

PIAVE-ALPI ACCELERATOR

Production yields of neutron-rich heavy nuclei in the $^{238}\text{U}+^{124}\text{Sn}$ multinucleon transfer reaction

PRISMA + NOSE + AGATA experiment

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Physics goal

study the A,Z,Q-value distributions and associated σ for the population of nuclei around Z=92 → comparison with state-of-art theories

Exploiting the multinucleon transfer mechanism to get access to neutron-rich regions above and below $Z=92$

Bk	Bk	Bk	Bk	Bk	Bk	Bk	Bk	Bk	Bk	Bk
Cm	Cm	Cm	Cm	Cm	Cm	Cm	Cm	Cm	Cm	Cm
Am	Am	Am	Am	Am	Am	Am	Am	Am	Am	Am
Pu	Pu	Pu	Pu	Pu	Pu	Pu	Pu	Pu	Pu	Pu
Np	Np	Np	Np	Np	Np	Np	Np	Np	Np	Np
U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U
Pa	Pa	Pa	Pa	Pa	Pa	Pa	Pa	Pa	Pa	Pa
Th	Th	Th	Th	Th	Th	Th	Th	Th	Th	Th
Ac	Ac	Ac	Ac	Ac	Ac	Ac	Ac	Ac	Ac	Ac
Ra	Ra	Ra	Ra	Ra	Ra	Ra	Ra	Ra	Ra	Ra
Fr	Fr	Fr	Fr	Fr	Fr	Fr	Fr	Fr	Fr	Fr

$Z > 92$ interesting for

- spectroscopy of neutron-rich transactinides
- fission properties (barriers, mass partitions)

$Z < 92$ interesting for

- octupole deformation
- Electric Dipole Moments (Ra)
- Parity non conservation (Fr)

Exp: big interest in developing advanced techniques for high detection efficiency and high A, Z, Q resolution to get σ and associated nuclear structure information

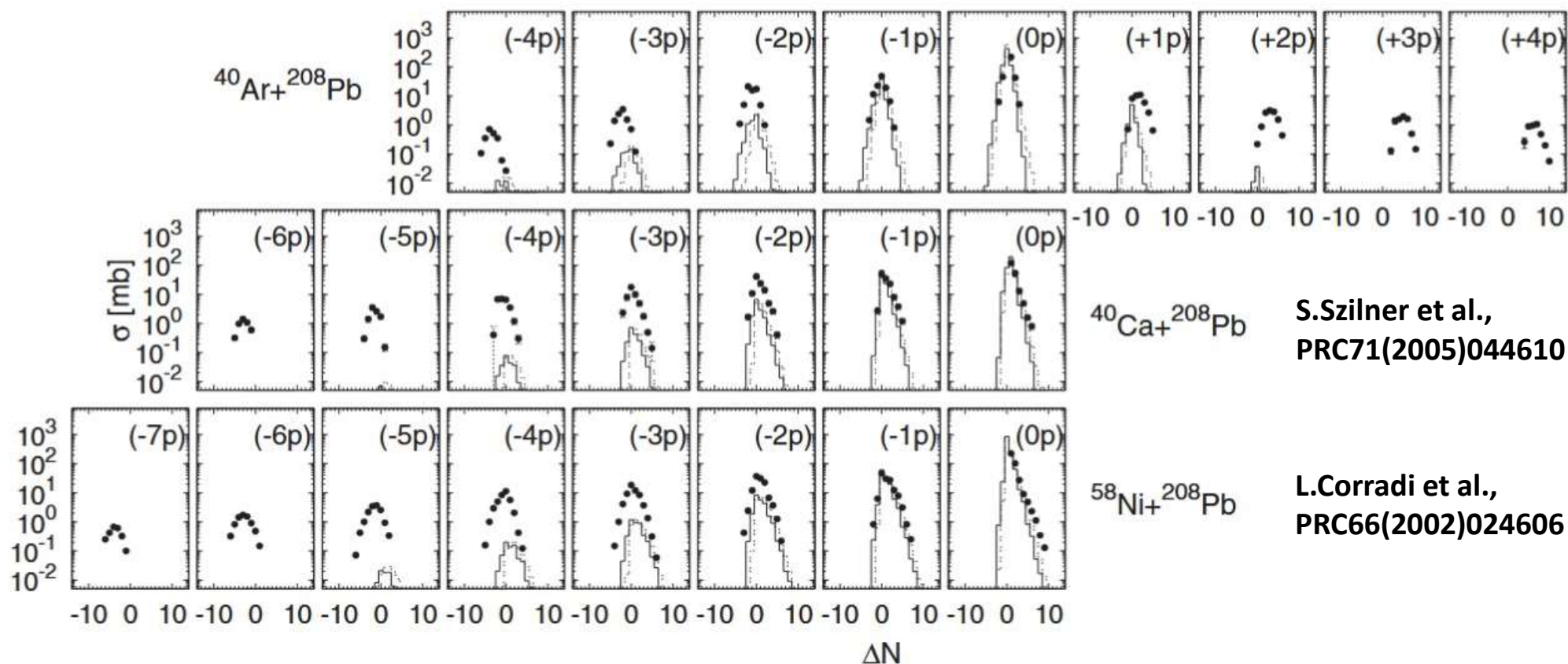
Theory: big interest in developing theories able to predict cross sections and effects of secondary processes (Coupled channel, Semiclassical, TDHF, Langevin, QMD, DNS, EDF)

opening of proton pick-up channels: one textbook example

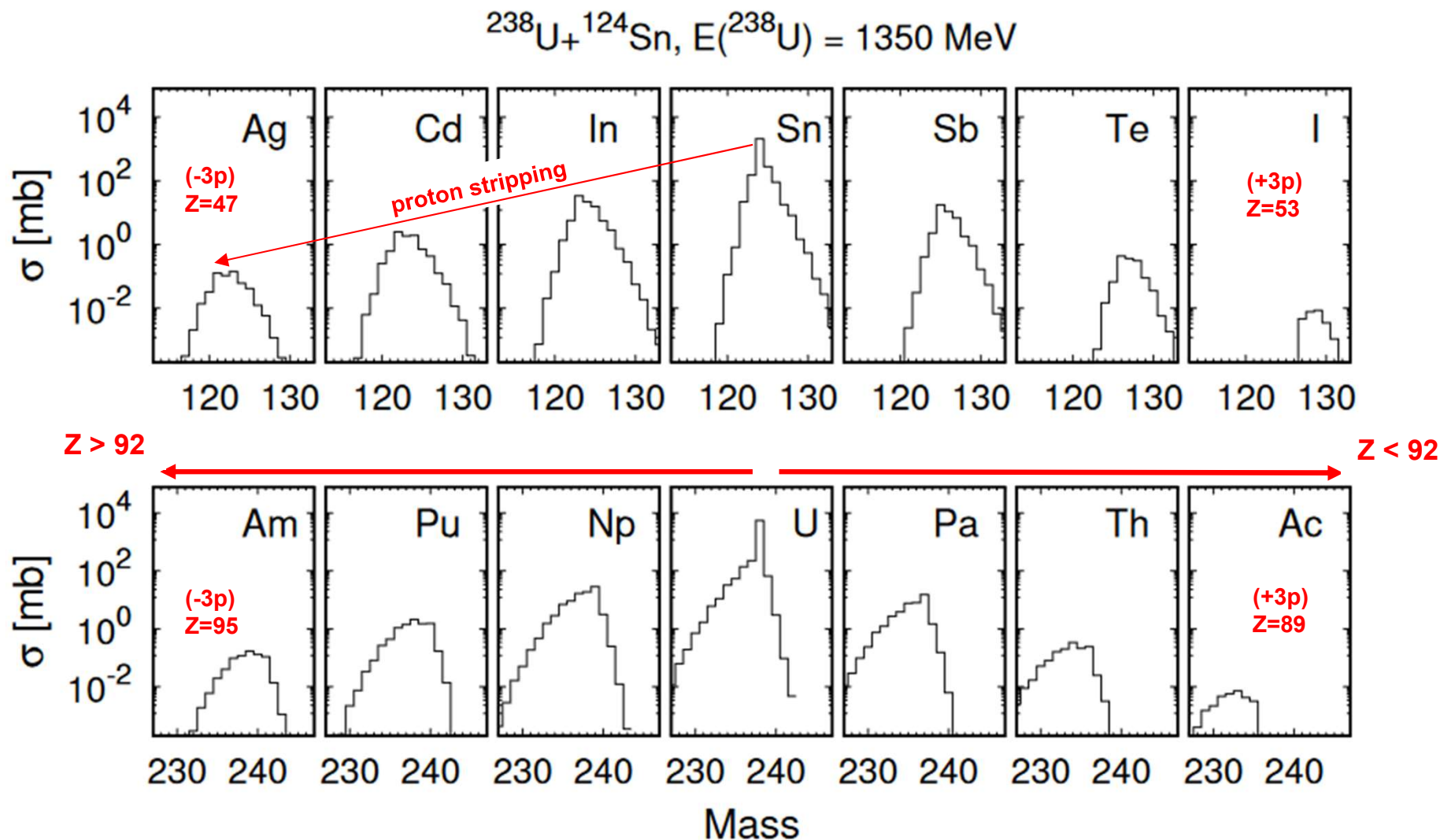
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Multinucleon transfer reactions in the $^{40}\text{Ar} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$ system

