

#### AGATA at FAIR

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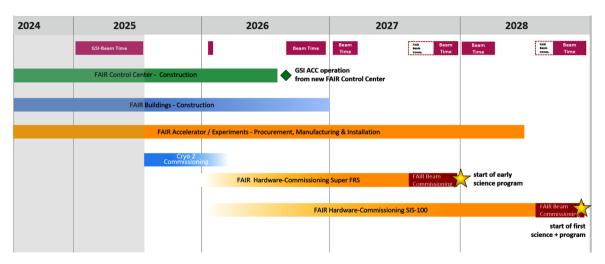


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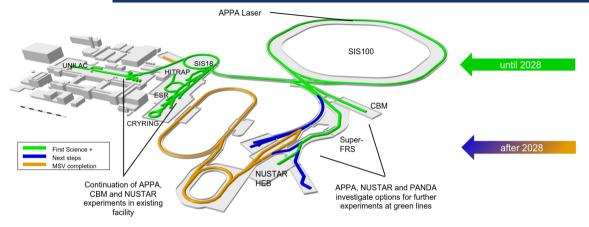


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#### The FAIR timeline



- End of 2028 "First Science": NUSTAR experiments with SIS100 beams at Super-FRS
- S-FRS provides secondary beams to R<sup>3</sup>B, Super-FRS EC, and DESPEC
- Continue experiments at GSI (SHE at UNILAC, ESR, CRYRING)
- AGATA to be installed at the low-energy (LE) branch of Super-FRS





## **NUSTAR** experimental areas





Installation in S-FRS target area





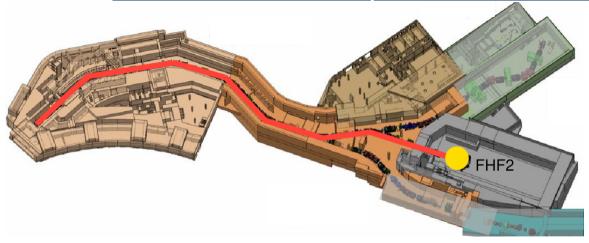
## FRS tunnel



GSI/FAIR, Zeitrausch, https://www.gsi.de/medien-news/mediathek/bilderdatenbank



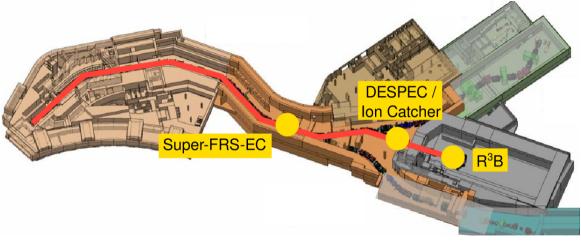
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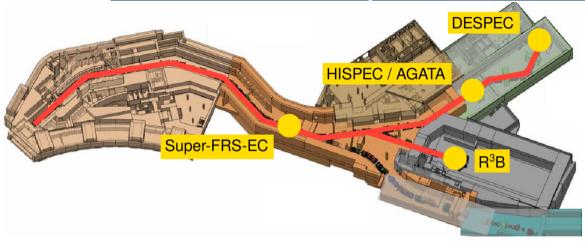
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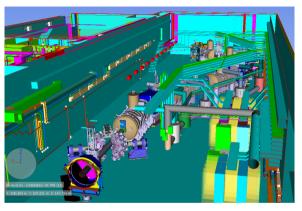
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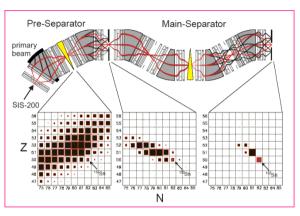


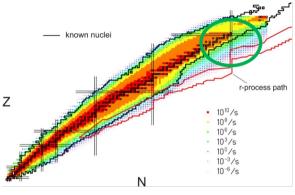


- Low-energy cave
- Building completed, but installation of infrastructure awaits funding decision
- Operation currently planned for First Science++ phase from 2030+

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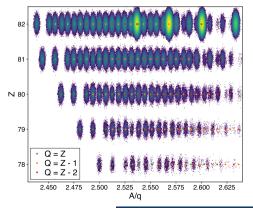




