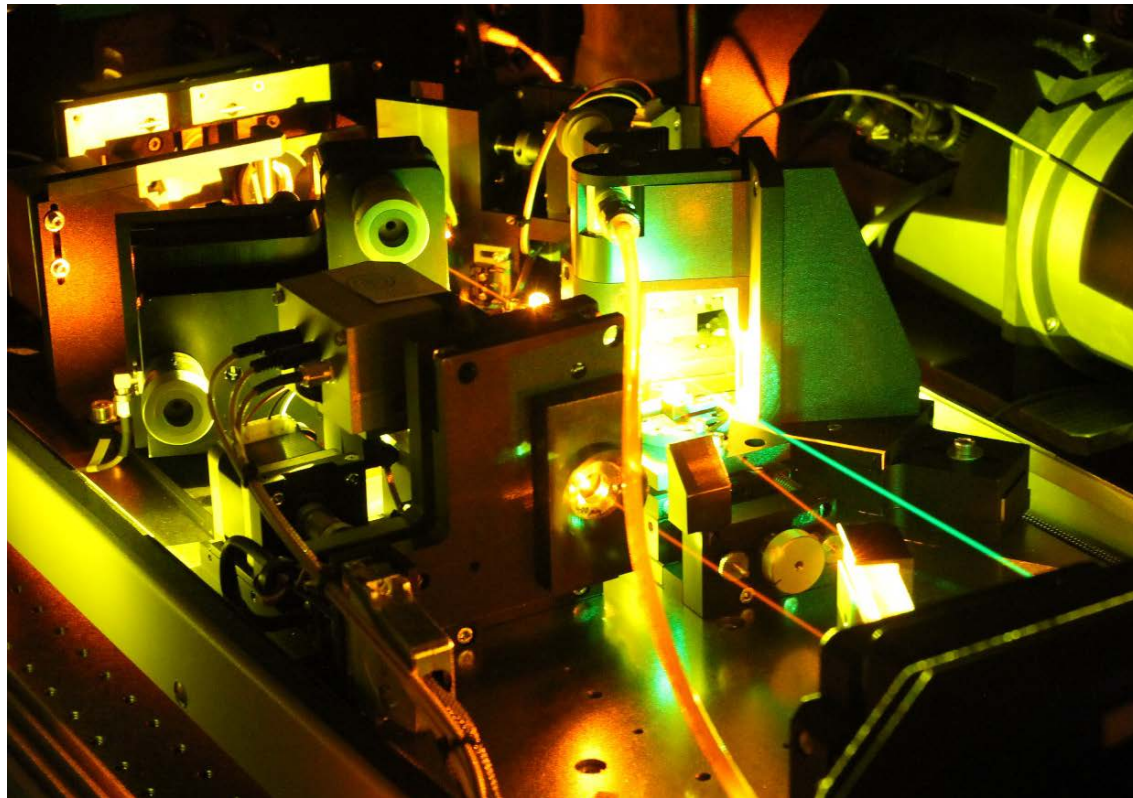


## Recent laser spectroscopy results at NSCL/MSU

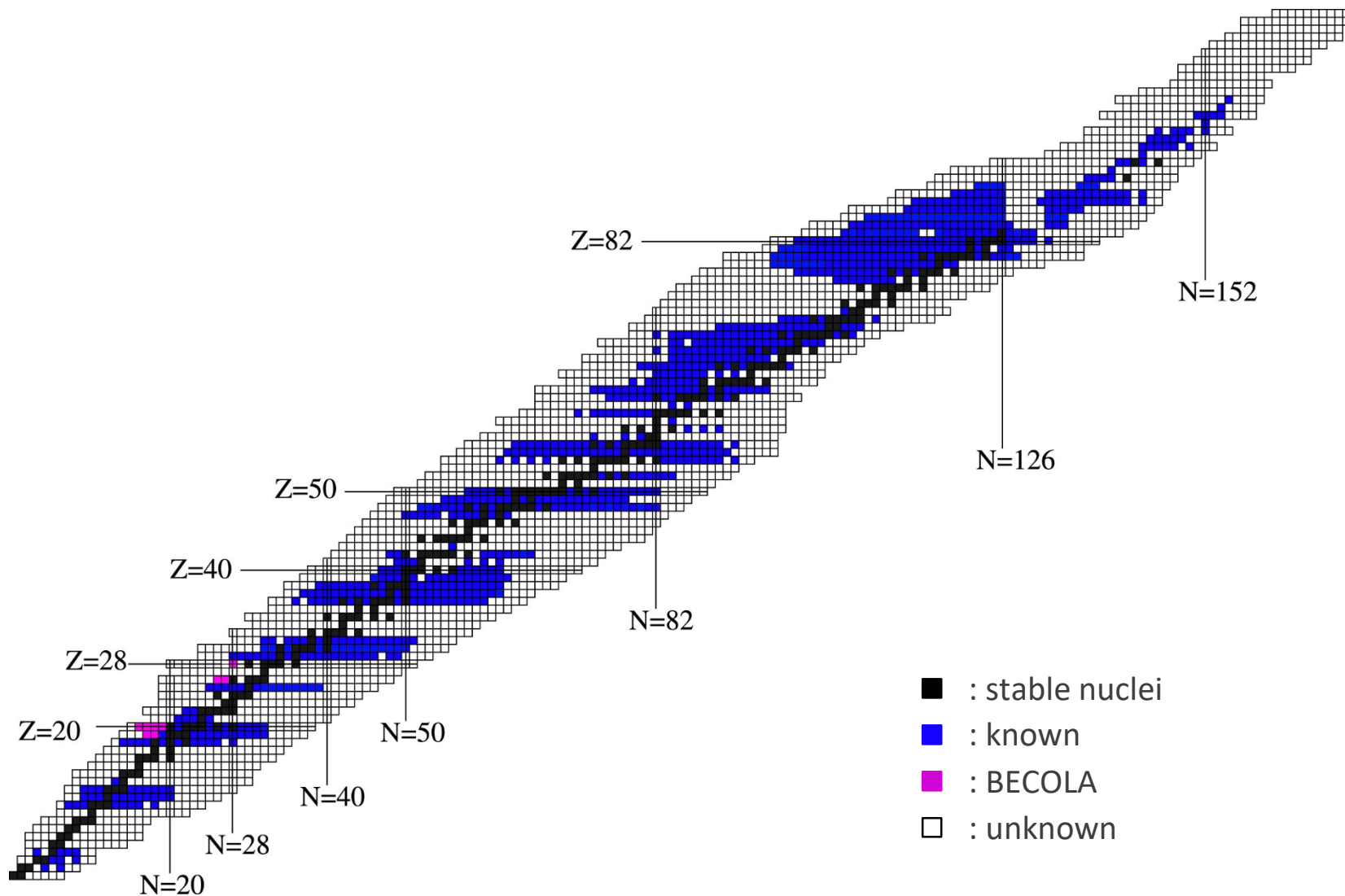


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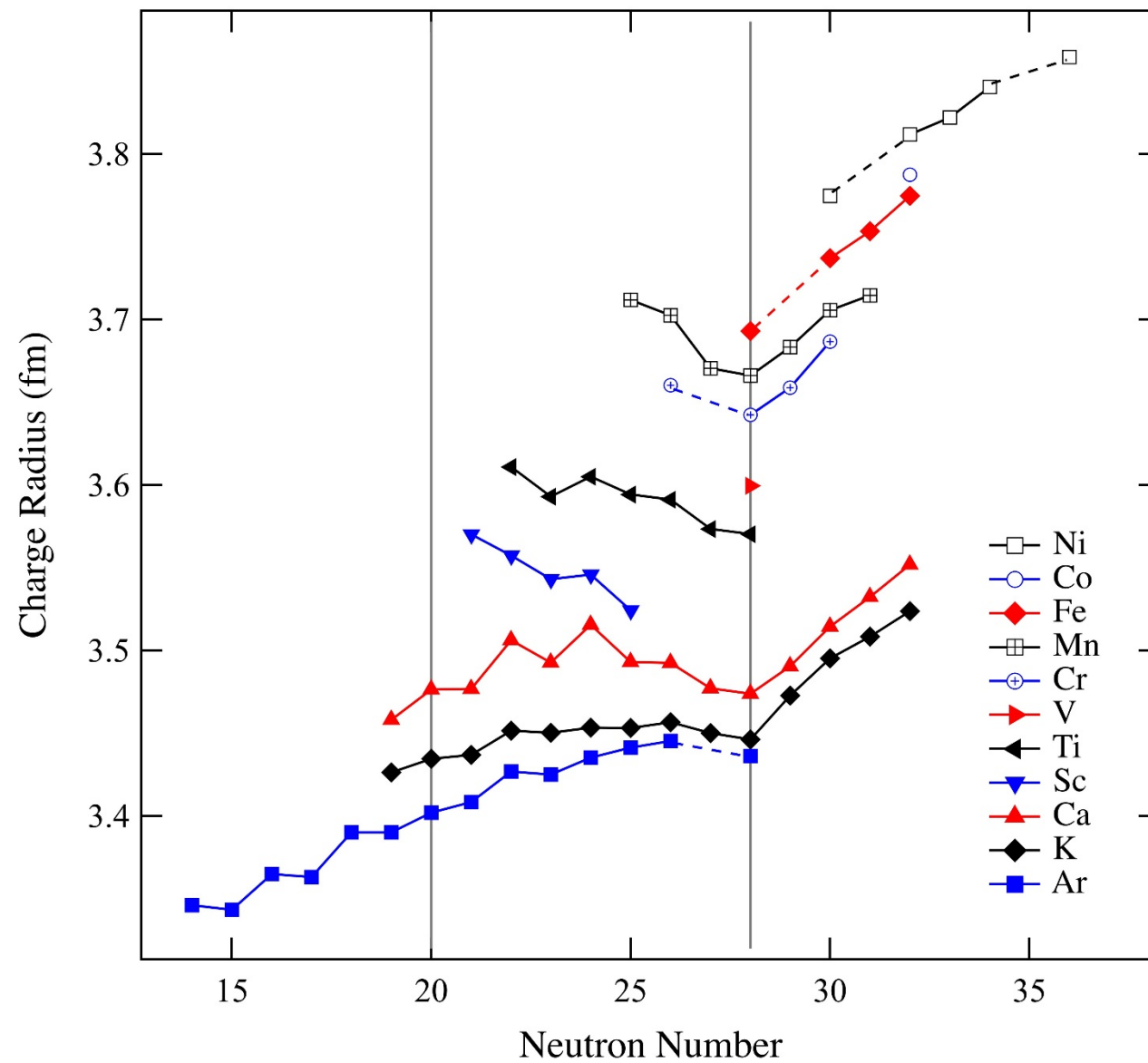
## Plan of my talk

- Very brief introduction
- NSCL, and its transition to FRIB
- About BECOLA
- Some science cases
- Future prospects

# Laser spectroscopy experiments at BECOLA

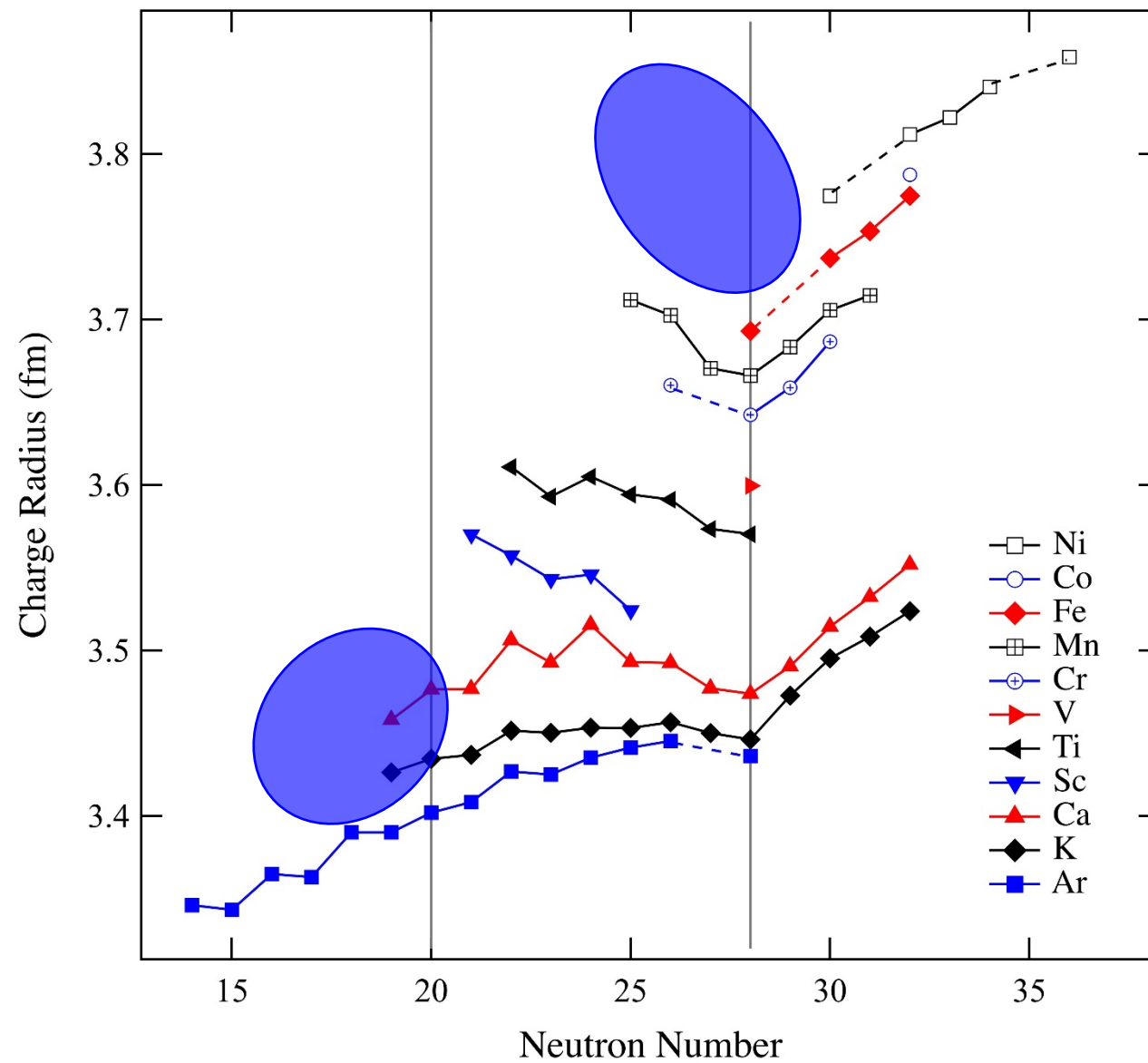


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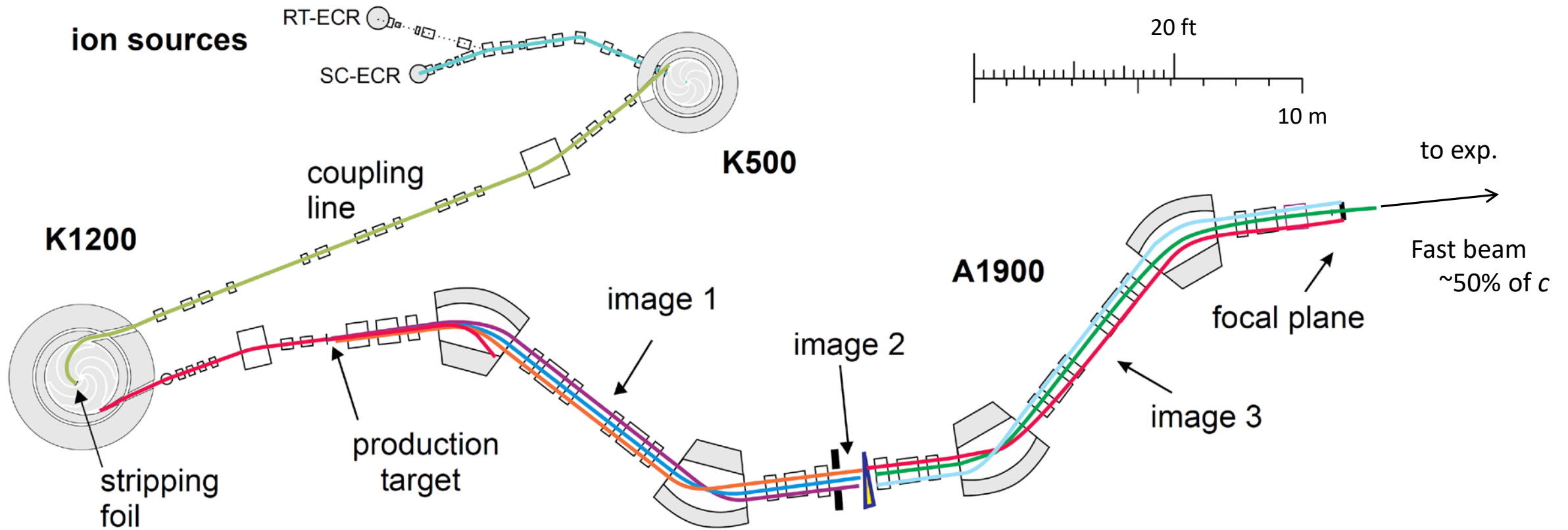




## Recent interests: Ca & Ni at $N = 20$ & 28



## Coupled cyclotron facility at NSCL/MSU



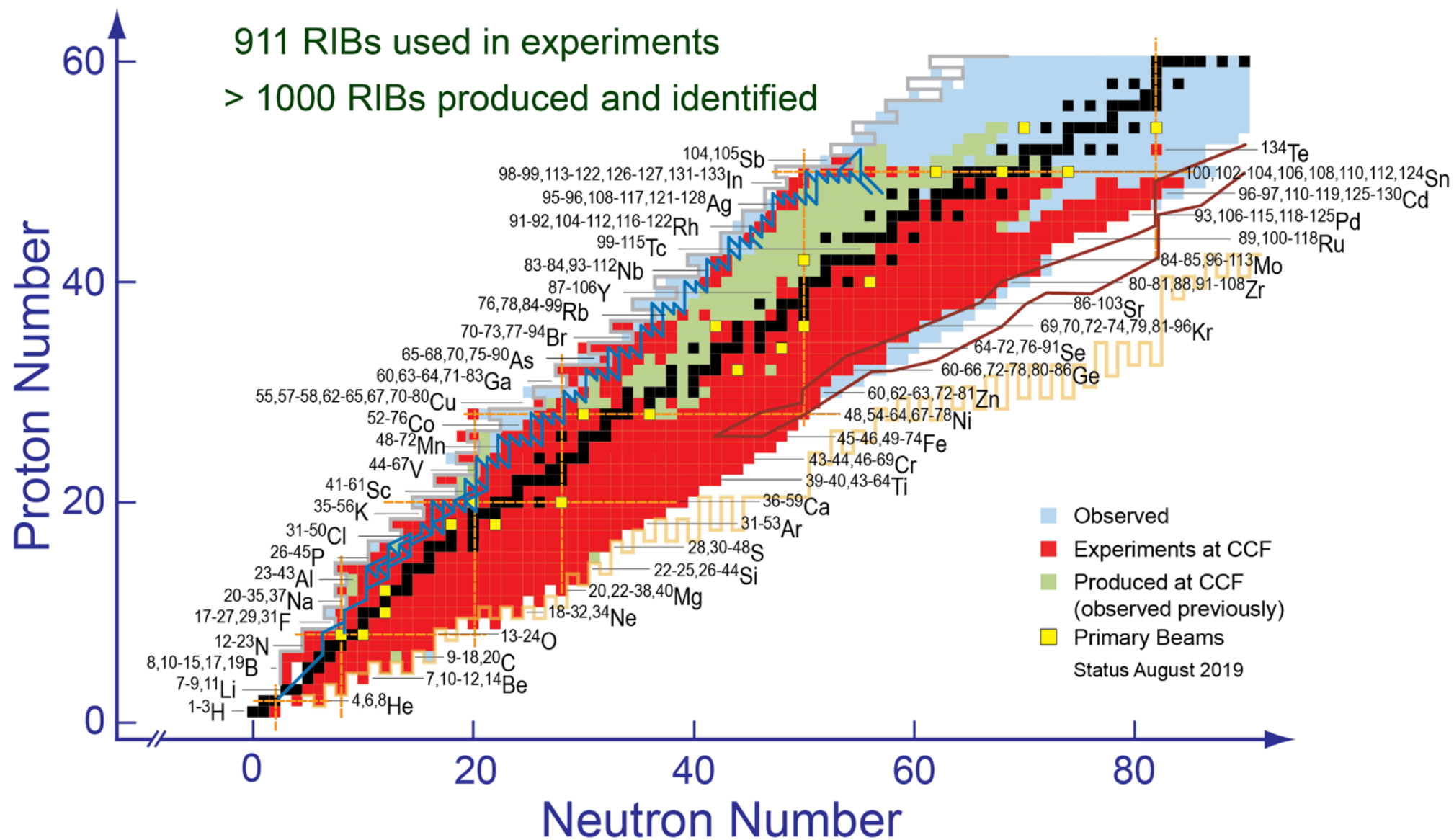
### Projectile-fragment reactions

- Forward focusing, fast separation
- Produces nuclei lighter than primary beam (so far the heaviest is U)
- Chemistry free
- Complementary to e.g. ISOL mechanism

