



Workshop on Active Targets and Time Projection Chambers for High-intensity and Heavy-ion beams in Nuclear Physics

Second GDS Topical Meeting



A personal overview

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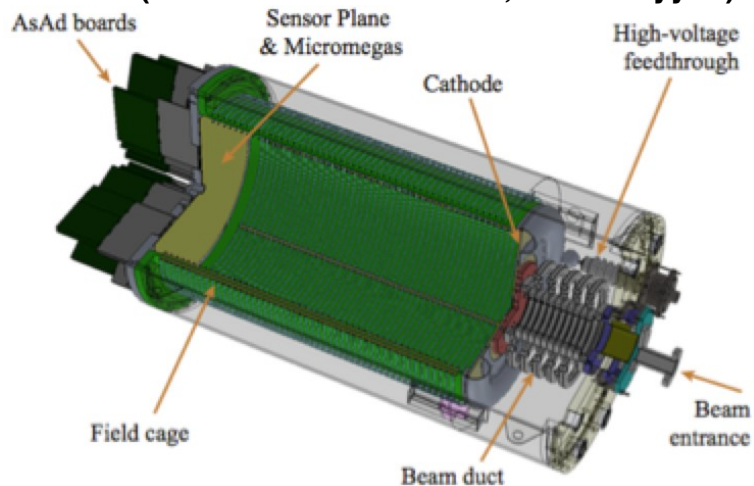
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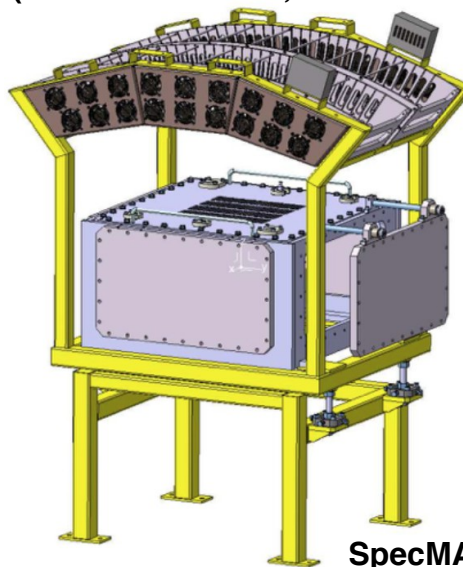
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- Review of Active Targets and TPC's in nuclear physics:
 - Design diversity, specific solutions.
 - Reconstruction, analysis and simulation.
 - Wide physics program.
- High intensity, heavy ion beam effects:
 - Effects observed
 - Solutions?
- End of meeting, back to work...

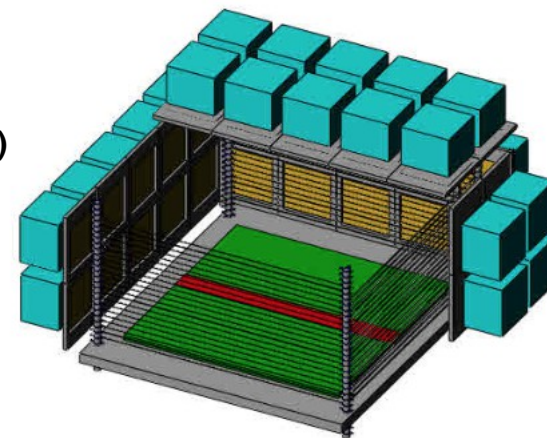
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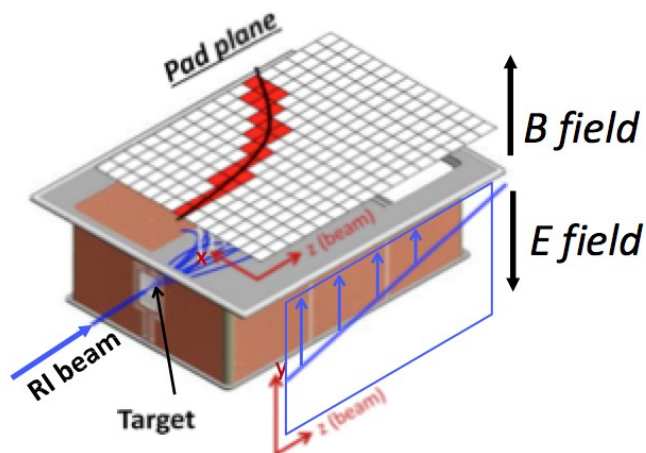
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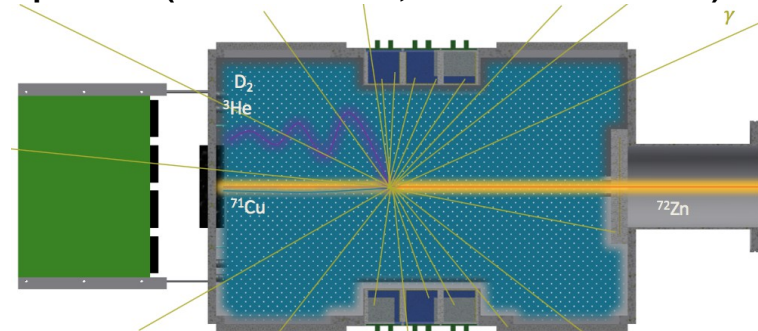
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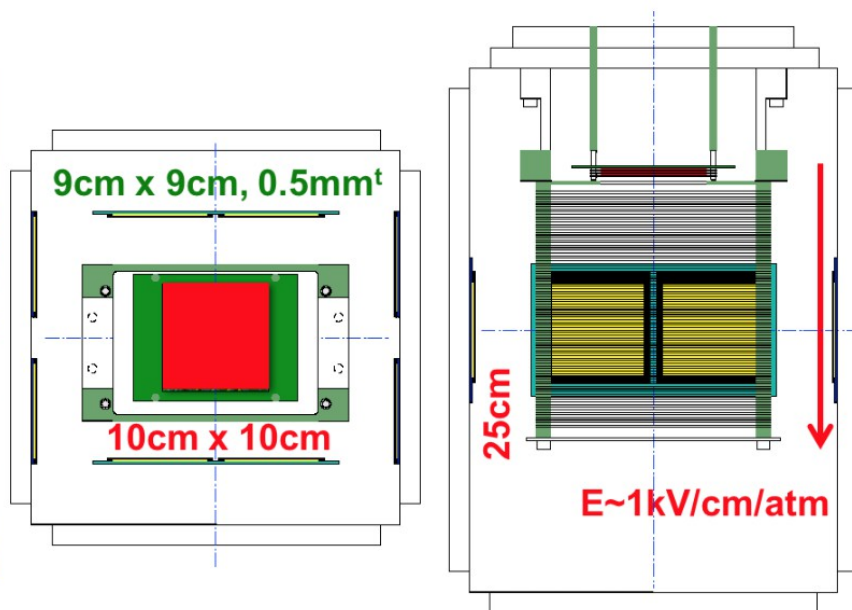
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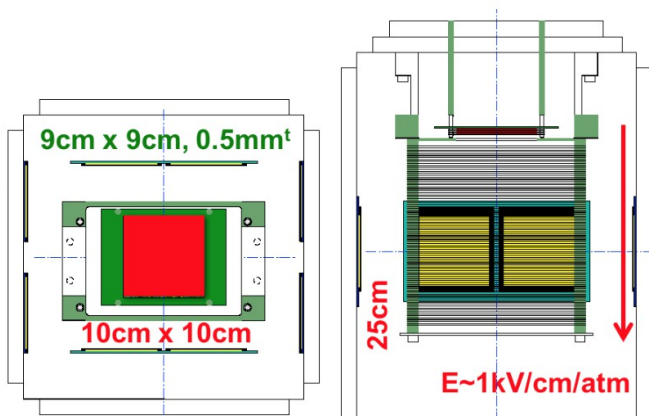
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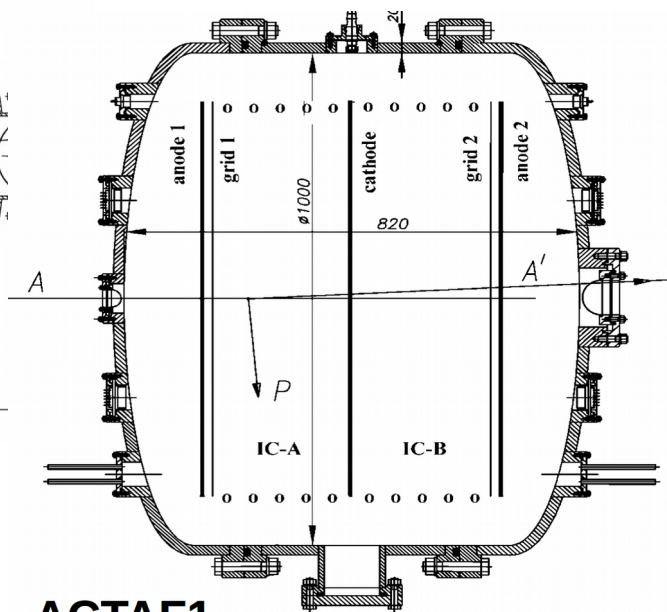
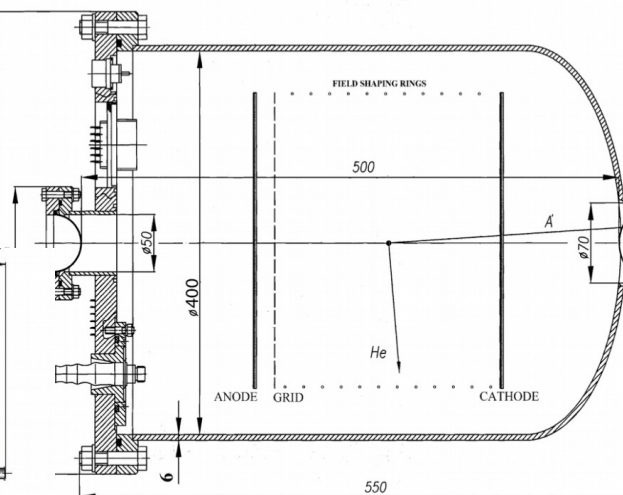
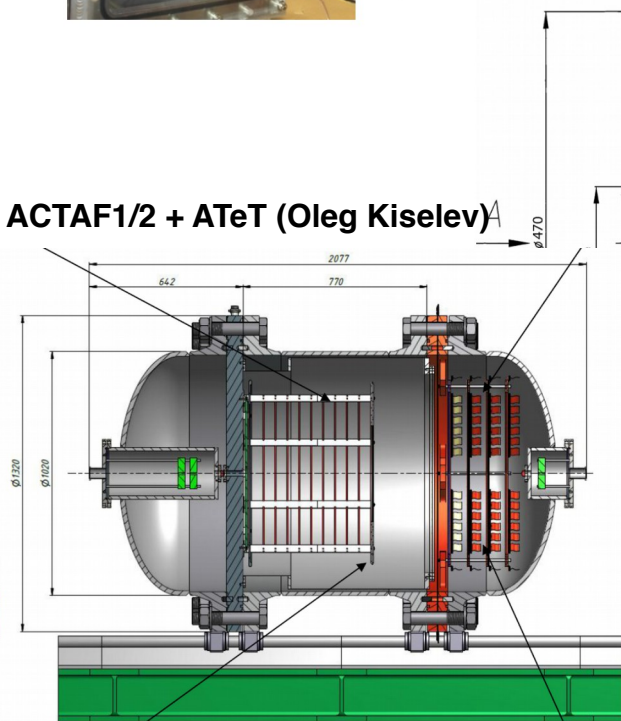
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ACTAF1/2 + ATeT (Oleg Kiselev)^A



ACTAF1

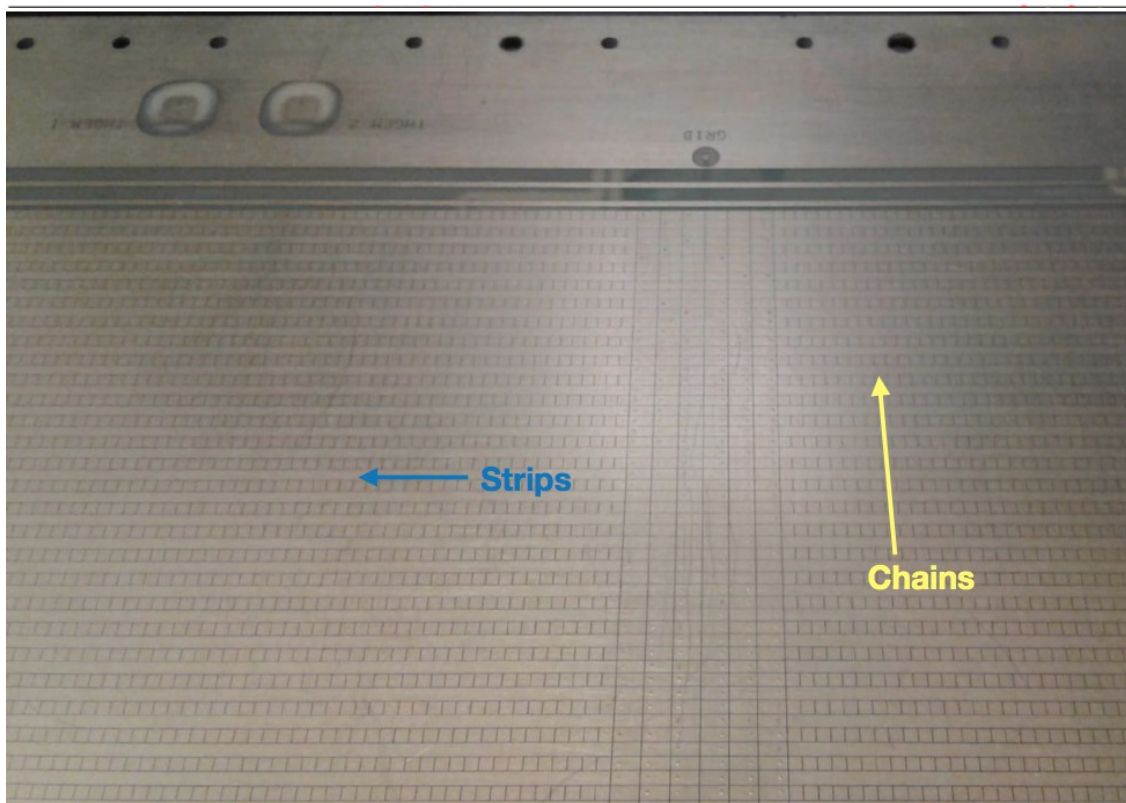
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64 y-chains
64 $1.75 \times 1.75 \text{ mm}^2$ pads are connected
the pads are between the strips

$128 \times 6 = 768$ pads
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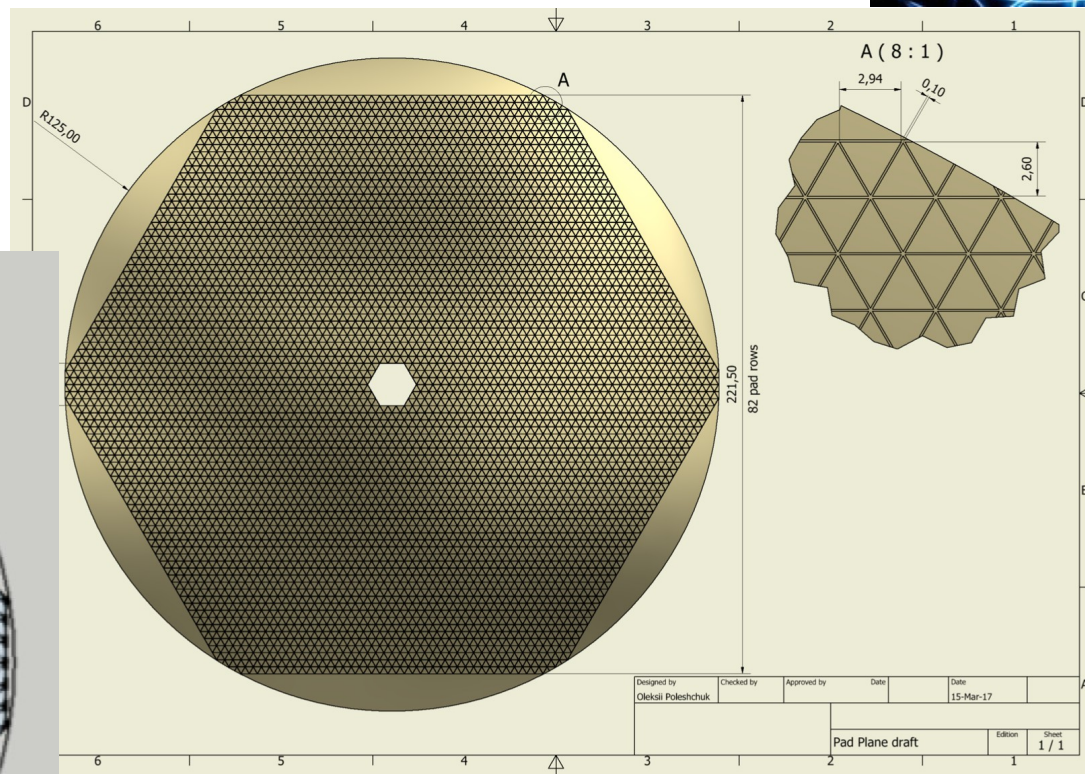
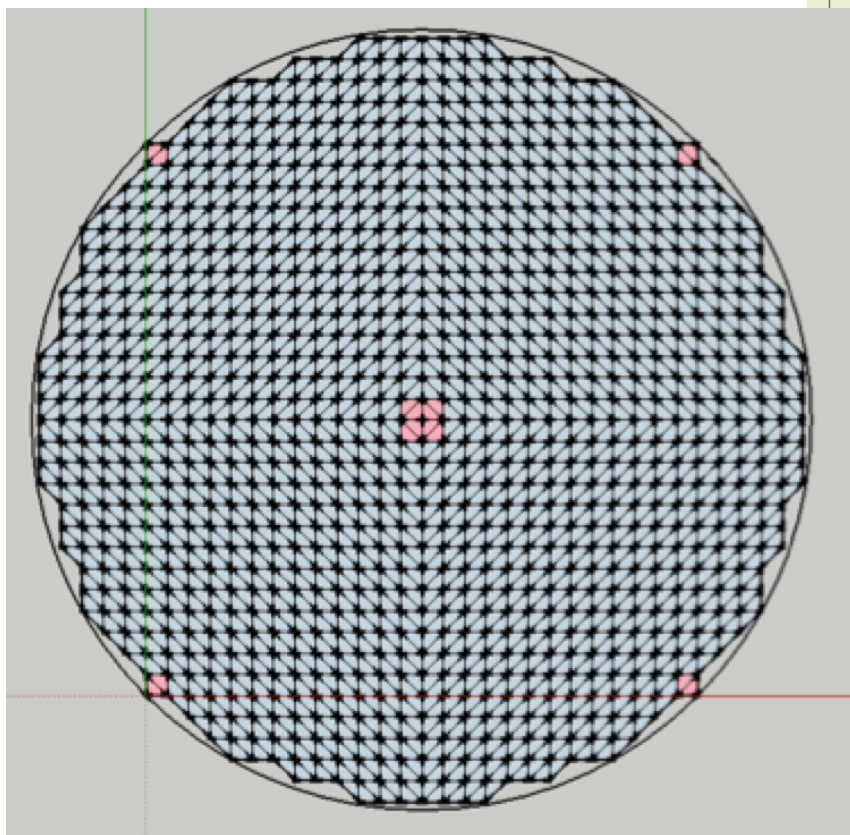


