

Beam-gas collisions at SPS and LHC

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The main research topic -
Physics of Highly Charged Ions:

1. **X-ray and VUV spectra of HCl**
2. **Electronic and atomic collisions**
3. **Charge-exchange processes and isotopic effects in cold plasmas**
4. **Diagnostics of laser-produced plasmas**
5. **Interaction of fast heavy ions with gases, solids and plasmas**
6. **Dynamics of charge-state fractions in accelerators and storage rings**

and others

MAIN COMPUTER CODES:

- n **ATOM** (L.A.Vainshtein: 1955) - interaction with electrons and photons
- n **CAPTURE** (I.Tolstikhina, V.Shevelko: 2000) – capture processes
- n **ARSENY** (E.Soloviev: 2001) - capture and ionization at very low energies
- n **FAC** (M.F.Gu: 2003) – interaction with electrons and photons
- n **CDW** (D. Belkic: 2005) – capture processes at low and intermediate energies
- n **DEPOSIT** (M.Litsarev, V.Shevelko: 2008 - 2010) - multiple-electron ionization of heavy ions at low and intermediate energies
- n **RICODE-M** (I.Tolstikhina, I.Tupitsyn, V.Shevelko, S.N. Andreev: 2016) – relativistic ionization with relativistic w.f. and interaction
- n **BREIT** (N. Winckler, A. Rybalchenko, V. Shevelko, M. Al-Turany, T. Kollegger, Th. Stöhlker: 2017) - charge-state fractions of heavy-ion beams in matter

INTERACTION OF FAST HEAVY IONS WITH MATTER

1. **Heavy ions:** Ar, Xe, Bi, Au, U at energies $E > 1$ MeV/u
Superheavy ions up to $Z = 120$ (!).
2. **Atomic physics approach:** based on knowledge of atomic charge-changing **cross sections** and balance rate equations for charge-state fractions.
3. **Main interests:**
 1. Ion beam lifetime and vacuum conditions
 2. **Dynamics** of charge-state fractions as a function of the target thickness.

Main charge-changing processes in gas/solid targets:

1. multiple-electron ionization of projectiles (loss EL):



2. multiple-electron non-radiative capture (NRC):



3. single-electron radiative capture (REC):



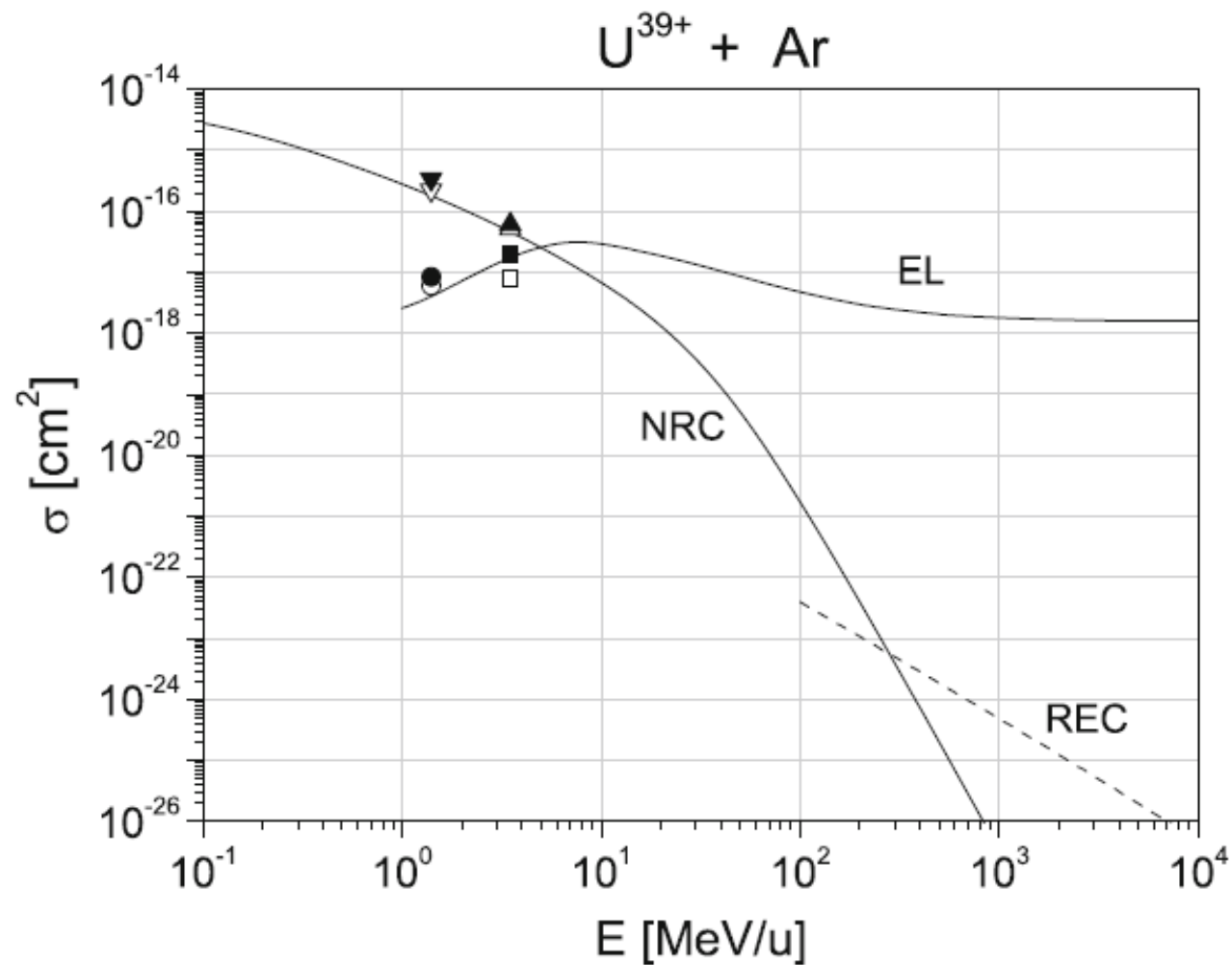
$$\sigma_{TOT}(EC) = \sigma(NRC) + \sigma(REC)$$

Asymptotic behavior of
EL and EC cross sections
in fast non-relativistic collisions:

$$S_{EL} \sim Z_T^2 \ln E / (q^2 E)$$

$$S_{NRC} \sim q^5 Z_T^5 / E^{5.5}$$

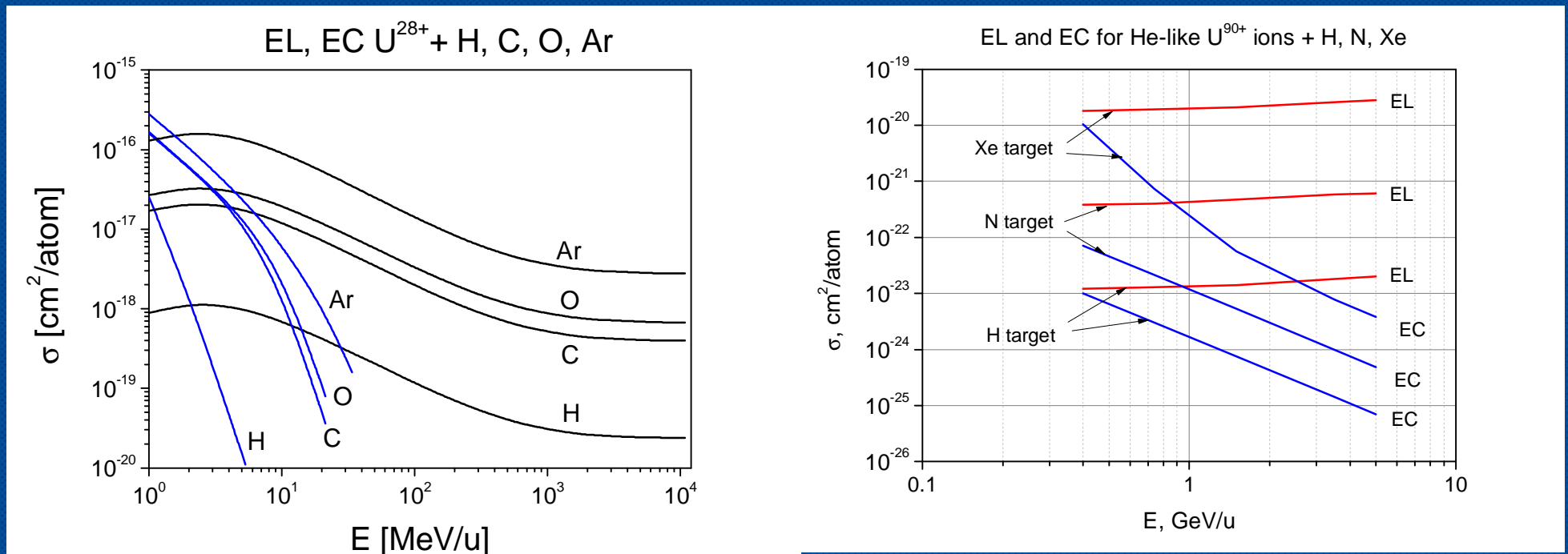
$$S_{REC} \sim q^4 Z_T / E^2$$



Exp.: GSI, Darmstadt and Texas University
Theory: VPS et al., NIMB 269 (2011) 1455