### Good at

- Short lived isotopes
- Neutron-deficient side

## Production at NSCL

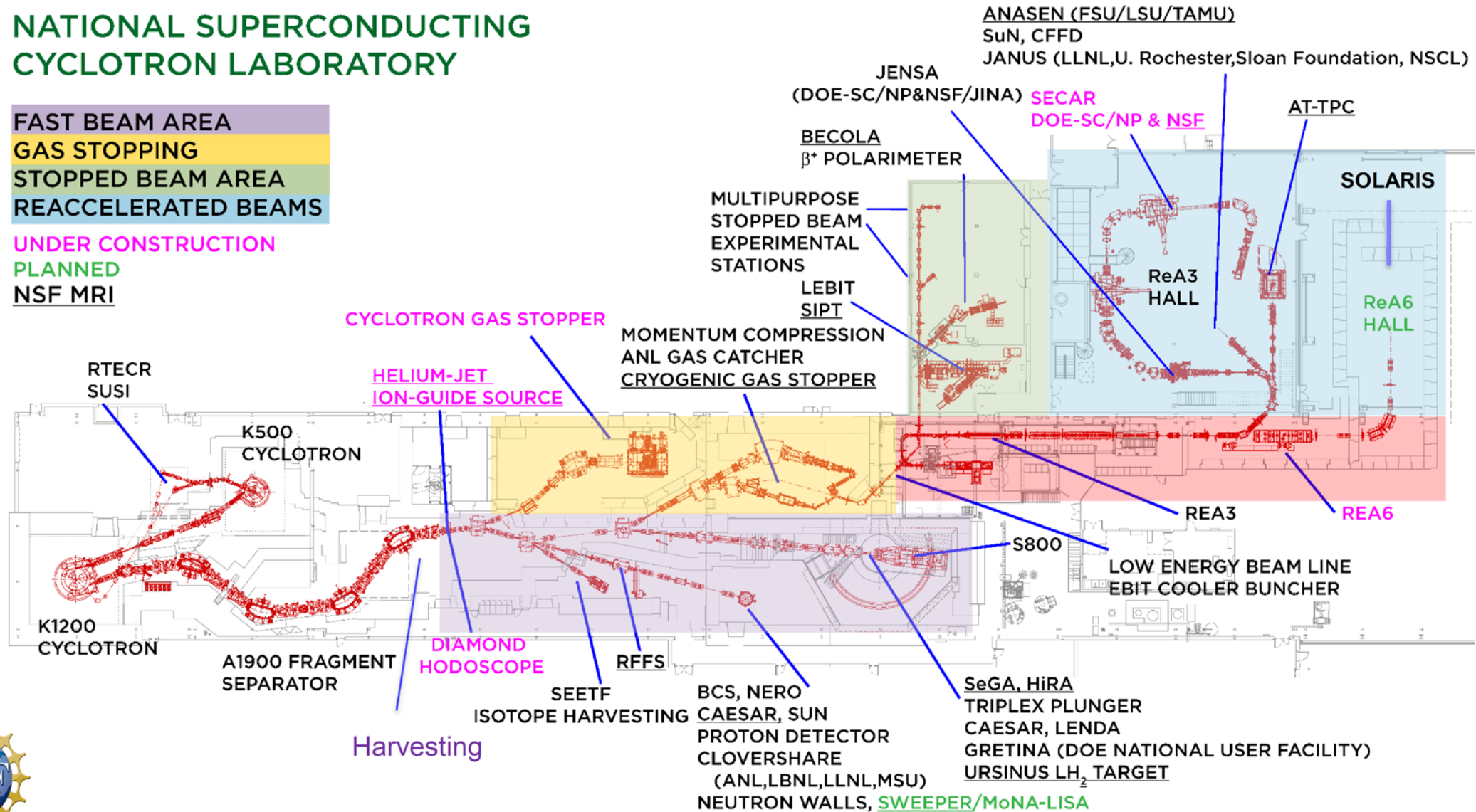


# Current NSCL experimental layout

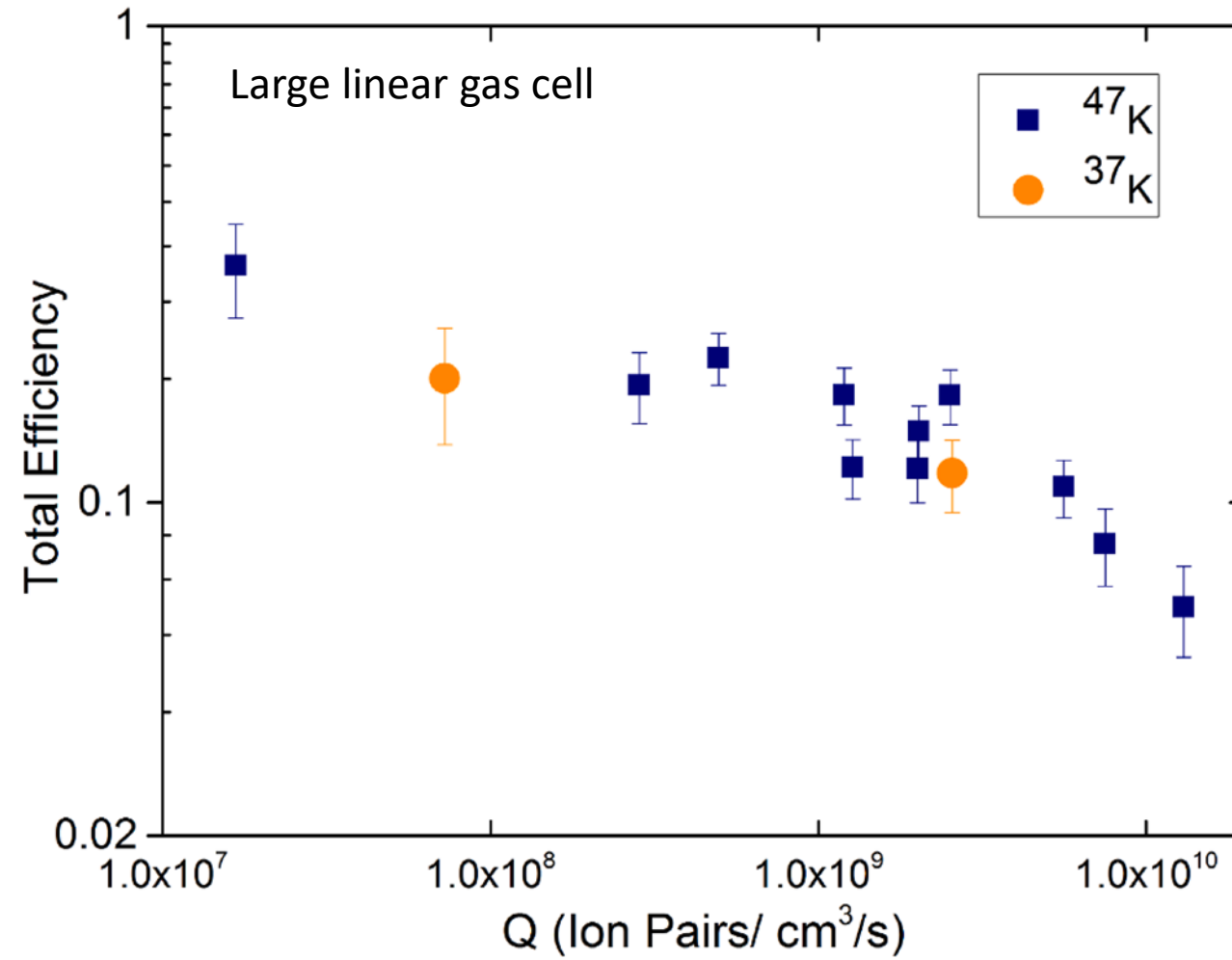
## NATIONAL SUPERCONDUCTING CYCLOTRON LABORATORY

FAST BEAM AREA  
GAS STOPPING  
STOPPED BEAM AREA  
REACCELERATED BEAMS

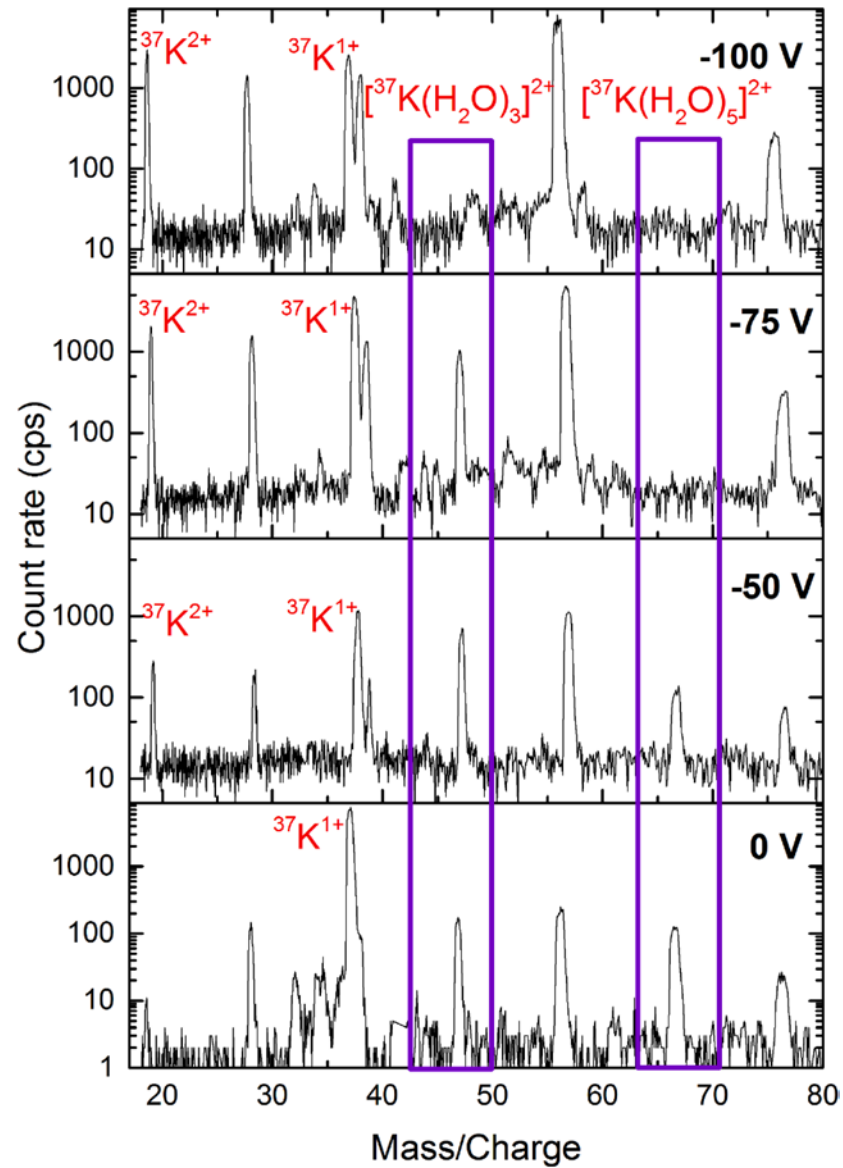
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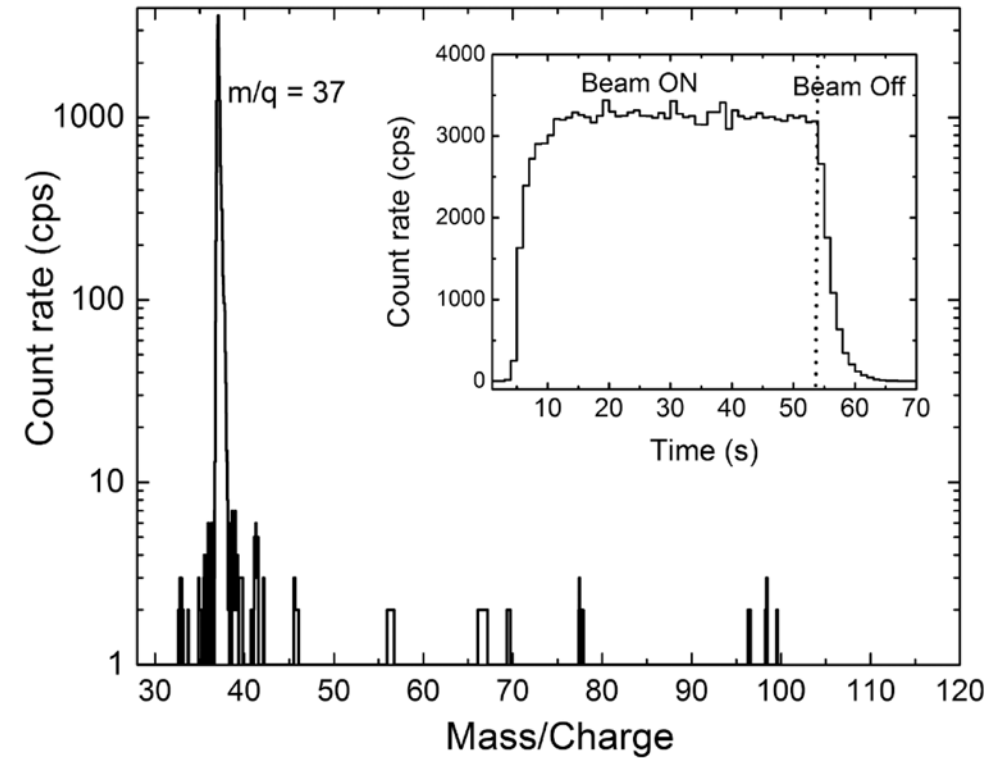
## Gas stopping at NSCL



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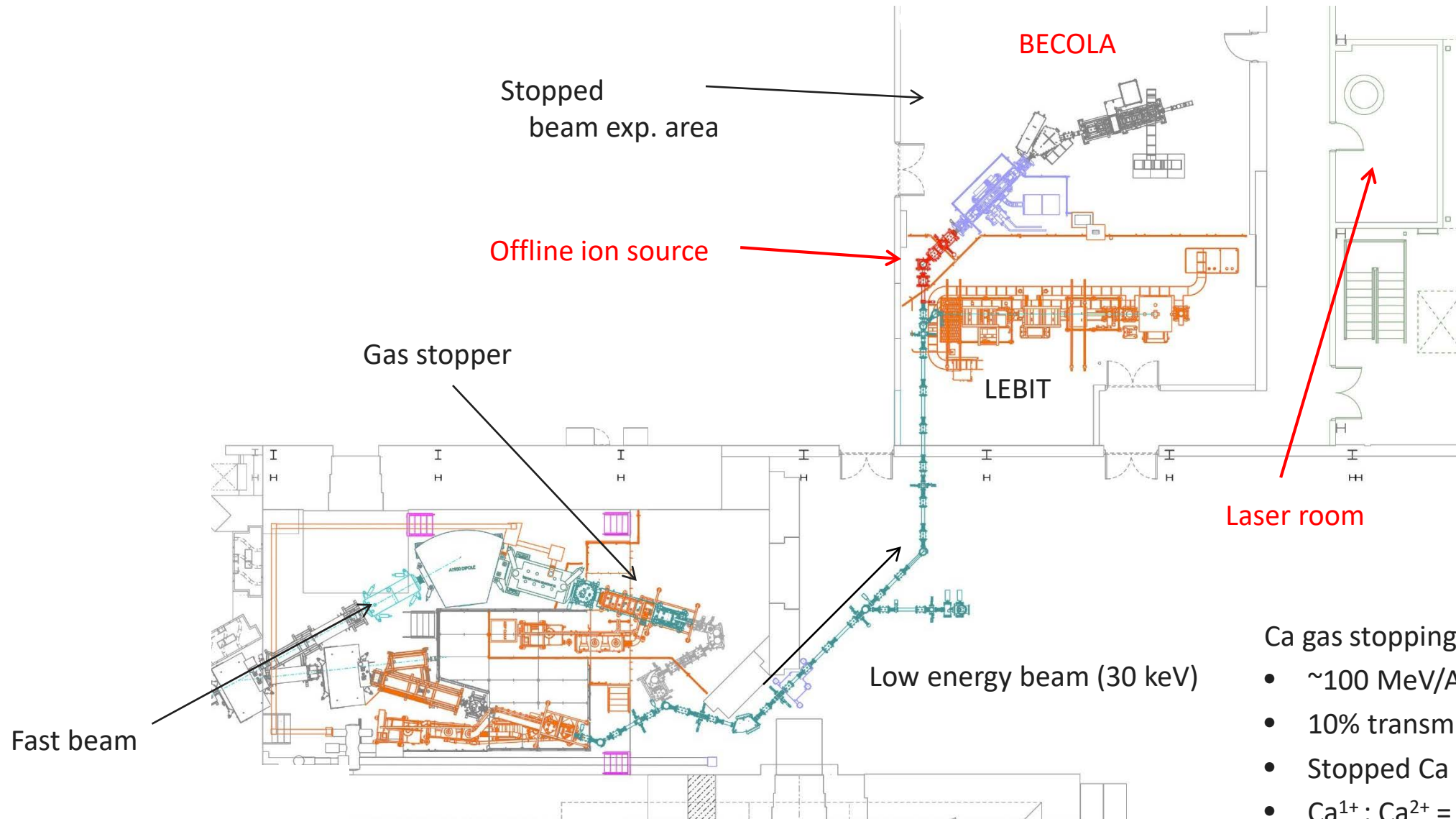
With “cleaner” cell condition



When the cell is “dirty”.



## Gas stopping & ion beam transport to BECOLA



### Ca gas stopping

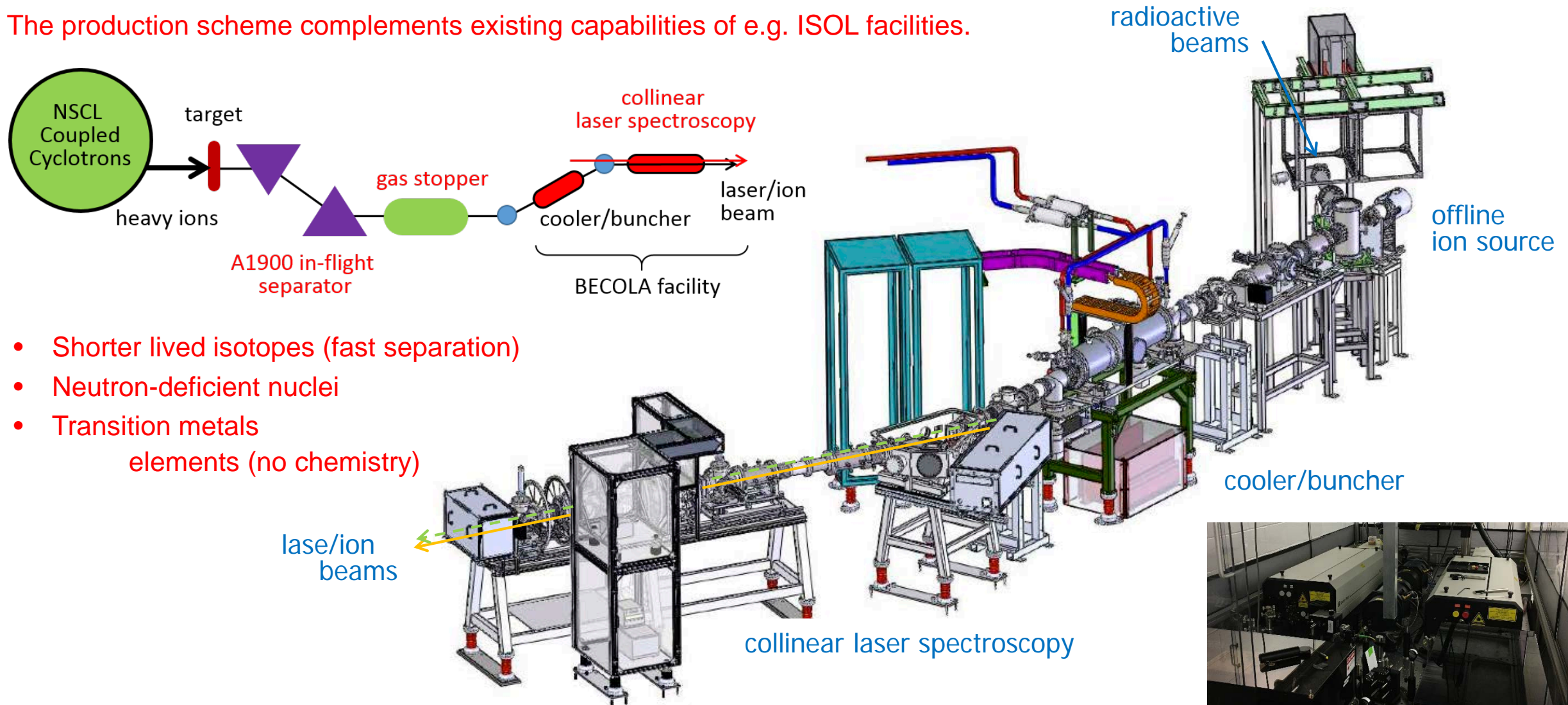
- $\sim 100$  MeV/A injection
- 10% transmission efficiency
- Stopped Ca  $n\text{H}_2\text{O}$  attached
- $\text{Ca}^{1+} : \text{Ca}^{2+} = 1 : 1$  after CID



# BECOLA facility @ NSCL/MSU

## - Bunched beam collinear laser spectroscopy -

The production scheme complements existing capabilities of e.g. ISOL facilities.

