

The HINA experiment: Highly charged Ions for Nuclear physics and Astrophysics



Polynesian Goddess of
the Moon and Stars

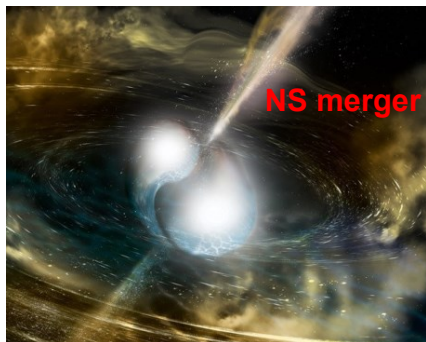
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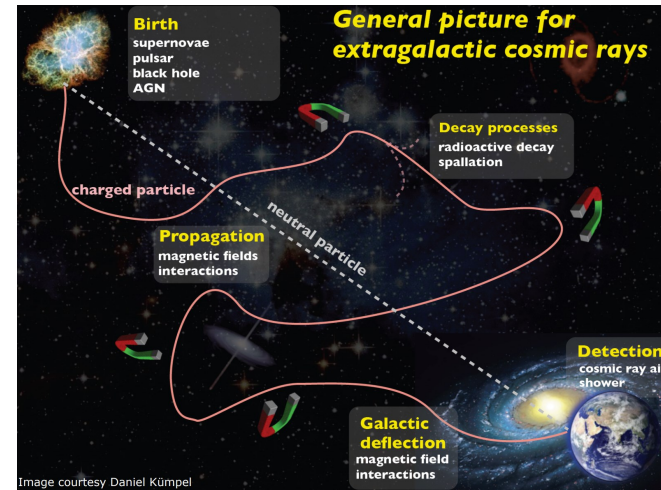




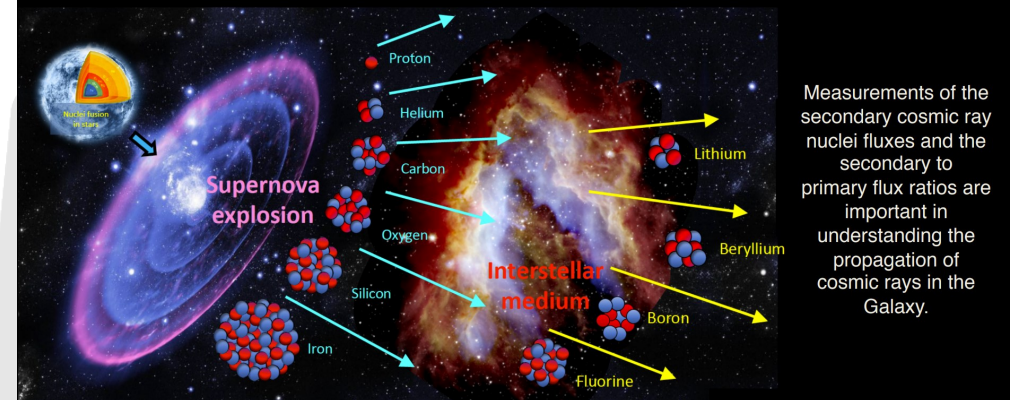
Where do we find them?



HINA: Nuclear decay of unstable HICs

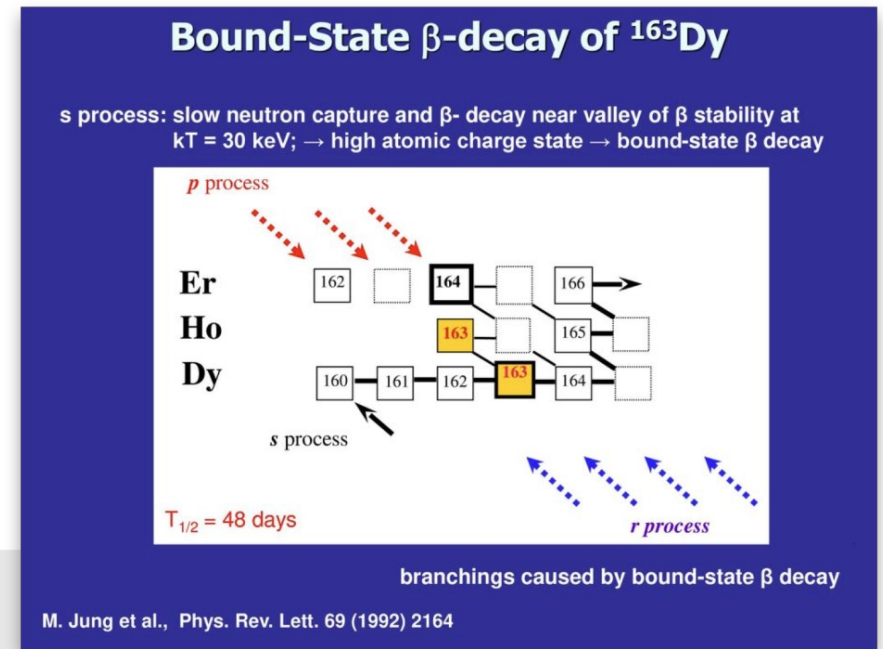
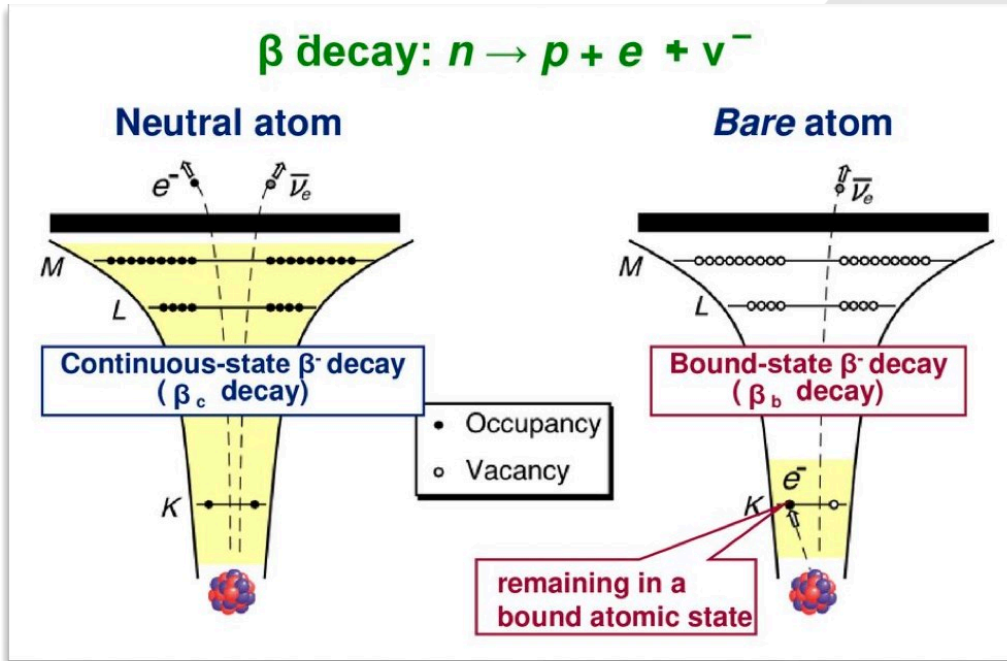


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$^{163}\text{Dy}^0$ stable \rightarrow $^{163}\text{Dy}^{66+}$ **unstable**



$$Q_{\beta_b}(K, L, \dots) = Q_{\beta_c^-} - |\Delta B_{e^-}| + |B_{e^-}^{K,L,\dots}|$$

49keV -2,8keV 13keV 65keV

Nuclear decay is NOT constant!



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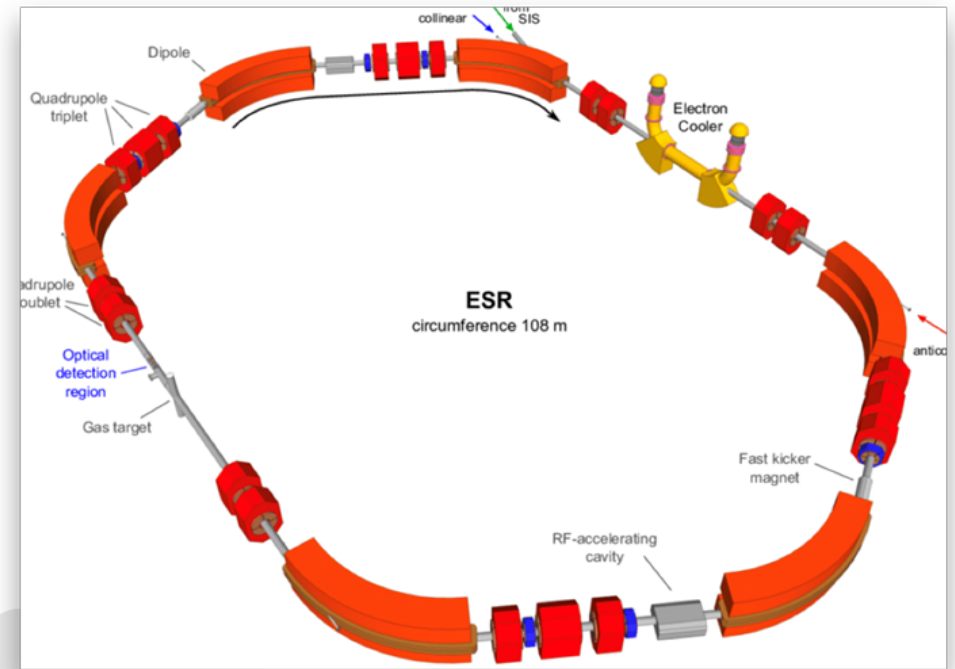
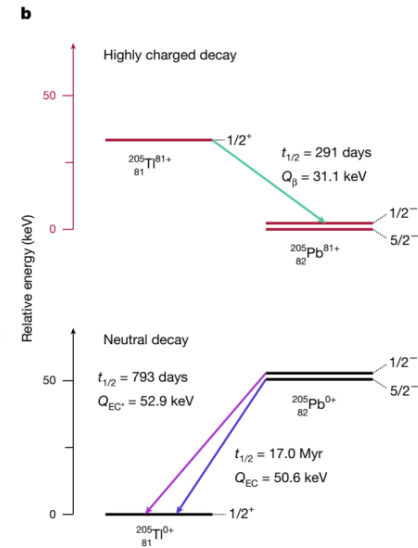
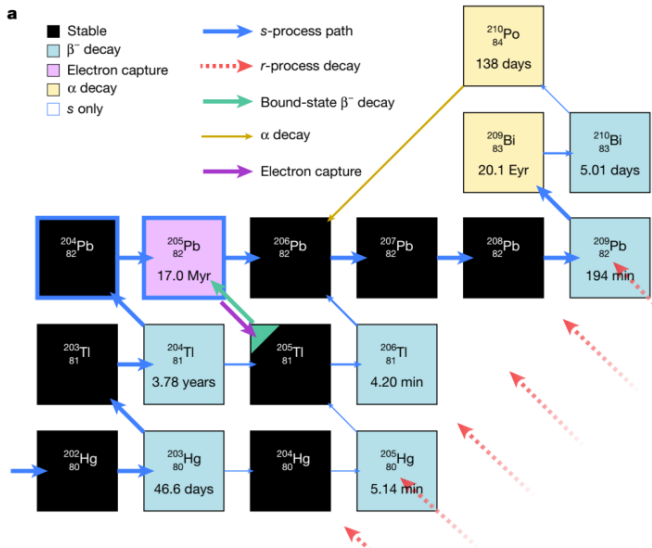
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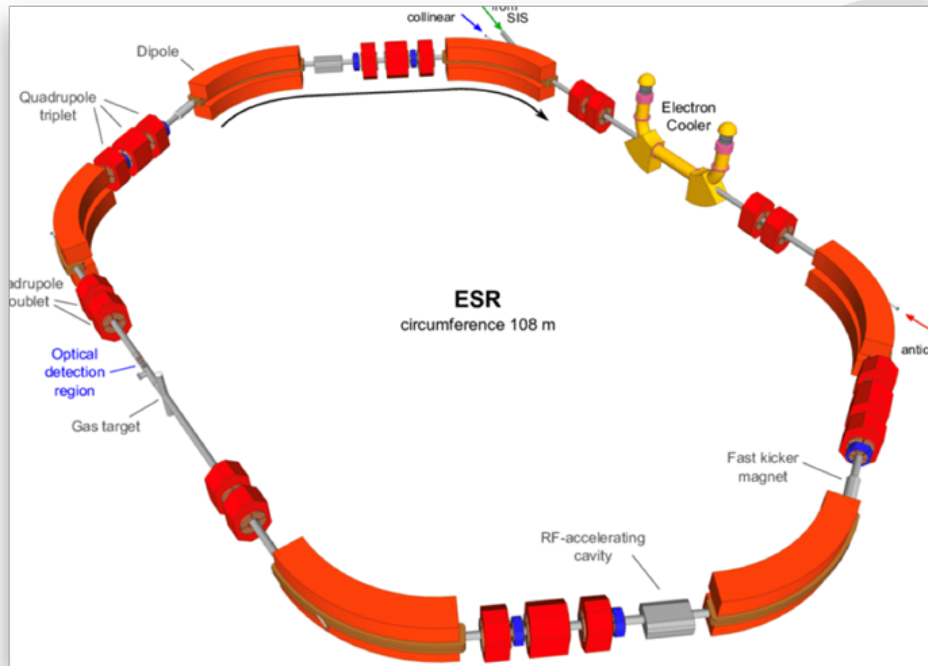
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High-temperature ^{205}Tl decay clarifies ^{205}Pb dating in early Solar System



