



# Separator Ion Optics School

## NSCL, Michigan State University

Series of Four Lectures plus COSY Tutorials  
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# The Lecture Series

## An Introduction to Ion-Optics

1<sup>st</sup> Lecture: 9/10/18: Formalism and ion-optical elements

2<sup>nd</sup> Lecture: 9/12/18: Ion-optical systems and spectrometers

3<sup>rd</sup> Lecture: 9/12/18: Recoil separators for nuclear astrophysics, St. GEORGE

4<sup>rd</sup> Lecture: 9/13/18: The recoil separator SECAR for FRIB

Tutorials in the afternoon: 9/10/18 – 9/14/18: COSY Infinity

## Review 2<sup>nd</sup> Lecture

Ion-optical systems, spectrometers

High resolution spectrometers

Full dispersion matching

Diagnostics and field measurements.

Observing faint radiation near the sun:

An analogy for observing nuclear  
particles close to the beam

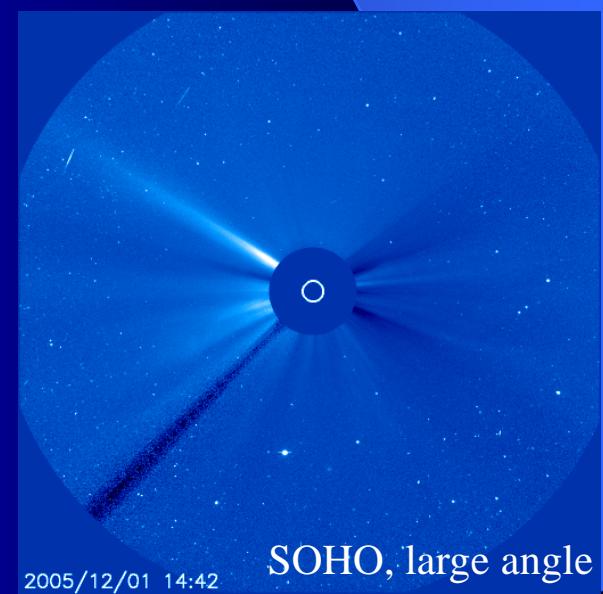
## Solar Eclipse Coronagraph



Shadow of moon of Earth



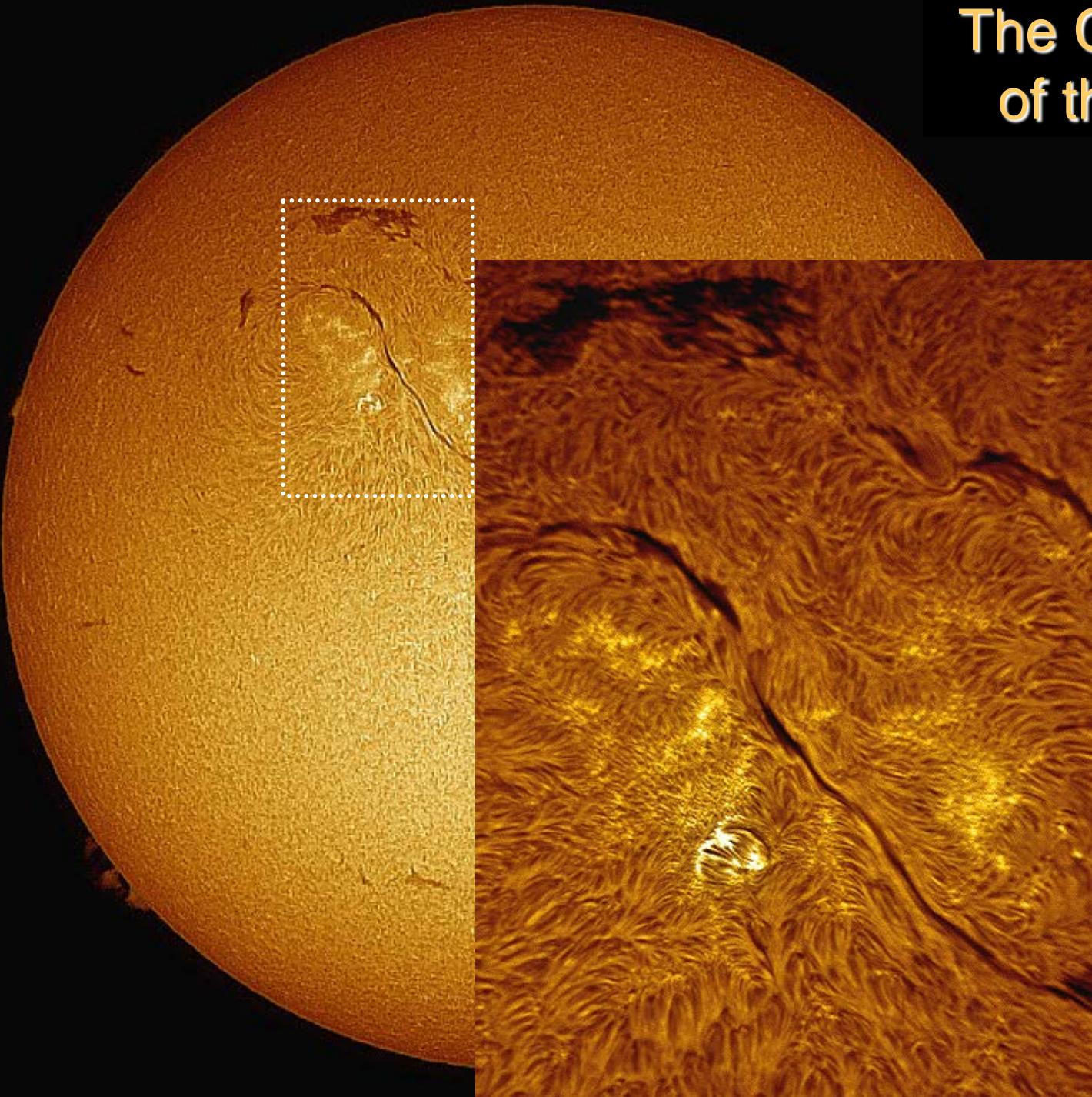
Solar Eclipse 1999



2005/12/01 14:42

SOHO, large angle

# The Chromosphere of the Sun in H $\alpha$



H $\alpha$  line,  $\lambda = 656.28\text{nm}$

$\Delta\lambda = 0.07\text{nm}$   
Narrow Band Filter

# Magnetic ( $B\rho$ ) Separation of Beam & Reaction Products in Spectrometer Experiments near $0^\circ$

K600, Grand Raiden Spectrometers:

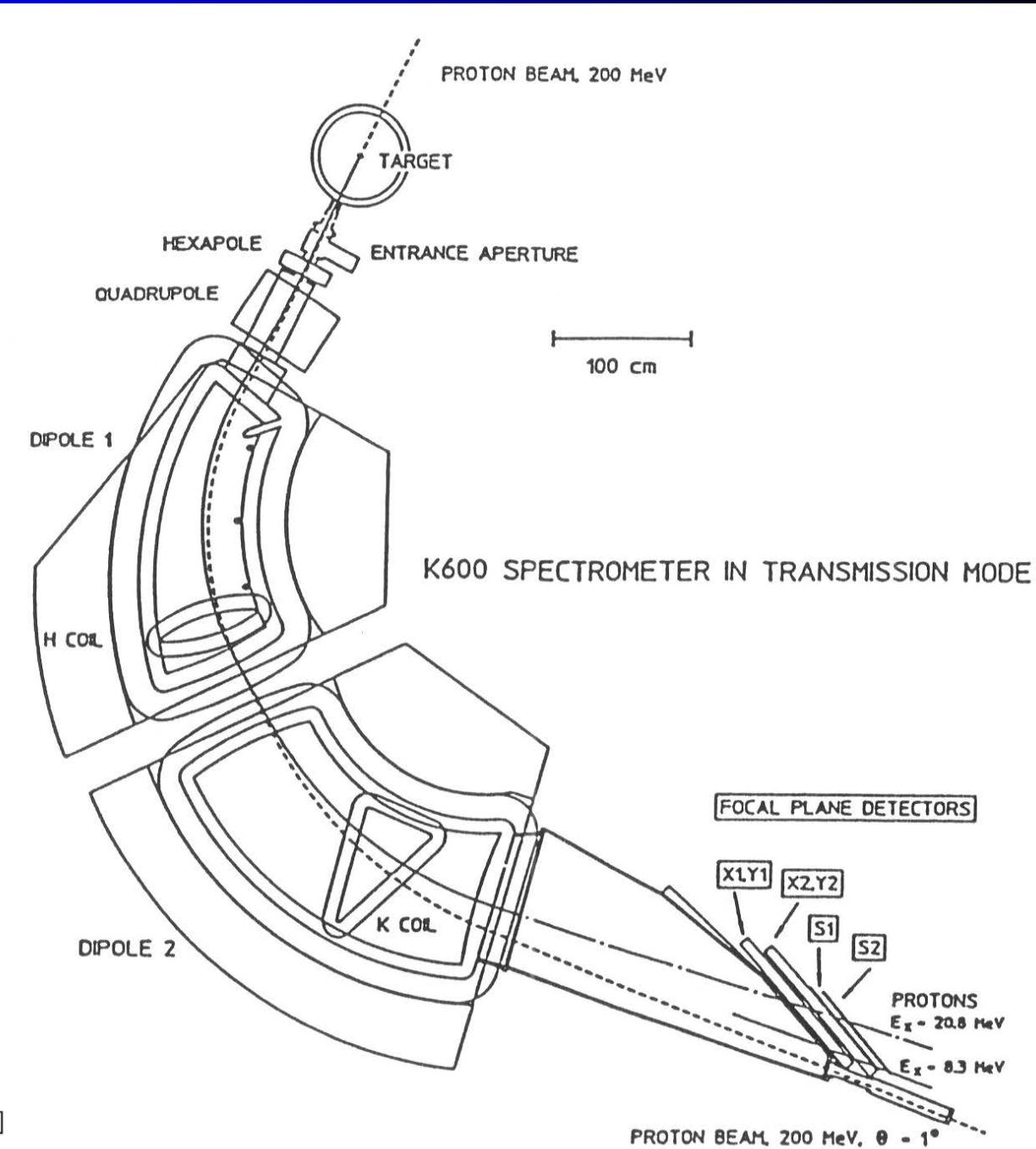
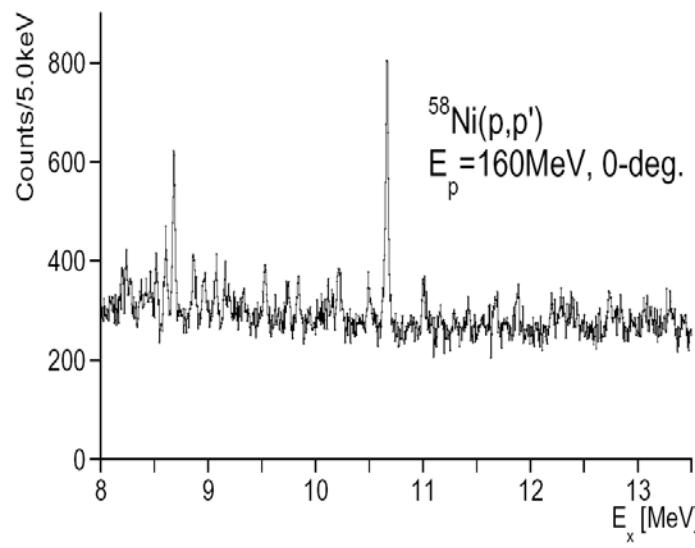
$(^3\text{He}, t)$ ,  $(p, t)$ ,  $(\alpha, \alpha')$ ,  $(p, p')$ ,  $(\alpha, ^8\text{He})$

Special Faraday cups to stop beam  
inside spectrometer or near focal plane

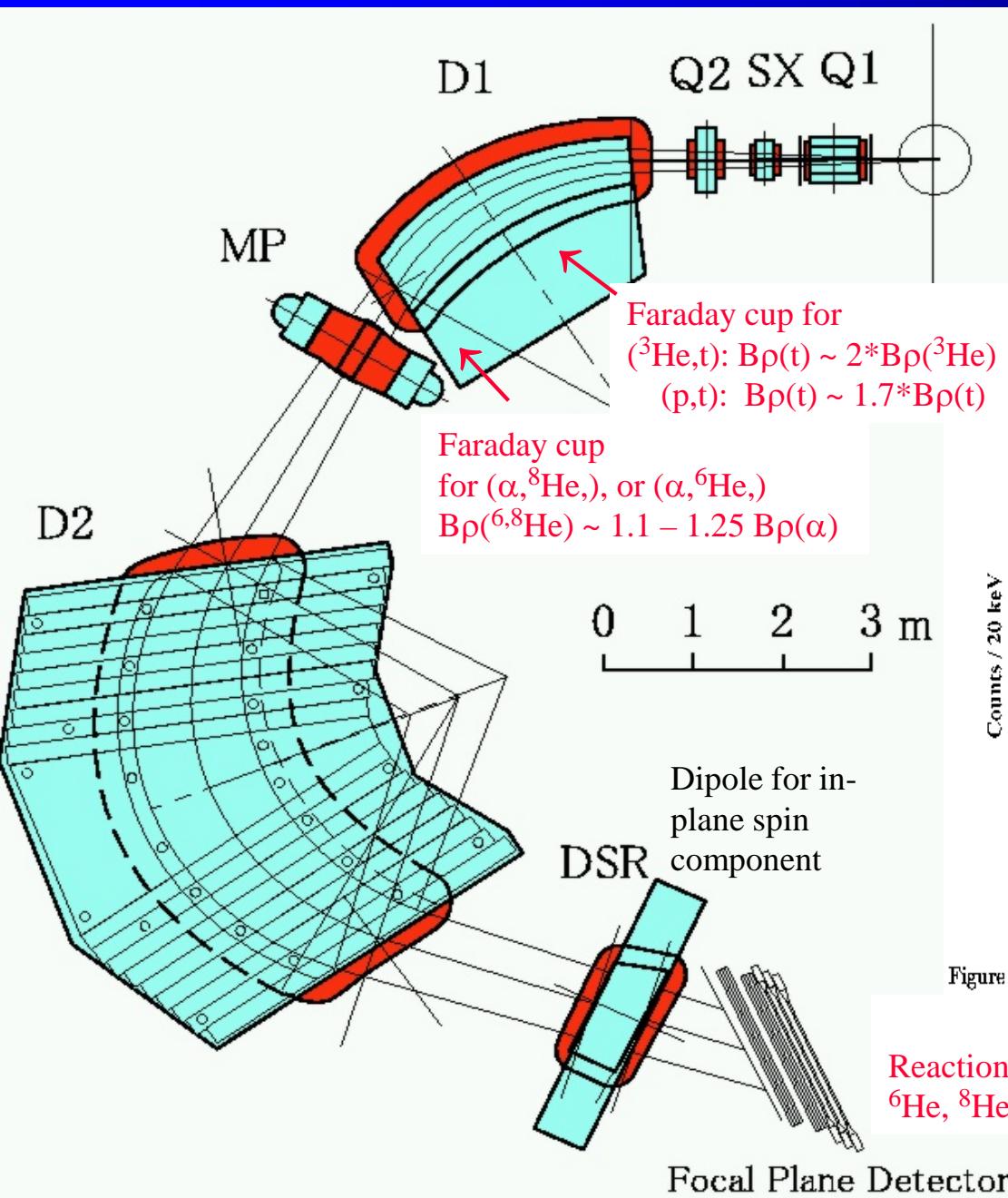
# K600 Spectrometer (IUCF)