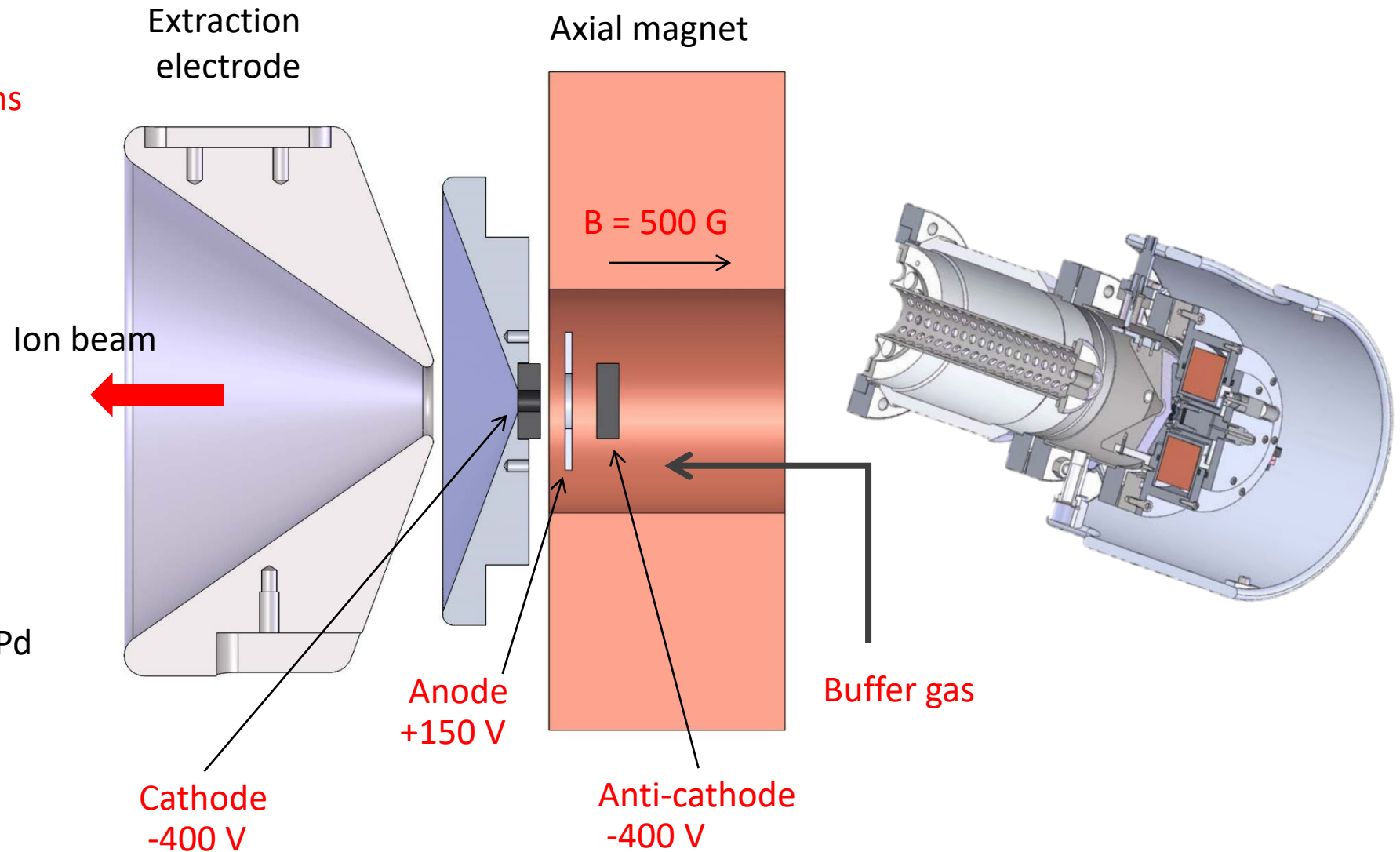


- Shorter lived isotopes (fast separation)
- Neutron-deficient nuclei
- Transition metals elements (no chemistry)

# Penning ionization gauge (PIG) ion source

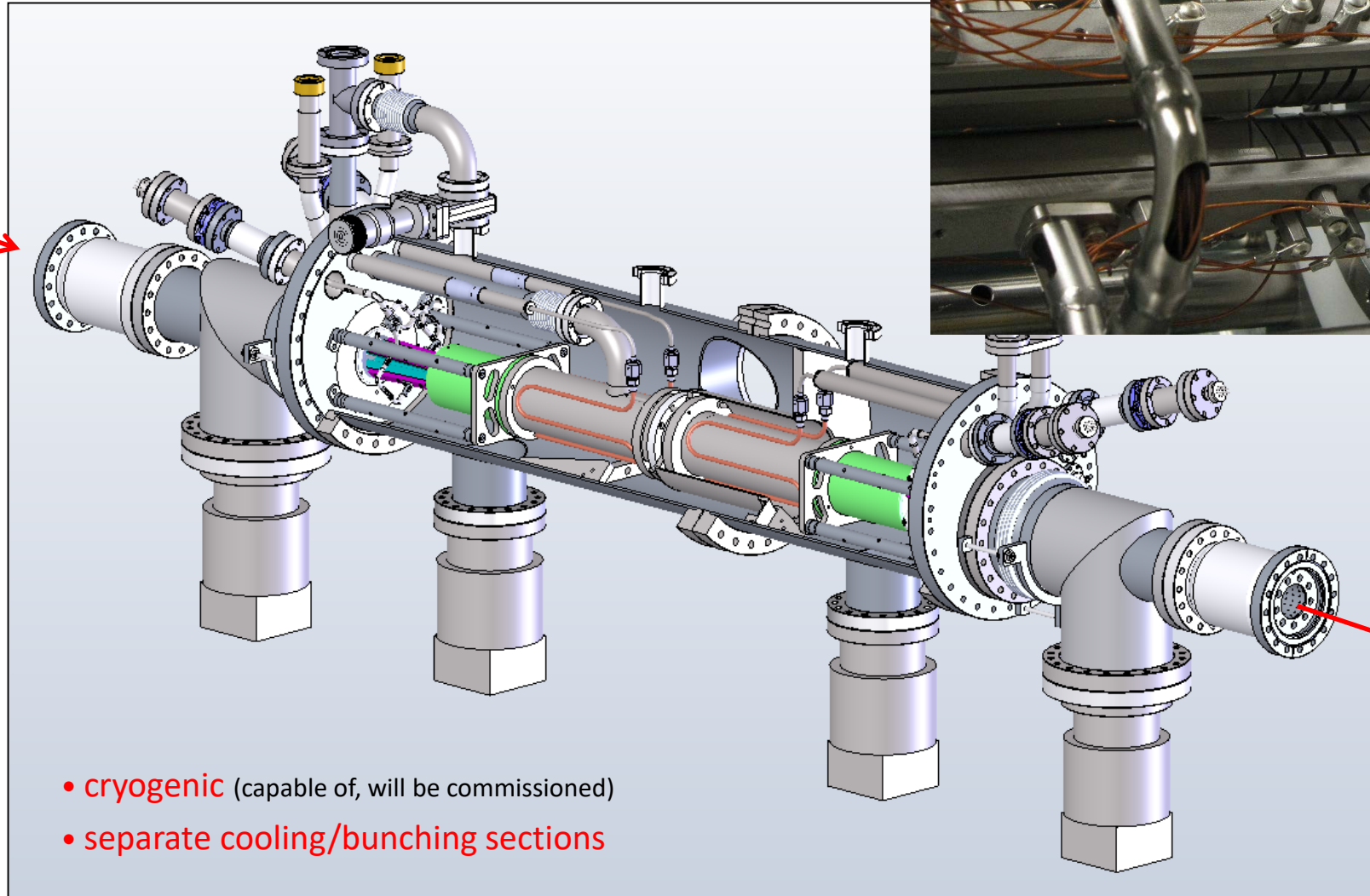
Critical for offline testing and  
online calibrations

- Plasma/discharge sputter source
- generates ions from cathodes buffer gas
- He, Ne, Ar, Ca, Sc, Mn, Fe, Ni, Zr, Sn, Pd

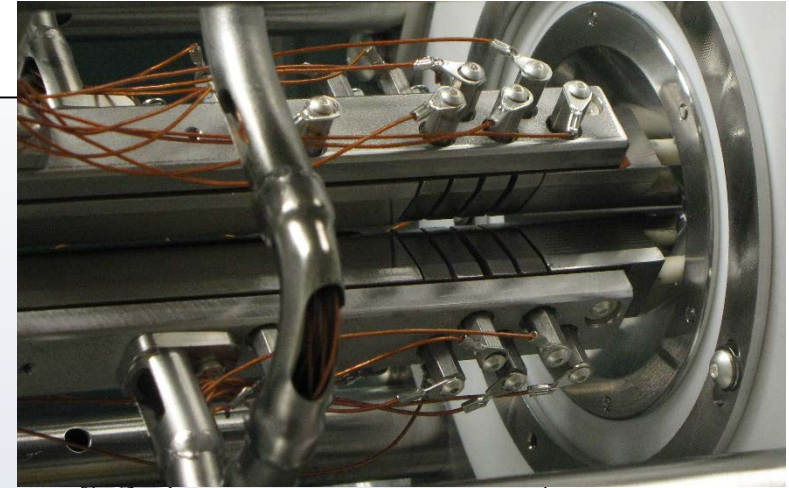


## BECOLA cryogenic cooler/buncher

low energy  
beam



- cryogenic (capable of, will be commissioned)
- separate cooling/bunching sections



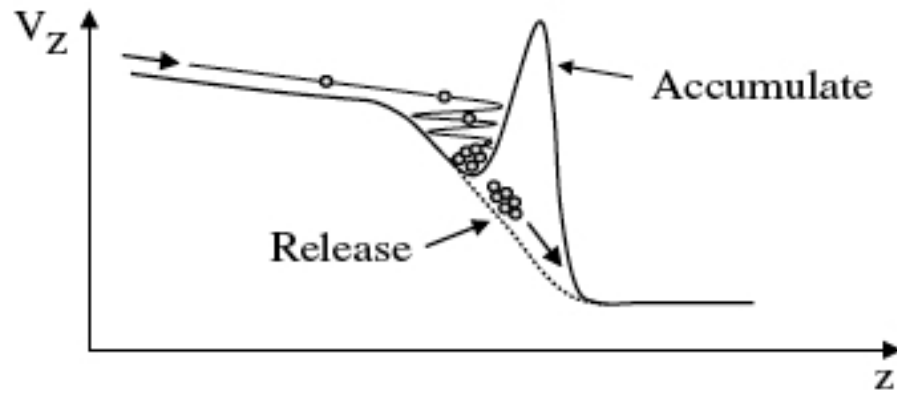
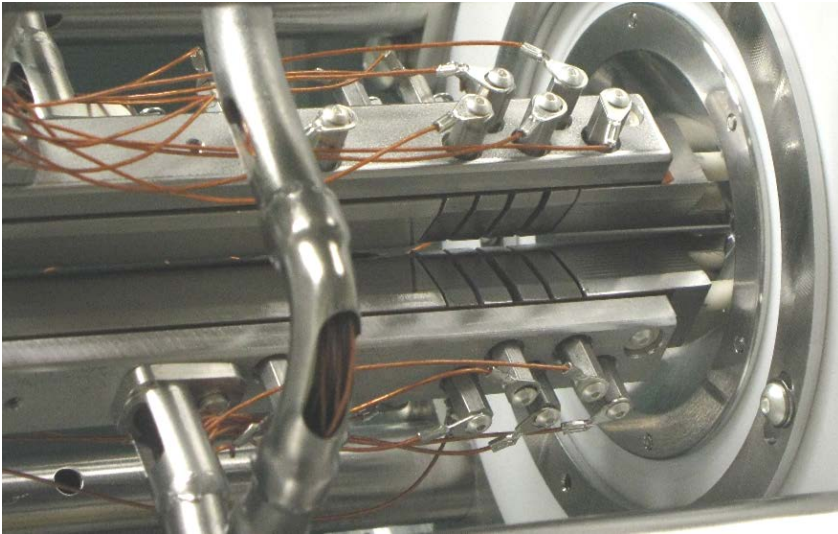
bunching section

to CLS beam line

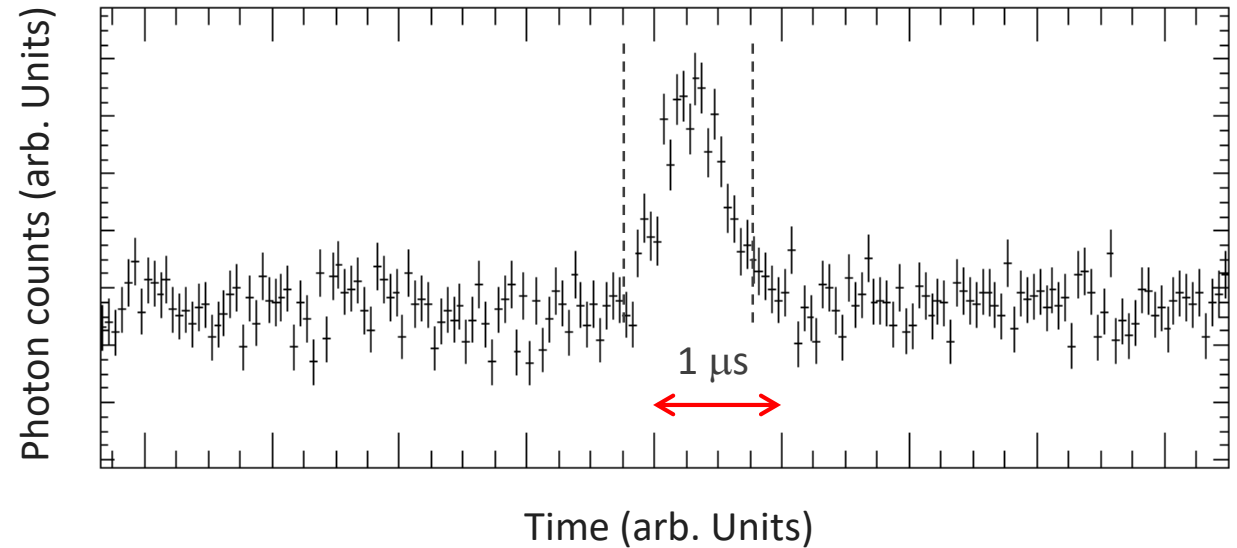


## High sensitivity: bunched beam CLS

RFQ bunching section



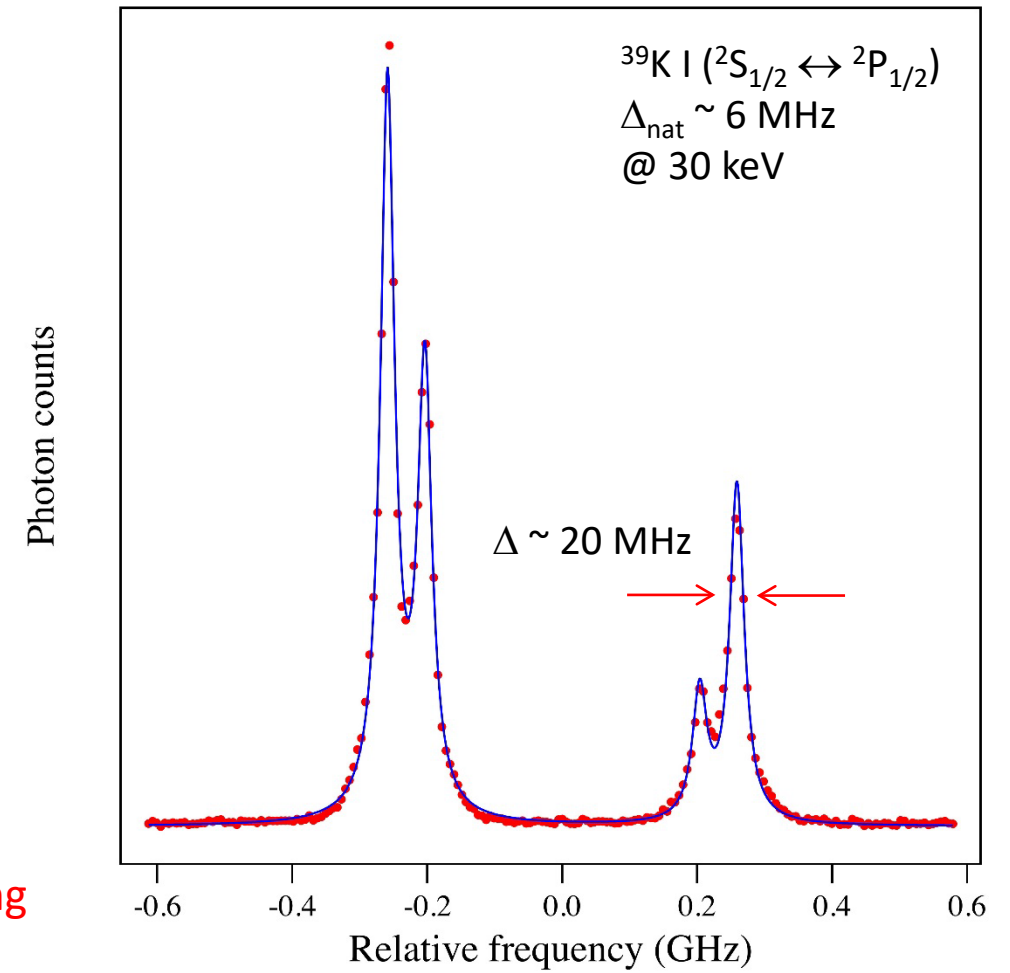
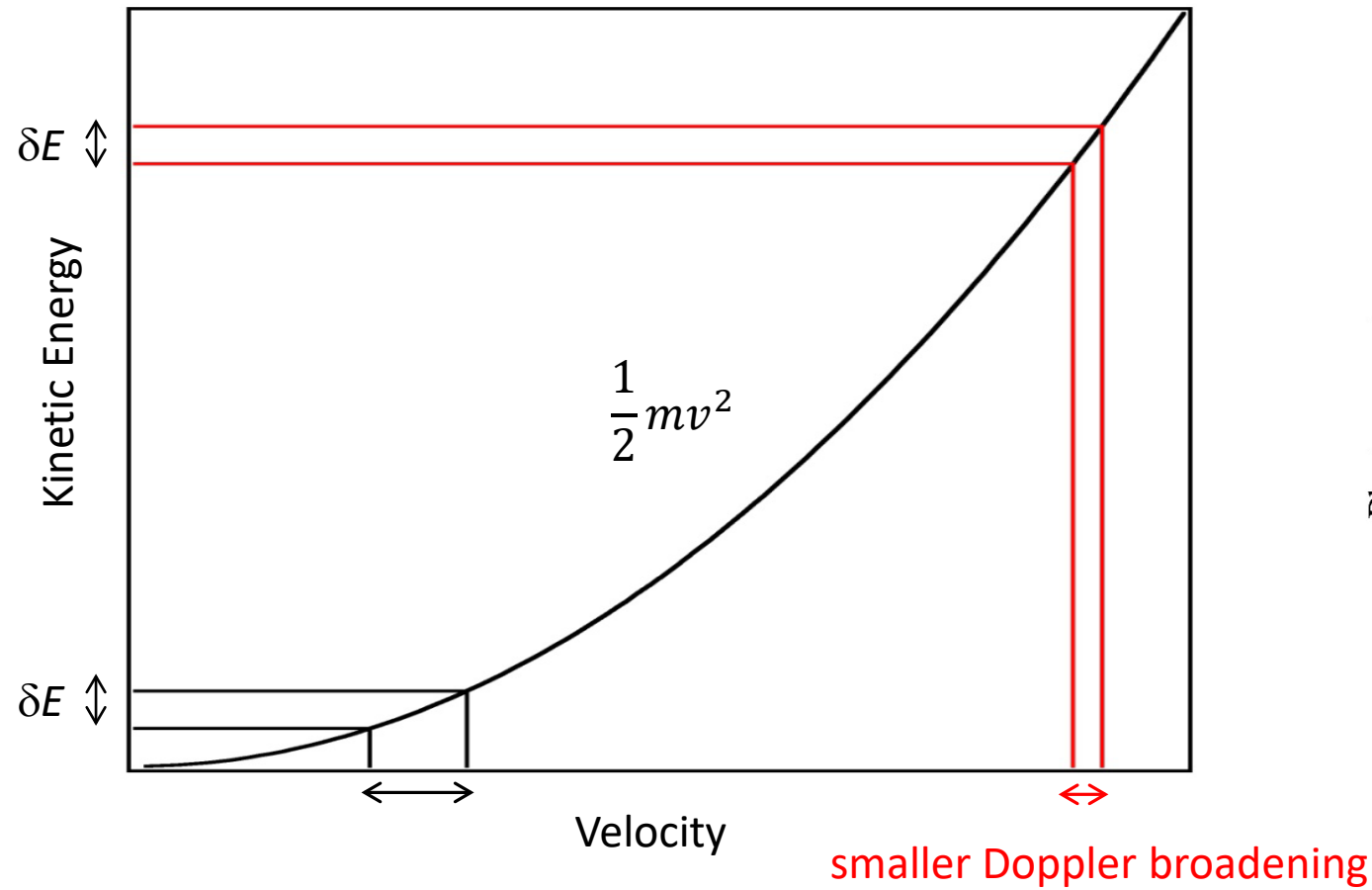
Time spectrum of 30 keV  $^{36}\text{Ca}$  ( $T_{1/2} = 102$  ms)



