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# Precision mass measurements of short-lived nuclei at heavy ions storage ring CSRe in Lanzhou

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## Downtown area of Lanzhou



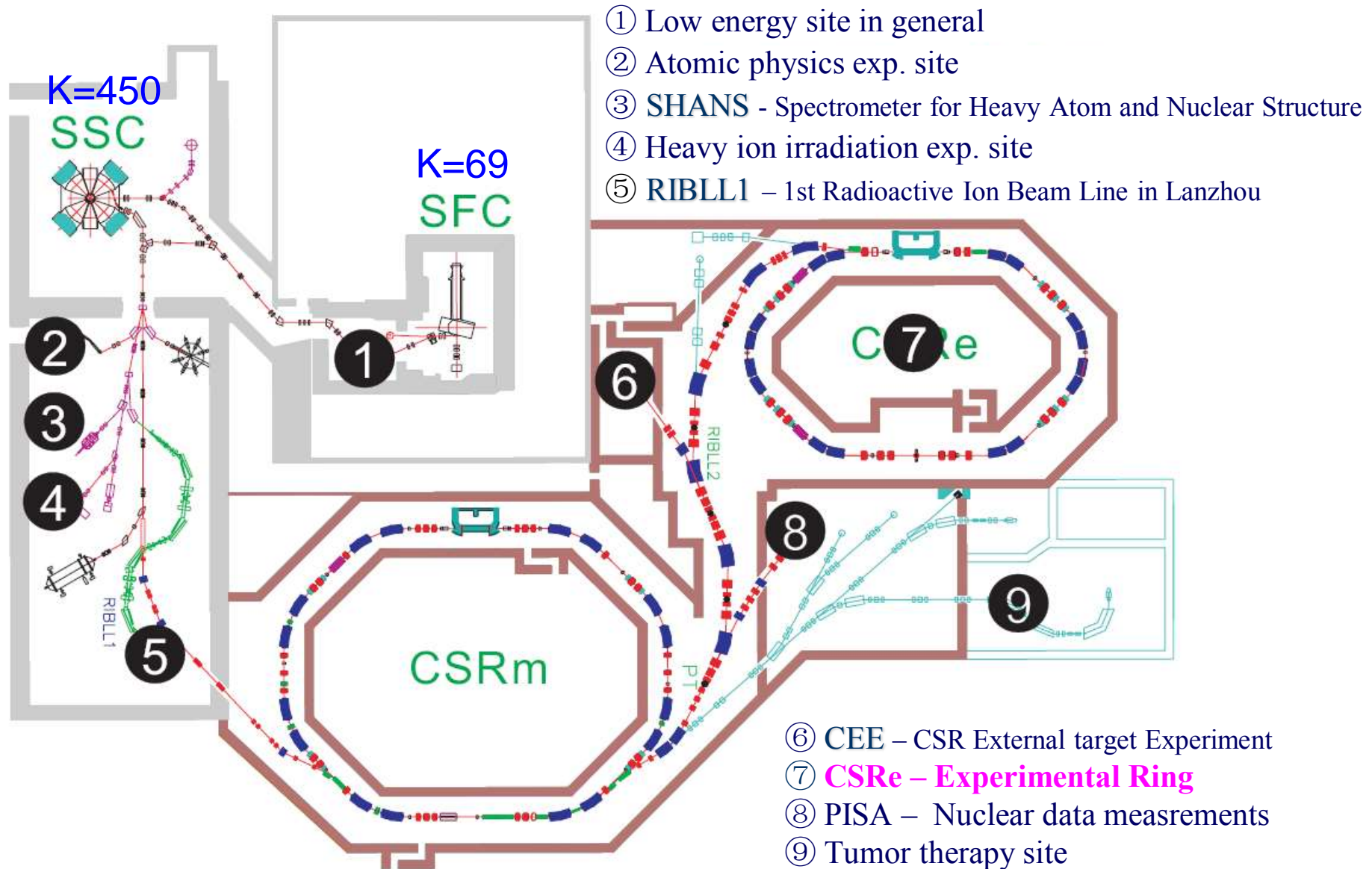


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2.  $B\rho$ -defined isochronous mass spectrometry IMS
3. New masses from  $B\rho$ -IMS and its impacts on nuclear structure & nuclear astrophysics
4. Summary & perspective





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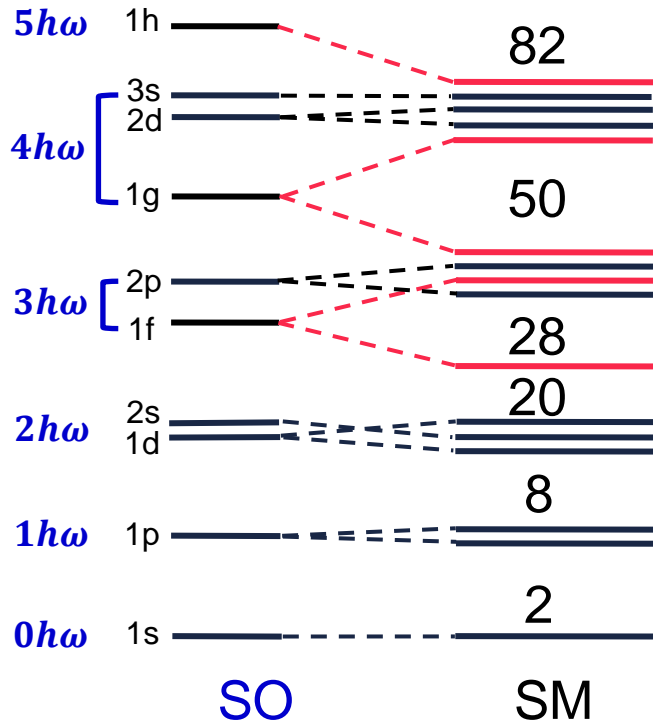
## Importance of mass measurements



M.G Mayer



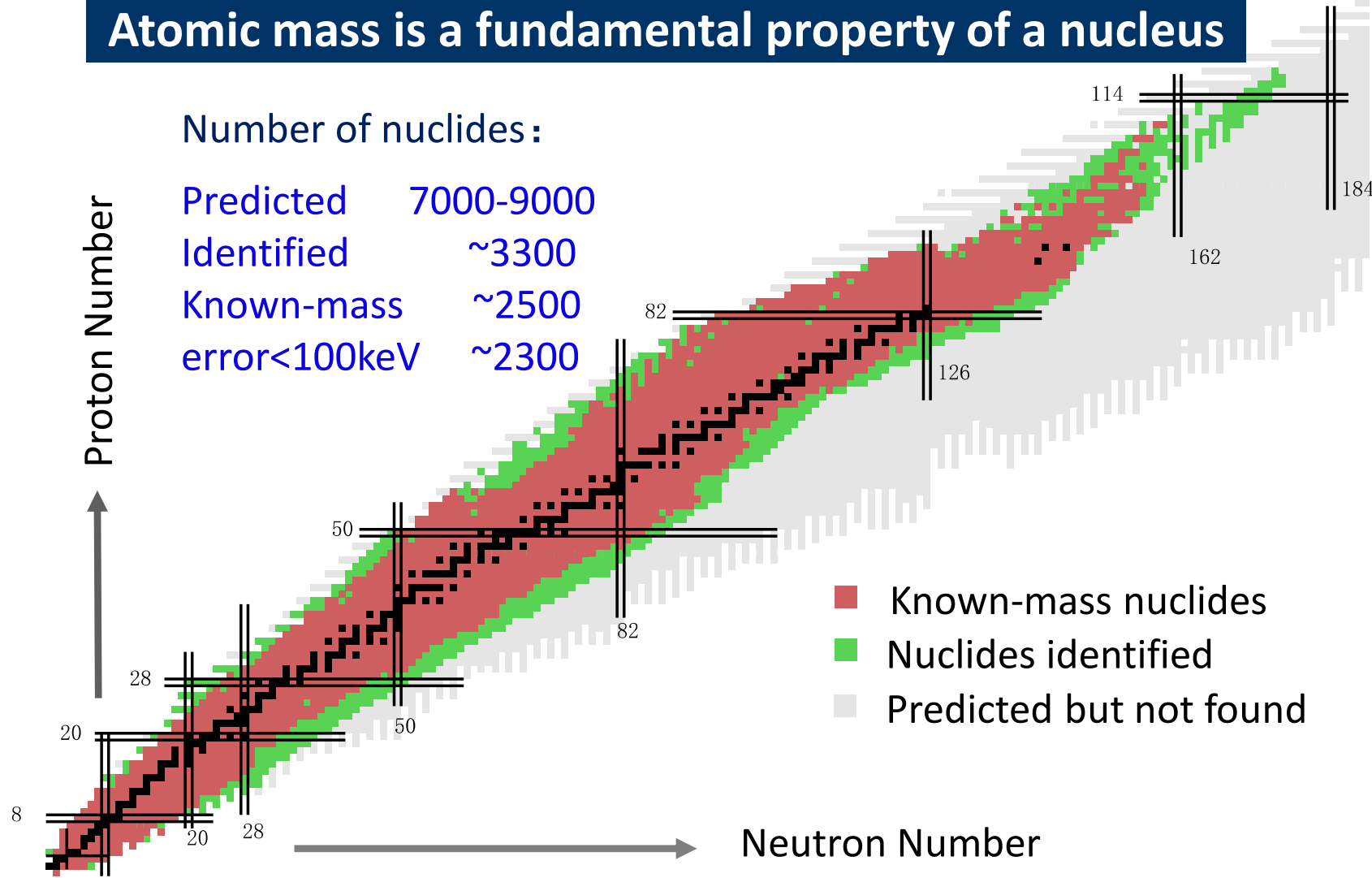
J.H.D. Jensen



### Atomic mass is a fundamental property of a nucleus

Number of nuclides:

Predicted	7000-9000
Identified	~3300
Known-mass	~2500
error < 100keV	~2300



- Known-mass nuclides
- Nuclides identified
- Predicted but not found



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## Importance of mass measurements



### Applications in nuclear astrophysics



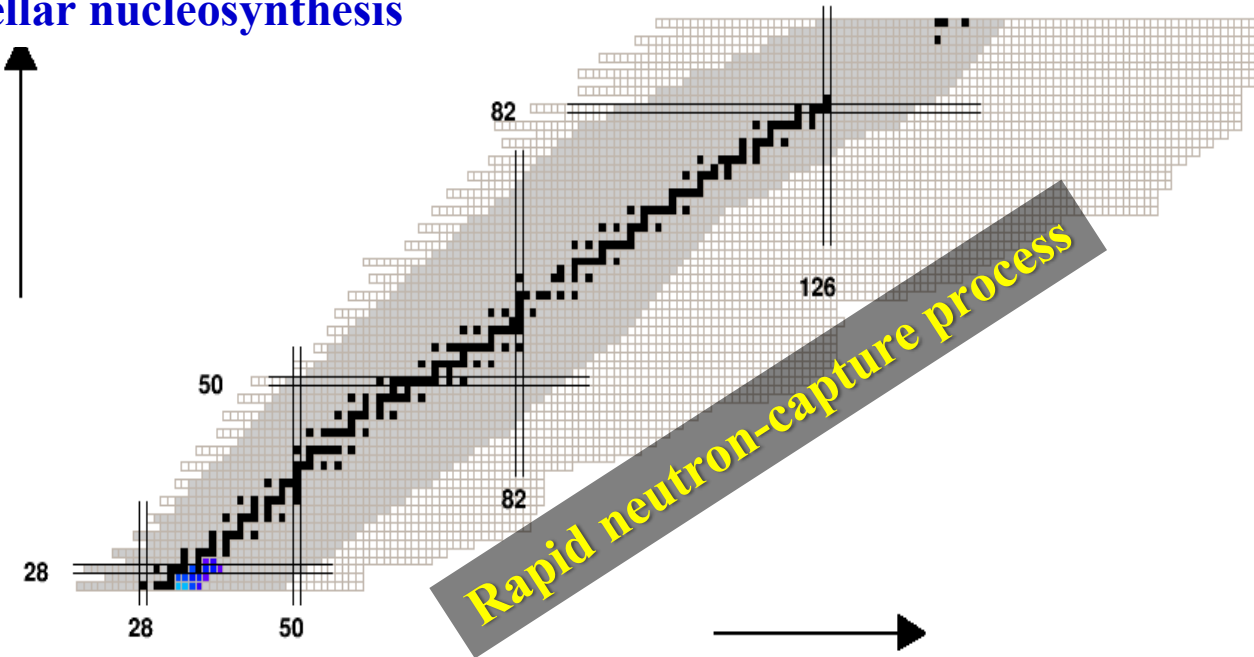
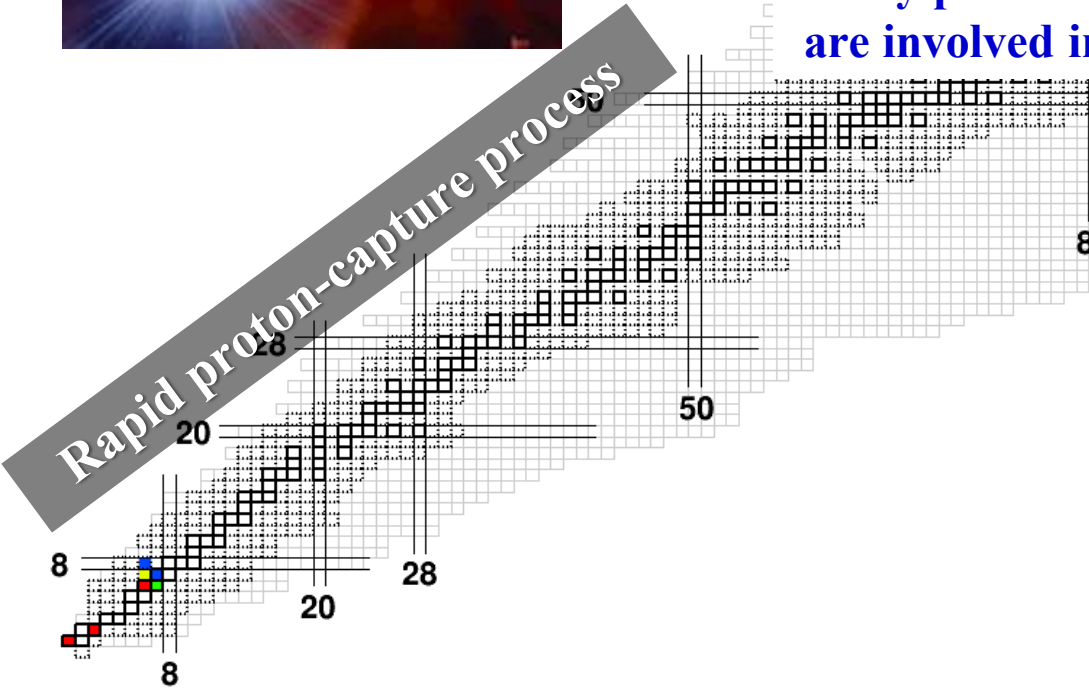
**X-ray burst**

Nuclear physics input:  
**Atomic masses, lifetimes,  
reaction rates, etc**

Very proton-rich or neutron-rich nuclei  
are involved in the stellar nucleosynthesis



**Neutron star merger**

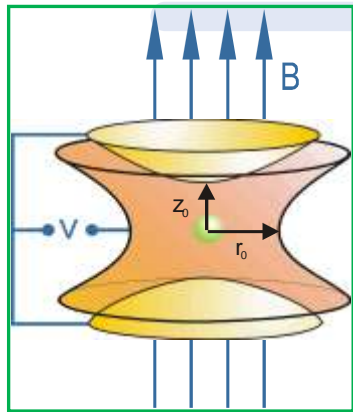




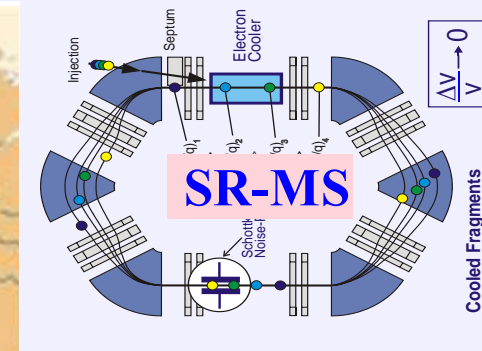
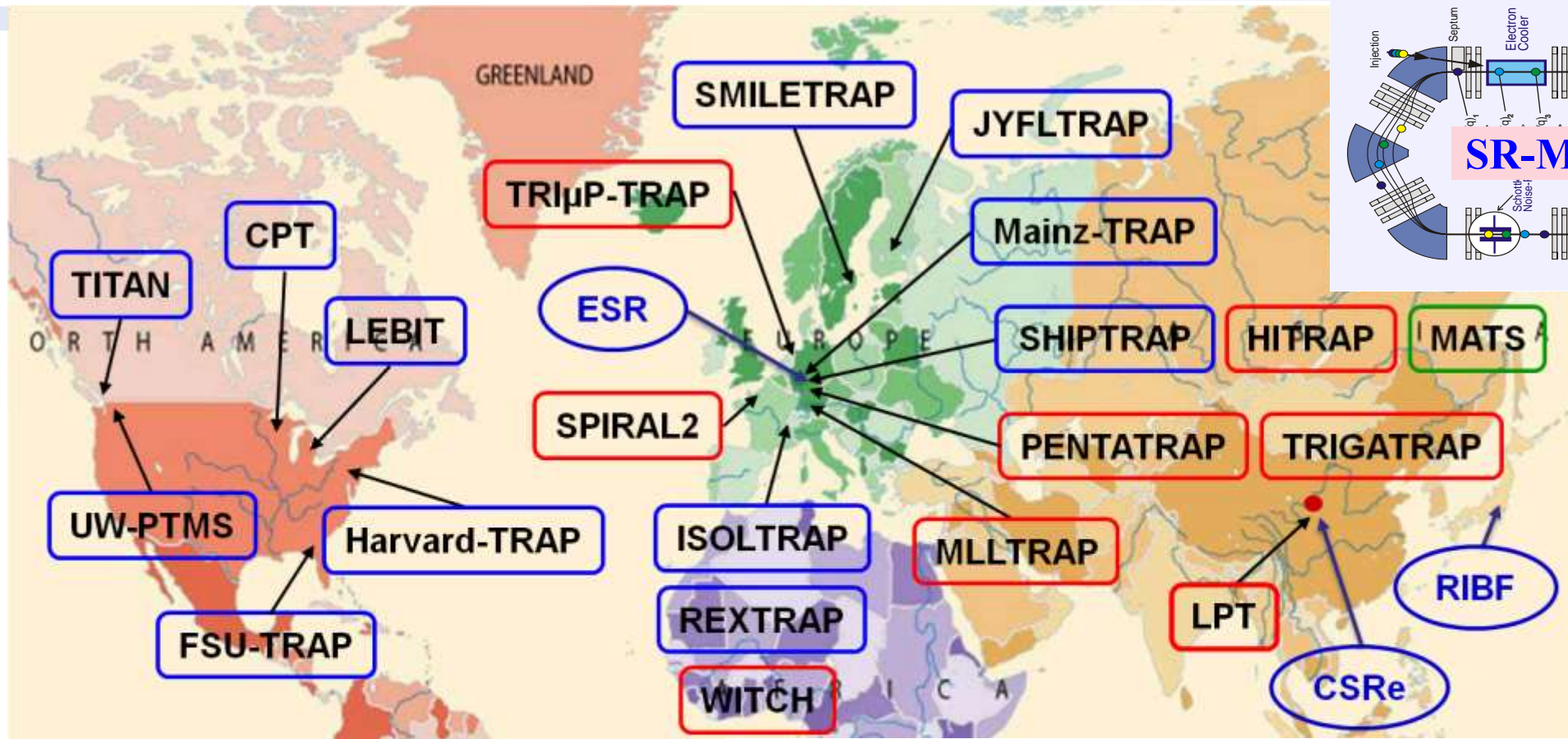


