

Photon Physics and New ERL Developments at the S-DALINAC



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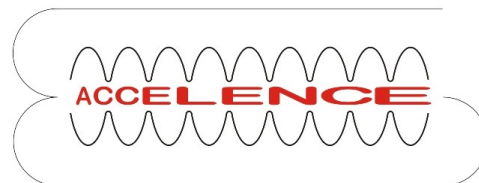
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The Nuclear Photo Response:

Photo-Excitation

Typical Photon Beams (Bremsstrahlung, CBS)

Overview of Dipole Modes at “Low” Energies ($< S_n$)

Sample Physics Cases

The Pygmy Dipole Resonance

The Scissors Mode - Relation to $0\nu\beta\beta$

S-DALINAC Future Plans

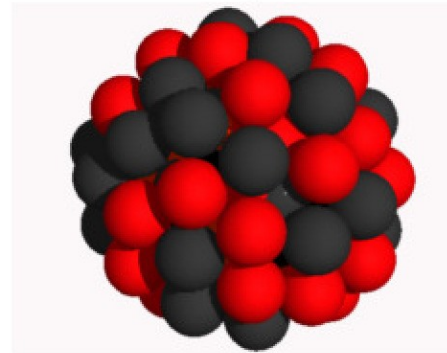
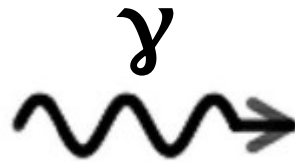
S-DALINAC now commissioned as ERL

Next Step: FEL \rightarrow CBS Beams

Photonuclear Reactions

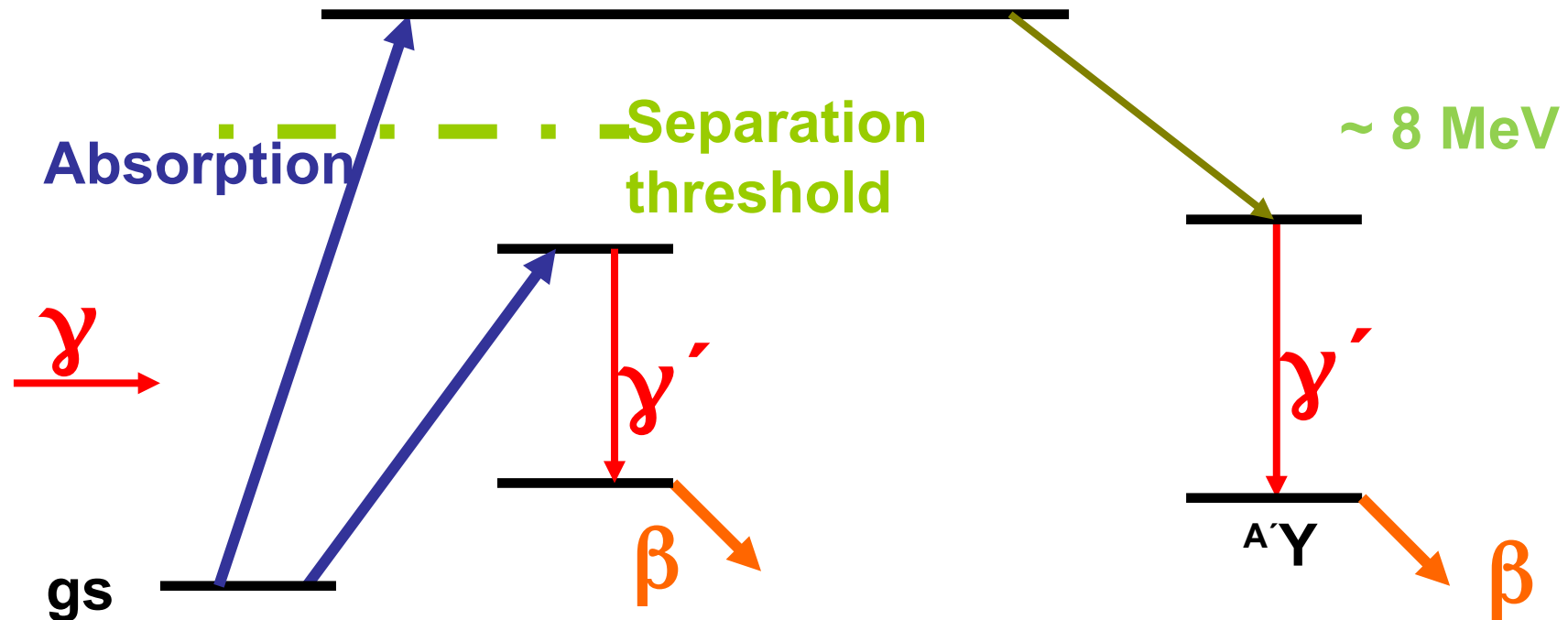


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What happens?

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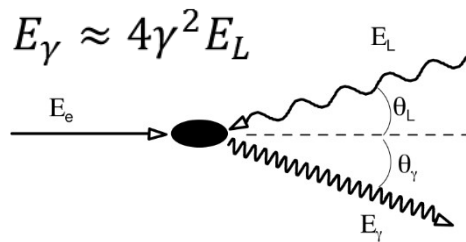


Nuclear Resonance Fluorescence (NRF)

Photoactivation

Photodisintegration (-activation)

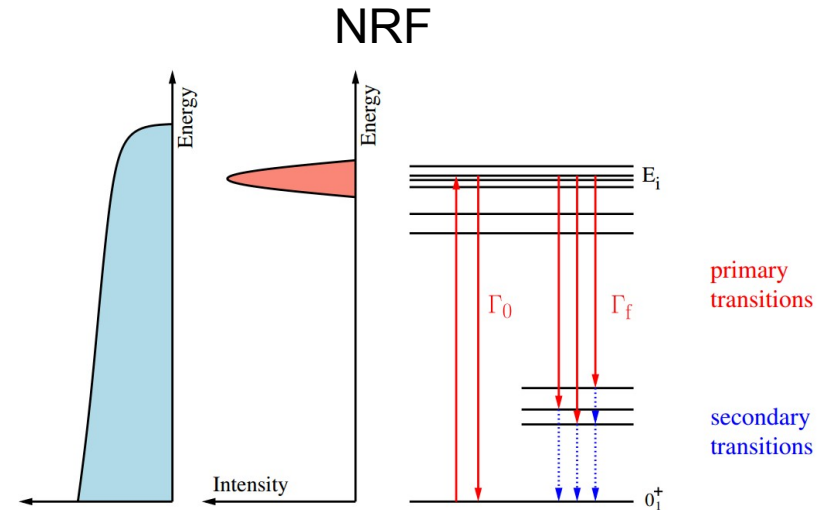
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Compton back-scattering, FEL



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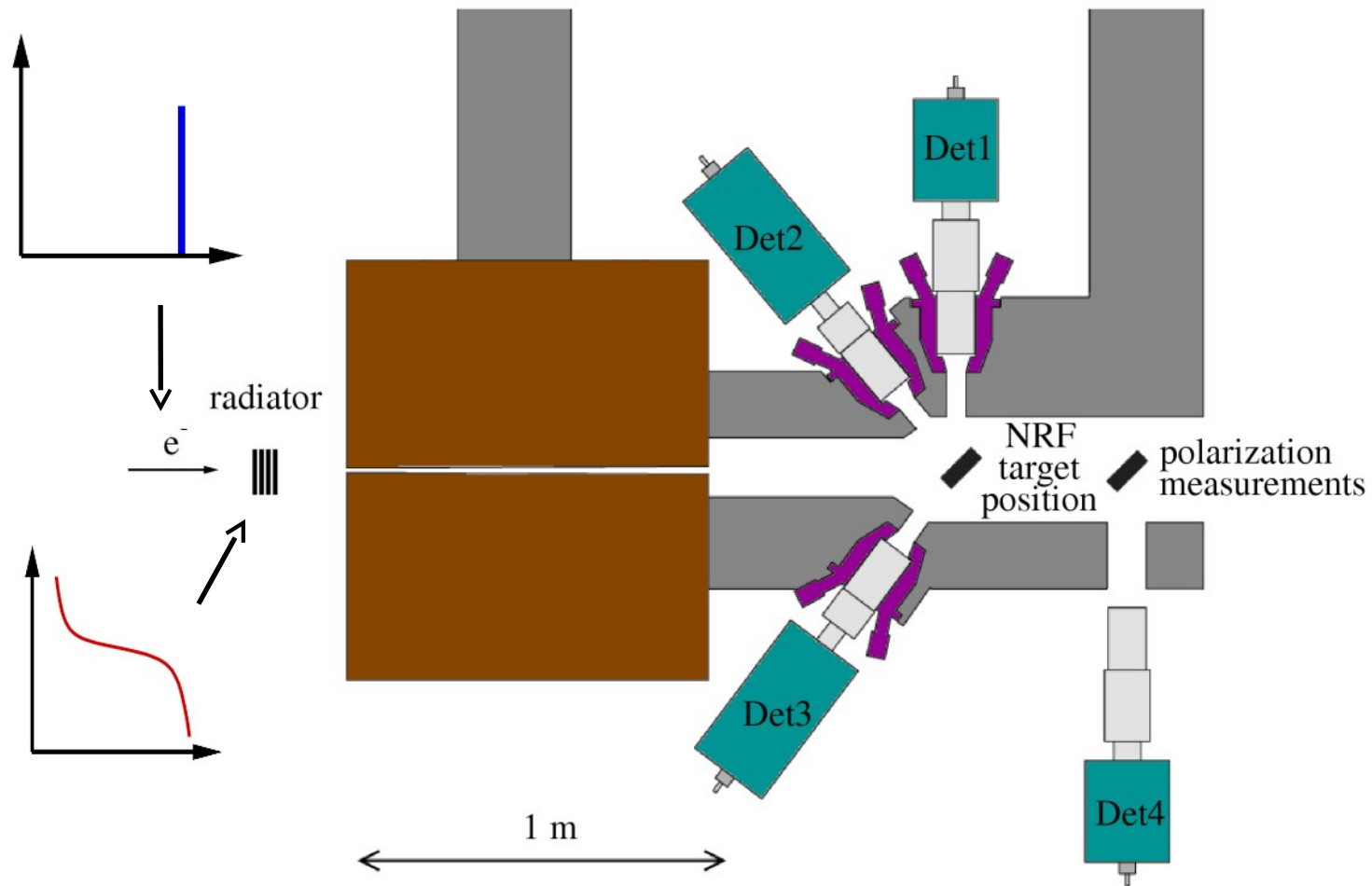


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Darmstadt High-Intensity Photon Setup (DHIPS)



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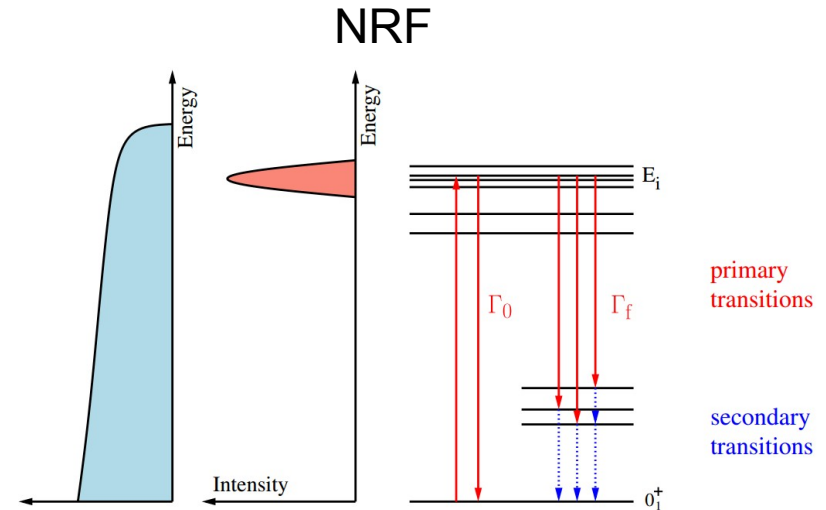
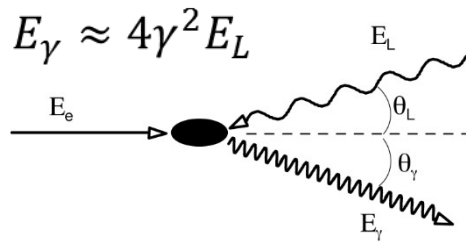


K. Sonnabend et al., NIM A 640, 6 (2011)

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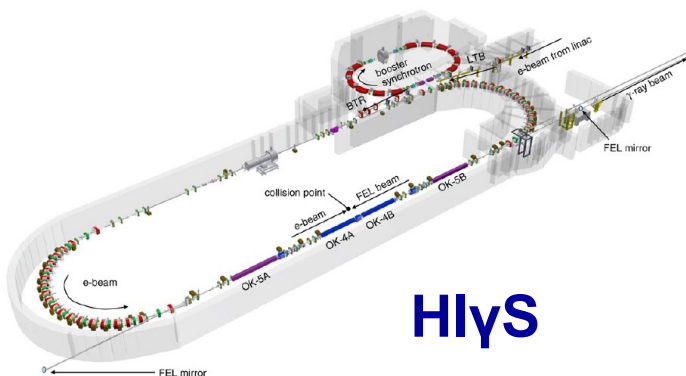
- “mono-energetic”
- ~fully polarized → polarization physics



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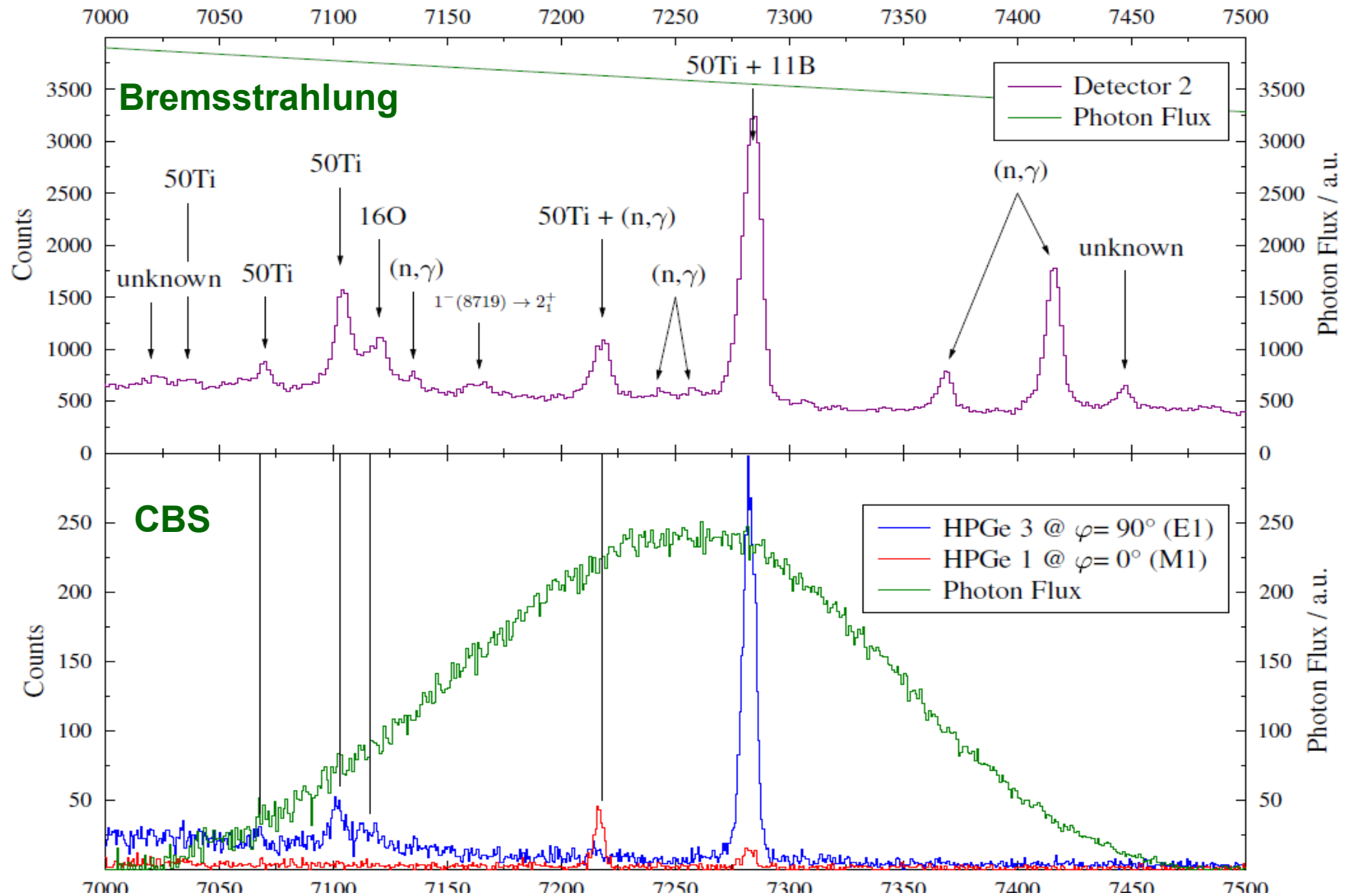
HγS



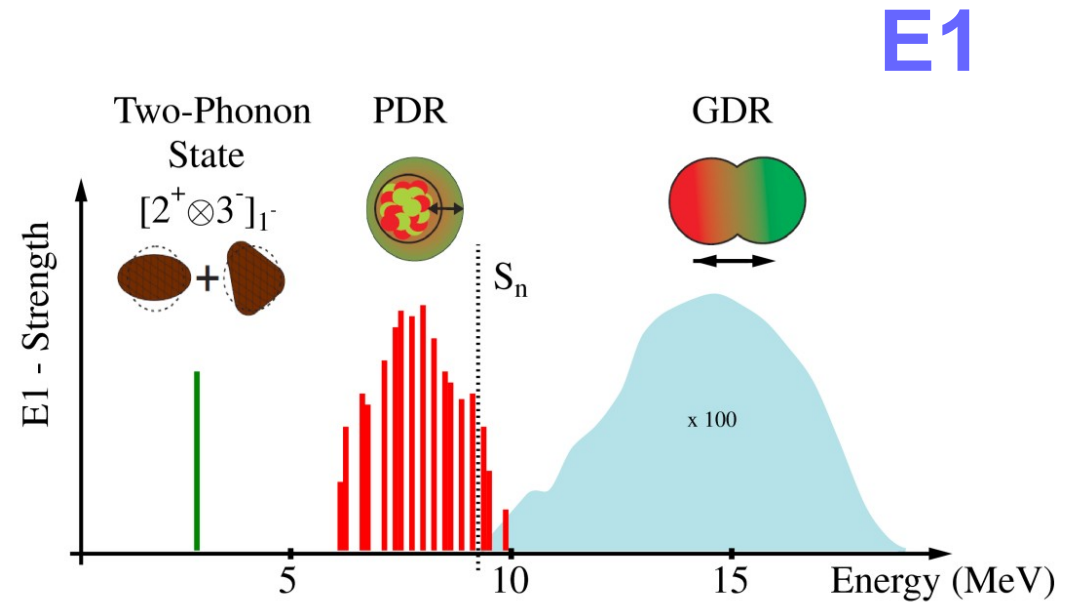
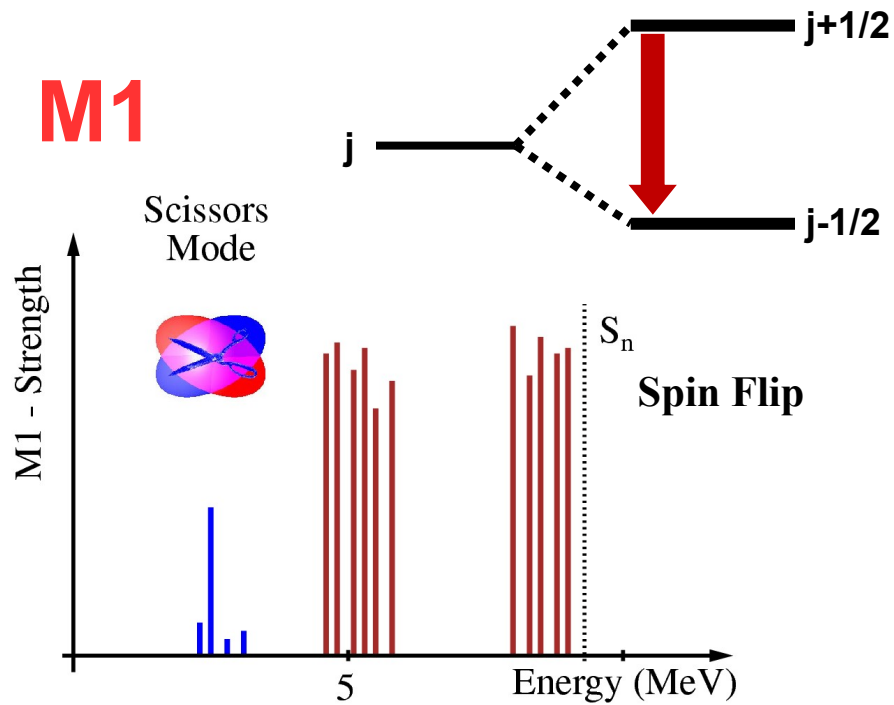
All CBS Beam Advantages in one picture



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Dipole Physics





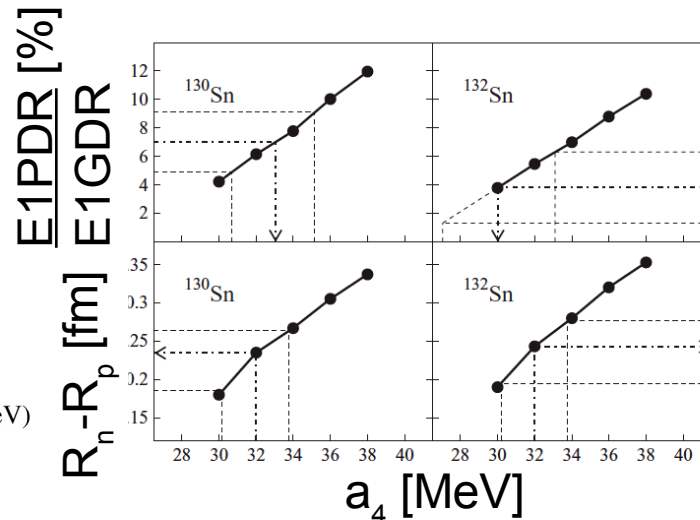
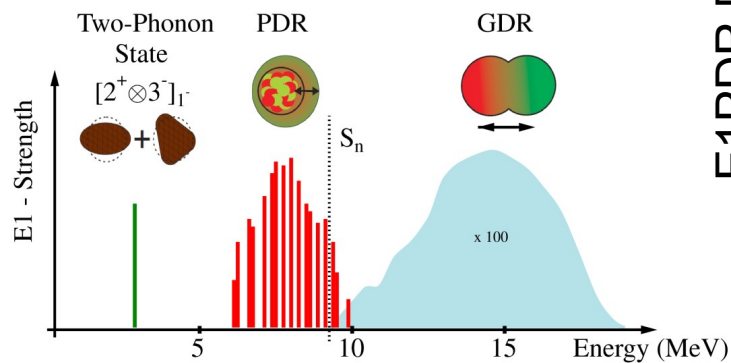
1. Example: nuclear EOS

PDR, Neutron Skin, and Asymmetry Parameter

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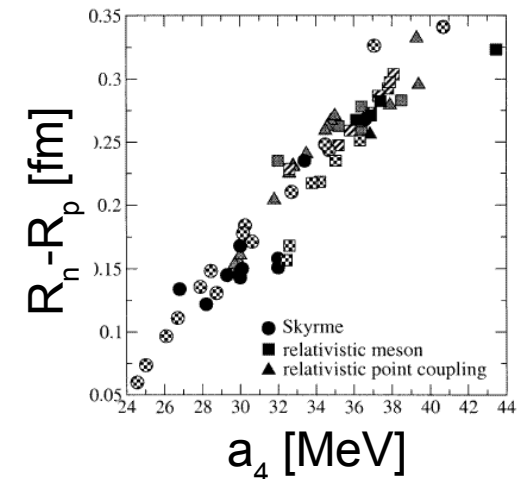
$$E(\rho, \alpha) = E(\rho, 0) + S_2(\rho)\alpha^2 + \dots$$

$$S_2(\rho) = \underline{a_4} + \frac{P_0}{\rho_0^2}(\rho - \rho_0) + \dots$$



A. Klimkiewicz, Nils Paar et al,
PRC 76 (2007) 051603(R)

QRPA



R.J.Furnstahl NPA 706(2002)85-110

EFT / Mean Field

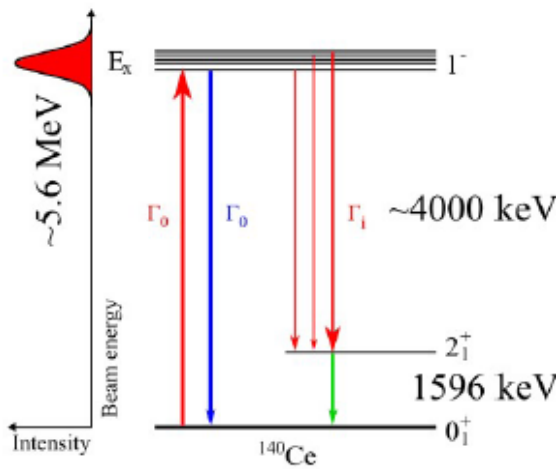
**Models indicate asymmetry parameter dependence on neutron skin !
There seems to be correlation to PDR strength.**

(under debate!)

First Coincidence Spectroscopy



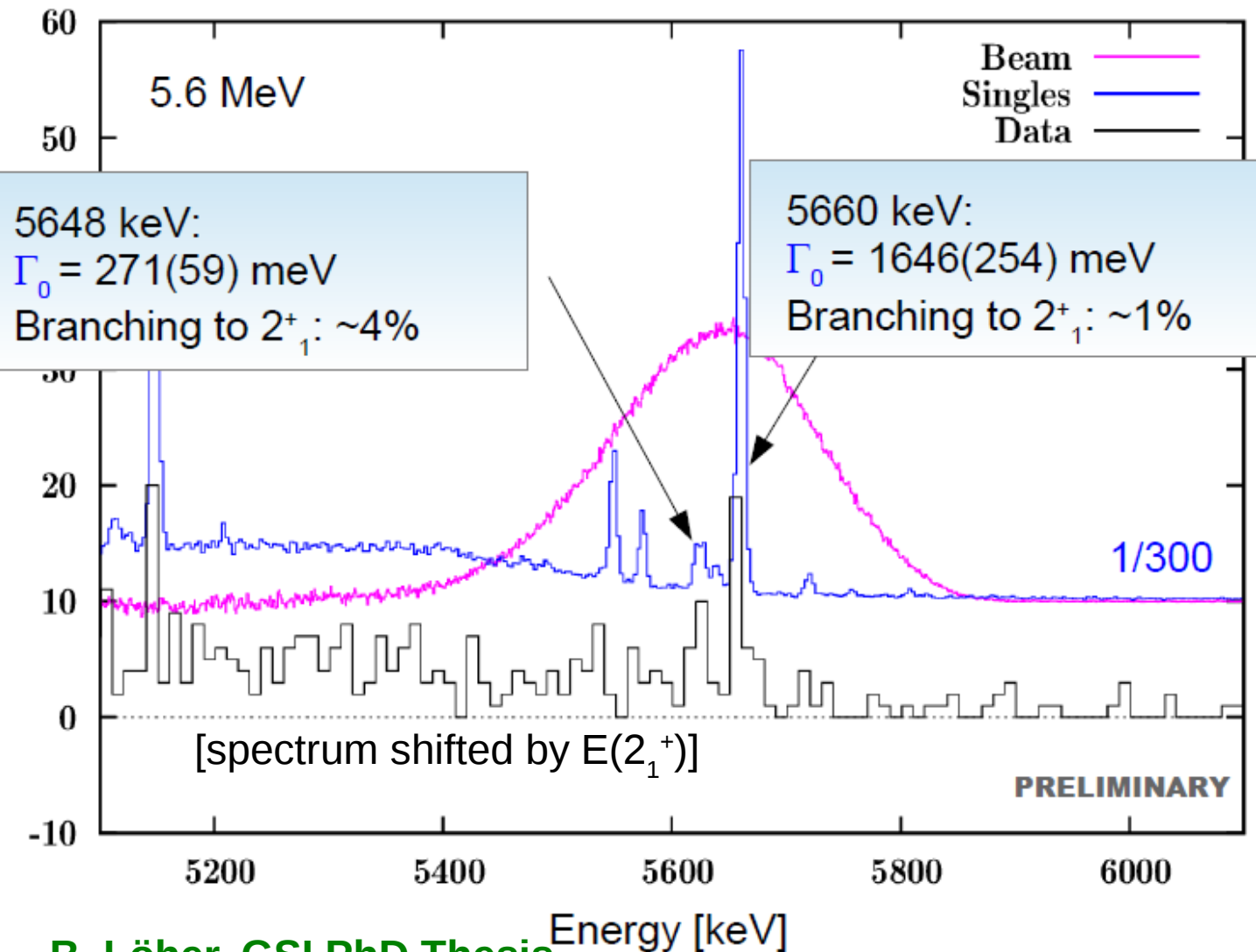
Gate on LaBr → HPGe spectra



$$E(2_1^+) = 1596 \text{ keV}$$



- Present Experiments at HlyS
- First coincidence γ -spectroscopy

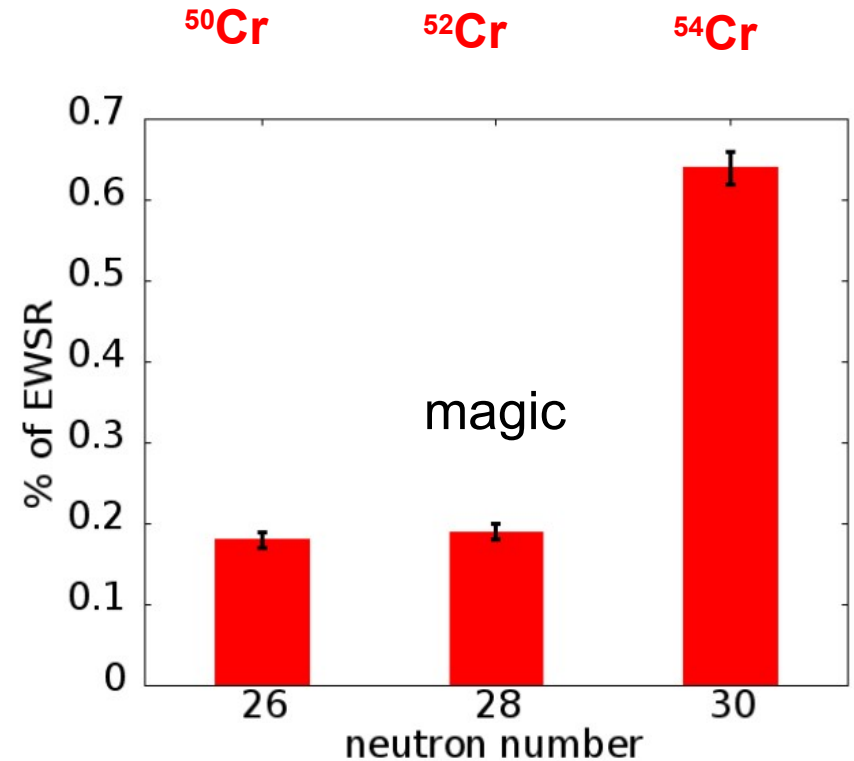
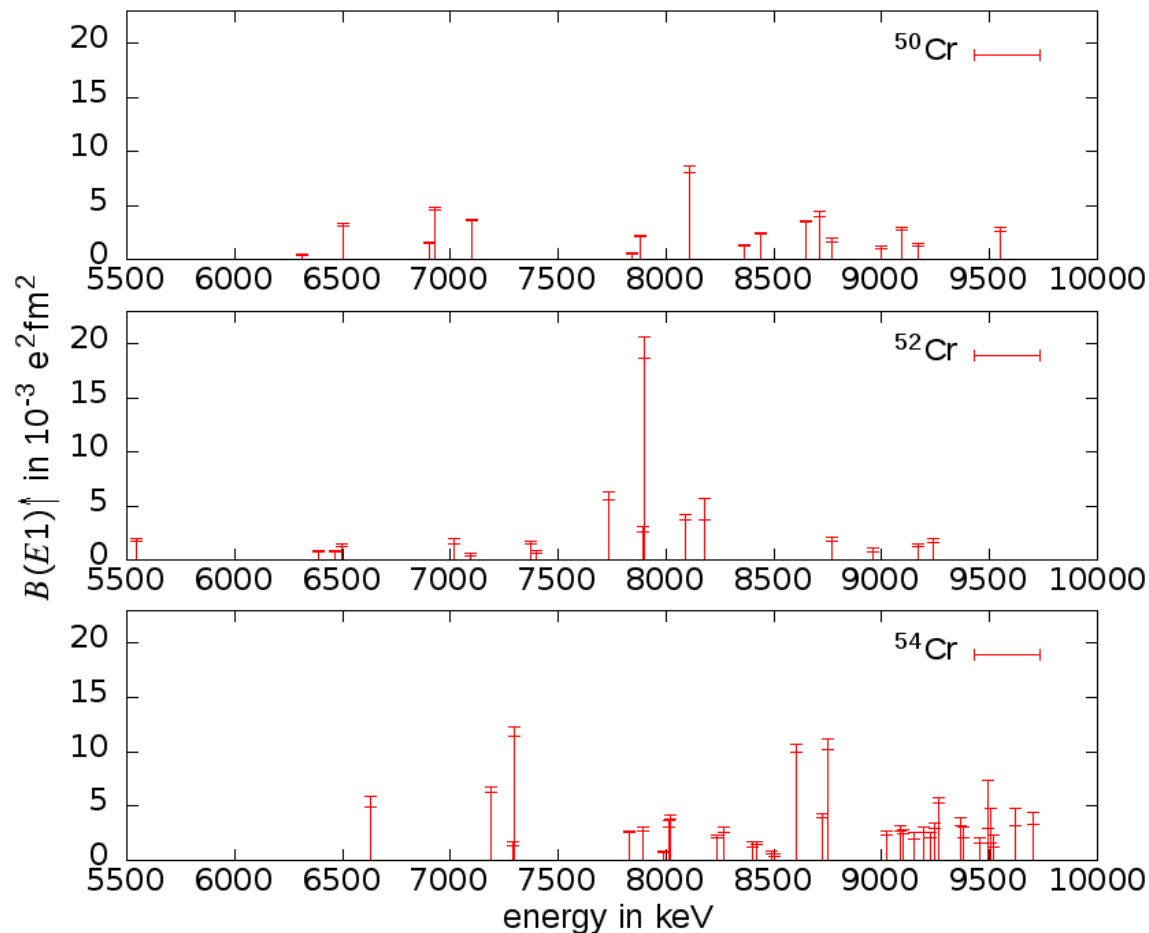


B. Löher, GSI PhD Thesis

Origin of the PDR – Shell Effects



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H. Pai et al., Phys. Rev C **88**, 054316 (2013)
P. Ries, MA Thesis, TU Darmstadt (2016)

There clearly seems to be an effect crossing N=28 !



2. Example: $0\nu\beta\beta$ Decay

0- or 2-Neutrino Double-Beta Decay

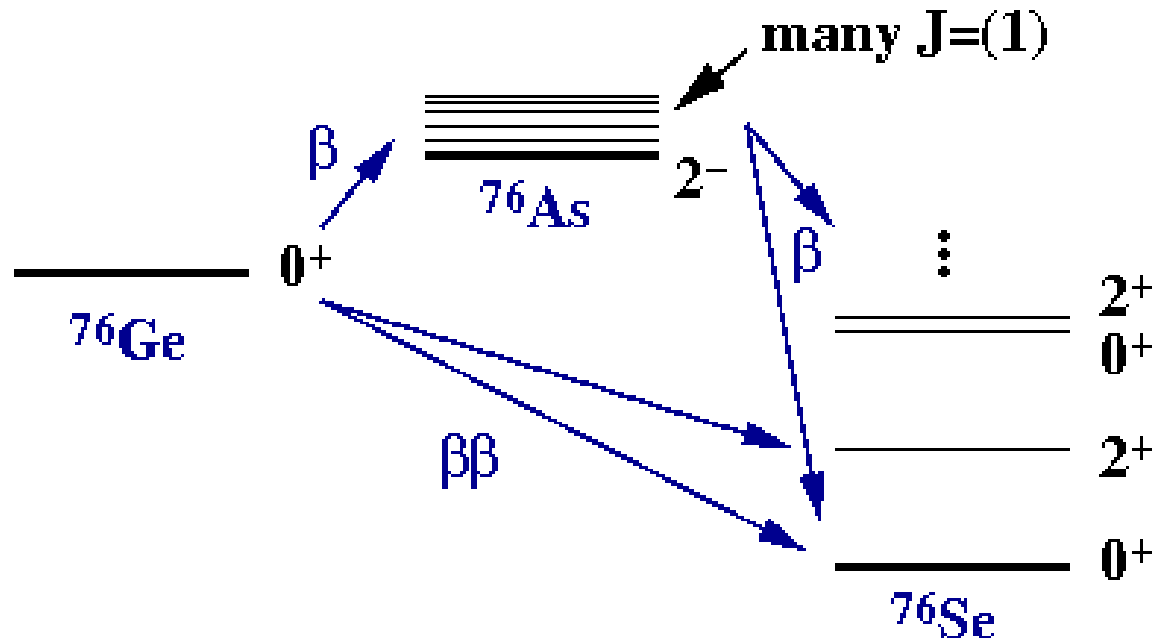
What is the fundamental nature of the neutrino, and what is its mass ?

Heidelberg-Moskow, Gerda, etc...

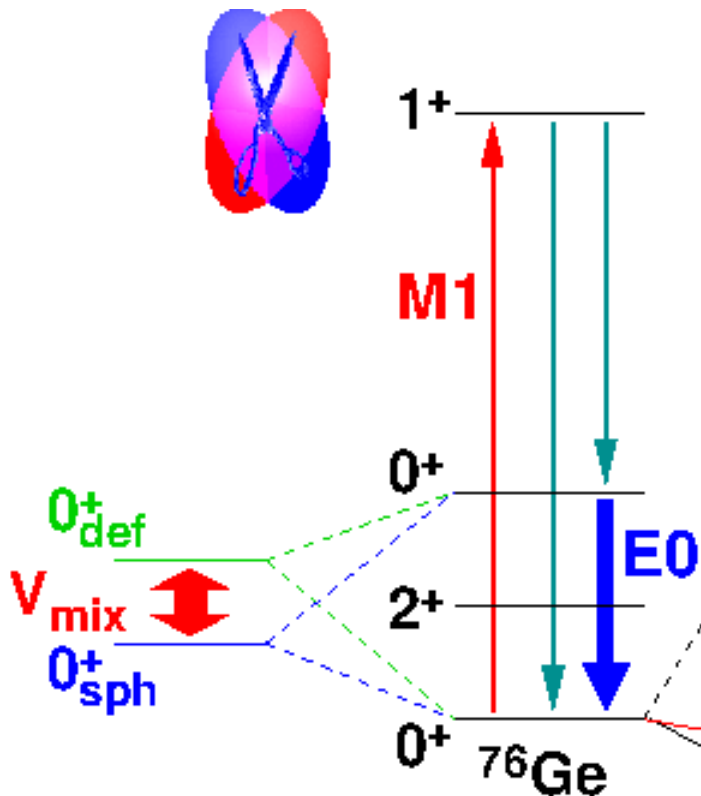
$$\Gamma = G |M|^2 |m_{\beta\beta}|^2$$

nuclear matrix element

Can only be obtained from theory, e.g. QRPA, shell model, IBM.

