

INTC-P-702: Studying N=28 with argon isotopes

CRIS collaboration meeting 2025

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Status

- Defended to INTC in May 2024.
<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2894938/files/INTC-P-702.pdf>
- 21 total shifts approved (3 stable beam setup, 18 radioactive)
- Requested for scheduling April/May 2025

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Proposal to the ISOLDE and Neutron Time-of-Flight Committee

Study of the $N = 28$ shell closure in the argon isotopes

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Status

	Sc 43 3.891 h	Sc 44 4.0420 h	Sc 45 100.	Sc 46 83.80 d	Sc 47 3.3492 d	Sc 48 43.67 h	Sc 49 57.18 m	Sc 50 102.5 s	Sc 51 12.4 s	Sc 52 8.2 s	Sc 53 2.4 s	Sc 54 526 ms	Sc 55 96 ms
20	Ca 42 0.647	Ca 43 0.135	Ca 44 2.09	Ca 45 162.61 d	Ca 46 0.004	Ca 47 4.536 d	Ca 48 0.187	Ca 49 8.718 m	Ca 50 13.9 s	Ca 51 10.0 s	Ca 52 4.6 s	Ca 53 461 ms	Ca 54 90 ms
	K 41 6.7302	K 42 12.355 h	K 43 22.3 h	K 44 22.13 m	K 45 17.8 m	K 46 105 s	K 47 17.50 s	K 48 6.8 s	K 49 1.26 s	K 50 472 ms	K 51 385 ms	K 52 110 ms	K 53 30 ms
18	Ar 40 99.6035	Ar 41 109.61 m	Ar 42 32.9 y	Ar 43 5.37 m	Ar 44 11.87 m	Ar 45 21.48 s	Ar 46 8.4 s	Ar 47 1.23 s	Ar 48 415 ms	Ar 49 236 ms	Ar 50 106 ms	Ar 51	Ar 52
	Cl 39 56.2 m	Cl 40 1.35 m	Cl 41 38.4 s	Cl 42 6.8 s	Cl 43 3.13 s	Cl 44 560 ms	Cl 45 413 ms	Cl 46 232 ms	Cl 47 101 ms	Cl 48	Cl 49	Cl 50	Cl 51
16	S 38 170.3 m	S 39 11.5 s	S 40 8.8 s	S 41 1.99 s	S 42 1.016 s	S 43 265 ms	S 44 100 ms	S 45 68 ms	S 46 50 ms	S 47	S 48	S 49 < 200n 1.0	34
	P 37 2.31 s	P 38 640 ms	P 39 282 ms	P 40 150 ms	P 41 101 ms	P 42 48.5 ms	P 43 35.8 ms	P 44 18.5 ms	P 45	P 46	P 47		
14	Si 36 450 ms	Si 37 90 ms	Si 38	Si 39 47.5 ms	Si 40 33.0 ms	Si 41 20.0 ms	Si 42 12.5 ms	Si 43	Si 44	Si 45	32		
	22	24	26	28	30								

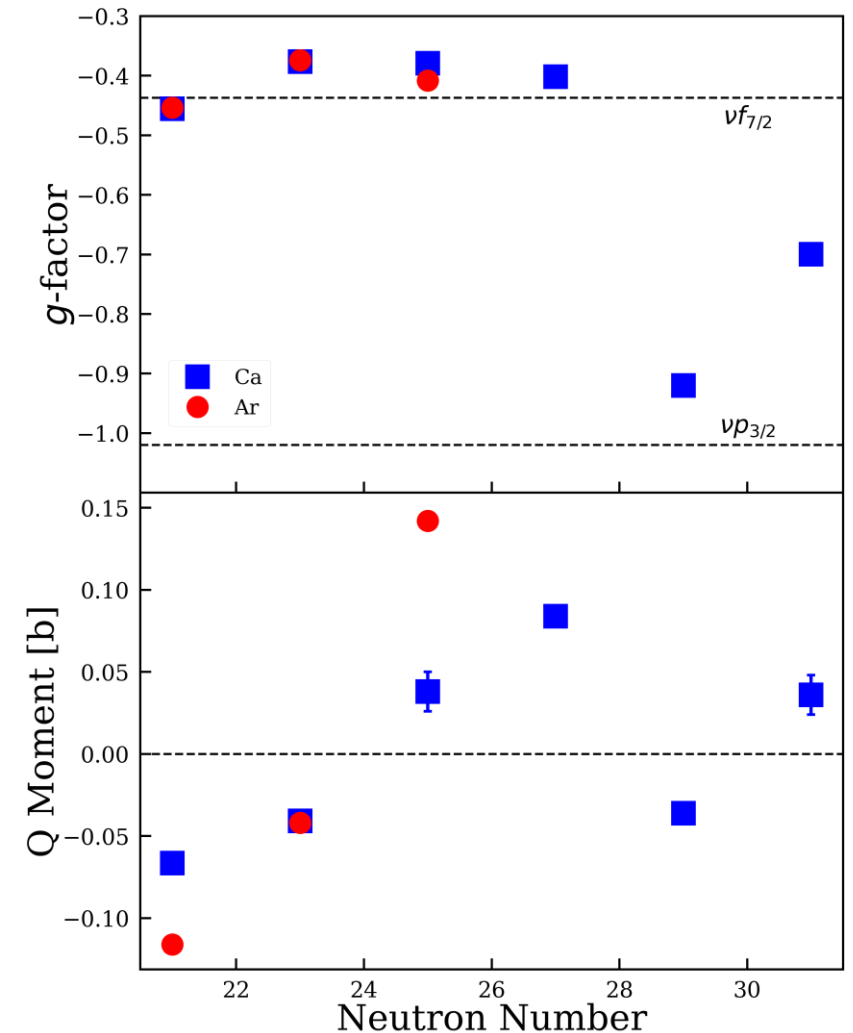
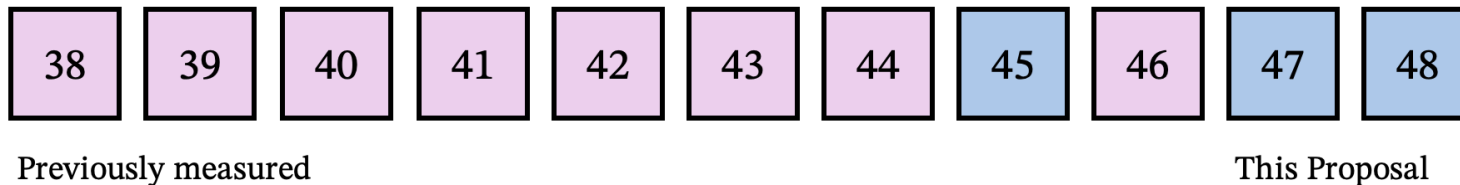
This proposal Published laser spectroscopy

