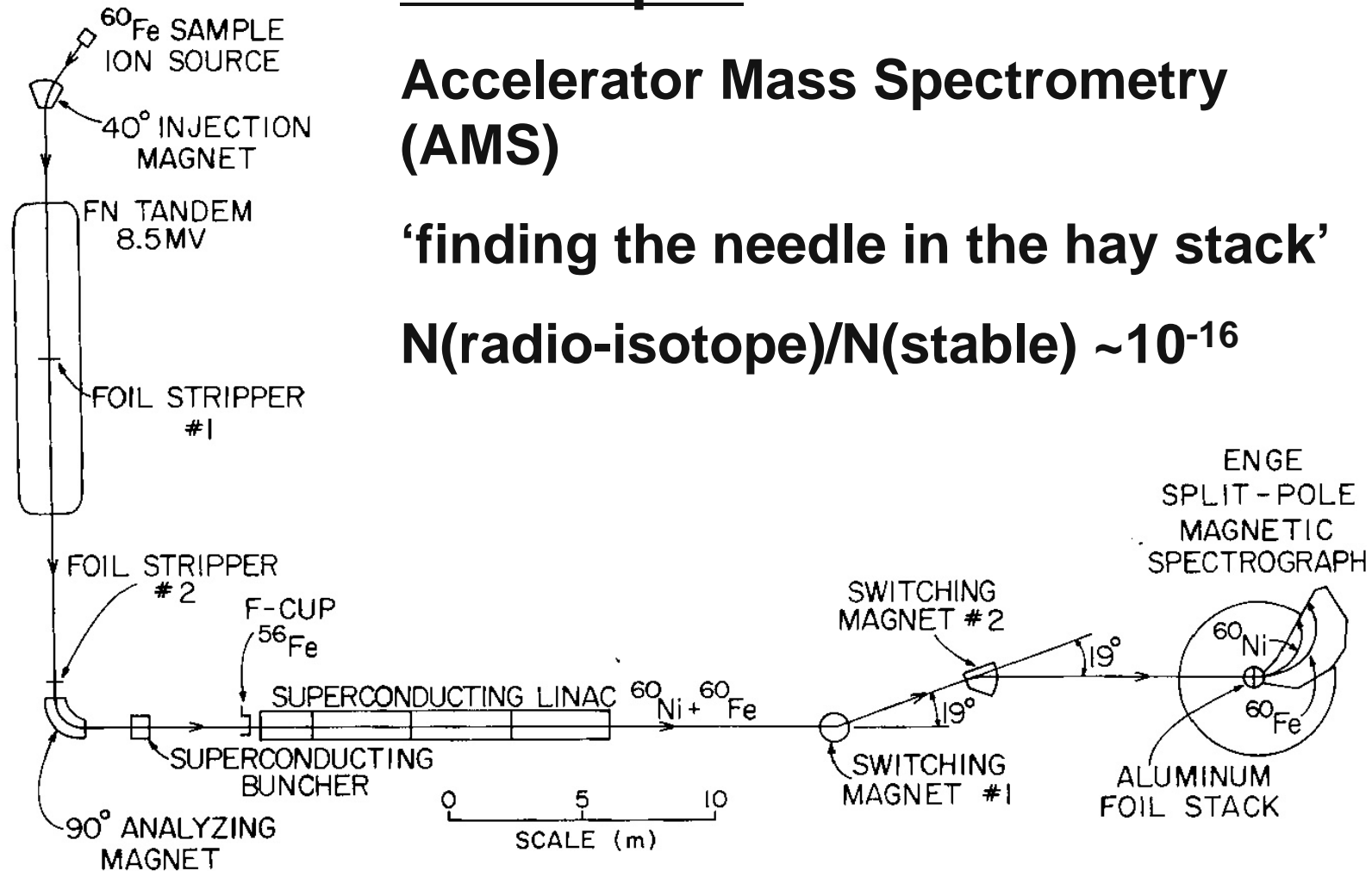
Measuring the number of atoms:

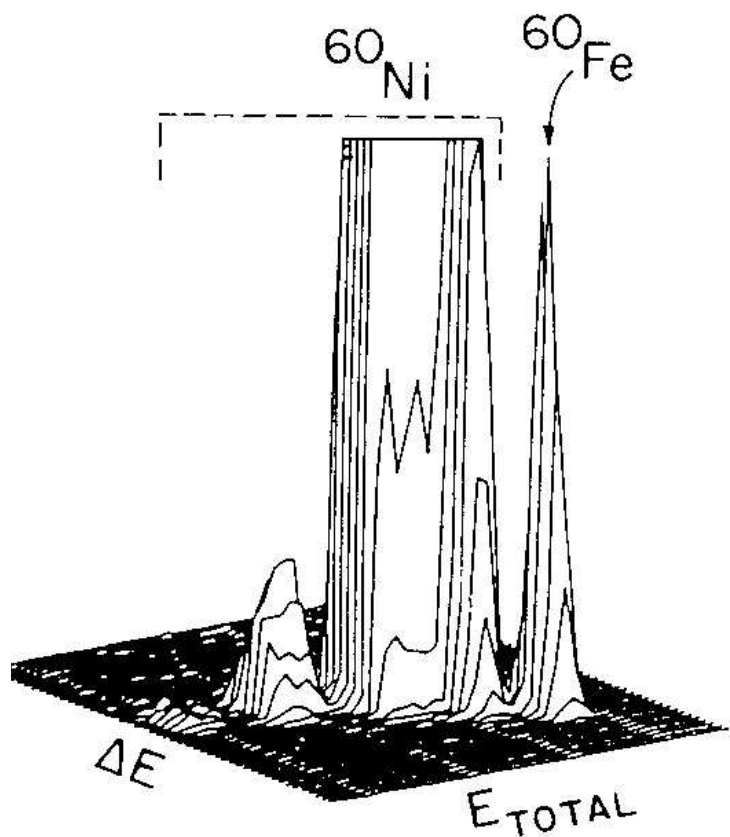
Technique:

Accelerator Mass Spectrometry (AMS)

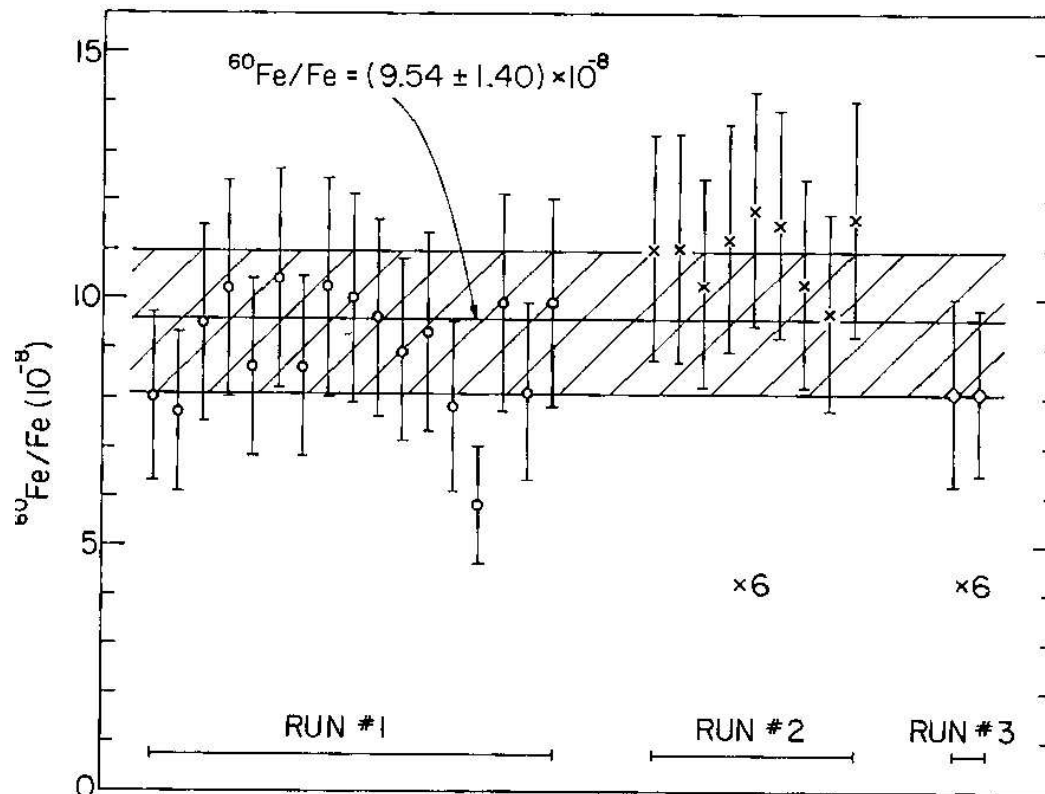
'finding the needle in the hay stack'

$N(\text{radio-isotope})/N(\text{stable}) \sim 10^{-16}$





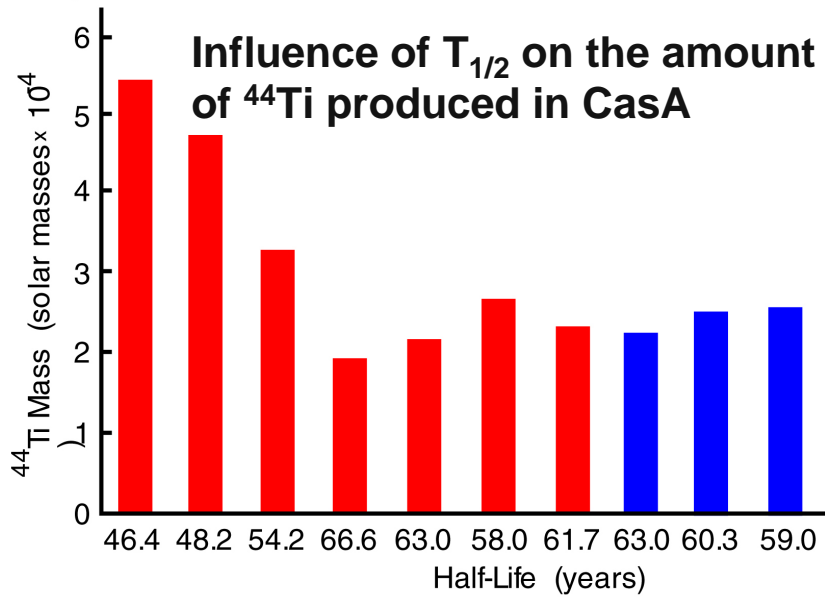
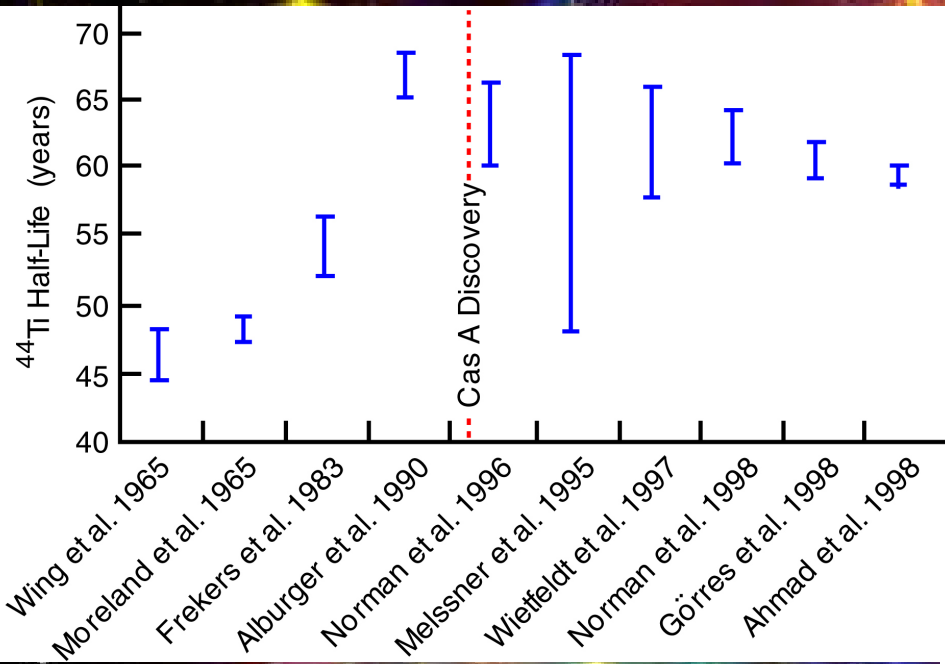
^{60}Fe and ^{60}Ni are detected in the ionization chamber of a magnetic spectrograph. $E(\text{Fe}) \sim 300$ MeV



Absolute measurement!
Check systematic errors.

$T_{1/2}(^{60}\text{Fe}) = 1.5 \pm 0.27$ Ma (was 0.3 Ma before)

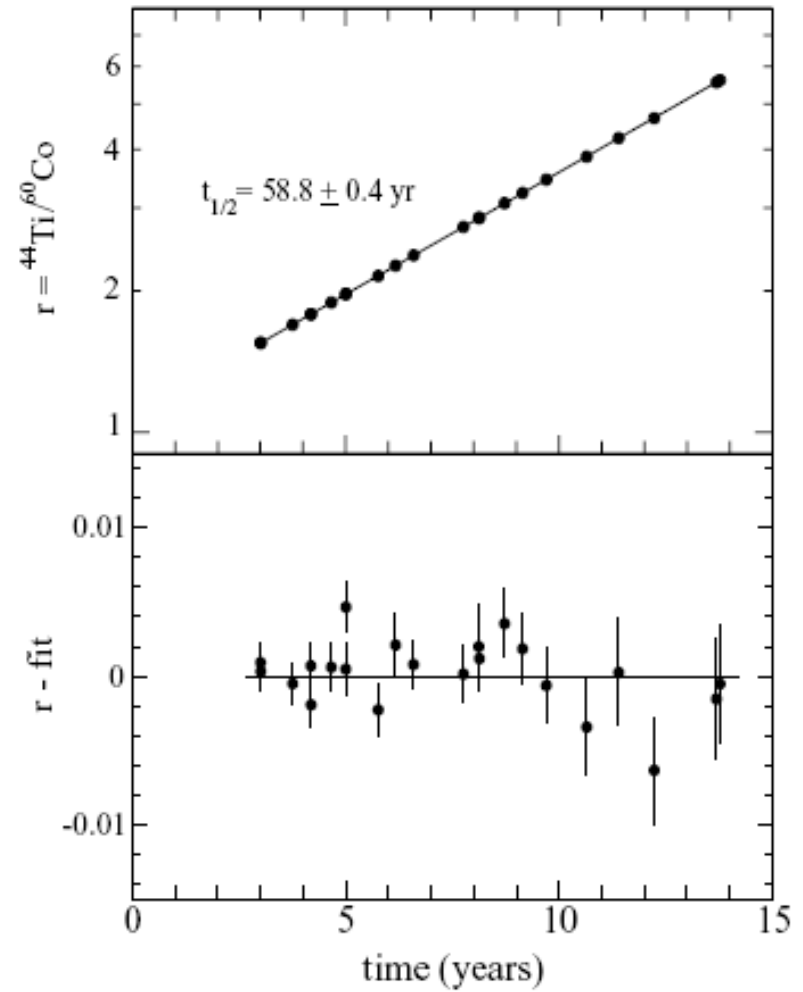
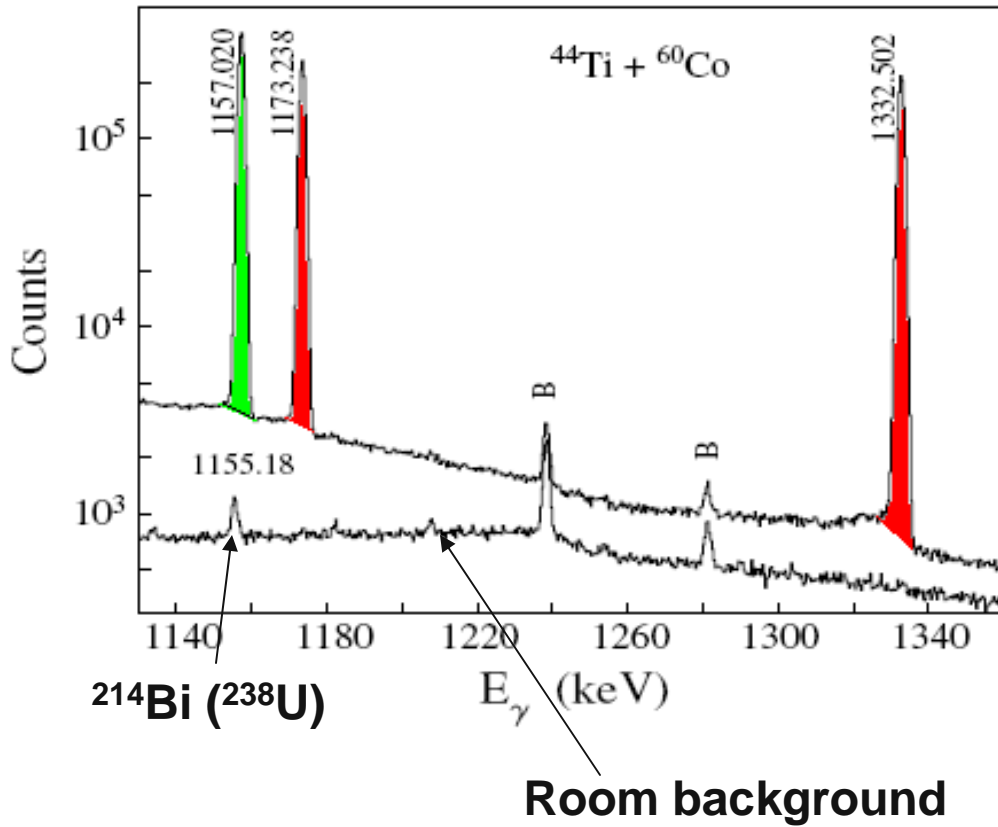
Measurement of intermediate half-lives: ^{44}Ti ($T_{1/2} \sim 60$ years)



$T_{1/2}(^{44}\text{Ti})$ measurements

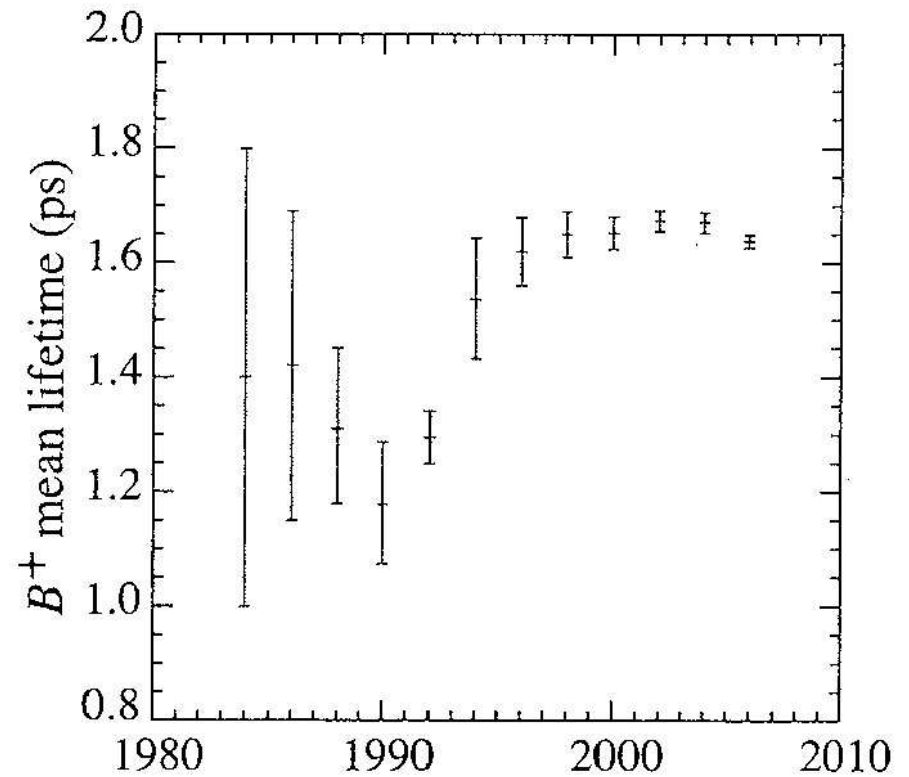
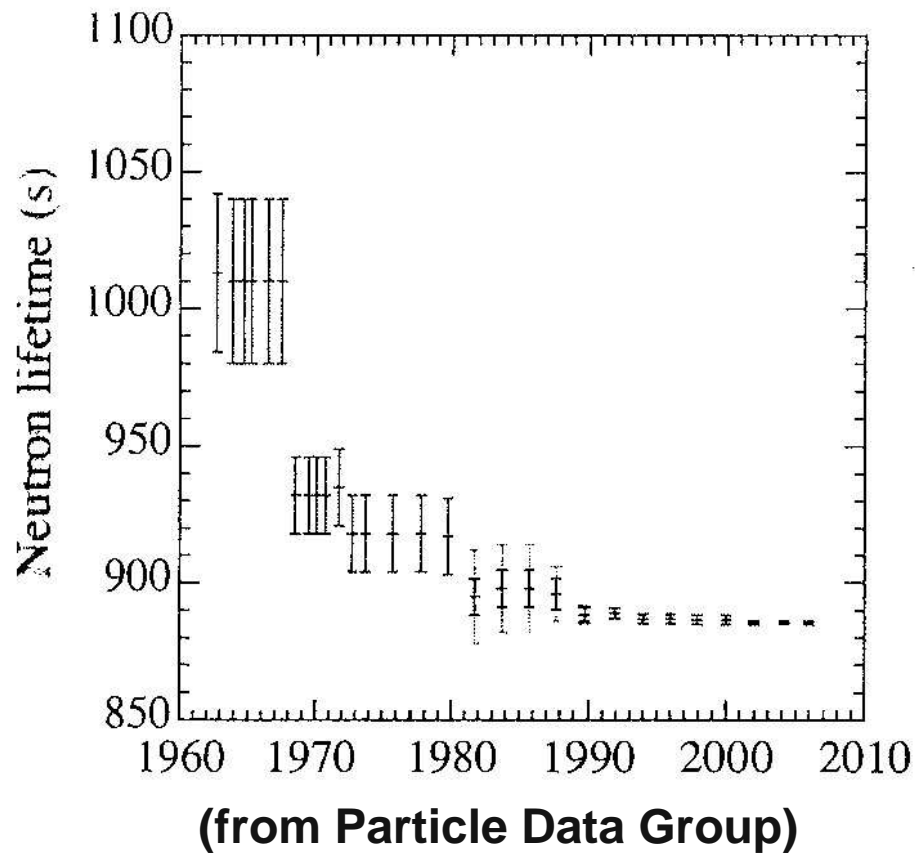
I. Ahmad et al. PRC74, 065803 (2006)

Relative measurement ^{44}Ti - ^{60}Co



$T_{1/2}(^{44}\text{Ti}) = 58.8 \pm 0.4$ y

Caveat: beware of the systematic errors!



The difference between half-life and mean life:

Half-Life of ^{10}Be : A Correction*

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(Received 29 August 1972)

A mistake in computing the result of an earlier determination of the half-life of ^{10}Be is pointed out. The corrected value is $(1.7 \pm 0.4) \times 10^6$ yr.

Yiou and Raisbeck¹ have published a redetermination of the half-life of ^{10}Be , which differs from the previous measurements of Hughes, Egger, and Huddleston² and McMillan.³ This discrepancy motivated me to check my original work sheets, and I discovered no mistakes except in the last step of the calculations, the conversion of the decay constant to the half-life, where I neglected to include the factor $\ln 2$. Since both the decay constant and the half-life are given in the published paper, any reader can see where the mistake was made. I would therefore like to revise my 1947

result from $(2.5 \pm 0.5) \times 10^6$ yr to $(1.7 \pm 0.4) \times 10^6$

The result of Yiou and Raisbeck for the half-life is $(1.5 \pm 0.3) \times 10^6$ yr, in agreement with my revised value. The Hughes, Egger, and Huddleston result of 2.9×10^6 yr (no error given) has been revised to 1.6×10^6 yr by Emery, Reynolds, and Wyatt,⁴ using the ratios of new and old values for the relevant cross sections. These authors also give a new experimental determination, $(1.6 \pm 0.1) \times 10^6$ yr. Thus there now seems to be general agreement that the half-life of ^{10}Be is close to 1.6×10^6 yr.

*Work performed under the auspices of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission.

¹F. Yiou and G. M. Raisbeck, *Phys. Rev. Letters* **29**, 272 (1972).

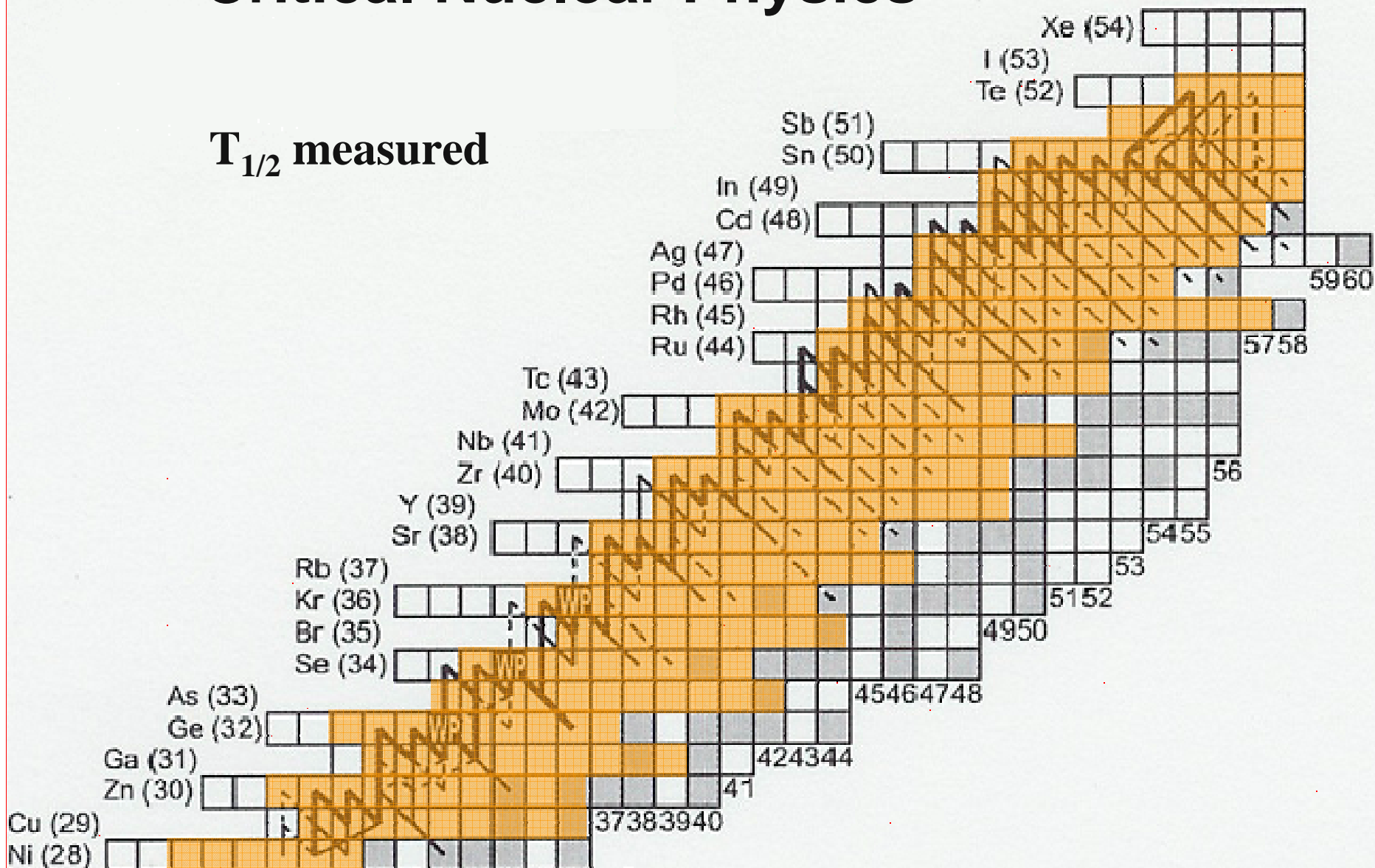
Rev. **71**, 269 (1947).

