

# New trends in isotopic identification with telescope detectors

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# Needs for isotopic identification

## EoS and isospin transport

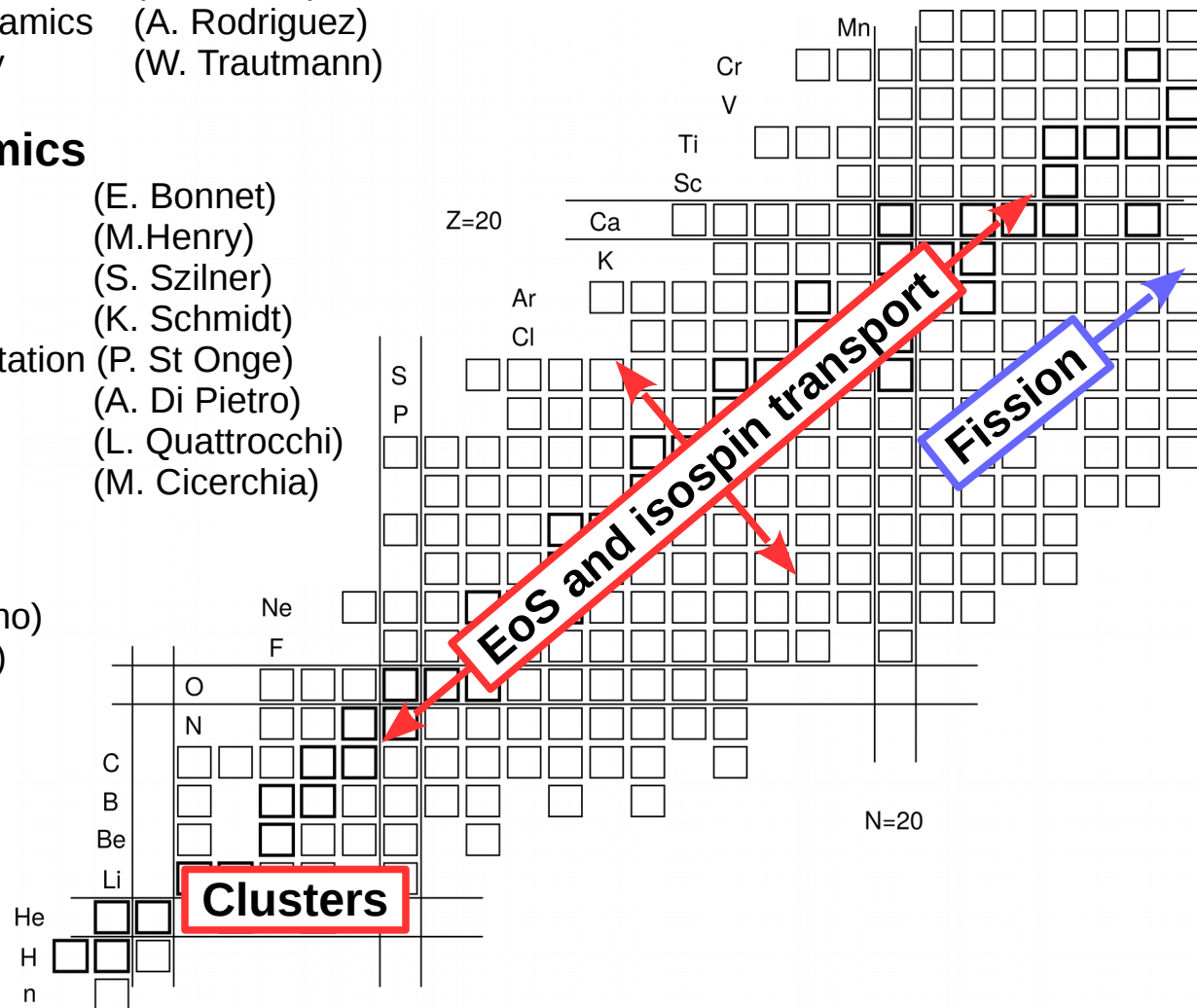
- Isospin effects in nuclear reactions (S.Yennello)
- Recent results from ISOFAZIA experiment (S.Piantelli)
- Study of the N=Z fragment production (A.Camaiani)
- Equilibration dynamics and isospin effects (A.S. Umar)
- Isospin influence on IMF dynamical emission (B. Gnoffo)
- Constraints on the symmetry energy (J. Lukasik)
- Equilibration chronometry and reaction dynamics (A. Rodriguez)
- Dynamical properties and secondary decay (W. Trautmann)

## Clusters in structure and dynamics

- Characterization of the nuclear gas phase (E. Bonnet)
- Transport properties at Fermi energies (M.Henry)
- Probing nucleon-nucleon correlations (S. Szilner)
- Temperature and densities of hot  $^{40}\text{Ca}$ ,  $^{40}\text{Si}$  (K. Schmidt)
- Influence of neutron enrichment on de-excitation (P. St Onge)
- Exotic clustering investigation in  $^{13}\text{B}$ ,  $^{14}\text{C}$  (A. Di Pietro)
- Decay of  $^{12}\text{C}$  excited states (L. Quattrocchi)
- Study of four reactions forming  $^{46}\text{Ti}^*$  (M. Cicerchia)

## Fission

- Fission in inverse kinematics 1 (M. Caamano)
- Fission in inverse kinematics 2 (L. Audouin)



**1**  $\Delta E$ -E identification

**2** Pulse Shape Analysis identification

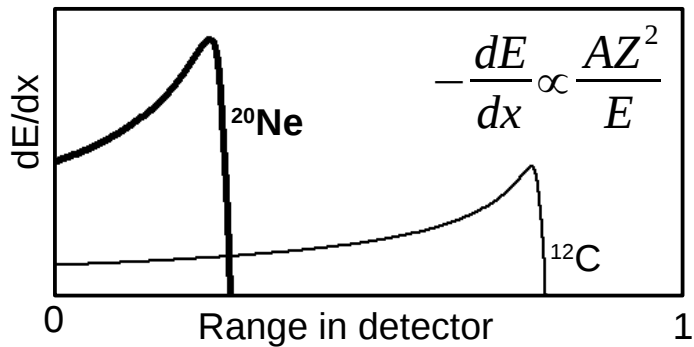
**3** Time of Flight identification

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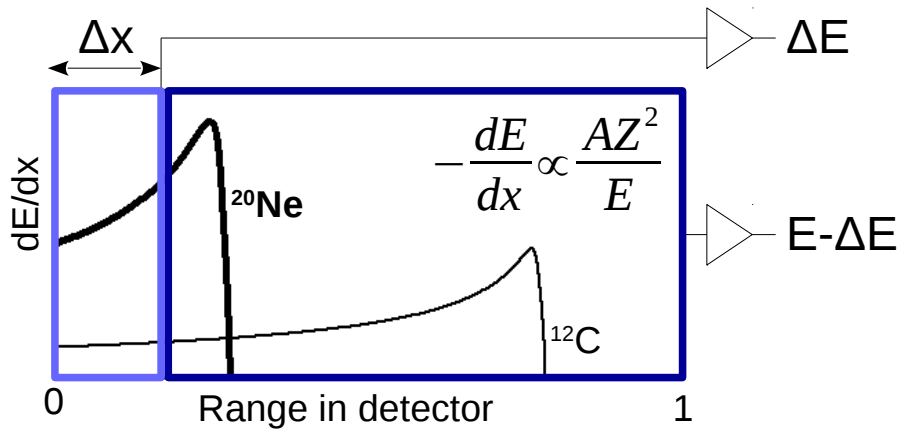
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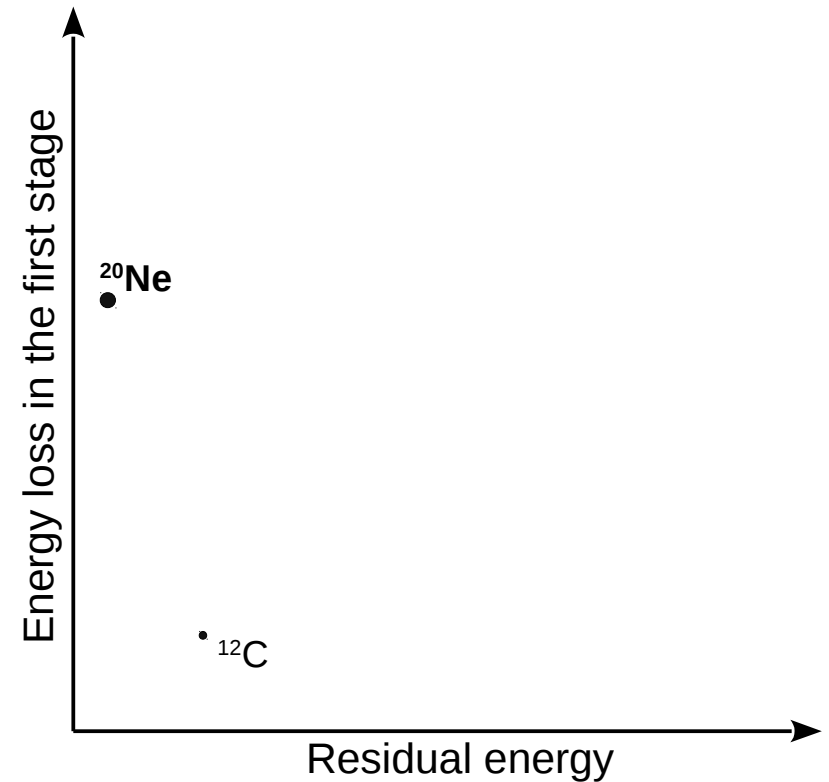
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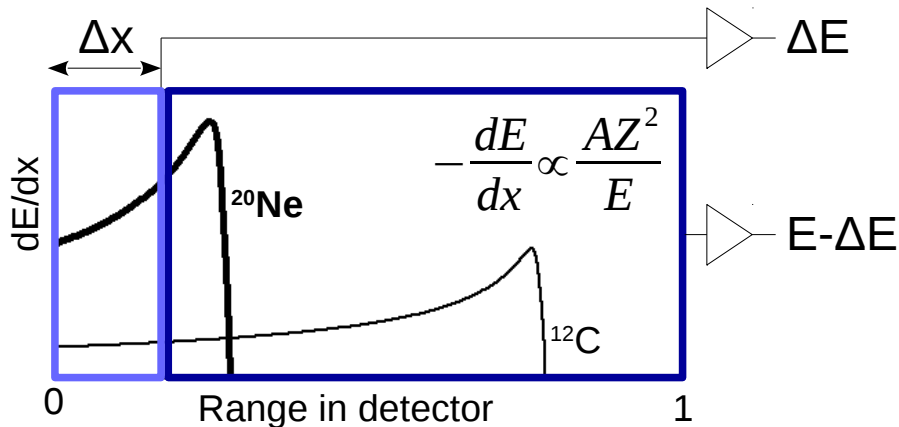
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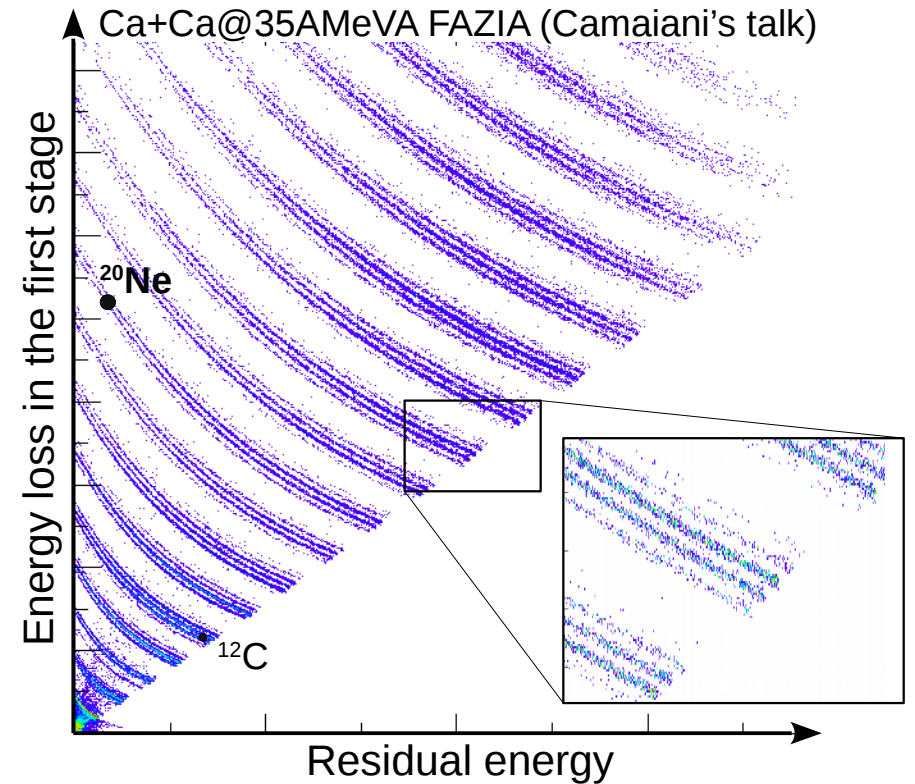
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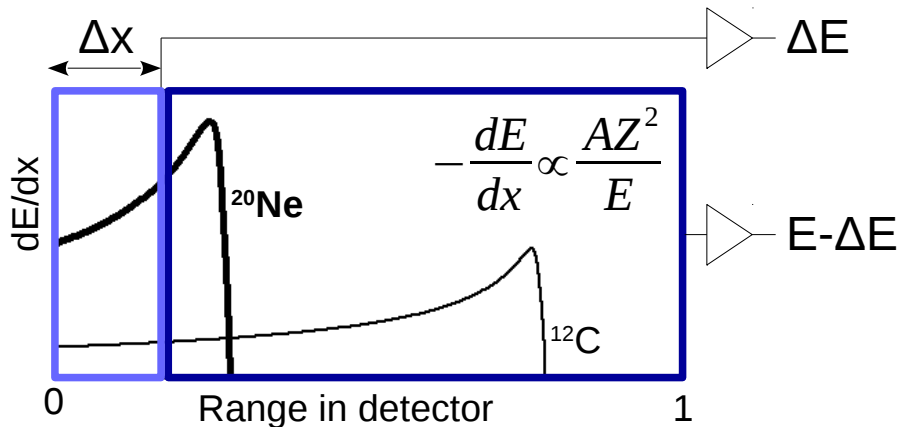
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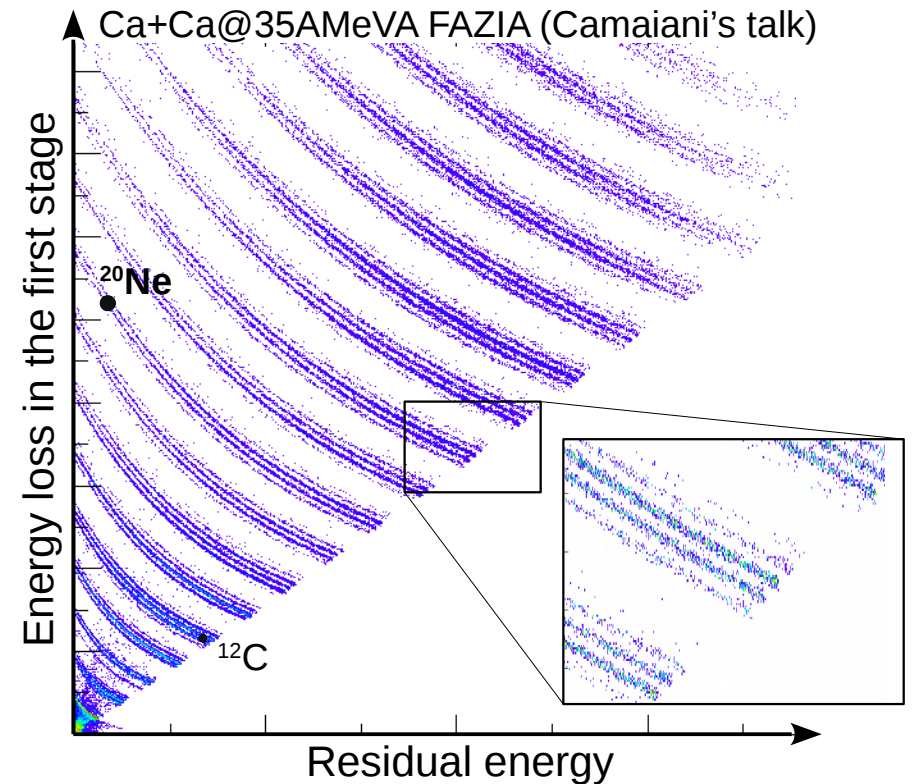