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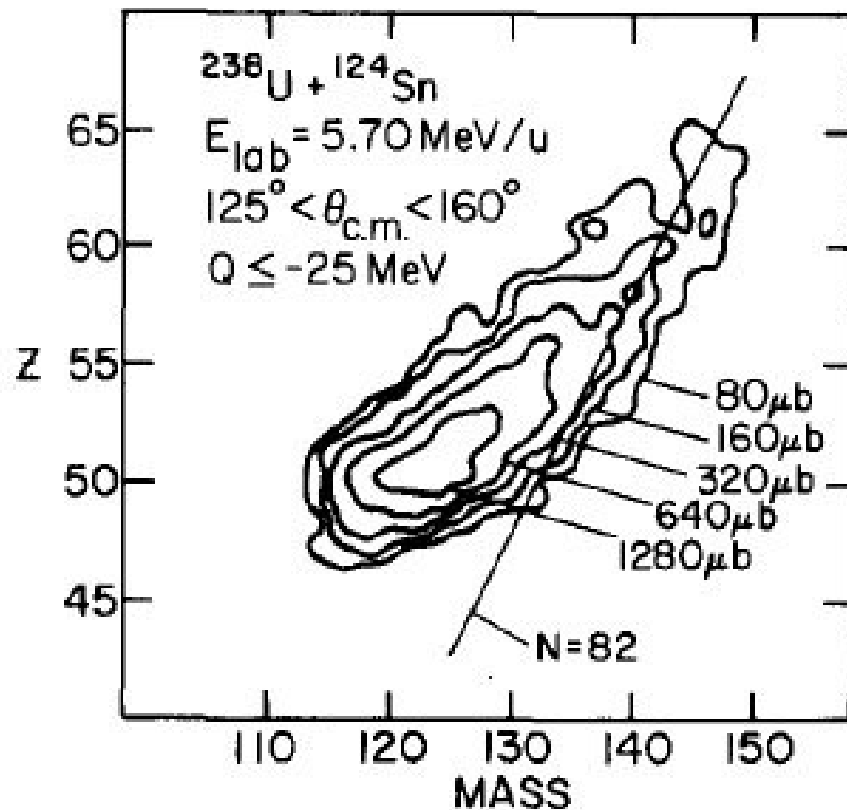


GRAZING cross section predictions for $^{238}\text{U} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$

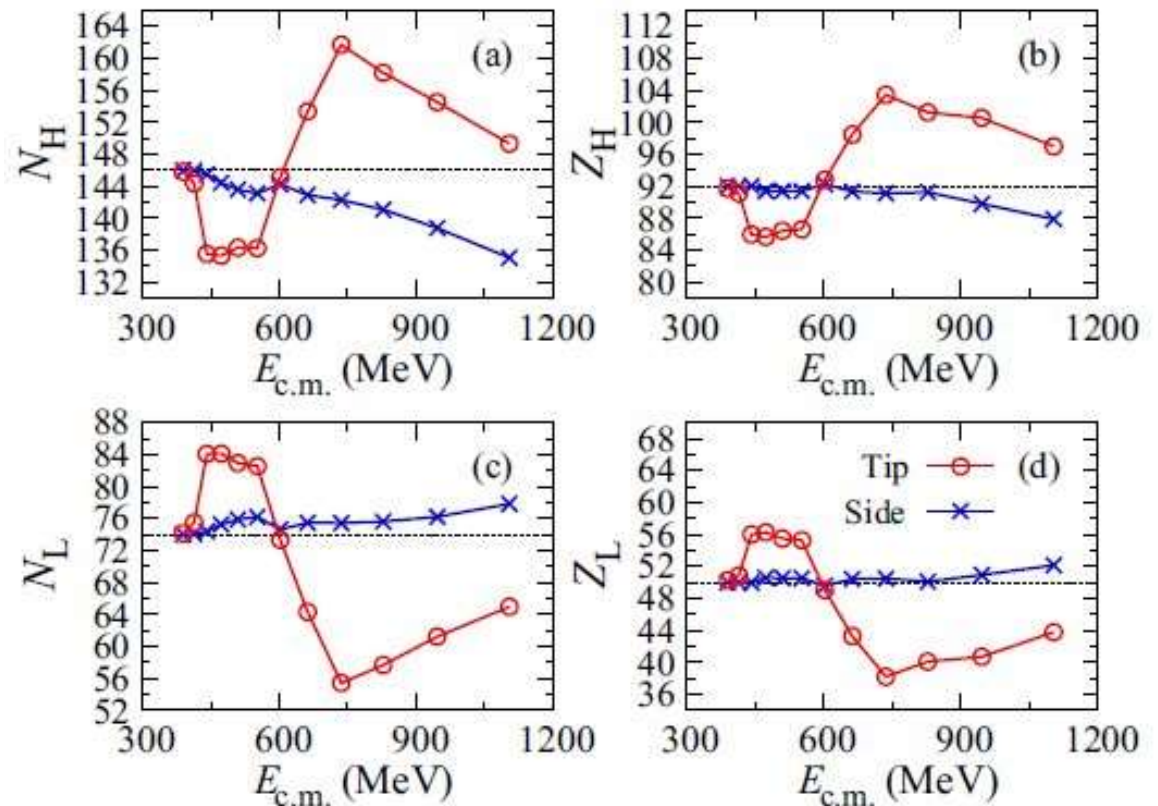


for multiproton transfer GRAZING predicts larger cross sections along the stripping direction and thus $Z > 92$ for the heavy partner

Light and heavy transfer products in $^{238}\text{U} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$



W.Mayer et al., Phy. Lett. B 152, 162 (1985)



K.Sekizawa, Phys. Rev. C 96, 041601R (2008)

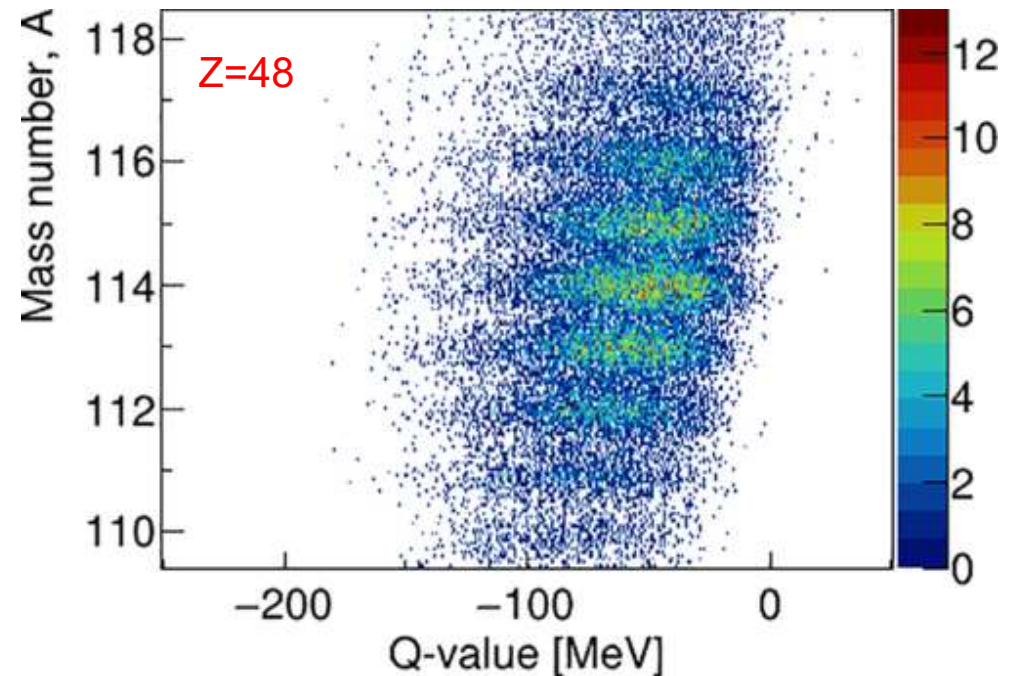
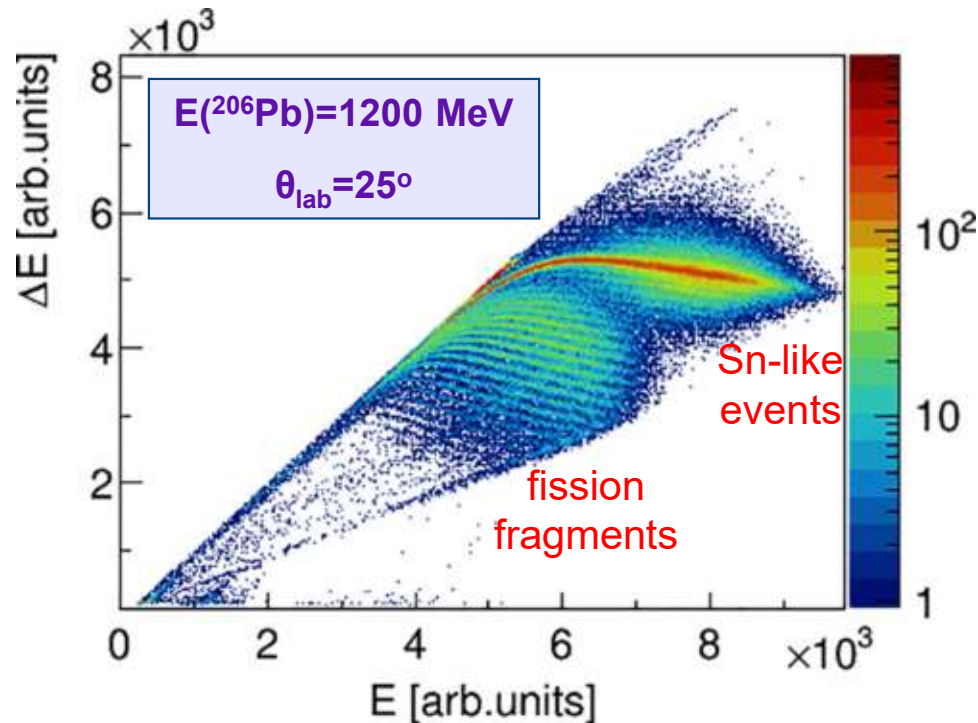
average A,Z,Q-value distributions measured with large area gas detectors show higher cross sections along the proton pick-up direction

TDHF calculations indicate a change of proton flux with bombarding energy and a dependence on nuclear orientation