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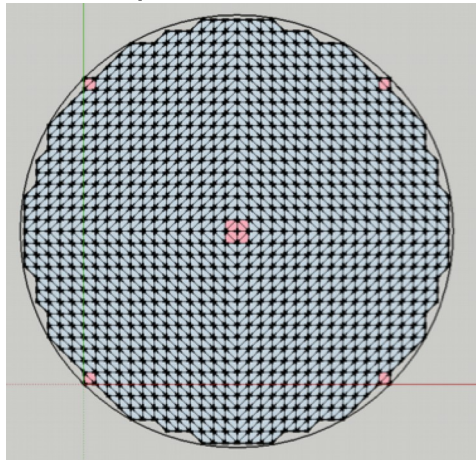
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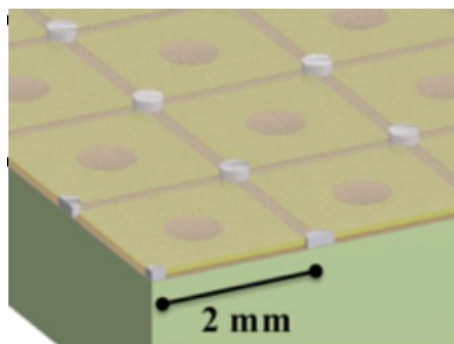


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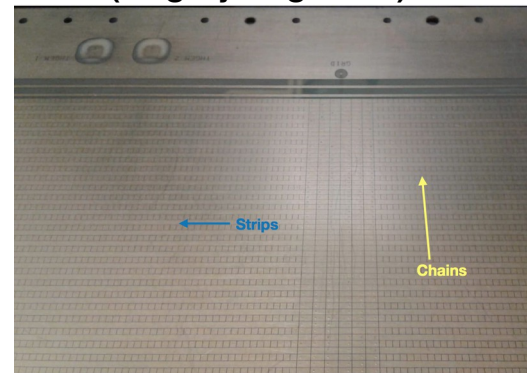
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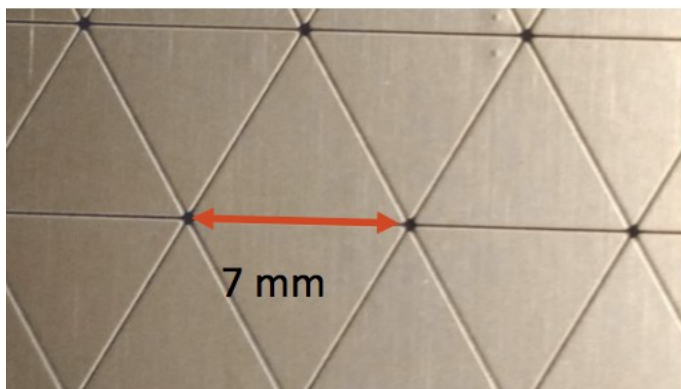
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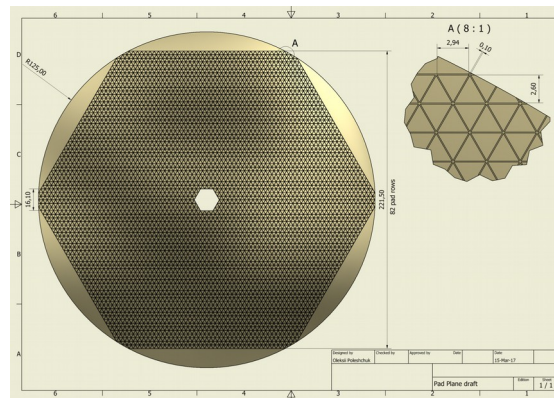
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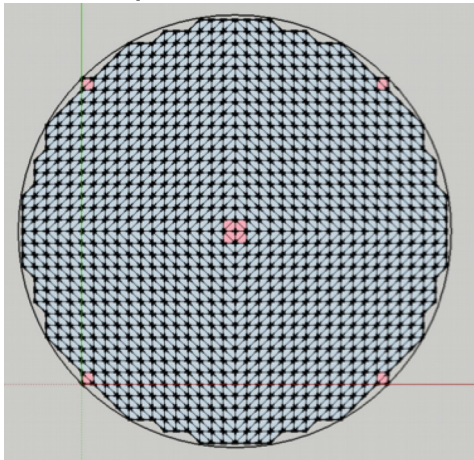
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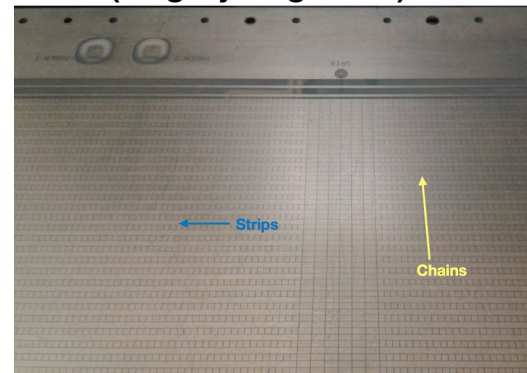
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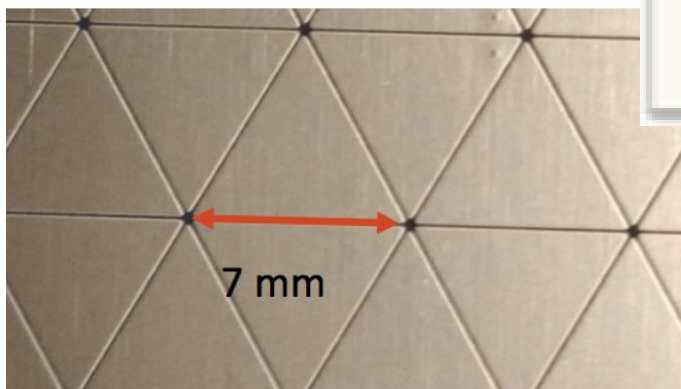
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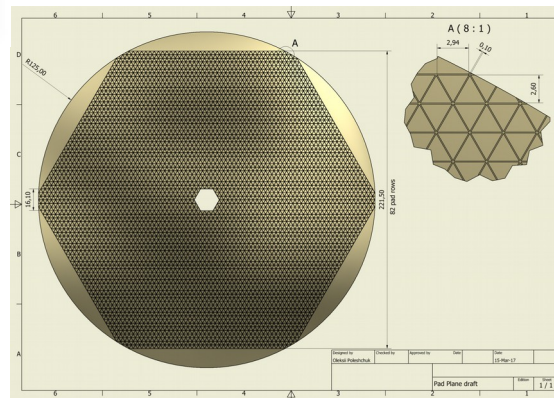
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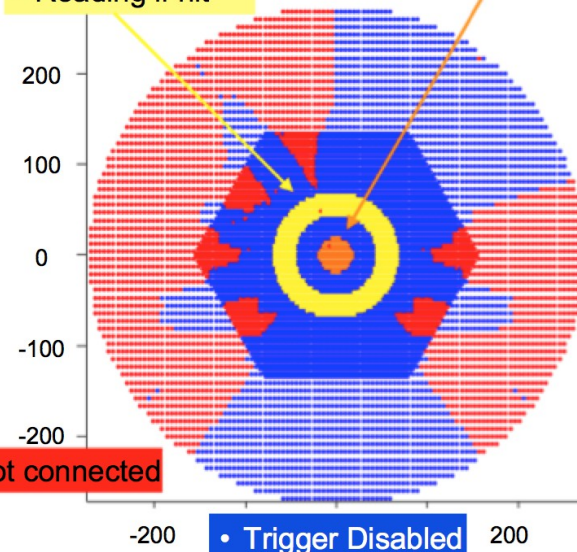
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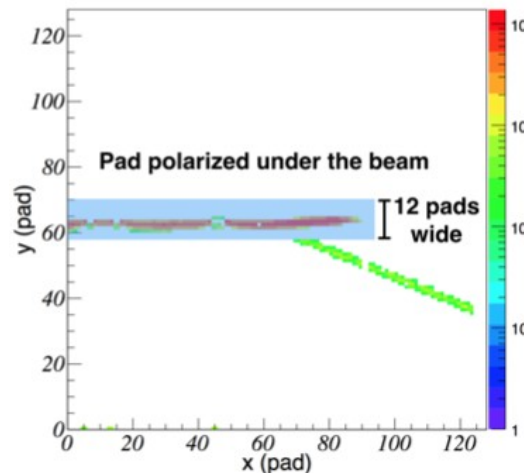
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- Trigger Enabled
- Reading if hit

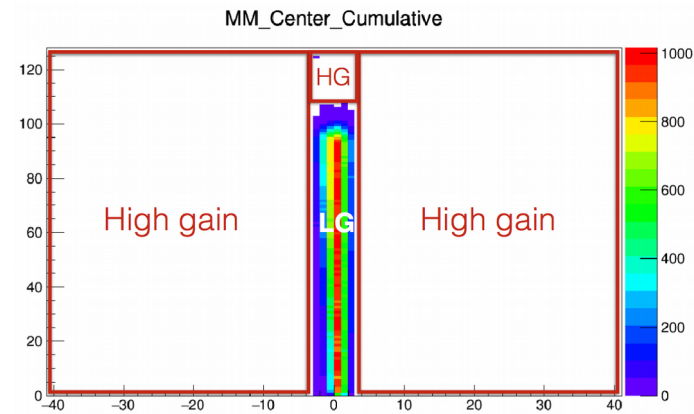
- Reading always



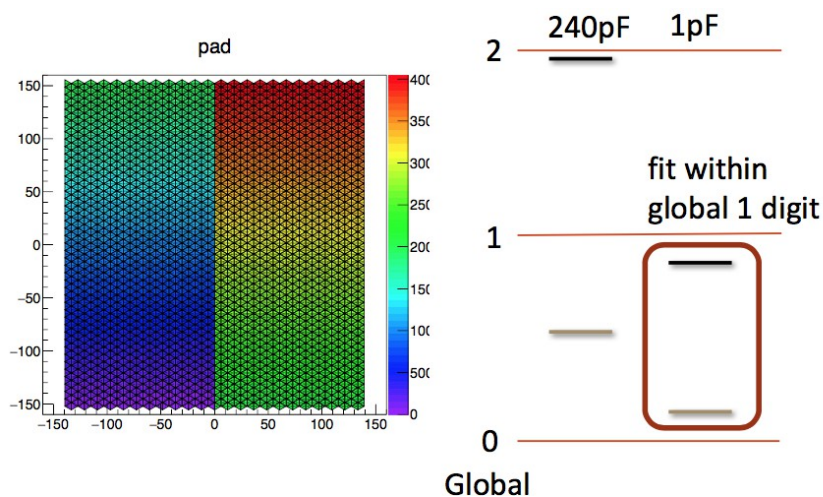
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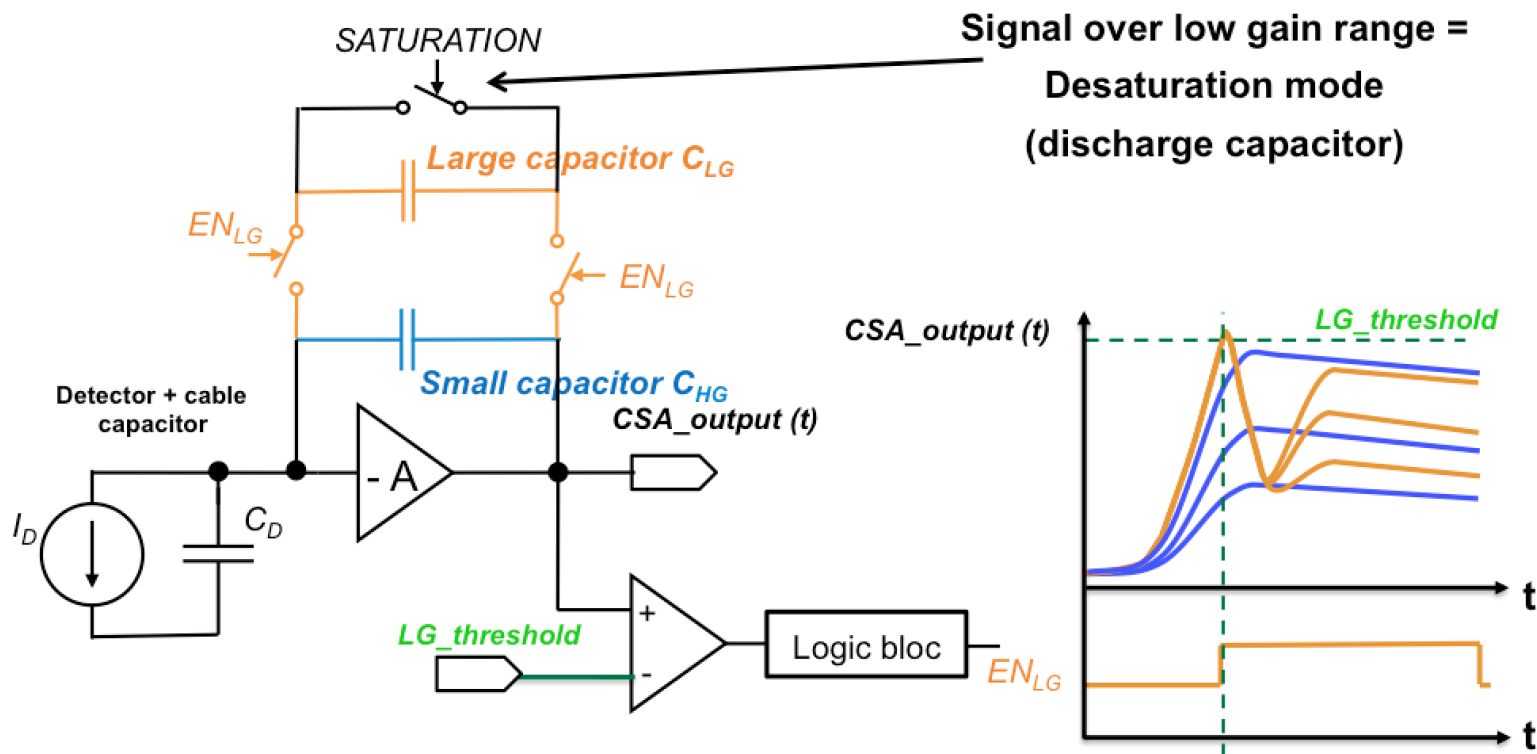
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Self trigger for TPC and Silicon

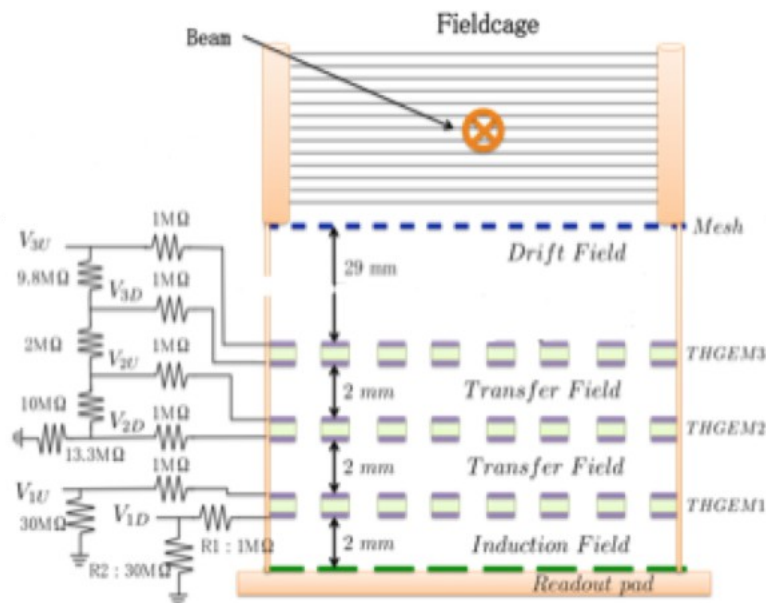
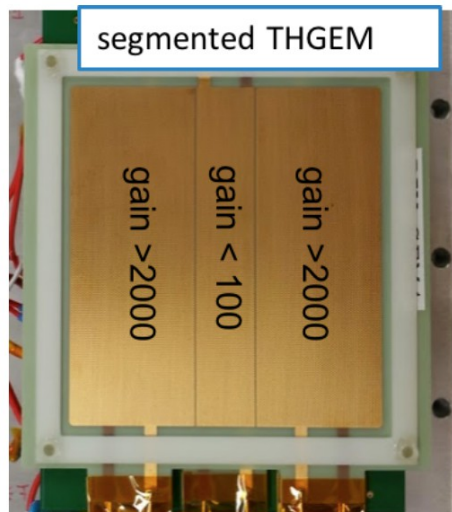
- Energy deposition of recoil particle stopping in TPC active area is larger than delta ray
- Energy deposition of recoil particle reaching at Silicon detector is smaller than delta ray
- Each AGET includes beam and recoil region
- Global threshold is common for AGET
- => Threshold is tunable within 4 bits (Global threshold should be 1)

FEANICS (Florent Bouyjou)



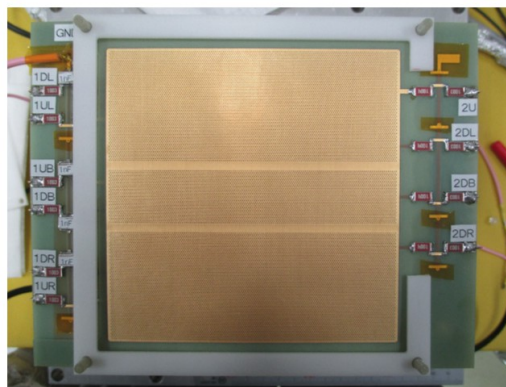
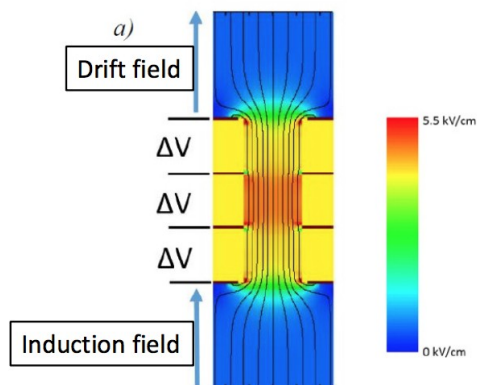
With this method we can get a very large dynamic

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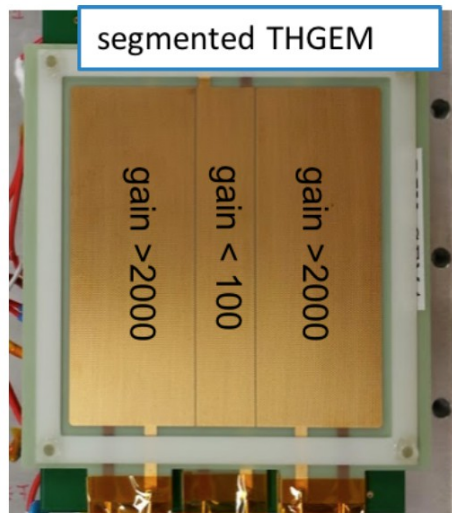


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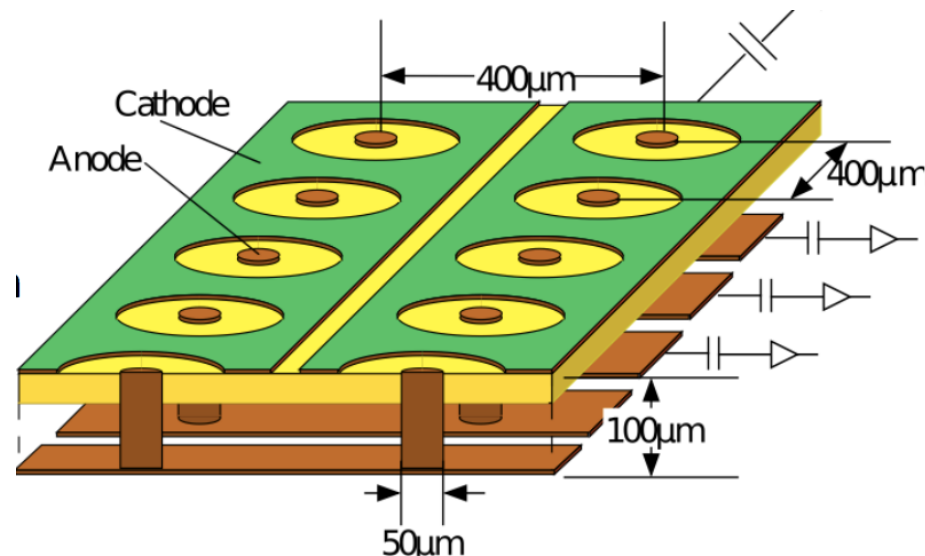
Dual gain multi-layer THGEM



