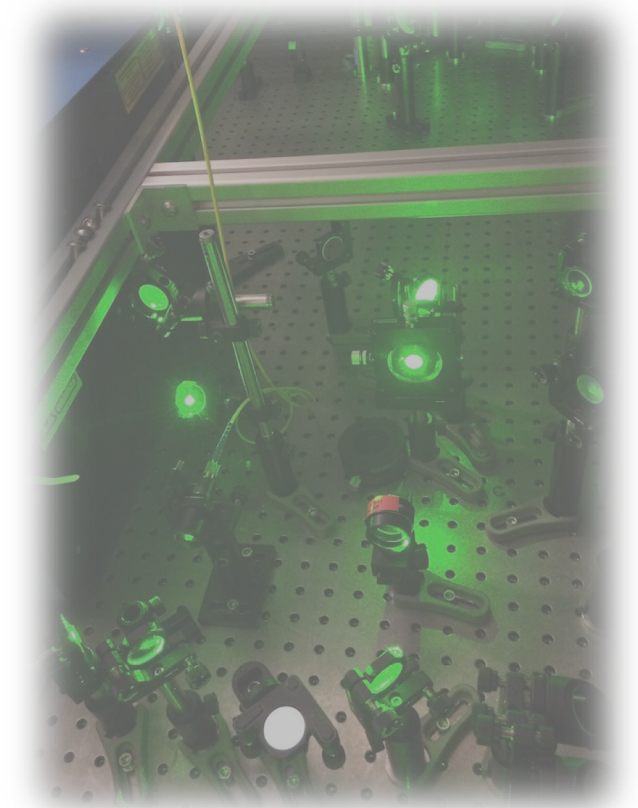


Collinear laser spectroscopy techniques

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Overview

- Assume some background in laser spectroscopy
- Experimental considerations at on-line facilities
- Brief recap of collinear method and focus on collinear resonance ionization spectroscopy.
- Isotope shifts and charge radii as a test for inter-nucleon interactions and many-body methods
- Recent results from the CRIS experiment
- Concluding remarks

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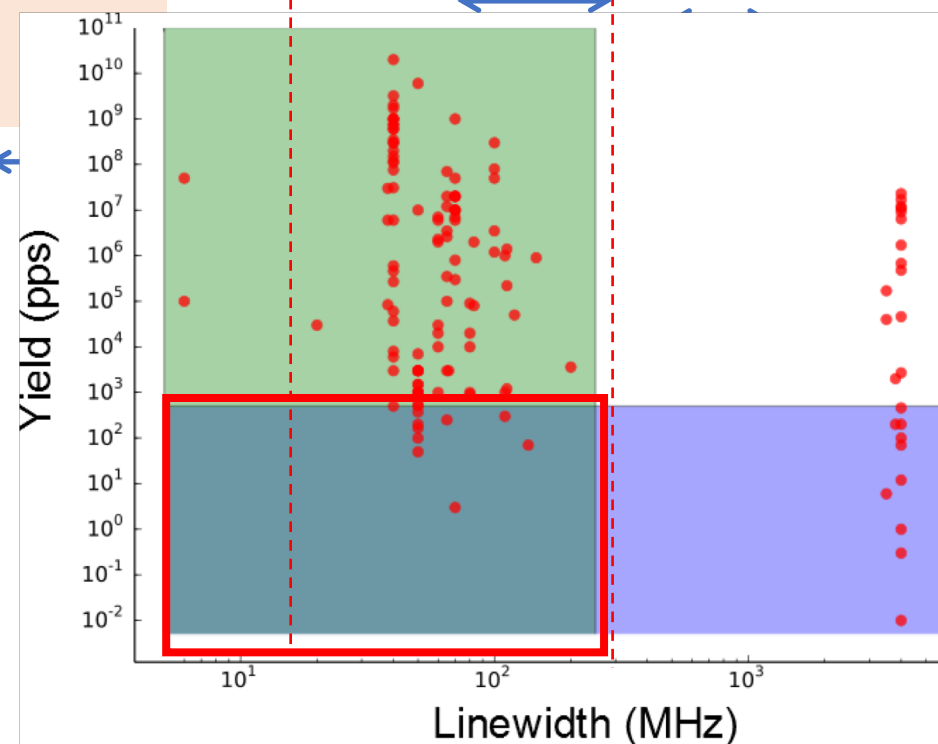
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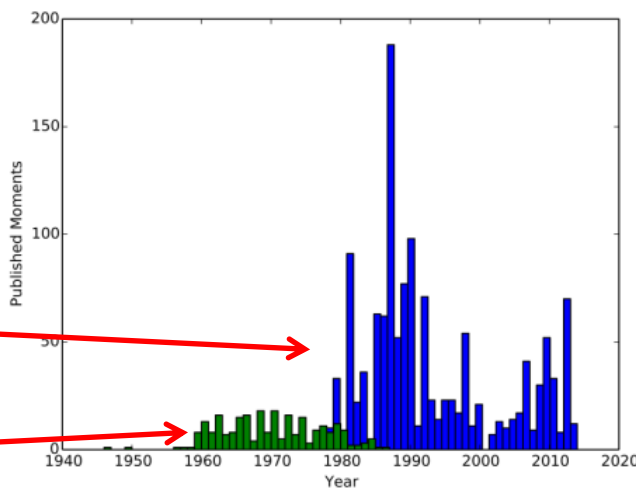
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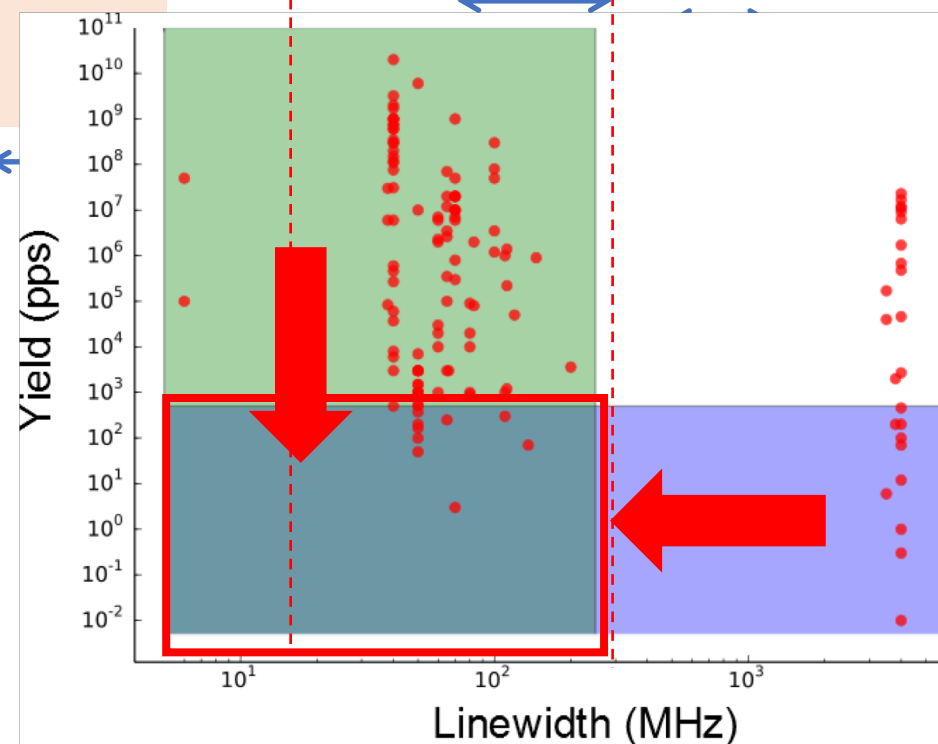
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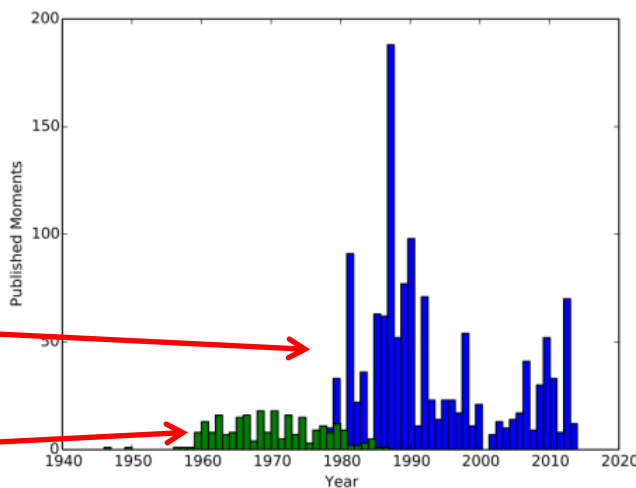
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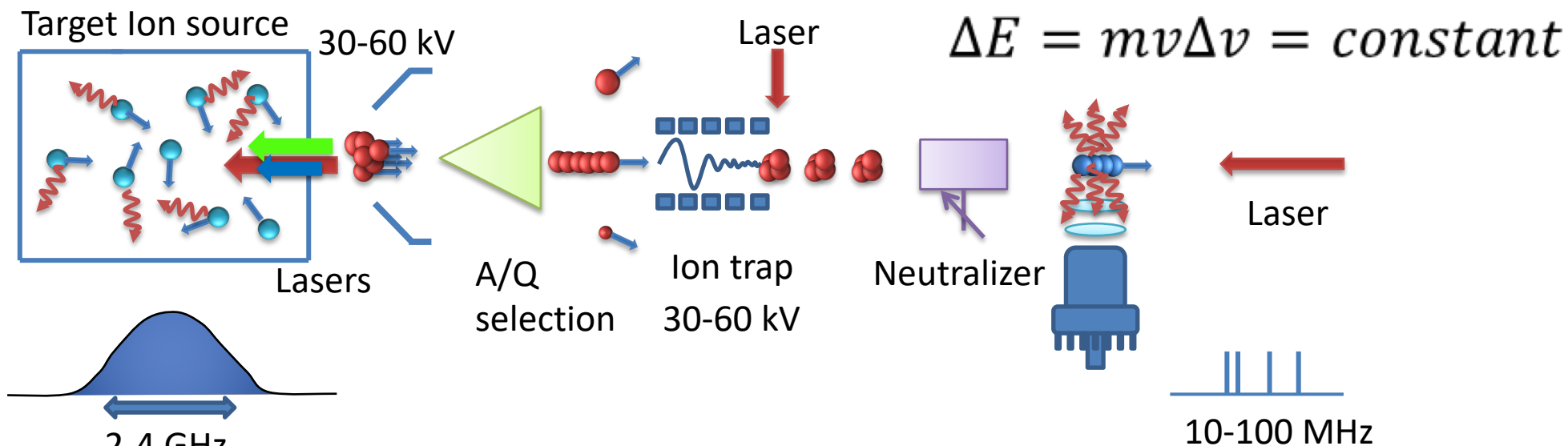
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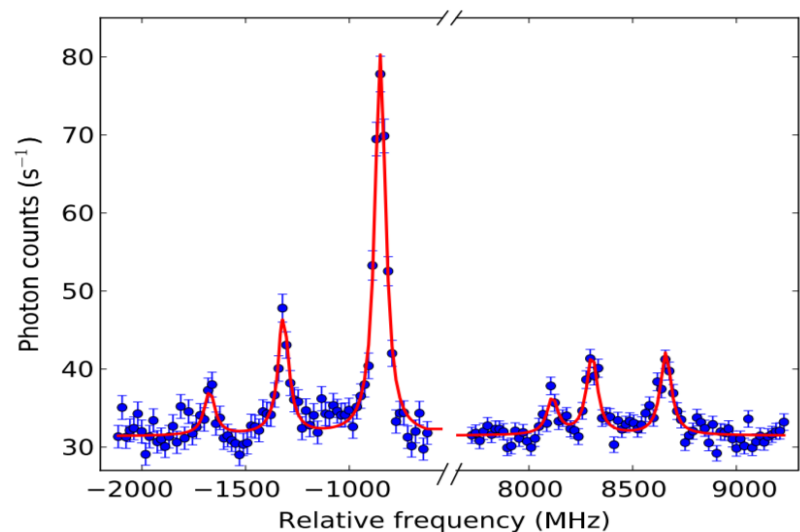
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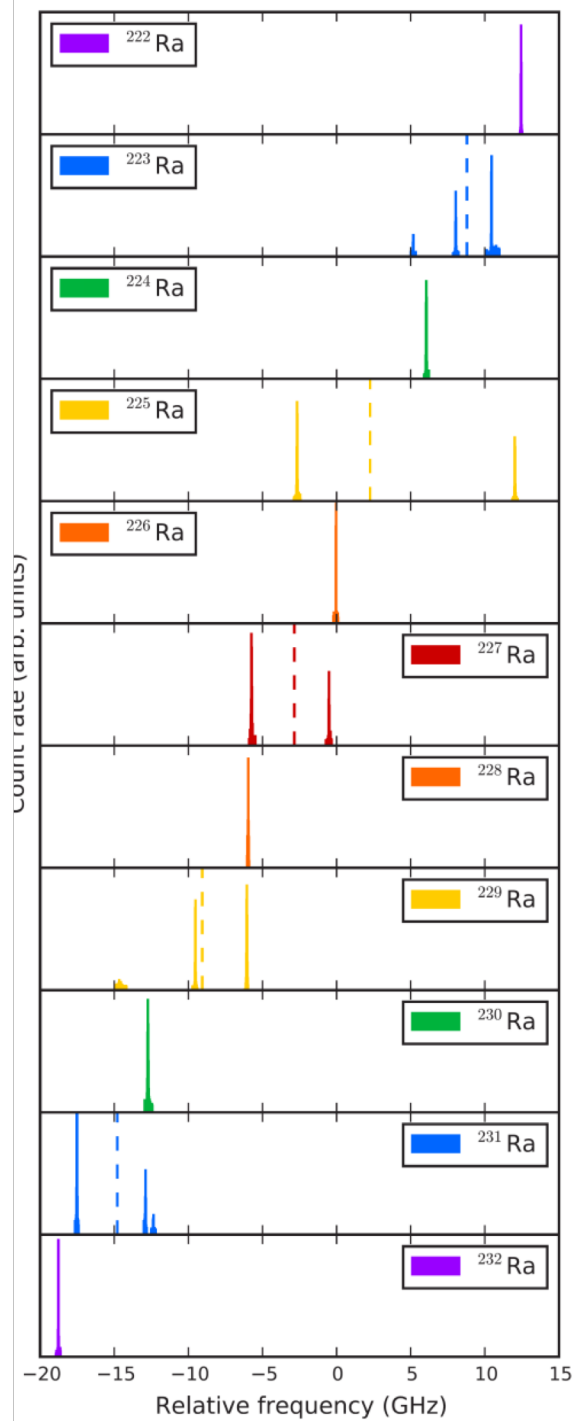
Collinear technique



