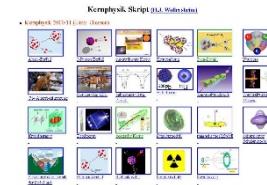


# Outline: Relativistic Coulomb excitation

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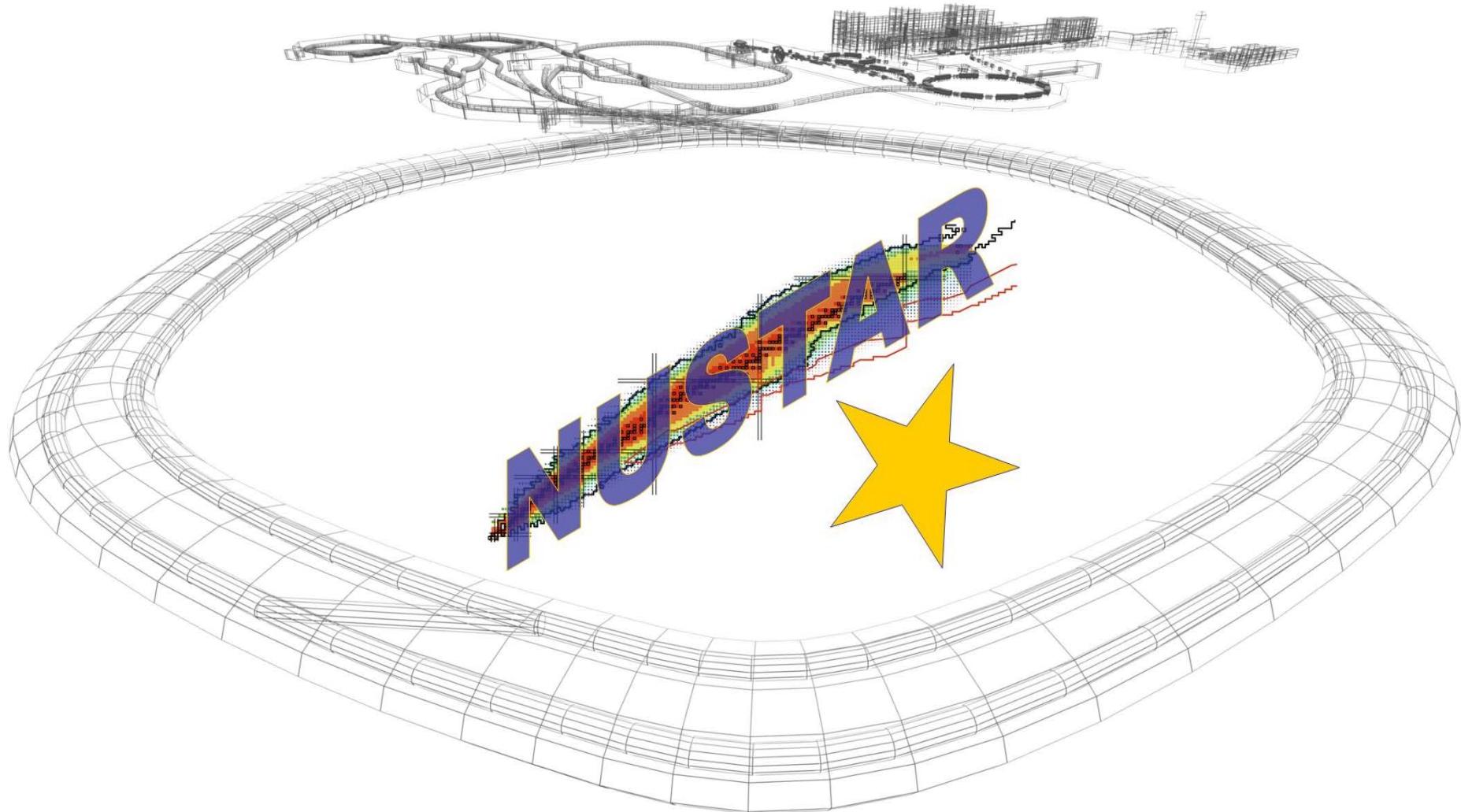
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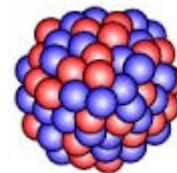
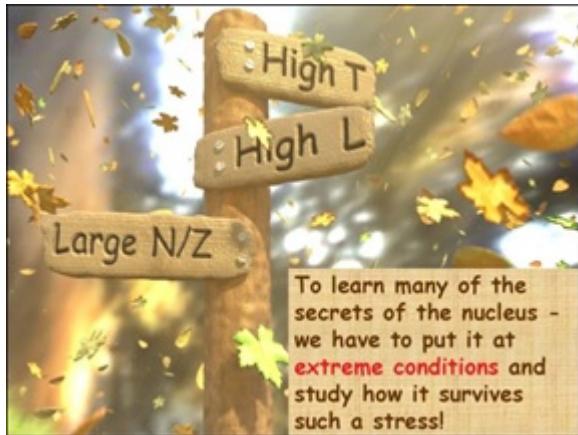
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2. scattering experiments at relativistic energies
3. relativistic Coulomb excitation
4. Doppler shift correction
5. experimental results with **RIBs**

# Physics with exotic nuclei

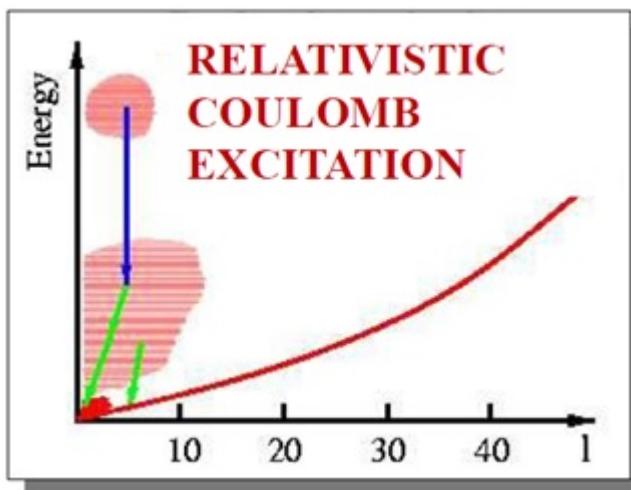


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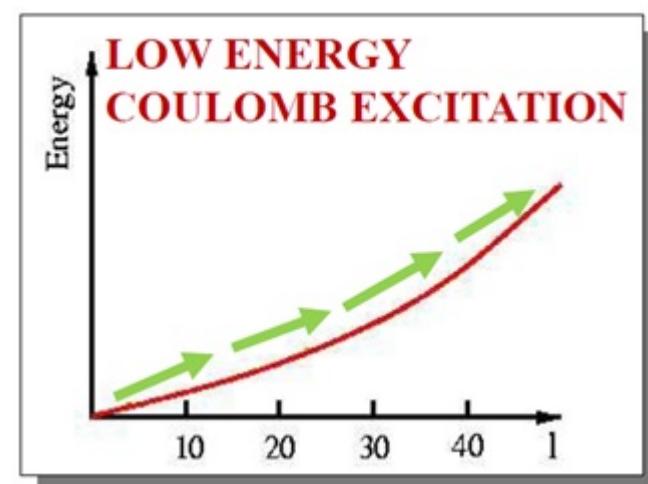
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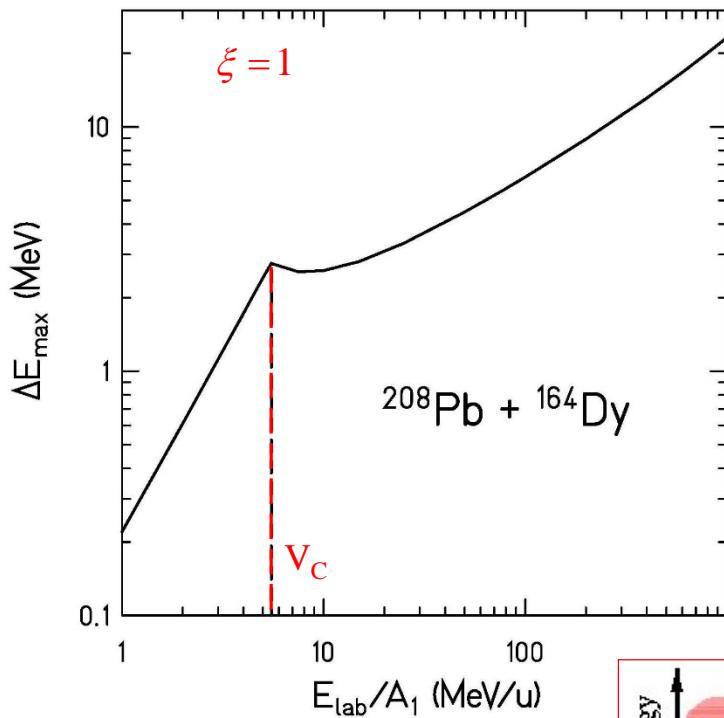
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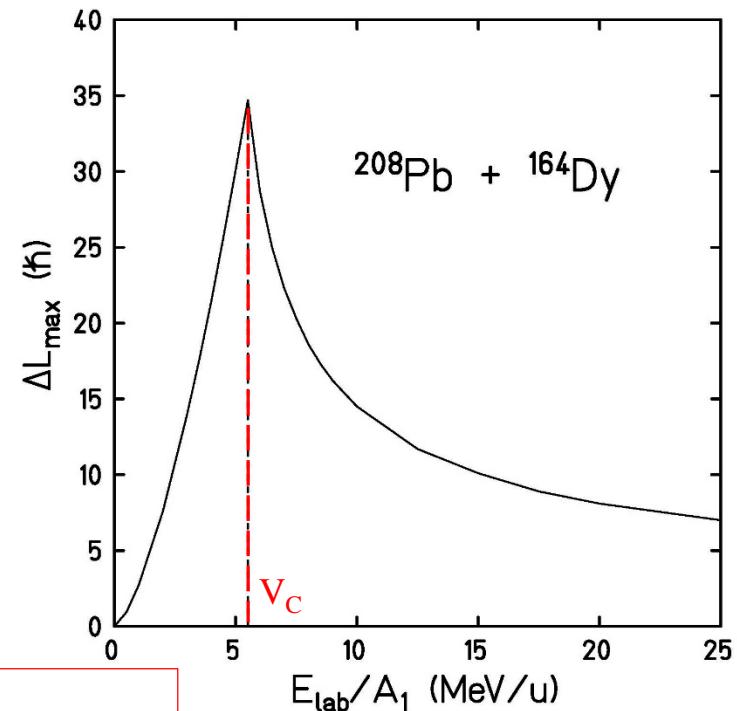


# High-energy Coulomb excitation – energy transfer and angular momentum transfer



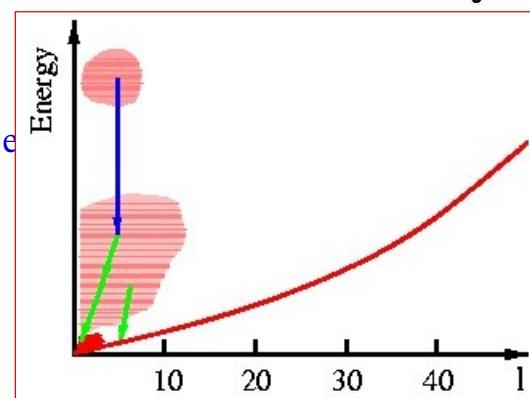
*energy transfer* (for single-step e)

$$\Delta E_{exc} = \hbar \cdot c \cdot \frac{\beta \cdot \gamma}{D - a}$$



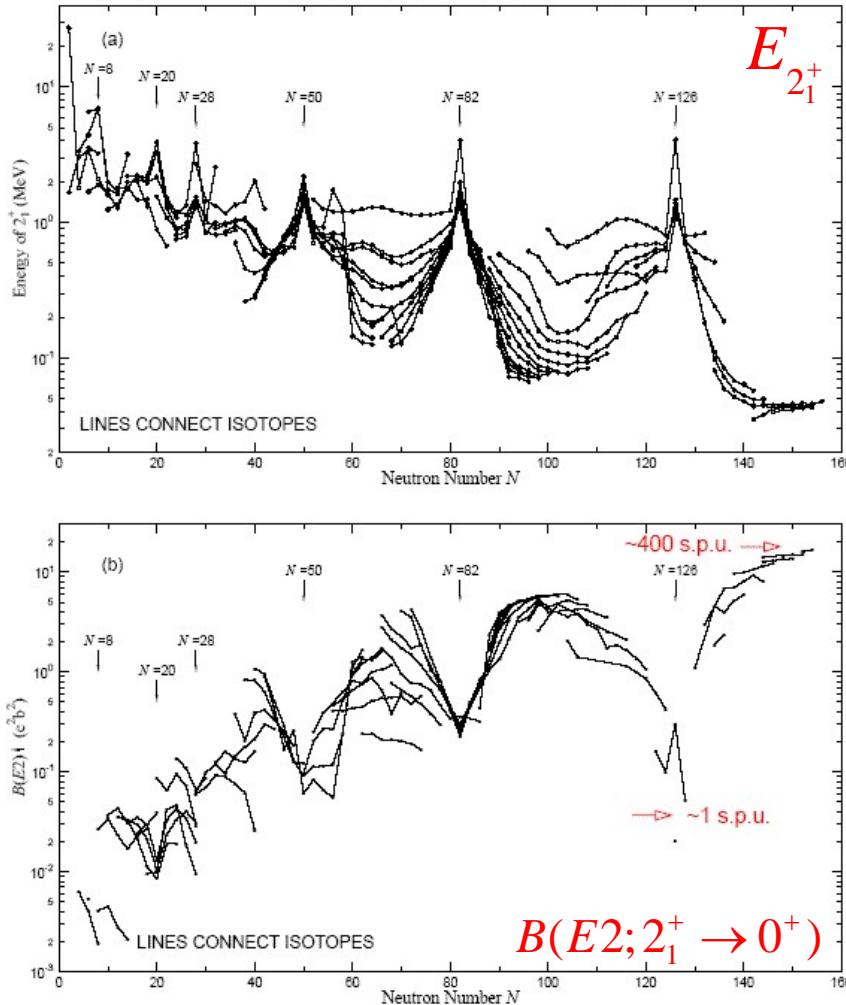
*angular momentum transfer:*

$$\Delta L_{max} \cong \frac{Z_P \cdot e^2 \cdot Q_0}{4 \cdot \hbar \cdot v \cdot a^2} \cdot (1 - \cos\theta_{cm})$$



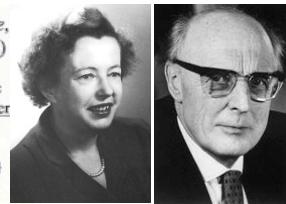
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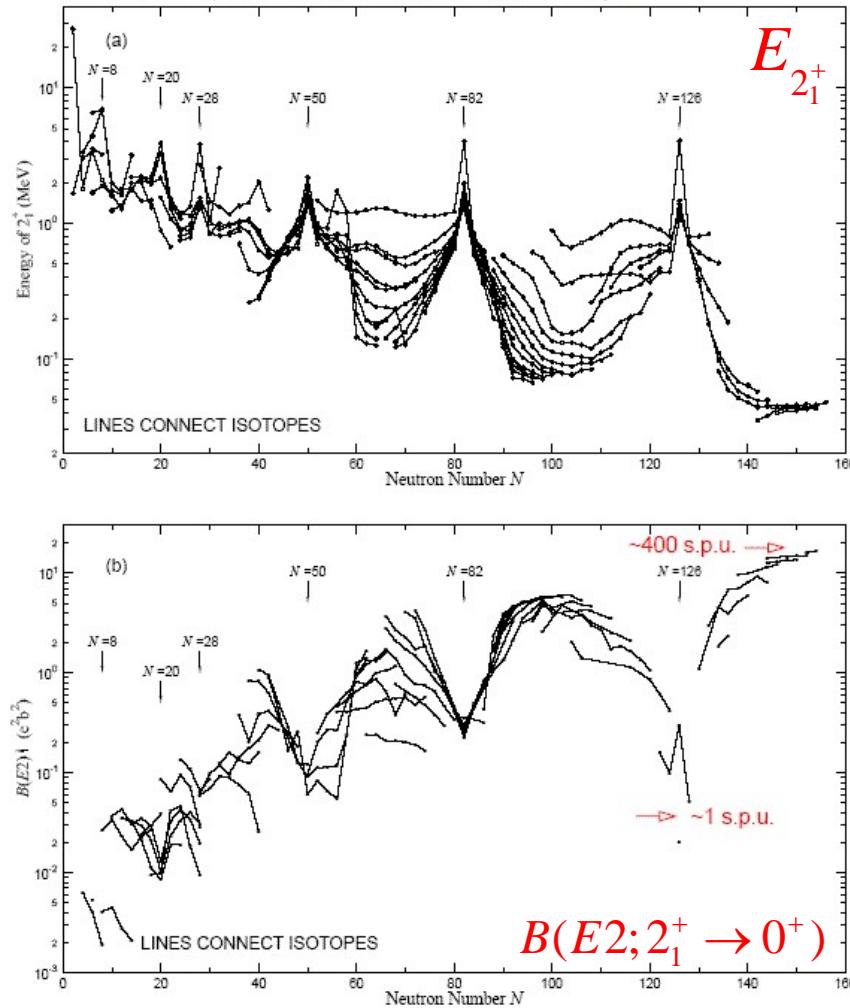
**Table 1 -- Nuclear Shell Structure** (from *Elementary Theory of Nuclear Shell Structure*, Maria Goeppert-Mayer & J. Hans D. Jensen, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1955.)

|   | Angular Momentum<br>( $\hbar\Omega/2\pi$ ) | Spin-Orbit Coupling<br>( $1/2, 3/2, 5/2, 7/2\dots$ )      | Number of Nucleons<br>Shell | Number of Nucleons<br>Total | Magic<br>Number |
|---|--|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| 7 | 1j   | —   | 16                          | [184]                       | {184}           |
| 6 | 4s   | 1j 15/2—<br>3d 3/2—<br>4s 1/2—<br>2g 7/2—                 | 4                           | [168]                       |                 |
| 6 | 3d   | 11 11/2—<br>3d 5/2—<br>2g 9/2—                            | 8                           | [162]                       |                 |
| 6 | 2g   | —<br>3d 5/2—<br>2g 9/2—                                   | 6                           | [142]                       |                 |
| 6 | 1i   | —<br>1i 13/2—<br>3p 1/2—<br>3p 3/2—<br>1h 9/2—            | 10                          | [136]                       |                 |
| 5 | 3p   | —<br>3p 3/2—  | 2                           | [112]                       |                 |
| 5 | 2f   | —<br>2f 5/2—<br>2f 7/2—<br>1h 9/2—                        | 8                           | [106]                       |                 |
| 5 | 1h   | —<br>1h 11/2—<br>3s 1/2—<br>2d 3/2—<br>2d 5/2—<br>1g 7/2— | 12                          | [92]                        |                 |
| 4 | 3s   | —<br>1g 9/2—  | 2                           | [70]                        |                 |
| 4 | 2d   | —<br>2d 5/2—<br>1g 7/2—                                   | 4                           | [68]                        |                 |
| 4 | 1g   | —<br>2p 1/2—<br>1f 5/2—<br>2p 3/2—<br>1f 7/2—             | 6                           | [64]                        |                 |
| 3 | 2p   | —<br>1f 7/2—  | 8                           | [58]                        |                 |
| 3 | 1f   | —<br>1d 3/2—<br>2s 1/2—<br>1d 5/2—                        | 10                          | [50]                        | {50}            |
| 2 | 2s   | —<br>1d 5/2—  | 2                           | [40]                        | {40}            |
| 2 | 1d   | —<br>1f 5/2—<br>2p 3/2—<br>1f 7/2—                        | 4                           | [38]                        |                 |
| 2 | 1d   | —<br>1d 3/2—<br>2s 1/2—<br>1d 5/2—                        | 6                           | [32]                        |                 |
| 1 | 1p   | —<br>1p 1/2—<br>1p 3/2—                                   | 2                           | [28]                        | {28}            |
| 0 | 1s   | —<br>1s 1/2—  | 2                           | [2]                         | {2}             |



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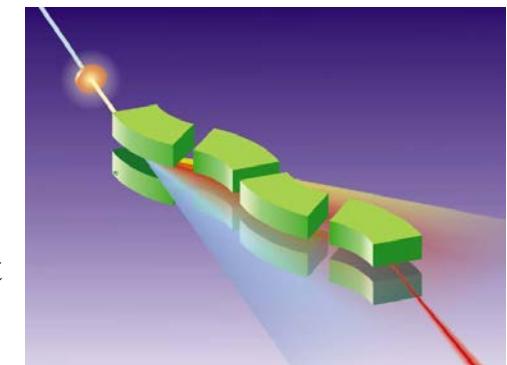
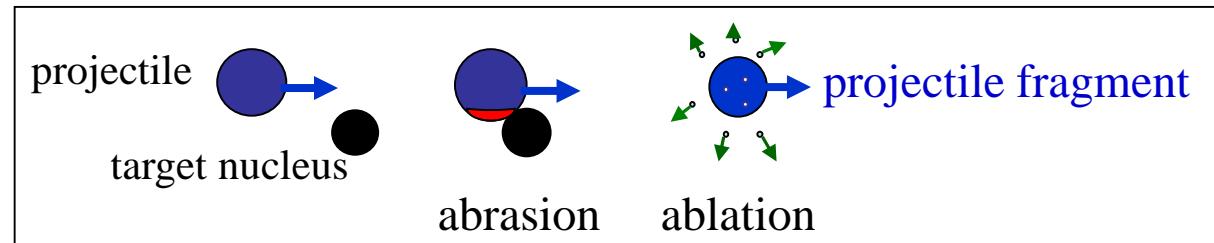
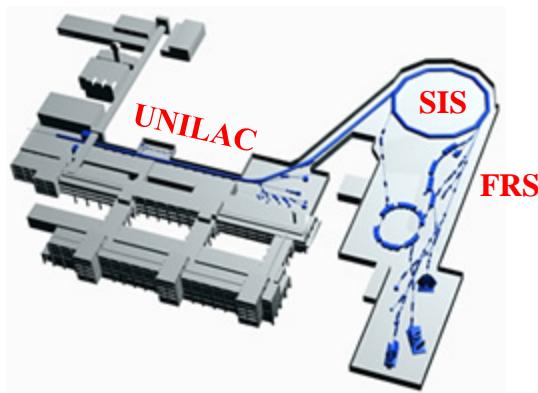
Nuclei with magic numbers  
of neutrons/protons

high energy of  $2_1^+$  state

low  $B(E2; 2_1^+ \rightarrow 0^+)$  values  
transition probability measured in  
single particle units (spu)

If we move away from stability?

