

# Laser Resonance Ionisation for Isotope Separator Facilities



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# Overview

- Introduction to ISOLDE and the motivation for a Resonance Ionisation Laser Ion Source (RILIS)
- Atomic physics fundamentals relevant to achieving resonance ionisation
- Considerations for the implementation of a laser ion source
- The ISOLDE RILIS
- The RILIS as part of the array of ISOLDE Experiments

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18

Pnictogens Chalcogens Halogens

1	H Hydrogen -1 1	2 He Helium																			
1			s block																		
2	3 Li Lithium 1	4 Be Beryllium 2		p block																	
3	11 Na Sodium 1	12 Mg Magnesium 2		d block																	
4	19 K Potassium 1	20 Ca Calcium 2	21 Sc Scandium 3	22 Ti Titanium 4	23 V Vanadium 5	24 Cr Chromium 3 6	25 Mn Manganese 2 4 7	26 Fe Iron 2 3	27 Co Cobalt 2 3	28 Ni Nickel 2	29 Cu Copper 2	30 Zn Zinc 2	31 Ga Gallium 3	32 Ge Germanium -4 2 4	33 As Arsenic -3 3 5	34 Se Selenium -2 2 4 6	35 Br Bromine -1 1 3 5	36 Kr Krypton 2			
5	37 Rb Rubidium 1	38 Sr Strontium 2	39 Y Yttrium 3	40 Zr Zirconium 4	41 Nb Niobium 5	42 Mo Molybdenum 4 6	43 Tc Technetium 4 7	44 Ru Ruthenium 3 4	45 Rh Rhodium 3	46 Pd Palladium 2 4	47 Ag Silver 1	48 Cd Cadmium 2	49 In Indium 3	50 Sn Tin -4 2 4	51 Sb Antimony -3 3 5	52 Te Tellurium -2 2 4 6	53 I Iodine -1 1 3 5	54 Xe Xenon 2 4 6			
6	55 Cs Caesium 1	56 Ba Barium 2	57-71	72 Hf Hafnium 4	73 Ta Tantalum 5	74 W Tungsten 4 6	75 Re Rhenium 4	76 Os Osmium 4	77 Ir Iridium 3 4	78 Pt Platinum 2 4	79 Au Gold 3	80 Hg Mercury 1 2	81 Tl Thallium 1 3	82 Pb Lead 2 4	83 Bi Bismuth 3	84 Po Polonium -2 2 4	85 At Astatine -1 1	86 Rn Radon 2			
7	87 Fr Francium 1	88 Ra Radium 2		104 Rf Rutherfordium 4	105 Db Dubnium 5	106 Sg Seaborgium 6	107 Bh Bohrium 7	108 Hs Hassium 8	109 Mt Meitnerium 7	110 Ds Darmstadtium 111 Rg Roentgenium 112 Cn Copernicium 113 Nh Nihonium 114 Fl Flerovium 115 Mc Moscovium 116 Lv Livermorium 117 Ts Tennessine 118 Og Oganesson											

Oxidation states are the number of electrons added to or removed from an element when it forms a chemical compound.

6	57 La Lanthanum 3	58 Ce Cerium 3 4	59 Pr Praseodymium 3	60 Nd Neodymium 3	61 Pm Promethium 3	62 Sm Samarium 3	63 Eu Europium 2 3	64 Gd Gadolinium 3	65 Tb Terbium 3	66 Dy Dysprosium 3	67 Ho Holmium 3	68 Er Erbium 3	69 Tm Thulium 3	70 Yb Ytterbium 3	71 Lu Lutetium 3	
7	89 Ac Actinium 3	90 Th Thorium 4	91 Pa Protactinium 5	92 U Uranium 6	93 Np Neptunium 5	94 Pu Plutonium 4	95 Am Americium 3	96 Cm Curium 3	97 Bk Berkelium 3	98 Cf Californium 3	99 Es Einsteinium 3	100 Fm Fermium 3	101 Md Mendelevium 3	102 No Nobelium 2	103 Lr Lawrencium 3	

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Atomic Symbol  
Name Weight

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4 Be Beryllium 12

11 Na Sodium 20  
12 Mg Magnesium 22  
13 Al Aluminium 22

19 K Potassium 24  
20 Ca Calcium 24

37 Rb Rubidium 32  
38 Sr Strontium 33

55 Cs Caesium 40  
56 Ba Barium 40

87 Fr Francium 34  
88 Ra Radium 33

12 B Boron 14  
13 C Carbon 15  
14 Si Silicon 23  
15 P Phosphorus 23  
16 S Sulfur 24  
17 Cl Chlorine 24

18 Ar Argon 24

33 As Arsenic 33  
34 Se Selenium 30  
35 Br Bromine 31  
36 Kr Krypton 32

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**Decay and Stability Legend:**

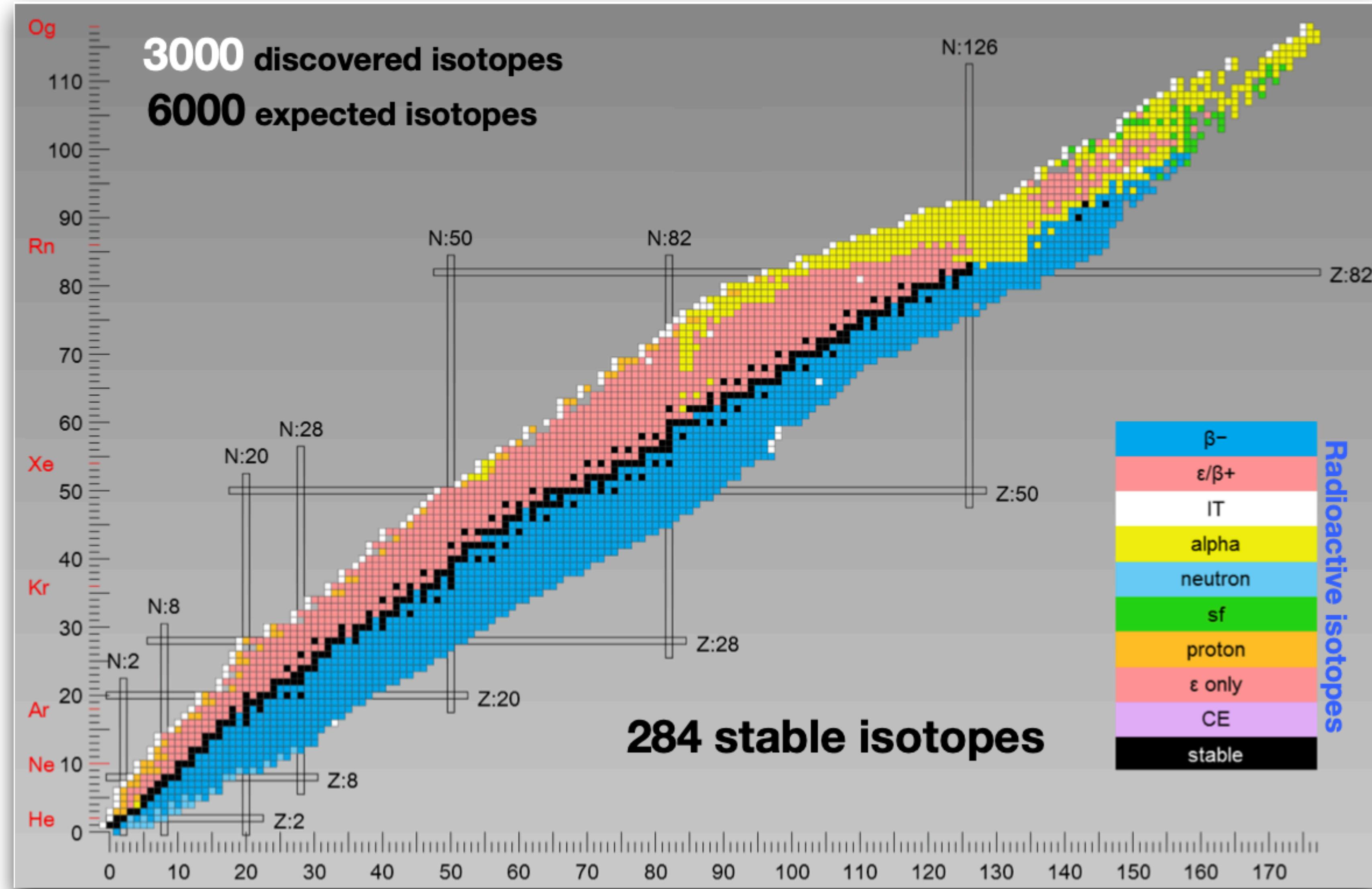
- α** Alpha decay
- β-** Beta decay
- p** Proton emission
- β+** Positron emission
- n** Neutron emission
- ε** Electron capture
- Spontaneous fission**
- Stable**

Numbers in place of weight refer to the total number of known isotopes for each element.

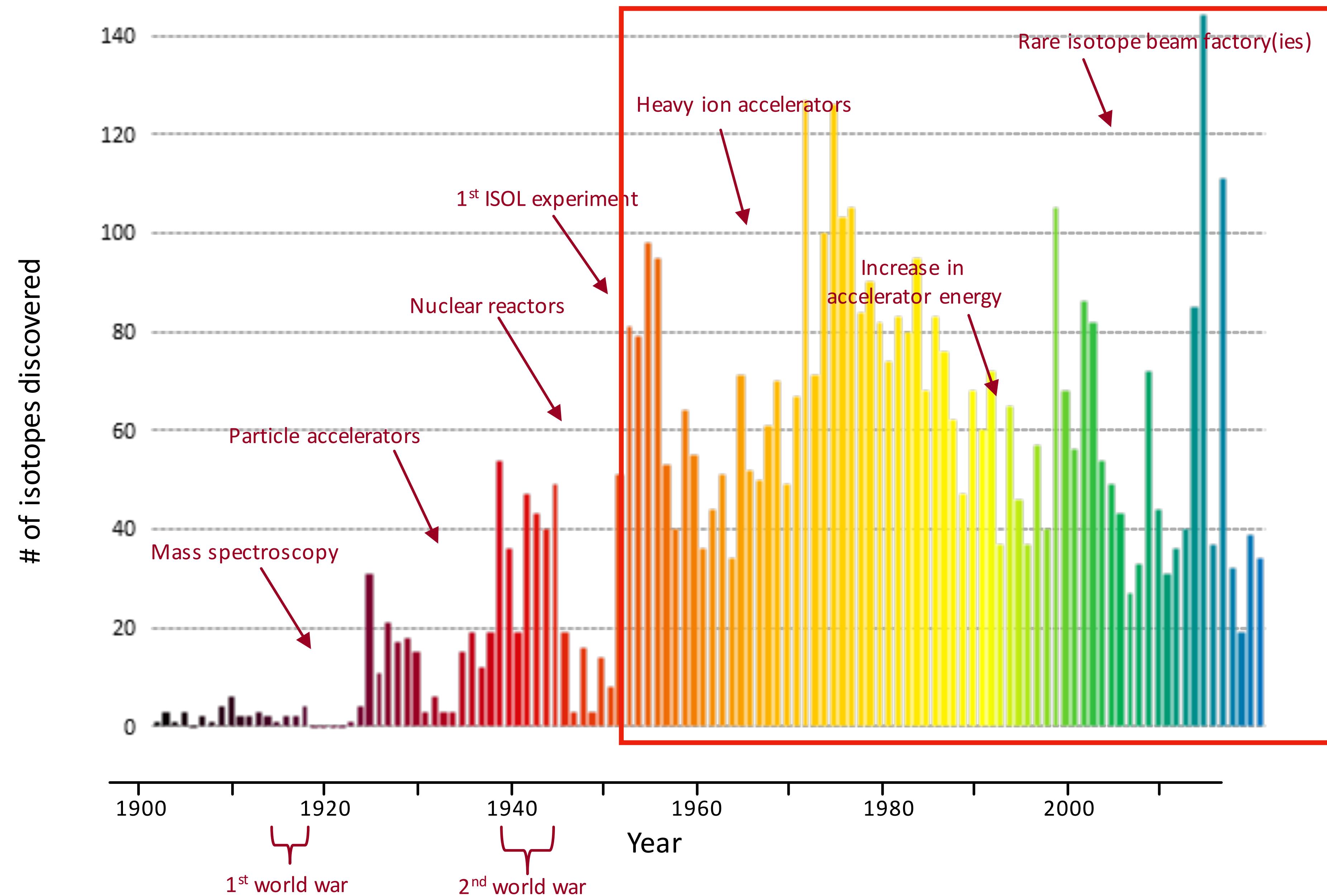
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Protons



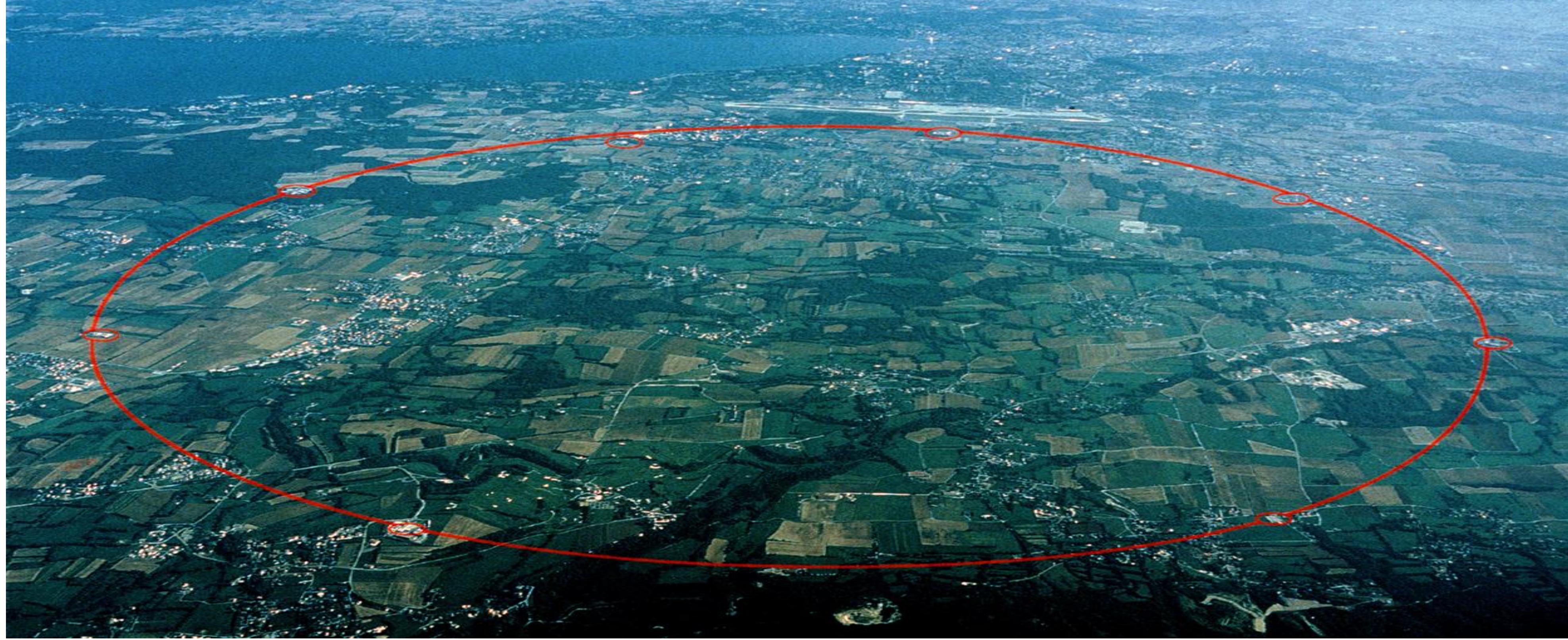
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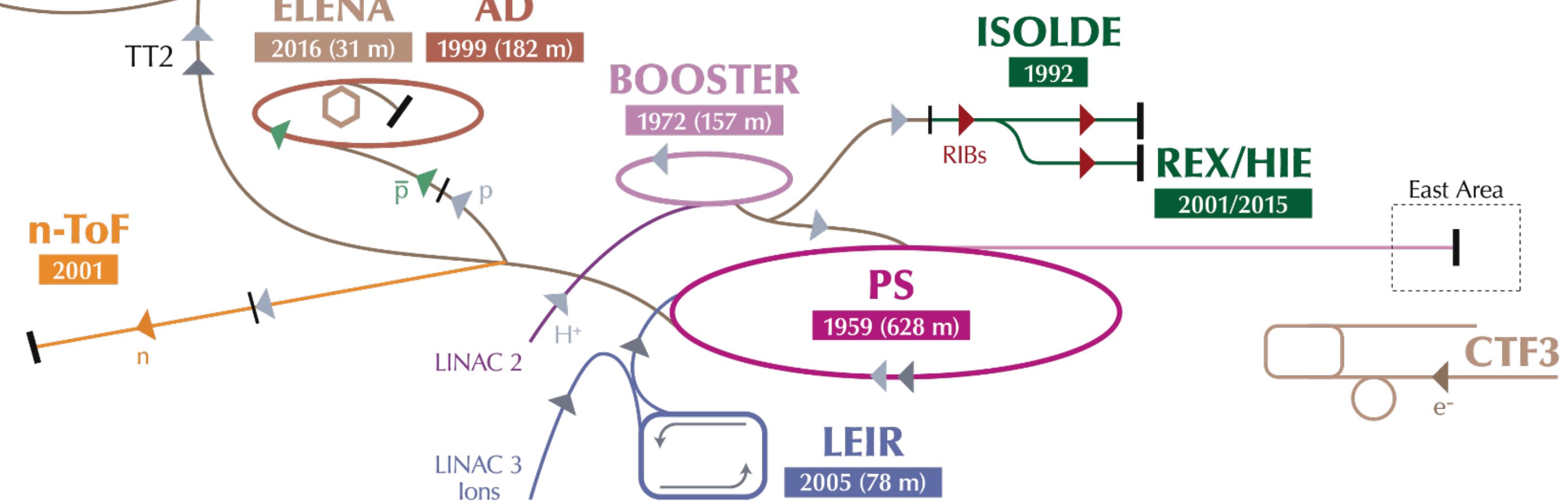
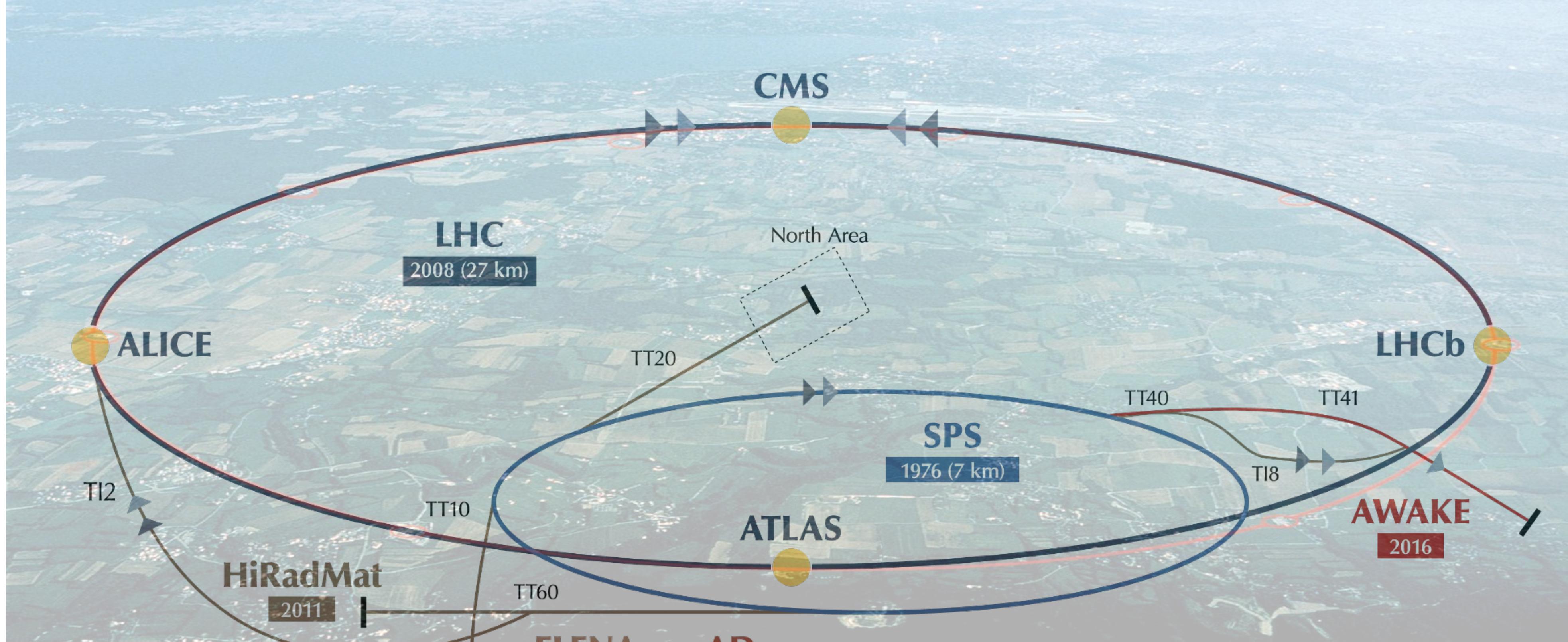


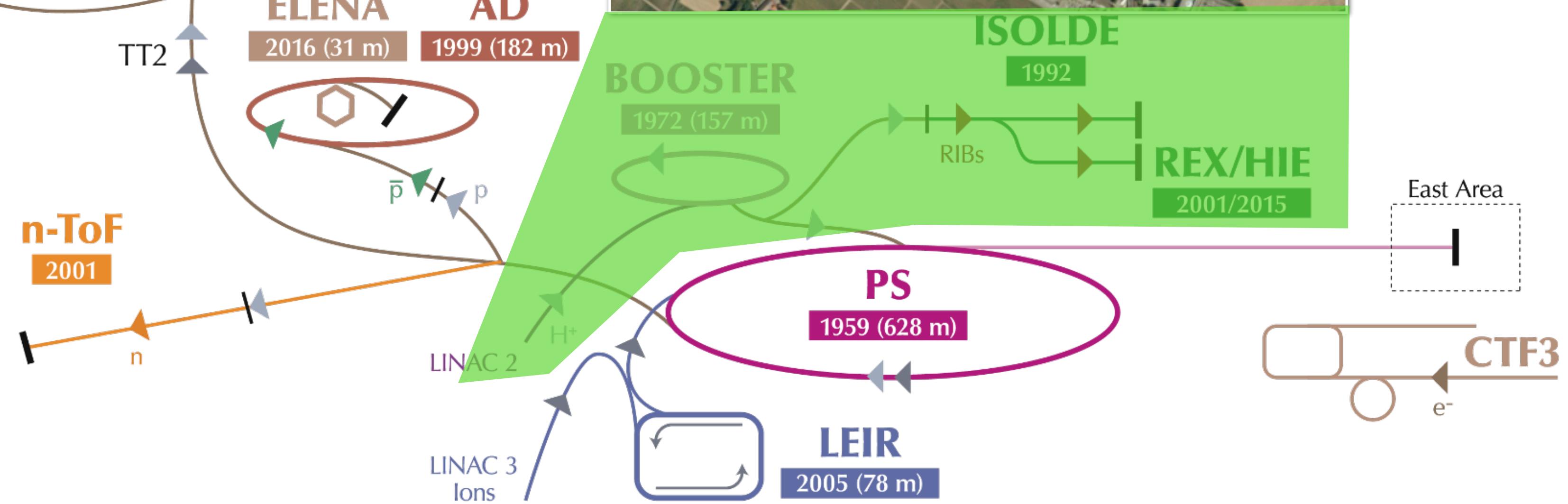
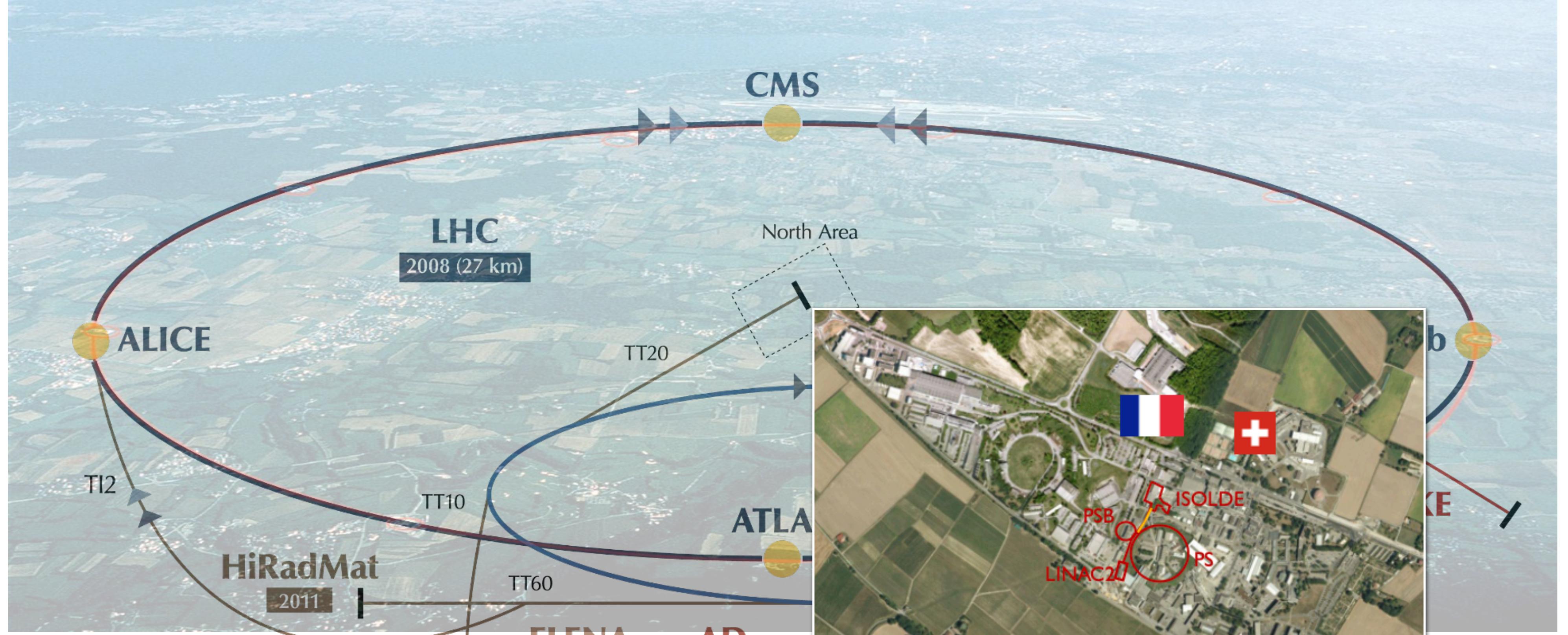
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radioisotope production, selection and  
transport to an experiment in one machine

**T<sub>1/2</sub> > 5 ms**



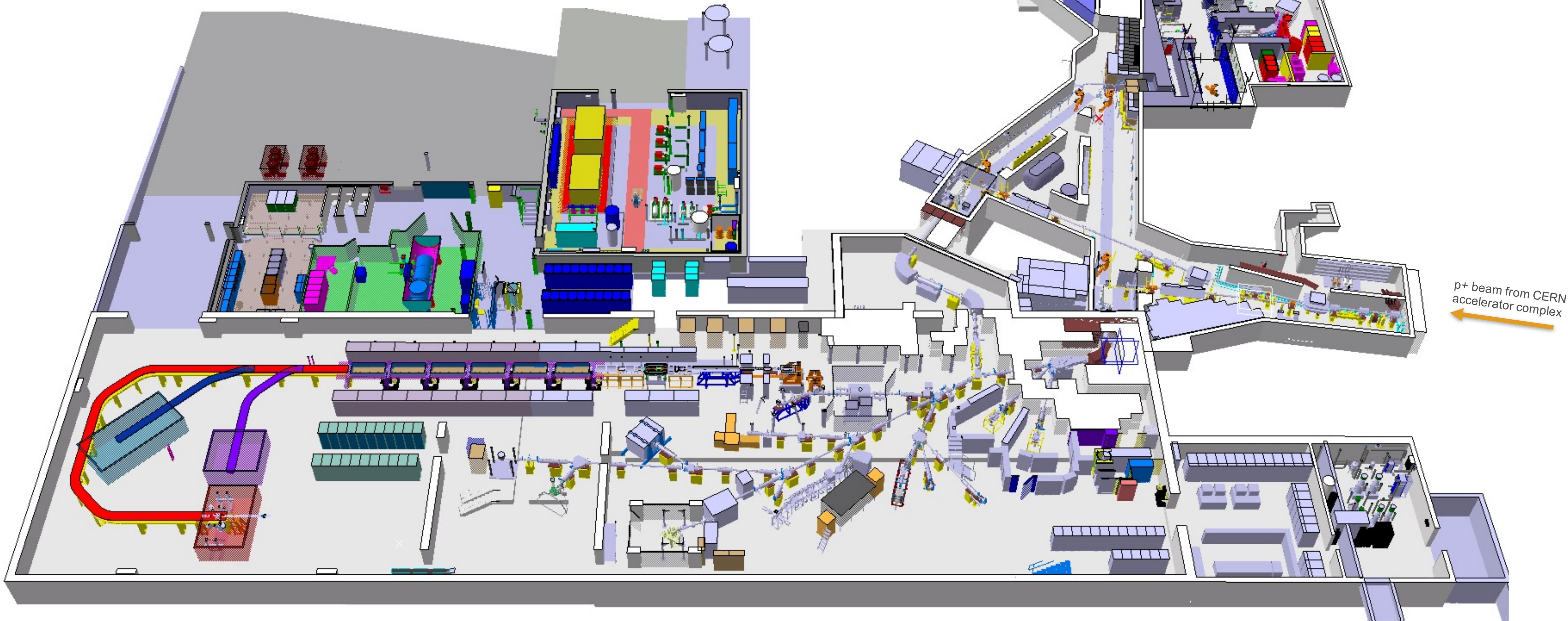




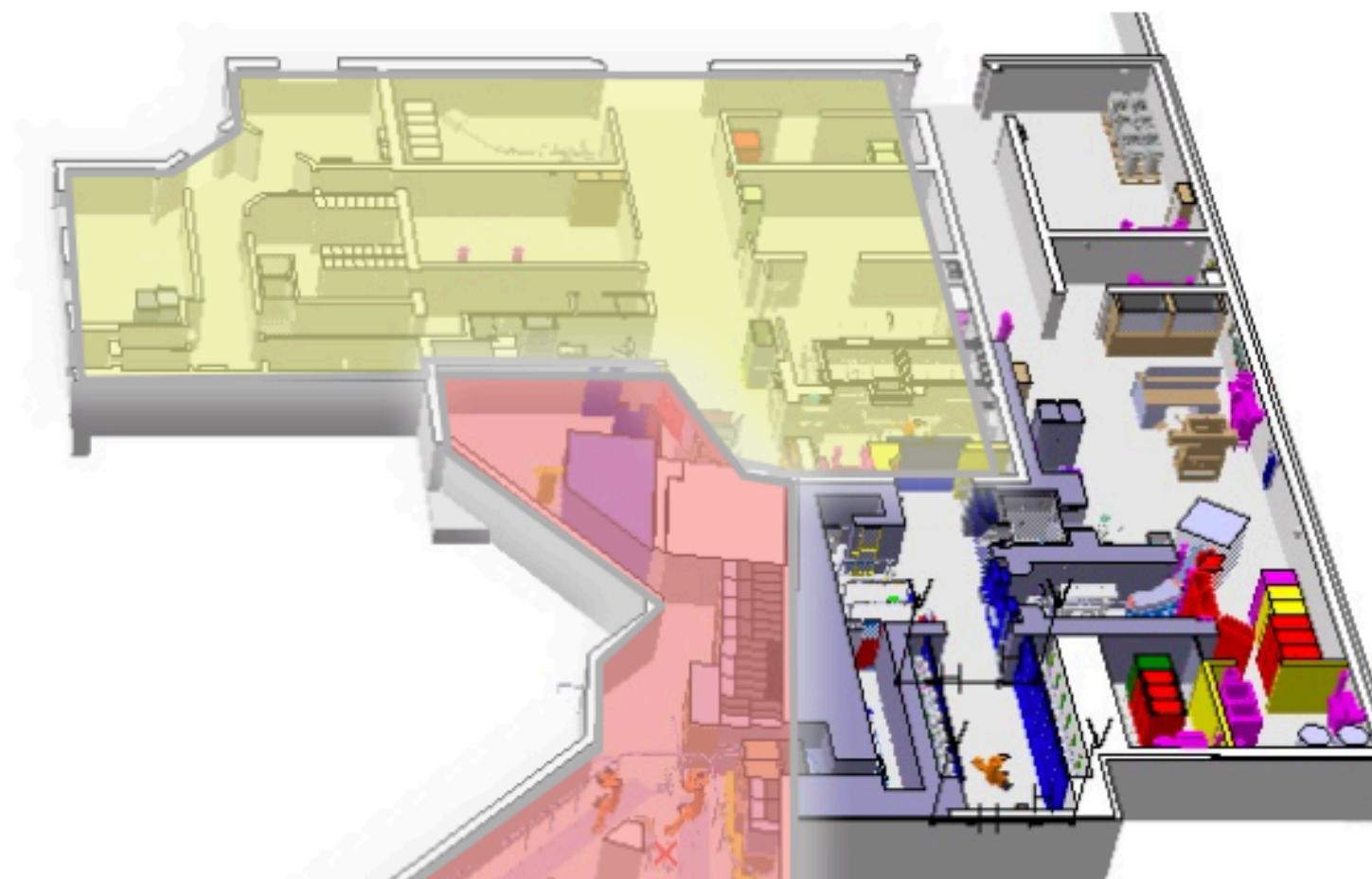
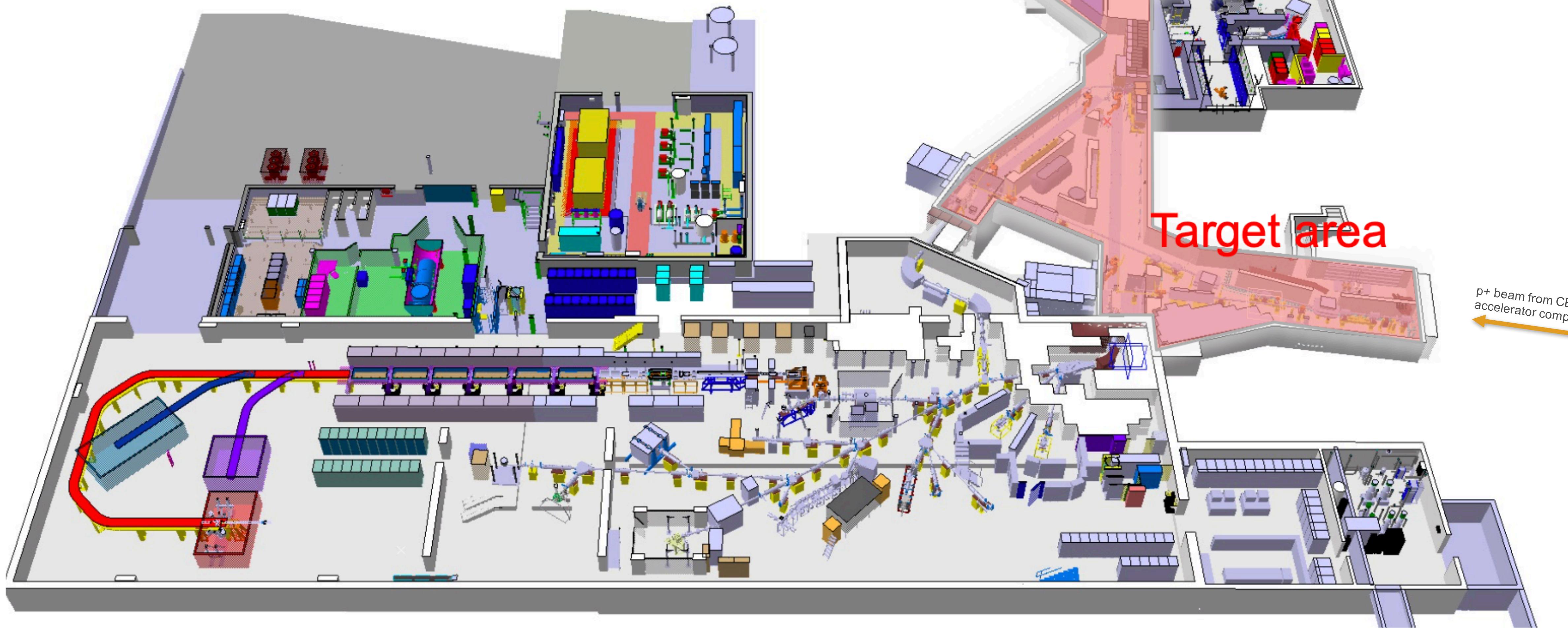
## Focus on Exotic Beams at ISOLDE: A Laboratory Portrait

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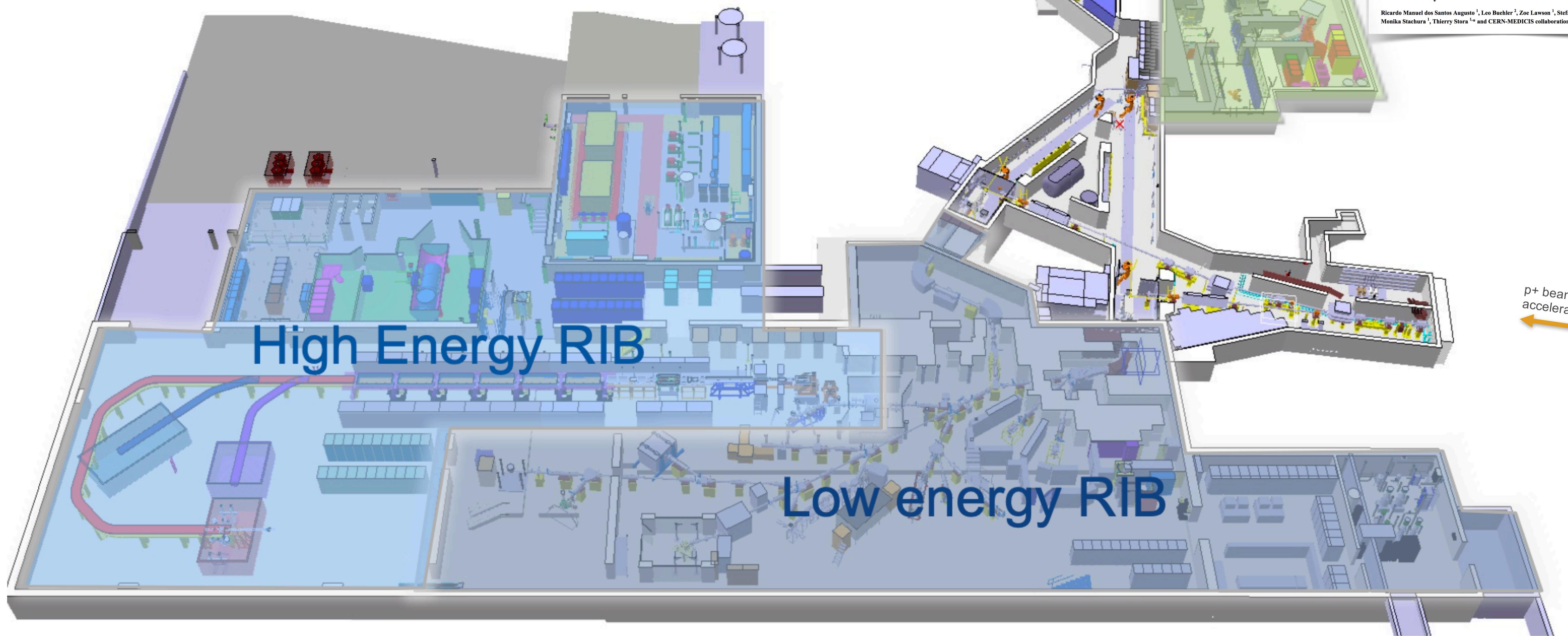


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Target area

$p^+$  beam from CERN  
accelerator complex



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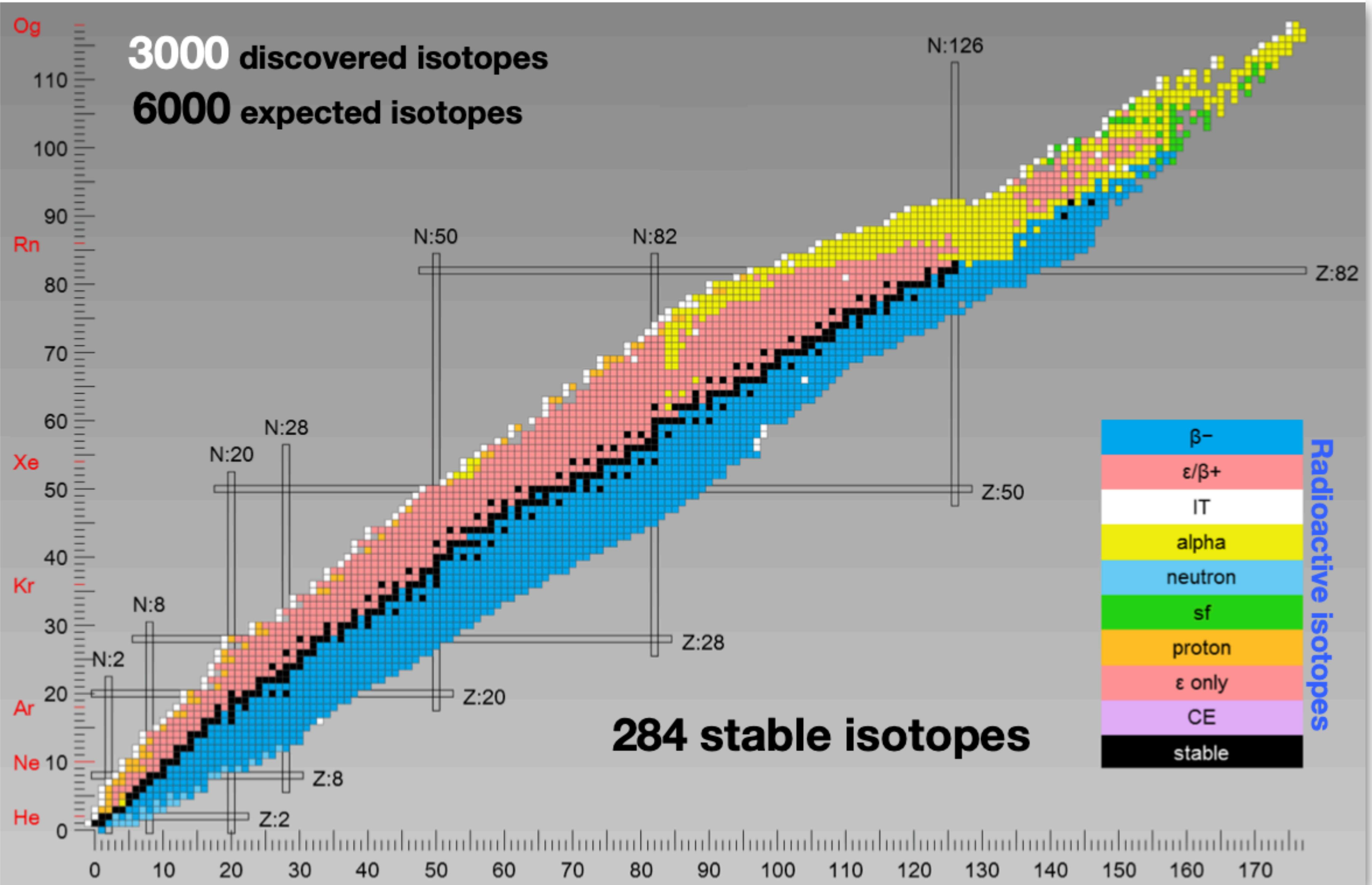
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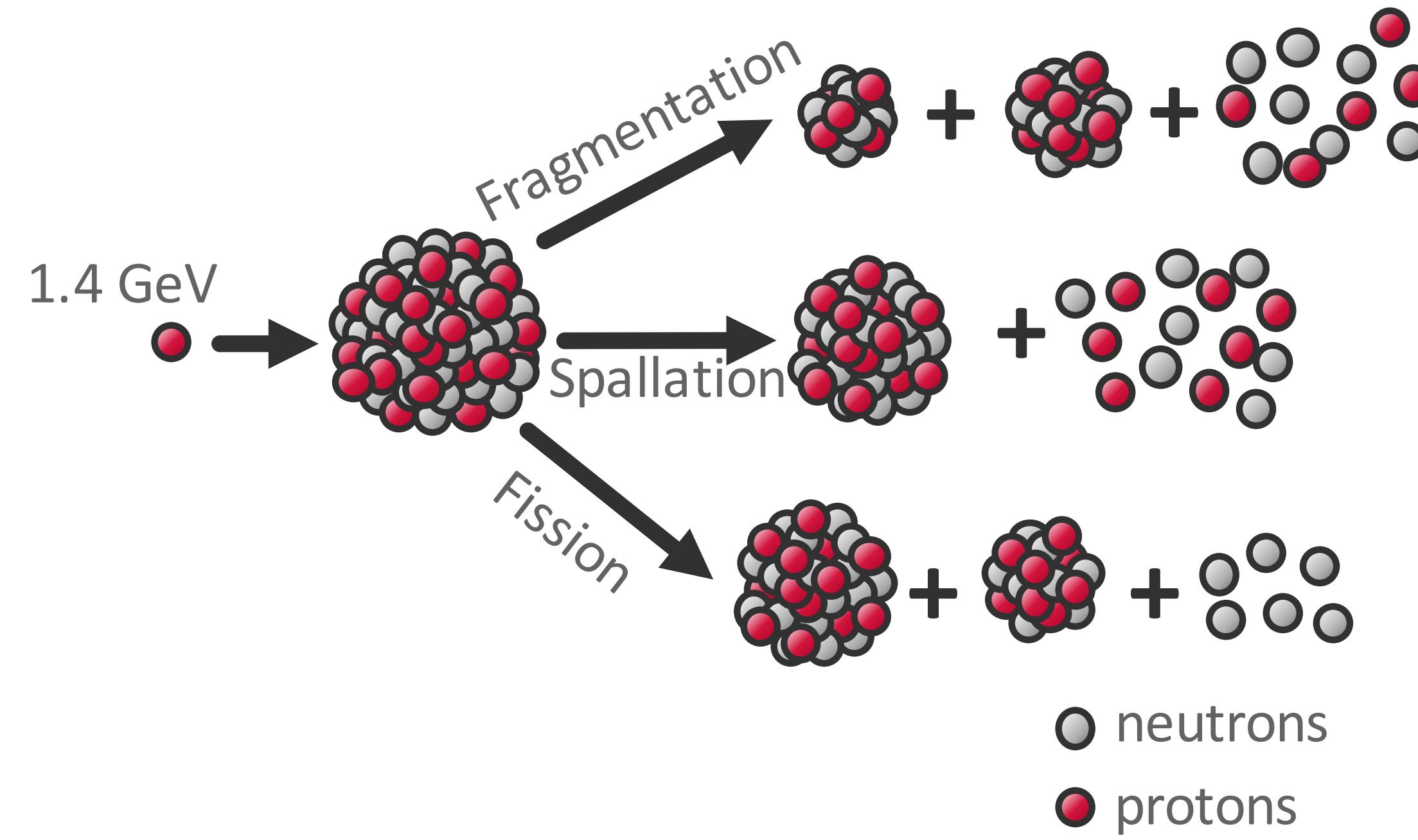
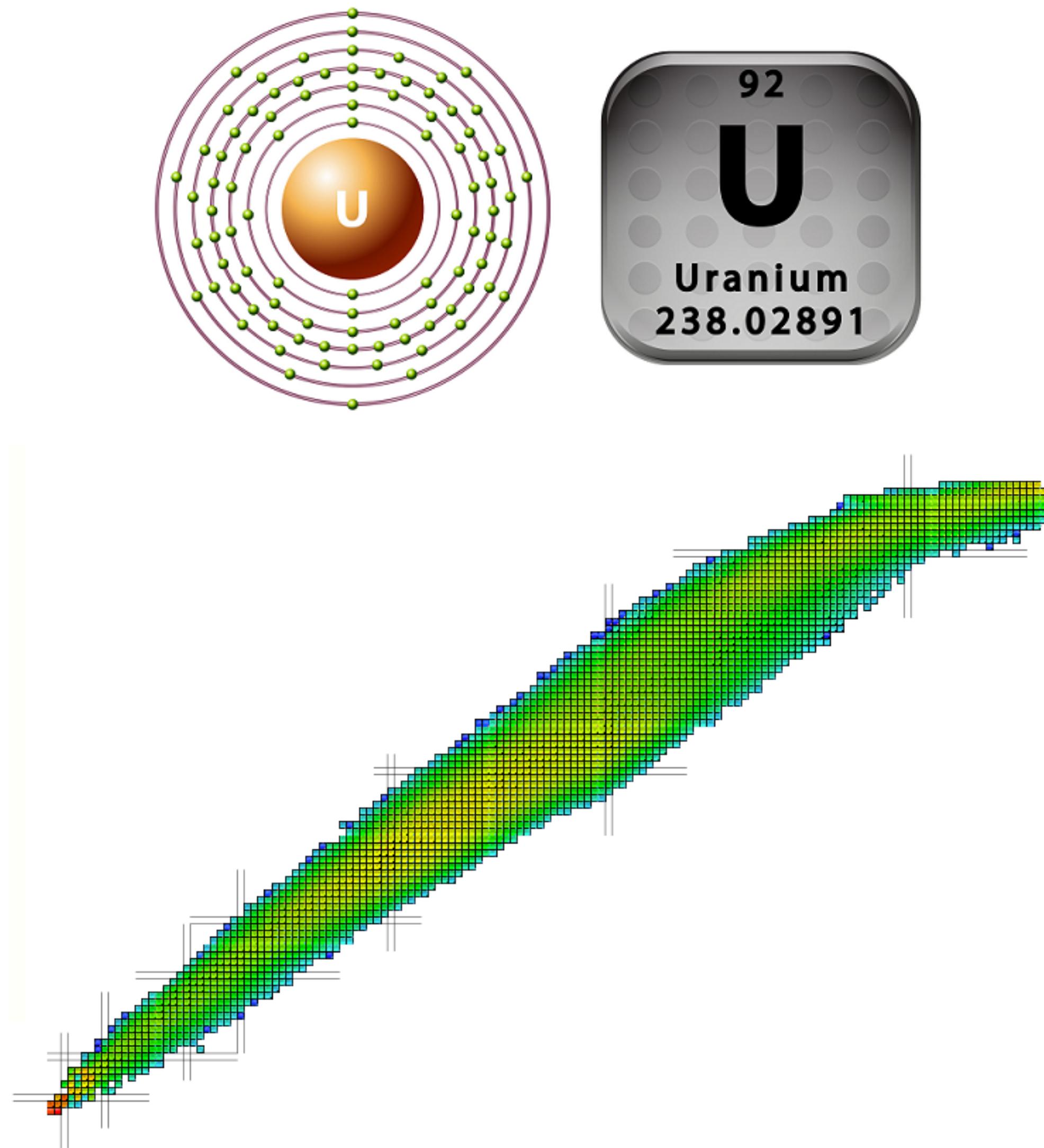
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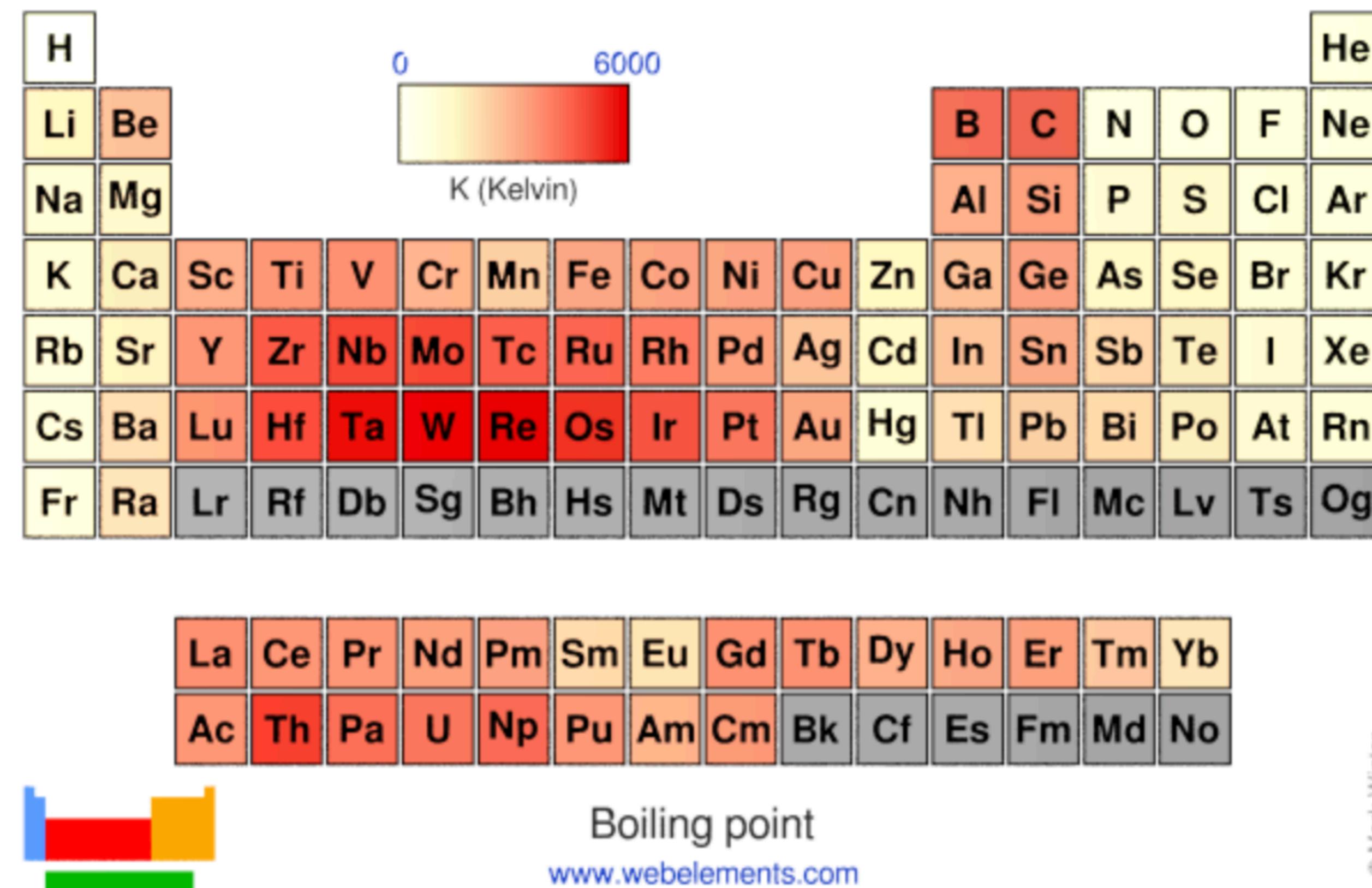
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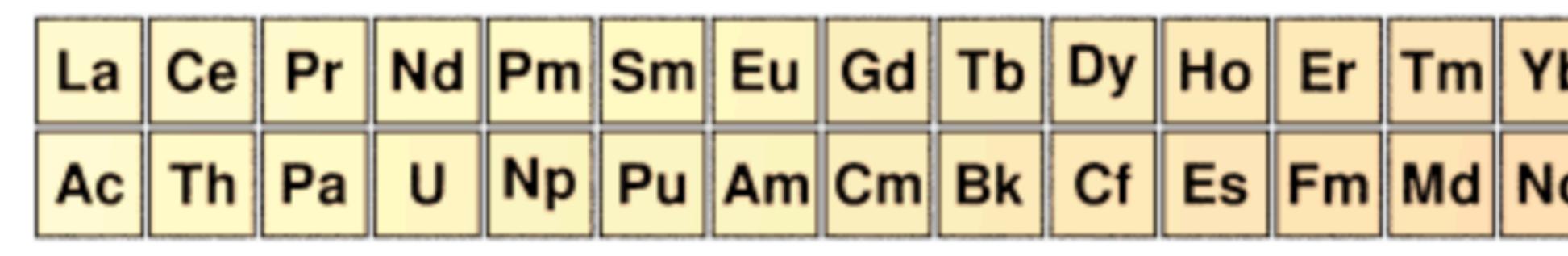
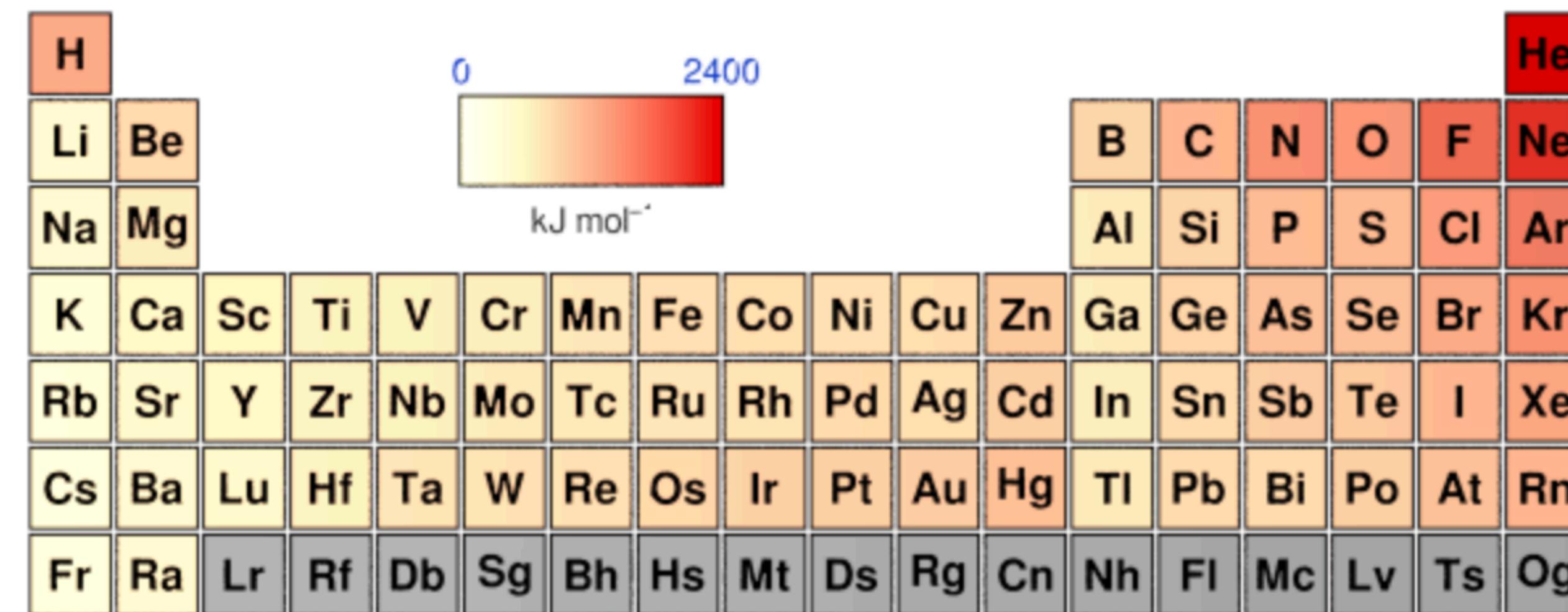
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- Release the isotope from the target



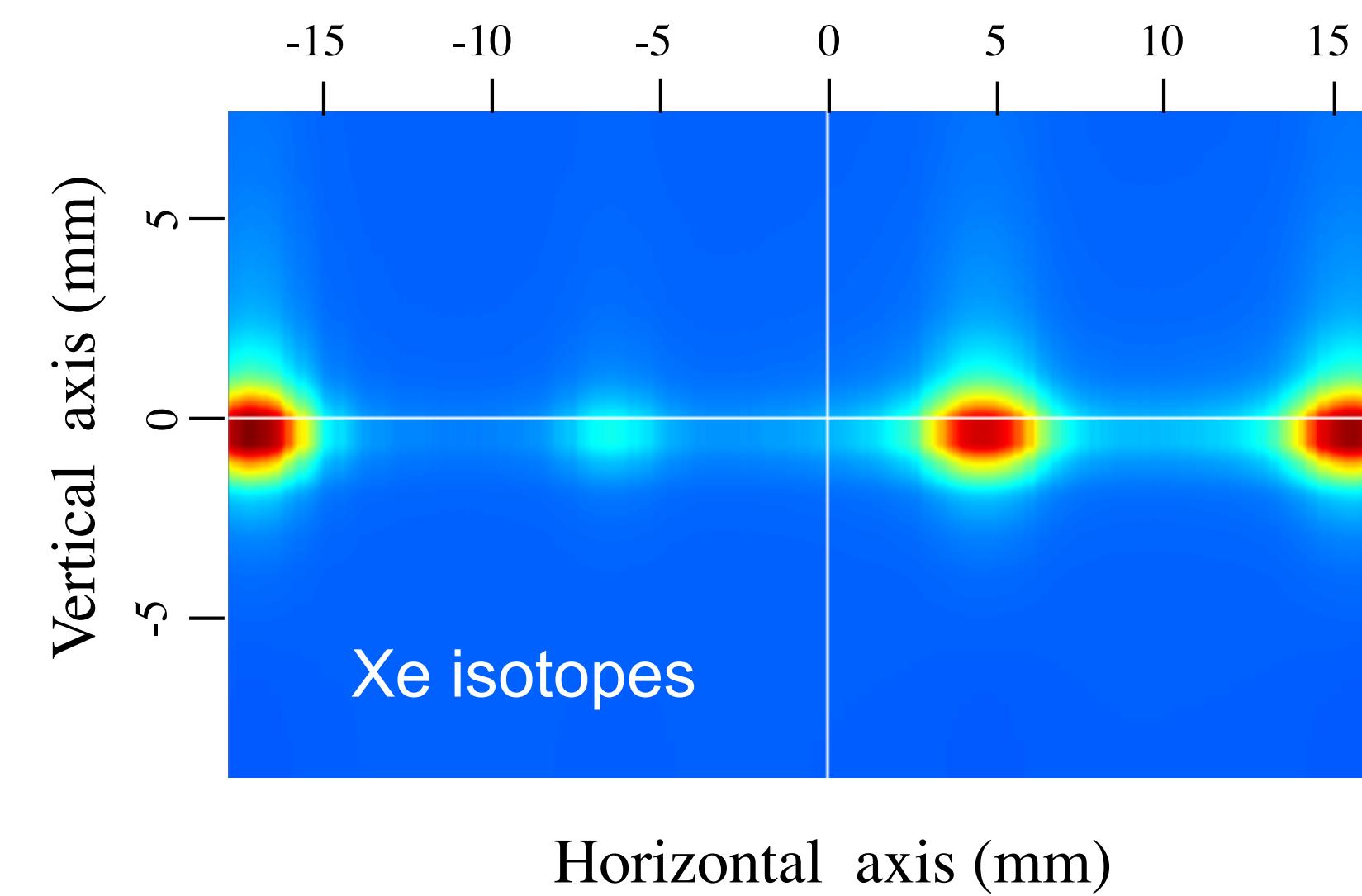
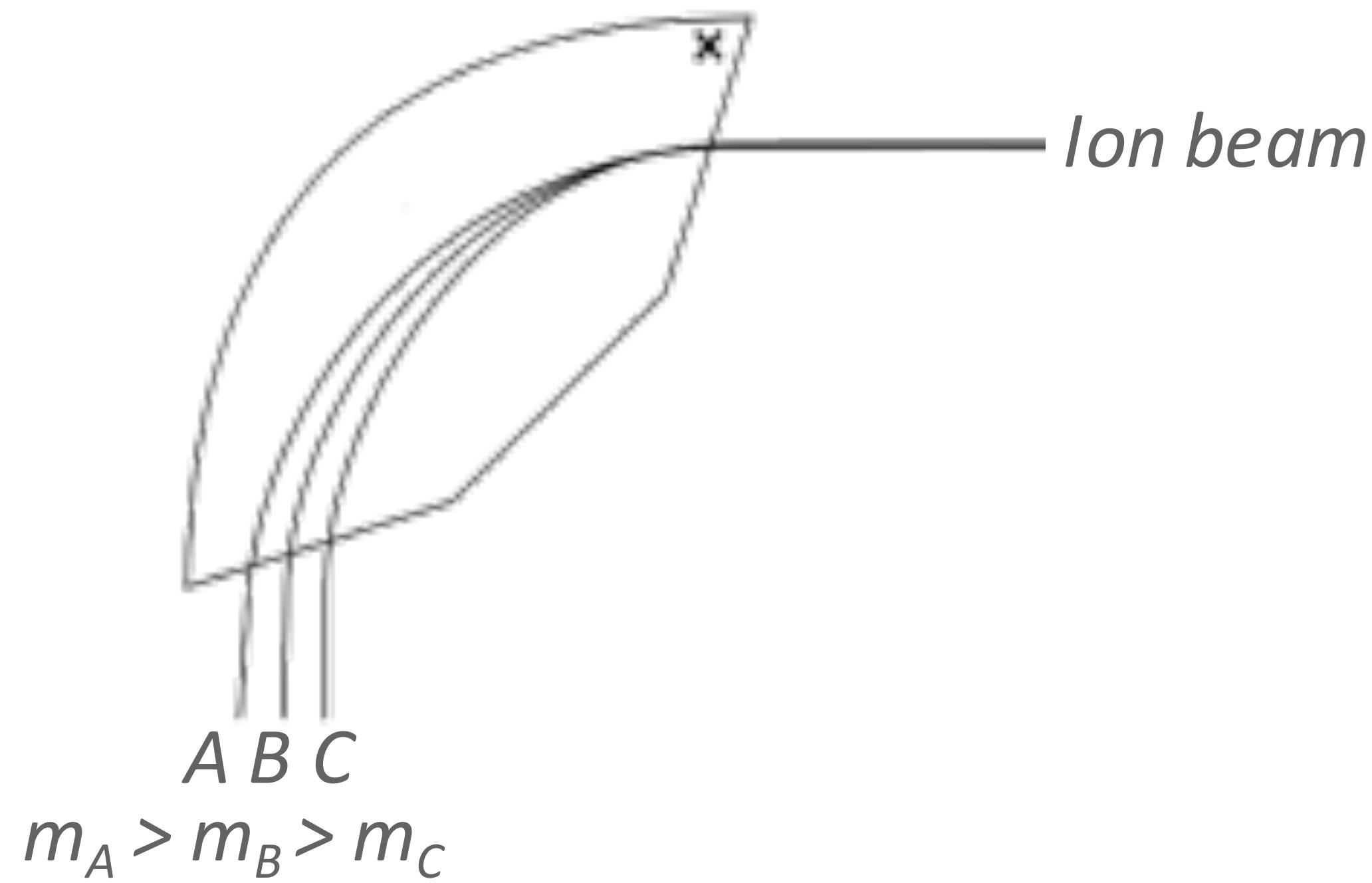
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  - Release the isotope from the target
  - Ionise the isotope



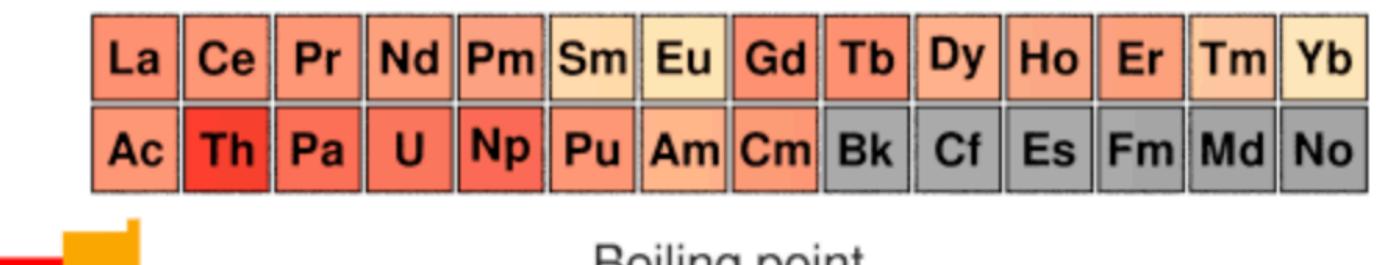
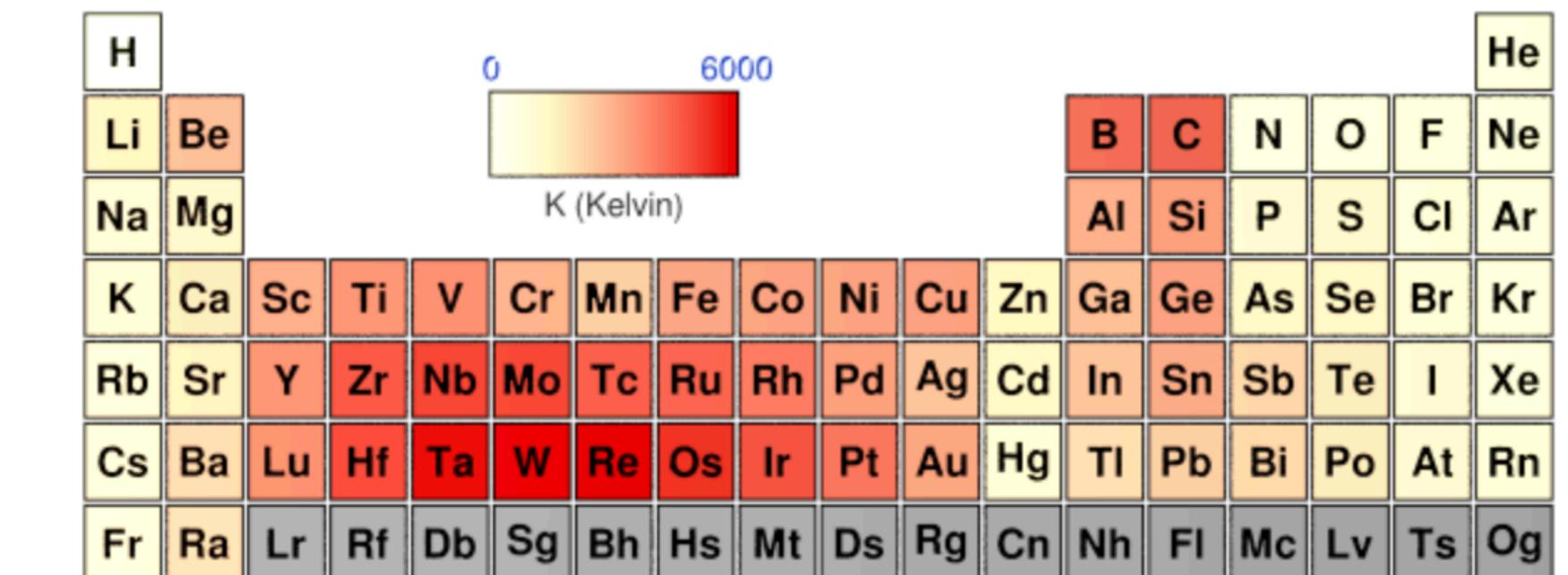
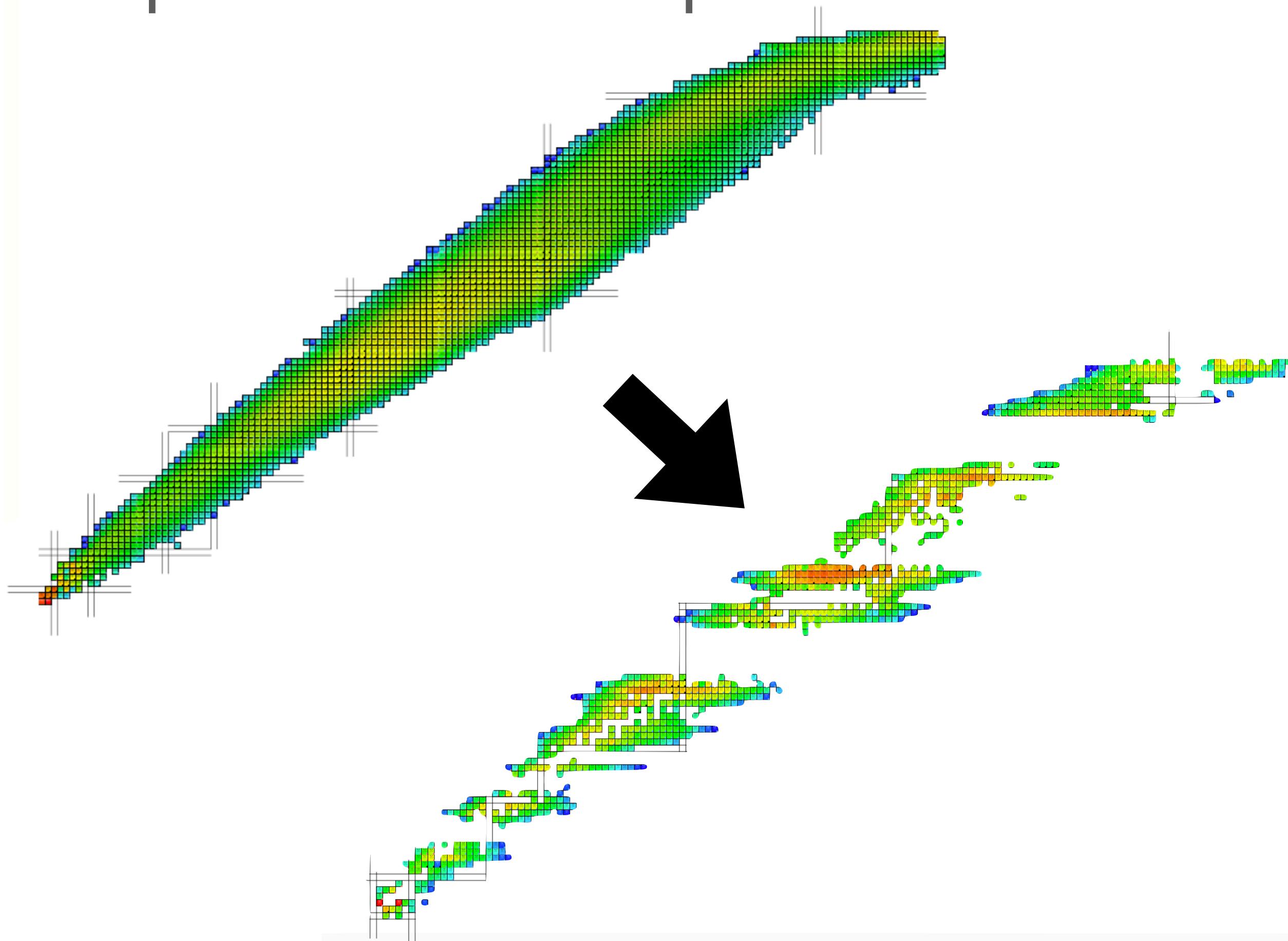
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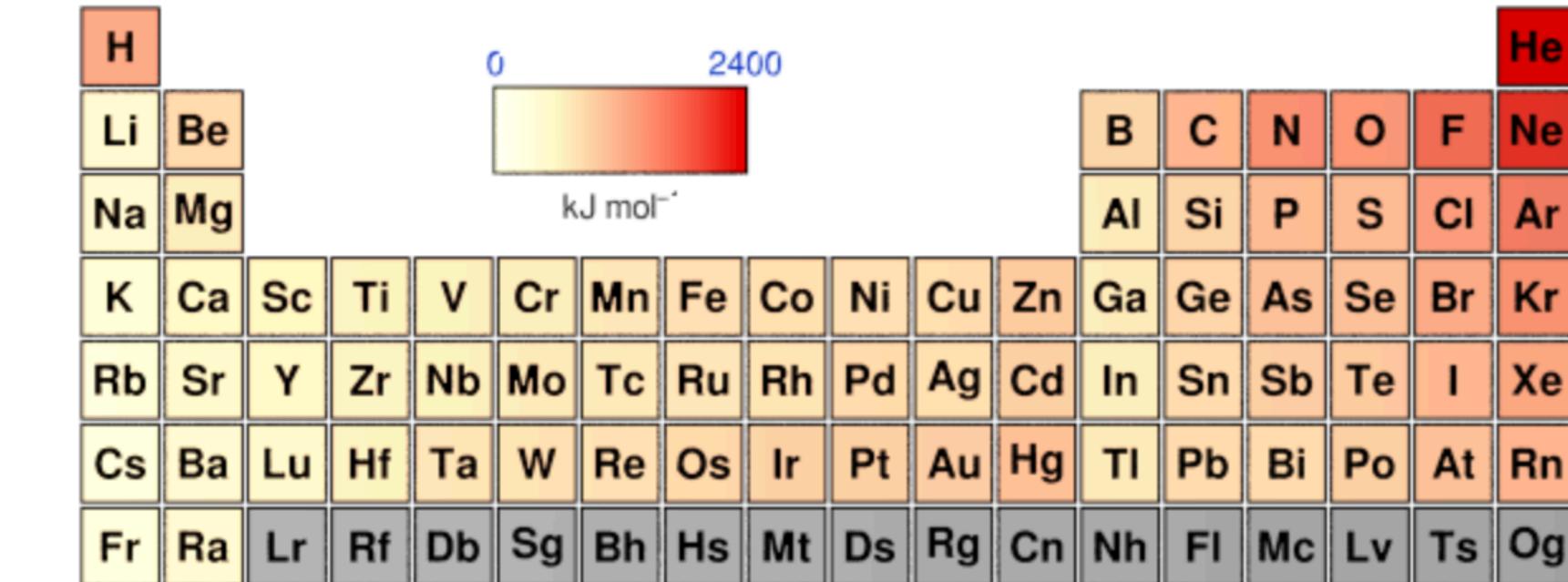
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- Separate the isotope from contaminants



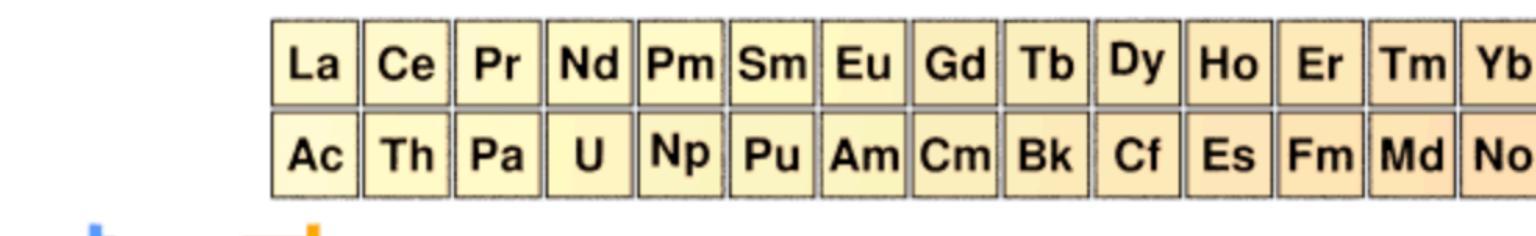
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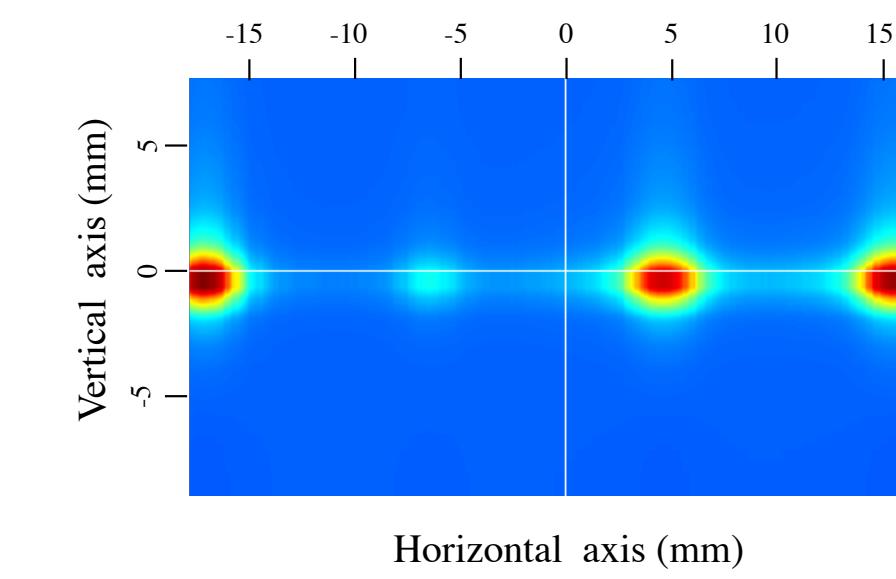
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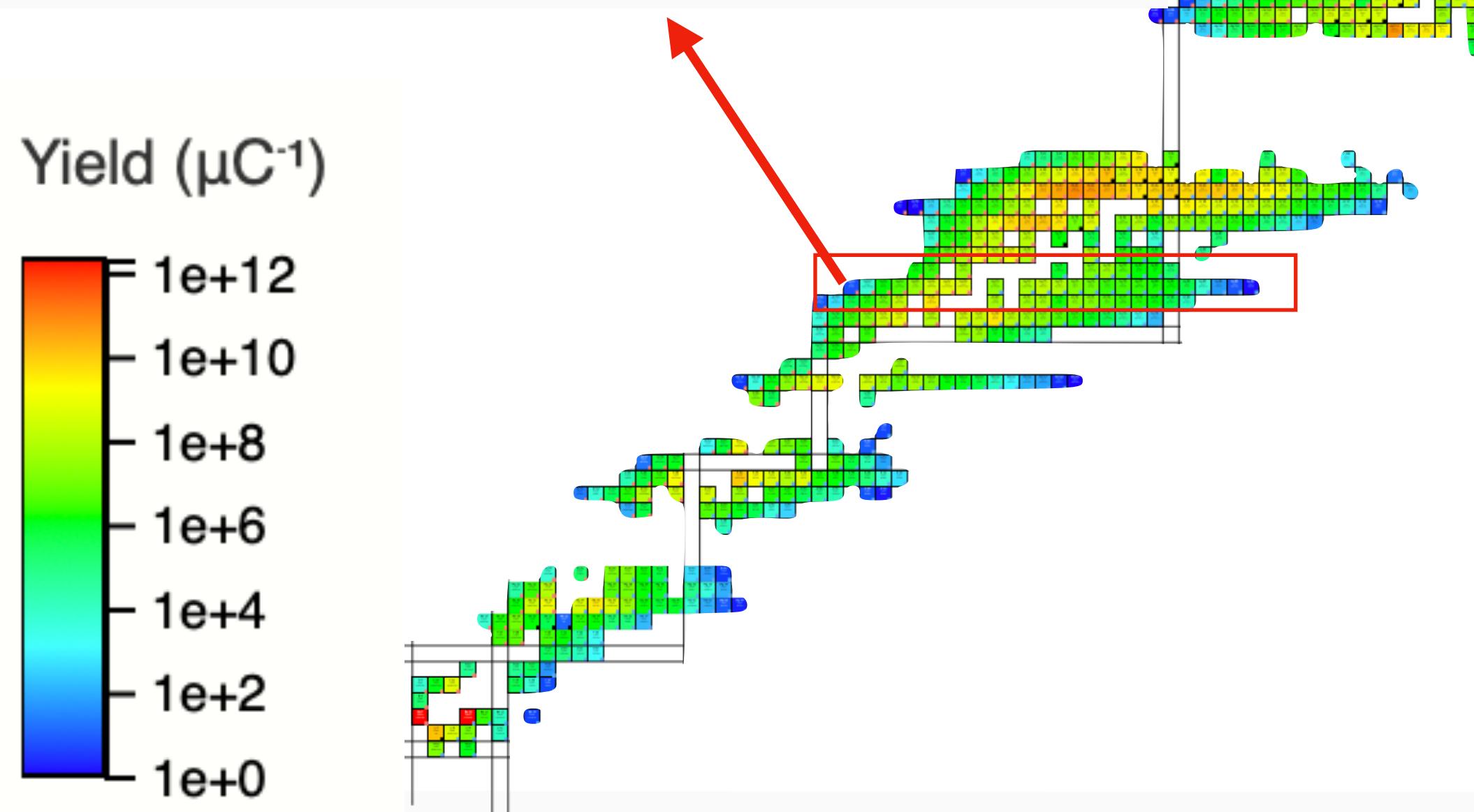
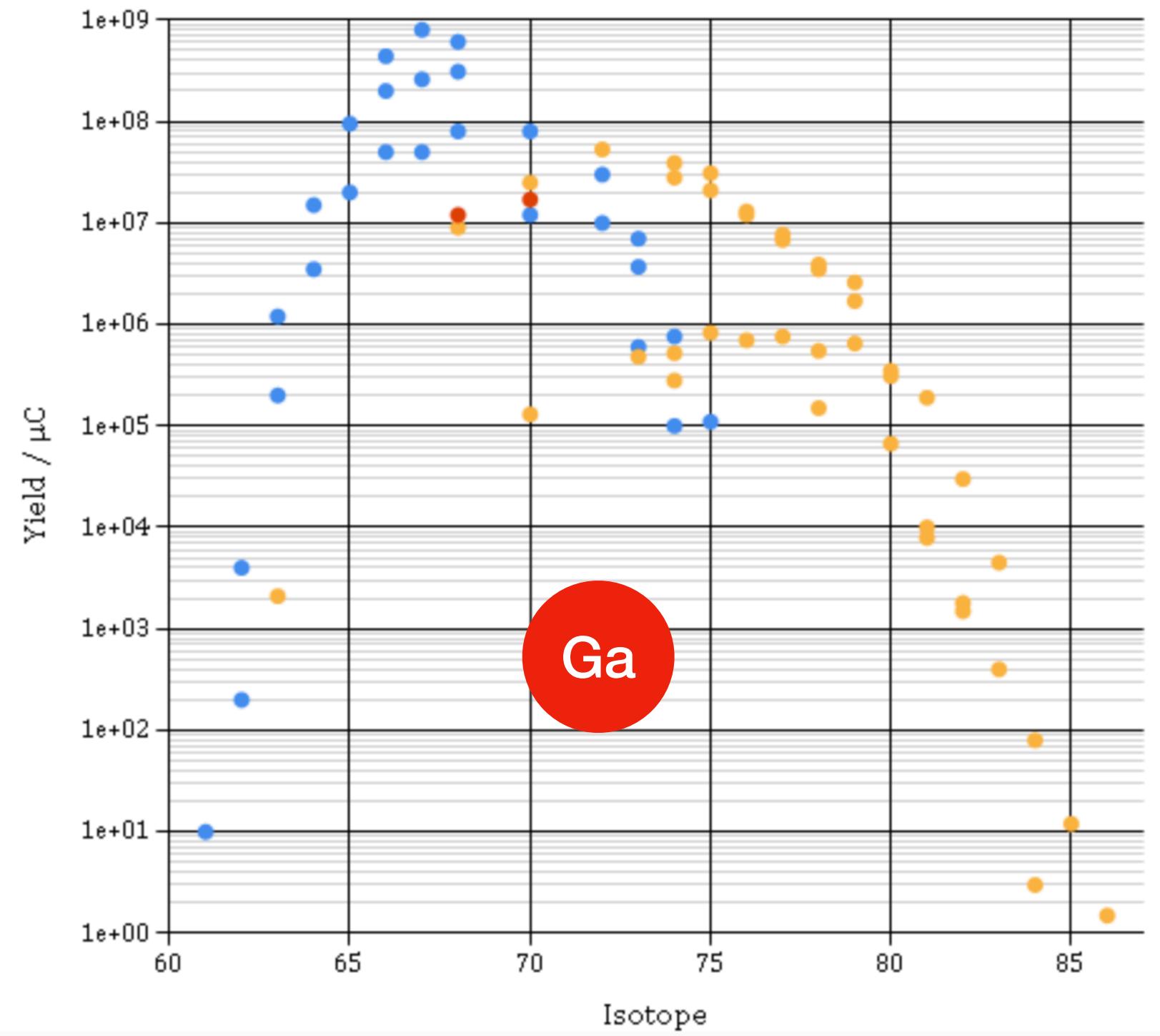