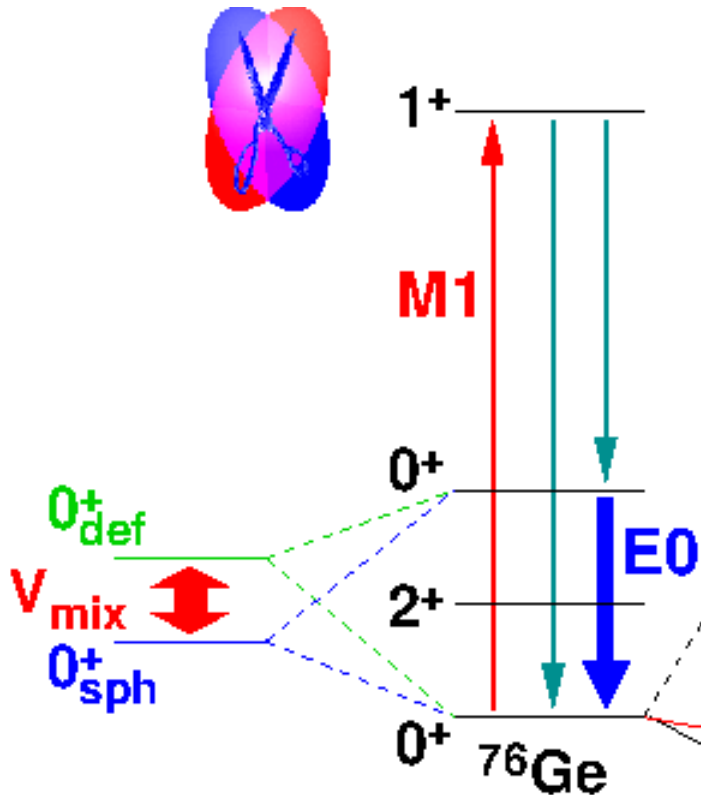


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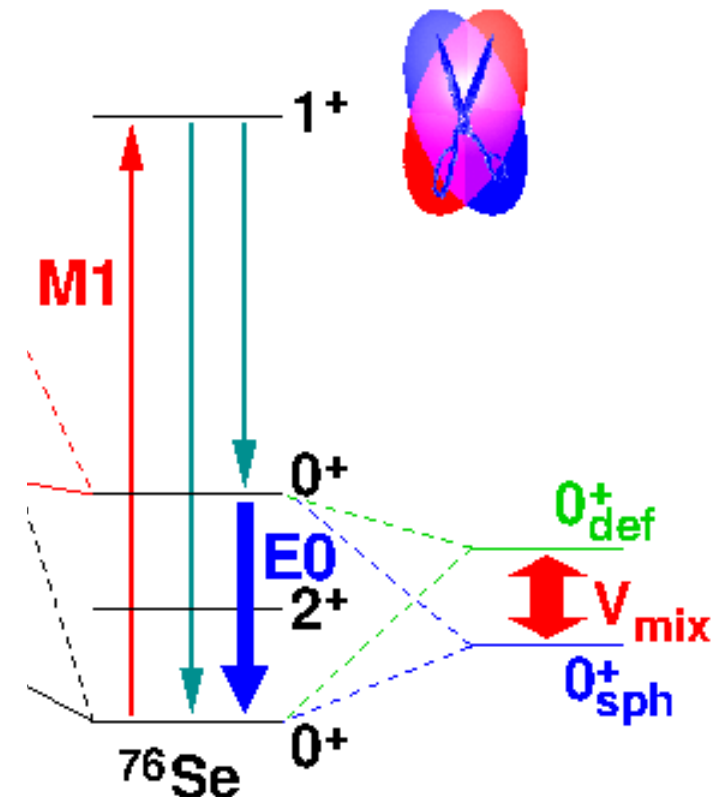


- Scissors Mode excited from sph/def mixed state
- Will decay to both 0^+ states, same configurations in both !
- Search for Scissors Mode Branching to excited 0^+ state
- Complementary observable for shape/configuration mixing: E0-strength

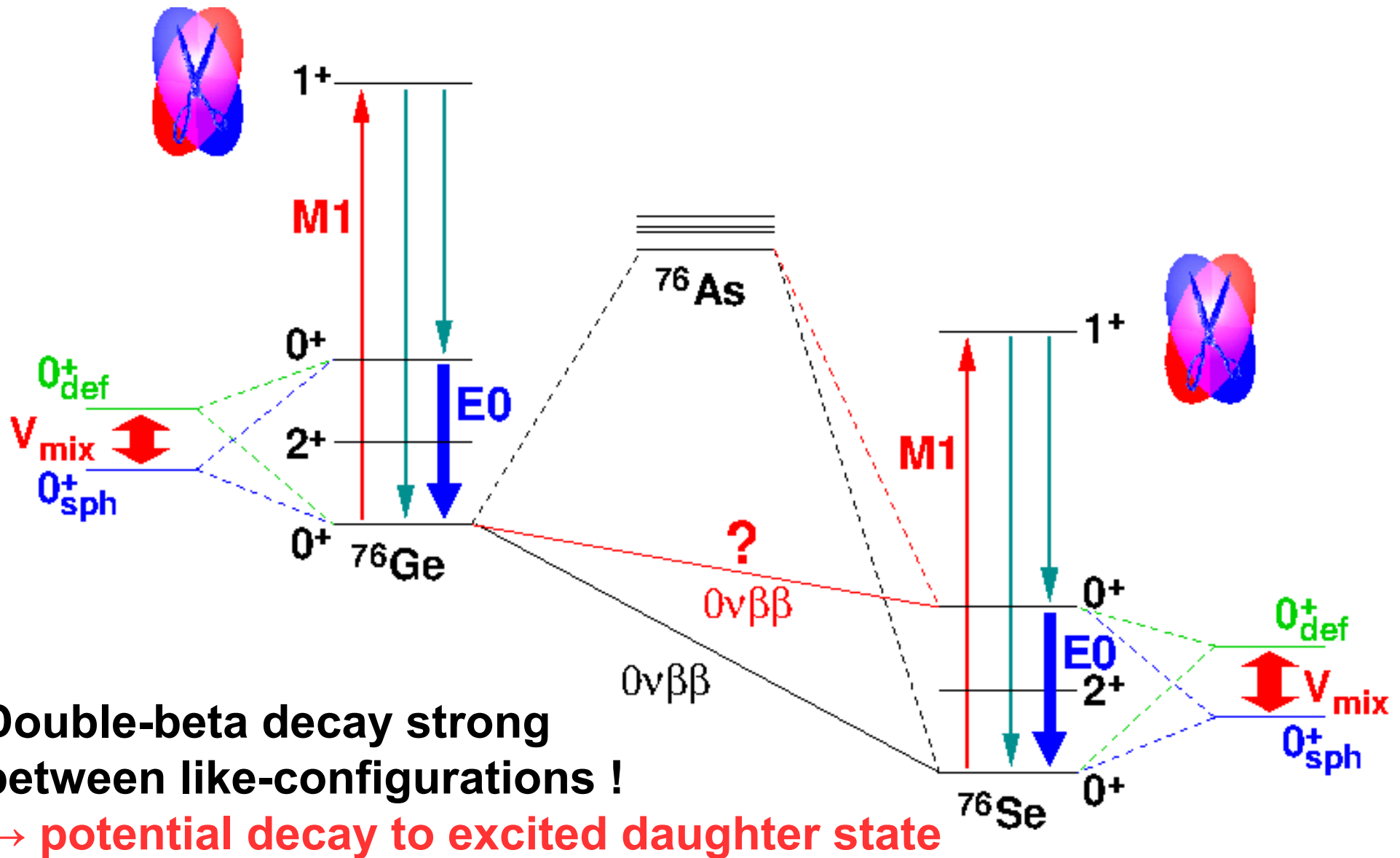
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Same can (and does) happen for mother and daughter isotopes



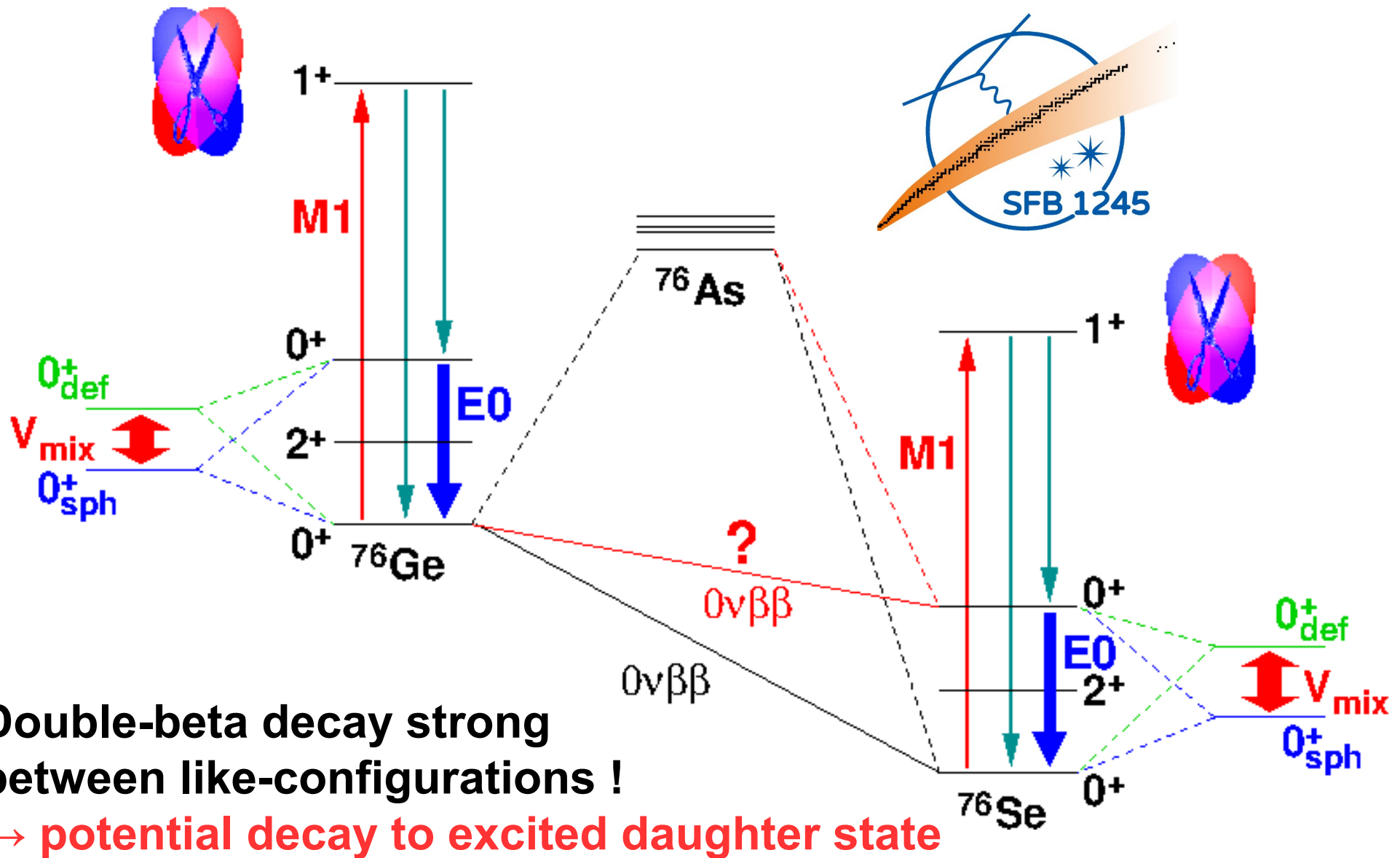
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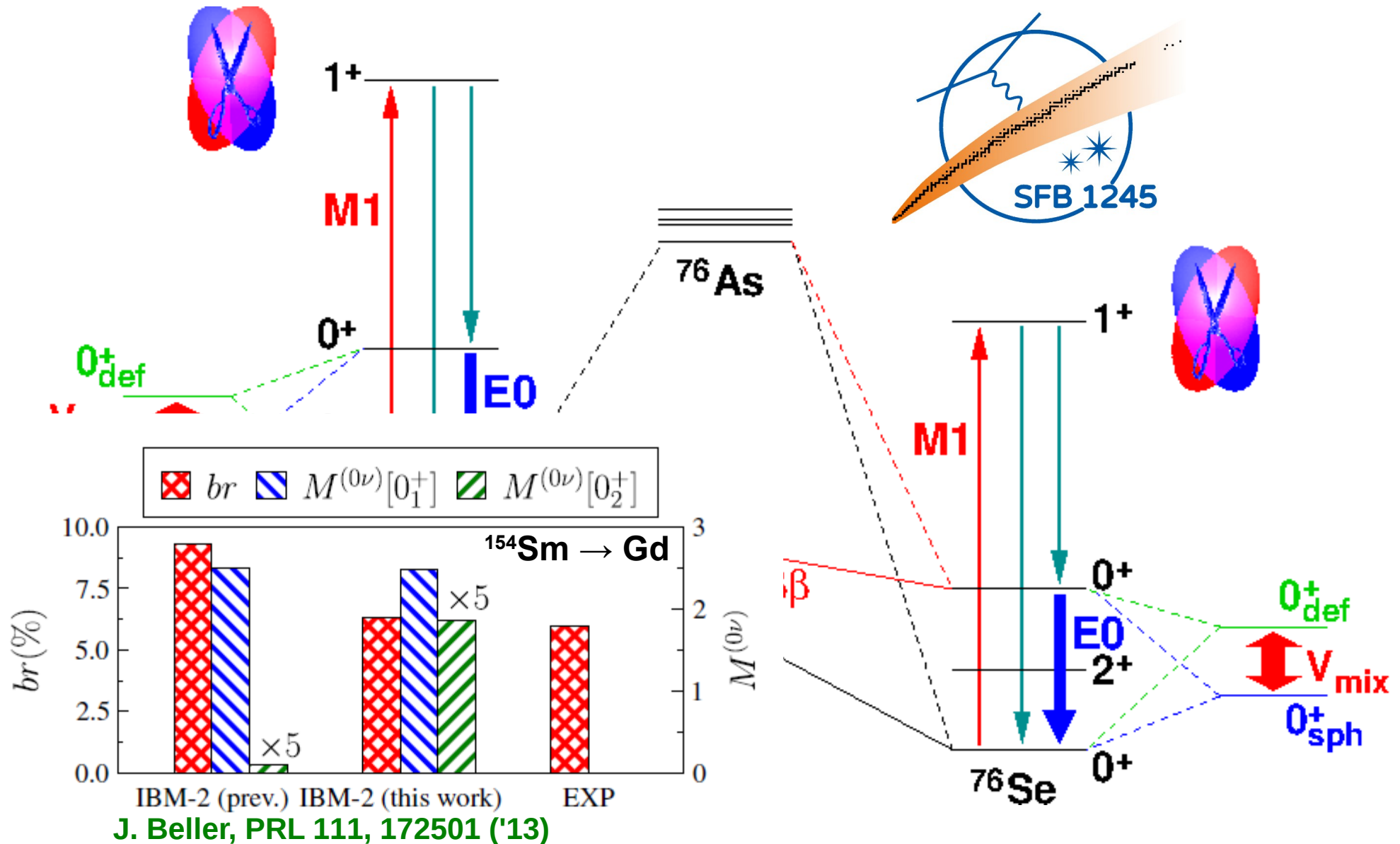
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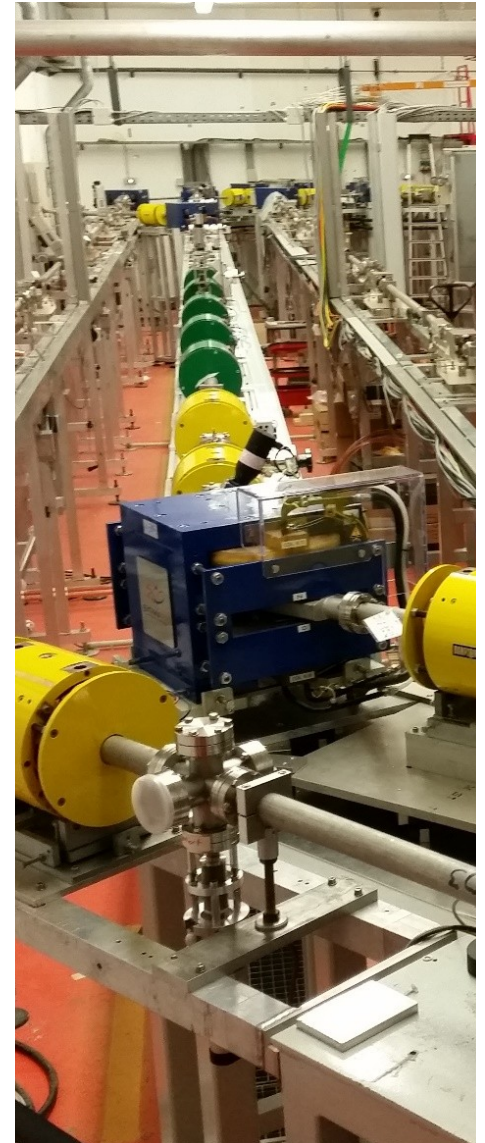
- Nuclear (**Multi-**)Polarimetry
- Collective Structures
- Multi-Phonon States
- Single-Particle Structures
- Spin-Isospin response
- Photofission.
- M1 Response (→ **Neutrino Detection**)
- Photo-activation
- (polarized electron source just built)

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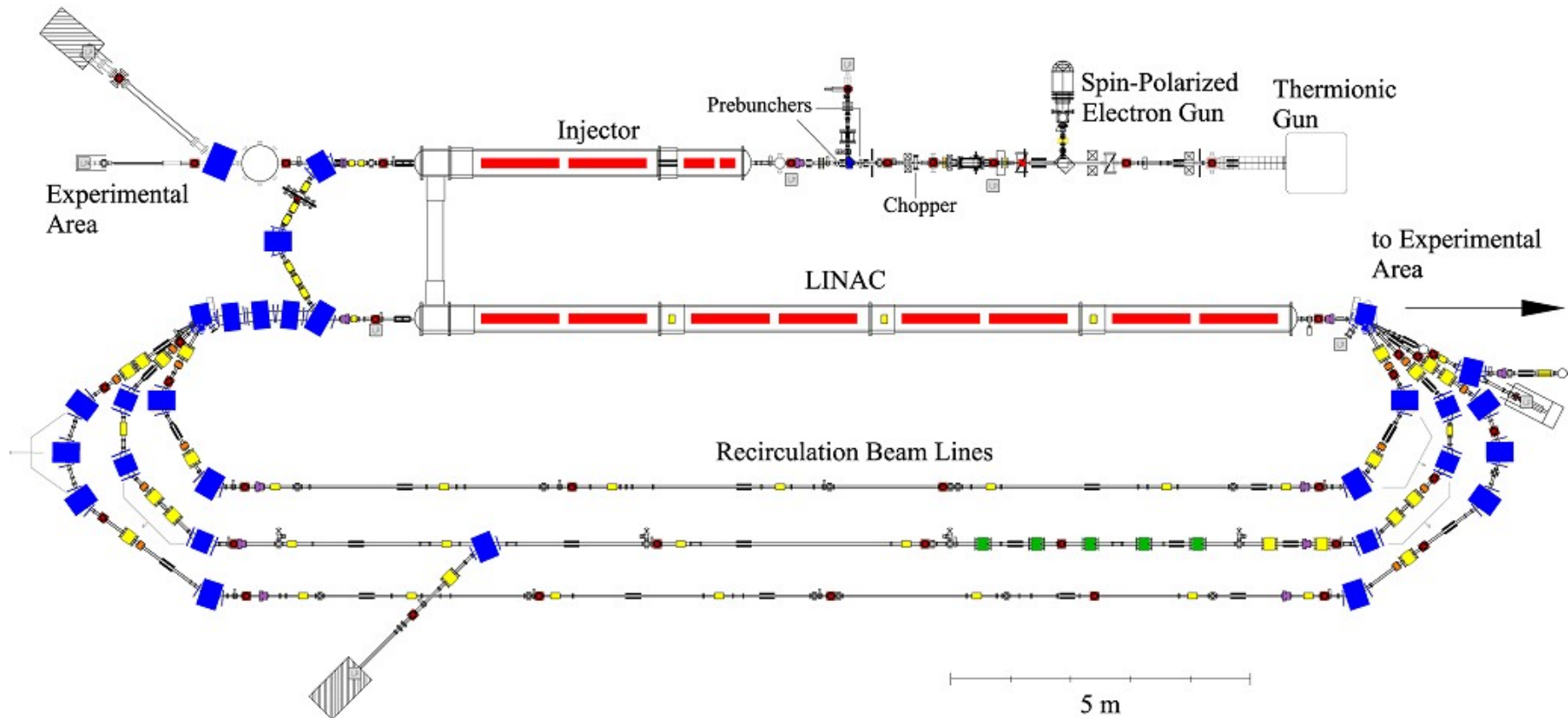


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- Major research instrument for high-resolution nuclear research with electromagnetic probes
- Key facility in CRC 634 (2003 - 2015)
- Major facility of CRC 1245 (since 2016)
 - Off-yrast nuclear spectroscopy (electron-scattering)
 - Photonuclear reactions (bremsstrahlung)
- Key facility of RTG 2128 (since 2016) - Research on ERL



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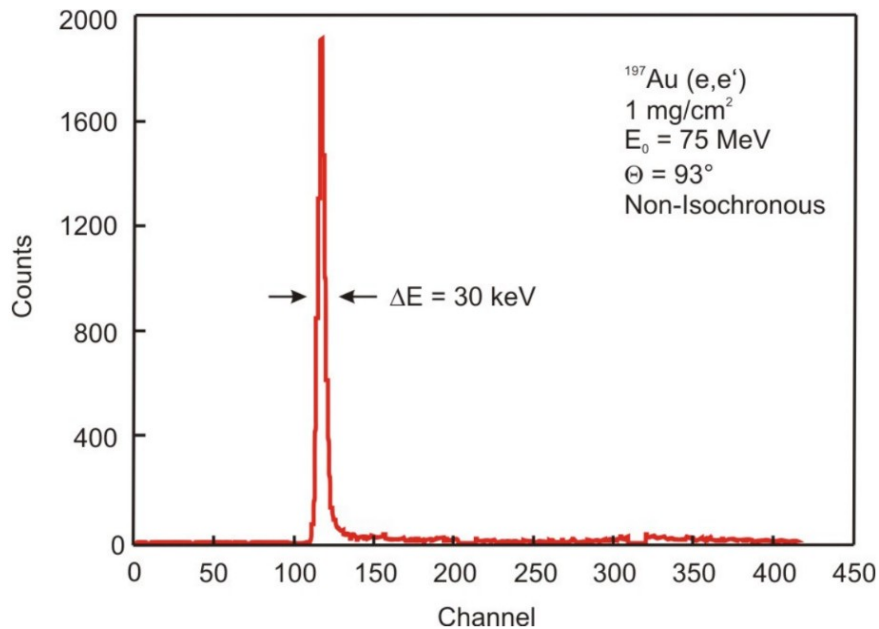
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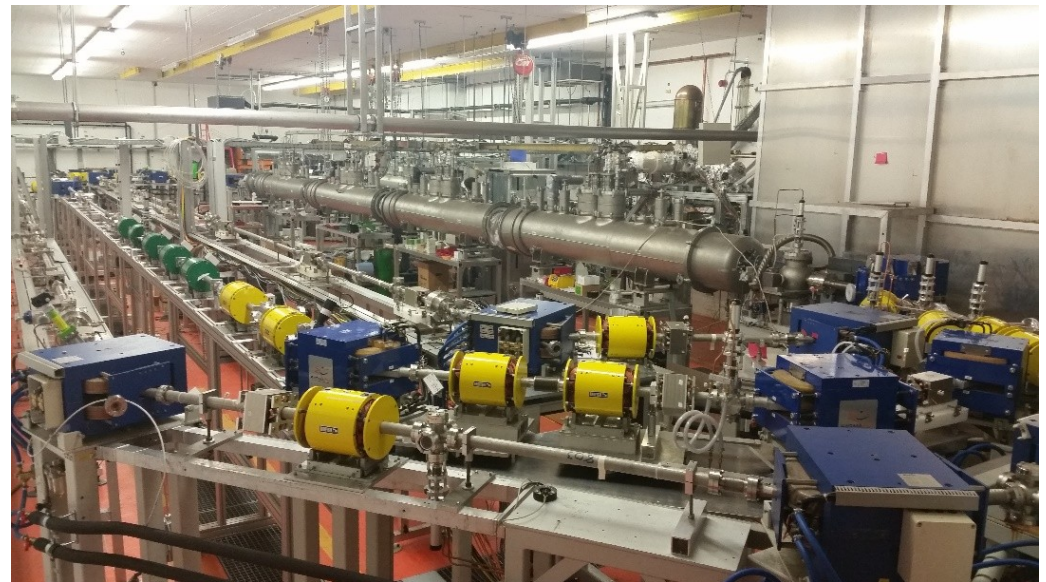
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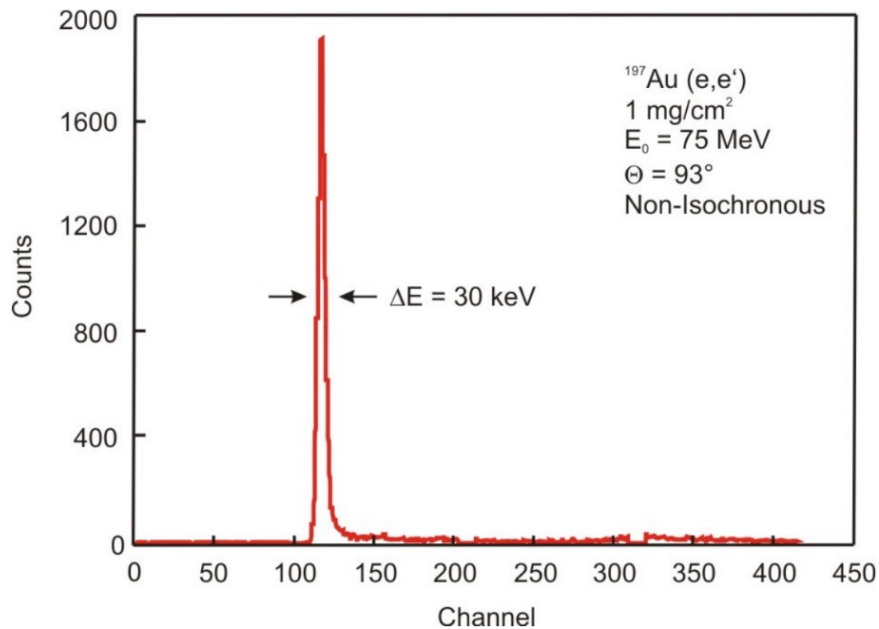


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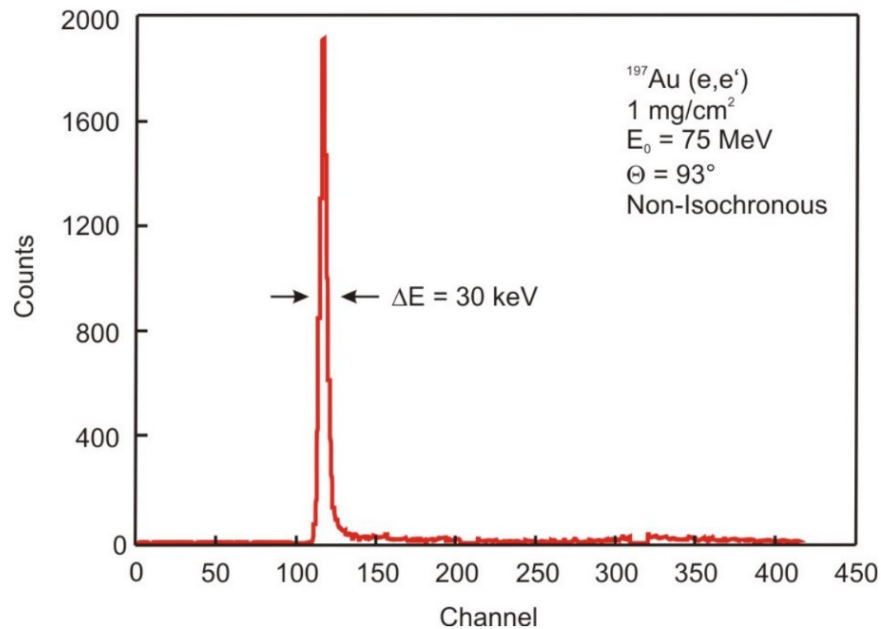


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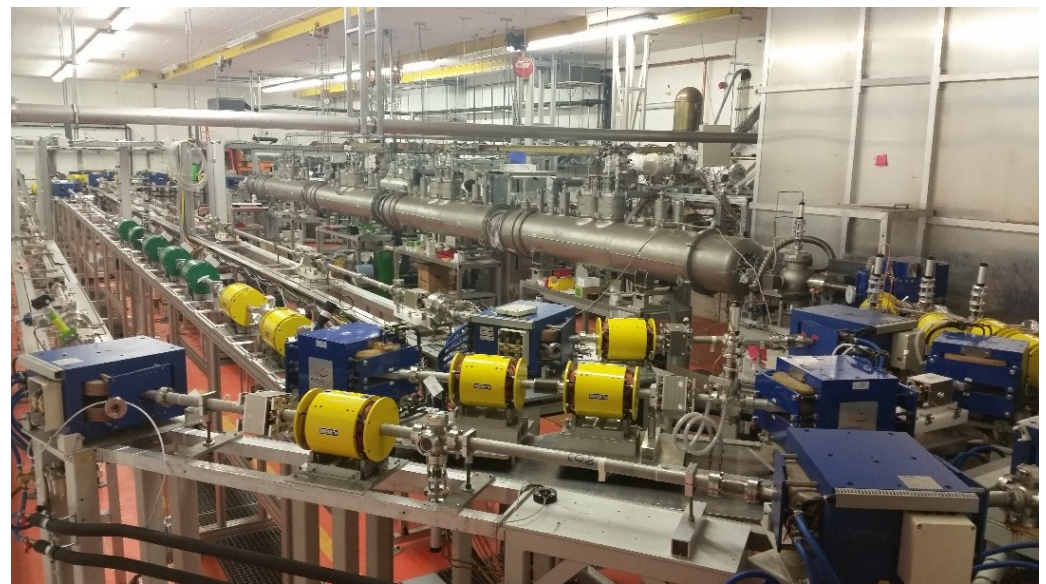
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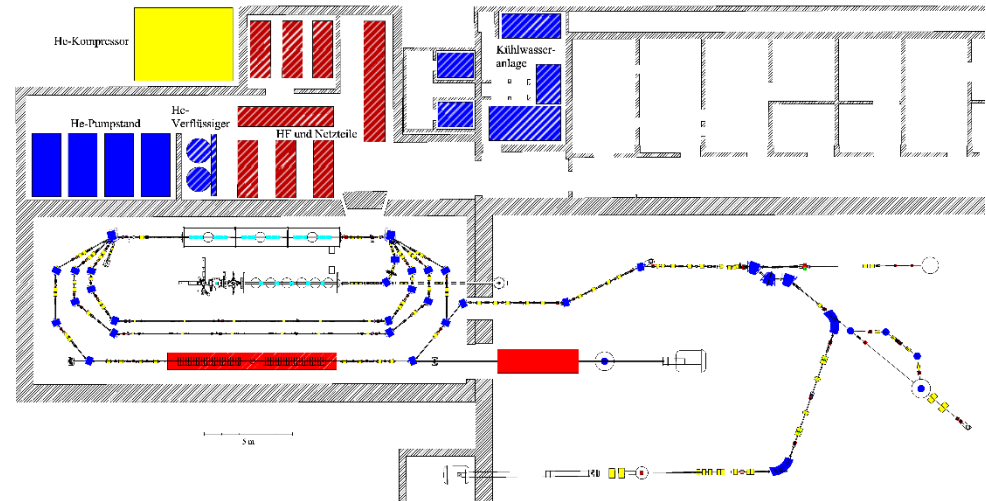
Vision: Advanced S-DALINAC



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Needs

- **Highest energy resolution**
 - Low-emittance injector
 - Linear accelerator
 - Non-isochronous mode
- **High repetition rates**
 - Superconducting RF
 - cw operation
- **Quasi-monochromatic gamma-ray beams**
 - FEL
 - Compton back-scattering
- **Energy saving / intensity increase**
 - ERL



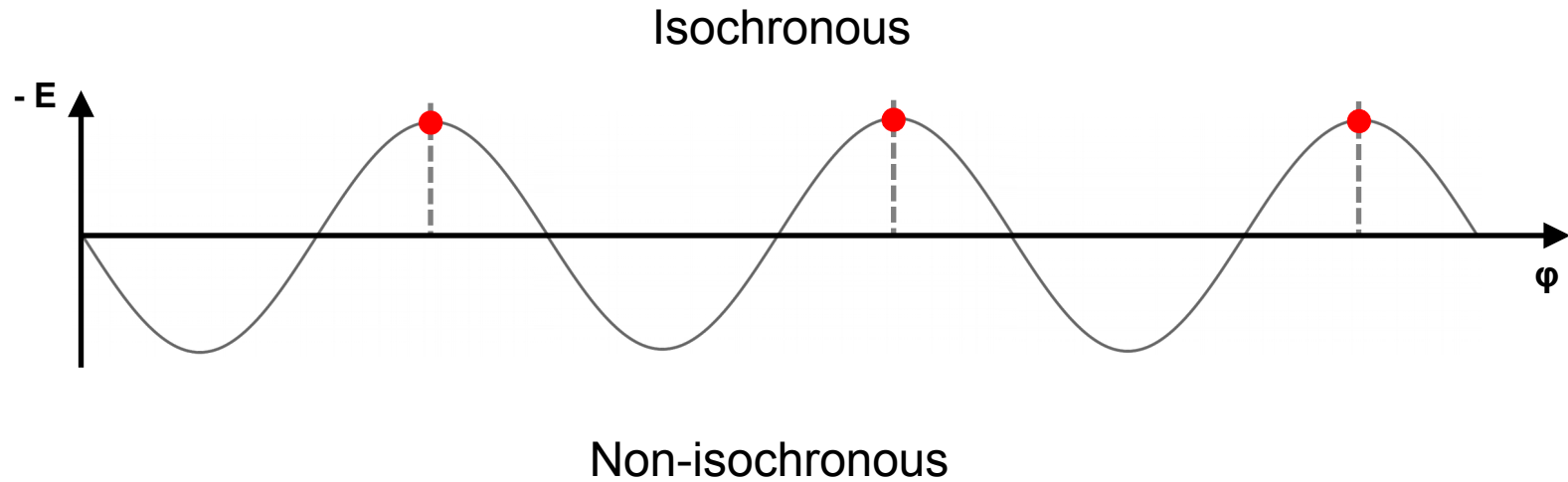
Additional benefit

- **High-resolution electron scattering**
- **Research on ERL and FEL for improved γ -production processes**

Isochronous/Non-Isochronous ERL



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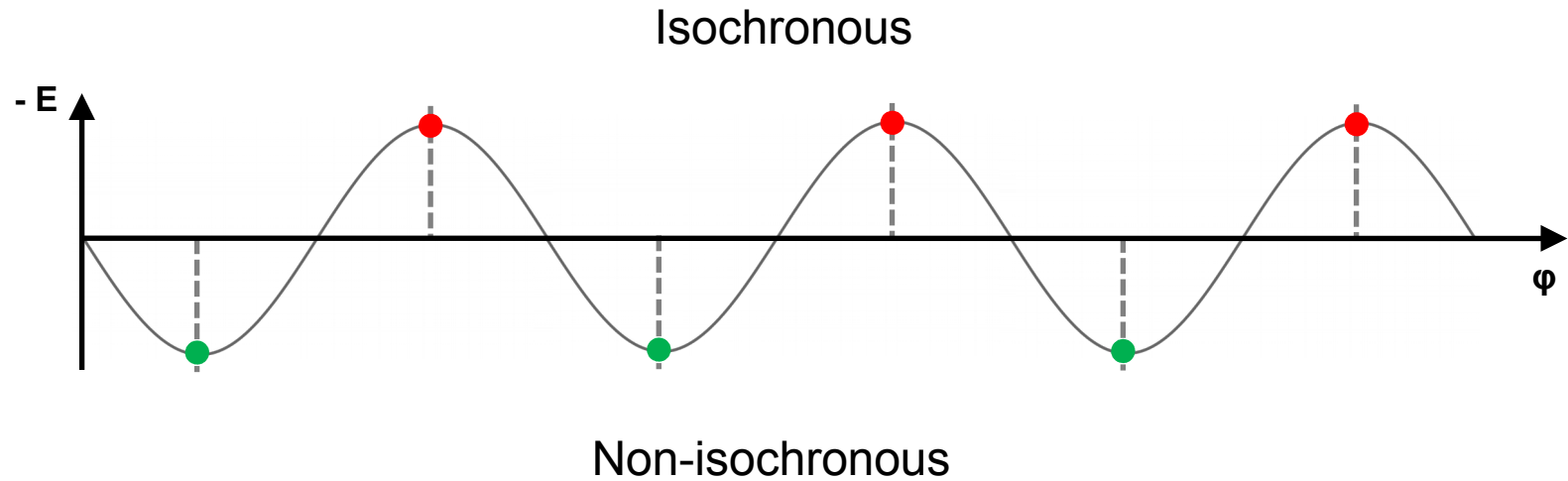
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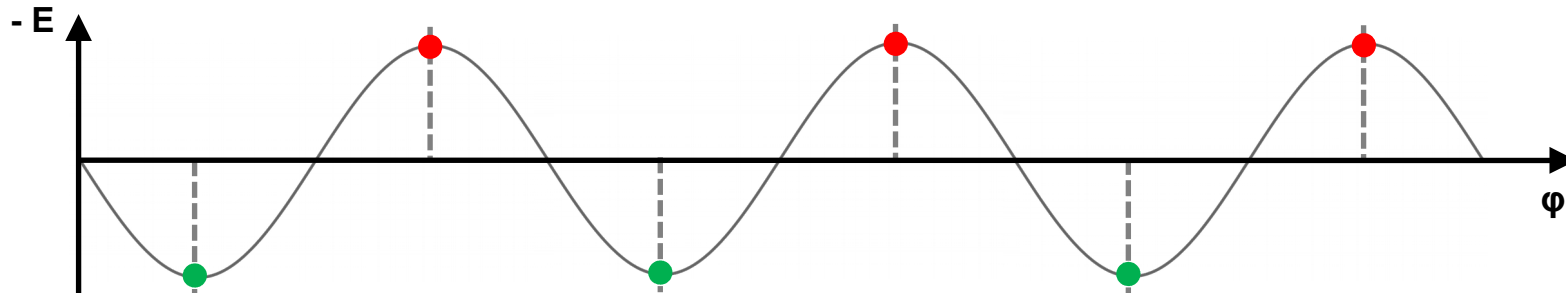


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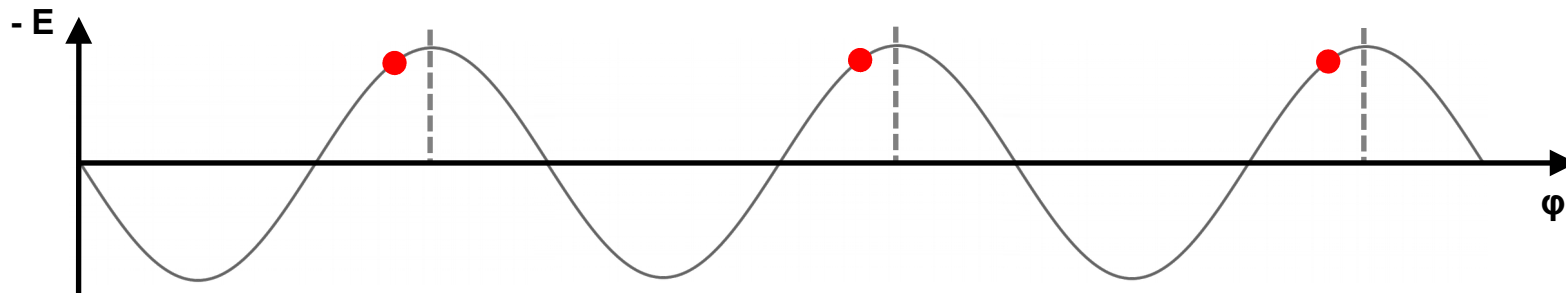
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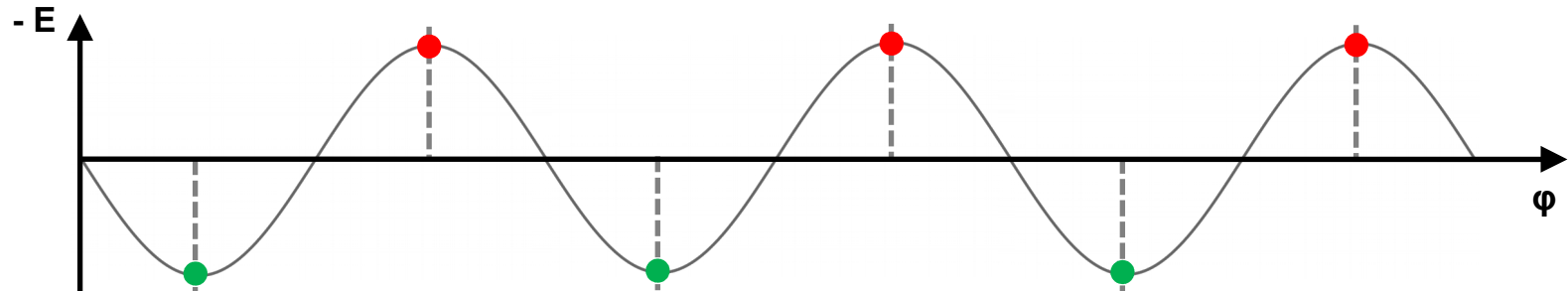