Relativistic collisions

At relativistic energies only **single-electron loss processes** play a role because **electron-capture** cross sections decrease very rapidly.



RELATIVISTIC EL CROSS SECTIONS

$$M_{fi} = \langle f | (1 - \beta \alpha_z) e^{i\mathbf{q}\mathbf{r}} | i \rangle,$$

$$\beta \alpha_z \sim \frac{v}{c} \frac{\langle p_e \rangle}{m_e c} \sim \frac{v}{c} \frac{v_e}{c}$$

The influence of magnetic interaction is very large if both the ion velocity v and projectile-electron velocity v_e are close to the speed of light c .

$S_{EL} \sim \text{const} \sim Z_T^2 I_P^{-0.0q}$ by neutrals (semi-empirical estimate)

$S_{EL} \sim Z_i^2 \ln g$ by ions, g – the relativistic Lorentz factor

$S_{EC} \ll S_{EL}$ (very important!)

The RICODE-M code for calculation single-electron relativistic EL cross sections

$$X^{q+}(nl, N_{nl}, I_{nl}) + A \rightarrow X^{(q+1)+} + A + e^-(\varepsilon, \lambda)$$

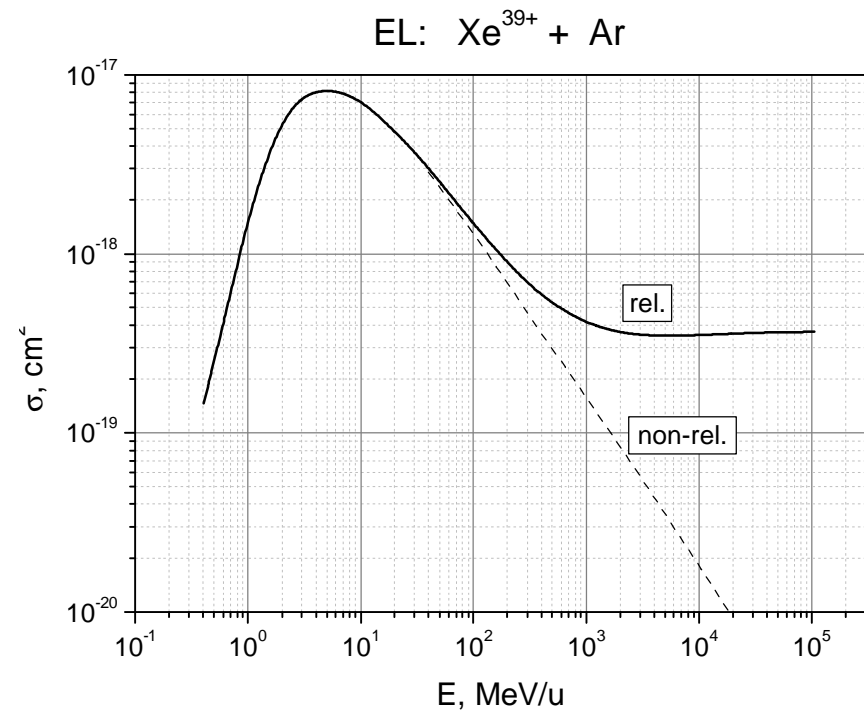
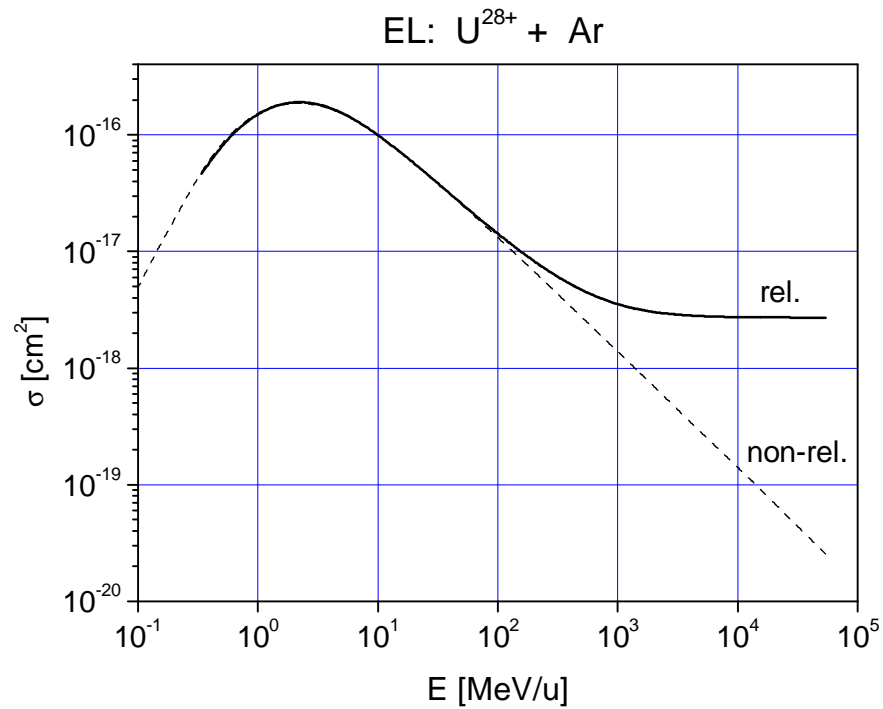
$$\sigma_{\text{ion}}(v) = \frac{8\pi}{(\beta c)^2} \sum_{nl} N_{nl} \sum_{\lambda} \int_0^{\infty} d\varepsilon \int_{Q_0}^{\infty} \frac{dQ}{Q^3} \left[Z_T^2(Q) F_{nl}^2(Q) + Z_T^2(Q') \frac{\beta^2 (1 - Q_0^2/Q^2)}{(1 - \beta^2 Q_0^2/Q^2)^2} G_{nl}^2(Q) \right]$$

