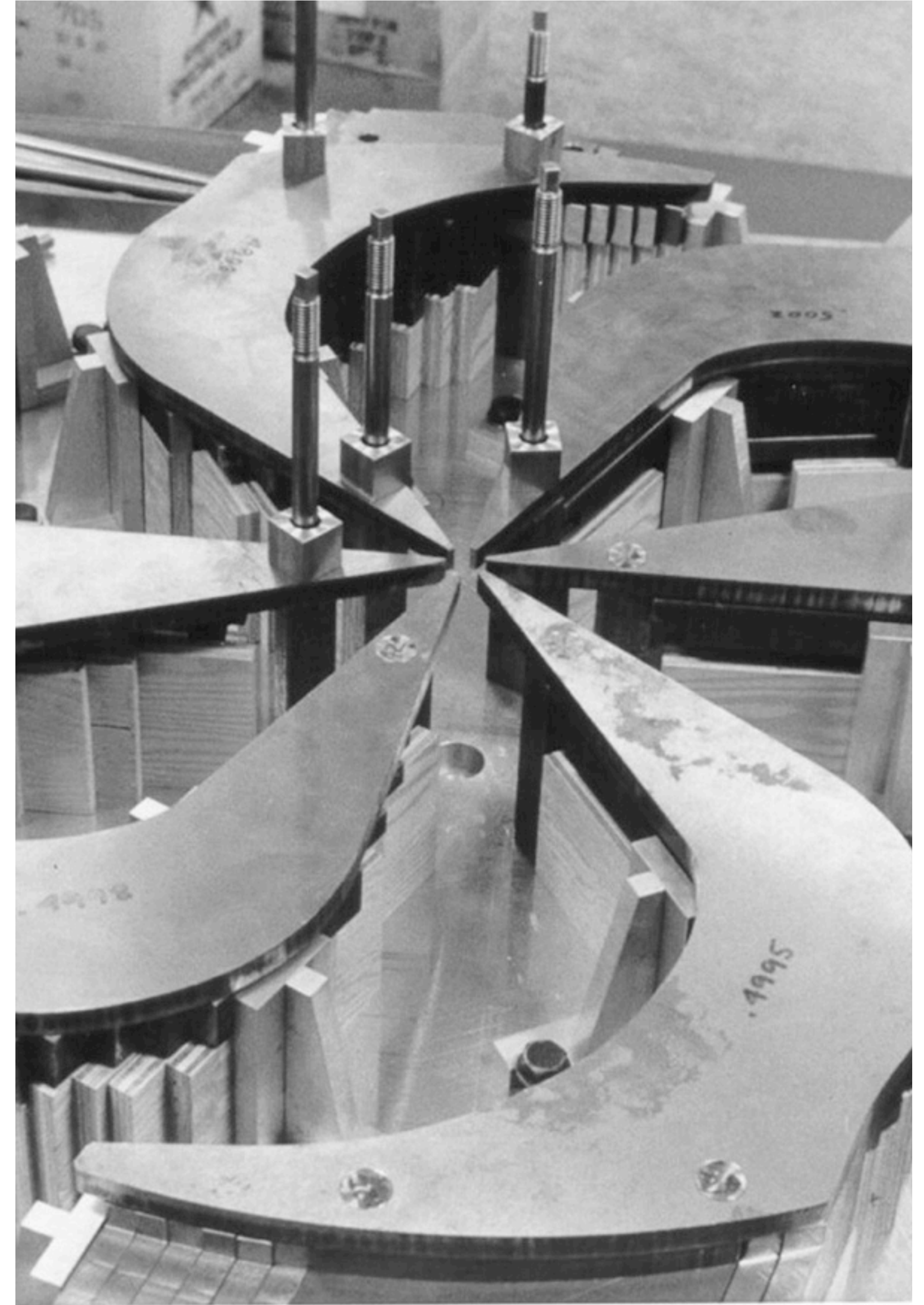




# Variance-based sensitivity analysis in the r-process studies and a scalable extension

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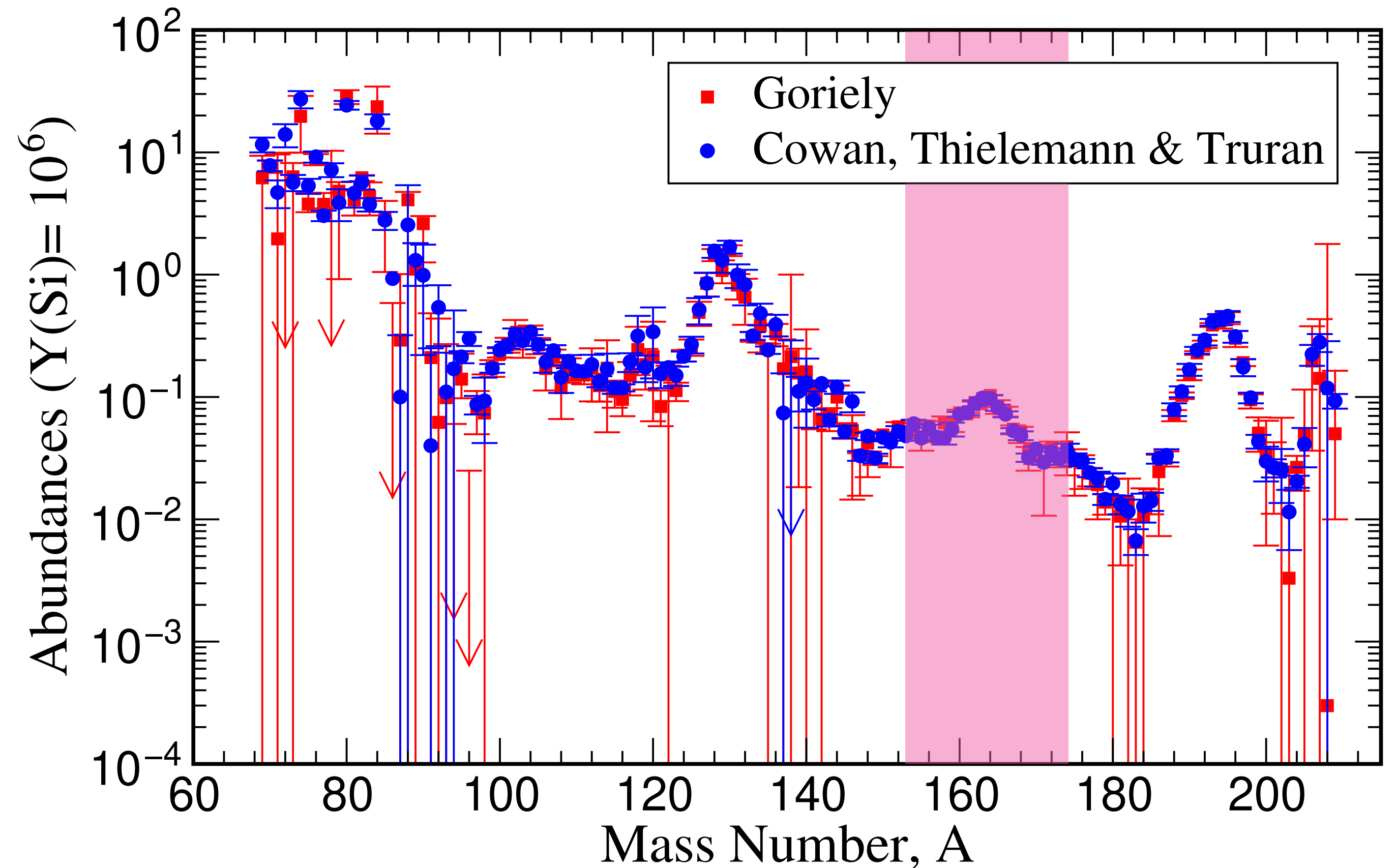
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# Rare-Earth Peak in the *r*-process

- Rare-earth peak (REP) forms during the “freeze-out” of the *r*-process
- Details of nuclear physics inputs affect the features of the peak
  - Competition between  $\beta$ -decay and *n*-capture
  - $\beta$ -delayed *n*-emission provide extra neutrons during freeze-out
  - Fission
- Recent  $\beta$ -decay experiment by the BRIKEN collaboration



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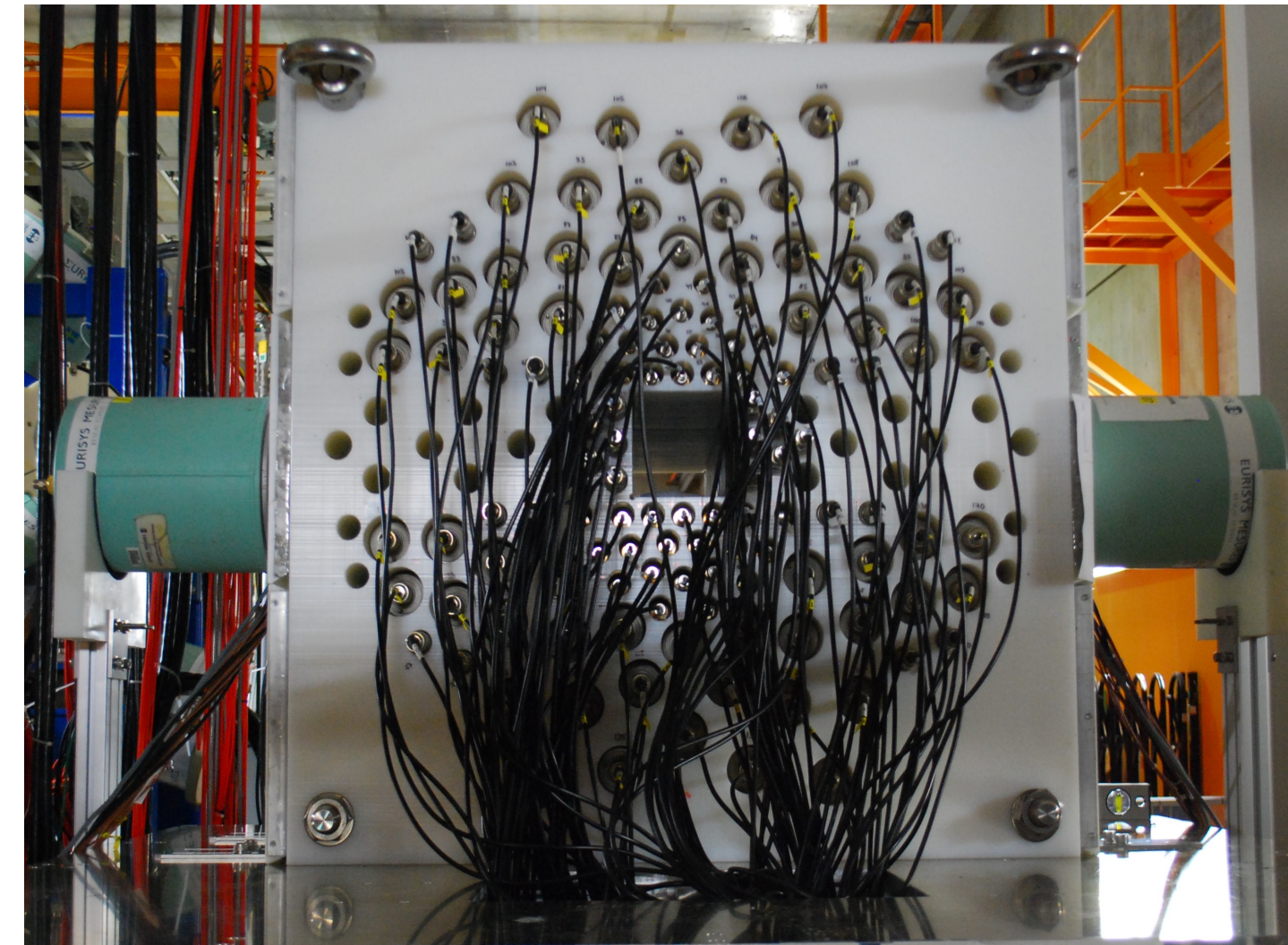
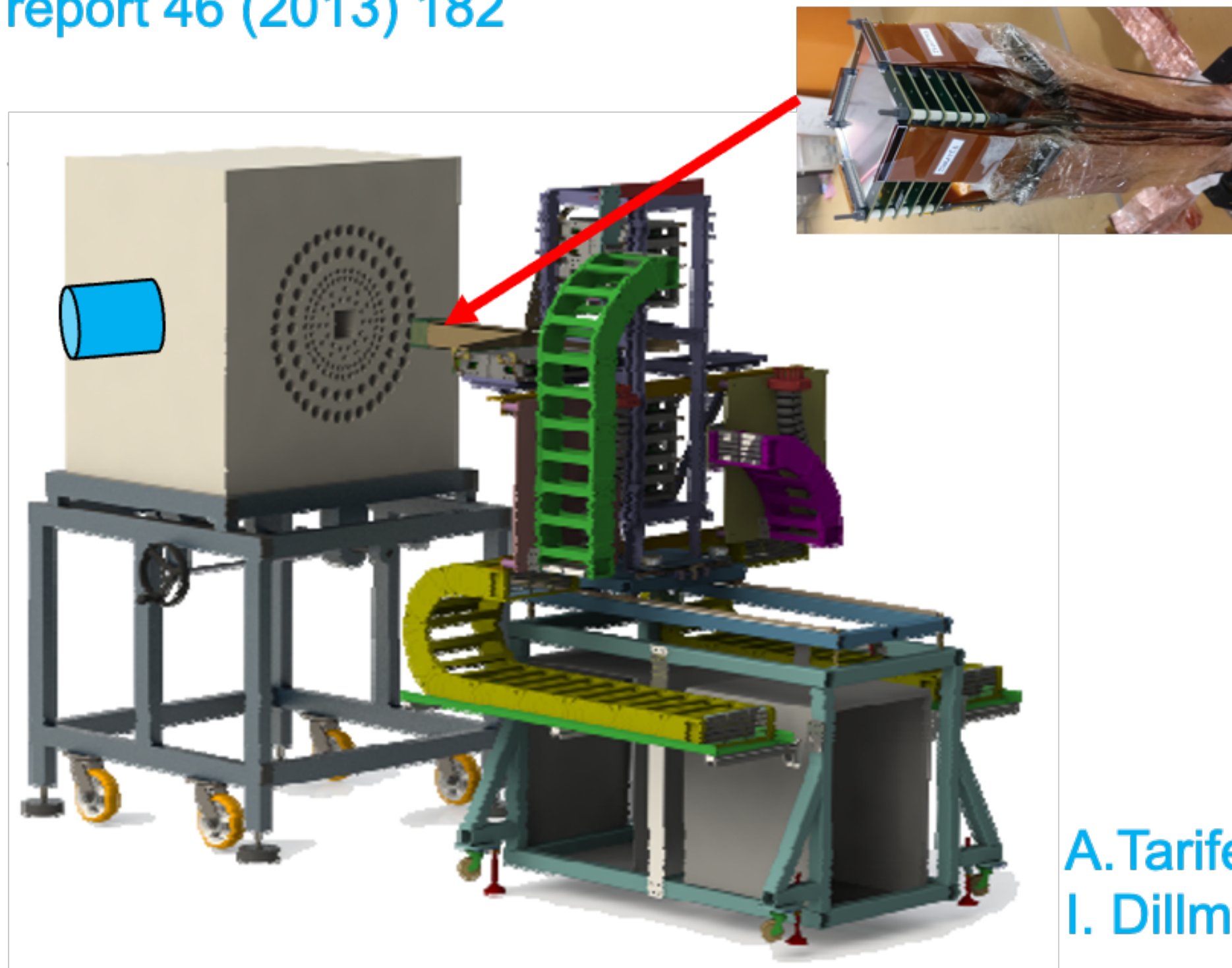
# BRIKEN Experimental Setup

**Advanced Implantation Detector Array (AIDA) – Univ. of Edinburgh, UK.**

<https://www2.ph.ed.ac.uk/~td/AIDA/>

**WASABI detector (RIKEN)**

S.Nishimura et al. RIKEN Accel. progress report 46 (2013) 182



140 <sup>3</sup>He counters in  
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BRIKEN (2016...)