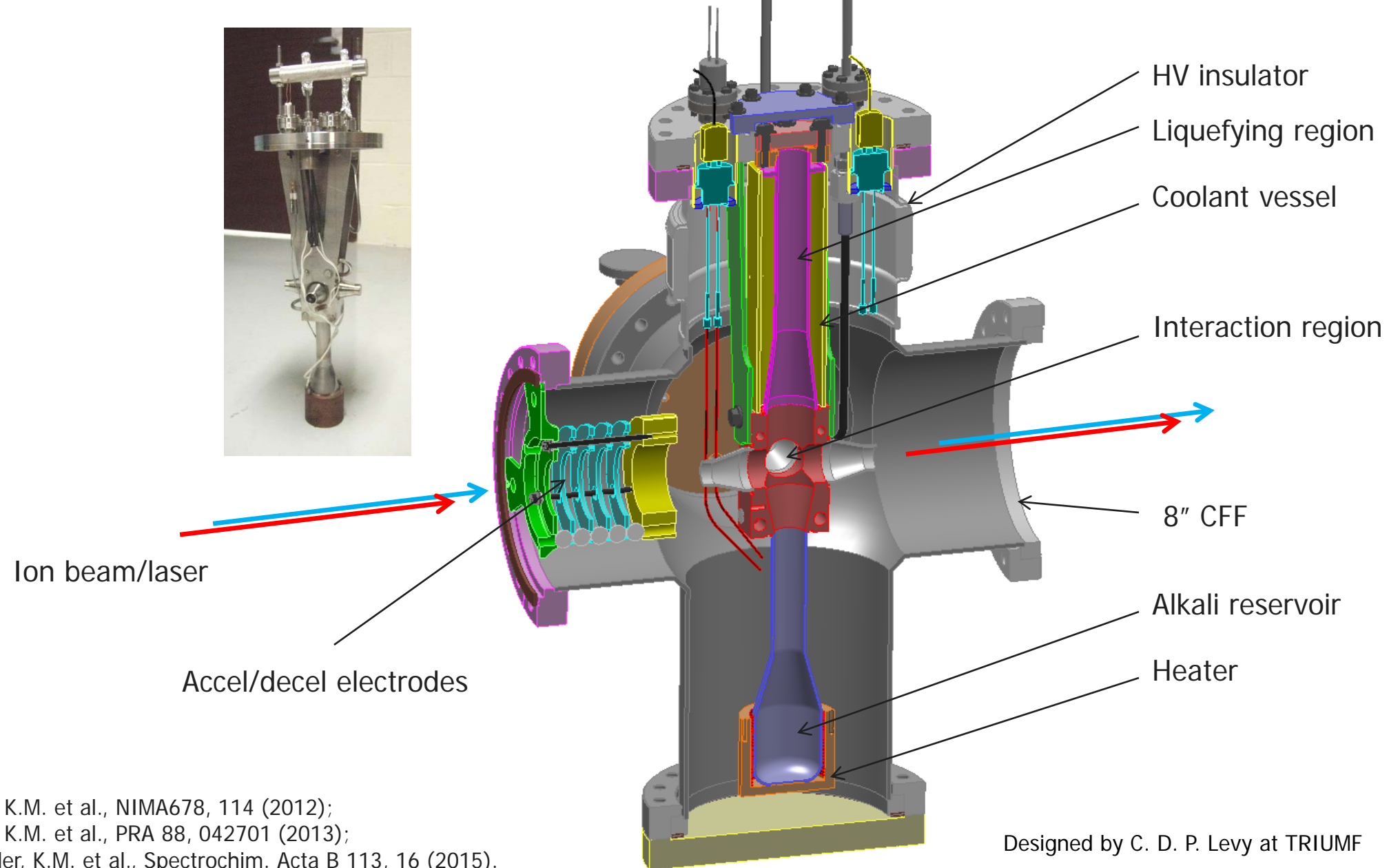
### Bunched beam CLS

- Gate on ion-beam bunches
- No loss of signal, but suppresses background  $\rightarrow$  high SN
- Suppression factor  $\sim 10^6$  for 1 s bunch cycle
- Lifetime consideration for short-lived isotopes

## High resolution: kinematical compression (velocity bunching)



CEC



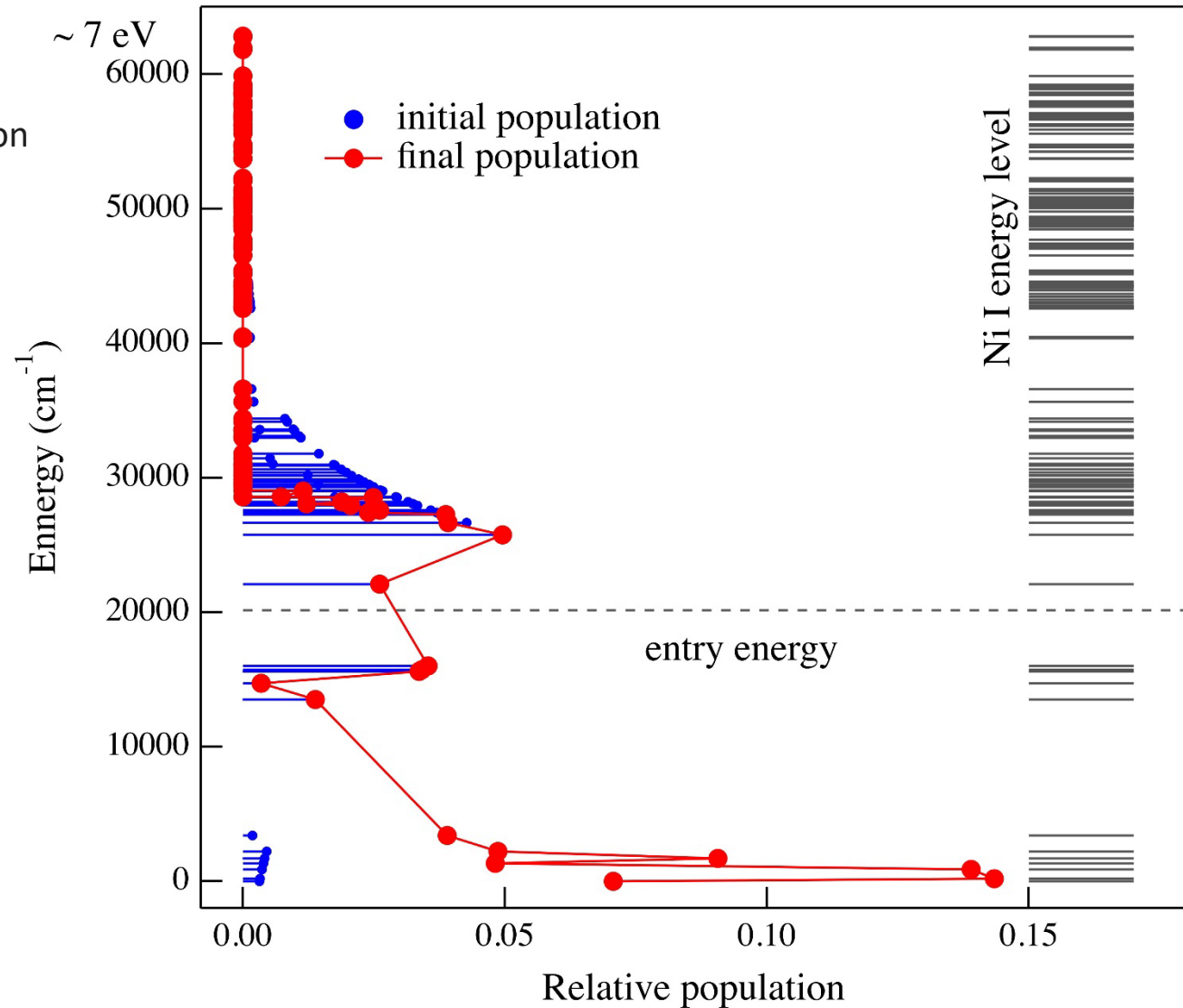
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Designed by C. D. P. Levy at TRIUMF

# Atomic charge exchange

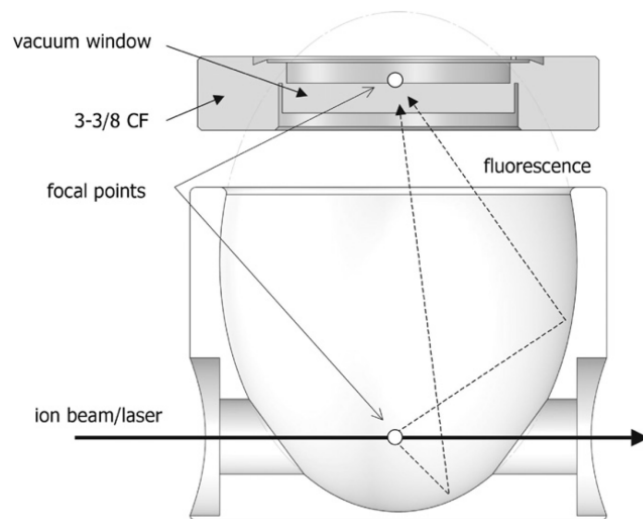
- charge exchange with Na vapor  
$$\text{Ni}^+ + \text{Na} \rightarrow \text{Ni} + \text{Na}^+ + \Delta E$$
  - High atomic energy-level density of Ni leads to severe fractionalization of population
- Small signal for laser spectroscopy
- Common issue for transition metal elements
  - In Ni experiment only 15% was probed

Simulation: 30 keV  $\text{Ni}^+$  on Na vapor

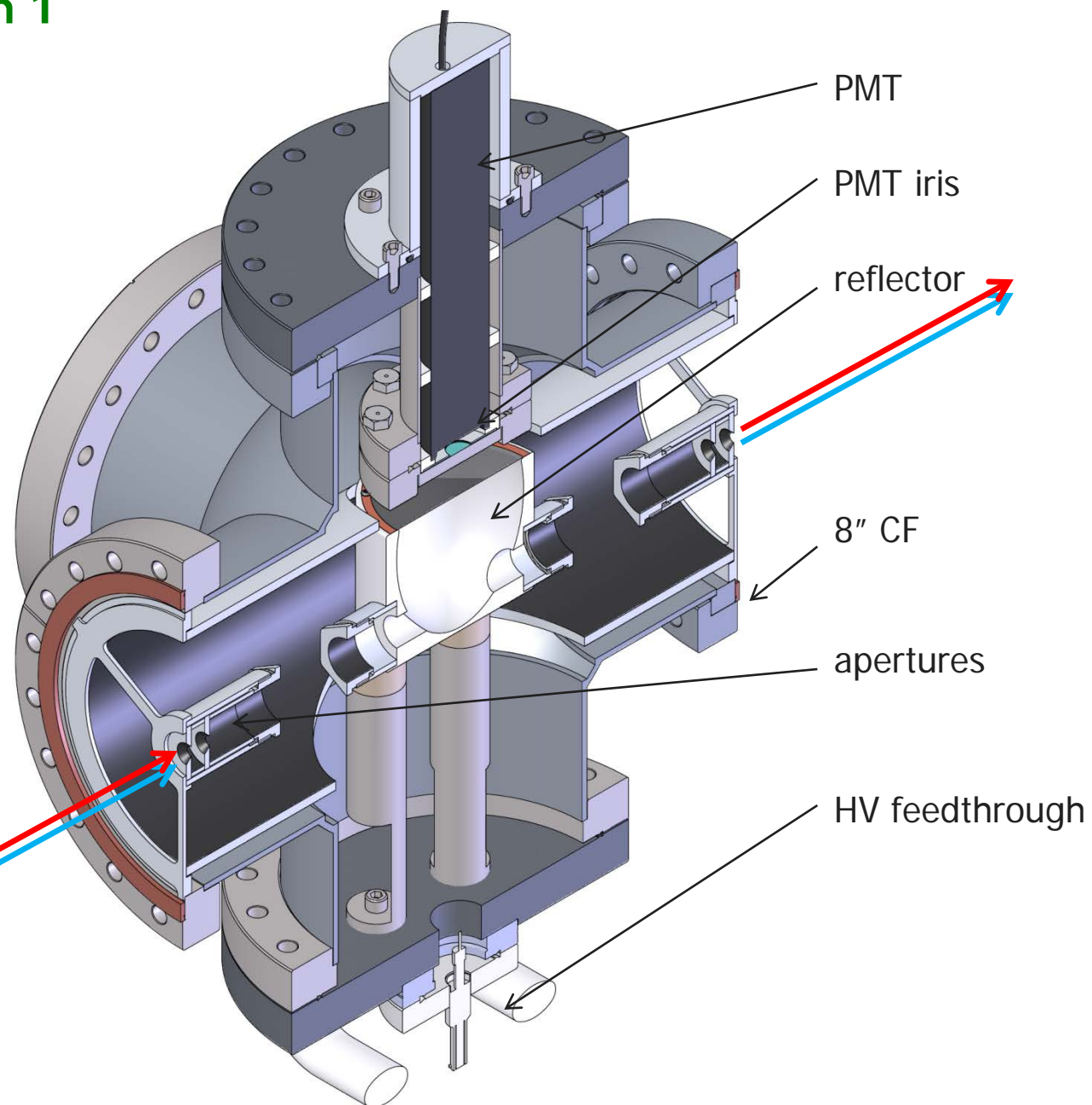




# Photon detection system 1

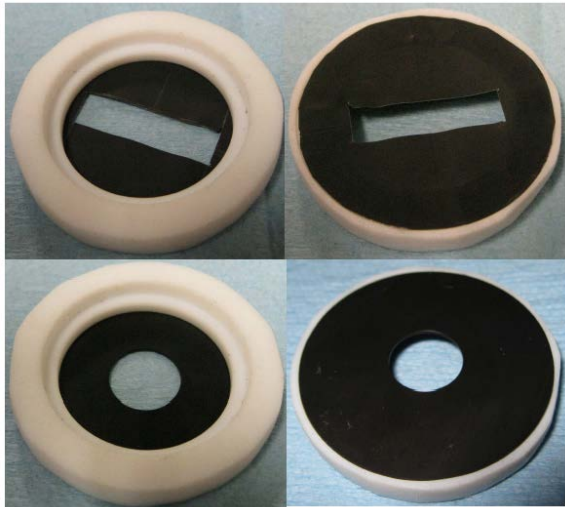


Ion beam/laser

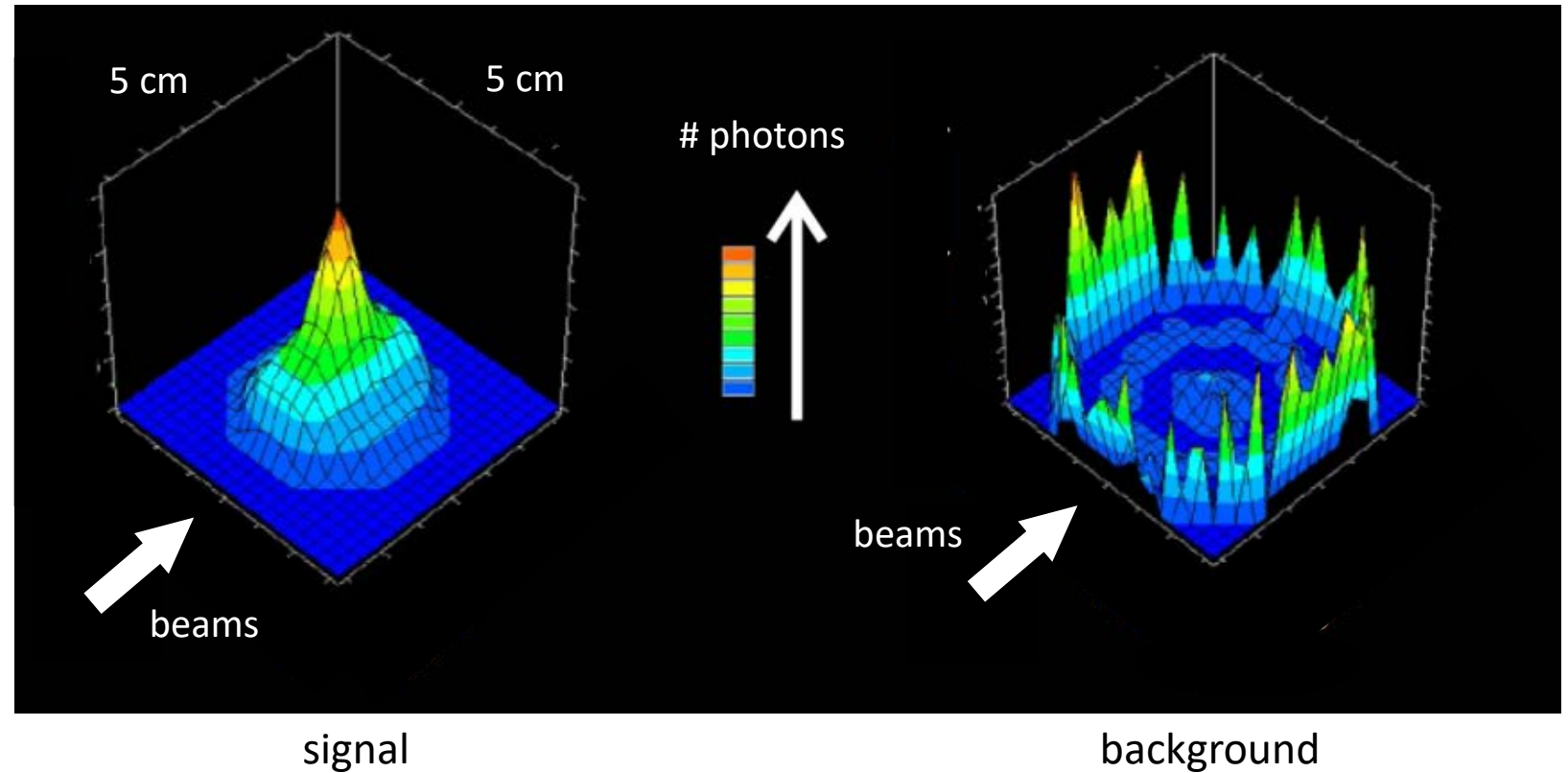


## Photon detection system 1: ellipsoidal reflector

Ellipsoidal reflector  
simulation: at the detection plane

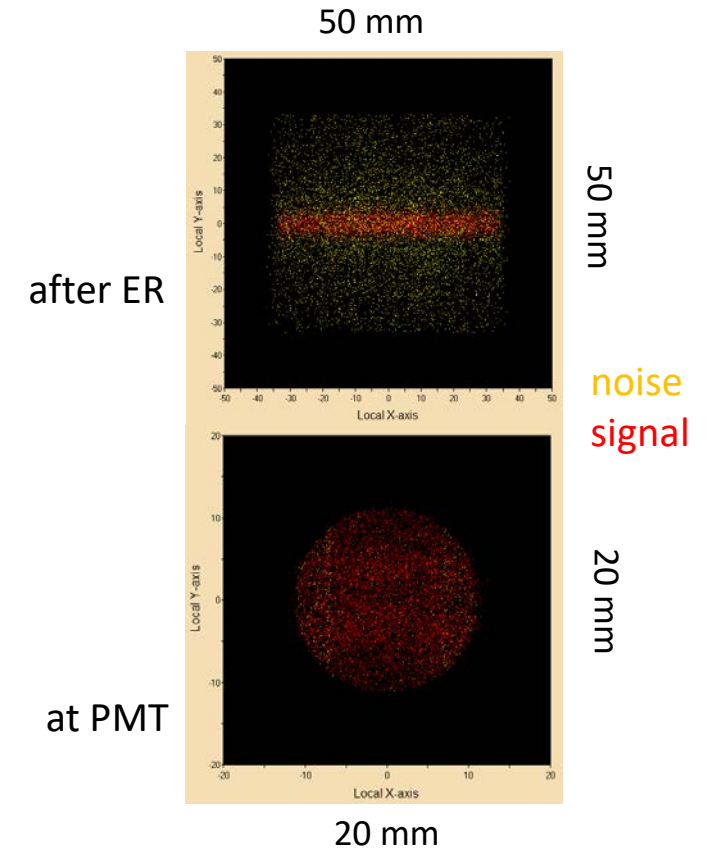
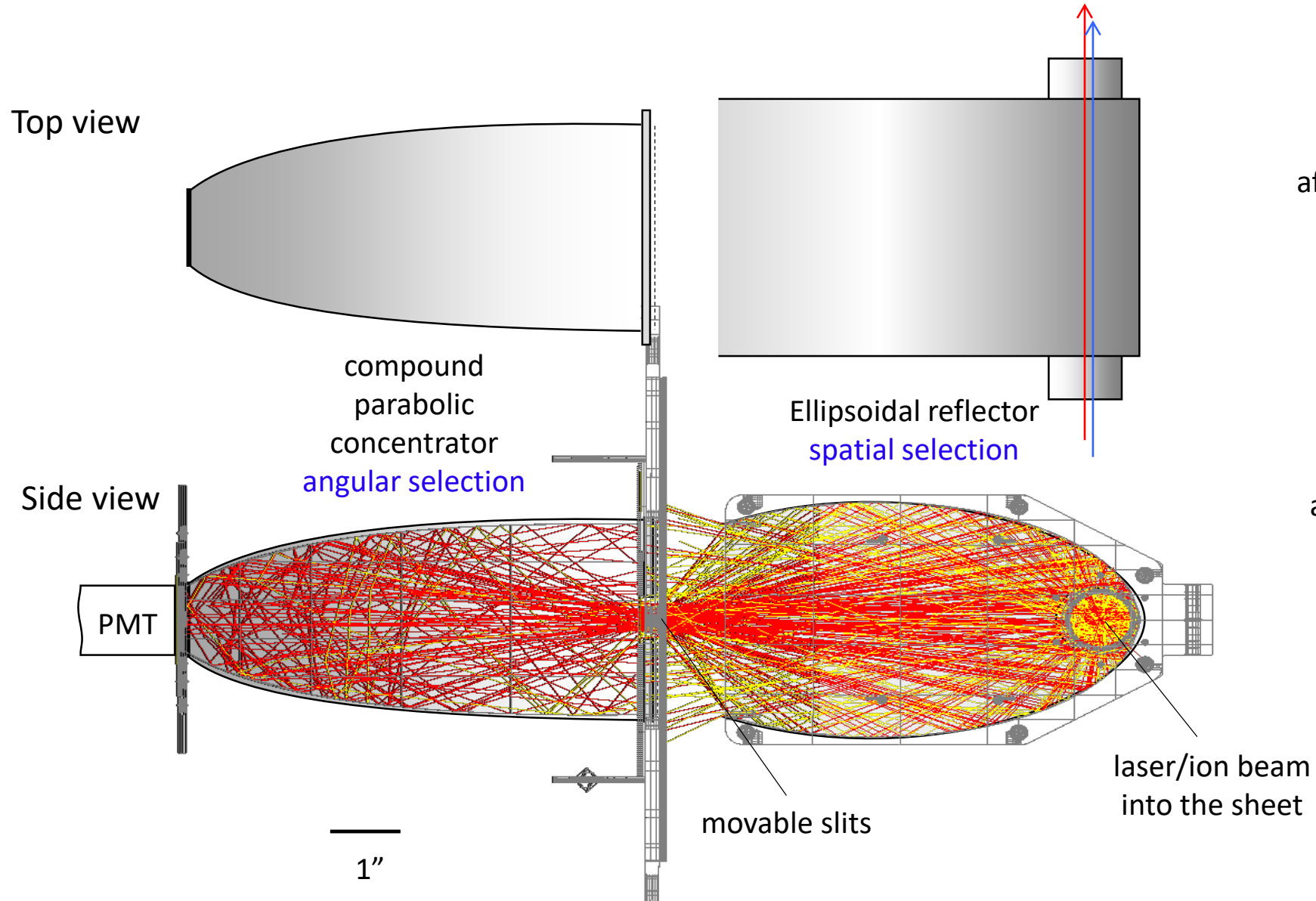