Decay of highly charged ions was mainly studied at storage rings (GSI)

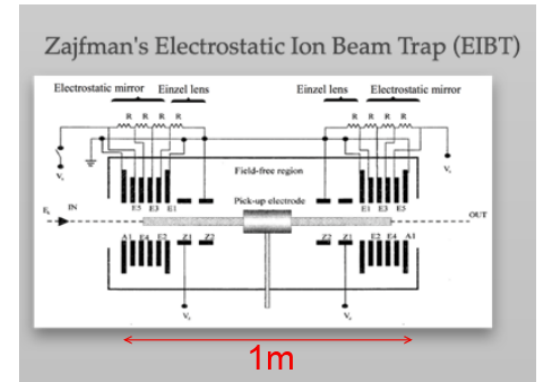
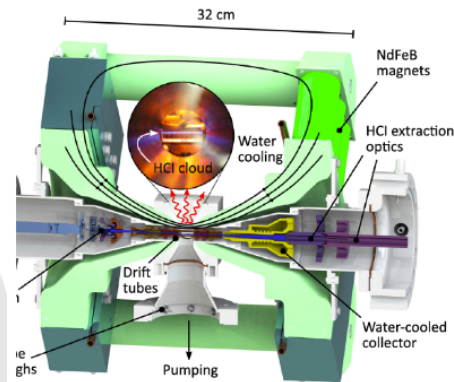
Litvinov Eur. Phys. J. A (2023) 59:102
~40 nuclei were studied in 30 years ($Z > 26$)



ESR@GSI
Focusing on studying heavy HCIs

Traps as alternative to storage rings
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Focus on light ions



Advantage:
Compact
→ Radiation detection
→ Reduce construction & operation cost

Disadvantage:
Compact
→ Space charge effects

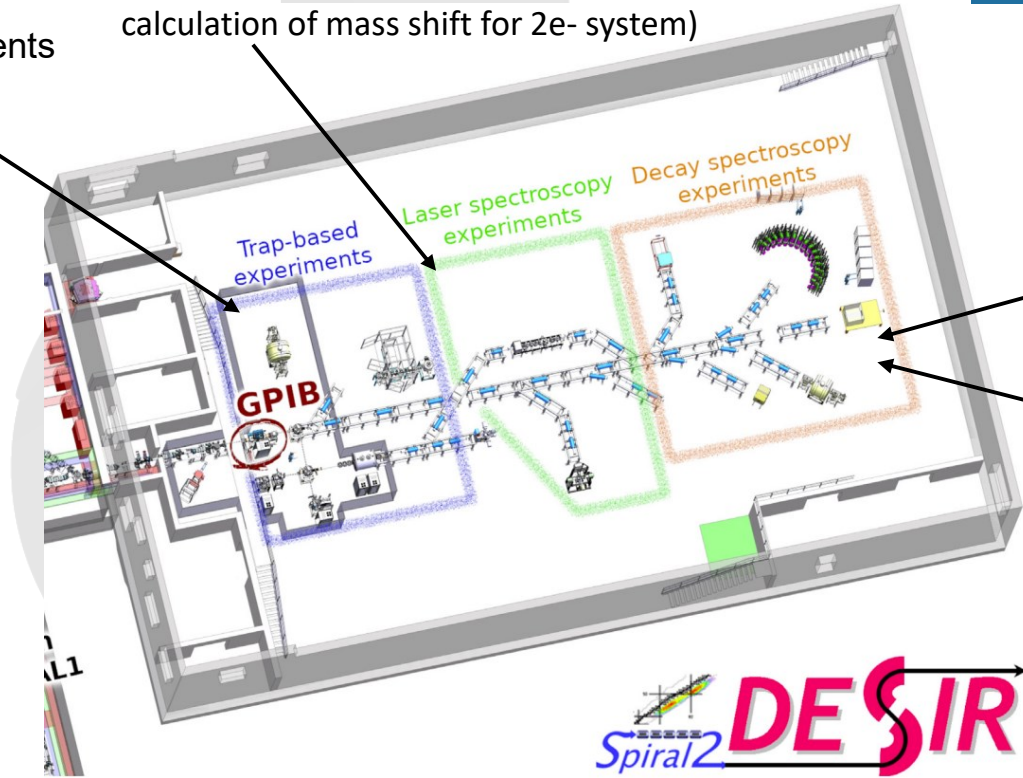
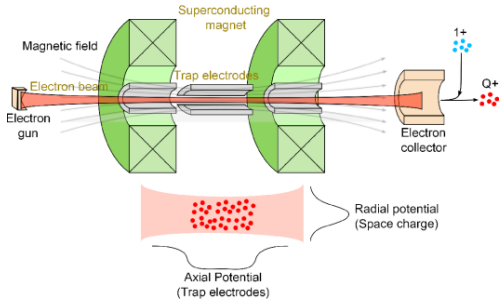


HINA ambition: adding a new dimension @DESIR

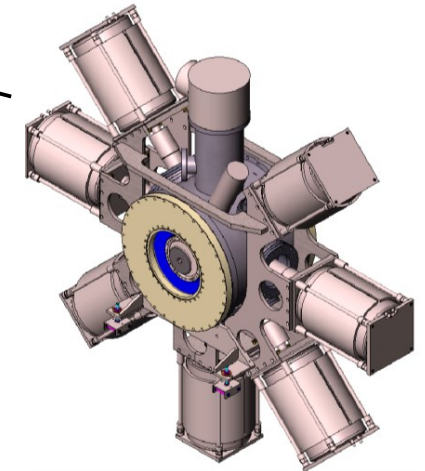
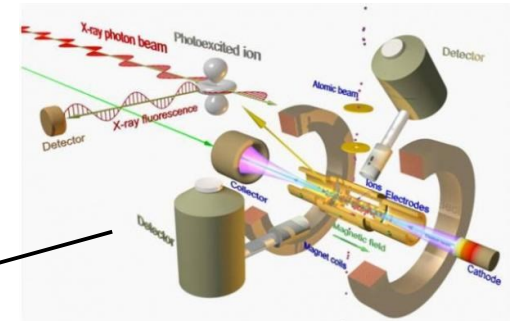
High precision collinear laser spectroscopy
e.g. Be^{2+} , B^{3+} and C^{4+}
Transition $1s2s \ ^3S_1 \rightarrow 1s2p \ ^3P_J$ laser accessible UV
(high sensitivity to charge radii & high precision calculation of mass shift for 2e- system)

High precision mass measurements

$$\frac{m}{\Delta m} \propto \frac{q \cdot B}{m} \cdot T_{RF} \sqrt{N}$$



Spectroscopy of HICs:
Nuclear physics
Astrophysics
Atomic physics, ...





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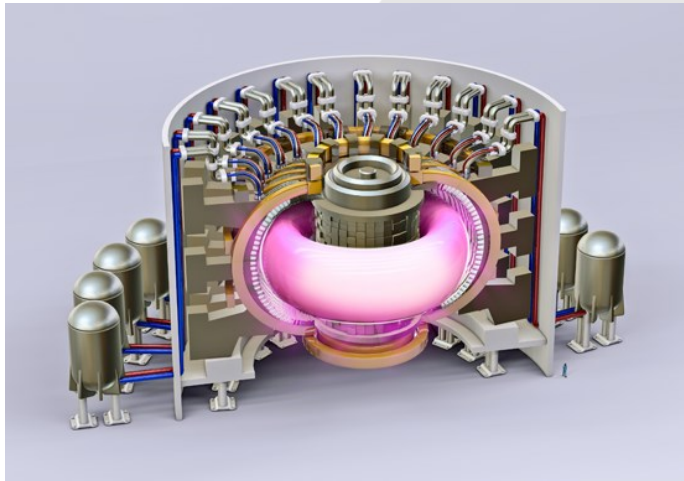
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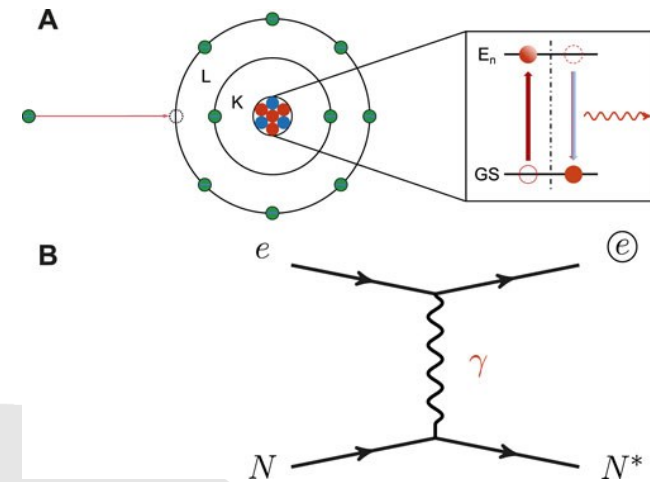
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Isomer depletion as experimental evidence of nuclear excitation by electron capture



Energy storage:
nuclear battery?



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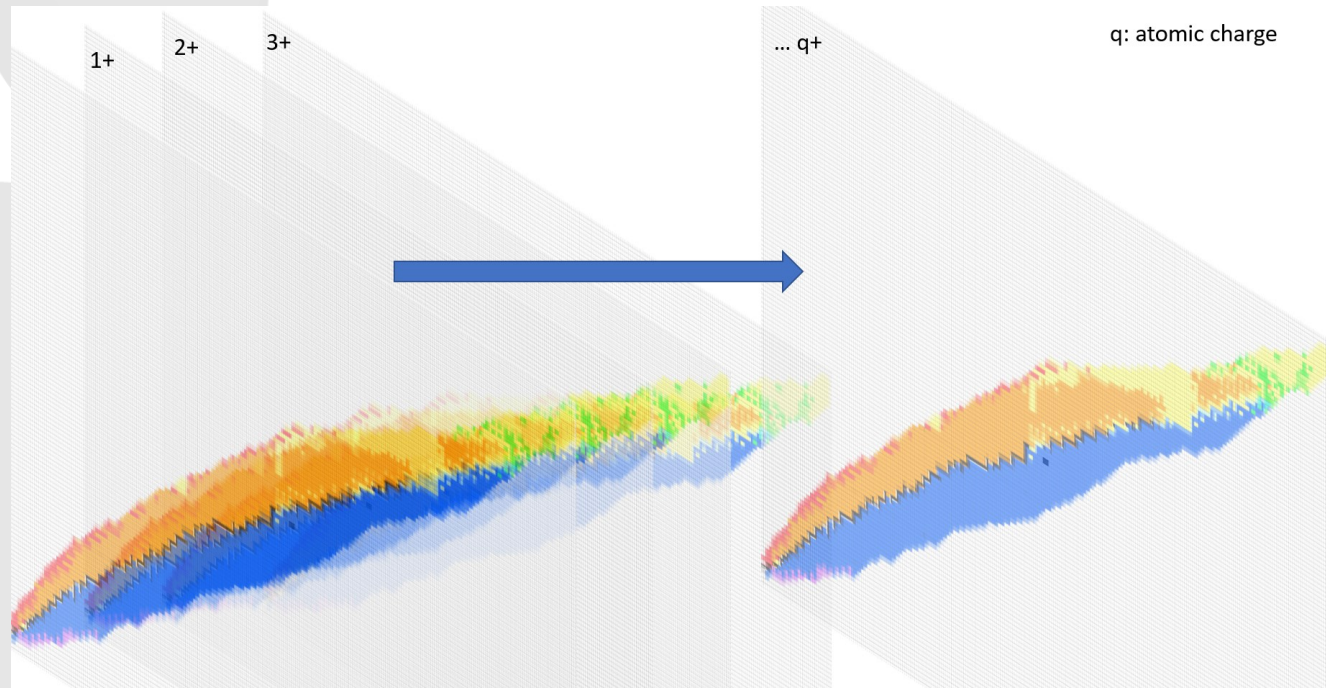
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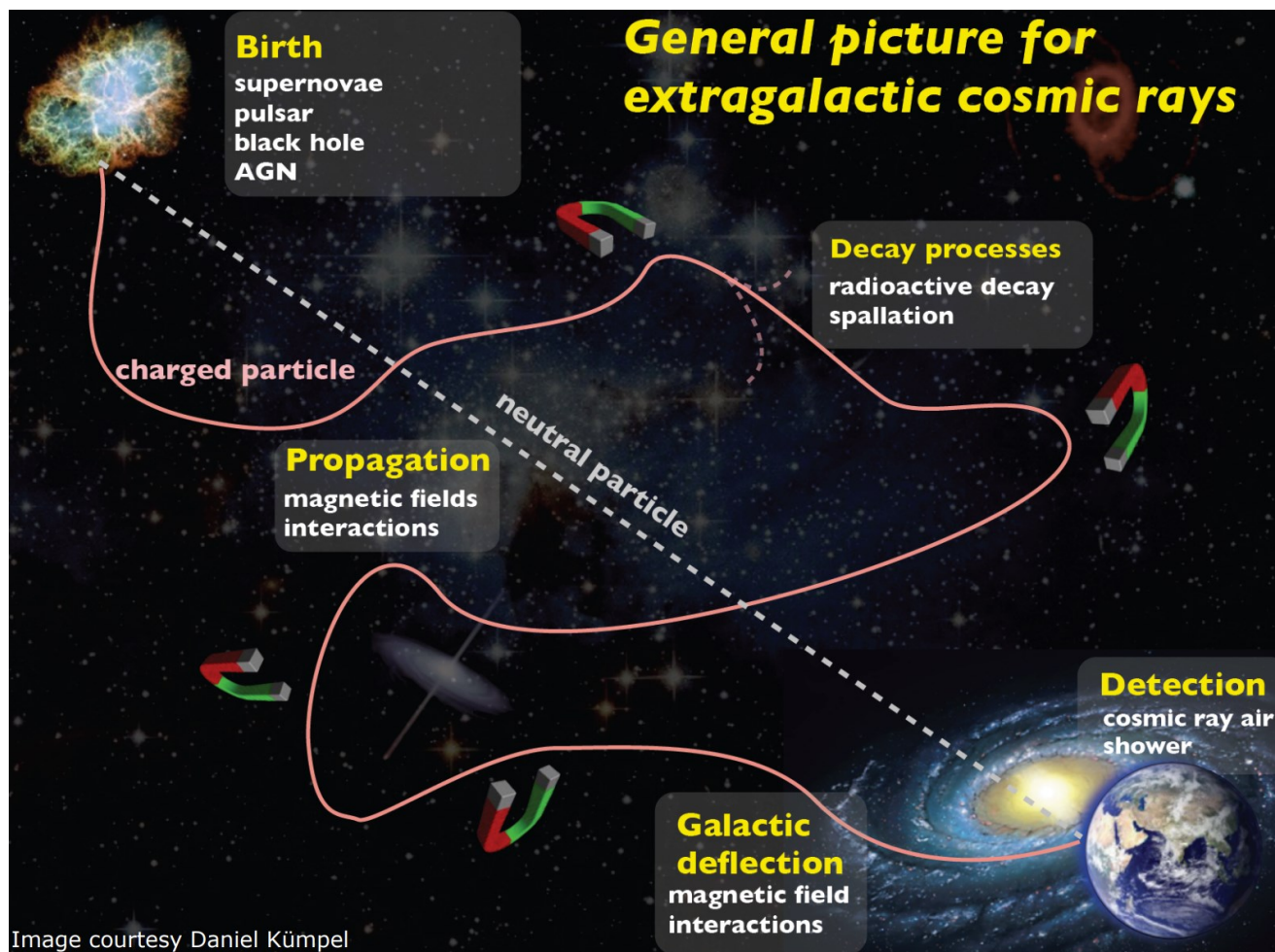
Trap-based setup