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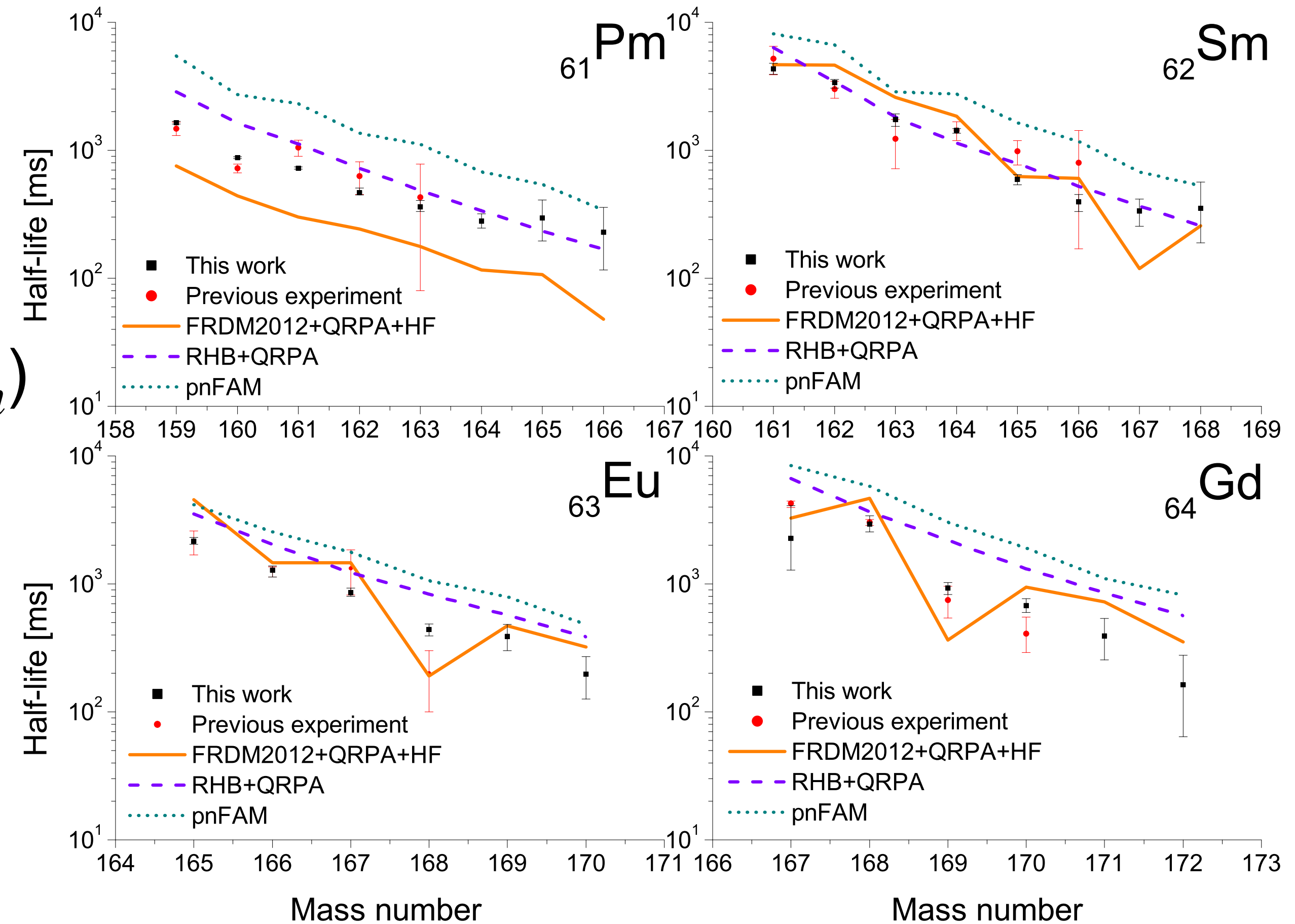
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# Experiment and analysis overview