$$Q_0 = \frac{I_{nl} + \varepsilon}{v}, \quad Q' = \sqrt{Q^2 - \beta^2 Q_0^2}$$

$F_{nl}(Q)$: 'usual' Born form-factor, Q : momentum transfer

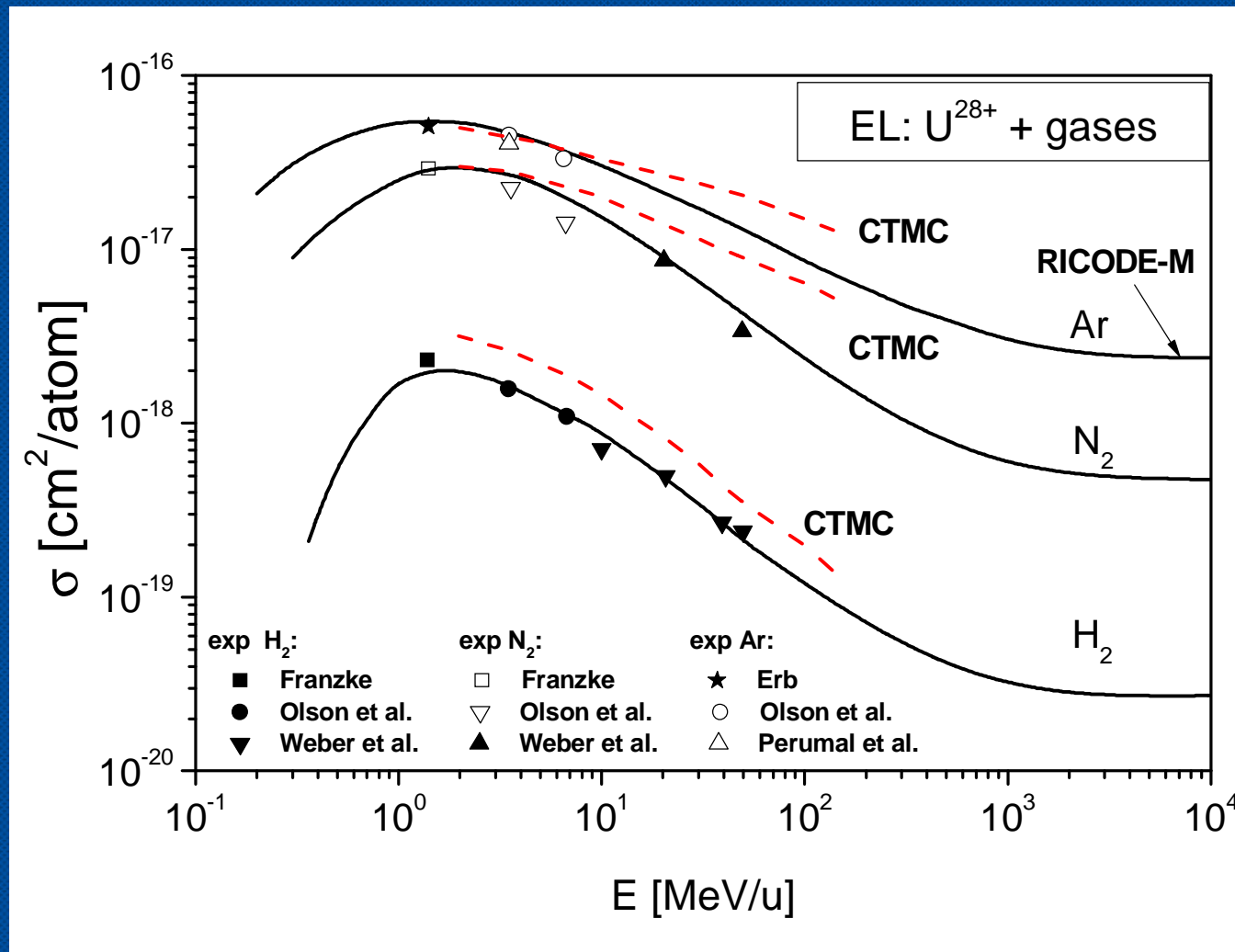
RICODE-M: I. Tolstikhina et al., JETP, 1 (2014) 5

Influence of relativistic effects on EL cross sections



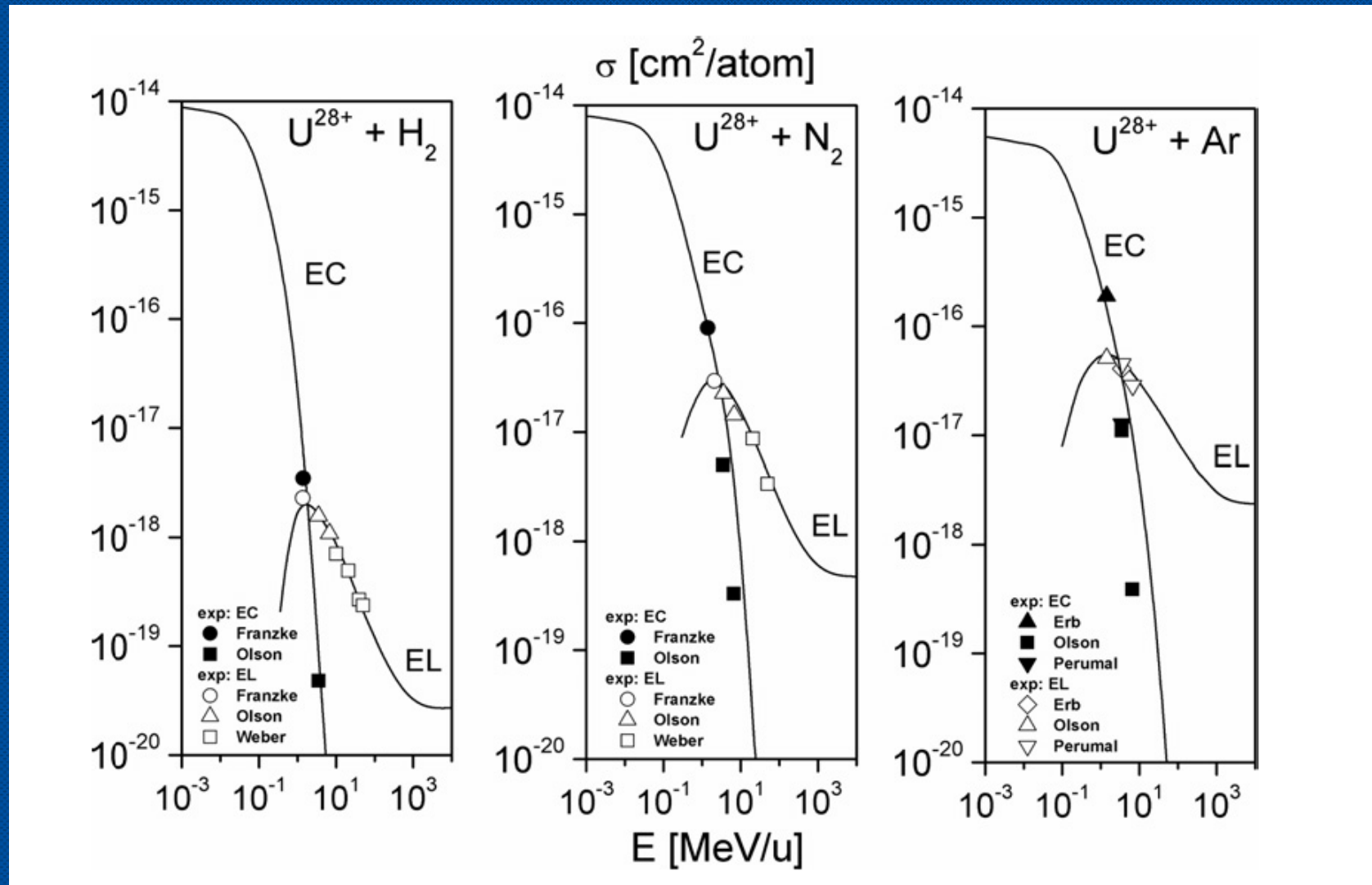
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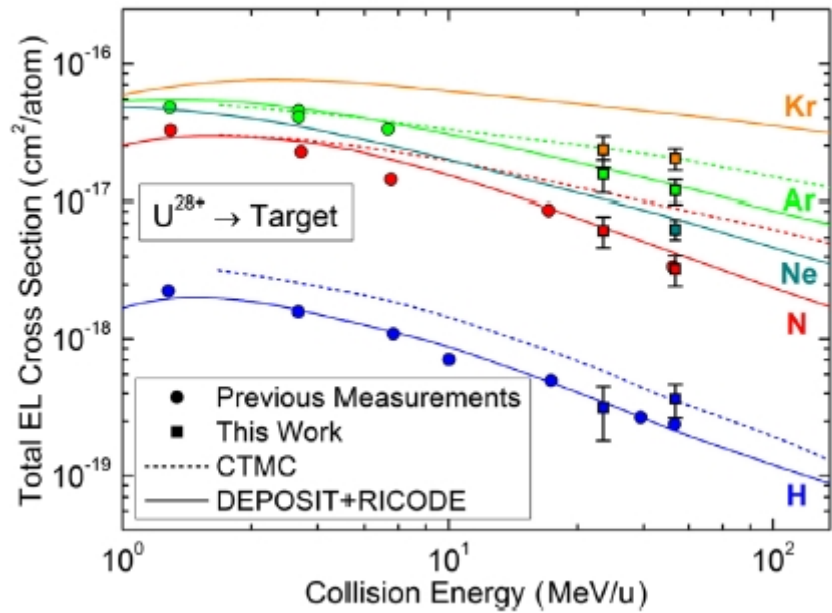


For molecular targets, the Bragg's additivity rule is used, e.g., $\sigma(H_2) = 2\sigma(H)$.