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## Performances

No limit in charge ID (up to  $Z \sim 92$ )  
Energy straggling limits mass ID ( $Z < 25-30$ )  
Limited number of isotopes ( $\sim 7$ ) per element



## Measure $\Delta E$ and E

Electronics and signal processing  
Channeling effects in  $\Delta E$  detector

## Keep $\Delta x$ under control

Detector thickness homogeneity

# $\Delta E$ -E telescopes

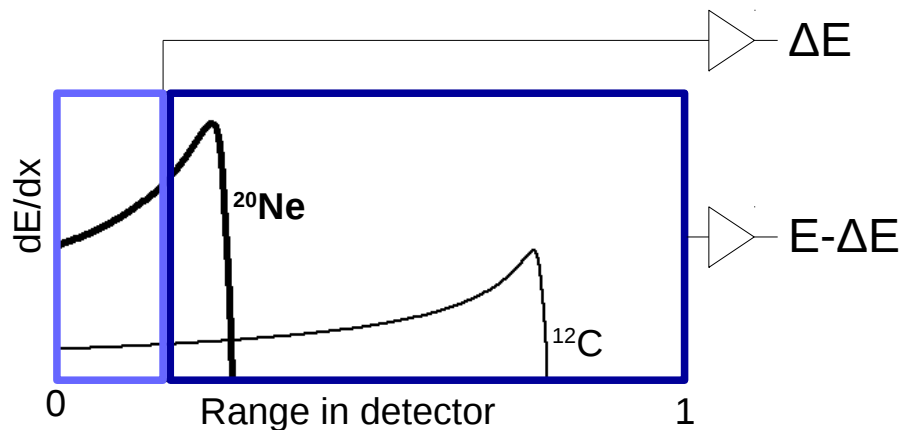
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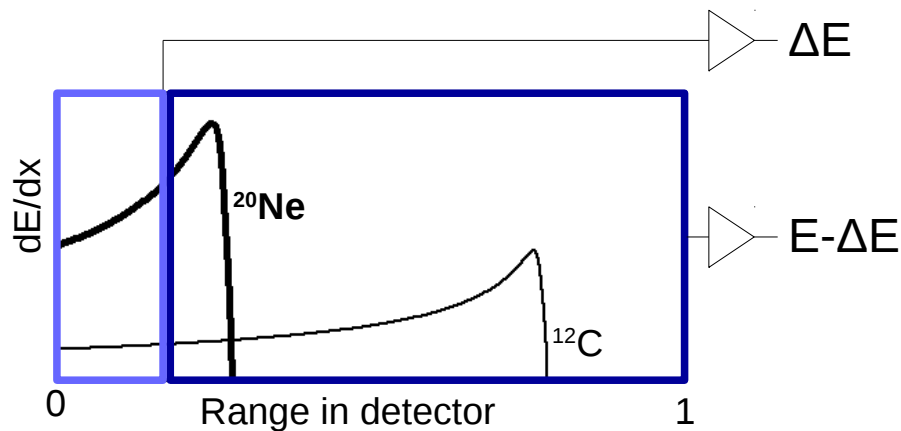
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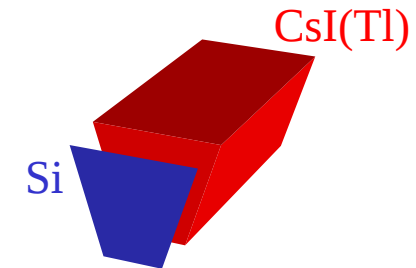
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- FAZIA : Si-Si-CsI
- NIMROD : Si-Si-CsI



## Silicon strip telescopes

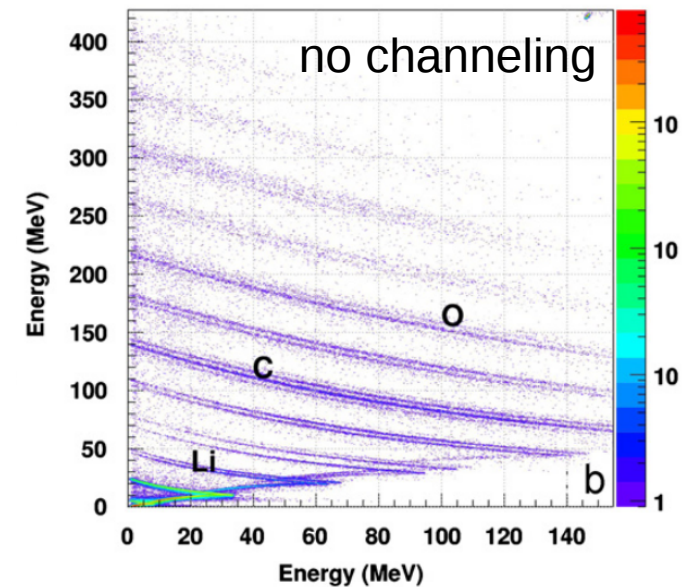
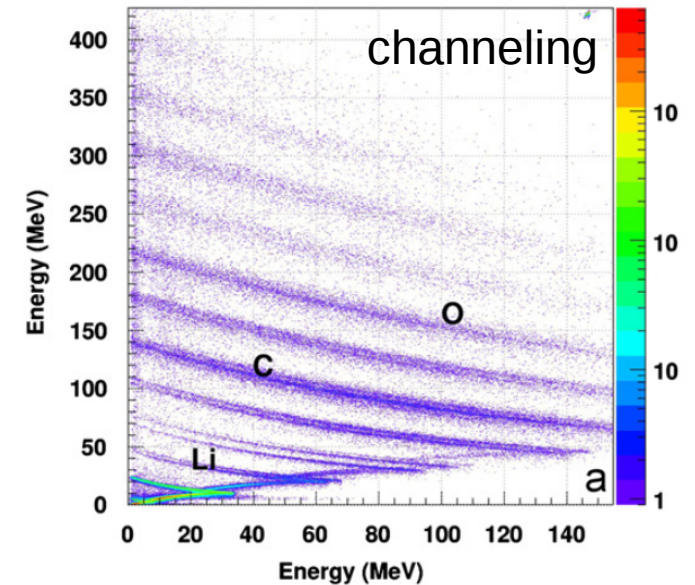
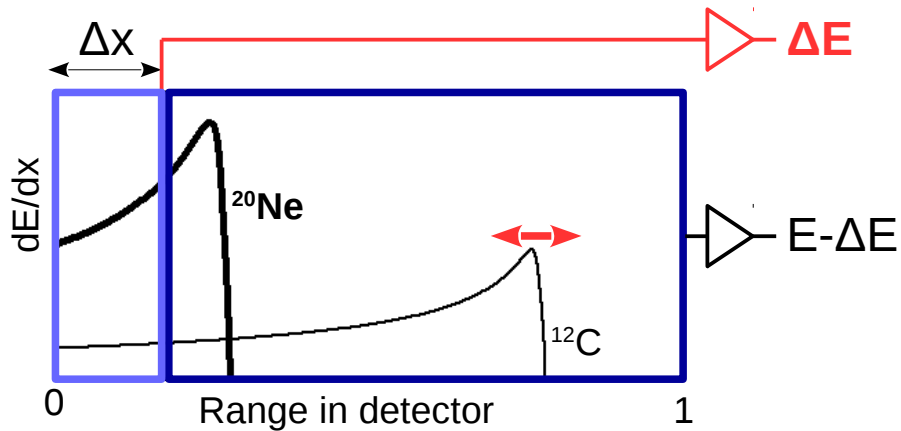
- HiRA : Si-Si-CsI
- OSCAR : Si-Si
- GASPAR : Si-Si-Si
- FARCOS : Si-Si-CsI

## Less simple telescopes

- KRATTA : Si-Si-CsI-CsI-Si

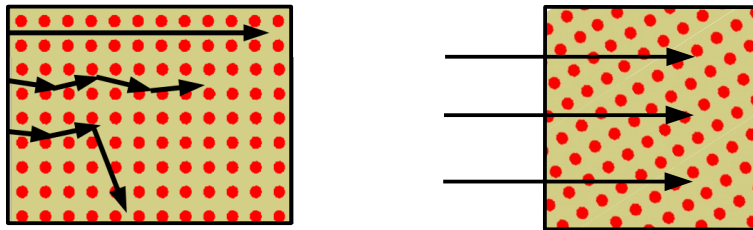


# Cristal orientation and channeling



## Channeling in silicon

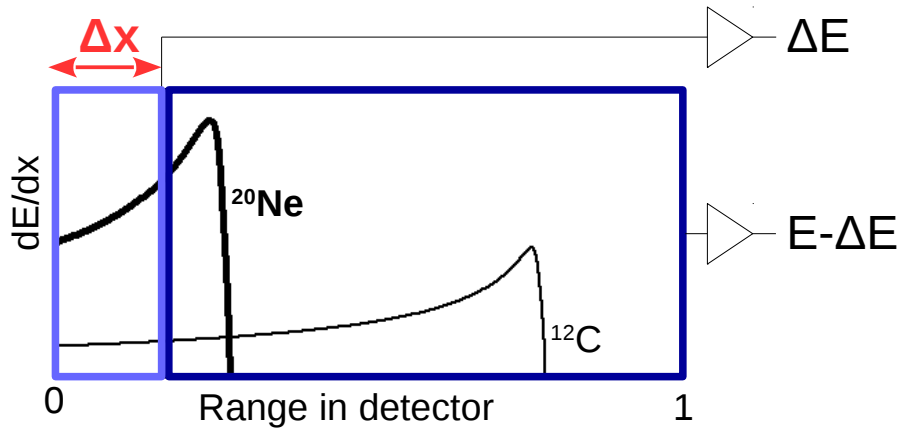
Observed particles goes parallel to the principal axis  
 Induce a fluctuation on the particle range  
 Increases the energy straggling in the  $\Delta E$  silicon



## Solution

Cutting the cristal at  $\sim 7^\circ$  with respect to the principal axis allows to recover the isotopic resolution

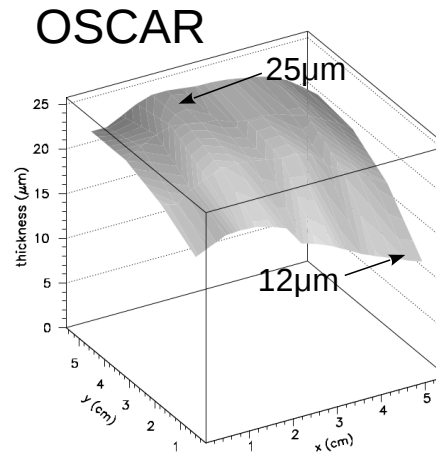
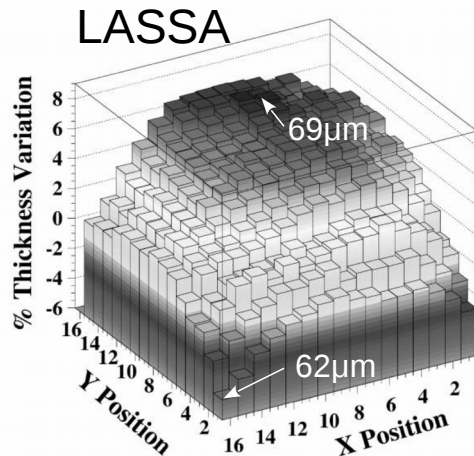
# $\Delta E$ detector thickness



## Thickness homogeneity

Detector thickness uniformity of few  $\mu\text{m}$

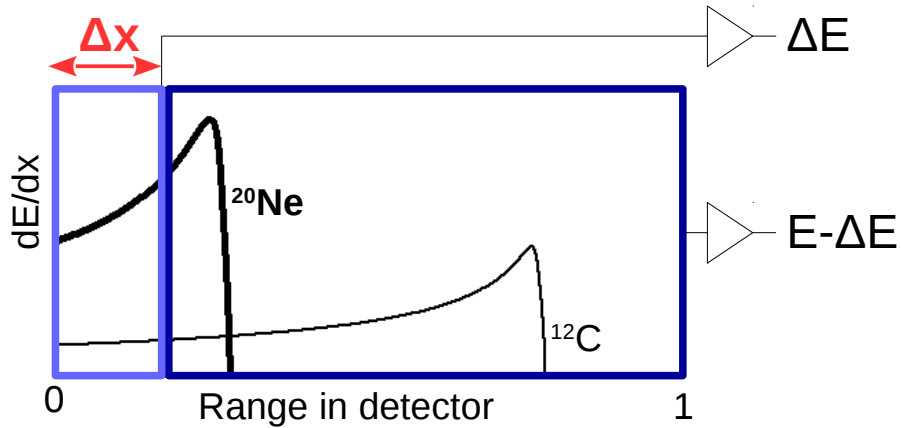
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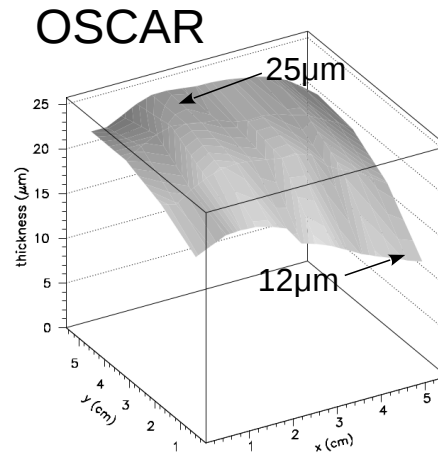
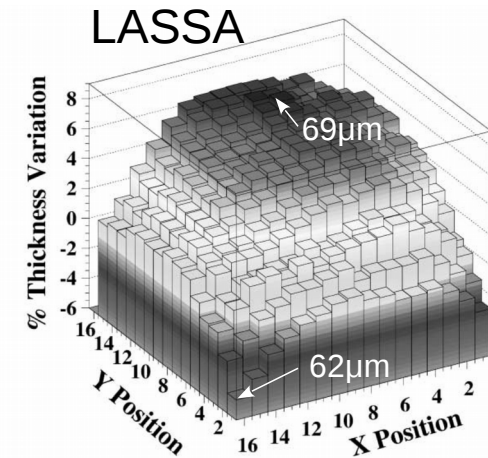


## Stripped detectors

Small thickness non-uniformity inside a strip. Can be measured and corrected individually.

