



Lifetime measurement on fission fragments in the A~100 region

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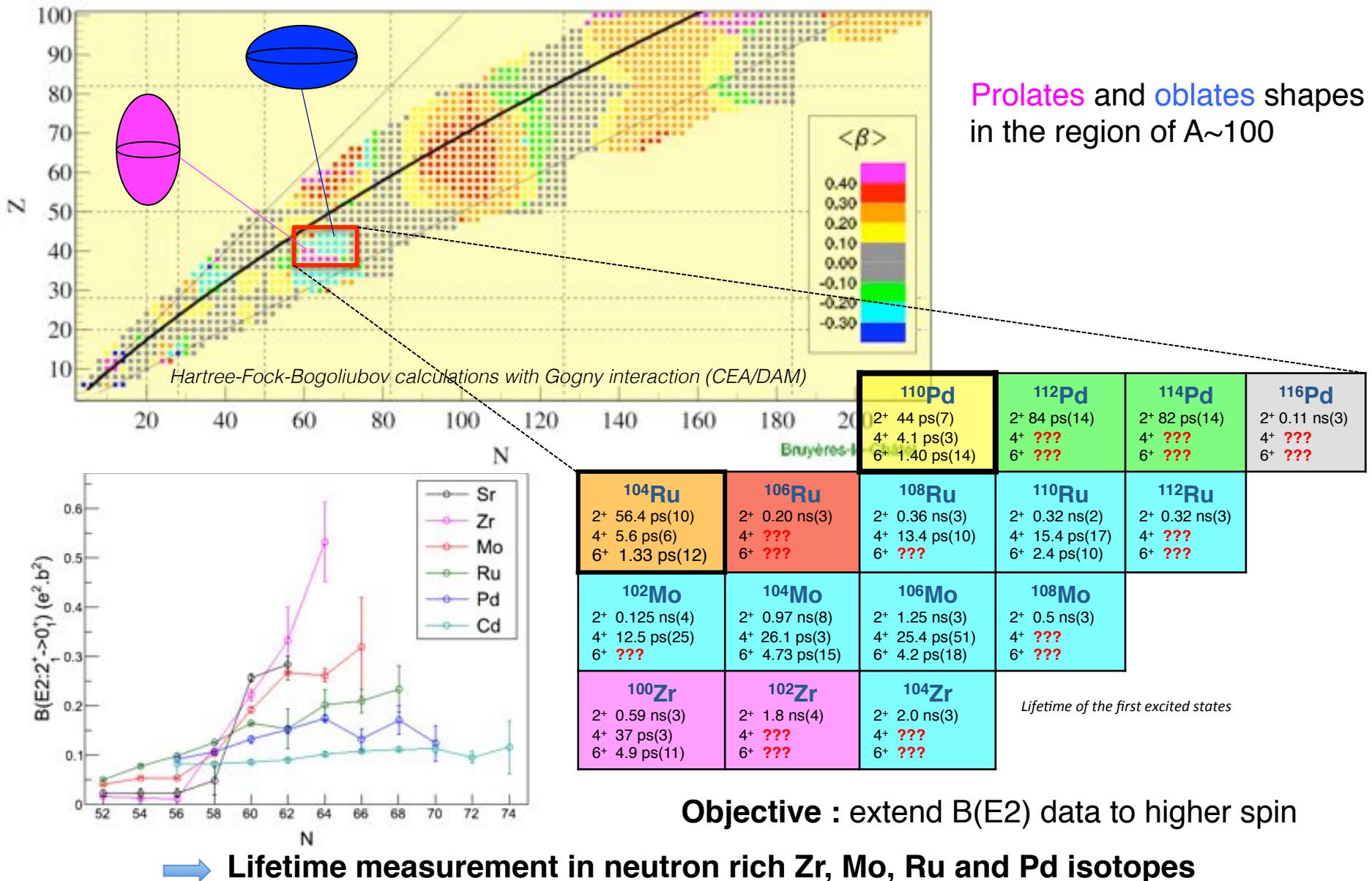
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Nuclear Structure Physics with advanced
 γ -Detector Arrays