# Production, Separation, Identification

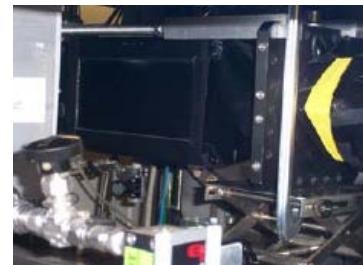


**FR**agment  
**S**eparator

## Standard FRS detectors



TPC-x,y  
position  
@ S2,S4

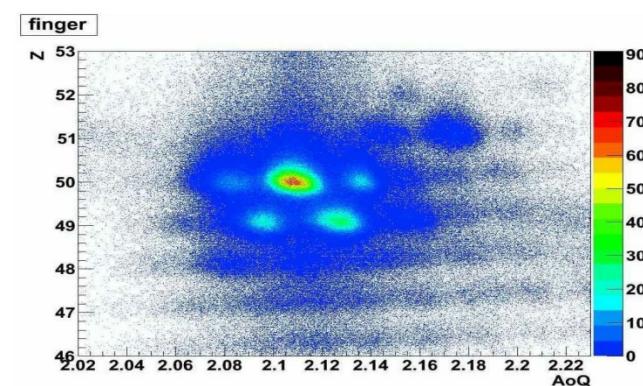
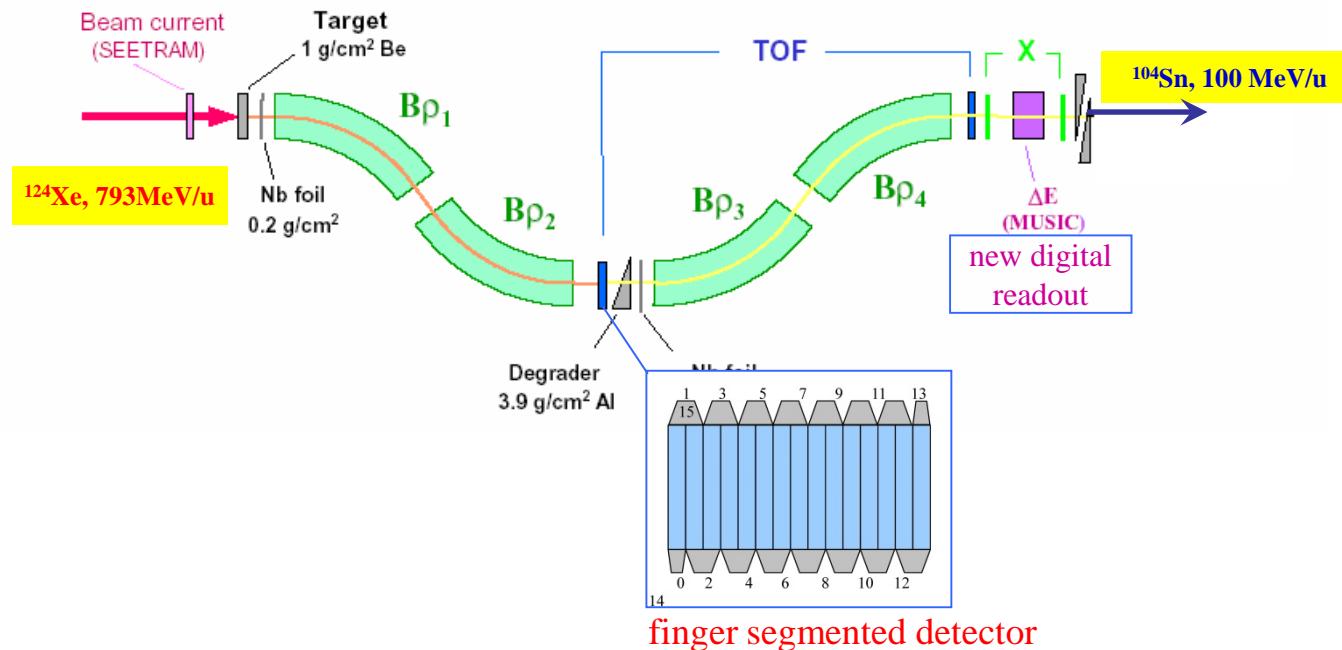


Plastic  
scintillator  
(TOF)  
@ S4



MUSIC  
( $\Delta E$ )  
@ S4

# Scattering experiments at relativistic energies

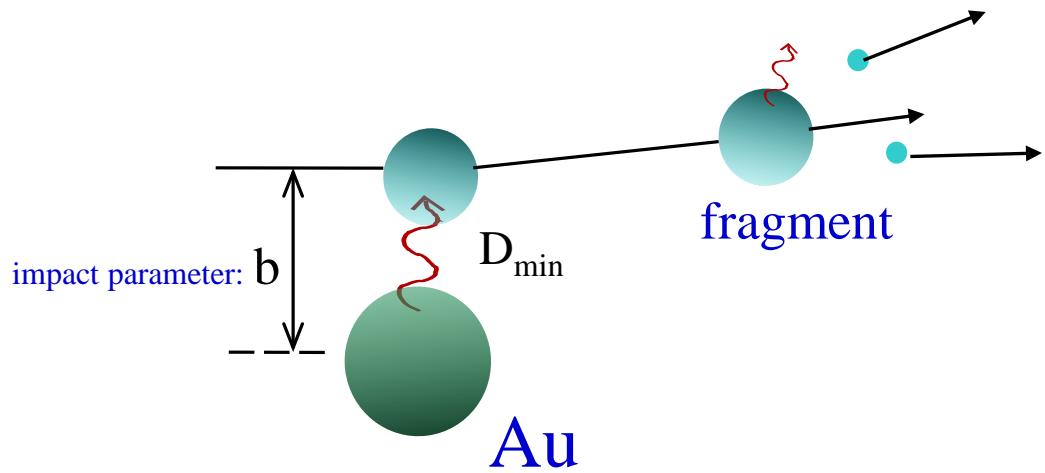


$^{104}\text{Sn}$  fragments  
using  $^{124}\text{Xe}$  at 793 MeV/u

high rate at S2  $\sim 10^6 \text{ s}^{-1}$

- ~2400 % more tracking efficiency
- good A/Q resolving power

# Scattering experiments at relativistic energies

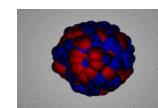
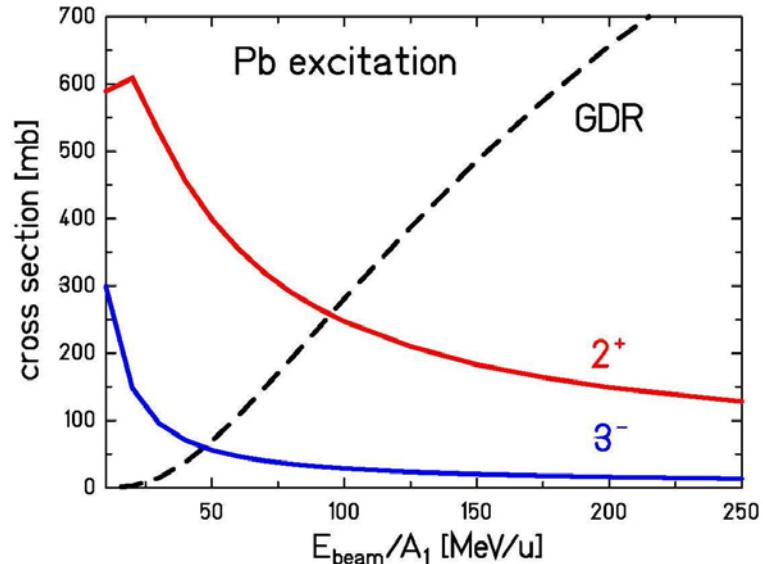


Rutherford scattering only if distance of closest approach  $D_{\min}$  is large compared to nuclear radii + surfaces:

$$D_{\min} > C_P + C_T + 5 \text{ fm}$$

$C_P, C_T$  half-density radii

$$\sigma_{\pi\lambda} \approx \left( \frac{Z_p e^2}{\hbar c} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{e^2 b^{2\lambda-2}} \cdot B(\pi\lambda; 0 \rightarrow \lambda) \cdot \begin{cases} (\lambda-1)^{-1} & \text{for } \lambda \geq 2 \\ 2 \ln(b_a/b) & \text{for } \lambda = 1 \end{cases}$$



$$E^* \approx 13.3 \text{ MeV}$$

$$B(E1; 0 \rightarrow 1^-) \approx 0.55 e^2 b$$



$$E^* = 4.086 \text{ MeV}$$

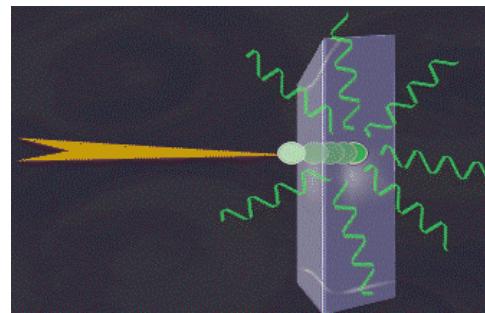
$$B(E2; 0 \rightarrow 2^+) = 9 \text{ Wu}$$



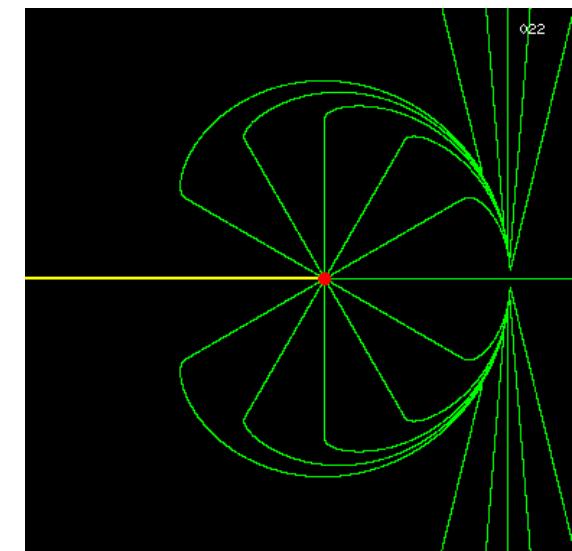
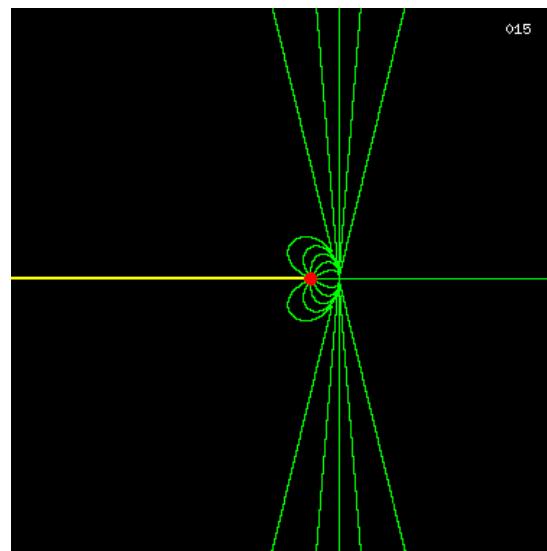
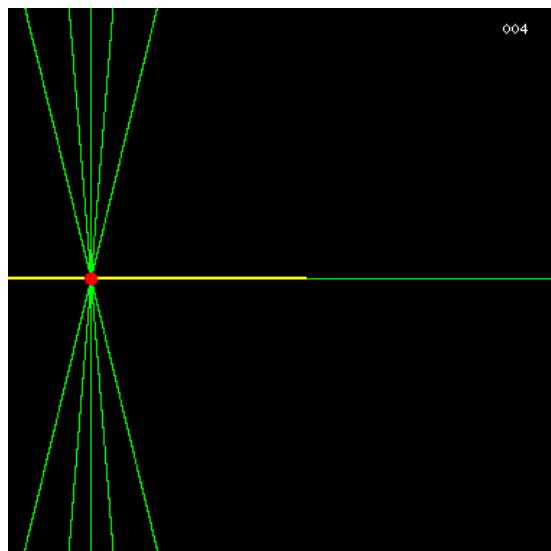
$$E^* = 2.615 \text{ MeV}$$

$$B(E3; 0 \rightarrow 3^-) = 34 \text{ Wu}$$

# Bremsstrahlung



slowing down of a  
moving point-charge



electric field lines ( $v/c=0.99$ )

# Atomic background radiation

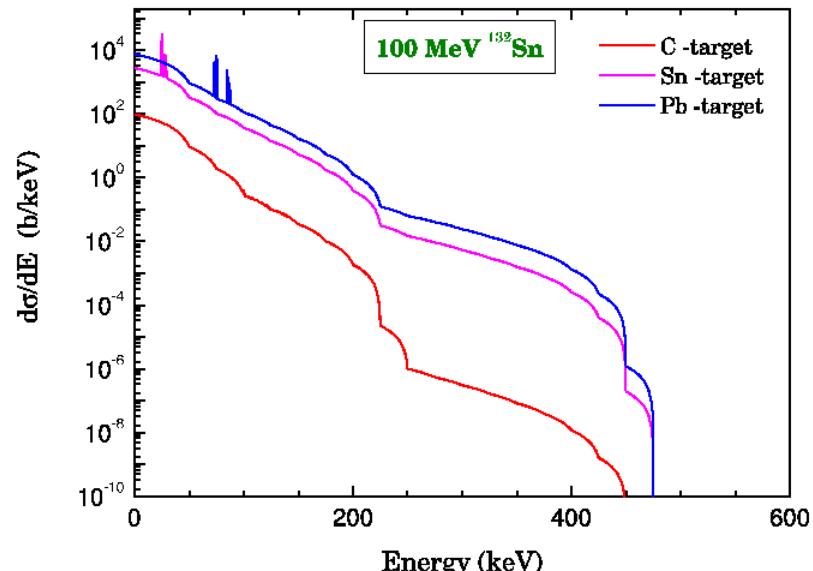
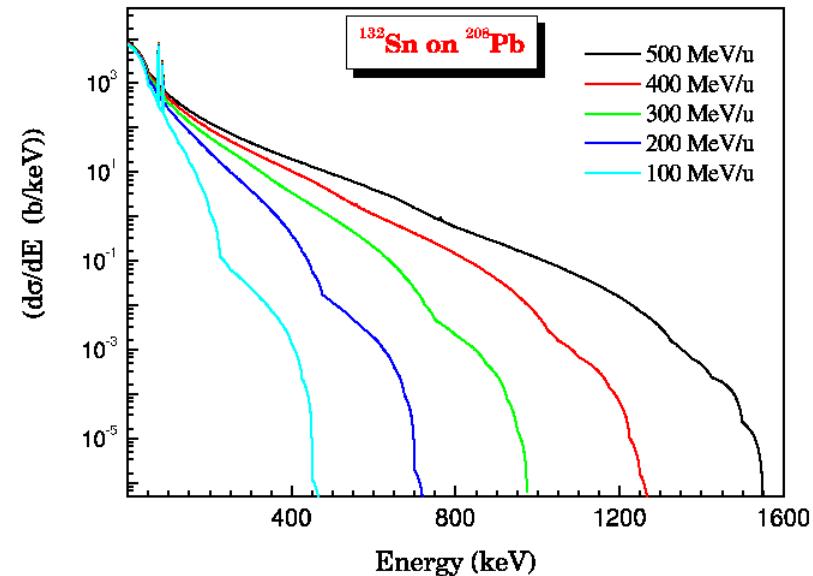
- Radiative electron capture (REC)  
capture of target electrons into  
bound states of the projectile:

$$\sigma \sim Z_p^2 \cdot Z_t$$

- Primary Bremsstrahlung (PB)  
capture of target electrons into  
continuum states of the projectile:

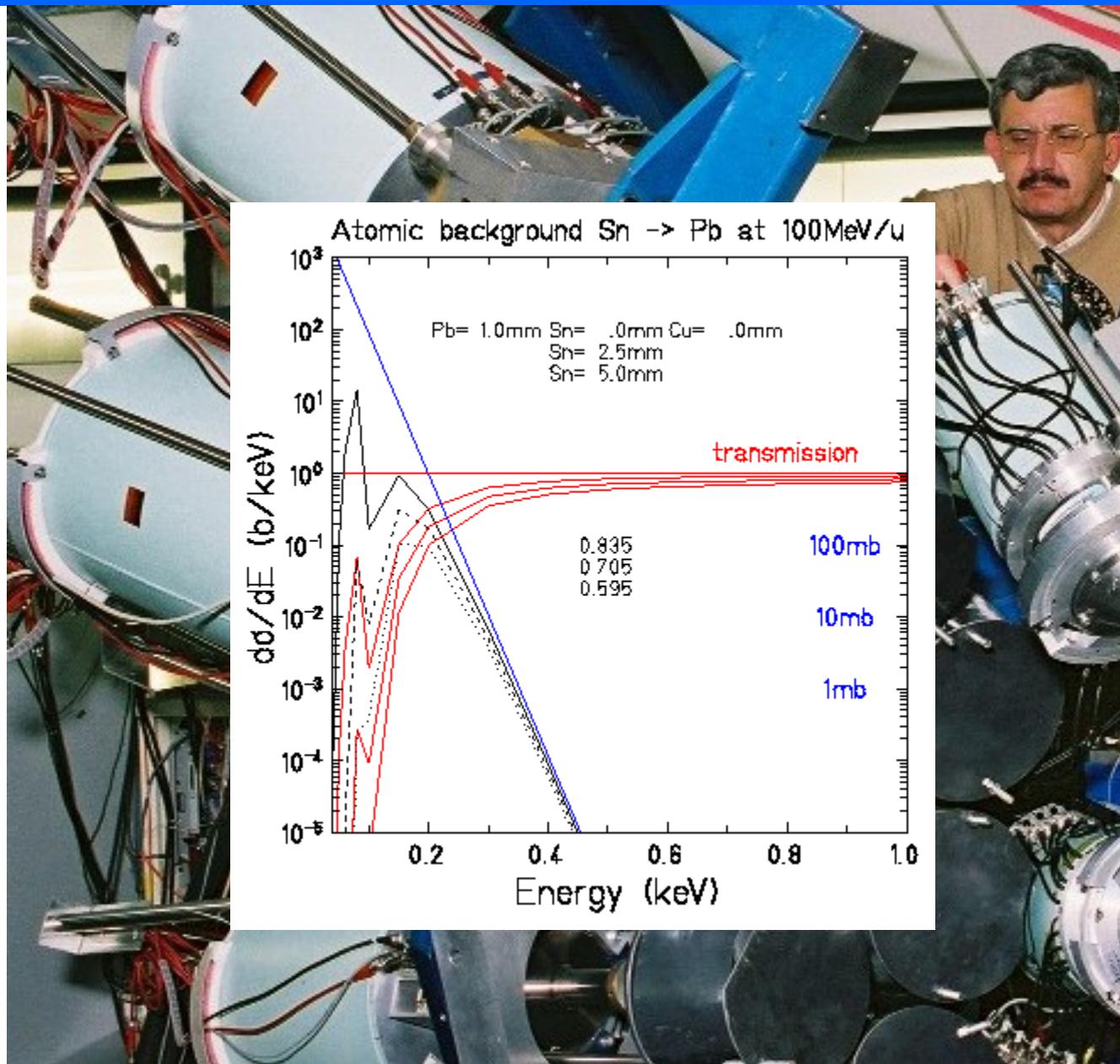
$$\sigma \sim Z_p^2 \cdot Z_t$$

- Secondary Bremsstrahlung (SB)  
Stopping of high energy electrons  
in the target:  $\sigma \sim Z_p^2 \cdot Z_t^2$

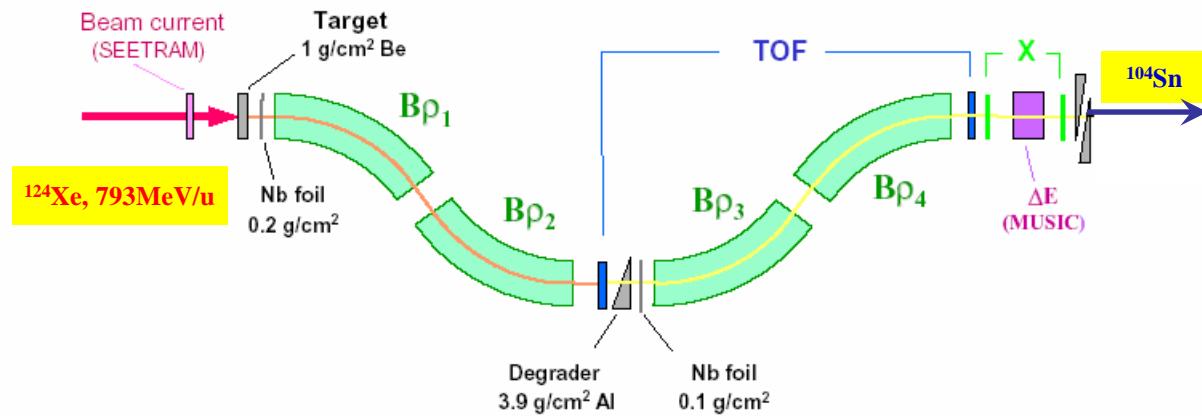


Bremsstrahlung: slowing down of a moving point-charge

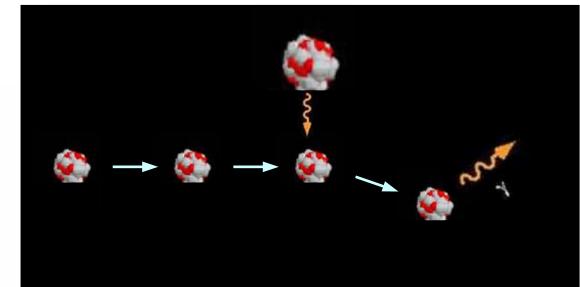
# Suppression of atomic background radiation Pb & Sn absorbers



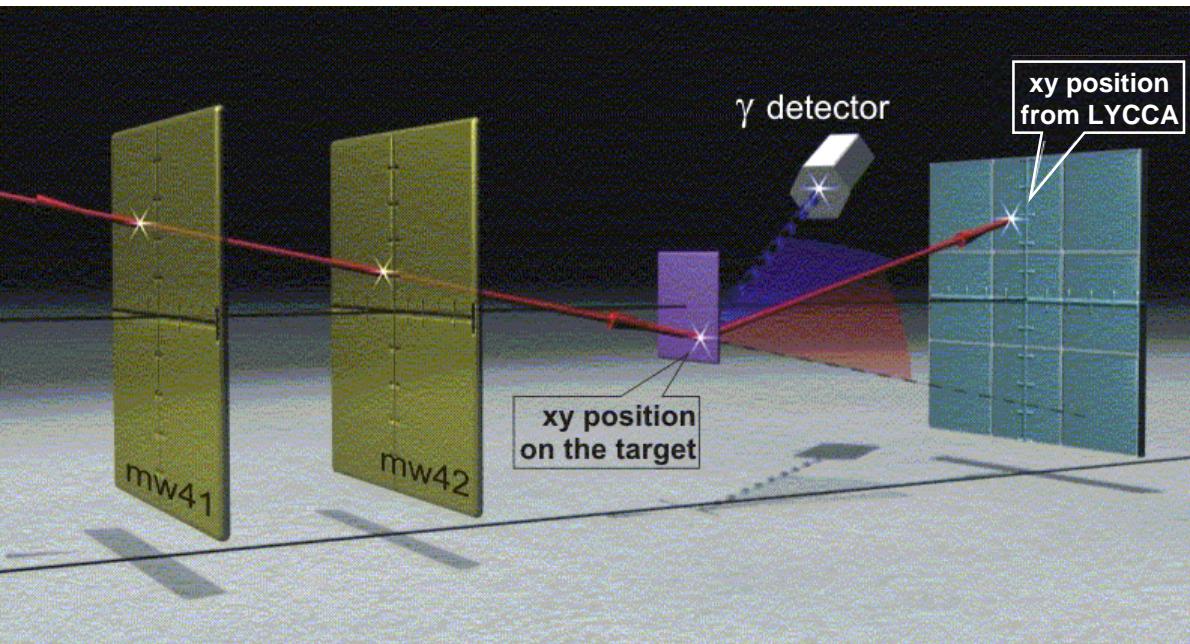
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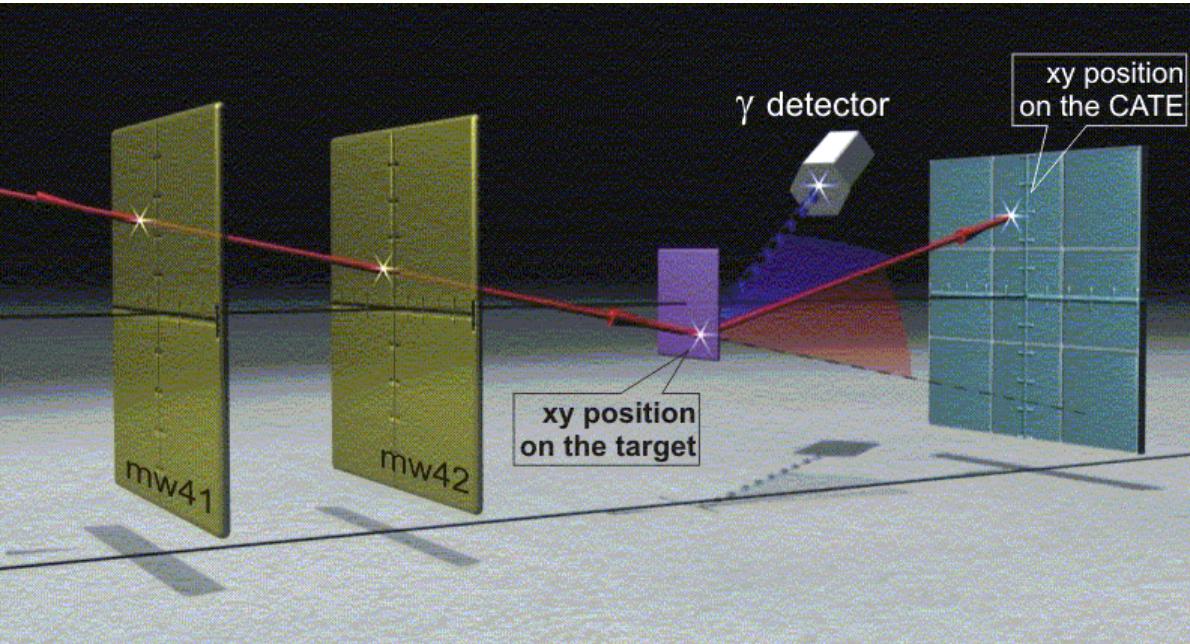
$^{197}\text{Au}$ -target



relativistic Coulomb excitation



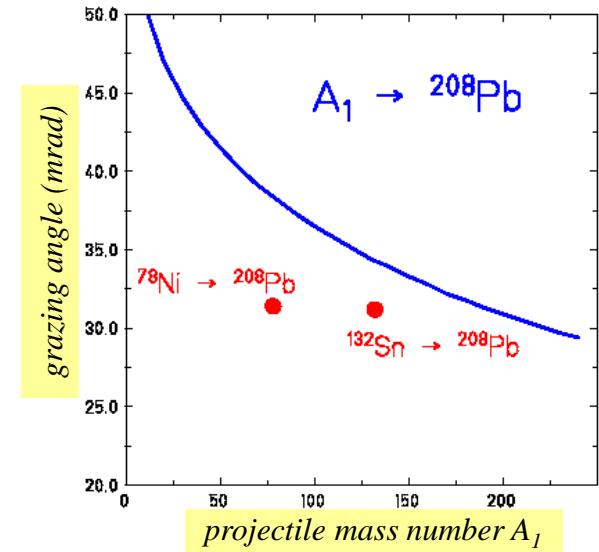
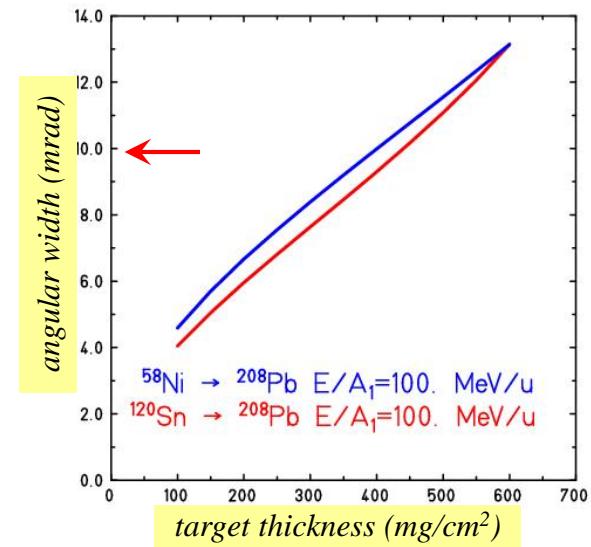
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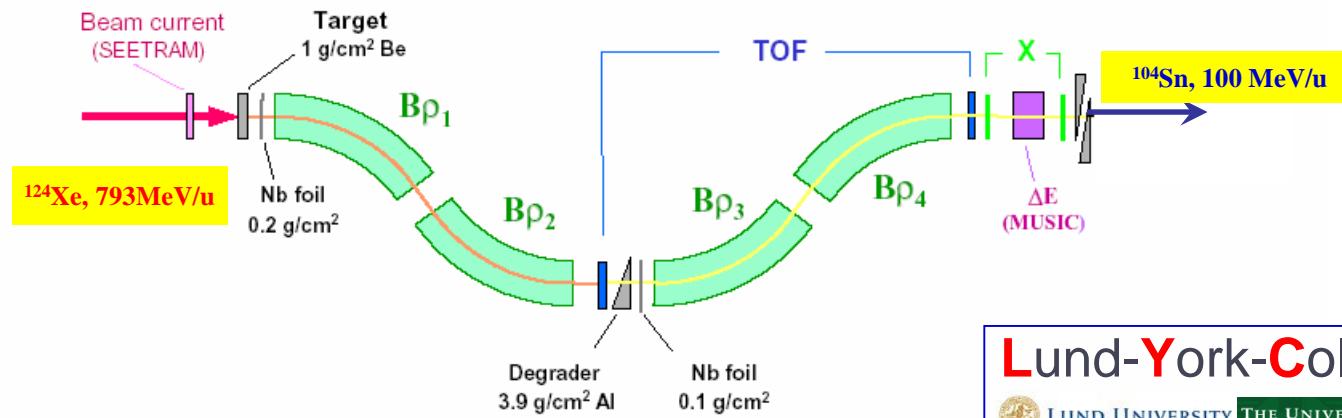
*Coulomb excitation:*  $\vartheta_1^{lab} < \vartheta_{grazing}$

$$\vartheta_1^{lab} = \frac{2 \cdot Z_1 \cdot Z_2 \cdot e^2}{m_0 \cdot c^2 \cdot \gamma \cdot \beta^2 \cdot b} = \frac{2.88 \cdot Z_1 \cdot Z_2 \cdot [931.5 + (T/A_1)]}{A_1 \cdot [(T/A_1)^2 + 1863 \cdot (T/A_1)]} \cdot \frac{1}{b} \text{ [rad]}$$