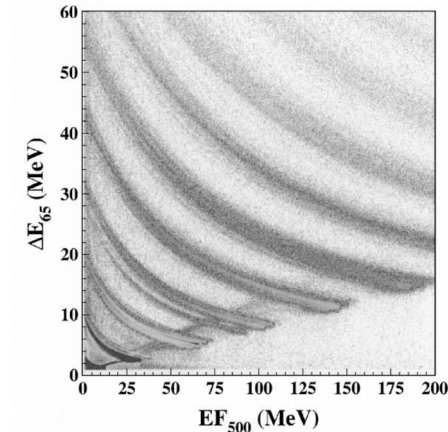
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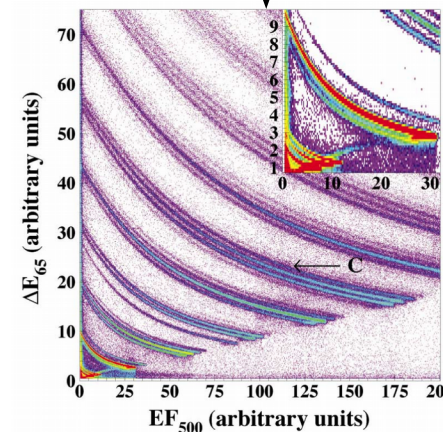


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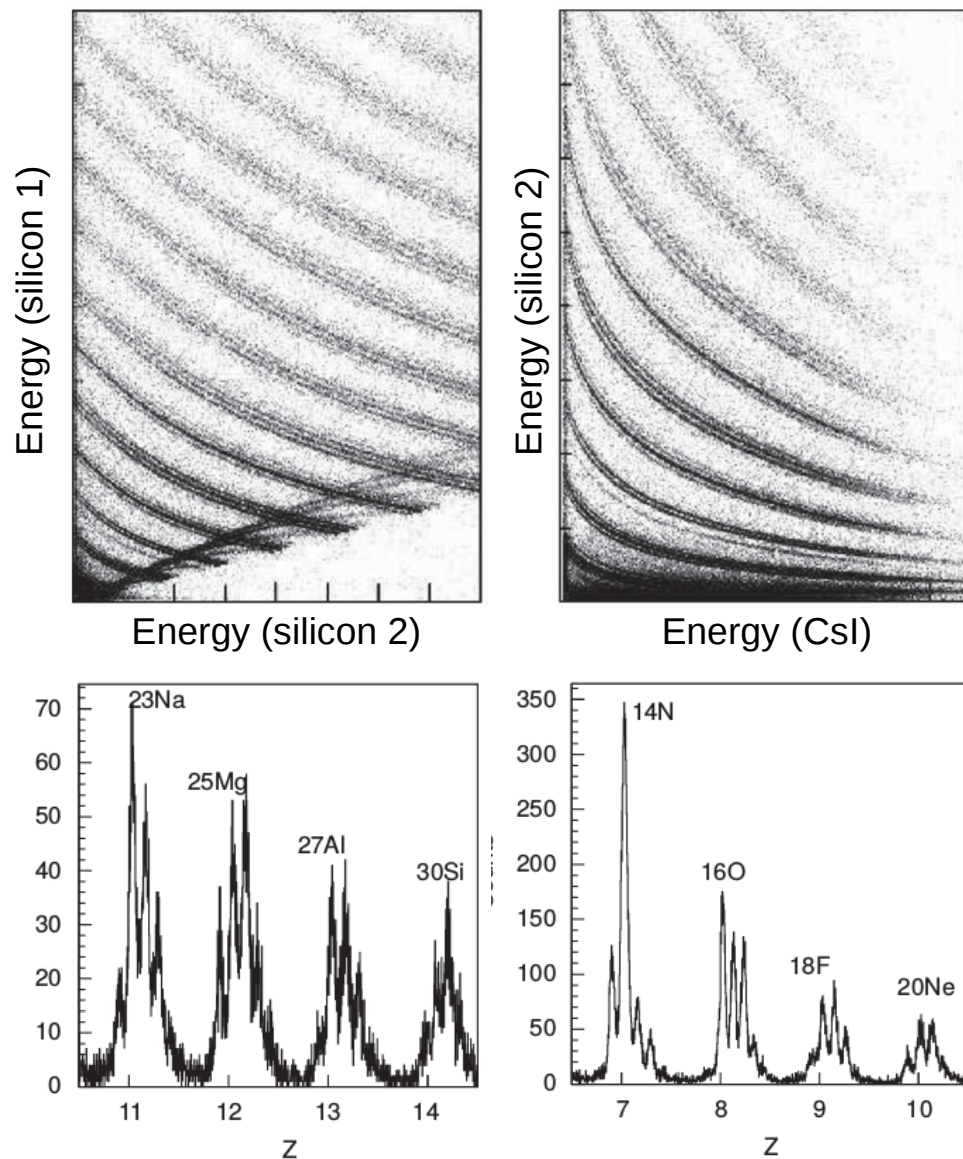


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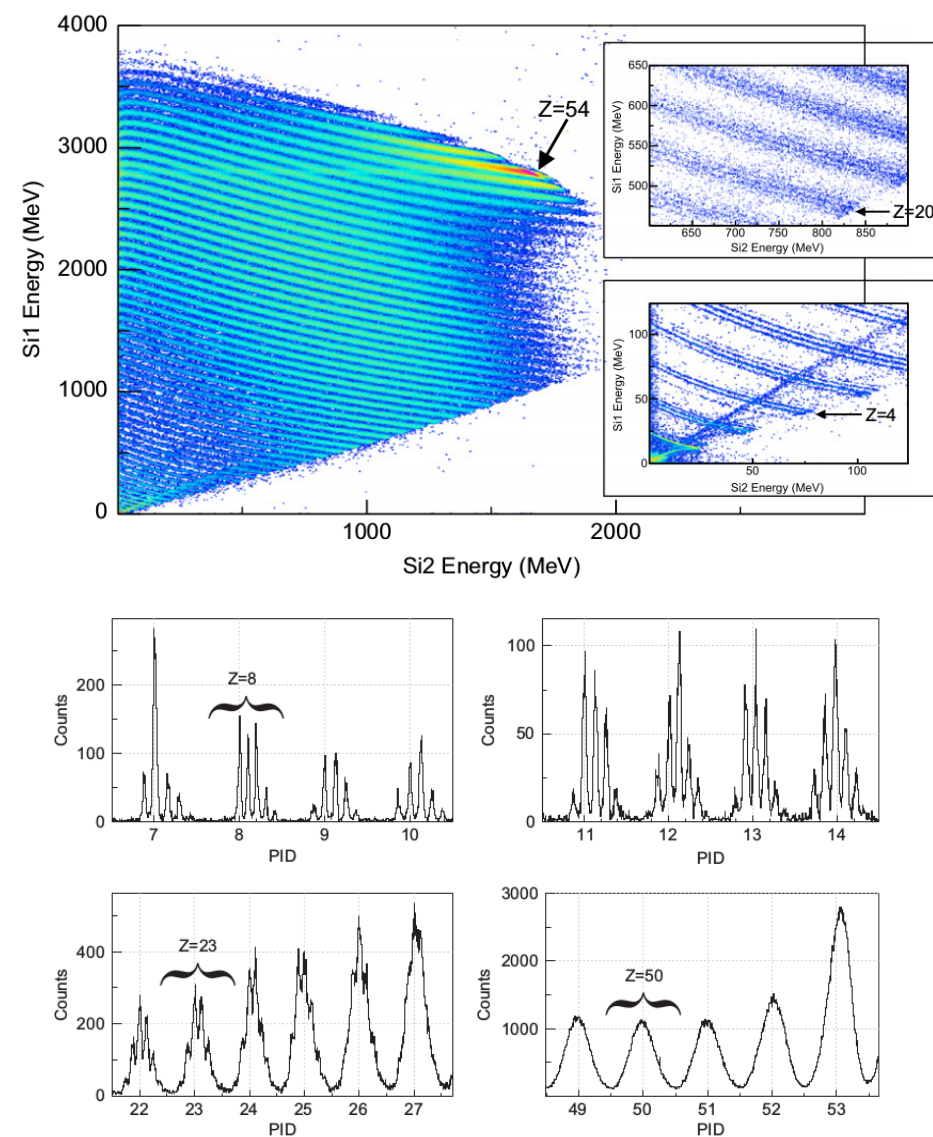


# $\Delta E$ -E identification : two examples

## NIMROD



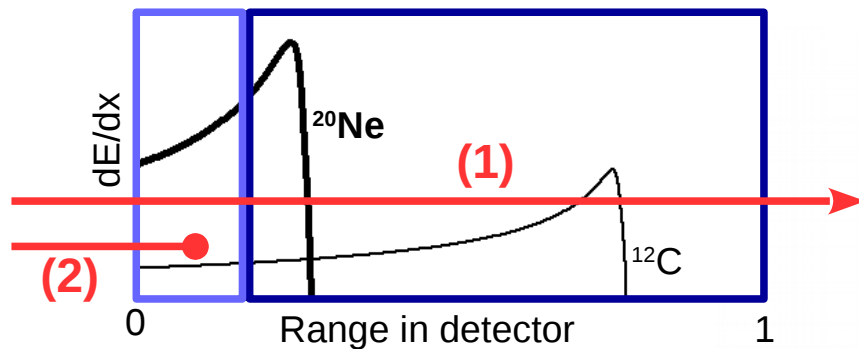
## FAZIA



# $\Delta E$ -E identification

## Basic idea

Divide the material in  $\Delta E$  and E layers  
Z and A lines appear in the  $\Delta E$ -E correlation



## Important points

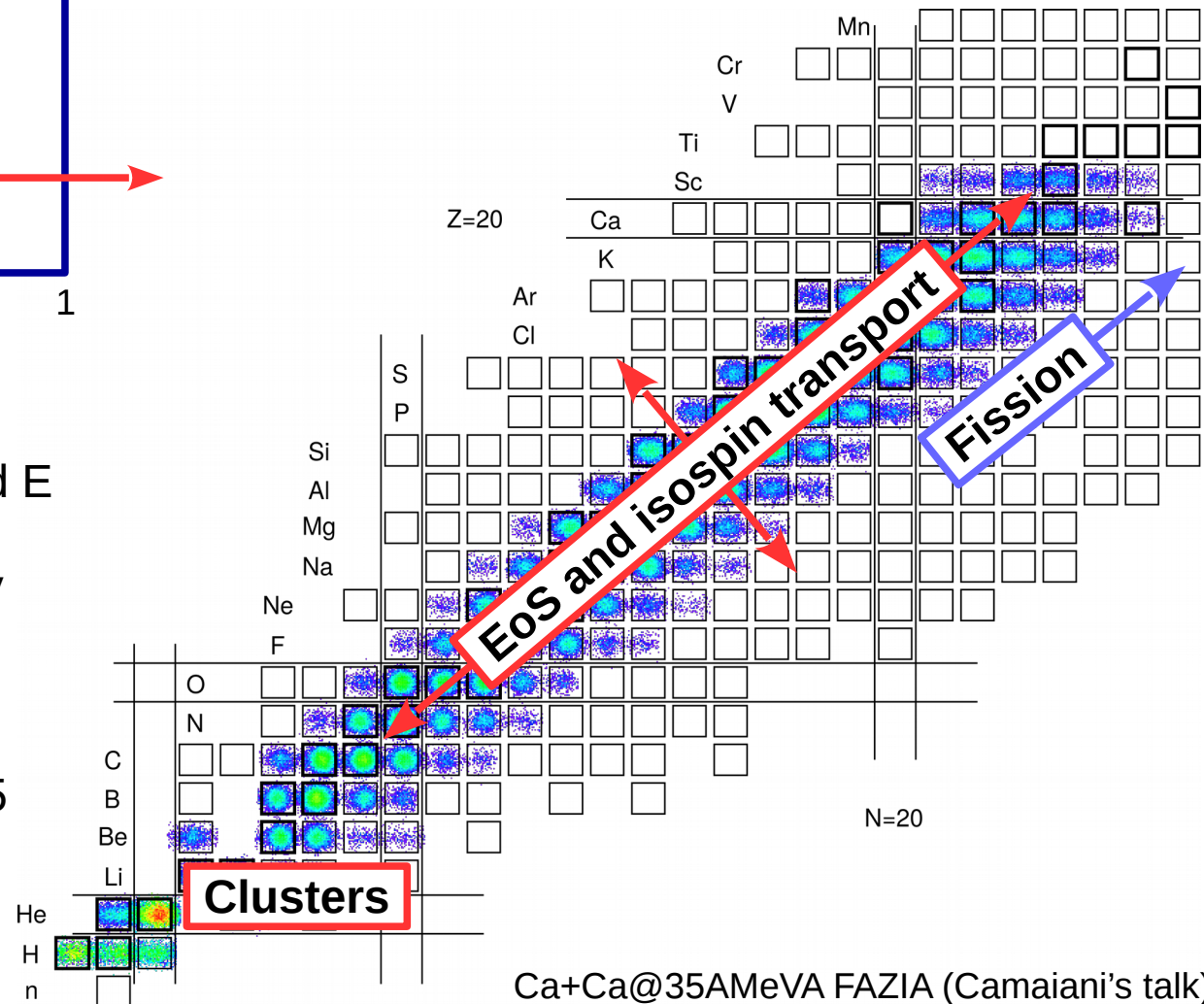
- Precise measurement of  $\Delta E$  and E
- Avoid channeling effects
- $\Delta E$  detector thickness uniformity

## Performances with FAZIA

- Full charge identification
- Isotopic identification up to  $Z \sim 25$

## Limitations

- Limited number of A per element ( $\sim 7$ )
- Only particles stopped in the 2<sup>nd</sup> layer
- Solution (1) : add a 3<sup>rd</sup> layer
- Solution (2) : PSA and ToF



## **1 $\Delta E$ -E identification**

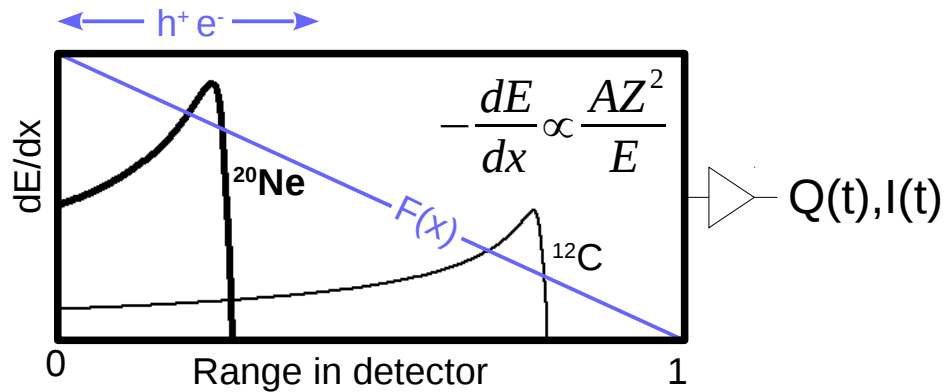
Allows full Z identification and A identification up to Z~25  
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## **2 Pulse Shape Analysis identification**

