

# First measurement of the isoscalar giant resonances in a neutron-rich nucleus: $^{68}\text{Ni}$ with the active target MAYA

Isoscalar Giant Resonances  
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Setup : the active target MAYA  
Results

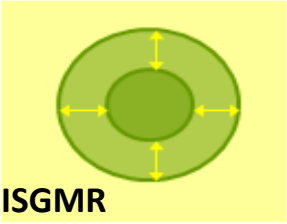
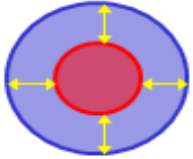
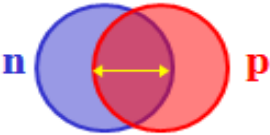
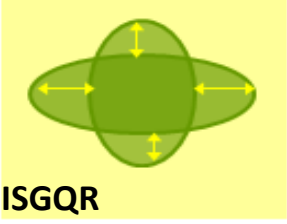
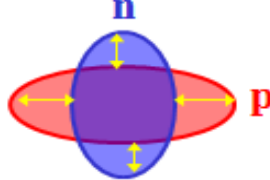
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# Giant Resonances

## What are giant resonances ?

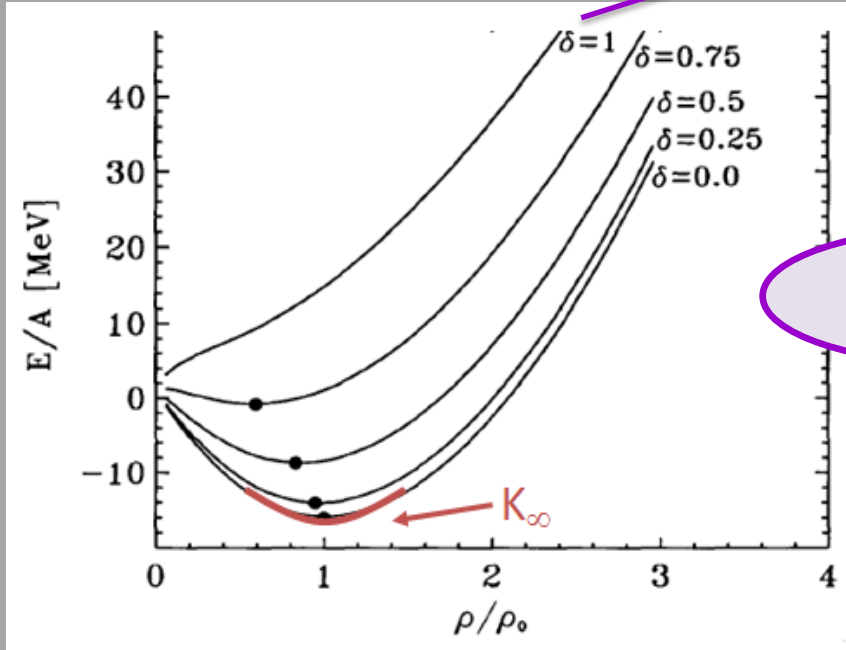
- **Collective excitation mode**
- Feature :
  - Important cross section (100 mb)
  - Exhaust a large part of the EWSR
  - Properties change smoothly with the number of nucleons
- Quantum number of the excitation :
  - Spin  $S$
  - Isospin  $T$
  - Multipolarity  $L$

Electric GR :	$T = 0$ isoscalar	$T = 1$ isovectorial
$L = 0$ monopole (GMR)	 <b>ISGMR</b>	
$L = 1$ dipole (GDR)		 <b>n p</b>
$L = 2$ quadrupole (GQR)	 <b>ISGQR</b>	 <b>n p</b>

# Motivations

## Nuclear matter incompressibility and ISGMR

Asymmetry  
 $\delta = (N-Z)/A$



D.T.Khoa *et al.* Nucl. Phys A. **602** (1996)

Microscopic calculation

- Centroid of the ISGMR  $E_{ISGMR}$

$$E_{ISGMR} = \frac{r}{m \langle r^2 \rangle} K_A$$

Determination of the compression modulus of the nucleus  $K_A$

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Liquid drop development

Determination of the nuclear matter incompressibility  $K_\infty$

### Status

$K_\infty$  has been constrained for symmetric and asymmetric matter. To gain a better knowledge of  $K_\infty$ , we need studies along isotopic chains, including exotic nuclei.

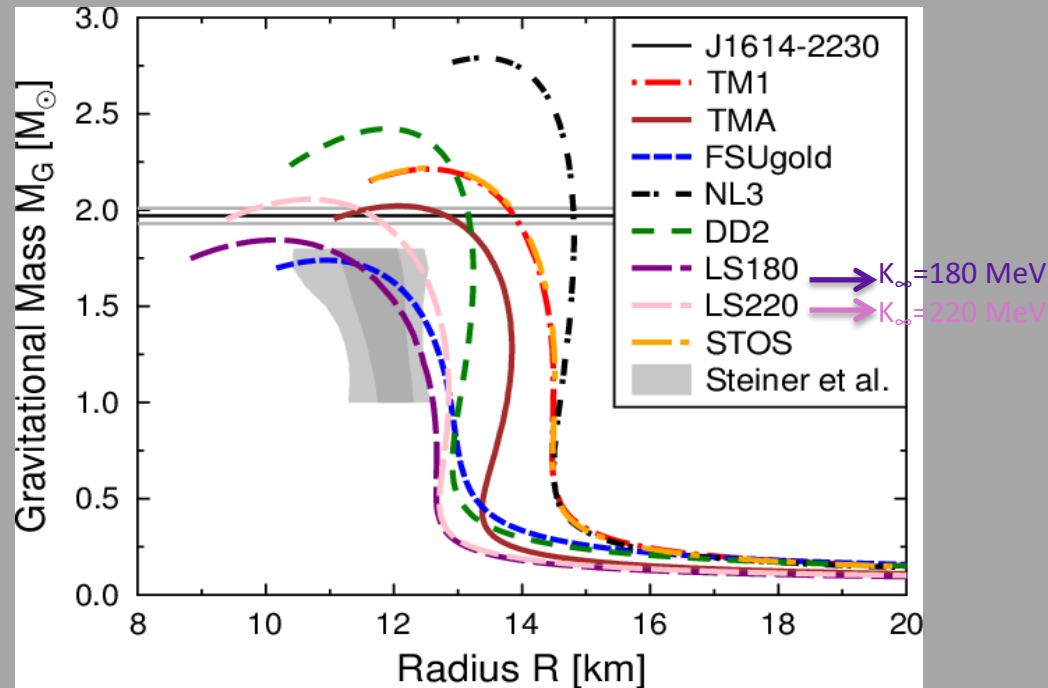
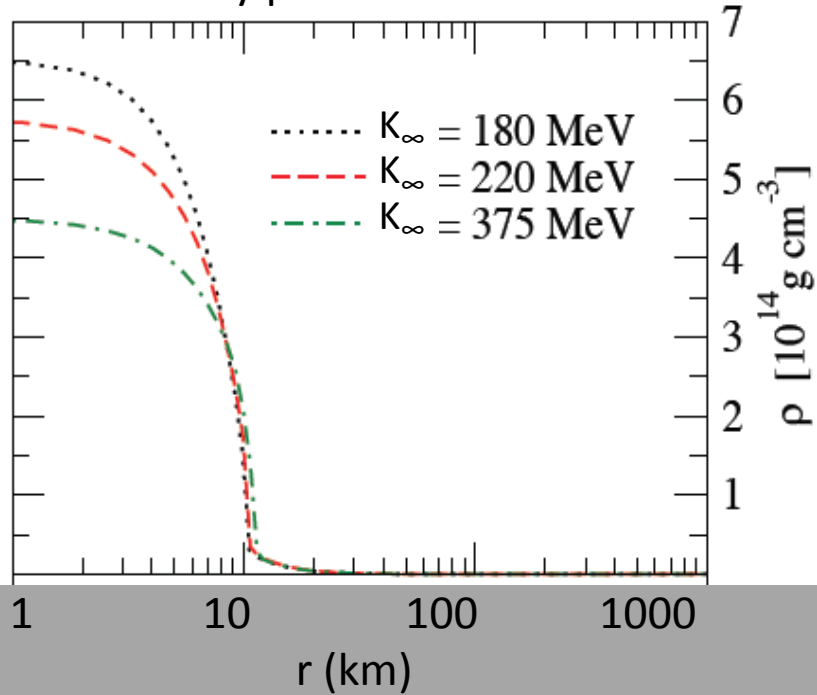
# Motivations

## Nuclear matter incompressibility and ISGMR

In supernovae bounce

In neutron stars

Density profile at bounce

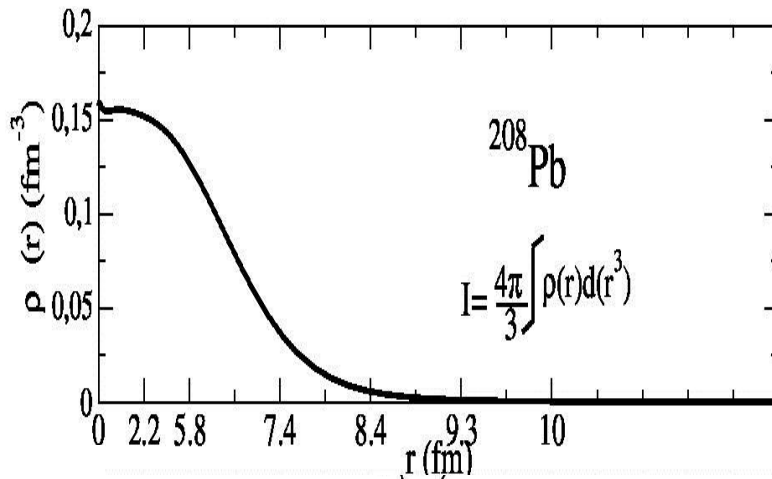


# Motivations

## Nuclear matter incompressibility and ISGMR

### Does ISGMR really related to $K_\infty$ ?

- $K_\infty = 220 \text{ MeV} \pm 30 \text{ MeV}$
- No single functional to reproduce  $K_\infty$  calculated from  $E^*_{\text{GMR}}(\text{Pb})$  and  $K_\infty$  calculated from  $E^*_{\text{GMR}}(\text{Sn})$
- $K_\infty \leftrightarrow$  asymmetry  $\delta = (N-Z)/A$



