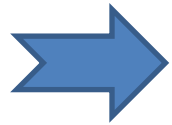


# « PTFI », a Beam Profiler for low Intensity, low Energy, Radioactive Beams Measurements



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Beam intensity measurement

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**Counting mode**

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**(part. by part. measurement)**

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**Charge measurement**

**(=integration over time)**

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**Localization anode behind the MCP**

**pixels**

**delay lines**

**resistive readout**

**wedge & stripes anode**



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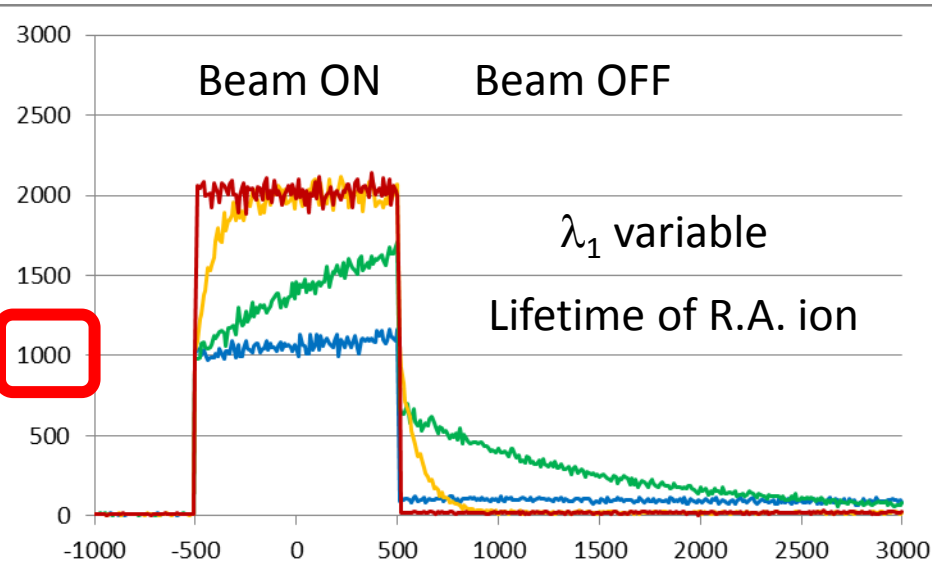
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**THIS** is the main challenge of radioactive beams measurements...

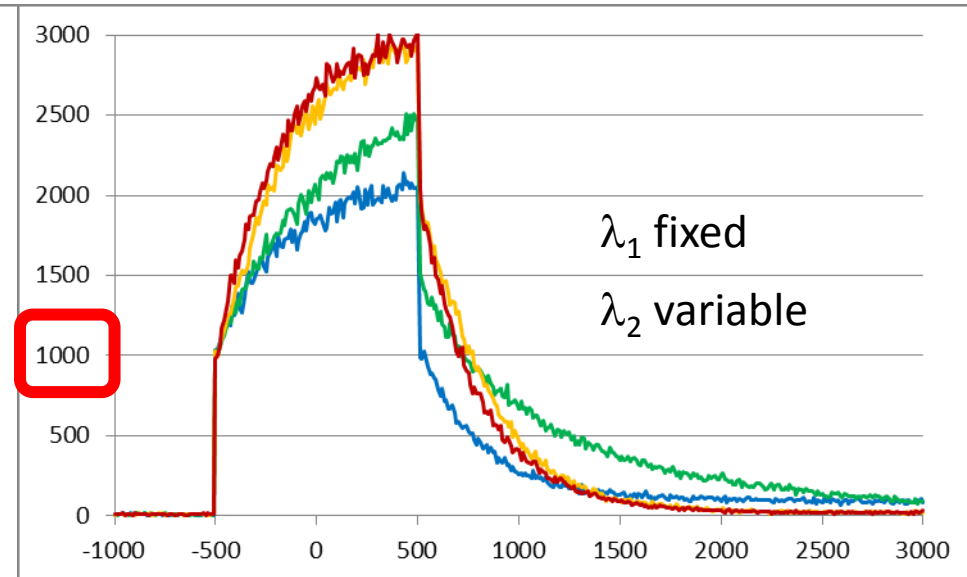
Counting incident ions and **ONLY** incident ions, not  $\beta$  decays!!!

Exemple : 1000 ions/s

1 decay



2 decays ...





# Context & issue of the PTFI

-1- to measure beam position

$\sigma_{x,y} < 1\text{mm}_{\text{RMS}}$

**Cheap !!!**



-2- beam intensity,

$dN/dt < 10^5 \text{ pps}$

**NO active electronics (preamps) near the beam line !!!**

-4- (highly)  $\epsilon_{\text{eff}} = 0.5$  (active)

usually multiple decays



-5- ions beams

few 10<sup>10</sup>

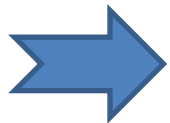
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(no comment!)



