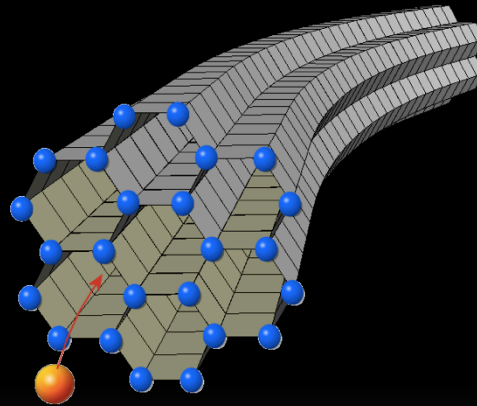


# Ion channeling at intermediate energies:

- Experiments at GANIL and GSI
- Beam bending simulations

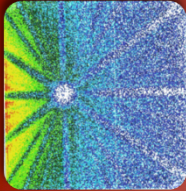


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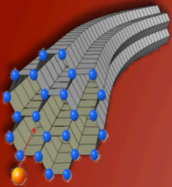
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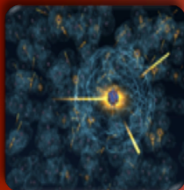
1. Introduction



2. Heavy ion experiments



3. Proton and C ion bending simulations



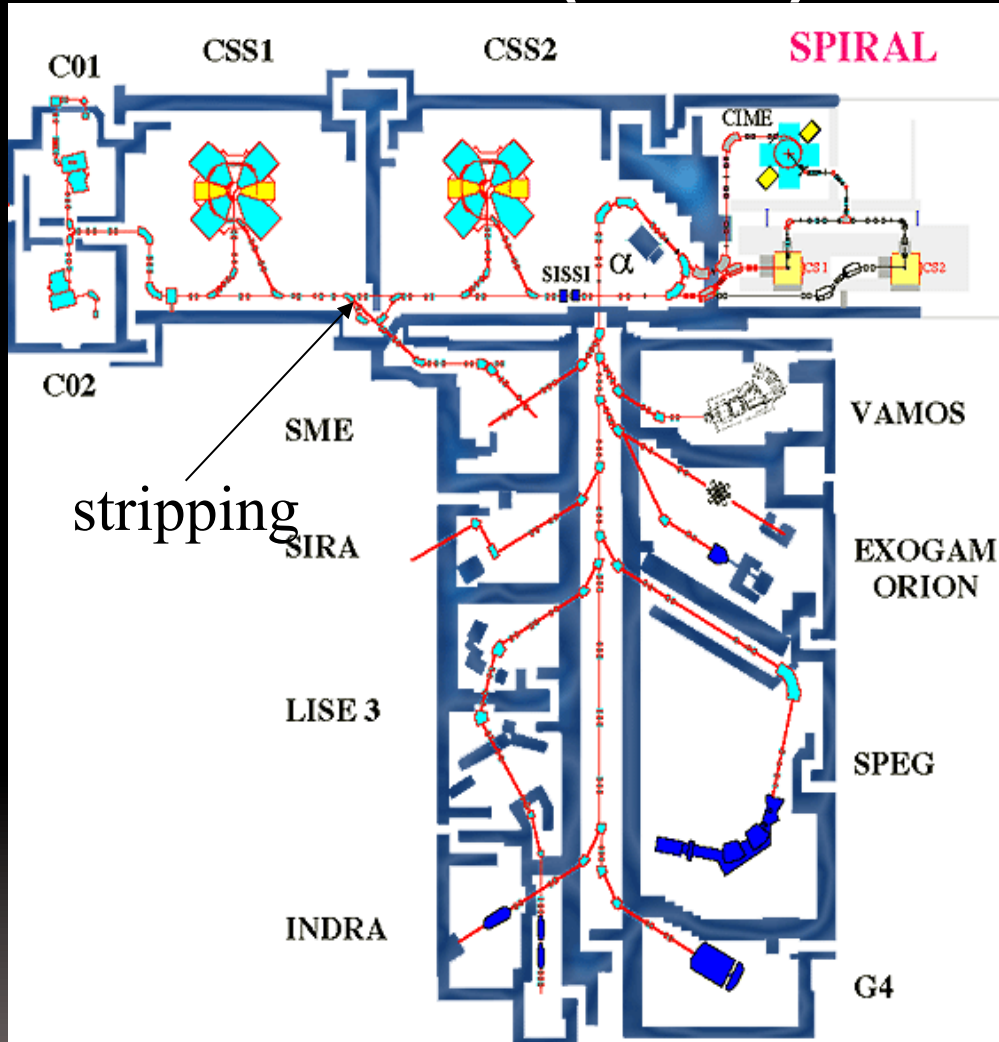
4. Conclusion

# Introduction

## Ion channeling at intermediate energies

- Ions: protons to uranium
- Energies: from 10 to 400 MeV/u
  - ✓ No or little relativistic effects
  - ✓ Fast ions:  $v \gg v_0$ , but  $v \sim v_0 Z^{1/3}$  : Charge exchange
- Channeling: effects related to ion-electron interaction:
  - ✓ Energy loss
  - ✓ Impact parameter dependent charge exchange
  - ✓ Blocking : lifetime during nuclear reactions
- Critical angles  $\sim 1$  mrad
  - ✓ Large bending radii: large angle deflection with bent crystals

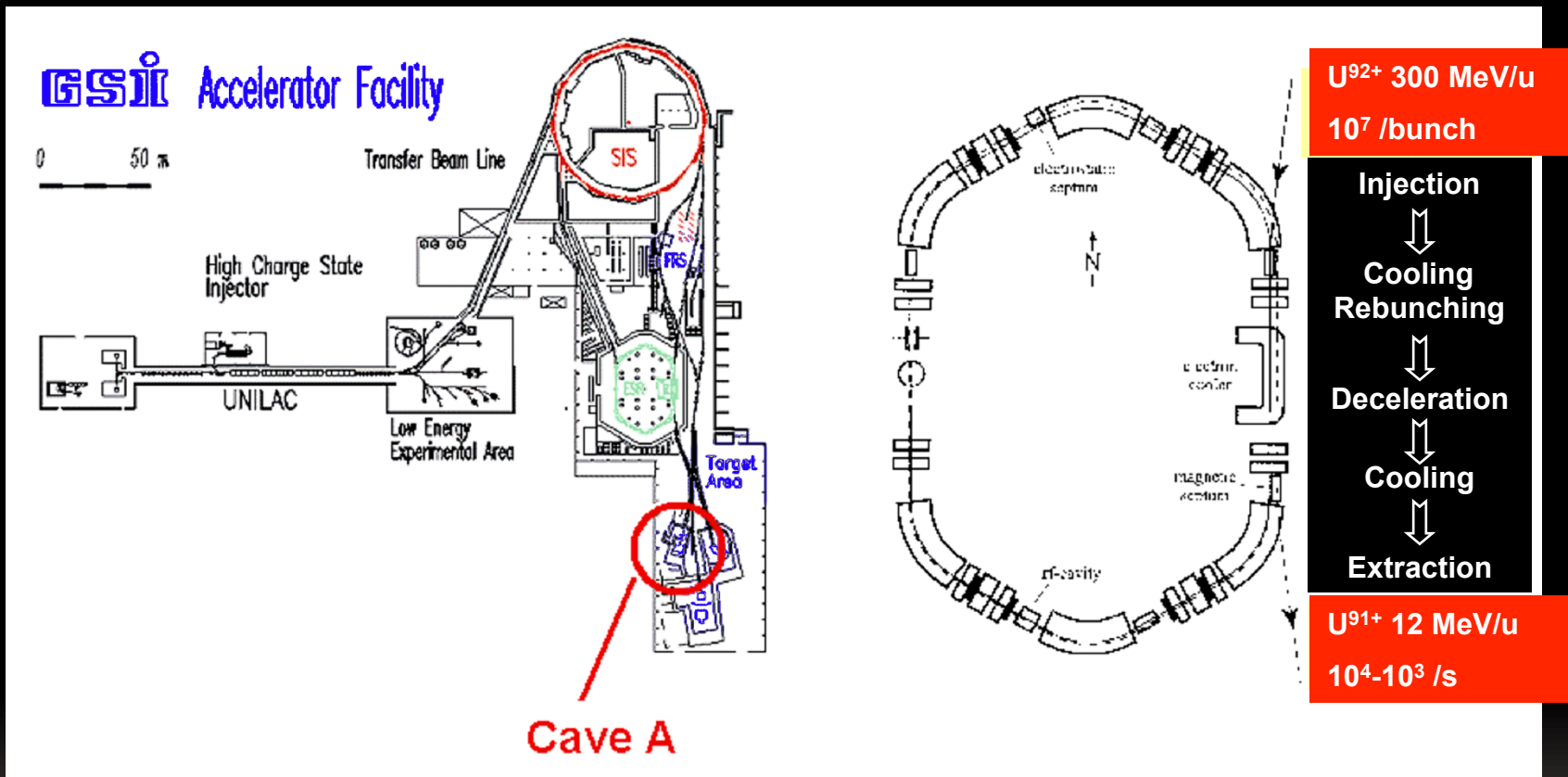
# GANIL (Caen)