The K600 is shown in 0° Transmission mode for inelastic scattering at 0°

High Dispersion Plane  
 $B(D1) > B(D2)$



# Grand Raiden High Resolution Spectrometer



Grand Raiden is shown in  
0° Transmission mode  
for reactions at 0°

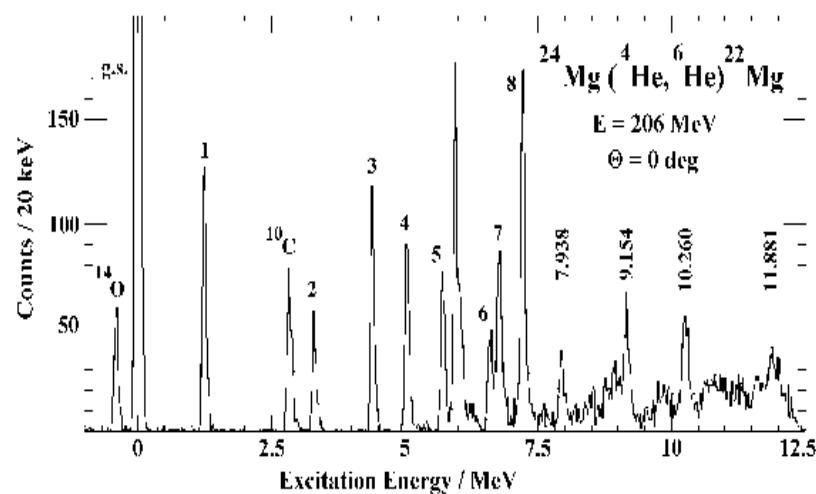
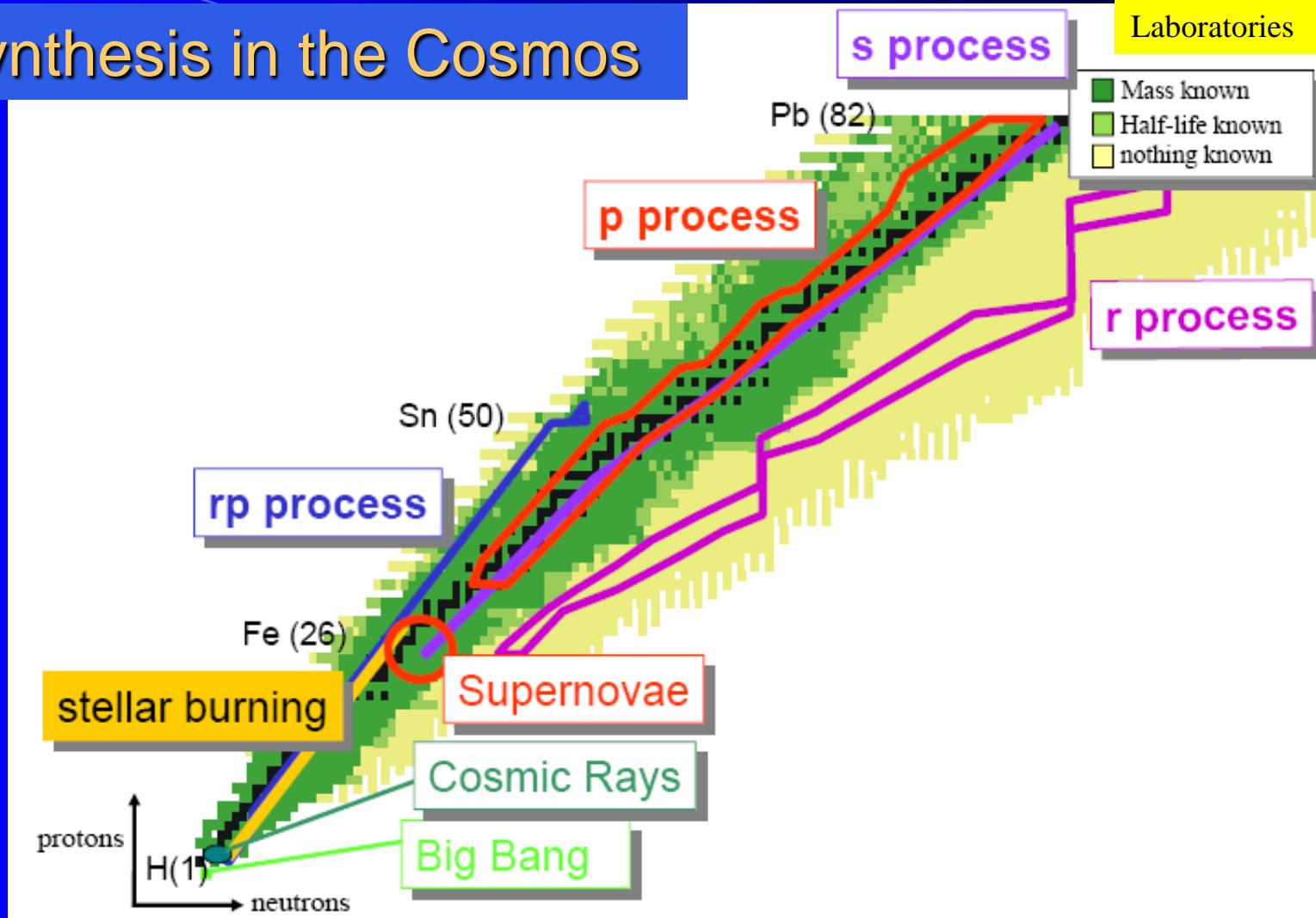


Figure 1. Measured  $^{22}\text{Mg}$  spectrum with angle cut 0 - 1.5° and a resolution of 75 keV.

Reaction Products  
 $^6\text{He}$ ,  $^8\text{He}$ ,  $t$

Focal Plane Detector

# Nucleosynthesis in the Cosmos

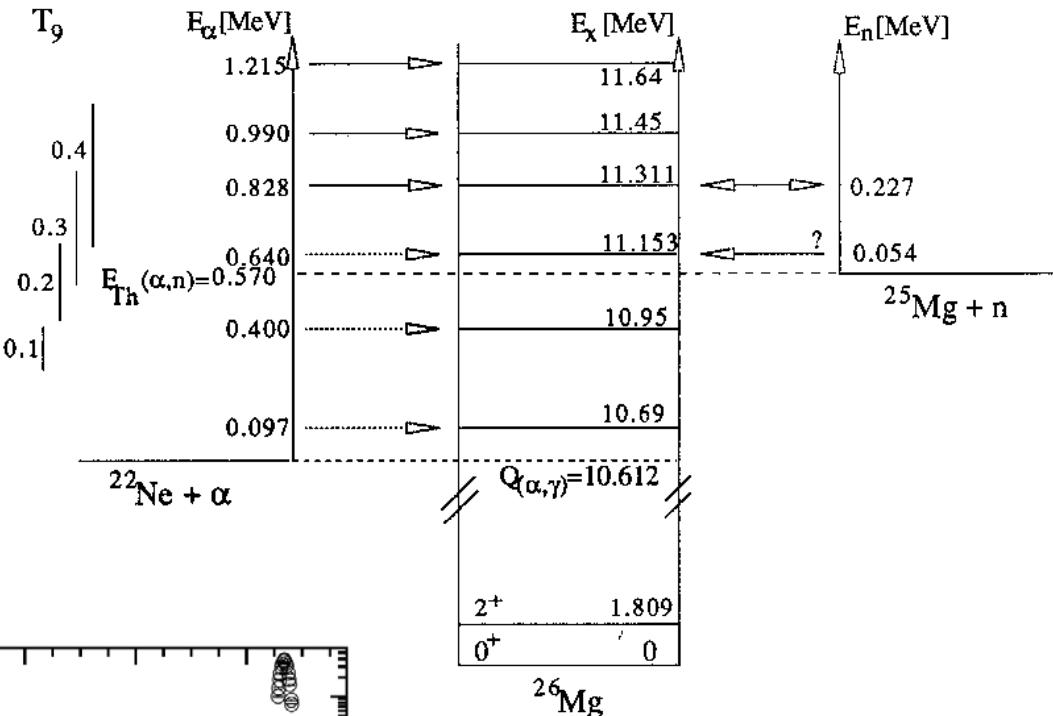
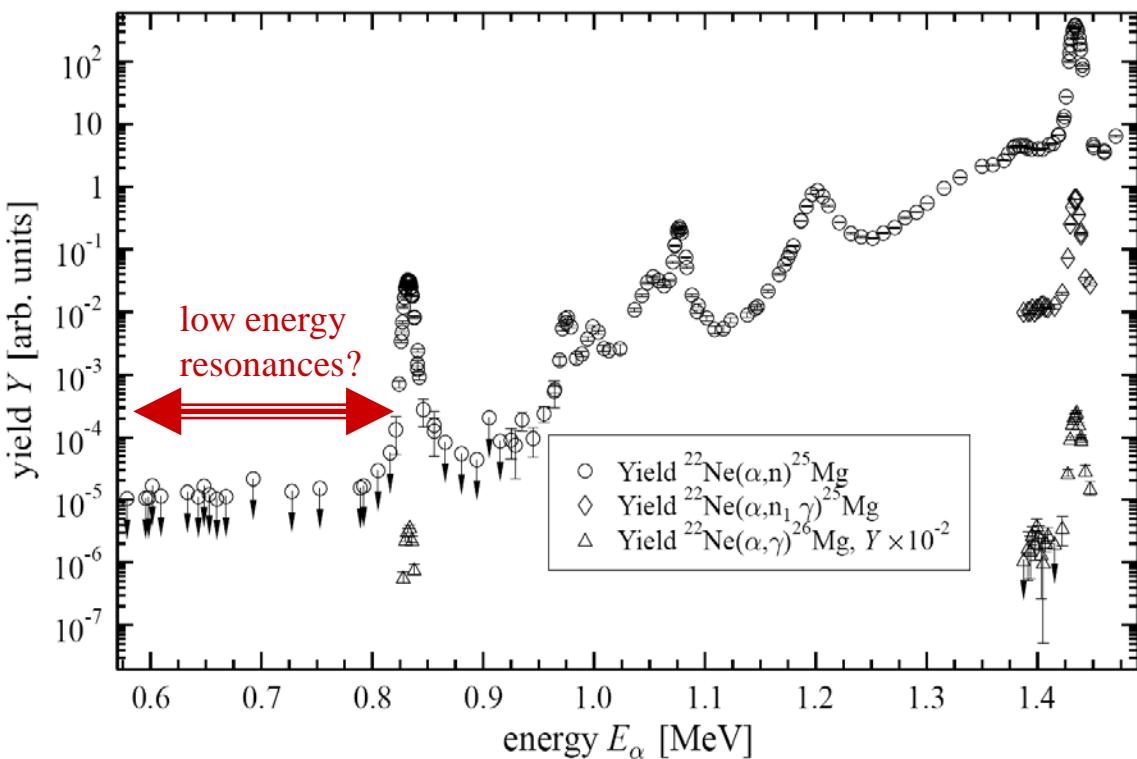


Many different reactions are involved in the nuclei synthesis

With recoil separators, we study the important  $(p,\gamma)$  and  $(\alpha,\gamma)$  radiative capture reactions that take place e.g. in the rp process.

# Example: $^{22}\text{Ne}(\alpha, n)^{25}\text{Mg}$ , $^{22}\text{Ne}(\alpha, \gamma)^{26}\text{Mg}$

The potential existence of low energy resonances causes considerable uncertainty in reaction rate  
 Stable Beams: St. GEORGE  
 RI Beams: SECAR



Low energy resonances  
 Cannot be measure due to low cross sections that do not rise above background from:

- 1) Cosmic rays
- 2) Surrounding radio-active materials
- 3) Beam-related background

Solutions:

- 1) Go underground (Salt mine!)
- 2) Inverse kinematics (recoil separator)

# Rigidity and Acceptance Parameters Determined by Reaction Kinematics and Target Effects

Radiative capture ( $p, \gamma$ ), ( $\alpha, \gamma$ ) in inverse kinematics

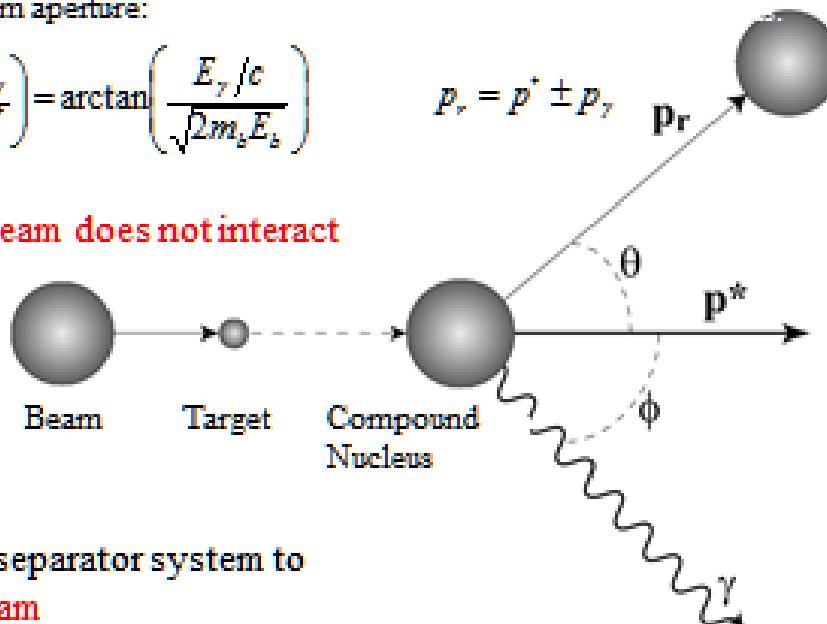
Kinematics of produced ions

Recoil maximum aperture:

$$\theta_{\max} = \arctan\left(\frac{p_\gamma}{p}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{E_\gamma/c}{\sqrt{2m_t E_b}}\right)$$

$$p_r = p^* \pm p_\gamma$$

Most of the beam does not interact



Need a recoil separator system to

- Reject the beam
- Transport the recoils in a detector

Slide by Manoel Couder

Table 1

Design parameters of the St. George magnetic recoil separator.