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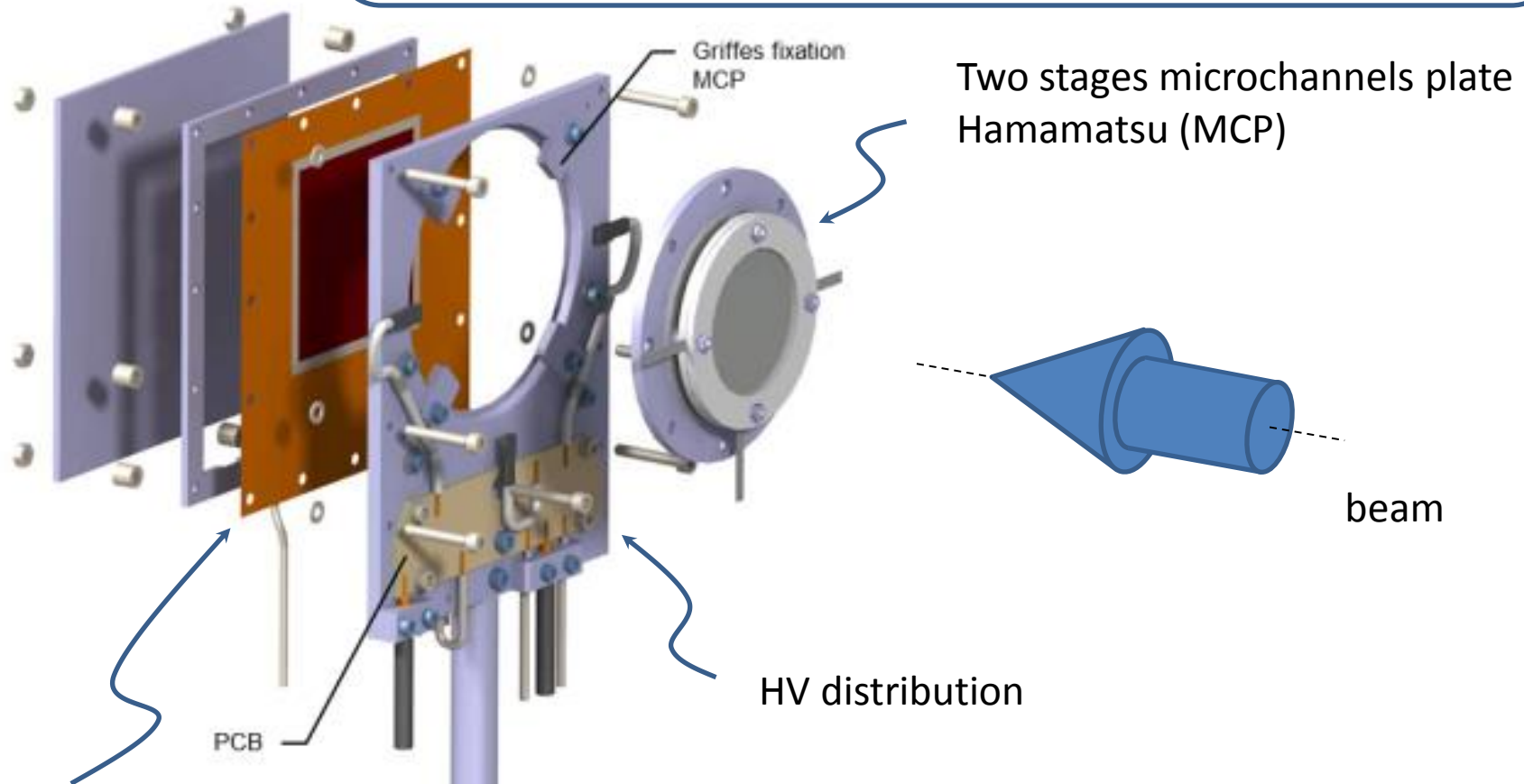
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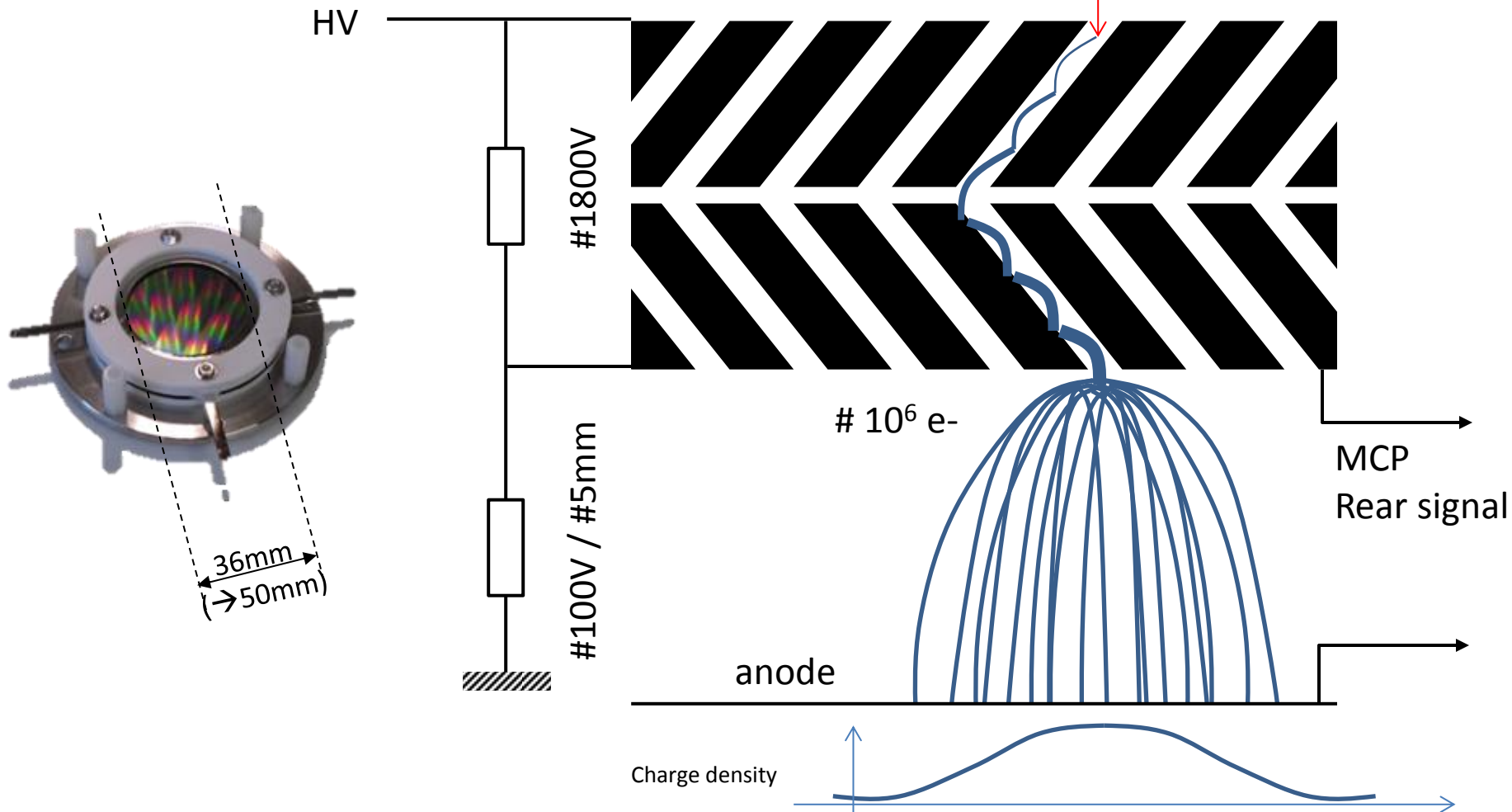


## PTFI Drawings :



Localization : charge division resistive anode  
(two sides kapton PCB)

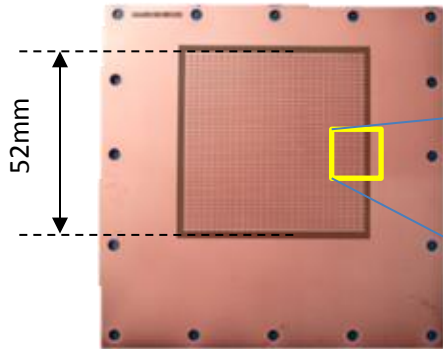
# The MPC



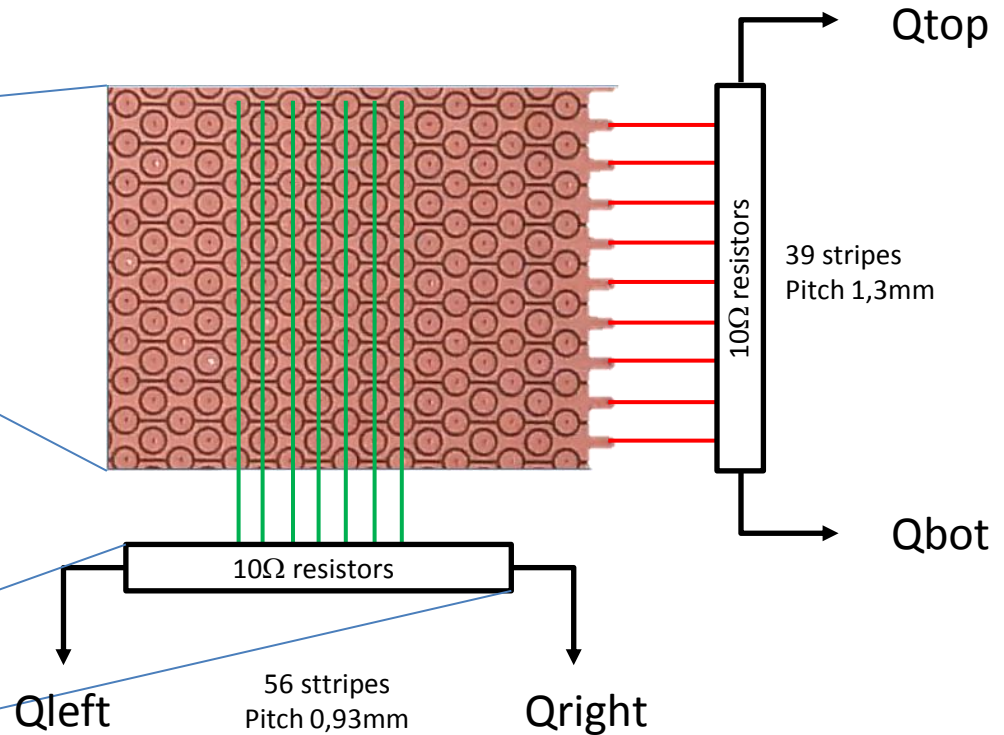
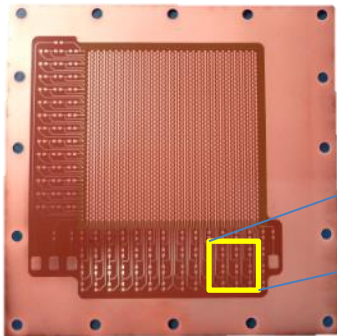


# Two axis charge division resistive anode

Anode (top side = MCP)



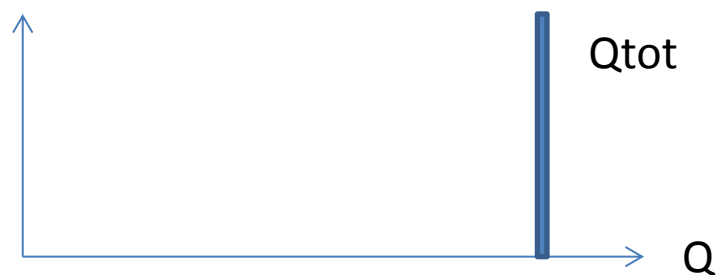
Anode (bottom side)



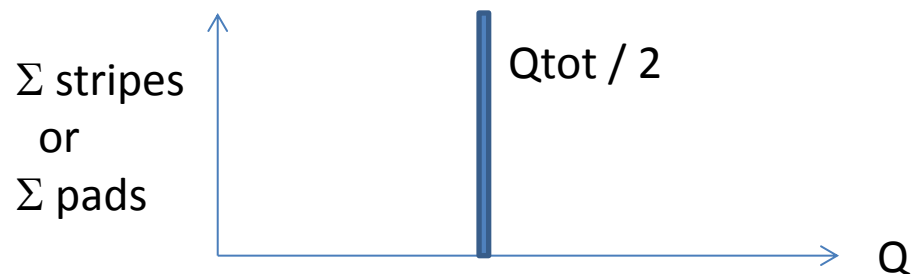
On average  $S(\text{hor. stripes}) \# S(\text{pads})$   
 $\rightarrow Q_{\text{tot}} / 2$  dans chacun