³E. M. McMillan, *Phys. Rev.* **72**, 591 (1947).

⁴J. F. Emery, S. A. Reynolds, and E. I. Wyatt, *Nuc.*

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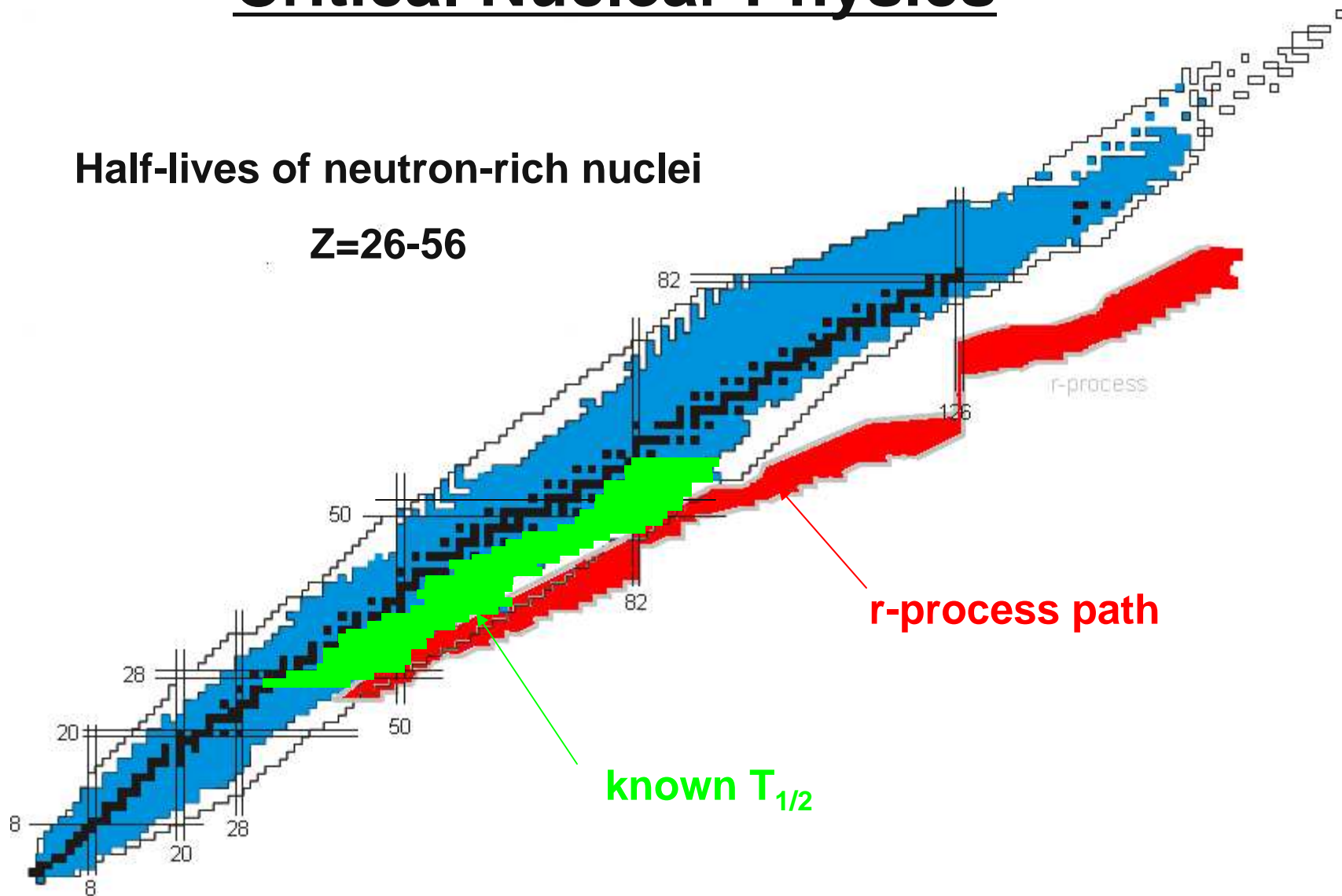
$T_{1/2}$ measured



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Half-lives of neutron-rich nuclei

Z=26-56

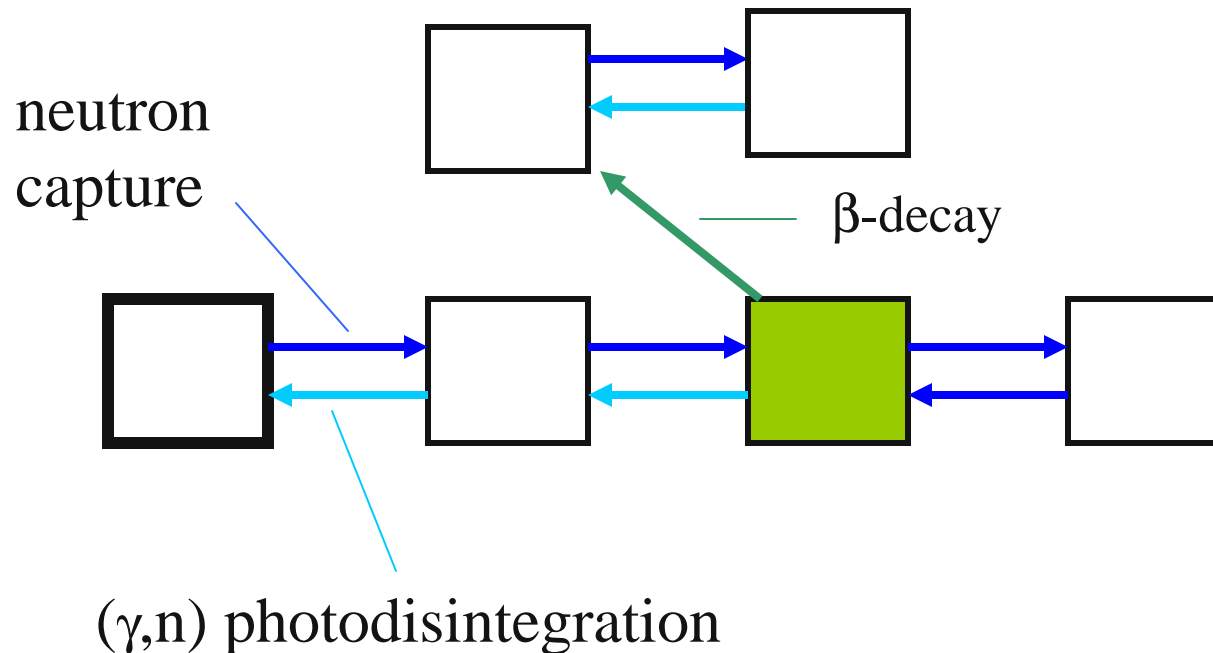


Mass Measurements



Why do we need masses?

- Needed to determine the driplines
- Needed to determine the half-lives
- Needed to determine the path of the r-process



$$\frac{Y(Z, A+1)}{Y(Z, A)} = n_n \frac{G(Z, A+1)}{2G(Z, A)} \left[\frac{A+1}{A} \frac{2\pi\hbar^2}{m_u kT} \right]^{3/2} \exp(S_n / kT)$$

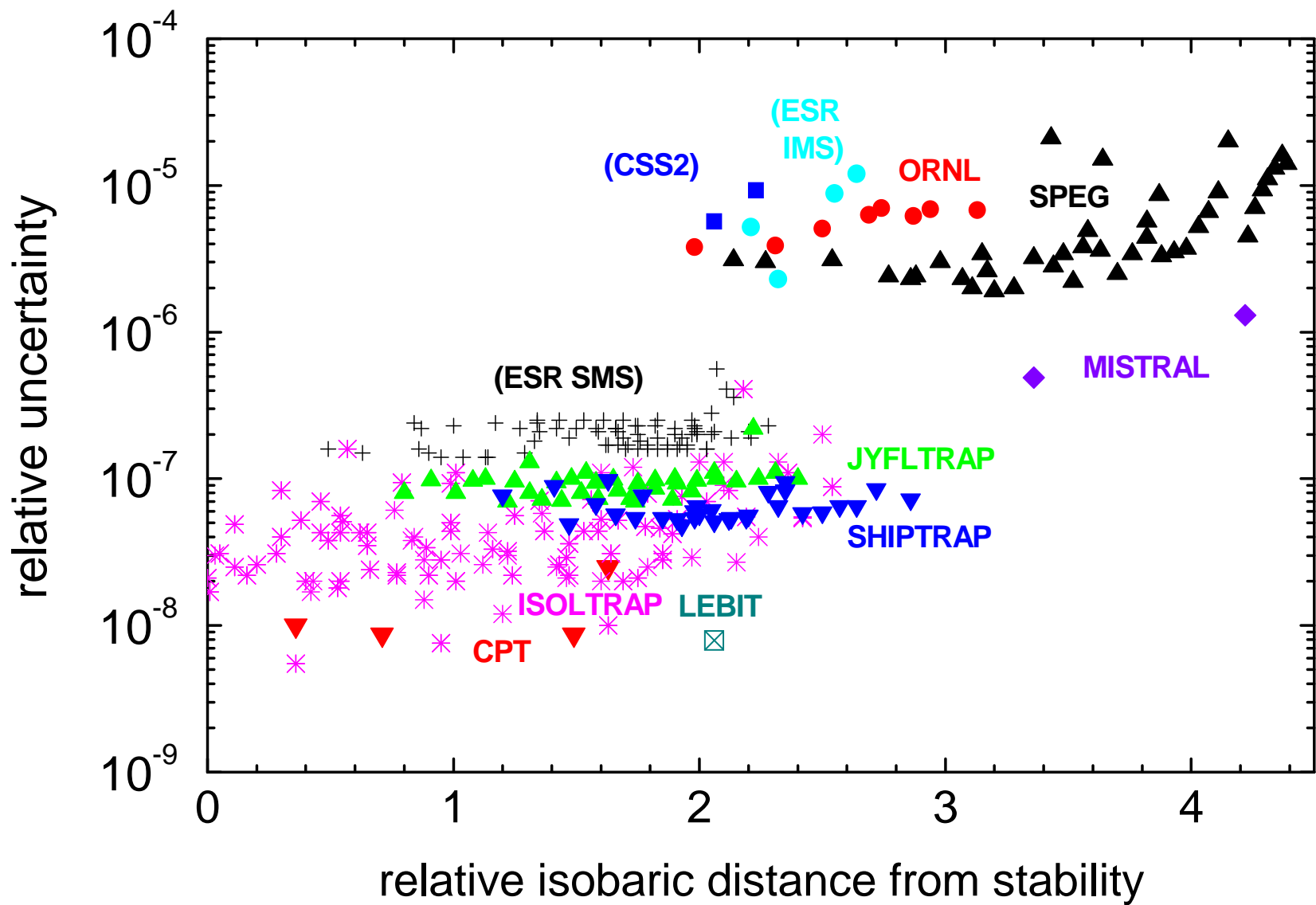
Saha equation

Techniques for mass measurements

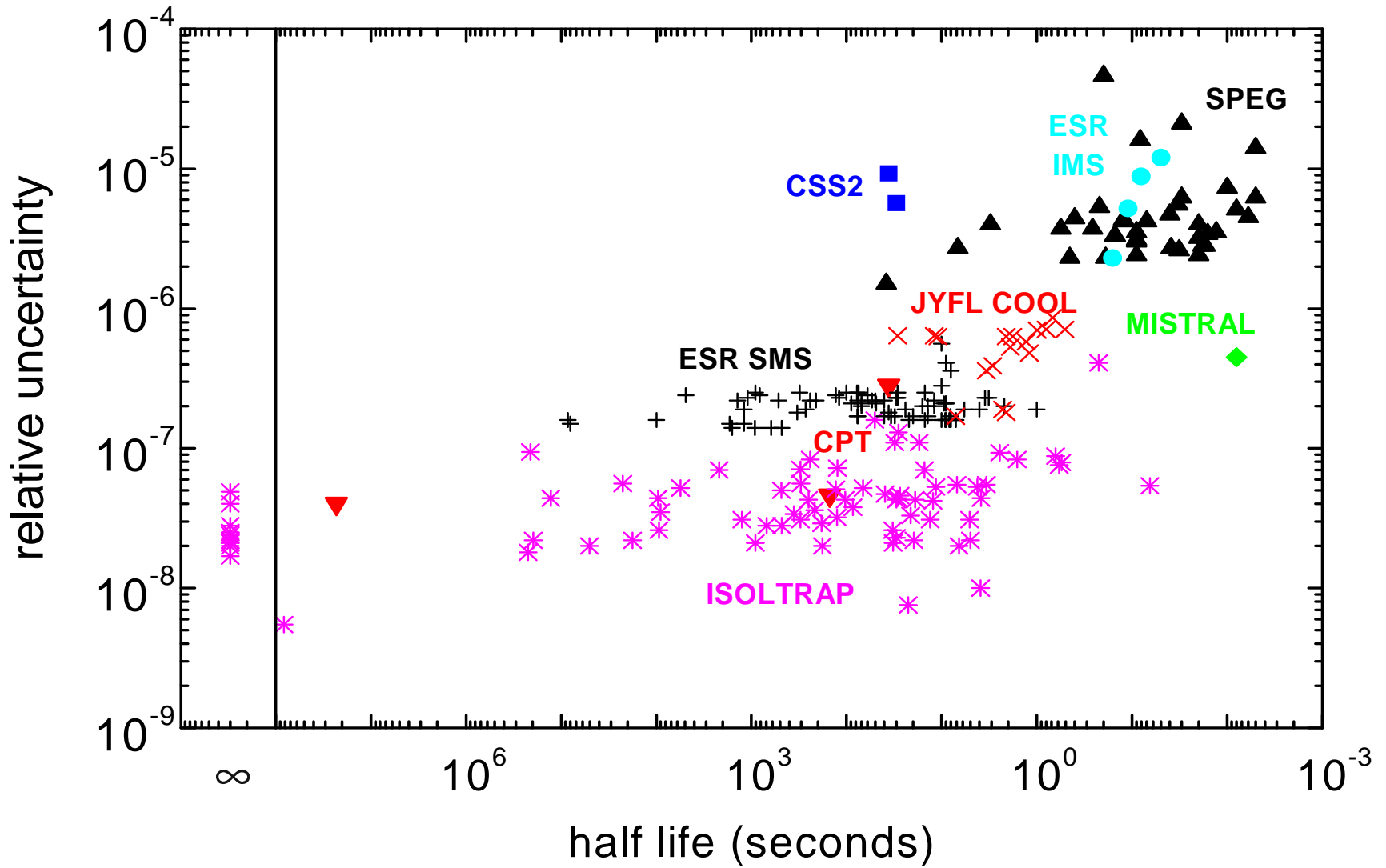
- Reaction Q-values: $A(a,b)B$
- TOF + energy measurements: $E=m*s^2/t^2$
- Cyclotron resonance: $T_{cycl} * eB/2\pi = m/q$
- Storage rings

For details see

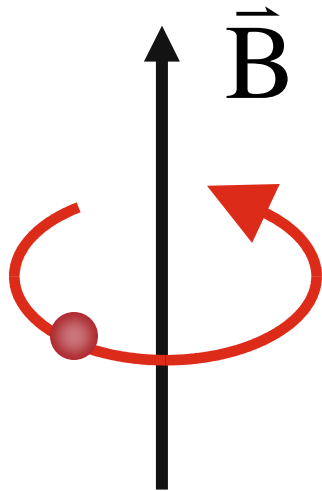
D. Lunney et al. RMP75, 1021(2003)



D. Lunney, Proc. Nuclei in the Cosmos IX, (2006)



How a Penning trap works -1

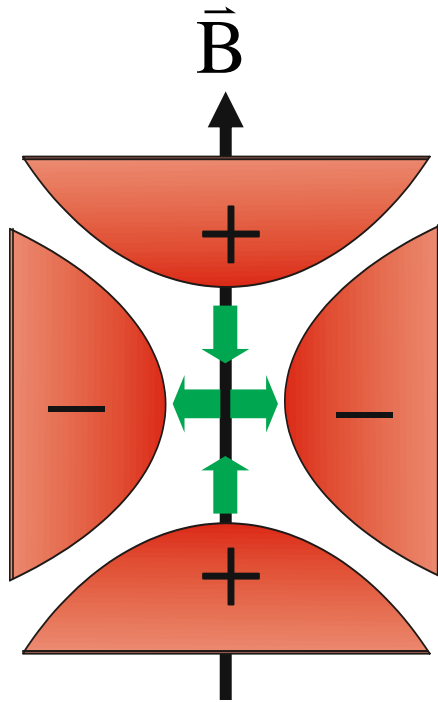


- **constant axial magnetic field**
- **particle orbits in horizontal plane**

$$\omega_c = \frac{qB}{m}$$

- **free to escape axially**

How a Penning trap works-2



Add an axial harmonic potential to confine particles:

$$V = \frac{V_0}{2d^2} \left(z^2 - \frac{r^2}{2} \right)$$

Motion of ions in a Penning trap

Solve for equations of motion:

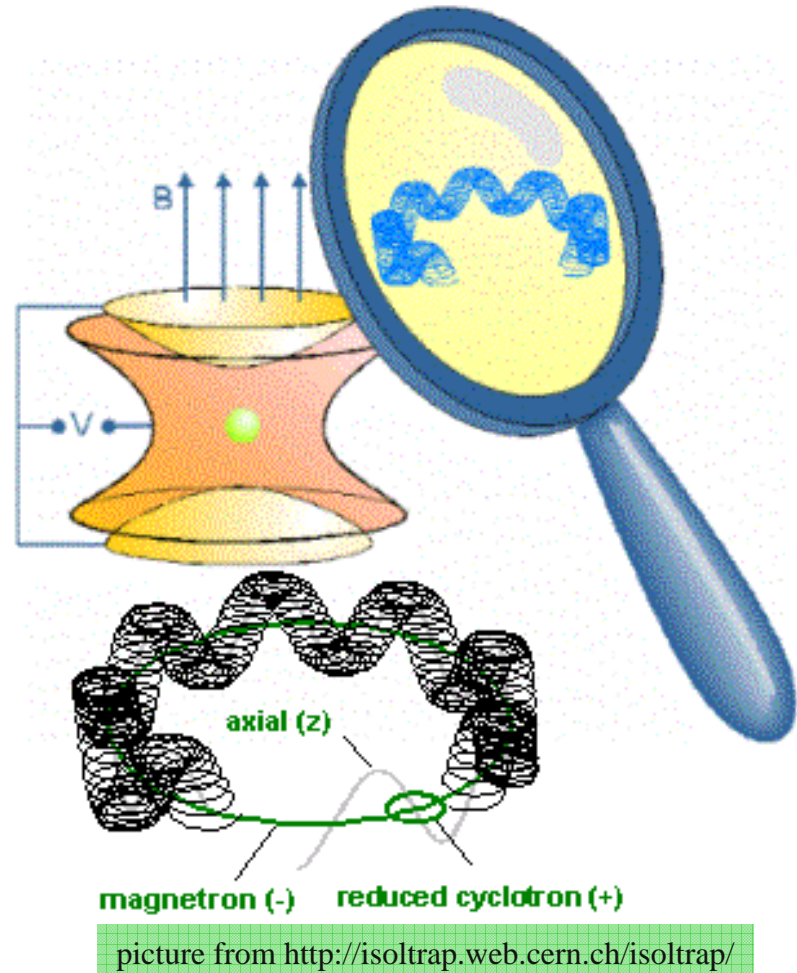
$$\vec{F} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

Axial oscillations:

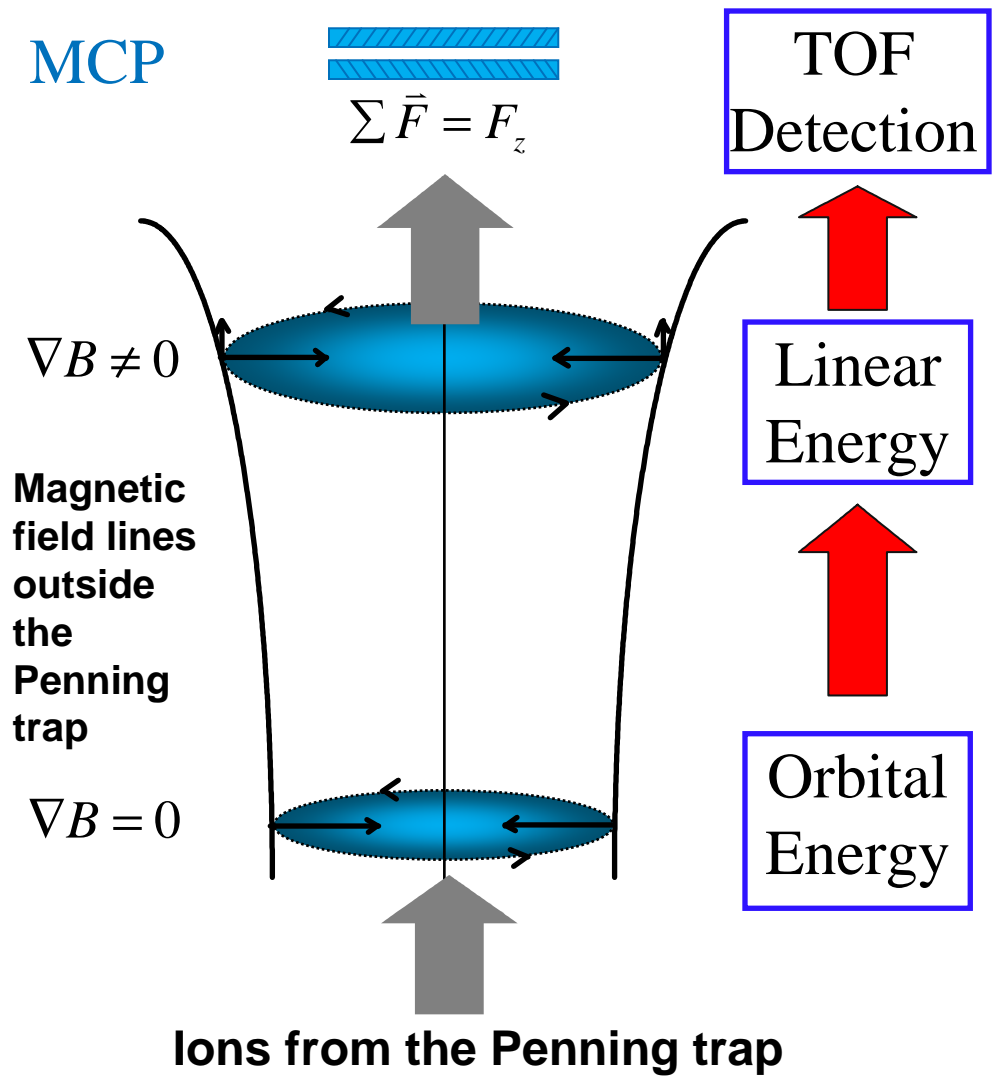
$$\omega_z = \sqrt{\frac{eV}{md^2}}$$

Radial motion:

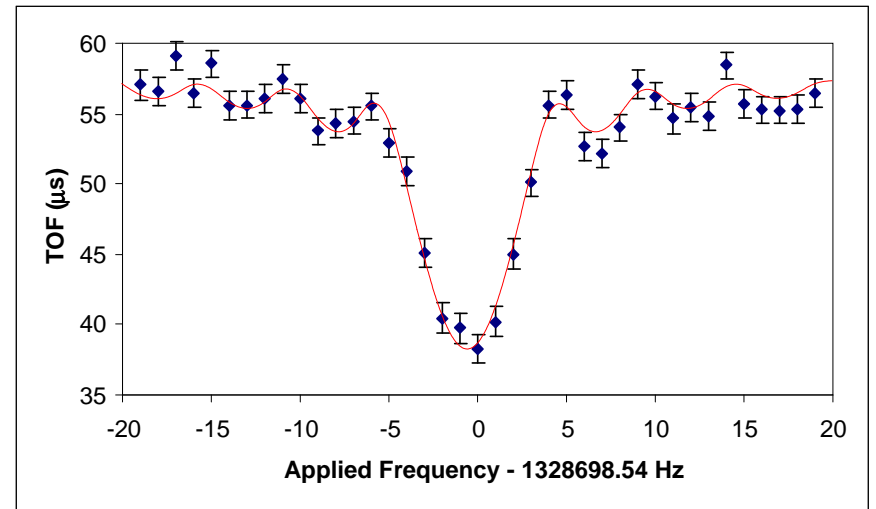
$$\omega_{\pm} = \frac{\omega_c}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{\omega_c^2}{4} - \frac{\omega_z^2}{2}}$$