Persistence of N=28 shell closure below 48Ca

- Complete disappearance in 42Si
- Signatures of shape coexistence in 44S
- Study onset of collectivity

Physics goals

- Crossing $N=28$, want to complete the picture with complete moments
- Determine strength of closure in Ar
- Experimental g -factors and q moments for Ar follow the same trend as Ca
- Moments of $^{45,47}\text{Ar}$ will be sensitive to the presence of mixed configurations

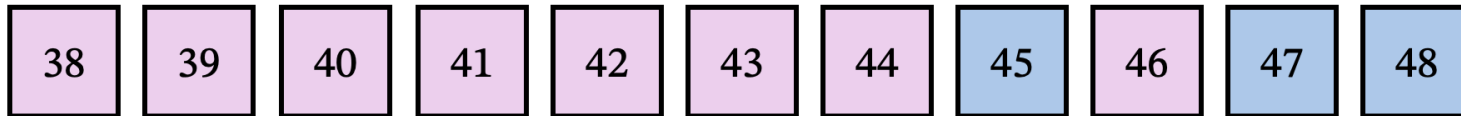


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- Predicted bubble nuclei for ^{46}Ar

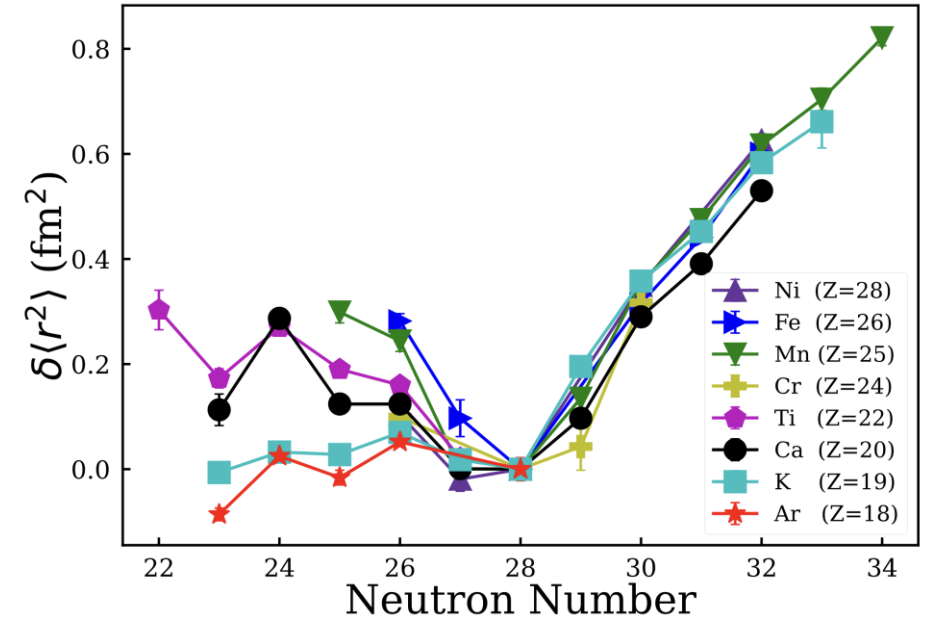
$5/2^-$,
 $7/2^-$

$(3/2)^-$



Previously measured

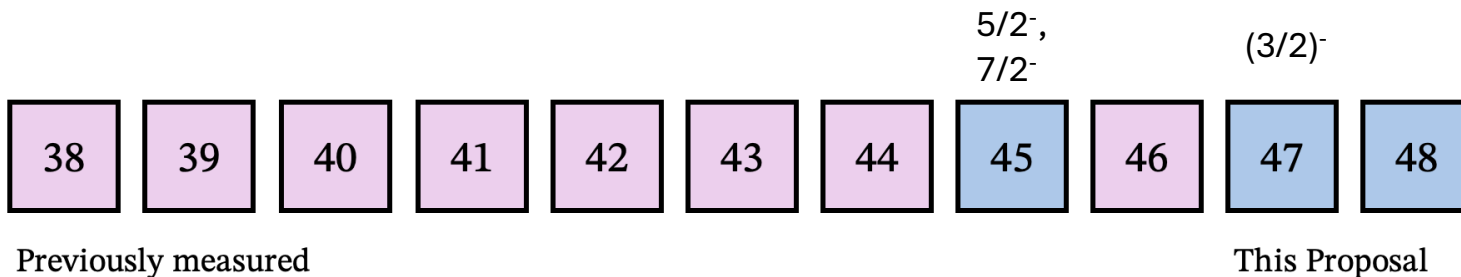
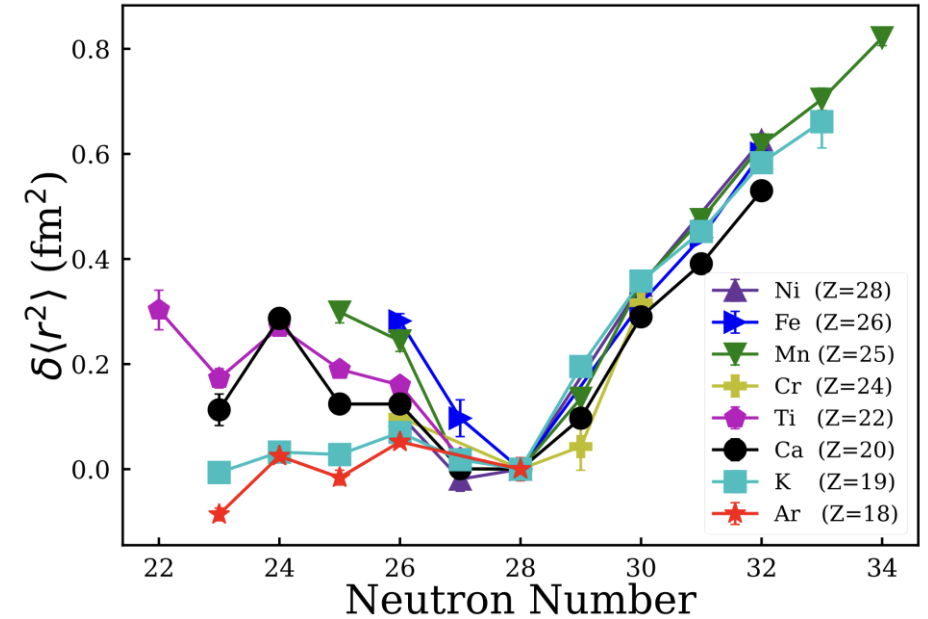
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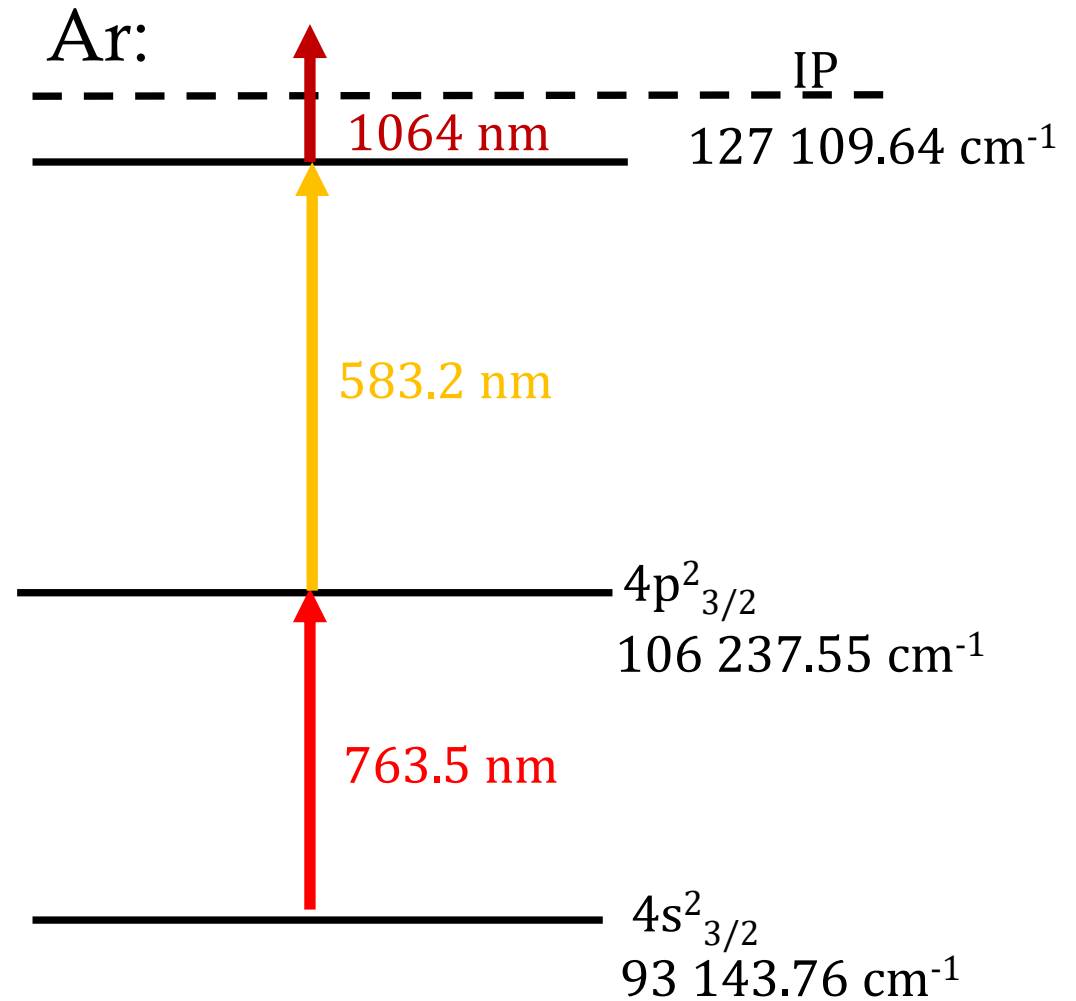
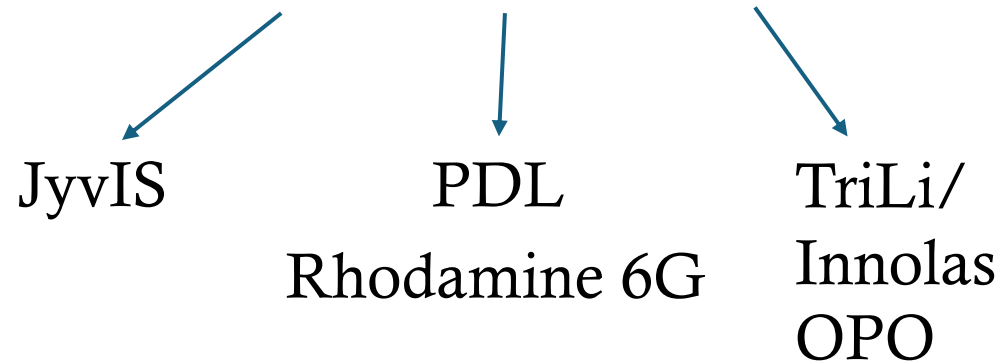