- Two stage separation and identification
- Large reach for many radioactive beams
- Typical required intensities for in-beam spectroscopy 10-100 pps



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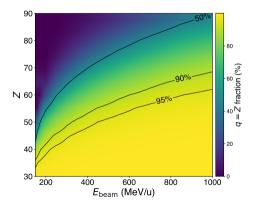


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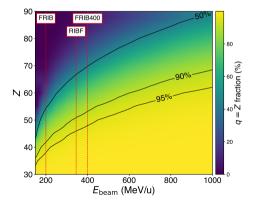
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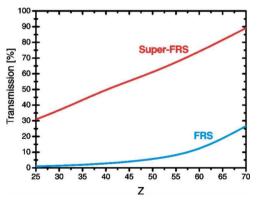
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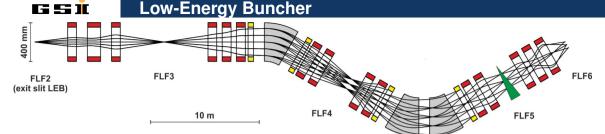


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Phase 0 at GSI	2 · 10 <sup>9</sup>
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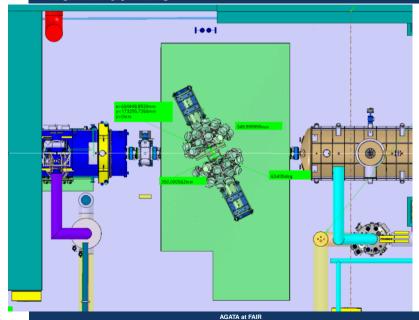


#### Conceptual design with flexible operation

- Secondary target at FLF3
- Large experimental area, about 7 m along the beam line at FLF3
- Large acceptance spectrometer
- 3 dipole magnets with 30° deflection angle, maximum rigidity 7 Tm (about 300 AMeV depending on the species)
- High-resolution / energy buncher mode
- Dispersion matching (main-separator and energy buncher)
- Intermediate focus at focal plane FLF4, LYCCA for particle identification



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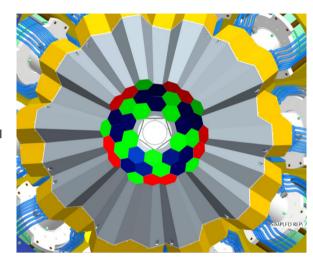


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- Beam rates 100 Hz to 100 kHz
- Beam spot size at secondary target  $\sim$  2 3 cm
- Typical target size 8 × 8 cm<sup>2</sup>
- Fast secondary particles are created
  - → Could damage most forward detectors or lead to dead-time
- Consider acceptance of spectrometer for several beam species
- Exit of target chamber 120 mm beam pipe
- Diameter pentagon 160 mm
- Use doubles at most forward angles around a pentagon
- Need five double cryostats (existing)





## AGATA at FLF3

Double cryostats with a 120 mm beam pipe







## Science program

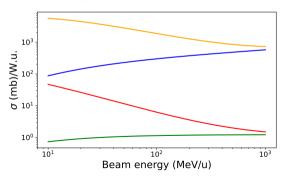


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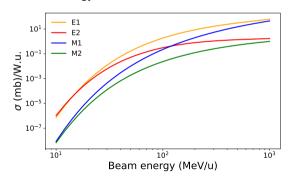
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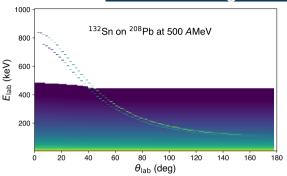


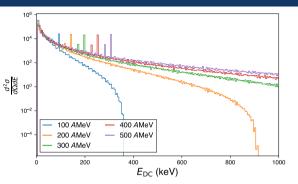
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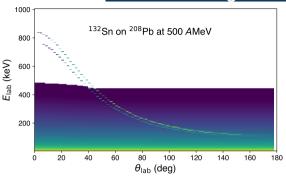