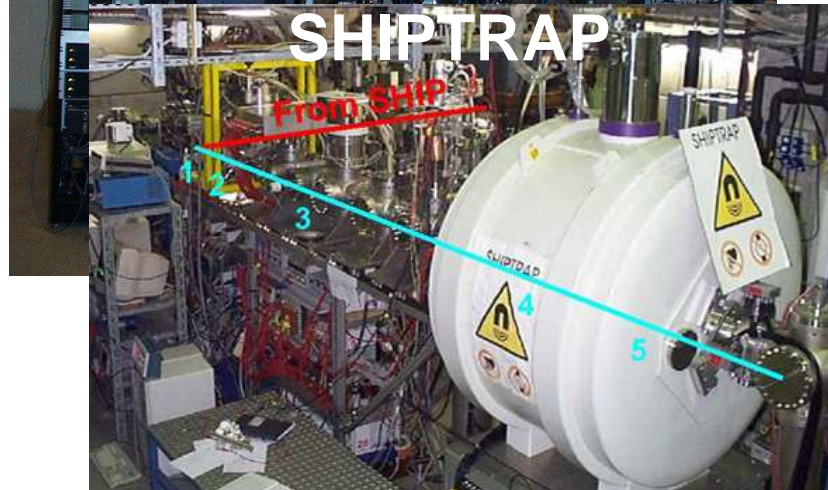
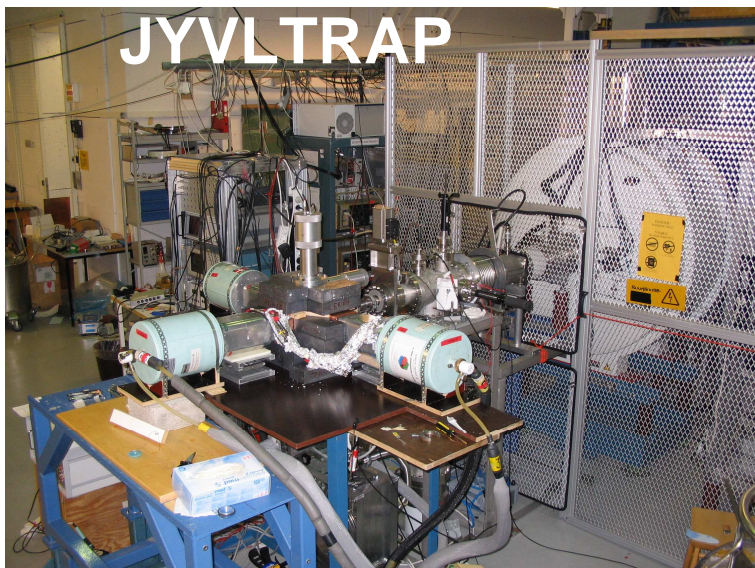
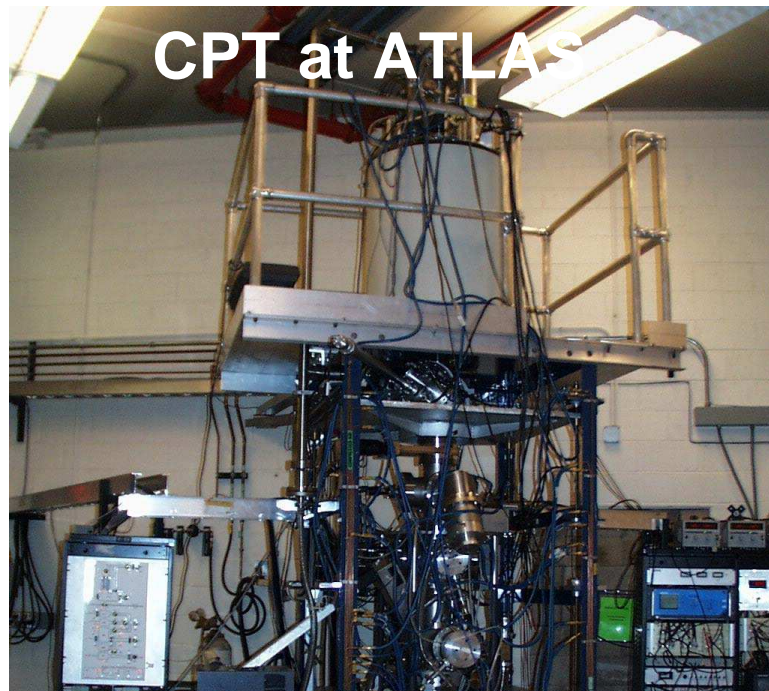
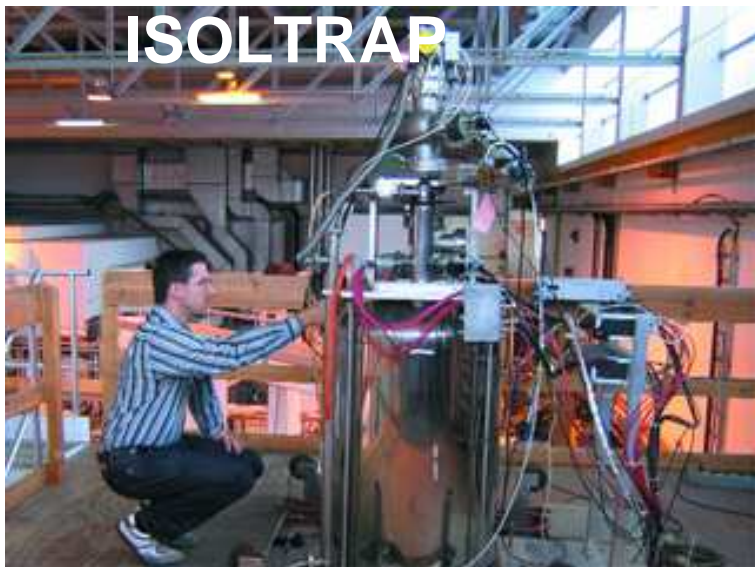
Penning trap mass spectrometry

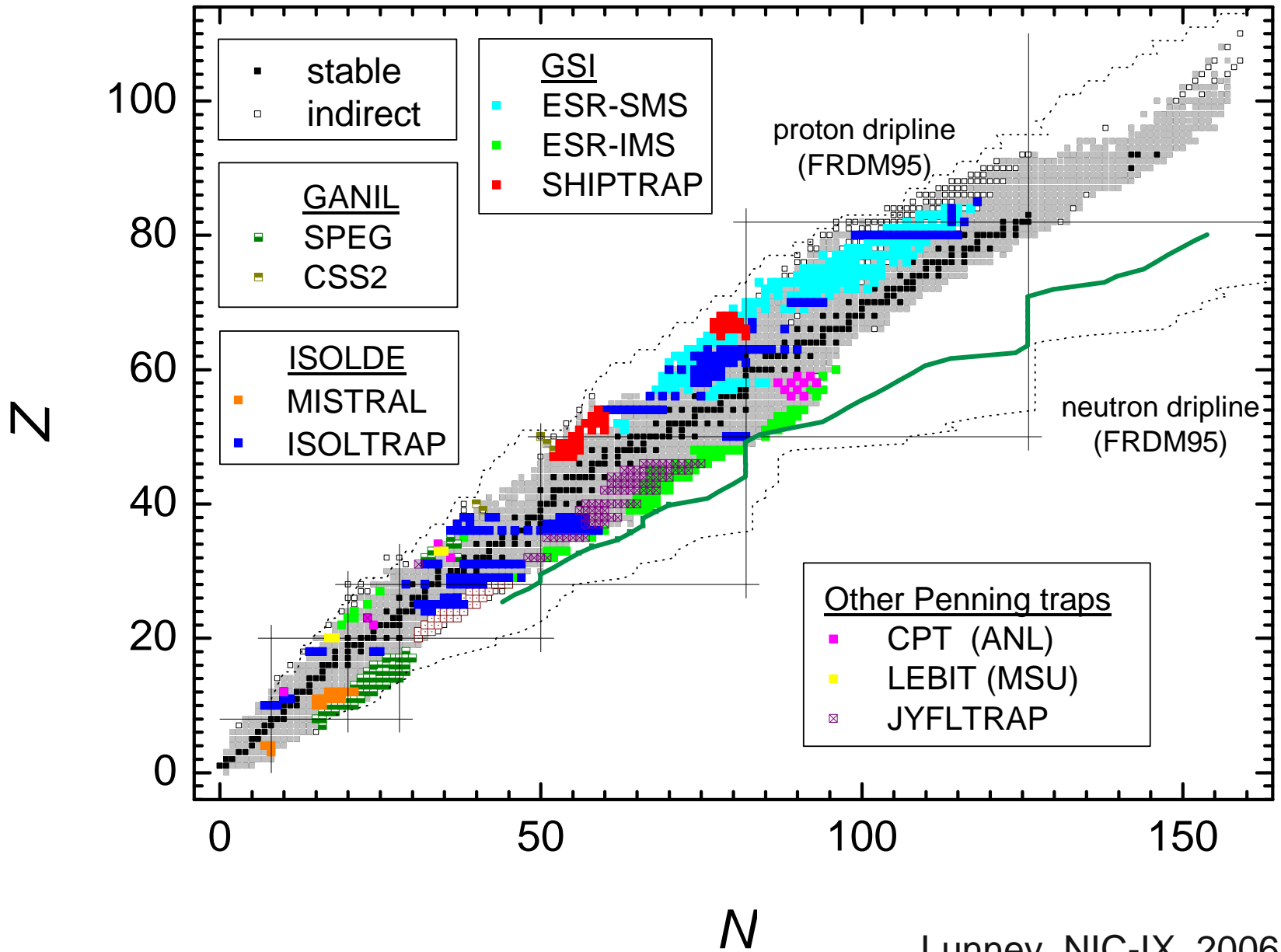


Sample TOF spectrum



Penning traps





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First Precision Mass Measurements of Refractory Fission Fragments

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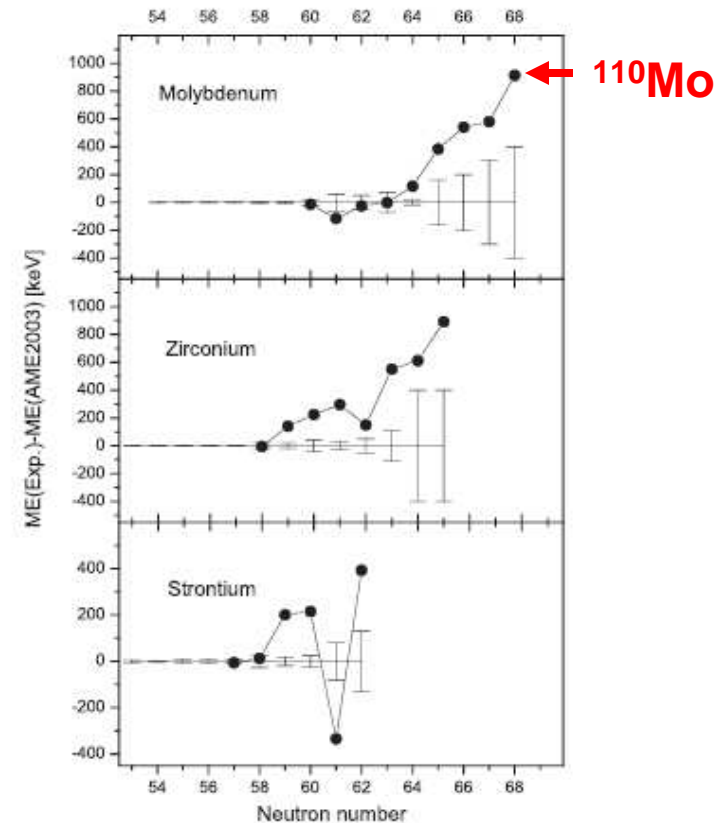
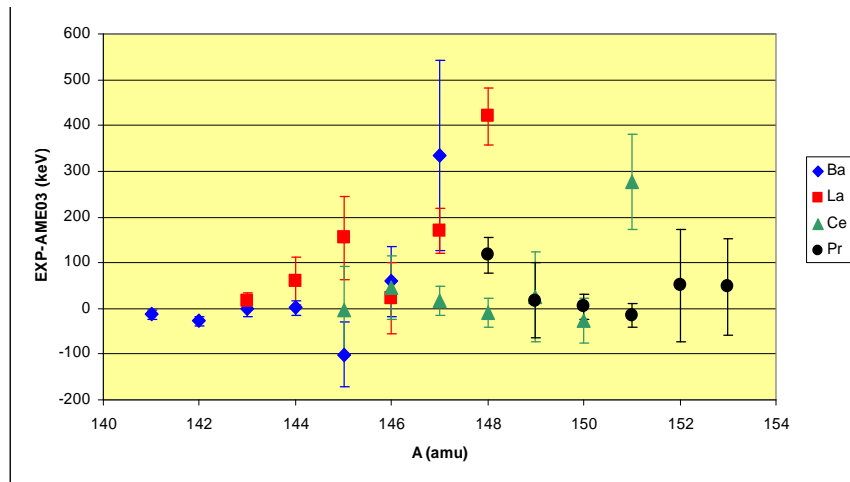
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Studies of neutron-rich isotopes with the CPT mass spectrometer and the CARIBU project

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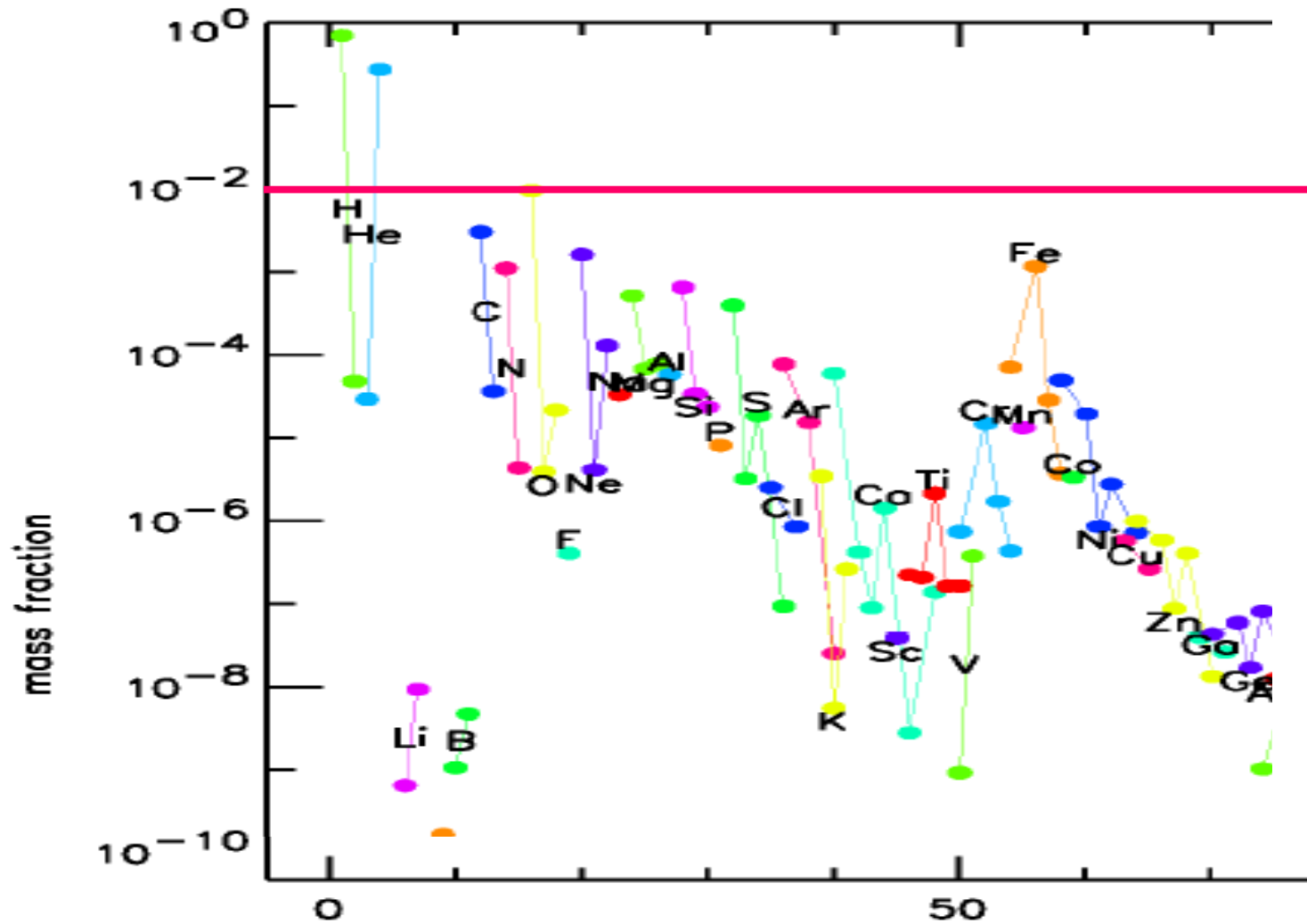


n-rich nuclei are less bound than expected by mass formulae
→ neutron drip line moves closer to the valley of stability

Reactions in Nuclear Astrophysics

Si in CasA

Stellar abundance pattern



Most reactions induced by:

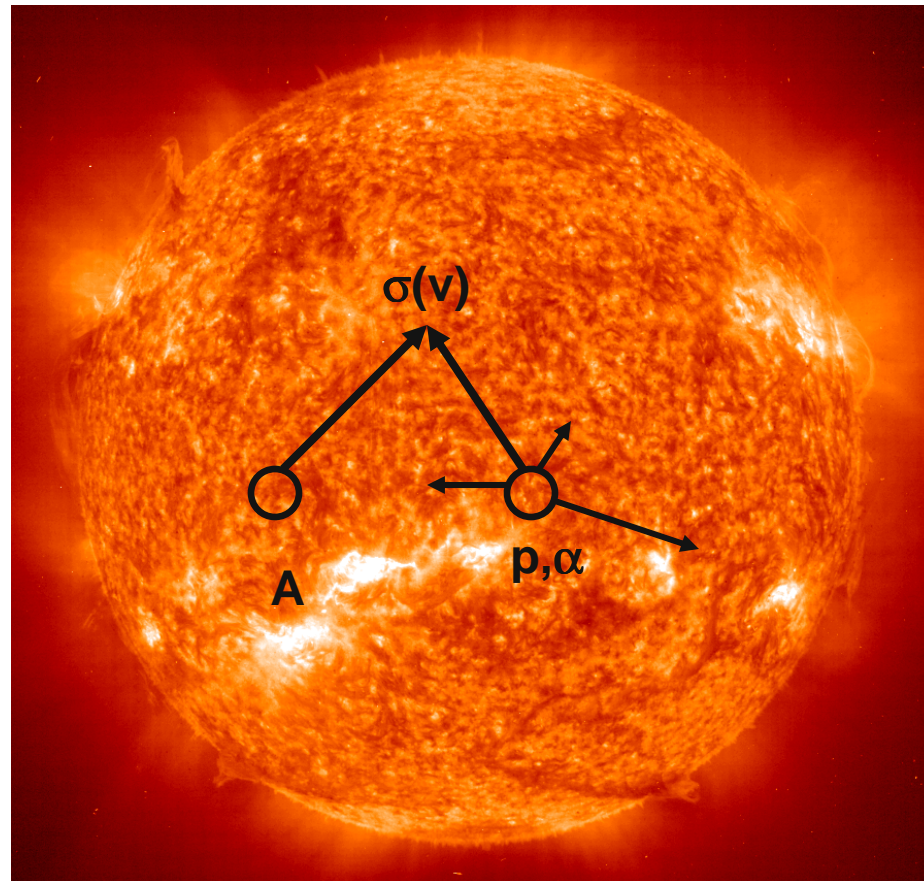
p, α

$(^{16}\text{O}, ^{12}\text{C}, n)$

Critical reactions in nuclear astrophysics

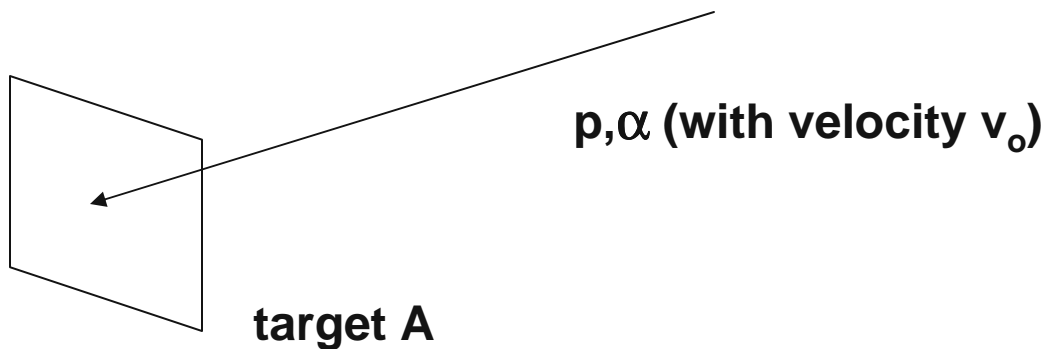
- (p, γ) (novae, rp-process)
- (α, γ) (red giants)
- (α, p) (rp-process)
- $^{12}\text{C} + ^{12}\text{C}$ fusion (supernovae)
- (n, γ) (r-process, s-process), [session 9,10]
- GT transitions (supernovae), [session 5]
- (α, n) (s-process, red giants), [session 10]
- (p, α) (novae), [session 14]
- $(\gamma, p), (\gamma, n), (\gamma, \alpha)$ (p-process), [session 11]

In Nature:



v : Maxwellian distribution

In the laboratory:



Reactions between Charged Particles

(Astrophysical Reaction Rate)

Example: $^{12}\text{C}(p,\gamma)^{13}\text{N}$

N_c : ^{12}C particles/cm³

N_p : protons/cm³

v_o : relative velocity between C and p

Rate: $r = N_c \cdot N_p \cdot v_o \cdot \sigma_{p\gamma}(v_o) \text{ \{cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}\}$

Plasma: velocity distribution $\phi(v)$

$$v\sigma \rightarrow \langle v\sigma \rangle = \int \phi(v) \cdot v \cdot \sigma(v) dv$$

($\langle v\sigma \rangle$ reaction rate per particle pair)

Particle densities N_i :

$$\rho = N_i \mu \quad \mu = \text{weight of a particle}$$

$$\rho = N_i A / N_A \quad N_A: \text{Avogadro's Number}$$

$$N_i = \rho N_A / A$$

Or, for a multi-particle gas with X_i as a mass fraction:

$$N_i = \rho N_A / A X_i$$

In normal stellar matter (not in neutron stars)

$$\phi_i(v_i) = 4\pi v_i^2 \left(\frac{m}{2\pi kT} \right)^{3/2} \exp\left(-\frac{mv^2}{2kT}\right) \text{ (Maxwellian)}$$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = \iint \phi(v_1) \phi(v_2) \sigma(v_{\text{rel}}) v_{\text{rel}} dv_1 dv_2$$

$$v_1 = V + \frac{m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)} v \quad V : \text{center-of-mass velocity}$$

$$v_2 = V - \frac{m_1}{(m_1 + m_2)} v \quad v : \text{relative velocity } (v_1 - v_2)$$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = \iint \Phi(V) \phi(v) v \sigma(v) dv dV$$

Where:

$$\Phi(V) = 4\pi V^2 \left(\frac{M}{2\pi kT} \right)^{3/2} \exp(-MV^2/(2kT))$$

$$M = m_1 + m_2$$

$$\phi(v) = 4\pi v^2 \left(\frac{\mu}{2\pi kT} \right)^{3/2} \exp(-\mu v^2/(2kT))$$

$$\mu = m_1 m_2 / (m_1 + m_2)$$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = \int \phi(v) v \sigma(v) dv$$

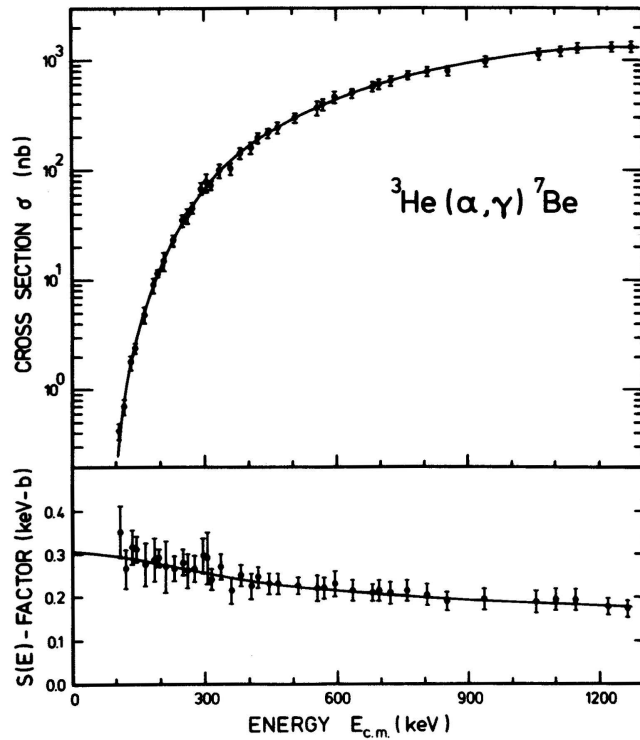
$$\text{Because } \int \Phi(V) dV = 1$$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = 4\pi \left(\frac{\mu}{2\pi kT} \right)^{3/2} \int v^3 \sigma(v) \exp\left(-\frac{\mu v^2}{2kT}\right) dv$$

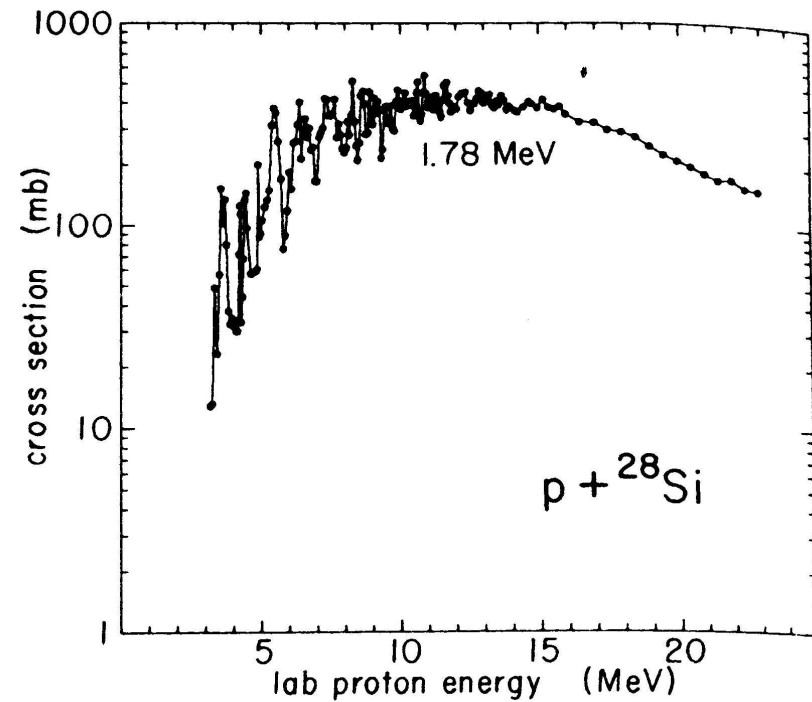
or

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = \left(\frac{8}{\pi \mu} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{1}{kT} \right)^{3/2} \int \sigma(E) E \exp\left(-\frac{E}{kT}\right) dE$$

Need $\sigma(E)$:



Non-resonant cross sections



resonant cross sections

To eliminate the strong energy dependence, one takes out the trivial factors : $e^{-2\pi\eta}/E$ and defines a new parameter S (**S-Factor**) which contains the ‘non-trivial’ energy dependence:

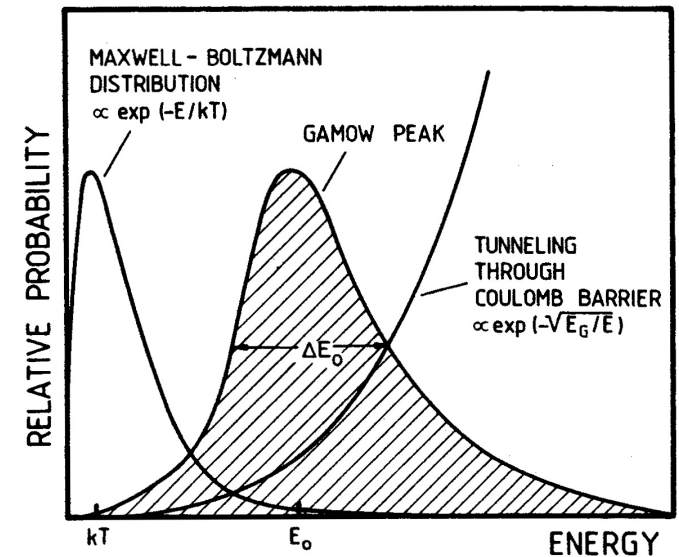
$$\sigma = S(E)/E e^{(-2\pi\eta)}$$

$$S(E) = \sigma E e^{(2\pi\eta)}$$

With $S(E)$ one can rewrite $\langle\sigma v\rangle$:

$$\langle\sigma v\rangle = \left(\frac{8}{\pi\mu}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{1}{kT}\right)^{3/2} \int S(E) \exp(-E/kT - b/E^{1/2}) dE$$

argument of the exponent:



Maximum of the argument at E_0 :

$$E_0 = (bkT/2)^{2/3} \text{ with } b = (2\mu)^{1/2} \pi e^2 Z_1 Z_2 / \hbar$$

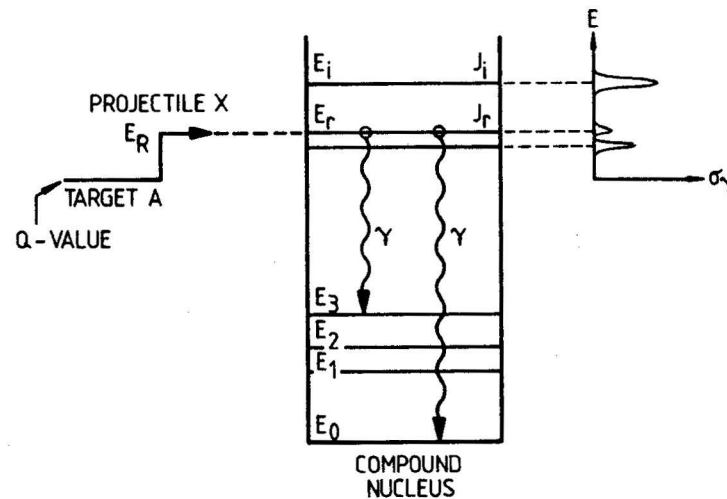
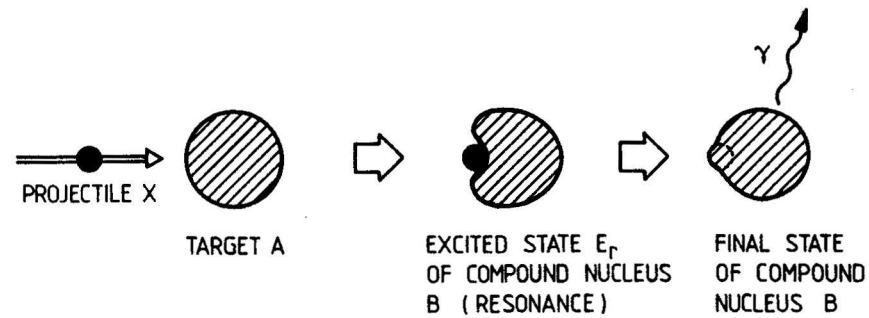
or

$$E_0 = 1.22 (Z_1^2 Z_2^2 \mu T_6^2)^{1/3} \text{ [keV]}$$

Gamow peak

T_6 : temperature in 10^6 K

Resonance Reactions



$\sigma_{\text{resonance}}$: Breit-Wigner shape

$$\sigma_{i \rightarrow f} = \frac{\pi}{k^2} \frac{2J + 1}{(2J_1 + 1)(2J_2 + 1)} \frac{\Gamma_i \Gamma_f}{(E - E_r)^2 + (\Gamma/2)^2}$$

J: spin of the resonance

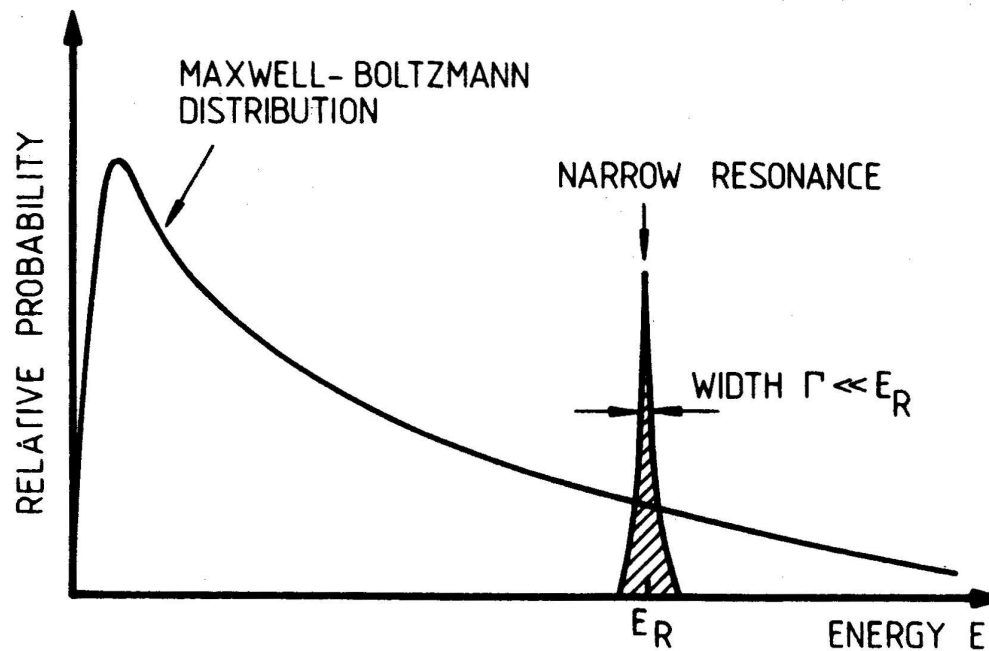
$J_{1,2}$: spin of the particles in the entrance channel

k: wave number

$\Gamma_{i,f}$: widths (decay probabilities) in the entrance or exit channel

E_r : resonance energy

Γ : total width ($\Gamma_i + \Gamma_f + \dots$)



$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = \left(\frac{8}{\pi \mu} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{1}{kT} \right)^{3/2} \int \sigma_{\text{BW}} E \exp(-E/kT) dE$$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = \left(\frac{8}{\pi \mu} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{1}{kT} \right)^{3/2} E_r \exp(-E_r/kT) \int \sigma_{\text{BW}}(E) dE$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int \sigma_{\text{BW}}(E) \, dE &= \frac{\pi}{k^2} \omega \Gamma_i \Gamma_f \pi / (\Gamma/2) \\
&= 2\pi^2 / k^2 \frac{\omega \Gamma_i \Gamma_f}{\Gamma} = \\
&= 2\pi^2 / k^2 \omega \gamma
\end{aligned}$$

$\omega\gamma$: resonance strength

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = \left(\frac{2\pi}{\mu kT} \right)^{3/2} \hbar^2 \omega \gamma \exp(-E_r/kT)$$

For several non-overlapping resonances:

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle = \left(\frac{2\pi}{\mu kT} \right)^{3/2} \hbar^2 \sum \omega \gamma_i \exp(-E_i/kT)$$

High rates for:

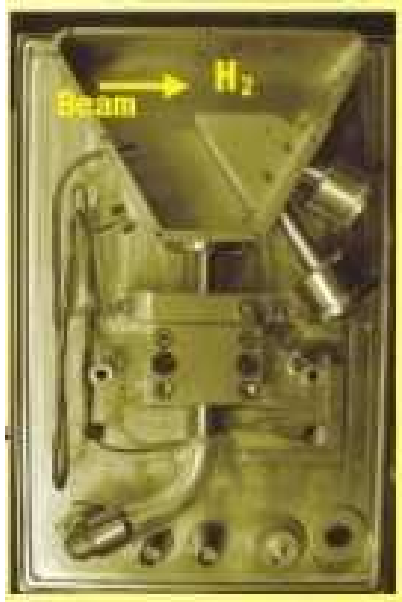
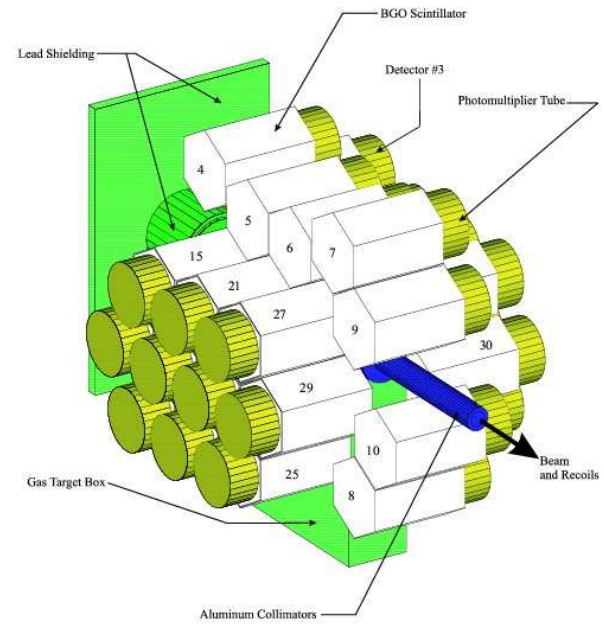
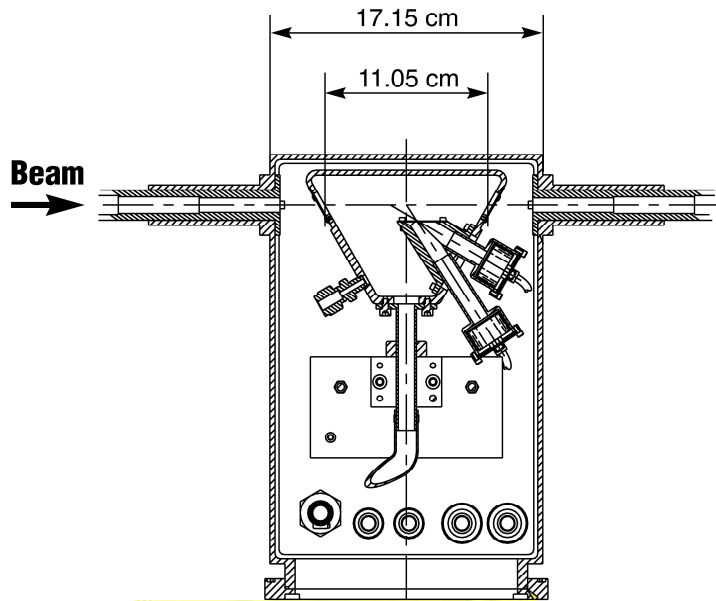
1. Large $\omega \gamma$
2. low resonance energies E_i

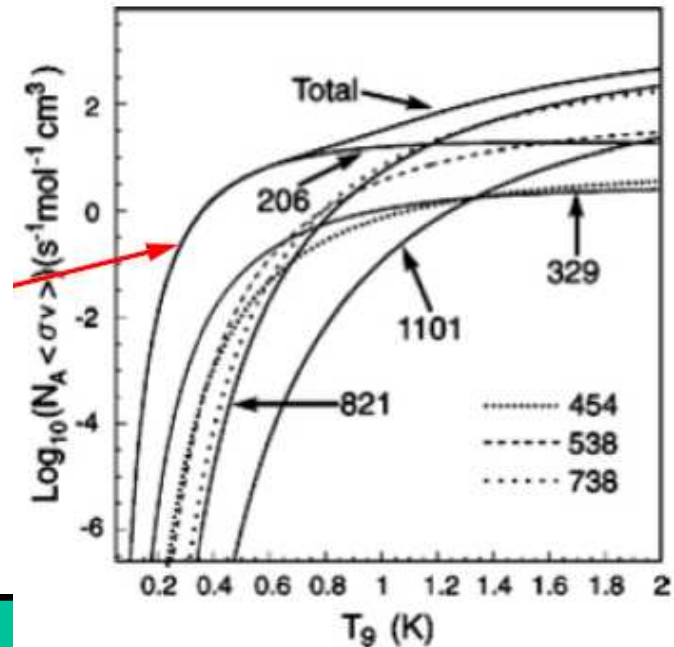
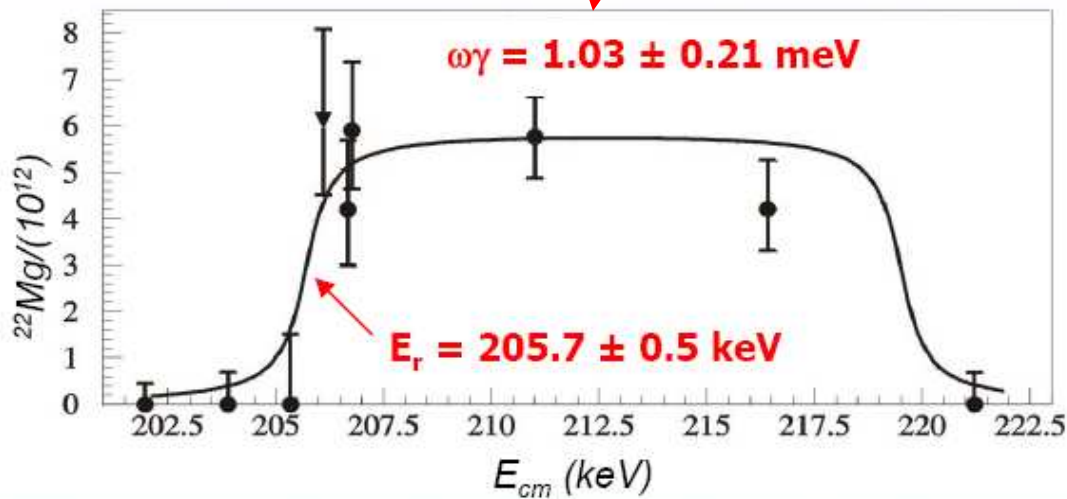
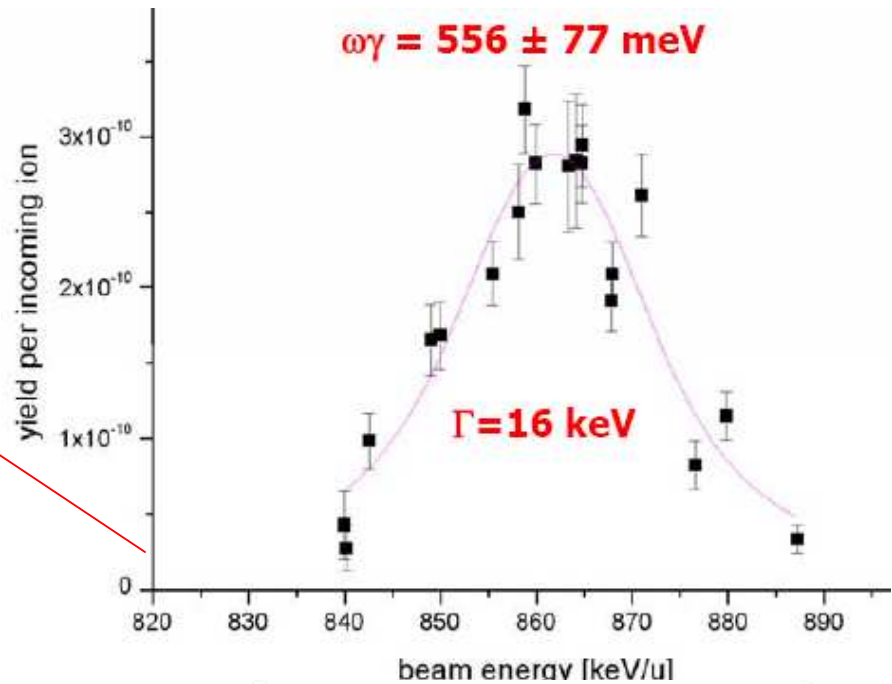
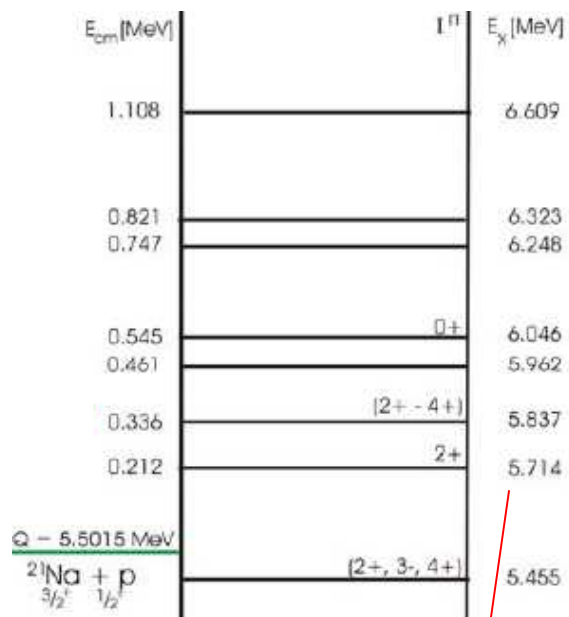
(p, γ) reactions

- Center of activities with radioactive beams
- Mainly resonant
- Example $^{21}\text{Na}(p,\gamma)^{22}\text{Mg}$ (TRIUMF)

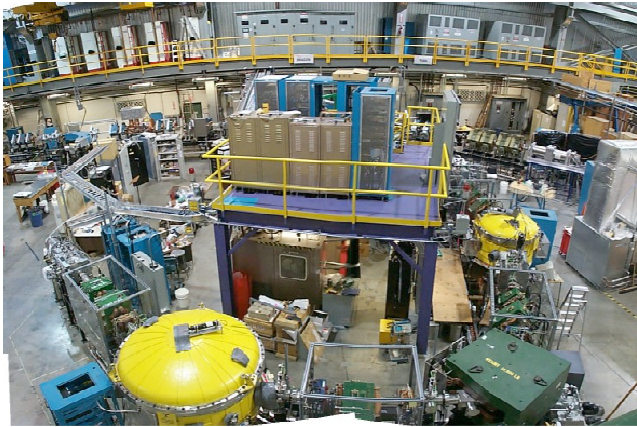
S. Bishop et al. PRL90, 162501(2003)

J. d'Auria et al. PRC69, 065803(2004)

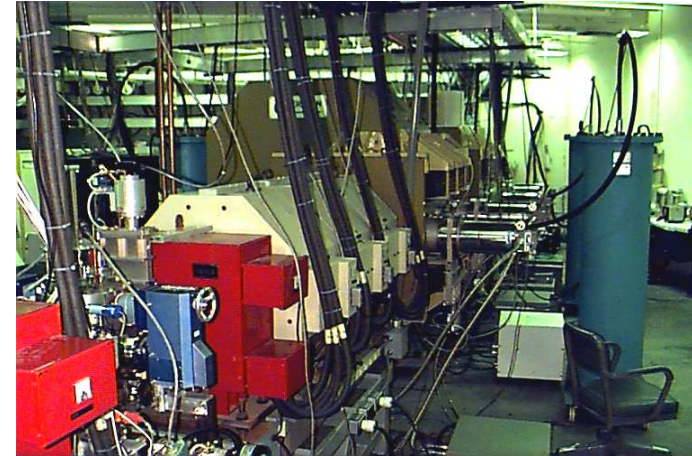




Other Recoil Separators for Astrophysics



DRAGON at TRIUMF ISAC
Used to measure $^{21}\text{Na}(p,\gamma)^{22}\text{Mg}$



DRS at ORNL HRIBF
Used to measure $^{18}\text{F}(d,p)^{19}\text{F}$



ARES at Louvain-la-Neuve
Used to measure $^{19}\text{Ne}(p,\gamma)^{20}\text{Na}$



FMA at ANL ATLAS
Used to measure $^{18}\text{F}(p,\gamma)^{19}\text{Ne}$

- (p,γ) reaction with stable nuclei: many examples, cross sections typically ~μb

- with radioactive beams studied so far:

${}^7\text{Be}(p,\gamma)$, ${}^{13}\text{N}(p,\gamma)$, ${}^{17}\text{F}(p,\gamma)$, ${}^{21}\text{Na}(p,\gamma)$, ${}^{26}\text{Al}(p,\gamma)$

- need beam intensities $> 10^8$ /s, which is difficult for radioactive beams

→use indirect techniques

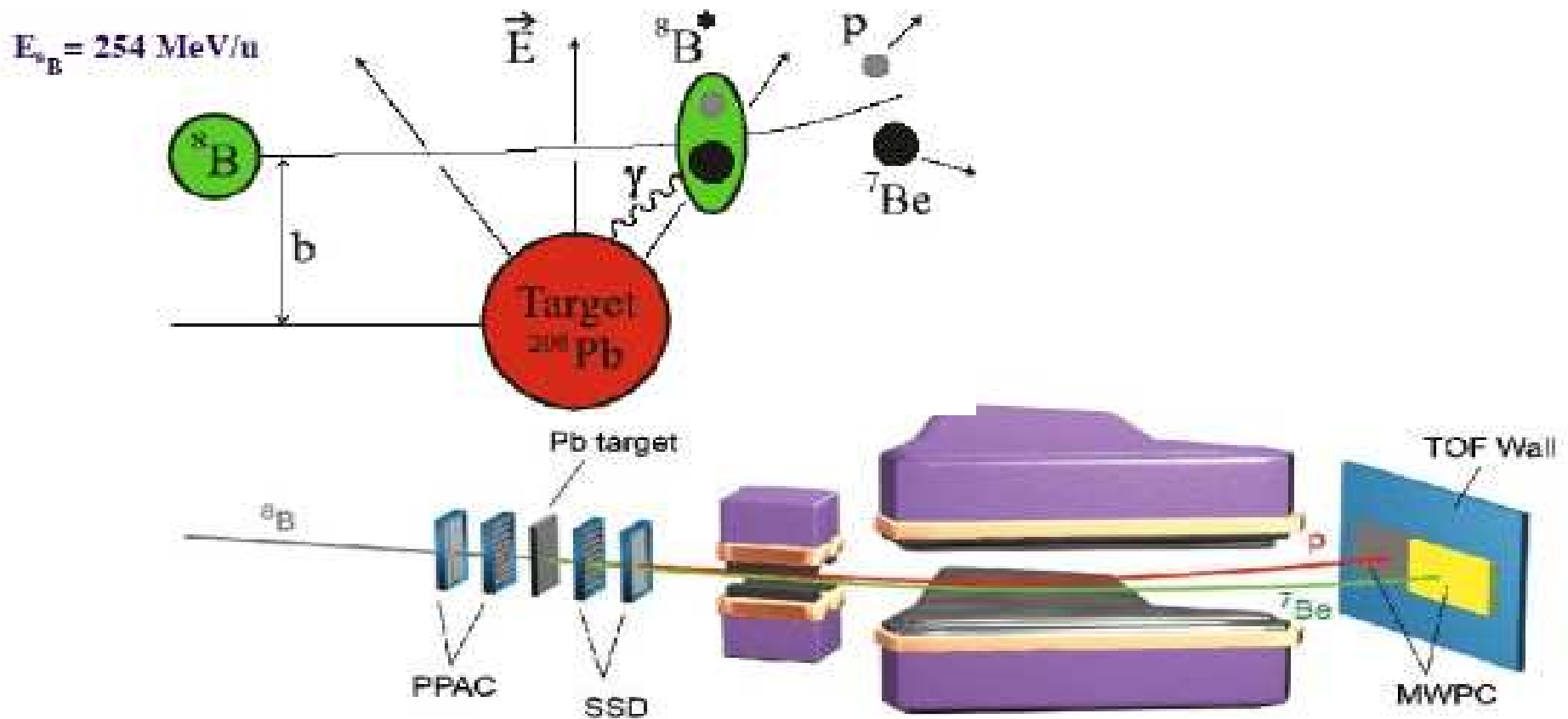
Indirect techniques for (p, γ) reactions:

$$\sigma_{p \rightarrow \gamma} = \frac{\pi}{k^2} \frac{2J + 1}{(2J_1 + 1)(2J_2 + 1)} \frac{\Gamma_p \Gamma_\gamma}{(E - E_r)^2 + (\Gamma/2)^2}$$

1. Determine E_r (e.g. via transfer reactions)
2. Determine J (e.g. via angular distributions)
3. Determine Γ_γ (e.g. via a γ lifetime measurement)
4. Determine Γ_p (e.g. via elastic scattering)

Other Indirect Techniques:

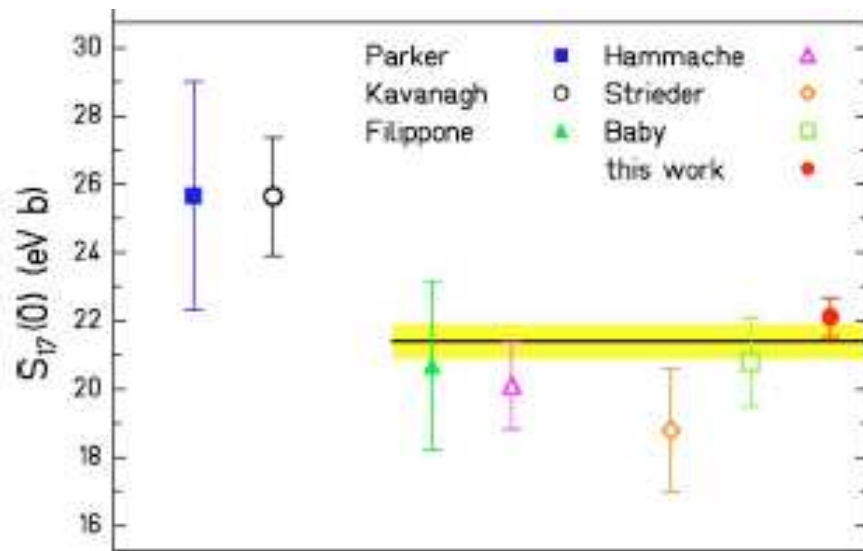
- Coulomb dissociation: $(^8\text{B}(\gamma,p)^7\text{Be})$ is the time-inverse reaction of $^7\text{Be}(p,\gamma)^8\text{B}$



${}^7\text{Be}(p,\gamma){}^8\text{B}$

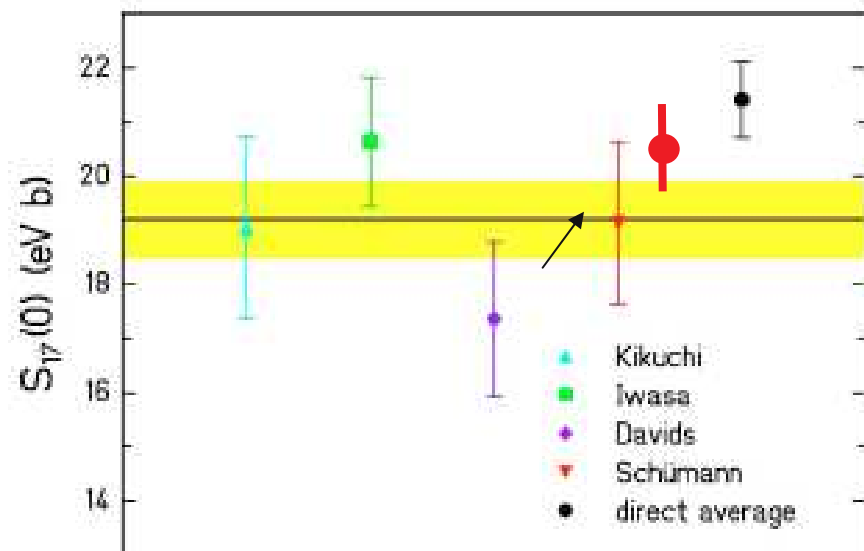
Direct measurement

$$S_{17}(0) = 22.1 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.6 \text{ eVb}$$



Indirect measurement

$$S_{17}(0) = 20.6 \pm 0.8 \pm 1.2 \text{ eVb}$$



Junghans et al. PRC68, 065803(2003)

Schümann et al. PRC73, 015806(2006)

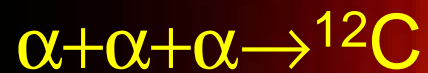
Other Indirect techniques:

1. **Transfer Reactions (Asymptotic Normalization Coefficients, ANC)** (A. Mukhamedzanov et al. PRC56, 1302(1997))
2. **γ -spectroscopy following fusion reactions** (D. Jenkins et al. PRL 92, 031101 (2004))
3. **γ -spectroscopy following knockout reactions** (R. Clement et al., PRL 92 172502, (2004))
4. **$(^3\text{He},d)$ reactions** (C. L. Jiang et al., subm. to PRC)

(α, γ) Reactions

cross sections $\sim 1/100 \sigma(p, \gamma)$

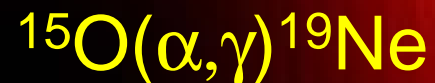
Important examples:



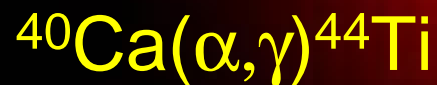
bridging the mass 8 gap



'most important reaction in Nuclear Astrophysics'



breakout from the hot CNO cycle



production of the gamma tracer ${}^{44}\text{Ti}$

Direct measurements of $^{40}\text{Ca}(\alpha,\gamma)^{44}\text{Ti}$ (amount of ^{44}Ti in CasA SN remnant)

- 1977: high intensity ^4He beams + ^{40}Ca target, γ detection
- (E. Coopermann et al., Nucl. Phys. A284, 163 (1977))
- Target deterioration
- Detection efficiency
- Background