Nuclear physics
Astrophysics

High precision
New applications

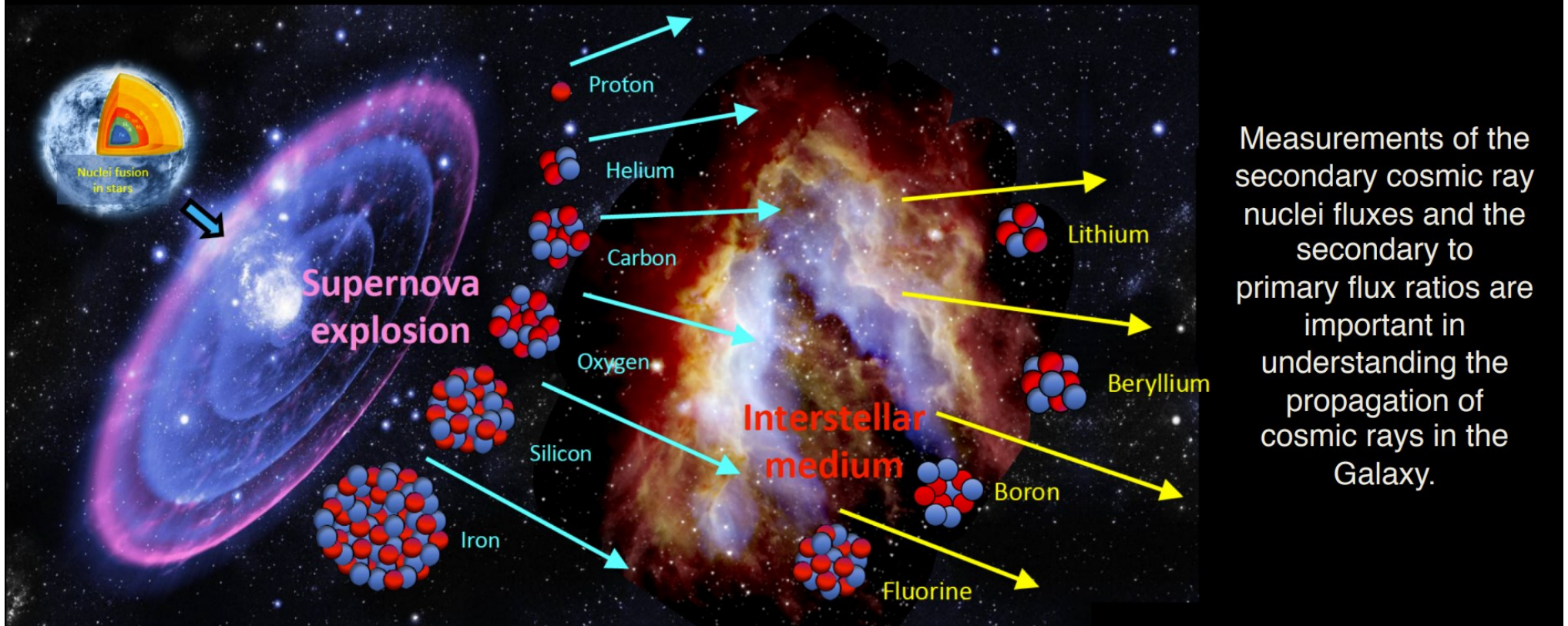
Adding a new dimension @DESIR for exploring the nuclear chart and increasing scientific impact







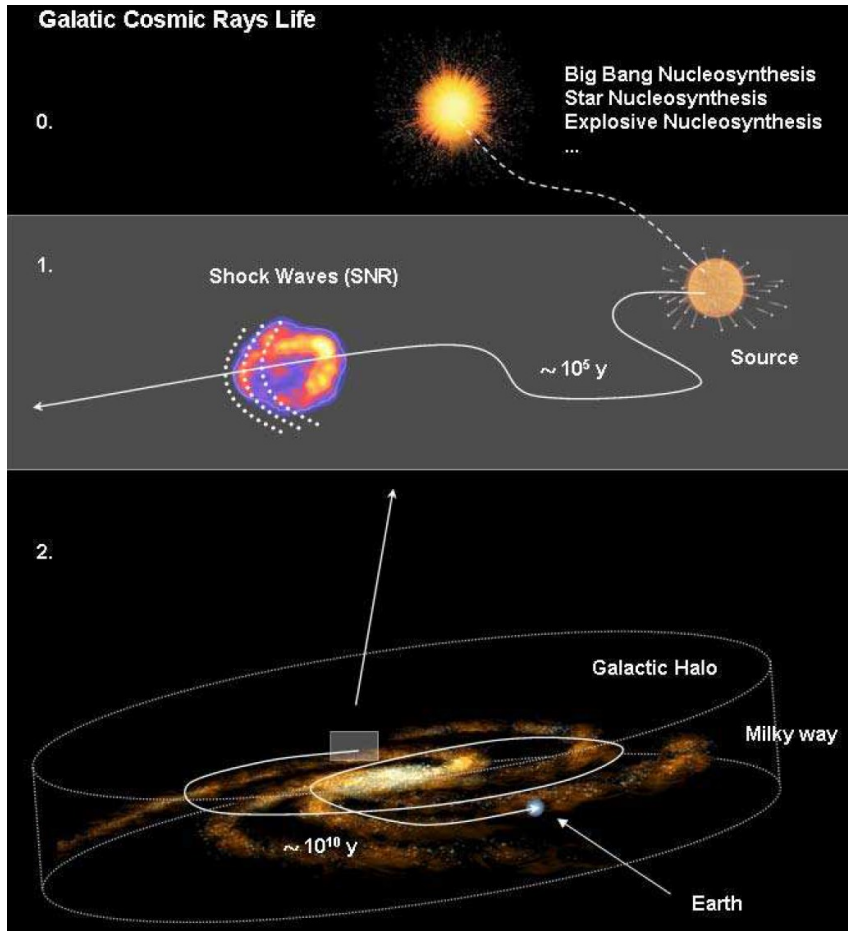
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Measurements of the secondary cosmic ray nuclei fluxes and the secondary to primary flux ratios are important in understanding the propagation of cosmic rays in the Galaxy.



Astronomic Clocks: Galactic Cosmic Rays



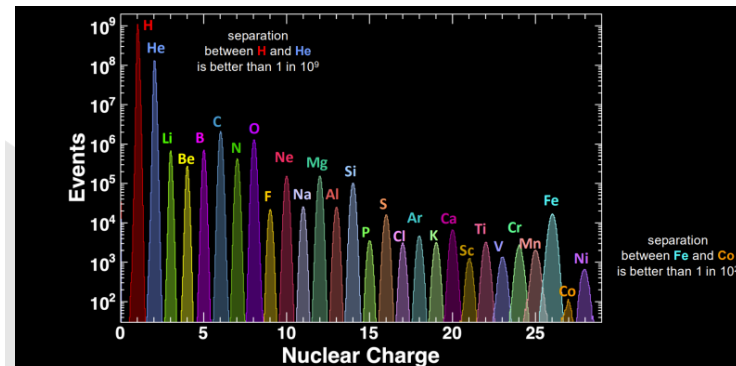
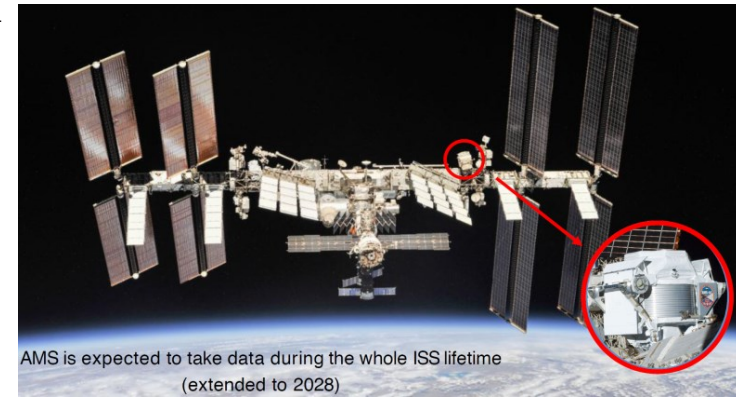
Most interesting GCRs (Astronomic Clocks)

Nuclide	Decay Mode	Half-life
^7Be	K-capture	53 days
^{10}Be	β^-	1.5 Myr
^{14}C	β^-	5730 yr
^{26}Al	β^+	0.87 Myr
	K-capture	4.0 Myr
^{36}Cl	β^-	0.30 Myr
^{37}Ar	K-capture	35 days
^{41}Ca	K-capture	0.10 Myr
^{44}Ti	K-capture	49 yr
^{49}V	K-capture	330 days
^{51}Cr	K-capture	28 days
^{53}Mn	K-capture	3.7 Myr
^{54}Mn	K-capture	312 days
	β^+	400 Myr
	β^-	0.8 Myr b
^{55}Fe	K-capture	2.7 yr
^{56}Ni	K-capture	6.1 days
	β^+	~ 1 yr
^{57}Co	K-capture	270 days
^{59}Ni	K-capture	76000 yr

A. Oliva PhD thesis 2007

Measurement is conducted at AMS-02 @ISS since 2011

<https://ams02.space/>



With the unprecedented statistics of ~ 240 billion events we have precise spectroscopy of all cosmic ray nuclei.