- Surface : 2/3 of nucleons in  $^{208}\text{Pb}$
- Saturation density area may not be the most probed

$E^*_{\text{GMR}}$  provides  $K(\rho)$   
and not  $K_\infty$



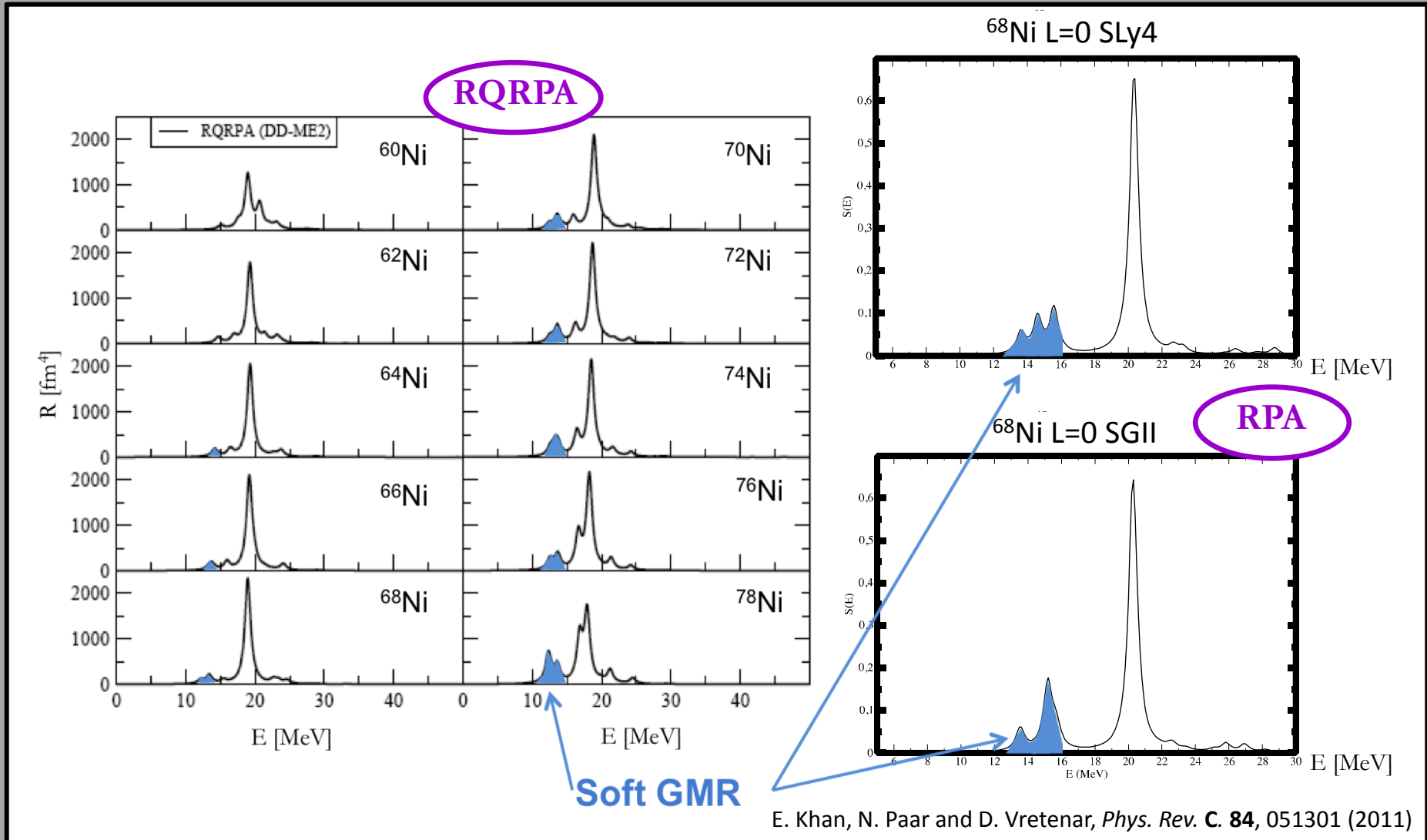
Need measurement of  
 $E^*_{\text{GMR}}$  along isotopic

# Motivations

## Prediction of a soft monopole mode

Prediction of the monopole strength in Ni isotopic

→ Prediction of a low energy mode



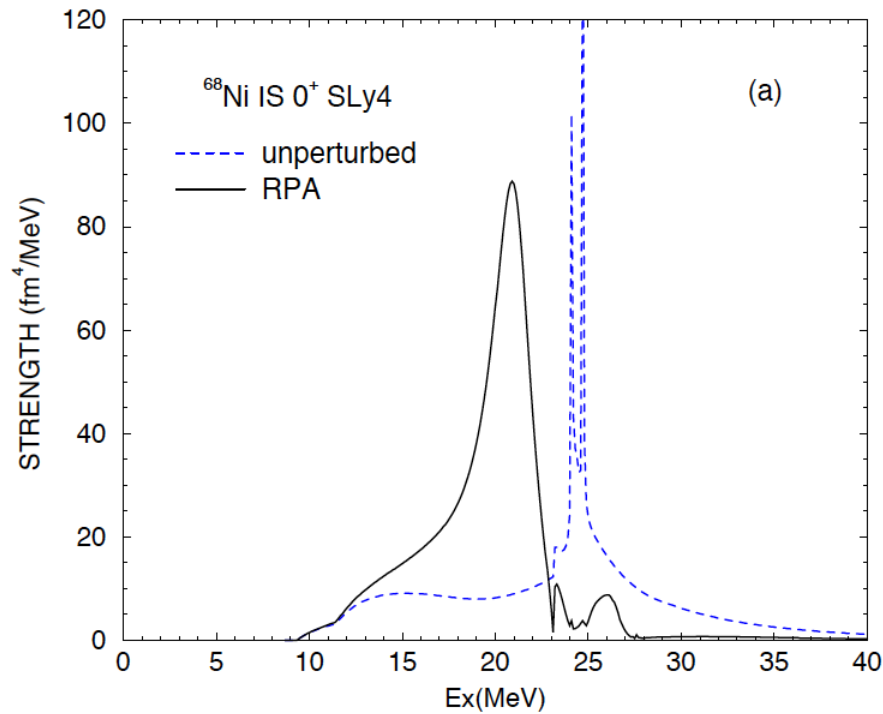
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RPA with exact  
treatment of continuum

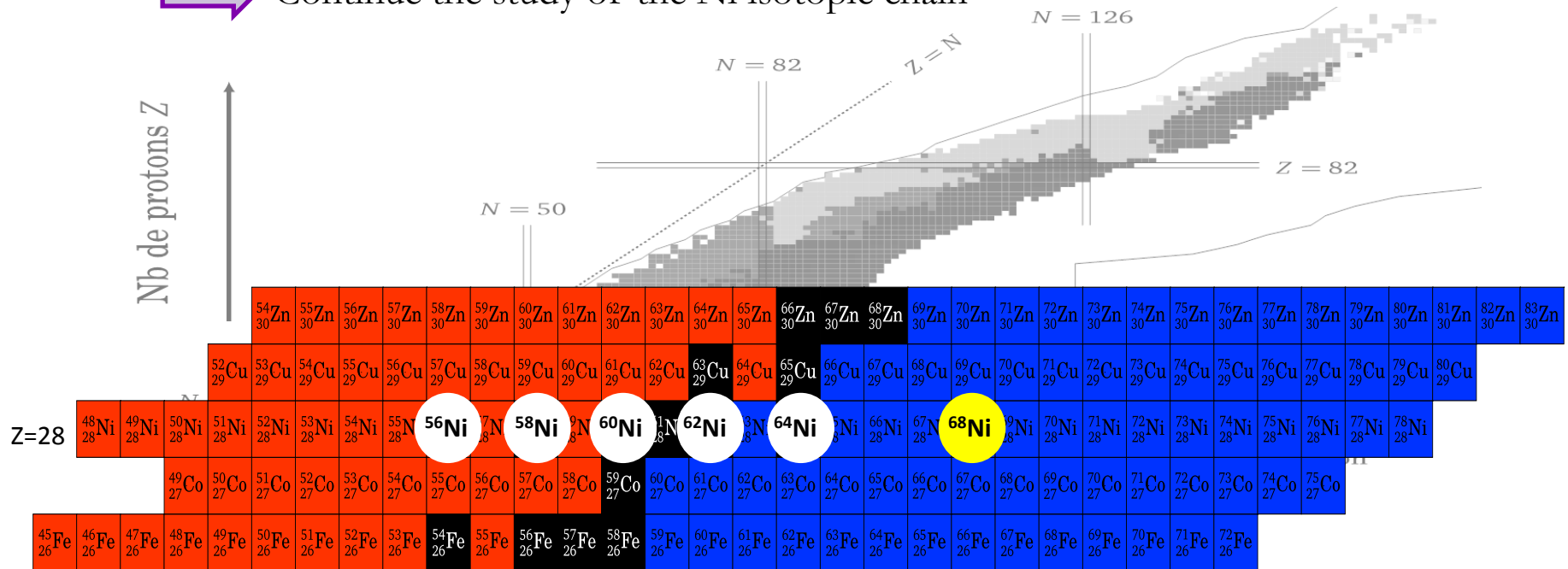


# Motivations

## Status of the GR measurement in unstable nuclei

- Understand these excitation modes from stable to exotic nuclei : the IVGDR/PDR has been measured in  $^{68}\text{Ni}$ , neutron rich Oxygen and Tin isotopes at GSI, in  $^{26}\text{Ne}$  at Riken
- 1st measurement of the ISGMR and ISGQR in unstable nuclei  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  :  $^{56}\text{Ni}(d,d')^{56}\text{Ni}^*$   
Monrozeau *et al.*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **100**, 042501 (2008)

