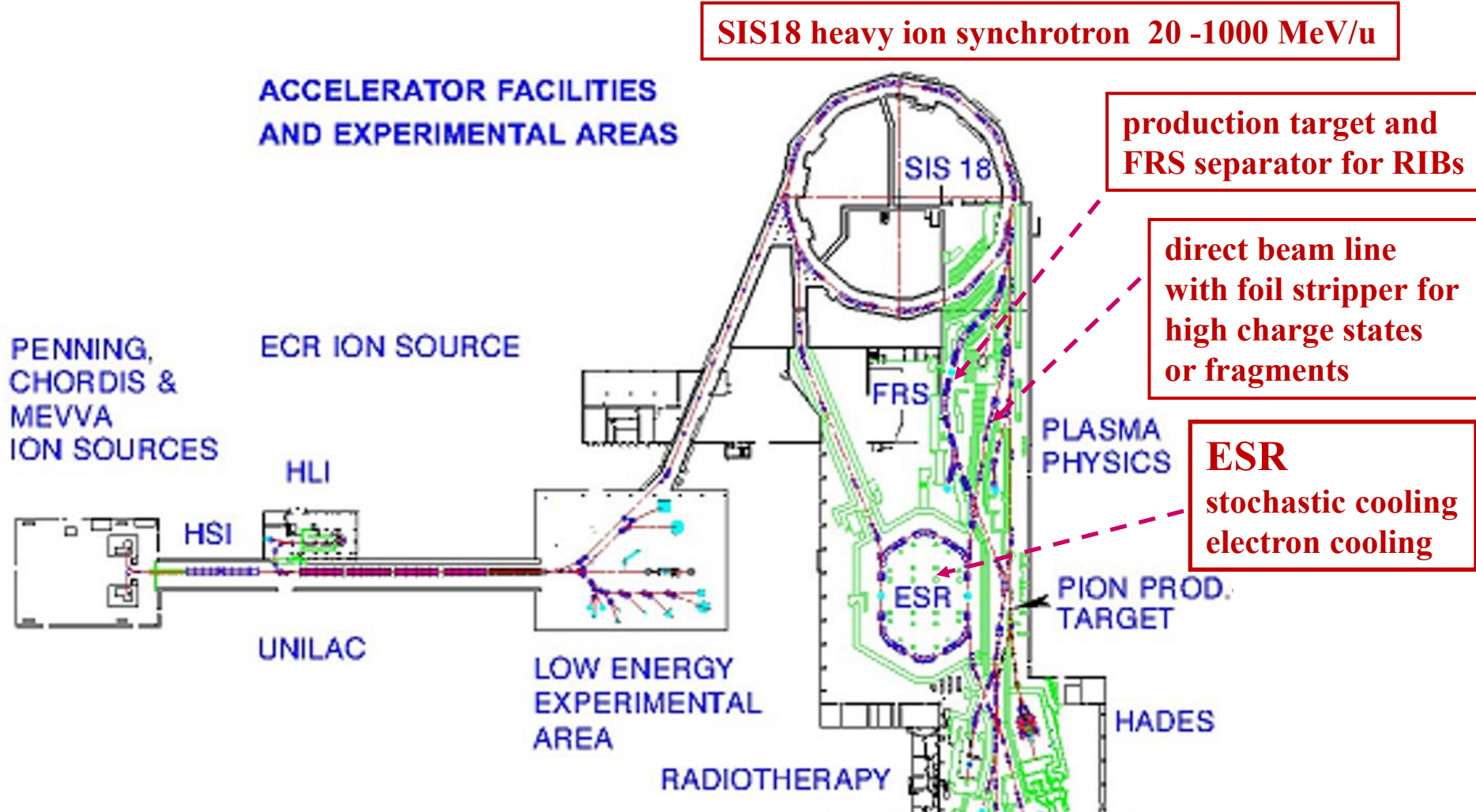


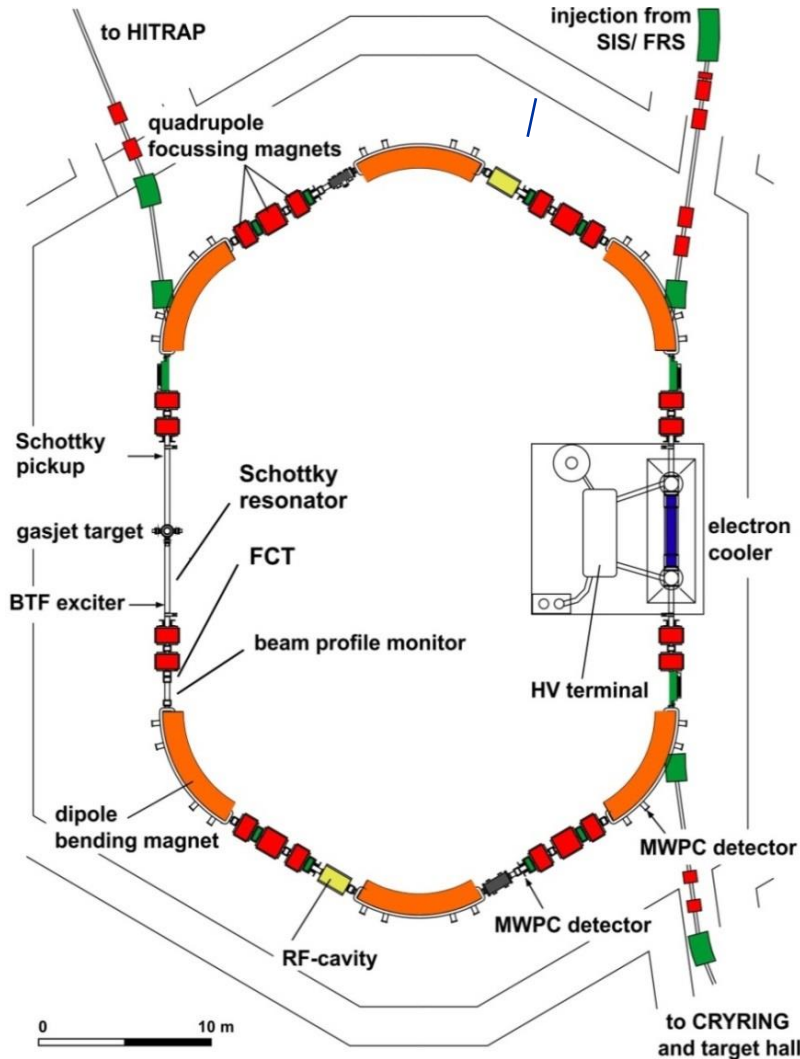


**Cooling of
Rare Isotope Beams
in the ESR Storage Ring**

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Storage Rings / GSI ACC

Injector Chain of the ESR





Fast injection (ions and TE/FRS RIBs)

Stochastic cooling (400 MeV/u)

Electron cooling (4 - 400 MeV/u)

Laser cooling (C^{3+} 120 MeV/u)

Internal gas jet target

Deceleration (down to 4 MeV/u)

Fast extraction (HITRAP/CRYRING)

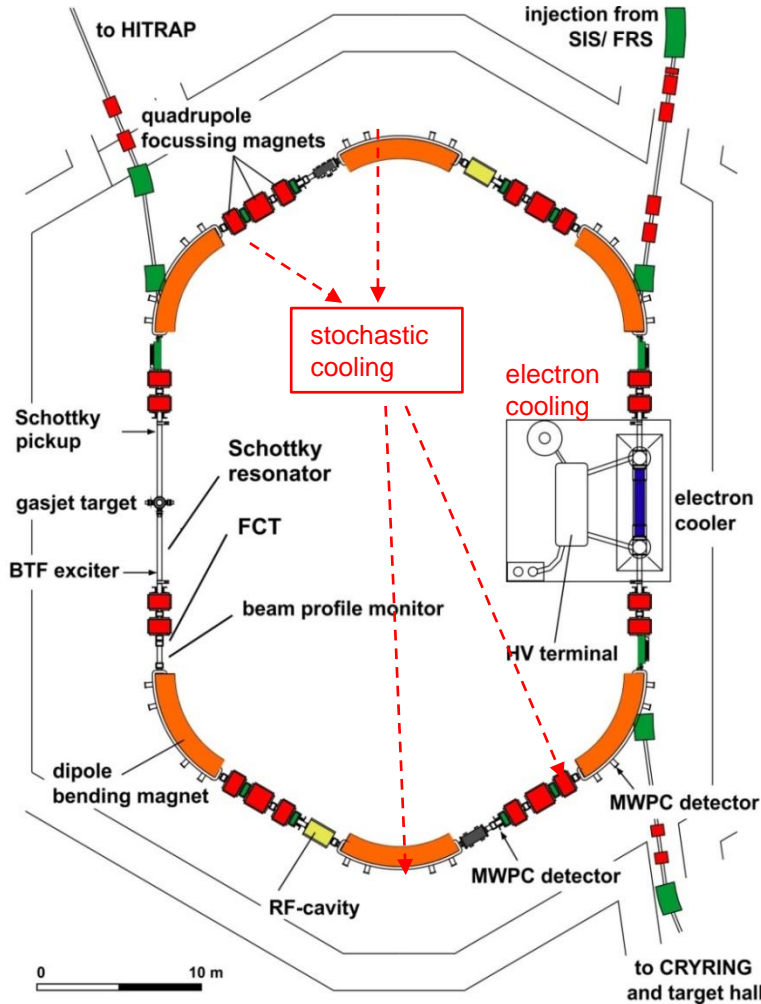
Ultralow extraction (charge change)

Beam accumulation

Isochronous mode (Schottky detector)

Schottky mass spectrometry of RIBs

Slow (resonant) extraction



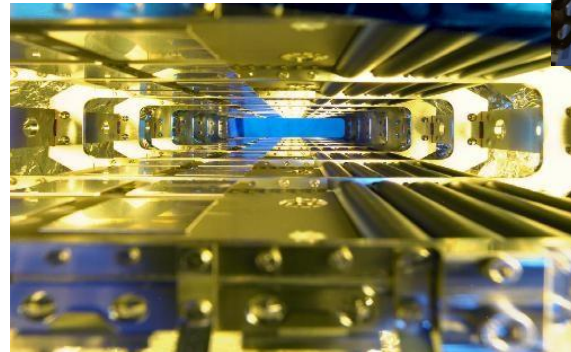
circumference 108.36 m
bending power 10 Tm



electron cooling
energy 3 - 430 MeV/u
electron current 1 mA - 1 A
magnetic field up to 0.2 T



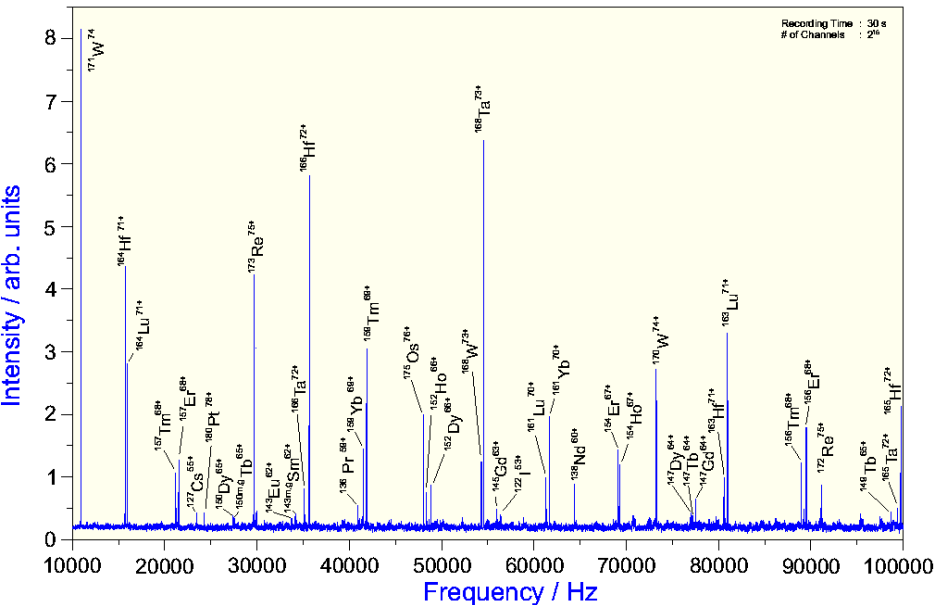
stochastic cooling
energy ≥ 400 MeV/u
cooling acceptance:
 $\delta p/p \leq \pm 0.35\%$
 $\epsilon \leq 10 \pi$ mm mrad