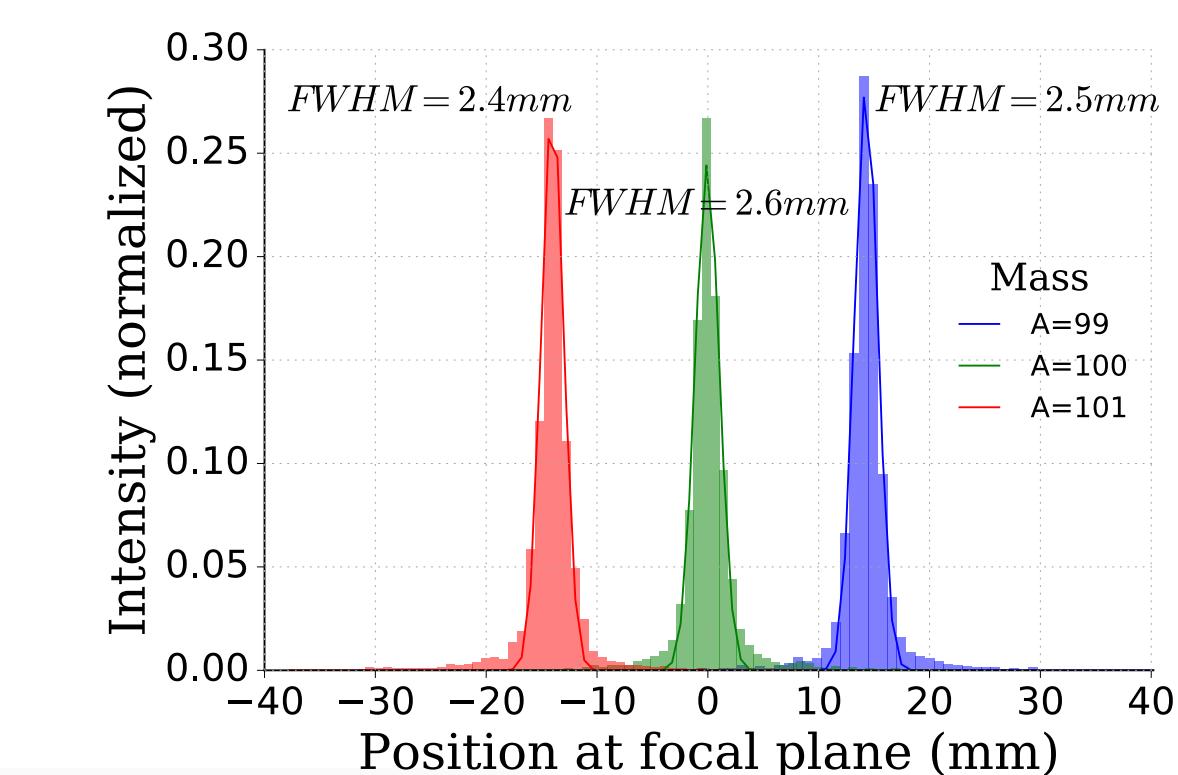
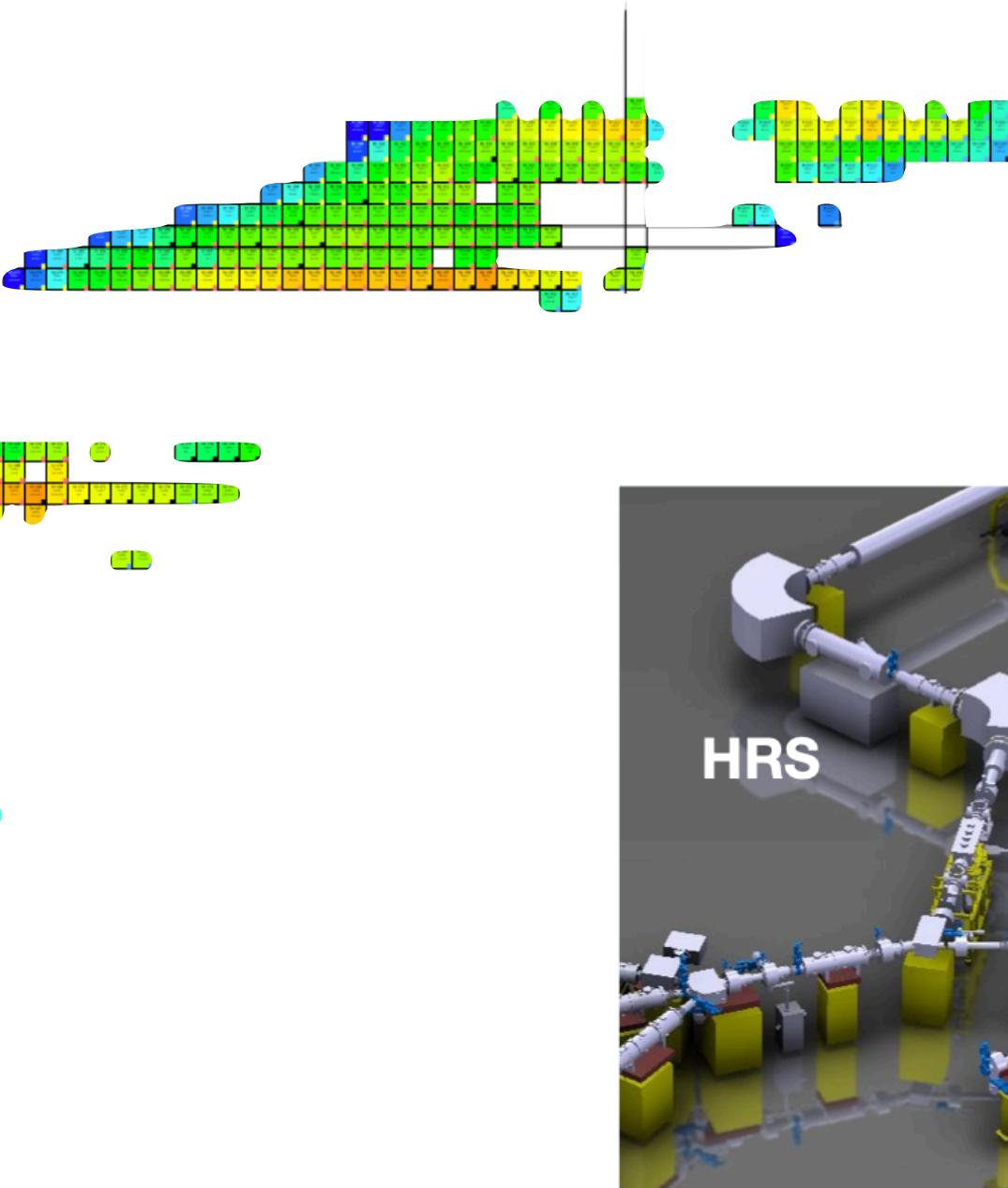
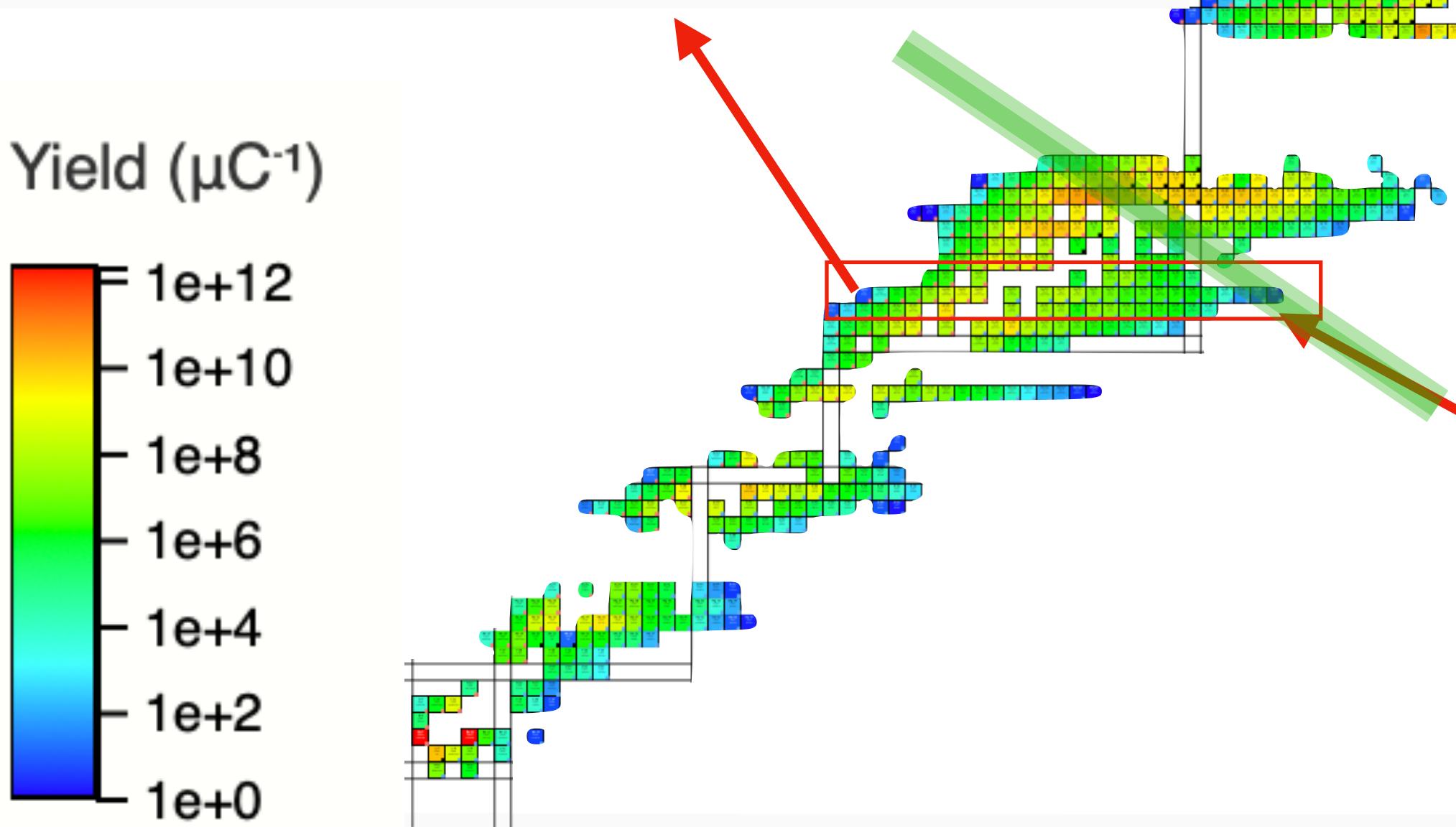
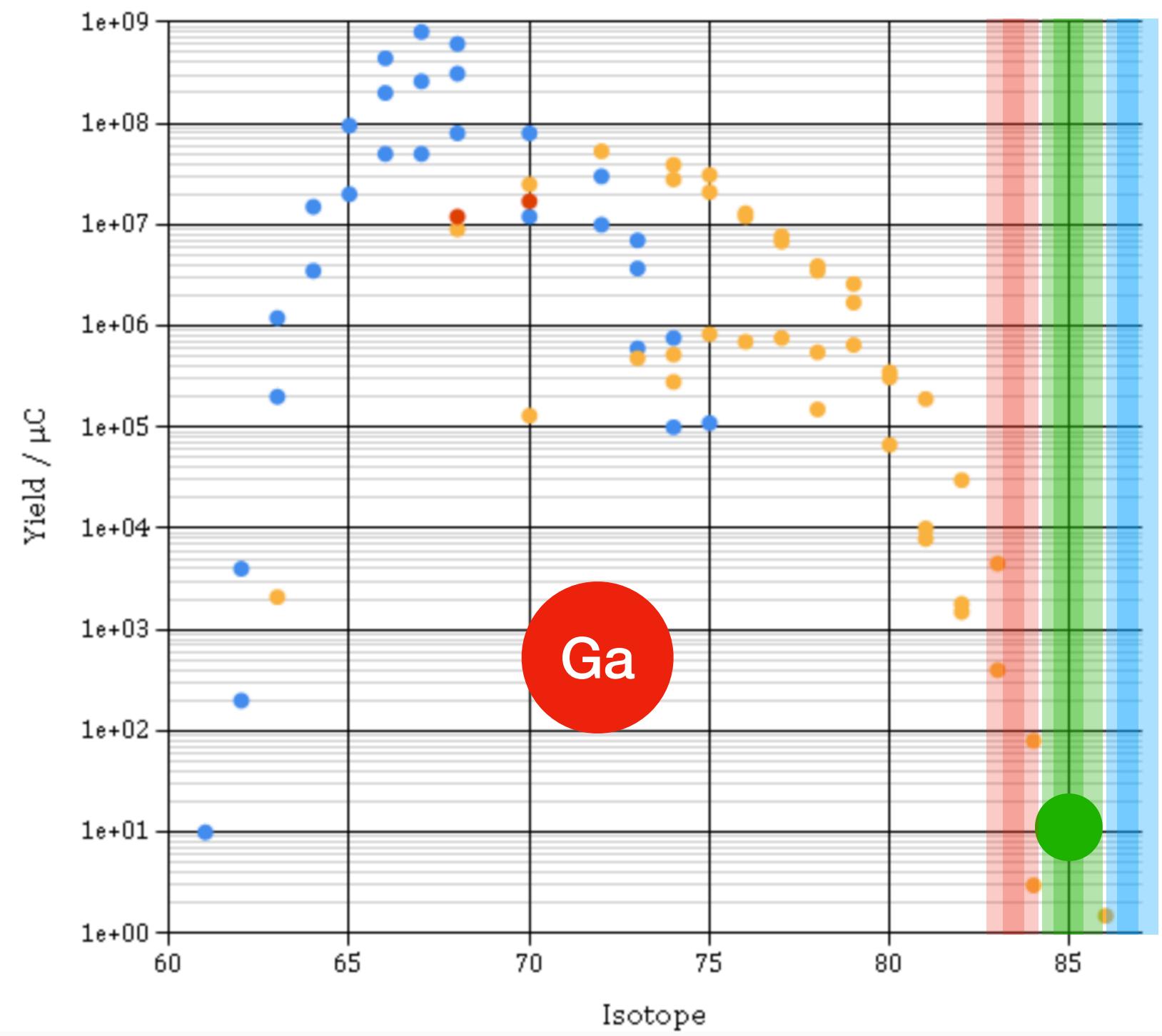
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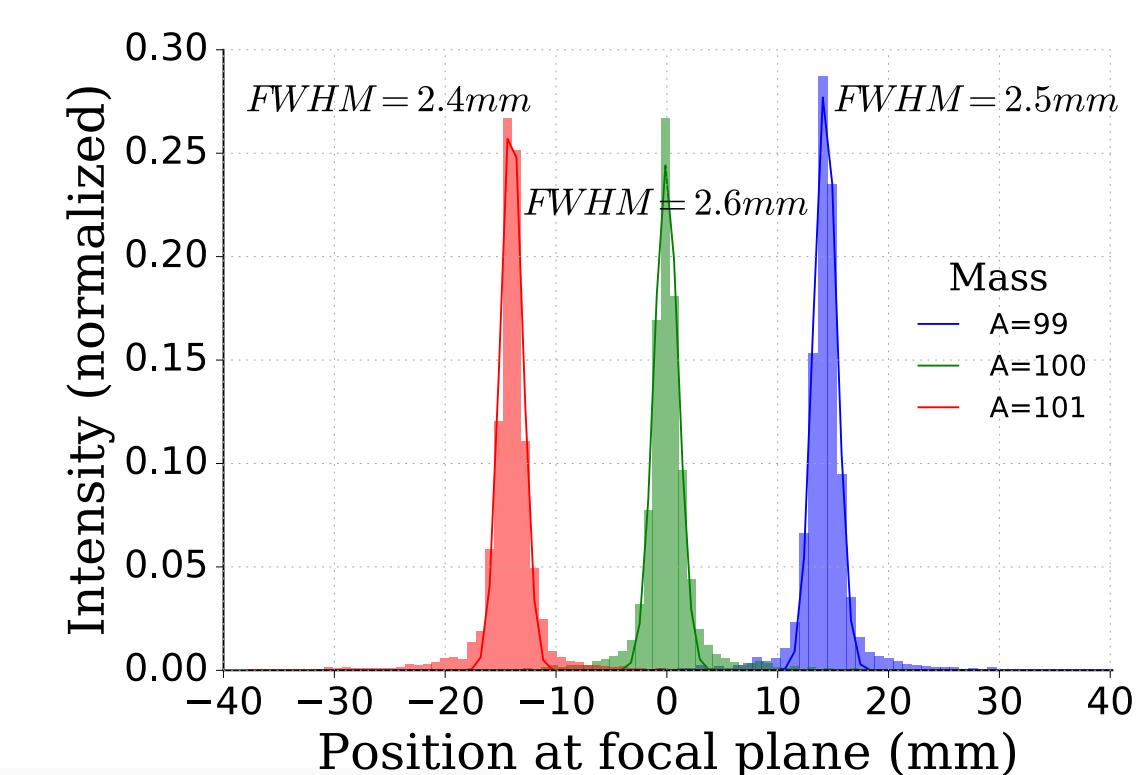
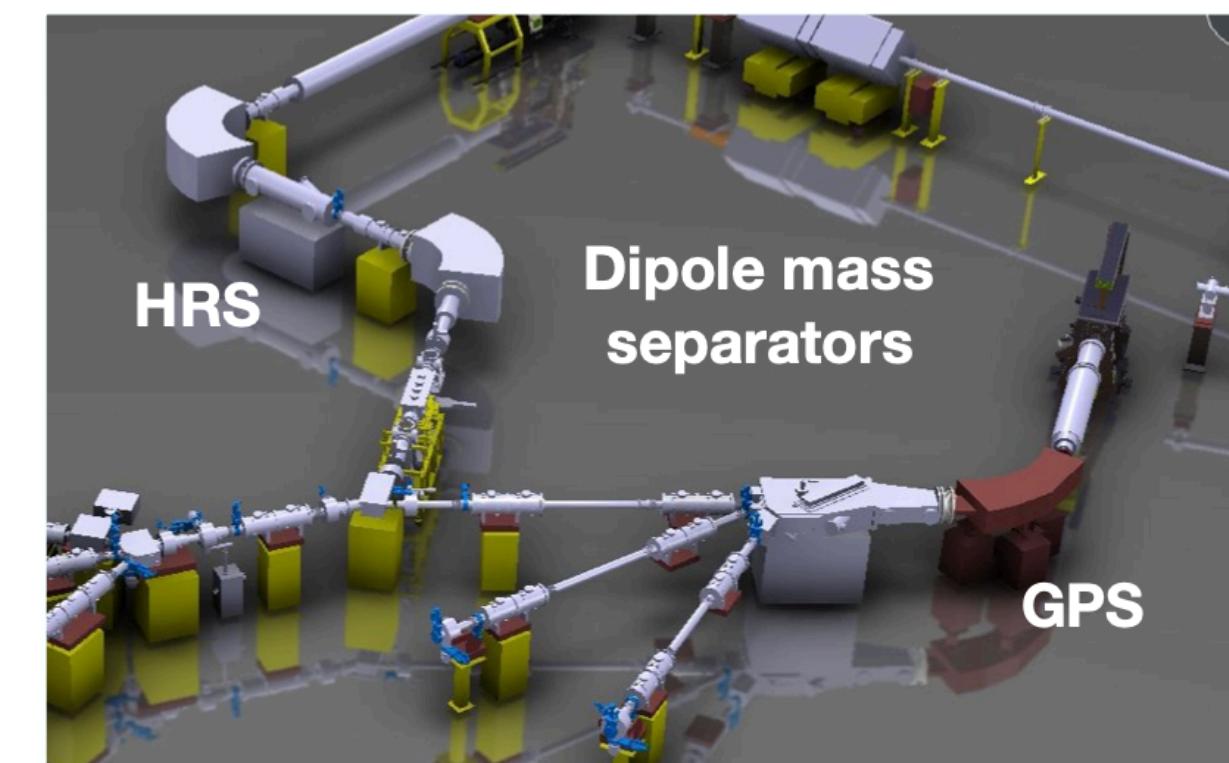
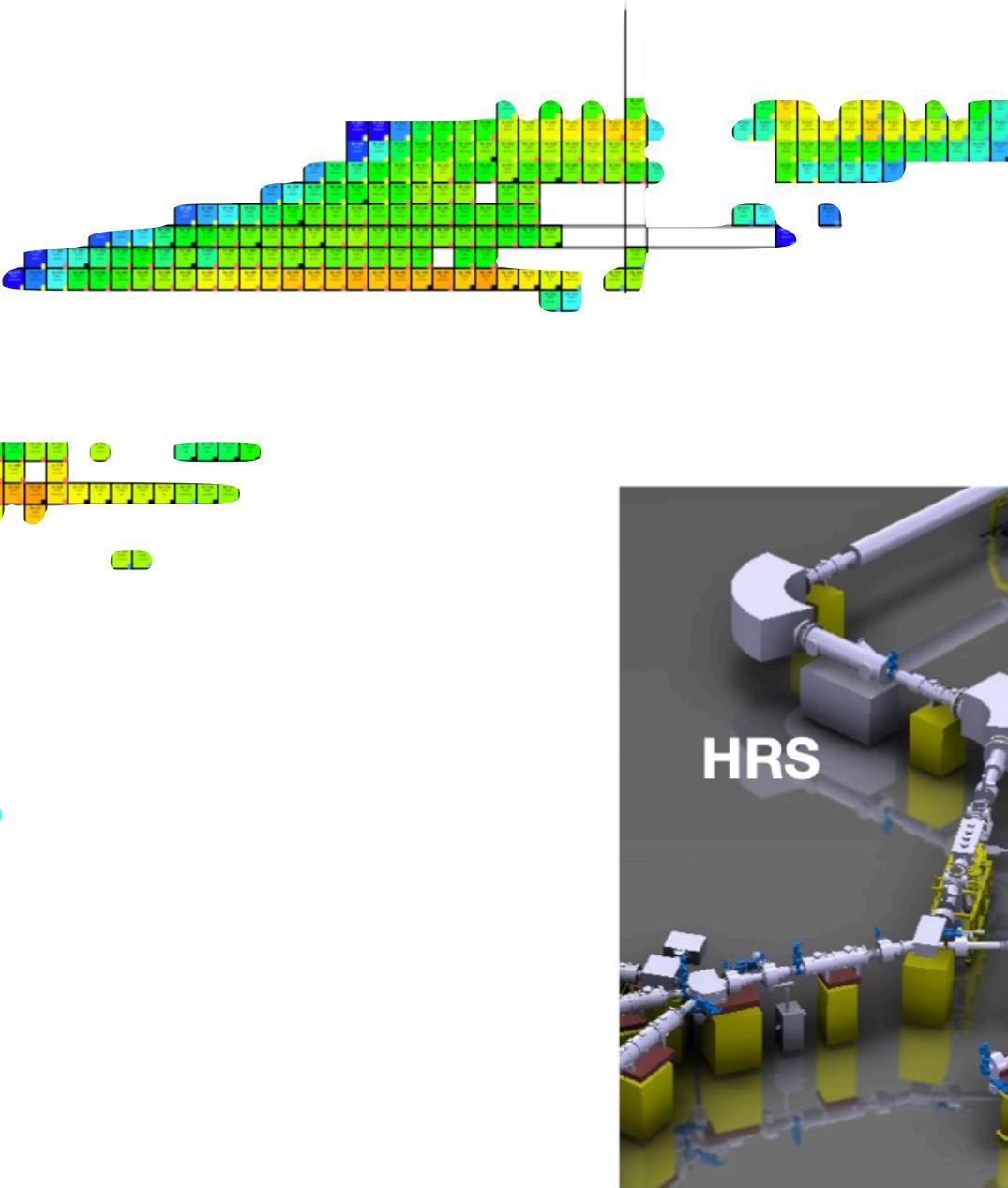
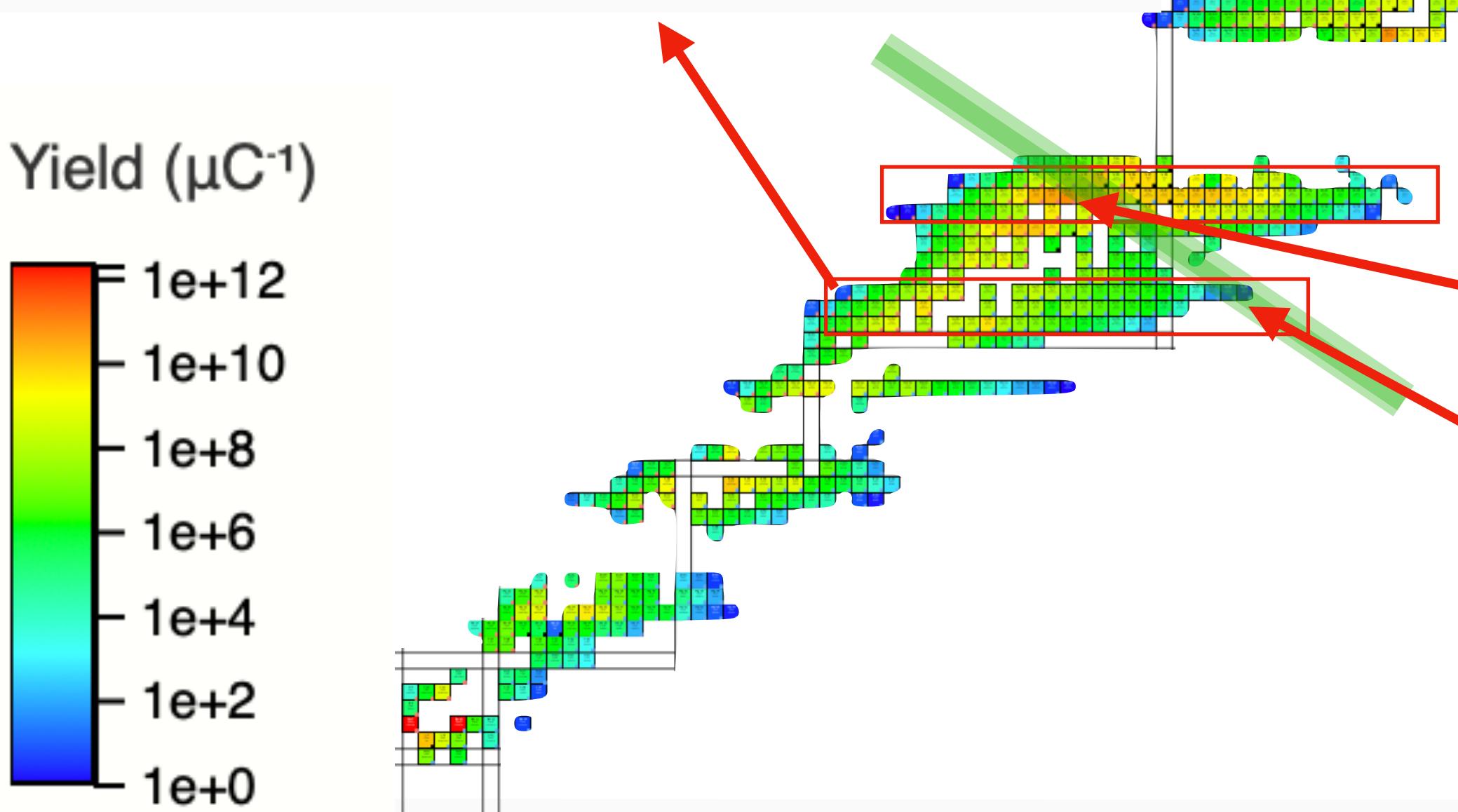
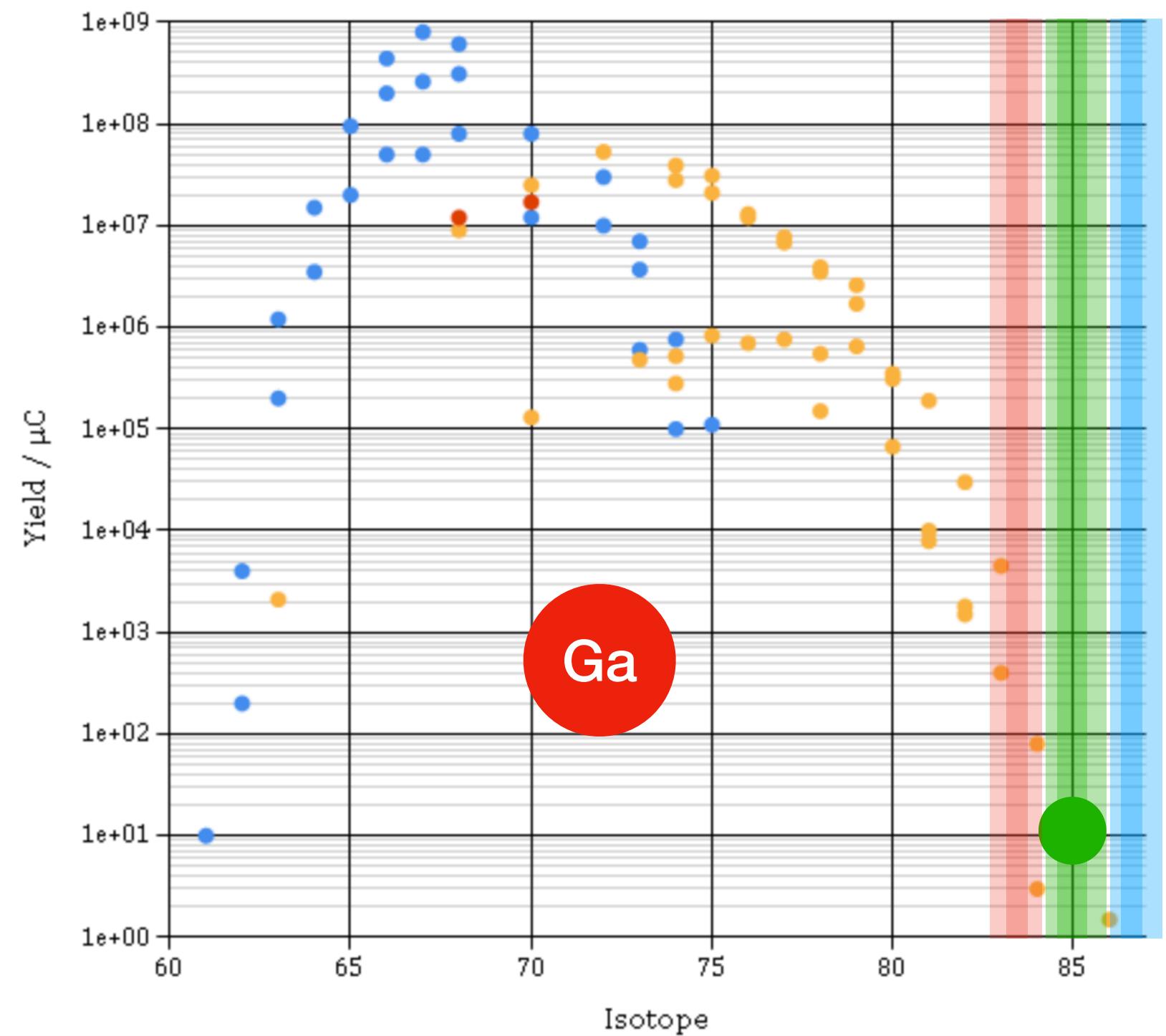


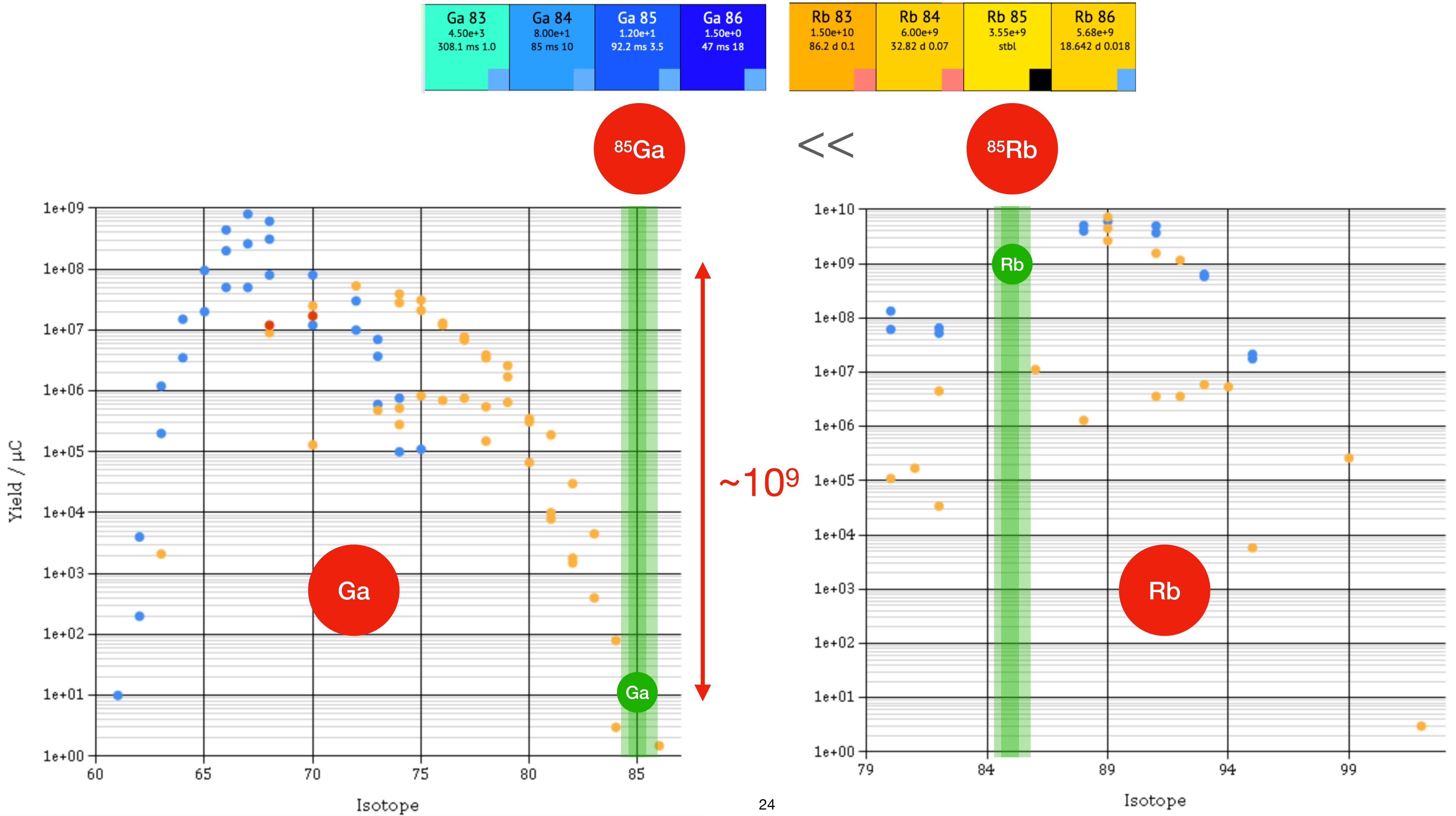
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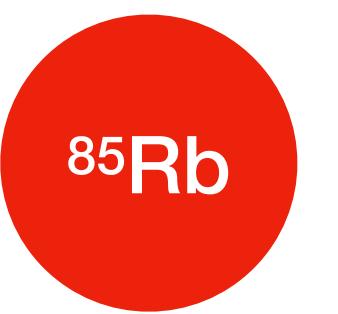




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Different number  
of protons

Different  
electron  
configuration

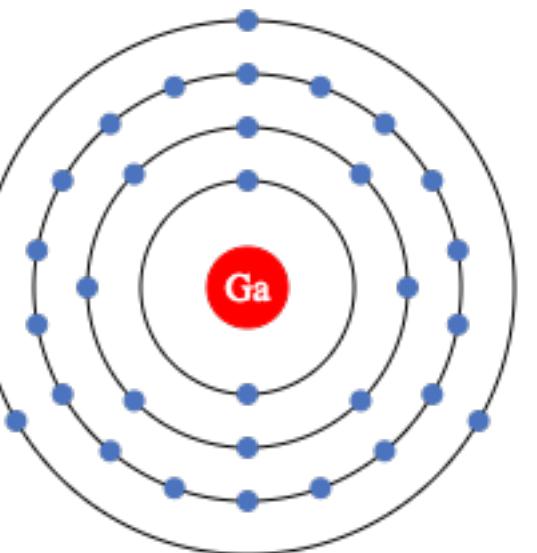
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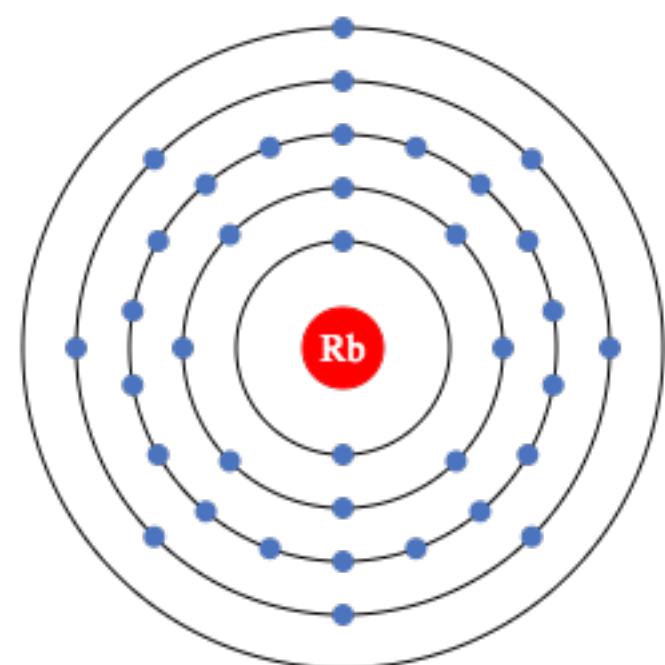
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[Ar] 3d10 4s2 4p1

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37: Rubidium



[Kr] 5s1

[2, 8, 18, 8, 1]

# Different number of protons

# Different electron configuration

# Different spectral properties

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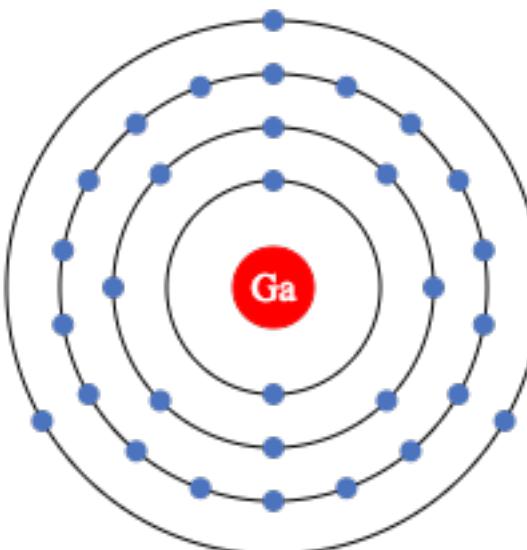
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85Rb

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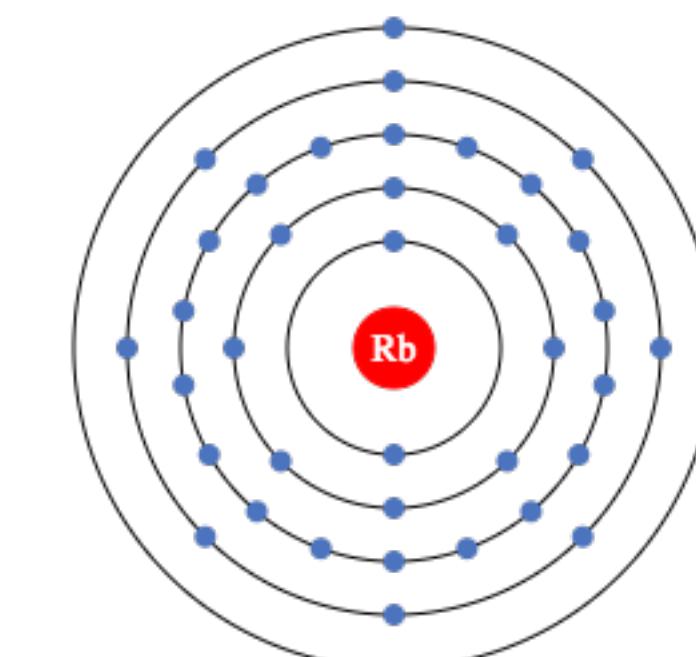
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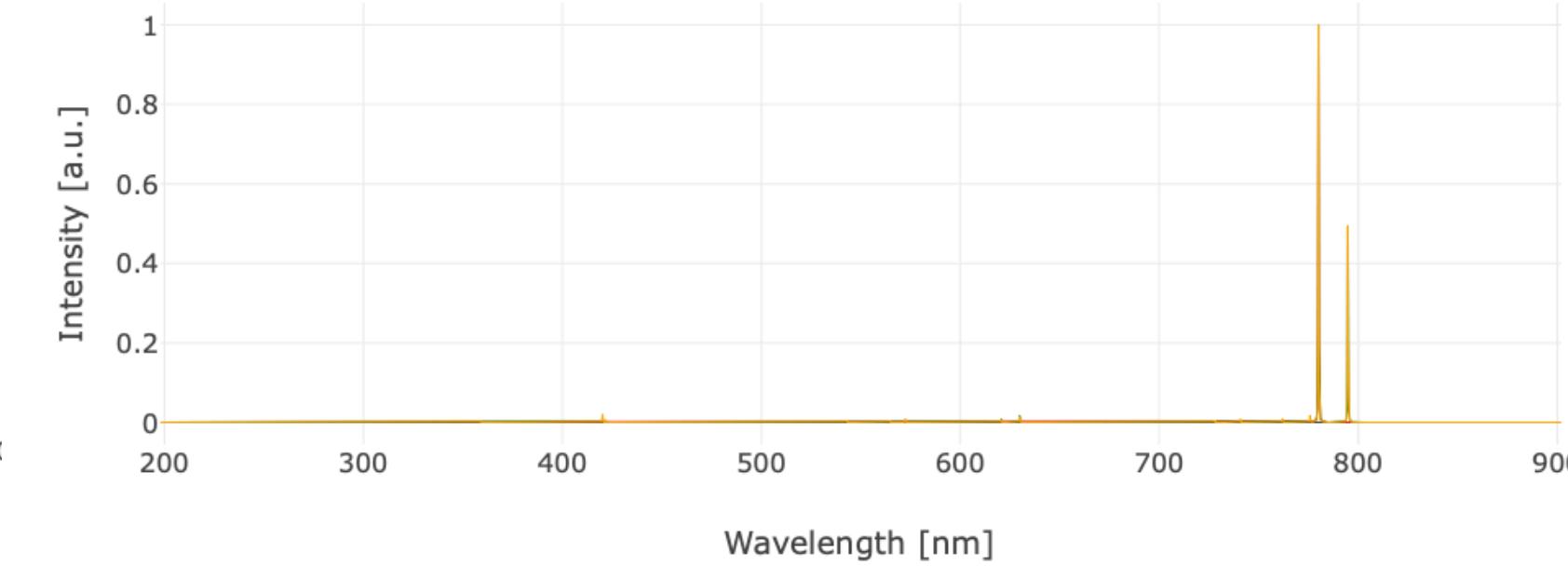
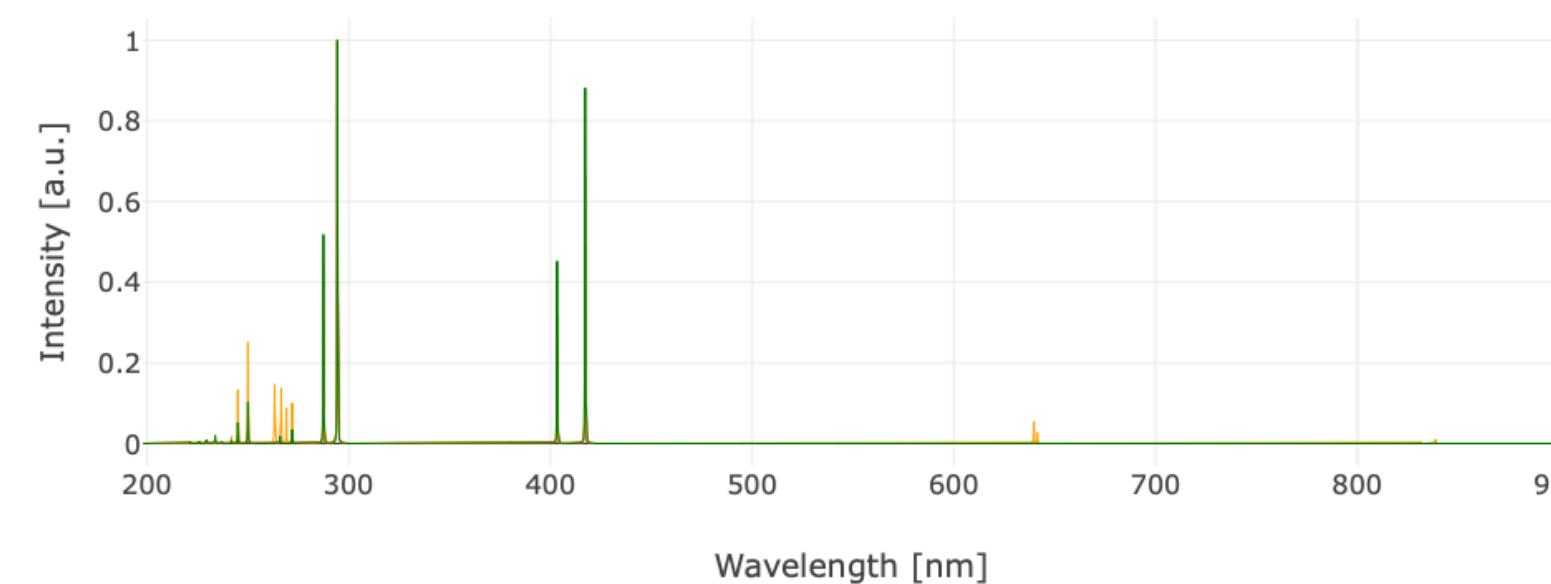
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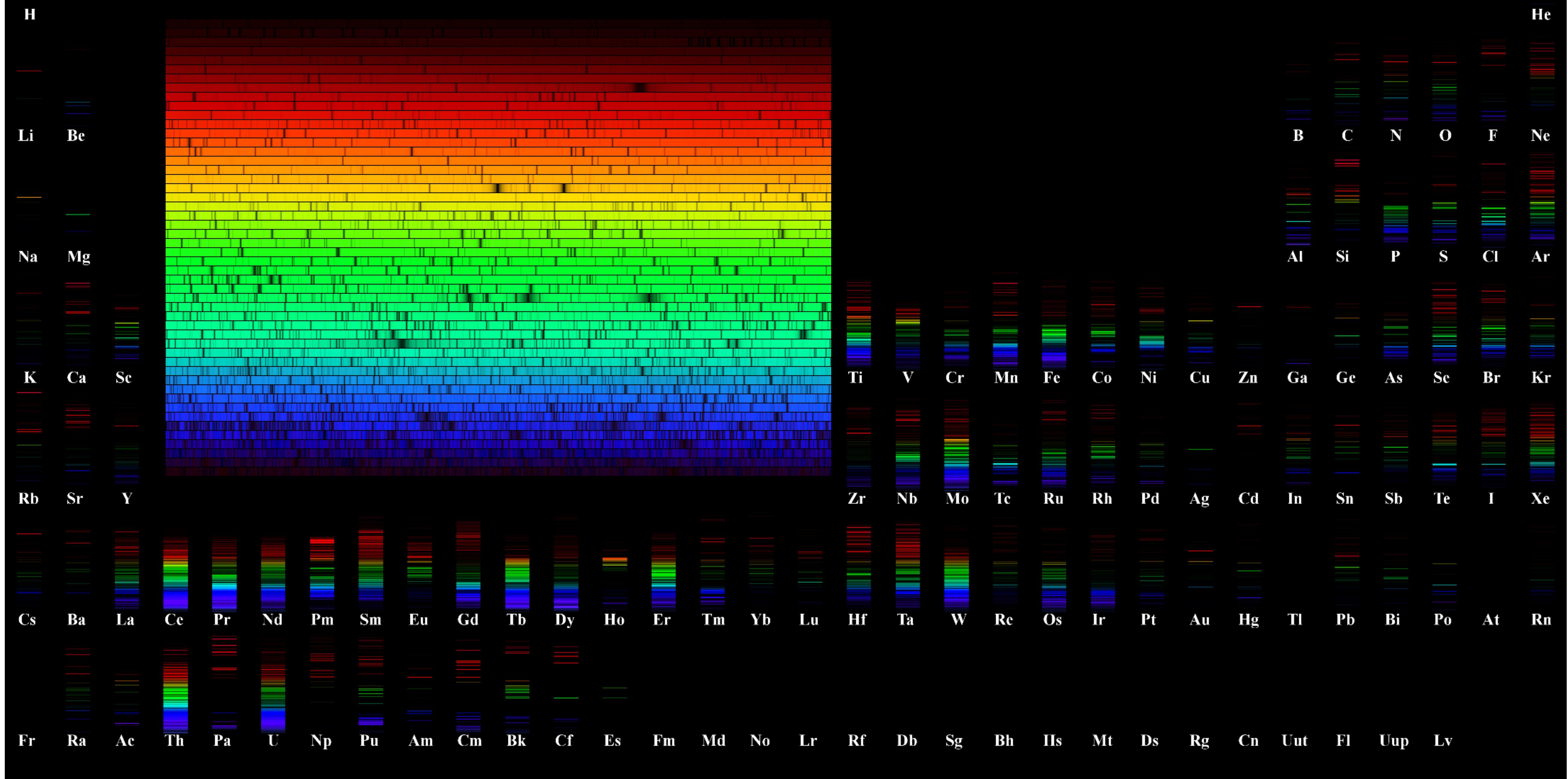
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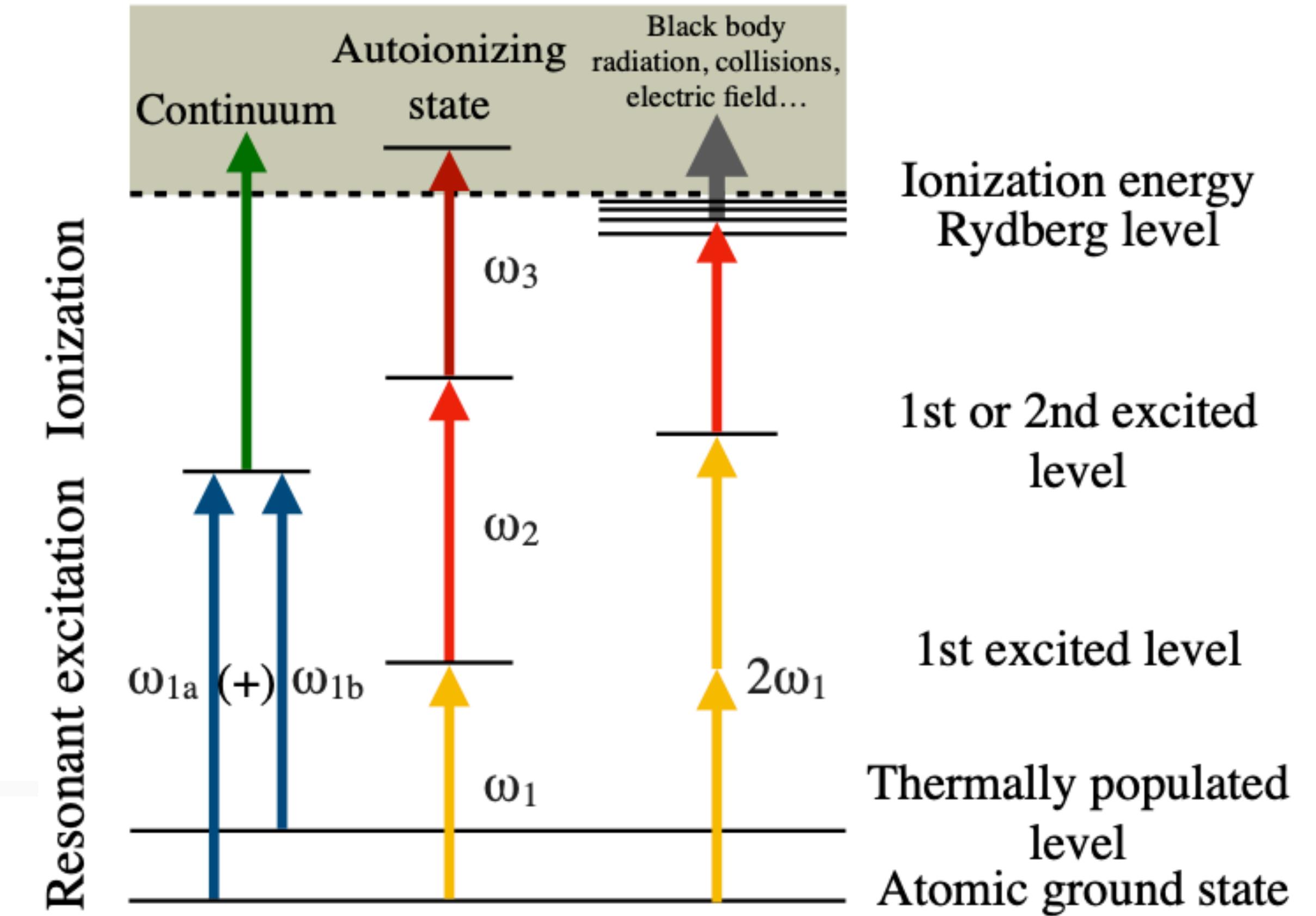
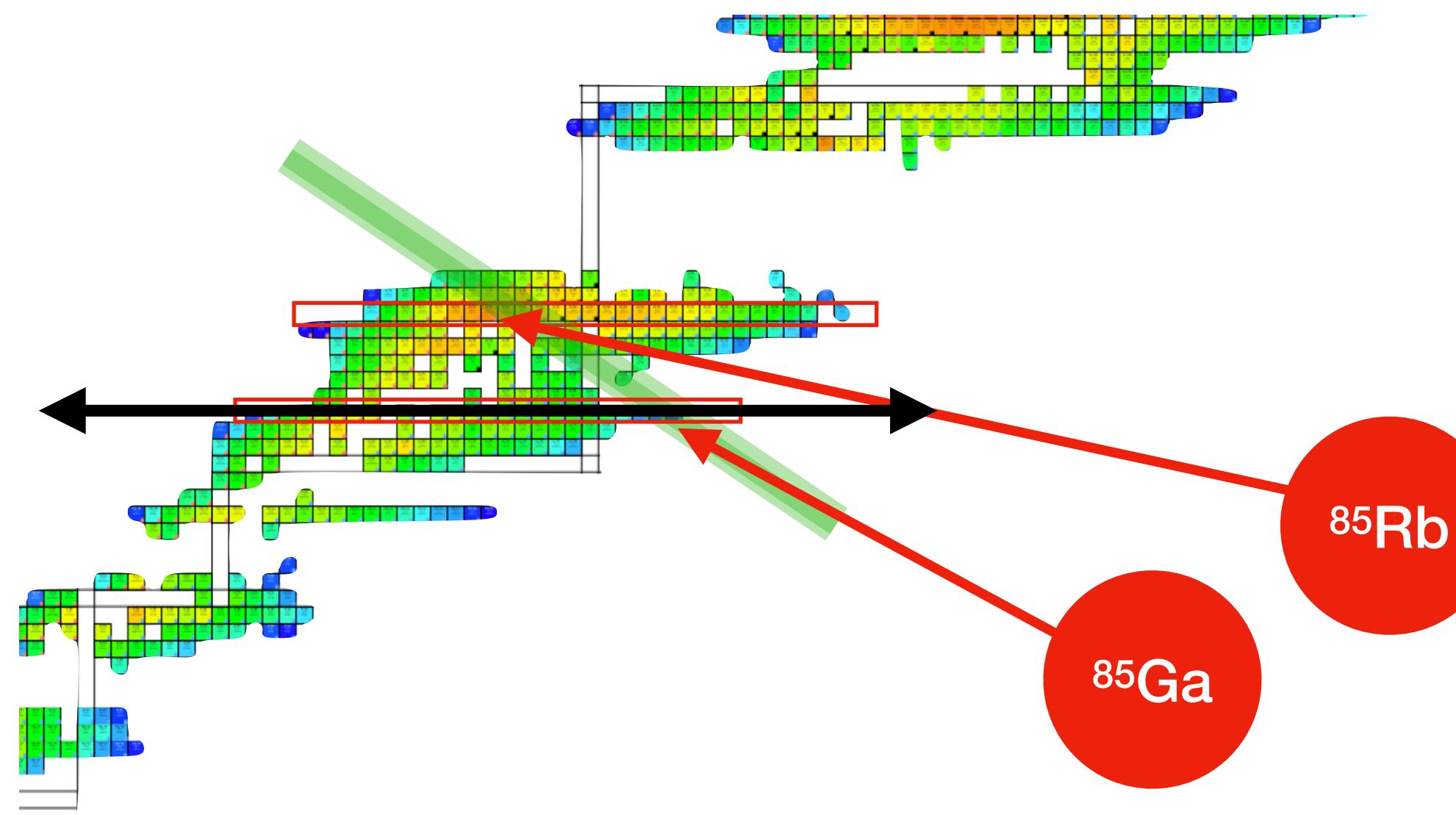
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# Stepwise Resonance Photo-ionization

An element-selective ionisation method!



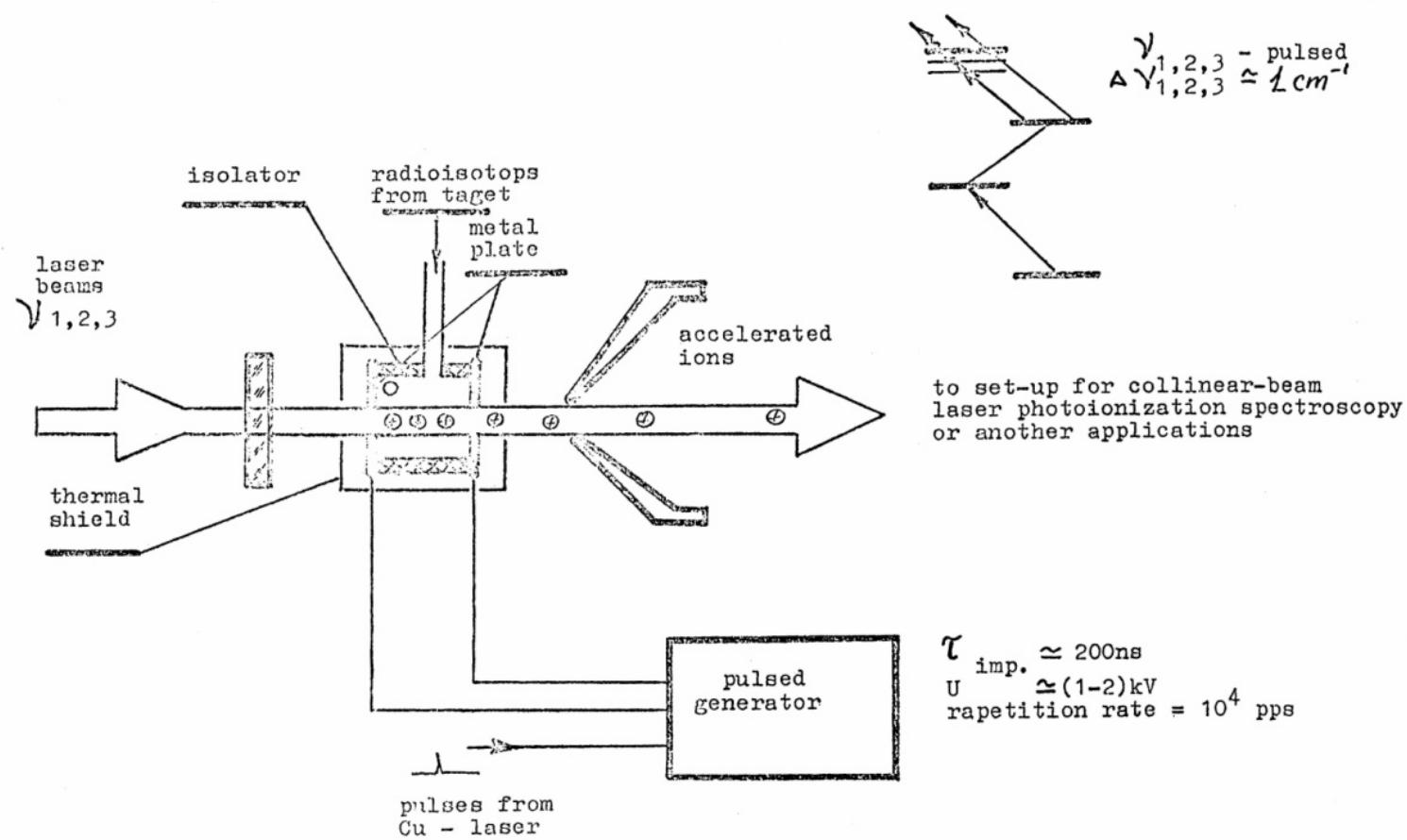
# History of the RILIS method

Early proposals: 1988

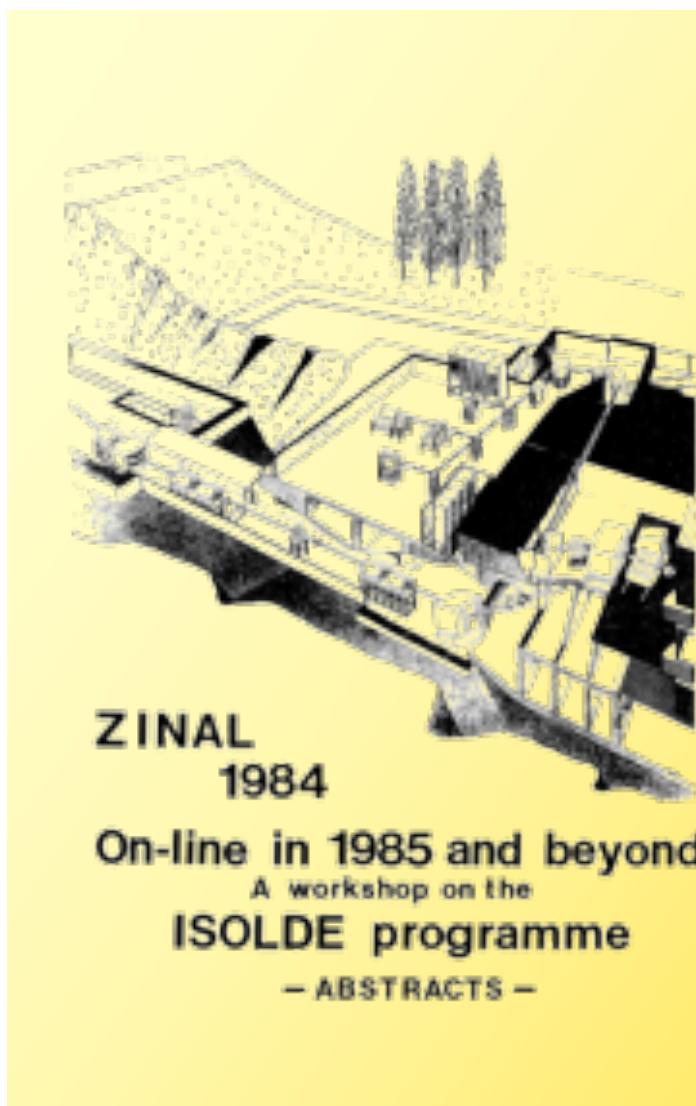
PROPOSAL  
of the Institute of Spectroscopy, Acad.Sci. USSR  
for experiments with ISOLDE-CERN Facility  
(V. S. Letokhov and V. I. Mishin)

LASER PHOTOIONIZATION PULSED SOURCE OF  
RADIOACTIVE ATOMS

I. Purpose The development of a pulsed isobar-selective effective source of ions at the mass-separator inlet on the basis of the method of laser resonant atomic photoionization.



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PROPOSAL TO THE ISOLDE COMMITTEE

DEVELOPMENT OF A LASER ION SOURCE

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## SUMMARY

Test experiments at Troitzk and Mainz have demonstrated the feasibility of step-wise multi-photon excitation and final ionisation by pulsed lasers as a selective and efficient tool for the production of isobarically pure ion beams. The development of a new type of ion source based on this concept is proposed. In combination with existing targets, this will open up the way to a further extension in respect to purity and availability for a number of elements at on-line mass separator facilities. The collaboration proposes to use the CERN-ISOLDE off-line separator for tests of appropriate target ion source configurations with respect to efficiency and purity. After successful development the laser ion source shall be installed as an additional facility at the IS-3 separator.

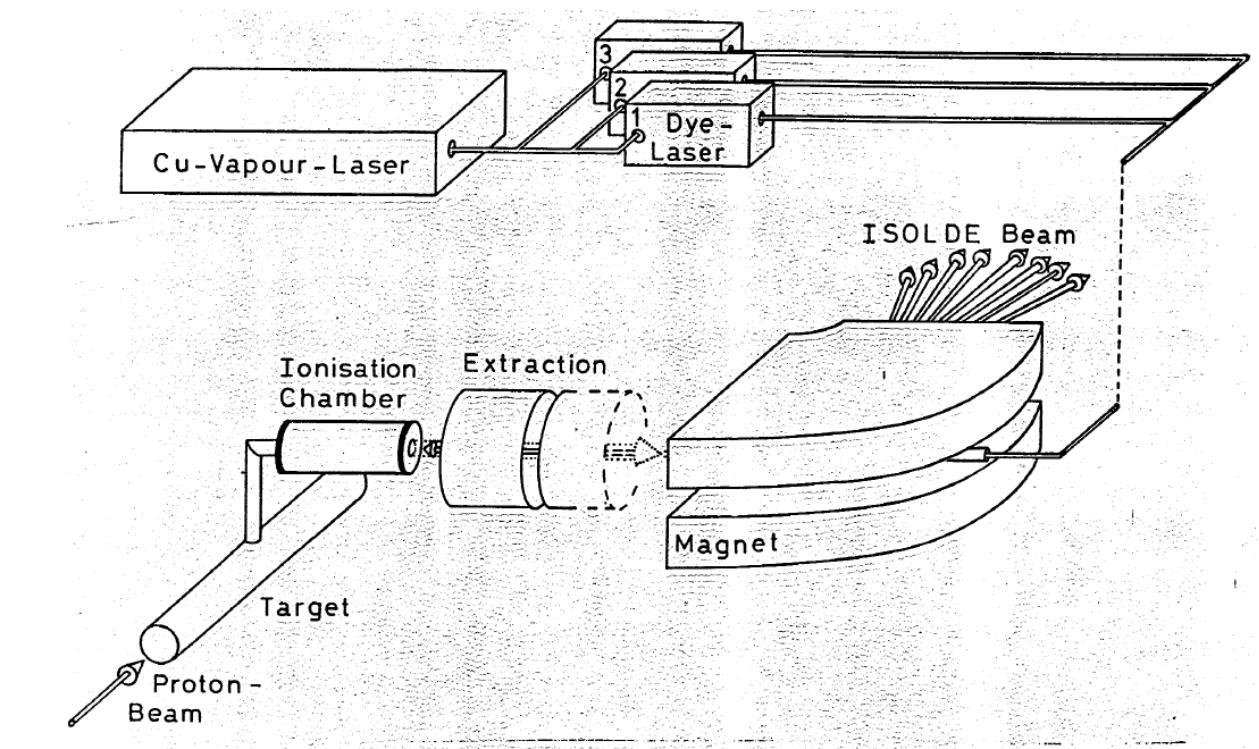
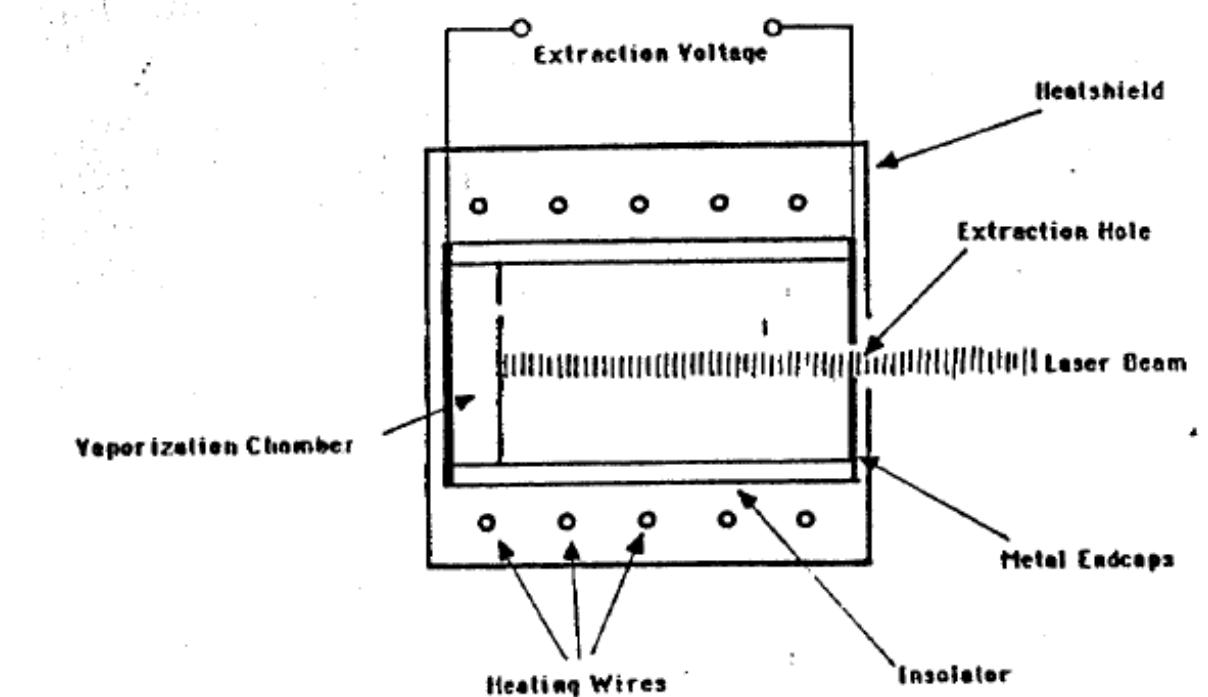


Fig. 5: General layout of the experimental set-up at the off-line separator



# History of RILIS at ISOLDE

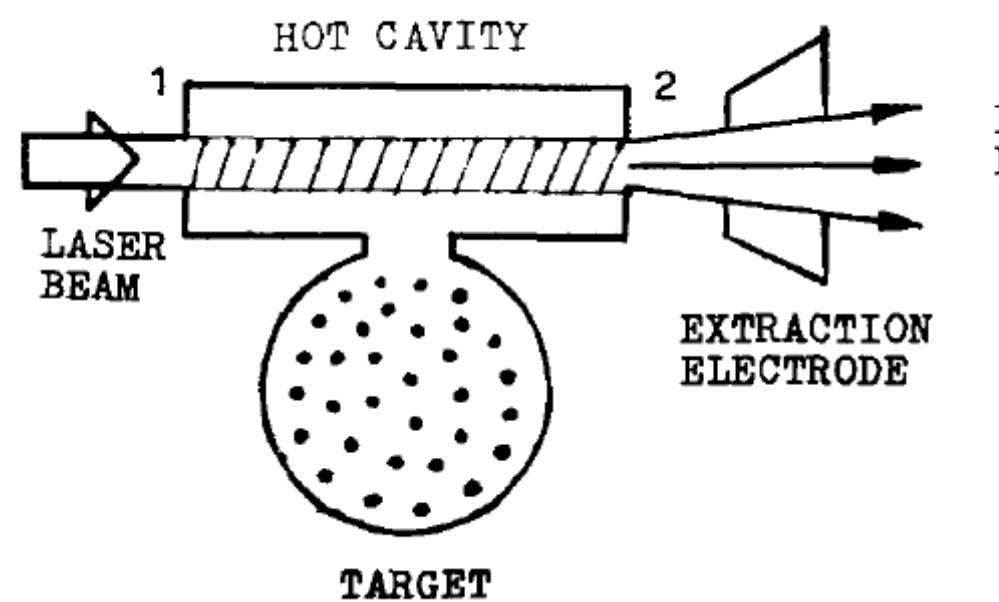
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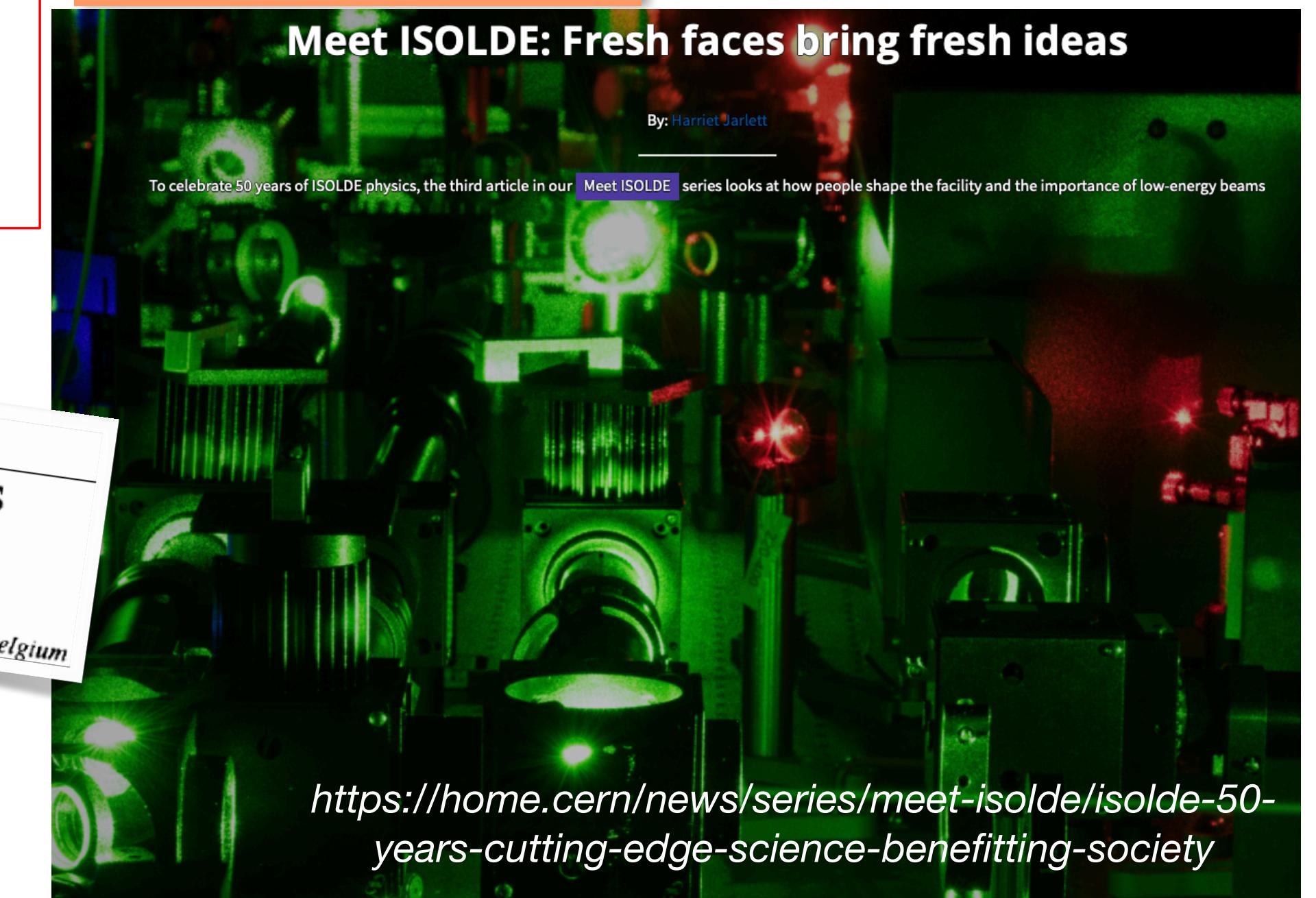
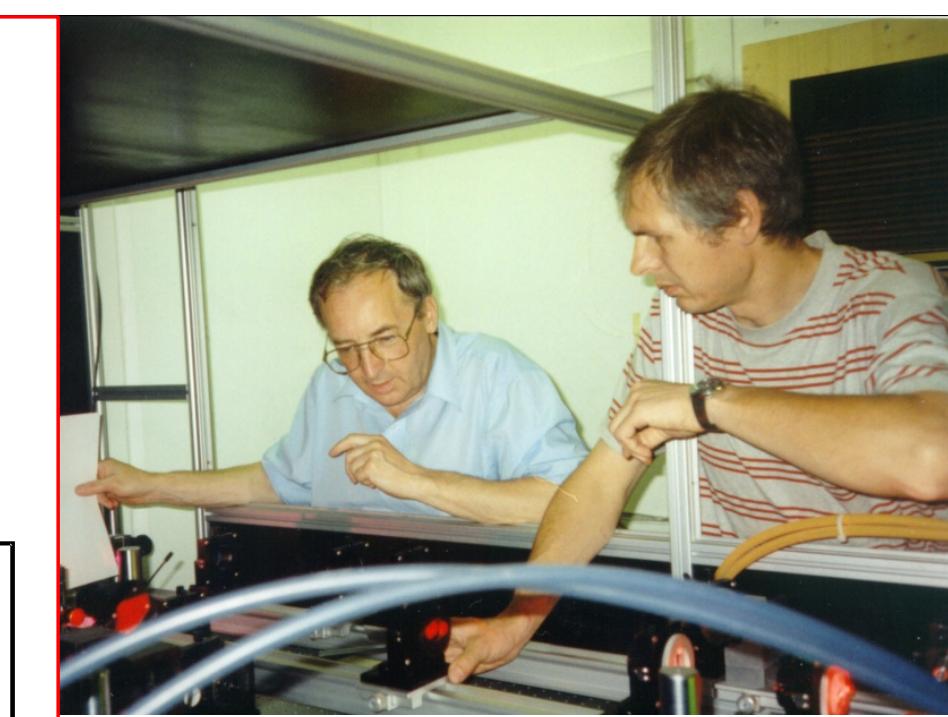
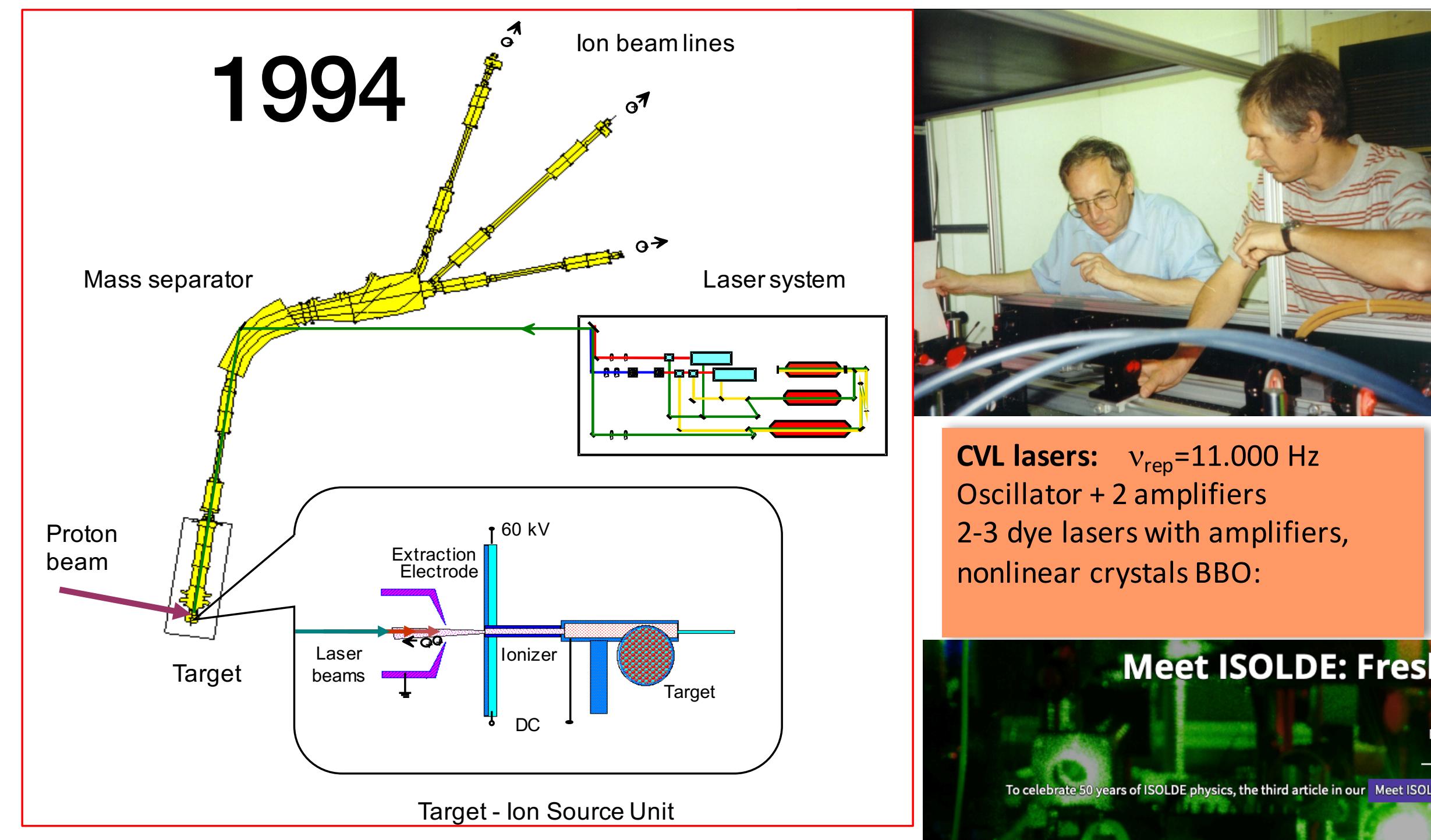
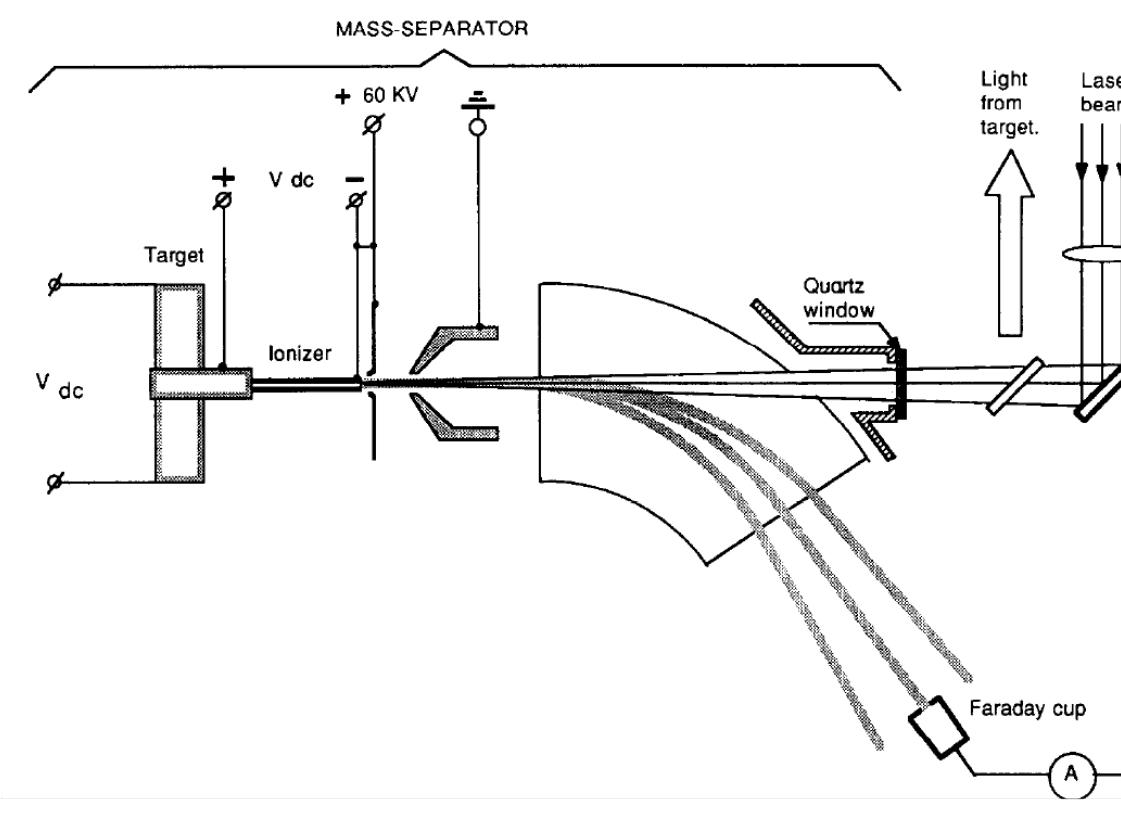
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Chemically selective laser ion-source for the CERN-ISOLDE on-line mass separator facility

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**Laser ion sources for on-line isotope separators**  
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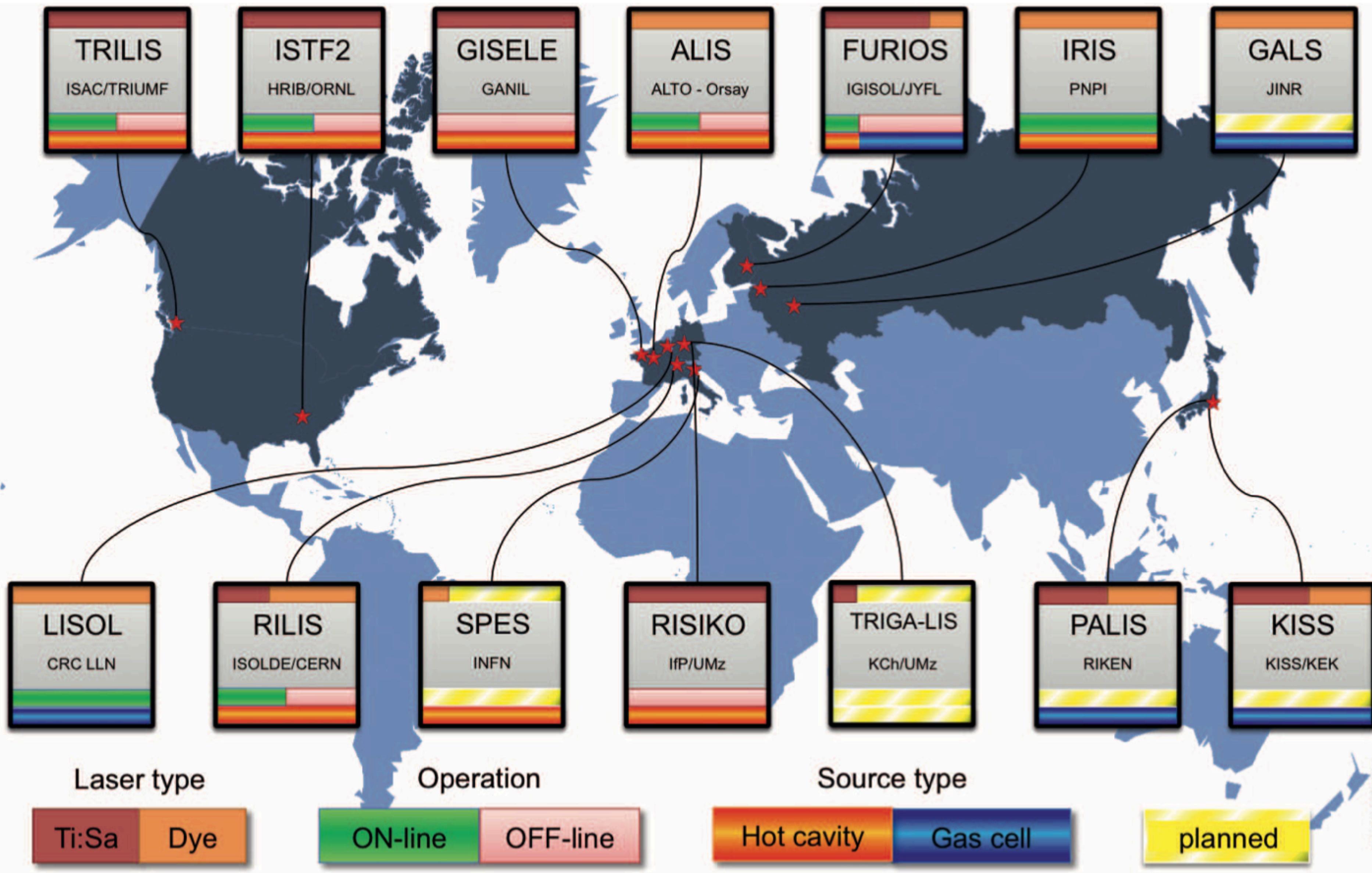
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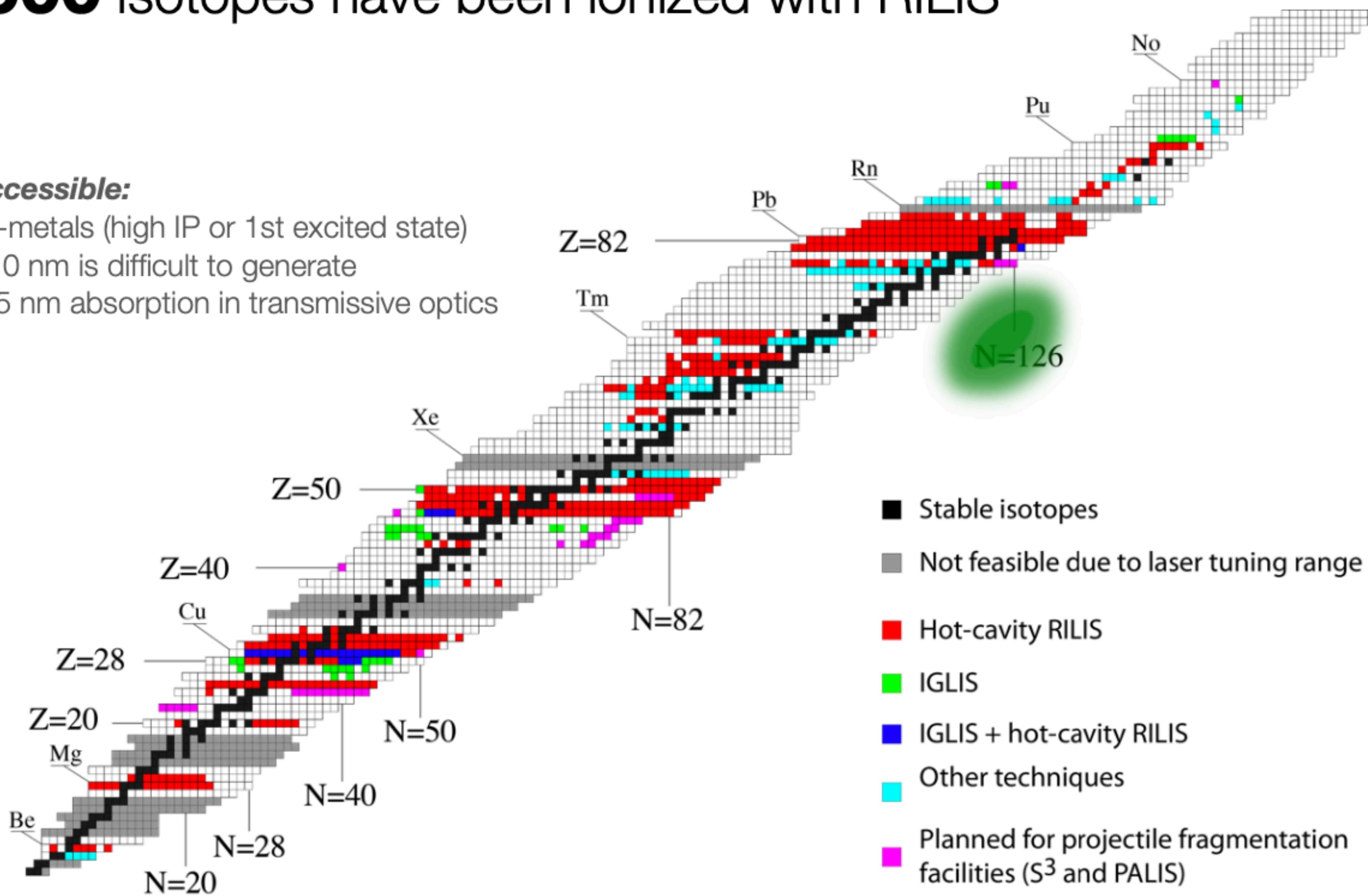
# Laser ion sources worldwide