Maximum rigidity $B\rho$	0.45 Tm
Minimum rigidity $B\rho$	0.1 Tm
Angle acceptance, vert., horiz.	$\pm 40$ mrad
Energy acceptance	$\pm 7.5 \%$
Mass separation $m/\Delta m$	$\approx 100$
Bending radius	75 cm

# St. George

## Reactions and Design Parameters

Table 2

Sample of reactions of astrophysical interest

**Beam and recoils have same momenta, need E field for separation.**

Beam	Recoil	Inverse ( $\alpha, \gamma$ ) reaction									
		Beam	$E_{cm}$	Recoil	Recoil	Recoil	Half	E	Mom.	$B\rho$	
		$E_{lab}$	$E_{lab}$	Q[9]	Abund.	Angle	Range	p			
$^{16}\text{O}$	$^{20}\text{Ne}$	5.80	1.16	4.640	5	42	14.2	2.8	415.7	0.277	
		12.5	2.50	10.02	6	40	11.8	2.4	610.9	0.340	
$^{18}\text{O}$	$^{22}\text{Ne}$	1.94	0.35	1.591	3	38	39.2	7.8	177.1	0.284	
		3.30	0.60	2.700	4	42	30.9	6.2	332.6	0.277	
$^{34}\text{S}$	$^{38}\text{Ar}$	10.0	1.05	8.950	8	32	10.4	2.1	795.7	0.332	
		38.0	4.00	34.00	12	32	7.20	1.4	1551	0.431	
$^{36}\text{Ar}$	$^{40}\text{Ca}$	12.5	1.25	11.25	9	31	9.10	1.8	915.3	0.339	
		40.0	4.00	36.00	13	30	6.70	1.3	1638	0.420	

# Achromatic magnet separator

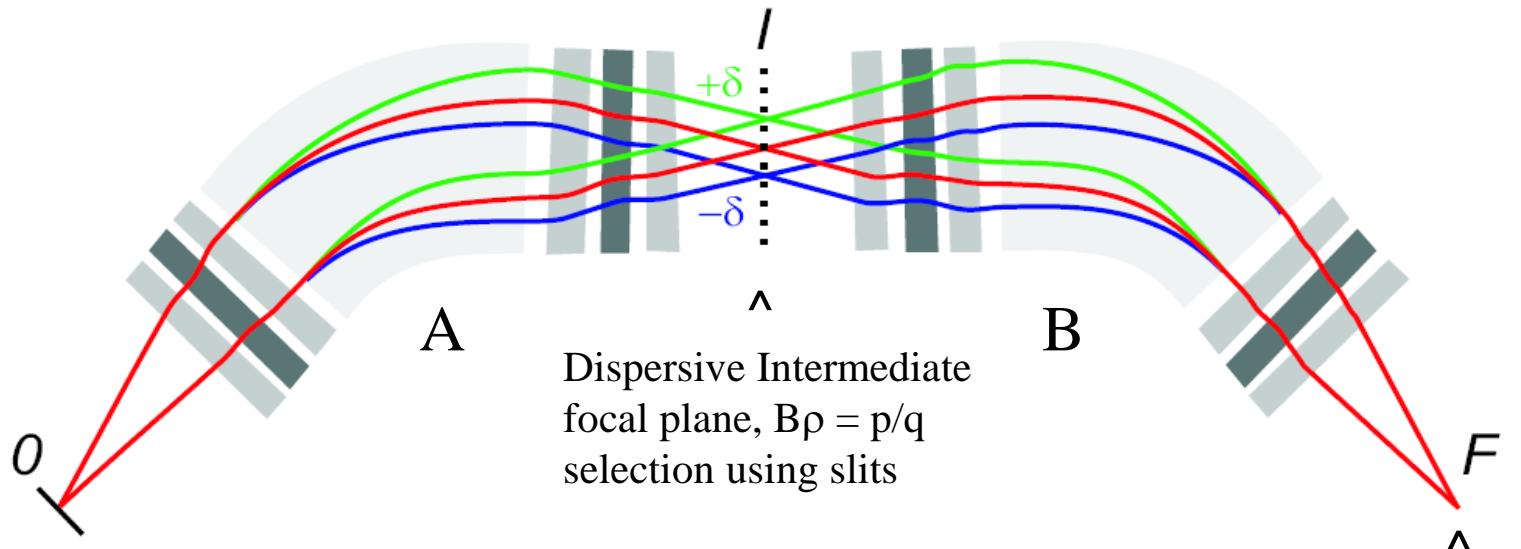


Figure from Experimental Techniques at NSCL,  
MSU, Th. Baumann, 8/2/2002

Achromatic Final focal plane, small beam spot  
e.g. for detector system

Assume foci at  $I$  &  $F$ , i.e.  $A_{12} = B_{12} = 0$ .  
Derive the first order achromatic condition  
of the system  $O \rightarrow F$  and compare with the  
dispersion matching condition.

# Solution of Exercise

First order  
TRANSPORT  
Matrix  $R_{\mu\nu}$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Magnification } M_x \\
 \text{Focusing fact} \\
 \text{Lateral Dispersion}
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 x(t) \\
 \theta(t) \\
 y(t) \\
 \varphi(t) \\
 l(t) \\
 \delta(t)
 \end{array}
 = \begin{array}{c}
 R_{11} \quad R_{12} \\
 R_{21} \quad R_{22} \\
 0 \quad 0 \\
 0 \quad 0 \\
 R_{33} \quad R_{34} \\
 R_{43} \quad R_{44}
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \\
 1 \quad R_{56} \\
 0 \quad 1
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 R_{16} \\
 R_{26} \\
 0 \\
 0 \\
 \varphi_0 \\
 l_0
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 x_0 \\
 \theta_0 \\
 y_0 \\
 \varphi_0 \\
 l_0 \\
 \delta_0
 \end{array}
 \quad \text{Angular Disp}$$

$\vec{x}_2 = \text{TRANSPORT} \cdot R - \text{Matrix} \cdot \vec{x}_1$

(2)

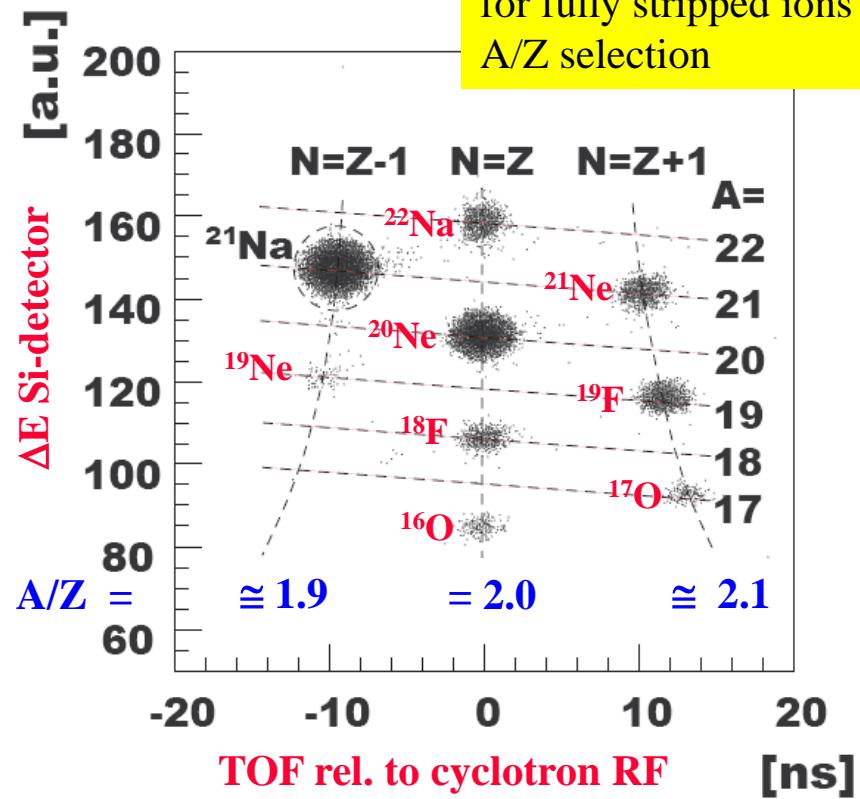
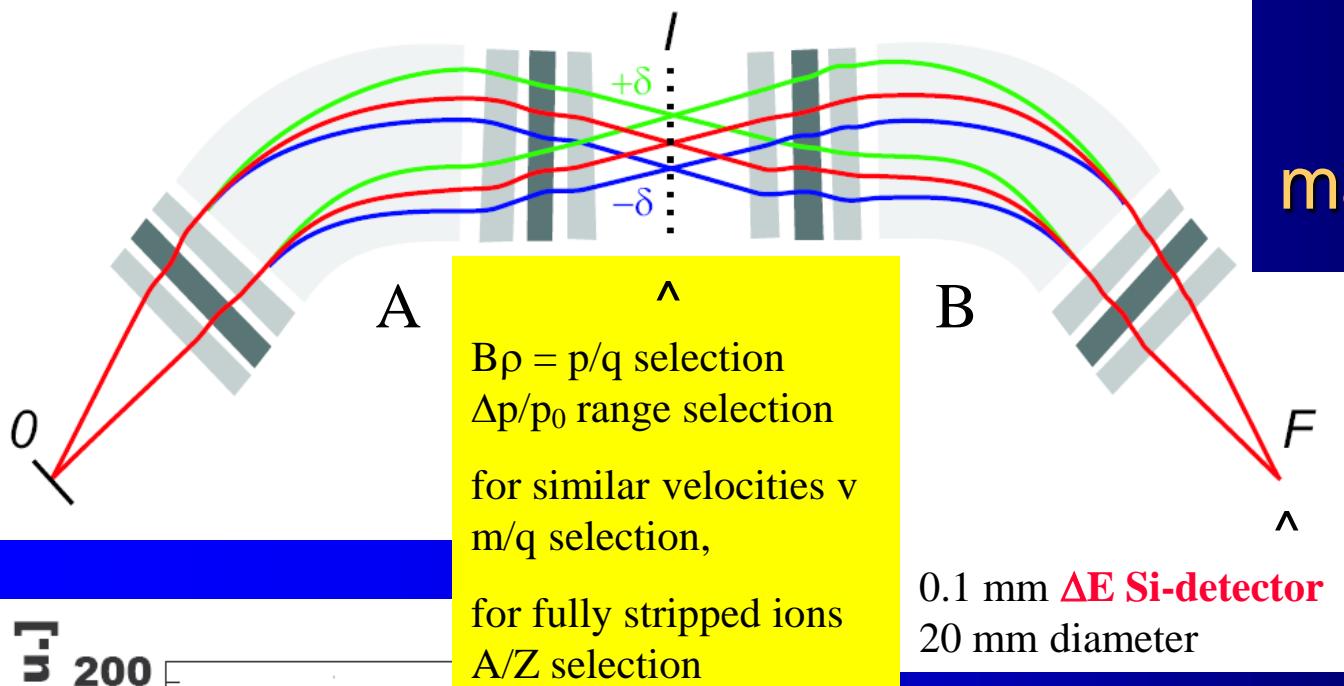
$$\begin{aligned}
 x_I &= A_{11} x_0 + A_{12} \theta_0 + A_{16} \delta_0 \quad | A_{12} = 0 \\
 &= A_{11} x_0 + A_{16} \delta_0
 \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_F &= B_{11} x_I + B_{12} \theta_I + B_{16} \delta_0 \quad | B_{12} = 0 \\
 &= B_{11} x_I + B_{16} \delta_0 \quad | \text{ substitute } x_I \text{ using (25)} \\
 &= B_{11} (A_{11} x_0 + A_{16} \delta_0) + B_{16} \delta_0 \\
 &= B_{11} A_{11} x_0 + (B_{11} A_{16} + B_{16}) \delta_0
 \end{aligned}$$

Condition for achromaticity:  $A_{16} = -B_{16}/B_{11}$

Note: This is the  
Dispersion Matching  
condition for  $C = T = 1$

# Achromatic magnet separator



Example: Production of  $^{21}\text{Na}$  via  $\text{H}(^{21}\text{Ne},n)^{21}\text{Na}$  with  $^{21}\text{Ne}^{7+}$  beam at 43 MeV/nucleon using the TRI $\mu$ P Separator, KVI Groningen  
Ions after target fully stripped e.g.  $^{21}\text{Ne}^{10+}$  !

$^{21}\text{Ne}$  beam with  $\approx 10^{10}$  ions/s with  $B\beta(^{21}\text{Ne})/B\beta(^{21}\text{Na}) \approx 1.09$  is all but eliminated by a slit (SH2) in front of plane I

Note:

Ions with  $A/Z \sim 2$  are not separated !

# Achromatic magnet separator with Wedge

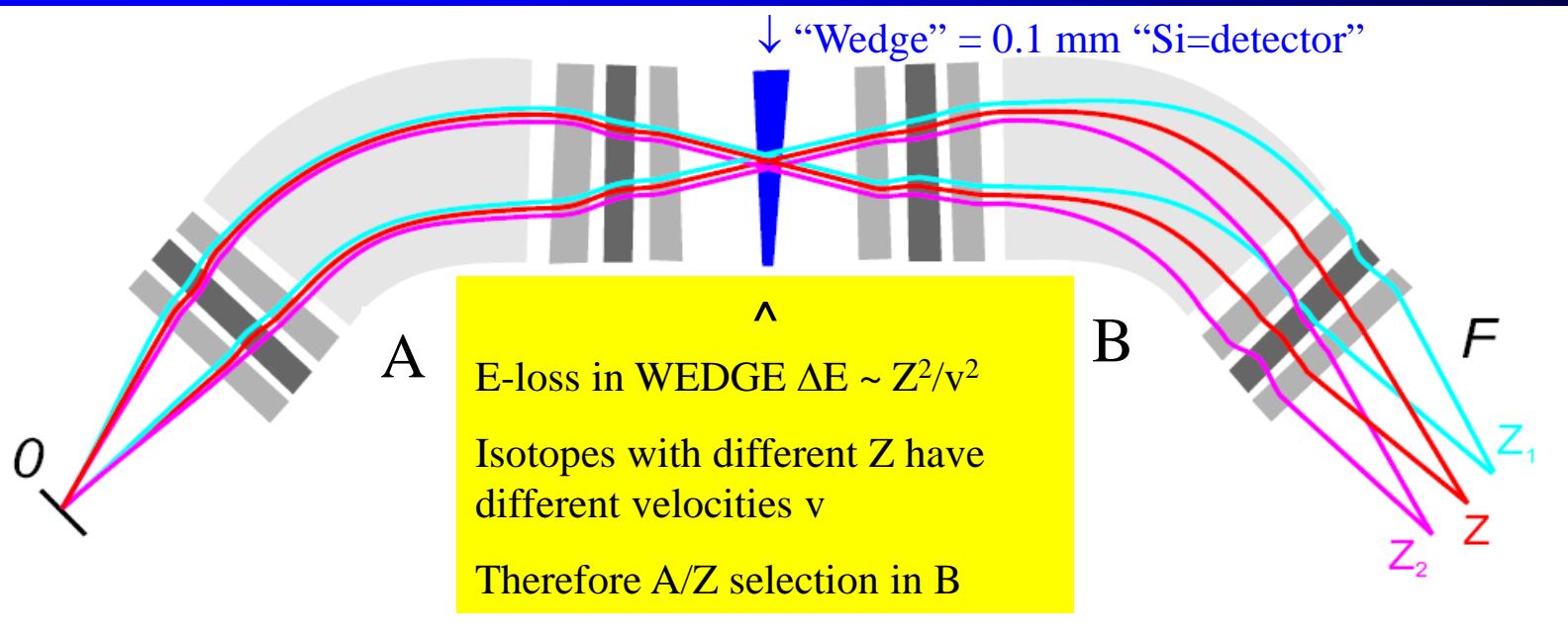
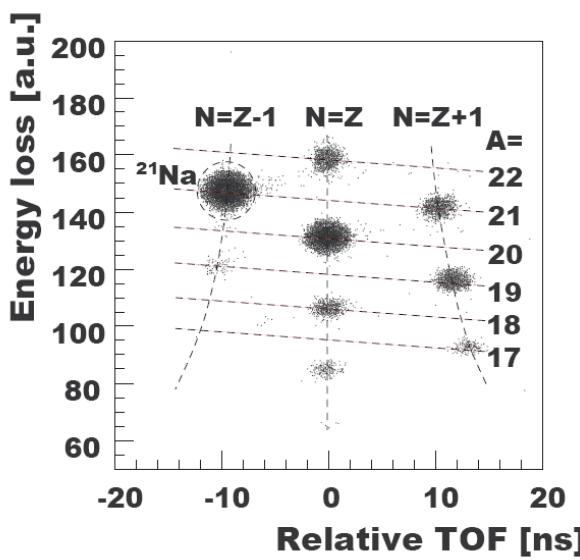