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Motivation

Shape evolution and collectivity in the region of A~100

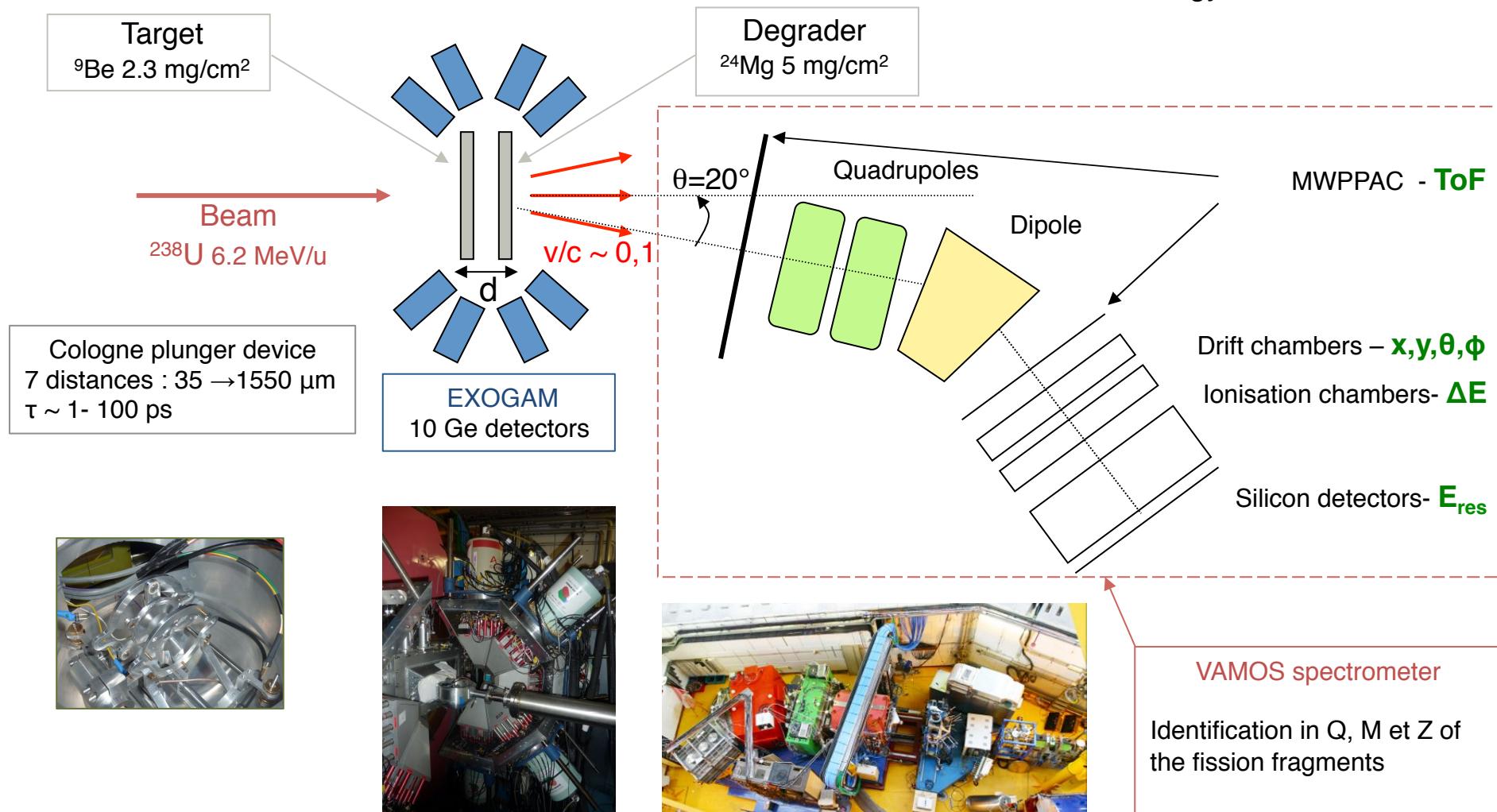


Experimental method

Set up

Experiment performed at GANIL (E604, April 2011)