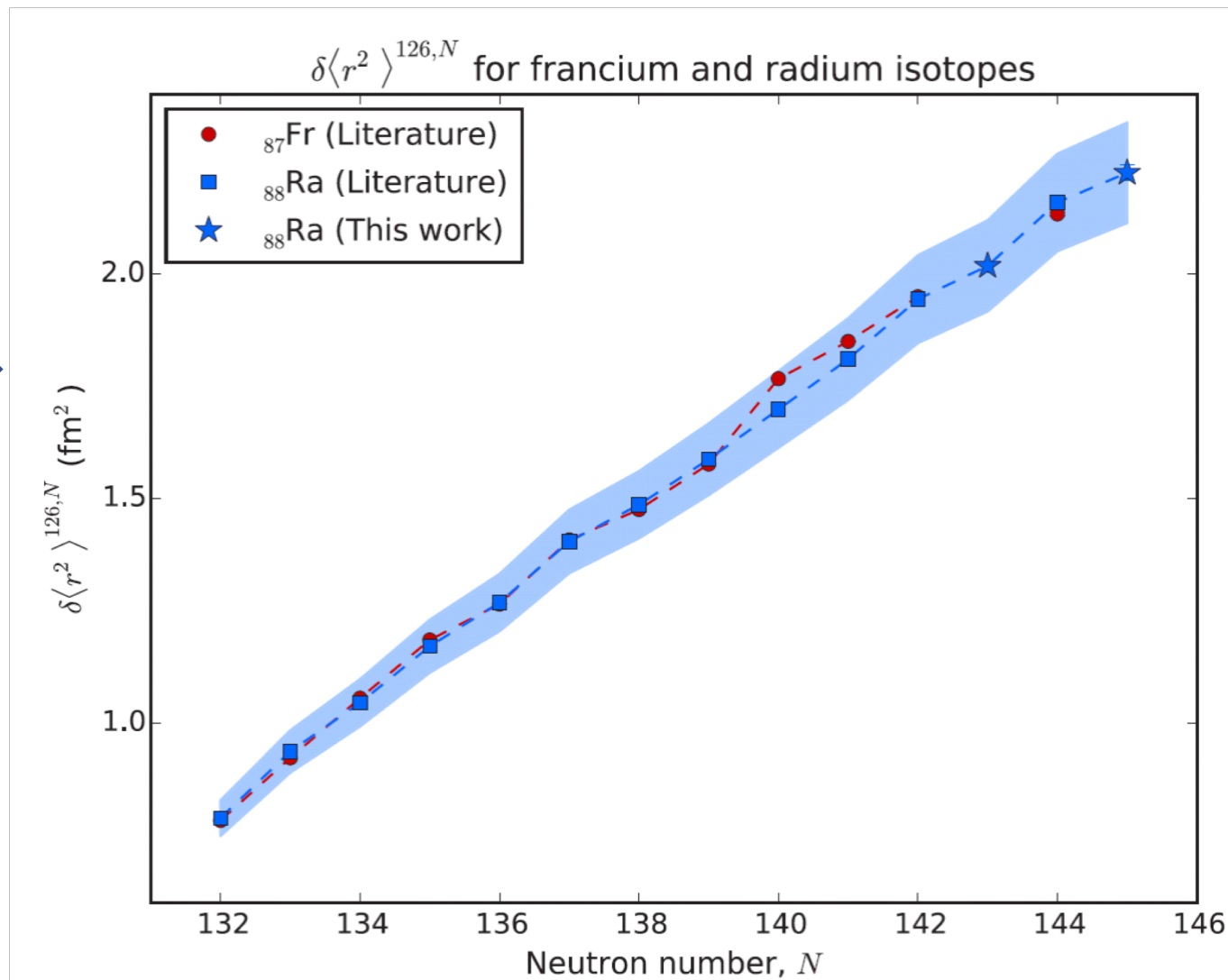
On average lower efficiency ~0.01%



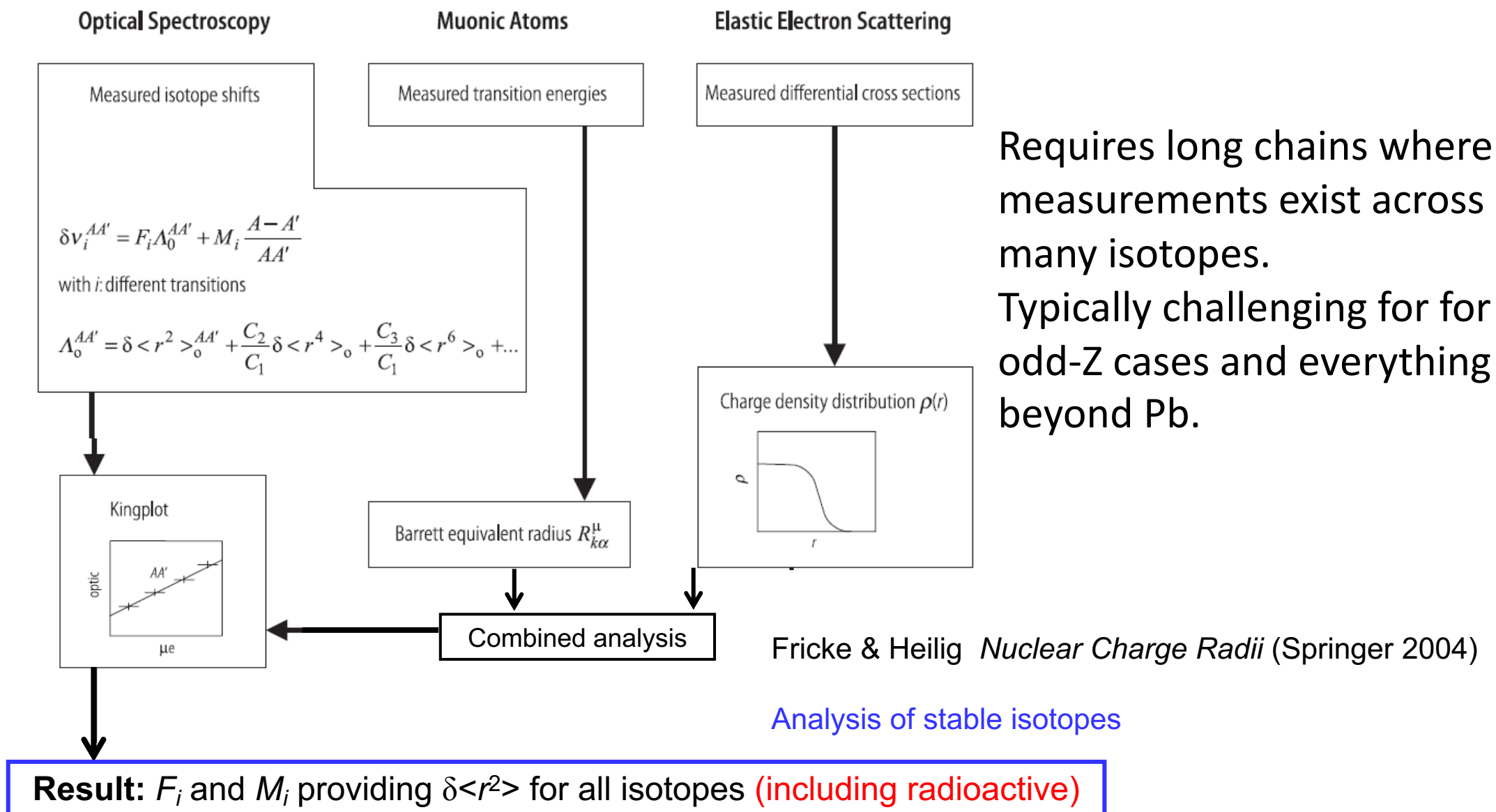
Composition, shape and size of the nuclear wave function, without introducing assumptions from nuclear models.



Charge radii from isotope shift measurements



General Approach

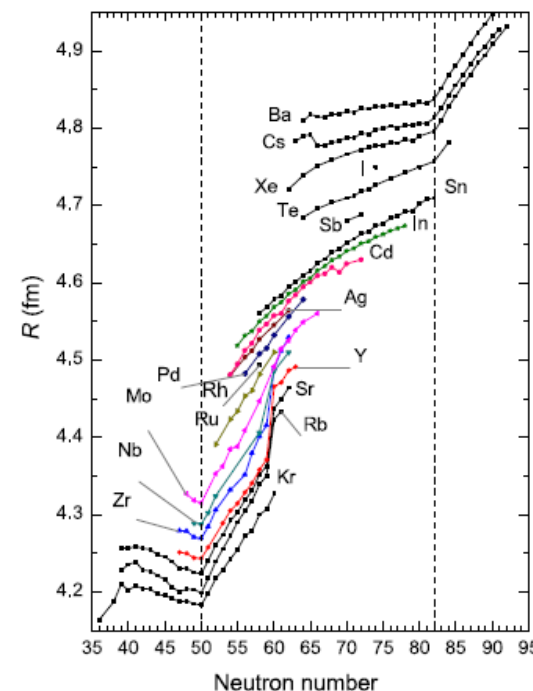
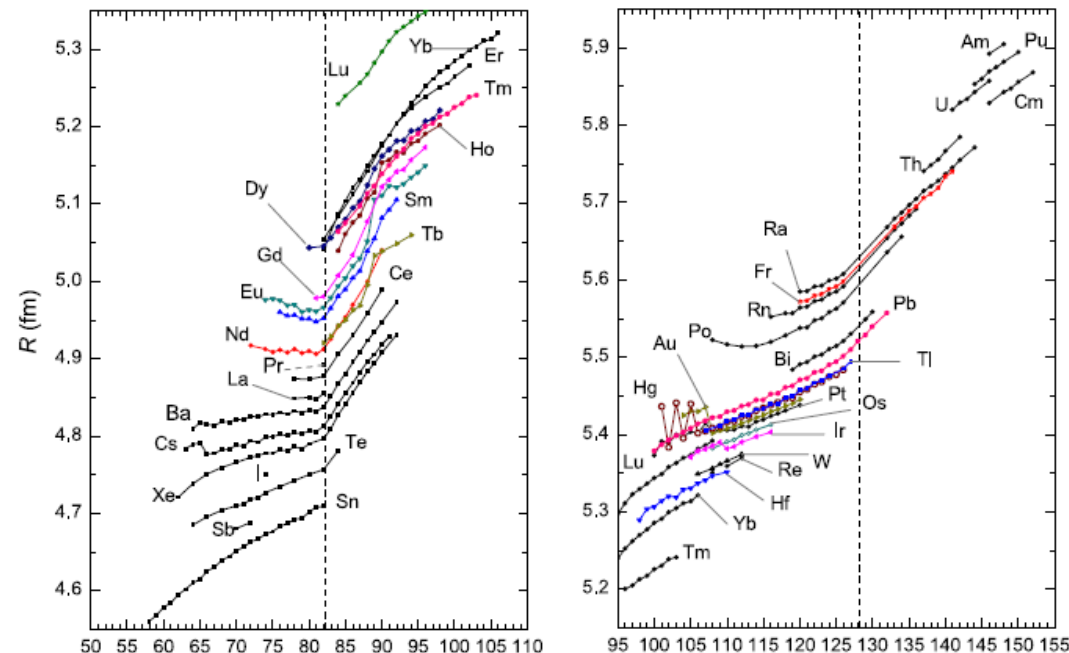


rms nuclear charge radii, *including radioisotopes,* for medium mass and heavy elements

Angeli & Marinova
Atomic Data and Nuclear Data Tables 99 (2013) 69

Features:

- Kinks at closed neutron shells
- Regular odd-even staggering (sometimes reversed due to nuclear structure effects)
- Obvious shape effects (Light Hg, N=60...)
- Radii of isotopes increase at ~half rate of $1.2A^{1/3}$ fermi (neutron rich nuclei develop neutron skin)



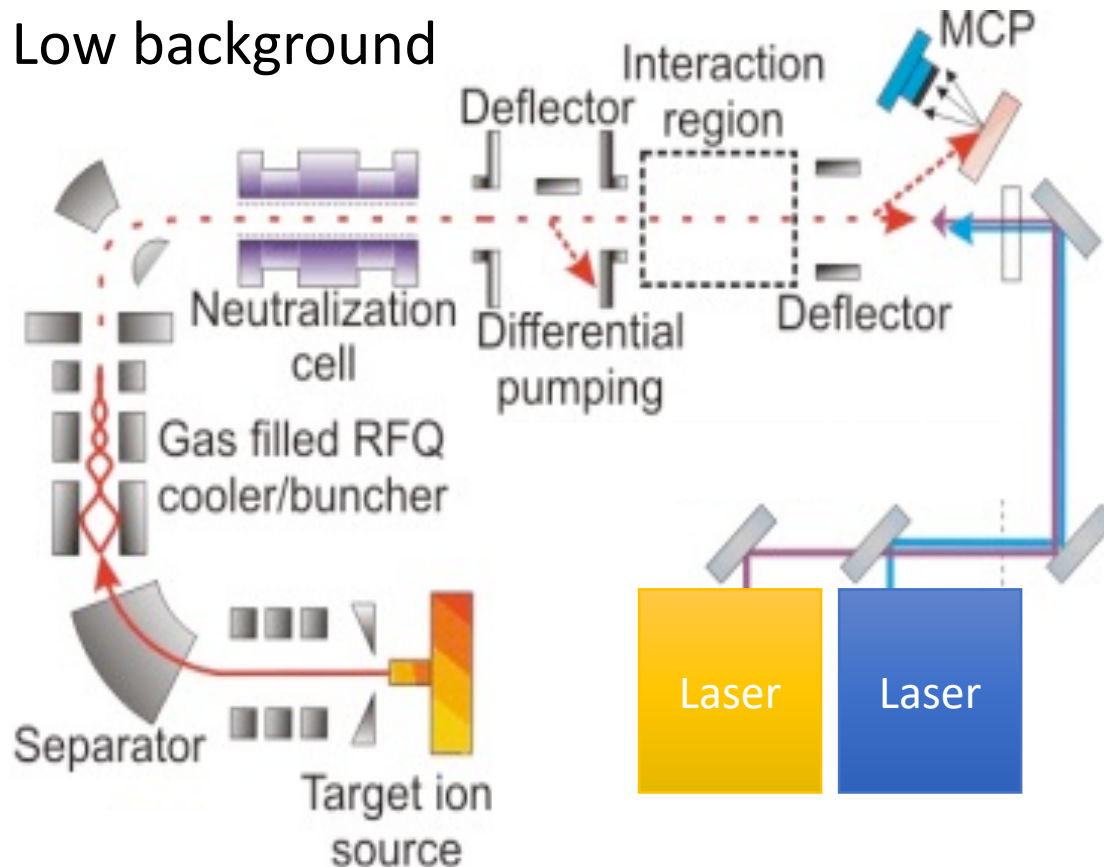
Collinear resonance ionization spectroscopy

- 1982: Outline of method proposed by Yu. A. Kudriavtsev and V. S. Letokhov, *Appl. Phys.* **B29** 219 (1982)

Proposed

(V.S. Letokhov et al, Zinal D7, 1984)

- High resolution,
- High efficiency
- Low background



CRIS@ISOLDE

(R. de Groote et al. PRL 115 (13), 132501 (2015))