High energy  
Ar: 95 MeV/u  
Kr: 60 MeV/u  
Pb<sup>56+</sup>: 29 MeV/u

Stripping before last acceleration stage: ions with electrons in excess

# SIS - ESR at GSI (Darmstadt)



## H-like ion beams:

$$U^{91+} \ 20 \text{ MeV/u: } \eta_K = (v/v_K)^2 \approx 0.085, \eta_L \approx 0.35, \eta_M \approx 0.8$$

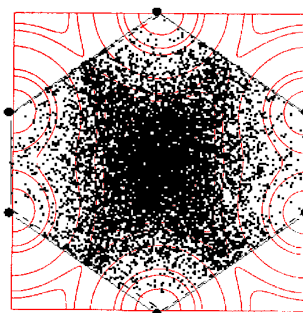
$$U^{91+} \ 12 \text{ MeV/u: } \eta_K \approx 0.051, \eta_L \approx 0.21, \eta_M \approx 0.48$$

Stripping before deceleration: ions lacking of electrons

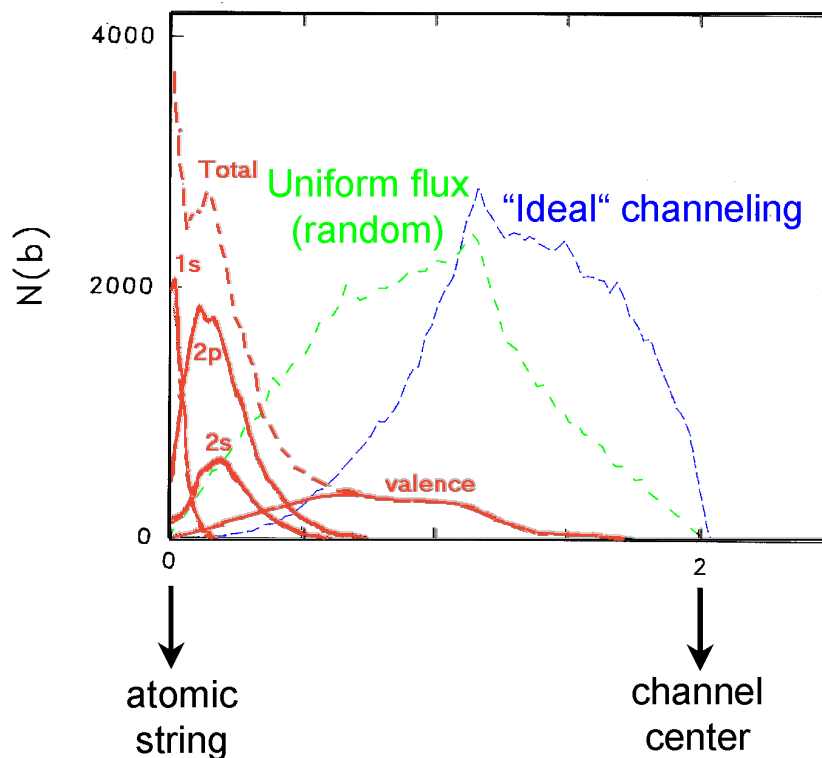
# Ion channeling

## interaction with the non-uniform electron gas

Flux redistribution simulation



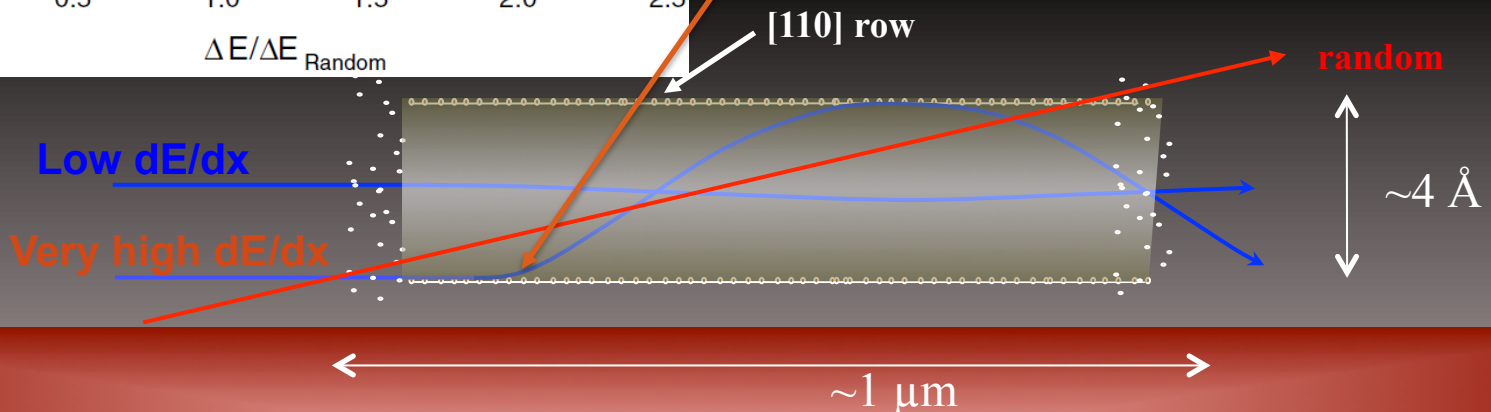
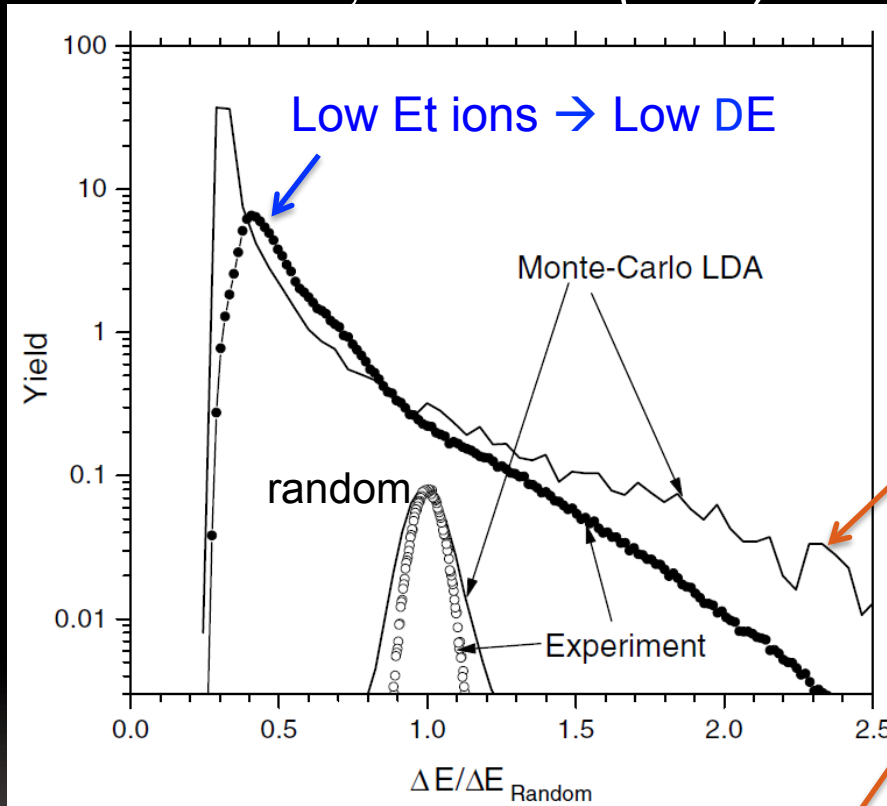
Silicon  
<110>



# Energy loss

Pb 29 MeV/u on Si <110> 1.1  $\mu\text{m}$  (GANIL: SPEG spectrometer)