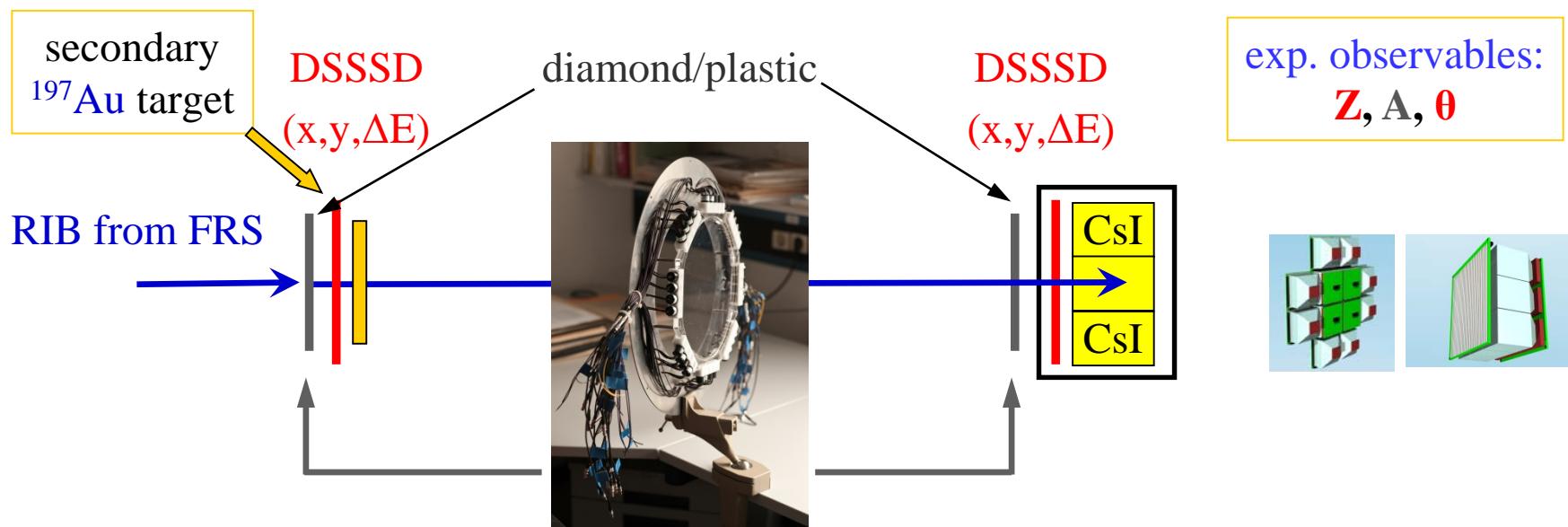
$$b \approx R_{int} = C_1 + C_2 + 4.49 - \frac{C_1 + C_2}{6.35} \text{ [fm]}$$



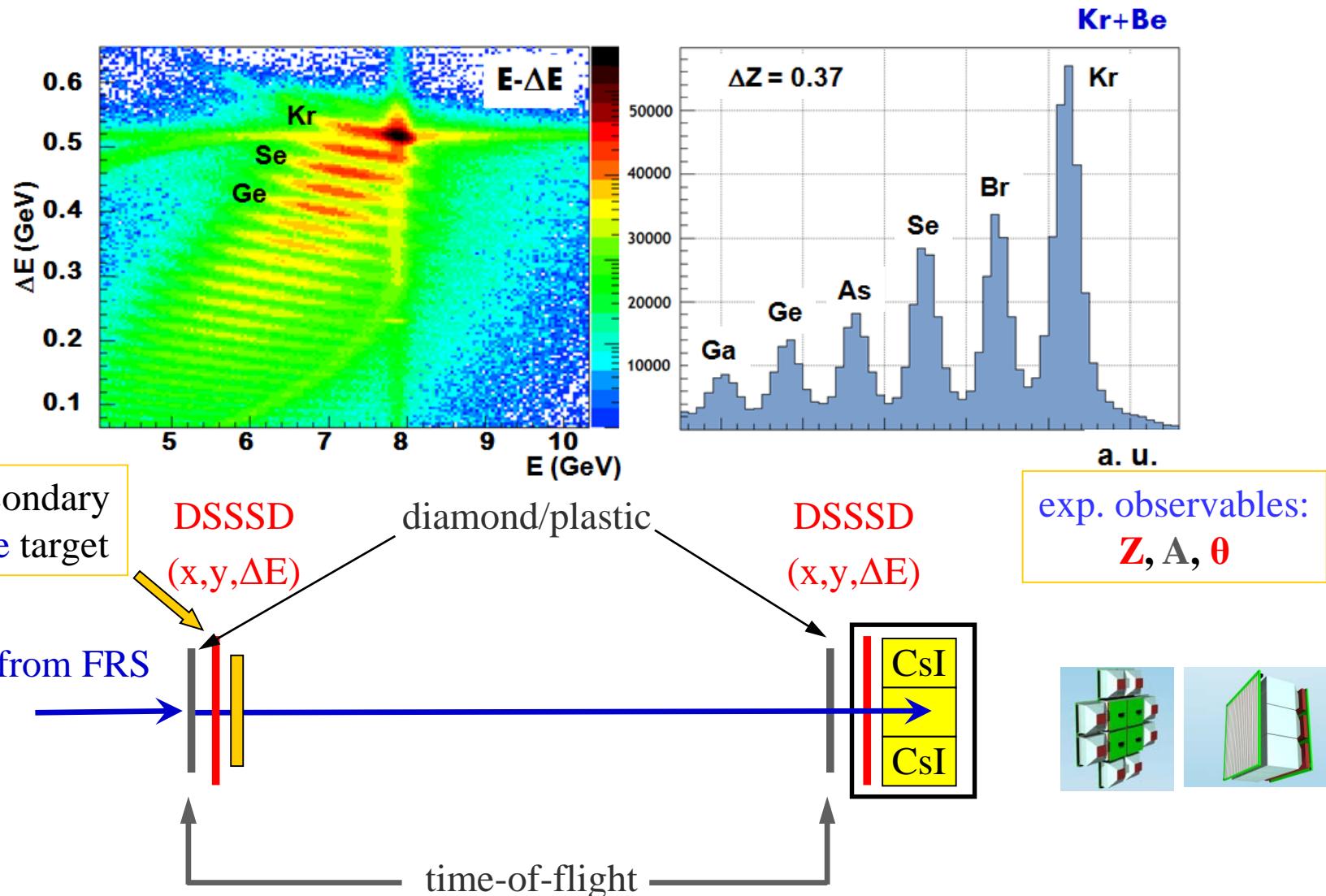
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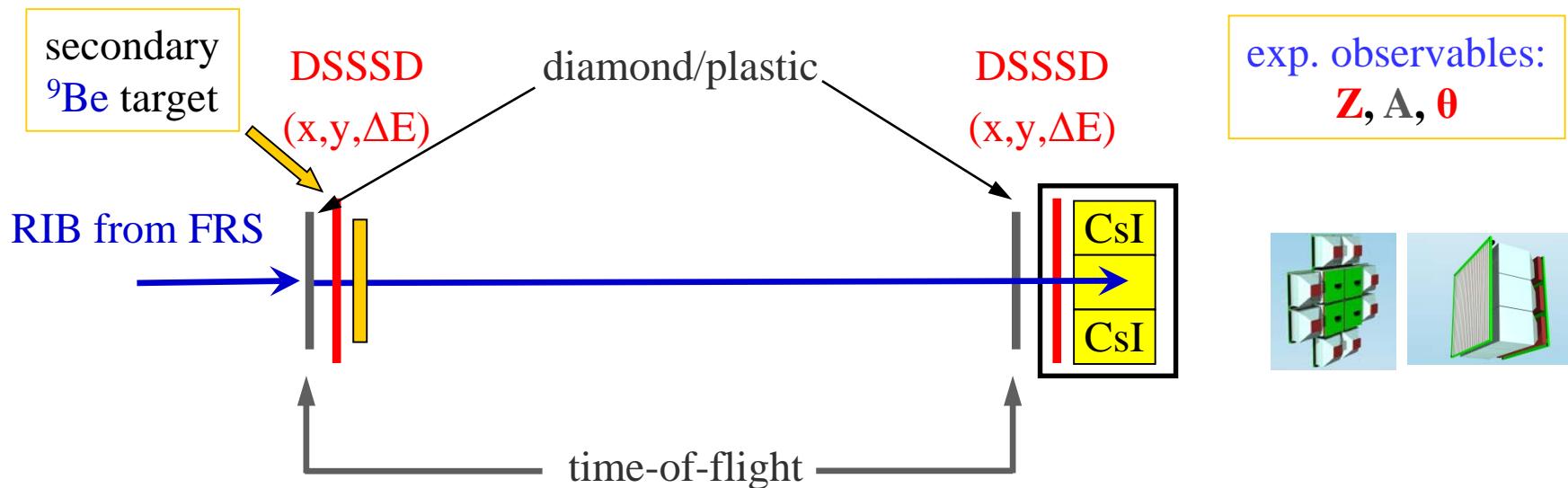
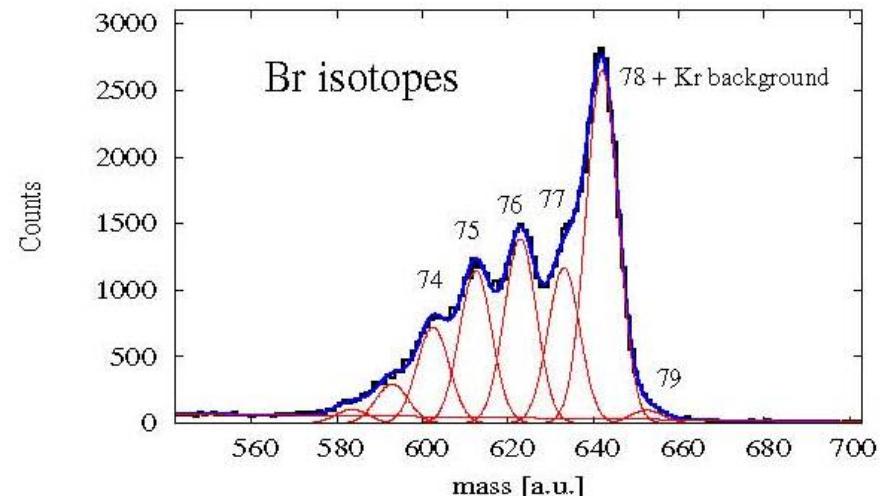
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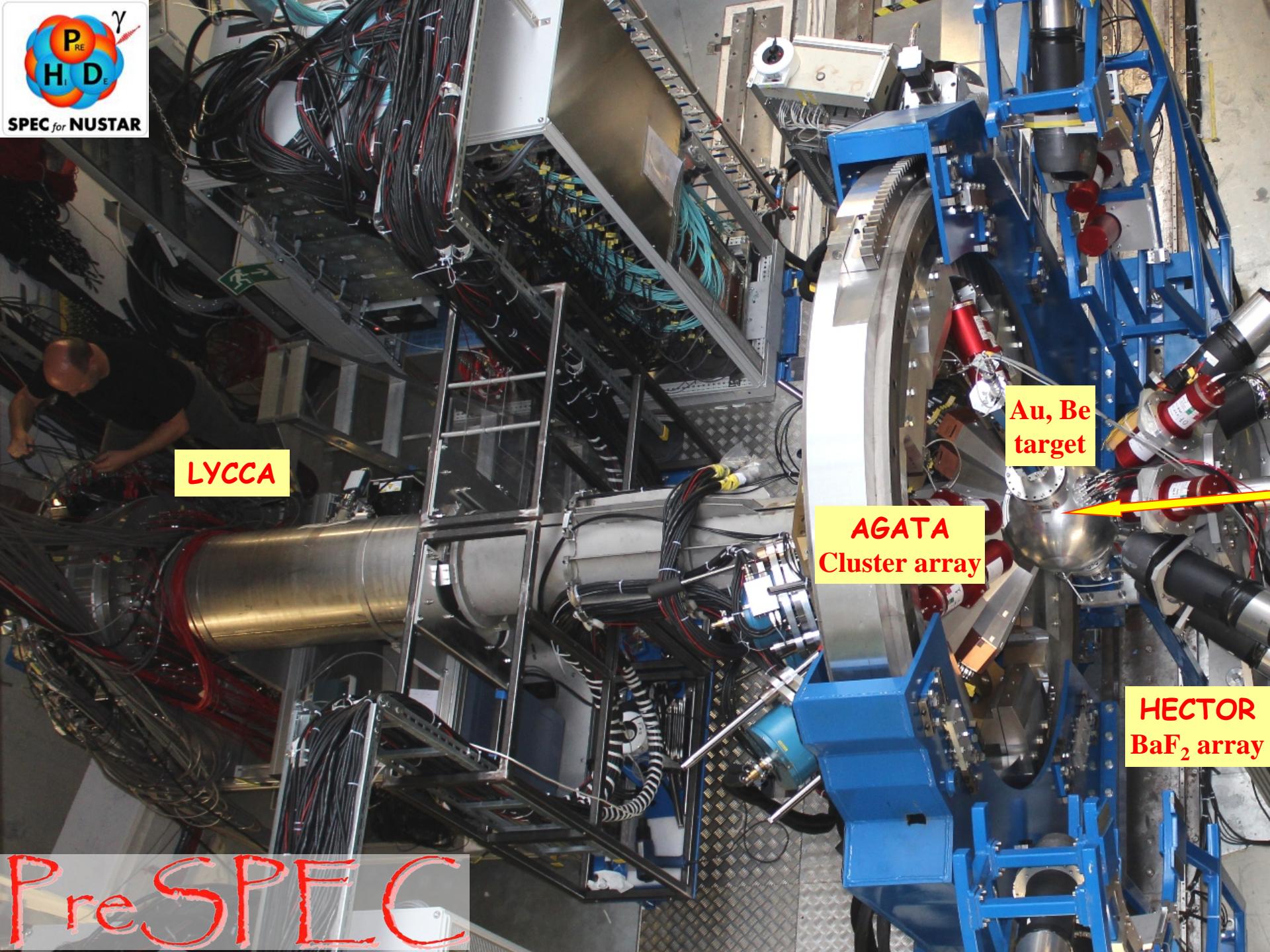
$$m \cdot c^2 = \frac{E_{kin}}{\gamma - 1}$$

with  $E_{kin} = E_{CsI} + \Delta E_{DSSSD}$

and  $\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (\frac{v}{c})^2}}$

with v from LYCCA-ToF





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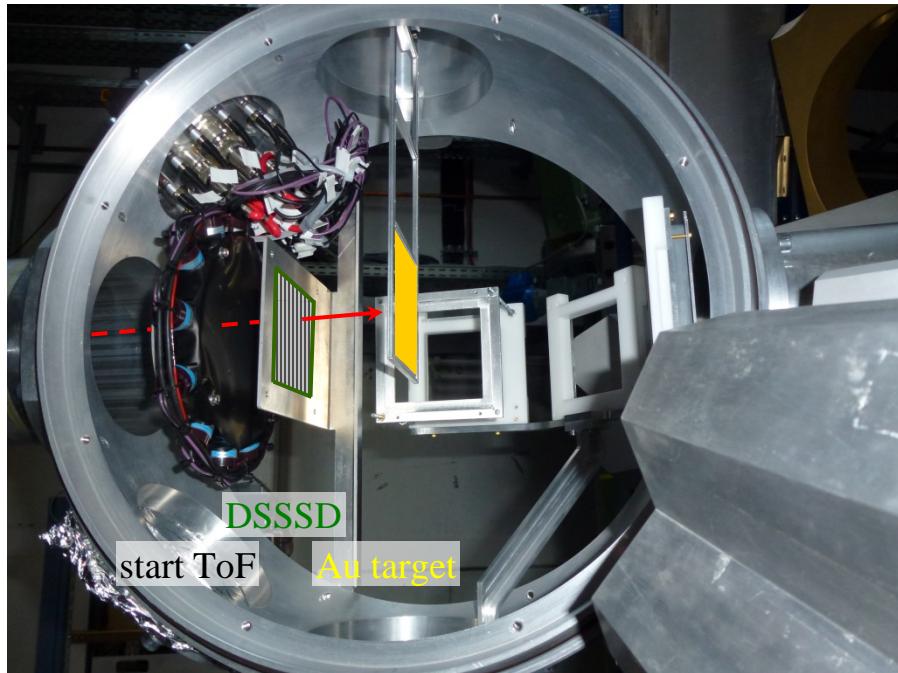


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*PreSPEC target chamber  
variable target position (13cm, 23cm)*

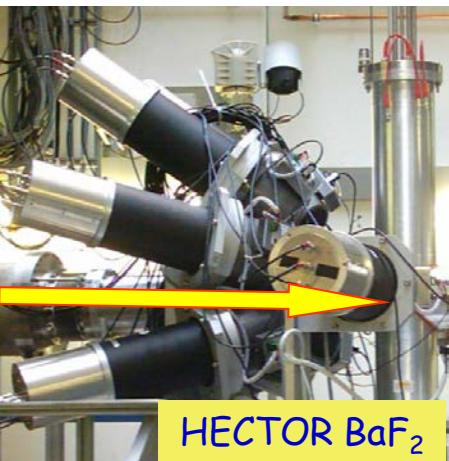


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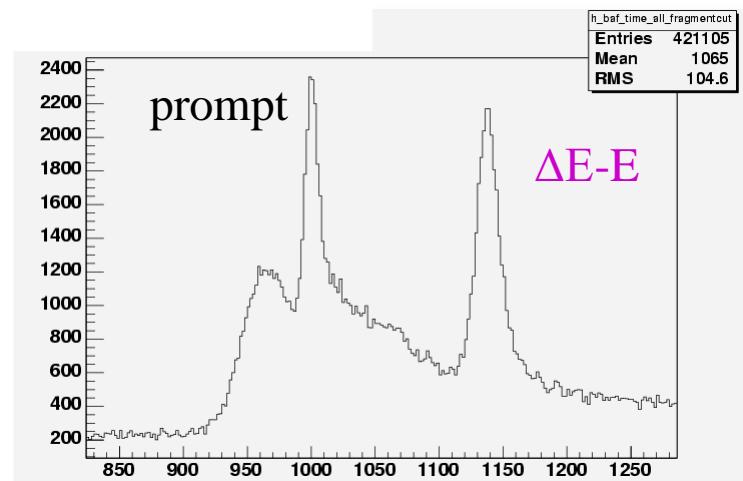
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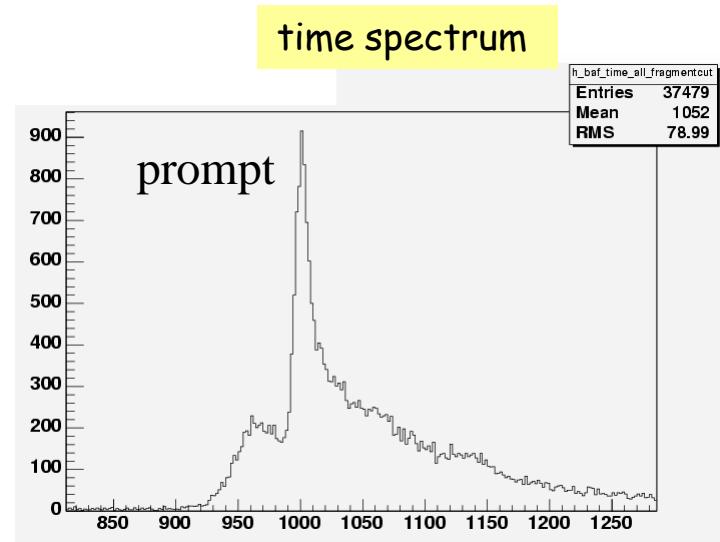
**$^{37}\text{Ca}$  beam**  
at 196 MeV/u

**Coulomb excitation:**  
A/Q -  $^{37}\text{Ca}$   
all Ca detected in  $\Delta E\text{-}E$

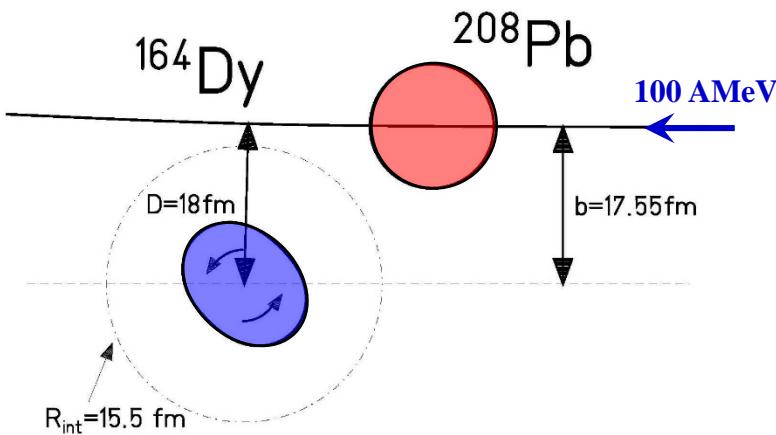
1% interaction target  
most  $\gamma$ -rays from CATE or LYCCA



**Fragmentation:**  
A/Q -  $^{37}\text{Ca}$   
K detected (mainly  $^{36}\text{K}$ )

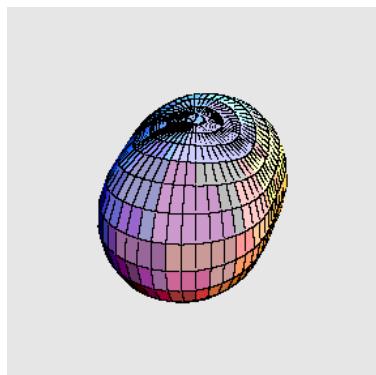


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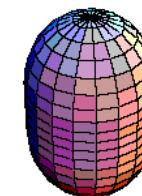