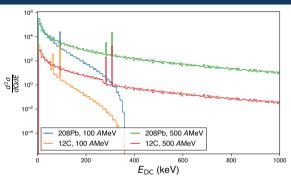
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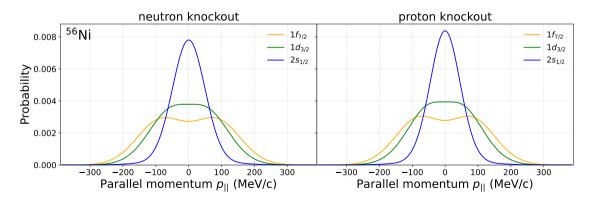
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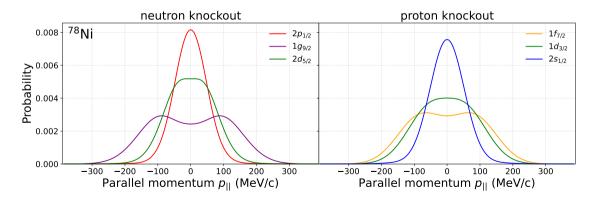
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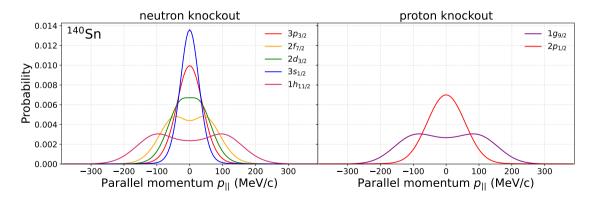
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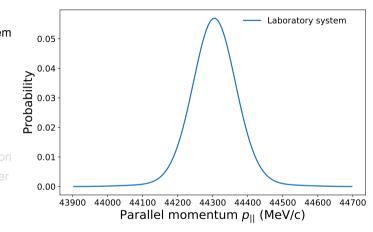
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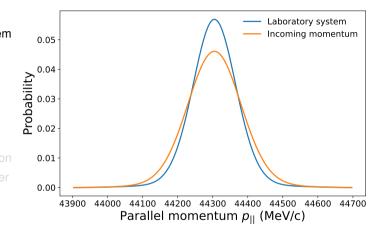


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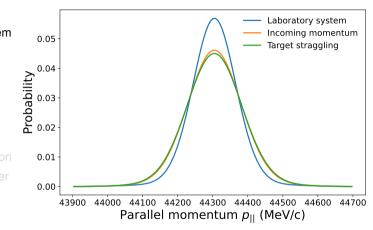


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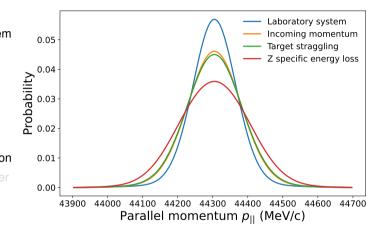


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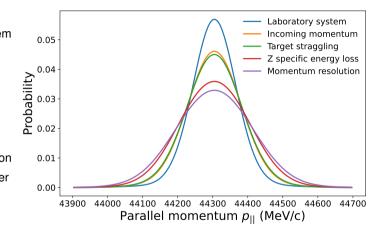


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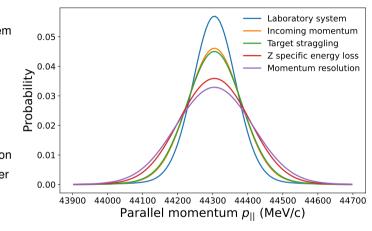


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- Momentum resolution is setup and experiment specific
- Importance of these contributions depend on beam energy, target thickness, and proton number



### **Setups and secondary devices**

#### Resolving power of spectrometer behind secondary target:

- **Z** resolution by  $\Delta E E$
- $\blacksquare$  Mass and A/q resolution including charge states
- $B\rho$  acceptance and momentum resolution ( $\Delta p/p \sim 1/1000$ )
- Total kinetic energy measurement, or transmission to stopped beam experiments

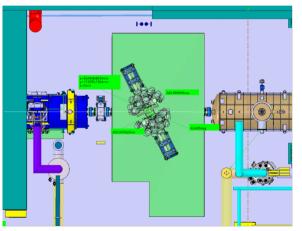
#### Secondary targets:

- Beam line tracking detectors around the target for Doppler correction and scattering angle measurements
- Plunger for lifetime measurements
- Liquid hydrogen target for quasi-free knockout and inelastic scattering
- Active target with vertex reconstruction for lifetime and cross section measurements



