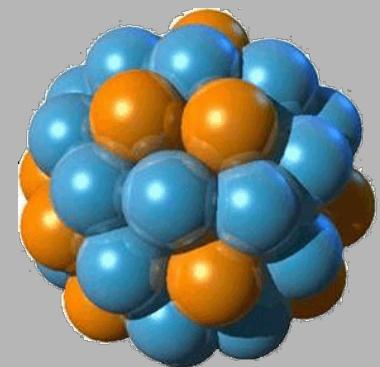


# Nuclear Structure Studies with High-Resolution In-Beam $\gamma$ -Spectroscopy

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- General Introduction
- Introduction to the HR in-beam techniques
- Instrumentation
- Spectroscopy Studies and Nuclear Reactions



Counts

300  
200  
100  
0

500 1000 1500 2000

Energy (keV)

1280  
1372

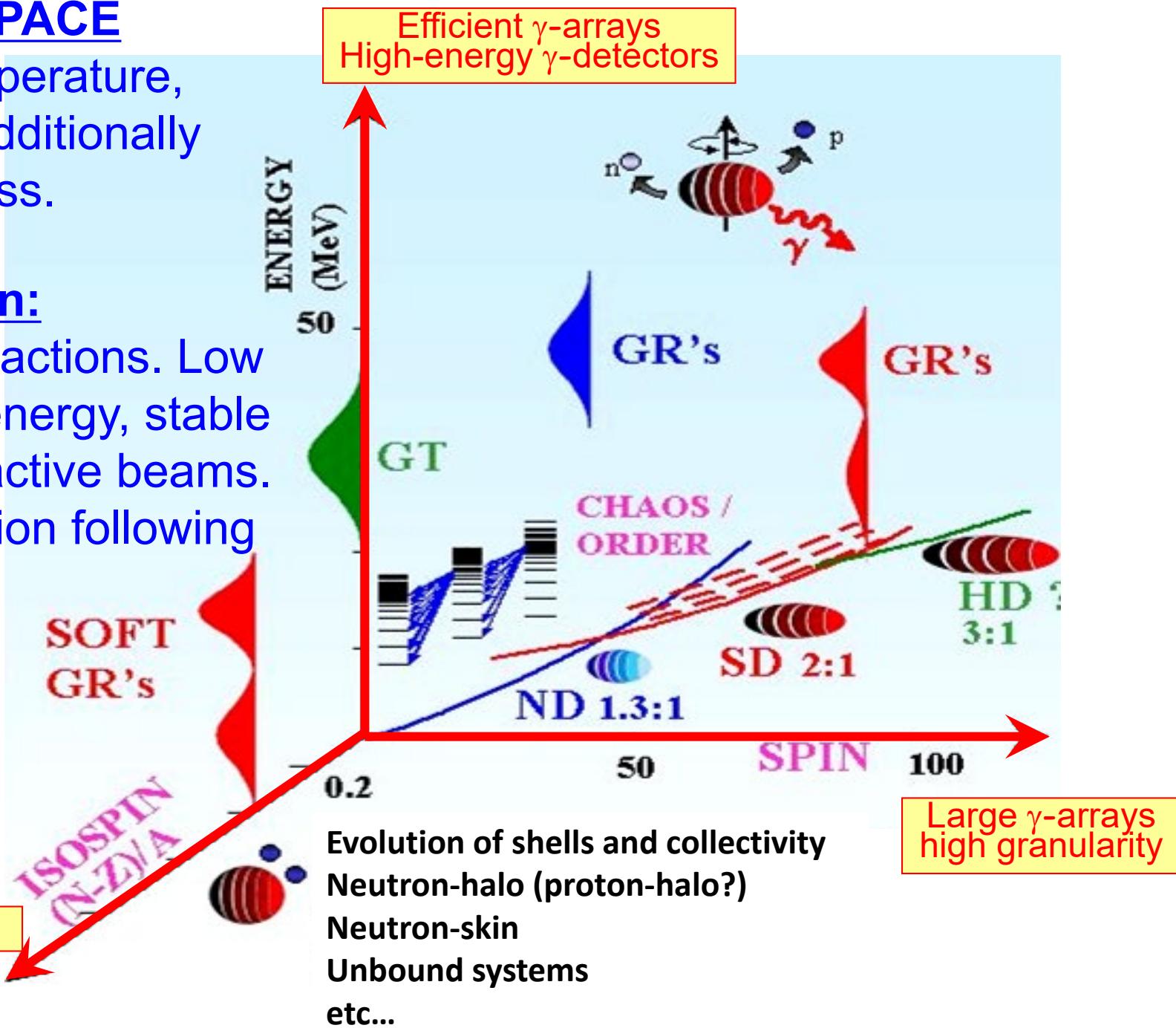
# PHASE SPACE

Spin, Temperature, Isospin. Additionally strangeness.

## Population:

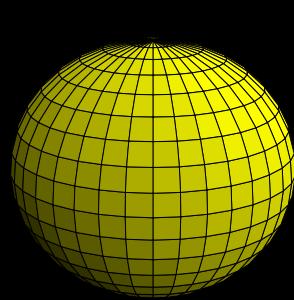
Nuclear reactions. Low and high energy, stable and radioactive beams. De-excitation following decay

Exotic beams

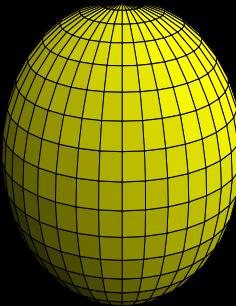


# Nuclear Collectivity

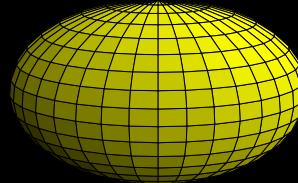
## Examples of Nuclear Shapes



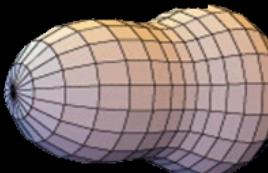
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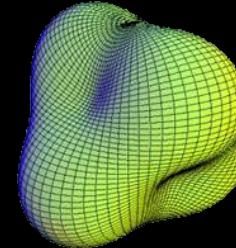
Prolate



Oblate



Octupole



Tetrahedric

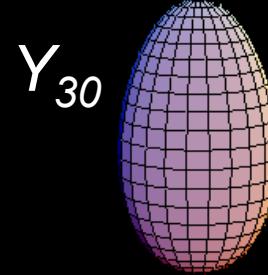
## Examples of Nuclear Shape Vibrations



$Y_{20}$



$Y_{22}$



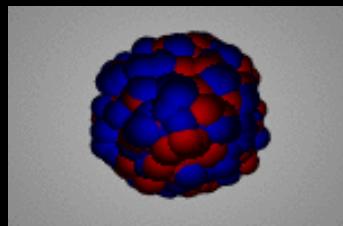
$Y_{30}$



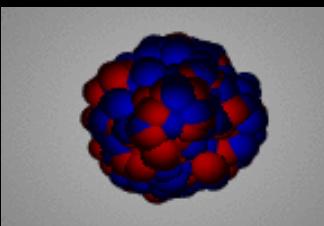
$Y_{31}$

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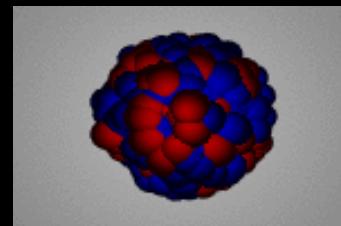
## Examples of Vibrational Collective Nuclei



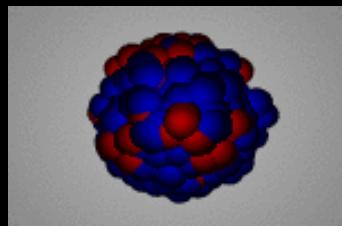
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(isoscalar)



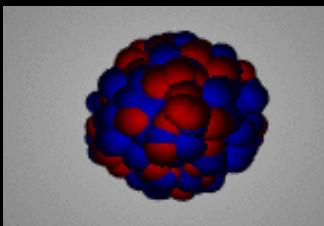
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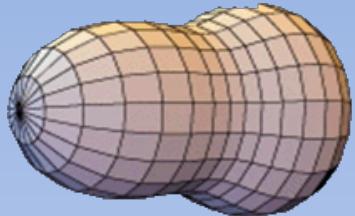
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GQR  
(isoscalar)



GQR  
(isovector)



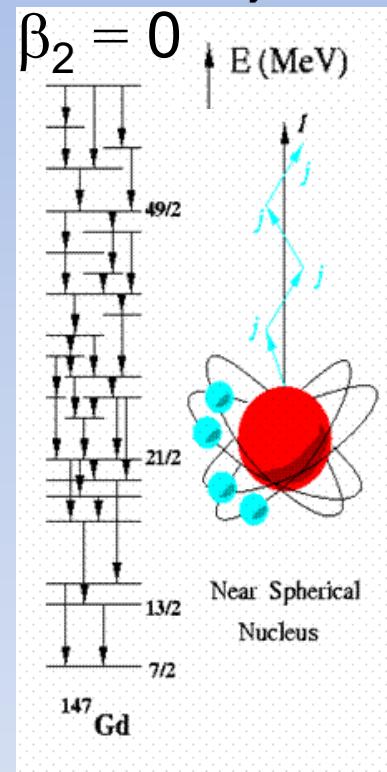
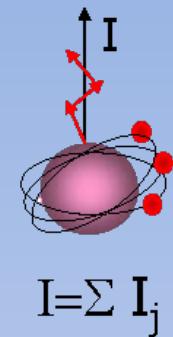
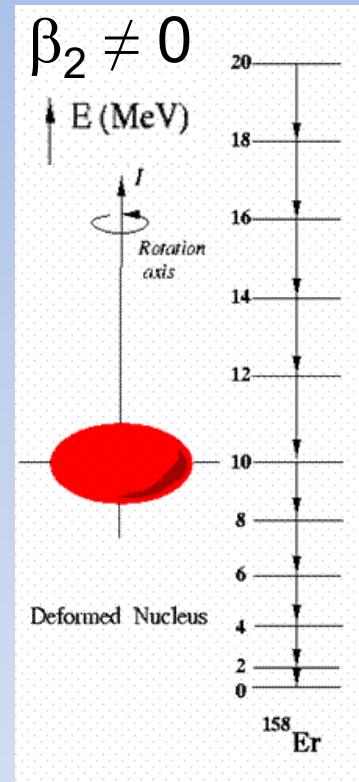
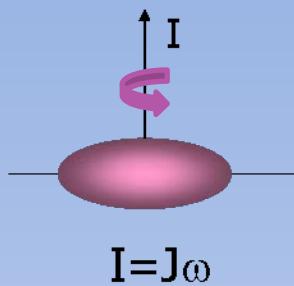
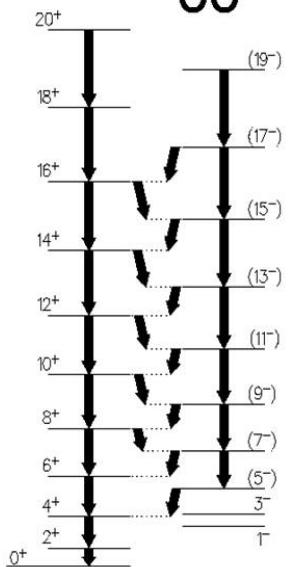
$$\beta_3 \neq 0$$

$$|\Psi\rangle = |\text{Rayleigh shape}\rangle$$

$$P|\Psi\rangle = |\text{Rayleigh shape}\rangle$$

$$P|\Psi\rangle \neq |\Psi\rangle$$

$^{222}_{88}\text{Ra}$



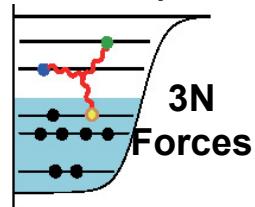
Rayleigh shape in terms of multipole expansion for an axial symmetric nucleus

$$R(\theta) = R_0 \sum_{\lambda=0}^{\lambda_{\max}} \beta_\lambda P_\lambda(\cos \theta),$$

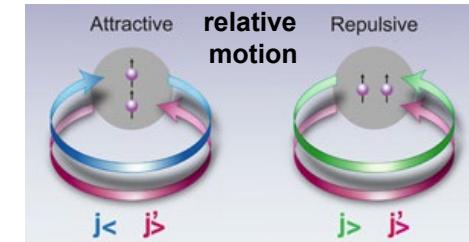
# Some Scientific Topics

## Organization of Nuclear Matter and Emerging Phenomena. In-media Fundamental Interactions, Origin and Evolution of Nuclear Matter

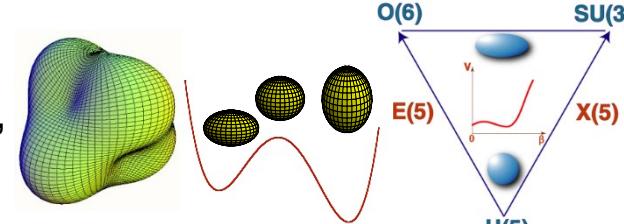
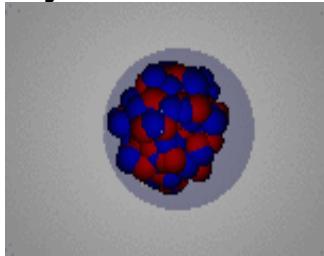
- **Shell Structure Far From Stability:** large nucleon asymmetry lead to shell modifications driven by the spin-isospin nucleon-nucleon interaction and close to the drip-line by the weakening of the spin-orbit interaction



- **Three Body Forces:** testing the role of three nucleon (3N) forces in the microscopic description of the atomic nucleus. Indications of important role in the vicinity of proton as well as neutron drip-lines.



- **Nuclear Shapes:** coexistence of different nuclear shapes, Large deformation, high-rank symmetries, phase transition, dynamic and critical point symmetries.

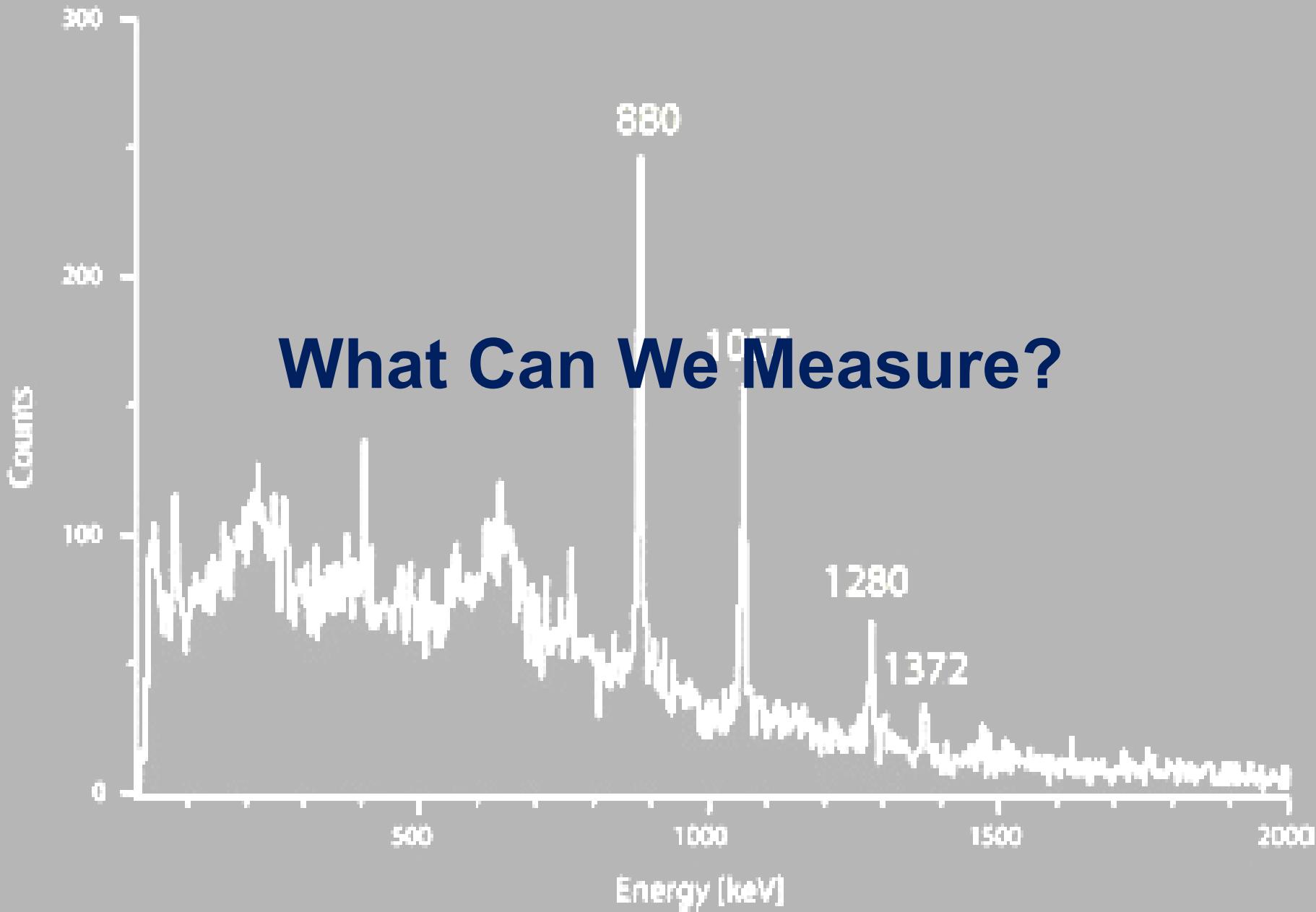


- **Spin-isospin Response Of Nuclei:** out-of-phase density oscillations of the neutron and proton fluids provided information on macroscopic nuclear properties associated with isovector fields.



- **Nuclear Matter Appearance and Evolution:** nuclear astrophysics, explosive scenarios and the rp-process, the origin of the elements heavier than Iron and the r-process

- **and Clustering in Nuclei, New forms of nuclear pairing, In-Media isospin breaking interactions, Study of Open Quantum Systems, etc ...**



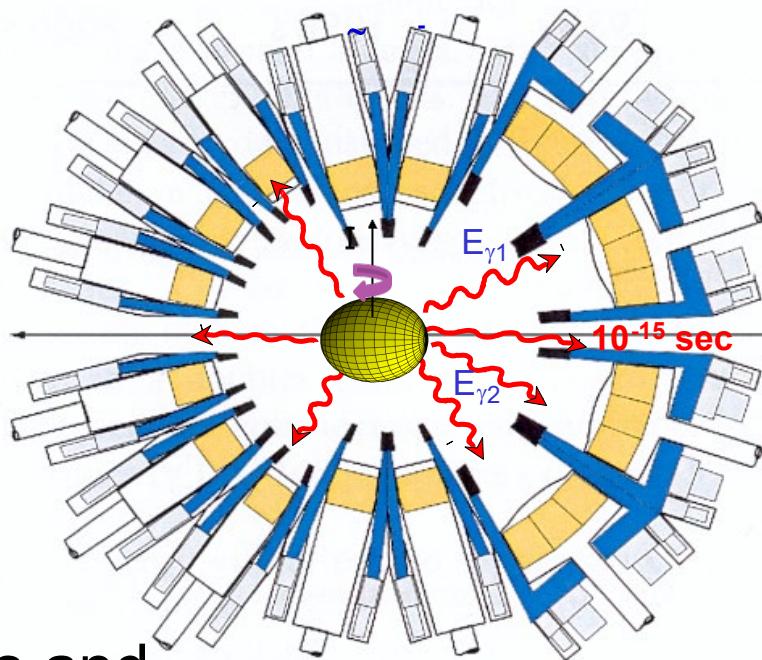
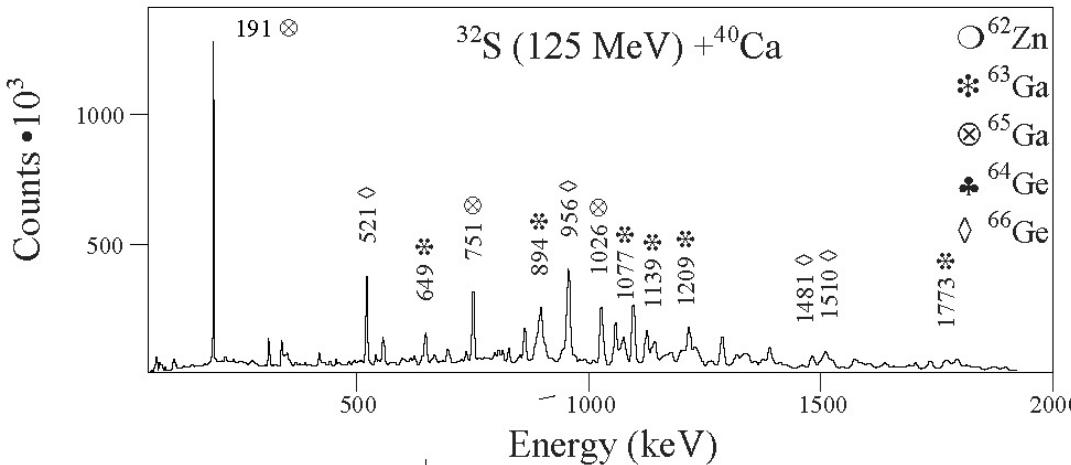
# In-Beam Spectroscopy Key Aspects

- Direct detection of the “prompt” de-excitation  $\gamma$ -rays emitted by the nucleus of interest
- The nucleus to be studied “must” be in a excited state:
  - The nucleus can be created in a excited state or
  - The nucleus must be excited during the reaction process
- The detection system are installed around the reaction point
  - Key factors are Efficiency, Peak-to-Total, i.e. signal-to-noise and Selectivity.
  - Reaction rates could by limited by the detector counting rates limit.
- In addition to the  $\gamma$ -ray detector, frequently, complementary detectors and devices are necessary to improve selectivity or to perform a particular measurement.

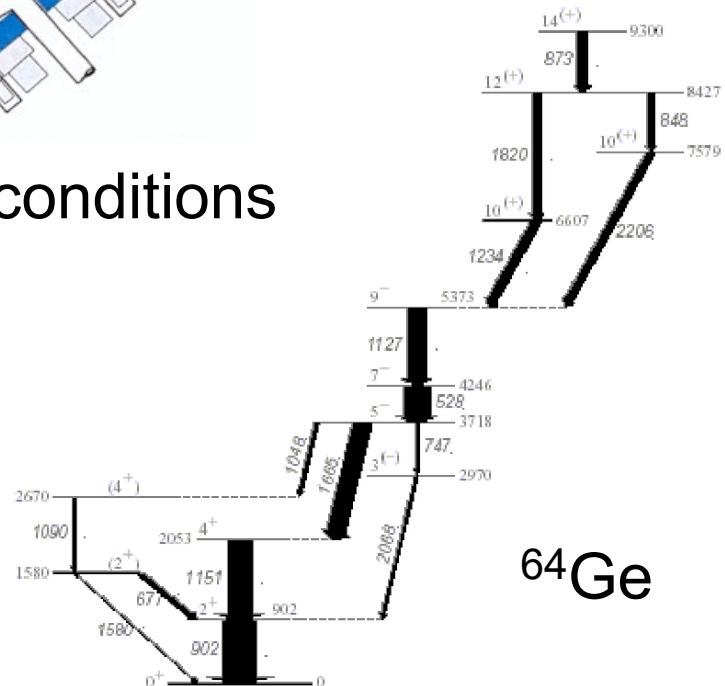
# In-beam Experiments in $\gamma$ -ray Spectroscopy

An experiment consists of exciting, or produce excited, a nucleus, then measure the  $\gamma$ -ray emitted during transitions between nuclear states.

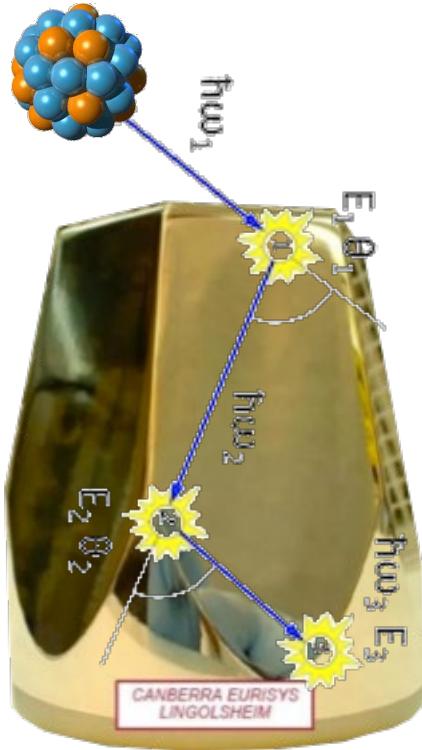
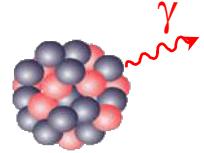
# Energies, Intensities and peak shapes with geometrical or other conditions



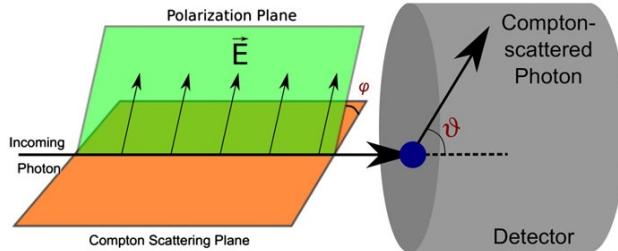
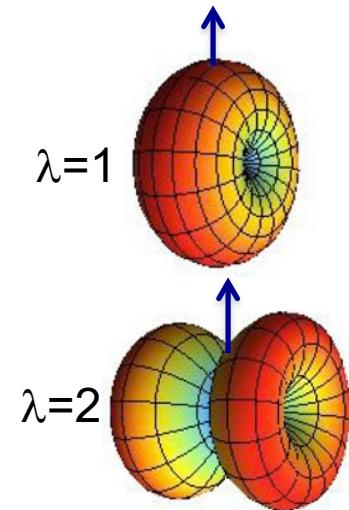
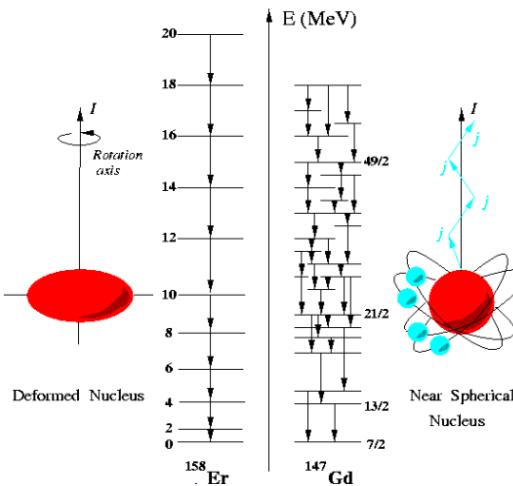
~ $4\pi$  coverage  
helps detection  
efficiency and  
provides angular  
distribution  
information



# High Resolution $\gamma$ -ray Spectroscopy

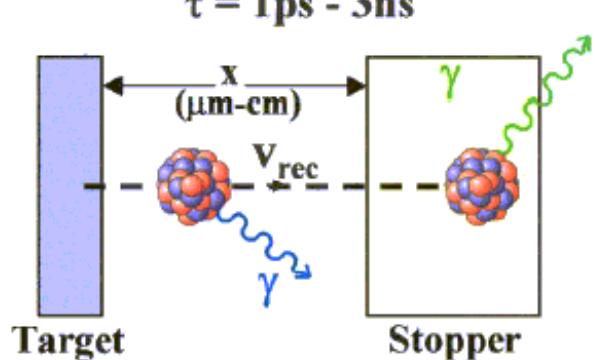


Sequence of  
Excited States:  
 $\gamma$ -ray Energy,  
intensity and  
coincidence  
analysis

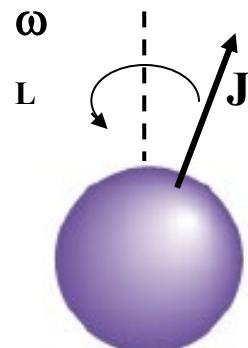


State Quantum numbers  $J^\pi$   
 $\gamma$ -ray angular distribution,  
correlations and linear  
polarization

Transition  
probabilities  
by Doppler or  
indirect methods  
 $B(E/M\lambda)$

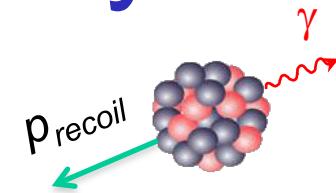
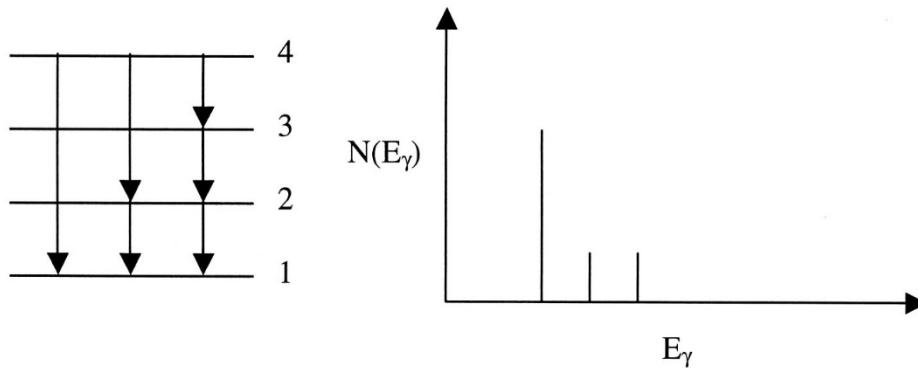


Nuclear  
Moments  
(e.g.: g-factors  
magnetic field)



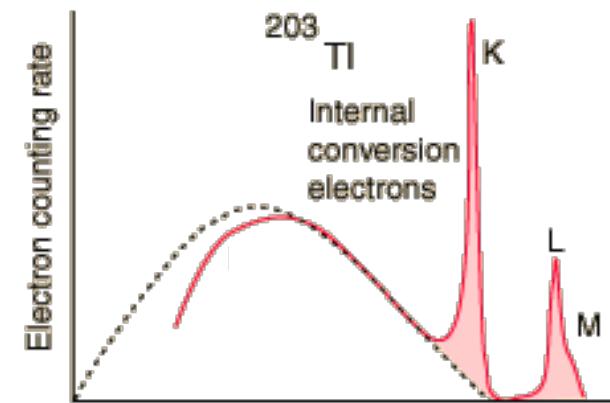
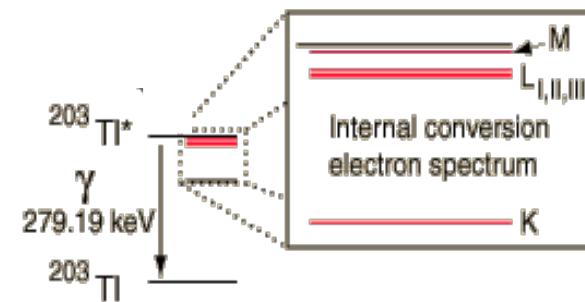
# Electromagnetic decay

- There are three types of electromagnetic decay,  $\gamma$ -ray emission, internal conversion (IC) and pair production ( $E>1.02\text{MeV}$ ).
- In electromagnetic decays  $\Delta N=\Delta Z=\Delta A=0$ , with just a lowering of the excitation energy of the nucleus.
- In  $\gamma$ -ray emission, the emitted photons are mono-energetic and have an energy corresponding to almost all of the energy difference between the final and initial state of the system.



$$p_\gamma = p_{\text{recoil}}$$

$$T_{\text{recoil}} = \frac{p_{\text{recoil}}^2}{2m_{\text{recoil}}} = \frac{p_\gamma^2}{2m_{\text{recoil}}} = \frac{E_\gamma^2}{2m_{\text{recoil}}c^2}$$



# Electromagnetic Decay

## Transition Character and Multipolarity

- The initial and final states have a definite  $I^\pi$ . The photon carries away a definite amount of angular momentum.  $I$  and  $\pi$  must be conserved.
- Multipolarity is a measure of the angular momentum carried away by the photon.
- Transitions could be stretched  $\ell = (I_i - I_f)$  or non-stretched  $\ell > (I_i - I_f)$ .
- Transitions are classified as electric or magnetic based on whether the radiation is due to a shift in the charge distribution or a shift in the current distribution.
- Based on the type of operator involved, there are restrictions on the parity change in the transition.
- E0 transitions does not happen by  $\gamma$ -ray emission, only by Internal Conversion or Pair Production.

$$|(I_i - I_f)| \leq \ell \leq (I_i + I_f)\hbar$$

*A photon with  $\ell$  units of angular momentum is called a  $2^\ell$ -pole photon.*

$\ell = 1 \Rightarrow$  dipole

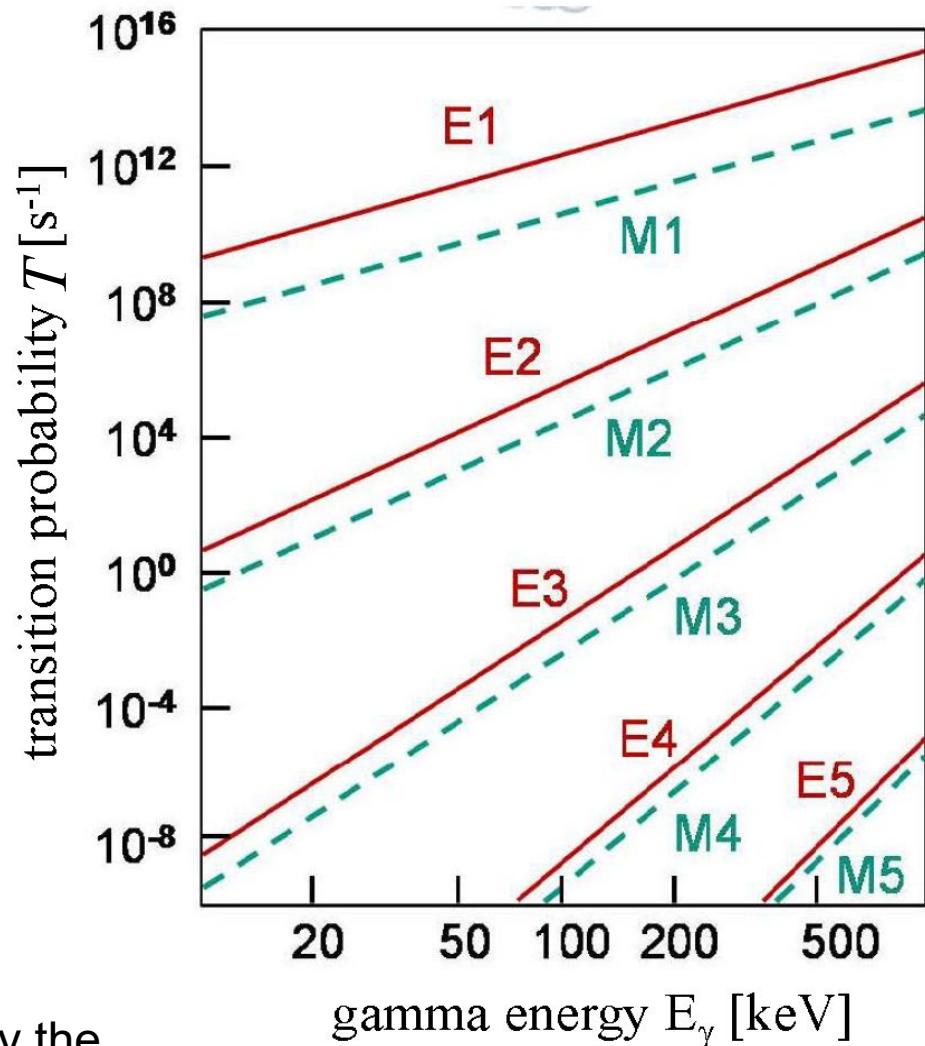
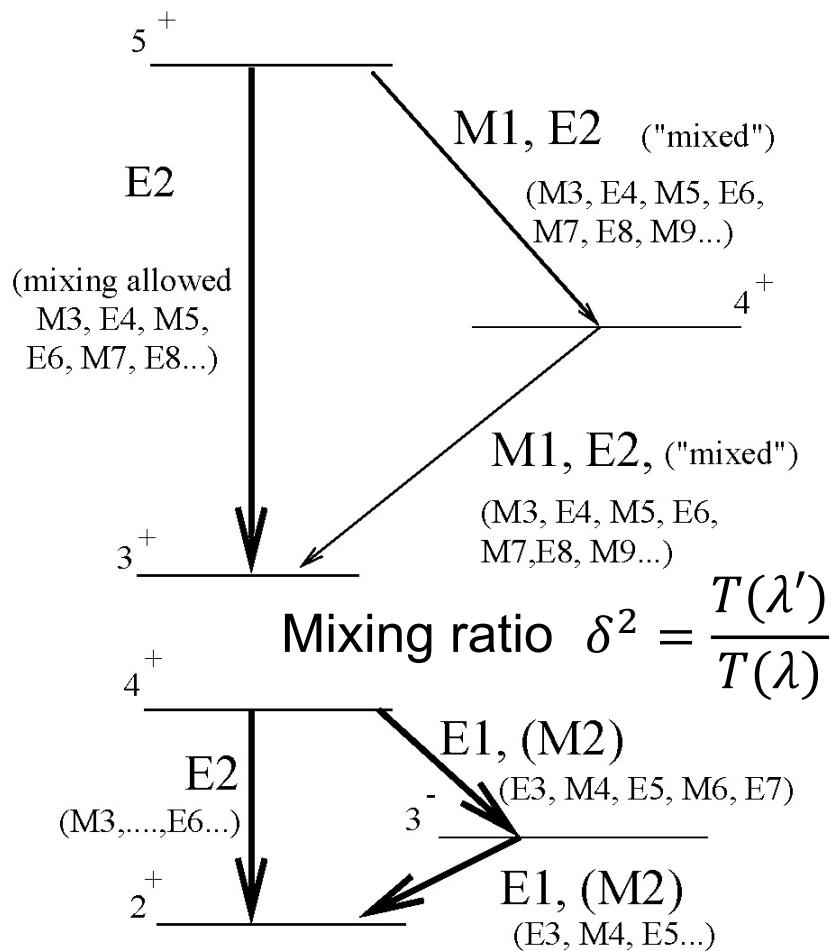
$\ell = 2 \Rightarrow$  quadrupole