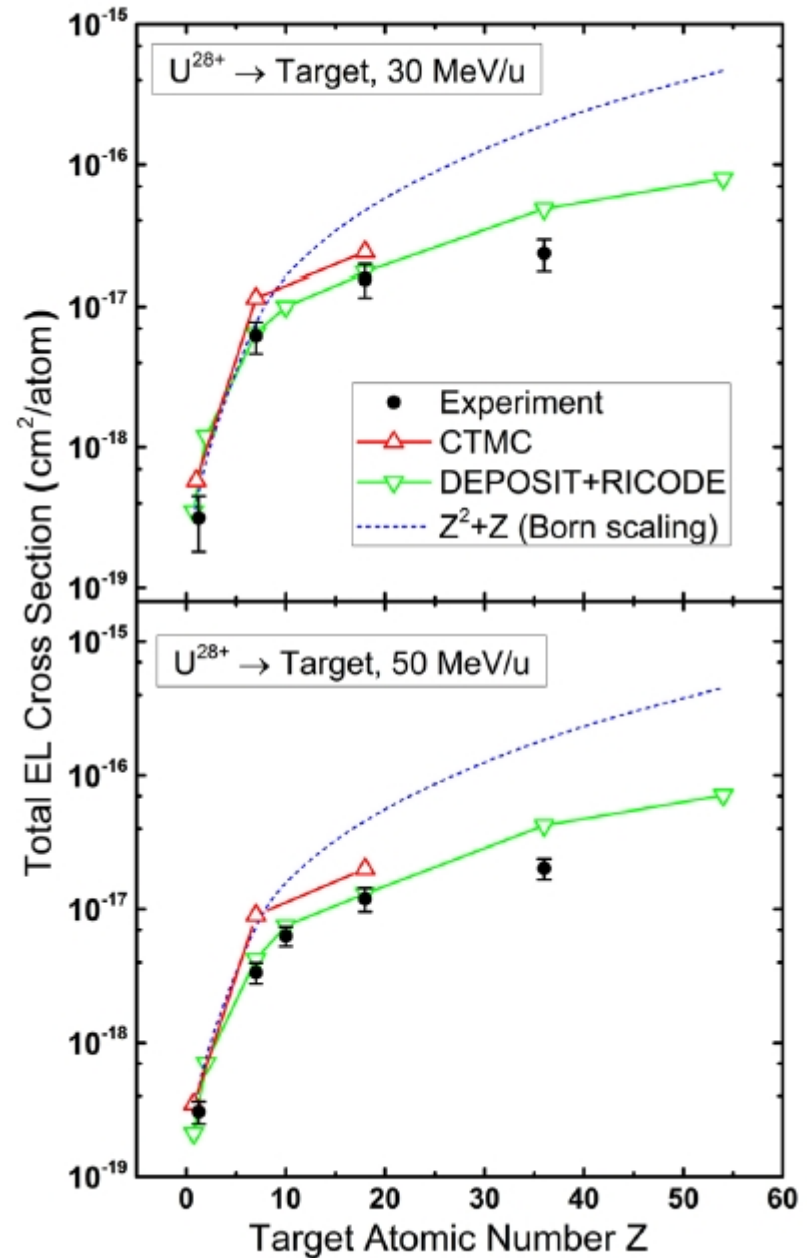
Recommended charge-changing cross sections



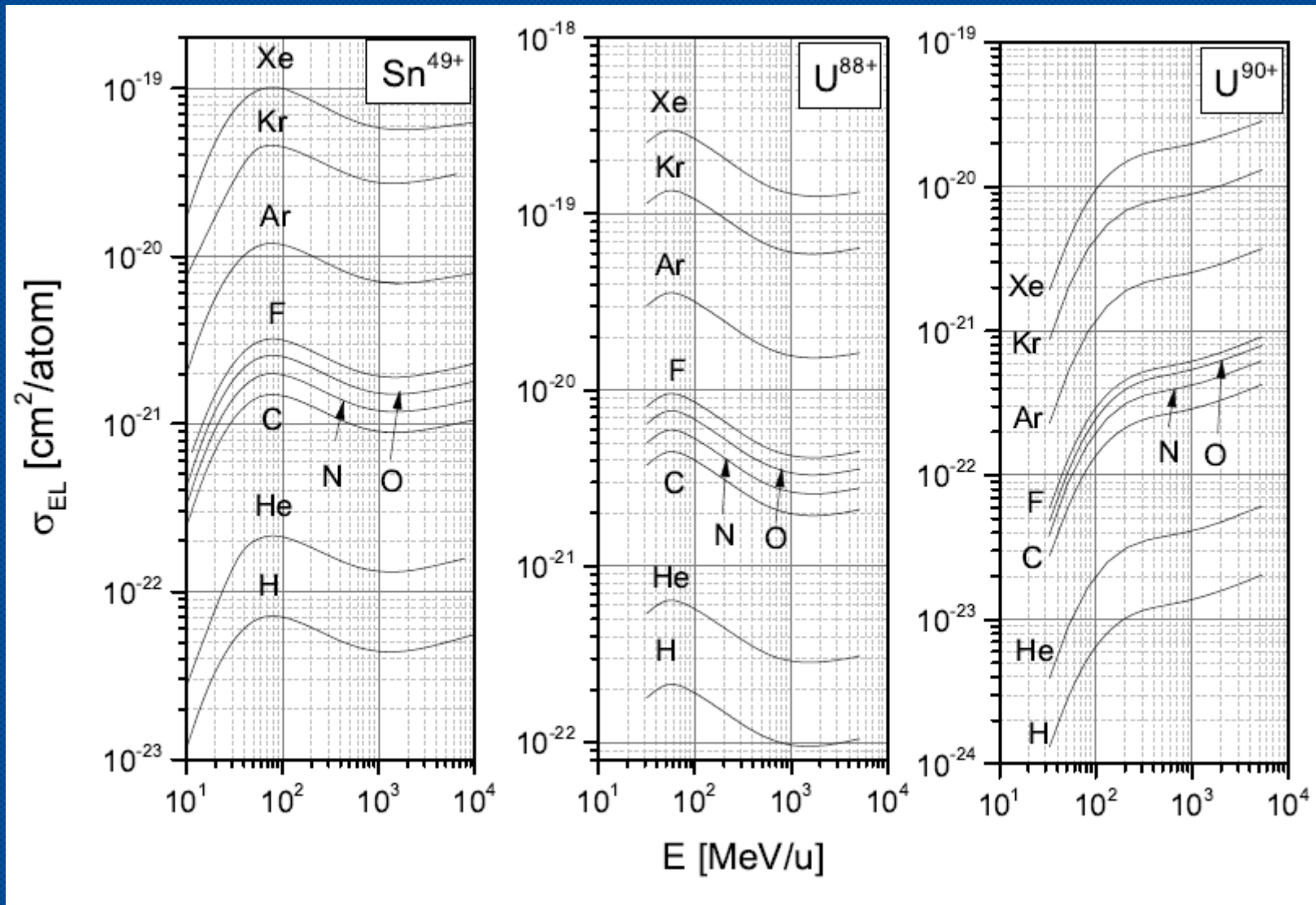
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G. Weber et al. 2015



LOSS cross sections for HESR/GSI project



Ion-beam lifetimes due to interaction with the rest gas.

$$I(t) = I_0(t) \cdot e^{-t/t_0}$$

$$t_0 [s] = \left[rbc \sum_T [Y_T s_{EC} + Y_T s_{EL}] \right]^{-1}$$

$v_{ion} = \beta c$, relativistic ion velocity in cm/s
 c speed of light, $\sim 3 \times 10^{10}$ cm/s
 s_{EC} and s_{EL} charge-changing cross sections