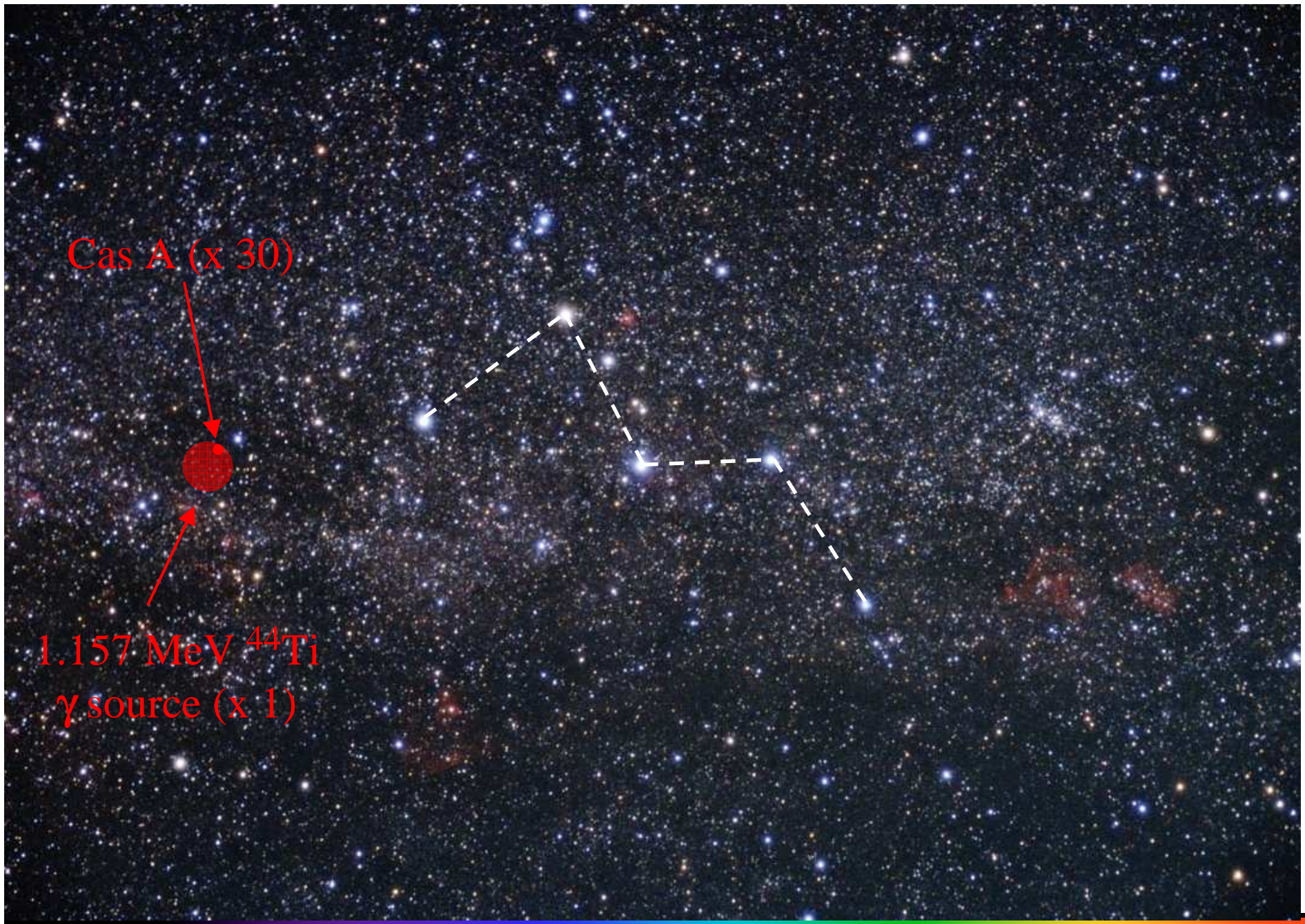
New approaches (^{40}Ca beam and ^4He target):

■ Accelerator mass spectrometry

(H. Nassar et al., PRL96, 041102(2006))

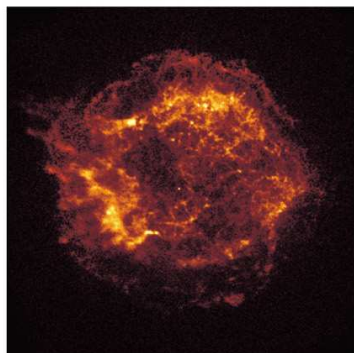
■ Measurements in inverse kinematics

(C. Vockenhuber et al., PRC76, 035801(2007))



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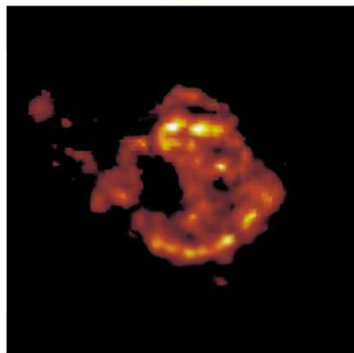
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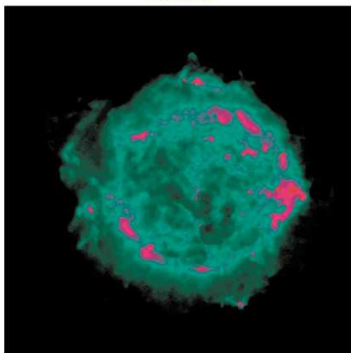
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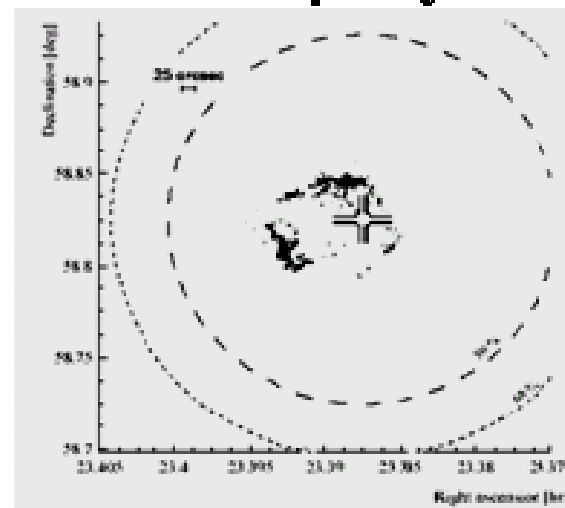
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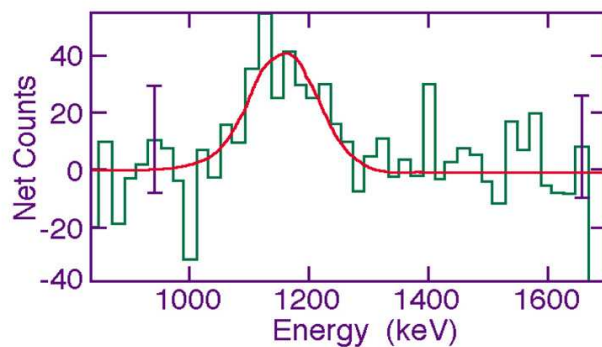
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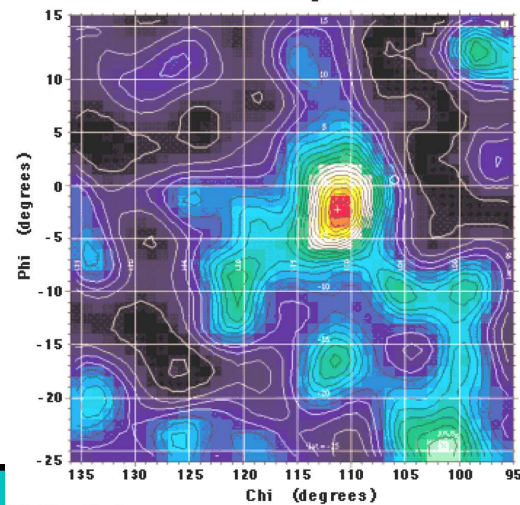
TeV γ -rays



^{44}Ti Signal from COMPTEL



Cas A Region $E_g = 1.157 \text{ MeV}$



^{44}Ti (59 y)
1.157 keV

Problems with ^{44}Ti signal

- Amount of ^{44}Ti measured in Cas A: $160 \pm 60 \mu\text{M}_\odot$ (3×10^{26} kg)
- Amount of ^{44}Ti calculated: $20 - 80 \mu\text{M}_\odot$

(for comparison: mass of the earth $\sim 6 \times 10^{24}$ kg)

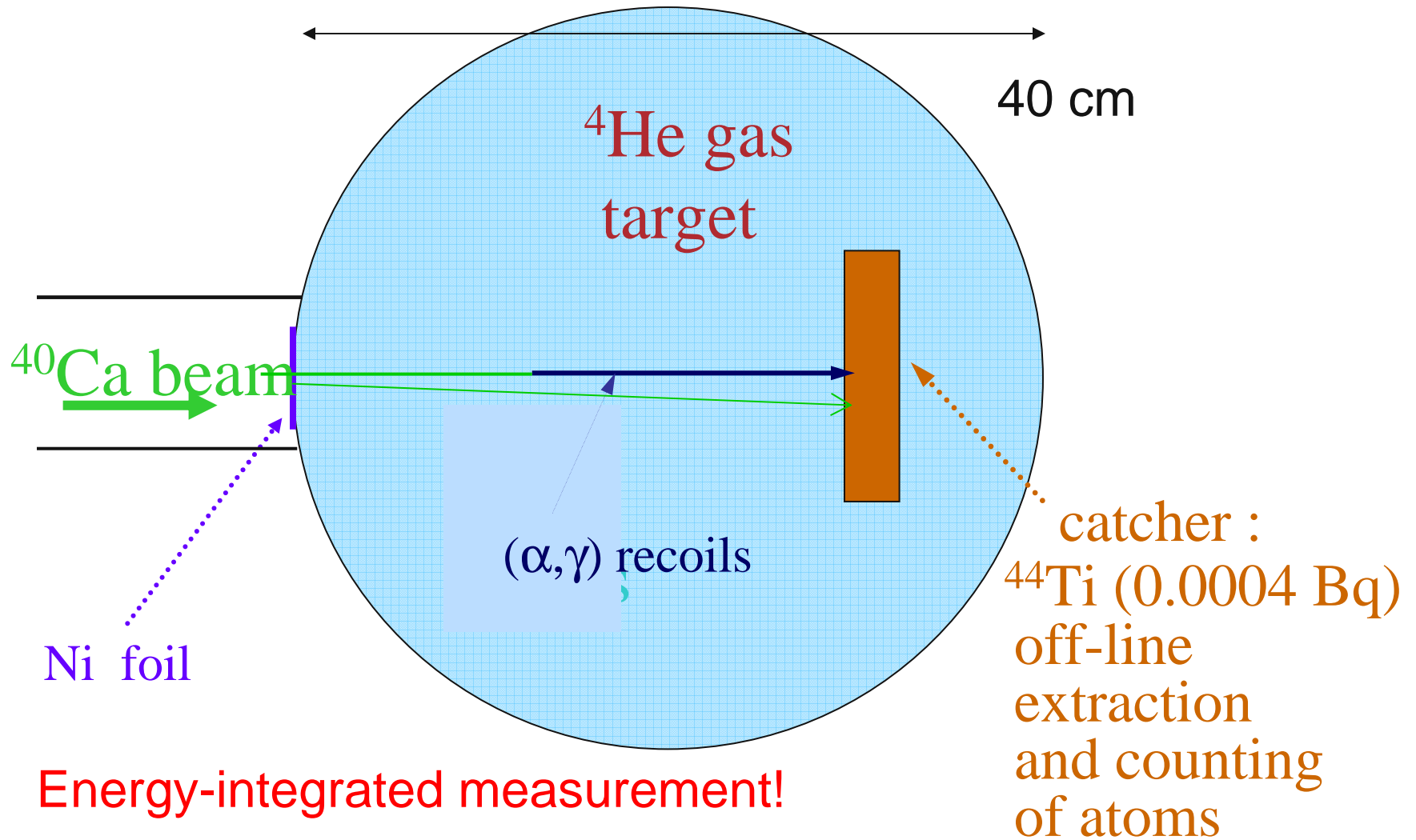
Mn 1246° 2061° +2+3+4+7 54.938049 0.000031%	Mn44	Mn45	Mn46 41 ms	Mn47 100 ms	Mn48 158.1 ms 4+	Mn49 382 ms 5/2-	Mn50 283.88 ms 0+ *	Mn51 46.2 m 5/2-	Mn52 5.591 d 6+ *	Mn53 3.74E+6 y 7/2-
Cr42	Cr43 21 ms (3/2+)	Cr44 53 ms 0+	Cr45 50 ms	Cr46 0.26 s 0+	Cr47 500 ms 3/2-	Cr48 21.56 h 0+	Cr49 42.3 m 5/2-	Cr50 1.8E+17 y 0+ ECEC 4.345	Cr51 27.702 d 7/2-	Cr52 0+
V41	V42	V43 800 ms (7/2-)	V44 90 ms (2+)	V45 547 ms 7/2- *	V46 1.5E+17 y 0+ *	V47 32.6 m 3/2-	V48 15.9735 d 4+	V49 330 d 7/2-	V50 1.4E+17 y 6+ EC,β- 0.250	V51 7/2-
Ti40 50 ms 0+	Ti41 80 ms 3/2+	Ti42 199 ms 0+	Ti43 509 ms 7/2-	Ti44 63 y 0+	Ti45 184.8 m 7/2-	Ti46 0+	Ti47 5/2-	Ti48 0+	Ti49 7/2-	Ti50 0+
Sc39 (7/2-)	Sc40 182.3 ms 4-	Sc41 596.3 ms 7/2-	Sc42 681.3 ms 0+ *	Sc43 3.891 h 7/2-	Sc44 3.927 h 2+ *	Sc45 7/2- *	Sc46 83.79 d 4+ *	Sc47 3.3492 d 7/2-	Sc48 43.67 h 6+	Sc49 57.2 m 7/2-
Ca38 440 ms 0+	Ca39 859.6 ms 3/2+	Ca40 0+	Ca41 1.03E+5 y 7/2-	Ca42 0+	Ca43 7/2-	Ca44 0+	Ca45 162.61 d 7/2-	Ca46 0+	Ca47 4.536 d 7/2-	Ca48 6E+18 y 0+ β-,β-β- 0.187
K37 1.226 s 3/2+	K38 7.636 m 3+ *	K39 3/2+	K40 1.277E+9 y 4- EC,β- 0.0117	K41 3/2+	K42 12.360 h 2-	K43 22.3 h 3/2+	K44 22.13 m 2-	K45 17.3 m 3/2+	K46 105 s (2-)	K47 17.50 s 1/2+
Ar36 0+	Ar37 35.04 d 3/2+	Ar38 0+	Ar39 269 y 7/2-	Ar40 0+	Ar41 109.34 m 7/2-	Ar42 32.9 y 0+	Ar43 5.37 m (3/2,5/2)	Ar44 11.87 m 0+	Ar45 21.48 s	Ar46 8.4 s 0+

(α,p)



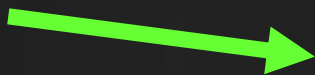
**Direct (α, γ) measurements
(with stable beams)**

Experimental setup for the $^{40}\text{Ca}(\alpha,\gamma)^{44}\text{Ti}$ experiment :

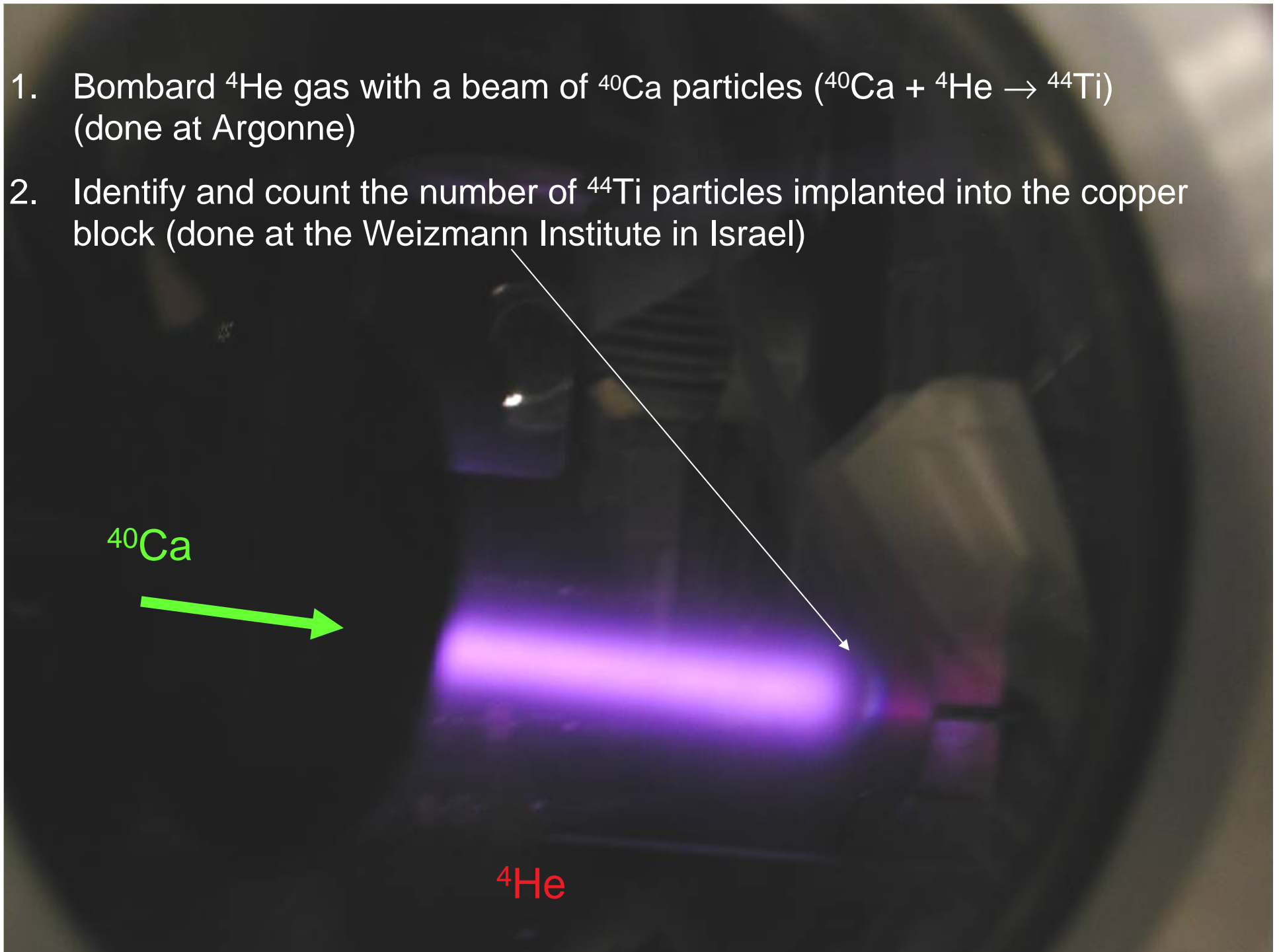


1. Bombard ^4He gas with a beam of ^{40}Ca particles ($^{40}\text{Ca} + ^4\text{He} \rightarrow ^{44}\text{Ti}$) (done at Argonne)
2. Identify and count the number of ^{44}Ti particles implanted into the copper block (done at the Weizmann Institute in Israel)

^{40}Ca



^4He



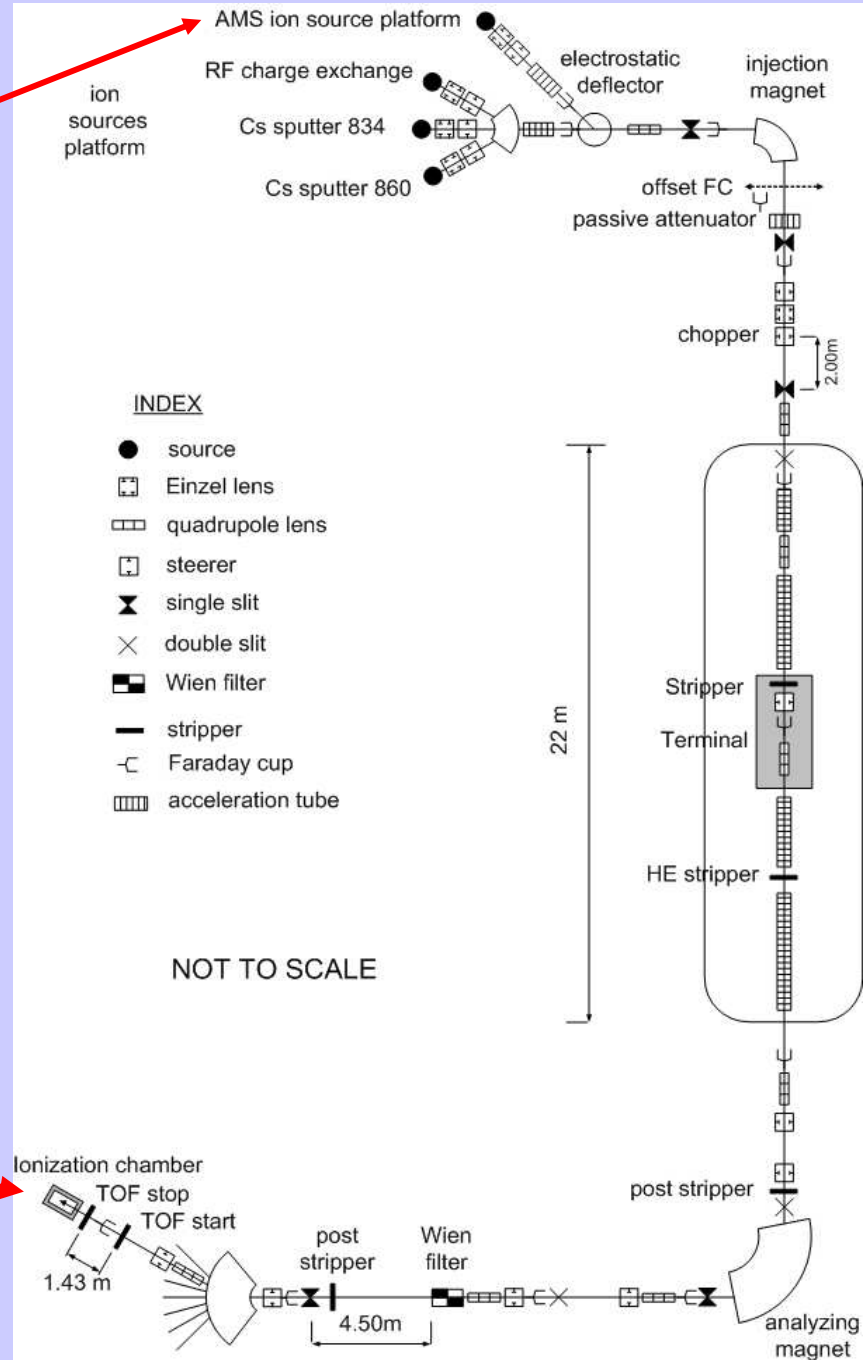
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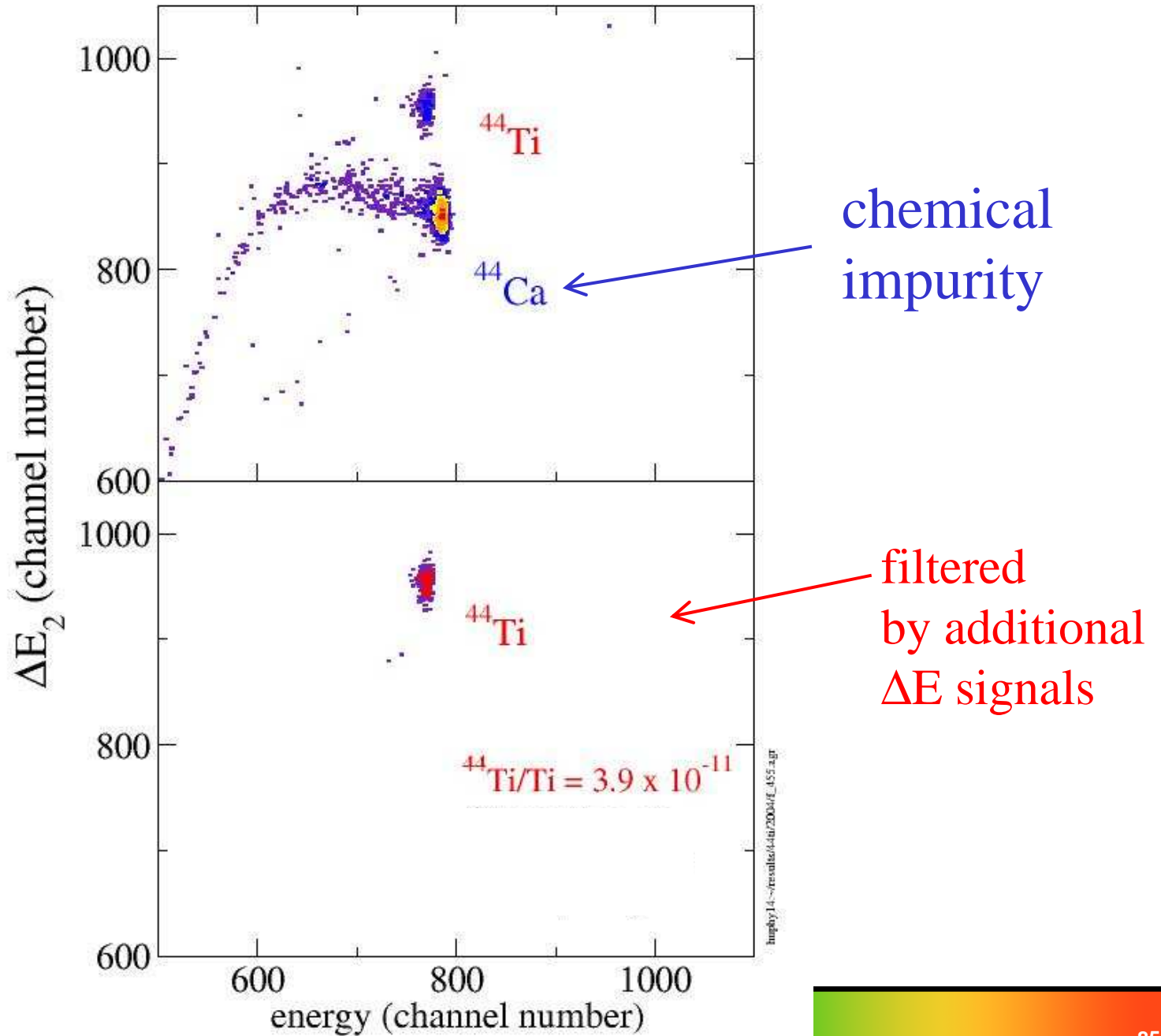
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AMS : mass spectrometry
at high energy : 130 MeV