- ⇒ Study of the ISGMR and ISGQR in a neutron rich Ni :  $^{68}\text{Ni}$
- ⇒ Continue the study of the Ni isotopic chain



Study of the ISGMR and ISGQR using inelastic scattering  $^{68}\text{Ni}(\alpha,\alpha')^{68}\text{Ni}^*$  and  $^{68}\text{Ni}(d,d')^{68}\text{Ni}^*$

Experiment at GANIL

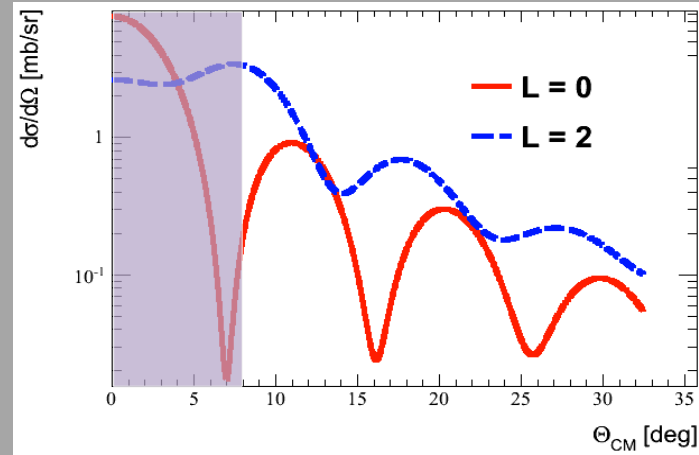
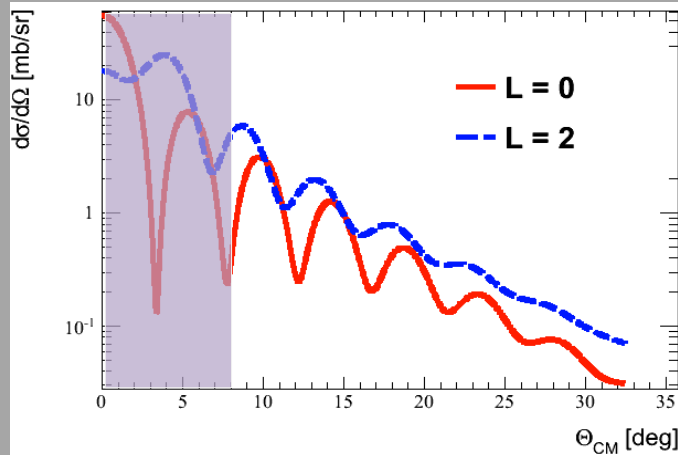


# Setup : the active target MAYA

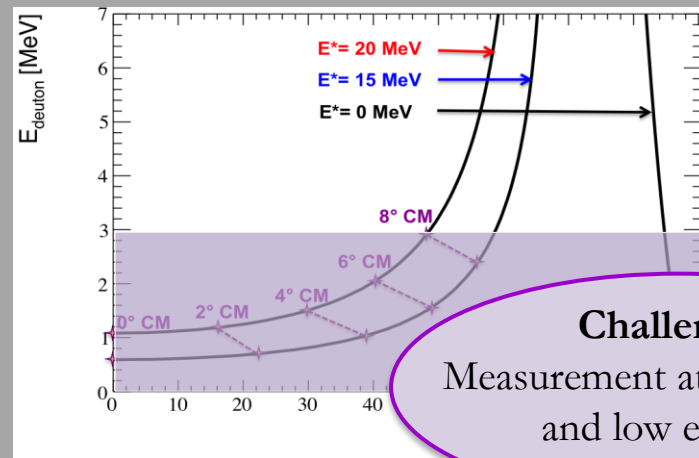
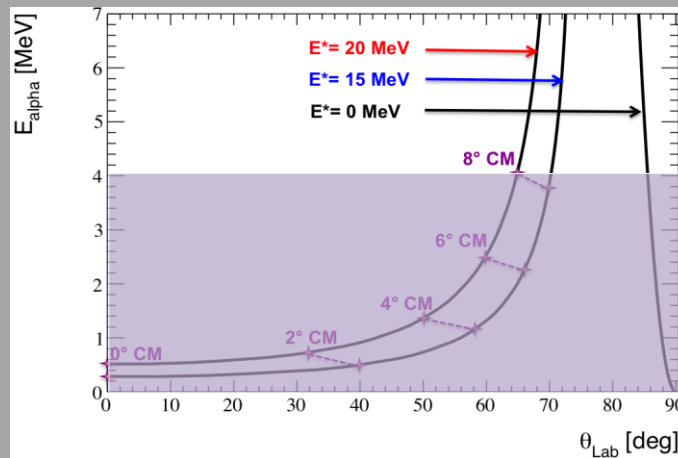
## Need an active target

Study of the ISGMR and in ISGQR using inelastic scattering  $^{68}\text{Ni}(\alpha, \alpha')^{68}\text{Ni}^*$  and  $^{68}\text{Ni}(d, d')^{68}\text{Ni}^*$

$^{68}\text{Ni}(\alpha, \alpha')^{68}\text{Ni}^*$



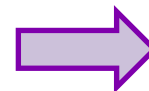
$^{68}\text{Ni}(d, d')^{68}\text{Ni}^*$



**Challenge :**  
Measurement at small angles  
and low energies

We have to consider :

- Inverse kinematics with a low recoiling energy
- Low production rate



Use of an Active Target :

- low detection threshold
- thick target



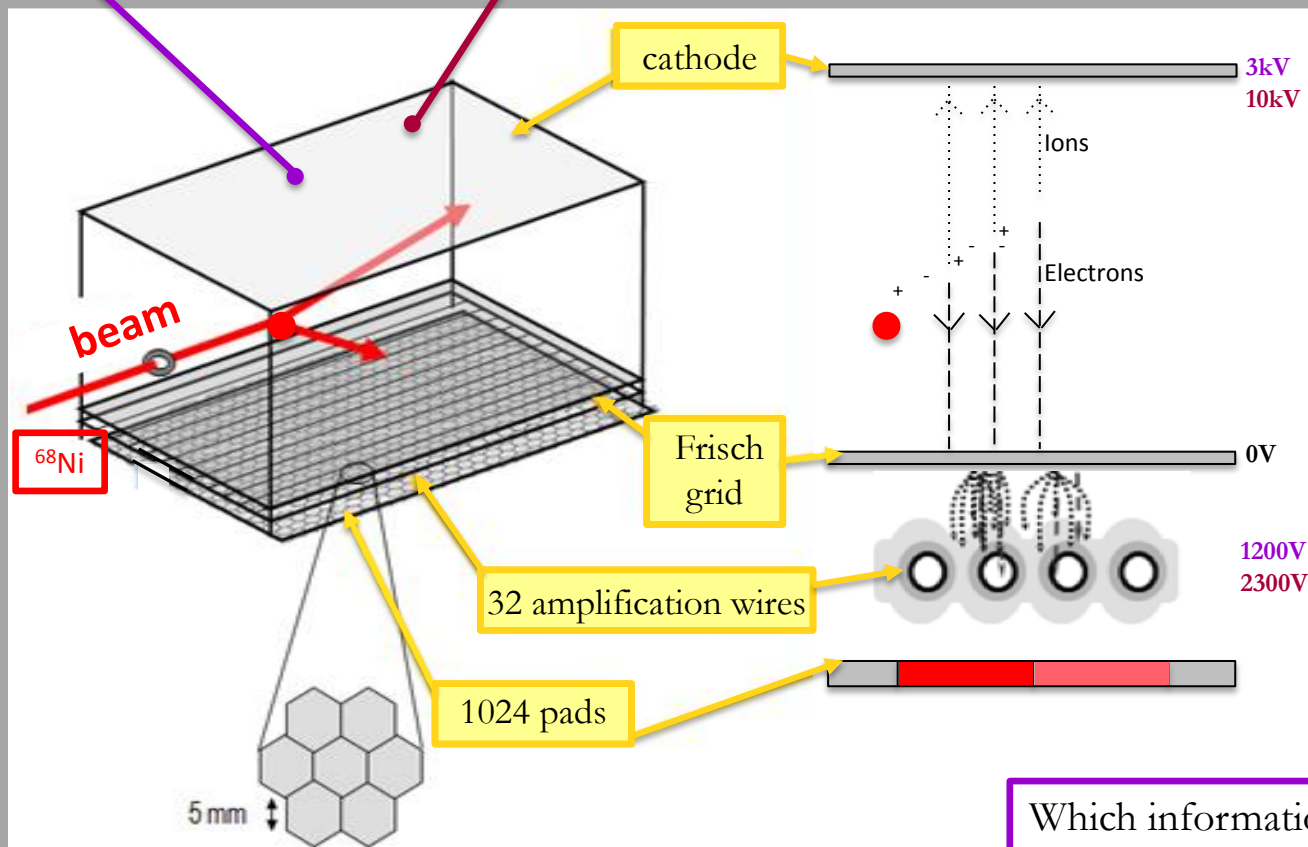
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## Principle