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MAIKo (Tatsuya Furuno)

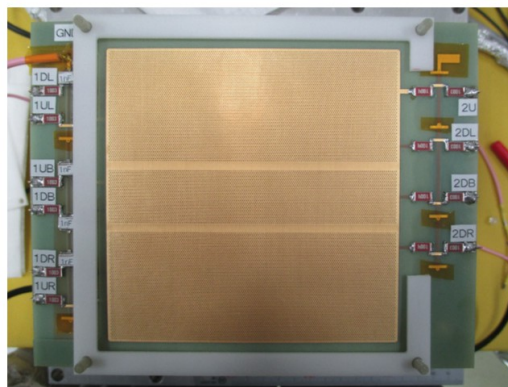
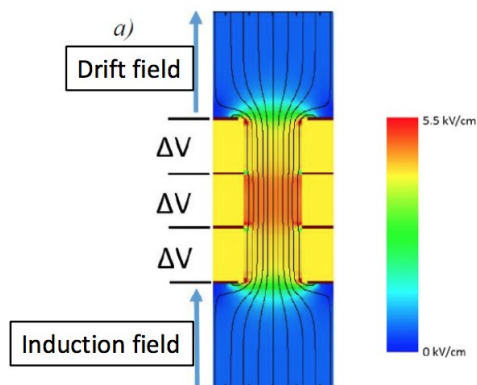


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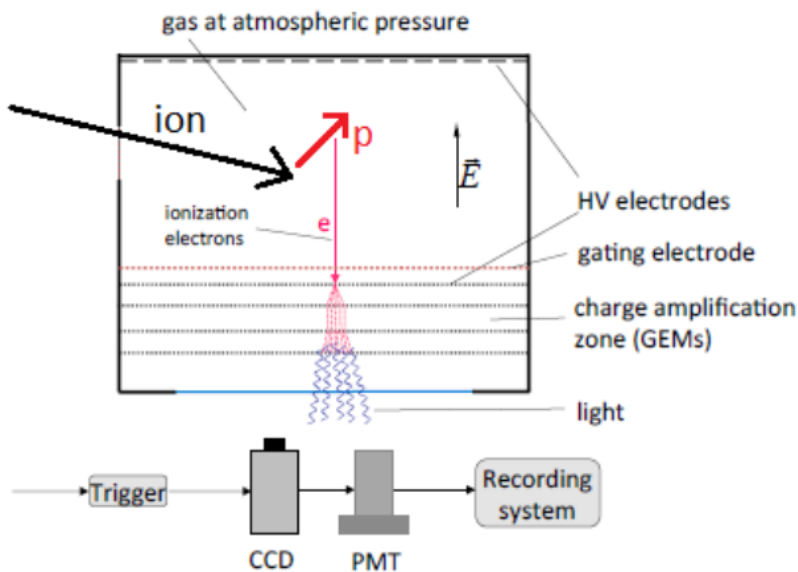
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Micro-Pixel Chamber (μ -PIC)

A. Ochi, *et. al.* NIM A **478**, 196 (2002).



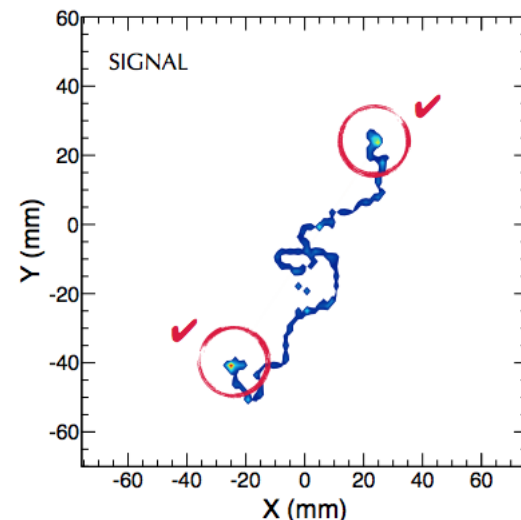
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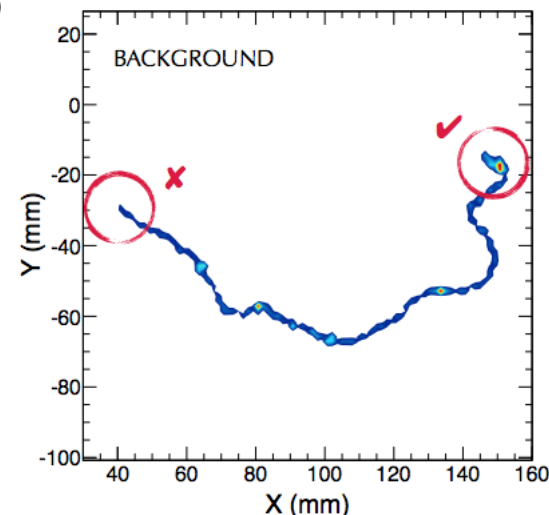
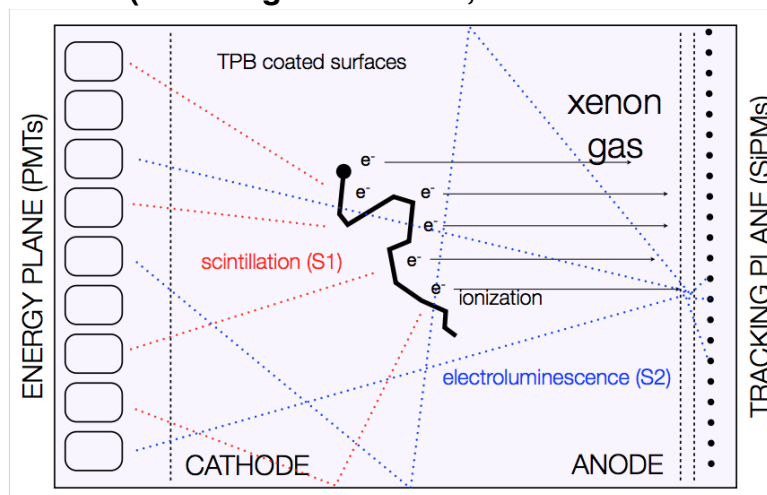
► atmospheric pressure

► different gas mixtures

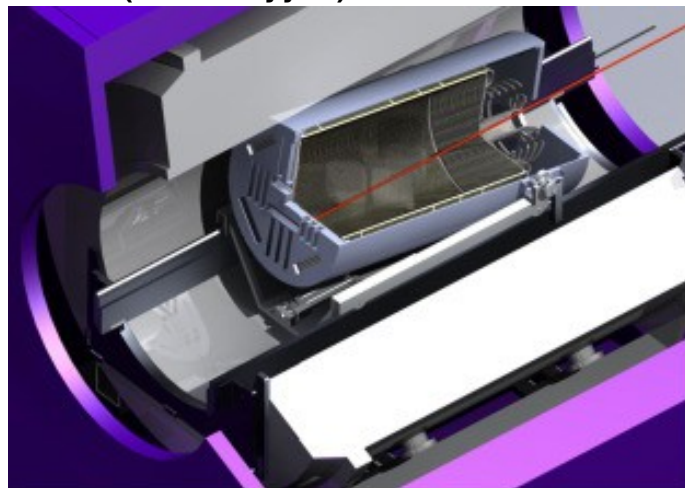
► GEM foils provide charge amplification



NEXT (Jose Angel Hernando, Francesc Monrabal)



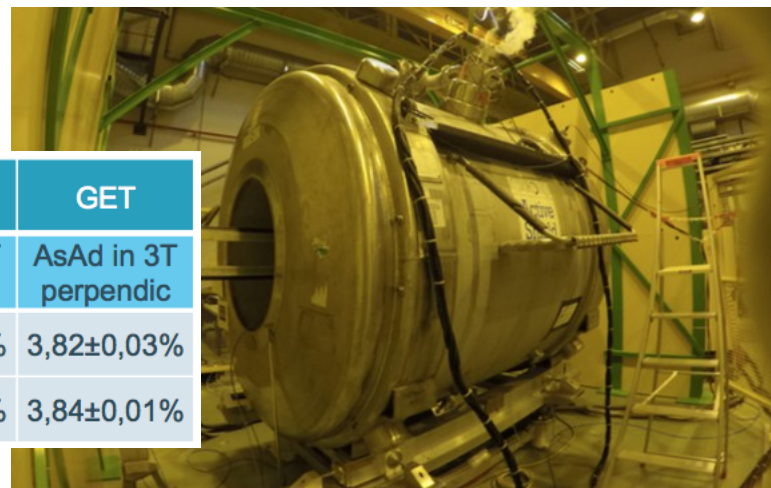
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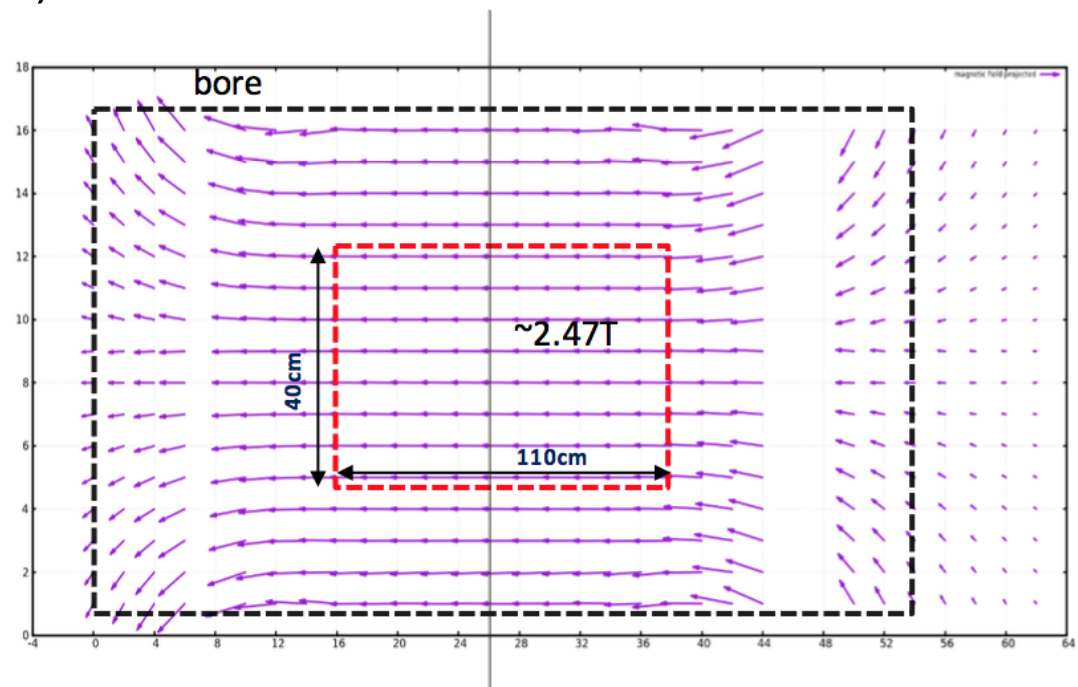
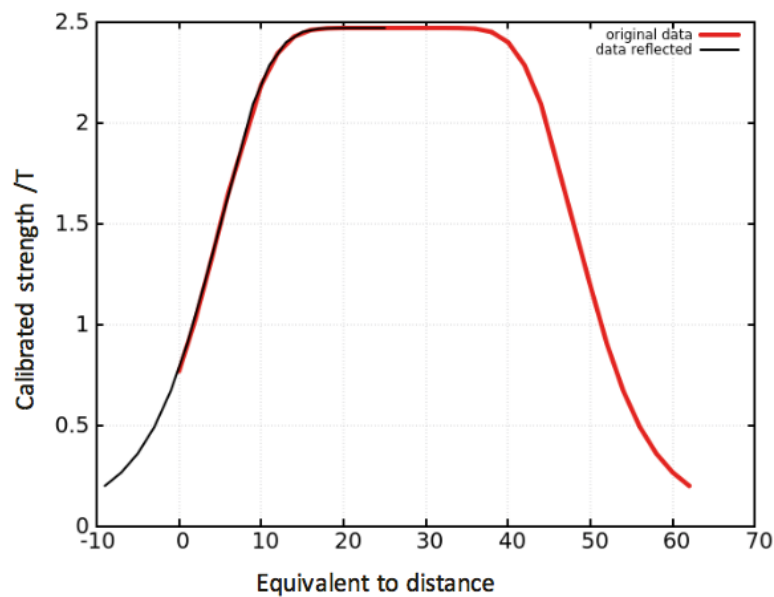
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	DAQ	Analogue	CAEN	GET	GET	GET
Detector	B-field	No field	No field	No field	AsAd in 3T parallel	AsAd in 3T perpendic
LaBr ₃ +SiPM	No field	2,94±0,01%	3,22±0,01%	3,85±0,03%	3,85±0,03%	3,82±0,03%
LaBr ₃ +SiPM	3T	2,97±0,01%	3,24±0,01%	3,88±0,01%	3,85±0,01%	3,84±0,01%

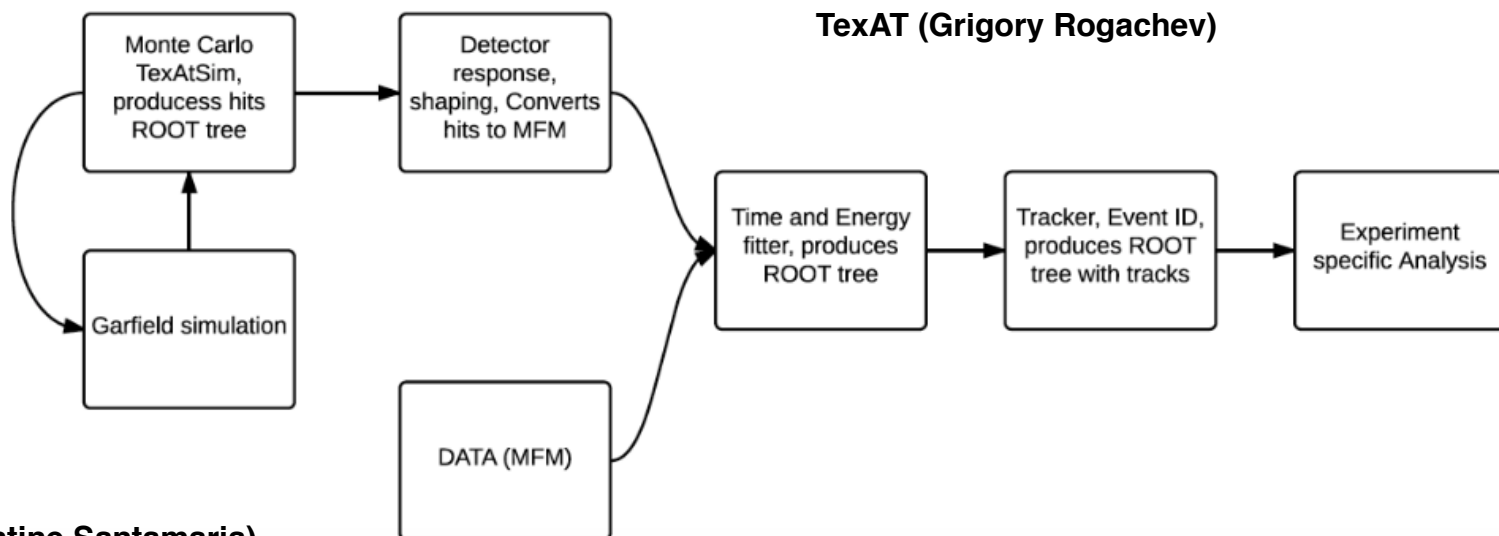
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Magnetic field strength
at 0 degree (horizontal)

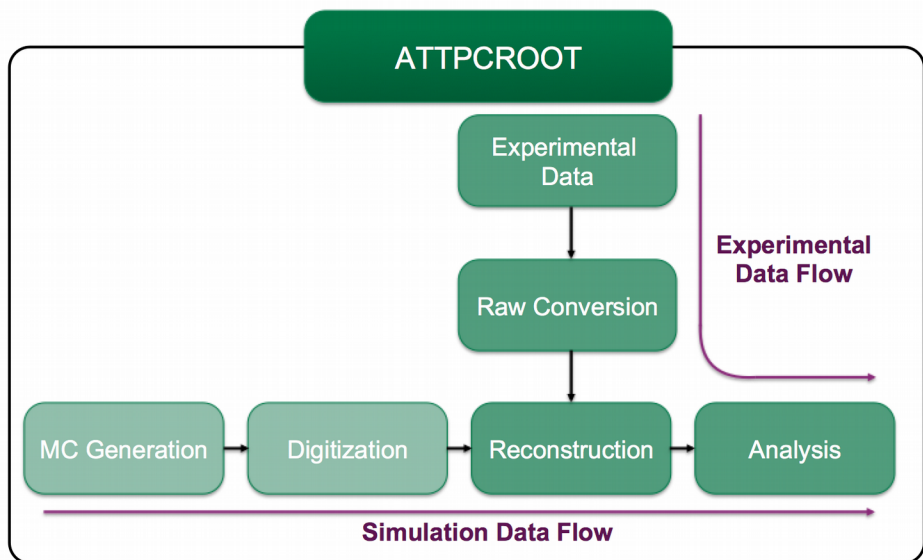


Magnetic field vector projection on x-y plane

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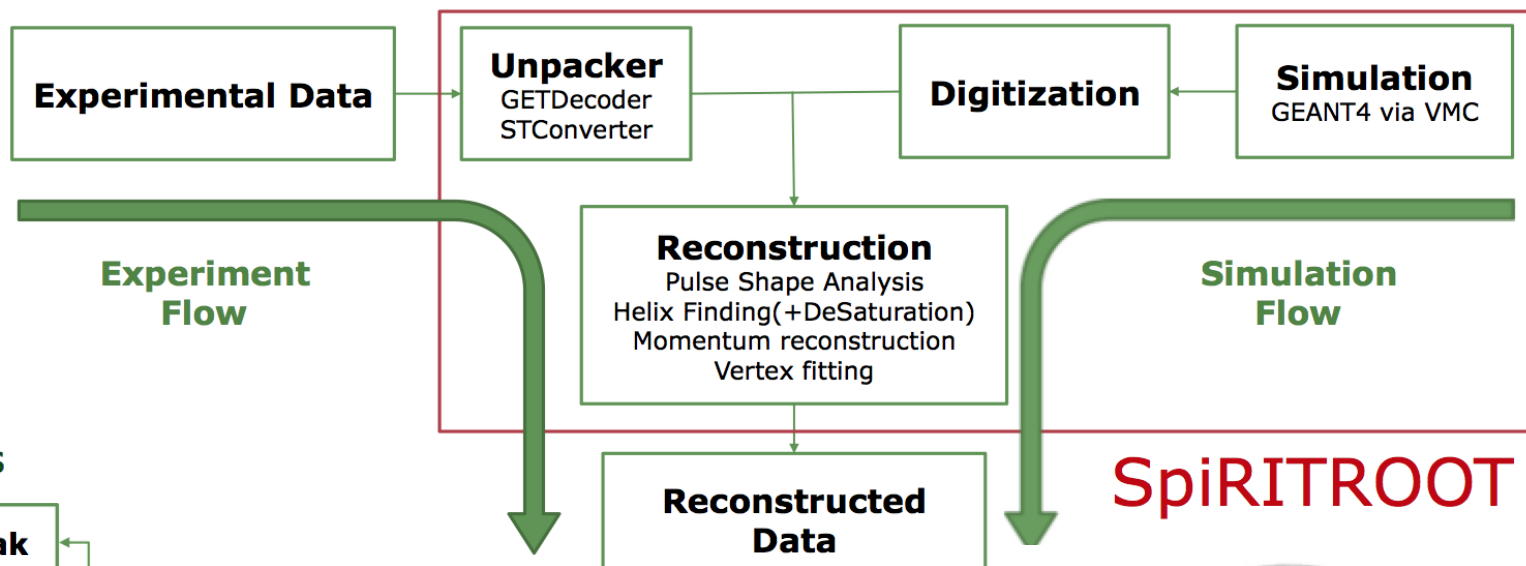


ATTPCROOT, pyTPC
(Yassid Ayyad, Clementine Santamaria)

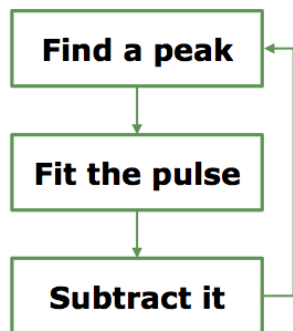


SPIRIT (Genie Jhang)

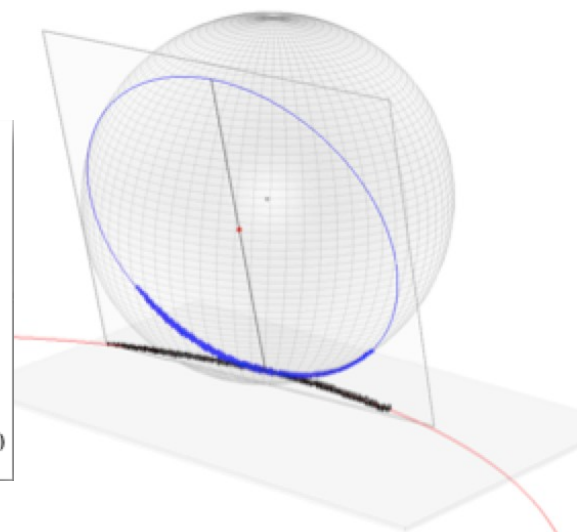
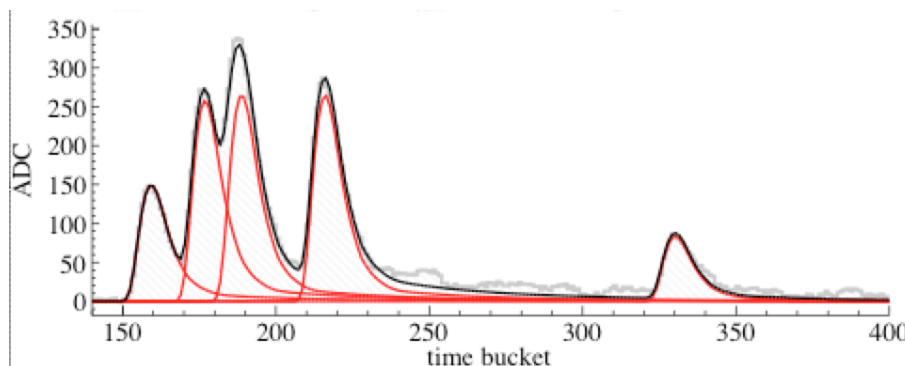
- SpiRITROOT is an analysis framework package dedicated for S π RIT TPC.