analysis and
detection:
 $44Ti$, $46Ti$

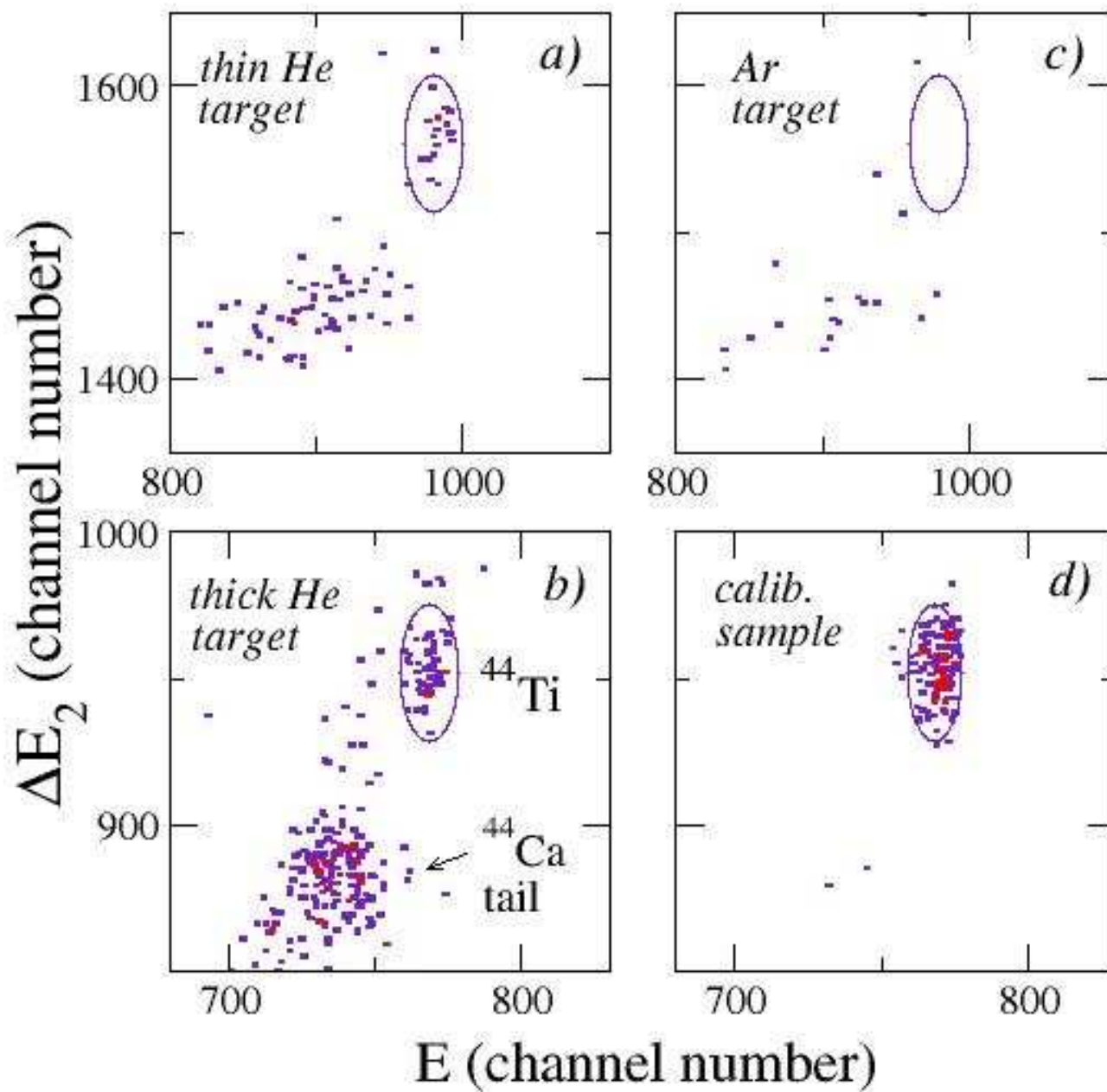


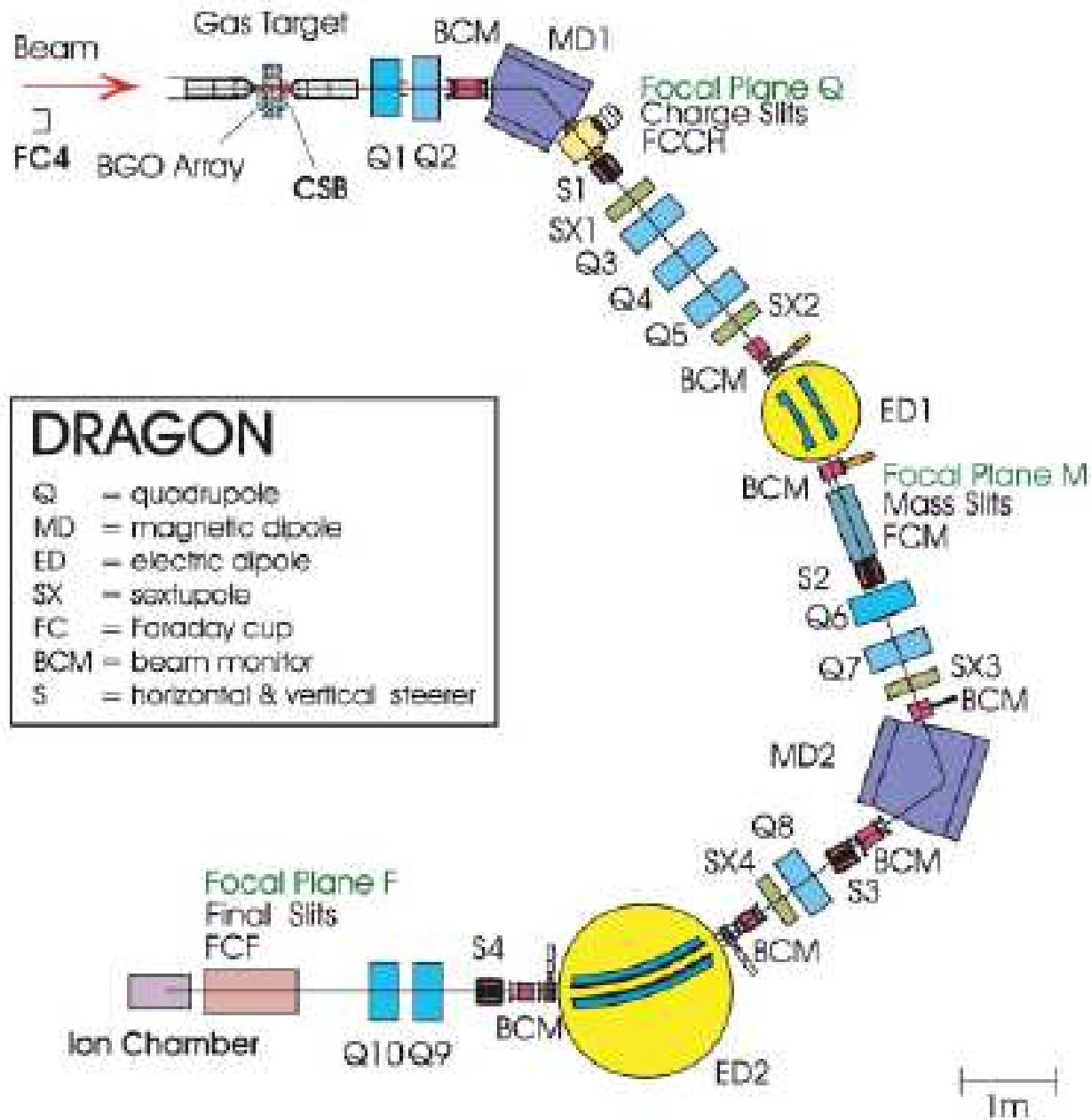
tandem
accelerator

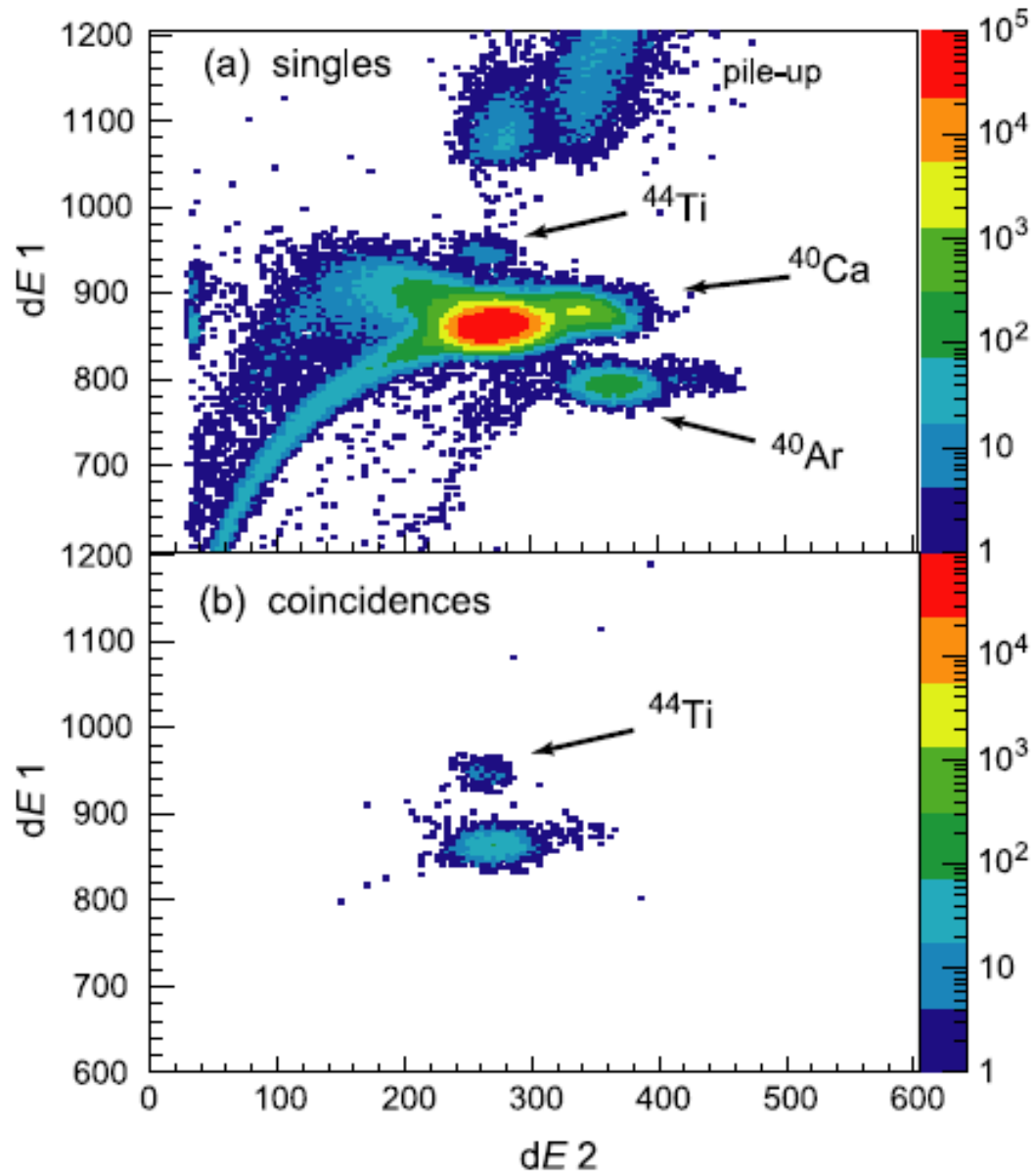


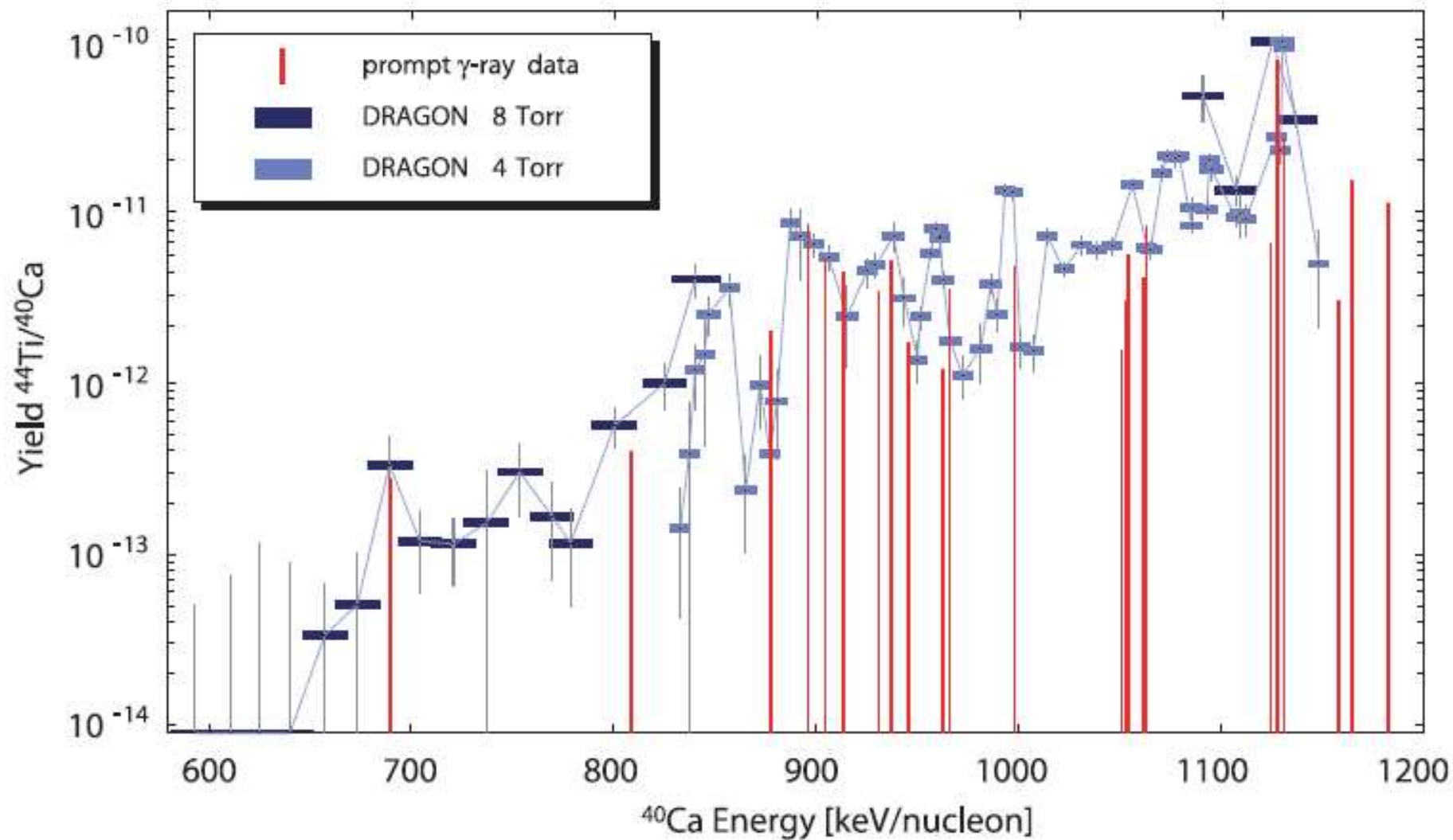
$^4\text{He} (^{40}\text{Ca}, ^{44}\text{Ti}) \gamma$

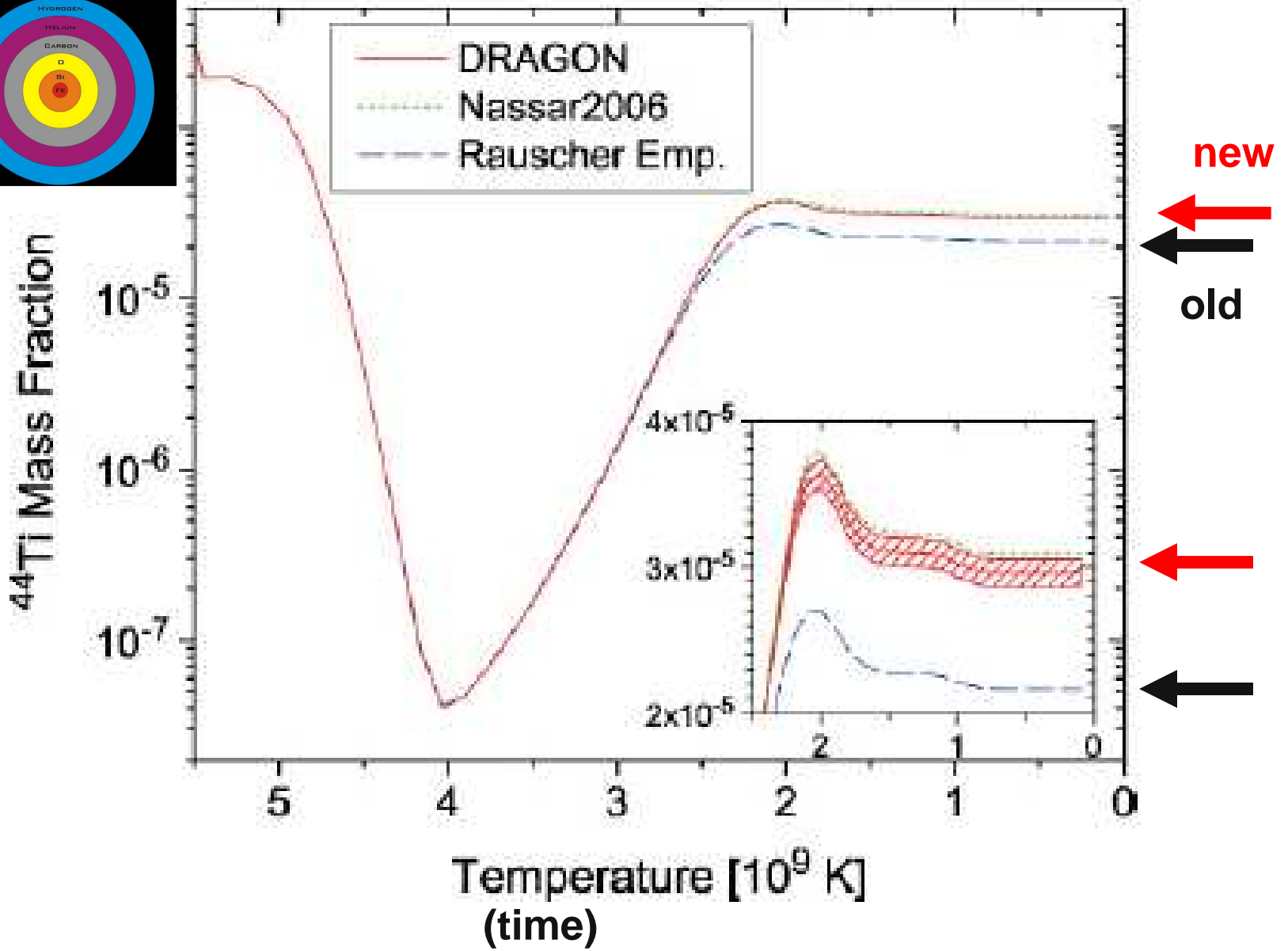
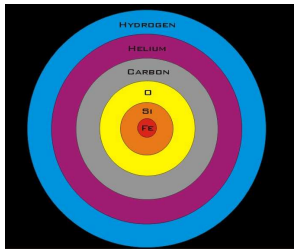
$E_{\text{cm}} = 0.6 - 1.2 \text{ MeV/u}$











Indirect (α, γ) measurements

$$\sigma(\alpha, \gamma) = \frac{\pi}{k^2} \frac{2J+1}{(2J_1+1)(2J_2+1)} \frac{\Gamma_\alpha \Gamma_\gamma}{(E - E_r)^2 + (\Gamma/2)^2}$$

for $^{15}\text{O}(\alpha, \gamma)^{19}\text{Ne}$:

E_r

✓

J

✓

Need: Γ_γ (from T_γ)

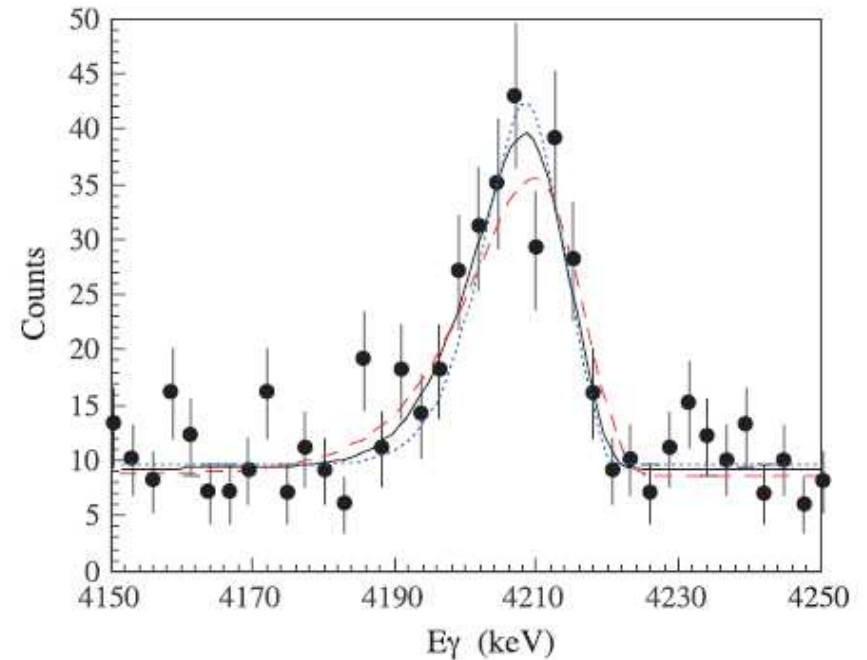
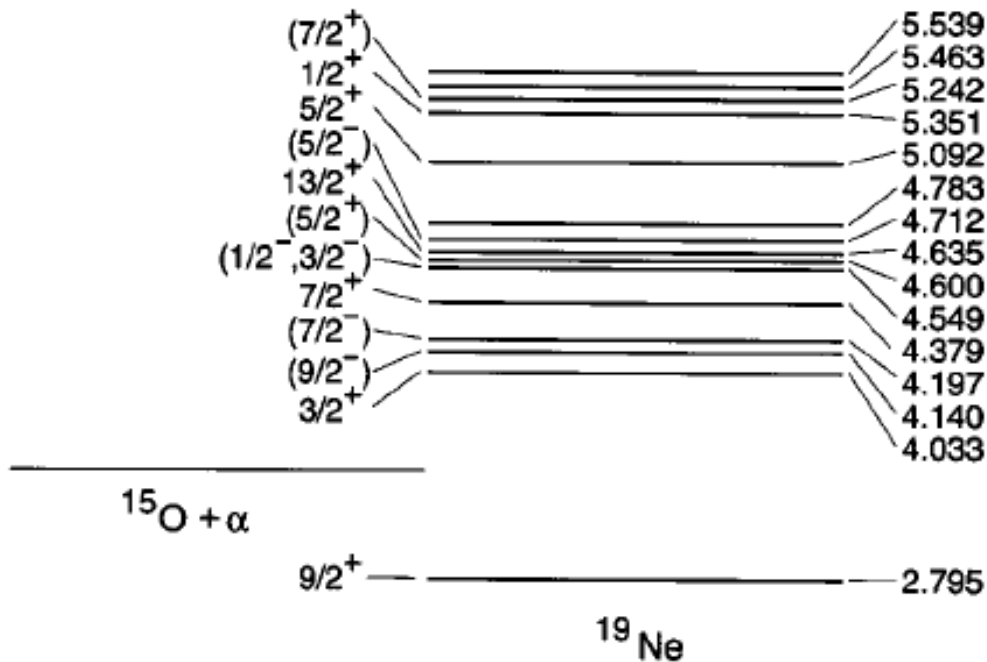
$\Gamma_\alpha/\Gamma_\gamma$

$T_{1/2}$ measurements in ^{19}Ne ($\Gamma_\gamma(4.033 \text{ MeV})$)

W. P. Tan et al., PRC, 72, 041302(2005)

R. Kanungo et al., PRC74, 045803(2006)

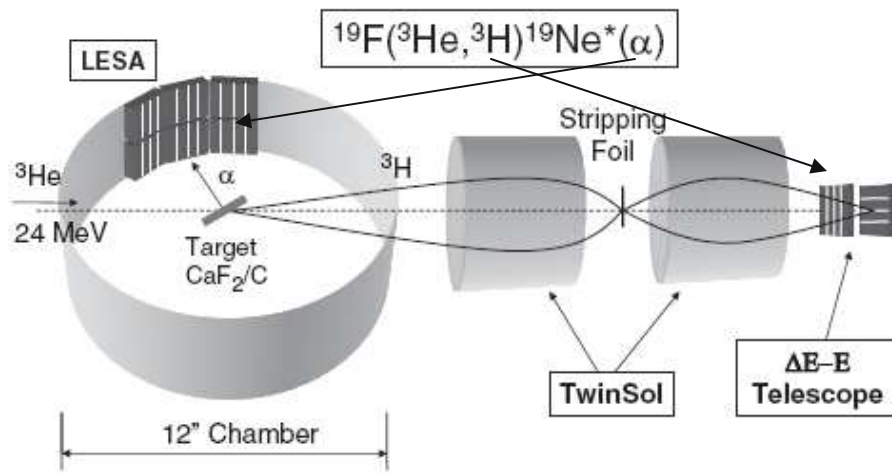
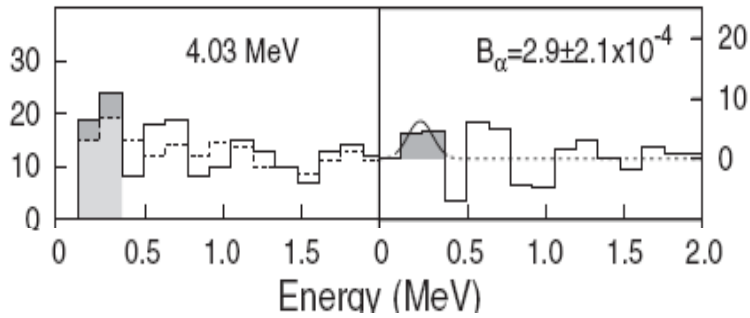
S. Mythili et al., PRC 77,035803(2008)



$$\tau = 11^{+4}_{-3} \text{ fs}$$

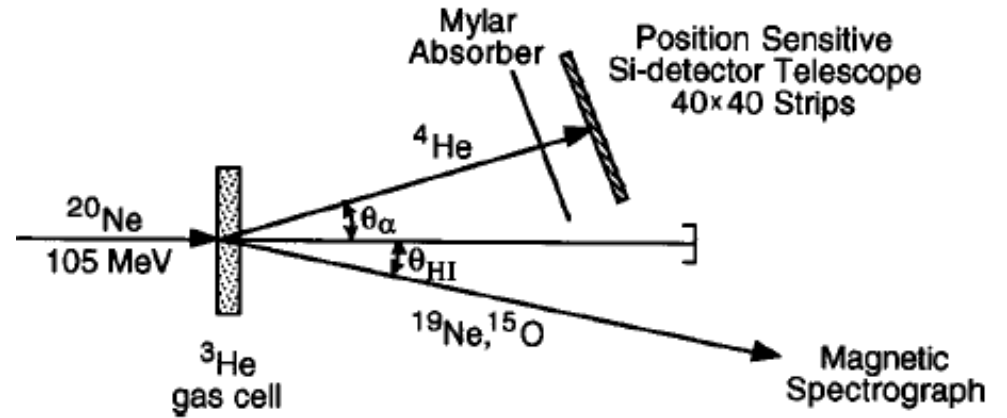
$$(\Delta x \sim 3 \mu)$$

Need measurement of Γ_α or $\Gamma_\alpha/\Gamma_\gamma$

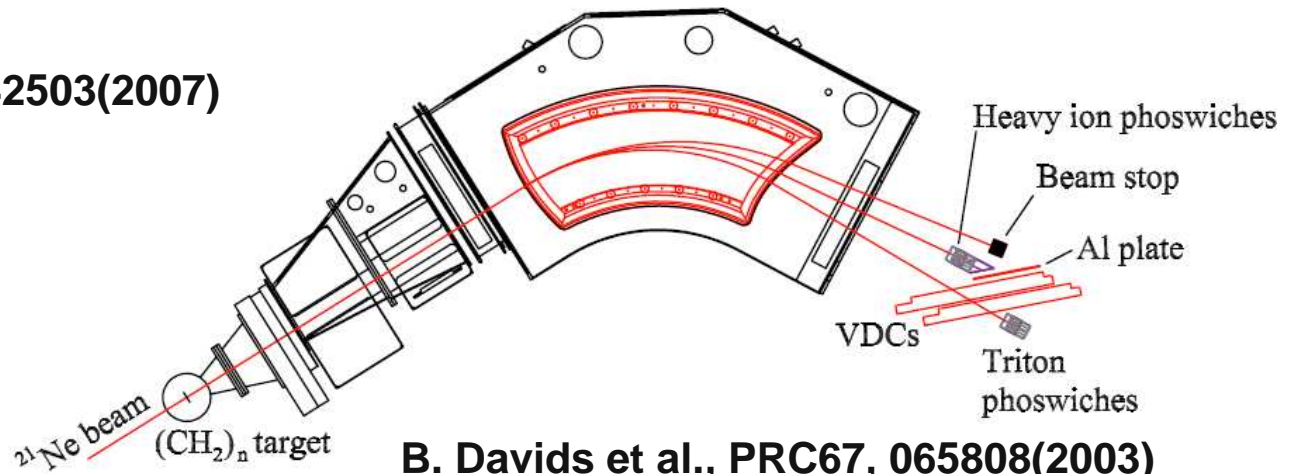


W. P. Tan et al., PRL98, 242503(2007)

$$\Gamma_{\alpha} / \Gamma_{\gamma} < 4 \times 10^{-4}$$



K.E. Rehm et al., PRC67, 065809(2003)



