

Position sensitive Focal plane Detectors for Heavy Ions Spectrometers

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- What for?
- Detector features
- Present status
- CVD-diamond detectors: an option for the future?



Atomic Physics with relativistic Highly Charged Ions

Atomic Structure and Collision Dynamics studies using cold beams of

- few electrons heavy ions: H-like, He-like, Li-like,etc.
- relativistic energies: $10 \text{ MeV/u} < E_{ion} < 400 \text{ MeV/u}$ ($15\% \leq \frac{v_{ion}}{c} \leq 70\%$)

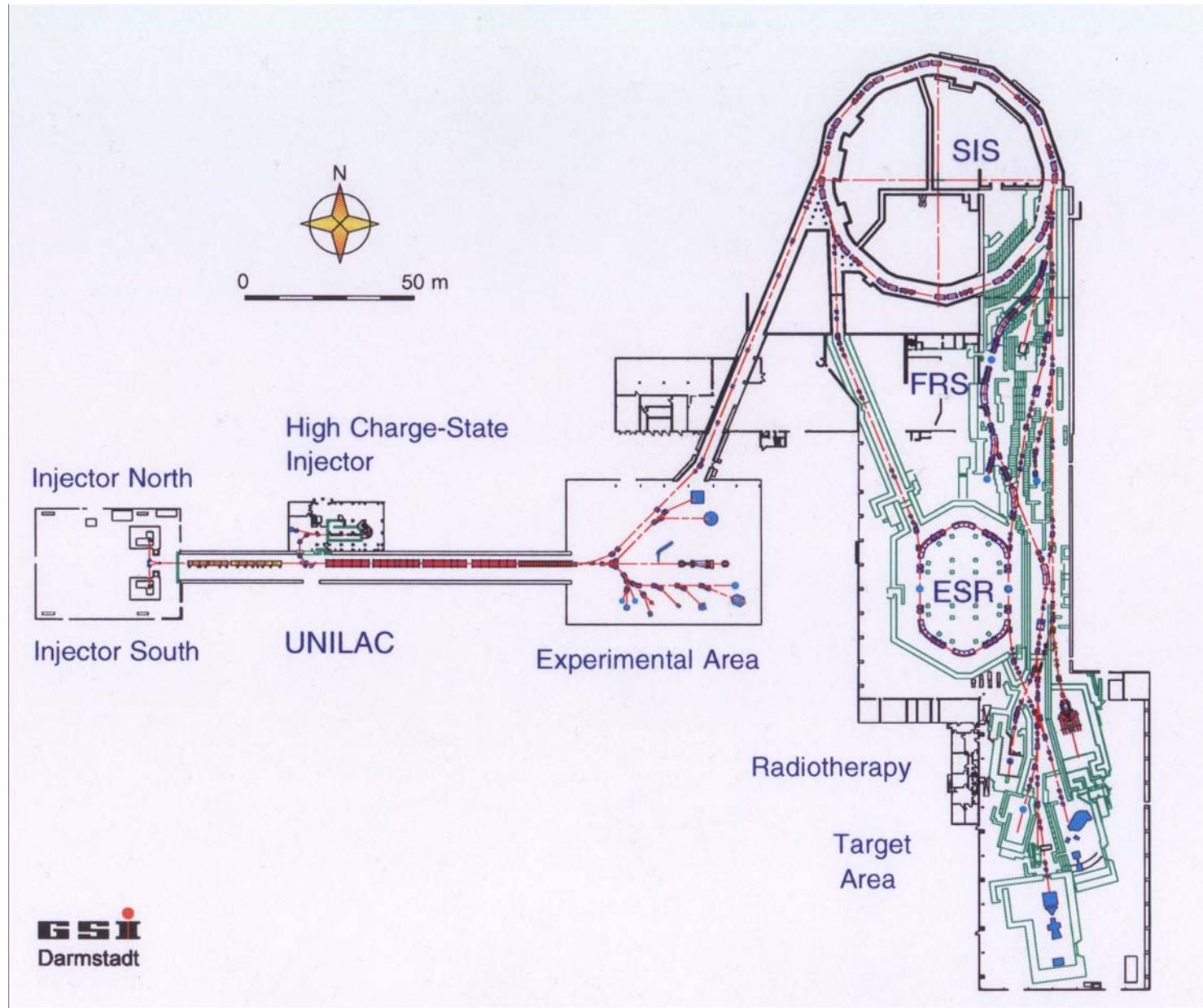
to determine

- total and differential cross sections for excitation / de-excitation, ionization / capture processes \longleftrightarrow x-ray emission, charge exchange
- life time measurements of atomic states
- impact parameter dependent studies of atomic processes

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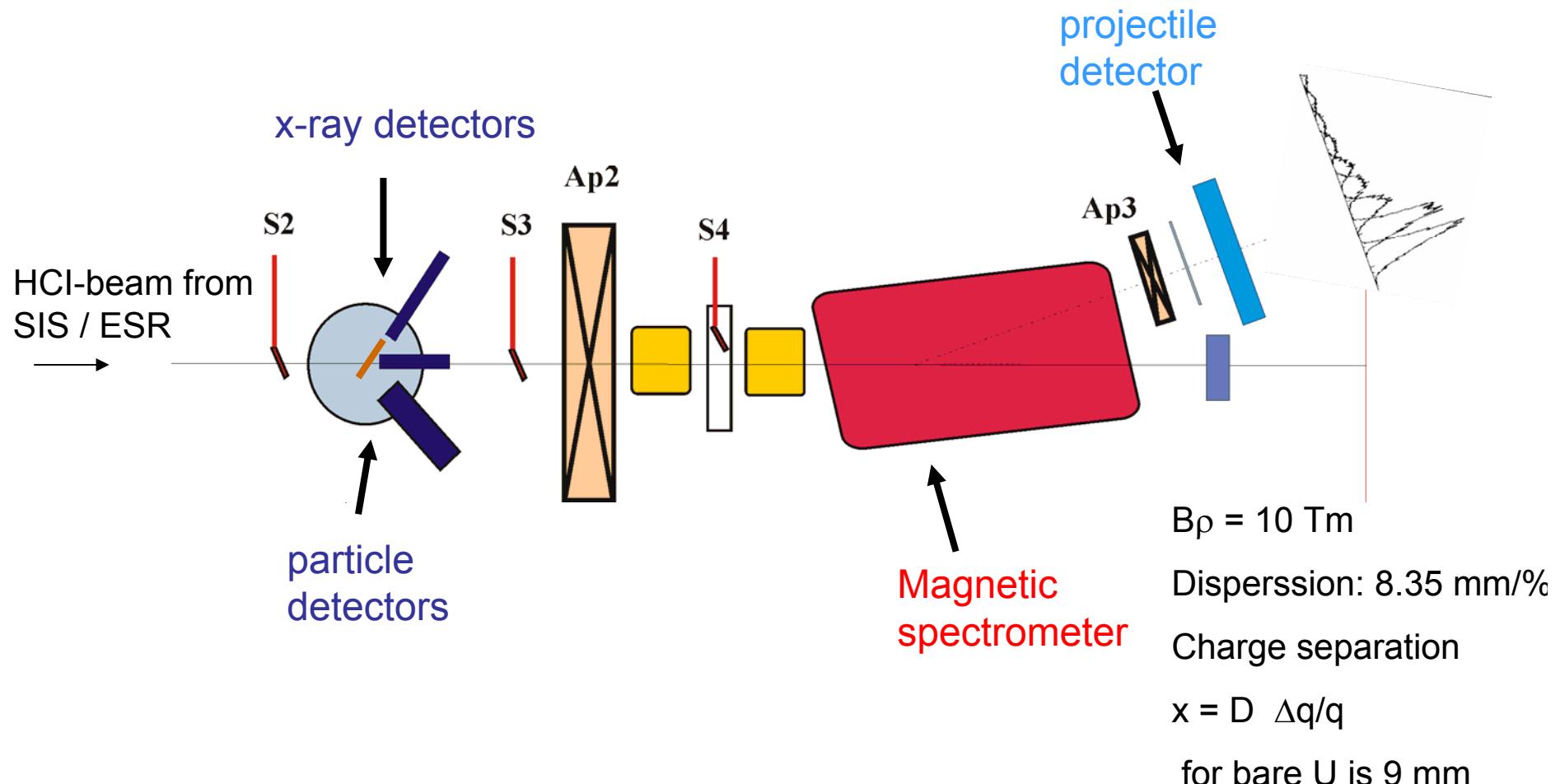
- particle-particle coincidence
- x ray-particle coincidence
- charge state selection using
 - magnetic spectrometer
 - time-of-flight