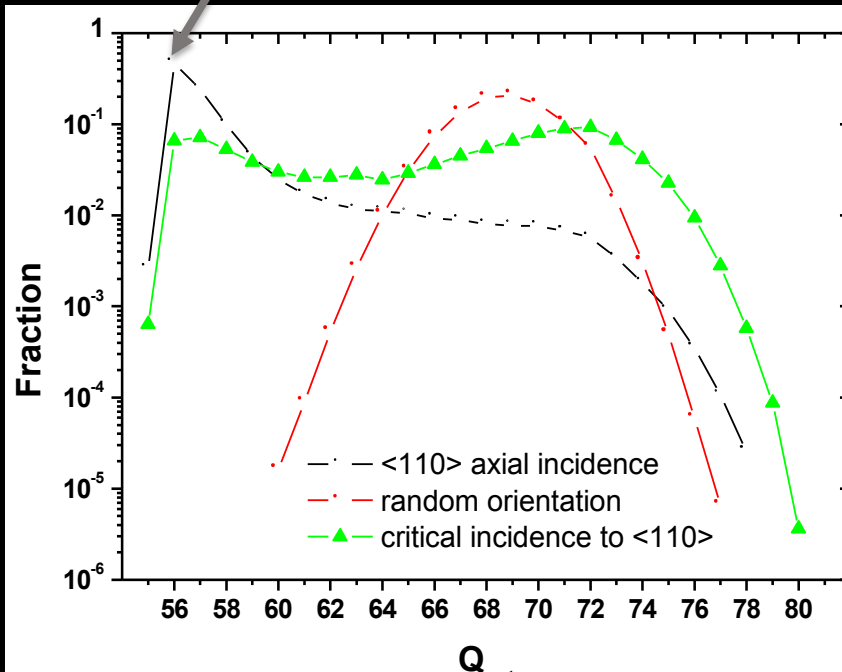
*L'Hoir et al., NIMB 245(2006)1*



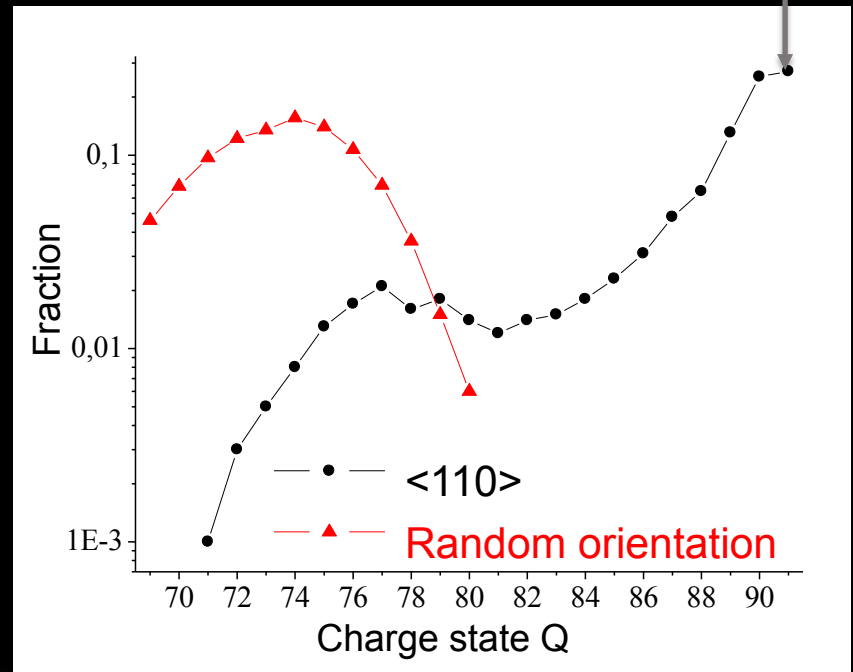


# Charge state distributions (Magnetic spectrometers)

Pb<sup>56+</sup> 29 MeV/u [?] 1.1 μm Si (GANIL)



U<sup>91+</sup> 20 MeV/u [?] 11.7 μm Si (GSI)



## Incident ions far from charge equilibrium

- **“Random” orientations:** 3-body capture (MEC) and Nuclear Impact Ionization [?] Equilibrium
- Axial orientation :  $F(Q_{out})$  linked to  $F(E^-)$   
Broad distributions, large “frozen” ion fraction

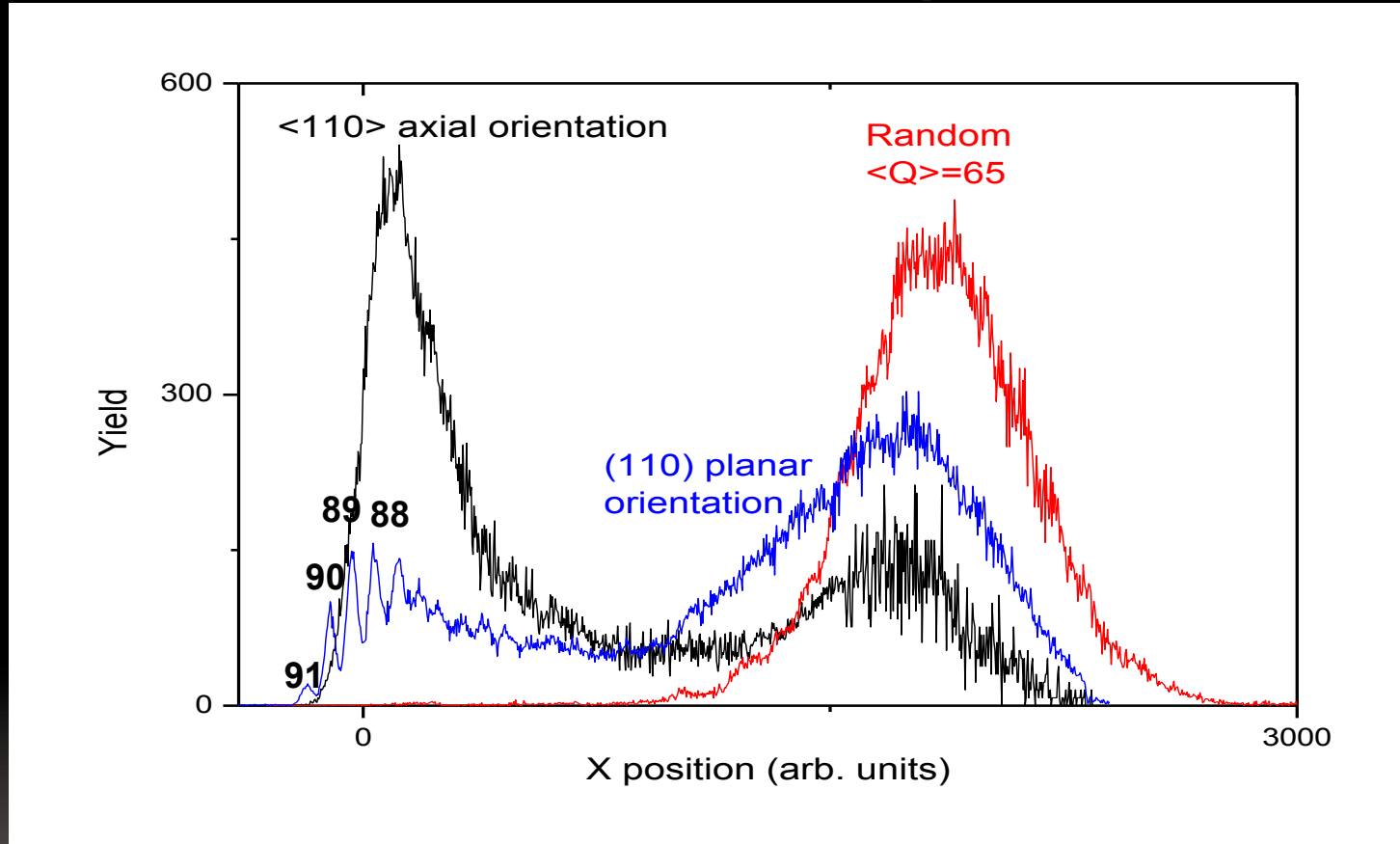
**Superdensity effect:**  $Q_{out} > Q_{out}(random)$ , enhanced ionization close to strings

**Critical incidence :**  $Y \sim Y_c$  : superdensity effect maximum



# Deceleration of highly charged uranium ions in a silicon crystal

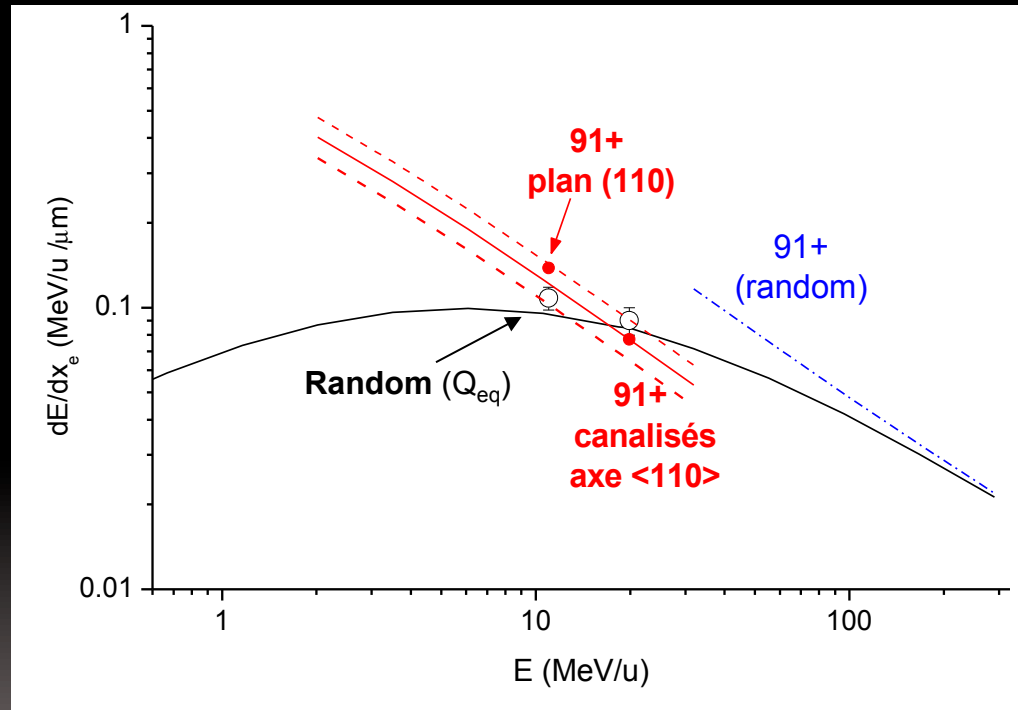
$U^{91+}$  12 MeV/u @ 18  $\mu\text{m}$  Si