$\ell = 3 \Rightarrow$  octupole

TABLE 9.1  $\gamma$ -Ray Selection Rules and Multipolarities

Radiation Type	Name	$l = \Delta I$	$\Delta\pi$
E1	Electric dipole	1	Yes
M1	Magnetic dipole	1	No
E2	Electric quadrupole	2	No
M2	Magnetic quadrupole	2	Yes
E3	Electric octupole	3	Yes
M3	Magnetic octupole	3	No
E4	Electric hexadecapole	4	No
M4	Magnetic hexadecapole	4	Yes

# Electromagnetic Decay



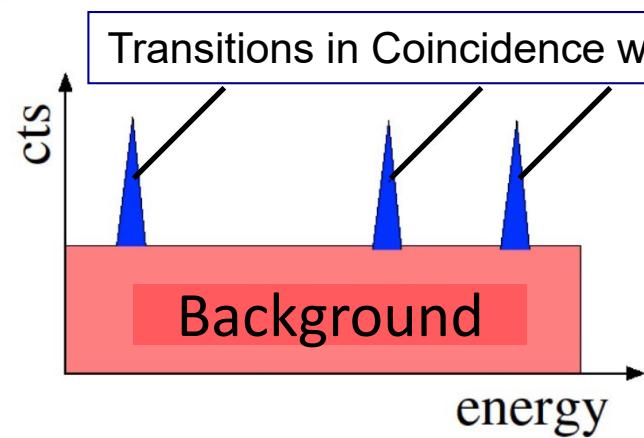
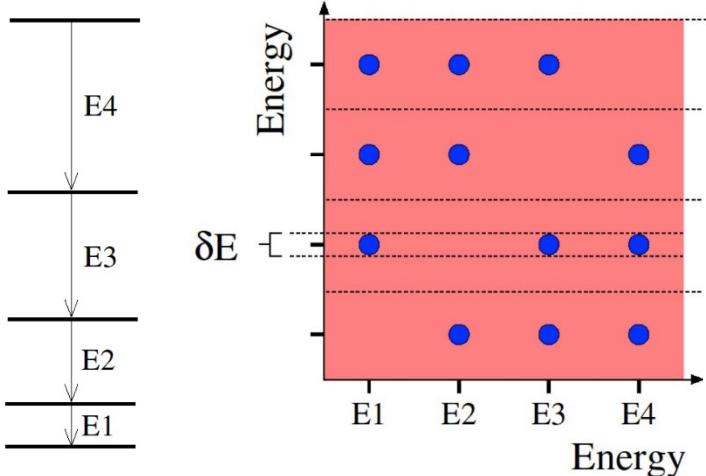
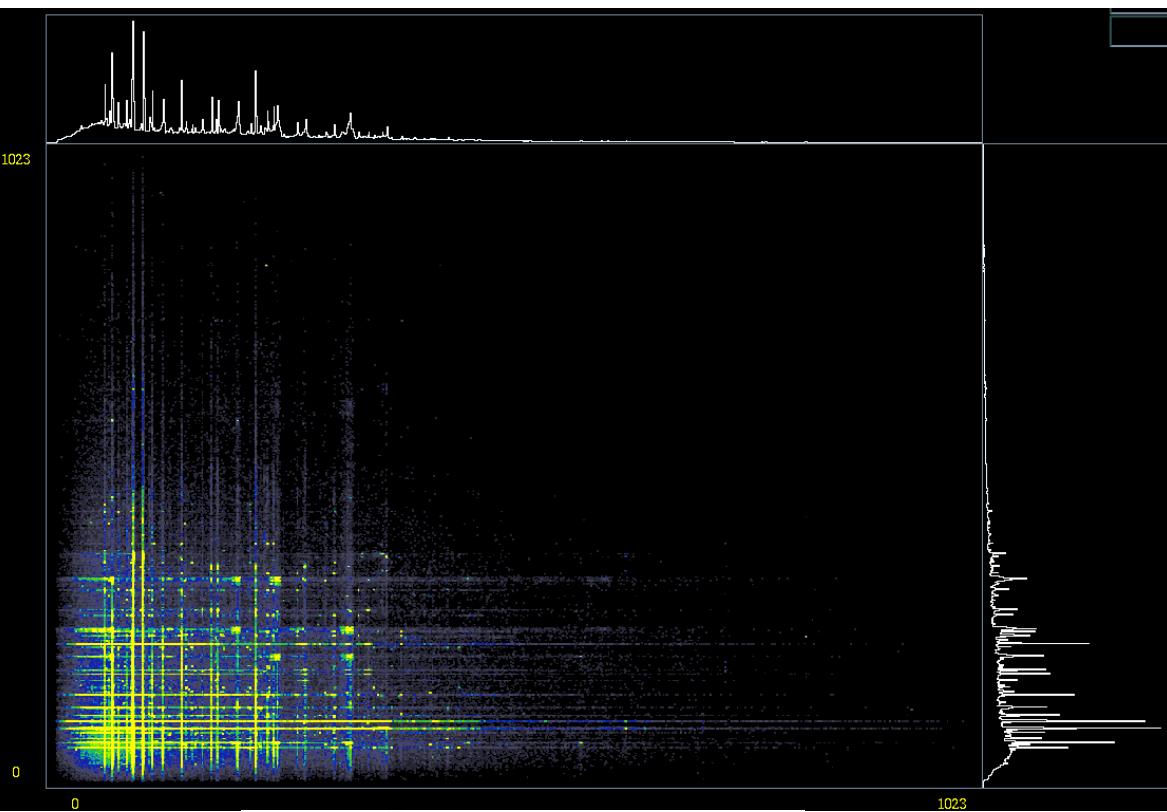
The transition probability is governed by the matrix element of the multipole operator

$$B(E/M\lambda) \quad m_{fi}(\sigma L) = \int \Psi_f^* m(\sigma L) \Psi_i dv$$

Single particle estimates  
(Weisskopf Estimates)

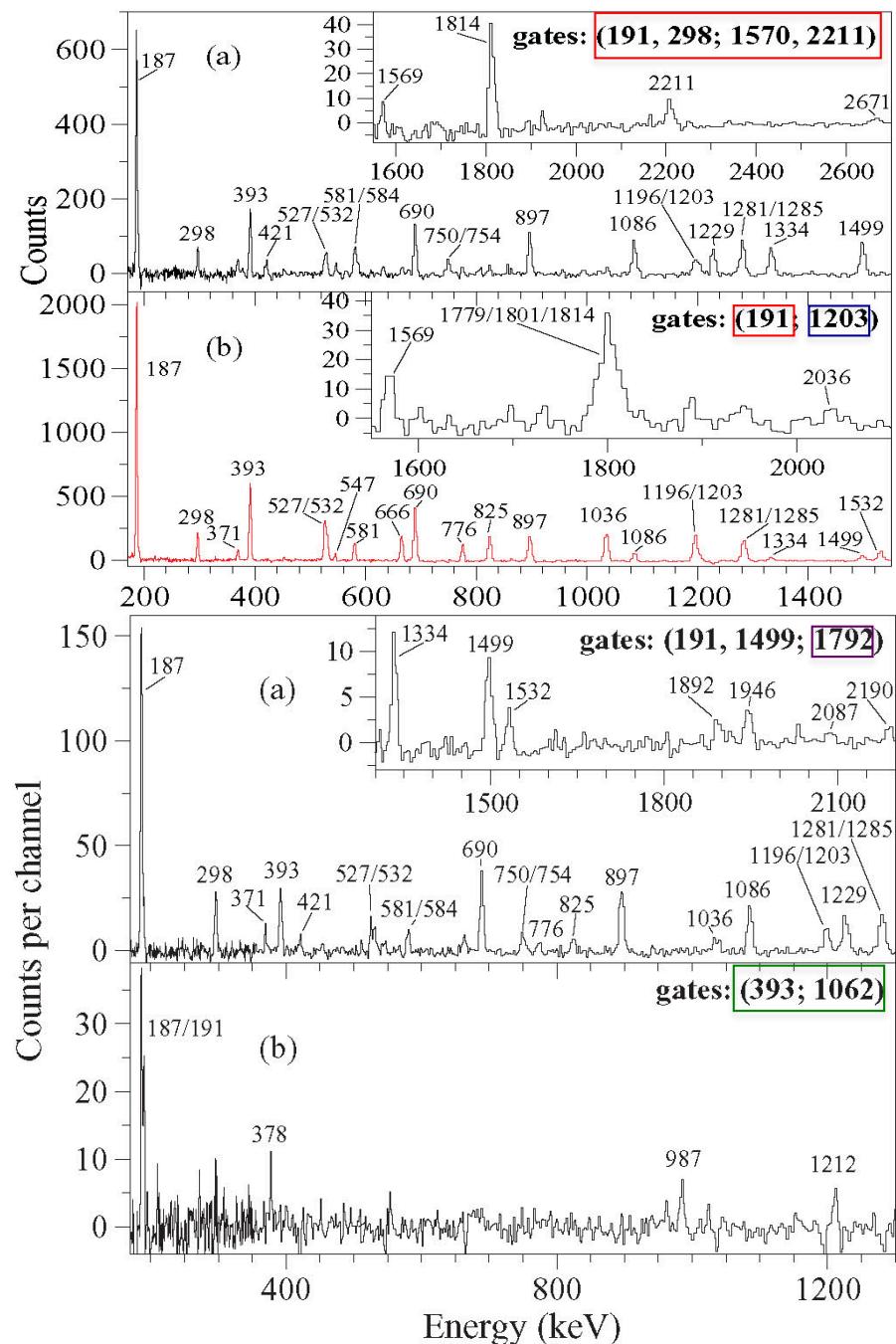
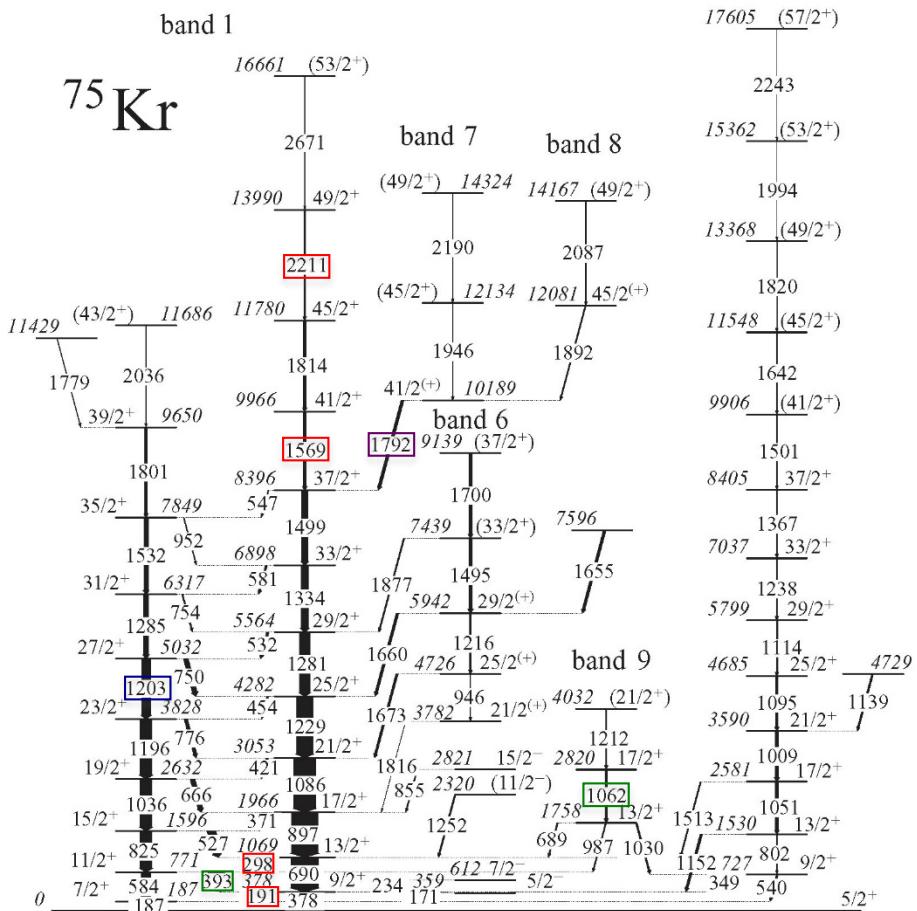
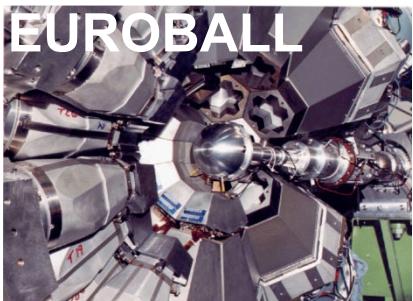
# $\gamma$ -ray Coincidence Analysis

- With two or more detectors it is possible to create two (2D) or higher dimension histograms.
- The 1D projection with a condition in one of the axis provides the spectrum of  $\gamma$ -rays “in coincidence”.
- The “coincidence” relationships allow to create the energy level scheme of the nucleus for a particular reaction.



The Compton background is as well in coincidence with the transition

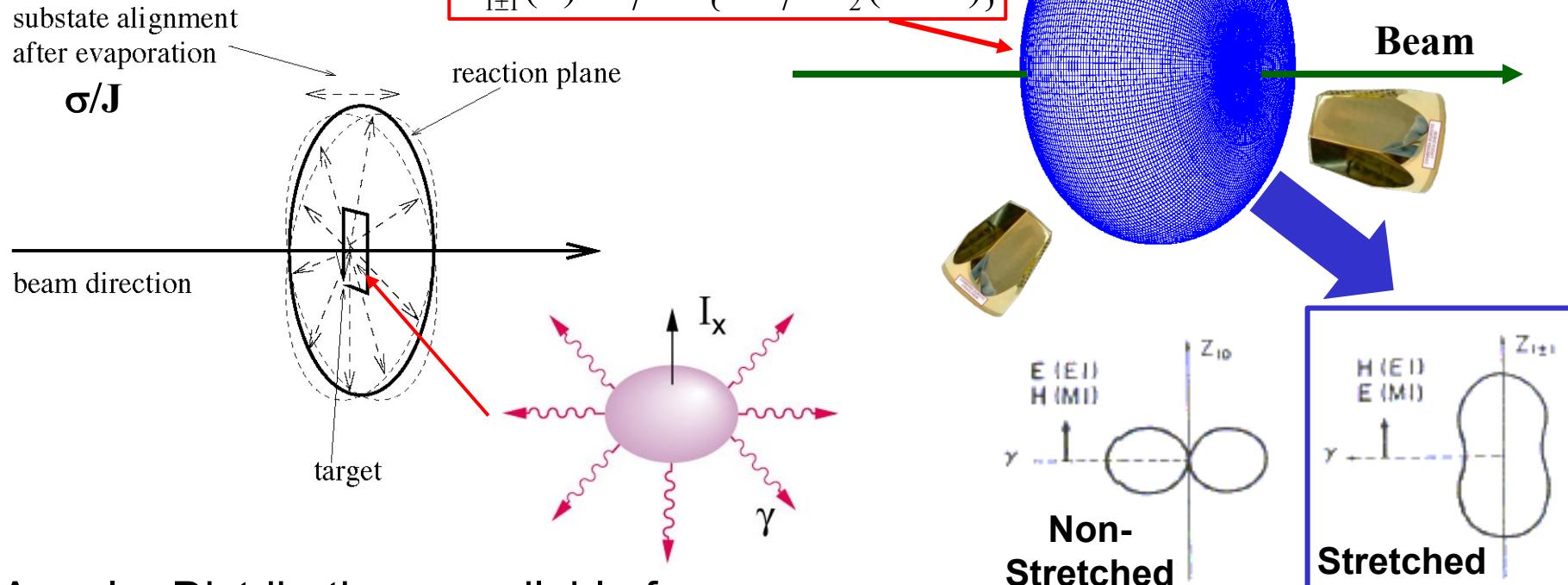
# Example: Coincidence Analysis in Fusion-Evaporation Reactions



# Electromagnetic emission: Angular distributions $Z_{\ell\pm m}(\theta)$

Intensity of  $\gamma$ -ray follows a distribution described by the spherical harmonics

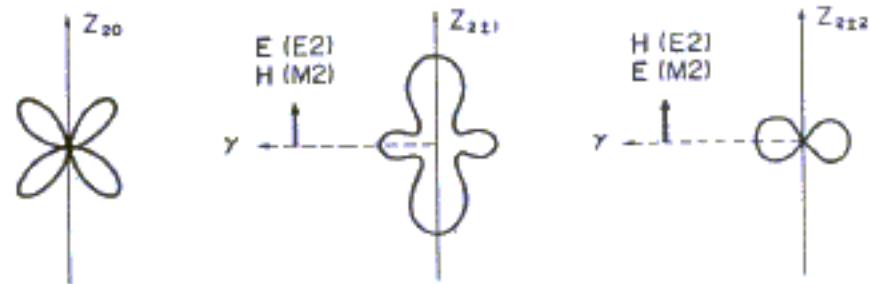
$$Z_{1\pm 1}(\theta) = 1/4\pi \{1 + 1/2 P_2(\cos \theta)\}$$



Angular Distributions: available for oriented nuclei.

Angular Correlations: available for non-oriented & oriented nuclei

Angular distributions and correlations are only sensitive to the multipolarity  $\ell$

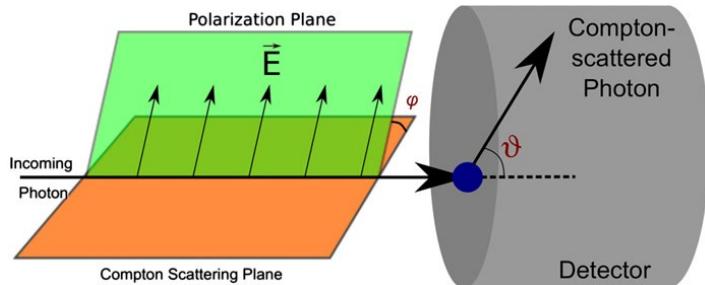


# Measurement of the linear polarization

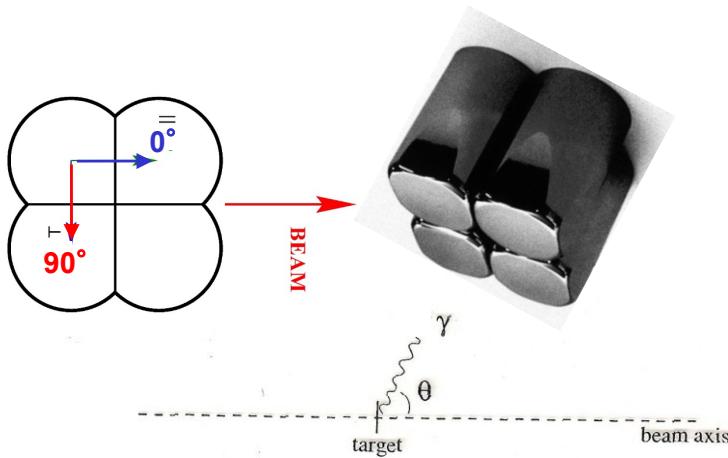
- $\gamma$ -rays emitted by oriented nuclei are partially polarized. The polarization vector is different for stretched E and M transitions (Sensitive to the Character)
- Compton scattering can be used to measure the degree of polarization through the dependency with the polarization vector

$$\frac{d\sigma_{KN}}{d\Omega} = \frac{r_0^2}{4} \left( \frac{E'}{E} \right)^2 \left[ \frac{E'}{E} + \frac{E}{E'} - 2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi \right]$$

$\phi$  = angle between the scattering plane and the initial polarization plane



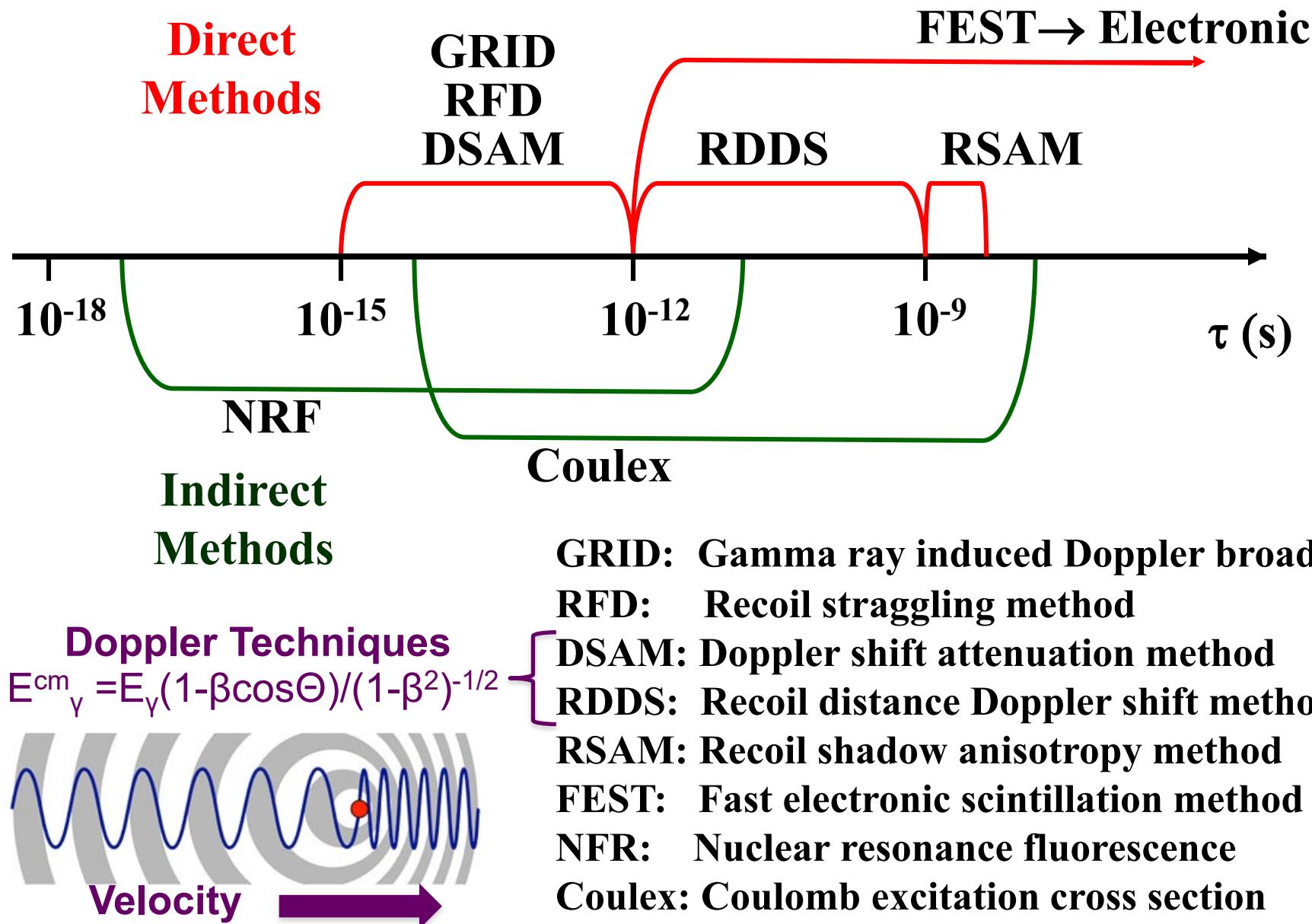
$$P_E(\theta) = \frac{1}{Q} \cdot \frac{N_{\perp} - N_{||}}{N_{\perp} + N_{||}}$$



Experiments measure the asymmetry.  
 $Q$  is the sensibility of the polarimeter

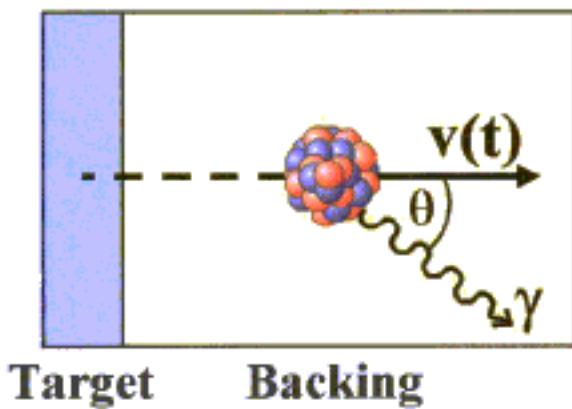
**Stretched E $\lambda$  transitions will have positive asymmetry**  
**Stretched M $\lambda$  transitions will have negative asymmetry**

# Techniques for lifetime measurements

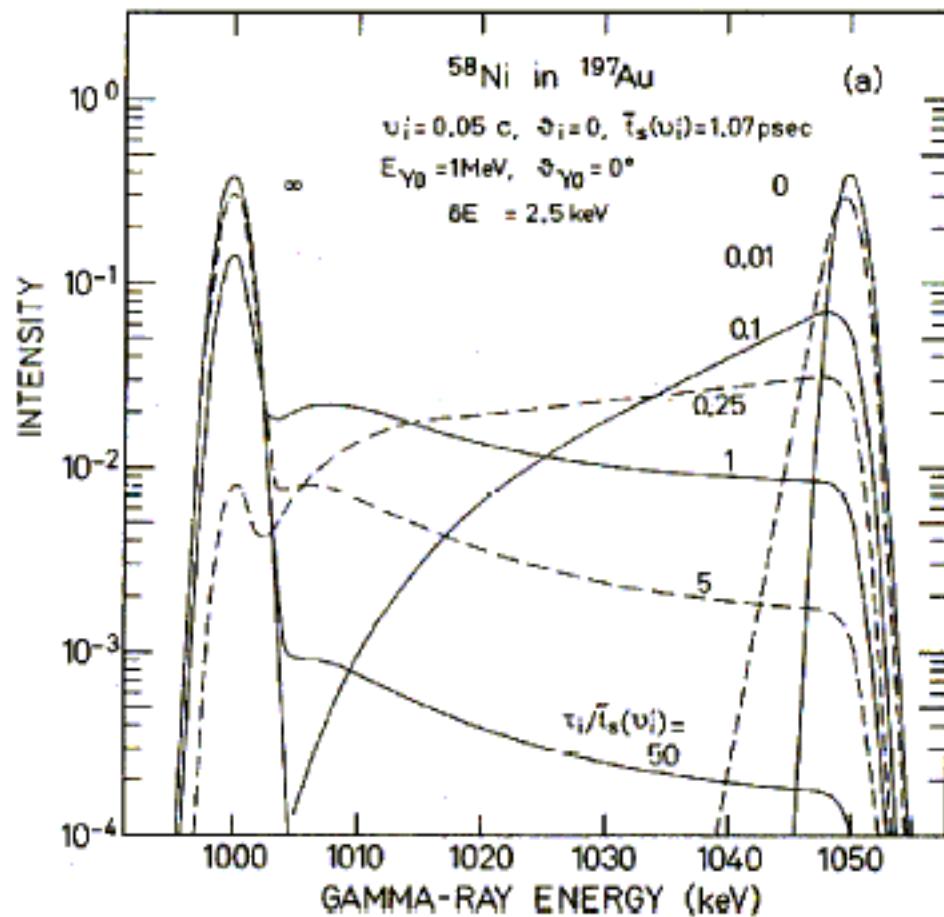
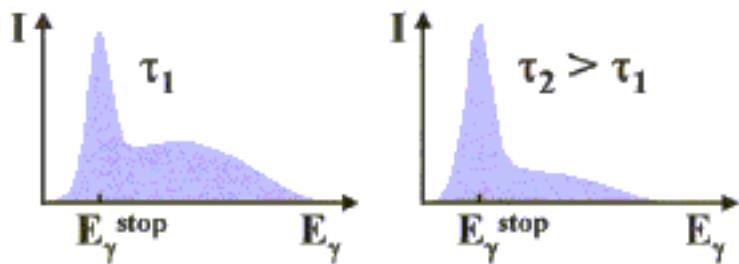
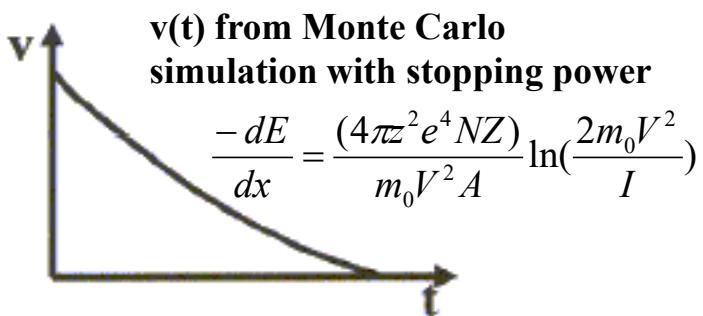


# Doppler Shift Attenuation Method

$$\tau = 0.1 - 1.5 \text{ ps}$$



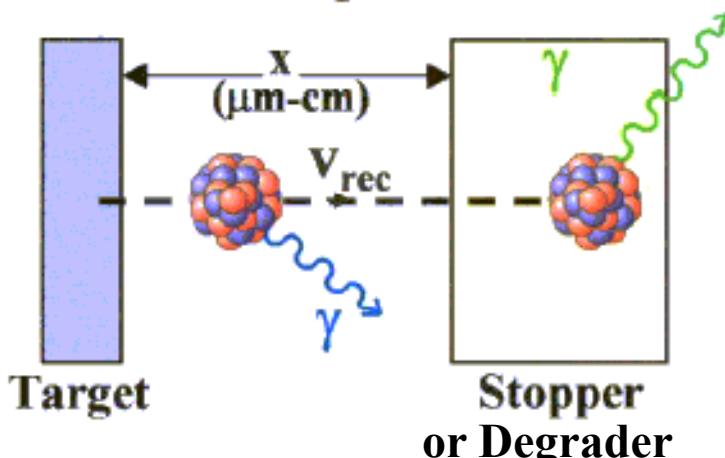
Target      Backing



Line shapes for  $^{58}\text{Ni}$  stopped in  $^{197}\text{Au}$  with a beam velocity of  $v/c=0.05$  and measured at  $\theta=0^\circ$

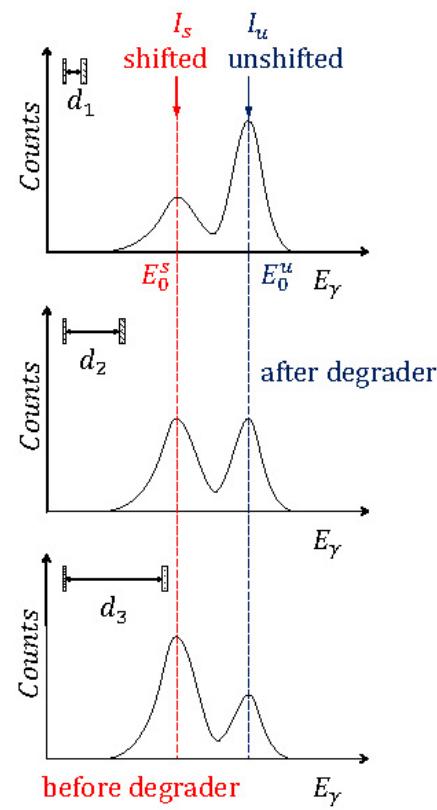
# Recoil Distance Doppler Shift Method

$$\tau = 1\text{ps} - 3\text{ns}$$

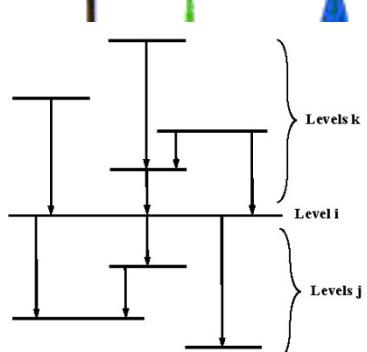


Target

Stopper  
or Degrader



$$E\gamma(u) \approx E\gamma(s)(1 + \frac{v_{rec}}{c} \cos \theta)$$

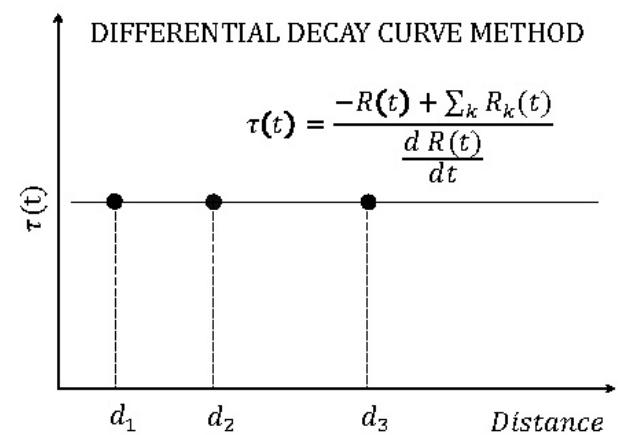
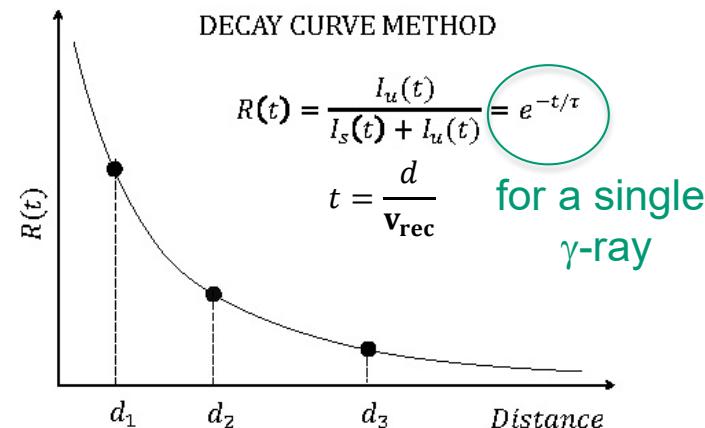


$$\frac{dn_i(t)}{dt} = -\lambda_i n_i(t) + \sum_{k=i+1}^N \lambda_k n_k(t) b_{ki},$$

Bateman equation

$$R_i(t) = P_i e^{-t\lambda_i} + \sum_{k=i+1}^N M_{ki} \left[ (\lambda_i/\lambda_k) e^{-t\lambda_k} - e^{-t\lambda_i} \right],$$

$$M_{ki}(t)(\lambda_i/\lambda_k - 1) = b_{ki} P_k - b_{ki} \sum_{m=k+1}^N M_{mk} + \sum_{m=i+1}^{k-1} M_{km} b_{mi} (\lambda_m/\lambda_k)$$



# Reduced Transition Probabilities

The square of the transition multipole operator is called Reduced Transition Probability and has not the energy dependence :  $B(\lambda, j_i \rightarrow j_f) \equiv \sum_{\mu, m_f} | \langle j_f m_f | M(\lambda, \mu) | j_i m_i \rangle |^2$

Relation between the transition probability  $T$  and the reduced transition probability  $B$ .  
 $(T$  are in units of  $\text{sec}^{-1}$  ,  $B(E, \lambda)$  in  $\text{e}^2 \text{ fm}^{2\lambda}$ ,  
 $B(M, \lambda)$  in  $\mu_N^2 \text{ fm}^{2\lambda-2}$  and  $E$  in MeV.

$T(E1)$	$\approx$	$1.59 \times 10^{15}$	$E^3$	$B(E1)$
$T(E2)$	$=$	$1.22 \times 10^9$	$E^5$	$B(E2)$
$T(E3)$	$=$	$5.67 \times 10^2$	$E^7$	$B(E3)$
$T(E4)$	$=$	$1.69 \times 10^{-4}$	$E^9$	$B(E4)$
$T(M1)$	$=$	$1.76 \times 10^{13}$	$E^3$	$B(M1)$
$T(M2)$	$=$	$1.35 \times 10^7$	$E^5$	$B(M2)$
$T(M3)$	$=$	$6.28 \times 10^0$	$E^7$	$B(M3)$
$T(M4)$	$=$	$1.87 \times 10^{-6}$	$E^9$	$B(M4)$

## Weisskopf estimates:

When the transition is due to a single proton that changes from one shell-model state to another: EL/ML electric/Magnetic transition probability.

$$T(E1) = 1.0 \times 10^{14} A^{2/3} E^3$$

$$T(E2) = 7.3 \times 10^7 A^{4/3} E^5$$

$$T(E3) = 34 A^2 E^7$$

$$T(E4) = 1.1 \times 10^{-5} A^{8/3} E^9$$

$$T(M1) = 5.6 \times 10^{13} E^3$$

$$T(M2) = 3.5 \times 10^7 A^{2/3} E^5$$

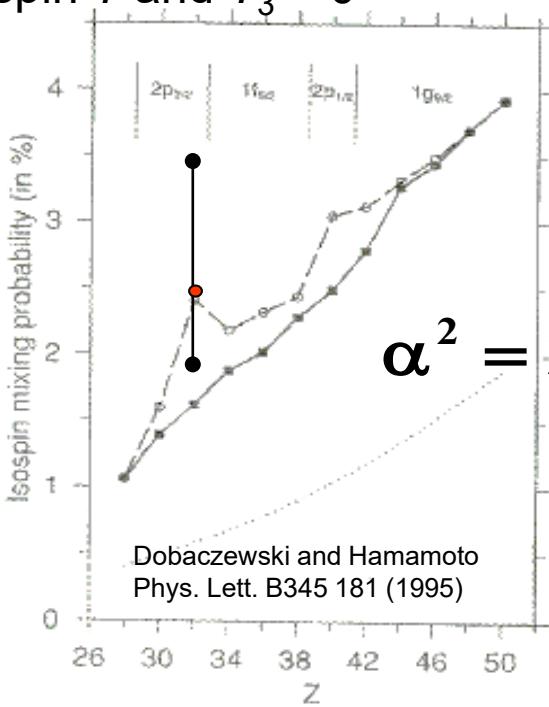
$$T(M3) = 16 A^{4/3} E^7$$

$$T(M4) = 4.5 \times 10^{-6} A^2 E^9$$

- e.g. Single particle or multiparticle states in non collective Shell Model Nuclei g.s. E2 up to few W.u.
- e.g. Collective states in quadrupole deformed heavy Nuclei g.s. E2 up to several hundred of W.u.