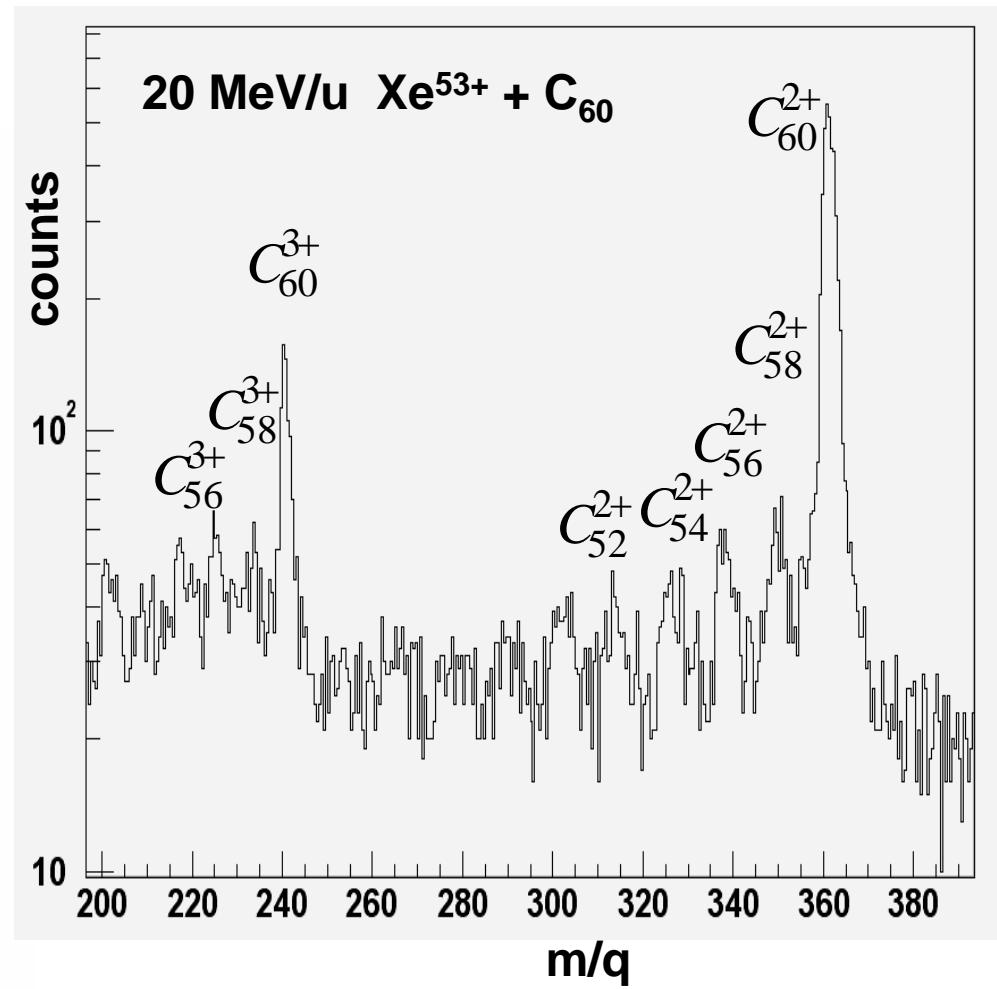
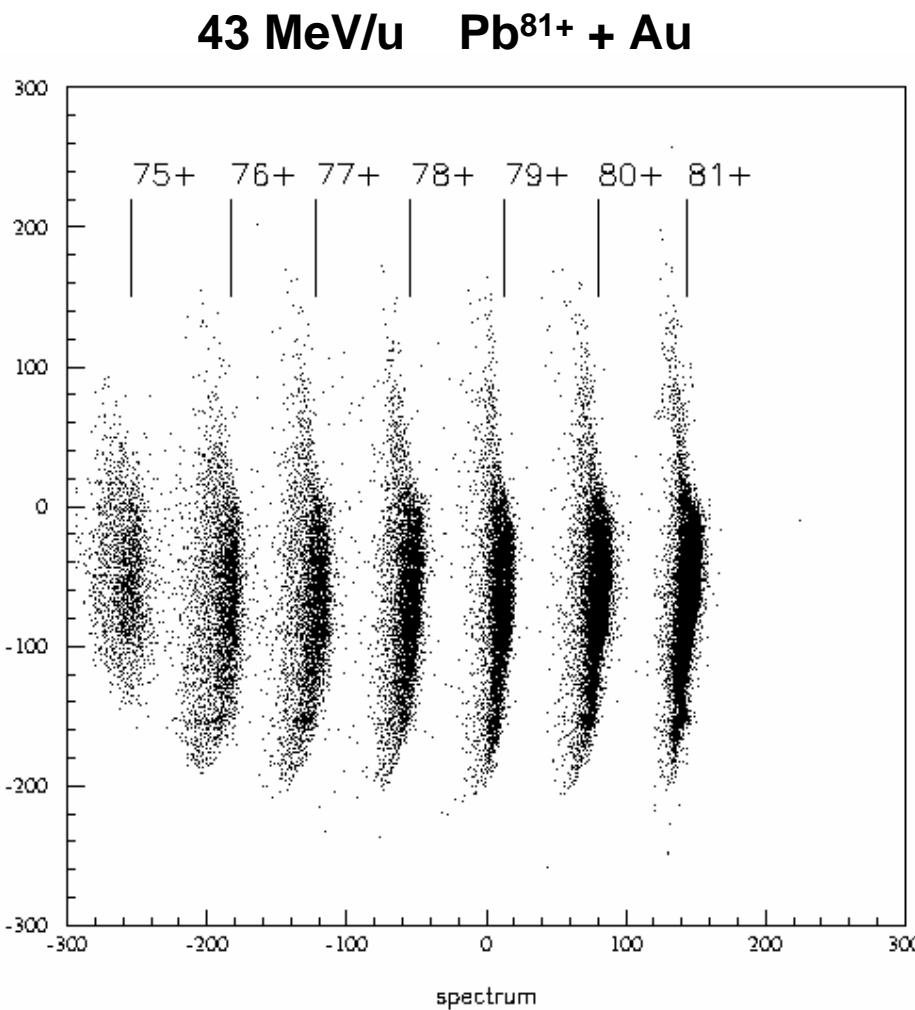