- PSA process



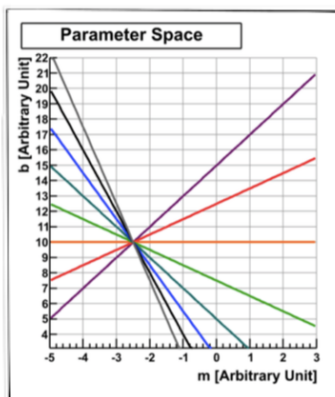
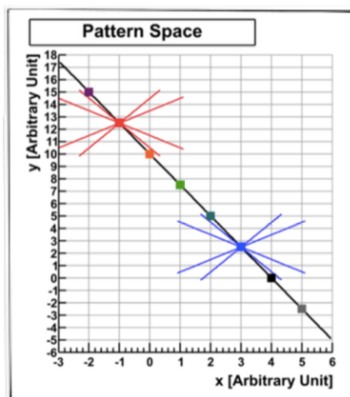
- Each fit pulse is recorded as a hit.



Lines

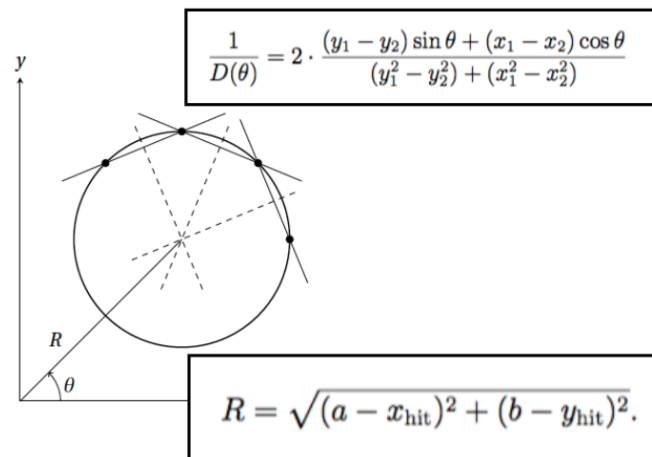
Hough transformation

Circles

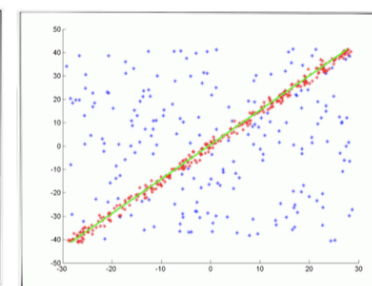
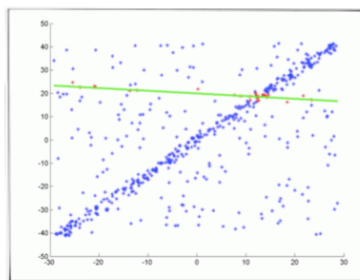
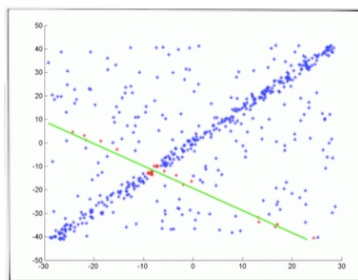
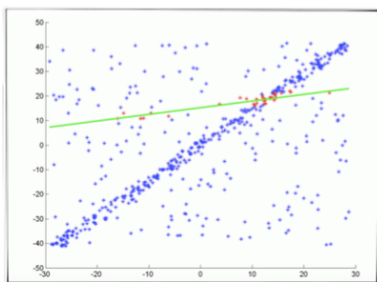


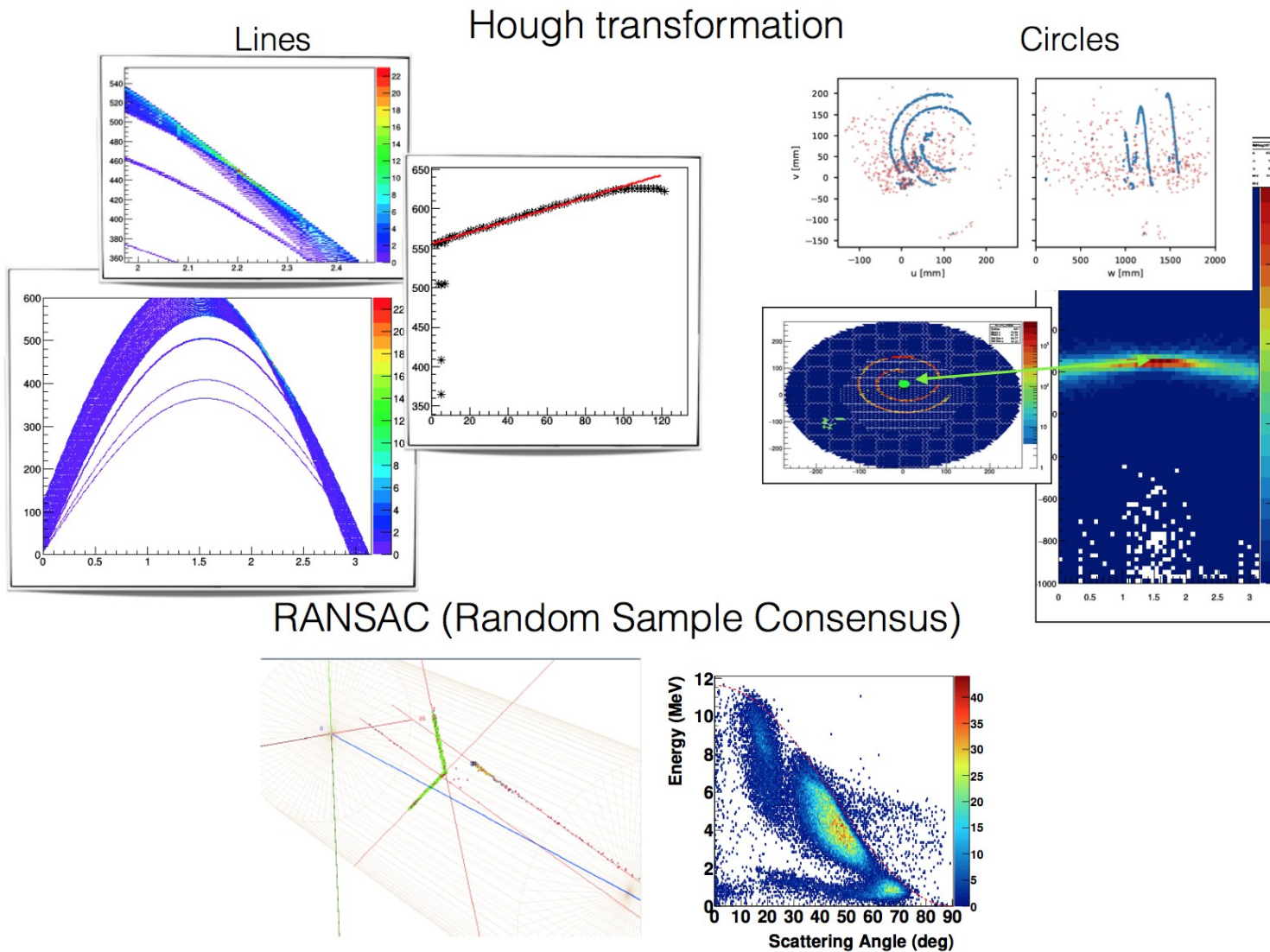
$$y(x) = mx + b$$

$$b(m) = y - mx.$$



RANSAC (Random Sample Consensus)





TexAT (Grigory Rogachev)

Structure of exotic nuclei.

Clustering phenomena.

Nuclear astrophysics.

by measuring:

Proton and α elastic and inelastic scattering excitation function direct (α, p) and (p, α)

β -delayed charged particle decays Transfer reactions: (d,p), (p,d), (p,t),

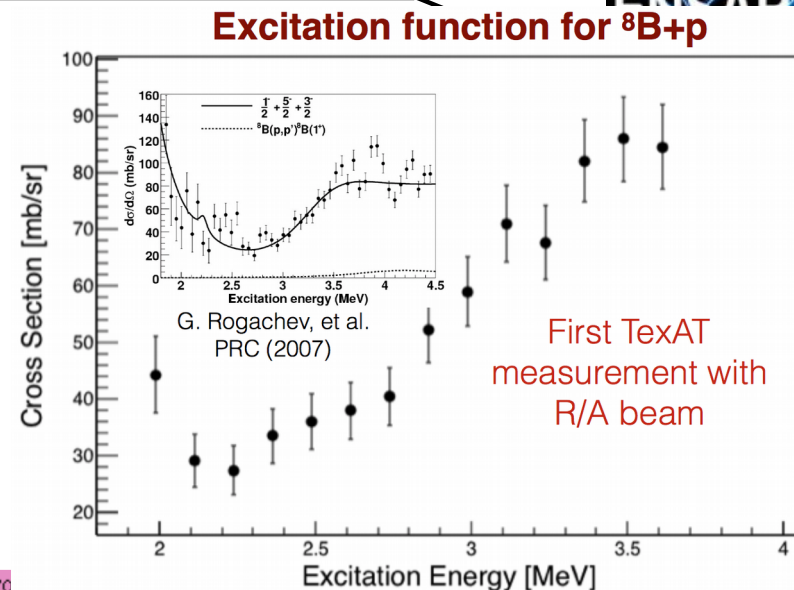
(d, ^3He), etc.

SpecMAT (Riccardo Raabe)

Migration of $\pi f_{7/2}$, $\pi f_{5/2}$

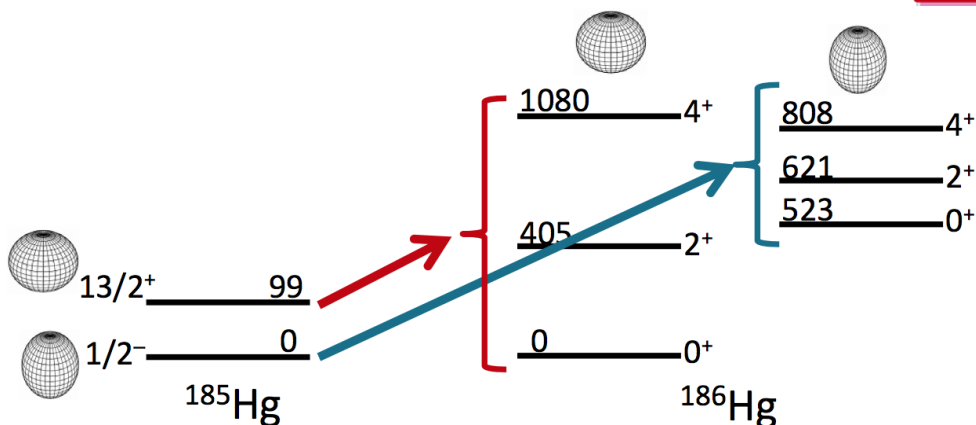
as $vg_{9/2}$ is filled

(tensor interaction)



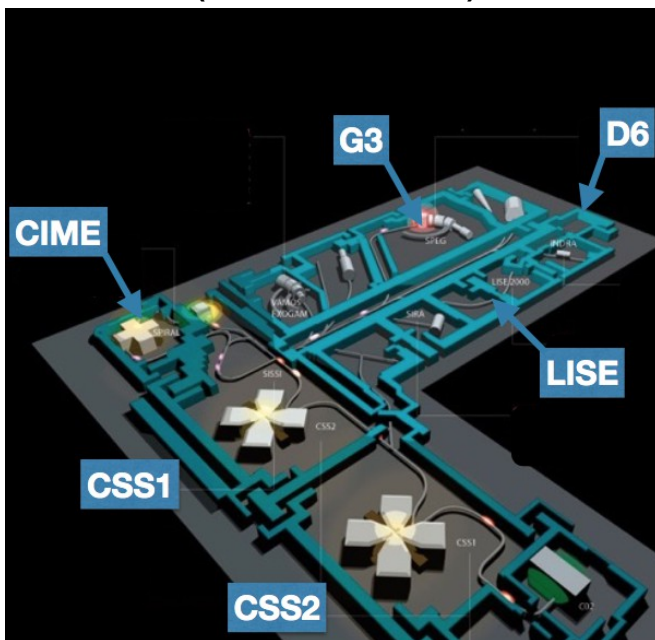
Excitation Energy [MeV]

68Zn	69Zn	70Zn													
67Cu	68Cu	69Cu	70Cu	71Cu	72Cu	73Cu	74Cu	75Cu	76Cu	77Cu	78Cu	79Cu	80Cu		
66Ni	67Ni	68Ni	69Ni	70Ni	71Ni	72Ni	73Ni	74Ni	75Ni	76Ni	77Ni	78Ni			
	66Co	67Co	68Co	69Co	70Co	71Co	72Co	73Co	74Co	75Co					



Evaluation shape coexistence using
1-n transfer on Hg in the neutron
deficient lead region.

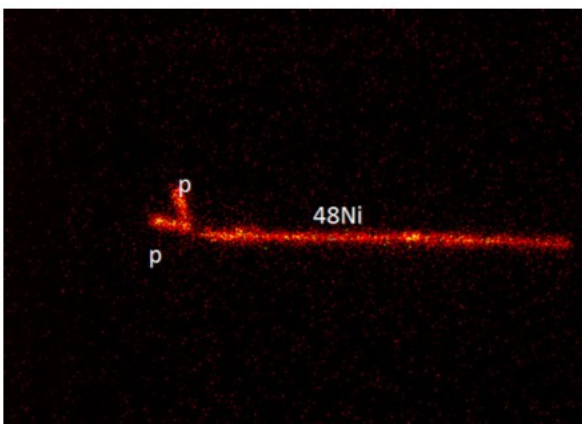
ACTAR TPC (Pierre Morfouace)



Four approved experiments at GANIL

- G.F. Grinyer **E750**: Resonant proton elastic scattering on ^{17}F and 2-proton emission from excited states in ^{18}Ne .
- B. Fernández-Domínguez **E751**: Spectroscopy of the unbound proton-rich nucleus ^{33}K .
- J. Giovinozzo **E743**: Study of proton-proton correlations in the two-proton radioactivity of ^{54}Zn or ^{48}Ni with ACTAR TPC.
- D. Rudolph **E690**: Proton-decay branches from the $10+$ isomer in ^{54}Ni .

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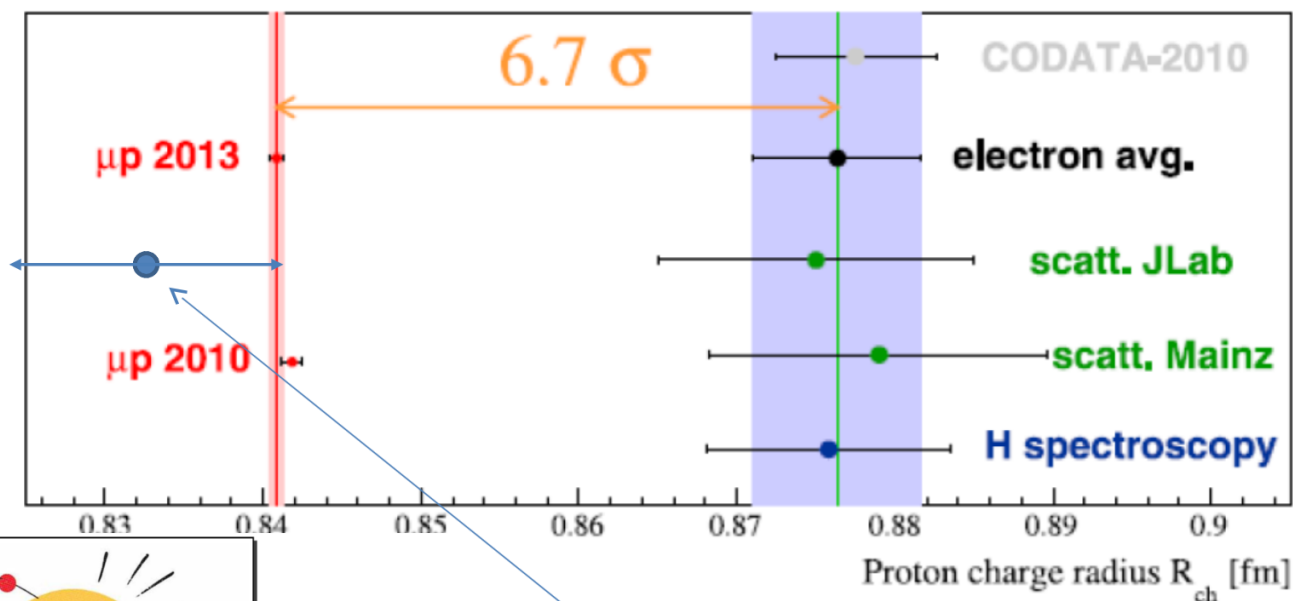


Two proton emission:

- ▶ rare events
- ▶ convincing evidence from a single event
- ▶ providing angular correlations
- ▶ providing energy distribution and decay mechanism

Proton charge radius status 2016

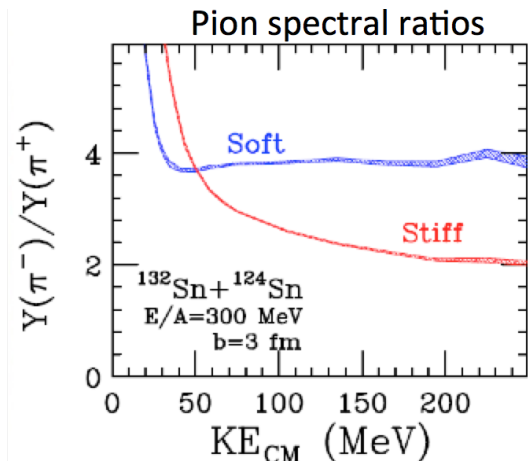
AT + electronTracker (Oleg Kiselev) @ MAMI



$R_p = 0.877$ fm
or
 $R_p = 0.841$ fm
???