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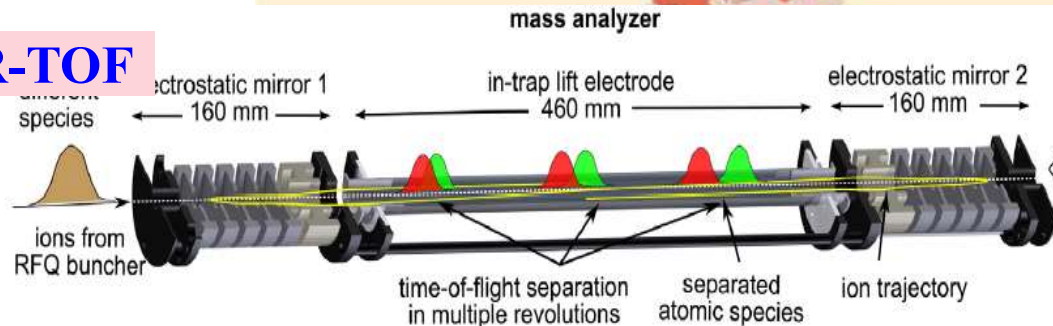
## Advanced mass spectrometry



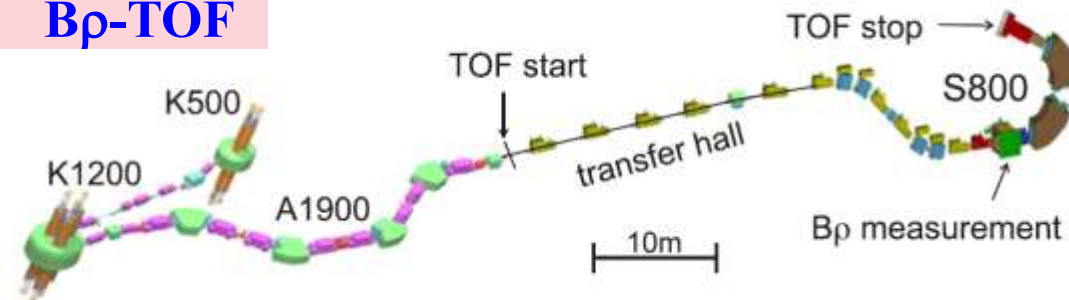
Penning Trap



### MR-TOF

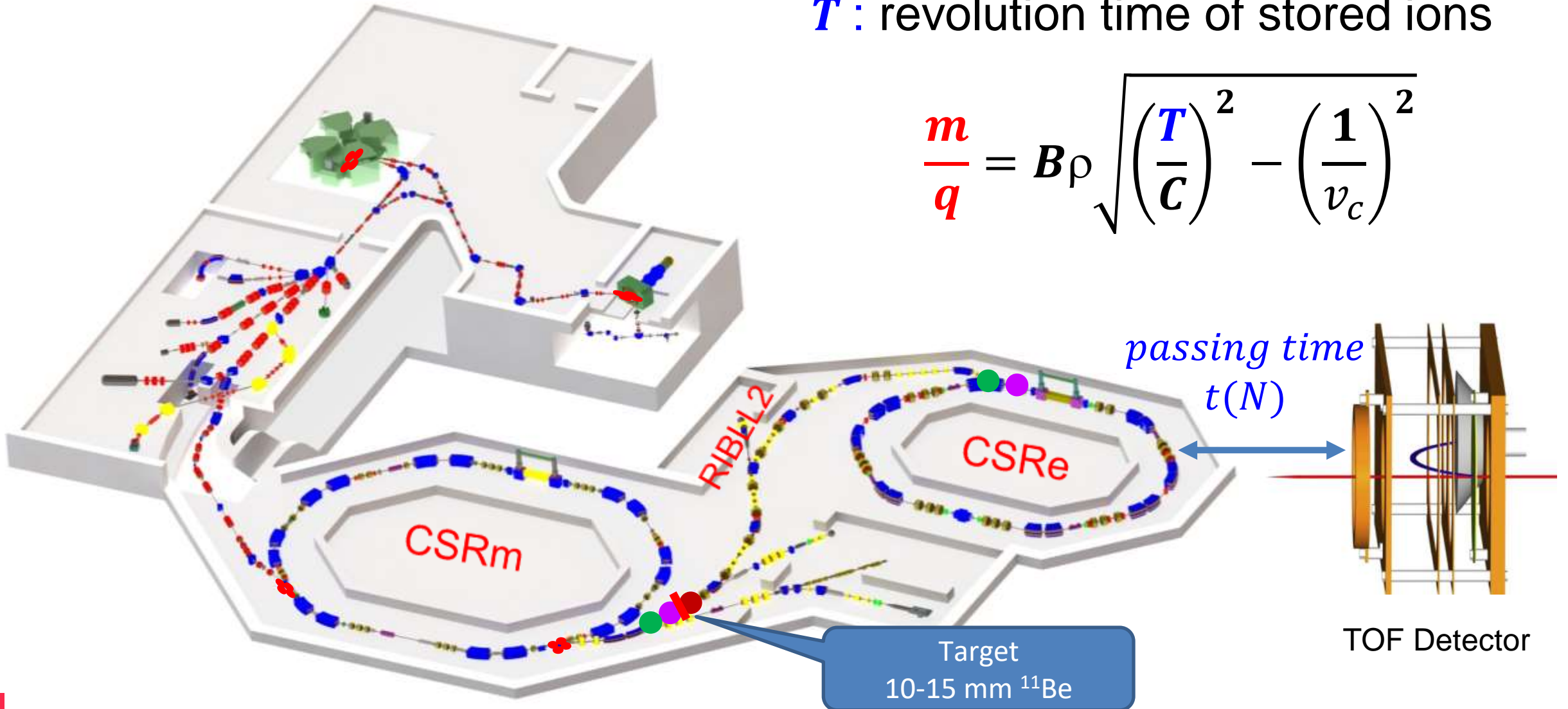


### B $\rho$ -TOF



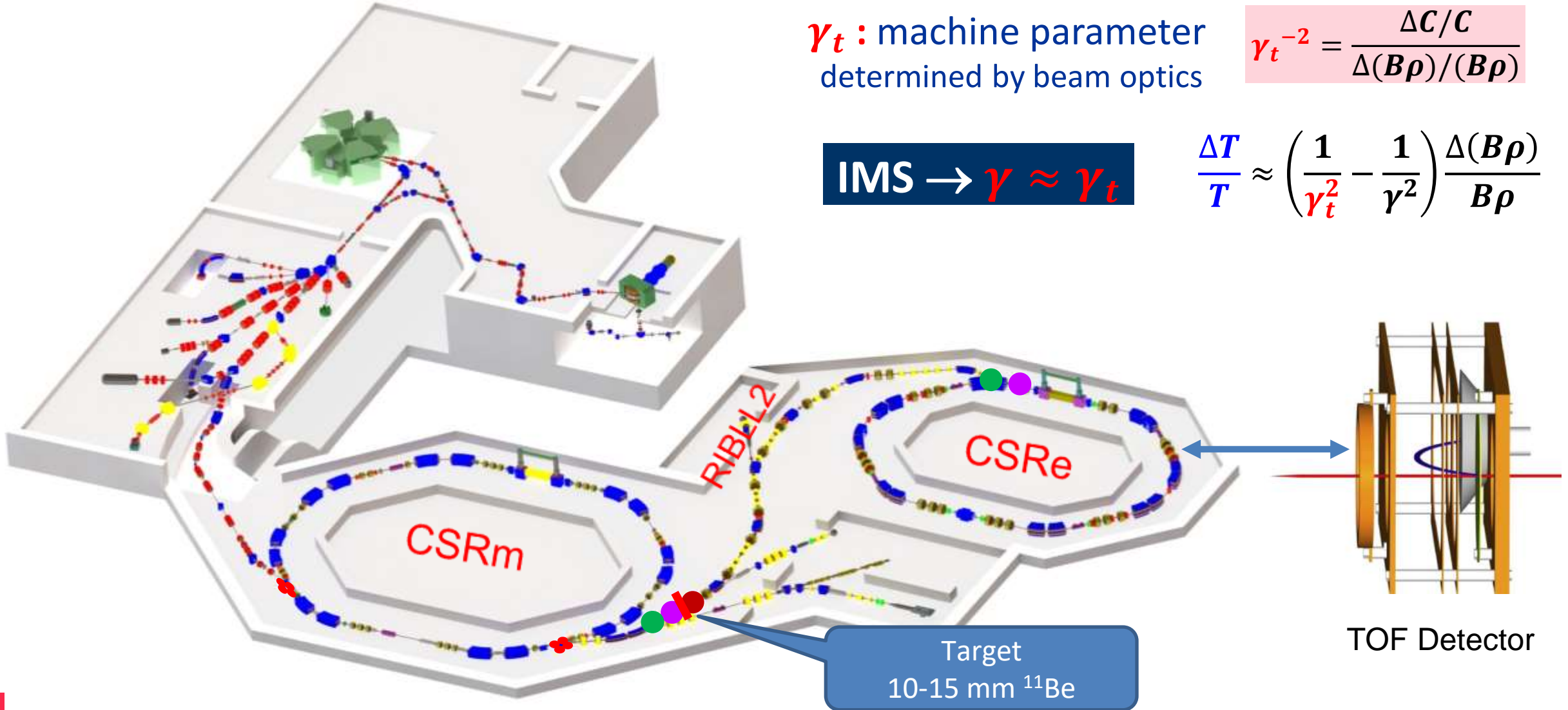


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$\gamma_t$ : machine parameter determined by beam optics

$$\gamma_t^{-2} = \frac{\Delta C/C}{\Delta(B\rho)/(B\rho)}$$

IMS  $\rightarrow \gamma \approx \gamma_t$

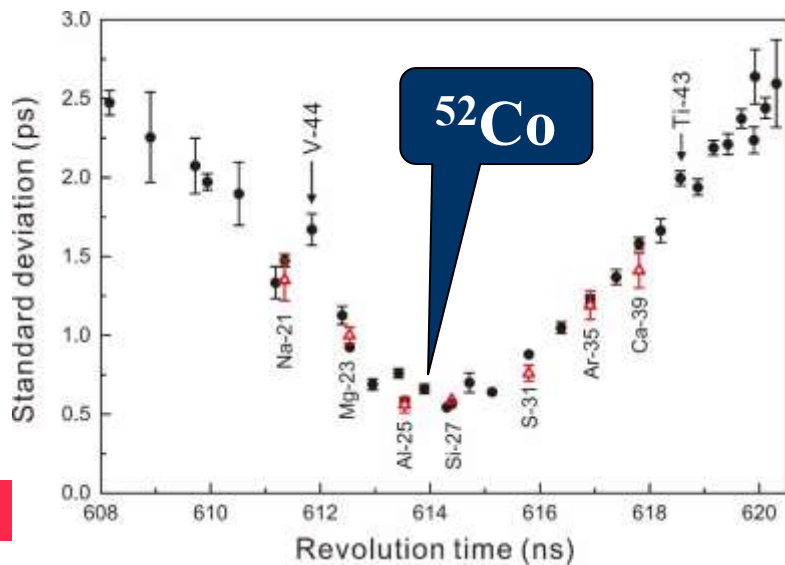
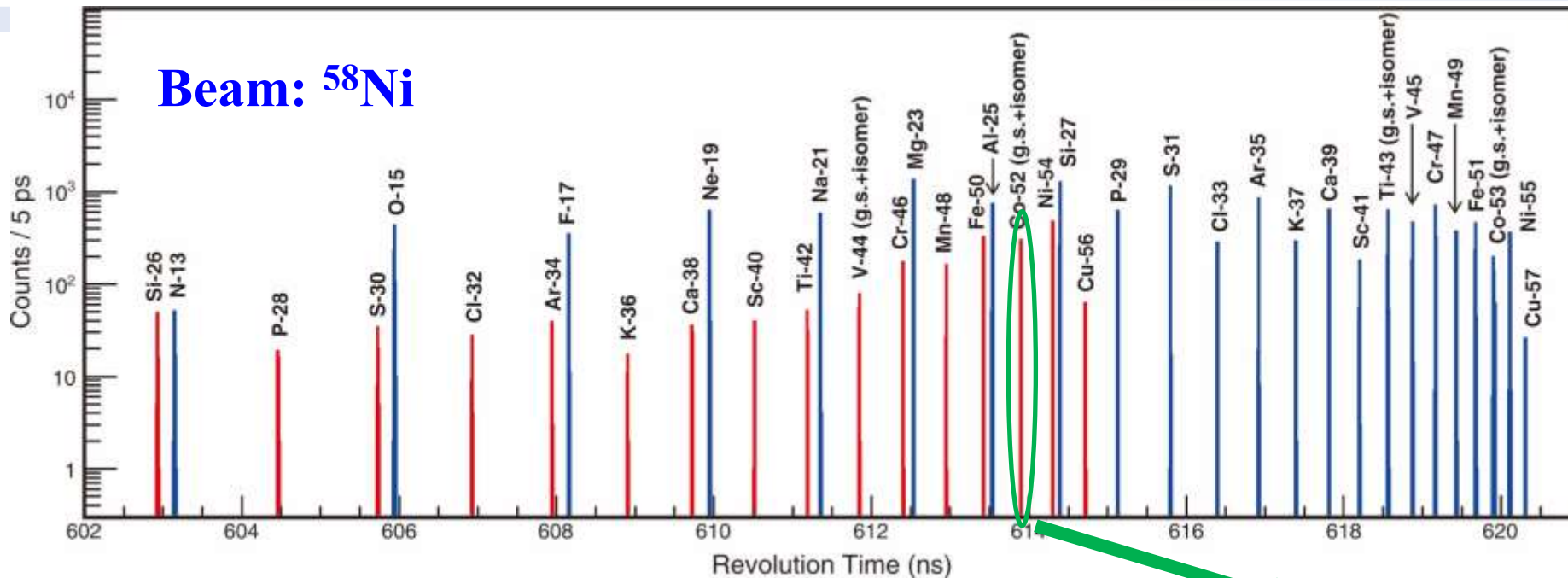
$$\frac{\Delta T}{T} \approx \left( \frac{1}{\gamma_t^2} - \frac{1}{\gamma^2} \right) \frac{\Delta(B\rho)}{B\rho}$$

Target  
10-15 mm  $^{11}\text{Be}$

TOF Detector

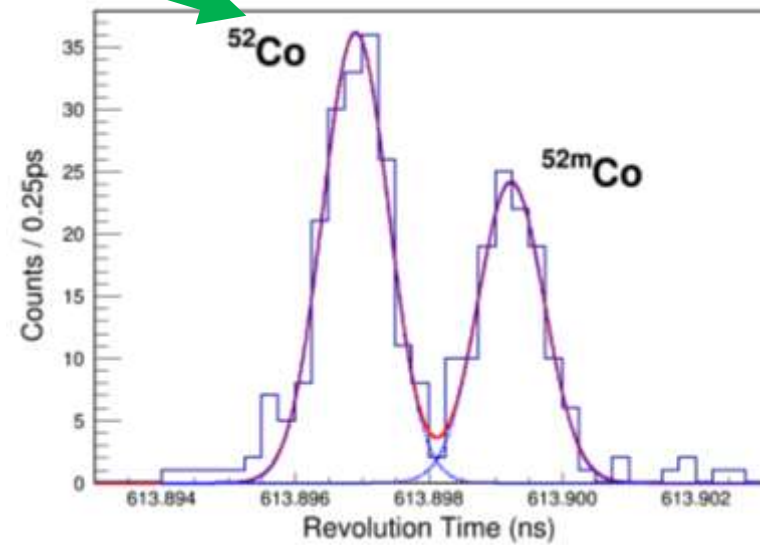


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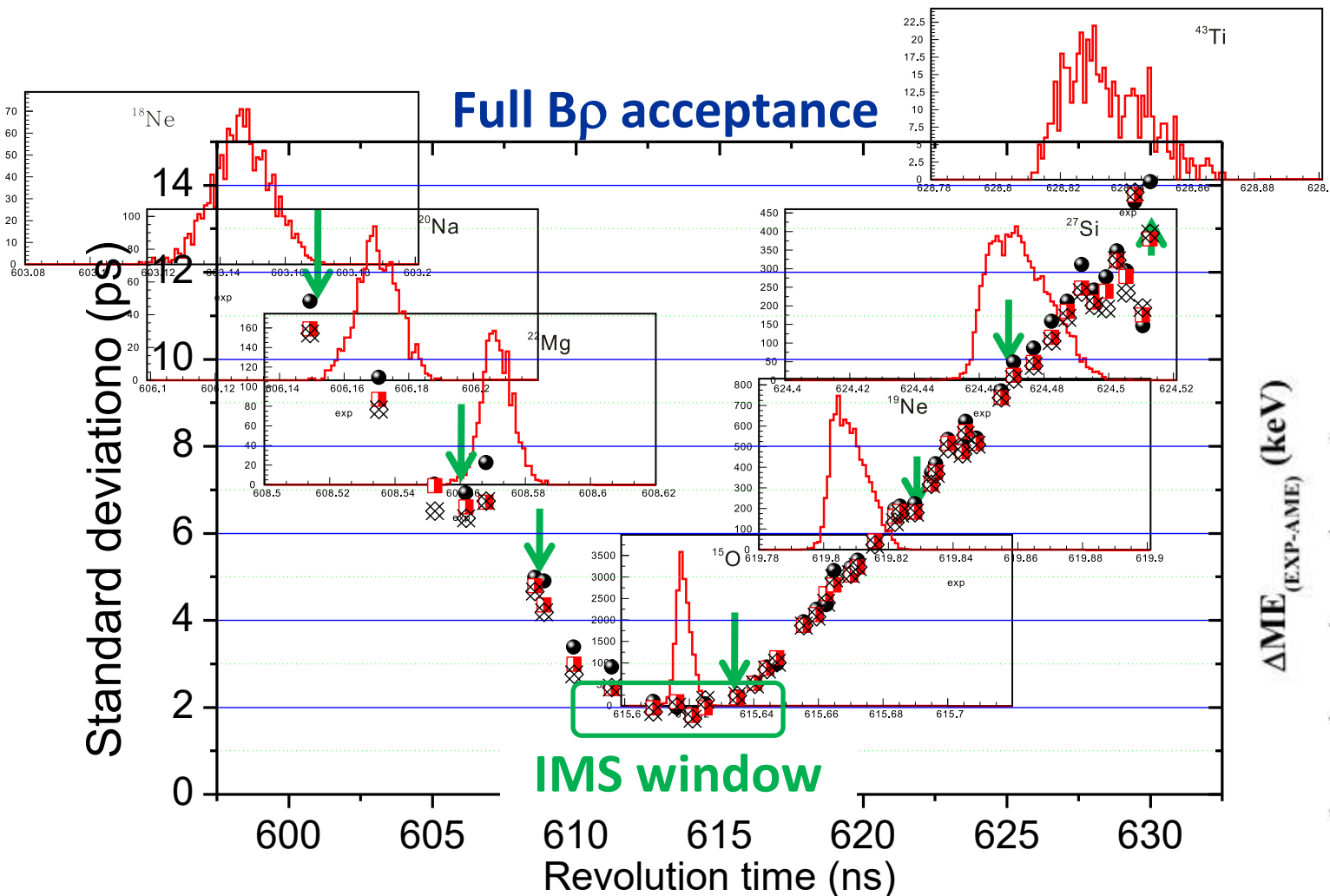
a slit is used to constrain the  $B\rho$  acceptance