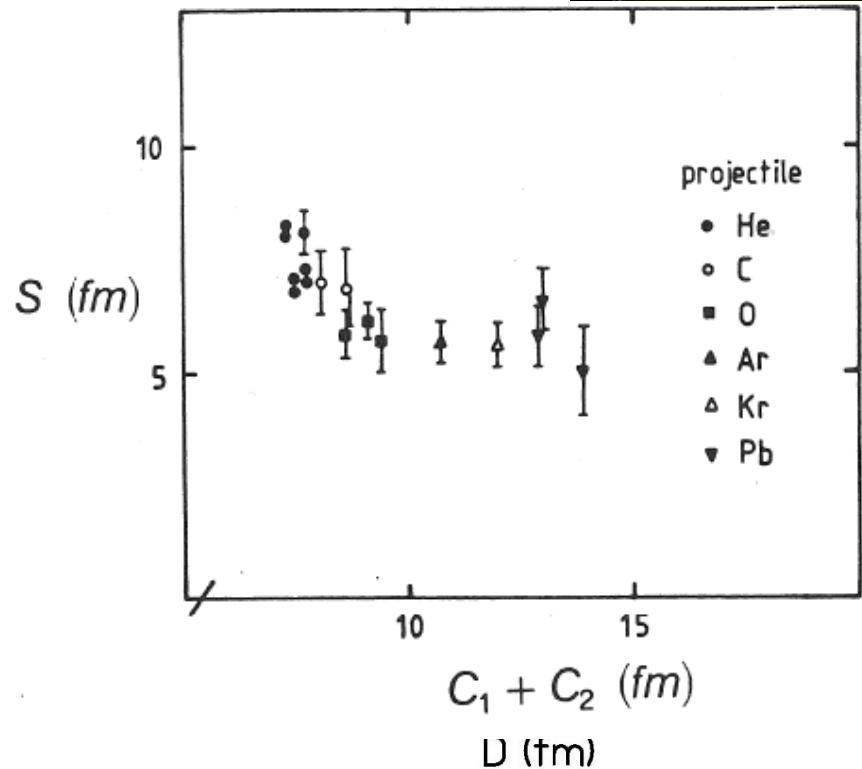
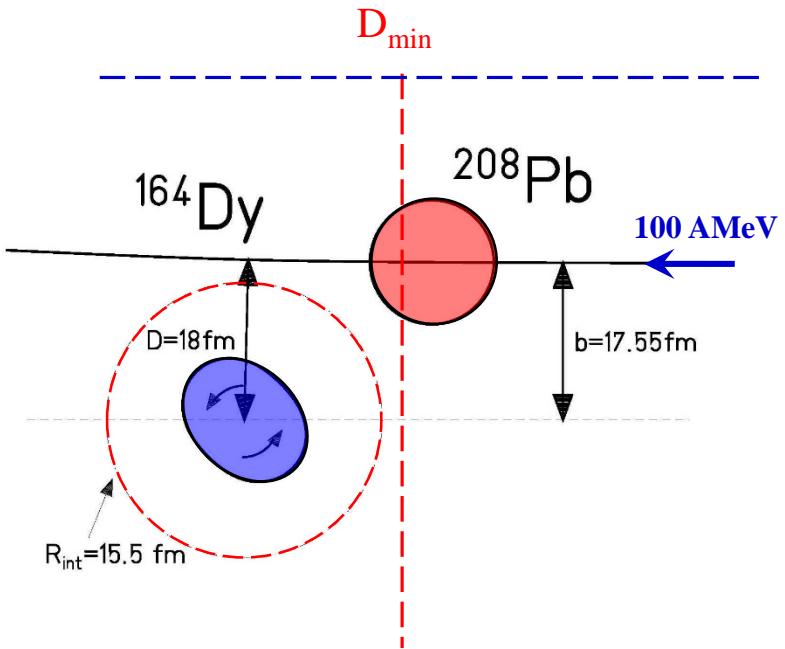
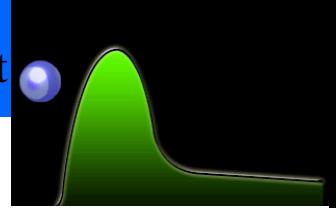
Electromagnetic interaction acting between two colliding nuclei.

- Inelastic scattering: kinetic energy is transferred into nuclear excitation energy
- Monopole-multipole interaction
- Target and projectile excitation possible



Excitation probability  
(or inelastic cross section) is a  
**measure of the collectivity** of  
the nuclear state of interest





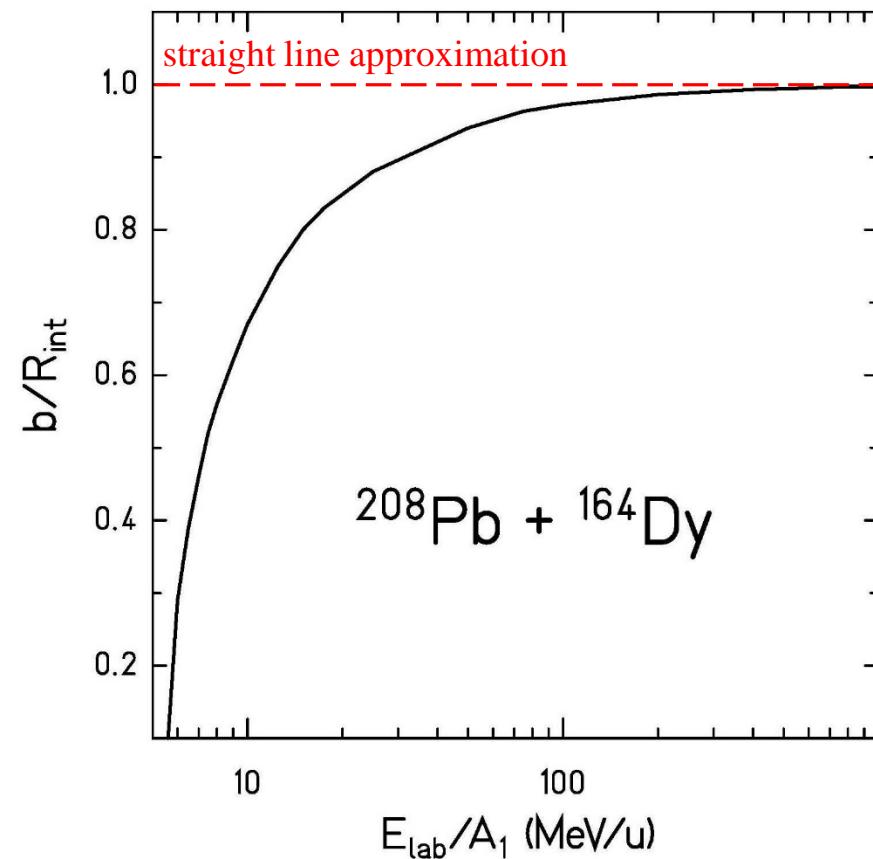
Rutherford scattering only if  $D_{\text{min}}$  is large compared to nuclear radii + surfaces:

$$D_{\text{min}} > C_P + C_T + 5 \text{ fm}$$

$C_P, C_T$  half-density radii

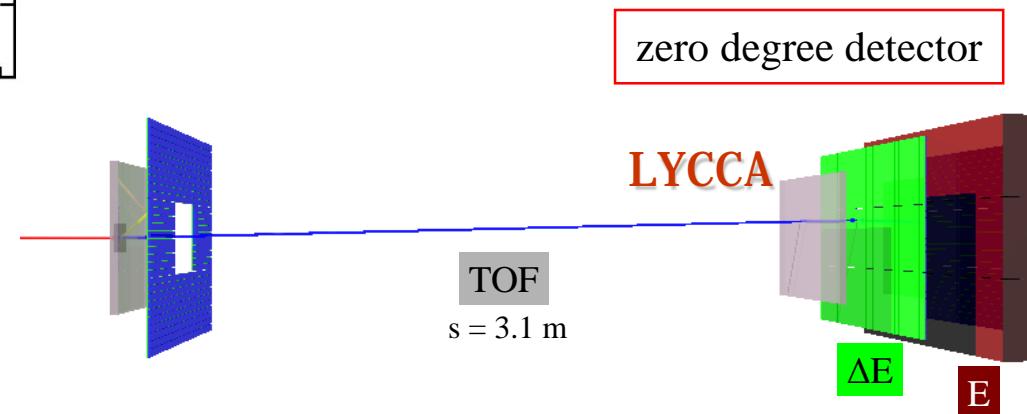
- choose adequate beam energy ( $D > D_{\text{min}}$  for all  $\theta$ )  
low-energy Coulomb excitation
- limit scattering angle, i.e. select impact parameter  $b > D_{\text{min}}$   
high-energy Coulomb excitation

# High-energy Coulomb excitation – straight line approximation



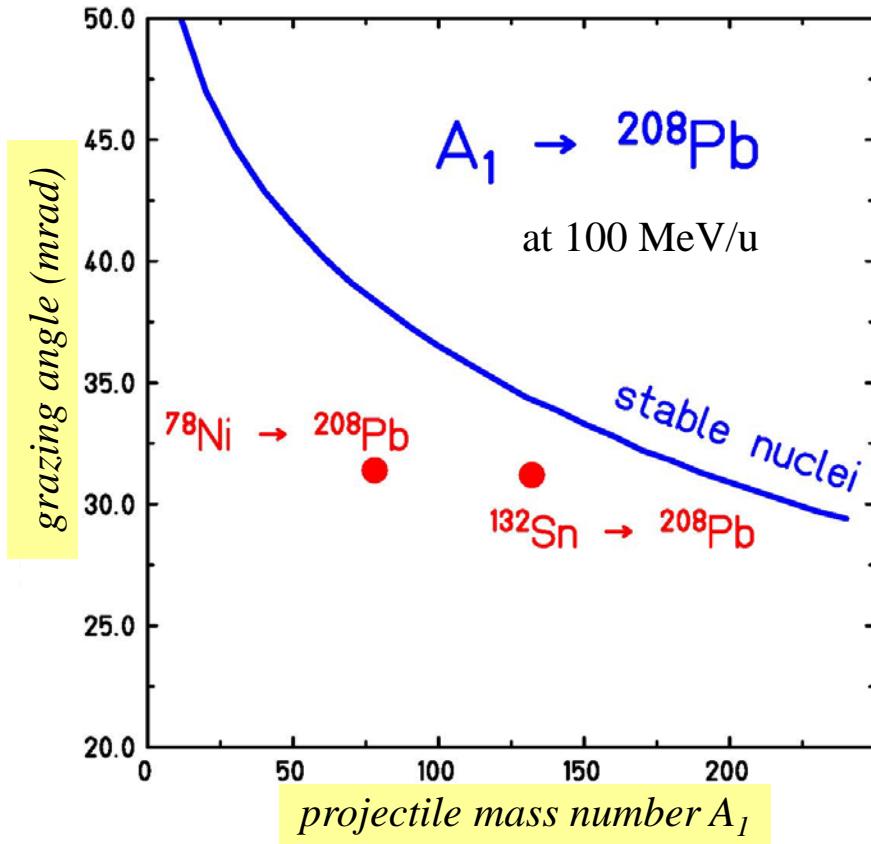
- distance of closest approach:  $D(\theta_{\text{cm}}) = \frac{a}{\gamma} \cdot \left[ 1 + \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{\theta_{\text{cm}}}{2}\right) \right]$
- impact parameter:
- straight line for large  $E_{\text{cm}}$ :  $b = D$

$$b = \frac{a}{\gamma} \sqrt{D^2 \cot^2 \left( \frac{\theta_{\text{cm}}}{2} \right) \frac{Z_T e^2}{m_0 c^2 \beta^2 \gamma} \cdot D}$$



Lund York Cologne CALorimeter

# High-energy Coulomb excitation – grazing angle and angular coverage of LYCCA



➤ distance of closest approach:  $D(\theta_{cm}) = \frac{a}{\gamma} \cdot \left[ 1 + \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{\theta_{cm}}{2} \right) \right]$

For nonrelativistic projectiles:

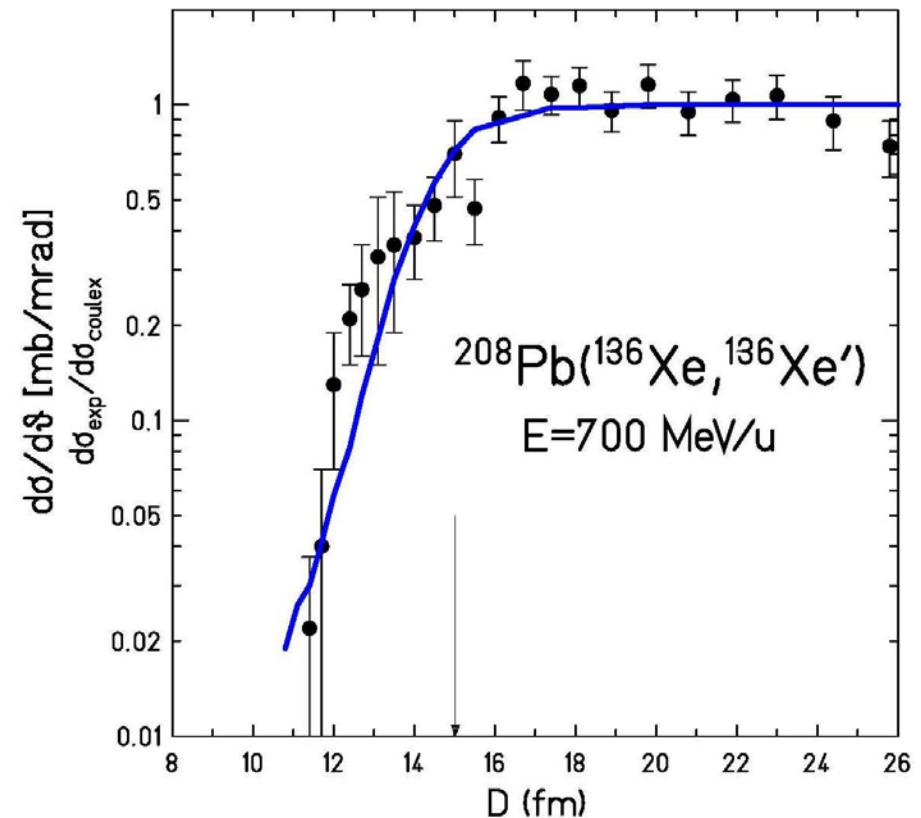
$$2 \cdot \sin \left( \frac{\theta_{1/4}}{2} \right) = \frac{a}{R_{int} - a} \quad \text{with} \quad a = \frac{Z_P Z_T e^2}{m_0 c^2 \beta^2 \gamma}$$

For relativistic projectiles ( $\theta_{cm} \approx \vartheta_{lab}$ ):

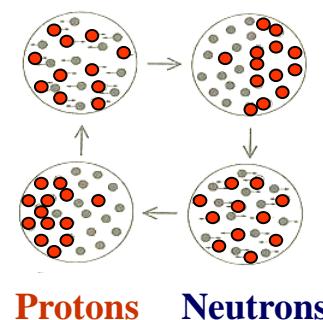
$$\vartheta_{1/4} = \frac{2 \cdot Z_P Z_T e^2}{m_0 c^2 \beta^2 \gamma} \cdot \frac{1}{R_{int}}$$

Coulomb excitation:  $\vartheta_1^{lab} < \vartheta_{1/4}$

# High-energy Coulomb excitation – grazing angle

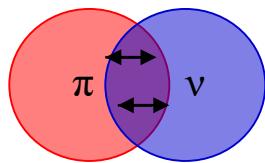


${}^{136}\text{Xe}$  on  ${}^{208}\text{Pb}$  at 700 MeV/u  
excitation of giant dipole resonance  
 $R_{\text{int}} = 15.0 \text{ fm} \rightarrow \vartheta_{1/4} = 5.7 \text{ mrad}$



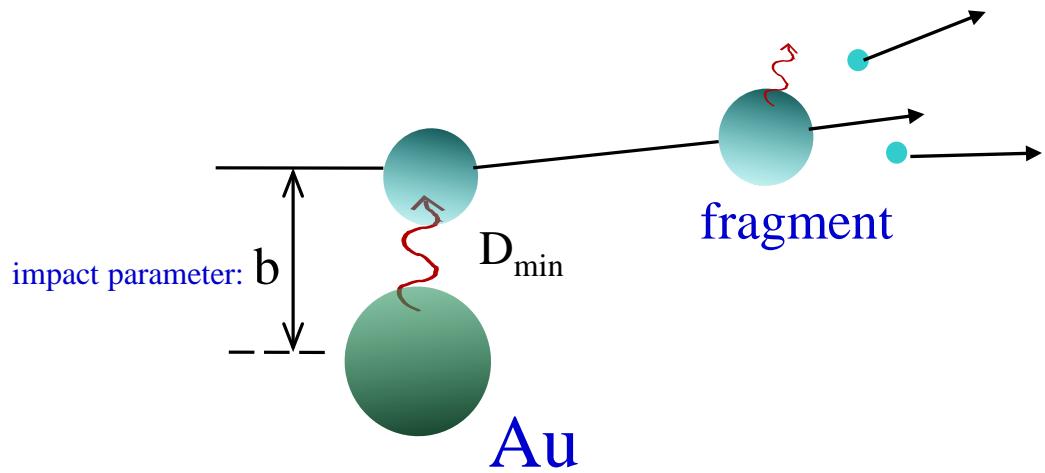
Protons      Neutrons

For relativistic projectiles ( $\theta_{cm} \approx \vartheta_{lab}$ ):



$$D = \frac{2 \cdot Z_P Z_T e^2}{m_0 c^2 \beta^2 \gamma} \cdot \frac{1}{\vartheta}$$

# Scattering experiments at relativistic energies

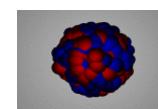
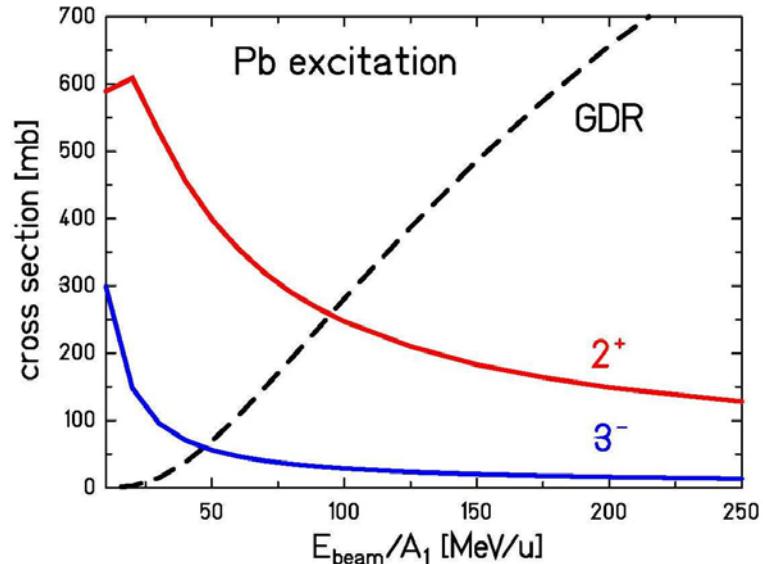


Rutherford scattering only if distance of closest approach  $D_{\min}$  is large compared to nuclear radii + surfaces:

$$D_{\min} > C_P + C_T + 5 \text{ fm}$$

$C_P, C_T$  half-density radii

$$\sigma_{\pi\lambda} \approx \left( \frac{Z_p e^2}{\hbar c} \right)^2 \cdot \frac{\pi}{e^2 b^{2\lambda-2}} \cdot B(\pi\lambda; 0 \rightarrow \lambda) \cdot \begin{cases} (\lambda-1)^{-1} & \text{for } \lambda \geq 2 \\ 2 \ln(b_a/b) & \text{for } \lambda = 1 \end{cases}$$



$$E^* \approx 13.3 \text{ MeV}$$

$$B(E1; 0 \rightarrow 1^-) \approx 0.55 e^2 b$$



$$E^* = 4.086 \text{ MeV}$$

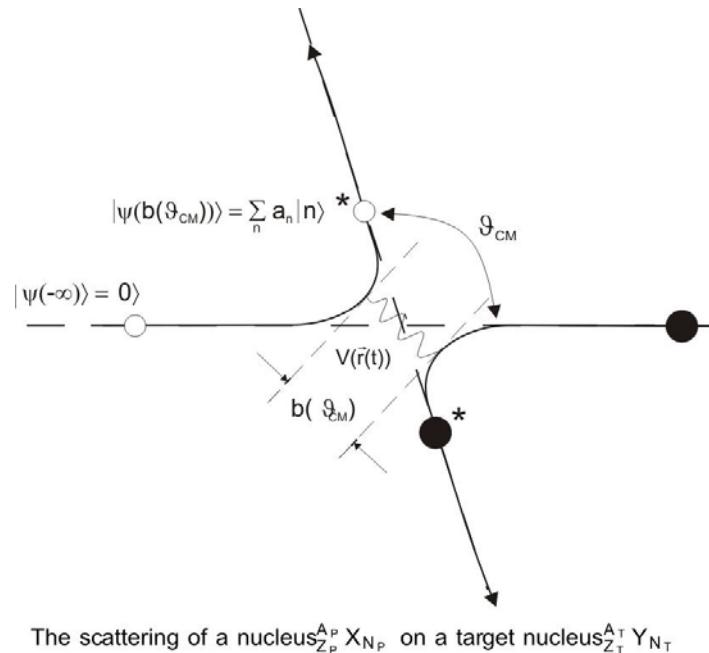
$$B(E2; 0 \rightarrow 2^+) = 9 \text{ Wu}$$



$$E^* = 2.615 \text{ MeV}$$

$$B(E3; 0 \rightarrow 3^-) = 34 \text{ Wu}$$

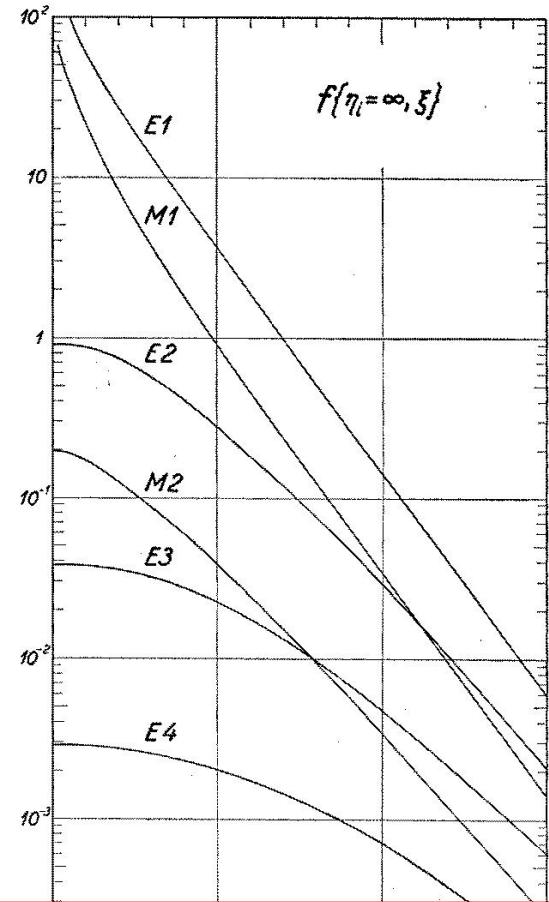
# High-energy Coulomb excitation – M1 and E2 excitations, full analytical description



$$\sigma_{E\lambda} = \left(\frac{Z_1 e}{\hbar v}\right)^2 a^{-2\lambda+2} B(E\lambda, I_0 \rightarrow I_f) f_{E\lambda}(\xi)$$

$$\sigma_{M\lambda} = \left(\frac{Z_1 e}{\hbar c}\right)^2 a^{-2\lambda+2} B(M\lambda, I_0 \rightarrow I_f) f_{M\lambda}(\xi)$$

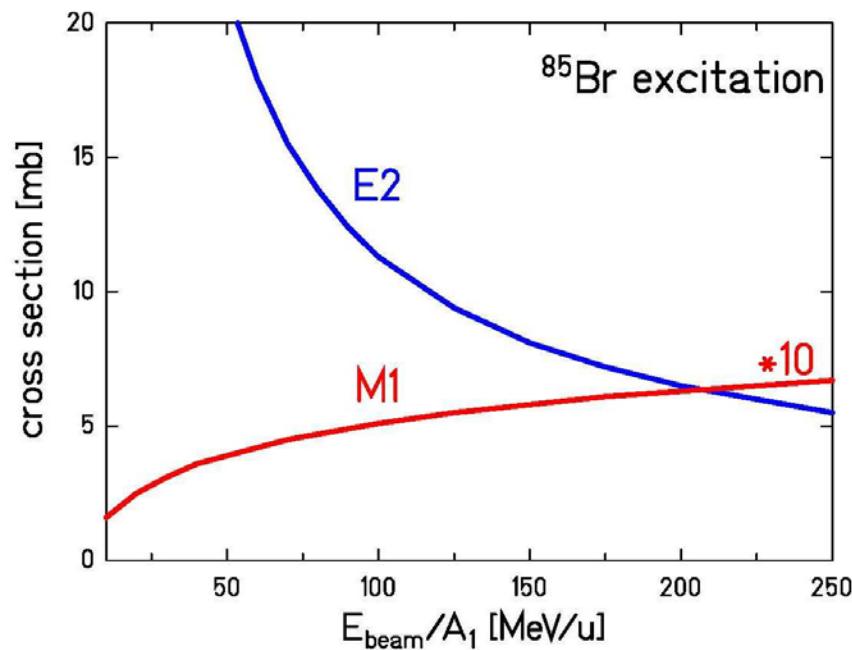
$$\frac{\sigma_{E\lambda}}{\sigma_{M\lambda}} \sim \left(\frac{c}{v}\right)^2; \quad v/c \sim 7\% \rightarrow \frac{\sigma_{E\lambda}}{\sigma_{M\lambda}} \sim 200$$