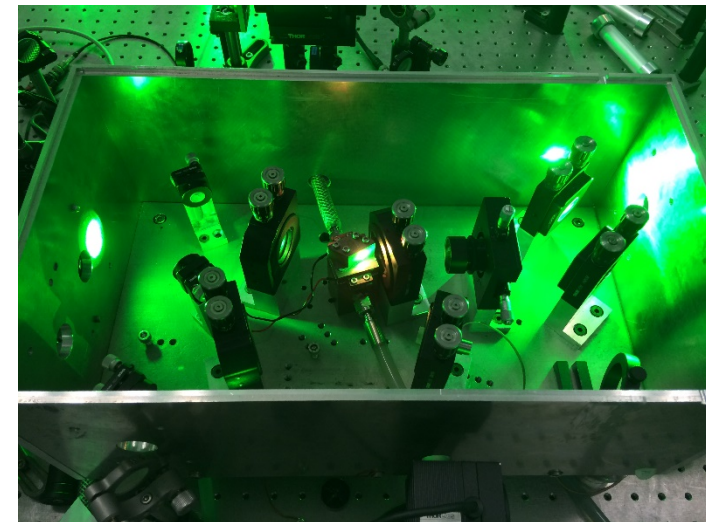
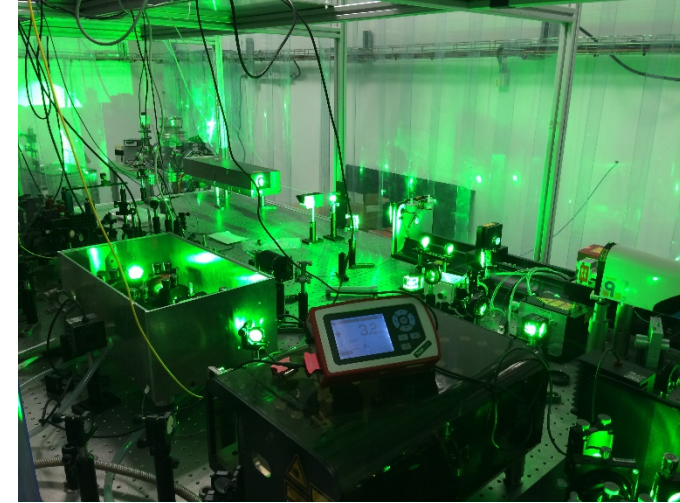
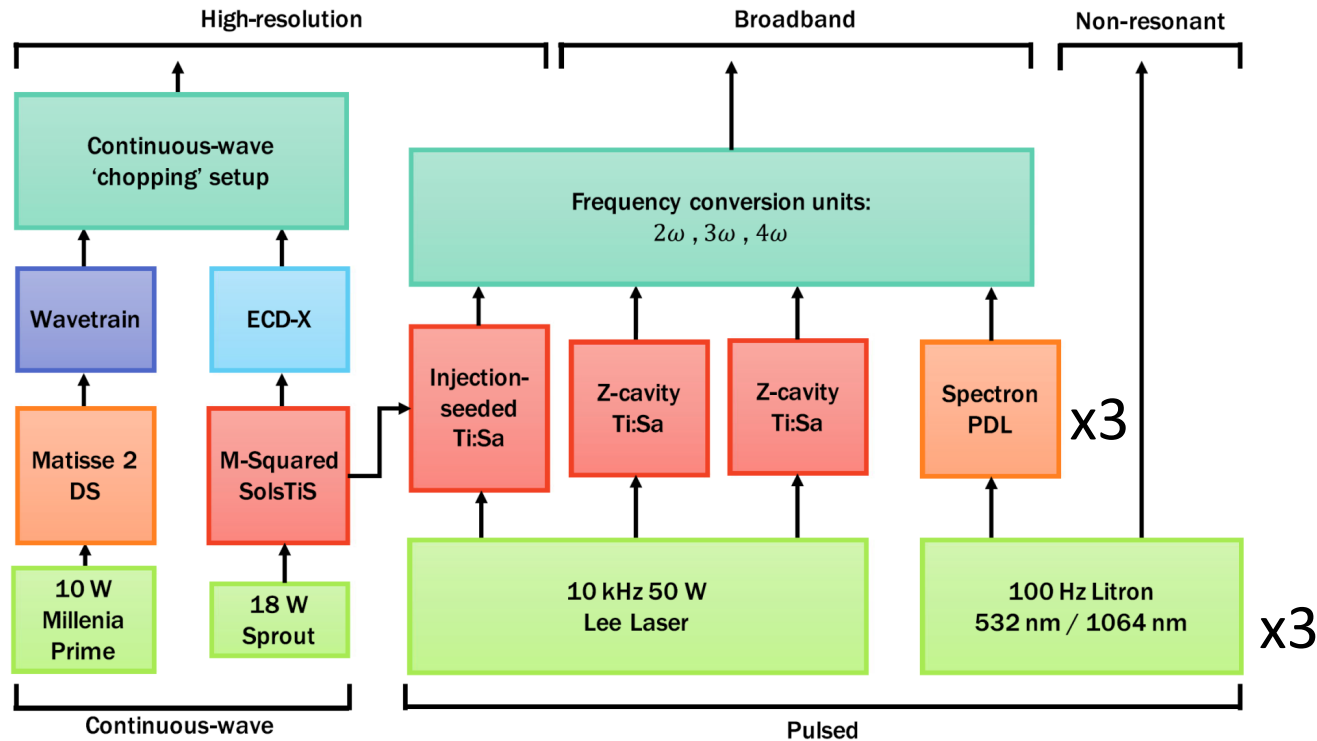
- Linewidth: 15-50 MHz
- Relatively high efficiency: 1%
- Low background: 0.001 cps

Extend measurements to new regions of the nuclear chart.

Measure states that were previously obscured.

CRIS Laser system (defence in depth)

- Variety of laser schemes, wavelengths requires a versatile system.
- Total 16 lasers (plus one on order)
- Typical experiments use 50% of the system

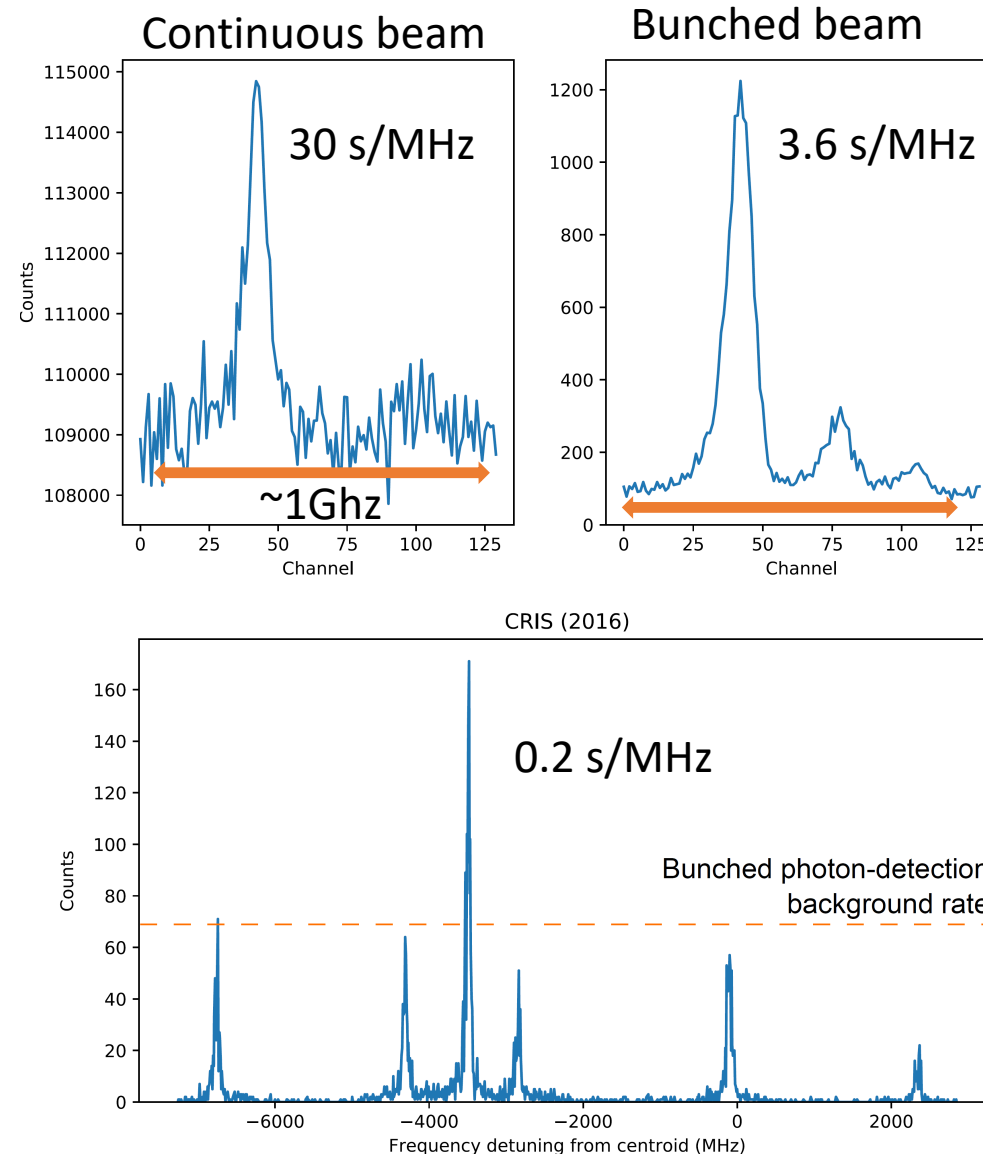


Comparison of CRIS and fluorescence detection

2007: A continuous beam it is just possible to measure ^{72}Cu in 24hrs
Background 3500 cps

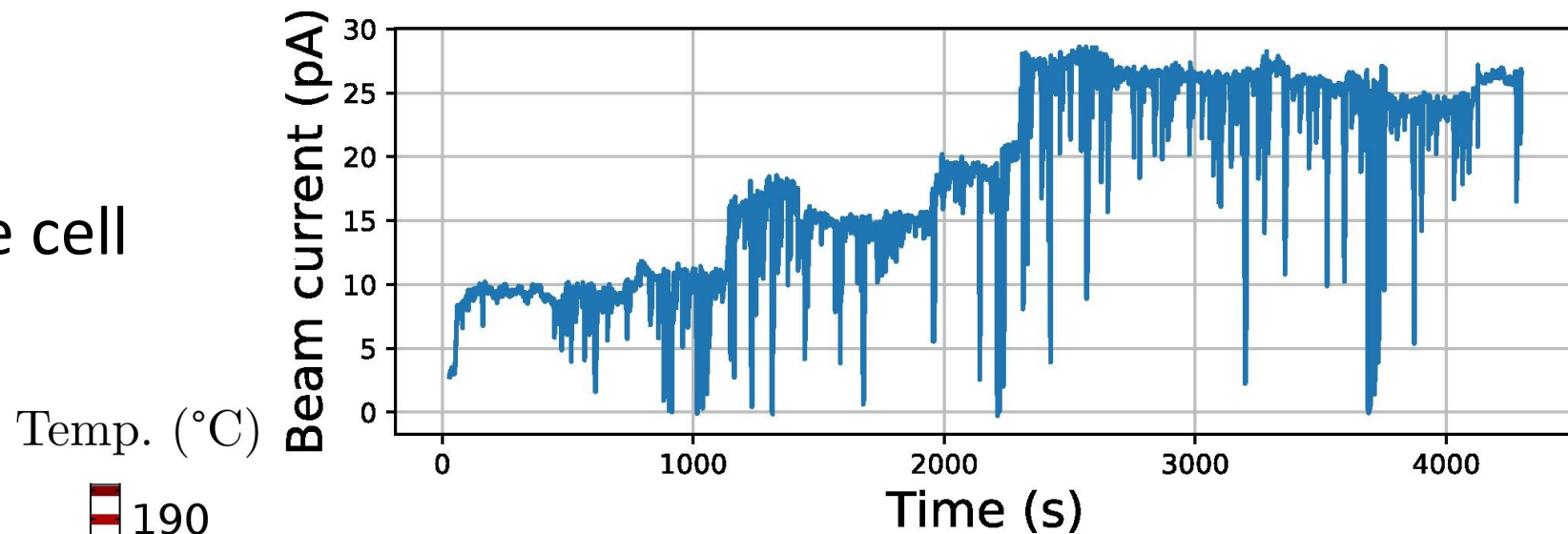
2008: Cooler buncher allows same measurement to be performed in 2 hours
Background 30 cps

2016: CRIS (different transition) 42 mins
Background 10^{-2} - 10^{-3} cps

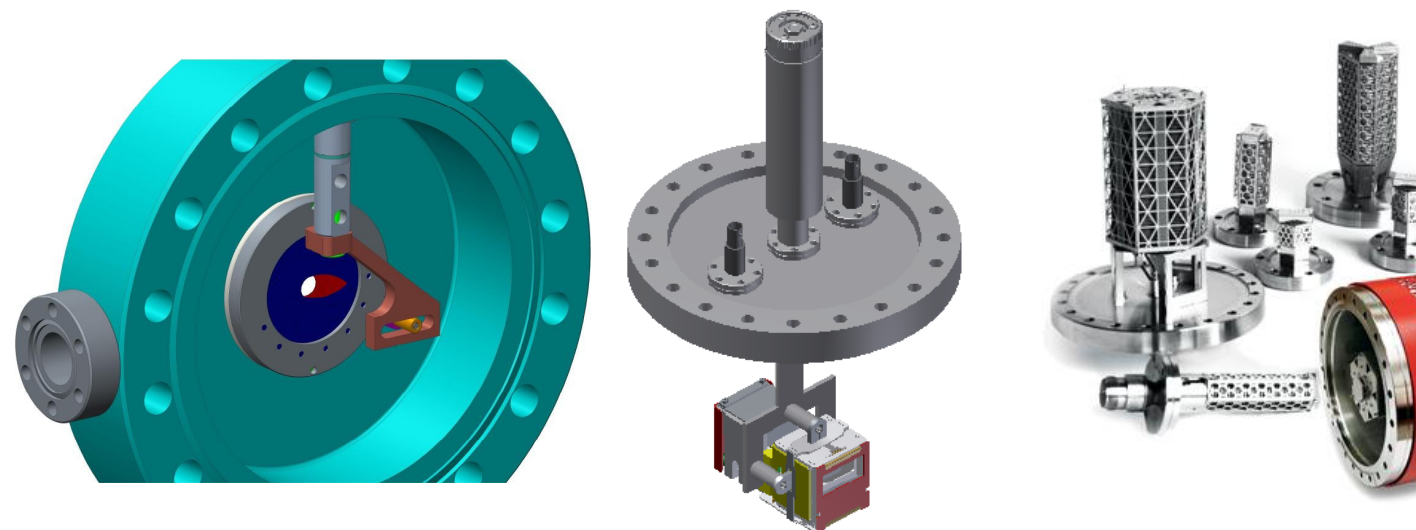
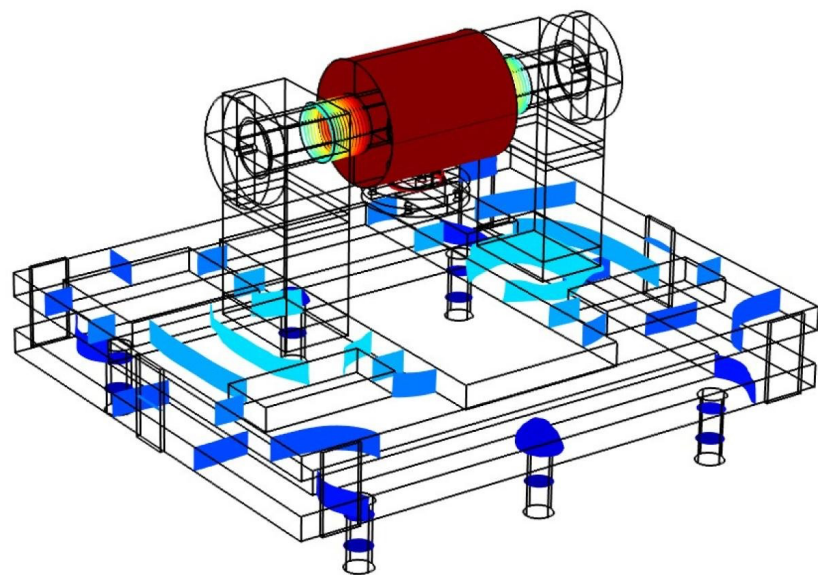
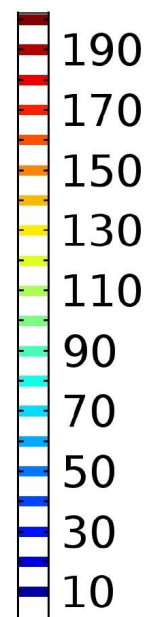