Frozen transmitted  $U^{91+}$  ions  $\sim 0.3\%$  for (110) planar channeling  
 $\sim 1.5\%$  for <110> axial channeling

# Crystal deceleration of heavy ions

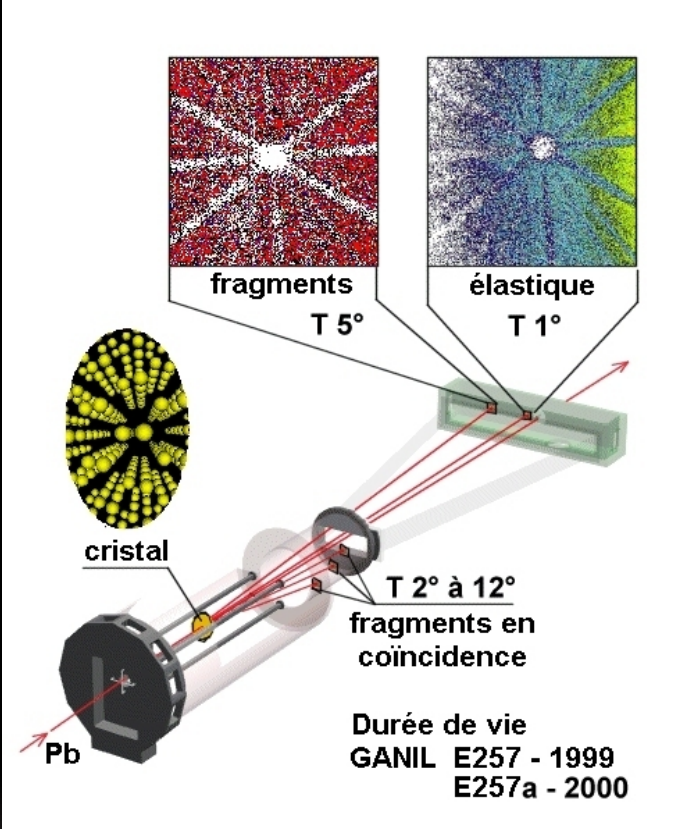
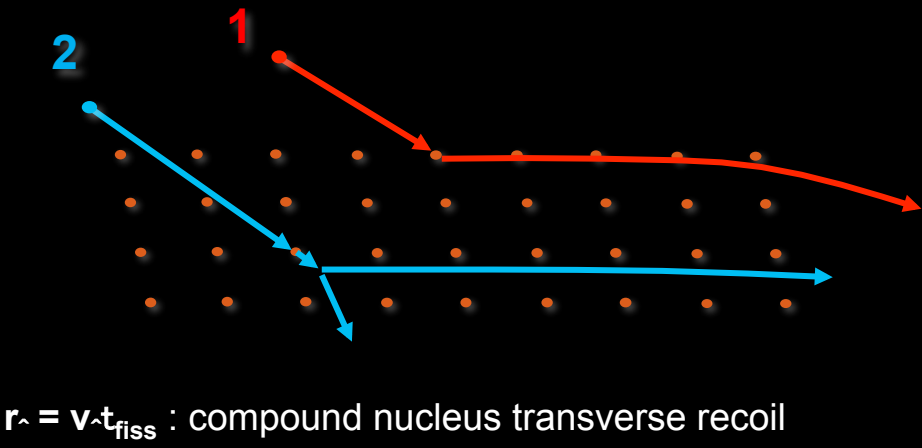
- 12 MeV/u  $U^{91+}$  deceleration in 18  $\mu\text{m}$  Si
  - Ion transmission  $U^{91+} \sim 0.3\%$ ;  $E_{\text{final}} = 9.4$  MeV/u (110) plane
  - $E(110) = 2.6$  MeV/u >  $E(\text{random}) = 1.9$  MeV/u