Multinucleon transfer reactions in $^{206}\text{Pb}+^{118}\text{Sn}$

excellent Z resolution

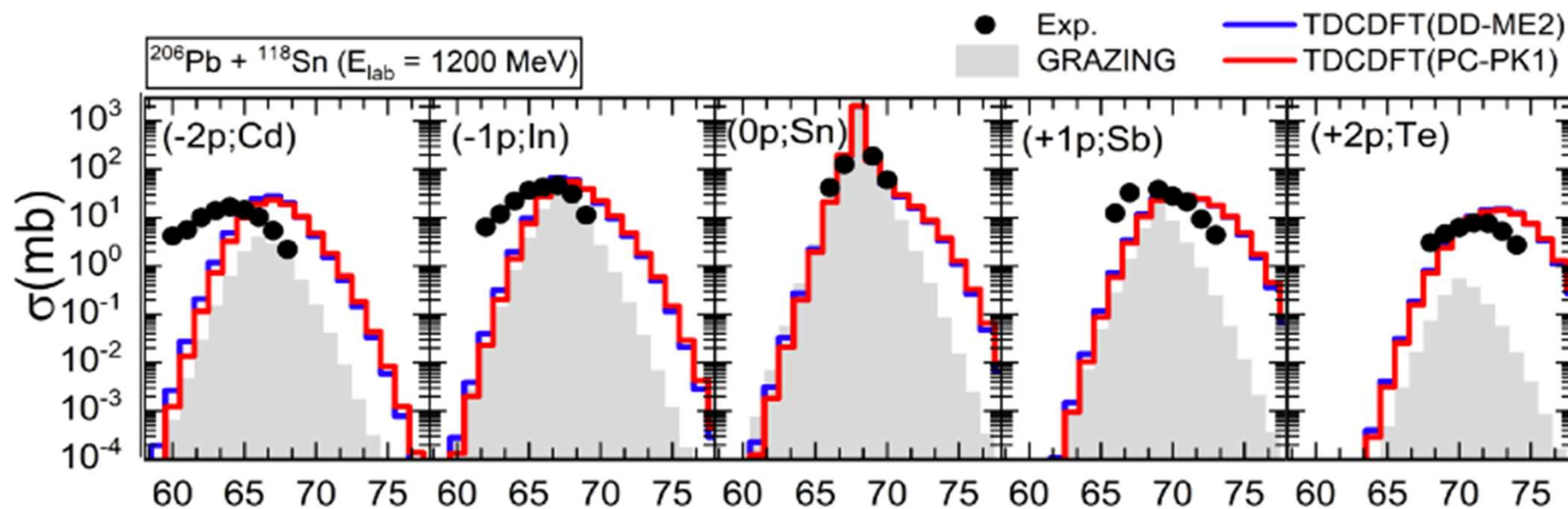
excellent mass resolution



a wealth of transfer channels could be measured with high Z,A,Q-value resolutions with the large magnetic spectrometer PRISMA. Experimental differential and total cross sections have been compared with theoretical calculations and more reliable extrapolations can be made for the production of n-rich heavy partners

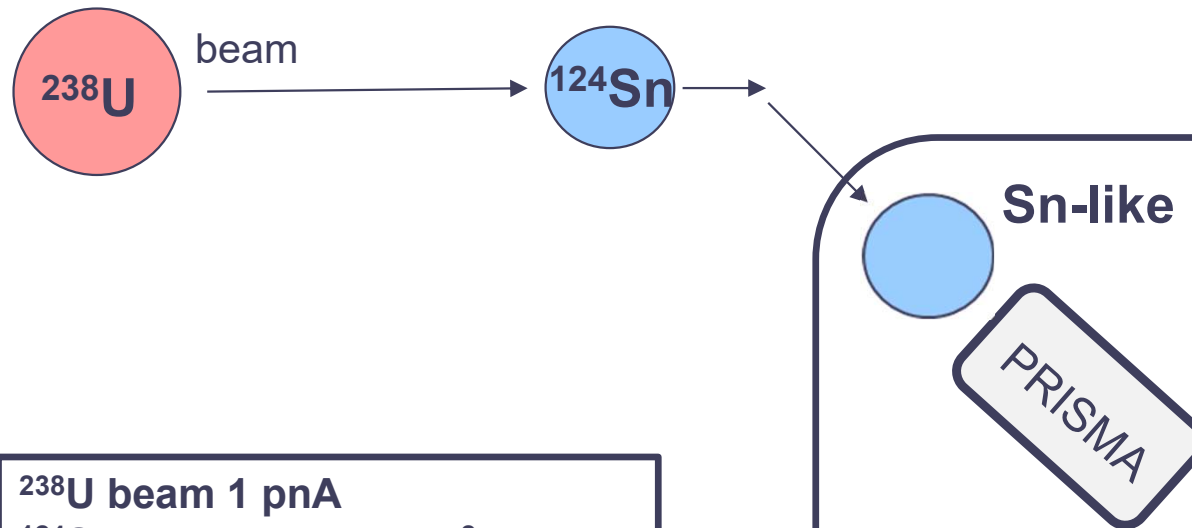
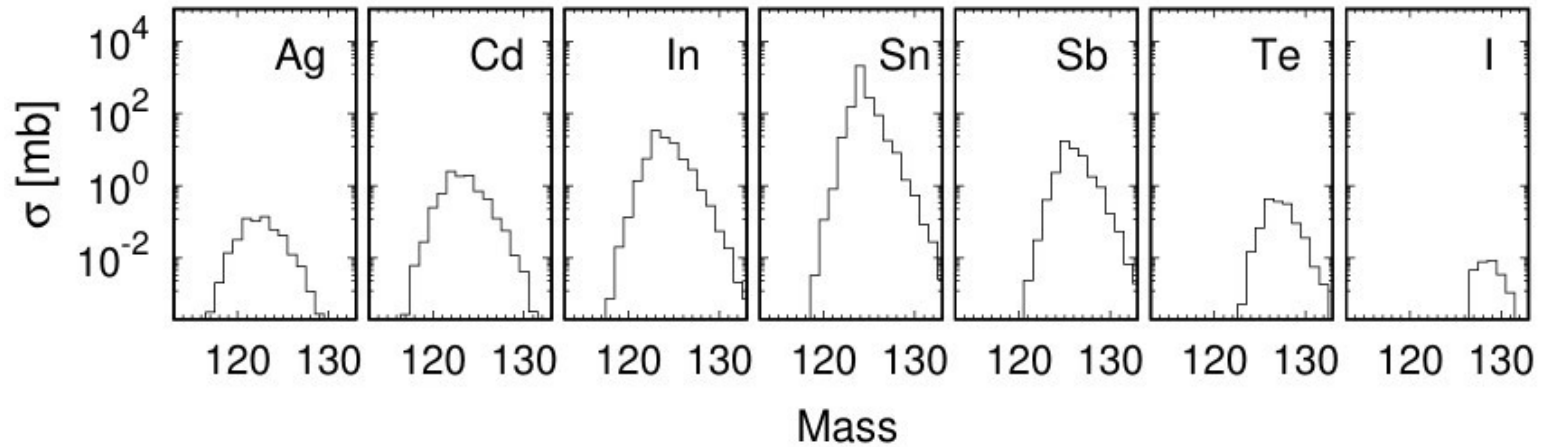
Multinucleon transfer with time-dependent covariant density functional theory

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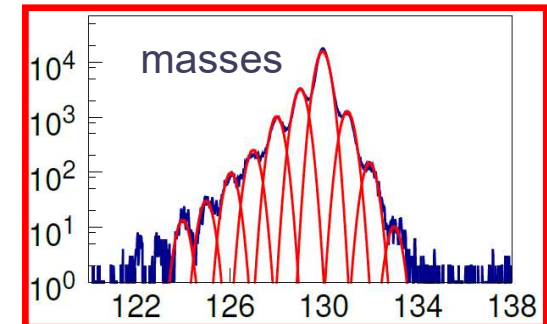
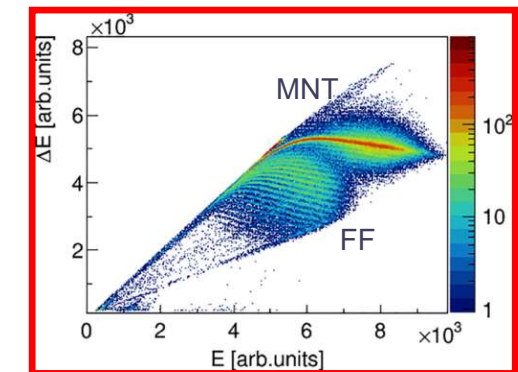


$^{238}\text{U} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$ MNT measurement