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Vacancy transfer in inner shells of super heavy quasimolecules



Two-dimensional Position Sensitive Heavy Ion Detection



Two-dimensional position sensitive Heavy Ion Detector

Detector capabilities:

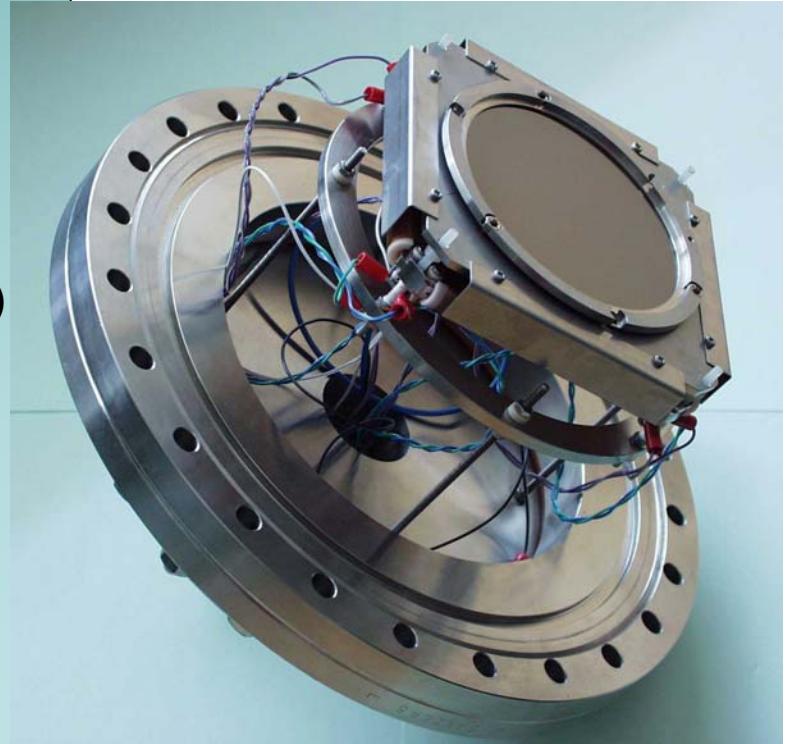
- position resolution: $\frac{\Delta x}{x} \cong 0.2 \text{ mm}$ and $\frac{\Delta y}{y} \cong 0.2 \text{ mm}$
- time resolution: $0.5 \text{ ns} \leq \frac{\Delta t}{t} \leq 1 \text{ ns}$
- count rate: up to $10^6 \text{ s}^{-1} \text{mm}^{-2}$ / 10^{10} s^{-1}
- active area: at least 80 mm x 40 mm
- radiation resistant
- UHV-compatible
- no window

**comfortable handling and
low cost**

Two-dimensional position sensitive MCP-based Heavy Ion Detector

Detector Features

- 😊 multipurpose detector
- 😊 delay-line read out
- 😊 multi hit capability
- 😊 position resolution: $\frac{\Delta x}{x} \leq 0.2 \text{ mm (0.075 mm)}$
- 😊 time resolution: $\frac{\Delta t}{t} \cong 0.5 \text{ ns}$
- 😊 active area: 44.2 cm^2
- 😊 UHV-compatible
- 😊 no window



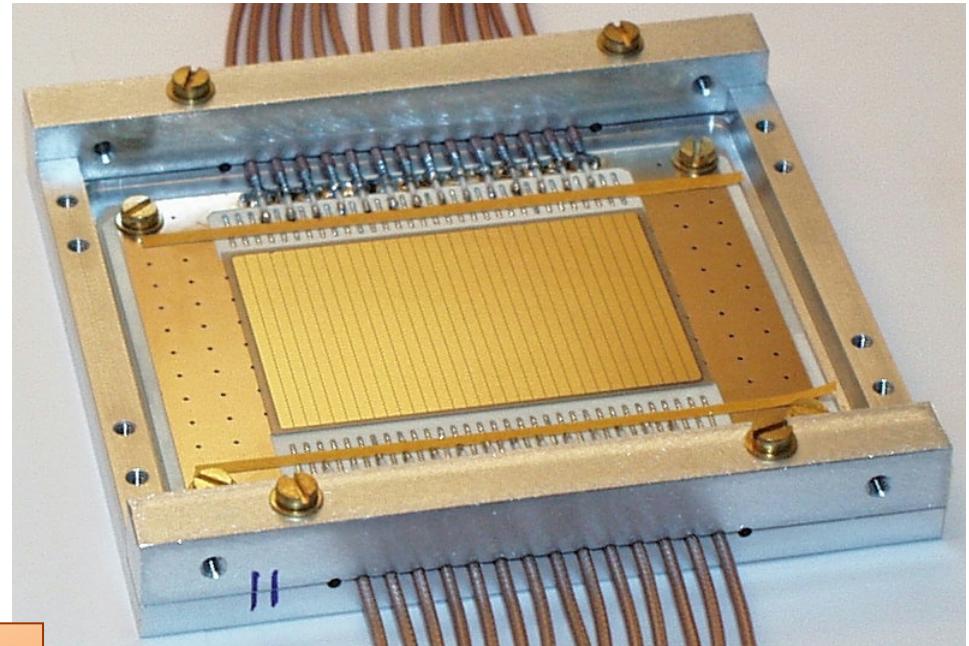
! count rate: $10^2 \text{ s}^{-1}\text{mm}^{-2}$ to $10^3 \text{ s}^{-1}\text{mm}^{-2}$