# >600 isotopes have been ionized with RILIS

## Inaccessible:

Non-metals (high IP or 1st excited state)  
< 210 nm is difficult to generate  
<205 nm absorption in transmissive optics



*Now for some atomic physics  
fundamentals..*

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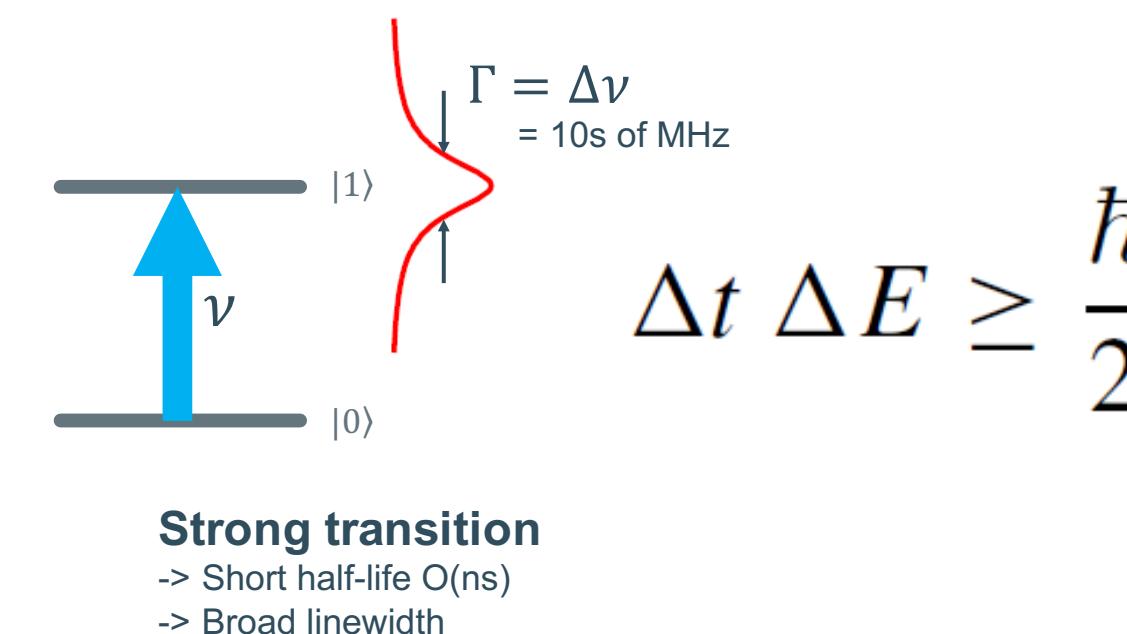
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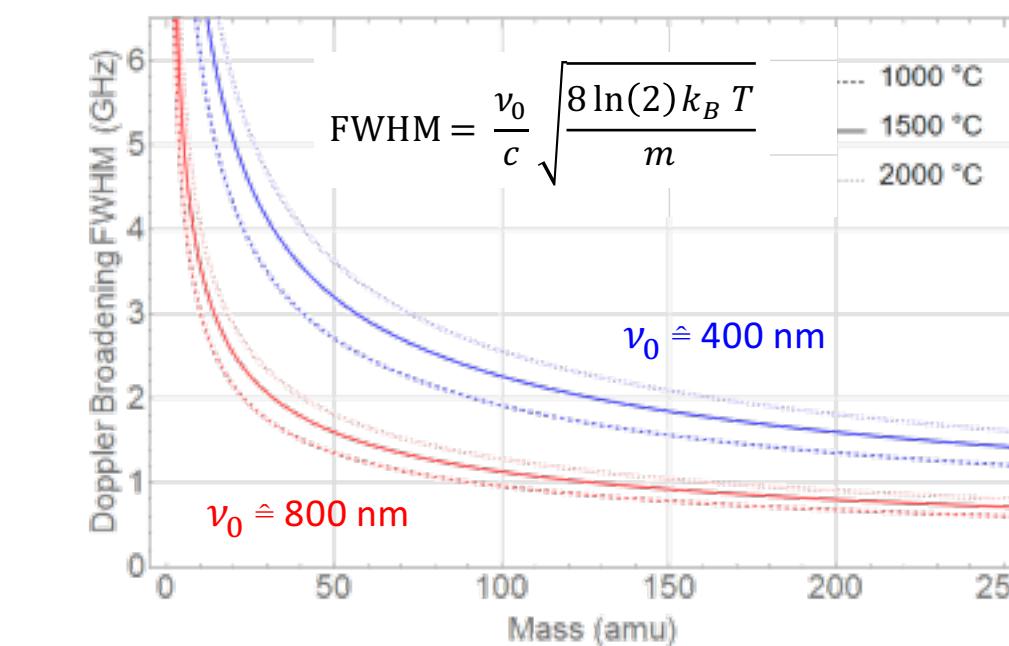
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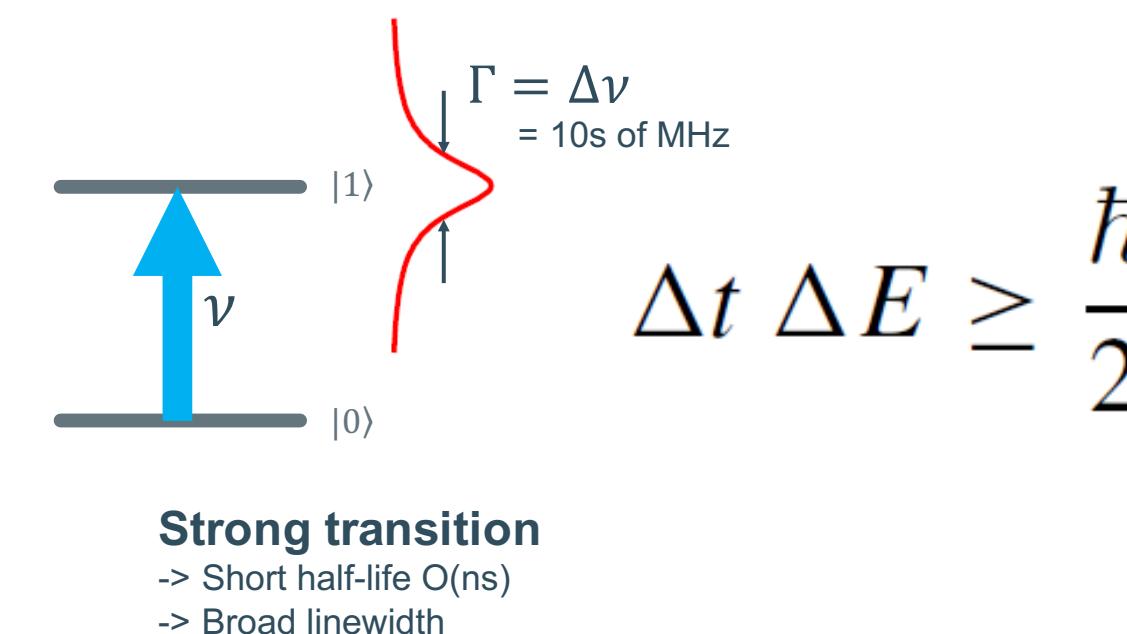
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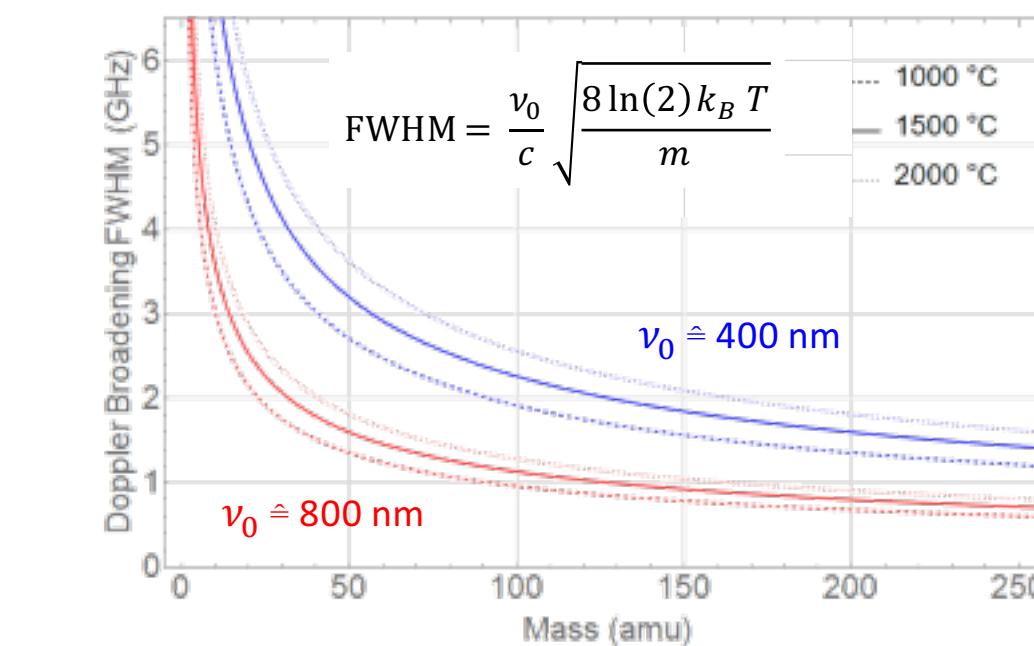
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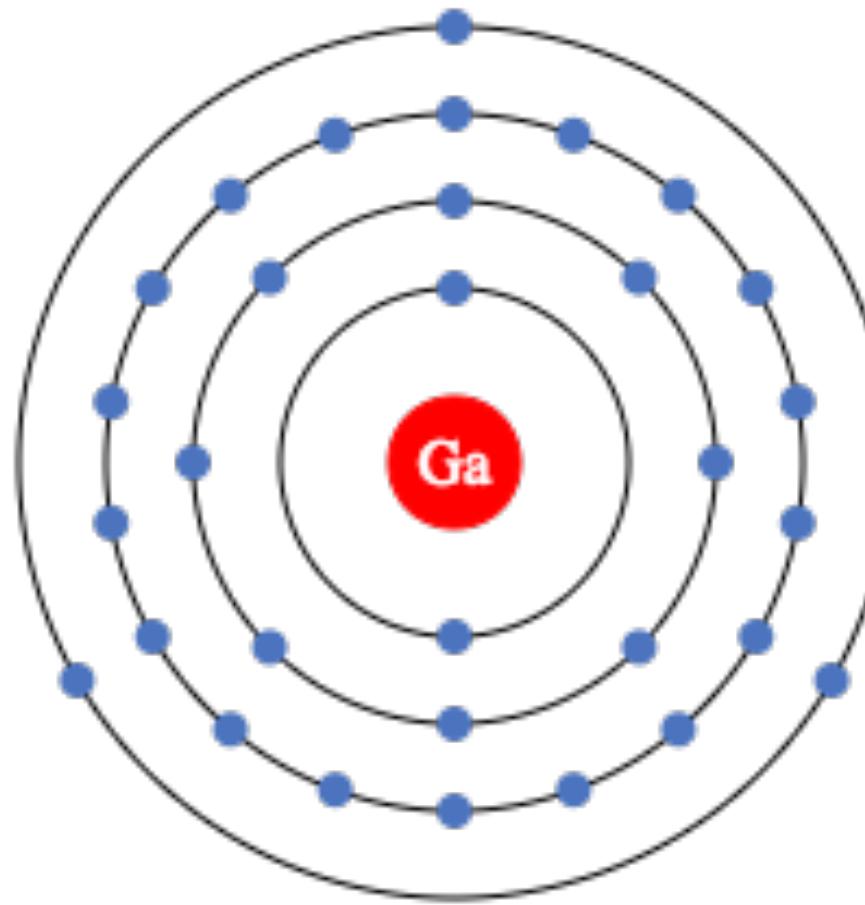
Light travels  $\sim 1\text{m}$  in 3 ns



Lifetime of a strong atomic transition = 10 ns

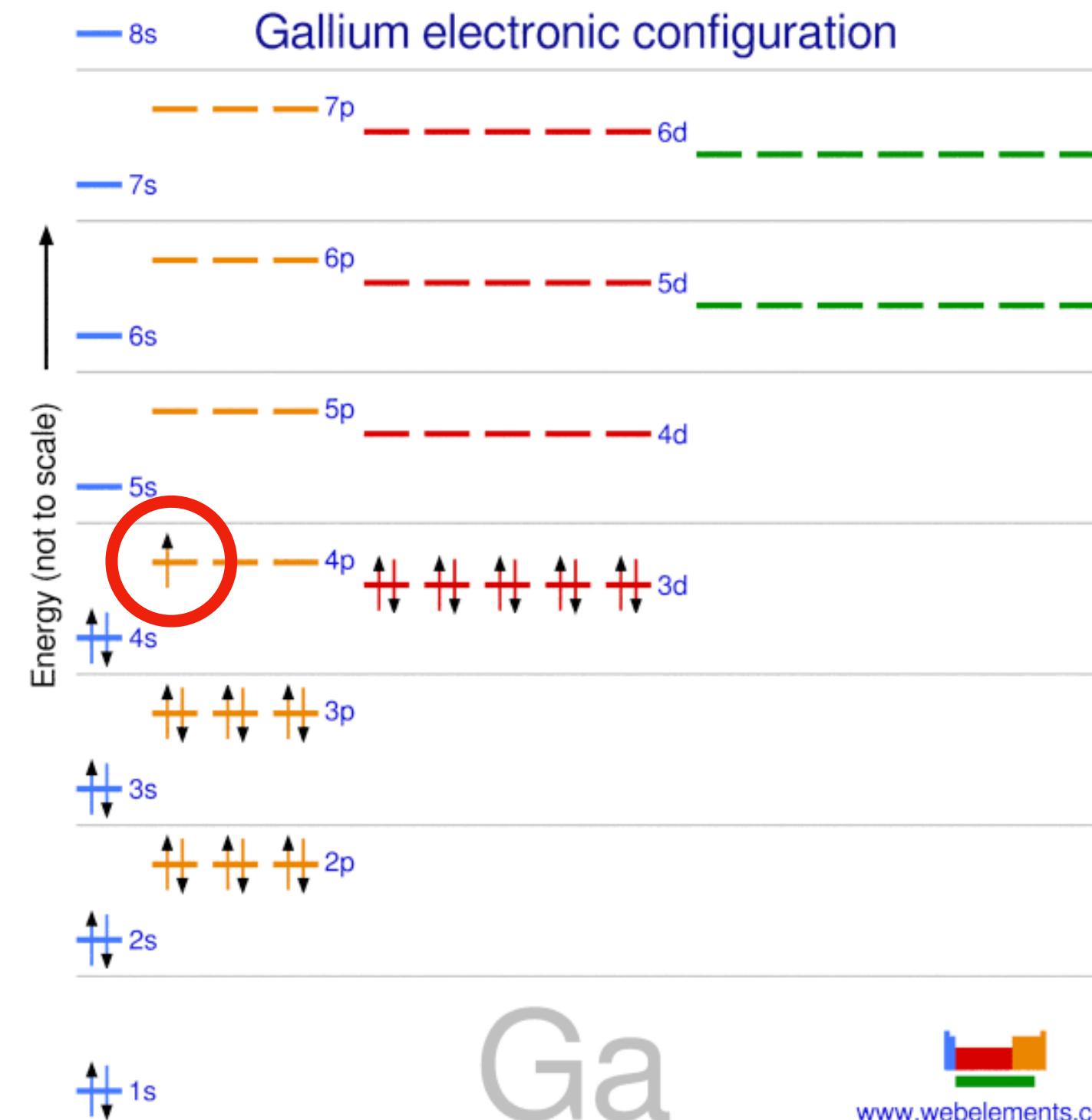
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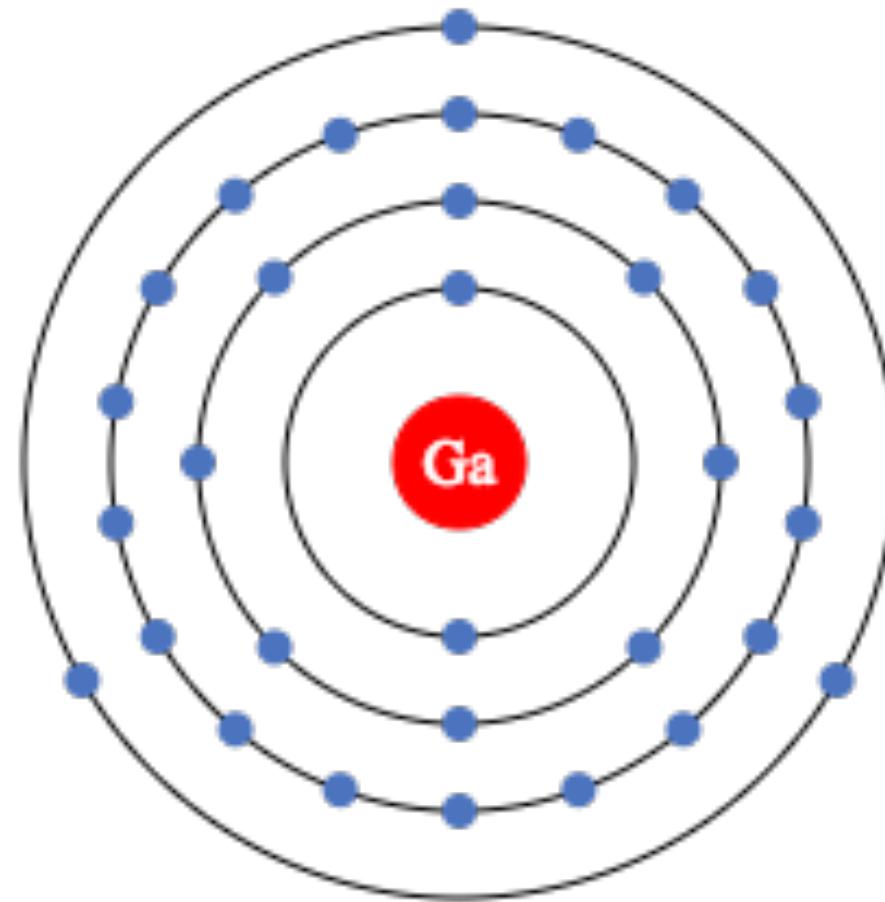
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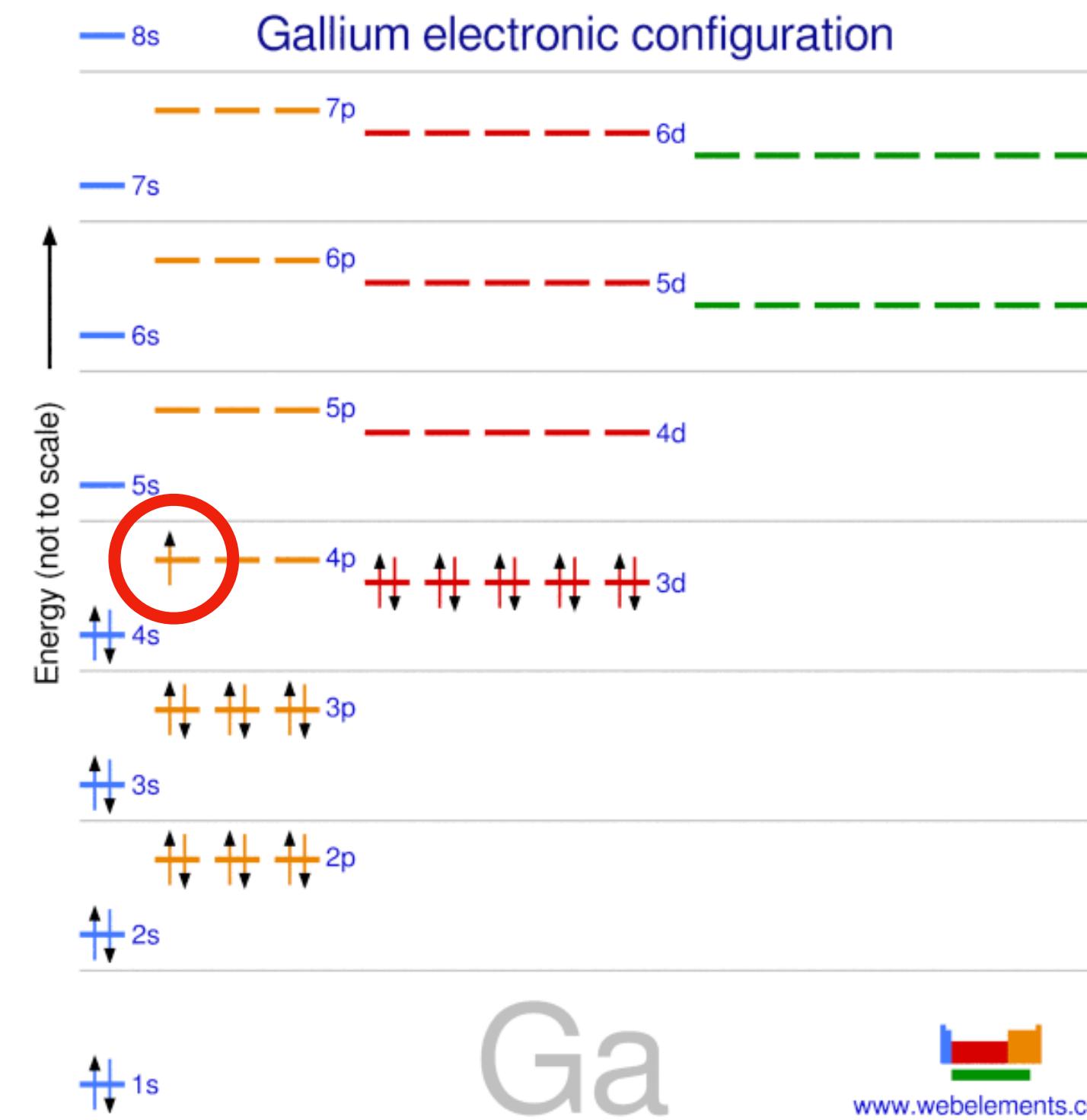
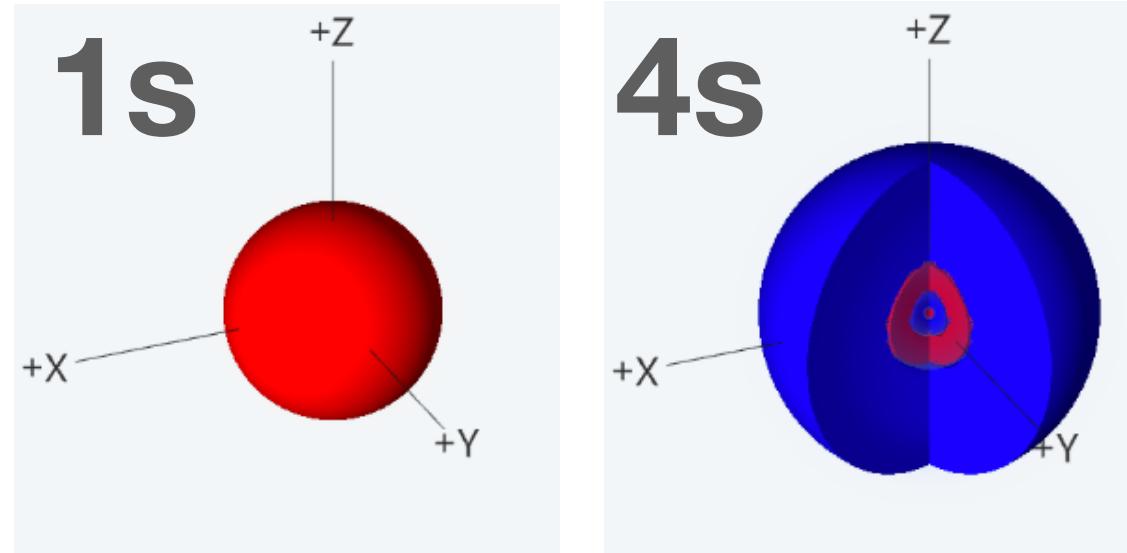
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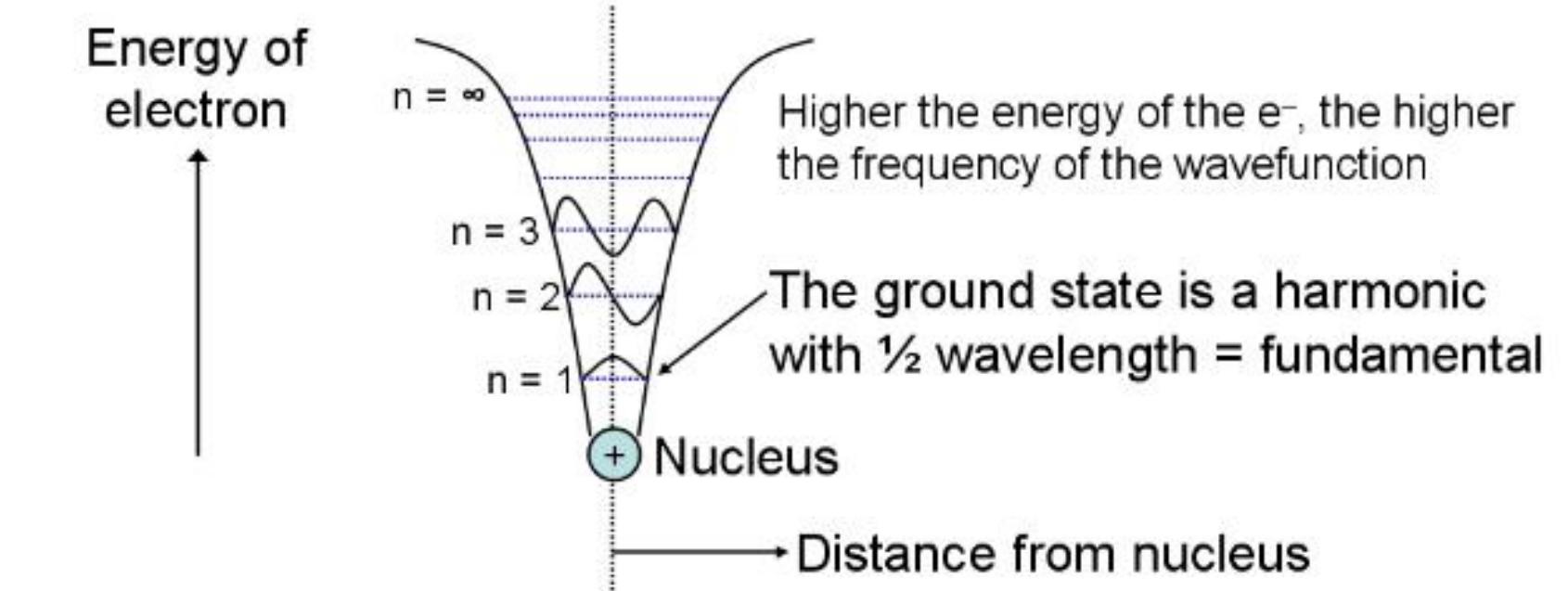


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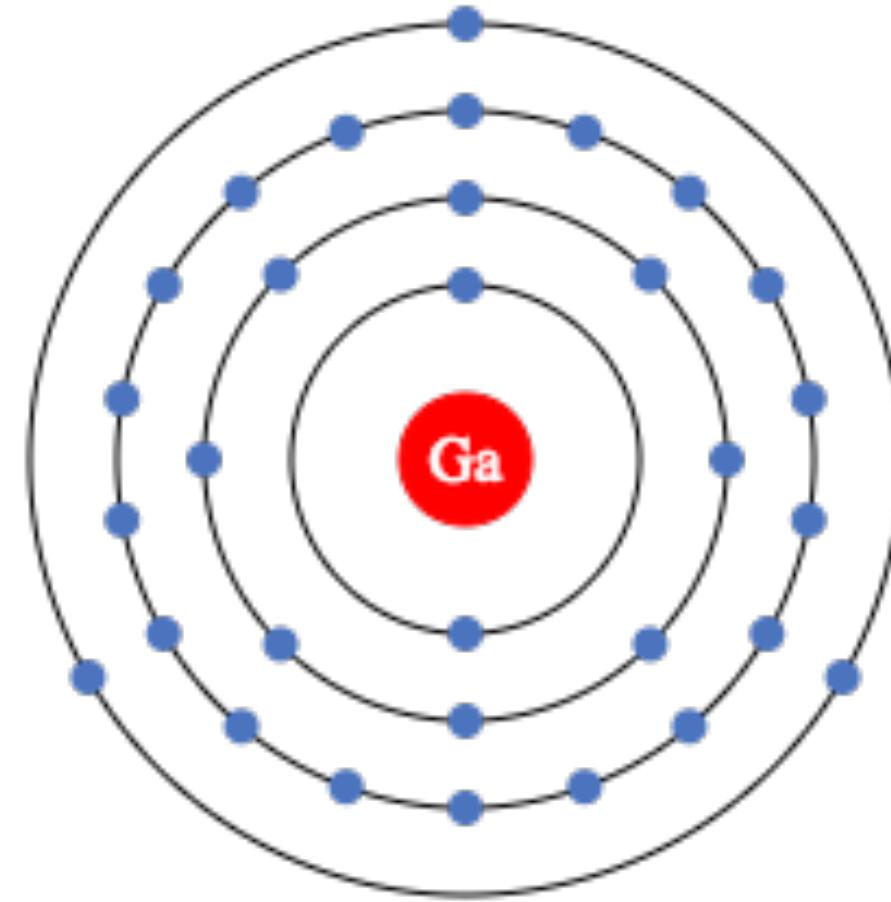
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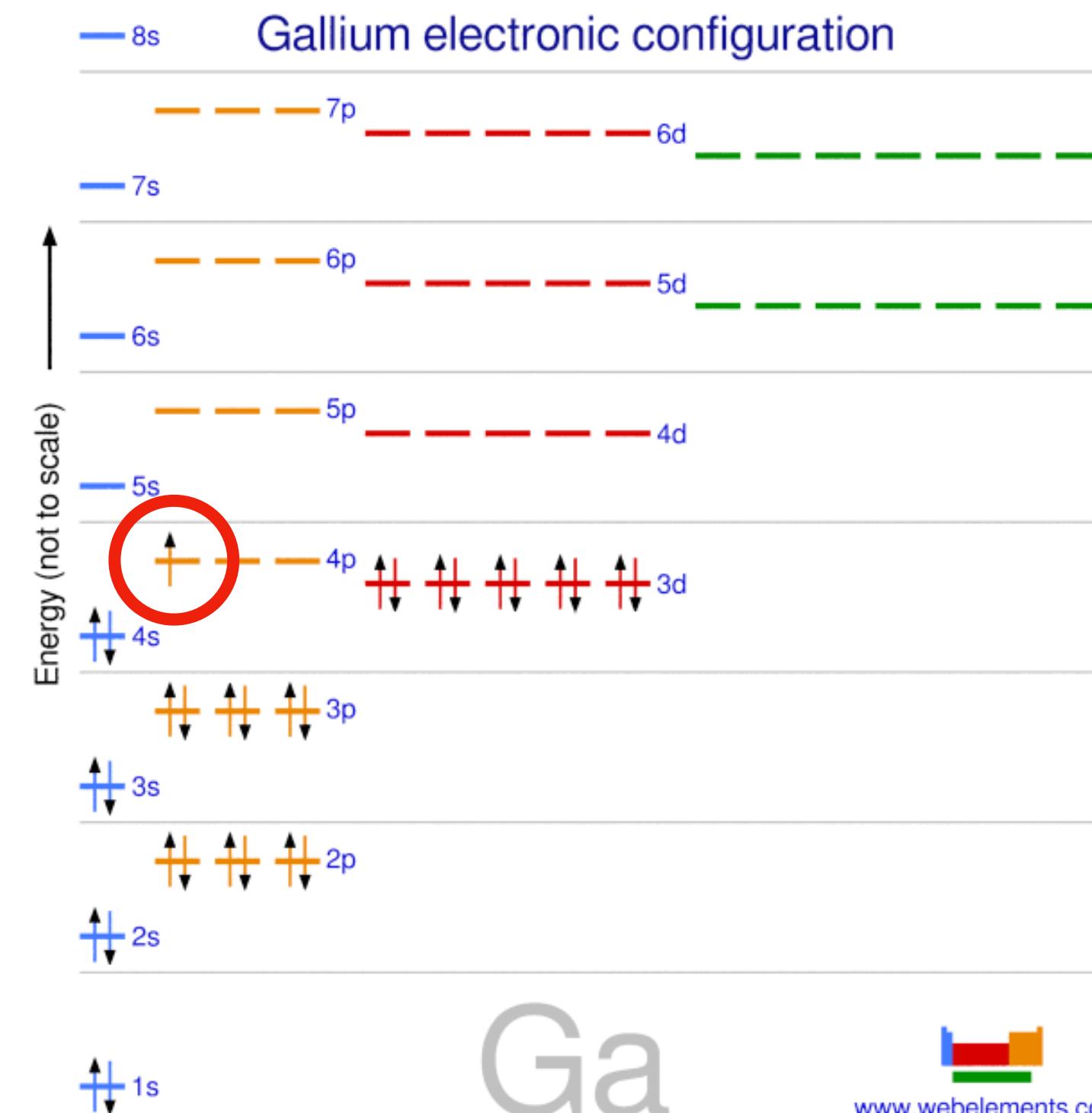
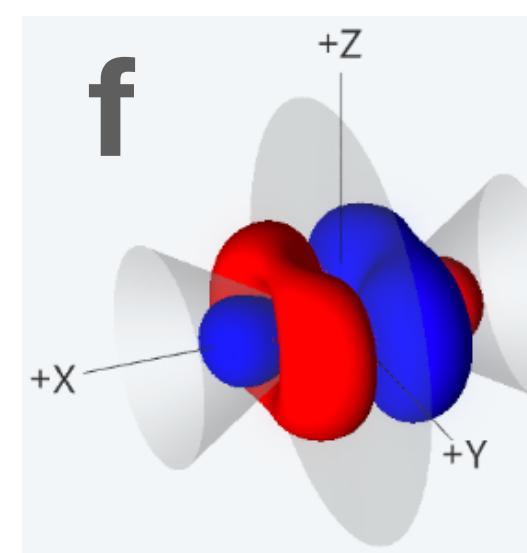
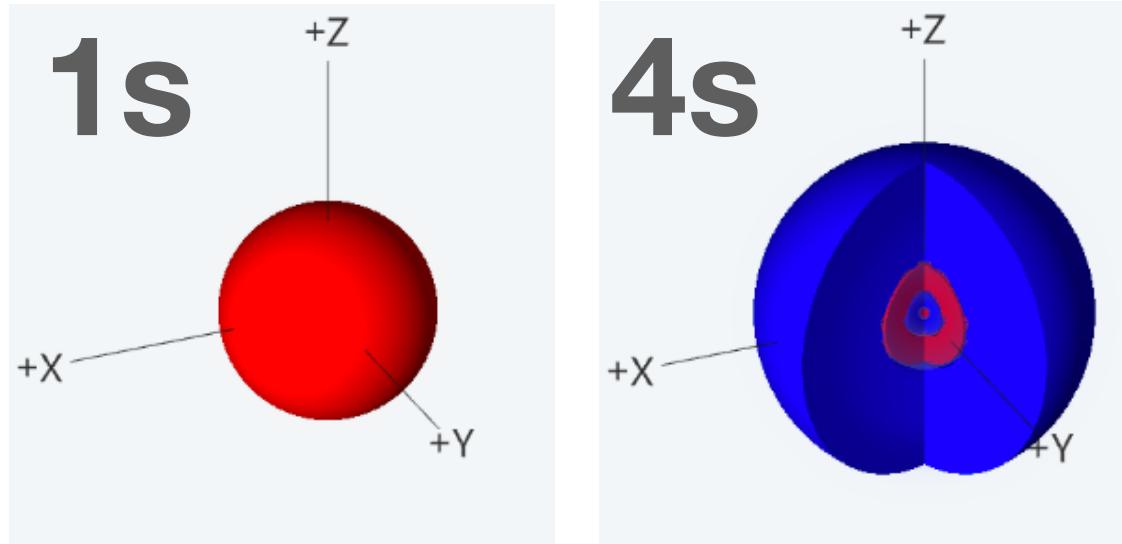
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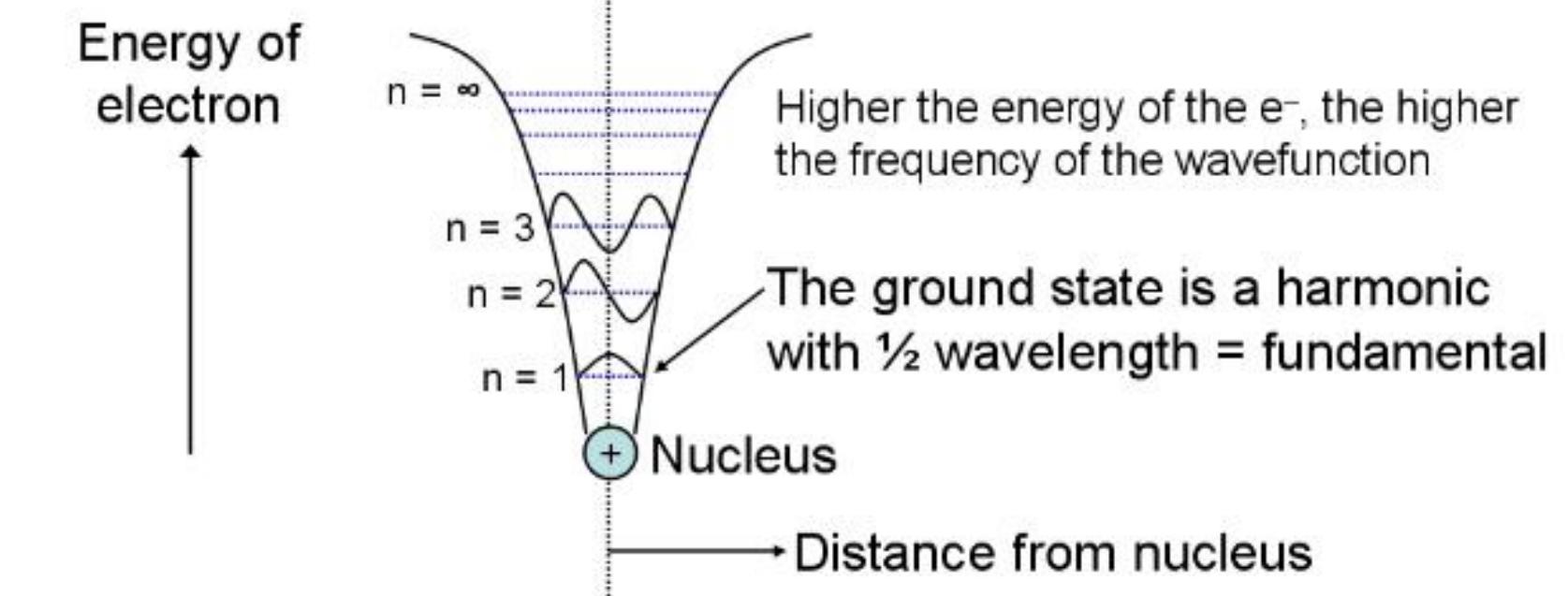
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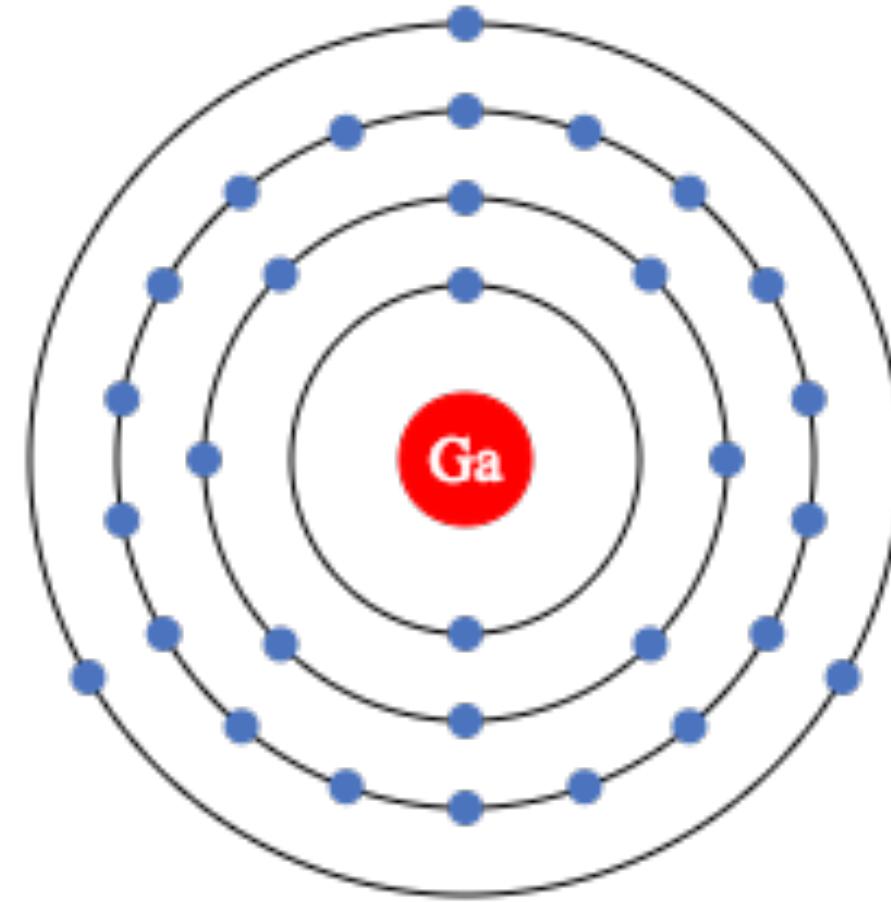


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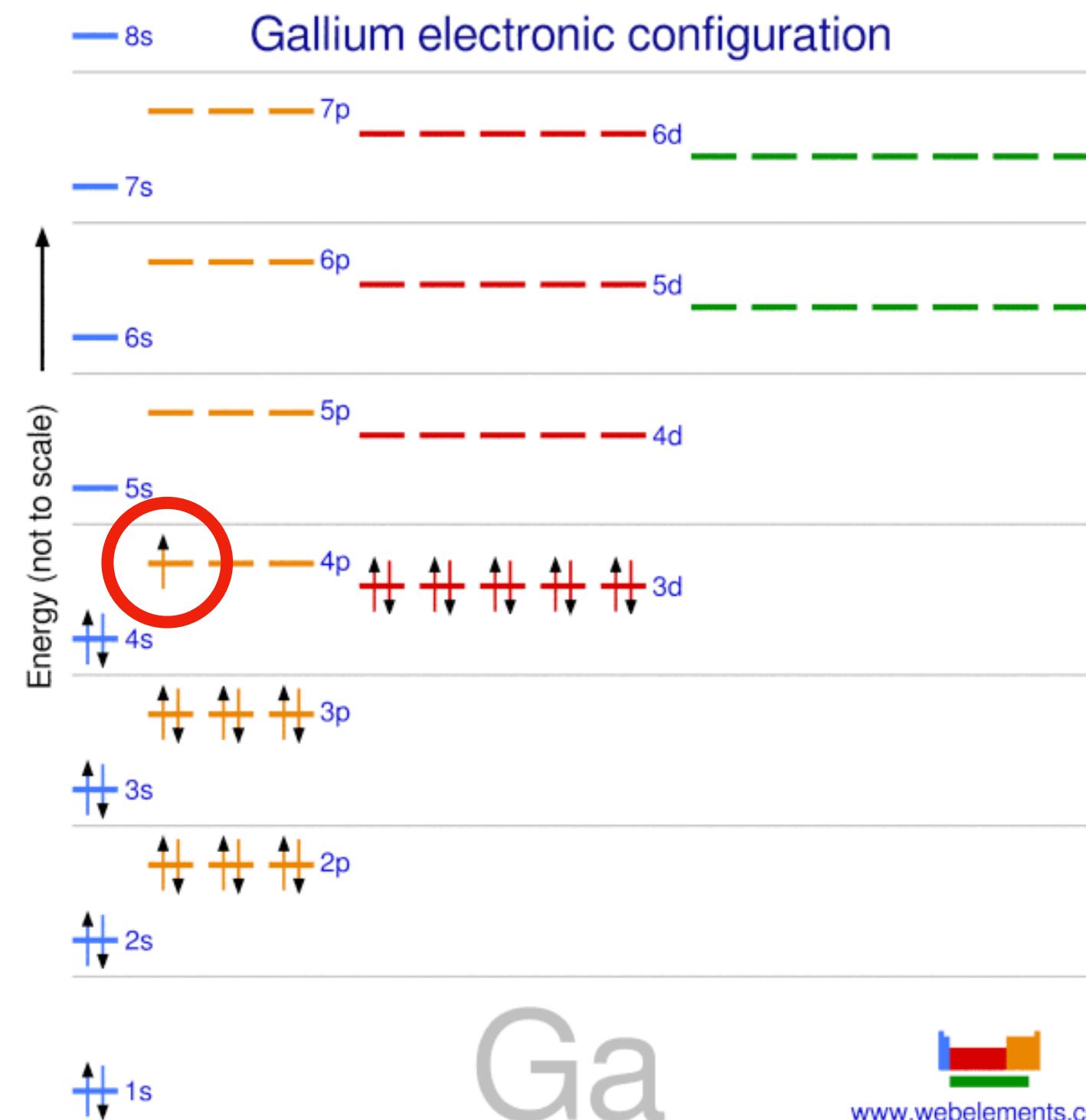
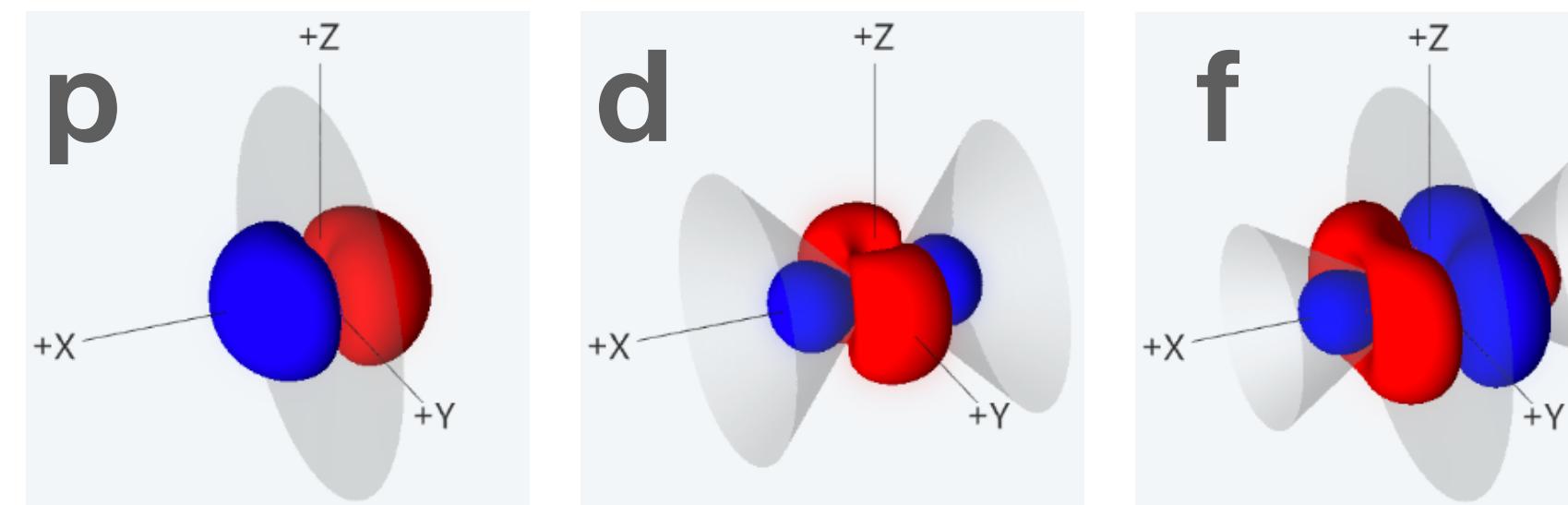
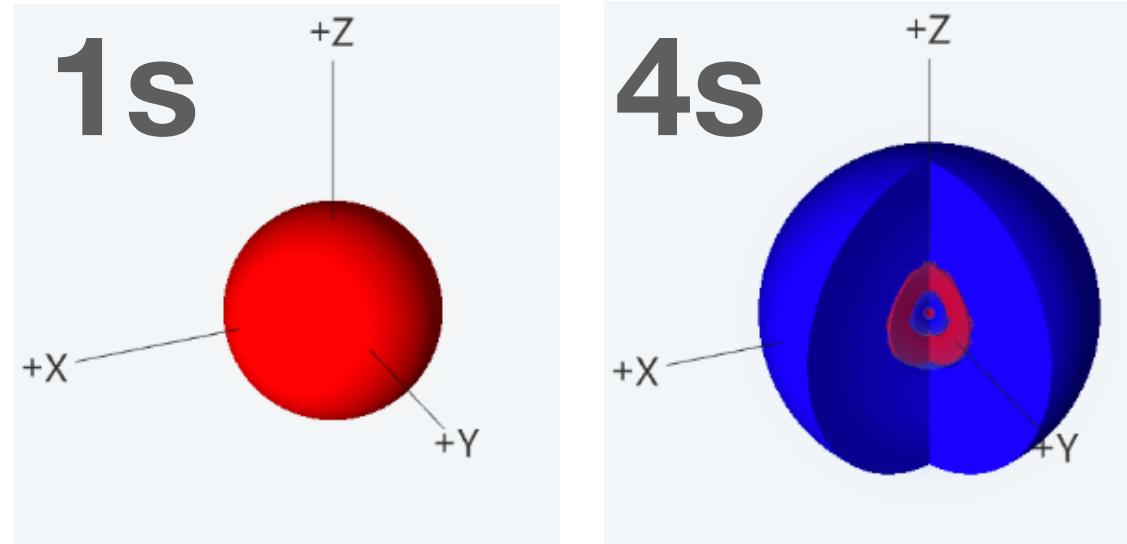
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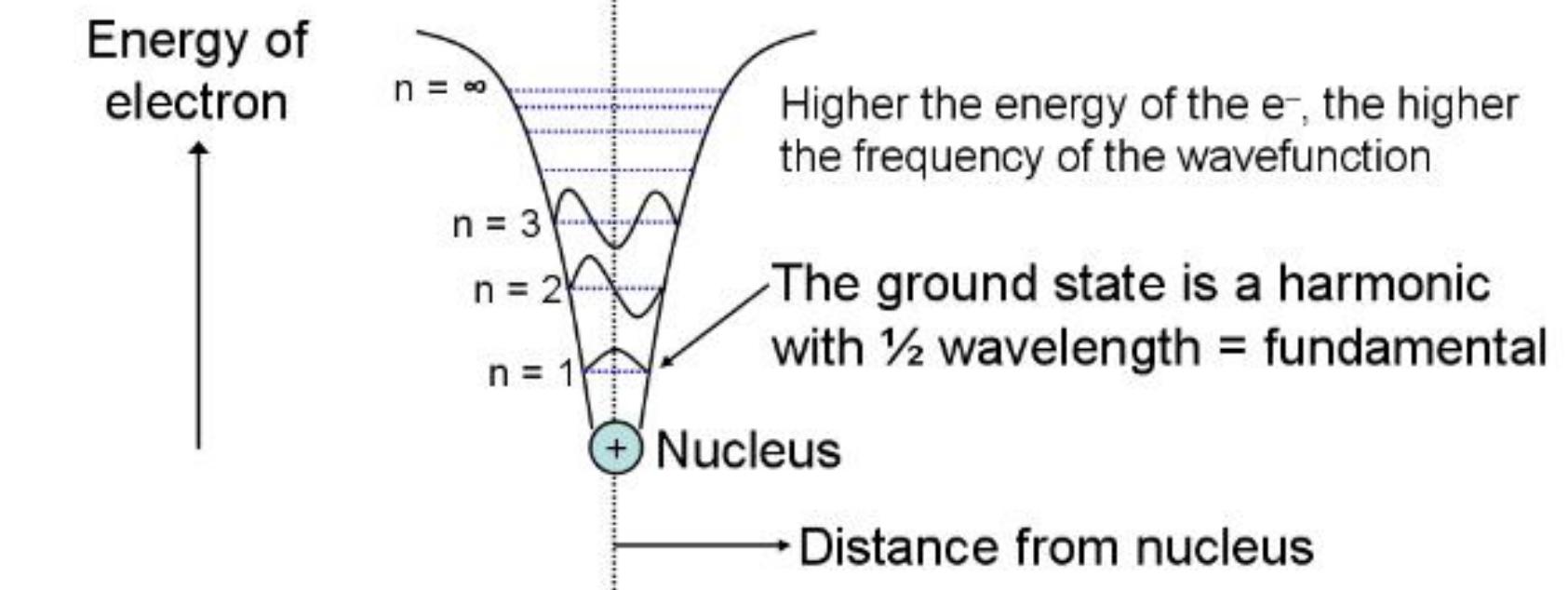


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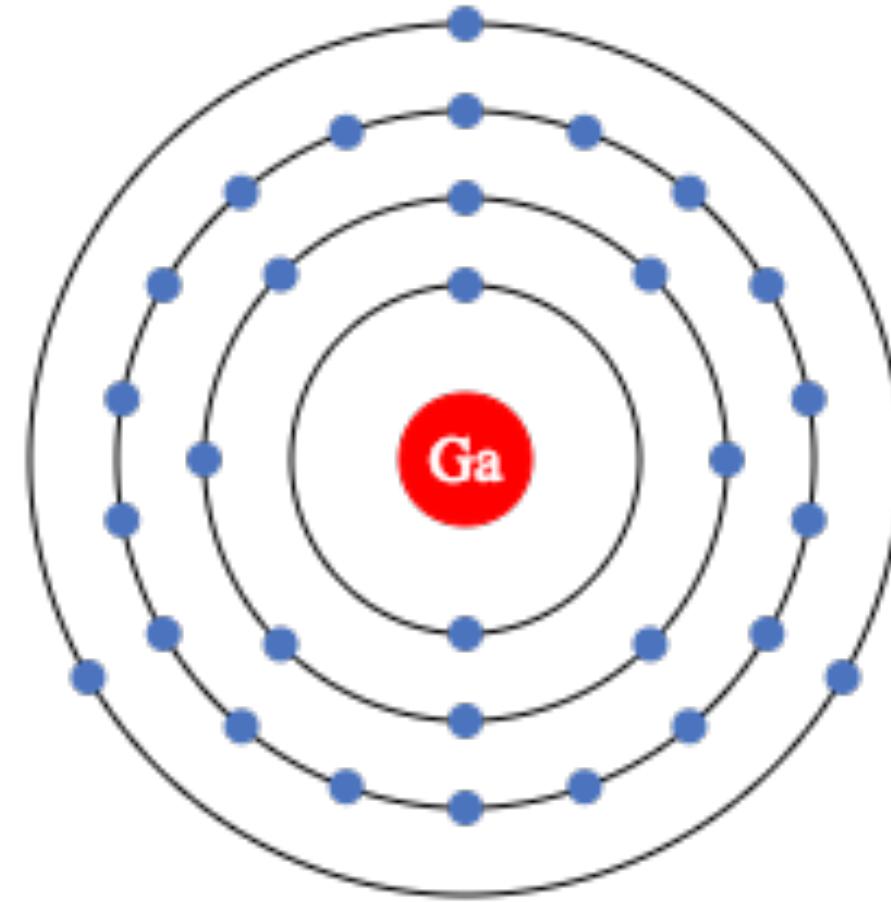
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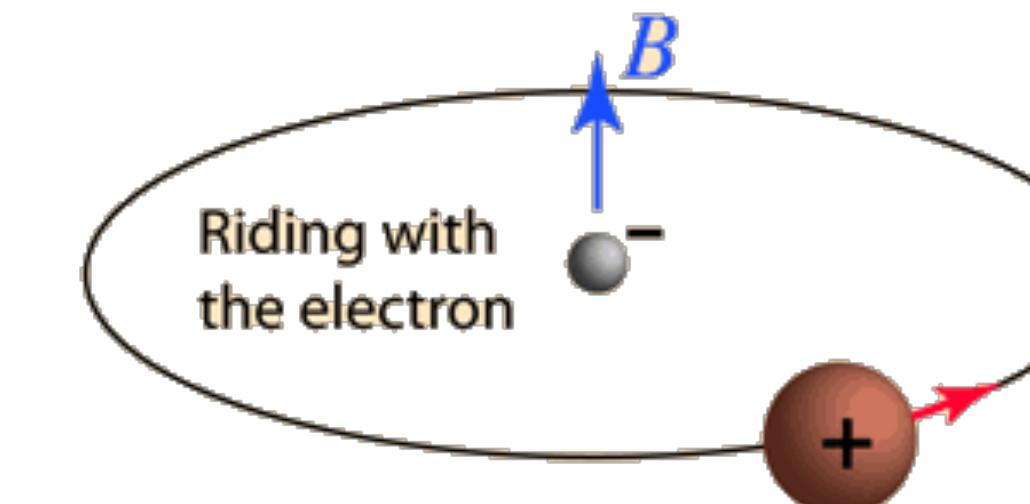
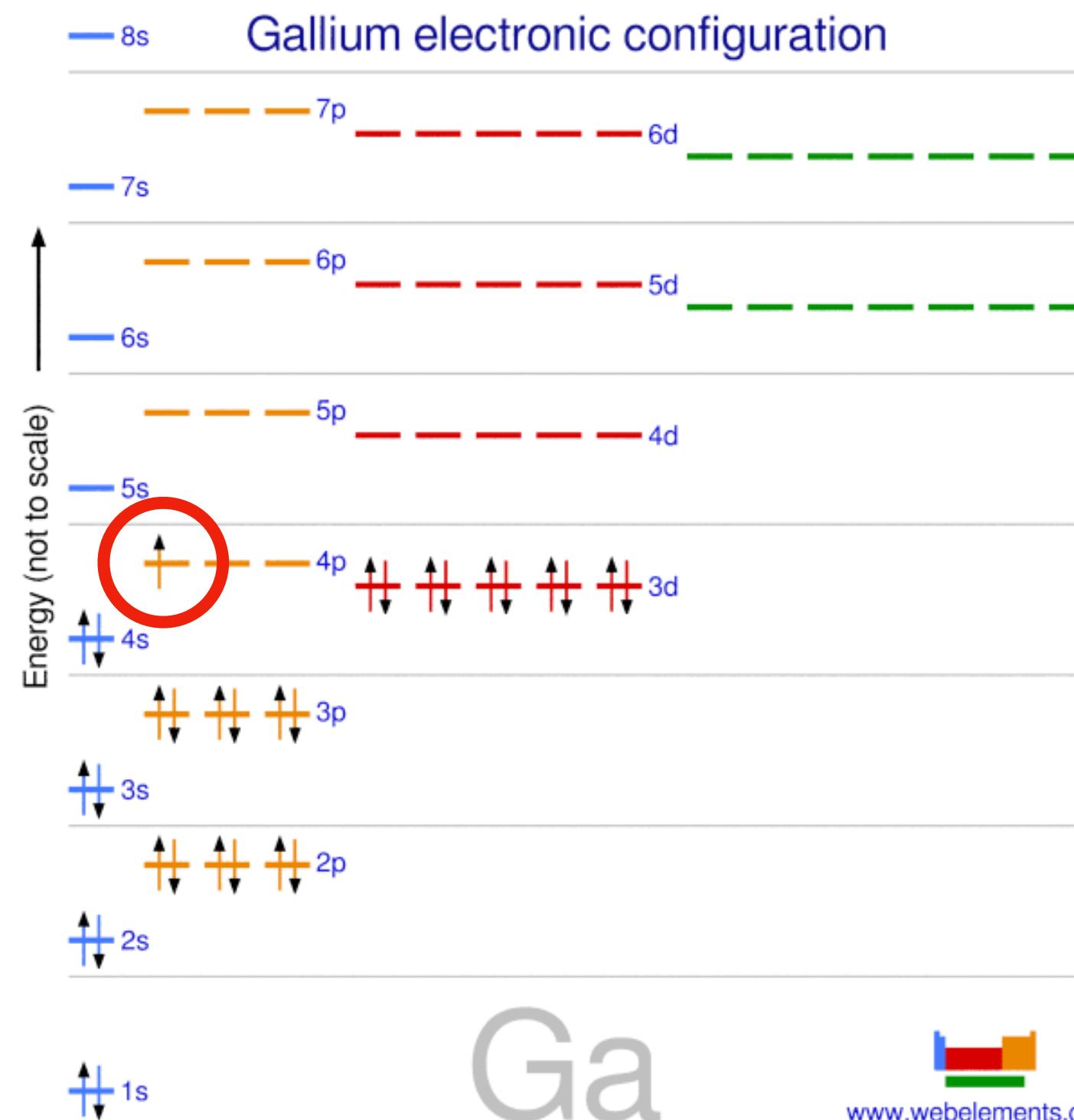
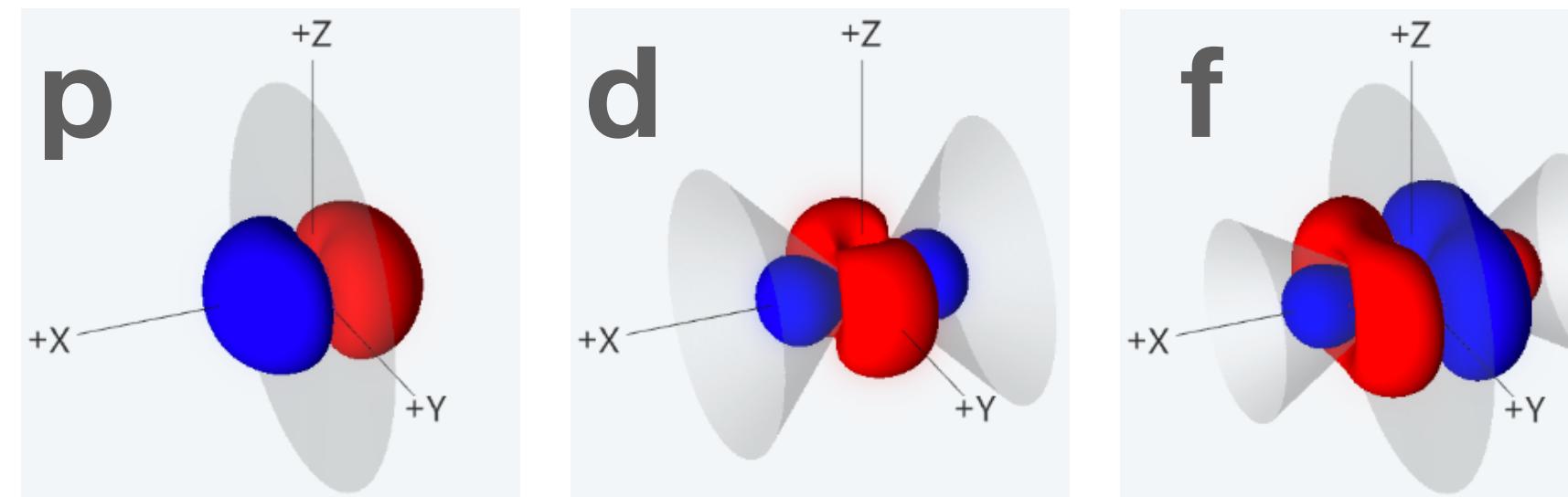
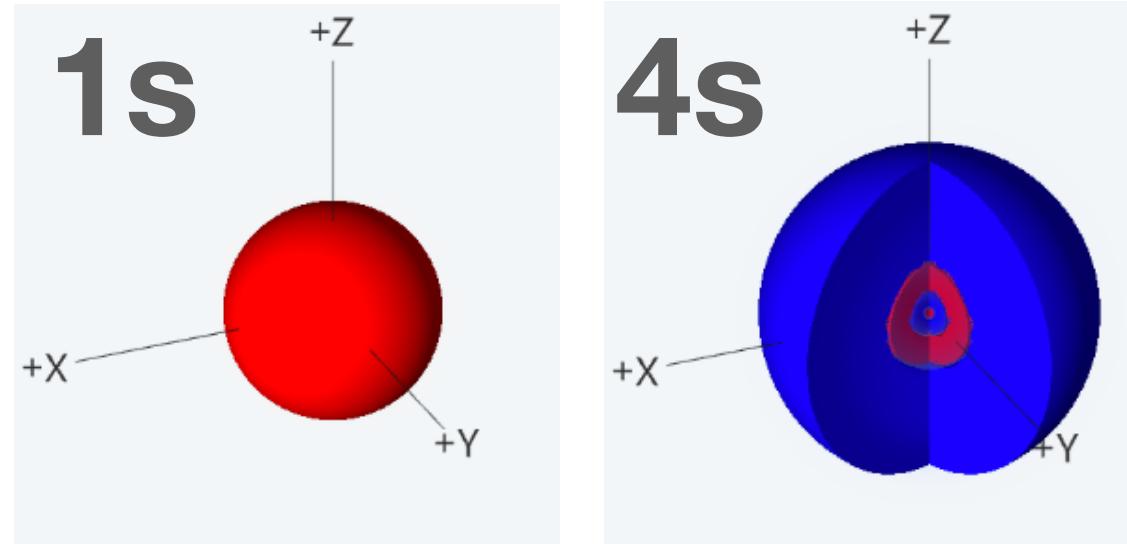
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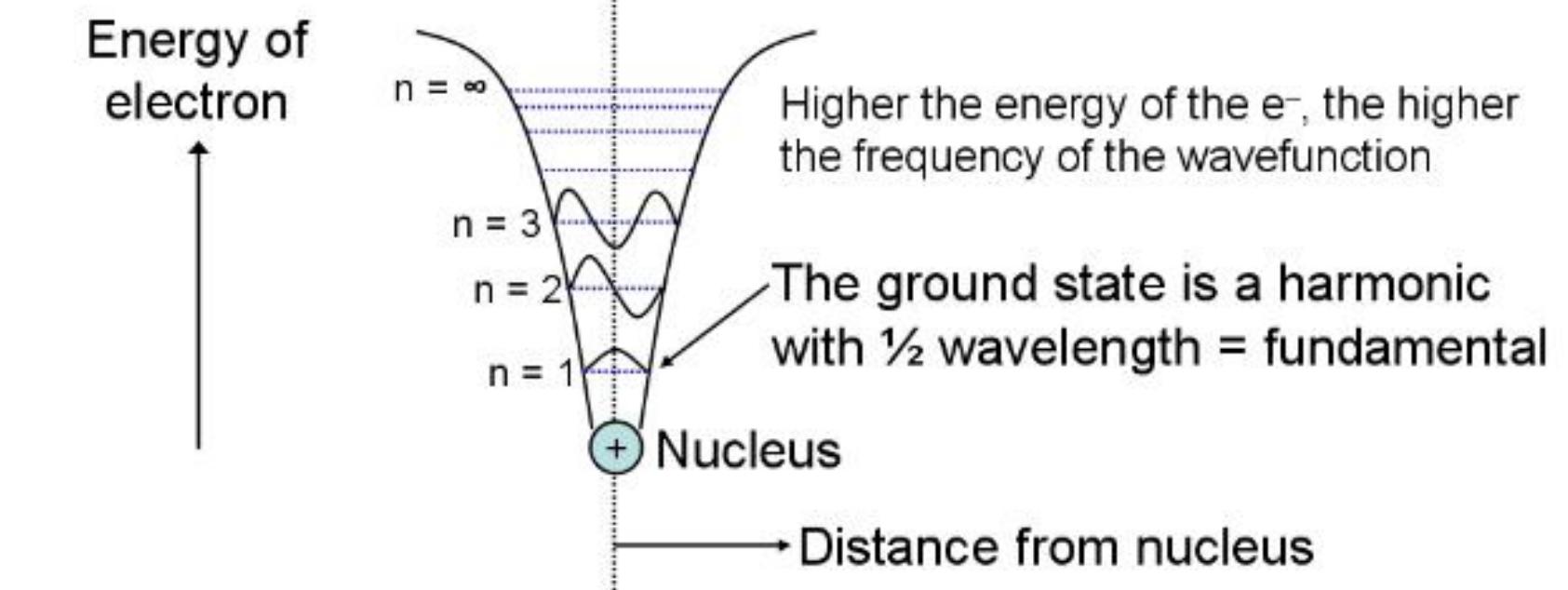


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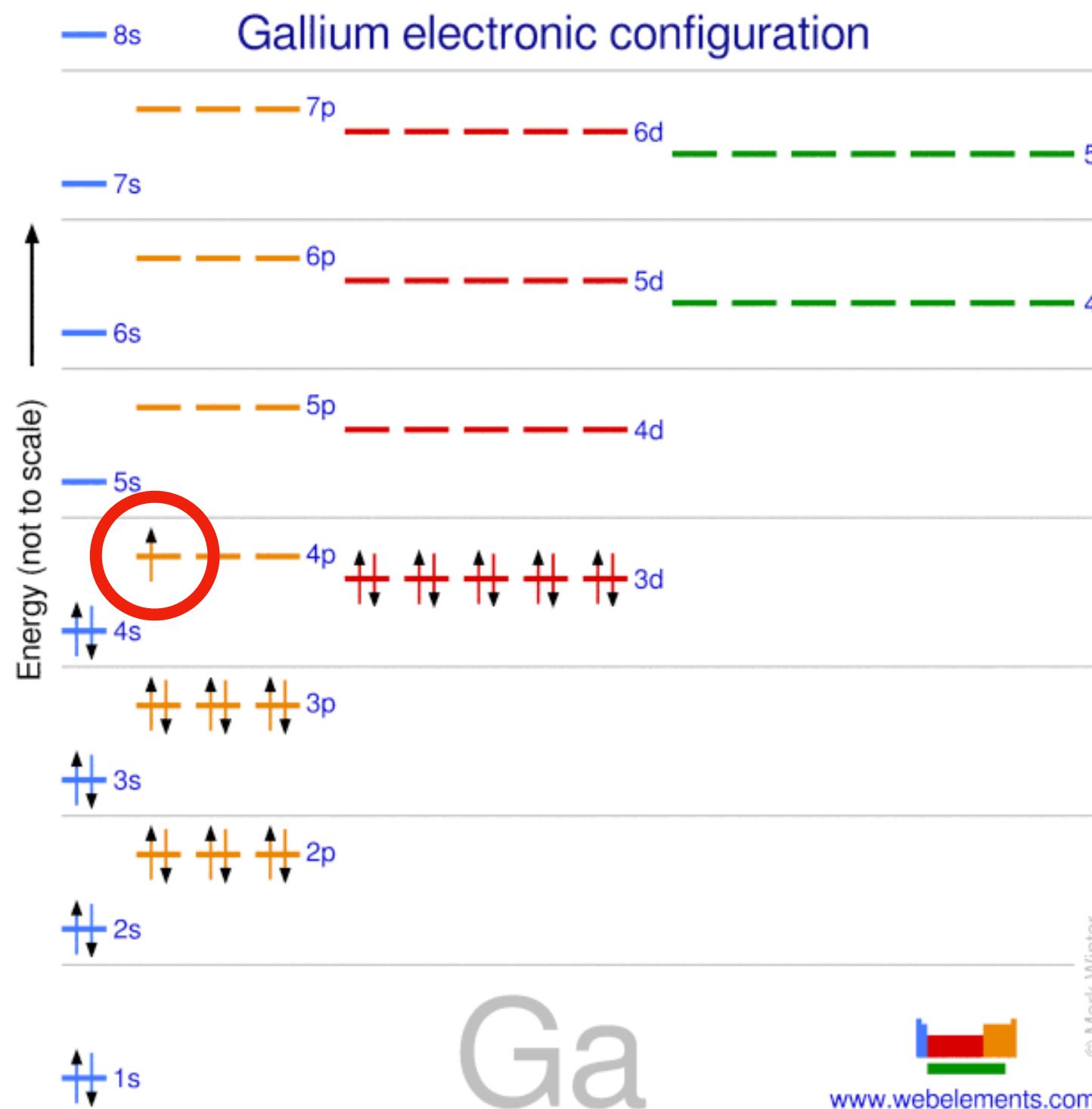
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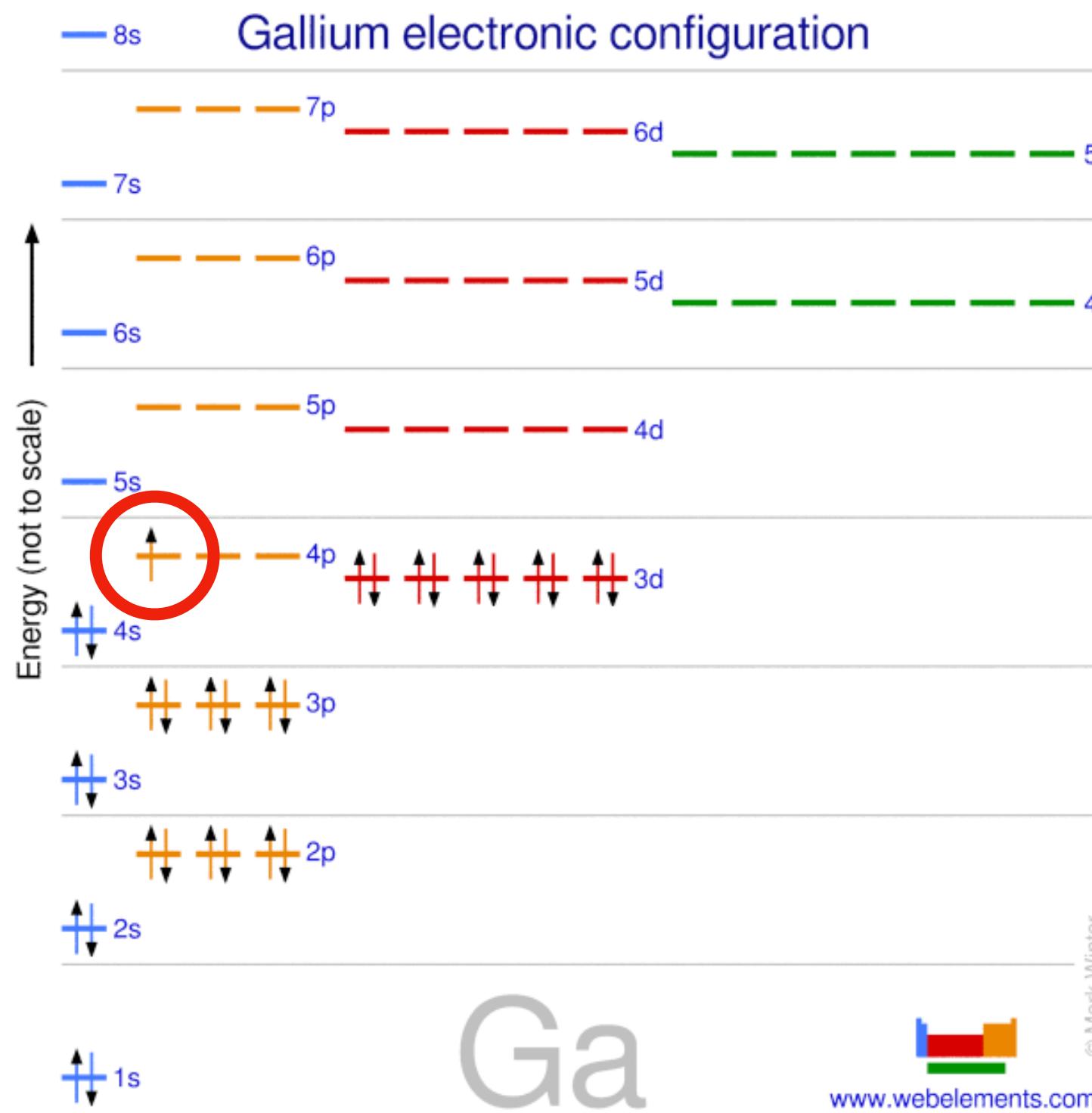
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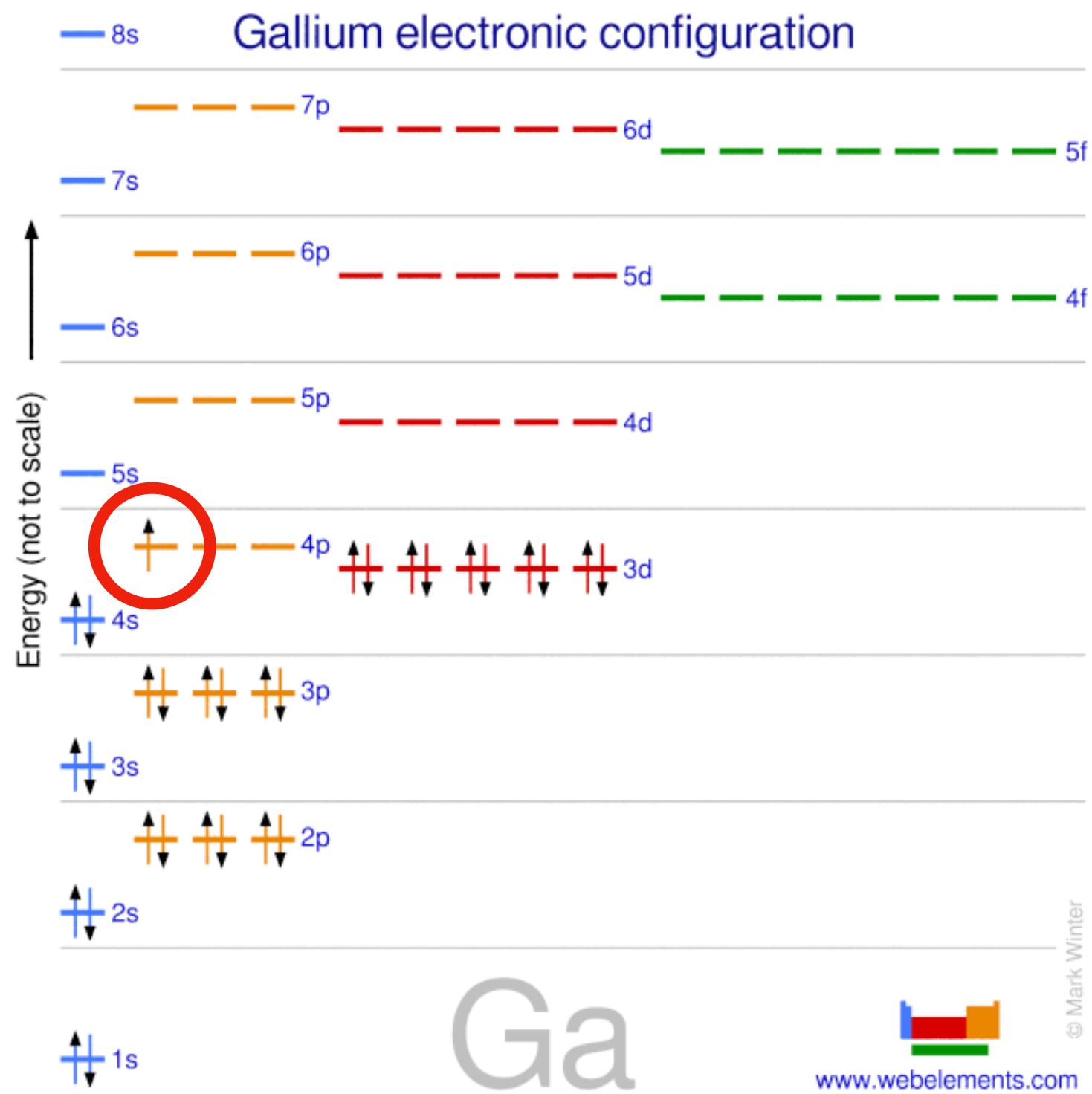
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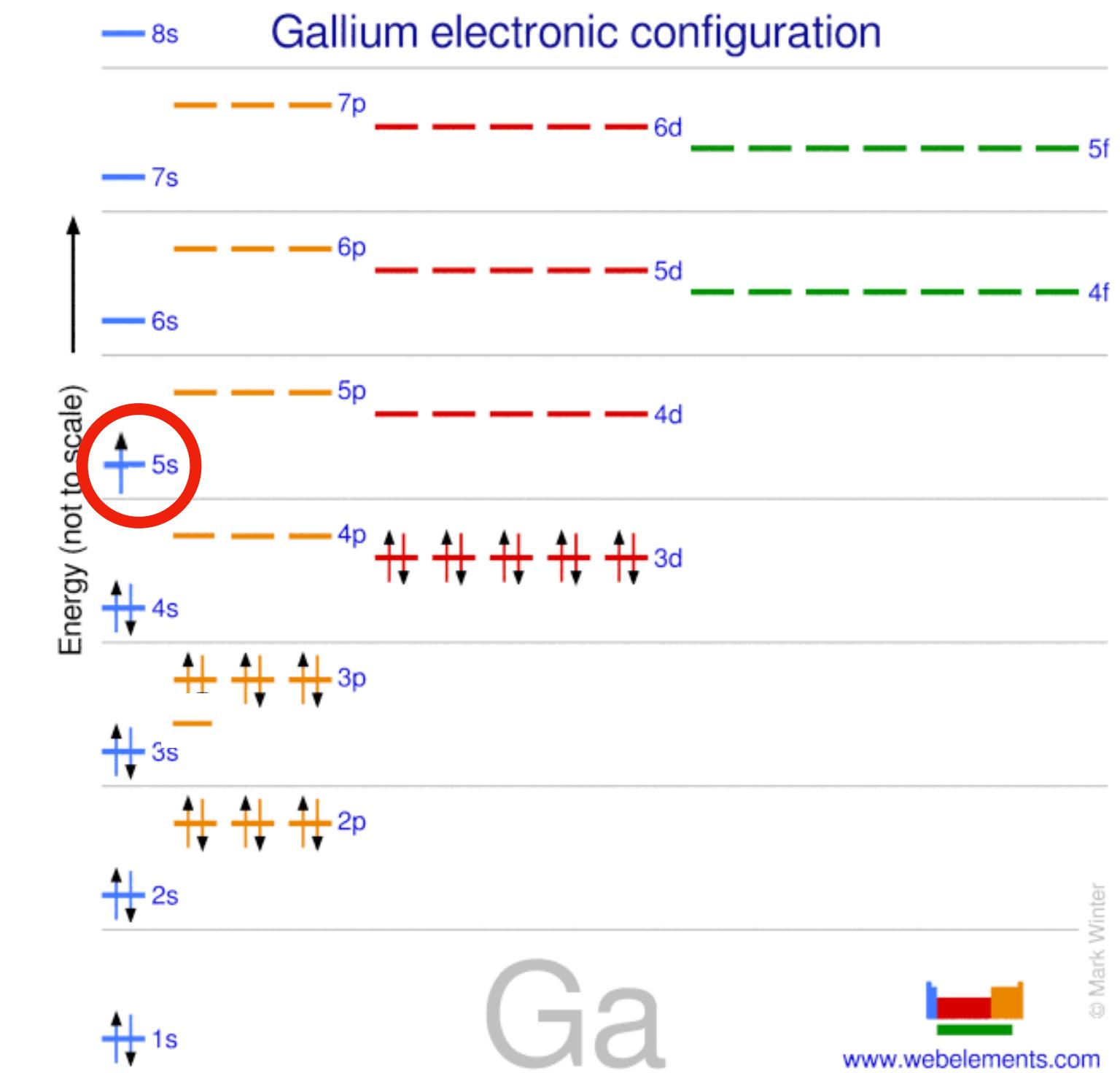
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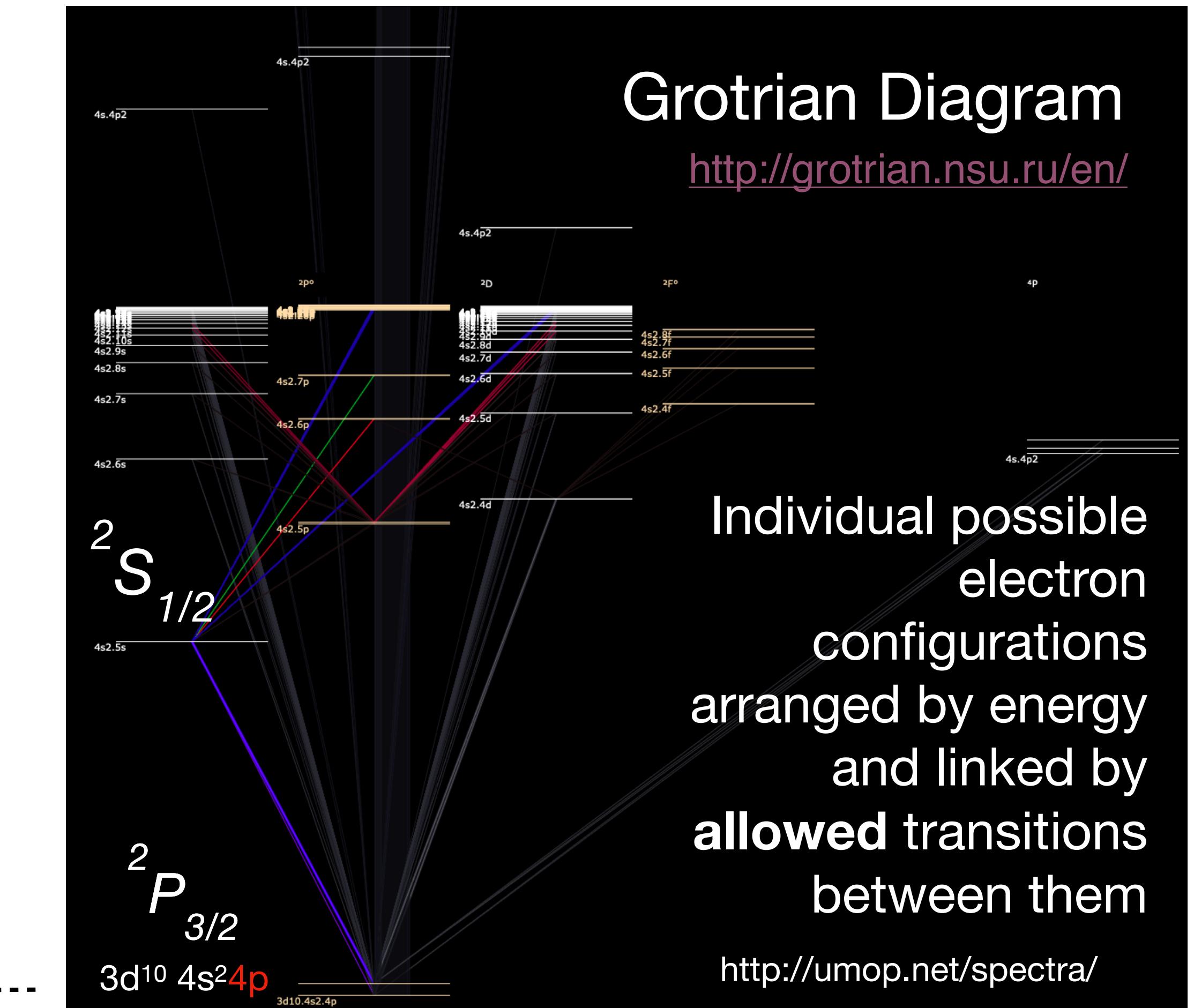
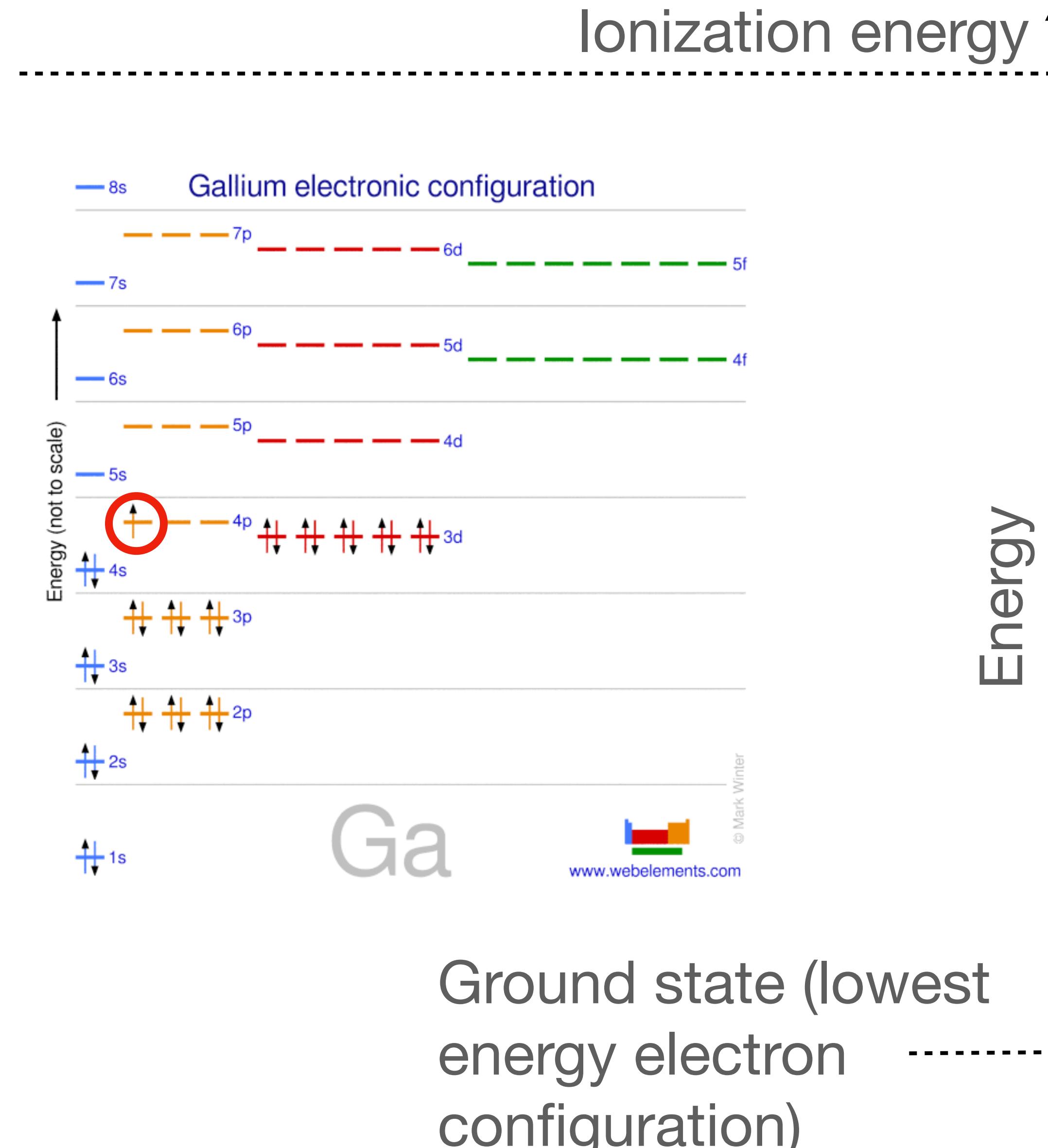