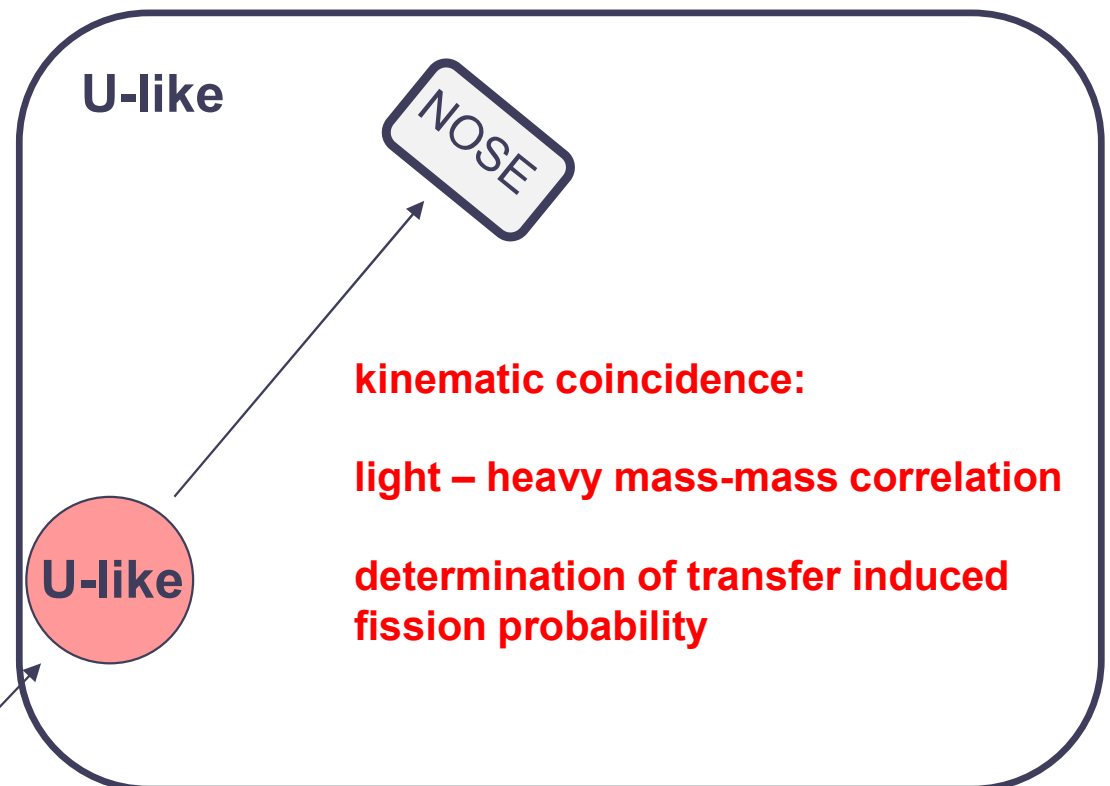
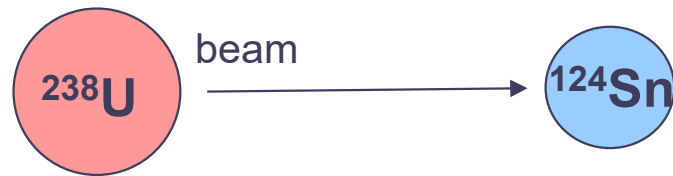
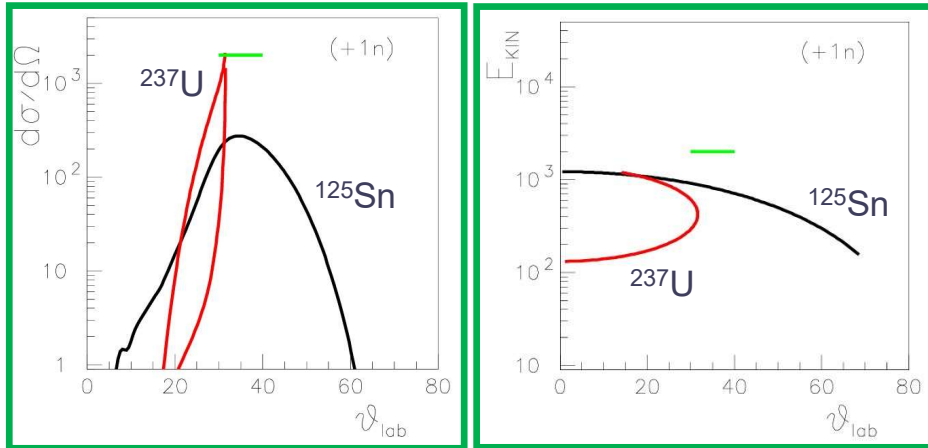
$^{238}\text{U} + ^{124}\text{Sn}$, $E(^{238}\text{U}) = 1350 \text{ MeV}$



^{238}U beam 1 pA
 ^{124}Sn target $300 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$
 $E_{\text{lab}} = 1350 \text{ MeV}$
Prisma $\theta_{\text{lab}} = 35^\circ$
Prisma sensitivity on $d\sigma/d\Omega$:
 $1 \mu\text{b}/\text{sr} \sim 25 \text{ counts/day}$



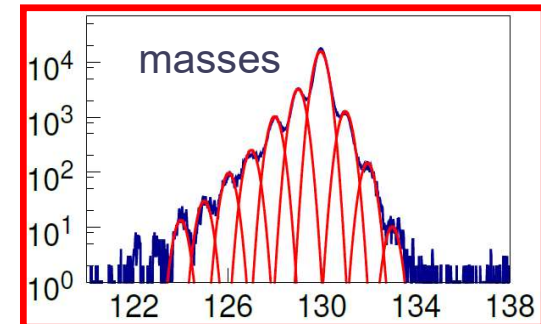
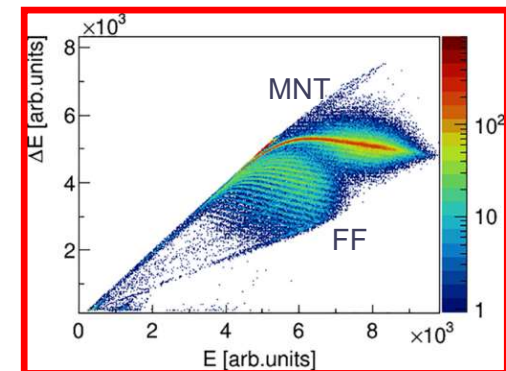
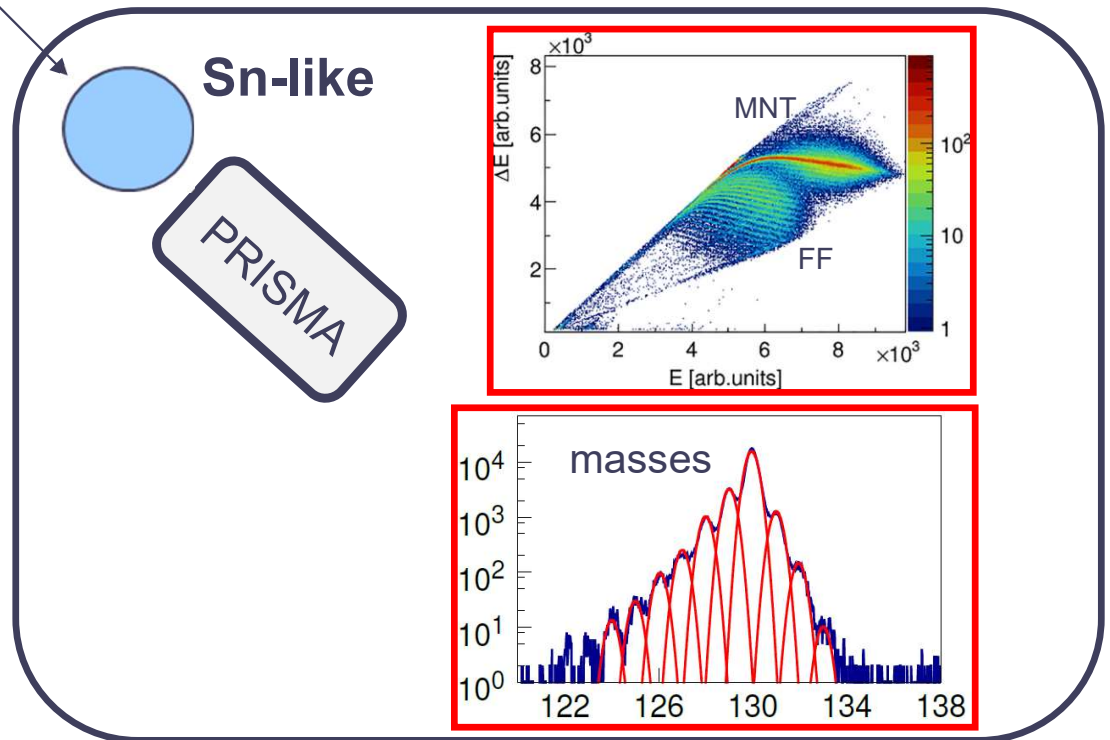
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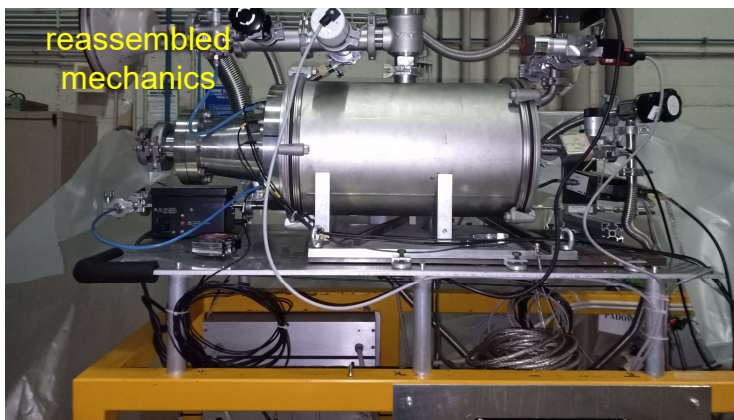
kinematic coincidence:

light – heavy mass-mass correlation

determination of transfer induced fission probability

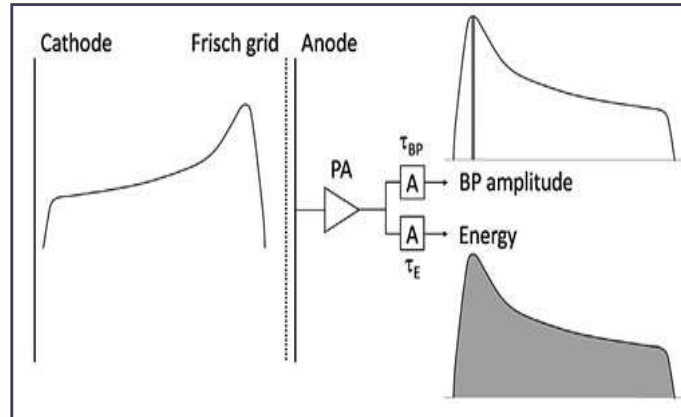


^{238}U beam 1 pnA
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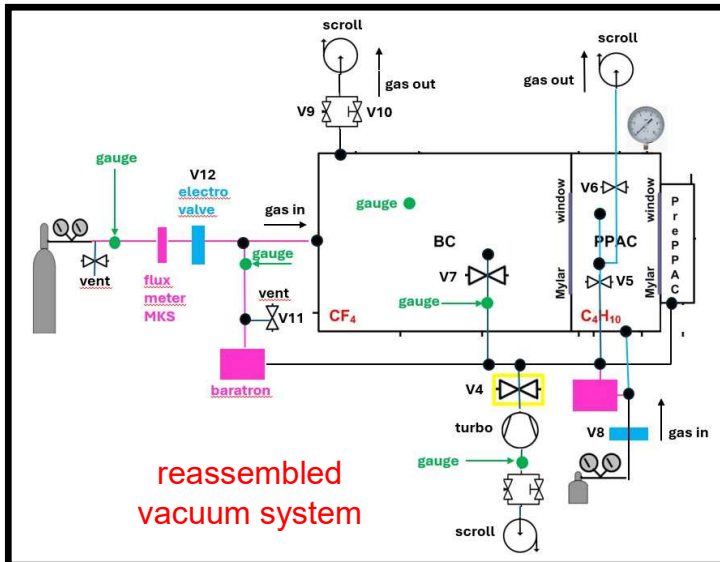
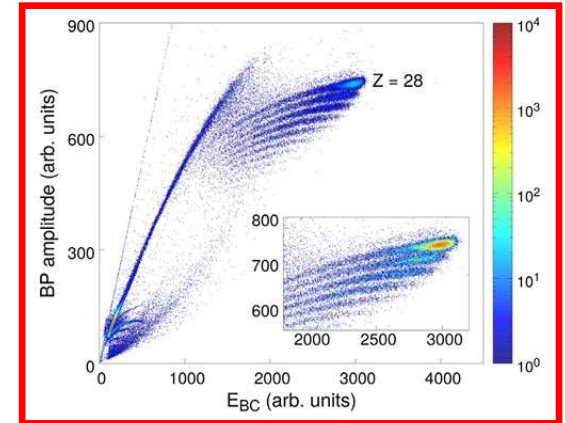