### The active target MAYA

Gas : Helium 95% + CF4 5%  
Pressure : 0.5 bar  
 ${}^{68}\text{Ni} + \alpha \rightarrow \alpha' + {}^{68}\text{Ni}^*$

Gas : D2  
Pressure : 1 bar  
 ${}^{68}\text{Ni} + d \rightarrow d' + {}^{68}\text{Ni}^*$



### Time Projection Chamber (TPC) :

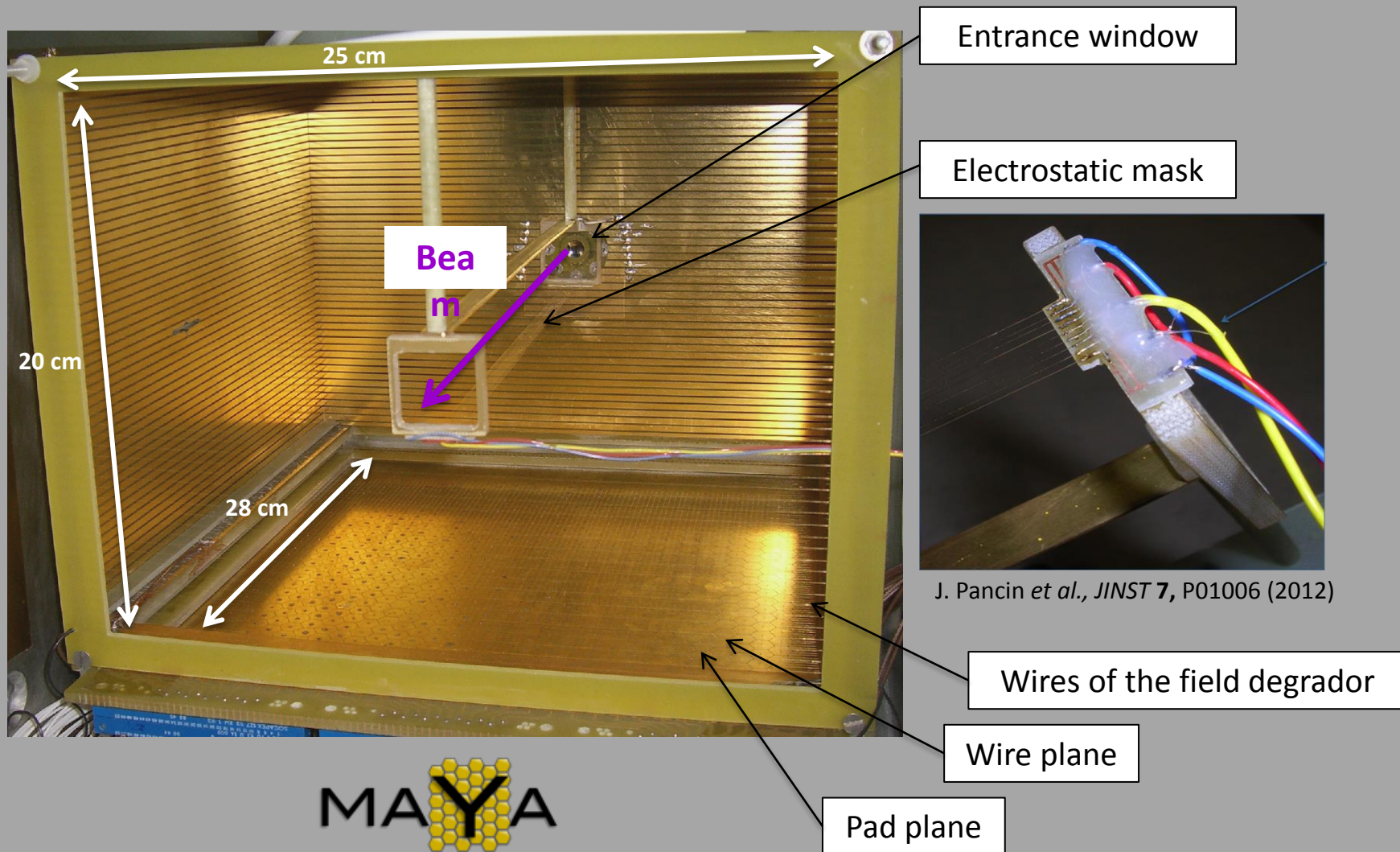
1. The scattered deuteron or  $\alpha$  ionizes the gas
2. The electrons drift towards the Frisch grid
3. Amplification on the wires
4. Signal on each pad proportionnal to the amount of electrons collected on the wire above

Which information are stored ?

- Time on each wire
- Charge induced on each pad

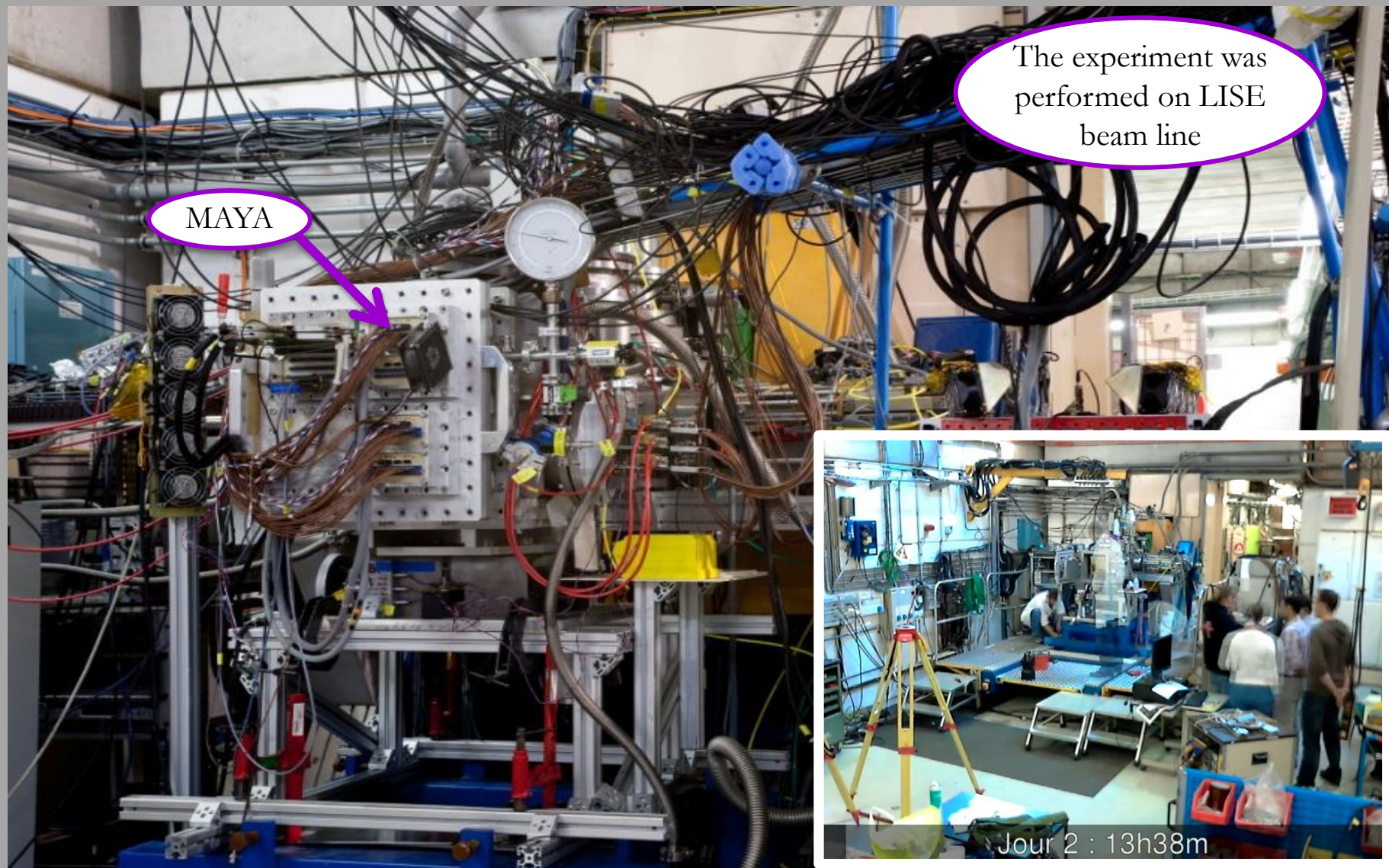
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## Production of the $^{68}\text{Ni}$ at GANIL

Production of  $^{68}\text{Ni}$  beam from fragmentation of  $^{70}\text{Zn}$

Acceleration of the primary beam  $^{70}\text{Zn}$

$^{70}\text{Zn}$  at 62.3 A.MeV

Target production  $^9\text{Be}$  140  $\mu\text{m}$

DP1

Degrador

DP2

Wien filter (not used)

