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Precision Measurements of Nuclear Ground-state Properties for Nuclear Structure, Astrophysics and Fundamental Studies

- Motivation for precision nuclear data
- Atomic physics techniques in nuclear physics
- Applications of nuclear ground state data



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Characteristics of a (radioactive) nucleus



its weight



its size



its life-time/decay



its shape



its e.m. properties



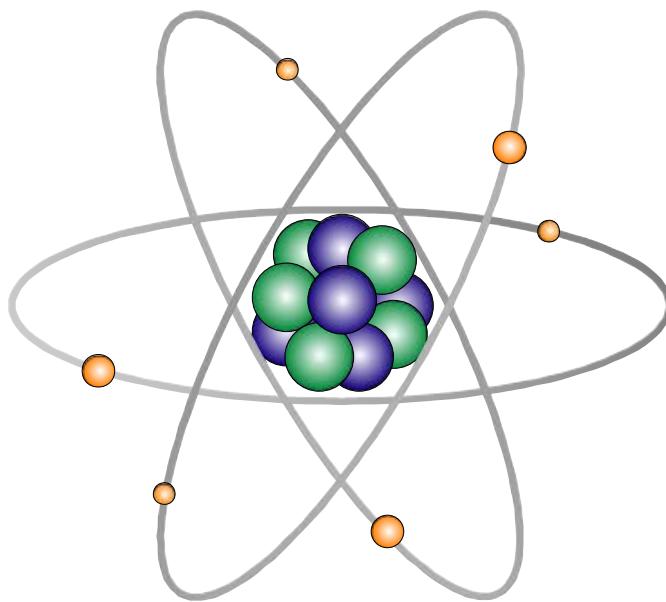
its mood (state)

In recent years unique tools have been developed to determine experimentally and to describe theoretically these characteristics.



Atomic and nuclear masses

Masses determine the atomic and nuclear binding energies reflecting all forces in the atom/nucleus.



$$= N \cdot \text{ } + Z \cdot \text{ } + Z \cdot \text{ } - \text{binding energy}$$

$$M_{\text{Atom}} = N \cdot m_{\text{neutron}} + Z \cdot m_{\text{proton}} + Z \cdot m_{\text{electron}} - (B_{\text{atom}} + B_{\text{nucleus}})/c^2$$

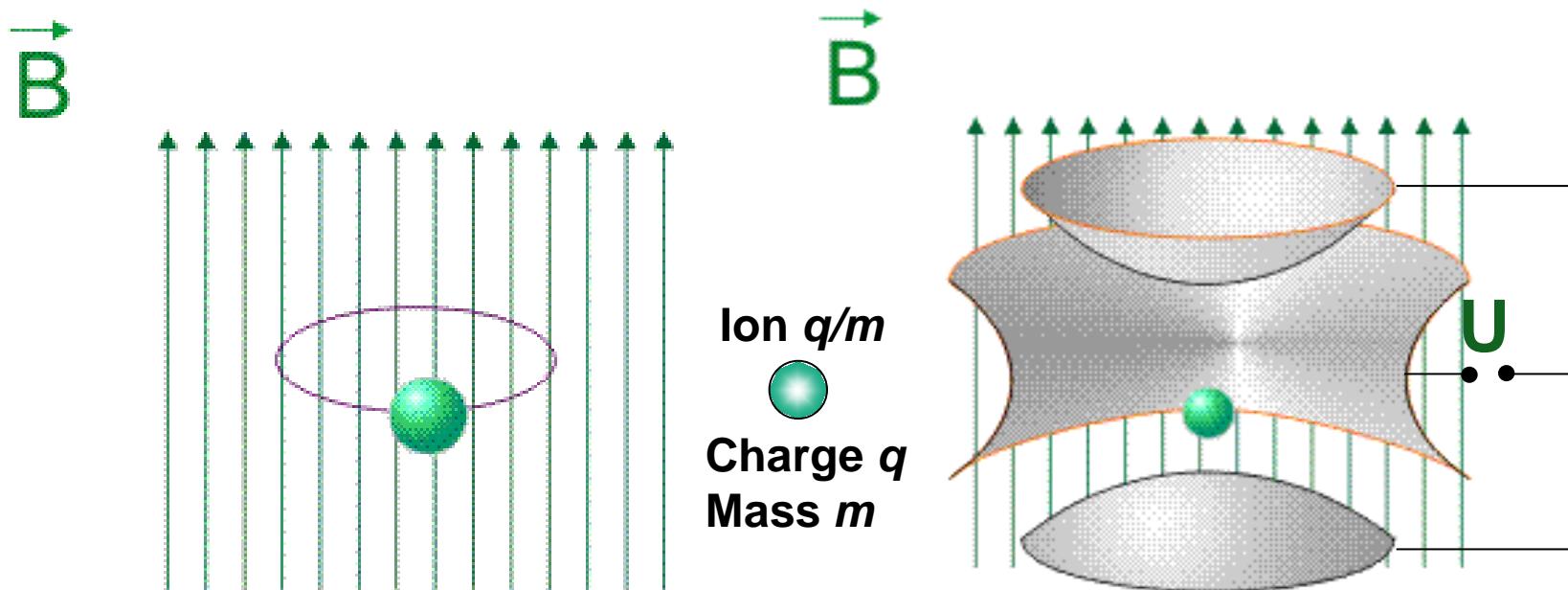
$$\delta m/m < 10^{-10}$$



$$\delta m/m = 10^{-6} - 10^{-8}$$



Storage of ions in a Penning trap



The free cyclotron frequency is inverse proportional to the mass of the ions!

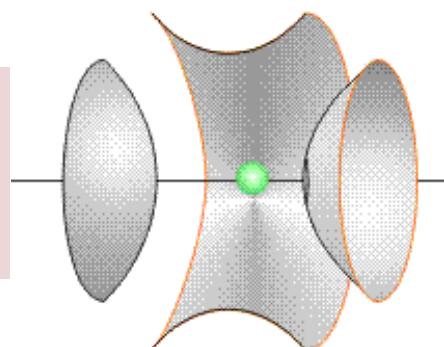
$$\omega_c = qB / m$$

L.S. Brown, G. Gabrielse, Rev. Mod. Phys. 58, 233 (1986).

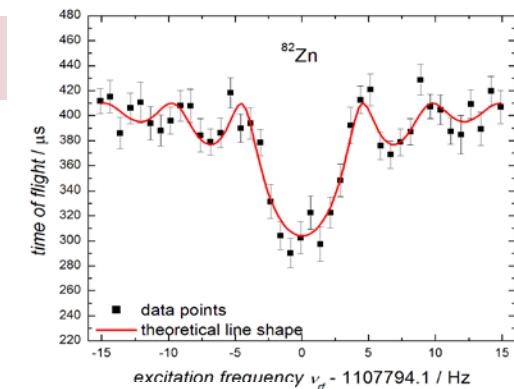
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Cyclotron frequency detection techniques