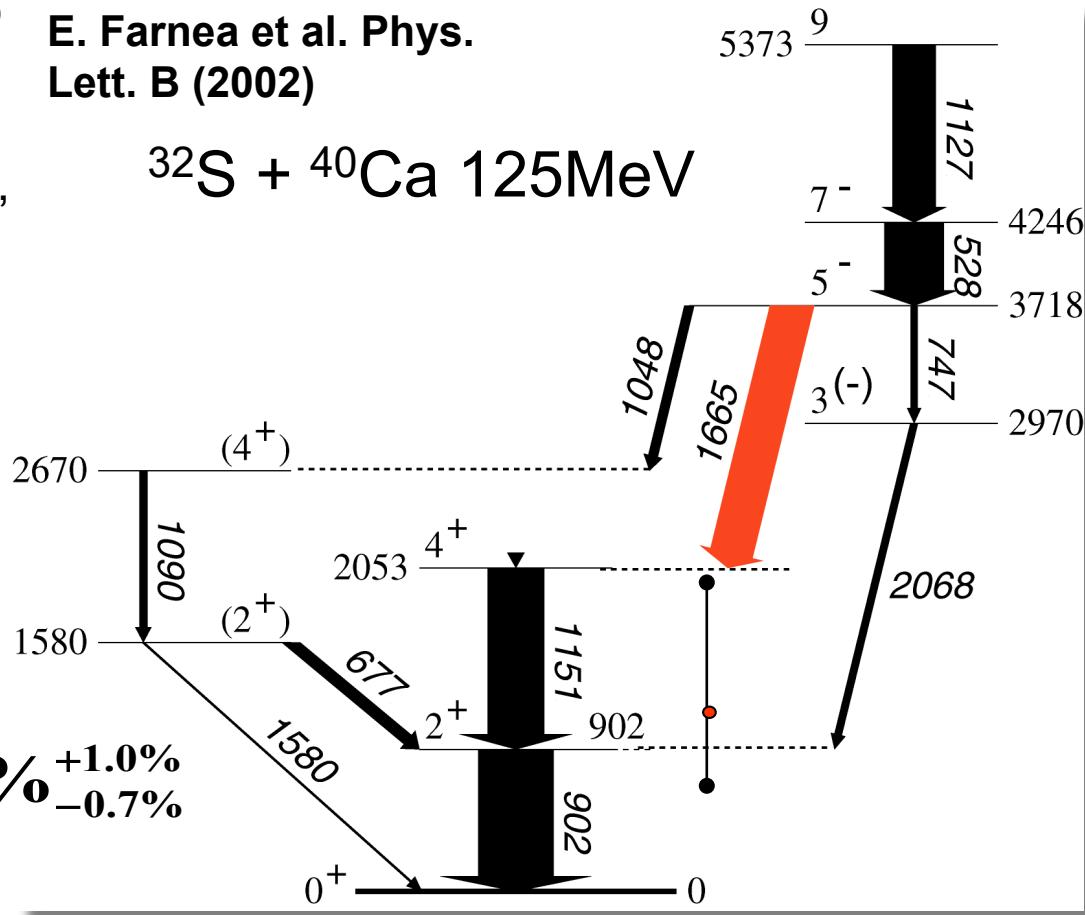
# Forbidden E1 transitions in $^{64}\text{Ge}$ between states with $T=0$

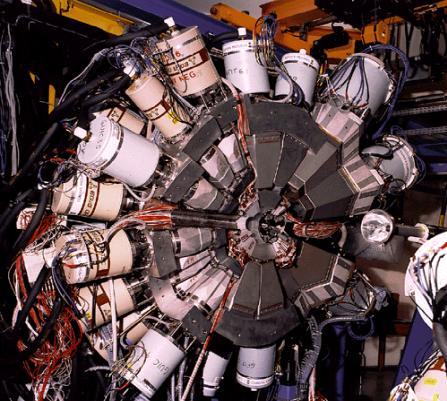
Studying the violation of isospin symmetry induced by the Coulomb interaction is the observation of E1 transitions in even–even  $N = Z$  nuclei. In the long-wavelength limit, the matrix elements of the nuclear E1 operator vanish when both the initial and final states have equal isospin  $T$  and  $T_3 = 0$ .



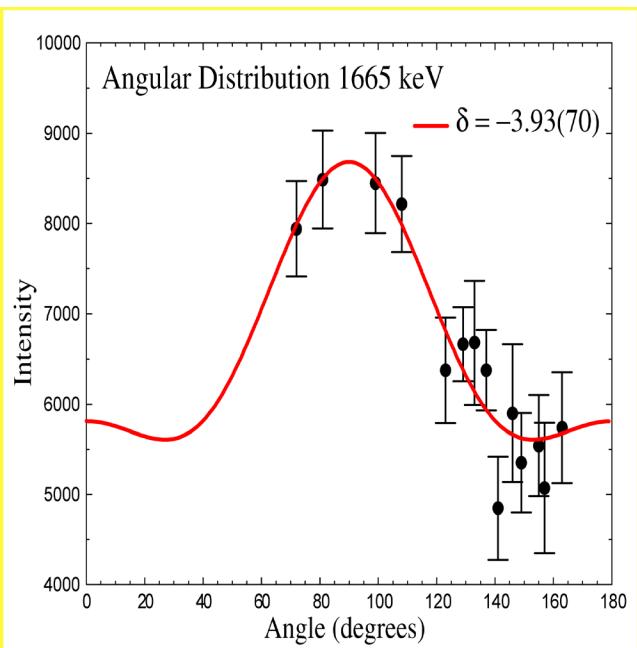
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# $^{32}\text{S} + ^{40}\text{Ca}$ 125 MeV





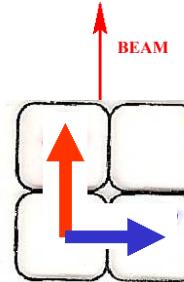
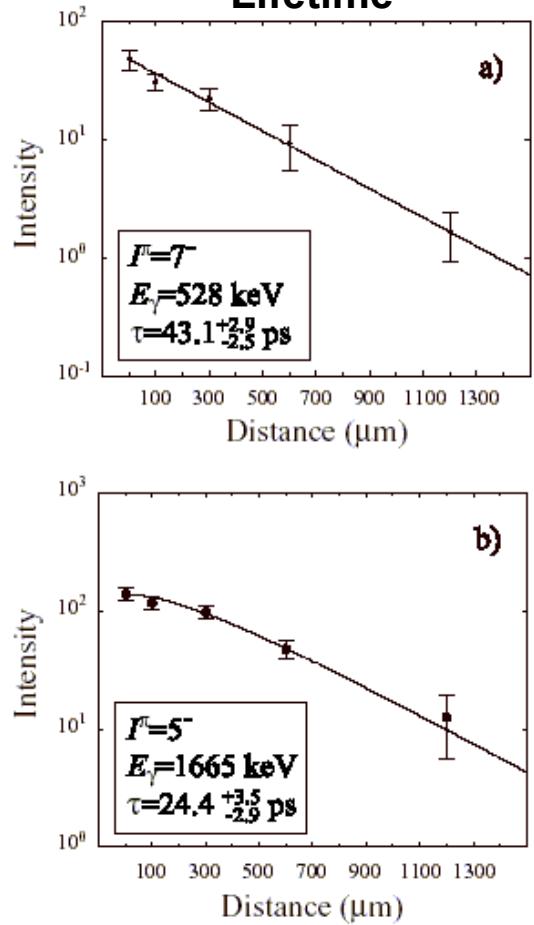
## Angular distribution



$\delta = -3.93(70)$   
 $B(M2) = 6.1(1.6) \text{ W.u.}$   
 $B(E1) = 2.3(1.3) \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ W.u.}$



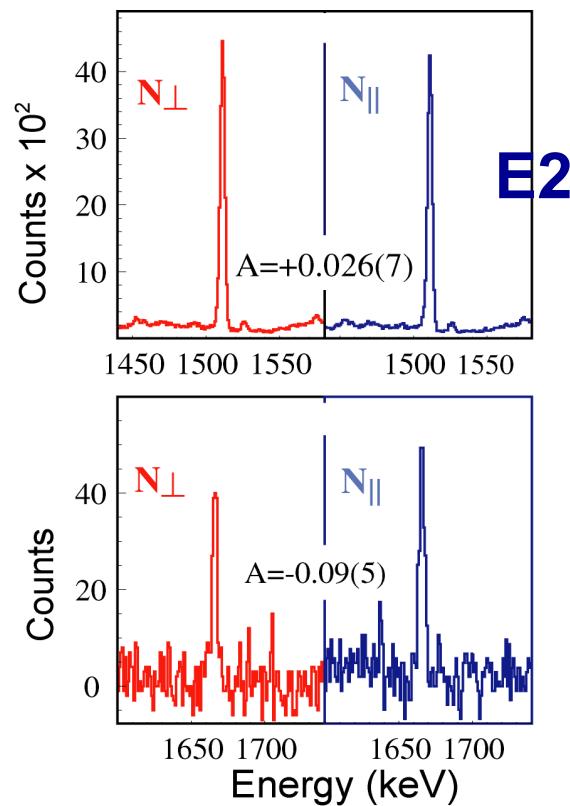
## Lifetime



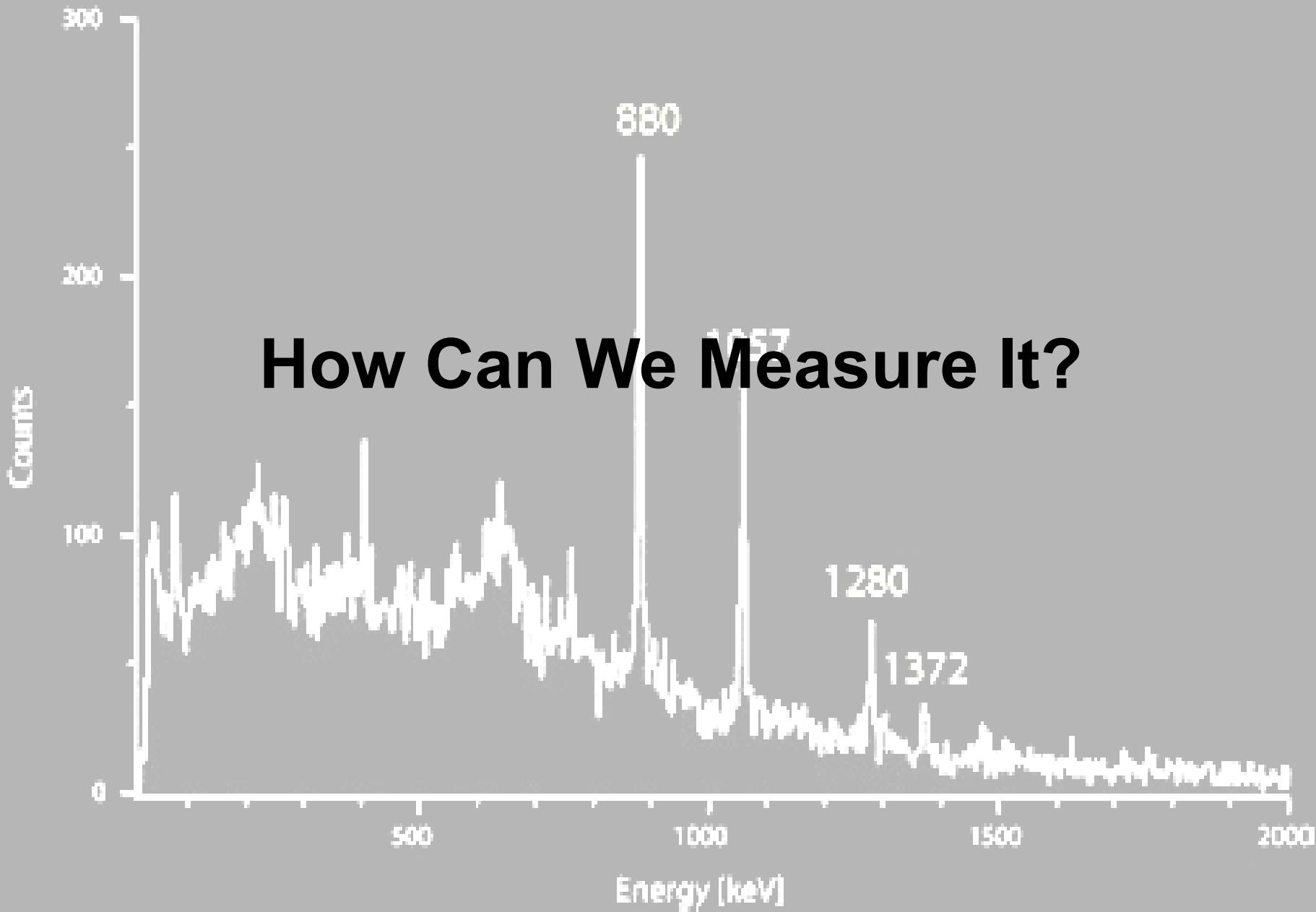
$$A = \frac{N_\perp - N_\parallel}{N_\perp + N_\parallel}$$

## Asymmetry and polarization

$A = N_\perp - N_\parallel / (N_\perp + N_\parallel)$



The 1665 keV transition mixed E1/M2 character ~93% quadrupole contents



# Interaction of the $\gamma$ -rays with matter

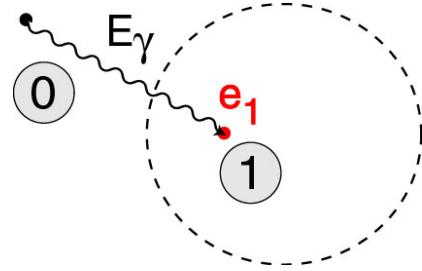
$\sim 100$  keV

$\sim 1$  MeV

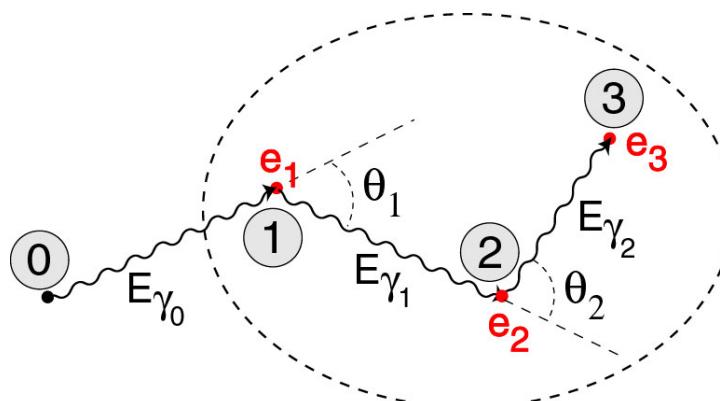
$\sim 10$  MeV

$\gamma$ -ray energy

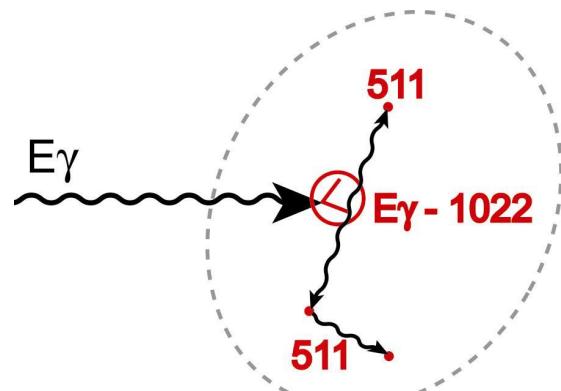
## Photoelectric



## Compton Scattering



## Pair Production



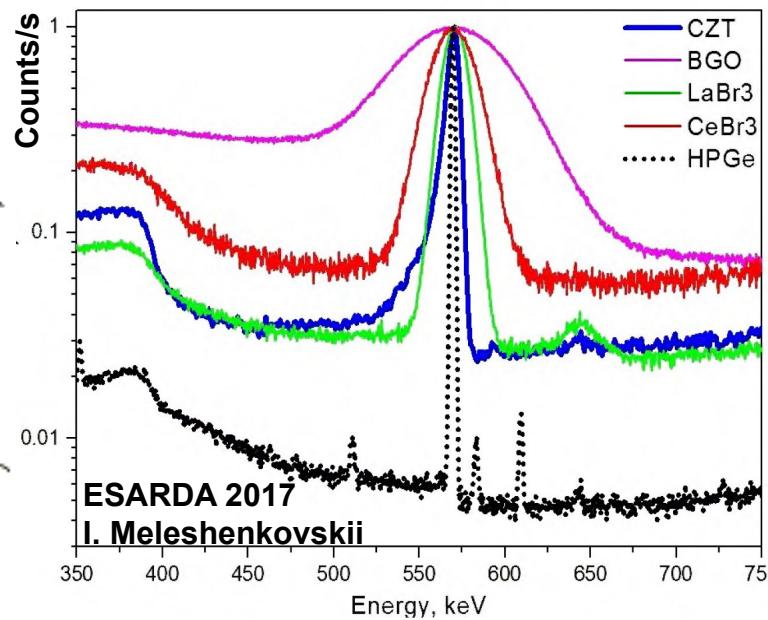
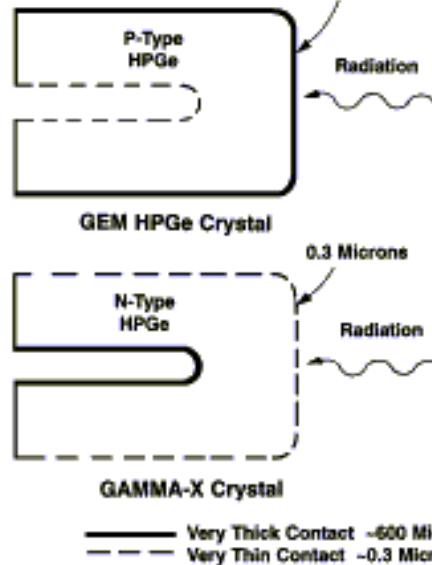
$$E_{\gamma'} = \frac{E_{\gamma}}{1 + \frac{E_{\gamma}}{m_0 c^2} (1 - \cos\theta)}$$

# Instrumentation for HR $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy

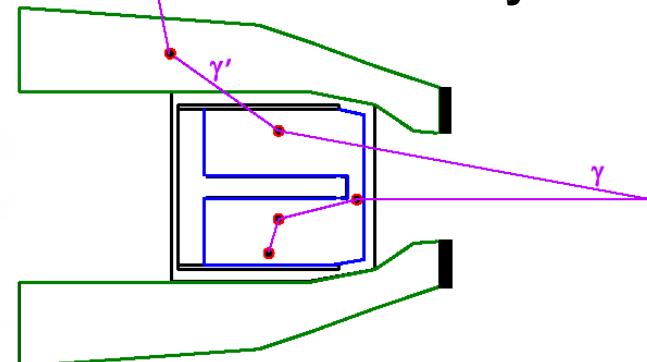
High resolution  $\gamma$ -ray spectroscopy  $\rightarrow$  large volume semiconductor detectors  
in particular detectors based on HP-Ge (impurities  $\sim 10^{-12}$ )

Present Ge

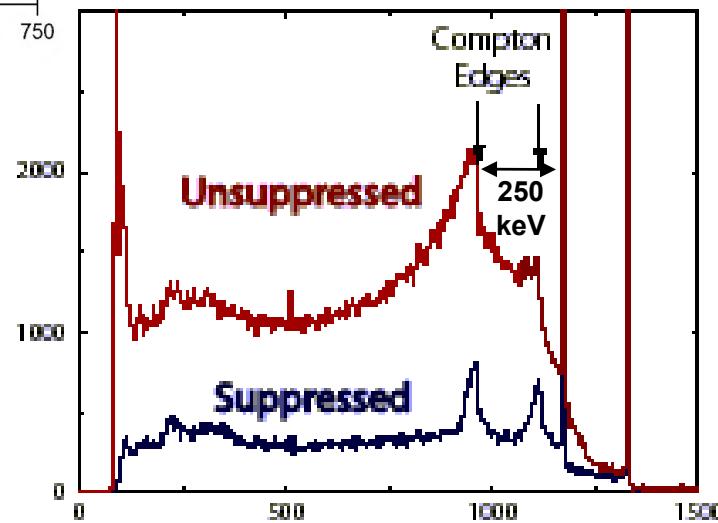
$>2$  kg/crystal



Compton suppressed Ge-detectors  $\rightarrow$  arrays



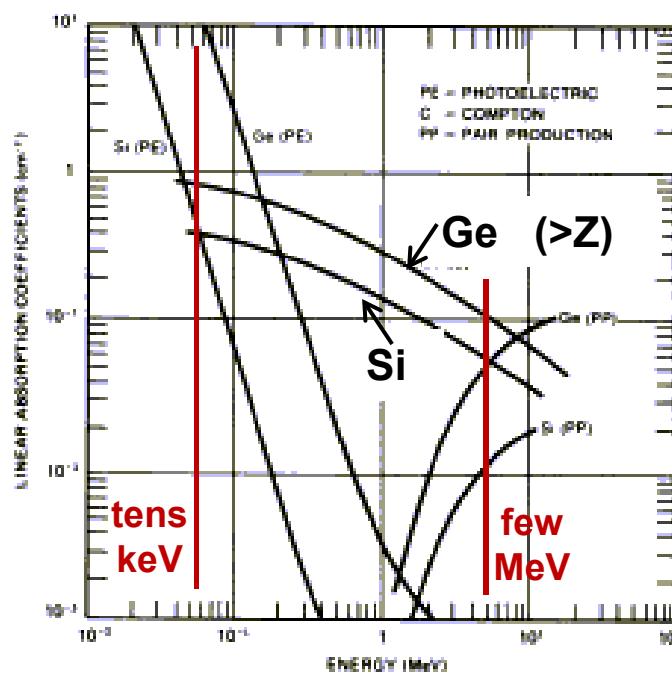
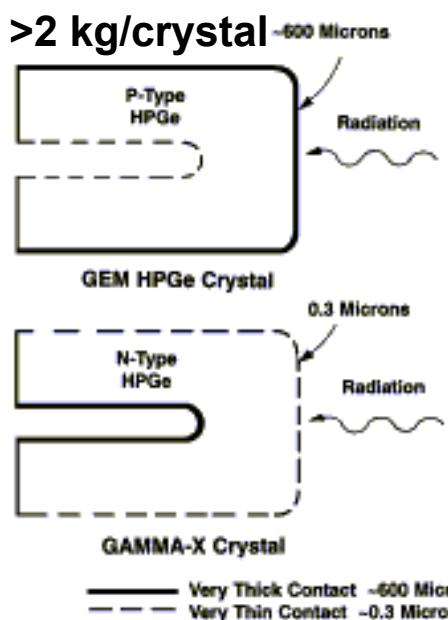
Composite  
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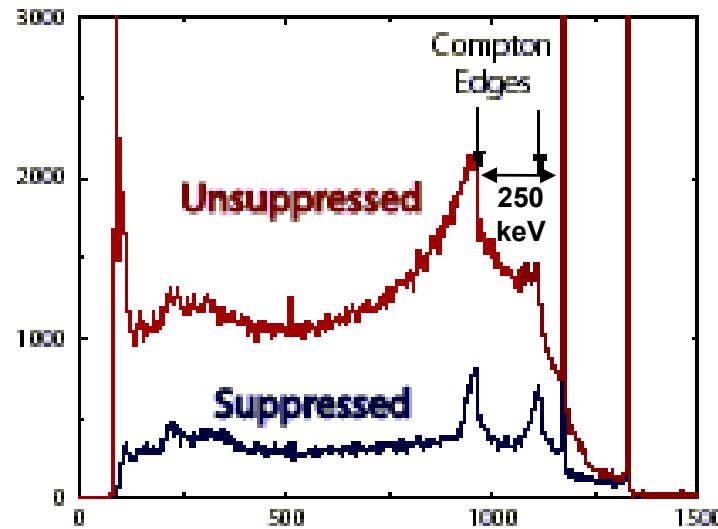
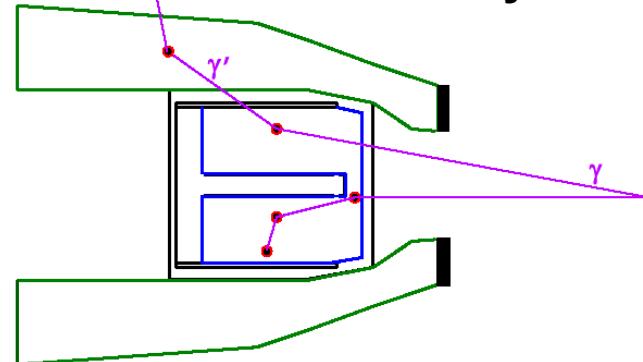
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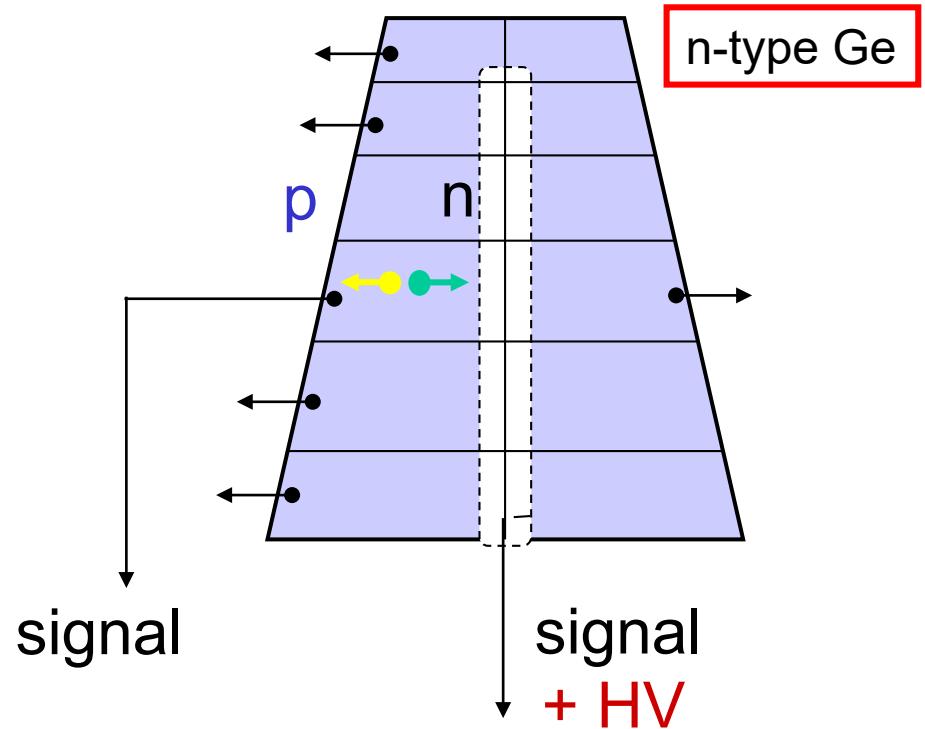
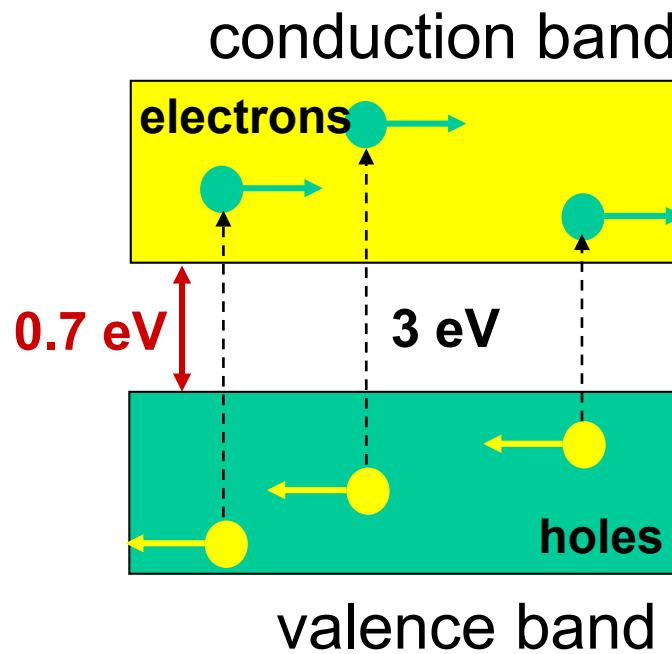
Composite detectors

## Compton suppressed Ge-detectors $\rightarrow$ arrays



# Germanium detector

Sensitivity factors: Energy Resolution, Peak to Total Ratio

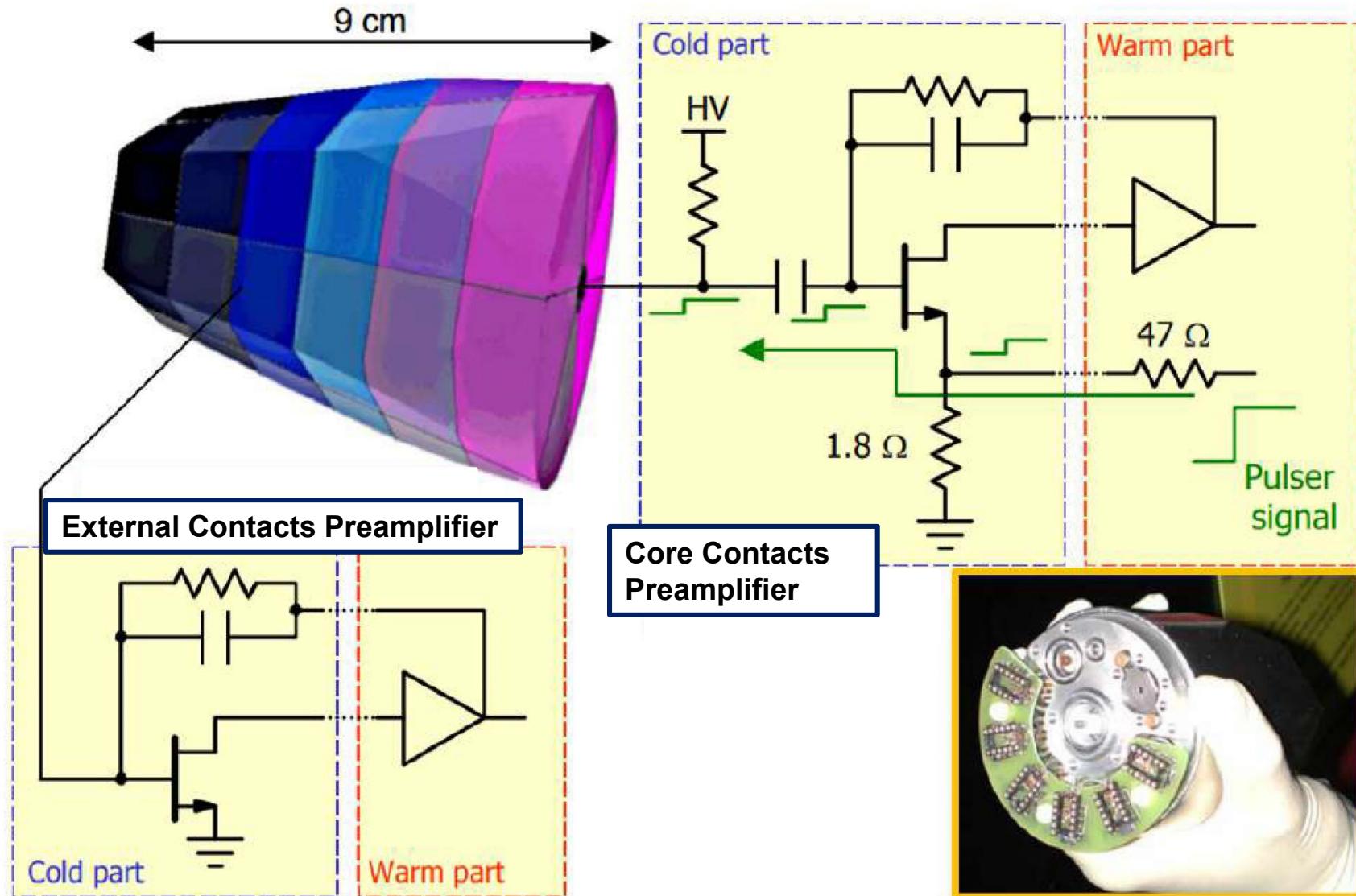


Number of e-h pairs for 1 MeV,  $N = 10^6 / 3 = 3 \times 10^5$

Energy resolution  
(Fano Factor)

$$\sqrt{N}/N = 0.0018 \rightarrow 1.8 \text{ keV} (E_\gamma = 1 \text{ MeV})$$

# Germanium detector Readout



Schematic Readout preamplifier for a detector with multiple external contacts

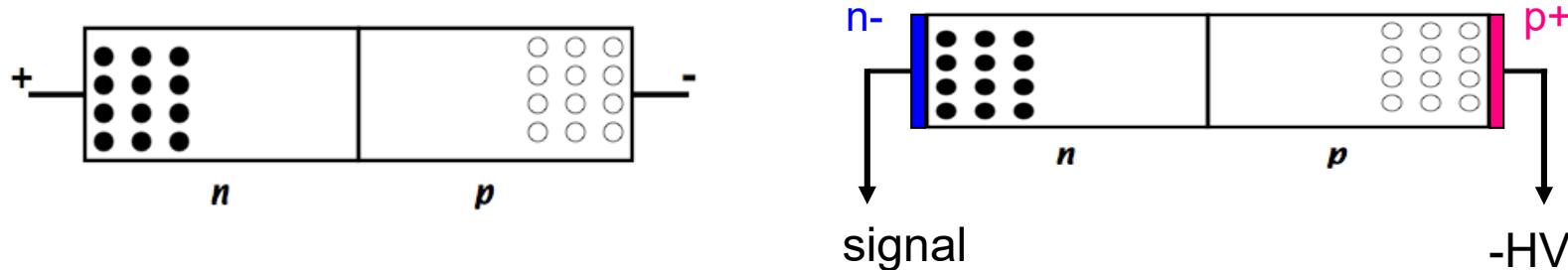
Thermally activated charge carriers in the conduction band density at room temperature  $\sim 2.5 \cdot 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  for Ge ( $\sim 1.5 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  for Si)

To reduce the number of free charge carriers :

=> deplete material: np junction

=> increase depletion by applying a reverse bias

=> for Ge, cool detector with  $\text{LN}_2$  - 77K



$$\text{FWHM}^2 = W_D^2 + W_X^2 + W_E^2 + W_{\text{Doppler}}^2$$

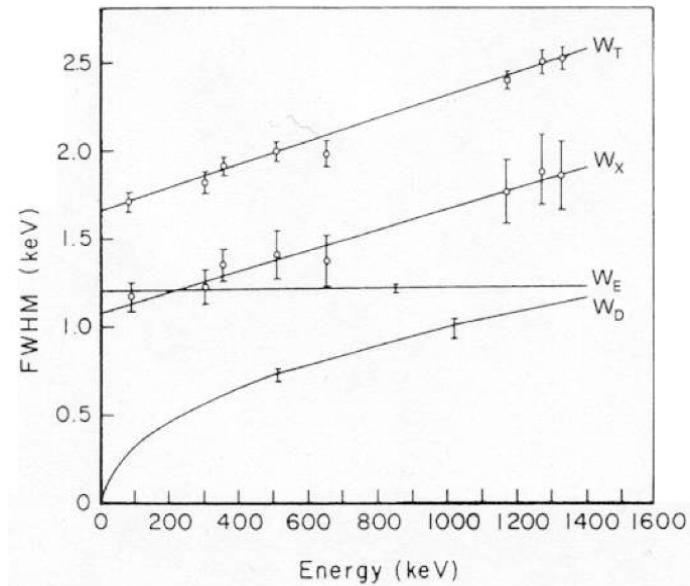
$$W_D = 2.35 \sqrt{F \varepsilon E_\gamma} \text{ Statistical fluctuations of carriers}$$

$\varepsilon = 2.96 \text{ eV} @ 77 \text{ K}$  Fano factor  $F \sim 0.1$   
(not all the deposited energy goes to create e-h pairs)