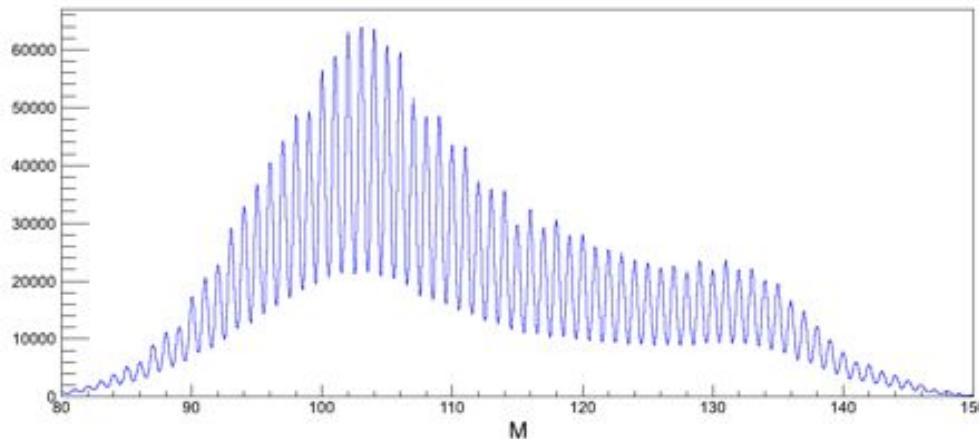
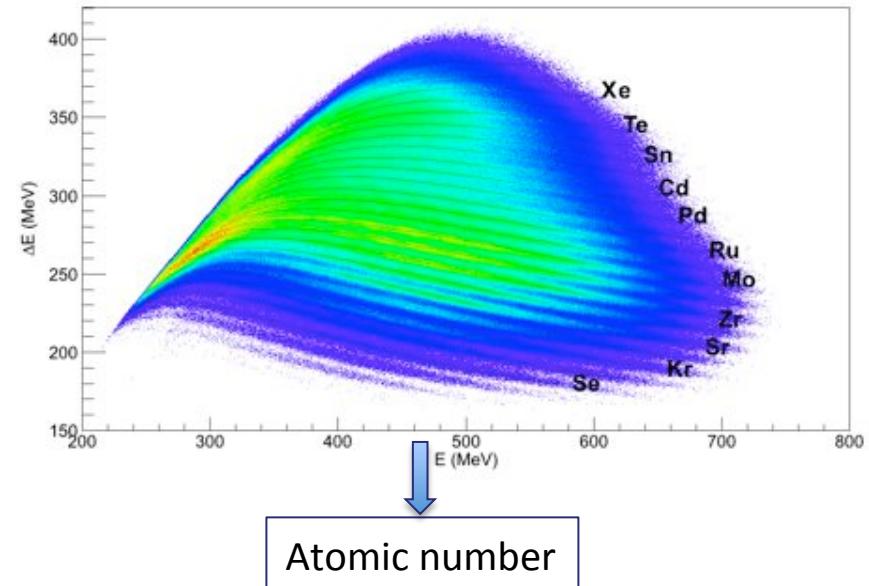
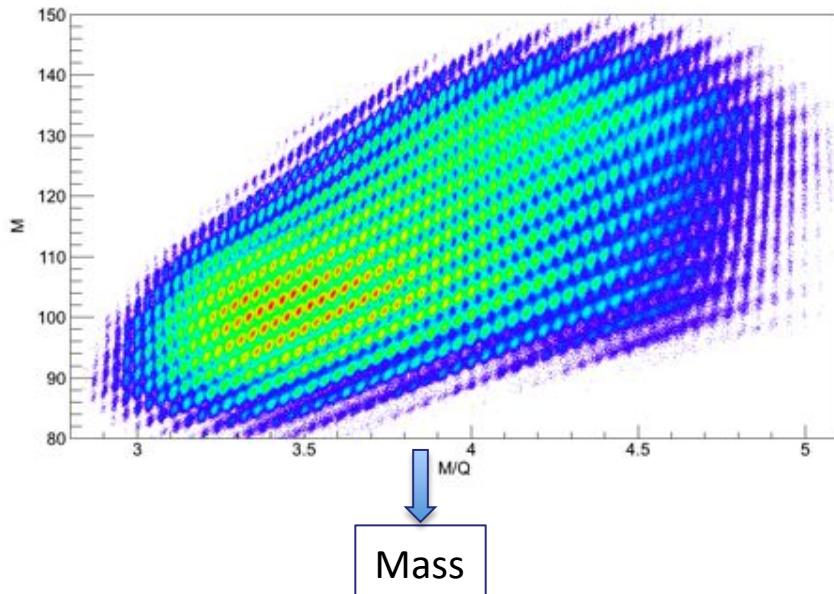
- Fusion-fission reaction $^{238}\text{U} + ^9\text{Be}$
- Inverse kinematics
- Excitation energy $\sim 45 \text{ MeV}$



Analysis

The VAMOS spectrometer

- ◆ Identification matrices from VAMOS focal plane



Total mass distribution of the detected fission fragments

Resolution

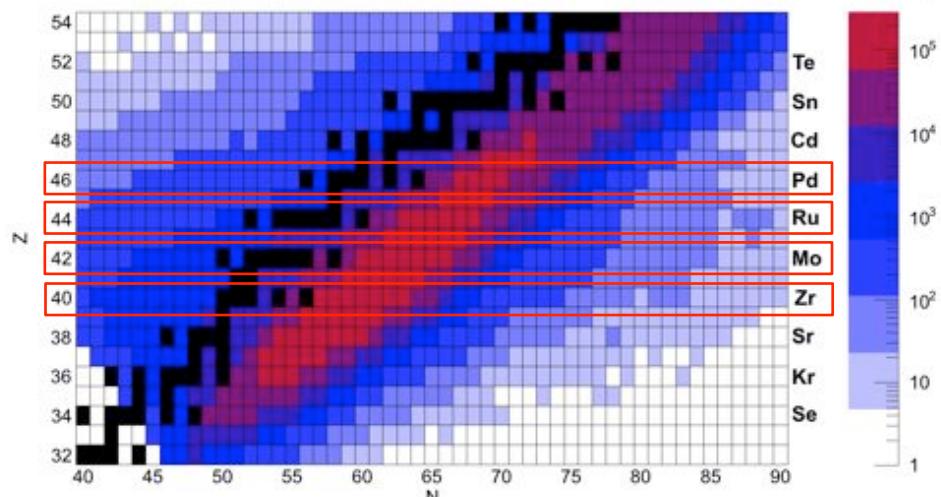
$$\frac{\Delta Z}{Z} = \frac{1}{60}$$
$$\frac{\Delta M}{M} = \frac{1}{200}$$