## **3 Time of Flight identification**

## **4 Data processing**

# Pulse Shape Analysis in silicon detectors

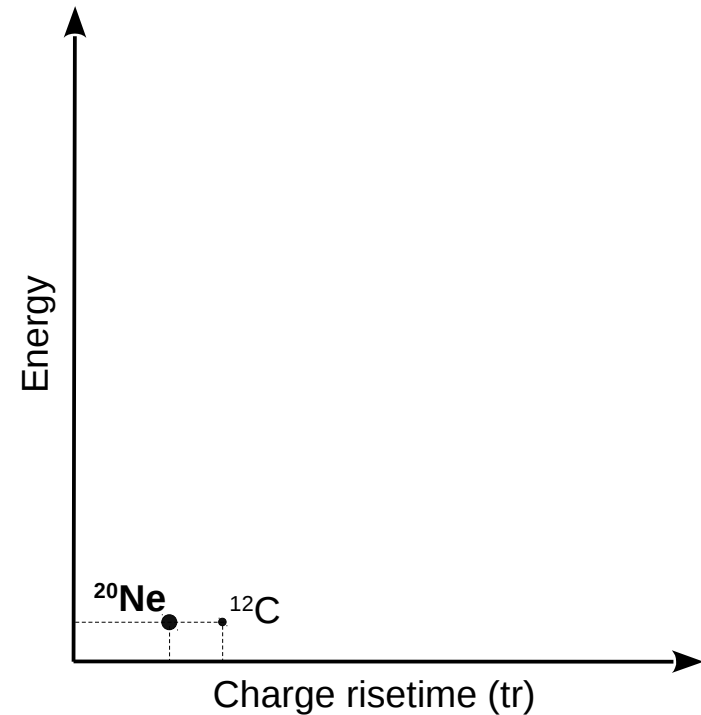
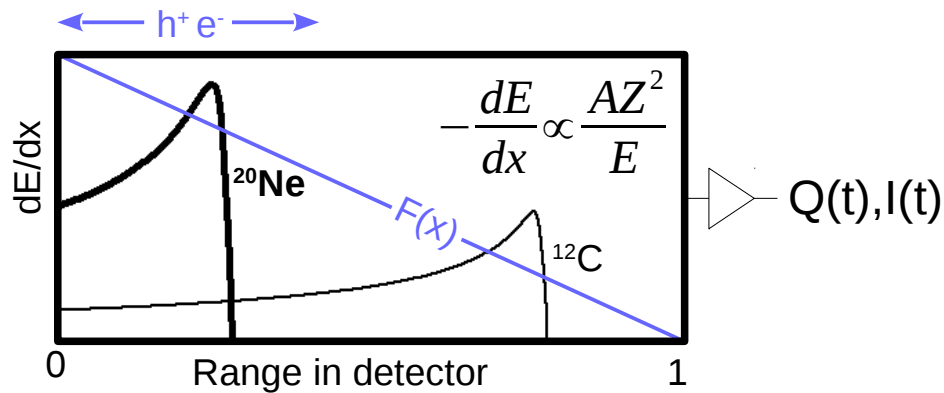


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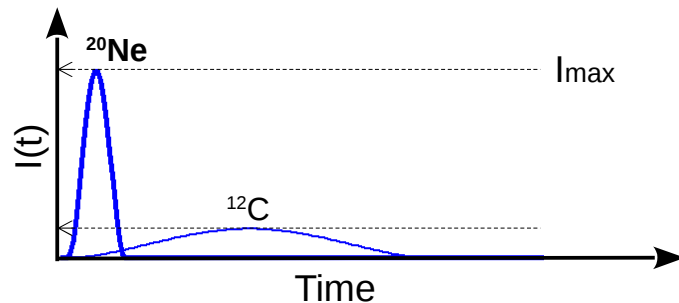
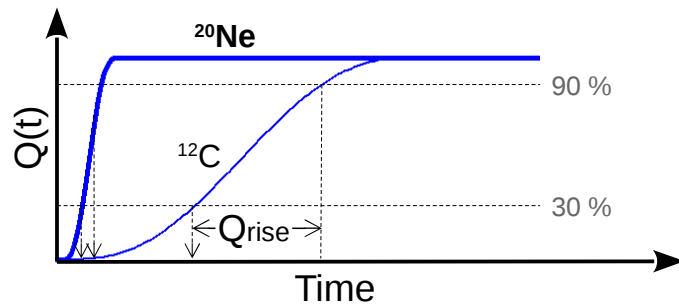


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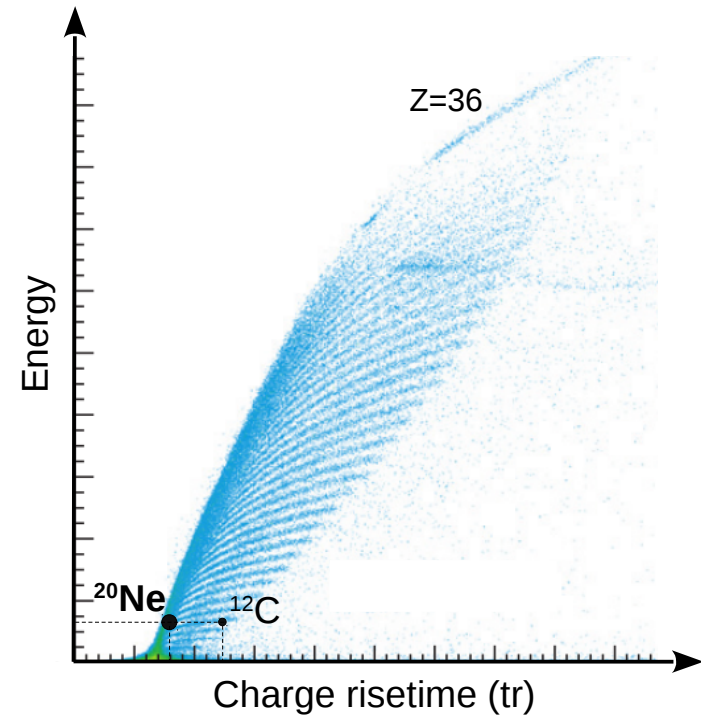
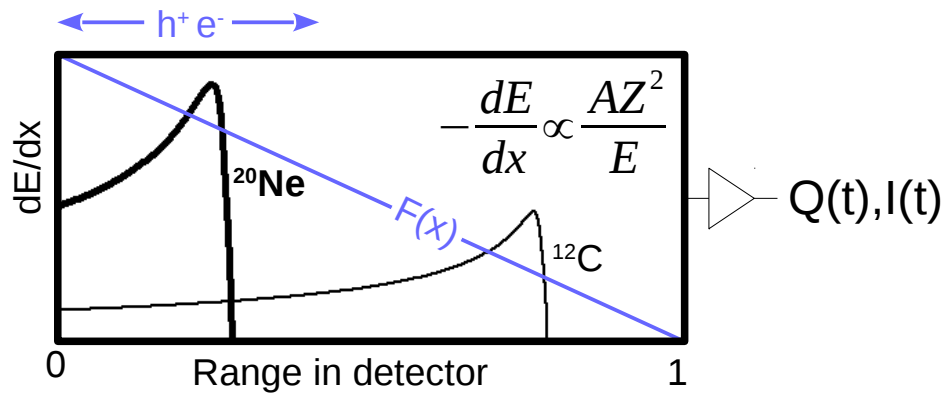
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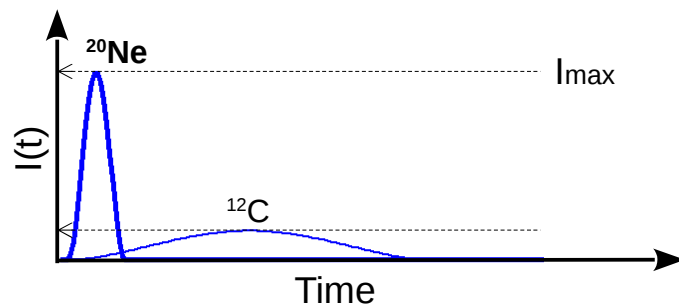
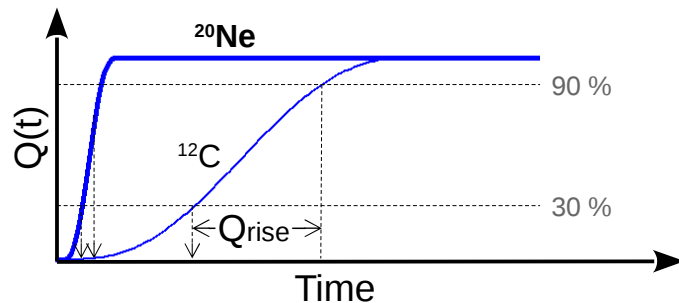
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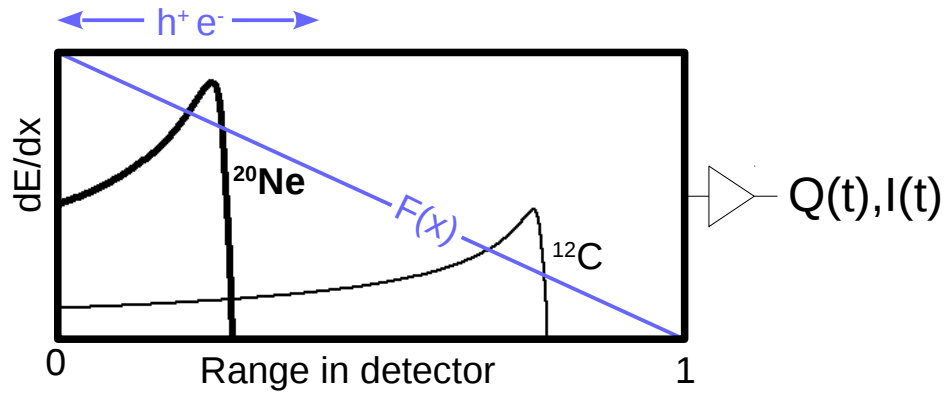
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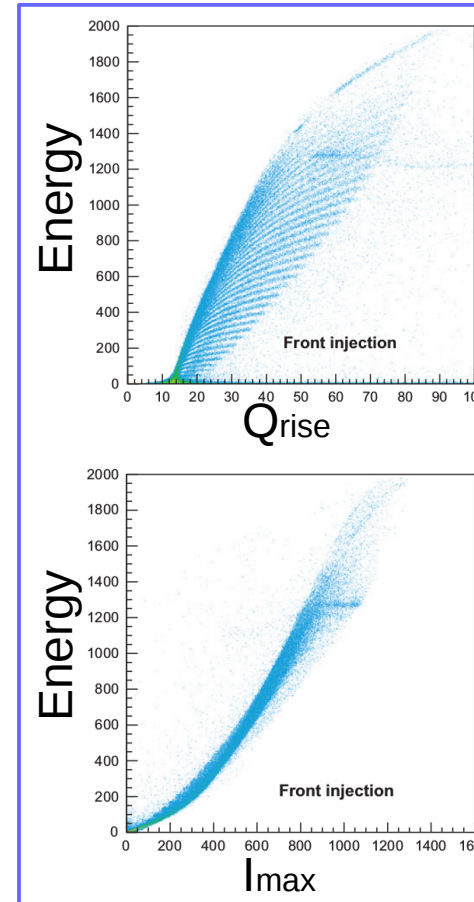
## Important points

Precise energy measurement  
Preserve/characterize the signal shape  $s(t)$   
Electric field homogeneity and stability

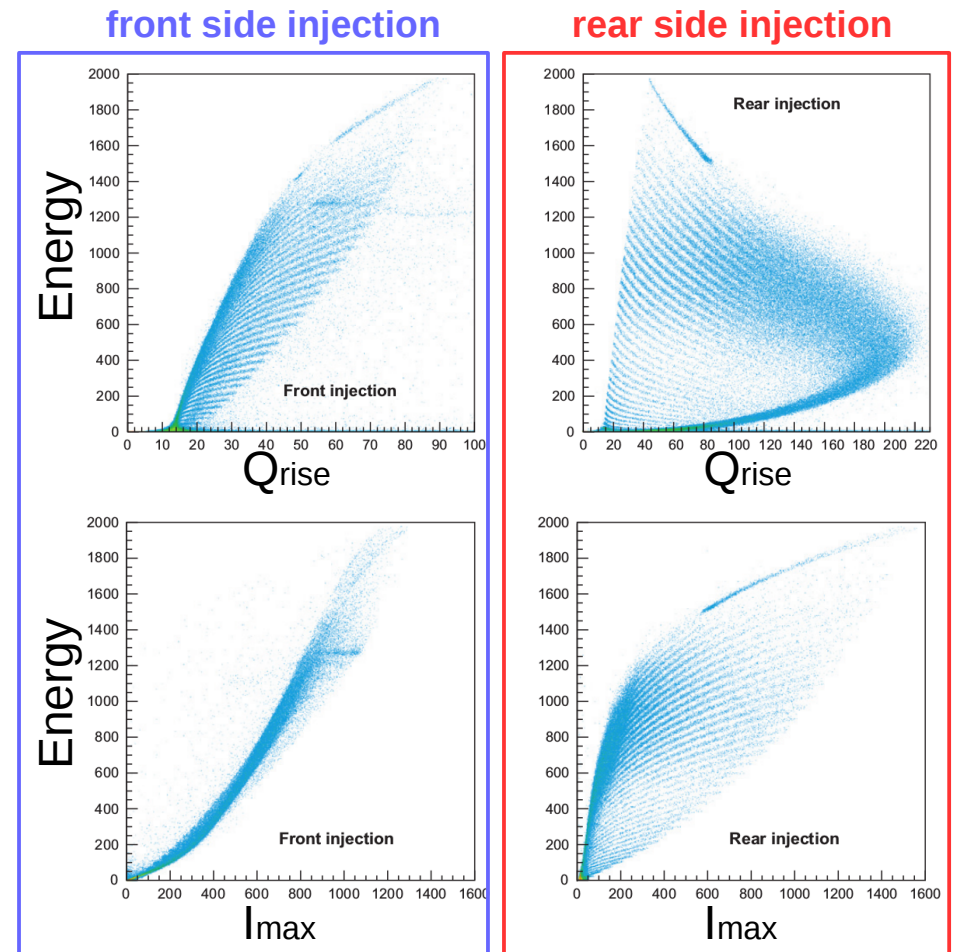
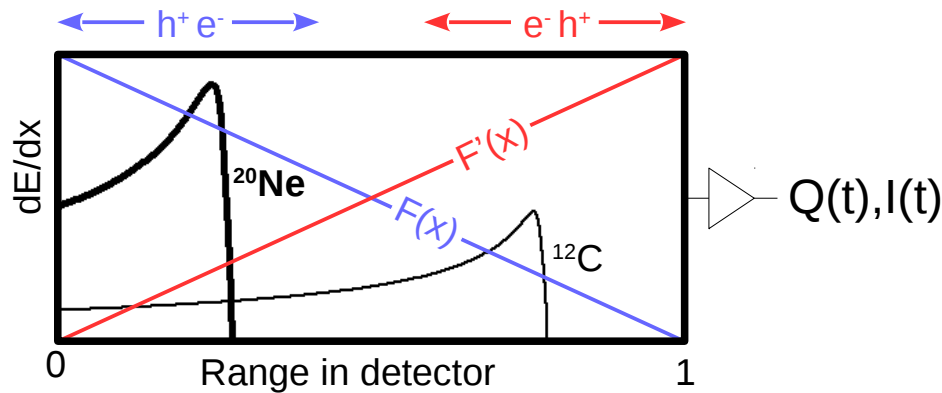
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front side injection

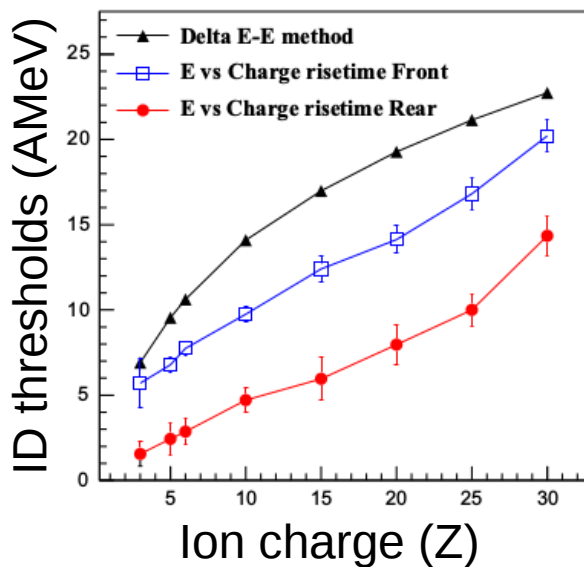


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## Rear side injection

Particles injected in the low field side  
Slower signal for low energy heavy ions



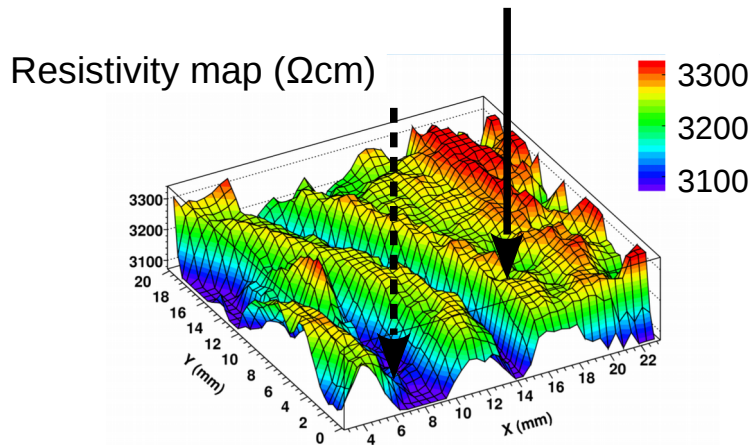
## Advantages

Lower identification thresholds in rear injection  
Allows to use  $I_{max}$  which gives better mass ID  
Slower signals are worth for timing (Valdrè's talk)

# Electric field homogeneity and stability

## Homogeneity and stability

Collection time should be independent of impact position or time. Homogeneous resistivity over the detector surface and constant bias voltage.