B. Davids et al., PRC67, 065808(2003)

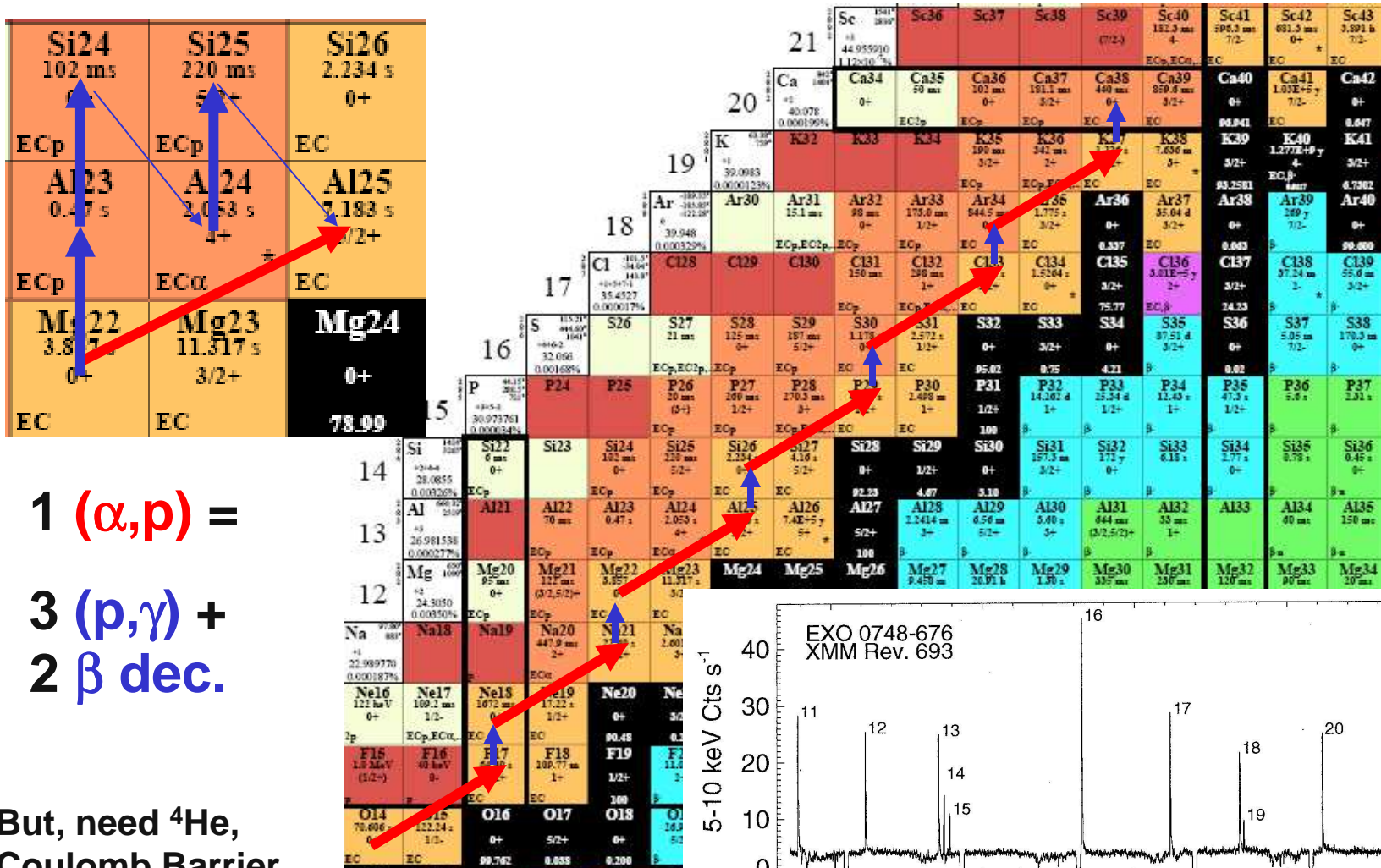
A

Study of (α ,p) reactions

B

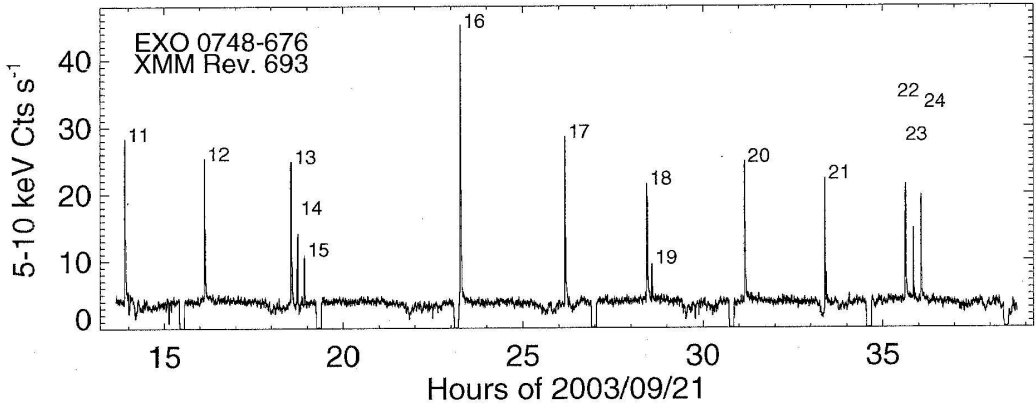
X-ray bursts

The (α, p) reaction in the (rp) process



1 $(\alpha, p) =$
 3 $(p, \gamma) +$
 2 β dec.

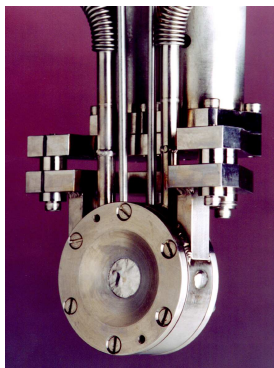
But, need ^4He ,
 Coulomb Barrier



Direct measurement of $^{44}\text{Ti}(\alpha, p)^{47}\text{V}$ in inverse kinematics



$\frac{m}{q}$, t , z



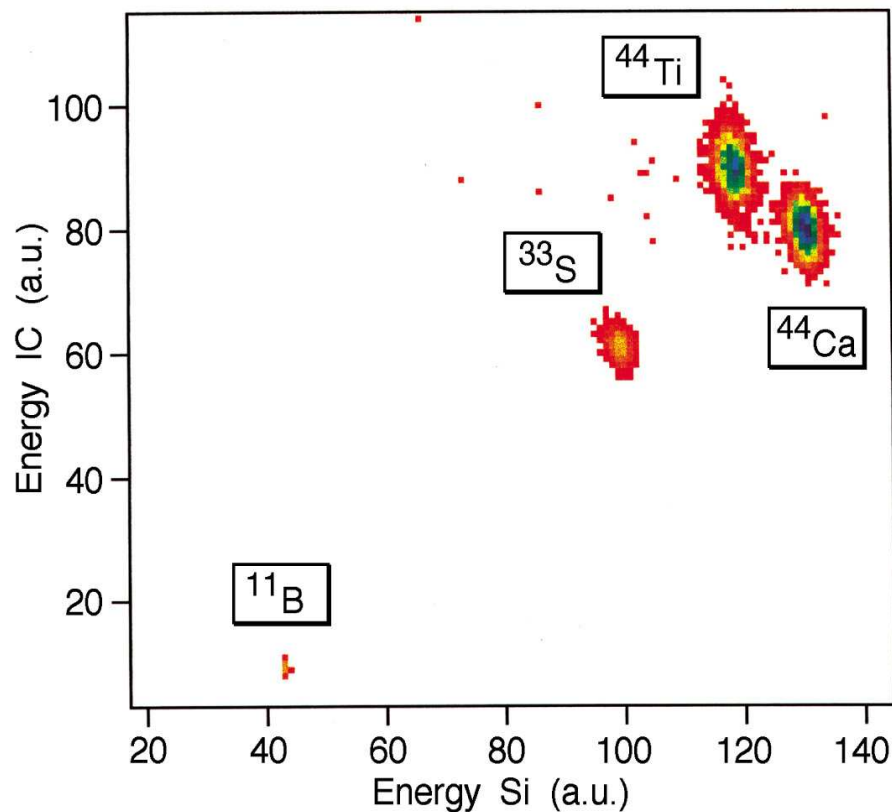
^4He
target



A. Sonzogni et al., PRL84, 1651(2000)

Beam contaminants at ATLAS(⁴⁴Ti)

(measure ⁴⁴Ti(α,p)⁴⁷V and ⁴⁴Ca(α,p)⁴⁷Sc)



Beam Contaminants: ⁴⁴Ca⁸⁺
³³S⁶⁺
⁽²²Ne⁴⁺)
¹¹B²⁺

Injected mass: ⁴⁴TiO⁻ (mass 60)

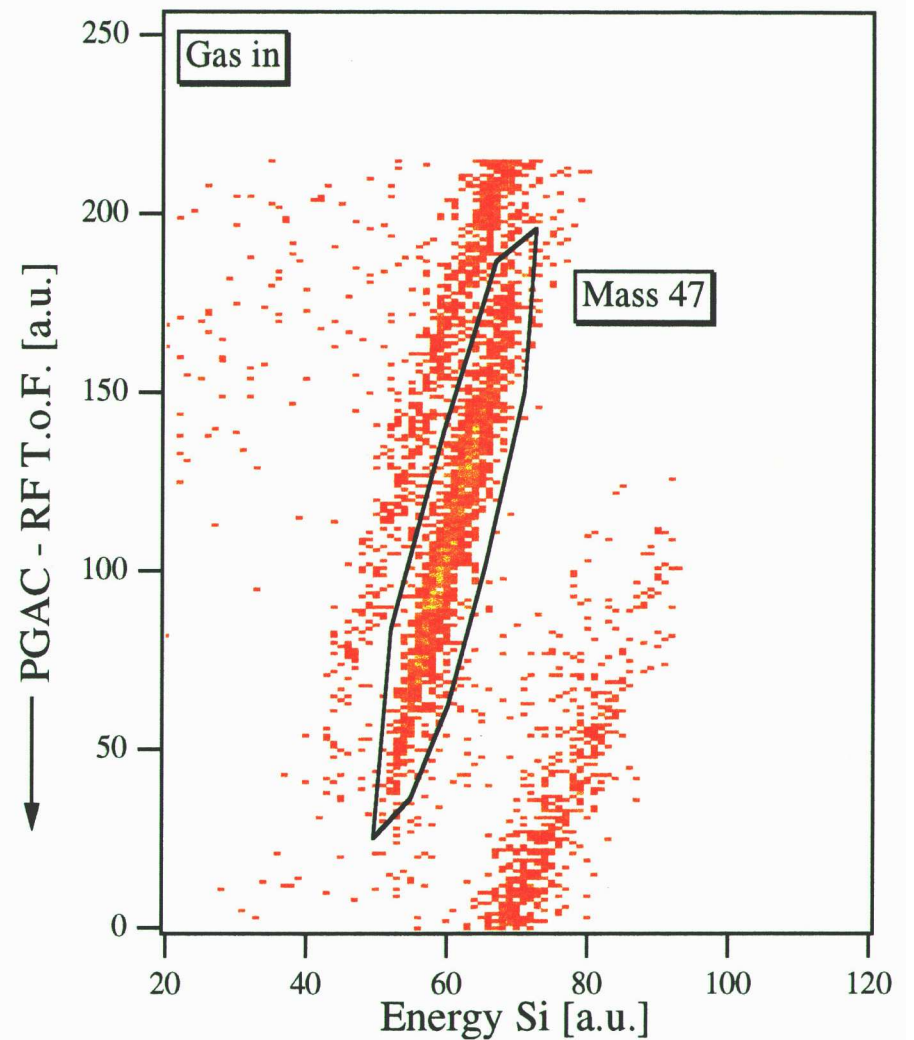
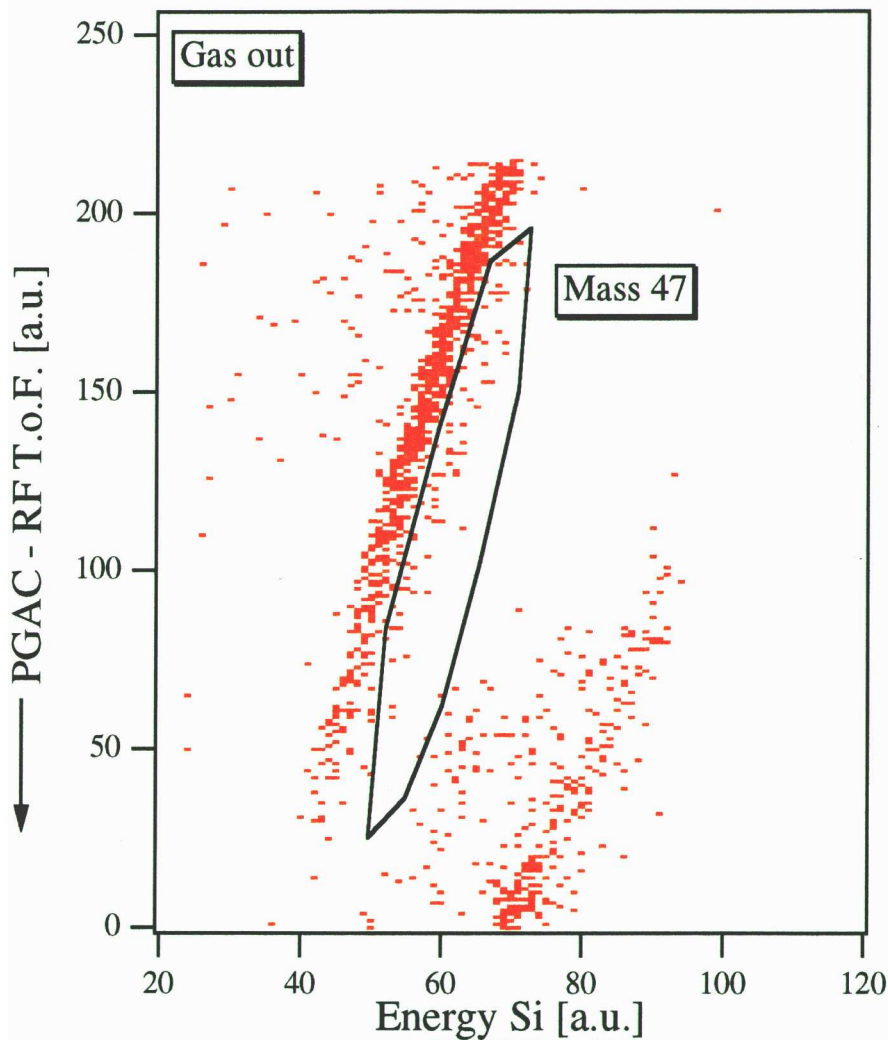
⁴⁴CaO⁻

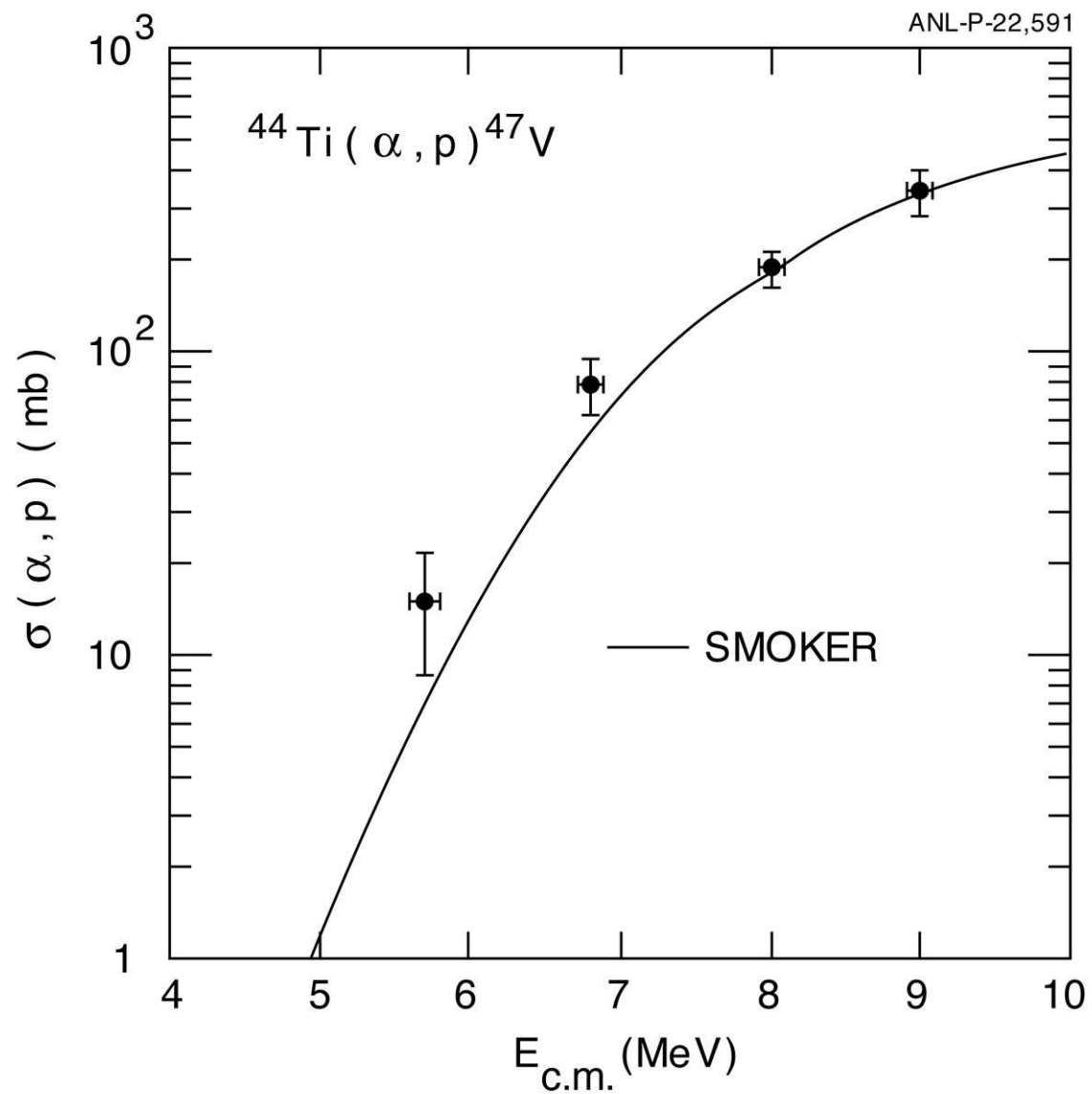
³³SC_xH_y(?)

¹¹B_xC_yH_z(?)

$$\frac{\Delta m}{m} (^{44}\text{Ti} - ^{44}\text{Ca}) = 1.1 \times 10^{-4}$$

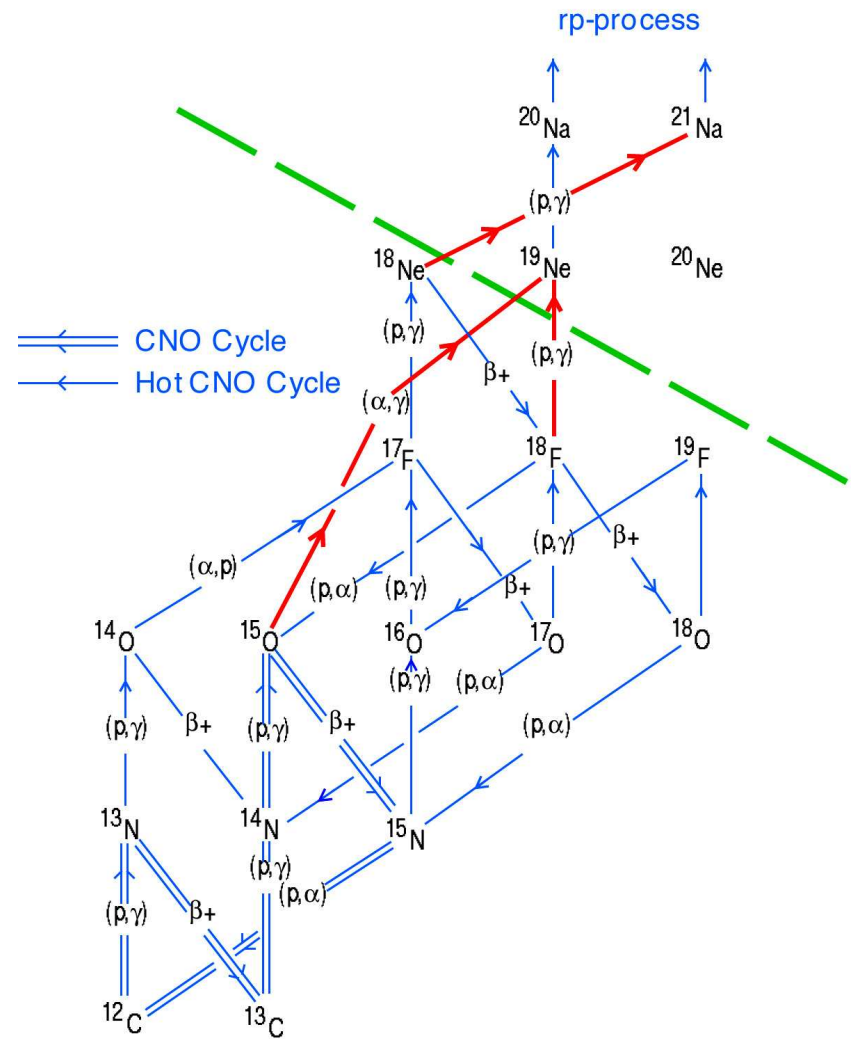
${}^4\text{He}({}^{44}\text{Ti}, {}^{47}\text{V})\text{p}$ or ${}^4\text{He}({}^{44}\text{Ca}, {}^{47}\text{Sc})\text{p}$





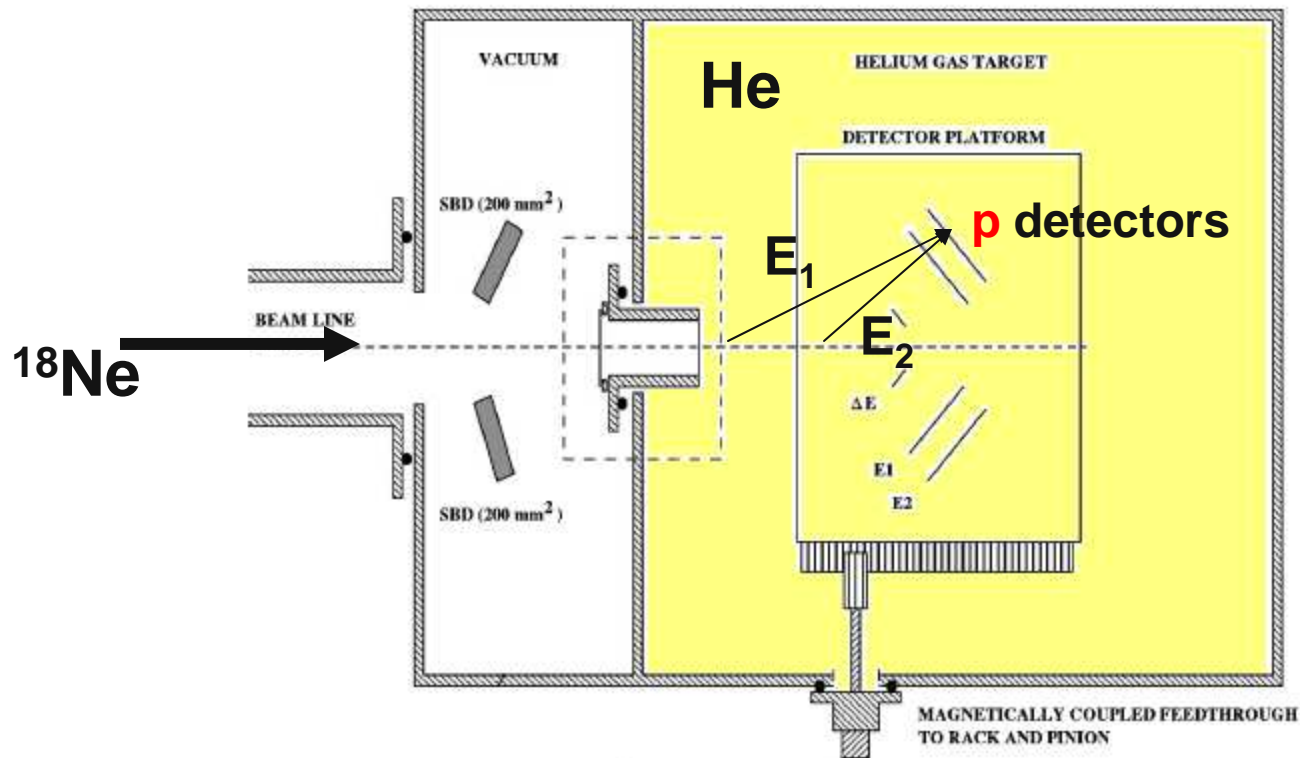
A. Sonzogni et al., PRL84, 1651(2000)

The $^{18}\text{Ne}(\alpha,p)$ reaction: breakout from the hot CNO cycle



Direct measurement of $^{18}\text{Ne}(\alpha, p)^{21}\text{Na}$:

For recoil separator would need a large acceptance



W. Bradfield-Smith et al., PRC59, 3402(1999)
D. Groombridge et al. PRC66,055802(2002)

- Efficiencies
- Transitions to excited states
- Limited to higher energies

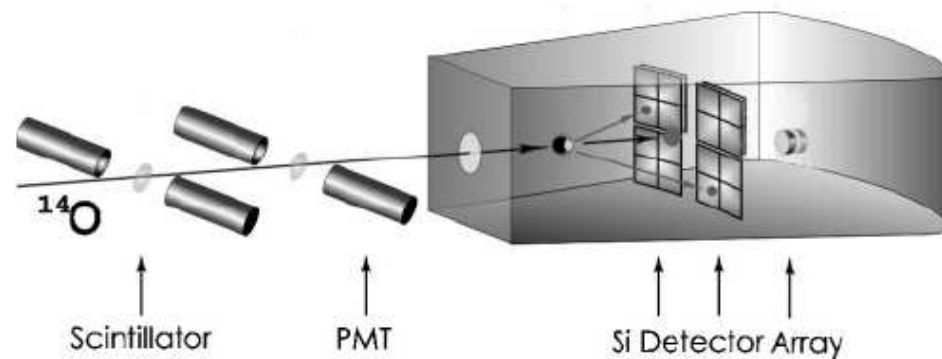
Indirect methods (α, p):

Inverse reactions:

$^{21}\text{Na}(p, \alpha)^{18}\text{Ne}$, see: S. Sinha et al., BAPS 2004 2004 and to be publ.