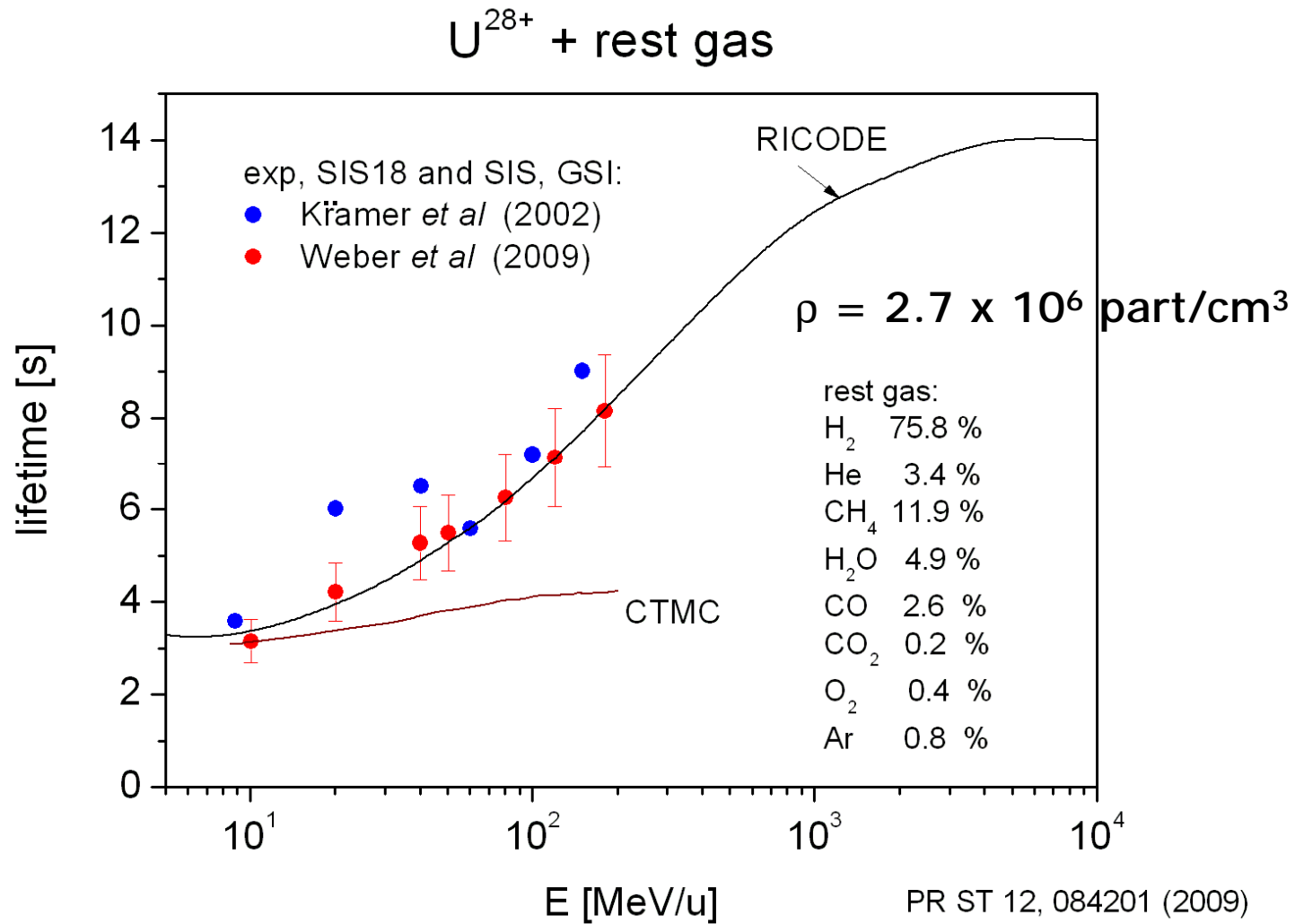
Vacuum conditions:

rest-gas density, part/cm^{-3}

Y_T rest-gas fractions:

$$\sum_T Y_T = 1$$

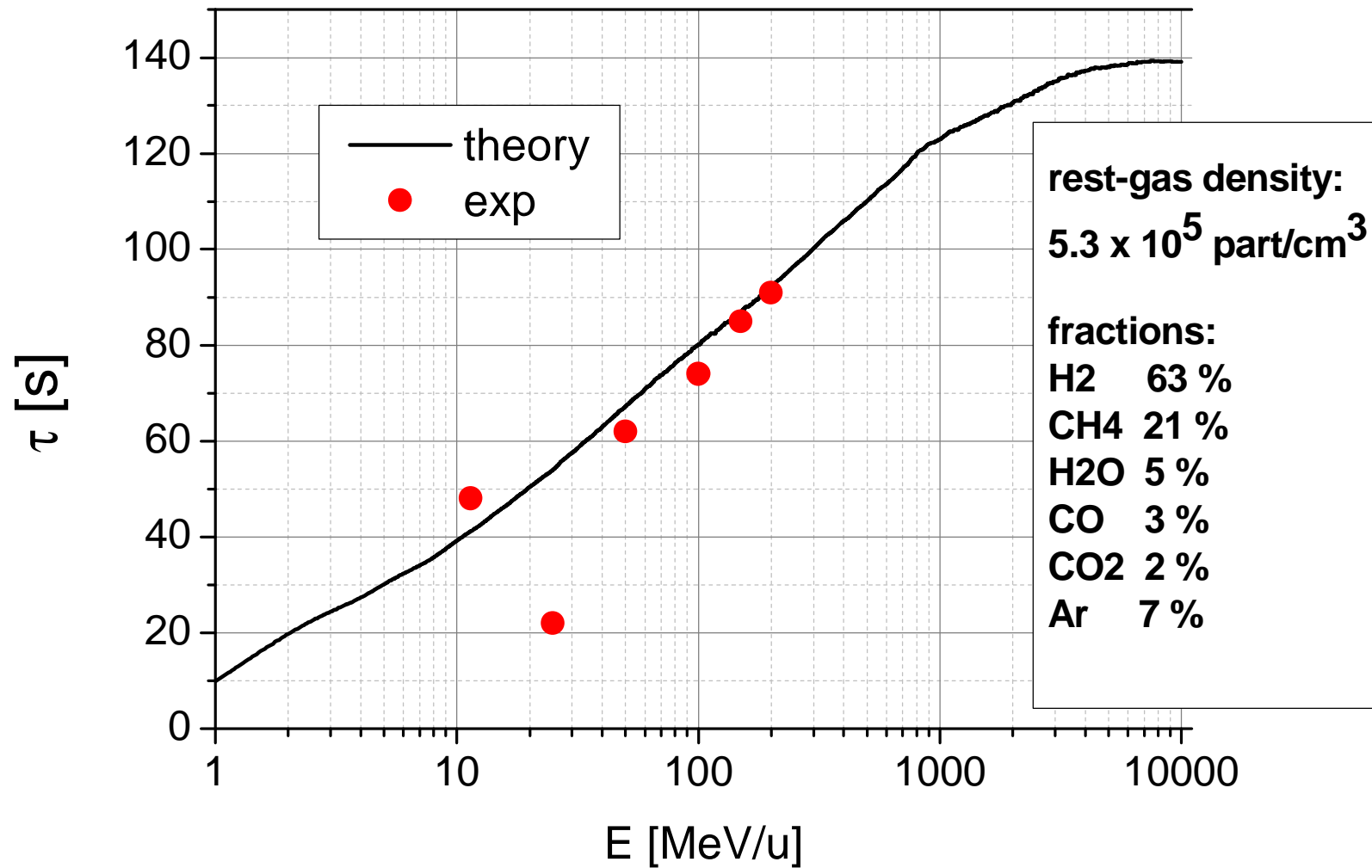
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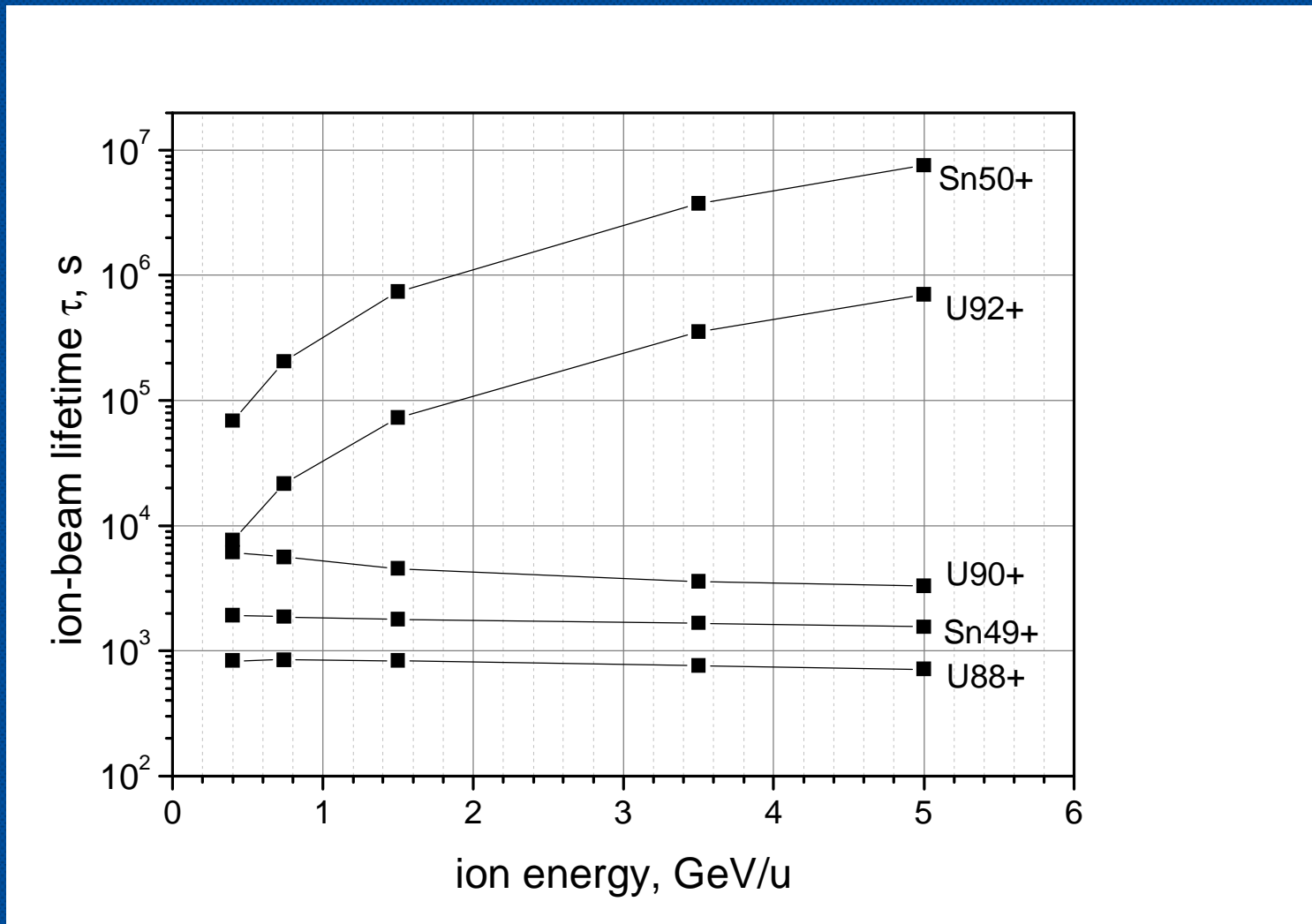
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U^{28+} beam lifetime at SIS18/GSI, 2016