First excited state = 3.07 eV

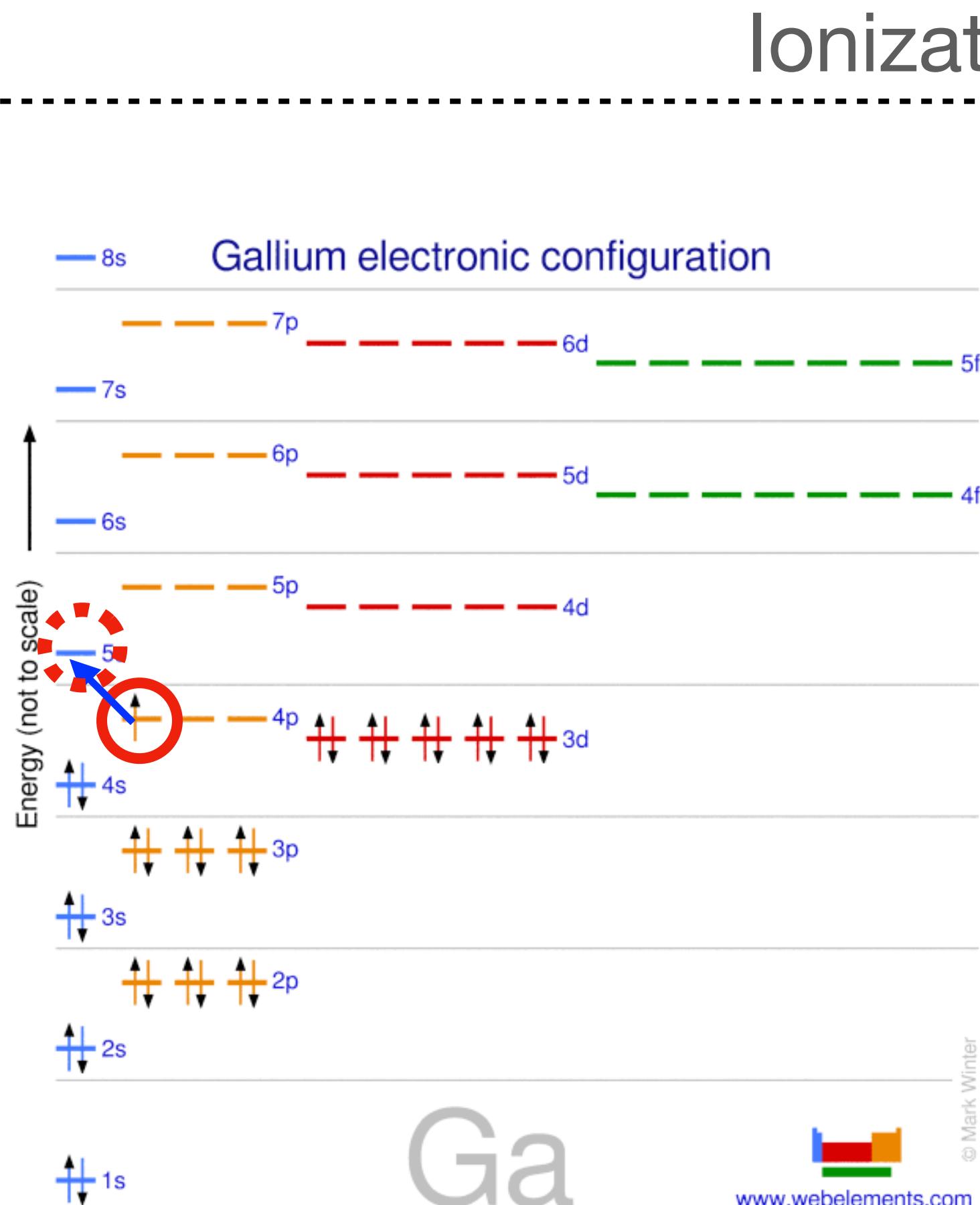
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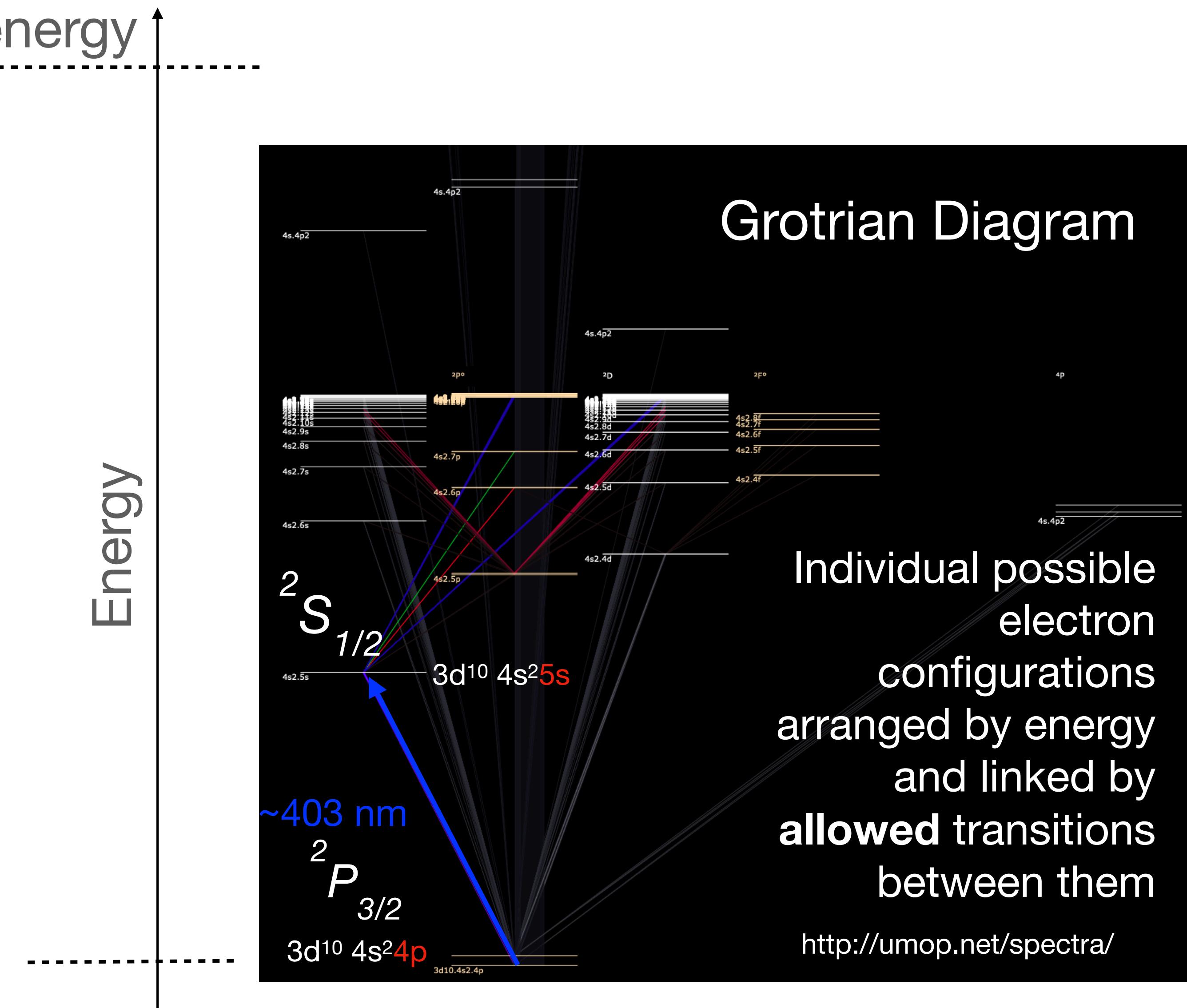
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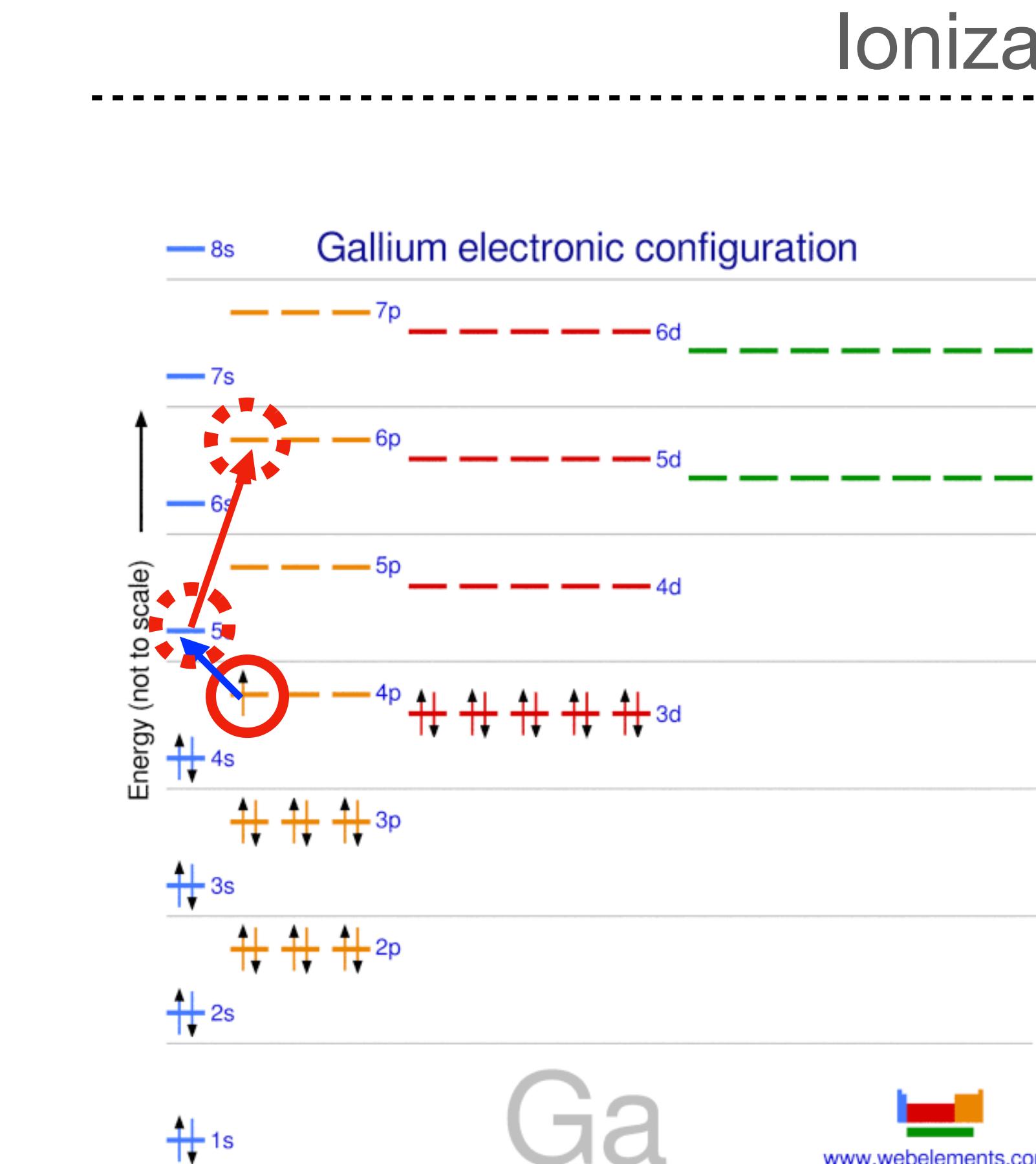
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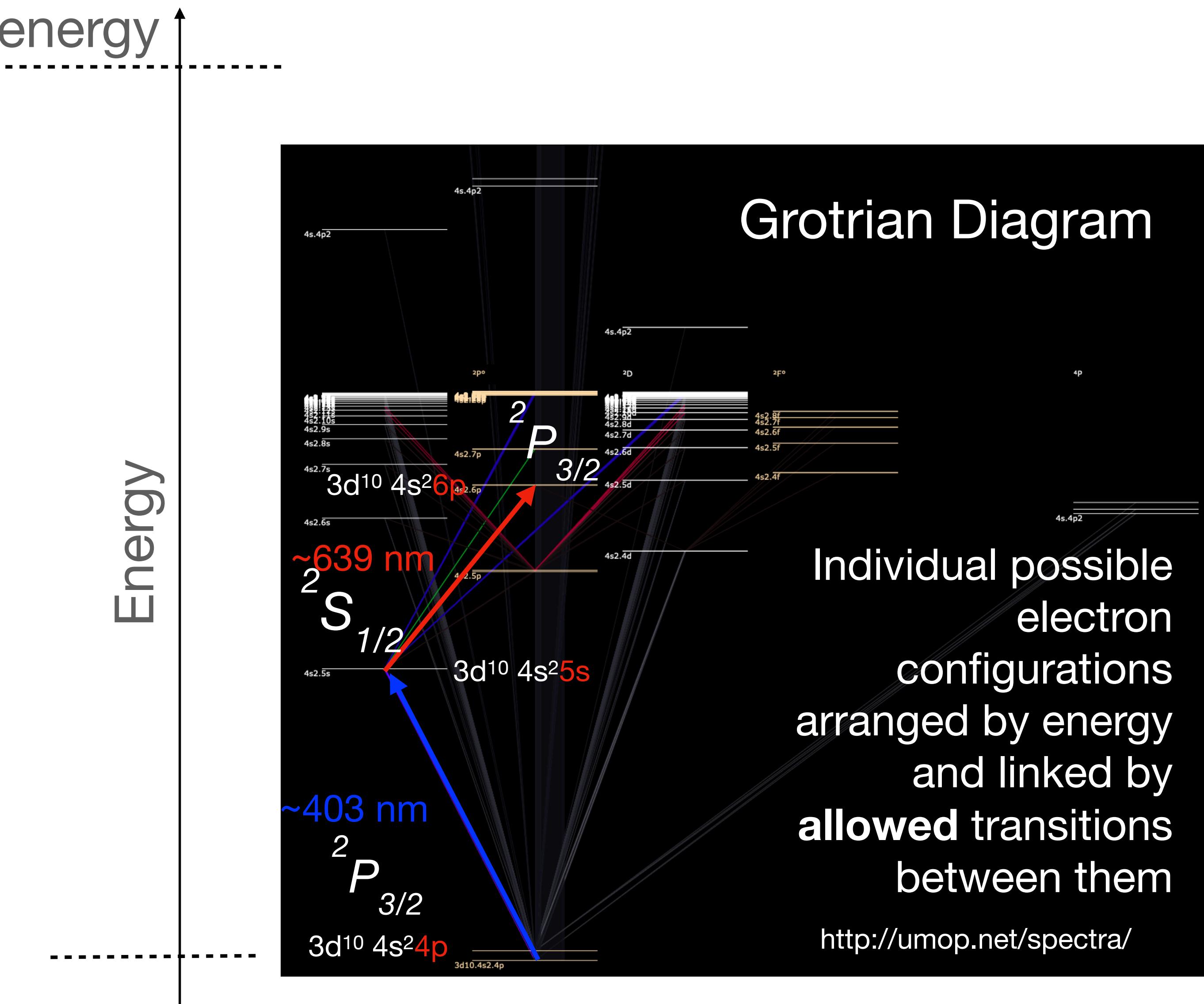


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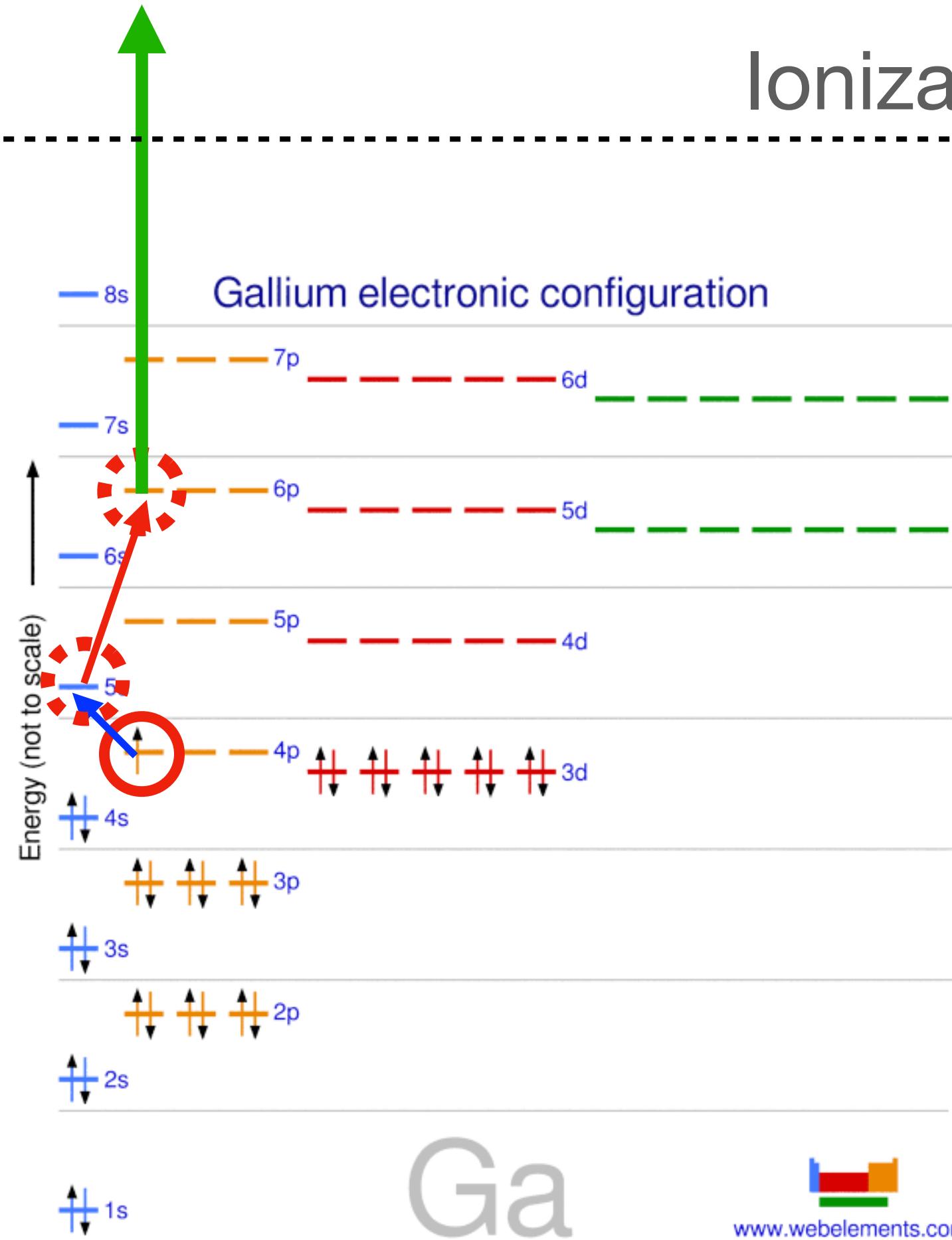


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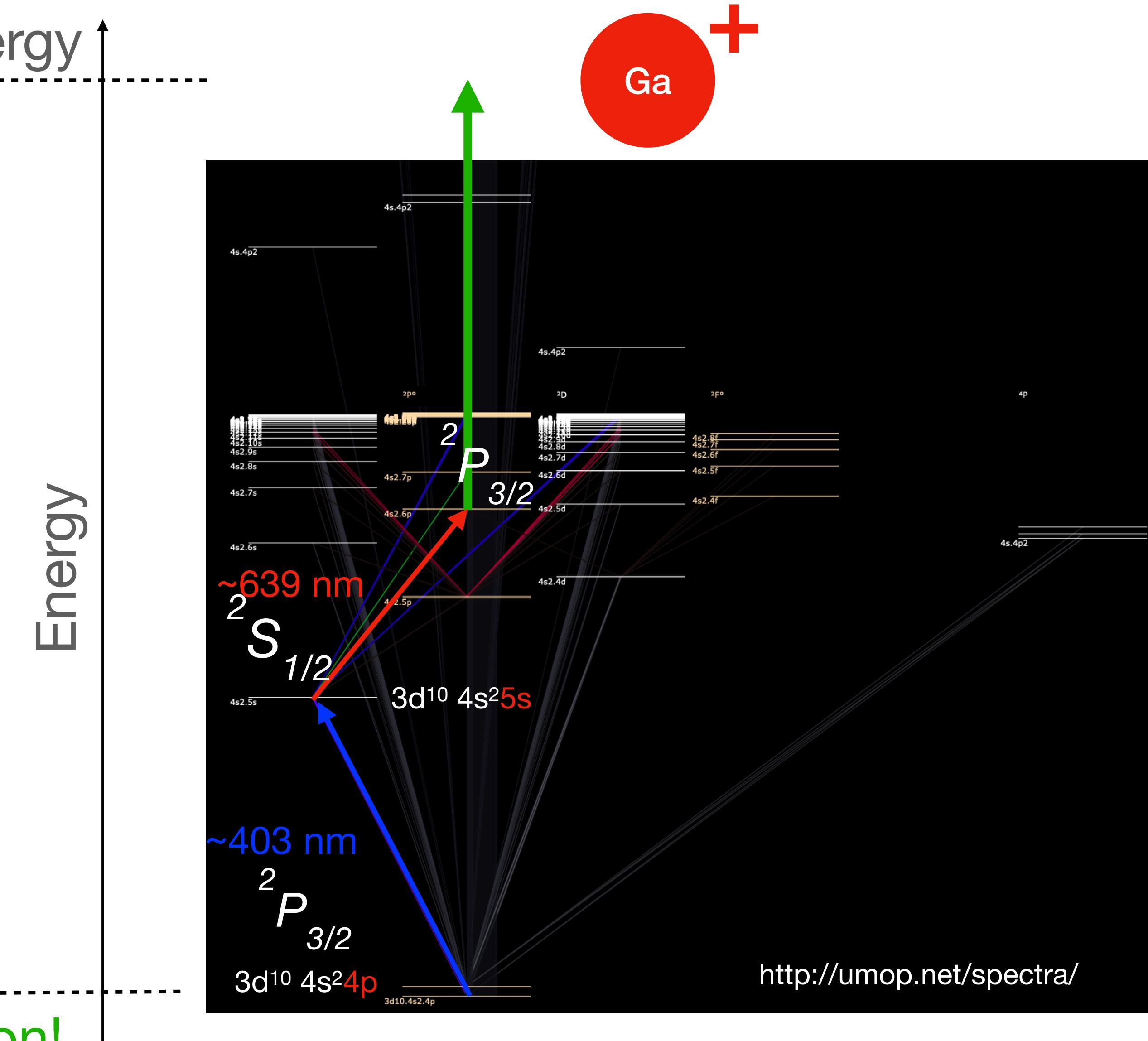
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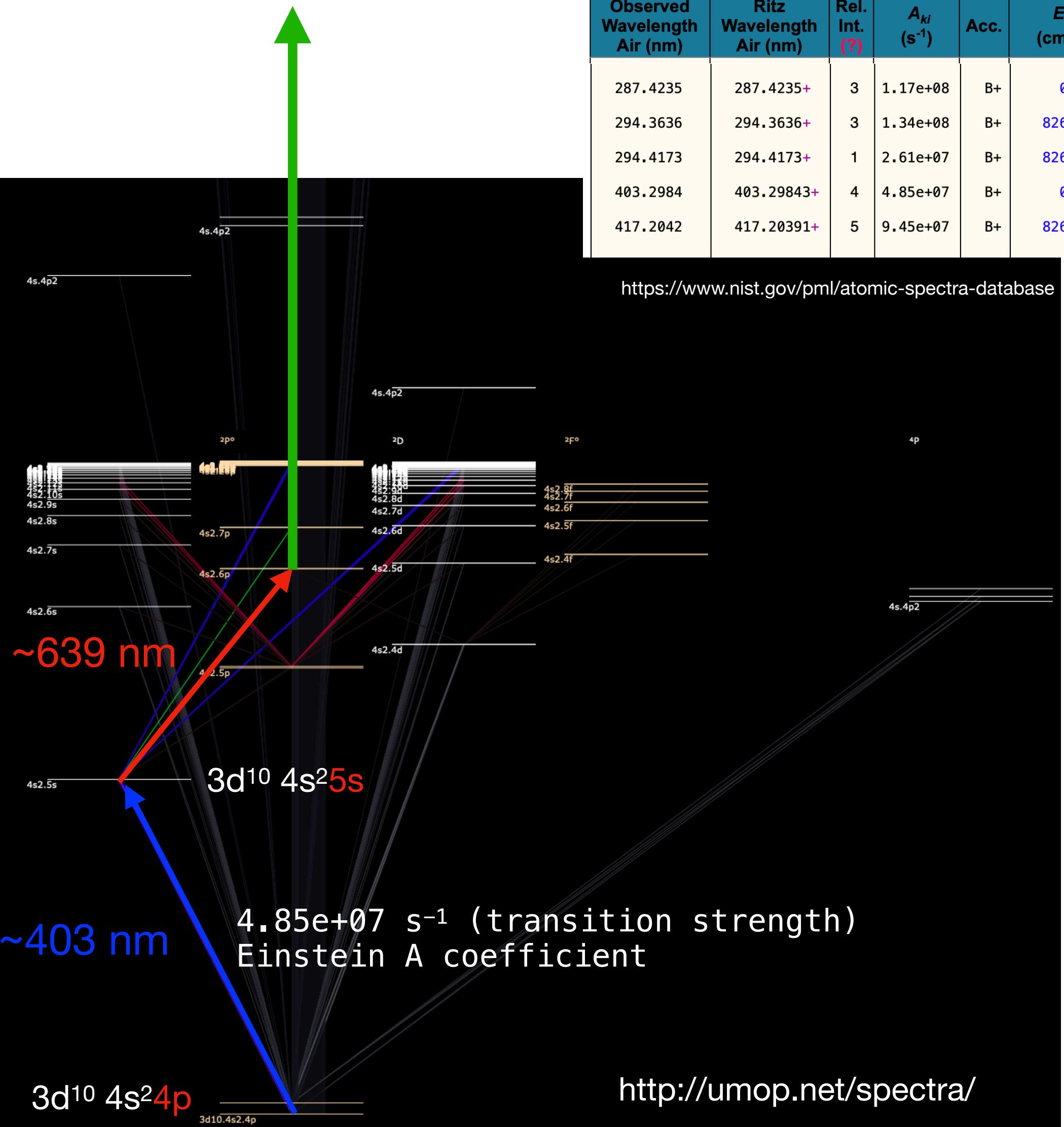


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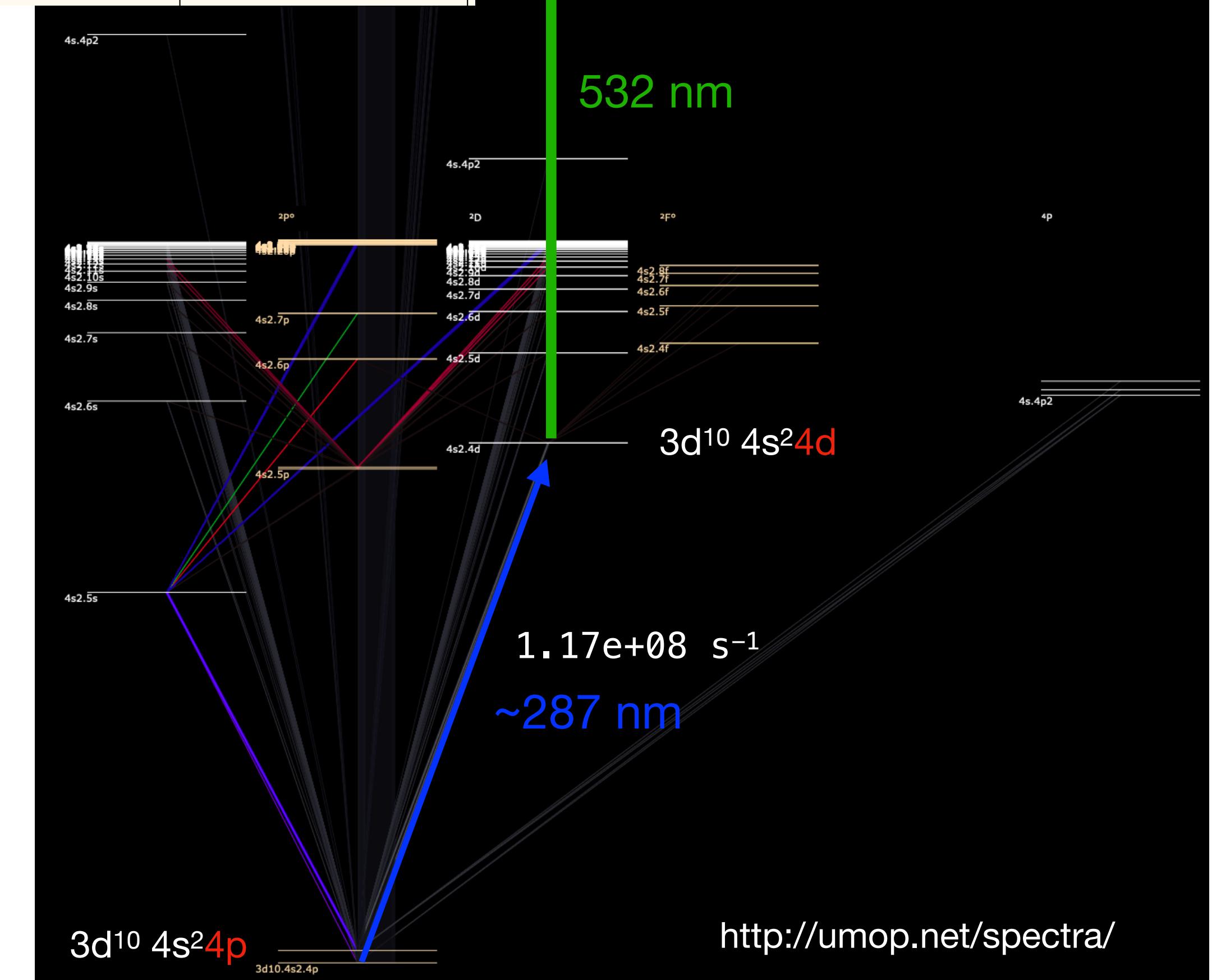
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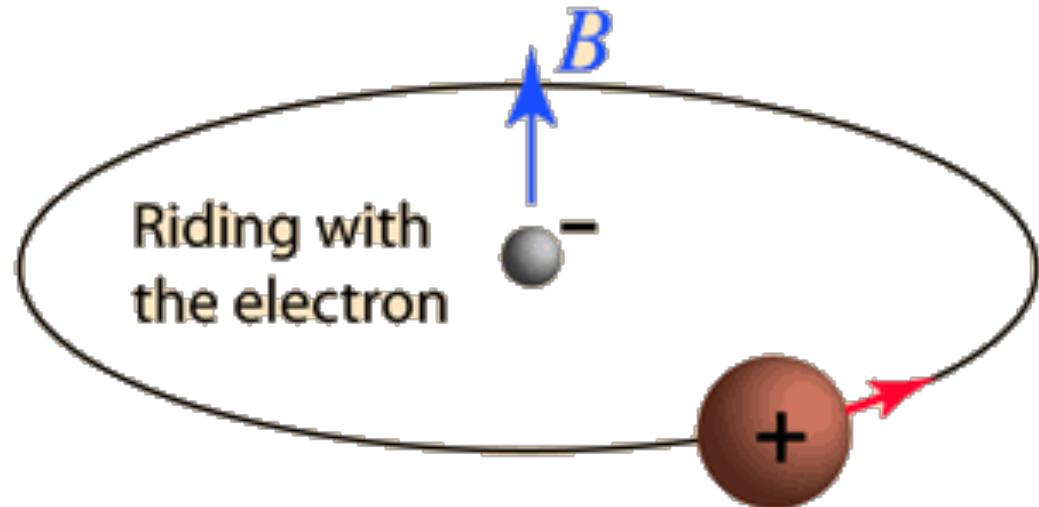
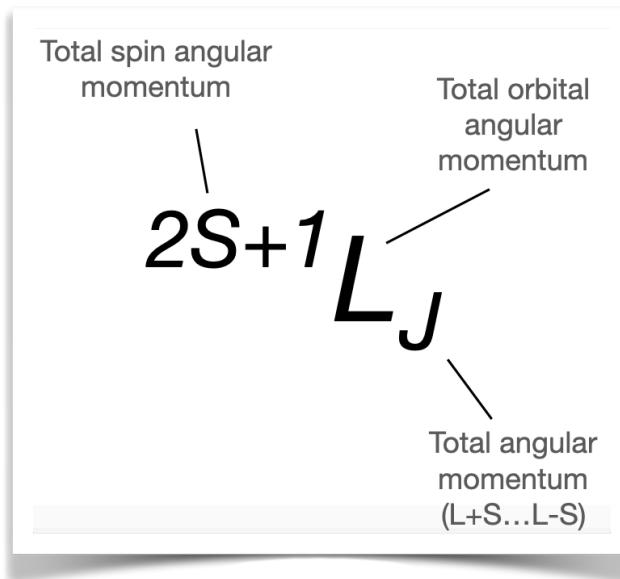
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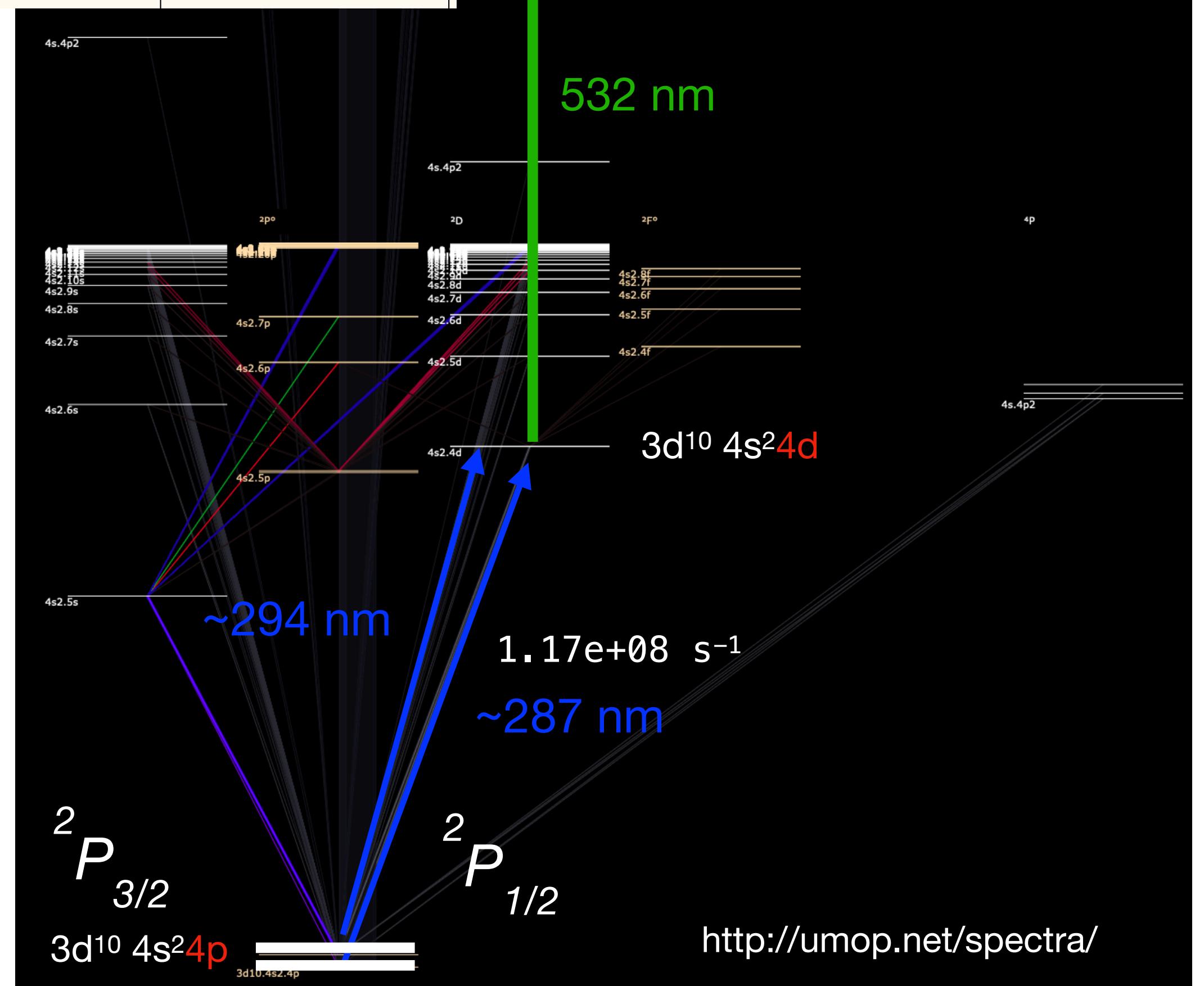
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$$J = \begin{aligned} L-S &= 1/2 & 826.19 \text{ cm}^{-1} \\ L+S &= 3/2 & 0 \text{ cm}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Boltzmann formula to calculate thermal population of fine-structure levels

$$\frac{N_j}{N_1} = \frac{g_j}{g_1} e^{-(E_j - E_1)/k_B T}$$

55 % @ 2200 C



Use a second laser @ 294 nm to also excite from 826.12 cm<sup>-1</sup> thermally populated level!

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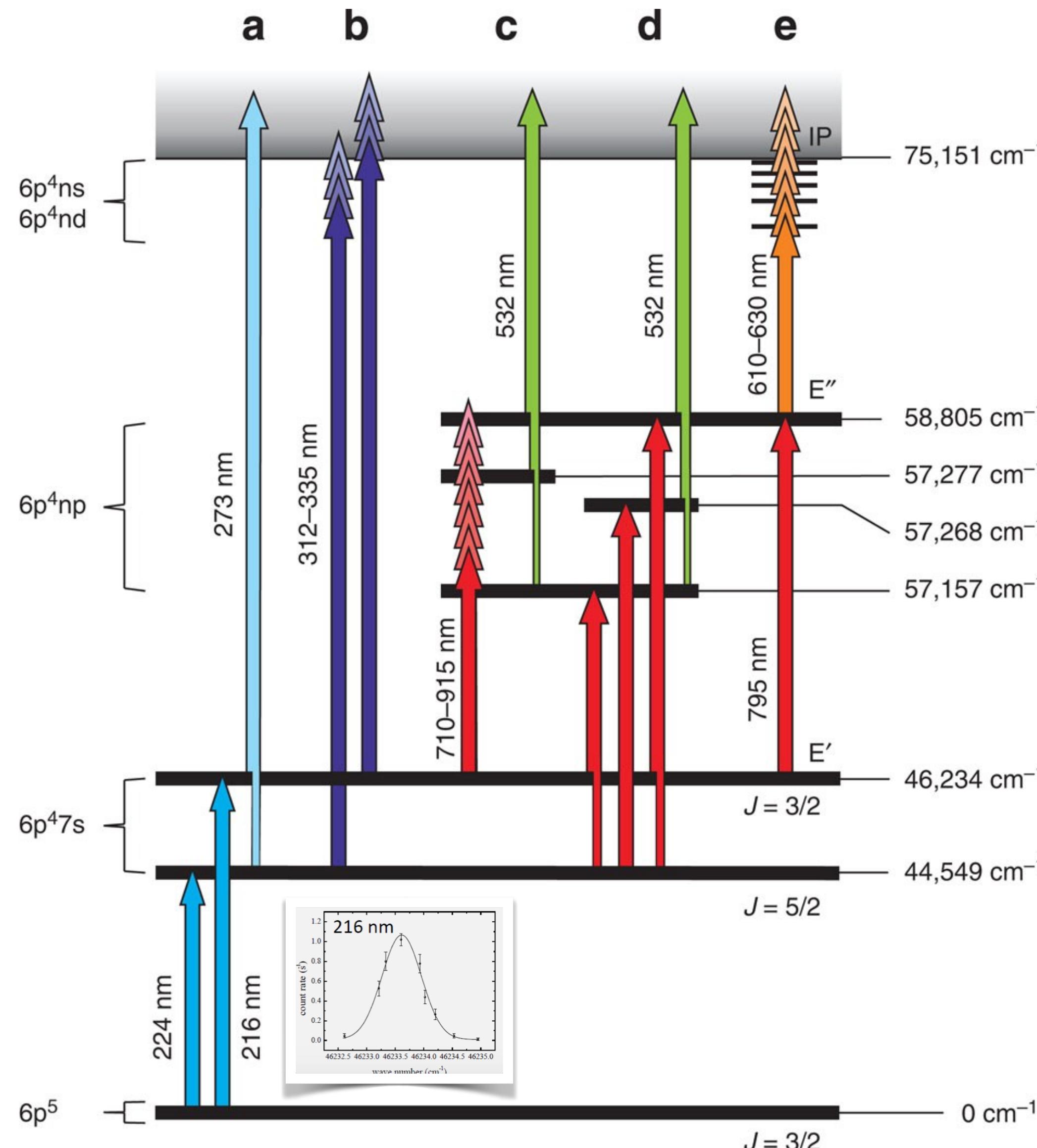
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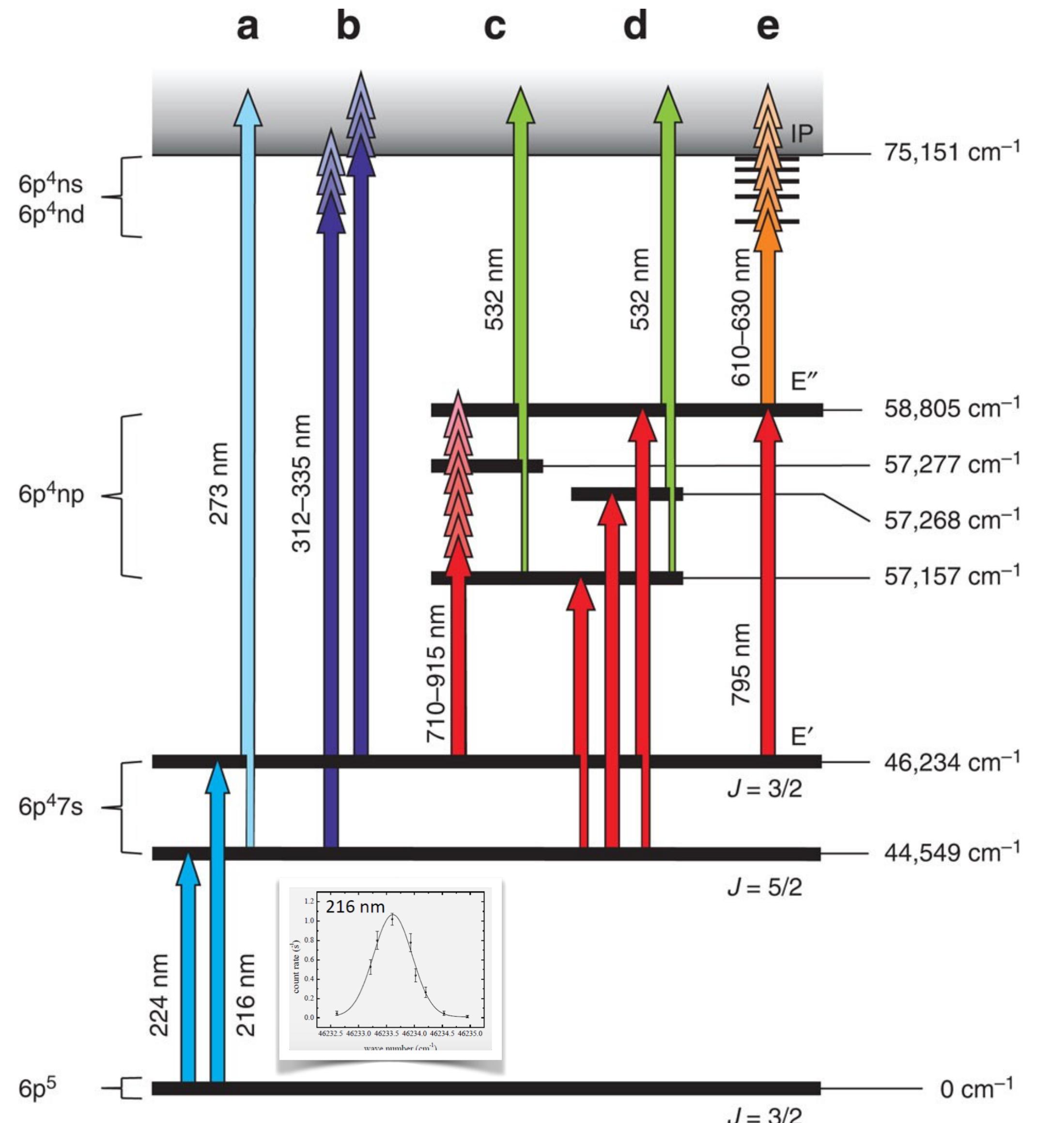
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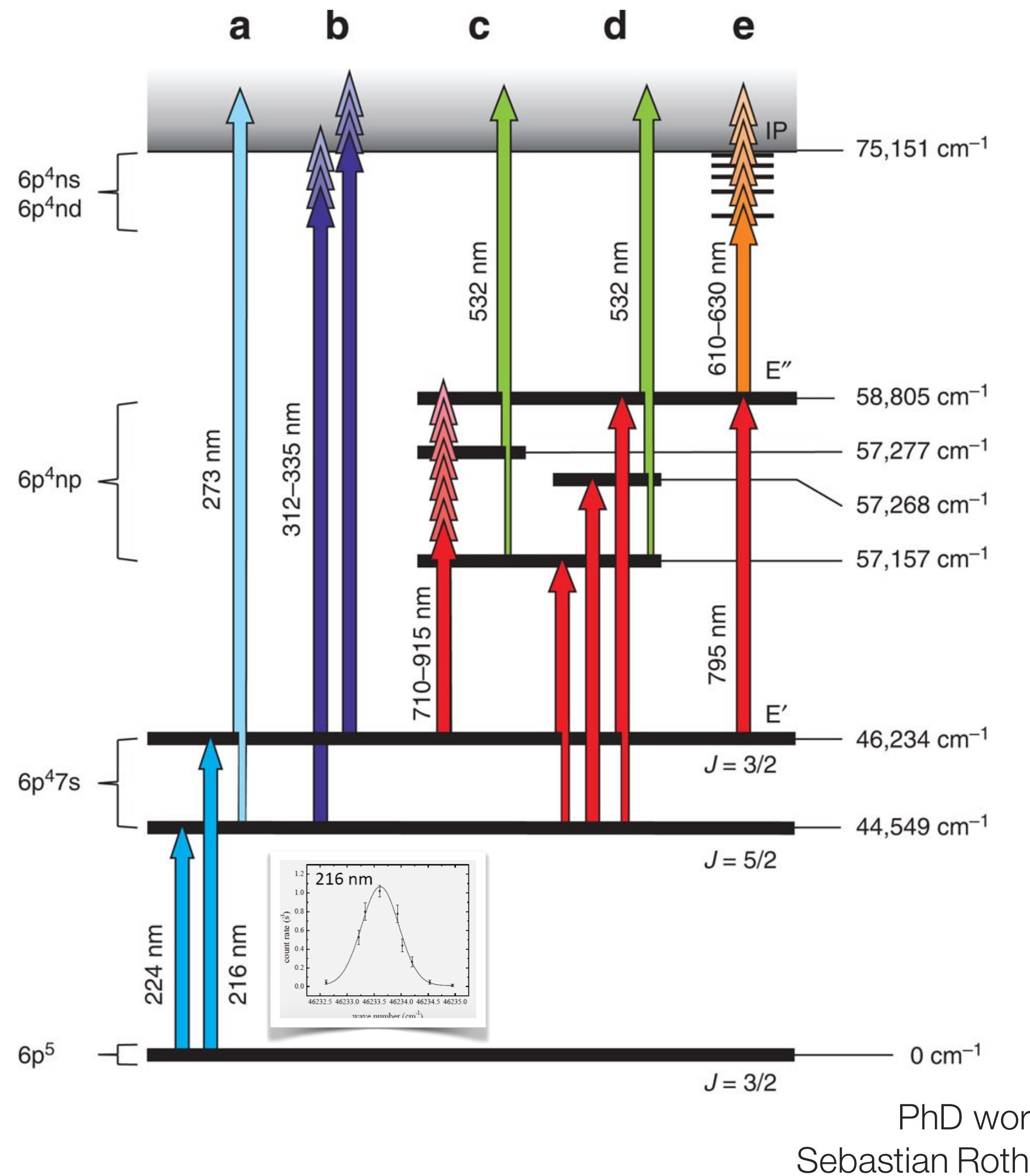
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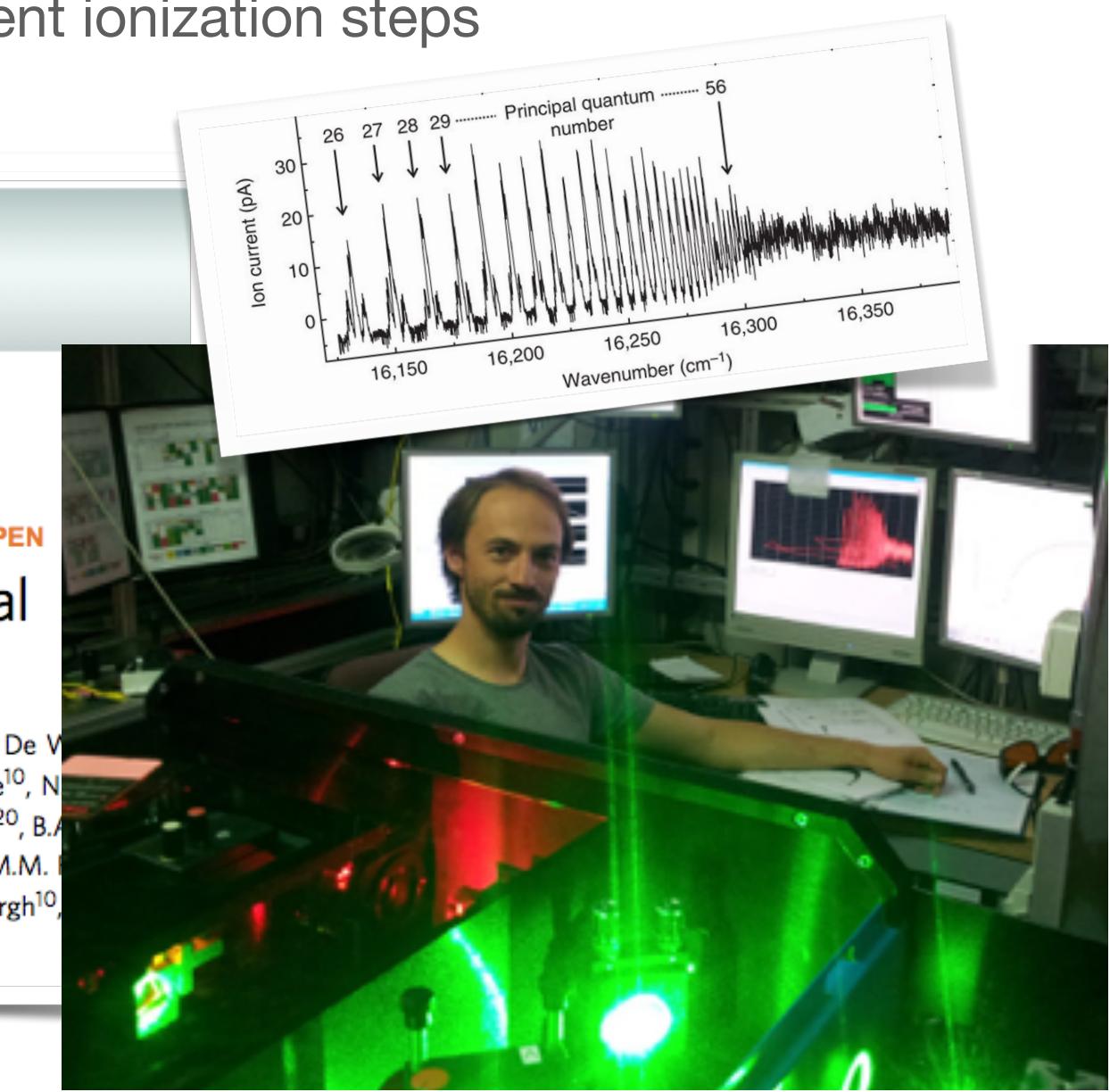
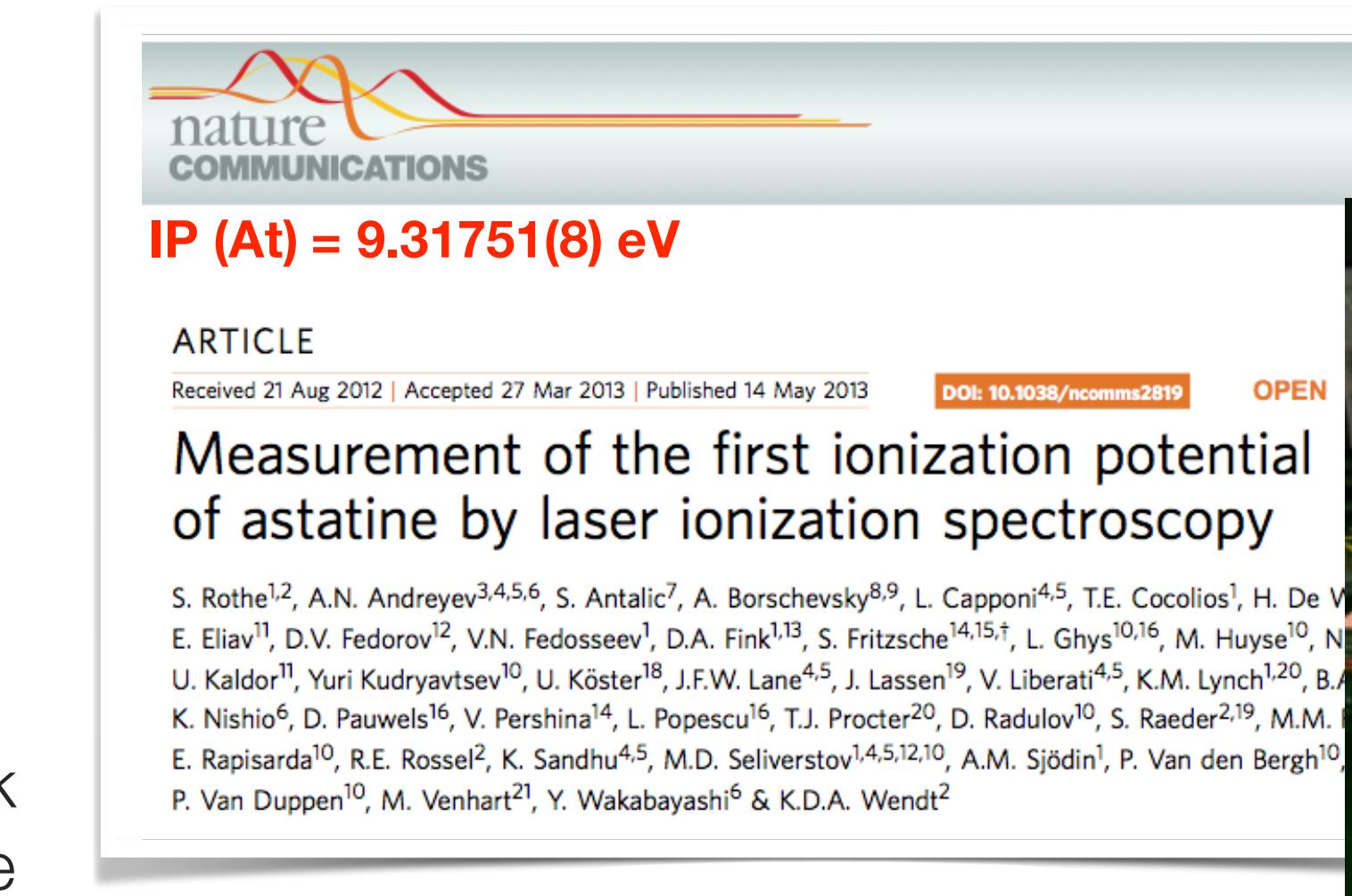
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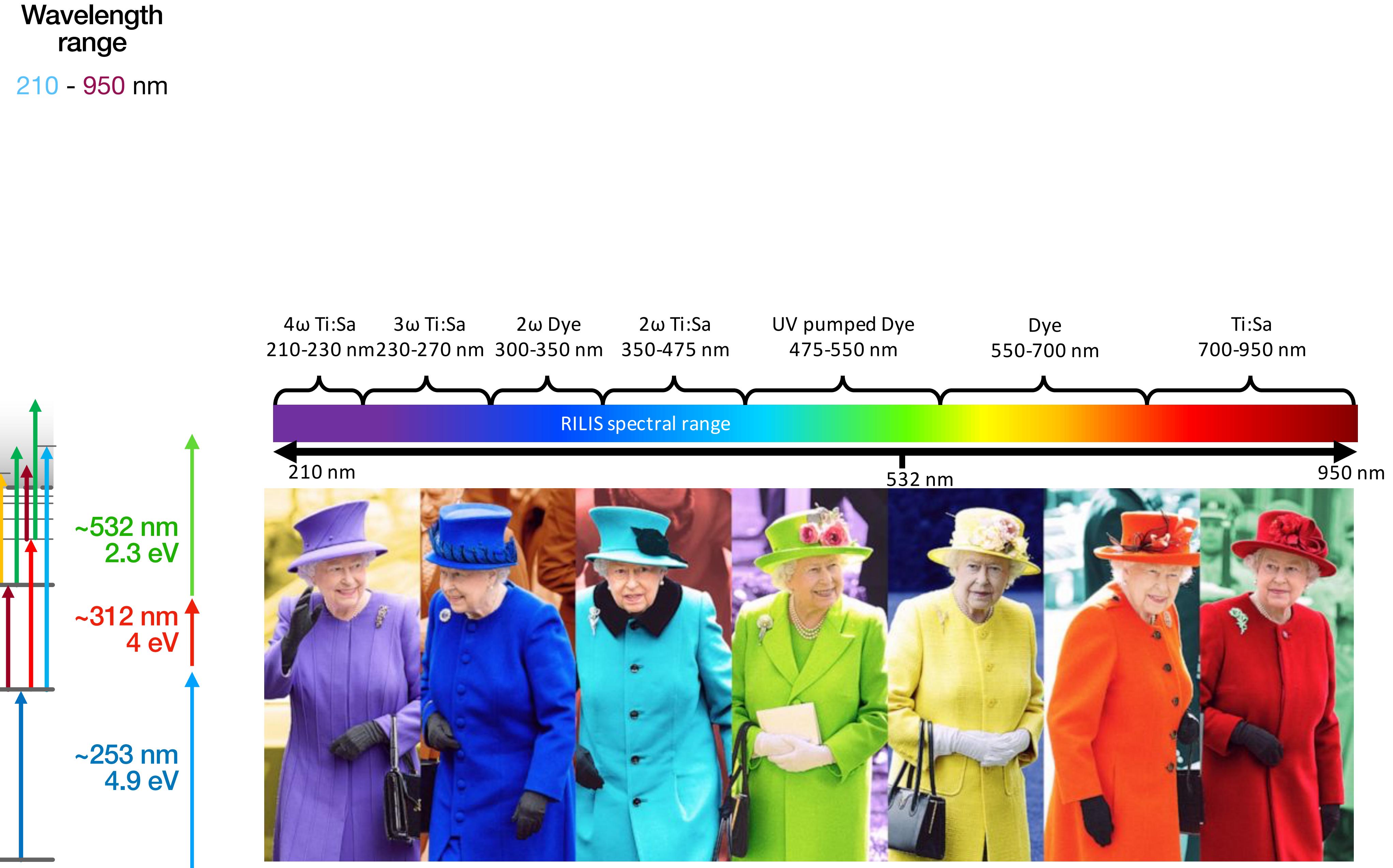
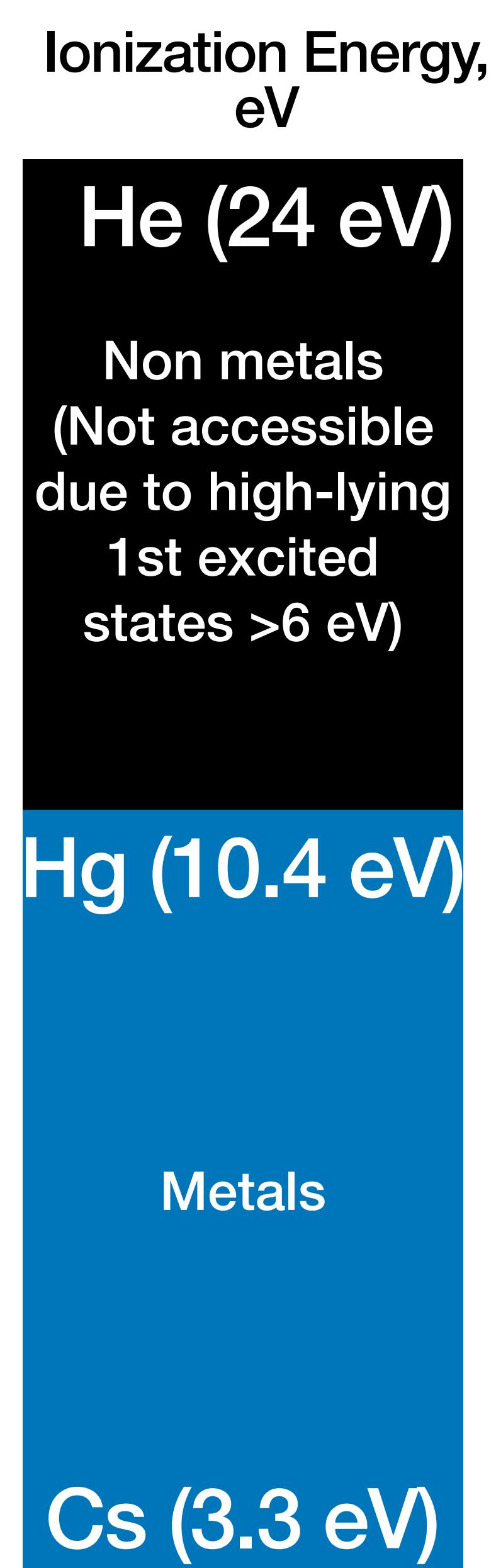
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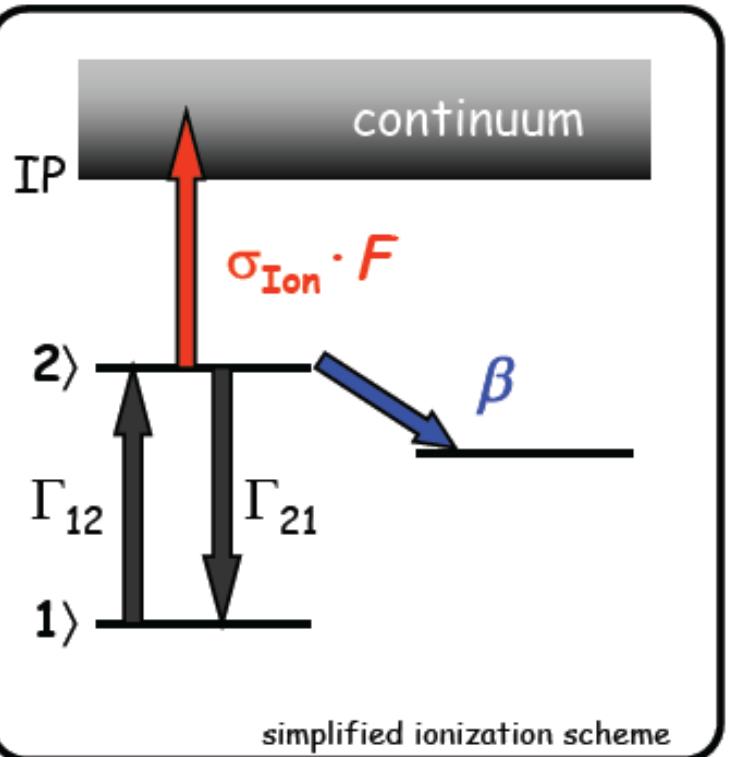
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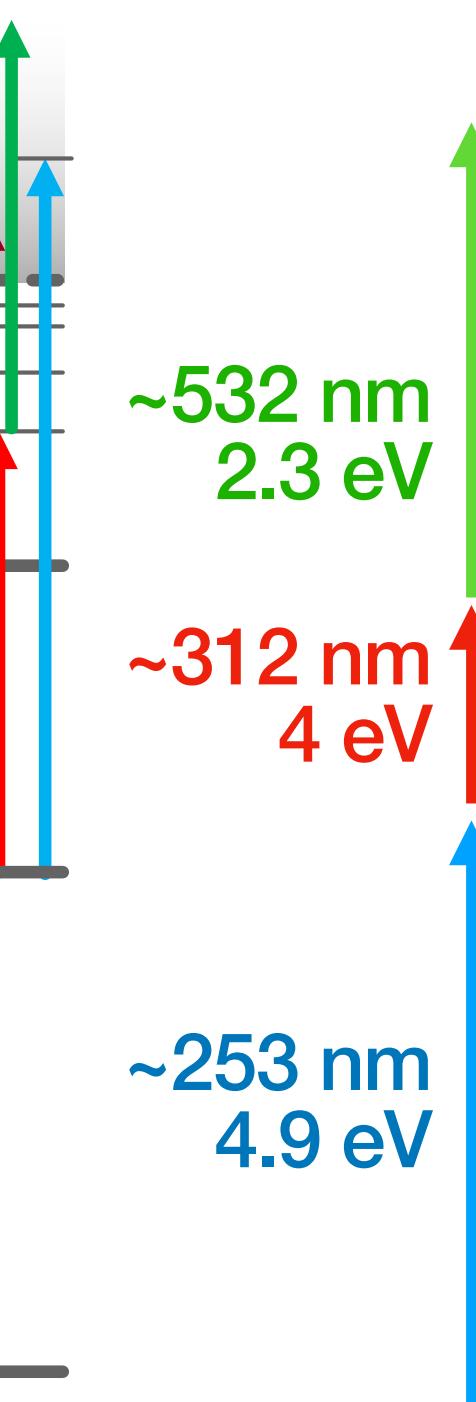
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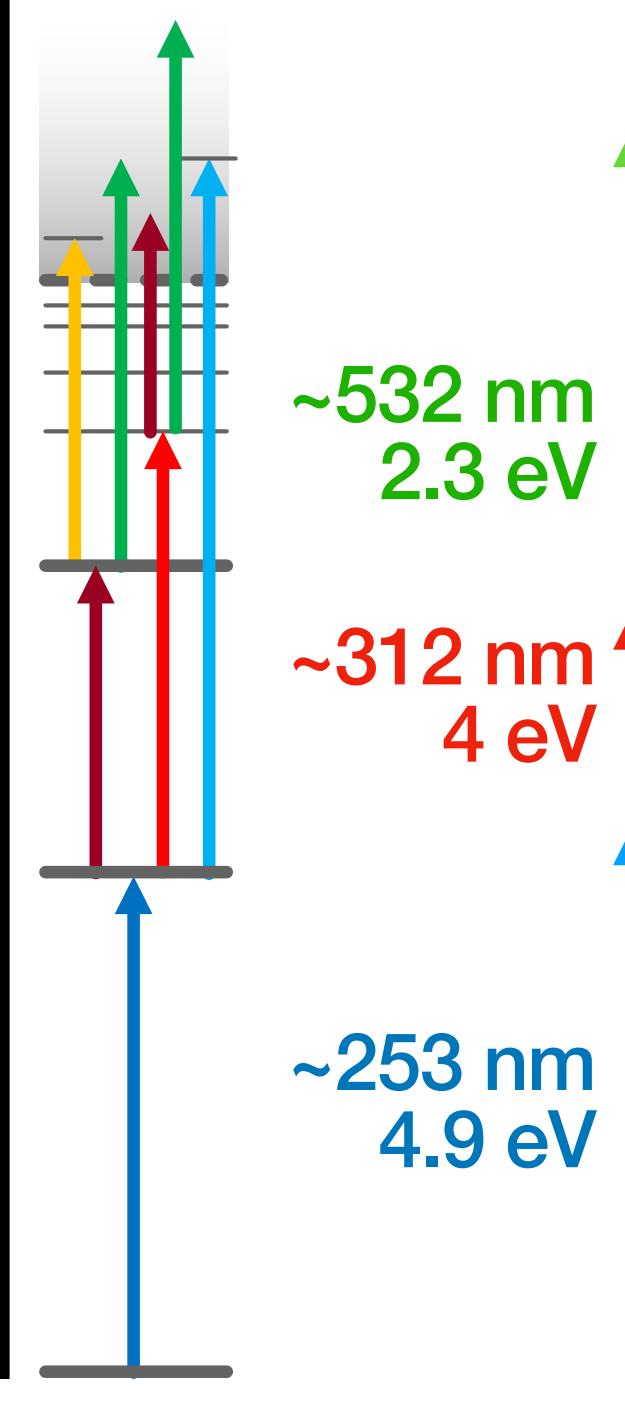
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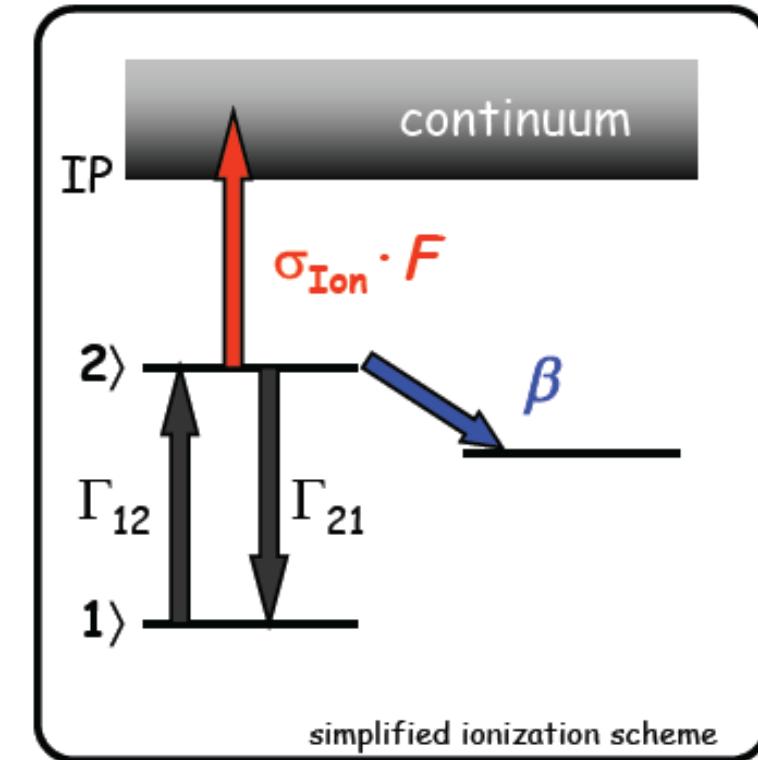
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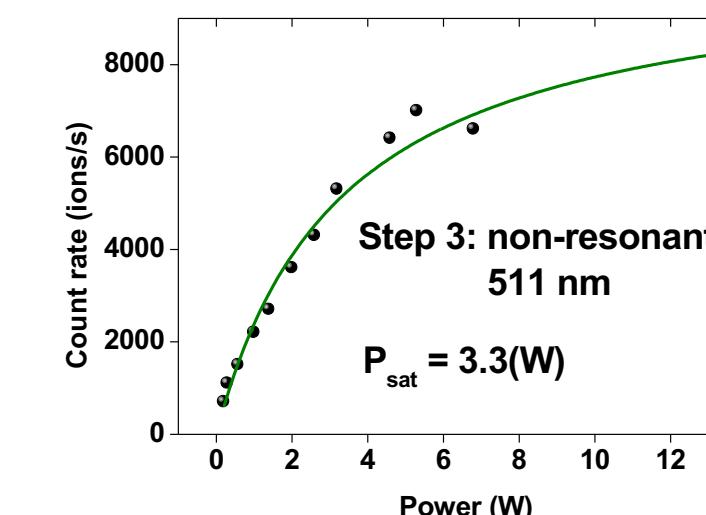
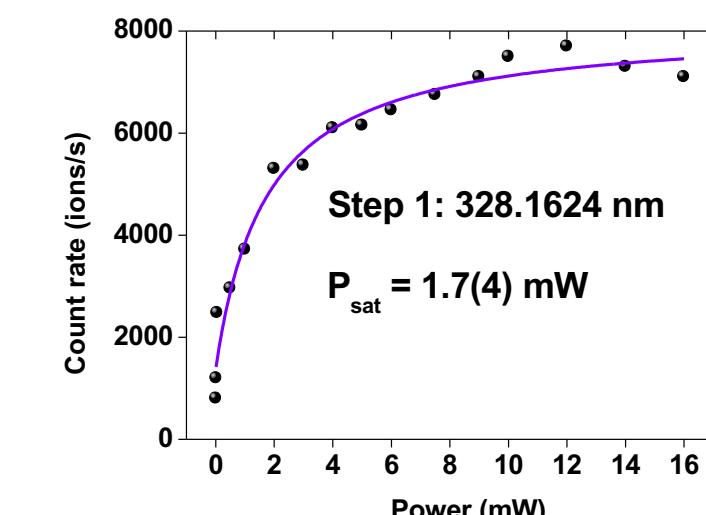
For a 10W laser  
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pulses @ 10kHz

**Peak power is  $\sim 100 \text{ kW}$**

**<10 mJ**

**Fluence condition  $\varphi$**

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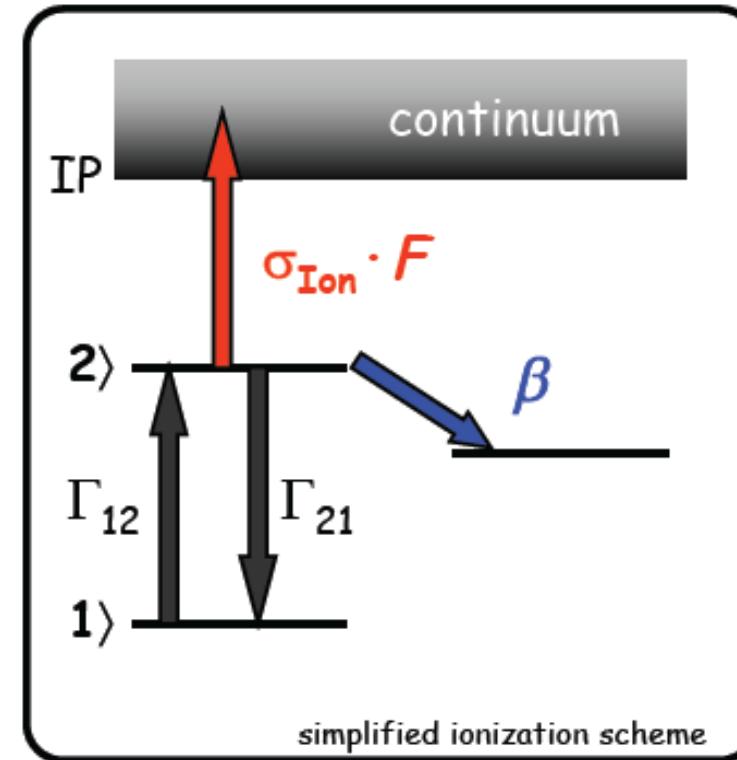
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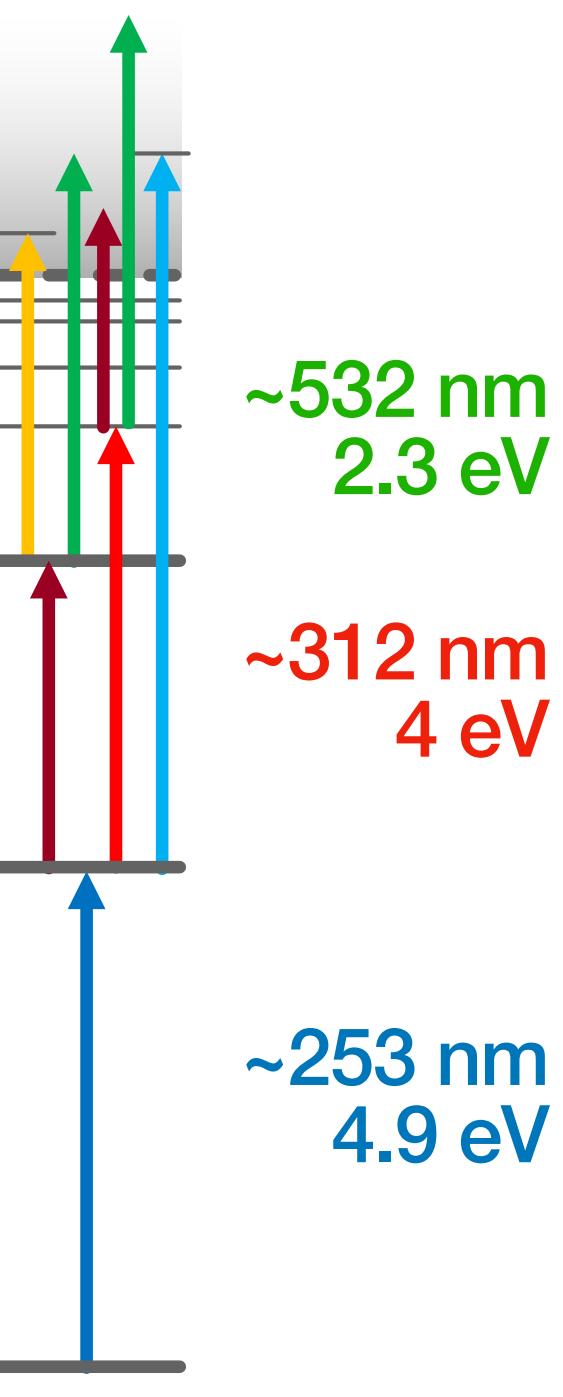
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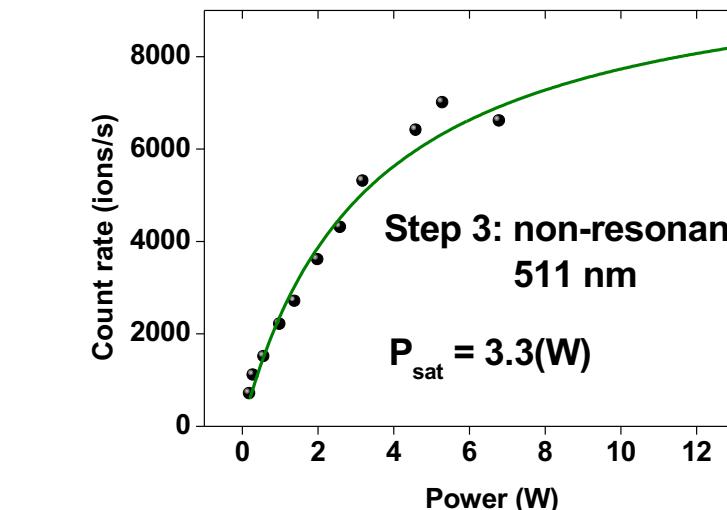
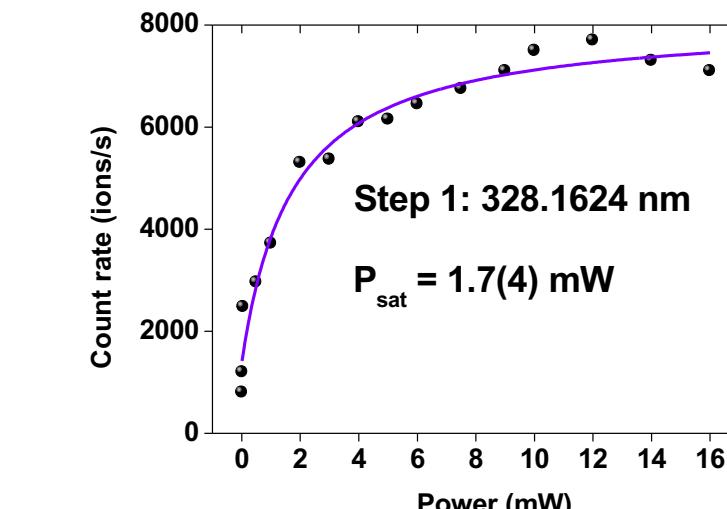
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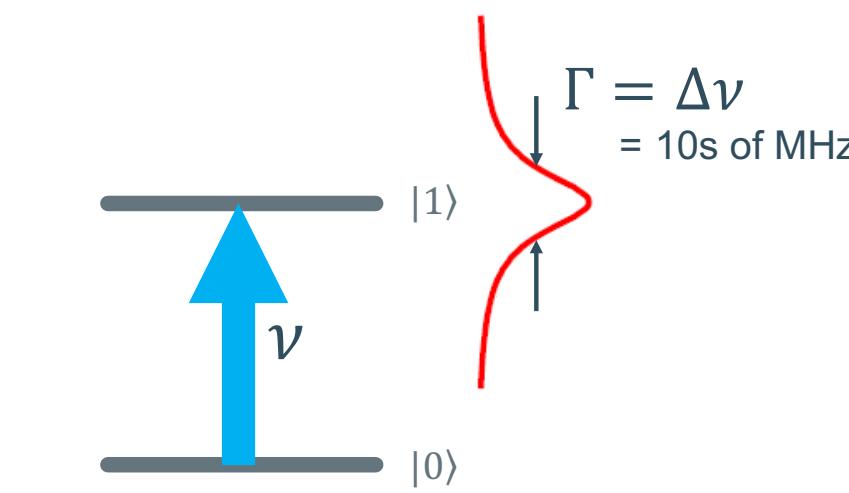
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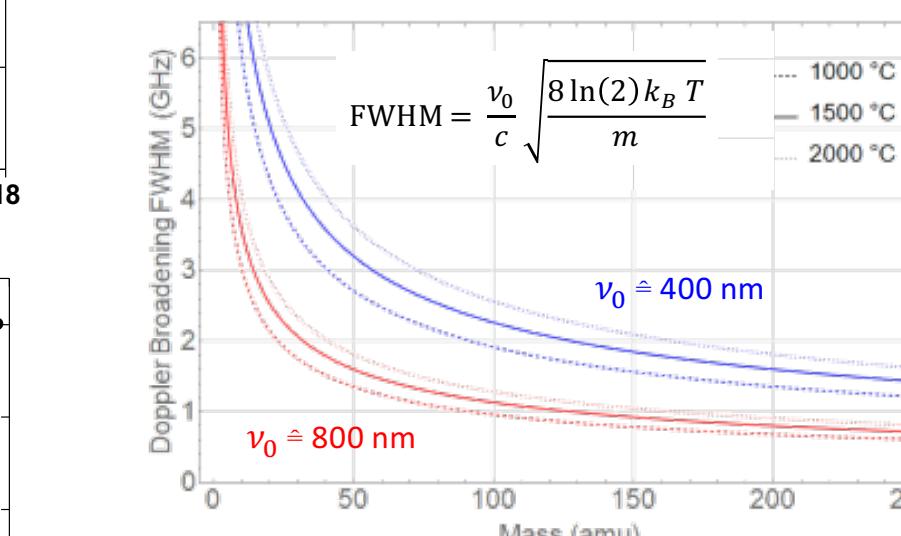
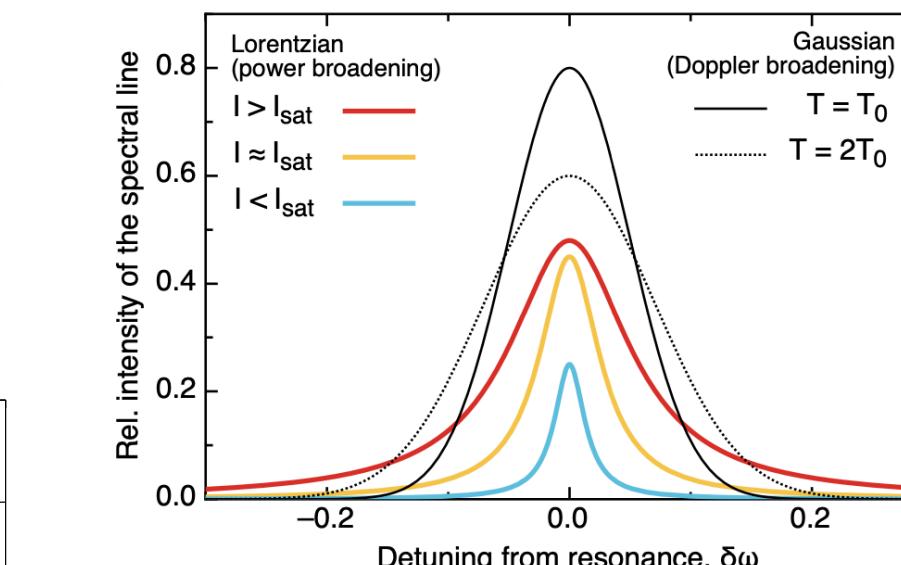