LISE Spectrometer

MAYA

$^{68}\text{Ni}$  at 50 A.MeV

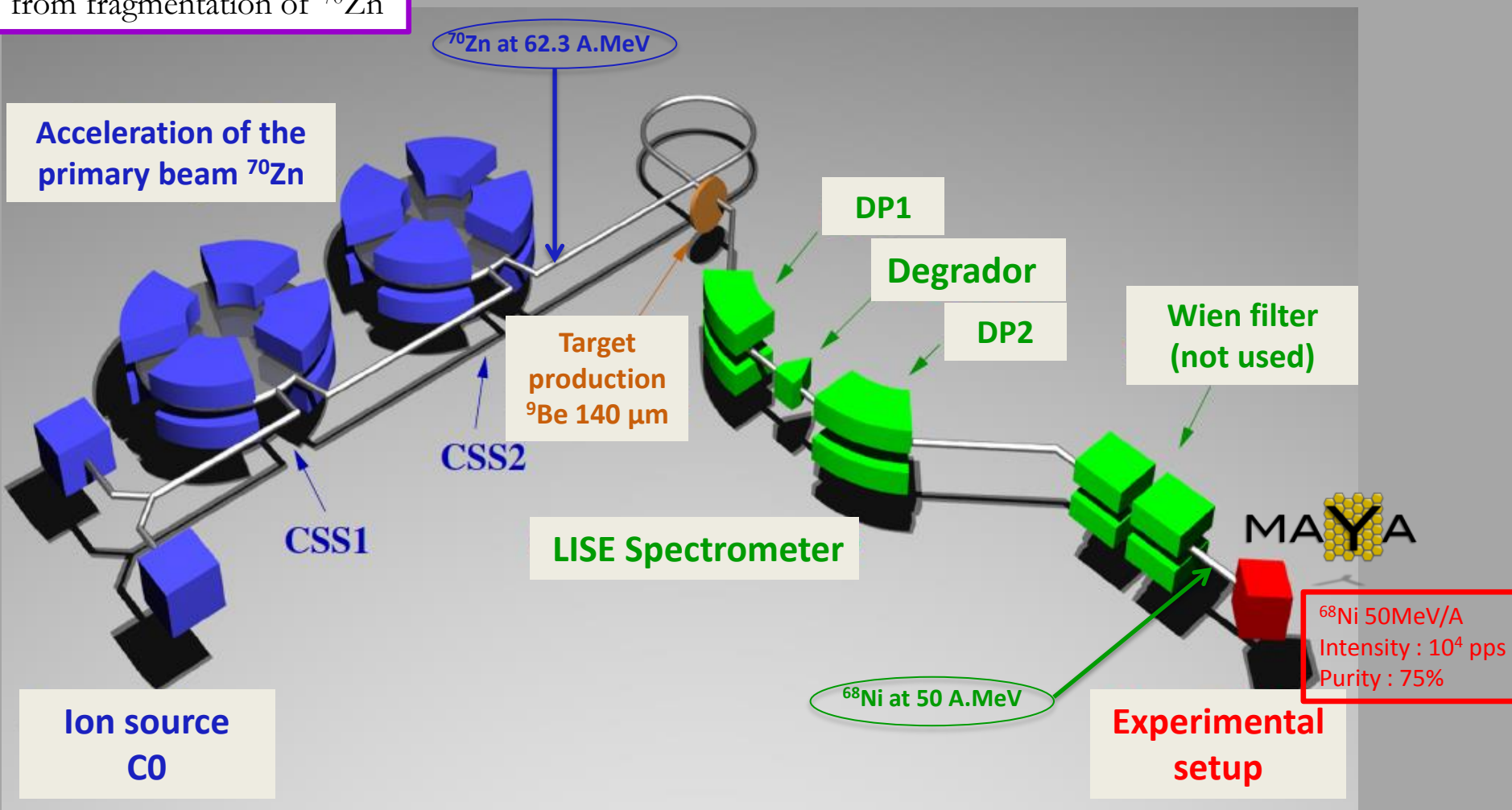
$^{68}\text{Ni}$  50MeV/A  
Intensity :  $10^4$  pps  
Purity : 75%

Ion source  
CO

CSS1

CSS2

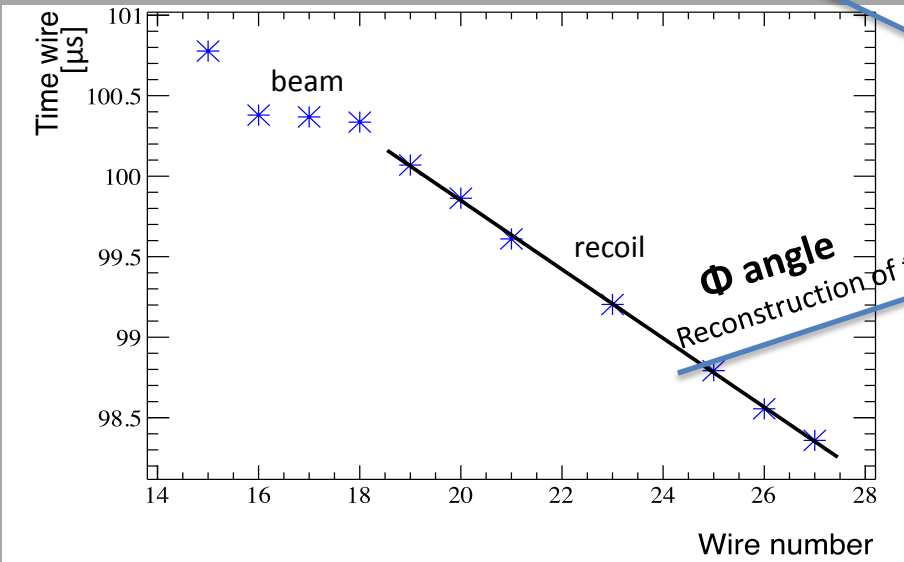
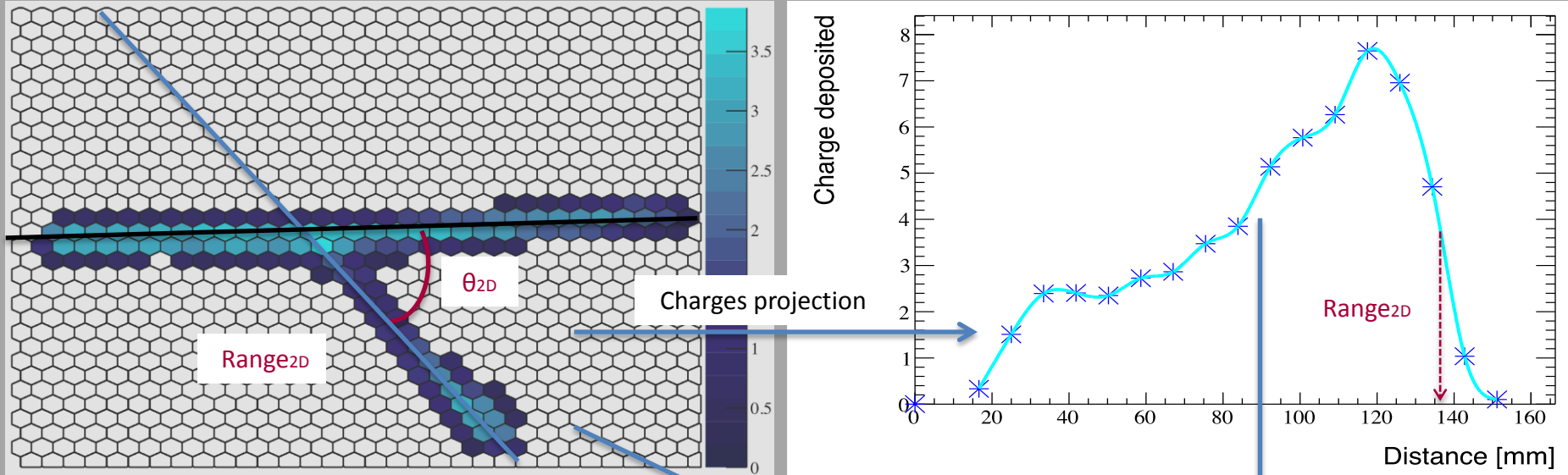
Experimental  
setup



# Results

## Tracking reconstruction

T. Roger *et al.*, Nucl. Instrum. Meth. **638**, 134 (2011)



$\theta_{2D}$  angle

Range<sub>2D</sub>

Range of the recoil  $\alpha$   
and  $\theta$

SRIM

$E_\alpha$  and  $\theta$

2 bodies  
kinematics laws

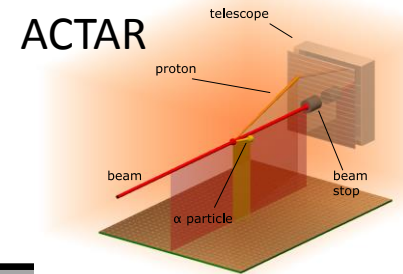
$E^*(^{68}\text{Ni})$  and  $\theta_{\text{CM}}$