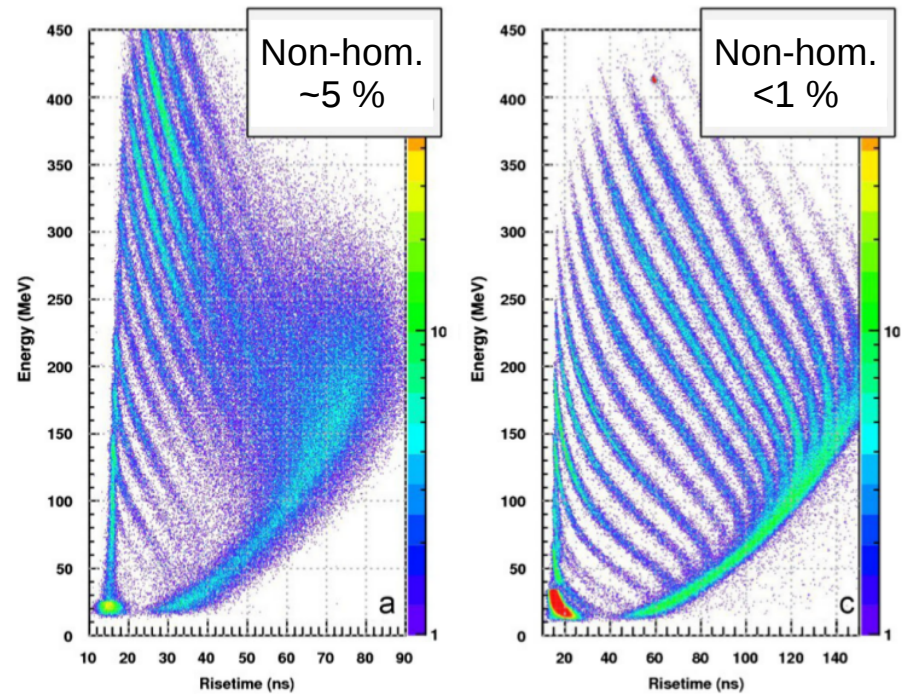
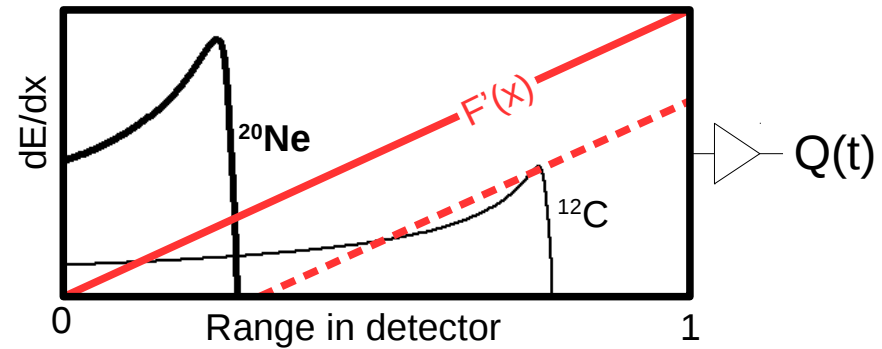


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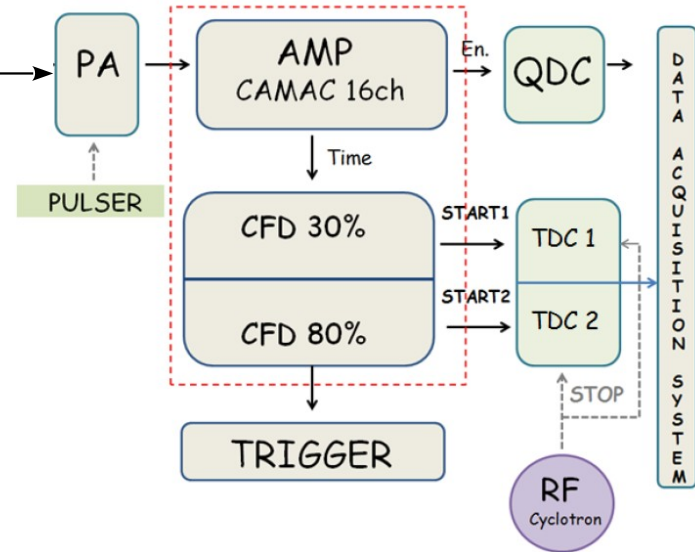
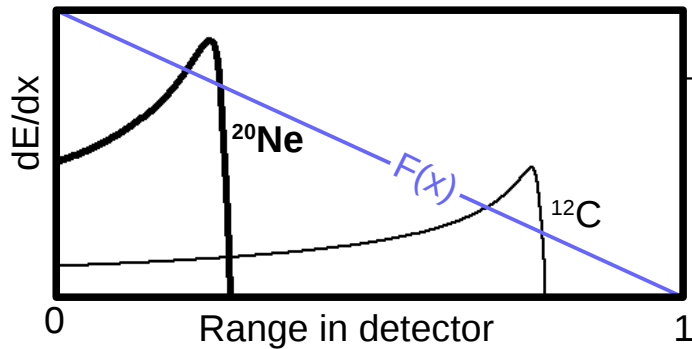
Non-destructive method for resistivity mapping based on Pulse Shape Analysis. Much better performances with  $< 1\%$  non-homogeneity.

## Radiation damage

Leakage current increases in time due to radiation damage. Bias voltage correction.

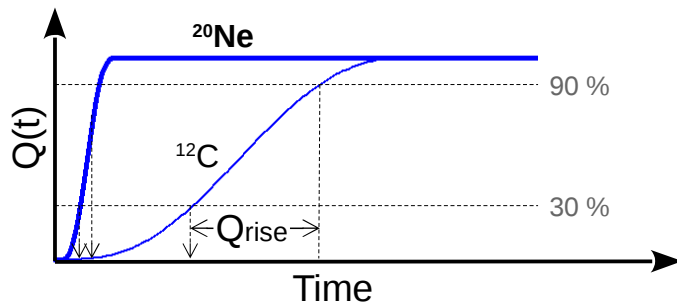


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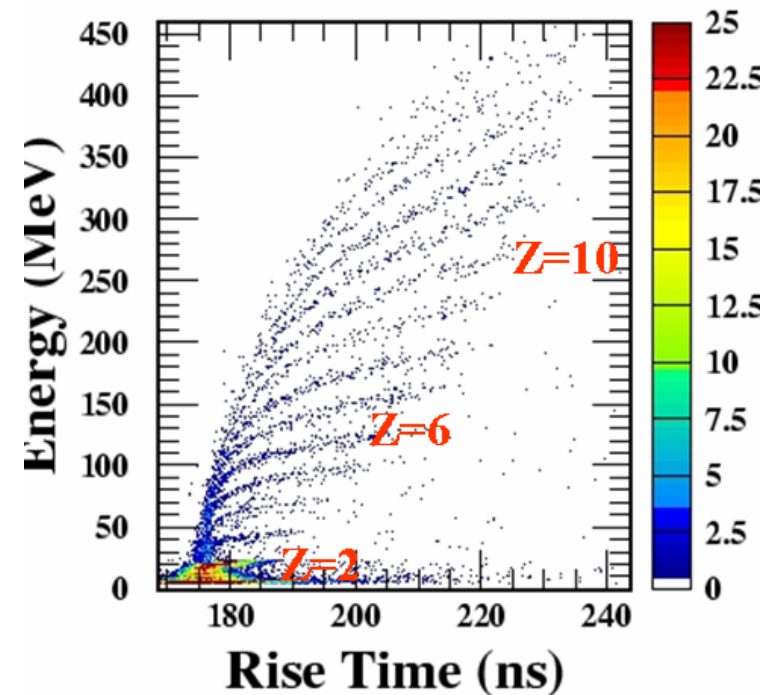
## CHIMERA strategy

- Front side injection silicons (better for timing)
- Two CFD (30 % and 80 %) after amplification
- No digitalization of the signal



## Performances

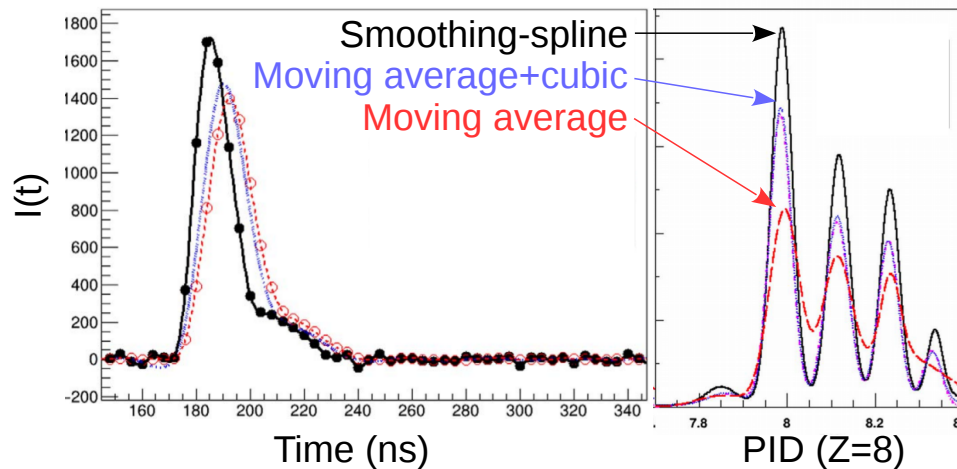
- Charge identification
- No isotopic identification  $\rightarrow$  time of flight



# Pulse Shape Analysis in silicon : FAZIA

## FAZIA strategy

Reverse mounted nTD silicons (300 $\mu$ m)  
 $I(t)$  sampled at 250MHz and processed offline  
Energy from a trapezoidal shaper in the FPGA  
Real-time leakage current auto-correction

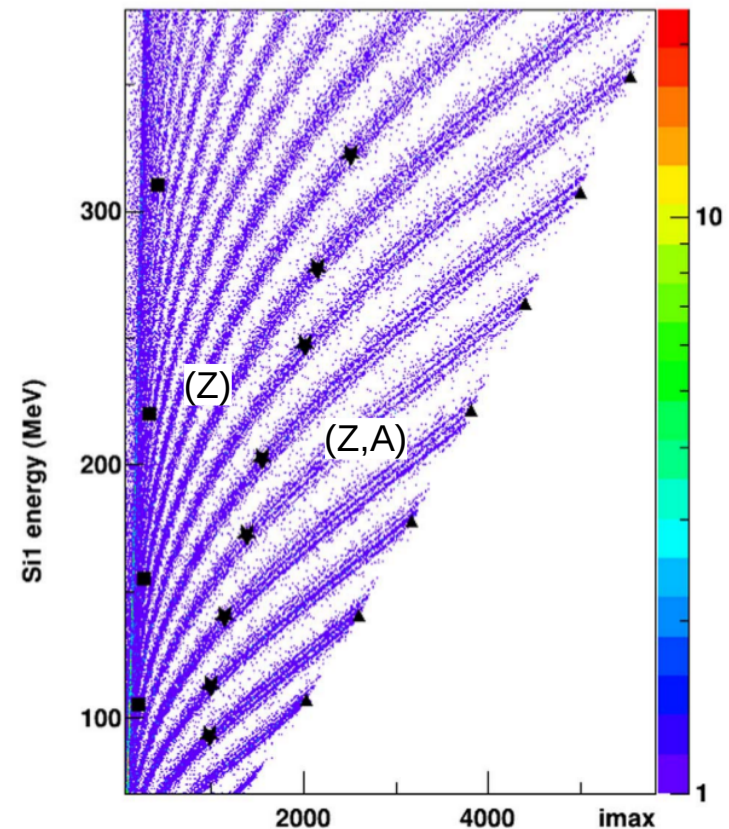
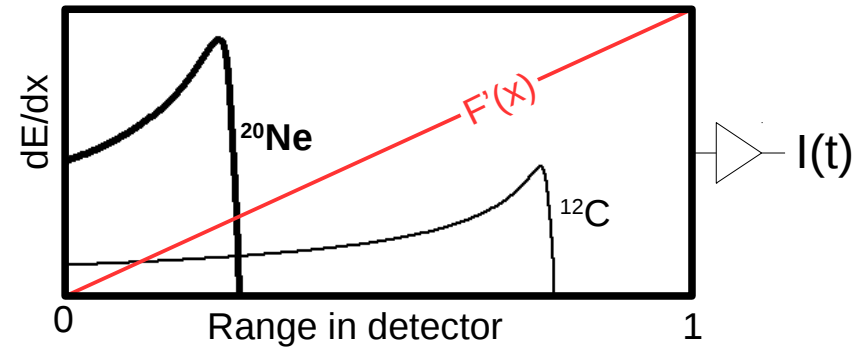