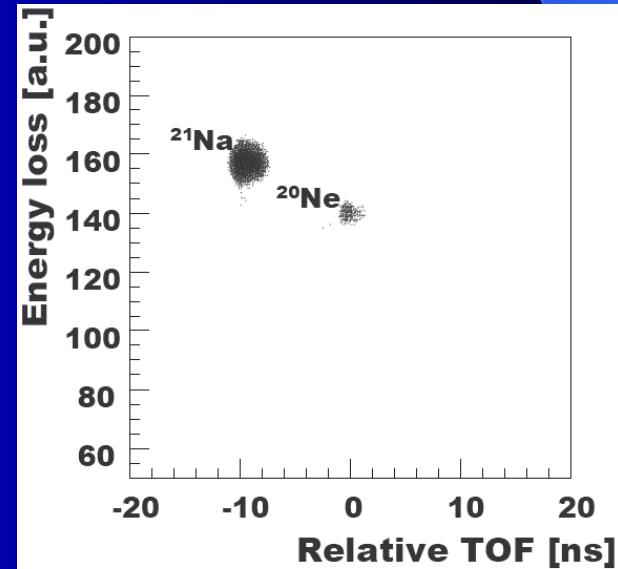
Figure from Experimental Techniques at NSCL, MSU, Th. Baumann, 8/2/2002



Effect of "Wedge"  $\Rightarrow$

Note:

For large  $d\mu/\mu$  the degrader should be Wedge-shaped to restore achromacity effected by degrader with constant thickness