Side quest: Kr and Xe from same target / ion source

Laser Schemes

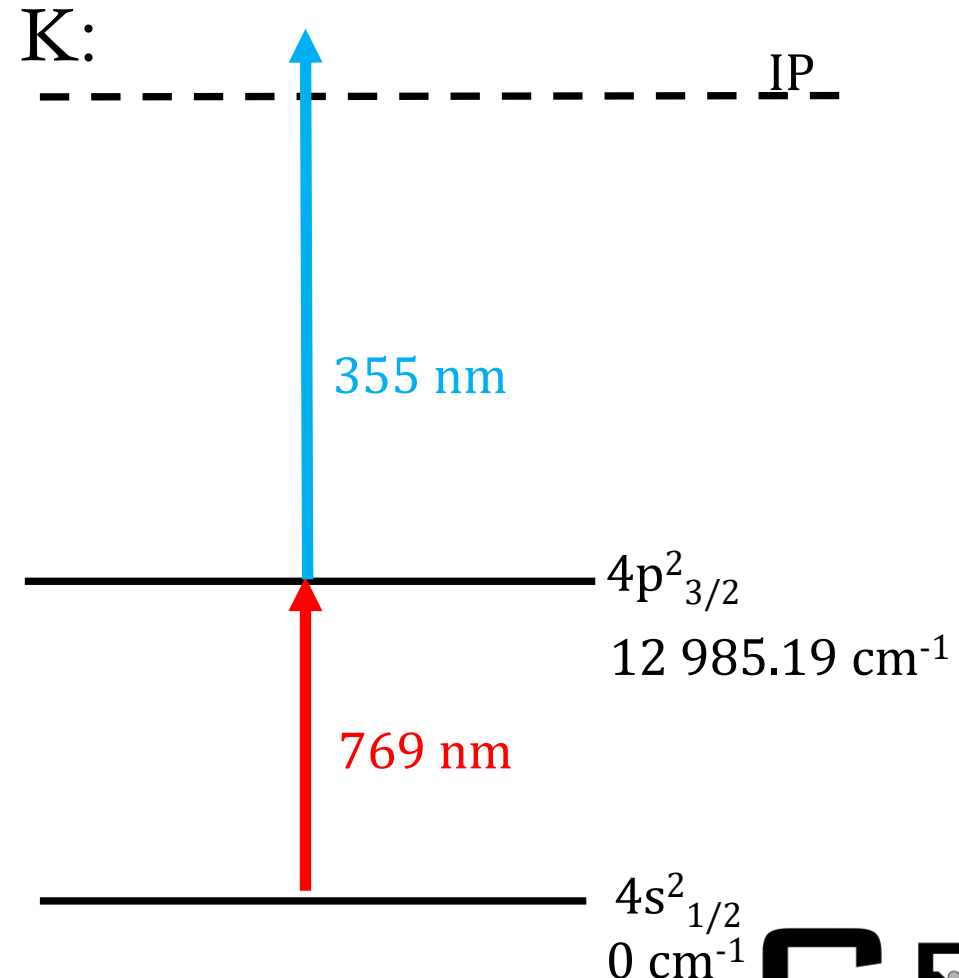
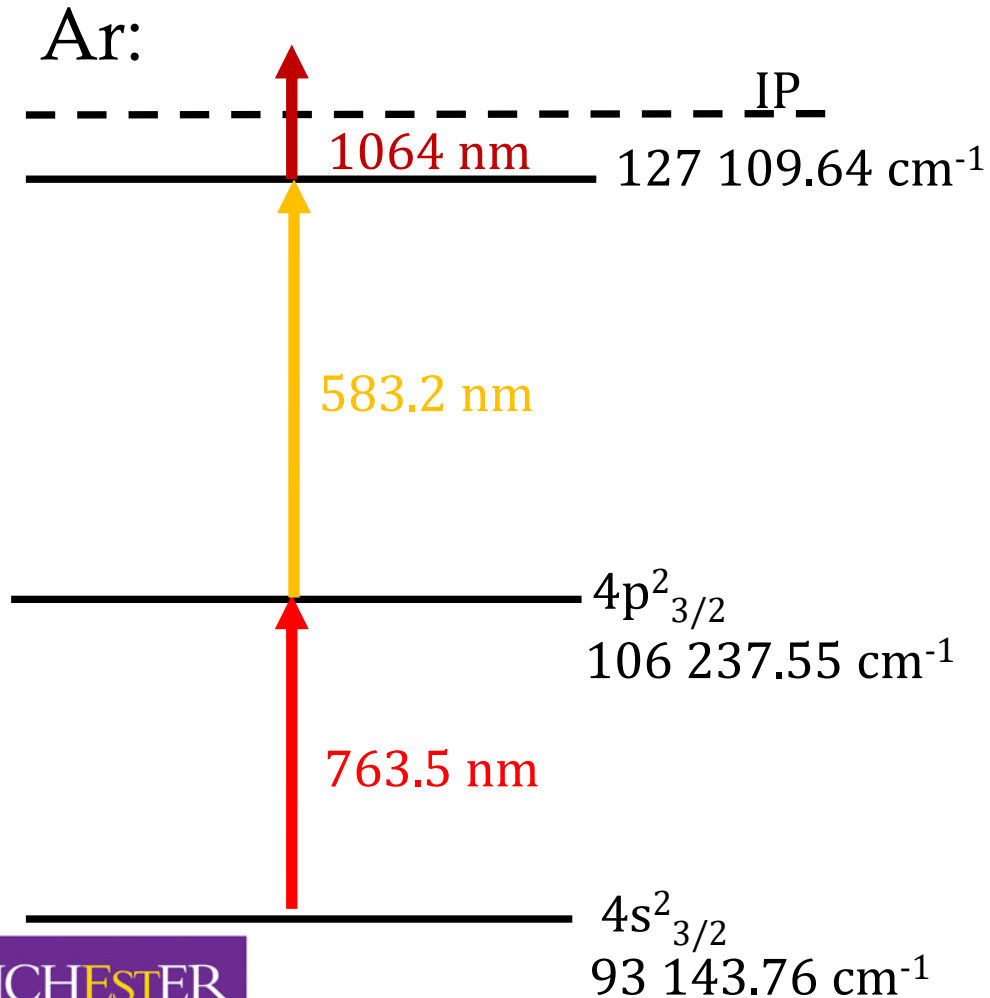
Populate metastable state in CEC with K vapour.