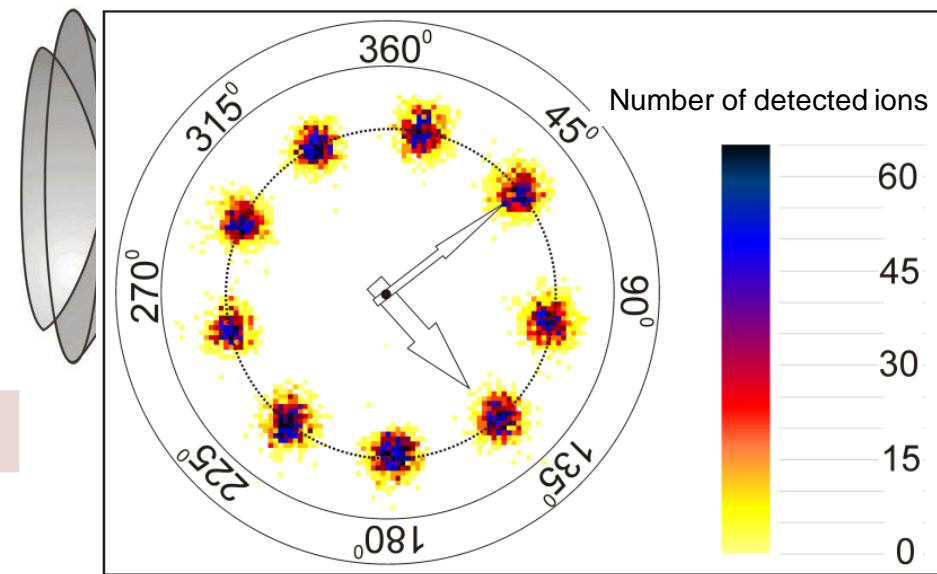
Destructive time-of-flight detection



$$R \propto 1/T_{\text{obs}}$$



Space/Phase resolving detection



$$R \propto 1/T_{\text{obs}} \cdot \Delta\phi/2\pi$$

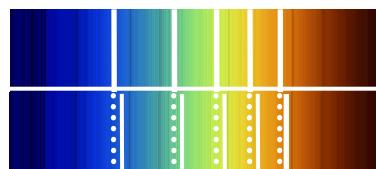
Mass accuracy of $\delta m/m = 10^{-10}$ demonstrated!

S. Eliseev et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 082501 (2013)

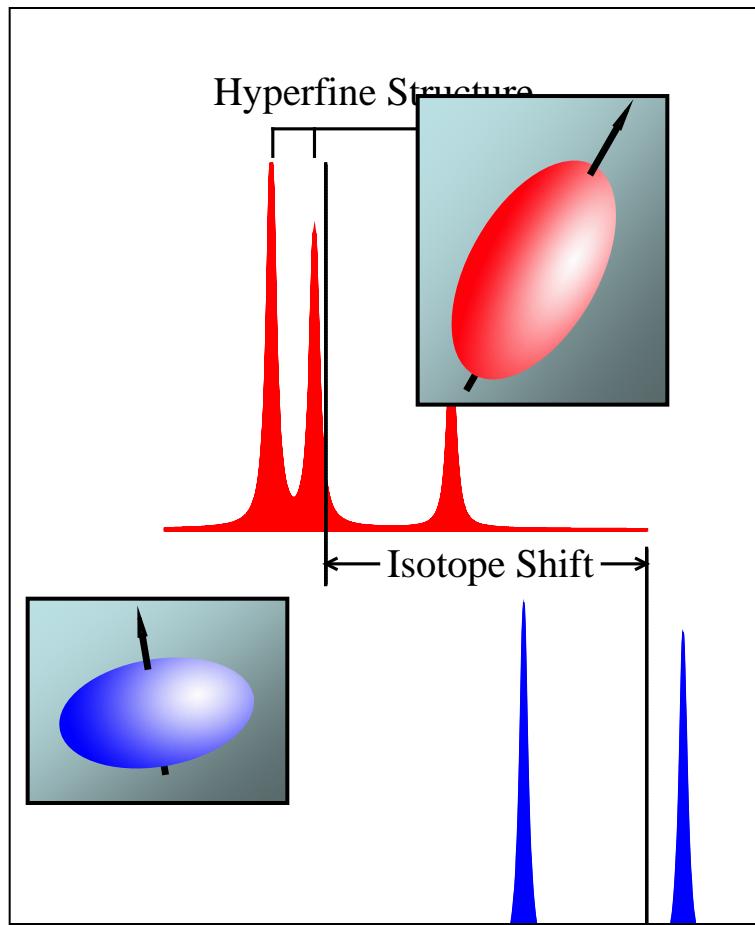


Laser spectroscopy and nuclear structure

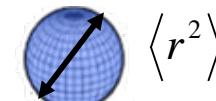
Isotope 1



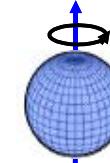
Isotope 2



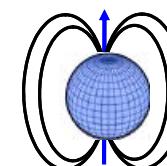
Isotope Shift := Frequency difference in an electronic transition between two isotopes



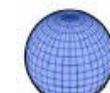
$$\langle r^2 \rangle$$



$$F = I + J$$



$$A = \mu_I \frac{\langle B(0) \rangle}{I \cdot J}$$



$$B = e Q_S \langle \varphi_{zz}(0) \rangle$$



its size



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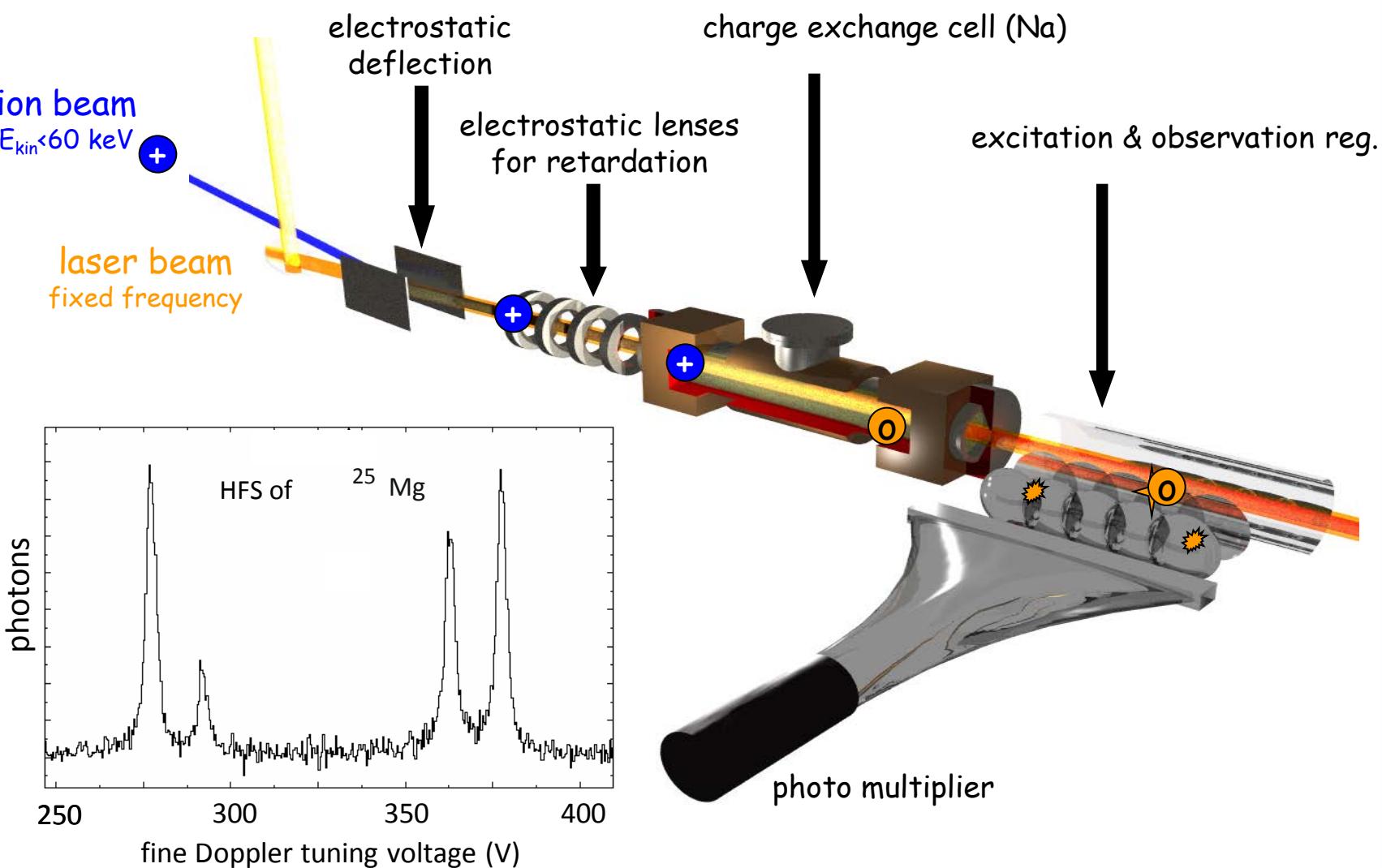
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Basics of (collinear) laser spectroscopy