# Charge spectra vs position

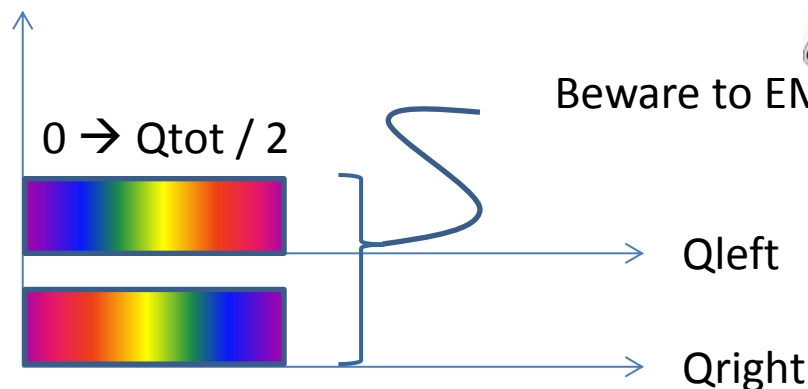
MCP rear charge:



On localization channels, at best :



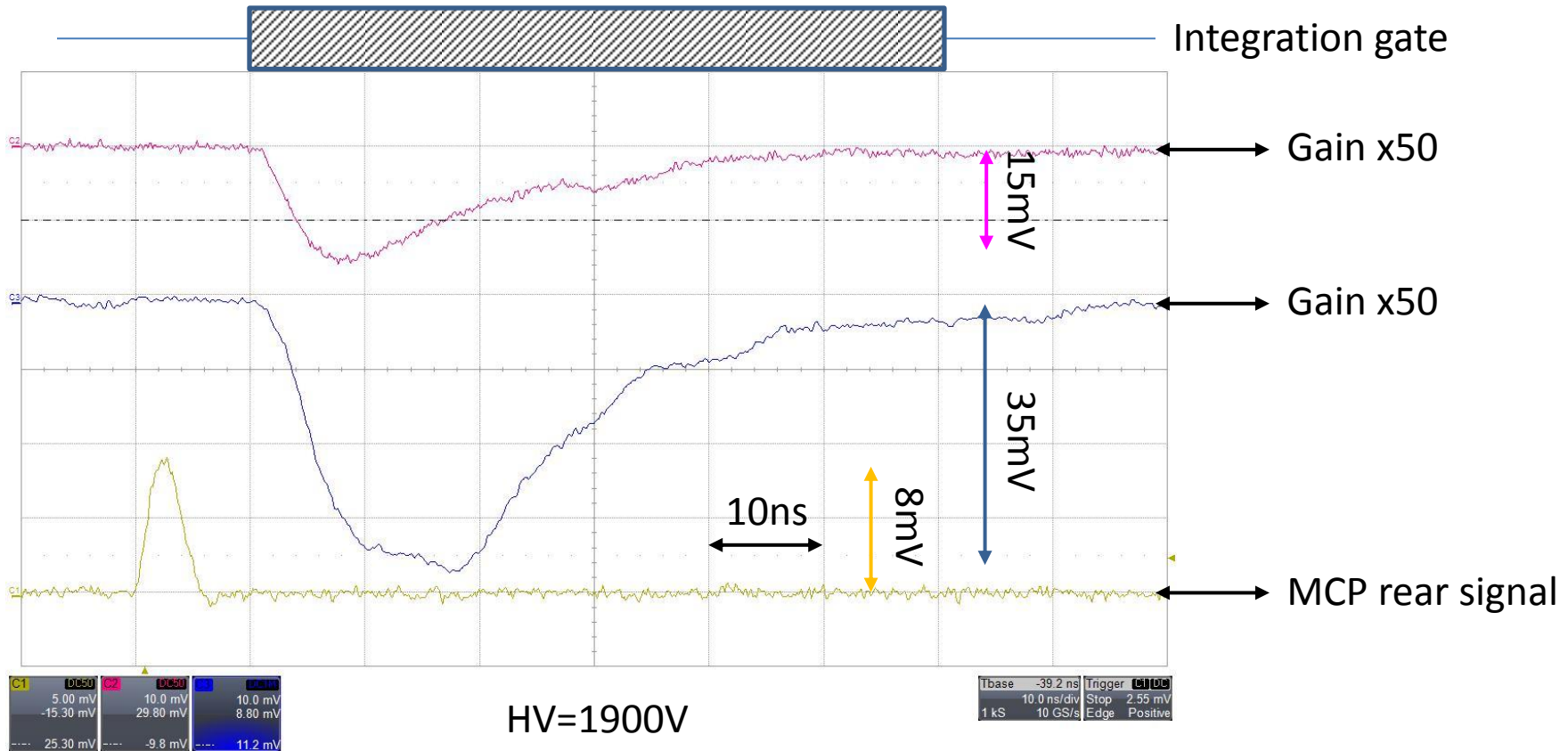
For individual signals, depending on position



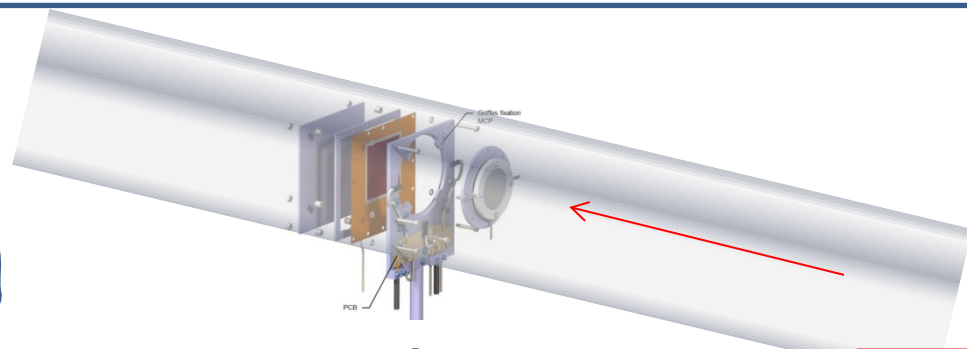
Beware to EMC problems



# Example of PTFI signals



# Data acquisition



Single ended → différential

1 ion



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General purpose data acquisition system for time, charge, energy... measurements

### FASTER :

- 3x syroco AMC
- 3x caras
- 1x HV ???
- 1x logic ???



RJ45 privé



- Qtot
- Qleft
- Qright
- Qtop
- Qbot
- date

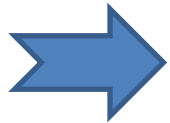




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## Spatial calibration

3 steps :

- 1) Gain matching
- 2) Distortion correction
- 3) Beam line reference transfer

$[Q_{lef}; Q_{right}; Q_{top}; Q_{bot}]$



$[\tilde{x}; \tilde{y}]$

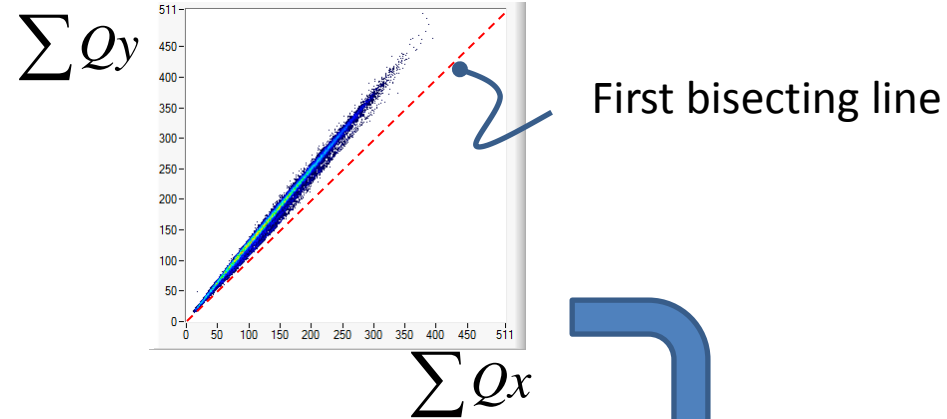


$[X_{dest}; Y_{dest}]$

... ready to use

# Electronics gain matching

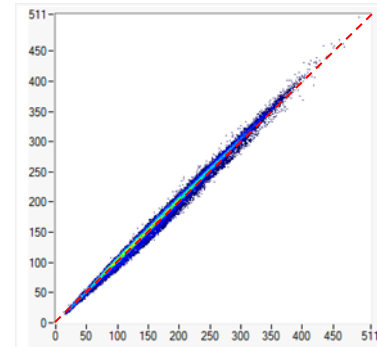
Based on charge conservation :