! life-time: $< 10^4 \text{ U}^{238}$ (20 MeV/u / micro channel)

Position sensitive CVD-Diamond Detector

Detector features:

- active area: 60 mm x 40 mm, 0.2 mm thick CVD-diamond
- one-dimensional sensitive: 32 Au stripes 1.8 mm width, 1.9 mm pitch, $C=16.3 \text{ pF}$
- individual strip read-out



- ! only one dimensional
- ! low granularity
- ! not vacuum compatible

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radiation hardness

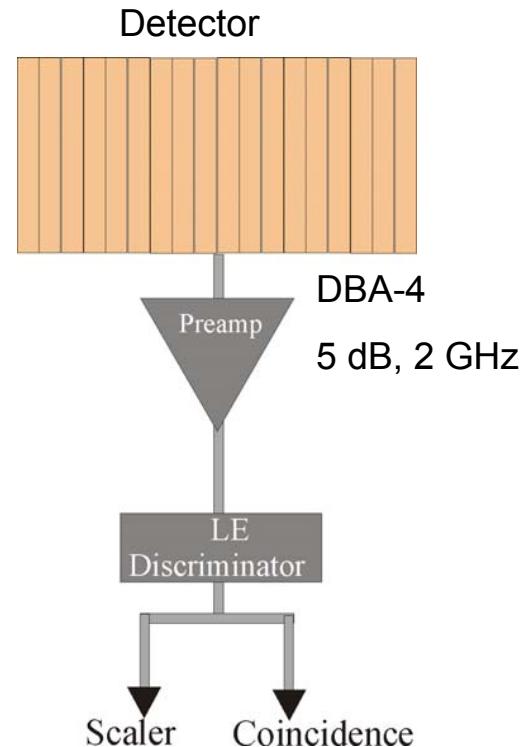
Experimental investigations

Byproduct of the atomic physics experiments

Four experiments:

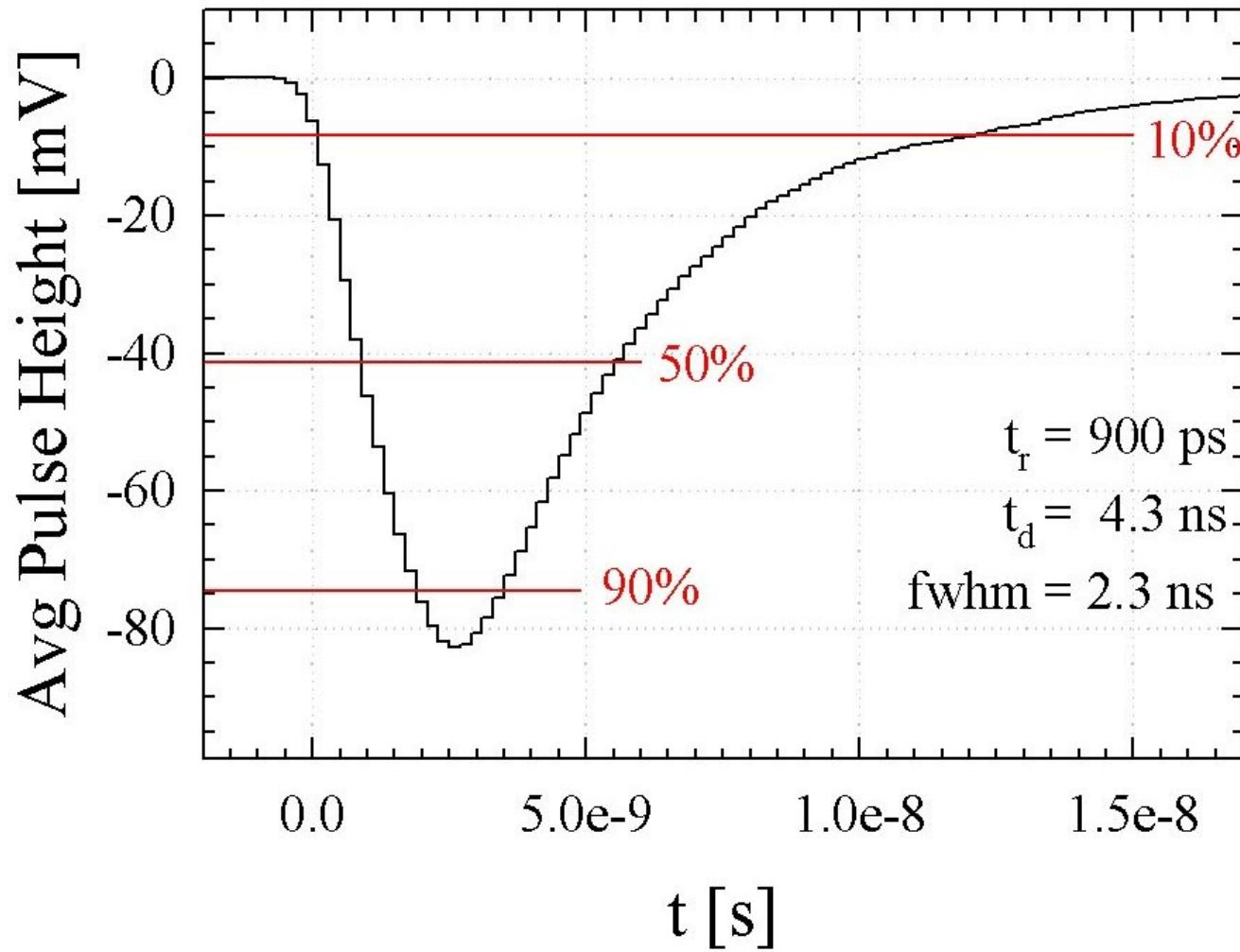
- life time measurements **195 MeV/u** ^{197}Au and **290 MeV/u** ^{238}U on Ni
- vacancy transfer in the quasimolecular regime **68 MeV/u** ^{238}U on Au and **68 MeV/u** ^{209}Bi on Au