**Linewidth (@ 2000 C)**

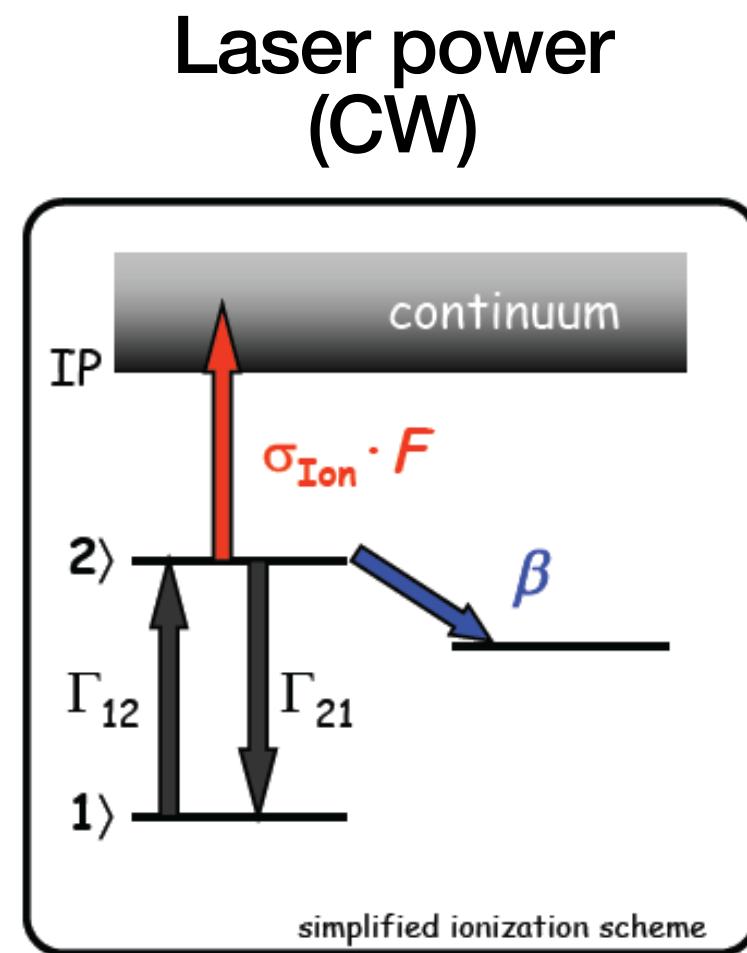
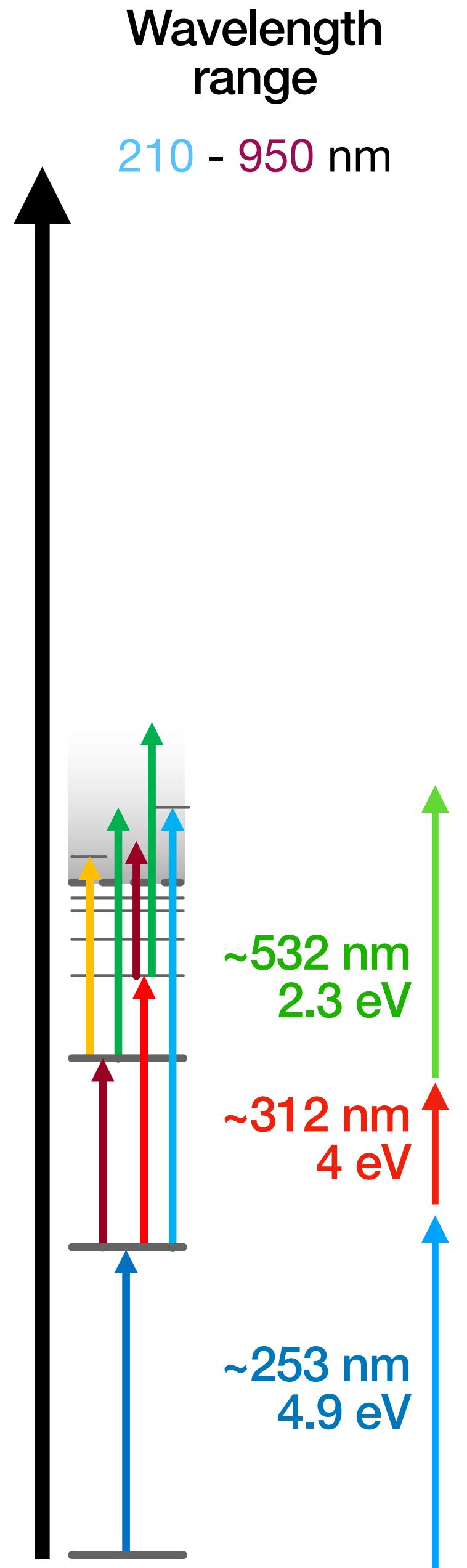
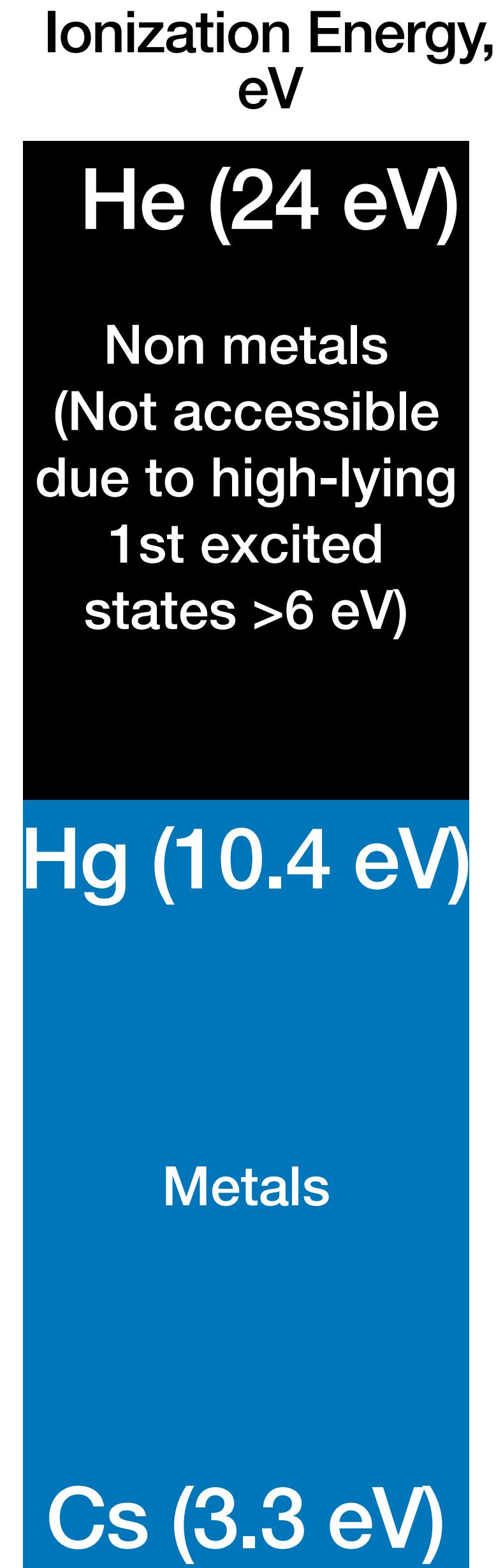
$$\Delta t \Delta E \geq \frac{\hbar}{2}$$



**Strong transition**  
→ Short half-life O(ns)  
→ Broad linewidth



**1-10 GHz**



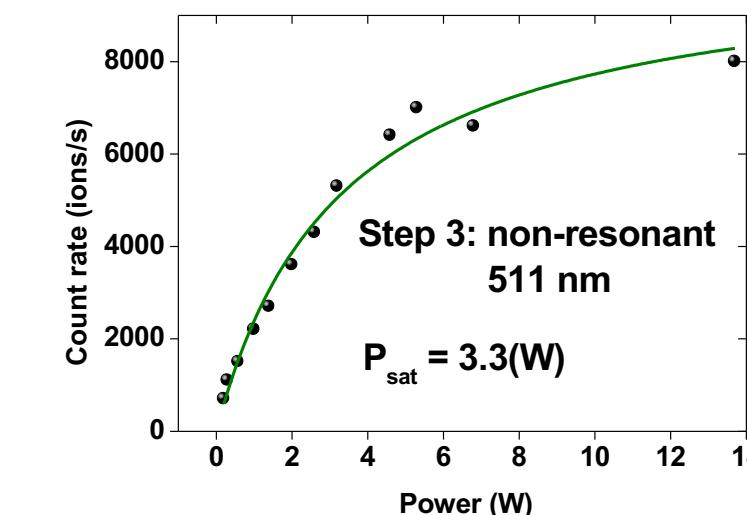
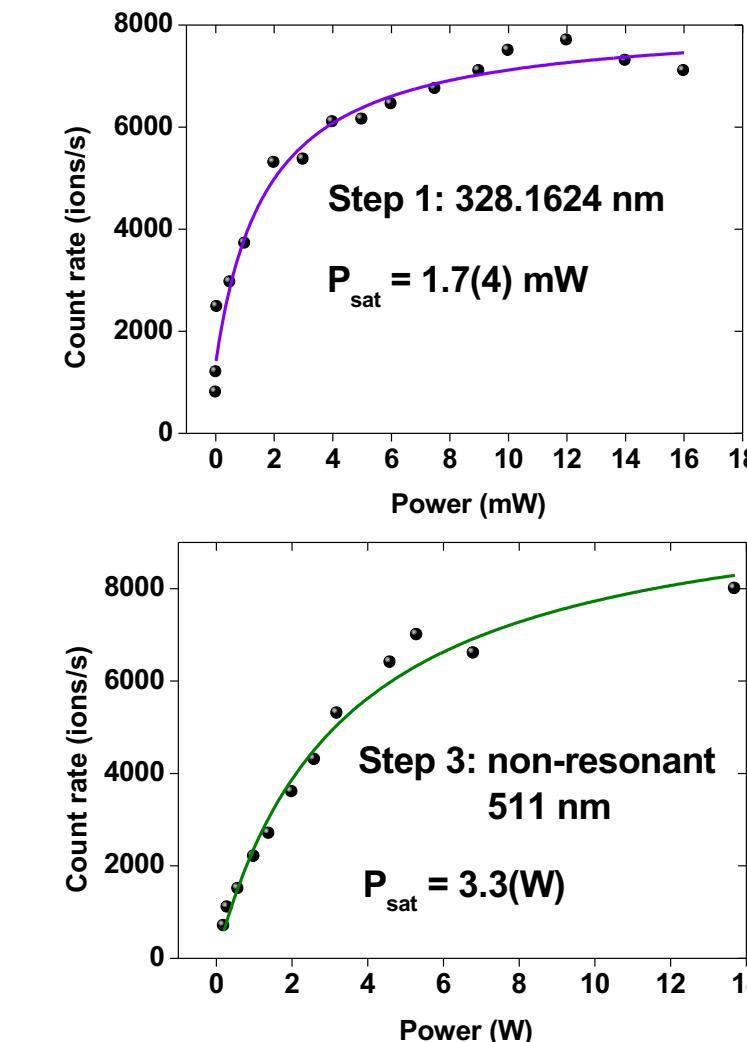
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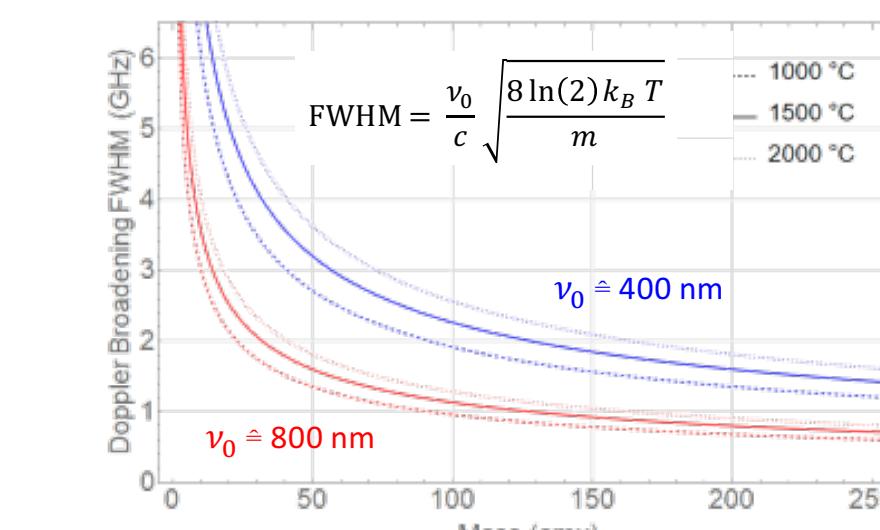
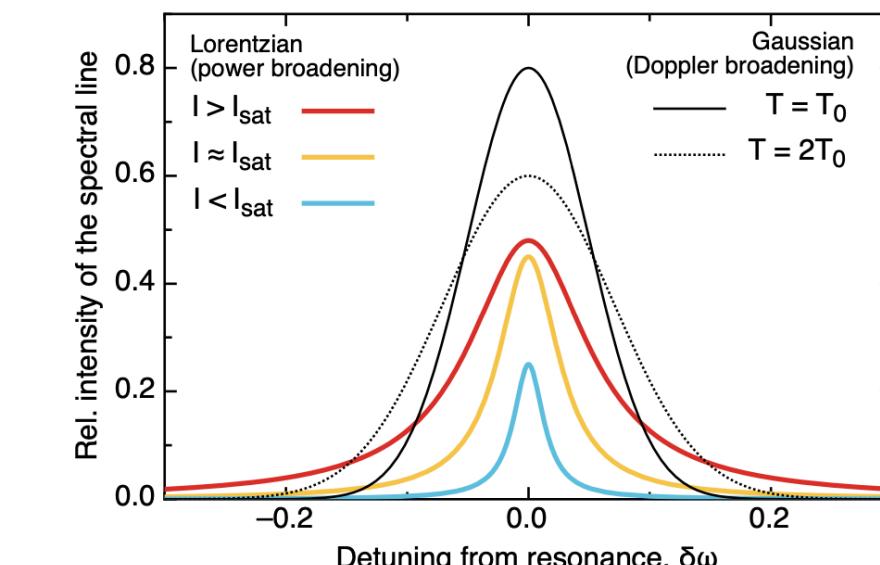


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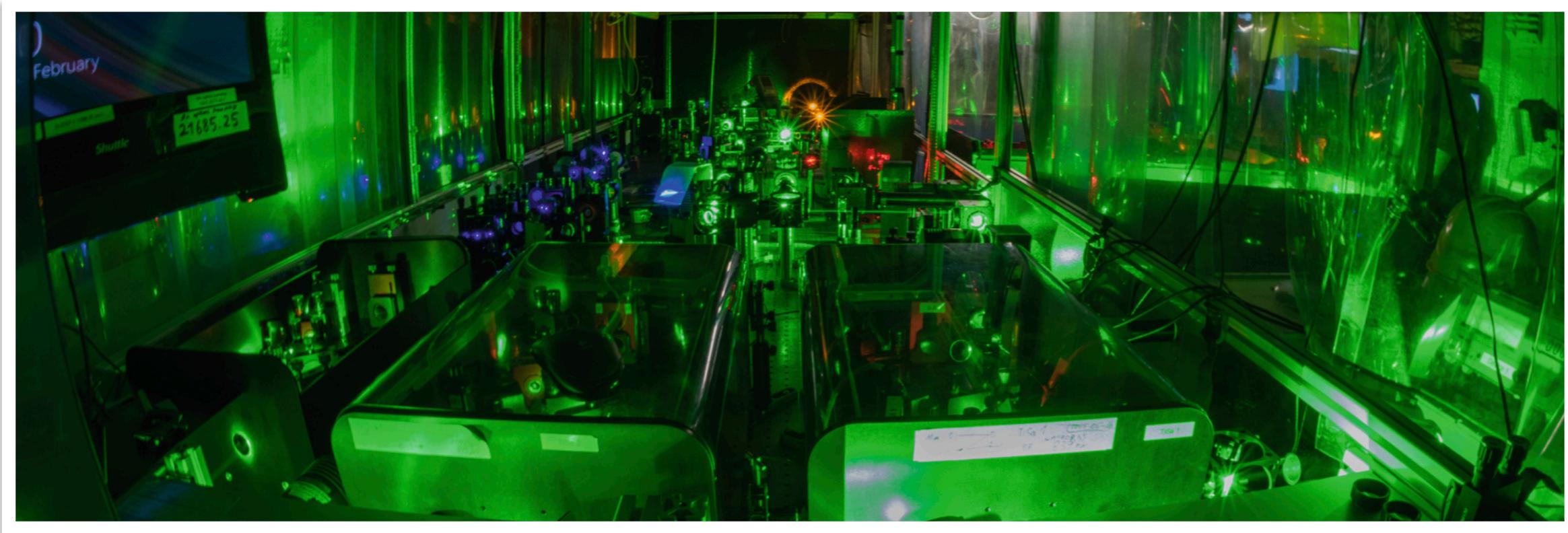
**Repetition Rate**

Each atom should be exposed to at least 1 laser pulse

1/repetition < atom residency time within the laser/atom interaction region

Repetition rate / average power trade-off

**10 kHz @ 10mJ = 100 W**



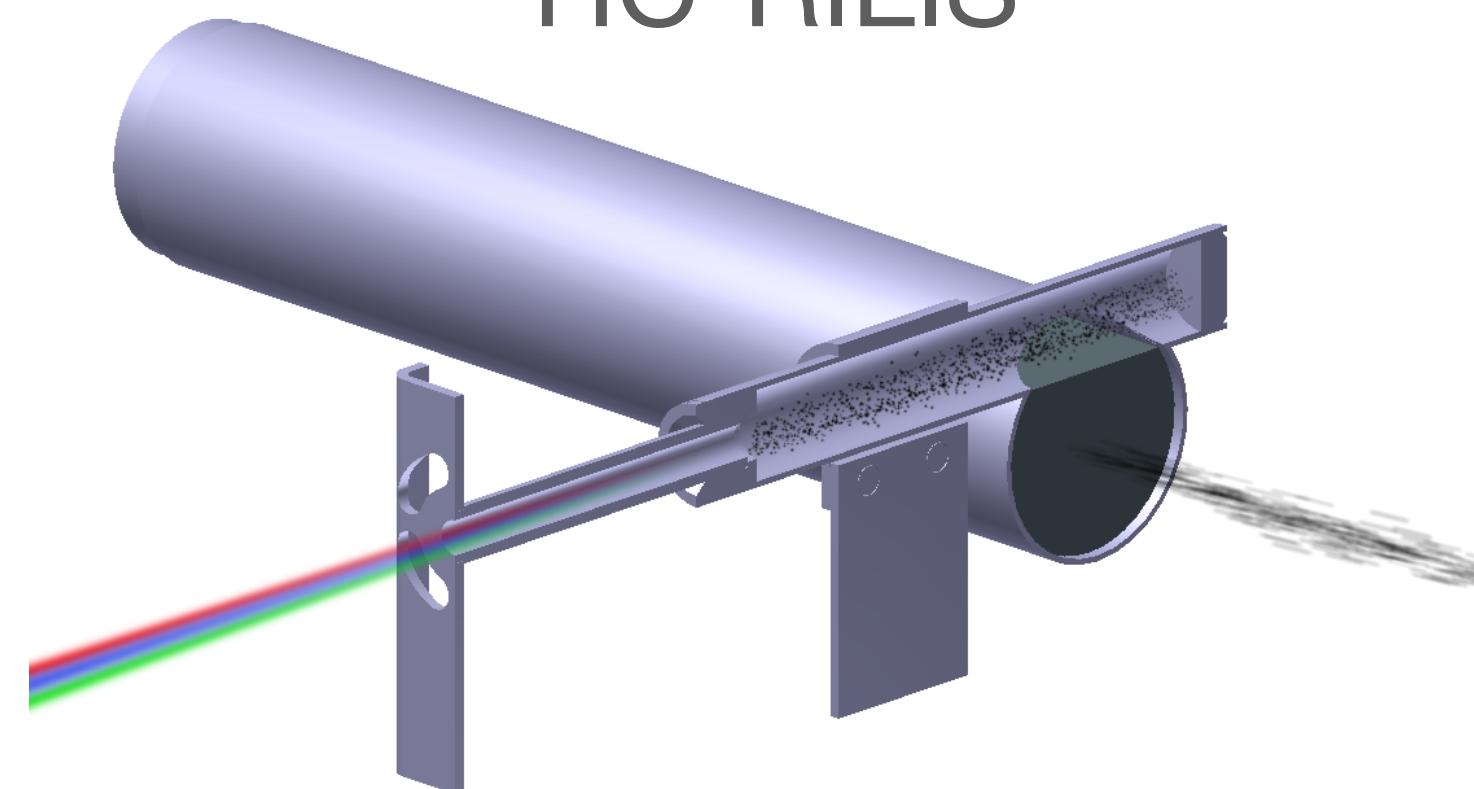
*Now how is this actually done practically..*

# ISOLDE operation in 2022....

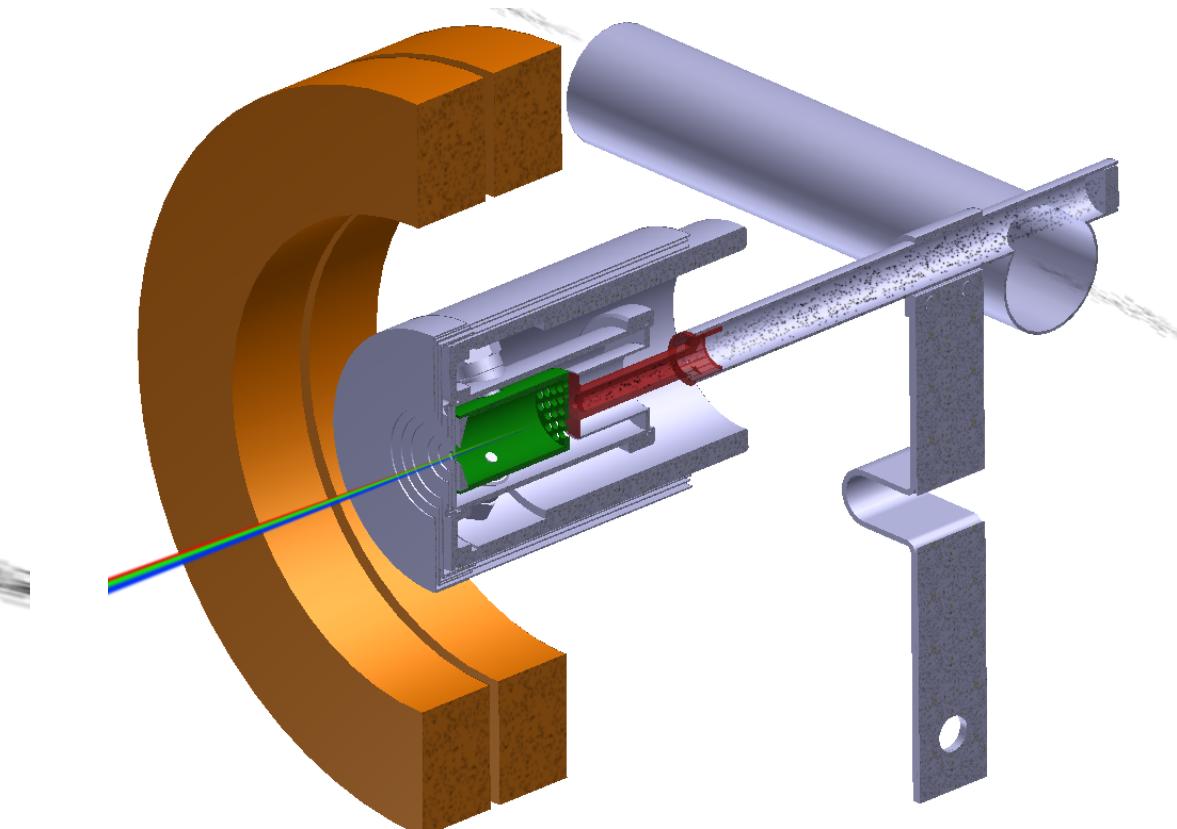
# RILIS overview

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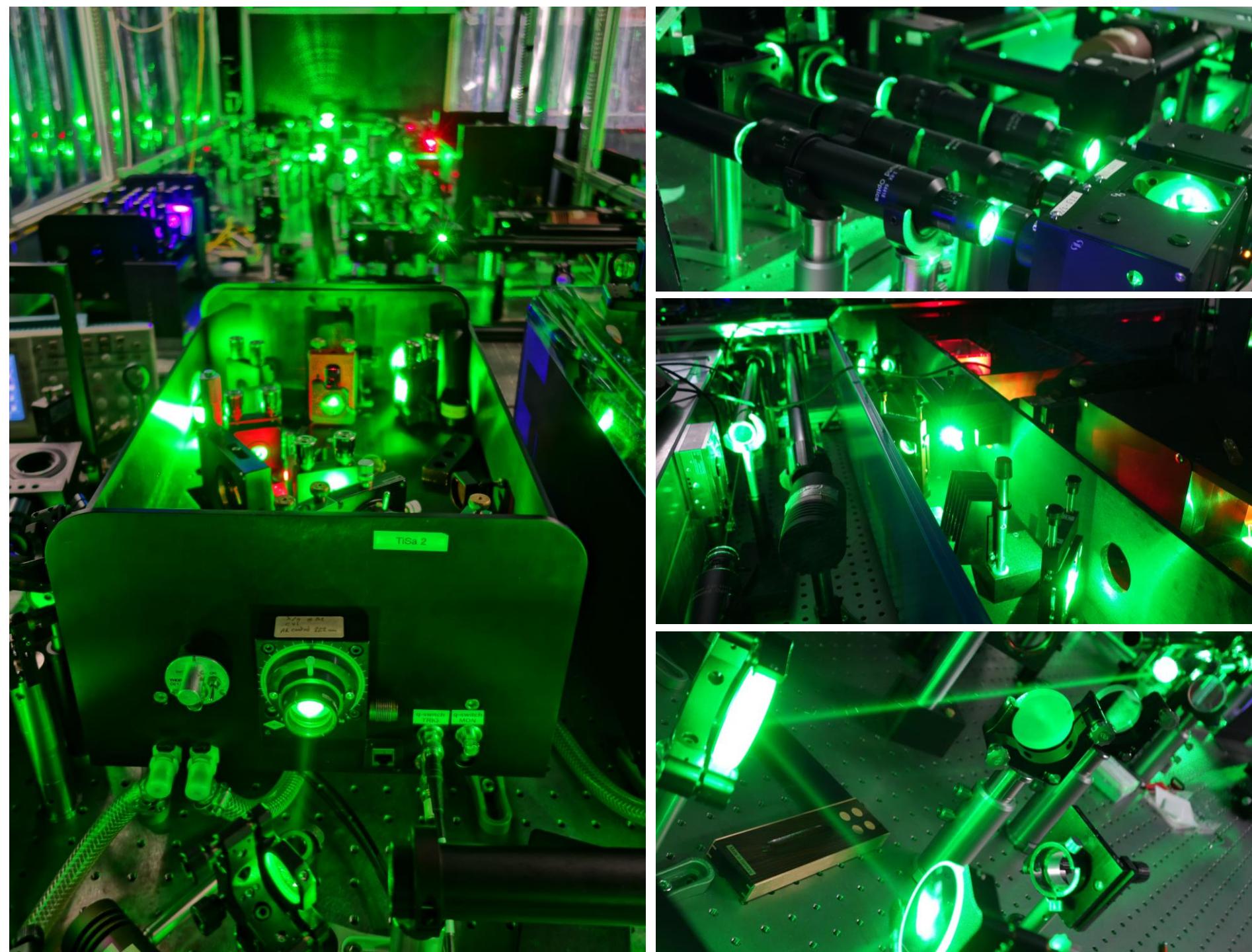
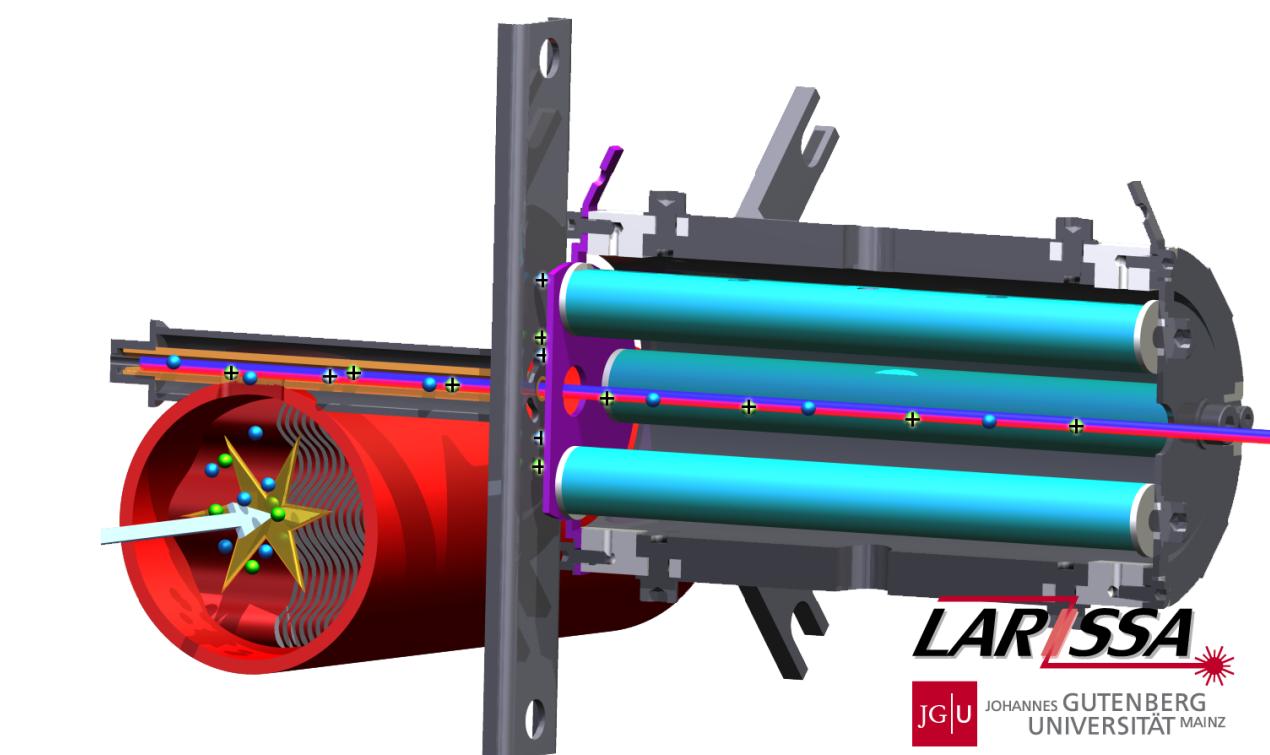
HC-RILIS



VADLIS



# LIST



# 40 ionisation schemes

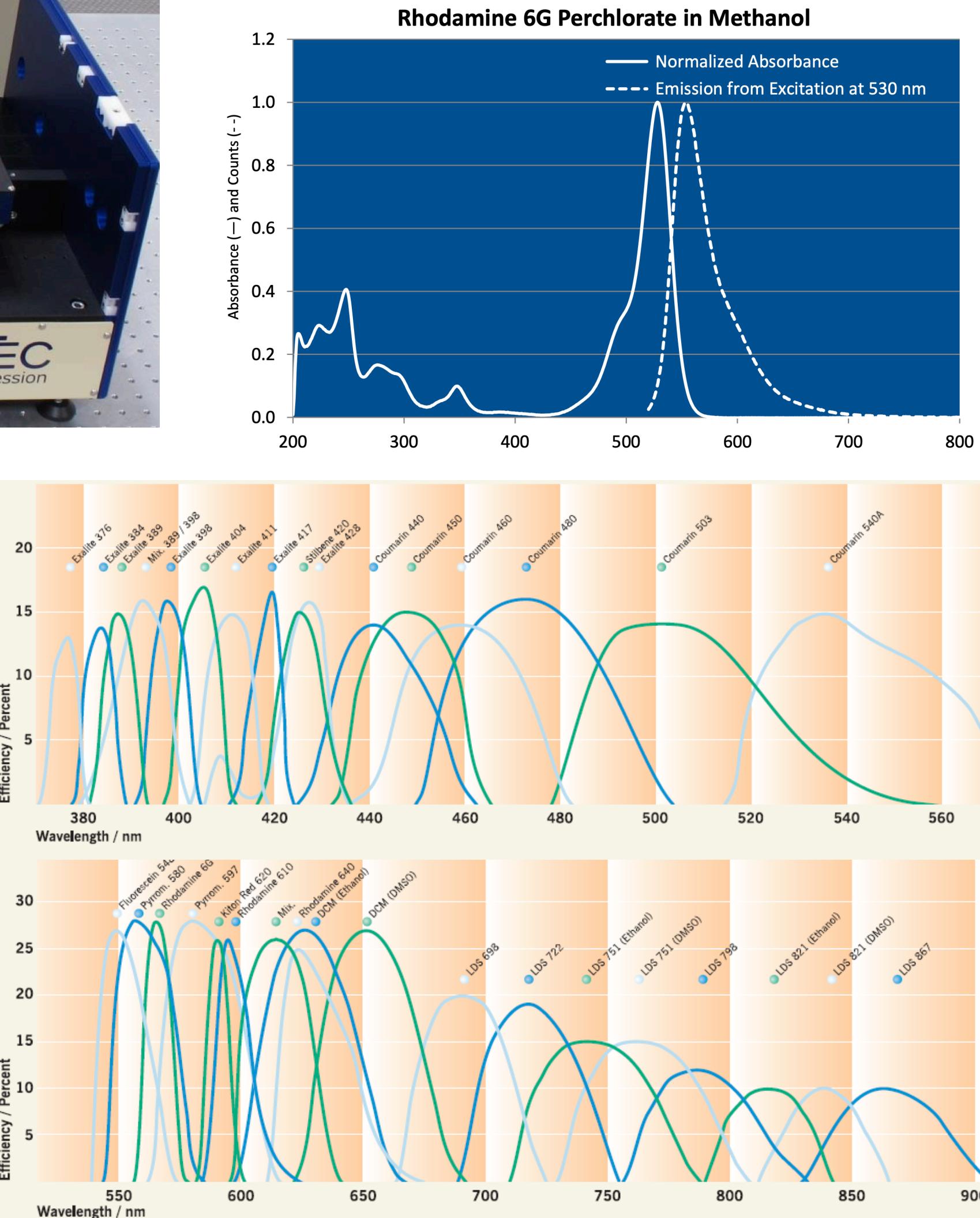
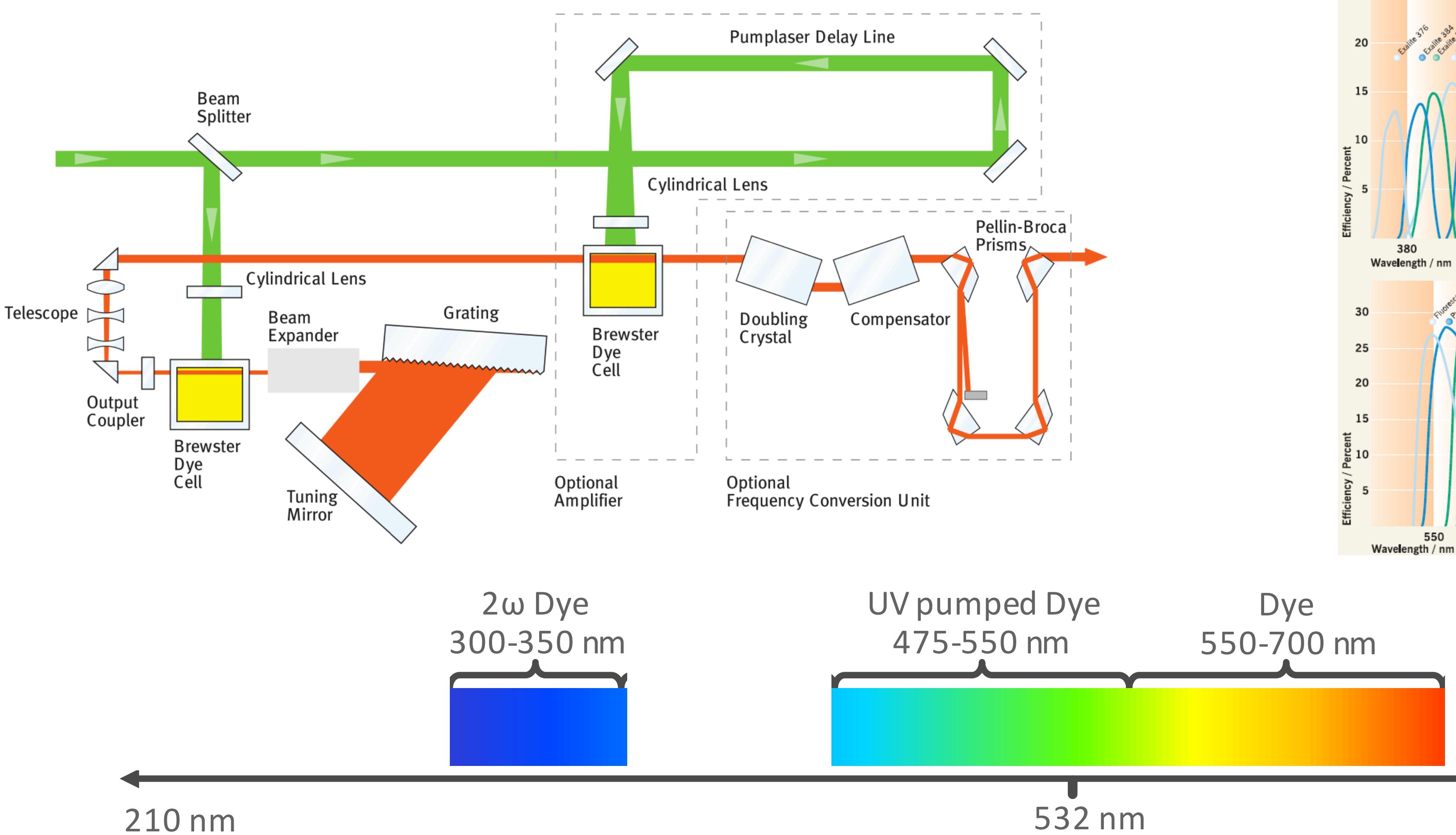
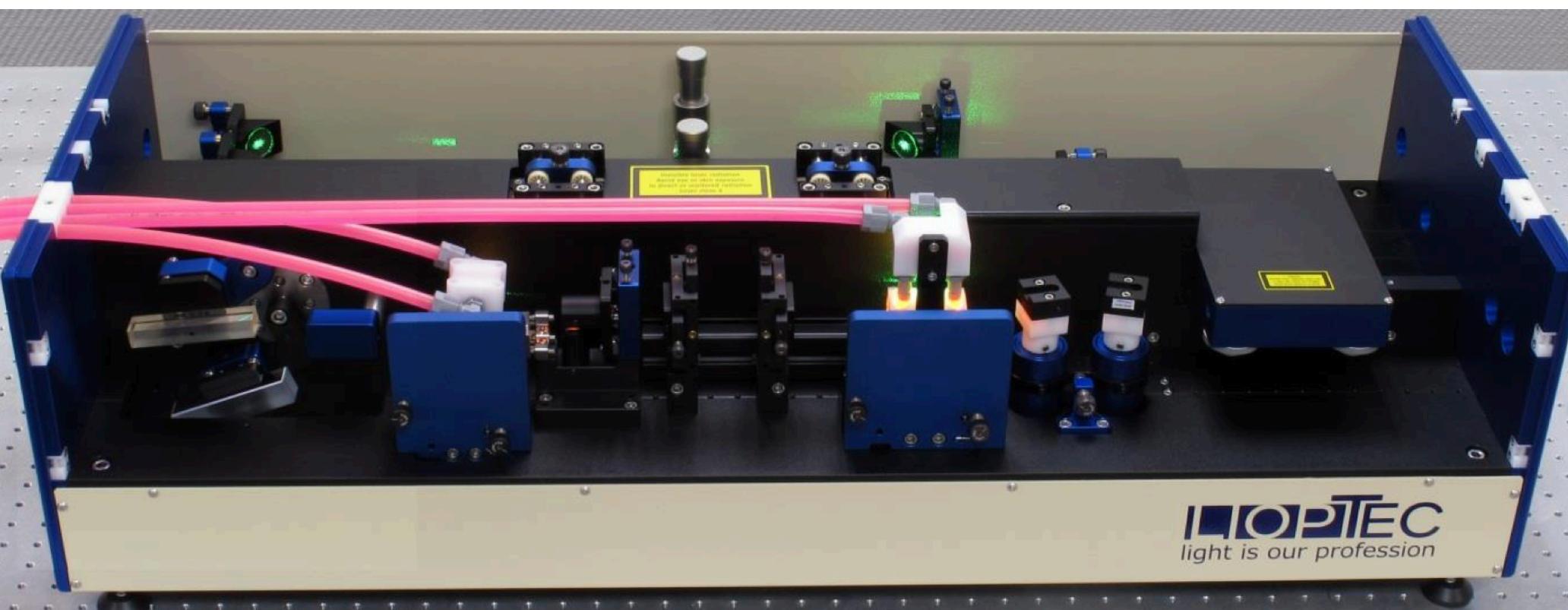
# 6 tuneable lasers

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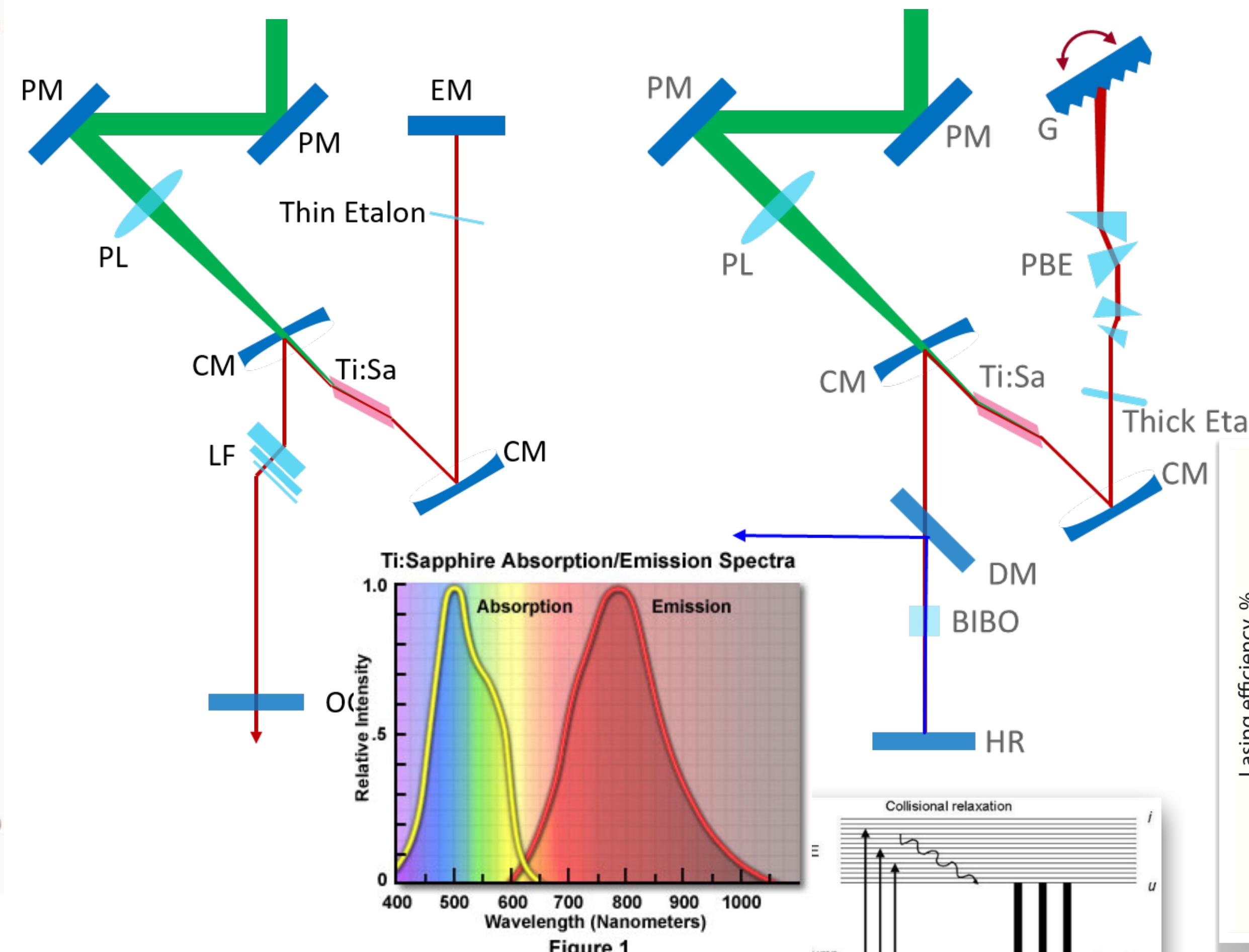
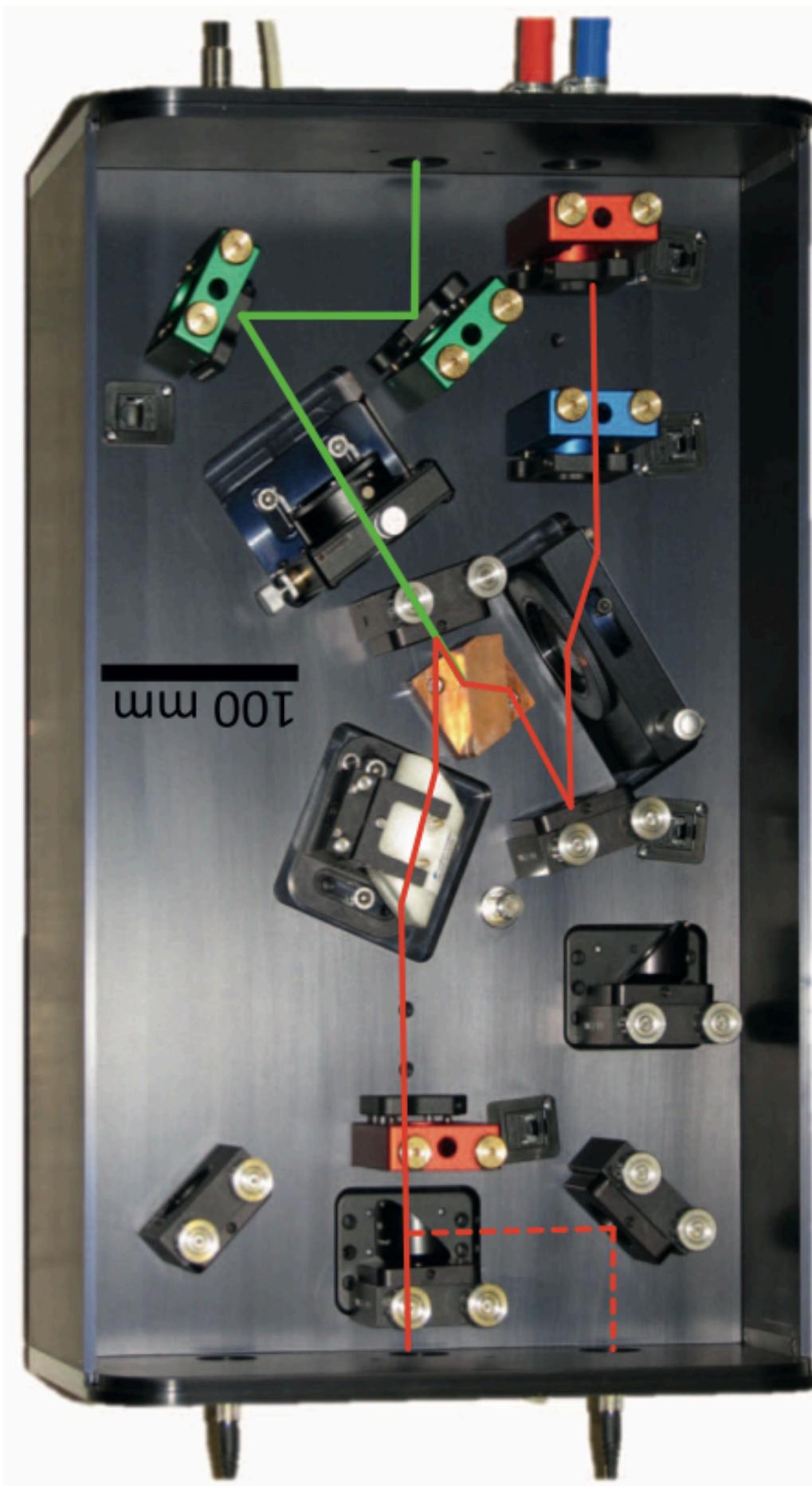
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Feasible					Dye schemes tested					Ti:Sa schemes tested					Dye and Ti:Sa schemes tested						

+ MEDICIS (MELISSA), Offline 2 , LARIS

# Dye laser



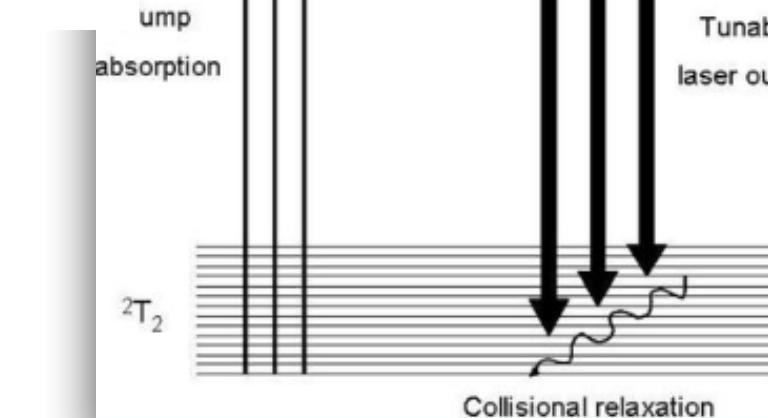
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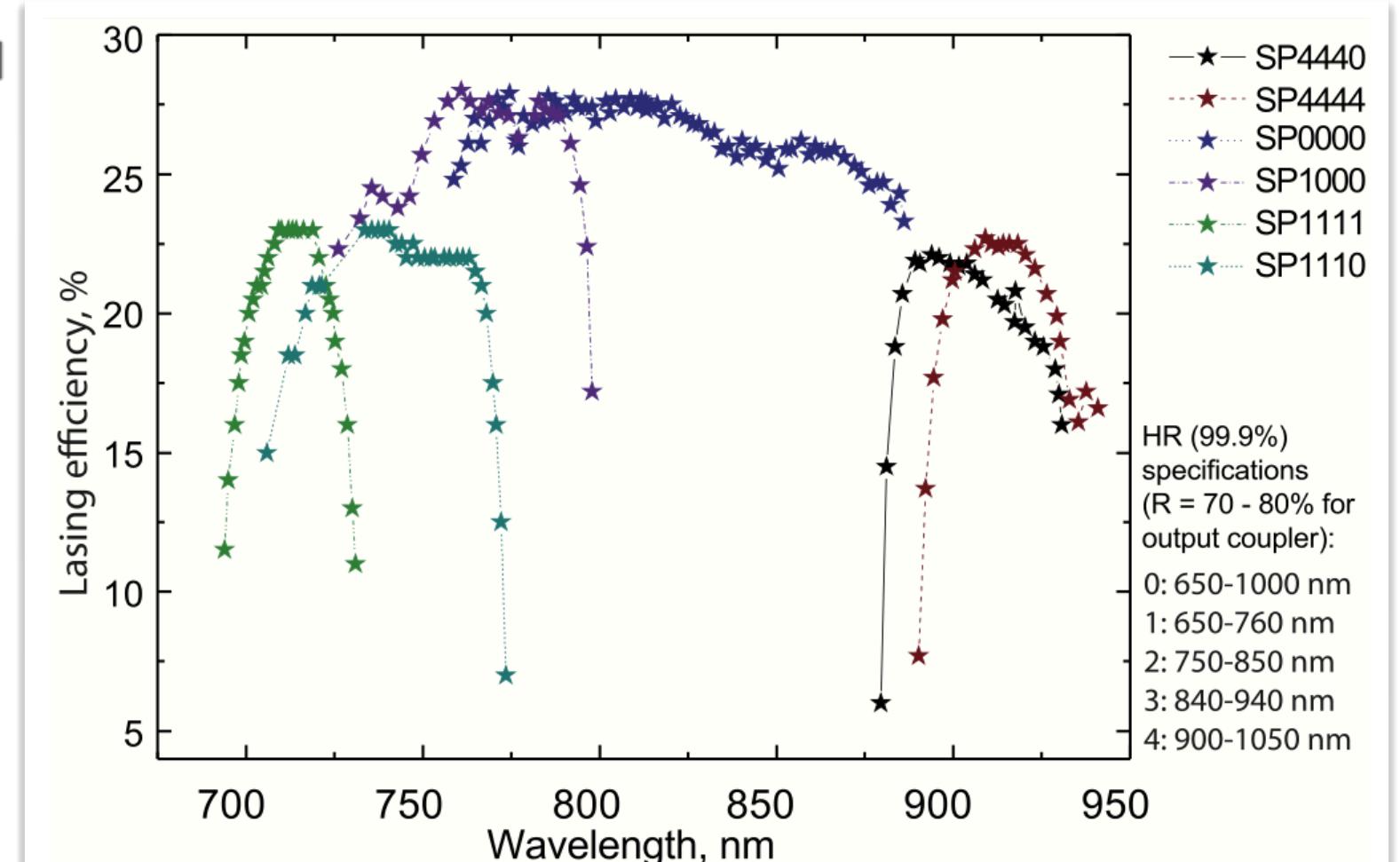
4 $\omega$  Ti:Sa    3 $\omega$  Ti:Sa  
210-230 nm    230-270 nm



2 $\omega$  Ti:Sa  
350-475 nm



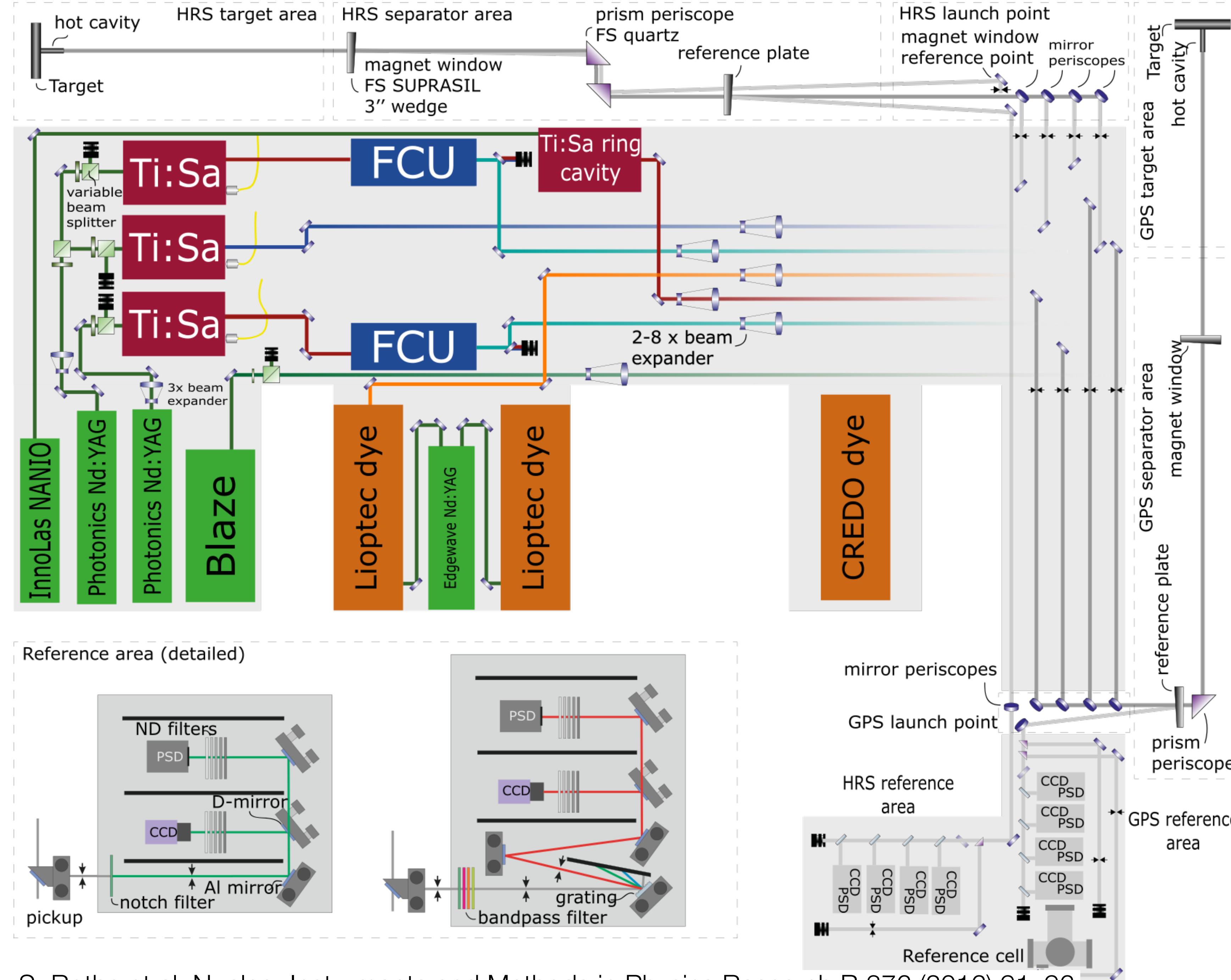
Ti:Sa  
700-950 nm



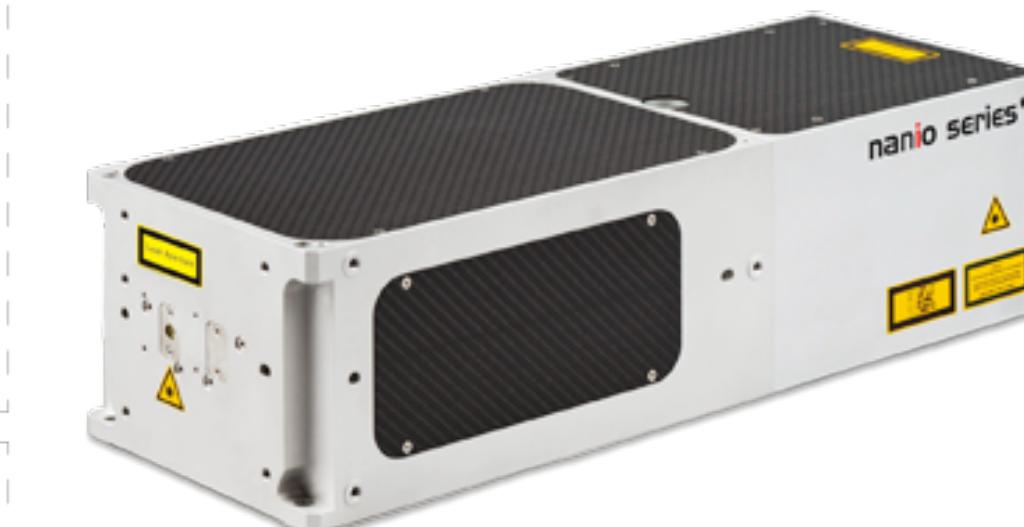
210 nm

532 nm

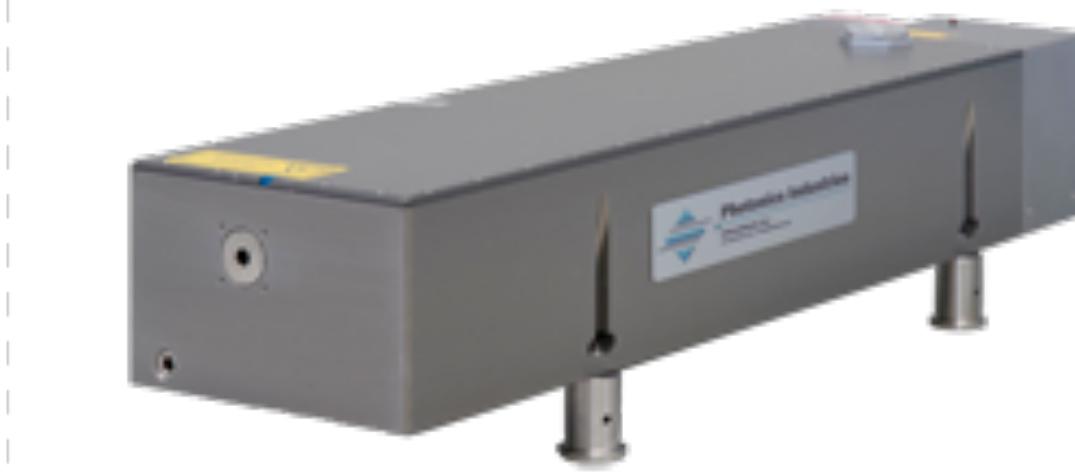
950 nm



## TiSa pump lasers



18 W, 40 ns,  
532 nm



60 W, 150 ns,  
532 nm

## Dye pump laser



10 kHz (9 ns), 100 W @ 532 nm  
 $\omega_x = 57.2 \mu\text{m}$   
 $\omega_y = 57.2 \mu\text{m}$

TEM 00

$M^2 = 1.1$   
Circular,  
gaussian  
beam

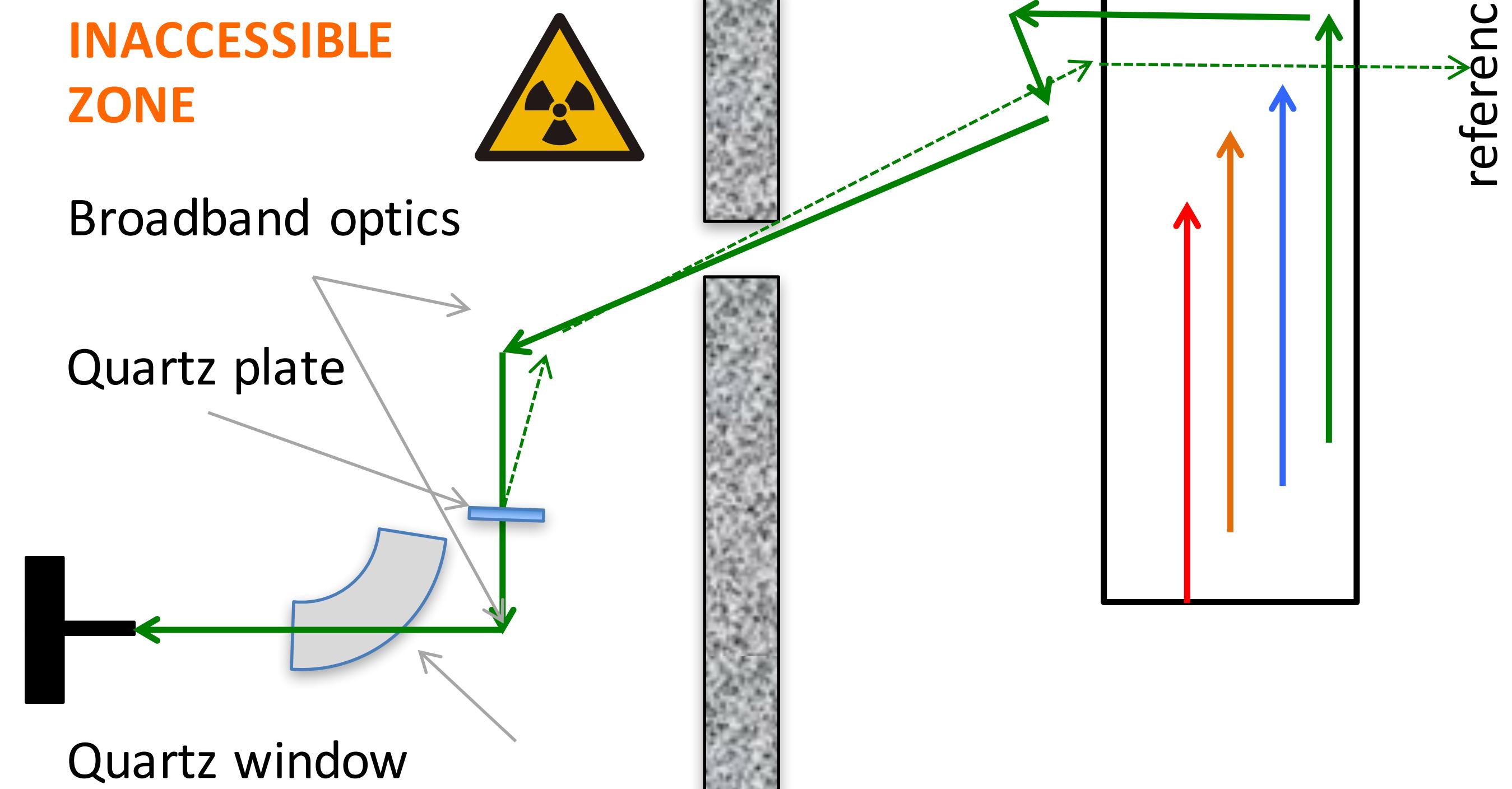
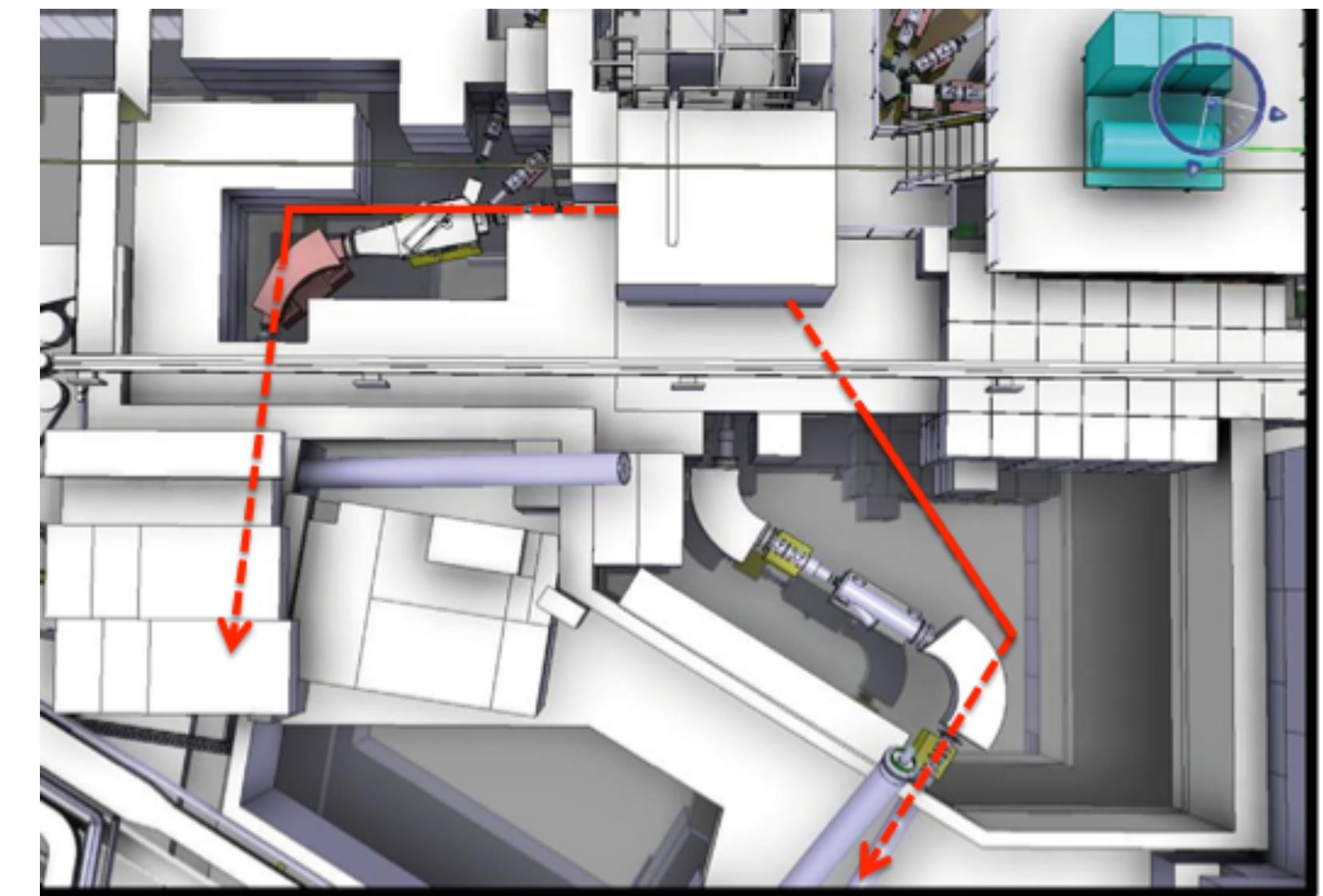
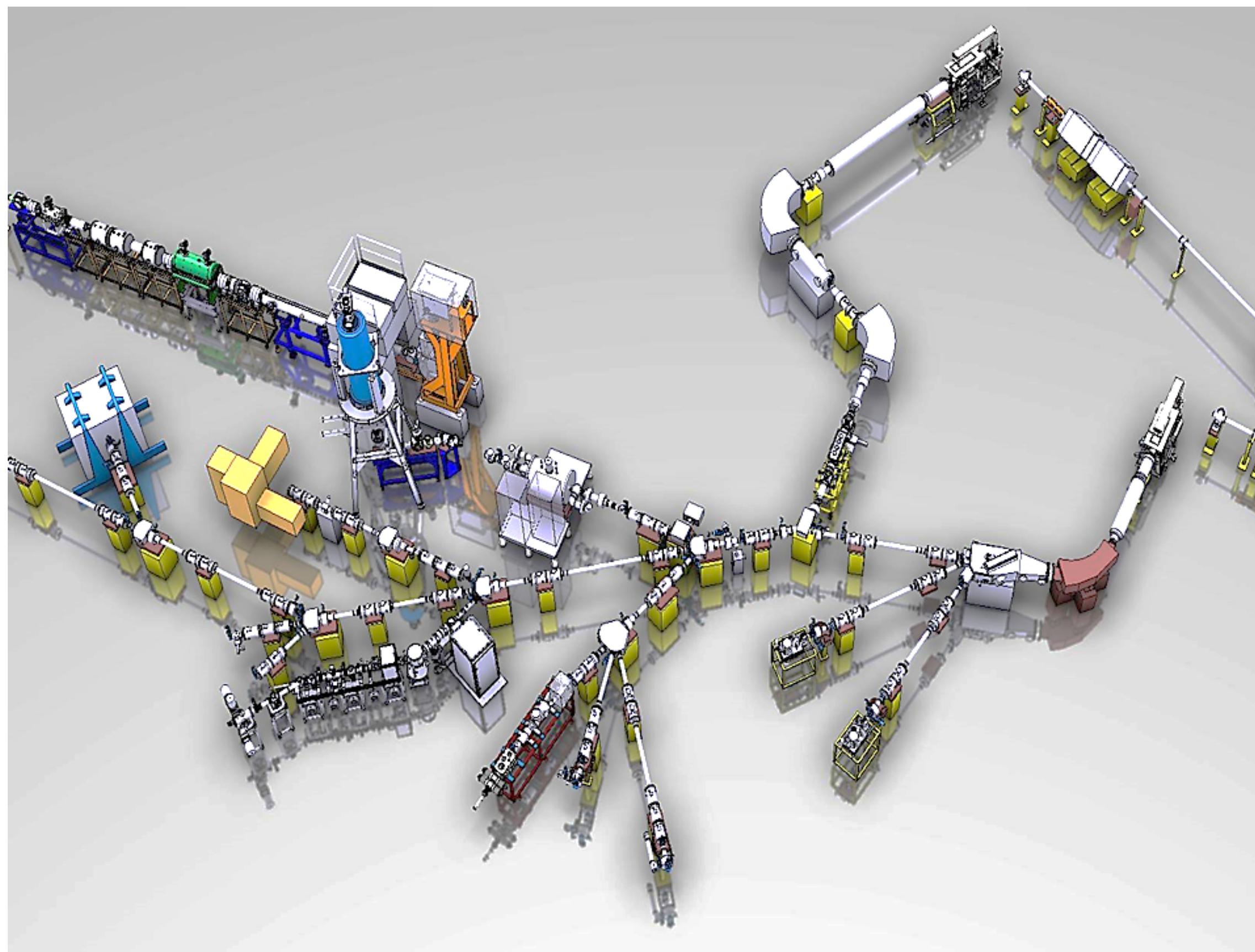
## Non-resonant ionisation



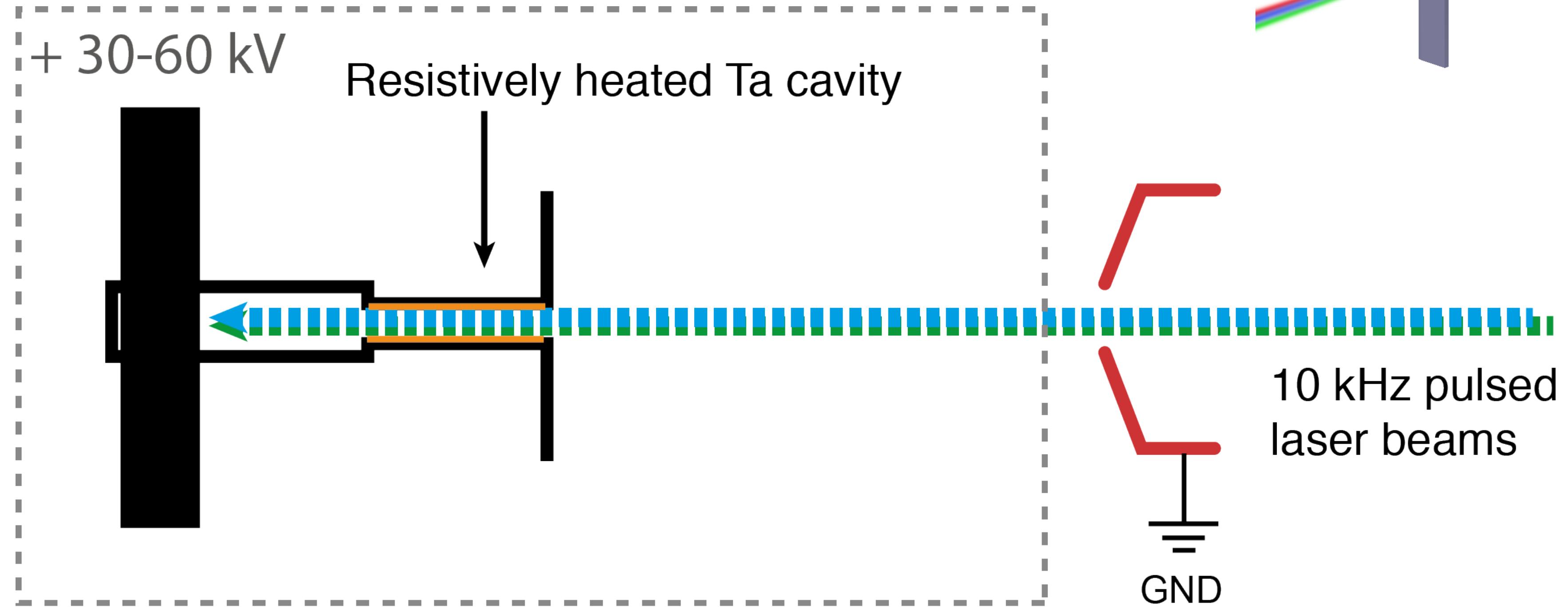
40 W, 17 ns,  
532 nm

**LUMERA**  
**LASER**

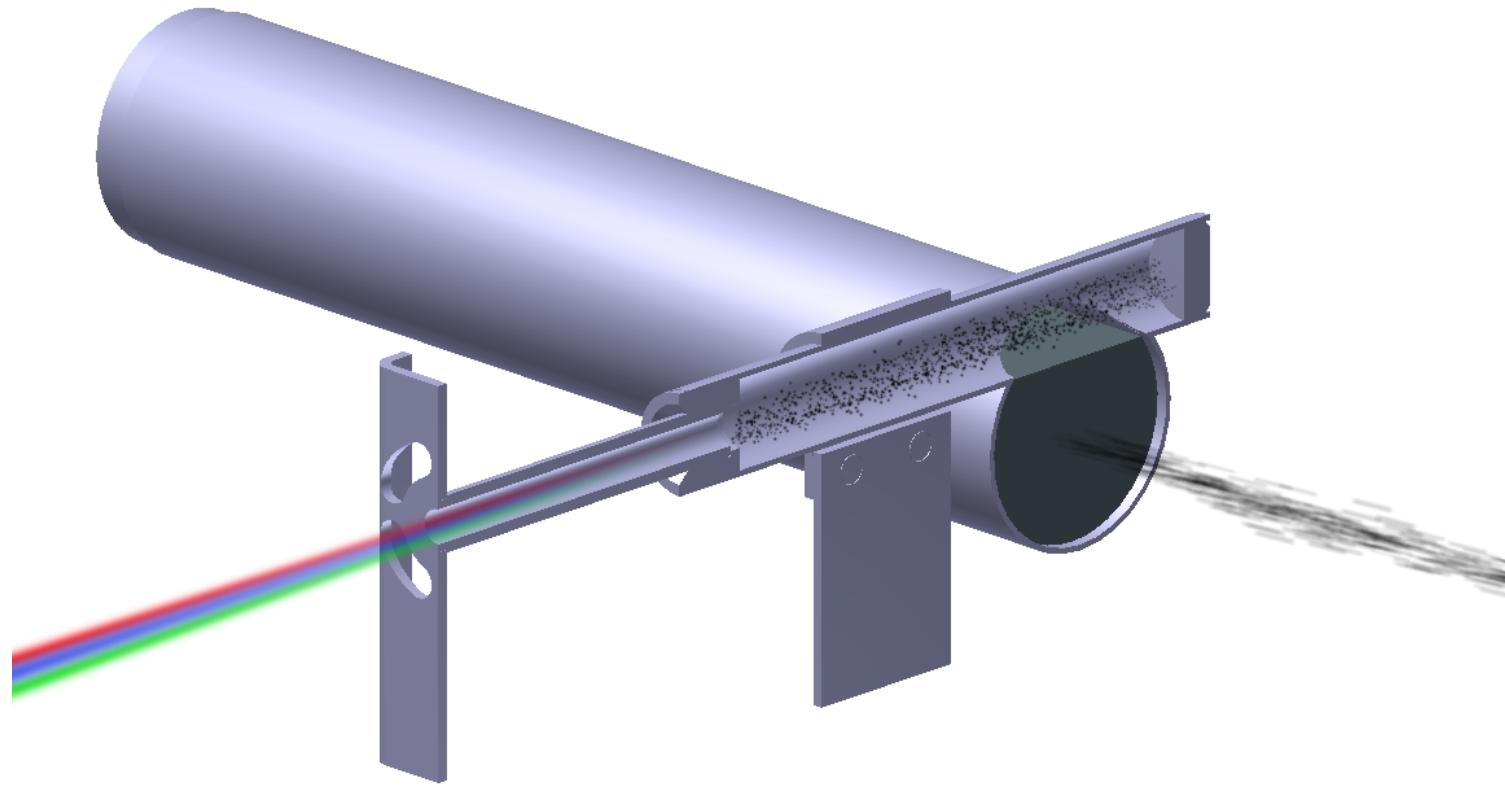
# Beam transport to targets

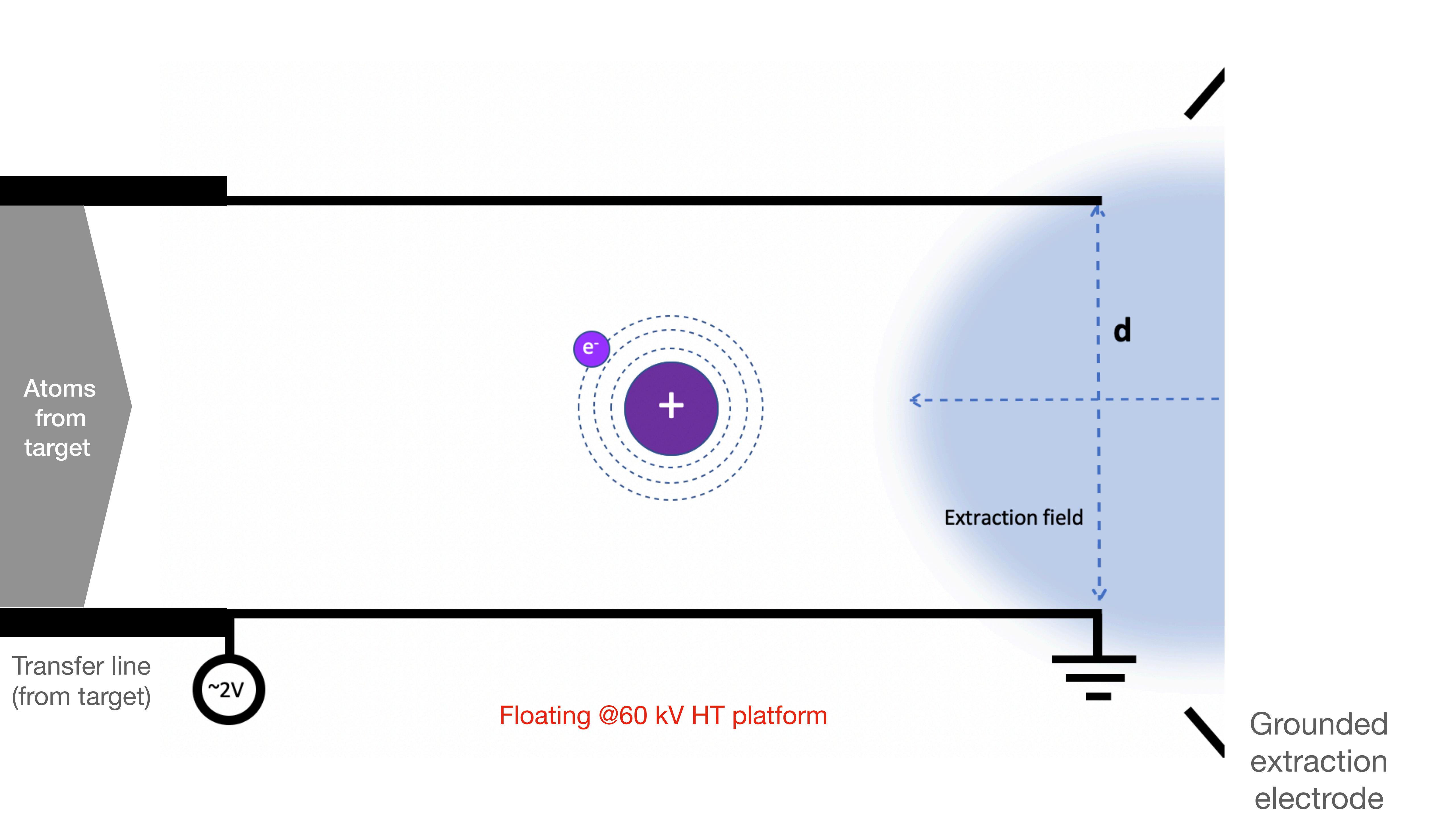


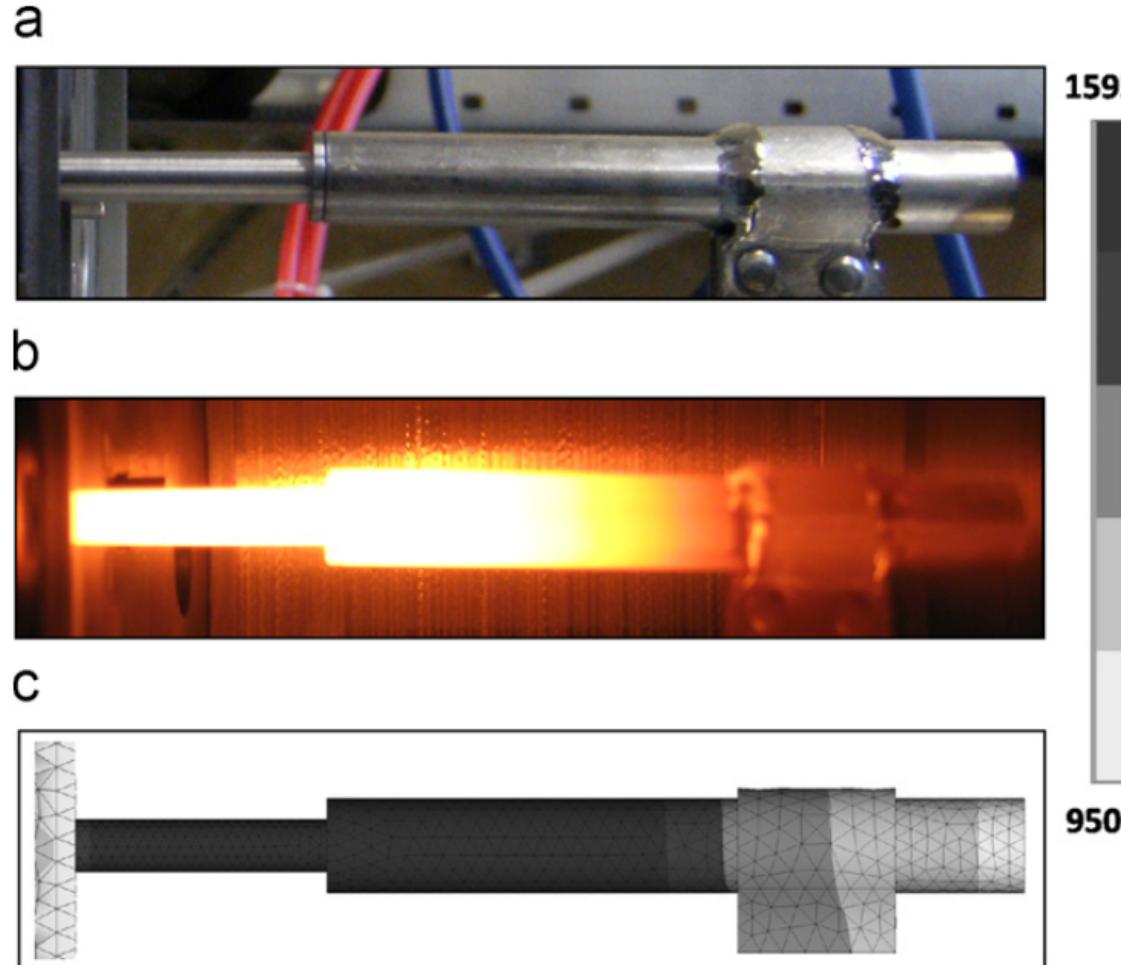
# Hot-cavity RILIS



- Simple, robust, reliable
- Problem with surface-ionised isobars
- Ion capacity limit in the range of 10-100 nA





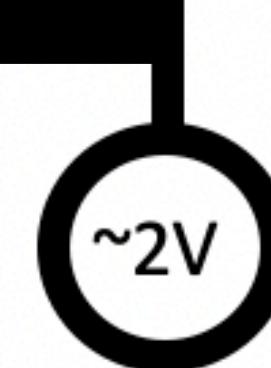


SPES ion source and transfer line\*. (a) Source at room temperature. (b) Source at 300A line current. (c) Simulated model

\* M. Manzolaro et al. Thermal–electric numerical simulation of a surface ion source for the production of radioactive ion beams.