apertures



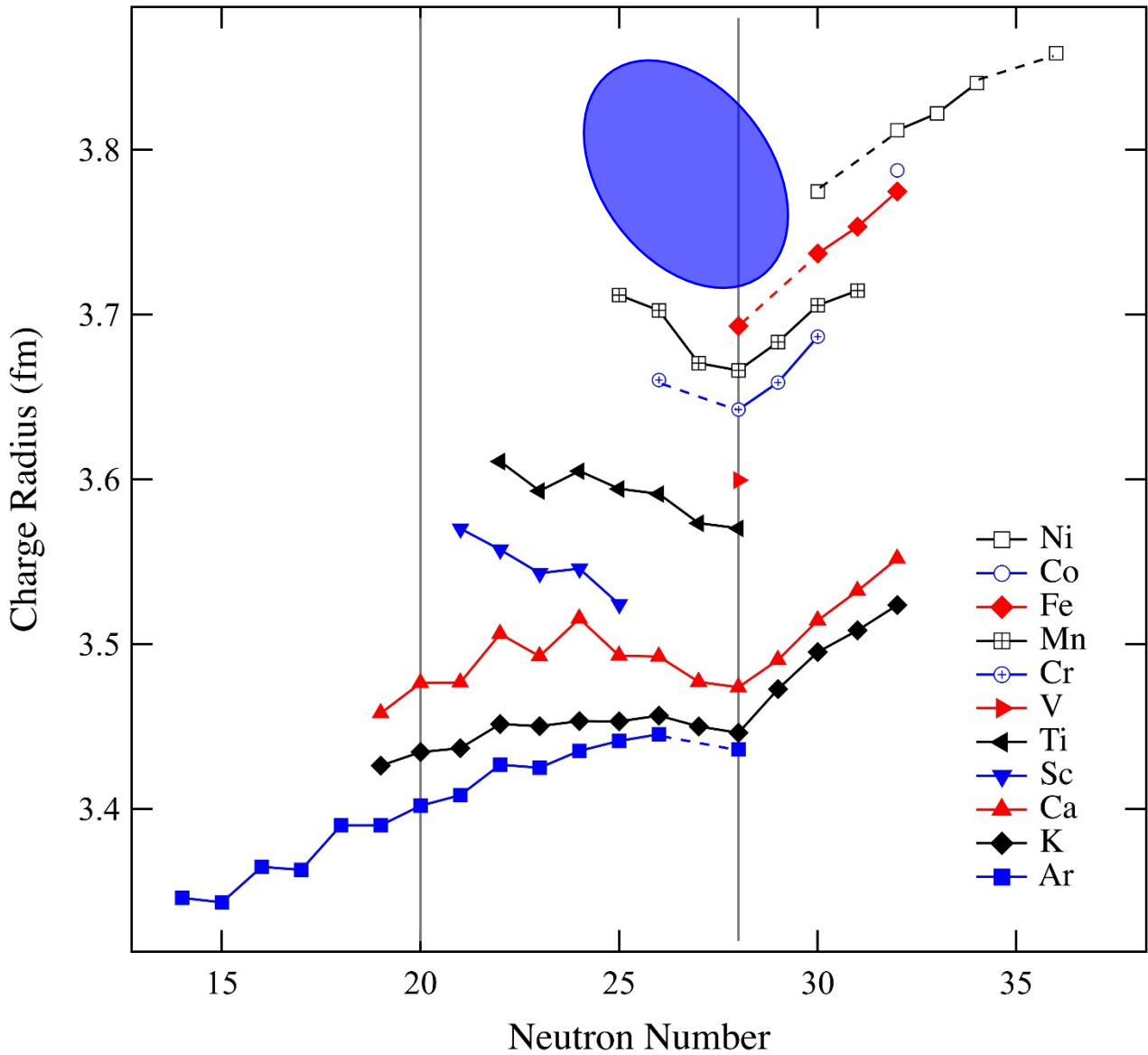
- Large solid angle
- Maximizing signal
- Relatively large background
- Wins **S/N**

## Photon detection system 2



- Filter background
- Minimizing background
- Relatively small signal
- Wins  $S/N$

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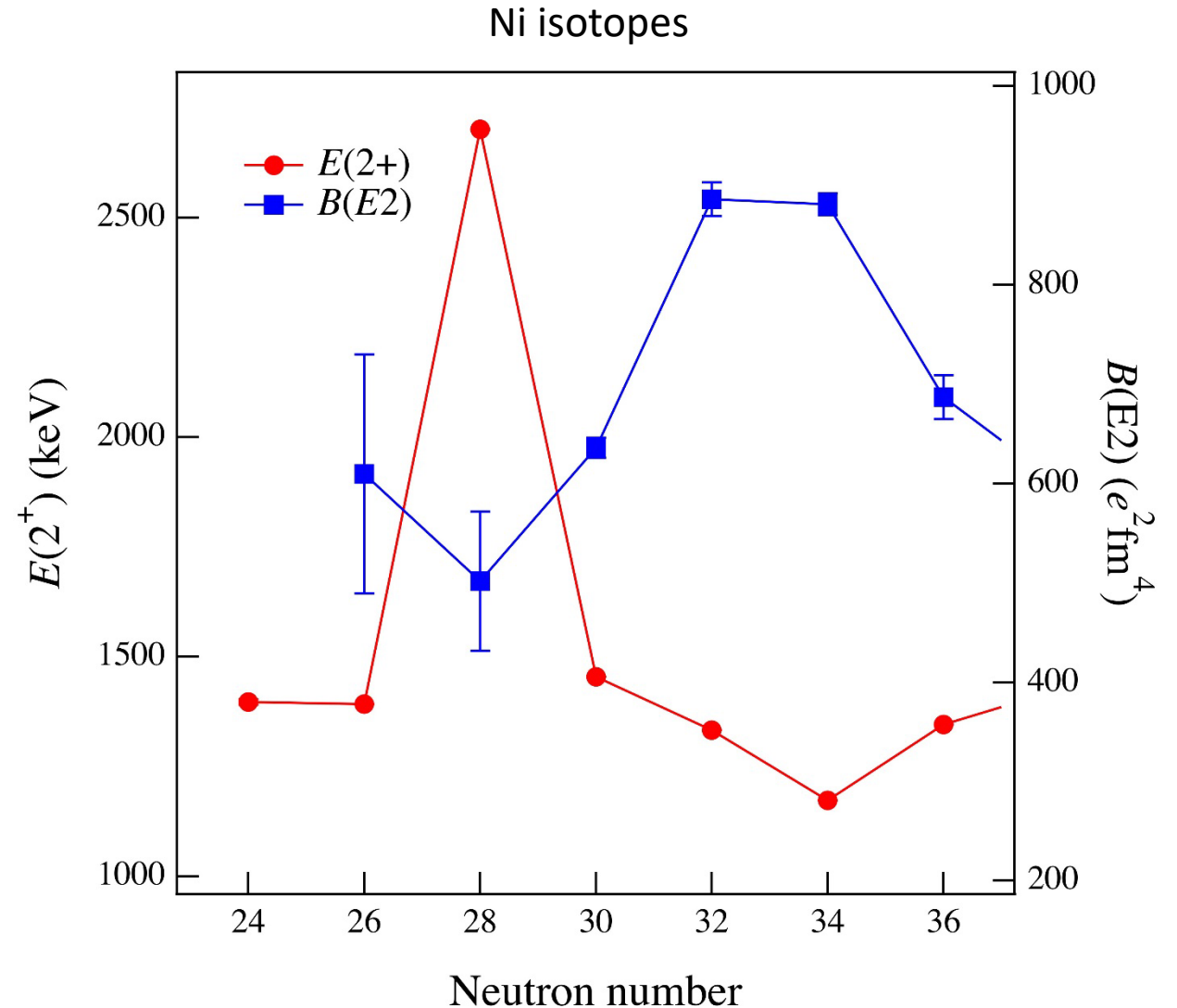


## $^{56}\text{Ni}$ nucleus is “soft”

- High  $E(2^+_{11})$ , but no significant change in  $B(E2)$ 
  - Canonical  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  nucleon configuration: 50% in  $fp$  shell with FPD6
- Magnetic moment of  $^{56}\text{Ni} \pm$  one nucleon nucleus ( $^{55}\text{Ni}$ ,  $^{55}\text{Co}$ ,  $^{57}\text{Cu}$ ,  $^{57}\text{Ni}$ )
  - Canonical  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  nucleon configuration: 60% in  $fp$  shell with GXPF1



What about the charge radius?  
size, shape and deformation





# Isotope shift $^{52}, ^{53}\text{Fe}$ & $^{56}\text{Fe}$

$$\delta\nu^{56,52} = -1834 \pm 3 \pm 3 \text{ (MHz)}$$

$$\delta\nu^{56,53} = -1249 \pm 4 \pm 3 \text{ (MHz)}$$

Theory + King plot

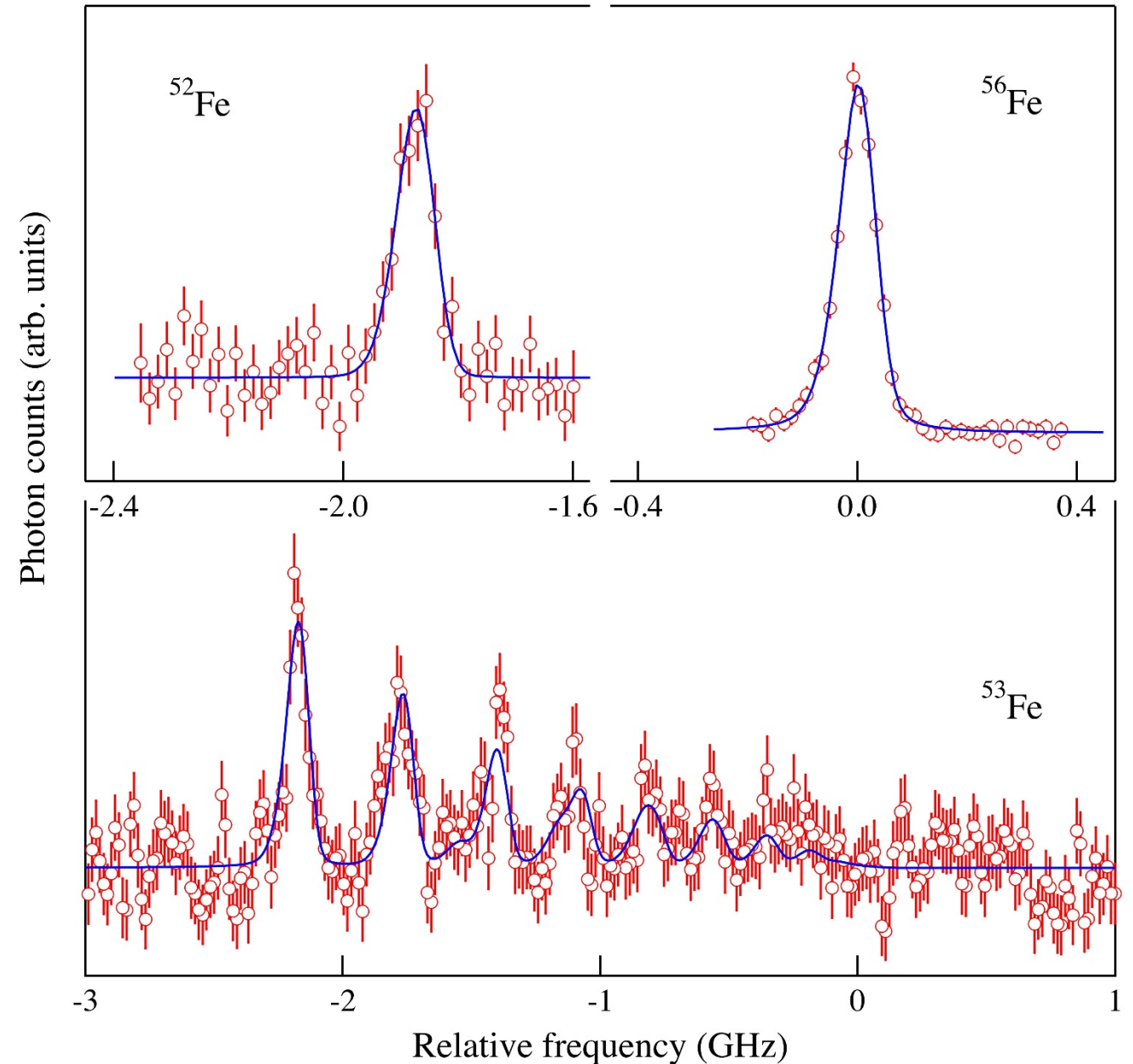
$$\begin{cases} F = -0.52 \pm 0.08 \text{ (GHz/fm}^2\text{): theory} \\ k_{\text{SMS}} = 911 \pm 43 \text{ (GHz amu)} \end{cases}$$

$$\delta\nu^{A,A'} = \nu^{A'} - \nu^A = k \frac{M' - M}{M'M} + F \times \delta\langle r^2 \rangle^{A,A'}$$

$$\delta\langle r^2 \rangle^{56,52} = -0.034 \pm 0.013 \text{ (fm}^2\text{)}$$

$$\delta\langle r^2 \rangle^{56,53} = -0.218 \pm 0.013 \text{ (fm}^2\text{)}$$

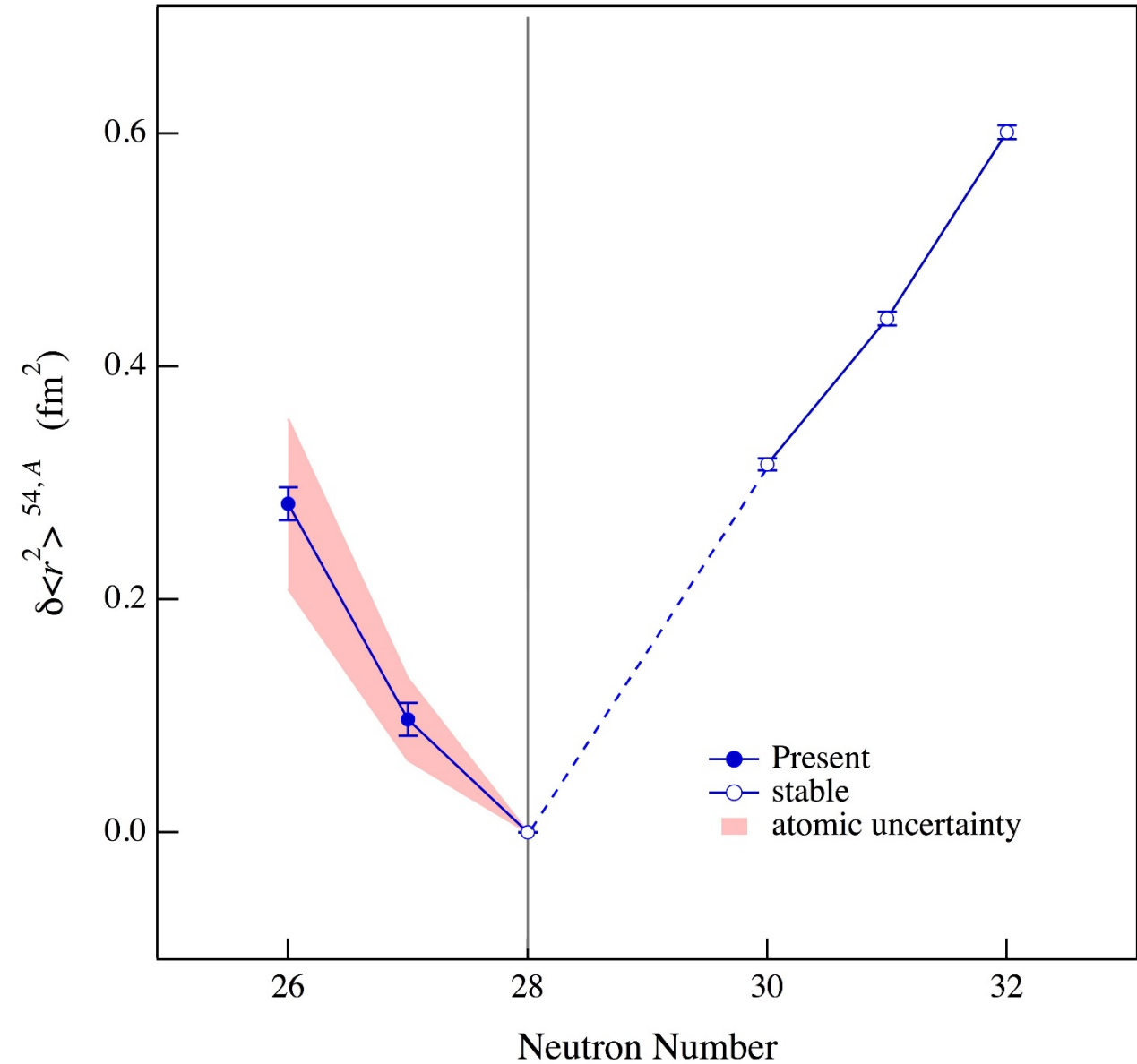
$^5\text{D}_4 \leftrightarrow ^5\text{F}_5$  transition in Fe I at  $26874.550 \text{ cm}^{-1}$



Stable Fe-isotope shift: S. Krins et al., PRA 80, 062508 (2009);  
 Stable Fe  $\delta\langle r^2 \rangle$ : G. Fricke & K. Heilig, *Nuclear Charge Radii* (Springer, 2004);  
 Field shift calculation: Multi-configuration Dirac-Fock (MCDF) method;  
 K. Minamisono et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 117, 252501 (2016);  
 A. J. Miller, K. M. et al., Phys. Rev. C 96,054314 (2017).