Modifications at CRIS 2017/2018

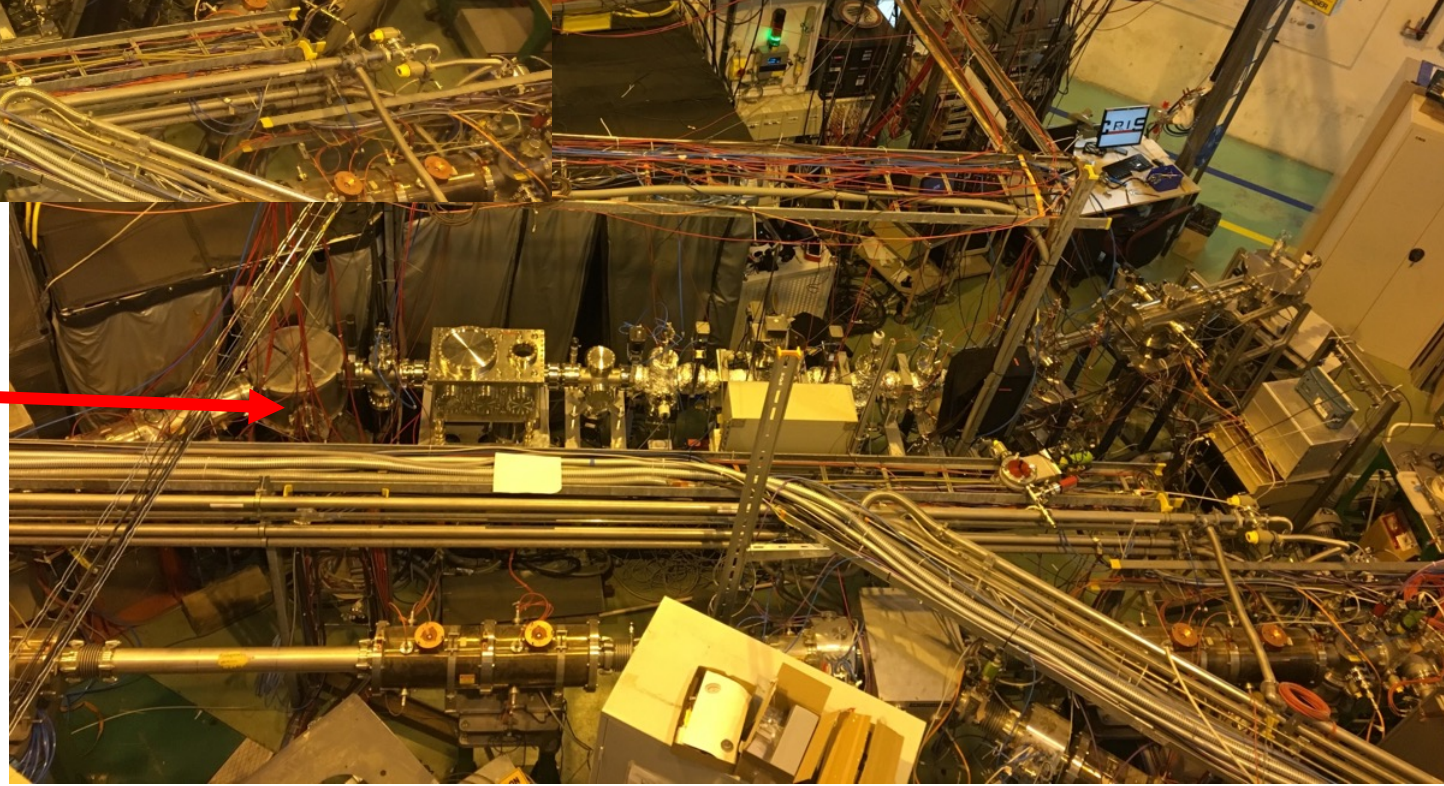
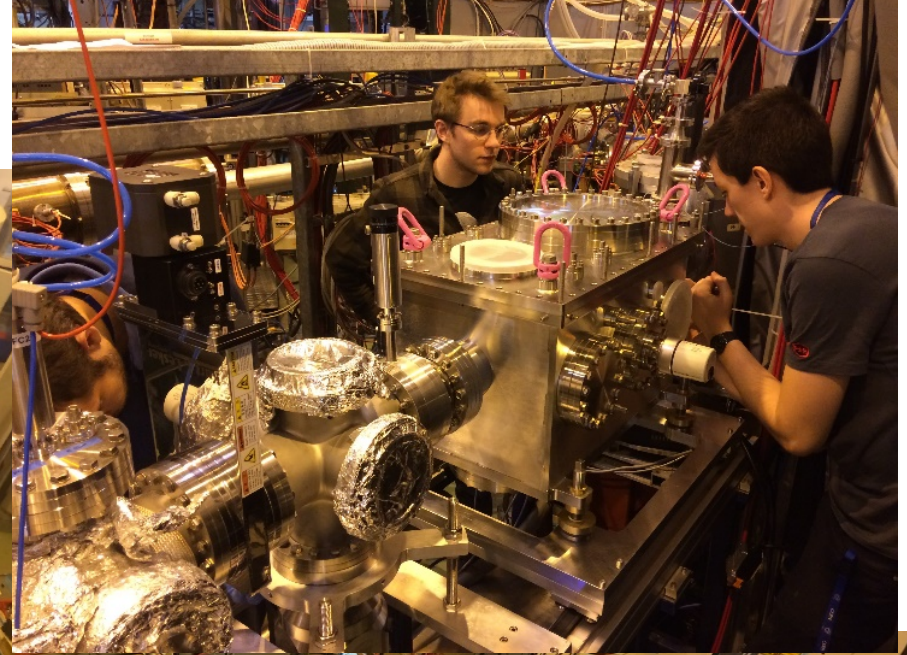
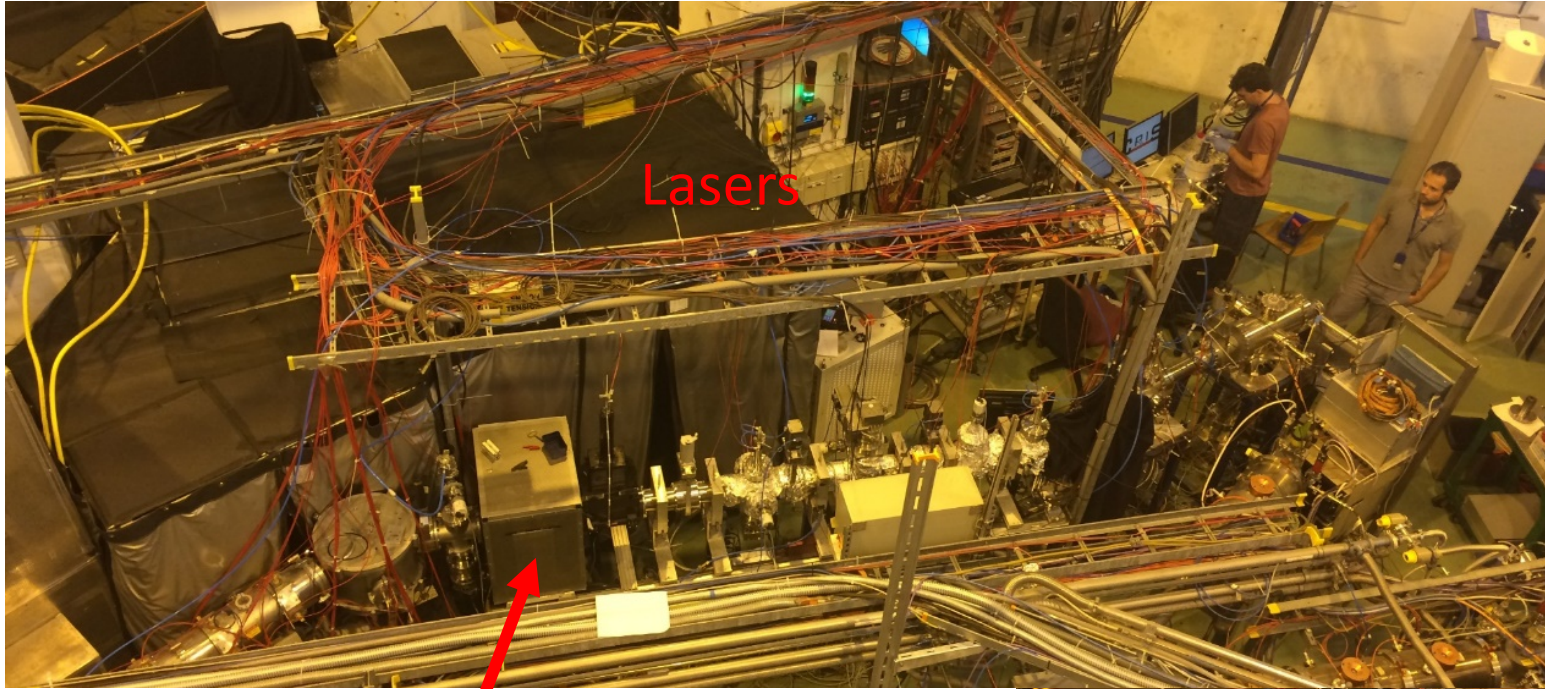
- Auto tuning
- New Charge exchange cell
- Beam alignment



Temp. ($^{\circ}\text{C}$)



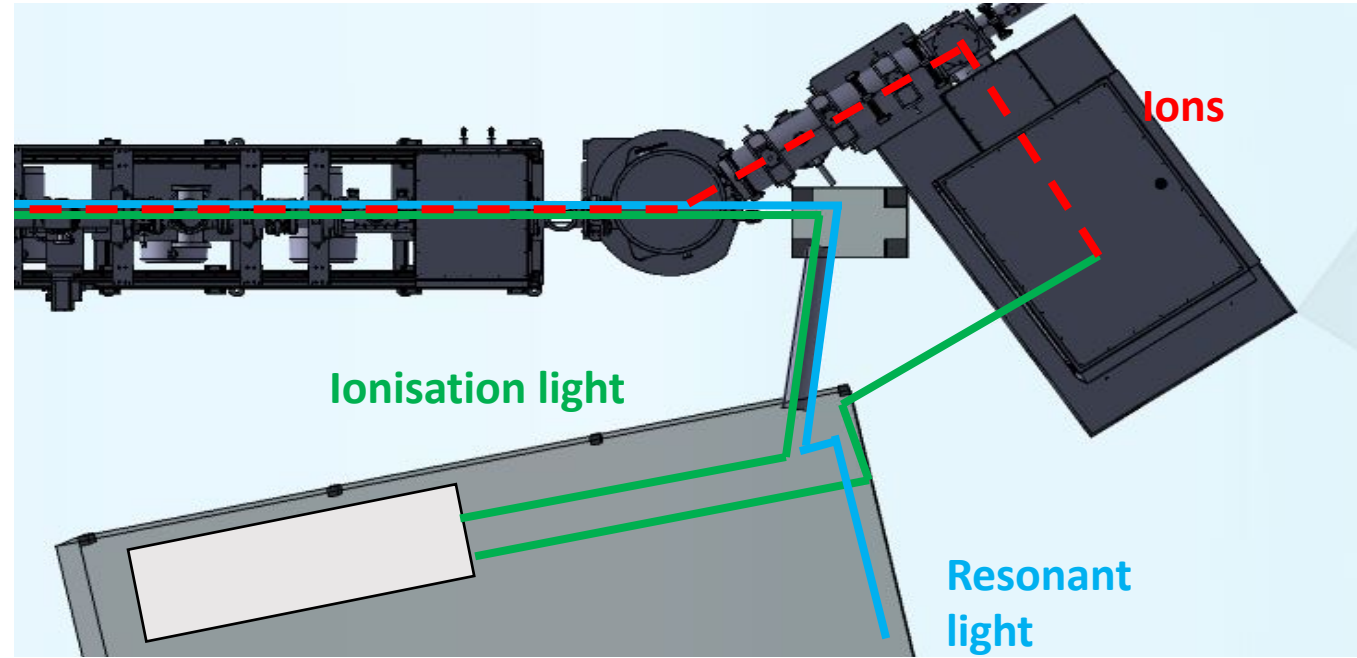
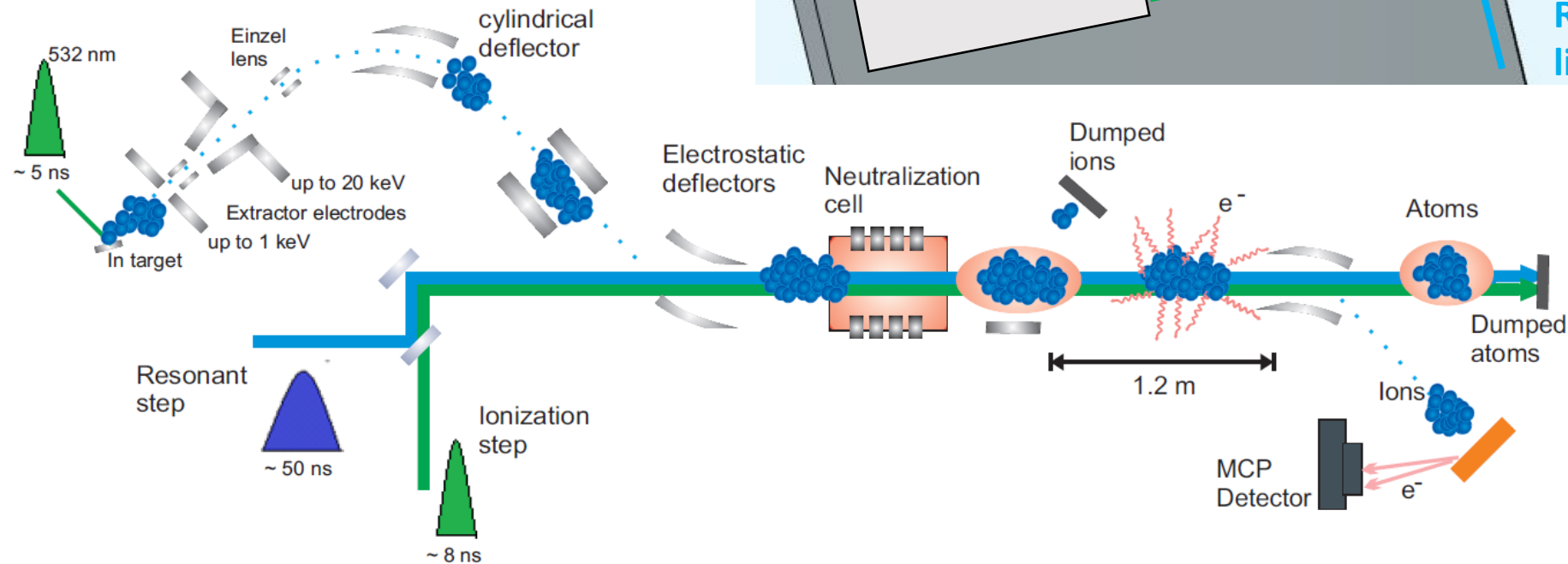
Recent changes



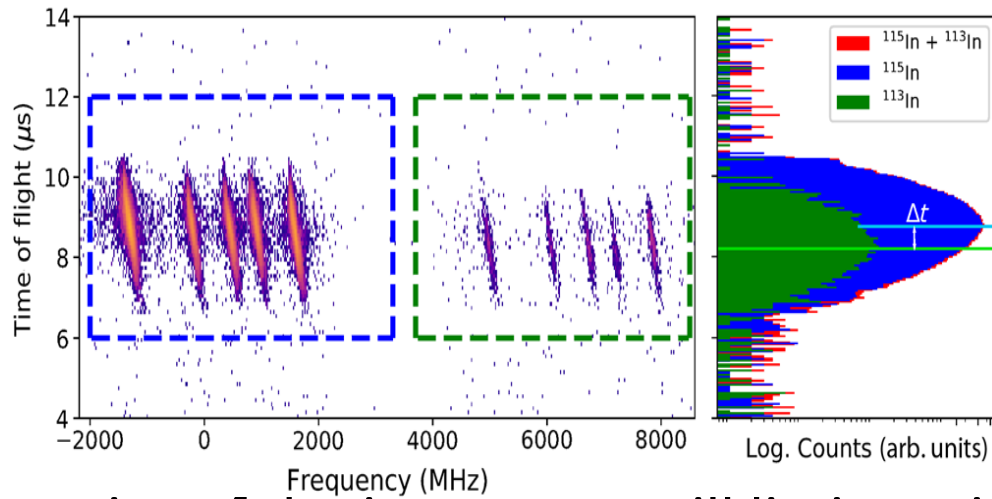
Charge exchange and two stage differential pumping.
NEG pump, better particle detectors \rightarrow x20 improvement in pressure to $1.3\text{e-}10$ mbar.

