

# Introducción a la física nuclear con Núcleos exóticos

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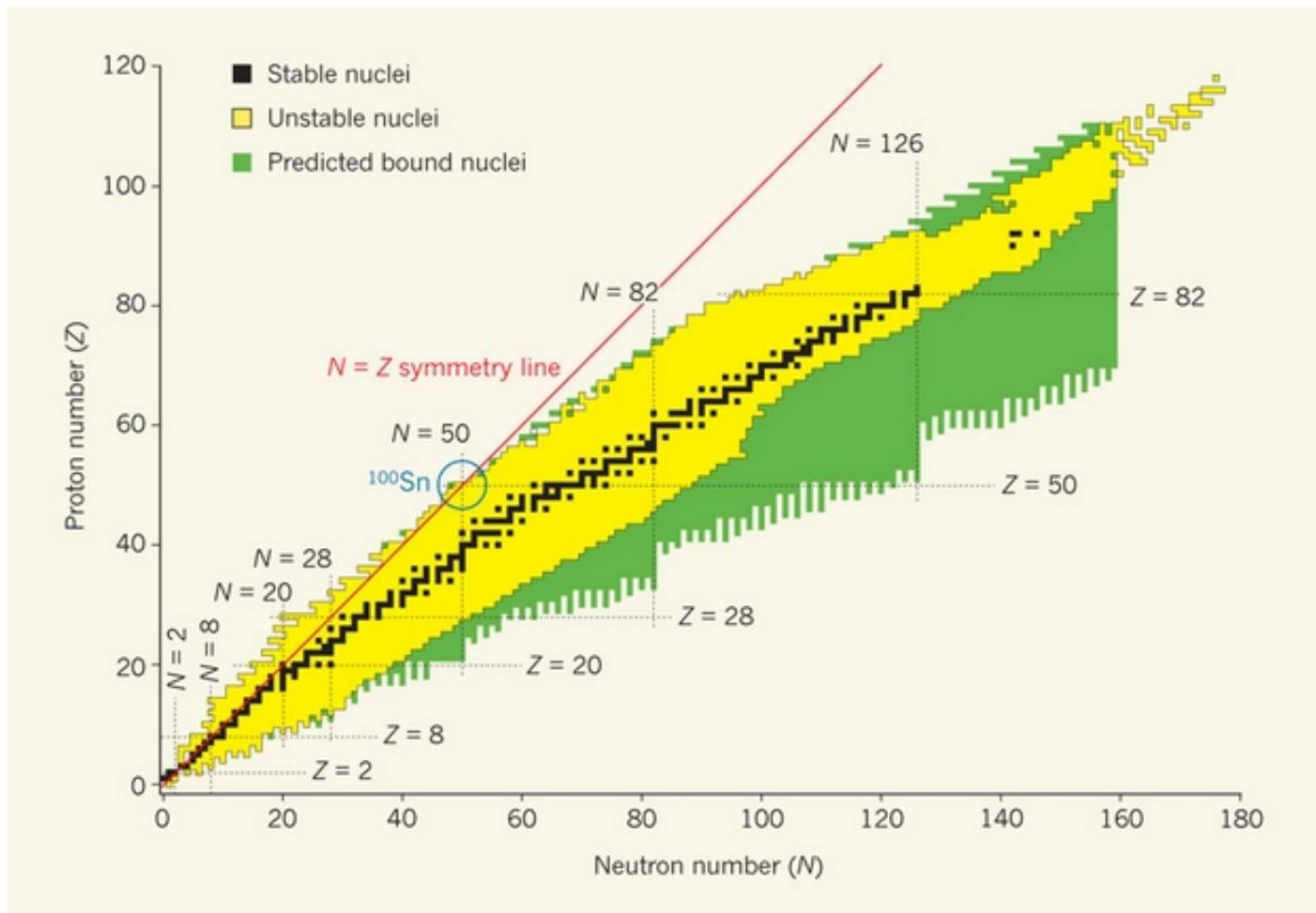


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- ✓ 30 years of radioactive beams
- ✓ Experimental investigation of the atomic nucleus
- ✓ Production of exotic beams
- ✓ Why different experimental approaches?
- ✓ Few selected examples

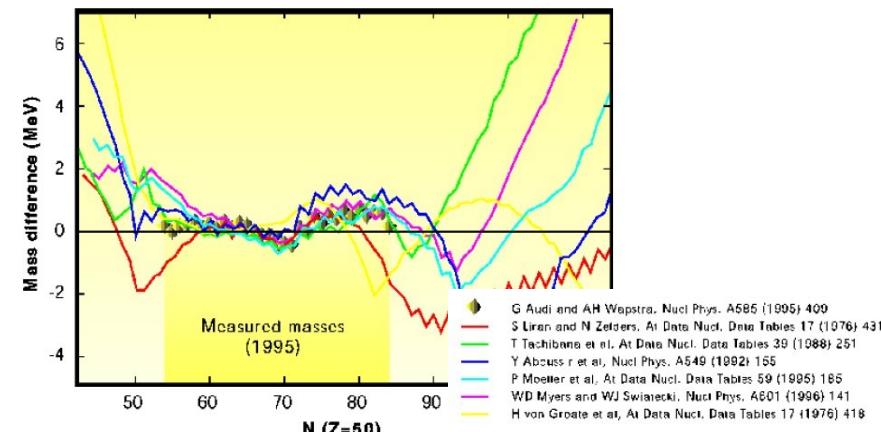
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# Experimental investigation of the atomic nucleus

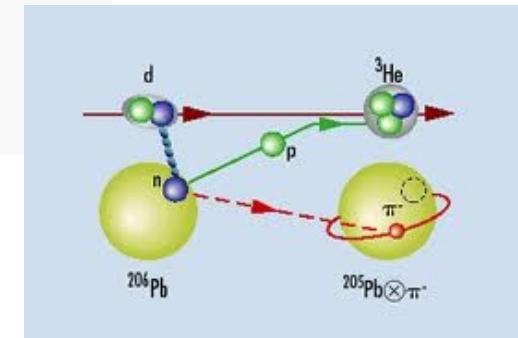
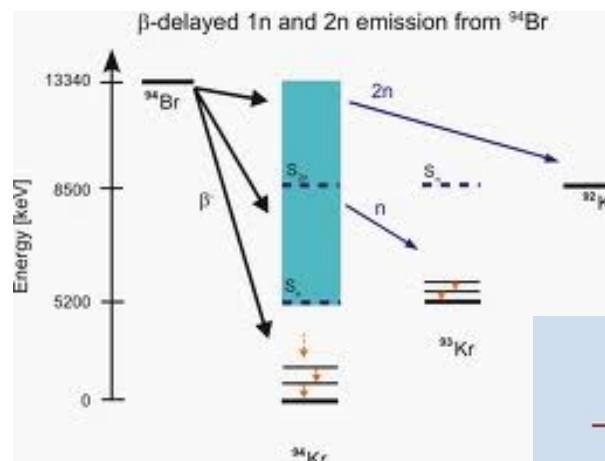
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- masses
- size: matter and charge radial distributions, deformation
- electromagnetic moments



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- direct reactions
- compound nucleus reactions

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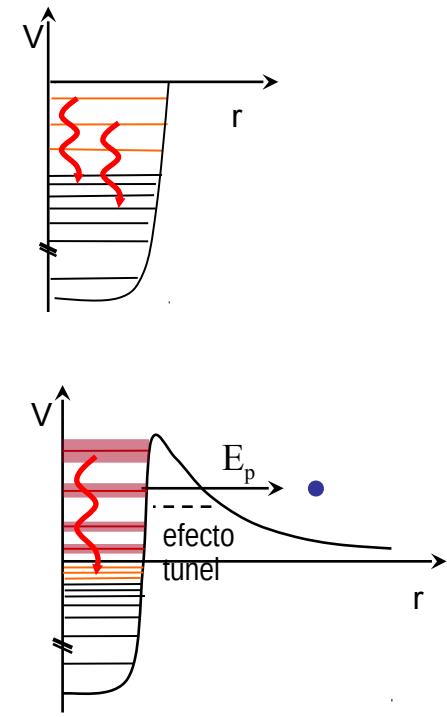
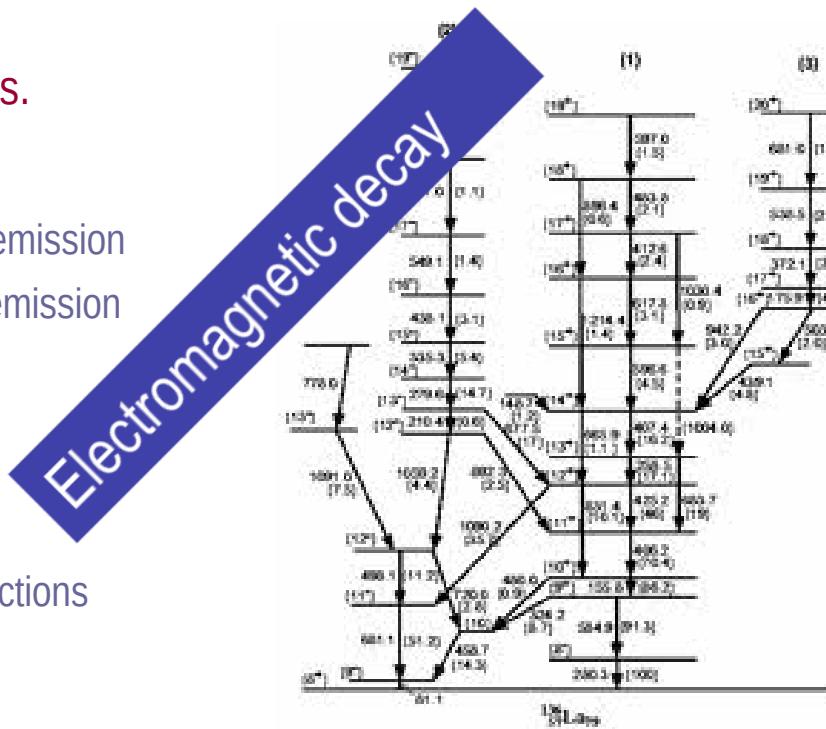
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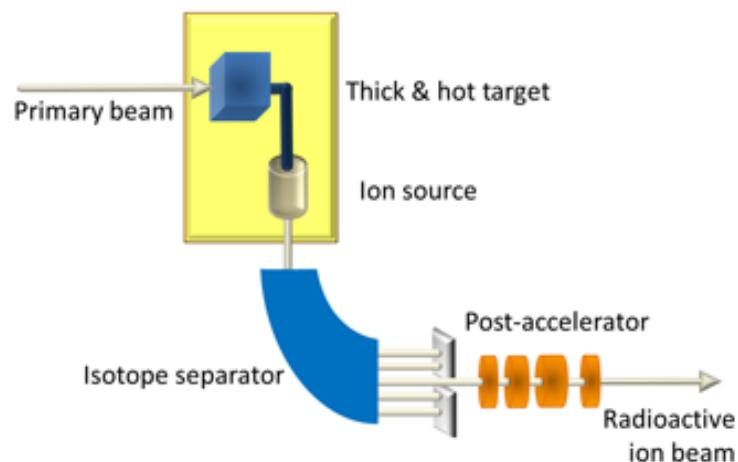
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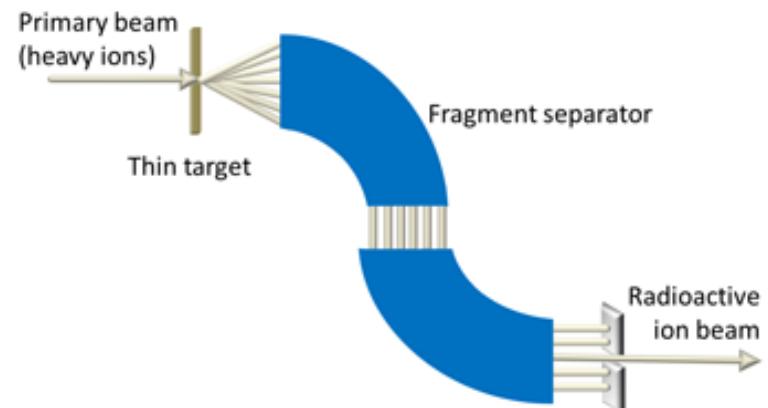