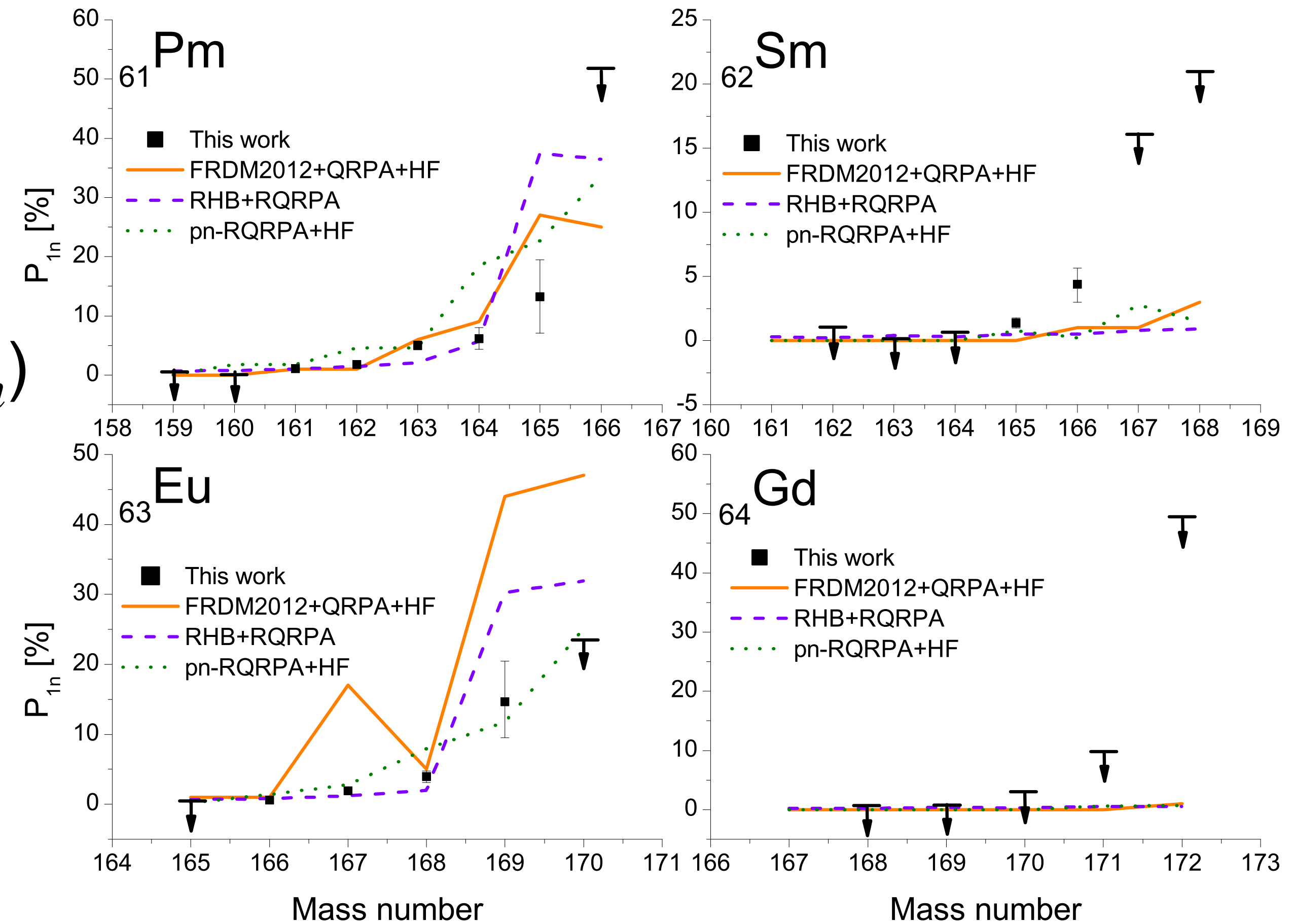
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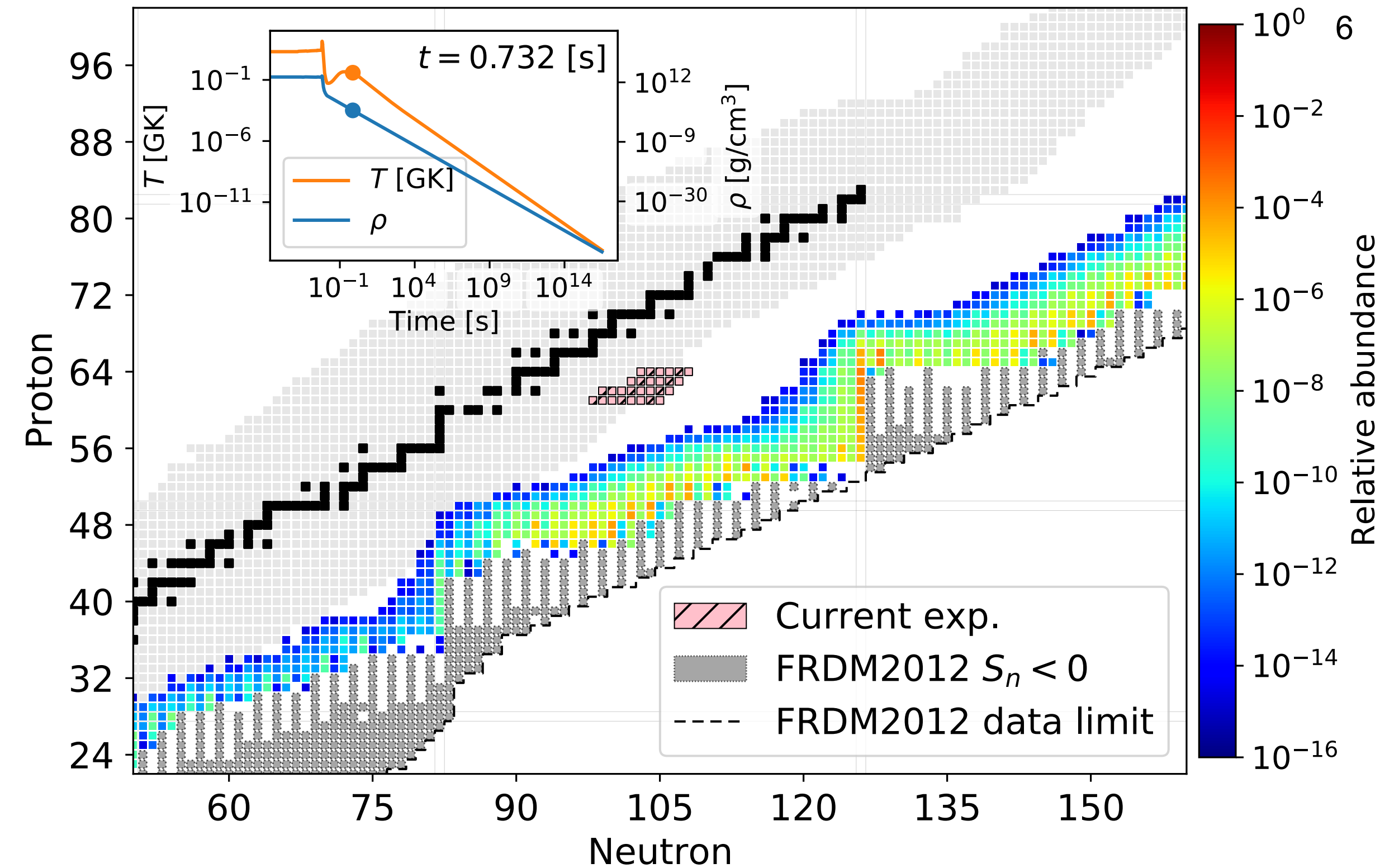
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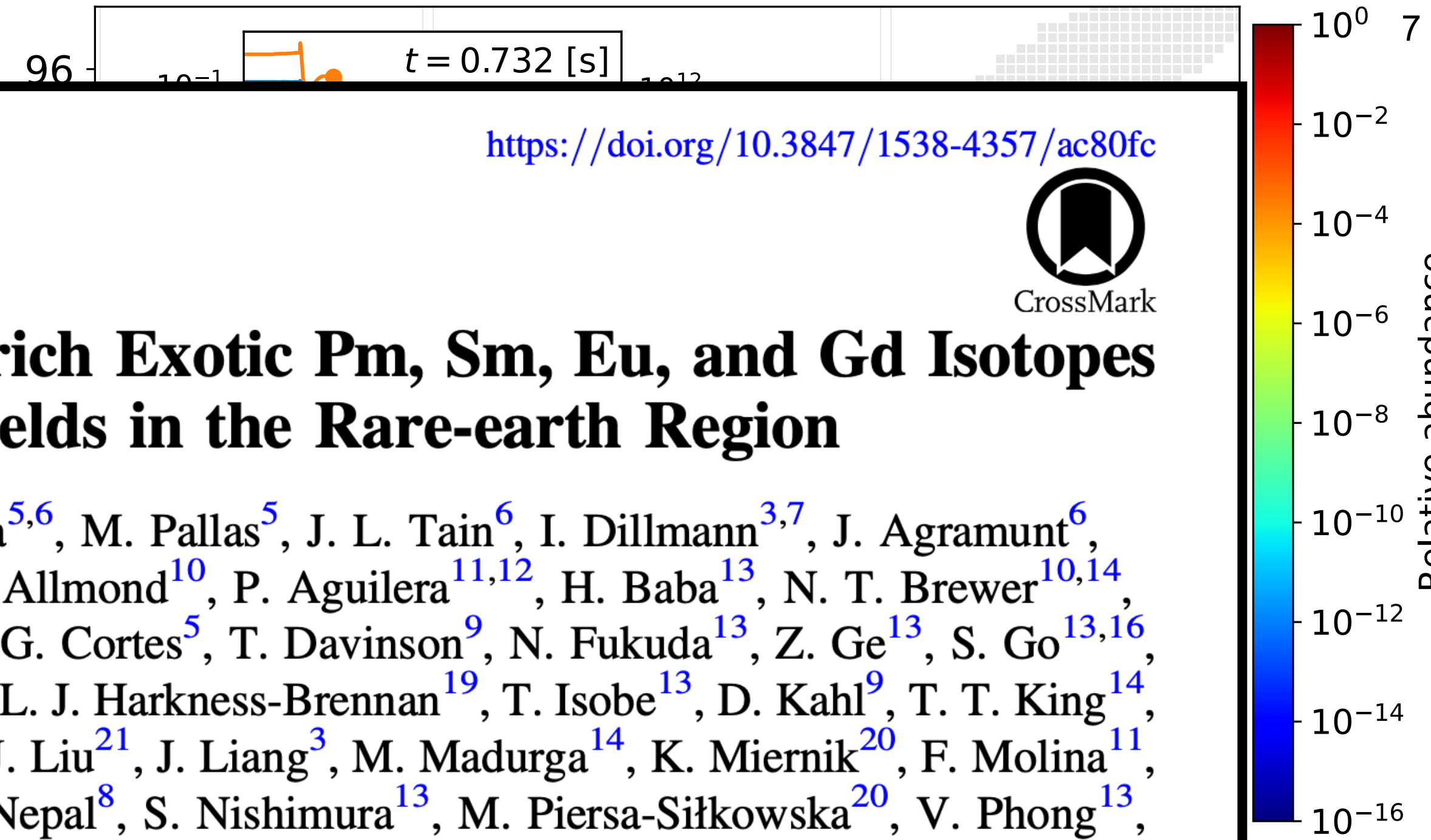
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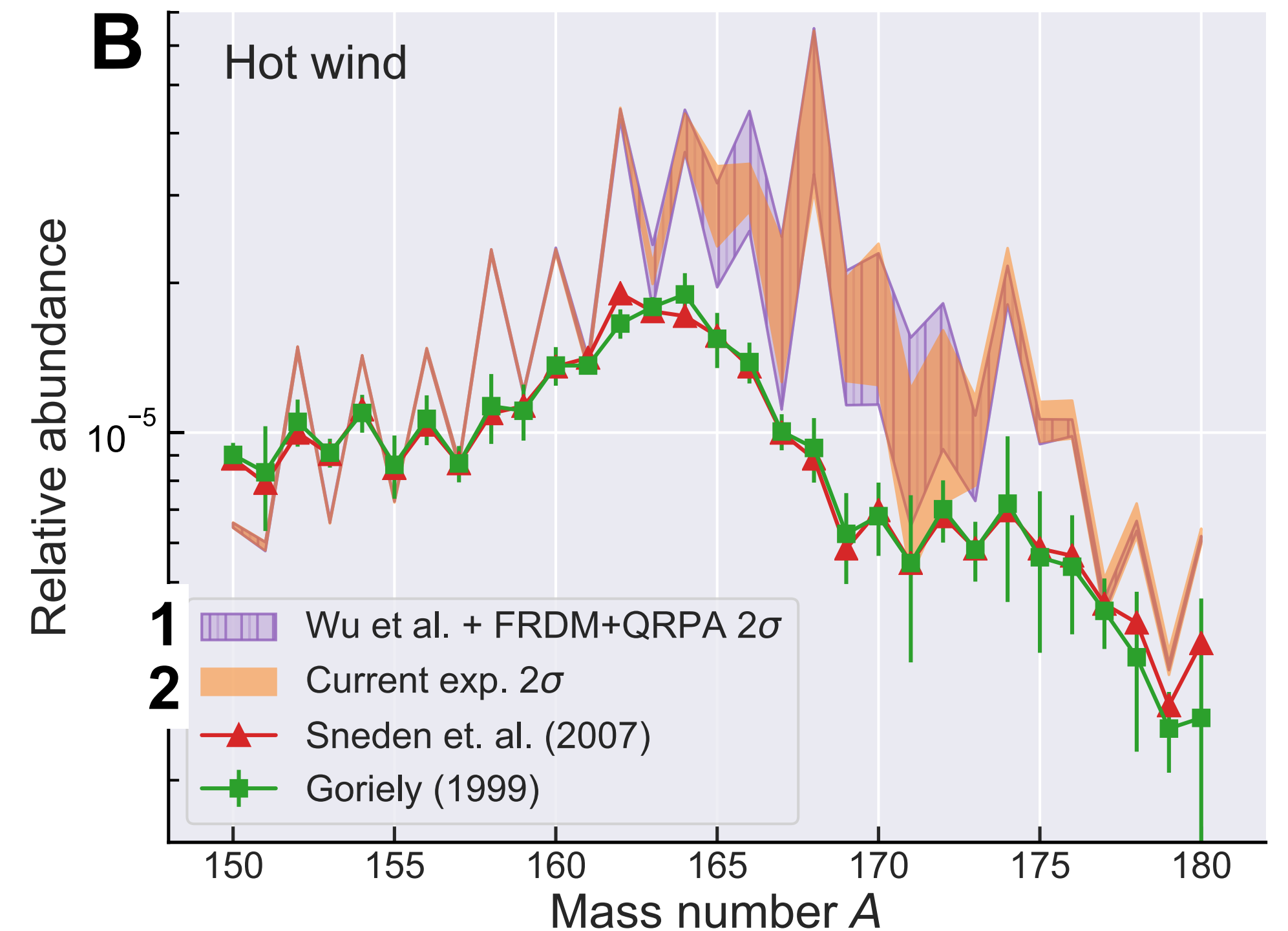
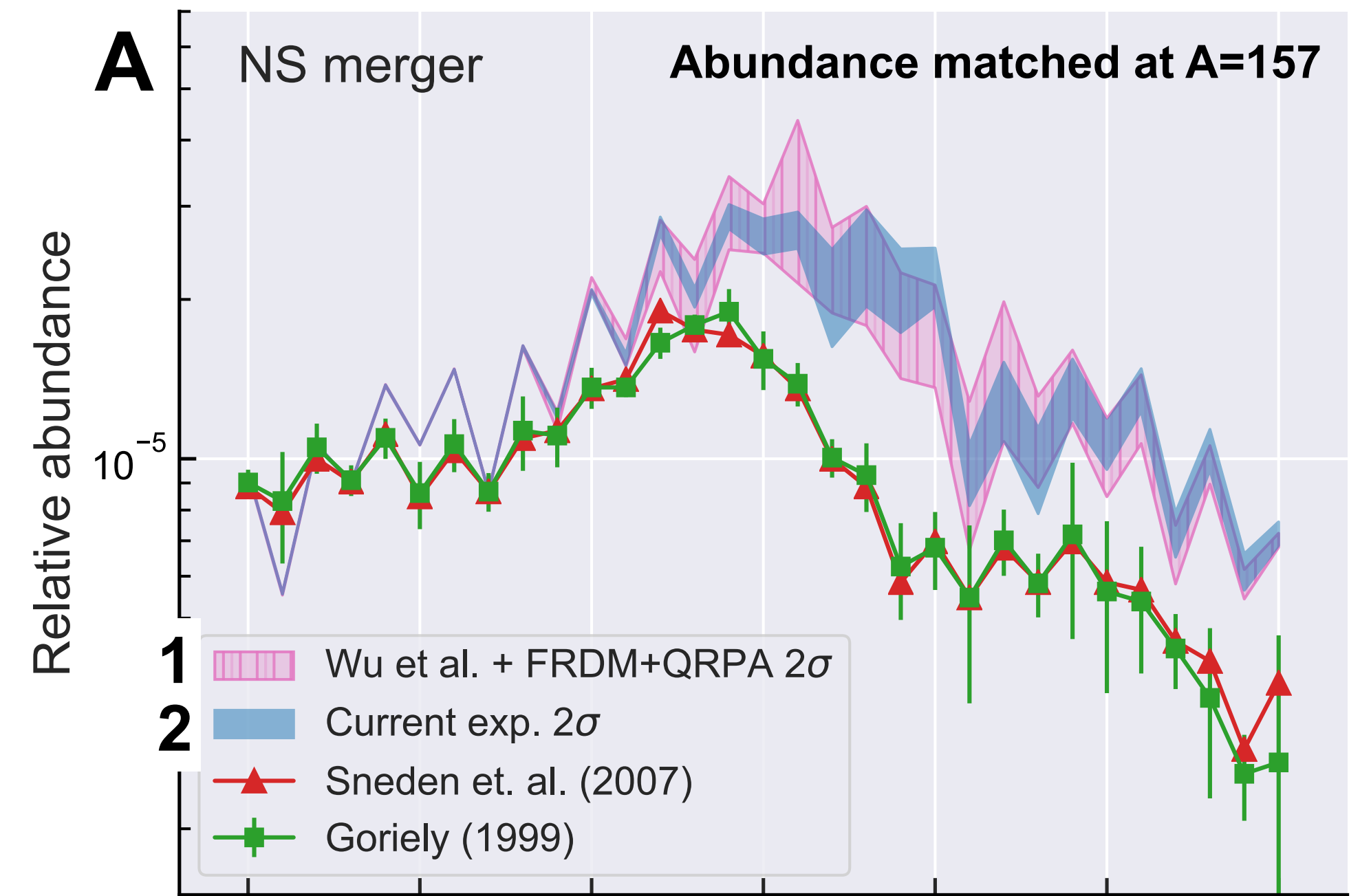
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# Propagated uncertainty

- Half-life uncertainty:
  1. Wu et al. PRL (2017) + “factor of 10” uncertainty for FRDM+QRPA (as in Mumpower et al. PrPNP (2016))
  2. Our results (G. Kiss et al. APJ (2022))
- Astrophysical conditions:
  - A. Neutron star merger dynamical ejecta (Vassh et al., JPhG (2019))
  - B. Hot neutrino driven wind (Mumpower et al. PrPNP (2016))

In all the calculations, **our new  $P_{1n}$  values** are used.
- **Where does the uncertainty come from?**





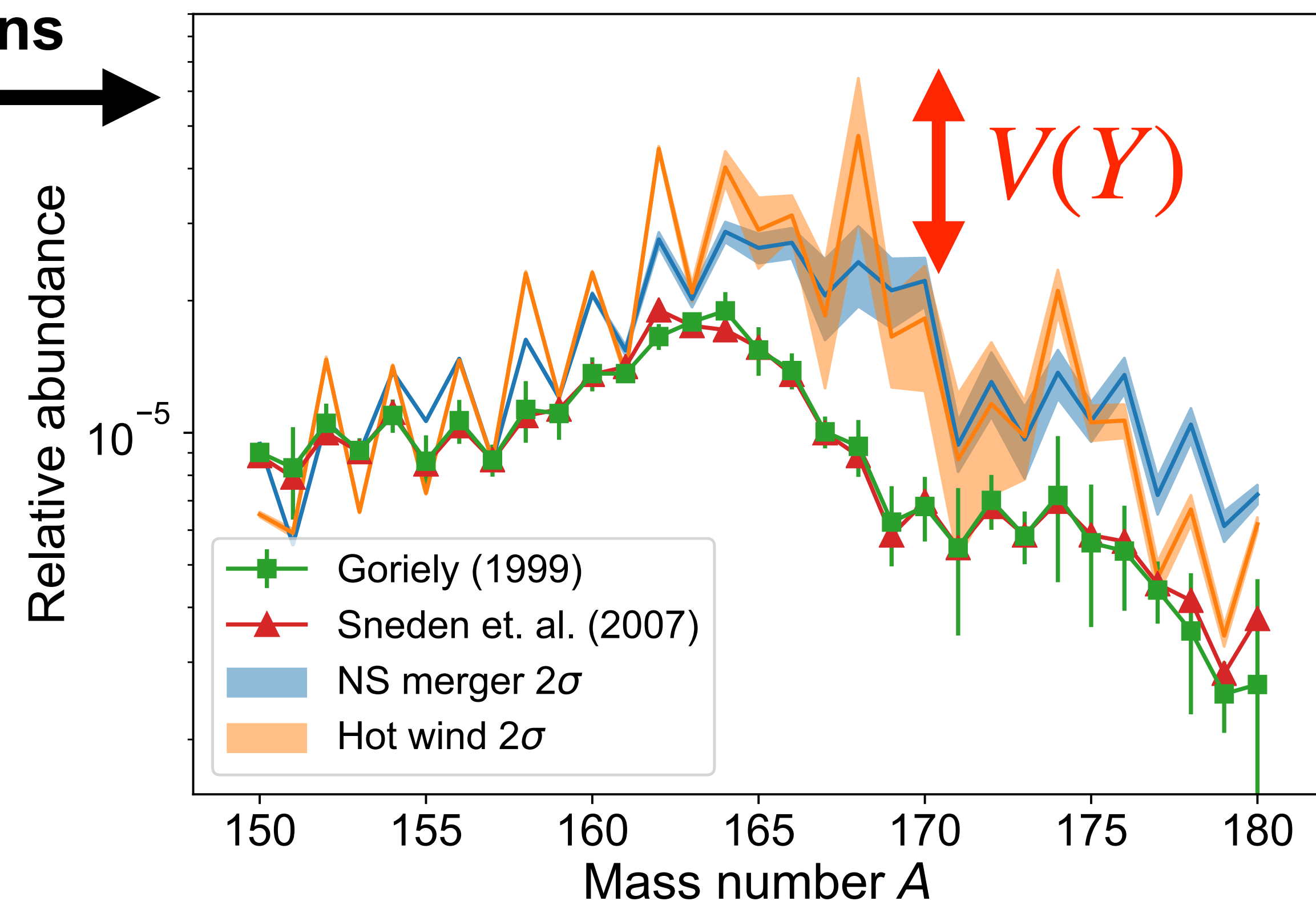
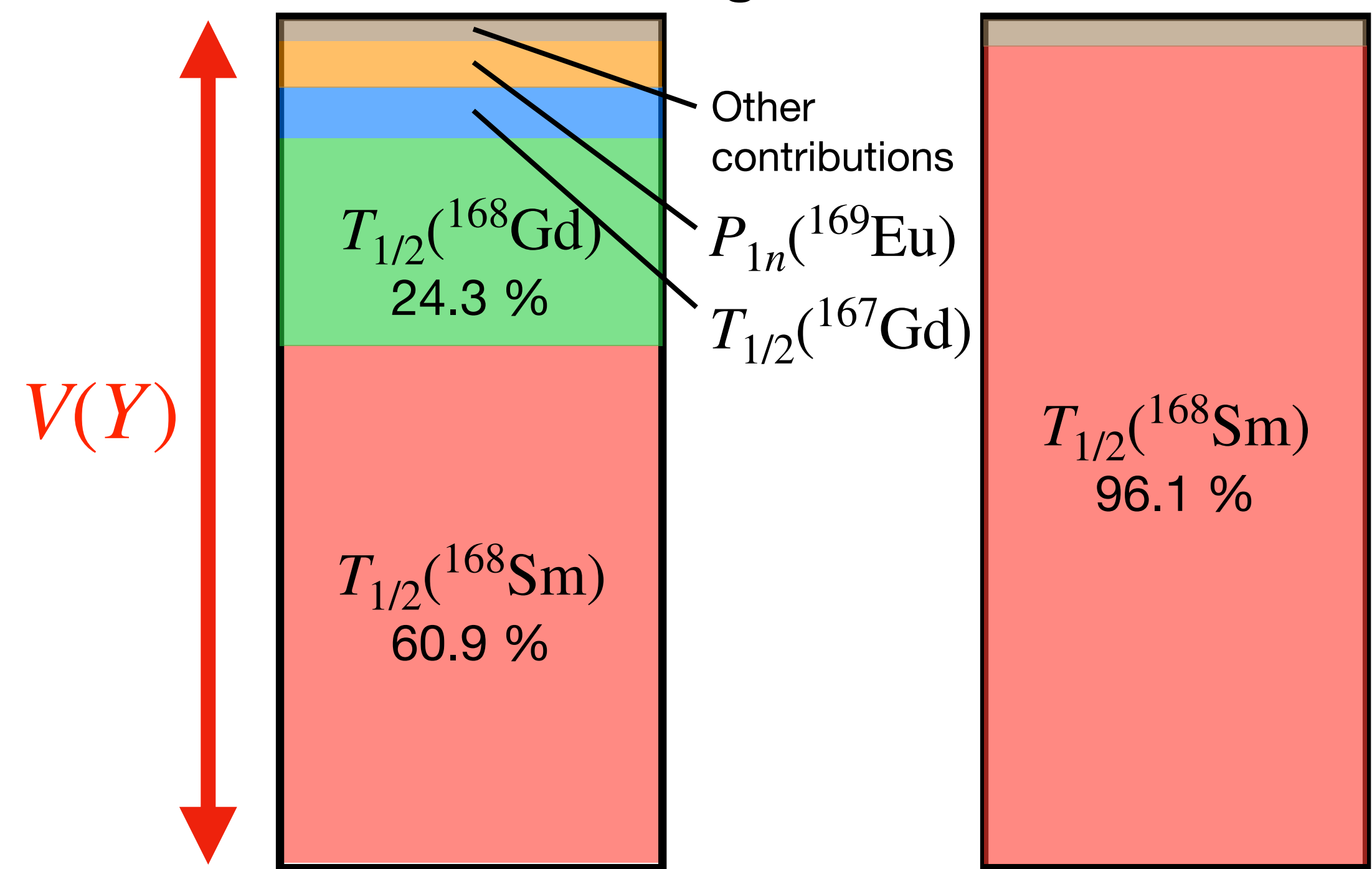
# Variance-based sensitivity analysis