Injection of cocktail rare isotope beam from fragment separator FRS
 Cooling (stochastic pre-cooling + final electron cooling)
 Achieved momentum spread ($\delta p/p = 5 \times 10^{-7}$, $\delta f/f = 2 \times 10^{-7}$)

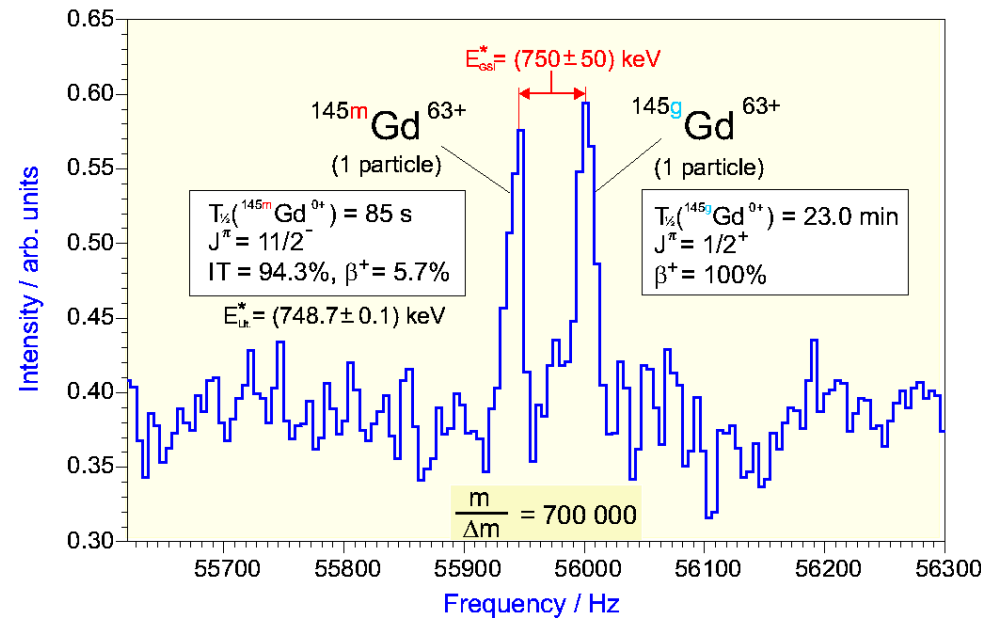
broad band spectrum

Schottky Spectrum



narrow band spectrum (zoom)

Schottky Spectra of Ground and Isomeric State of ¹⁴⁵Gd⁶³⁺



Detection of single ions !

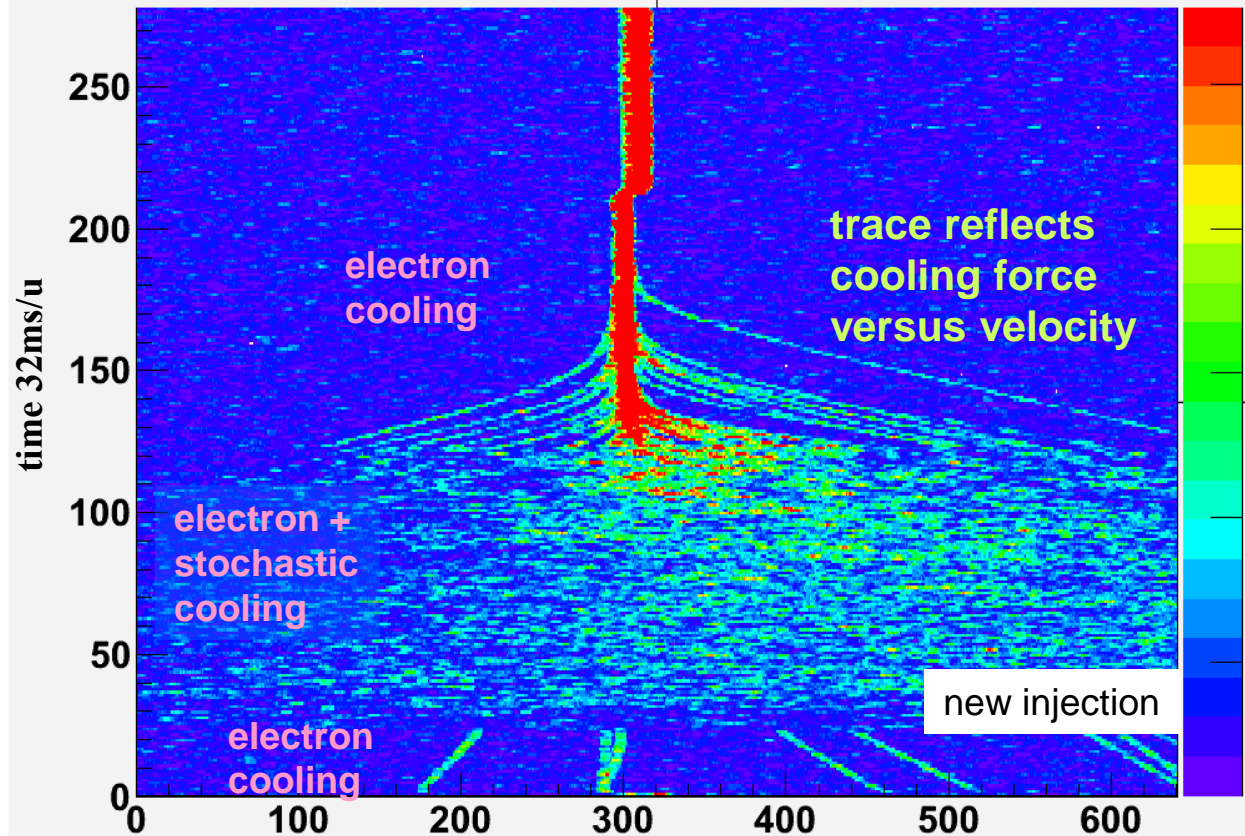
$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = -\frac{1}{\gamma_t^2} \cdot \frac{\Delta(m/q)}{m/q} + \left(1 - \frac{\gamma^2}{\gamma_t^2}\right) \frac{\Delta v}{v}$$



detection of single ions
with resonant cavity

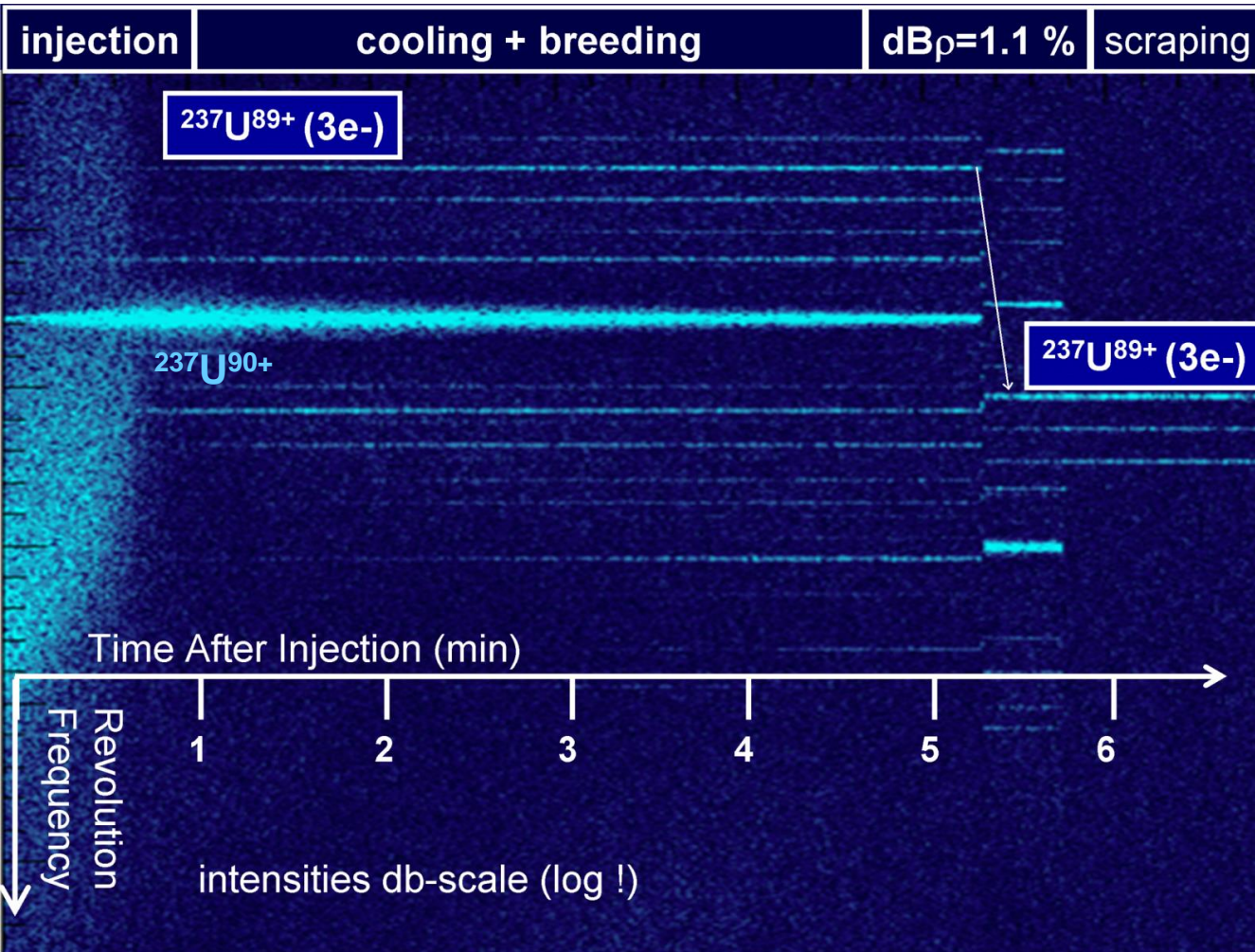
124th harmonic

combined stochastic and electron cooling of $^{142}\text{Pr}^{59+}$



typical cooling time: 3-5 seconds

isotopes are produced in a target in front of the ESR, selection is performed in the ESR