Analysis

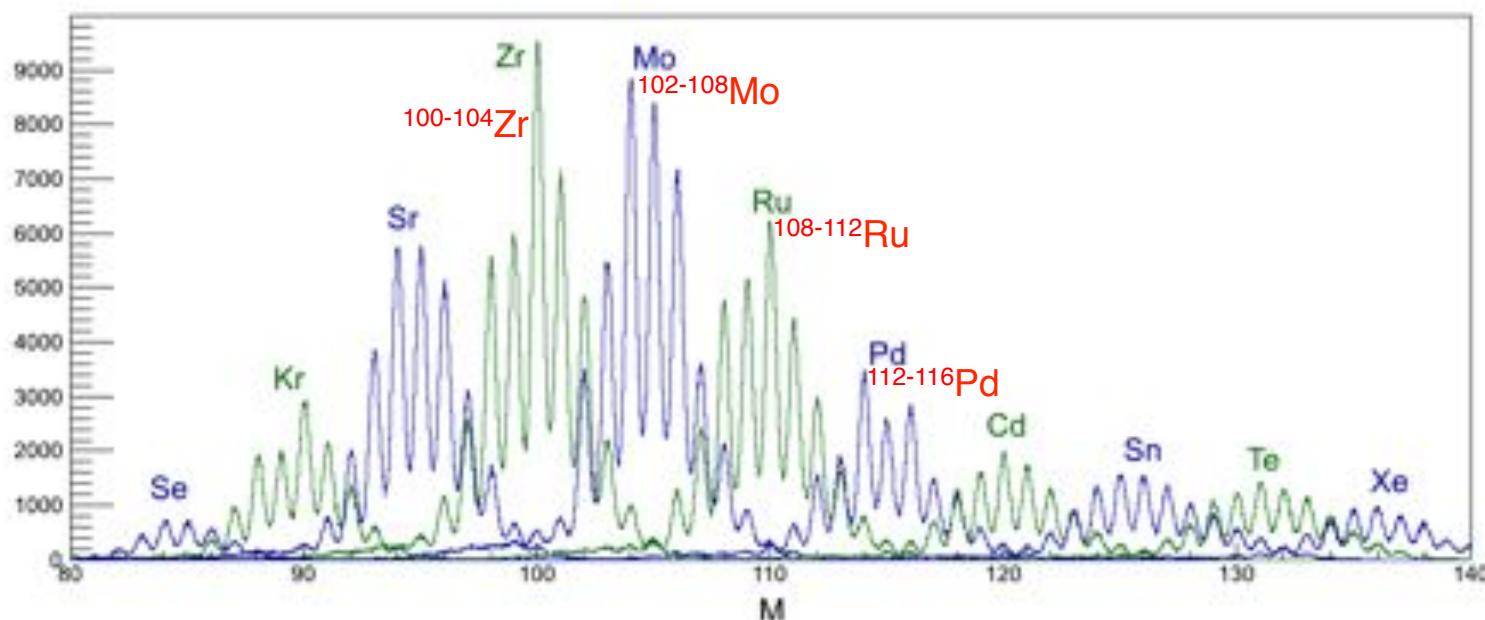
The VAMOS spectrometer

- Isotopic identification of +100 nuclei, from Se ($Z=34$) to Xe ($Z=54$)
- Exotic nuclei: up to 10 neutrons above stability

Measured relative yields of the detected fission fragments



Mass distribution of even-Z nuclei

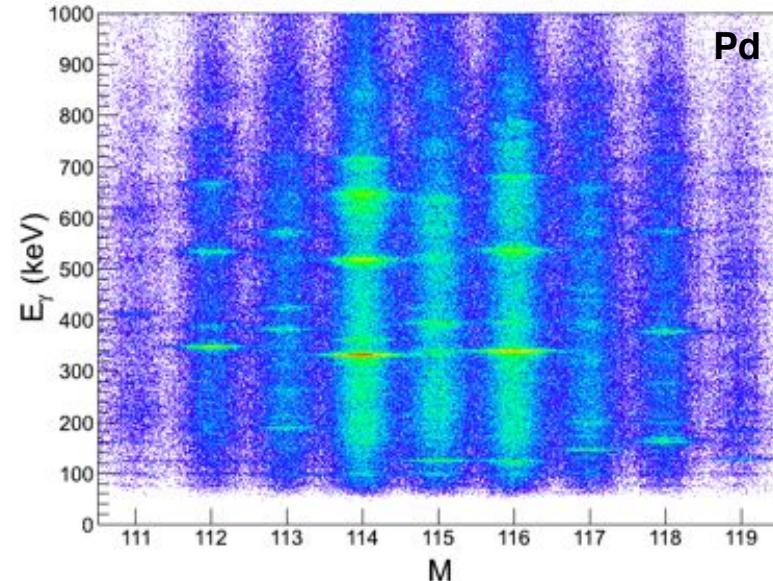


Lifetimes in neutron rich Zr, Mo, Ru and Pd isotopes

Analysis

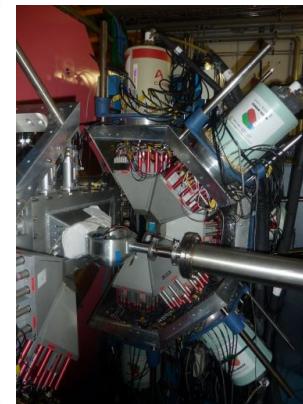
EXOGAM

Prompt γ -spectroscopy with **EXOGAM** in coincidence with selection in Z in VAMOS