# Production of radioactive beams

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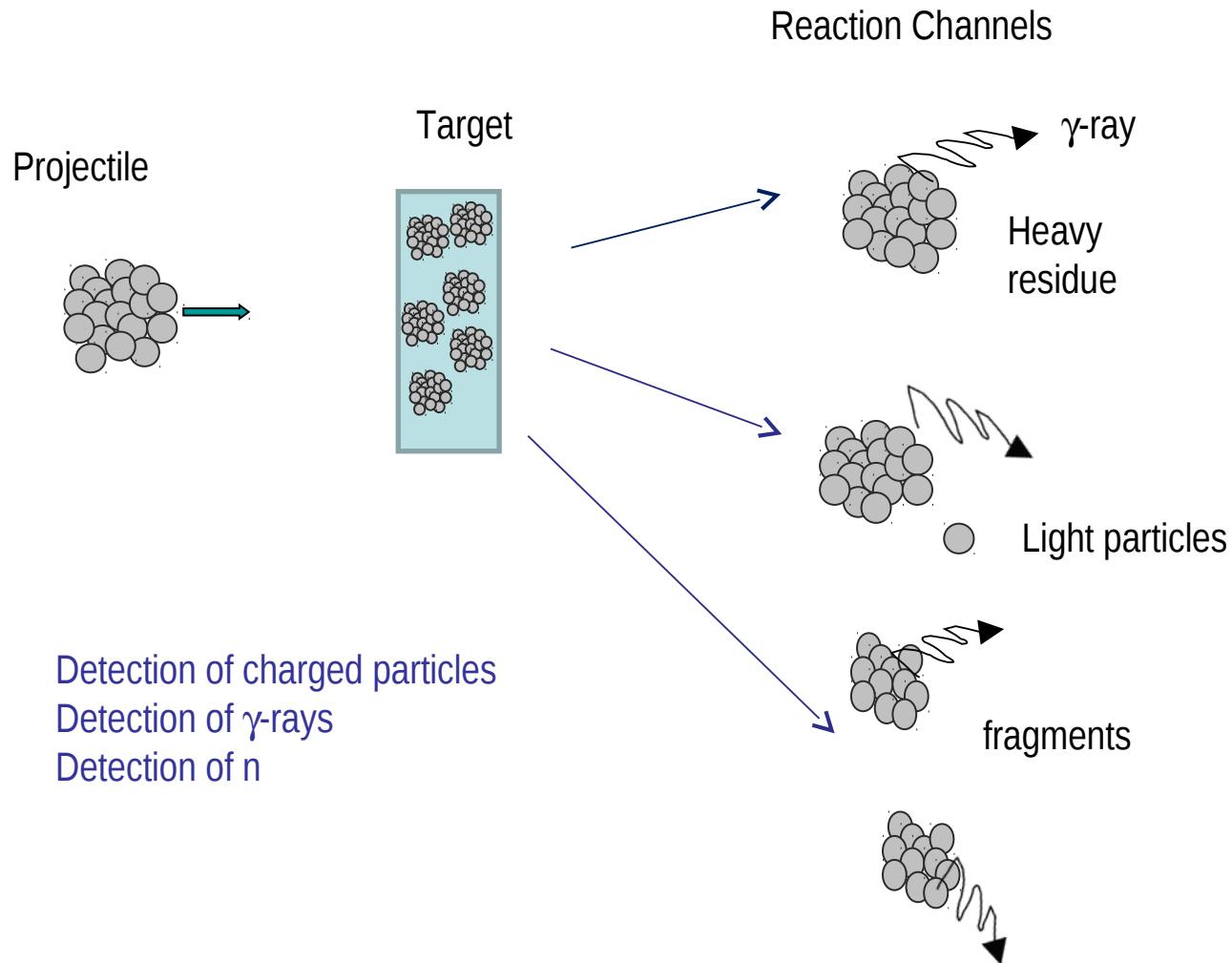
## IN-FLIGHT



- Low energy
- ms preparation time
- good beam quality

- High energy
- $\mu$ s flight path
- poor beam quality

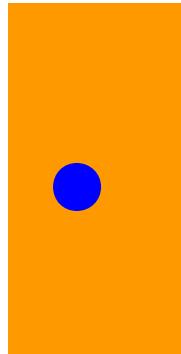
# Experiment with radioactive beams : detection



# The use of inverse kinematics

## Direct kinematics

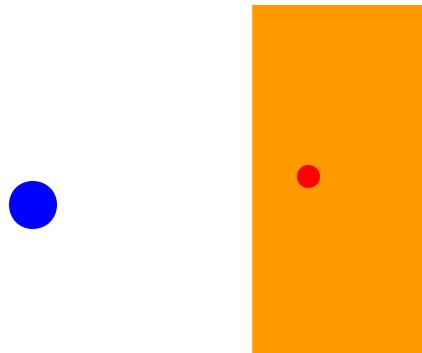
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- light jectiles can be detected
- target residue can only be idenfied using radiative processes

## Inverse kinematics

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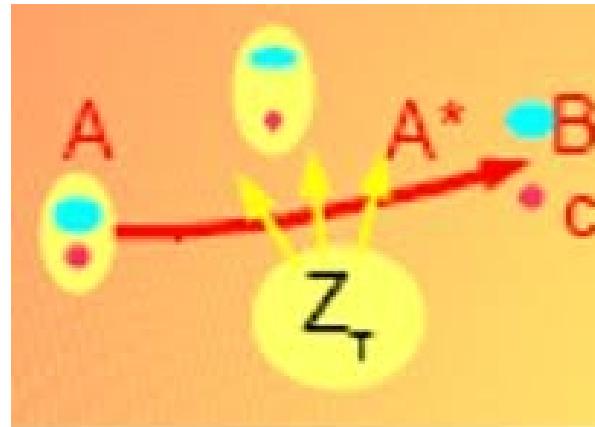
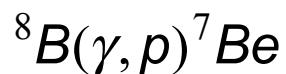


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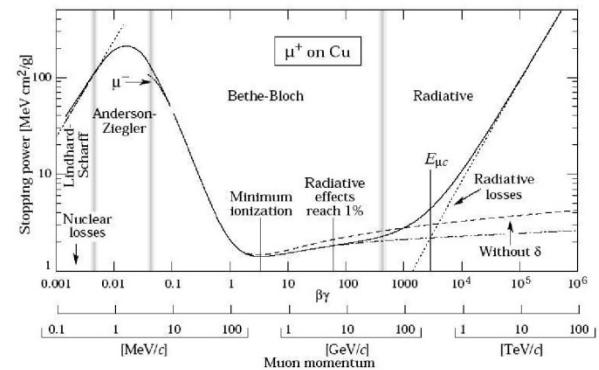
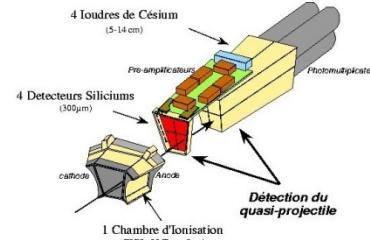
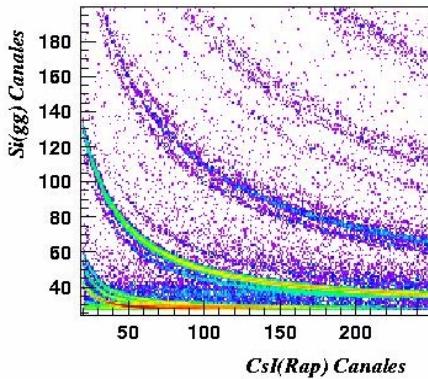
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## Advantages

- ✓ Reactions induced by exotic projectiles
- ✓ Improved charge identification of reaction ejectiles

$$\frac{dE}{dx} = f(Z^2, A, \beta\gamma)$$

$$R \propto \frac{\sqrt{A \cdot E}}{Z^{2/3}}$$



The energy deposition of ions with  $Z > 40$  and  $E < 1$  A MeV is below the Bragg peak.

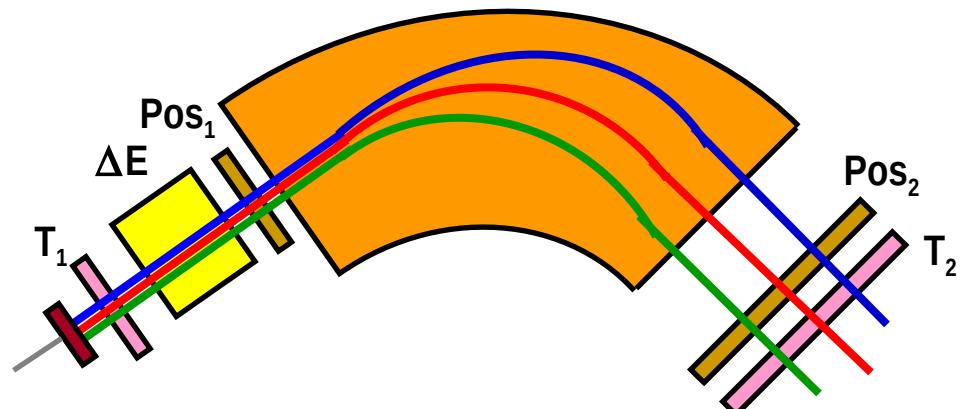
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## Advantages

- ✓ Reactions induced by exotic projectiles
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- ✓ Heavy ejectiles fully identified in Z and A

$$B\rho \propto \frac{A}{q} \beta\gamma$$

$\text{Pos}_1, \text{Pos}_2 \rightarrow L_1, L_2, L_3 \rightarrow \rho_1, \rho_2, \rho_3$   
 $T_1, T_2 \rightarrow L_1, L_2, L_3 \rightarrow \beta\gamma_1, \beta\gamma_2, \beta\gamma_3$   
 $\Delta E_1, \Delta E_2, \Delta E_3 (q=Z) \rightarrow Z_1, Z_2, Z_3$