Ion-beam lifetimes for HESR/GSI project



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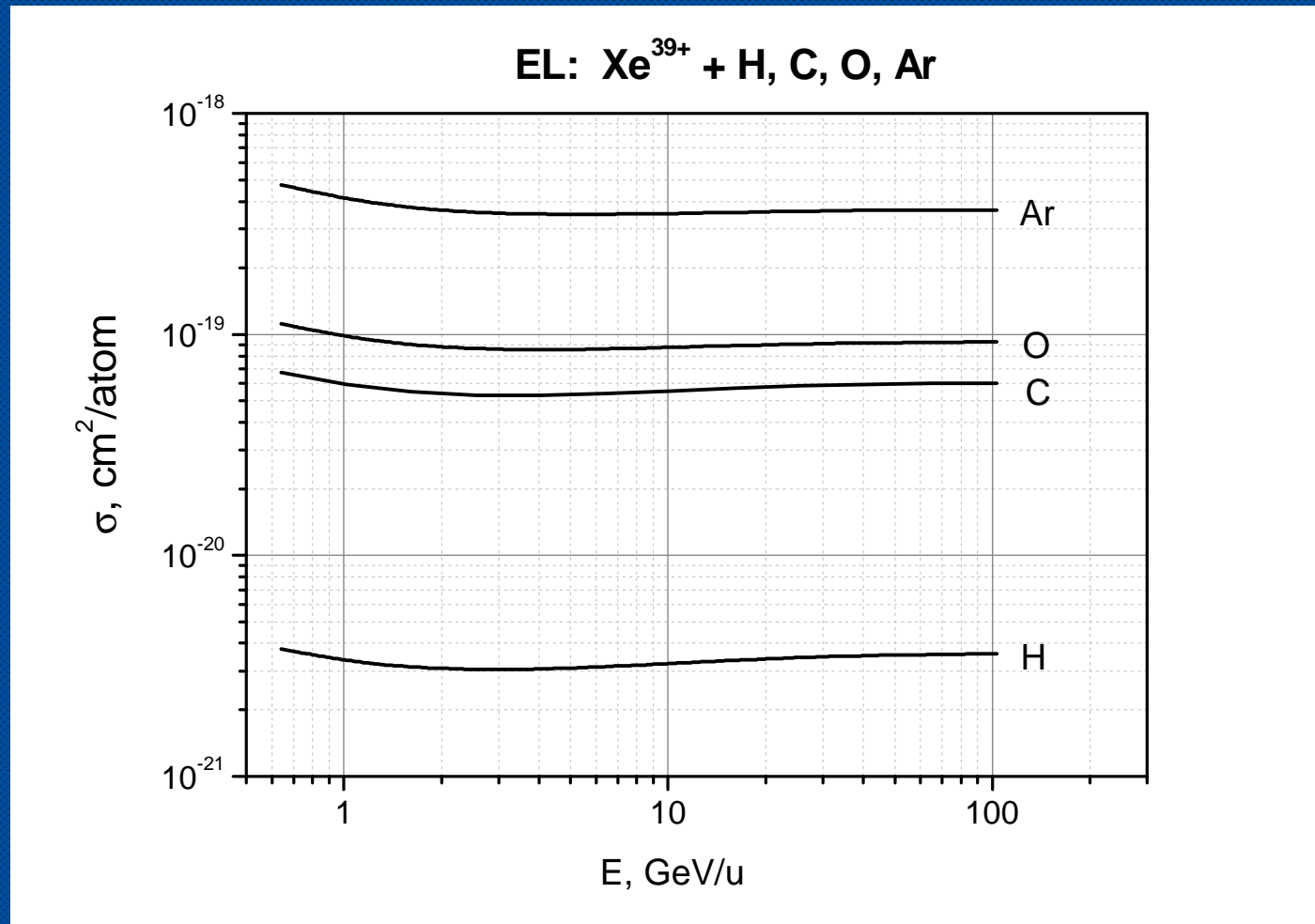
The rest-gas fractions used for HESR/GSI project

Atom, molecule	Concentration	Atom, molecule	Concentration
H	0.223	O ₂	0.0773
H ₂	0.188	CO	0.00208
HO	0.0437	CO ₂	0.0229
H ₂ O	0.0833	CO/N ₂	0.0583
C	0.0385	F	0.0229
N	0.0219	Ar	0.00106
O	0.216	Xe	0.00106