## $\delta\langle r^2 \rangle^{54,A}$ of Fe isotopes

- Shell closure signature; “Kink” at  $N = 28$
- Radii of  $^{52}\text{Fe}$  and  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  similar

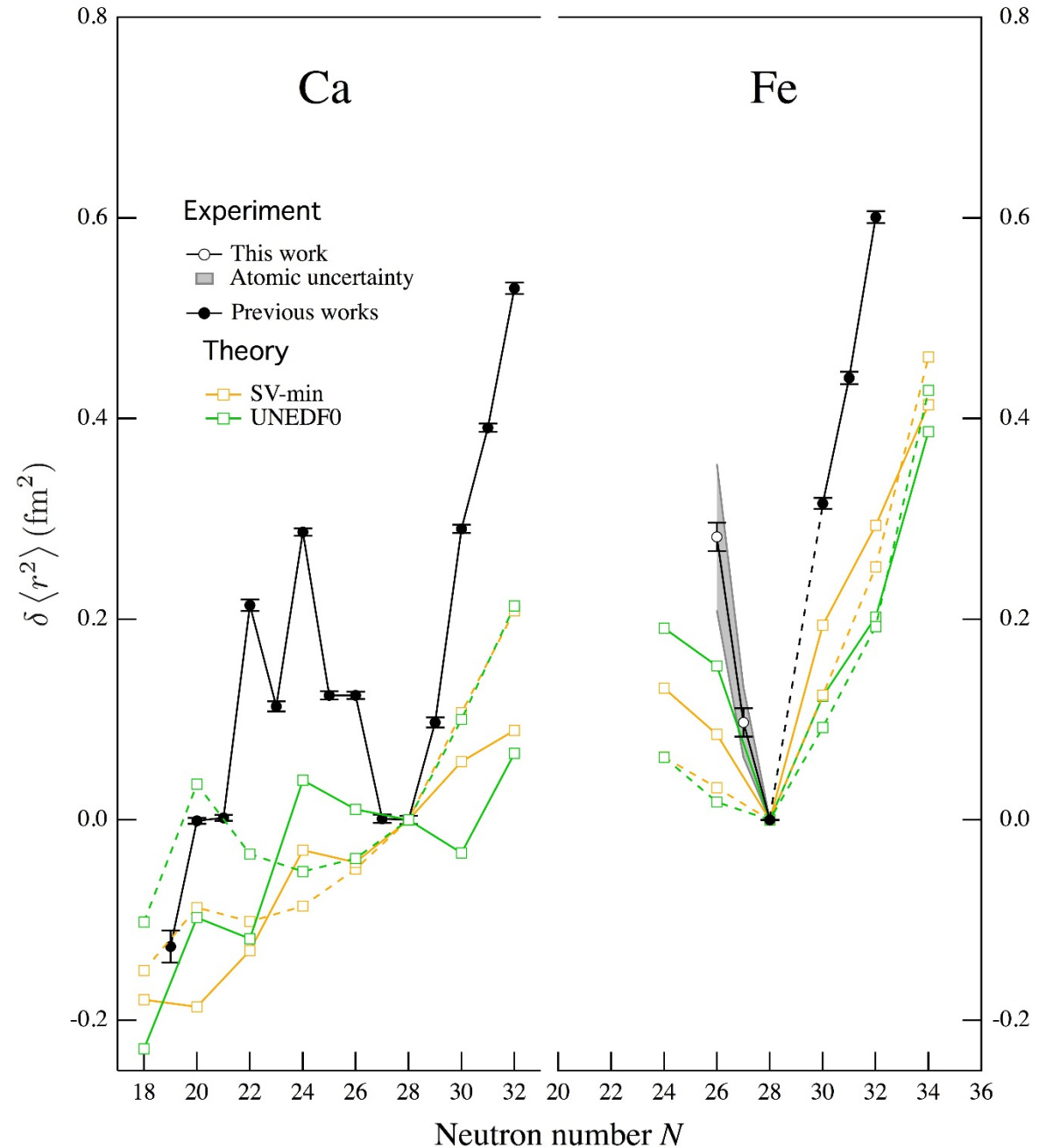




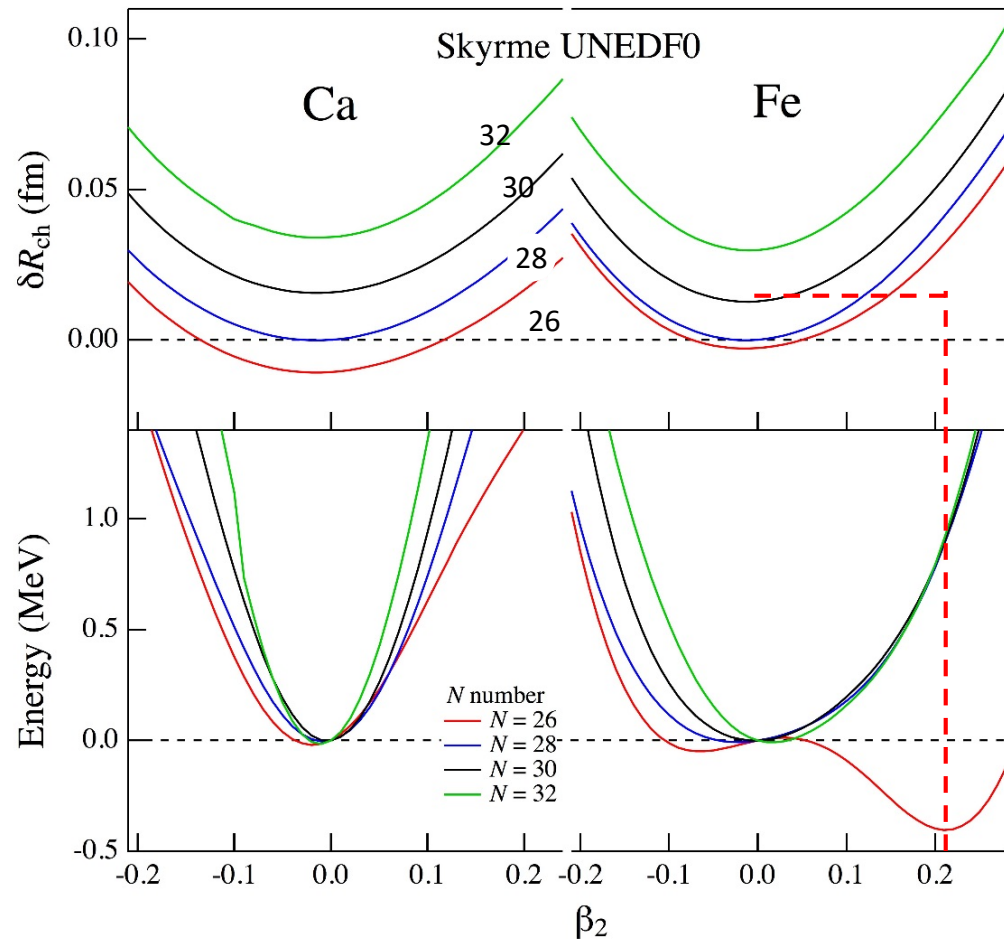
# DFT calculation for Ca & Fe

## Skyrme EDF

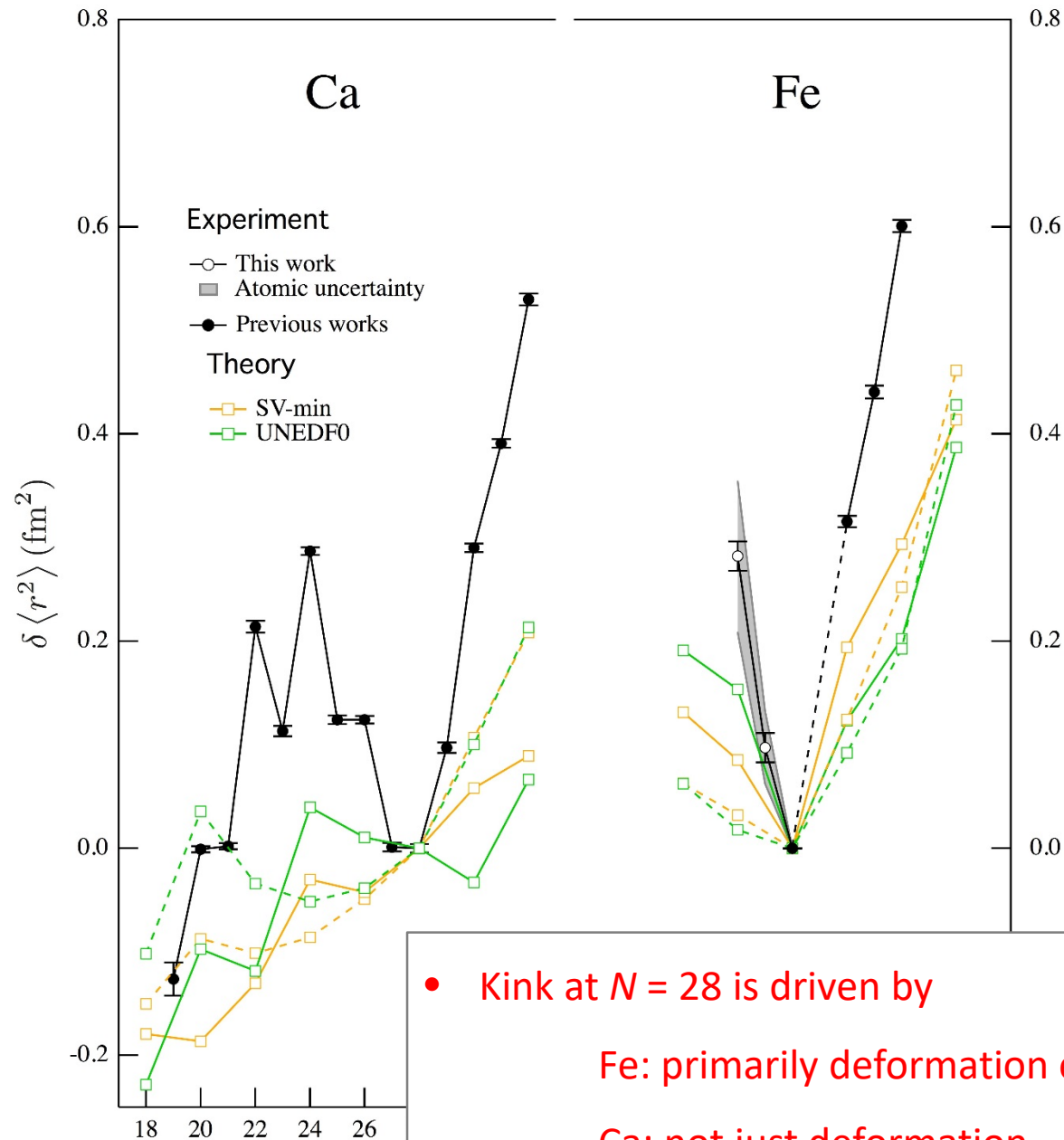
- Spherical shape (dashed line)  
No good agreement
- Deformed shape (solid line)  
No good for Ca  
Kink better reproduced for Fe



## DFT calculation for Ca & Fe Skyrme EDF

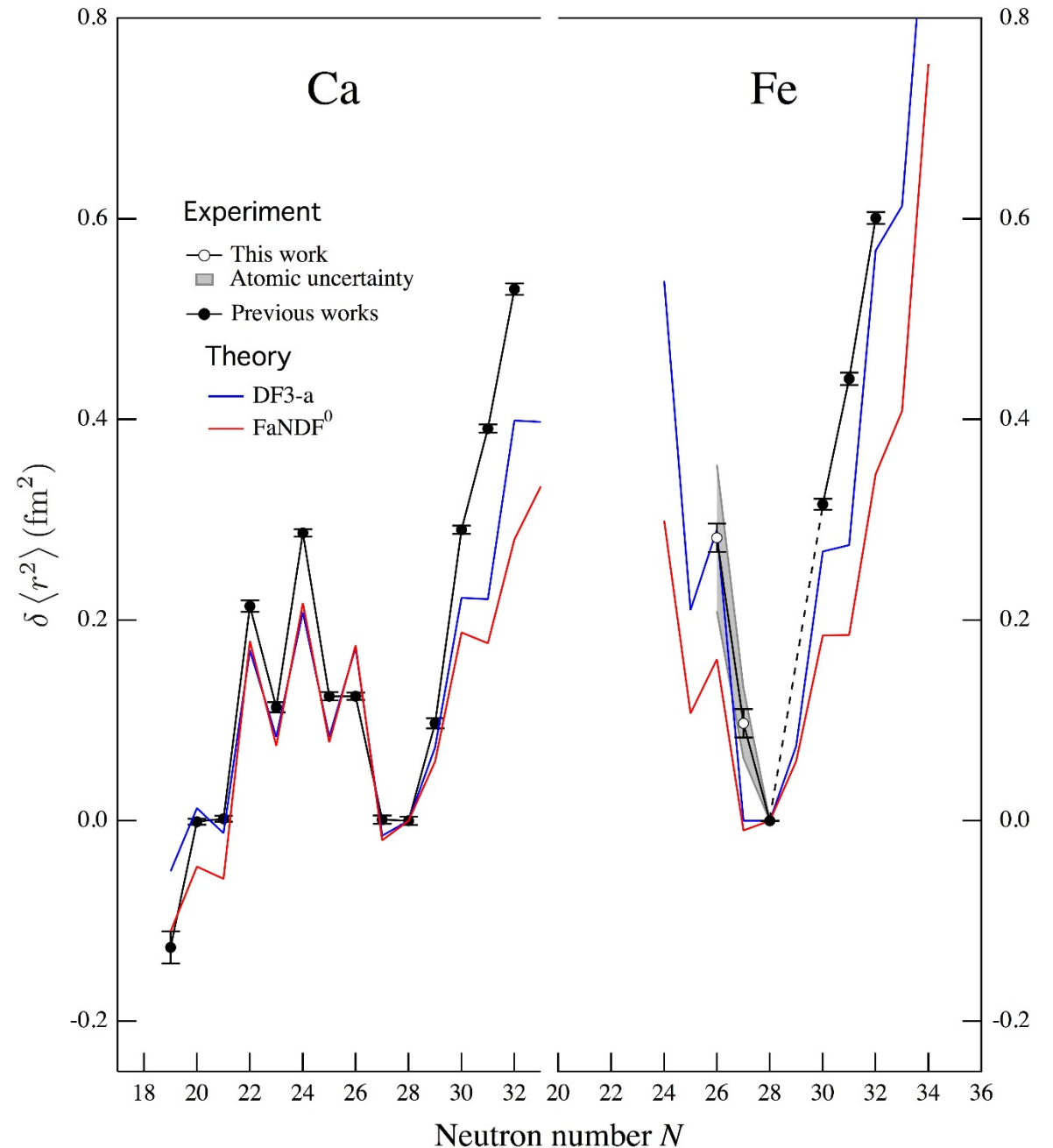


Consistent with  $B(E2)$  of  $^{52}\text{Fe}$  isotopes.  
 K. L. Yurkewicz et al. PRC70, 034301 (2004).

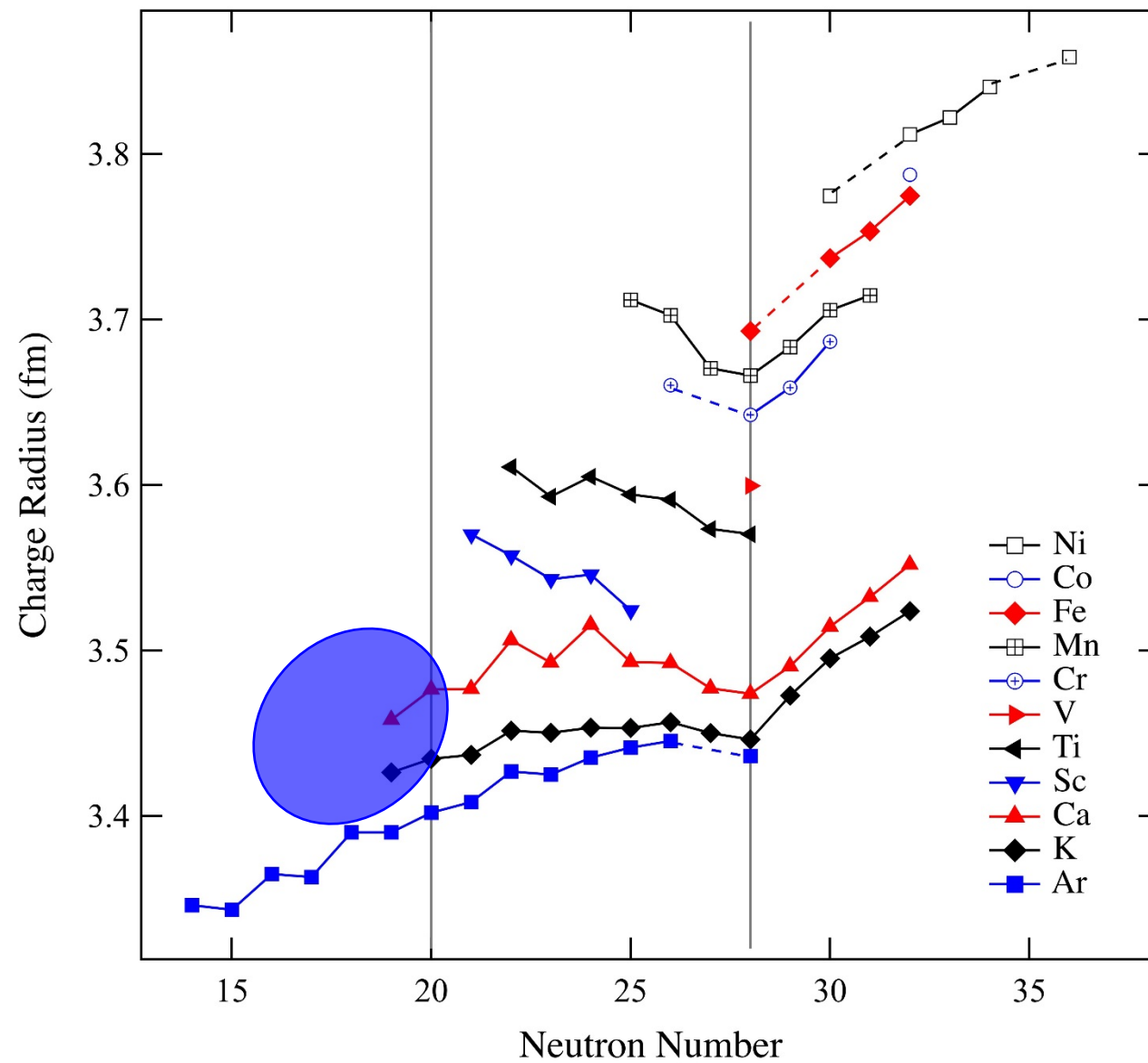


## DFT calculation for Ca and Fe: 2 Fayans EDF

- a nuclear-density gradient dep. pairing term.  
(coupling to surface vibrations)
- Parameters for the pairing term fitted to  $S_n$ .
- Spherical shape
- **Very good overall agreement** though
  - underestimate  $R_{\text{ch}}$  of very heavy Ca
  - overestimate odd-even staggering for Fe