Just keep #1000 points  
**Uniformly selected** on MCP front face  
 And solve by using a linear Least Squared fit

$$a \cdot Q_{left} + b \cdot Q_{right} = c \cdot Q_{top} + 1 \cdot Q_{bot}$$

Typ. [a,b,c] # 1

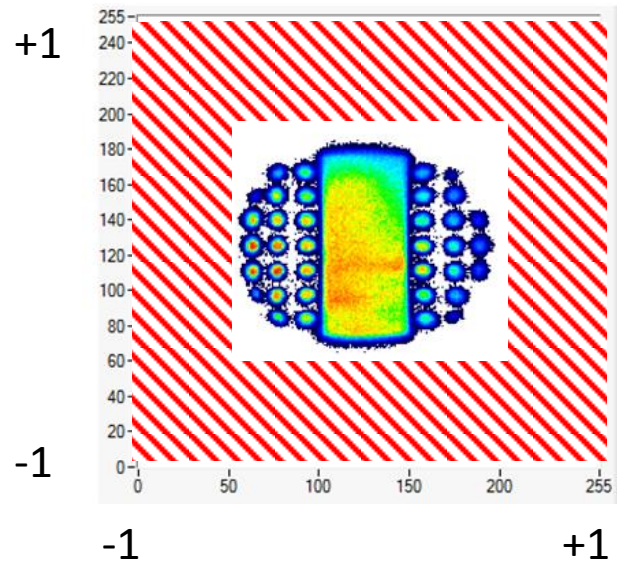
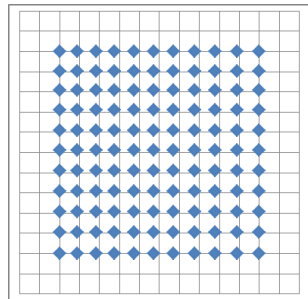
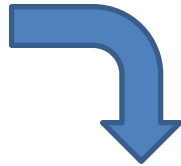
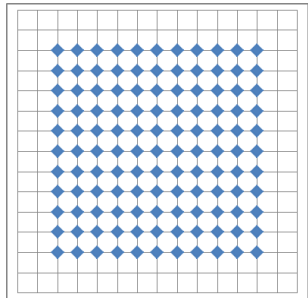


# Electronics gain matching

Position estimator

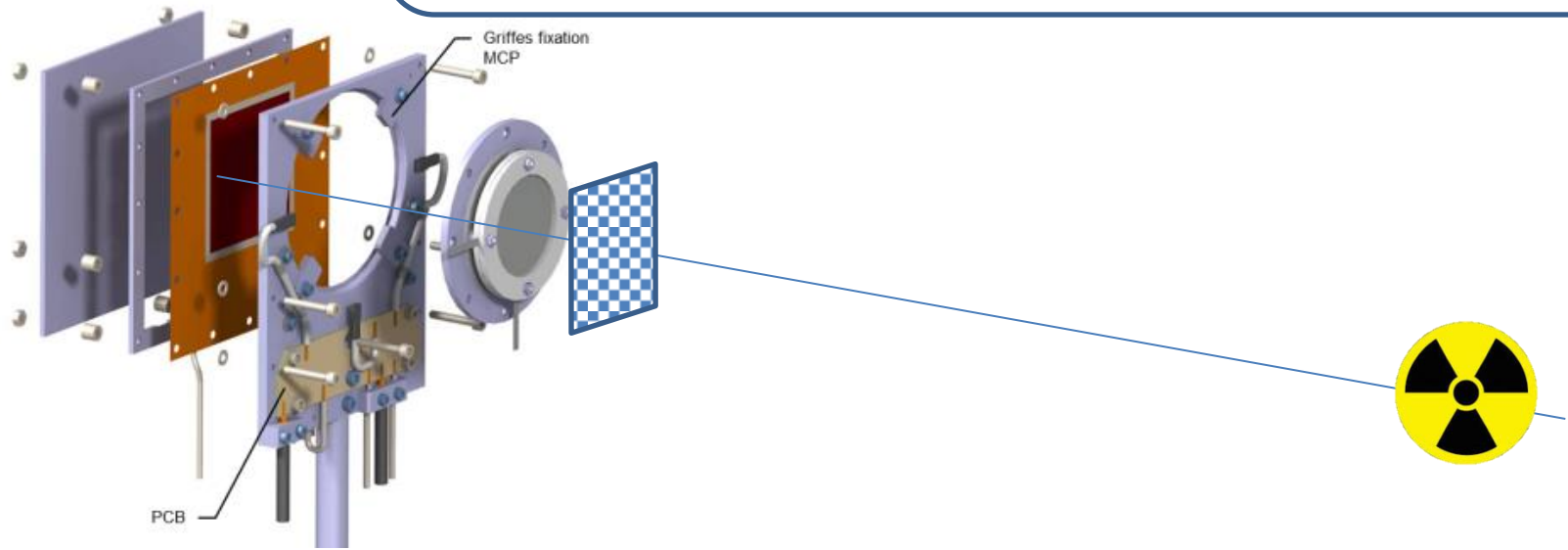
$$\tilde{x} = \frac{a \cdot Q_{right} - b \cdot Q_{left}}{a \cdot Q_{right} + b \cdot Q_{left}}$$

$$\tilde{y} = \frac{c \cdot Q_{top} - 1 \cdot Q_{bot}}{c \cdot Q_{top} + 1 \cdot Q_{bot}}$$



Typ. [a,b,c] # 1

# Distortion correction & Beam line reference transfer

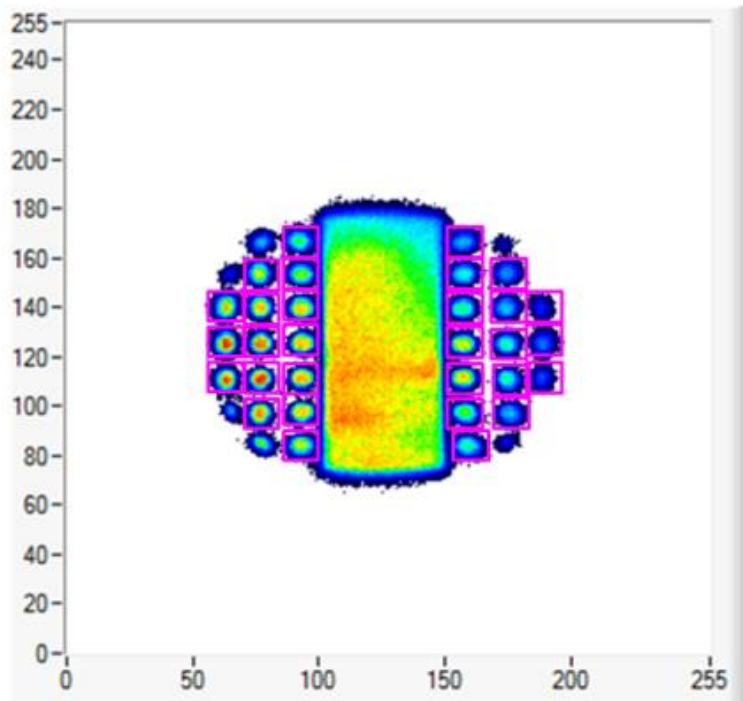


PTFI mounted on its propulsor

mask  
 holes referenced to  
 beam line coordinates,  
 placed near the MCP front face

Radioactive source  
 ( $\alpha$  for inst.)  
 at beam axis

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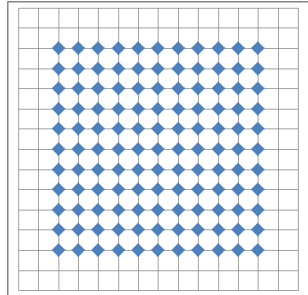


**One just have to measure**  
*([x,y] in arb. units)*  
**centroid position of every hole**  
*([Xdest,Ydest] known in « beam line units »  
 thank's to the mask)*