## **Summary**

- FAIR civil construction is finished
- Installation of accelerator modules and infrastructure is ongoing
- On the path toward early and first science experiments

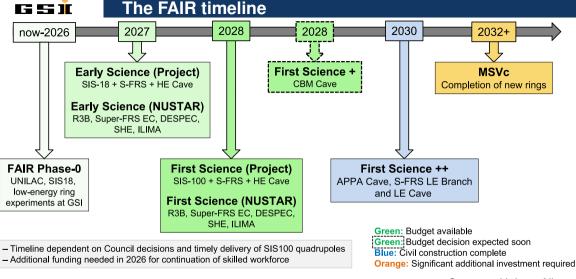


- Low-energy branch including spectrometer now under discussion
- Workshop and discussion with other NUSTAR sub-collaborations at the NUSTAR meeting in Prague
- AGATA needs the low-energy branch and spectrometer and vice-versa

# Thank you for your attention



# Backup



Courtesy Helena Albers

■ AGATA to be installed at the low-energy (LE) branch of Super-FRS



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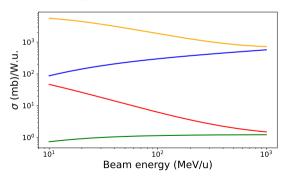


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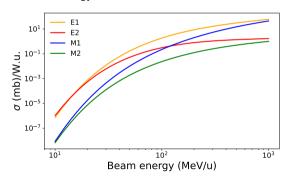
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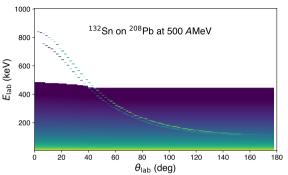


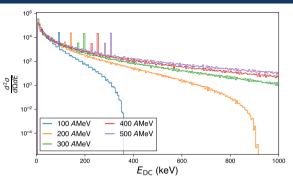
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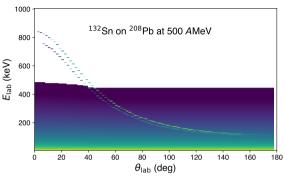


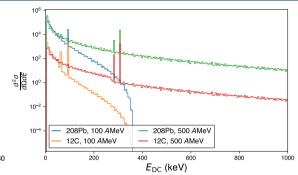
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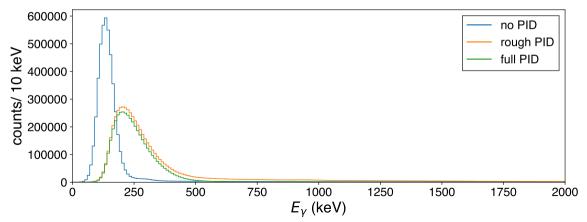
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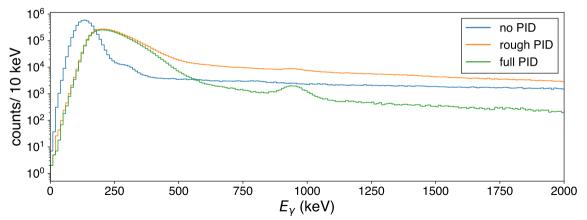
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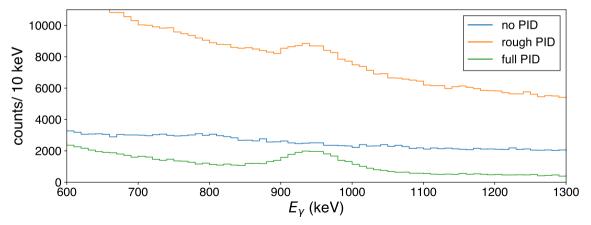
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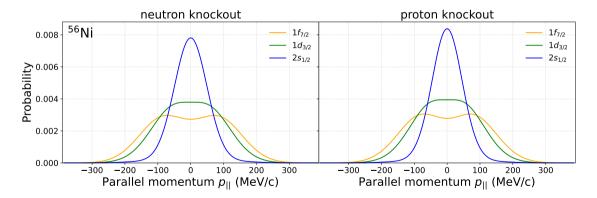