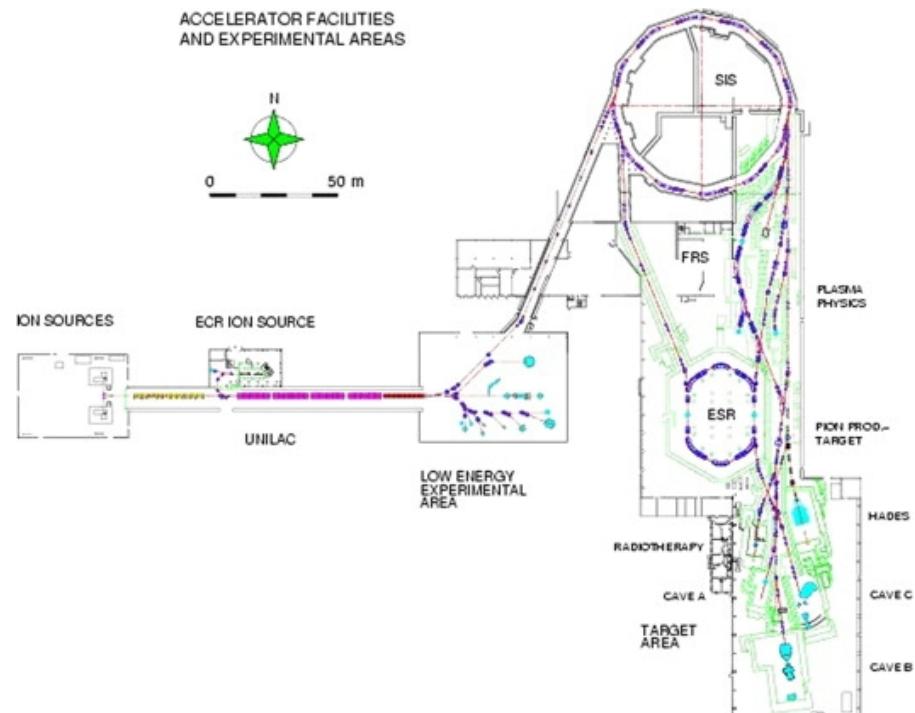
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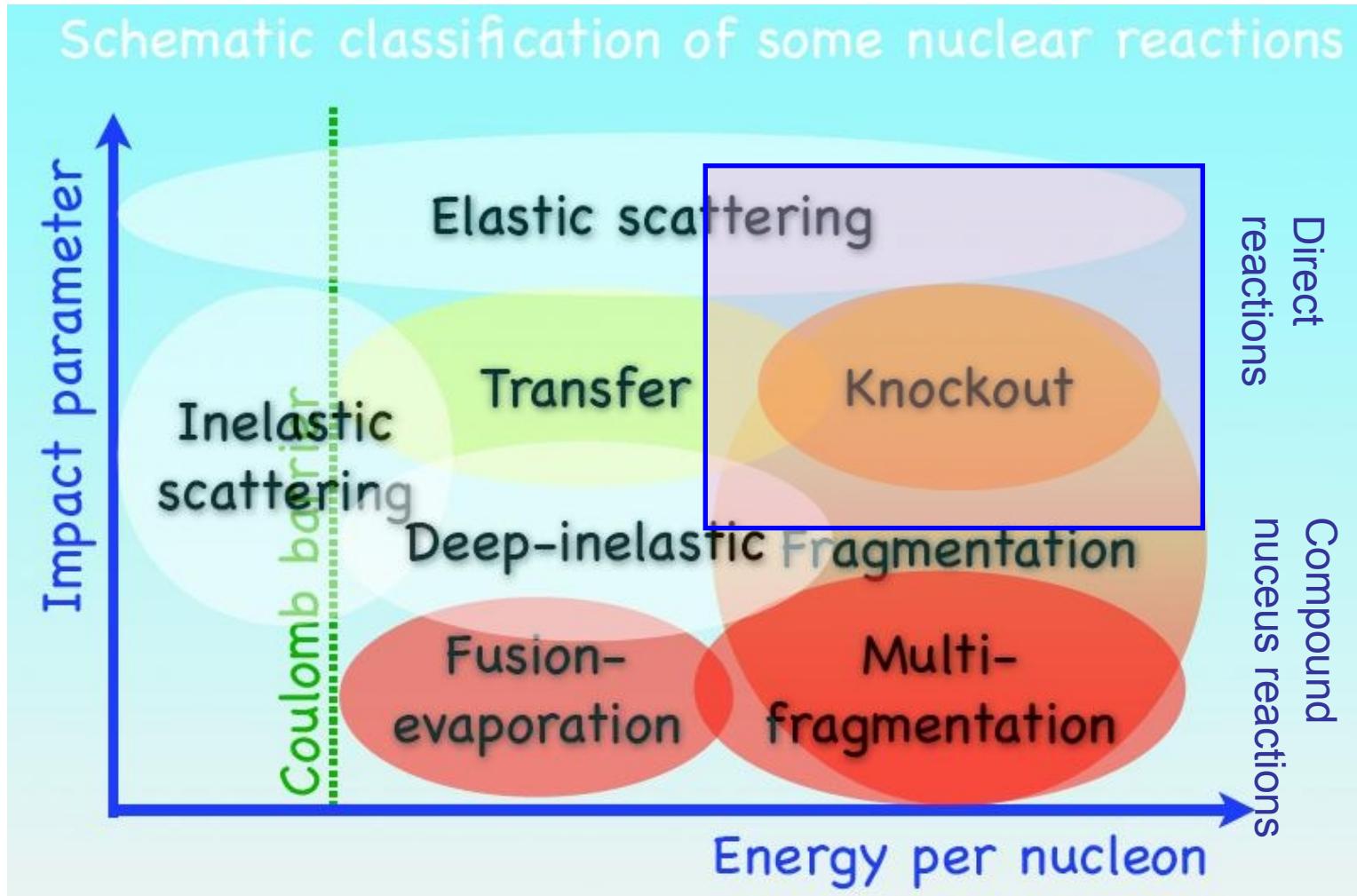
- ✓ Complex heavy-ion accelerators with limited beam intensities

Present acceleration technologies:

- proton accelerators  $\sim 10^{16}$  p/s
- heavy-ion accelerators  $\sim 10^{12}$  ions/s



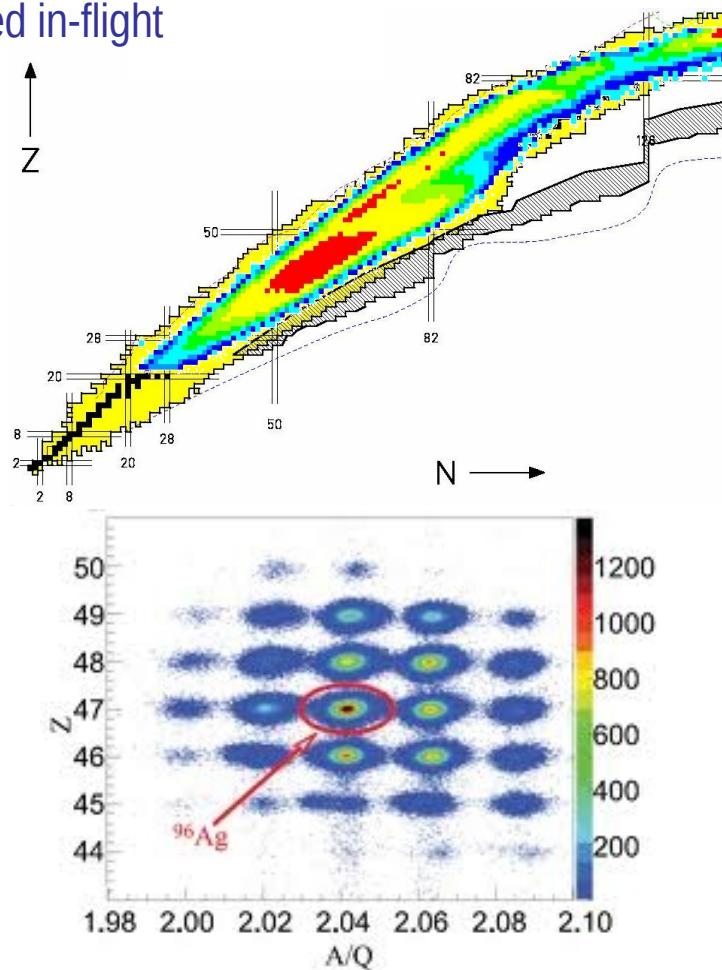
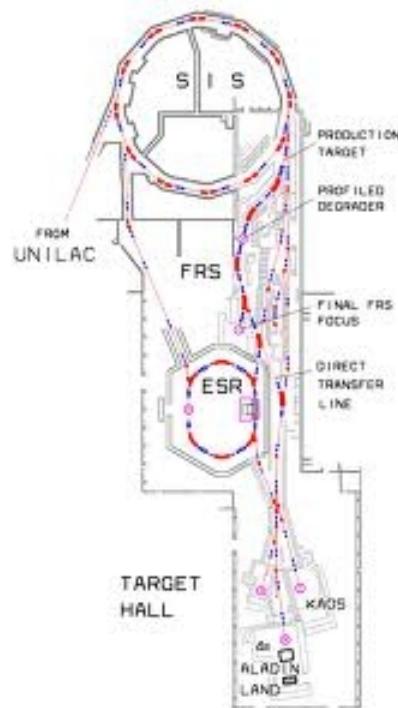
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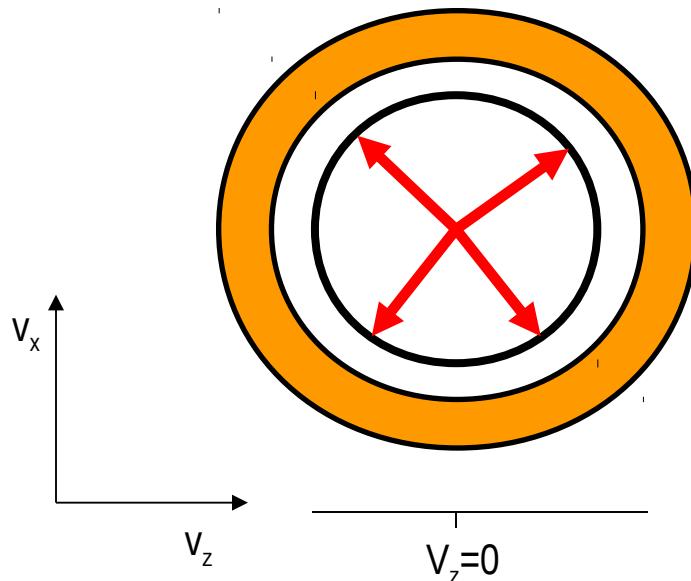


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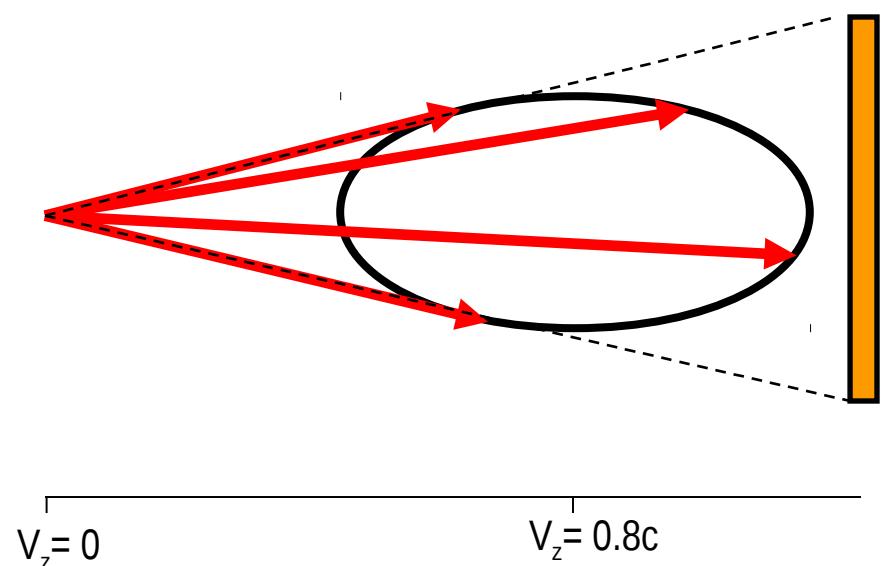
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Direct kinematics



Inverse kinematics



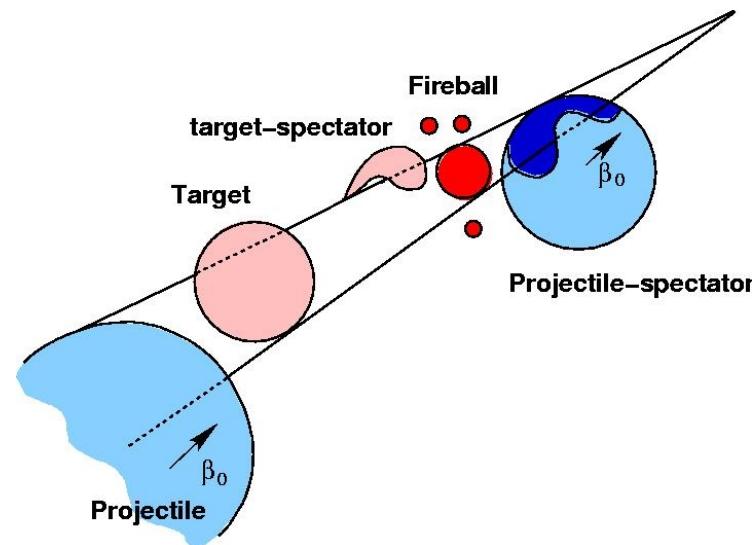
# The use of relativistic energies

## Advantages

- ✓ Exotic nuclei can be produced in-flight
- ✓ Detectors with smaller angular acceptance
- ✓ Thicker targets
- ✓ Simpler description of the reaction mechanism

Glauber picture:

- adiabatic approximation
- eikonal approximation (out-going plane wave): direct reactions
- participant-spectator picture: compound nucleus reactions

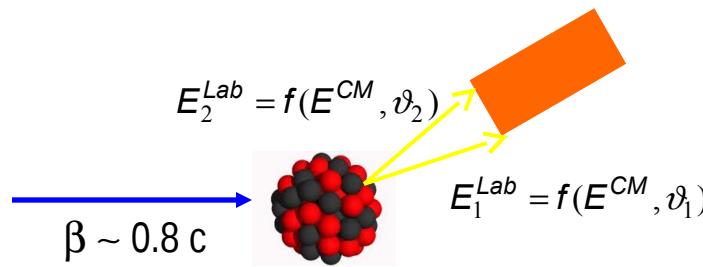
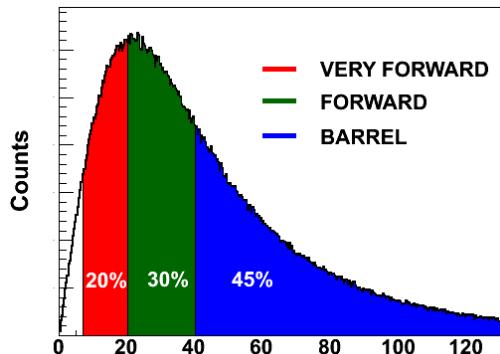