*C. Ray et al., Physical Review B 84 (2011) 024119*



# Fission time measurement by crystal blocking

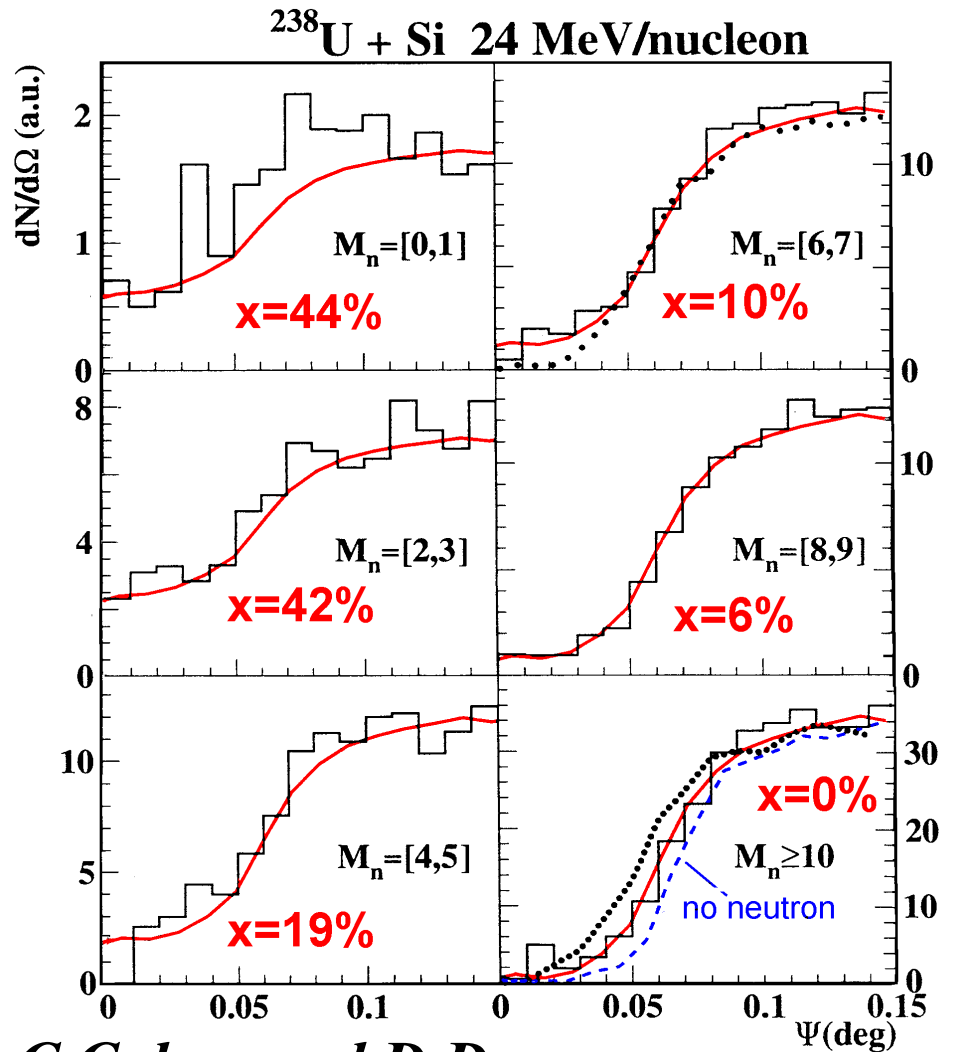


## ■ Fission time measurement

- Long time [?] filling of the blocking dip
- simulations [?] long time fraction

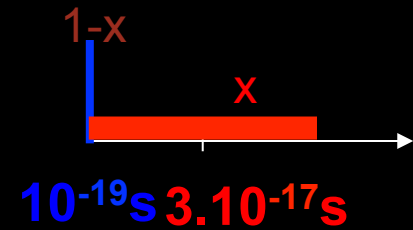


# Uranium fission times as a function of excitation energy

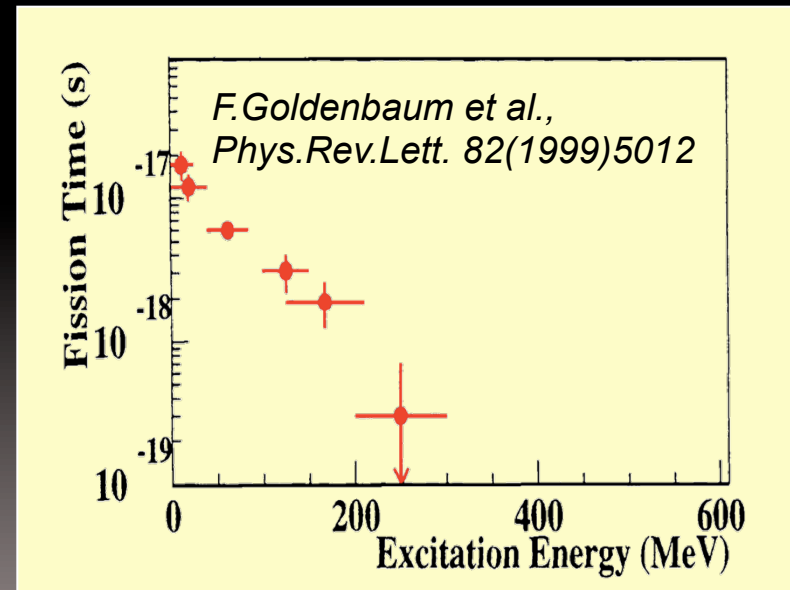


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$x$  = long time component fraction deduced from simulated dips



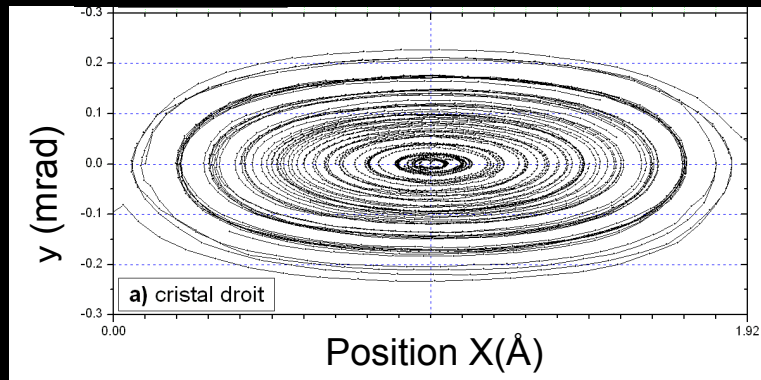
# Simulations

Full trajectory simulations are needed for:

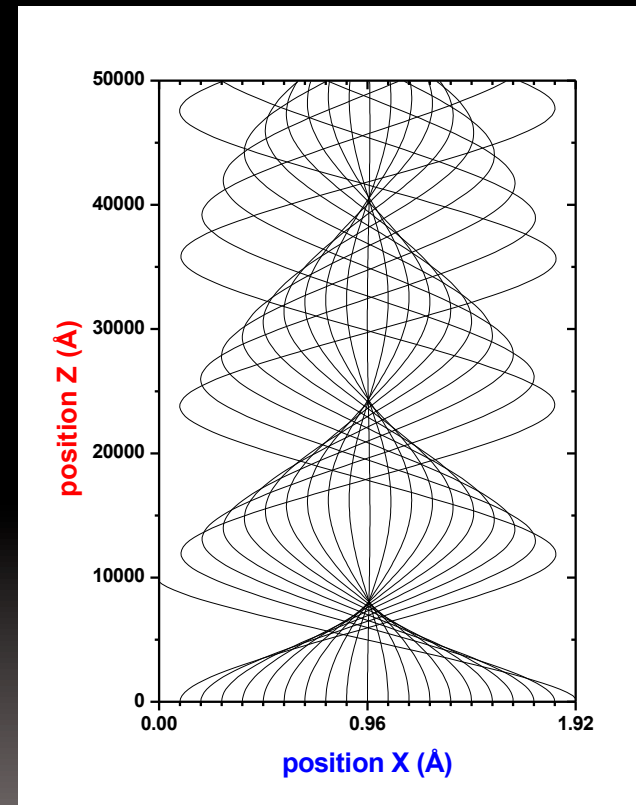
- Blocking experiments
  - ✓ Delayed neutron evaporation by fragments inside crystal
  - ✓ Angle at exit is required
- Energy loss or charge exchange when correlated collision dynamics play a role
  - ✓ Superdensity effect
- Dechanneling in thick crystals
  - ✓ Bent crystals

# Planar channeling trajectory simulations

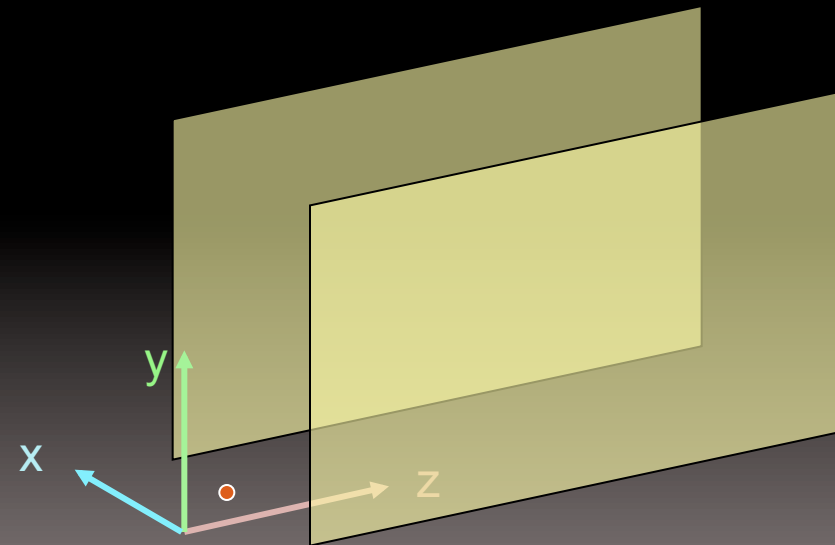
$^{12}\text{C}$  @ 400 MeV/u  $[\text{?}]$  Si ; L = 5  $\mu\text{m}$



## Oscillation between 2 planes

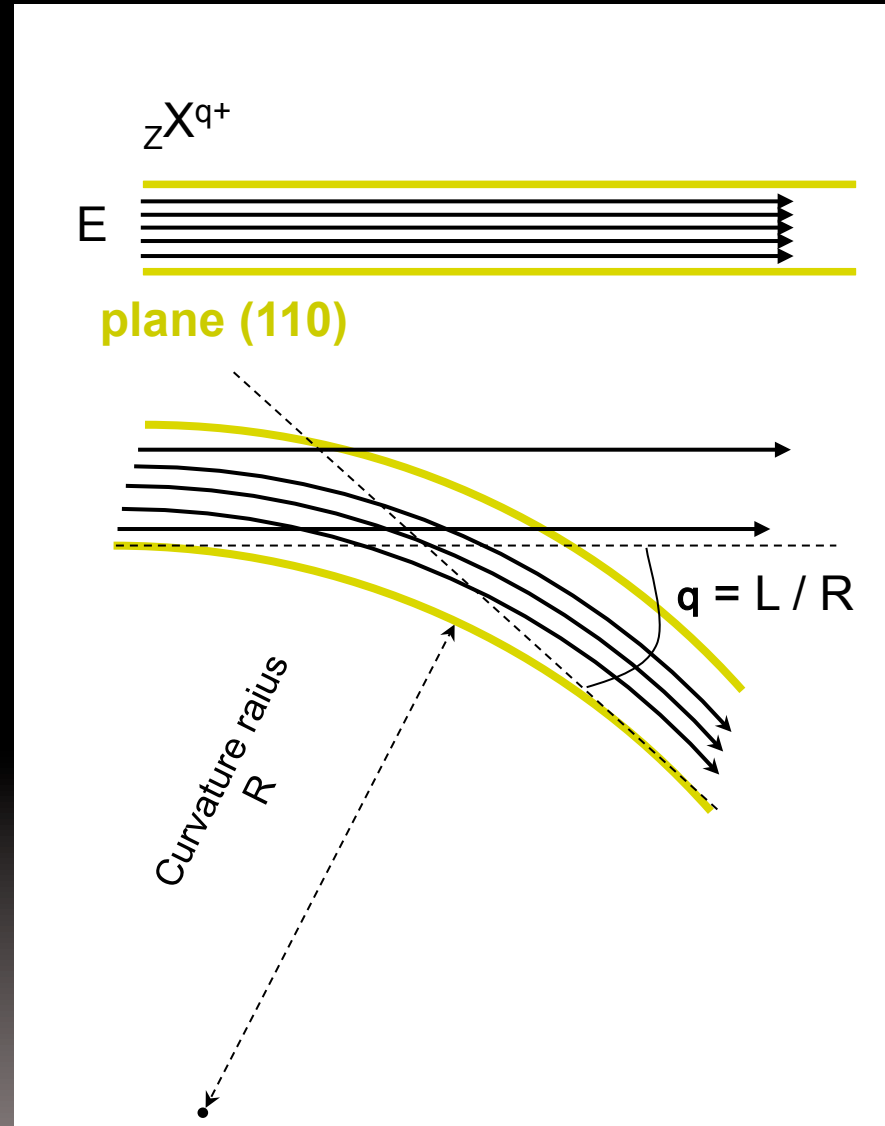


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# Bent crystal : a minimal overview