1 ps  $\rightarrow$  150 keV

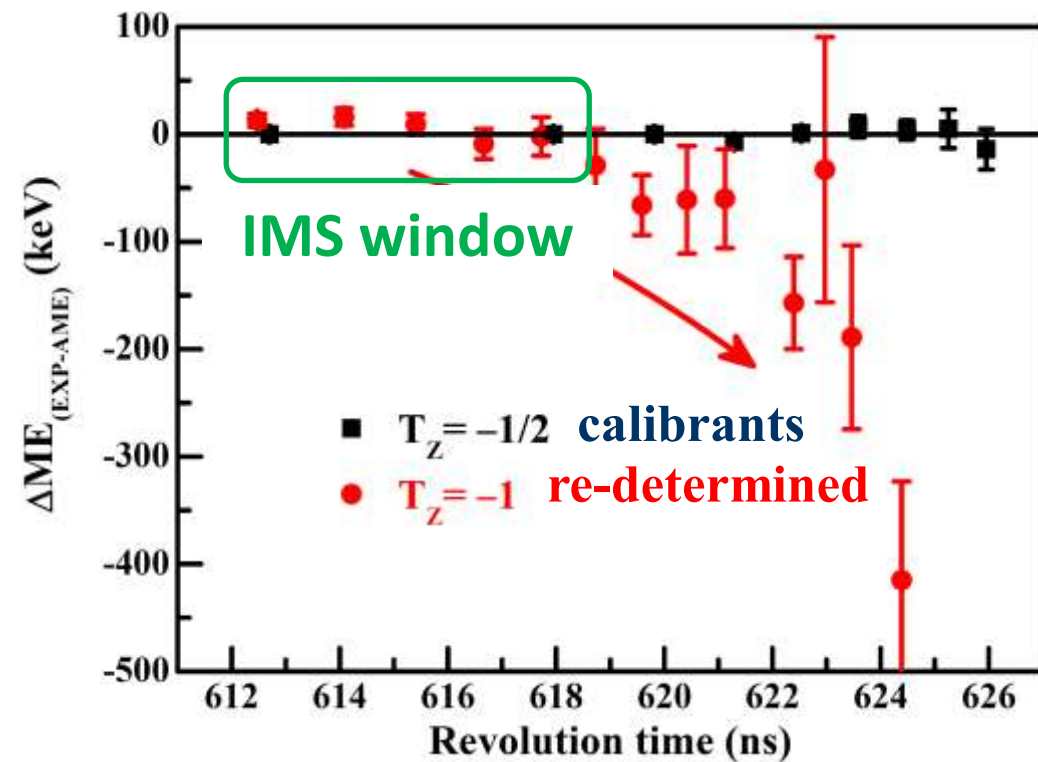




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Full Bp acceptance causes **systematic deviation**





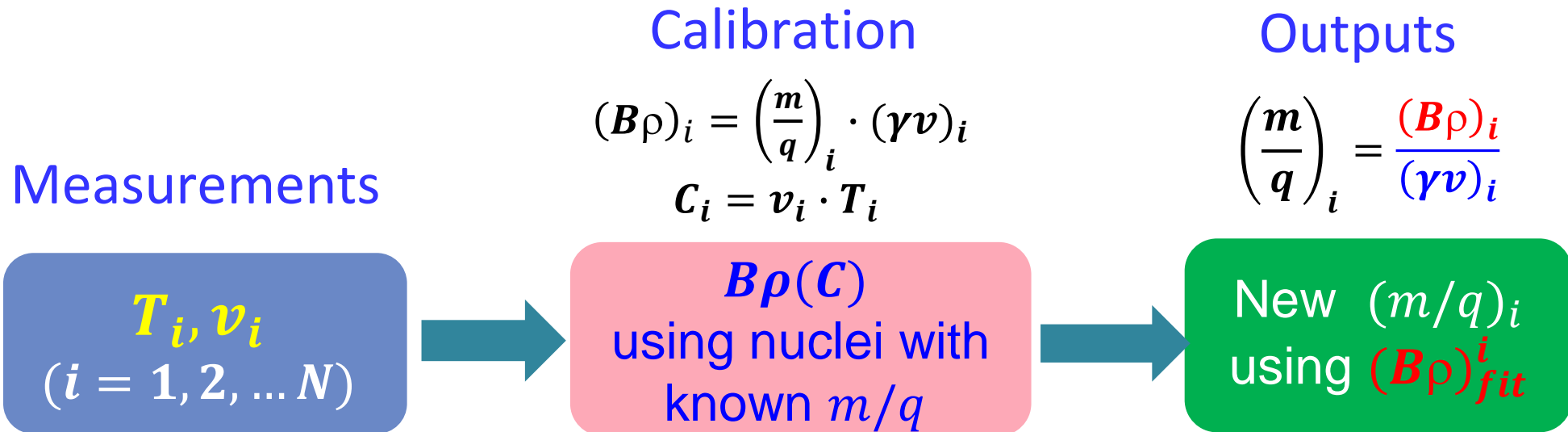
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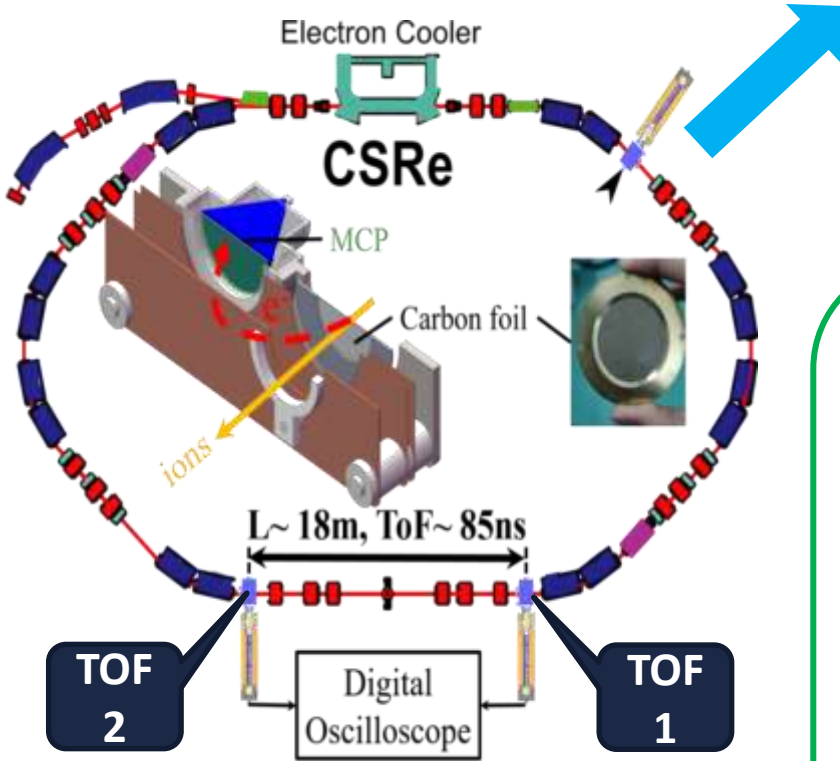


### Principle of mass determinations with $B\rho$ -IMS

P. M. Walker, et al.,  
ILIMA Technical Proposal, GSI, 2005.

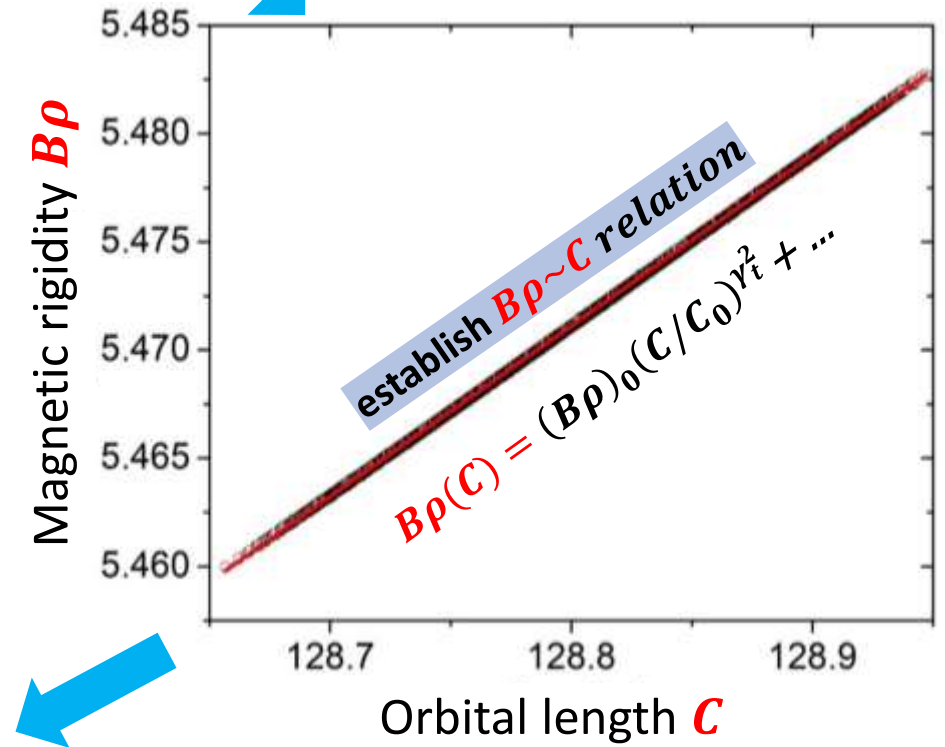
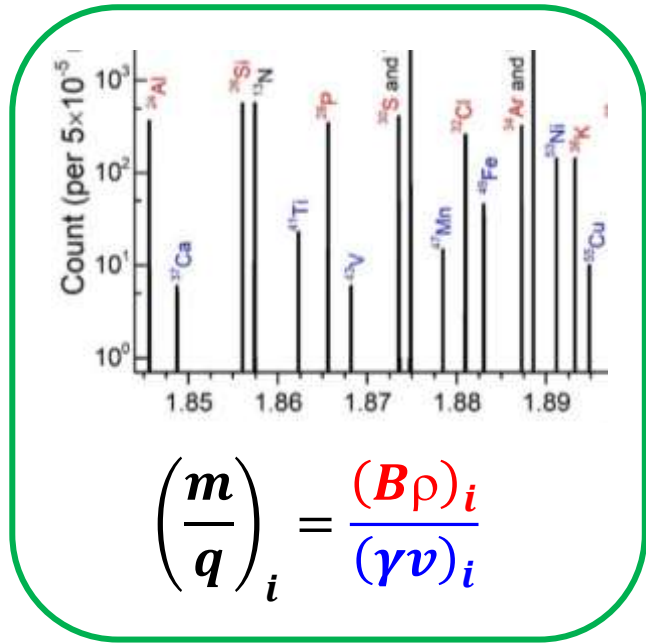
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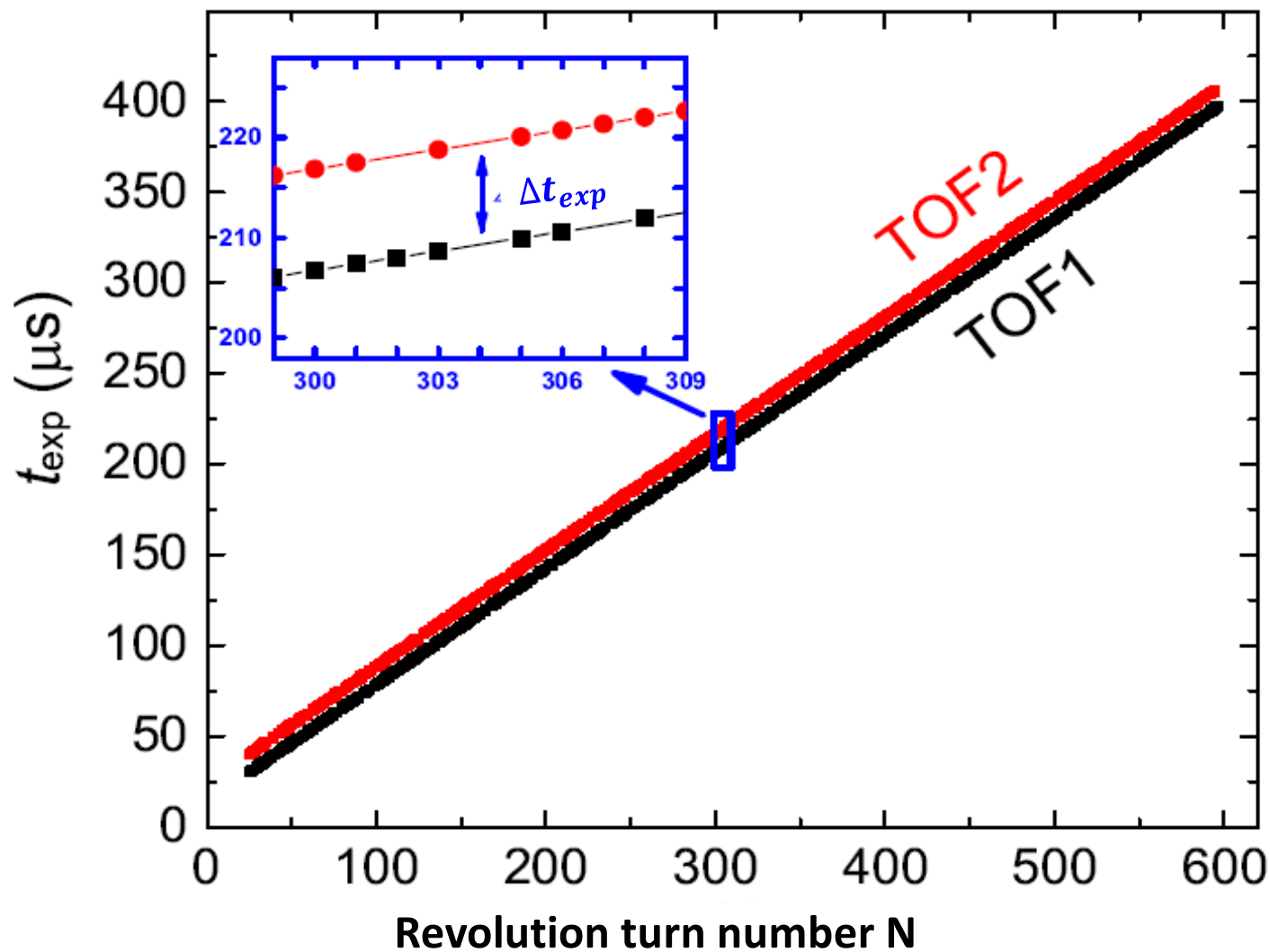
From  $\left\{ T, v, \frac{m}{q} \right\}$ ,  $\rightarrow B\rho, C$