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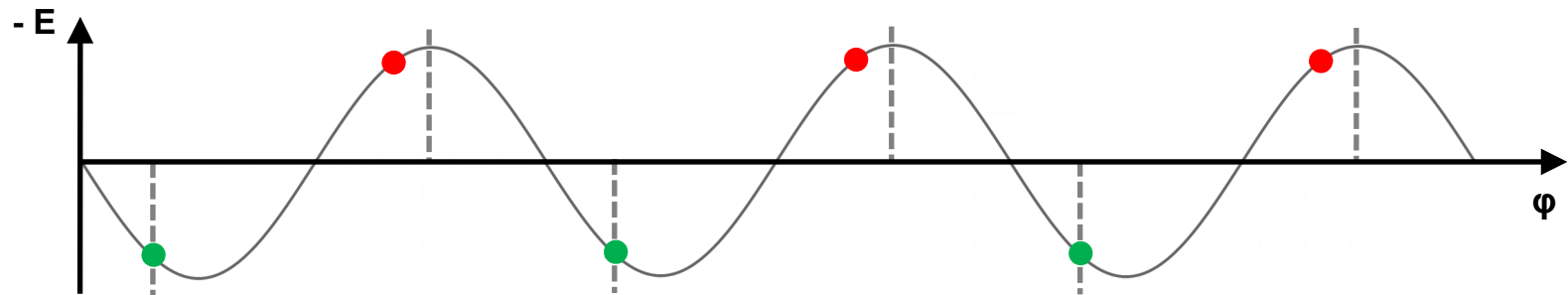
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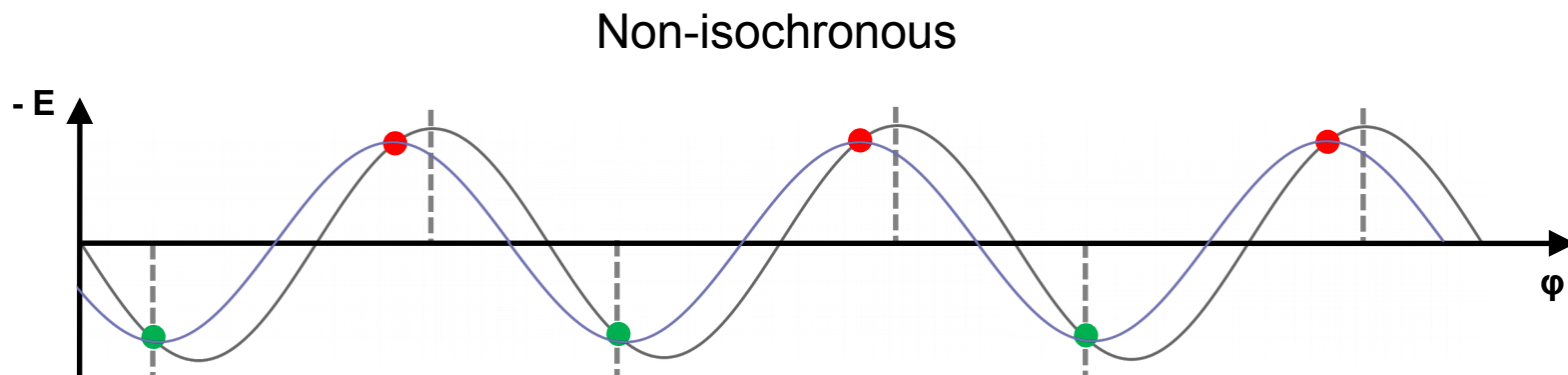
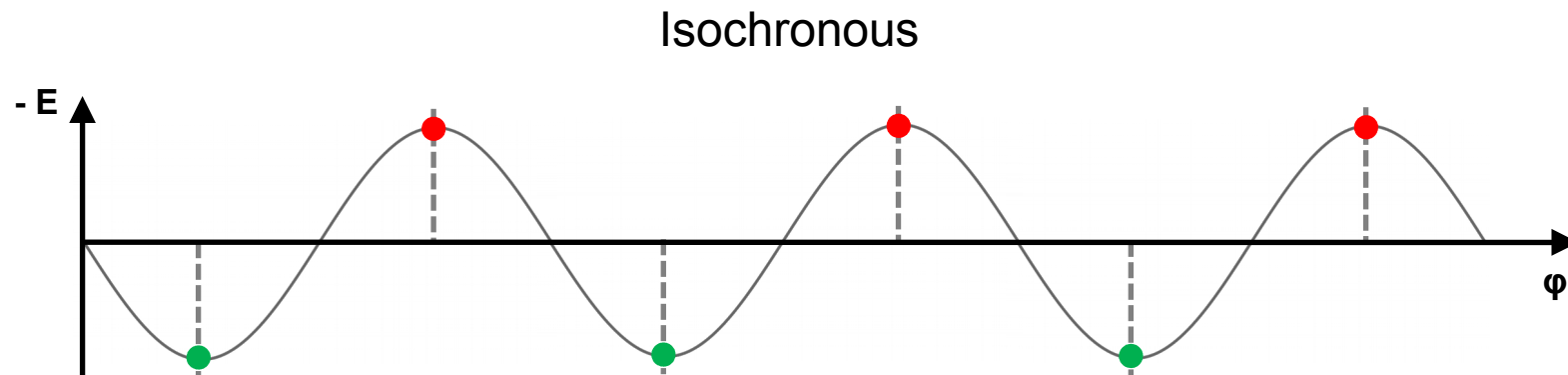
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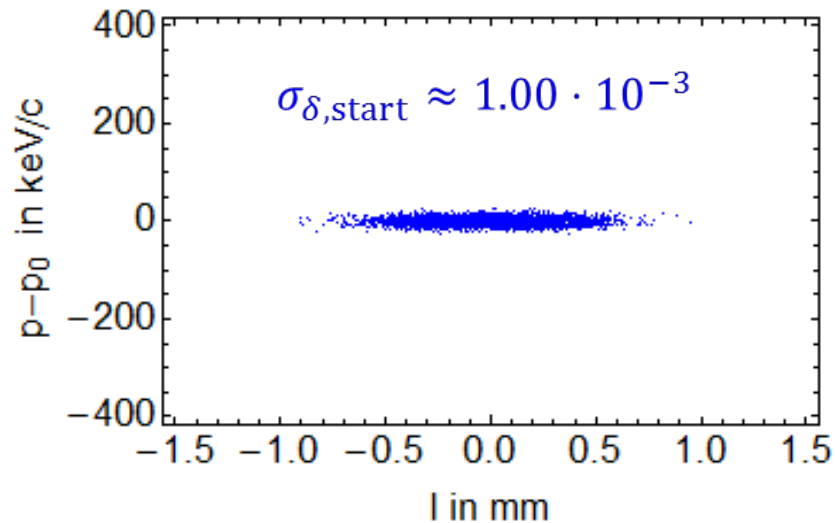
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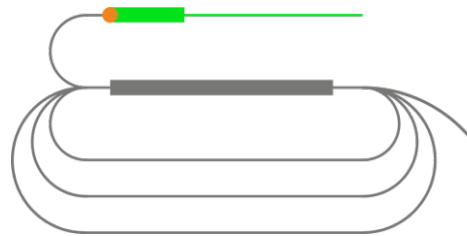
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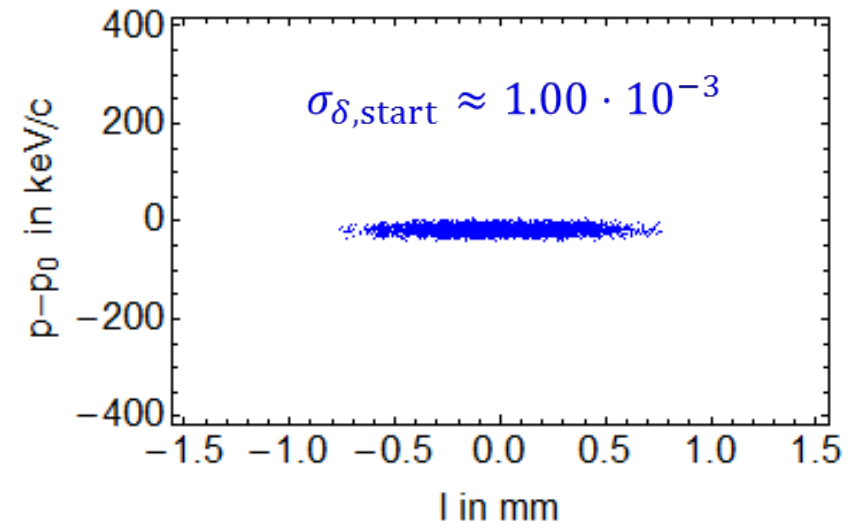


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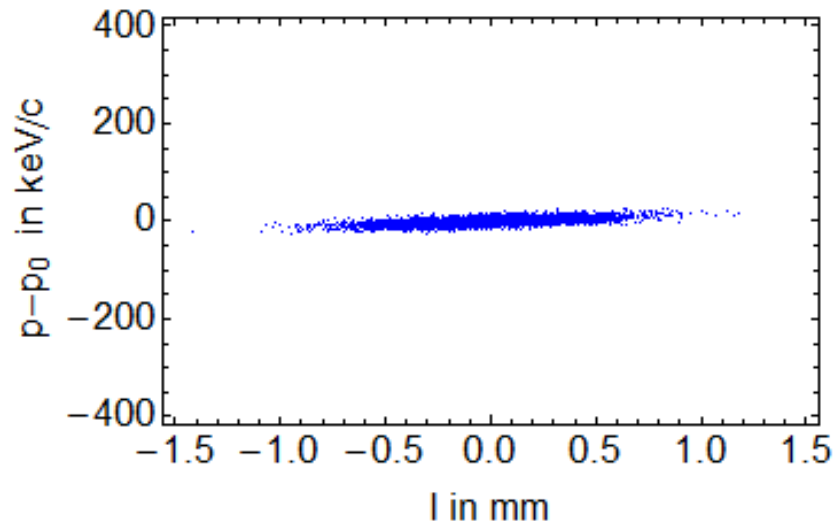
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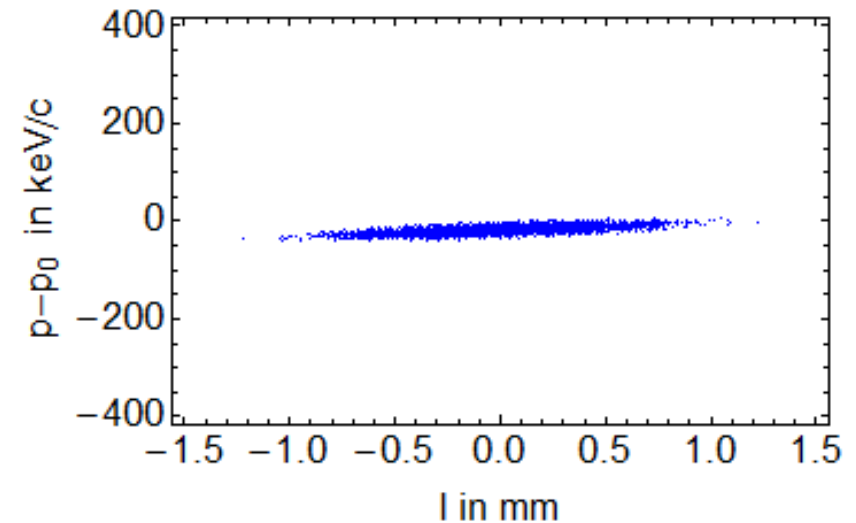
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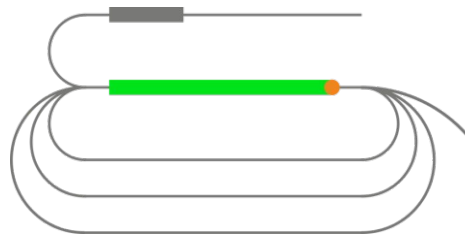
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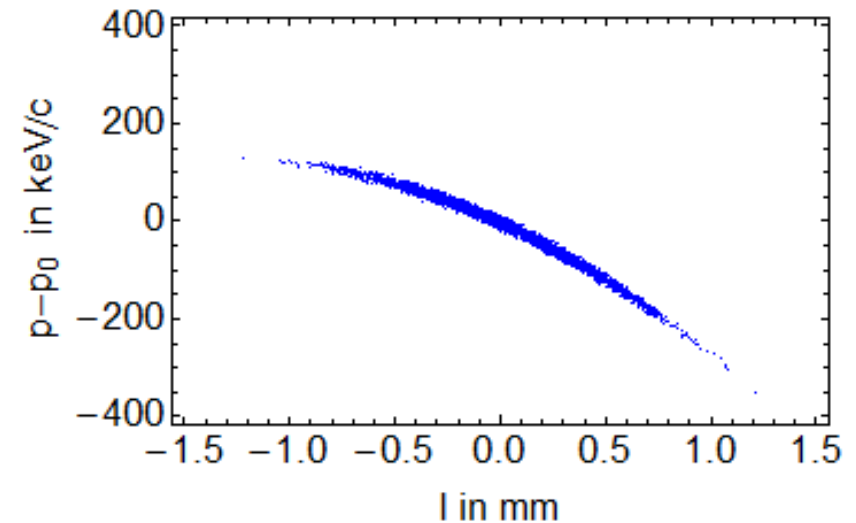
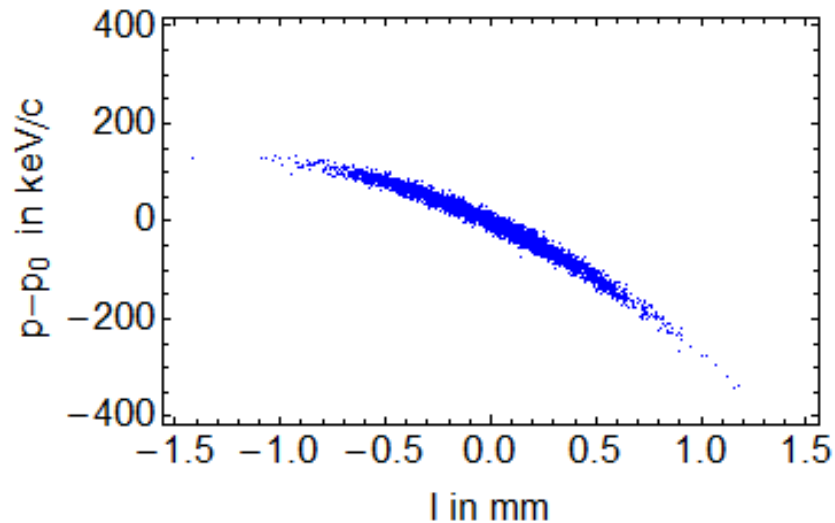
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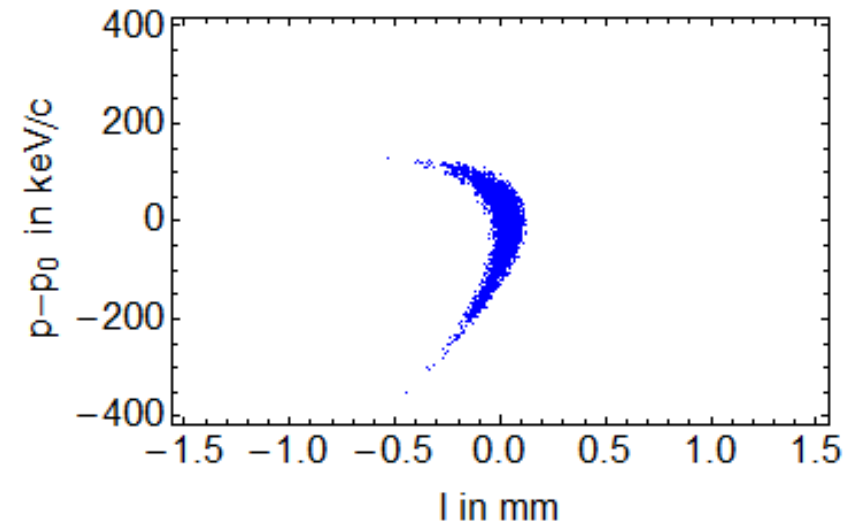
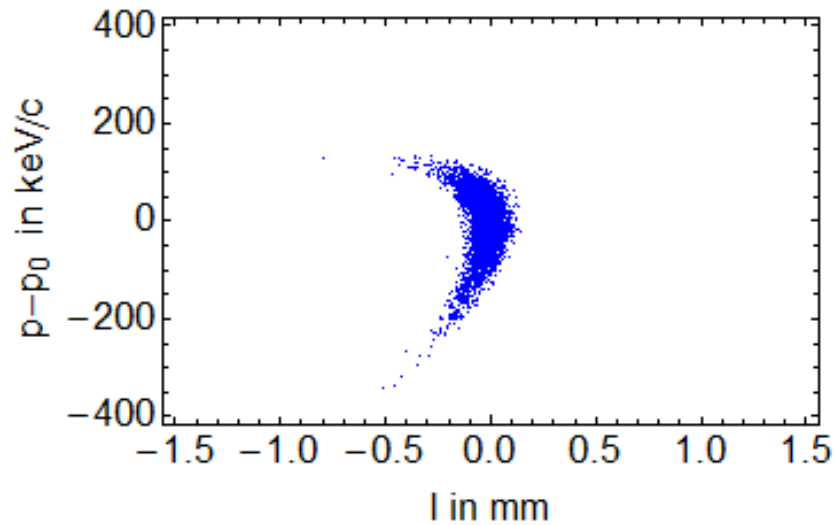
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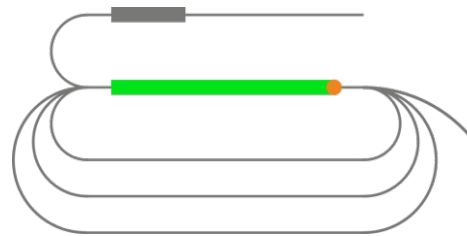
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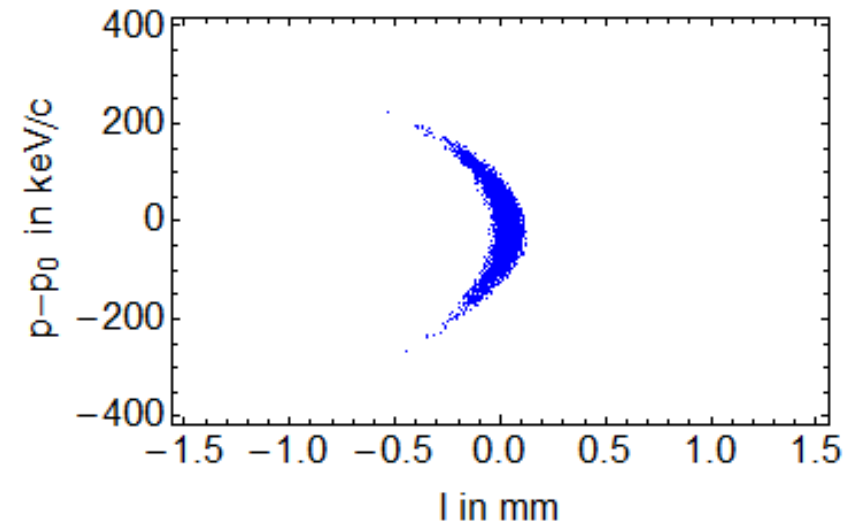
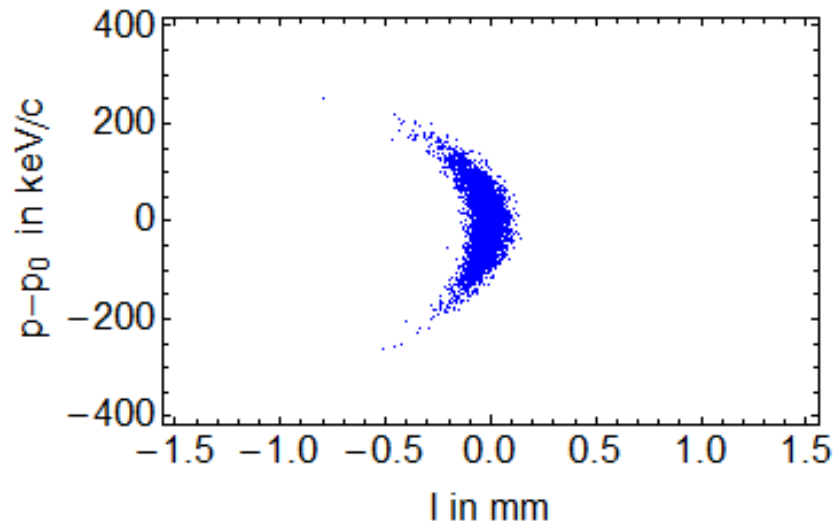
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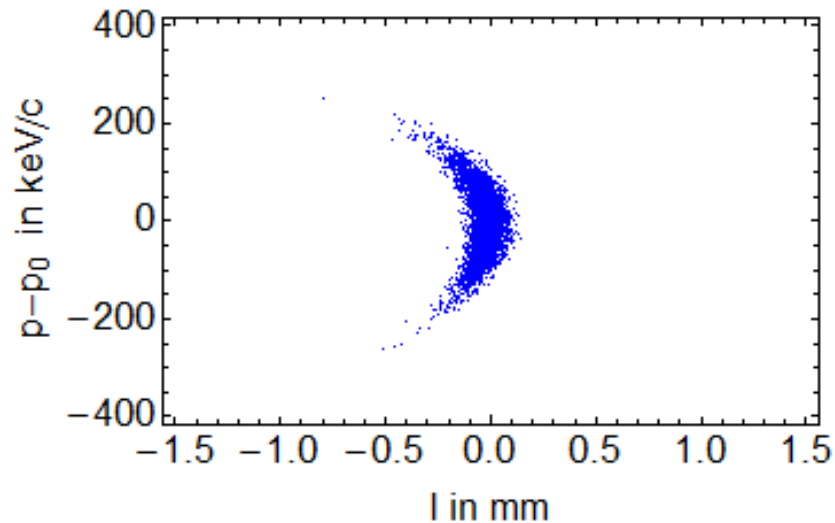
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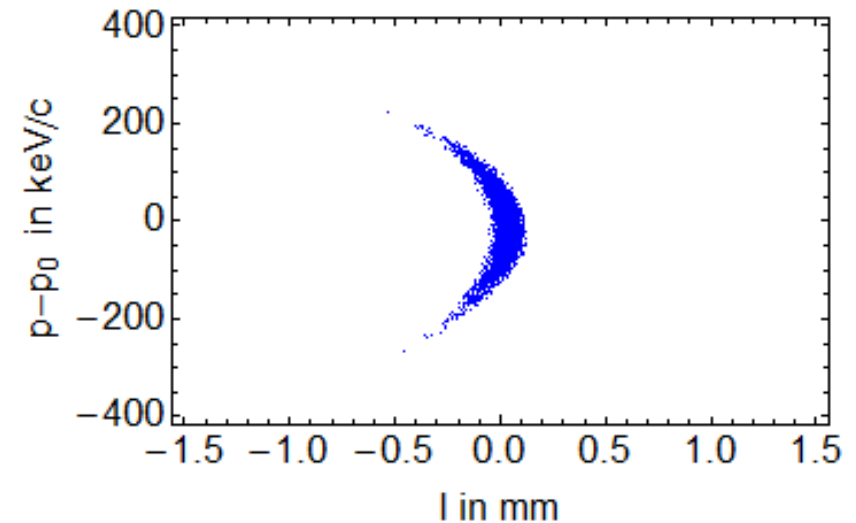


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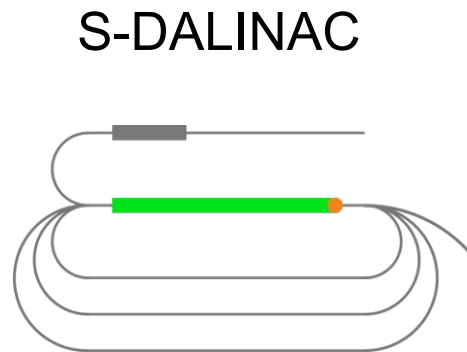
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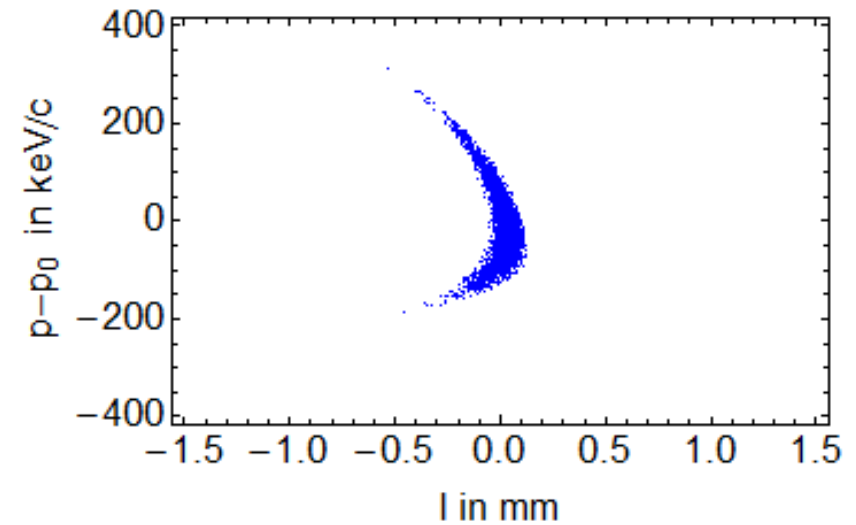
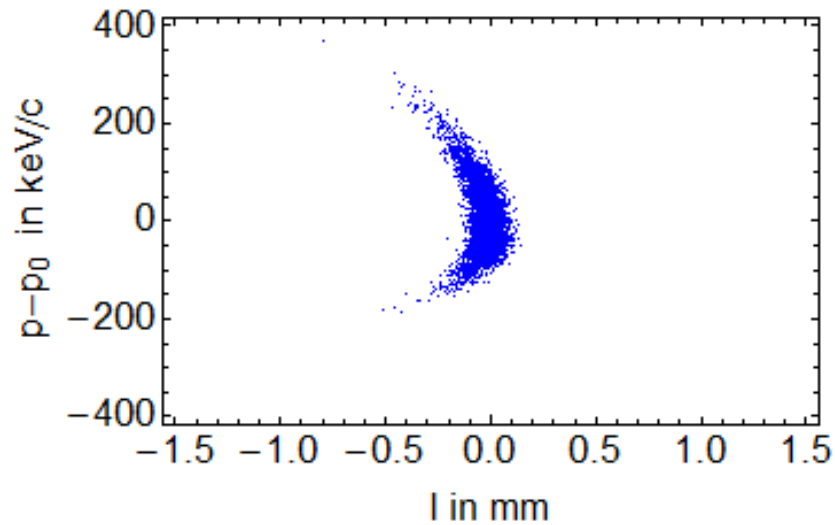
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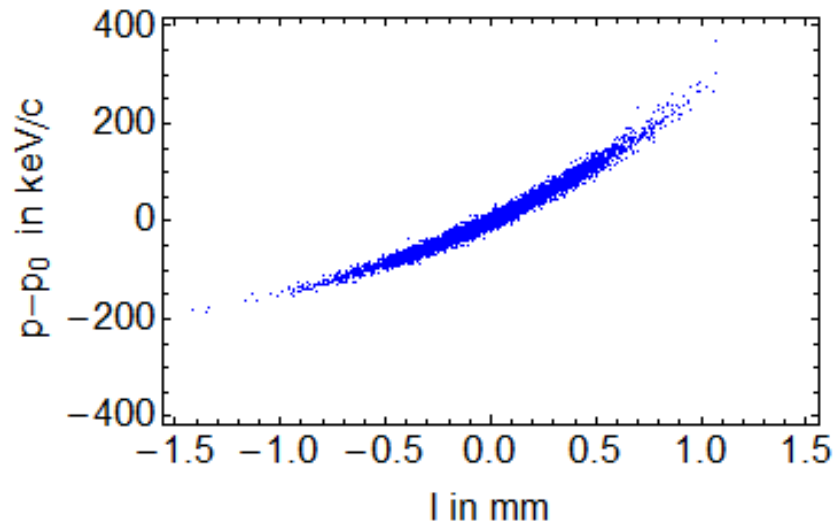
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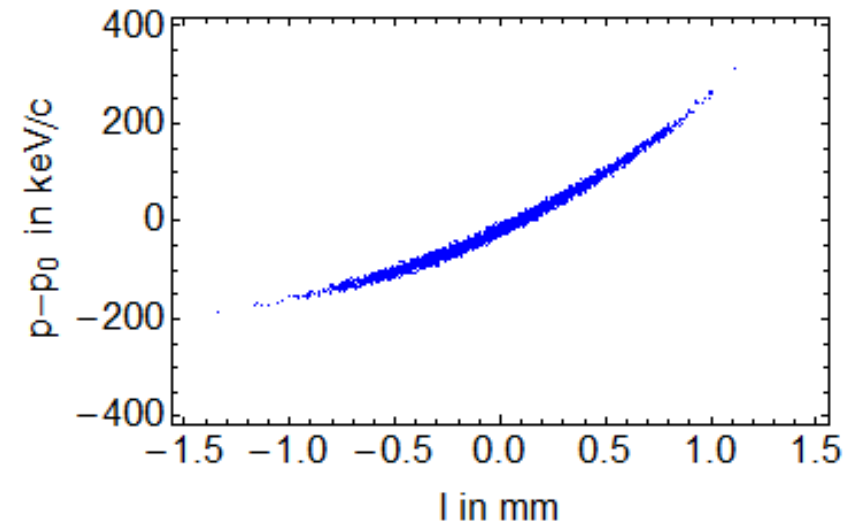


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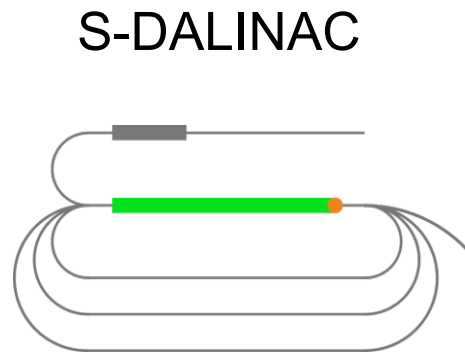
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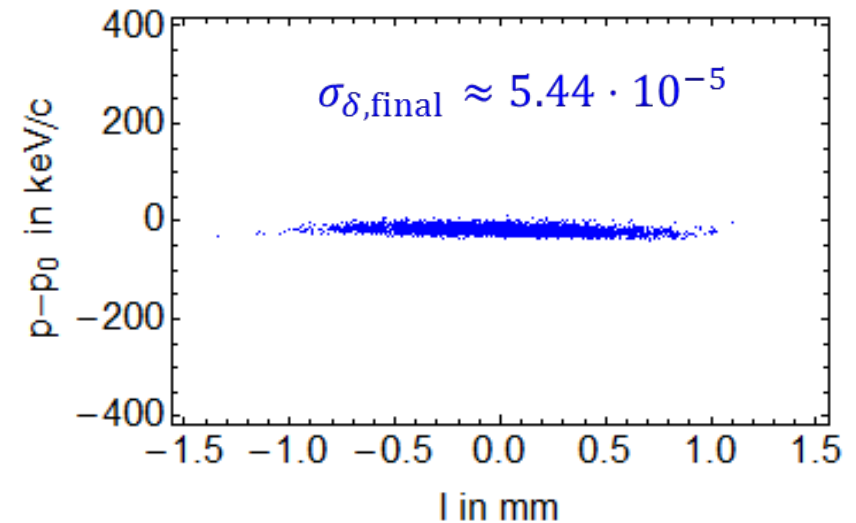
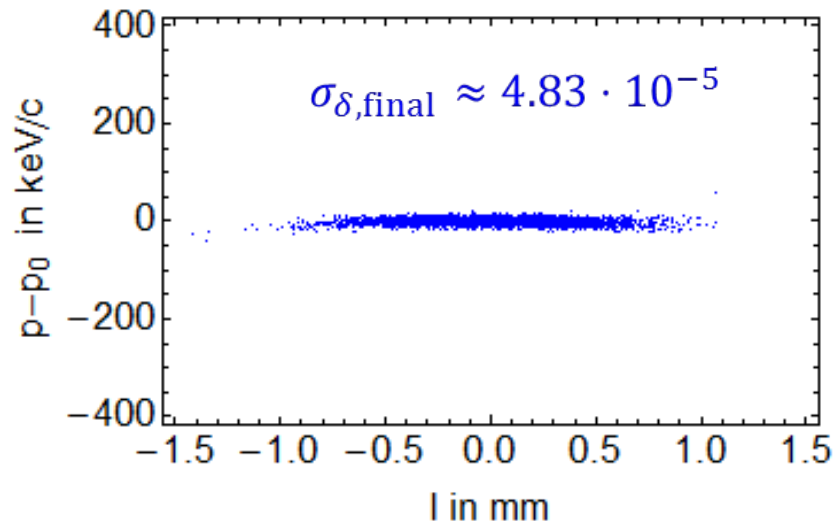
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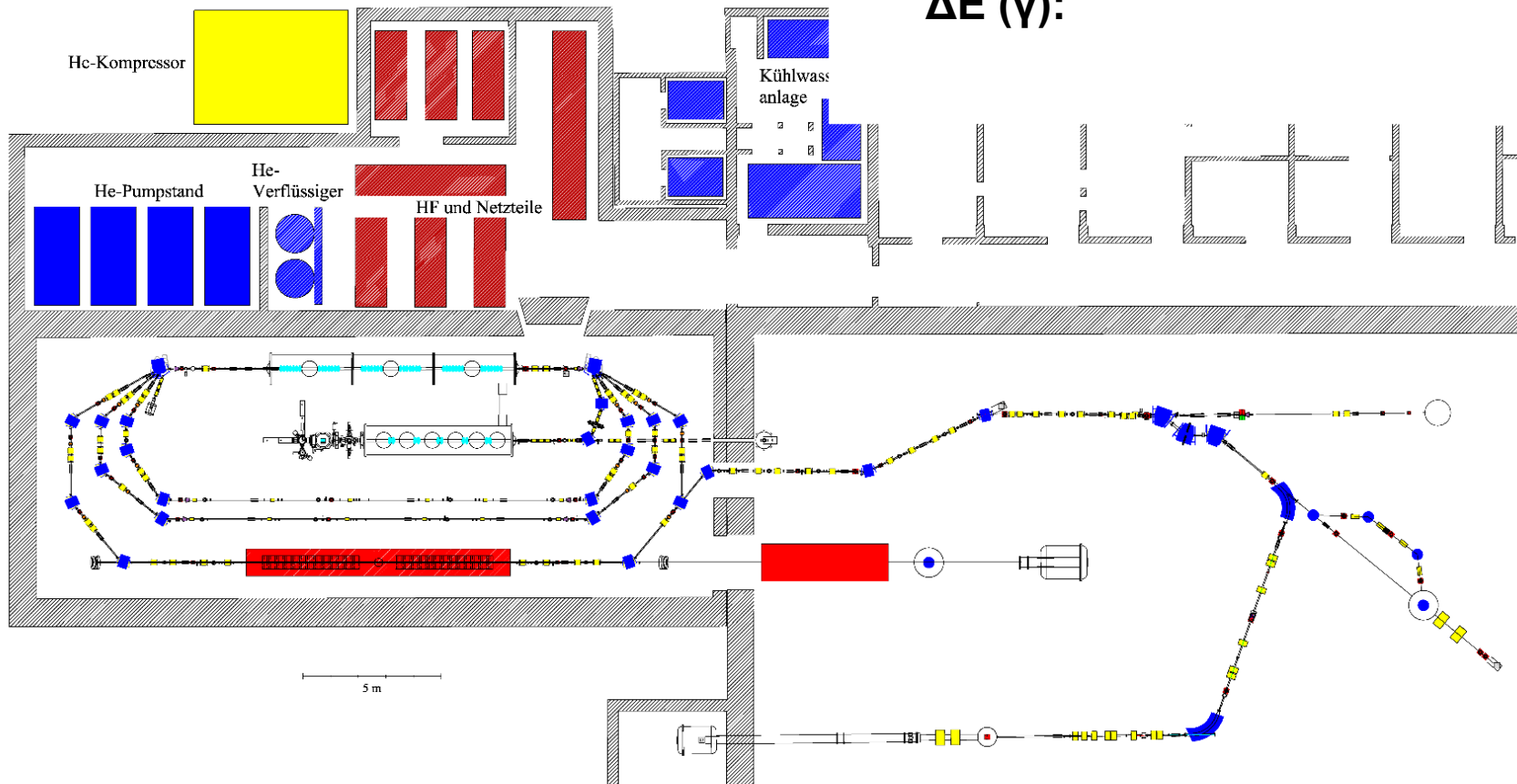


Advanced S-DALINAC (3rd Stage)



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Electron energy: **300 MeV**
Beam current: **100 μ A (1 mA ERL)**
Gamma energy: **≤ 15 MeV**
 ΔE (γ): **10 keV**



Advanced S-DALINAC (1st Stage)

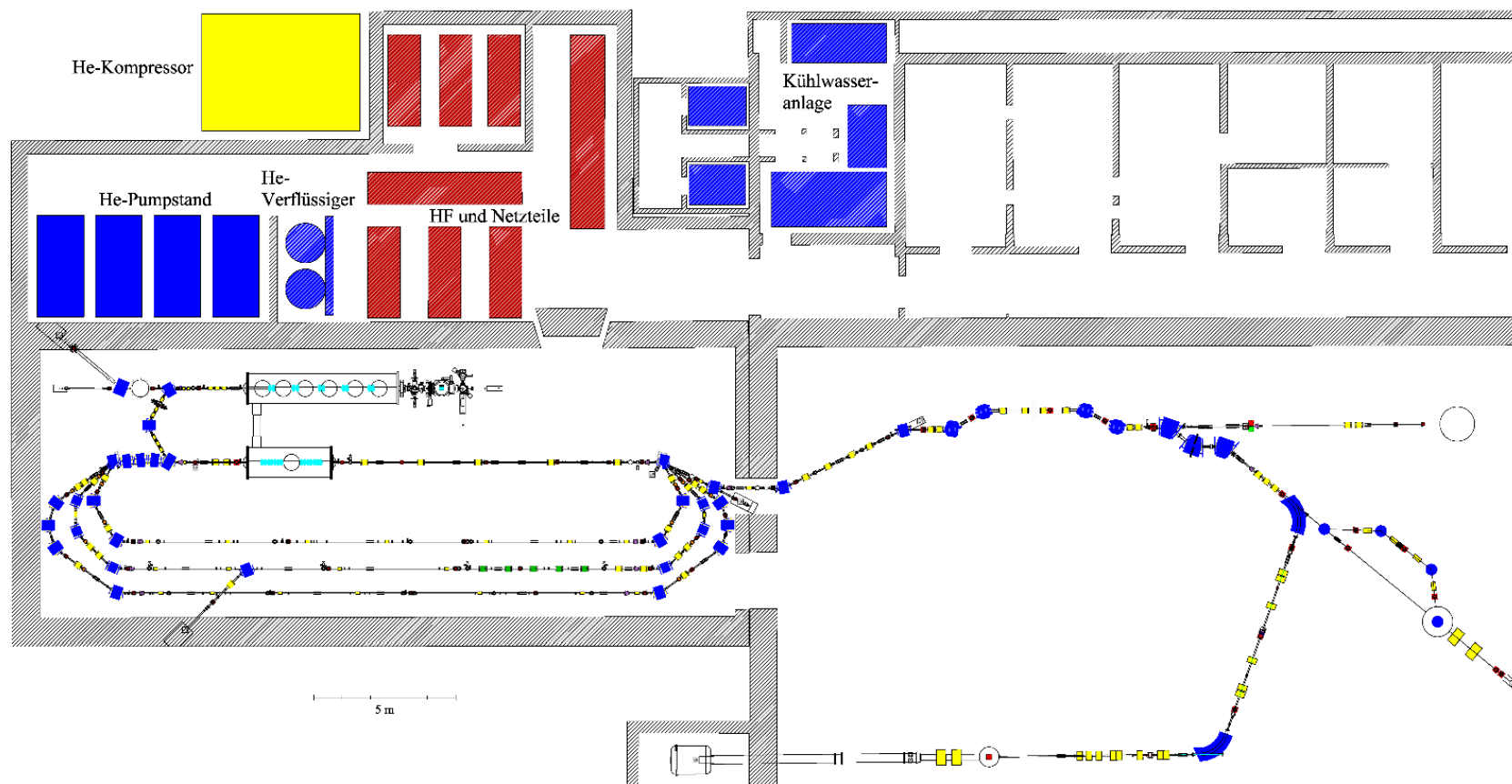


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Electron energy:

150 MeV

Low-emittance injector
with 1mA



- **Photo-Nuclear Science:**
 - **Broad Opportunities for PERLE**
 - **Good Emittance, CW Beam: crucial for Selective Excitation of Nuclear States**
 - **Research Applications from Nuclear Structure, over Astrophysics, to Weak-Interaction Physics**
- **S-DALINAC**
 - **Operation as ERL commences 2016**
 - **Stable user operation**
 - **Vision for Advanced S-DALINAC: ERL + FEL**
 - **→ CBS beams**

Potential NRF-based Applications of MEGa-ray Sources are Numerous



HEU Grand Challenge
detection of shielded material



Nuclear Fuel Assay
100 parts per million per isotope



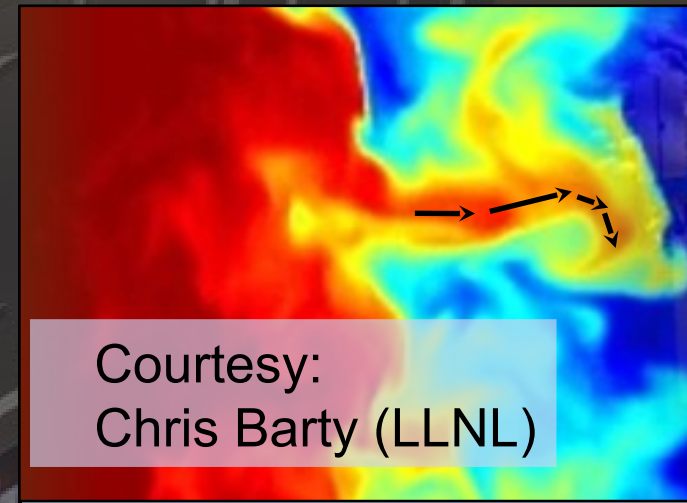
Waste Imaging & Assay
non-invasive content certification



Stockpile Surveillance
micron-scale & isotope specific



Medical Imaging
low density & isotope specific



Courtesy:
Chris Barty (LLNL)

Dense Plasma Science
isotope mass, position & velocity



1937: **Atomumwandlungen durch γ -Strahlen.**

Von **W. Bothe** und **W. Gentner** in Heidelberg.