A. Oliva, talk in CRs and vs in MME conference, 2024



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Review Article

Cosmic-Ray Propagation and Interactions in the Galaxy

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Starting with the heaviest primary nucleus considered (e.g. ⁶⁴Ni) the propagation solution is used to compute the source term for its spallation products, which are then propagated in turn, and so on down to protons, secondary electrons and positrons, and antiprotons. In this way secondaries, tertiaries etc. are included. (Production of ¹⁰B via the ¹⁰Be-decay channel is important and requires a second iteration of this procedure.) GALPROP includes K-capture and electron stripping processes, where a nucleus with an electron (H-like) is considered a separate species because of the difference in the lifetime. Since H-like atoms have only one K-shell electron, the K-capture decay half-life has to be increased by a factor of 2 compared to the measured half-life value. Primary electrons are treated

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Orbital electron capture decay of hydrogen- and helium-like ions

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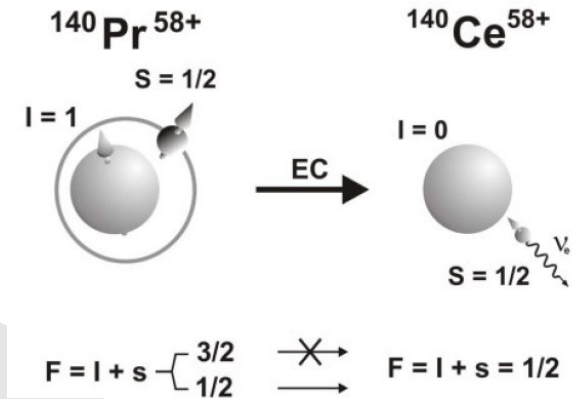
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Measured H-, He- ¹⁴⁰Pr at GSI

Litvinov+, PRL, 2007



Ion	λ_{β^+} (sec ⁻¹)	λ_{EC} (sec ⁻¹)
¹⁴⁰ Pr ⁵⁹⁺	0.001 58(8)	...
¹⁴⁰ Pr ⁵⁸⁺	0.001 61(10)	0.002 19(6)
¹⁴⁰ Pr ⁵⁷⁺	0.001 54(11)	0.001 47(7)

Factor 2/3



Orbital EC in H-like & He-like ions

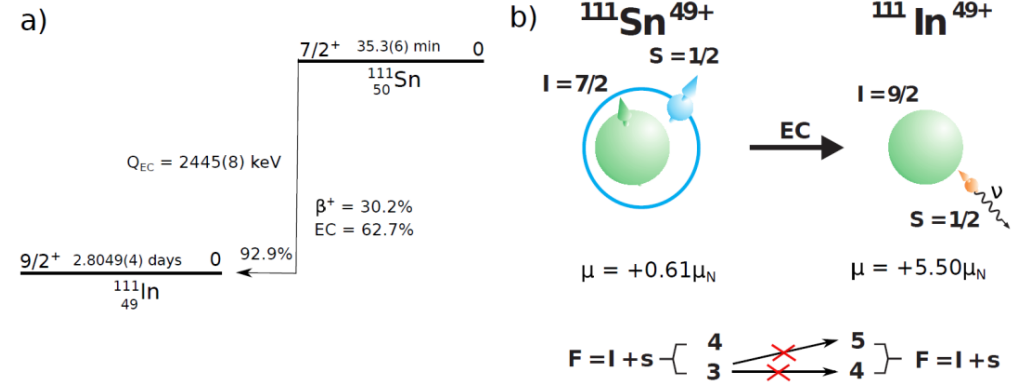
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Suggested nuclei to be studied experimentally

H-like ion	$I_i^{\pi_i} \rightarrow I_f^{\pi_f}$	μ/μ_N	δE (eV)	$\tau_{1/2}$	$T_{1/2}$
^{19}Ne	$\frac{1}{2}^+ \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^+$	-1.89	0.004	3 d	17.3 s
^{37}Ar	$\frac{3}{2}^+ \rightarrow \frac{3}{2}^+$	+1.15	0.01	10 h	35 d
^{64}Cu	$1^+ \rightarrow 0^+$	-0.22	0.009	7 h	12.7 h
^{68}Ga	$1^+ \rightarrow 0^+$	+0.01	0.001	5 yr	67.7 min
^{71}Ge	$\frac{1}{2}^- \rightarrow \frac{3}{2}^-$	+0.55	0.041	12 min	11.2 d
^{108}Ag	$1^+ \rightarrow 0^+$	+2.69	0.53	0.24 s	2.37 min
^{131}Cs	$\frac{5}{2}^+ \rightarrow \frac{3}{2}^+$	+3.54	0.98	31 ms	9.69 d
^{141}Nd	$\frac{3}{2}^+ \rightarrow \frac{5}{2}^+$	+1.01	0.43	0.4 s	2.5 h
^{178}Ta	$1^+ \rightarrow 0^+$	+2.74	2.87	1.6 ms	9.31 min

Cosmic Ray

Decay by EC is not allowed!

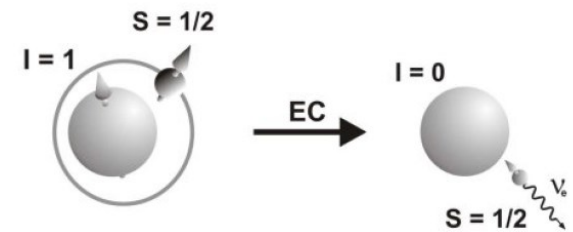


Standard theory of EC:
overlap of nuclear &
electron wave functions

$$F^\pm = |I \pm 1/2|$$

$\mu > 0$	$\mu < 0$	$\mu < 0$
$F^+ \text{ --- }$	$F^- \text{ --- }$	$1/2 \text{ --- }$
$F^- \text{ --- }$	$F^+ \text{ --- }$	$3/2 \text{ --- } \times$

$^{64}\text{Cu}^{28+}$ 44% EC $^{64}\text{Ni}^{28+}$



$F=1/2$



EC decay of Li-like ions for PNC test

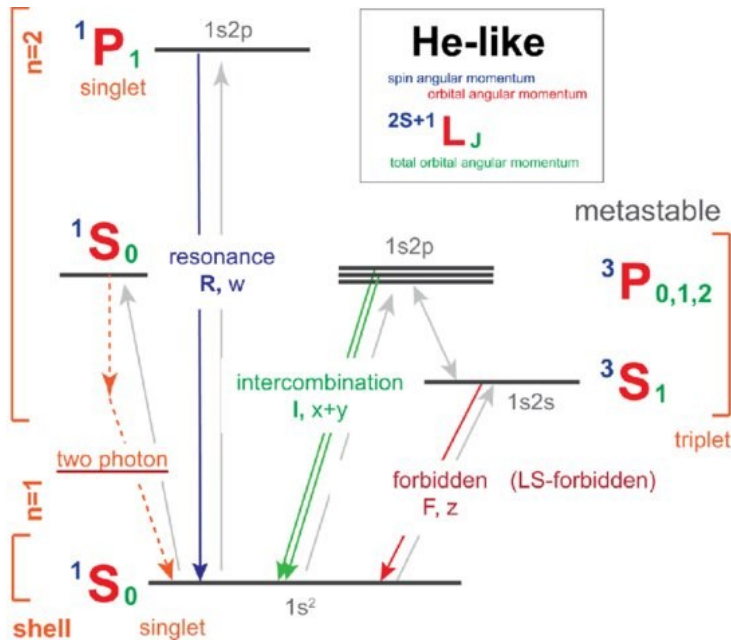
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Nuclear electron capture in Li-like ions

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Decay of the $1S_0$ can be very accurately calculated (QED)
 --> Suggested for Parity Non-Conservation test



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For allowed EC $I \rightarrow I \pm 1$

$$\frac{P_0}{P_1} = \frac{2I + 1}{2(I \pm 1) + 1}$$

TABLE I. The ratio of probabilities P_0/P_1 that the lithium-like ion decays into the excited states 2^1S_0 and 2^3S_1 of the helium-like ion. The ratio is calculated for two types of EC decays $I \rightarrow I \pm 1$.

I_i	$\frac{P_0}{P_1}$ $I \rightarrow I - 1$	$\frac{P_0}{P_1}$ $I \rightarrow I + 1$
0		$\frac{1}{3}$
$\frac{1}{2}$		$\frac{1}{2}$
1	3	$\frac{3}{5}$
$\frac{3}{2}$	2	$\frac{2}{3}$
...
∞	1	1



HINA experiment @DESIR: What? Why? How?



Decay highly charged light ions

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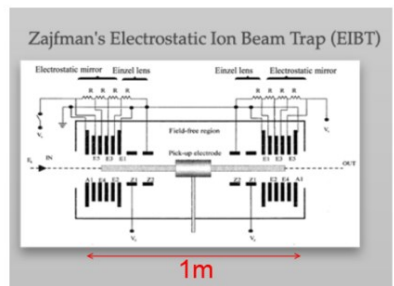
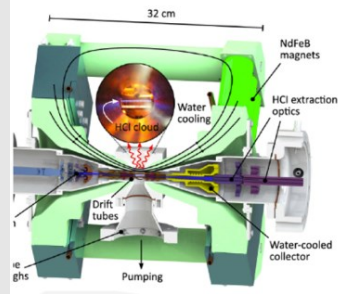
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EC on H-,He-&Li-like ions
Nuclear physics, CR & PNC?

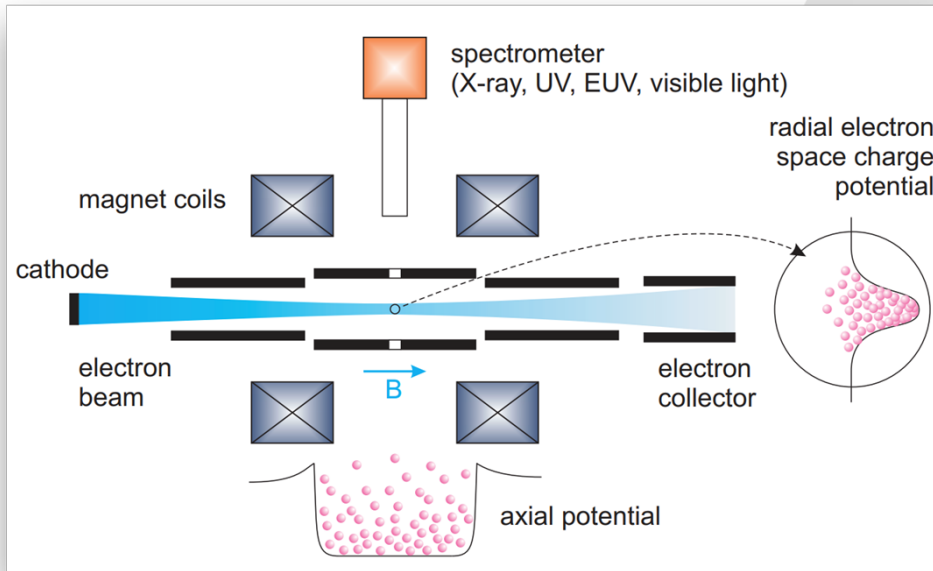
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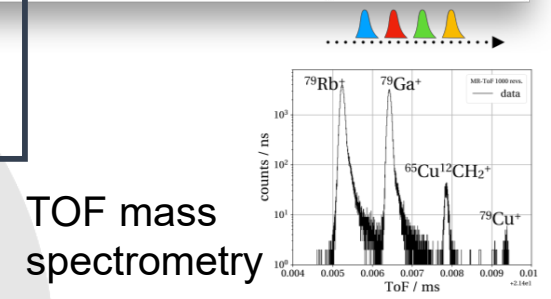
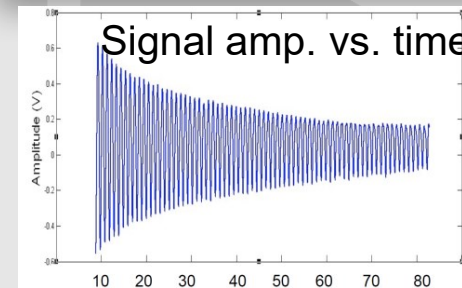
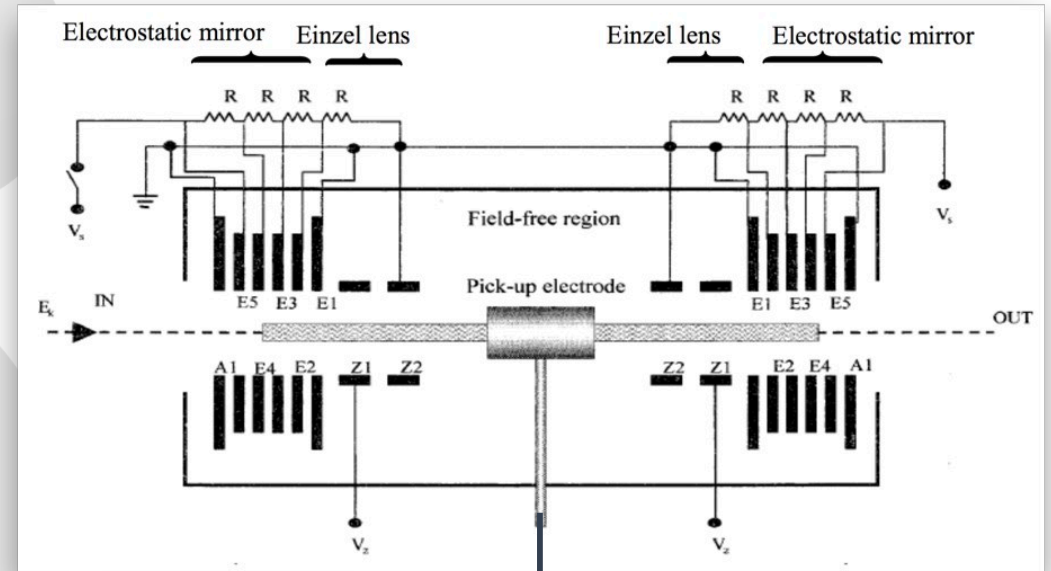
Electron Beam Ion Trap (EBIT)