reassembled
mechanics

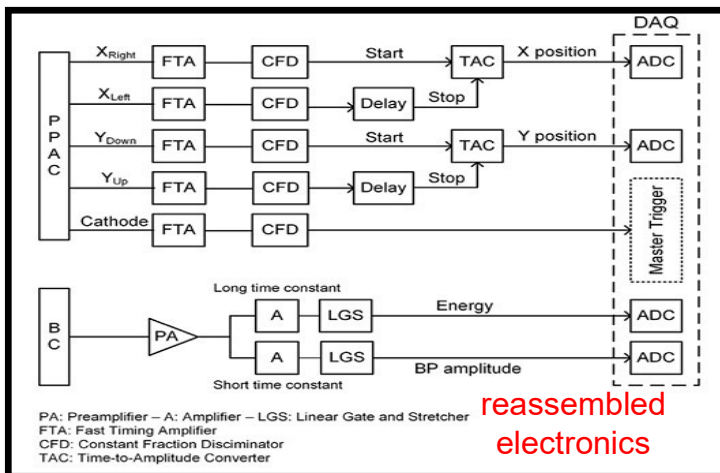
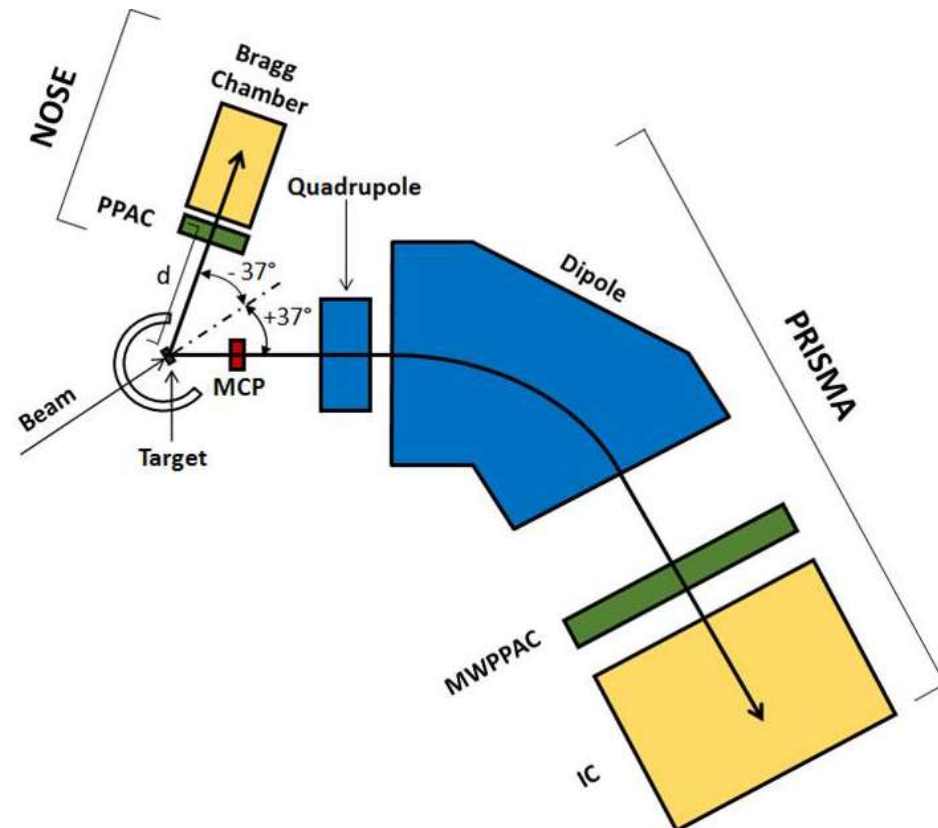
Second arm (NOSE)



Bragg peak vs energy



reassembled
vacuum system



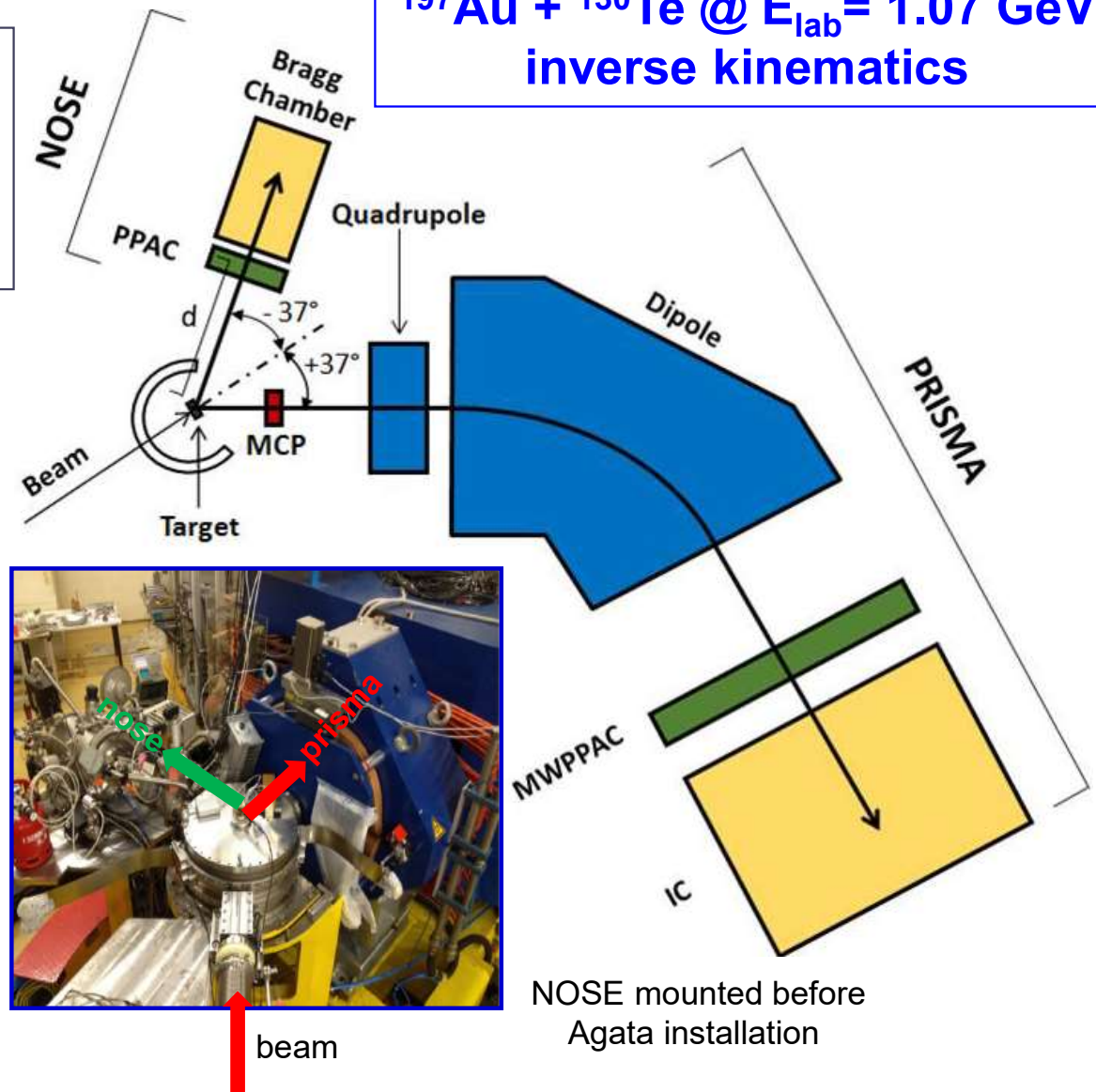
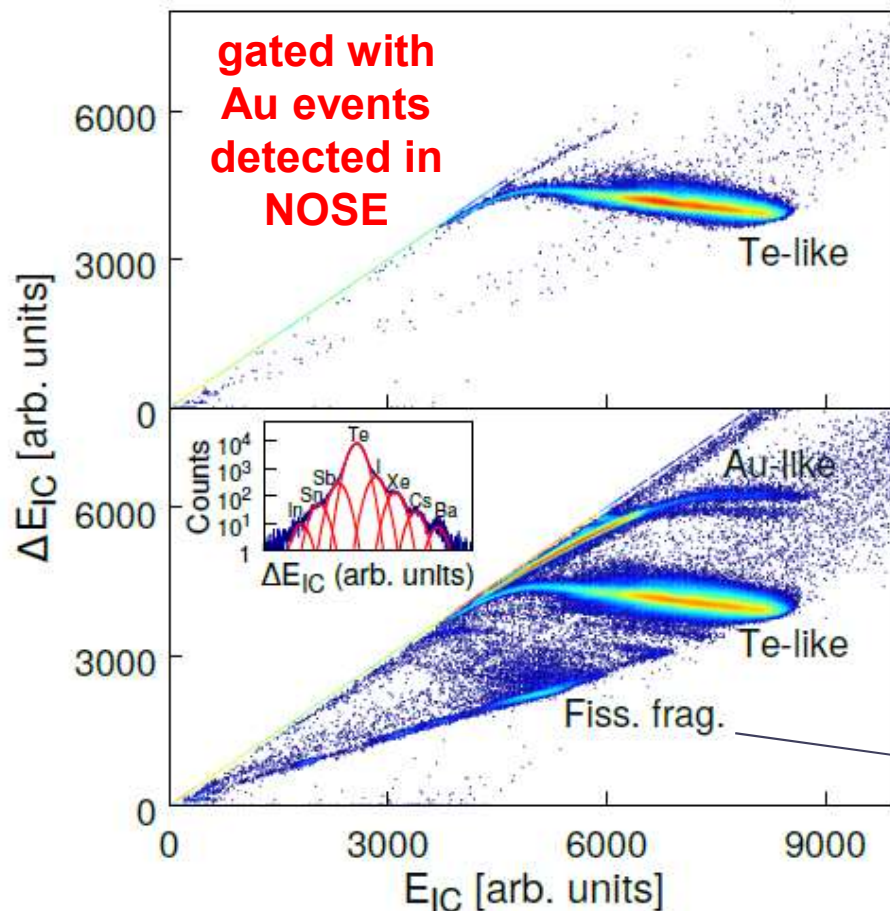
reassembled
electronics