## Current interests: Ca & Ni at $N = 20$ & 28

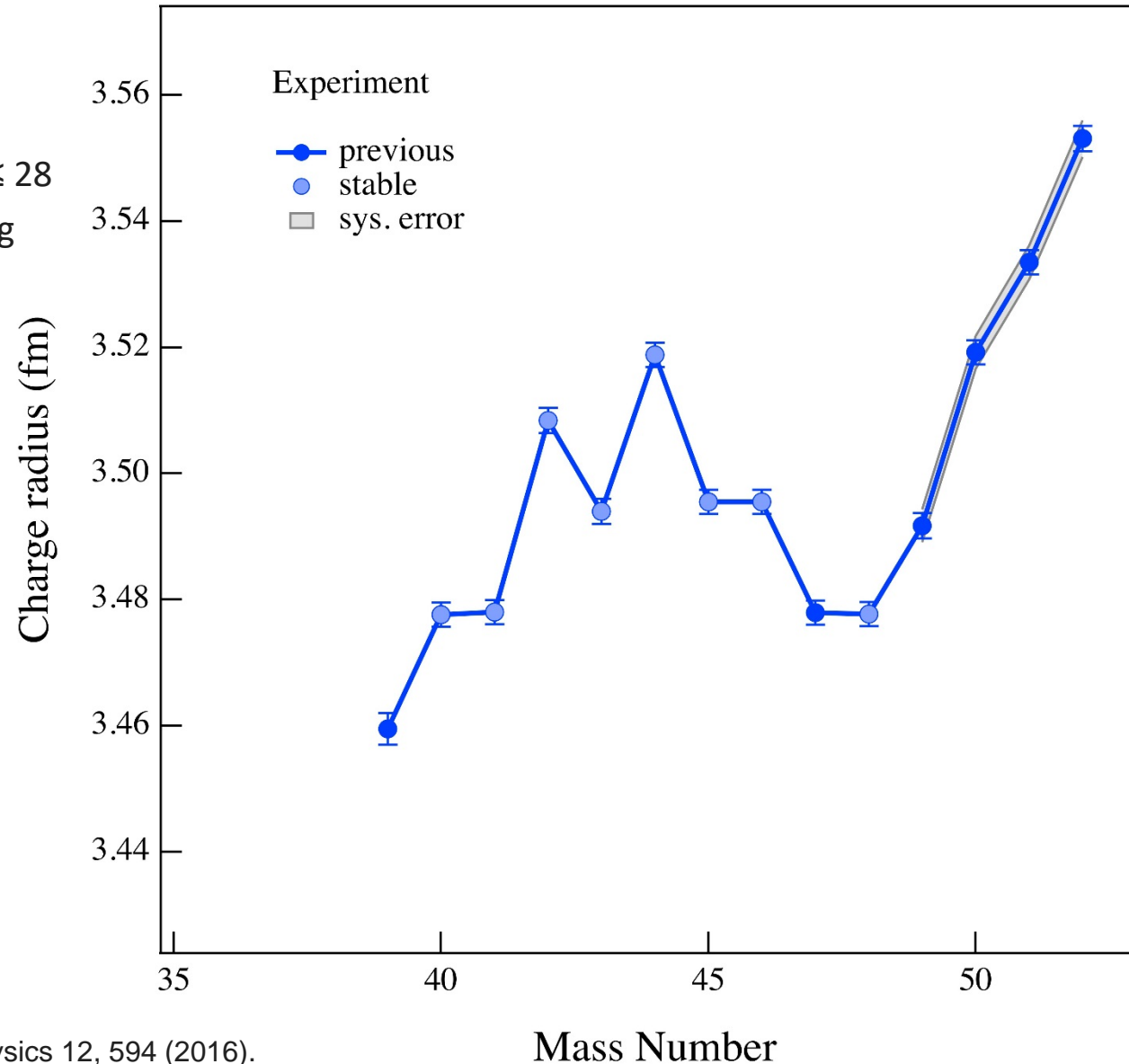


## Example: charge radii of Ca isotopes

A “textbook” example

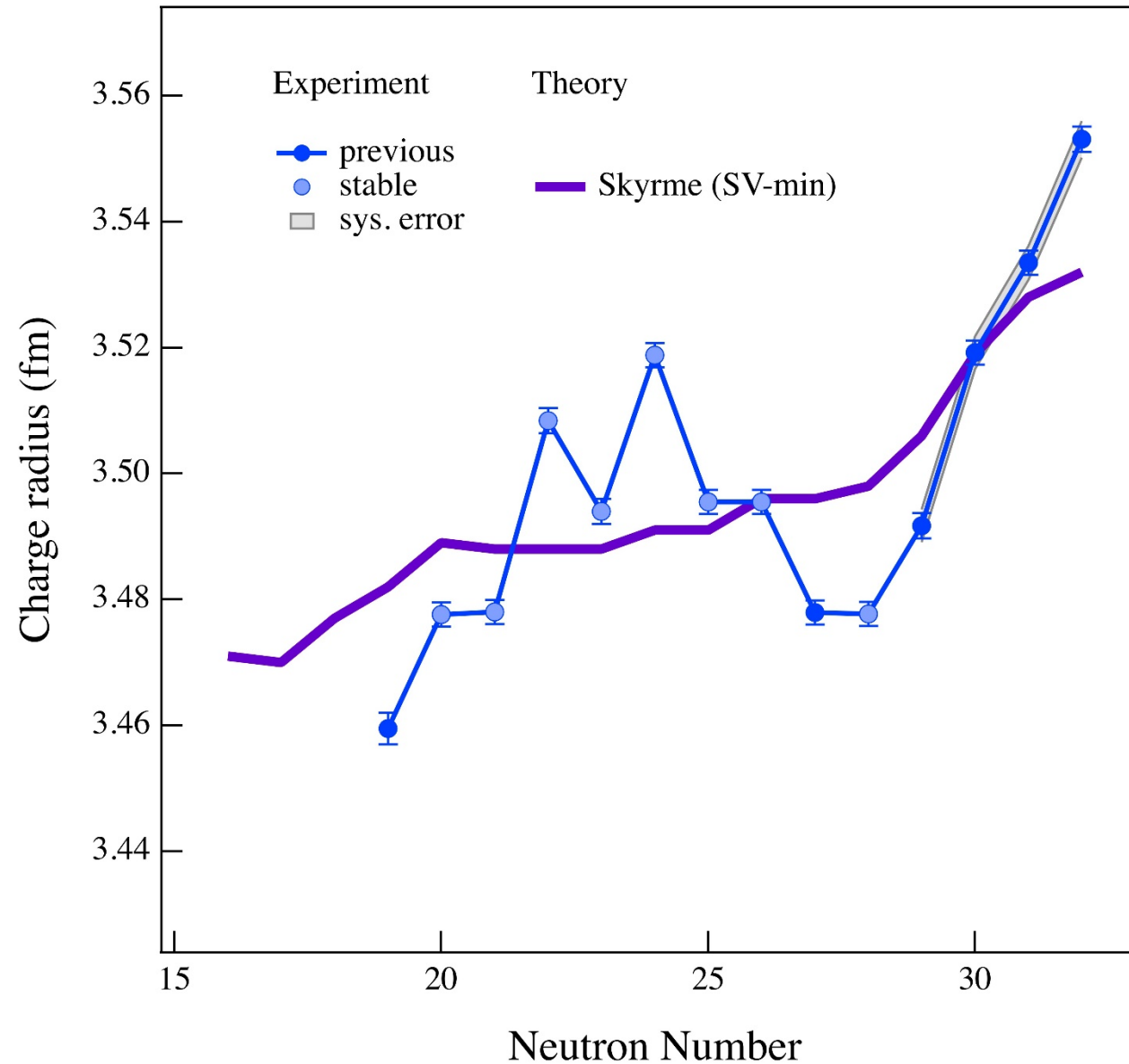
- $r(^{48}\text{Ca}) \approx r(^{40}\text{Ca})$
- Parabolic shape in  $20 \leq N \leq 28$
- Strong odd-even staggering
- Steep increase  $N \geq 28$
- No “kink” at  $N = 20$

Ca radii show a very intricate pattern.





## Charge radii of Ca isotopes

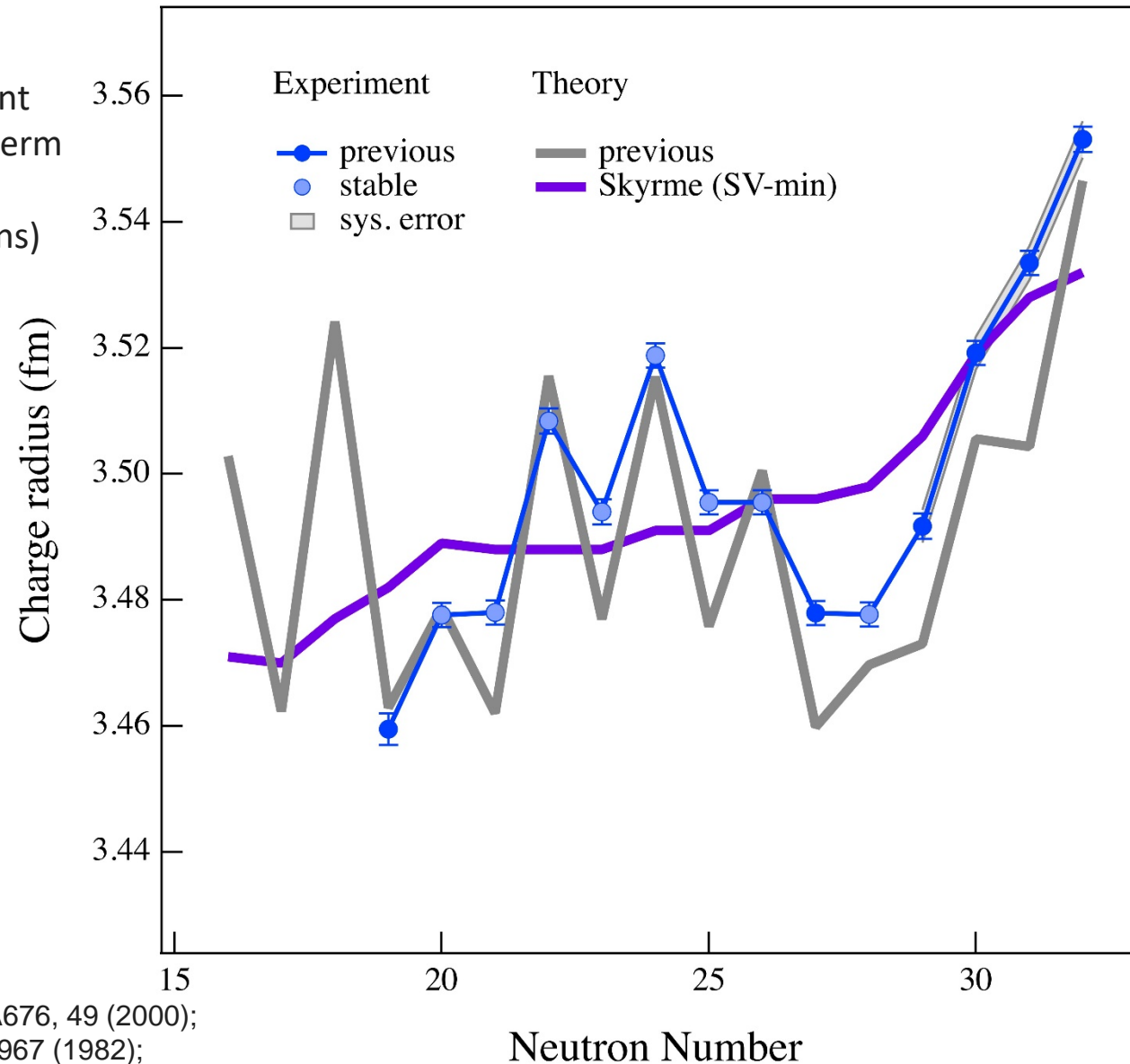


Typically DFT with Skyrme EDF does not reproduce details of the chain of Ca charge radii.

## Charge radii of Ca isotopes

Fayans EDF

- Density gradient dependent pairing term
- Reflects surface phonons (vibrations)

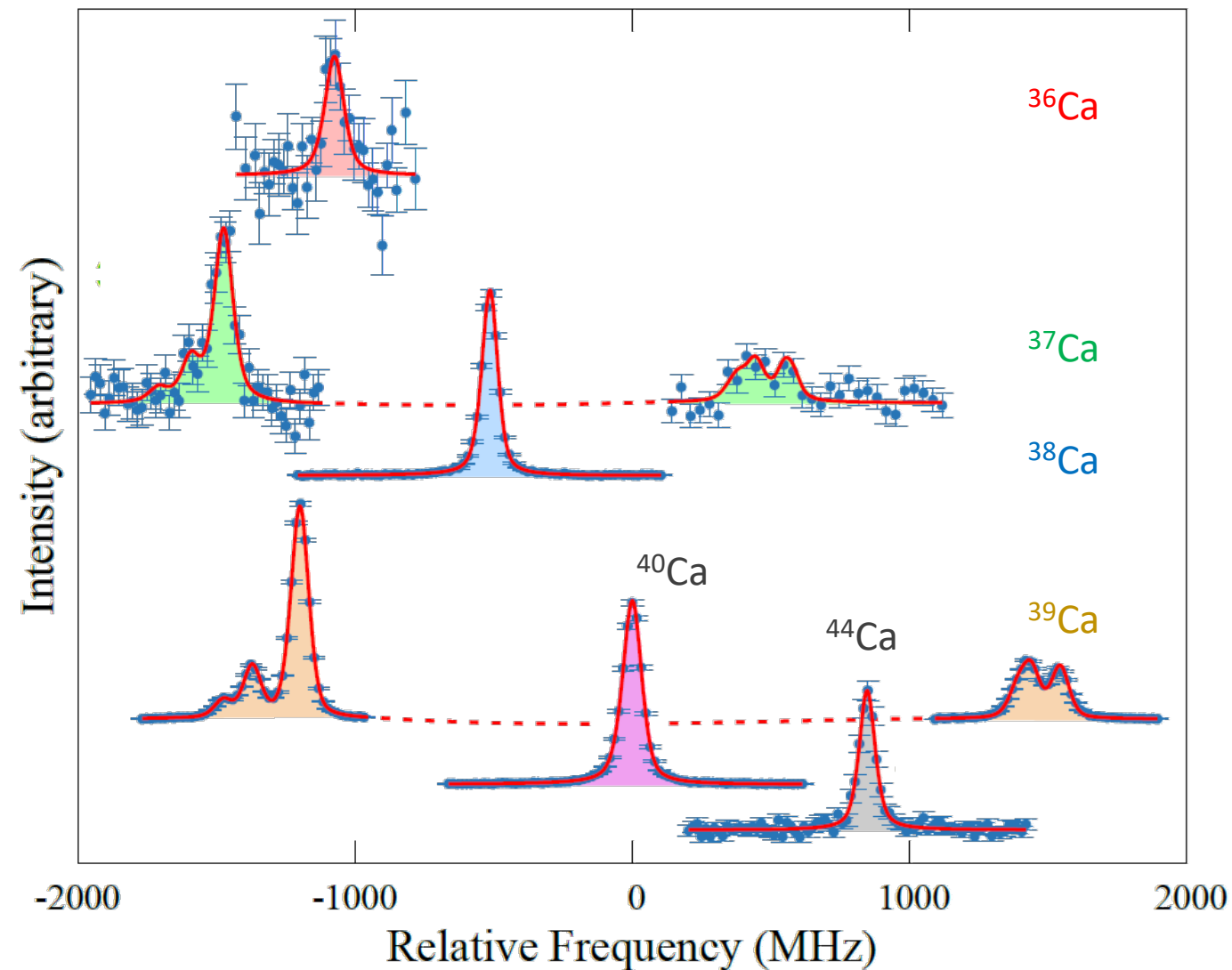


Fayans EDF does good job, but some discrepancy, and predicts very large radii for light Ca.

Theory: S. A. Fayans et al., Nucl. Phys. A676, 49 (2000);  
V. A. Khodel et al., J. Phys. G 8, 967 (1982);  
P. -G. Reinhard and W. Nazarewicz, PRC 95, 064328 (2017).

## Isotope shift of HFS for neutron-deficient Ca

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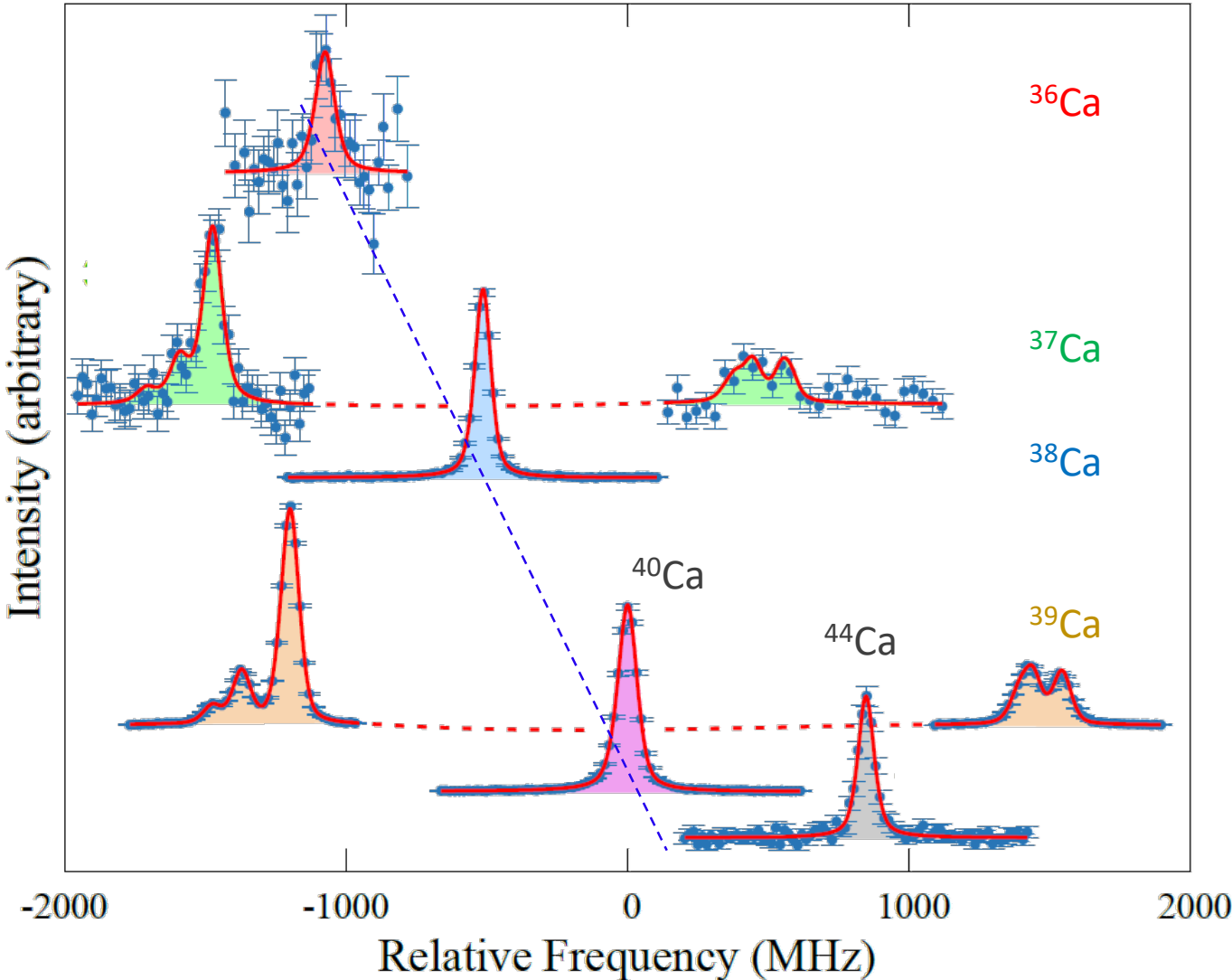
| rate (1/s) | $T_{1/2}$ (ms) |
|------------|----------------|
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| 960        | 181            |
| 13.5k      | 440            |
| 60k        | 859.6          |

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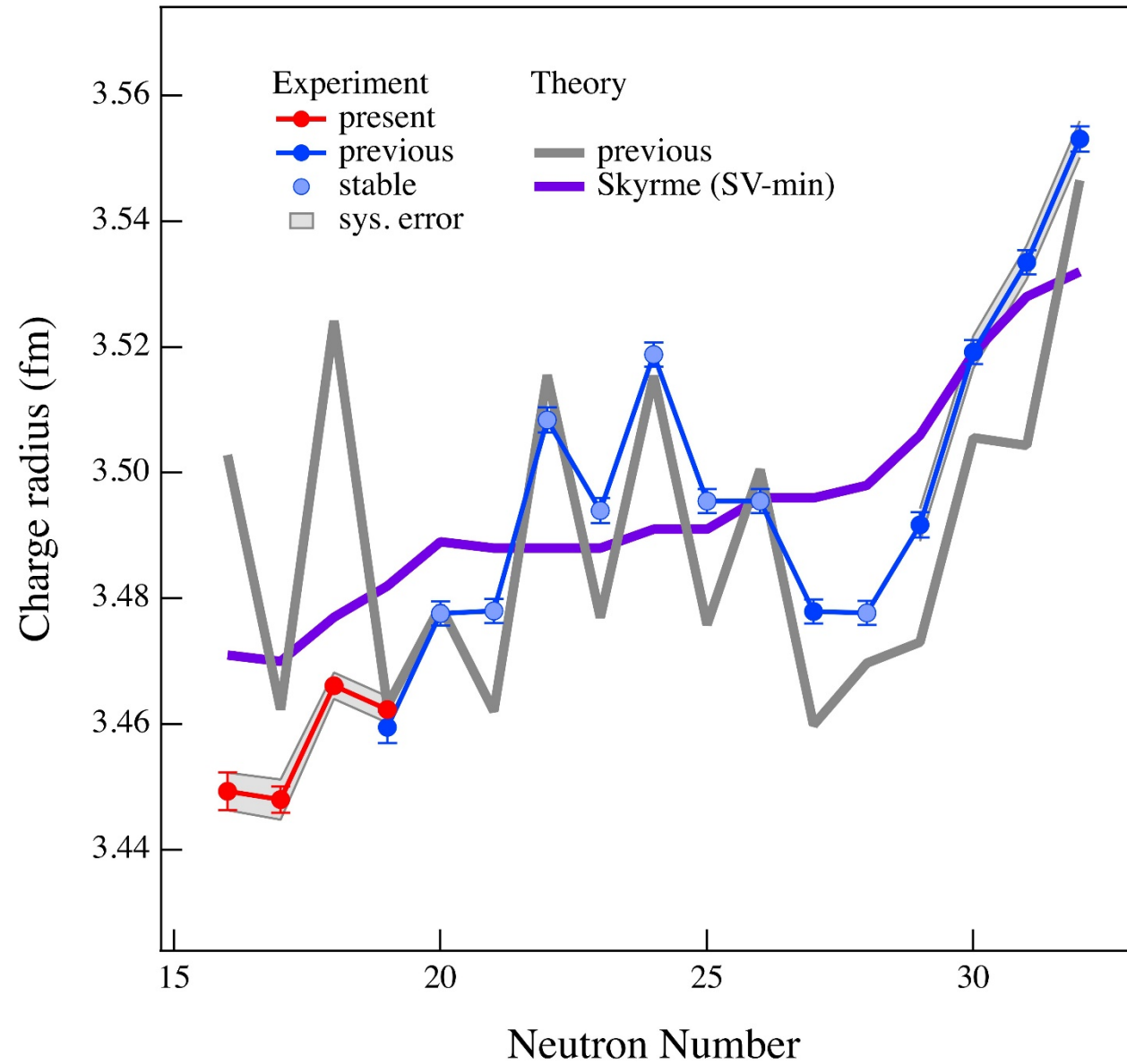
Atomic factors well determined:  
 $\begin{cases} k = 409.35(42) \text{ GHz amu} \\ F = -284.7(82) \text{ MHz fm}^{-2} \end{cases}$