Typical TiSa + Dye + 1064 scheme



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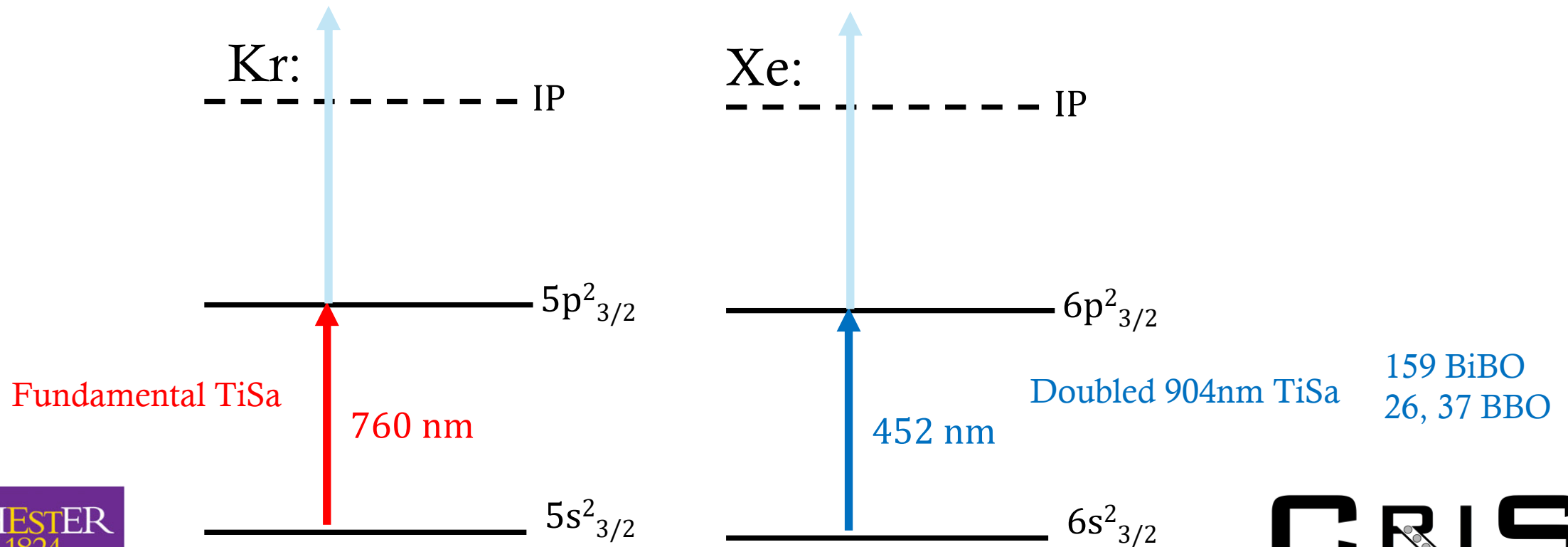
Similarity in Scheme with K means easy swap between commissioning and Ar experiment