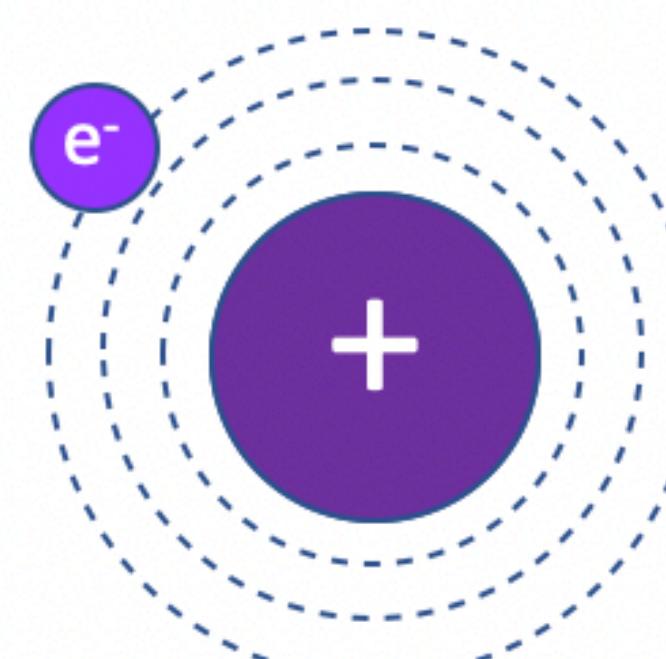
Atoms  
from  
target

Transfer line  
(from target)



Resistive heating to ~2000 C

Floating @60 kV HT platform



Extraction field



Grounded  
extraction  
electrode

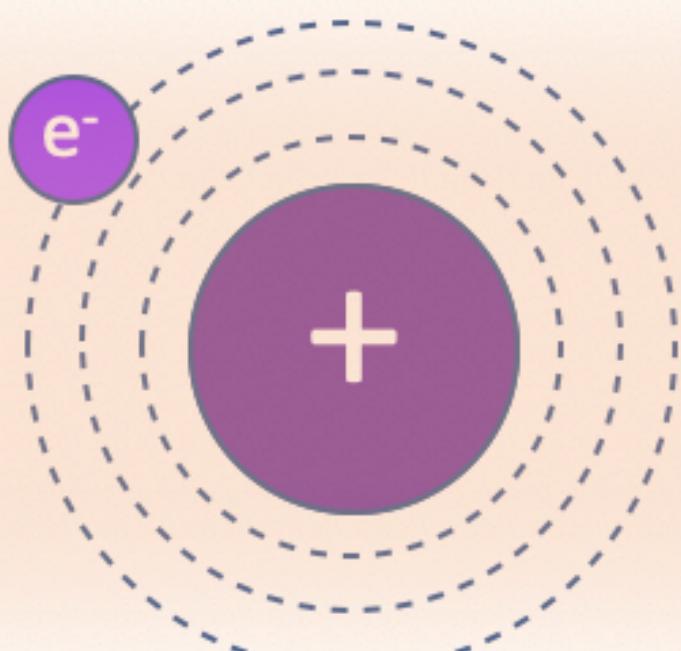
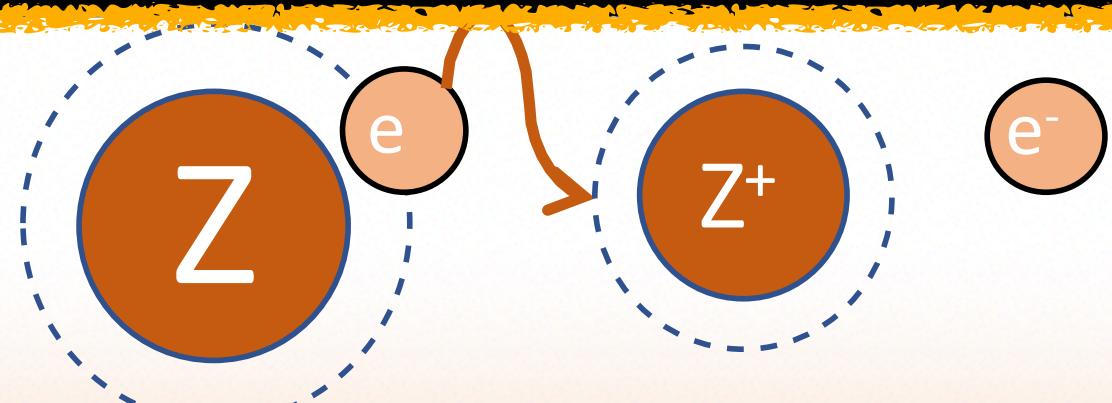
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### Surface ionization efficiency

$$\frac{n_i}{n_0} = \frac{g_i}{g_0} \exp\left(\frac{\Phi - E_{IP}}{k_B T}\right)$$

Ion density      Work function      Ionization potential  
 Neutral density      Statistical weights      Boltzmann constant      Temperature

### Surface ionization

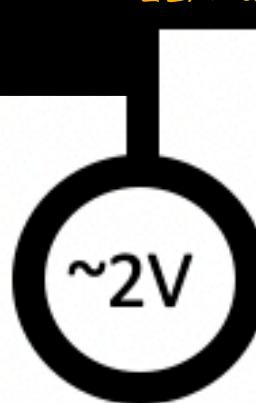


Confining potential\*\*

Plasma potential with respect to plasma enclosure

$$\Phi_p = \frac{k_B T}{e} \ln \left[ \frac{n_i}{n_e} \right]$$

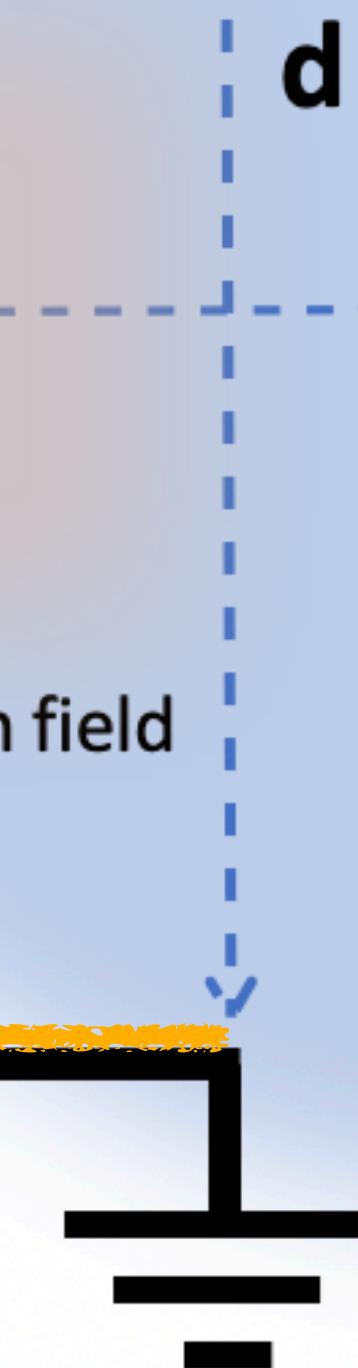
Ion density      Electron charge  
 Electron density



Thermionic emission

Resistive heating to  $\sim 2000$  C

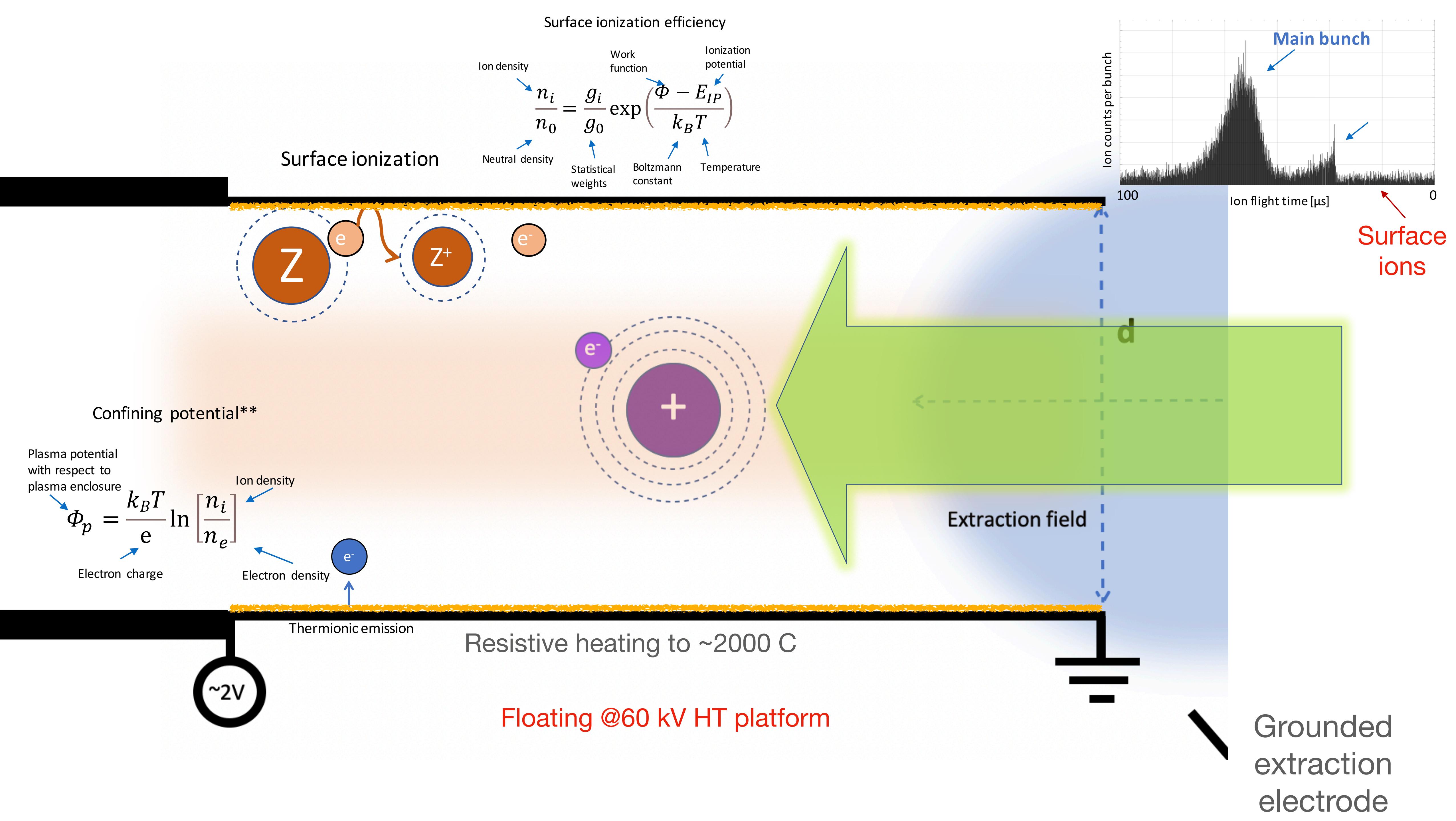
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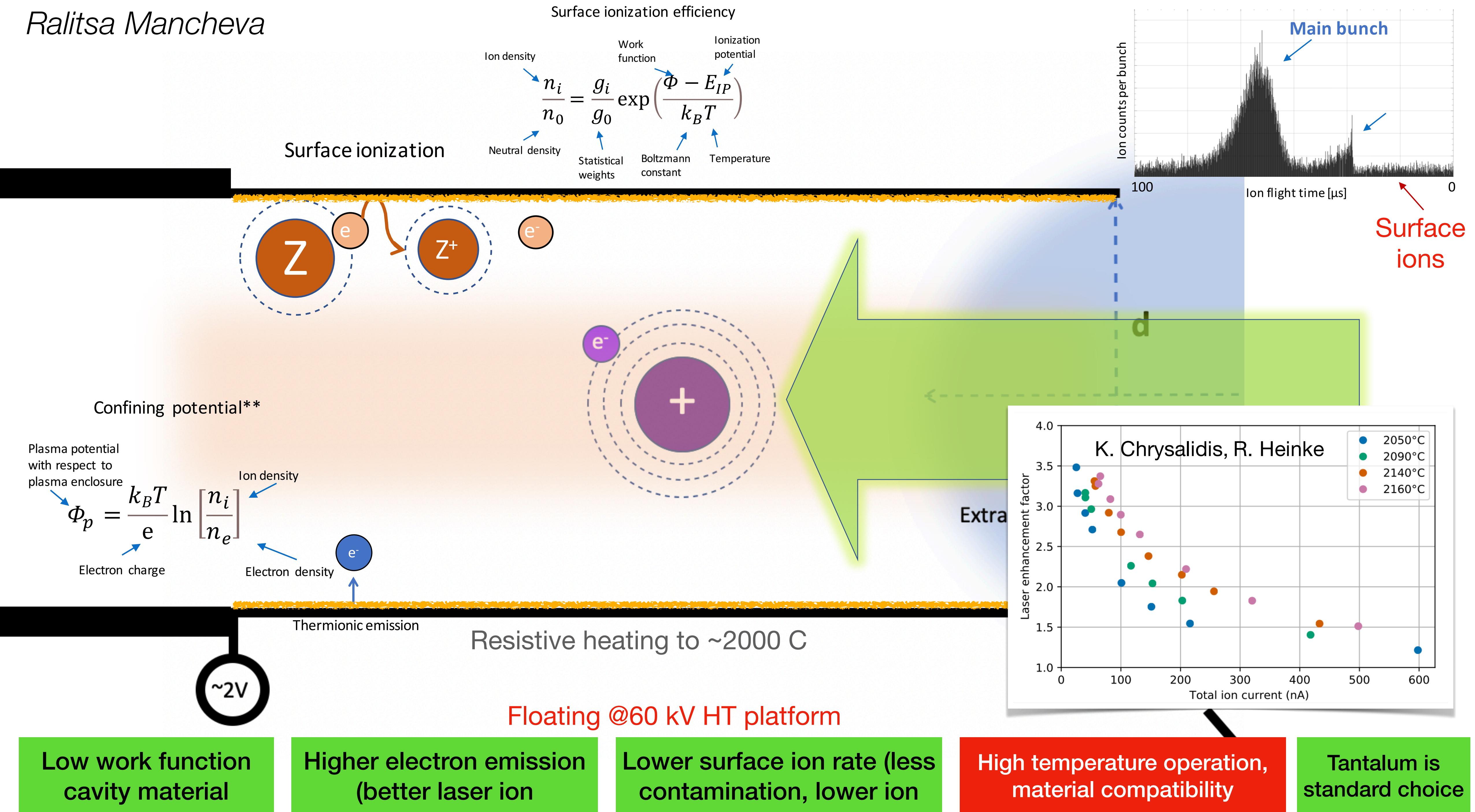


Grounded extraction electrode

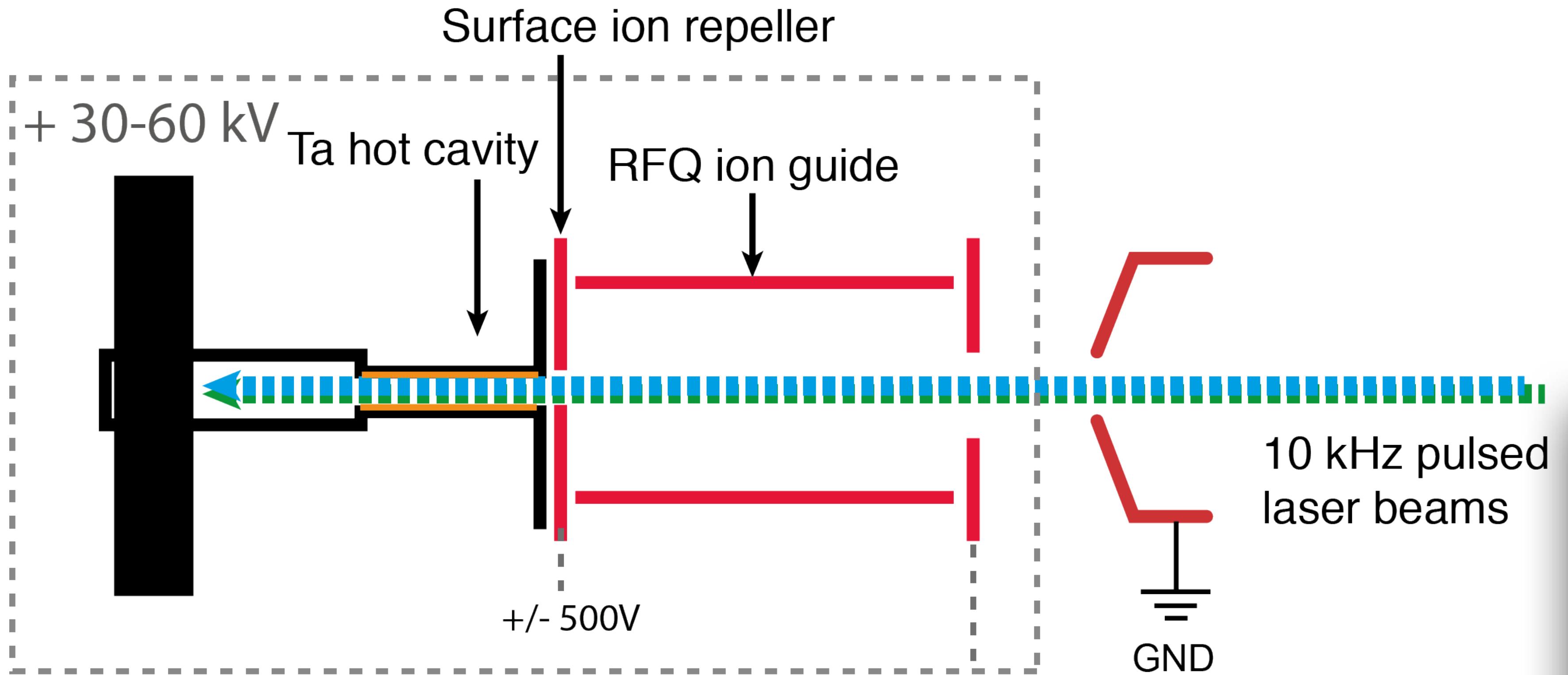
\* V. Panteleev et al. Enhancement of ionization efficiency of surface, electron bombardment and laser ion sources by axial magnetic field application

\*\* R. Kirchner. Progress in ion source development for on-line separators.

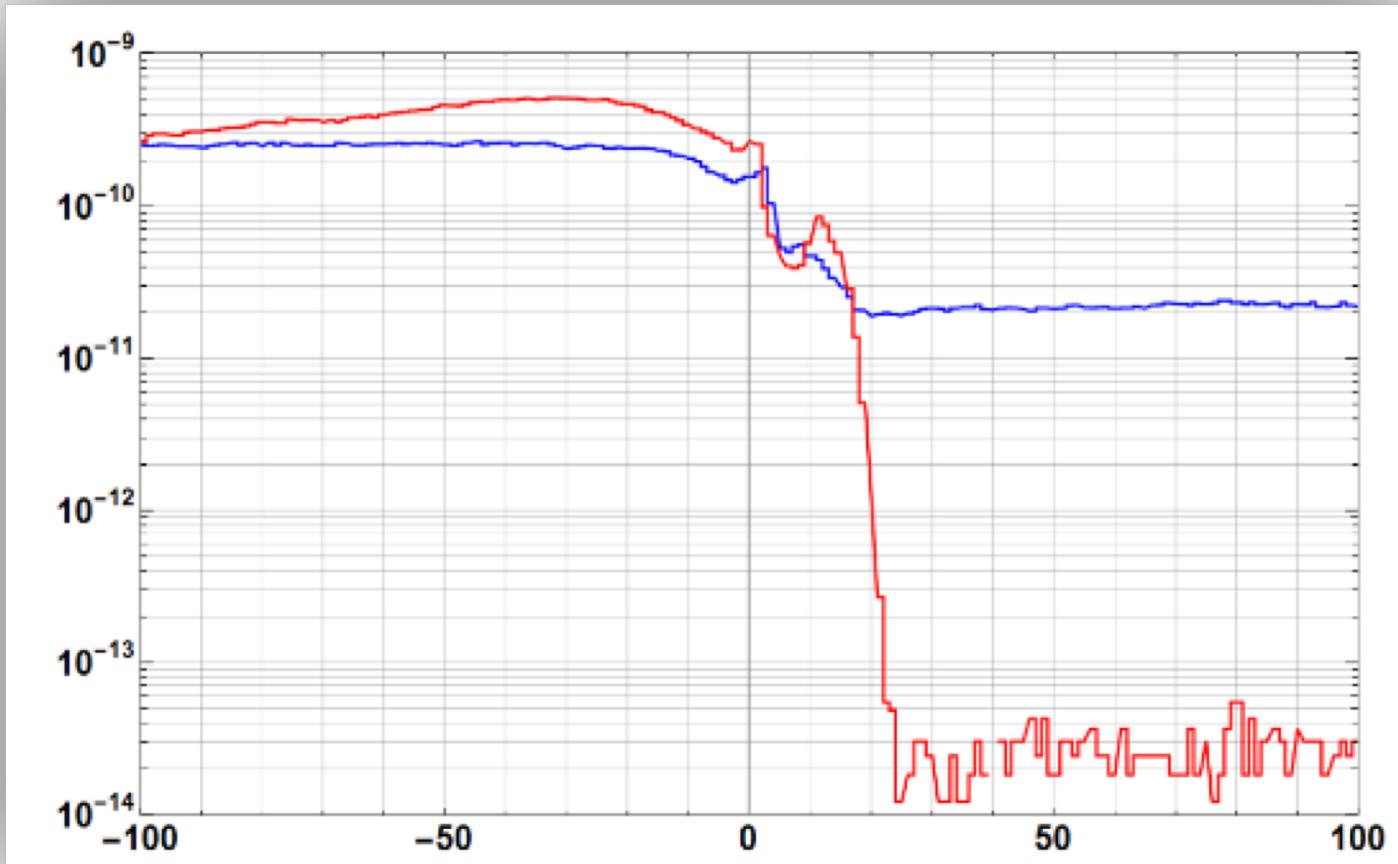
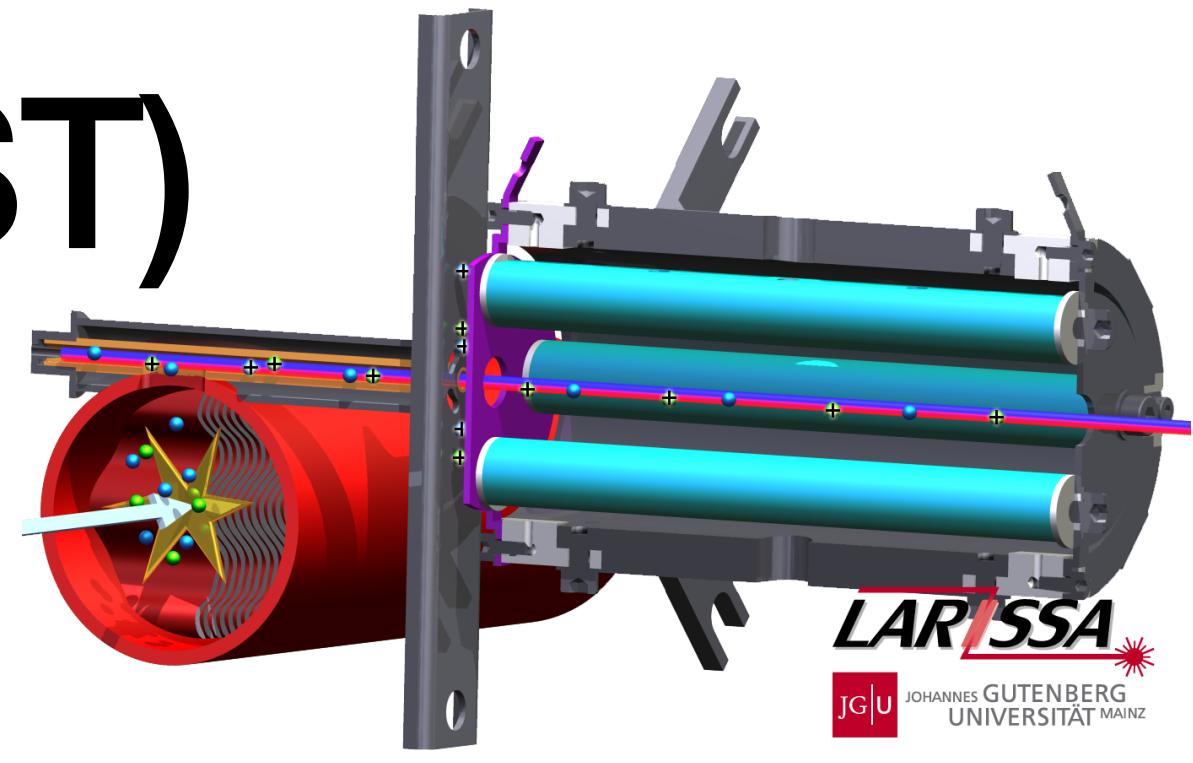




# Laser Ion Source Trap (LIST)



- >5 orders of magnitude surface ion suppression in LIST mode
- Efficiency loss factor of ~20-50

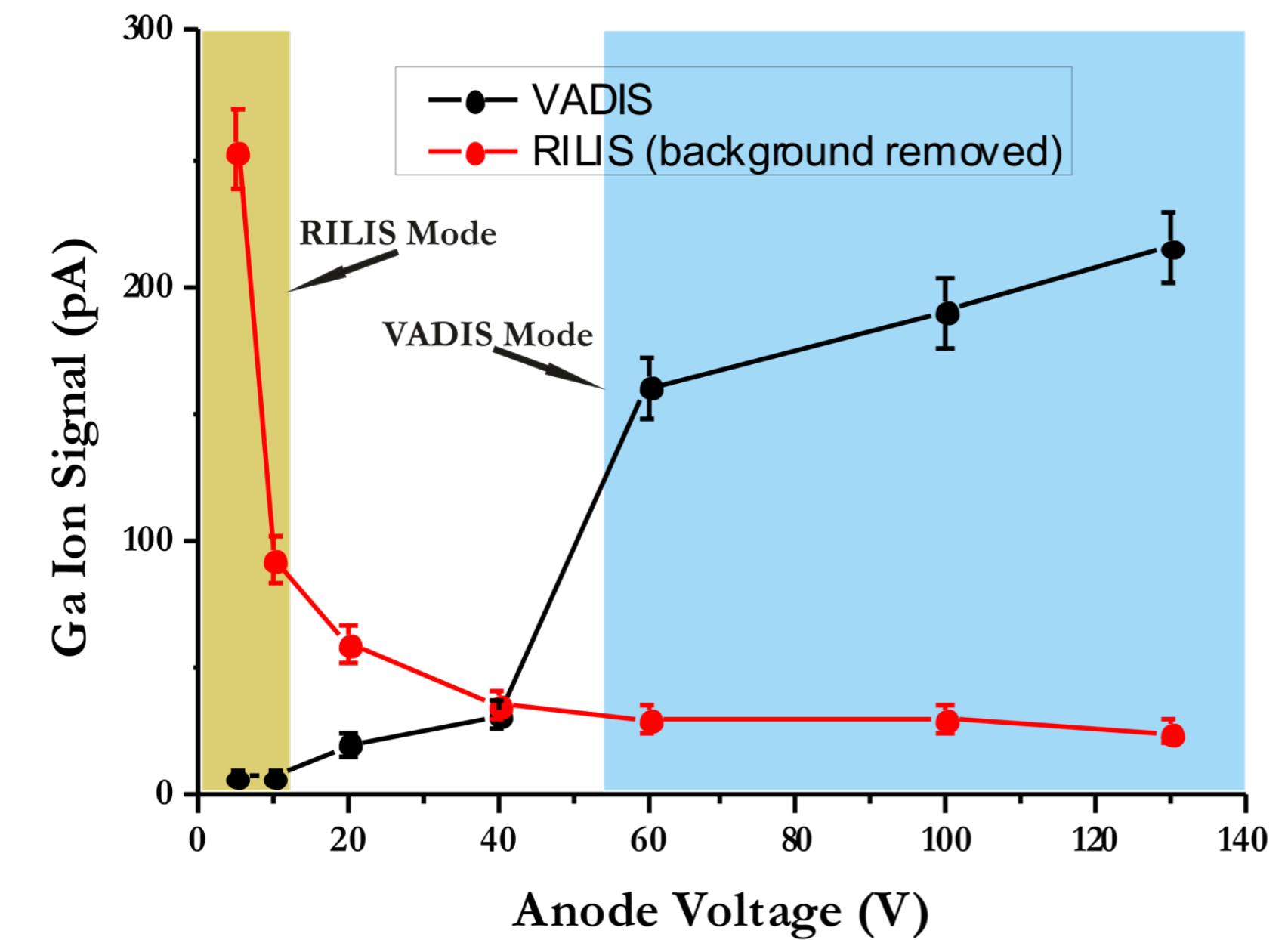
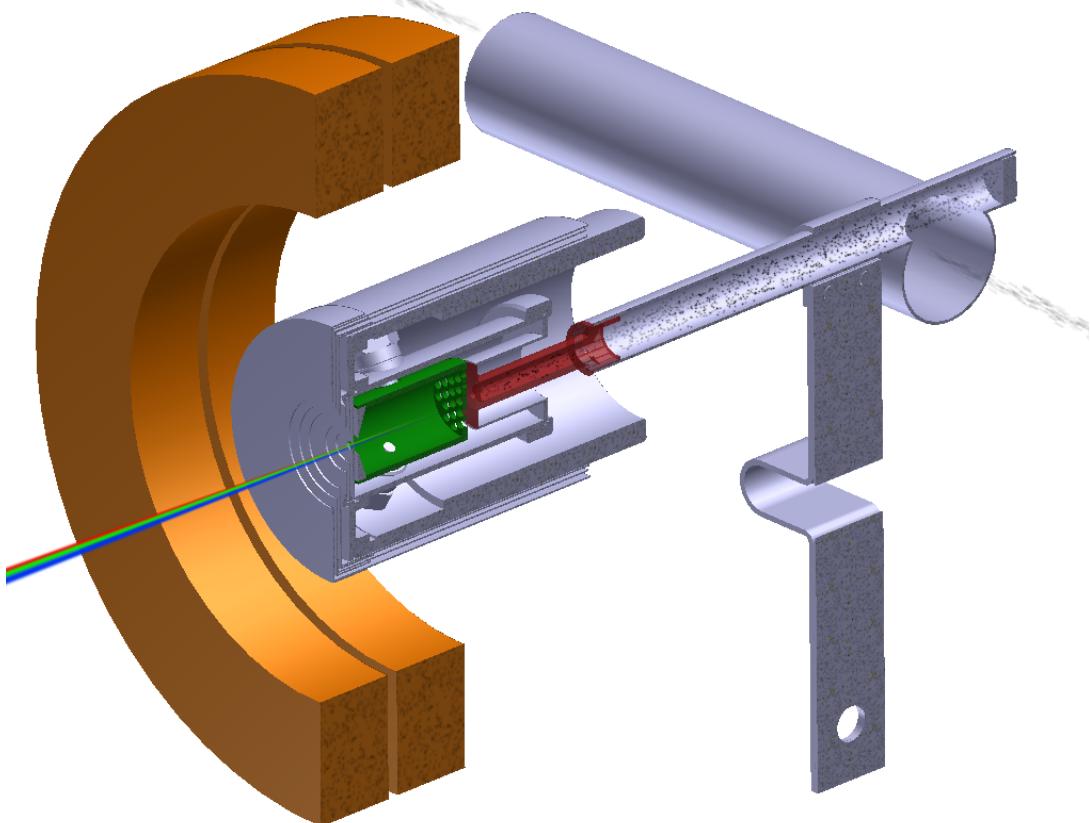
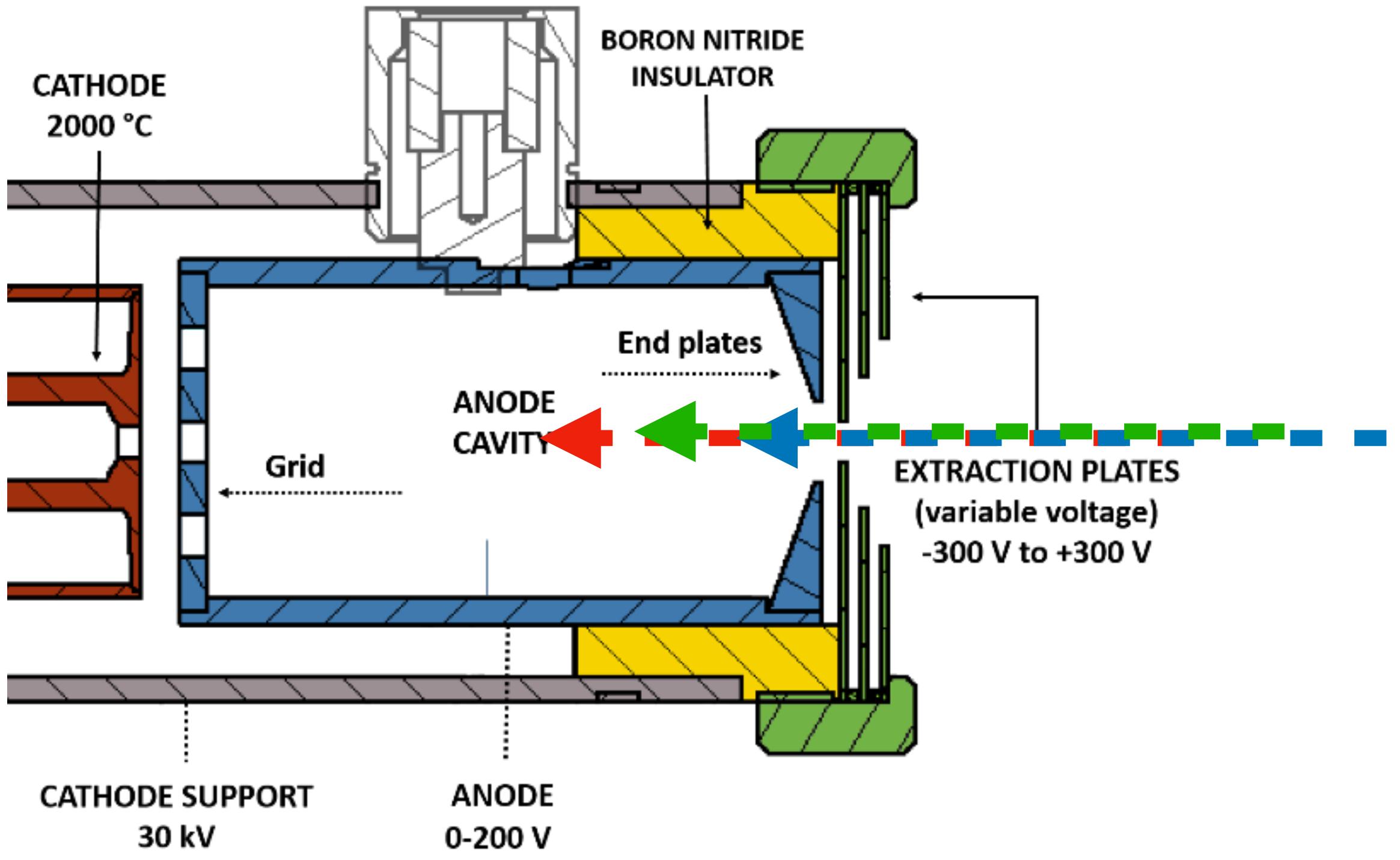


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# Versatile Arc Discharge and Laser Ion Source (VADLIS)



- Modified version of the standard FEBIAD source at ISOLDE
- Ability to turn on/off non selective electron impact ionization
- Molecular breakup with electrons or lasers
- Adjustable extraction voltage and larger volume may improve ion capacity limit to 10 uA range

# OPTimizing ION Sources for medical applications

## The challenge

Maintain efficiency at high evaporation rates

## The goal

Maximum specific activity BEFORE chemical treatment

## Solutions

and /or

## Selectivity

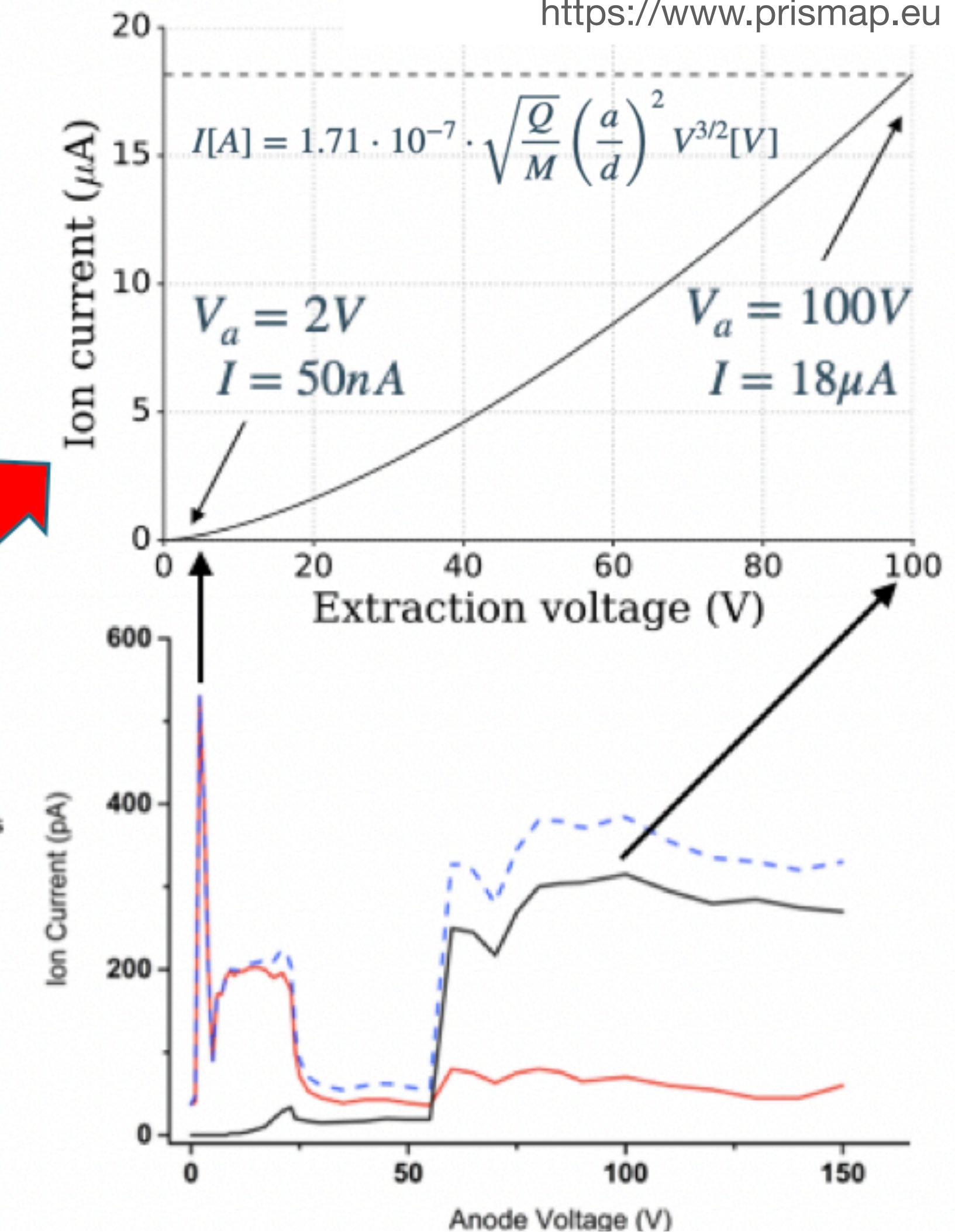
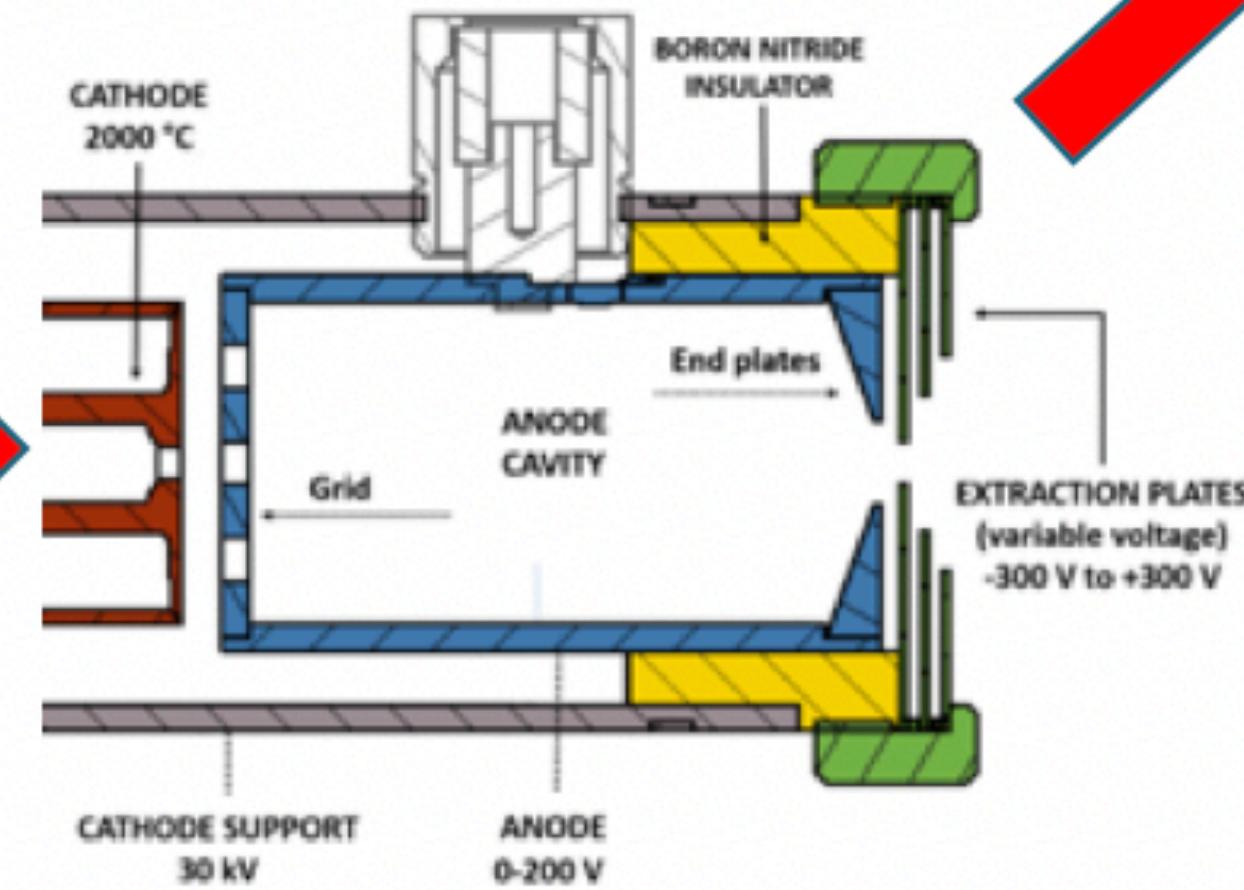
High ion capacity

Modified VADLIS with variable extraction Voltage

Surface Ion Source  
-new materials  
-optimize geometry

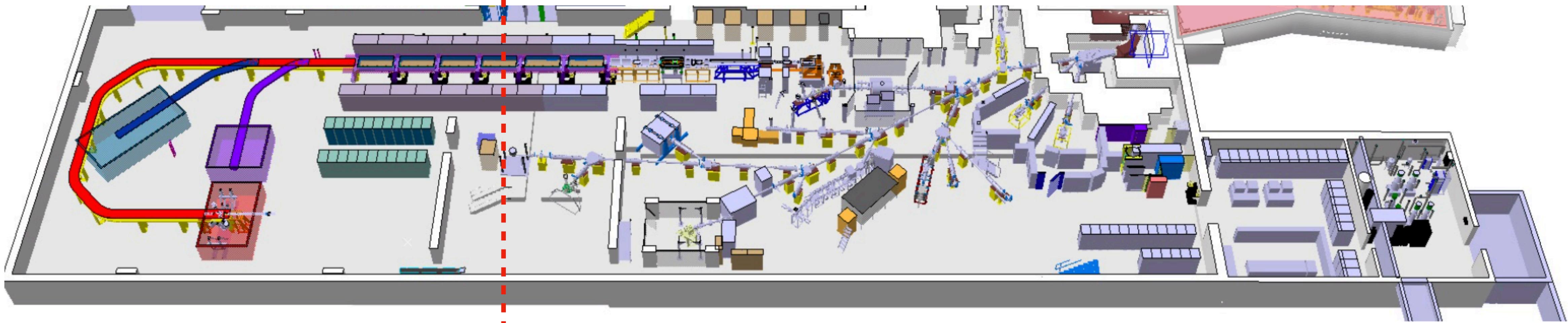
High-voltage laser ion source

FEBIAD/EBIS optimisation



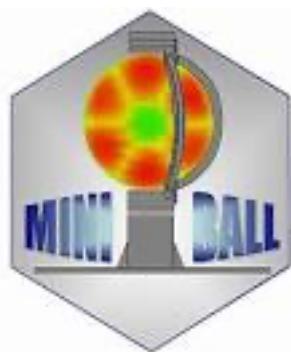
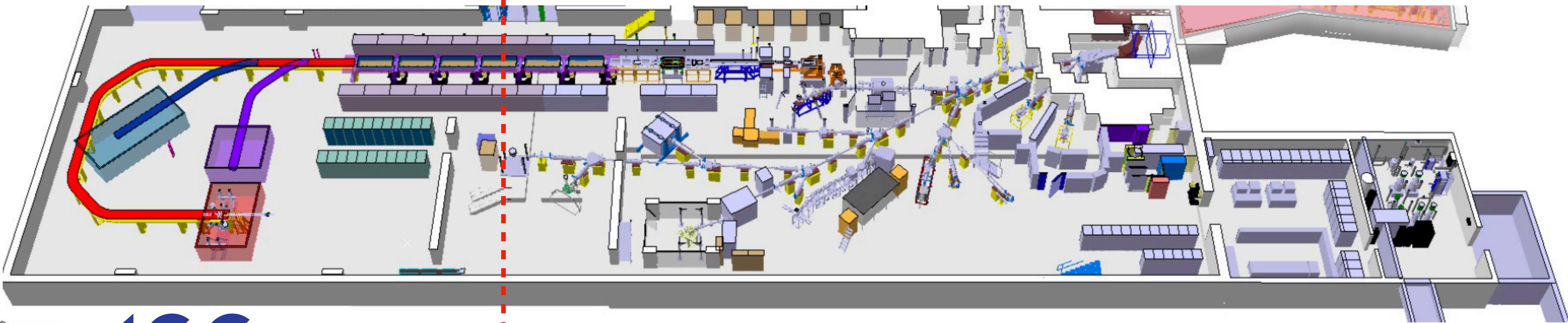
# *RILIS as one of the ISOLDE experiments*

## Low energy nuclear physics (nuclear ground / isomer state properties)



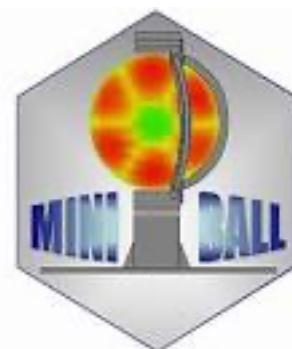
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ISOLDE Solenoidal Spectrometer



Decay modes

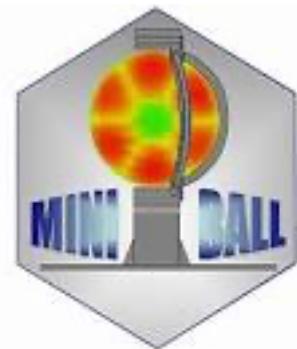
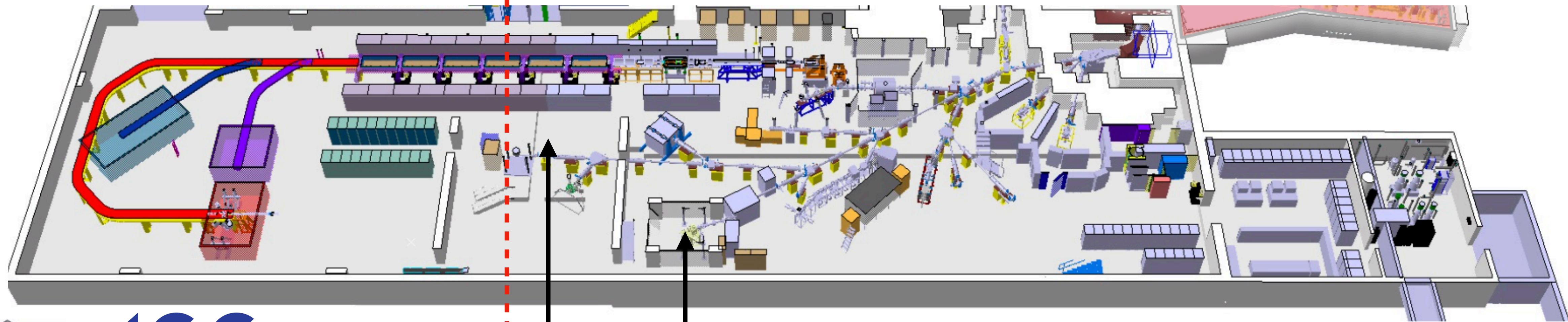
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Nuclear Masses



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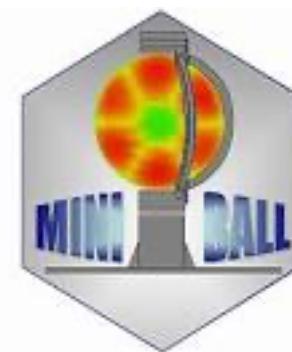
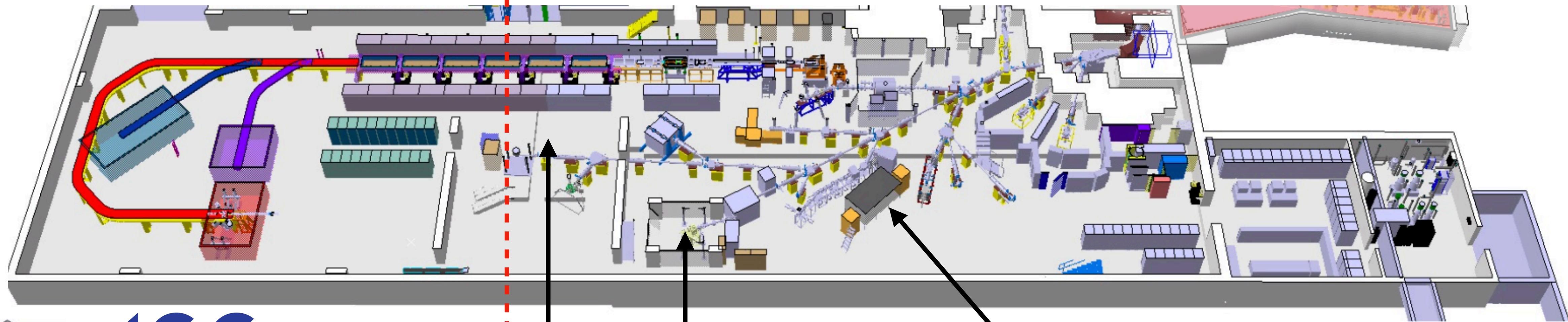
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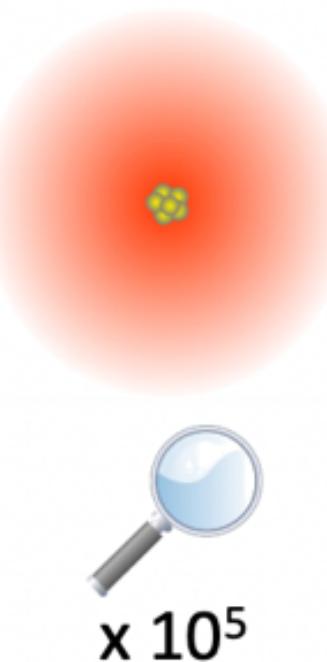
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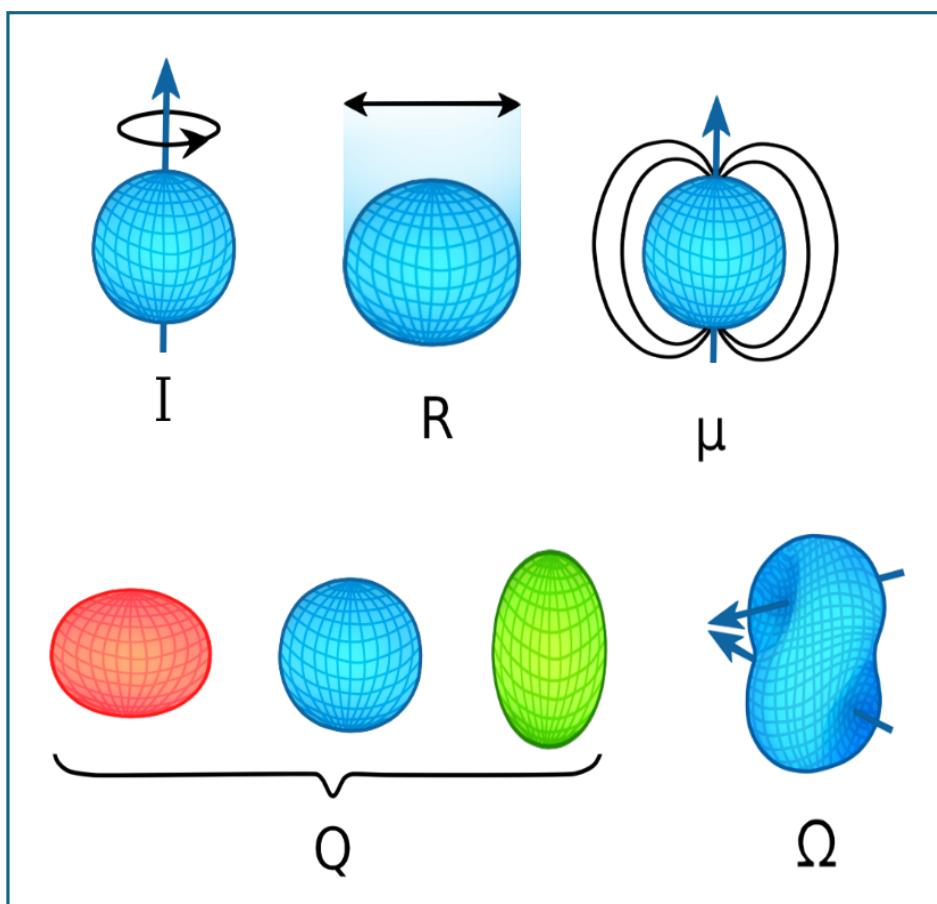
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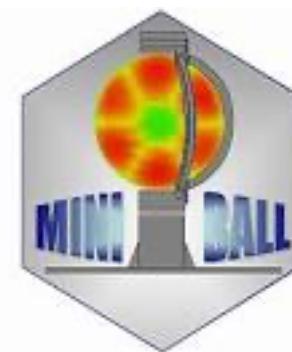
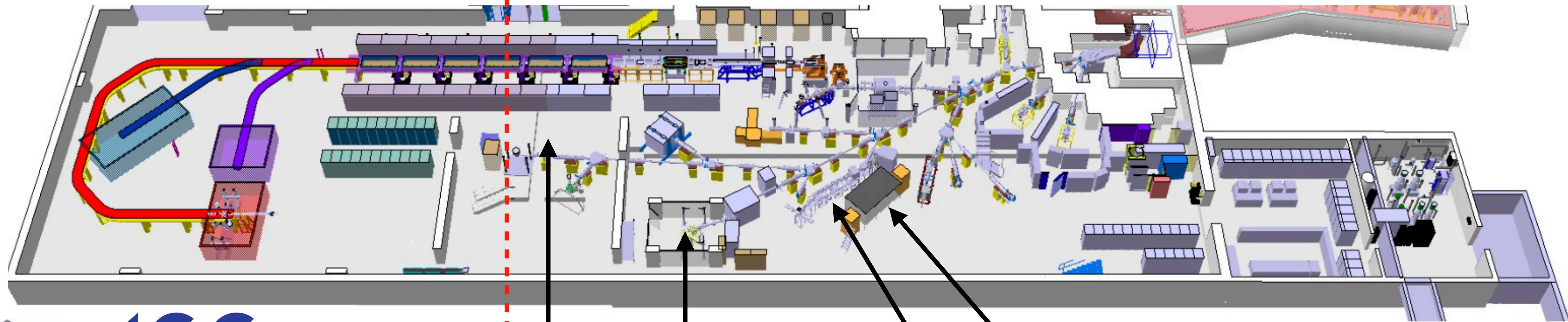


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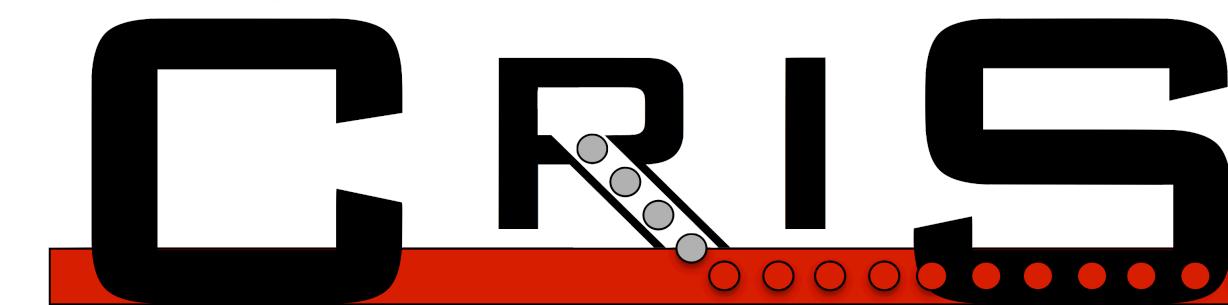
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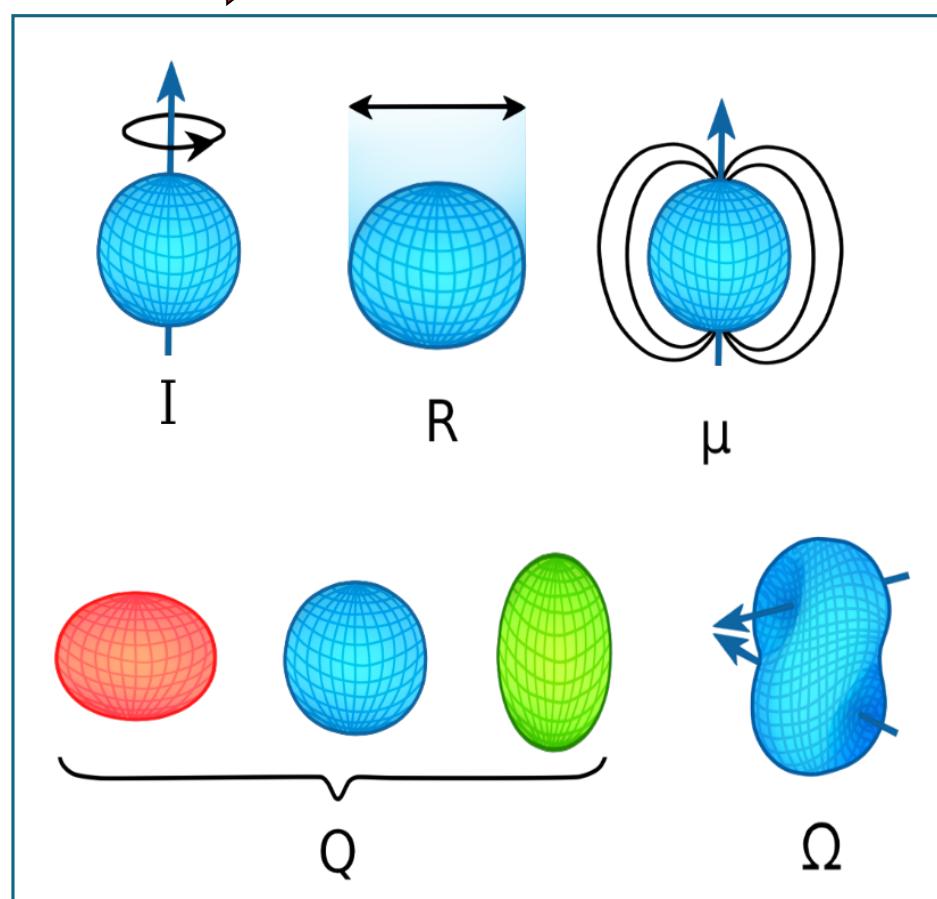
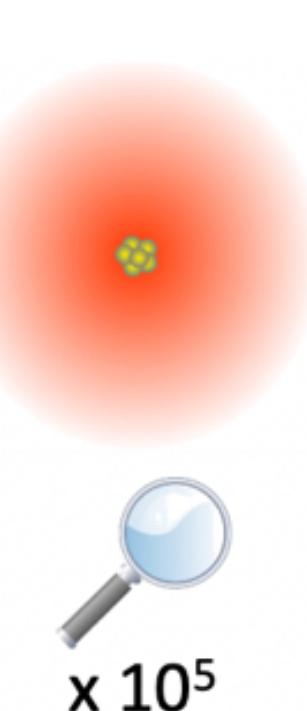


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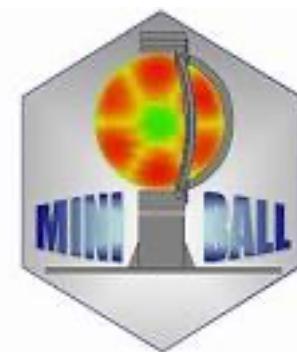
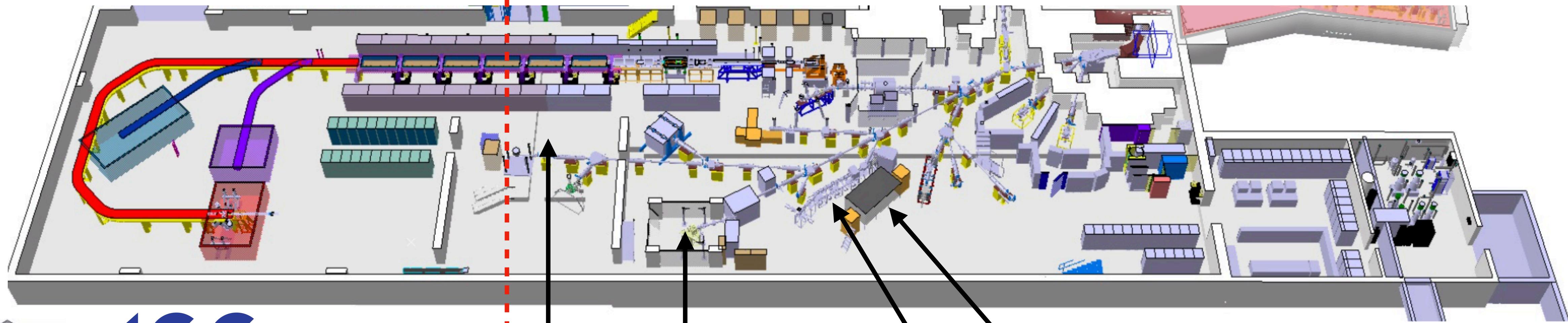
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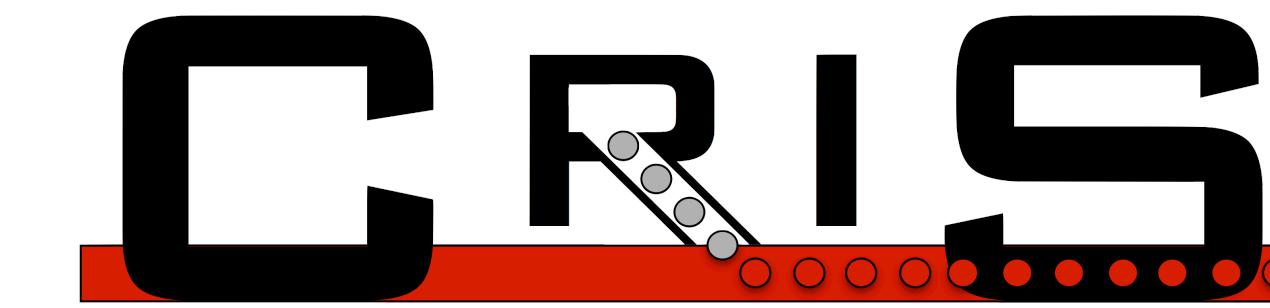
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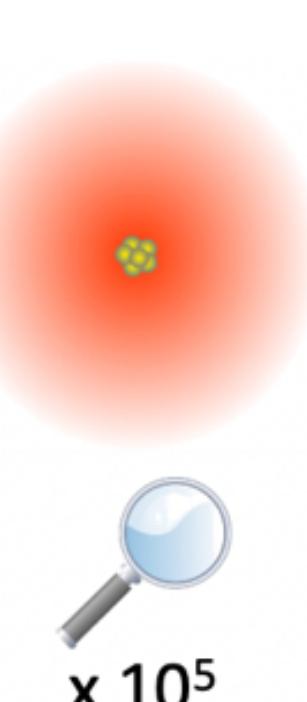


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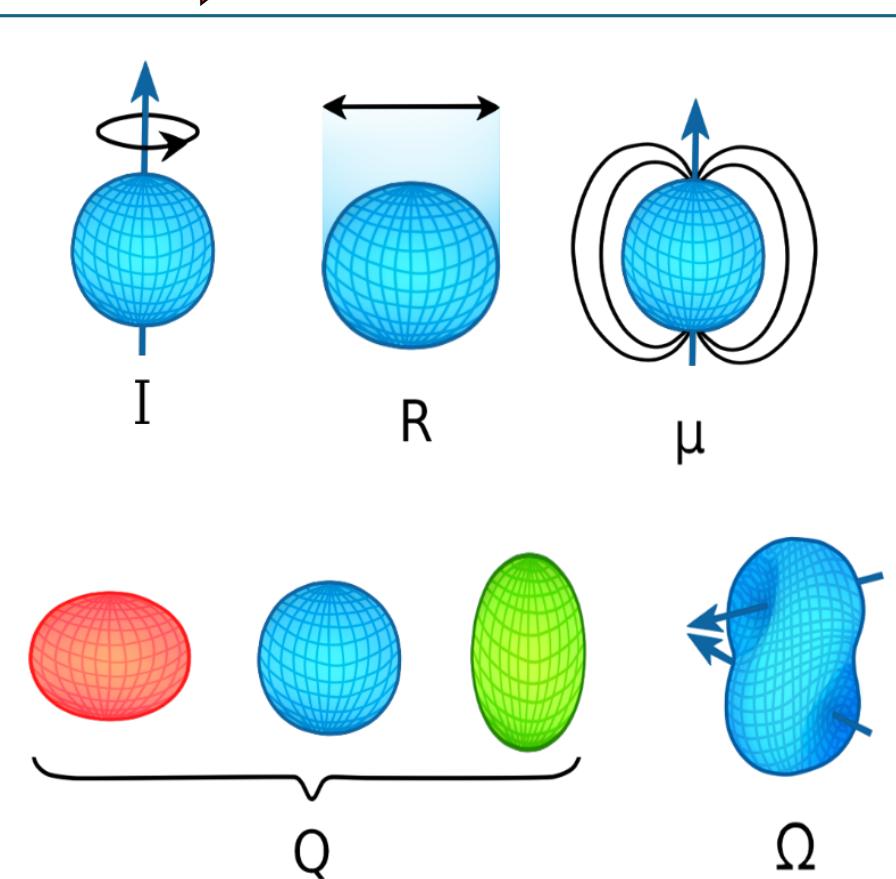
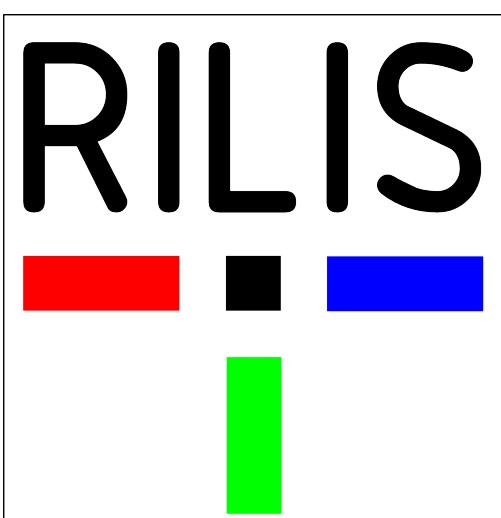


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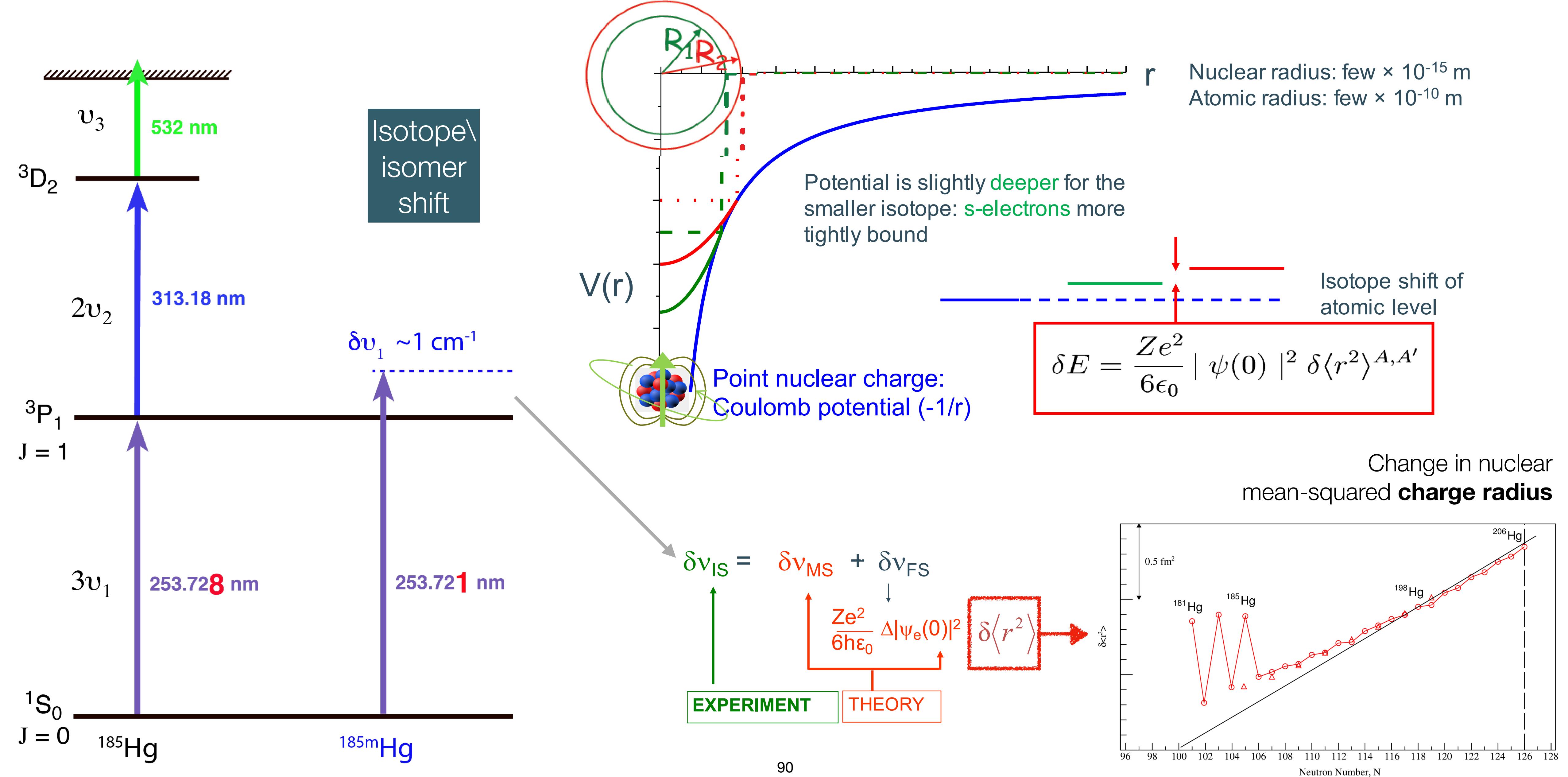
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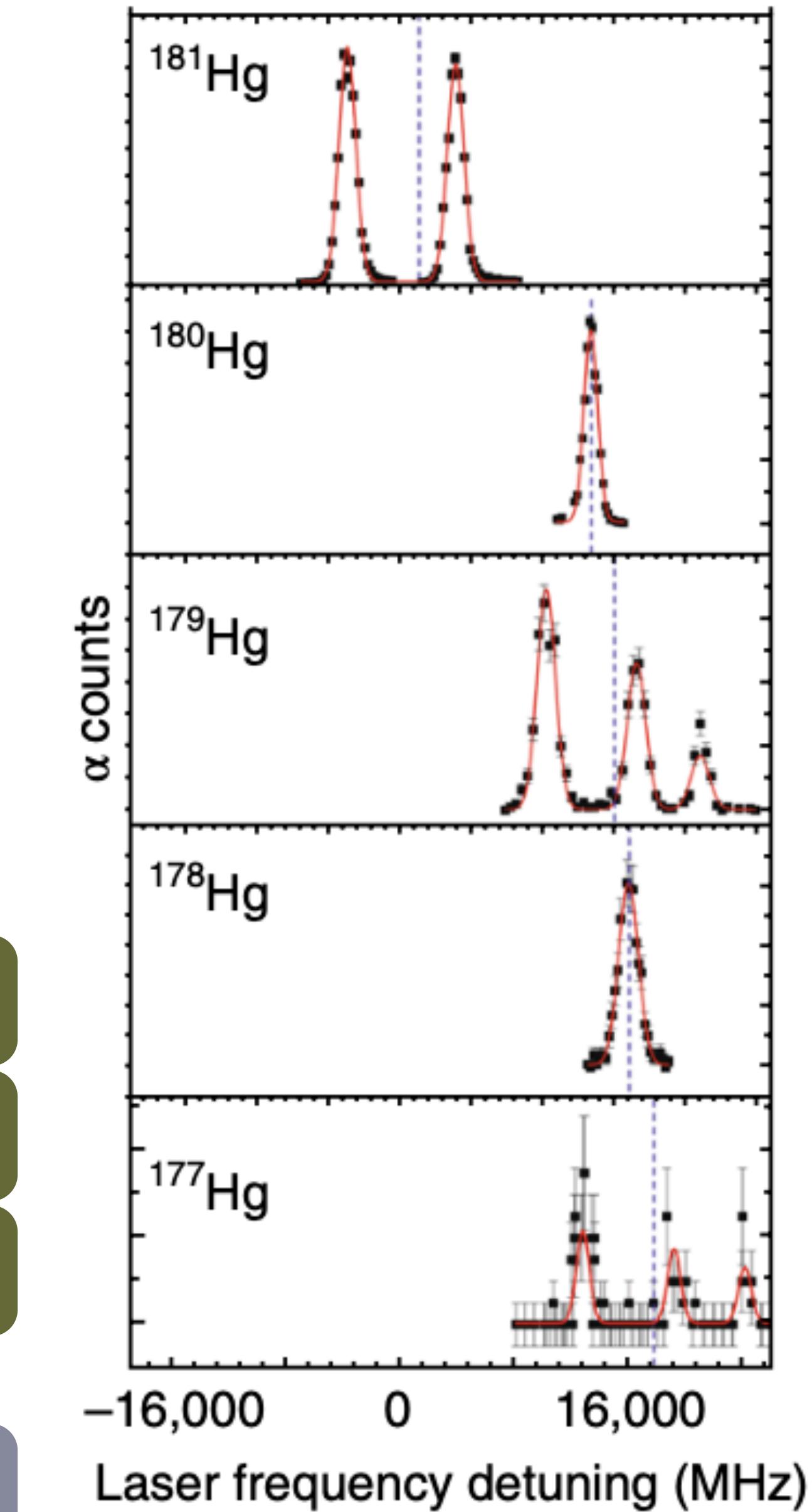
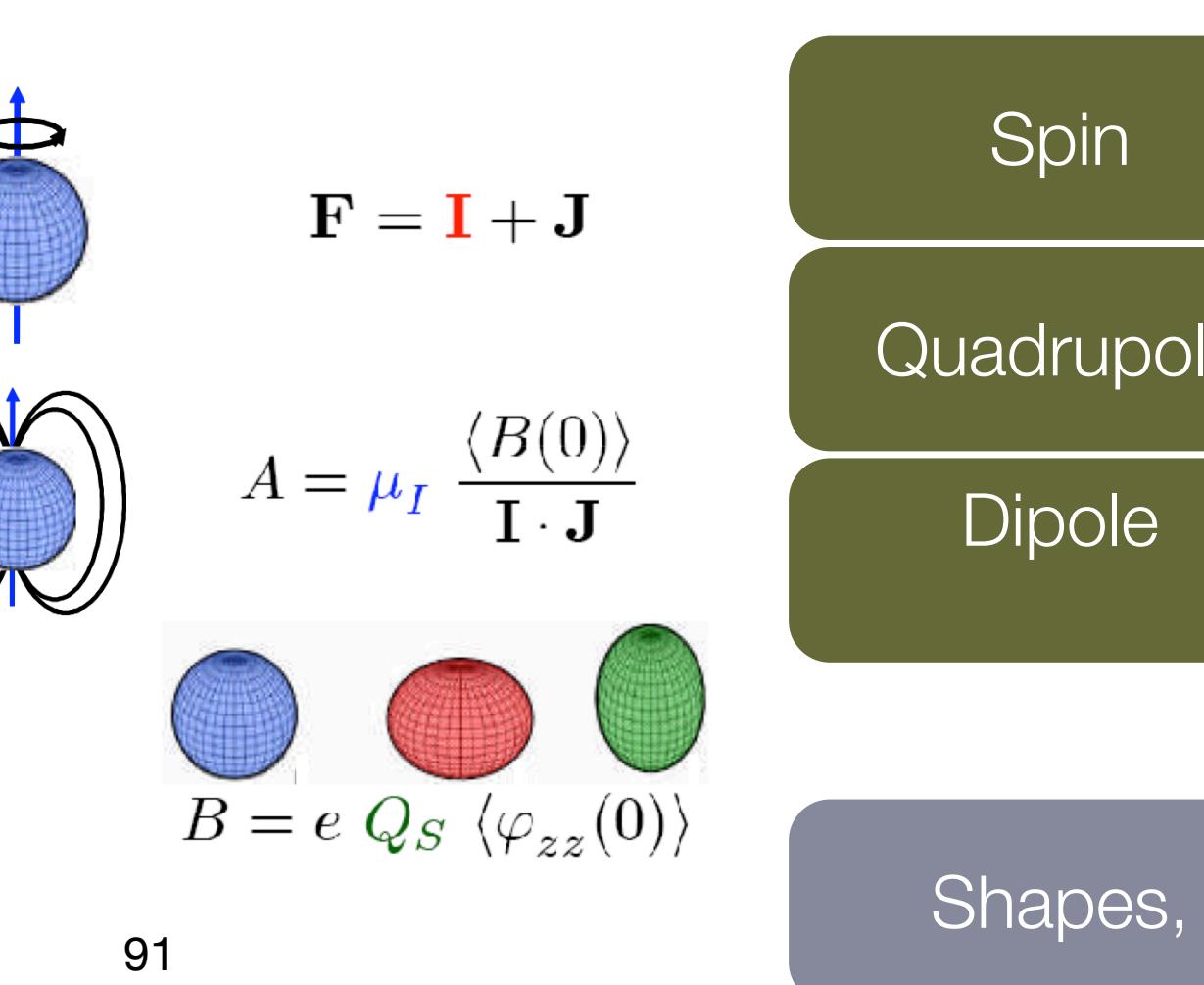
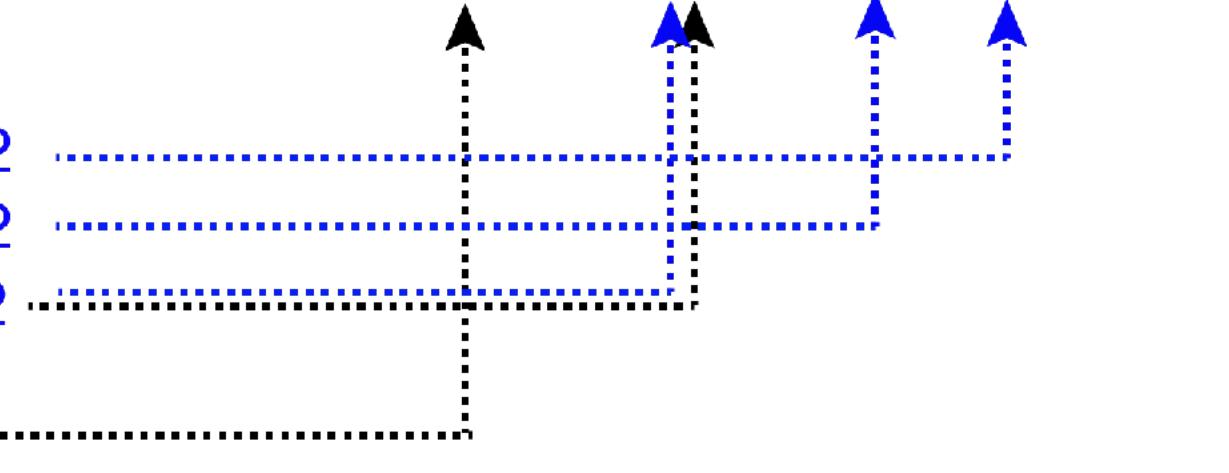
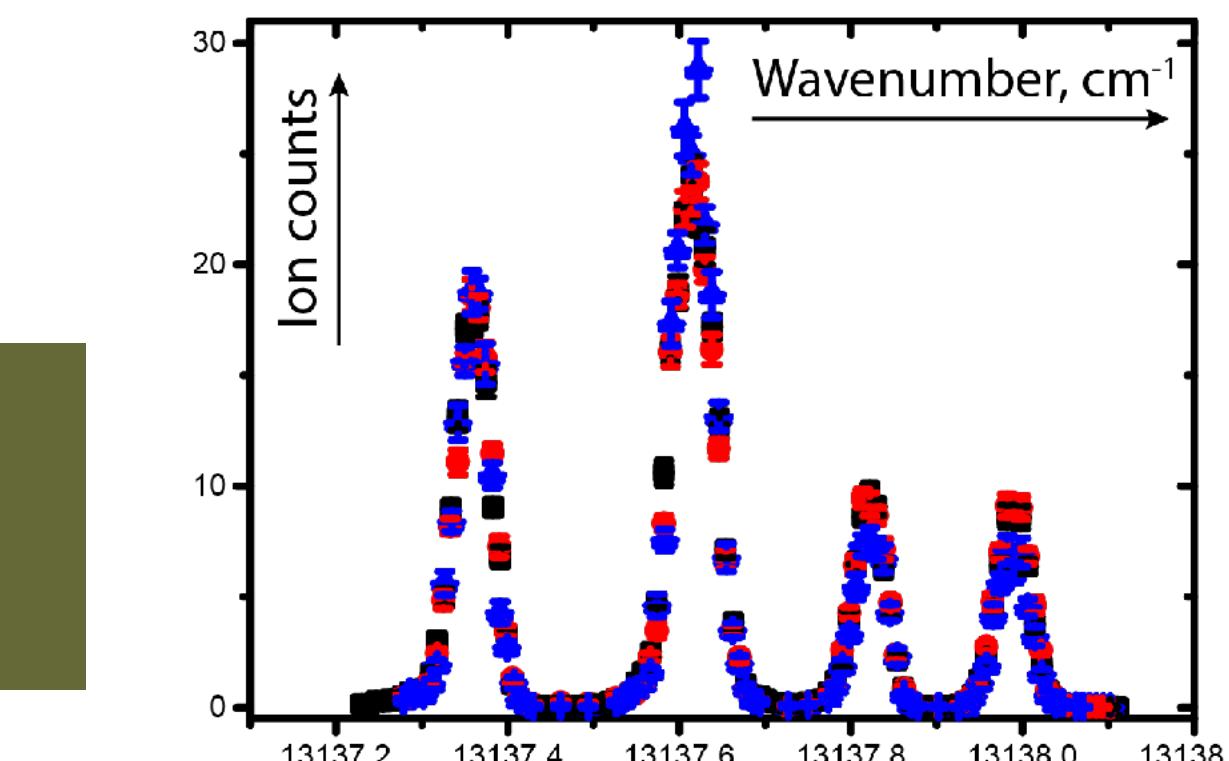
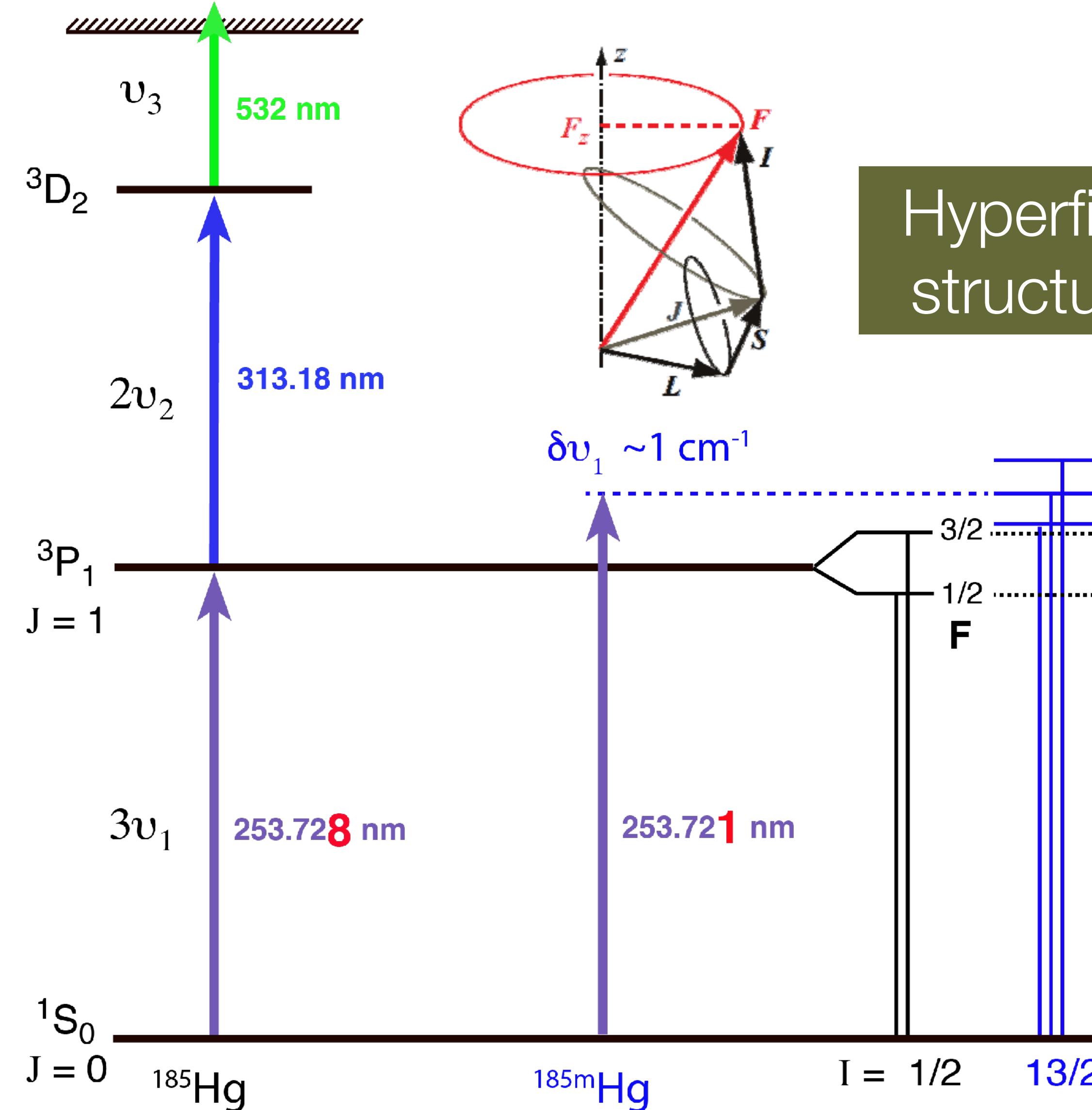
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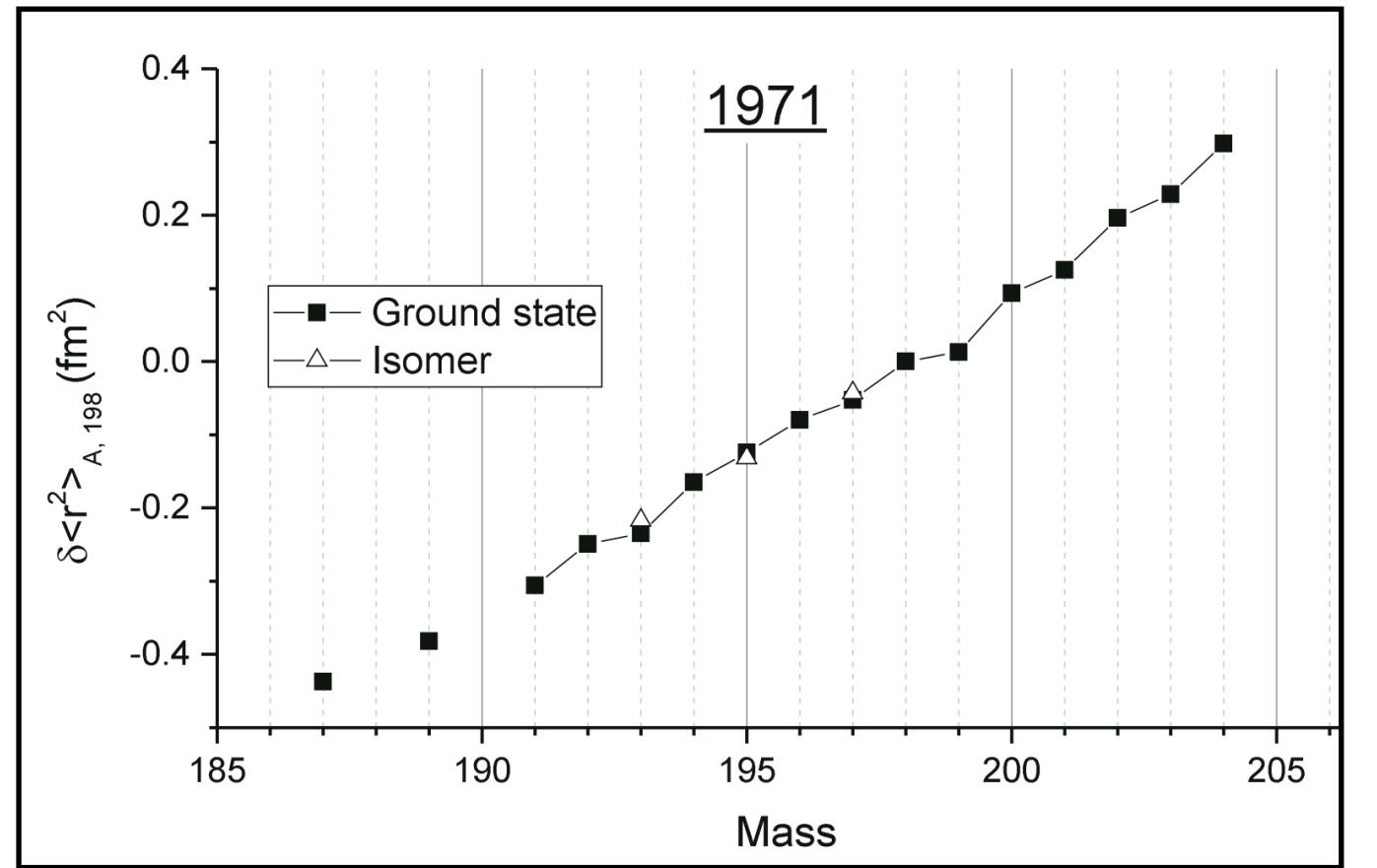
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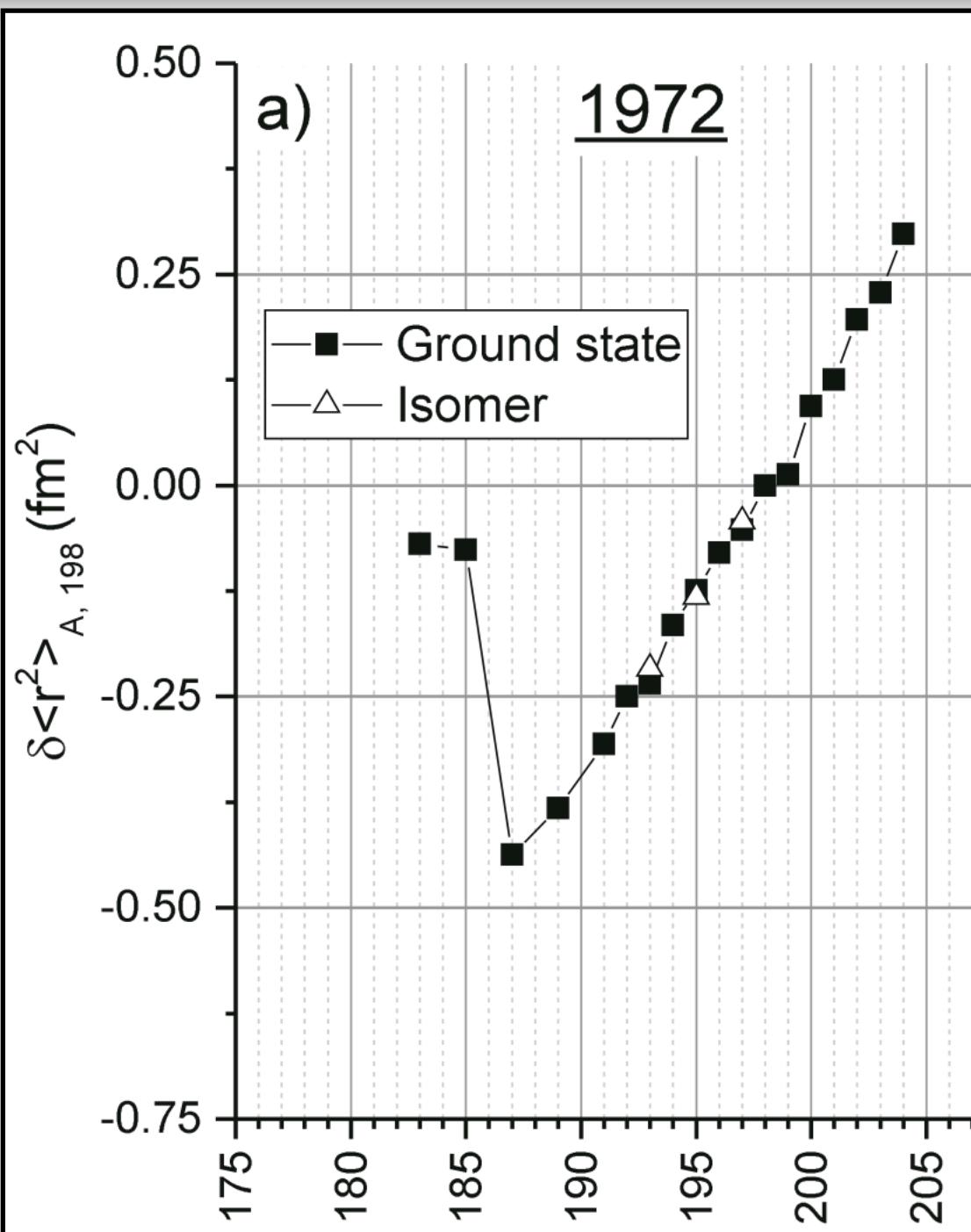
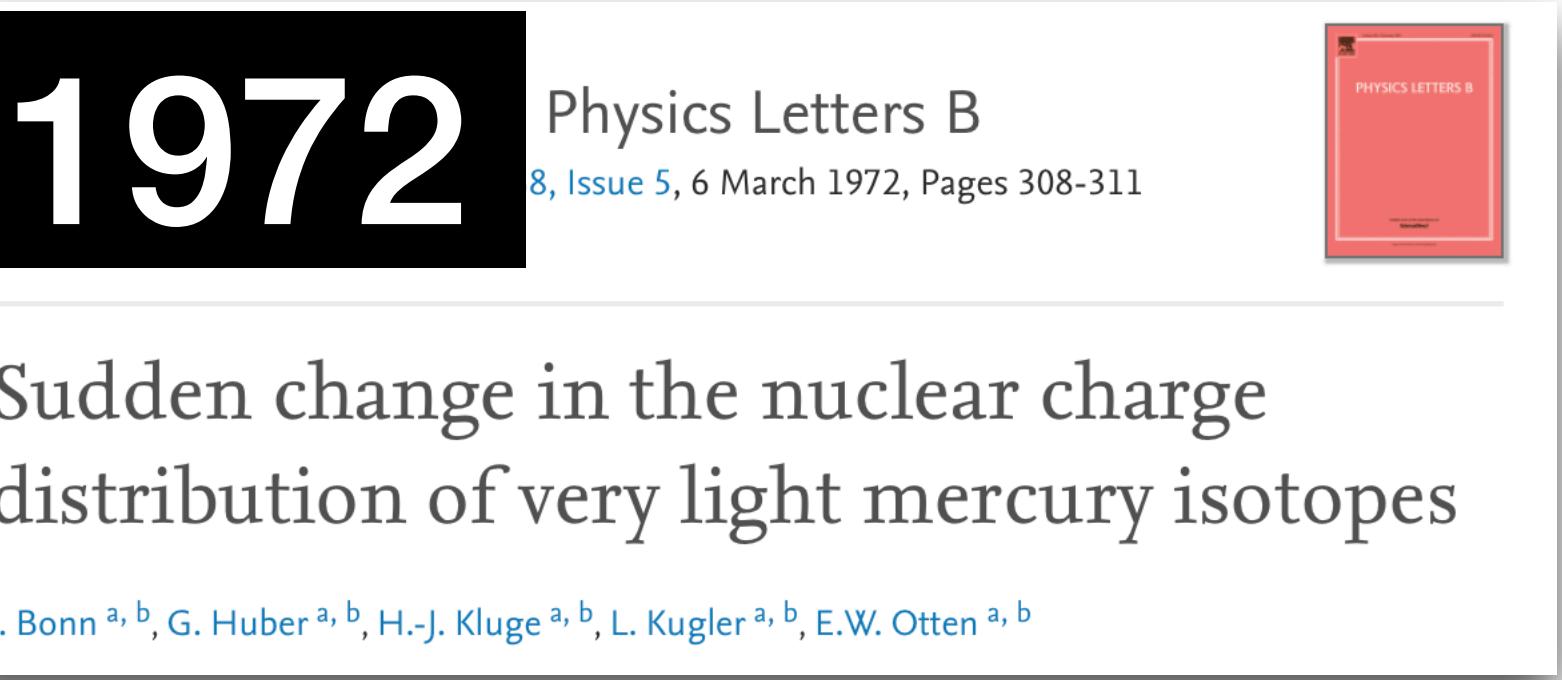
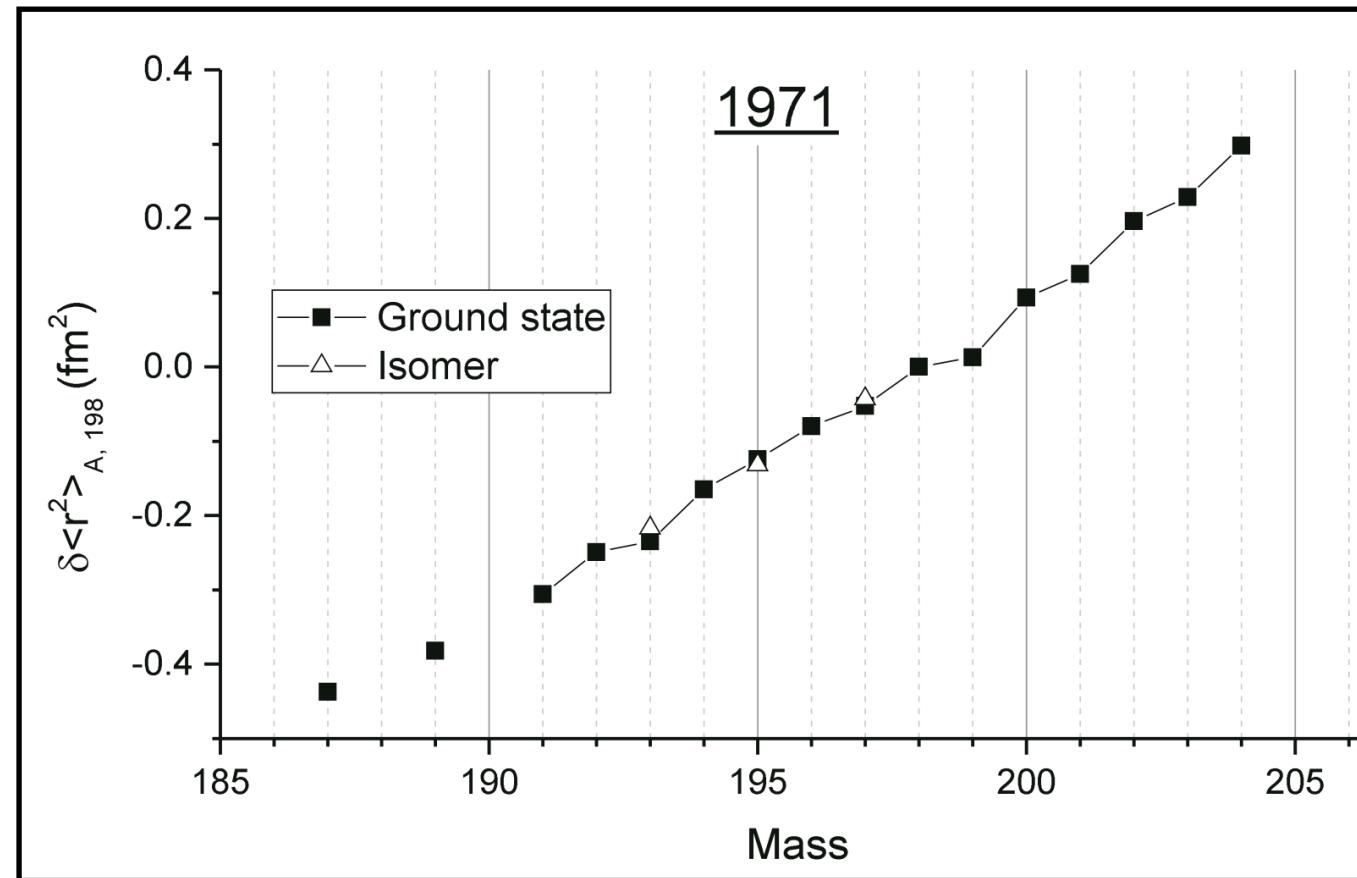
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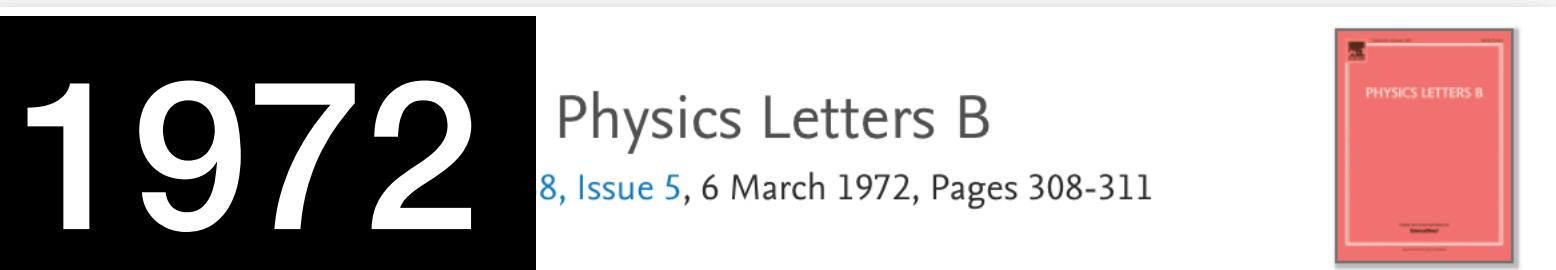
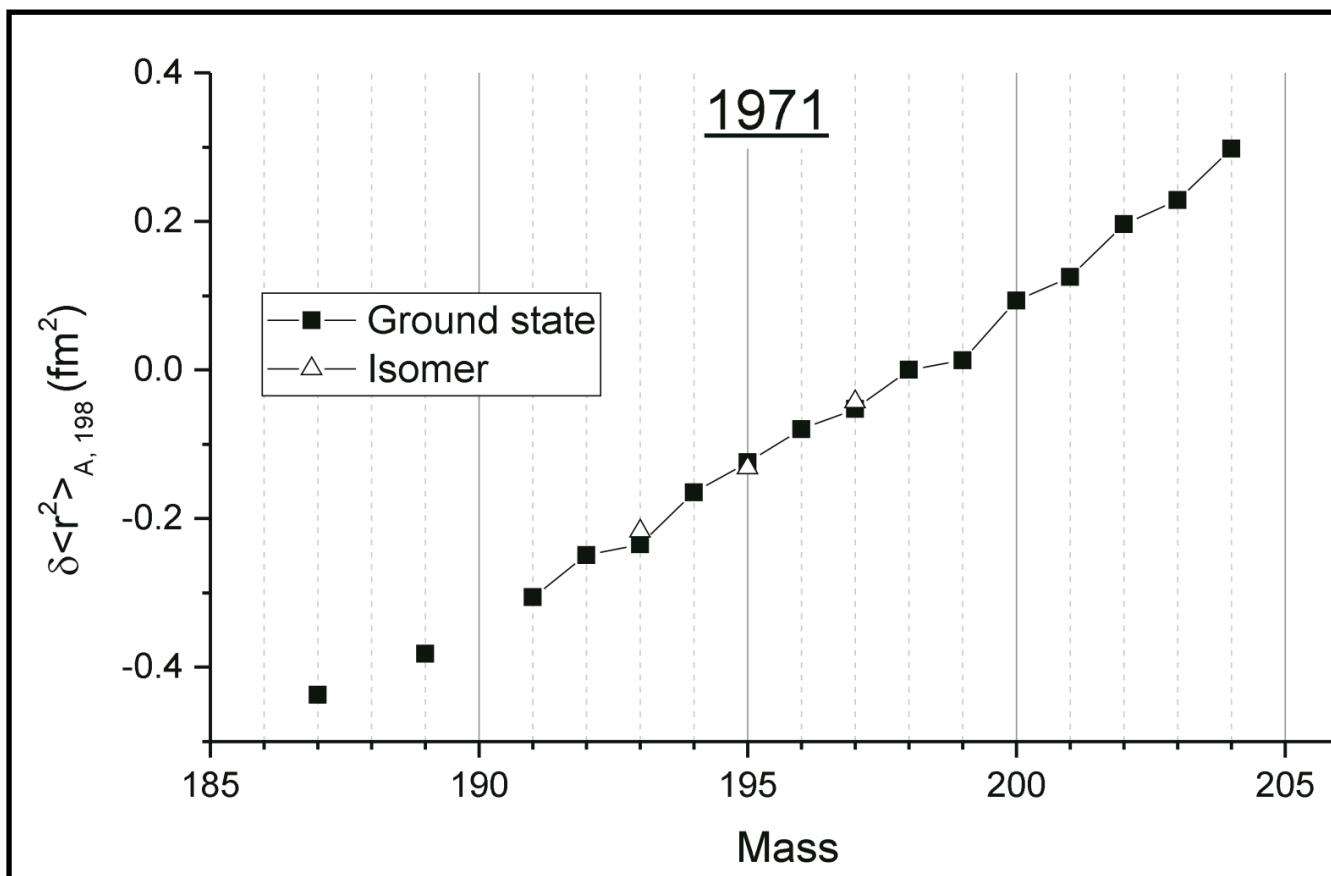
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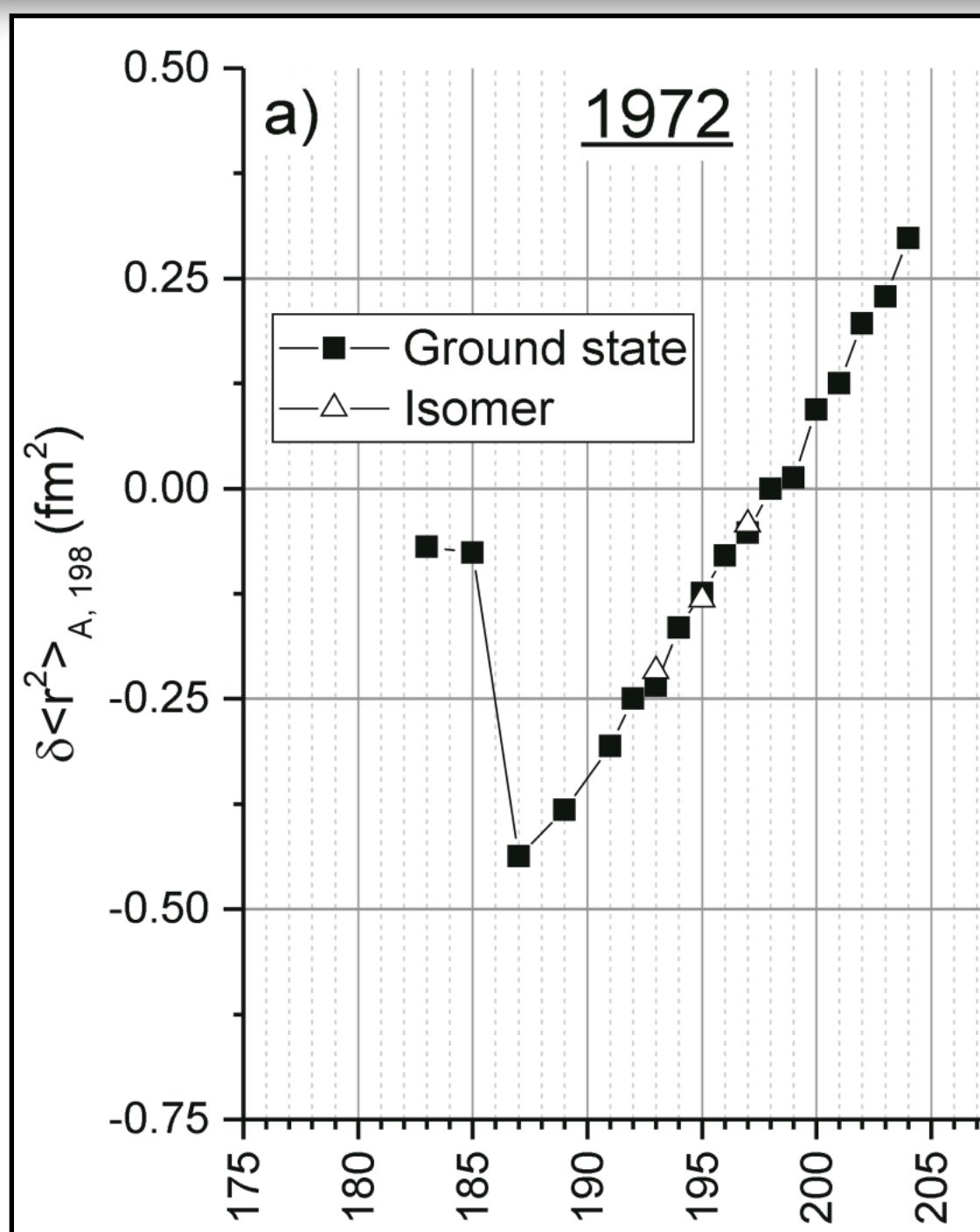