PA: Preamplifier – A: Amplifier – LGS: Linear Gate and Stretcher
FTA: Fast Timing Amplifier
CFD: Constant Fraction Discriminator
TAC: Time-to-Amplitude Converter

The $^{197}\text{Au} + ^{130}\text{Te}$ experiment with the PRISMA spectrometer

PRISMA spectrometer used in high resolution kinematic coincidence with a second time-of-flight system (NOSE)

$^{197}\text{Au} + ^{130}\text{Te}$ @ $E_{\text{lab}} = 1.07$ GeV
inverse kinematics

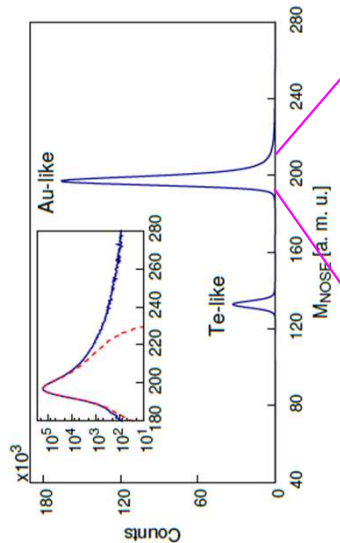


fission events derive probably from transfer induced fission or quasi fission

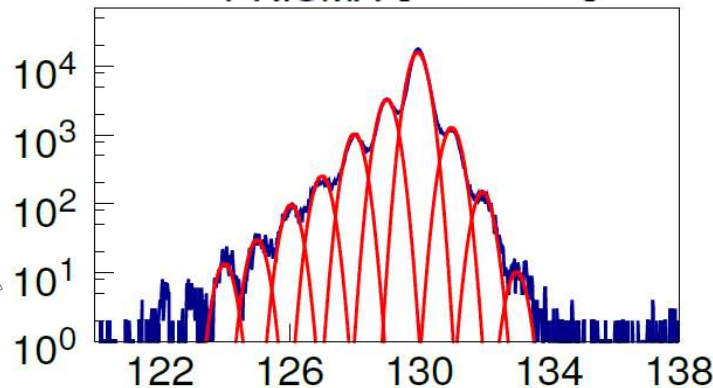
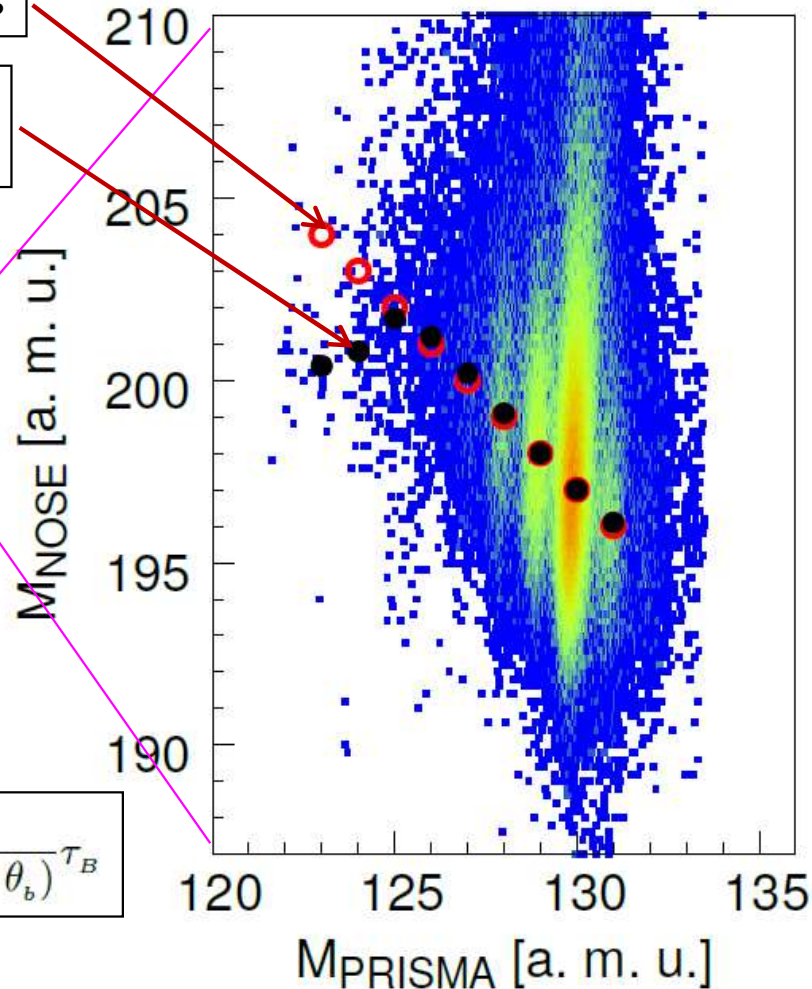
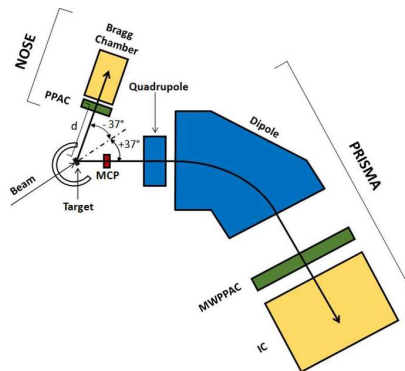
$^{197}\text{Au}+^{130}\text{Te}$: mass-mass correlation matrix

centroids of
primary fragments

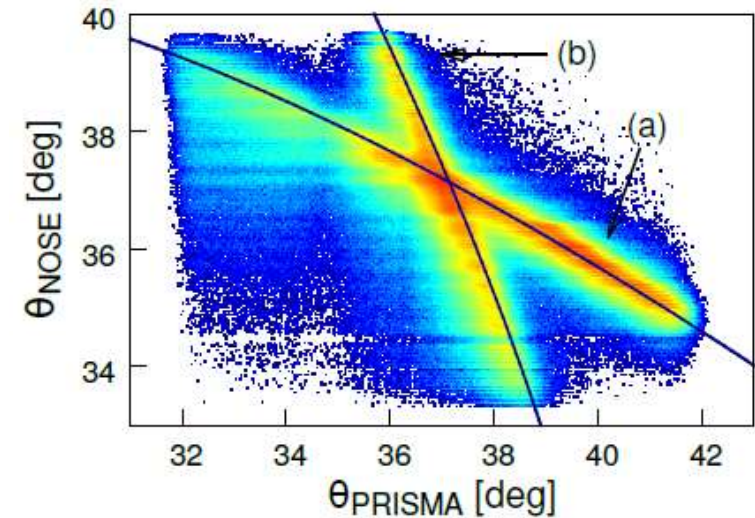
experimental
centroids



$$M_B = \frac{p_0}{d} \frac{\sin \theta_b}{\sin(\theta_B + \theta_b)} \tau_B$$



angle-angle correlation matrix

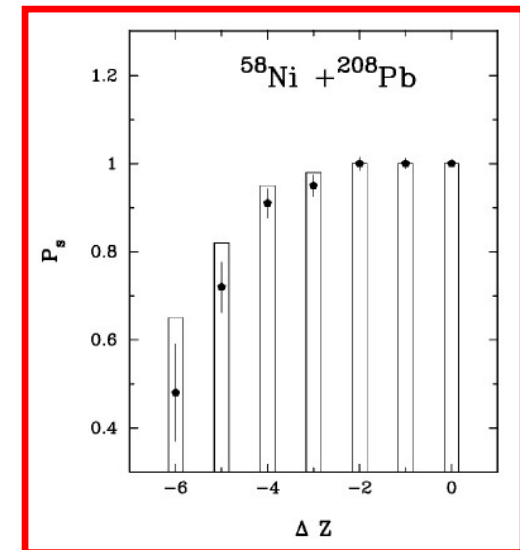
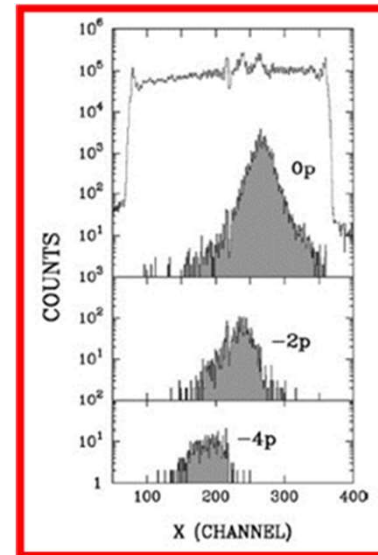
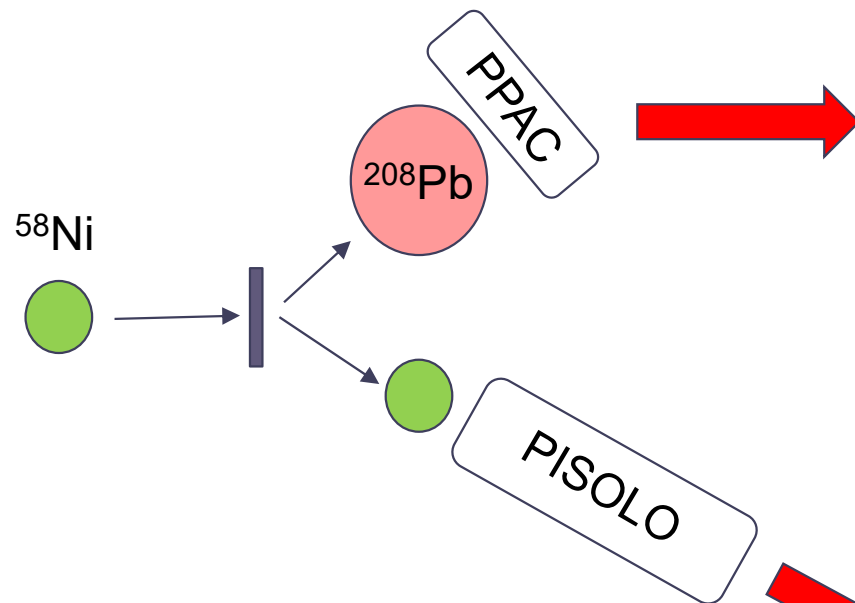