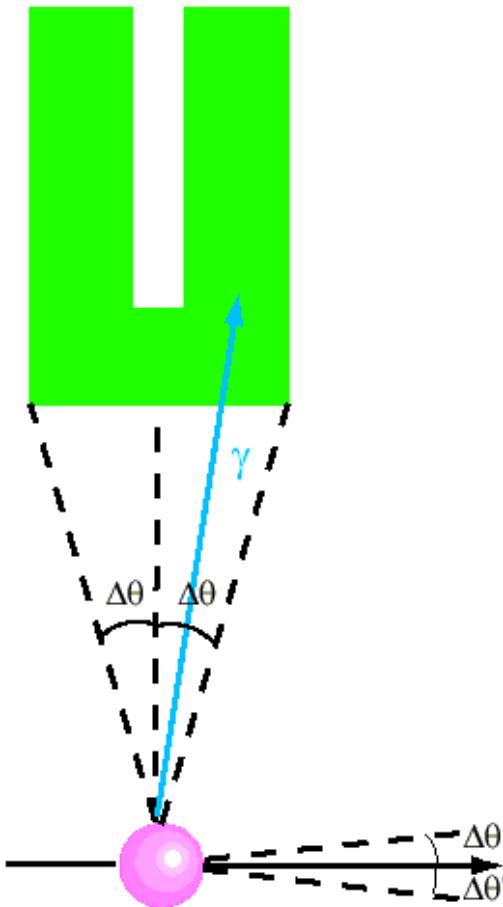
$W_X$  incomplete charge collection

$W_E$  electronic noise

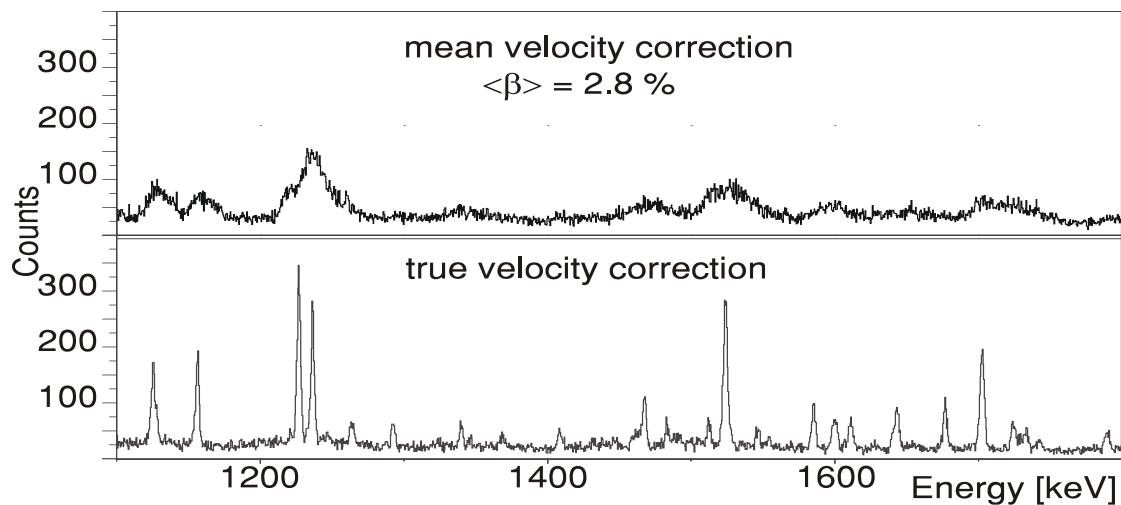
$W_{\text{doppler}}$  Doppler broadening



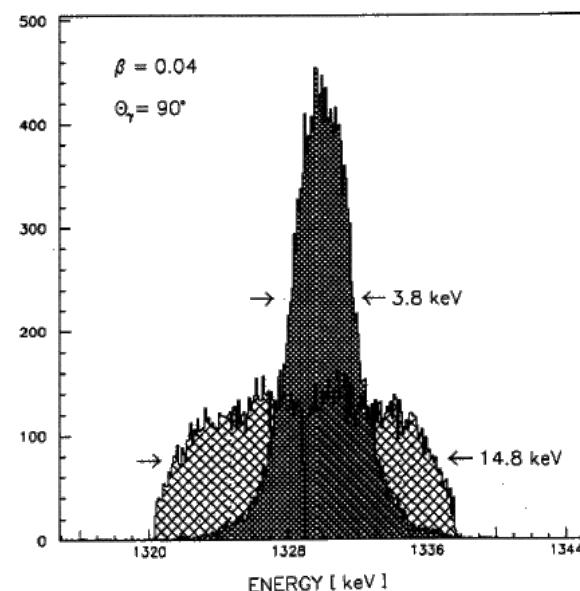
# Doppler Broadening



$$E_s = E_0(1 + v/c \cos \theta)$$
$$\Delta E_s = E_0 v/c \sin \theta \Delta\theta$$

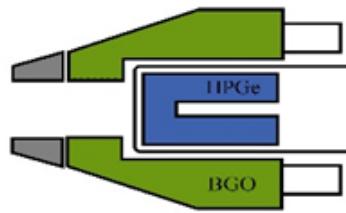


Dedicated ancillary detectors for the determination of the recoil trajectory

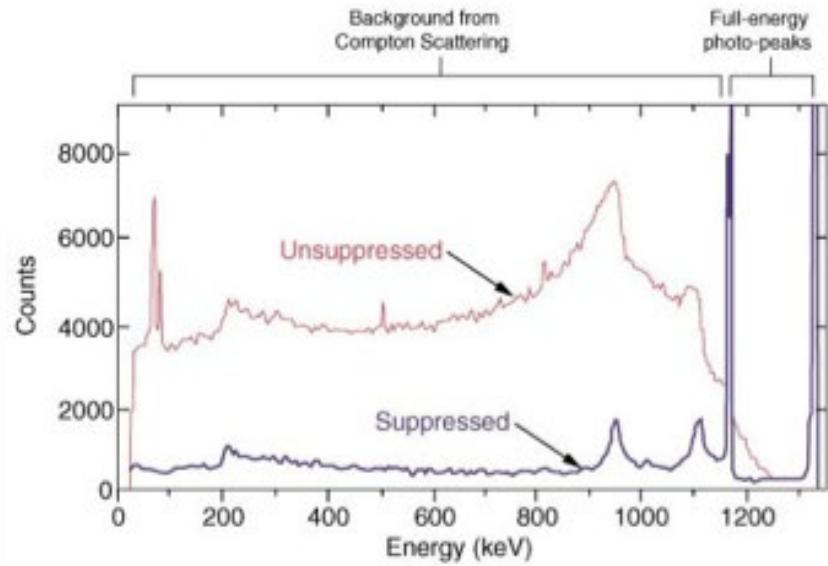
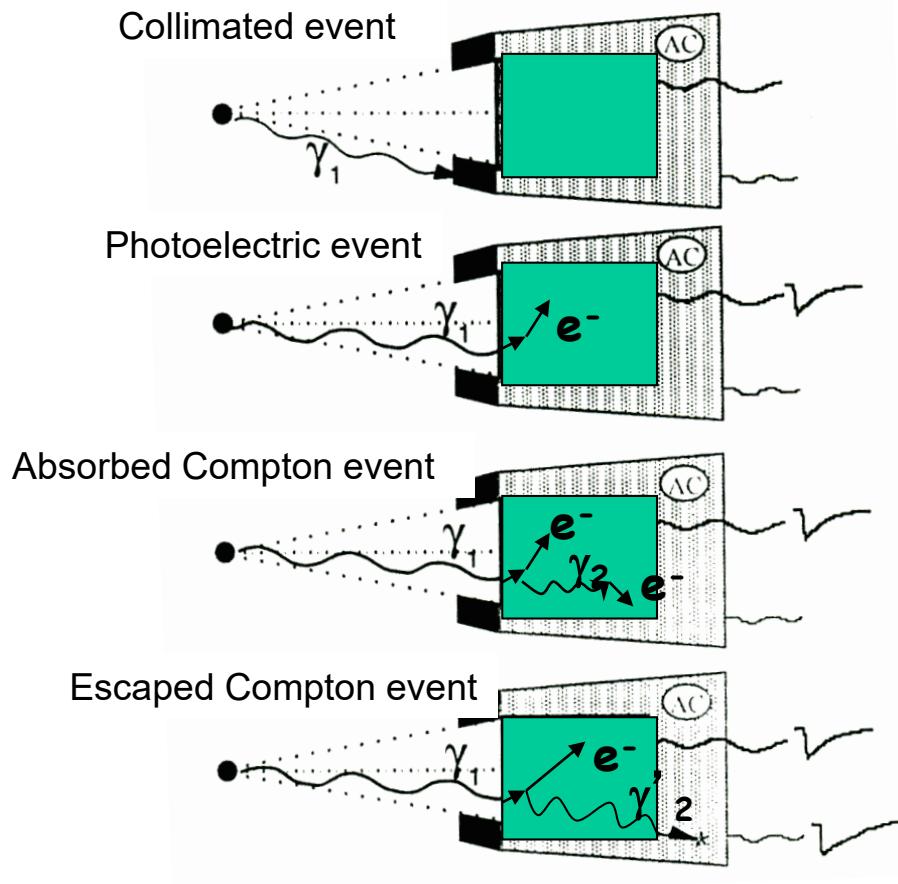


Development of segmented Ge detectors and Pulse Shape Analysis techniques for position determination

# Signal-to-noise ratio and Compton suppression



Early arrays made of  
Ge Detectors with  
Anti-Compton Shield

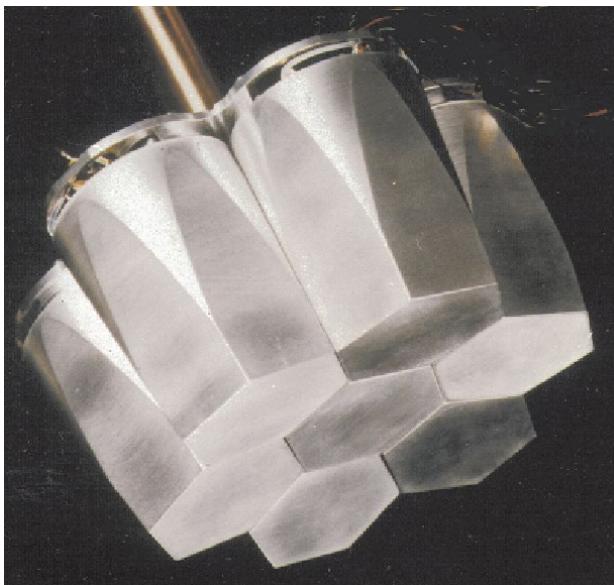
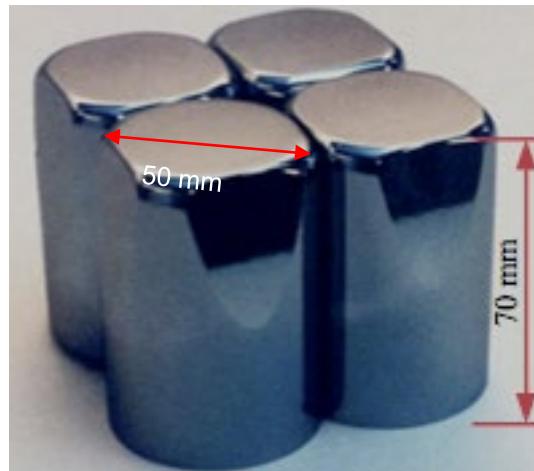


$$P/T \sim 0.2-0.3 \Rightarrow 0.5-0.6$$

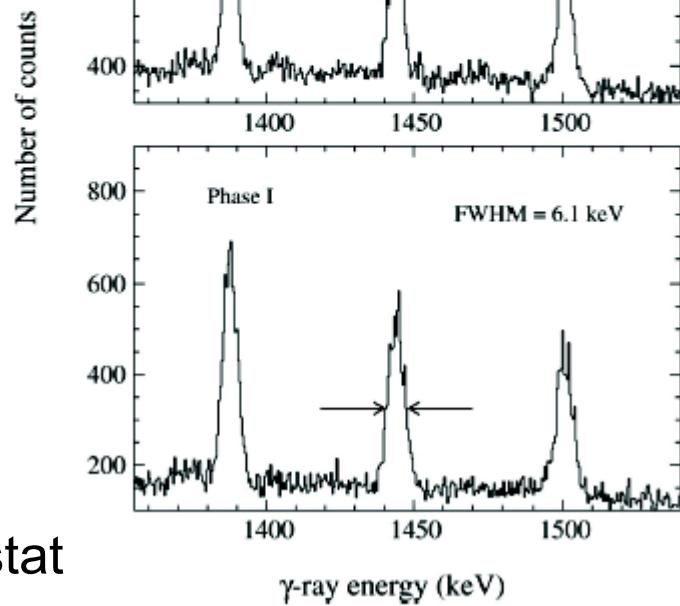
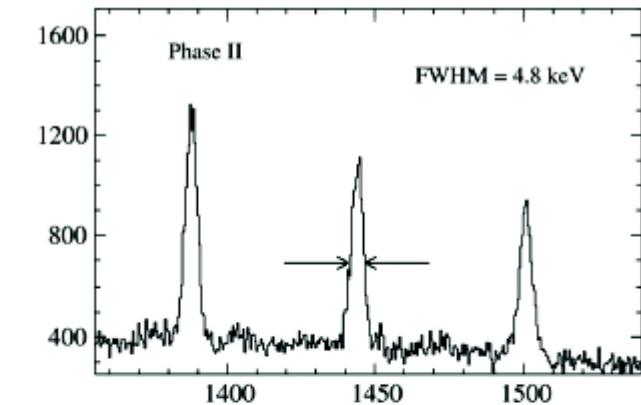
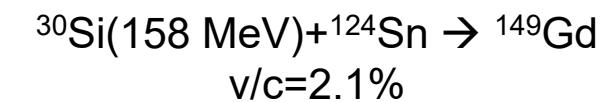
# Composite detectors

=> Reduction of  $\Delta\theta_D$

- Eurogam II
- Clovers:
  - 4 crystals in 1 cryostat

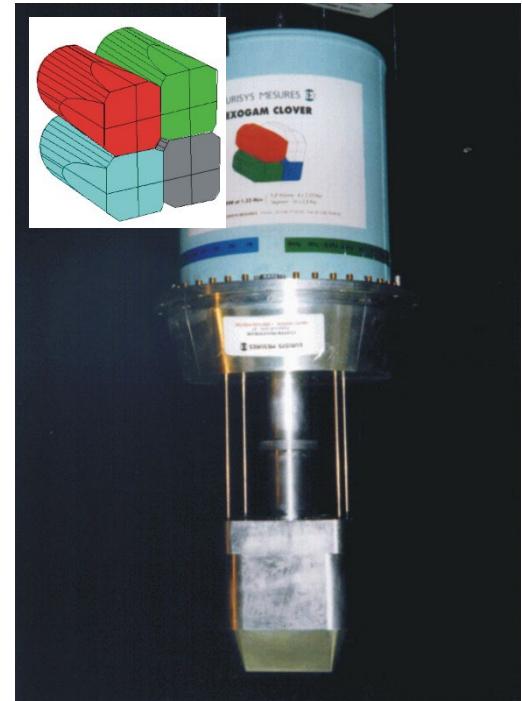
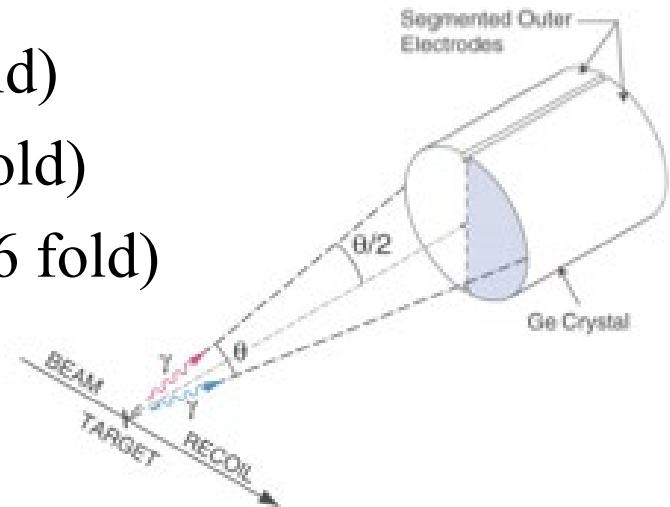
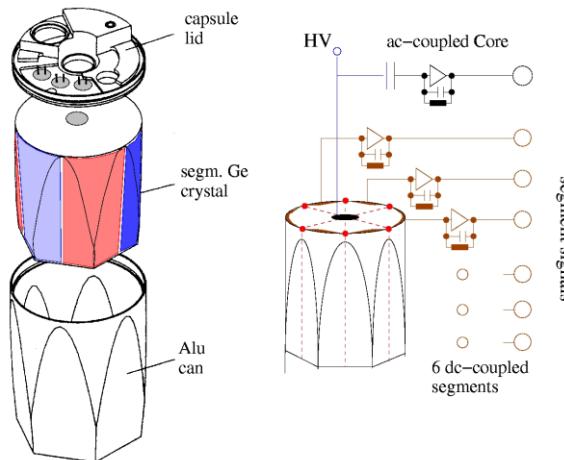
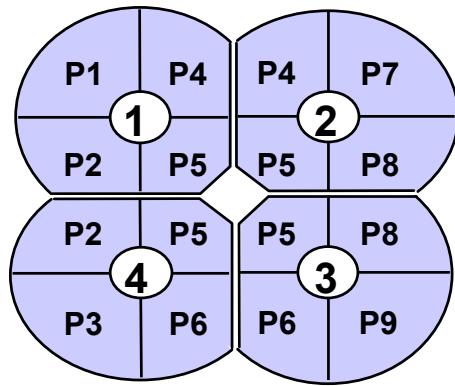
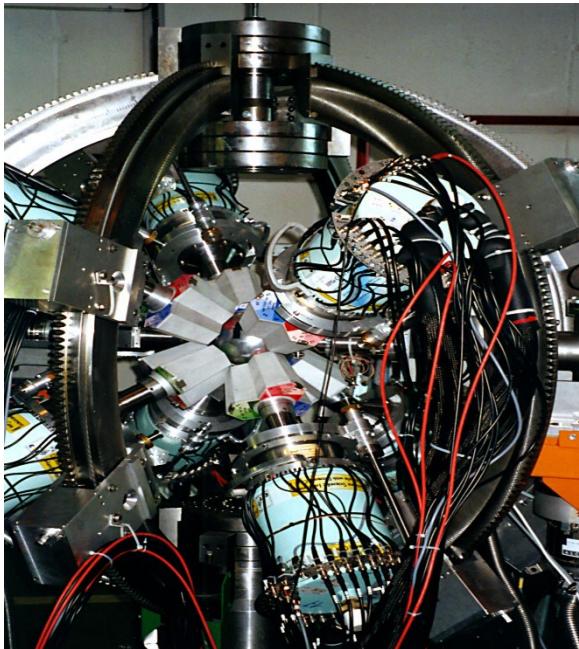


- Euroball
- Clusters:
  - 7 crystals in 1 cryostat



# Electrical Segmentation of detectors

- Gammasphere segmented detector (2 Fold)
- Exogam at Ganil (Segmented Clover 4 fold)
- Miniball at Isolde (Segmented Clusters 6 fold)
- AGATA ?



# Contemporary HR $\gamma$ -Spectroscopy Instrumentation

Late 90's  
Large  $\gamma$ -Arrays



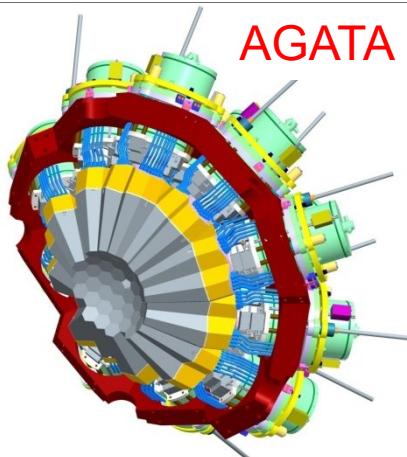
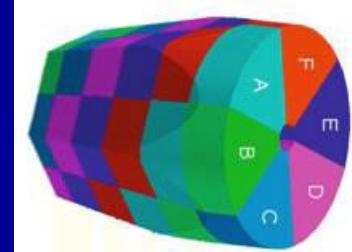
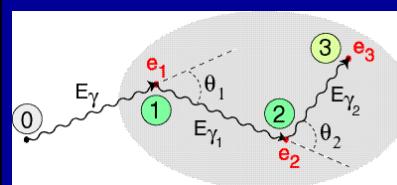
$\varepsilon \sim 10 - 5 \%$   
( $M_\gamma = 1 - M_\gamma = 30$ )

Compact  $\gamma$ -Arrays optimized  
Doppler correction, low  $M_\gamma$



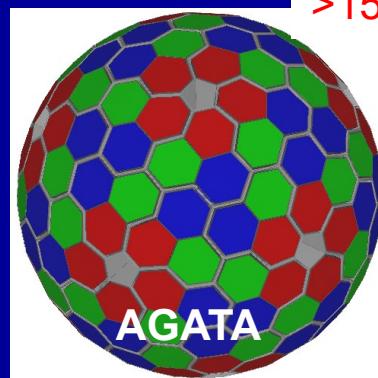
$\varepsilon \sim 20 \%$   $M_\gamma = 1$

Tracking Arrays based on  
Position Sensitive Ge Detectors



AGATA

Two Tracking Arrays projects:  
GRETA (USA) & AGATA (EU)



>15y R&D

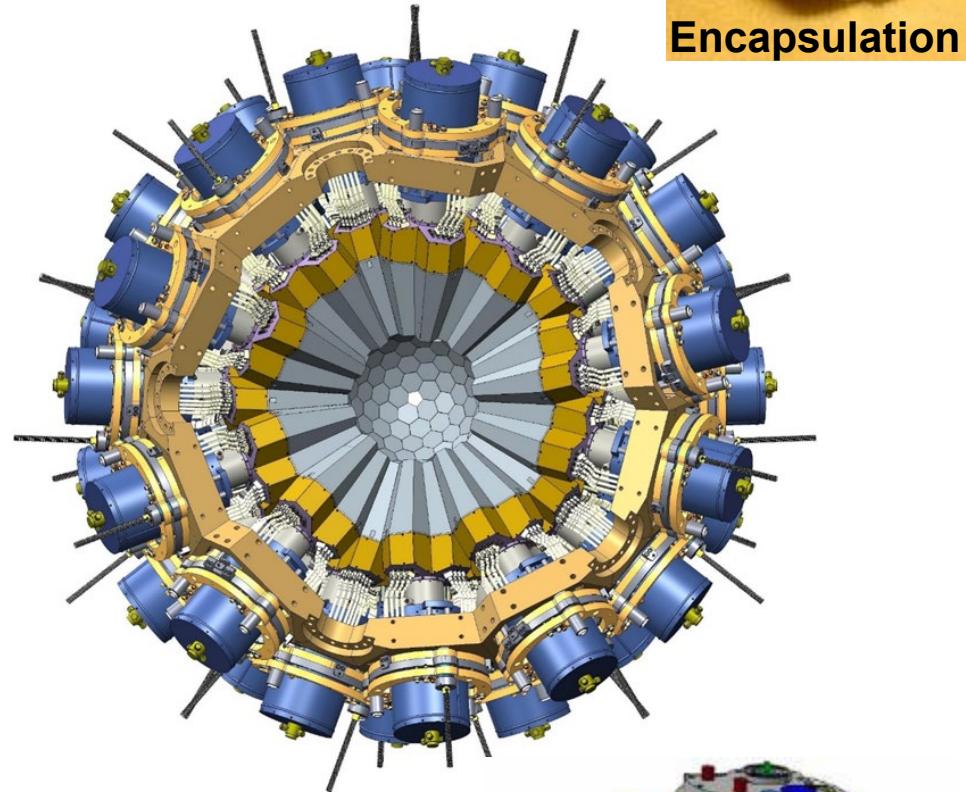
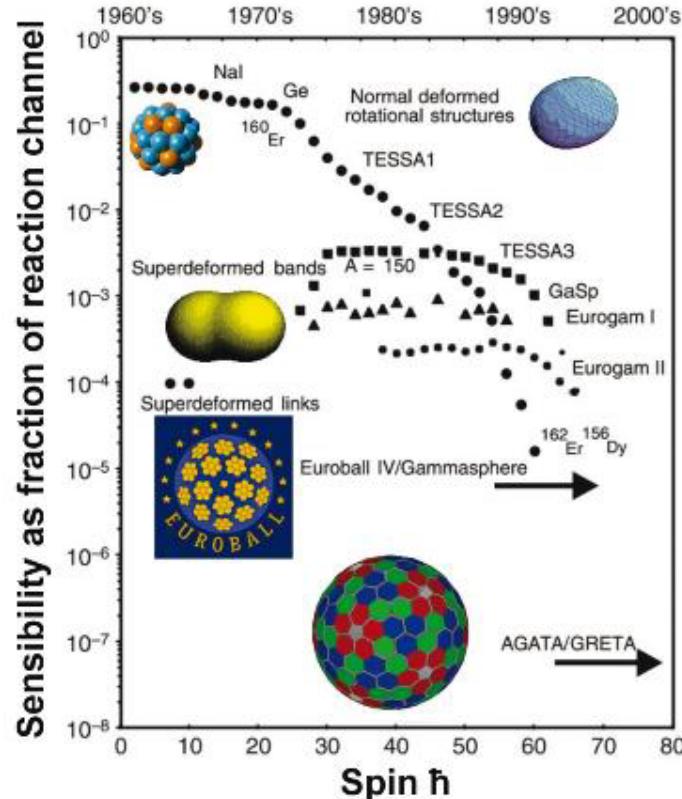


$\varepsilon \sim 40 - 20 \%$   
( $M_\gamma = 1 - M_\gamma = 30$ )



# AGATA

## (Advanced GAMma Tracking Array)



Encapsulation

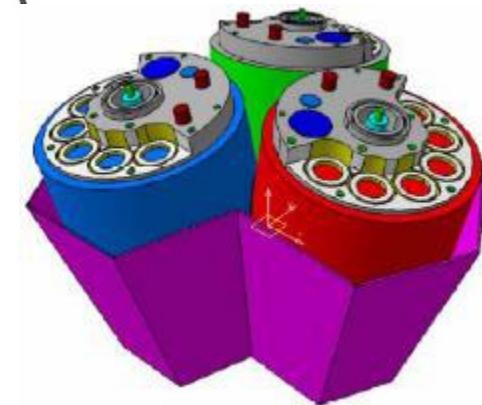
180 Large Volume Encapsulated 36-fold segmented HP-Ge

6660 high-resolution digital electronics channels

High throughput DAQ

Pulse Shape Analysis → position sensitive operation mode

γ-ray tracking algorithms → maximum efficiency and P/T

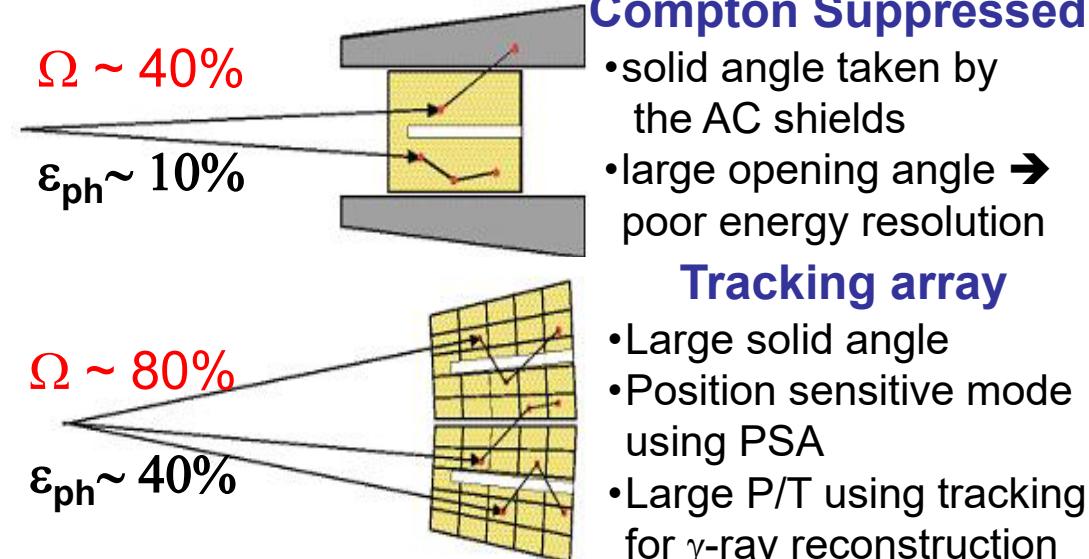
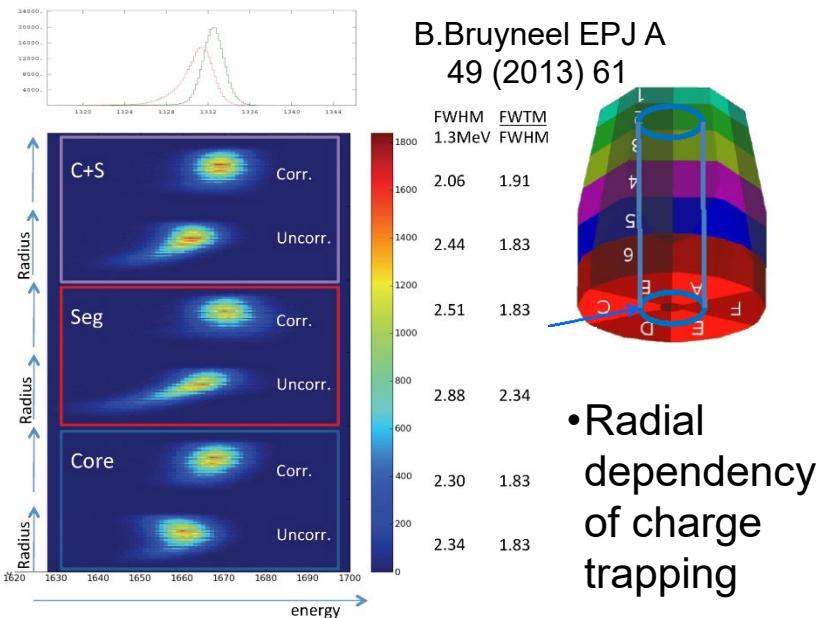


# Tracking Arrays Aiming for Accuracy

## Conditions:

- Low intensity for the nuclei of interest / require high sensitivity
- High background levels
- Large Doppler broadening (specially in in-flight facilities)
- High counting rates (digital FEE)
- High  $\gamma$ -ray multiplicities (Tracking)

### Correction of neutron damage



## Compton Suppressed

- solid angle taken by the AC shields
- large opening angle → poor energy resolution

## Tracking array

- Large solid angle
- Position sensitive mode using PSA
- Large P/T using tracking for  $\gamma$ -ray reconstruction

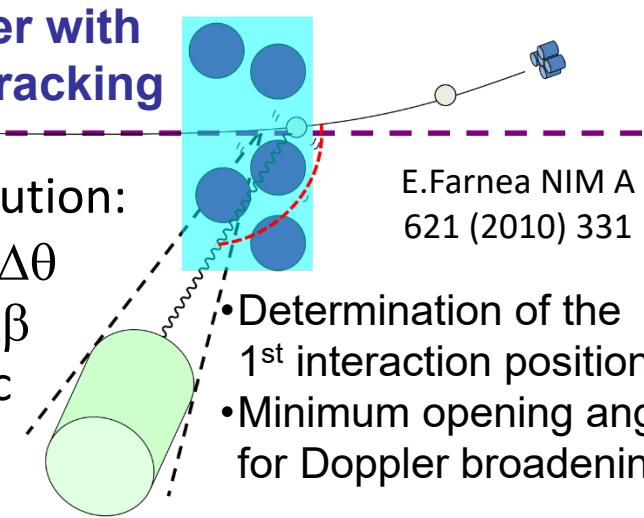
## Doppler with PSA + Tracking

### Total Resolution:

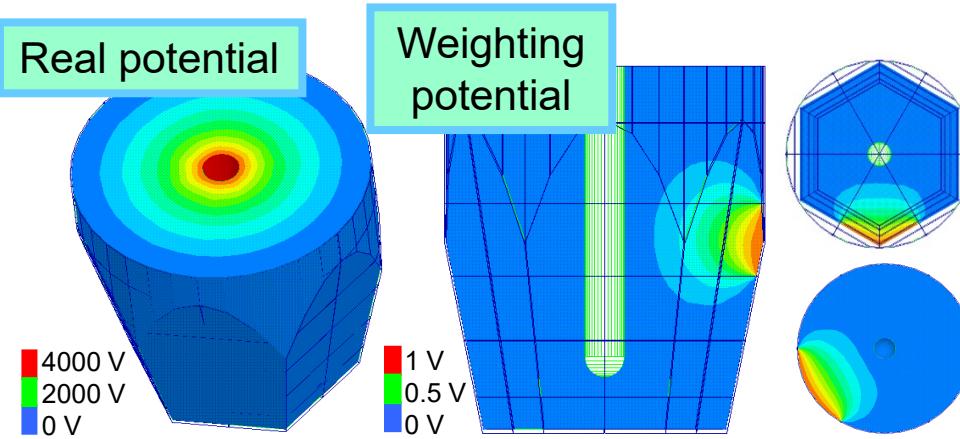
Opening  $\Delta\theta$

Recoil  $\Delta\beta$

Intrinsic

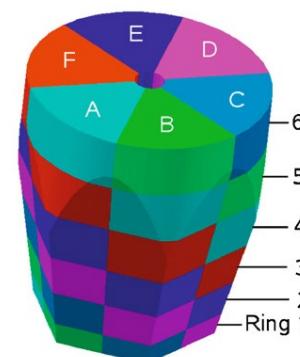
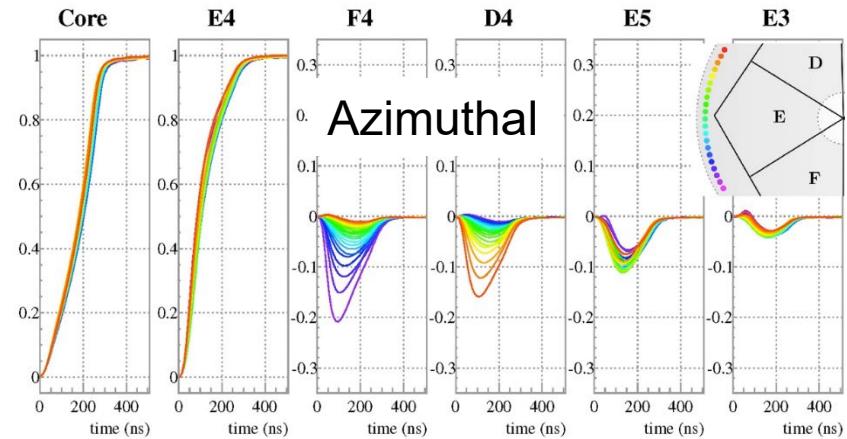
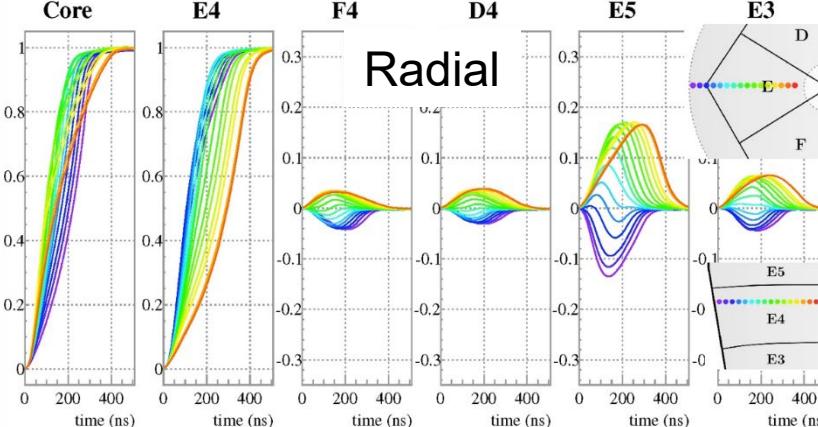
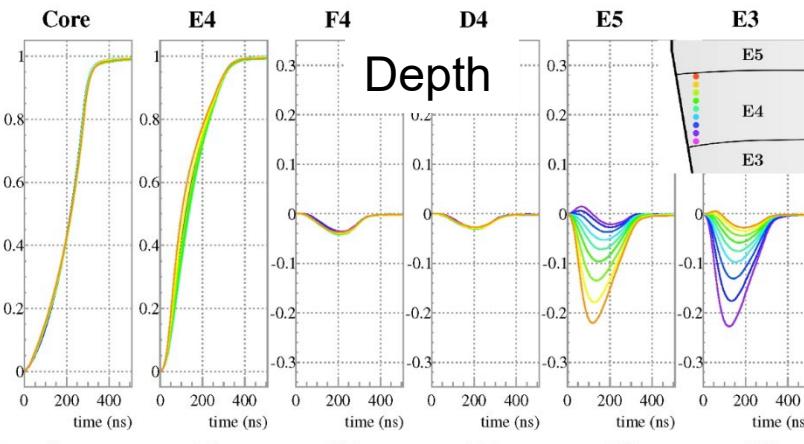


# Position Sensitive Detector for $\gamma$ -rays



Induced current by the moving charge in the sensing contact  $\rightarrow$  weighting potential Ramo's Theorem.  $i_k = -q\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \phi_k(r_q)$