# Results

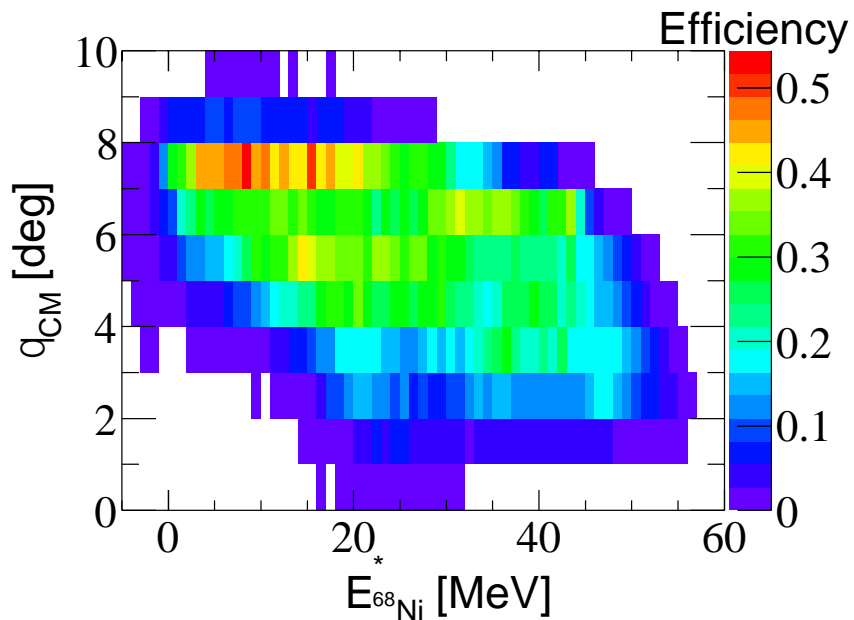
## Efficiency

- Geometric efficiency using ActarSim code (based on Geant4 and ROOT)
- Each simulated event is reconstructed with the code for physical events

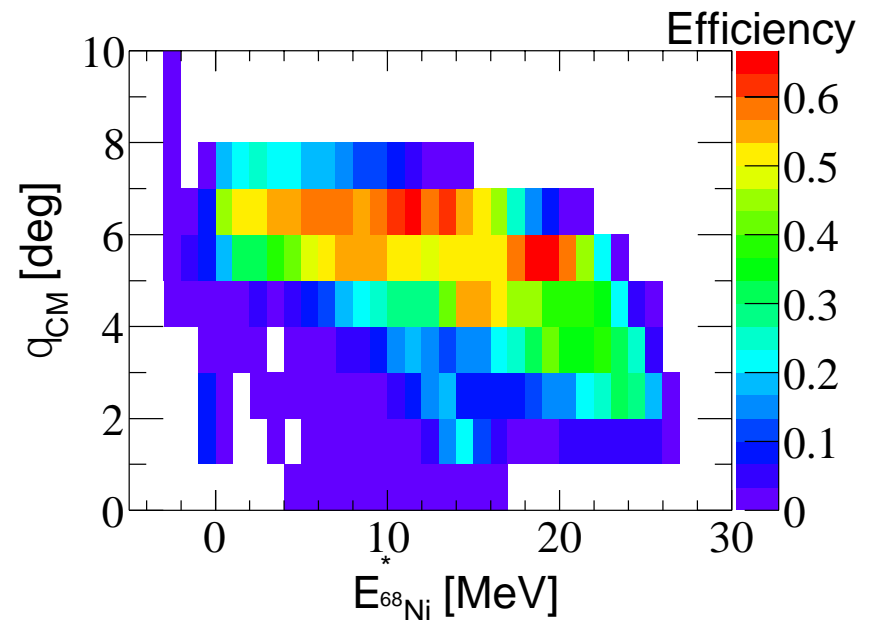
➔ Geometric and reconstruction efficiency



$^{68}\text{Ni}(\alpha, \alpha')^{68}\text{Ni}^*$

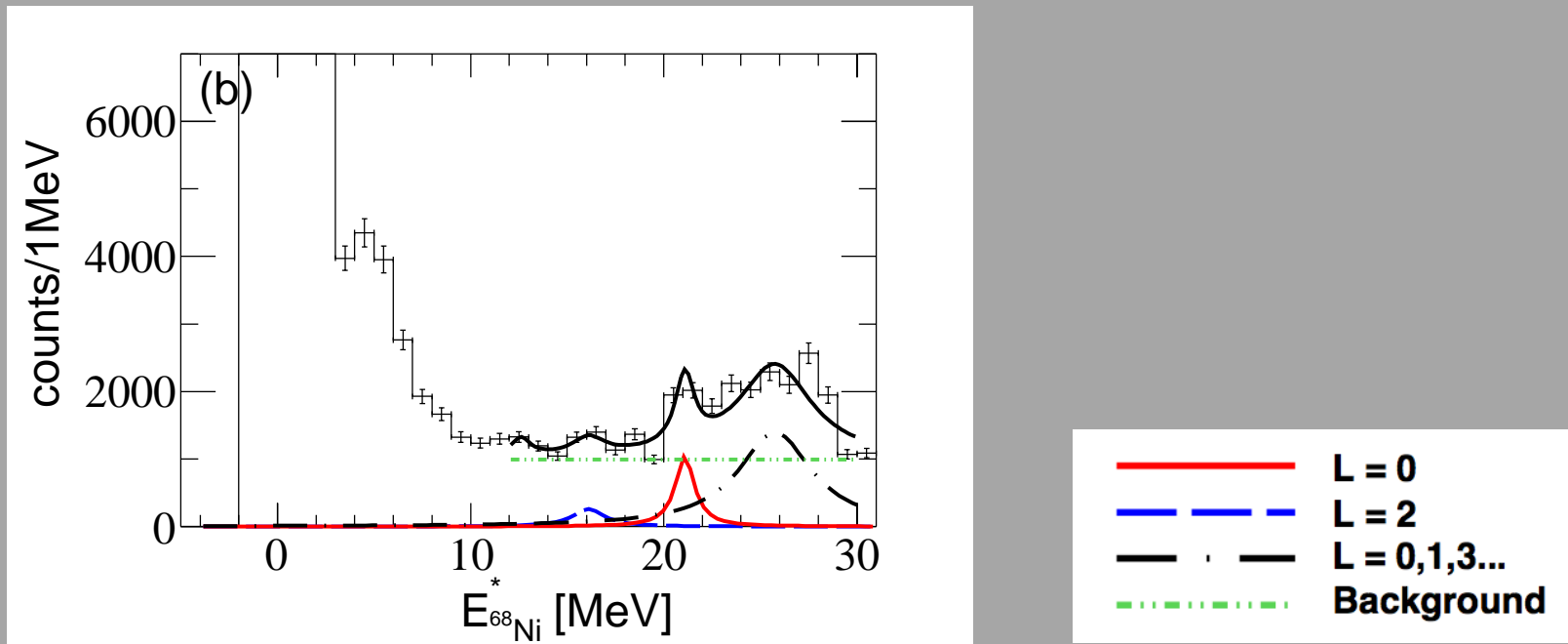


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## Excitation energy spectra