high resolution kinematic coincidence

the identification in mass of the light fragment with high resolution allows to separate the mass distribution of the heavy partner in well defined bands, whose centroids and widths depend on secondary processes

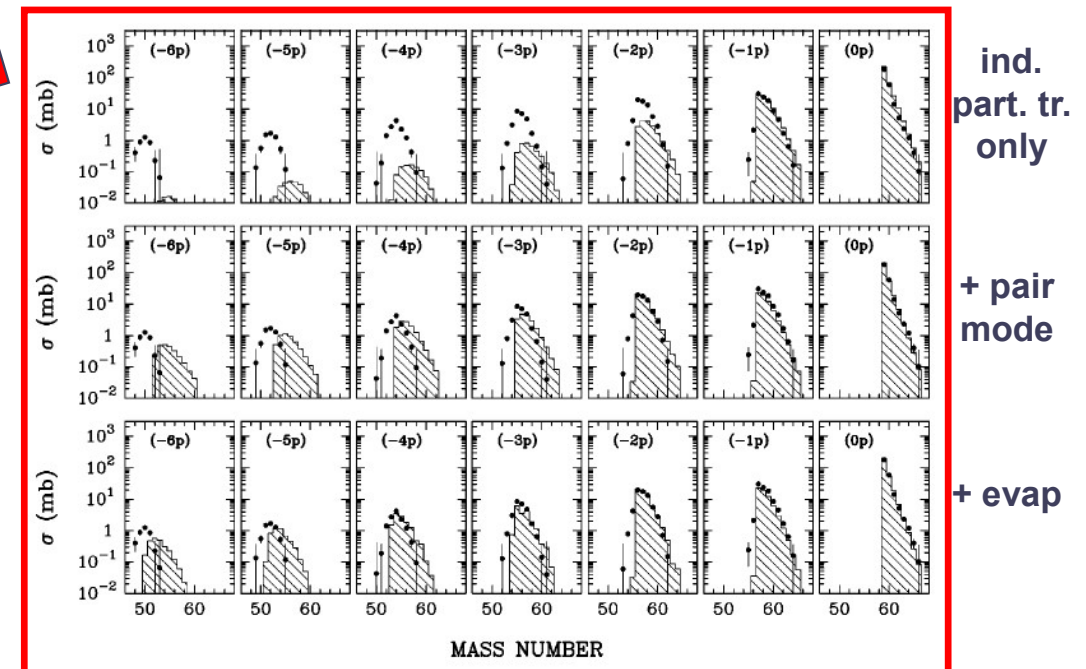
F.Galtarossa et al., Phys.
Rev. C 97 (2018) 054606

Detection of light and heavy transfer products in $^{58}\text{Ni} + ^{208}\text{Pb}$



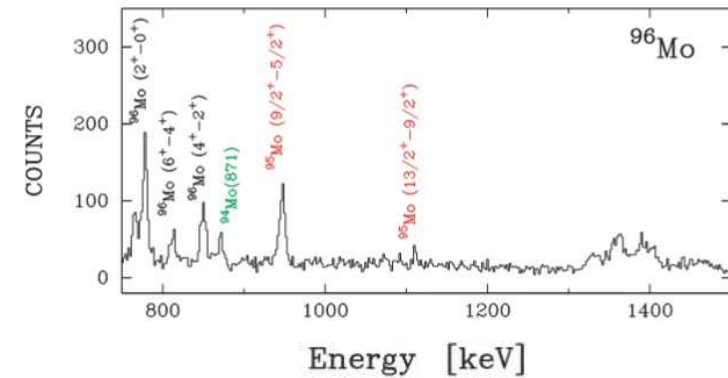
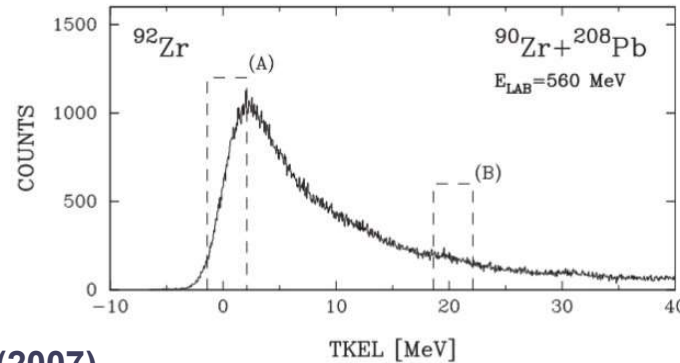
**fission probability of heavy partners
determined from the ratio of binary
coincidences to singles**

**GRAZING and CWKB calculations for
transfer cross sections → excitation energy
and angular momentum of Ni, Pb → PACE2
→ transfer induced fission**



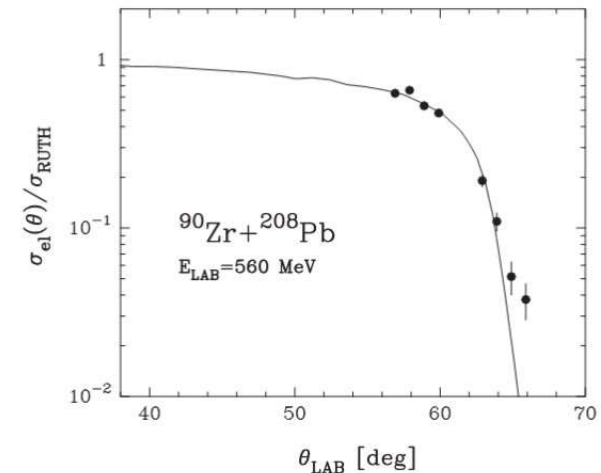
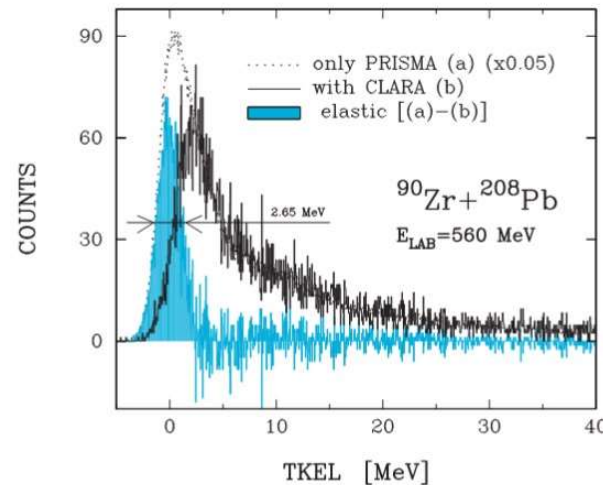
why AGATA is fundamental for this $^{238}\text{U}+^{124}\text{Sn}$ MNT measurement

quantify the TKEL dependence of the transfer strength to excited states and the effects of evaporation

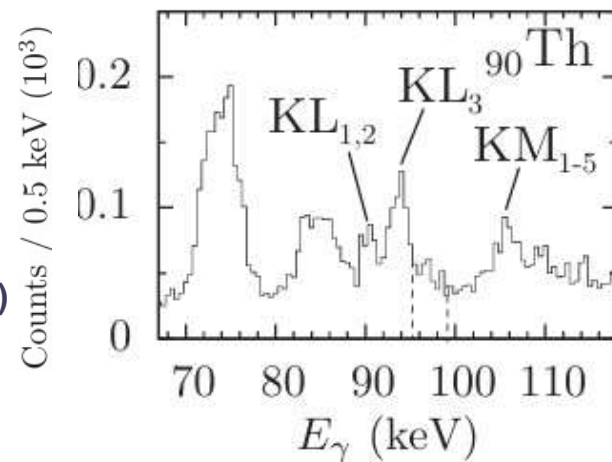


S.Szilner et al., PRC76,024604(2007)

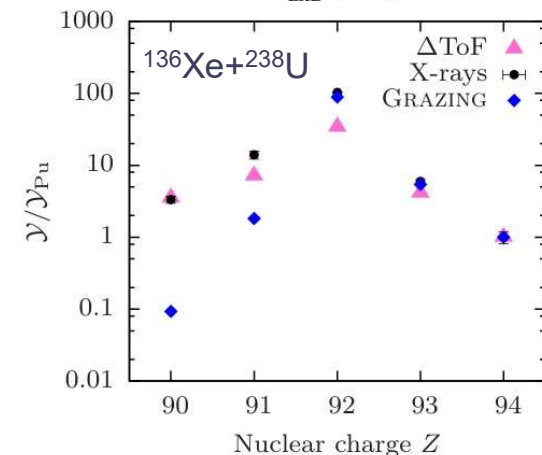
determine the elastic/inelastic strength, important for reaction models. Fission is the main source of depletion from quasi-elastic channels