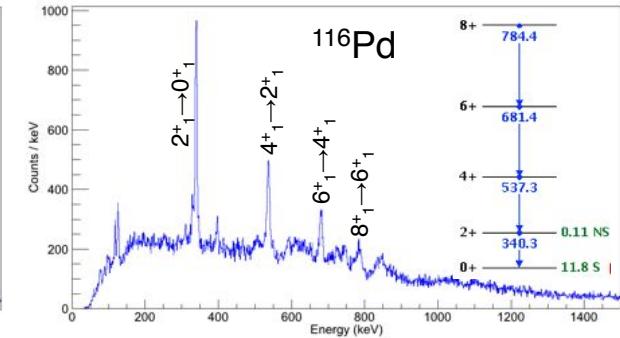
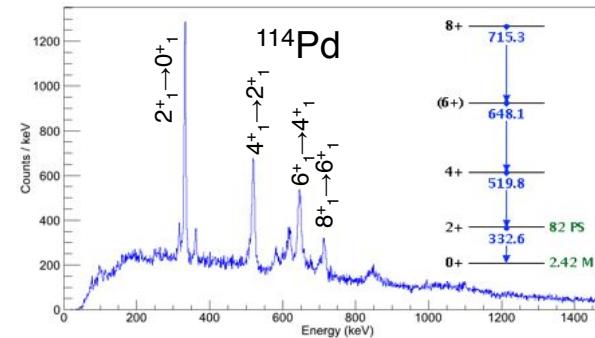
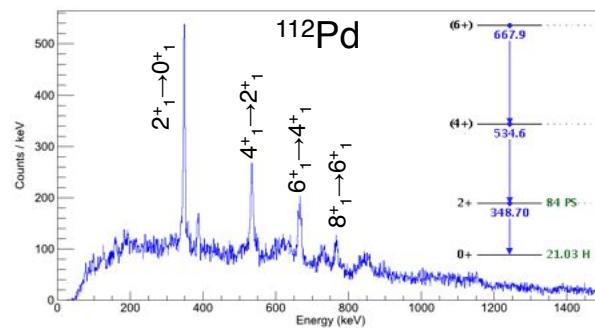


EXOGAM

- ◆ 10 clovers with full anti-Compton shielding: 3 at 135° and 7 at 90°
- ◆ Segmented crystals for Doppler correction and add-back procedure



Projected spectra for the most neutron-rich Pd even isotopes

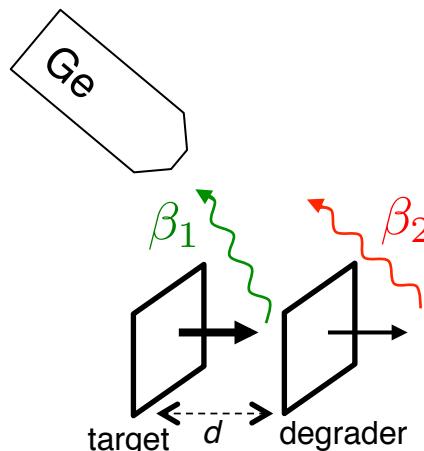
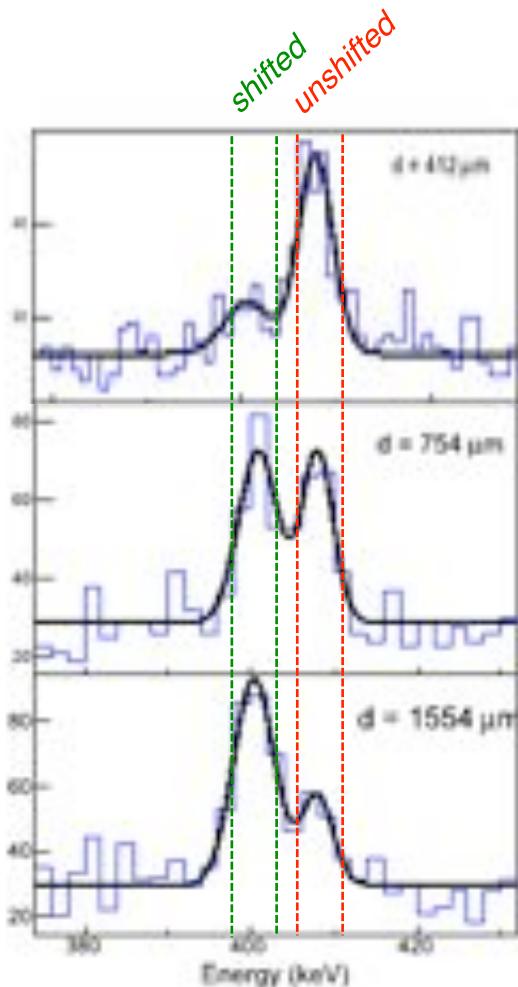


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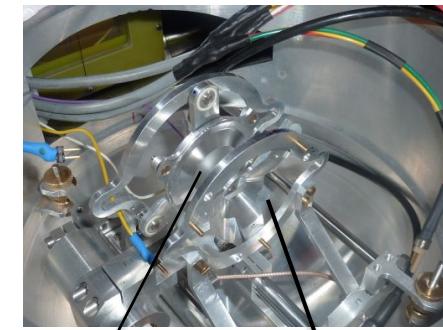
The Recoil Distance Doppler Shift method