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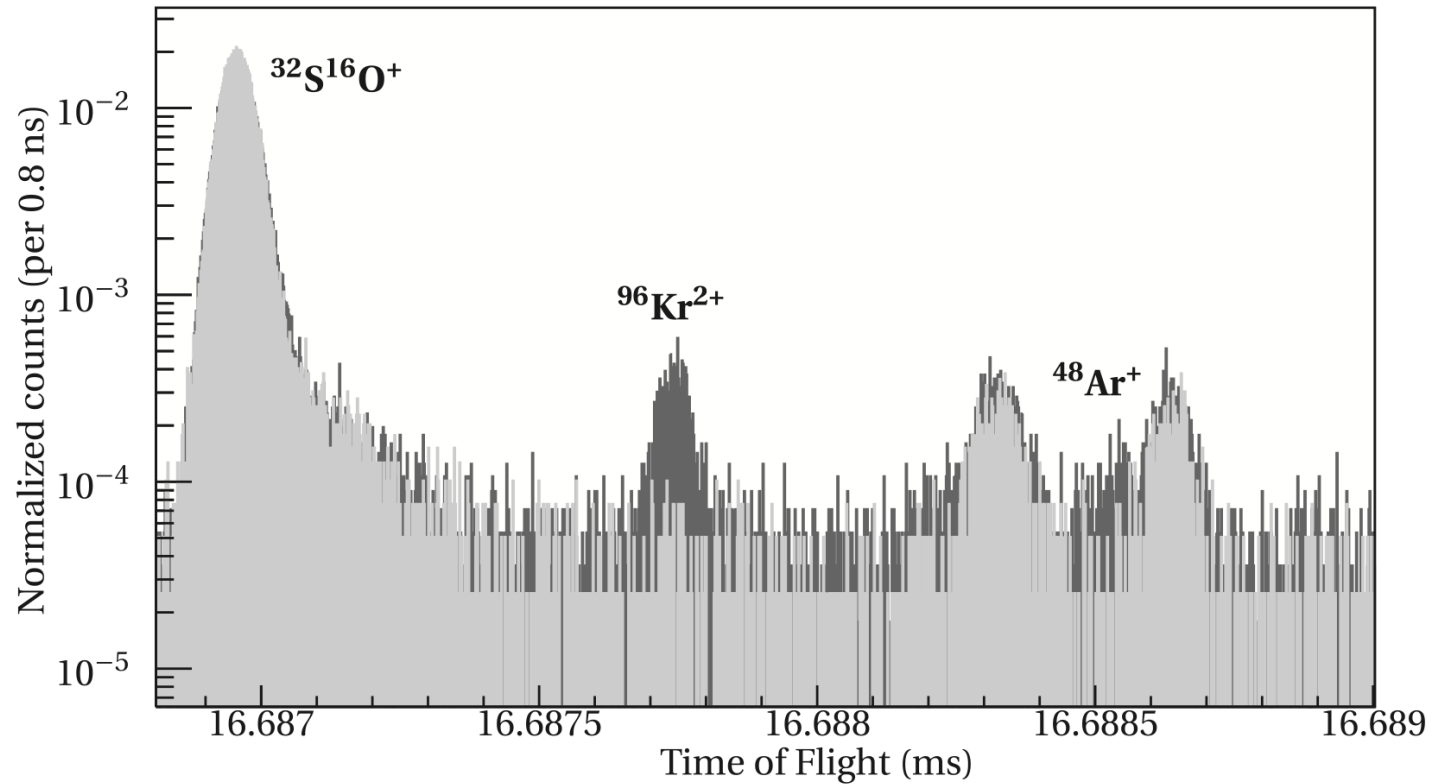
Other options:

- Produced by the same ion source: Kr and Xe



Contamination

- Expected contamination from Kr^{2+} and Xe^{3+} .
- ISOLTRAP observed several stable molecular contaminants
 - $^{34}\text{S}^{12}\text{C}^+$
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- Narrow beam gate required for reduction of intensity