Z. Phys. **106** (1937) 236

6. Diskussion.

Die beschriebenen Versuche zeigen, daß bei gewissen Elementen der Prozeß (γ, n) verhältnismäßig leicht beobachtbar ist.

... Vielleicht spielen hierbei Resonanzverhältnisse eine entscheidende Rolle, ...



1938: Nuclear Photo-effects

THE beautiful experiments of Bothe and Gentner¹ on the ejection of neutrons from heavier nuclei by means of γ -rays with energy of about 17 M.v. resulting from impact of protons on lithium, have revealed a remarkable selectivity of these nuclear photo-effects. ...

N. BOHR.

Universitetets Institut
for Teoretisk Fysik,
Copenhagen, ø
Jan. 31.

nature **141** (1938) 326

Recent Highlights



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Photonuclear reactions

- Photoactivation
- Nuclear Resonance Fluorescence
- Nuclear polarimetry
- Photofission
- Photodesintegration

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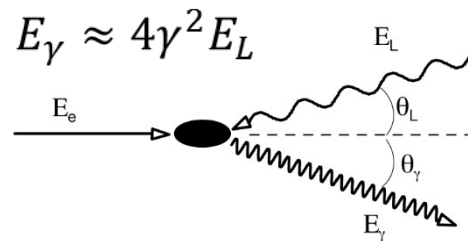
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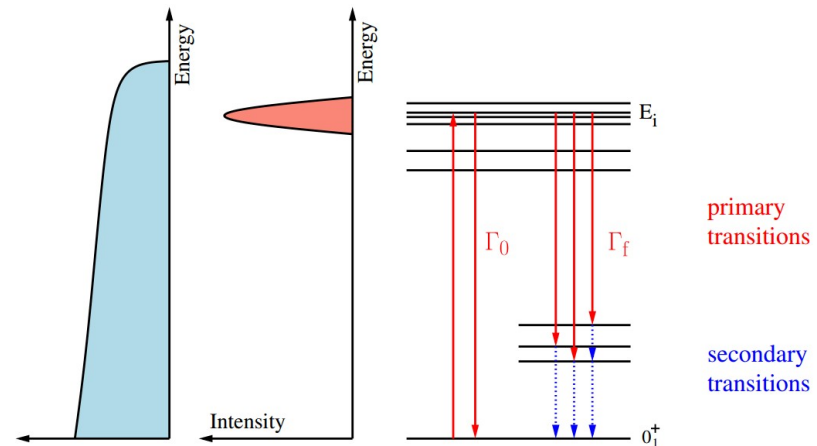
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ERL Advantages/Requirements



NRF



Savran, Aumann, Zilges, Prog. Part. Nucl. Phys. 70 (2013) 210-245.

Compton back-scattering, FEL

+ saving energy / intensity increase (ERL)

Need: γ -beam with high energy resolution and high repetition rate

Recirculating LINAC in non-isochronous operation, low-emittance injector

cw, superconducting RF

Example ^{156}Gd : Scissors Mode

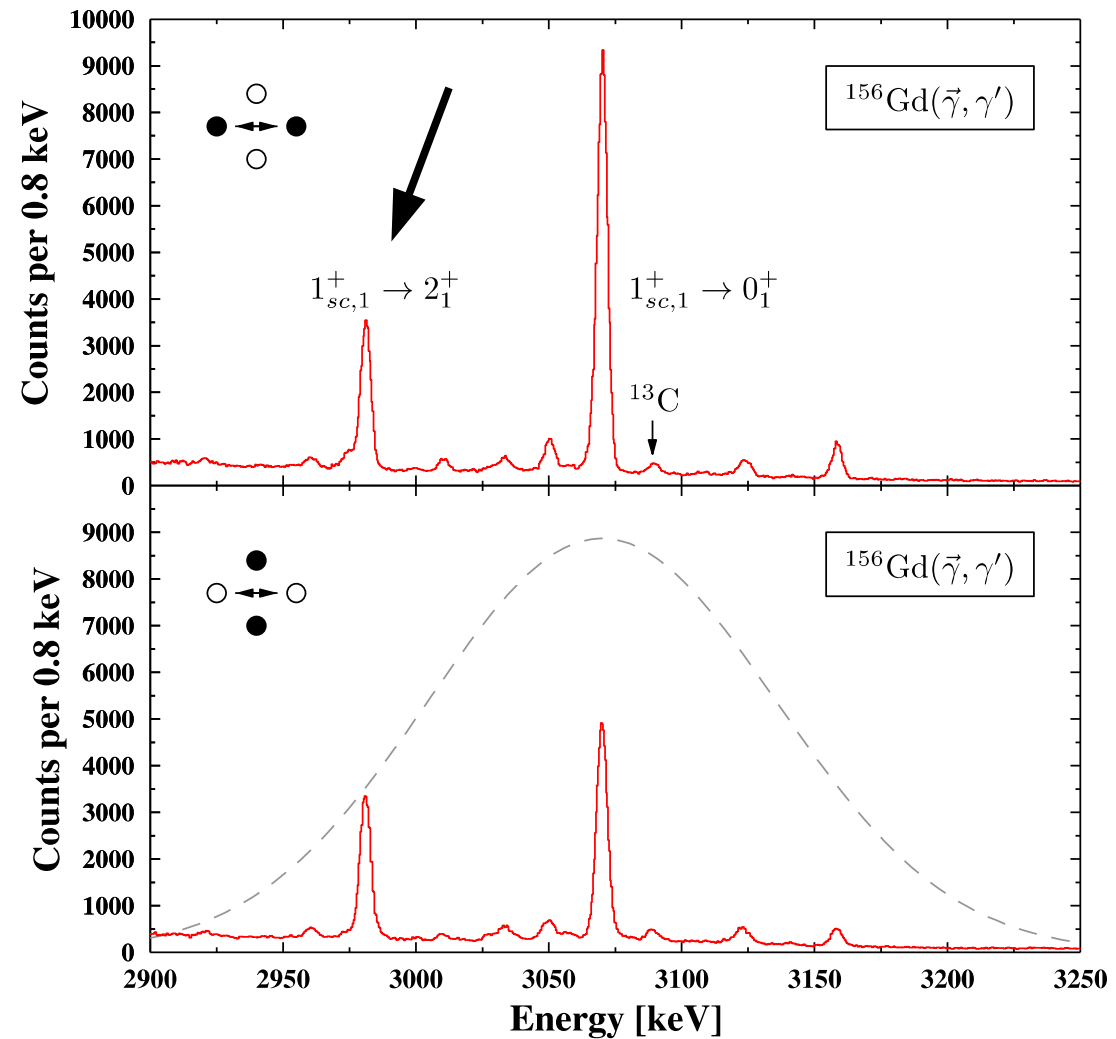


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from the experiment obtain

$$\frac{A_{\parallel}(1_{sc}^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)/\epsilon_{\parallel}}{A_{\perp}(1_{sc}^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)/\epsilon_{\perp}}$$

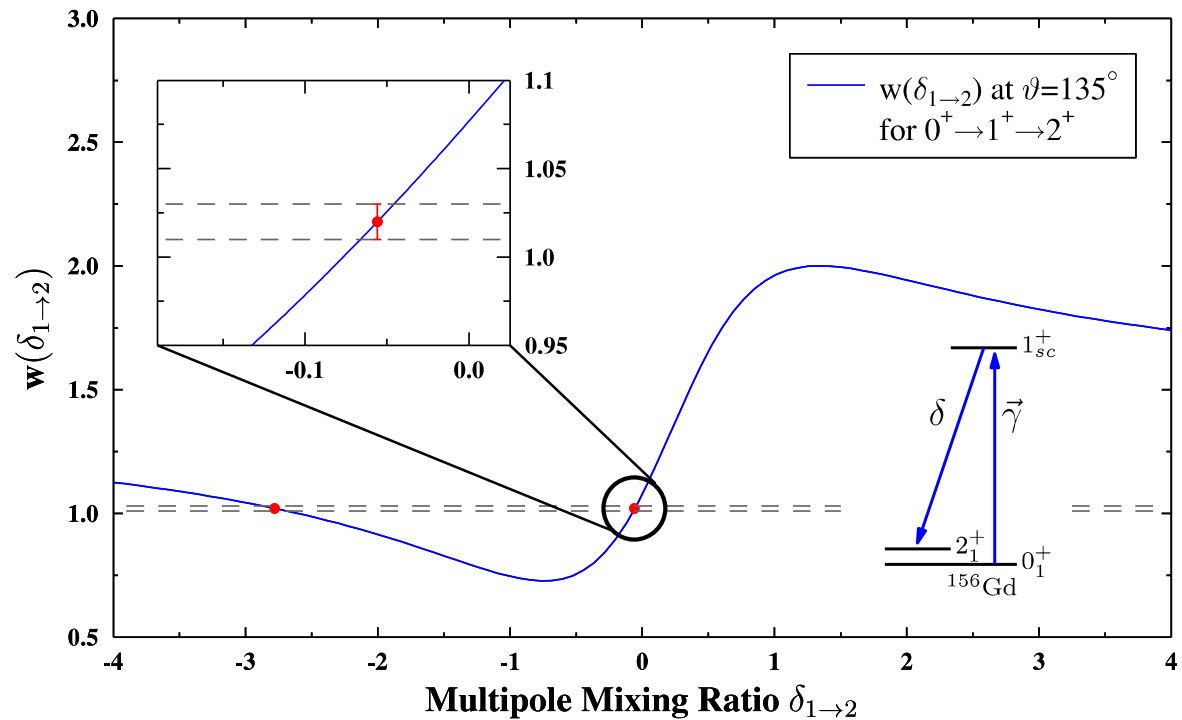
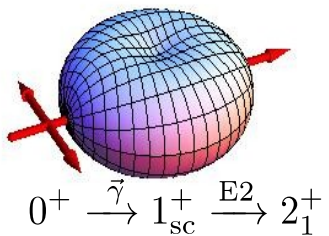
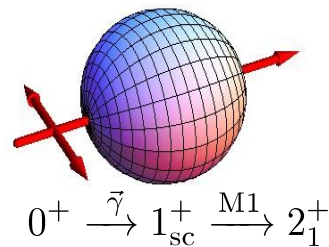
Asymmetry at backward
angle



Determination M1/E2 Ratio

Method: $w(\delta_{1 \rightarrow 2}) = \frac{W_{\parallel}(\delta_{1 \rightarrow 2})}{W_{\perp}(\delta_{1 \rightarrow 2})} \quad \delta_{1 \rightarrow 2} = \frac{\sqrt{3} E_{\gamma}}{10 \hbar c} \frac{\langle 2_1^+ || \hat{T}(E2) || 1_{sc}^+ \rangle}{\langle 2_1^+ || \hat{T}(M1) || 1_{sc}^+ \rangle}$

$\delta_{1 \rightarrow 2} = -0.06(1)$



Effective boson charges from F -vector $E2$ transitions

Knowing the multipole mixing ratio allows to determine F -vector $E2$ transition strength

$$\delta \longrightarrow \Gamma_{E2} = \frac{\delta^2}{1 + \delta^2} \Gamma_{\text{ges}} \longrightarrow B(E2; 1_{\text{sc}}^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+)$$

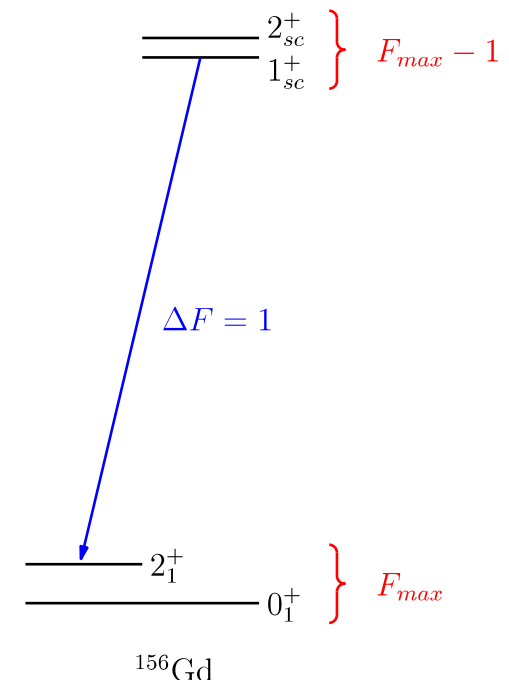
$$\longrightarrow B(E2; 1_{\text{sc}}^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+) = 0.027(11) \text{ W.u.}$$

First information on an F -vector $E2$ transition in an axially-deformed nucleus!

From this obtain local values of the effective boson charges e_π and e_ν for a better description of $E2$ transitions in the IBM-2.

$E2$ transition operator:

$$T(E2) = e_\pi Q_\pi^{\chi_\pi} + e_\nu Q_\nu^{\chi_\nu}$$



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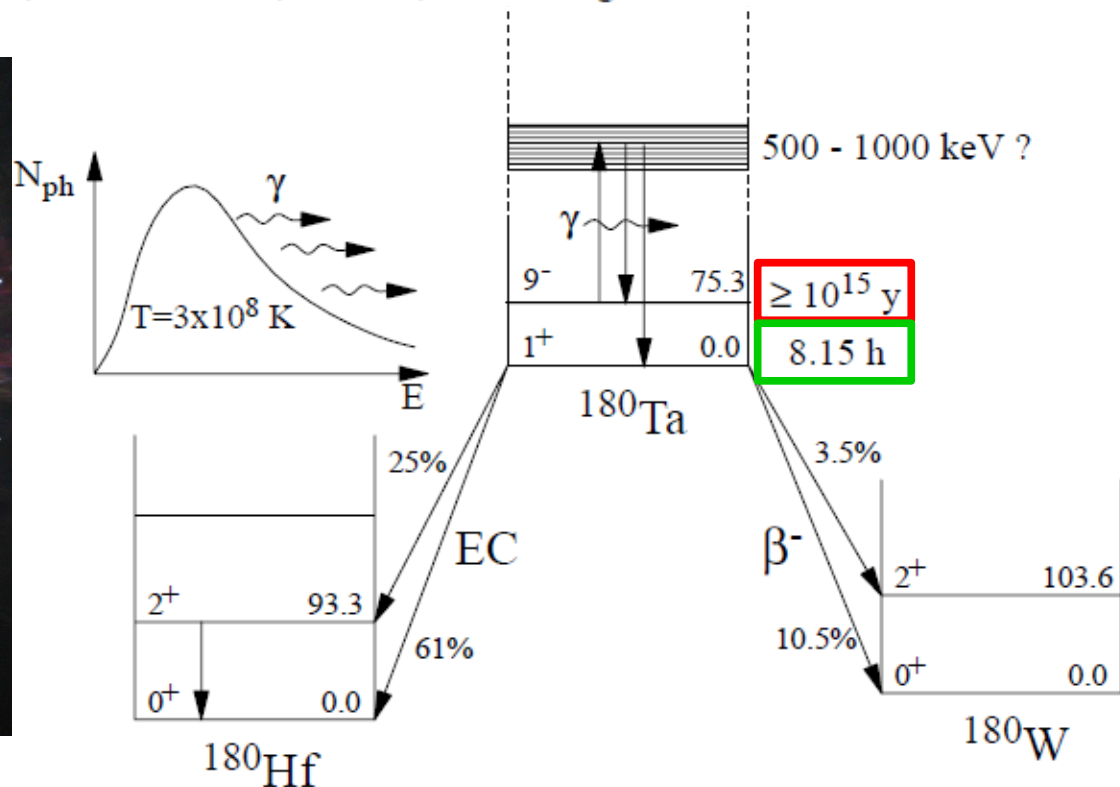
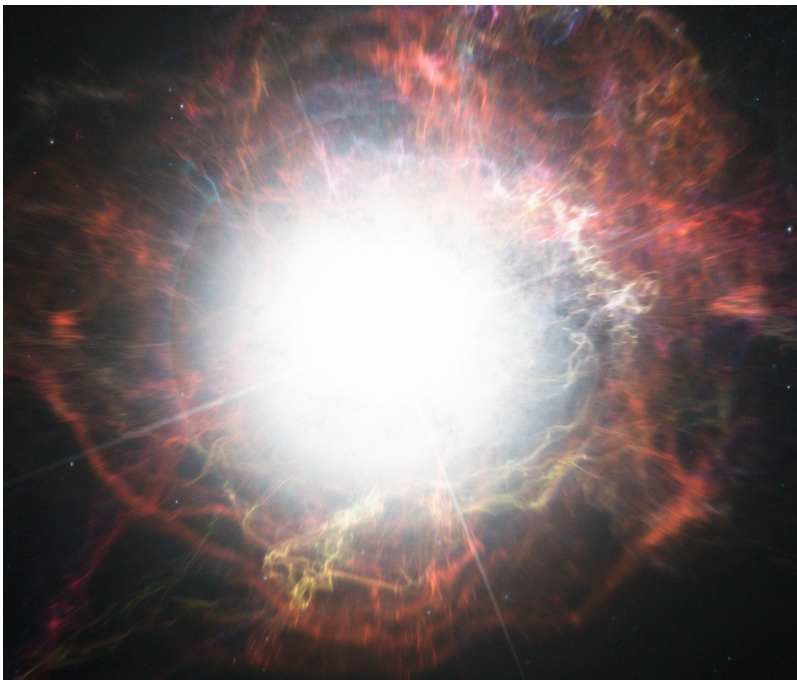
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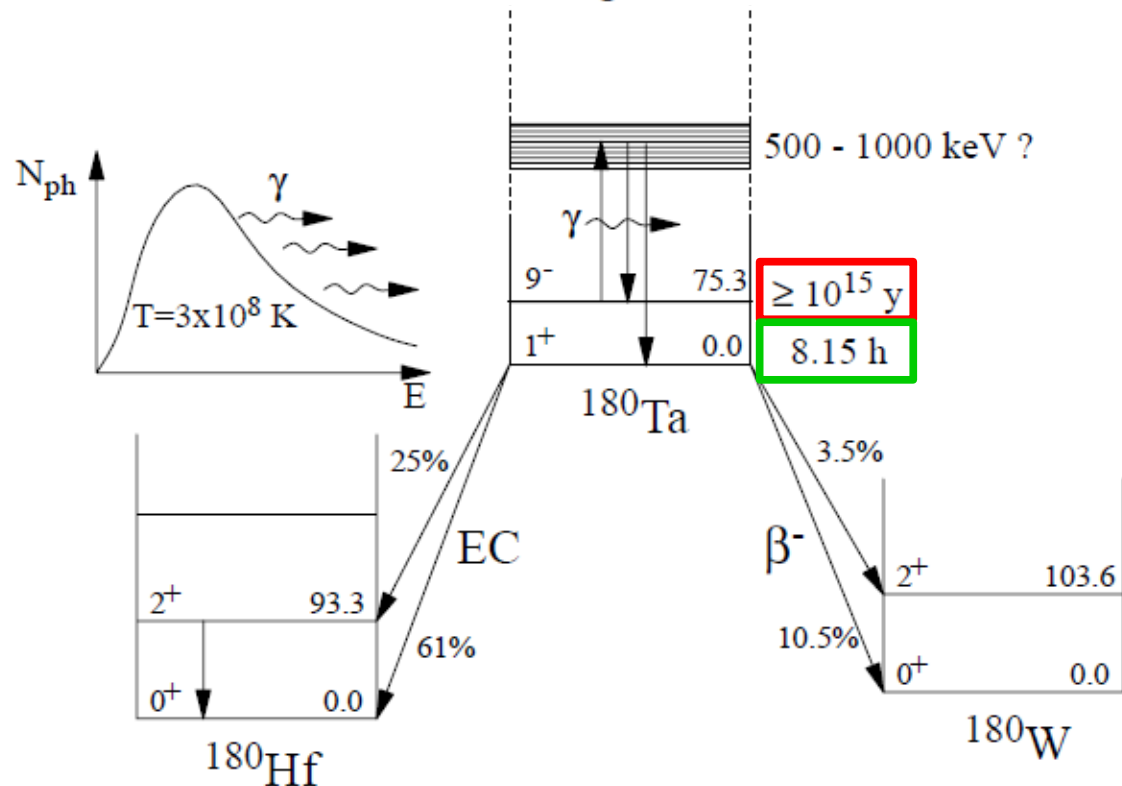
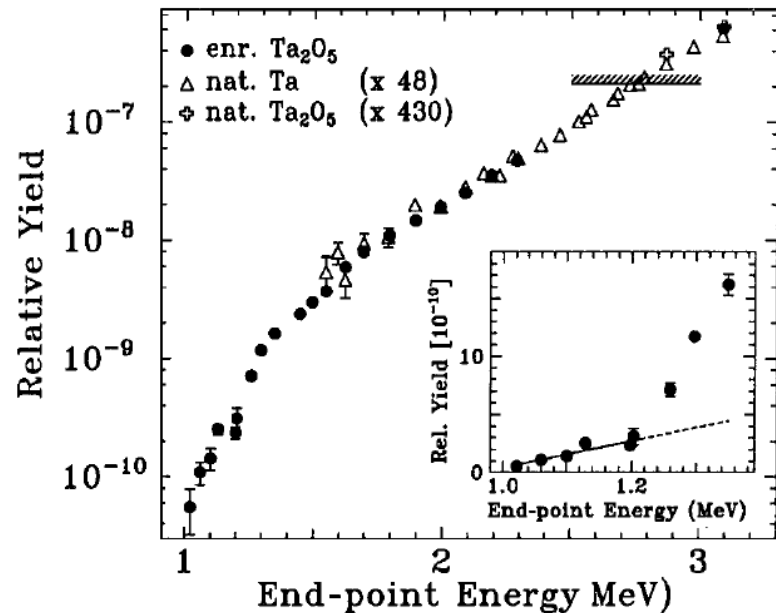


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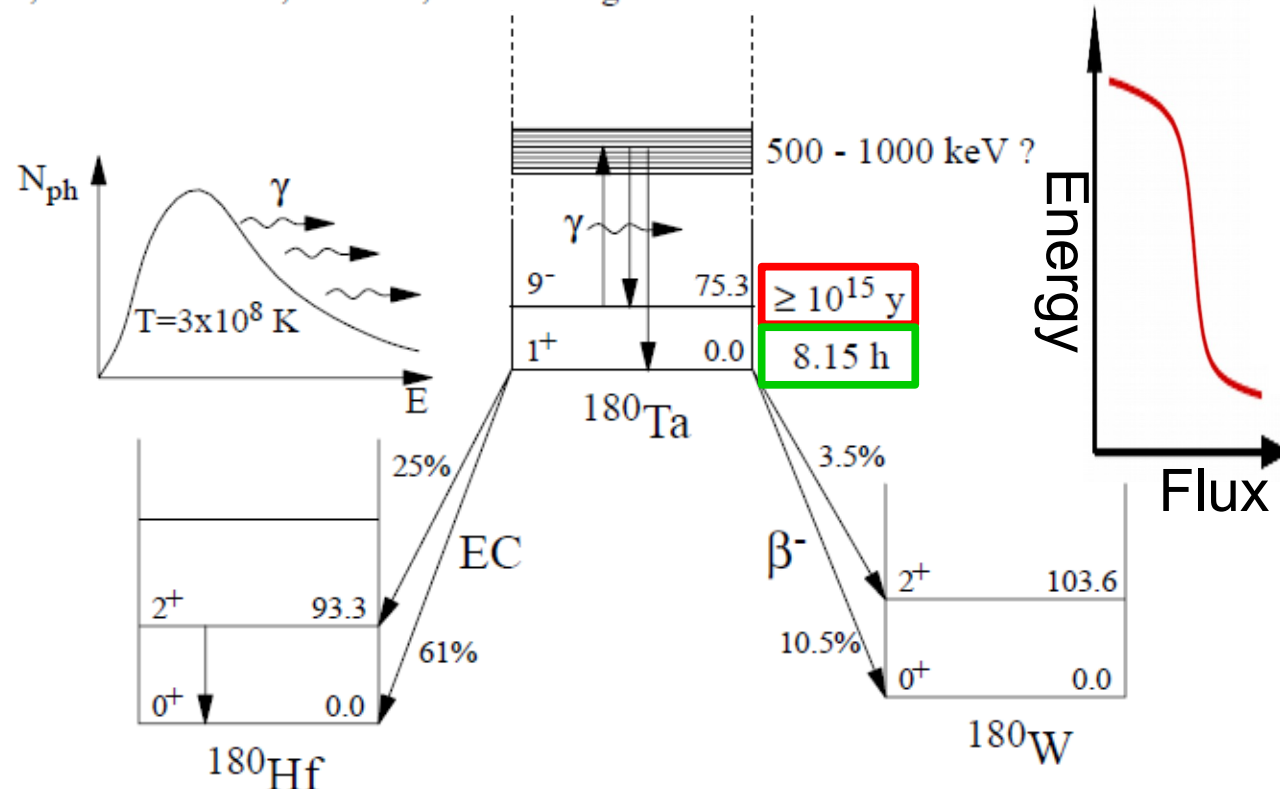
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Limited resolution and sensitivity due to bremsstrahlung:

Low flux near endpoint, integral cross section



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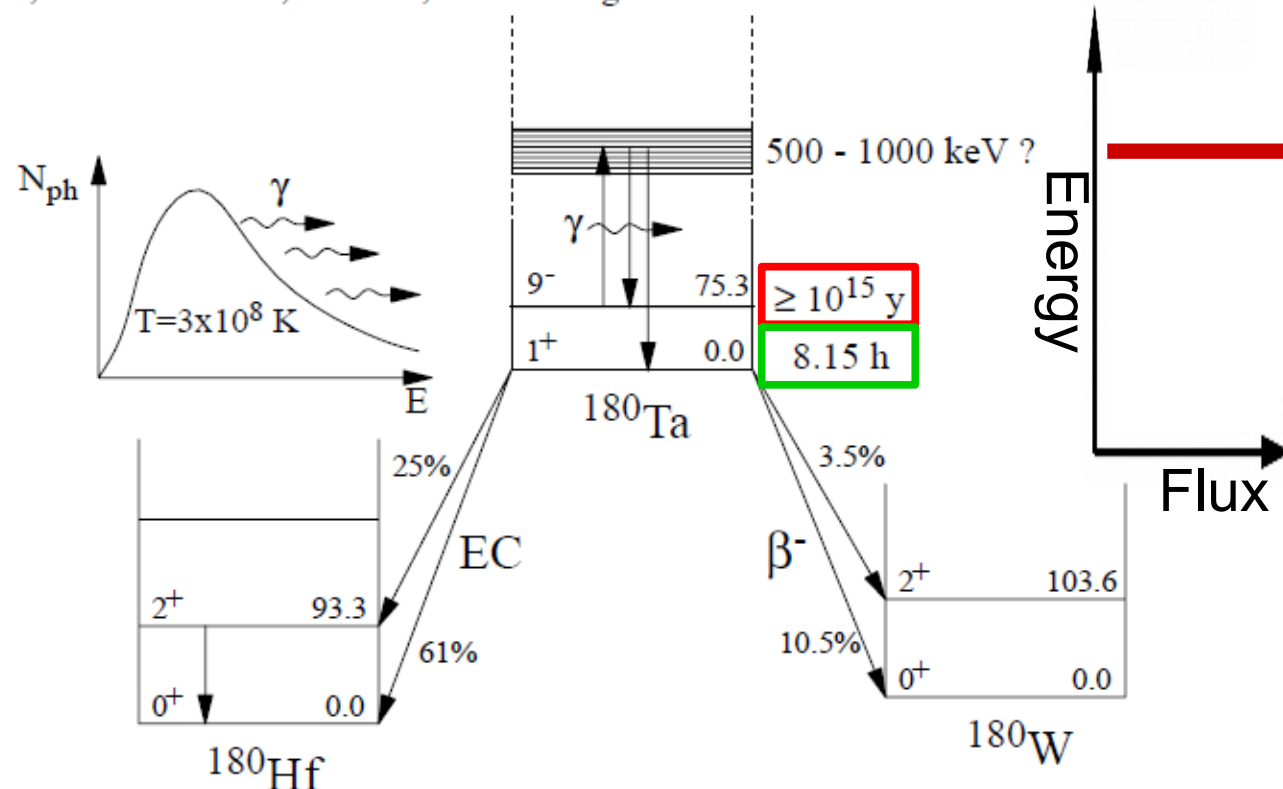
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Much higher resolution scan at ELI-NP

Allows to search for even lower-lying gateway-states



Nuclear Resonance Fluorescence

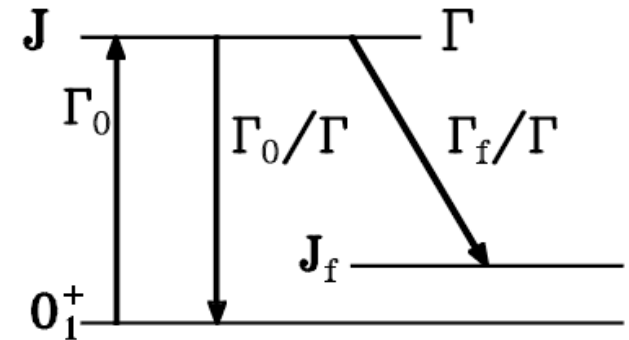


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$\Pi\lambda$ - strengths

$$\Delta J = 1, 2$$

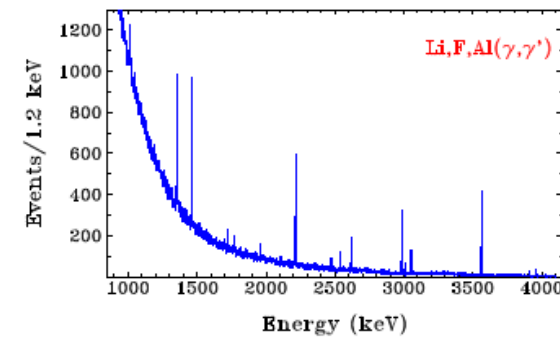
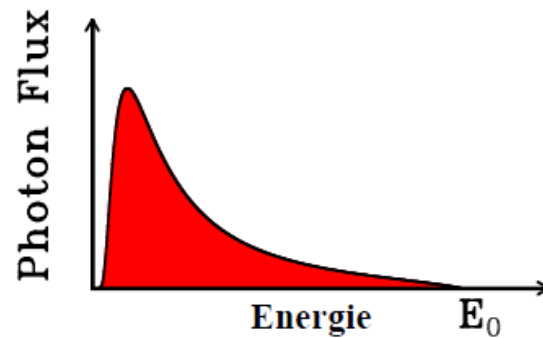
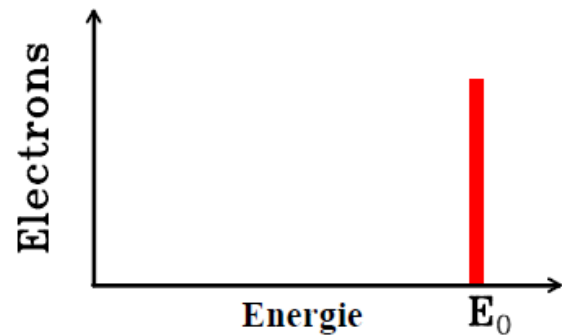
high energy resolution



e^- →



HPGe



Connection to Lifetimes



In a nutshell – description of resonance: Breit-Wigner

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{abs}(E)}{d\Omega dE} = \pi\lambda^2 \cdot \frac{2j+1}{2(2j_0+1)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma_0\Gamma_f}{(E-E_r)^2 + \frac{1}{4}\Gamma^2} \cdot \frac{W(\theta)}{4\pi}$$

Integrate that over solid angle and the resonance:

$$I_{s,f} = \pi^2\lambda^2 \cdot \frac{2J+1}{2J_0+1} \cdot \frac{\Gamma_0\Gamma_f}{\Gamma}$$

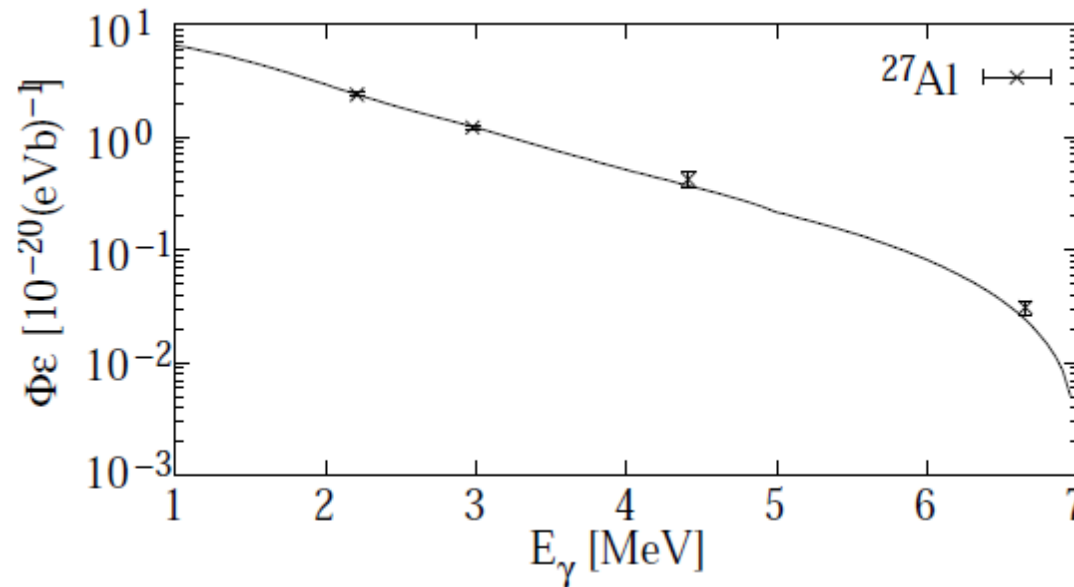
Integrated cross-section from size of the observed peak to „f”inal state.

Photon Flux from Standard



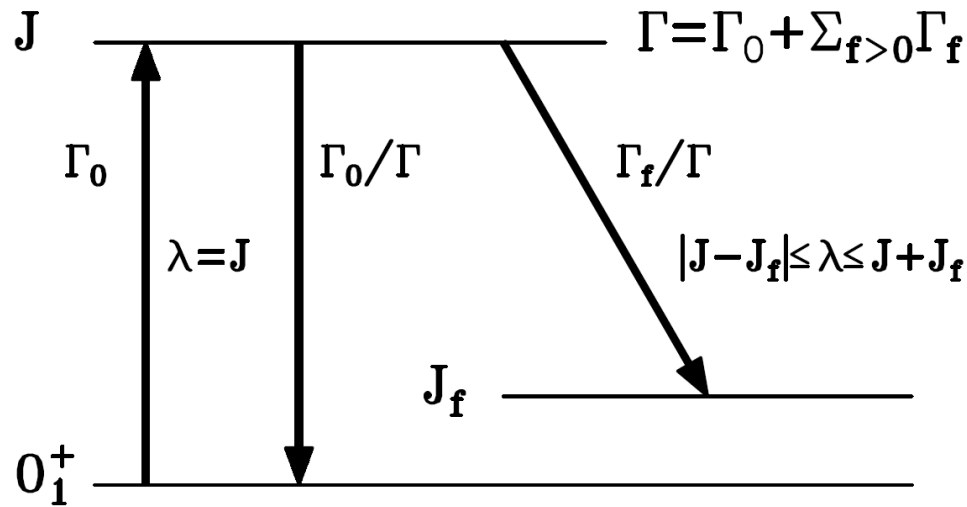
Measurement of x-sections always relative to a standard!
For example, ^{27}Al / ^{11}B have well-known cross-sections.