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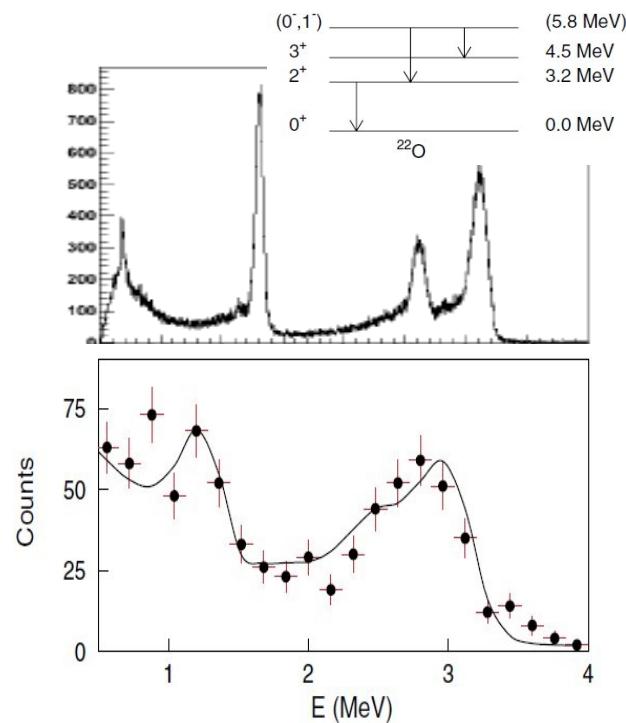
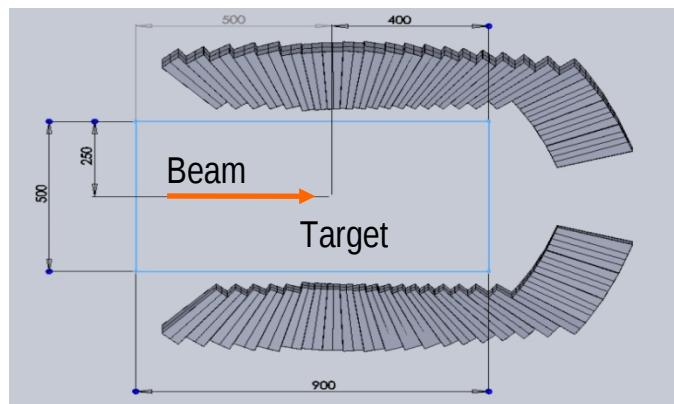
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$$DF = \frac{E^{Lab}}{E^{CM}} = \frac{1}{\gamma(1 - \beta \cos \vartheta)}$$



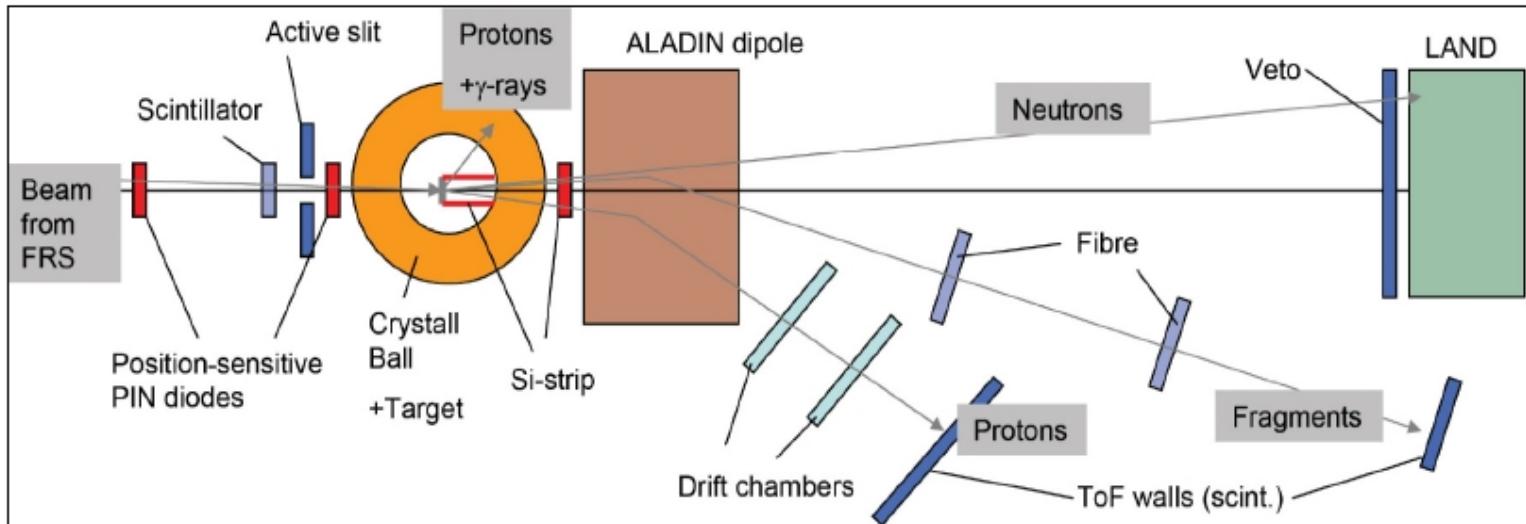
$$\frac{\Delta E^{Lab}}{E^{Lab}} = \frac{\beta \sin}{1 - \beta \cos \vartheta} \Delta \vartheta$$



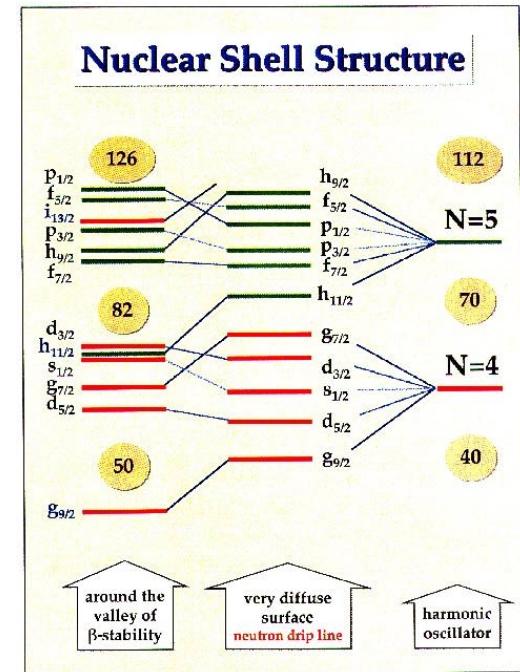
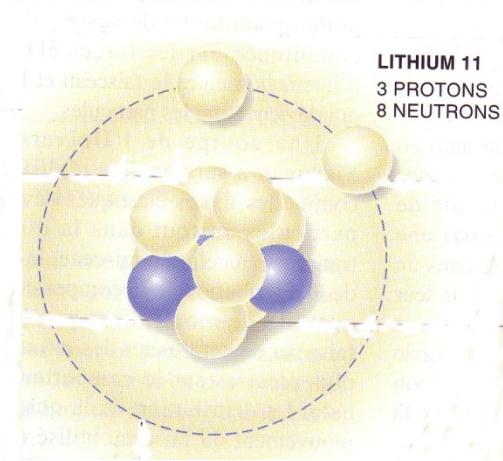
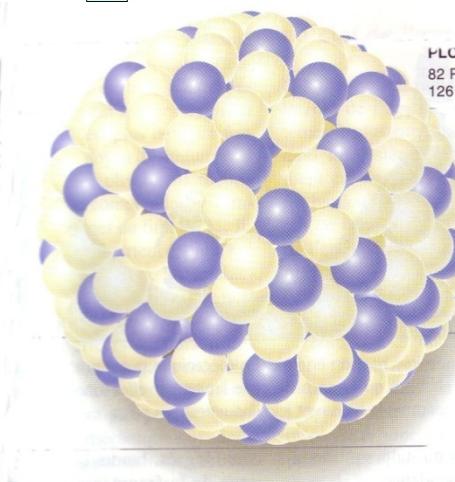
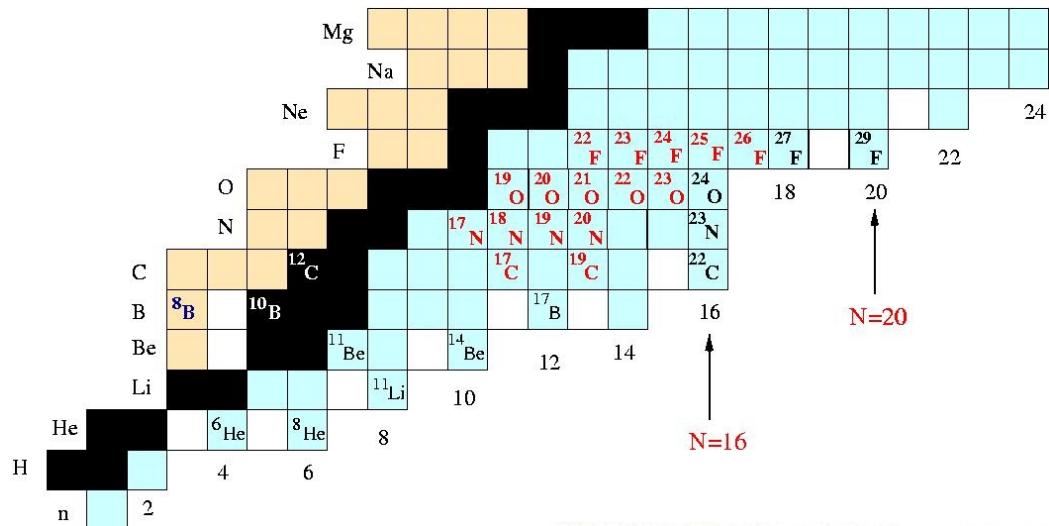
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- ✓ Gamma rays are Lorentz boosted
- ✓ Light ejectiles require complex detectors



# Exotic phenomena

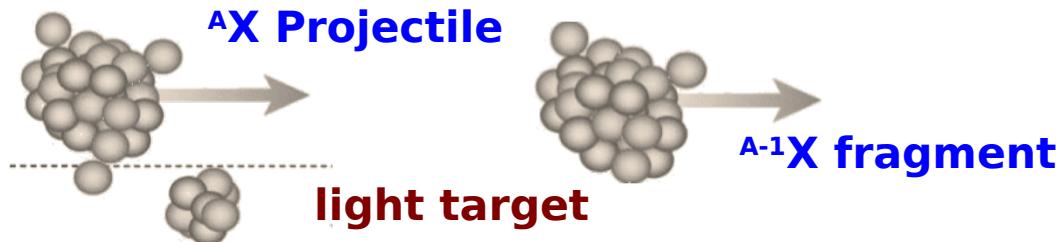


- Núcleos muy poco ligados → extensión espacial
- Presentan topologías y efectos estructurales exóticos
- Accesibles experimentalmente

# Nuclear structure investigations

## Knock-out reactions

This is a “quasi-free” scattering on the valence nucleons leading to a bound residual nucleus ( $A-1$ ) not necessarily on its ground state



The accurate measurement of the longitudinal momentum of the residual nucleus in inverse kinematics, and the possible gamma rays emitted during the knock-out characterize the ground state of the projectile nucleus.