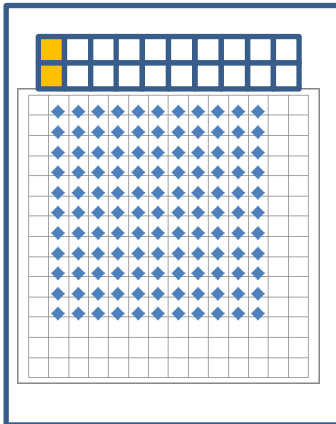
$$X_{dest} = a_0 + a_1 \cdot x + a_2 \cdot y + a_3 \cdot x^2 + a_4 \cdot y^2 + a_5 \cdot x \cdot y + a_6 \cdot x^3 + a_7 \cdot y^3 + a_8 \cdot x^2 \cdot y + a_9 \cdot x \cdot y^2$$

$$Y_{dest} = b_0 + b_1 \cdot x + b_2 \cdot y + b_3 \cdot x^2 + b_4 \cdot y^2 + b_5 \cdot x \cdot y + b_6 \cdot x^3 + b_7 \cdot y^3 + b_8 \cdot x^2 \cdot y + b_9 \cdot x \cdot y^2$$

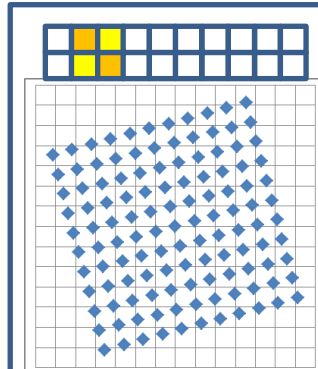
# « general » transformation function



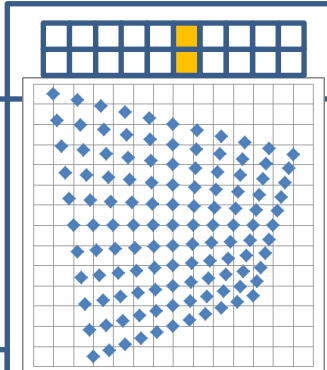
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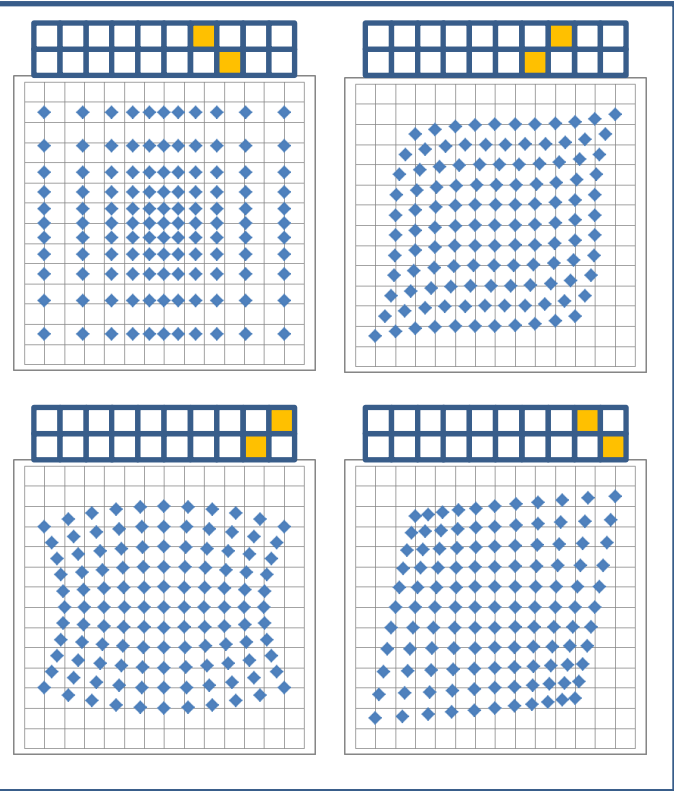
(a,b) 1,2



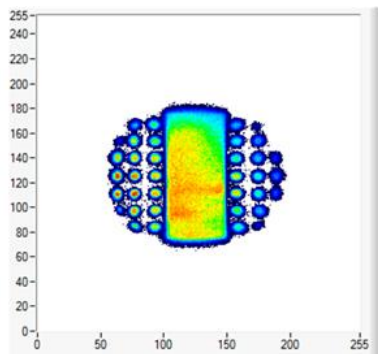
(a,b) 3,4,5



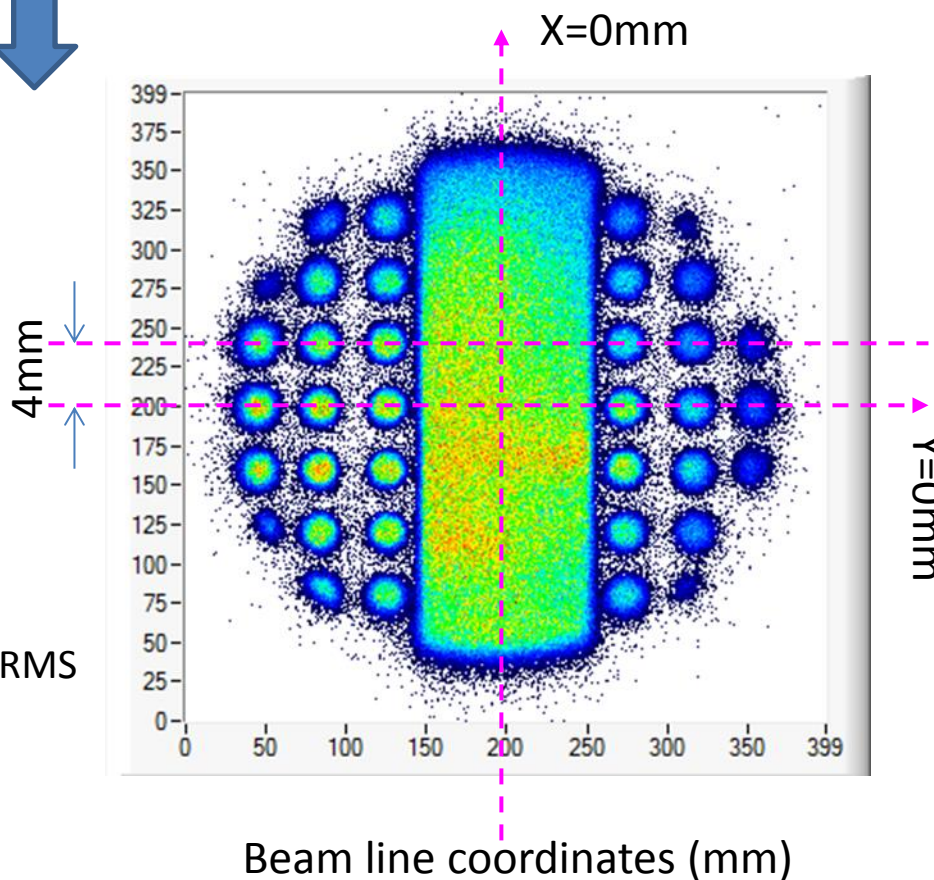
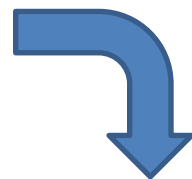
(a,b) 6,7,8,9



# Beam image referenced to beam line coordinates



A.U.



Beam line coordinates (mm)

For each ion:

Position uncertainty  $\approx 250\mu\text{m}_{\text{RMS}}$





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# Ions intensity measurement

3 steps :

- 1) MCP spatial gain correction
- 2) Reference spectra (ions,  $\beta$ ) learning
- 3) Ions/decays unfolding