## Conclusion:

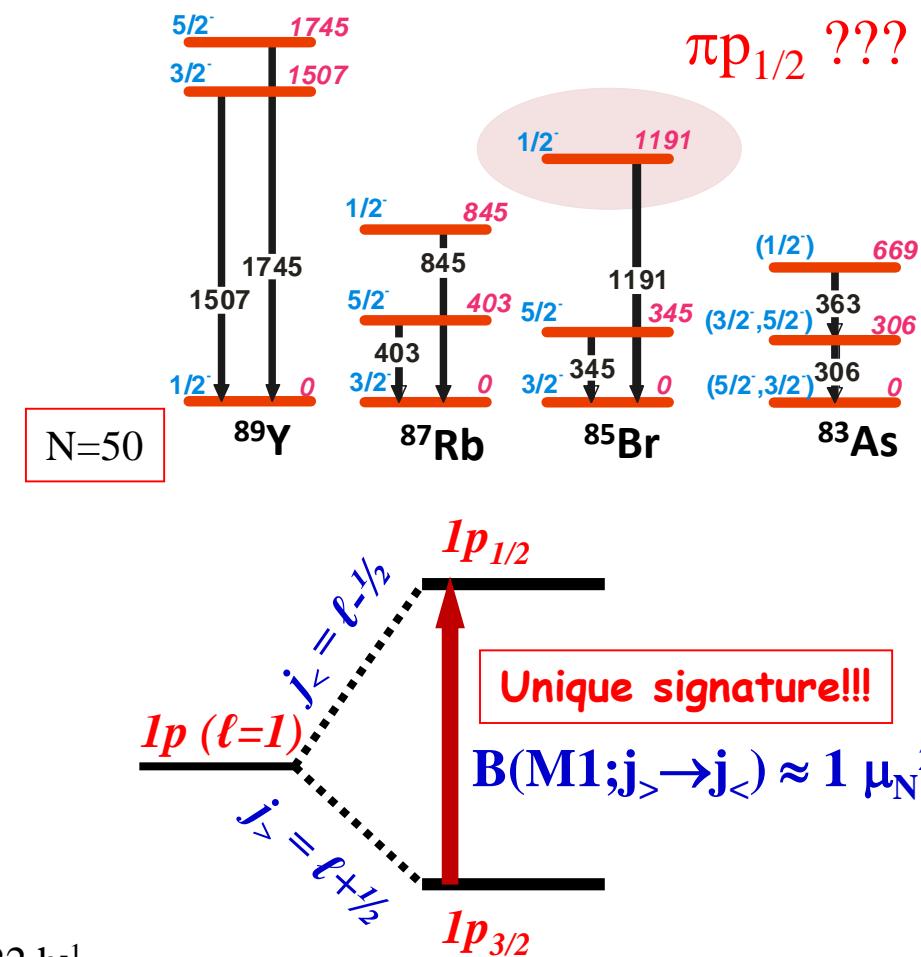
- 1) The lower multipolarities are dominant
- 2) For a given multipole order, electric transitions are more likely than magnetic transitions

# High-energy Coulomb excitation – M1 and E2 excitations



$^{85}\text{Br} \rightarrow ^{197}\text{Au}$  at 100 MeV/u

$$\text{rate} = 10^5 \text{ s}^{-1} \cdot 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2} \cdot 0.5 \cdot 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot 10\% = 22 \text{ h}^{-1}$$



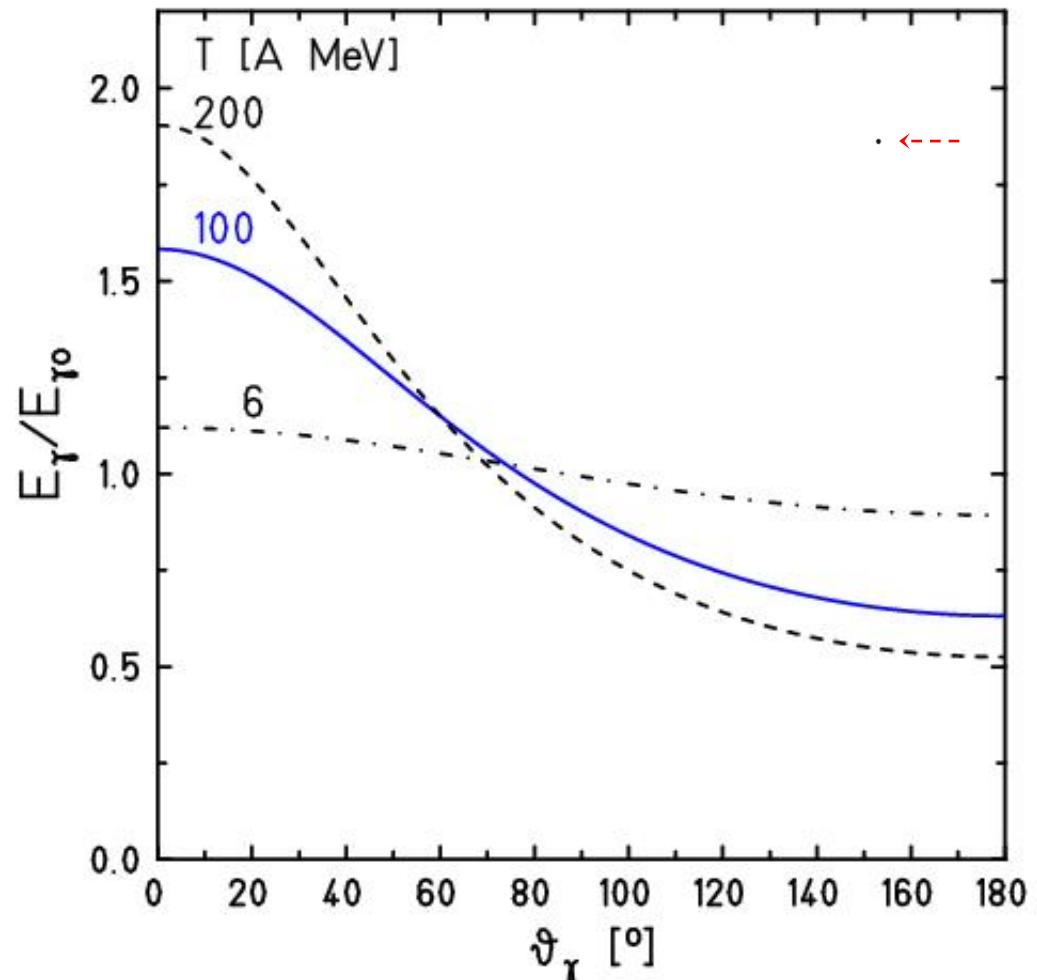
# Scattering experiments at relativistic energies

Doppler effect:

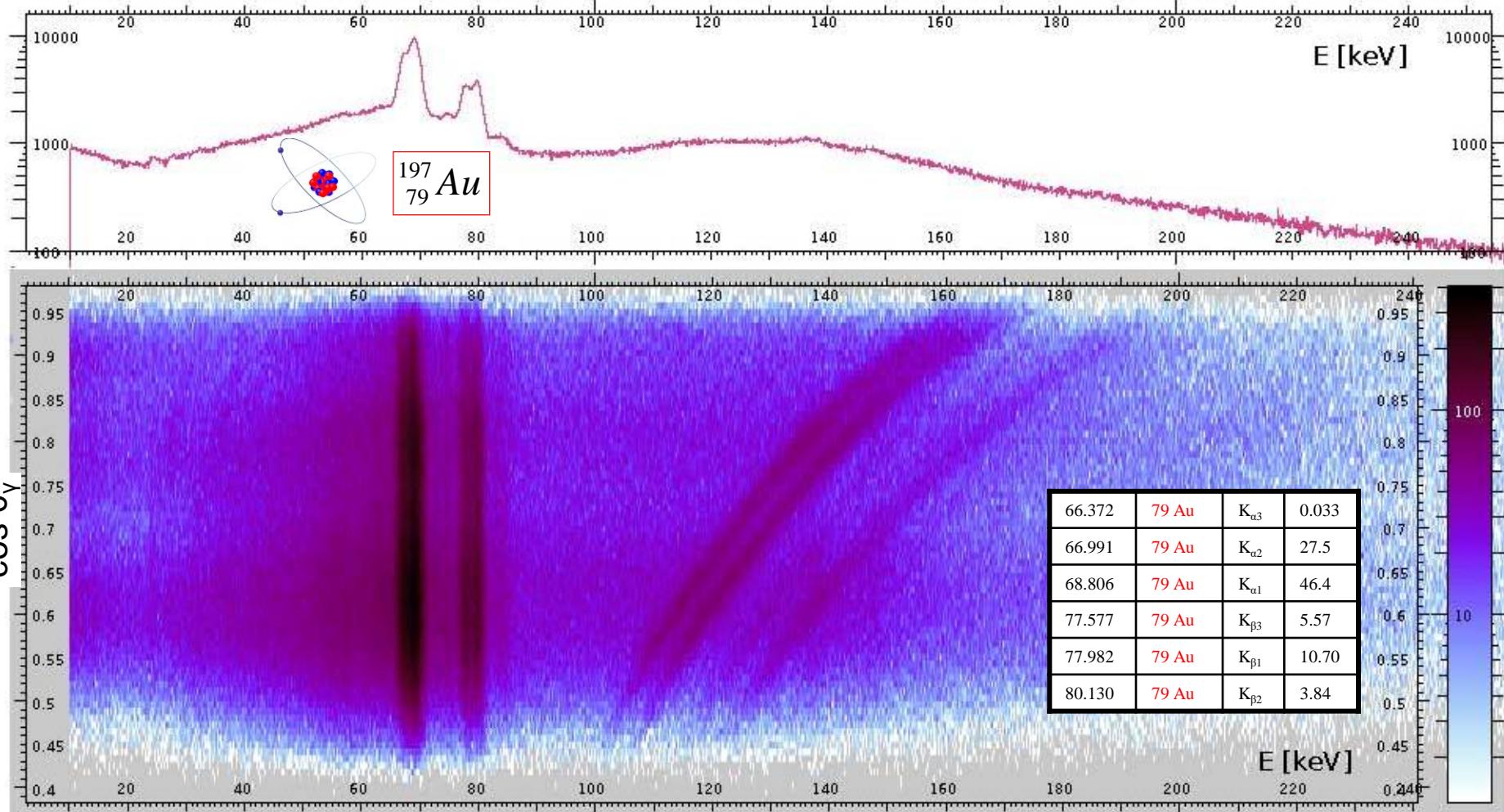
$$\frac{E_{\gamma 0}}{E_\gamma} = \frac{1 - \beta \cdot \cos \vartheta_\gamma^{lab}}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} \quad \text{for } \vartheta_p \approx 0^\circ$$

Lorentz boost:

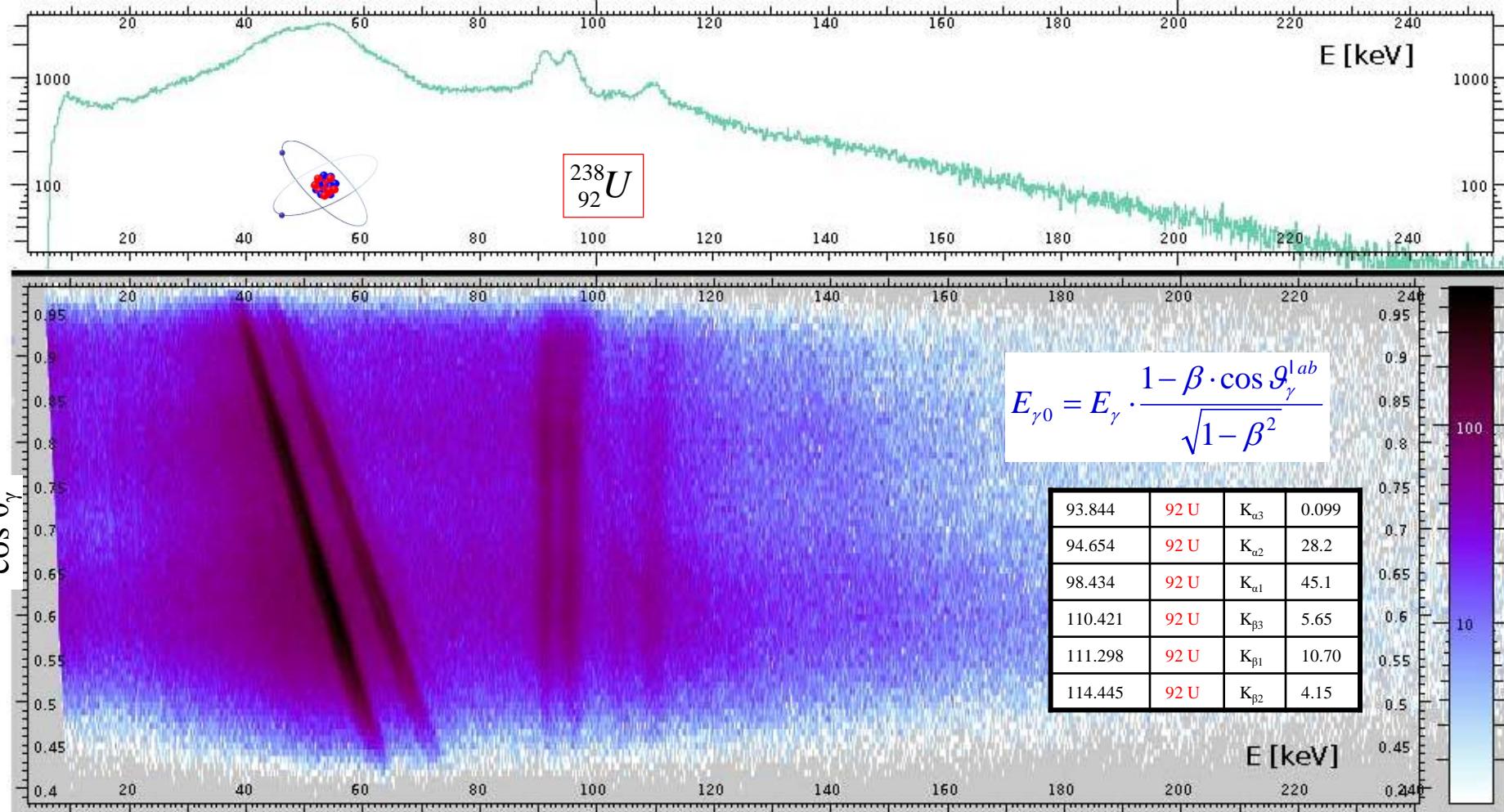
$$\frac{d\Omega_{rest}}{d\Omega_{lab}} = \left( \frac{E_\gamma}{E_{\gamma 0}} \right)^2$$



# Doppler-shift correction – $^{238}\text{U}$ on $^{197}\text{Au}$ (386 mg/cm<sup>2</sup>) at 183 AMeV



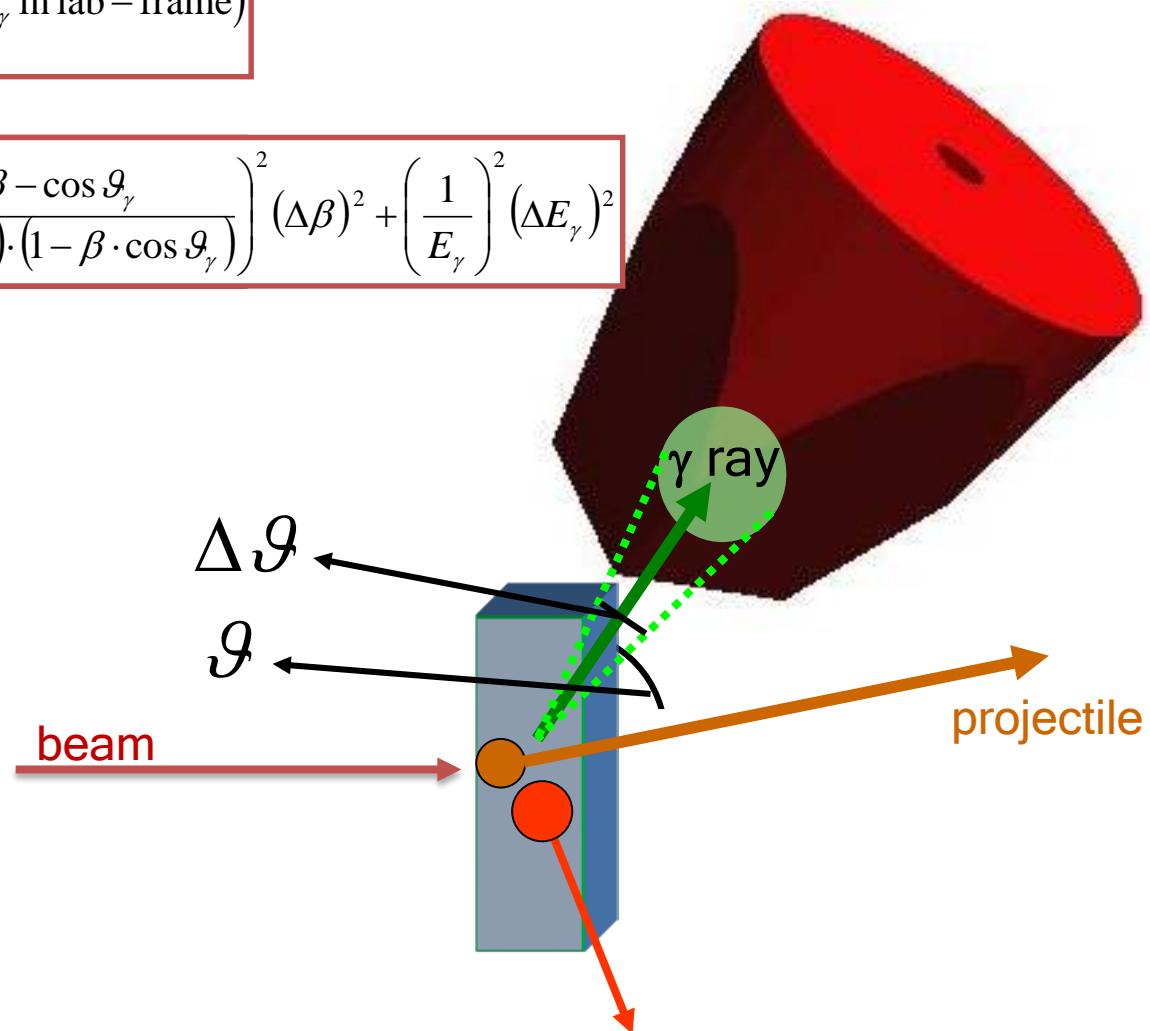
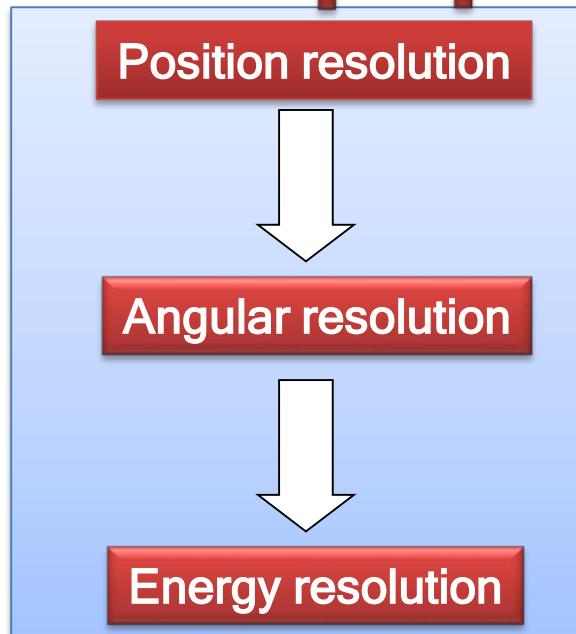
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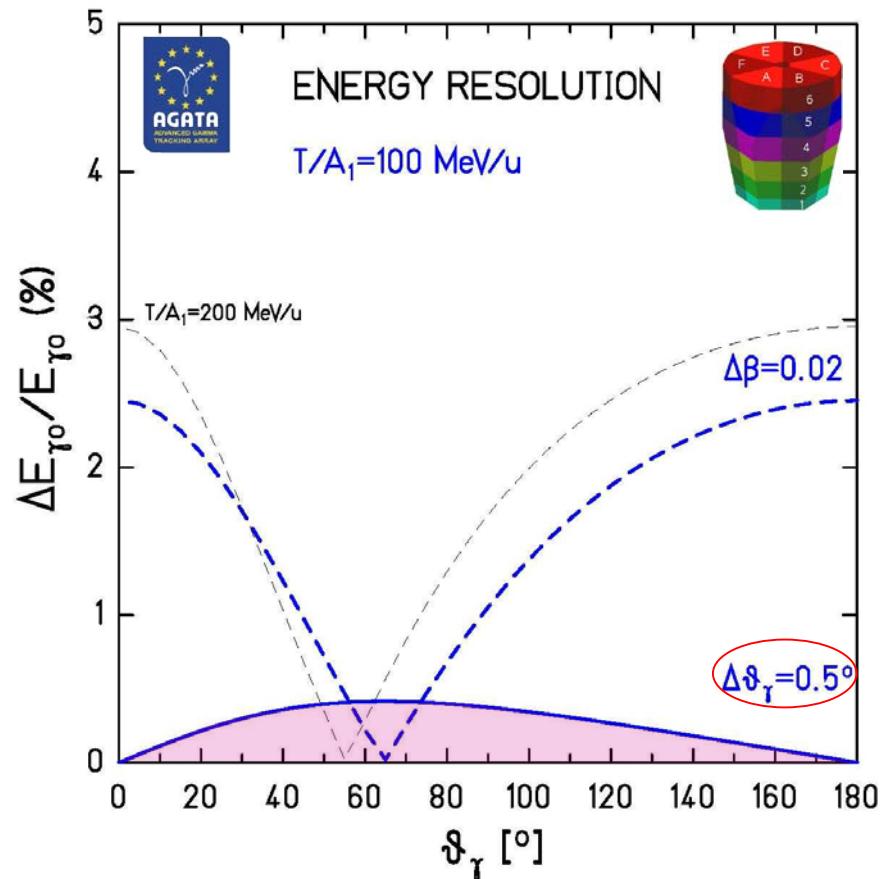
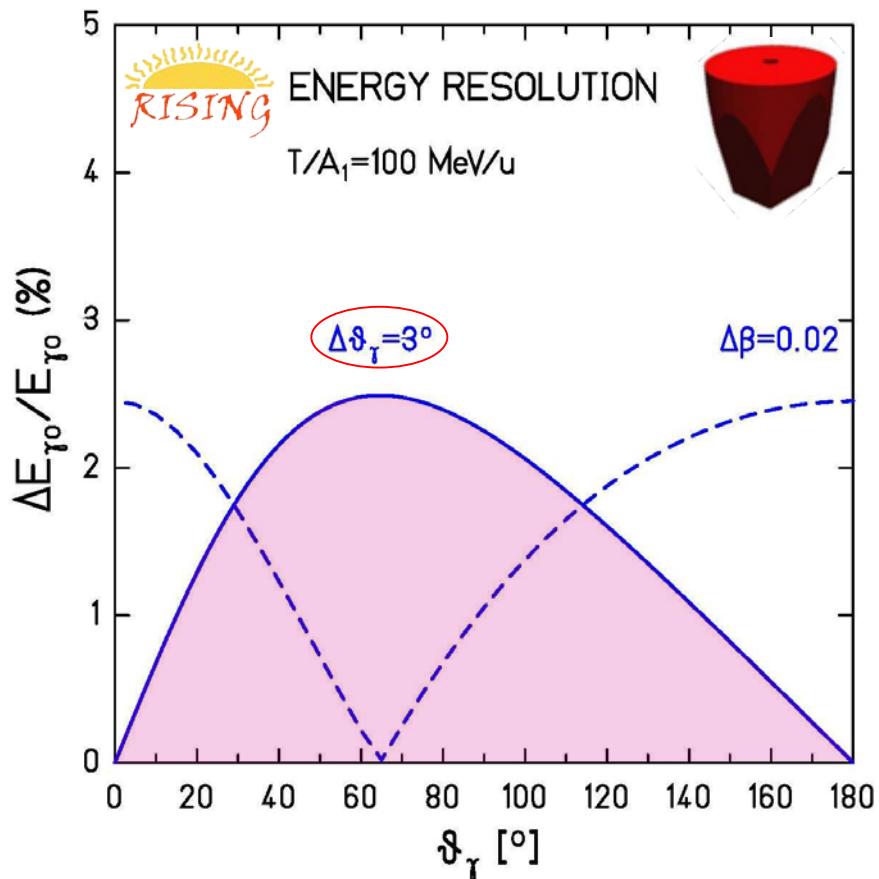
# Doppler broadening and position resolution

$$E_{\gamma 0} = E_\gamma \frac{1 - \beta \cdot \cos \vartheta_\gamma}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} \quad (\beta, \vartheta_p = 0^\circ, \vartheta_\gamma \text{ and } E_\gamma \text{ in lab-frame})$$

$$\left( \frac{\Delta E_{\gamma 0}}{E_{\gamma 0}} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{\beta \cdot \sin \vartheta_\gamma}{1 - \beta \cdot \cos \vartheta_\gamma} \right)^2 (\Delta \vartheta_\gamma)^2 + \left( \frac{\beta - \cos \vartheta_\gamma}{(1 - \beta^2) \cdot (1 - \beta \cdot \cos \vartheta_\gamma)} \right)^2 (\Delta \beta)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{E_\gamma} \right)^2 (\Delta E_\gamma)^2$$