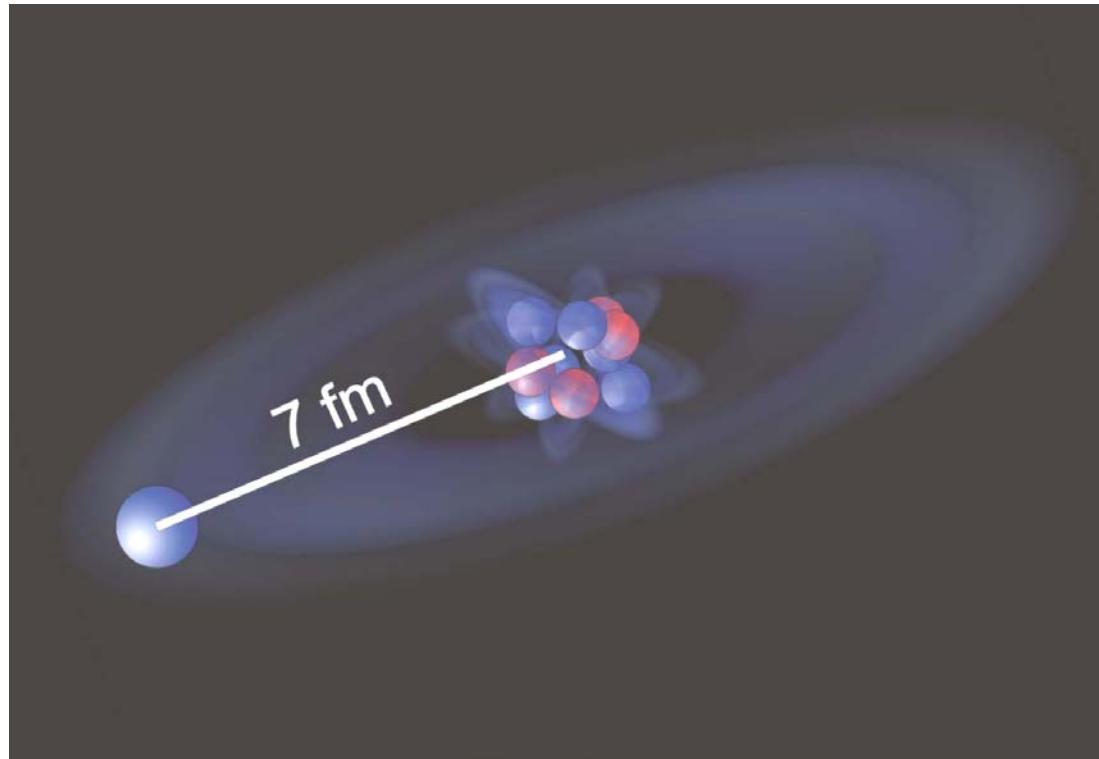
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Masses and radii