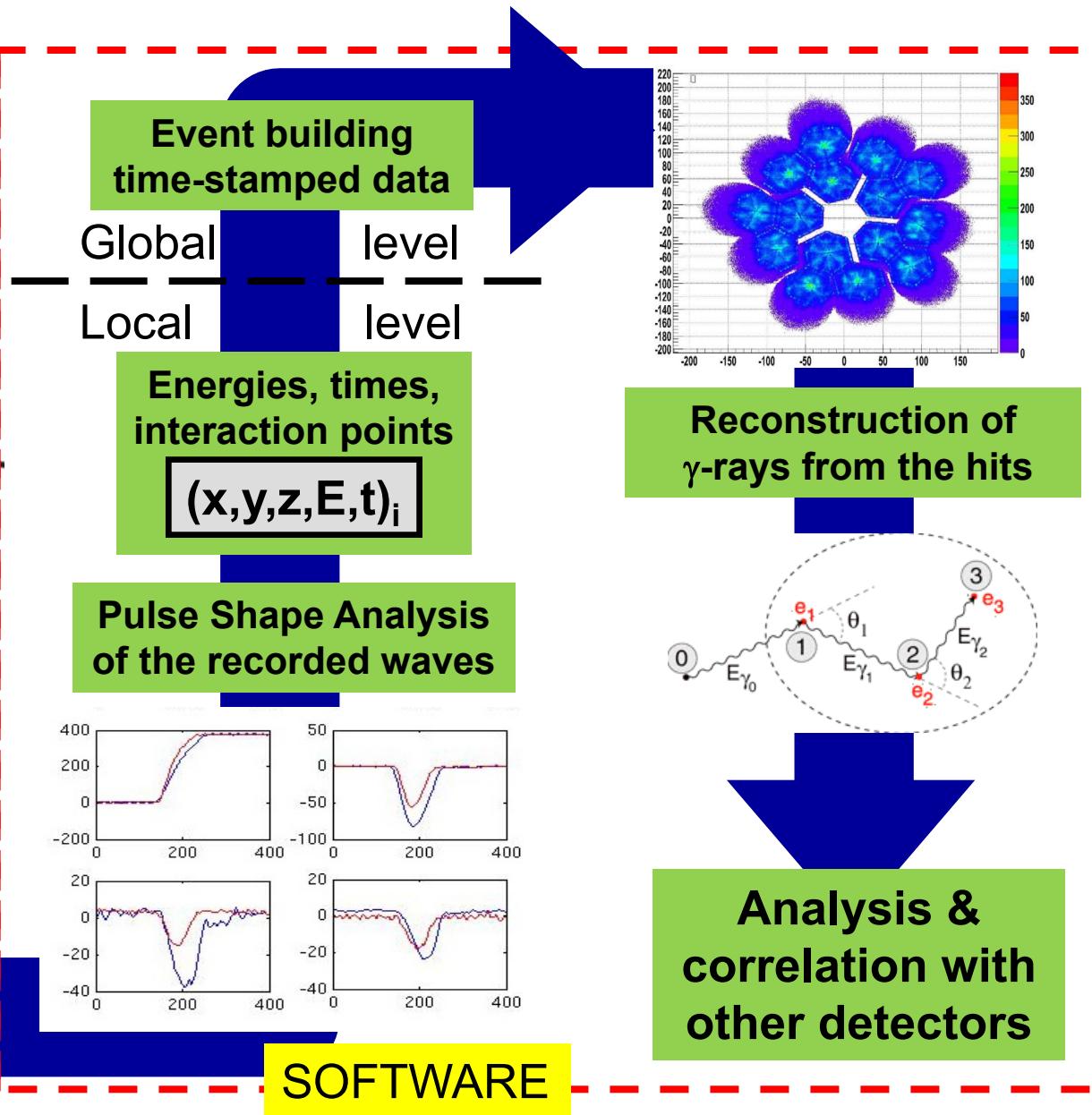
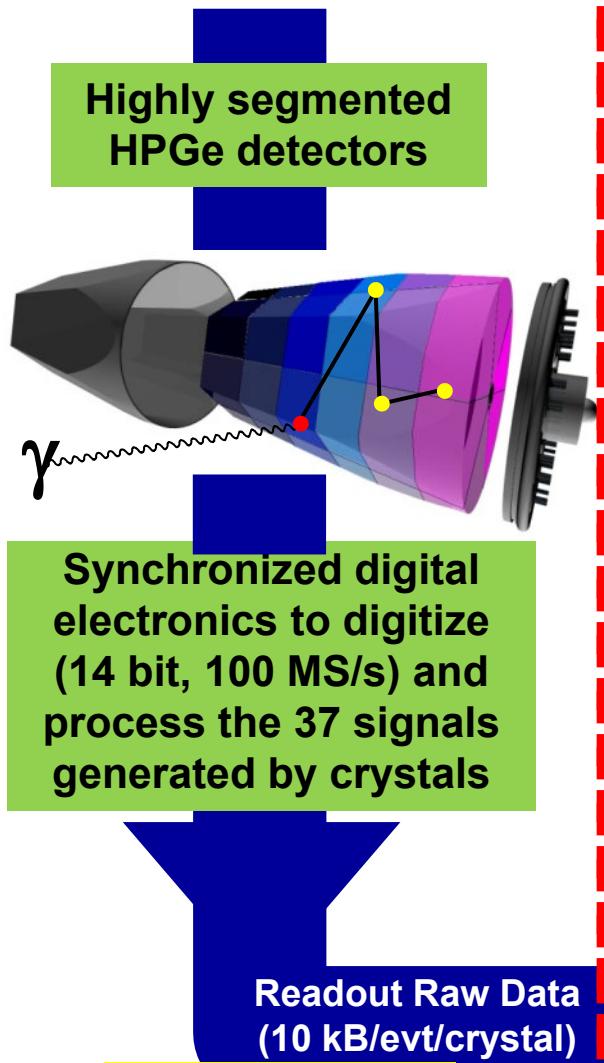
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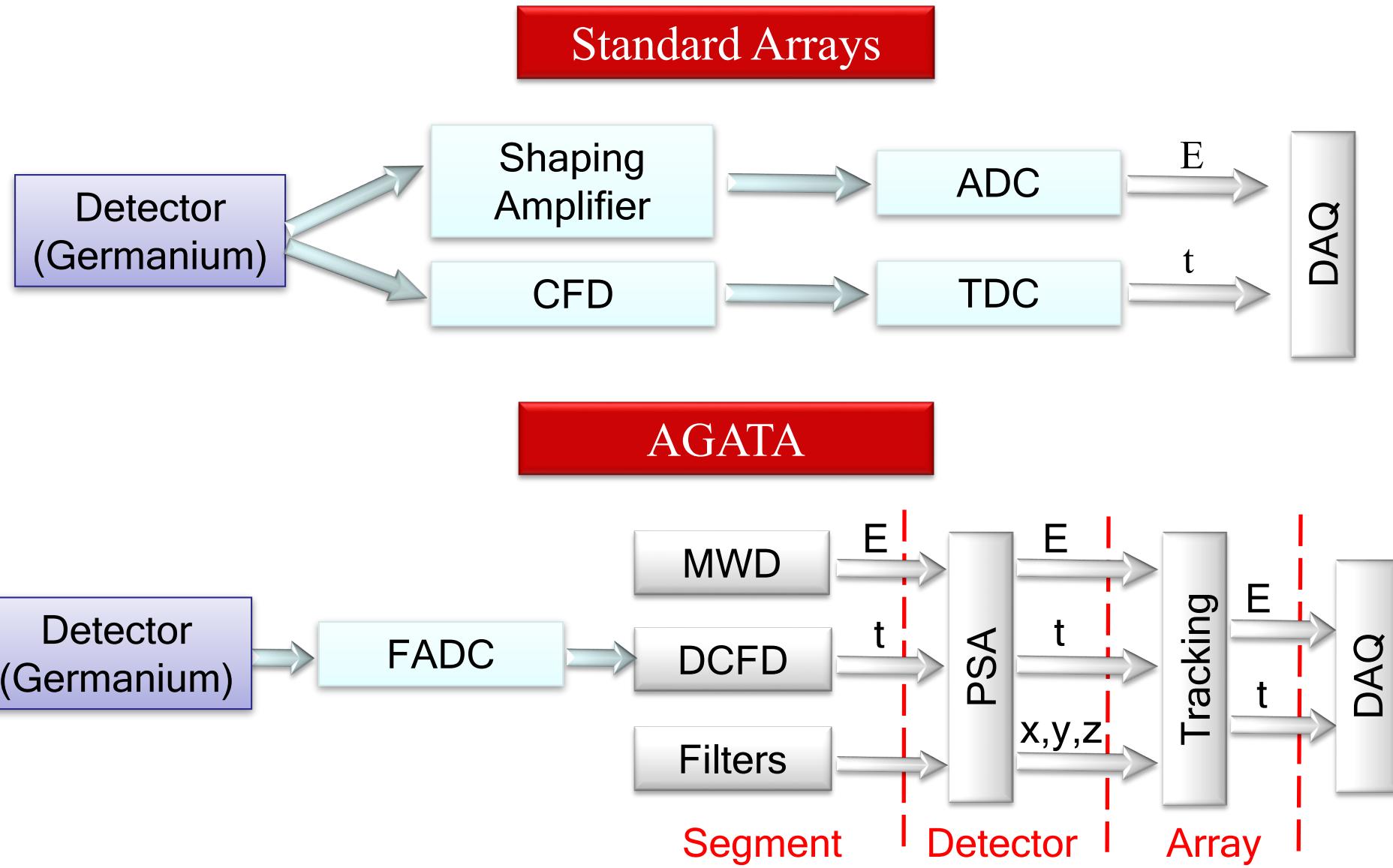
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# Gamma Tracking Array Concept

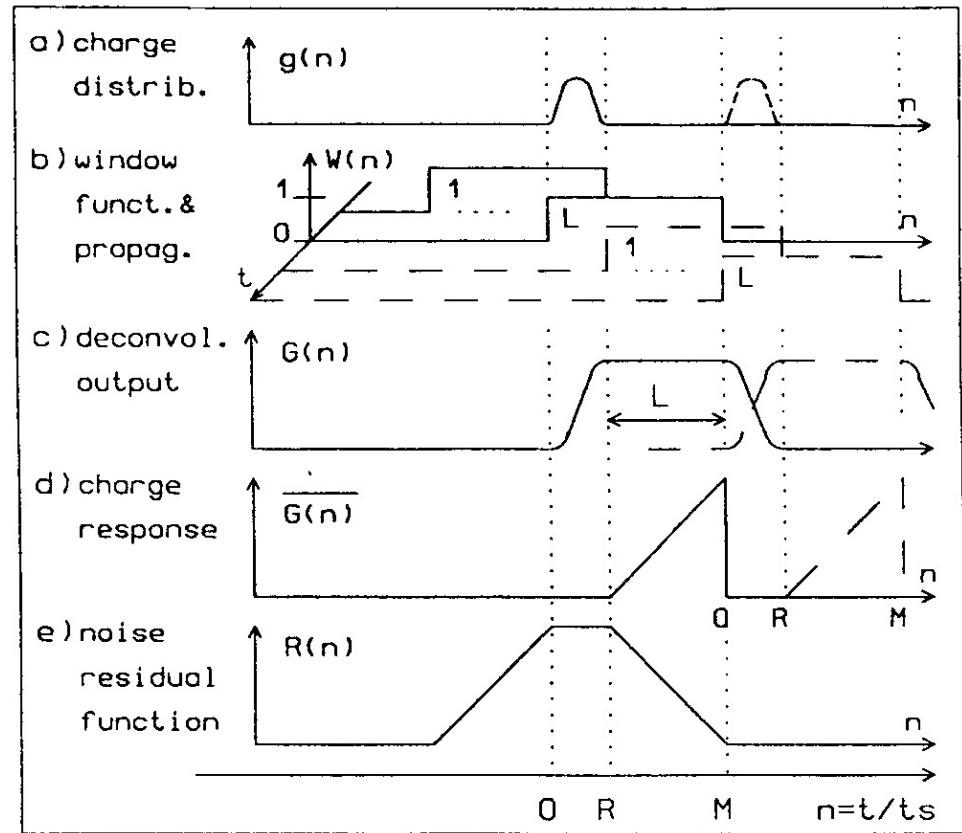


# Analogue vs Digital Electronics



# Energy with Digital signals: Moving Window Deconvolution

- removes shaping-effect of preamplifier  
⇒ current signal recovered
- calculates real collected charge by integrating current signal integration carried out within a moving window to avoid summation of events
- noise-suppression by averaging charge signal
- recursive algorithm

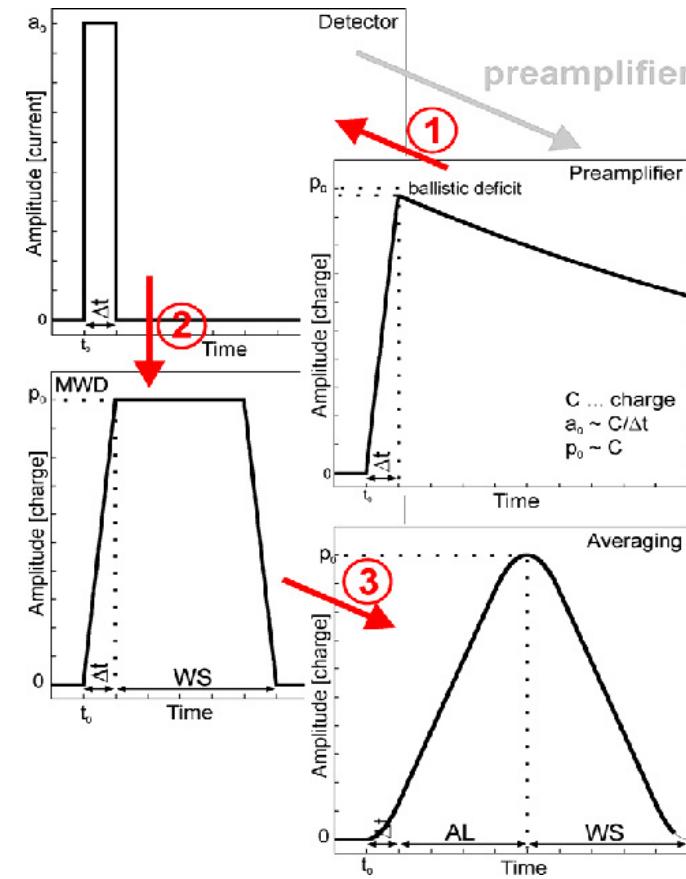


$$G[n] = G[n - 1] + \text{FADC}[n] - k \times \text{FADC}[n - 1] - \text{FADC}[n - L] + k \times \text{FADC}[n - L - 1]$$

$$K = \text{pre-amplifier response (e}^{-\alpha}\text{)}$$

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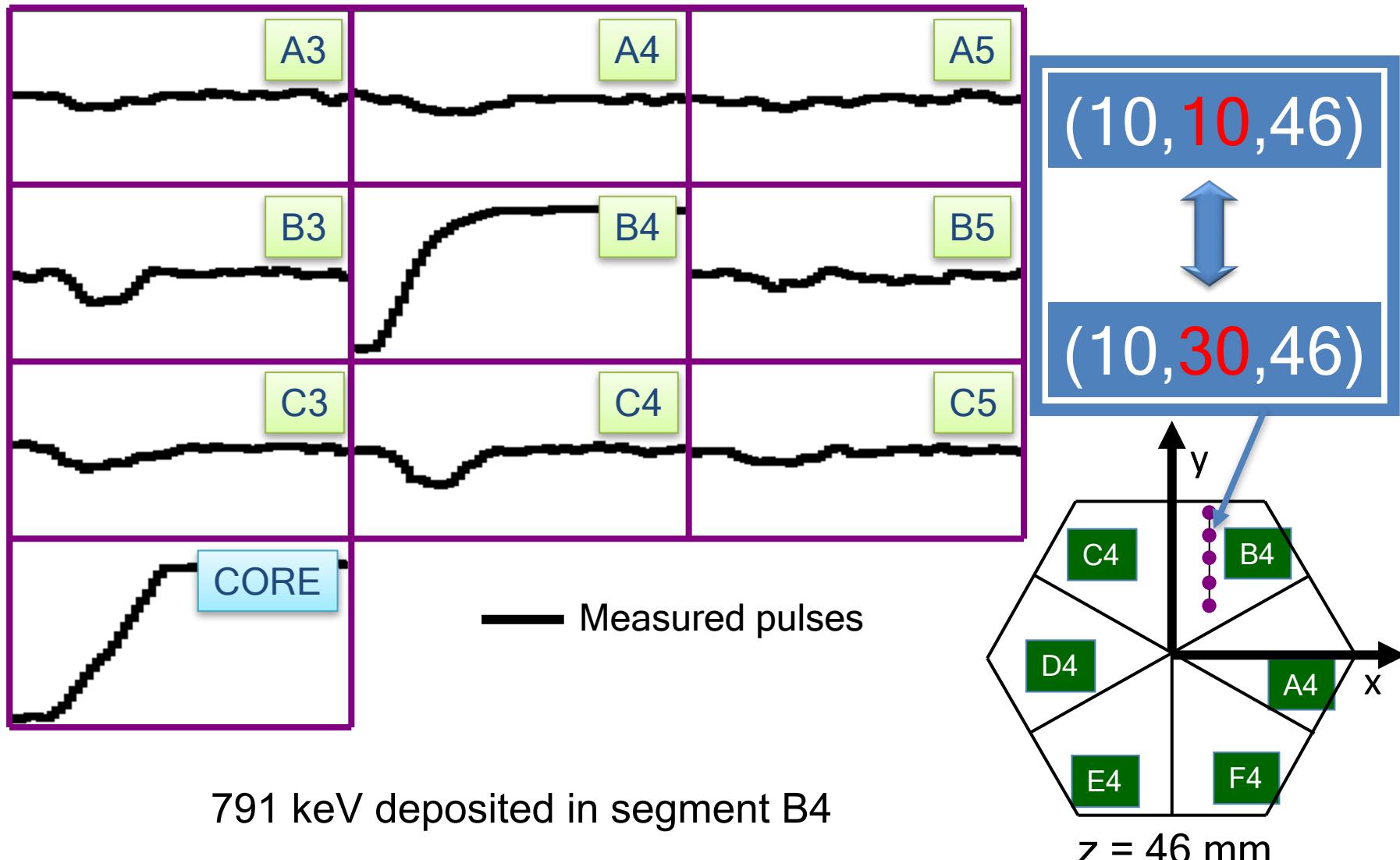
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# Digital Pulse Processing for typical functions

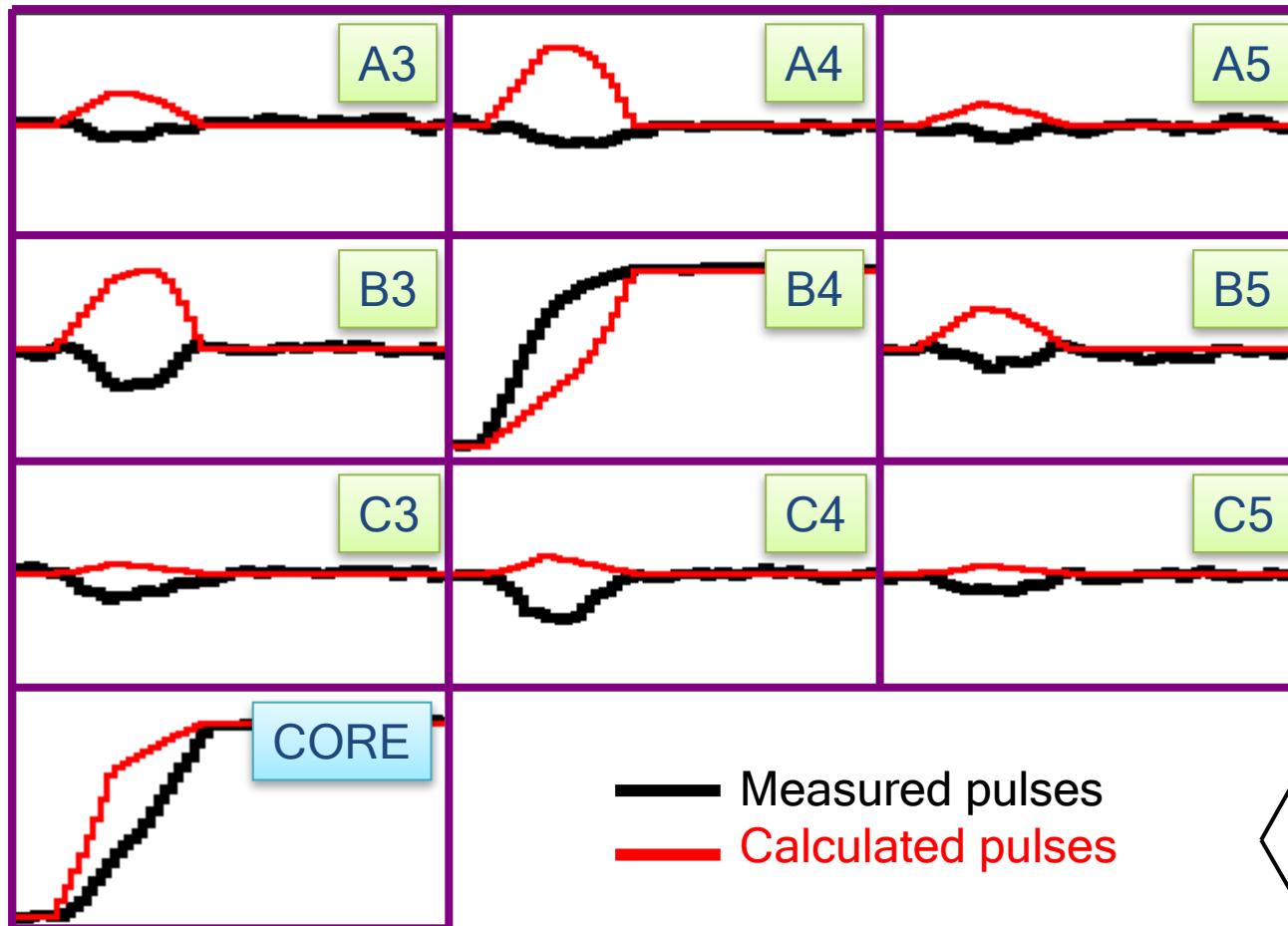
- *Leading Edge Discrimination:*
  - $y[n] = x[n] - x[n-k]$  (*differentiation*)
  - $y[n] = (x[n] + x[n-2]) + x[n-1] << 1$  (*Gaussian filtering*)
  - Threshold comparison → LED time
- *Constant Fraction Discrimination:*
  - $y[n] = x[n] - x[n-k]$  (*differentiation*)
  - $y[n] = (x[n] + x[n-2]) + x[n-1] << 1$  (*Gaussian filtering*)
  - $y[n] = x[n-k] << a - x[n]$  (*constant fraction*)
  - Zero crossing comparison → CFD time

# Pulse Shape Analysis Concept



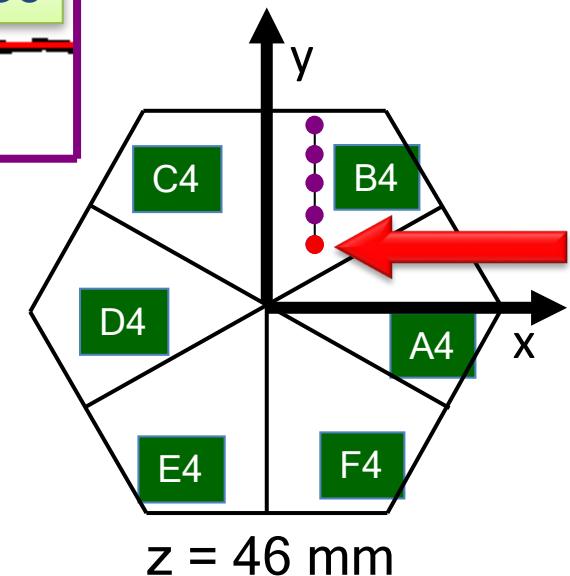
**Very Important: Measured pulses need to be time aligned**

# Pulse Shape Analysis Concept

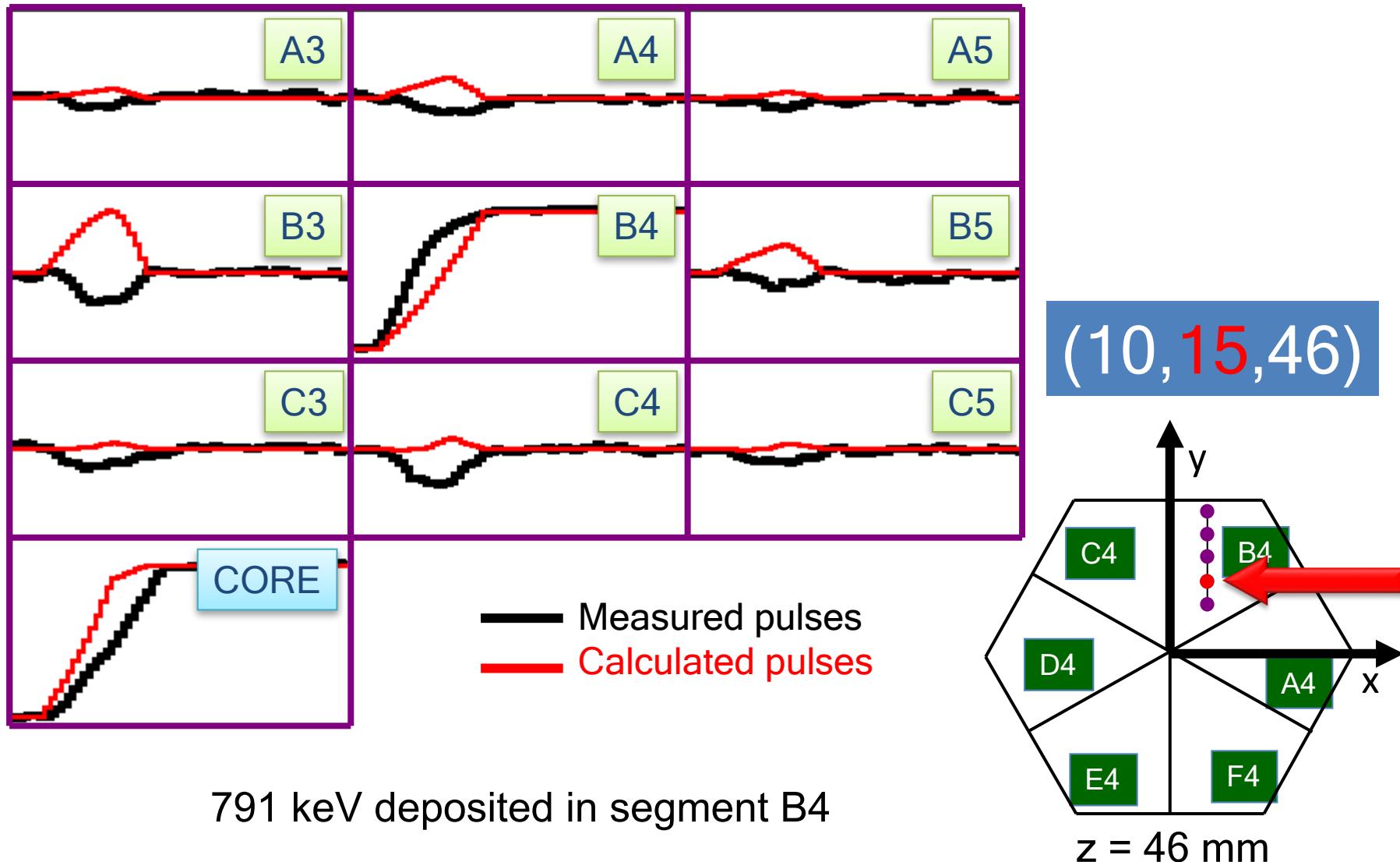


791 keV deposited in segment B4

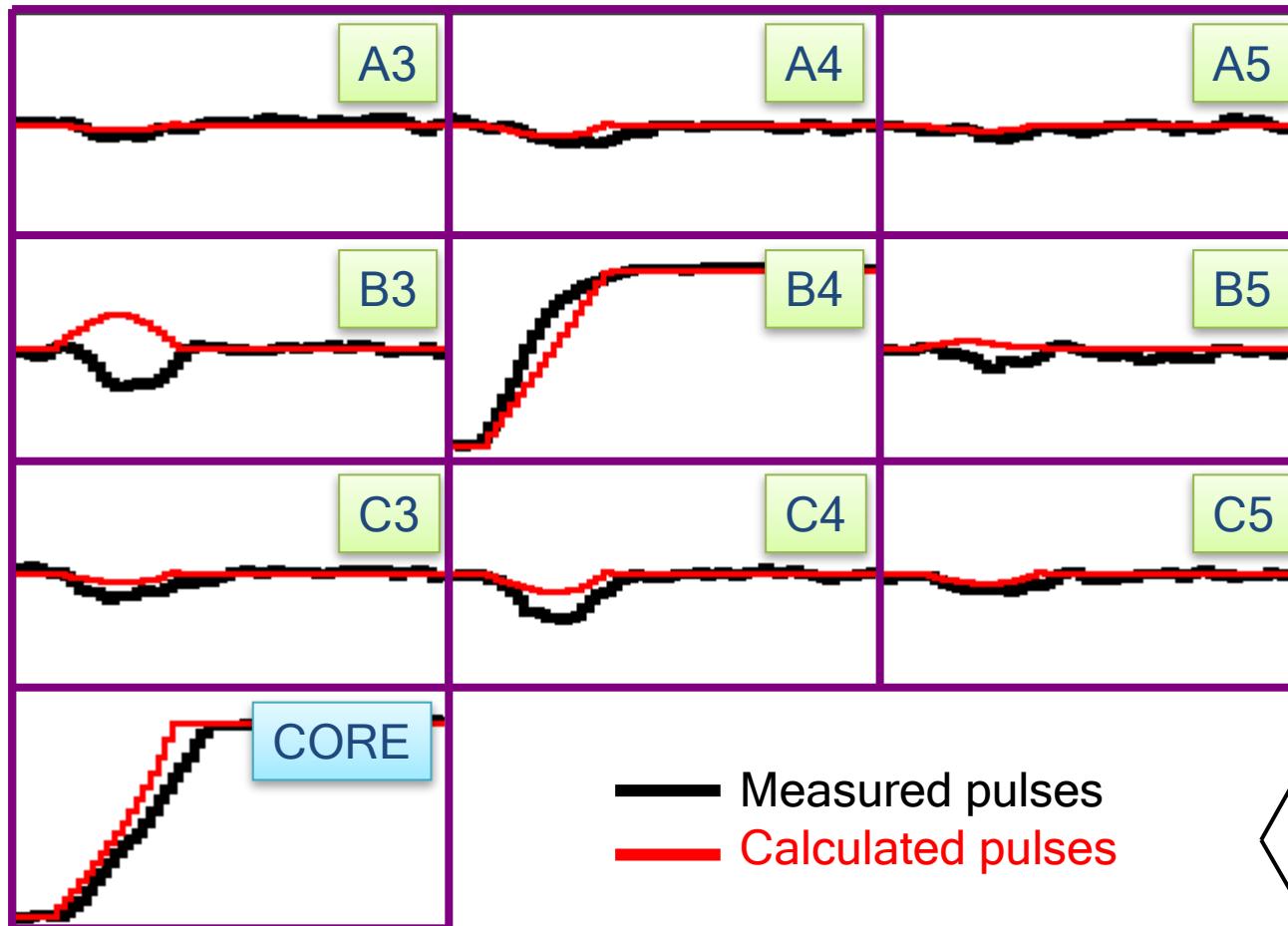
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# Pulse Shape Analysis Concept

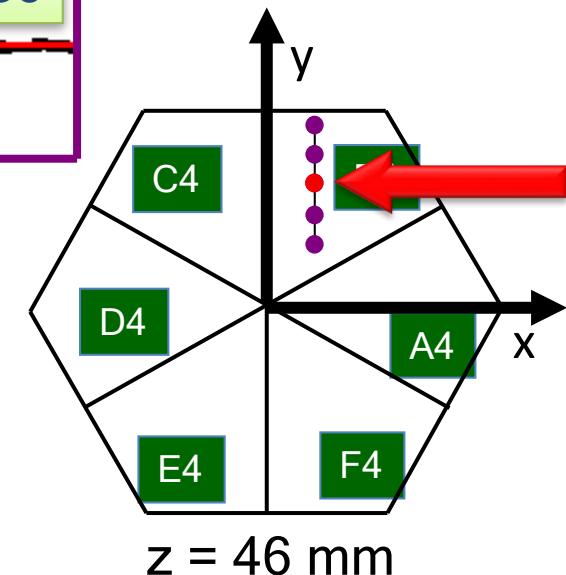


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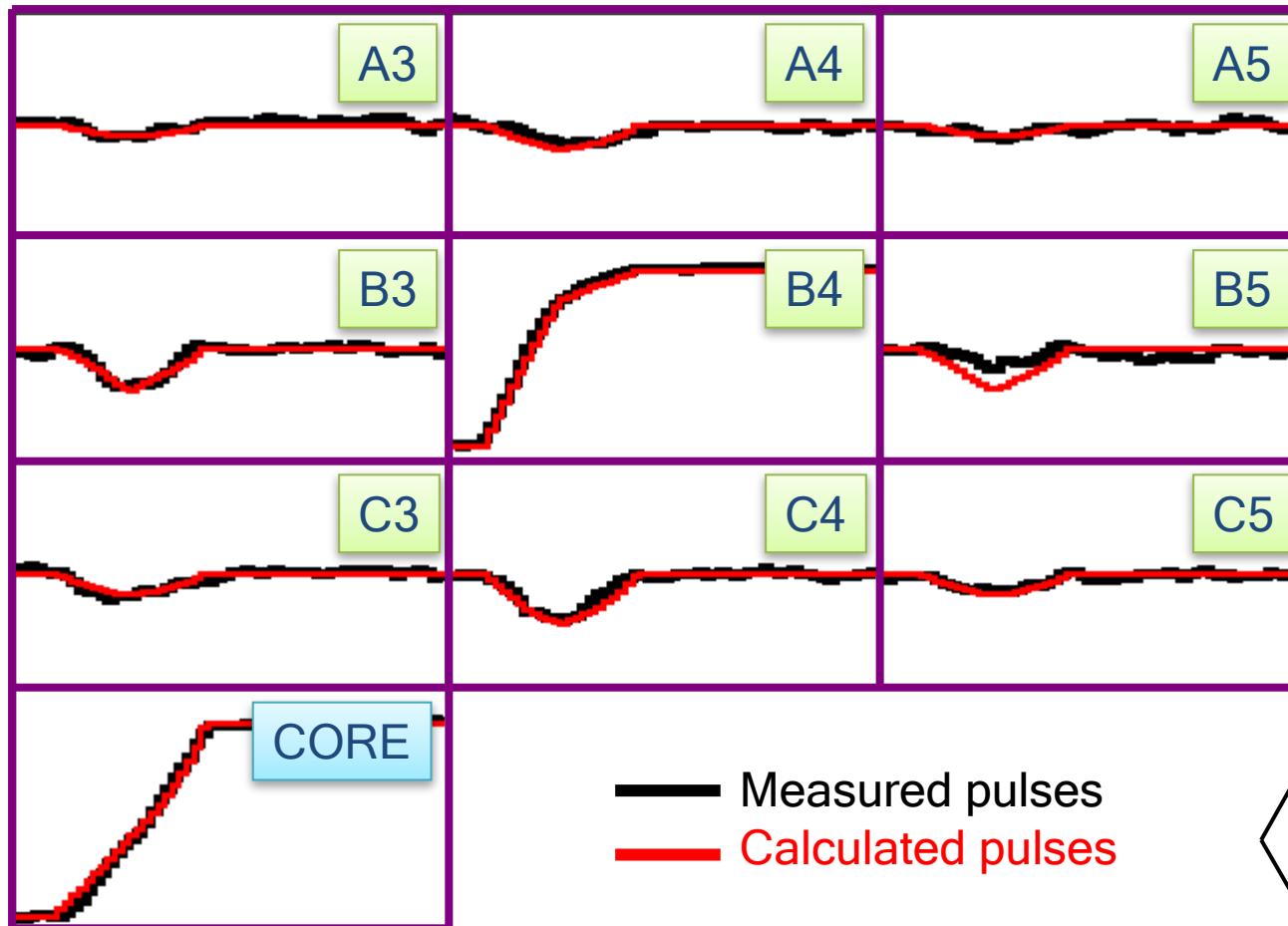


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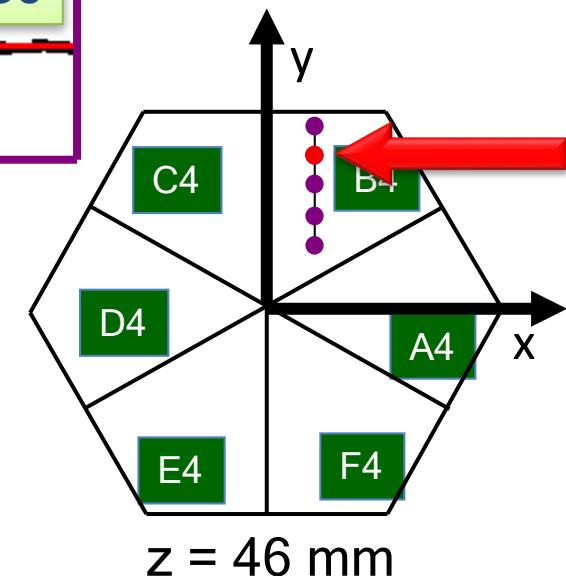