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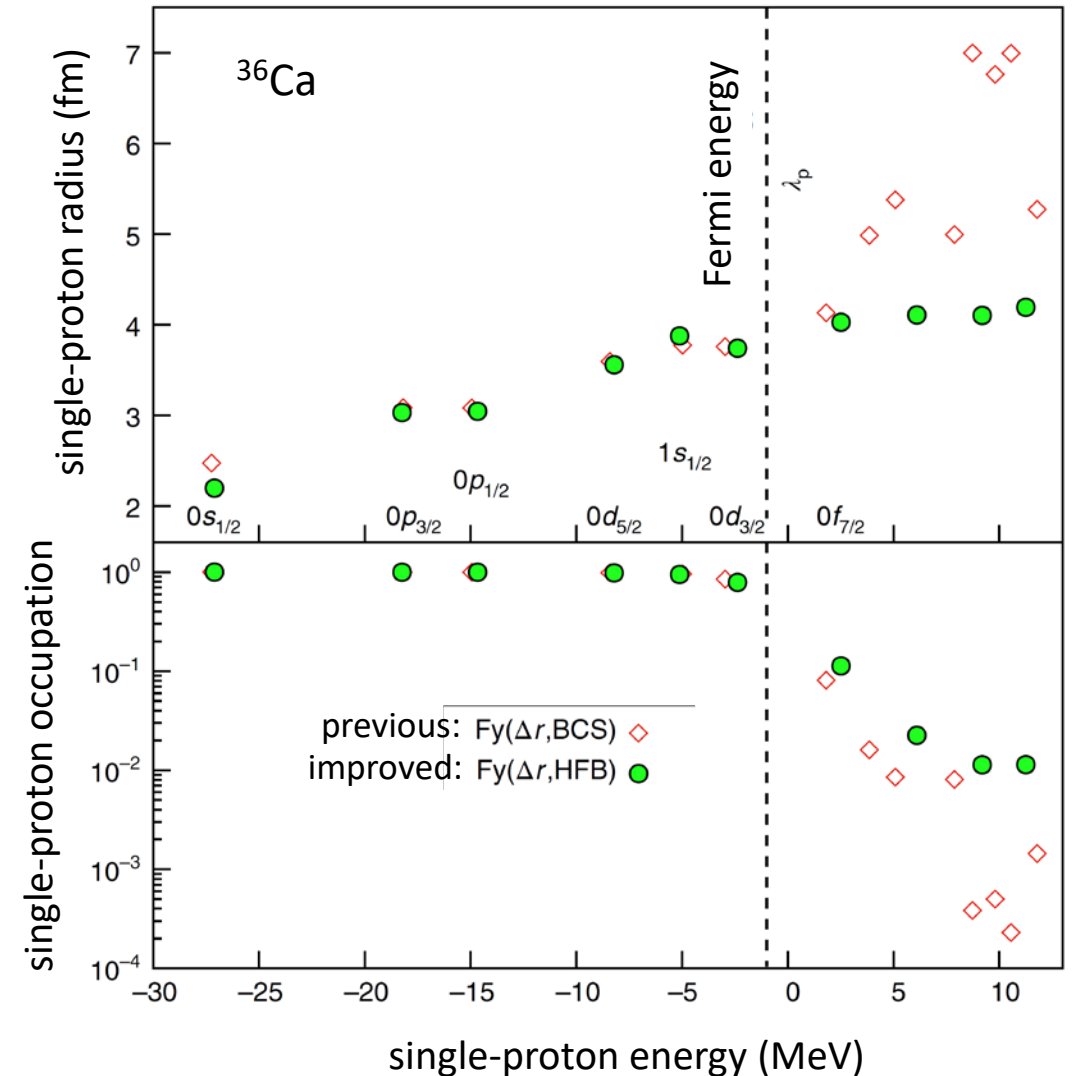
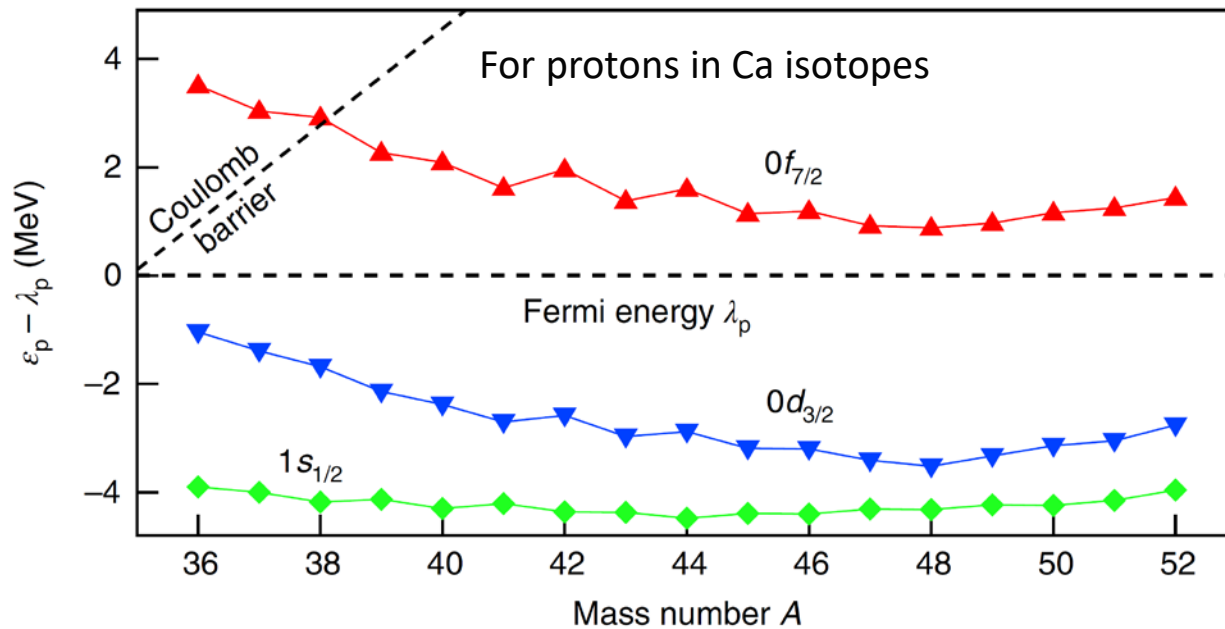
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## Charge radii of Ca isotopes



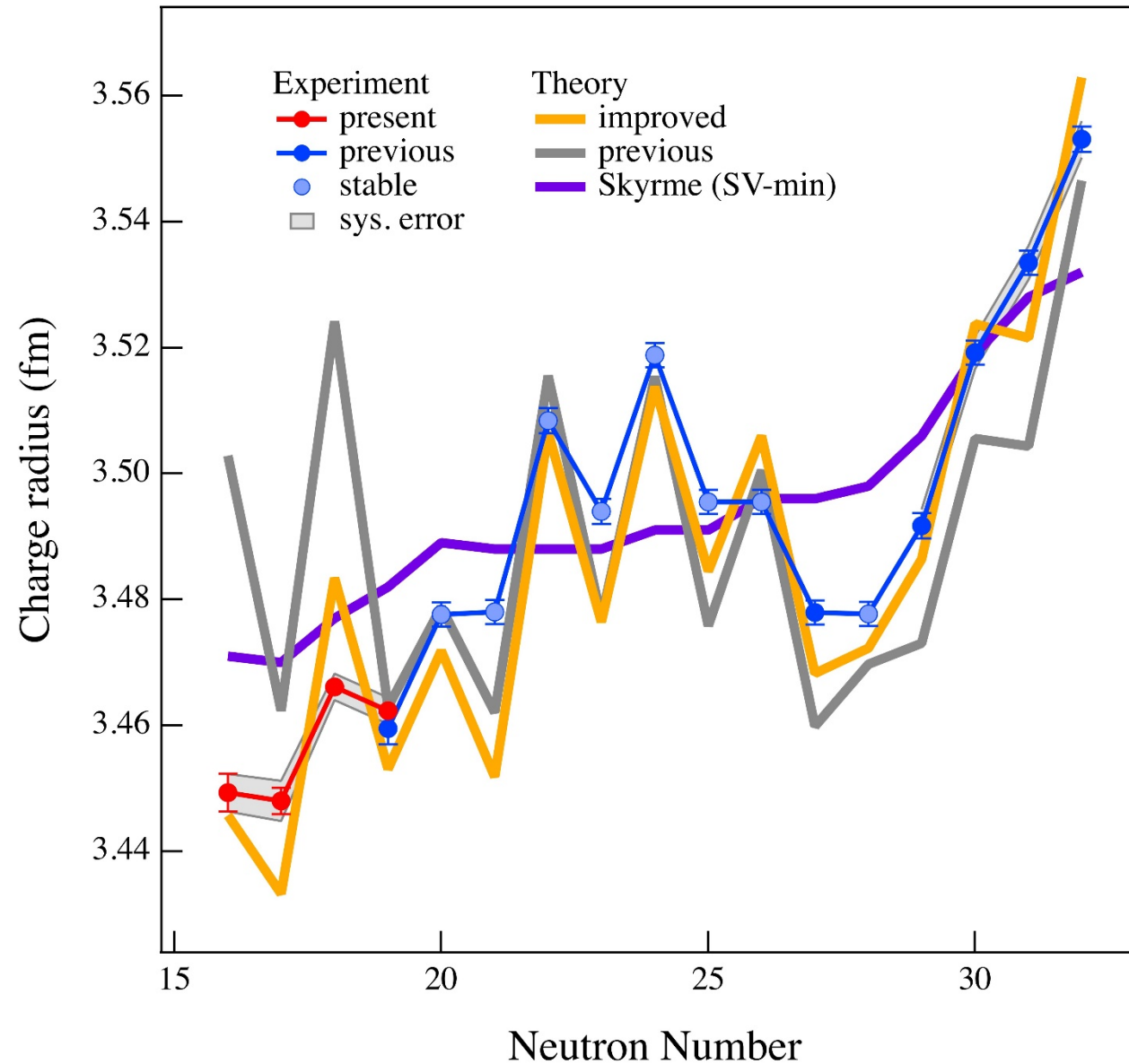
## Weakly-bound protons

- Moving toward  $^{36}\text{Ca}$ , the  $0f_{7/2}$  state rises above the Coulomb barrier.
- Pairing interaction can scatter proton pairs into particle continuum (superfluidity).
- Improved theory avoids the nonphysical increase of radius in the continuum





## Charge radii of Ca isotopes



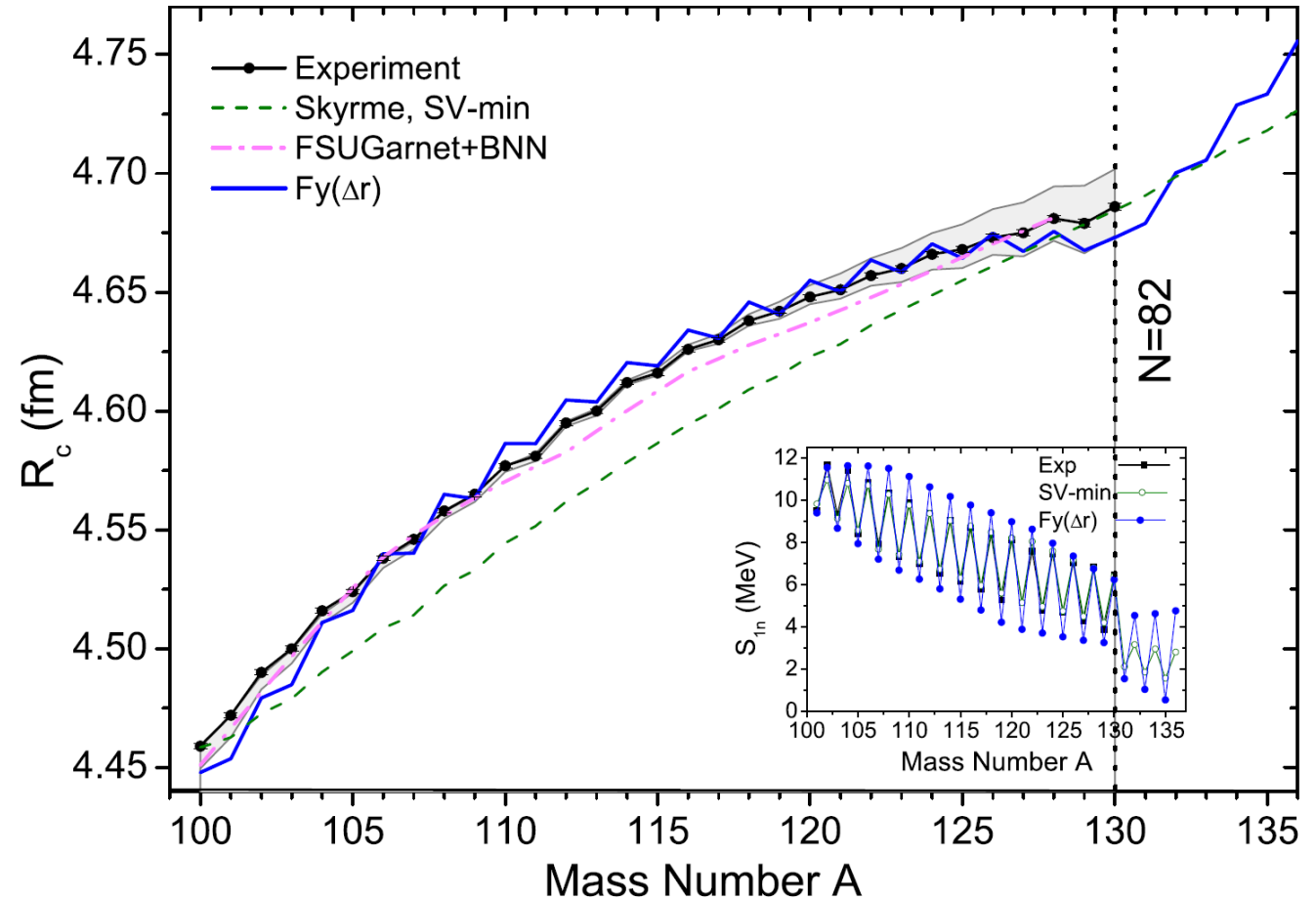
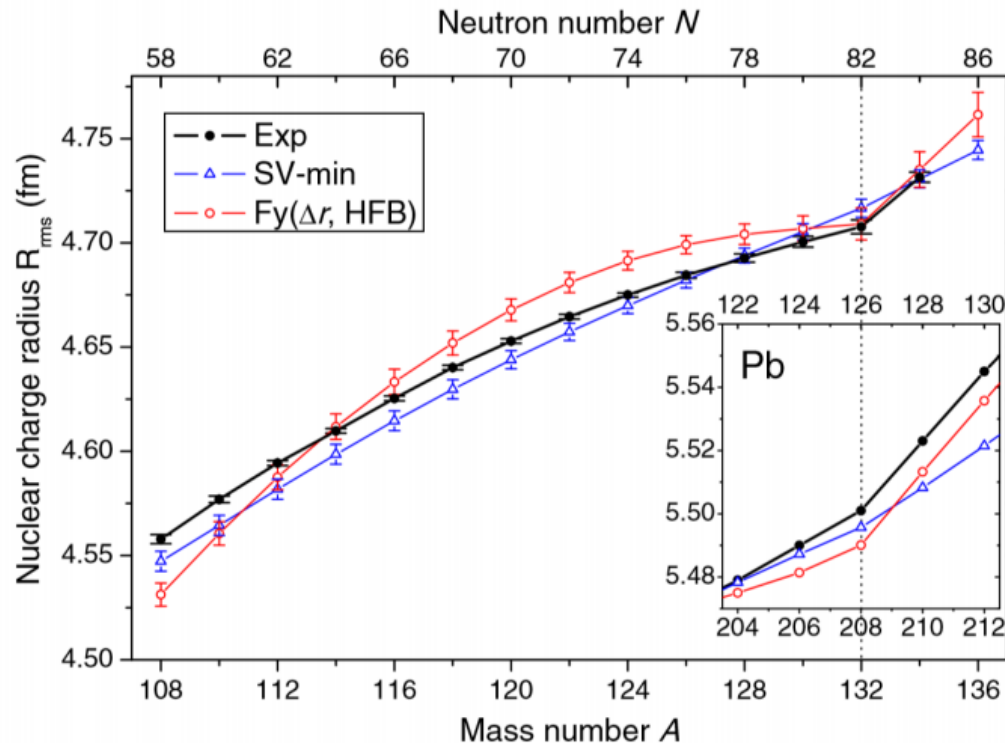
Improved theory explains  
Cd radii very well.

Need better understanding of  
odd-even staggering.

## Fayans EDF for Cd and Sn isotopes

Fayans EDF for Ca works for Cd and Sn

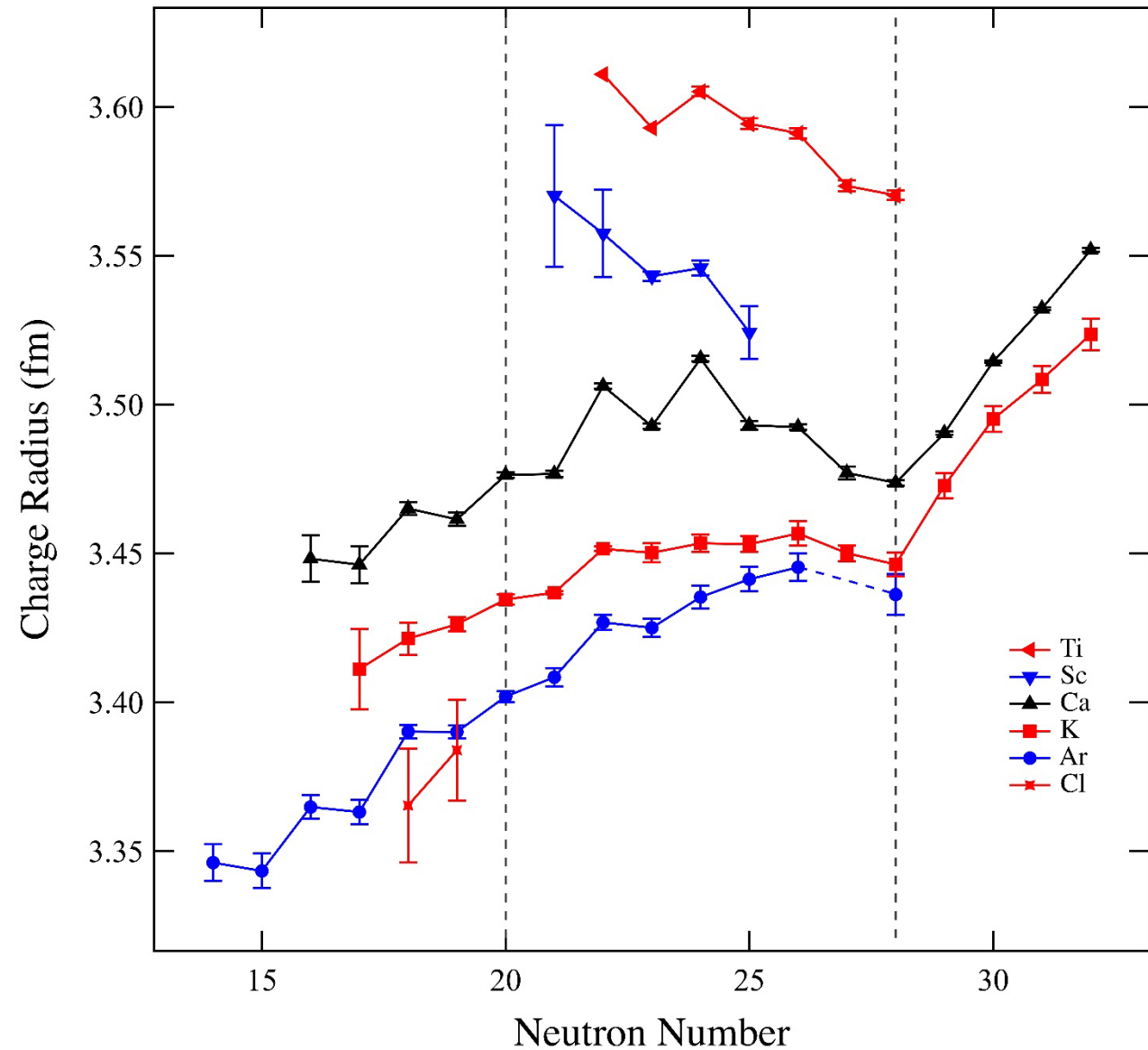
- Fayans EDF captures important mechanism that works at (far) different locations in the nuclear chart.
- Important step towards a global model



Cd: M. Hammen et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 102501 (2018).  
 Sn: C. Gorges et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 122, 192502 (2019).

## Charge radii around Ca

- No “kink” at  $N = 20$
- Change the sign of slope at  $N = 20$   
between Ca and Sc
- Approved experiment on Sc  
(NSCL e18024: A. Klose spokesperson)



## Summary/future prospects

**BECOLA is a laser spectroscopy facility at NSCL/FRIB/MSU,  
complementing capabilities at ISOL type facilities.**

Experiments on neutron-deficient Sc and Ni before NSCL is shut down.

FRIB operation anticipated to start in 2022.

“Day 1” experiment for BECOLA

- $^{52}\text{Ni}$  for mirror charge radii
- Proton emitters e.g.  $^{147}\text{Tm}$ ,  $^{156}\text{Ta}^{g, m}$
- Extending radii of key nuclei e.g. Ca
- Light mass elements e.g. O and F
- .....

and last but not least...

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