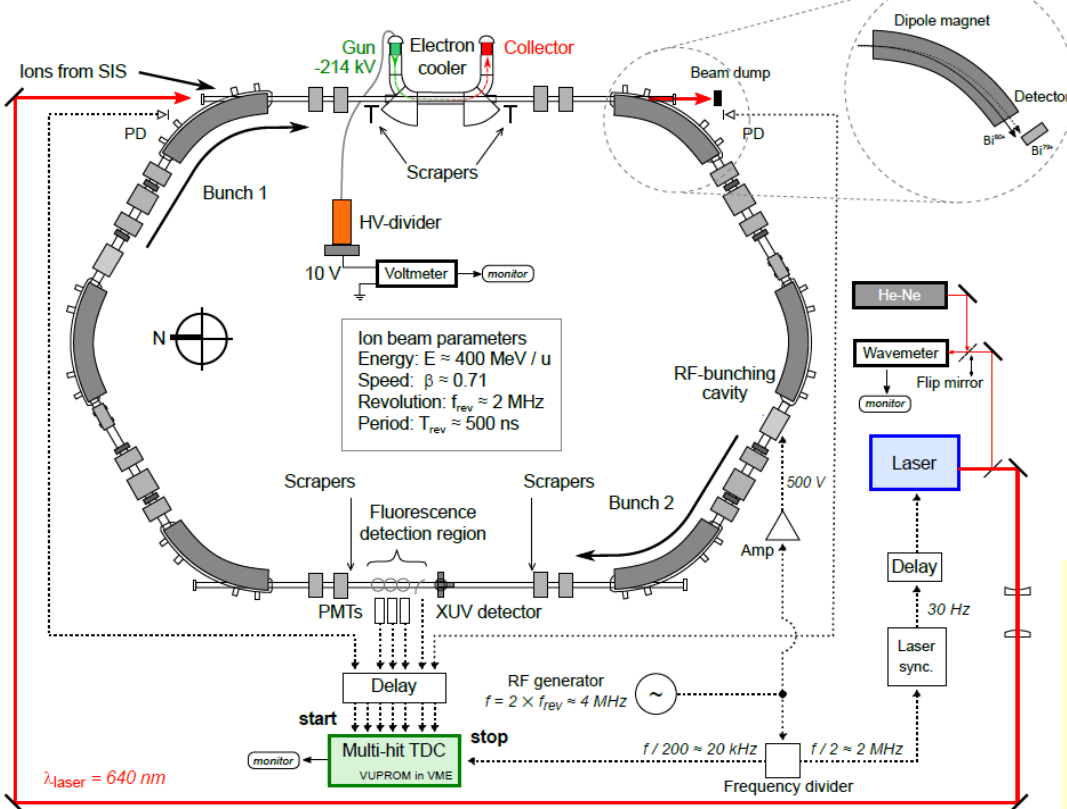


Broad isotope cocktail beam is cooled.

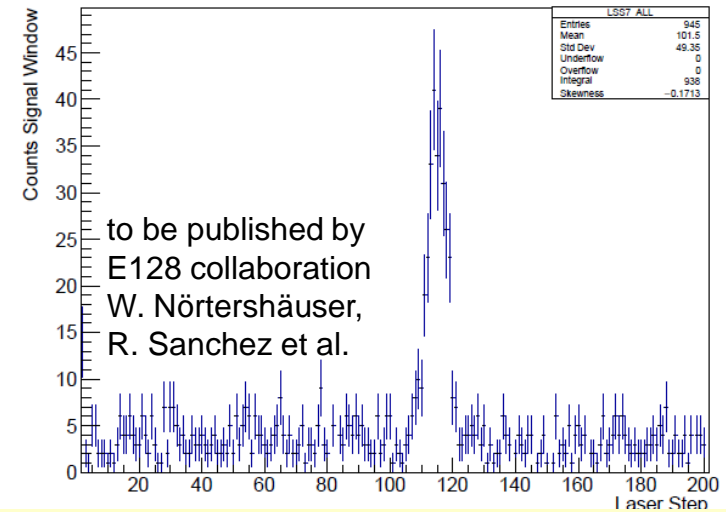
Isotopes are separated and can be removed selectively

⇒ purification resulting in a single- or few-component beam (low intensity beams after electron cooling have sub-millimeter size)

in 2022 first demonstration of first laser spectroscopy of a stored radioactive $^{208}\text{Bi}^{82+}$ beam produced from a primary ^{209}Bi beam
 typical beam intensity $1\text{-}2 \times 10^5$ $^{208}\text{Bi}^{82+}$ stored ions (single injection)
 precise determination of electron energy by high voltage divider (\Rightarrow ion beam velocity)
 overlap laser-ion beam is adjusted by scrapers



preliminary signal of hyperfine transition



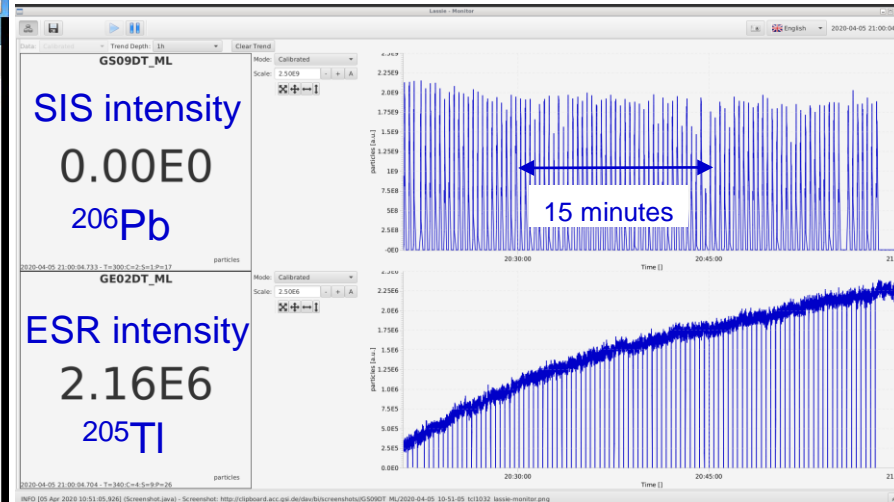
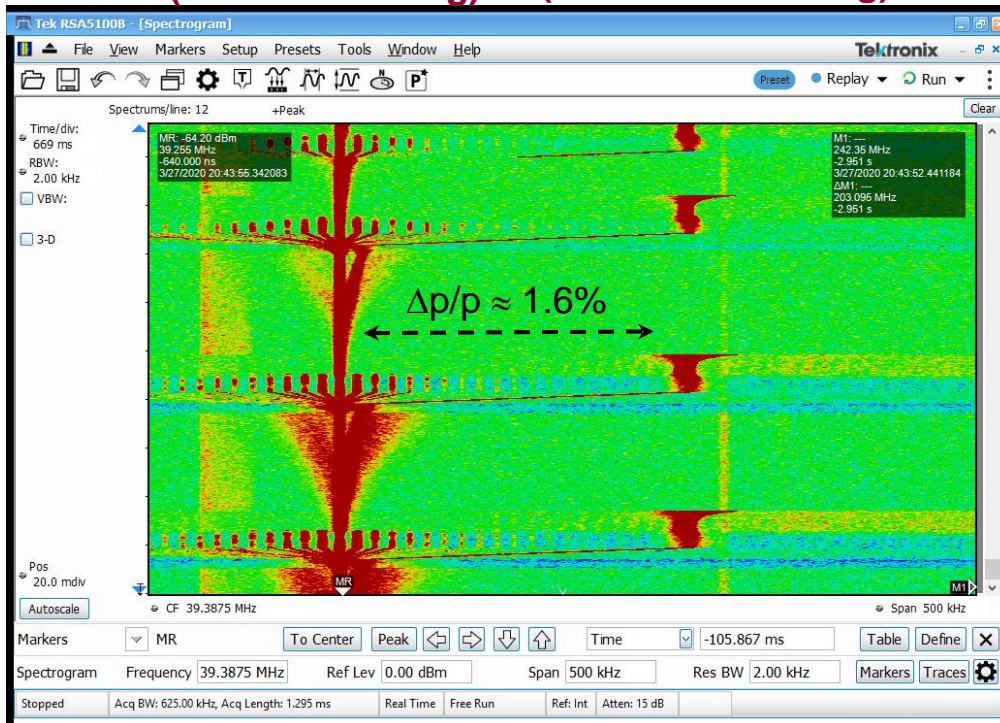
to be published by
 E128 collaboration
 W. Nörtershäuser,
 R. Sanchez et al.

proposed and accepted experiment aims at the measurement of the nuclear M1 magnetic transition in $^{209\text{m}}\text{Th}$ (nuclear clock)

for many experiments the intensity of a single injection of rare isotopes is inadequate
 ⇒ need for beam accumulation

traditional beam accumulation at 400 MeV/u requires both stochastic and electron cooling

stack orbit (electron cooling) **injection orbit (stochastic cooling)**



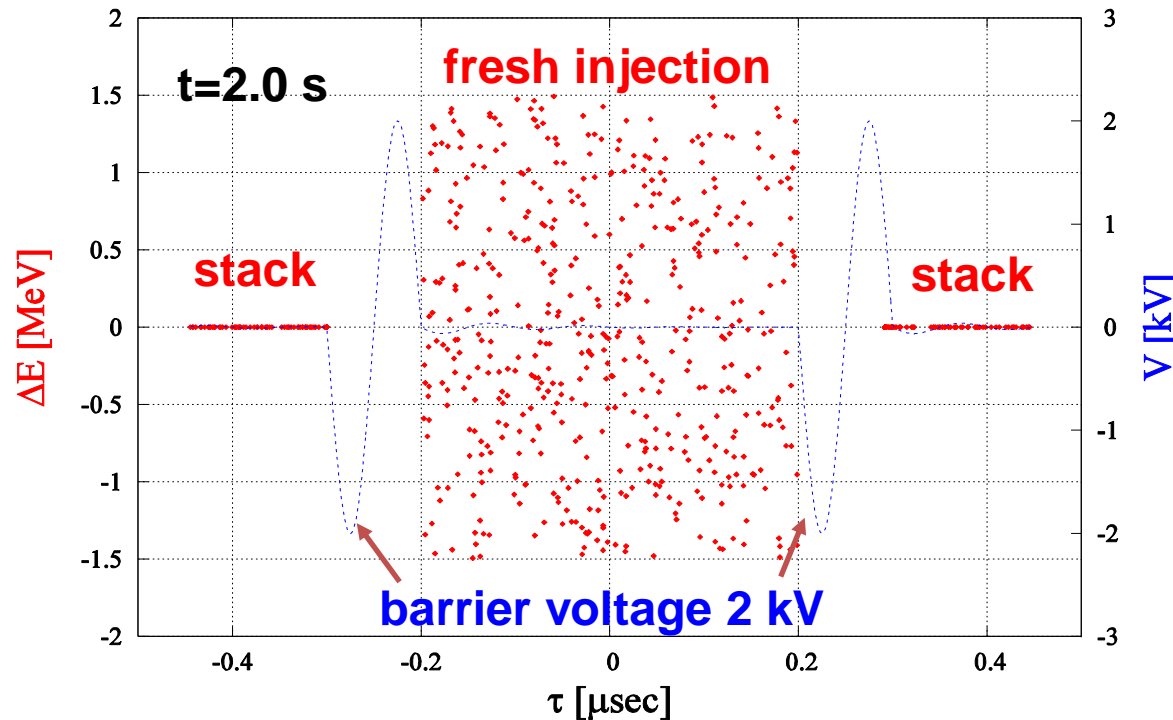
62 injections resulting in 2×10^6 ²⁰⁵Tl⁸¹⁺ ions

practical time for beam accumulation depends on the lifetime of the ion

Accumulation of Rare Isotope Beams by Barrier Buckets

originally proposed for the NESR storage ring of the FAIR project
basic idea: confine stored beam to a fraction of the circumference, inject into gap
apply strong electron cooling to merge the two beam components

⇒ fast increase of intensity (for low intensity RIBs)



$^{132}\text{Sn}^{50+}$

$E_k = 740 \text{ MeV/u}$

Longitudinal stacking
with Barrier Buckets

(simulation by T. Katayama)

revolution time $0.9 \mu\text{s}$

Proposal of Beam Accumulation (D. Möhl 2006)

A stacking scheme for the NESR using the h=1 RF (Draft 21.6.06)

(Draft 21.6.06)

Dieter Möhl

1. Introduction

We consider a scheme based on the normal $h=1$ RF-system, to stack (or top up) the RI beam in NESR. It proceeds in the following steps:

- i) The $h=1$ voltage is adiabatically raised, to concentrate the stack in an inner trajectory extending over a small fraction of the circumference (Fig. 1). The bunching is assisted by electron cooling.
- ii) A new batch is injected onto the free part of the circumference.
- iii) The RF is decreased and electron cooling reduces the energy spread and ‘merges’ batch and the stack.