RDDS method :

- Measurements of lifetimes $\tau \sim 10^{-12} - 10^{-9}$ s
- Doppler shift of γ detected at backward angles



The Cologne plunger set up



Target Degrader

- 3 Exogam clovers at $\theta = 135^\circ$
- 7 distances from 35 μm to 1550 μm , 24h per distance
- $\beta_1 \approx 0.11$, $\beta_2 \approx 0.09$

Measure of the relative intensity of the 2 peaks
decay curve of the level :

$$Q_i(x) = \frac{I_i^u(x)}{I_i^u(x) + I_i^s(x)}$$

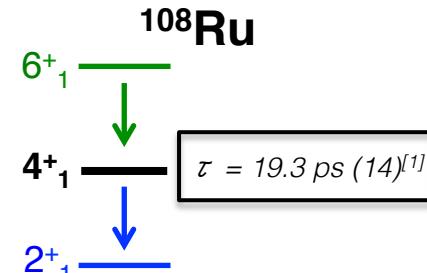
Results

Extraction of the lifetime: DDCM analysis

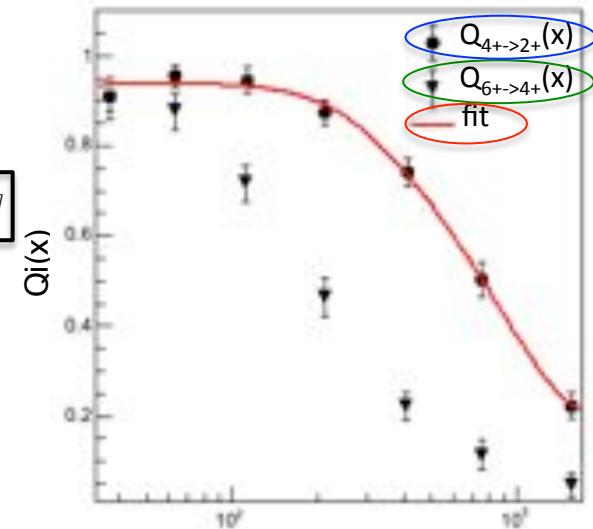
Differential Decay Curve Method

$$\tau_i(x) = -\frac{Q_i(x) - \sum_j \alpha_{ij} Q_j(x)}{v \frac{dQ_i}{dx}(x)}$$

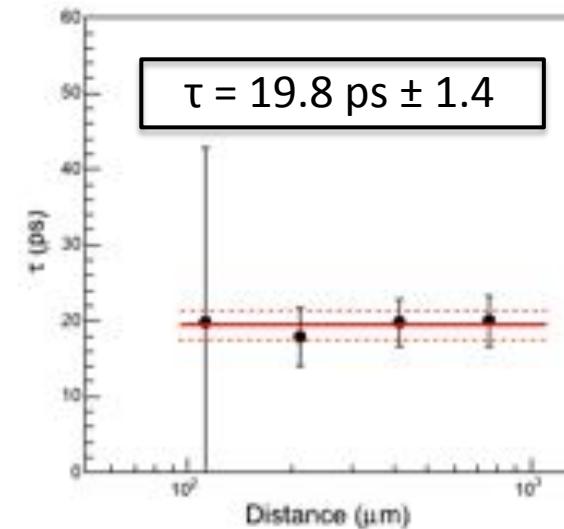
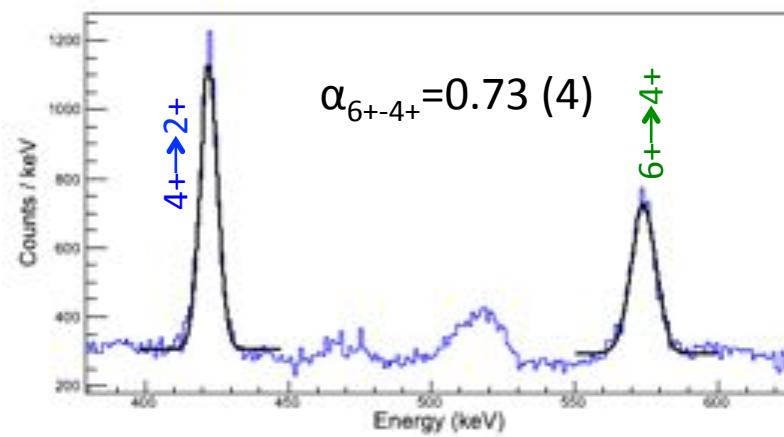
A. Dewald, Z. Phys. A Atomic Nuclei 334, (1989)



[1] G. Maname et al., Nucl. Phys. A (1986)