# Doppler broadening



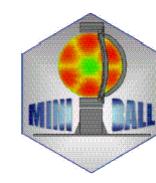
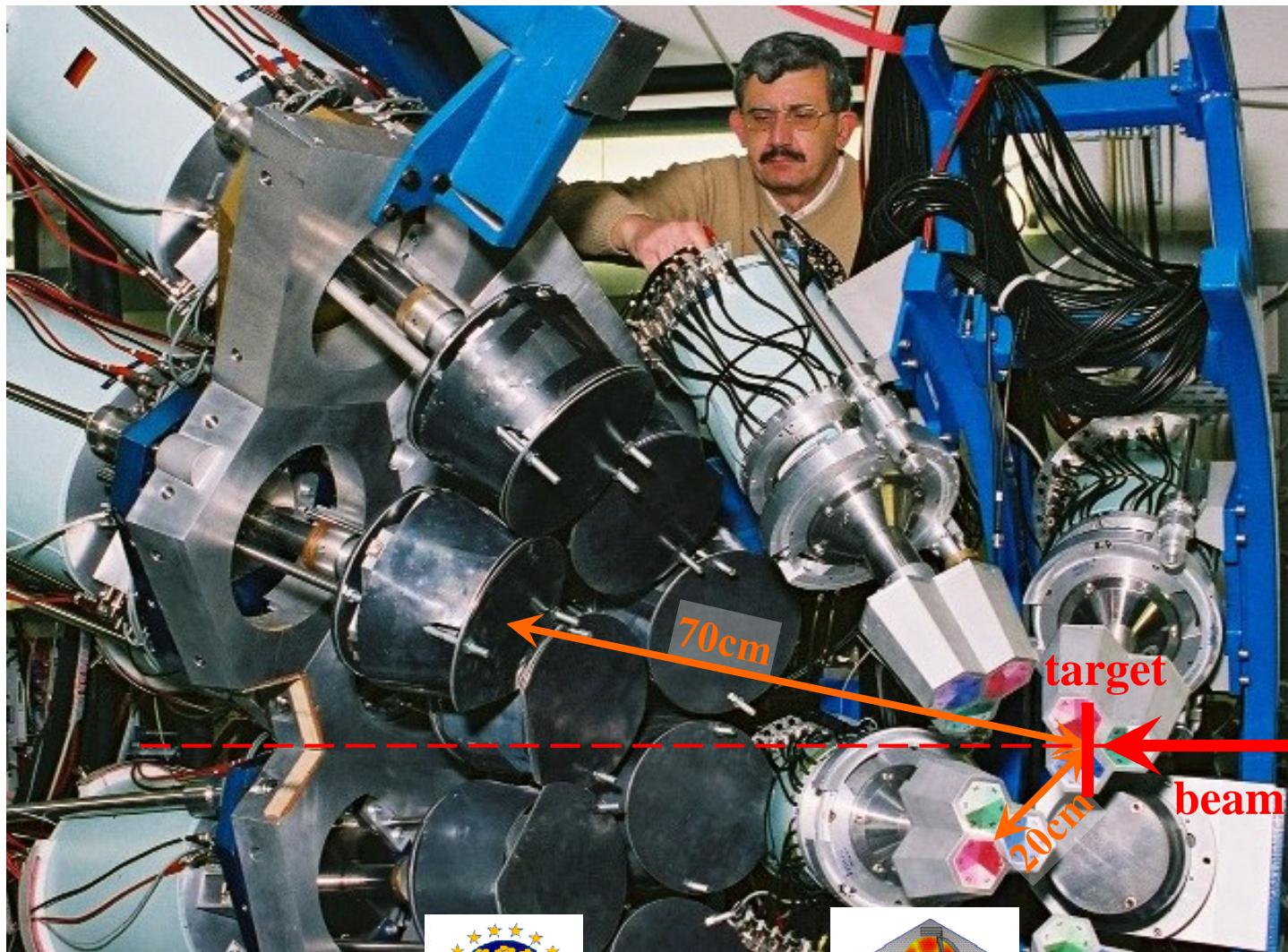
opening angle:

$$\frac{\Delta E_{\gamma 0}}{E_{\gamma 0}} = \frac{\beta \cdot \sin \vartheta_\gamma}{1 - \beta \cdot \cos \vartheta_\gamma} \cdot \Delta\vartheta_\gamma$$

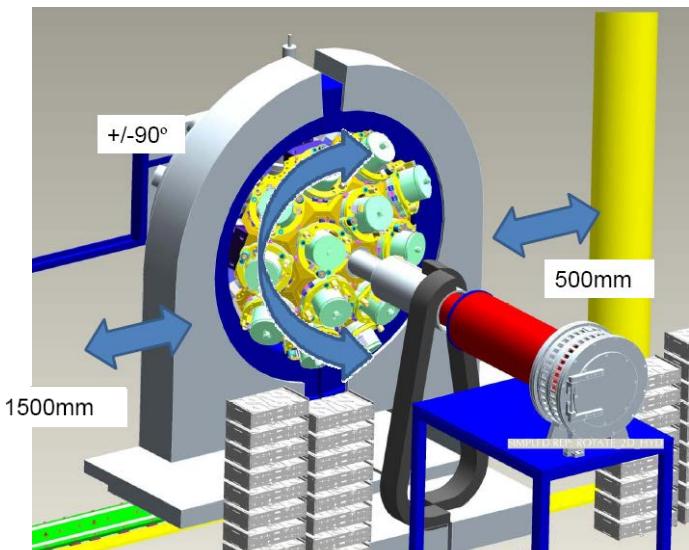
slowing down in target:

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

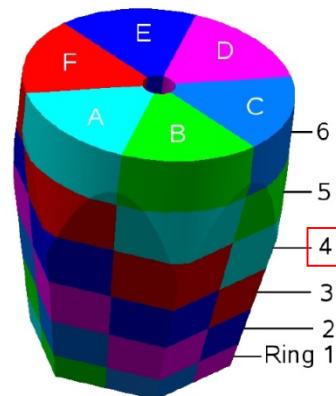
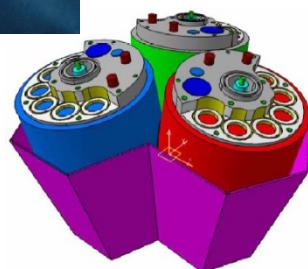
# Segmented detectors



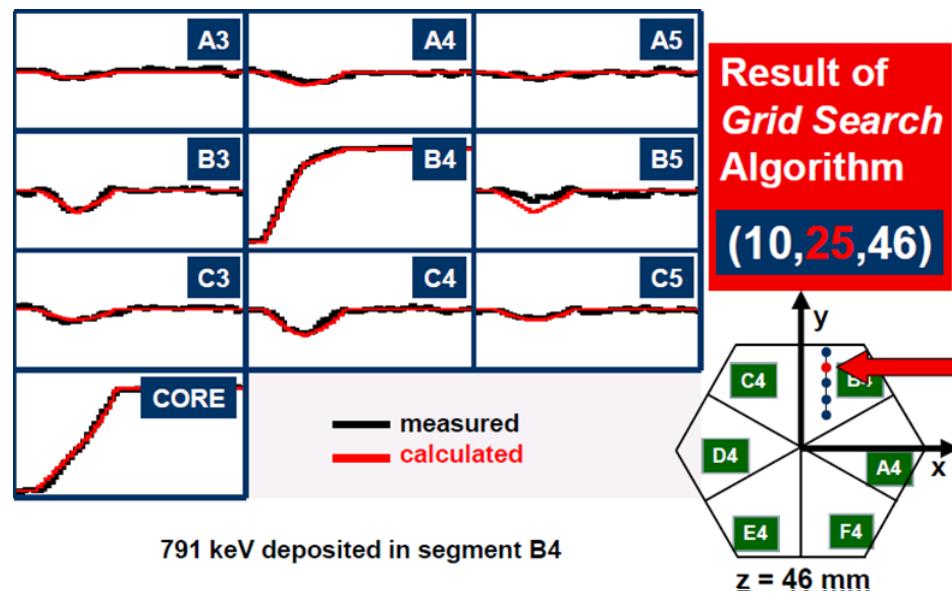
# Advanced GAMMA Tracking Array



John Strachan

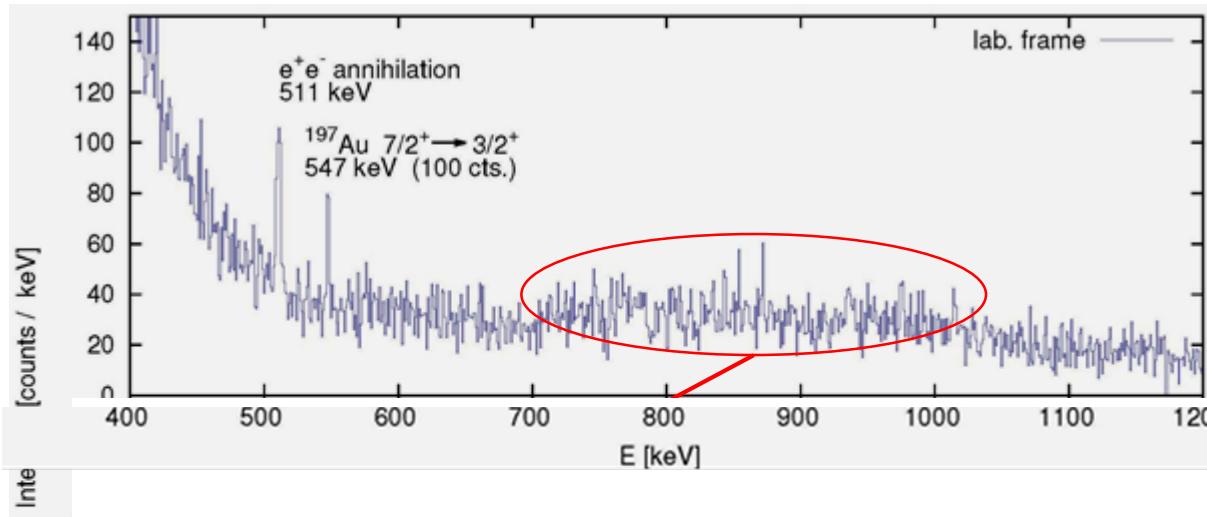


Signals from 36 segments + core  
are measured as a function of time  
( $\gamma$ -ray interaction point)



# Scattering experiment at relativistic energies

$^{80}\text{Kr} \rightarrow ^{197}\text{Au}$ , 150 AMeV

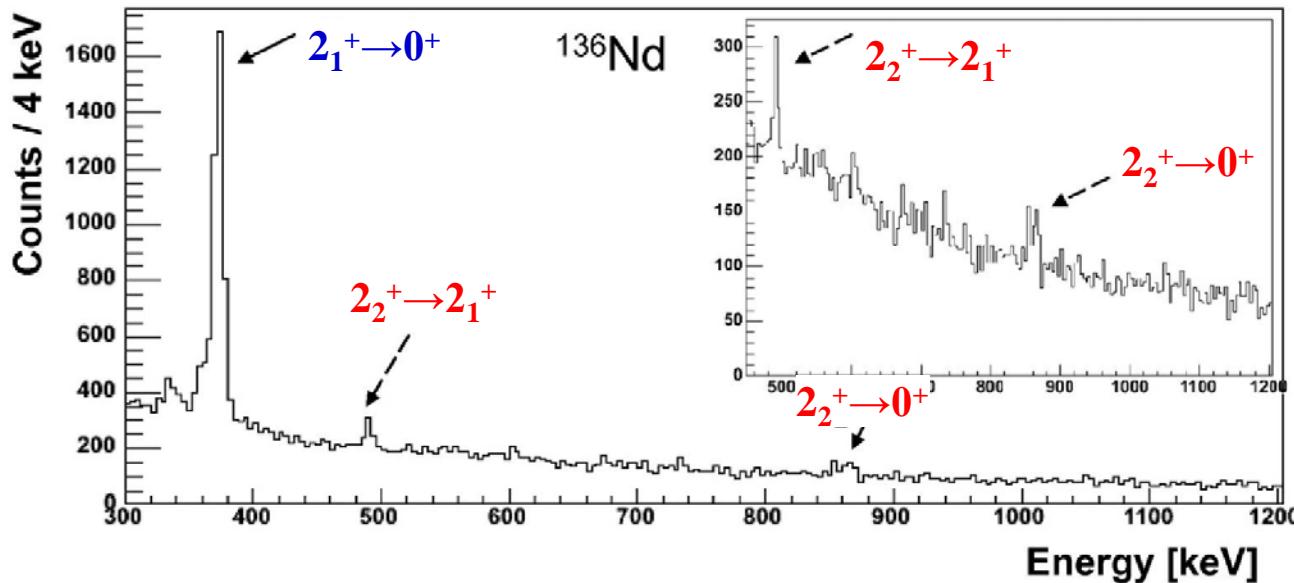


Doppler effect



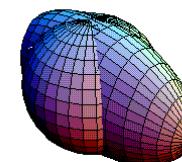
$$\frac{E_{\gamma 0}}{E_\gamma} = \frac{1 - \beta \cdot \cos \vartheta_\gamma^{\text{lab}}}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}$$

# High-energy Coulomb excitation – triaxiality in even-even nuclei (N=76)



**First observation of a second excited  $2^+$  state**  
populated in a Coulomb experiment at 100 AMeV  
using EUROBALL and MINIBALL Ge-detectors.

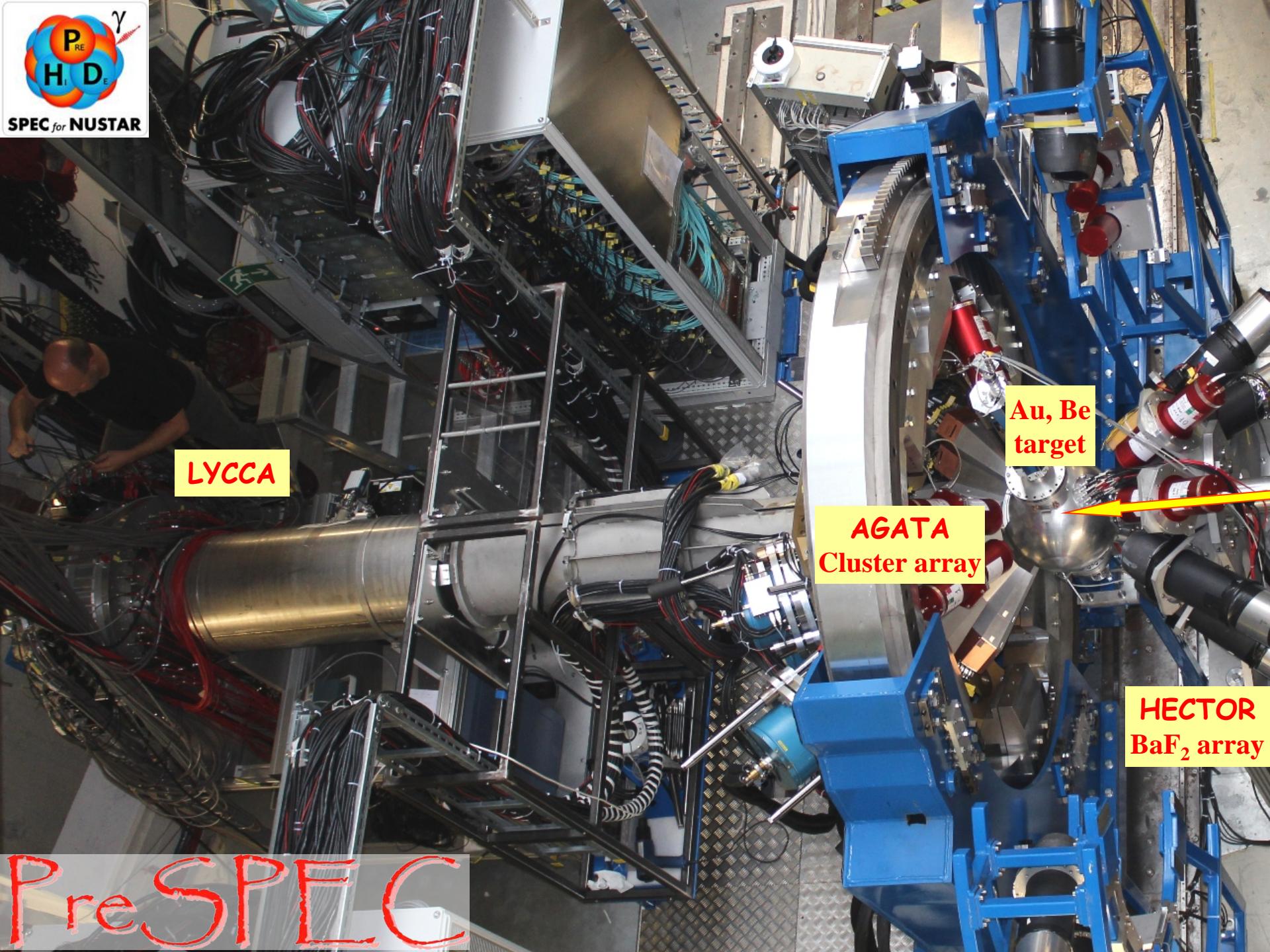
- shape symmetry
- collective strength

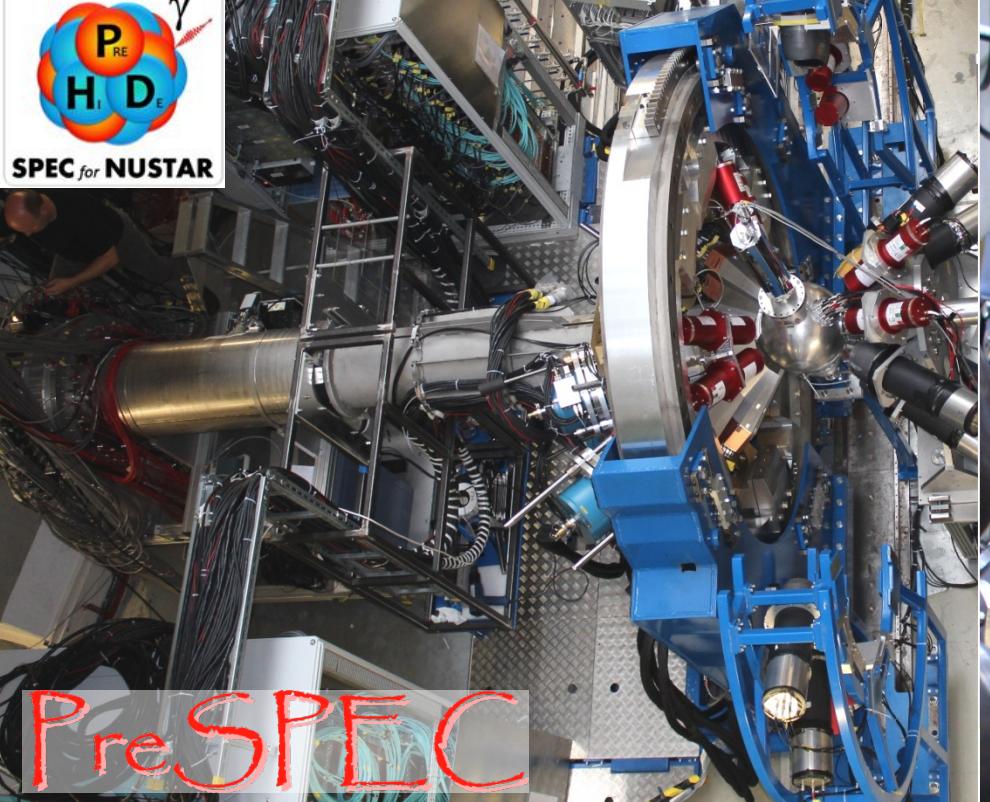
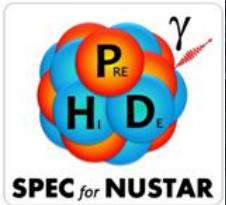


$$\frac{B(E2;2_2 \rightarrow 2_1)}{B(E2;2_1 \rightarrow 0)} = \frac{\frac{20}{7} \frac{\sin^2(3\gamma)}{9 - 8\sin^2(3\gamma)}}{1 + \frac{3 - 2\sin^2(3\gamma)}{\sqrt{9 - 8\sin^2(3\gamma)}}}$$

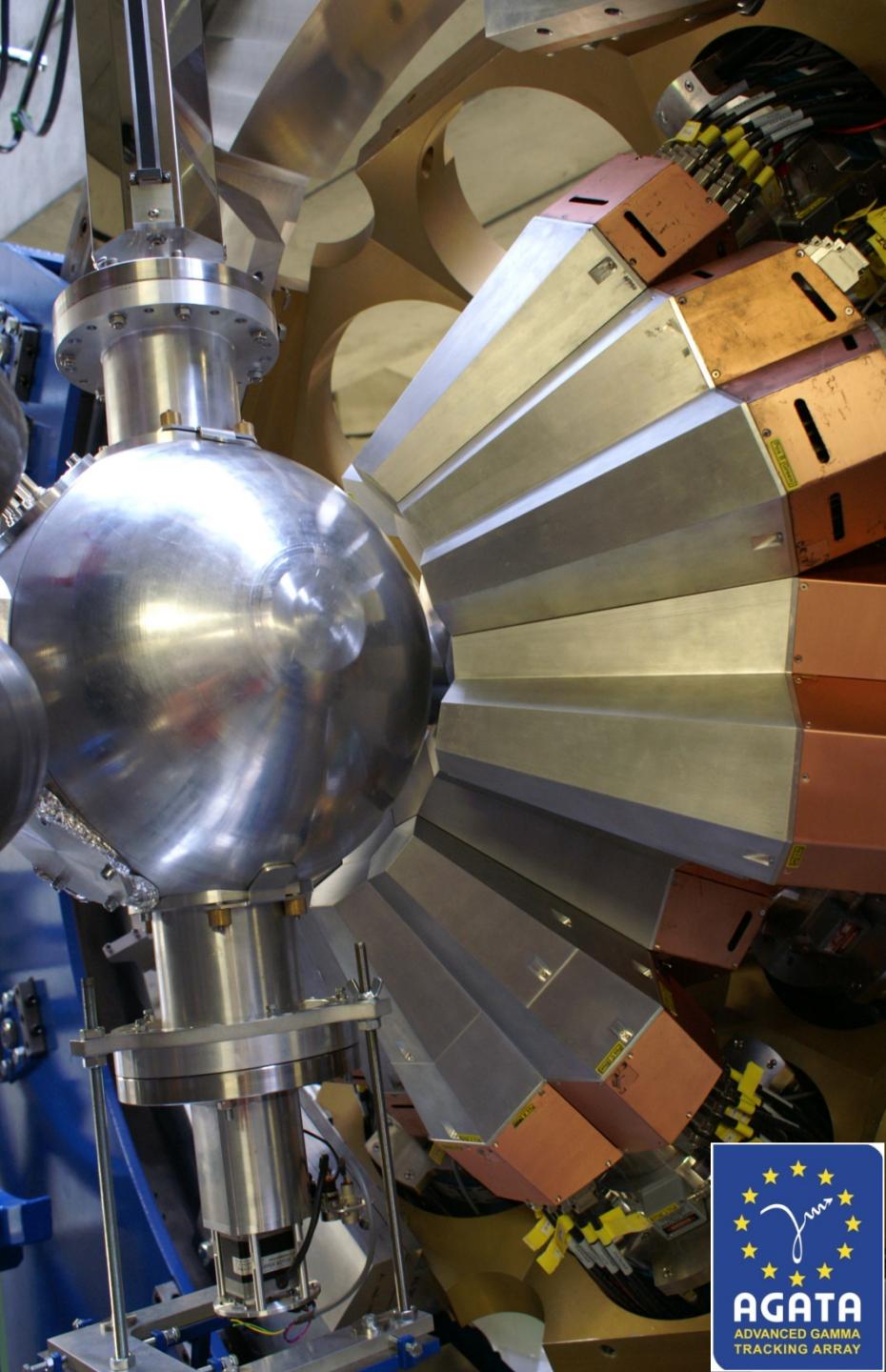
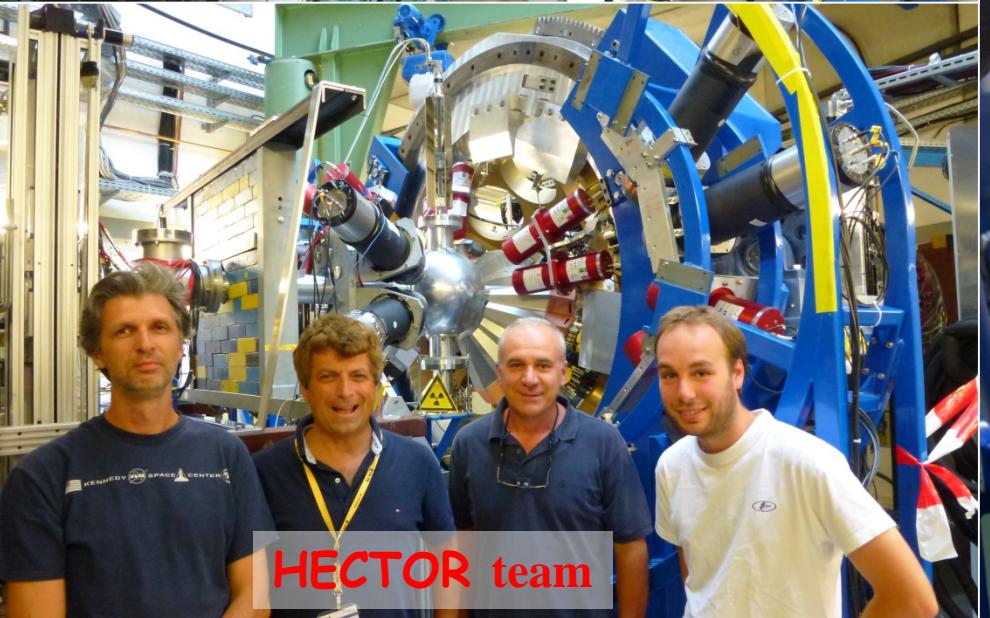
$$\frac{B(E2;2_2 \rightarrow 0)}{B(E2;2_1 \rightarrow 0)} = \frac{\frac{1 - 3\sin^2(3\gamma)}{\sqrt{9 - 8\sin^2(3\gamma)}}}{1 + \frac{3 - 2\sin^2(3\gamma)}{\sqrt{9 - 8\sin^2(3\gamma)}}}$$

$$\frac{E_2(2)}{E_1(2)} = \frac{3 + \sqrt{9 - 8\sin^2 3\gamma}}{3 - \sqrt{9 - 8\sin^2 3\gamma}}$$