$$U_{\text{bias}} = 0.5 \text{ V}/\mu\text{m} - 1.5 \text{ V}/\mu\text{m}$$

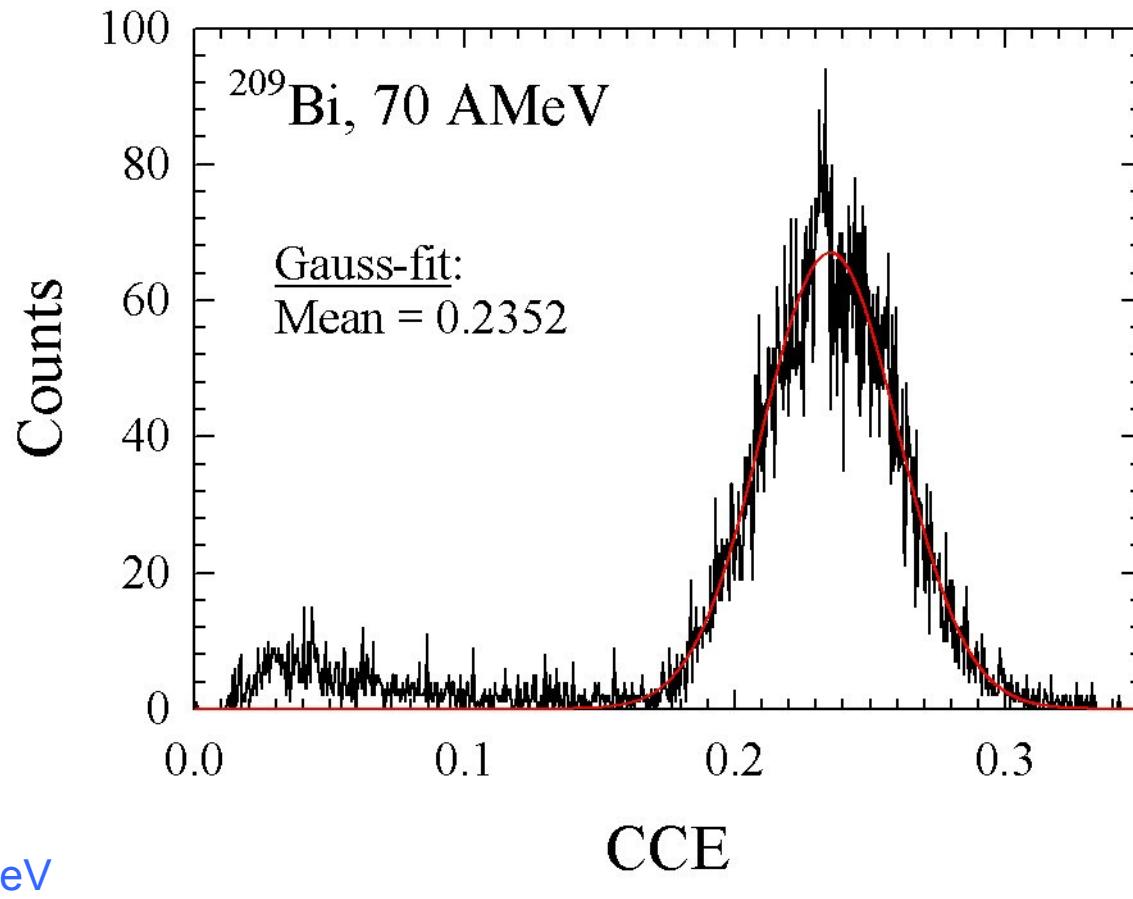


68 MeV/u Bi⁸²⁺

$d_D = 200 \mu\text{m}$; $E_D = 1 \text{ V}/\mu\text{m}$

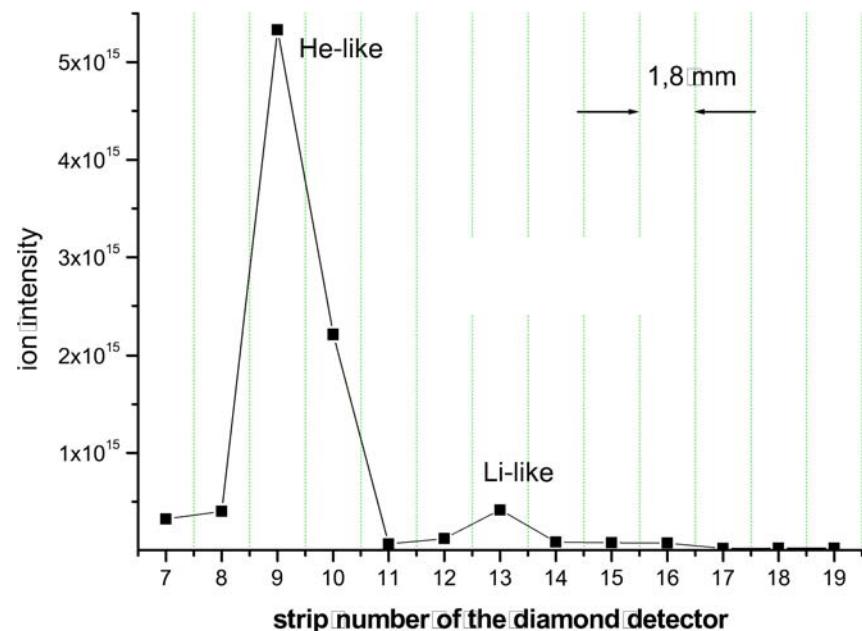


CVD-detector parameters: Ph distribution

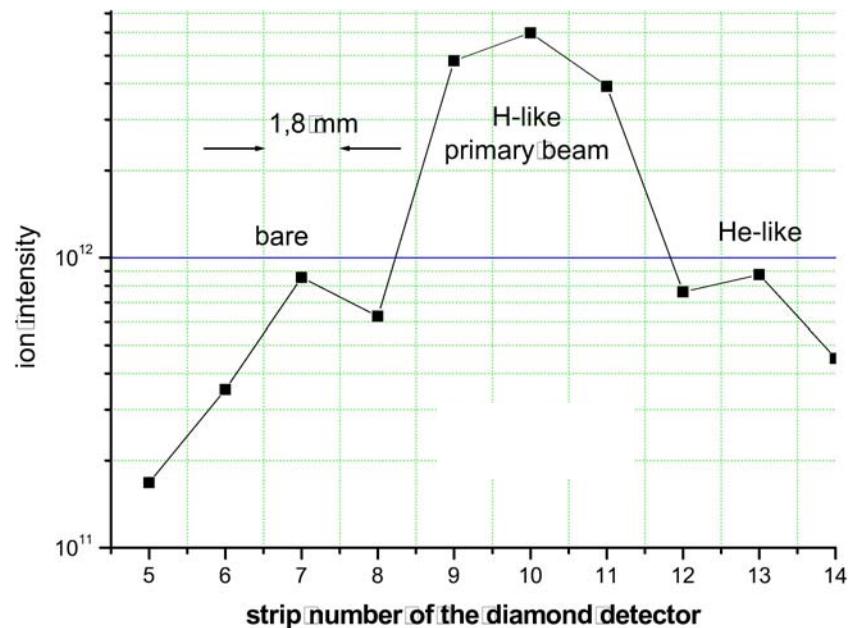