Ablation ion source

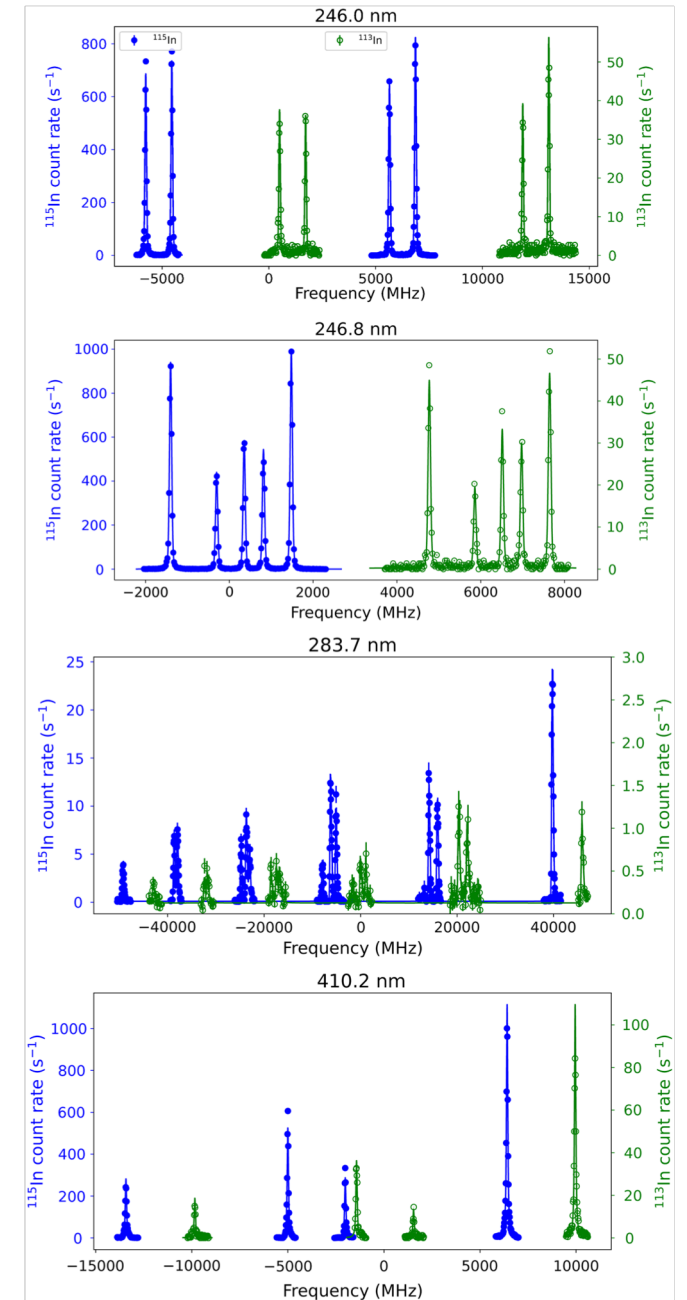
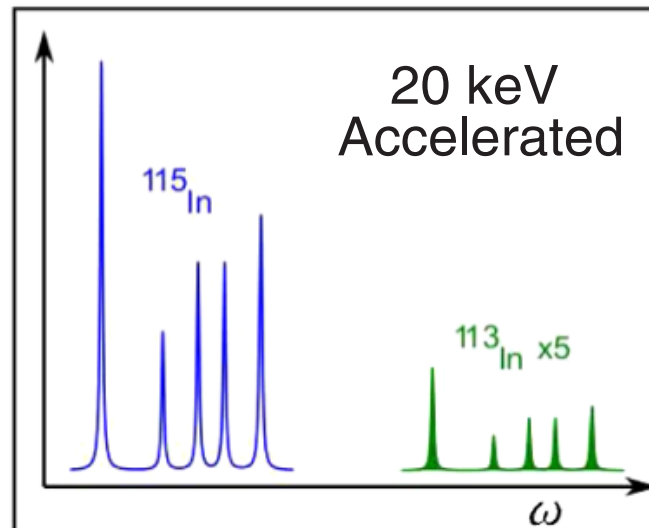
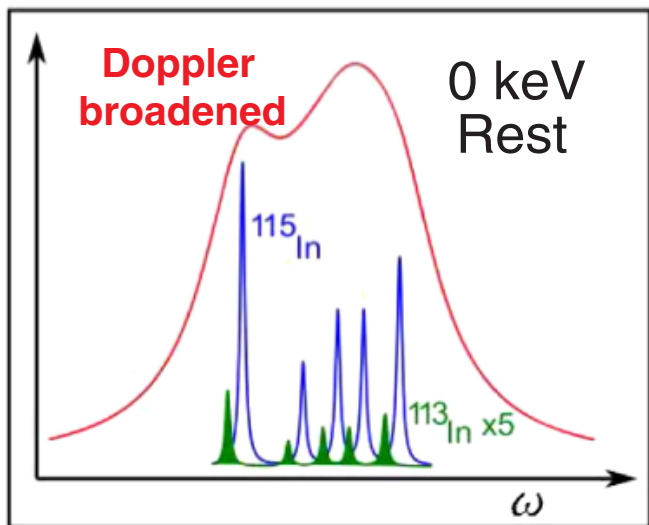
- Use 532-nm laser light to create a pulsed ion source
- Perform CRIS on these pulses



RIS scheme development

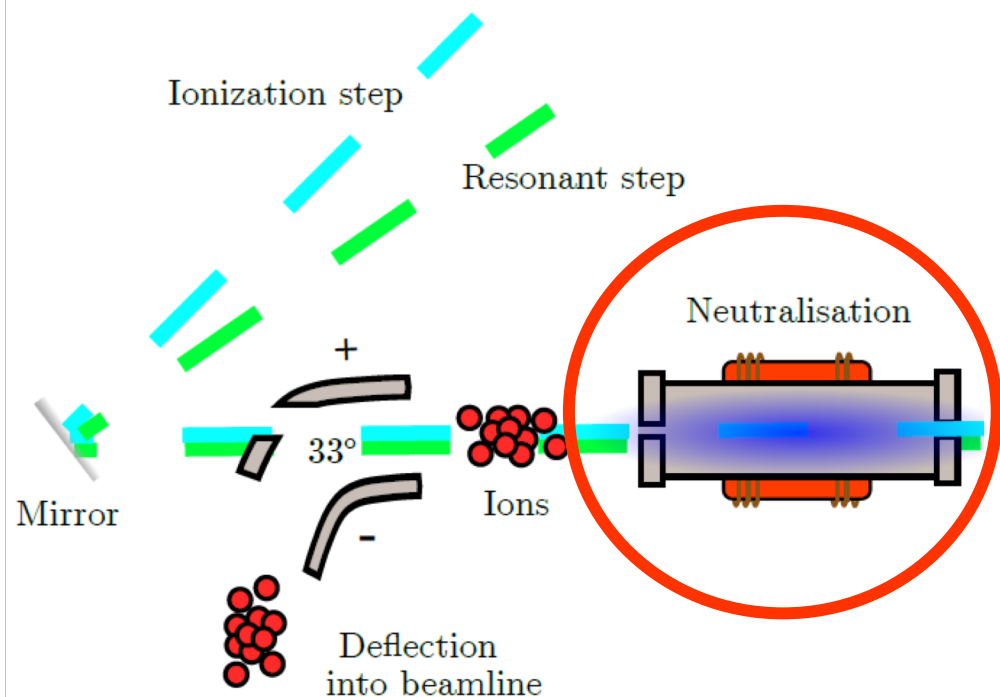


- Properties of the ion source will limit purity of the beam
- CRIS method enhances selectivity through kinematic shift



Charge exchange

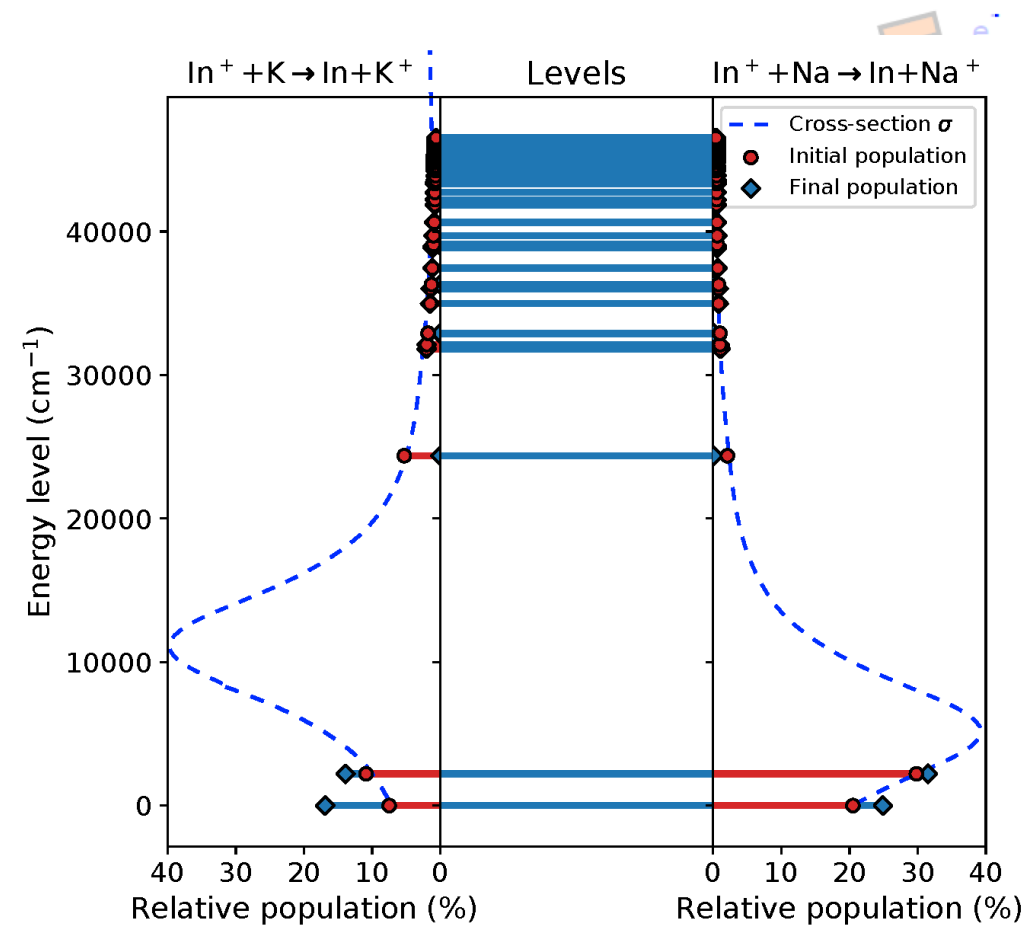
- Reliable predictions of the neutralization process are critical
- Ni atomic system studied at NSCL
- We extended this using NIST data tables