Measure Al/B states, measure / simulate detector efficiency
=> Photon Flux / Cross-section calibration



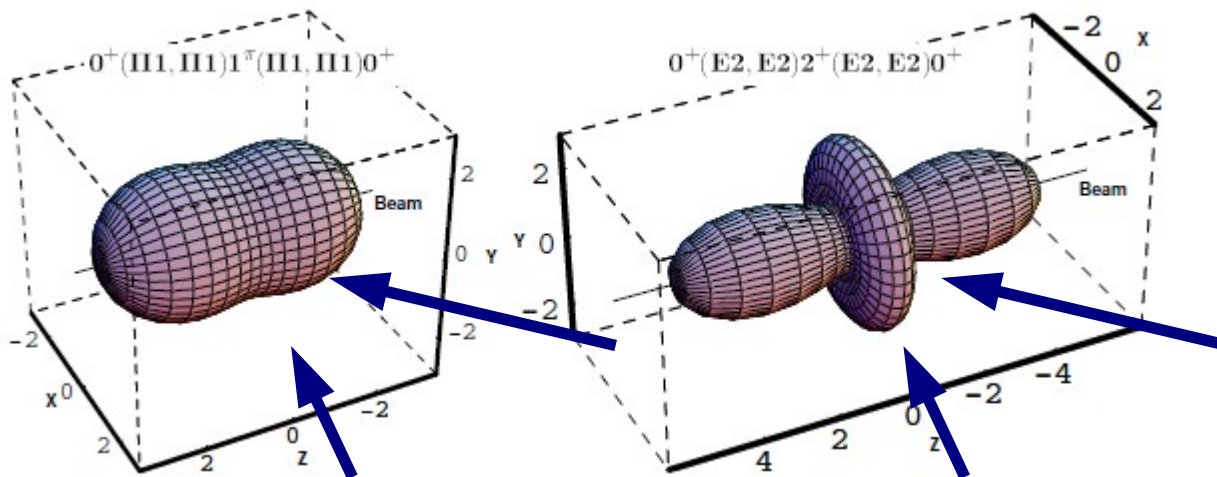
Nuclear Resonance Fluorescence

— — — — — Separation
threshold



Observables

- Excitation Energy E_r
- Spin J
- Parity π
- Decay Energies E_y
- Partial Widths Γ_i/Γ_0
- Multipole Mixing δ
- Decay Strengths $B(\pi\lambda)$
- Level Width Γ (eV)
- Lifetime τ (ps – as)



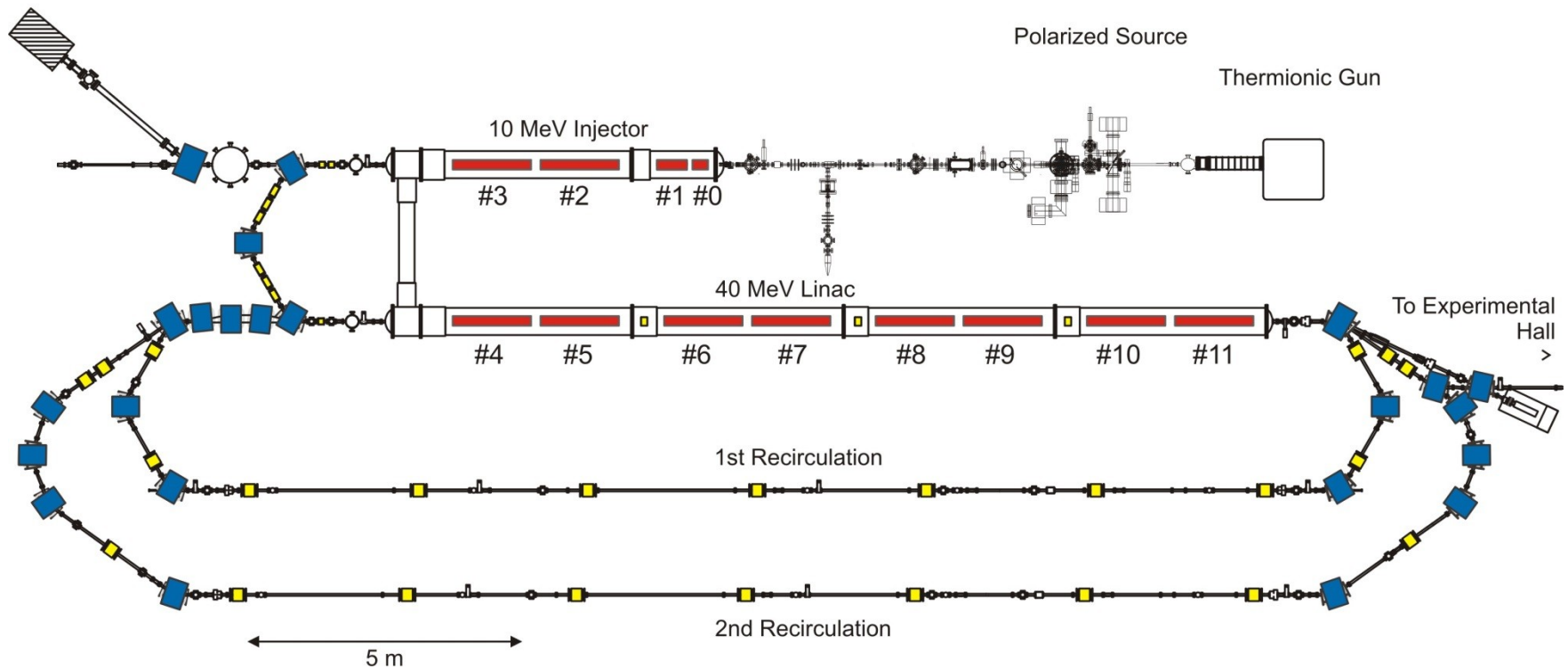
Detectors

x-sections

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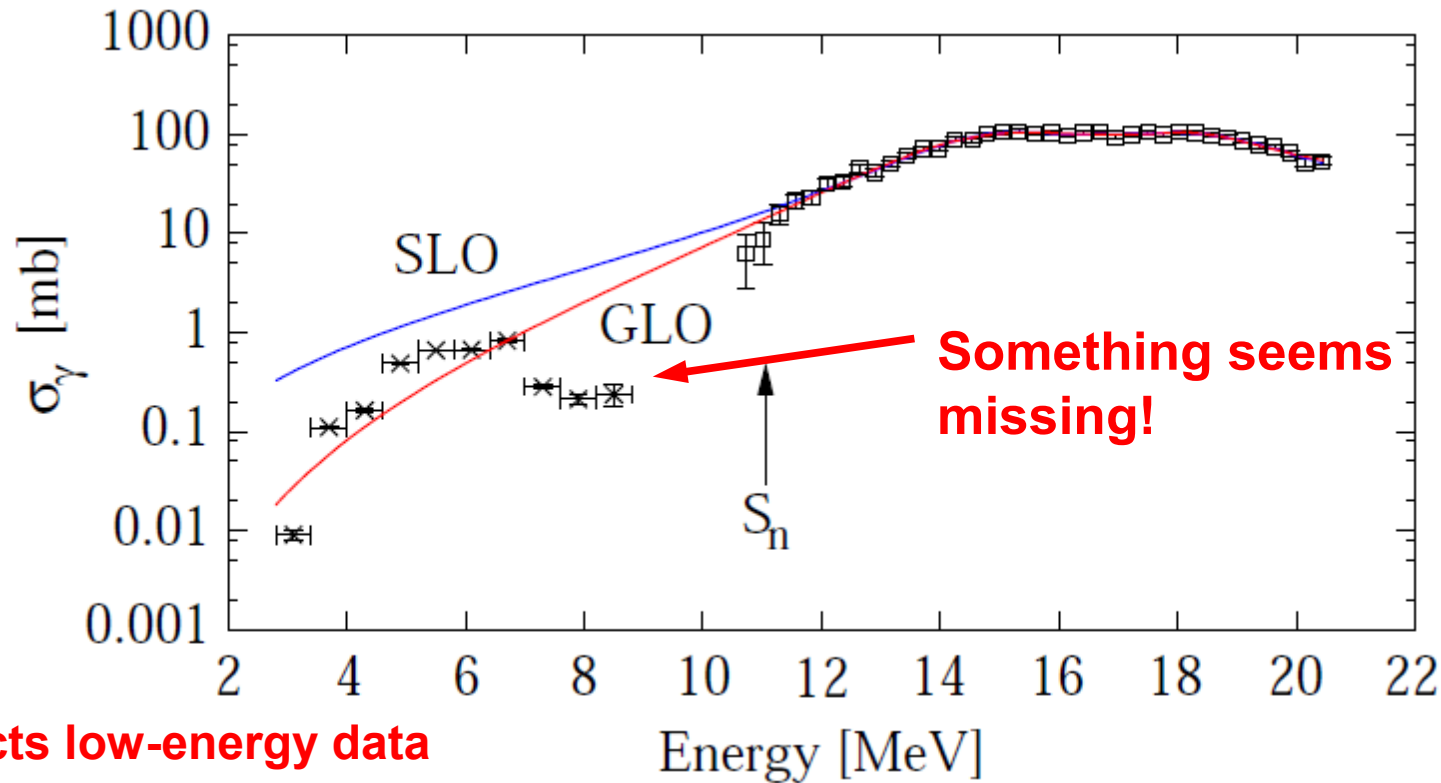
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F. Hug *et al.*, Proc. of the 2011 Part. Acc. Conf., New York, NY, USA (2011), 1999.

Anything on the GDR Tail ??

Data from Bremsstrahlung only!
Two Lorentzians fitted because ^{76}Se is deformed ($\beta \sim 0.31$)

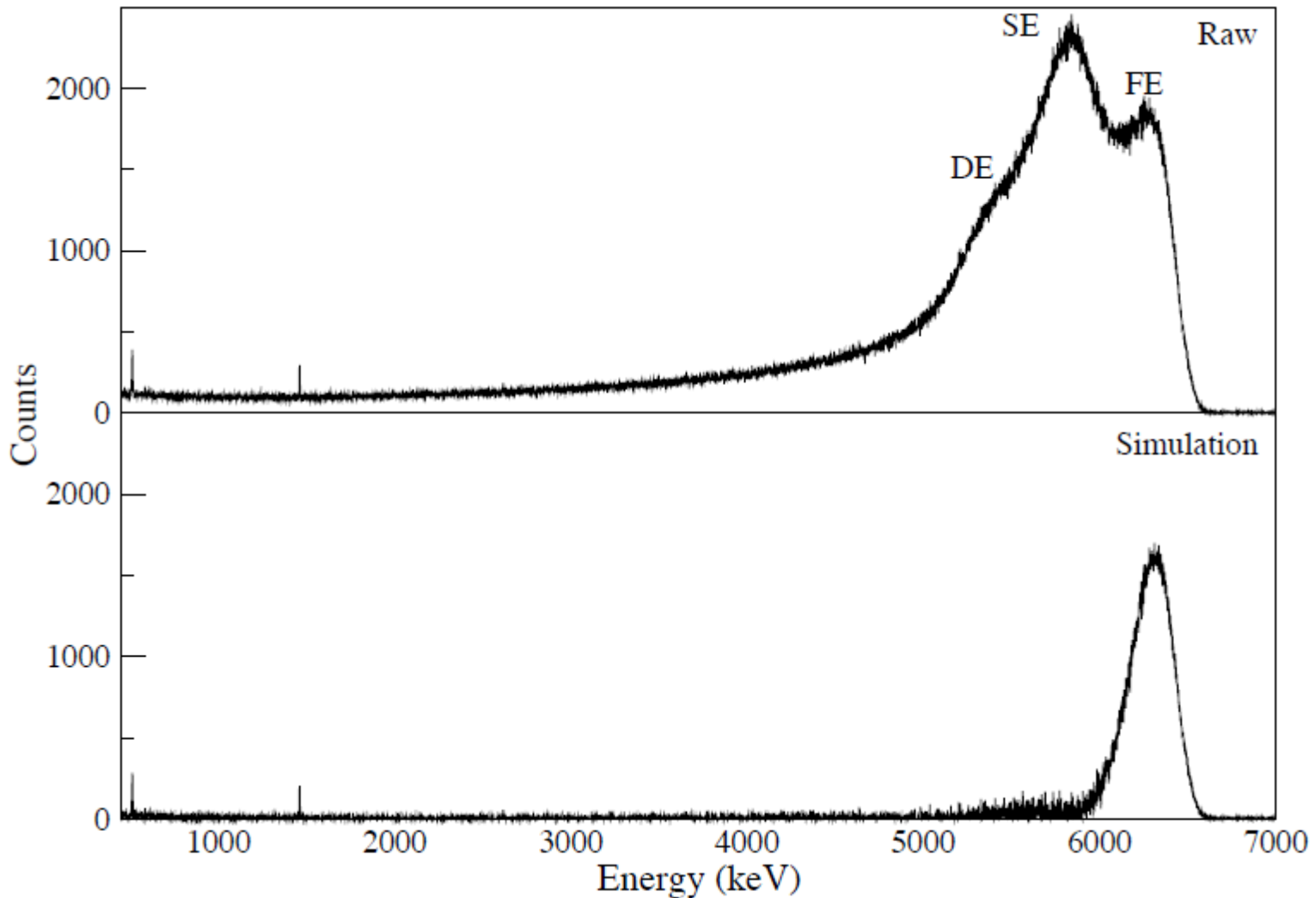


(n,γ) data from
Carlos et al.,
NPA 258, 365
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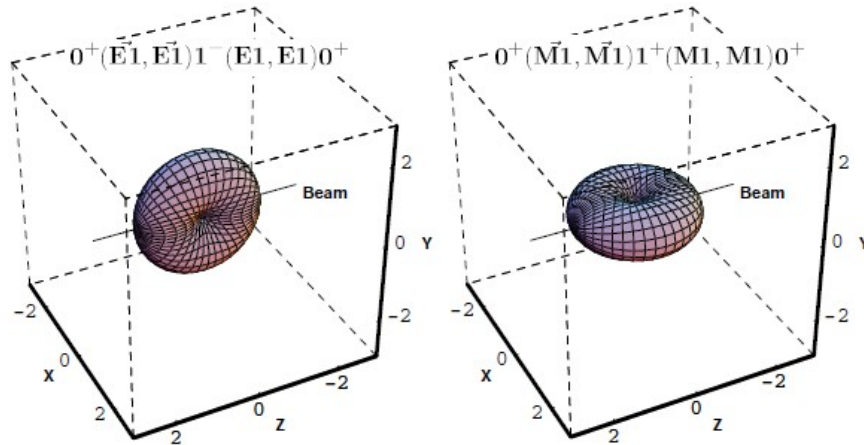
Overpredicts low-energy data

$$\sigma^{SLO} \propto \frac{E^2 \Gamma^2}{(E^2 - E_0^2)^2 + E^2 \Gamma^2} \quad \sigma^{GLO} \propto E \Gamma \left[\frac{E \Gamma(E)}{(E^2 - E_0^2)^2 + E^2 [\Gamma(E)]^2} \right]$$

Actually beam profile derived from 0° HPGe spectrum and GEANT simulation.

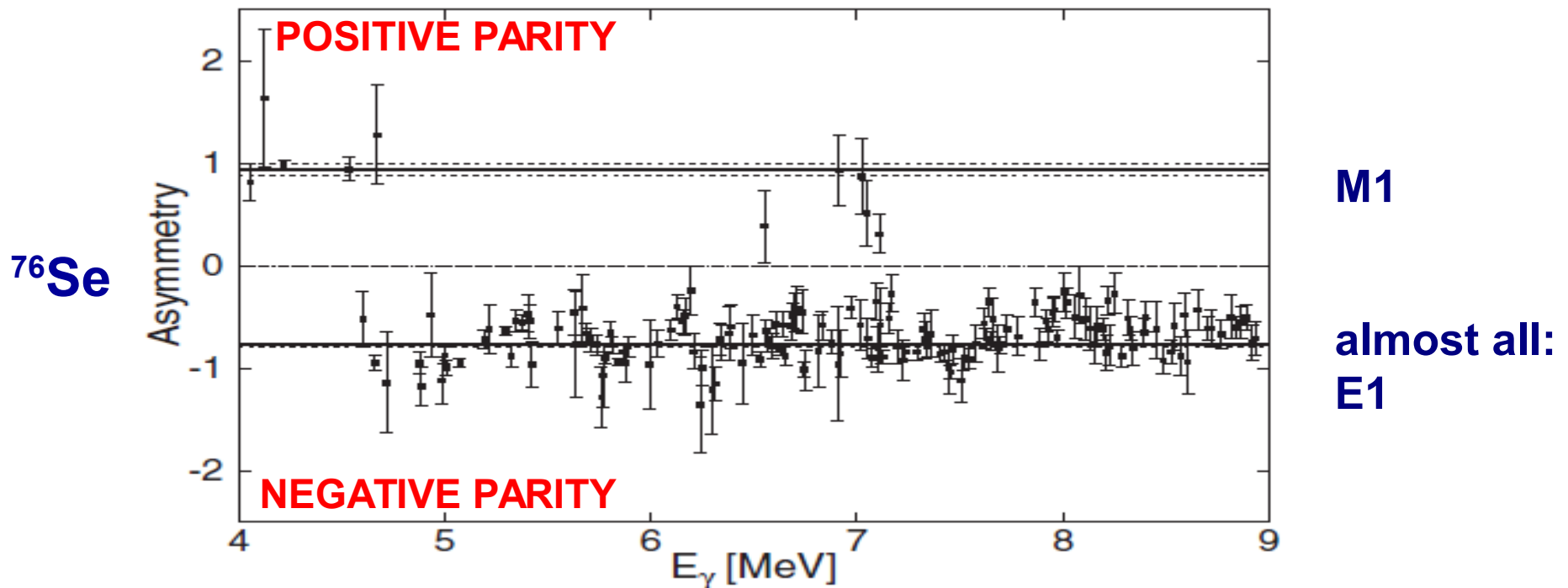


Polarization => Parity



Clear (and easy) identification
Of E1 excited states through
asymmetry horizontal/vertical

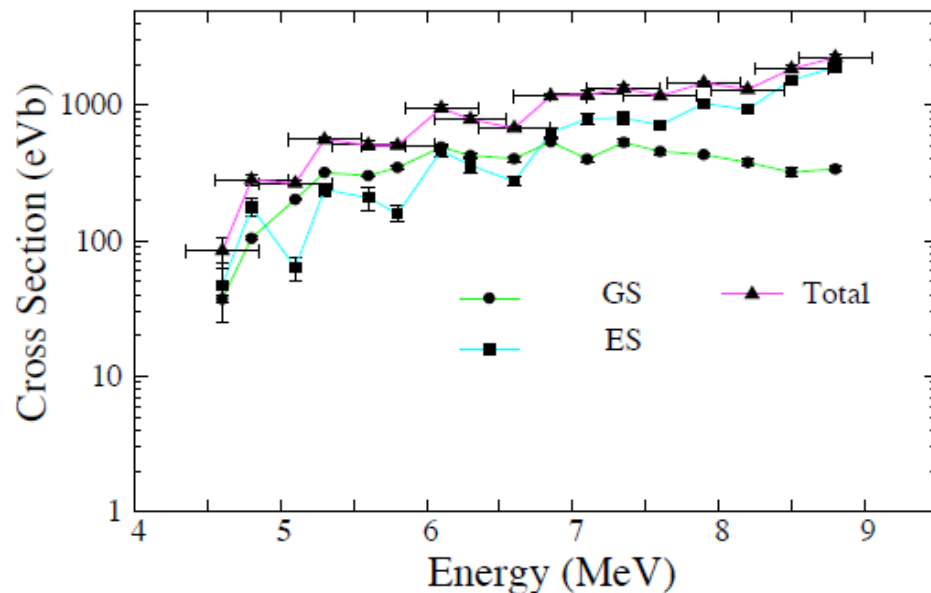
$$P_{ana} = \frac{W^{hor} - W^{ver}}{W^{hor} + W^{ver}}$$



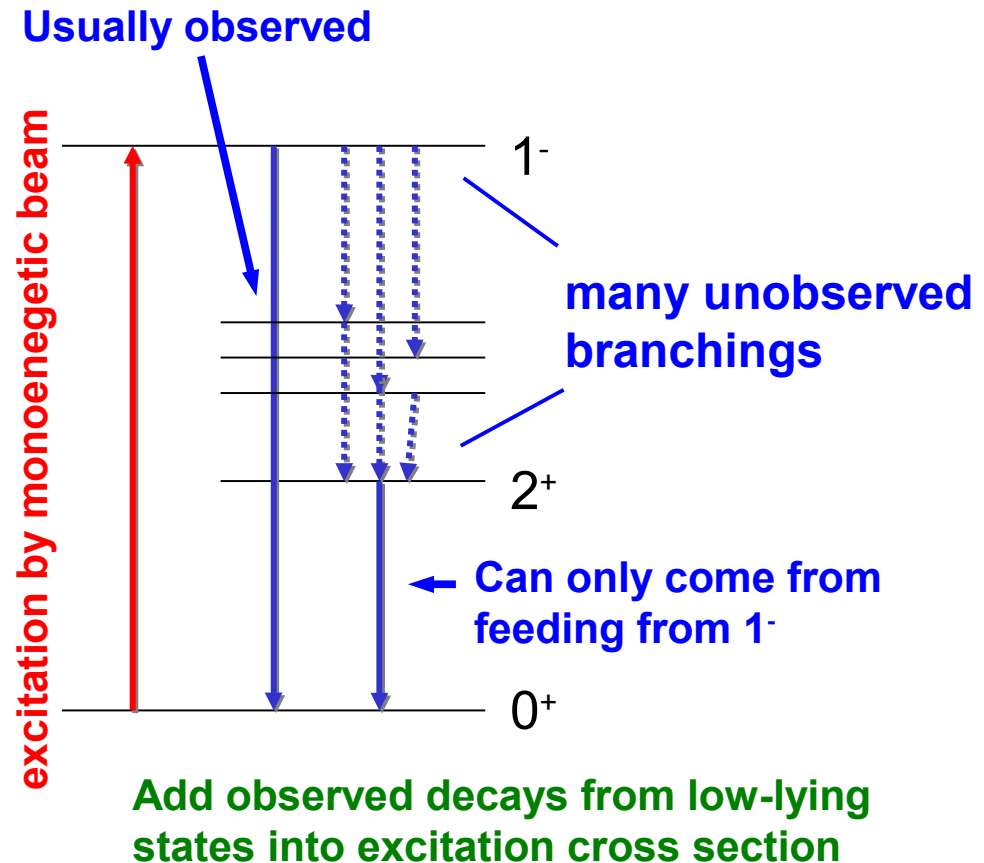
Much E1 Strength is Hidden

Now including HIGS Data:

Higher-lying states decay stronger to excited states – corrections to total E1 excitation strength!

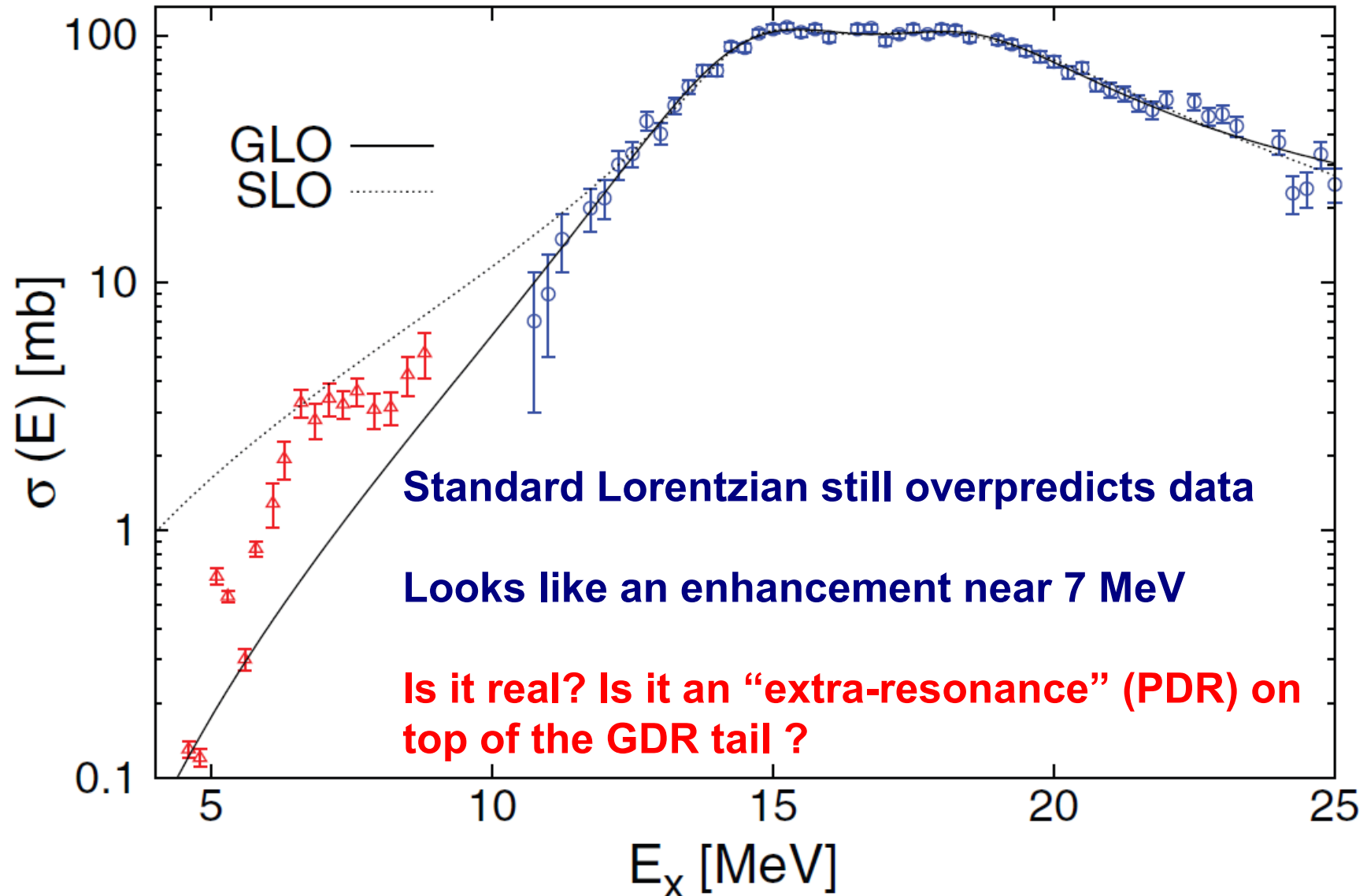


Similar to observation in ^{138}Ba ,
A. Tonchev, PRL 104, 072501 ('10)



In Pygmy region: affects sum strength by a factor of 2 or more

Branching-corrected x-sections



No Enhancement in ^{76}Ge



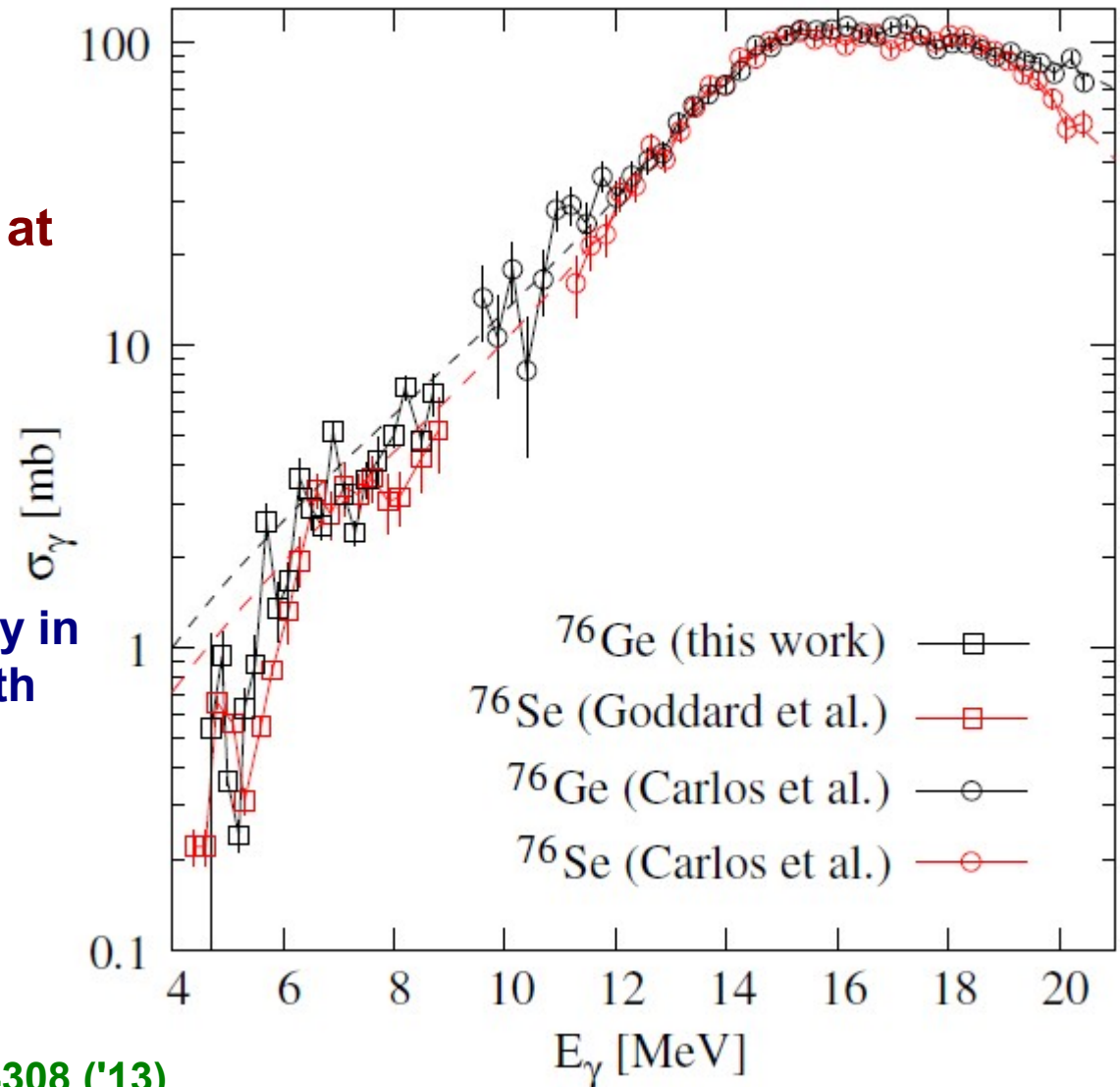
Result from photon-scattering:
(many weeks of beamtime at TUD
and HIGS)

There appears to be a structure at
 ~ 7 MeV in ^{76}Se

Analog experiments on ^{76}Ge give a
puzzling result: **no enhancement !**

Maybe because of higher level density in
 ^{76}Se due to deformation \Rightarrow E1 strength
more fragmented, unobserved.

PSFs may be tested from such data!
Important for astro, reactions,...



P. Goddard, N. Cooper, VW, ..., PRC 88, 064308 ('13)
R. Ilieva & P. Humby, MA thesis, Yale/Surrey



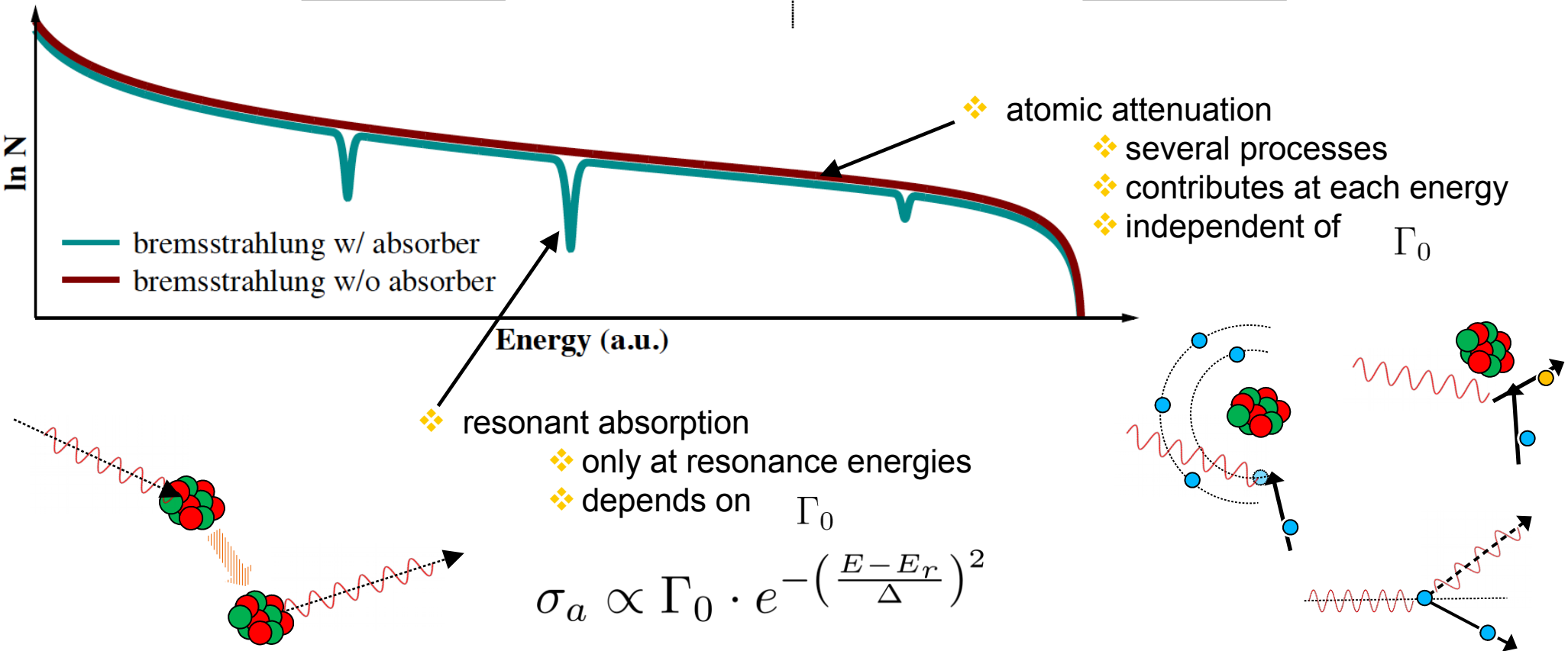
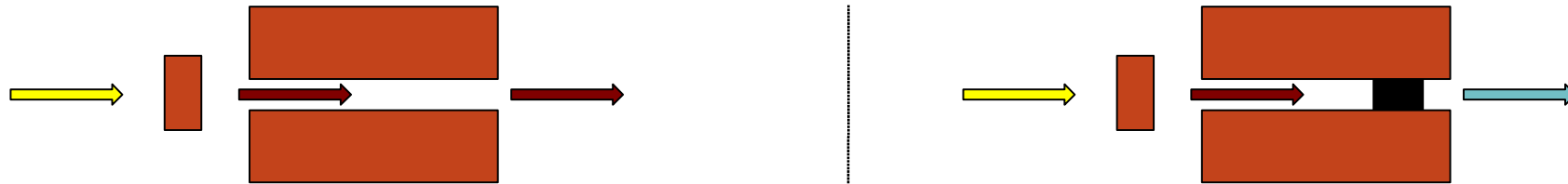
Relative Self-Absorption

Absorption Processes



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Absorption lines only a few eV wide!