Nuclear structure studies

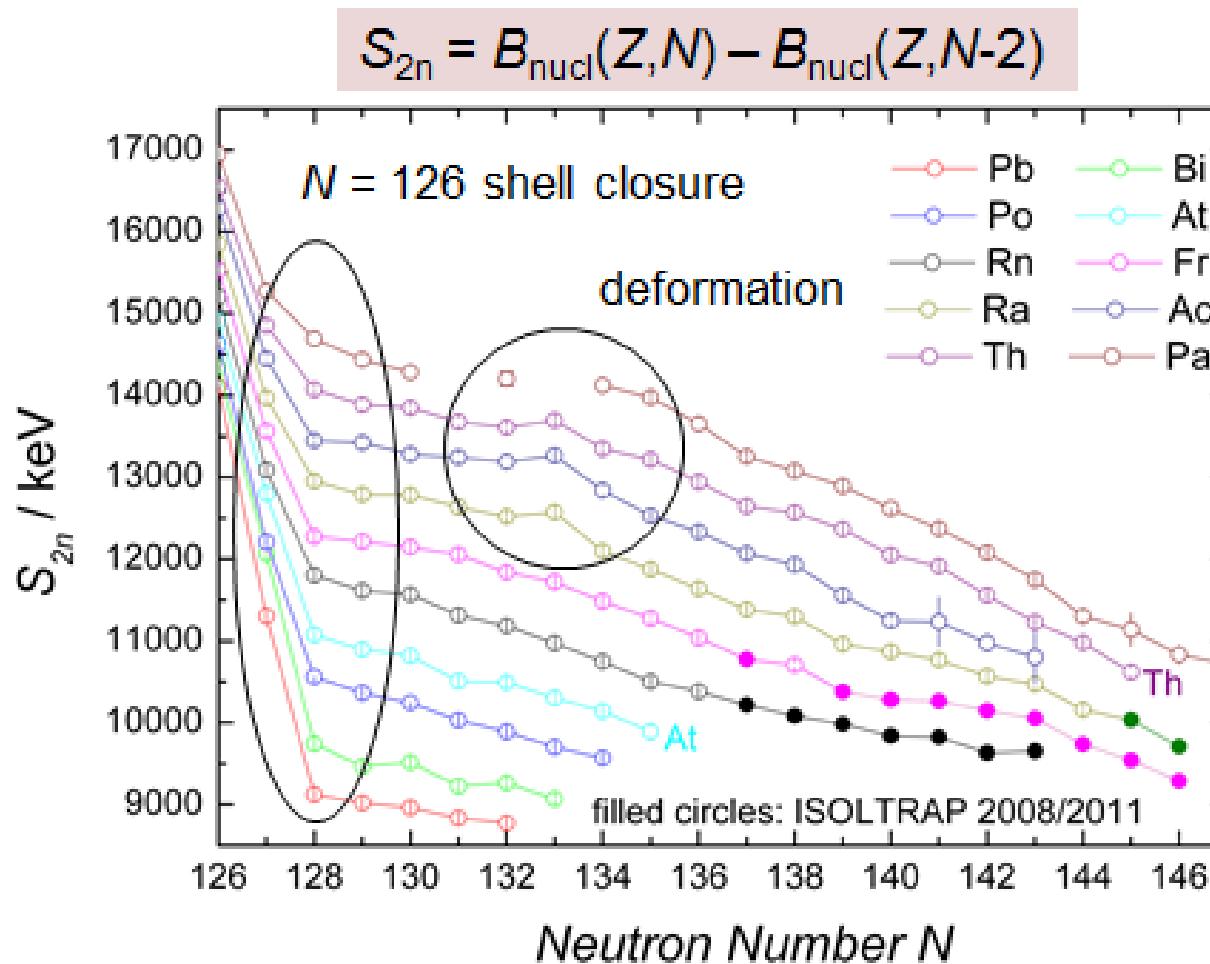


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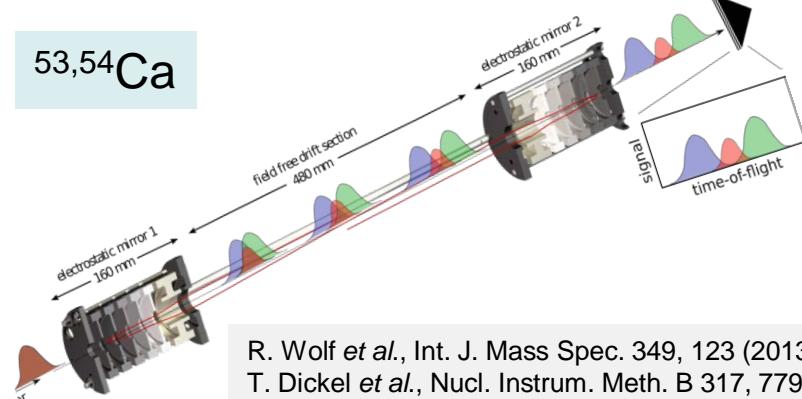
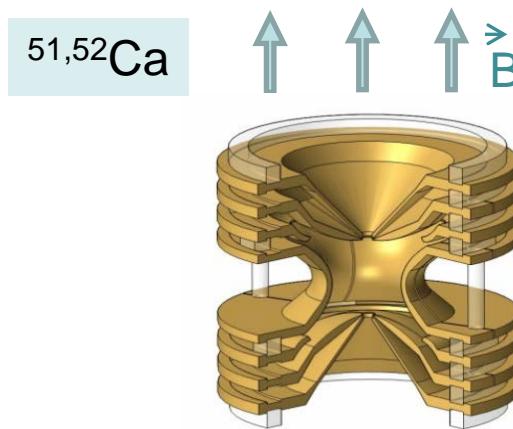
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 Z. Meisel et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 022501 (2015)

J. Papuga et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 172503 (2013)
 R.F. Casten et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 112501 (2014)
 M. Rosenbusch et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 202501 (2015)



Ca masses pin down nuclear forces

Multi-reflection time-of-flight and Penning-trap mass spectrometry

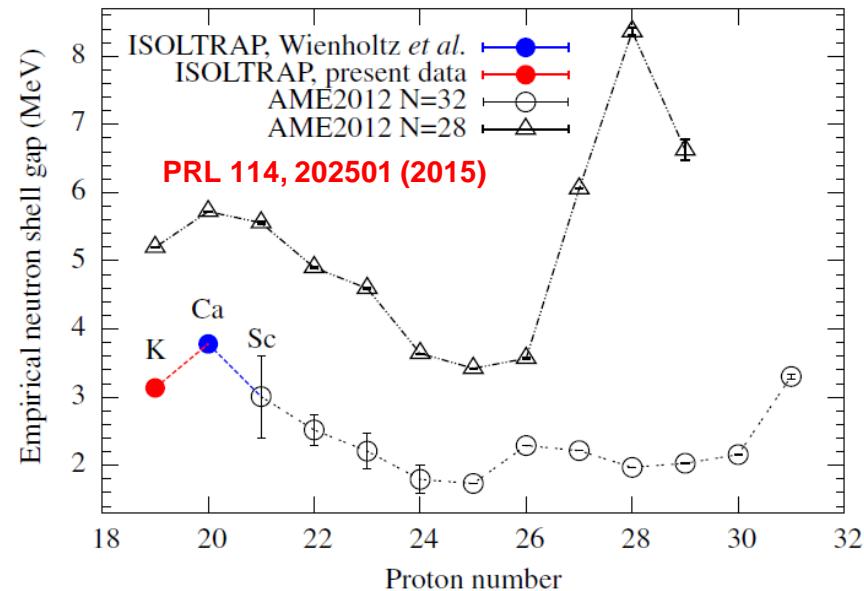


R. Wolf *et al.*, Int. J. Mass Spec. 349, 123 (2013)
T. Dickel *et al.*, Nucl. Instrum. Meth. B 317, 779 (2013)

- Production rates of ~ 10 ions/s
- Mass measurements via S_{2n} establish new magic number at $N = 32$
- Correct prediction from 3N-forces (A. Schwenk *et al.*, TUD)

F. Wienholtz *et al.*, Nature 498, 346 (2013)

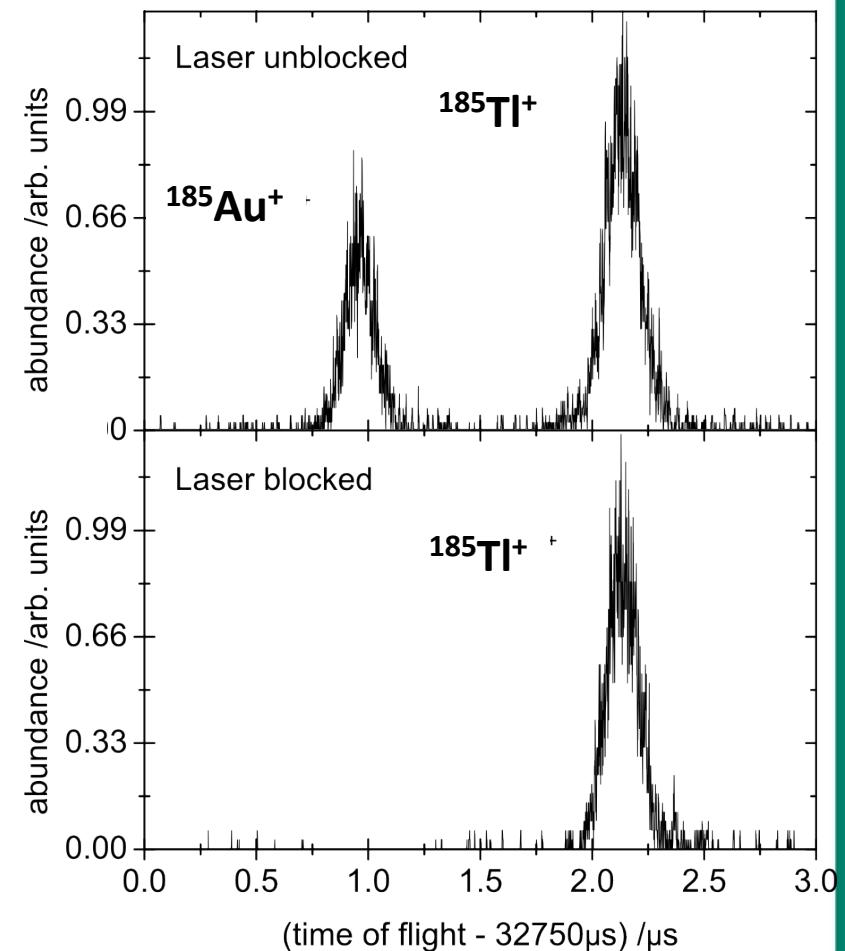
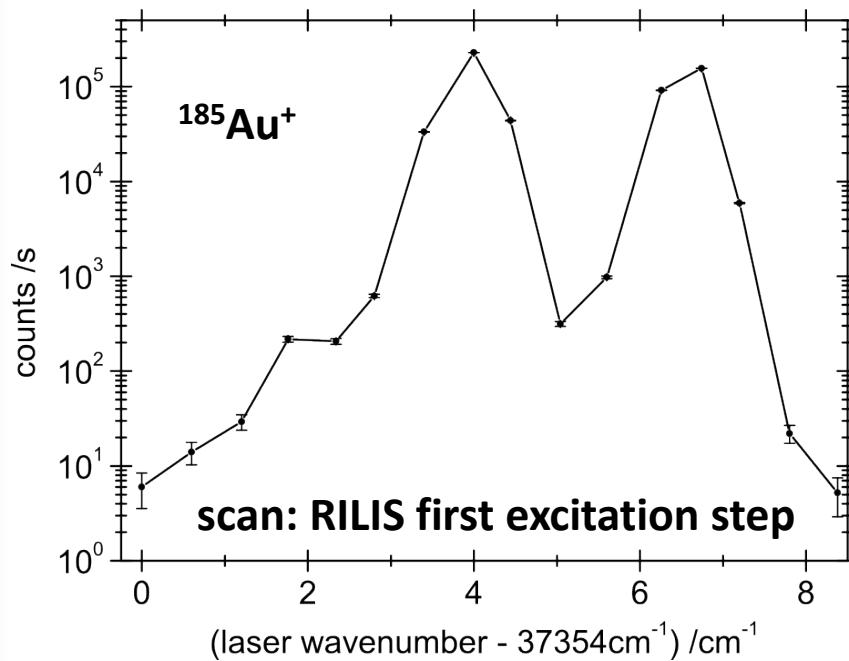
ISOLTRAP (CERN), TITAN (TRIUMF)