Nuclei velocity
before the degrader:
 $v \approx 33 \mu\text{m}/\text{ps}$

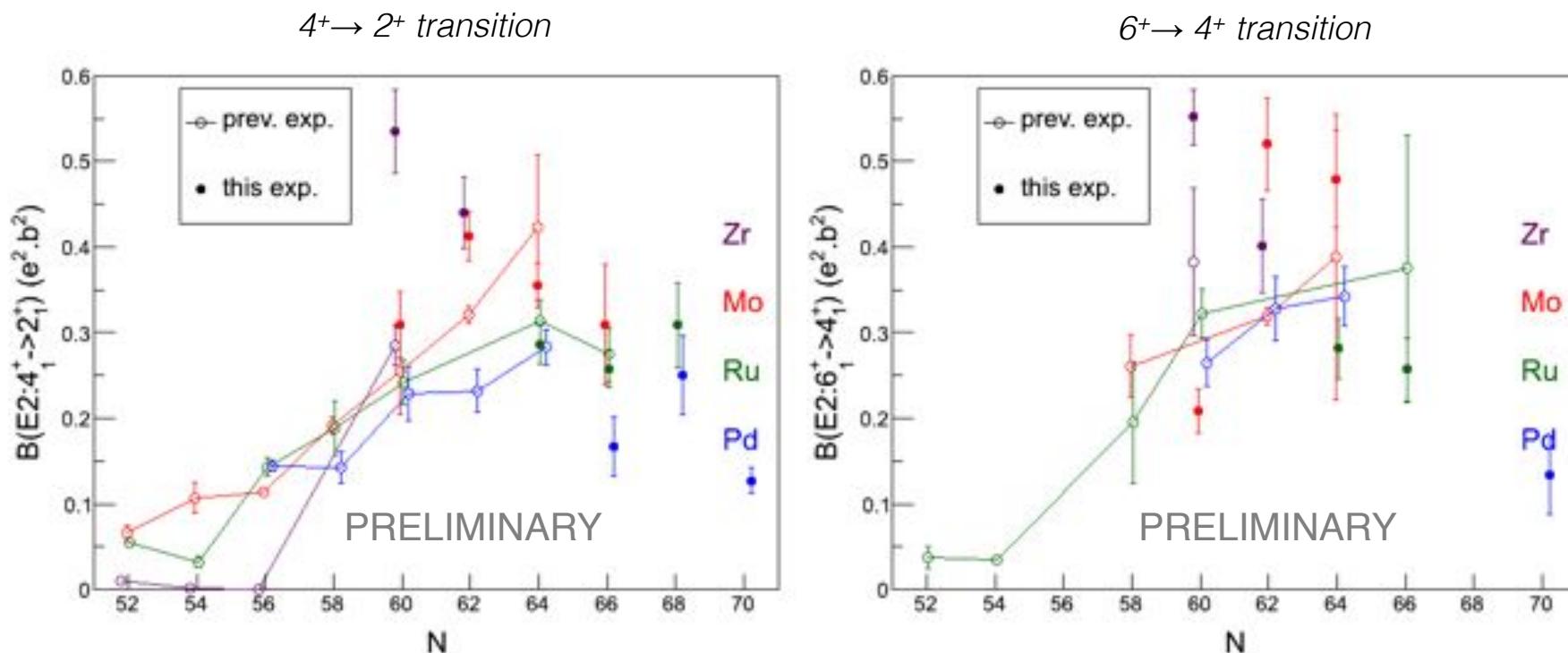


→ agreement with the previous value

Results

Lifetimes and B(E2)

- ◆ Extraction of 20 lifetimes among which 10 for the first time
- ◆ Deduced reduced transition probabilities :