Exp. uncertainty of  $T_{1/2}$  and  $P_{1n}$

Monte Carlo sampling and abundance calculations

$$T_{1/2}(^{168}\text{Sm}) = 353^{+210}_{-164} \text{ [ms]}$$

NS merger e.g. A=168 Hot wind



Variance decomposition

# Variance-based sensitivity analysis results

- Dominant contribution from the half-lives in both astrophysical scenarios (~90%)
- Strong contribution from  $T_{1/2}(^{168}\text{Sm})$  to mass numbers  $A=168-173$
- $\beta$ -decay  $T_{1/2}$  of nuclei synthesized at the beginning of **freeze-out** may strongly affect the flow of  $n$  capture
- For full results, ask me or see G. Kiss, A. Vitéz-Sveicz, YS, et al. (2022), APJ, 936:107

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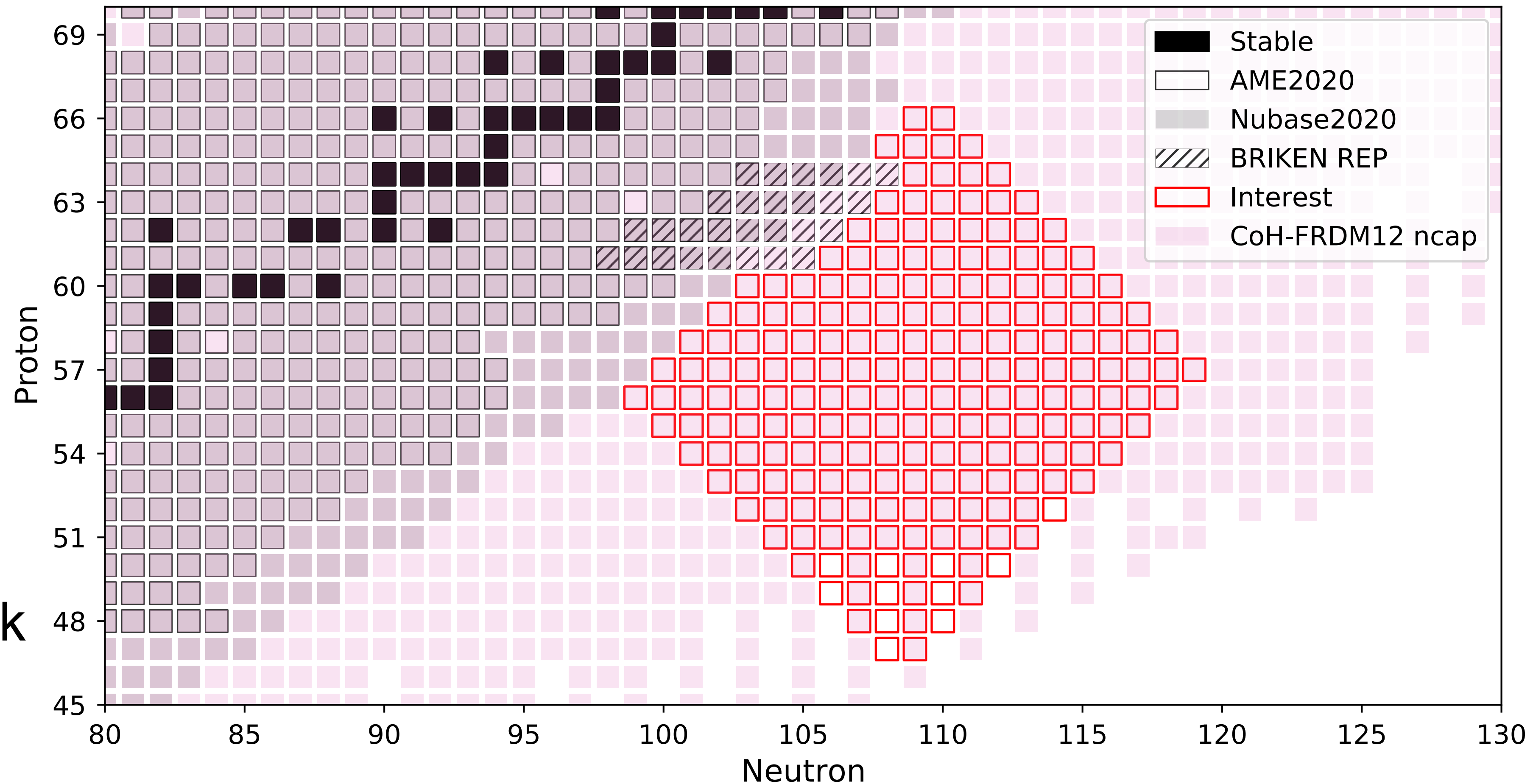
# Towards scalable statistical analyses

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- To draw more general conclusions, more isotopes and more types of nuclear physics inputs should be included
  - ➡ Cost may become prohibitive (millions of calculations required)
- Challenging to accelerate nuclear reaction network calculations with GPUs (Work by Paul Virally (U. Waterloo))
- An **emulator** would significantly reduce the computational cost
  - ➡ Model the map between input (nuclear physics) and output (abundance pattern)
  - ➡ One run is significantly cheaper than a full abundance calculation

# Towards scalable statistical analyses

- 212 isotopes
- Variables:  $T_{1/2}$  and  $S_n$  (propagated to  $n$ -capture rate) = 424 variable inputs
- Emulate abundance calculations with artificial neural network (ANN)



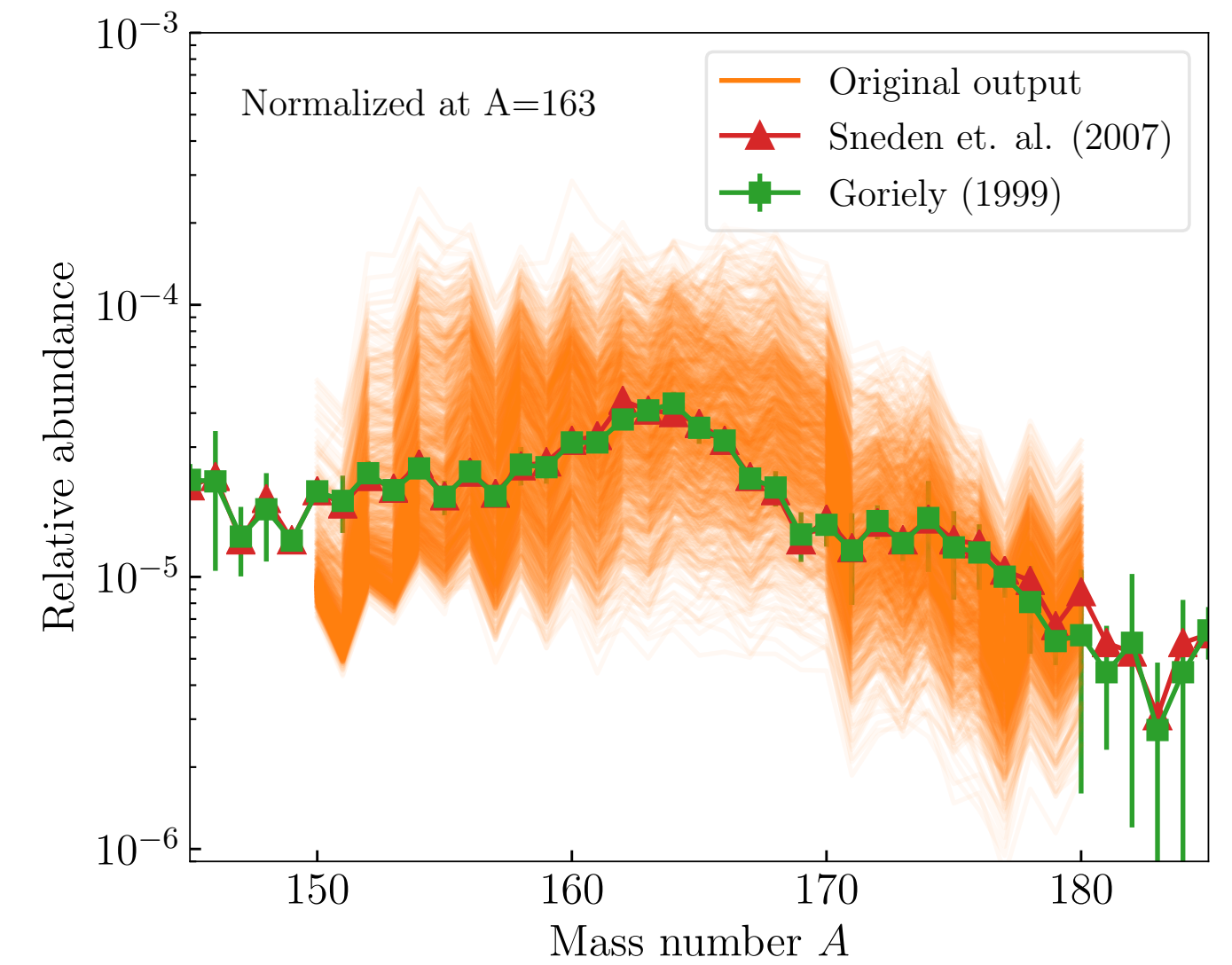
# Artificial Neural Network Emulator

Simultaneously vary

- $\beta$ -decay half-lives
- $S_n$  (propagated to  $n$  capture rate)

Solve nuclear reaction network ODE:

$$\frac{dY_i}{dt} = \sum_j P_j^i \lambda_j Y_j + \sum_{j,k} P_{j,k}^i \frac{\rho}{m_u} \langle j, k \rangle Y_j Y_k + \sum_{j,k,l} P_{j,k,l}^i \frac{\rho^2}{m_u^2} \langle j, k, l \rangle Y_j Y_k Y_l,$$