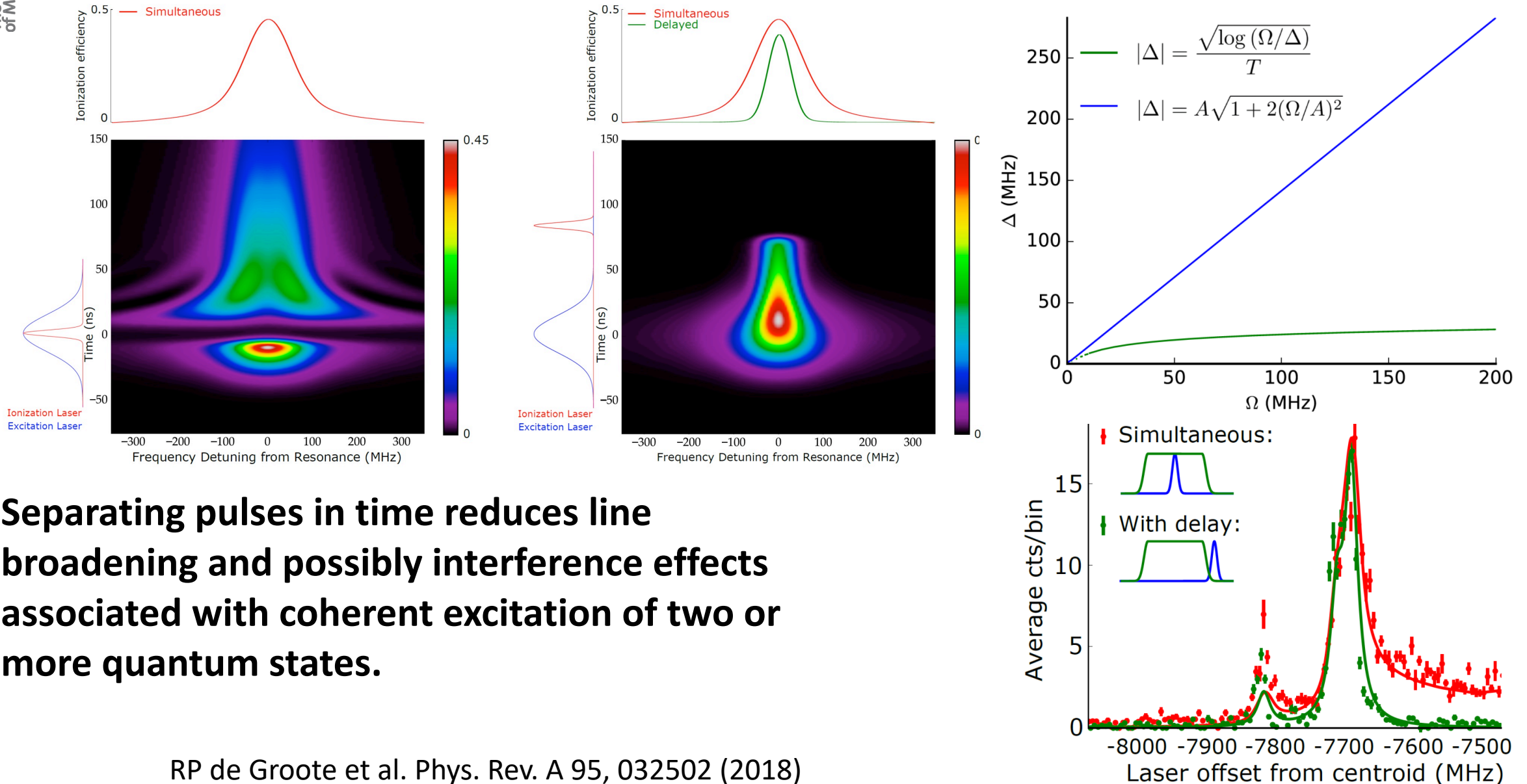
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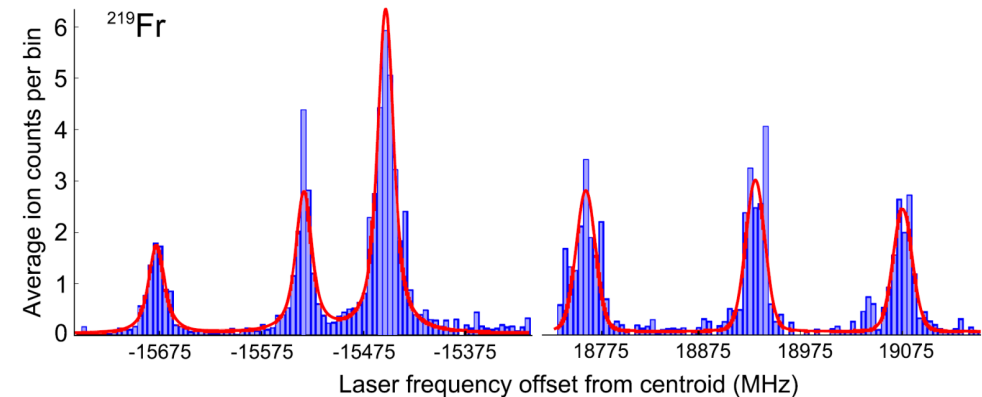
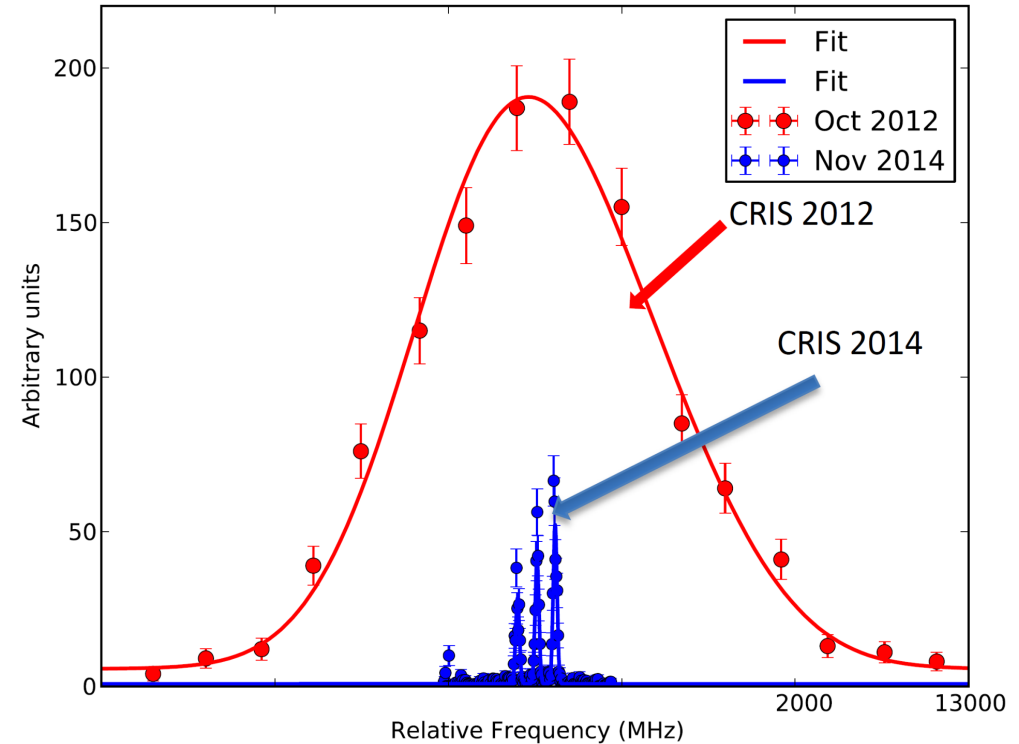
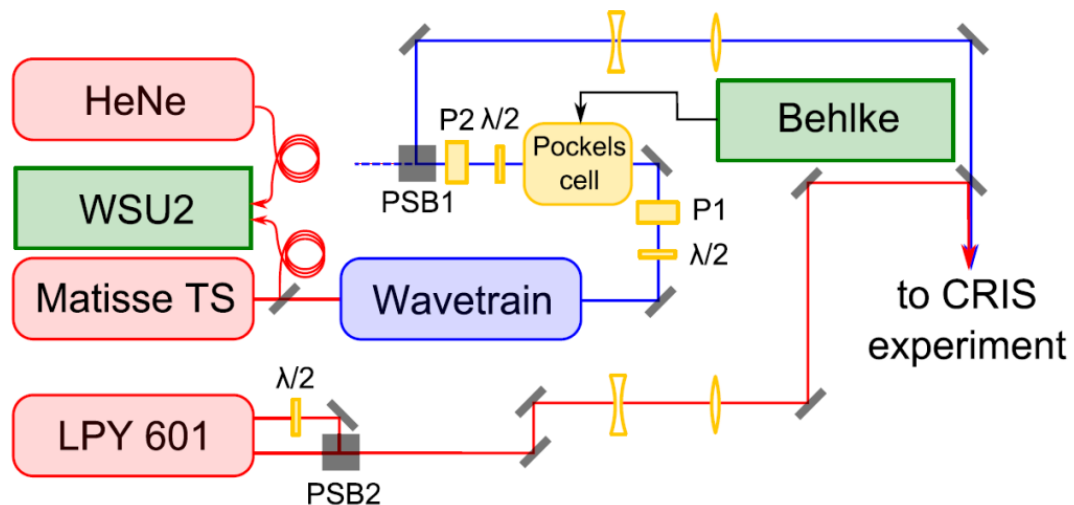
Higher resolution and precision



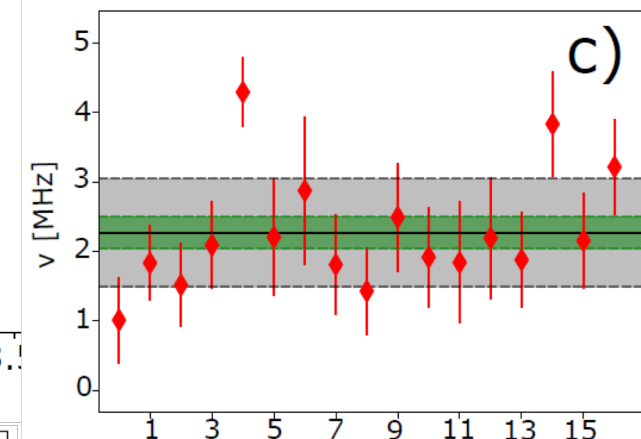
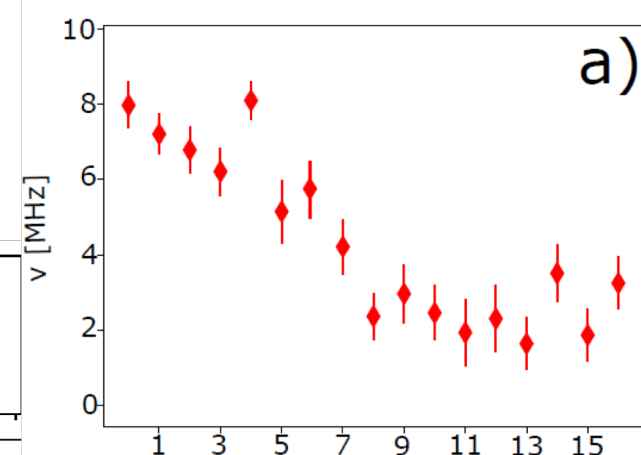
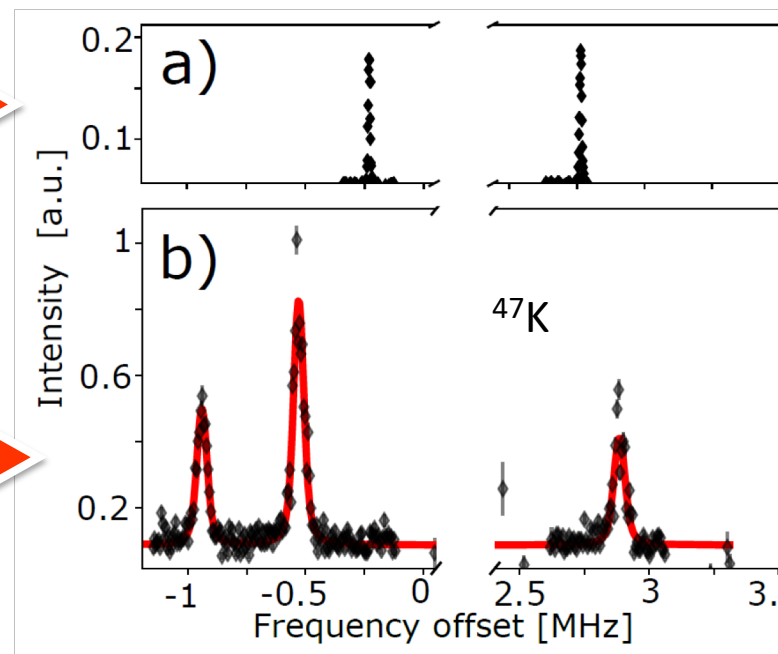
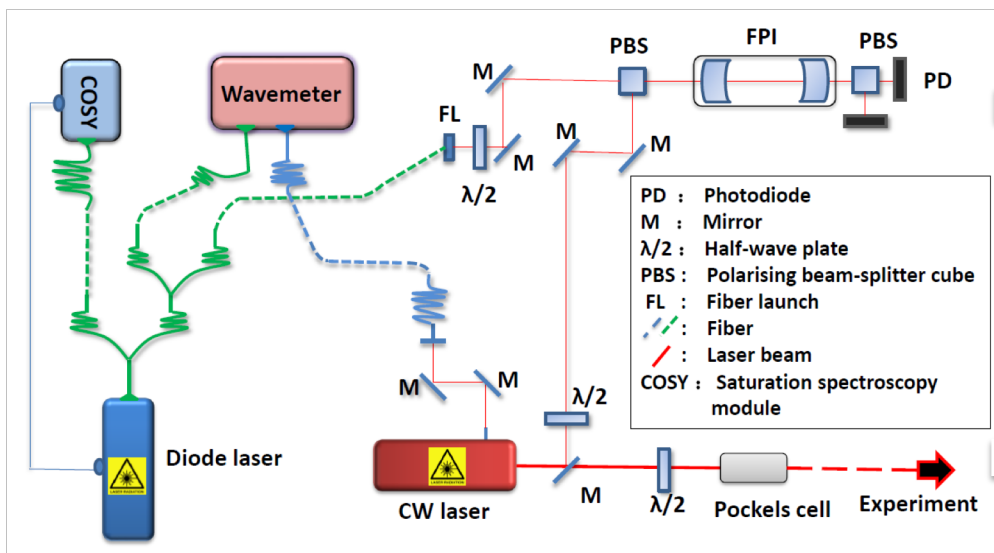
Separating pulses in time reduces line broadening and possibly interference effects associated with coherent excitation of two or more quantum states.

High resolution

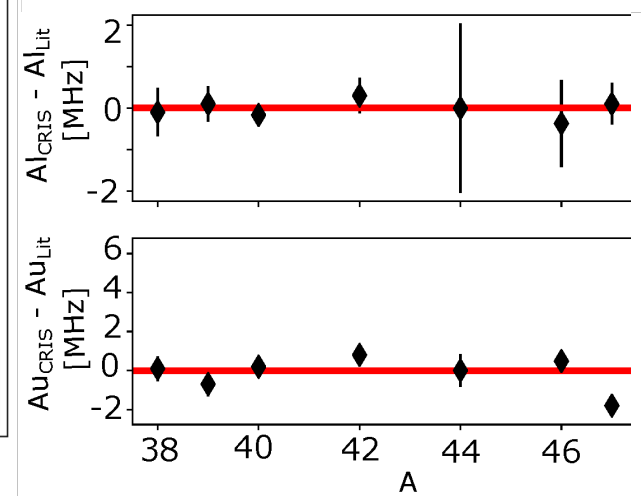
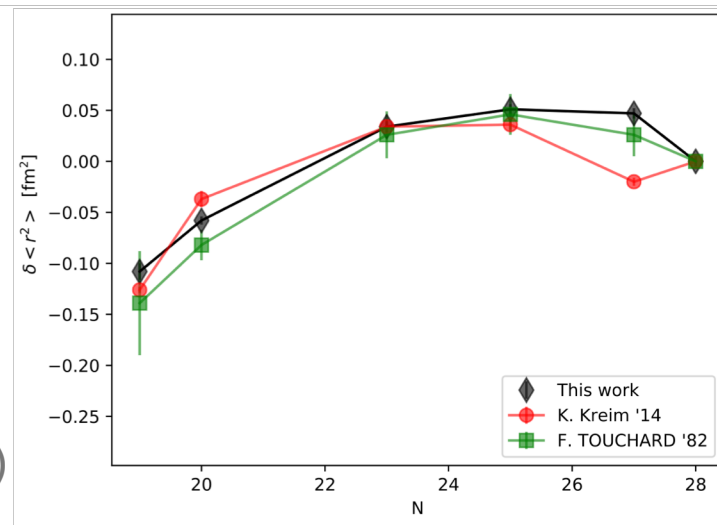
- First experiments used a 1.5 GHz laser system.
- New method of chopped CW laser spectroscopy: 20(1) MHz linewidth.
- Same rate on ^{219}Fr in narrow linewidth mode.