$B\rho = m/q \cdot \gamma v$   
 $C = T \cdot v$

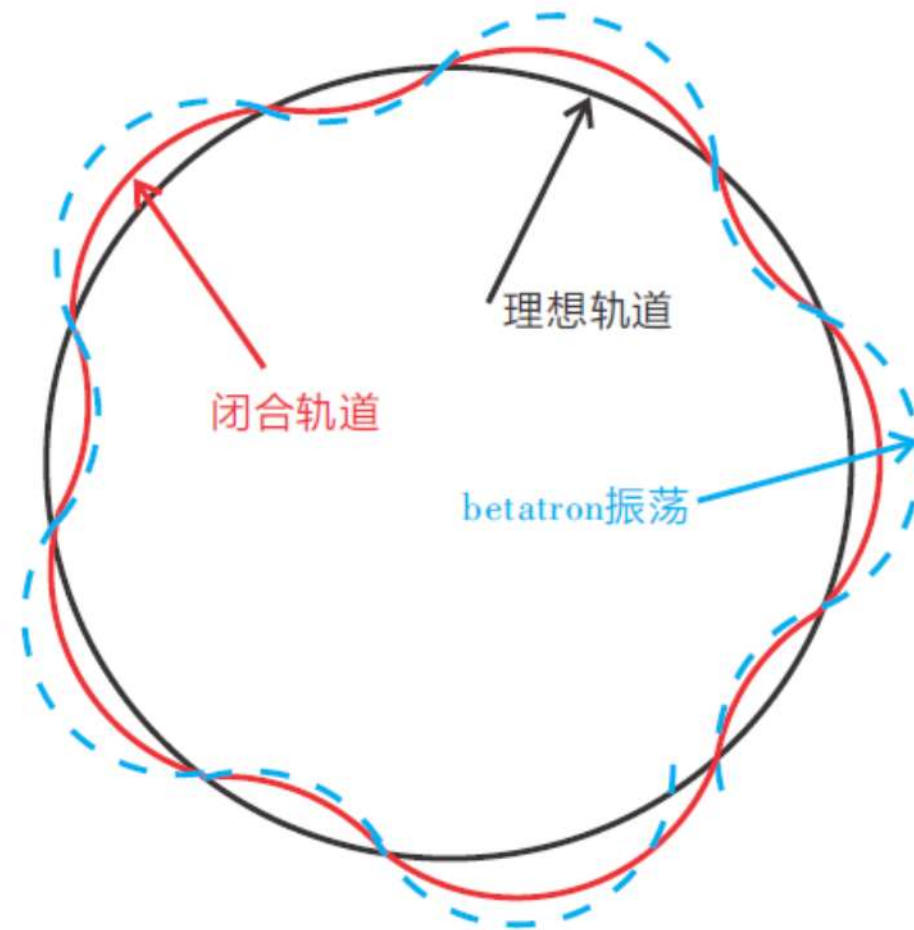




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### Betatron oscillation







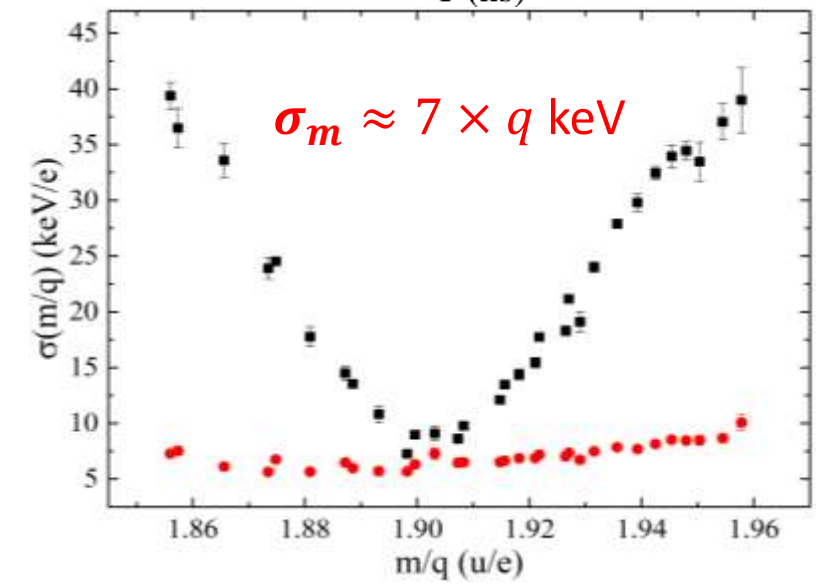
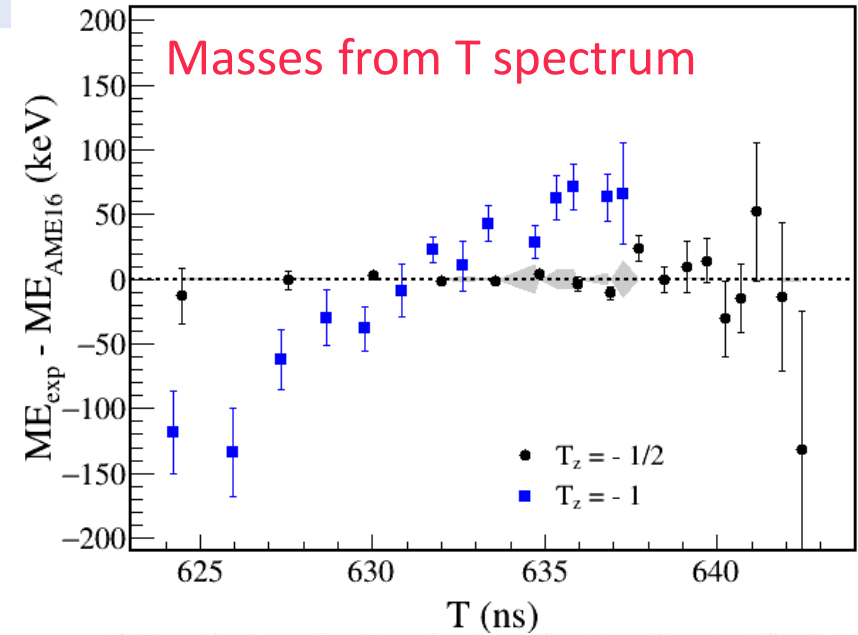
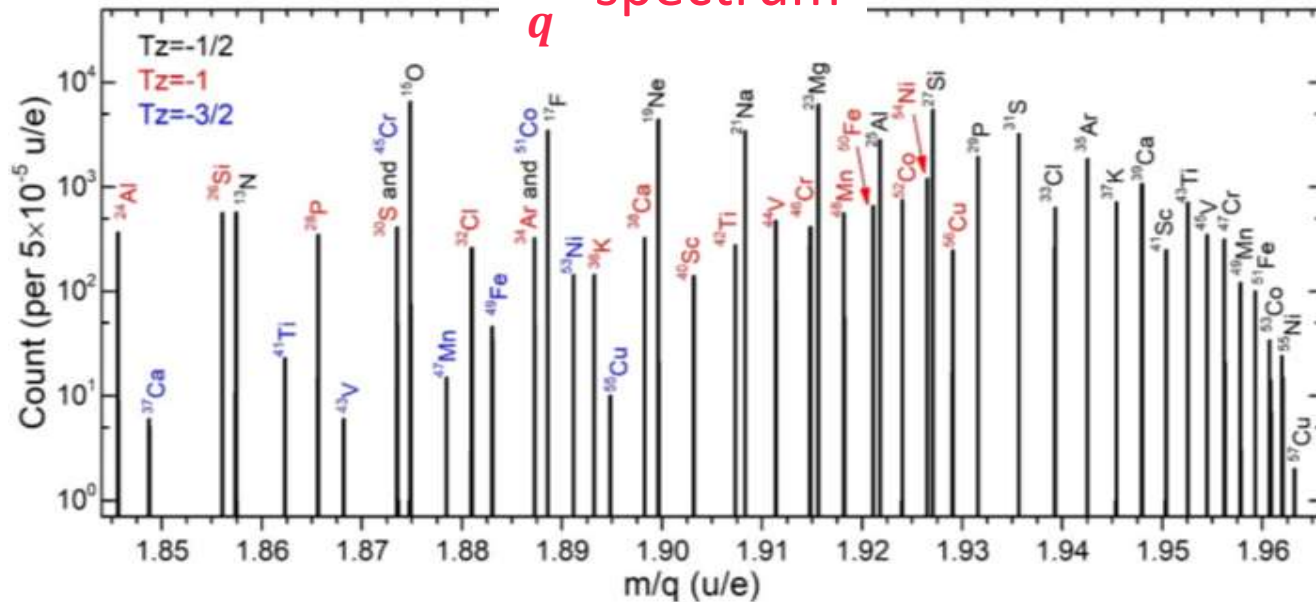
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## Masses determinations

$$(m/q)_{exp}^i = \frac{B\rho(C_{exp}^i)}{(\gamma\nu)_{exp}^i}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots N_t$$

$\frac{m}{q}$  spectrum



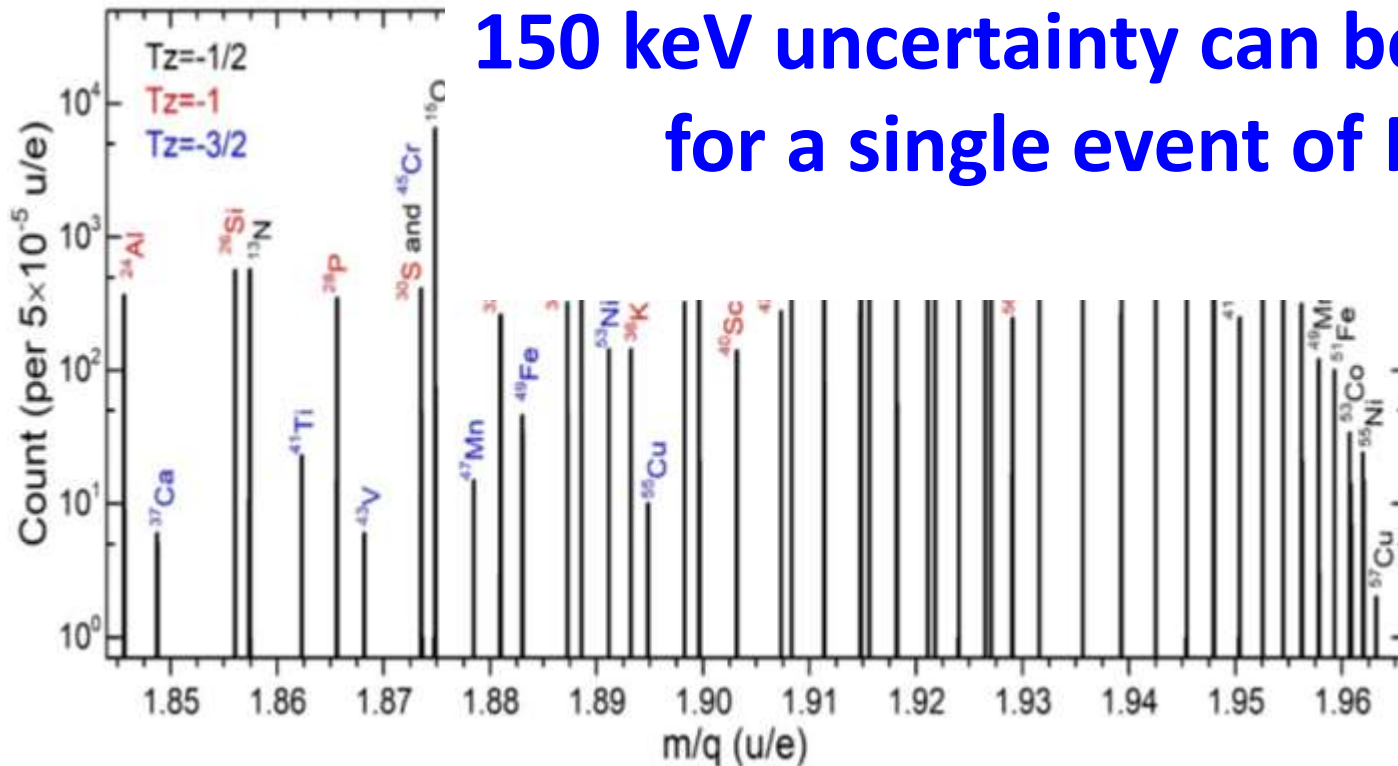


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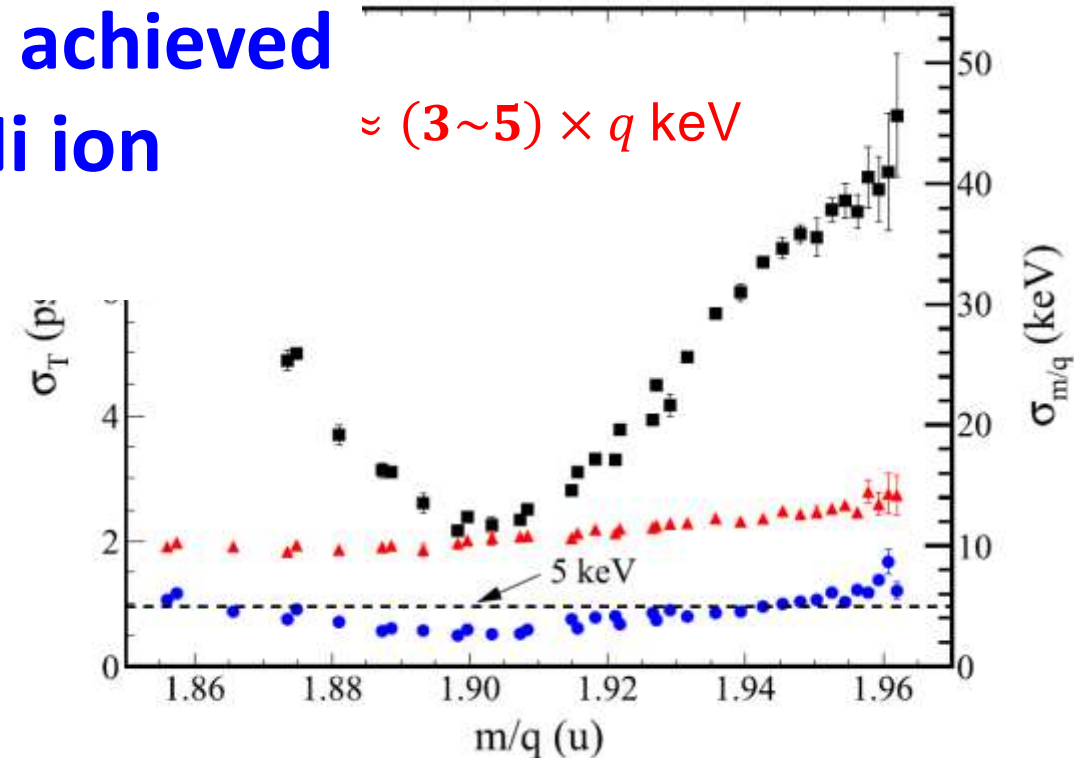


Mass resolving powers are significantly improved after field drift correction for all nuclides in the large  $m/q$ -range of  $\Delta(m/q) \approx 0.10 \text{ u e}^{-1}$

$^{58}\text{Ni}$  beam



**150 keV uncertainty can be achieved for a single event of Ni ion**

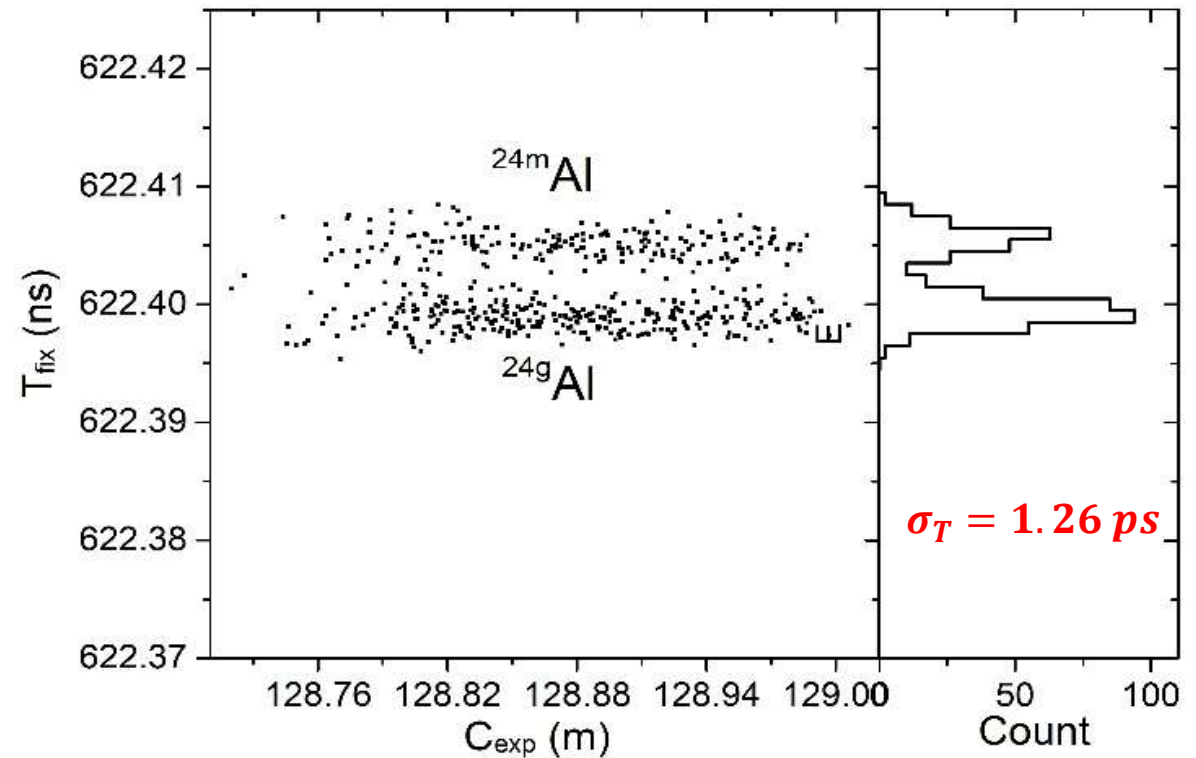
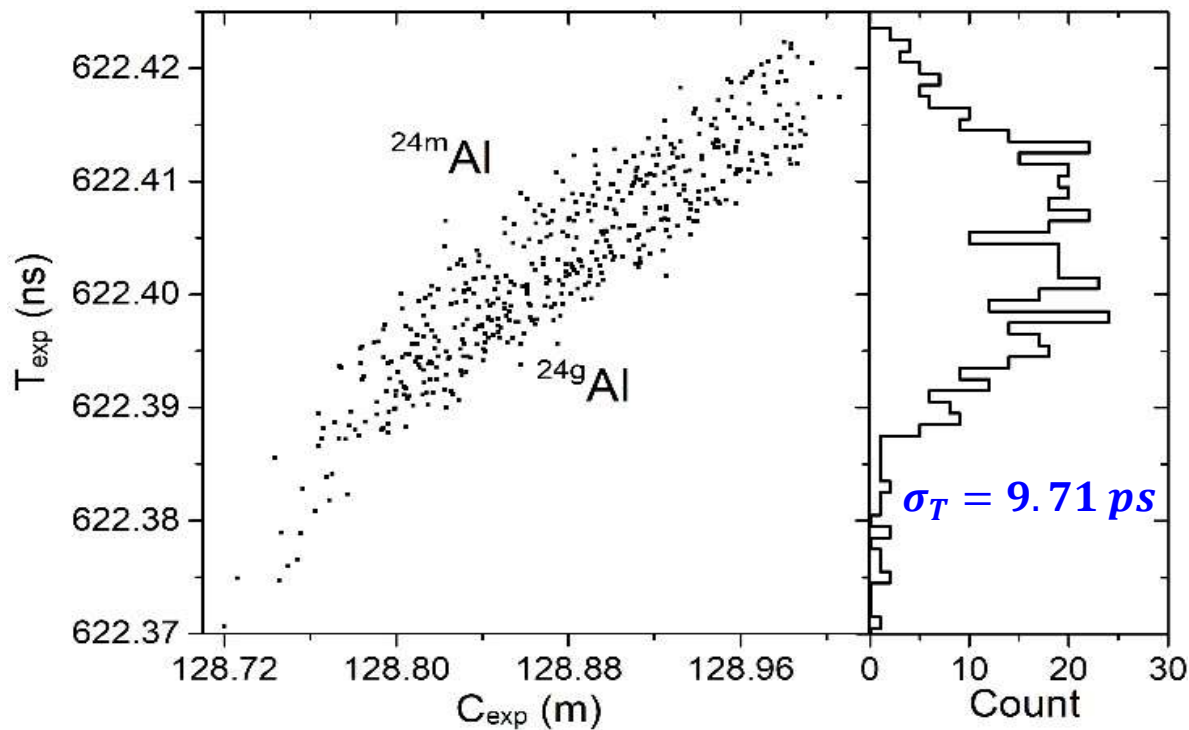




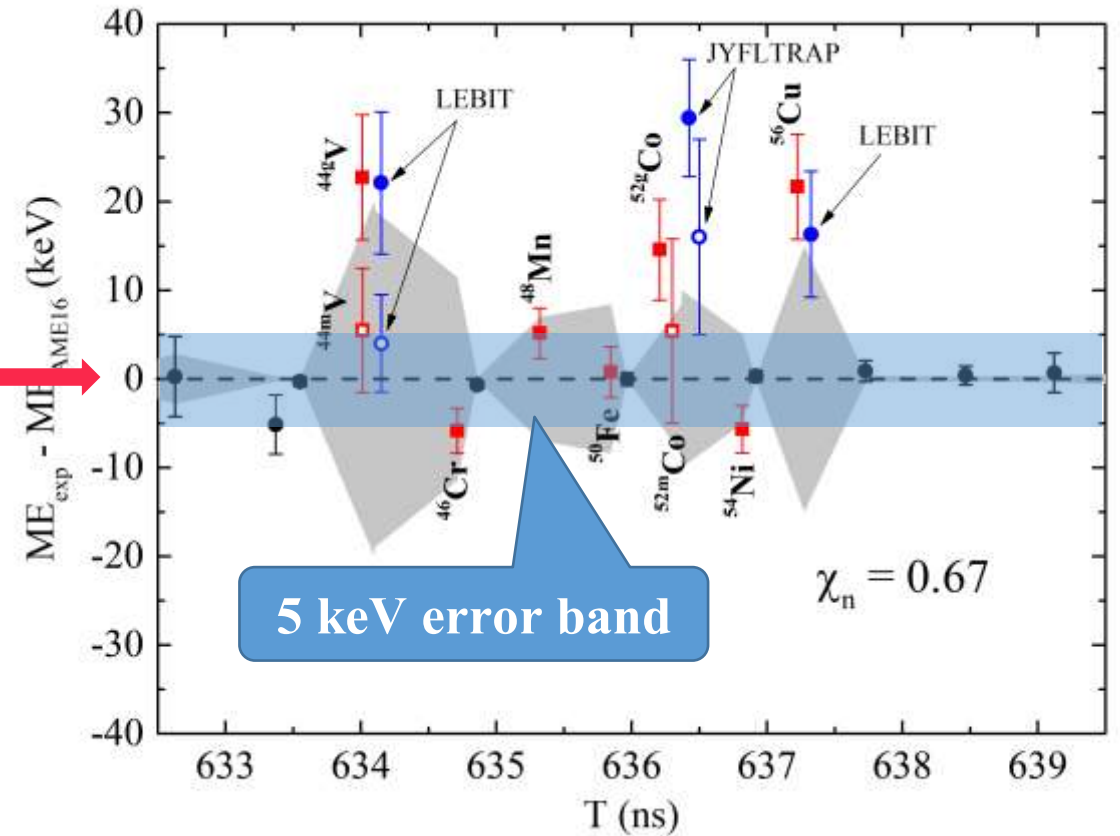
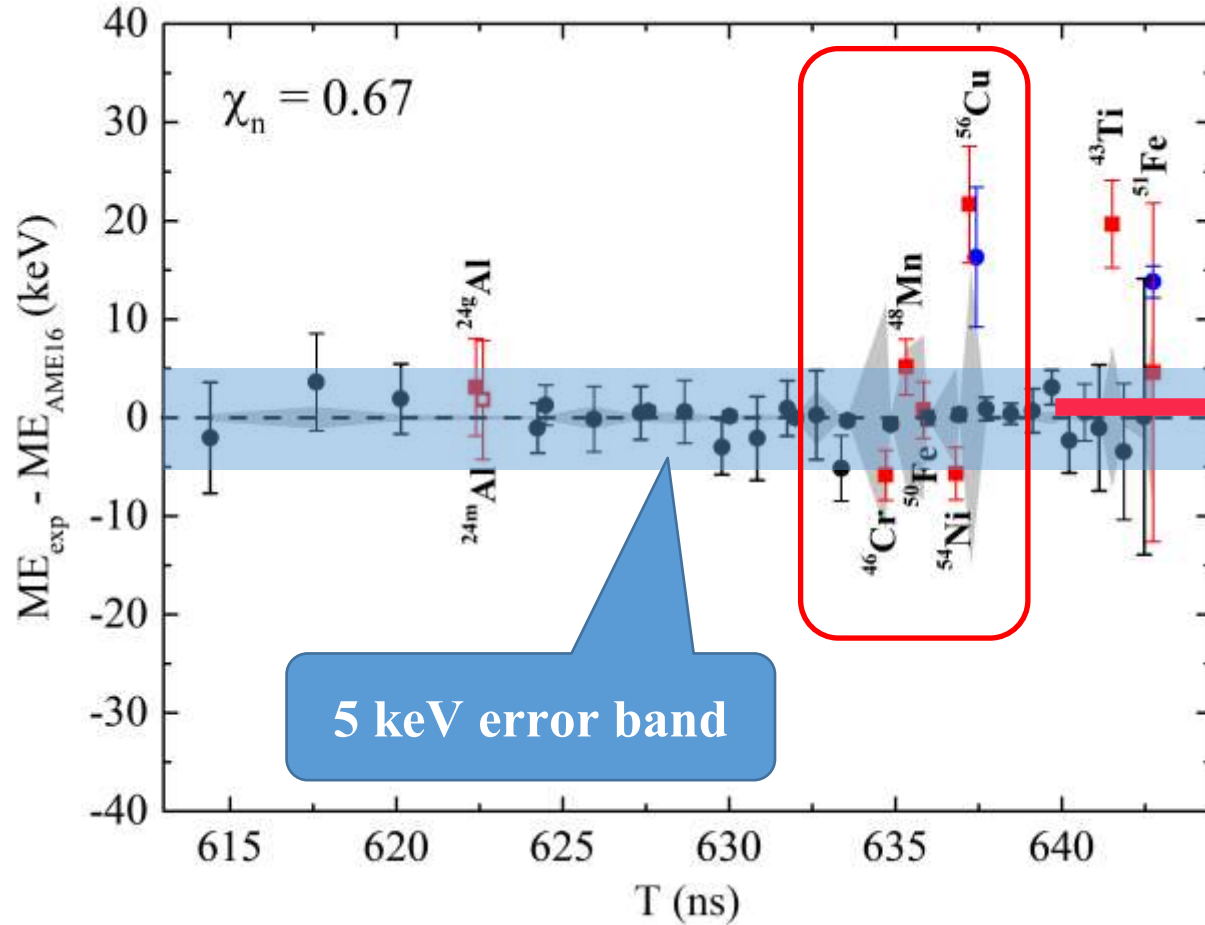
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$$T_{fix}^i = C_{fix} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{(B\rho)_{fix}^2} \cdot \left[ \left( \frac{m}{q} \right)_{exp}^i \right]^2 + \left( \frac{1}{v_c} \right)^2}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \dots$$