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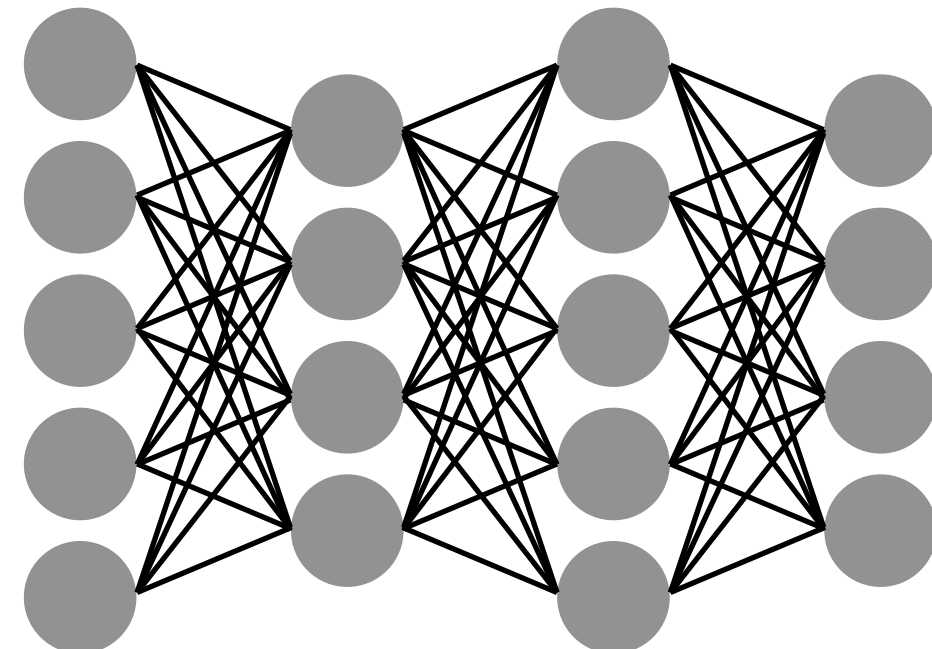
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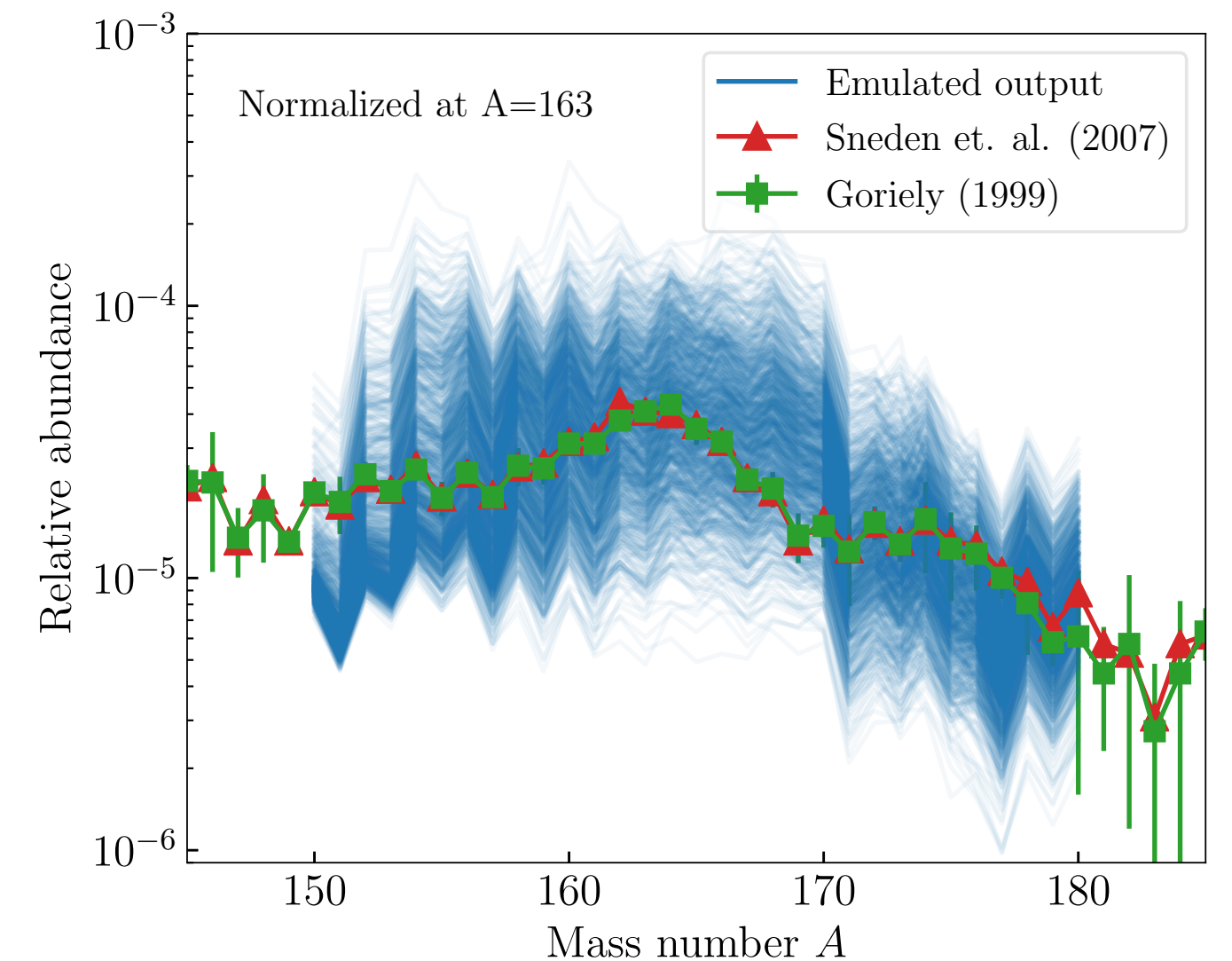
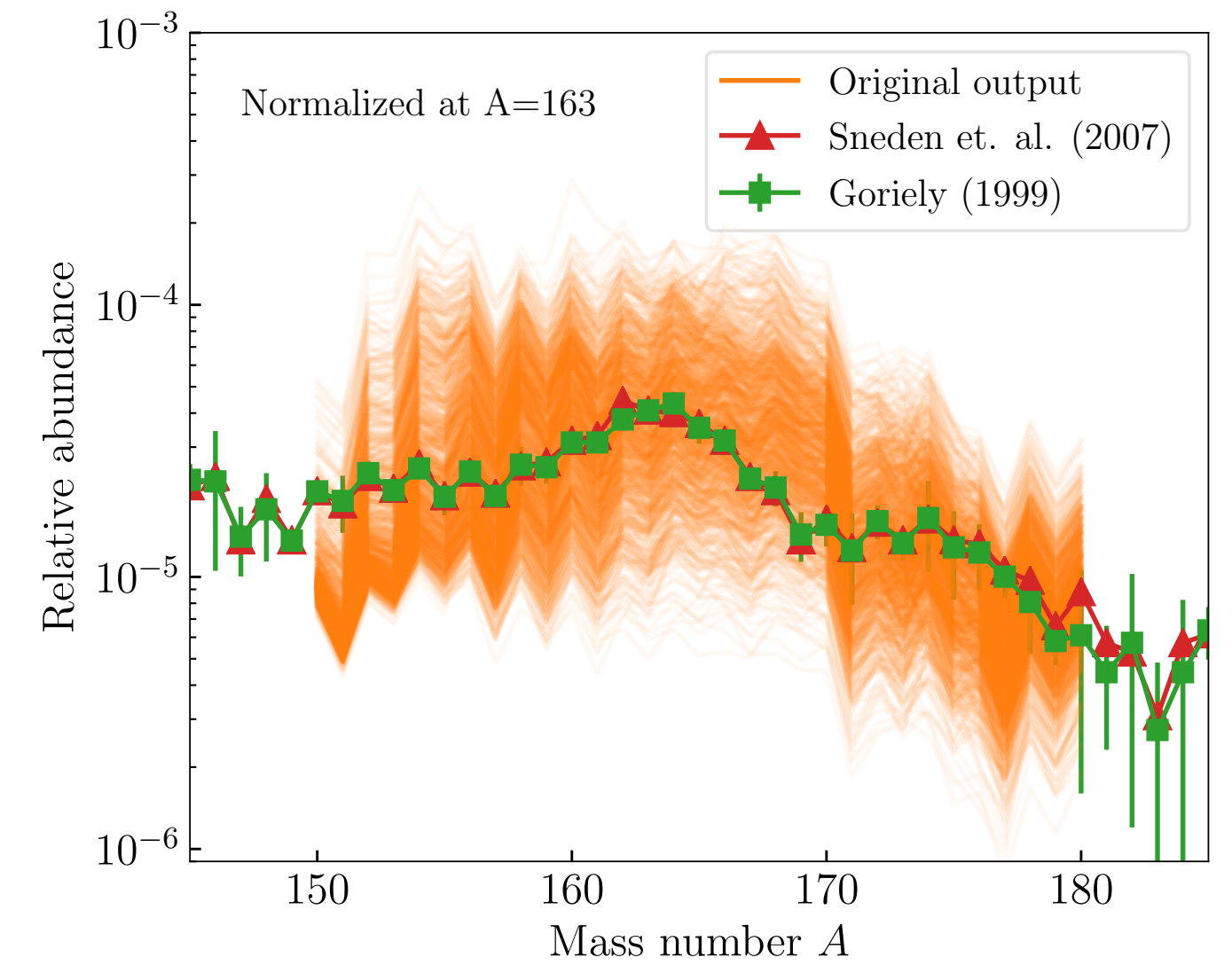
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**Train**

ANN Emulator



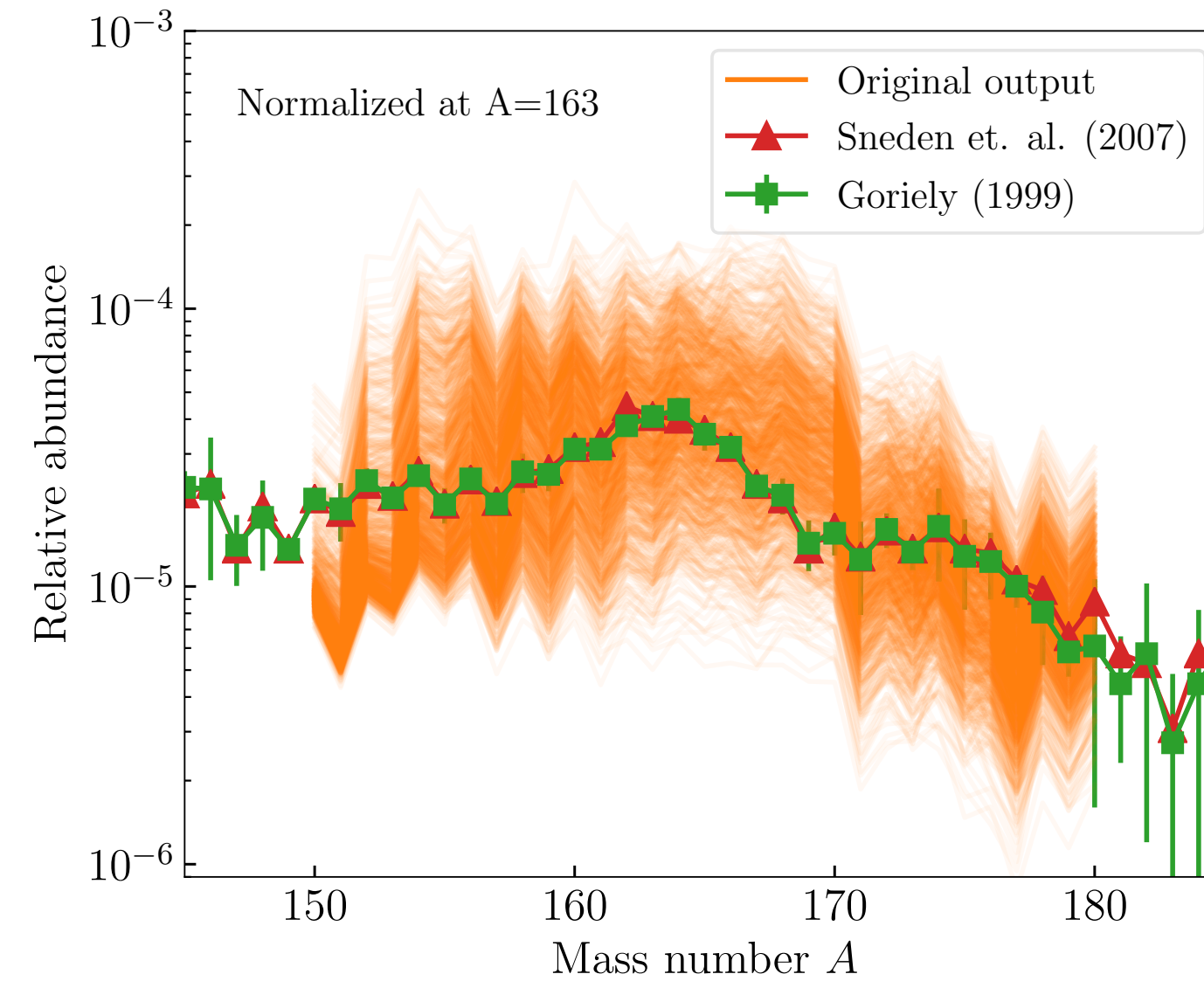
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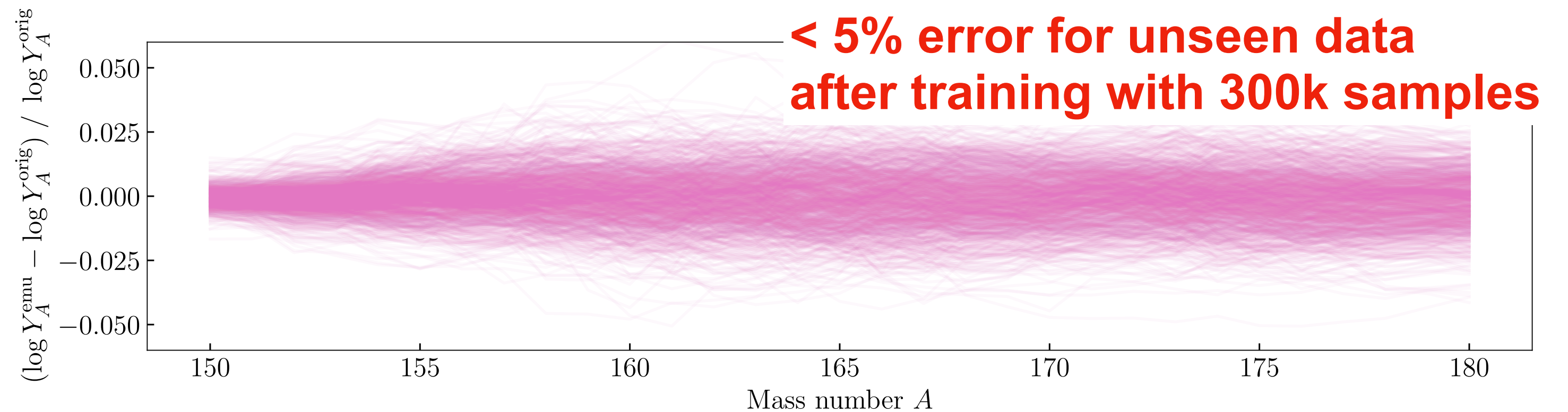
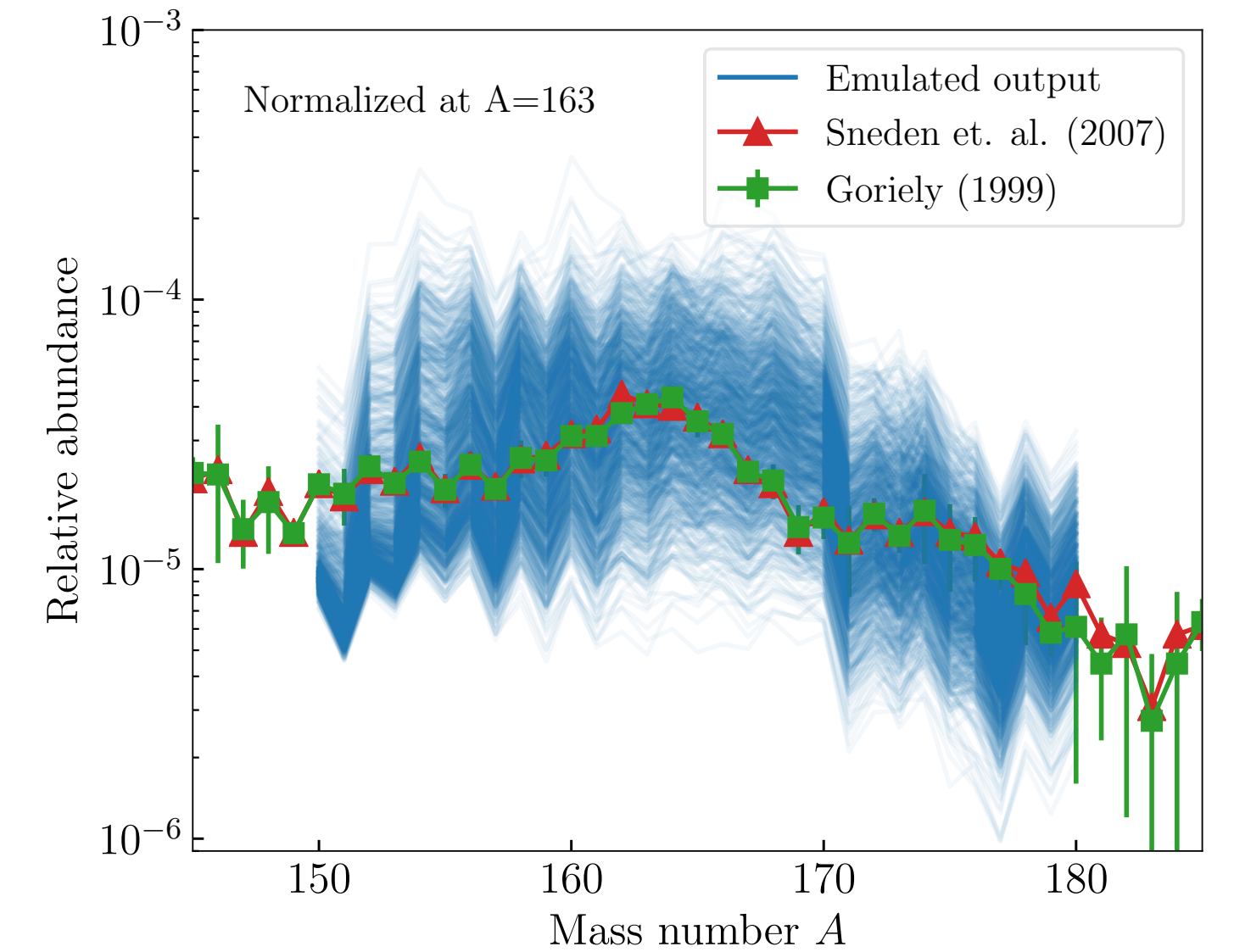
# ANN Emulator