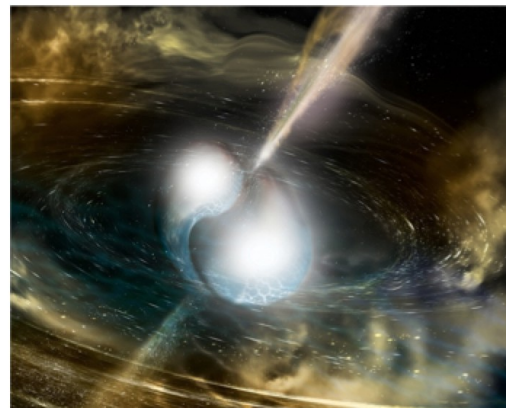
H spectroscopy (2S – 4P),
A. Beyer et al., Science 358 (2017)

SPiRiT (Betty Tsang)

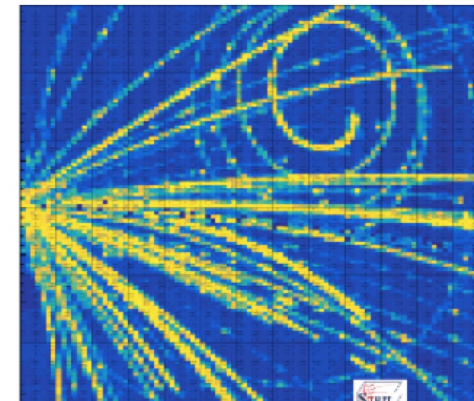


Highlights of SπRiT TPC – designed to investigate physics from neutron-star merger to nucleus-nucleus collisions

LIGO Detects a Neutron Star Merger



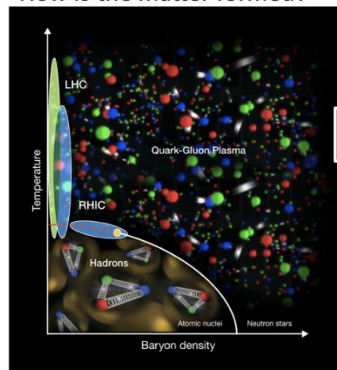
$^{132}\text{Sn} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$ @ $E/A = 270 \text{ MeV}$



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Nuclei, Neutron Stars, and Mergers

How is the matter formed?

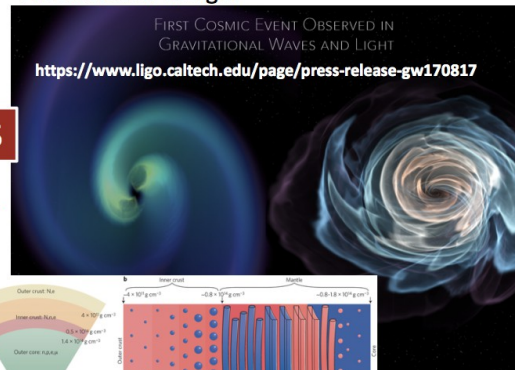


<https://phys.org/news/2013-10-supercomputing-transition-ordinary-extraordinary.html>

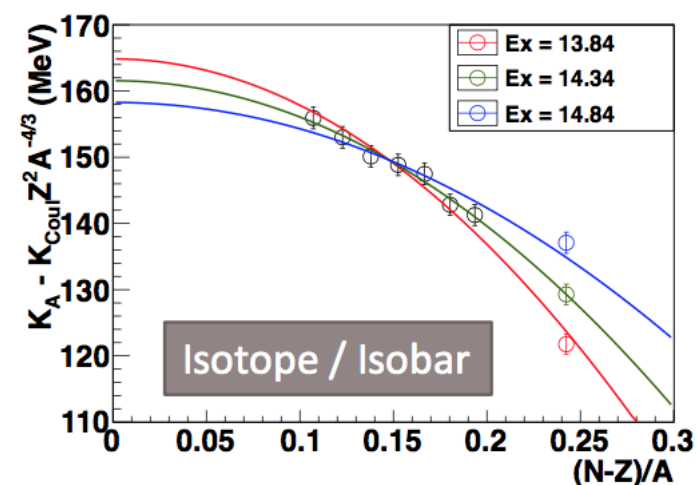
Nuclear-Matter EOS

$\longleftrightarrow E(\rho, \alpha) \longleftrightarrow$

Neutron star merger



Nature Physics 9, 396–397 (2013)



SPiRiT-TPC (Tadaake Isoke, B. Tsang)

Dayone Heavy RI Collision experiment

- Systematic measurements of multiple observables in heavy RI collisions in same Z ($Z=50$) but different N system were realized with heavy RI beam.

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Aiming at

- **Determination of isospin dependence of equation of state of nuclear matter**
- Determination of electron capture rate for supernova nucleosynthesis

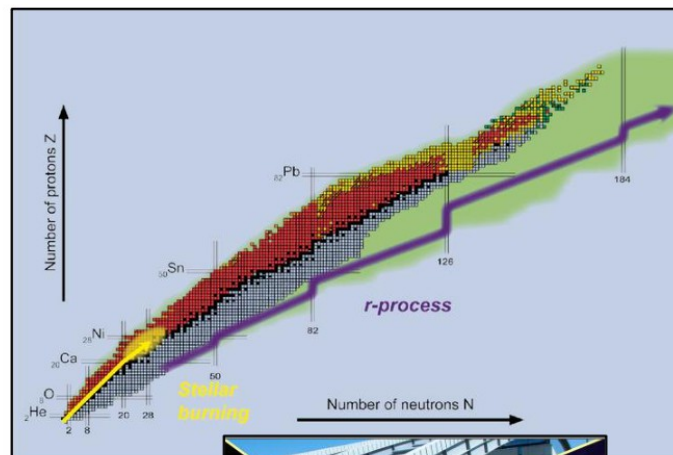
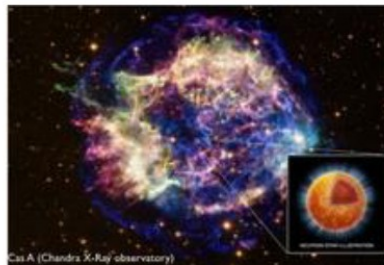
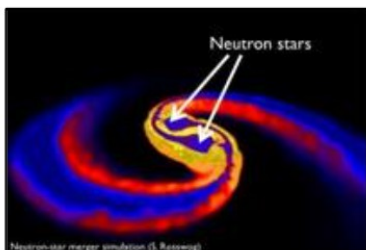
Missing mass spectroscopy in inverse kinematics via **forward angle**

- **Inelastic scattering of p, d, α**
- (n,p) type charge exchange reactions

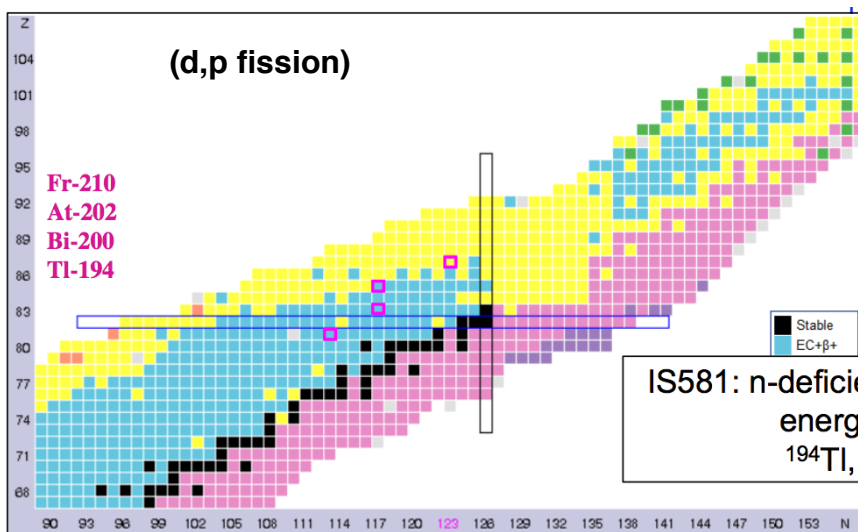
p, d, (α) scattering
(d,2p)

ACTAR-TPC@ISOLDE (Jozef Klimo)

- Fission is expected to play a key role in the description of r-process in nucleosynthesis n-rich nuclei in two neutron star merger



Fission barrier height is the parameter determining fission rate



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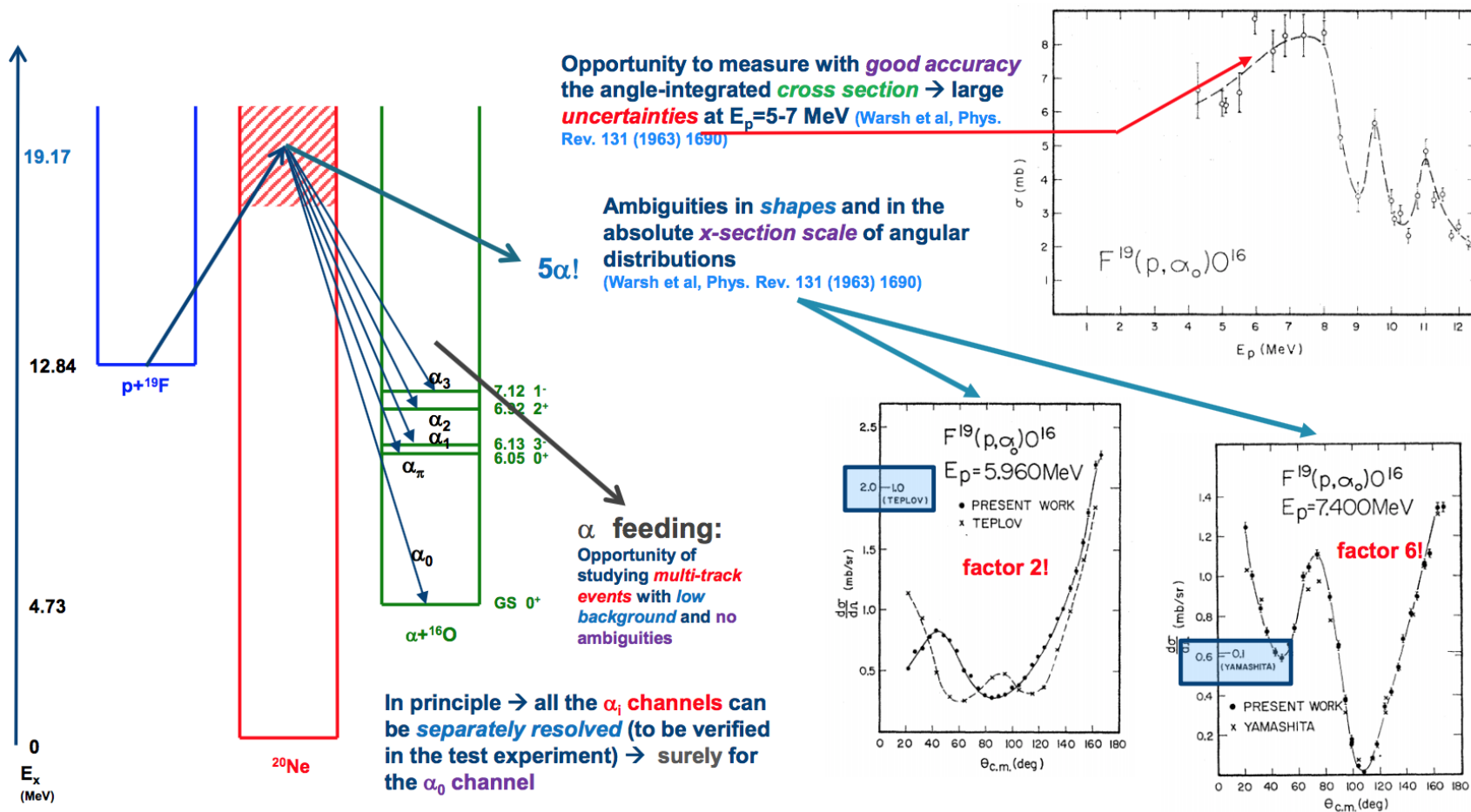
Abstract: A theoretical framework is described, allowing to determine the fission barrier height using the observed cross sections of fission induced by the (d,p)-transfer with accuracy, which is not achievable in another type of ion-ion fusion of neutron-deficient nuclei, the β -delayed fission. The ACTAR TPC, will thus provide the moment and which is highly

M. Veselsky et al.,
HIE-ISOLDE proposal
CERN-INTC-2012-055/P-356

IS581: n-deficient nuclei with zero pairing energy @ saddle point
 ^{194}Tl , ^{200}Bi , ^{202}At , ^{210}Fr

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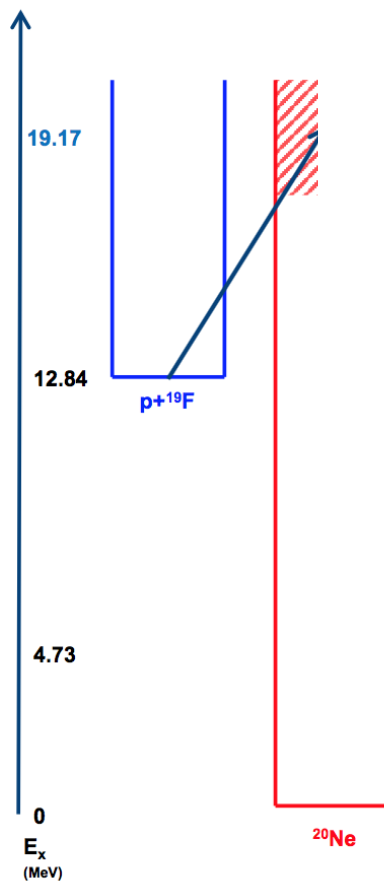
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Test case 2: $^{120}\text{Sn}(d,p)$ reaction at $E_{sn}=15$ AMeV (CS)



Schneid et al, Phys Rev 156 (1967) 4

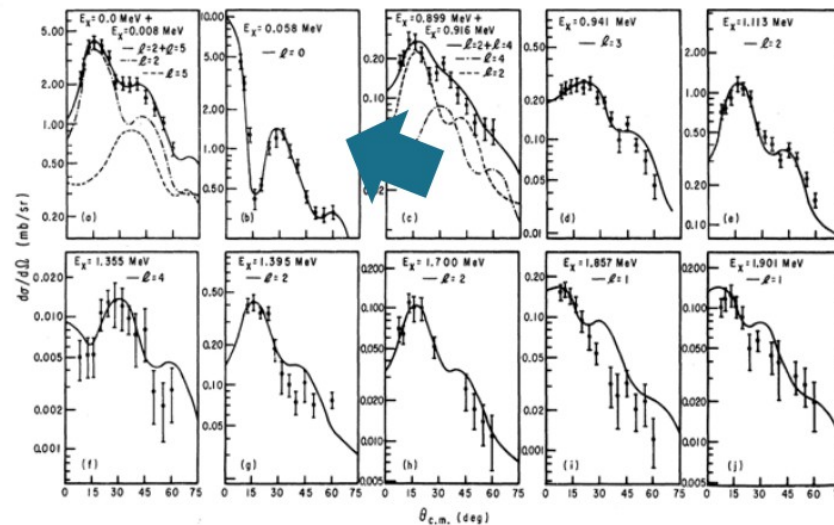
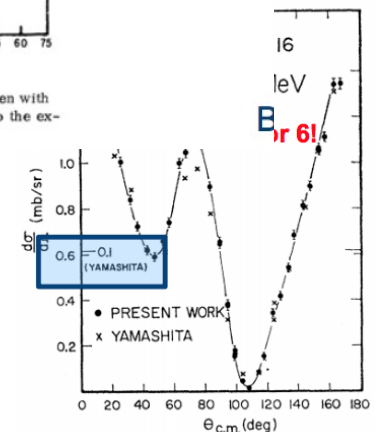
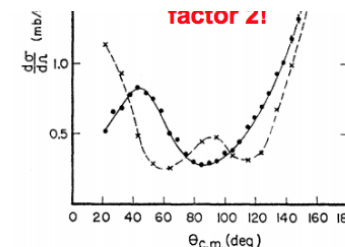


FIG. 2. Angular distributions of transitions in the $^{120}\text{Sn}(d,p)^{121}\text{Sn}$ reaction. The experimental points are given with error bars corresponding to statistics and background subtraction. The solid lines are DWBA curves fitted to the experimental data.

studying **multi-track events with low background and no ambiguities**

In principle $\rightarrow$ all the α_i channels can be **separately resolved** (to be verified in the test experiment) $\rightarrow$ surely for the α_0 channel



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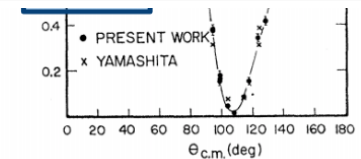
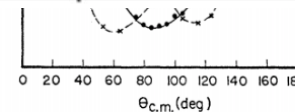
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Table 1. List of the proposed projectile for the energy loss profile measurements. As an example, the pressure needed to stop the gas on the pad plane is given for the $i\text{C}_4\text{H}_{10}$ case.