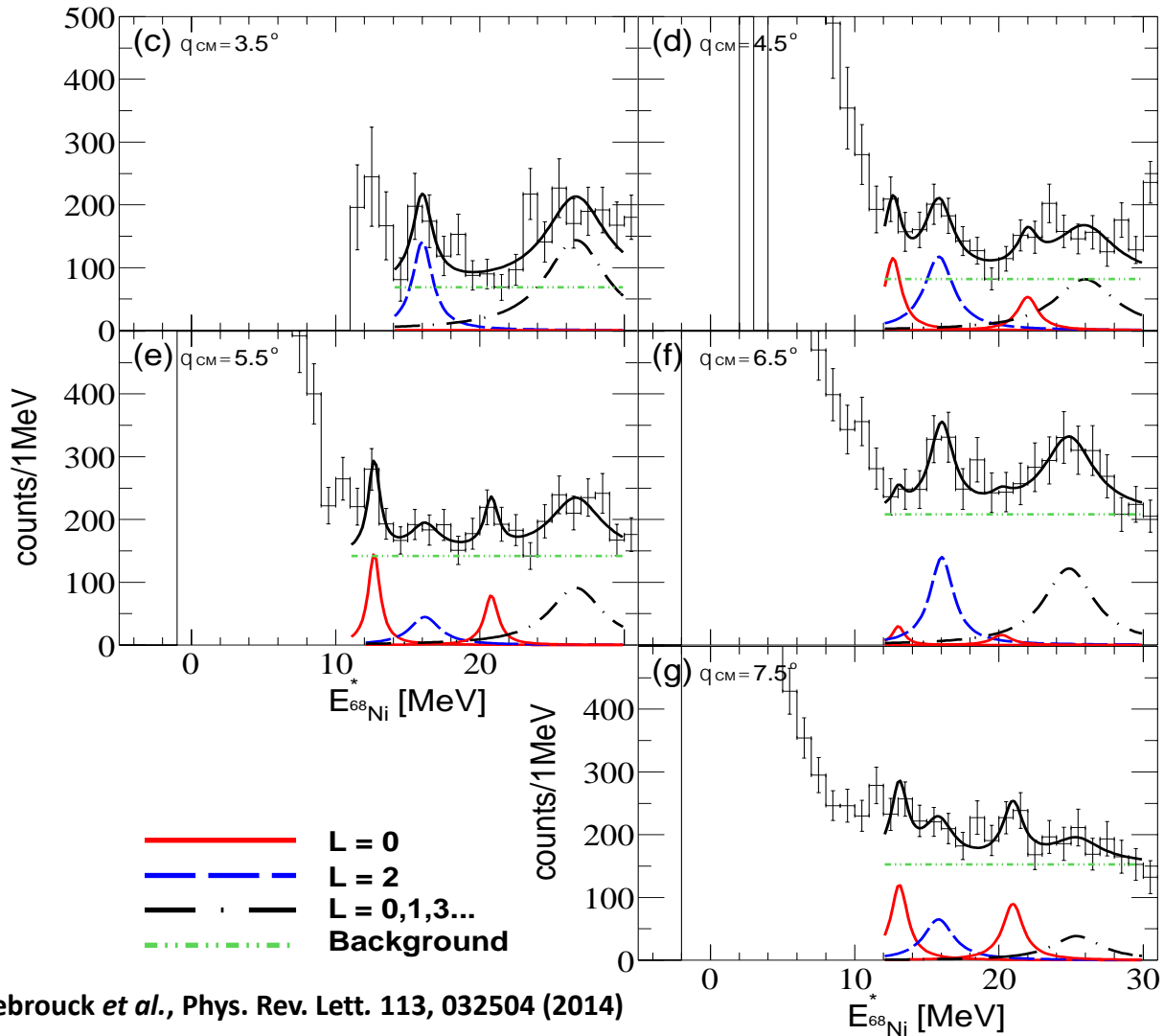


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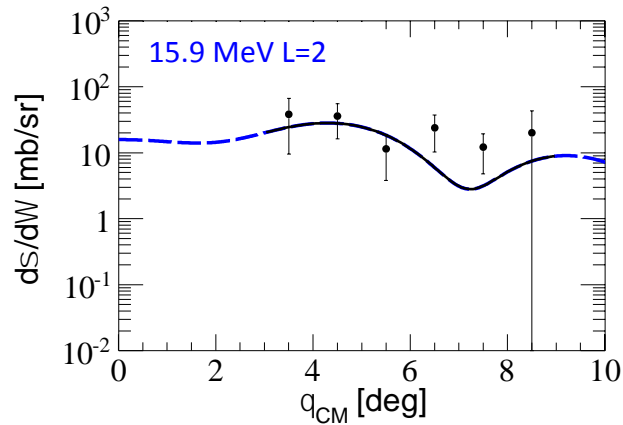
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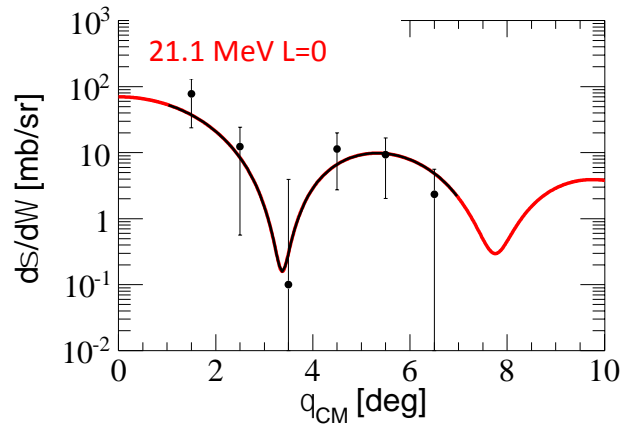
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## Angular distribution

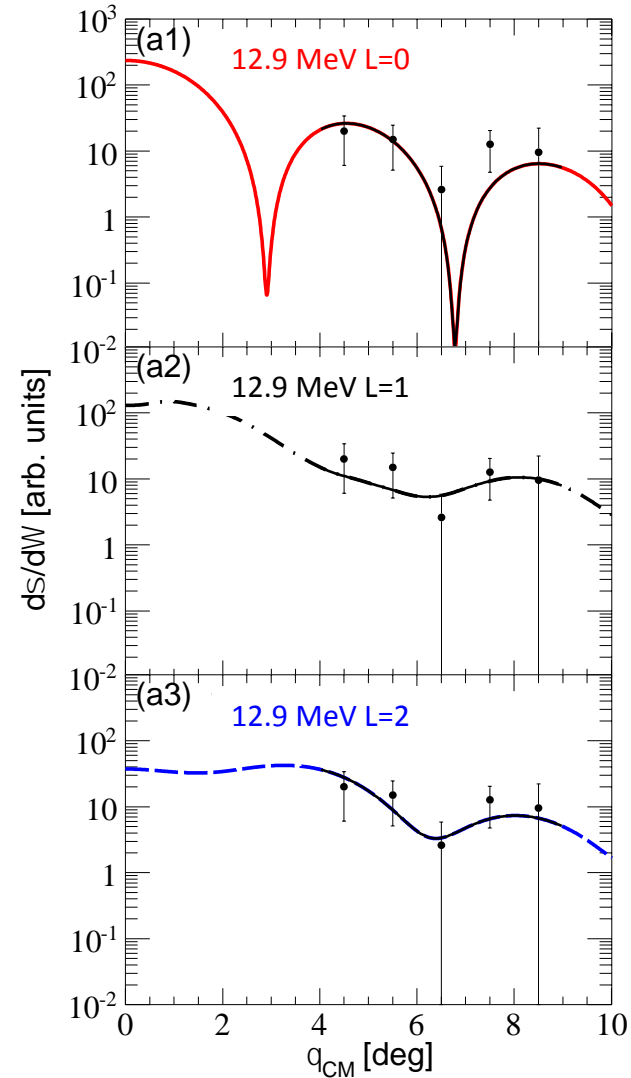
ISGQR



ISGMR



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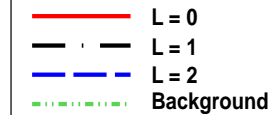
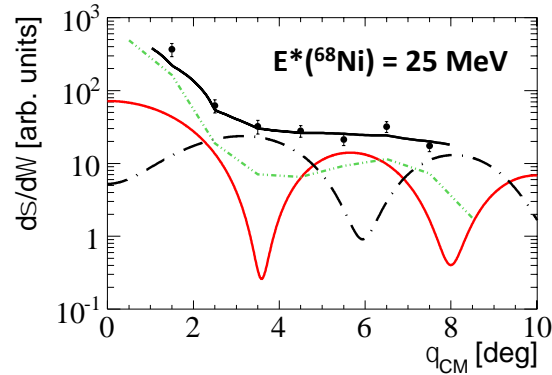
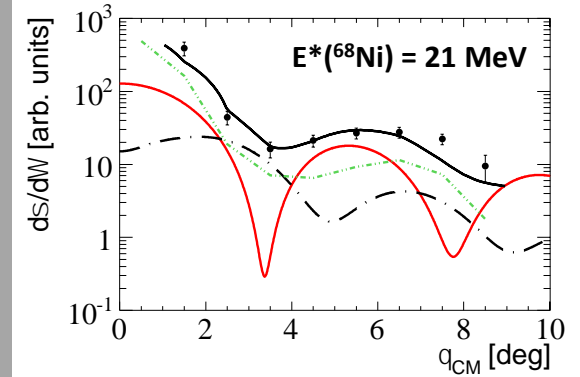
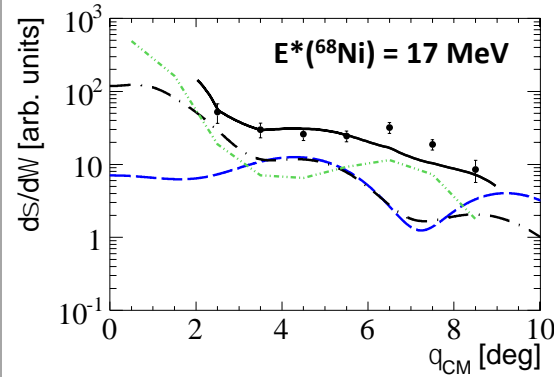
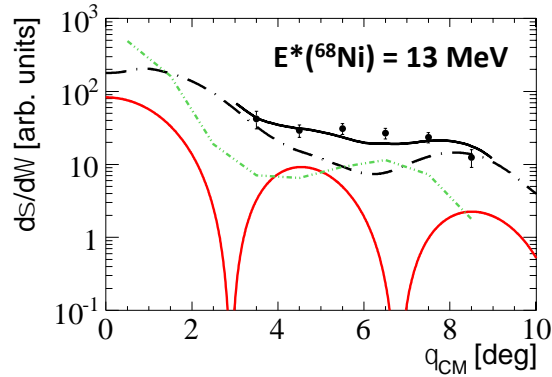


Soft  
ISGMR ?