$$| P \rangle = \sum C^2 S ( | C \rangle \otimes | n \rangle )$$

Ground state of  
the exotic projectile

Spectroscopic  
factor

${}^{A-1}_X$  fragment

removed neutron

Cross-sections

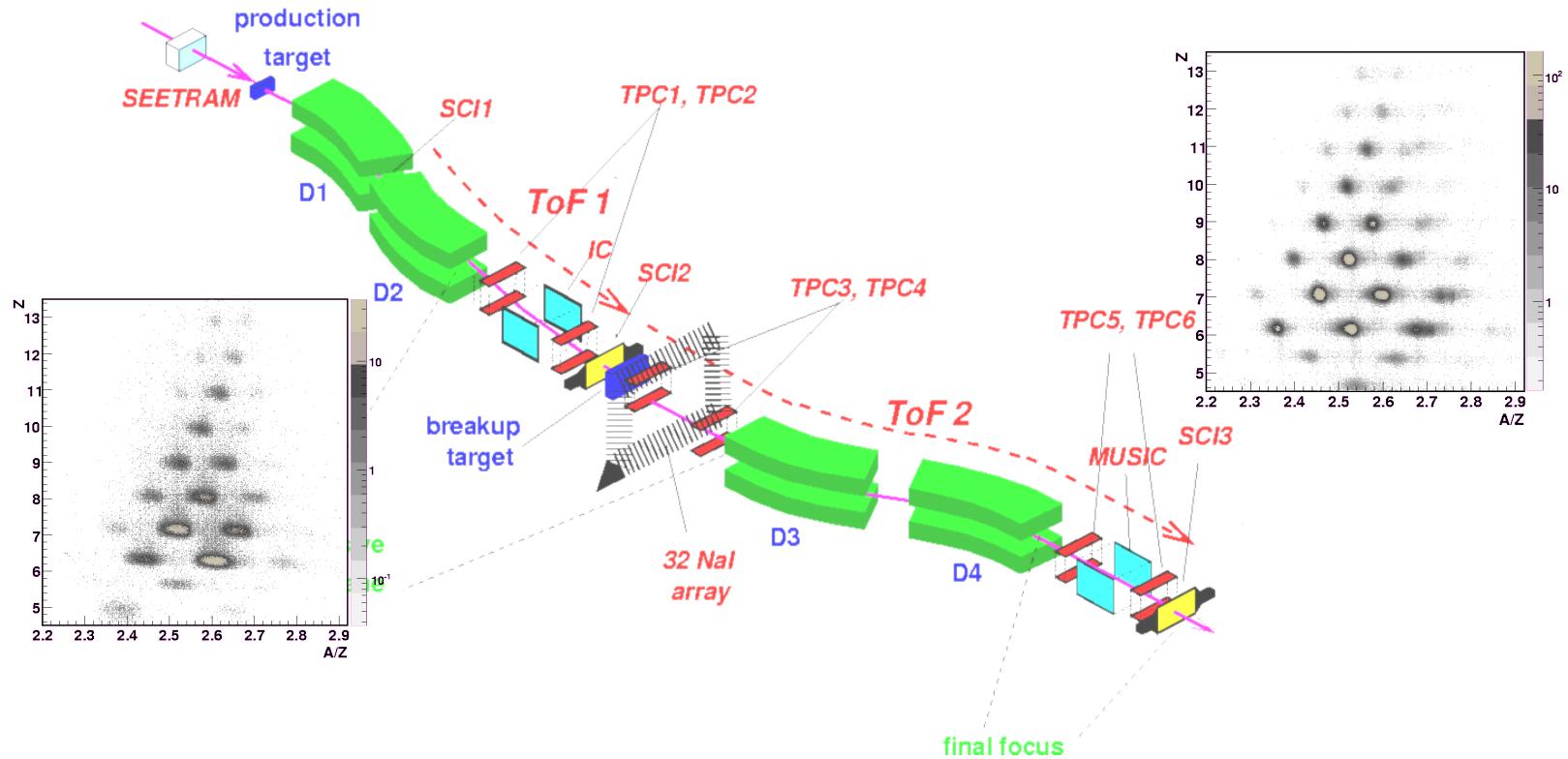
Gamma ray  
tagging

${}^{A-1}_X$  fragment momentum  
distribution

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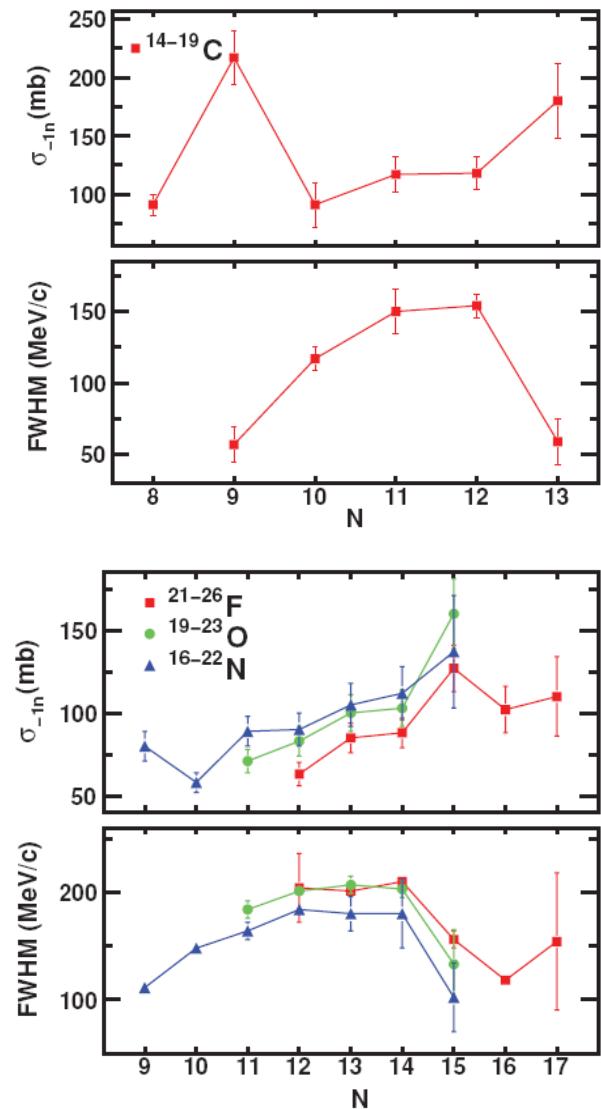
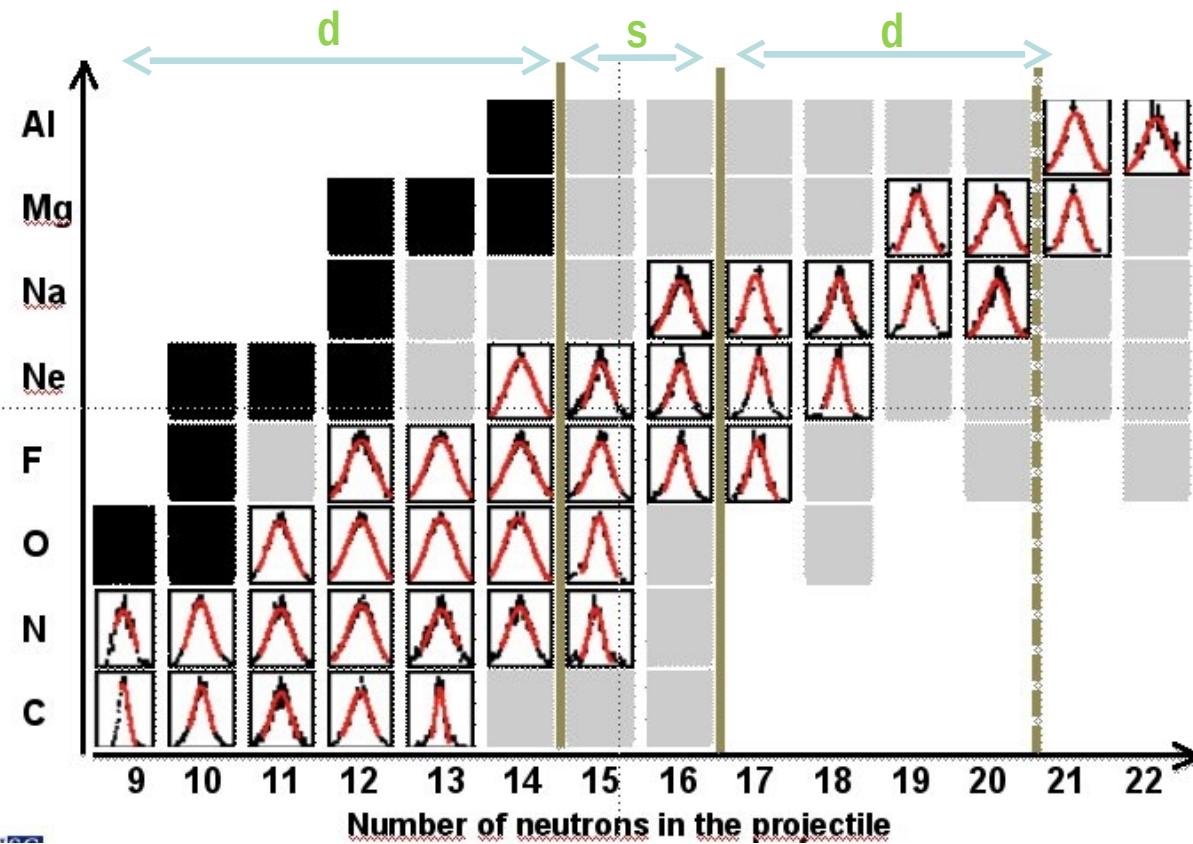
The accuracy in the measurement of the longitudinal momentum of the recoiling projectile residue requires the use of a high-resolving power magnetic spectrometer such as the FRS at GSI.



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1-n knock-out cross section and the width of the momentum distributions reveal halo structures and shell evolution.

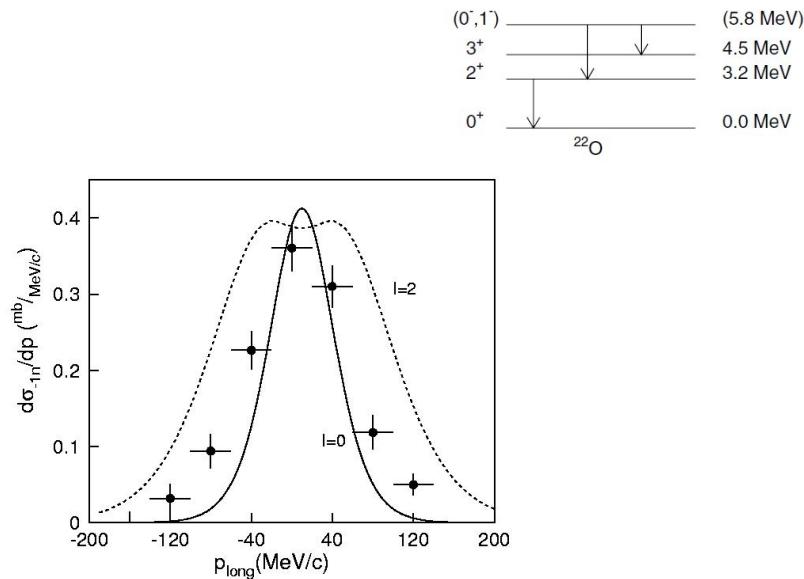
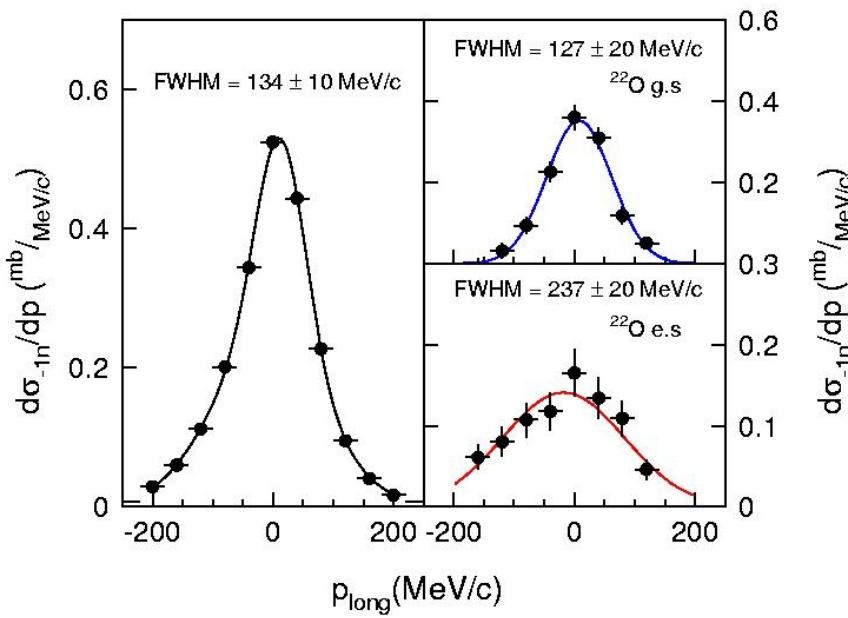