MR-ToF ion beam analysis

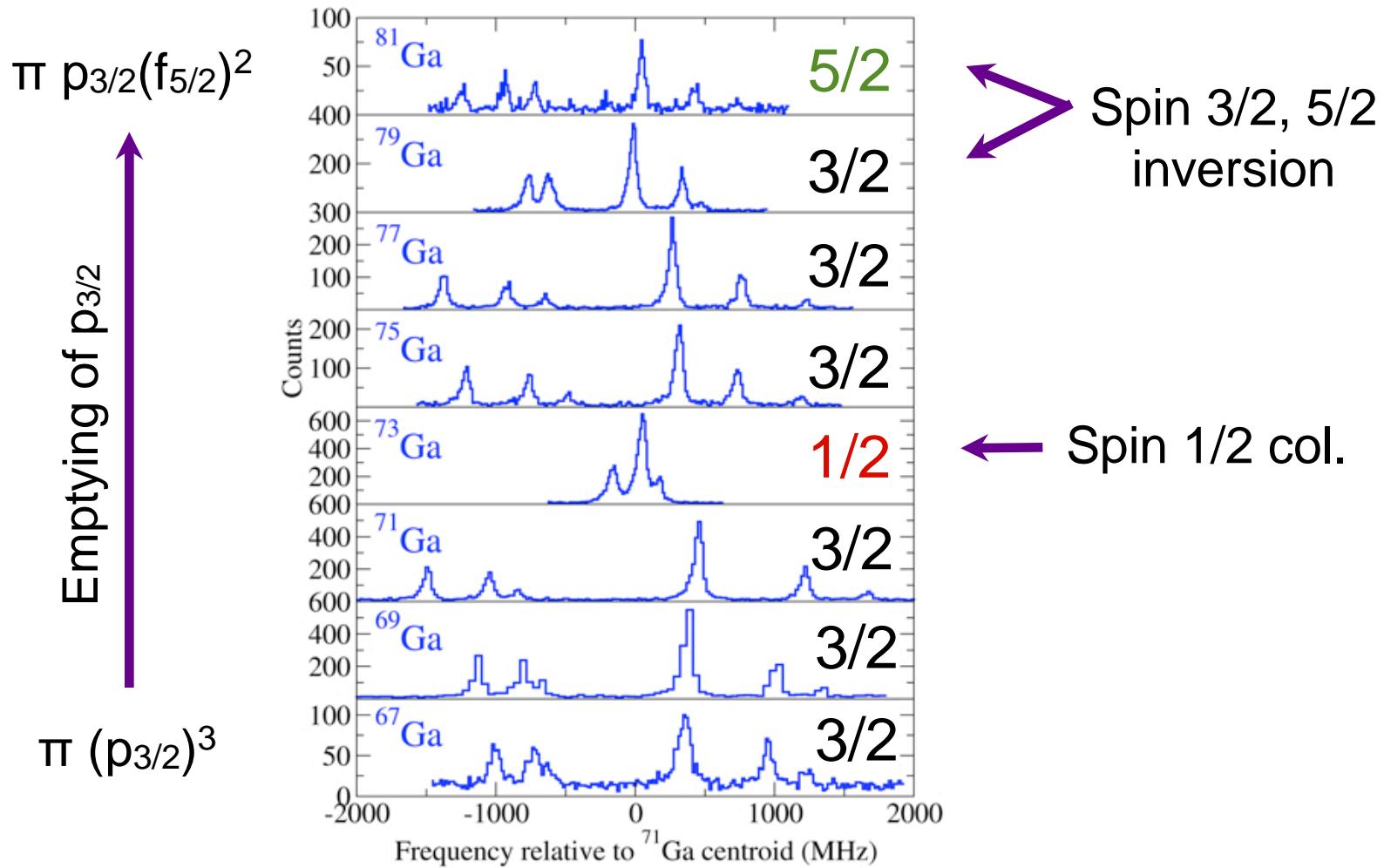
MR-ToF analyzer to investigate resonant laser ionization of radionuclides

- fast, high sensitivity to improve ioniz. eff.
- high dynamic range: 1-1e5 counts/s
- counts free from bg contamination
- provides isomerically pure beams