Position read out

195 MeV/u $^{197}\text{Au}^{78+}$ + 1.5 mg/cm² Ni



290 MeV/u $^{238}\text{U}^{91+}$ + 1.5 mg/cm² Ni

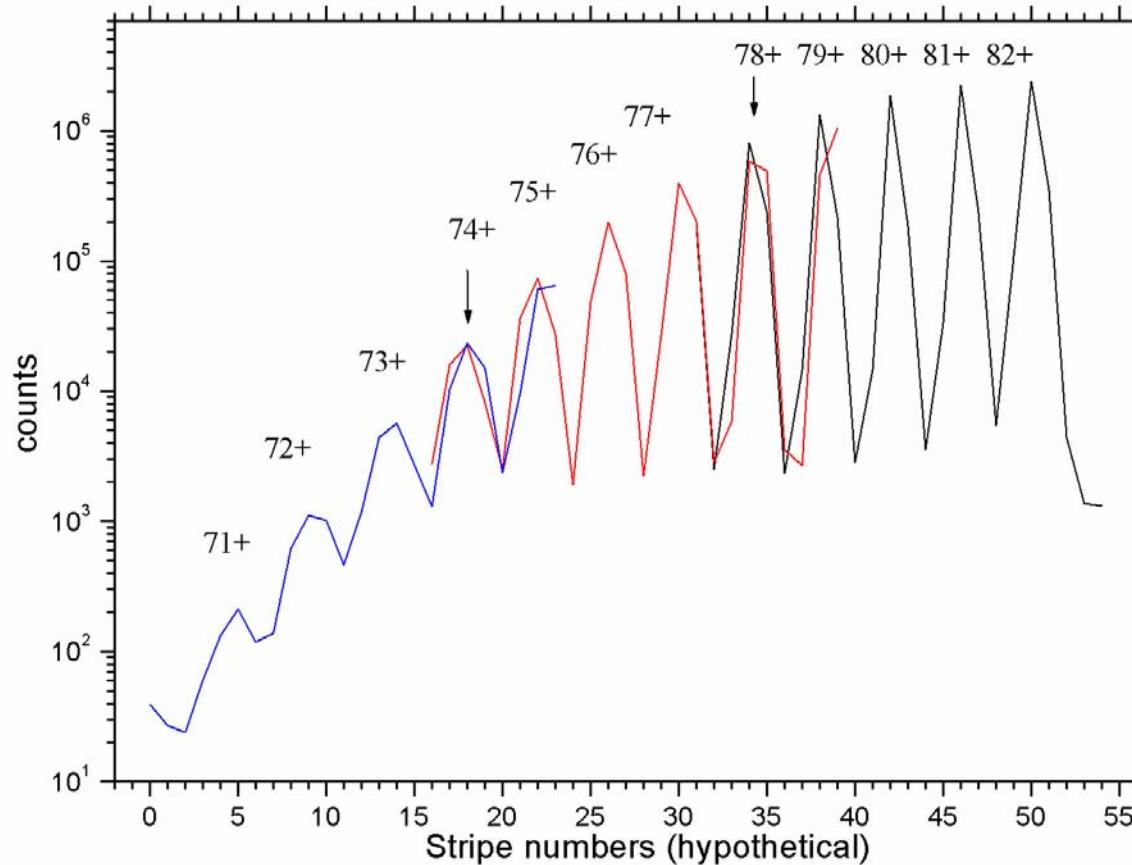


$$E_{\text{loss}} = 1.82 \text{ GeV in } 200 \mu\text{m}$$

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Position read out