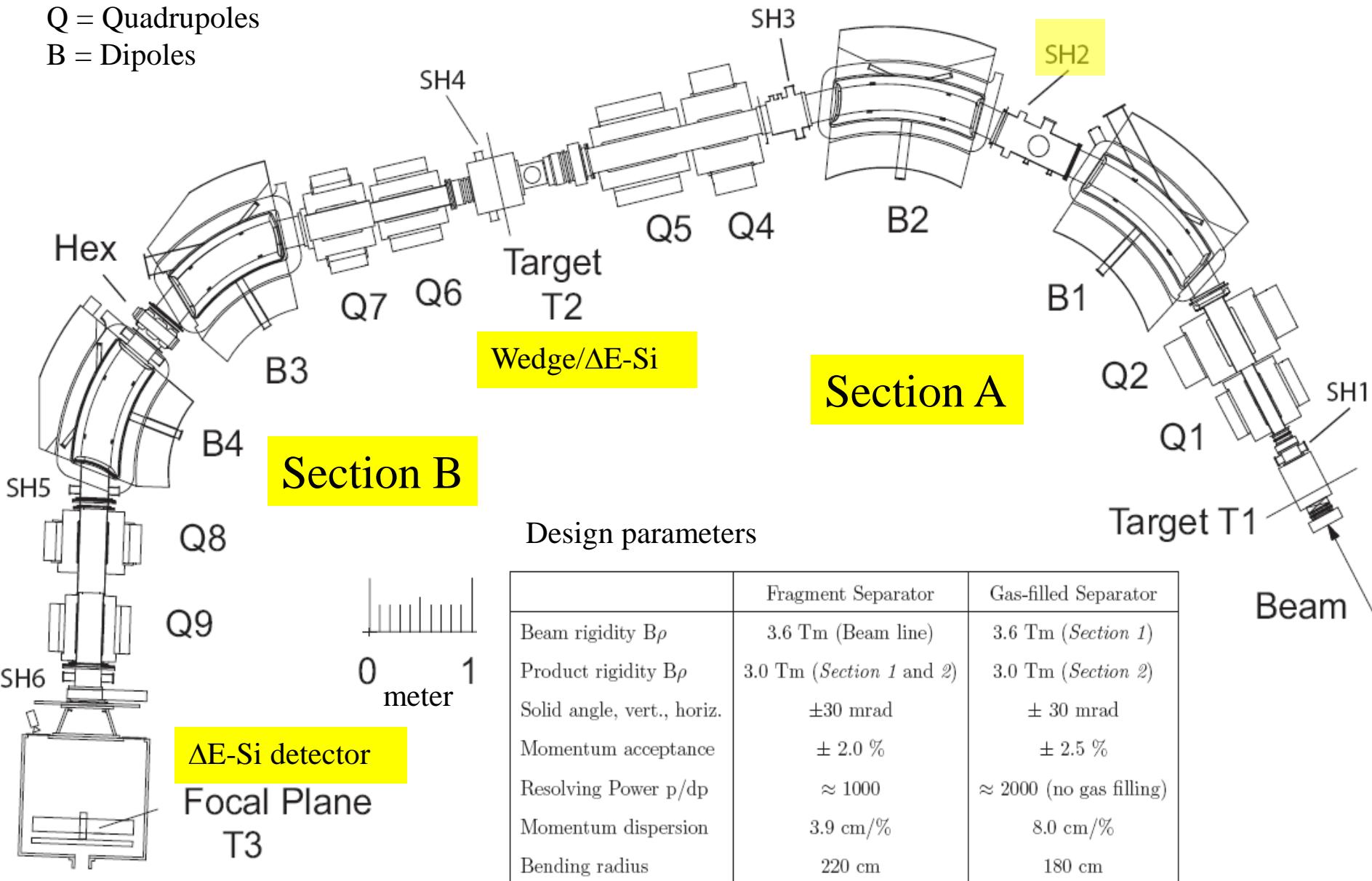


# TRI $\mu$ P an achromatic secondary beam separator

SH = Slits

Q = Quadrupoles

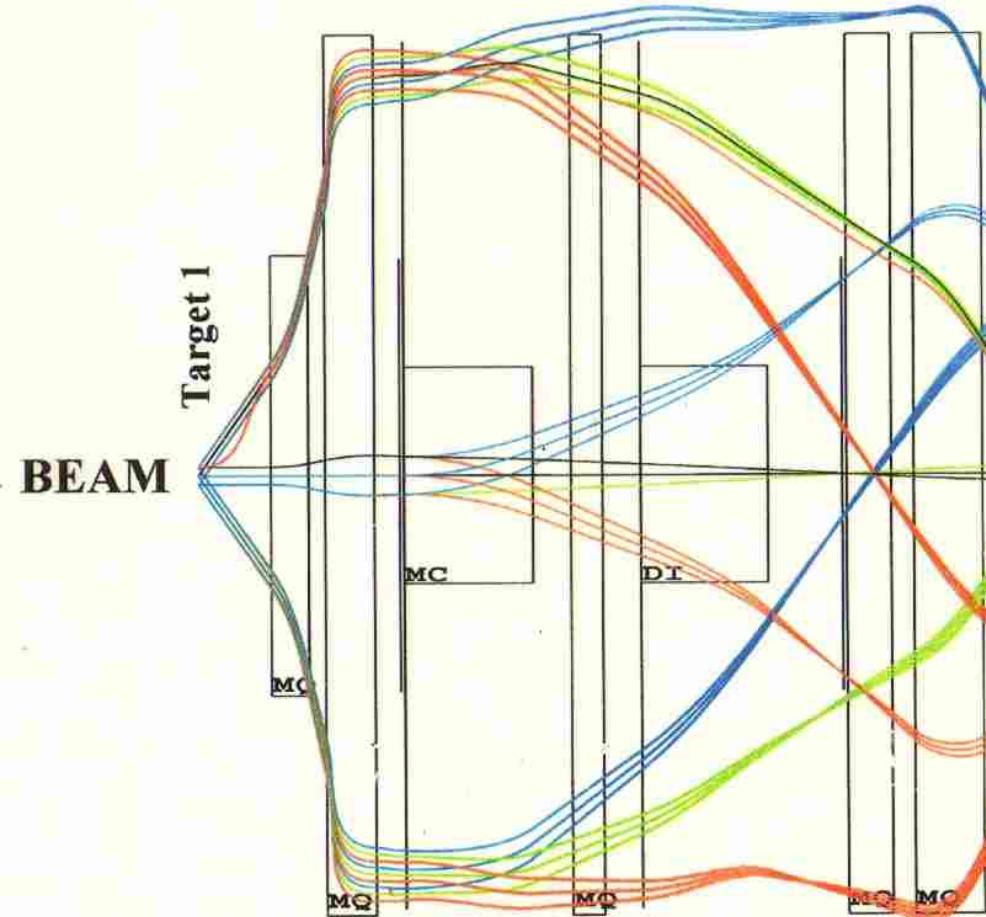
B = Dipoles



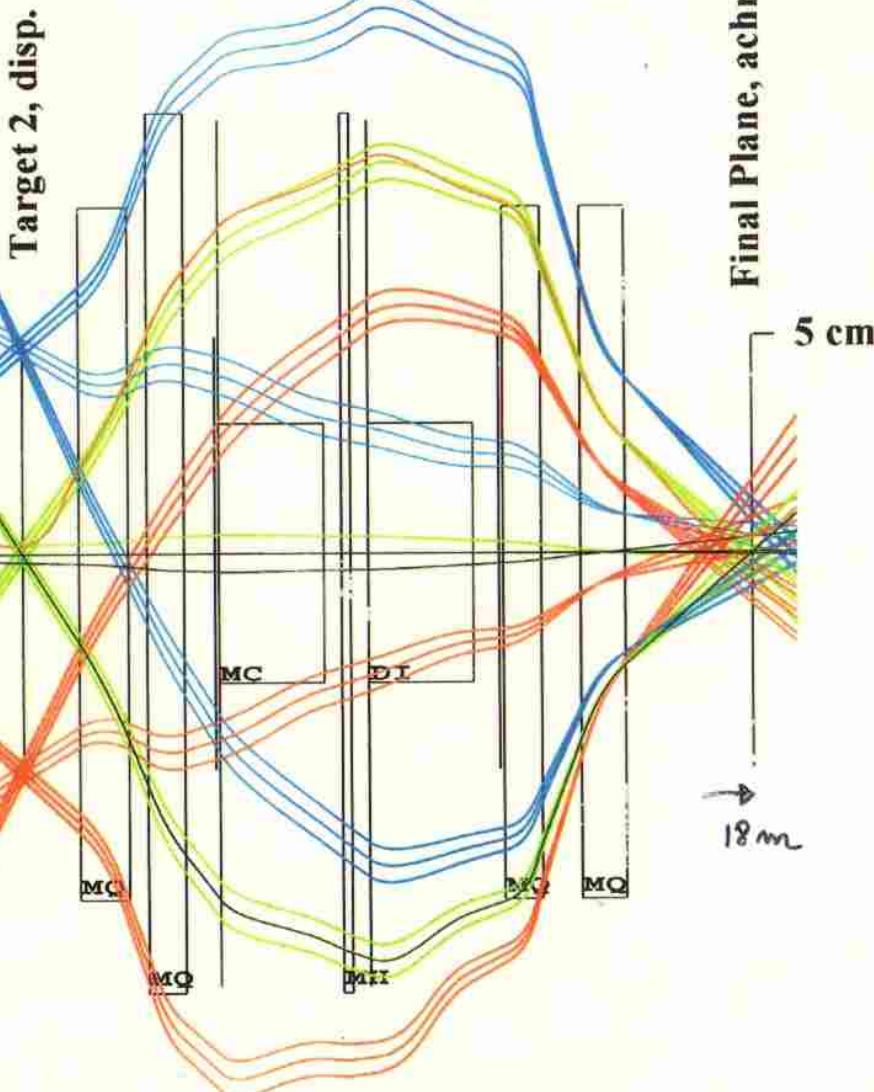
# TRI $\mu$ P Fragment Separator

3<sup>rd</sup> order COSY Infinity Calculation

## Horizontal Plane



# TRI $\mu$ P ion-optics



## Ray Definitions at Target

$$x = +/- 2 \text{ mm}$$

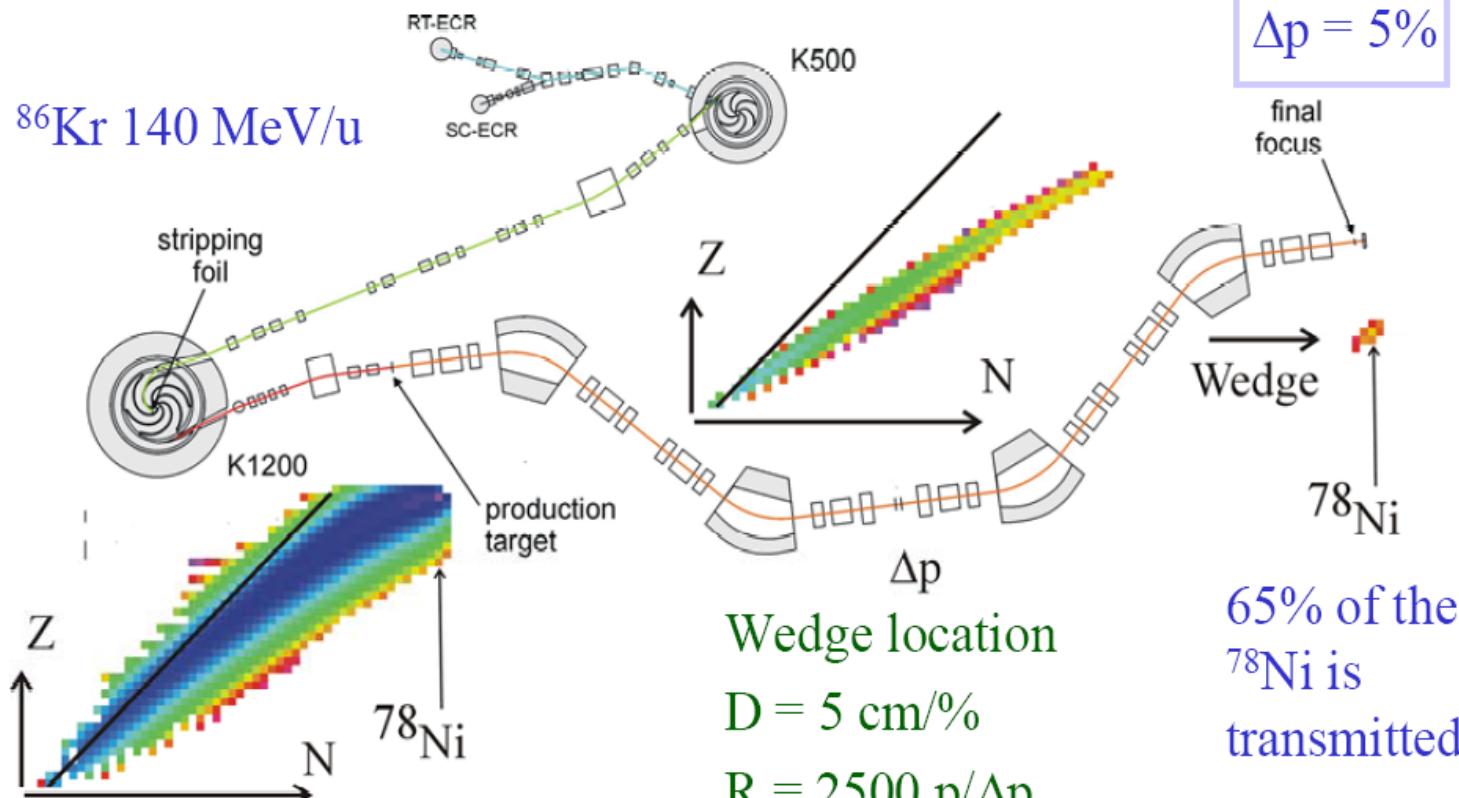
$$\theta = +/- 30 \text{ mrad}$$

$$dp = +/- 2.5 \%$$

# A1900 MSU/NSCL Fragment Separator

## Overview of the Fragment Separation Technique

The NSCL Coupled Cyclotron Facility – A1900 Separator

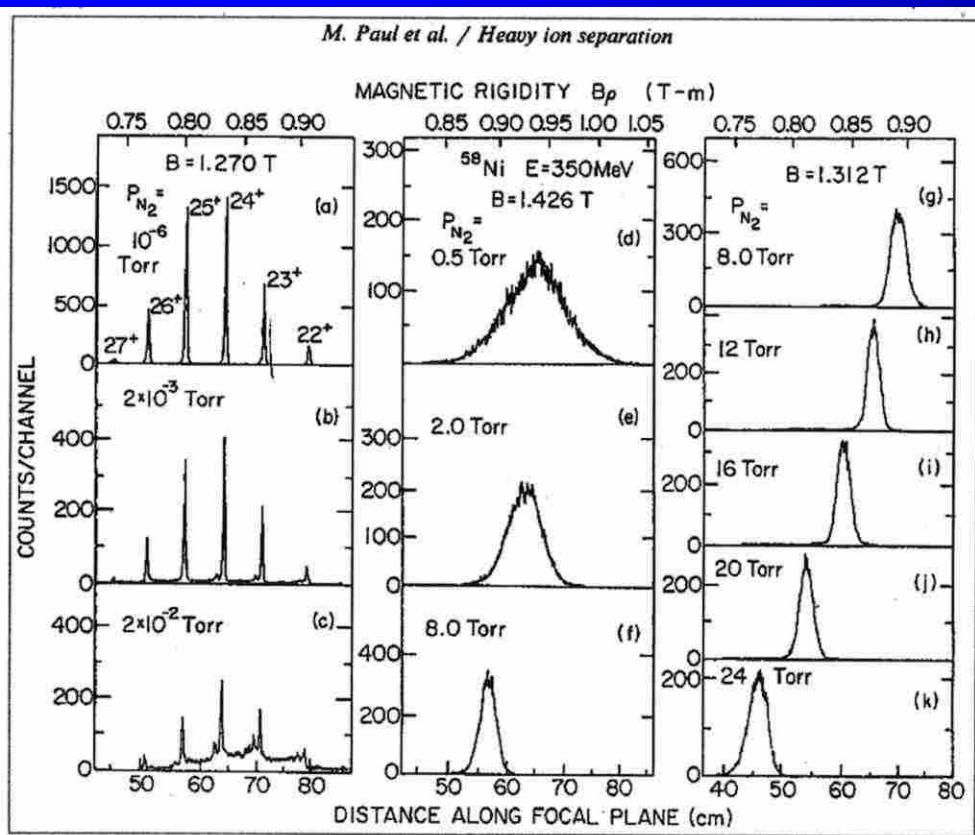
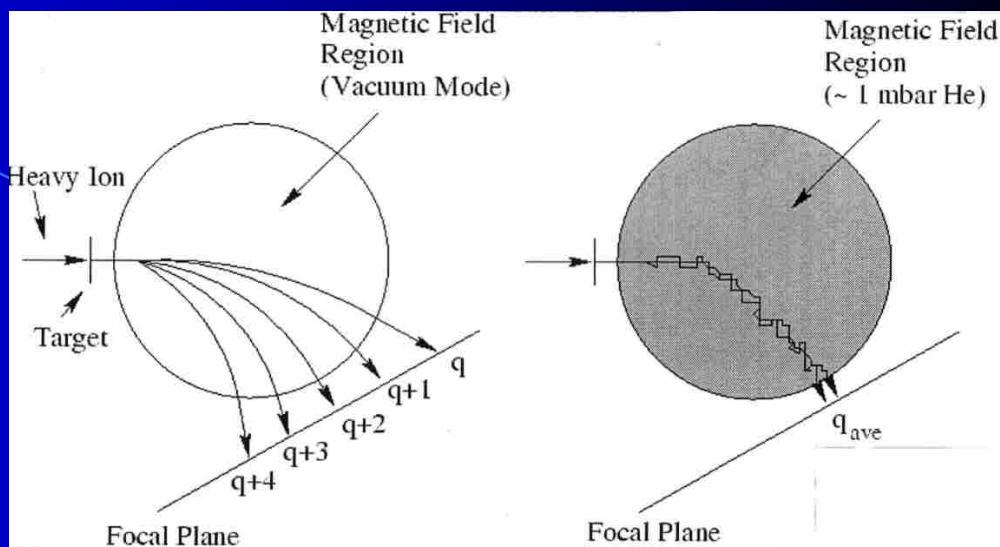


Another example are the BigRIPS Fragment Separator at RIKEN in Japan And the Super-FRS at GSI.

# Gas-filled separators Concept

**PROBLEM:** After target, a distribution of several charge states  $q$  exists for low  $E$  or large  $Z$ , with  $B\beta$  range typically larger than acceptance causing transmission losses.

**REMEDY:** gas-filled separator



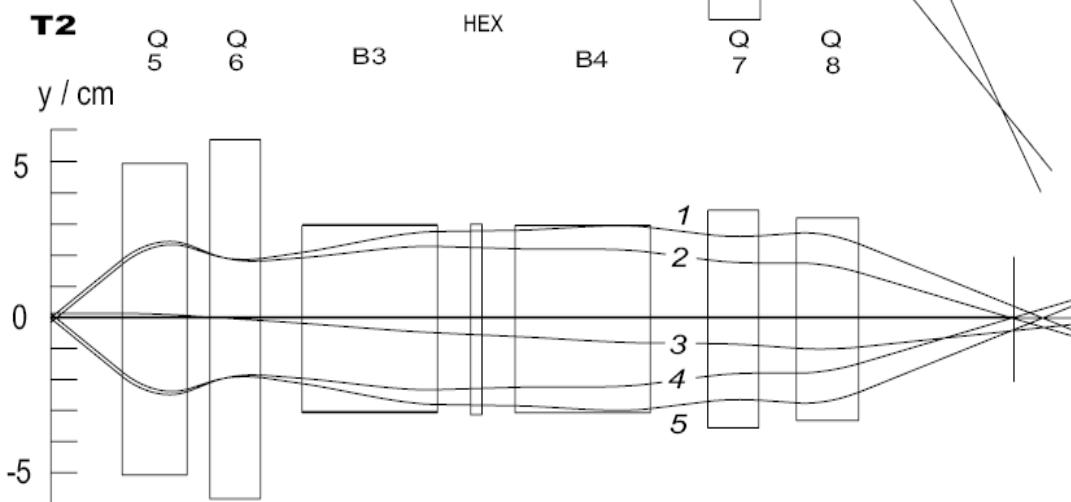
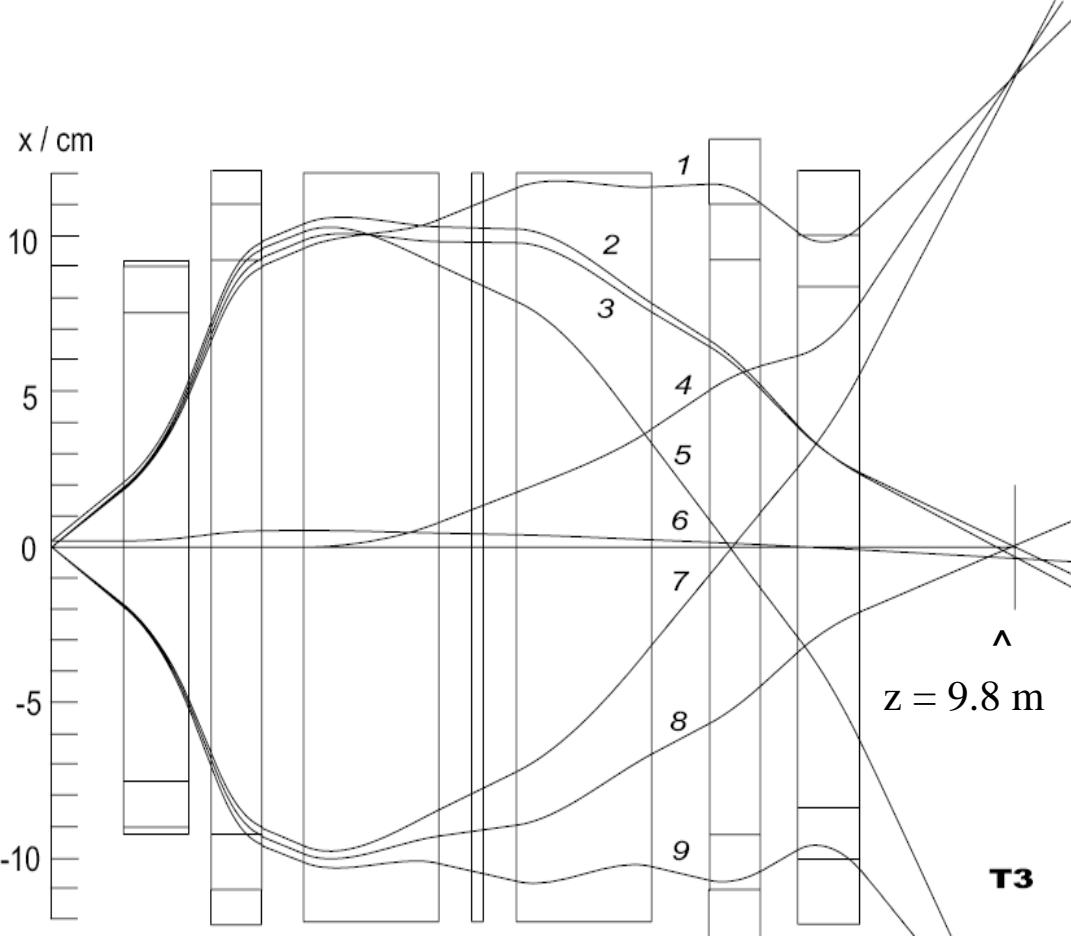
Rays in a magn. dipole field  
without and with gas-filling

Measured spectra as function of  
gas pressure (e.g. He, Ar)

M. Paul et al. NIM A 277 (1989) 418

# TRI $\mu$ P ion-optics Section B

A “long” achromatic separator system is not suitable for a gas-filled separator that should be “short” to reduce statistical E spread and have “large dispersion”

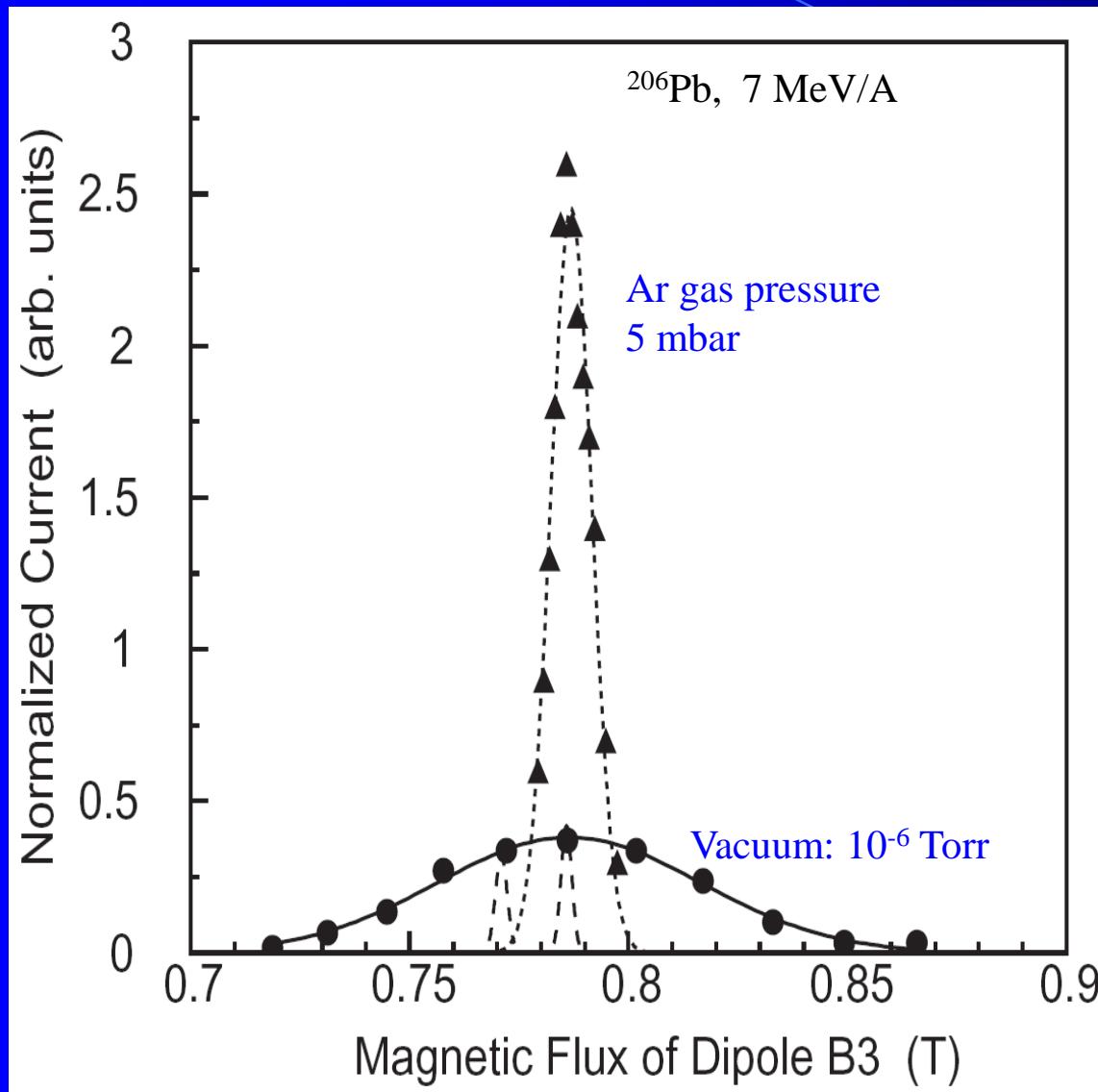


ray	x [mm]	$\Theta$ [mrad]	$\Delta E/E [\%]$	y [mm]	$\Phi$ [mrad]
1	0	30	4.0	-1.5	30
2	2	30	0	0	30
3	0	30	0	1.5	0
4	0	0	4.0	0	-30
5	0	30	-4.0	1.5	-30
6	2	0	0	0	
7	0	-30	4.0		
8	0	-30	0		
9	0	-30	-4.0		