- First experiments  
70's – and 80's
  - High energies and small deviations
    - Proton 70 GeV, 450 GeV  
 $q$  : 80 mrad ( $4^\circ$ )
    - $\text{Pb}^{82+}$  : 22 – 33 TeV  
 $q$  : 4-9 mrad ( $0.2-0.5^\circ$ )
    - Proton 3,5,10 MeV  
 $q$  : 1 mrad ( $0.08^\circ$ )
    - Proton 7 TeV  
 $q$  : 2-20  $\mu\text{rad}$  ( $0.1-1 \times 10^{-3}^\circ$ )

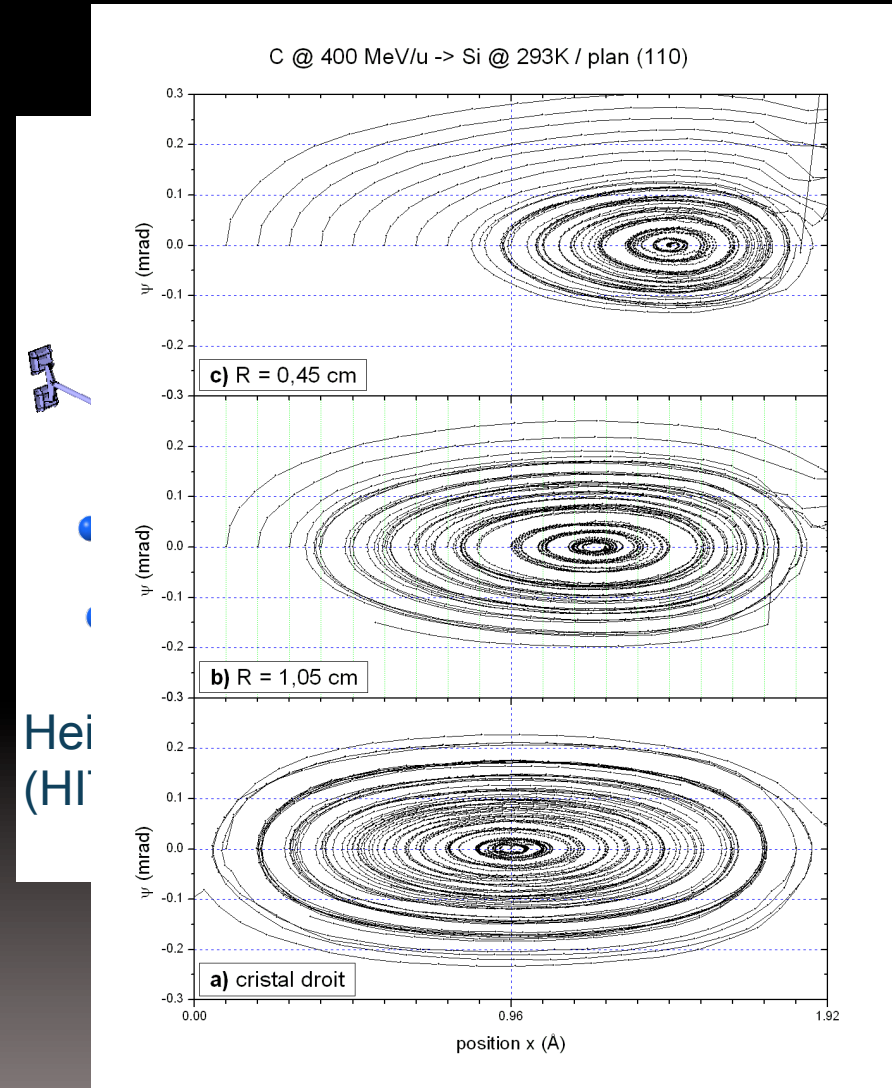




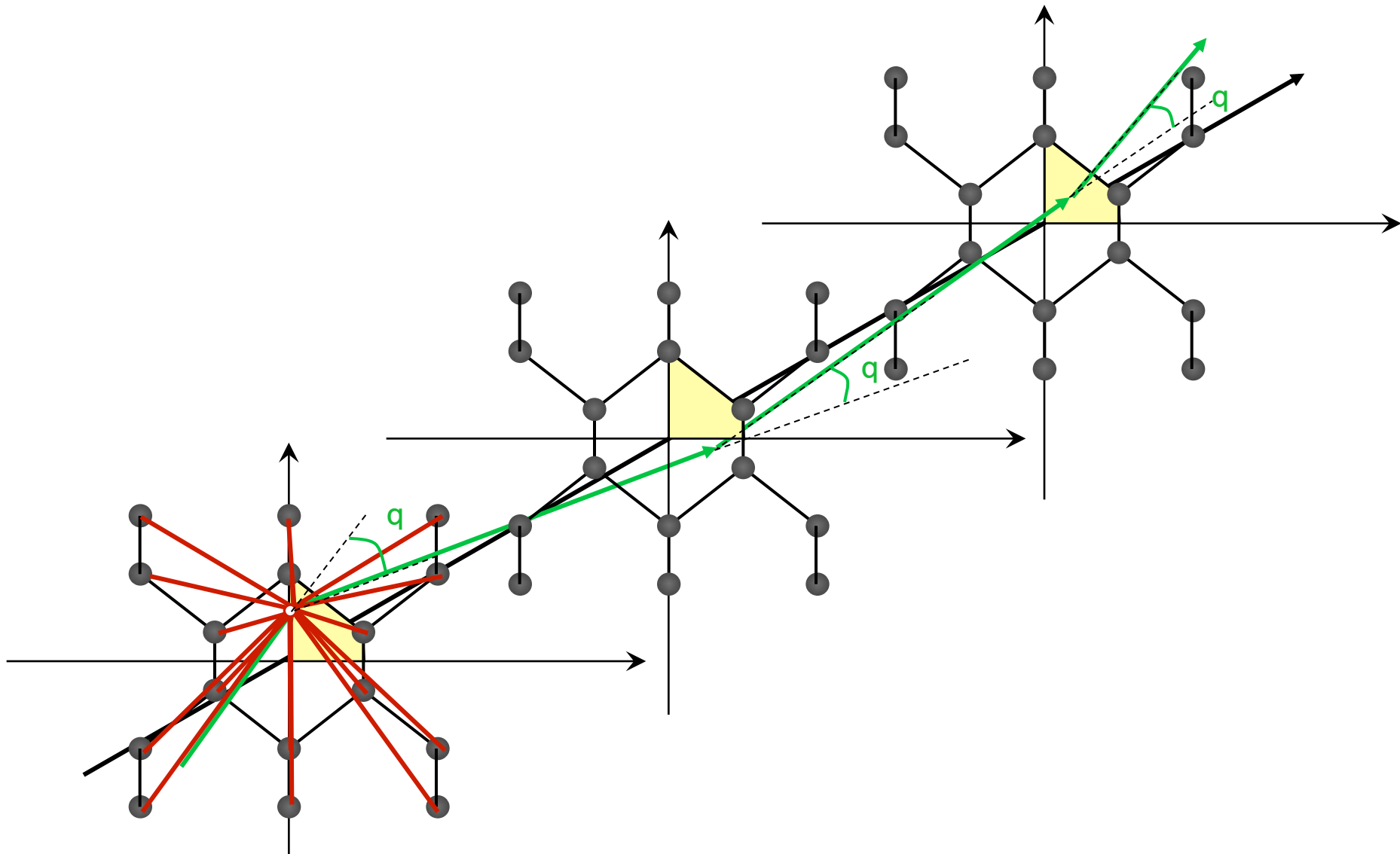
# Ion therapy applications ?