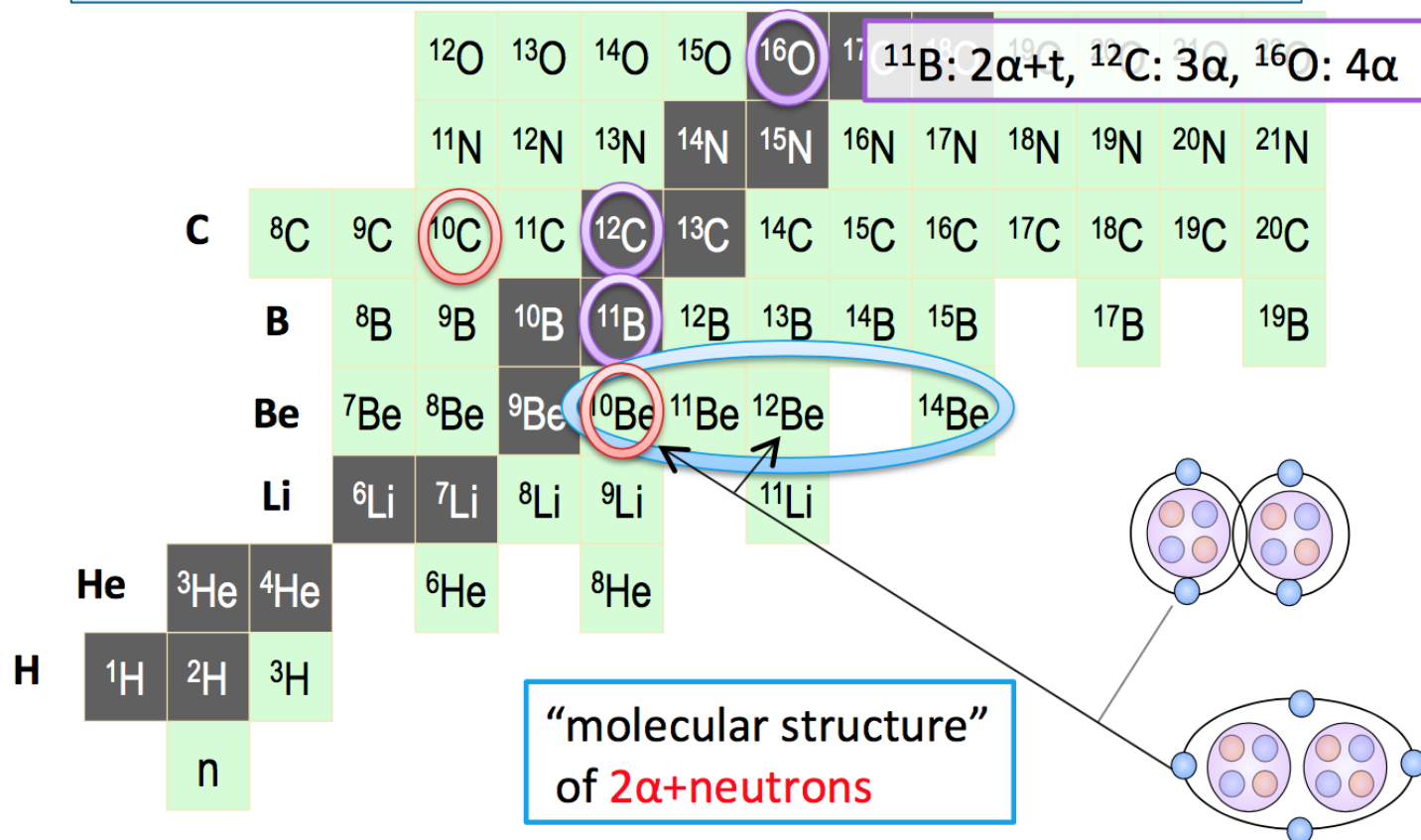
Ion	Beam Energy (MeV/u)	Gases to be measured	BTU requested	<i>iC4H10</i> pressure (mbar) typical case example
⁷ Li	1.0 - 4.5	H ₂ , D ₂ , CH ₄ , iC ₄ H ₁₀ , CF ₄ , CO ₂ , He	4.5	500
⁹ Be	1.5 - 4.5		4.5	500
¹⁰ B	1.8 - 4.5		4.5	500
¹² C	2.0 - 4.5		4.5	250
¹⁵ N	2.0 - 4.5		4.5	250
¹⁶ O	2.0 - 4.5		4.5	250
¹⁹ F	2.0 - 4.5		4.5	250
²⁴ Mg	2.0 - 4.5		4.5	250
⁴⁰ Ca	2.0 - 3.8		4.5	250
¹²⁰ Sn	1.5 - 1.7		4.5	125
Total			45	



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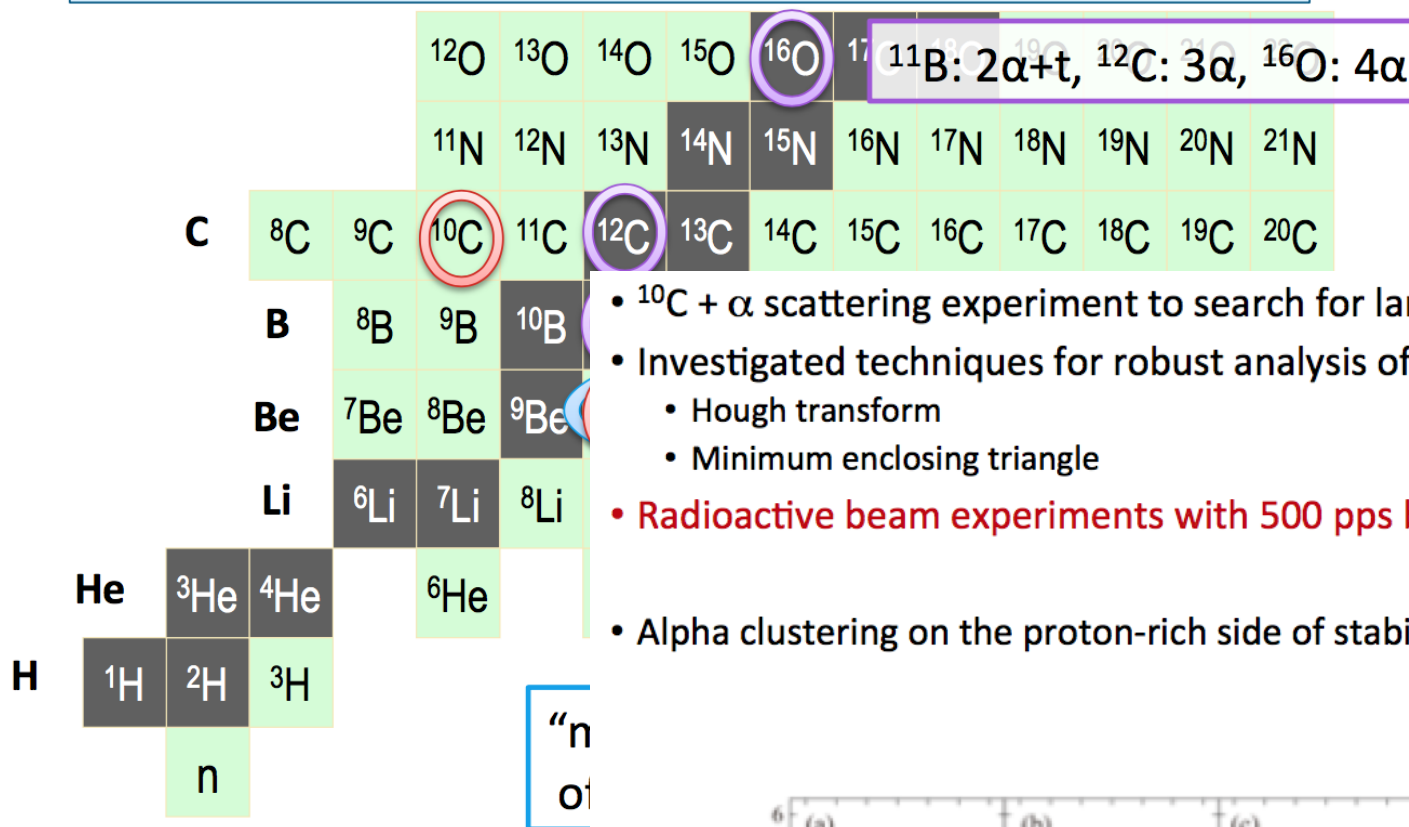


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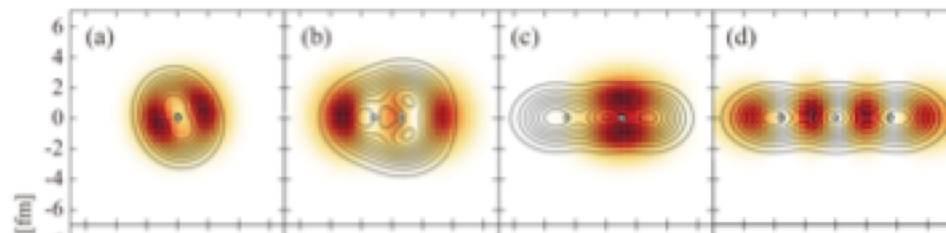
Can proton-rich nuclei also form α molecular structures?

α clustering is an important aspect of atomic nuclei.



ATTPC (Tan Ahn)

- $^{10}\text{C} + \alpha$ scattering experiment to search for large alpha widths in ^{14}O
- Investigated techniques for robust analysis of track images
 - Hough transform
 - Minimum enclosing triangle
- Radioactive beam experiments with 500 pps beam rates
- Alpha clustering on the proton-rich side of stability?



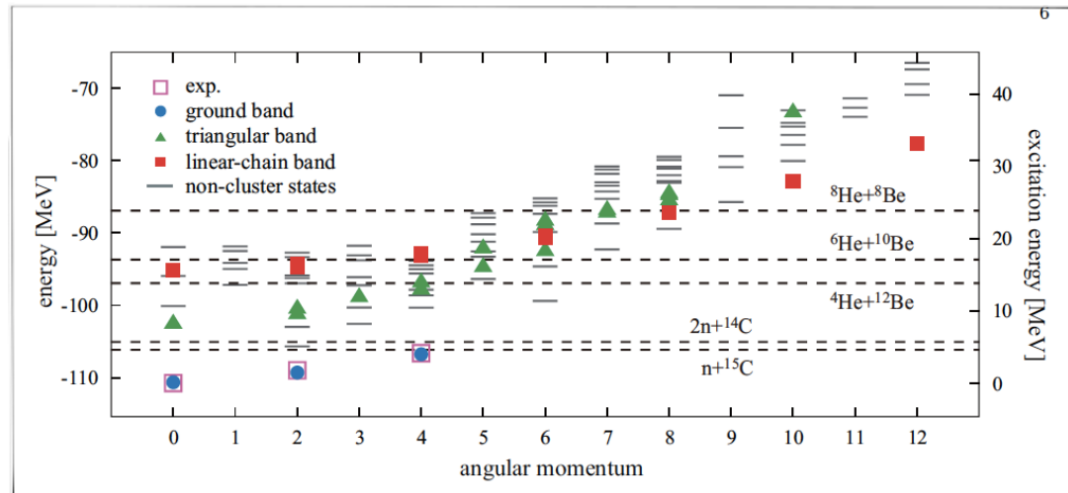
Can proton-rich nuclei a

ATTPC (Yassid Ayyad)

$^{16}\text{C}(J=0+)$	Triangular	Linear-Chain
$E_x [\text{MeV}]$	8.35	16.81
$\gamma [^{12}\text{Be}(0+)\otimes I=0]$	0.063	0.103
$\gamma [^{12}\text{Be}(2+)\otimes I=2]$	0.044	0.181

$^{16}\text{C}(J=2+)$	Triangular	Linear-Chain
$E_x [\text{MeV}]$	9.65	17.36
$\gamma [^{12}\text{Be}(0+)\otimes I=2]$	0.030	0.095
$\gamma [^{12}\text{Be}(2+)\otimes I=0]$	0.026	0.083
$\gamma [^{12}\text{Be}(2+)\otimes I=2]$	0.061	0.088
$\gamma [^{12}\text{Be}(2+)\otimes I=4]$	0.015	0.105

$^{16}\text{C}(J=4+)$	Triangular	Linear-Chain
$E_x [\text{MeV}]$	12.89	18.99
$\gamma [^{12}\text{Be}(0+)\otimes I=4]$	0.009	0.097
$\gamma [^{12}\text{Be}(2+)\otimes I=2]$	0.057	0.117
$\gamma [^{12}\text{Be}(2+)\otimes I=4]$	0.026	0.083
$\gamma [^{12}\text{Be}(2+)\otimes I=6]$	0.002	0.083



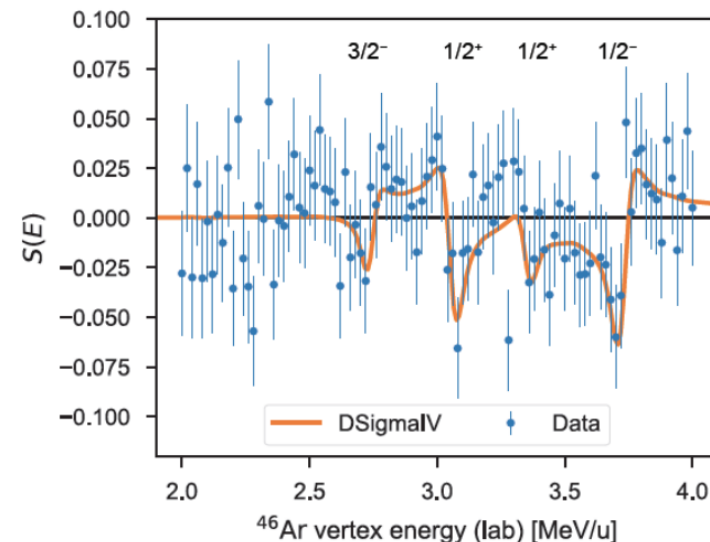
Resonant alpha scattering $^{12}\text{Be}+^4\text{He}$

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$^{46}\text{Ar}+p$ resonant scattering

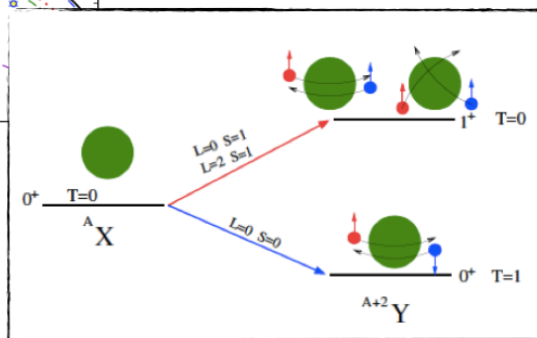
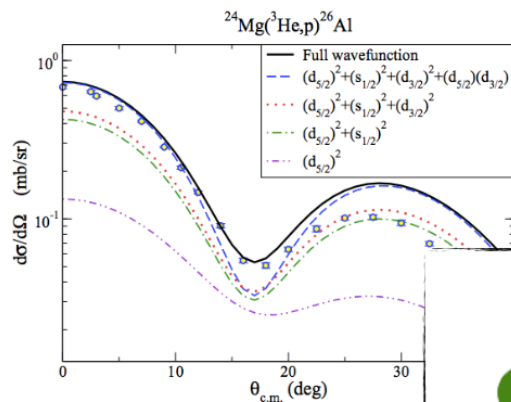
Evolution of the N= 28 shell closure

Resonances in ^{47}Ar

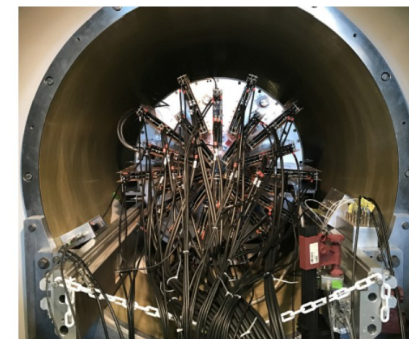
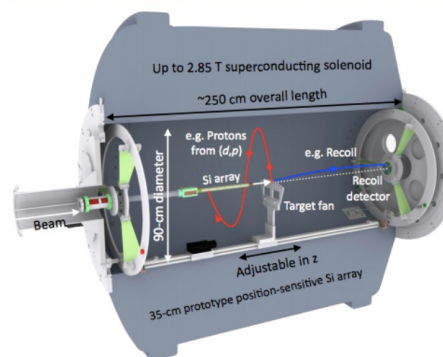
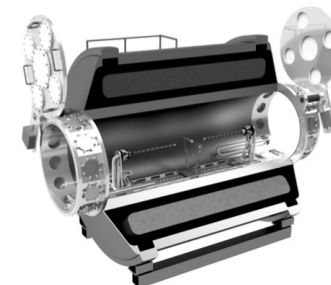
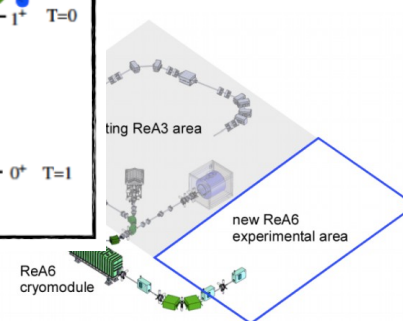


ATTPC (Yassid Ayyad)

Isoscalar neutron-proton pairing



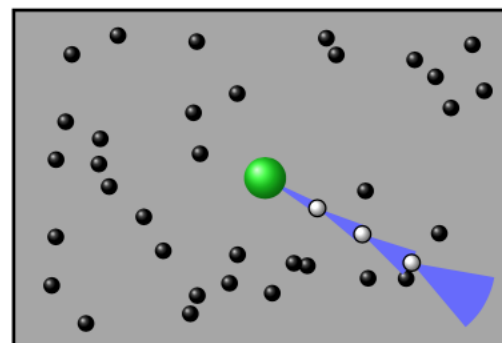
HELIOS + AT-TPC



Jean-Marc Sparenberg

Project: deterministic quantum statistical detector model

- Inspired by [Mott 1929]'s original question: why no **multiple tracks**?
 - ▶ because of **state-space structure**
 - ▶ in "**unaided**" wave mechanics
- New question: why a **particular track**?
 - ▶ hypothesis: because of **detector microscopic state** [JMS et al. 2013] (fixed atom positions in simplest case)
 - ▶ deterministic statistical mechanics
- Directly related to **slowing-down** (stopping power) through
 - ▶ (in)elastic scattering
 - ▶ ionization



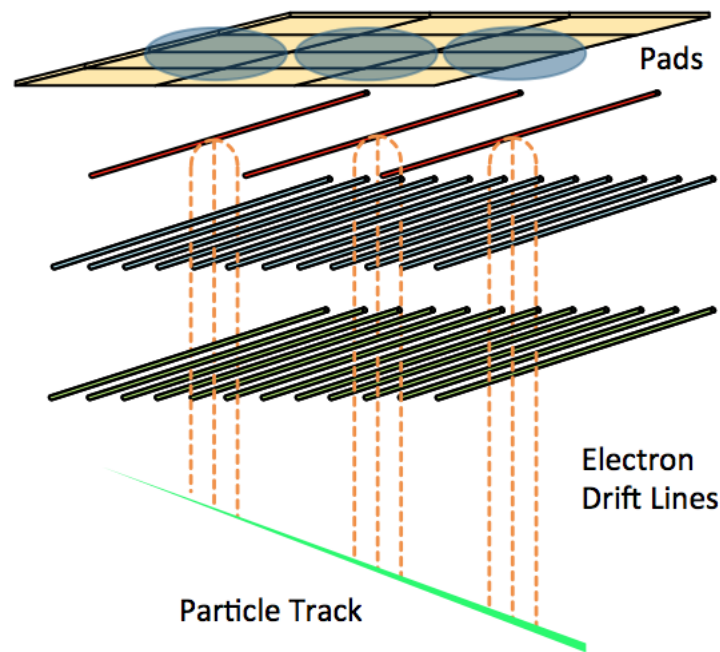
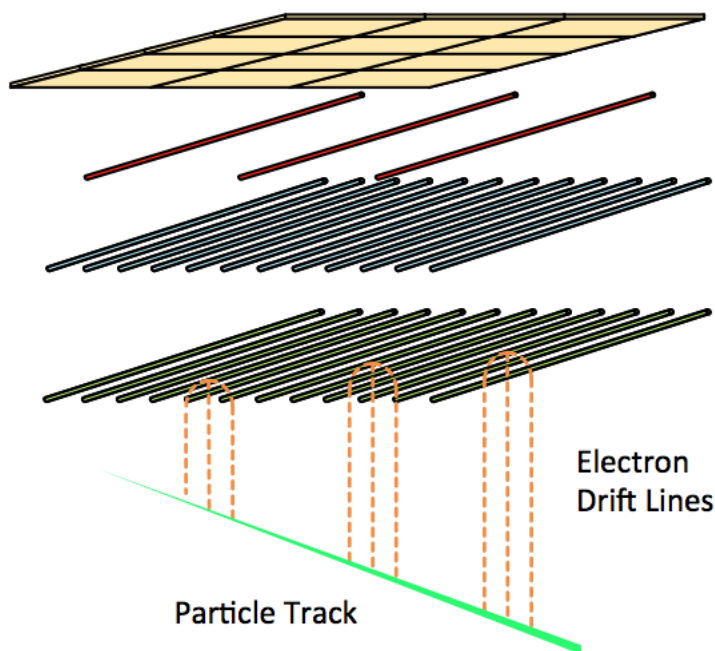
- α -particle source
- Unexcited atom
- Hit/excited/ionized atom