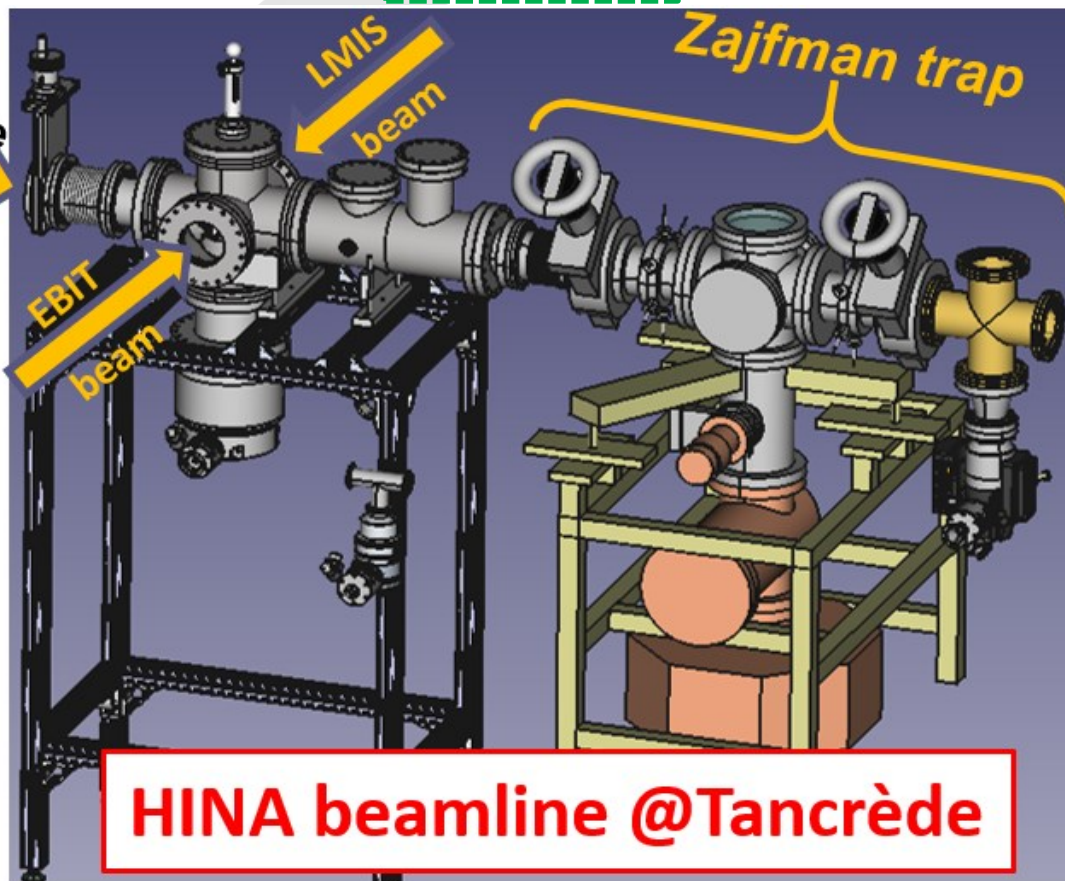
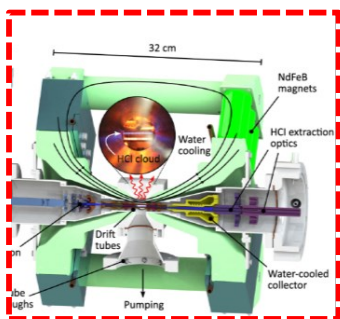
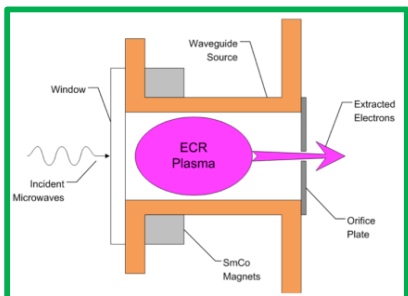
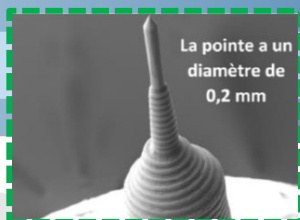


In-situ X-ray spectroscopy

Reference measurement with stable beam

Zajfman's Electrostatic Ion Beam Trap (EIBT)





Experimental setup at IJClab:

Validation of production and trapping of HCl^s

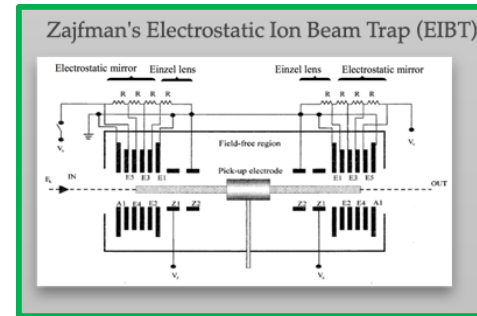
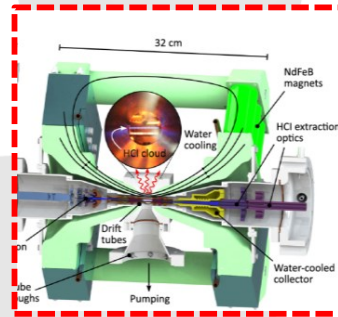
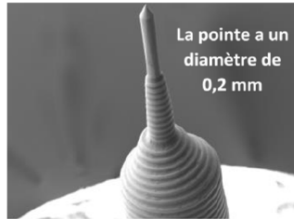
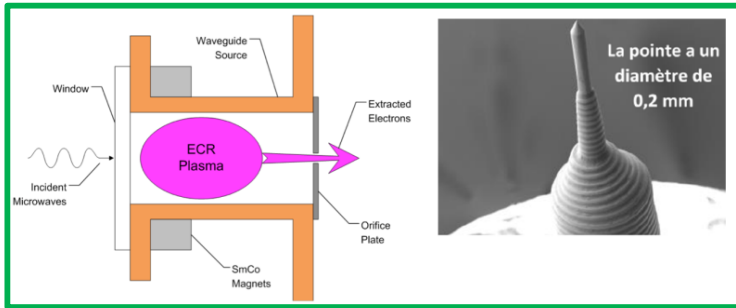


Tools under development

Production (ECR/LMIS)

Charge Breeding

Trapping observation



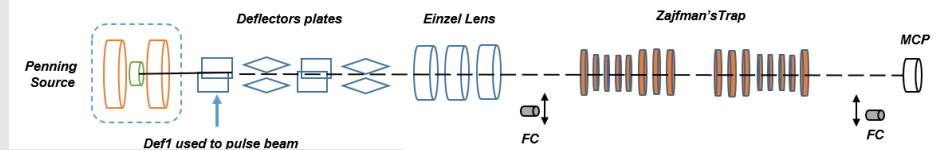
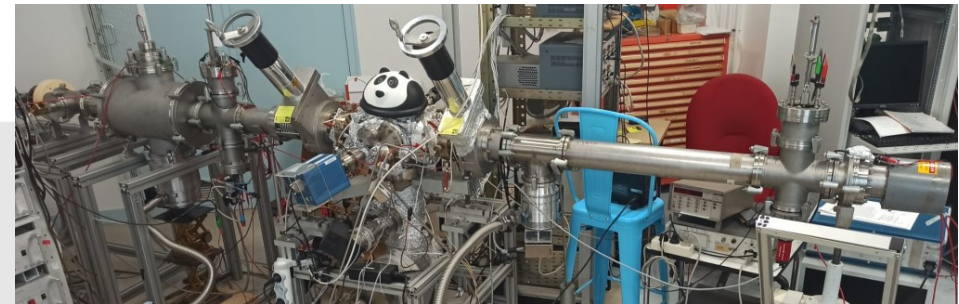
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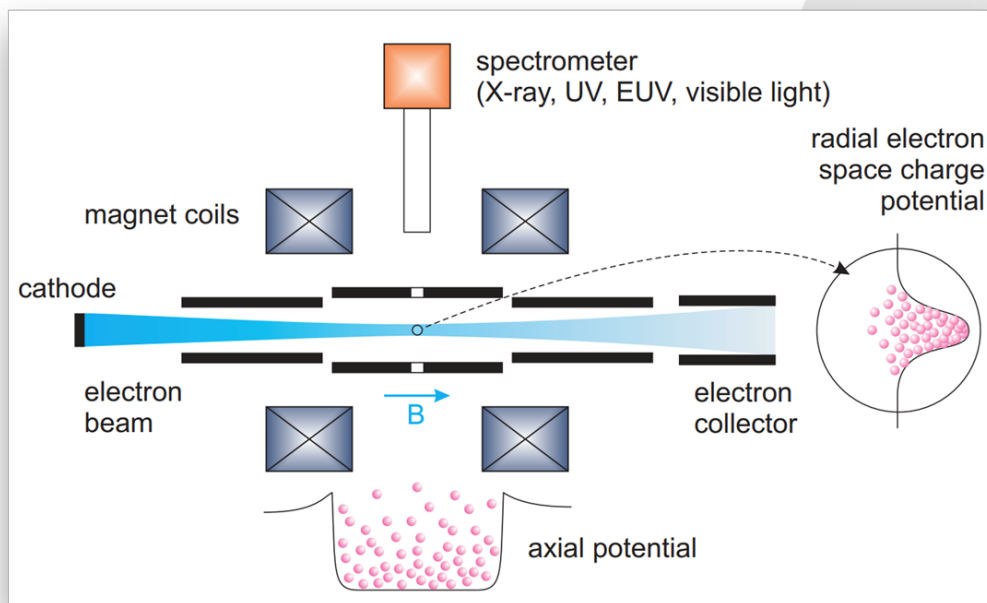
Cu beam is under development

Simulations:
 Injection optics
 Emittance acceptance
 In-trap spectroscopy

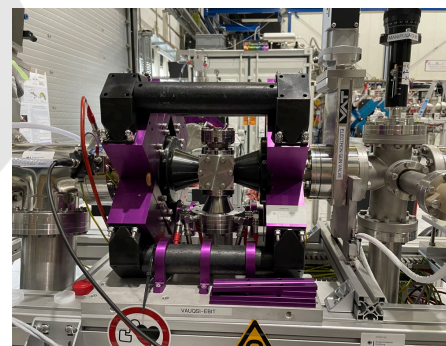




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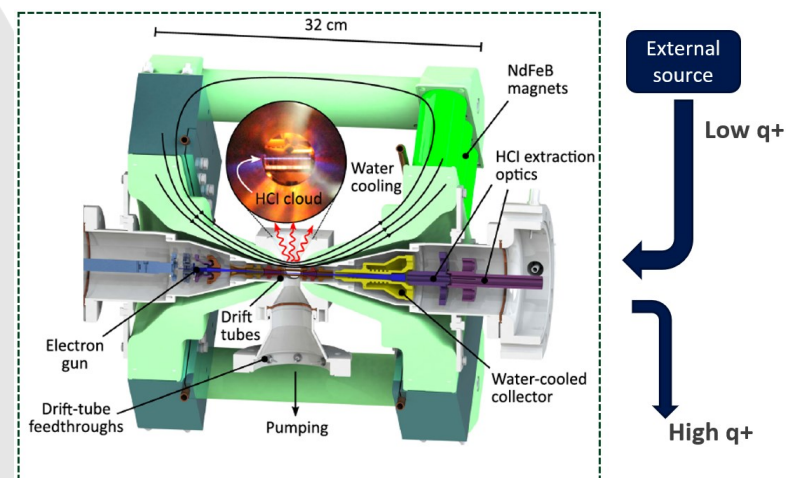
Collaboration with the Max-Planck Institut f r Kernphysik (MPIK)



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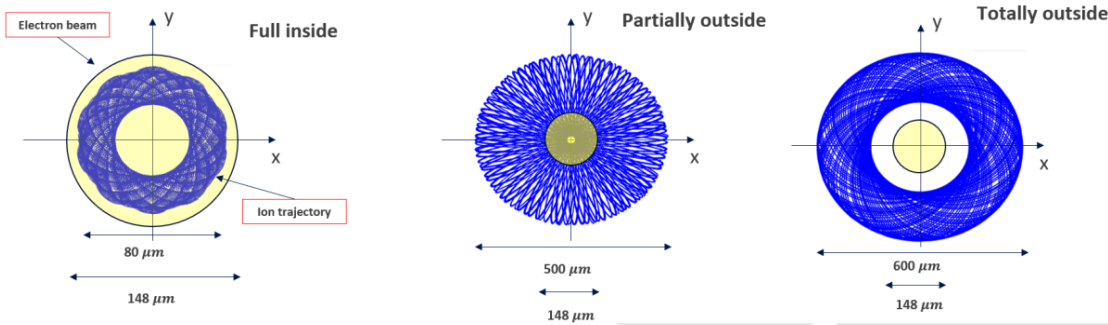
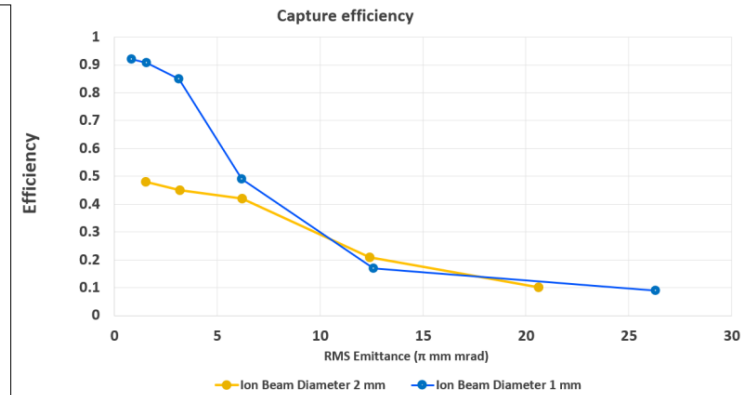
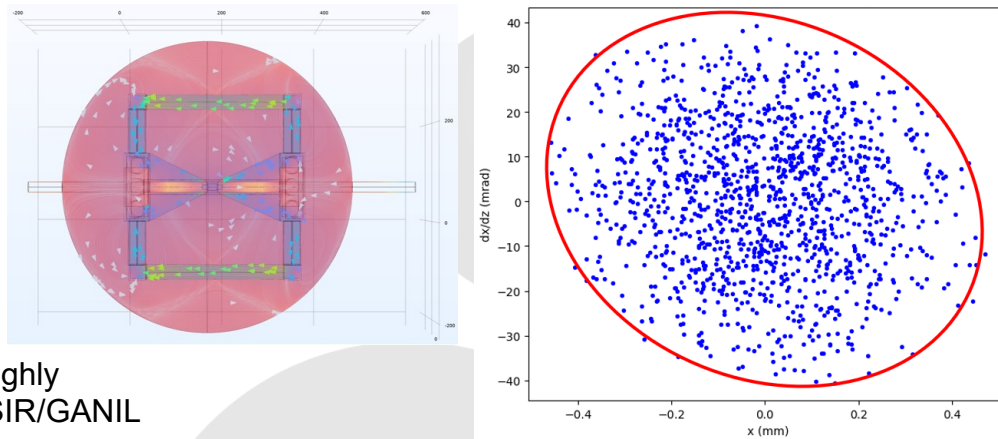