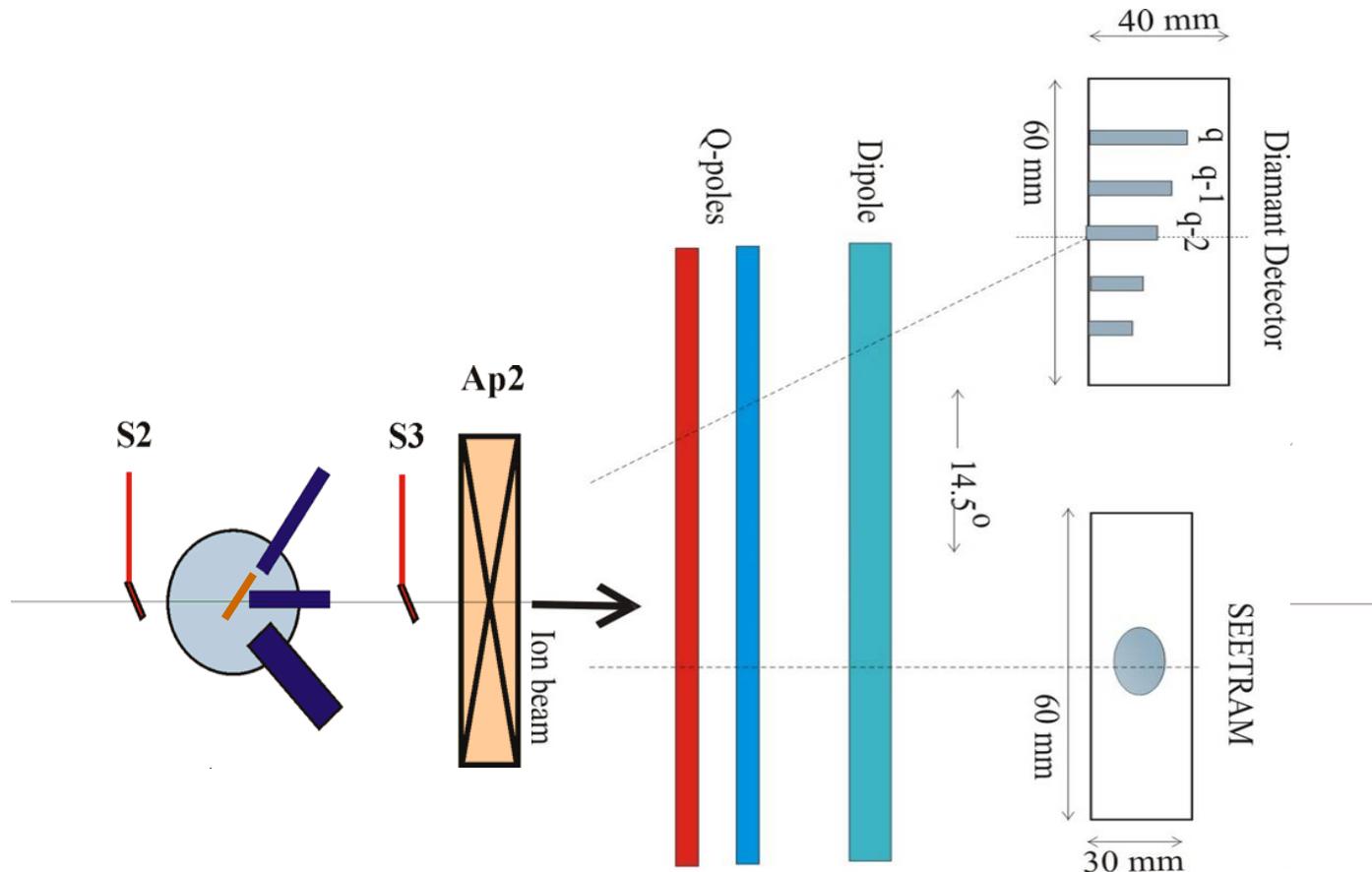
68 MeV/u Bi⁸⁰⁺ + 225 µg/cm² Au



$$E_{\text{loss}} = 3.4 \text{ GeV in } 200 \mu\text{m}$$

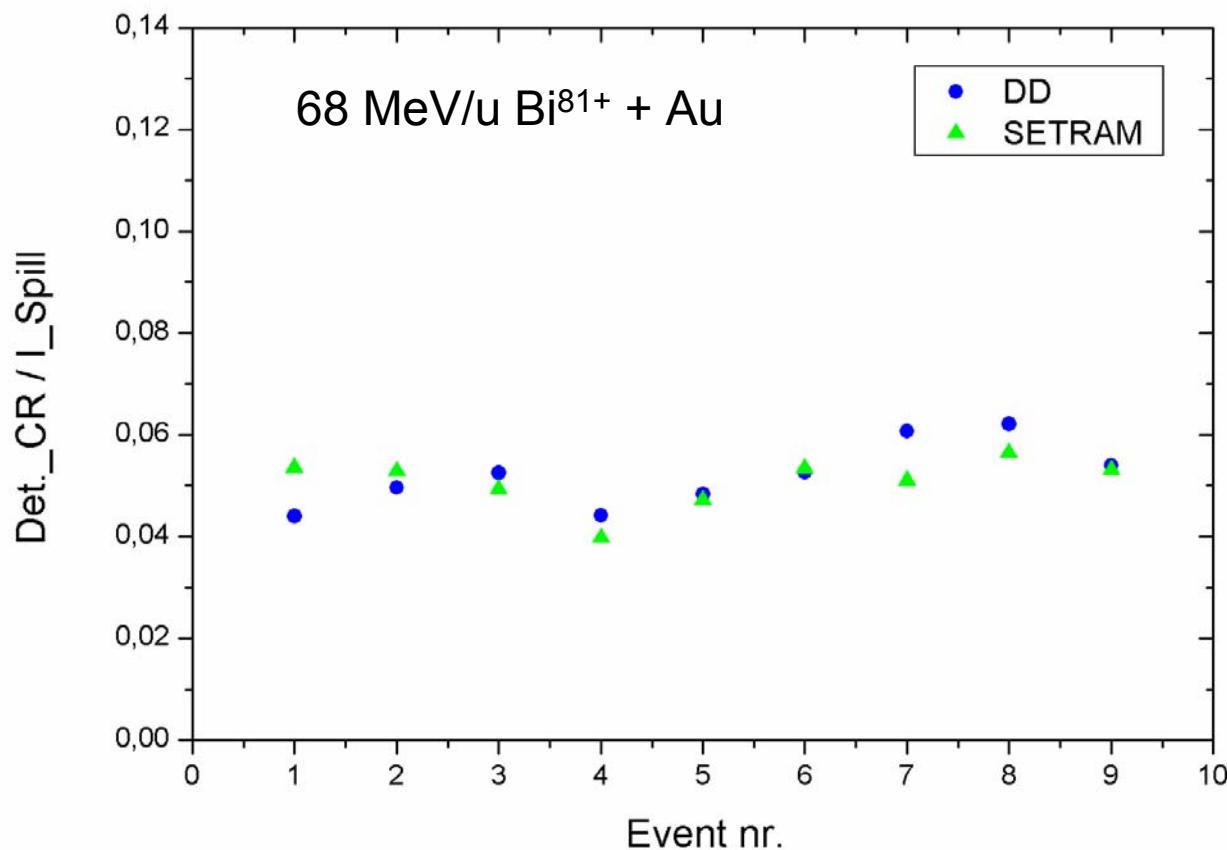


Detection efficiency estimation



Detection efficiency

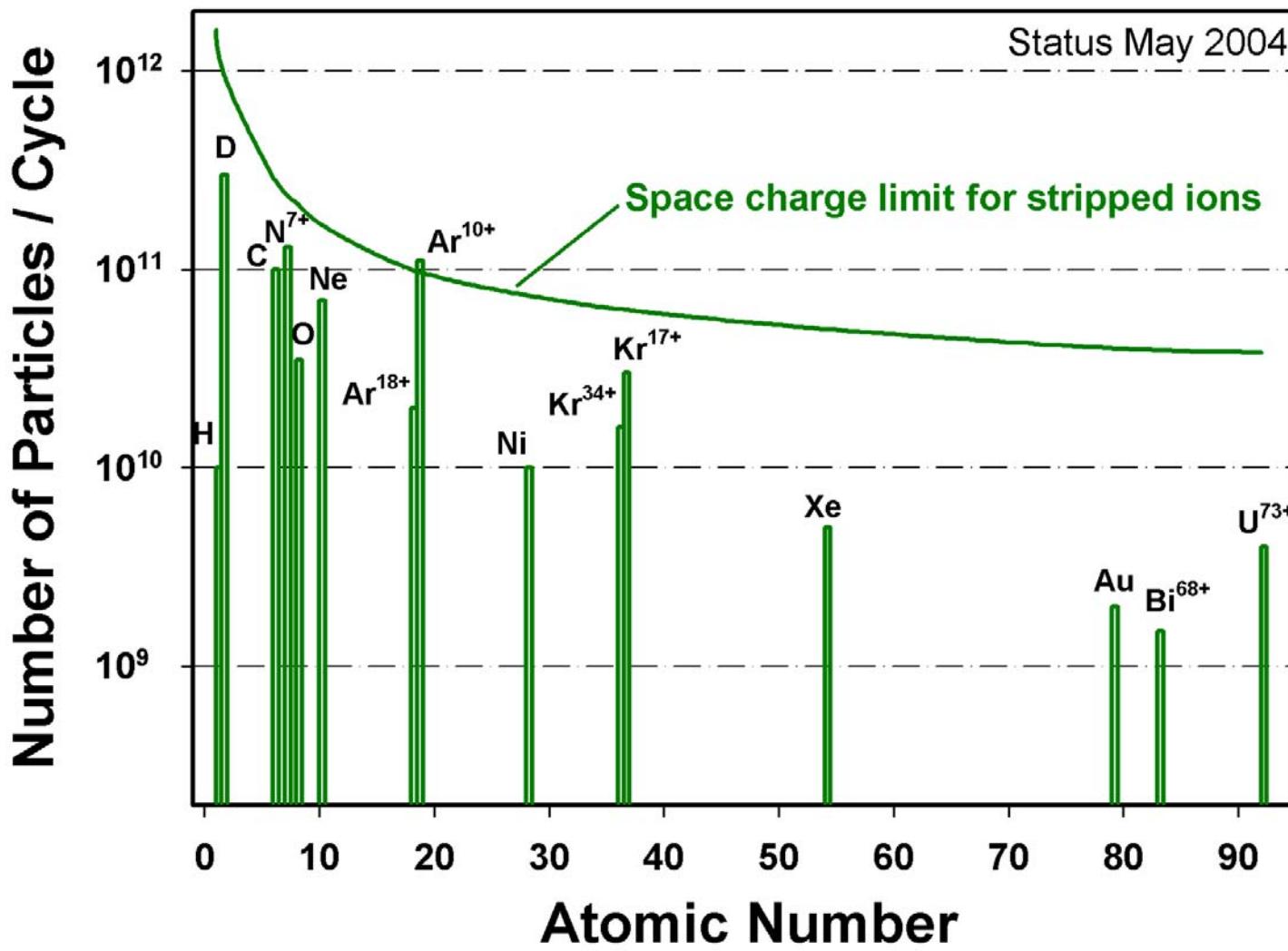
Count rate: Diamond detector / SEETRAM detector