Therefore:

The TRI $\mu$ P separator was  
Designed to be able operate  
with Section A as beam line  
& Section B as short gas-filled  
separator with large dispersion

# Charge state distribution in TRI $\mu$ P separator with gas-filling



# Difference between Fragment and Recoil Separators

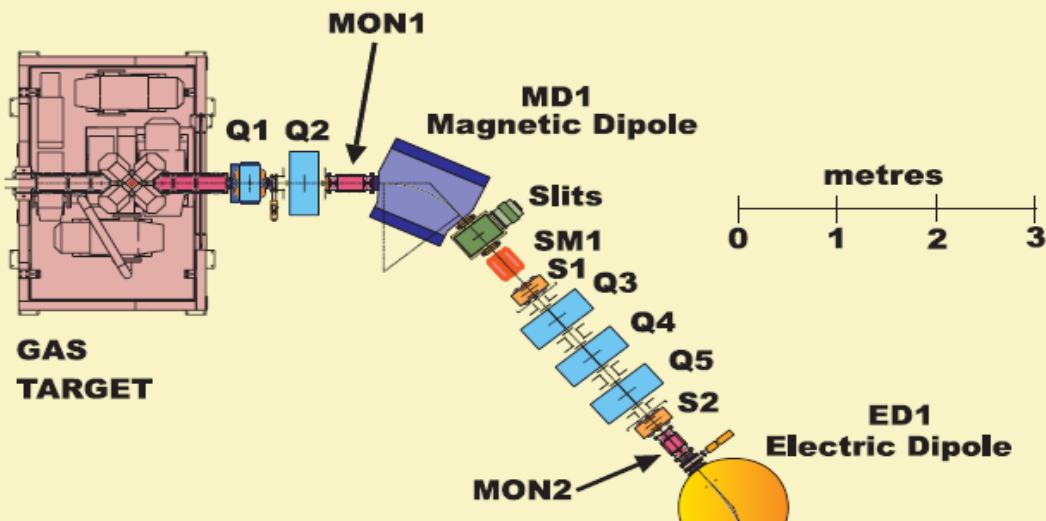
- ❖ Fragment separators use high energy beams to produce efficiently rare isotopes (RI).
- ❖ Recoil separators work at low energy to study astrophysical reactions.

## CONSEQUENCES:

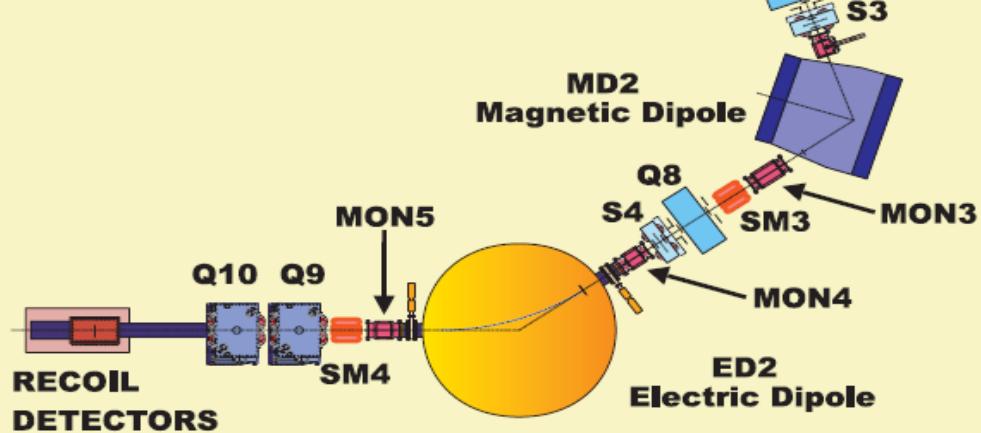
- Fragment separators use the  $\Delta E$  loss in Wedges to separate RI.
- Recoil separators use Electric fields to separate beam and recoils due to their mass differences. Either electric dipoles or Wien filters.

# DRAGON

## Recoil Separator with Electric Dipoles



**DRAGON**  
**(Detector of Recoils And  
Gammas Of Nuclear reactions)**

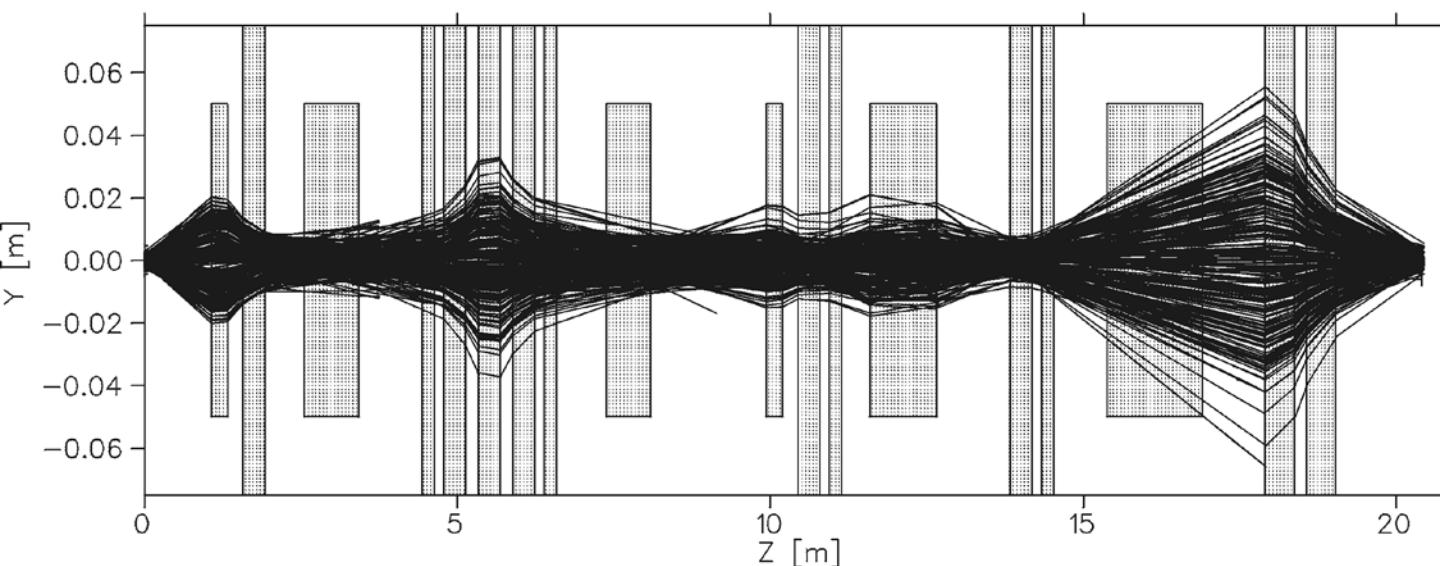
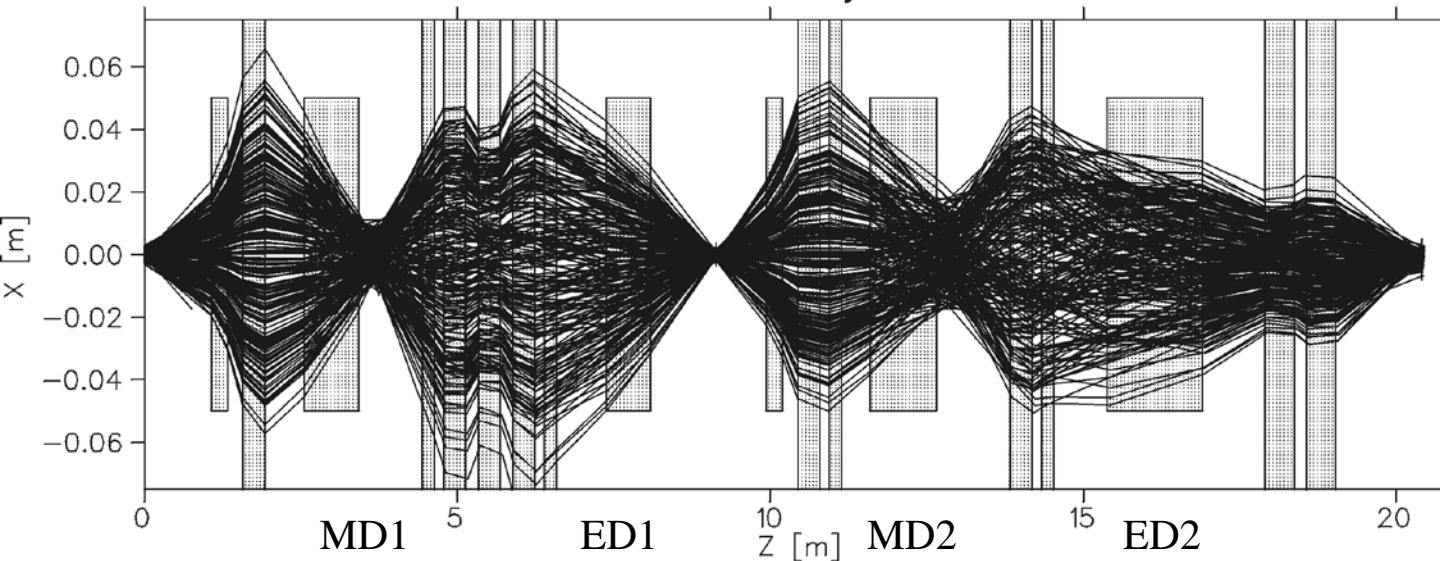


Study of astrophysics reactions using radioactive beams:

e.g.  $^{21}\text{Na}(\text{p},\gamma)^{22}\text{Mg}$  in inverse kinematics using a radioactive  $^{21}\text{Na}$  beam of 4.62 MeV to study NeNa cycle

Ref. Dragon Recoil  
Separator Optics,  
The Recoil Group,  
1/18/1999, TRIUMF

Horizontal and Vertical projections  
of  $^{19}\text{Ne}$  trajectories



Ref. J. M. D'Auria et al.  
TRIUMF

# EMMA

## Recoil Separator for ISAC-II at TRIUMF

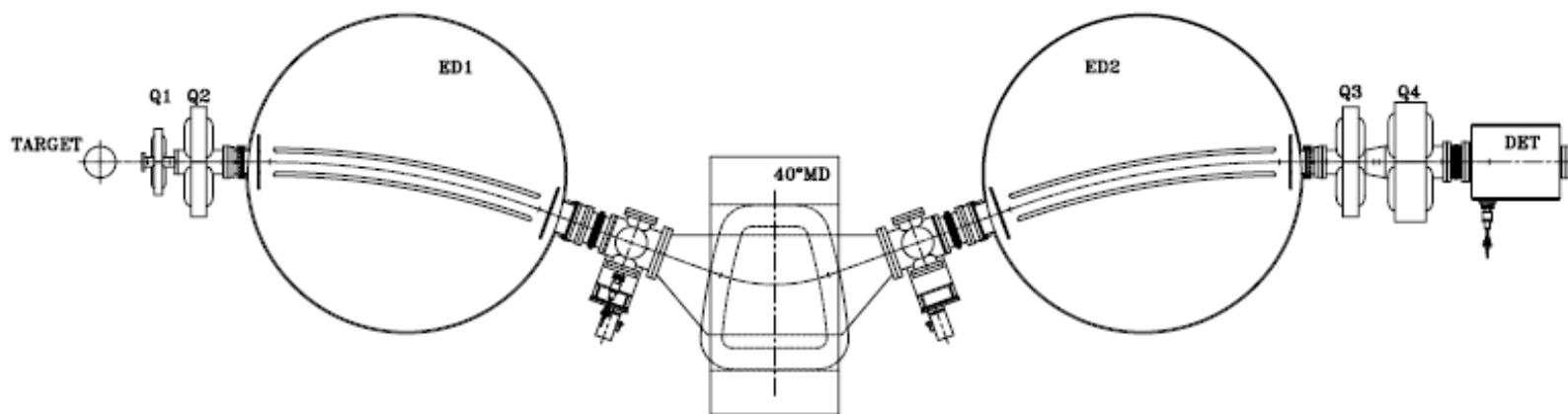
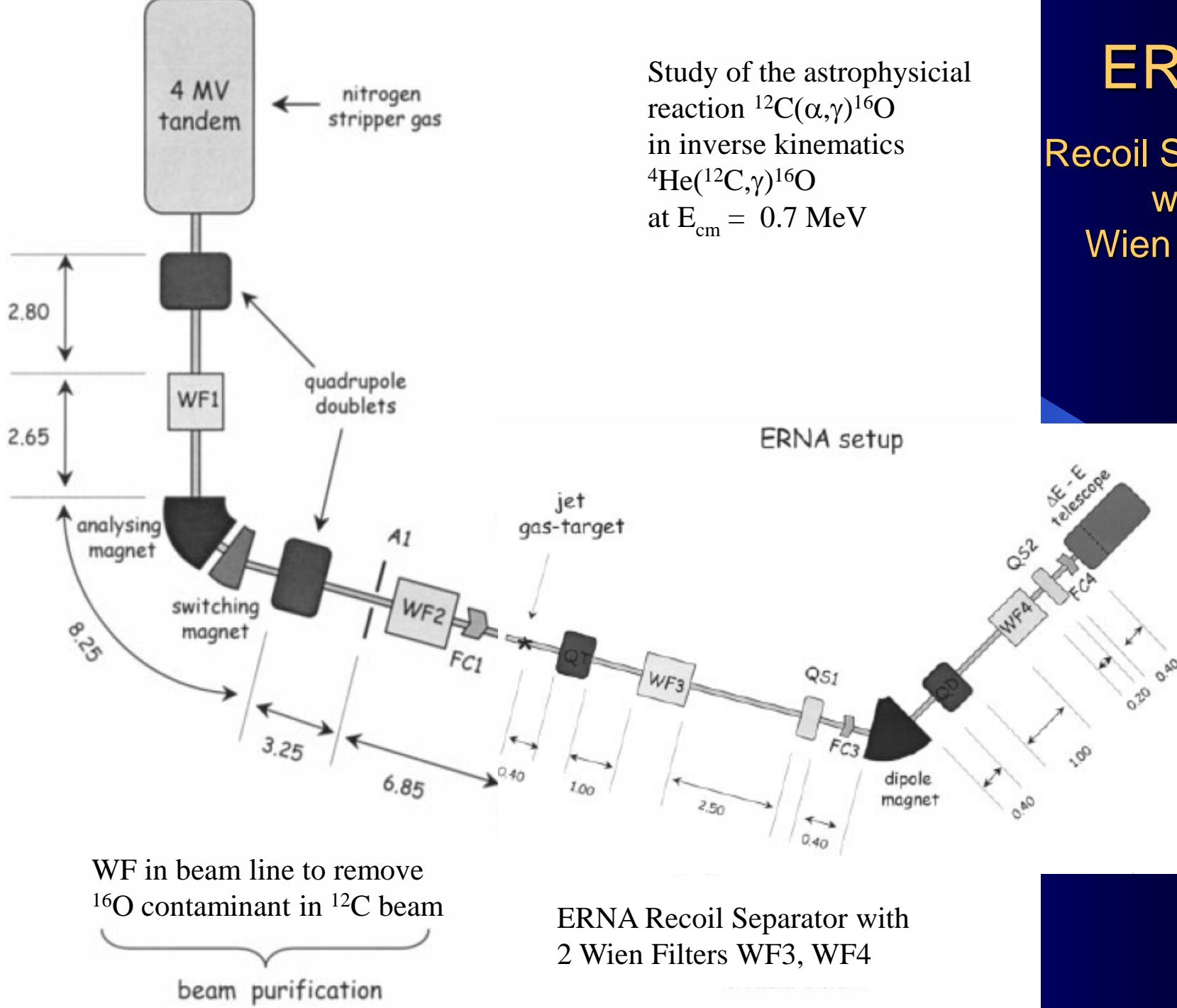


Fig. 1. Schematic view of EMMA, showing the target, quadrupole and dipole magnets, and electric dipoles. The detector box is also indicated.