- $T_{1/2}$  and  $S_n$  of 212 isotopes (propagated to  $n$ -capture rate) = 424 variable inputs
- ~300 ms per prediction (cp. One full network calculation ~300 s)
- With uncertainty quantification of each prediction

Full abundance calculations for NS merger (PRISM)



Emulated abundance calculations



YS, et al. in preparation

PRISM: M. Mumpoer (LANL) and T. Sprouse (LANL)

# Summary and outlook

- Astrophysical implication of new  $T_{1/2}$  and  $P_{1n}$  data in the REP region
  - ➔  $T_{1/2}$  of influential isotopes affect the flow of  $n$ -capture
  - ➔ Nuclei synthesized right before neutrons are exhausted may be important
- Variance-based sensitivity analysis
  - ➔ Identify inputs where abundance uncertainty comes from

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- ANN-based abundance calculation emulator
  - ➔ Enables further sensitivity analysis and various statistical inference tasks

**Manuscripts in preparation**

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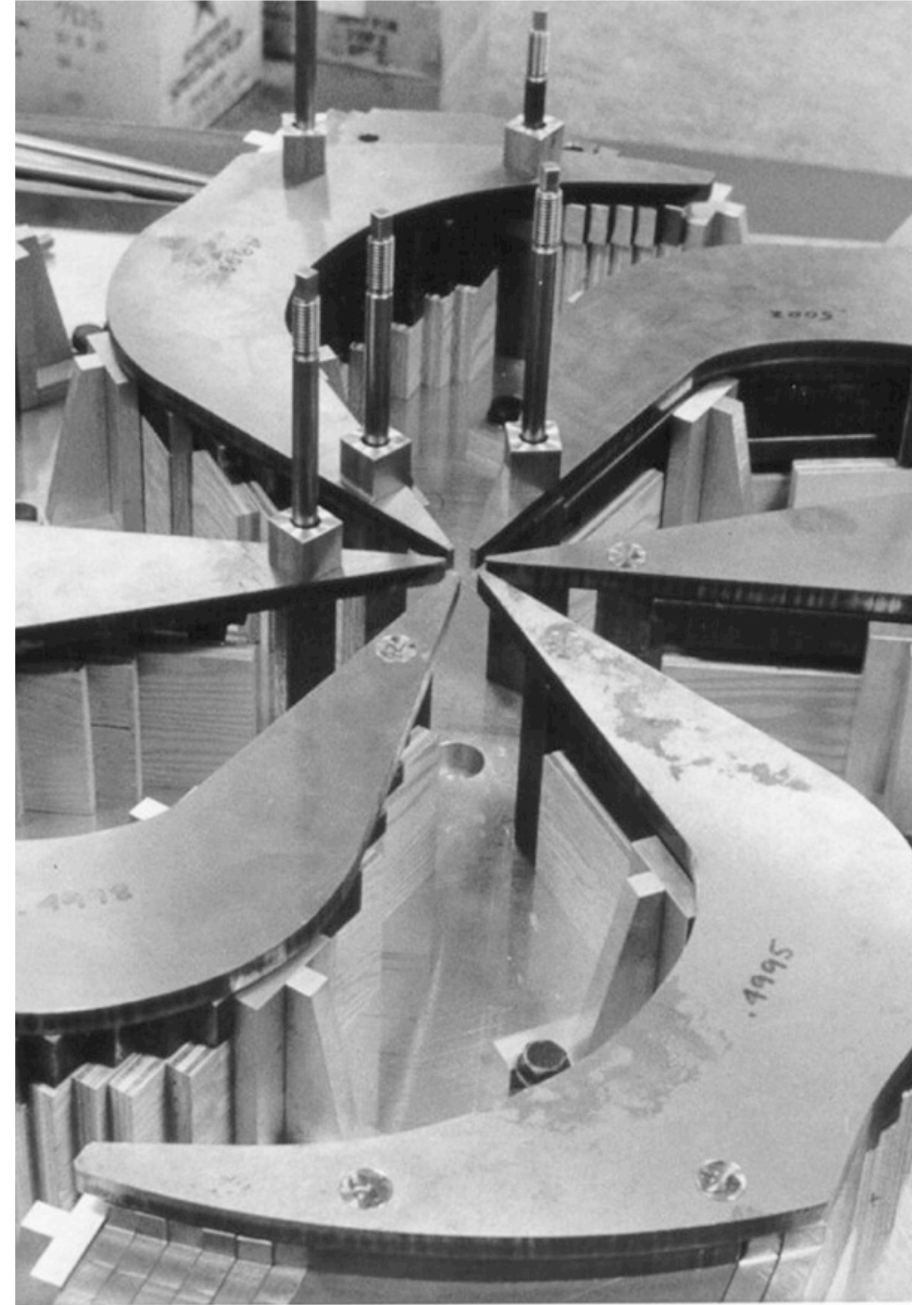
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- Dominant contribution from the uncertainty of half-lives in both astrophysical scenarios

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## Contribution of experimental uncertainty to the abundance uncertainty [%] NS merger

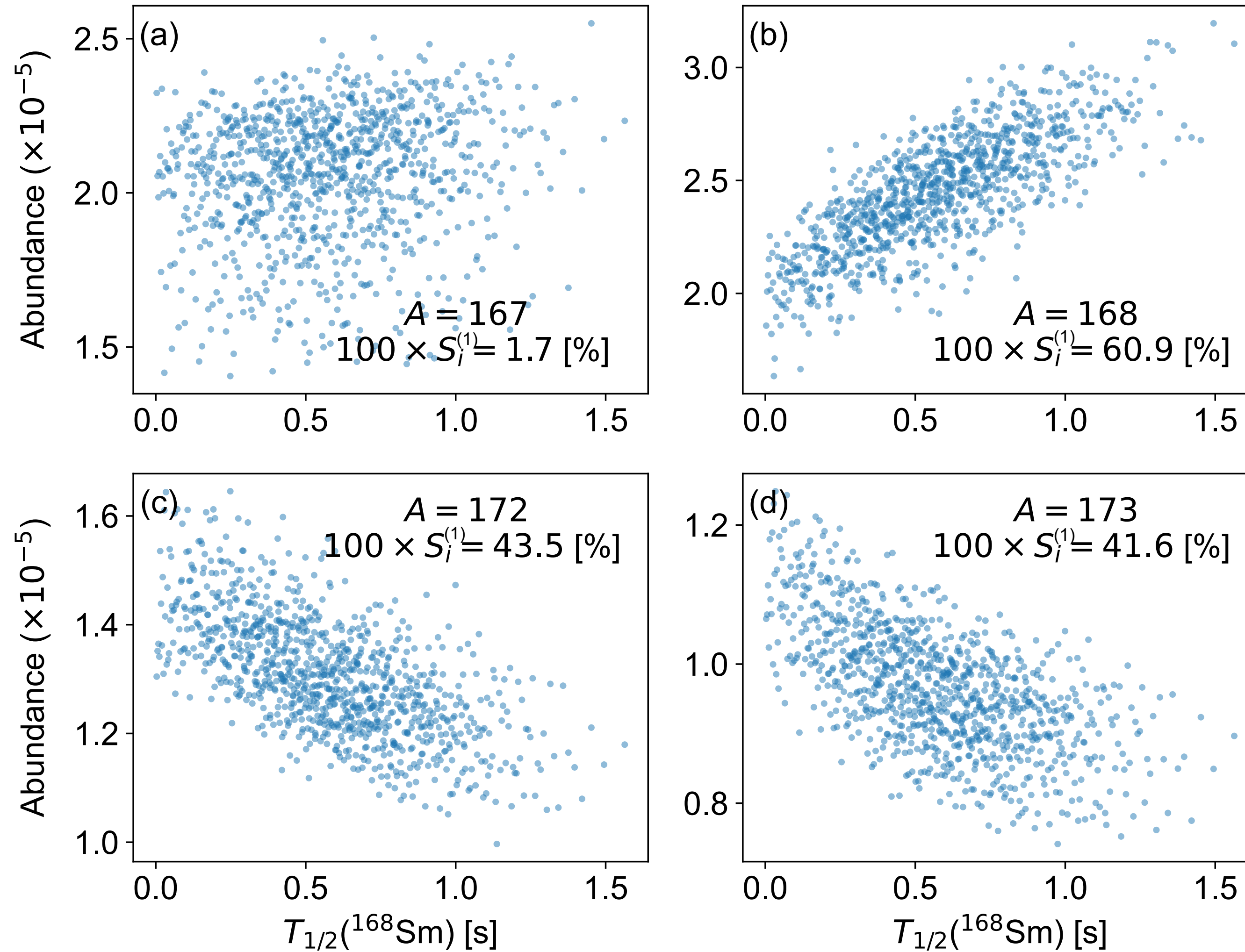
	$100 \times S^{(1)}$ (95% C.I.) [%]					
	$A = 168$	169	170	171	172	173
$S^{(1)}(T_{1/2})$ total:	94.9 ( $\pm 8.6$ )	100.1 ( $\pm 9.2$ )	93.9 ( $\pm 9.9$ )	84.0 ( $\pm 8.5$ )	95.1 ( $\pm 8.3$ )	99.7 ( $\pm 8.6$ )
$S^{(1)}(P_{1n})$ total:	5.9 ( $\pm 2.3$ )	1.1 ( $\pm 1.1$ )	5.6 ( $\pm 2.0$ )	11.0 ( $\pm 2.9$ )	5.7 ( $\pm 2.0$ )	2.0 ( $\pm 1.1$ )
$S^{(1)}$ total:	100.9 ( $\pm 8.9$ )	101.3 ( $\pm 9.2$ )	99.5 ( $\pm 10.1$ )	95.0 ( $\pm 9.0$ )	100.7 ( $\pm 8.6$ )	101.6 ( $\pm 8.6$ )

## Hot wind

$S^{(1)}(T_{1/2})$ total:	97.0 ( $\pm 14.1$ )	78.9 ( $\pm 7.4$ )	97.4 ( $\pm 8.3$ )	74.6 ( $\pm 8.2$ )	98.6 ( $\pm 10.5$ )	93.8 ( $\pm 13.7$ )
$S^{(1)}(P_{1n})$ total:	3.0 ( $\pm 1.8$ )	21.5 ( $\pm 4.1$ )	3.7 ( $\pm 1.6$ )	25.9 ( $\pm 4.7$ )	2.8 ( $\pm 1.7$ )	5.6 ( $\pm 2.1$ )
$S^{(1)}$ total:	100.0 ( $\pm 14.3$ )	100.5 ( $\pm 8.5$ )	101.1 ( $\pm 8.4$ )	100.5 ( $\pm 9.5$ )	101.3 ( $\pm 10.7$ )	99.4 ( $\pm 13.9$ )