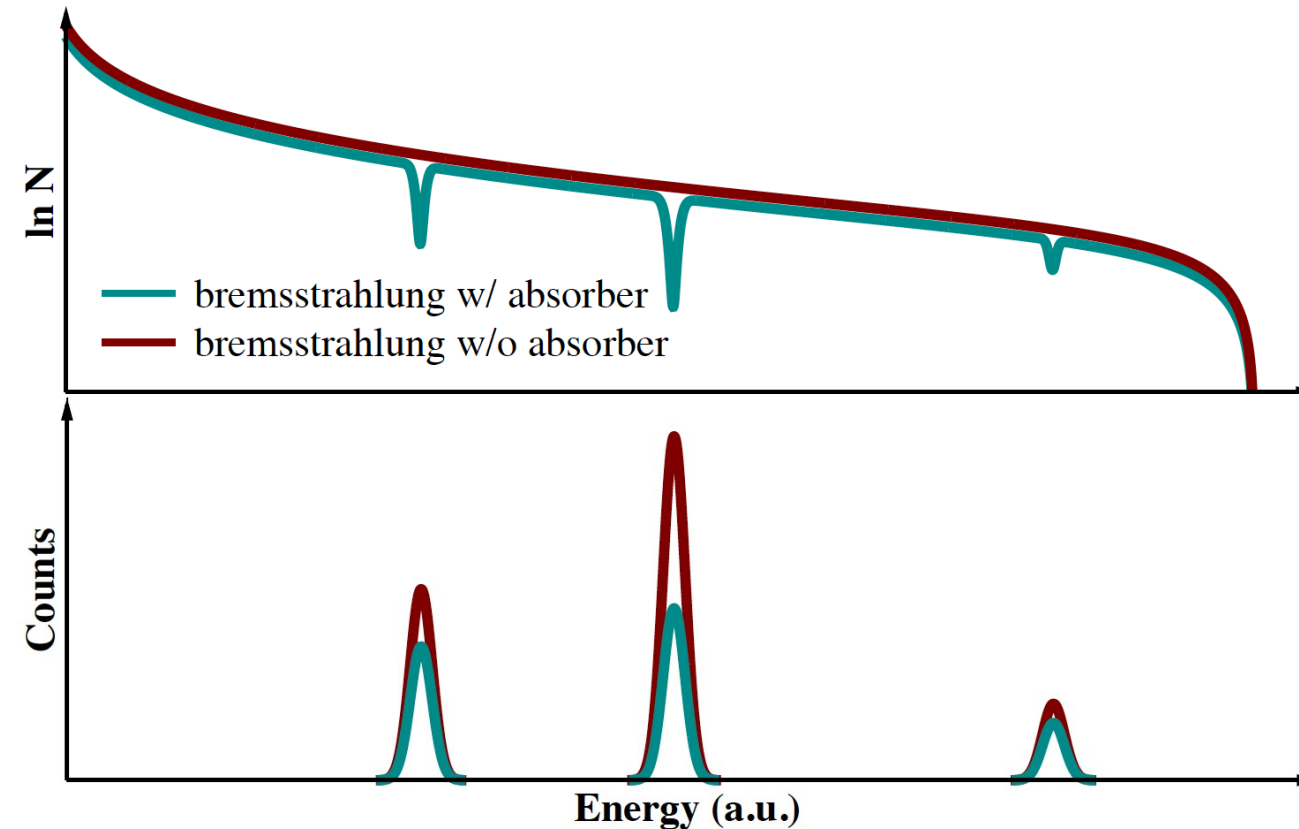
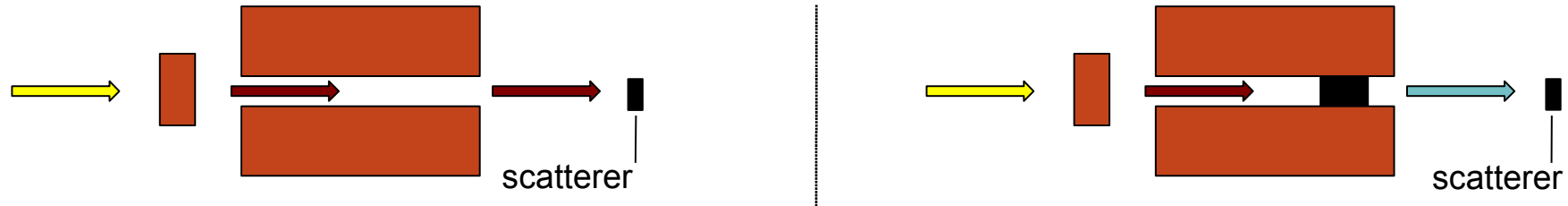
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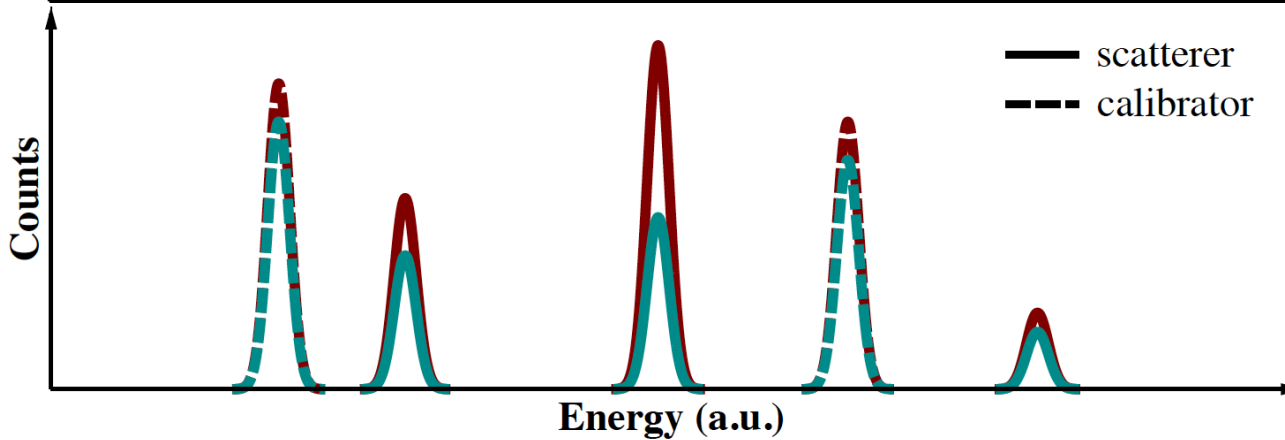
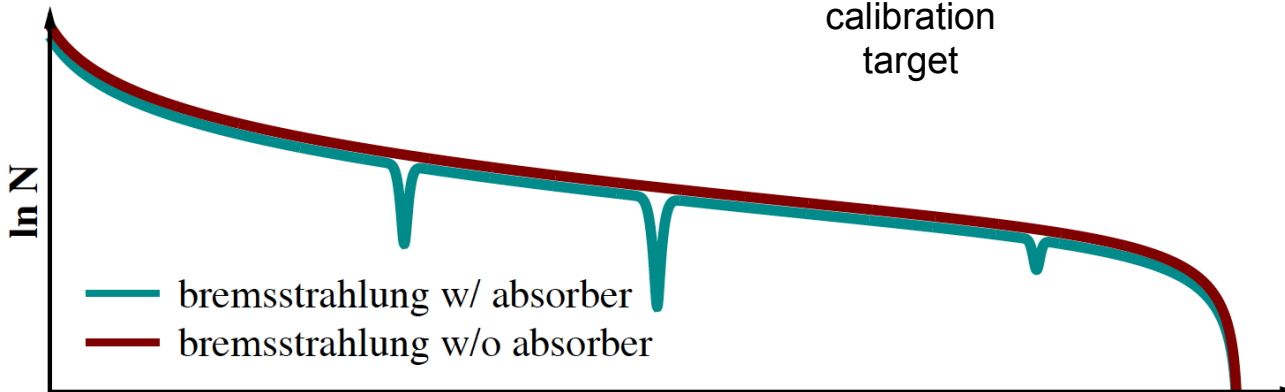
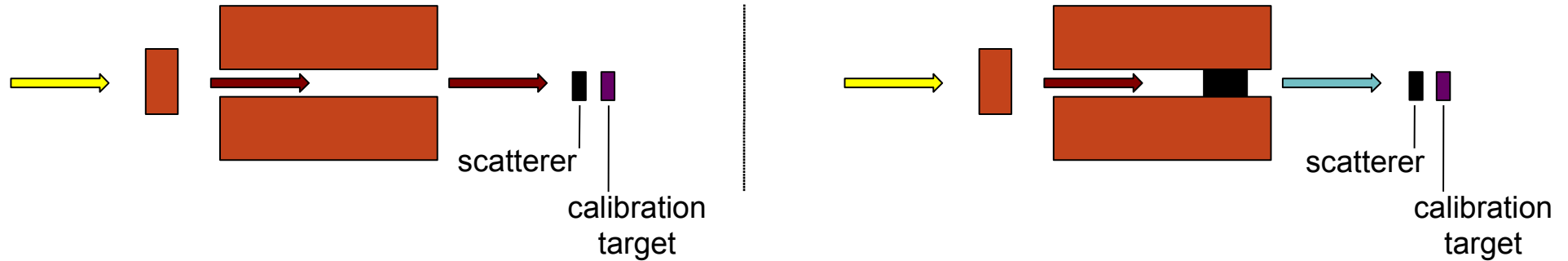
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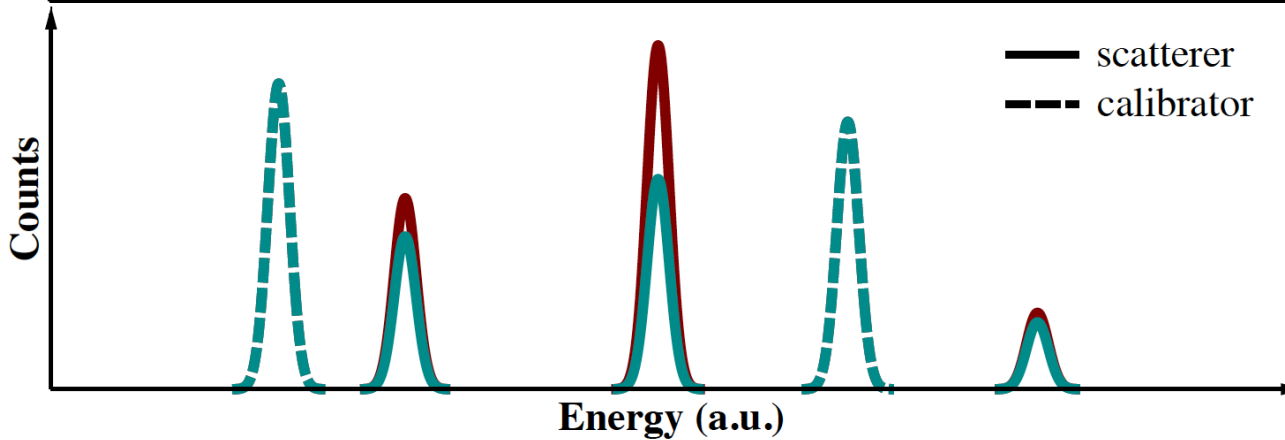
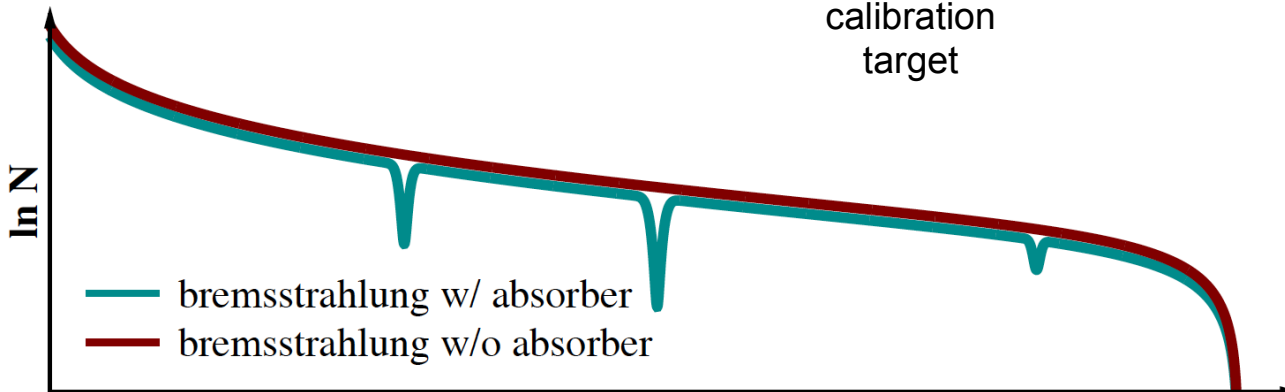
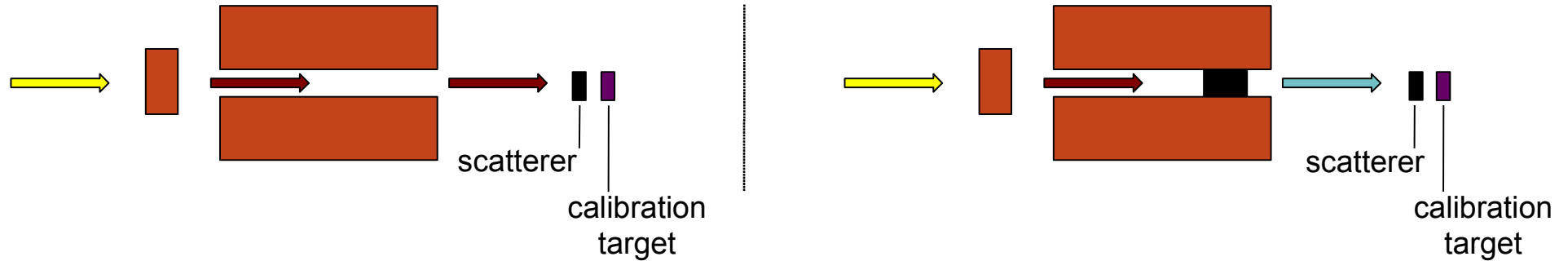
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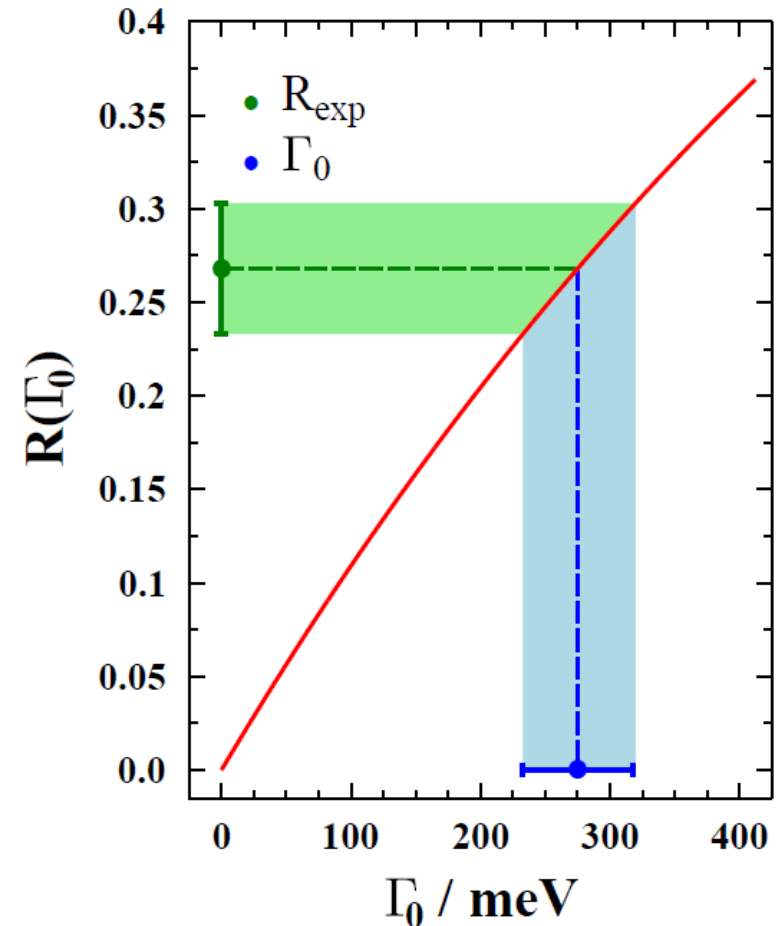
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Relative Self Absorption (RSA) Technique



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- ❖ calculate R as function of Γ_0
- ❖ self absorption R_{exp} determined experimentally
- ❖ comparison of experiment and calculation gives ground-state transition width Γ_0
- ❖ NRF measurement gives $\Gamma_0 \cdot \frac{\Gamma_0}{\Gamma}$
- ❖ thus total transition width Γ and branching ratio Γ_0/Γ to ground state can be determined



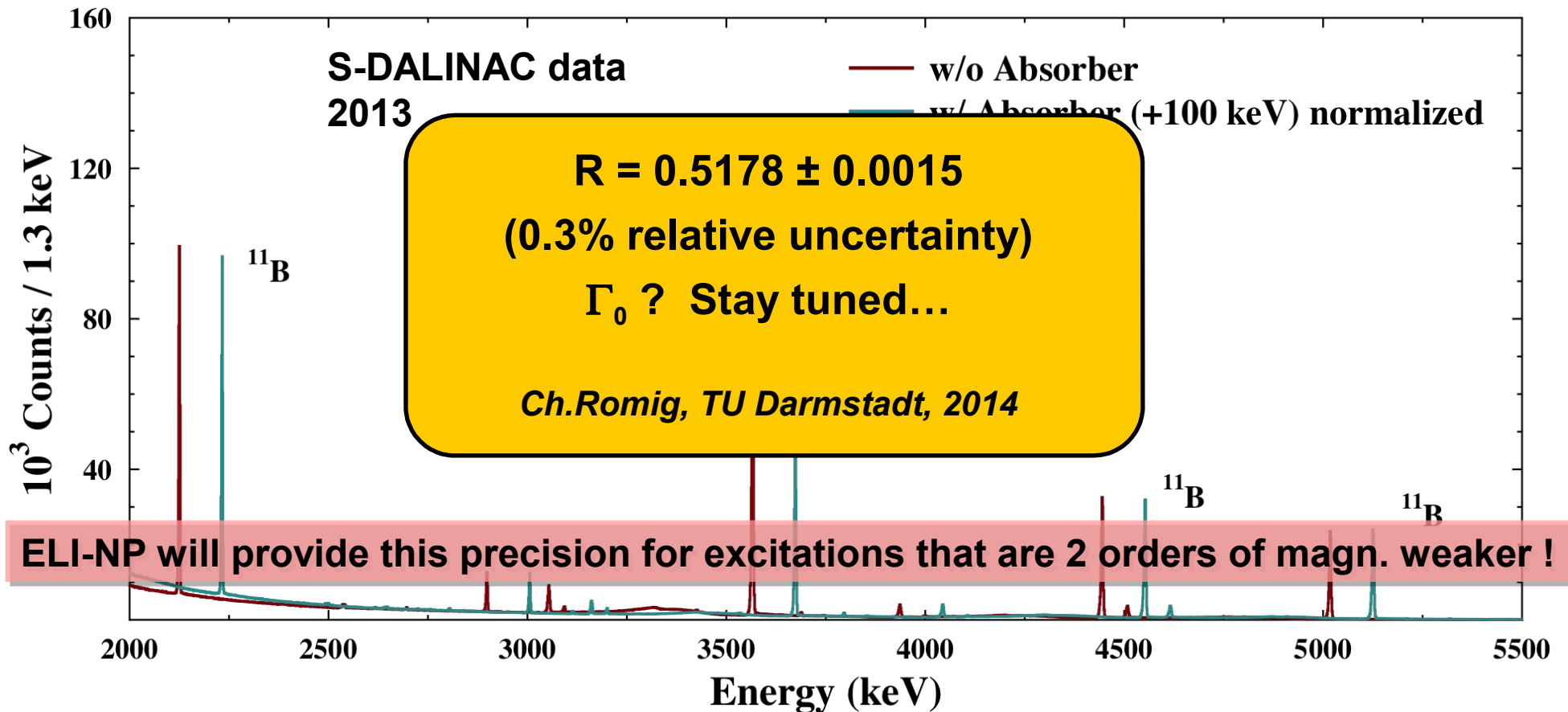
Self Absorption Measurement on ${}^6\text{Li}$

(Ch.Romig, TU Darmstadt, PhD thesis, 2014 in preparation)



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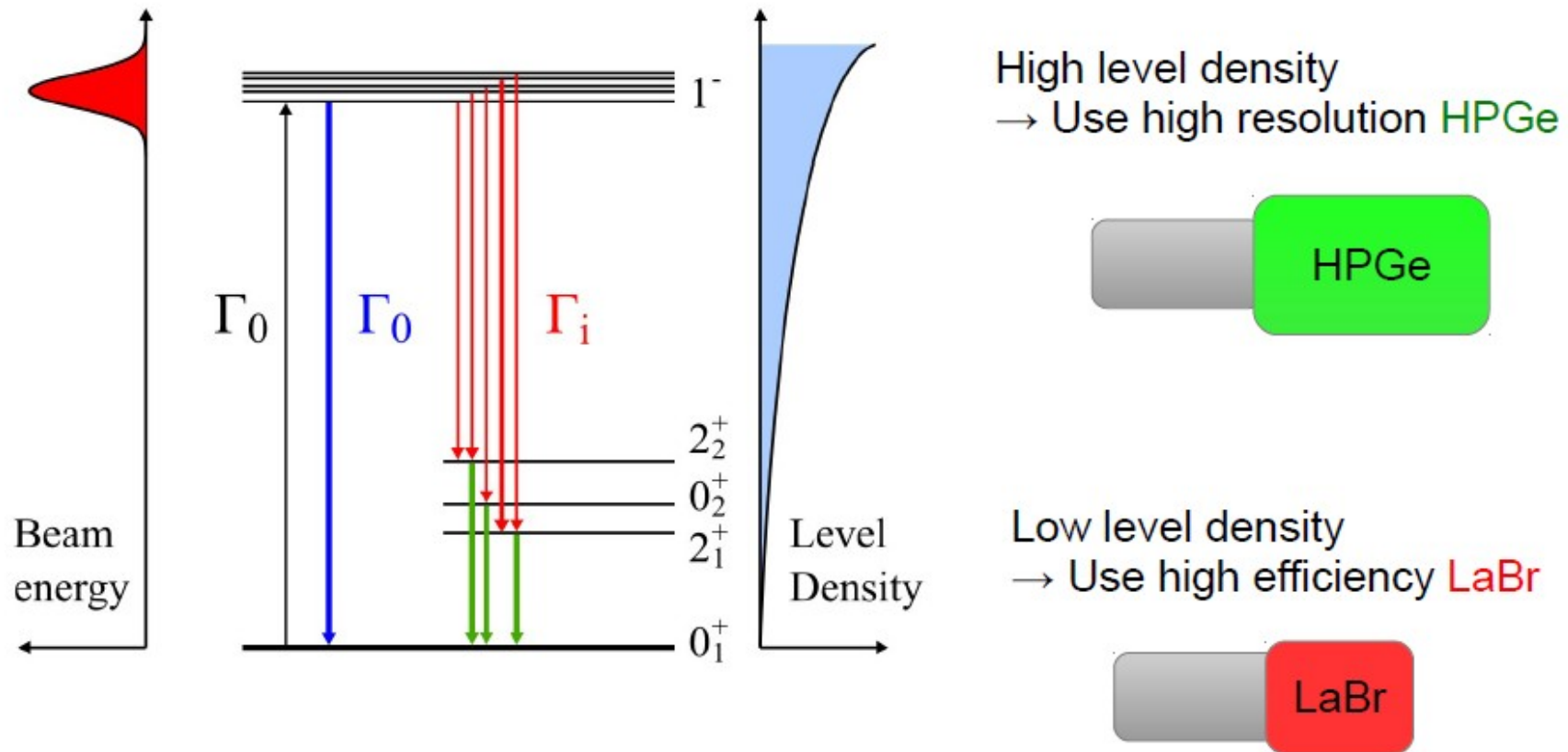
- scatterer: 5 g Li_2CO_3 (enriched to 95% in ${}^6\text{Li}$)
- calibration target: 4.2 g ${}^{11}\text{B}$ (sandwiched)
- absorber: 10 g Li_2CO_3 (enriched to 95% in ${}^6\text{Li}$)
- endpoint energy: 7.1 MeV
- 7 days w/o absorber
- 8 days w/ absorber





Coincidence Spectroscopy

γ^3 Setup

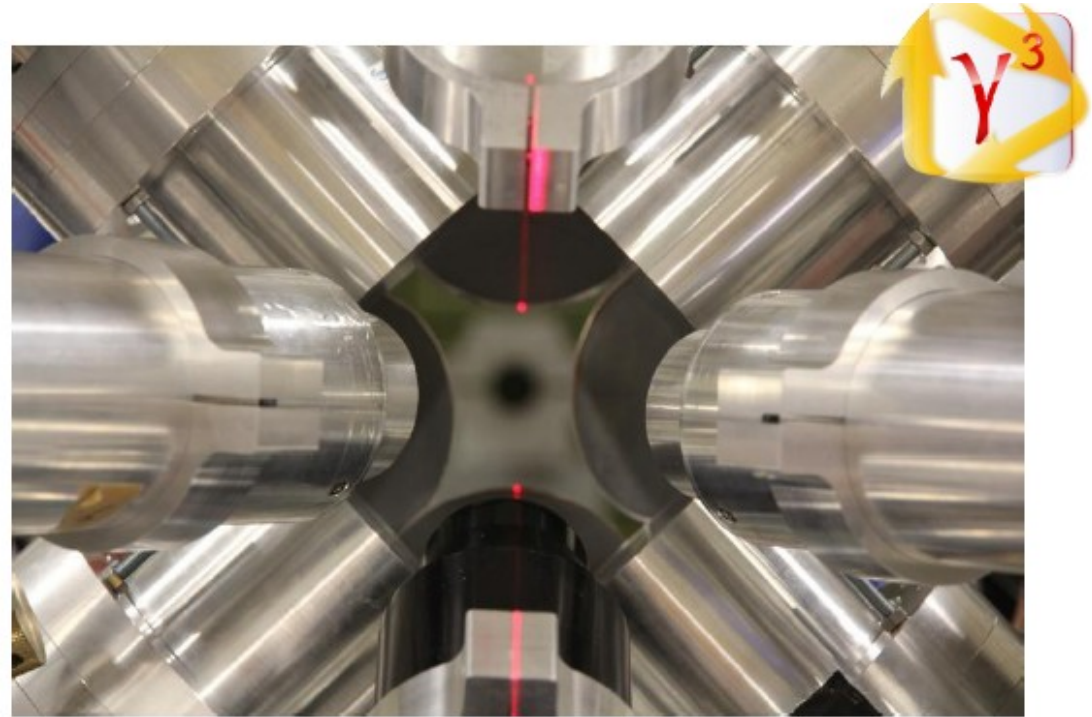
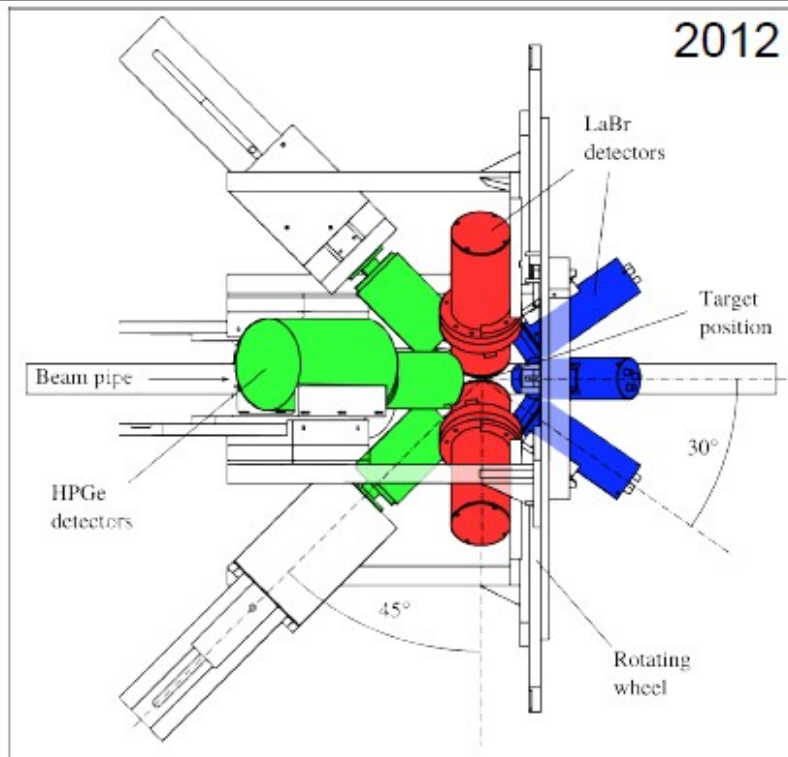


- Combine **HPGe** with **LaBr** detectors

γ^3 Setup



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B. Löher et al., Nucl. Instruments Methods Phys. Res. Sect. A **723**, 136–142 (2013).

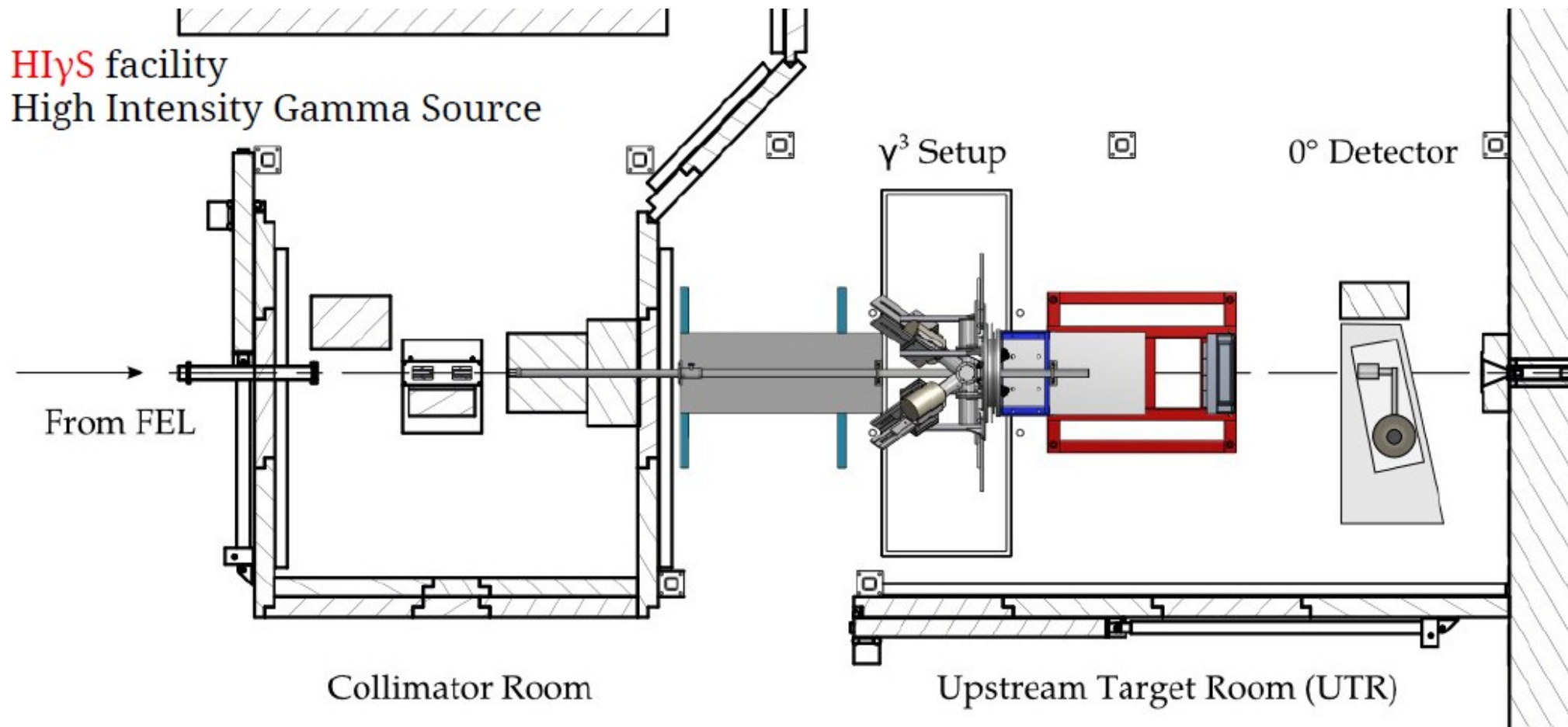
New detector array at HI γ S

- 4 high resolution **HPGe** detectors
- 7 high efficiency **LaBr** detectors
- Total efficiency: **6% + 1.3% @ 1.3 MeV (LaBr+HPGe)**

γ^3 Setup



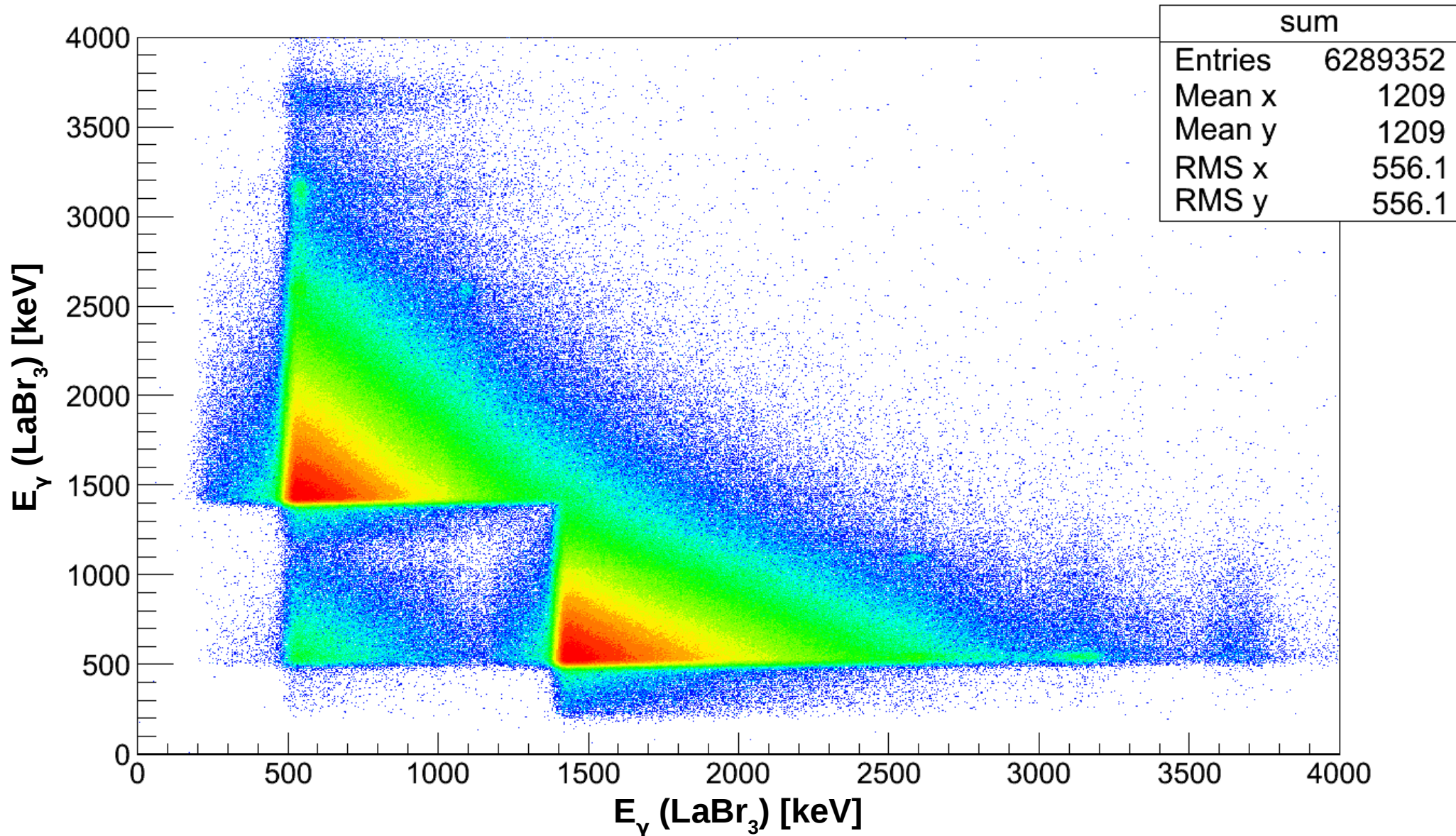
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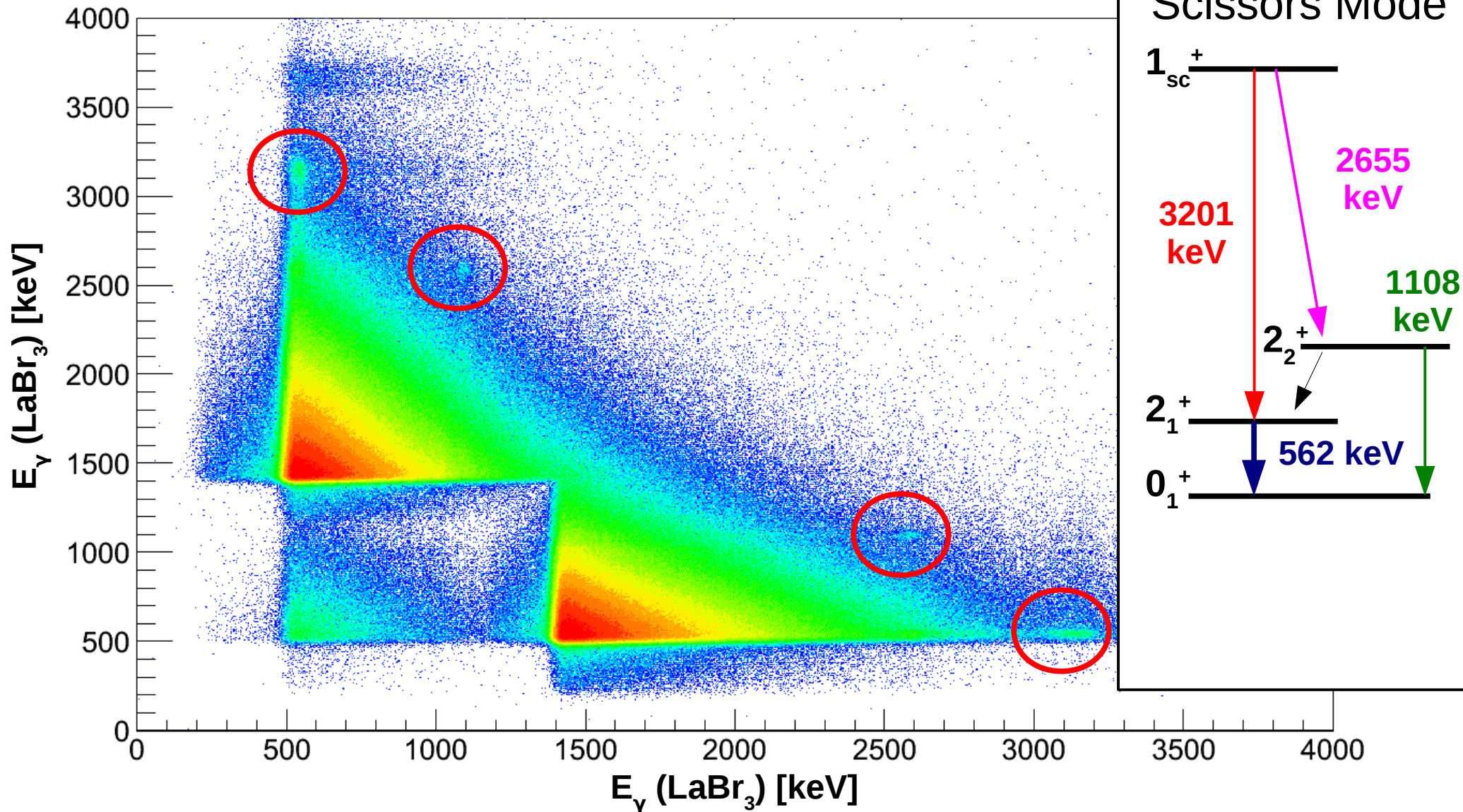
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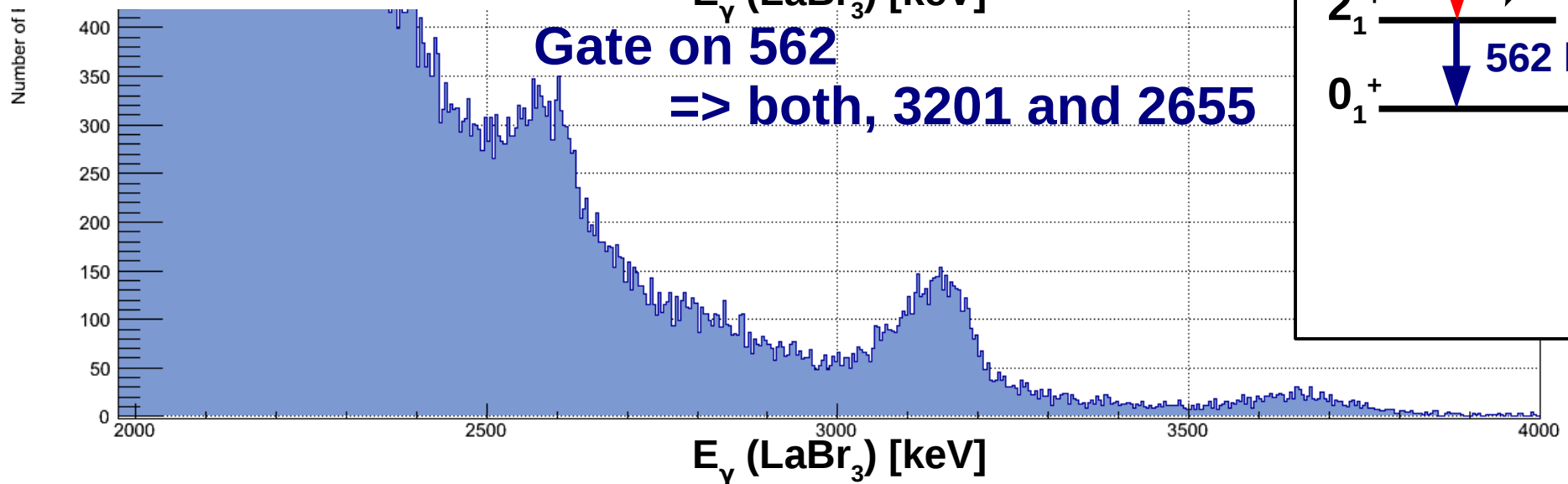
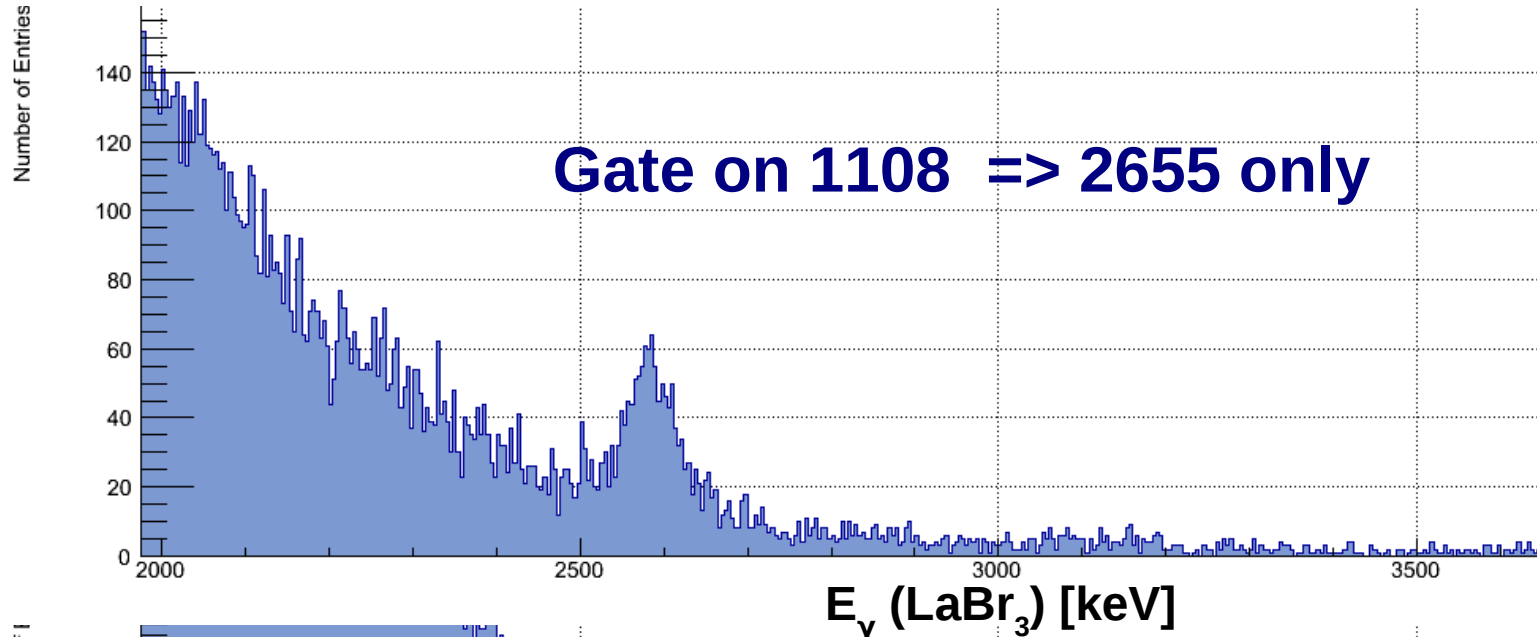
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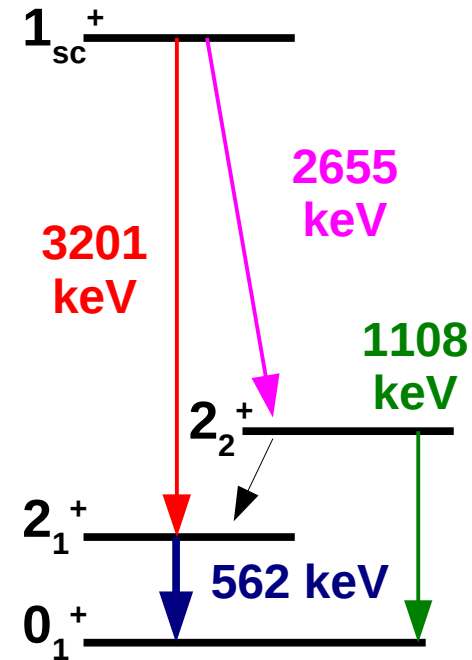
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Scissors Mode



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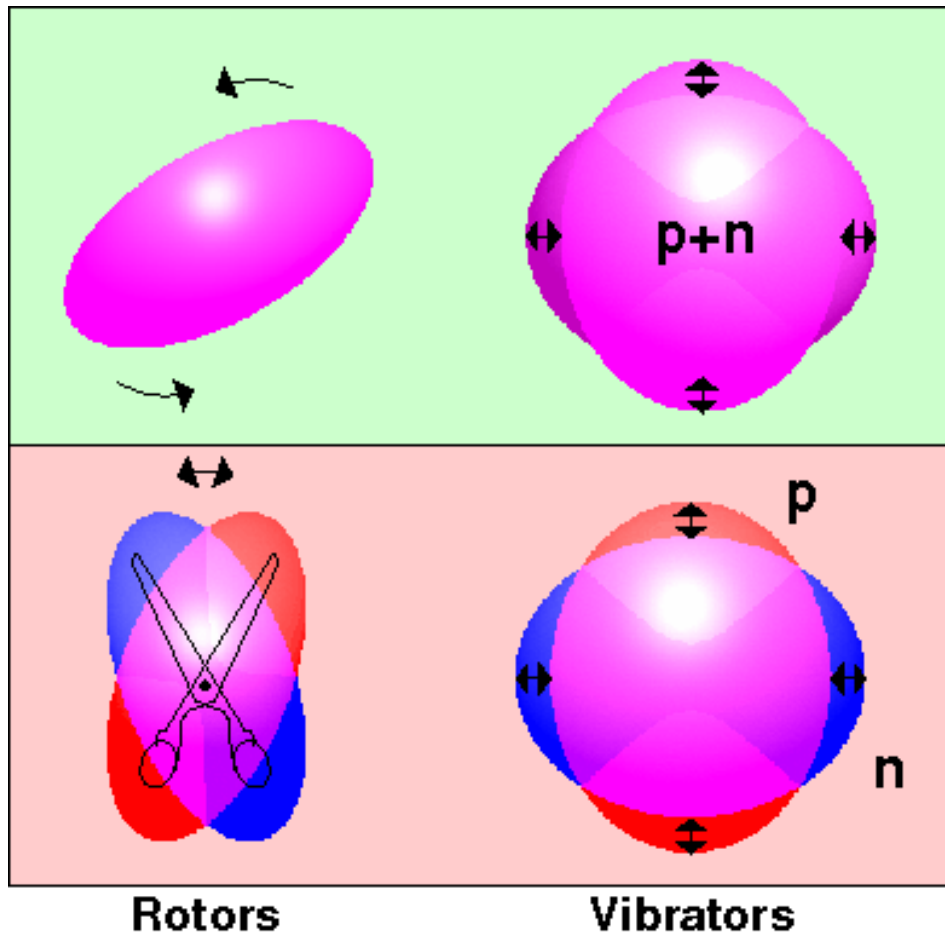
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So, what is it ?