$[\text{rawspectra}(x, y)](Q)$



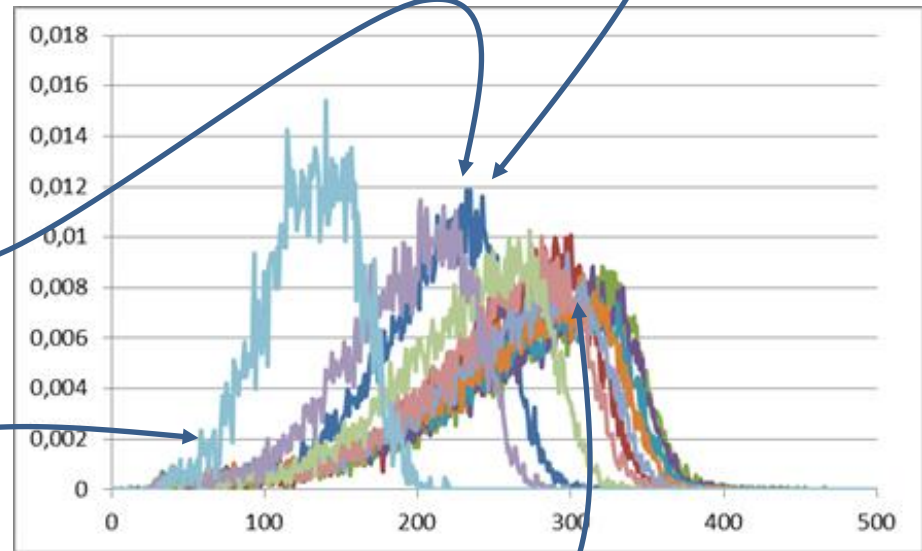
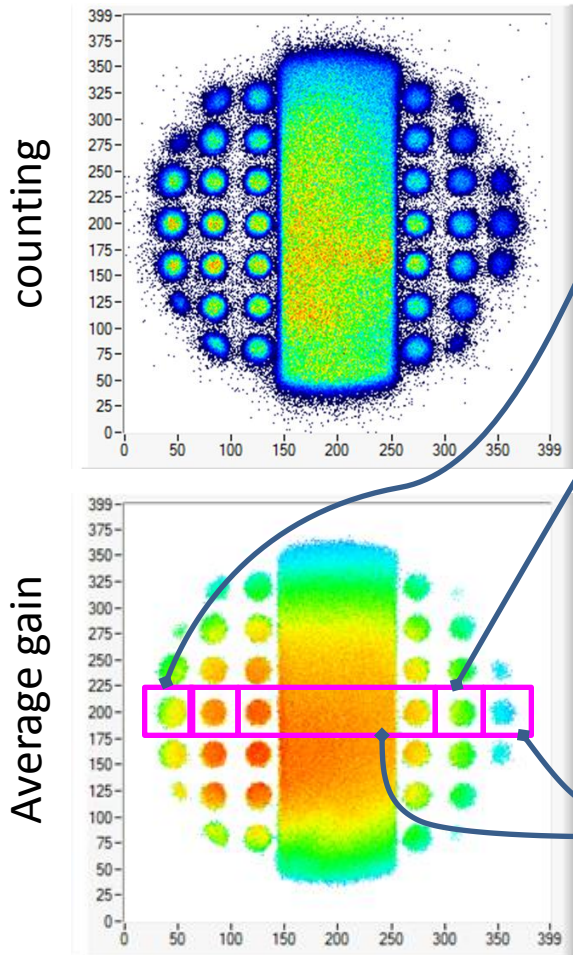
$[\text{standardized spectra}(x, y)]$



$[\beta_{\text{ref}}(x, y)]; [\text{ion}_{\text{ref}}(x, y)]$

... ready to use

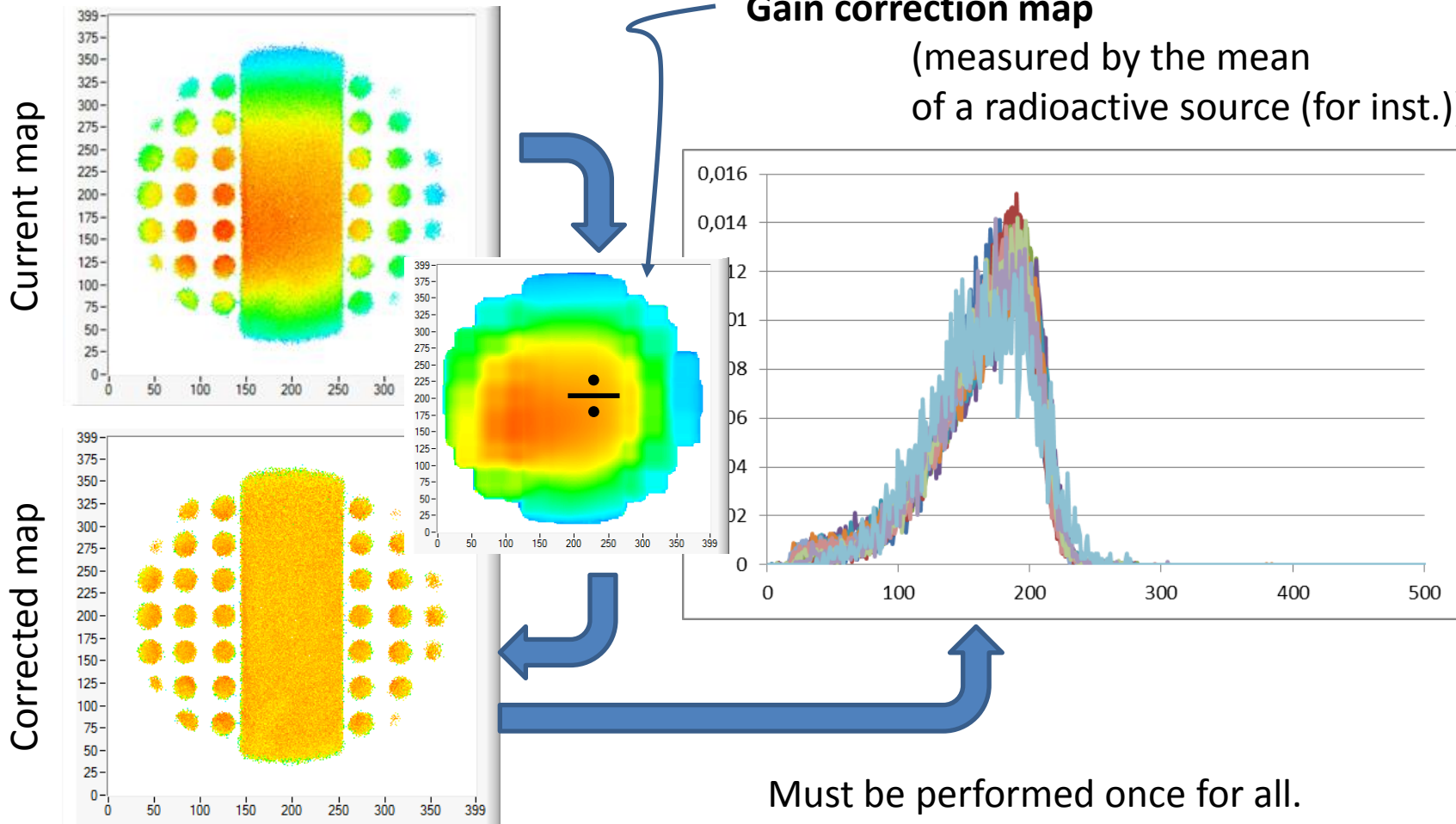
# The MCP gain is NOT uniform



# MCP gain standardization

## Gain correction map

(measured by the mean of a radioactive source (for inst.))



Must be performed once for all.