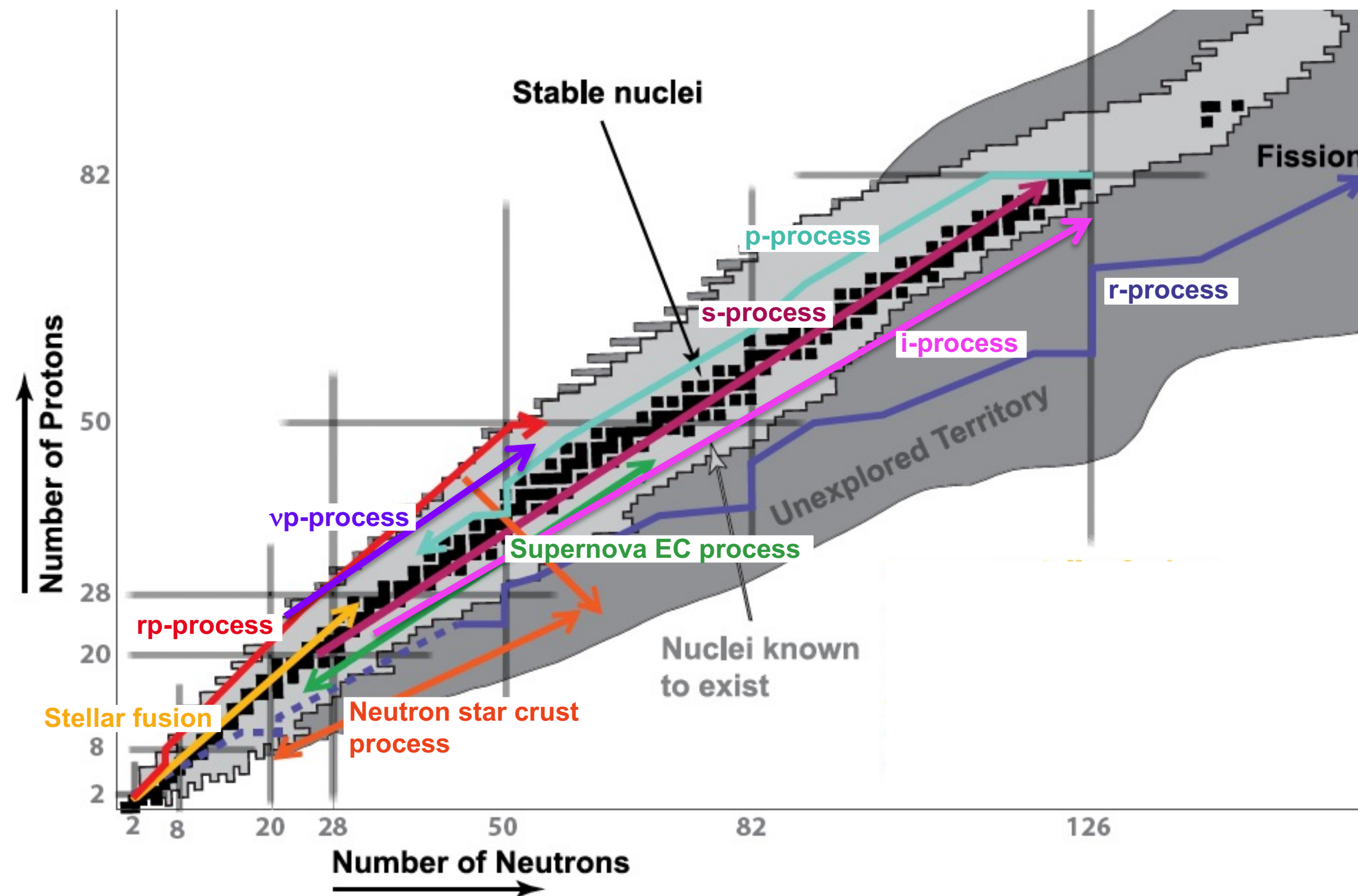
# Variance-based sensitivity analysis

Effect of  $T_{1/2}(^{168}\text{Sm}) = 353_{-164}^{+210}$  [ms] in NS merger



# Rapid neutron capture process (*r*-process)

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From Schatz et al. (2022), arXiv:2205.07996

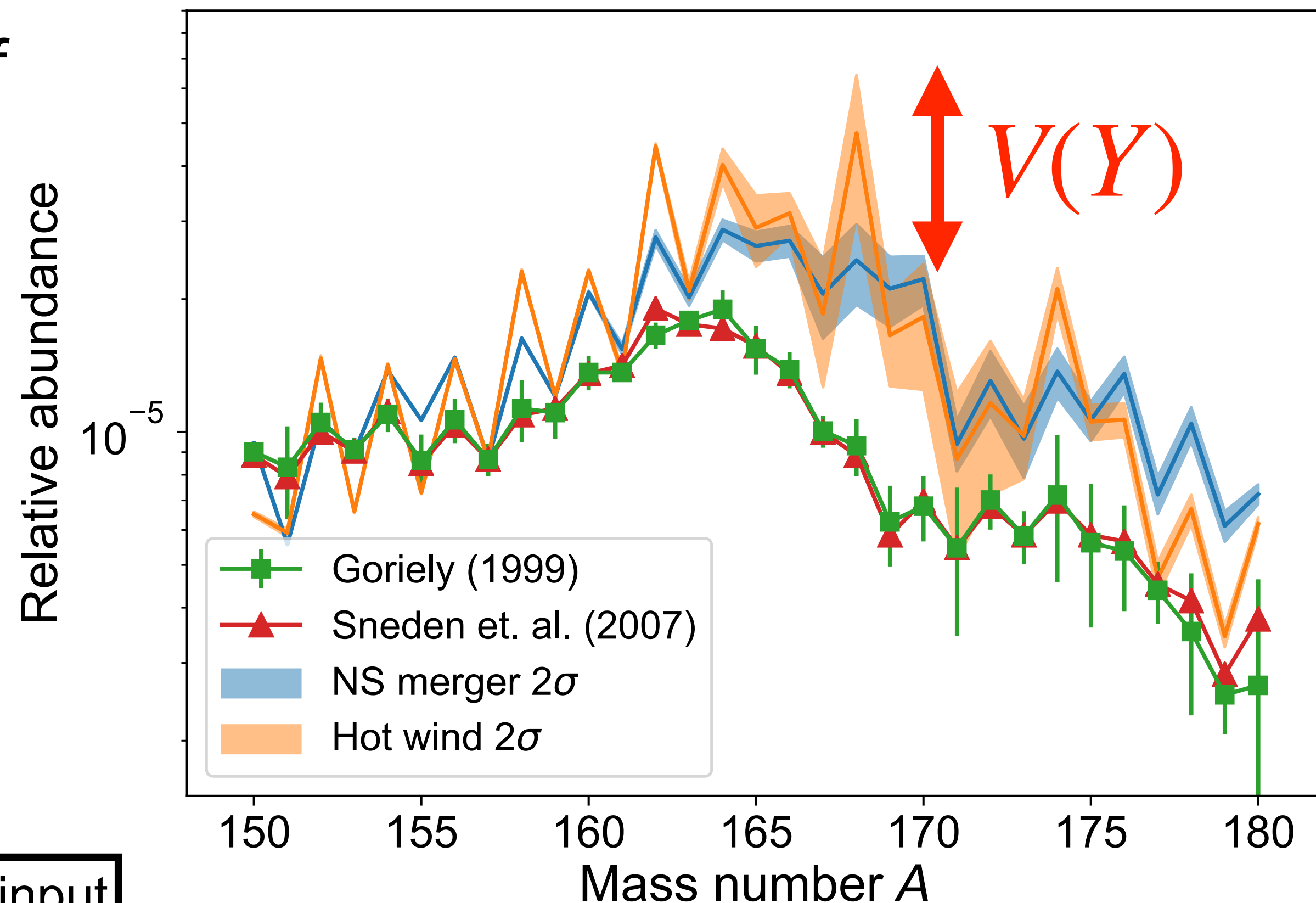
- Responsible for ~50% of heavy elements
- High neutron density ( $>10^{26} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ )
- Temperature can reach a few GK
  - ➡ Compact binary mergers
  - ➡ Some types of core-collapse SNe
- Interplay of nuclear physics processes
  - Neutron capture & photodissociation
  - $\beta$ -decay &  $\beta$ -delayed neutron emission
  - Fission
  - etc...

# Analysis of propagated uncertainty

- Is it possible to quantify the contribution of each  $T_{1/2}$  and  $P_{1n}$  (input) uncertainty to the abundance (output) uncertainty?  
 ➔ Variance-based sensitivity analysis
- Decompose variance  $V(Y)$

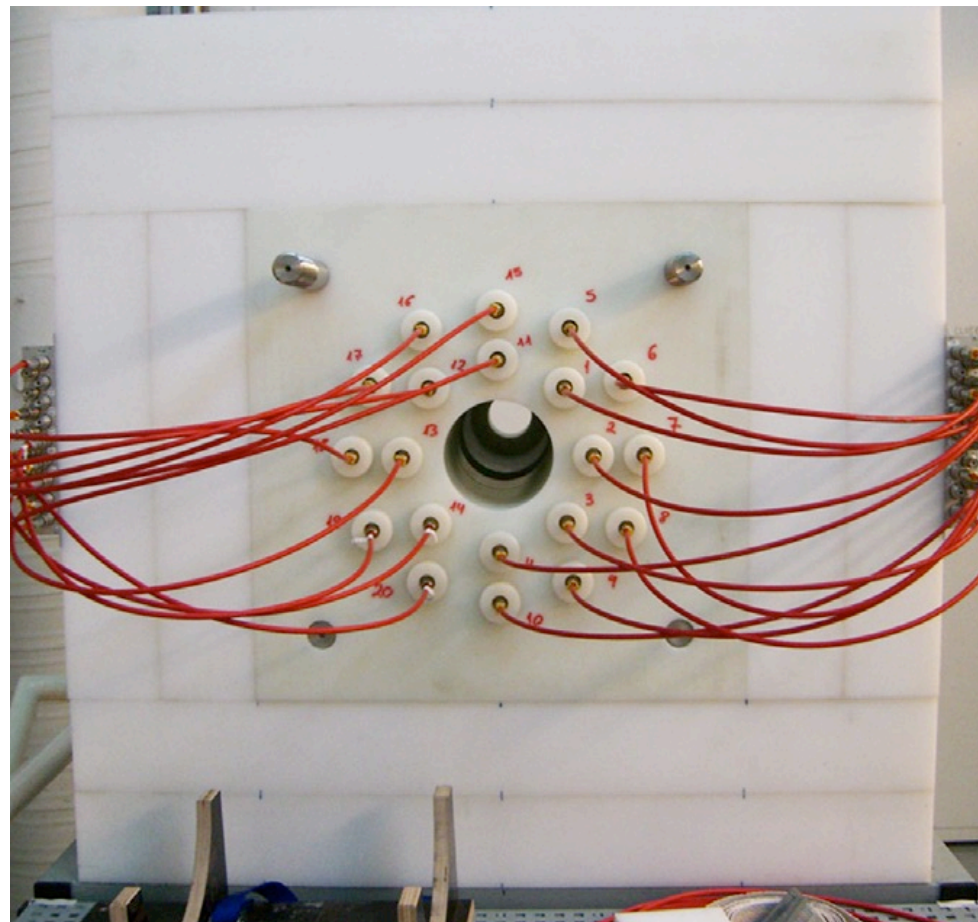
$$V(Y) = \sum_i V_i^{(1)} + \sum_i \sum_{j>i} V_{ij}^{(2)} + \dots + V_{12\dots k}^{(k)}$$

Variance (propagated uncertainty) from each uncertain input

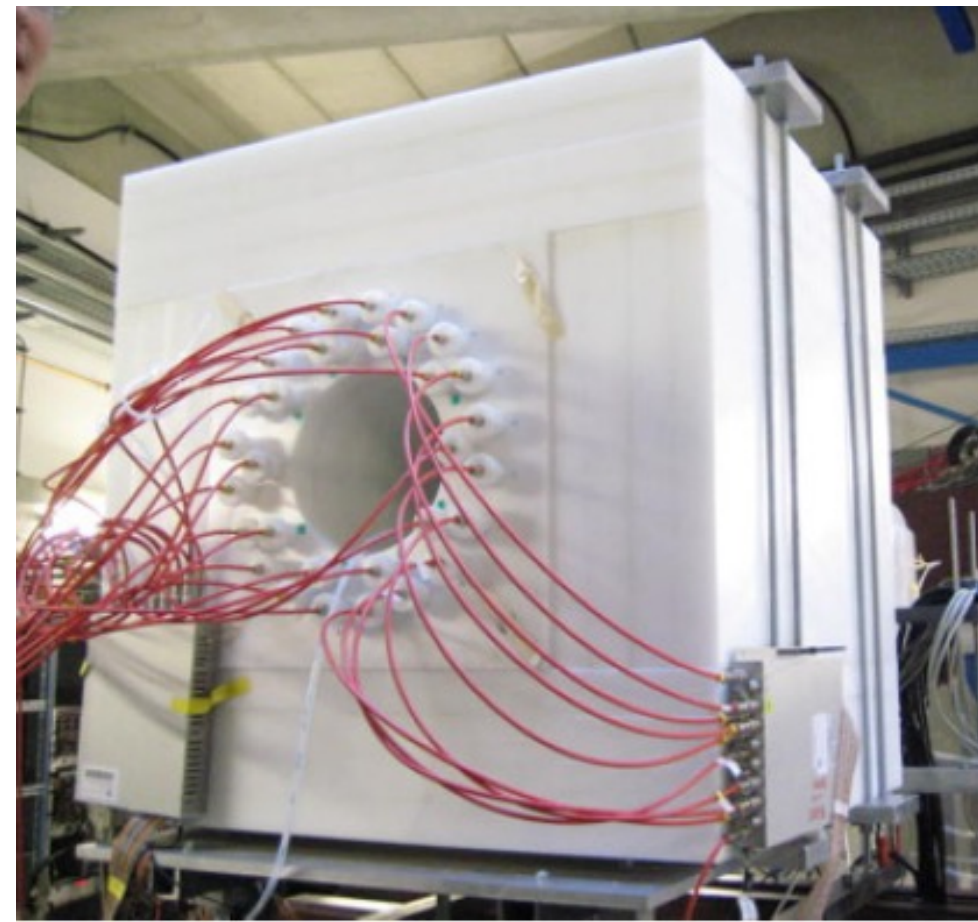


and compute Monte Carlo estimate of first-order sensitivity:  $S_i^{(1)} = \frac{V_i^{(1)}}{V(Y)}$