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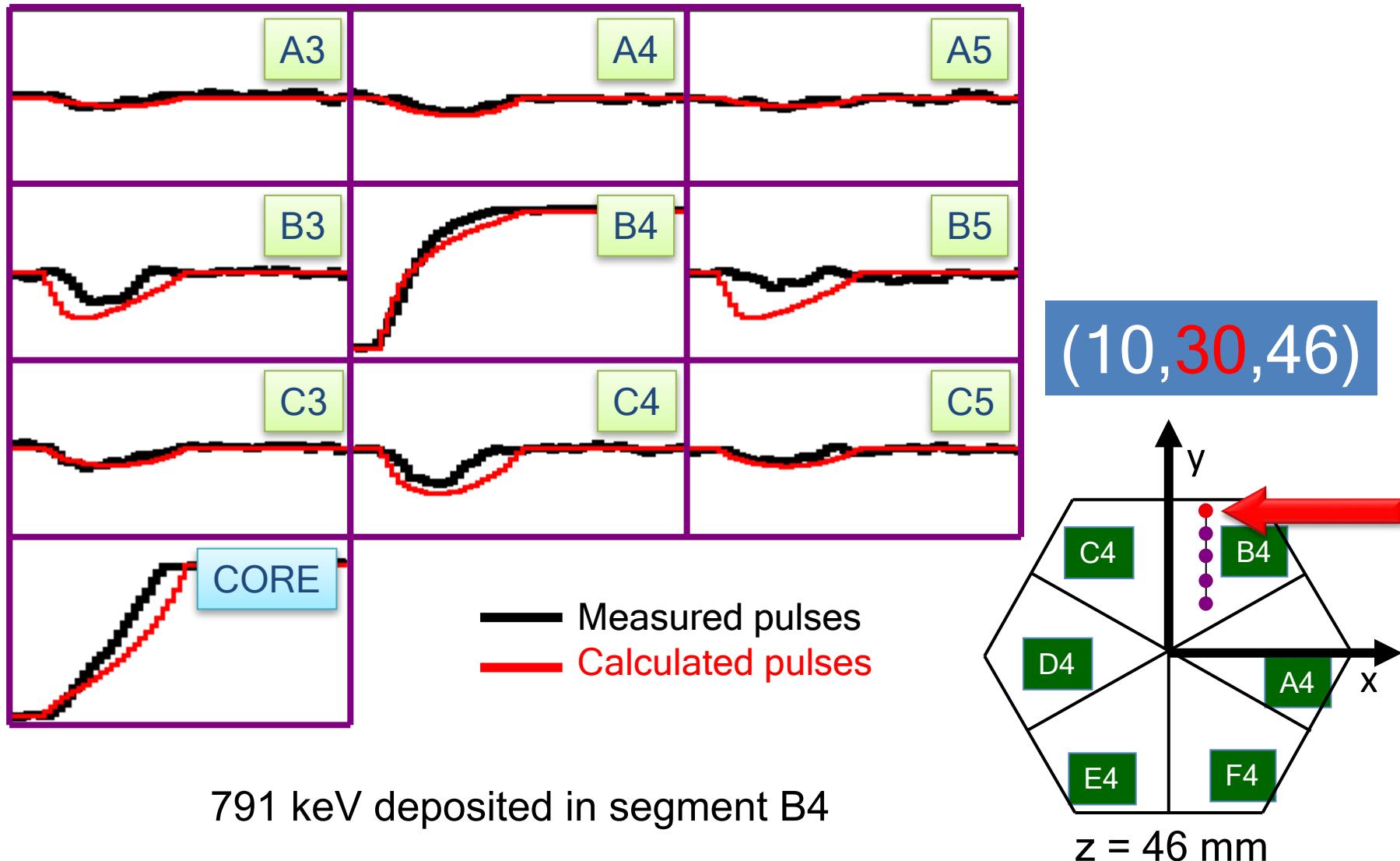


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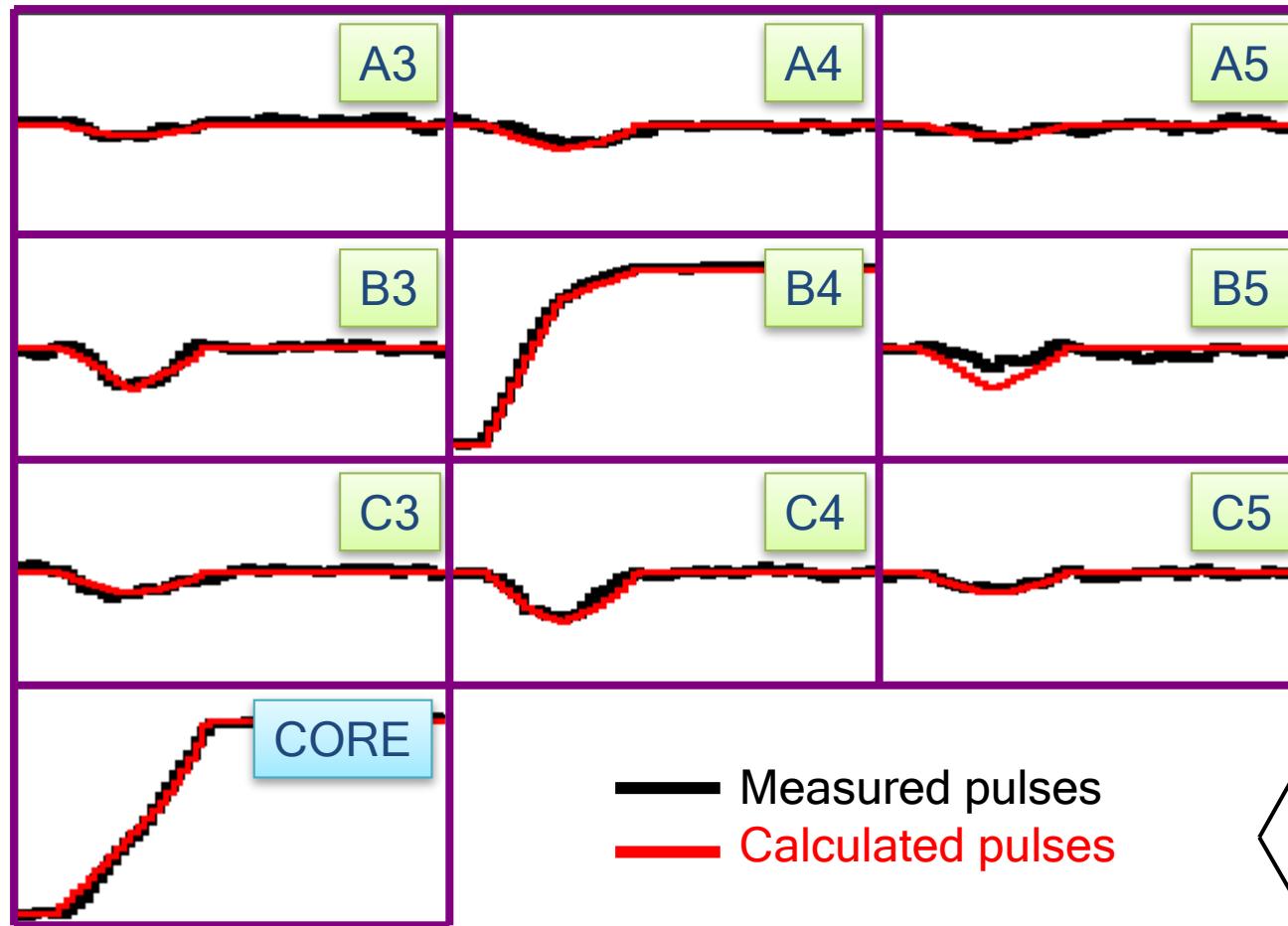
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# Pulse Shape Analysis Concept



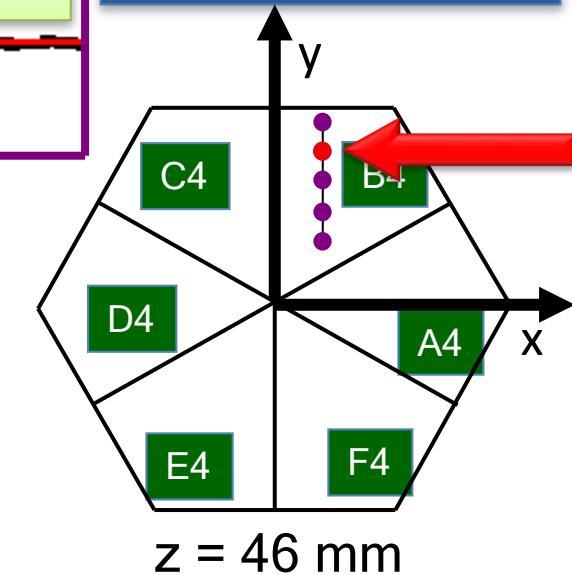
# Pulse Shape Analysis Concept



Result of  
*Grid Search*  
algorithm

*R. Venturelli*

(10,25,46)



791 keV deposited in segment B4

Set of Energies +  
Interaction Positions Tracking

R.Venturelli, D.Bazzacco

# Interaction - Reconstruction Mechanisms

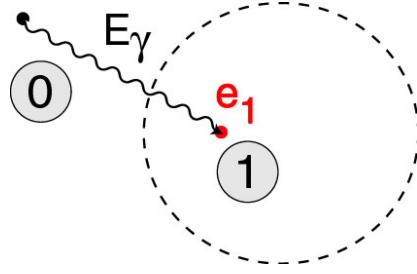
~ 100 keV

~1 MeV

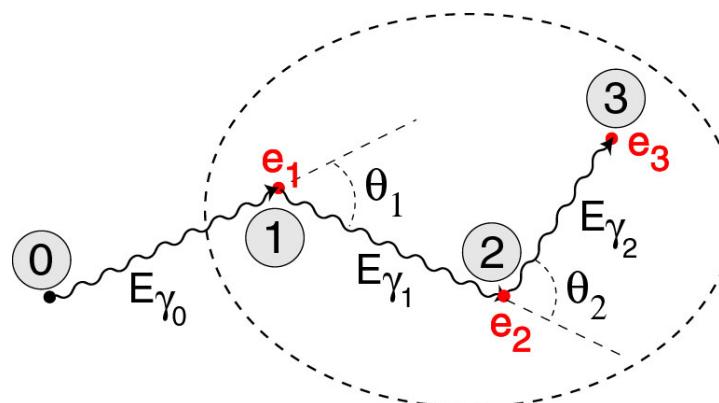
~ 10 MeV

$\gamma$ -ray energy

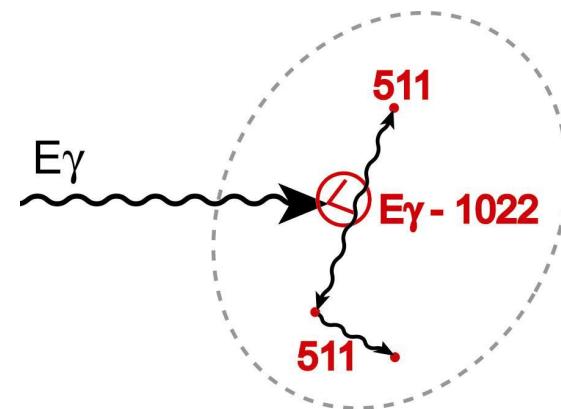
## Photoelectric



## Compton Scattering



## Pair Production



Isolated hits

Angle/Energy

Pattern of hits

Probability of interaction depth

$$E_{\gamma'} = \frac{E_{\gamma}}{1 + \frac{E_{\gamma}}{m_0 c^2} (1 - \cos\theta)}$$

$$E_{1\text{st}} = E_{\gamma} - 2mc^2$$

Reconstruction efficiencies are limited by :

Position resolution; Short range scattering; Compton profile.

# The tracking Algorithms in AGATA

Two main classes:

- algorithms based on back-tracking

J. Van der Marel, B. Cederwall, NIMA 437 (1999) 538.

J. Van der Marel, B. Cederwall, NIMA 447 (2002) 391.

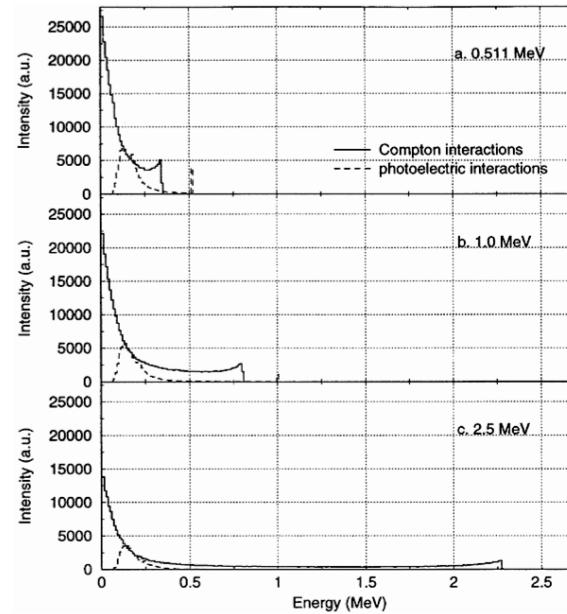
L. Milechina, B. Cederwall, NIMA 508 (2003) 394.

- algorithms based on clusterisation and forward-tracking

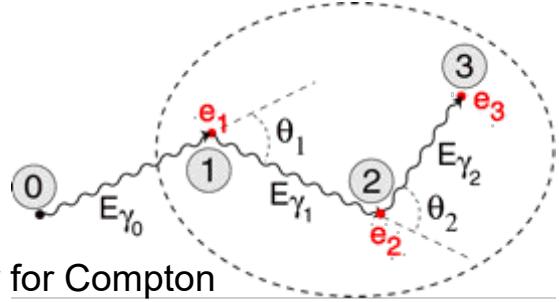
G.J. Schmid, et al., NIMA 430 (1999) 69.

D. Bazzacco, MGT code developed within the TMR program 'Gamma-ray tracking detectors'

I. Piqueras, et al. NIMA 516 (2004) 122



## Forward-tracking



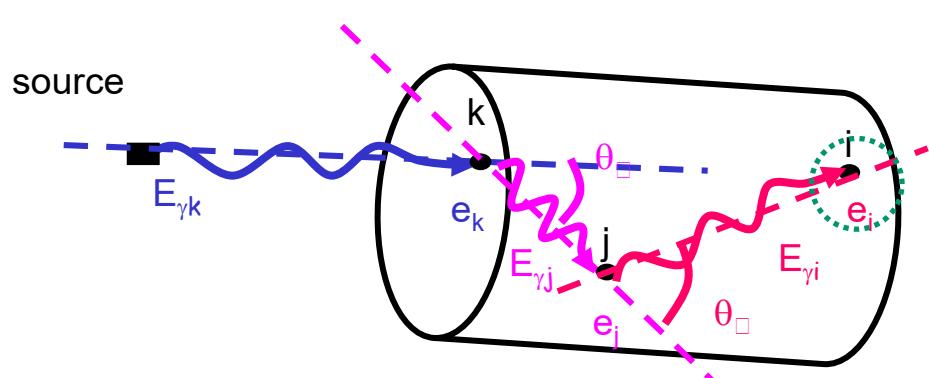
$$E_{s,p} = \frac{E_t}{1 + E_t/m_e c^2 (1 - \cos \theta_p)}$$

Probability for Compton or photoelectric and for the path in Germanium

$$L = \prod_{n=1}^N P_n \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{E_{\gamma n} - E_{\gamma n, \text{pos}}}{\sigma_E} \right)^2 \right]$$

Likelihood

## Back-tracking

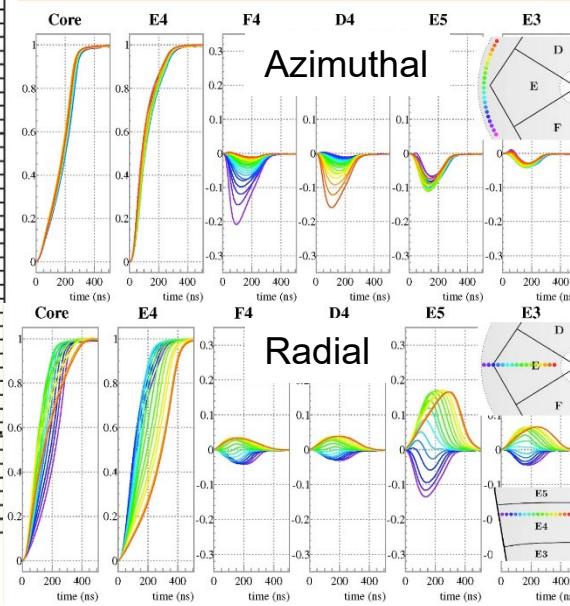
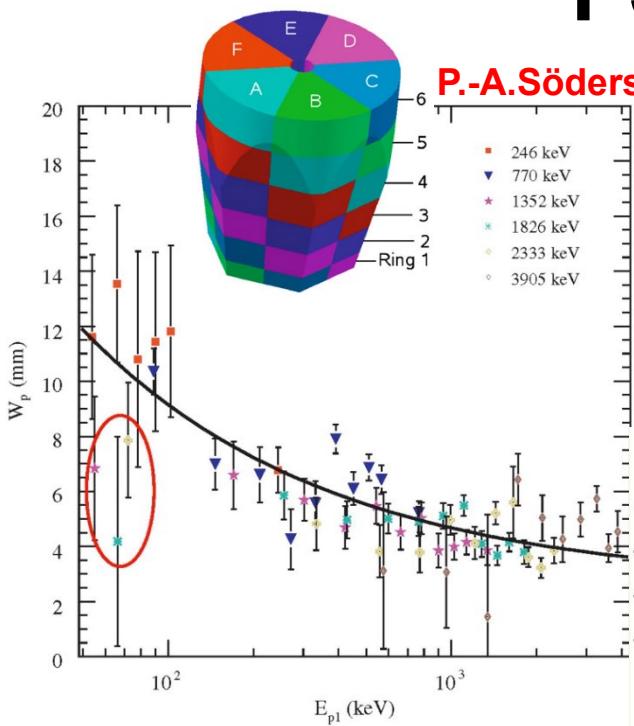


$$\cos(\theta) = 1 - m_e c^2 (1/E_{\text{sc}} - 1/E_{\text{inc}})$$

# PSA and Tracking

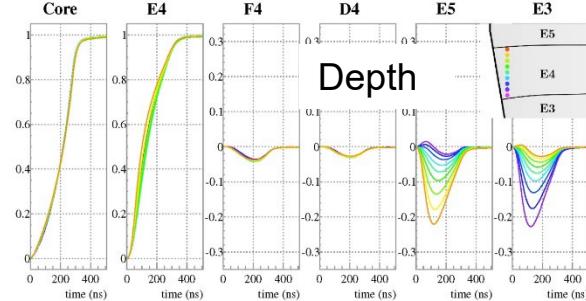


P.-A.Söderström et al. NIM A 638(2011)96



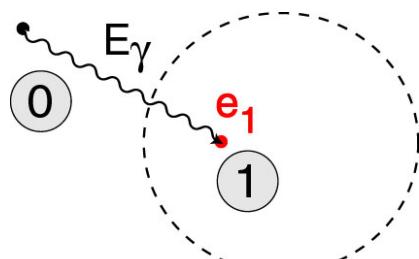
Induced current by the moving charge in the sensing contact:  
Ramo's Theorem.  
E. Gatti, et al. NIM 193 (82) 651

Figures courtesy of  
M.Ginsz, et al., IPHC Strasbourg



## Photoelectric

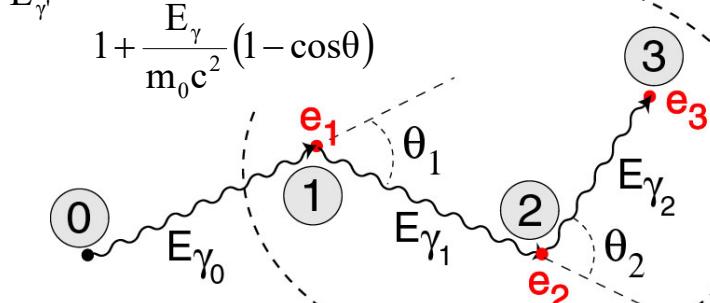
Range in Ge  $\sim 10^2$  keV



Isolated hits

## Compton Scattering

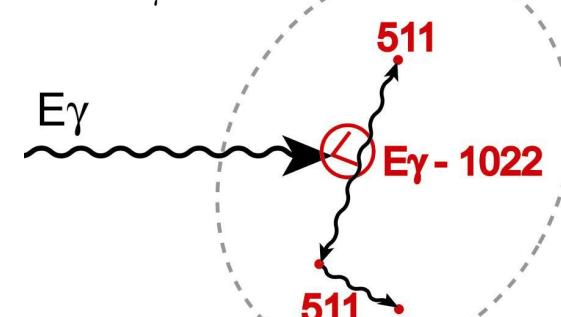
$\sim 10^3$  keV



Angle/Energy

## Pair Production

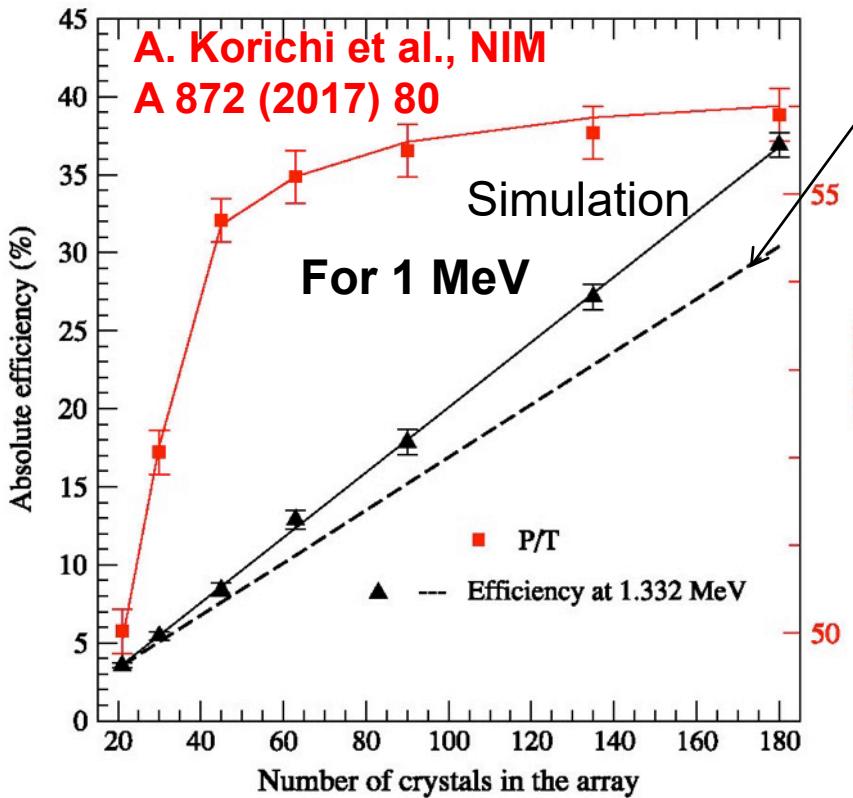
$>> 10^3$  keV



Pattern of hits

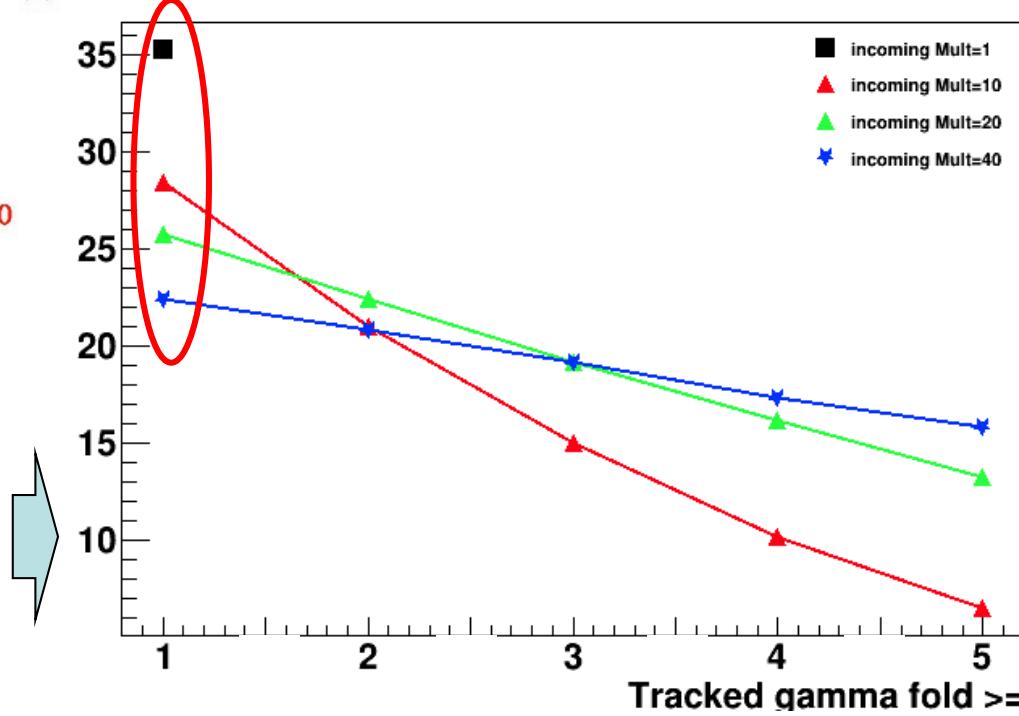
# AGATA 4 $\pi$ Performance simulations

Efficiency and P/T Monte Carlo simulations for the 180 Capsules set-up with Tracking



Linear Scaling from known efficiencies

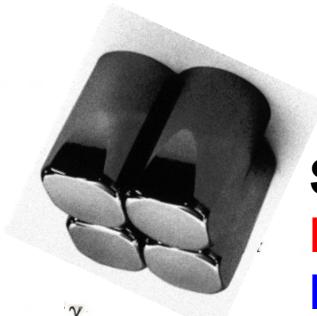
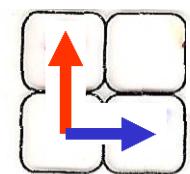
These expectations require the PSA improvements regarding multiple interactions in one segment.



Efficiency depends as well on the  $\gamma$ -ray multiplicity

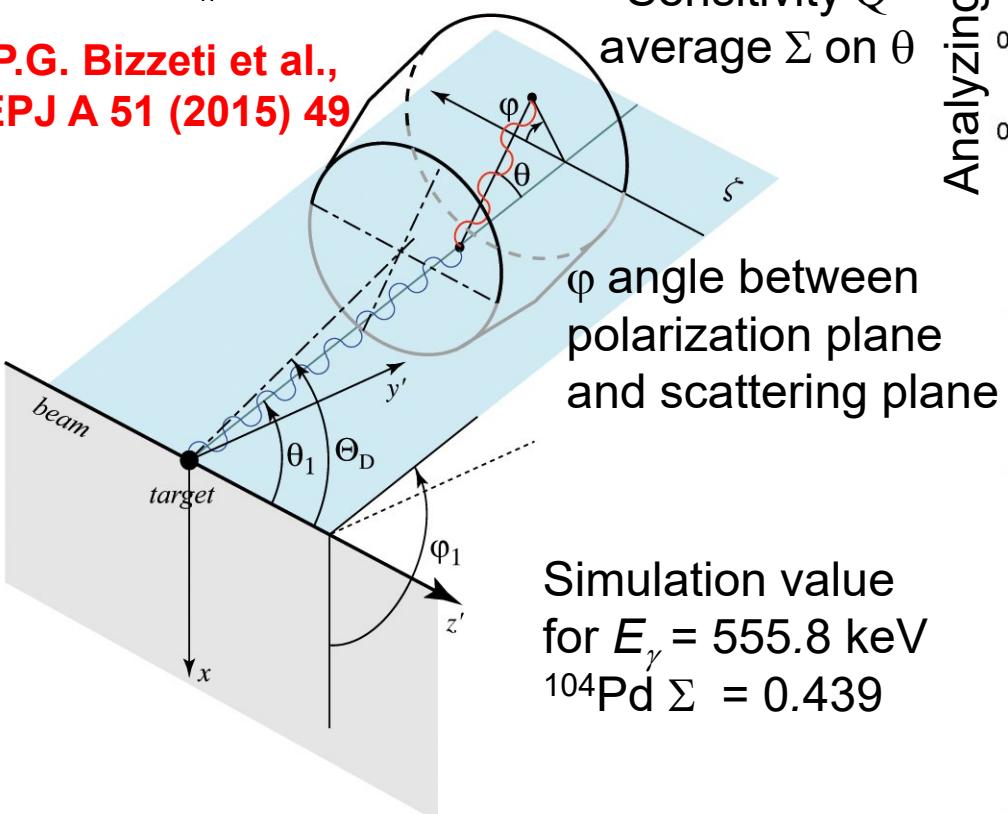
Recent Upgraded Simulations by M.Labiche (STFC)

# Linear Polarization measurements with AGATA



$$A = \frac{N_{\perp} - N_{\parallel}}{N_{\perp} + N_{\parallel}}$$

P.G. Bizzeti et al.,  
EPJ A 51 (2015) 49



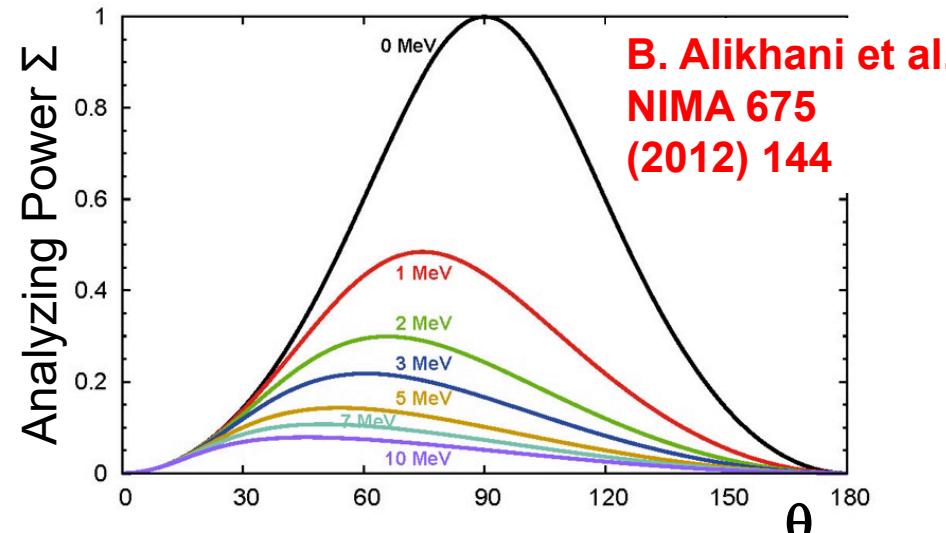
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{r_0^2}{2} \left( \frac{E'}{E} \right)^2 \left[ \frac{E'}{E} + \frac{E}{E'} + \sin^2(\theta) (1 + P \cos(2\varphi)) \right]$$

O. Klein and Y. Nishina – Z. Phys. 52 (1929) 853

Stretched  
Eλ positive &  
Mλ negative  
asymmetry

Sensitivity Q  
average  $\Sigma$  on  $\theta$

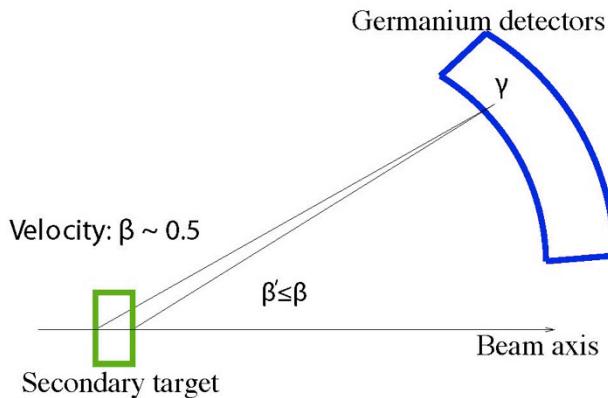
$\varphi$  angle between  
polarization plane  
and scattering plane



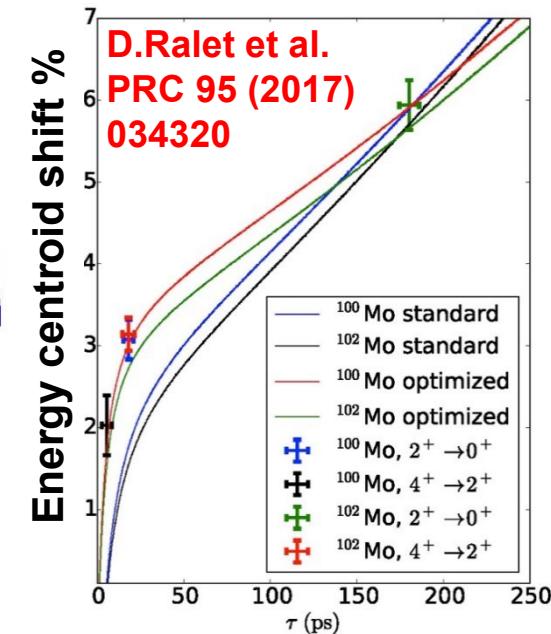
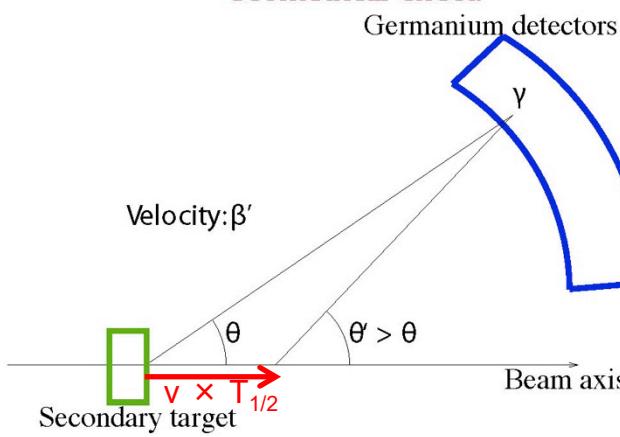
$N_c$	Experimental asymmetry	Calculated polarization	Analyzing power
	$A_s$	$P$	$\mathcal{A}_{\text{exp}}$
3	$-0.136 \pm 0.014$	-0.262	$0.520 \pm 0.053$
4	$-0.132 \pm 0.014$	-0.273	$0.483 \pm 0.052$
5	$-0.157 \pm 0.014$	-0.286	$0.547 \pm 0.049$
6	$-0.070 \pm 0.014$	-0.208	$0.338 \pm 0.067$
7	$-0.079 \pm 0.014$	-0.157	$0.506 \pm 0.089$
8	$-0.102 \pm 0.014$	-0.227	$0.450 \pm 0.062$
Average			$0.484 \pm 0.024$

# In-Flight Geometrical Line-Shape Lifetime Measurement Techniques

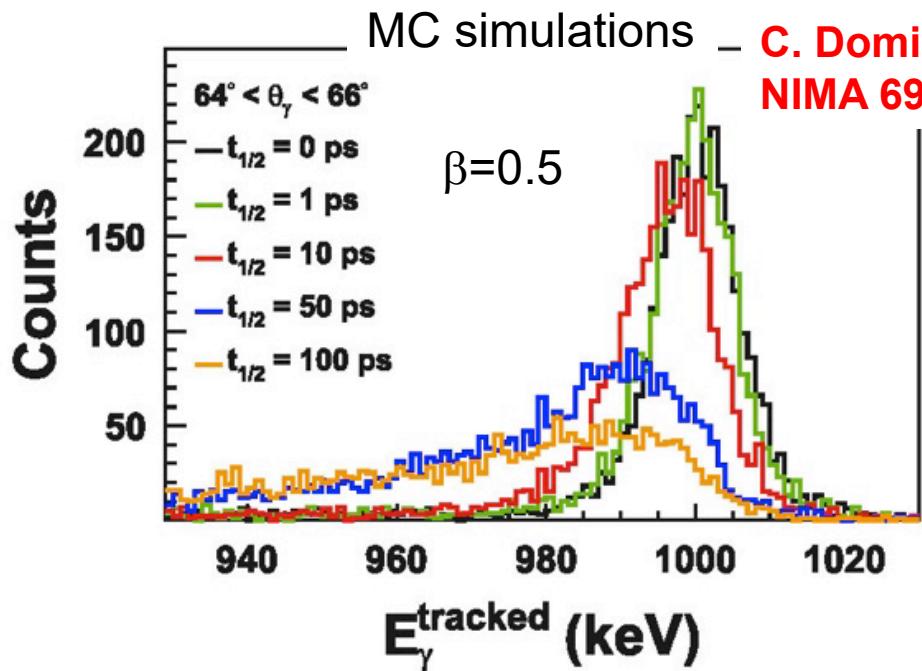
## Slow-down effect



## Geometrical effect.



MC simulations

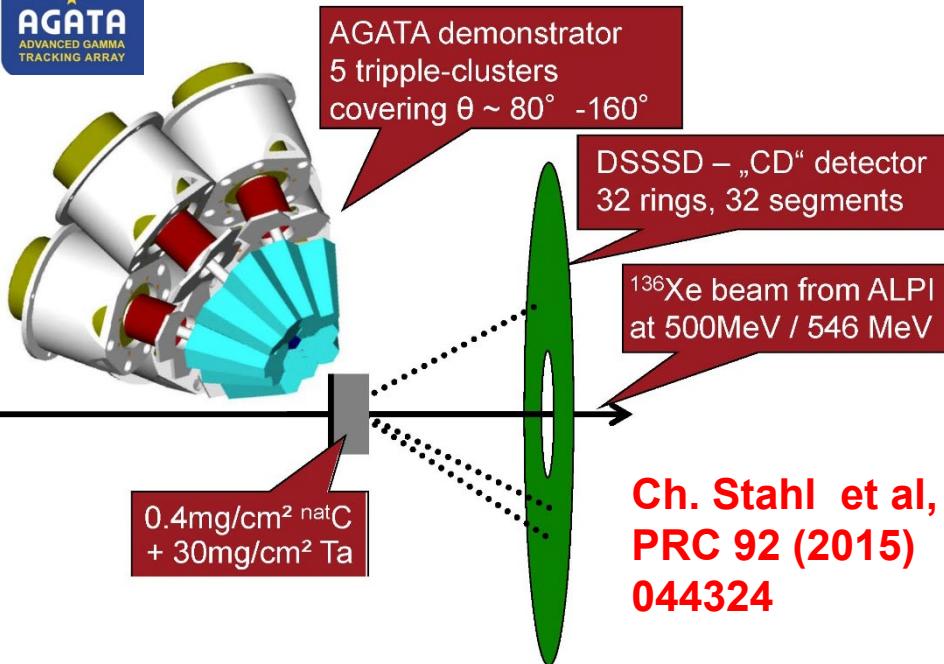


C. Domingo-Pardo et al,  
NIMA 694 (2012) 297

- New “DSAM-like” technique based on the position sensitivity and the Doppler correction.
- Possible to measure down to 1 to 10 ps lifetimes with relativistic RIBs.