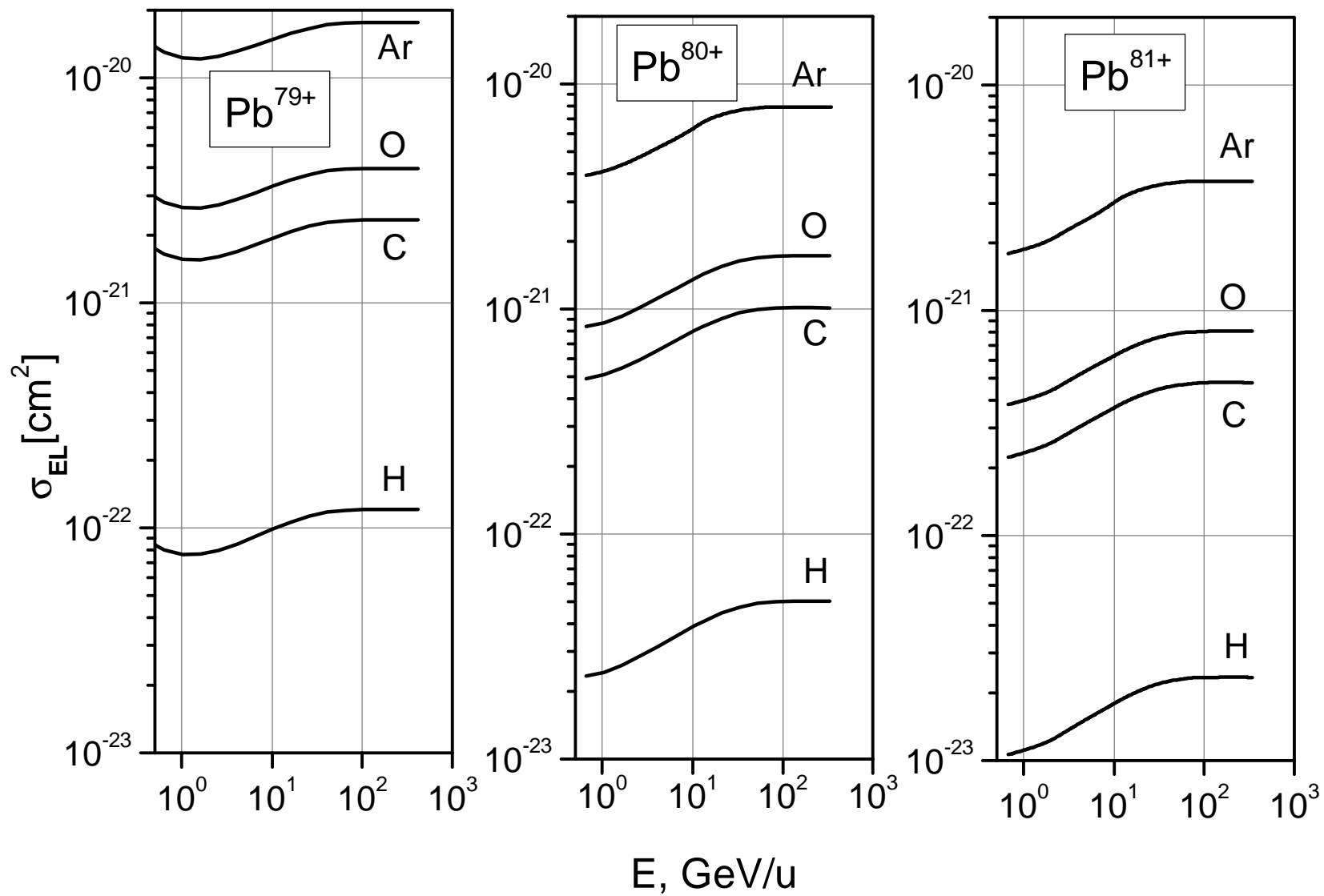
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Calculations for the GF project