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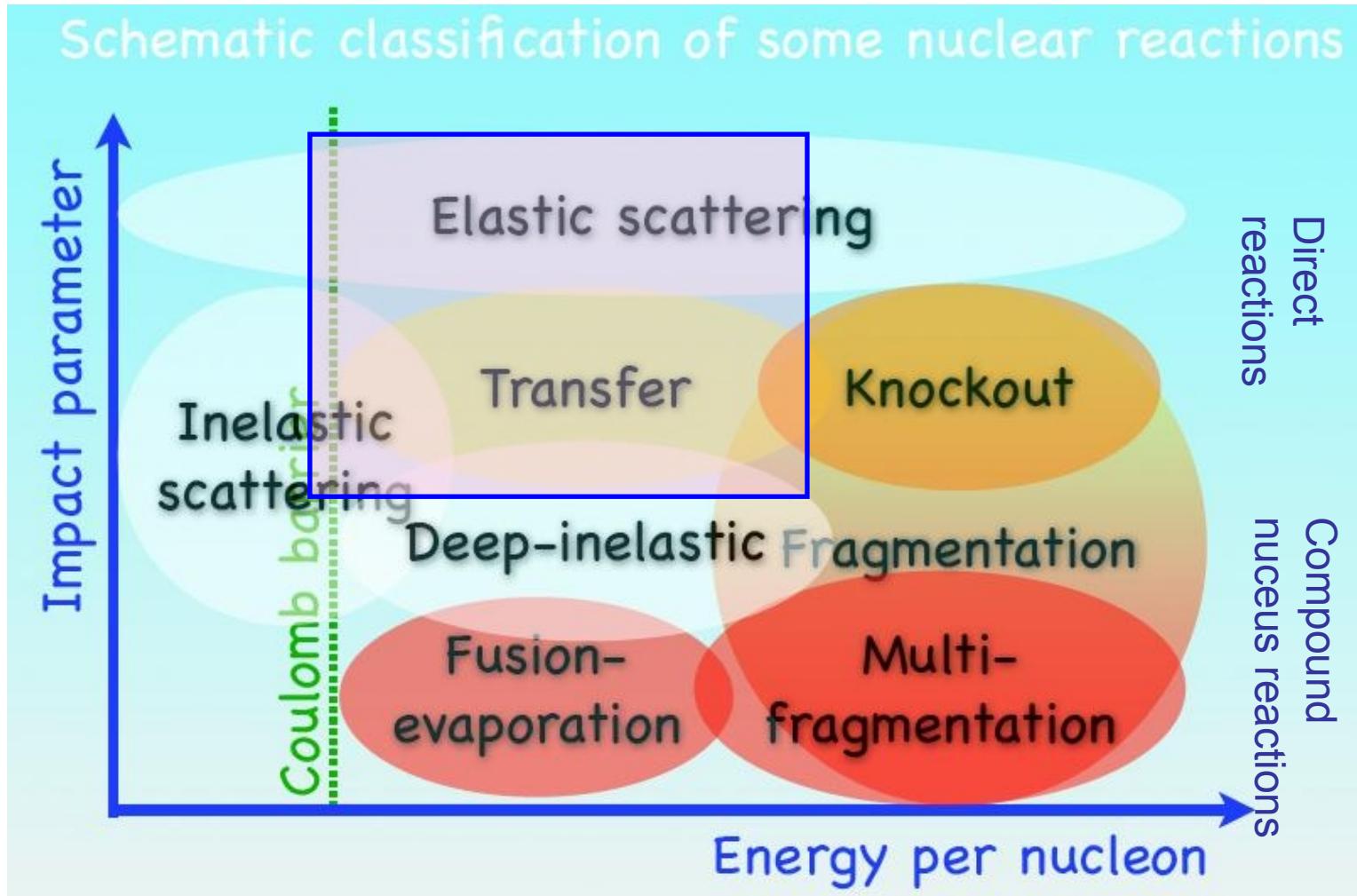
Knock-out with gamma tagging allow for detailed spectroscopic studies.

The case of  $^{23}\text{O} \rightarrow ^{22}\text{O} + \text{n}$



$$|\frac{1}{2}^+> = a|0^+ \otimes 2s_{1/2}> + b|2^+ \otimes 1d_{5/2}>$$

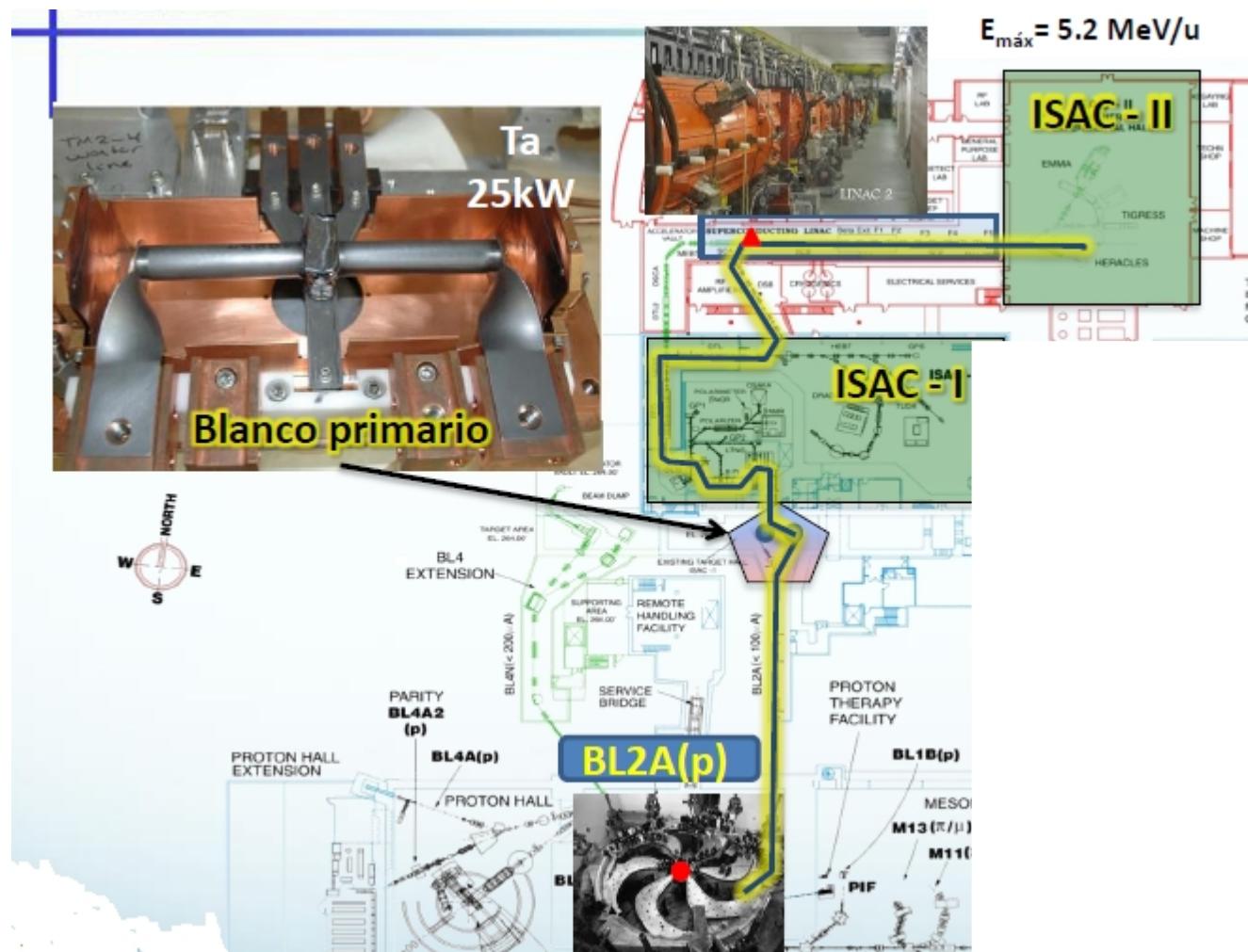
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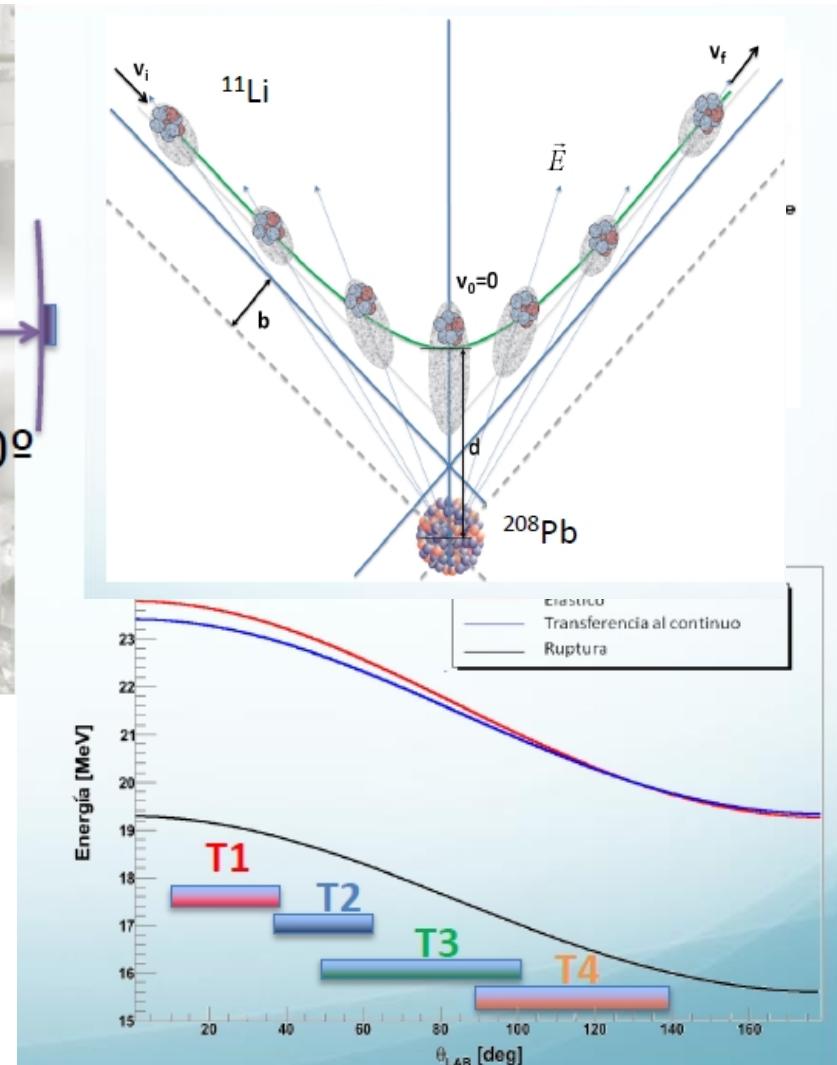
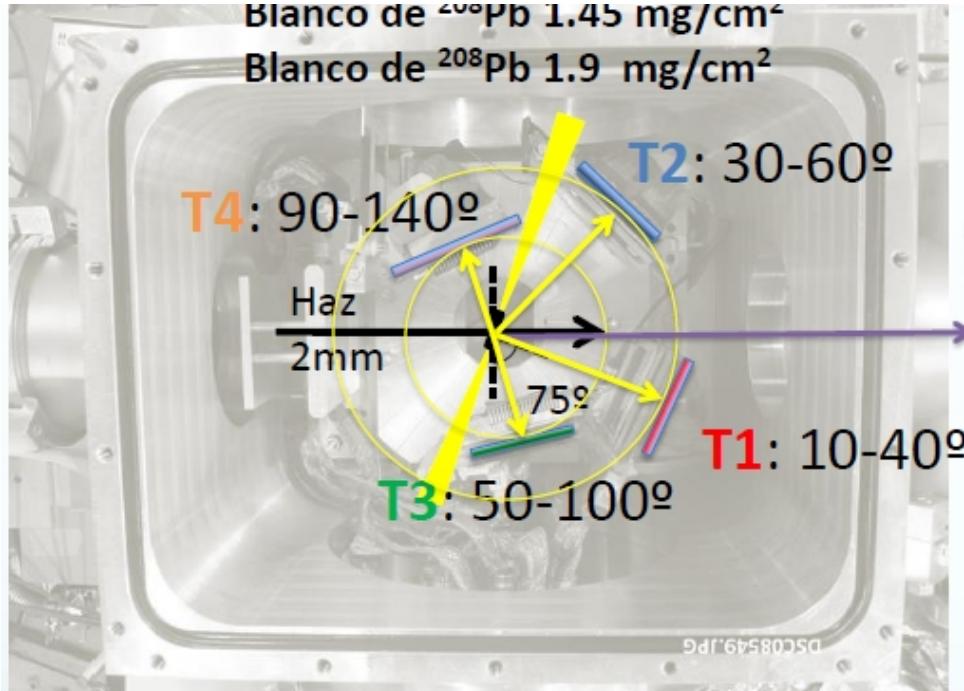
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# The use of low energy beams



- ✓ Elastic scattering of  $^{11}\text{Li}$  on heavy target  $^{11}\text{Li}+^{208}\text{Pb}$  and  $^9\text{Li}+^{208}\text{Pb}$  @ 29.5 MeV.
- ✓ Direct kinematics
- ✓ Detection of light charge particles

# Sección eficaz de una reacción

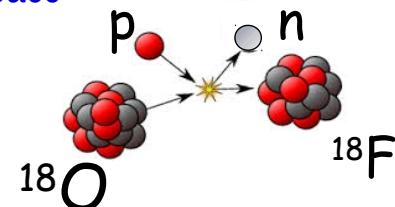
La **sección eficaz** es una medida de la probabilidad de ocurrencia de una determinada reacción nuclear.