In a simplified version, the $h=1$ voltage is ‘on’ continuously and the bunching and merging (step ii)) is merely done by cooling (“cooling into the bucket”)

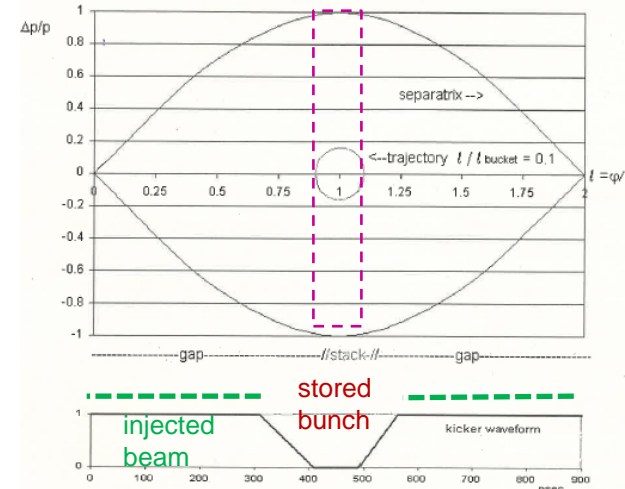


Fig. 1: Sketch of the stationary $h=1$ bucket, its inner trajectory covering 10% of the circumference containing the stack, and kicker waveform to inject the new batch at 740 MeV/u.

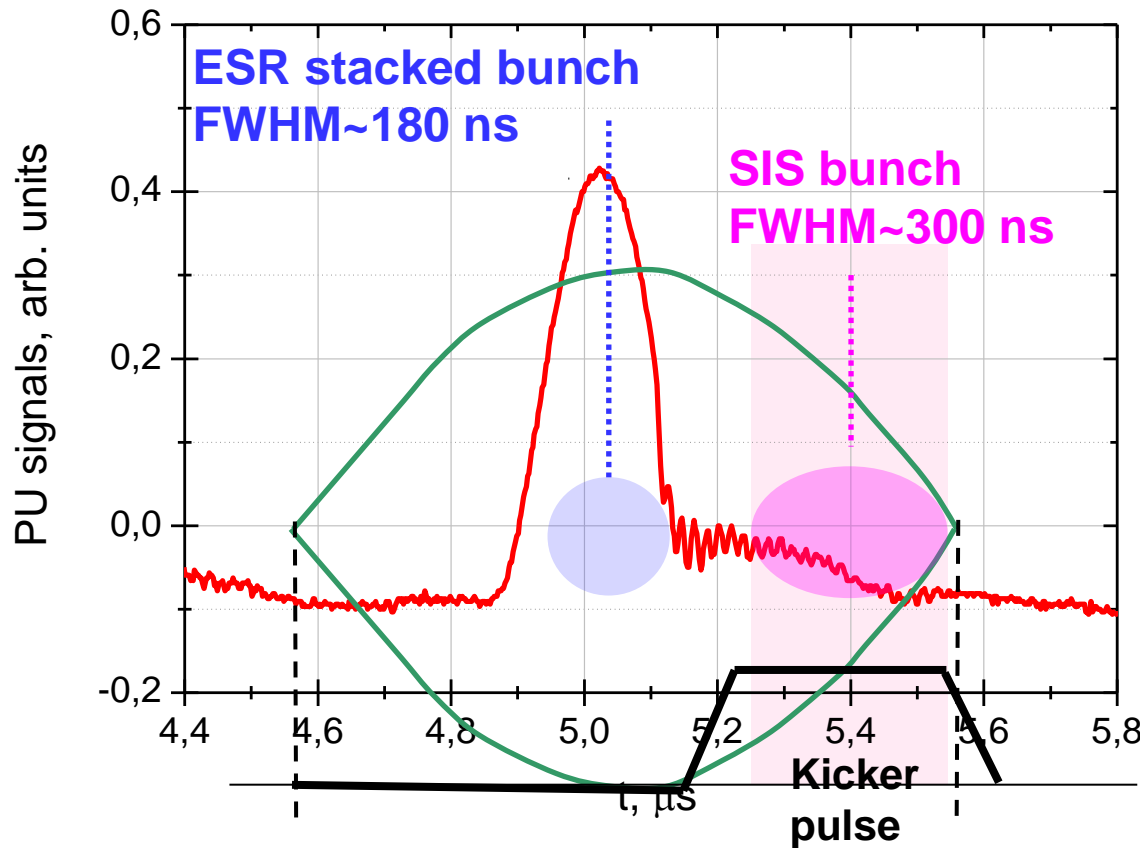
Intensities (number of U92+ ions) for a tolerable tune shift of 0.1 in a few situations are compiled in table 4. Obviously the tune shift is largest just after bunch

Energy	740 MeV/u	100 MeV/u
2σ emittance ($h=v$) at injection ($2\sigma^2/\beta_c$ (m rad))	$0.5 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.6 \cdot 10^{-6}$
U92+ space charge limit (N) (for 22 m bunch, $\Delta Q=0.1$)	$7.5 \cdot 10^8$	$1.5 \cdot 10^8$
2σ emittance ($h=v$) after cooling ($2\sigma^2/\beta_c$ (m rad))	$0.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$0.1 \cdot 10^{-6}$
U92+ space charge limit (N) (for 22 m bunch, $\Delta Q=0.1$)	$1.5 \cdot 10^8$	$0.13 \cdot 10^8$

Table 4: Transverse space charge limits at injection and after cooling to small emittance

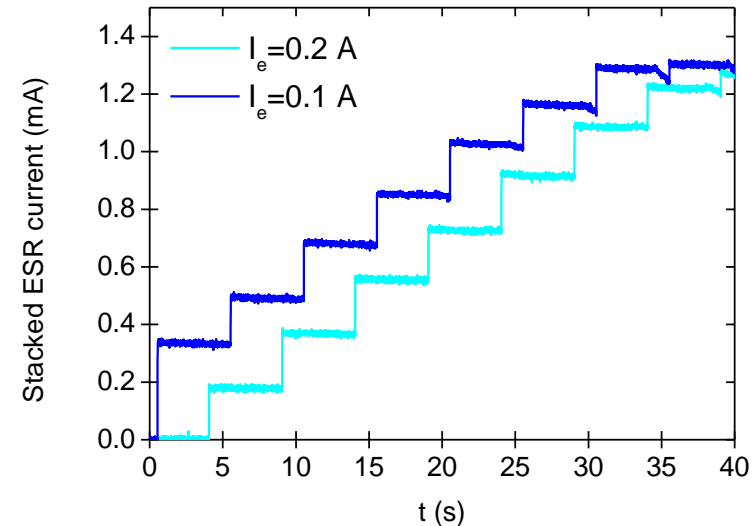
Test of Stacking with $h=1$ at Unstable Fixed Point (2012)

$^{40}\text{Ar}^{18+}$ 65 MeV/u



$U_{\text{rf}}=60$ V, $f_{\text{rf}}=1$ MHz ($h=1$), $I_e=0.5$ A

stacking cycle=5 s



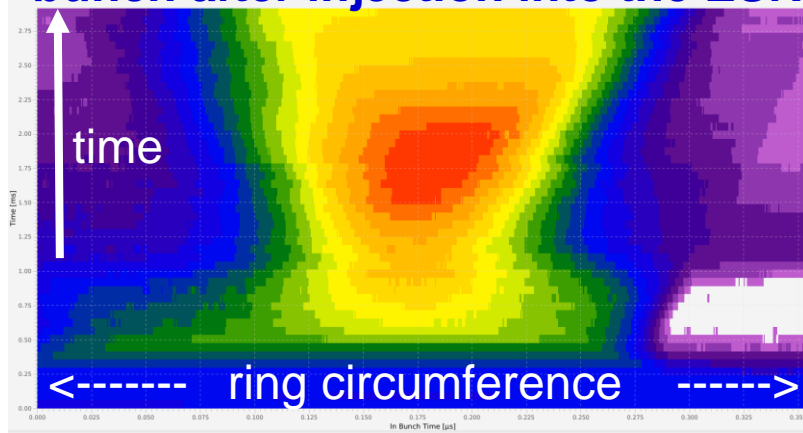
Deficiencies (2012):
 synchronization rf to kicker
 precise kicker timing
 length of SIS bunches
 short kicker pulses
 ringing (reflections) of kicker

FAIR Bunch to Bucket (B2B) Synchronization System

tested at the ESR in 2021,
now routinely operational in user beam time

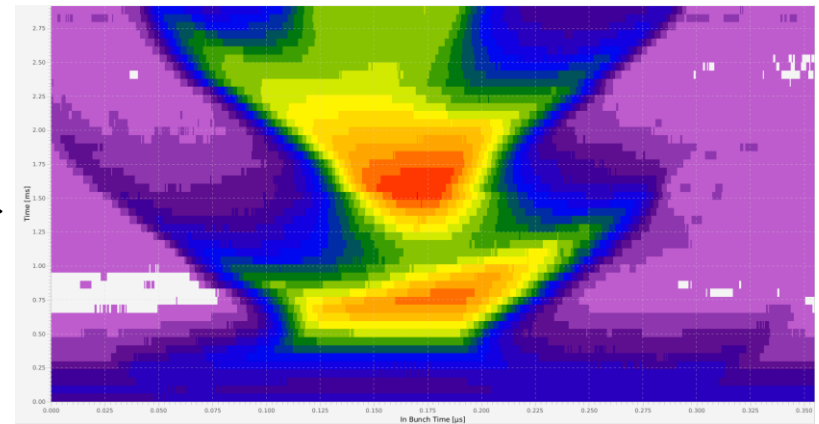
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bunch after injection into the ESR