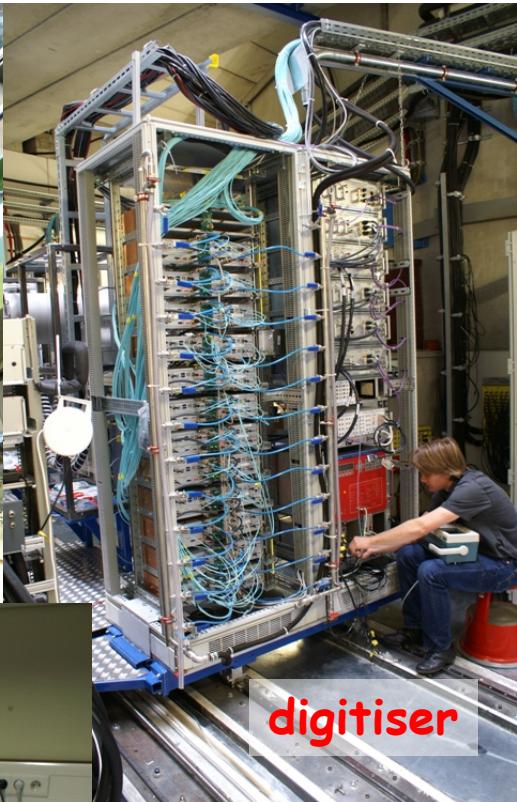
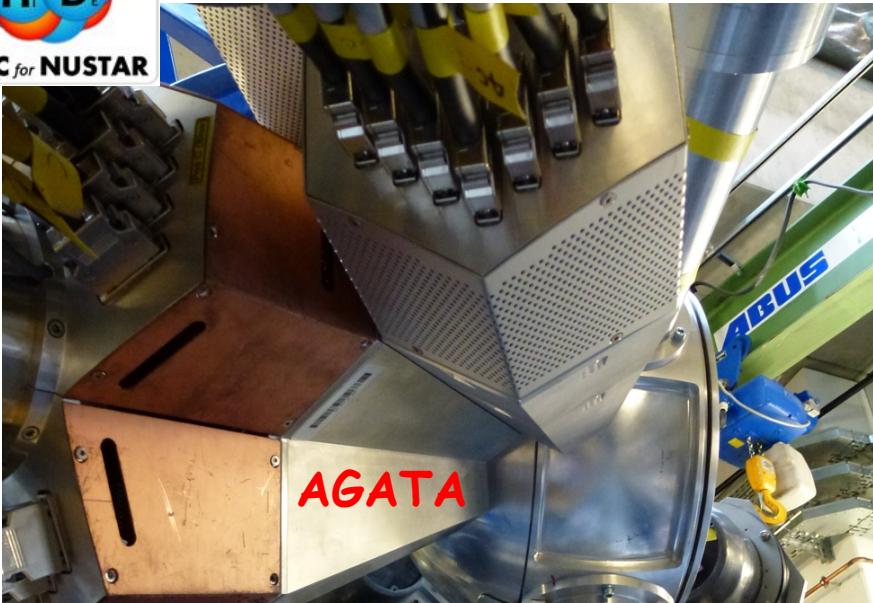


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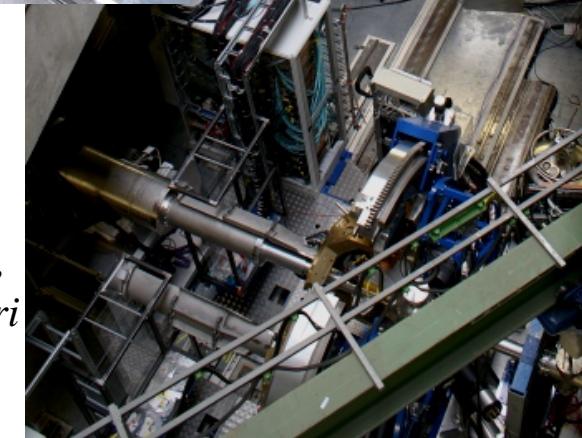


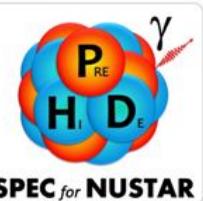


# AGATA at PreSPEC



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# Commissioning of LH<sub>2</sub> target

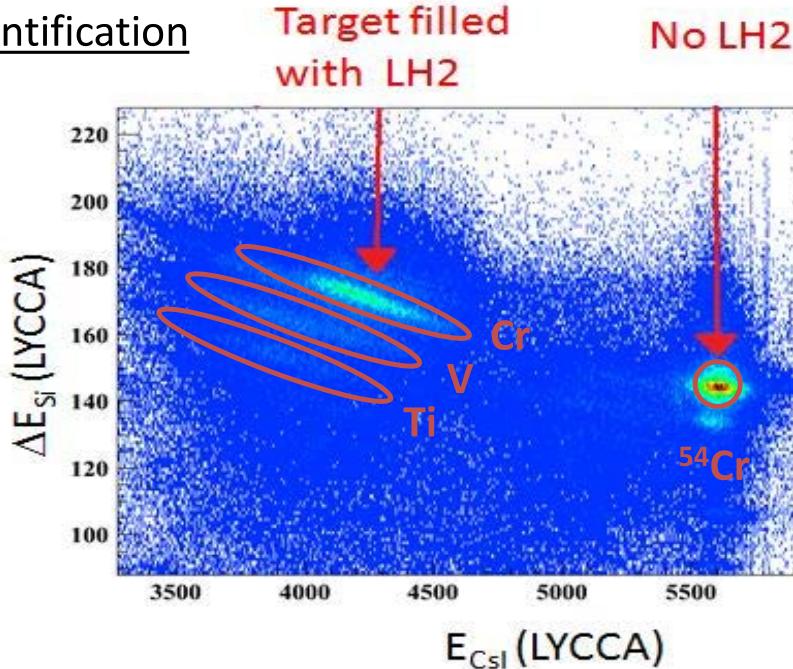


LH<sub>2</sub> target used during the test in may 2011

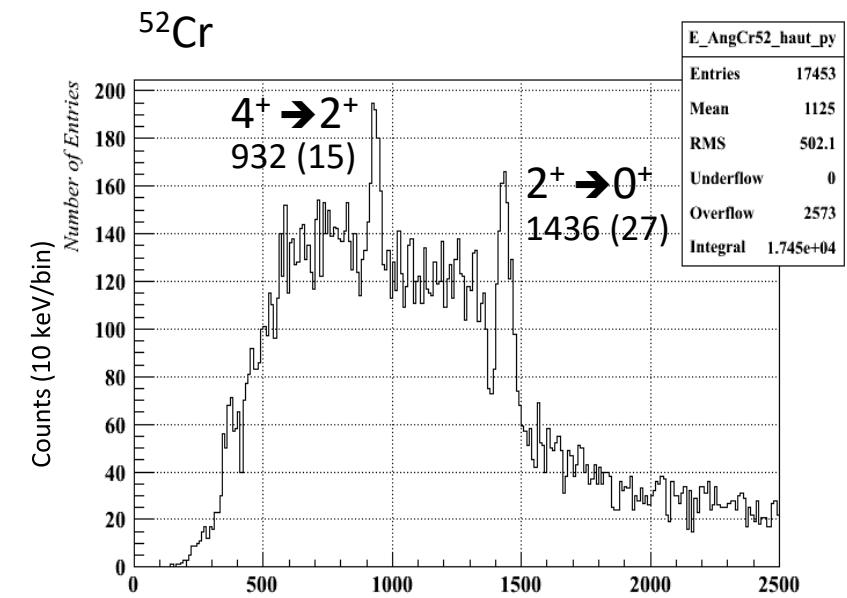
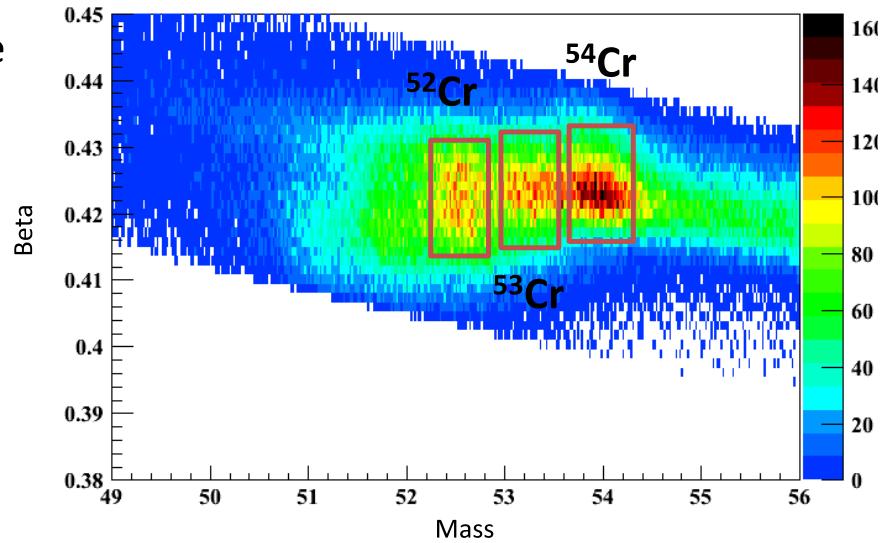
- 2 cm thickness
- 7 cm diameter

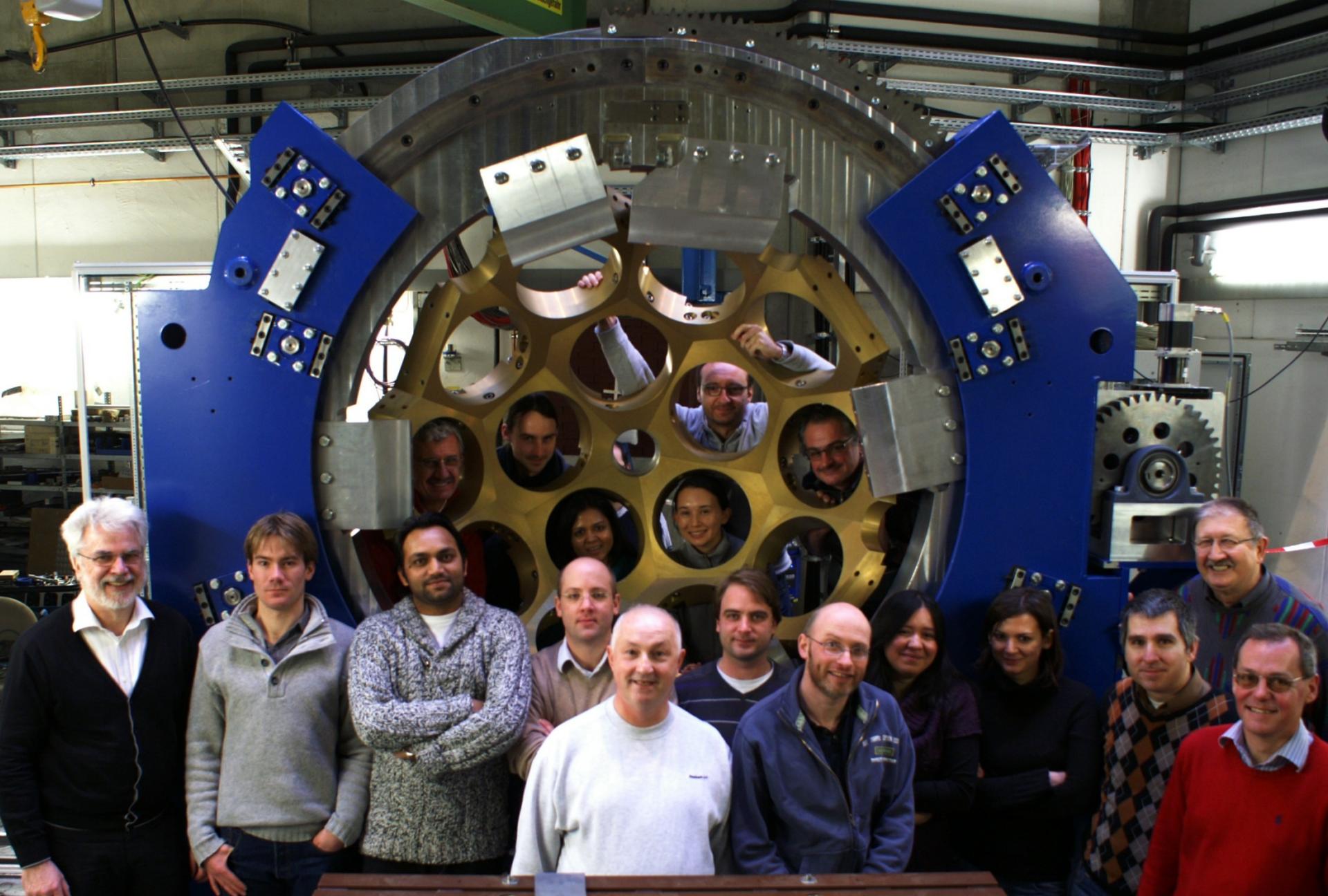
Beam of <sup>54</sup>Cr at 150MeV/u

## Z identification



## Masse identification for Cr isotopes



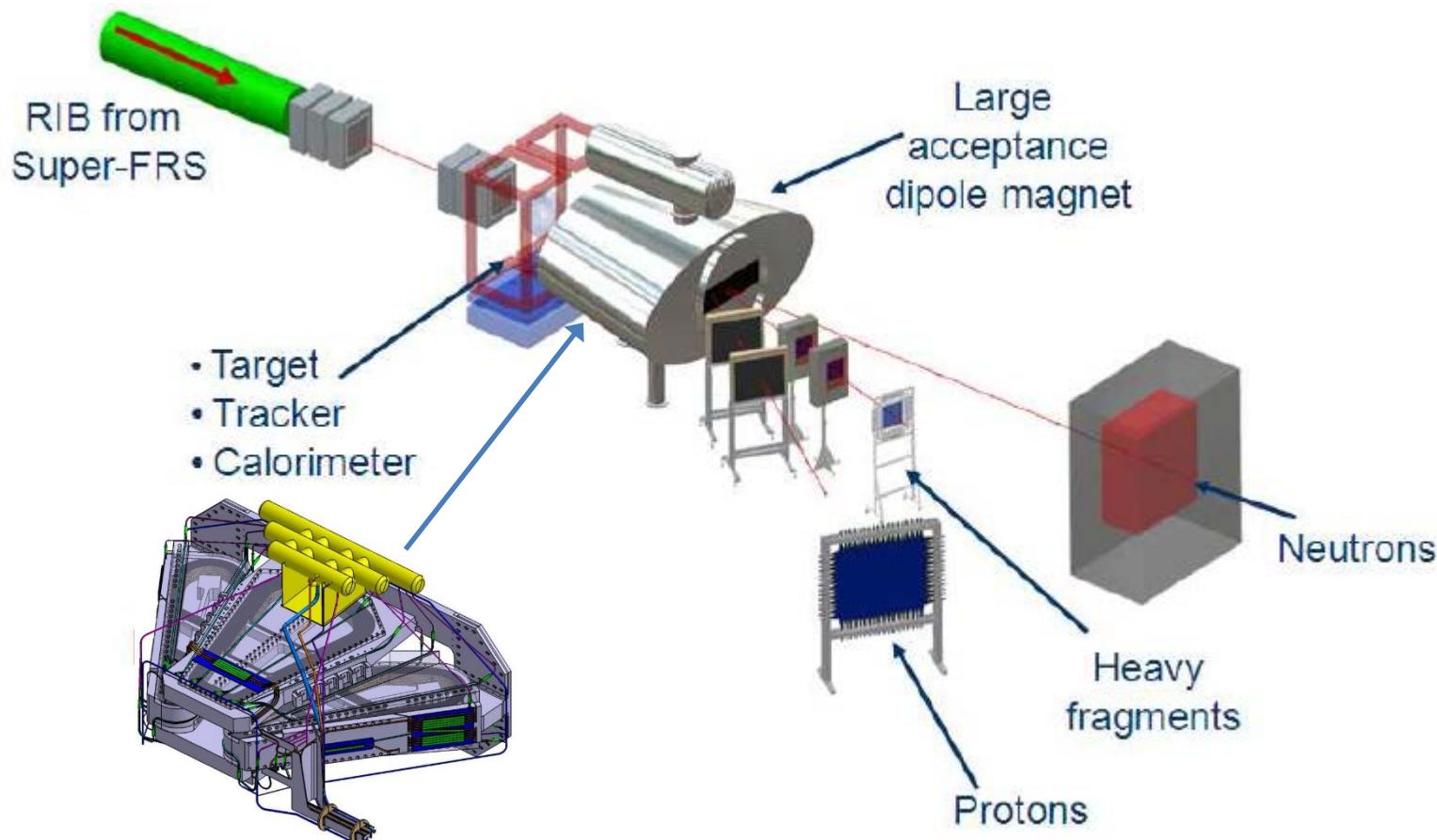


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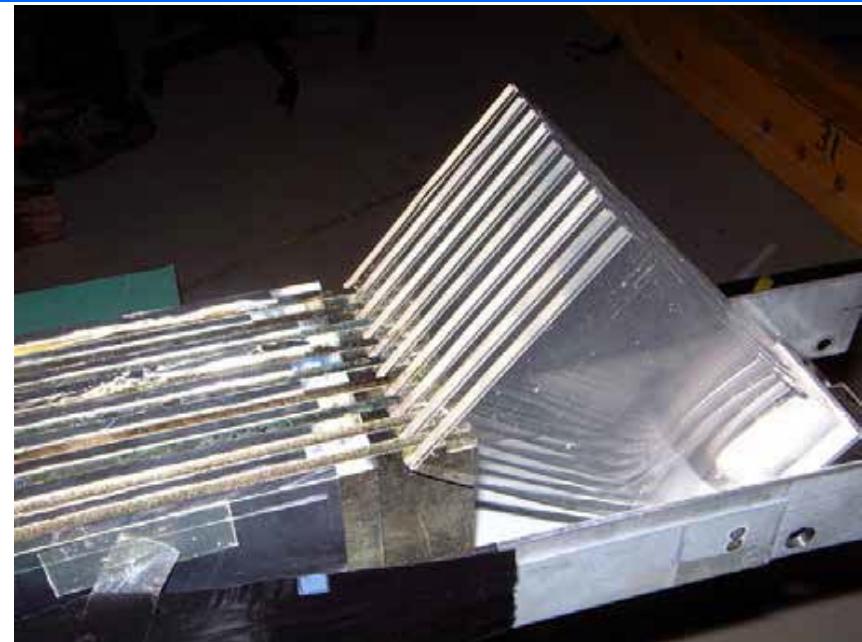
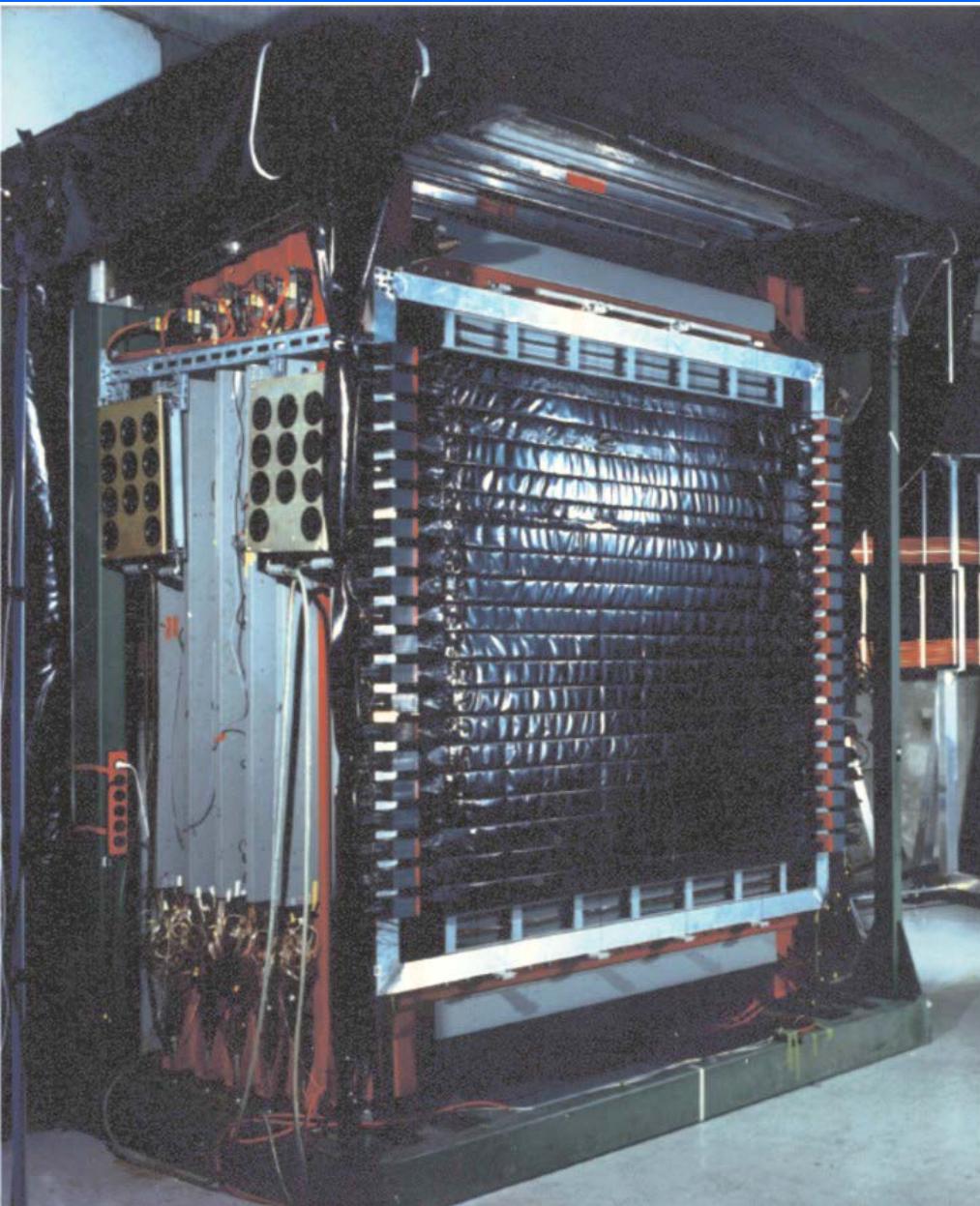
# Reactions with relativistic radioactive beams – R<sup>3</sup>B



Excitation energy E\* from kinematically complete measurement of all outgoing particles

$$E^* = \left( \sqrt{\sum_i m_i^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} m_i m_j \gamma_i \gamma_j (1 - \beta_i \beta_j \cos \vartheta_{ij})} - m_{proj} \right) c^2 + E_{\gamma,sum}$$