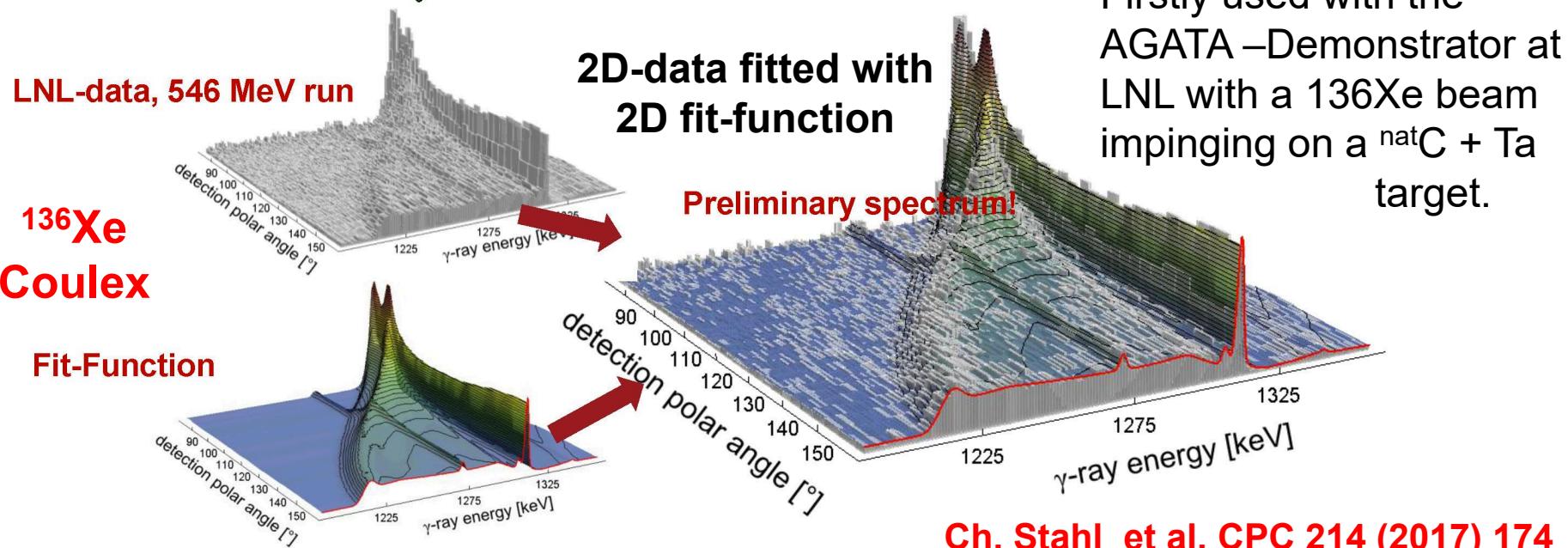
D.Ralet PhD Thesis

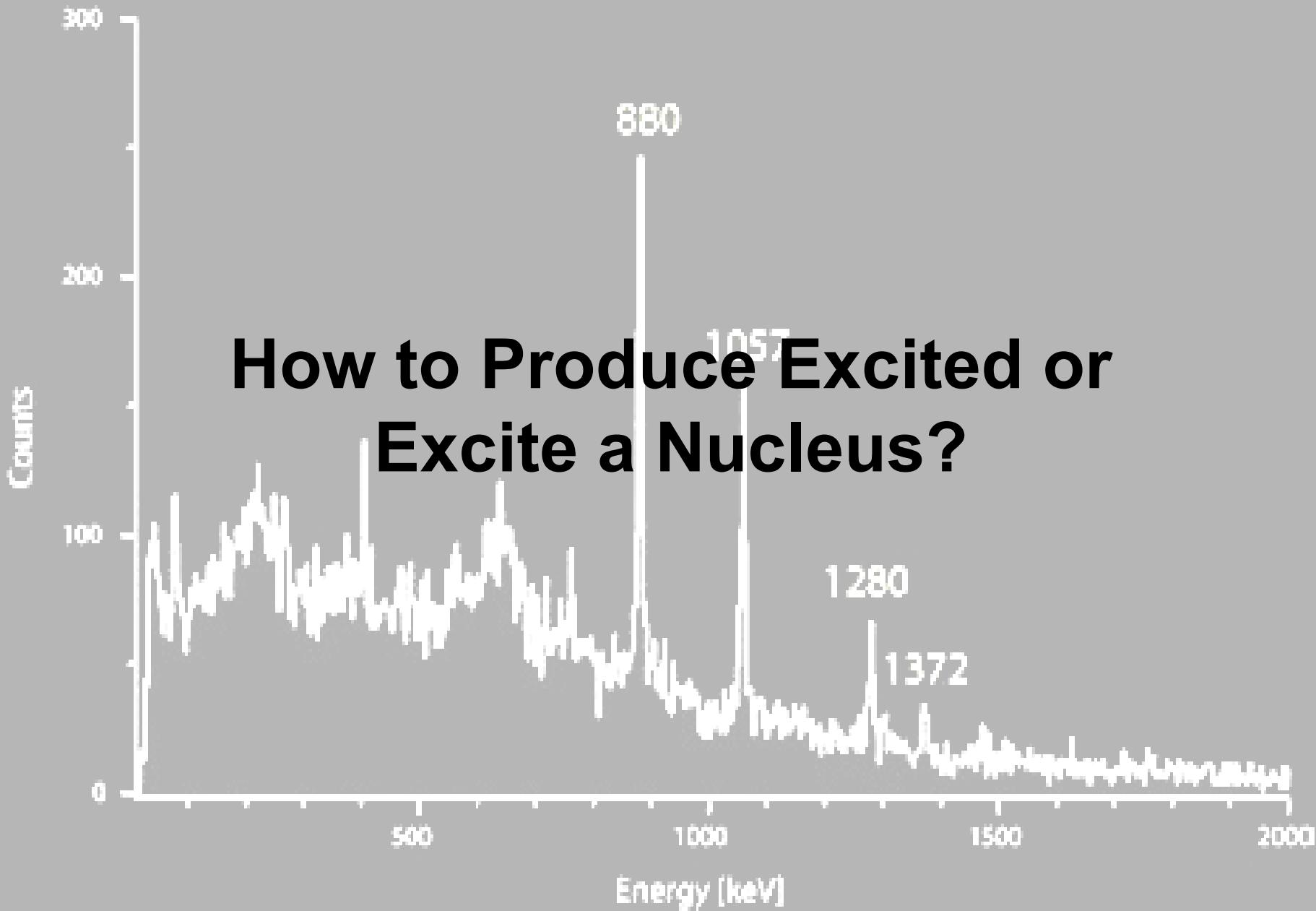
# Continuous-Angle DSAM



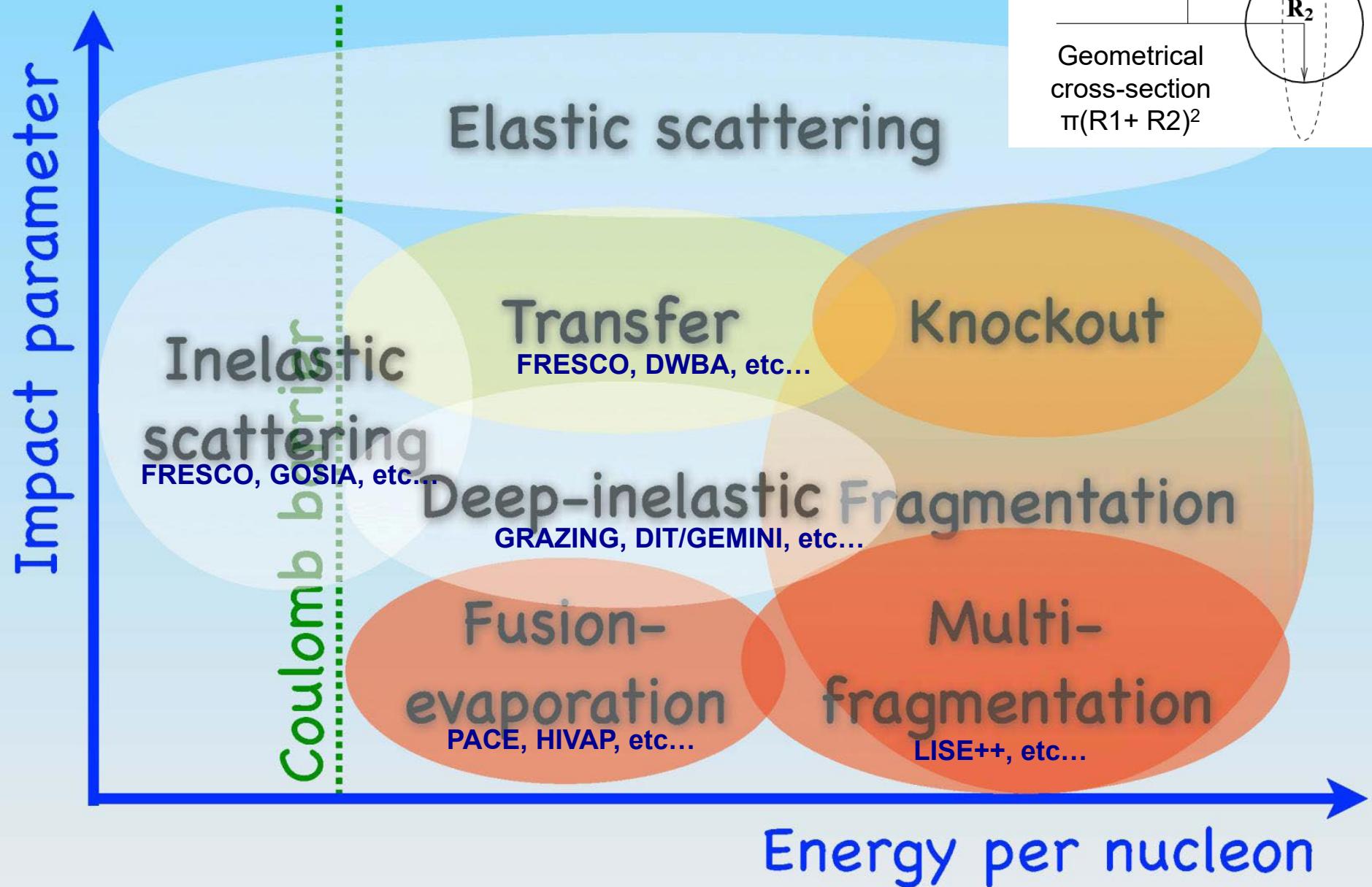
The continuous-angle DSAM represents an advancement of the “conventional” DSAM. It extends the  $\gamma$ -ray lineshapes analysis as a function of  $\gamma$ -ray energy to a lineshape analysis as a function of both  $\gamma$ -ray energy and polar angle of the  $\gamma$ -ray detection.

Also the Geometrical Line-Shape lifetime measurement available for long lifetimes

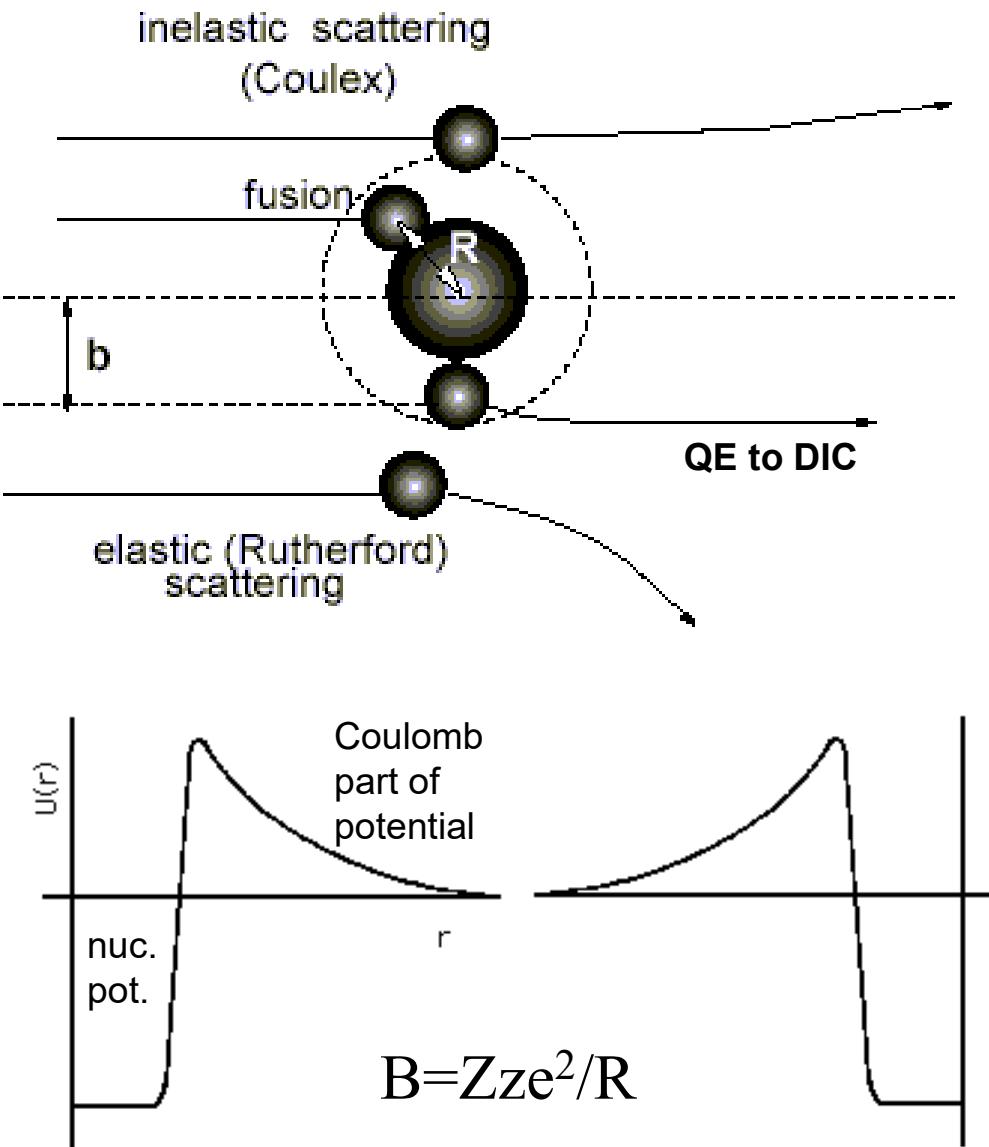




# Types of Nuclear Reactions



# Low Energy reaction mechanisms used for $\gamma$ -Spectroscopy (up to $\sim 10$ MeV.A)

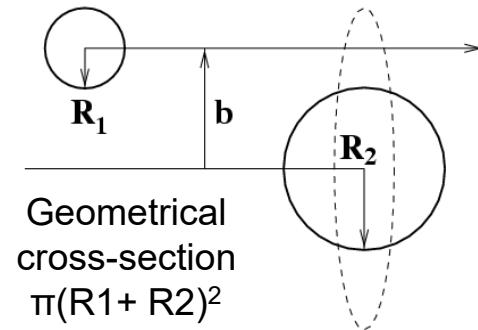


- Coulomb excitation and Inelastic scattering.
- Transfer and quasi-elastic processes (p,n capture....).
- Multi-nucleon transfer.
- Deep Inelastic Collisions.
- Quasi-fusion reactions.
- Fusion with light particles evaporation .
- Fusion with evaporation of Massive Fragments (IMF)
- Fusion-fission

Cross sections up to few barns typically from tens of mb to  $\mu$ b

# Yields from Cross-Section Estimates

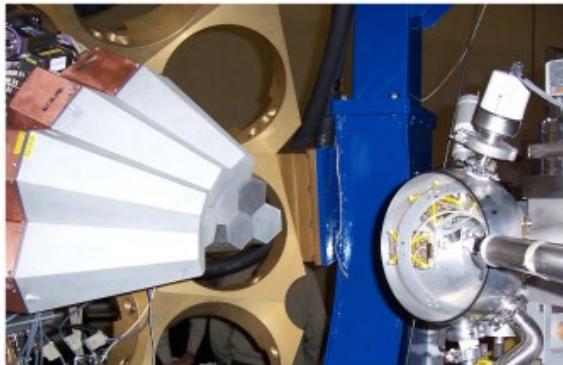
- The Cross-Section estimate  $\sigma$  is given in barn i.e.  $10^{-28} \text{ m}^2 = 100 \text{ fm}$
- The yield of a reaction is proportional to the Cross-section, the number of atoms in the target and the atoms per second in the beam:
  - Cross-section are given in barn's ( $10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2$ )
  - Target thicknesses are usually given in  $\text{mg/cm}^2$
  - The beam intensity is given in particles per second (pps) or in particle  $\text{nA}$  ( $\text{pA}$ ).



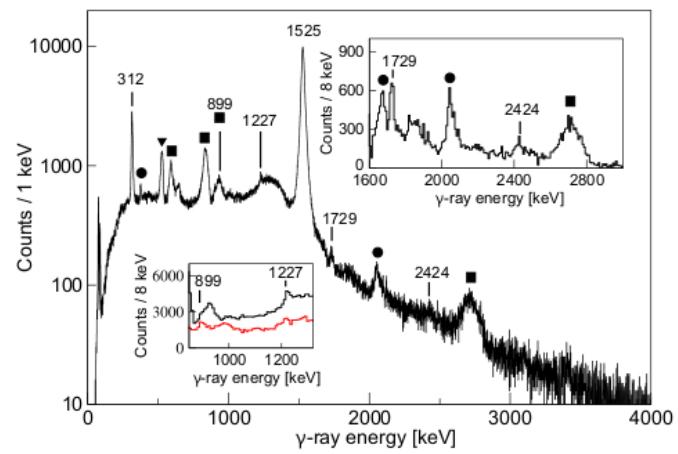
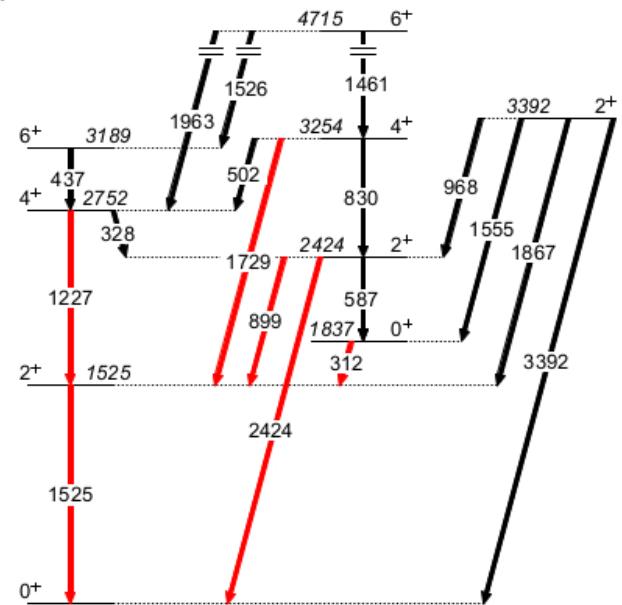
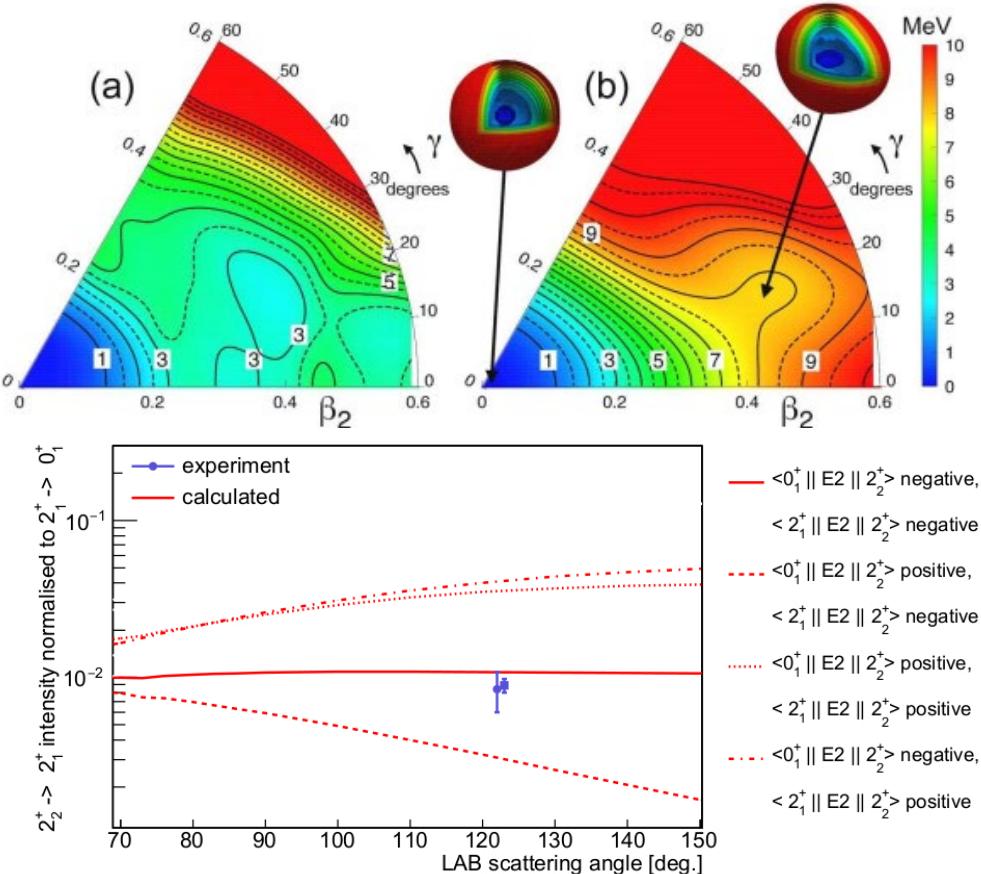
$$yield = \sigma (barn) \cdot 10^{-24} \left( \frac{cm^2}{barn} \right) \cdot \frac{Target \left( \frac{g}{cm^2} \right)}{Mol\ weight \ (g)} \cdot N_A \cdot Beam \left( \frac{Atoms}{s} \right)$$

The production cross-section does not imply that a transition or particular phenomena will be observed with such intensity, e.g. superdeformed bands 1/100 yield

# Example Coulomb Excitation: Deformation in $^{42}\text{Ca}$



Beam:  
 $^{42}\text{Ca}$ ,  $E=170$  MeV  
 Targets:  
 $^{208}\text{Pb}$ , 1 mg/cm  
 $^{197}\text{Au}$ , 1 mg/cm



Kasia Hadynska-Kleck  
 PRL 117 (2016)

# An exceptionally low alpha capture reaction rate on oxygen-15 and its impact as X-ray burst trigger Reaction

Relevant in Accreting Neutron Stars & X-ray Bursts

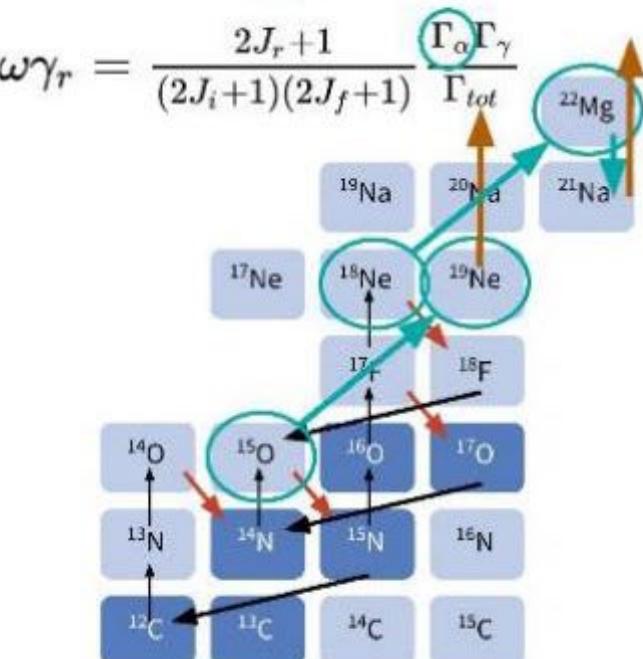
Light curves are extremely sensitive to alpha capture on  $^{15}\text{O}$ .

Dominated by 4033 keV state in  $^{19}\text{Ne}$ .



Ch. Diget, J.S. Rojo et al.,

$$N_A \langle \sigma v \rangle_r \propto \omega \gamma_r \exp\left(-\frac{E_r}{k_b T}\right)$$

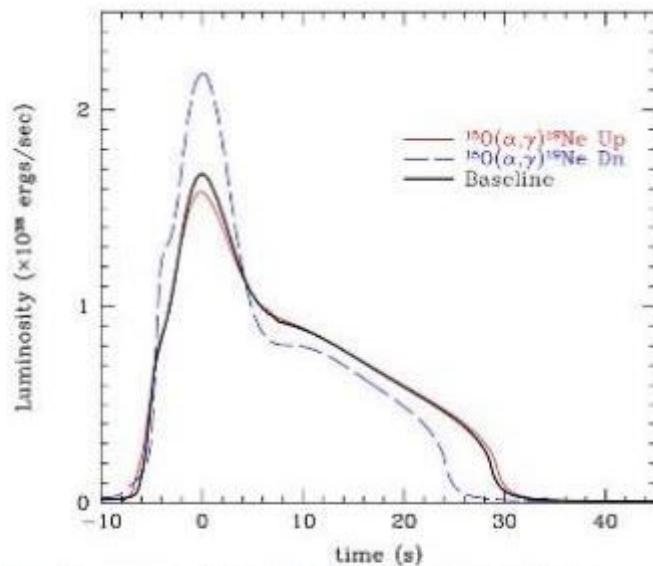
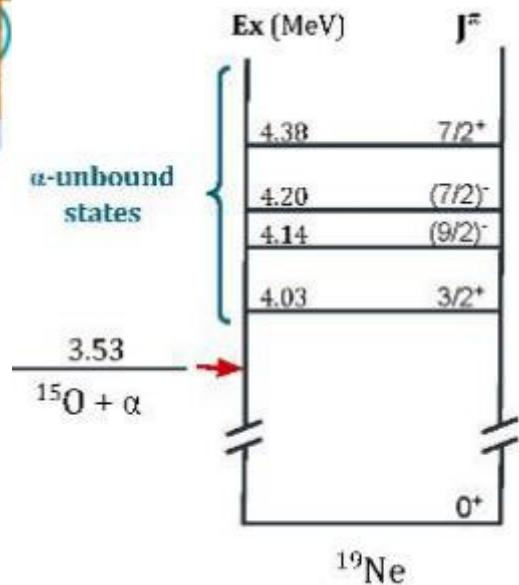


Hot-CNO Breakout points:

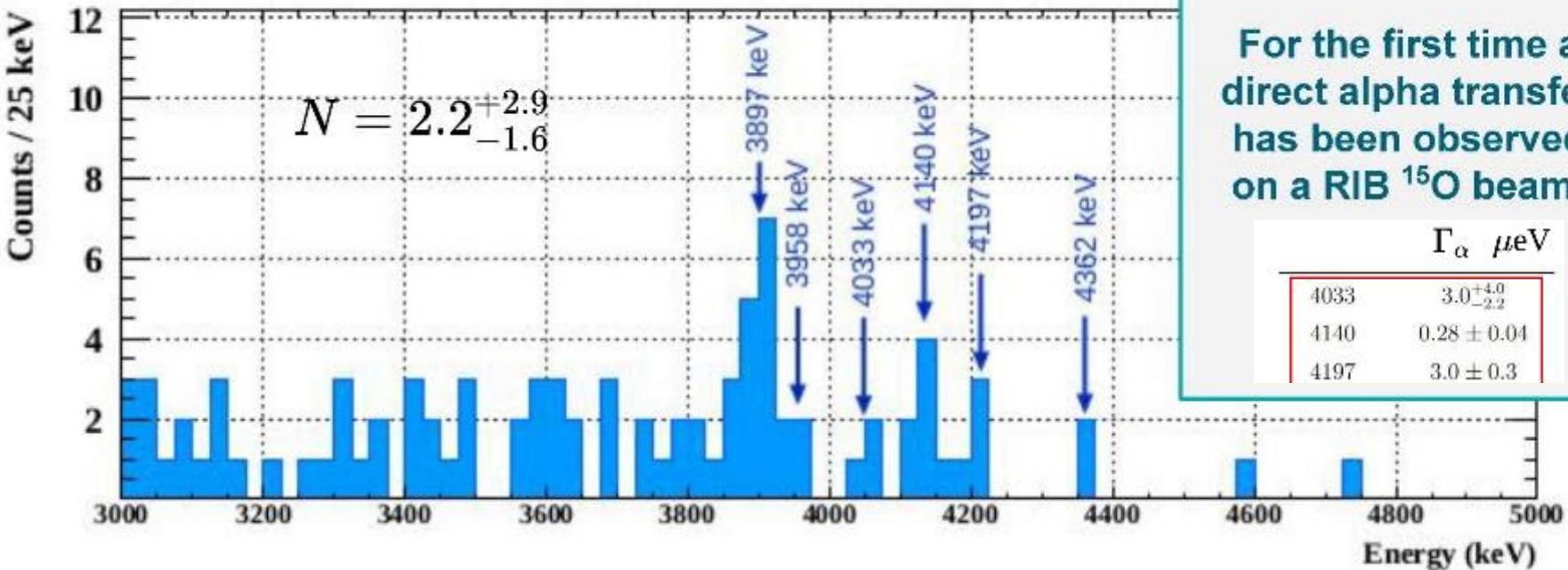
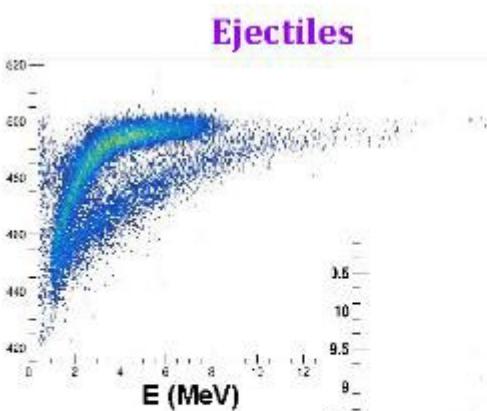
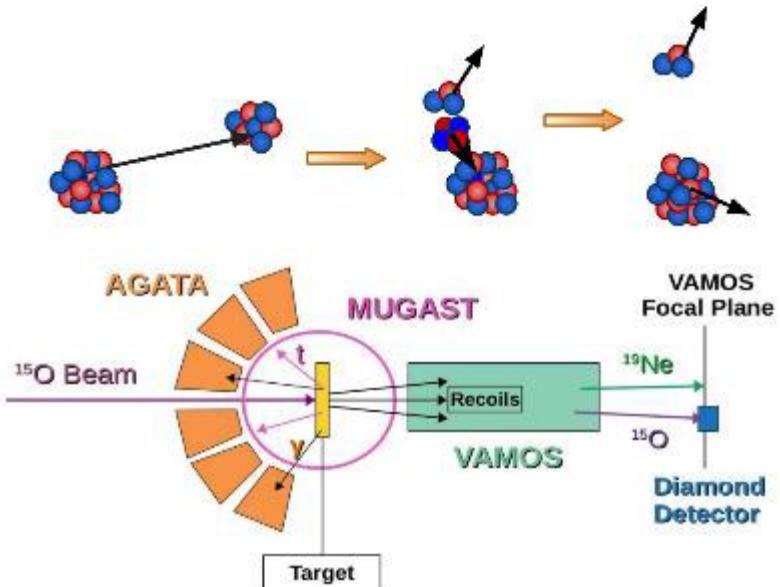
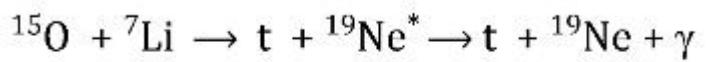
$^{15}\text{O}(\alpha, \gamma)^{19}\text{Ne}$  alpha capture

$^{18}\text{Ne}(\alpha, p)^{21}\text{Na}$  alpha capture

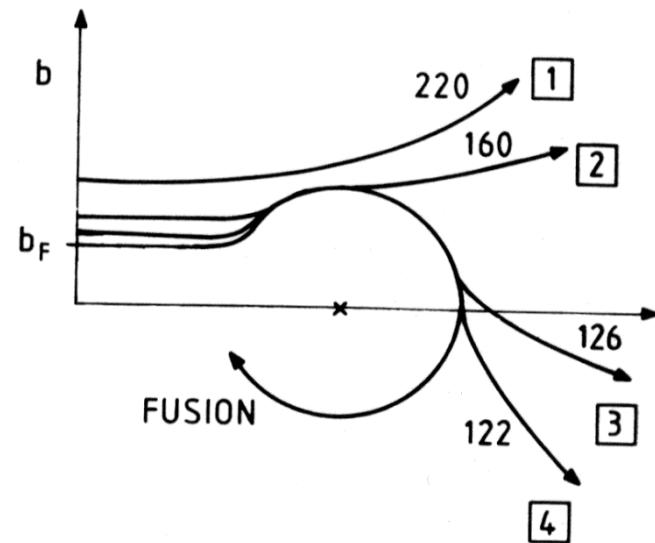
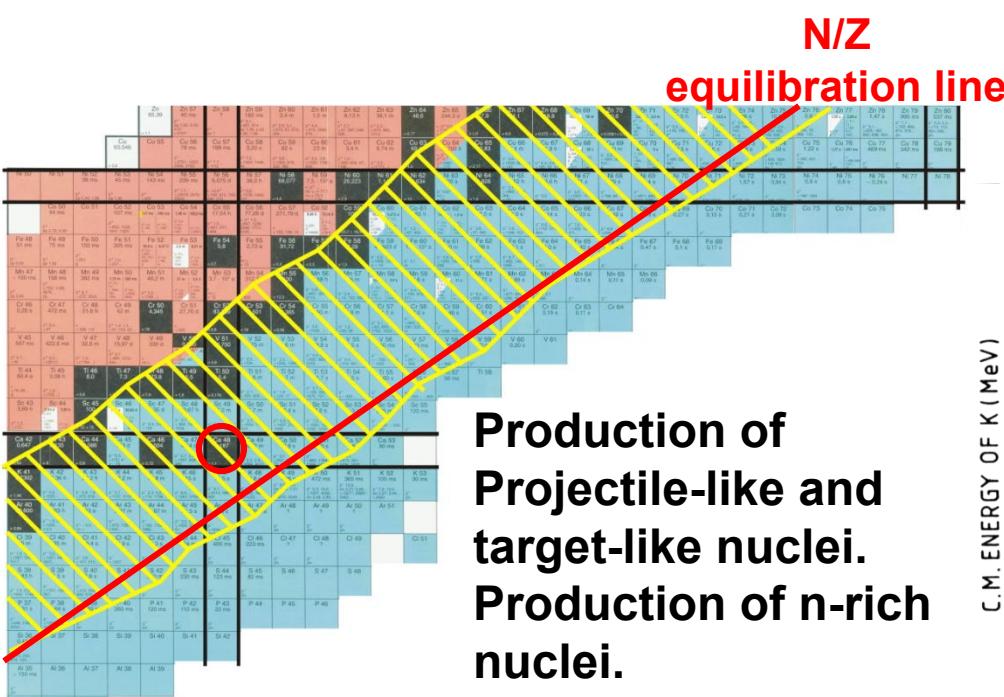
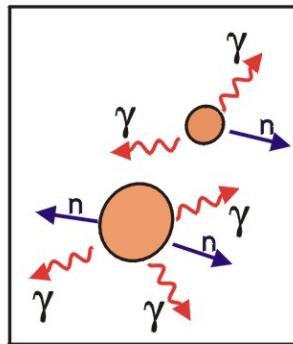
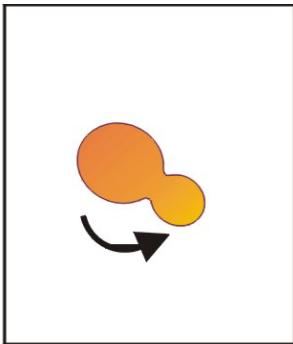
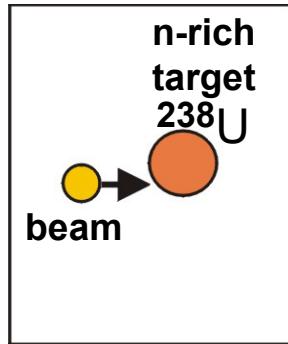
Extremely low cross section of  $^{15}\text{O}(\alpha, \gamma)^{19}\text{Ne}$ .