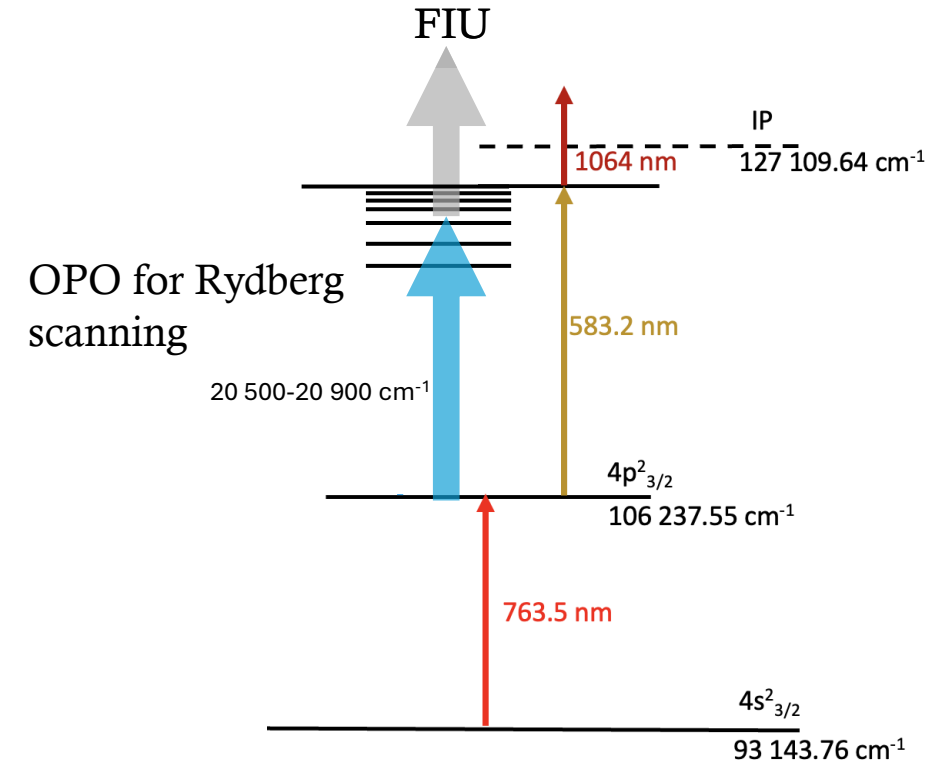
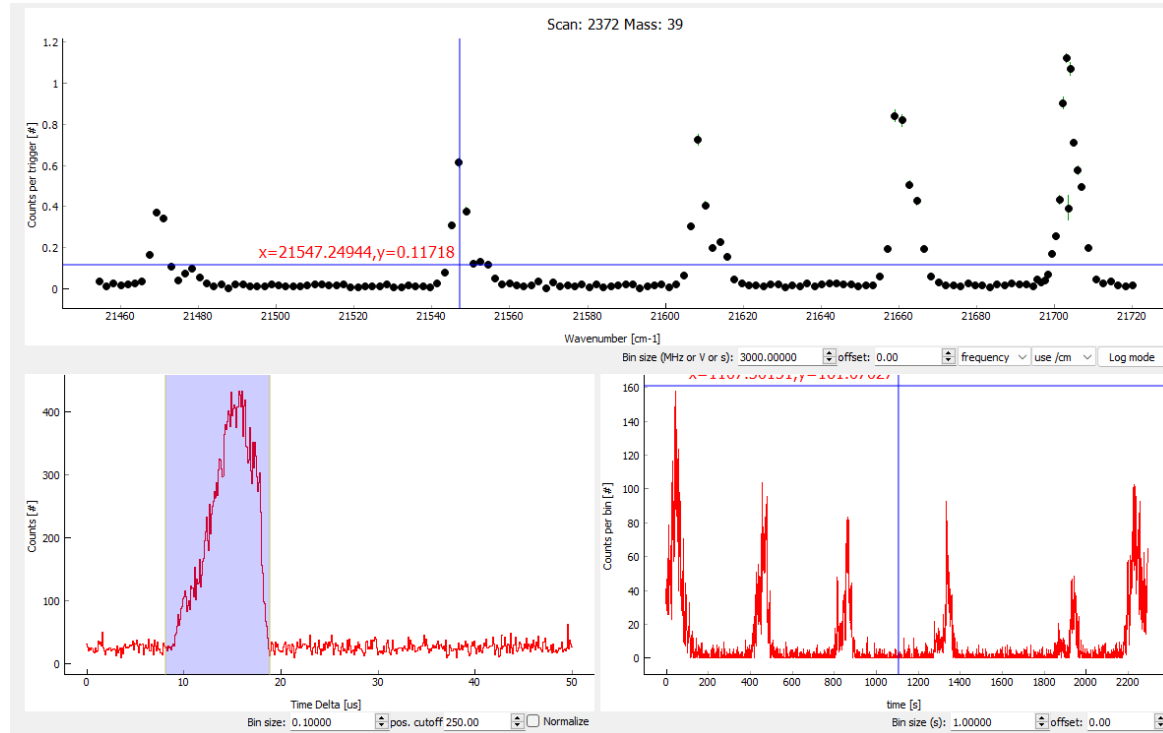


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Using OPO to scan across the Rydberg scheme