Estimated
detection efficiency:

$$\varepsilon = 100 \% ??$$

Beam intensity at GSI facility



Atomic Physics Program at FAIR

Stored Particle Atomic Research Collaboration

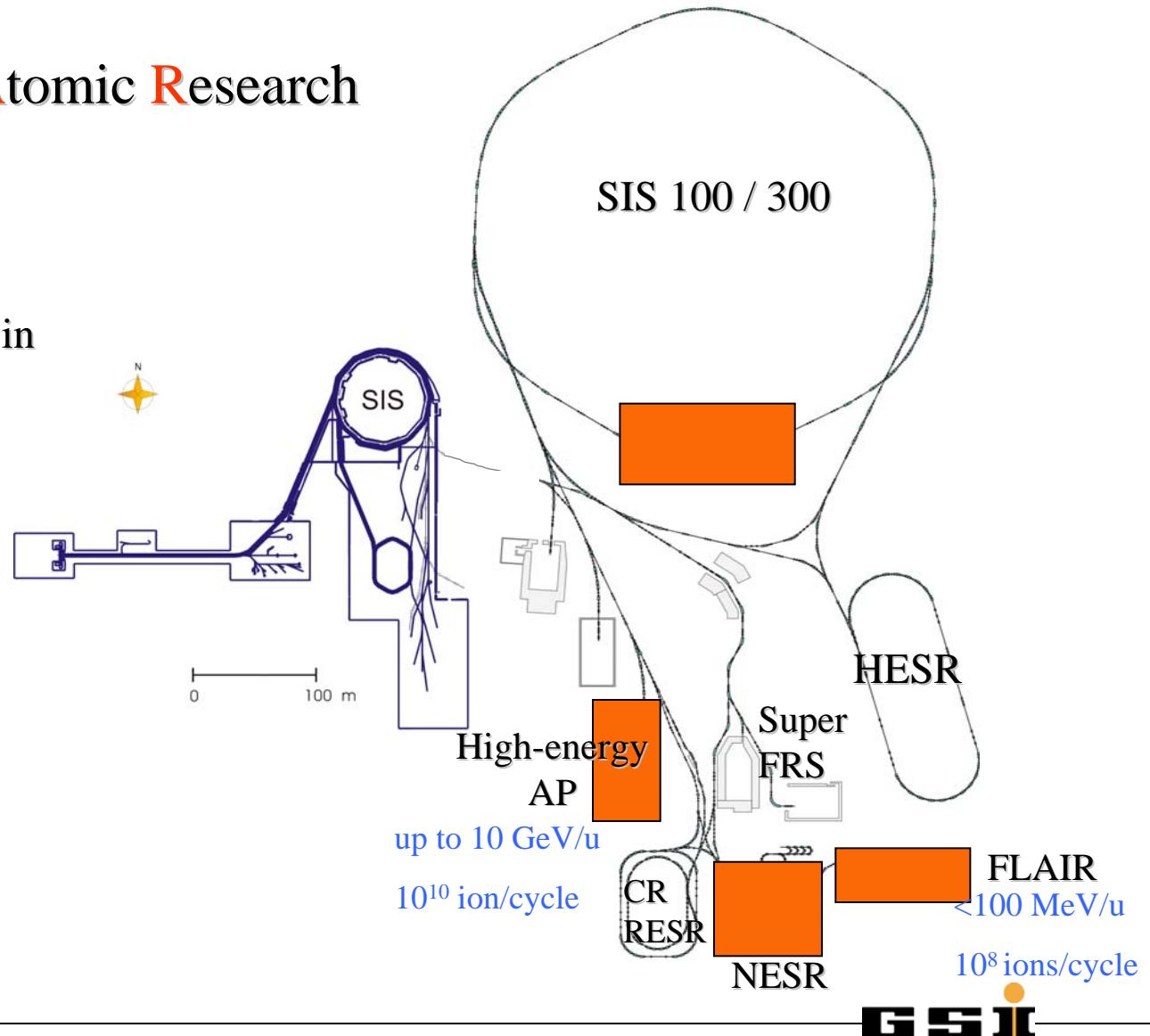
Areas of research:

- Fundamental interaction in extreme fields
- Fundamental tests
- Nuclear Ground-State properties

Stored and cooled
relativistic HCI

Exotic Nuclei

Antiprotons



Summary and outlook

The CVD-diamond detector is a **promising device** for atomic physics experiments with highly charged ions:

- good detection efficiency
- excellent timing properties
- radiation hard

For low energy HCl, $E_{ion} < 20 \text{ MeV/u}$ maybe the only solution for beam monitoring!

Goal: a 2-dim diamond detector for highly charged ions at intermediate energies

First step: try to build a two-dimensional position sensitive detector on polycrystalline CVD-diamond with

- an active area of $\sim 20 \times 20 \text{ mm}^2$
- a higher granularity (strip width below 1 mm)
- high-vacuum compatible

Questions to be investigated:

- radiation damage
- space charge effects: internal polarisation
- detection efficiency

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