Quadrupole Collectivity



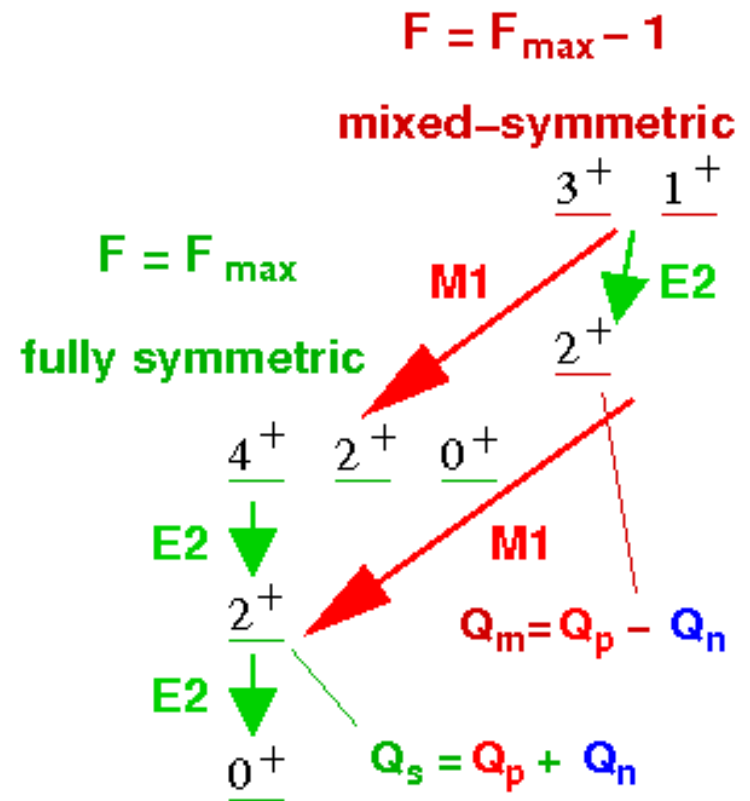
Proton-Neutron symmetric



Rotors

Vibrators

F-Spin is the bosonic analog to isospin

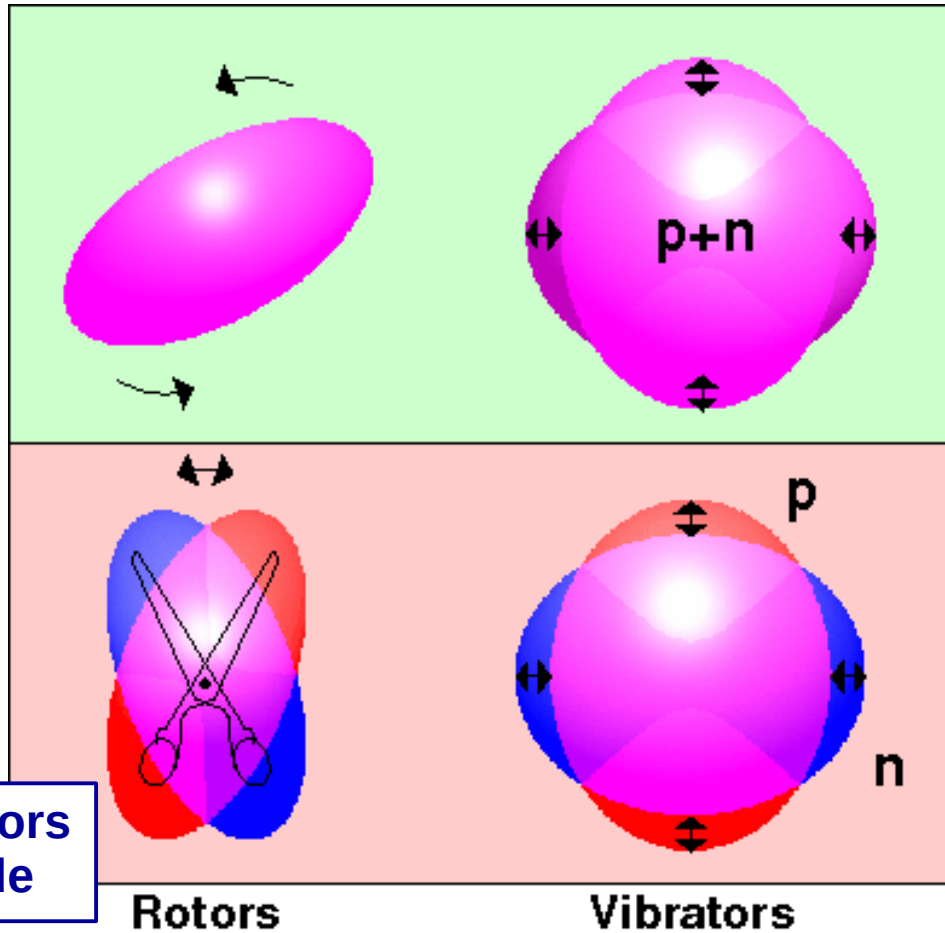


Proton-Neutron mixed-symmetric

Excitation by the quadrupole operator

Quadrupole Collectivity

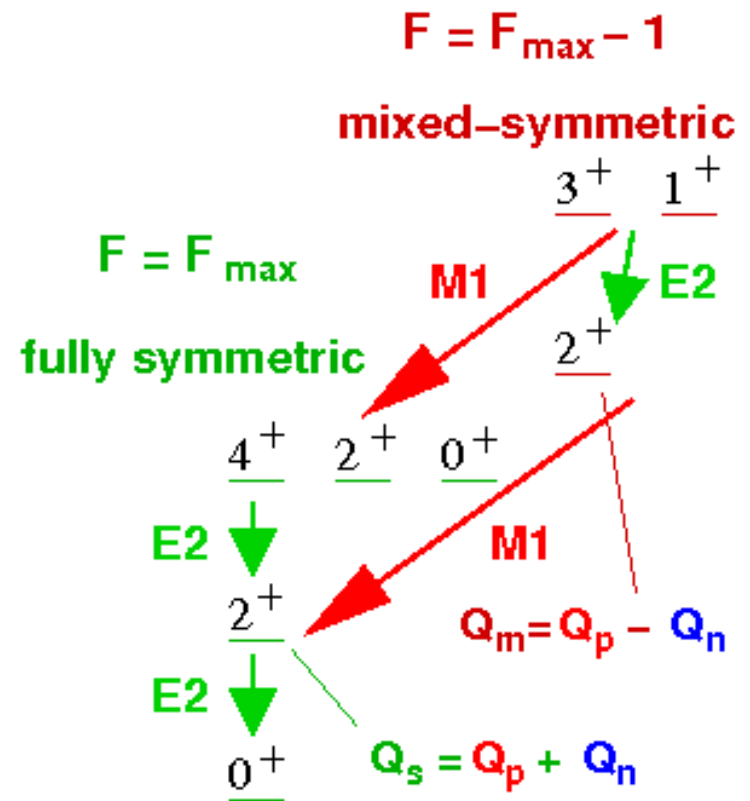
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Scissors
Mode

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Phonon-Coupling Scheme

Scissors Mode Systematics

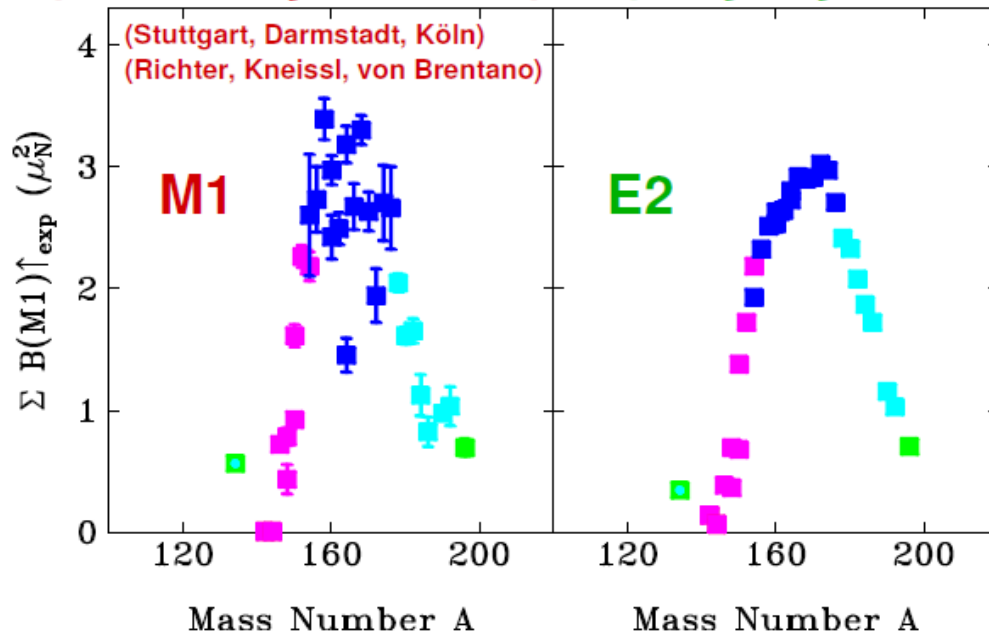


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clearly collective, degree of fragmentation depends on deformation

(mixed-symmetric)

(fully-symmetric)



Systematics:

Quadrupole Collectivity
peaks at mid-shell

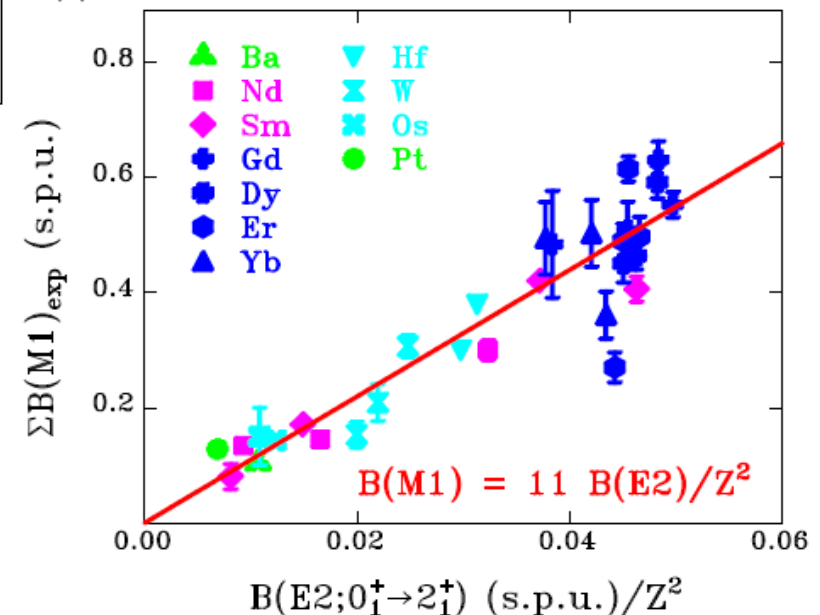
E2 excitation strength is isoscalar.

(maintain proton-neutron symmetry in the wavefunctions)

M1 excitation strength is isovector.

(wavefunctions not symmetric under proton-neutron exchange)

N. Pietralla et al., PRC 58, 184 (1998)





Why do we care in ^{76}Ge ?

Need to know wave functions of initial + final (+ interm.) states



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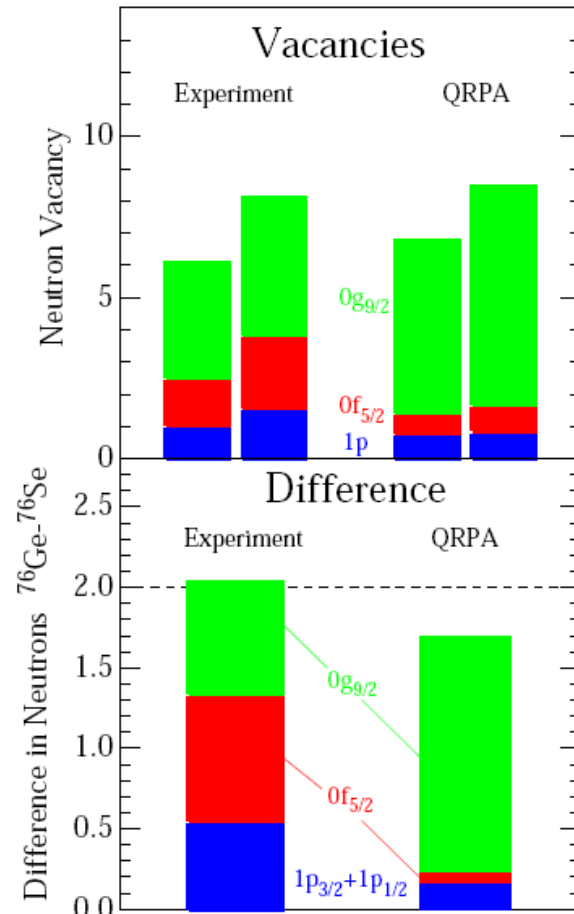
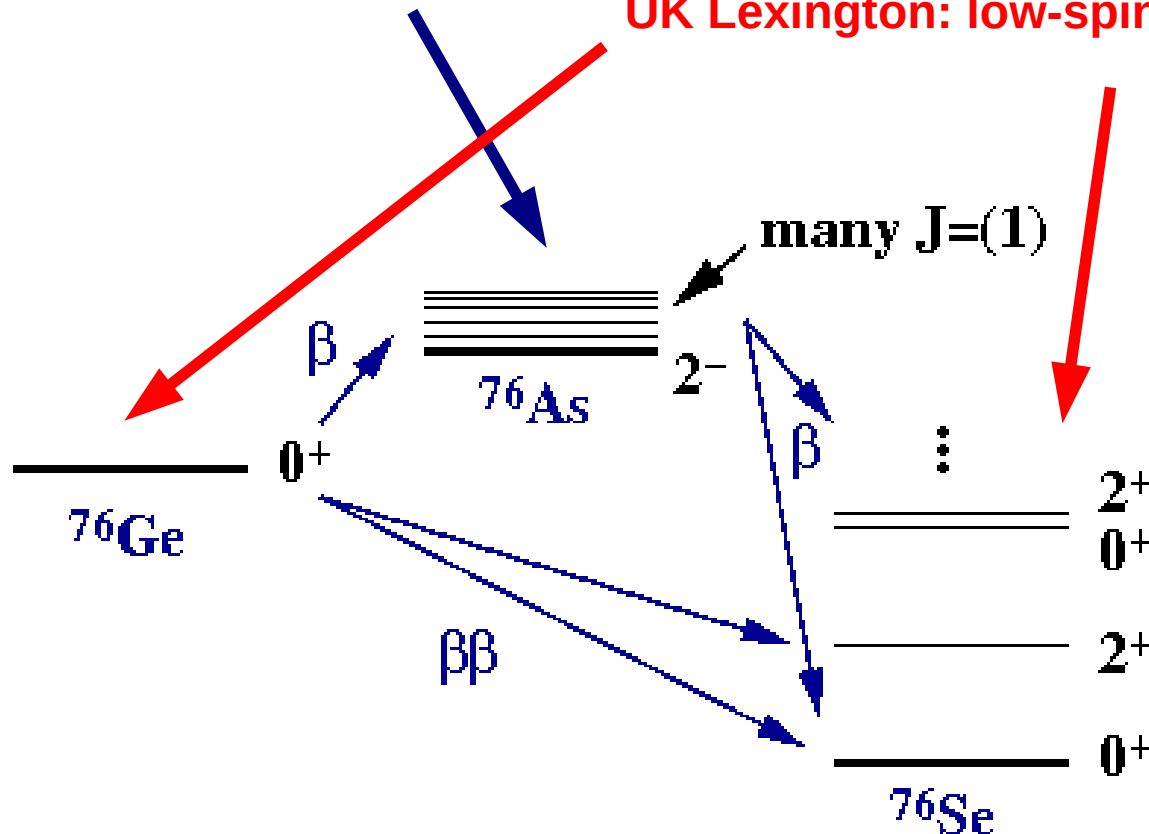
WNSL: $\gamma\gamma$ -angular correlations and γ -intensities

TRIUMF: test of β -decay ratios within a penning trap

TU Darmstadt: dipole strength distribution (γ, γ')

HIGS: parities ($\vec{\gamma}, \gamma'$)

UK Lexington: low-spin ($n, n'\gamma$)

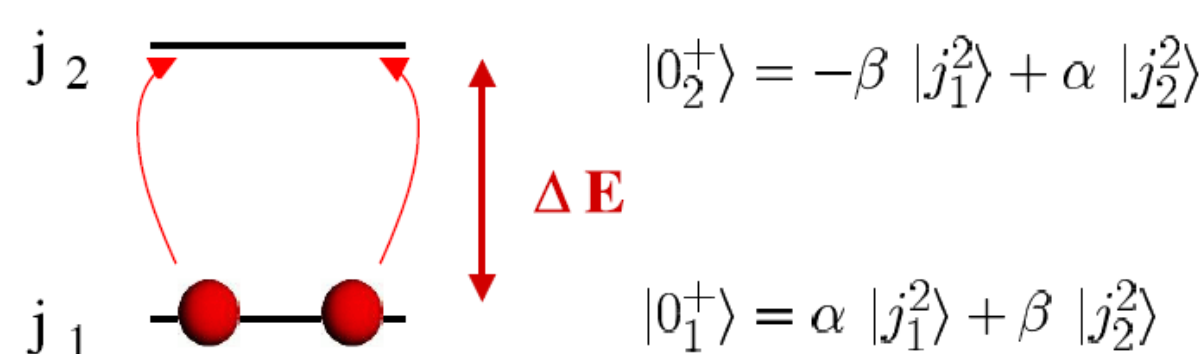


J. Schiffer, S. Freeman et al.
@ WNSL



The role of shape coexistence !

E0 Strength and Shape Mixing



E0 strengths corresponds to different radii (deformations)

$$\langle 0_1^+ | r^2 | 0_2^+ \rangle = (\alpha^2 - \beta^2) \langle j_1^2 | r^2 | j_2^2 \rangle + \alpha\beta \left(\langle j_1^2 | r^2 | j_1^2 \rangle - \langle j_2^2 | r^2 | j_2^2 \rangle \right)$$

E0 is large when

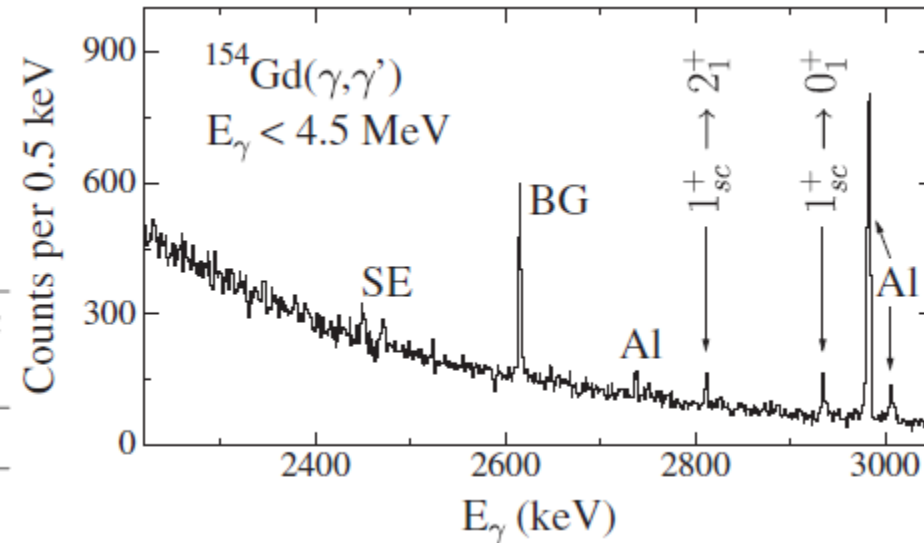
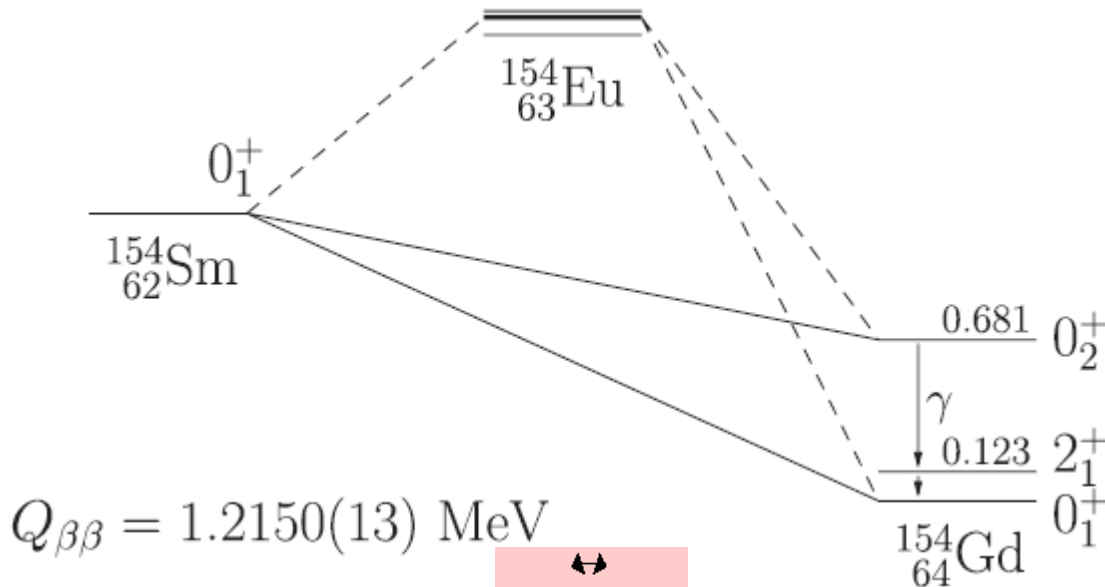
a) the two configurations have different avg. radii (deformations, shapes)

b) the two configurations mix strongly ($\alpha\beta$ term)

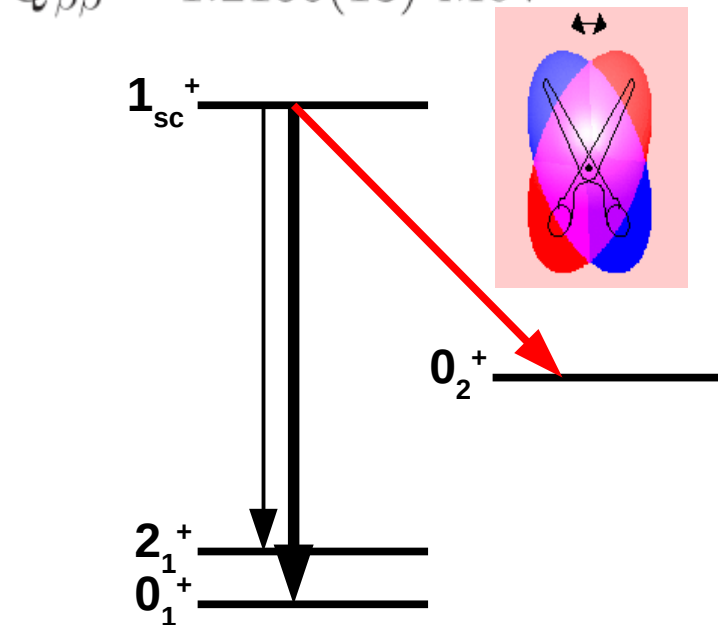
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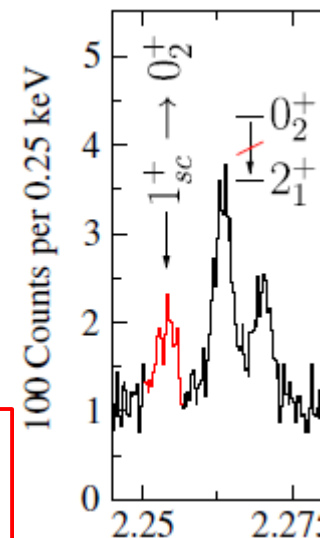
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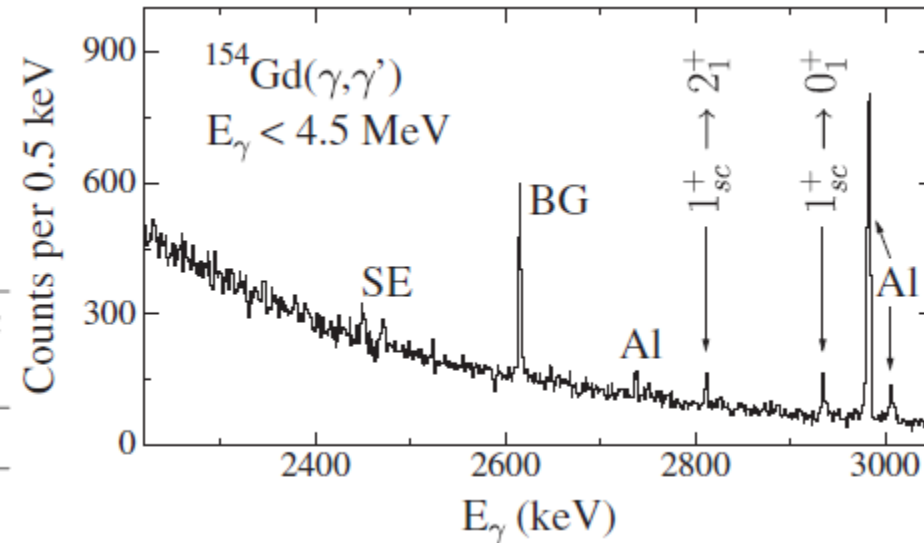
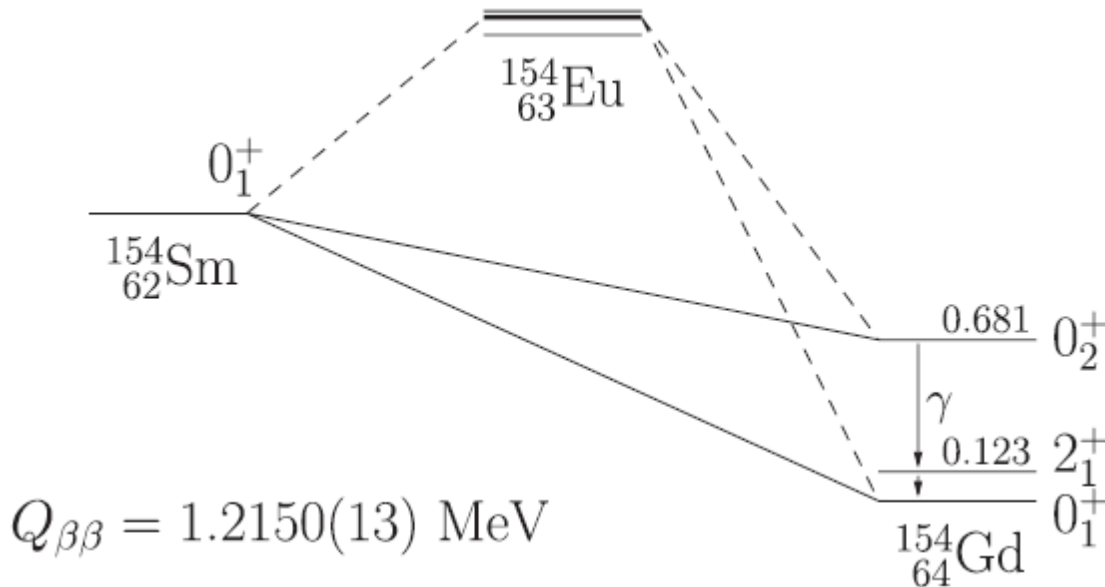
This could be done in one step at ELI-NP using the \sim mono-energetic γ -beam !



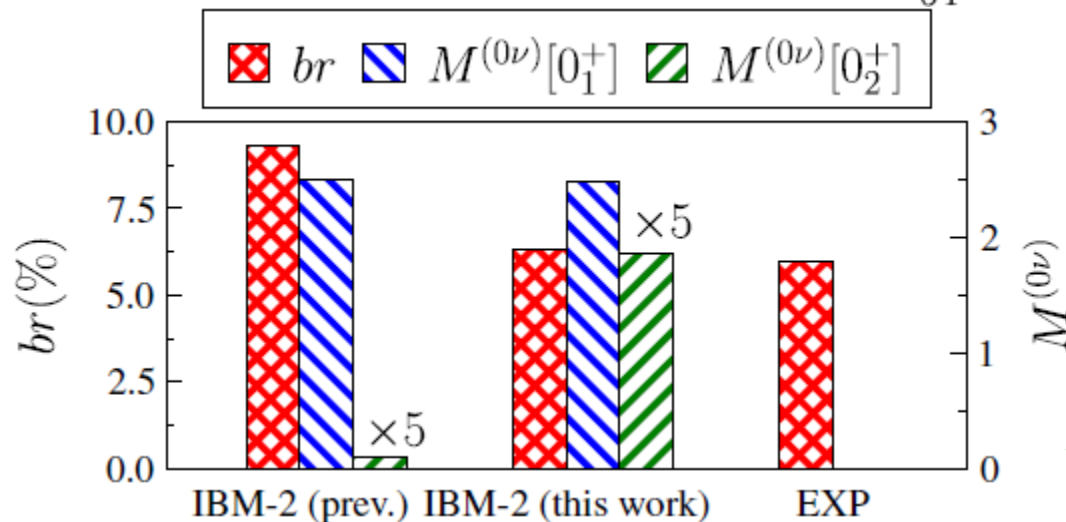
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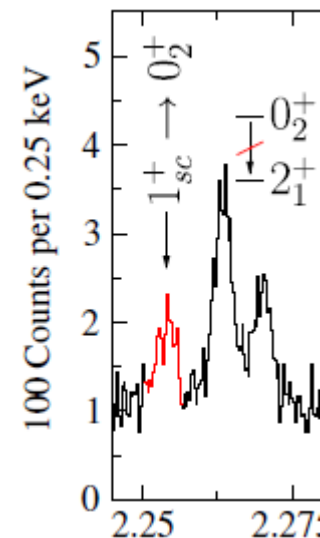


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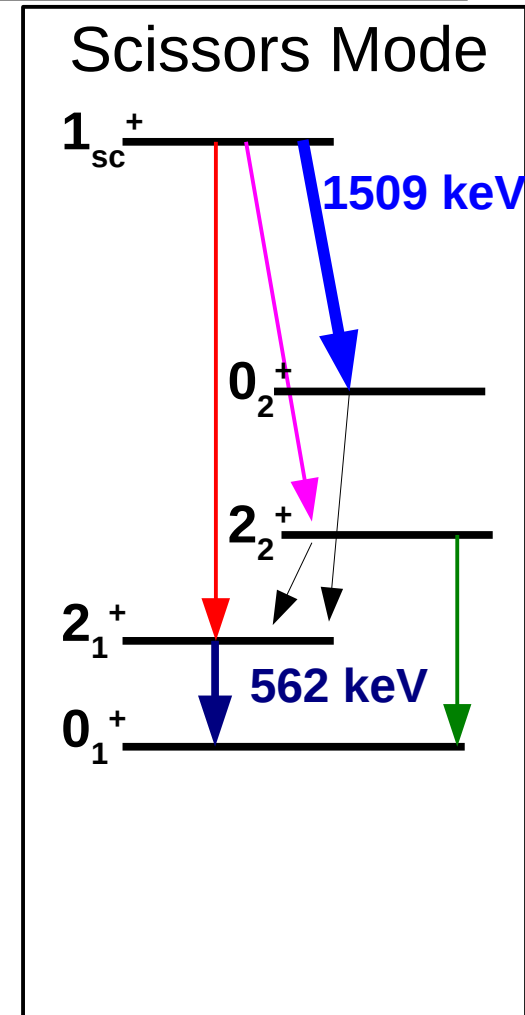
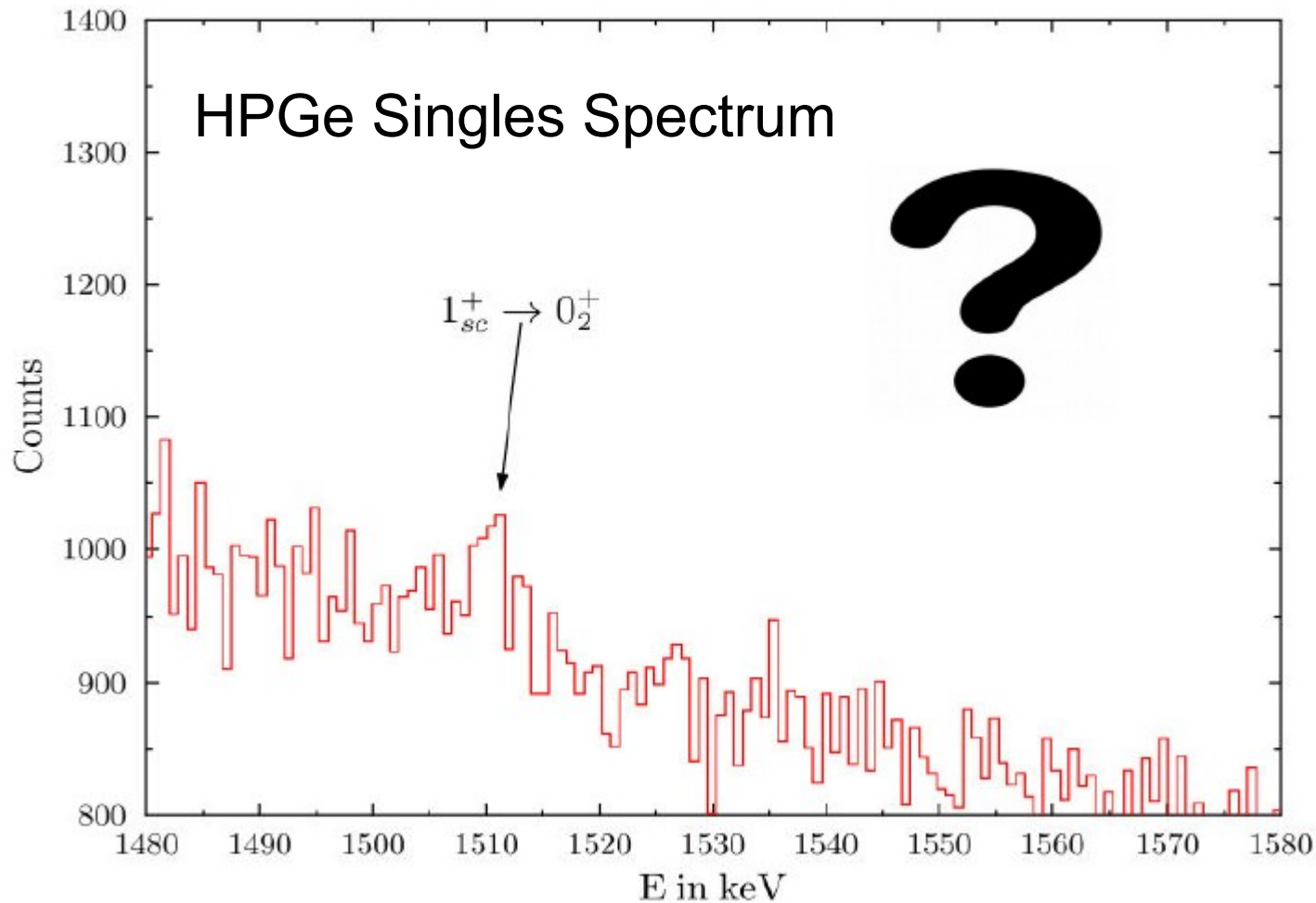
This new structure information leads to corrections of model parameters
IBM-2 -> predicted $0\nu 2\beta$ matrix elements change



How about Scissors Mode decays in ^{76}Ge then ?