EL cross sections for Xe and Pb ions

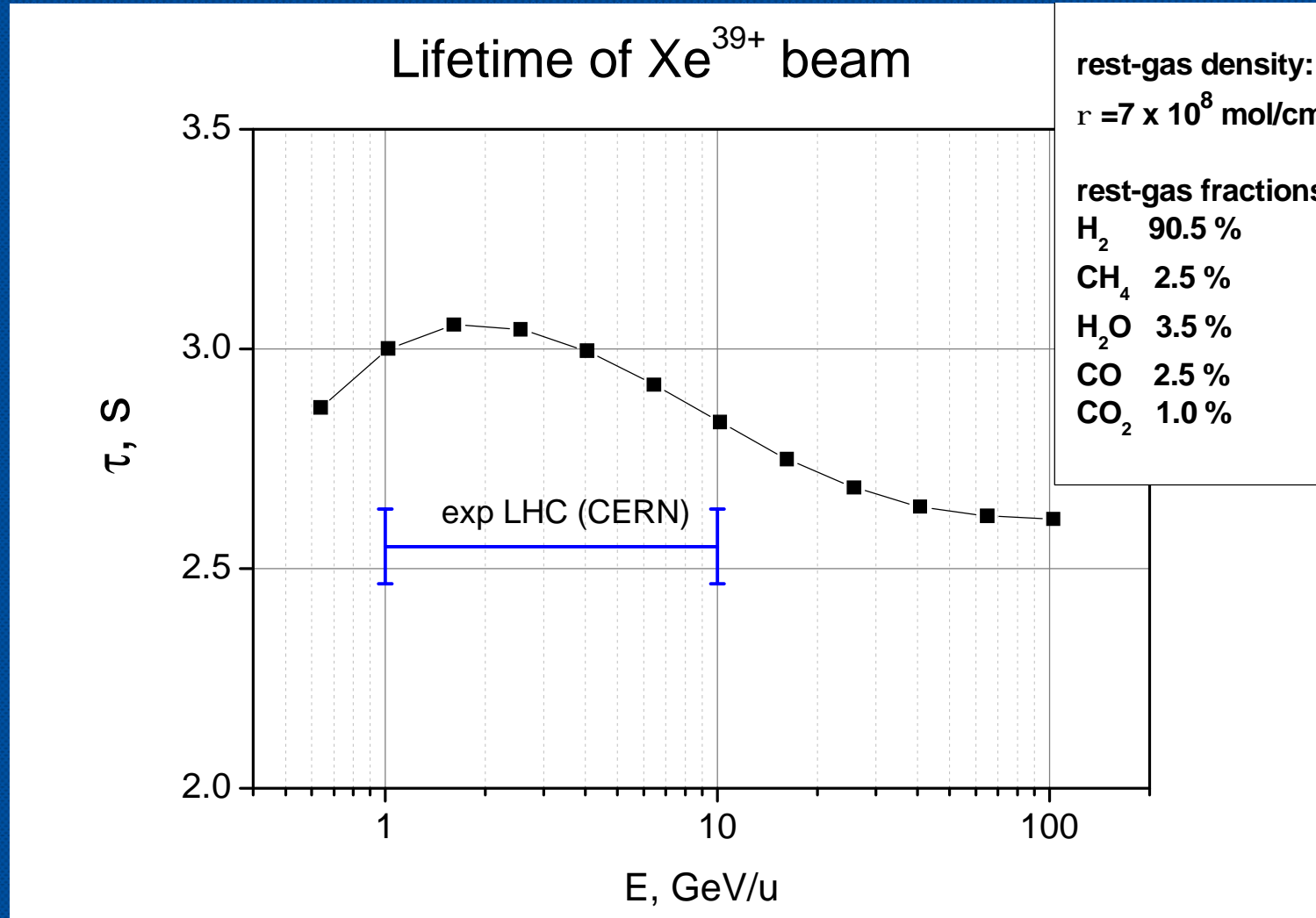


RICODE-M code



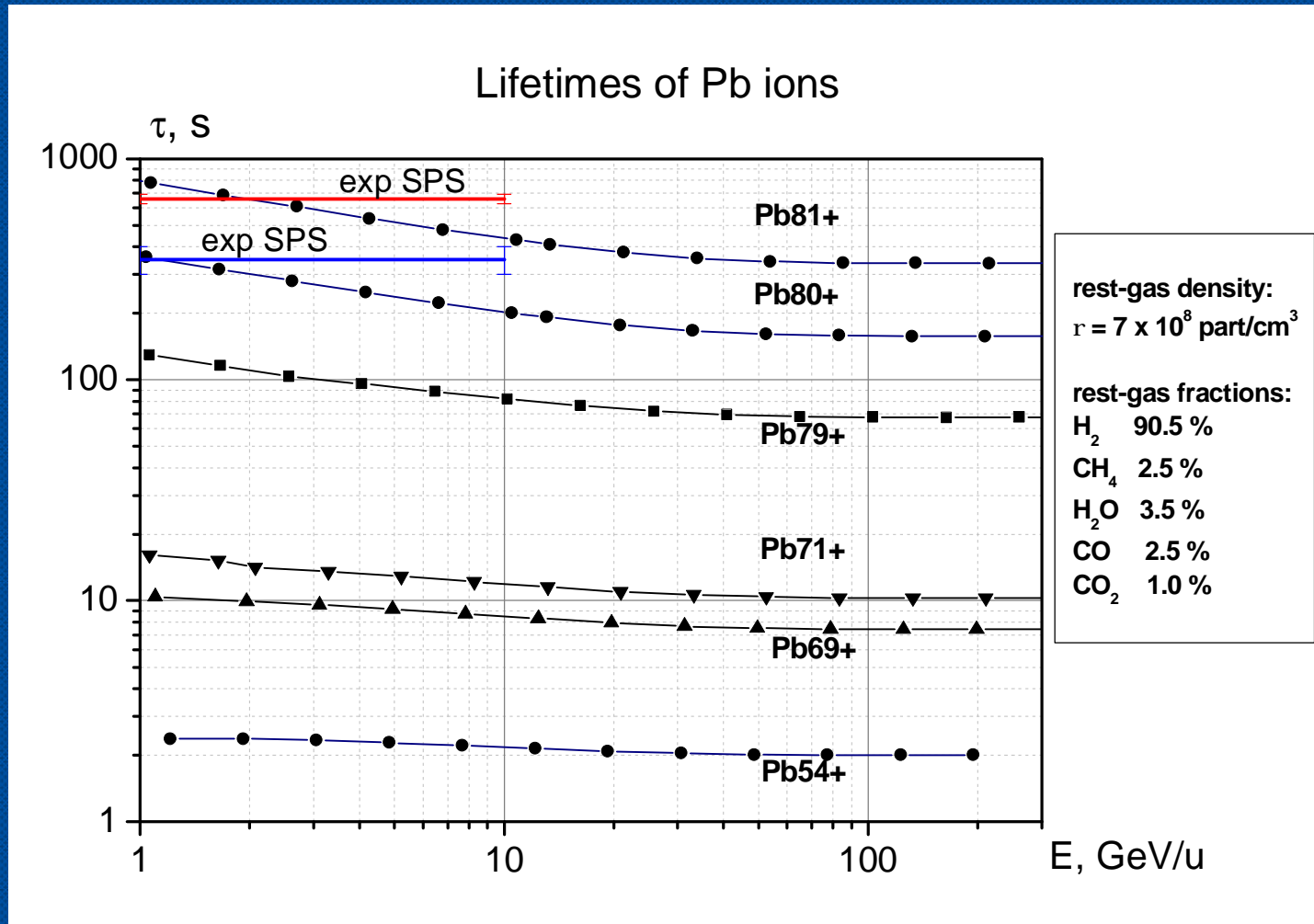
RICODE-M code

Beam lifetimes for collisions of Xe ions with the residual gas in the SPS accelerator



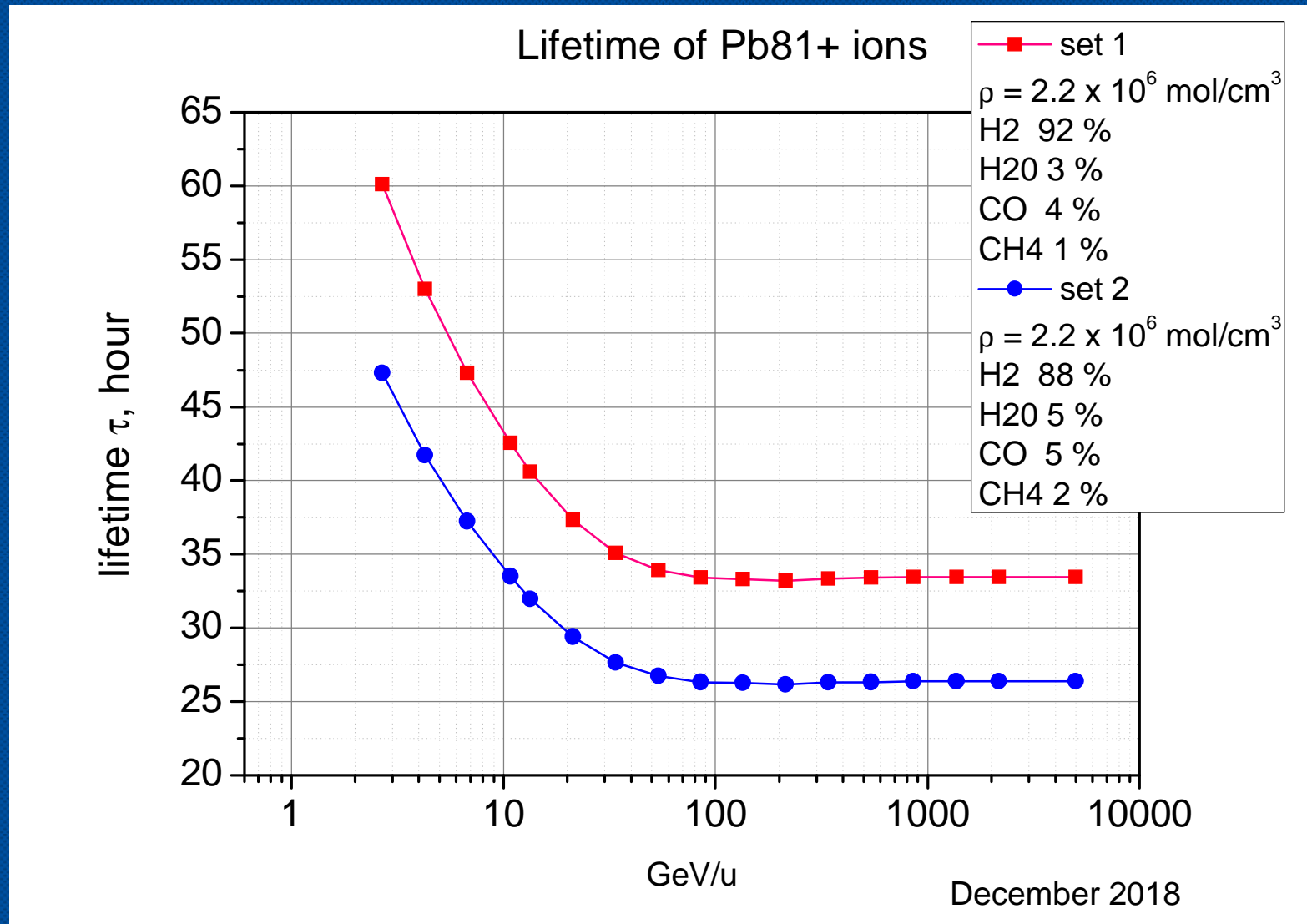
$$\tau(\text{Xe}^{39+}) \text{ exp} = 2.550 \pm 0.085 \text{ s}$$

Beam lifetimes for collisions of Pb ions with the residual gas in the SPS accelerator



$\tau(\text{Pb80+}) \text{ exp} = 350 \pm 50 \text{ s}$
 $t(\text{Pb81+}) \text{ exp} = 660 \pm 30 \text{ s}$

Lifetimes of Pb81+ ions in LHC at high vacuum



$t(\text{Pb81}+) \text{ exp} = 38 \text{ h}$

Conclusion

1. The observed in SPS and LHC lifetimes of Xe³⁹⁺, Pb⁸¹⁺ and Pb⁸⁰⁺ beams at energies $E = 1 - 10$ GeV/u are in a good agreement with calculated by the RICODE-M program values within the uncertainty of the density and molecular composition of the residual gas accelerators.
2. The ion losses at relativistic energies are mainly caused by ionization of projectiles by the rest-gas molecules. The estimated ion-beam lifetimes are nearly independent on ion energy in the range of $E = 1 - 200$ GeV/u because of influence of the relativistic effects on the electron-loss cross sections.
3. A good agreement between theory and experiment for the first time **confirms indirectly** a quasi-constant behavior of the loss cross sections in the relativistic domain, predicted by the relativistic theory.

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