# Large Area Neutron Detector



## Large **A**rea **N**eutron **D**etector (2m x 2m x 1m)

- neutron energy  $T_n \leq 1 \text{ GeV}$ 
  - $\Delta T_n/T_n = 5.3\%$
  - efficiency  $\sim 1$
- passive Fe-converter

# Invariant mass analysis

$$M_{proj}^{inv} = m_{proj} + E^*$$

$$M_{proj}^{inv} = \sqrt{\left( \sum_i E_i \right)^2 - \left( \sum_i \vec{p}_i \right)^2}$$

$$\left( \sum_i E_i \right)^2 = \sum_i (\gamma_i m_i)^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} \gamma_i \gamma_j m_i m_j$$

$$\left( \sum_i \vec{p}_i \right)^2 = \sum_i (\gamma_i \beta_i m_i)^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} \gamma_i \gamma_j \beta_i \beta_j m_i m_j \cos \theta_{ij}$$

Momentum reconstruction: ( $\hbar=c=1$ )

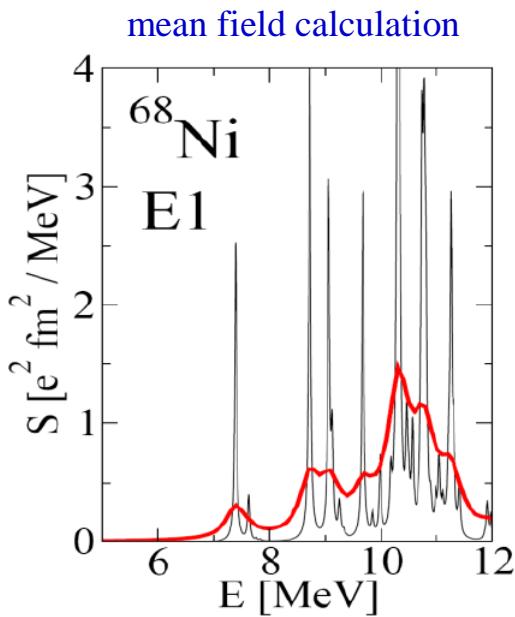
four-momenta:  $\hat{P} = (E, \vec{p})$

$$\begin{cases} p_x = p_0 \sin \theta \cos \phi \\ p_y = p_0 \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ p_z = p_0 \cos \theta \end{cases}$$

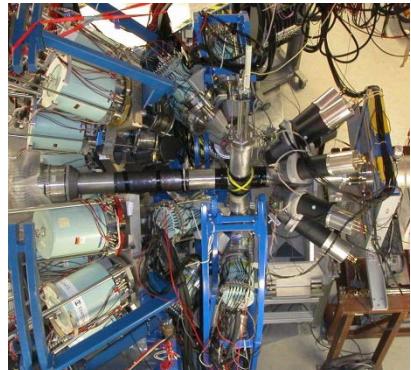
$$p_0 = m_0 \beta \gamma$$

$$\gamma^2 (1 - \beta^2) = 1$$

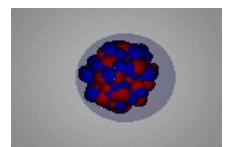
# Dipole strength distribution of $^{68}\text{Ni}$



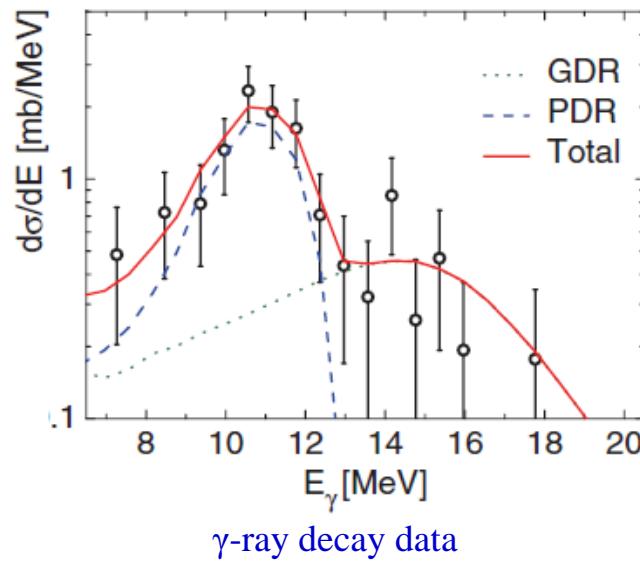
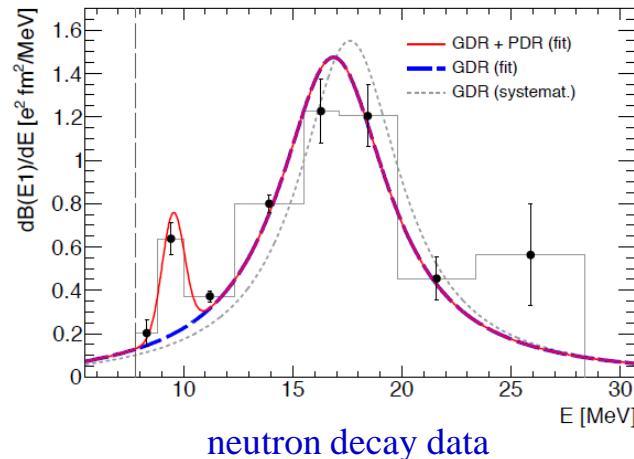
E.Litvinova et al.; PRC 79, (2009) 054312



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Pygmy resonance

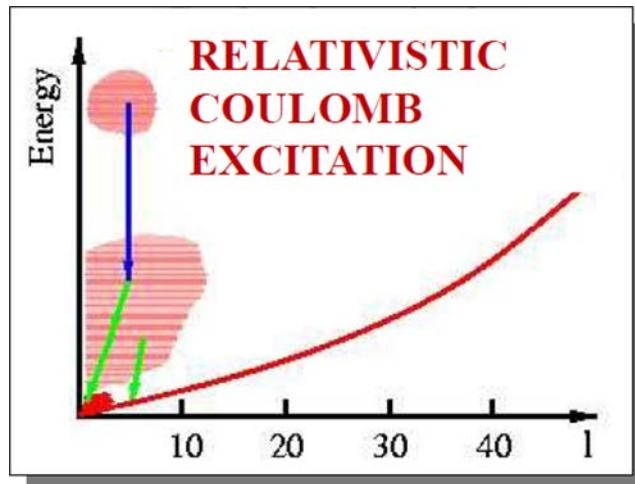


direct  $\gamma$ -decay  
branching ratio:

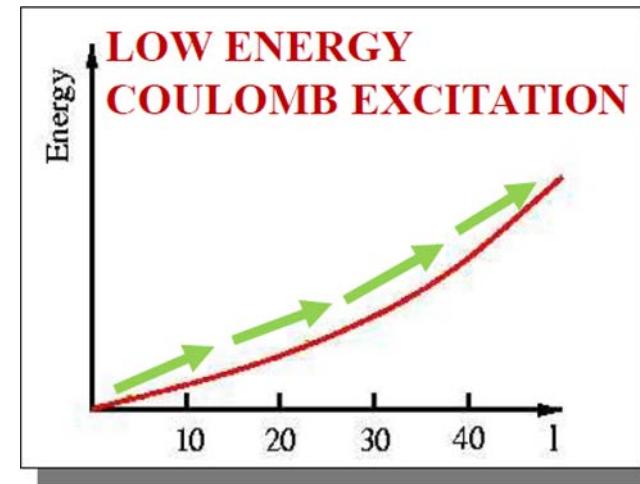
$$\Gamma_0/\Gamma = 7(2)\%$$

D. Rossi et al.; Phys. Rev. Lett 111, 242503 (2013)

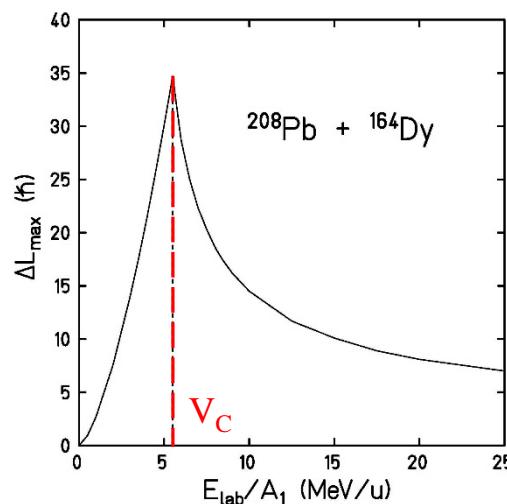
# Slow down beams – new experimental perspectives



*collective strength*



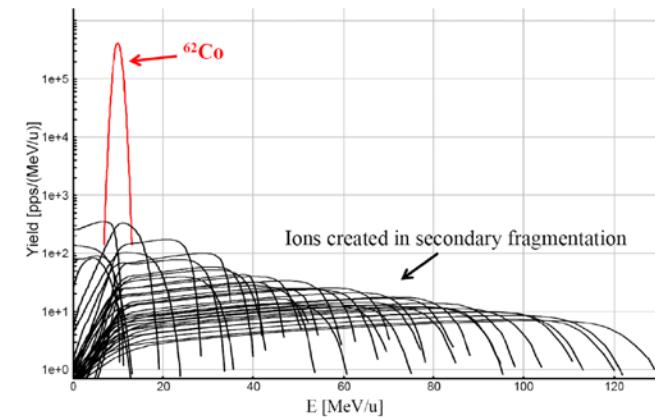
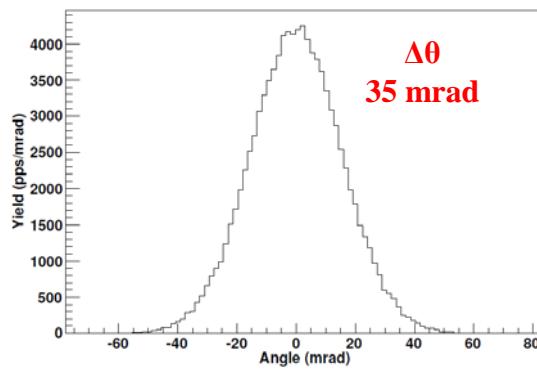
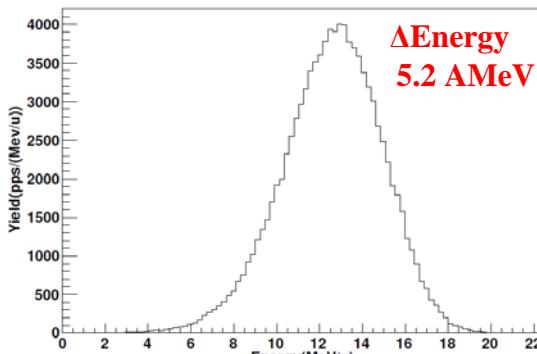
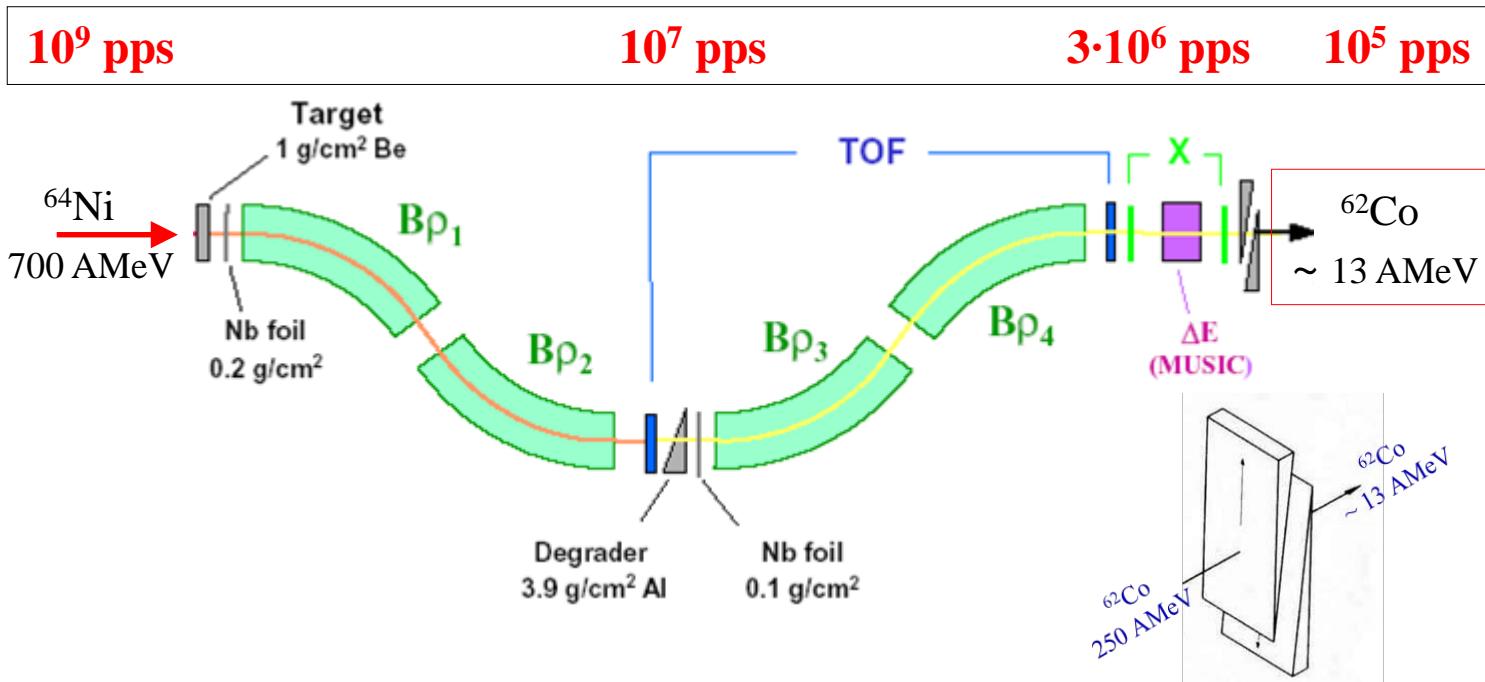
*nuclear shape*



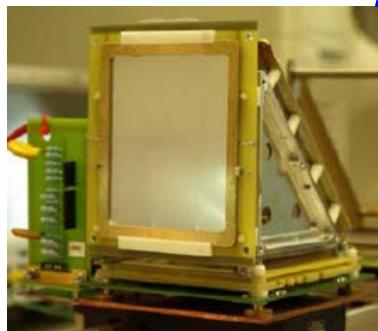
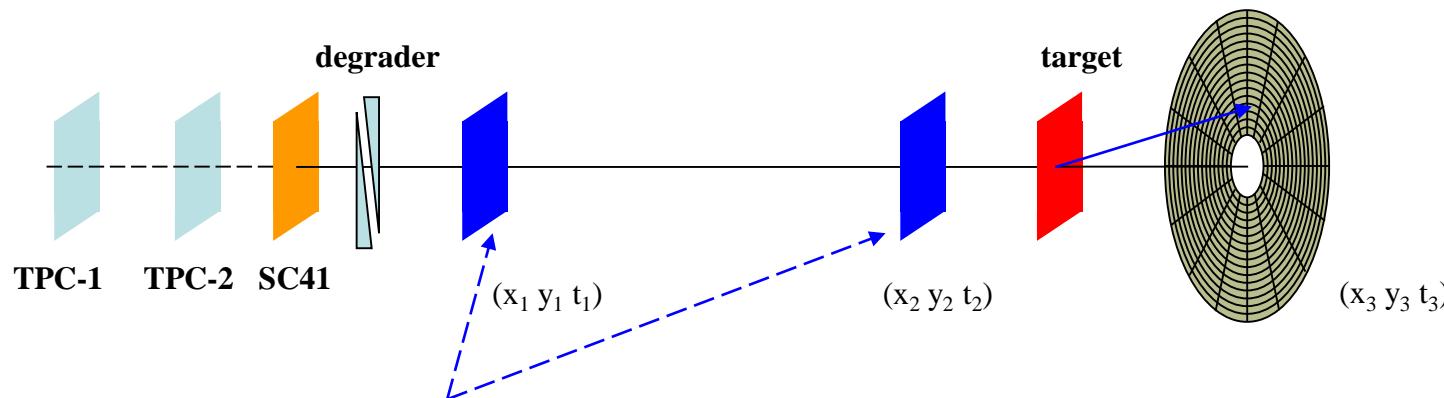
*angular momentum transfer:*

$$\Delta L_{max} \cong \frac{Z_P \cdot e^2 \cdot Q_0}{4 \cdot \hbar \cdot v \cdot a^2} \cdot (1 - \cos\theta_{cm})$$

# Slowed down beams – beam characteristics

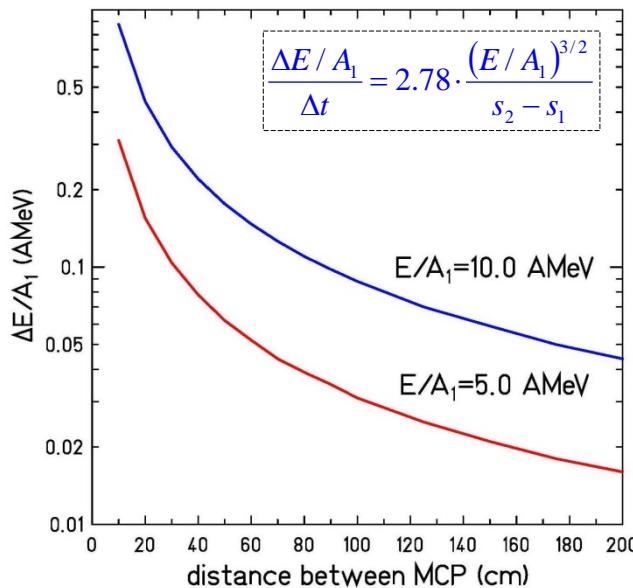


# Slowed down beams – experimental set-up



**electrostatic mirror + MCP detector**

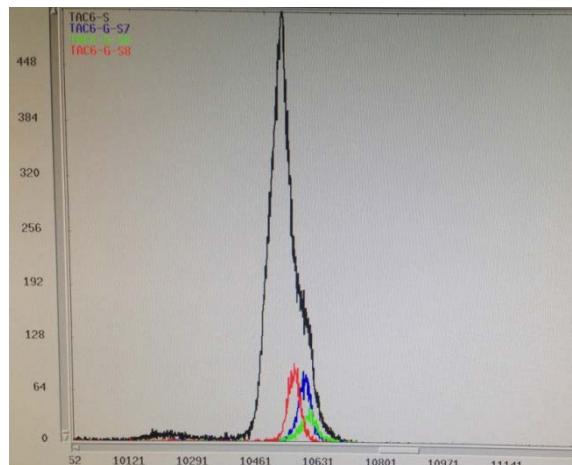
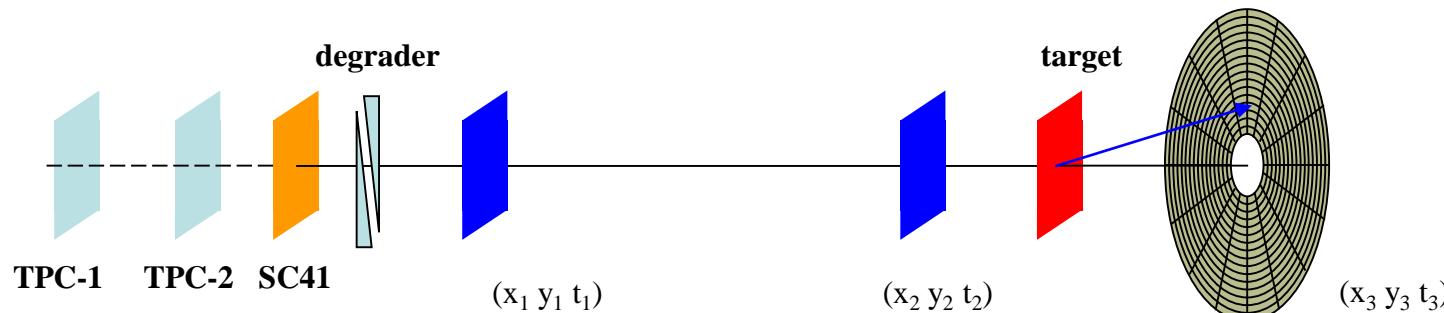
position resolution  $\sim 1$  mm  
time resolution  $\sim 100$  ps



MCP  $\equiv$  micro channel plate

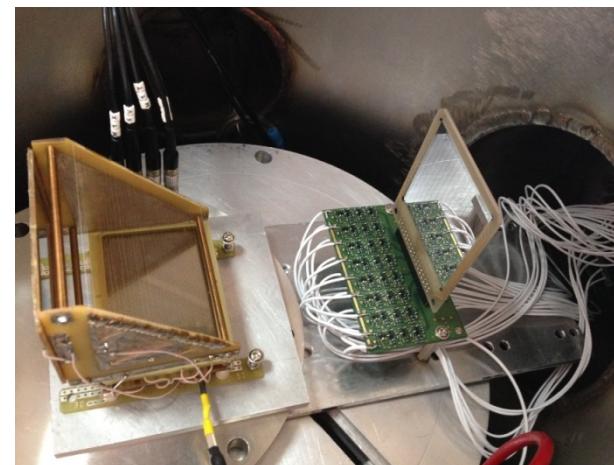
experimental results:  
velocity  $\beta$   
beam energy  $E/A_1$   
scattering angle  $\theta_{cm}$

# Slowed down beams – experimental set-up



TOF between MCP and DSSSD

**Time resolution 200 ps** for one of the 256 detector pixels

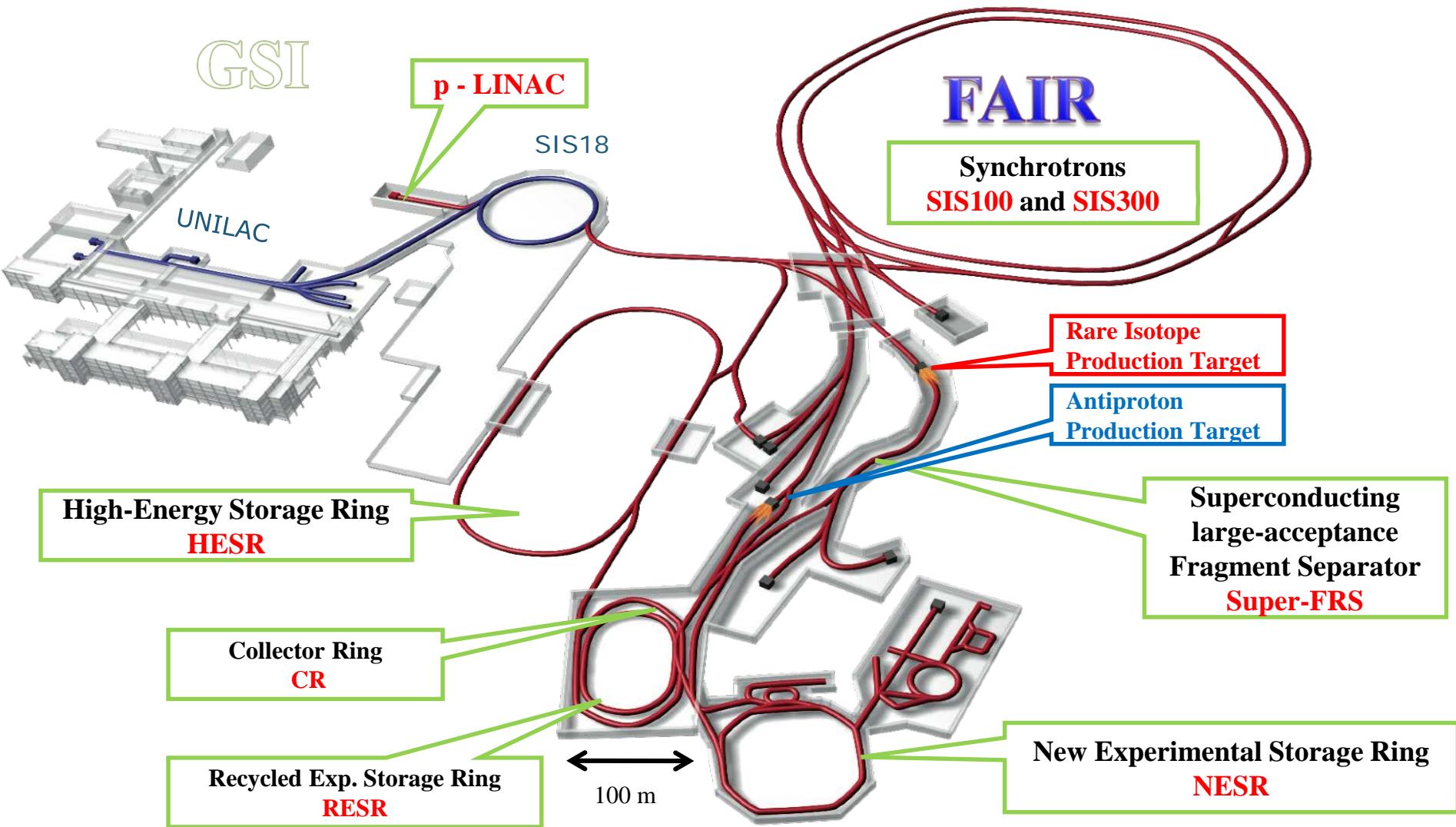


MCP

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