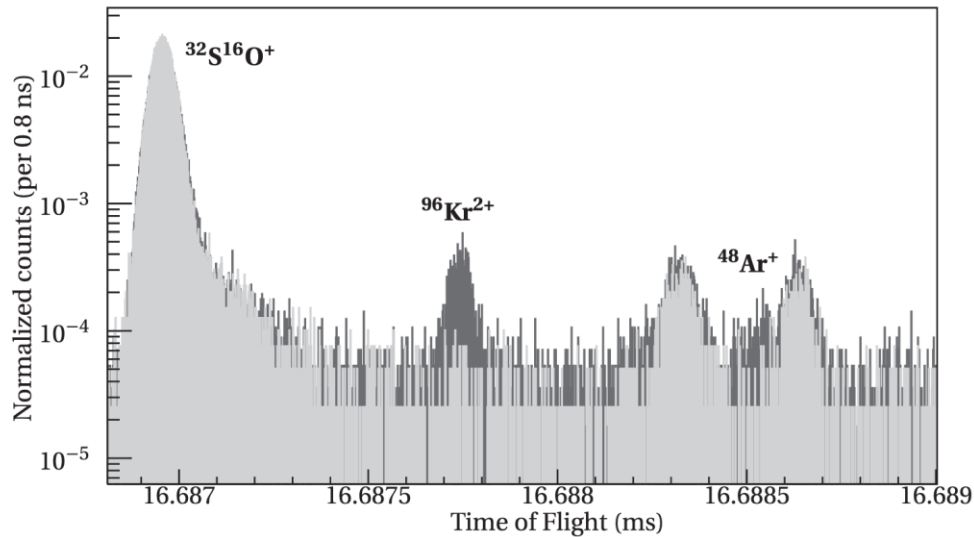
Suppress laser related background, use deflectors



Thank You



Yields and contaminations



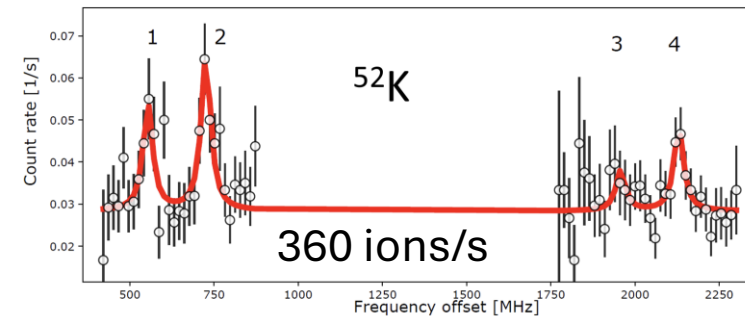
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Contributions for shift estimate:

- Reduction of yield due to narrow beam gate
- CRIS efficiency
- Population of metastable state, hyperfine structure
- Time needed for multiple scans (strongly dependent on signal-to-background ratio)

ISOLTRAP measurements on ^{48}Ar

- Expect similar level of contamination
- Mostly $^{32}\text{S}^{16}\text{O}^+$, $^{96}\text{Kr}^+$
- Narrow beam gate required to reduce contamination
- Shifts estimated from worst case of expected background in CRIS

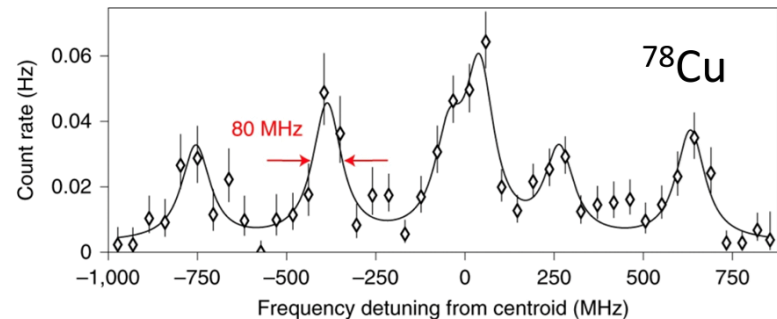


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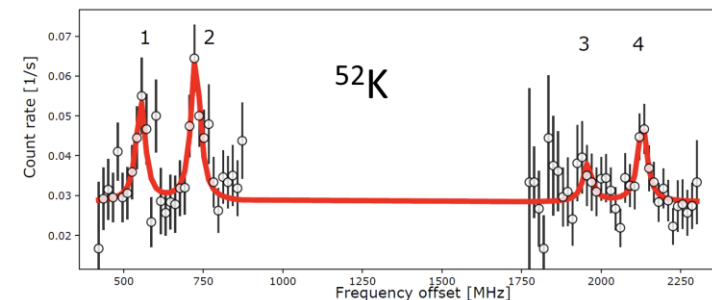
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20 ions/s



360 ions/s

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- Stable beamtuning for **CRIS setup: 3 shifts**
 - **Reference measurements** throughout experiment, calibration of voltage drifts and systematic effects: **5 shifts**
 - **Laser spectroscopy** of ^{45}Ar : **2 shifts**, **Laser spectroscopy** of $^{47,48}\text{Ar}$: **11 shifts**
 - Shifts requested account for expected contamination and reduction of yields by using a narrow beamgate
- TAC comments: The TAC does not foresee any serious issues with this proposal.