Precision and accuracy

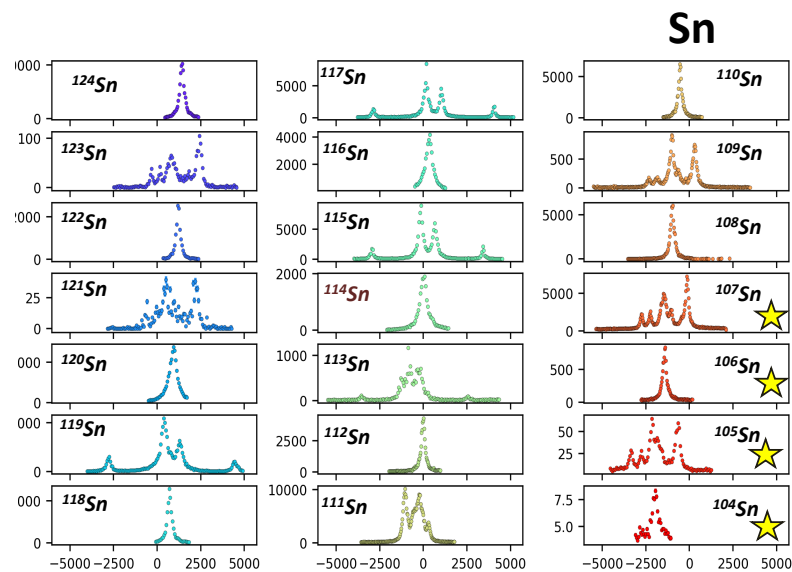
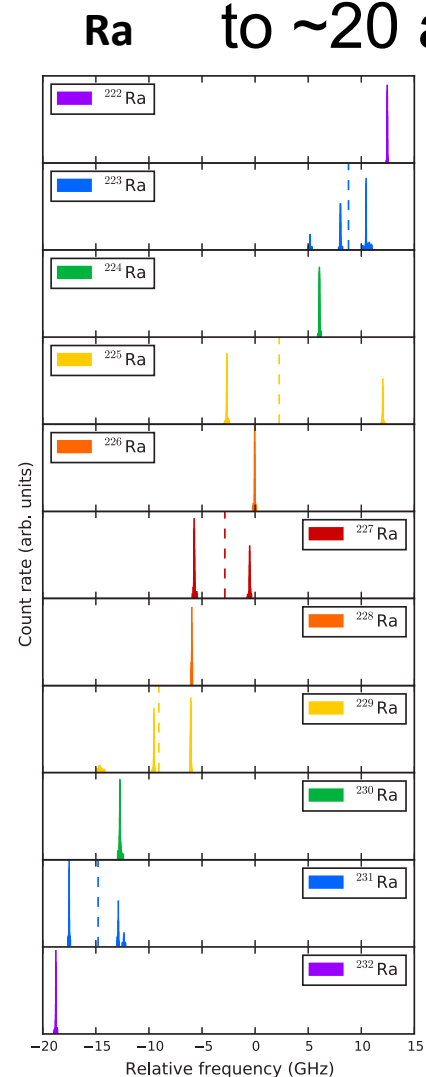


- Precision of the frequency measurement
 - $\sigma = 0.77$ MHz
- Consistency of hyperfine parameters
 - In good agreement with literature

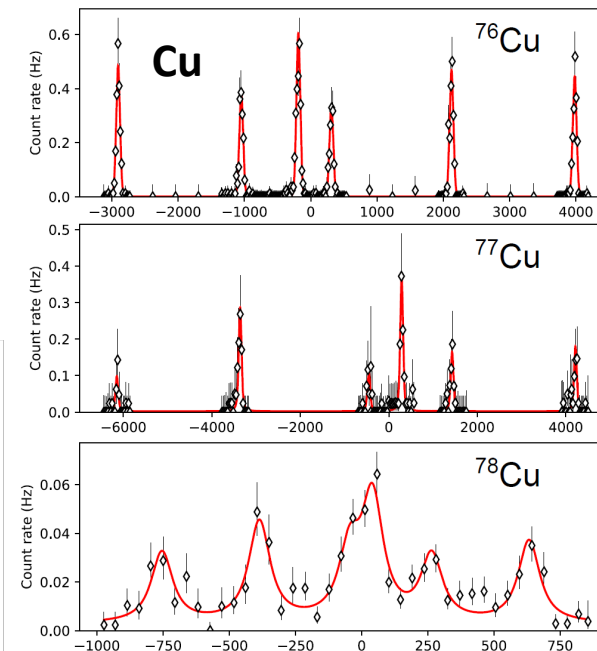
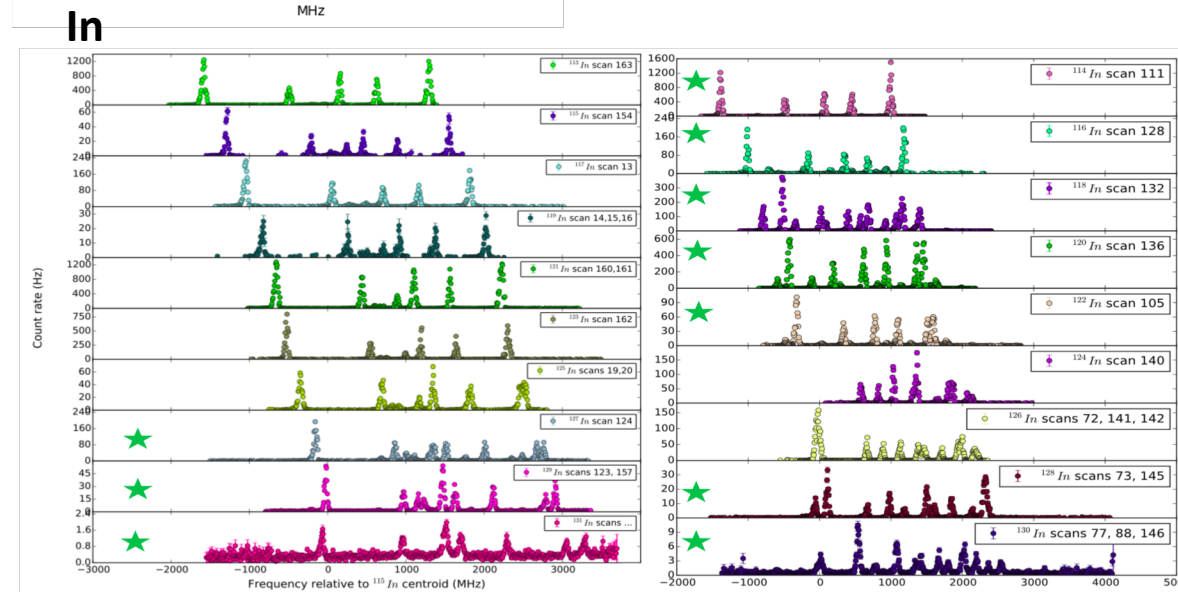
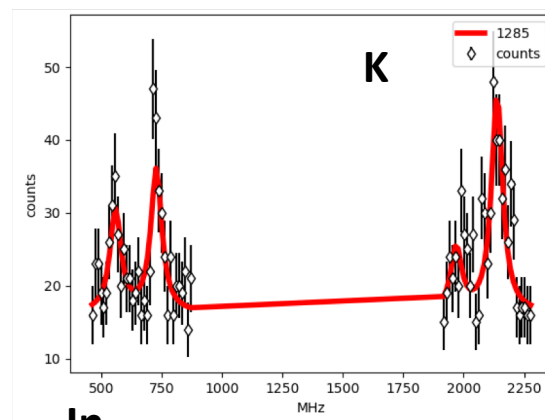


2014-2018

- Recent: last 4 years
- Measurements made on production rates down to ~20 atoms/second



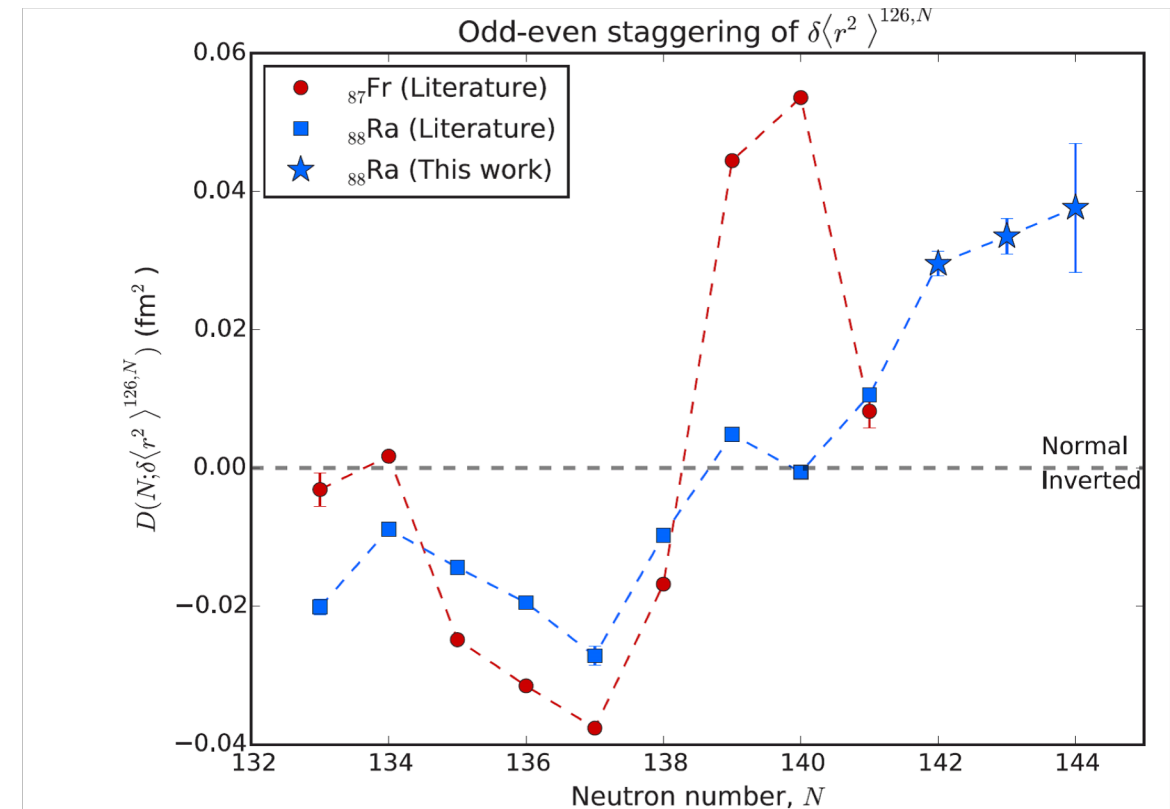
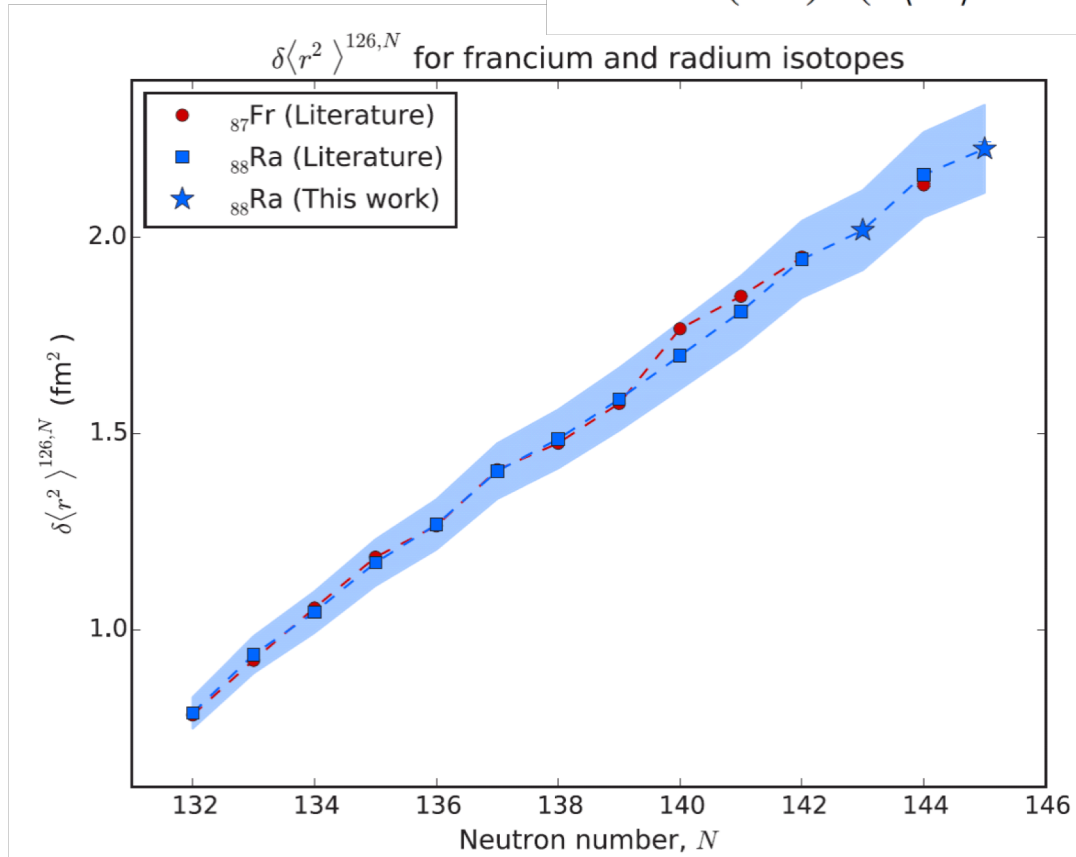
Over 90 radioactive isotopes studied (K, Sc, Cu, Ga, In, Sn, Fr, Ra)