We probably observe it

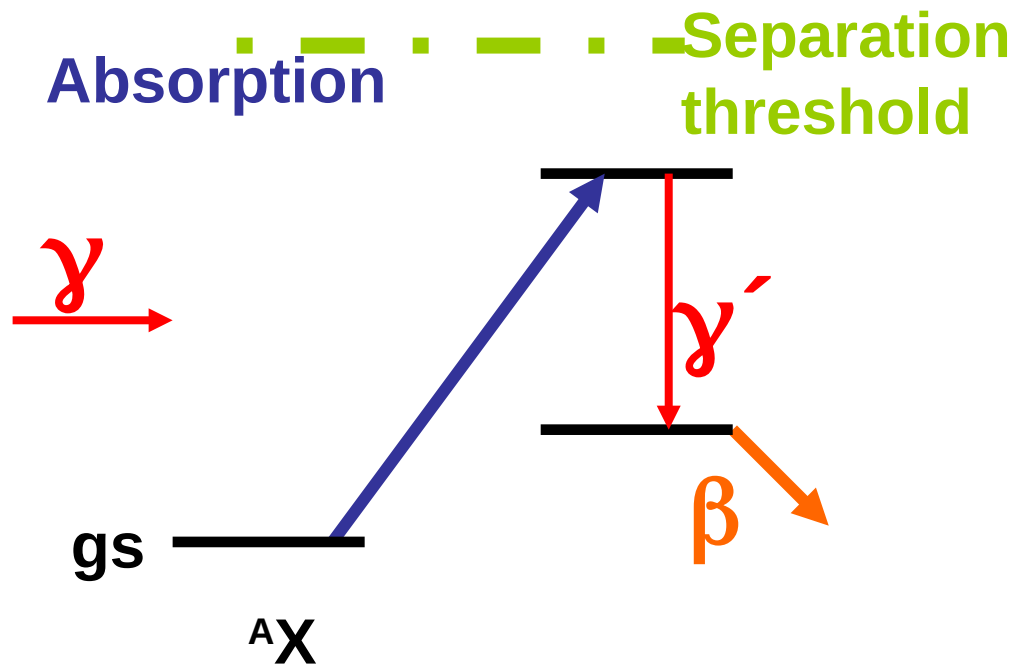
Now: careful analysis of coincidence spectra



Photoactivation Prospects ELI-NP



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Push the Intensity and Brilliance Frontiers

- Increase in beam intensity needed to be more efficient for example in coincidence experiments

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ELI-NP in Romania

HIGS upgrade -> HIGS2



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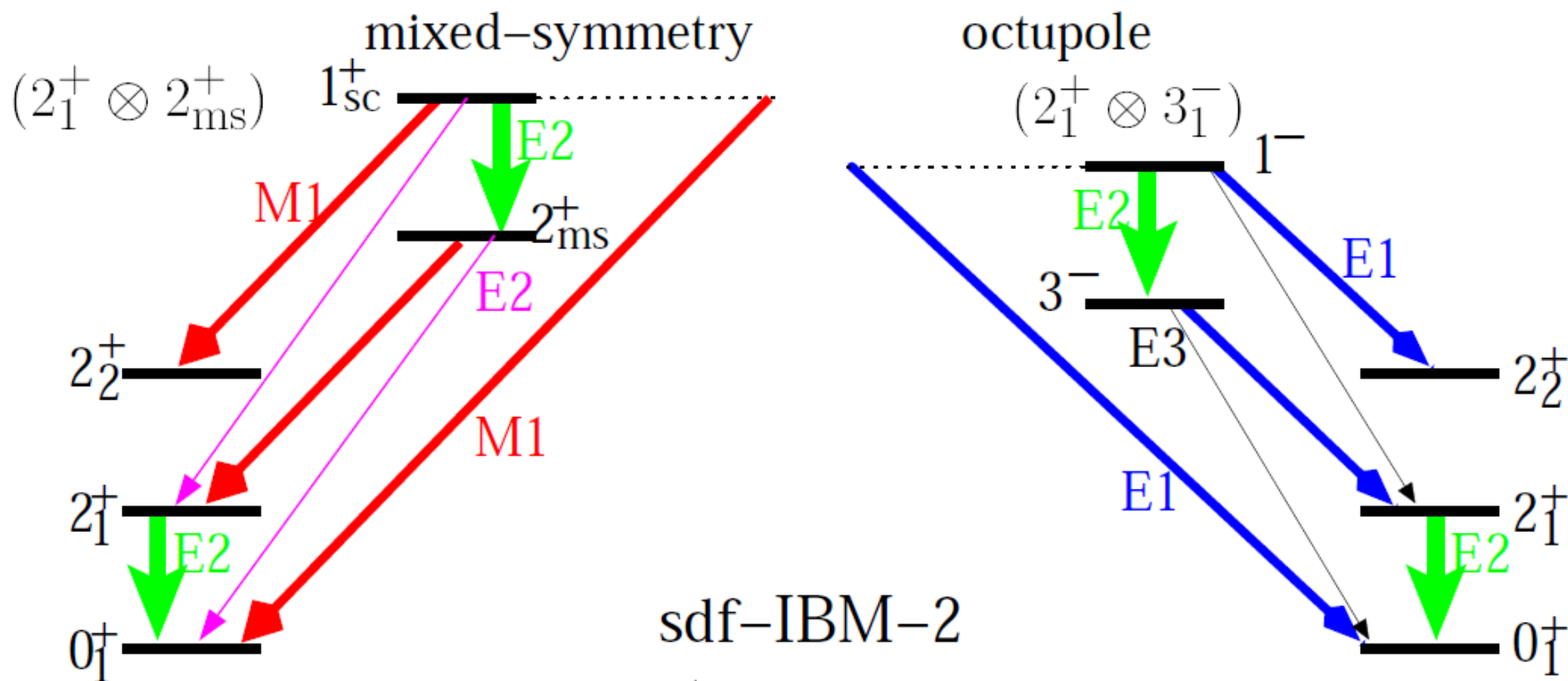
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Instrumentation Advances

- Use HPGe Clover detectors for higher efficiency
- Close the gap: Simultaneous γ -ray and neutron detection
- Use complementary experiments – e.g., at tandems:
 $\gamma\gamma$ -angular correlations, lifetime measurements, $(n,n'\gamma)$!!

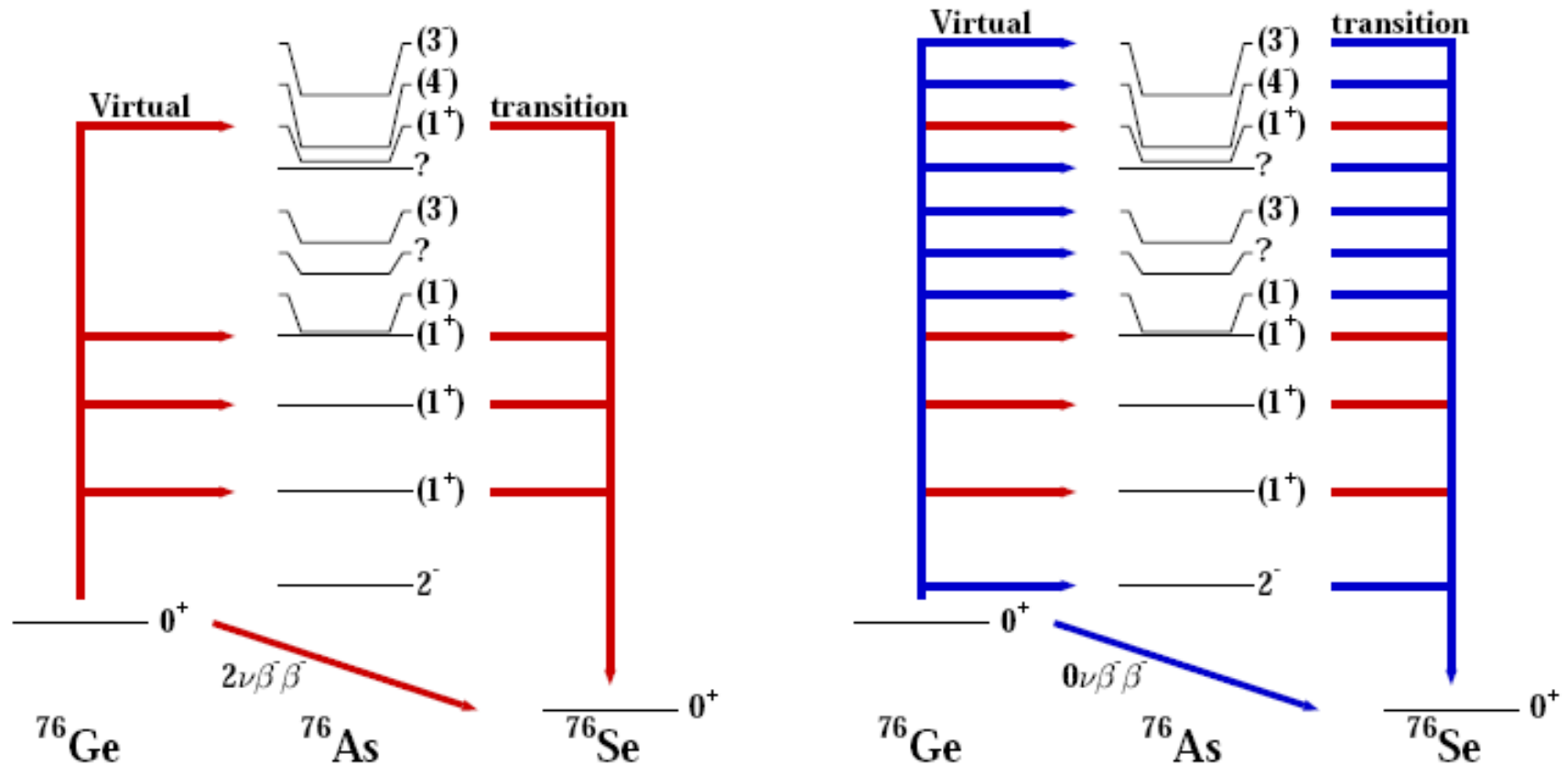


Program on $^{76}\text{Ge}/\text{As}/\text{Se}$



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The intermediate (virtually populated) ^{76}As



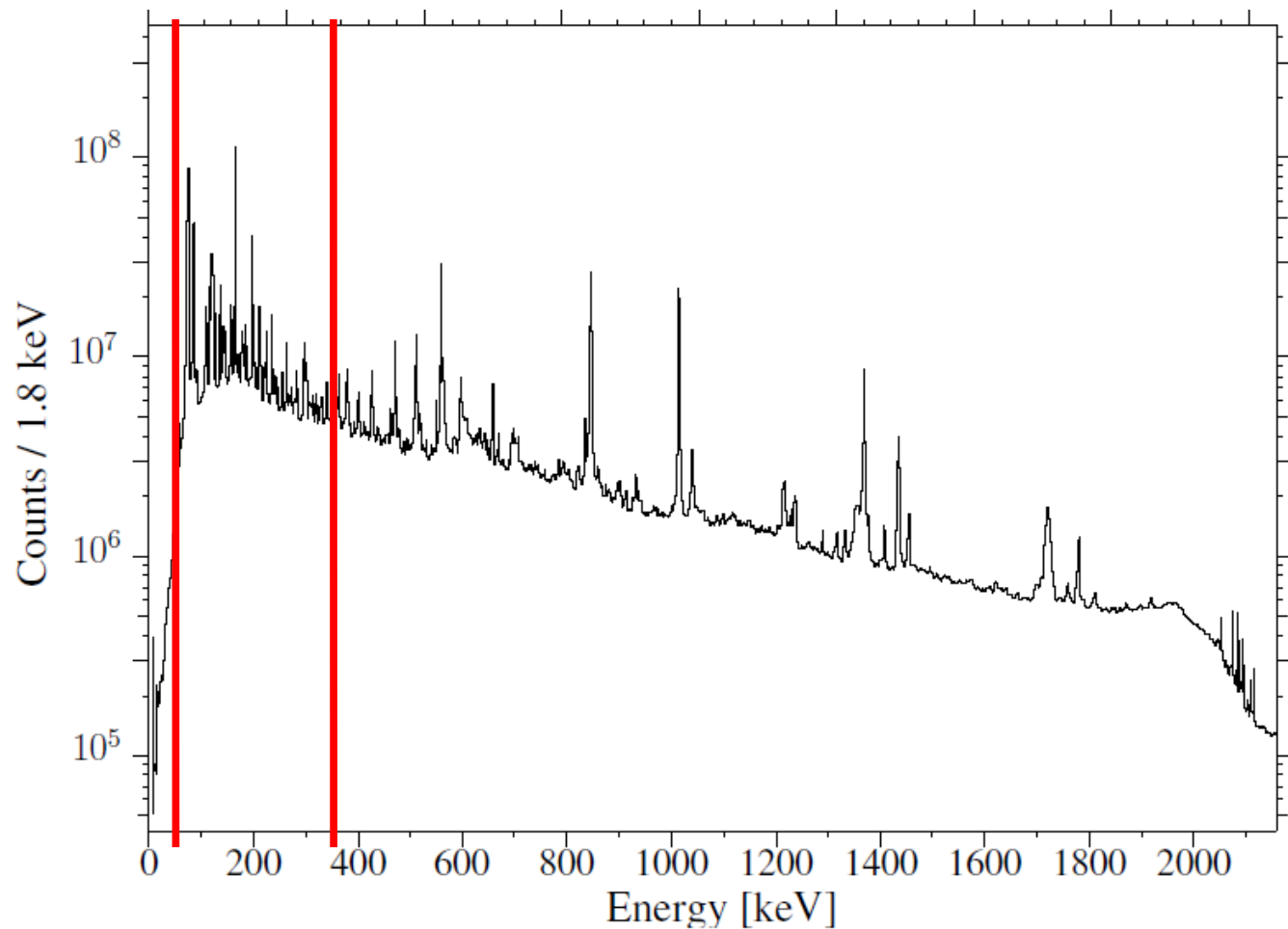
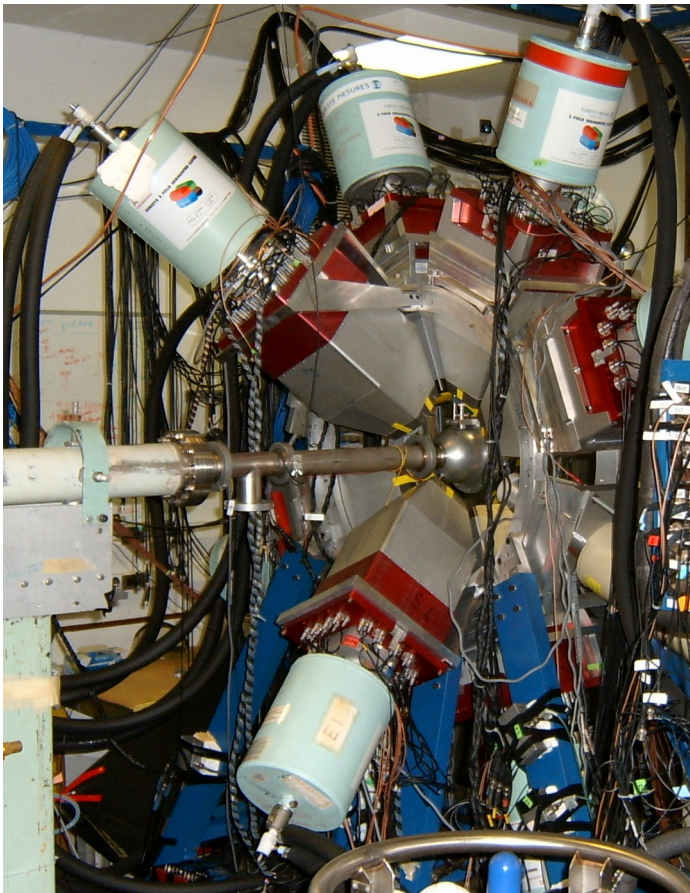
Except for the ground state, no spin is actually known in ^{76}As !

Program on $^{76}\text{Ge}/\text{As}/\text{Se}$



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$^{76}\text{Ge}(p,n)^{76}\text{As}$ at WNSL Tandem, YRAST-Ball



Not an easy spectrum to deal with...

Program on $^{76}\text{Ge}/\text{As}/\text{Se}$

Energy, lit. J **new J**

628, (1,2,3) \rightarrow **2(+)**

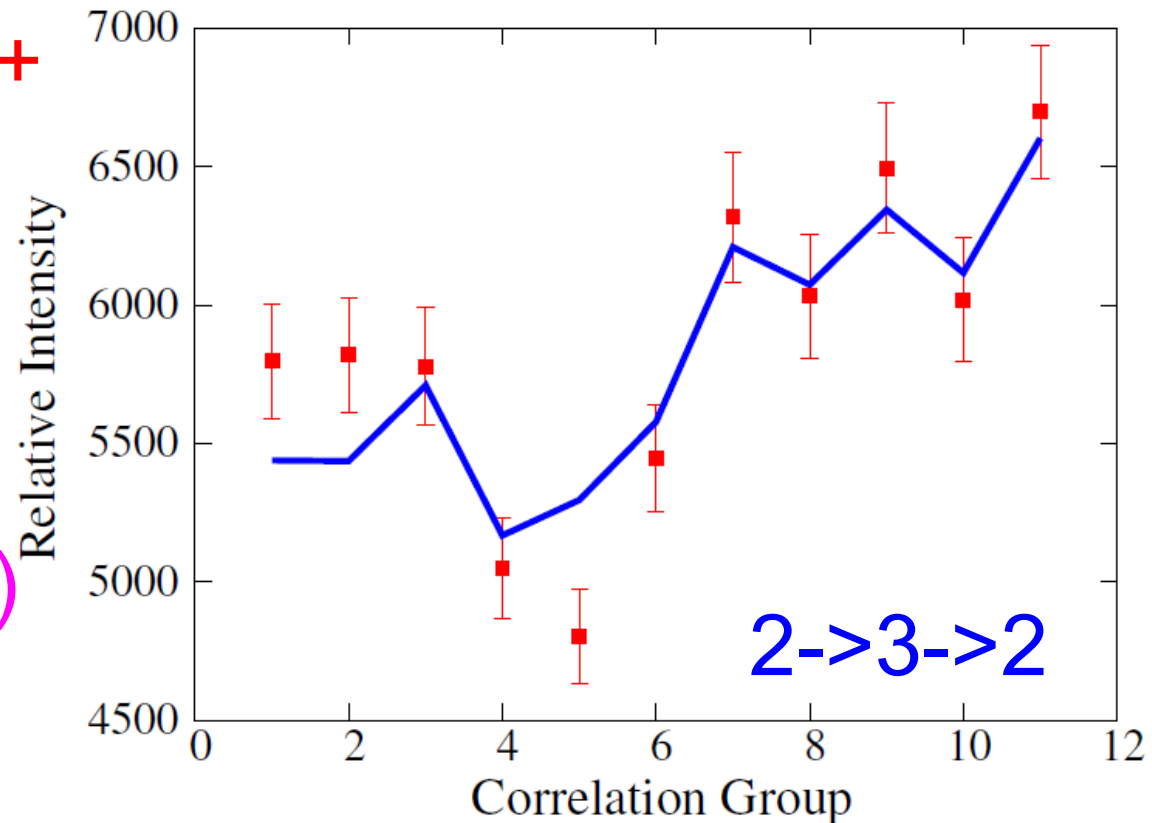
471, (2,3)+ \rightarrow **3+**

44, (1)+ \rightarrow **(2+)**

0, 2-

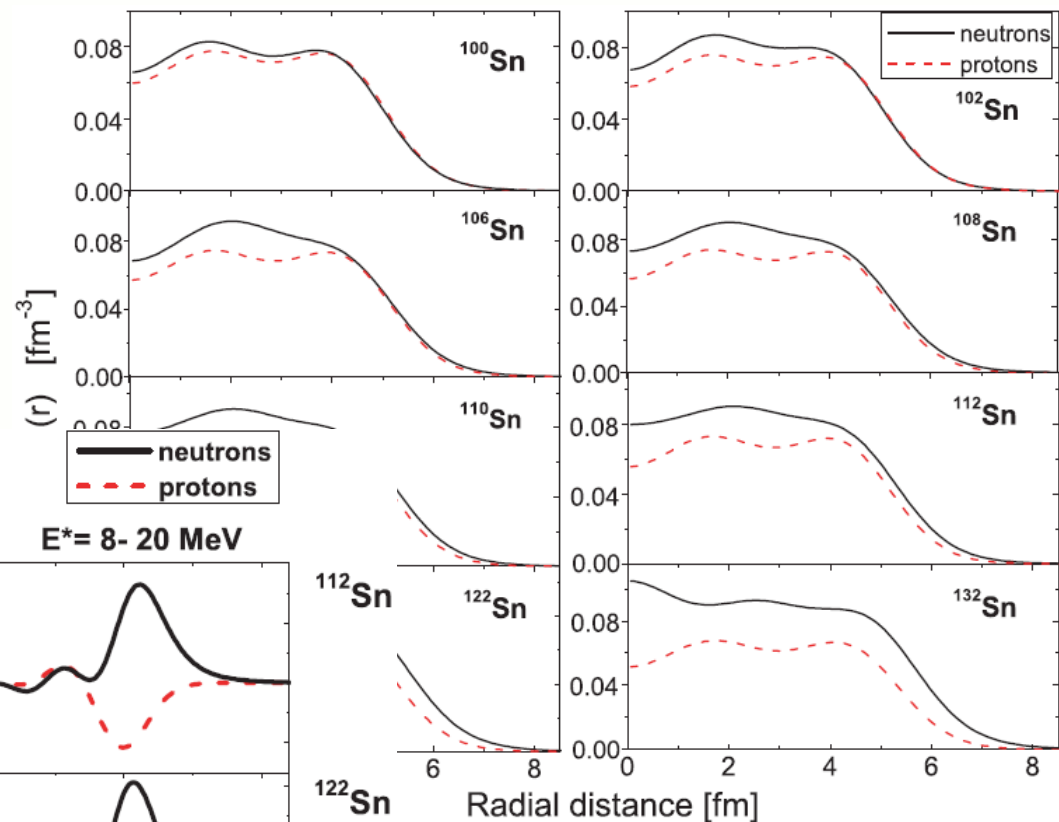
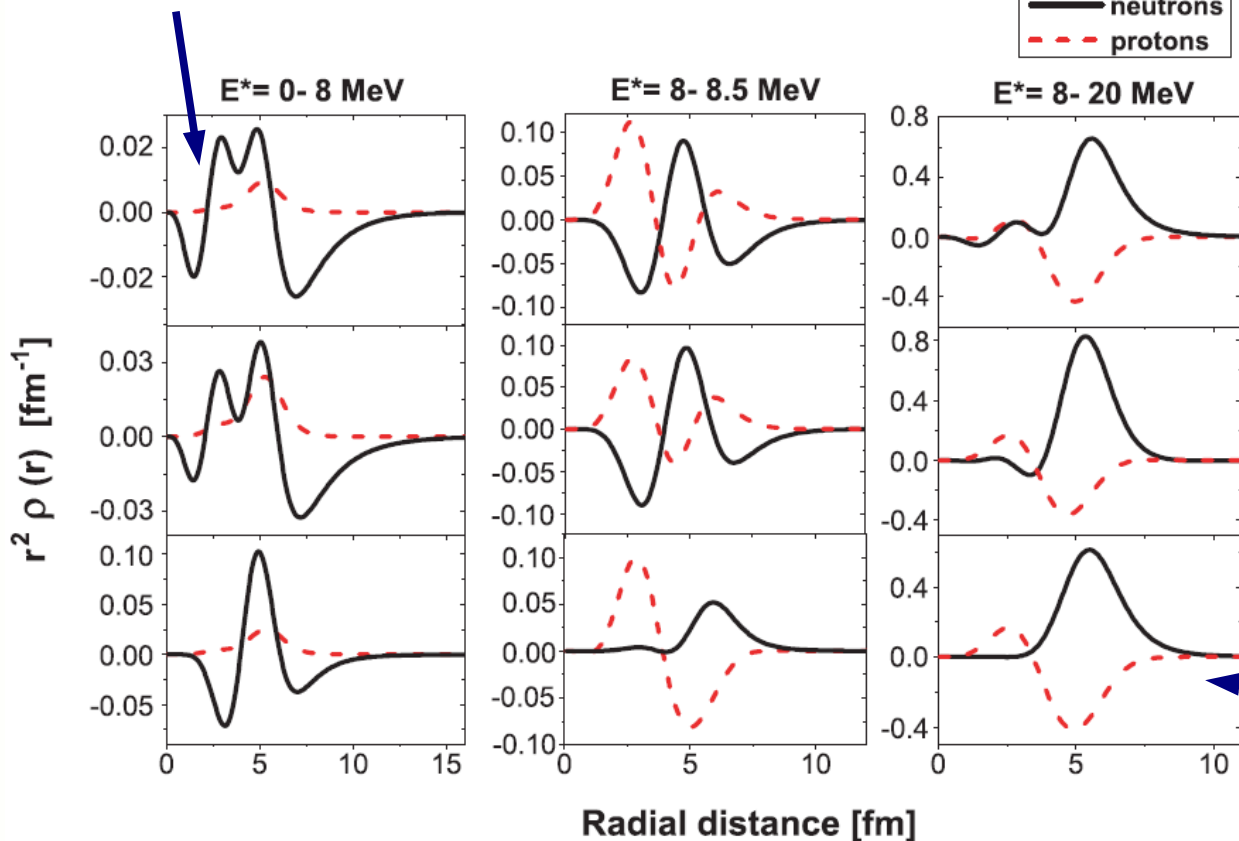
We reshuffle spins in ^{76}As

Can soon be compared to new calculations by Yoshida/Iachello



Sn isotopes:
 Calculated proton / neutron densities
 -> neutron skin

Transition densities:
 Isoscalar, n-oscillation on surface



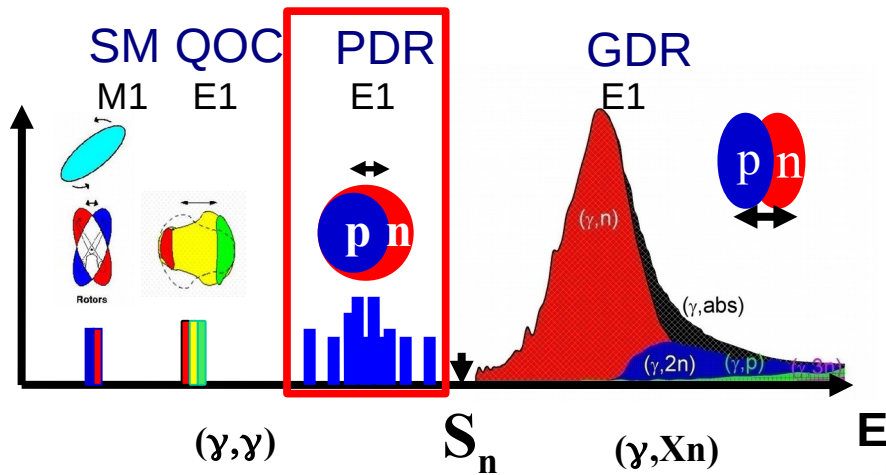
Tsoneva / Lenske, PRC 77, 024321 ('08)
 HFB + QPM

¹³²Sn
 isovector -> GDR

New Advances: Coincidence Spectroscopy

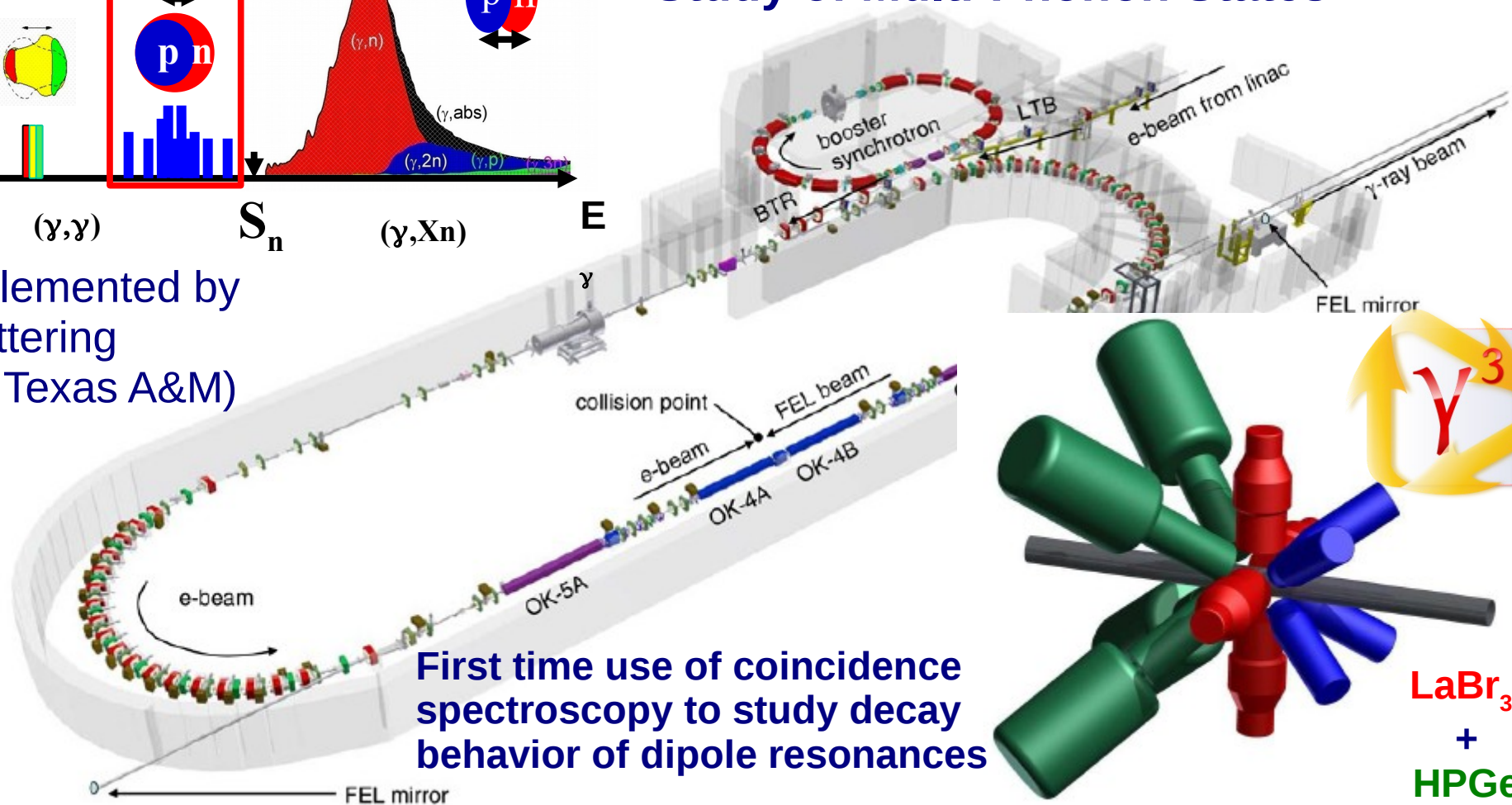


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Study of the Pygmy Dipole Resonance
-> Neutron Skins
Study of Multi-Phonon States

Complemented by
 α -scattering
(KVI / Texas A&M)



First time use of coincidence spectroscopy to study decay behavior of dipole resonances

“Application”: Dipole strength and $0\nu\beta\beta$ -decays



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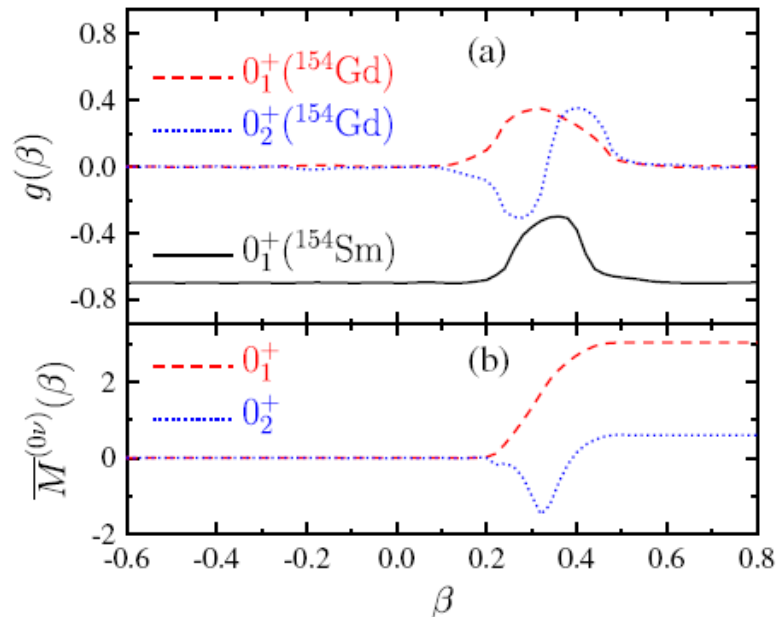
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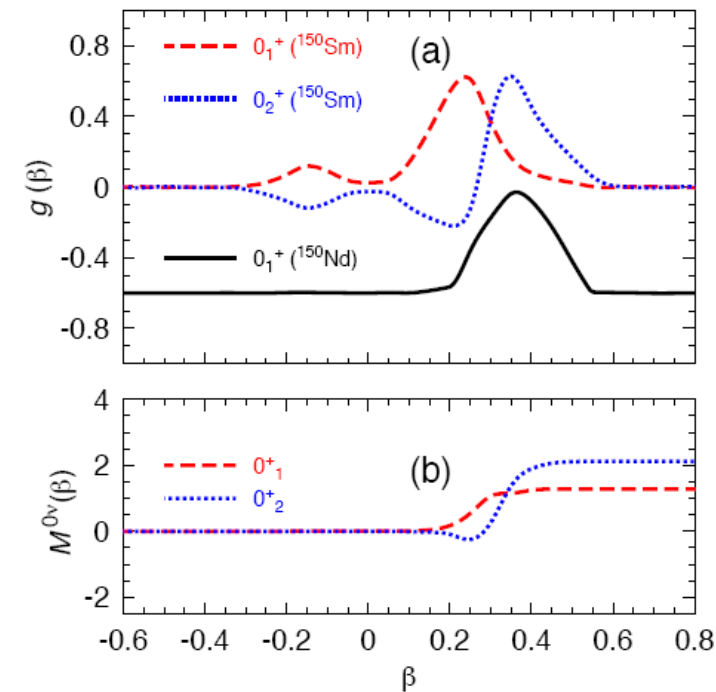
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Constraint on $0\nu\beta\beta$ Matrix Elements from a Novel Decay Channel of the Scissors Mode: The Case of ^{154}Gd

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^{150}Nd :
larger $0\nu\beta\beta$ -
decay branch to
 0^+_2 state than to
gs due to QSPT
at $N=90$.

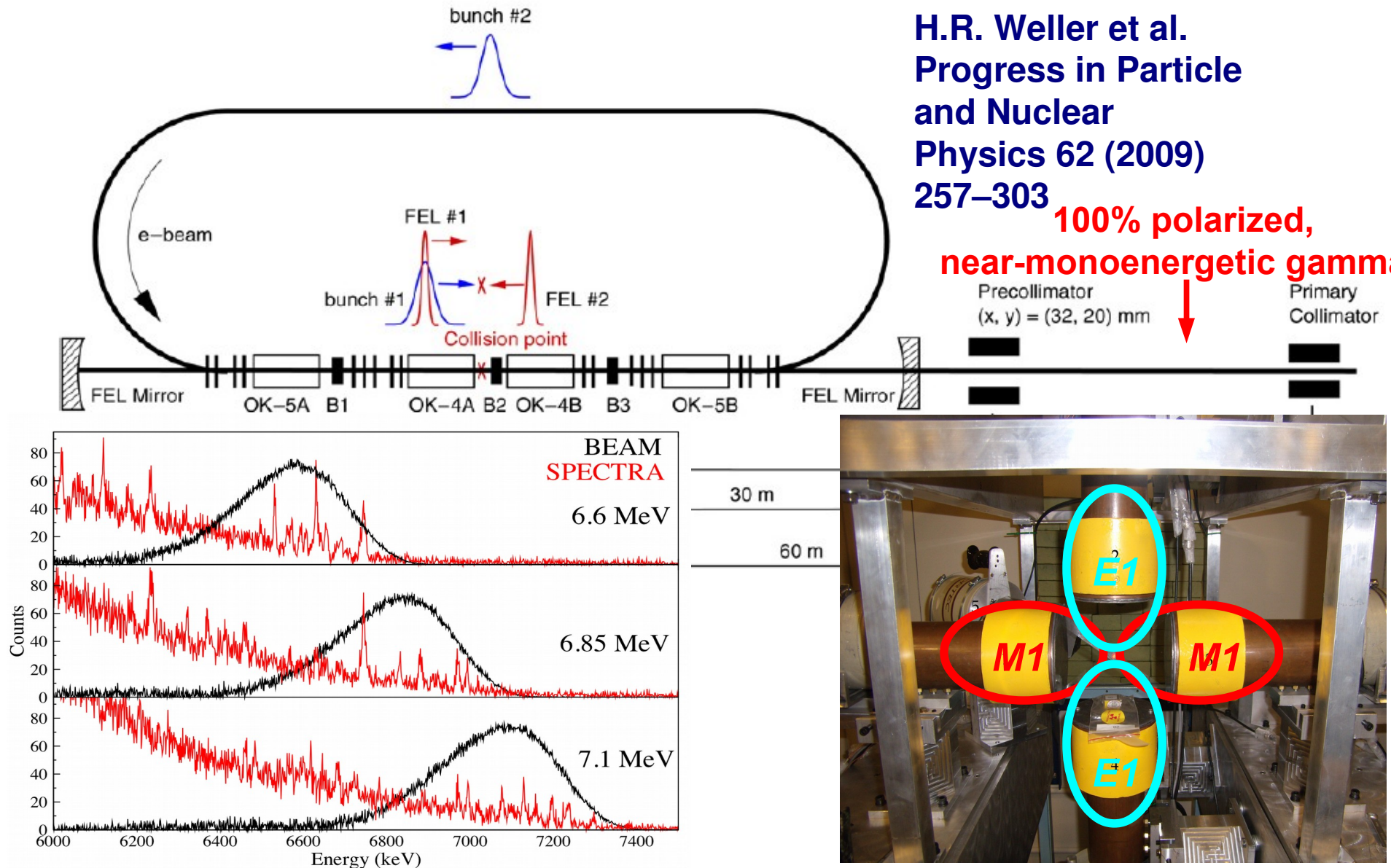


Part of new CRC 1245 “From Fundamental Interactions to Structure and Stars”

HIGS (Free Electron Laser)

H.R. Weller et al.
Progress in Particle
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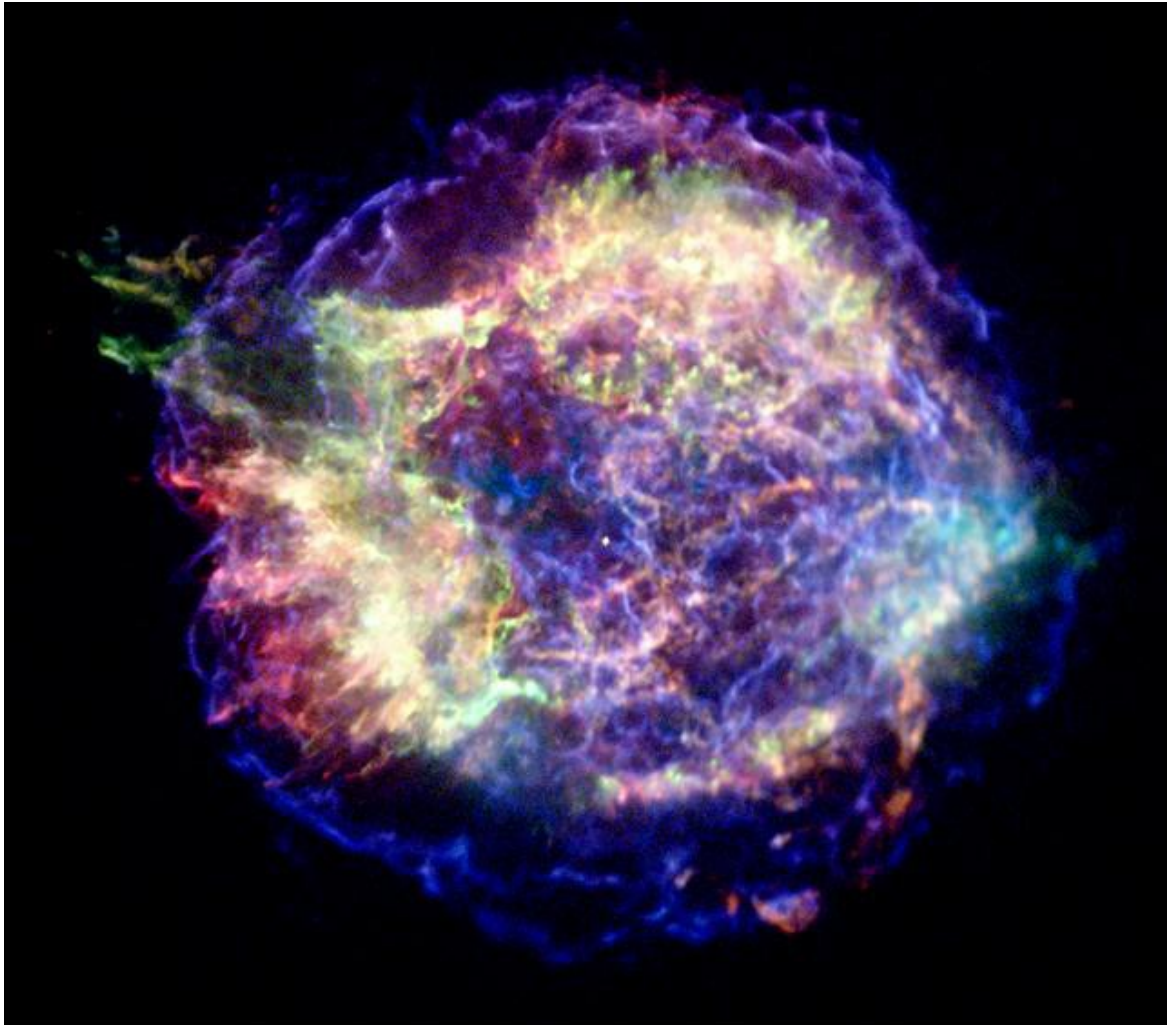
**100% polarized,
near-monoenergetic gammas**



Precollimator
(x, y) = (32, 20) mm

Primary
Collimator

Nucleosynthesis



*Nuclear Reactions
power the sun*

*... and it takes the death
of stars to actually make
us!*

*This death involves lots
of photons.*

Nucleosynthesis Paths



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