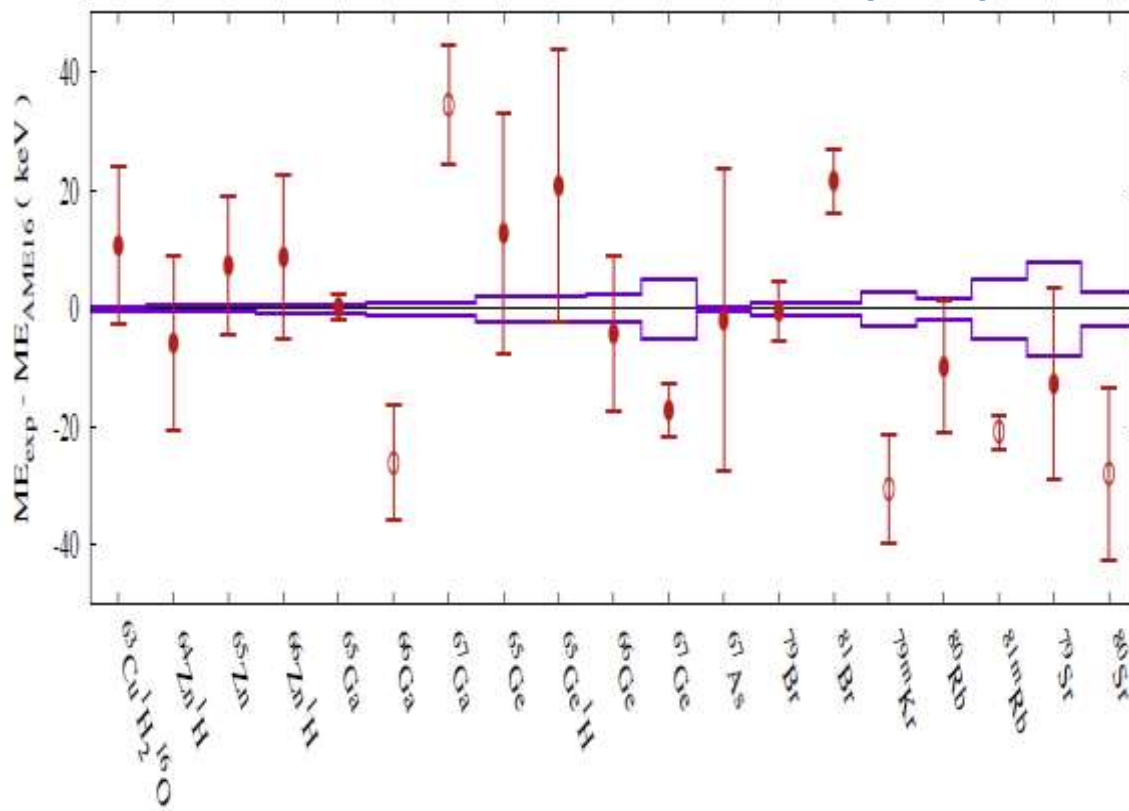
## Re-determined masses of $T_z = -1$ nuclei



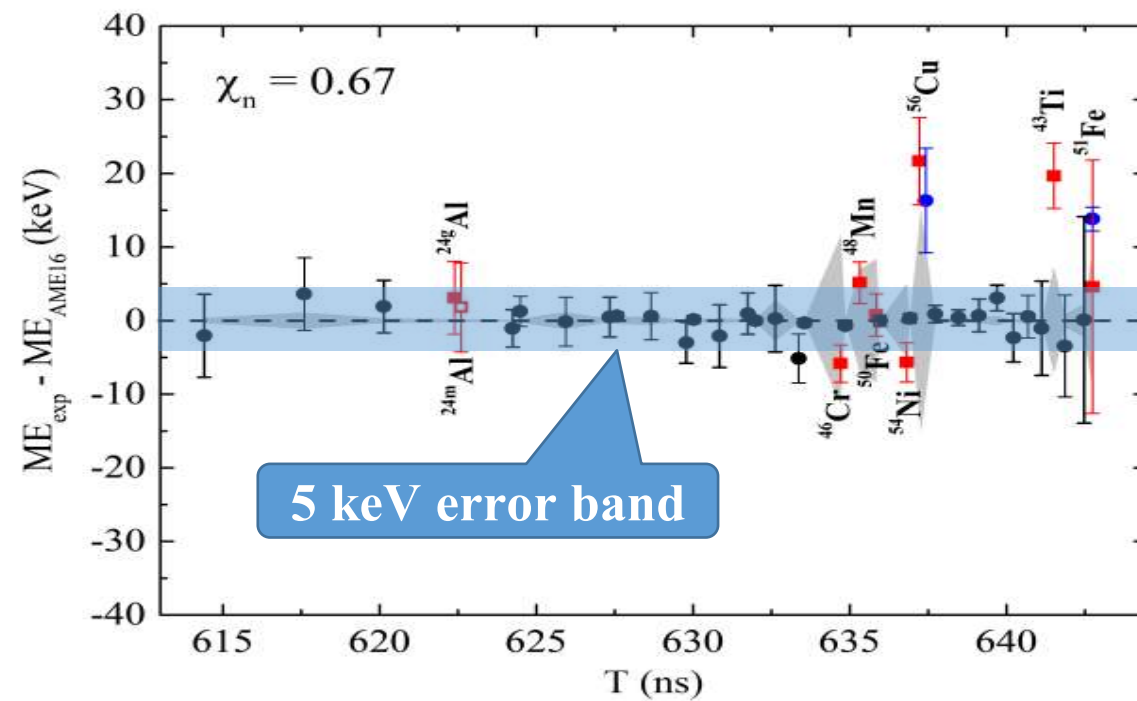
## Comparison with MR-TOF-MS@RIKEN

Mass accuracy using MR-TOF-MS at RIKEN

S. Kimura et al., IJMS 430, 134(2018)



Mass accuracy using  $B\rho$ -IMS at IMP





## 2. $B\rho$ -defined isochronous mass spectrometry IMS



### Advantages of $B\rho$ -defined IMS

- 1) Fast measurement:  $t_{exp} \approx 0.1 \text{ ms}$
- 2) High sensitivity: *a single ion*,  $\sigma_m \approx (3\sim 5) \times q \text{ (keV)}$
- 3) High efficiency: *tens of ions in a single run*
- 4) High precision: *on par with PTMS for short-lived nuclei*
- 5) Zero background: *background-free measurements*



# 2. $B\rho$ -defined isochronous mass spectrometry IMS



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Letter

## $B\rho$ -defined isochronous mass spectrometry: An approach for high-precision mass measurements of short-lived nuclei

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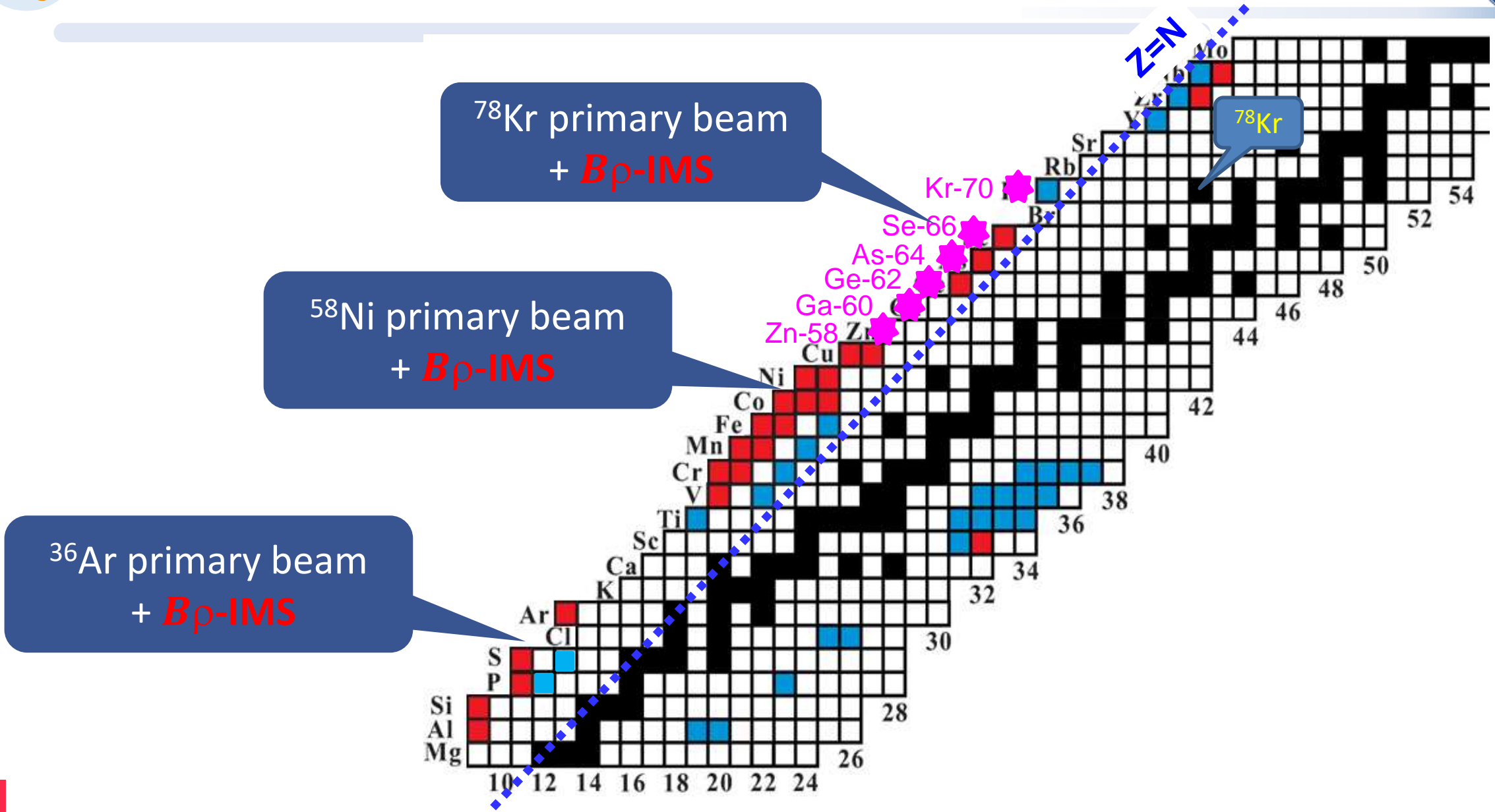
Regular Article - Experimental Physics

## $B\rho$ -defined isochronous mass spectrometry and mass measurements of $^{58}\text{Ni}$ fragments

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# 3. New masses from $B\rho$ -IMS and its impacts on NS & NuCA





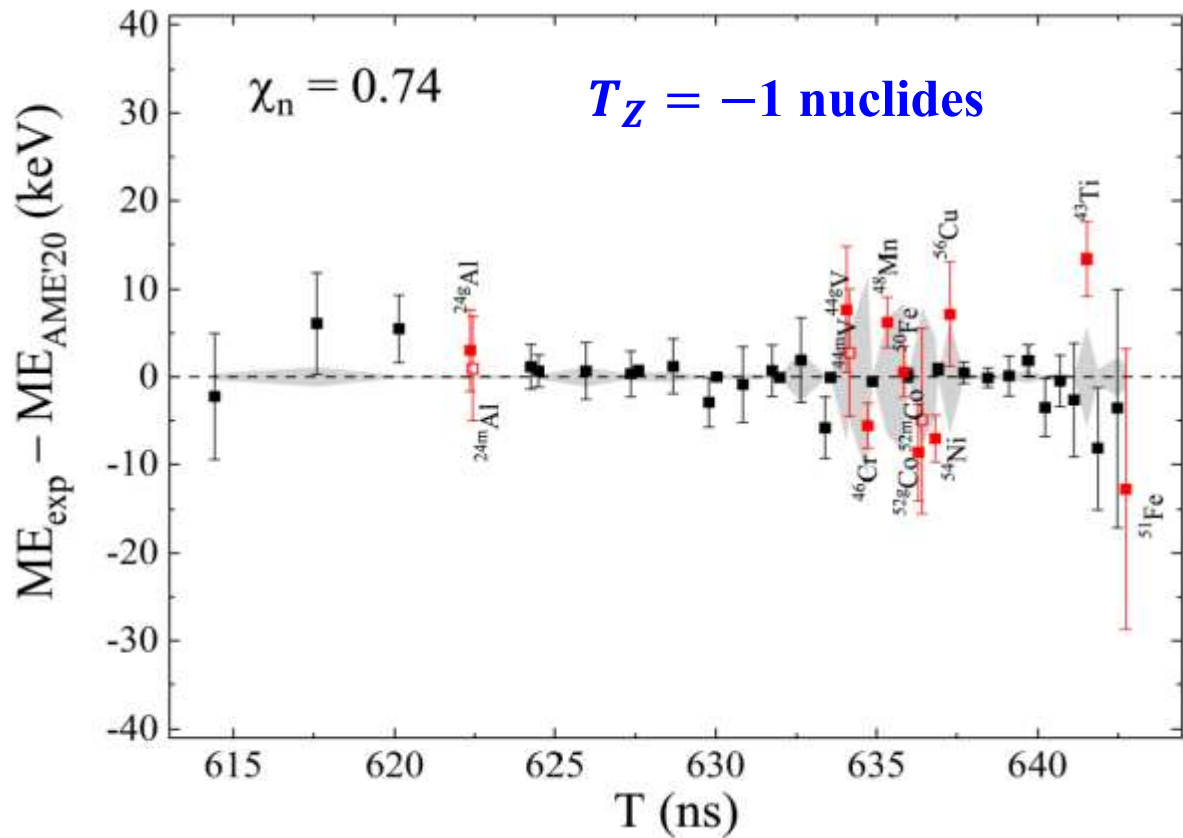


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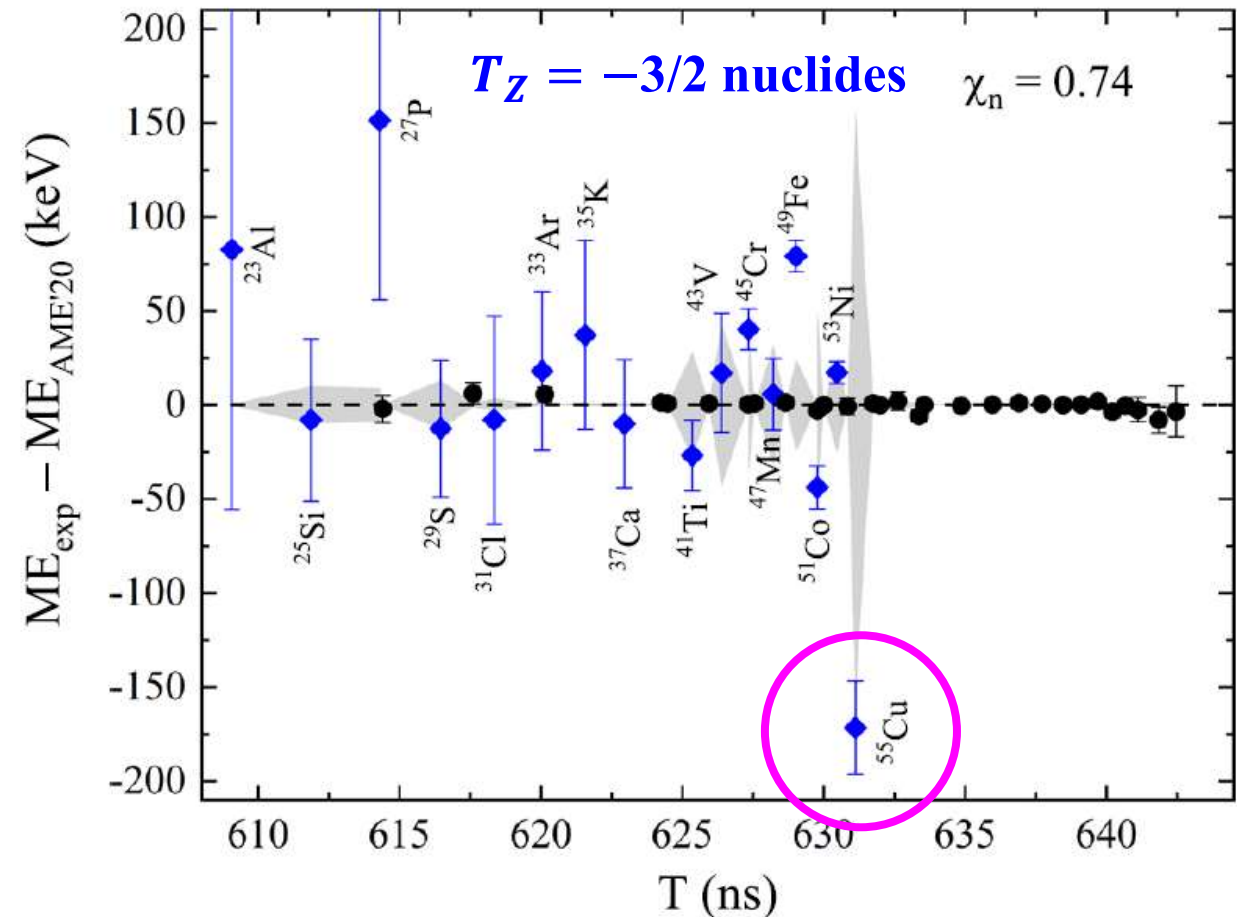