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## Sudden change in the nuclear charge distribution of very light mercury isotopes

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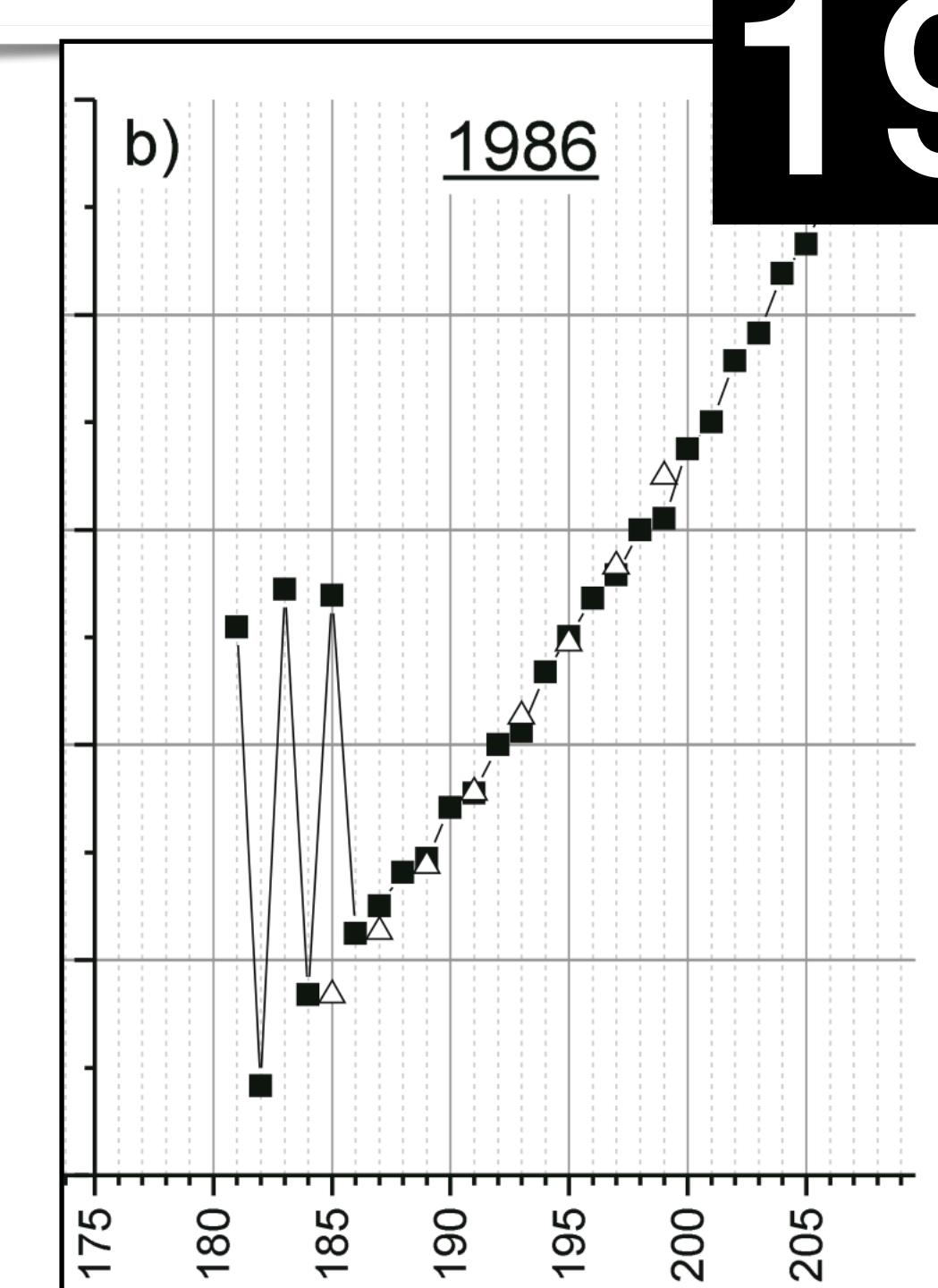
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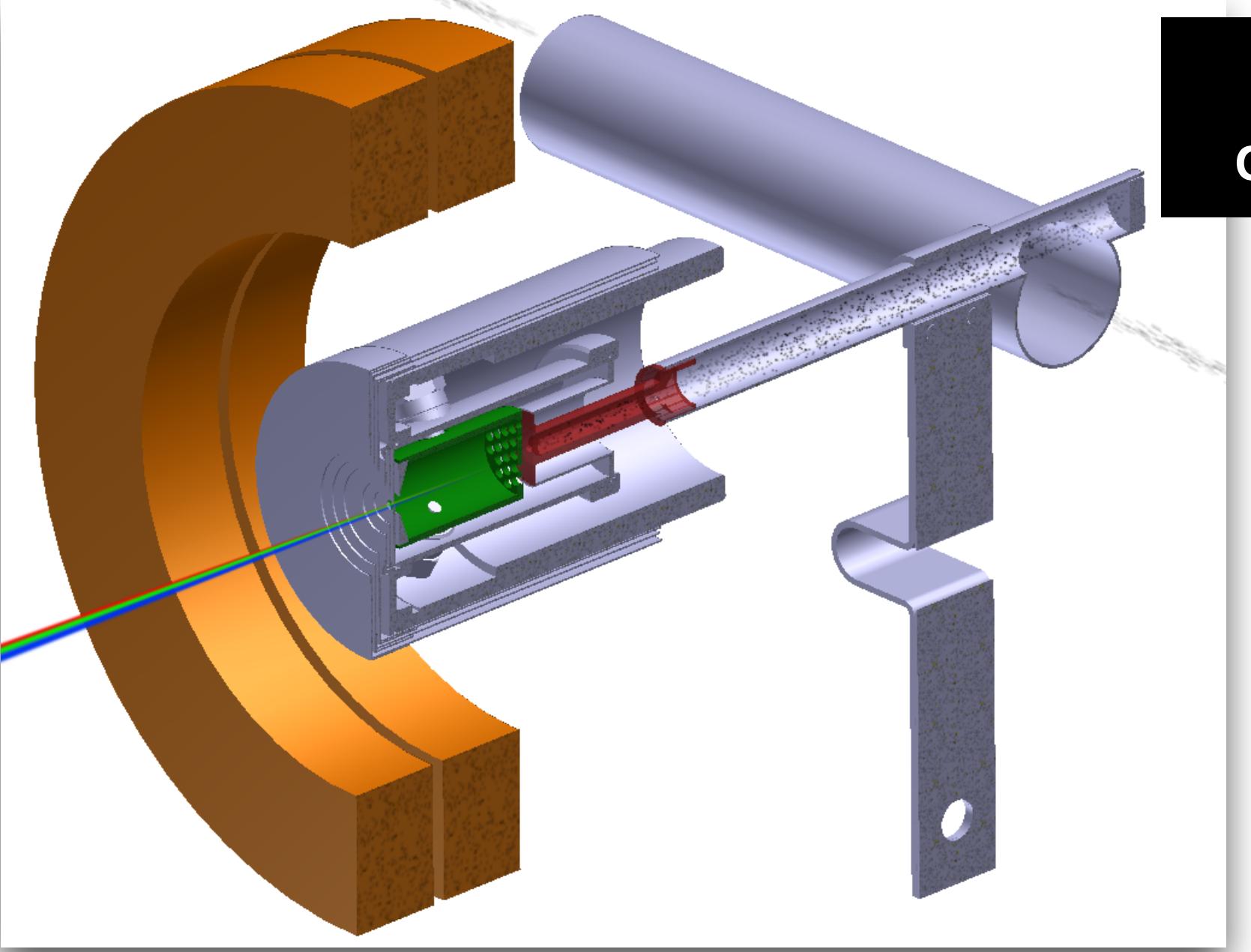
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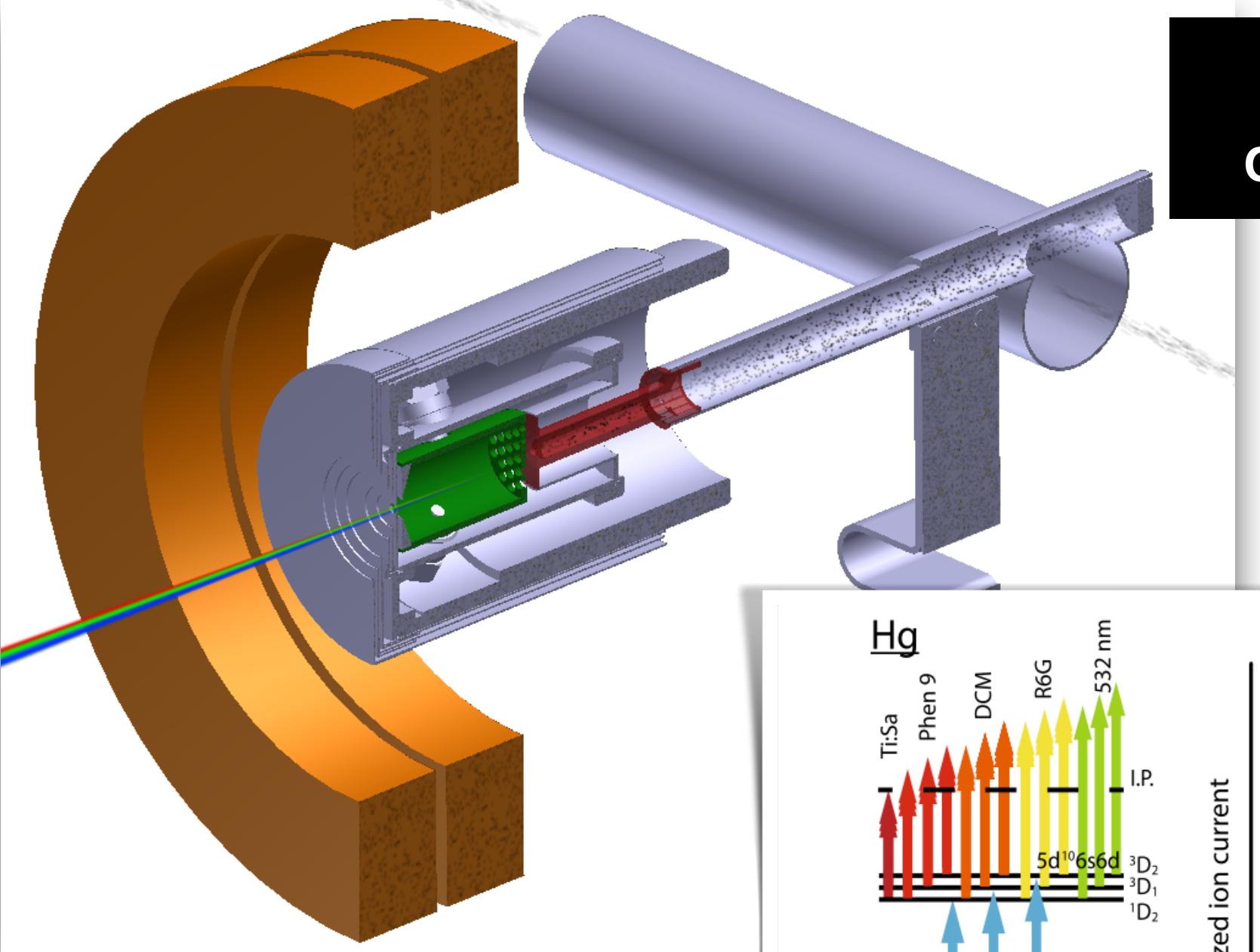


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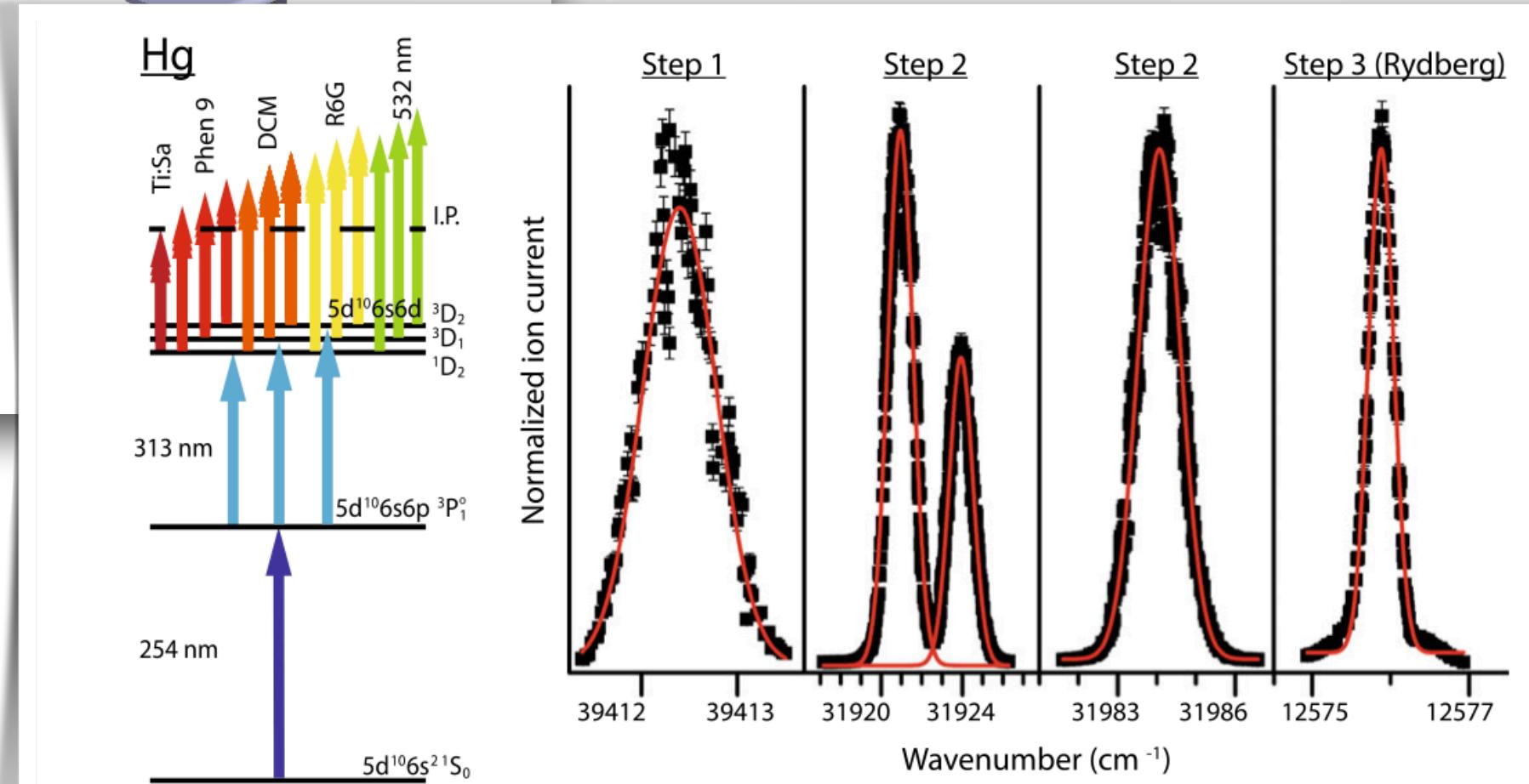
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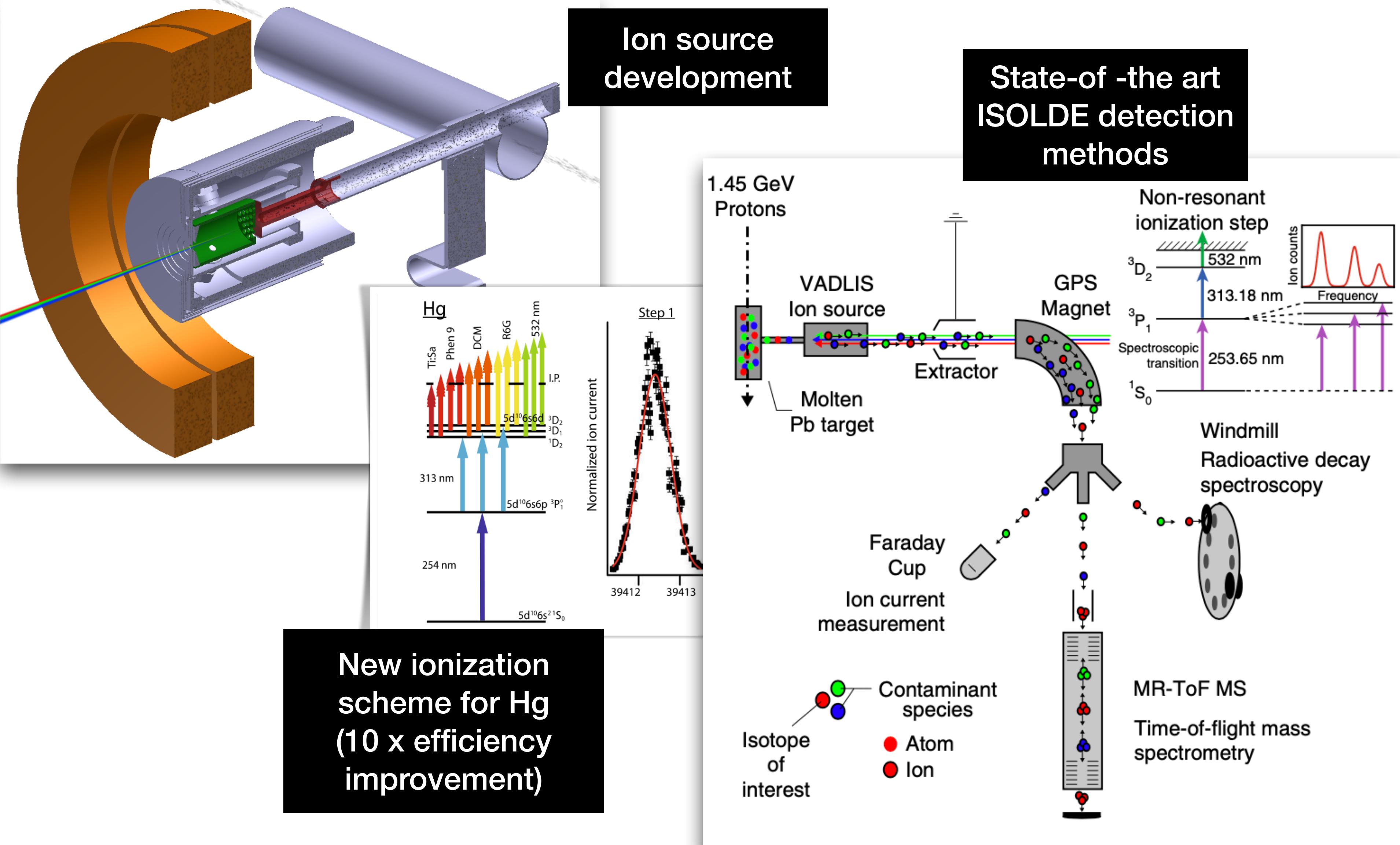
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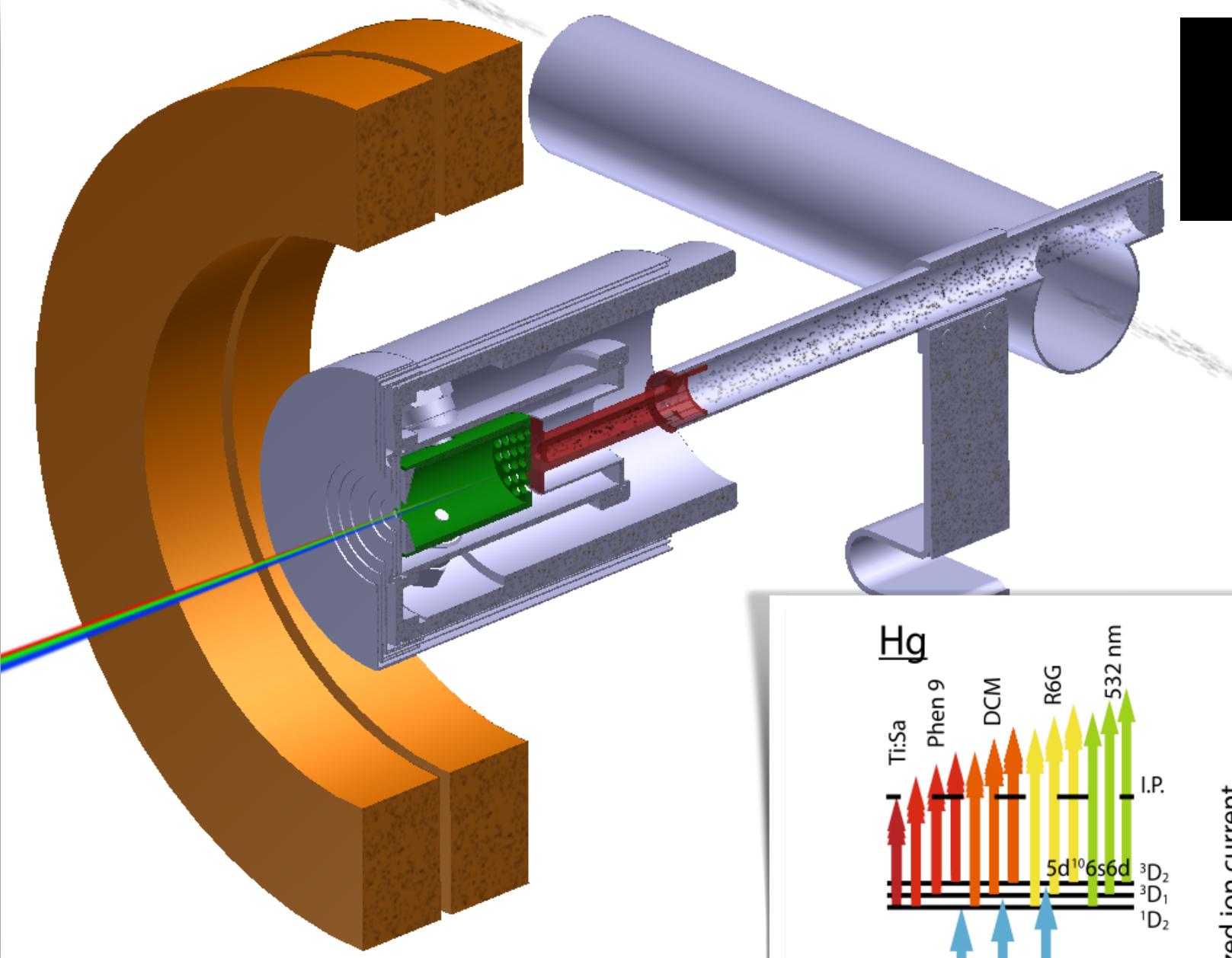


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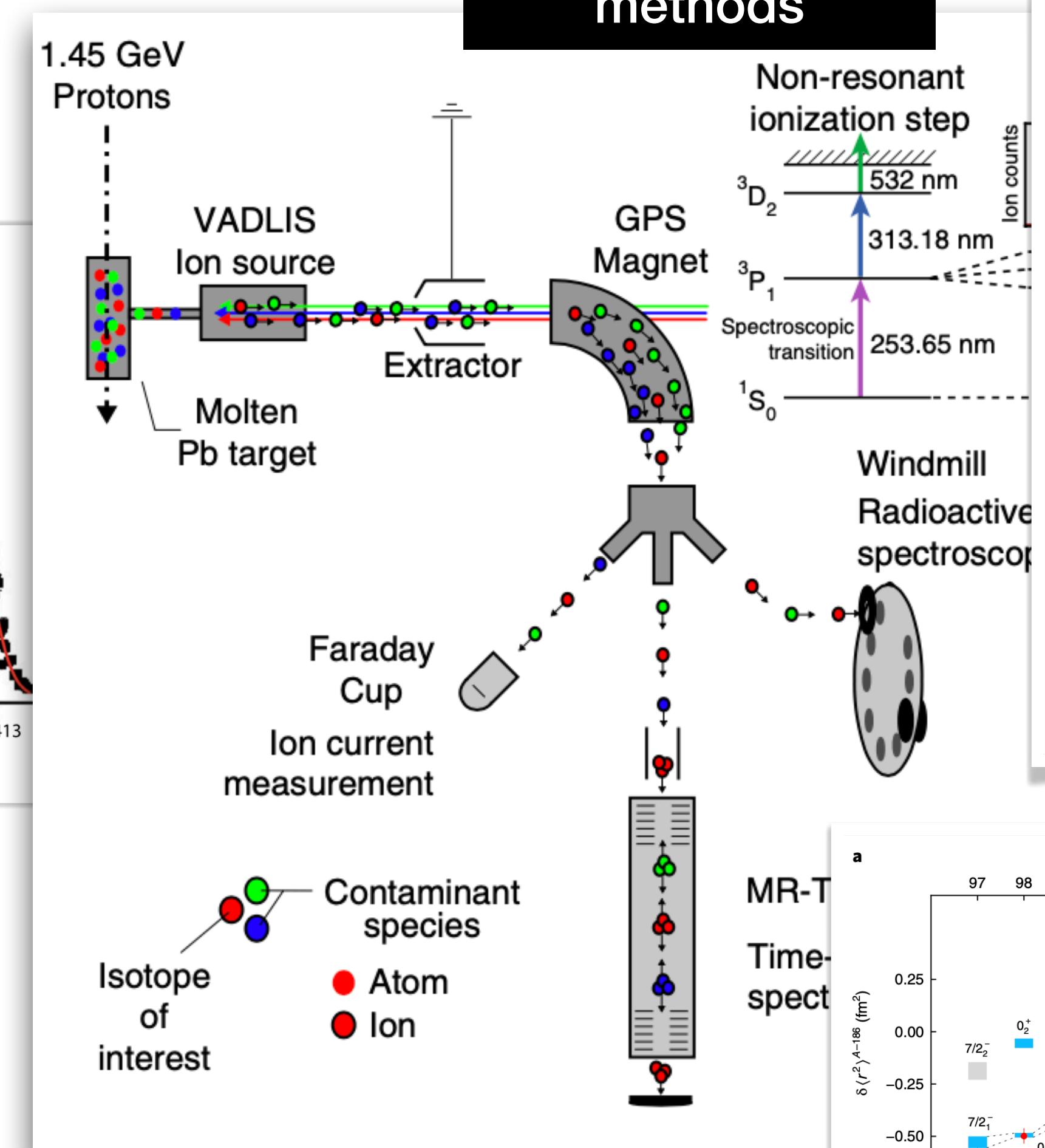
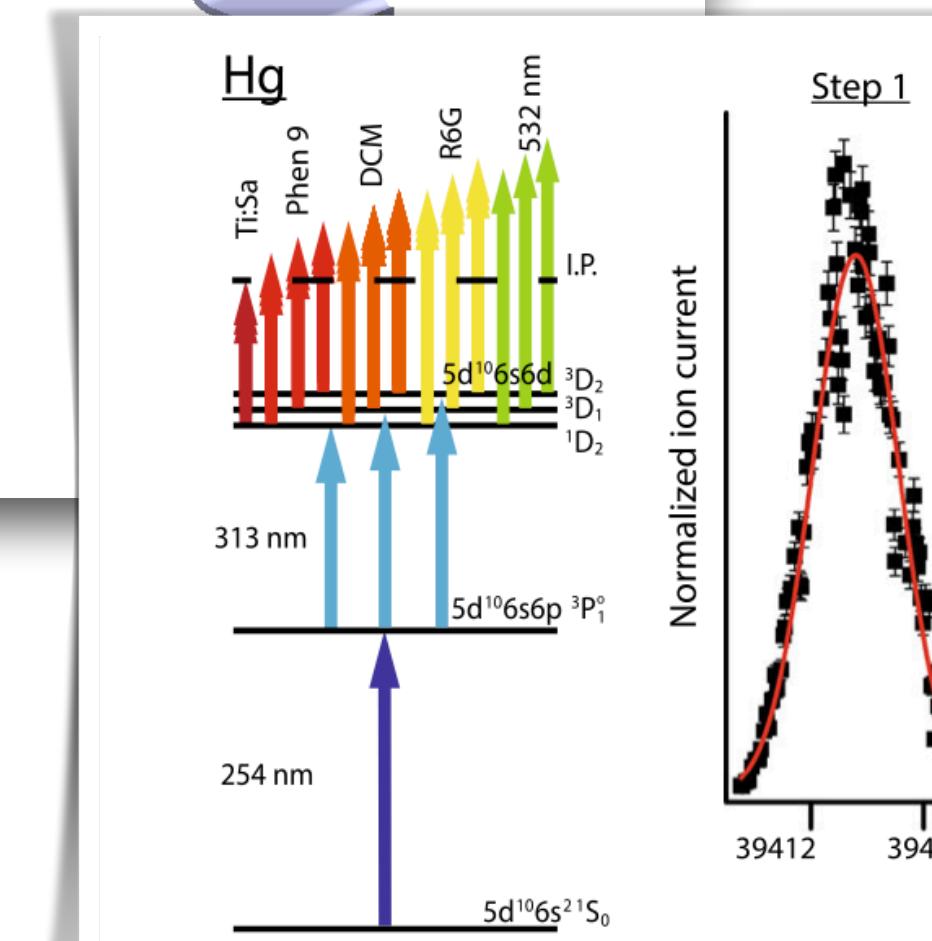
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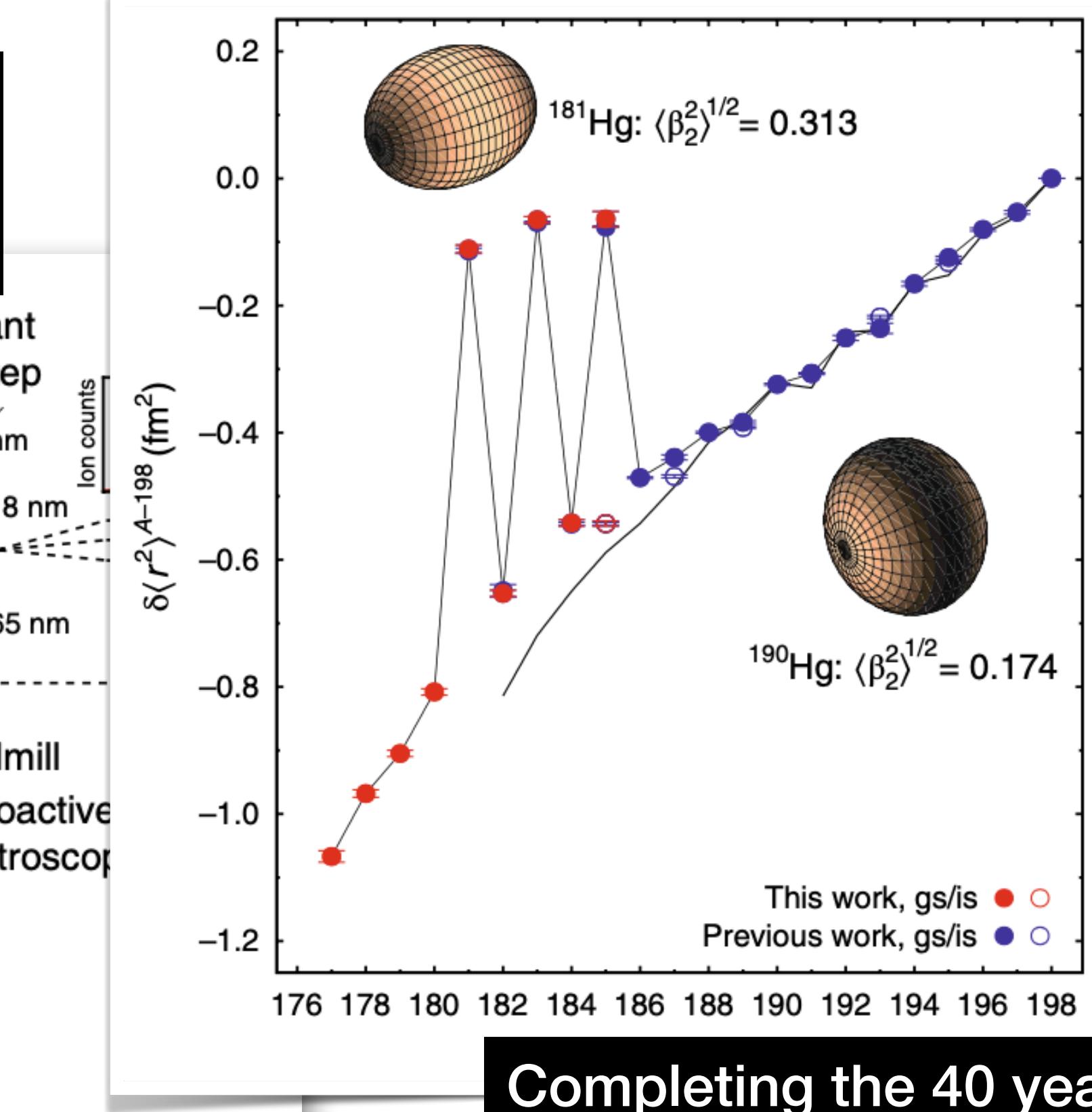


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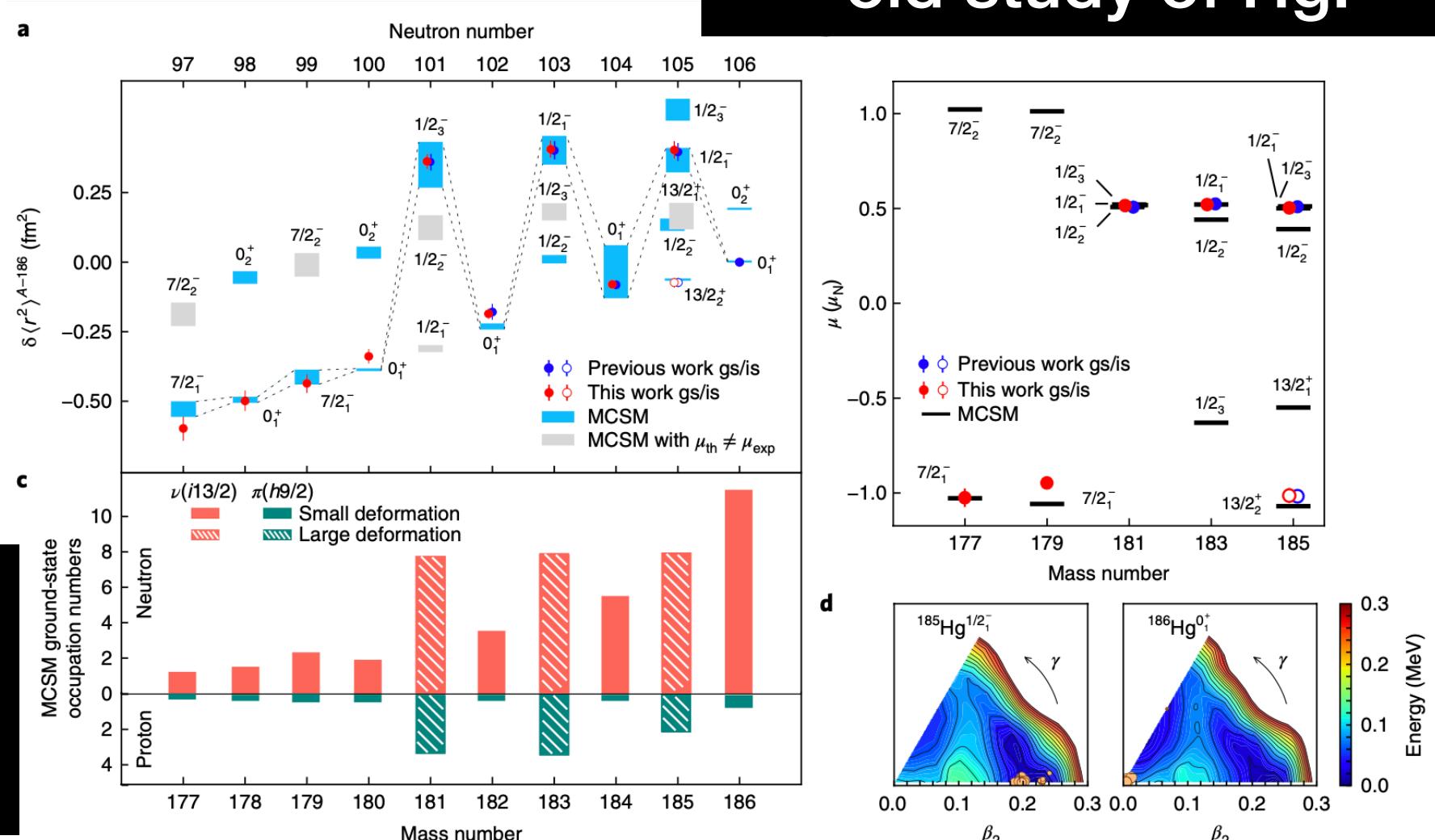


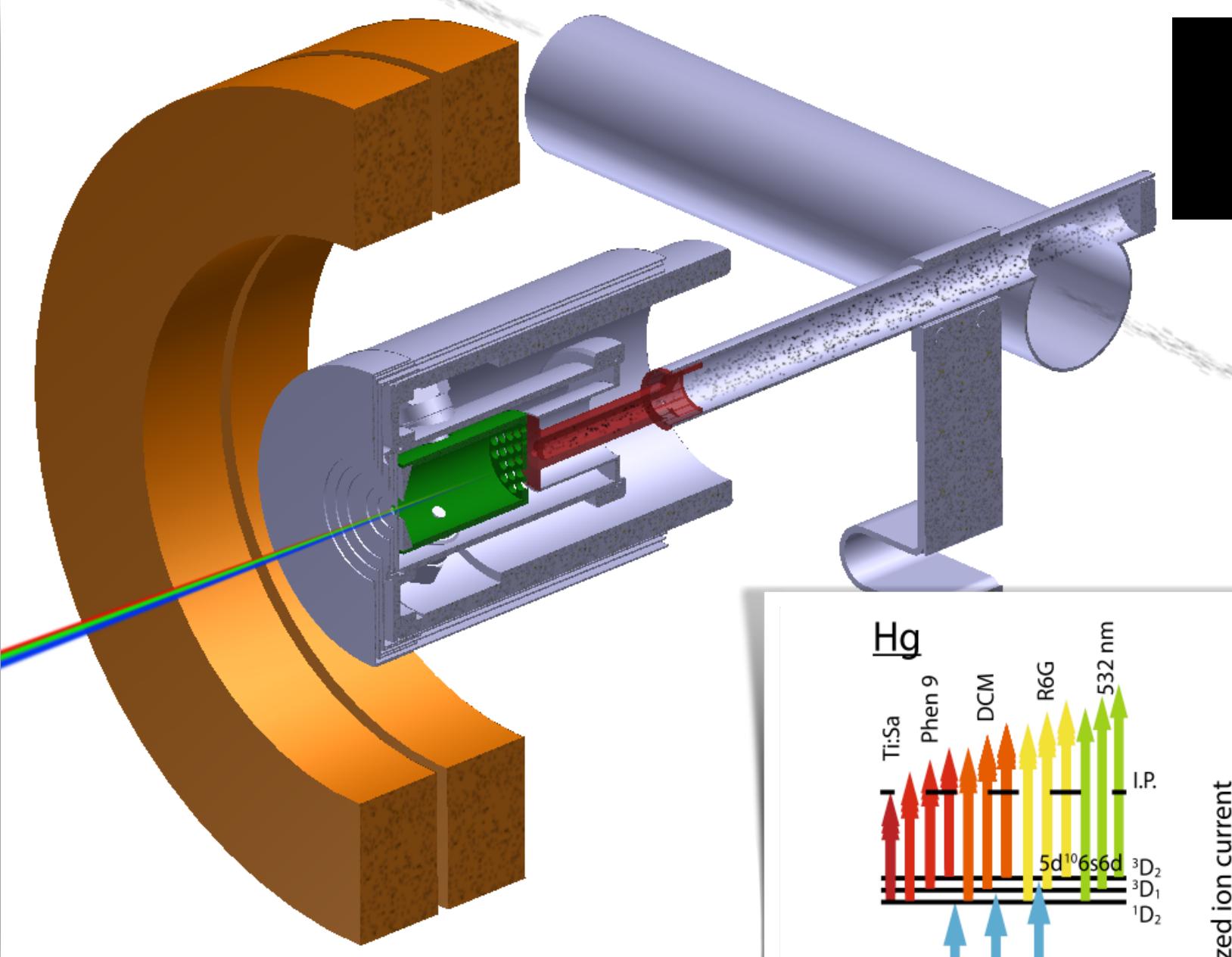
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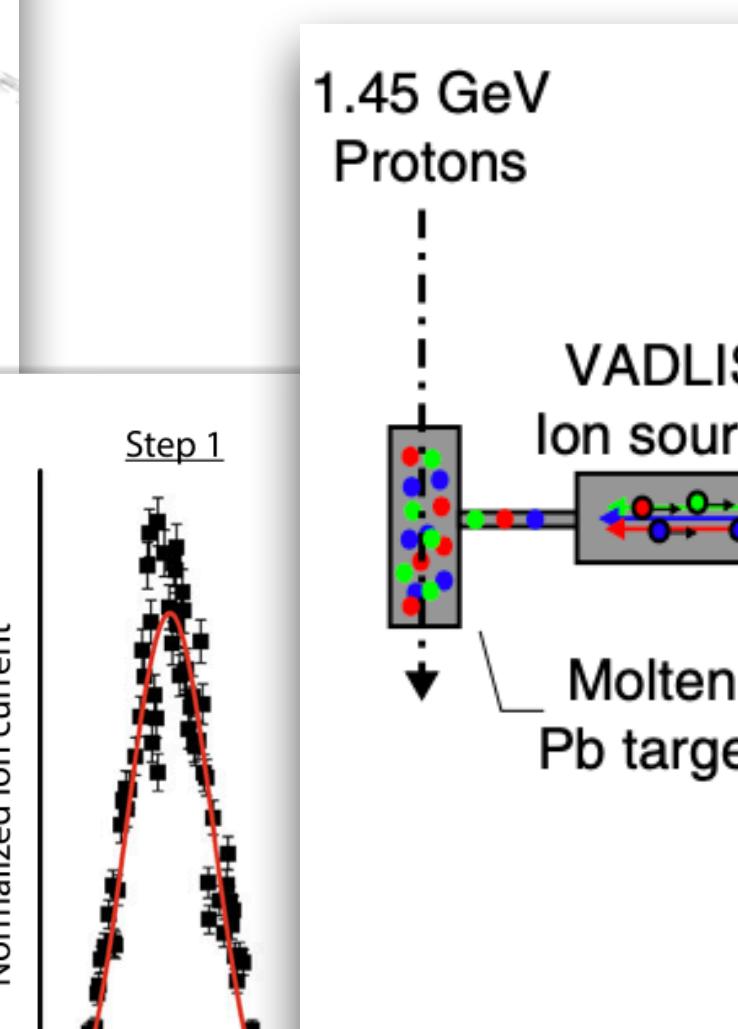
**Completing the 40 year  
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**New theoretical  
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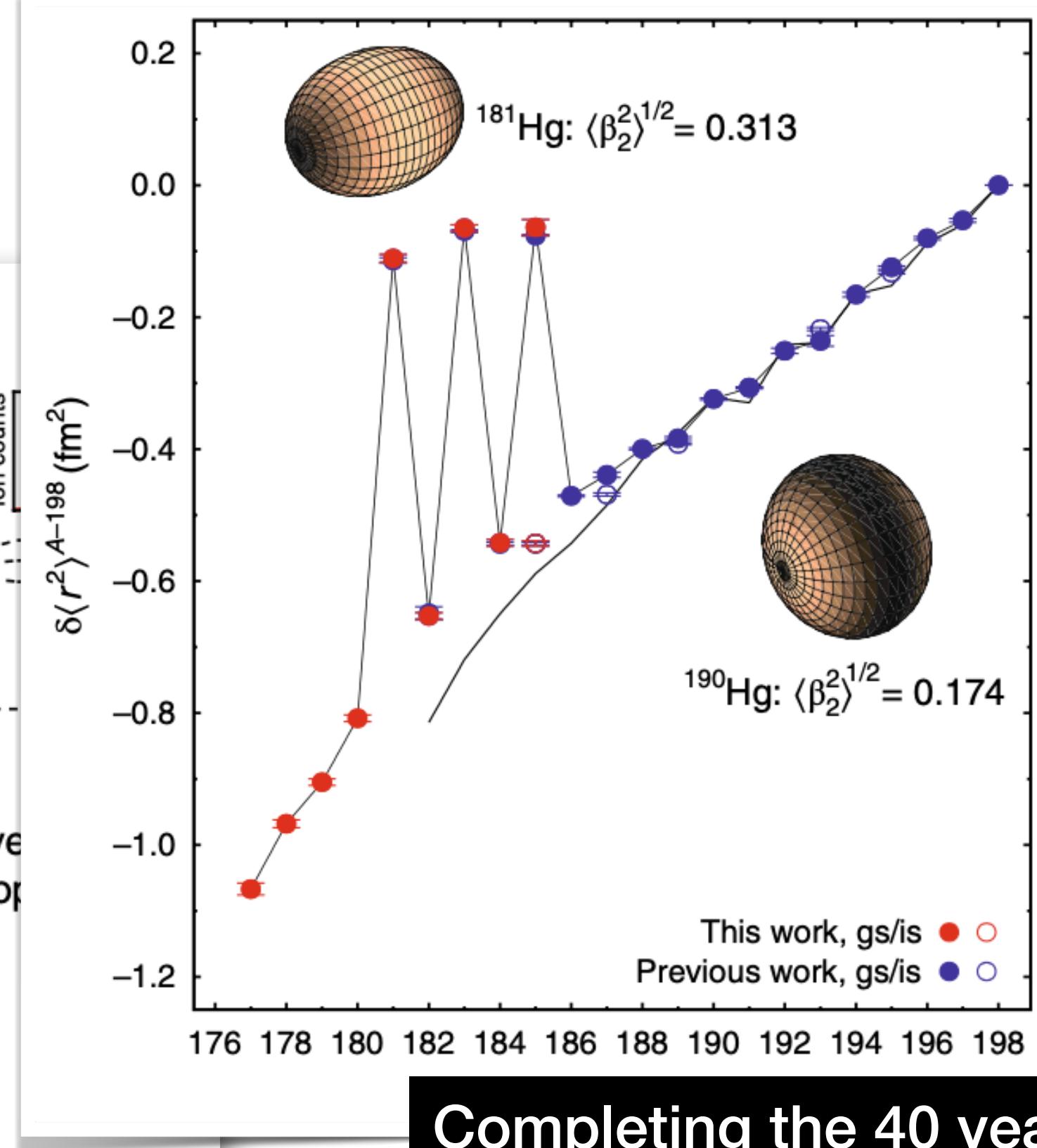
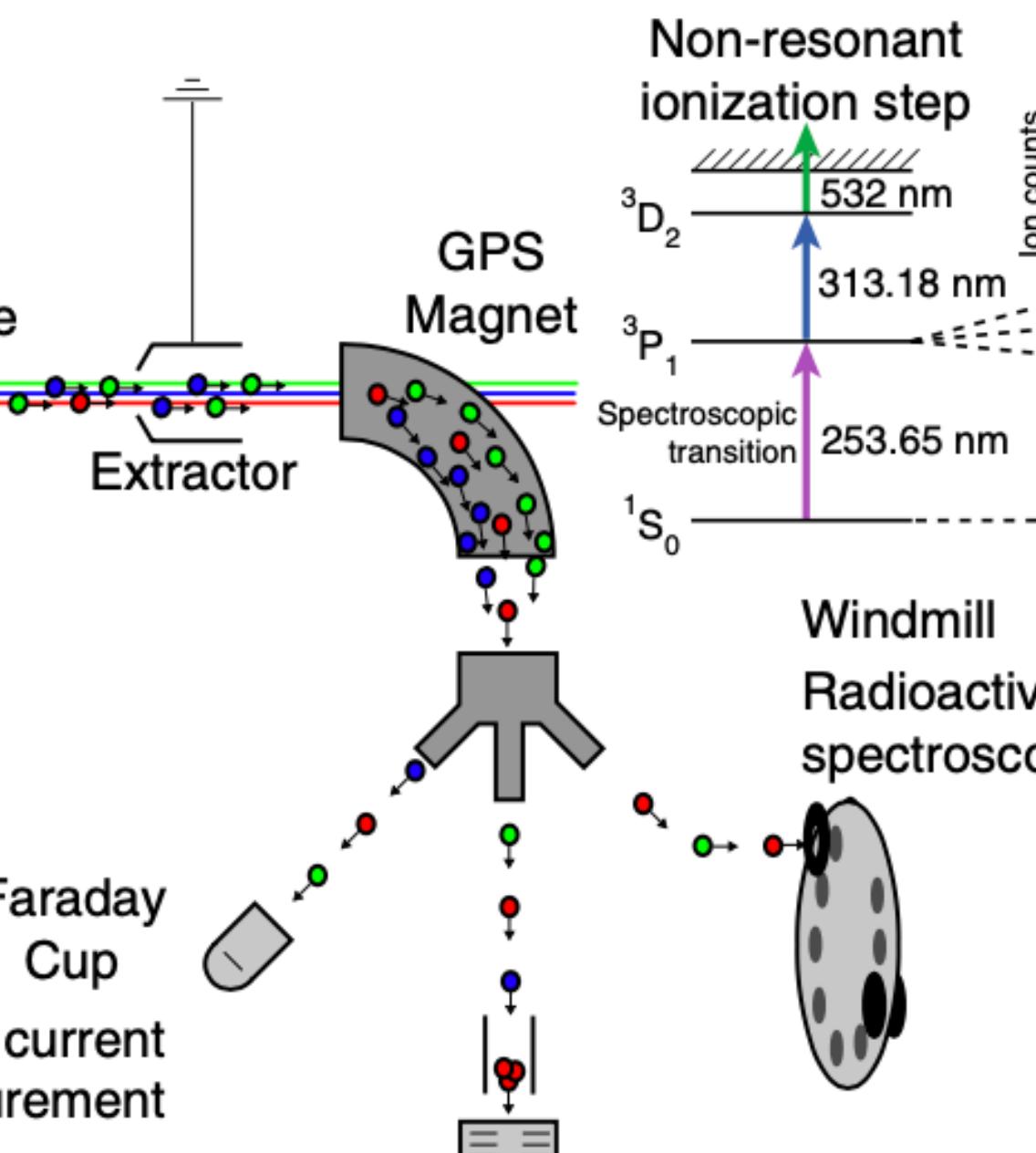




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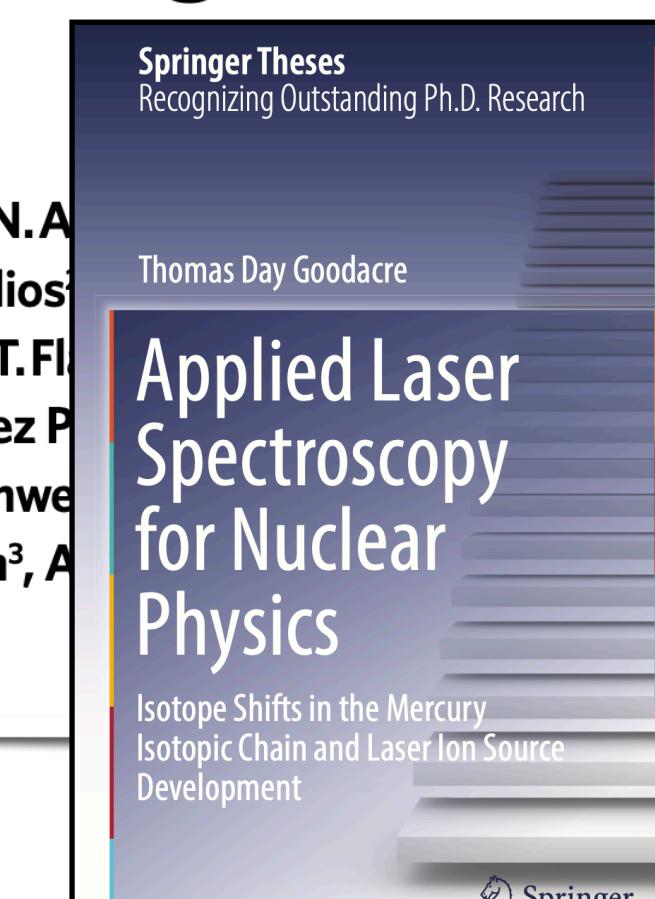
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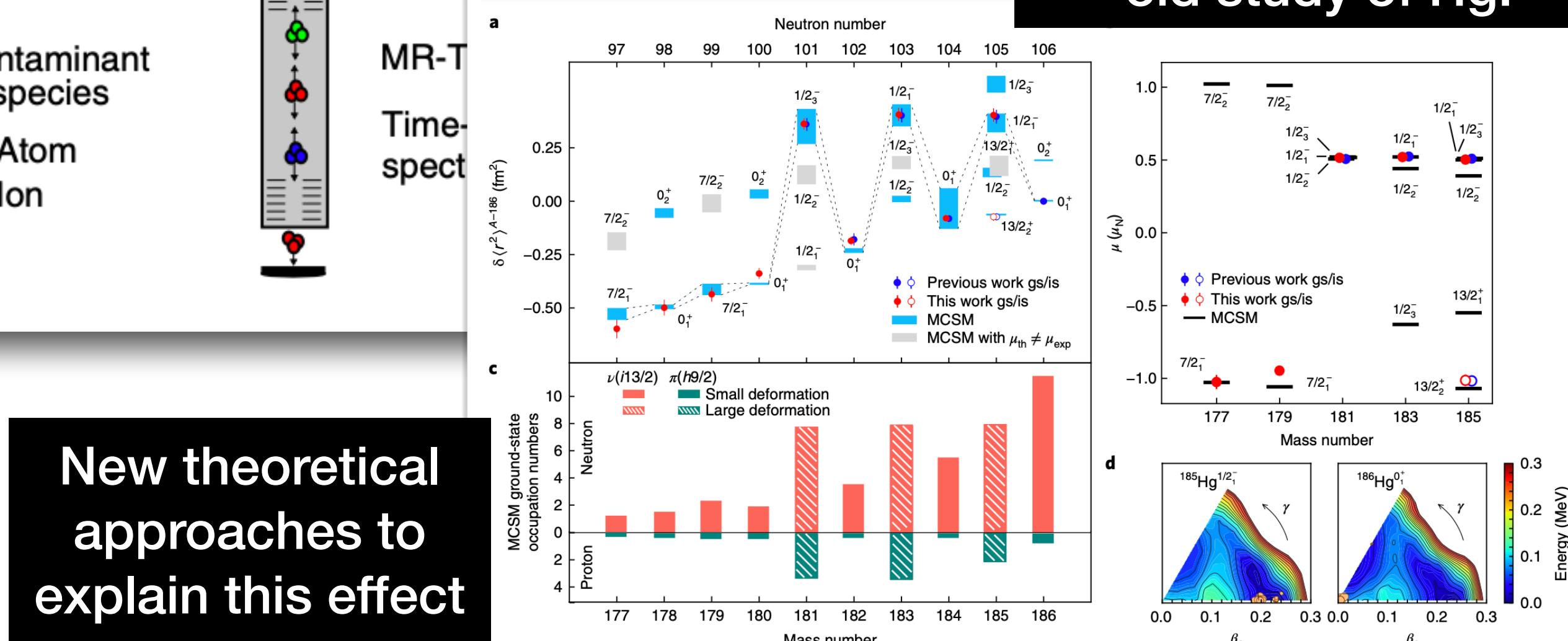
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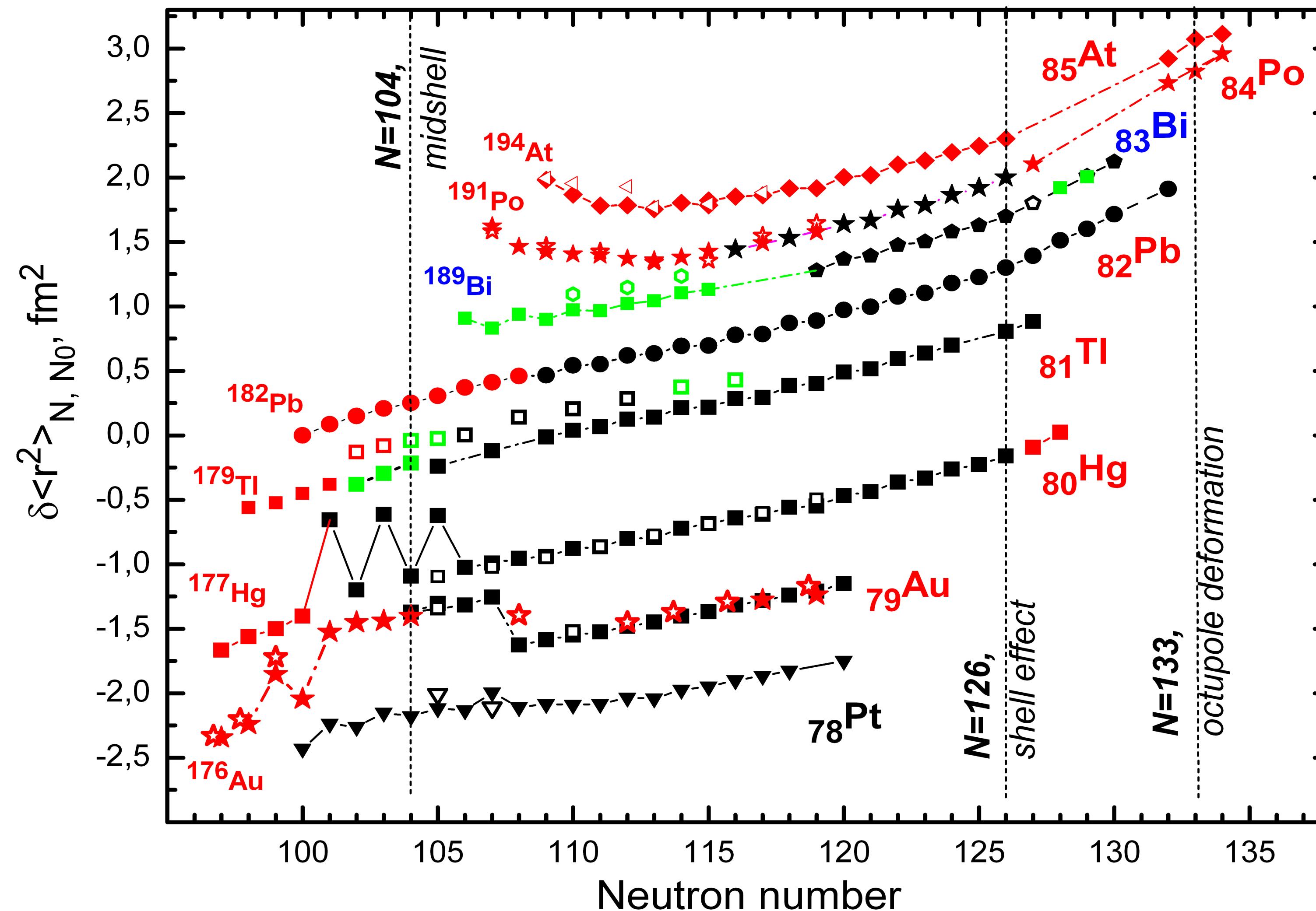
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New theoretical approaches to explain this effect





Editors' Suggestion

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## Shape staggering of midshell mercury isotopes from in-source laser spectroscopy compared with density-functional-theory and Monte Carlo shell-model calculations

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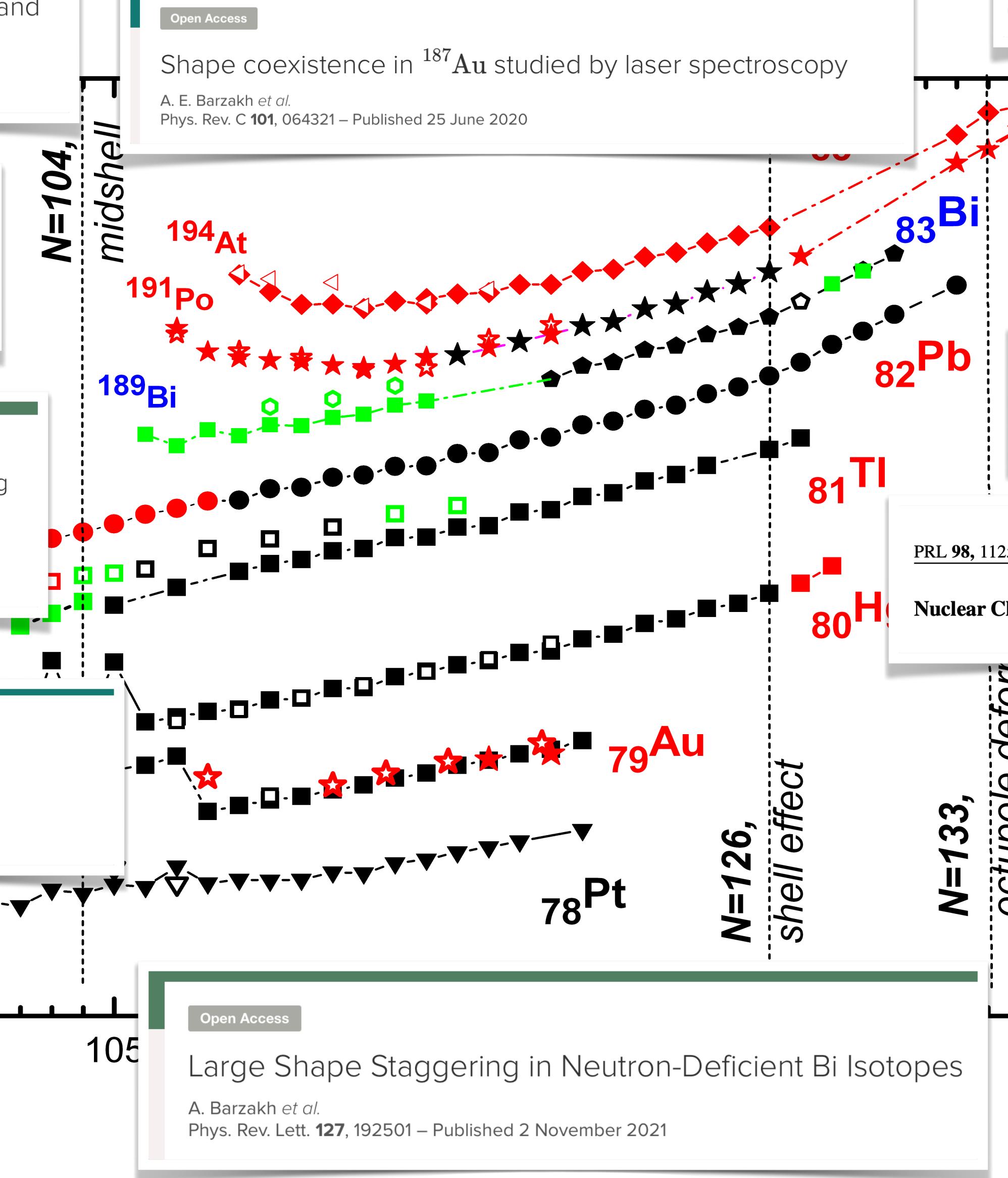
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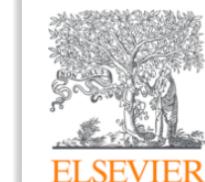
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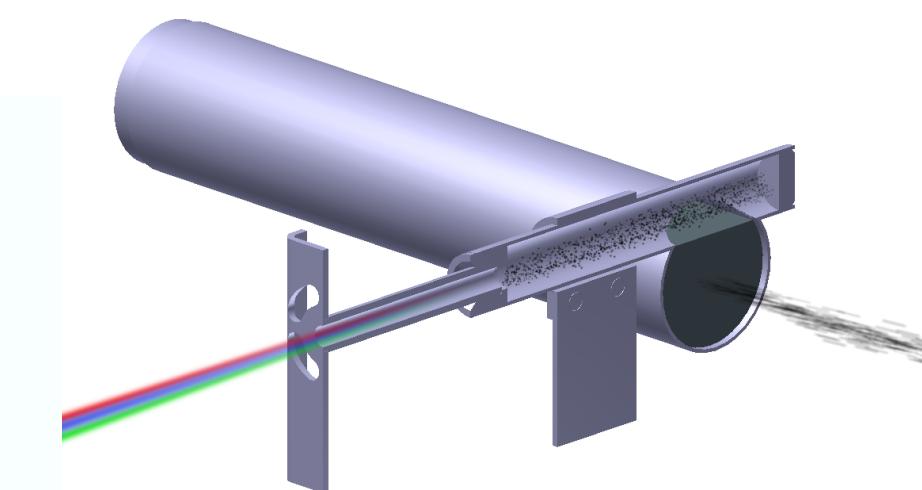
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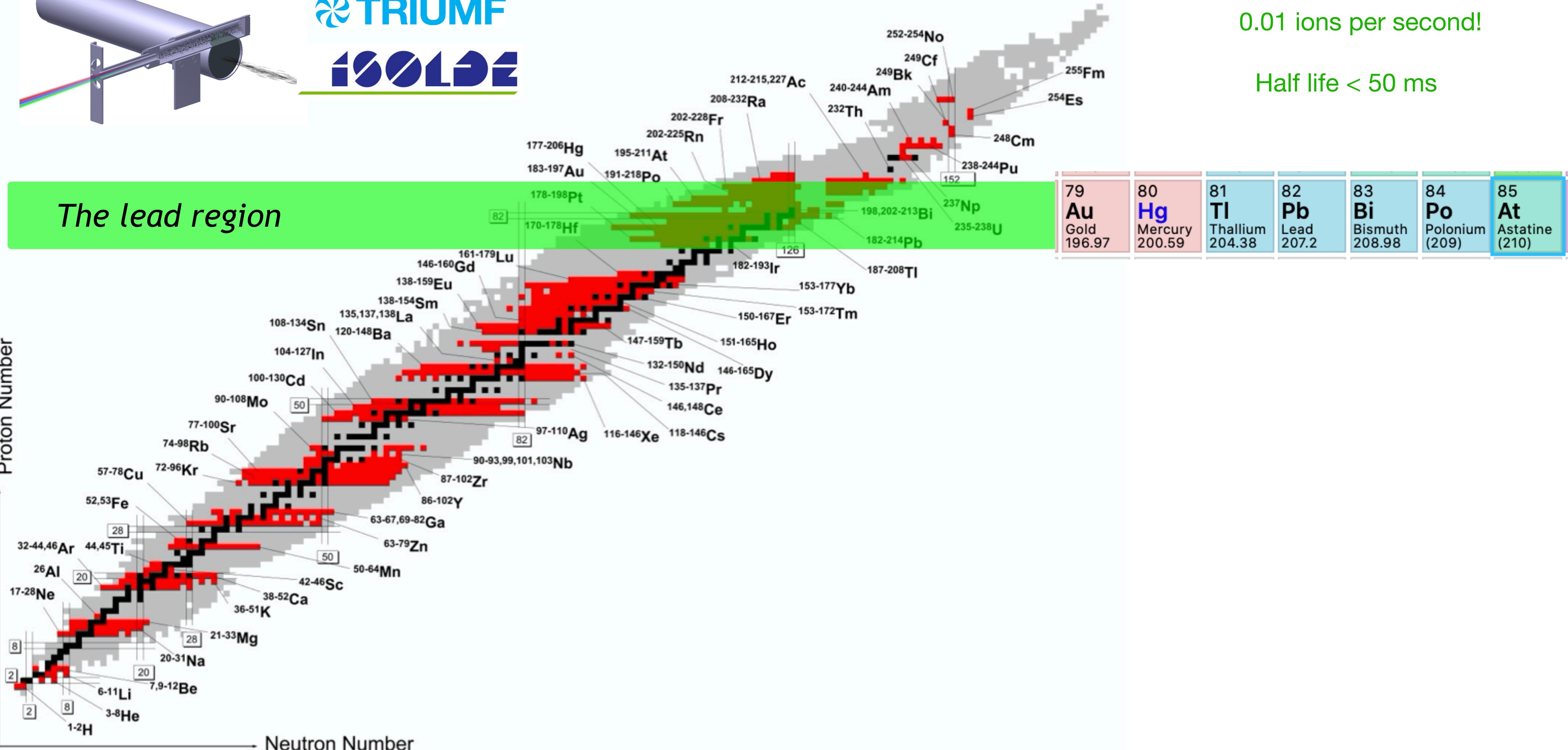
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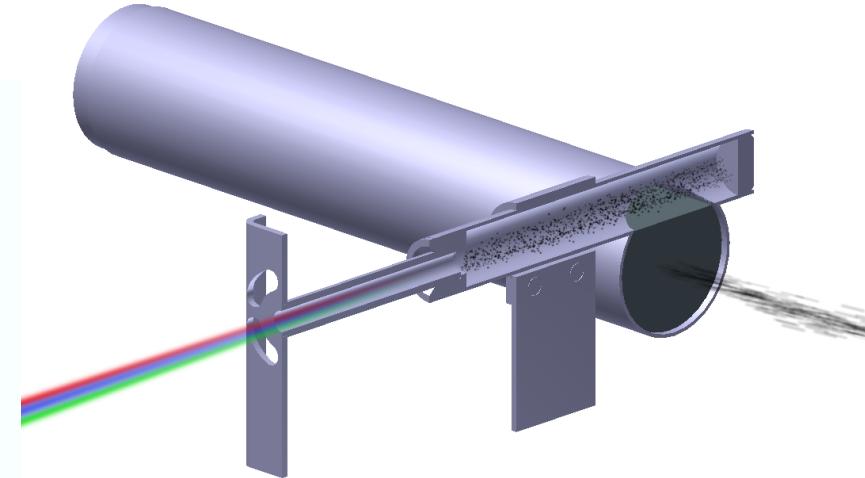
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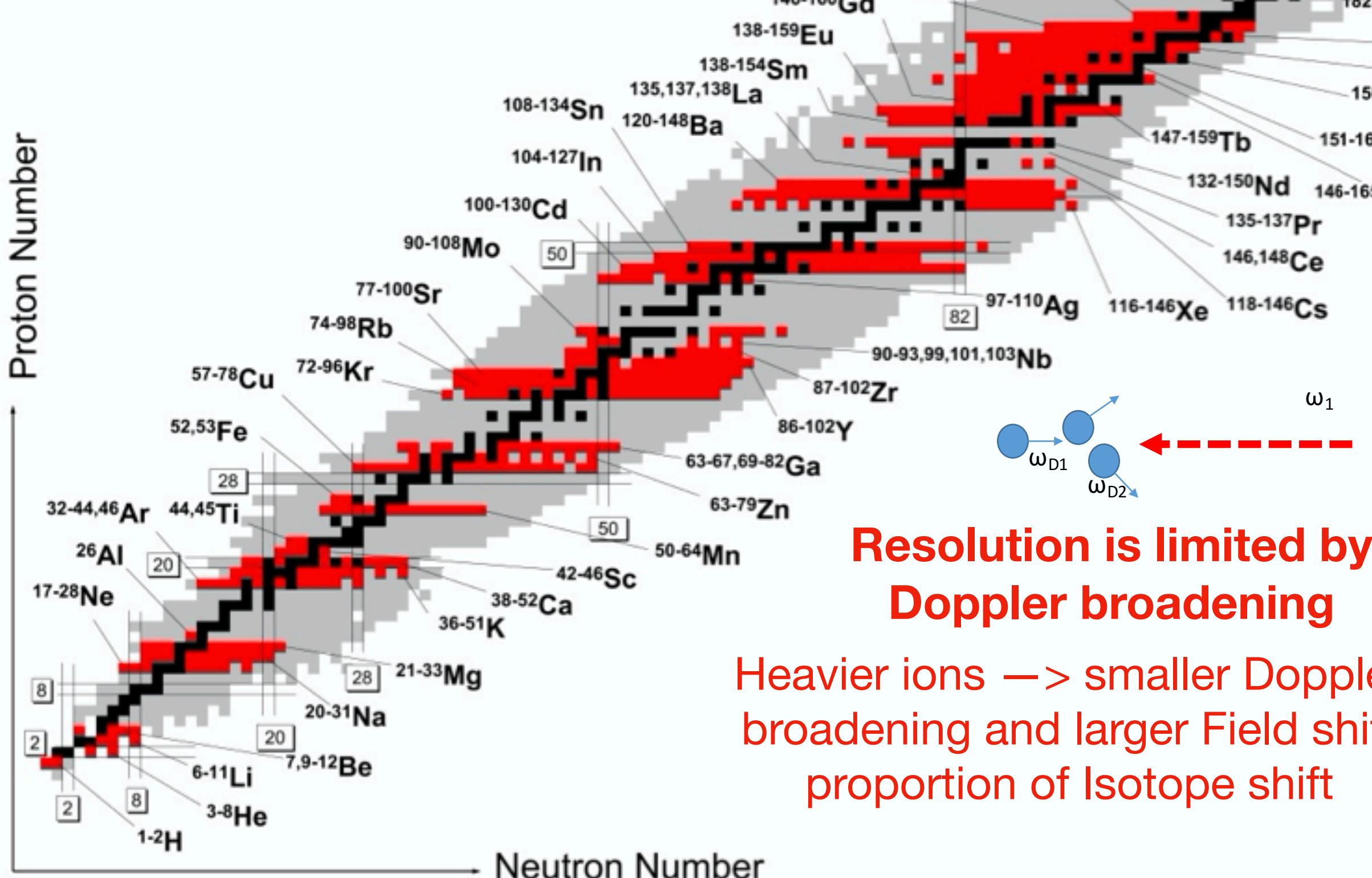
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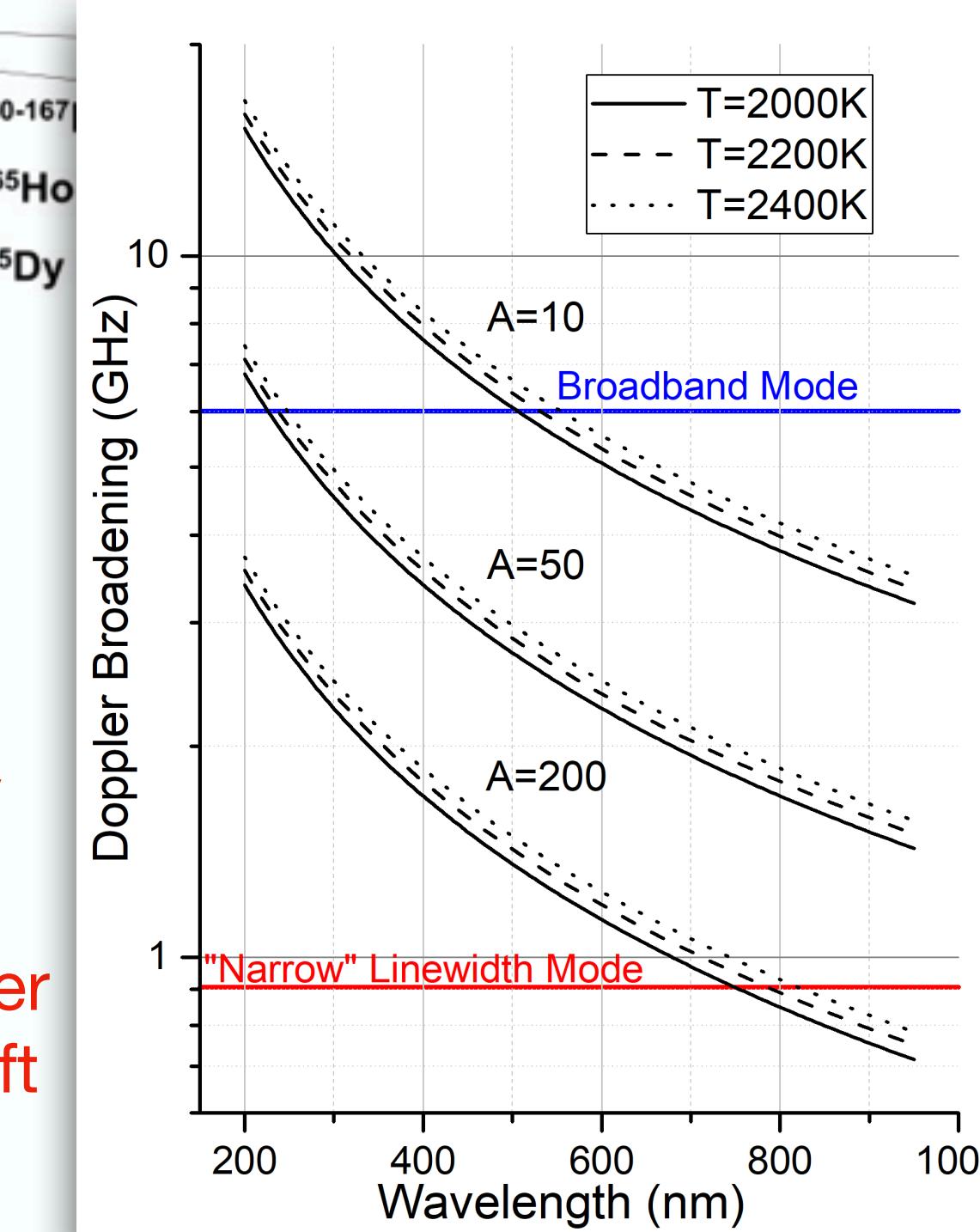
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# Resolution is limited by Doppler broadening