Podemos distinguir los siguientes casos:

-**Sección eficaz total:** probabilidad de cualquier reacción entre dos núcleos.

-**Sección eficaz parcial:** probabilidad de una determinada reacción

-**Sección eficaz diferencia:** evolución de la probabilidad de reacción respecto de una variable continua (energía, ángulo, ...)



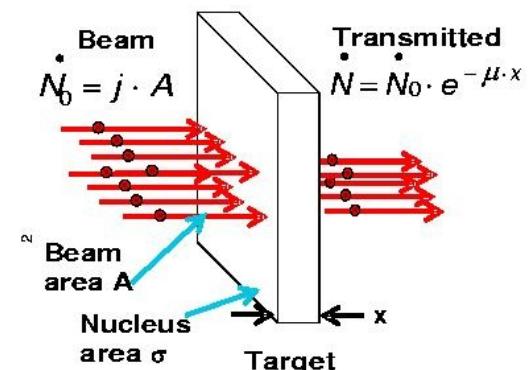
En una irradiación de un material blanco de espesor  $x$  y densidad de centros dispersores  $n$ , con un flujo  $N_0$  de partículas, el número total de reacciones es:

$$N_{reacción} = N_0 - N = N_0 \left(1 - e^{-x\sigma n}\right) \approx N_0 x \sigma n$$

El corto alcance de la fuerza nuclear nos permite calcular a primer orden la sección eficaz total de reacción como:

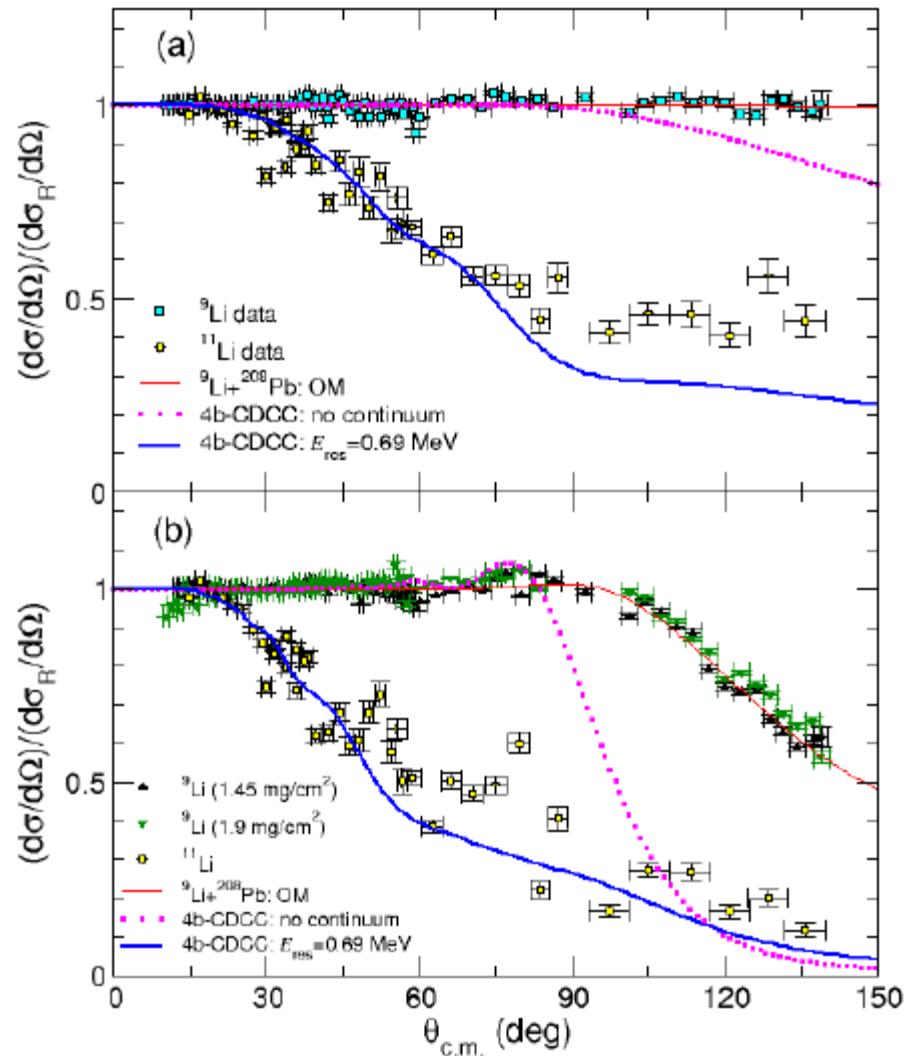
$$\sigma_{total} = \pi (R_p + R_b)^2 = \pi \cdot 1.2^2 (A_p^{1/3} + A_b^{1/3})^2 \text{ fm}^2$$

$$1 \text{ barn} = 10^{-24} \text{ cm}^2 = 100 \text{ fm}^2$$

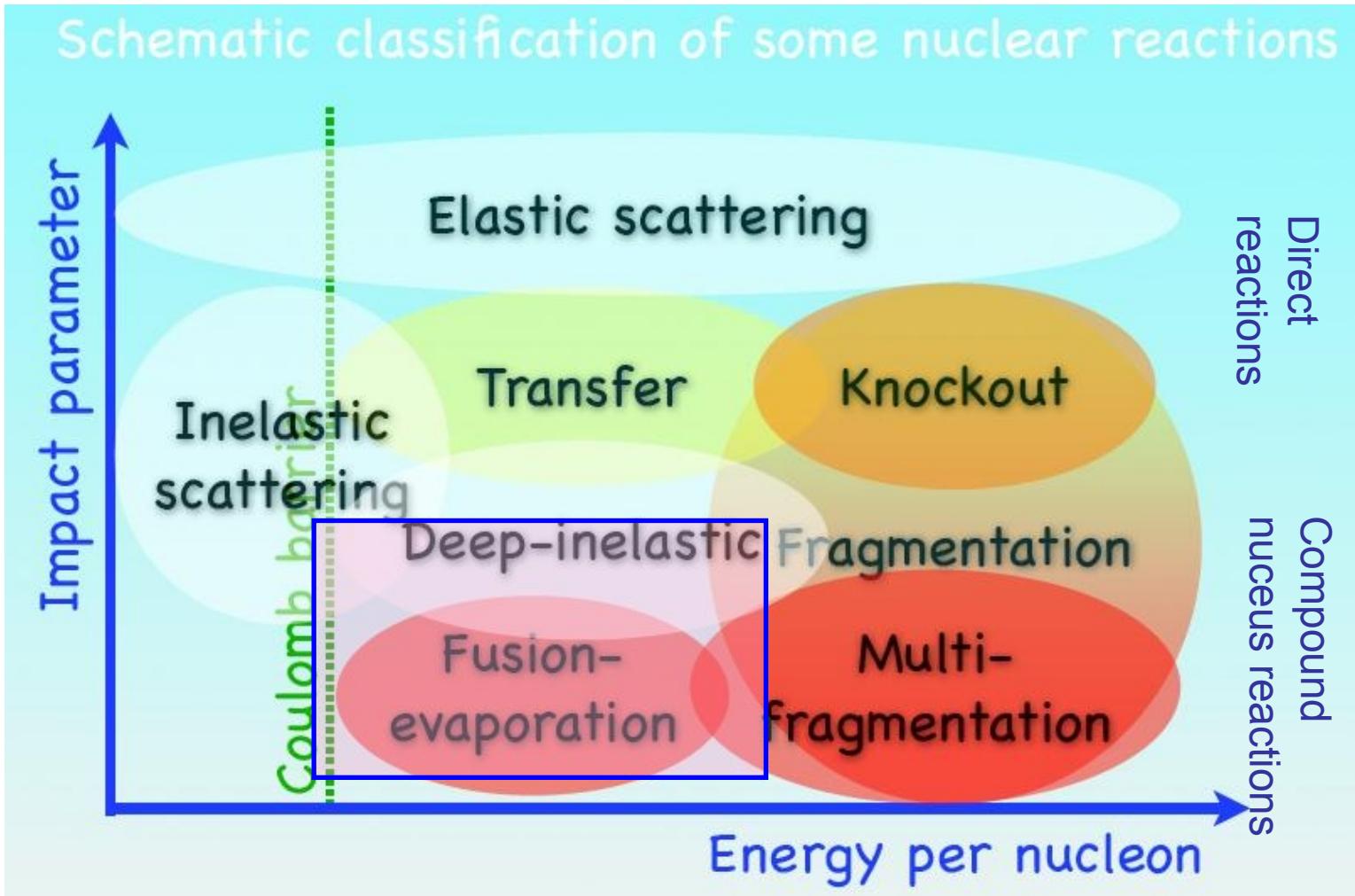


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- ✓ Los datos de  ${}^9\text{Li}+{}^{208}\text{Pb}$  son ajustados usando un modelo óptico donde la parte real se describe con el potencial de doble convolución de São Paulo (SPP) y la parte imaginaria un potencial de Woods-Saxon.
- ✓ Los datos para la dispersión de  ${}^{11}\text{Li}+{}^{208}\text{Pb}$  serán comparados con cálculos CDCC a cuatro cuerpos.
- ✓ Evidencia experimental del halo del  ${}^{11}\text{Li}$  y éxito de la modelización de la reacción nuclear

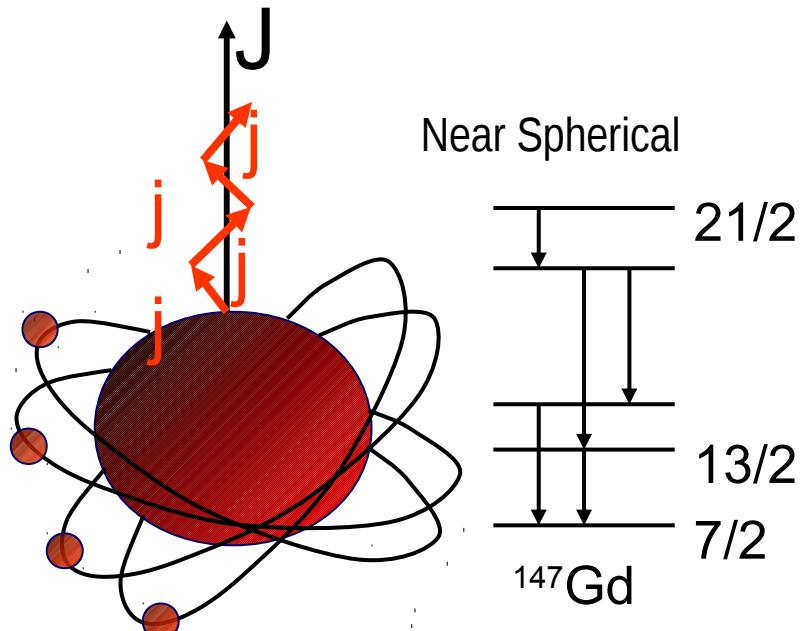


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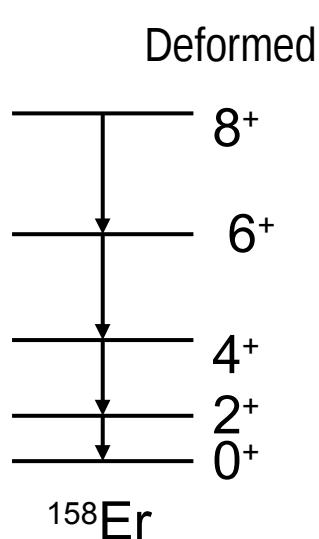


# Single particle versus collectivity

Single-particle behaviour.