## $^{58}\text{Ni}$ beam

M. Wang et al., PRC 106, L051301(2022)



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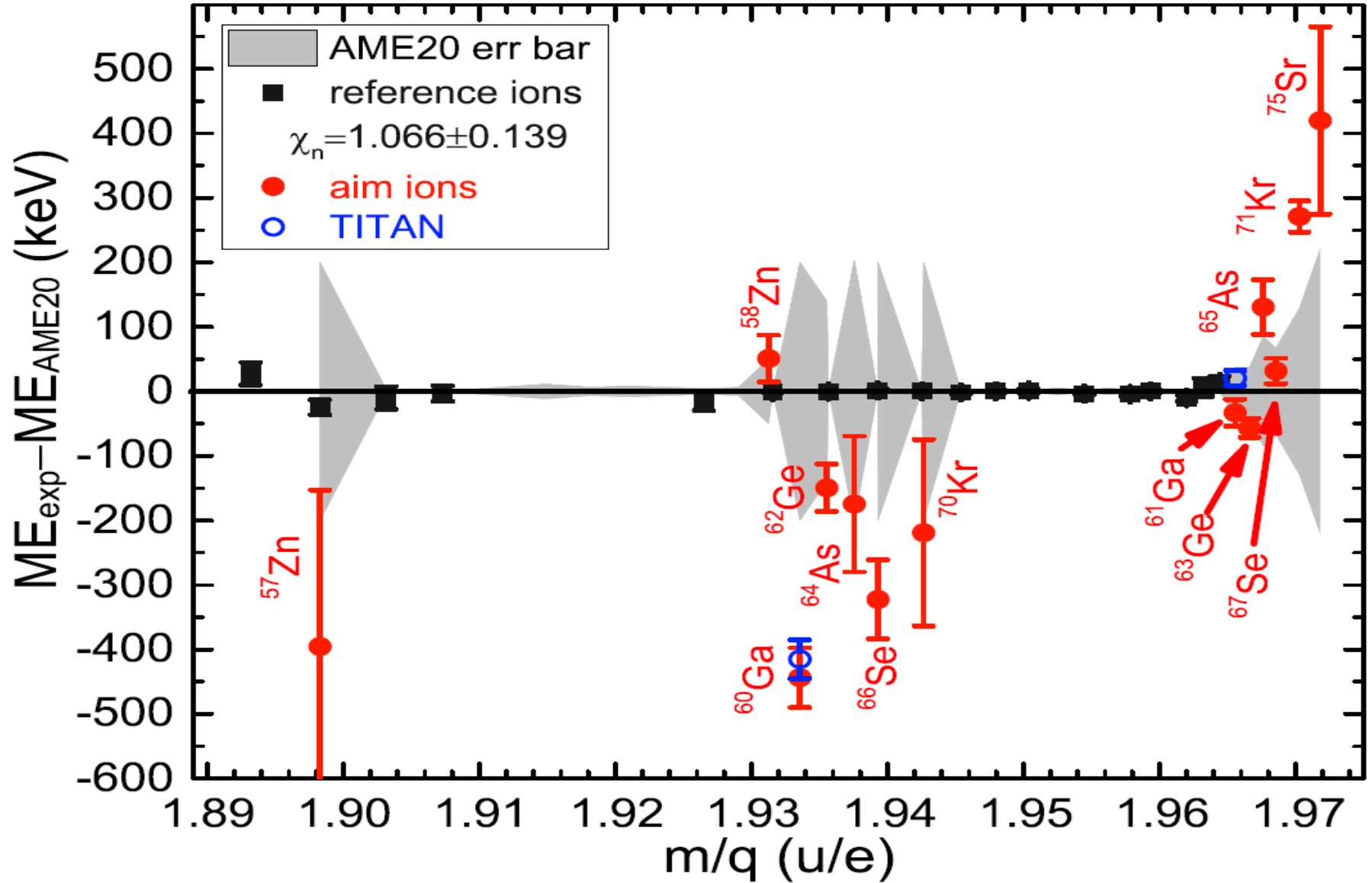




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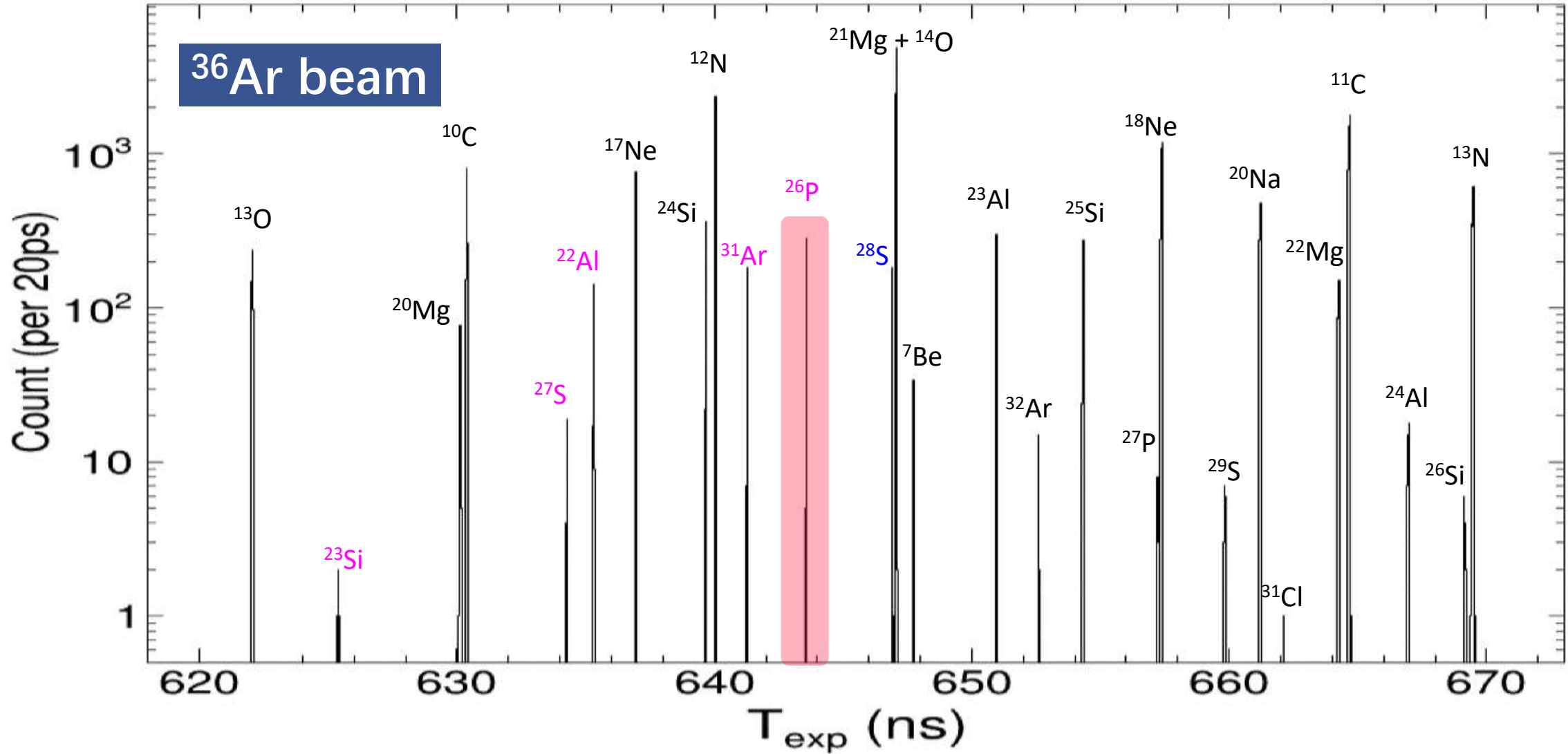


**$^{78}\text{Kr}$  beam**





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## $^{36}\text{Ar}$ beam

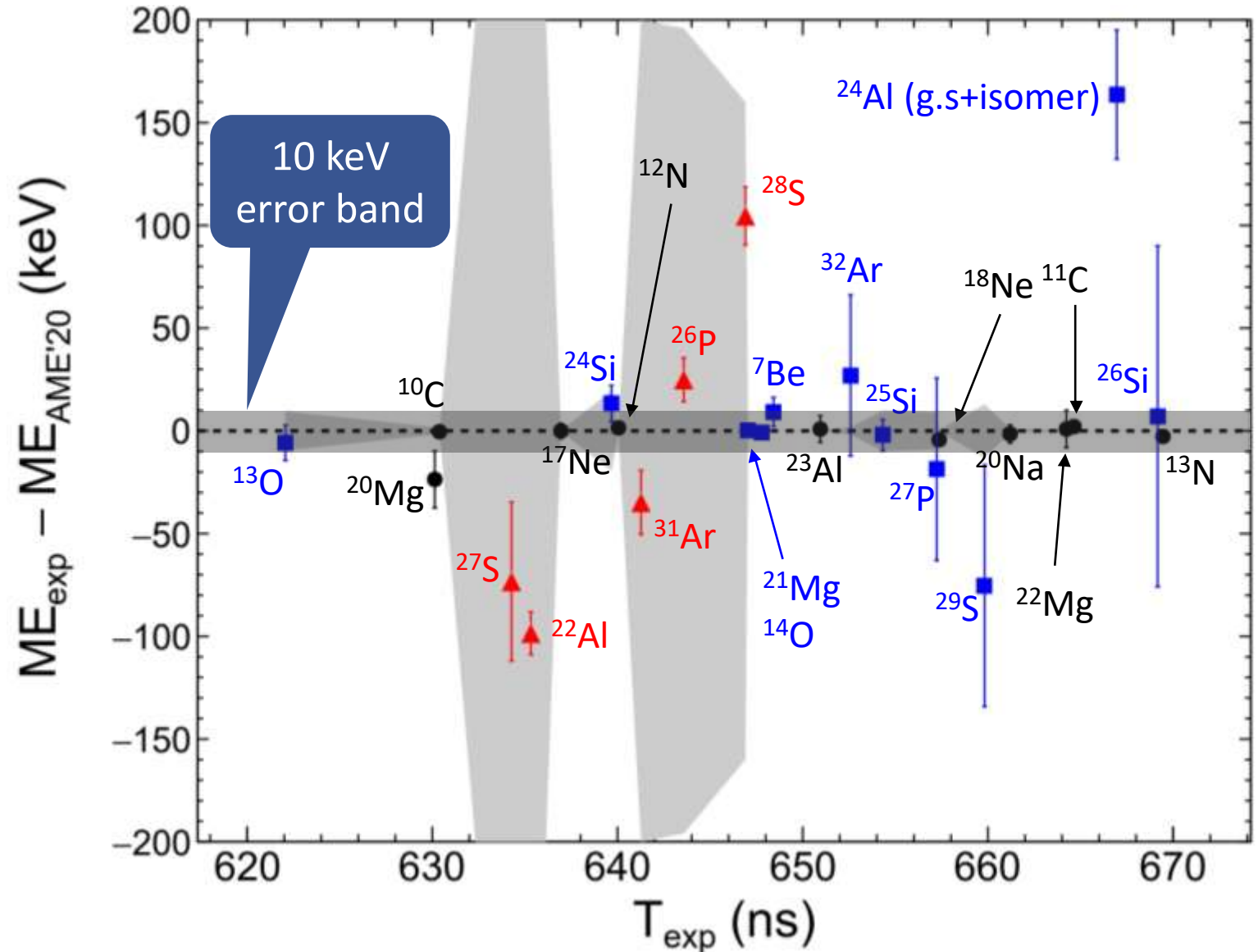
$$\chi_n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\bar{M}_{\text{exp}} - M_{\text{ame}})_i^2}{(\sigma_{\text{stat}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{fit}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{ame}}^2)_i}}$$

$$\chi_n = 0.69 \pm 0.22$$

Black: reference nuclei used in calibration

Blue: re-determined masses for checking the reliability of our measurement

Red: New masses





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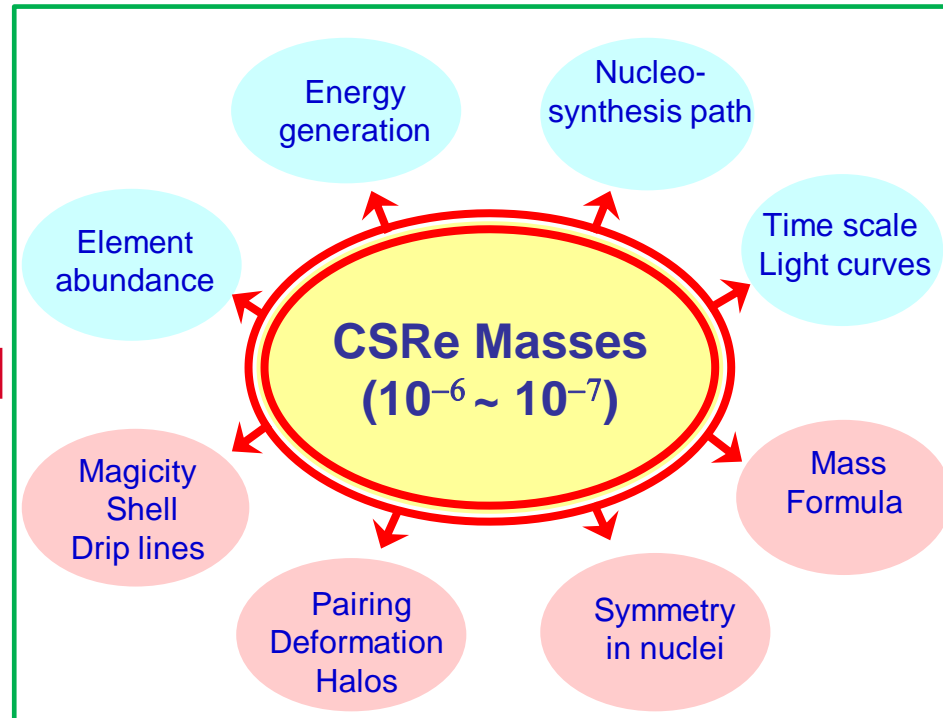


## Nuclear Astrophysics

- **Waiting point  $^{64}\text{Ge}$**   
PRL 106, 112501 (2011)  
ApJ 818, 78 (2016)  
Nature Physics, Vol. 19,  
1091-1097 (2023)
- **Ca-Sc cycle**  
ApJLett. 766, L8 (2013)  
PRC 98 (2018) 014319
- **$^{42}\text{Ti}(p,\gamma)^{43}\text{V}$  reaction rate**  
PRC 89, 035802 (2014)
- **Zr-Nb cycle and  $^{84}\text{Sr}$  abundance**  
PLB 781, 358 (2018)

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## One mass $\rightarrow$ several issues



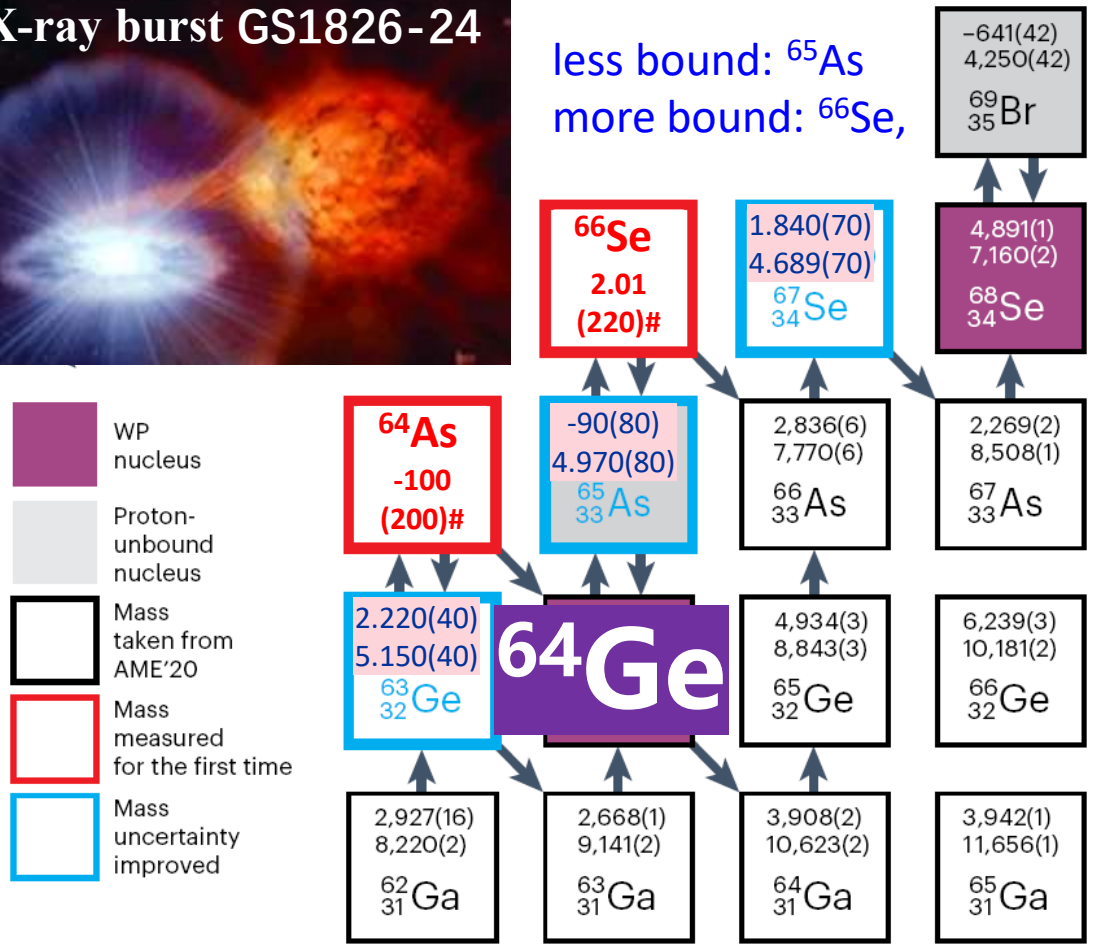
## Nuclear structure

- **IAS and IMME**  
PRL 109, 102501 (2012)  
PRL 117, 182503 (2016)  
PRC 98, 014319 (2018)  
PRC 102, 054311 (2020)  
PRC 108, 034301 (2023)  
EPJ A 59 (2023)
- **Isospin non-conserving force**  
PLB 735, 327 (2014)
- **Magic number and tensor force**  
CPC 39, 104001 (2015)  
PRC 99, 064303 (2019)  
PRC 100, 051303(R) (2019)
- **CVC test**  
PLB 767, 20 (2017)
- **sd-shell nuclear radius**  
PRC 98, 014319 (2018)
- **np residual interaction & 3NF**  
PRL 130, 192501 (2023)