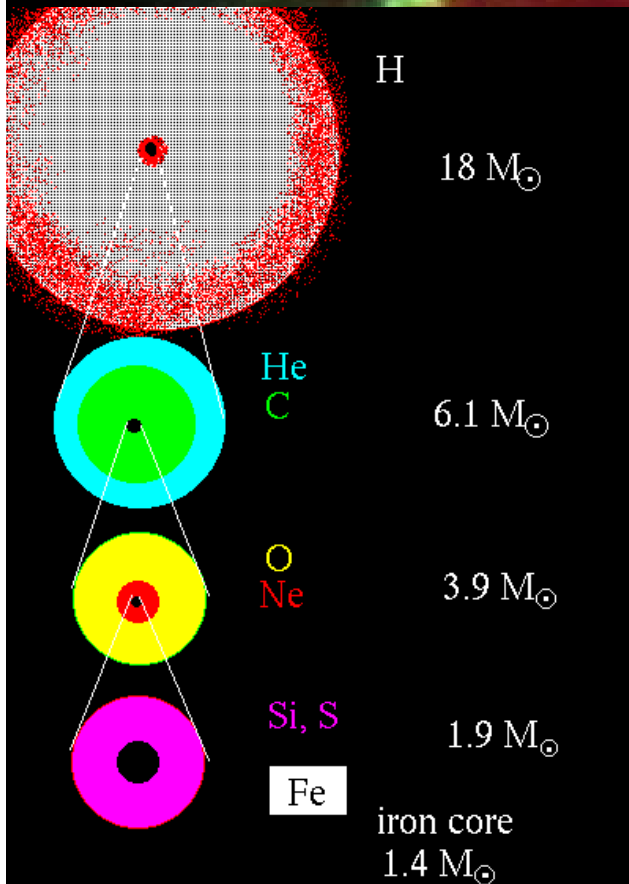
Thick target technique:

C. B. Fu et al. PRC76, 0212603(2007)



Fusion reactions in nuclear astrophysics

Carbon burning



Hydrogen burning 10^7 y

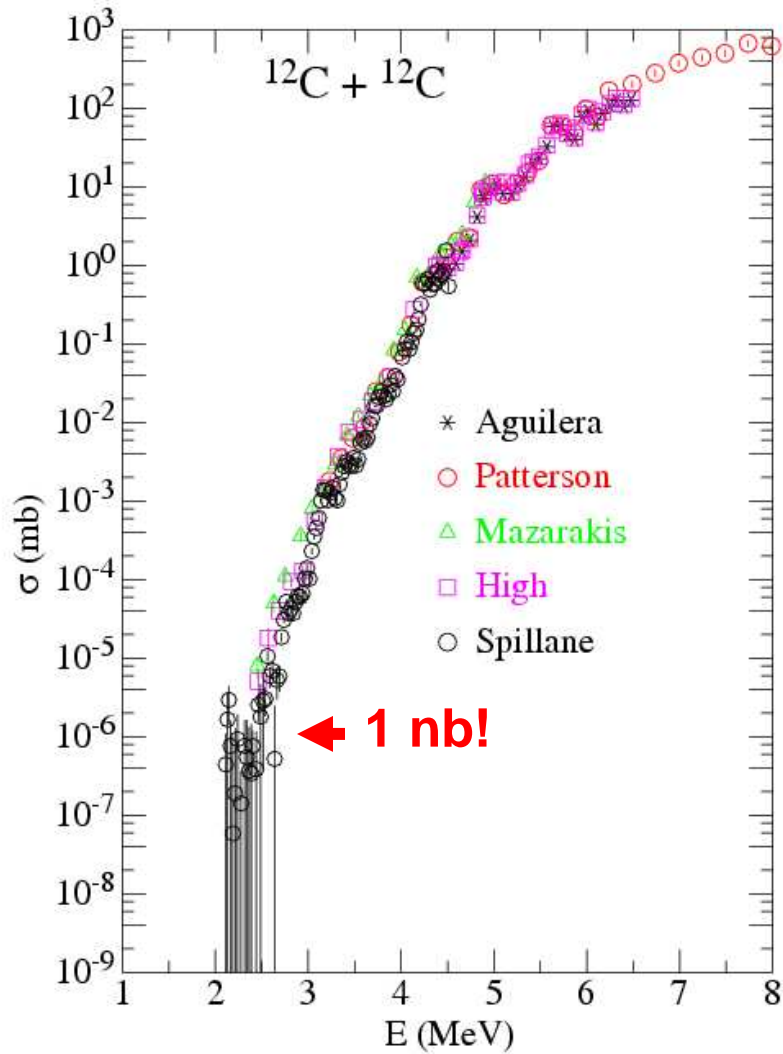
Helium burning 10^6 y

Carbon burning 10^3 y

Si burning 1d

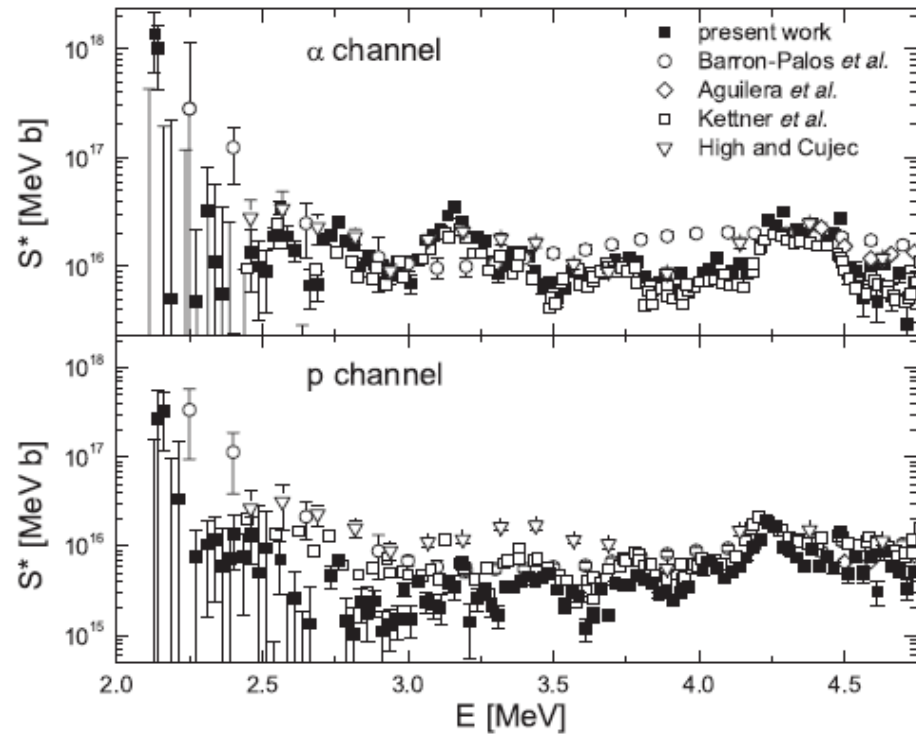
How to extrapolate towards lower energies

Example: $^{12}\text{C} + ^{12}\text{C}$ fusion



$$^{12}\text{C}(^{12}\text{C}, p)^{23}\text{Na} \quad Q = 2.240 \text{ MeV}$$

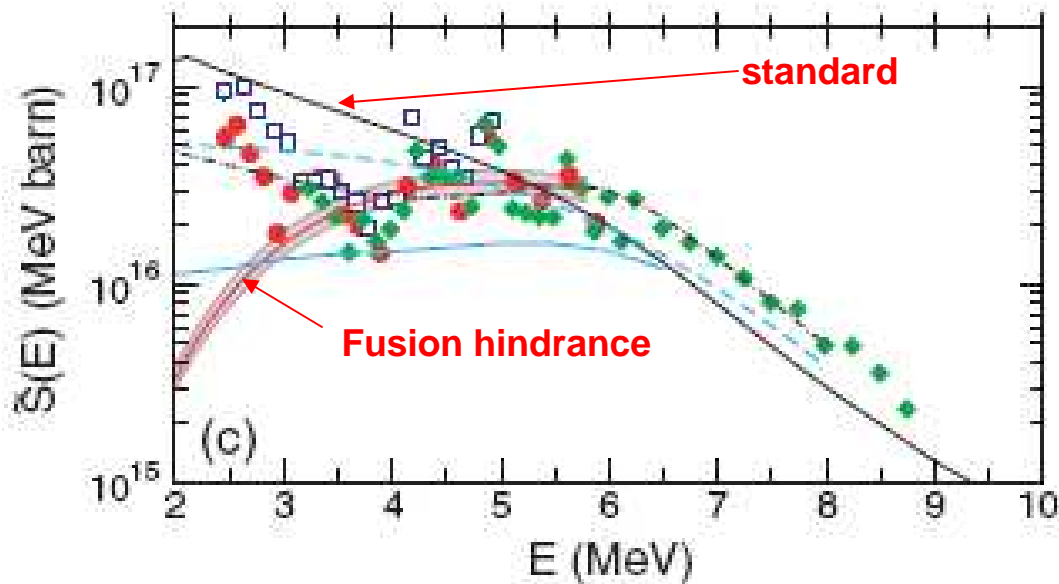
$$^{12}\text{C}(^{12}\text{C}, \alpha)^{20}\text{Ne} \quad Q = 4.617 \text{ MeV}$$



T. Spillane *et al.*, PRL98, 122501(2007)

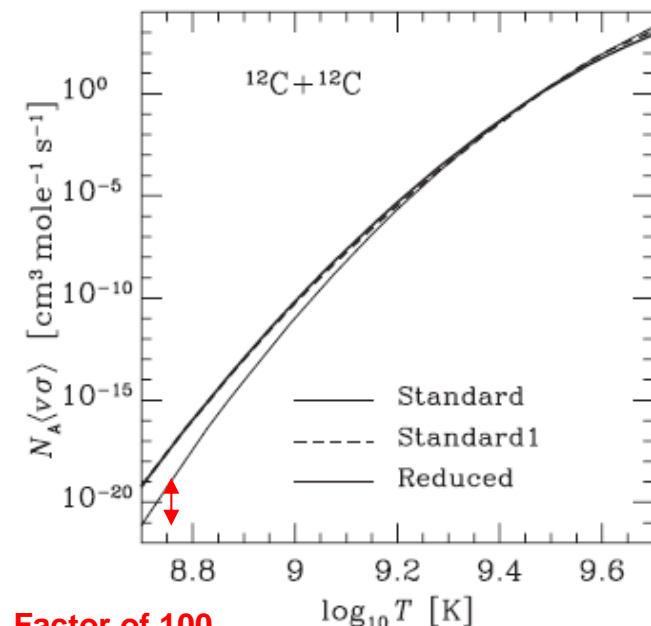
Problems:

- Cross sections are in the pb range
- Data from various groups don't agree
- There can be resonances at low E
- How to extrapolate (fusion hindrance)



C. L. Jiang et al., PRC 75, 015803(2007)

L. R. Gasques et al., PRC76, 035802(2007)



Factor of 100
different rates!

Need experimental data!

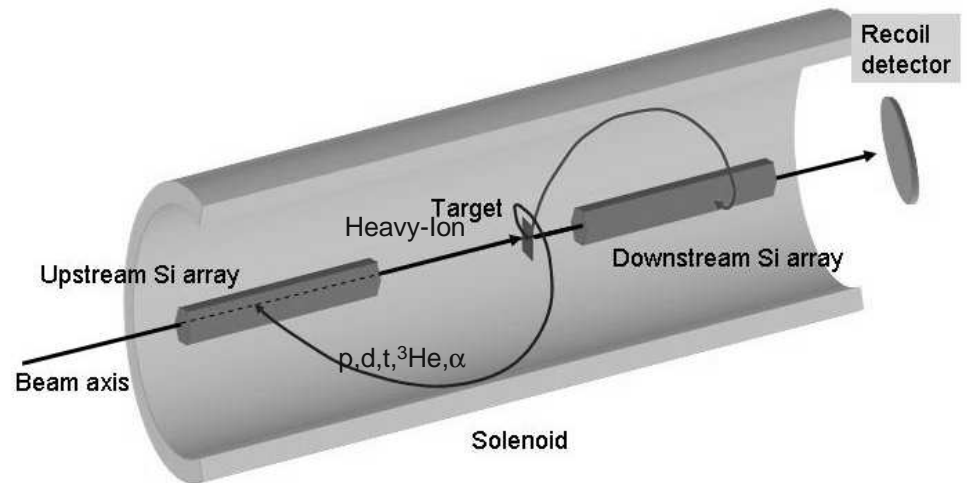
A new technique for particle detection in inverse kinematics

Measured quantities

Flight time: $T_{\text{flight}} = T_{\text{cyc}}$
 Position: z
 Energy: E_{lab}

Derived quantities

Part. ID: m/q
 Energy: E_{cm}
 Angle: θ_{cm}



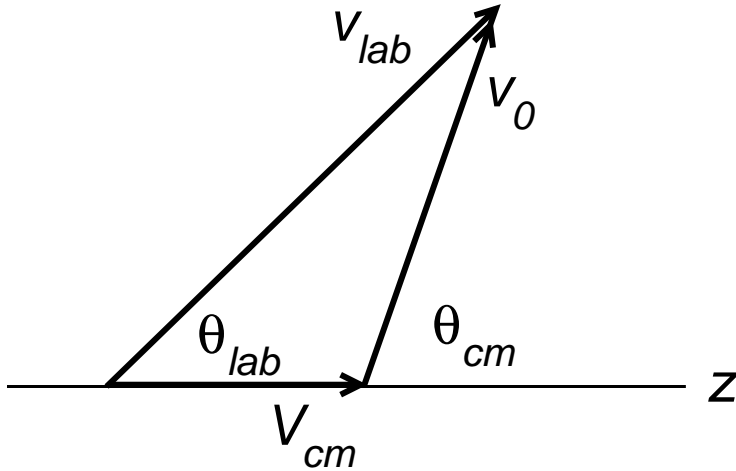
$$\frac{m}{q} = \frac{eB}{2\pi} \times T_{\text{flight}}$$

$$E_{\text{cm}} = E_{\text{lab}} + \frac{1}{2} m V_{\text{cm}}^2 - \frac{V_{\text{cm}} q e B z}{2\pi}$$

$$\theta_{\text{cm}} = \arccos \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{q e B z - 2\pi m V_{\text{cm}}}{\sqrt{2m E_{\text{lab}} + m^2 V_{\text{cm}}^2 - m V_{\text{cm}} q e B z / \pi}} \right)$$

Field: 5 Tesla	
Particle	T_{cyc} (ns)
p	13.1
d, α	26.2
t	39.4
^3He	19.7

Simple kinematics



$$z = v_{\parallel} T_{cyc} = (V_{cm} + v_0 \cos \theta_{cm}) T_{cyc}$$

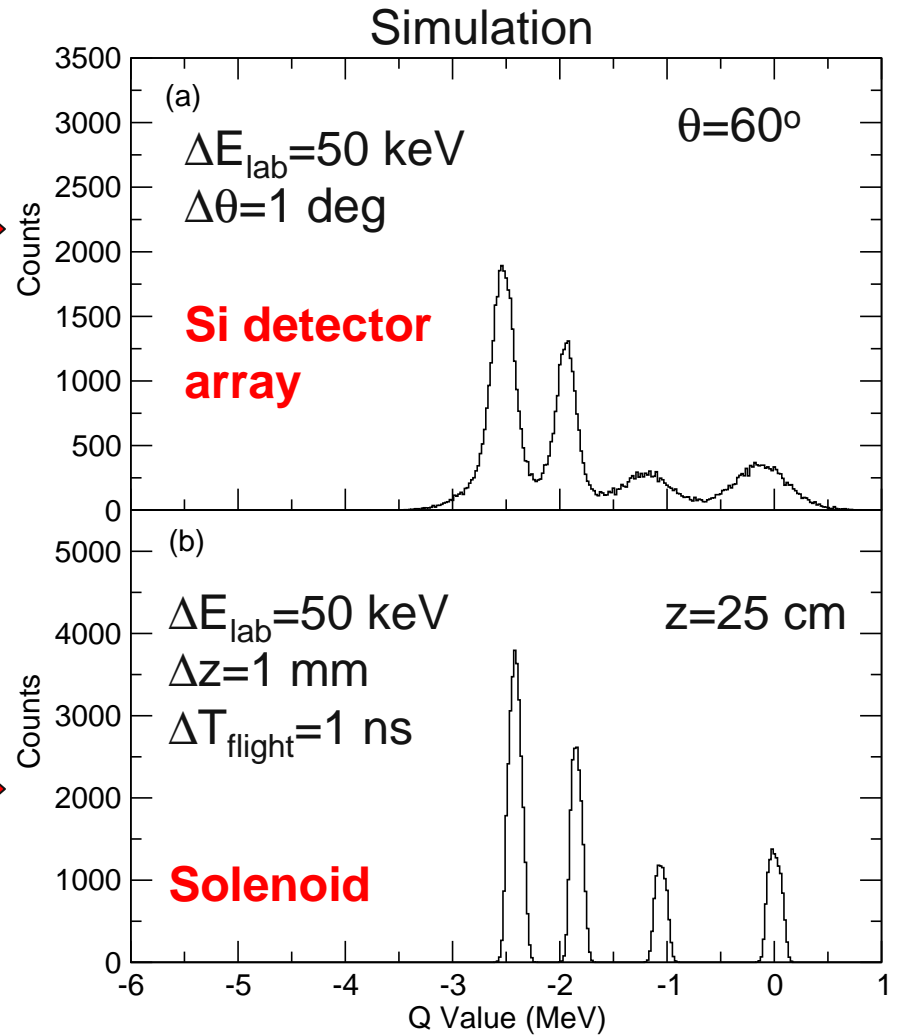
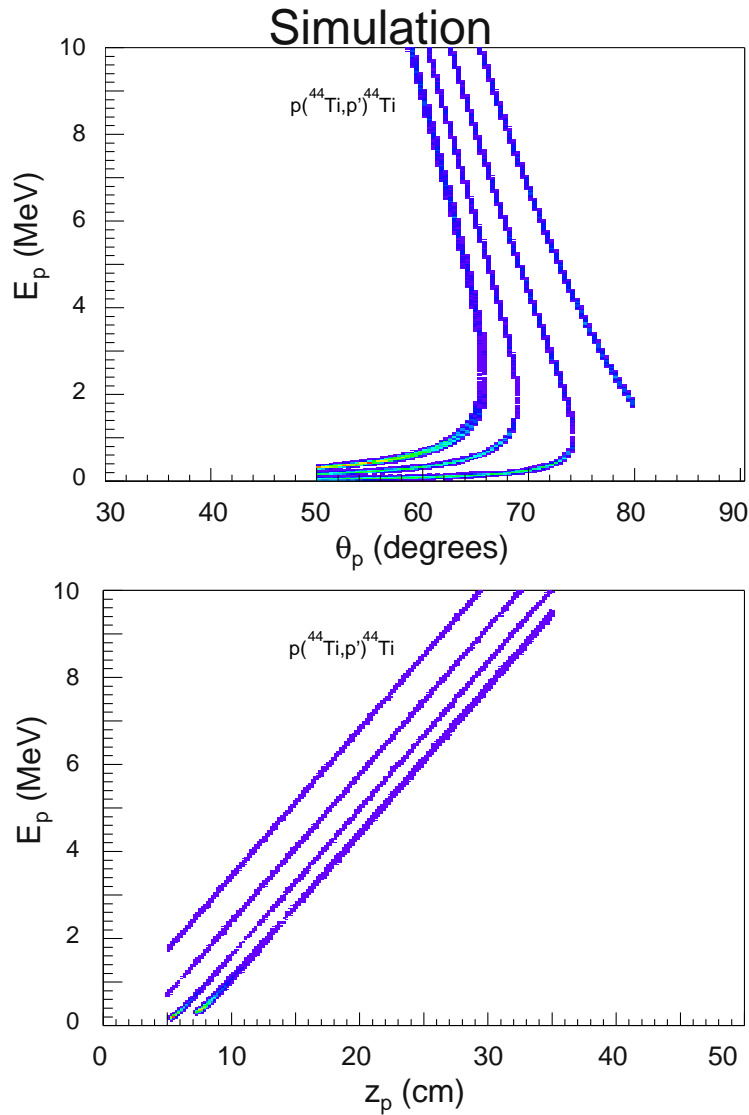
$$\Rightarrow v_0 \cos \theta_{cm} = \frac{z}{T_{cyc}} - V_{cm}$$

$$E_{lab} = \frac{m}{2} [v_{\parallel}^2 + v_{\perp}^2] = \frac{m}{2} [(v_0 \cos \theta_{cm} + V_{cm})^2 + v_0^2 \sin^2 \theta_{cm}]$$

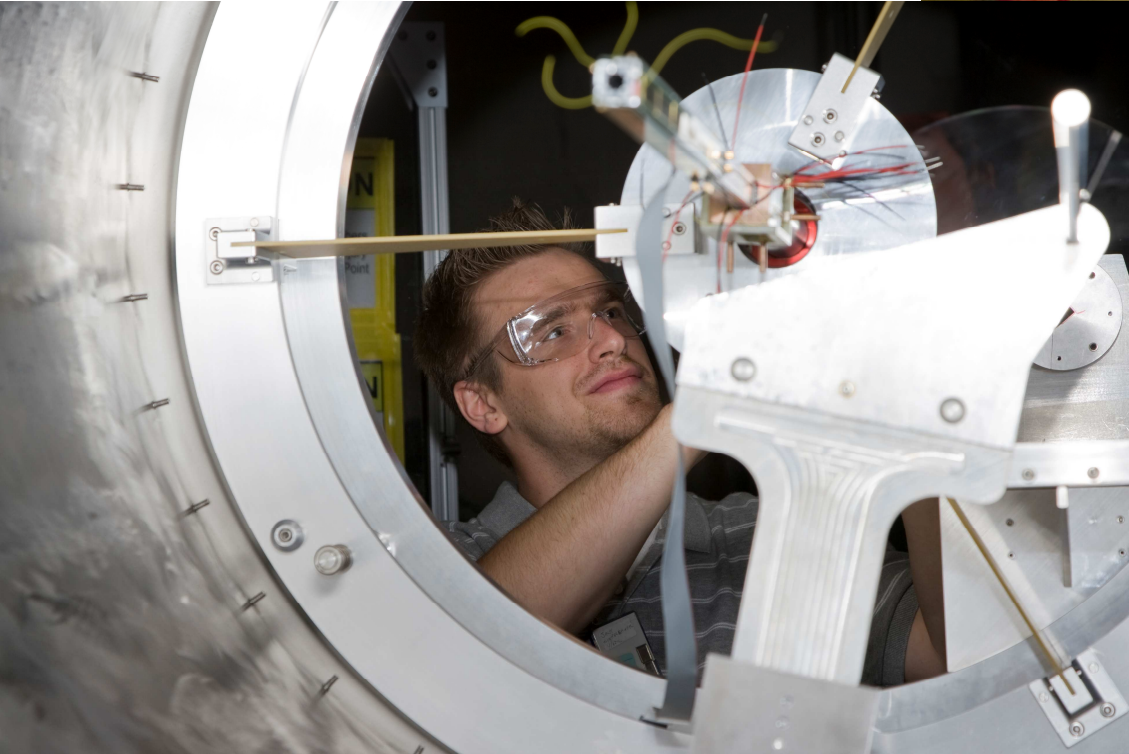
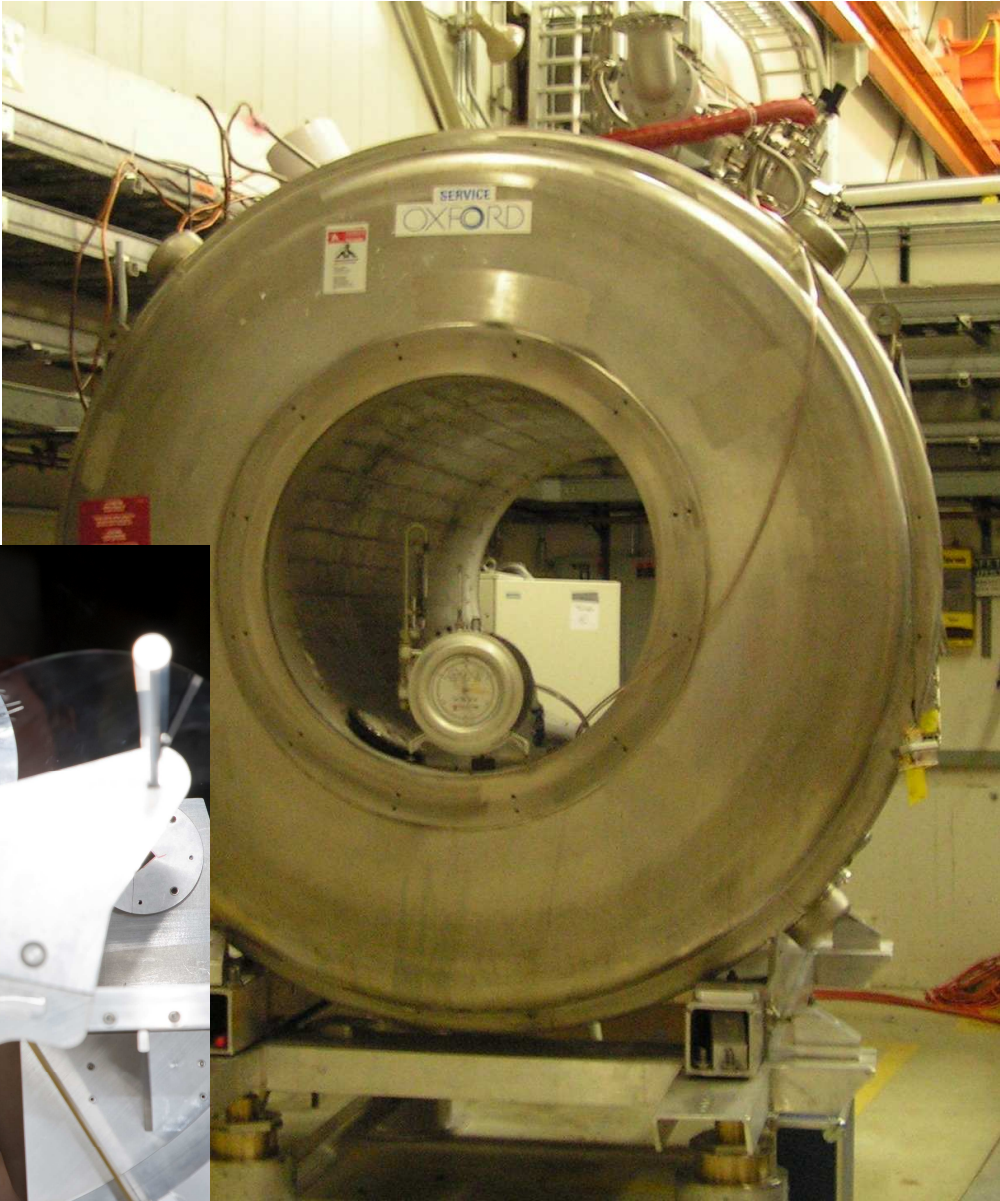
$$= \frac{m}{2} [v_0^2 \cos^2 \theta_{cm} + V_{cm}^2 + 2v_0 V_{cm} \cos \theta_{cm} + v_0^2 \sin^2 \theta_{cm}]$$

$$= E_{cm} - \frac{m}{2} V_{cm}^2 + \frac{m V_{cm} z}{T_{cyc}}$$

$p(^{44}\text{Ti},p')^{44}\text{Ti}$ kinematics



HELIOS magnet at ATLAS



Advantages of Solenoid Spectrometer

- *Automatic particle identification*
- *Excellent center-of-mass energy resolution*
- *High detection efficiency*
- *Simple detector and electronics - few channels*
- *Excellent center-of-mass angle resolution*