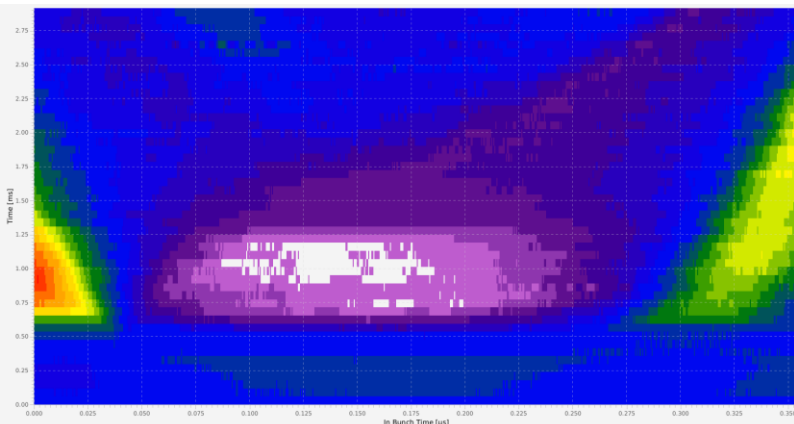


← perfect match of rf phases (SIS-ESR),
injected bunch is captured in ESR rf bucket

dipole oscillations of the bunch →



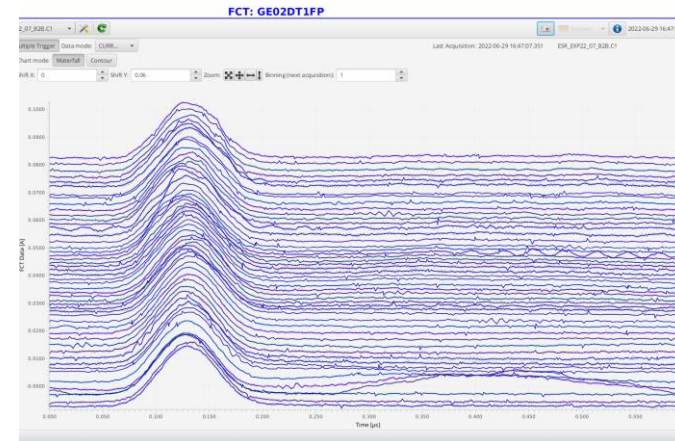
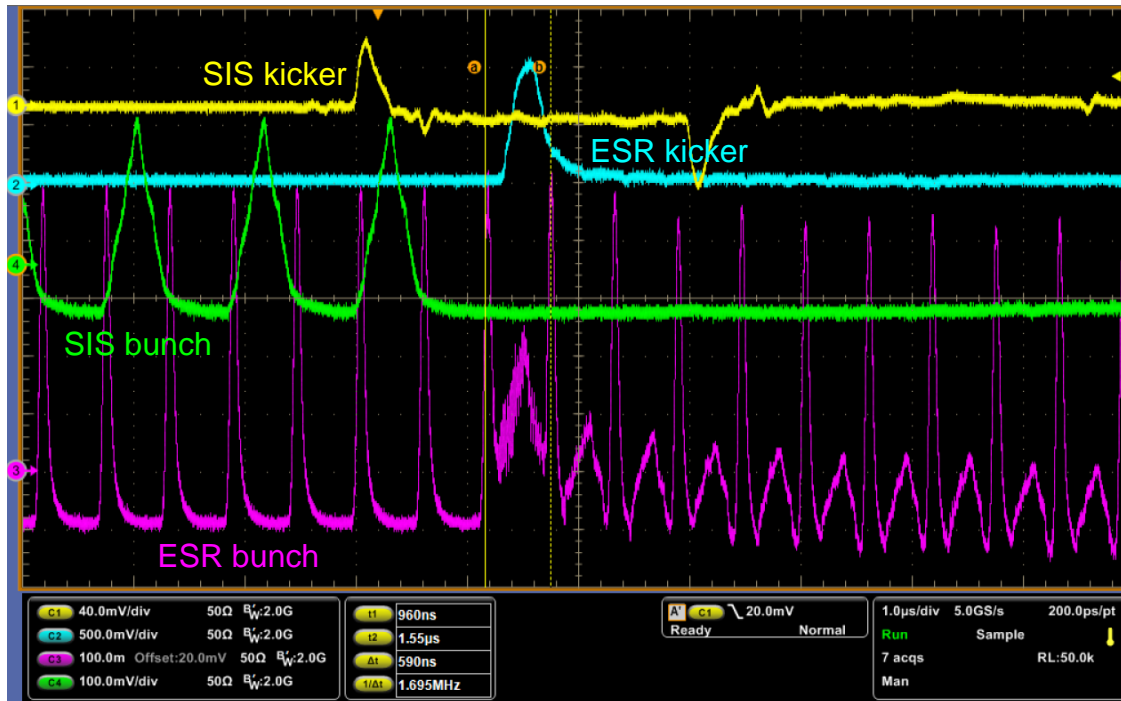
← full mismatch of rf phases



Realization of $h=1$ Beam Accumulation with New Bunch to Bucket System

$^{208}\text{Pb}^{82+}$ 270 MeV/u
 $N_{\text{max}} \sim 1.5 \times 10^8$

continuous electron cooling applied
with electron current 0.3 A



ESR bunch measured with FCT

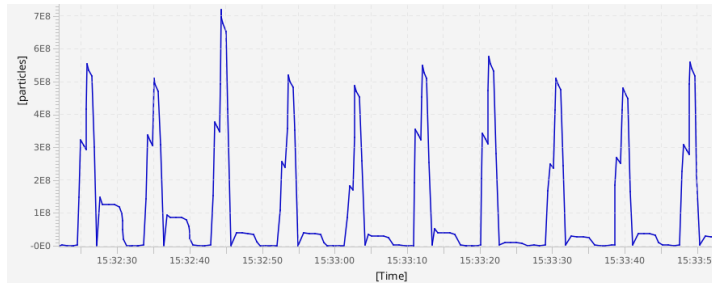
ESR kicker pulse length reduced from 560 to 200 ns
in order not to excite the circulating ESR bunch

Beam Accumulation at h=1 with New Bunch to Bucket System

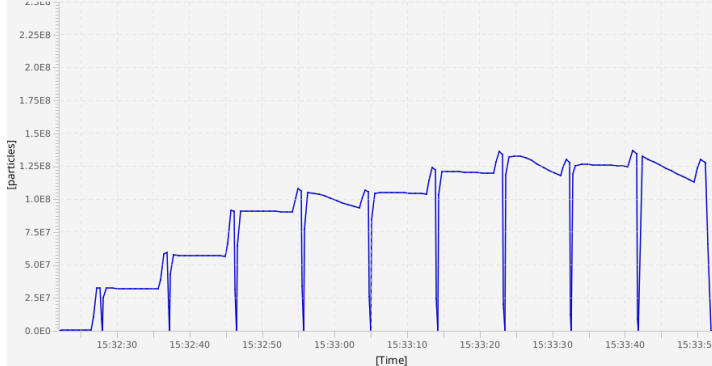
$^{208}\text{Pb}^{82+}$ 270 MeV/u

injection of single bunch from SIS onto unstable fixed point of ESR rf (h=1)

SIS cycles
2 MTI per cycle

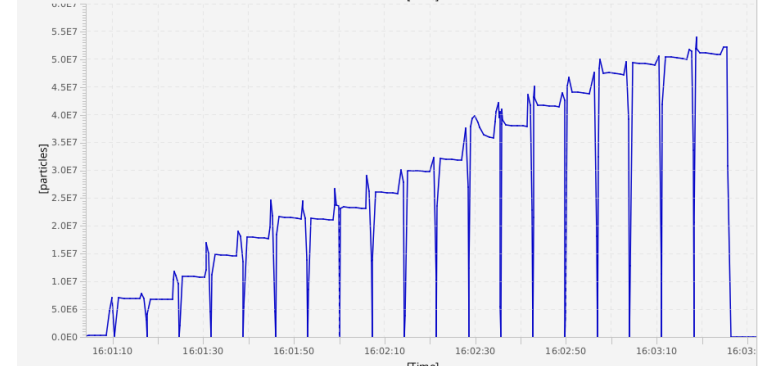
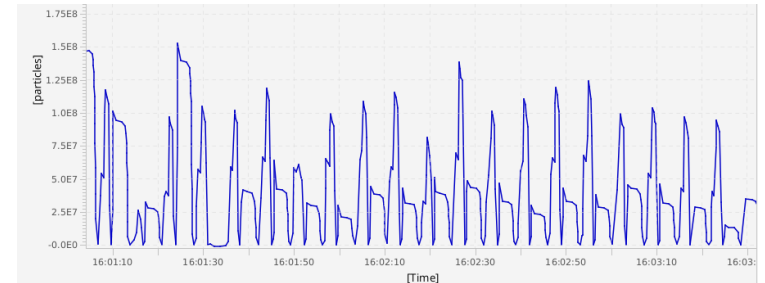


ESR stored beam



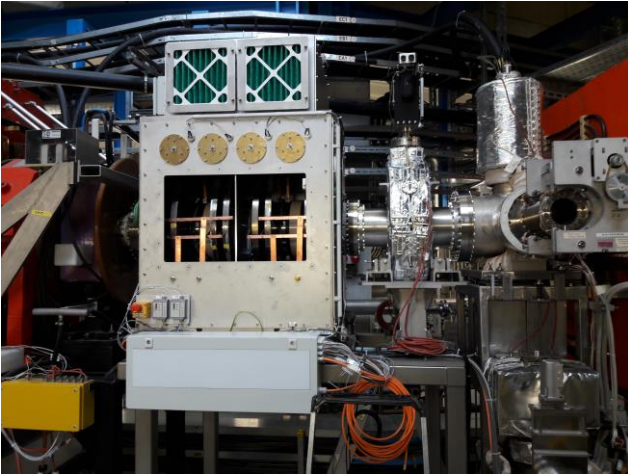
high intensity from SIS
ESR saturates around 1.3×10^8 ions
ESR peak bunch current 50 mA

particularly suited for the accumulation of secondary beams



reduced intensity from SIS \Rightarrow
efficient accumulation in ESR

**large flexibility:
only 1 cooling system is required
accumulation at any energy**



Installed in 2020, presently integrated into deceleration and fast extraction of single bunch

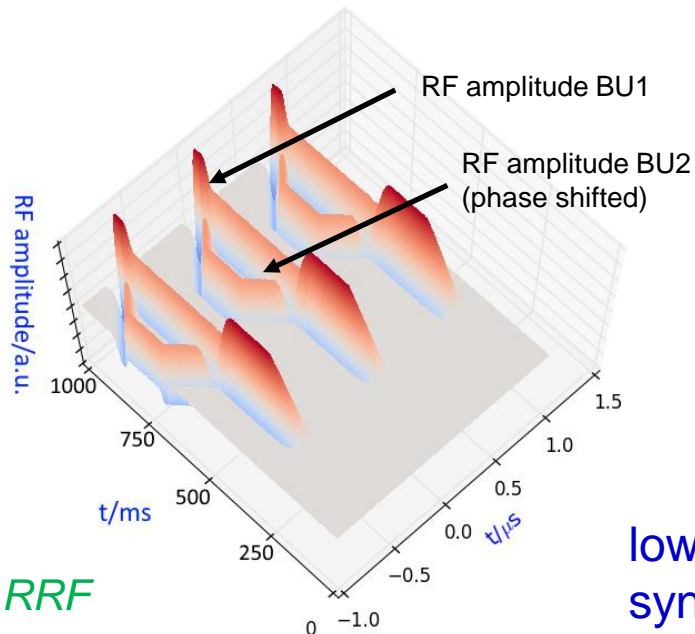
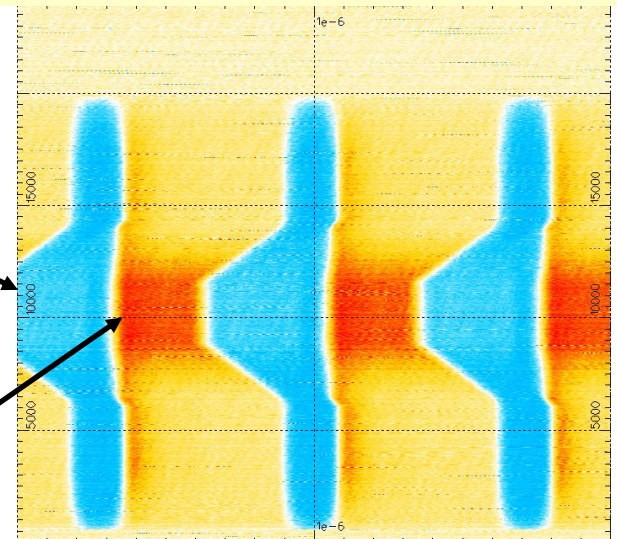
Pulse amplitude increased to 1.2 kV (2 new amplifiers)