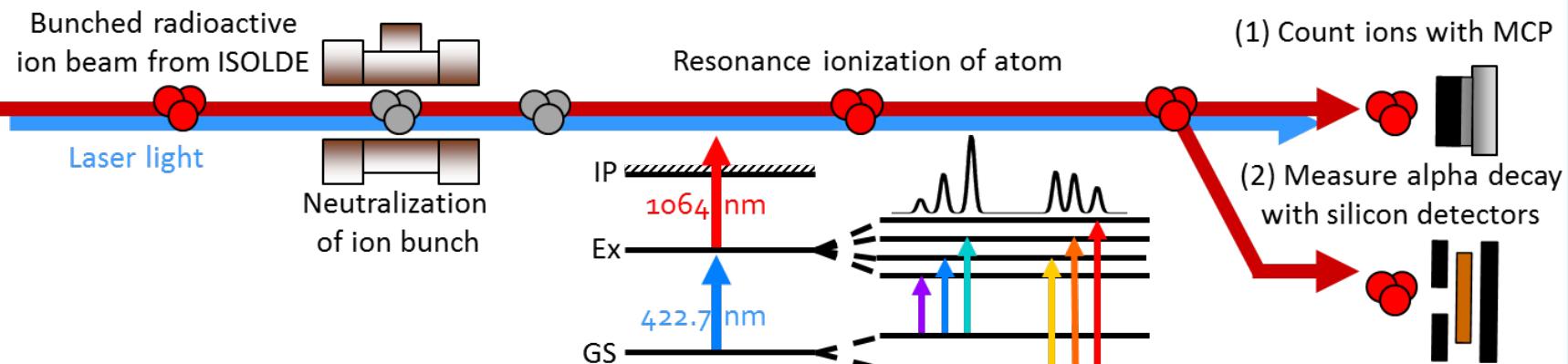


Isotope shifts in Cu, Ga and Cd

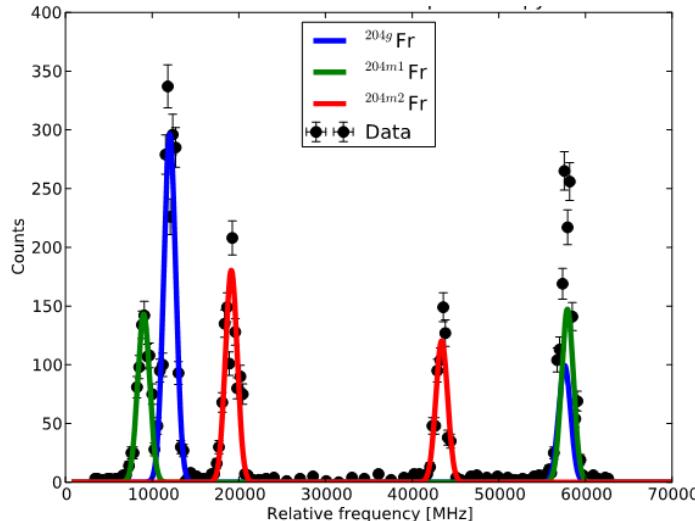


Sudden nuclear structure changes between $N=40$ and $N=50$

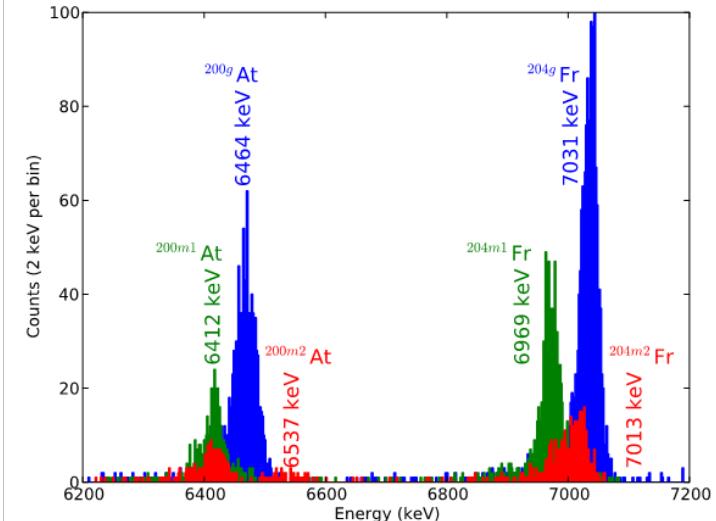
CRIS at $^{202-231}\text{Fr}$



(1) Study of the hyperfine structure with CRIS



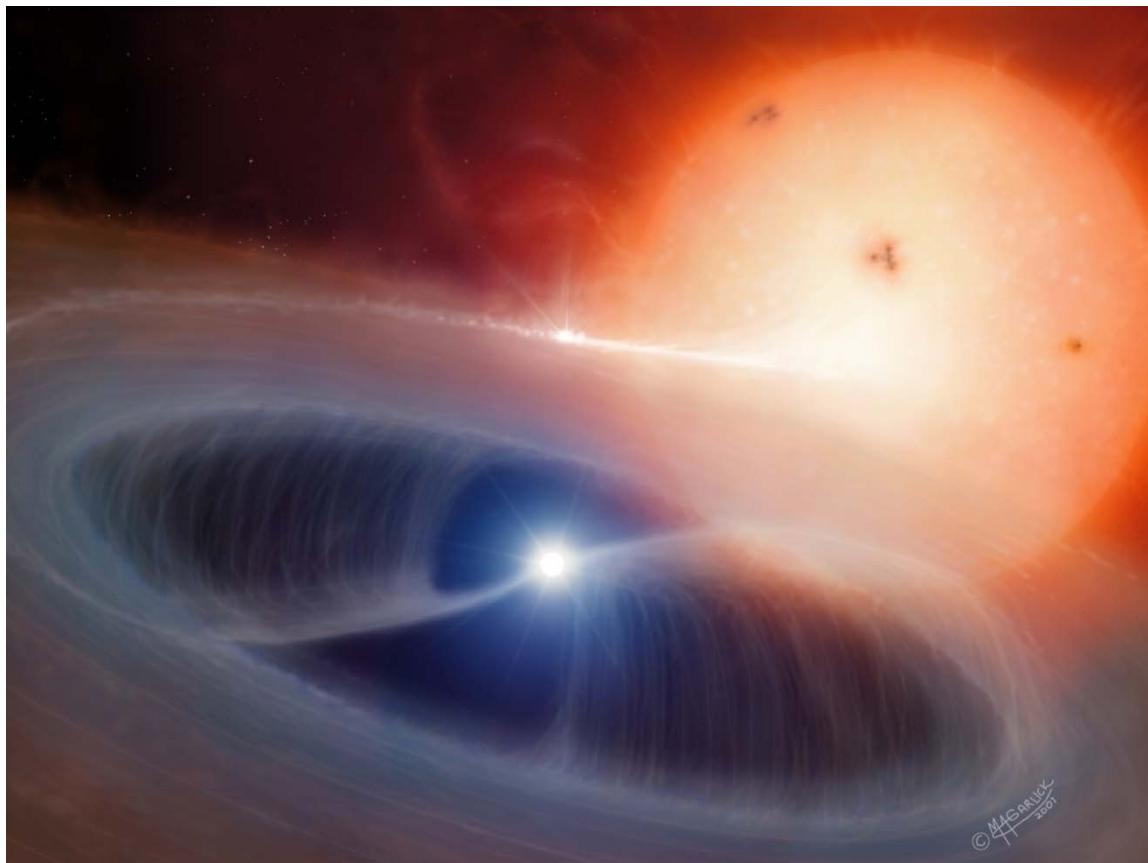
(2) Identification of nuclear states with the DSS