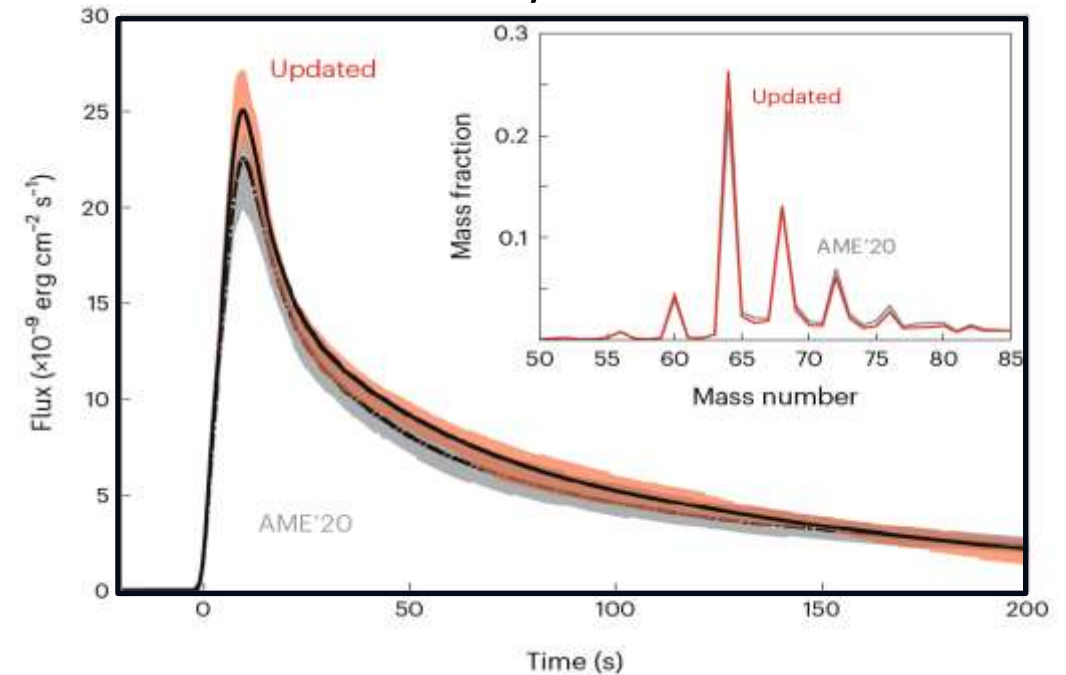
All Q-values of (p, $\gamma$ ) reaction around  $^{64}\text{Ge}$  obtained



less bound:  $^{65}\text{As}$   
more bound:  $^{66}\text{Se}$ ,

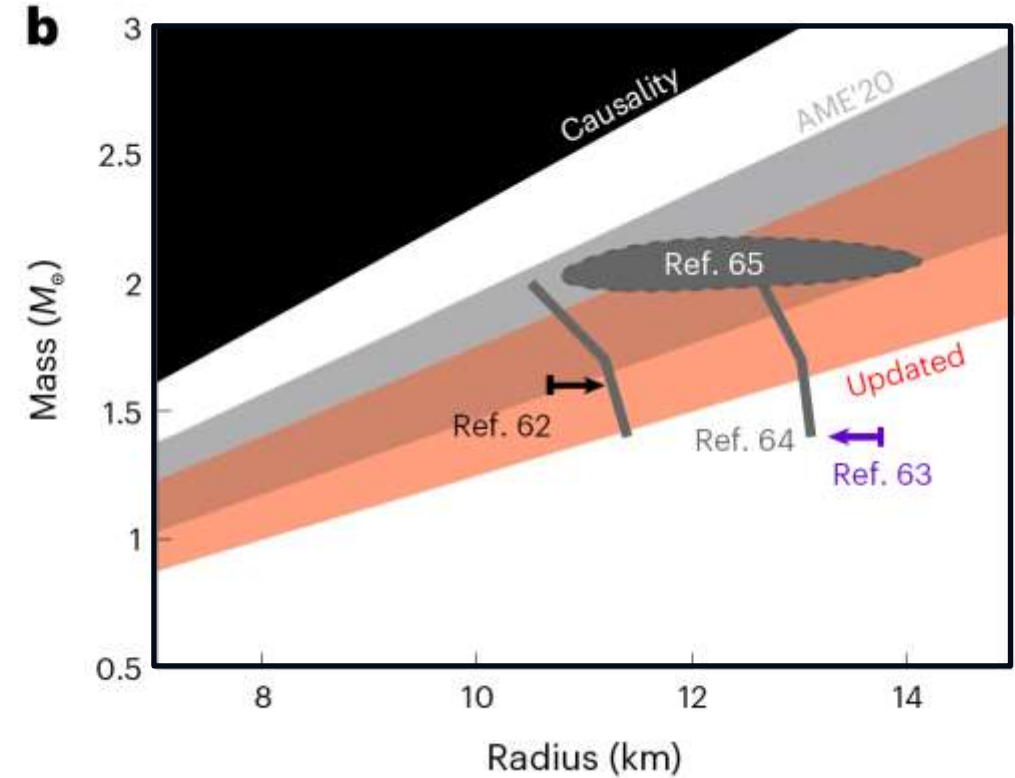
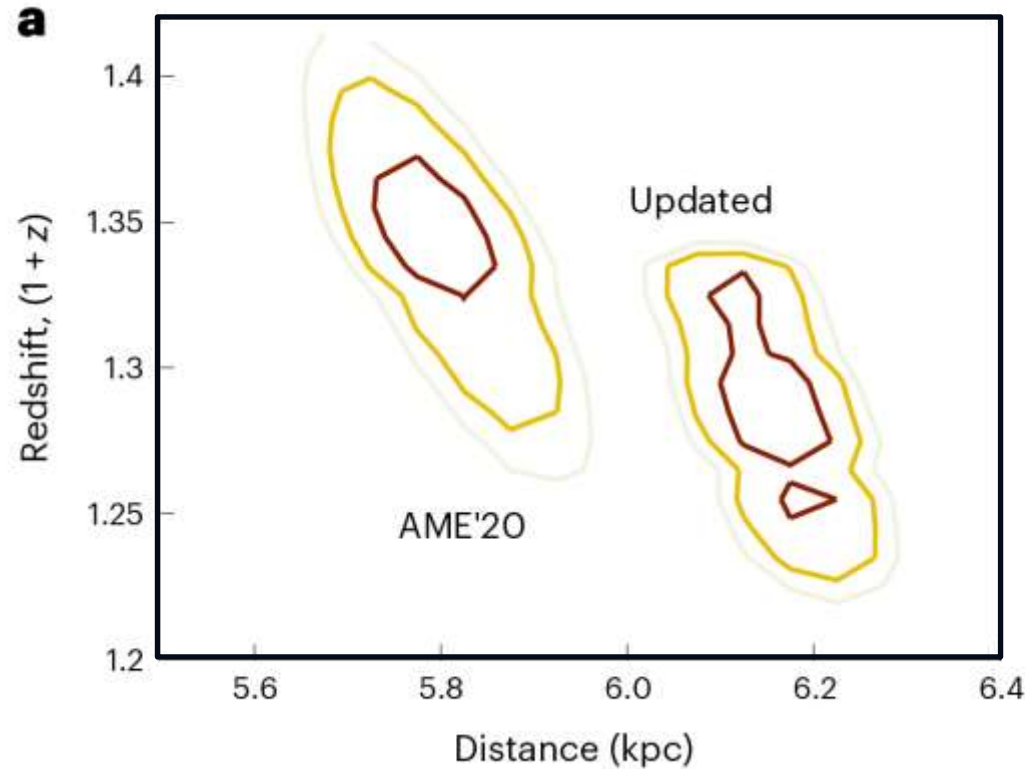


Multizone X-ray burst simulations



- peak luminosity (flux) increased
- A=64 mass fraction increased by 17%
- A=65 mass fraction decreased by 14%

New light curve enables us to set new constraints on the optimal  $d$  and  $(1+z)$  parameters



- the neutron star in GS1826-24 is 6.5% farther away (0.4 kpc=1300 ly) from us !
- reduced  $1+z$  value indicates weaker gravitation than believed !

- mass and radius are constrained



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## Mass measurements show slowdown of rapid proton capture process at waiting-point nucleus $^{64}\text{Ge}$

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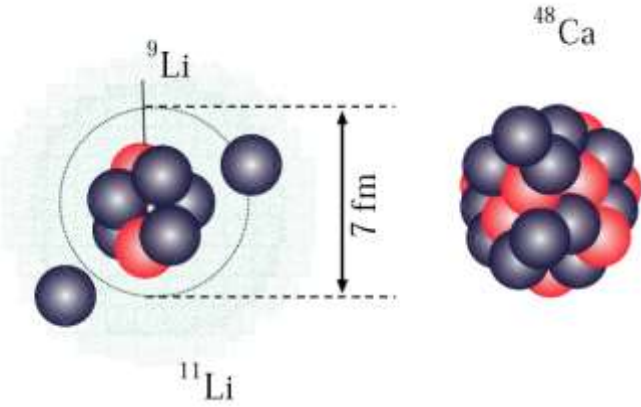


# Proton-halo structures in sd-shell nuclei



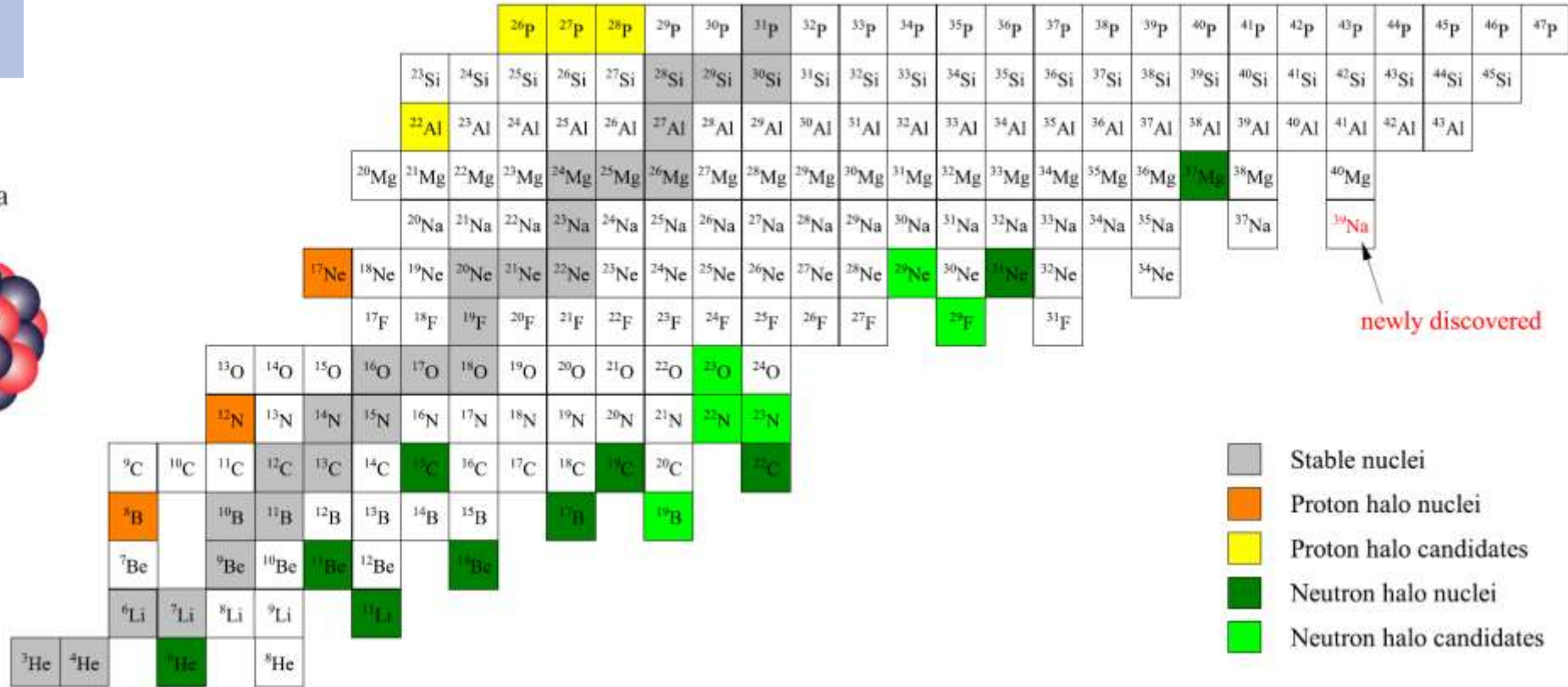
Discovered  
by Tanihata in 1985

Halo nuclei

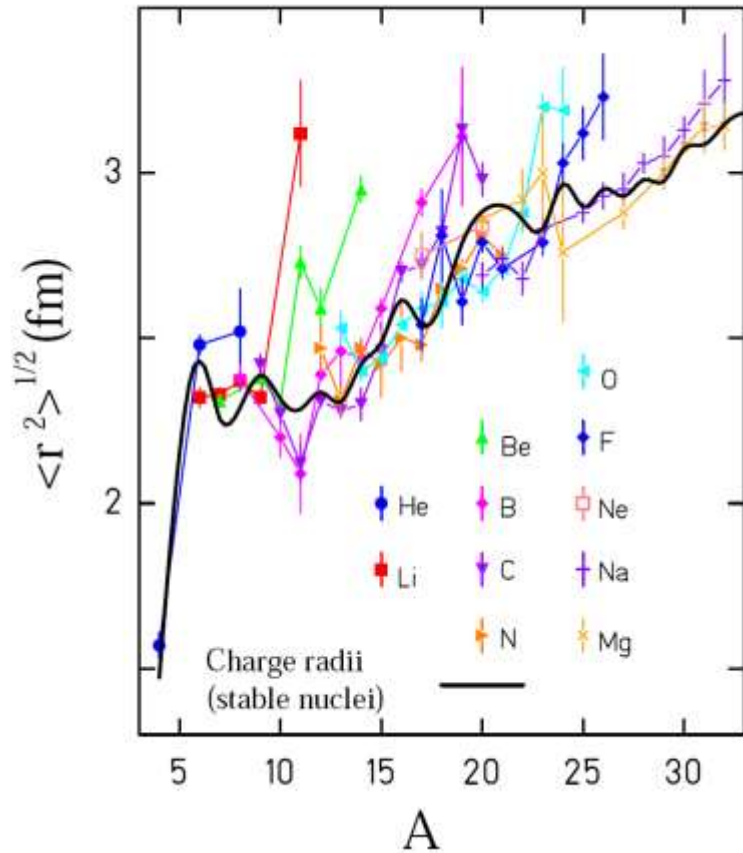


$$R \approx r_0 A^{1/3}$$

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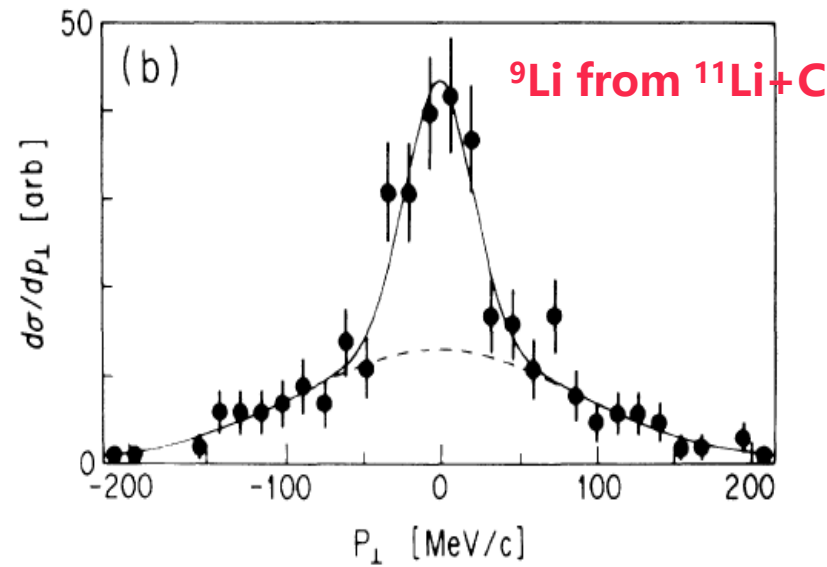


## Matter radii



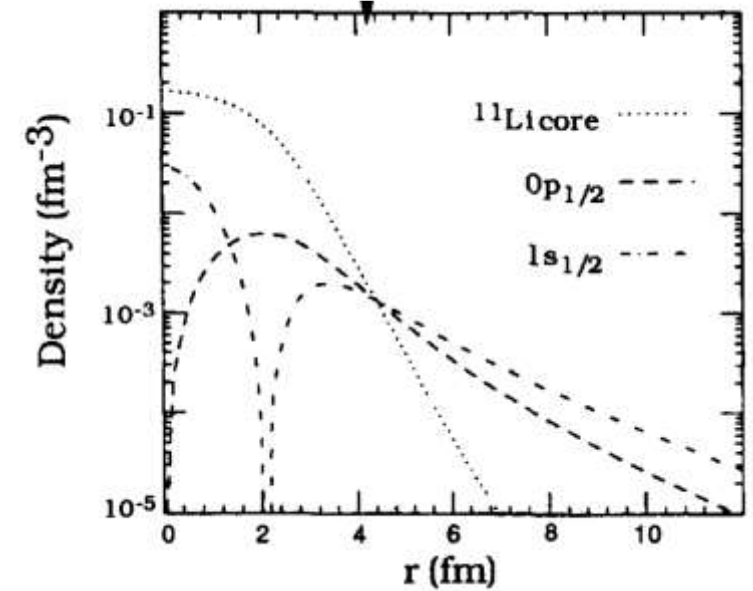
## momentum distribution

T. Kobayashi et al., PRL 60 (1988) 2599



## Density distribution

B. Jonson,  
Nuclear Physics A574 (1994) 151c-166



It is treated as confirmed by observations of  
(1) enhancement of the cross section, and  
(2) narrow momentum distribution