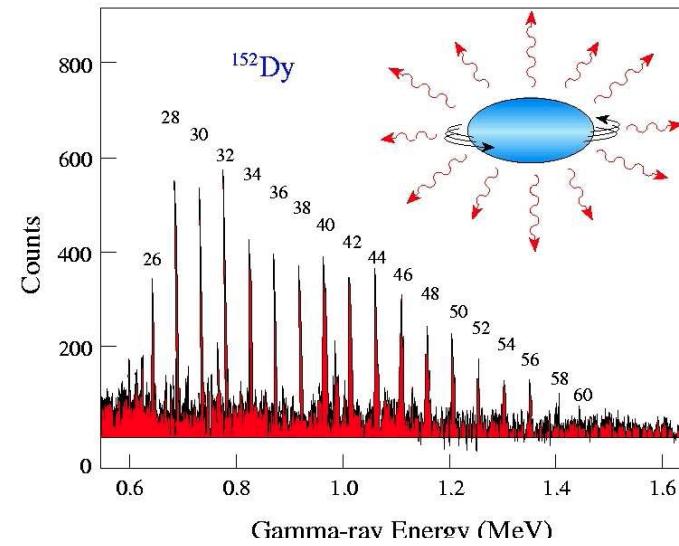
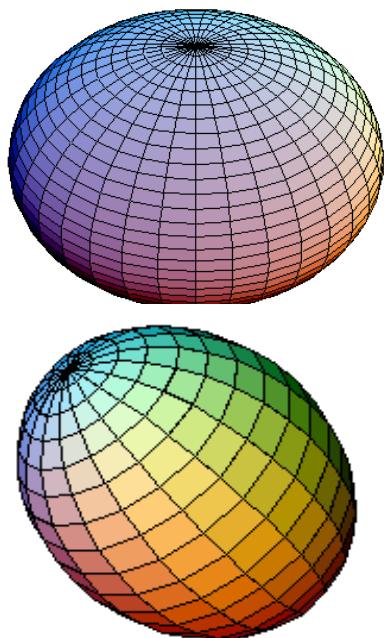
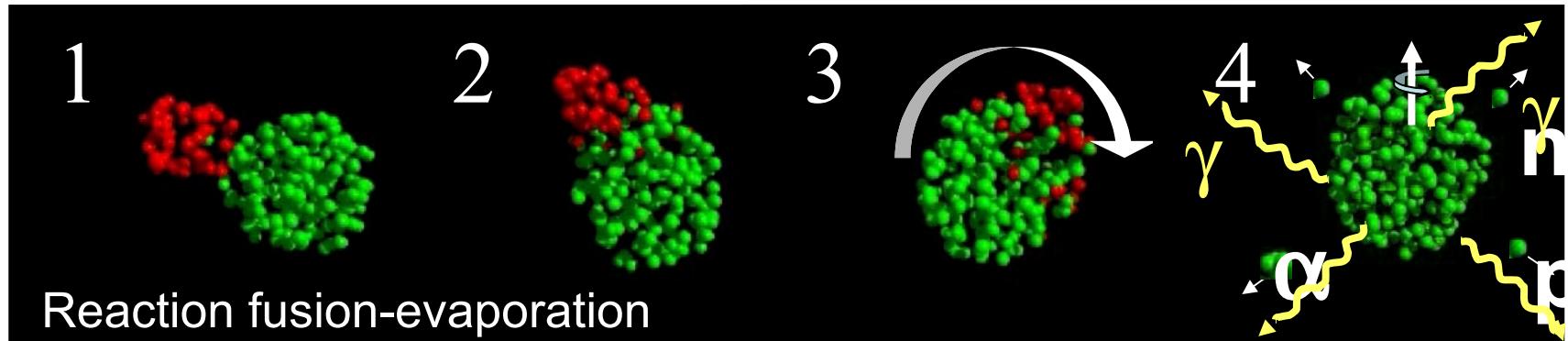


Collective behaviour.



Nuclei are many-body quantal systems consisting on many nucleons, up to 300, resulting on a rich variety of quantum phenomena.

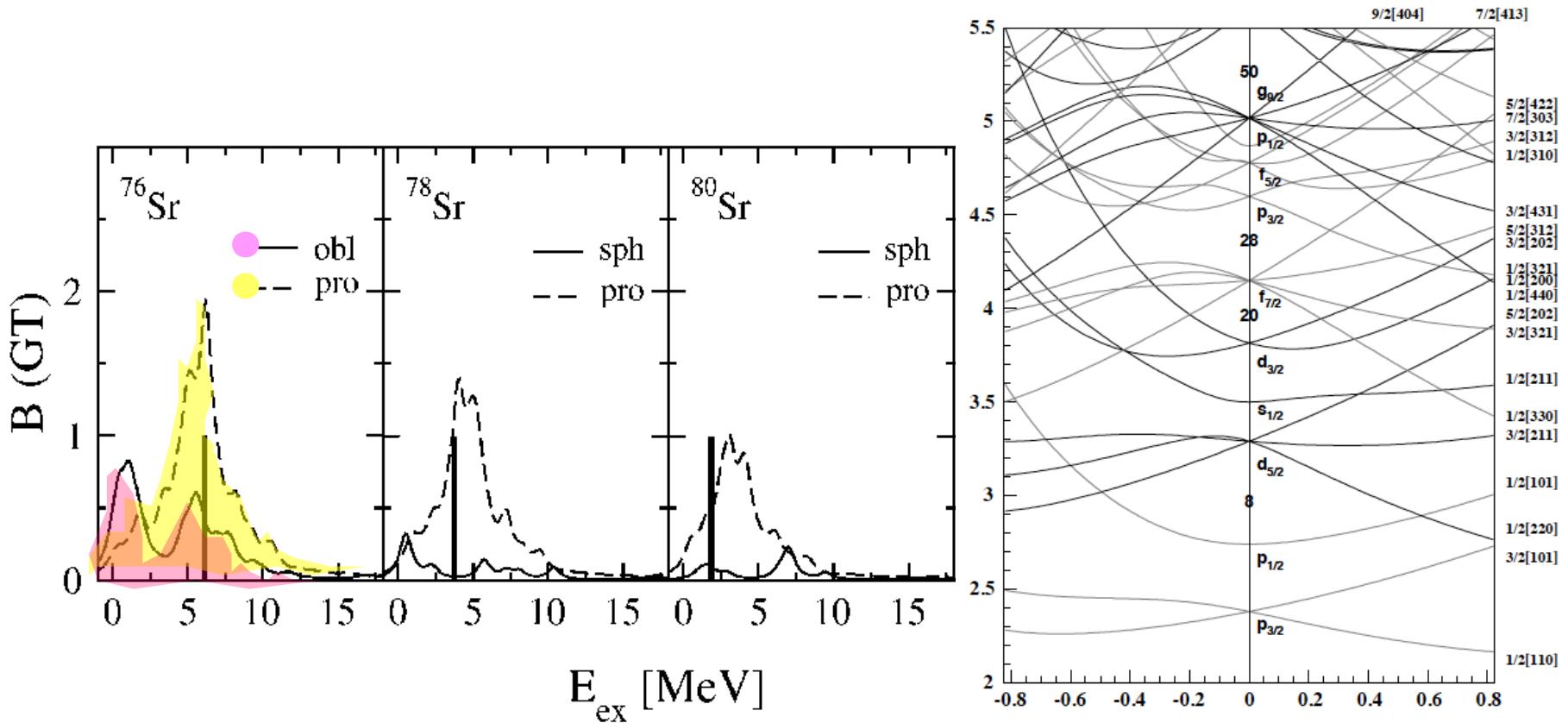
# The shape of the nucleus



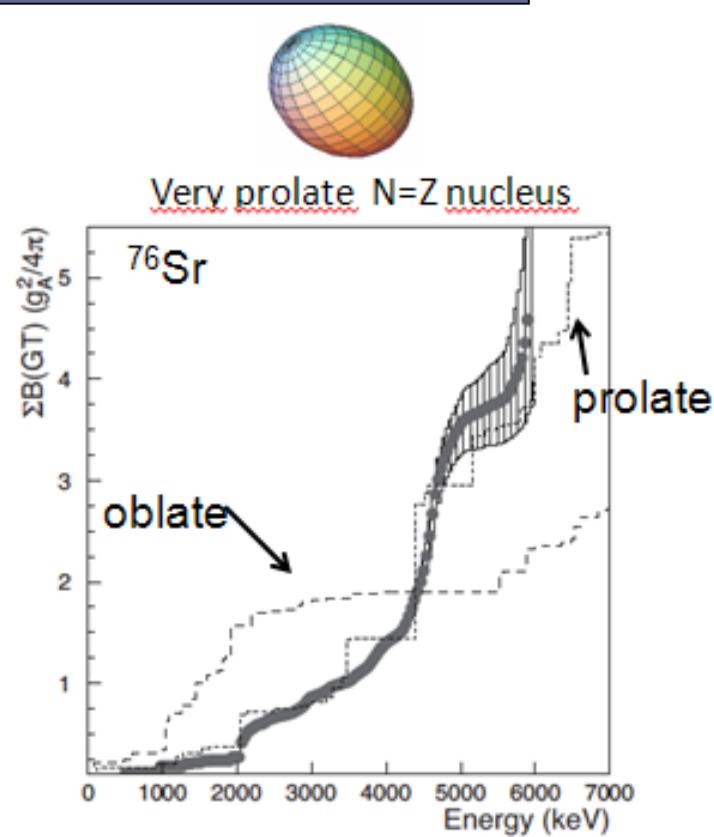
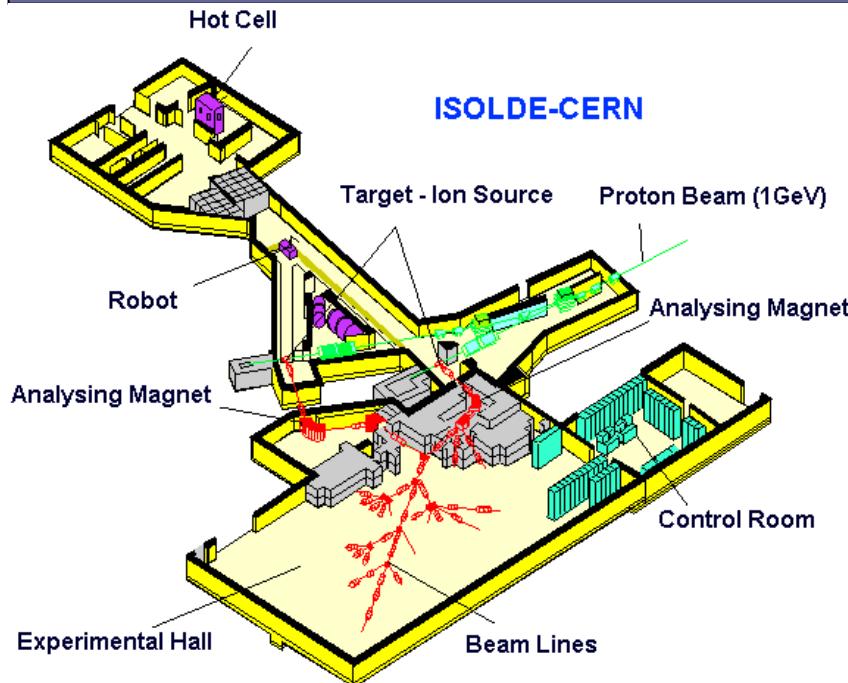
$$|Q| = \sqrt{16\pi B(E2:2_1^+ \rightarrow 0_1^+)} = \frac{3Ze}{\sqrt{5\pi}} R_0^2 (\beta + 0.16\beta^2),$$

# Shapes and dimensions from beta decay

We can also learn about deformation using the dependency of the strength distribution in the daughter nucleus depending on the shape of the parent.



# Shapes and dimensions



Comparación de resultados experimentales de  $B(GT)$  medidos a través de Espectroscopía de Absorción Total con cálculos teóricos