Phase shifting works as intended

BPM signal for cooled Au⁷⁸⁺ beam at 144 MeV/u

blue:
particle-free
zone

red:
compressed
bunch



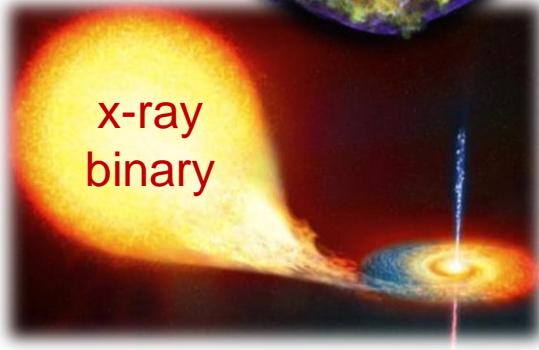
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low level rf system will be available for synchronization with SIS rf system in 2024

Decelerated Rare Isotope Beams for Nuclear Astrophysics



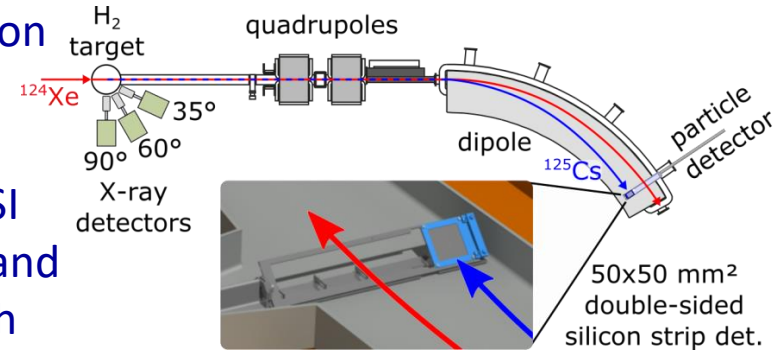
supernova
remnant



x-ray
binary

To investigate the origin of elements in stars, nuclear astrophysics aims for challenging reaction studies on rare ion beams.

Heavy ion storage rings at GSI provide unique possibilities and unrivalled conditions for such experiments.



Experimental setup of the reaction study $^{124}\text{Xe}(p,\gamma)$ in the ESR at beam energies as low as 5.5 MeV/u.

- high energy production & separation of radioactive beams in FRS
 - most efficient and versatile technique available
- deceleration to energies below 10 MeV/u
 - access to the famous Gamow window relevant for nuclear physics of stars
- cooled beam in combination with a thin gas jet target
 - inverse kinematics studies at unmatched energy resolution
- storage and recycling of the rare ion beam
 - extremely efficient technique for studies on beams of limited intensity

Jan Glorius

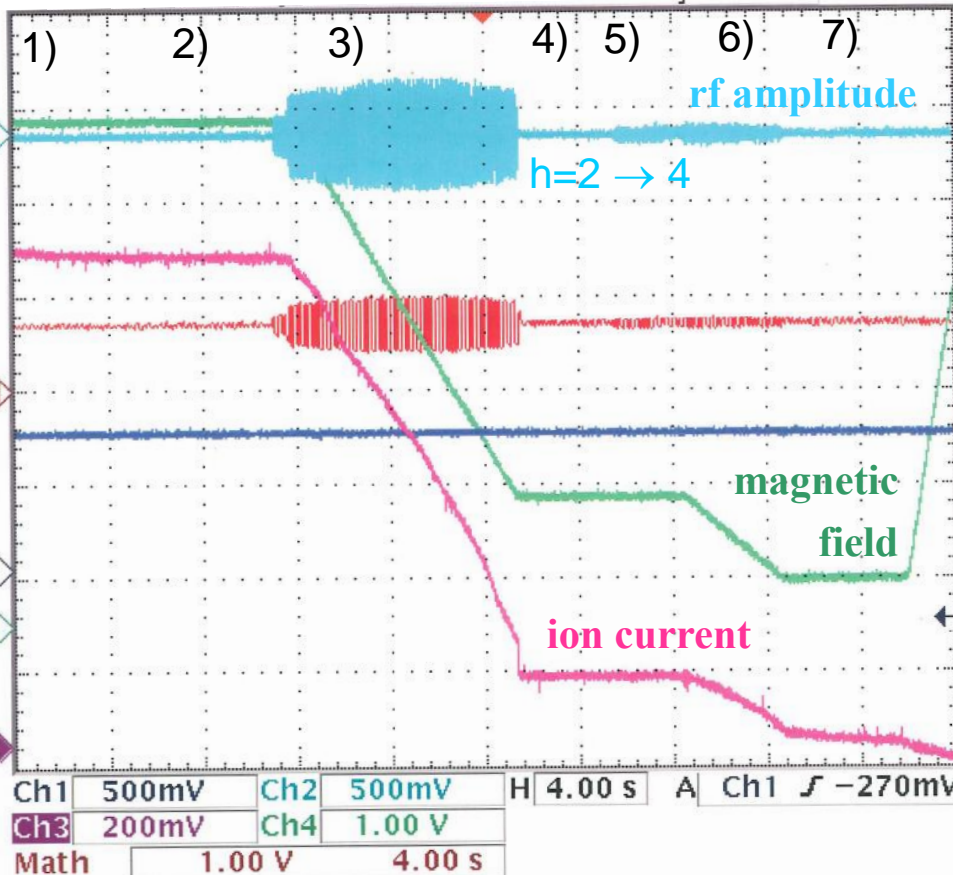
Ni^{28+} 400 → 30 → 4 MeV/u

1100 μA → 180 μA → 25 μA

45% 37%

4 MeV/u required for HITRAP linac

cycle time 45 s

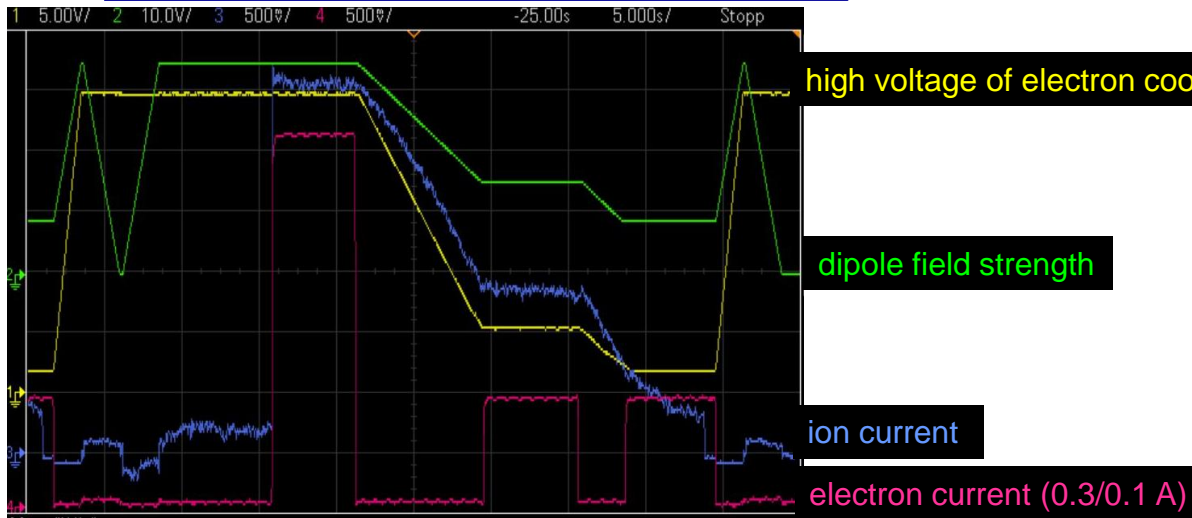


- 1) injection (at 400 MeV/u)
- 2) stochastic/electron cooling
(controlled ramp of cooler HV is difficult)
- 3) deceleration to 30 MeV/u
- 4) electron cooling
- 5) changing rf harmonic 2 → 4
- 6) deceleration to final energy
- 7) electron cooling, bunching, extraction

maximum change of p ($B\rho$): 13

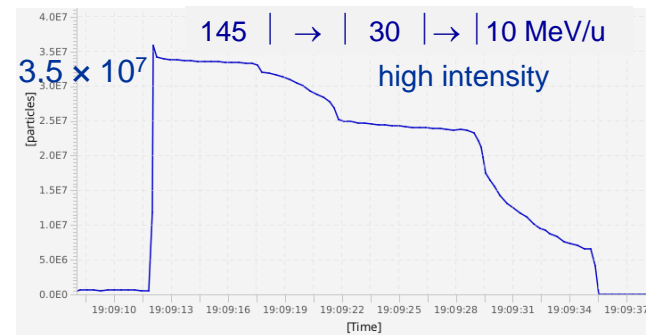
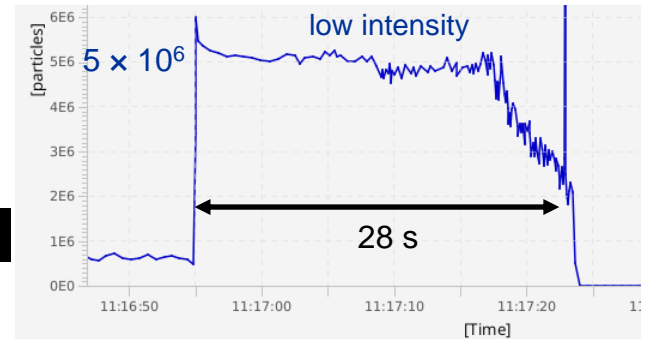
Au⁷⁸⁺: 145 → 30 → 10 MeV/u

with fast extraction for CRYRING@ESR



electron cooling is applied at all three plateaus

particle number during deceleration

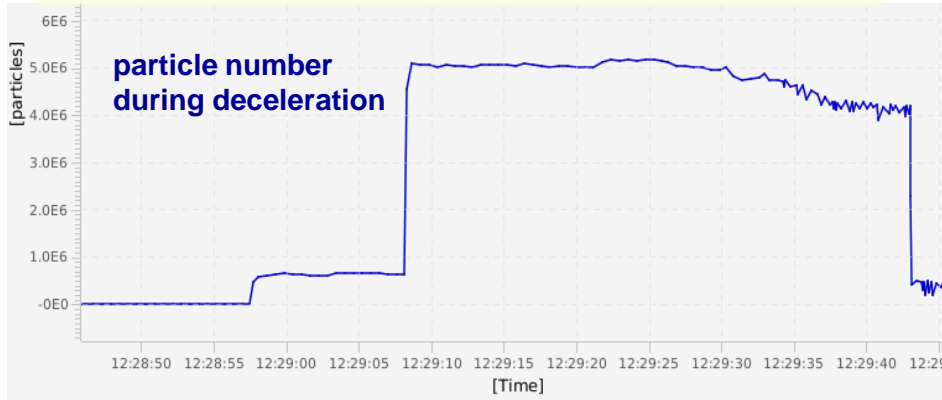


For intensity below 10^7 particle loss is less than 20 % from 145 to 10 MeV/u, but for higher initial intensity increasing relative losses were observed