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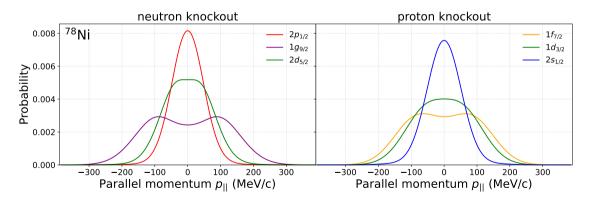
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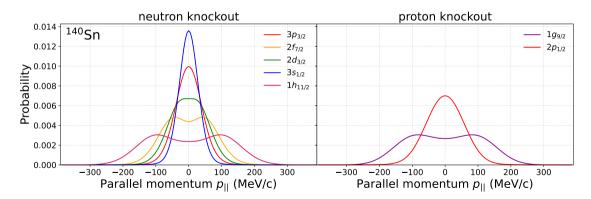
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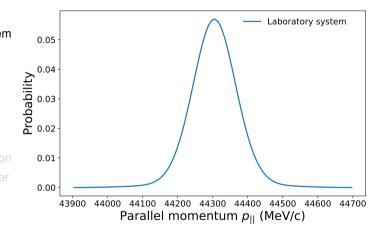
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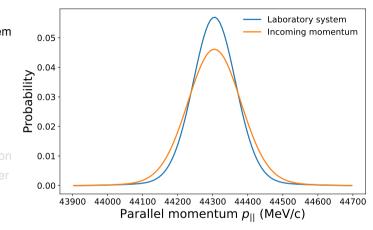


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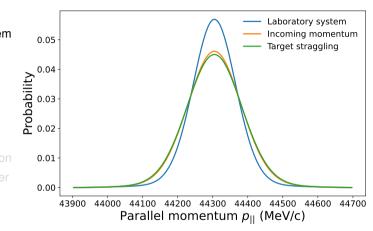


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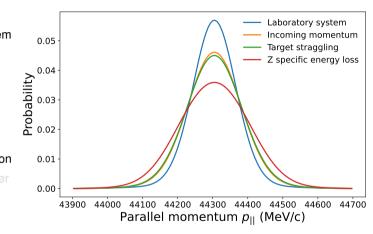


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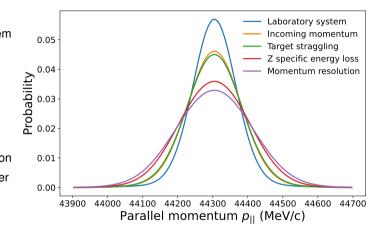


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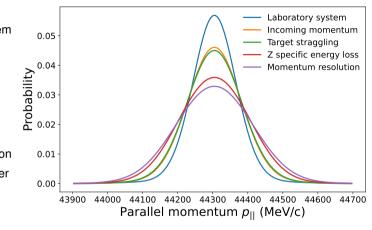


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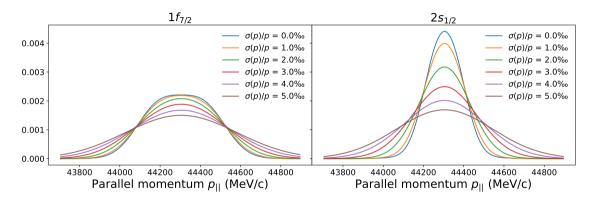
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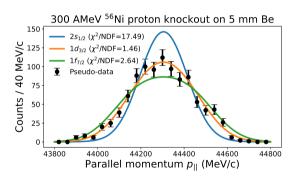


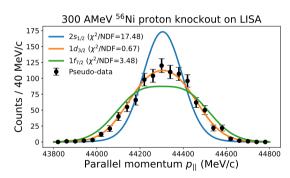
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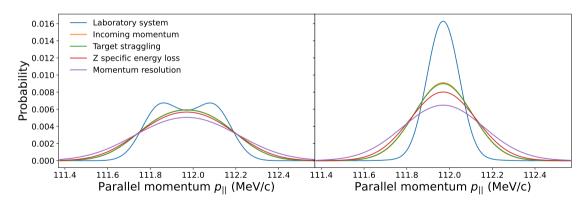






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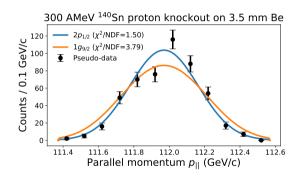