## Signal processing

Moving average or smoothing (noise reduction) with cubic or spline interpolation

## Optimal filter

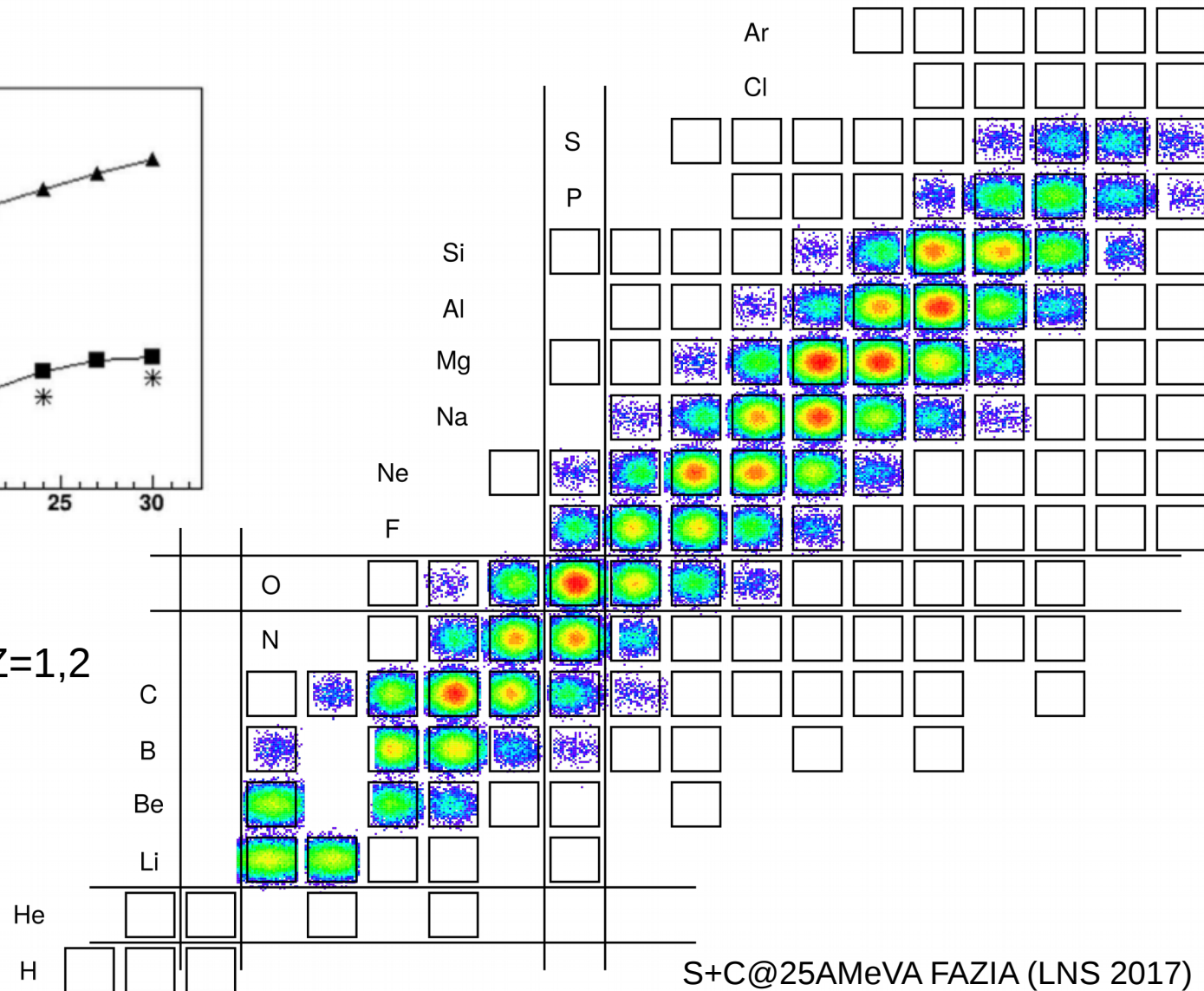
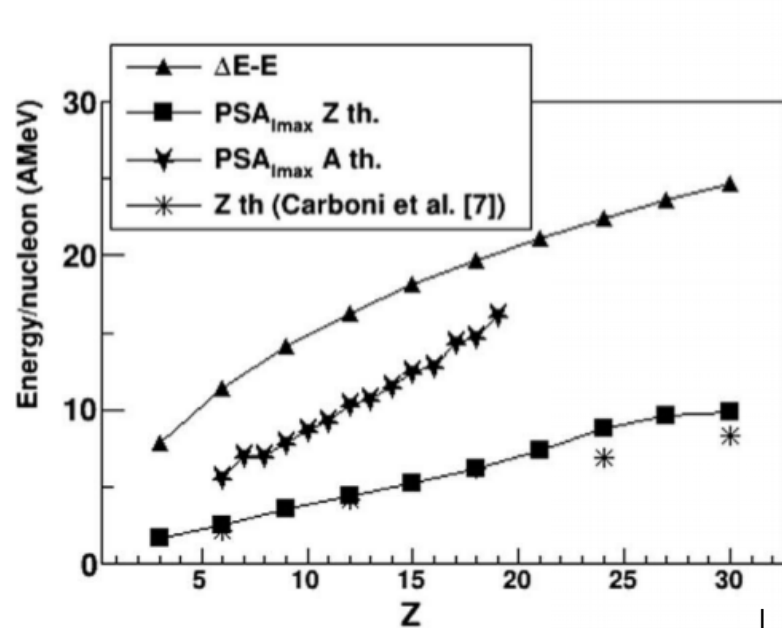
Smoothing-spline filter on current signal allows for isotopic identification with low thresholds



# Pulse Shape Analysis in silicon : FAZIA

## Performances

Isotopic identification for  $2 < Z < 20$   
 Z and A identification thresholds reduced



## Limitation

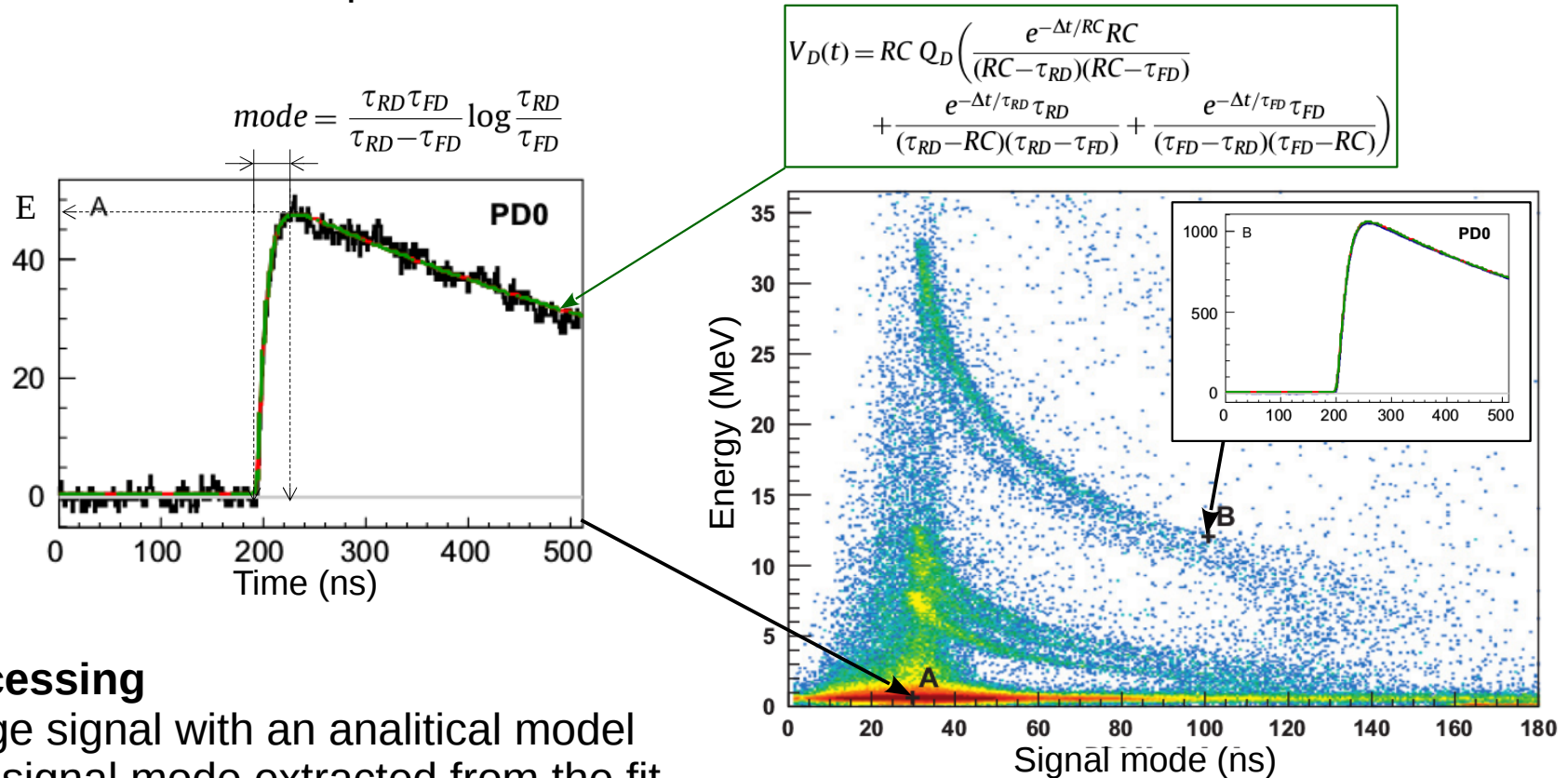
No isotopic resolution of Z=1,2  
 Relative time of flight ?  
 (see Valdrè's talk)



# Pulse Shape Analysis in silicon : KRATTA

## KRATTA strategy

Reverse mounted silicon photodiodes (500 $\mu\text{m}$ )  
Q(t) sampled at 100MHz and processed offline



## Signal processing

Fit the charge signal with an analytical model  
Energy and signal mode extracted from the fit

## Performances

Isotopic identification of light clusters  
Low identification thresholds

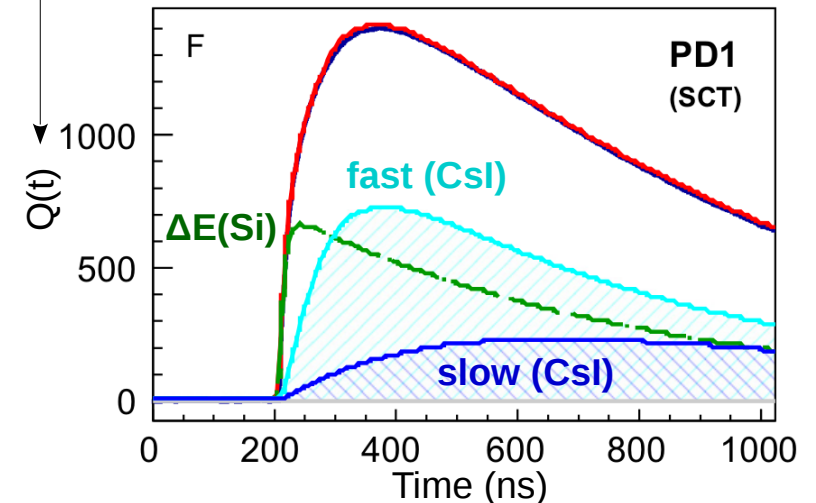
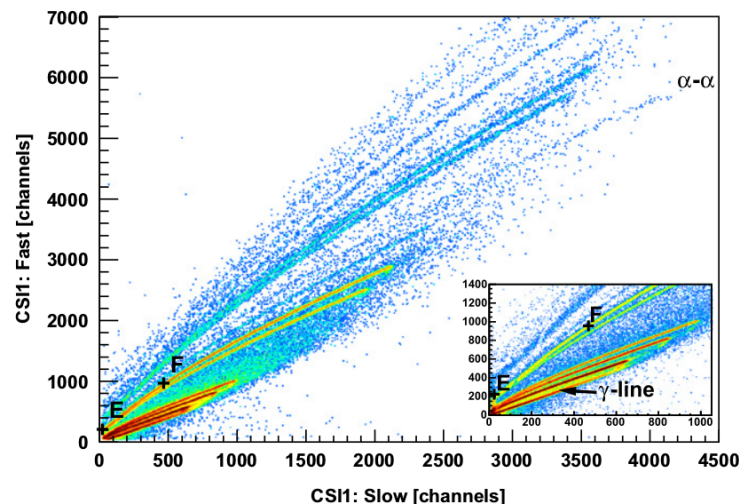
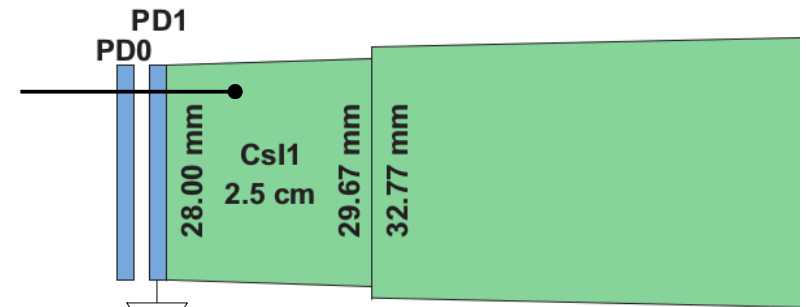
# Pulse Shape Analysis : single chip telescope

## Concept

Use the silicon for  $\Delta E$  measurement and scintillation light collection. Both  $\Delta E$  and  $E$  are derived from the silicon signal reducing the complexity and the cost of the electronics.

## Signal processing

Applying different shapers on  $Q(t)$  signal (FAZIA)  
Fitting the  $Q(t)$  signal with a model (KRATTA)



## Performances

Both methods give isotopic identification in  $\Delta E$ - $E$   
The fitting procedure allows to do PSA in the CsI

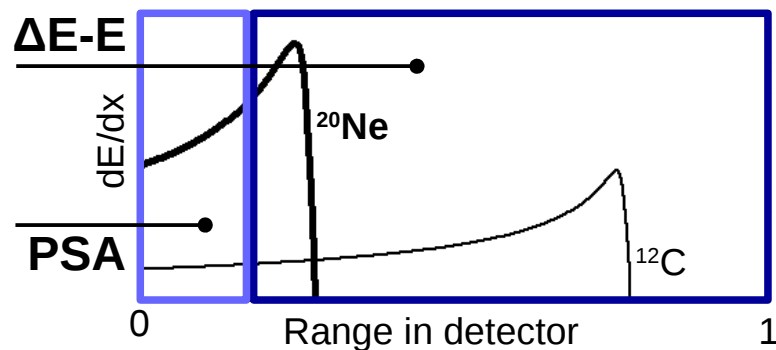
# Pulse Shape Analysis identification in silicon

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Use the shape of the signal induced by the charge collection to measure Z (and A)

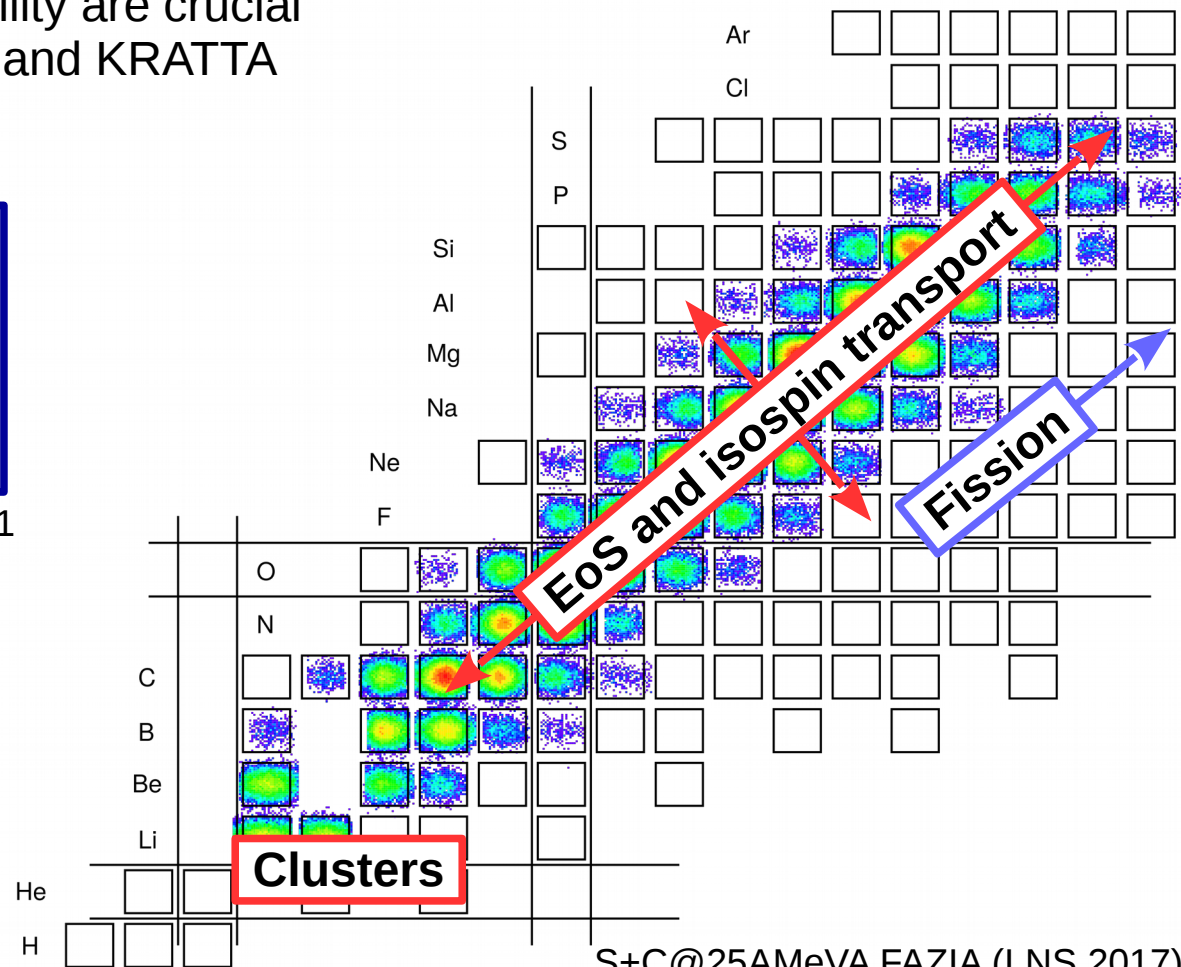
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Better identification in rear injection (worth for timing)  
Electric field homogeneity and stability are crucial  
Practical uses : CHIMERA, FAZIA, and KRATTA