Odd even staggering within region of reflection asymmetry



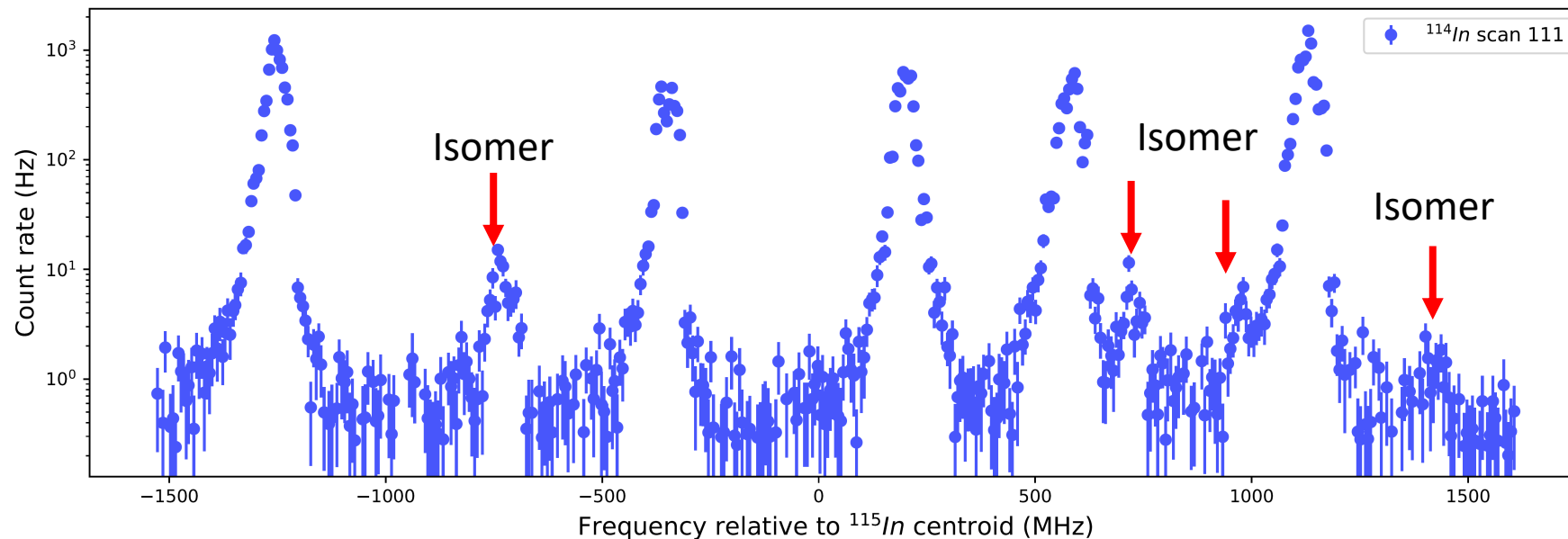
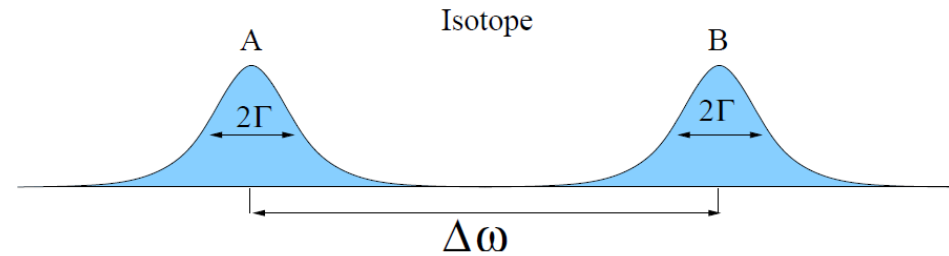
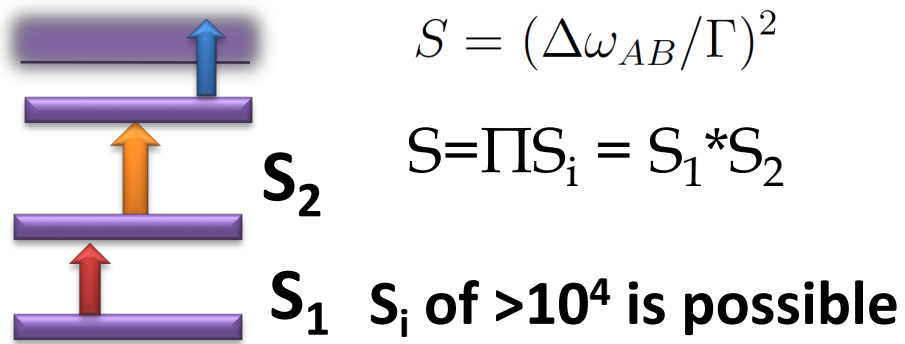
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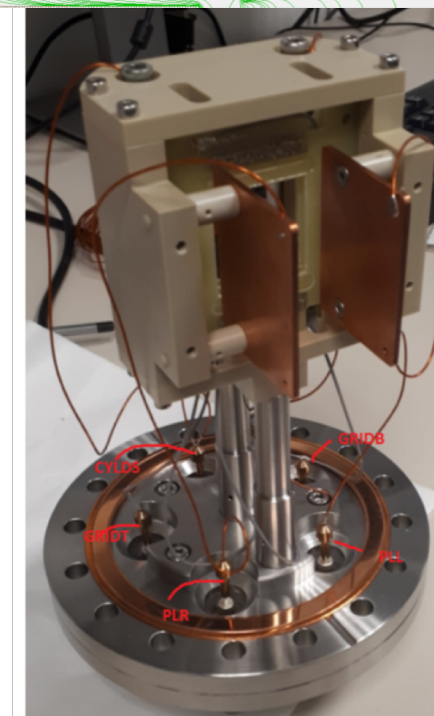
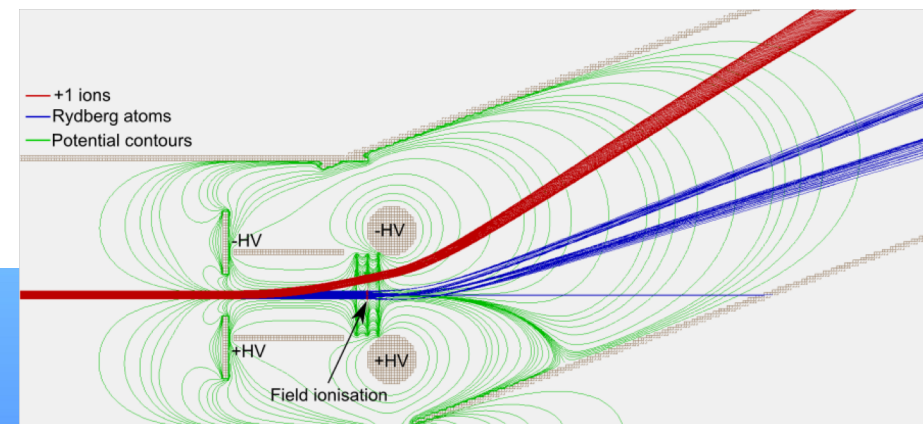
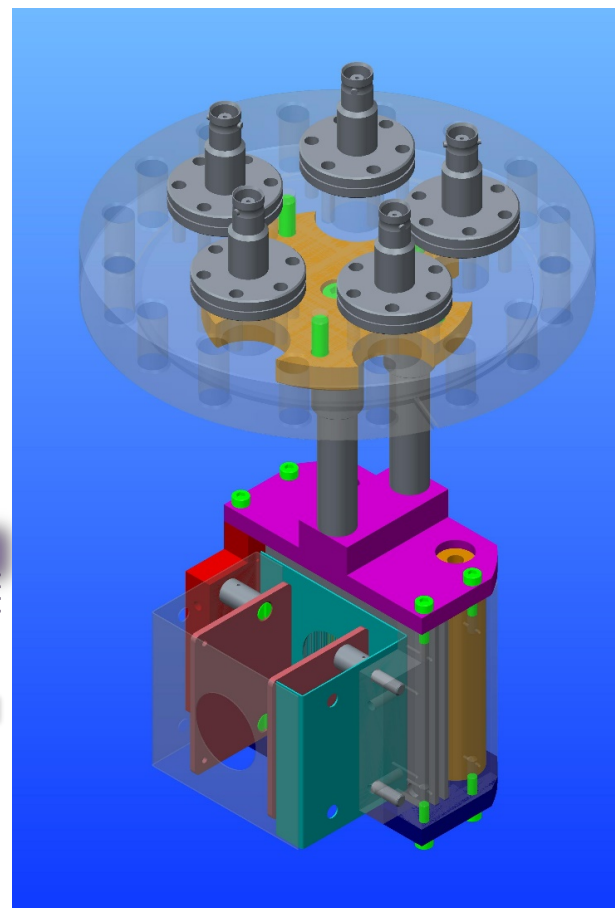
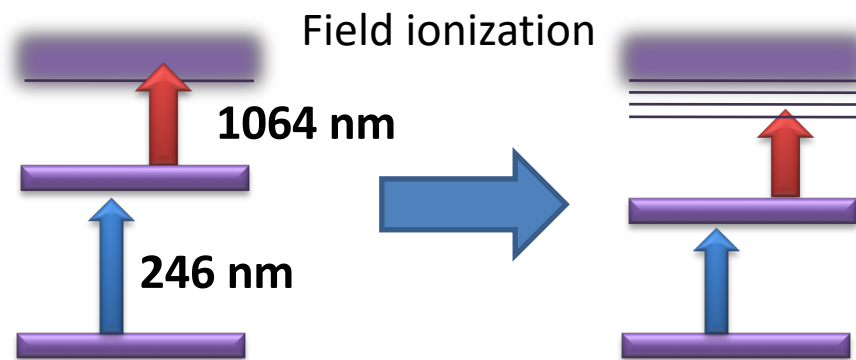
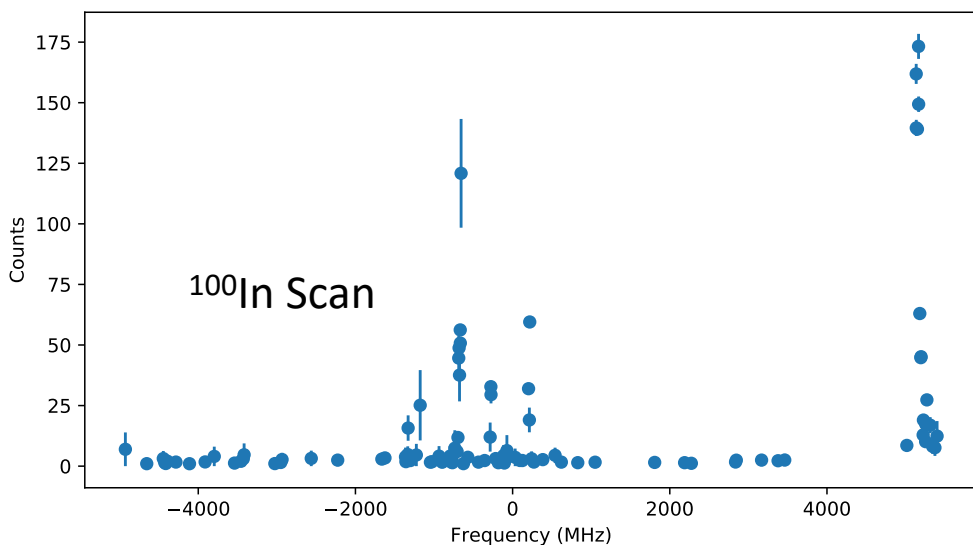
Previously missed isomeric state in ^{114}In

- One of the most difficult sources of “contamination” is the nuclear ground state which can be produced at rates 100s of times greater than isomeric states.
- Multistep RIS offers far higher selectivity than is possible from a mass spectrometry



Limits of the photoionization

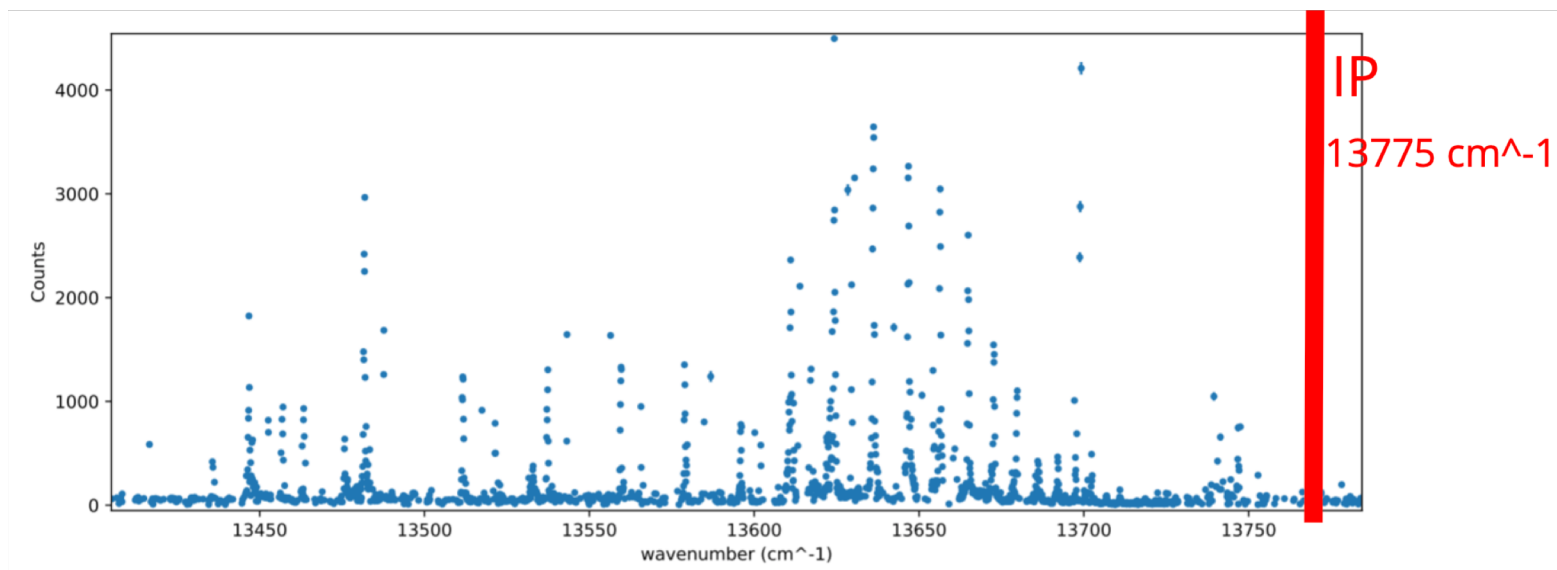
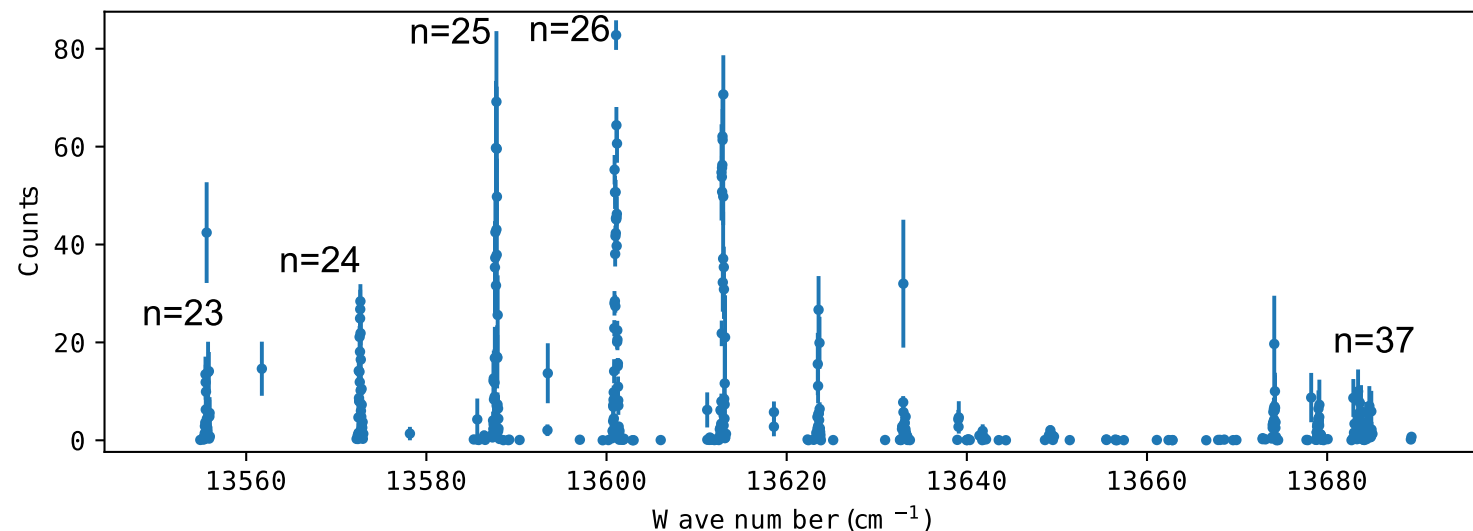
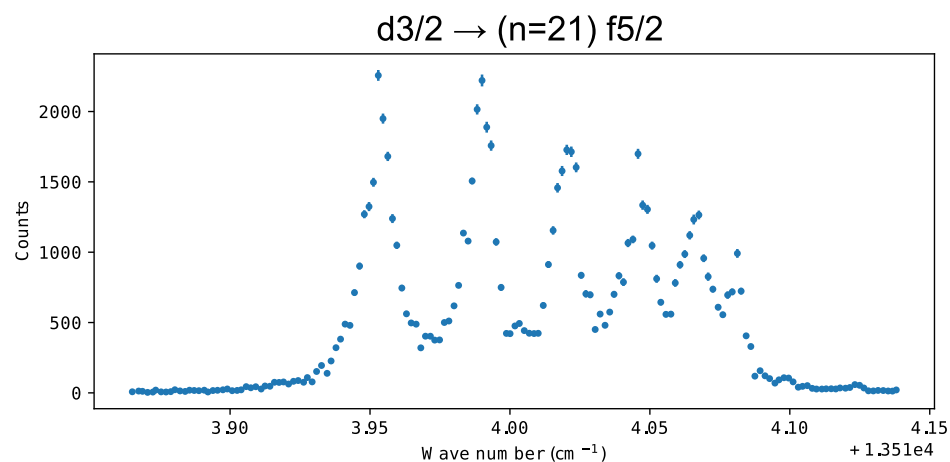
‘peaks’ are 1064nm only, large ^{100}Mn contamination



Offline work in 2019: Field ionization of indium

Next Steps:

- Optimization of design
- Modification of the end of CRIS
- Demonstration of gain in background at 1×10^{-10} mbar
- Expect x100-200 reduction in collisional background (and removal of photoionization background)



Remarks

- CRIS is one variety of the general collinear laser spectroscopy method.
- Laser spectroscopy is currently a very active field with many groups around the world working towards the limits of nuclear existence.
- We are continuing to upgrade and optimize the CRIS method and certainly have more yet to gain.
- Charge radii provides a test to inter-nucleon interactions and many-body methods.

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Thank you

Energy spread correction