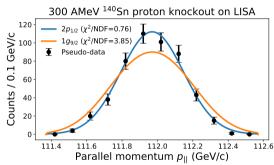
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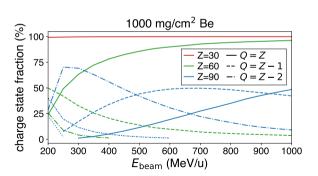


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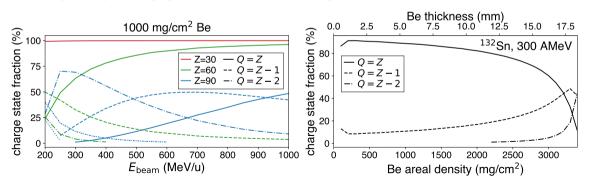


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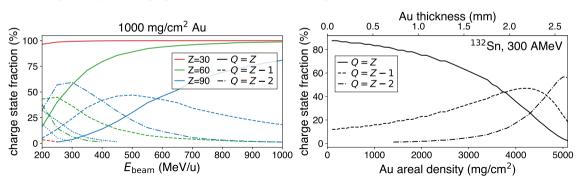


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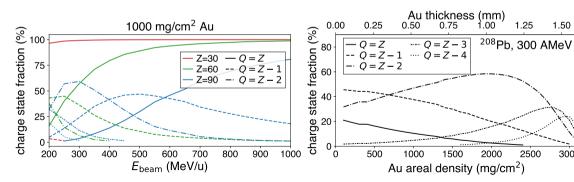


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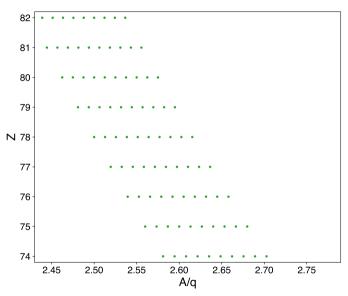
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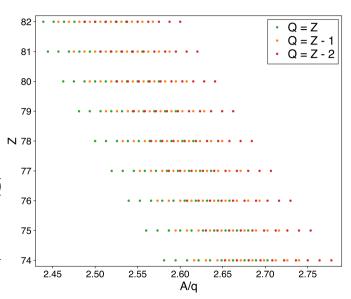
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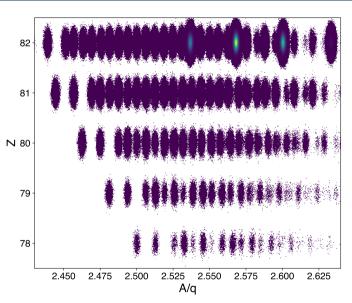
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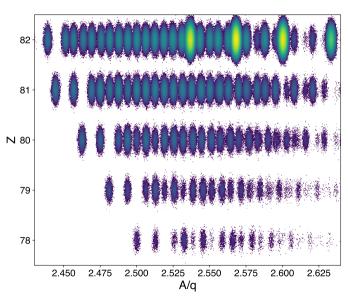
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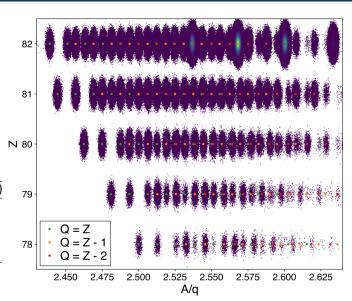
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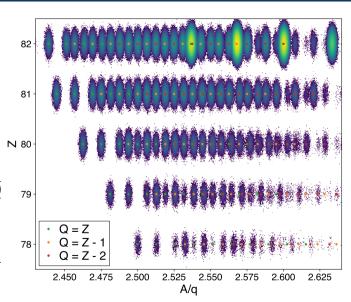
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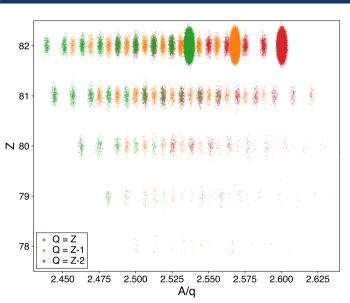
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