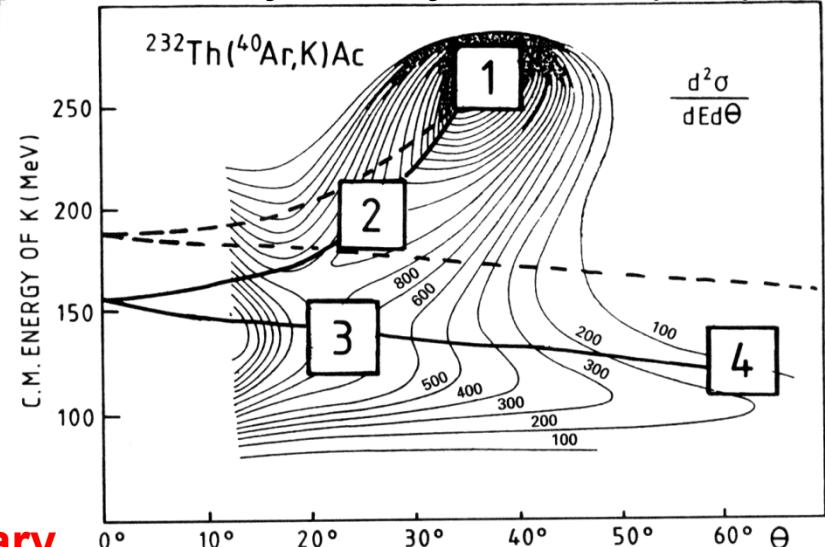
Single-zone X-ray burst sensitivity  
study Cyburt et al., APJ 830:55 (2016)



# Example: GRAZING REACTIONS



J. Wilczynski, Phys. Lett. 47B(1973) 484

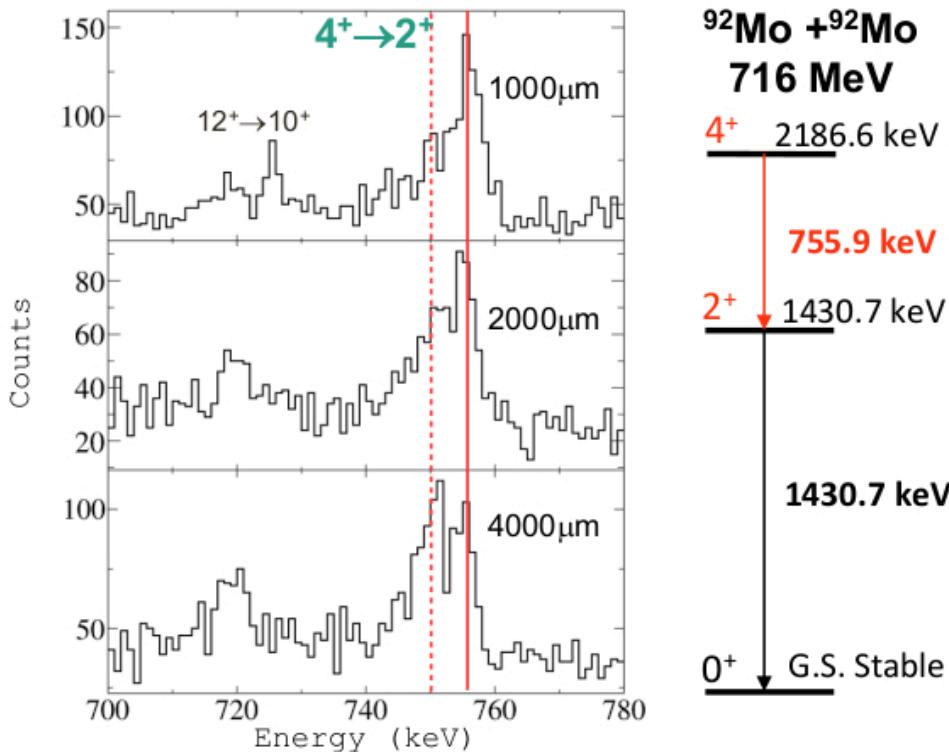
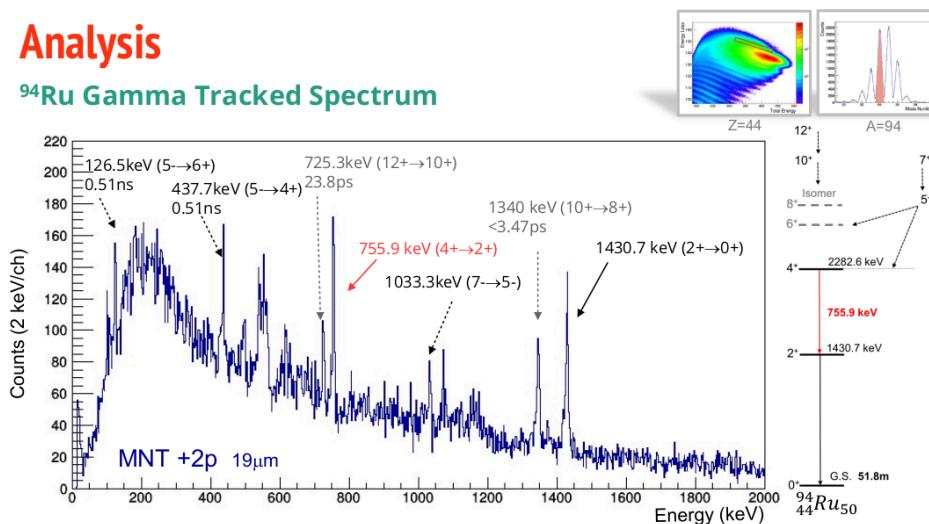


**Identification of products with complementary detectors or by  $\gamma$ -spectroscopy of the partners is required**

# Multi-Nucleon Transfer GRAZING REACTIONS

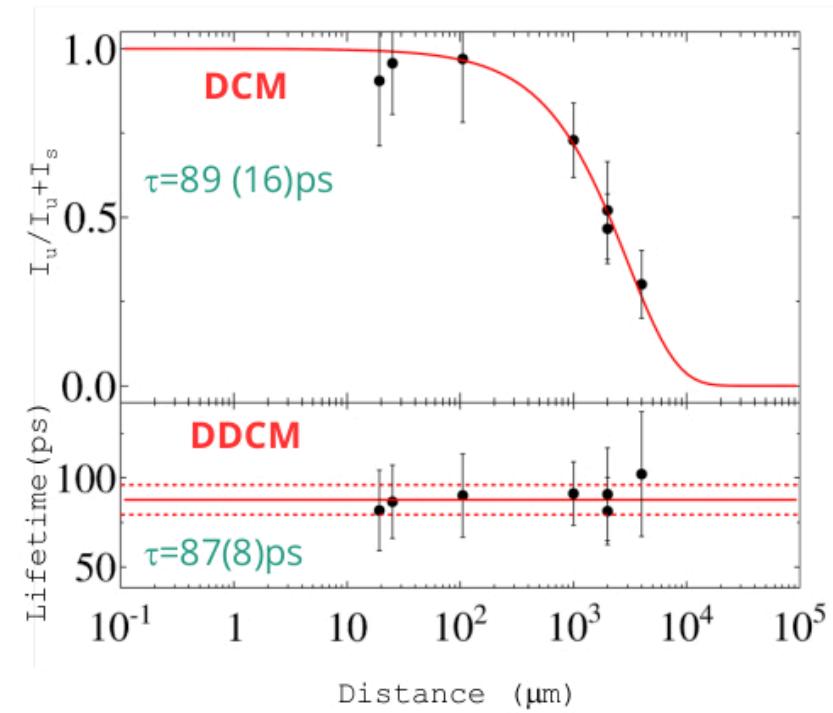
## Analysis

### $^{94}\text{Ru}$ Gamma Tracked Spectrum

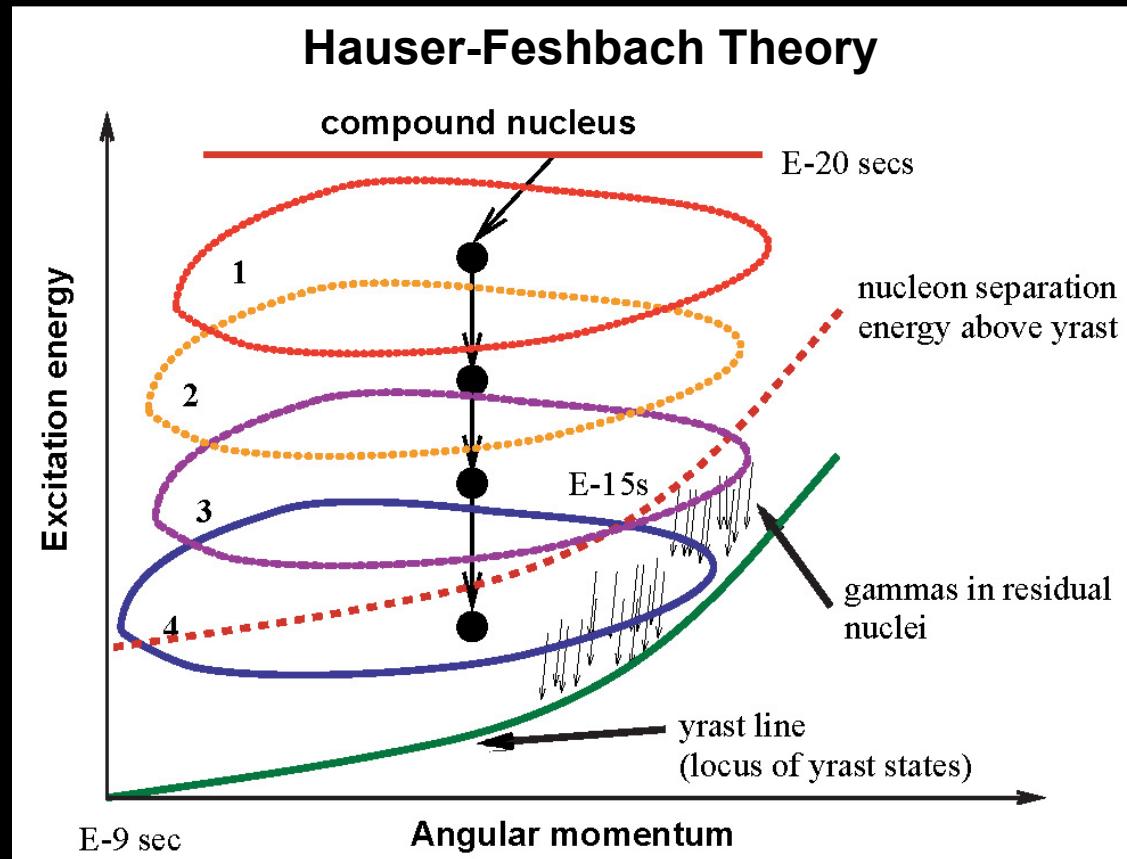
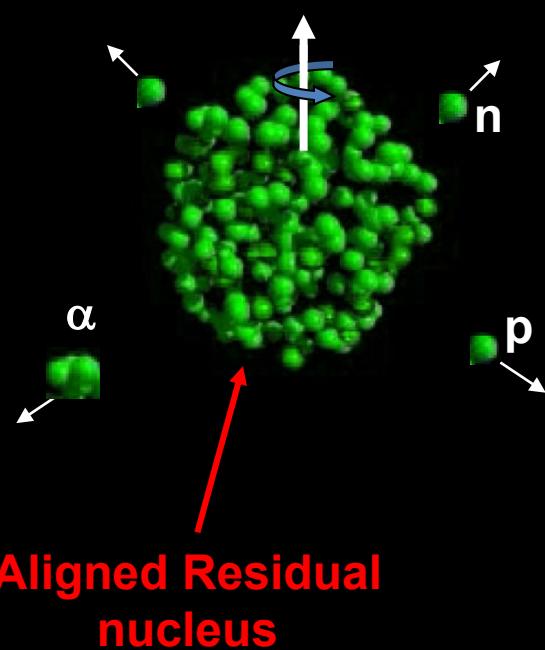
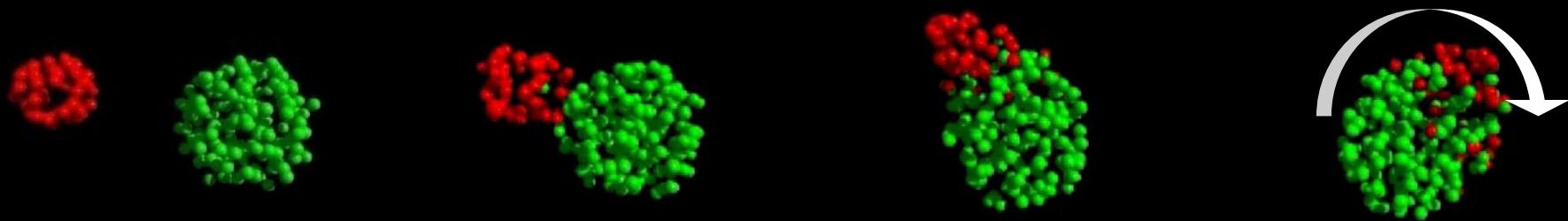


**Reaction  $^{92}\text{Mo} + ^{92}\text{Mo}$ :**  
- Beam-energy: 716,9 MeV  
- Grazing angle LAB:  $\sim 23^\circ$

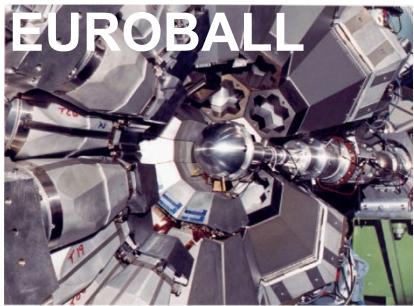
Rosa Perez Vidal PhD Thesis



# Example: FUSION-EVAPORATION REACTIONS

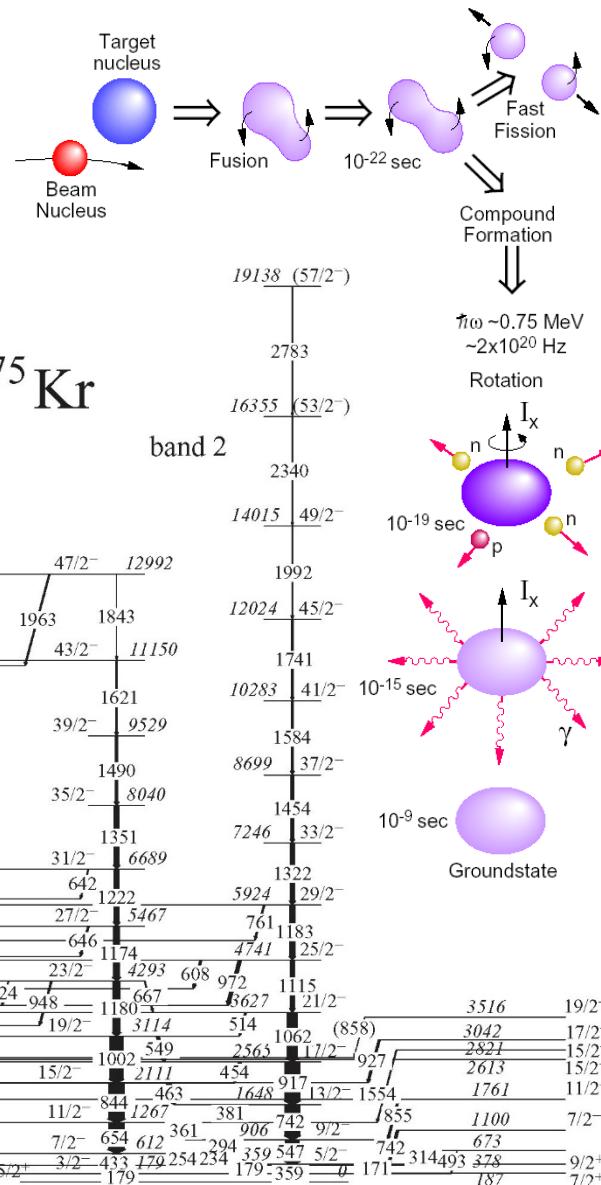
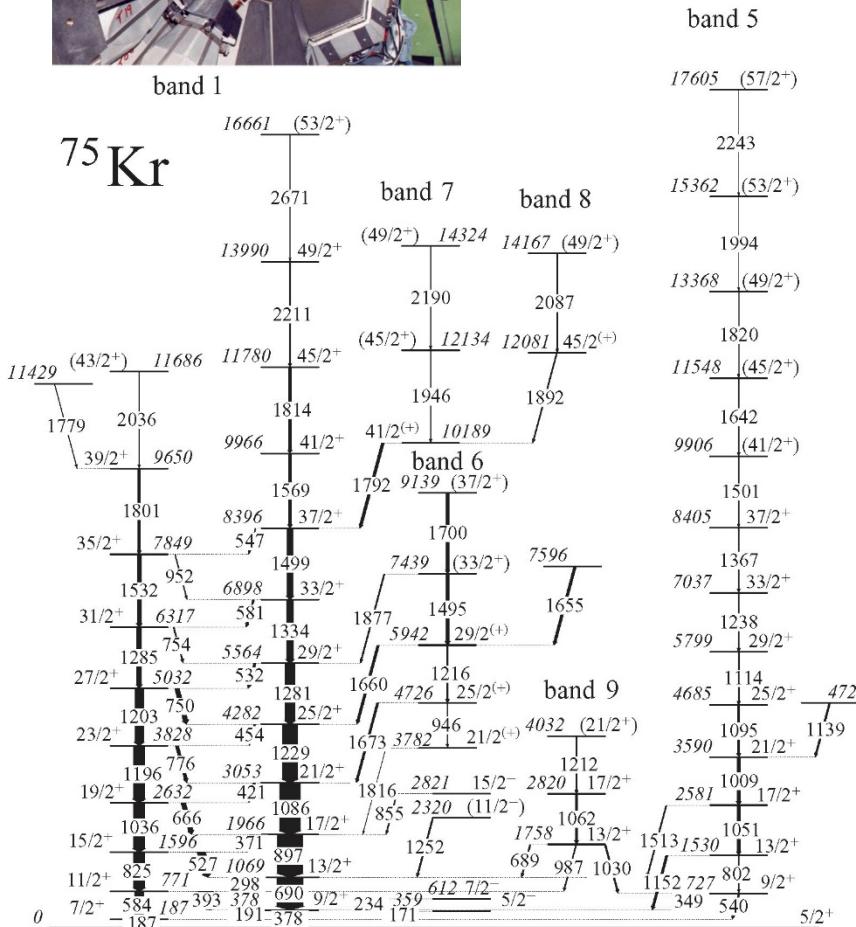


## Example: Spectroscopy with Fusion-Evaporation Reactions



# $^{40}\text{Ca}(\text{Ca},4\text{pn})^{75}\text{Kr}^*$

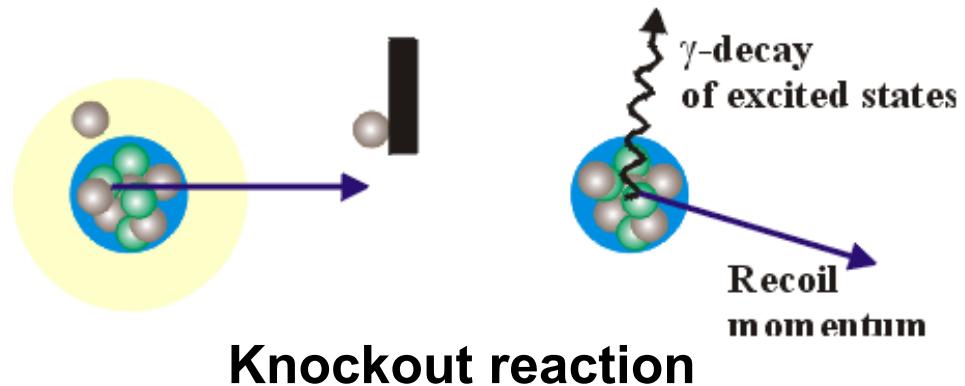
States identified up to  $J=57/2$   
and 19 MeV excitation energy



# High energy reaction mechanisms used for $\gamma$ -Spectroscopy (above $\sim 40$ MeV.A)

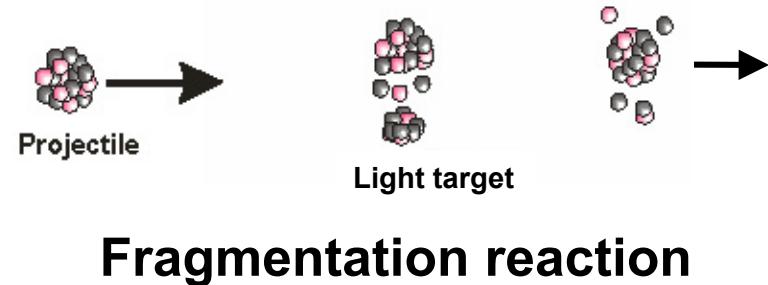
Generally used with exotic ion beams produced by fragmentation or fission at relativistic energies

- Relativistic (single step) Coulomb excitation
- Inverse proton scattering
- Knockout reactions
- Fragmentation reactions

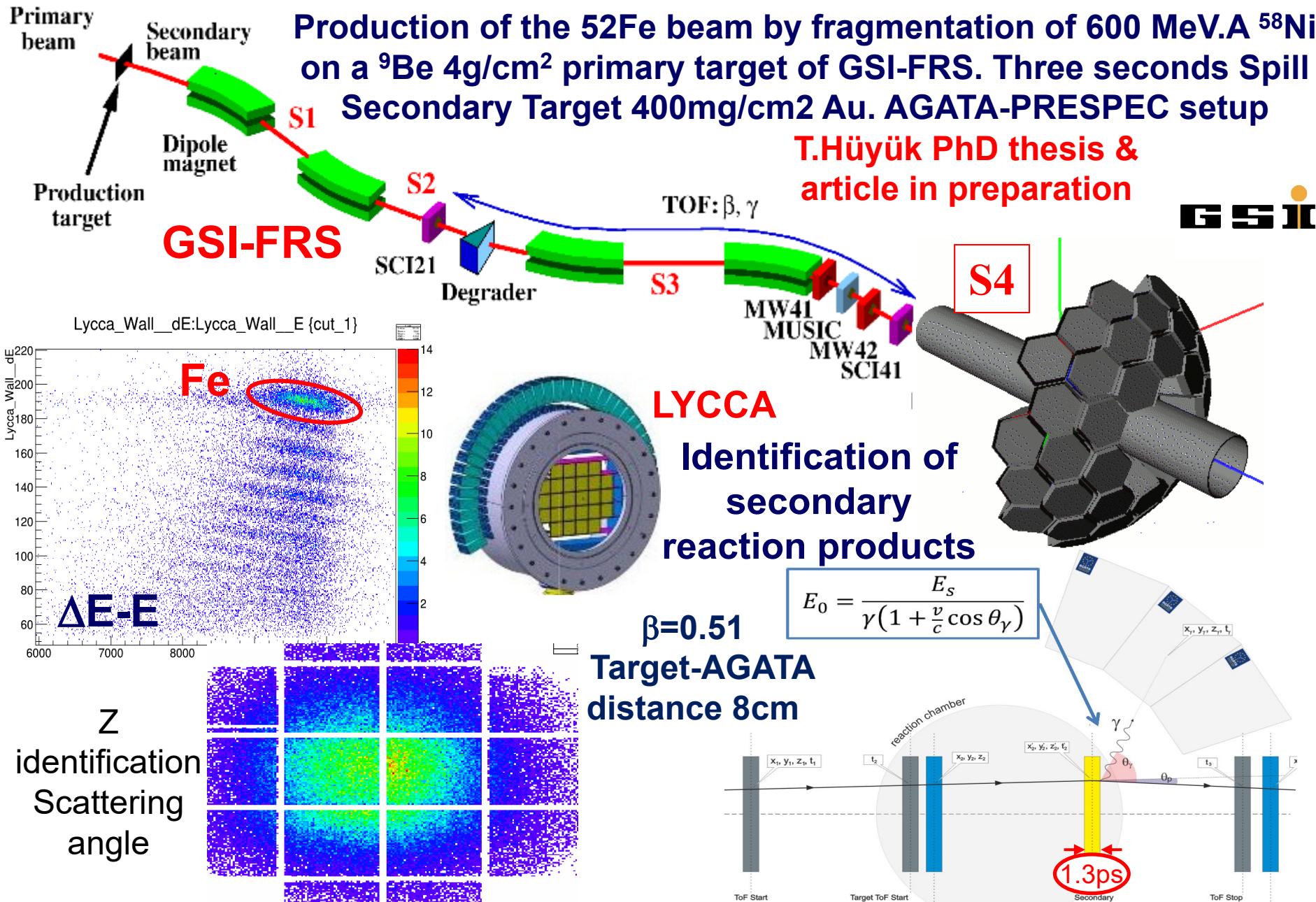


Cross sections :

- up to 1 barn for Coulomb (large Z nuclei)
- tens of mbarn for proton scattering and 1 nucleon knockout,
- down to few mb for 2 nucleons knockout.
- smaller cross sections for fragmentation

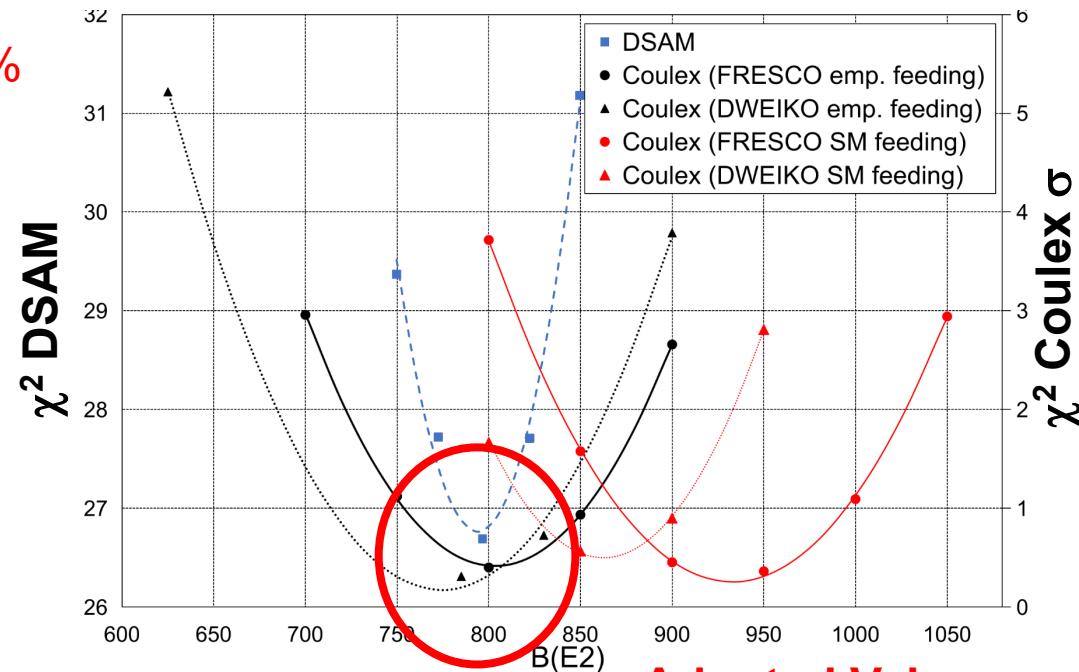
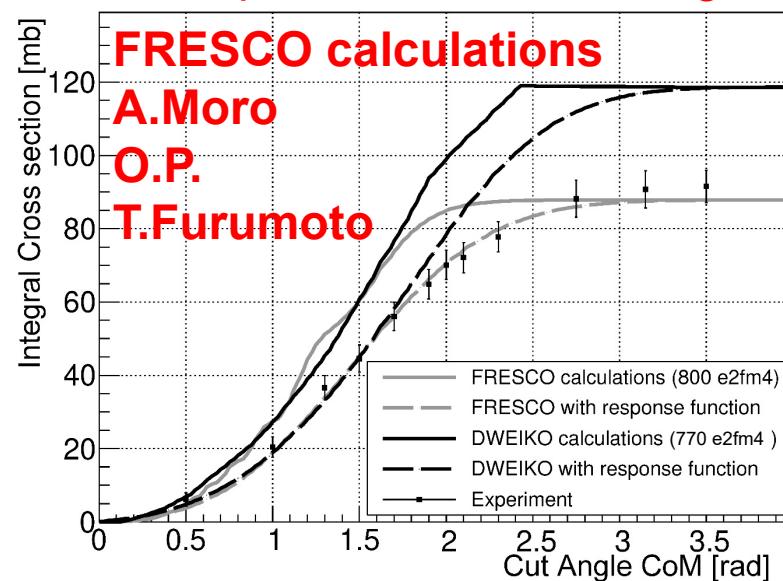


# Quadrupole collectivity in $^{52}\text{Fe}$ AGATA@GSI/FRS



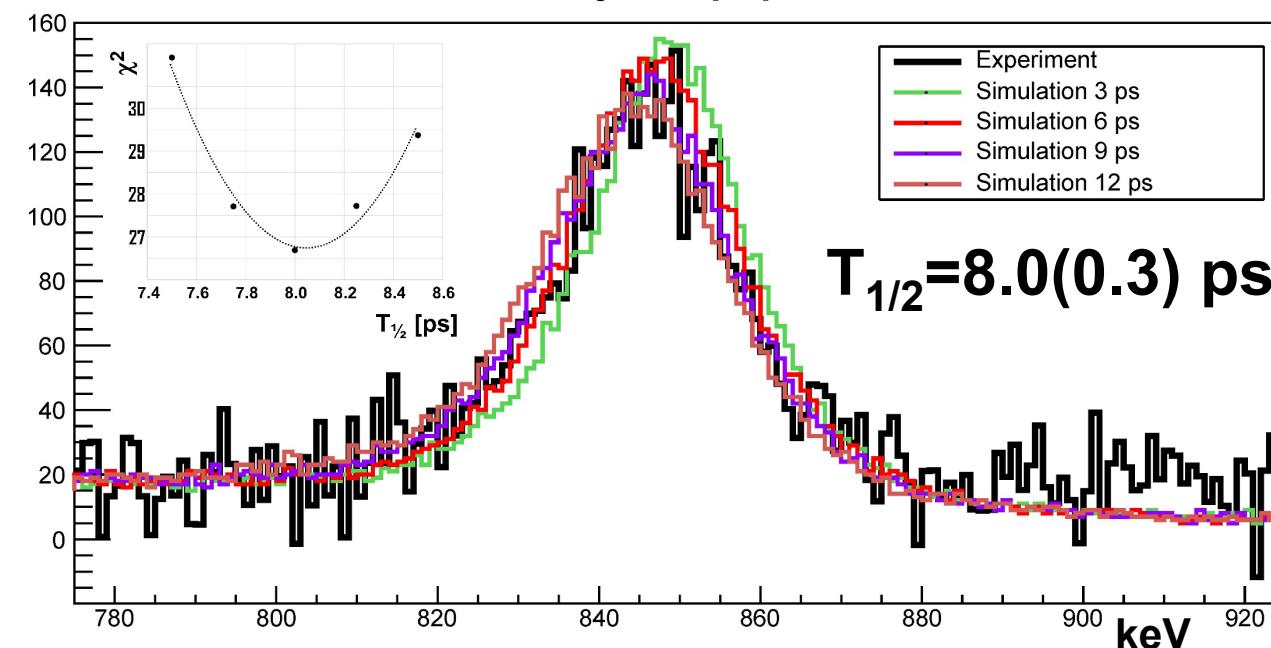
# 52Fe Relativistic Coulomb Excitation Results

With Empirical Indirect Feeding 14%



Adopted Value

$$B(E2, 0^+ \rightarrow 2^+_1) = 800(60) \text{ e}^2\text{fm}^4$$



LSSM Calculations ANTOINE	$B(E2)$
KB3G	$847 \text{ e}^2\text{fm}^4$
GXPF1	$863 \text{ e}^2\text{fm}^4$

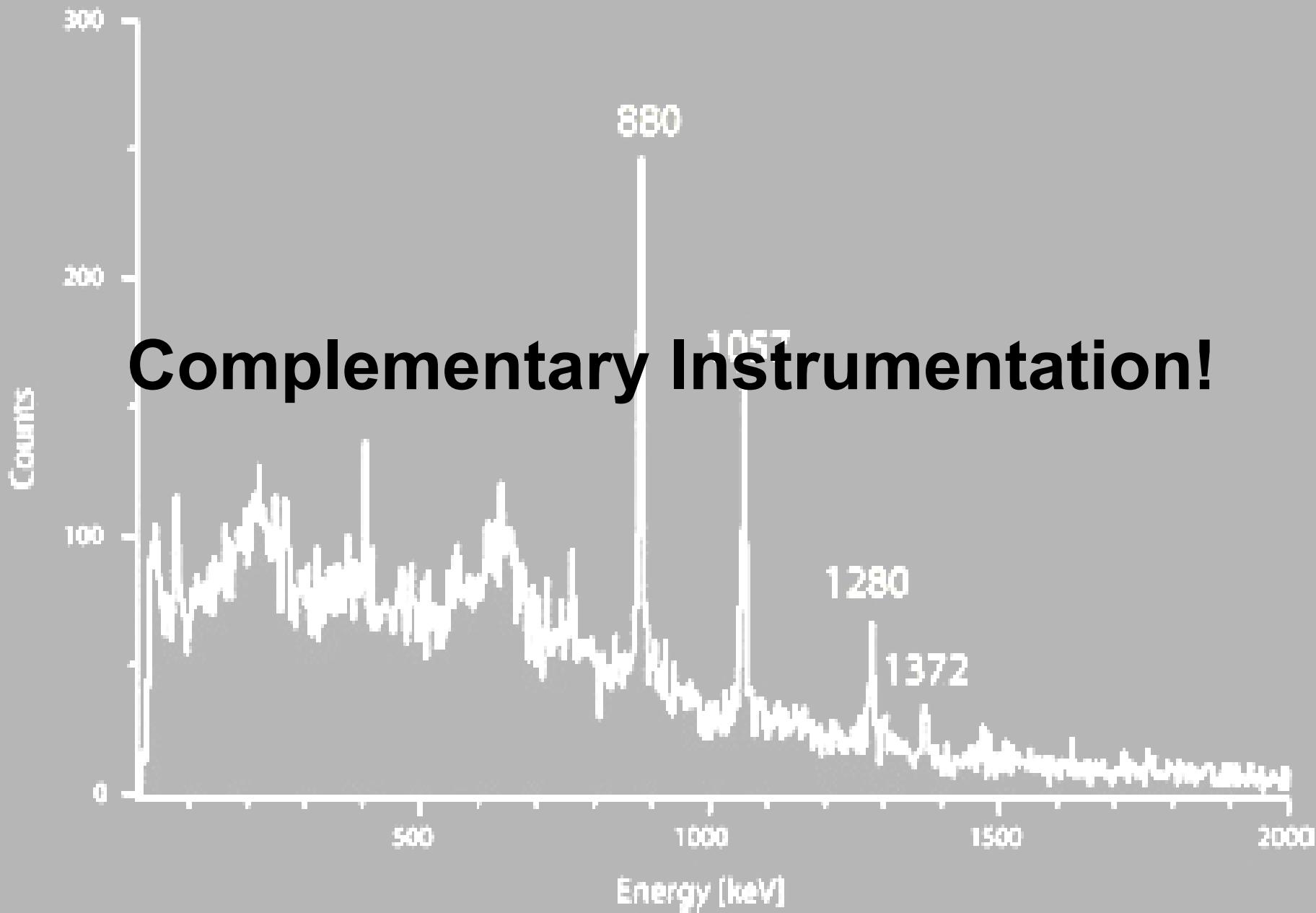
LSSM: S.Lenzi  $e\pi=1.31$   $ev=0.46$

In agreement with  $B(E2) = 817(102) \text{ e}^2\text{fm}^4$  by K.L.Yurkewicz, PRC 70 (2004) 034301. Not observed enhanced collectivity K.Arnswald PLB 772 (2017) 599

# Further Information on Reactions

## Cross-Section Determination:

- Inelastic, Transfer Reactions, Grazing etc...
  - <http://nrv.jinr.ru/nrv/>
- **GOSIA** (Coulomb excitation)
  - <http://www.pas.rochester.edu/~cline/Gosia/>
- **GRAZING MNT**
- Fusion-Evaporation Reactions
  - PACE in LISE++: <http://lise.nscl.msu.edu/lise.html>
    - HIVAP: W. Reisdorf, Z. Phys. A 300, 227 (1981)
- Relativistic Coulomb Excitation
  - DWEIKO: C. Bertulani et al. Comput. Phys. Commun. 152 (2003) 317.
- Fragmentation, Knock-out etc..
  - LISE++: <http://lise.nscl.msu.edu/lise.html>



# Complementary Instrumentation

- Fundamental to increase the sensitivity of the  $\gamma$ -ray detector. Identifying the reaction channel or reaction products:
  - Particle detectors (Light charged particles or neutrons)
  - Spectrometers (Identification of the reaction products)
  - Beam Trackers (for relativistic experiments)
  - etc...
- Fundamental to perform some measurements
  - Plunger devices for RDDS measurements
  - Fast Scintillators for timing measurements
  - etc...