- Medical constraints
  - Multi entrance ports
  - No rotation of the patient
- « Gantry »
  - Beam deviation
- Carbon gantry ~ 600t (proton ~30t)
  - ➔ bent crystal <1g
    - Large deviations
      - 45° ? 90° ?
    - Ion survival yield
- Curvature influence
  - Critical radius ( $R_c$ )

$^{12}\text{C}$  @ 400 MeV/u [?] Si ; L= 5  $\mu\text{m}$

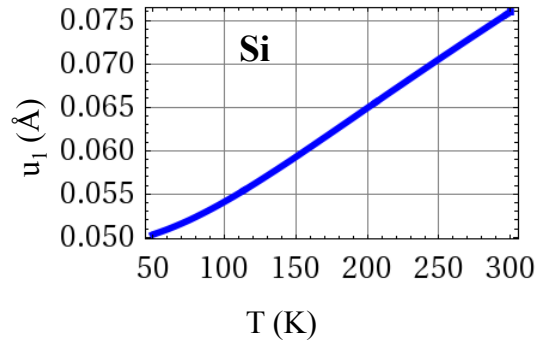
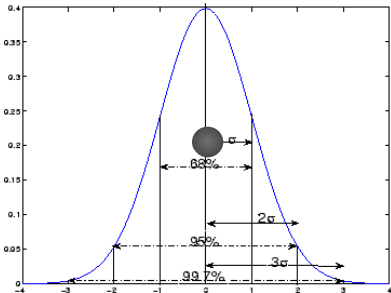


# Monte Carlo simulations

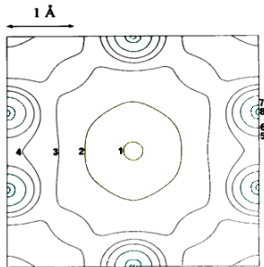


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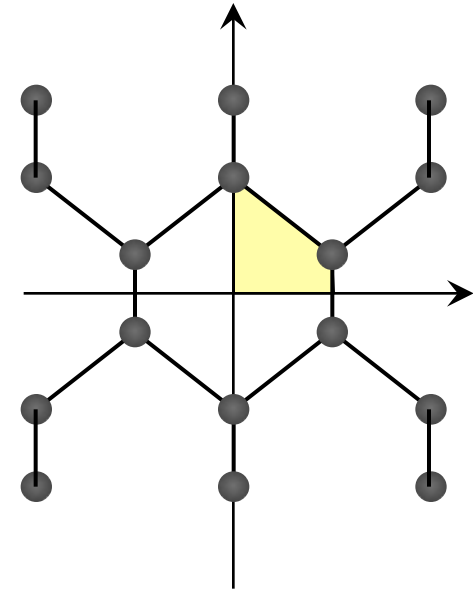
- Thermal vibration



- Electronic local density



- Use of the crystal symmetry



- Energy loss

$$\frac{dE}{dx} \propto 1/v^2$$

- Multiple scattering on electrons

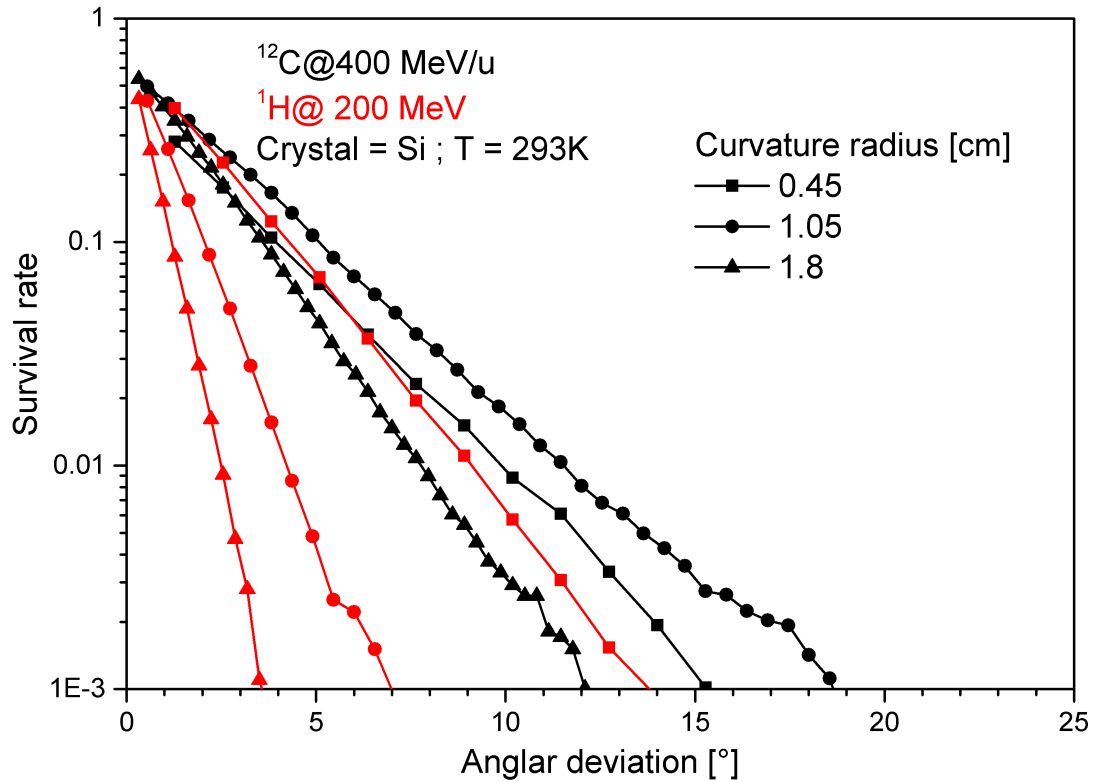
$$\left\langle \frac{d\Omega^2}{dz} \right\rangle = \frac{m_e}{2 \cdot E \cdot m_1} \cdot \left( \frac{dE}{dx} \right)_{Rd} \cdot \frac{\rho(z)}{\rho_{Rd}}$$

- Relativistic speed



# Simulation results

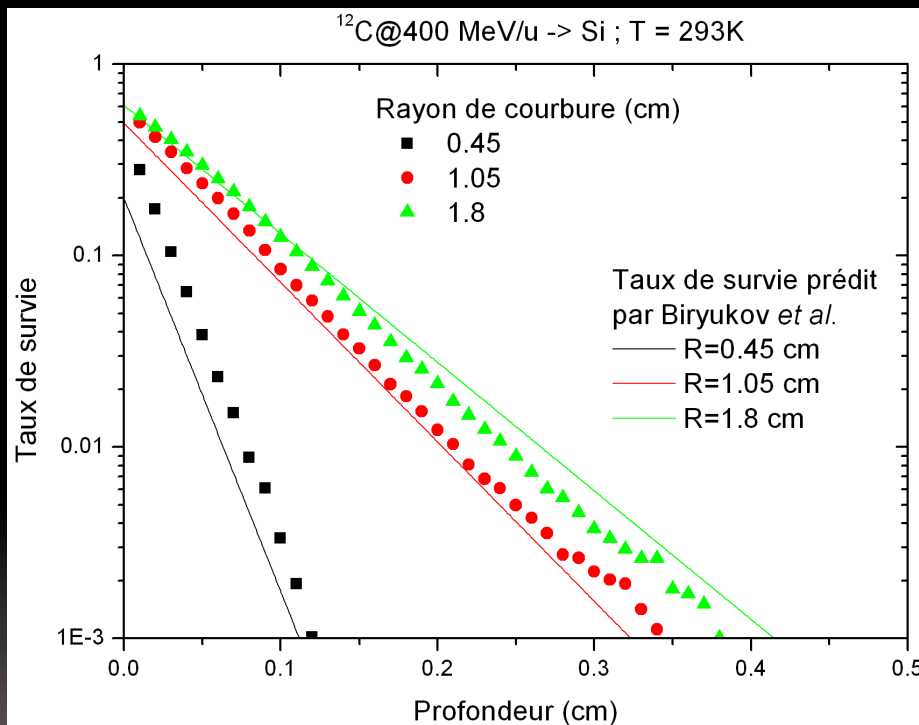
Survival : -  $\theta_c < \text{angle} < \theta_c$  relative to crystal plane



# Simulation results

## Comparison with predictions

$^{12}\text{C}$  @ 400MeV/u



$$T(\theta, R_C / R) = A_S^* \cdot \left(1 - \frac{R_C}{R}\right)^2 \cdot \exp\left[-\frac{L}{L_D \cdot \left(1 - \frac{R_C}{R}\right)^2}\right]$$

L : crystal length

R : bending radius

q : deviation angle

$L_D$  : dechanneling length (from simulation)