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Full charge identification  
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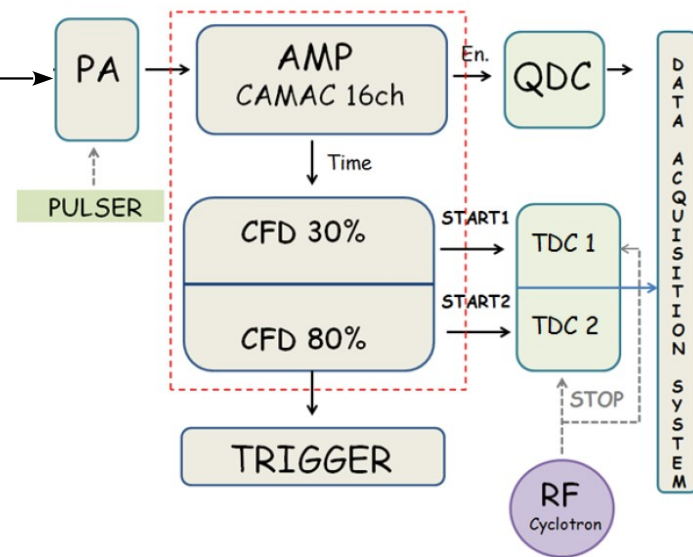
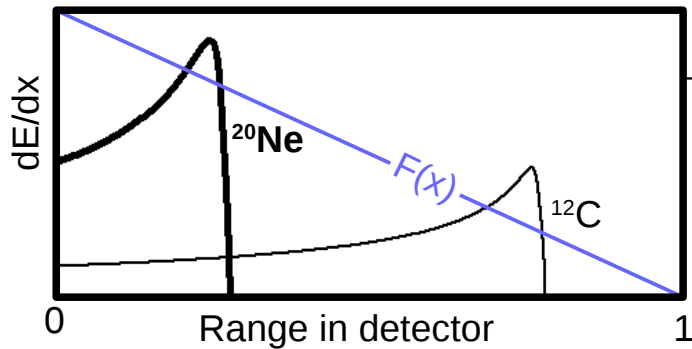
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## **4 Data processing**

# Time of Flight identification : CHIMERA



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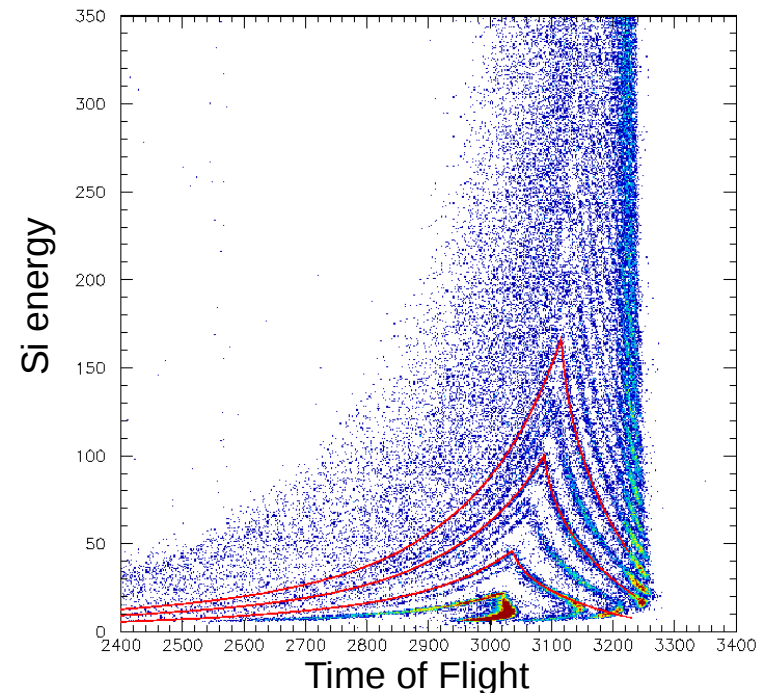
Deduce the mass from the energy and velocity

## CHIMERA strategy

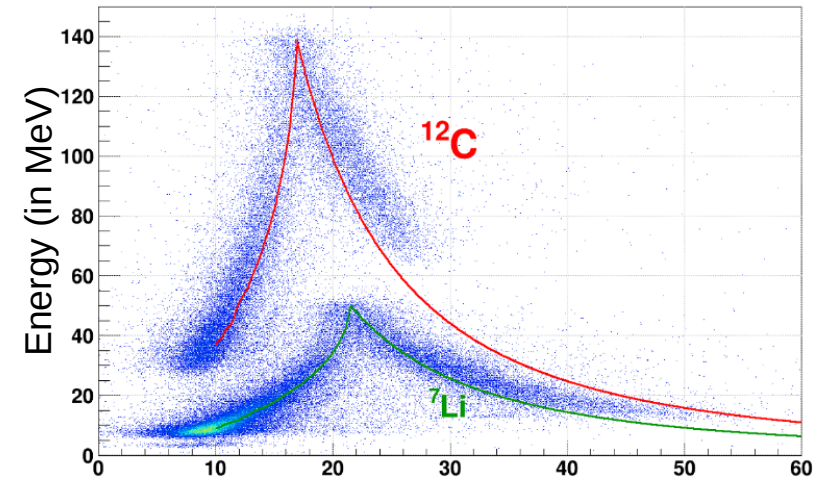
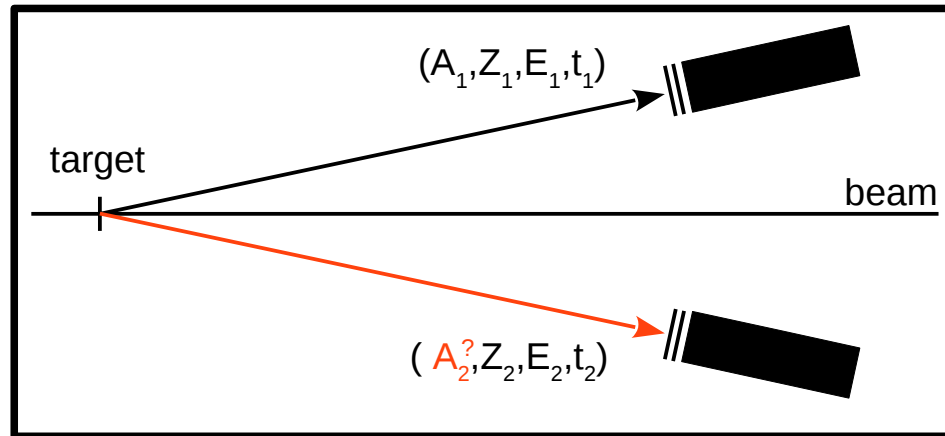
Front side injection silicons (faster signals)  
 CFD at 30 % after signal amplification  
 Reference time from the cyclotron frequency

## Performances

Mass identification up to  $A \sim 20$   
 No charge identification  $\rightarrow$  Pulse Shape Analysis



# Time of flight identification : FAZIA



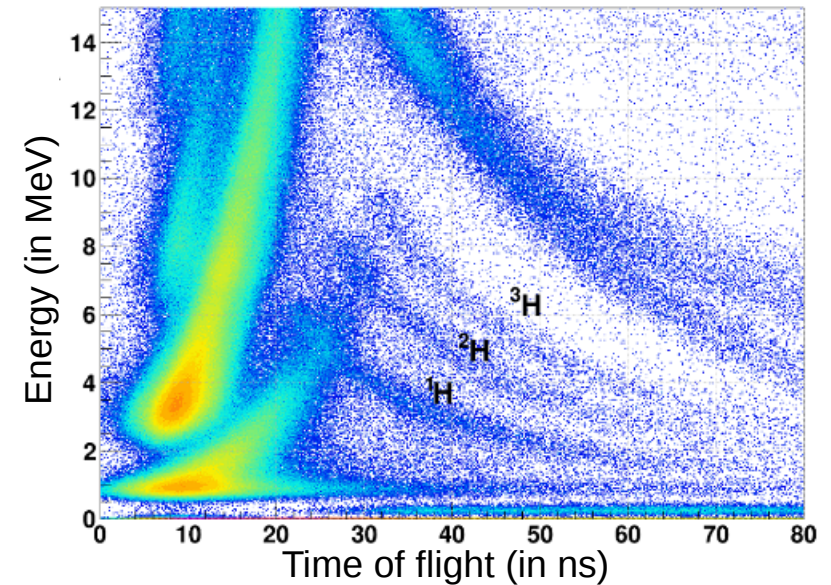
## Relative time

Reference time extracted from the time mark of a well identified particle in the same event:

$$\text{ToF}_2 = t_2 - t_1 + \text{ToF}_1(A_1, E_1)$$

## Expected performances

Hope to recover isotopic identification of  $Z=1,2$  stopped in first silicon (Valdrè's talk)



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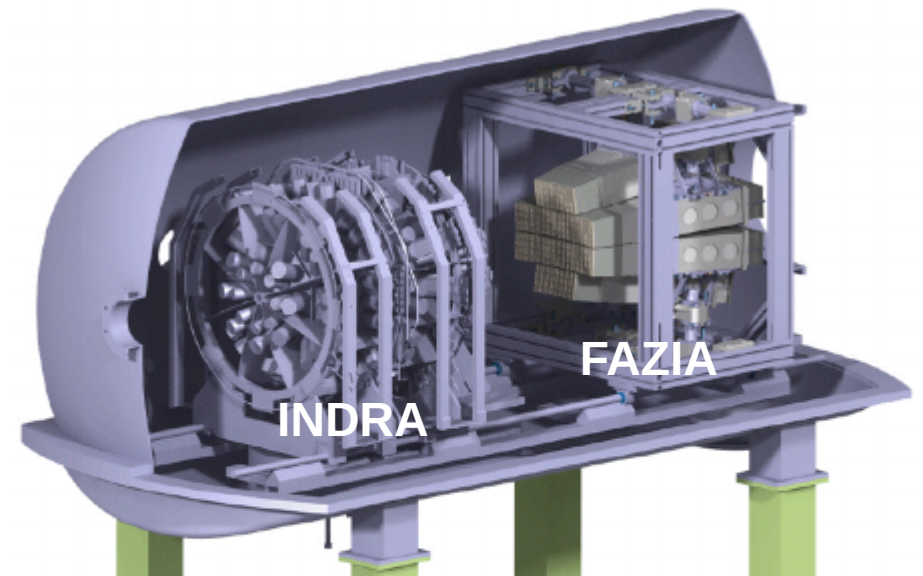
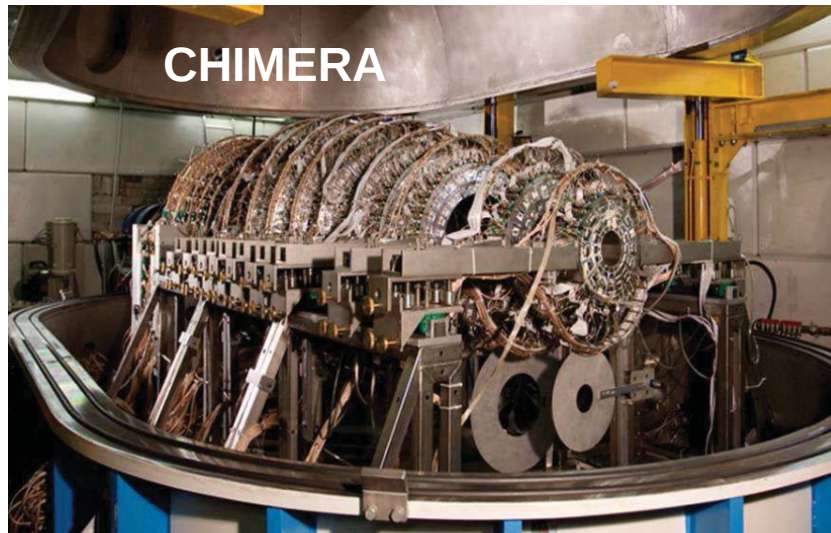
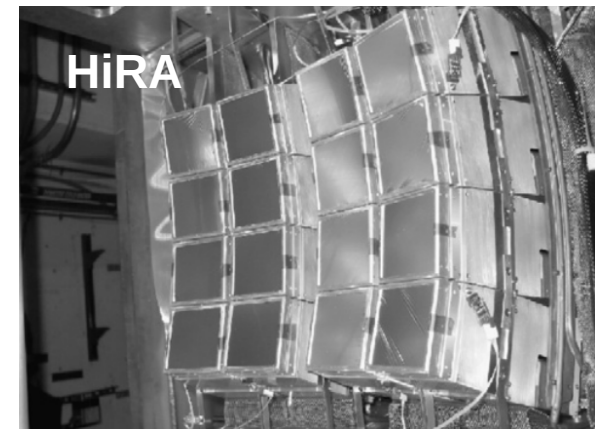
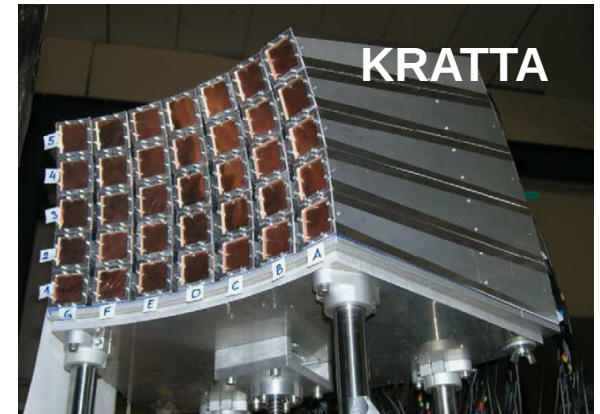
# Data processing

## Identification matrices

Large arrays made of hundreds of telescopes  
Several identification matrices per telescopes  
Matrix complexity increases with increasing isotopic resolution → data reduction more and more difficult and time consuming

## Automatization

Many (semi-)automatic technics : fitting procedures, peak-finding methods, artificial neural networks, image processing...