New indicator of proton-halo structures from mirror energy differences (MEDs)

$$MED_1 = S_n(n - rich) - S_p(p - rich)$$

$$MED_2 = S_{2n}(n - rich) - S_{2p}(p - rich)$$

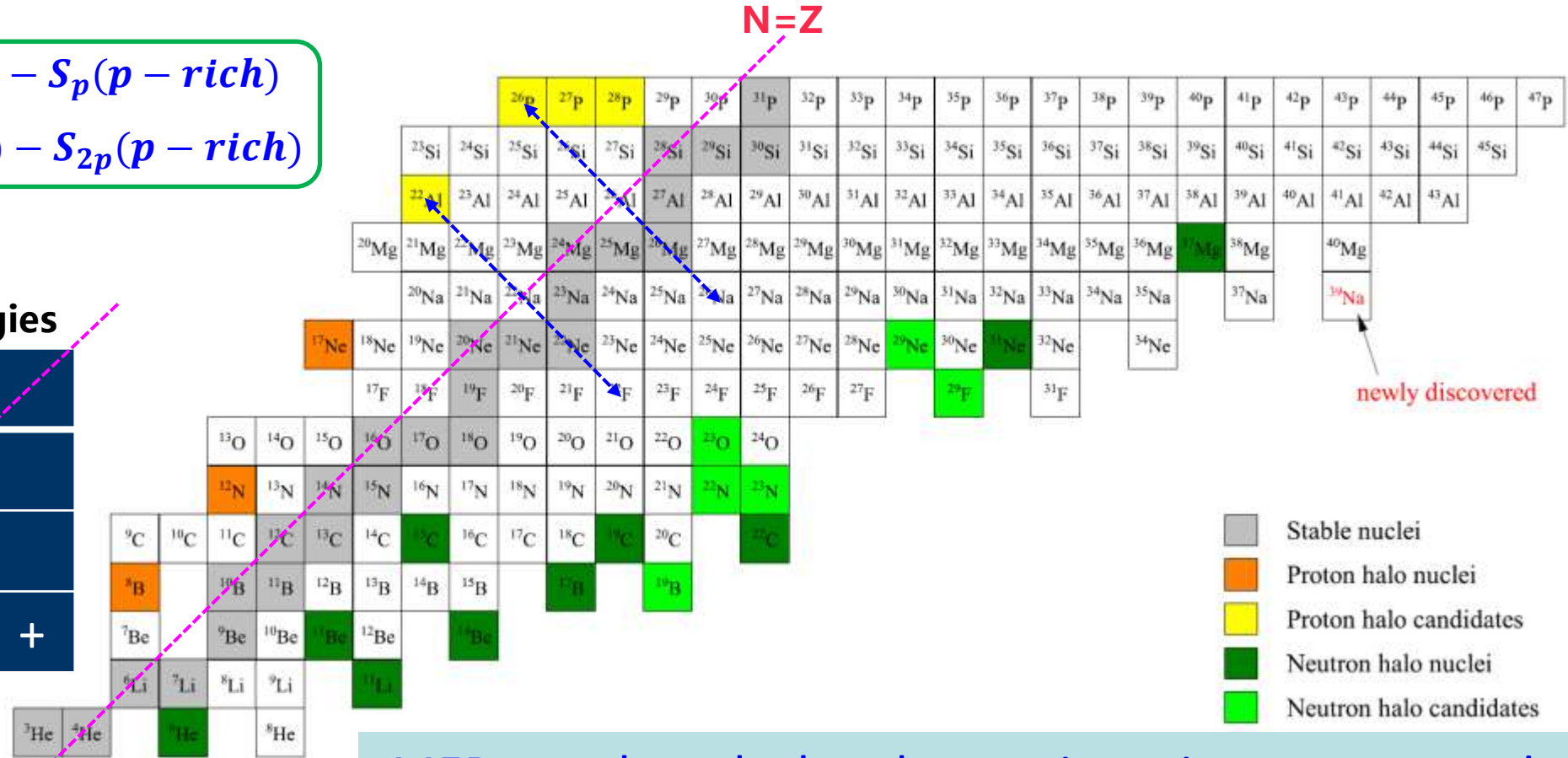


Binding energies

odd-Z

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+			
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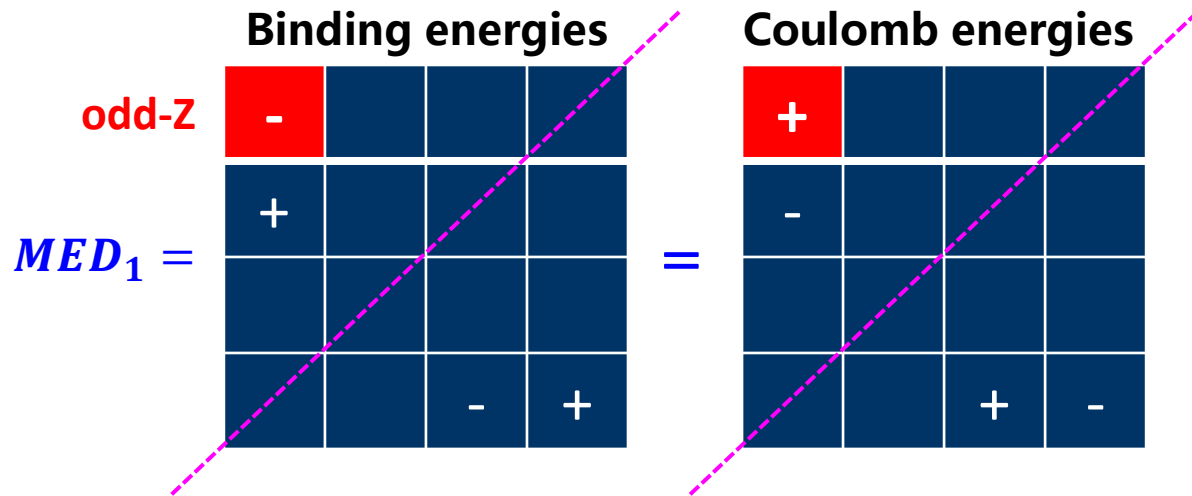
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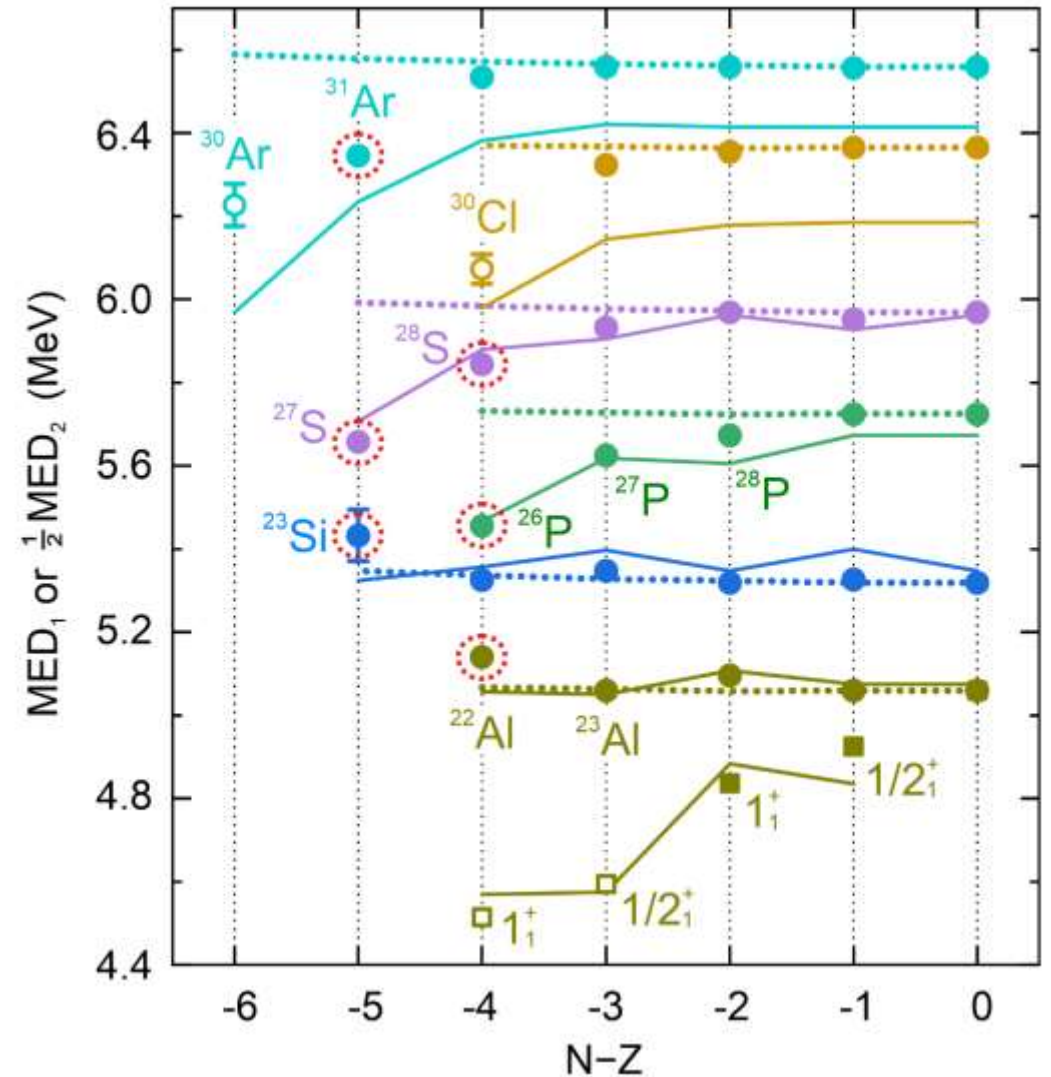
MEDs can be calculated assuming mirror symmetry !

J. Jänecke, Phys. Rev. 147, 735 (1966)

$$M(A, T, T_z) = M_0(A, T) + E_c(A, T, T_z) + T_z \Delta m_{n-H}$$

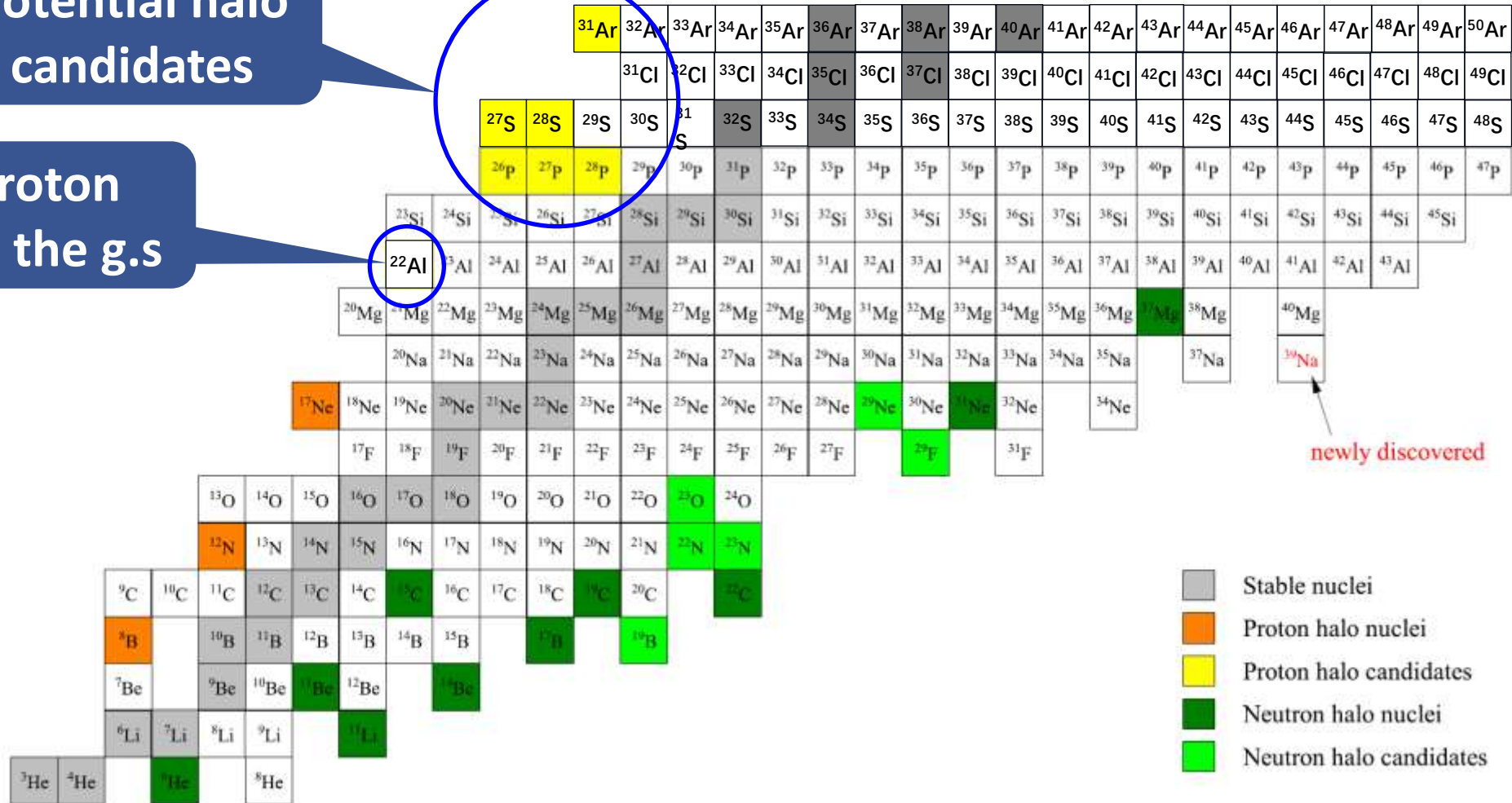


$$E_c = \left\{ 0.6Z^2 - 0.46Z^{4/3} - 0.15[1 - (-1)^Z] \right\} \frac{e^2}{R_{eq}}$$



Potential halo candidates

No proton halo in the g.s





## Nuclear structure of dripline nuclei elucidated through precision mass measurements of $^{23}\text{Si}$ , $^{26}\text{P}$ , $^{27,28}\text{S}$ , and $^{31}\text{Ar}$

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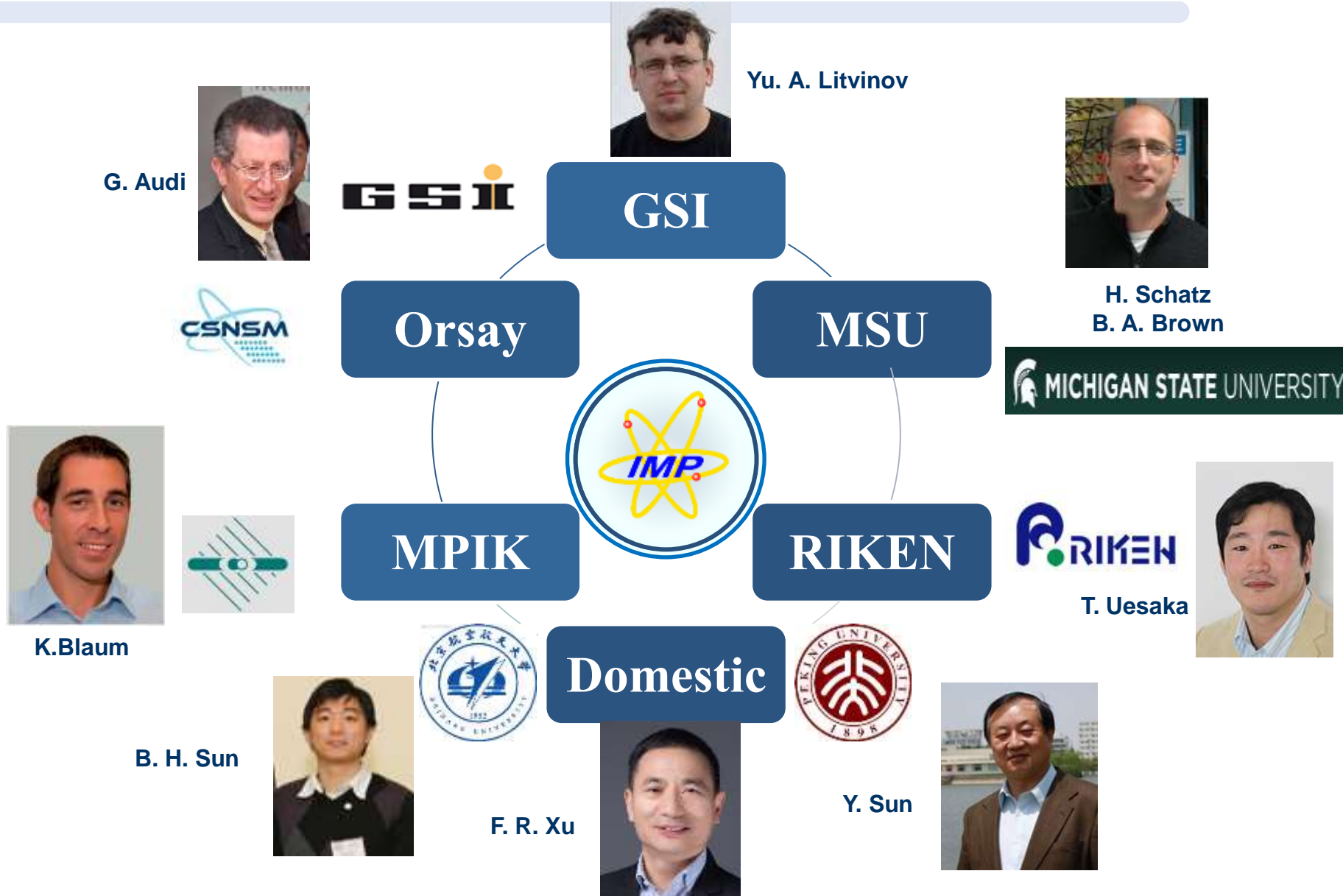
## 4. Summary and perspectives



1. *B $\rho$* -defined IMS has been established in CSRe which shows several advantages in mass measurement of short-lived nuclei.
2. Masses of  $^{78}\text{Kr}$ ,  $^{58}\text{Ni}$ ,  $^{36}\text{Ar}$  fragments have been measured, enabling to address several issues in nuclear structure and nuclear astrophysics.
3. *B $\rho$* -defined IMS will be installed in the SRing of HIAF facility and the masses of heavy and n-rich exotic nuclei will be addressed in future.
4. We need close collaborations both in experiment and in theory



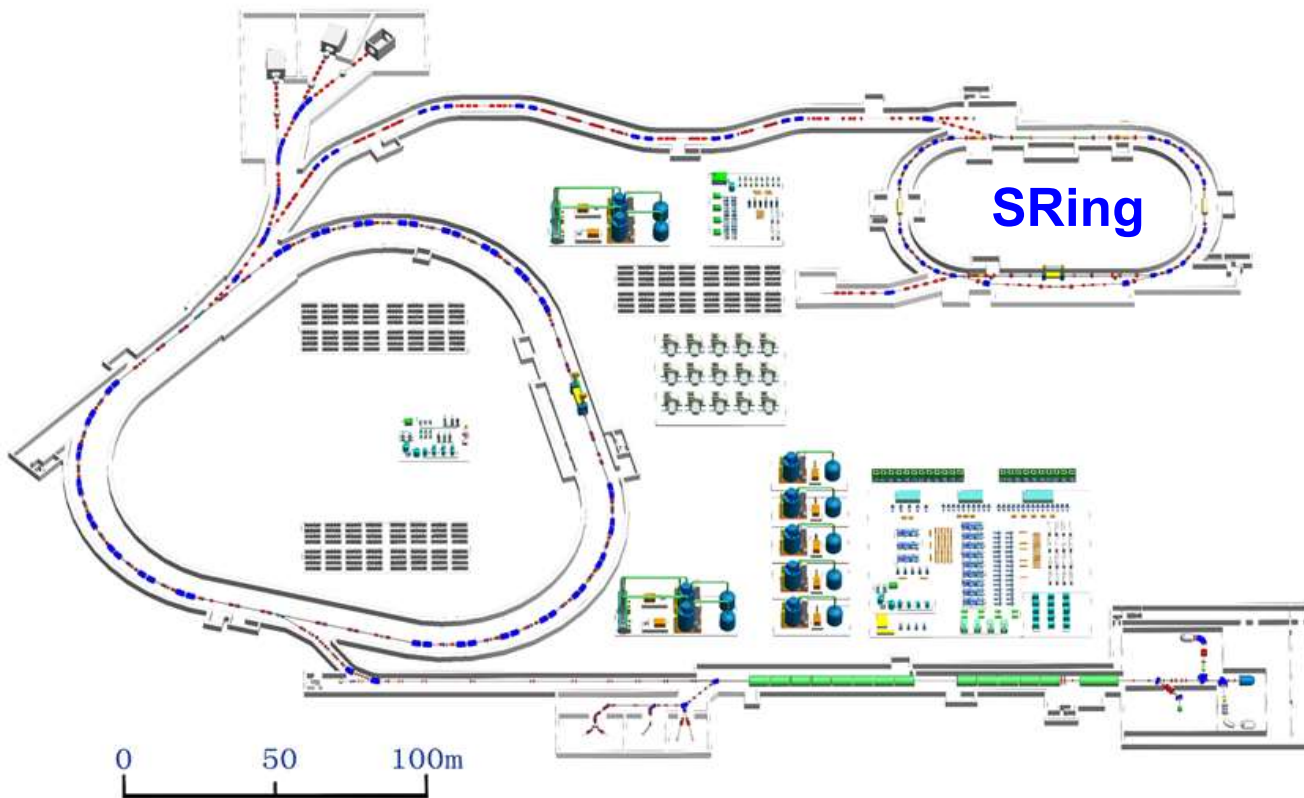
# CSRe mass measurement collaboration





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## High Intensity Accelerator Facility (HIAF)



Plan to be commissioned at the end of 2026

**HIAF is one of the major national science and technology infrastructure under construction with the support of both central and local governments**



**The project is proposed and constructed by IMP, CAS**

**The total budget is 3.0 billion CNY**

**The construction of project started at the end 2018, and the period is 7 years**



**Let's cross the bridge and collaborate !**

**Many thanks for your attention**