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## Multipole Decomposition Analysis

$$\left. \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right|_{exp} (\theta_{CM}, E^*) = \sum_{L=0}^2 S_L(E^*) \left. \frac{d\sigma_L}{d\Omega} \right|_{theo} (\theta_{CM}) + \frac{d\sigma_{fond}}{d\Omega} (\theta_{CM})$$

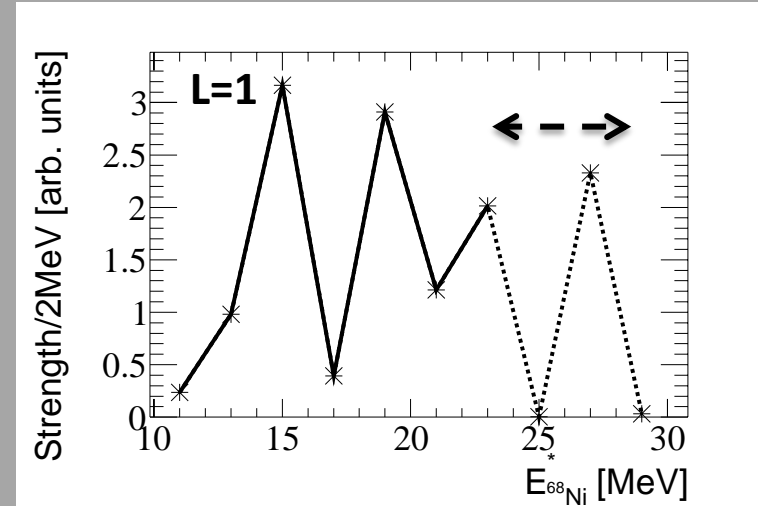
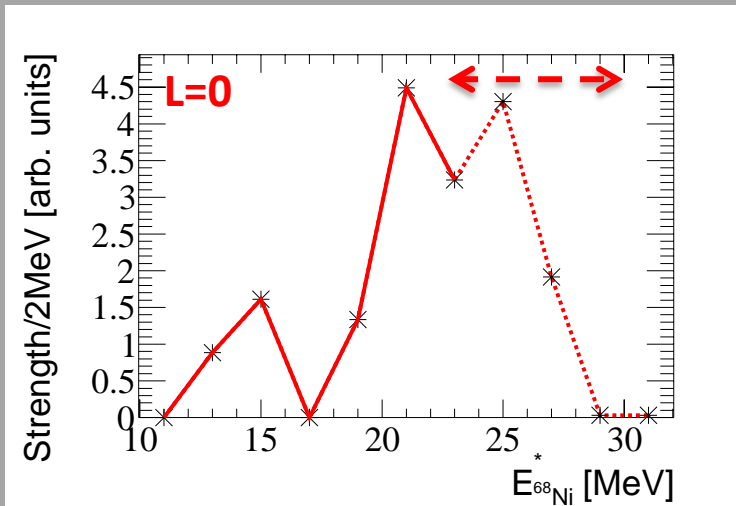


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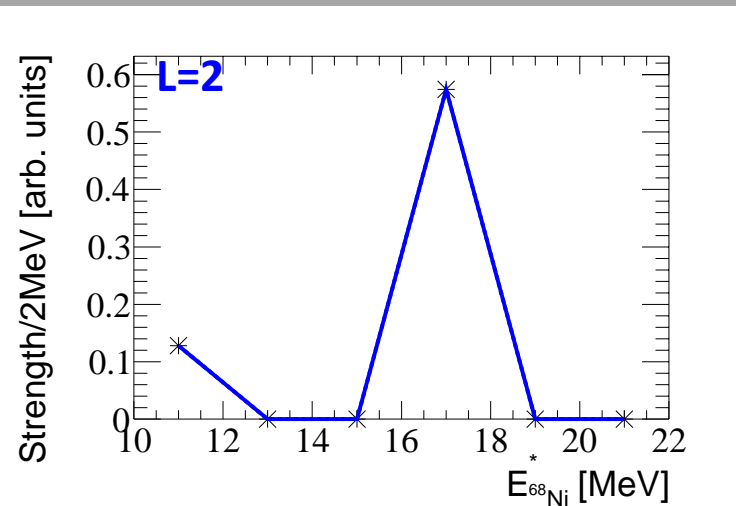
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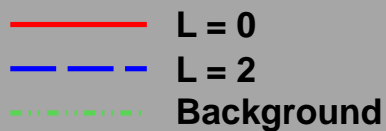
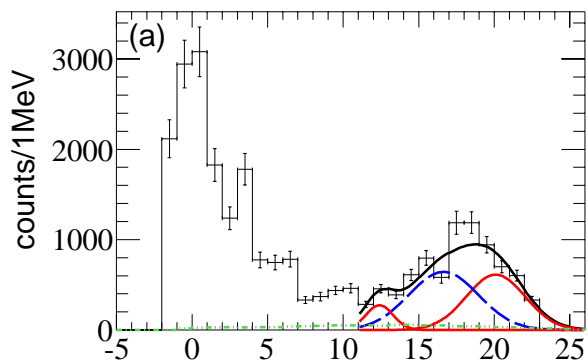


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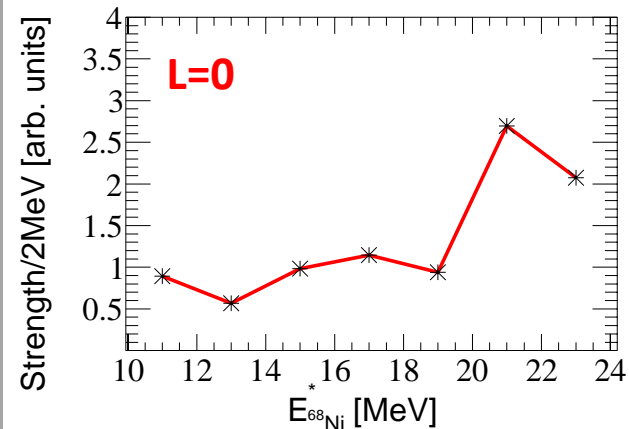
- **L = 0** : - fragmentation of the ISGMR with a shoulder at 21 MeV  
- increase of the strength at 13 MeV
- **L = 1** : - increase of the strength at 21 MeV and below 15 MeV
- **L = 2** : - concentration of the strength around 16 MeV
- From 23 MeV other multipolarities...

# Results $^{68}\text{Ni}(d,d')^{68}\text{Ni}^*$

## Fitting method

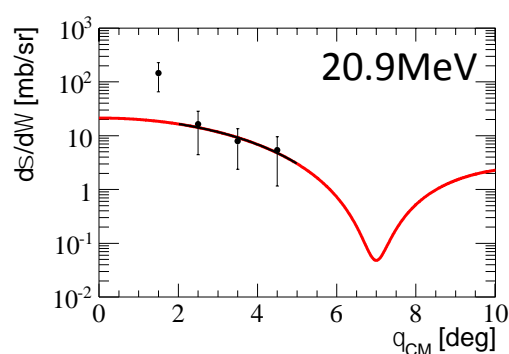
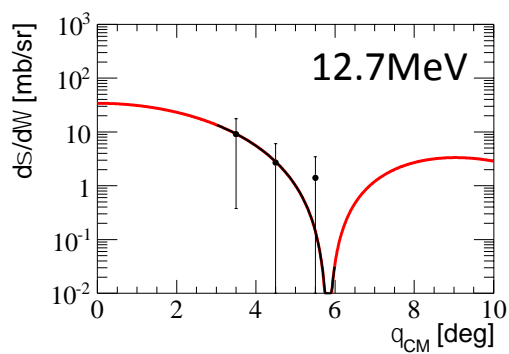


## Multipole Decomposition Analysis (MDA)



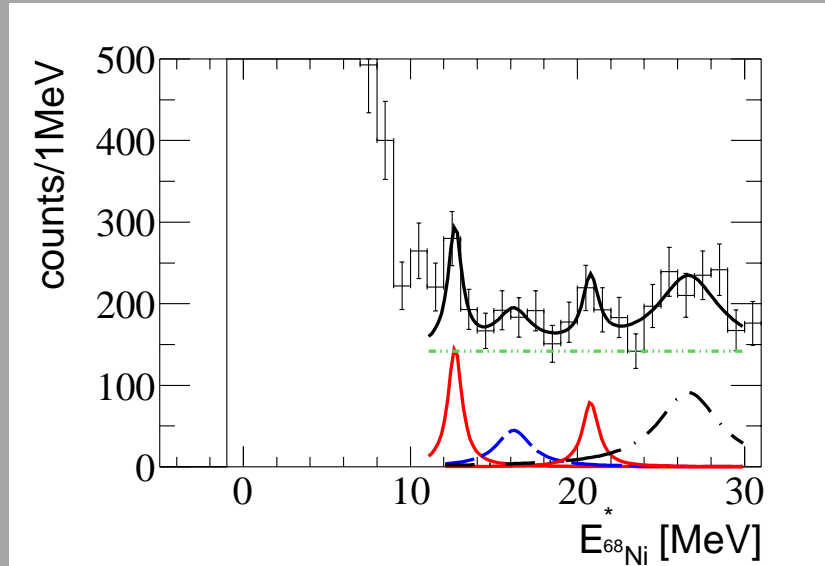
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	Centroid (MeV)	FWHM (MeV)
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Resonance 2	$16.5 \pm 2.0$	$4.3 \pm 2.6$
Resonance 3	$20.9 \pm 1.0$	$4.4 \pm 0.5$



# Results

## Synthesis



### Soft ISGMR

**Mixed** with ISGDR

$12.9 \pm 1.0$  MeV in  $(\alpha, \alpha')$

$12.7 \pm 0.3$  MeV in  $(d, d')$

### ISGMR

**Fragmented** strength with a shoulder at :

$21.1 \pm 1.9$  MeV in  $(\alpha, \alpha')$

$20.9 \pm 1.0$  MeV in  $(d, d')$

### ISGQR

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# Conclusion and outlook

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- Measurement of the isoscalar strength in  $^{68}\text{Ni}$
- Study of inelastic scattering  $^{68}\text{Ni}(\alpha, \alpha')^{68}\text{Ni}^*$  and  $^{68}\text{Ni}(d, d')^{68}\text{Ni}^*$  with MAYA active target



First use of MAYA with the mixture (He + CF<sub>4</sub>)

Better statistics in  $(\alpha, \alpha')$

- 2nd measurement of ISGR in an exotic nuclei :
  - Study of isotopic chain including exotic nuclei
  - GR with active target

## Outlook

### Active target development

- Active target adapted for GR studies
- ACTAR + GET development

### Isoscalar monopole strength in exotic nuclei

- Study in heavier nuclei



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