# Data processing : evolutionary strategy

## Approach

Combines a generative model of  $\Delta E$ - $E$  relation and a Covariance Matrix Adaptation Evolutionary Strategy (CMA-ES)

## Model

Tassan-Got functional (3 free parameters) :

$$\Delta E = \left[ (gE)^{\mu+\nu+1} + (\lambda Z^\alpha A^\beta)^{\mu+\nu+1} + \xi Z^2 A^\mu (gE)^\nu \right]^{\frac{1}{\mu+\nu+1}} - gE$$

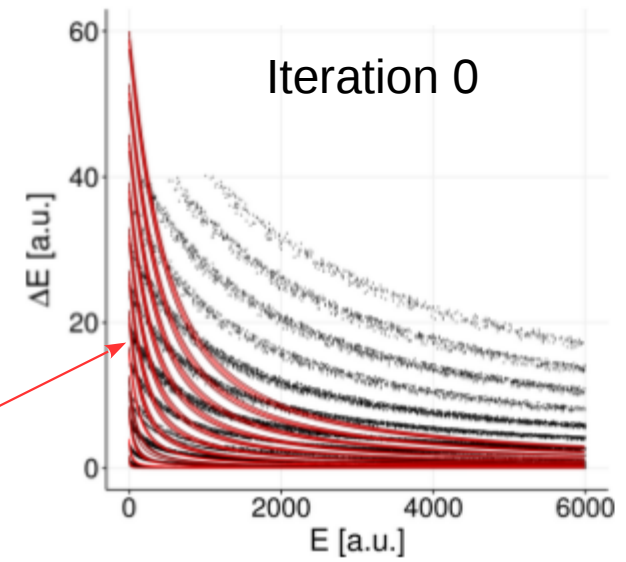
## Minimization

Sum of the distance between each point and the closest line minimized with a CMA-ES method :

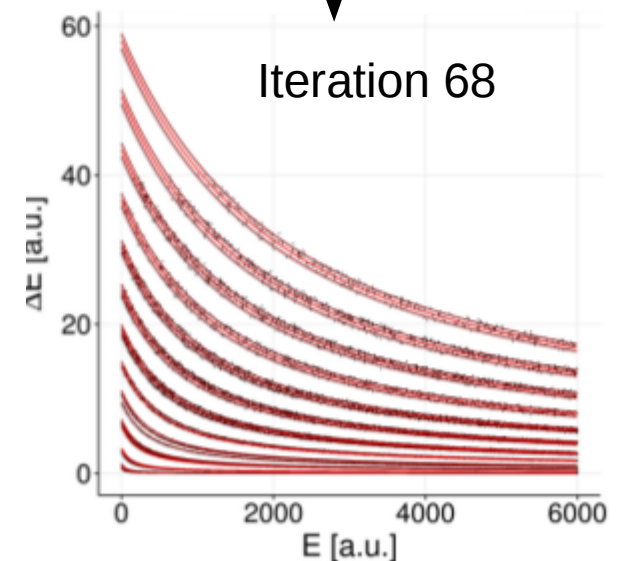
$$f(D_{m,2}, g, \mu, \lambda) = \sum_{j=1}^m \arg \min_{i \in I} (D_{j,1} - t(D_{j,2}, g, \mu, \lambda, A_i, Z_i))^2$$

## Performances

Isotopic identification without any human intervention  
Fit result strongly depends on the model quality  
Only validated on simulated and labeled data



CMA-ES



# Data processing : from AME to AMI

## Approach

Adjust calibration parameters by fitting few clicked (Z,A) lines with the energy loss tables

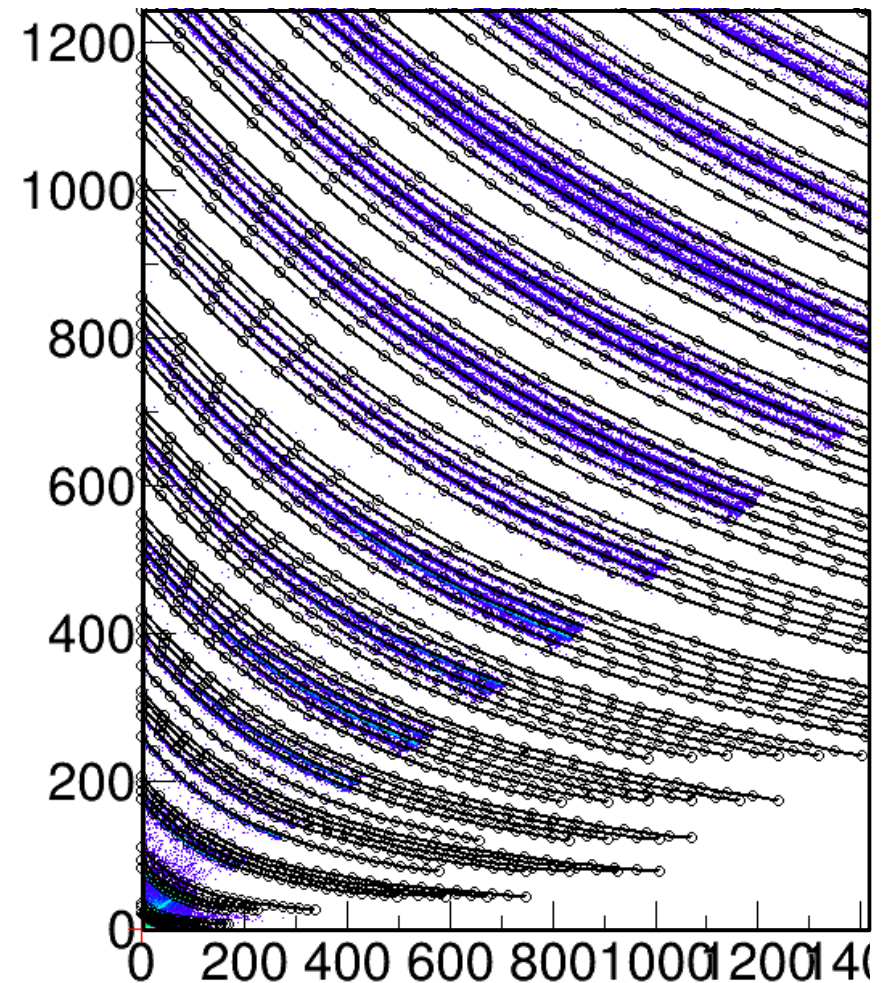
## Originality

Very accurate description of silicon detector response and CsI(Tl) light output :

$$L(E) = -a_G \left\{ \int_0^{E_\delta} \frac{1}{a_R S_e(E)} \ln \left( 1 - \frac{a_R S_e(E)}{1 + a_R S_e(E) + a_n S_n(E)} \right) \frac{dE}{1 + S_n(E)/S_e(E)} \right. \\ \left. + \int_{E_\delta}^{E_0} \frac{1 - F(E)}{y(E) a_R S_e(E)} \ln \left( 1 - \frac{y(E) a_R S_e(E)}{1 + a_R S_e(E) + a_n S_n(E)} \right) \frac{dE}{1 + S_n(E)/S_e(E)} \right. \\ \left. - \int_{E_\delta}^{E_0} \frac{F(E) dE}{1 + S_n(E)/S_e(E)} \right\}$$

## Performances

Isotopic identification with little human intervention (few lines to be clicked)  
Successfully applied on FAZIA Si-Si and Si-CsI(Tl) matrices



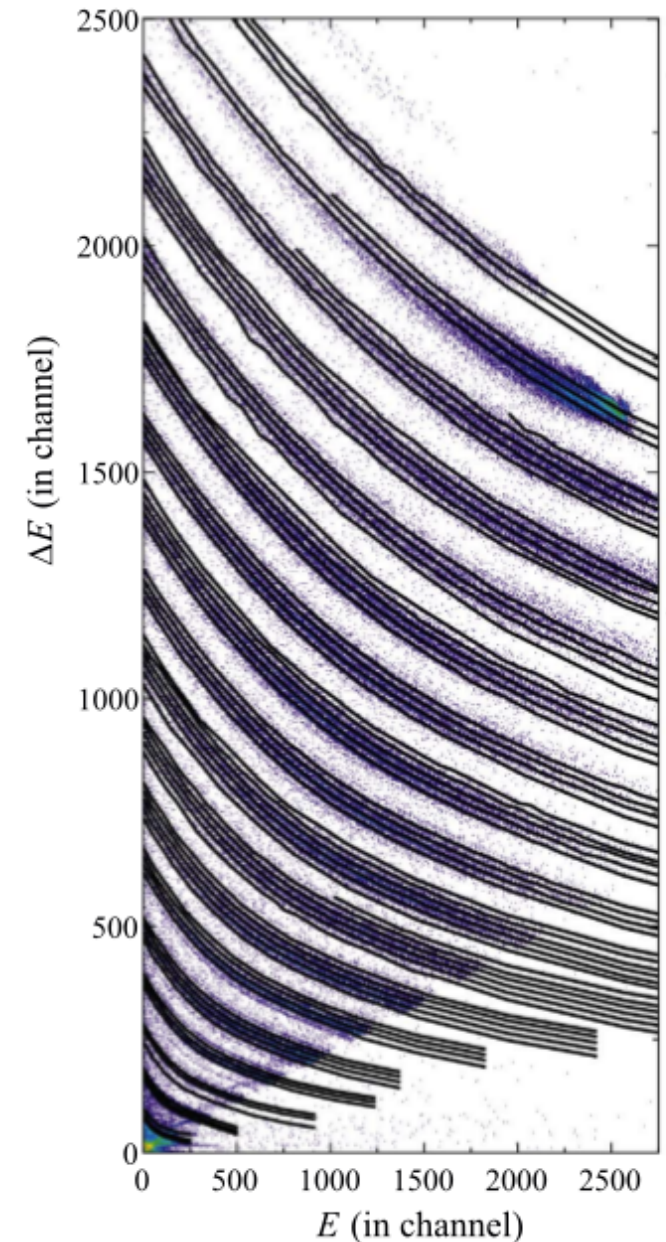
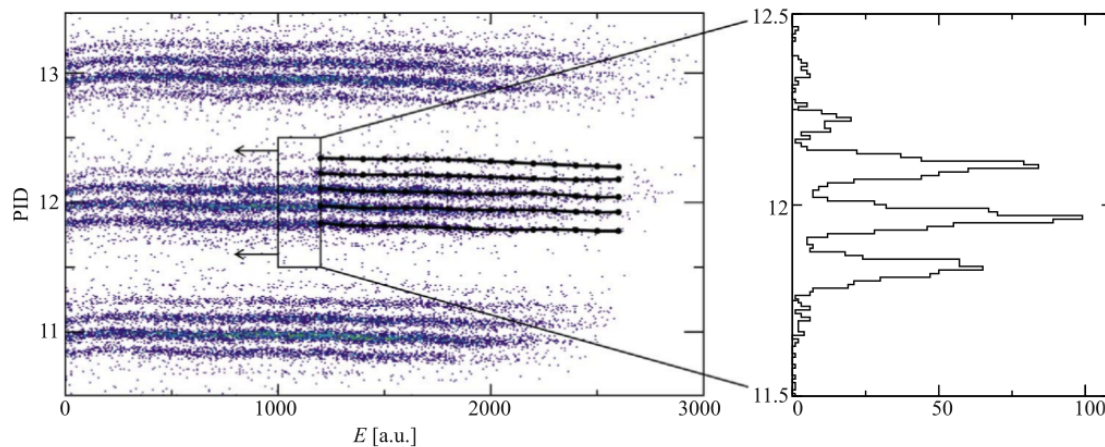
# Data processing : SPIDER identification

## SPIDER (charge) identification

Peak-finding method after projection of the matrix  
No assumption on the underlying physics

## SPIDER (mass) identification

Peak-finding after matrix linearization/projection  
The only input is the Z identification grid



## Performances

Allows for very fast isotopic identification (on-line)  
Little human intervention (two mouse-clicks)  
Works with many matrix types ( $\Delta E$ -E, PSA)  
Mass ID not precise enough for physics analysis

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Matrix complexity increases with increasing performances  
New (semi-)automatic methods are welcome

# What I forgot...

## ■ **Electronics**

GET electronics (Marchi's talk, De Filippo's and Pagano's talk)

Multichannel CMOS front ends (Guazzoni's talk)...

FAZIA electronics (Valdrè's talk)

## ■ **Pulse Shape Analysis**

Artificial neural network approach (Flores, NIMA **830** (2016) 287)

PSA with stripped detectors (Genolini, NIMA **732** (2013) 87)

Pulse Shape Analysis in CsI(Tl)

## ■ **High energies**

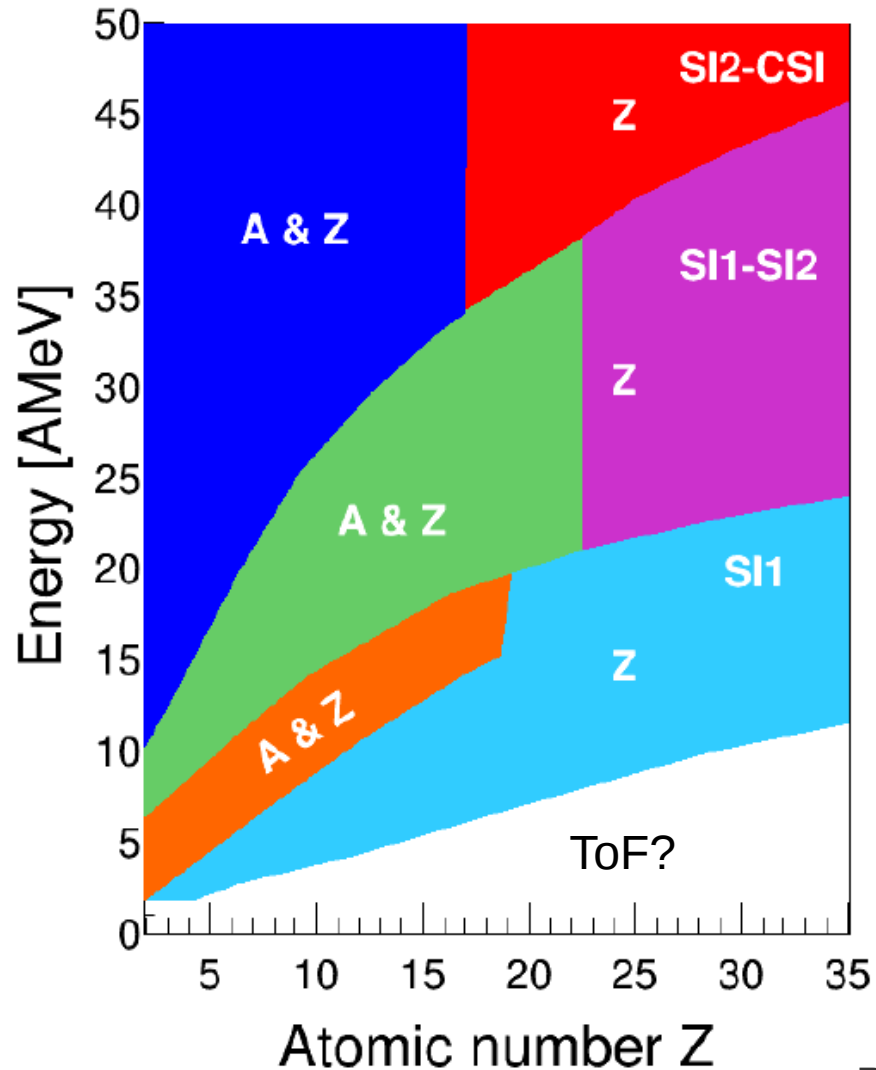
Fragmentation in detectors (Morfouace, NIMA **848** (2017) 45)

## ■ **Neutron detection**

Neutron sensitive solid scintillator (E. Pagano's talk)

Neutron-gamma discrimination...

# FAZIA block performances



## Identification capabilities.

Full charge identification and isotopic identification up to  $Z=15-25$  depending on the ion velocity.



## Identification thresholds.

Low identification thresholds thanks to pulse shape analysis in the first silicon stage. Adapted for reaction with beams from 20 MeV/nuc to 150MeV/nuc (GANIL, LNS, GSI). Could be improved with ToF measurements.