Simulation studies for the EBIT acceptance



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Mission : Development of highly charged ions physics at DESIR/GANIL



The EBIT acceptance depends on several variables:

- electron beam and the magnetic field
- Energy of the ion beam before injection **20 keV**

Electron beam: $I_e = 0.08$ A , $E_e = 10$ keV

Magnetic field: $B = 0.86$ T

RMS Emittance (ϵ_{RMS}) in x & y about 3.7 π mm·mrad
Effective emittance ϵ_{eff} : $\epsilon_{eff} = 4 \cdot \epsilon_{RMS} = 14.8 \pi$ mm·mrad

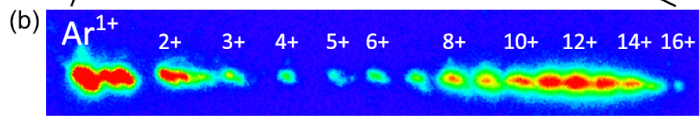
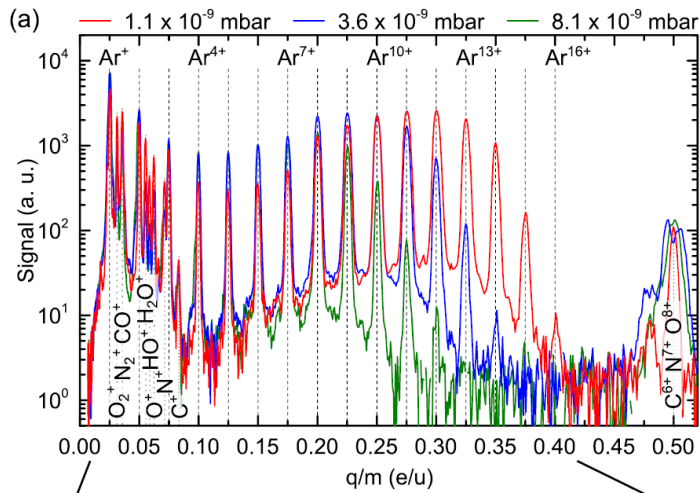


Towards in-situ X-ray spectroscopy (preliminary!)

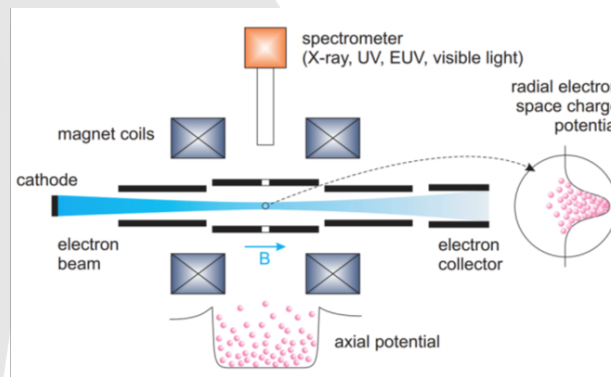
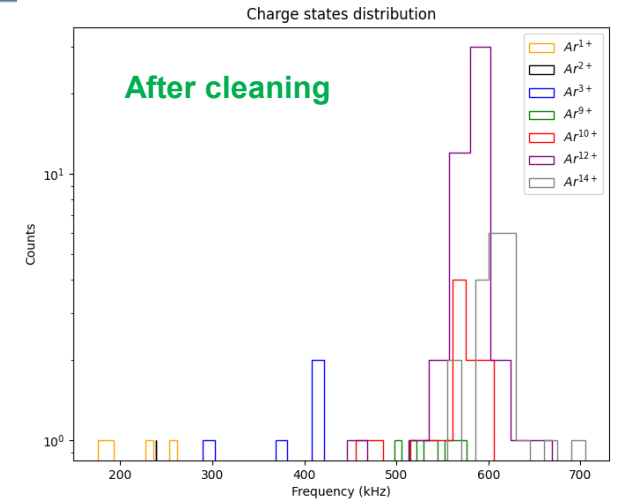
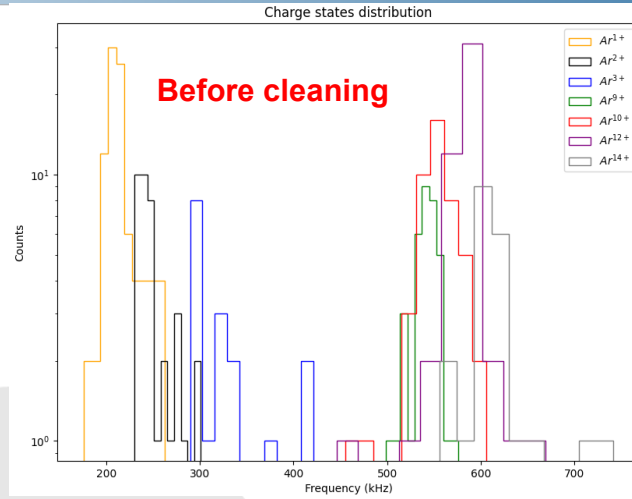


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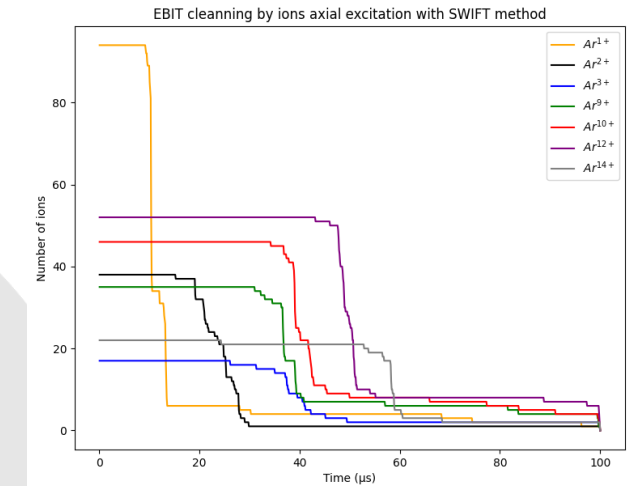
Michele Sguazzin



Micke et al, Rev. Sci. Instrum. 89, 063109 (2018):
Electron gun operation: 4mA, 2.8keV

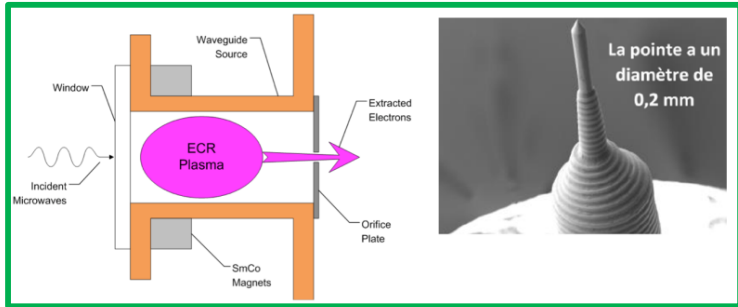


Cleaning: SWIFT method
(Stored Waveform Inverse Fourier Transform)
M. Wiesel, PhD thesis (TUD) 2017

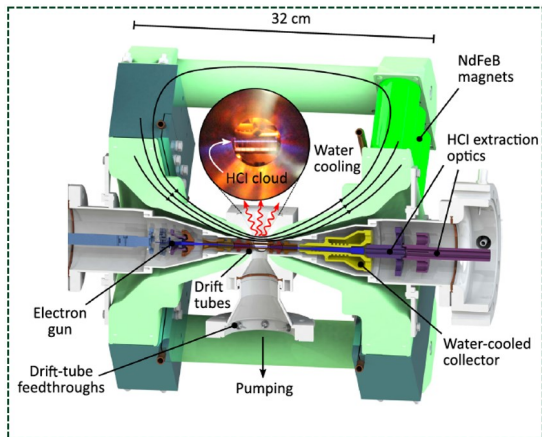




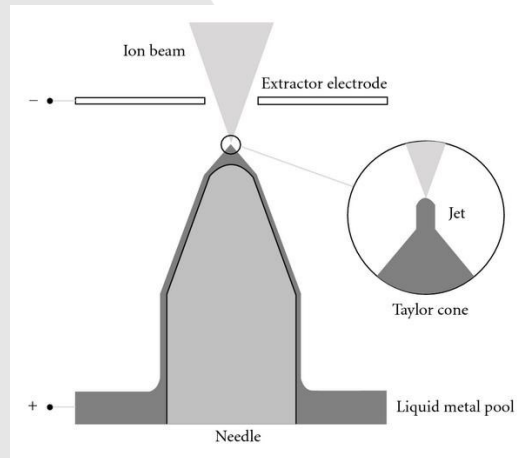
Ion sources @IJCLab for the EBIT injection



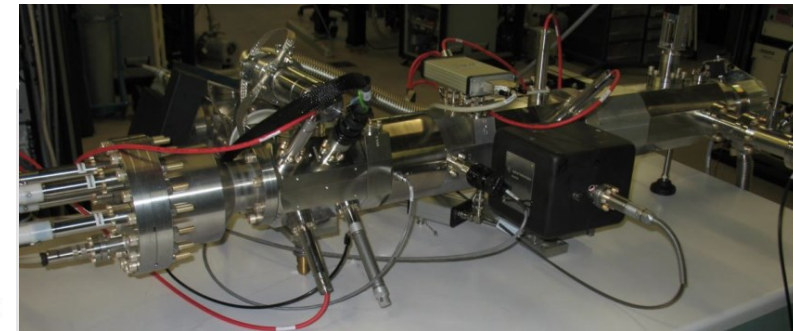
@20keV
ECR ~40 π mm·mrad LMIS < 10 π mm·mrad



External source
Low q+
High q+



NAPIS (NAParticle Ion Source)
Available at Tancrede/IJCLab



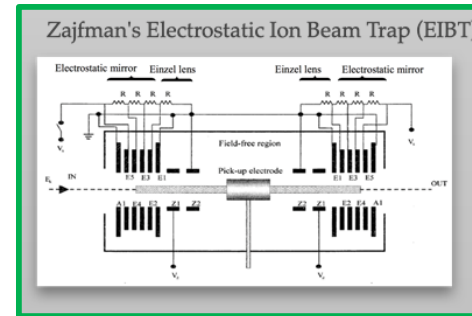
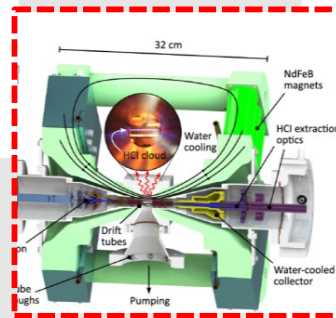
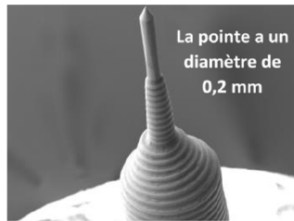
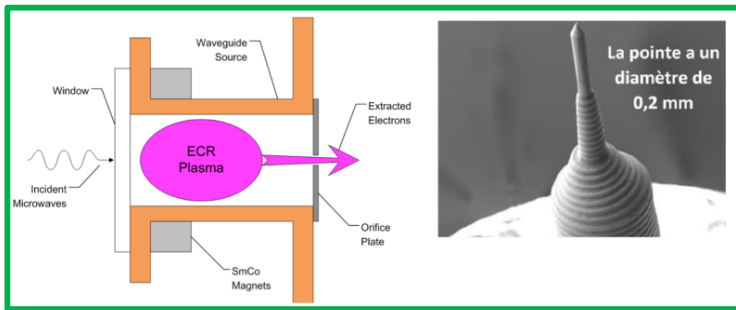


Tools under development

Production (ECR/LMIS)