Masses

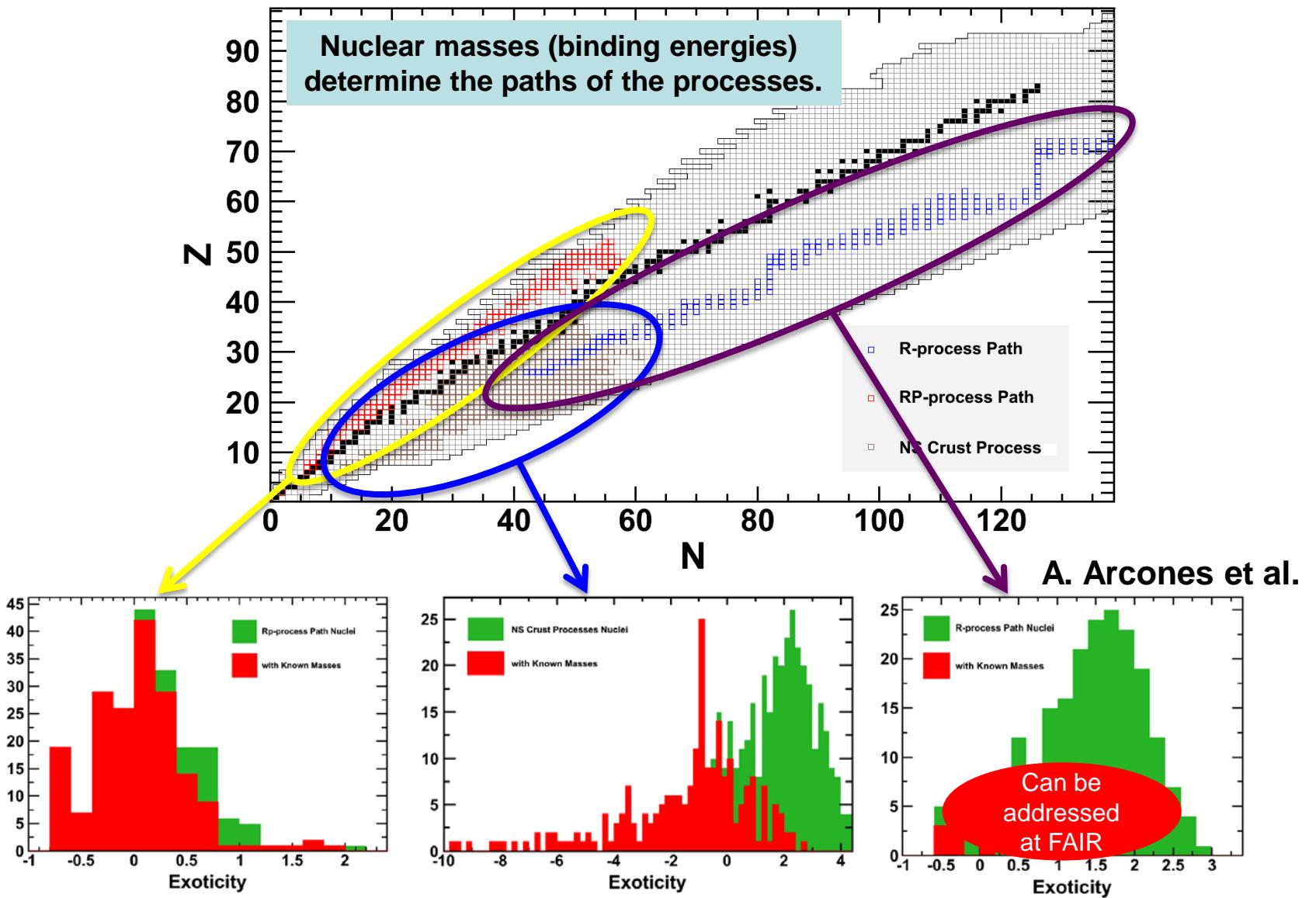
Nuclear astrophysics studies



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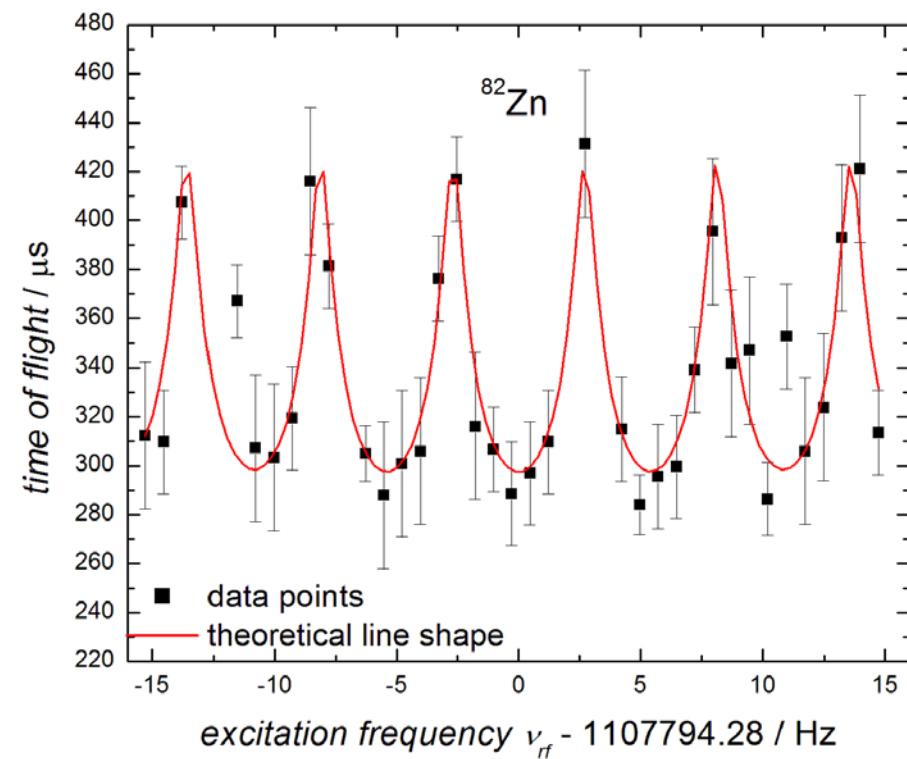
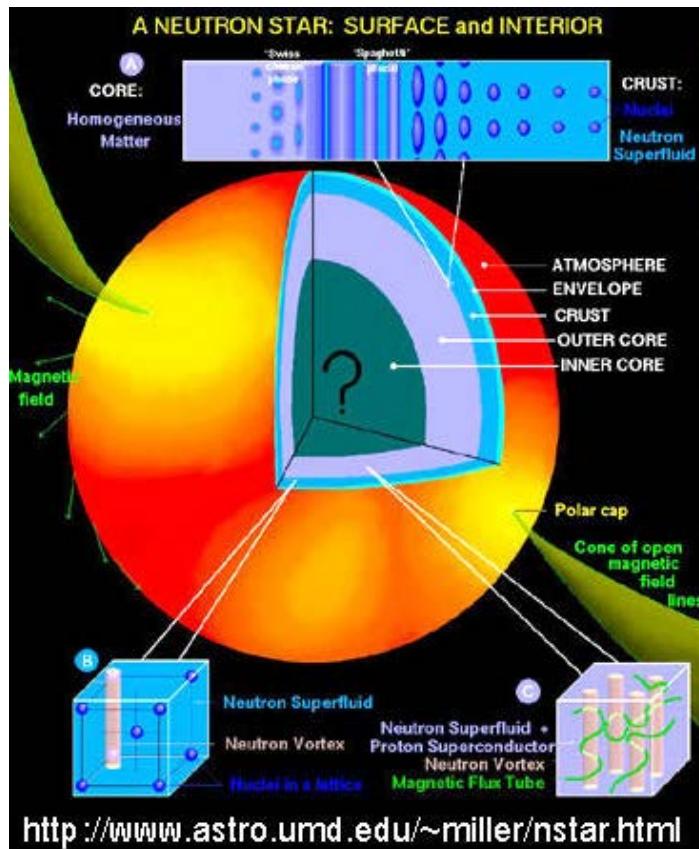
CPT, CSRe, ESR, ISOLTRAP, JYFLTRAP, LEBIT, SHIPTRAP, TITAN