SPIRIT (Betty Tsang)

anode
wires

Ground
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Gating
grid
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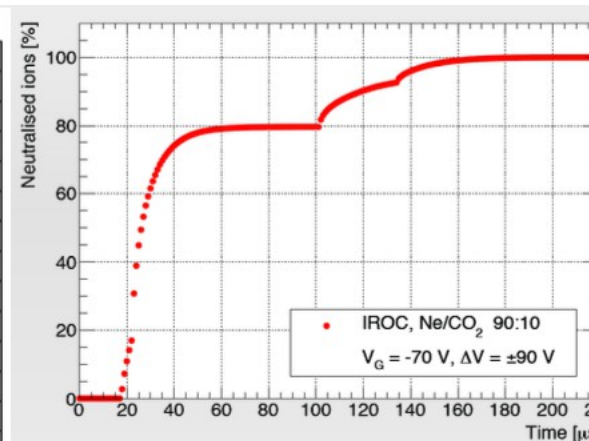
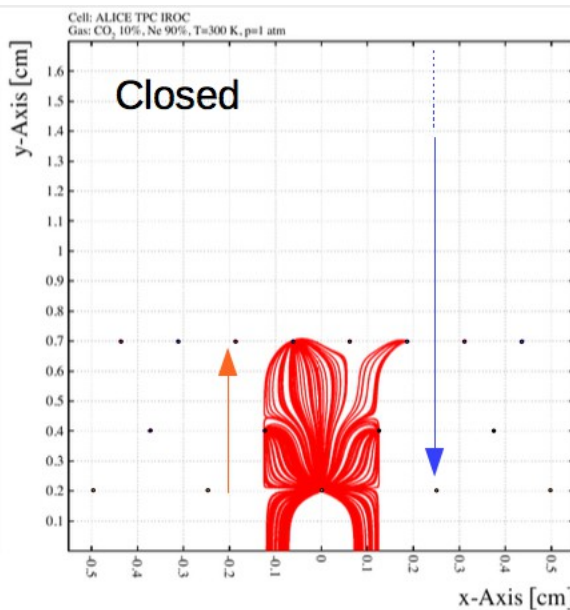
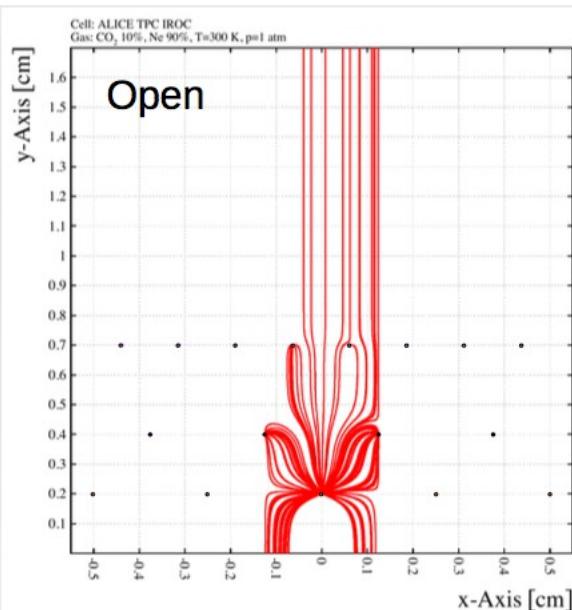


ALICE (Jens Wiechula)

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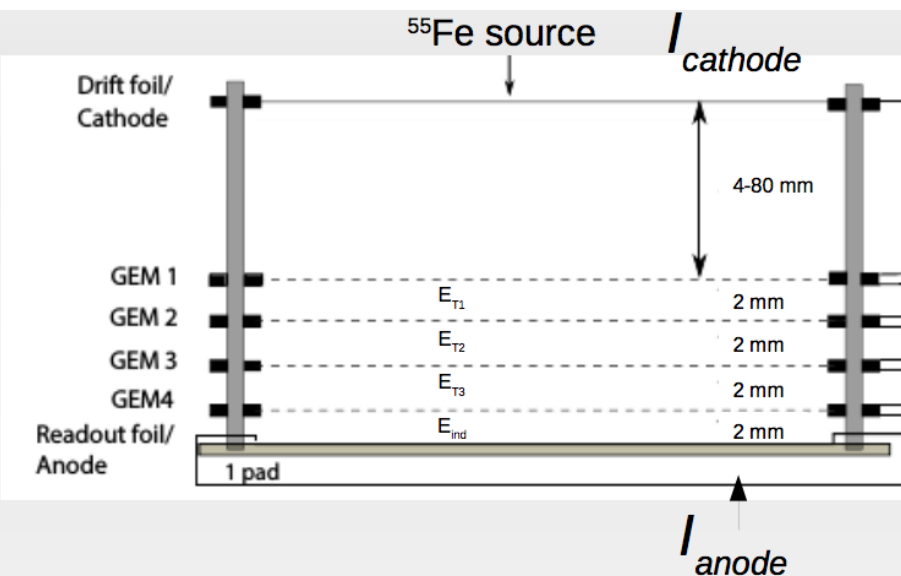
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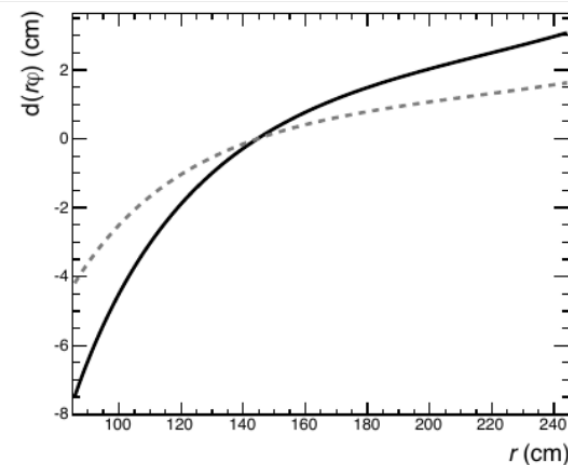
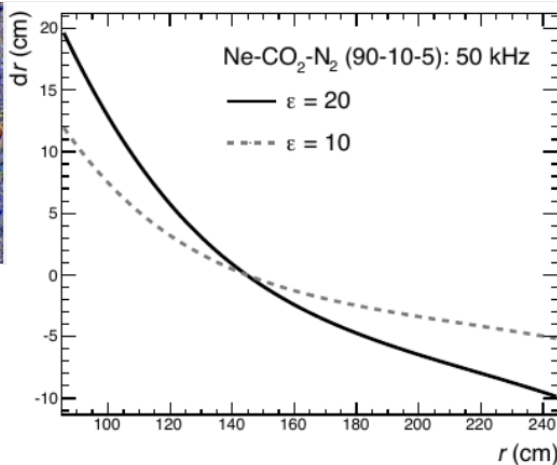
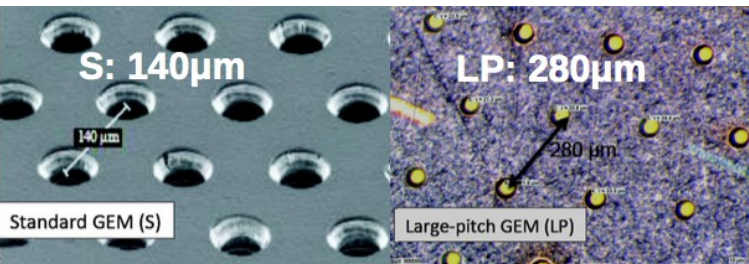


- Very good ion suppression (ion back flow – $IB \sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-5}$)
- Limited rate capability
 - Readout cycle: $t_{\text{readout}} = t_{e^{-}\text{drift,max}} + t_{\text{ion drift}}$
 - $100\mu\text{s} + 200\mu\text{s} \rightarrow \sim 3.5\text{kHz}$

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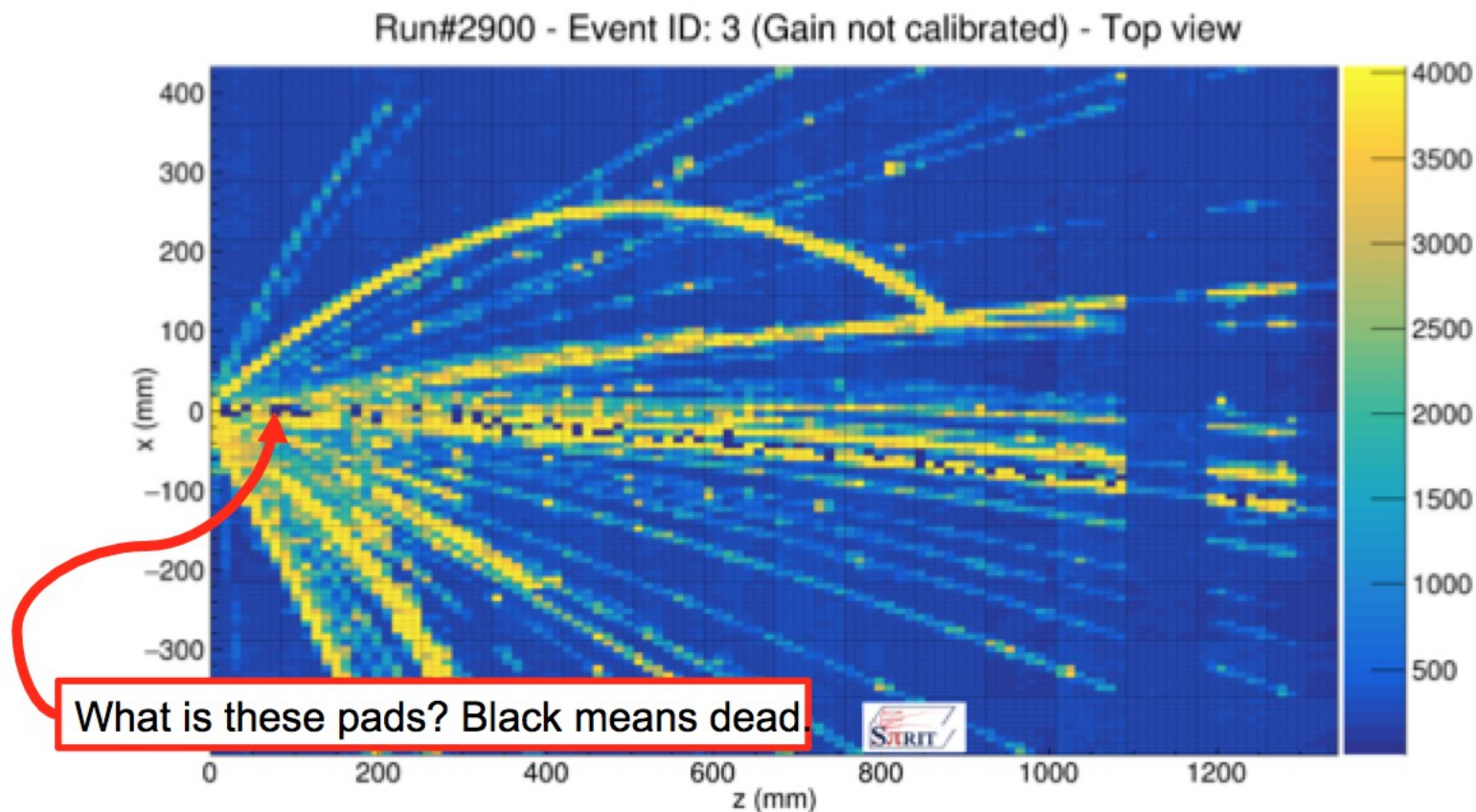


- Base line solution: 4-GEM stack (S-LP-LP-S)
 - $\sigma_E/E < 12\%$ for ^{55}Fe
 - $IB < 1\%$ @ gain 2000
 - Low discharge rate (5 trips per GEM stack per Pb–Pb running year)
- Large distortions (up to $O(10\text{cm})$) expected
 - Calibration scheme developed to correct down to the intrinsic resolution ($O(100\mu\text{m})$)

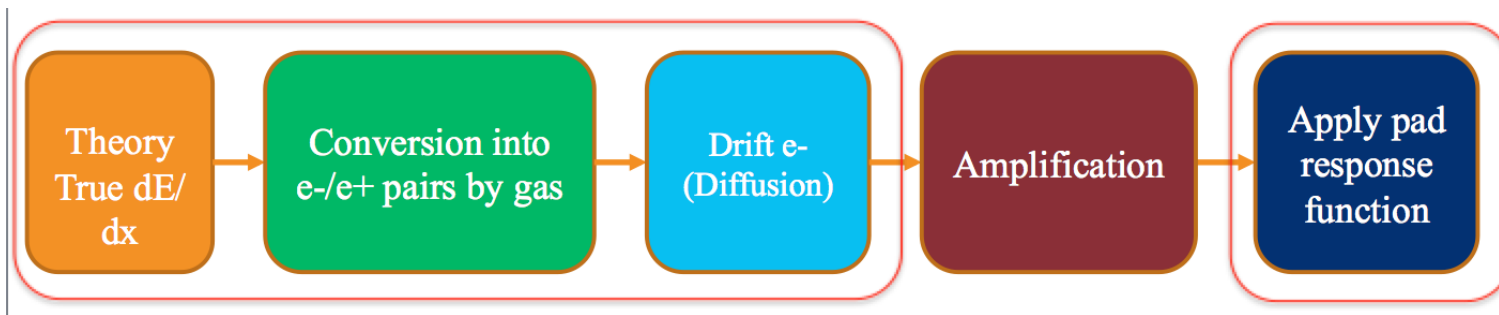
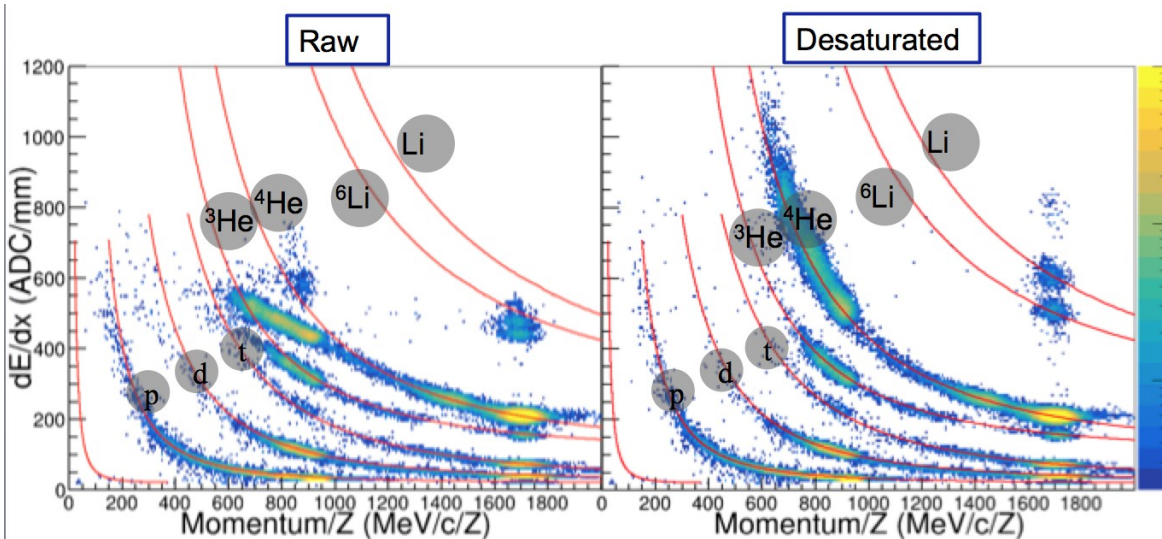
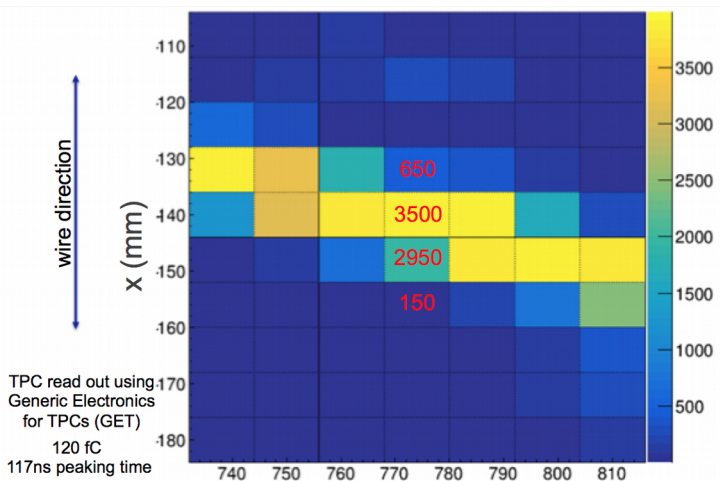


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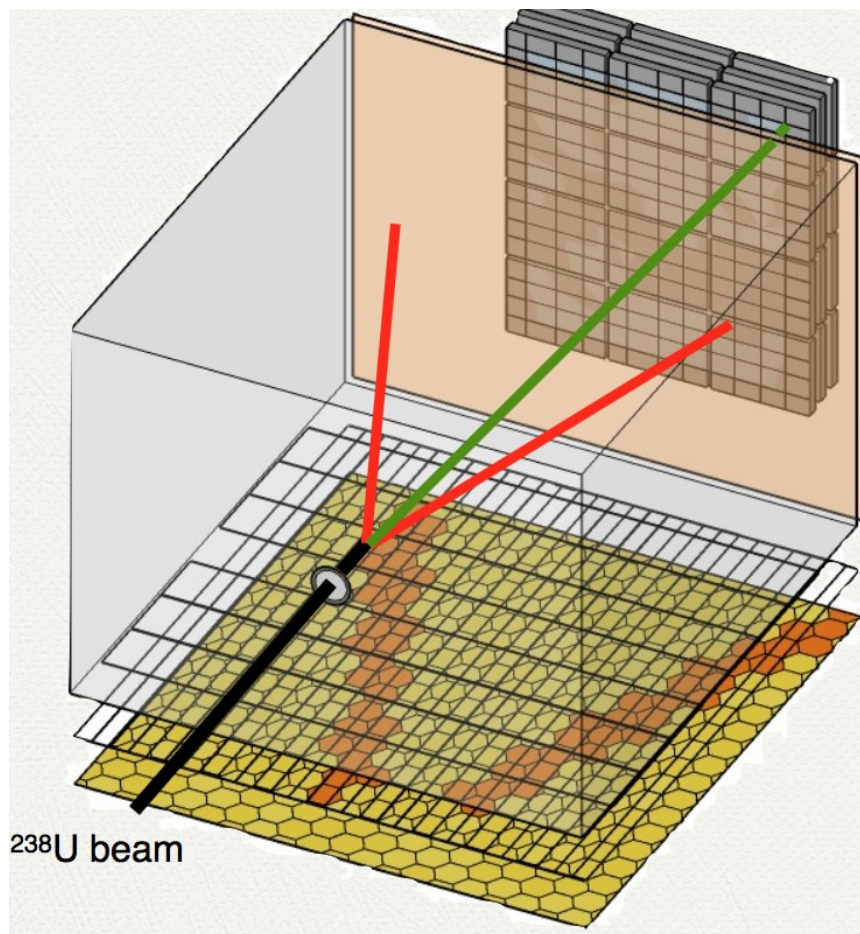
Dead channels along beam trajectory



SPIRIT (Justin Estee)



Fission in MAYA (Carmen Rodríguez)



A challenging scenario:

- ◆ ^{238}U beam at $\sim 6 \text{ MeV/u}$, $I \sim 10^6 \text{ pps}$.
- ◆ $\Delta E_{\text{beam}} \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$.
- ◆ $\sim 10^{13}$ electron-ion pairs/s created.