Charge Breeding

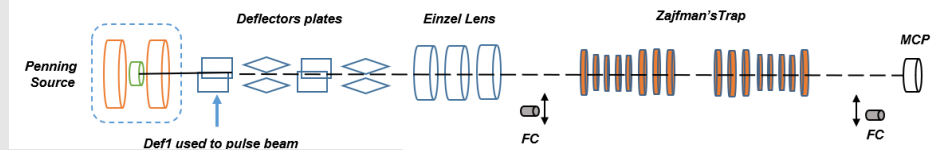
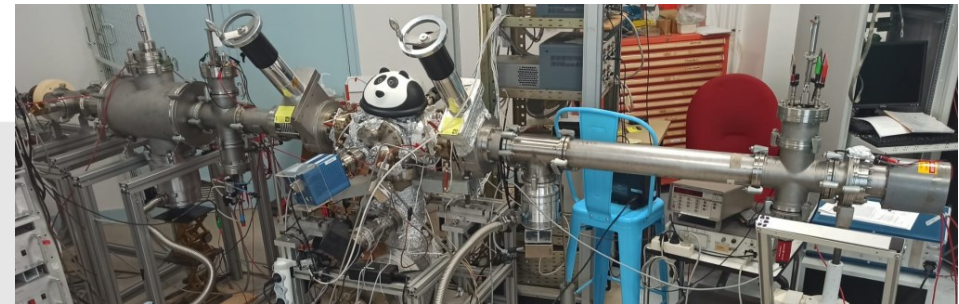
Trapping observation



	H-like ion	$I_i^{\pi_i} \rightarrow I_f^{\pi_f}$
ECR	^{19}Ne	$\frac{1}{2}^+ \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}^+$
	^{37}Ar	$\frac{3}{2}^+ \rightarrow \frac{3}{2}^+$
LMIS	^{64}Cu	$1^+ \rightarrow 0^+$
	^{68}Ga	$1^+ \rightarrow 0^+$

Cu beam is under development

Simulations:
 Injection optics
 Emittance acceptance
 In-trap spectroscopy



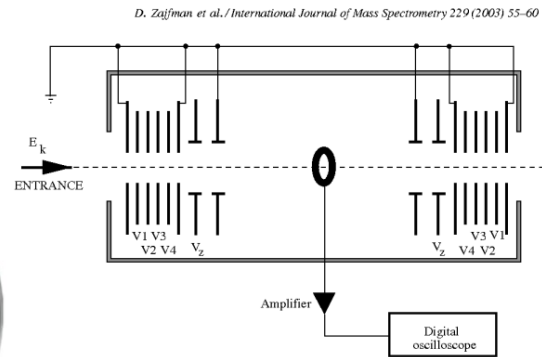


Optimization of the Zajfman trap



Maroua Benhatchi
PhD student IJCLab/CNRS-in2p3
Dec.2023-present
Mission : Development in-trap decay in Zajfman trap

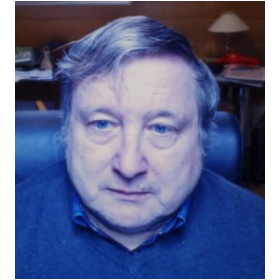
Data analysis ongoing
Electronics DAQ
underdevelopment



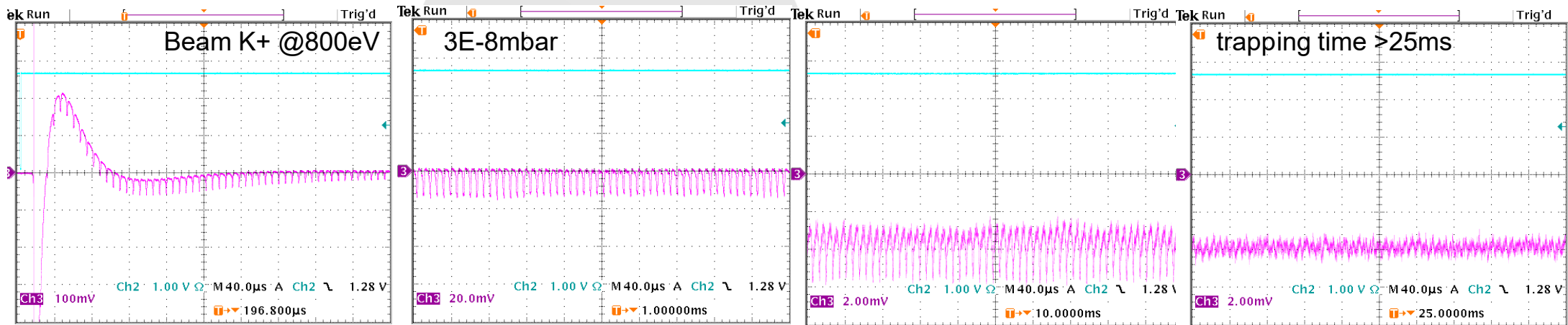
Collaboration with the Max-Planck Institut f r Kernphysik (MPIK)



Klaus Blaum

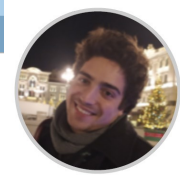


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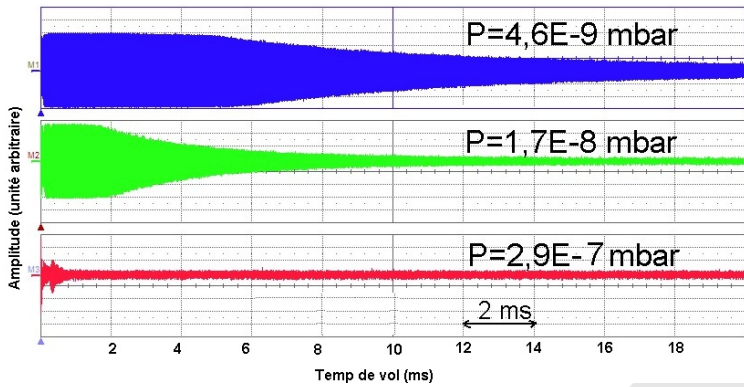




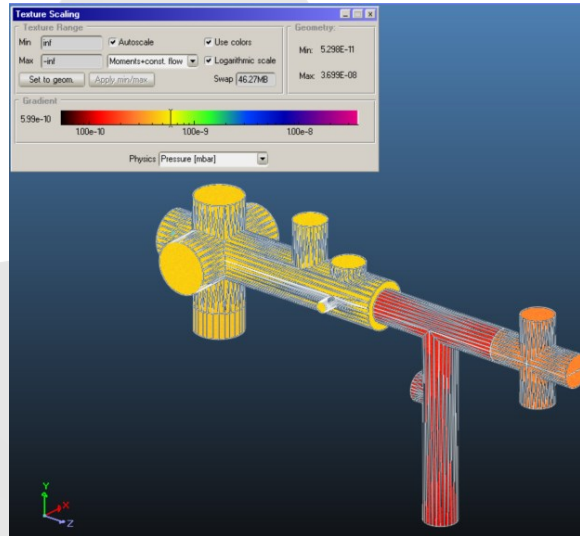
Trapping HCl: UHV issue



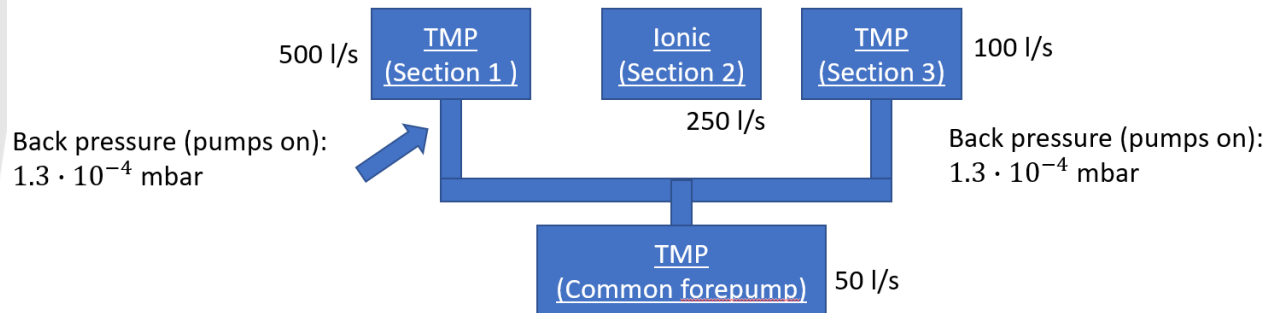
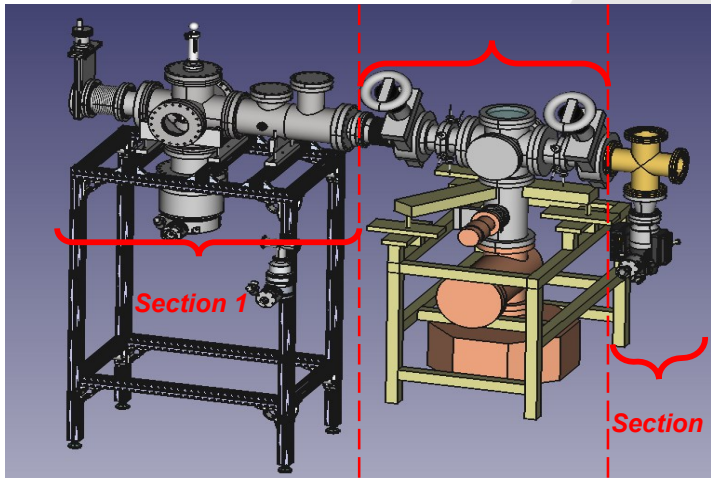
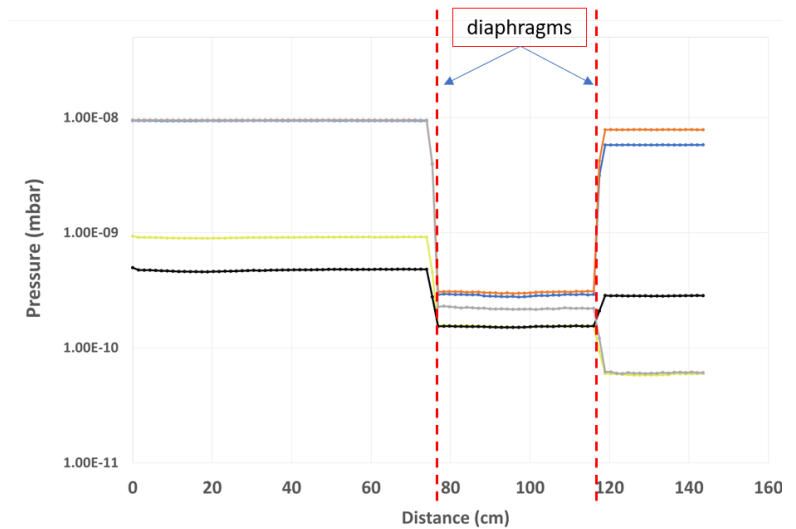
Trapping of A_r^{11+} ions @LKB

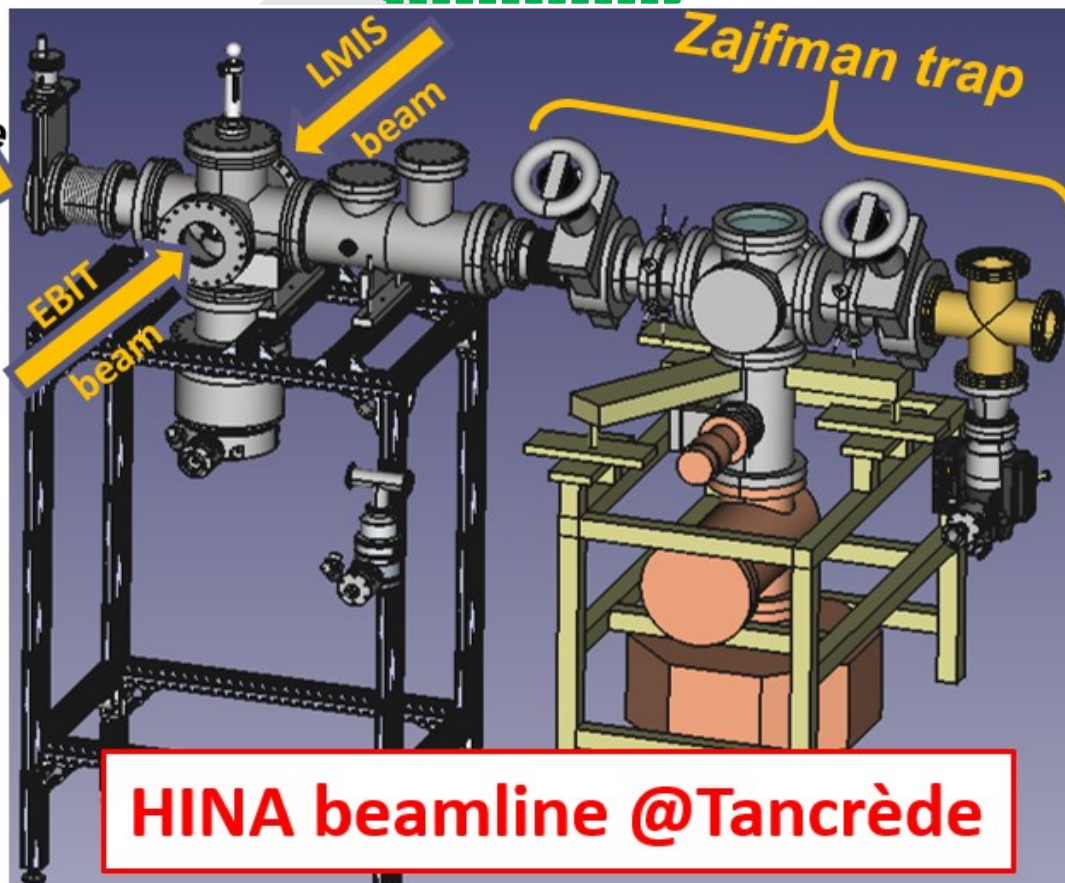
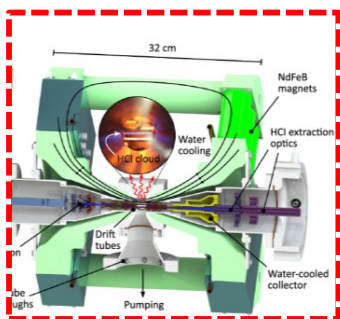
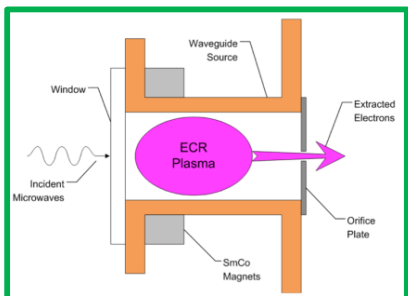
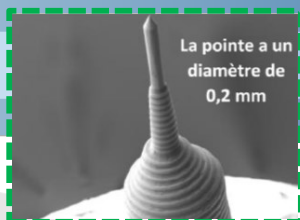