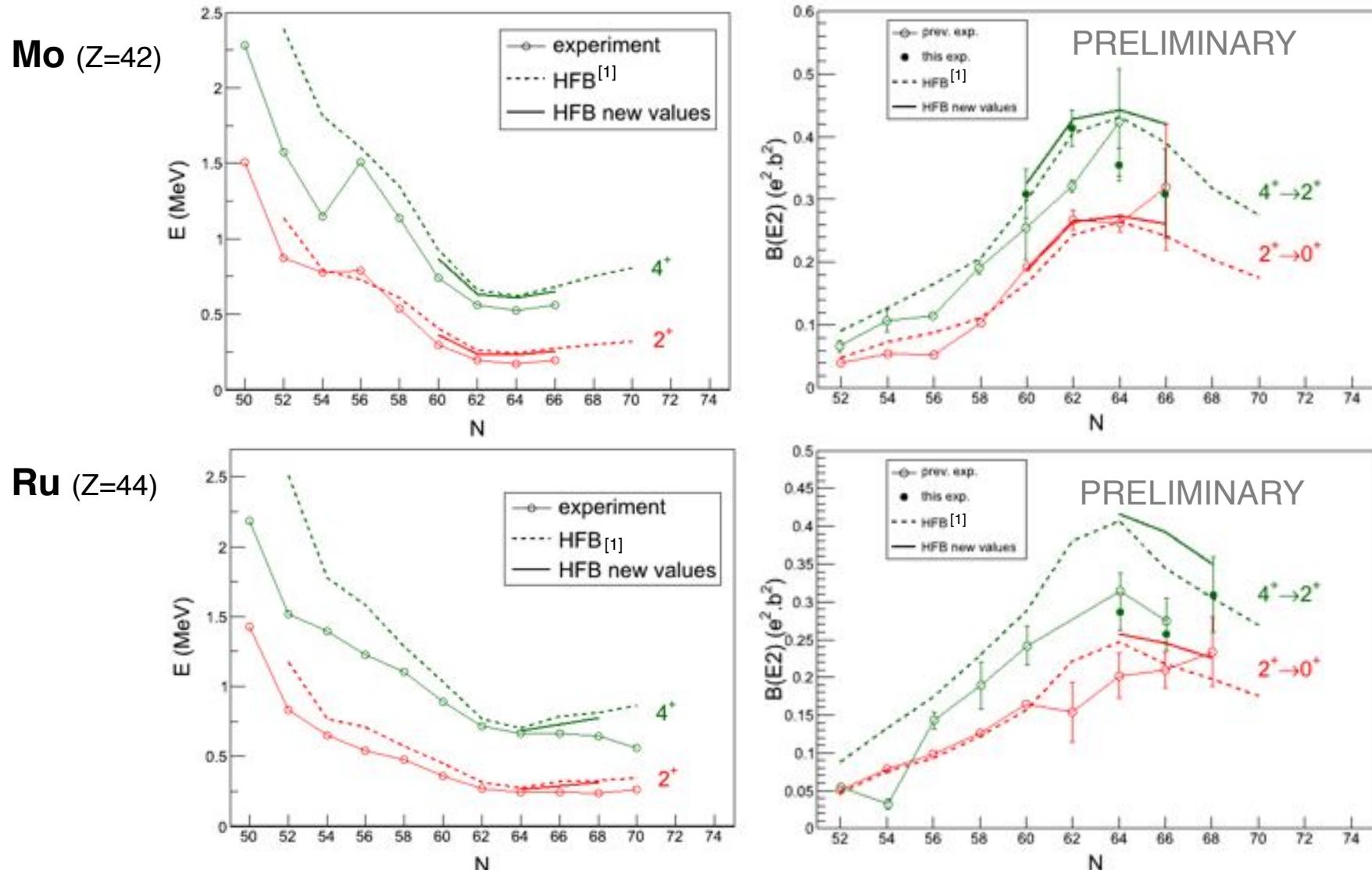


Results

Comparison with HFB+GCM predictions

HFB+GCM calculations with Gogny D1S interaction^[1] (N. Pillet, CEA/DAM)

^[1] : J.-P. Delaroche et al., Phys. Rev. C 81, 014303 (2010)



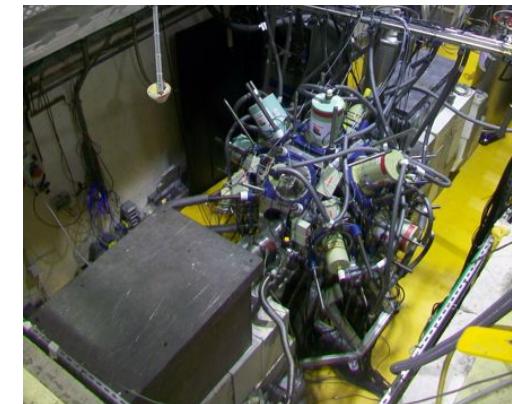
Conclusion

- ◆ **First RDDS experiment on fission fragments identified in A and Z**
 - Identification of nuclei, from Se ($Z=34$) to Xe ($Z=54$) with good resolution of $\Delta A/A=1/200$ and $\Delta Z/Z=1/60$
 - **More neutron rich nuclei** studied : up to 10 neutrons above stability
 - **High spin** : observed transitions up to 10^+
- ◆ **New experimental data on the collectivity in the mass 100 region**
 - 20 lifetimes measured of 4^+ and 6^+ levels, among which **10 measured for the first time**
- ◆ **Comparison with HFB+GCM calculation :**
 - agreement between experimental and theoretical data
 - maximum of collectivity at $N \approx 64/66$

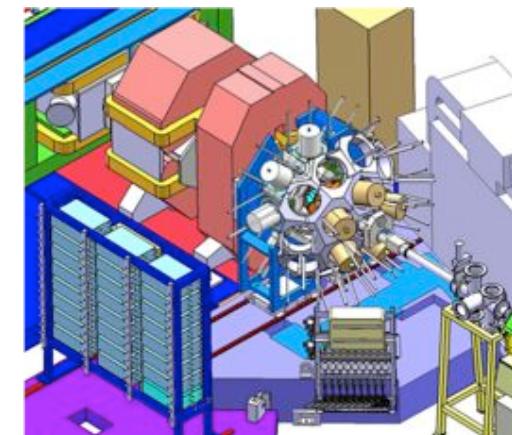
Perspectives for the study of the mass 100 region

Two other lifetime measurement experiments :

- ◆ **EXILL-FATIMA campaign** (performed in march 2013)
 - Neutrons induced fission at ILL on ^{235}U and ^{241}Pu targets
 - fast-timing set up (LaBr₃ detectors + EXOGAM)
→ **longer lifetimes** ($\tau \rightarrow 10^{-9}$ s)
- ◆ **AGATA campaign at GANIL** (intended in 2014-2015)
 - Set-up: VAMOS spectrometer, AGATA and plunger
 - Fusion-fission in inverse kinematics
 - Study of more neutron-rich nuclei and γ -bands,
 γ - γ coincidences



EXOGAM at ILL



AGATA at GANIL

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