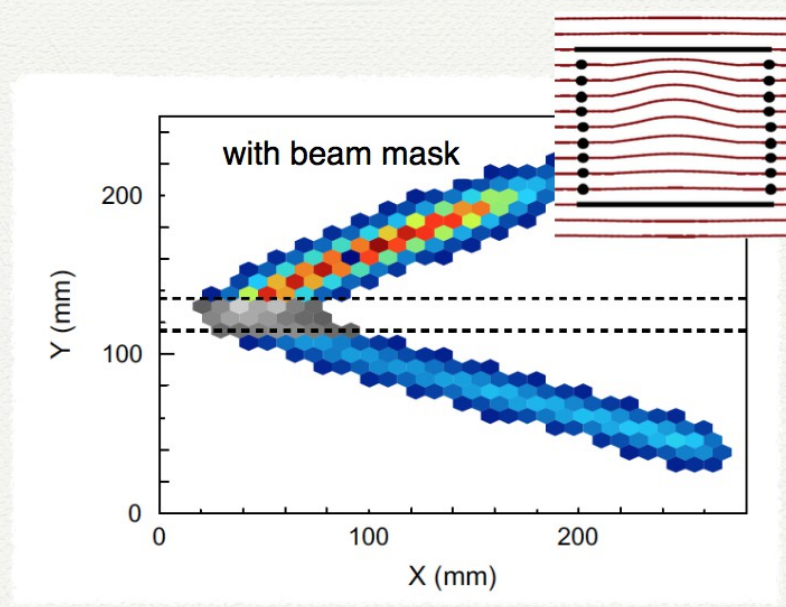
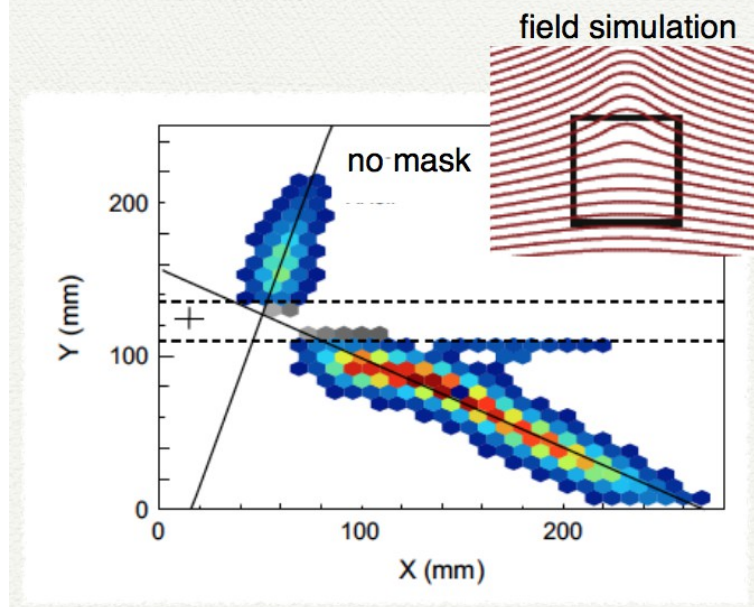
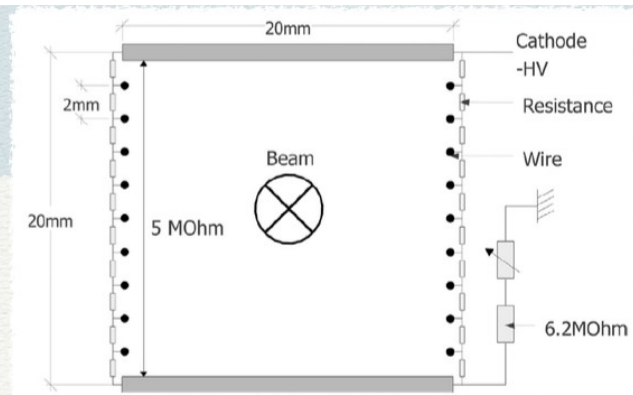
And therefore,

- ◆ Risk of sparks.
- ◆ Deformation of electric drift field.
- ◆ Delta e-, beam-induced signals.
- ◆ Pile-up.
- ◆ Simultaneous detection of light and heavy nuclei.

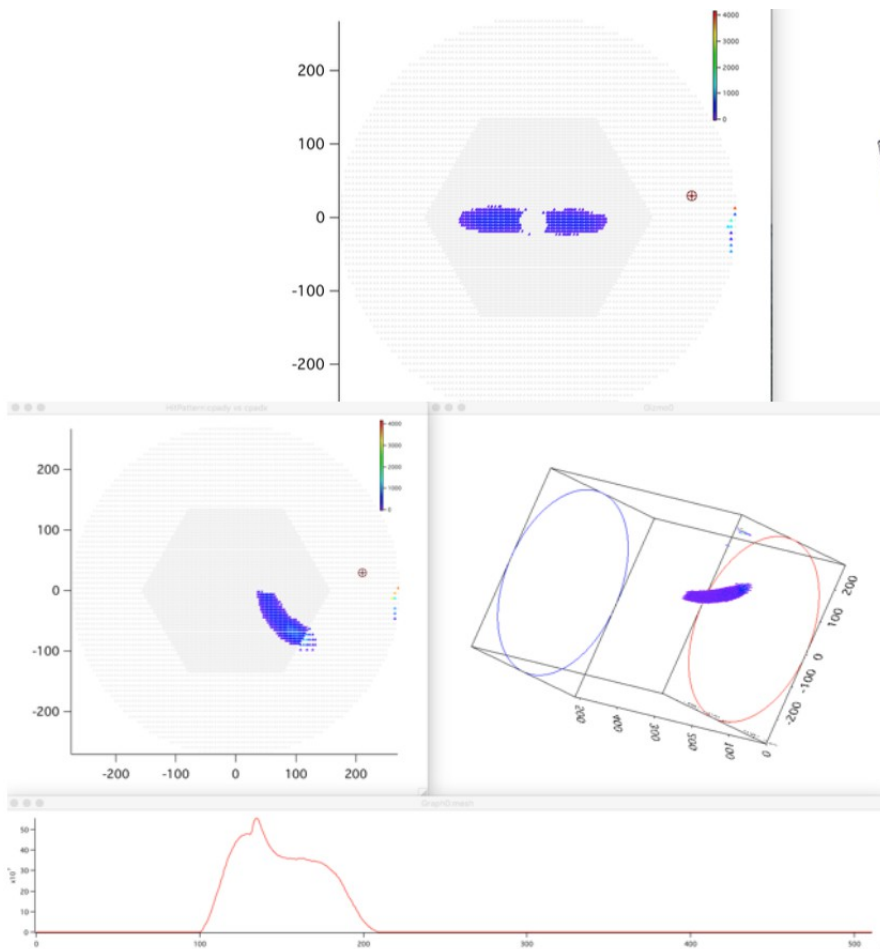
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Setup adaptation

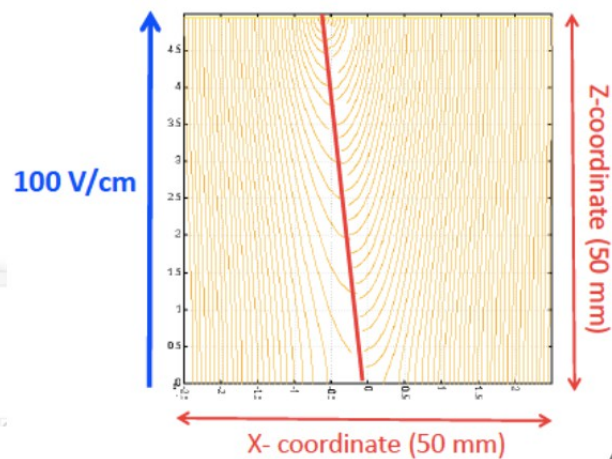
- Test with ^{136}Xe beam at 7.6 MeV/u + Ag target, $I \sim 10^6$ pps.
- Development of a dedicated beam mask.



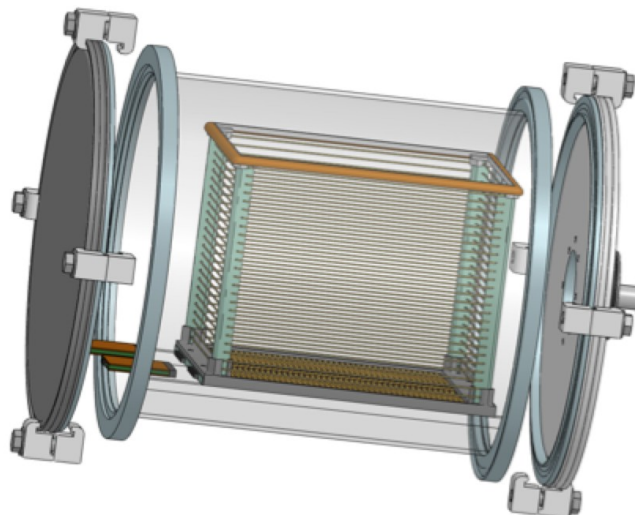
Charge effects in ATTPC (Yassid Ayyad)



Garfield snapshot
Drift field geometry on the beam plane



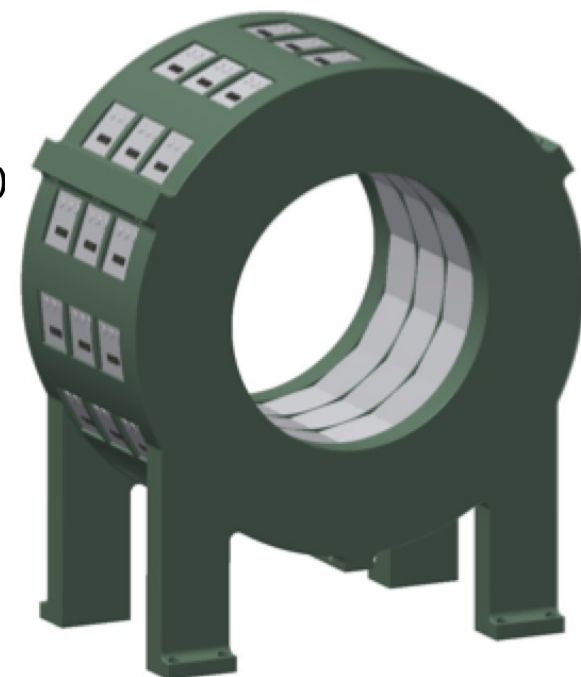
ATTPC (Clementine Santamaria)



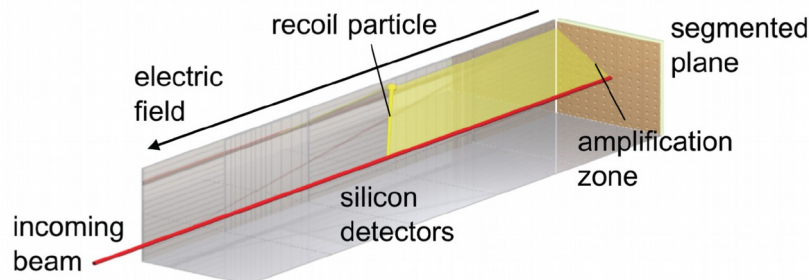
- ★ smaller TPC (200 mm diameter)
- ★ smaller drift time
- Higher count rates
- ★ Exit window possible in the design for higher beam energies
- ★ Different pad plane orientation for beam tracking
- ★ Coupling with gamma detection & neutron detection
- ★ example: (d,n) reactions

SpecMAT

(Ricardo Raabe, Oleg Poleschuk)



AT for GMR (Simone Cerruti)

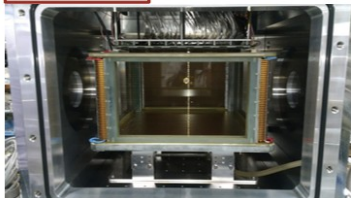


- ISGMR is a powerful tool to study the nuclear incompressibility
- New experimental data are needed, also in unstable nuclei
- Inverse kinematics is needed → Active Target

Active Targets: welcome to the new detectors!

CAT-M (Shinsuke Ota)

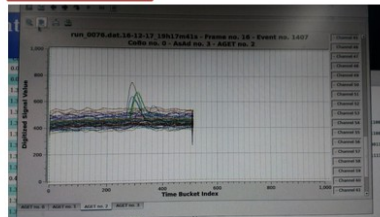
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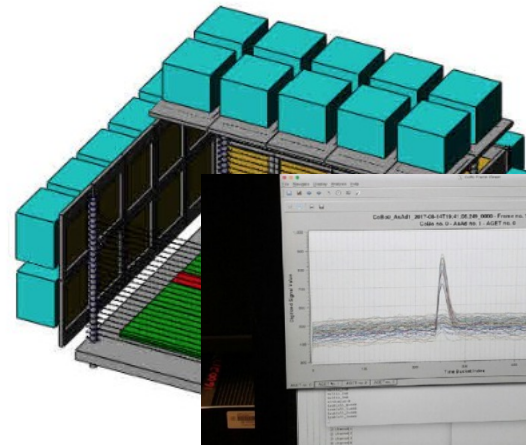
Installation

ZAP and finish

12/16 first signal

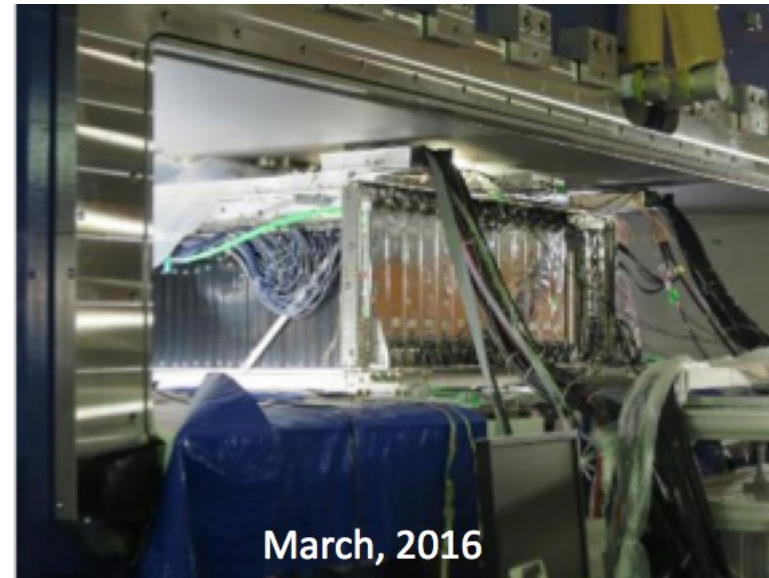


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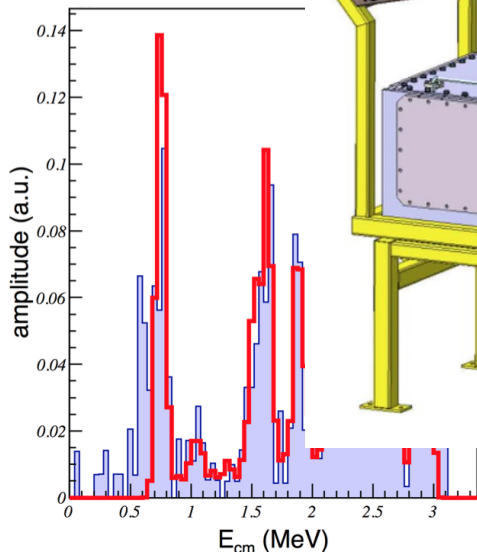
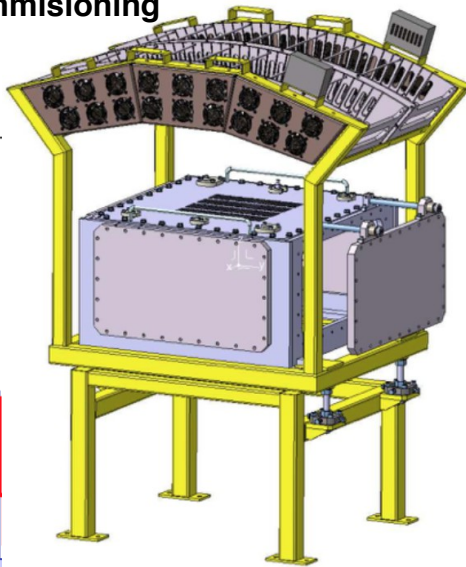
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SPiRiT-TPC (Tadaake Isoke, B. Tsang, Justin Estee, Genie Jhang)

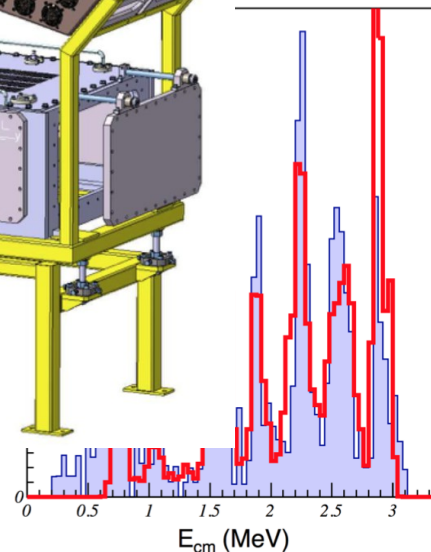


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ACTAR TPC Commissioning (Benoît Mauss)

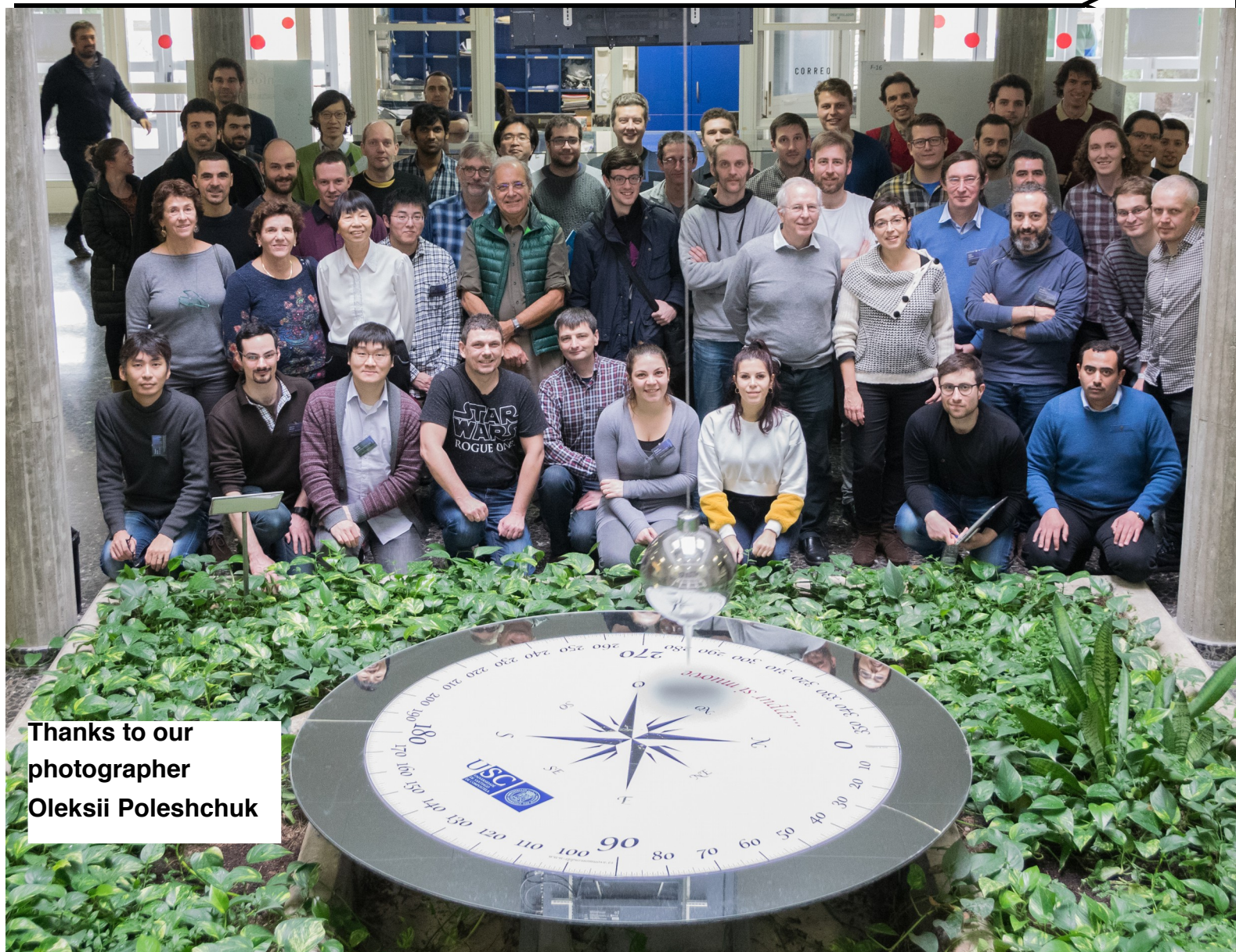


Projected on kinematic line



After iteration on the reaction energy

Thank you very much for your participation!



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