# Let's have a look at measurements

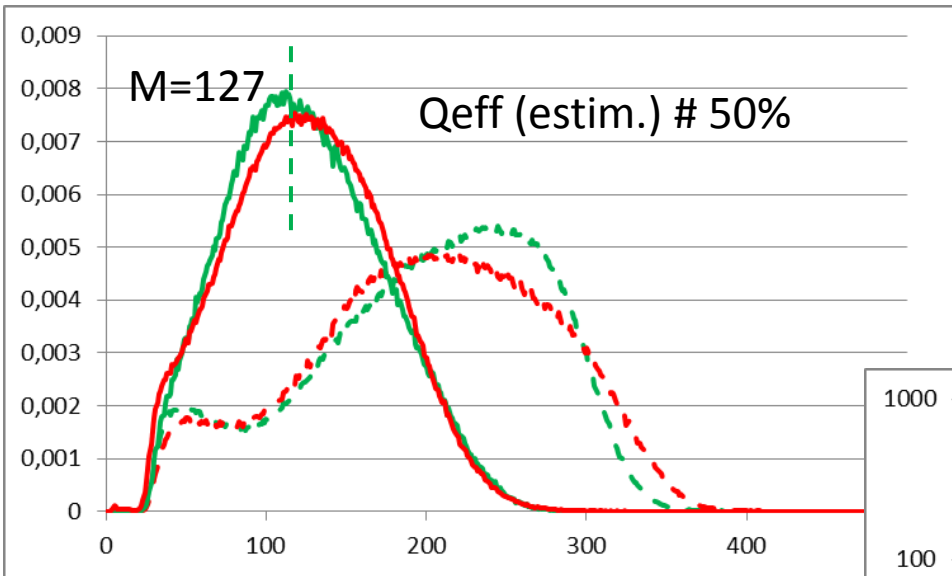


Mixed beam

(35-40)Ar1+ @10keV

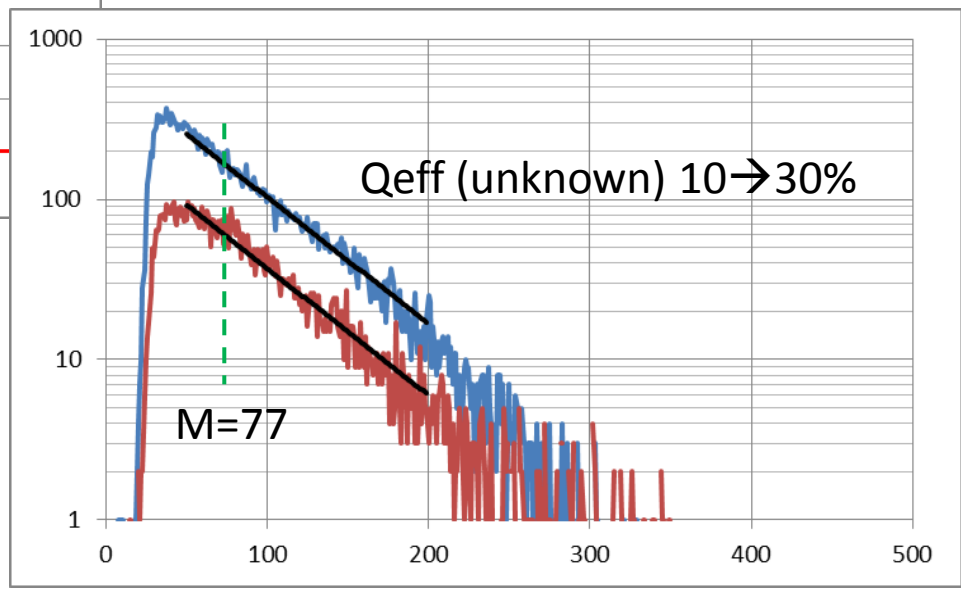
Stable beam

36Ar4+ @(25-30)keV



Problem -1-  
Ions spectra (←) depend on ...

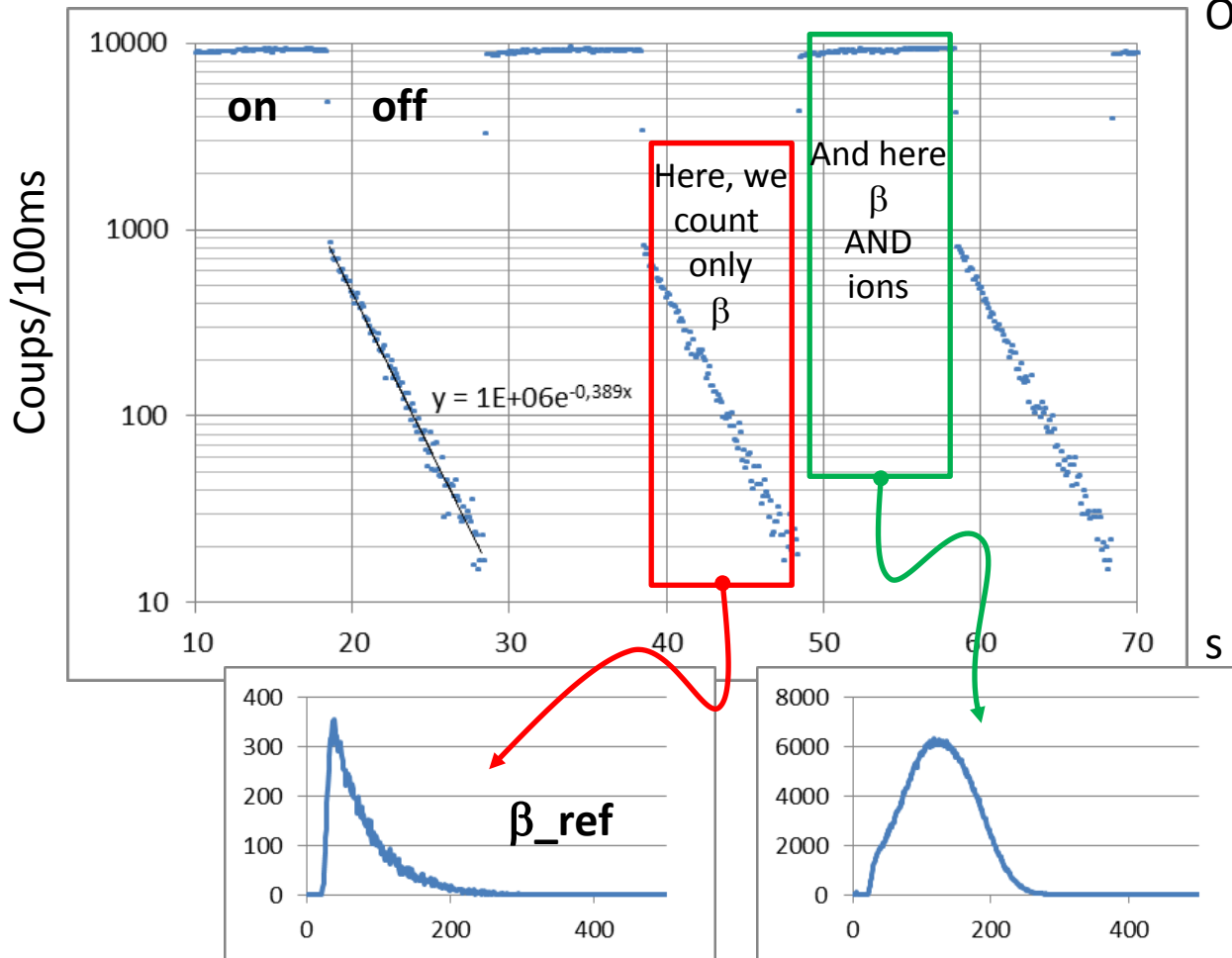
MCP background & β decays spectrum



Problem -2-  
One can efficiently measure β spectra (→)  
but ions are always in presence of their  
β decays...

And now...  
hang on to your seats & let's have fun!

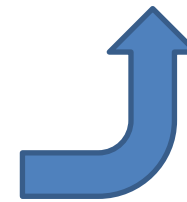
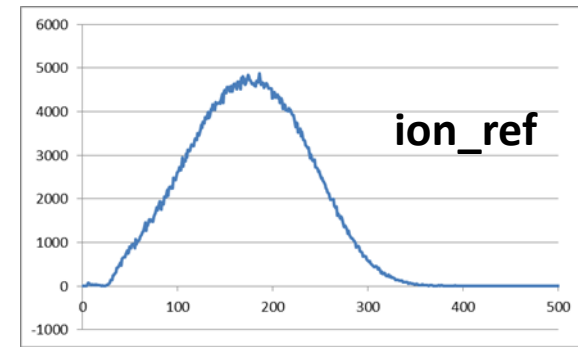
Chopped beam



Our objective :

Counting ONLY ions

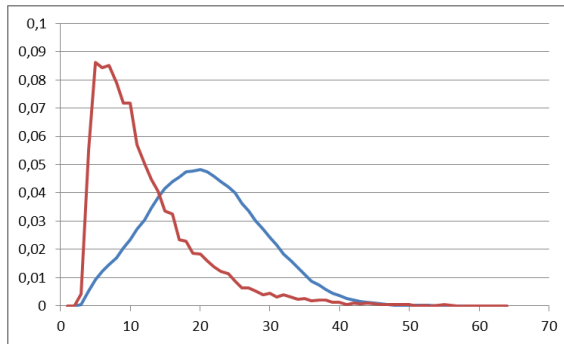
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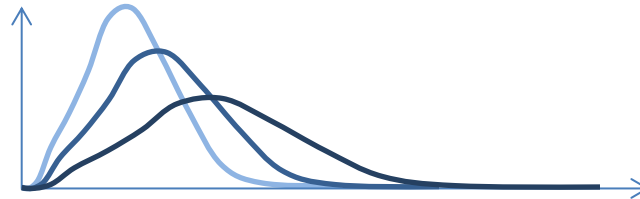
By measuring  $\beta$  decays shape vs time, one can decide how many decays were present during ions implantation

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We learned experimental spectra ( $\beta$  & ions)  $\rightarrow$  basis spectra



We mount ions spectrum on a « rubber band »  $\rightarrow$  scaling purpose

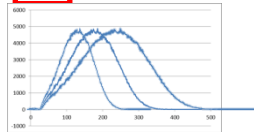
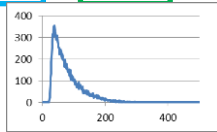


Step -3- : we fit experimental spectra with  $\beta$  and elastic ions basis spectra