Heavier ions → smaller Doppler broadening and larger Field shift proportion of Isotope shift



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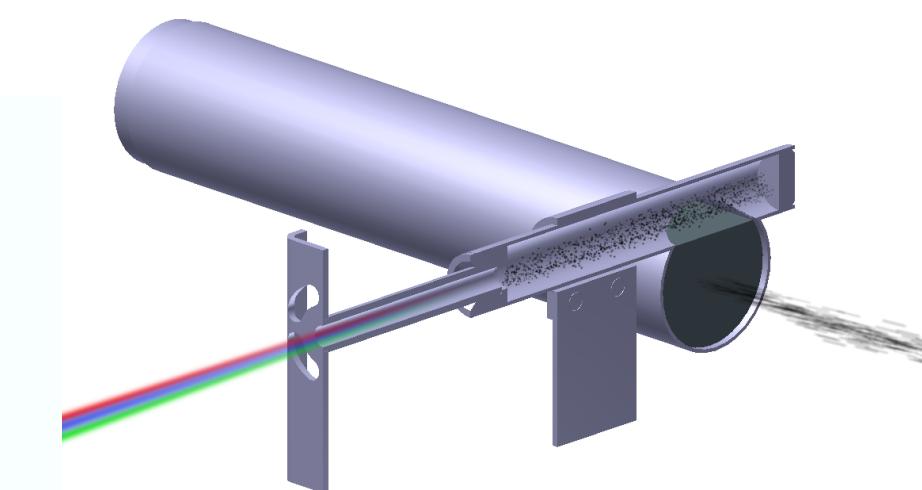
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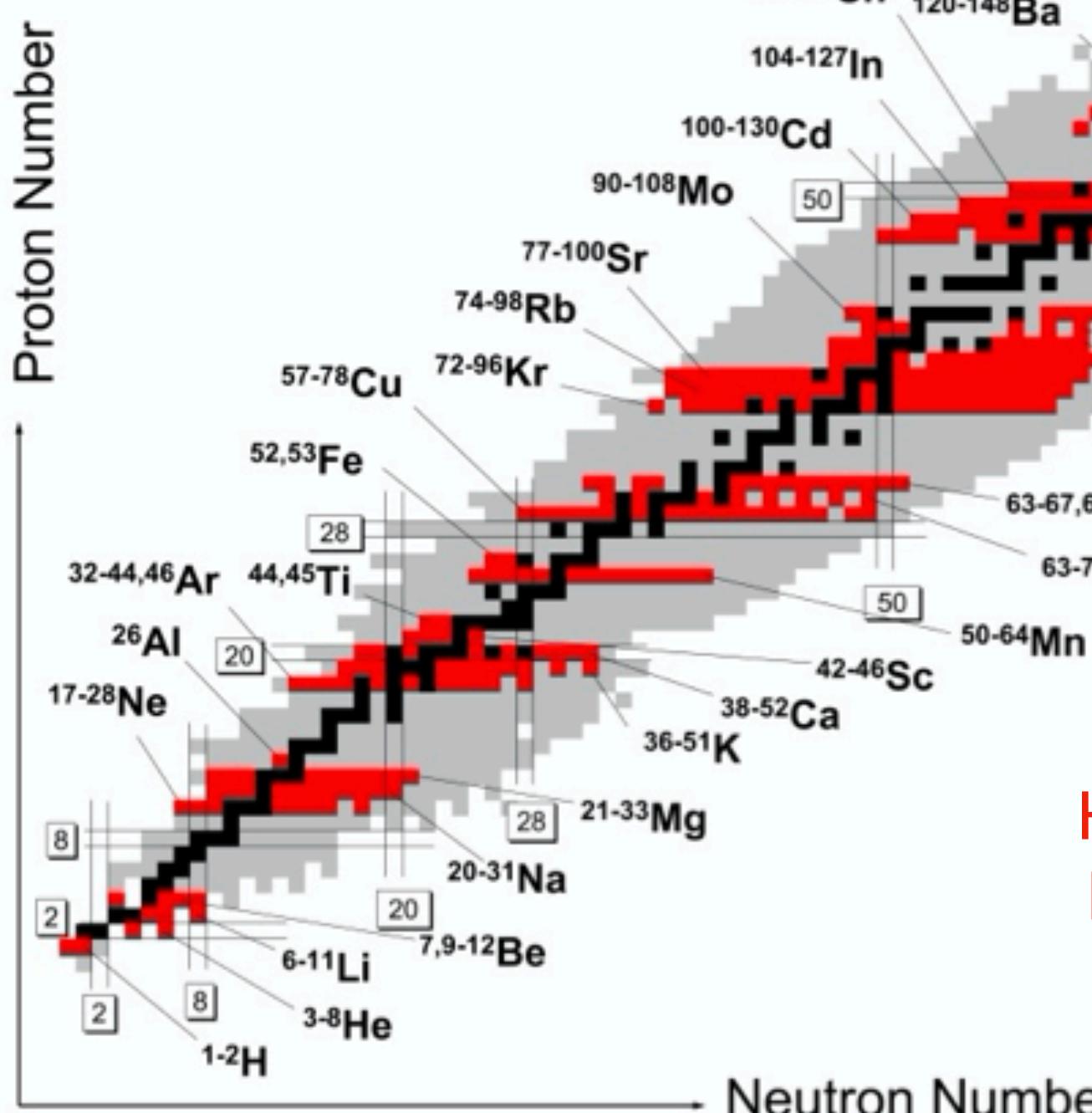
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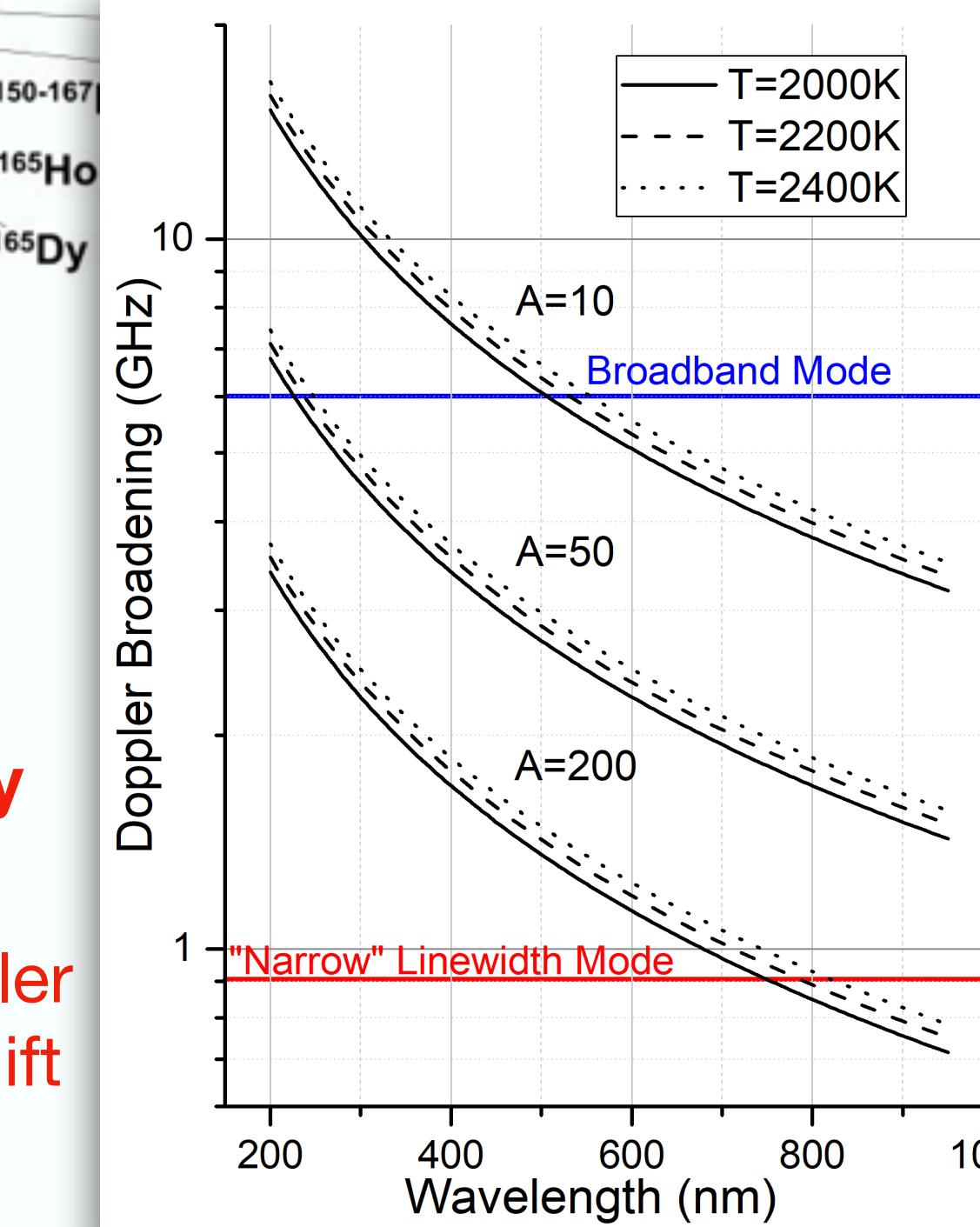
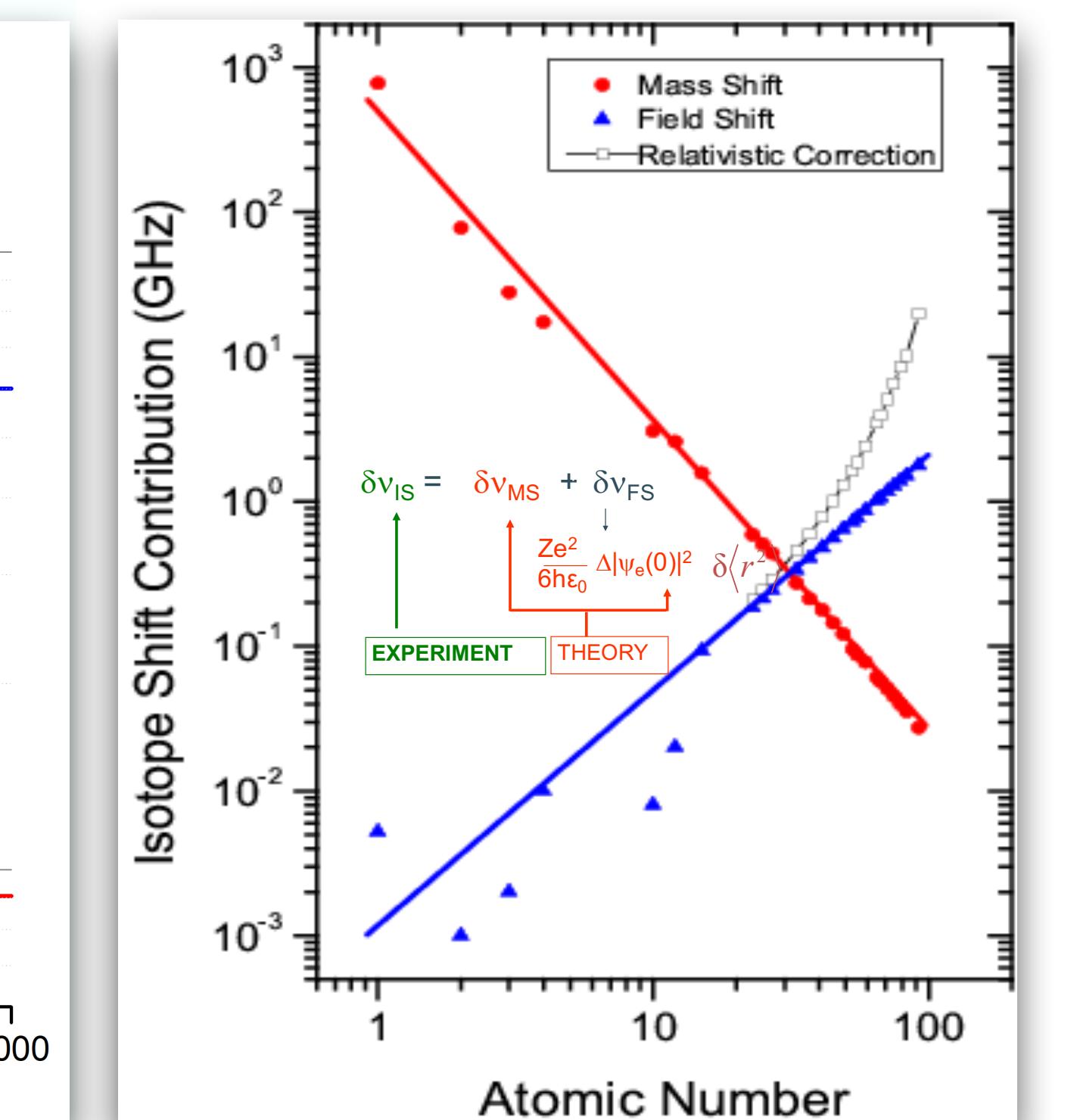
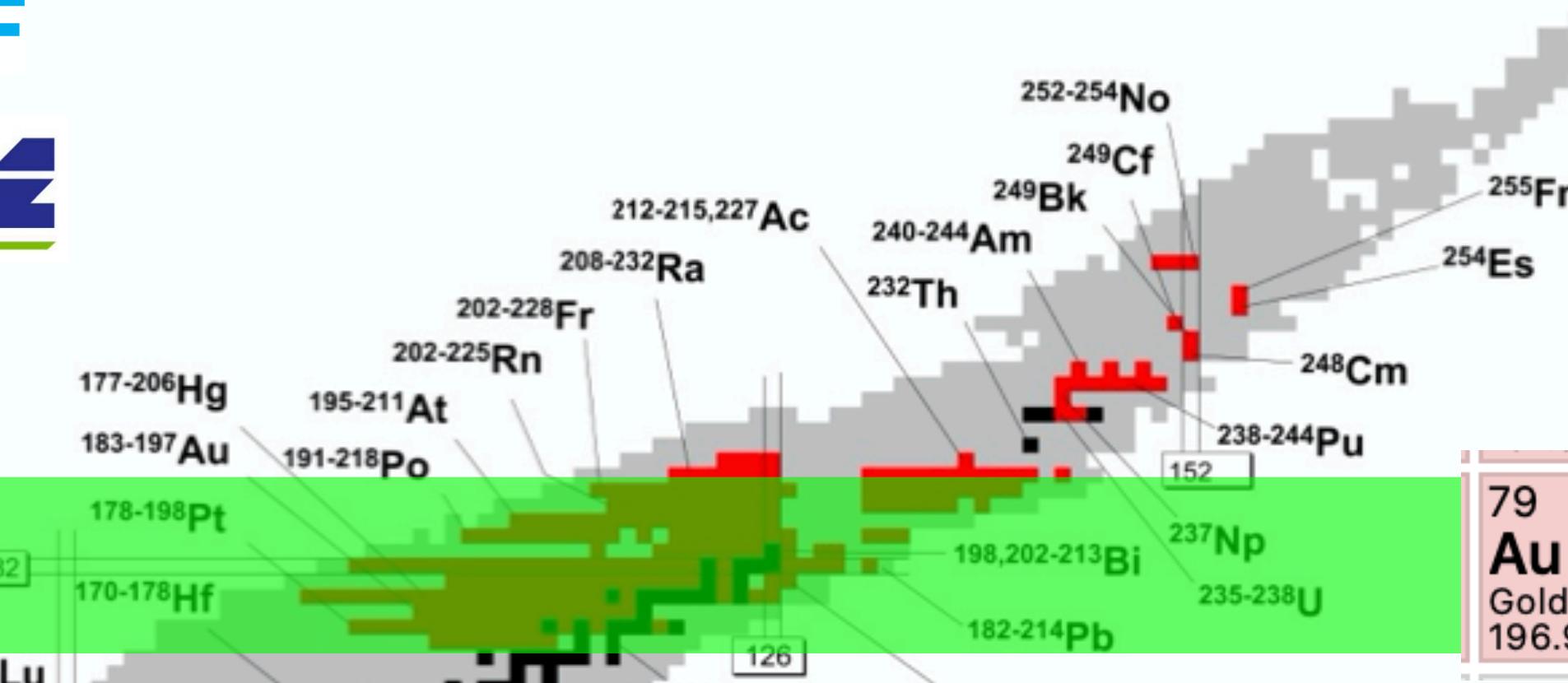
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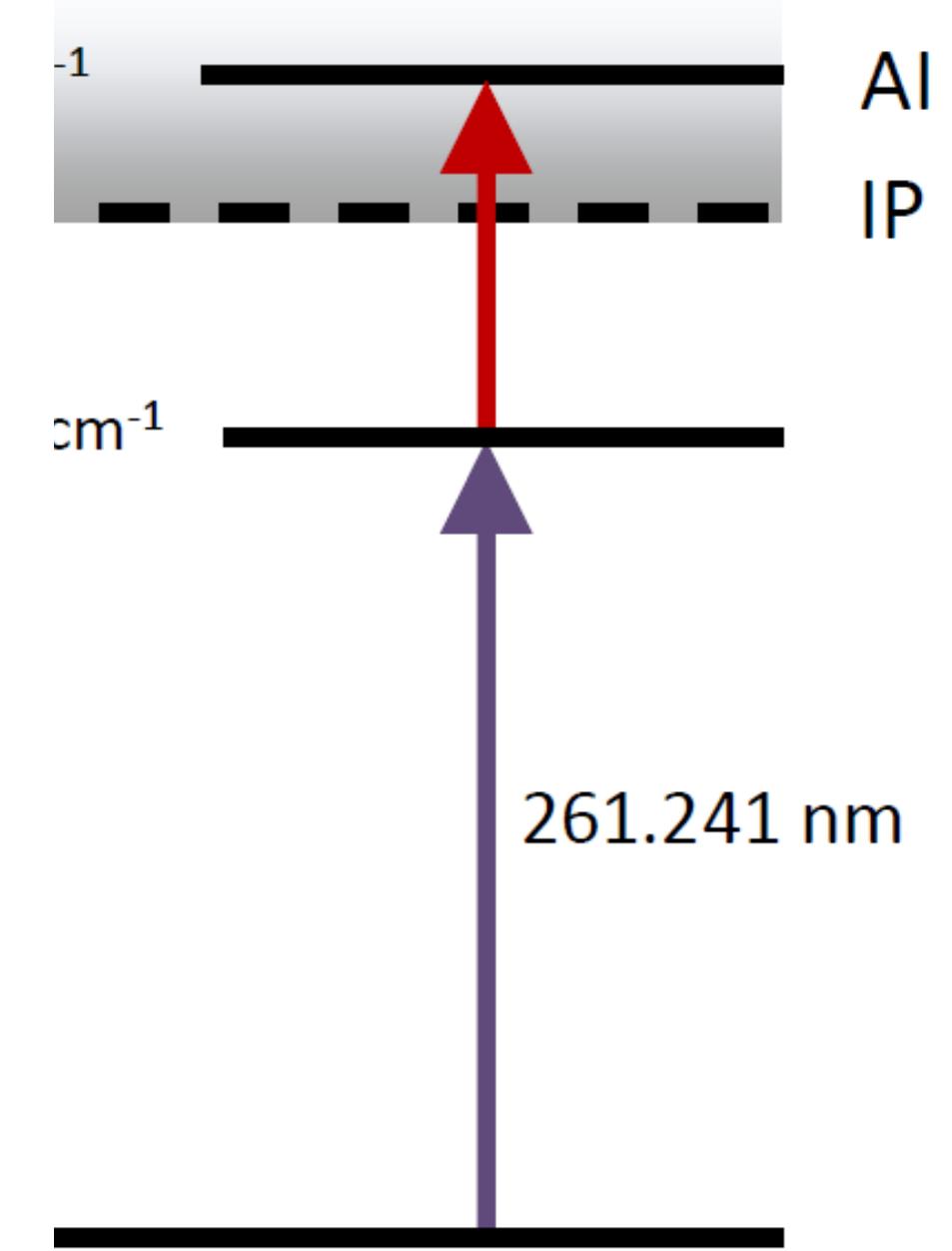
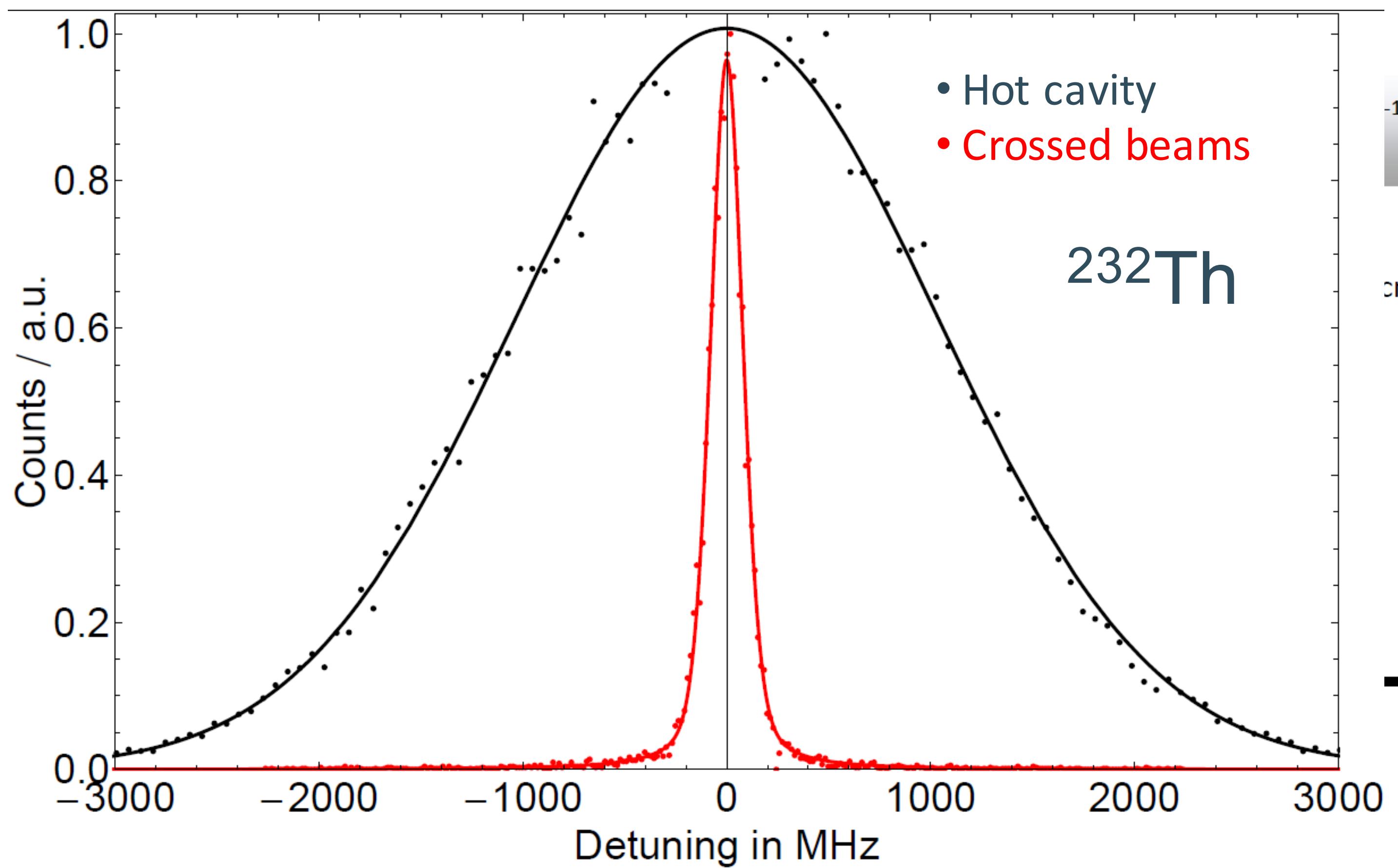
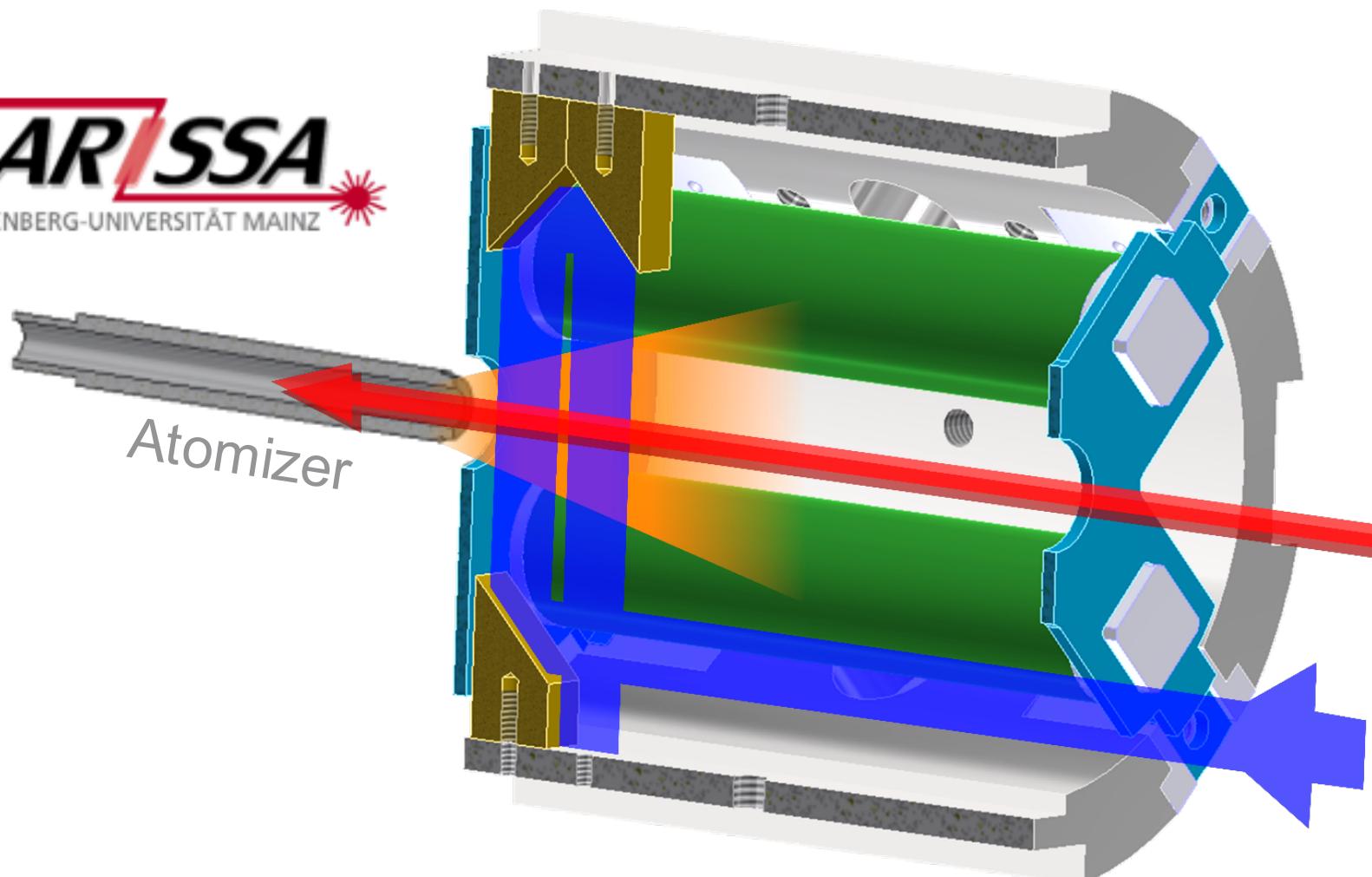


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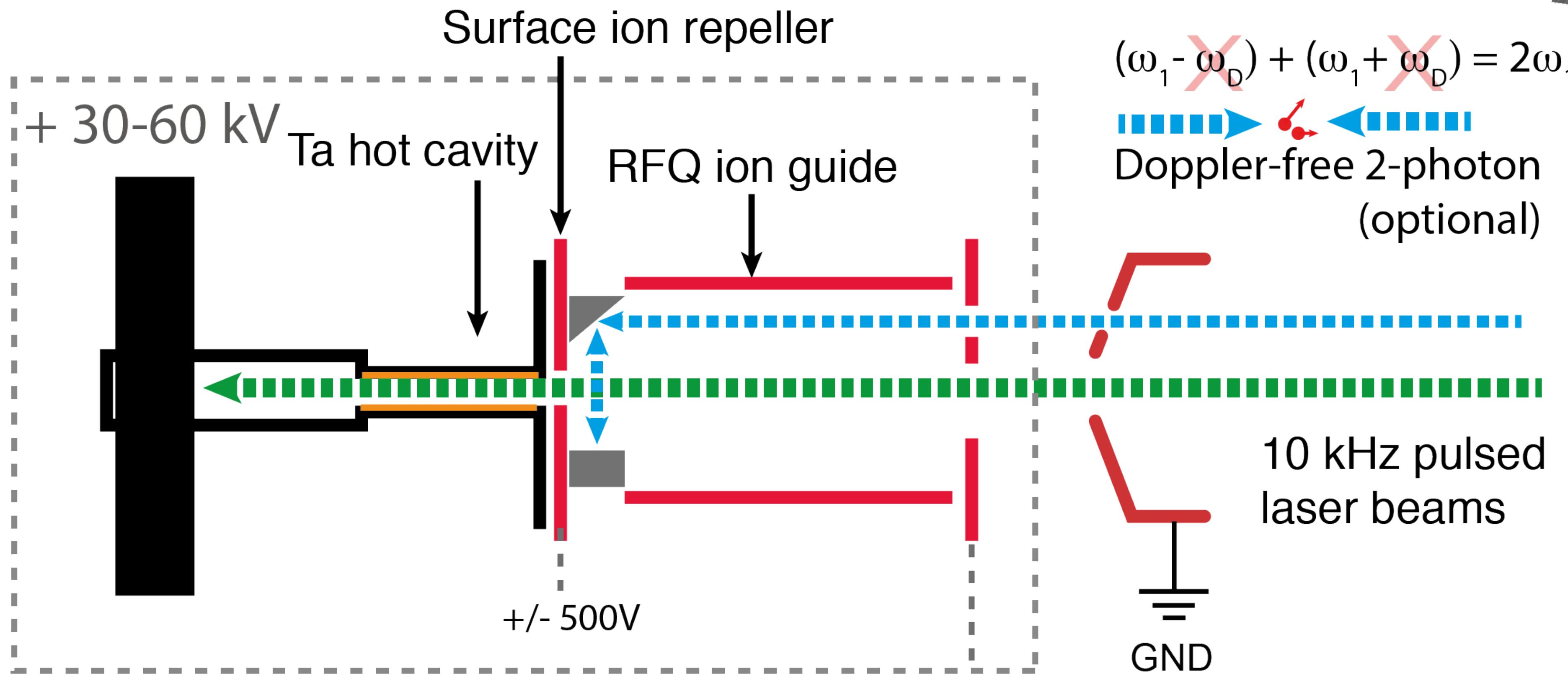
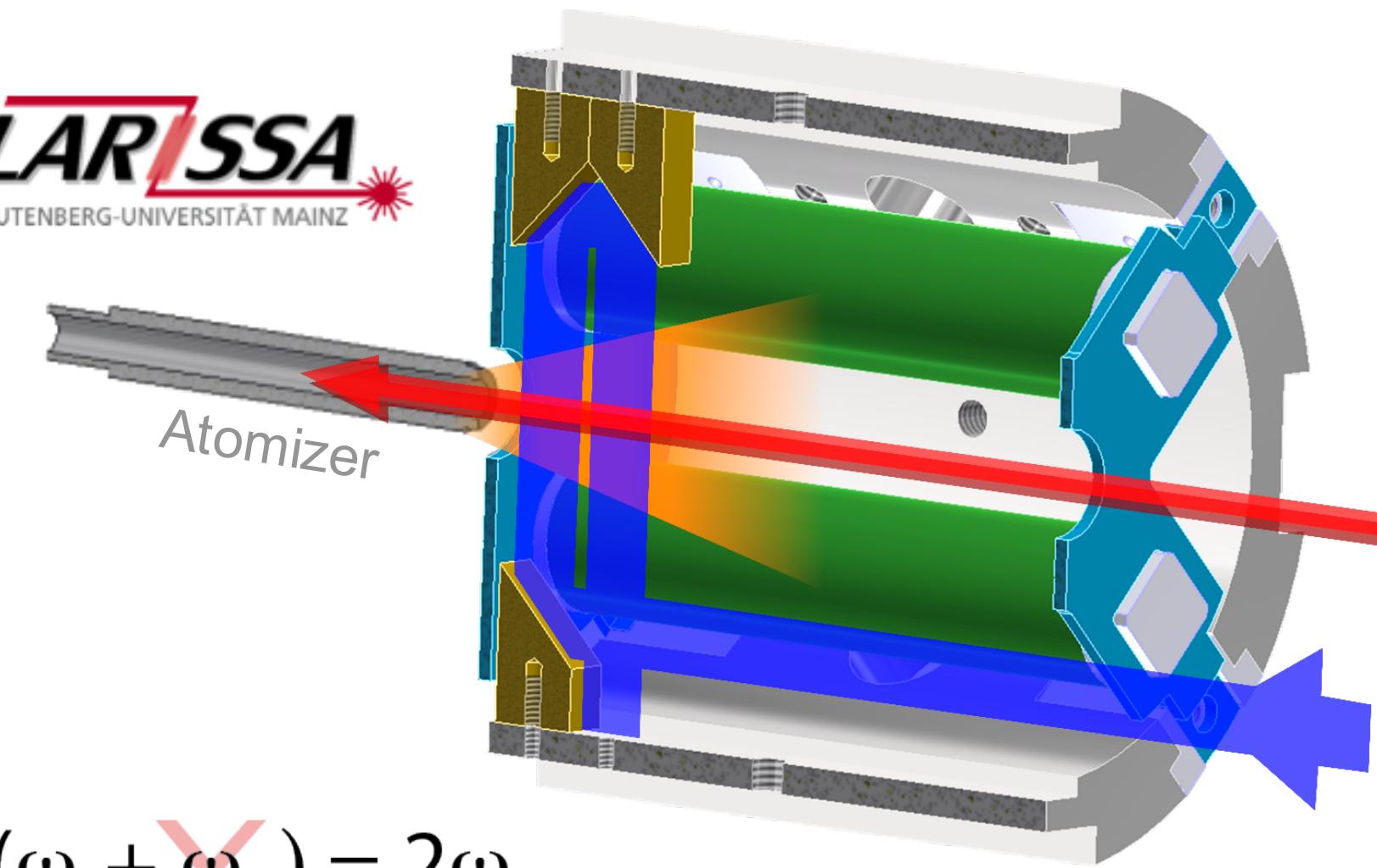




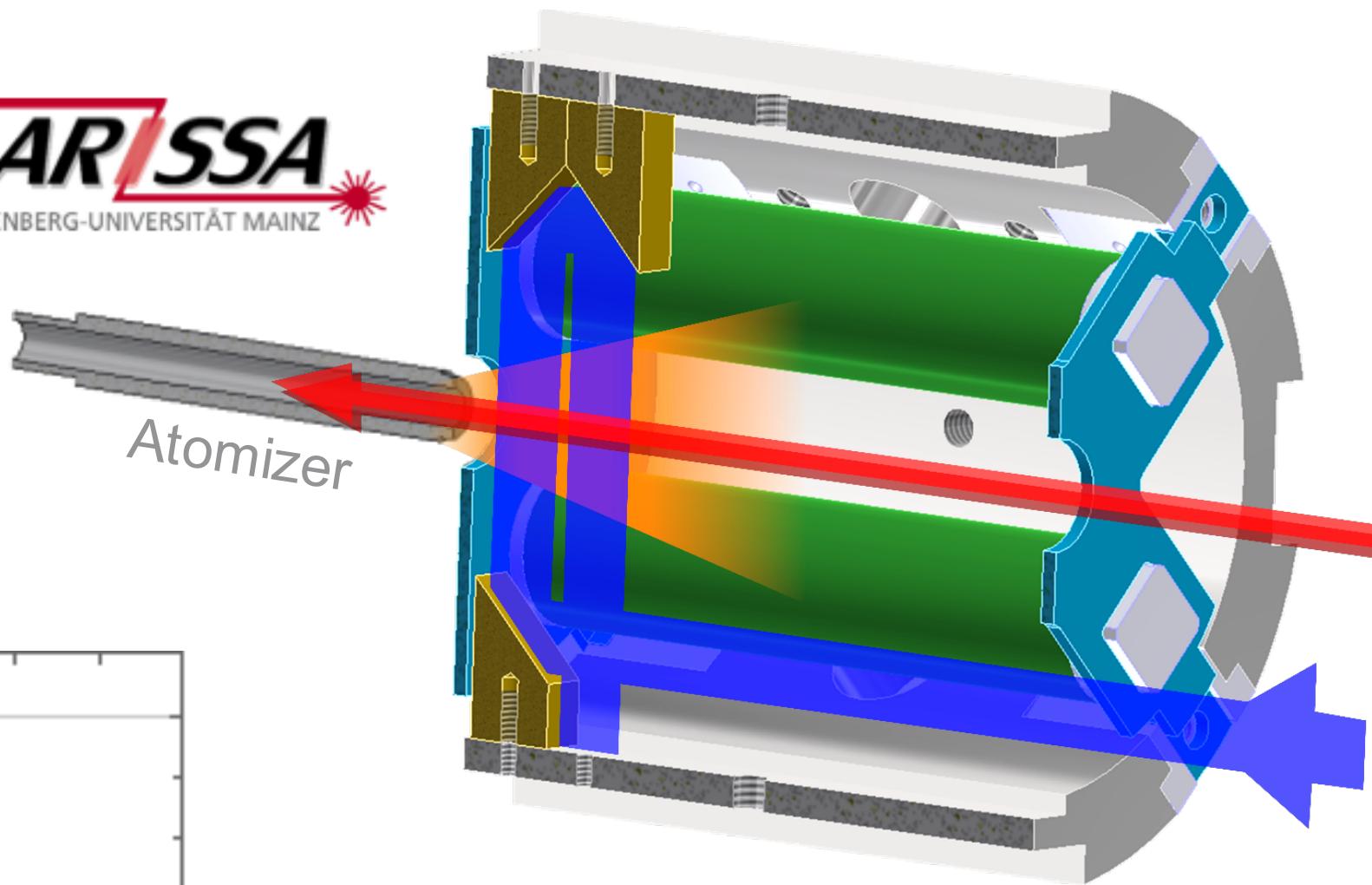
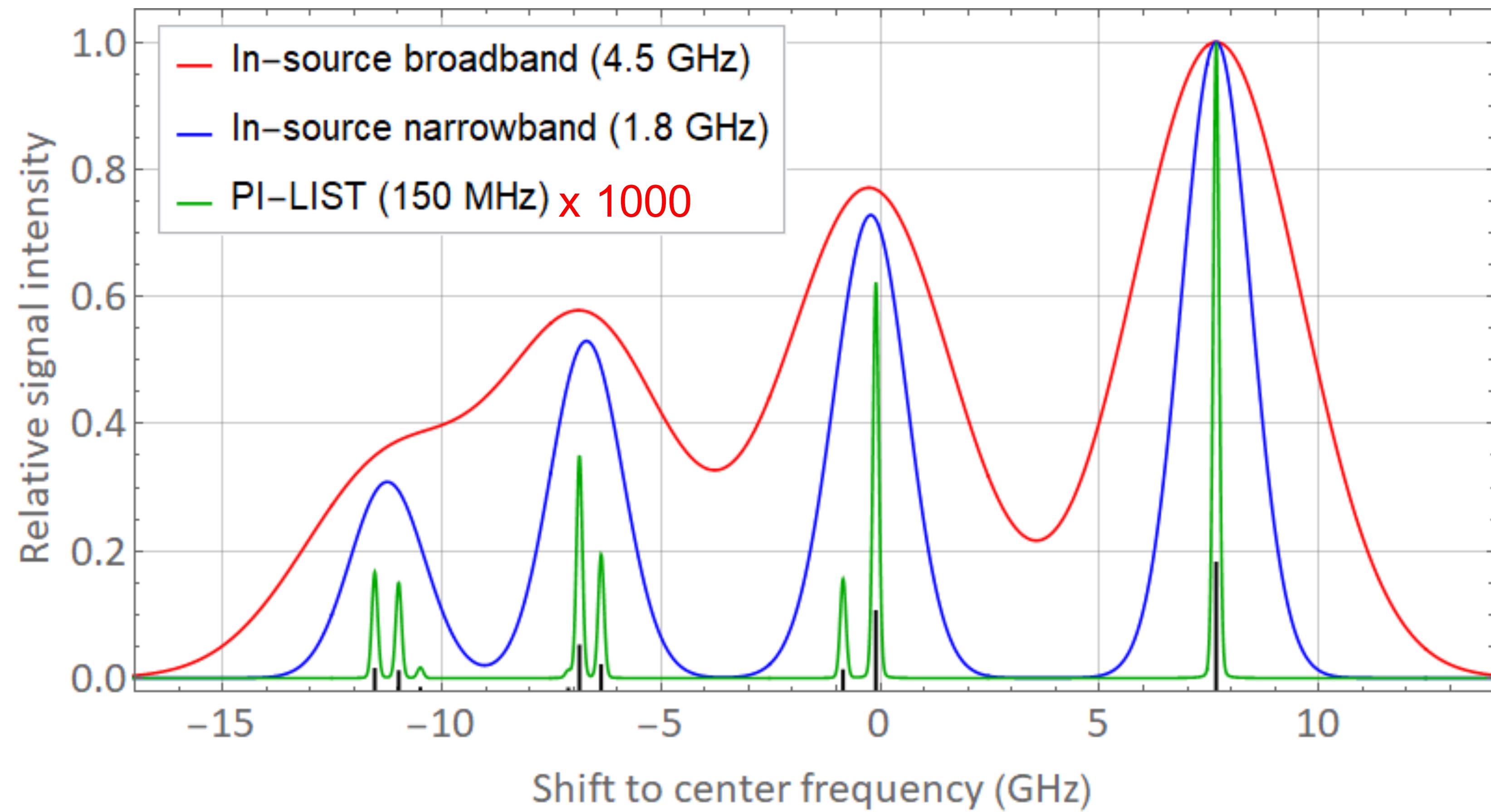
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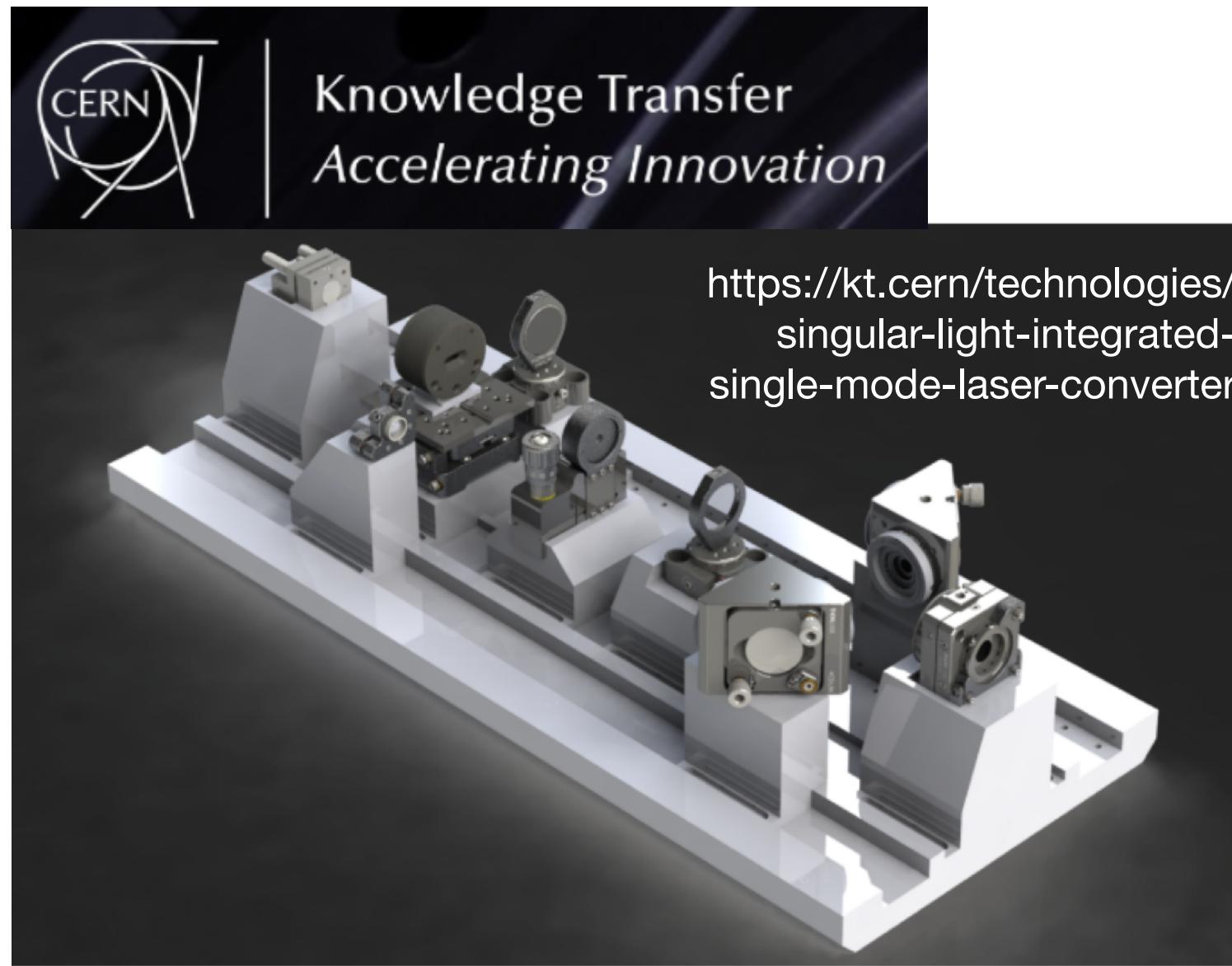
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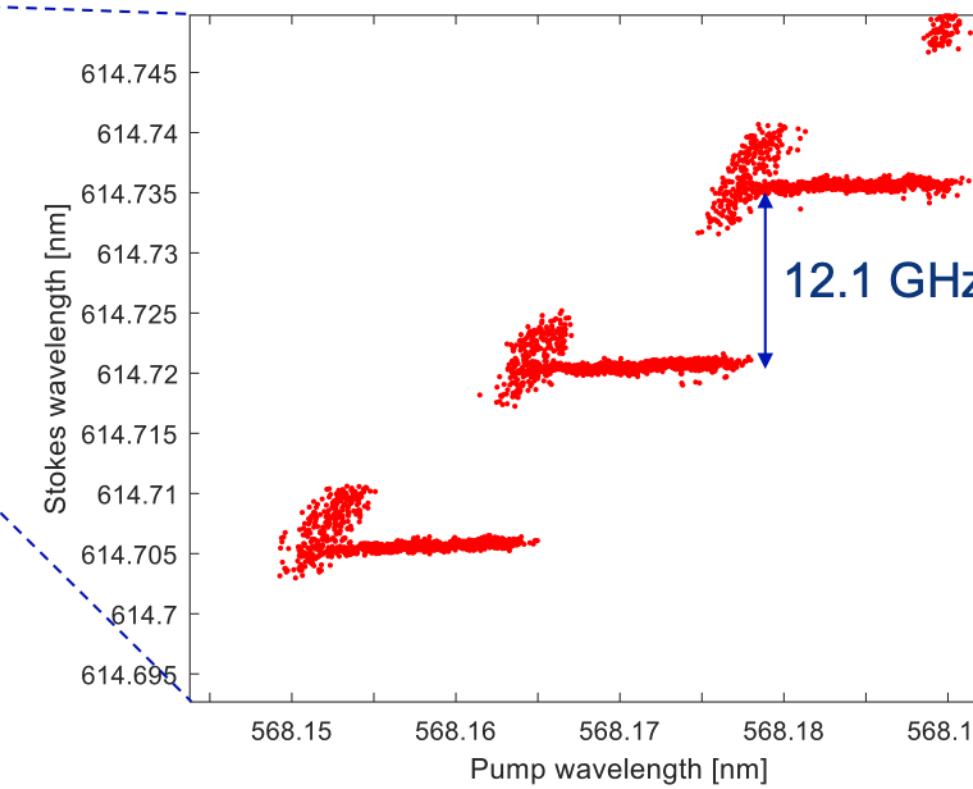
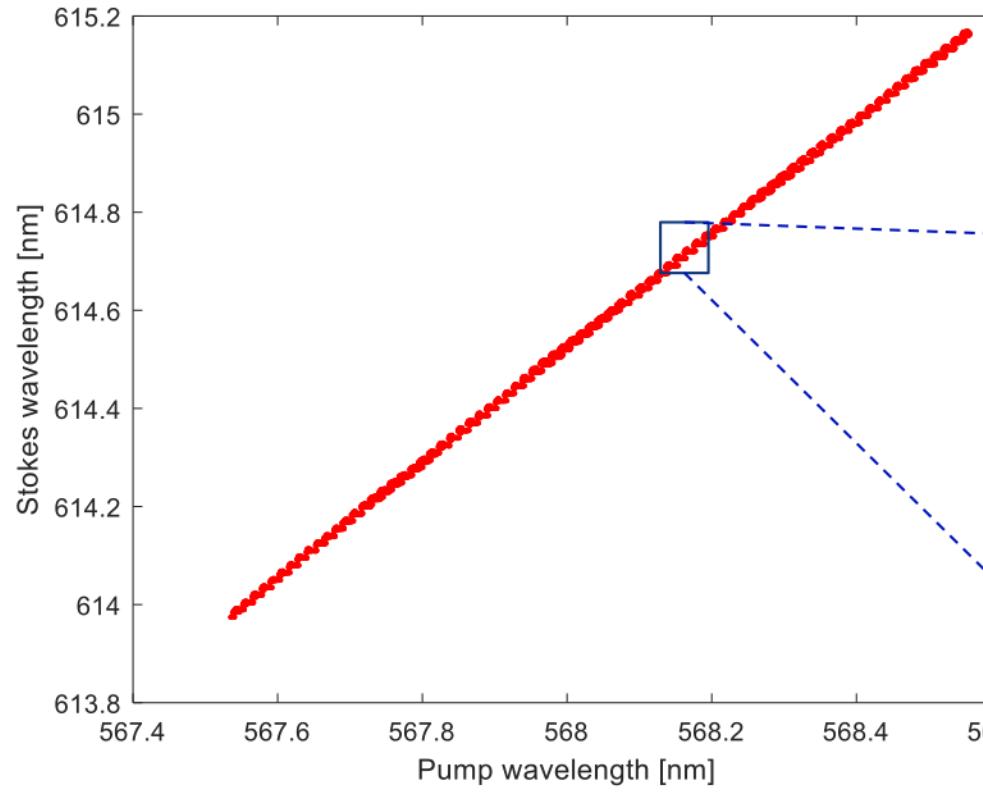
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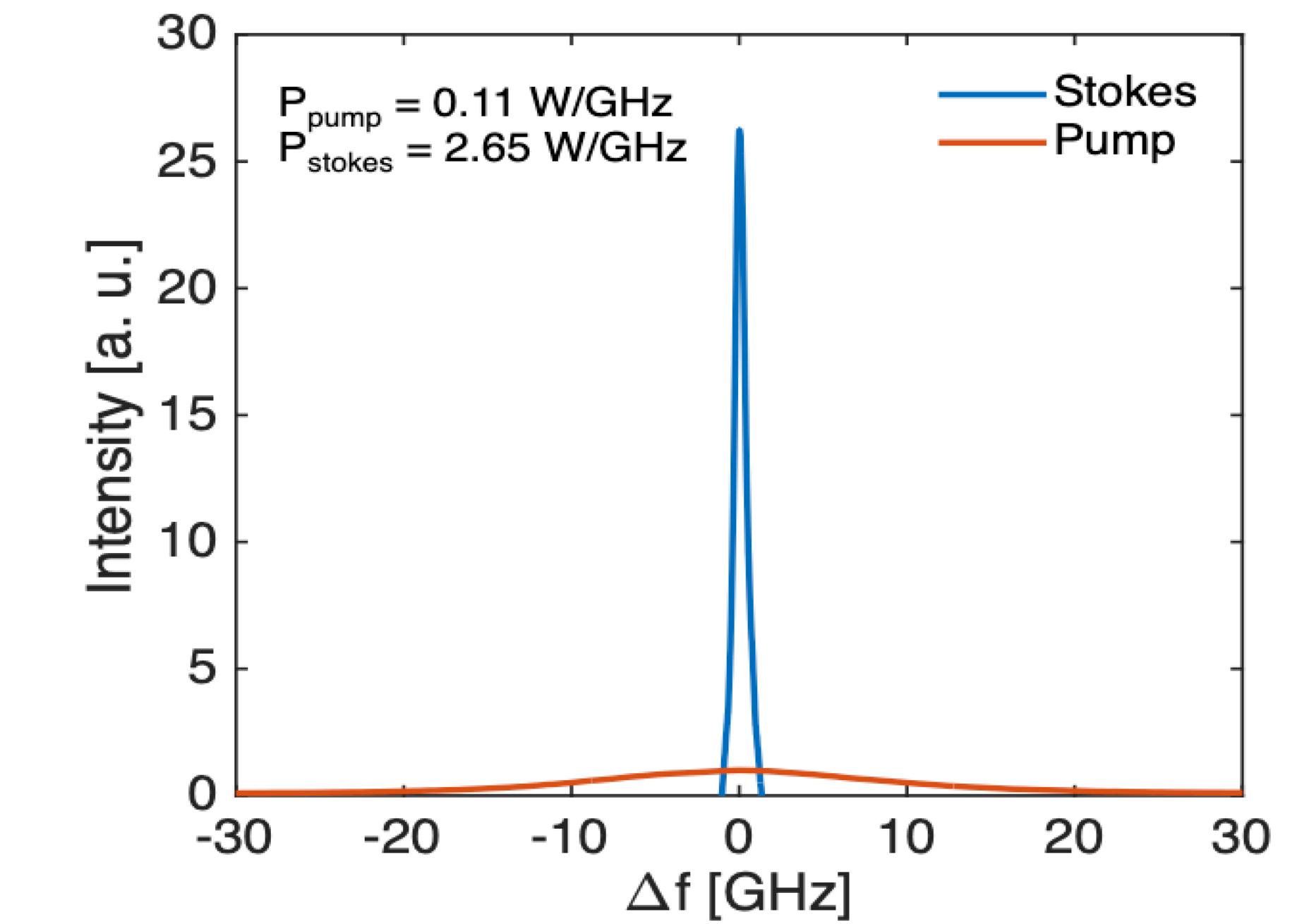
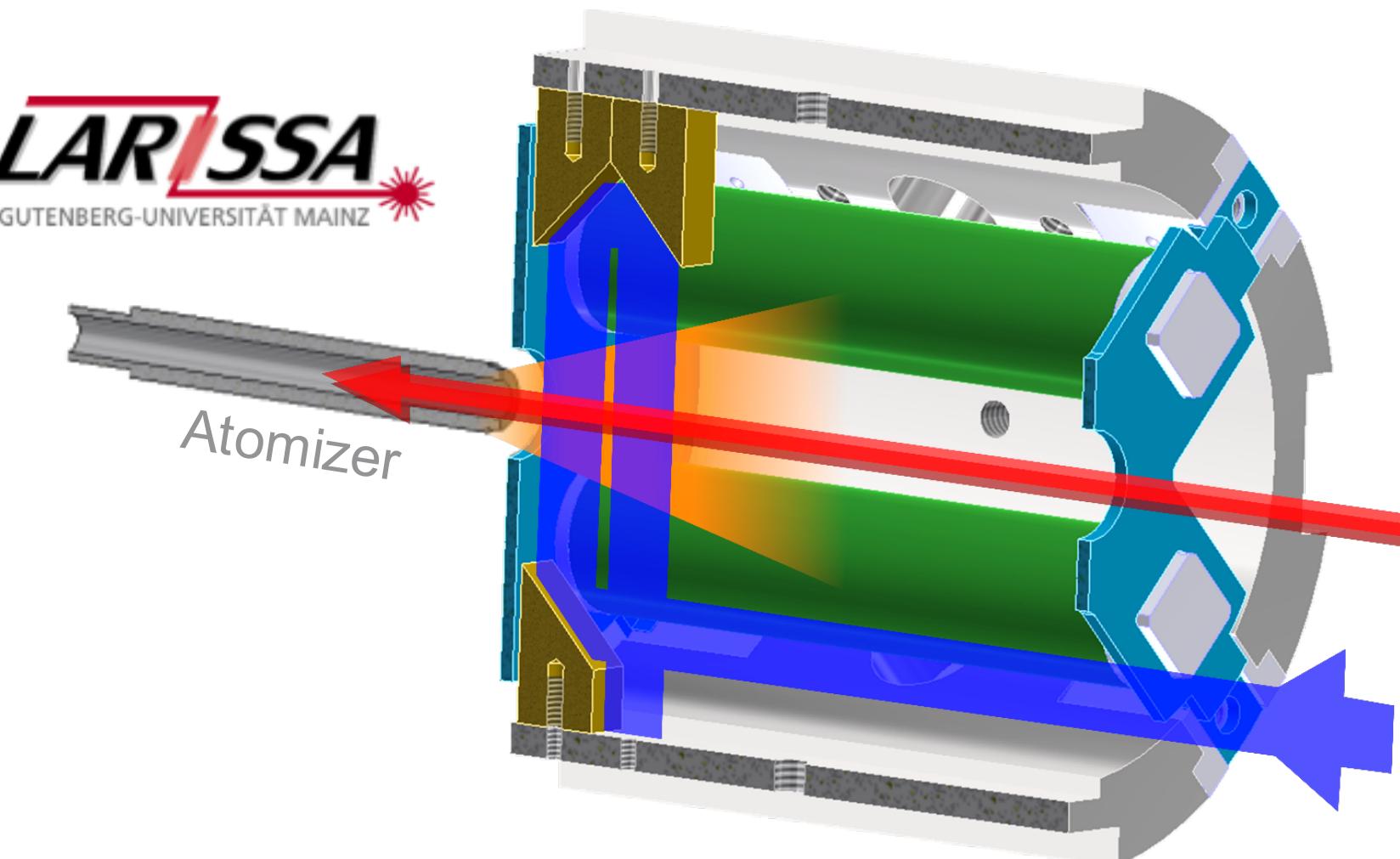
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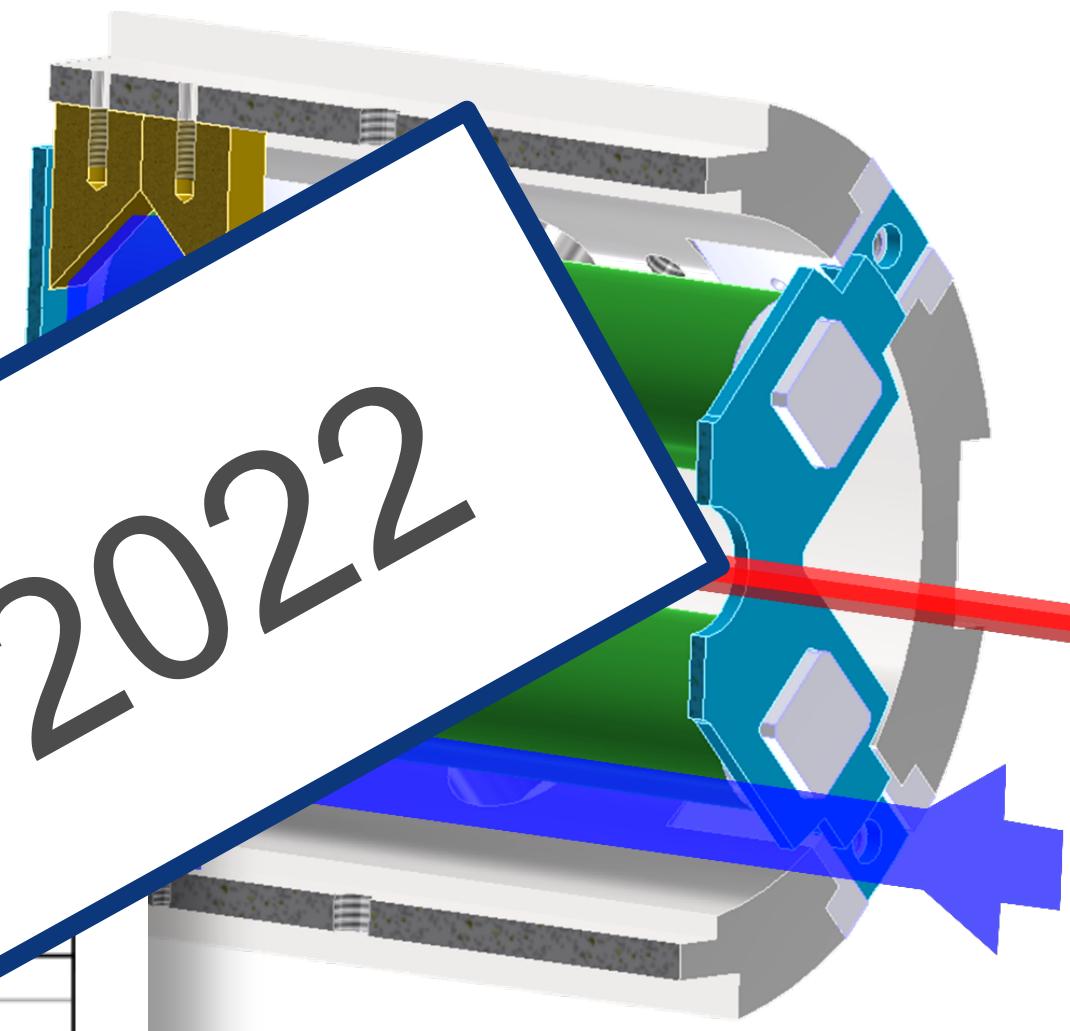
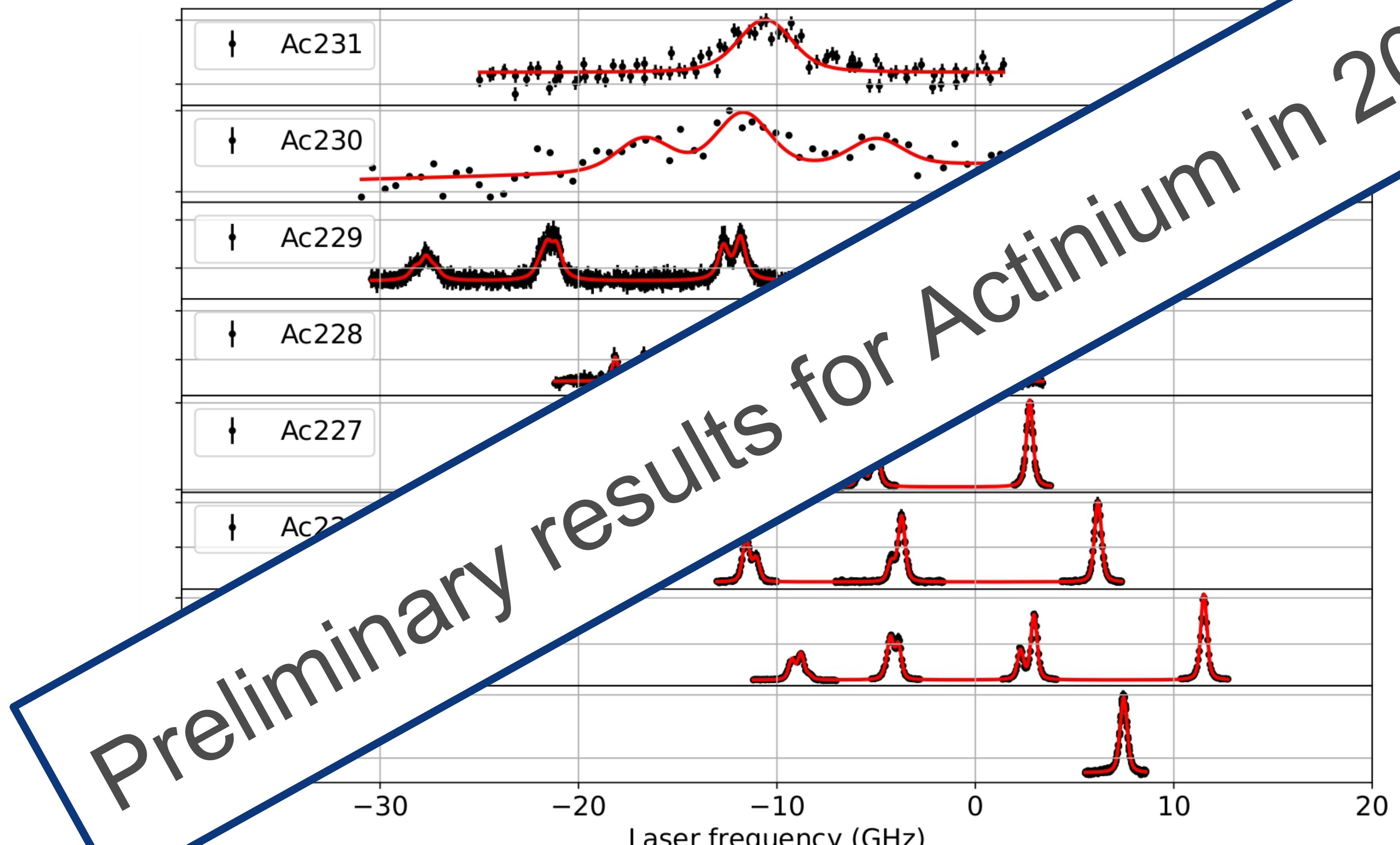


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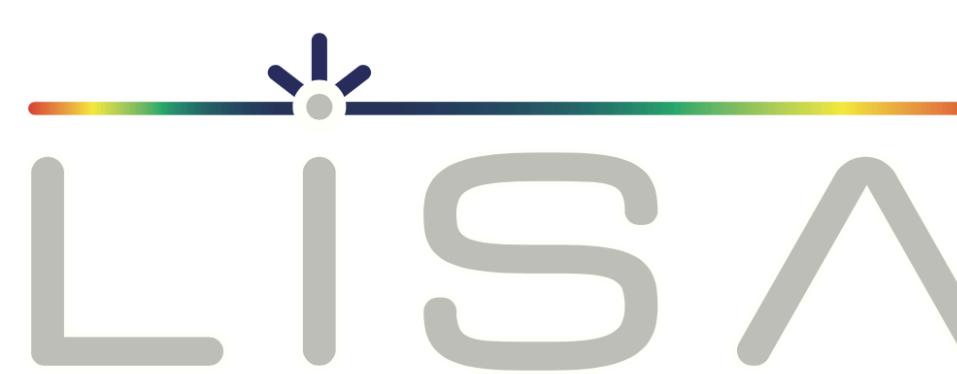
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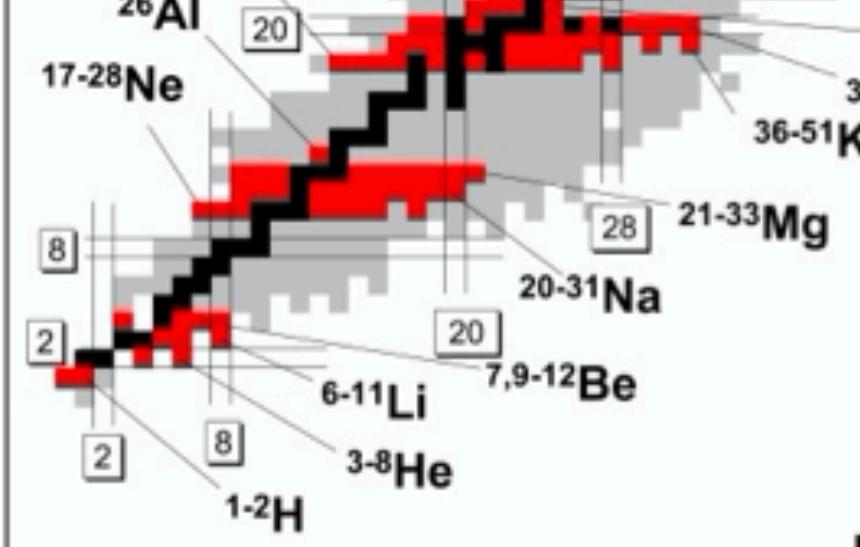
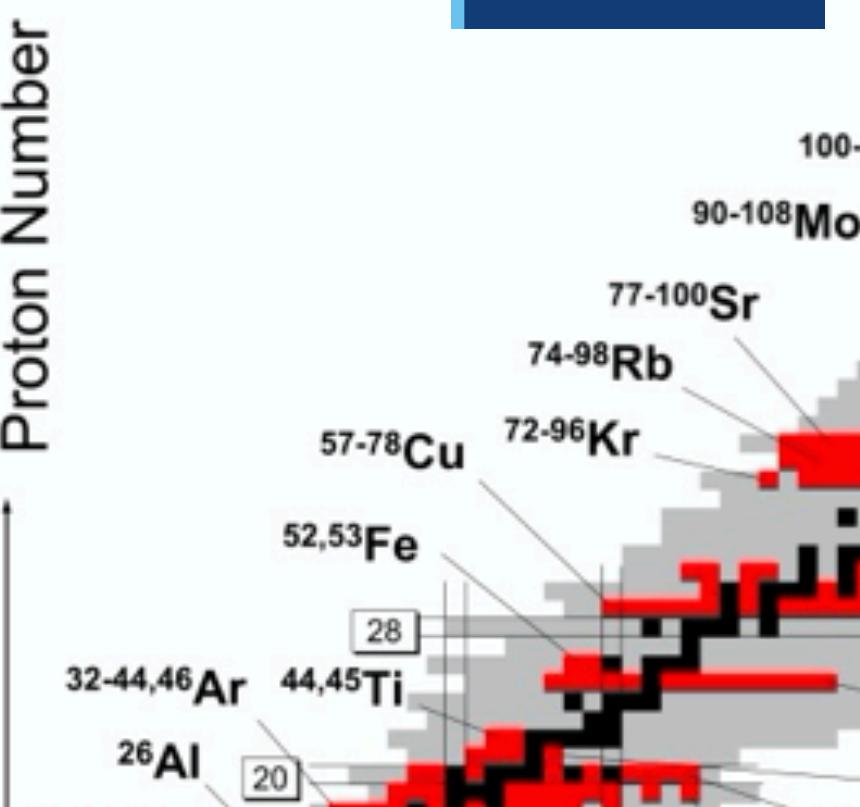
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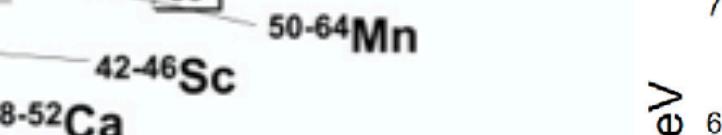
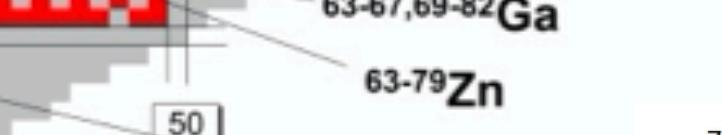
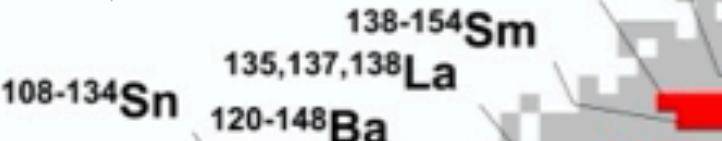
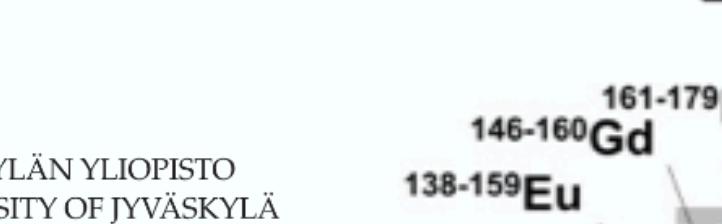
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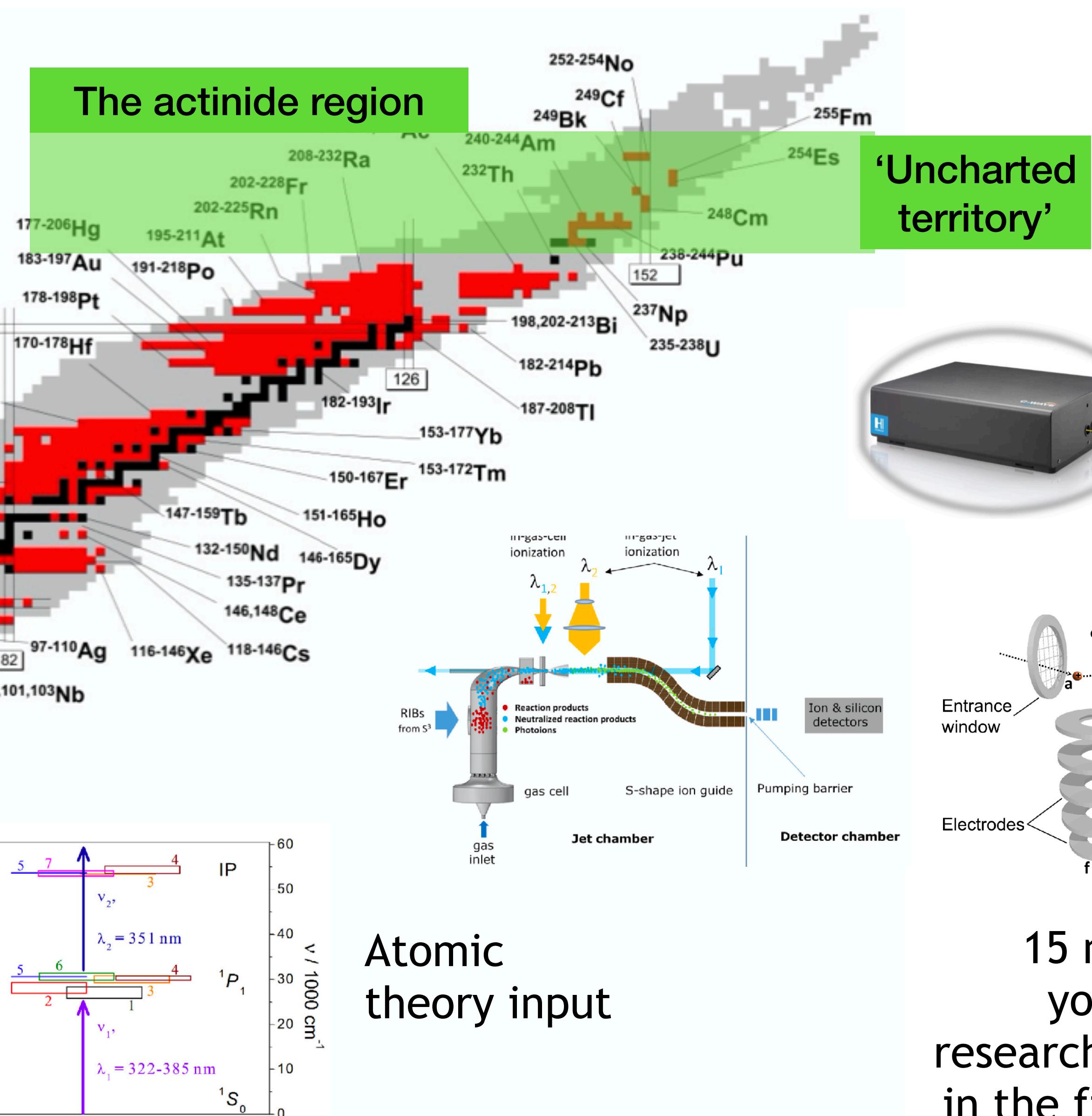
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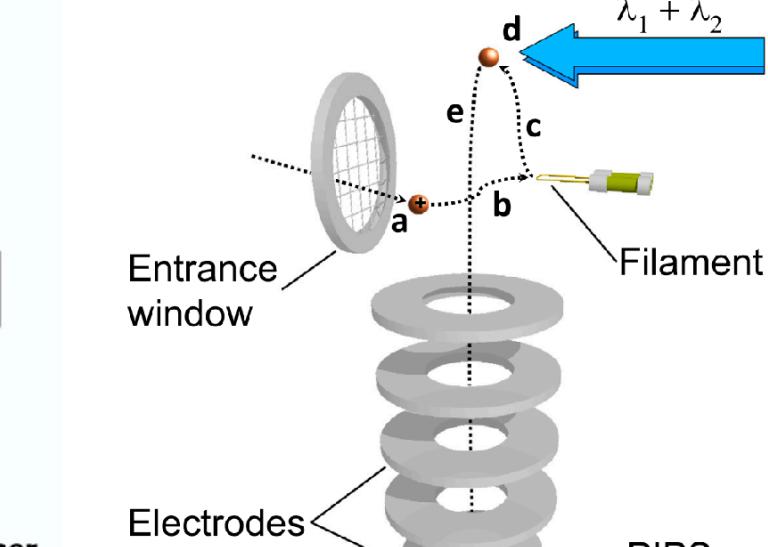
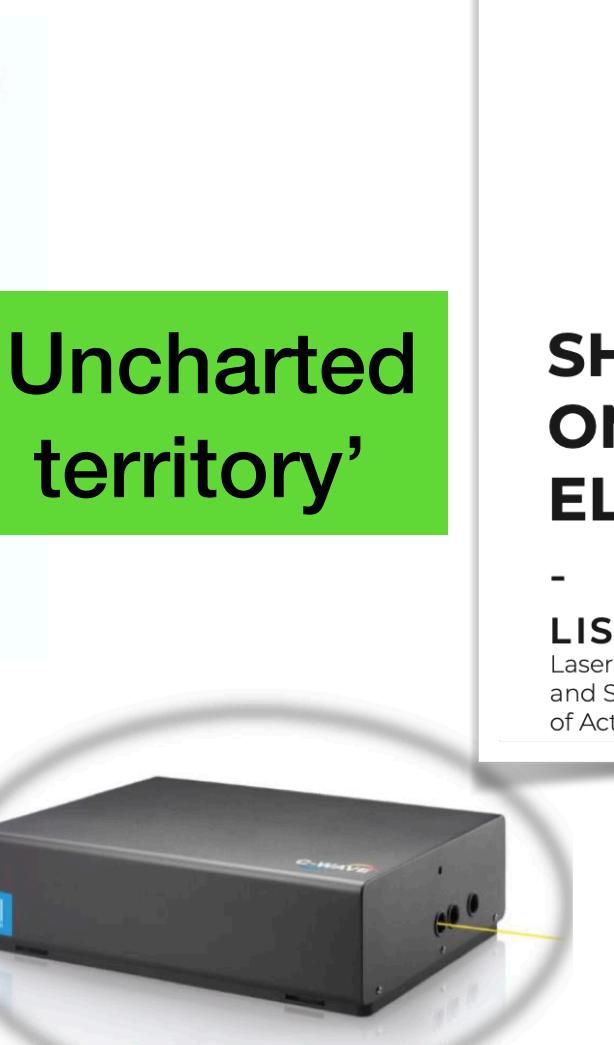
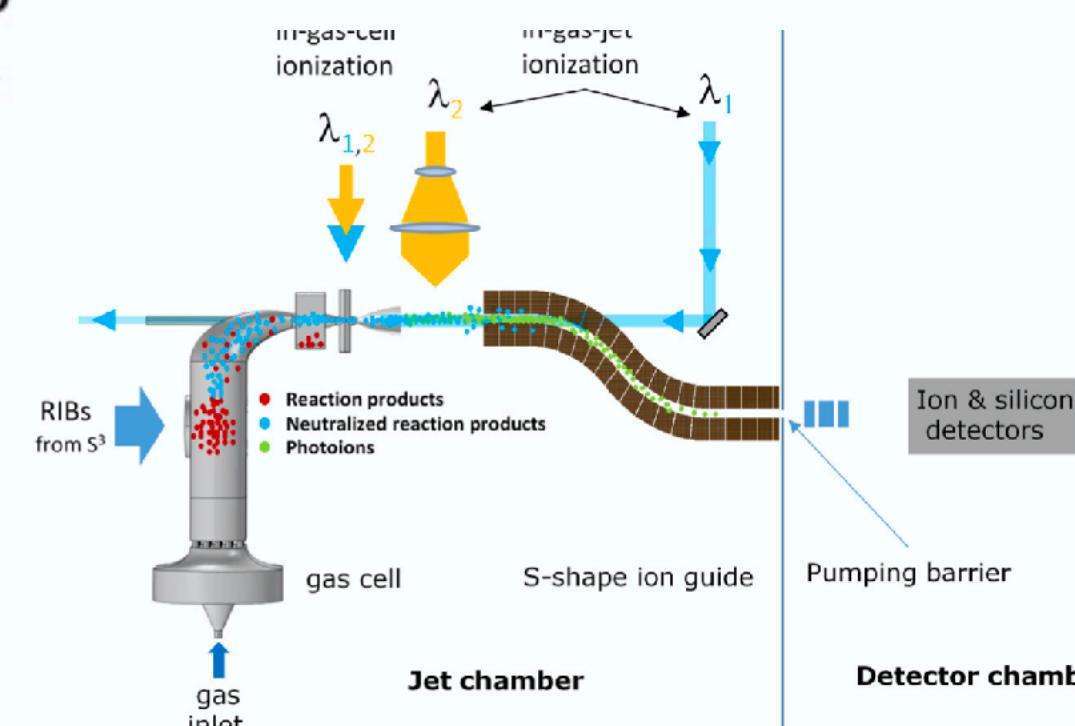
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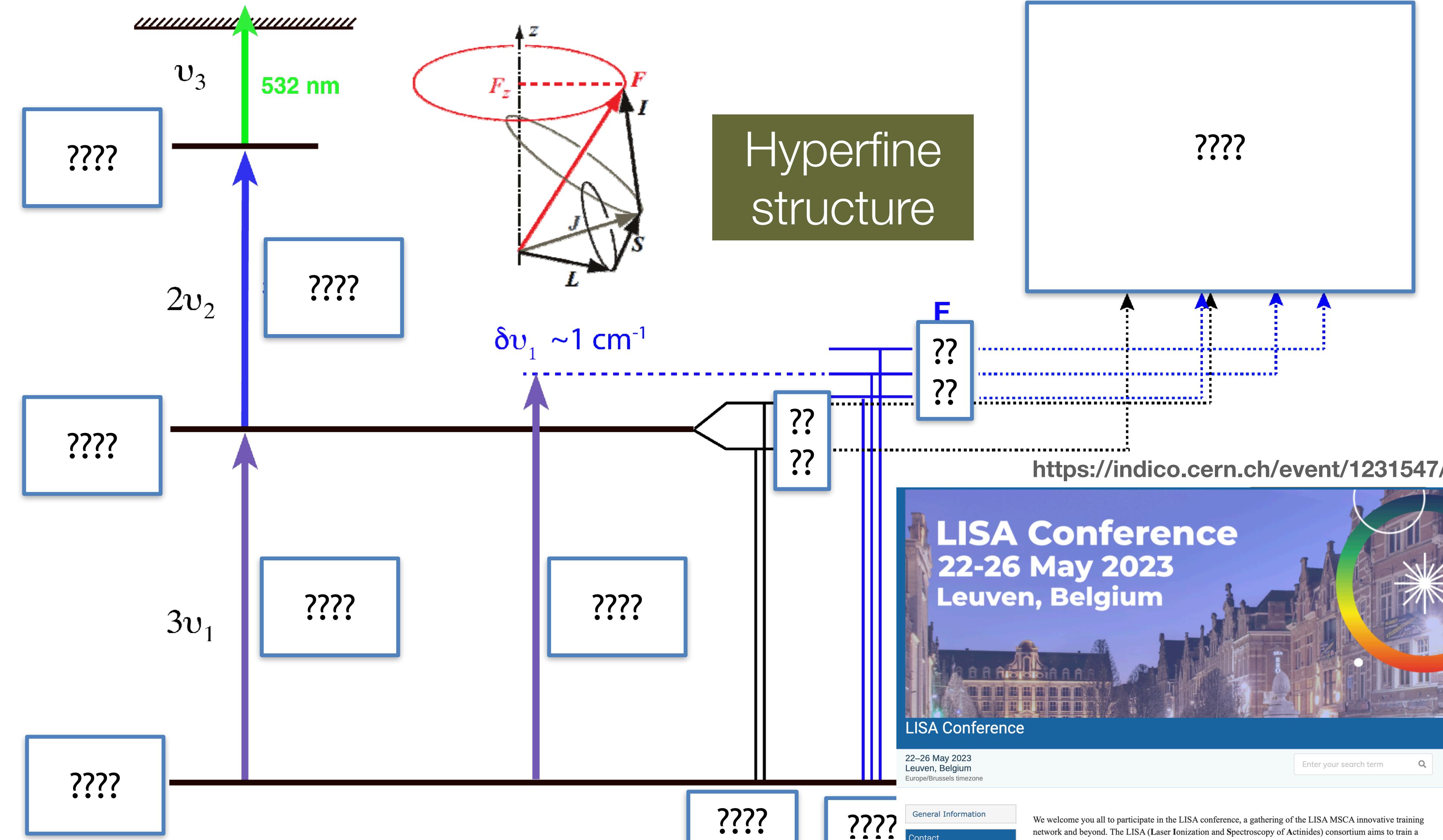


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