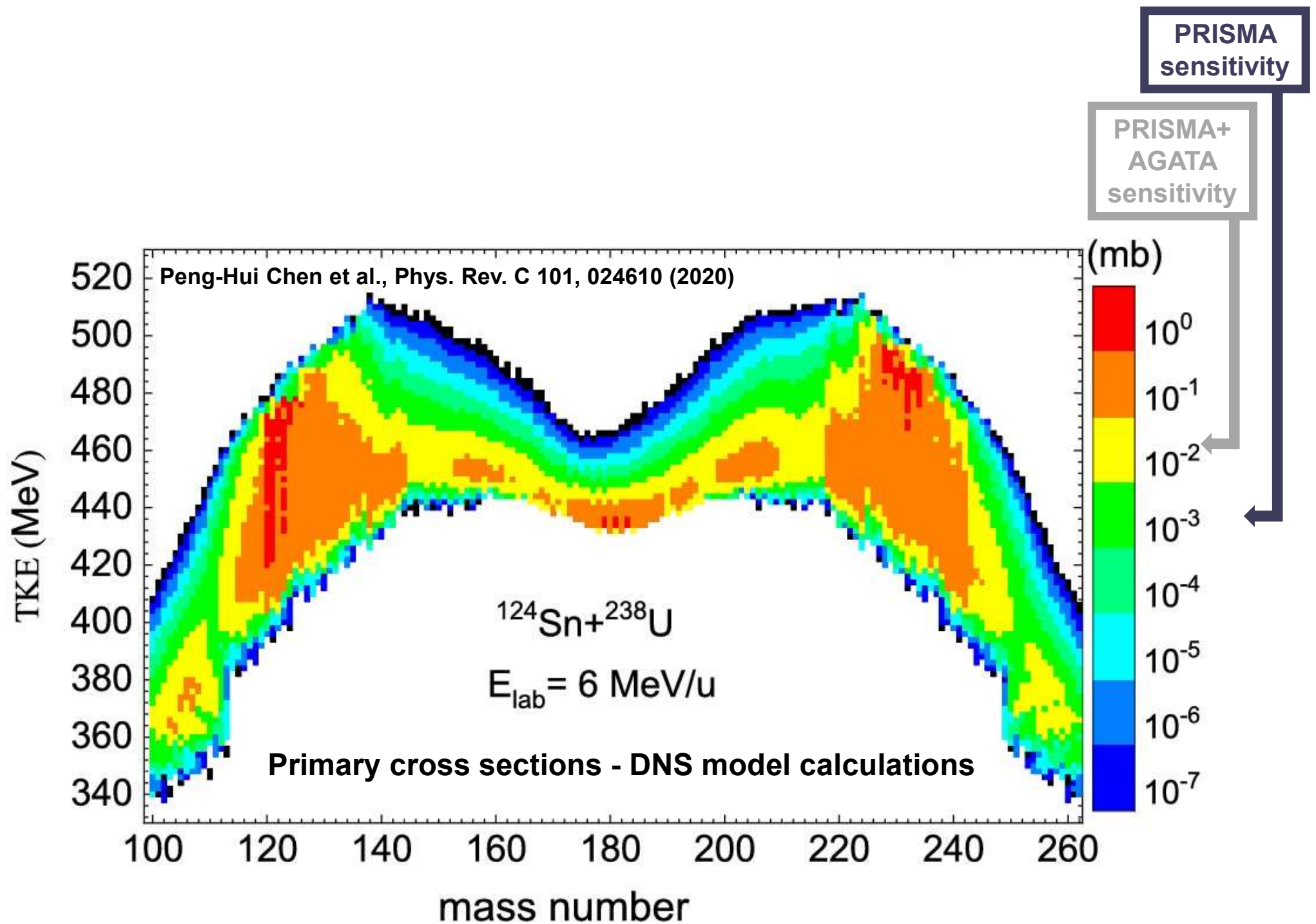


X-ray coincident detection for Z determination of the heavy partner and corresponding yields

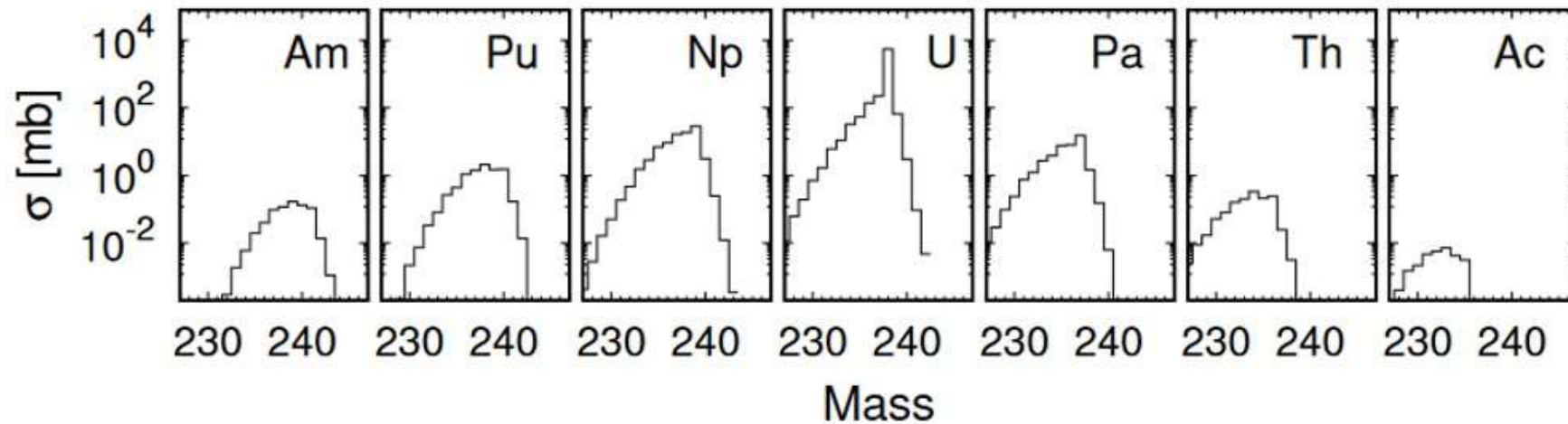


A.Vogt et al., PRC92,024619(2015)



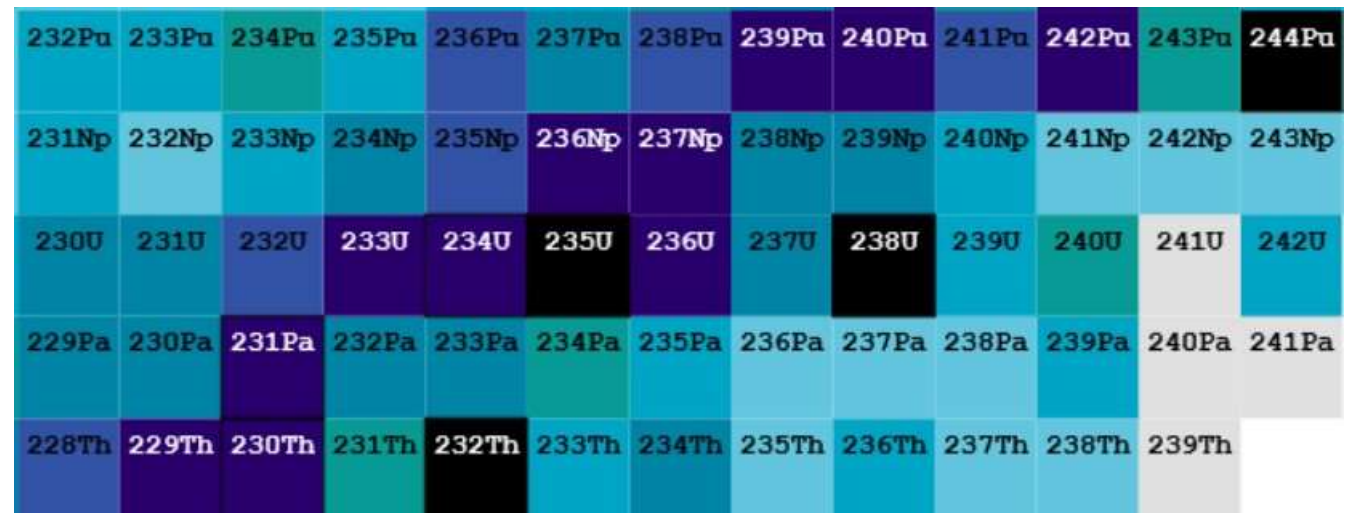


Some nuclear regions which are interesting for spectroscopy



nuclei around 228-232U are predicted to exhibit a transition from octupole vibrations to g.s. octupole deformation. In the neutron-rich region we can complete the g.s. rotational bands (high angular momenta)

in the Th chain one does not know yet the full set of E2 and E3 matrix elements



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best possible characterization of the heavy partner via high resolution kinematic coincidences Prisma-Nose

- construction of light-heavy mass-mass correlations (evaporation)
- measurement of transfer induced fission probability
- γ -ray detection of binary partners with Agata (inelastic, transfer strength to excited states, identification of evaporative processes)

a well taken case

- average cross sections available from low resolution measurements (reference)
- neutron rich beam-target combination suitable for the population of pick-up and stripping channels at the same time
- mass of Sn-like nuclei can be clearly identified with Prisma
- grazing angles for Sn- and U-like nuclei quite the same in inverse kinematics
 - it well fits with the geometrical constraints of PRISMA+NOSE
 - interchange of ion detection with Prisma and Nose for yields checks

Beam time request : 14 days

^{238}U beam 1 pA
 ^{124}Sn target 300 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$
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Prisma $\theta_{\text{lab}} = 35^\circ$
Nose $\theta_{\text{lab}} = 35^\circ$

experimental conditions

Prisma sensitivity on $d\sigma/d\Omega$:
1 $\mu\text{b}/\text{sr} \sim 25 \text{ counts/day}$

assuming 8-10 masses for the
(4p) channel $\rightarrow$ **10 days** of
beam time to accumulate a
20% statistical error on the
average of the mass yields

measurement

Setting up Prisma+Nose+Agata
 $\rightarrow$ **2 days**

Bp scanning to check
transmission (DIC components)
 $\rightarrow$ **2 days**

additional needs