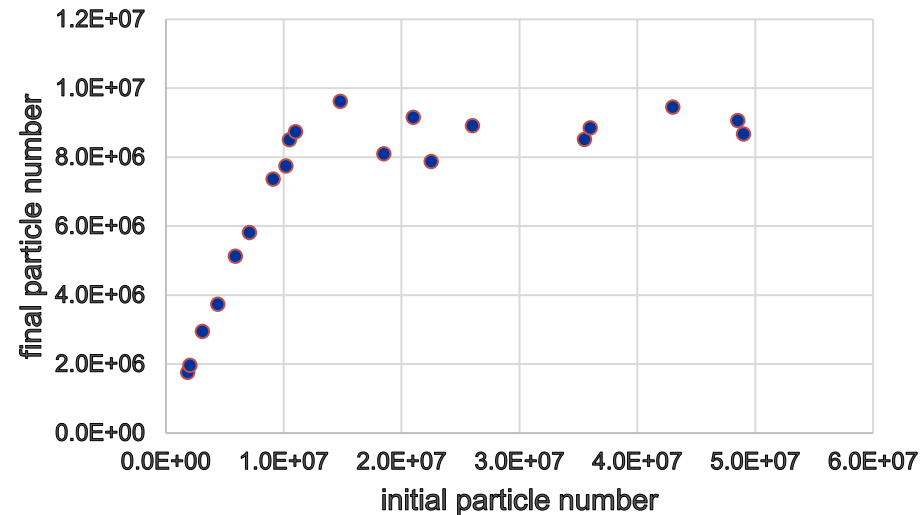
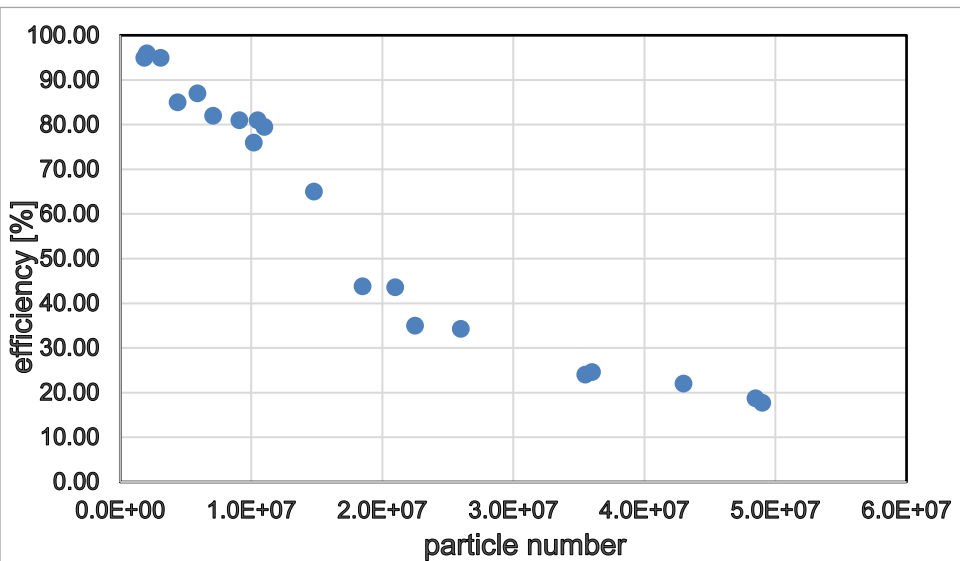
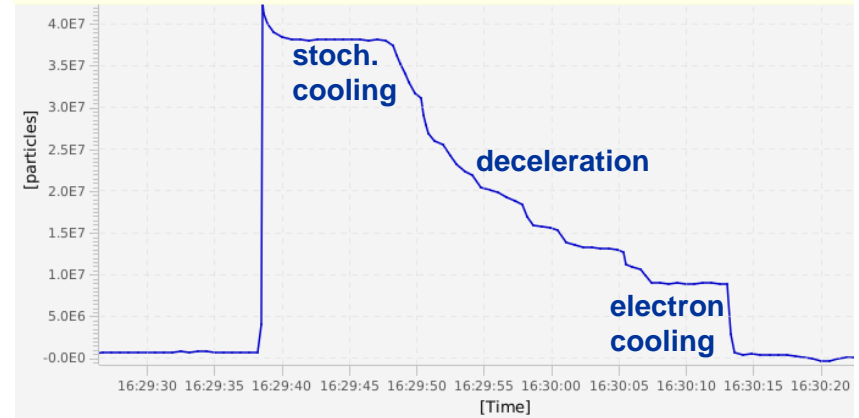
**fast losses at 10 MeV/u
beam lifetime due to vacuum**

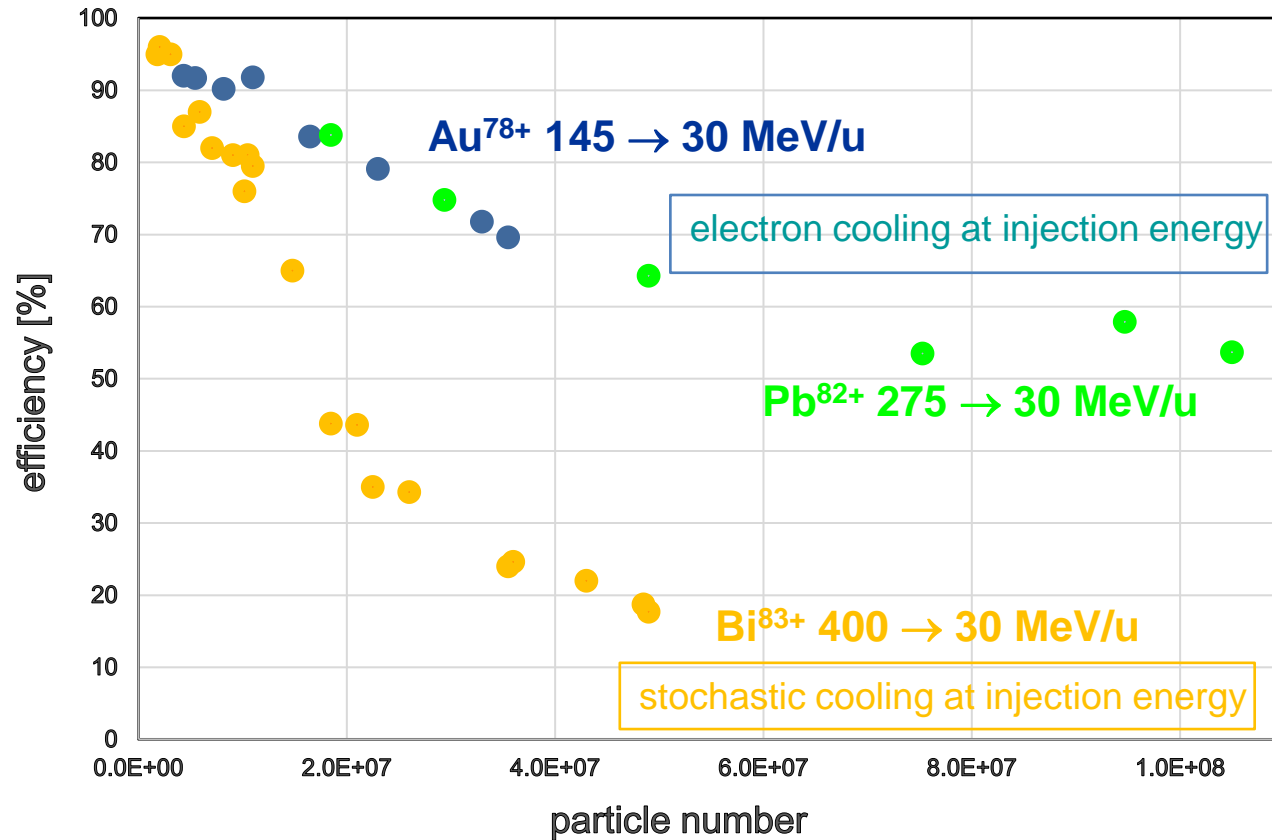
deceleration cycle Bi^{83+} from 400 to 30 MeV/u

loss-free deceleration of some 10^6 ions



increasing loss above 10^7 injected ions





the beam loss during deceleration depends on:

- the initial emittance
- the change of momentum during deceleration

Ni^{28+} 45 → 4 MeV/u

cycle with injection at lower energy to simplify deceleration cycle



dipole field strength

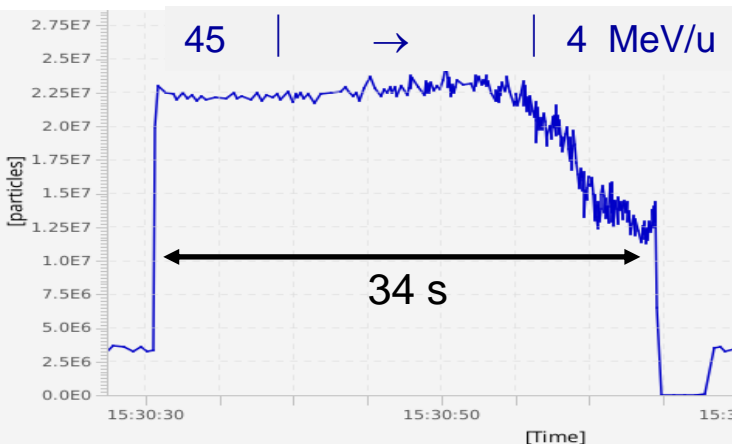
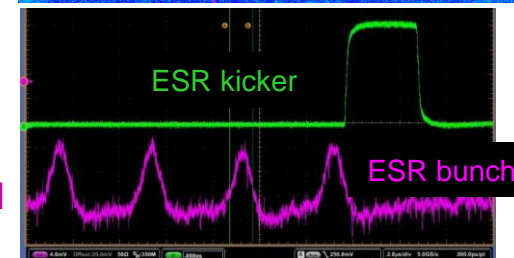
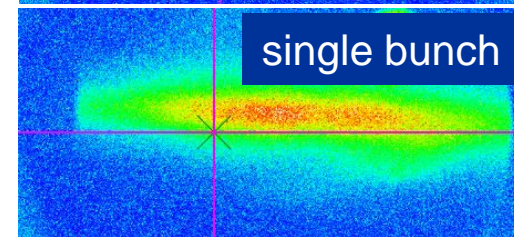
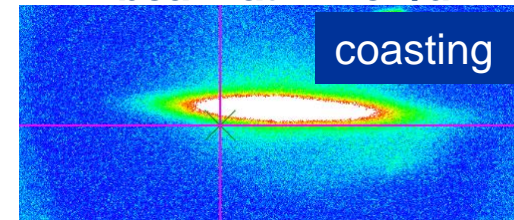
high voltage of electron cooler (electron energy)

ion current

electron current (200/40 mA)