Section 2



Partial pressure of H_2





Experimental setup at IJClab:

Validation of production and trapping of HCl_s



HINA and her followers

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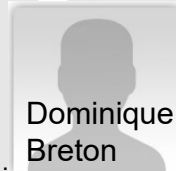
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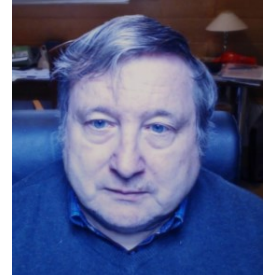
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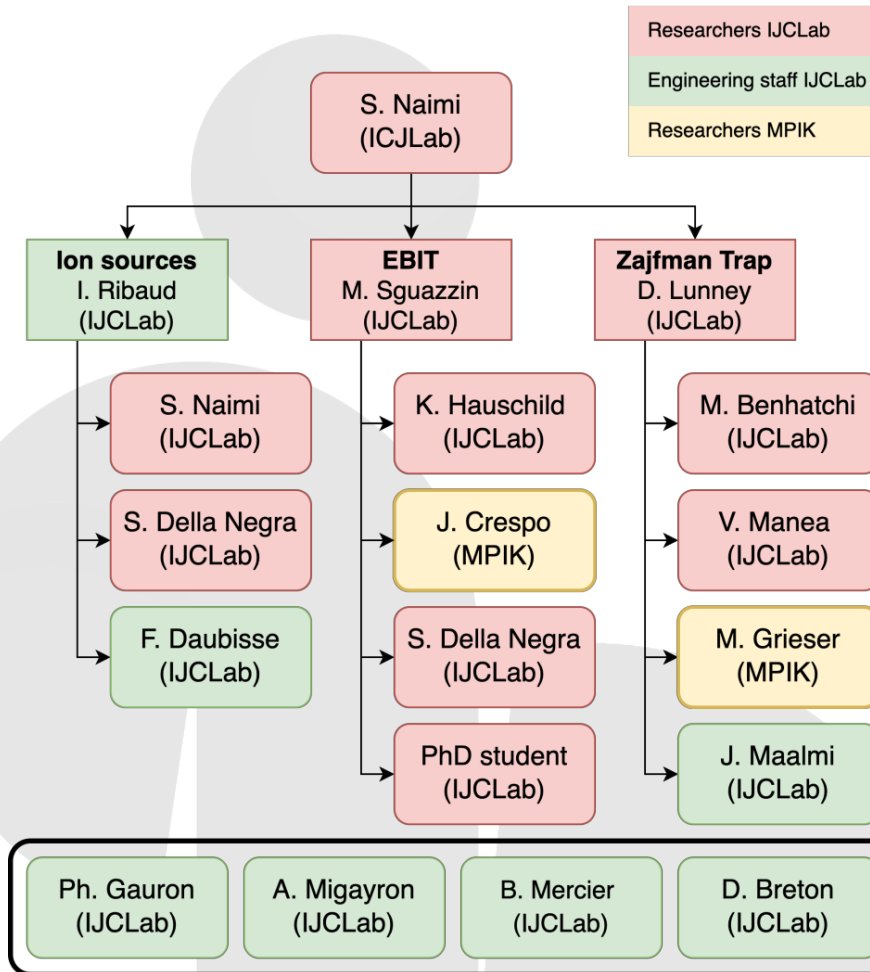
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Sophie, Amelle, Sarah
Damien, Maxime



HINA project R&D working groups





HINA plan @IJCLab

Year	2023					2024				2025				2026				2027			
Quarter	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4				
Preparation																					
Simulations & Design	[Blue bar]																				
HINA beamline preparation			[Blue bar]																		
Commissining of the Zajfman trap			[Blue bar]																		
Preparation HINA setup									[Target]												
Ion sources																					
Production ECR Ar(q+)			[Orange bar]																		
Production LMIS Cu+							[Orange bar]														
ToF spectra at Zajfman trap													[Target]								
EBIT																					
Construction/validation at MPIK											[Green bar]										
Installation at Tancrede/Validation														[Green bar]							
x-ray signal HCl's Ar,Cu,Ga(q+)																	[Target]				
Zajfman trap																					
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Achieve UHV (<1E-9mbar)													[Target]								
Trapping ECR produced Ar(q+)										[Green bar]											
Trapping LMIS produced Ga,Cu(q+)														[Green bar]							
Estimate losses Ar,Cu,Ga(q+)																		[Target]			
Other financial support/request																					

->ERM2024 funding <-

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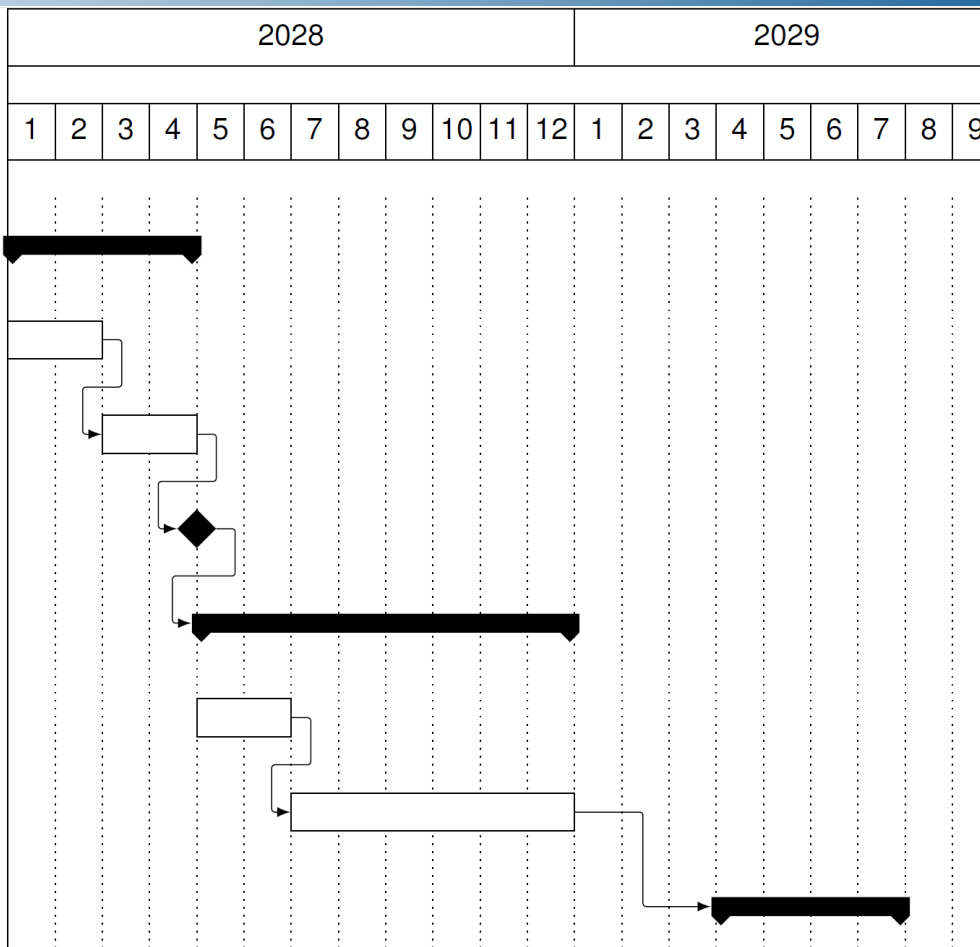
<--ANR?



Installation and commissioning at GANIL

Requirement: isobaric purity

Technical support needed @GANIL (not full time!)



Postdoc & PhD student @GANIL

Scientific interest



Franois de oliveira GANIL

H-like ion $I_i^{\pi_i} \rightarrow I_f^{\pi_f}$





Some key numbers

Isobaric purification:

$$^{19}\text{F} / ^{19}\text{Ne} \delta m/m \approx 5,000$$

$$^{37}\text{Ar} / ^{37}\text{Cl} \delta m/m \approx 42,000$$

$$^{64}\text{Cu} / ^{64}\text{Ni} \delta m/m \approx 35,000$$

$$^{68}\text{Ga} / ^{68}\text{Zn} \delta m/m \approx 22,000$$

Yield:

$$^{19}\text{Ne} \text{ production @SPIRAL1 LEB: } 1.8 \cdot 10^8 \text{ pps}$$

$$^{37}\text{Ar} \text{ estimate @SPIRAL1 LEB: } 9.1 \cdot 10^7 \text{ pps}$$

$$^{64}\text{Cu} \text{ estimate @SPIRAL1 LEB: } 4 \cdot 10^6 \text{ pps}$$

$$^{68}\text{Ga} \text{ production @SPIRAL1 LEB: } 9.4 \cdot 10^5 \text{ pps}$$

Emittance acceptance HINA @30keV:

$$\text{HINA exp. } \epsilon_{\text{RMS}} \approx 3 \pi \text{ mm}\cdot\text{mrad}$$

$$\text{DESIR-GPIB } \epsilon_{\text{RMS}} \approx 1.2 \pi \text{ mm}\cdot\text{mrad}$$

Bunched mode:

$$\text{DESIR-GPIB: } 10^5 \text{ ions/bunch}$$

$$\text{Efficiency 0.1 for } ^{19}\text{Ne} (T_{1/2} = 17\text{s})$$

--> 10 events in 25ms

-->100 events in 250ms

Others:

HV platform

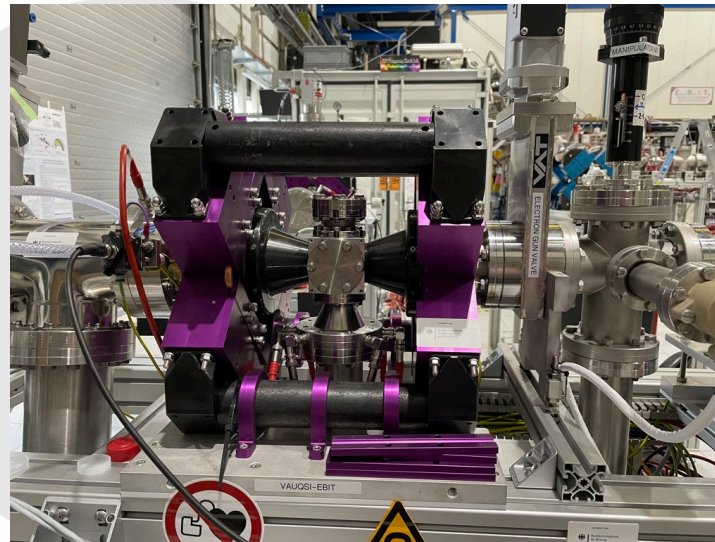
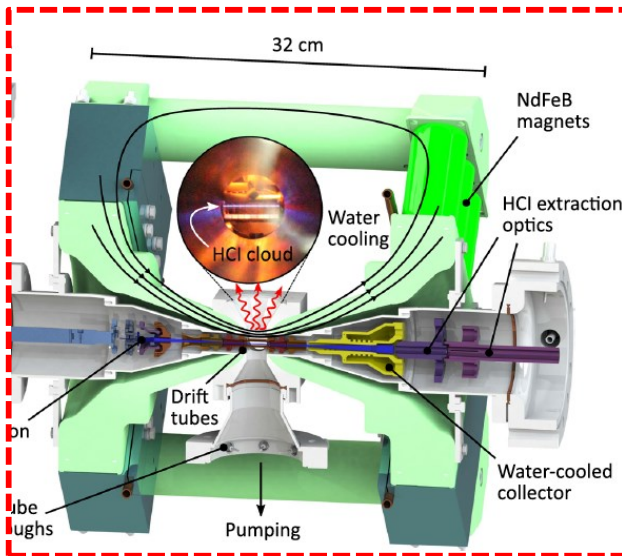
Cooling water



Financial support requested

Year	2025-2026	2027	2028-2029	Total (k�)
Equipments (k�)	223.5	0	0	223.5
Consumables (k�)	0	8	20	28
Postdoc (k�)	0	0	150	150
Total/an (k�)	223.5	8	170	401.5

+travel fees for a researcher from IJCLab



Other financial support:
2024: Paris-Saclay University
2024-2025: IJCLab