Mass spectrometry for nucleosynthesis



Nuclear astrophysics

Composition of the outer crust of a neutron star

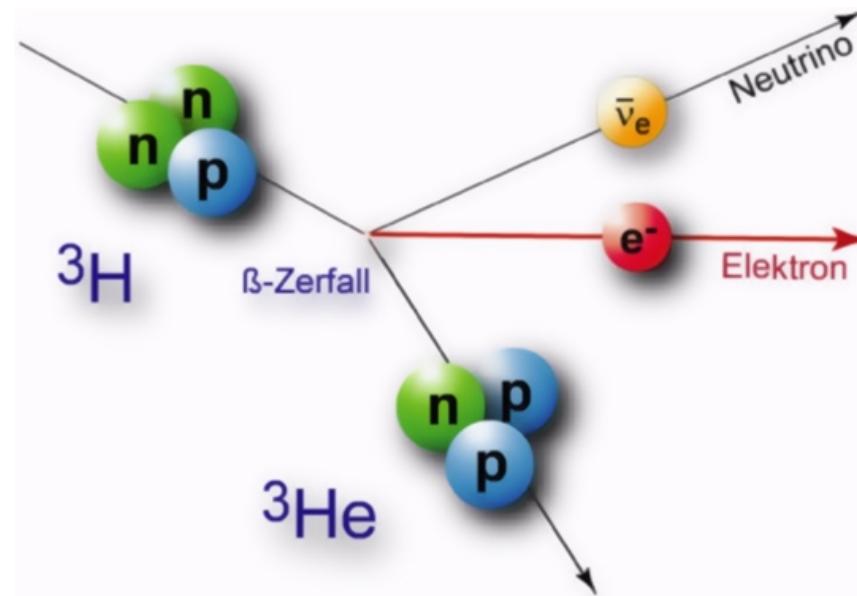


80 ions in 35 minutes!
 $\delta m/m = 4 \cdot 10^{-8}$



Towards highest precision

Nuclear masses for fundamental studies

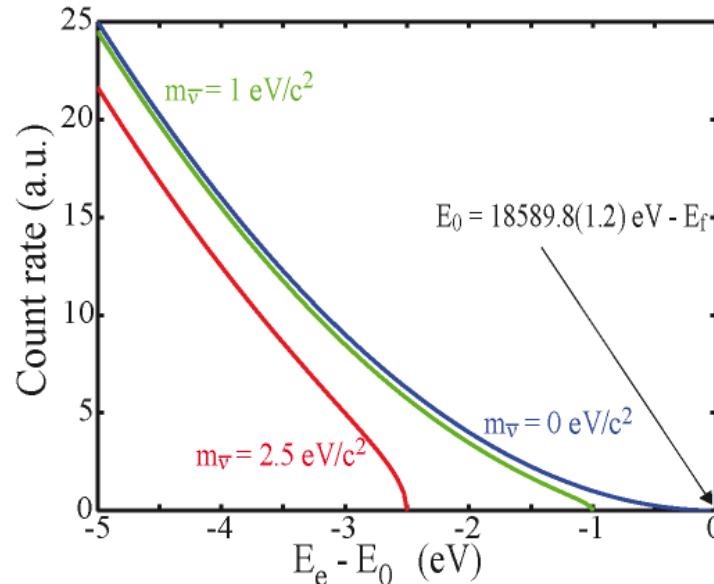


FSU, ISOLTRAP, JYFLTRAP, SHIPTRAP, THe-TRAP, TRIGATRAP



THe-TRAP for KATRIN

A high-precision $Q(^3\text{T}-^3\text{He})$ -value measurement



$Q_{lit} = 18\ 592.01(7)\ \text{eV}$ [E. Myers, PRL (2015)]

We aim for: $\delta Q(^3\text{T} \rightarrow ^3\text{He}) = 20\ \text{meV}$
 $\delta m/m = 7 \cdot 10^{-12}$

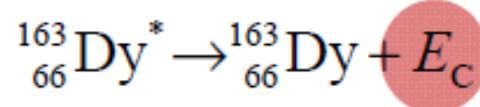
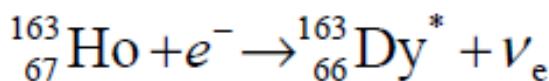


$\Delta T < 0.2\ \text{K/d}$ at 24°C

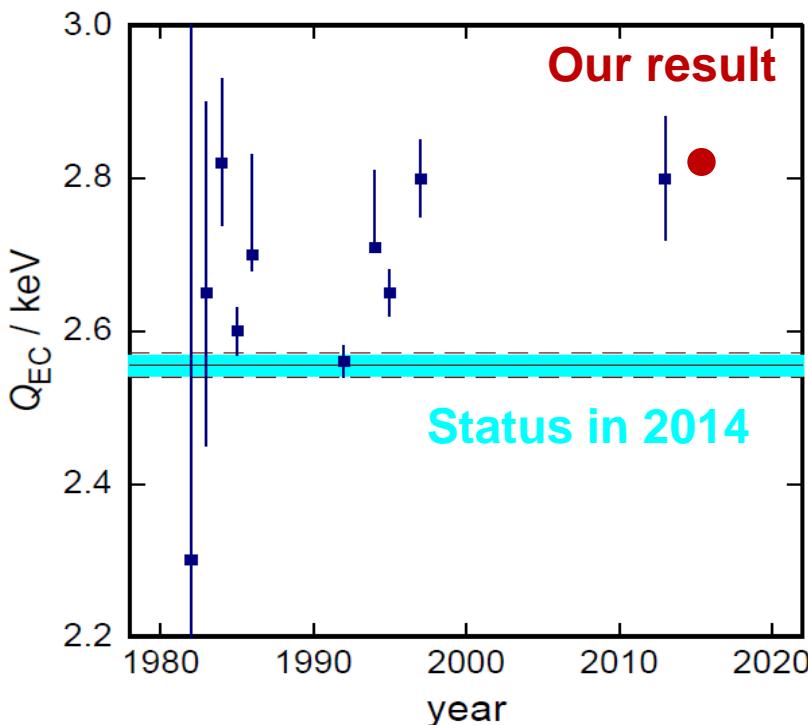
$\Delta B/B < 100\ \text{ppt/h}$ $\Delta x \leq 0.1\ \mu\text{m}$

First $^{12}\text{C}^{4+}/^{16}\text{O}^{6+}$ mass ratio measurement at $\delta m/m = 1.4 \cdot 10^{-11}$ performed.

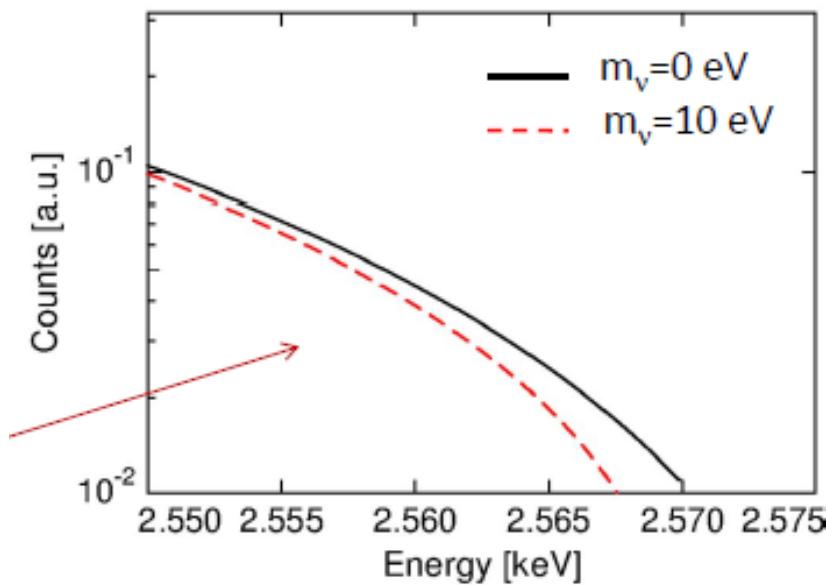
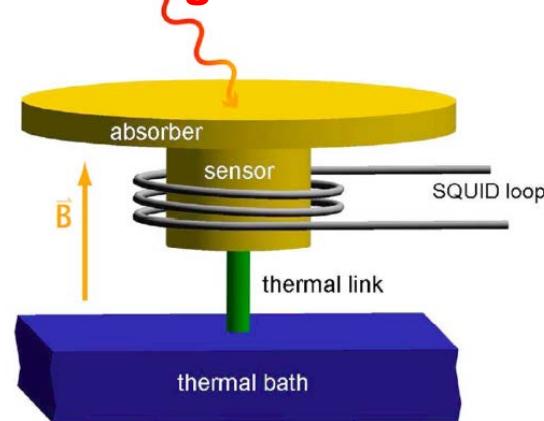
The ECHo (^{163}Ho) project



Q-value of EC in ^{163}Ho



Metallic Magnetic Calorimetry





Summary

Breath-taking results in the precise determination of nuclear ground-state properties using atomic physics techniques have been achieved!

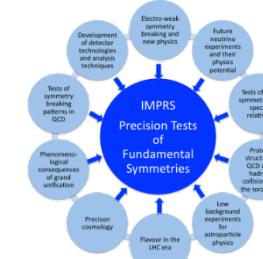
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