$R_C$  : critical bending radius

$$L = R \cdot \theta$$

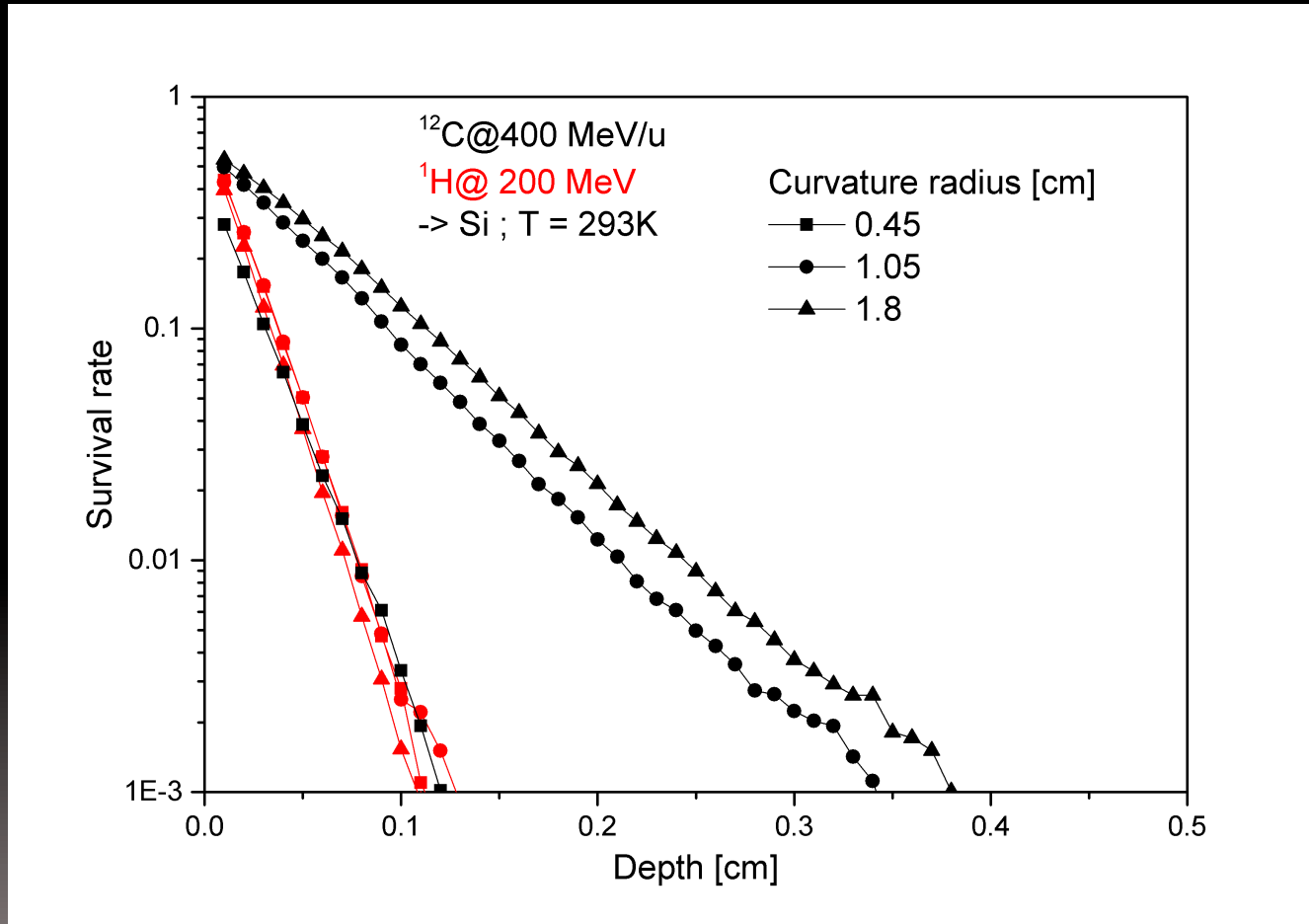
$$R_C = 0,225 \text{ cm}$$

$$L_D = 0,087 \text{ cm}$$



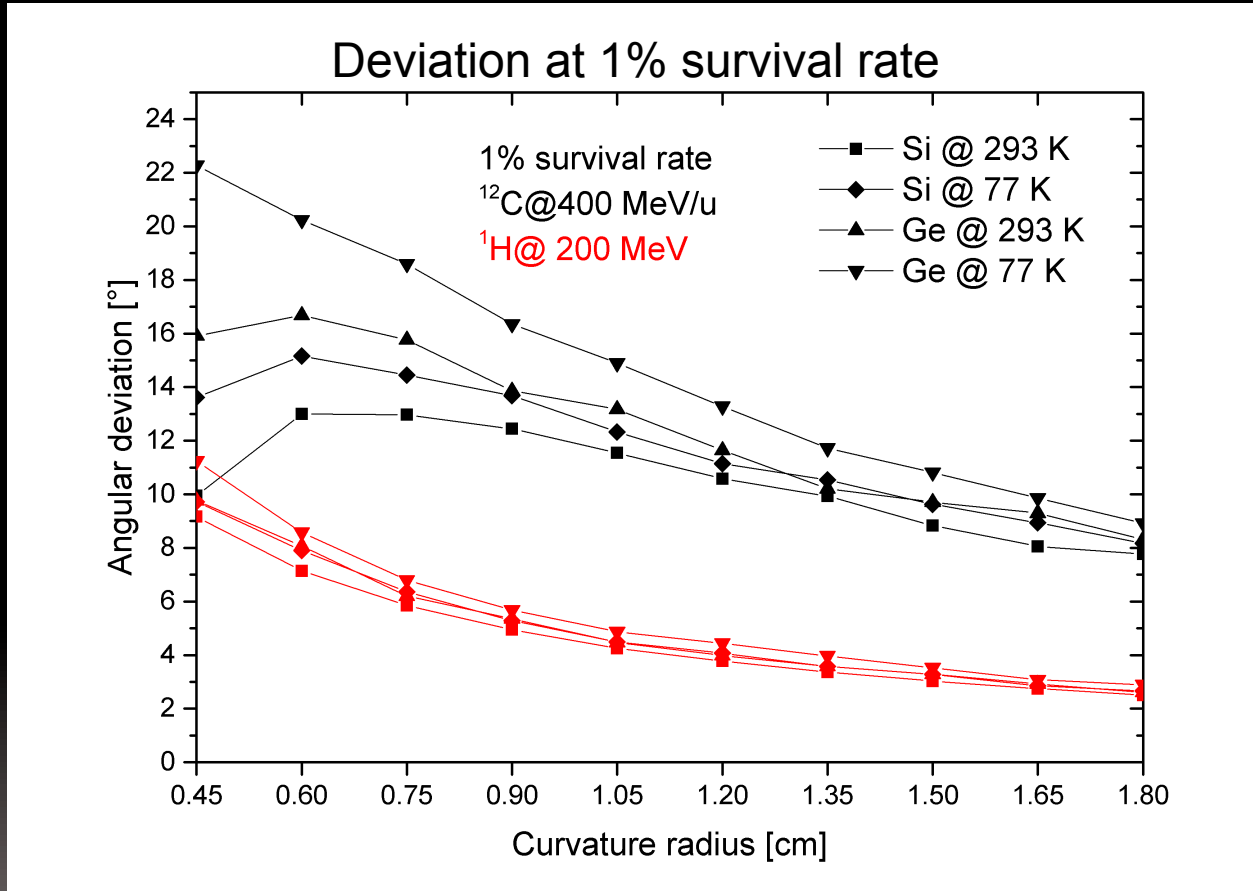
# Simulation results

- Survival rate vs crystal depth



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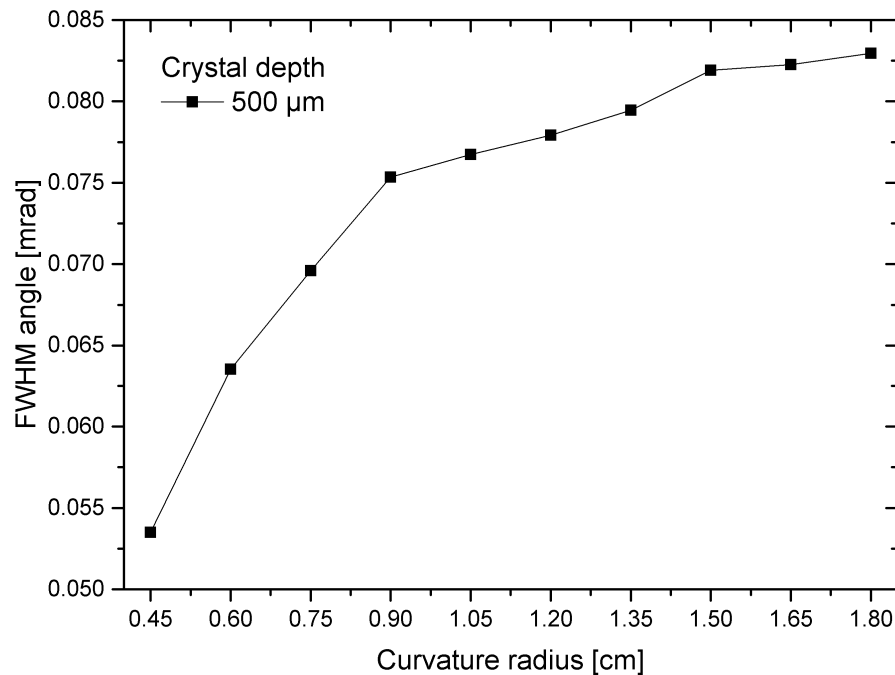
- Influence of crystal type and temperature





# Simulation results

- Angular distribution of surviving ions  
(C ions at 400 MeV/u in Si 293 K)



# Conclusions

- Simulation work based on previous work with heavy ions at GANIL and GSI
- Deflection angles above  $10^\circ$  achievable in planar channeling conditions  
But hardly convenient for demanding applications such as hadrontherapy
- Experiments needed to validate simulations (and extrapolation at higher energies)