electron cooling is applied after injection and before extraction

fast extraction of beam at 4 MeV/u

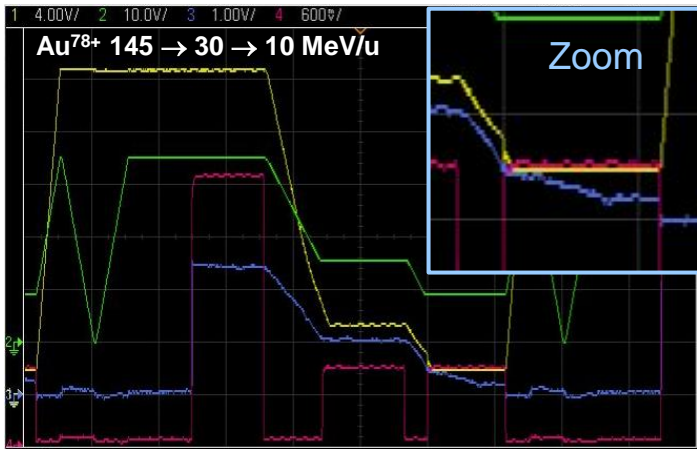


particle loss less than 20 % from 45 to 4 MeV/u

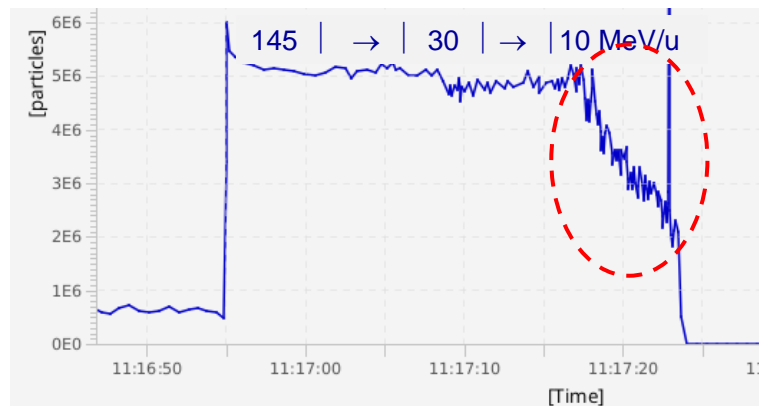
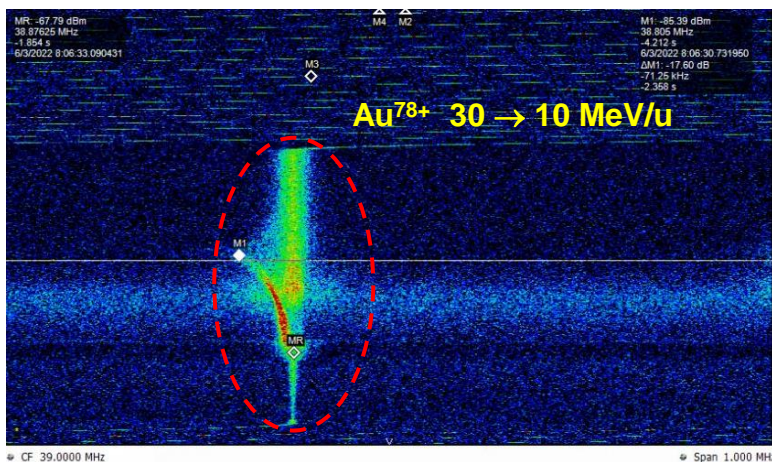
fast loss at 4 MeV/u (due to vacuum)

single bunch h=1

Slow Response of the Cooler High Voltage System after Ramping to Low Energy



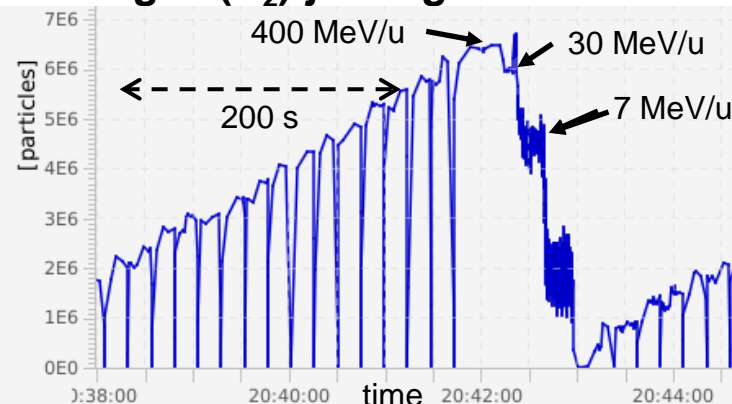
- the high voltage load results in **a time constant of ~ 10 s**, which determines the response to ramping of the high voltage
- the high voltage power supply has **an internal regulation time of about 5 s**
- both time constants affect the time required for cooling after deceleration
- beam lifetime at low energy is determined by the poor vacuum conditions of the ESR



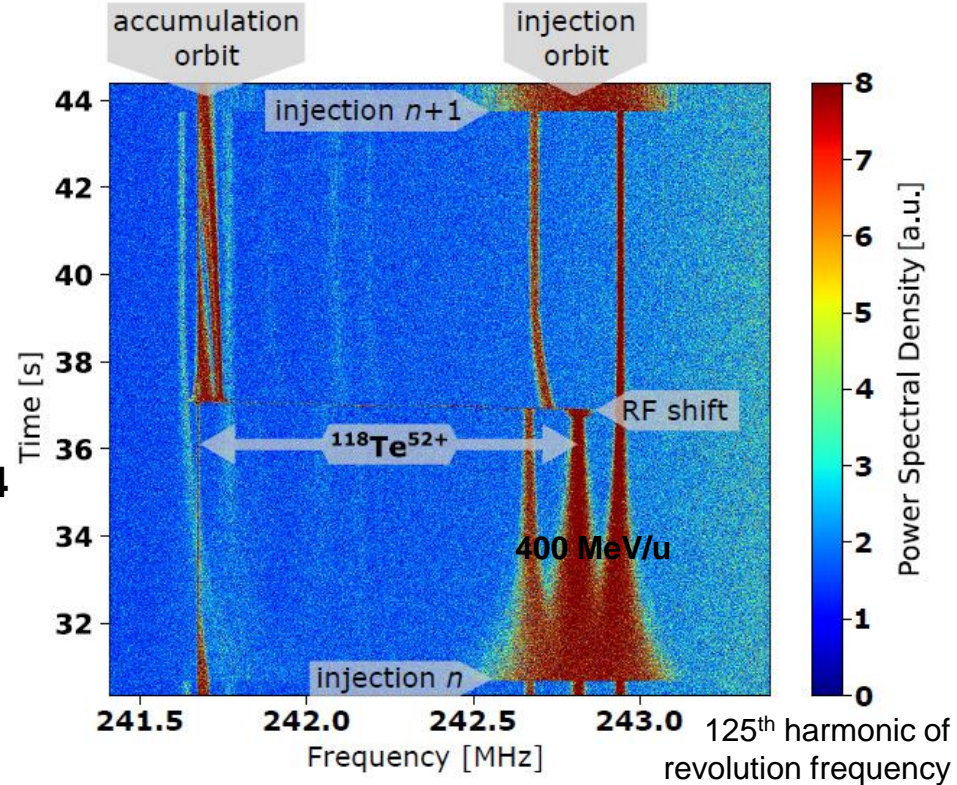
tests to reduce the delay by fast ramping of the HV or application of a special HV pattern to the drift tube are foreseen in 2024

Experimental procedure:

- 1) injection of beam at 400 MeV/u on outer ESR orbit ($\Delta p/p = +0.8\%$)
- 2) stochastic cooling on injection orbit (~ 6 s)
- 3) rf deceleration to inner orbit ($\Delta p/p = -0.8\%$)
- 4) electron cooling on inner orbit (~ 6 s)
- repetition of 1) - 4) \Rightarrow accumulation
- 5) ramping of magnetic field to center beam ($\Delta p/p = 0$)
- 6) deceleration to 30 MeV/u
- 7) electron cooling and de-/rebunching $h=2 \rightarrow 4$
- 8) deceleration to final energy (7 and 6 MeV/u)
- 9) electron cooling and operation of internal gas (H_2) jet target



longitudinal Schottky signal after injection of pre-separated beam from FRS



deceleration efficiency 400 to 7 MeV/u about 50 %

beam lifetime at 7 MeV/u: 1.5 s

with electron cooling and H_2 target

measurement of the X-ray spectrum of the decelerated ion beam interacting with the internal gas (H₂) jet target

⇒ no indication of contamination,

all X-ray line can be attributed to transitions of Te⁵²⁺

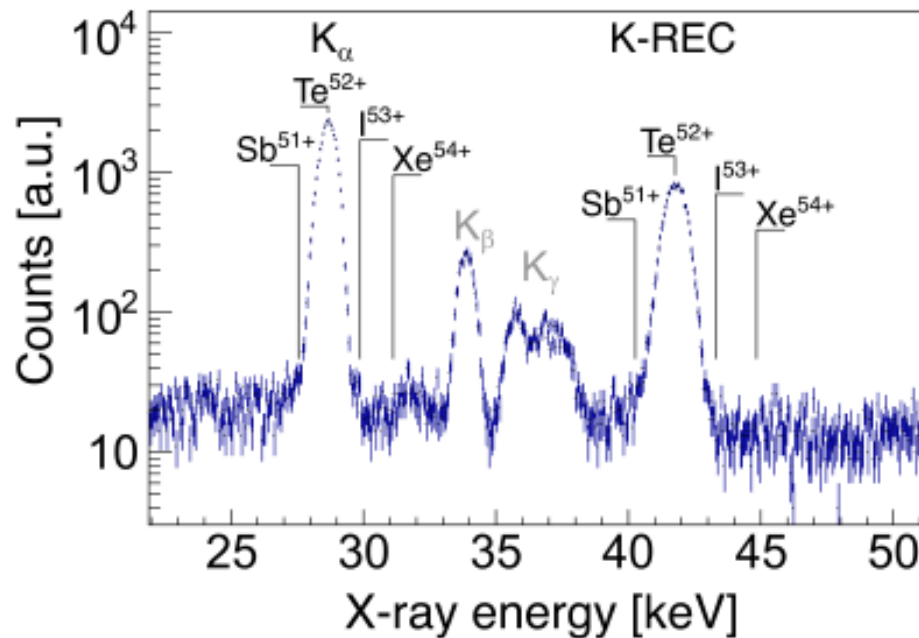


Figure 2: Energy spectrum of a germanium detector at the H₂ target under 90°, see text. All lines visible in this section can be clearly assigned to the characteristic X-ray or K-REC emission subsequent to electron capture on Te⁵²⁺ at the target.

<http://arxiv.org/abs/2305.17142>

Future Scenario with Rare Isotope Beams prepared in the ESR

experiments with stored highly charges RIBs at higher energy will be continued

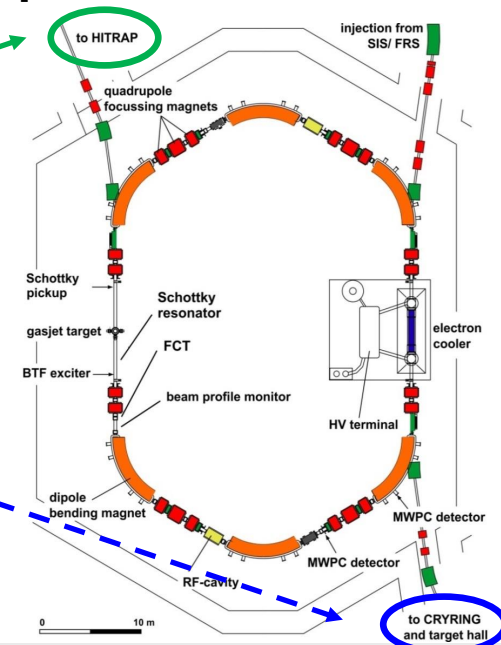
- mass spectrometry of rare isotopes
- precision spectroscopy of rare isotopes

further optimization of deceleration of rare isotopes will allow

- experiments with increased intensities of stored rare isotopes
- delivery of 4 MeV/u RI beam for further deceleration in the **HITRAP** linac and final capture in a trap
- delivery of low energy rare RI beam to **CRYRING@ESR** for further deceleration

Beam cooling is indispensable

in all experiments with rare isotope beams



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