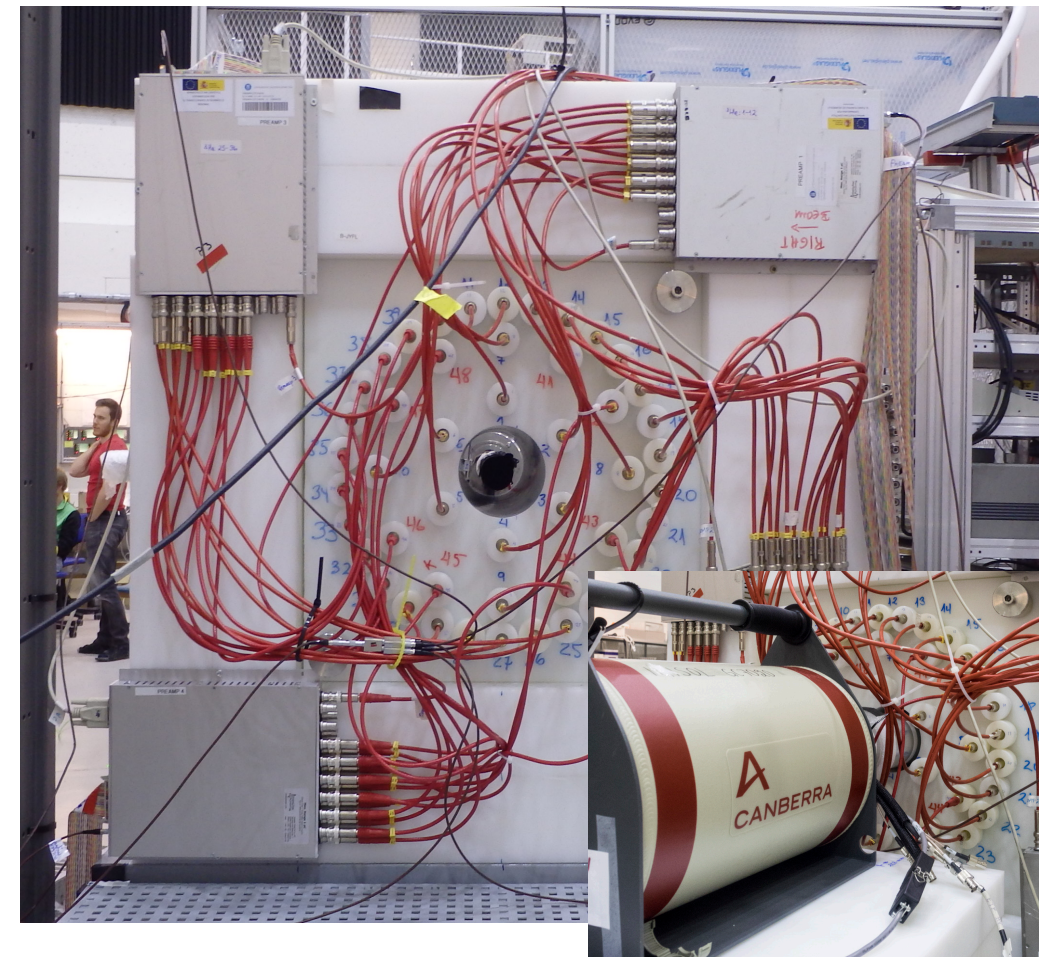
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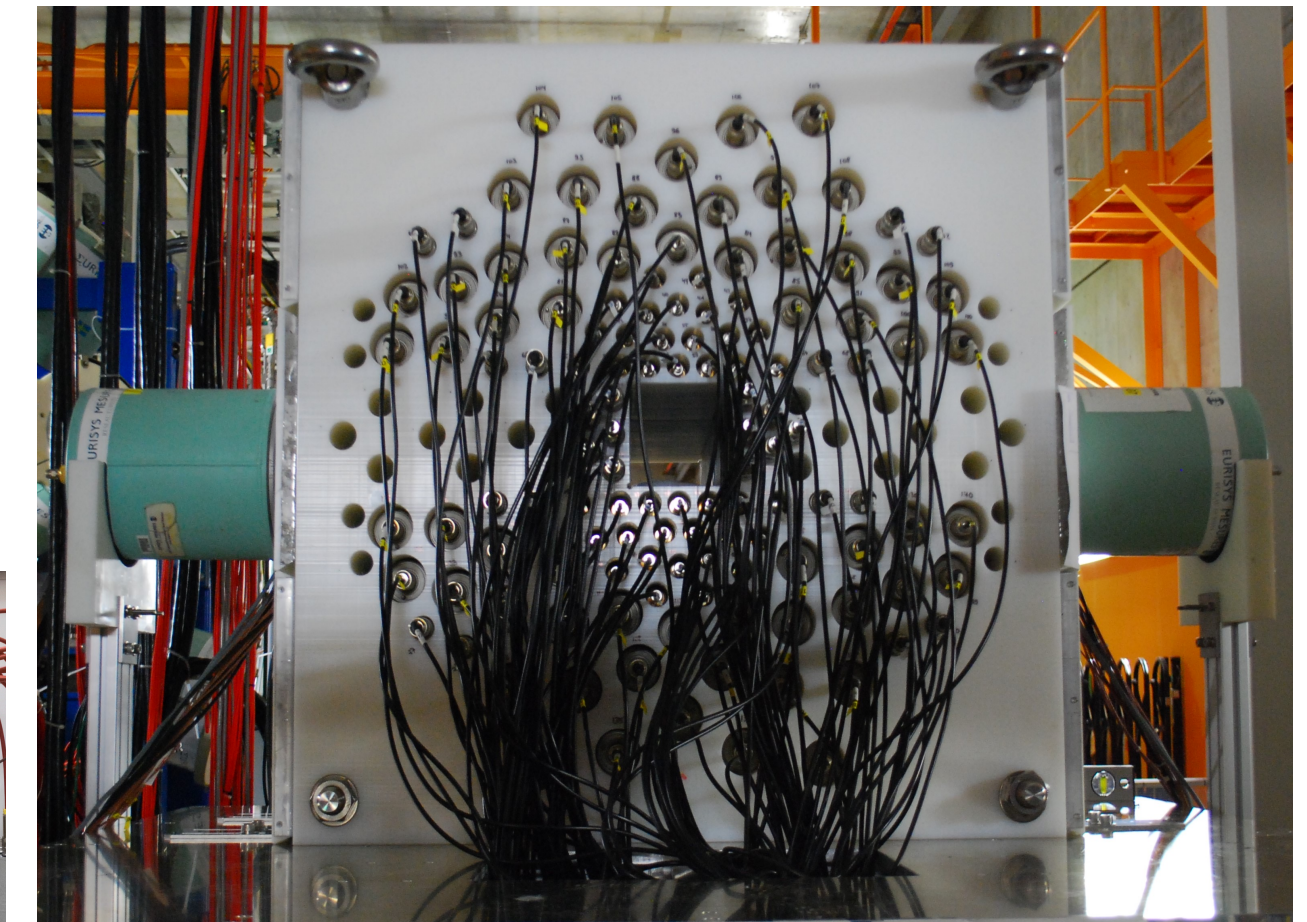
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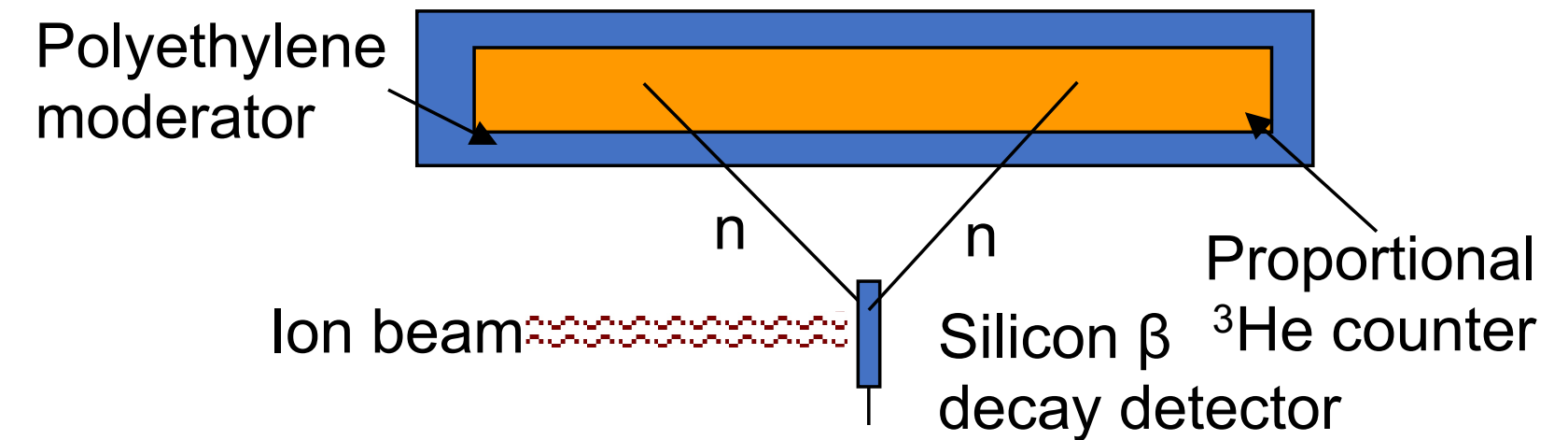
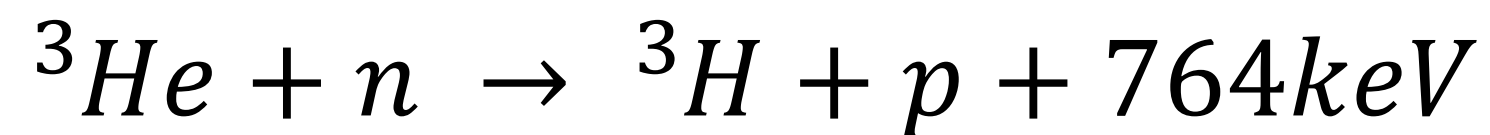
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FRS (2011).  
 $\epsilon_{1n} \approx 38\%$



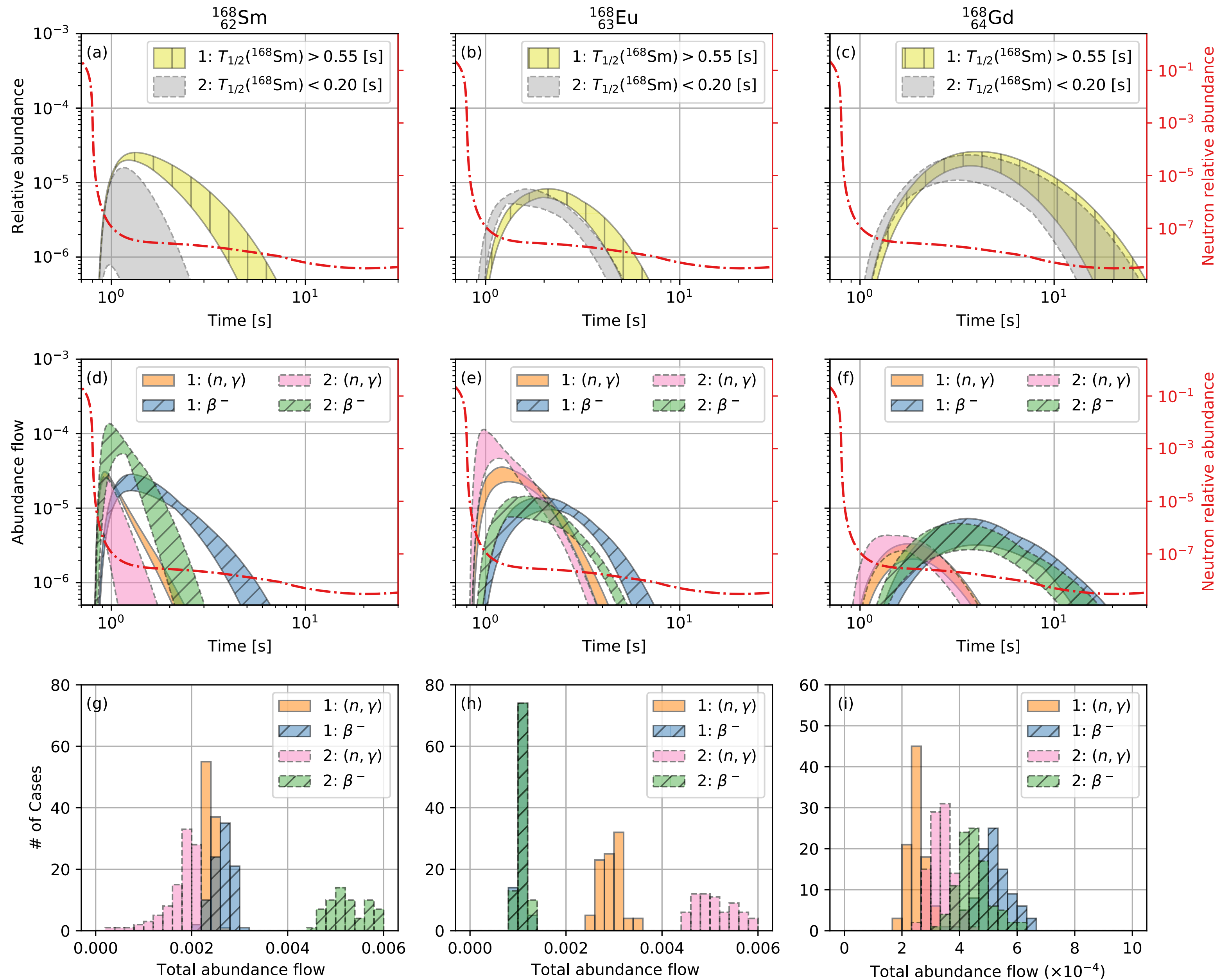
48  $^3\text{He}$  counters in  
3 rings. IGISOL  
Jyväskylä (2014).  
 $\epsilon_{1n} \approx 40\%$  (HPGe)  
 $\epsilon_{1n} \approx 60\%$



140  $^3\text{He}$  counters in  
7 rings.  
BRIKEN (2016...)  
 $\epsilon_{1n} \approx 68.6\%$  (HPGe)



All efficiencies are up to 1MeV, beam hole and counter location dependant.



# Variance decomposition and Sensitivity indices

$$V(Y) = \sum_i V_i^{(1)} + \sum_i \sum_{j>i} V_{ij}^{(2)} + \cdots + V_{12\dots k}^{(k)},$$

$$1 = \sum_i S_i^{(1)} + \sum_i \sum_{j>i} S_{ij}^{(2)} + \cdots + S_{12\dots k}^{(k)},$$

$$\text{Where } S_i^{(1)} = \frac{V_i}{V(Y)}$$

Monte Carlo estimator:  $\hat{S}_i^{(1)} = \frac{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N f(\mathbf{A})_j \left( f(\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{A}}^{[i]})_j - f(\mathbf{B})_j \right)}{\hat{V}(Y)},$