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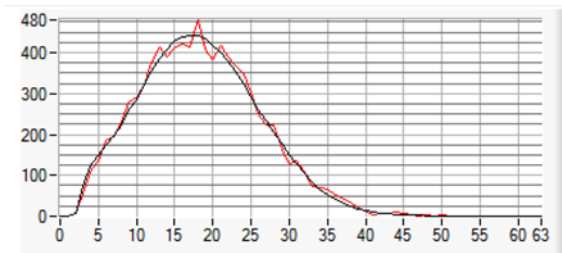
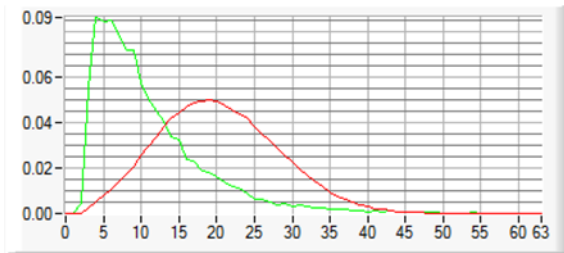
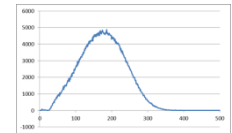
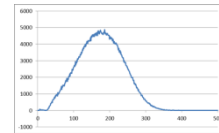
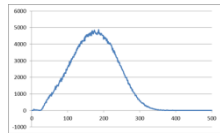
We adjust experimental spectrum by the mean of :

$$curr\_spectrum[i] = |n_\beta| \beta\_ref[i] + |n| \cdot ion\_scaled(\alpha \cdot i) \quad n_{ions} = |n / \alpha|$$



Spectrum interpolation used for scaling purposes:

$$ion\_scaled(x) = ion\_ref[int(x)] + (x - int(x)) \cdot (ion\_ref[int(x) + 1] - ion\_ref[int(x)])$$

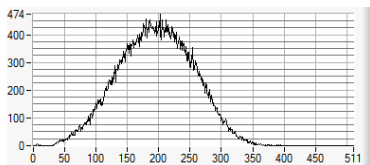


It works for dilatation/contraction up to 50%

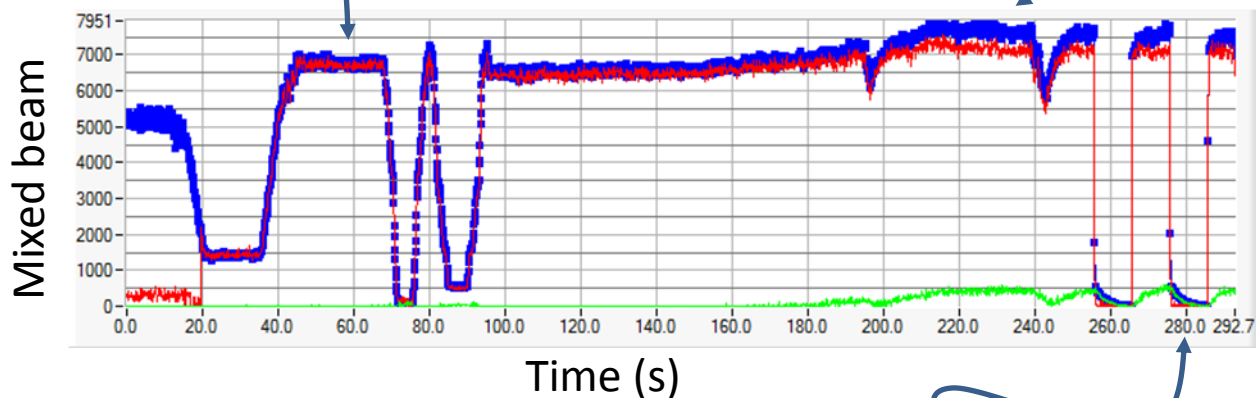
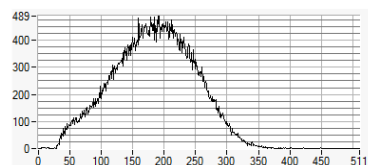


At least, particles are correctly identified

ONLY stable ions



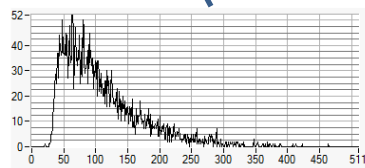
Stable + radioactive ions



Raw counting

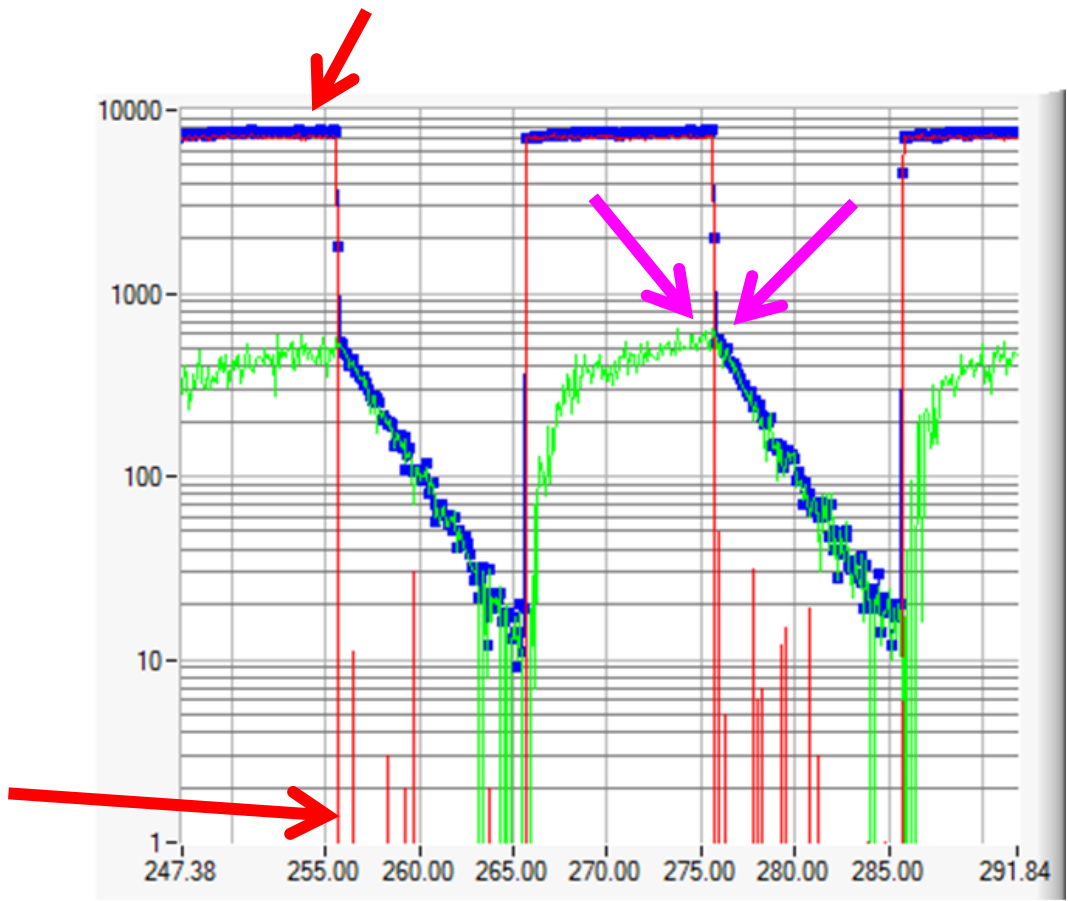
Computed Ion counting

Computed  $\beta$  counting



ONLY  $\beta$  decays

At least, particles are correctly identified



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Computed Ion counting

Computed  $\beta$  counting



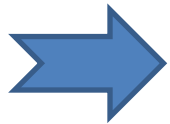
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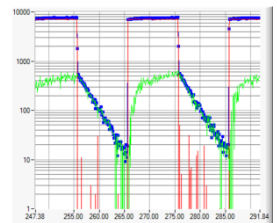
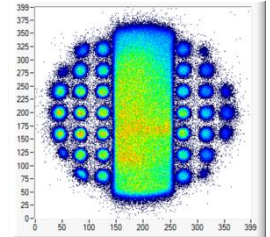
**It works !!!** (at least it seems to work)

Position uncertainty  $\ll 1\text{mm}_{\text{RMS}}$   
 (for each ion !  $\rightarrow$  far better for the beam)

2D beam image !!! (not X and Y projections)

One can clearly identify  $\beta$  and ions contributions in the total counting

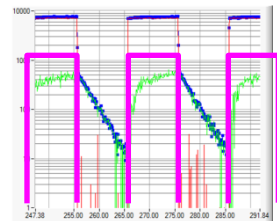
The unfolding procedure is ROBUST  
 $\rightarrow$  tested for scaling parameters in the range [0.5 ; 1.5]



## Next step

Test it with pure radioactive beams with multiple decays

If we knew (measured, estimated ?)  $Q_{\text{eff}}(\text{ions})$  &  $Q_{\text{eff}}(\beta)$ ...  
 $\rightarrow$  we would be able to measure  $N'_{\text{stable}}$  AND  $N'_{\text{radioactive}}$



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