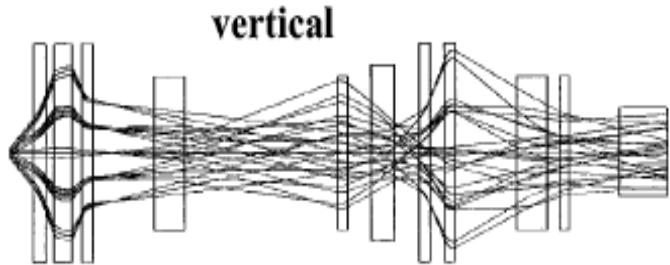
B. Davids, TRIUMF &  
C. Davids, ANL

# ERNA

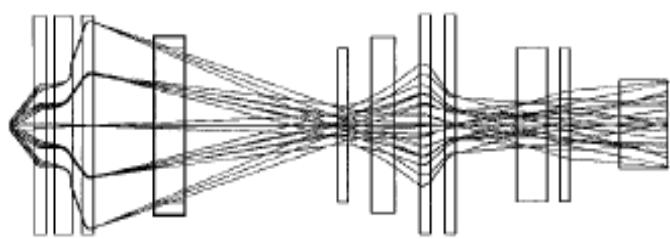
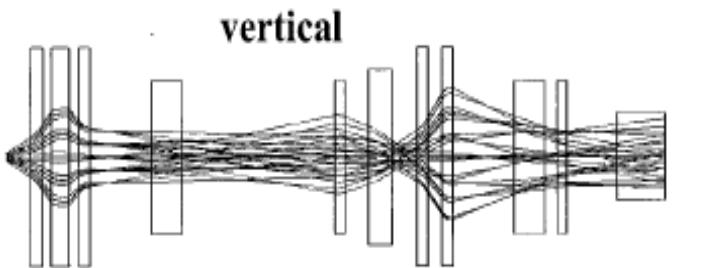
## Recoil Separator with Wien Filters



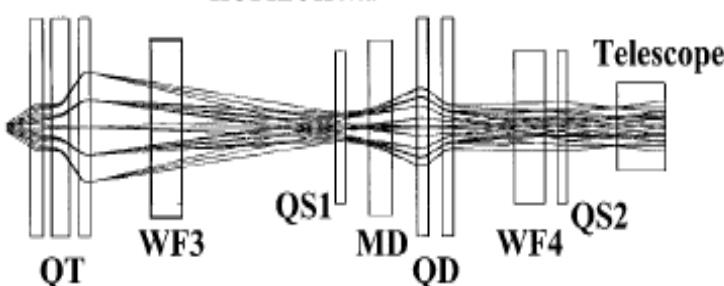
# Recoil Separator with Wien Filters

a)  $^{16}\text{O}^{3+}$  trajectories at  $E = 0.70 \text{ MeV}$ 

vertical

b)  $^{16}\text{O}^{6+}$  trajectories at  $E = 5.00 \text{ MeV}$ 

vertical



horizontal

Ion-optics of  
 $^{16}\text{O}^{3+}$  and  $6^+$  ions

3<sup>rd</sup> order calculations using  
COSY Infinity

$^{12}\text{C}$  beam mainly stopped in  
Faraday cup between QS1 and MD

Fig. 2. Samples of  $^{16}\text{O}$  trajectories are shown for (a)  $E = 0.70 \text{ MeV}$  ( $q_0 = 3^+$ ,  $\theta_{\max} = 1.9^\circ$ ,  $\Delta E = 0.13 \text{ MeV}$ ) and (b)  $E = 5.0 \text{ MeV}$  ( $q_0 = 6^+$ ,  $\theta_{\max} = 1.0^\circ$ ,  $\Delta E = 0.44 \text{ MeV}$ ). The trajectories start at the jet gas-target ( ${}^4\text{He}$  target density =  $1 \times 10^{18} \text{ atoms/cm}^2$ ) and are followed through the filtering and focusing elements of ERNA (indicated by square boxes) up to the telescope (WF = Wien filter, QS = quadrupole singlet, QD = quadrupole doublet, QT = quadrupole triplet, MD = magnetic dipole). A red box highlights the text: "12C beam mainly stopped in Faraday cup between QS1 and MD".

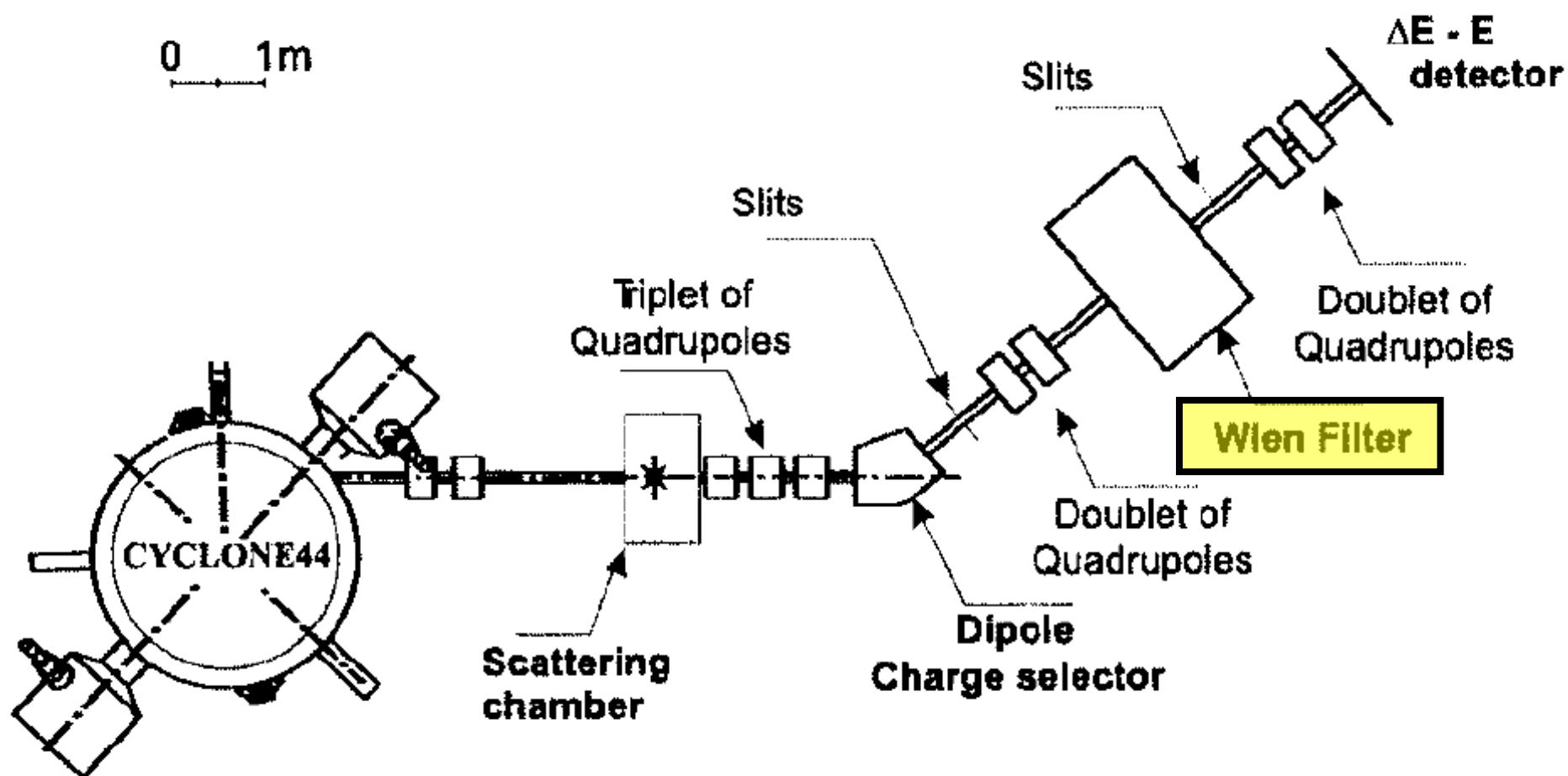
Study of astrophysics reactions using radioactive beams.

ARES

Example: Hot CNO breakout reaction  $^{19}\text{Ne}(\text{p},\gamma)^{20}\text{Na}$  in inverse kinematics using a radioactive  $^{19}\text{Ne}$  beam of 10.1 MeV

Ref. M. Couder, PhD Thesis July 2004, Louvain-La-Neuve

Recoil Separator  
with a  
Wien Filter



# Recoil Separator St. George

Study of  $(\alpha, \gamma)$  [and  $(p, \gamma)$ ] of astrophysics importance,  
for  $A < \approx 40$  targets,  
emphasis on low energies, i.e. very small cross sections,  
max. energy of 4 MeV/A

An overview of reaction result in the following  
DESIGN PARAMETERS

Maximum magnetic rigidity  $B\beta$ : 0.45 Tm

Minimum magnetic rigidity  $B\beta$ : 0.10 Tm

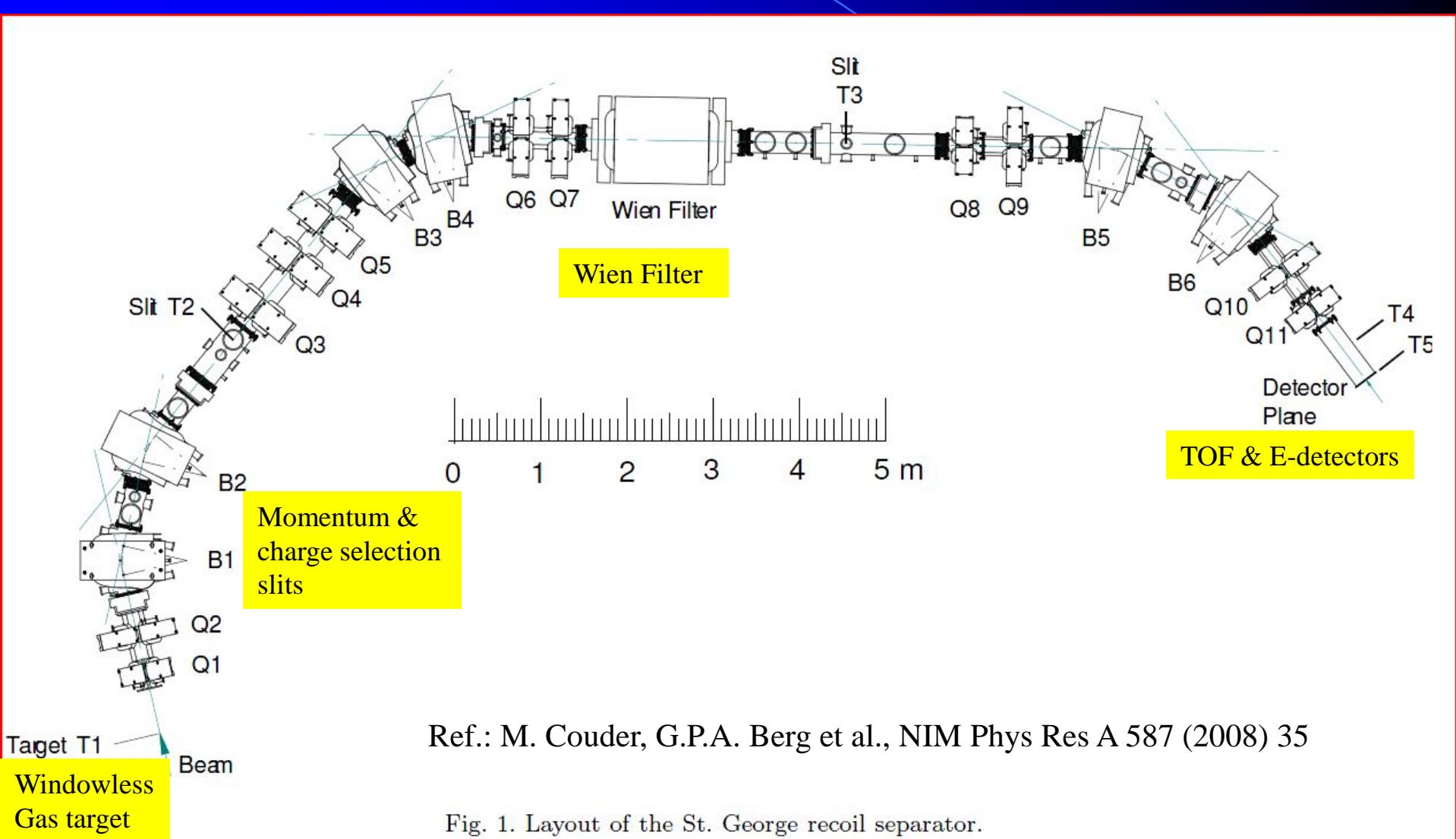
Momentum acceptance  $d\beta$ : +/- 3.7 %

Angle acceptance, horiz & vert.: +/- 40 mrad

Further design considerations:

- Two phase construction
- Charge selection by  $B\beta$  analysis (typical: 50% Transmission)
- High mass resolution ( $\Delta m/m \cong 100$ , 1<sup>st</sup> phase with 2 Wien Filters)
- Higher mass resolution ( $\Delta m/m \cong 600$ ) 2nd phase
- Wien Filters for mass resolution (energy too low for “Wedge” method)

# St. George, Layout



$$\vec{F} = q\vec{E} + q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

*Electric force*                    *Magnetic force*

(1)

$F = 0$       when  $qE = qv \times B$       with  $E \perp B$

$v = E/B$       with  $E \perp B$       (22)

$v \neq E/B$

$F = (m/q)a = E + vB$

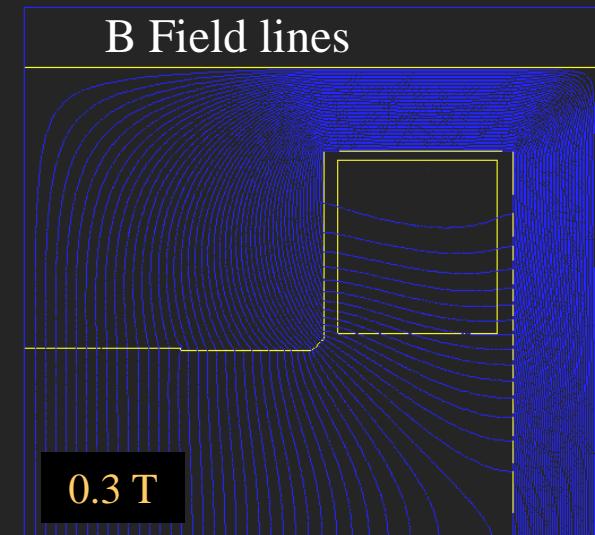
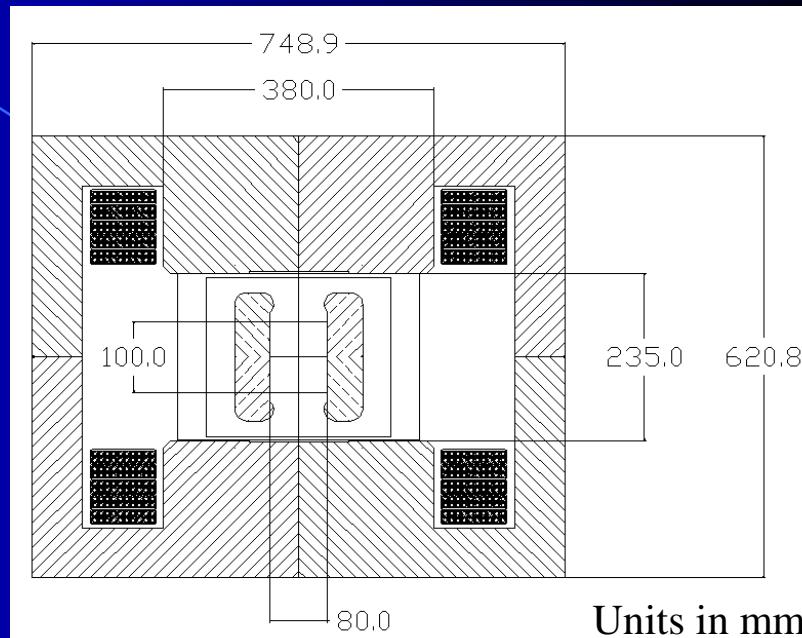
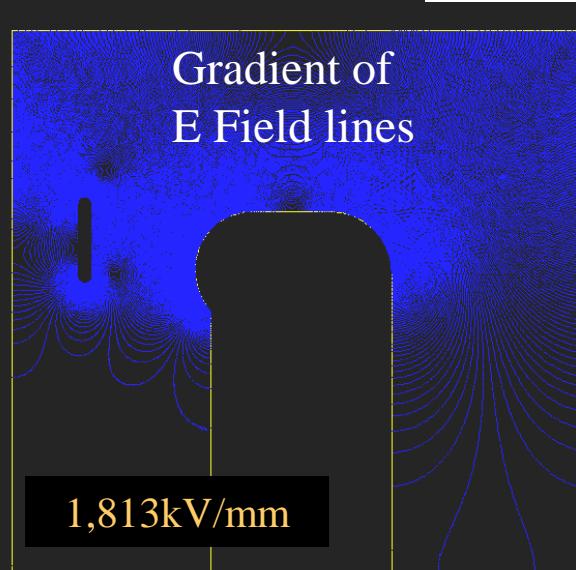
$a$  = acceleration

Leads to  $m/q$  separation

Select  $q$  before Wien Filter

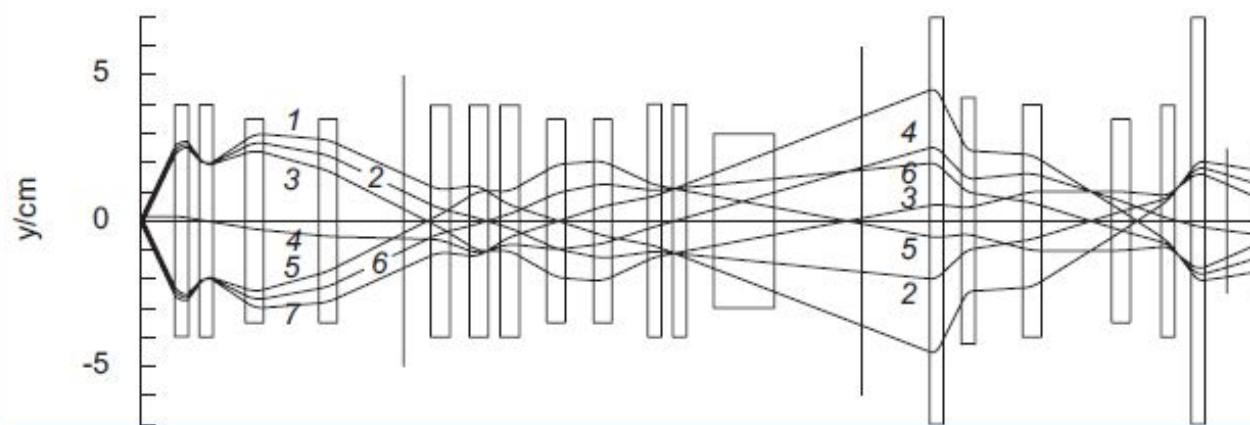
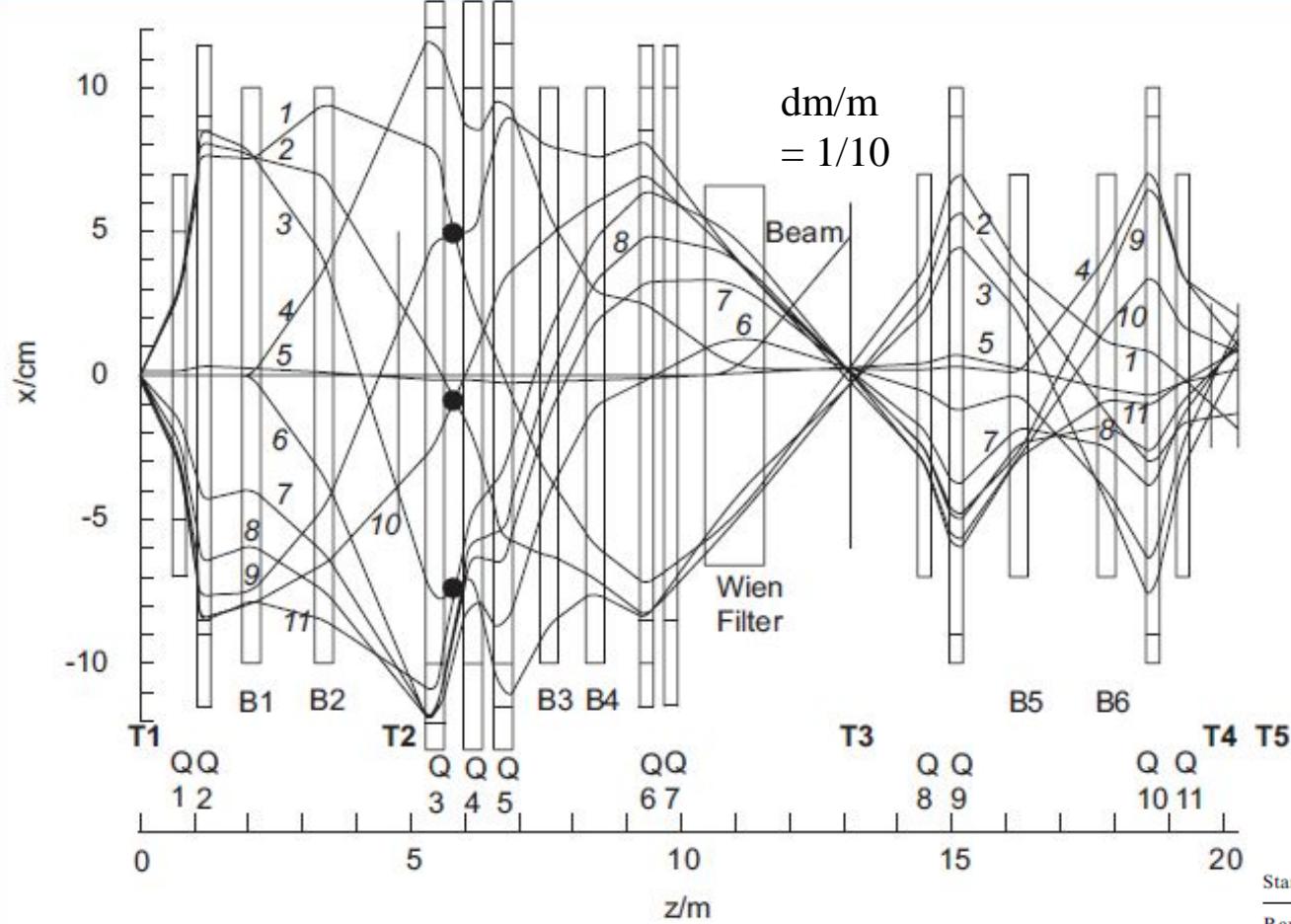
Design study of  
Wien Filter  
for St. George

Electrostatic system of  
Danfysik Wien Filter



# St. George Ion-optics

## Characteristic rays



Starting values of the 11 horizontal and 7 vertical rays shown in Fig. 2

Ray number	Horizontal rays			Vertical rays	
	x (mm)	$\Theta$ (mrad)	$\delta E/E$ (%)	y (mm)	$\Phi$ (mrad)
1	0	40	7.5	-1.5	40
2	0	40	0	0	40
3	0	40	-7.5	1.5	40
4	0	0	13	1.5	0
5	1.5	0	0	1.5	-40
6	0	0	-10.5	0	-40
7	0	-20	-9.5	-1.5	-40
8	0	-30	-9.0		
9	0	-40	7.5		
10	1.5	-40	0		
11	0	-40	-7.5		
Beam	0	0	0		

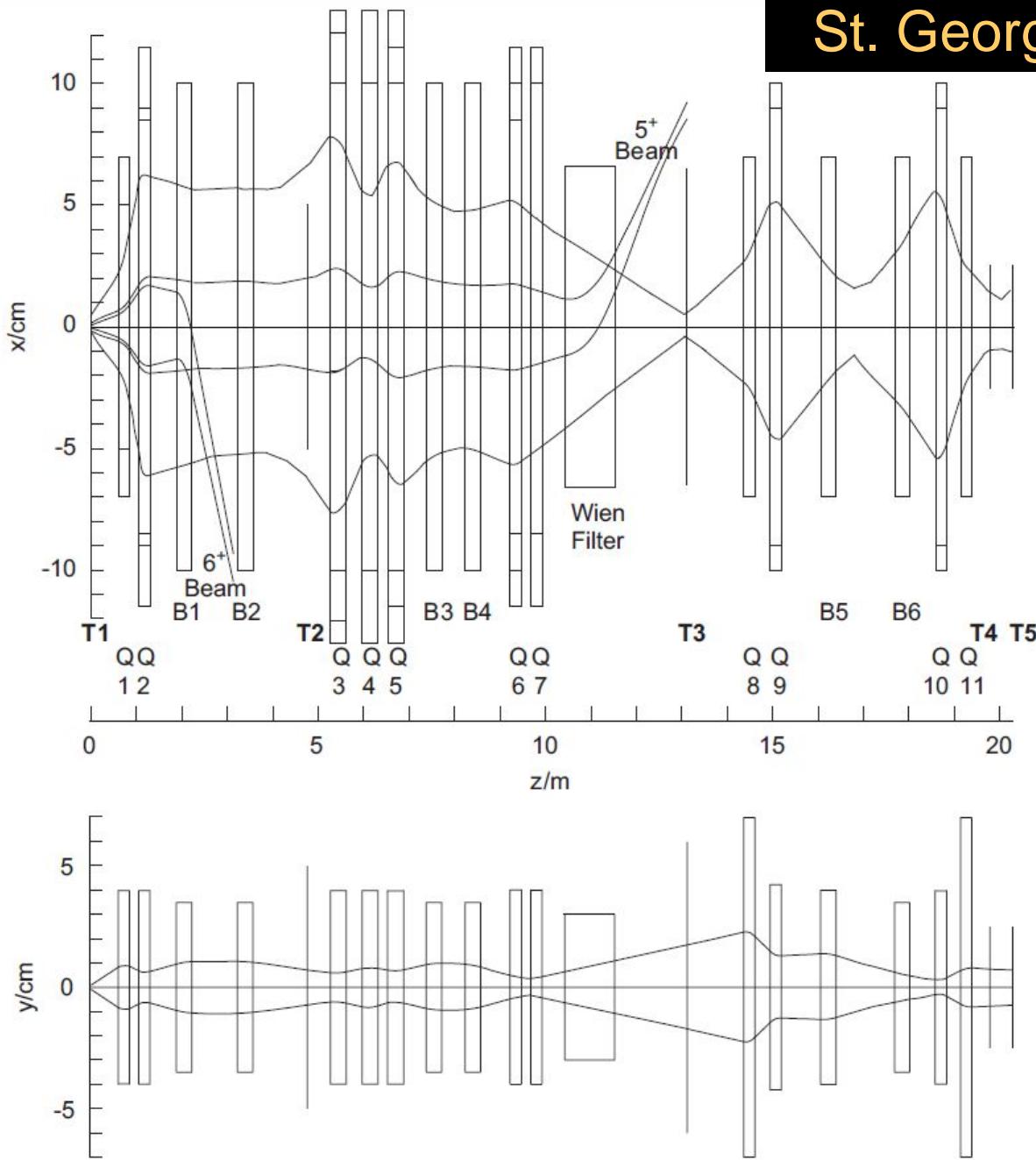


Fig. 3. Ion optics of the  $^{22}\text{Ne}(\alpha, \gamma)^{26}\text{Mg}$  reaction in inverse kinematics at 4.6 MeV incident energy. Shown are the horizontal envelopes of the  $5^+$  reaction products, and the most abundant  $5^+$  and the  $6^+$  beams. The lower panel shows the vertical envelope of the reaction products.

# St. George Wien Filter (velocity filter)

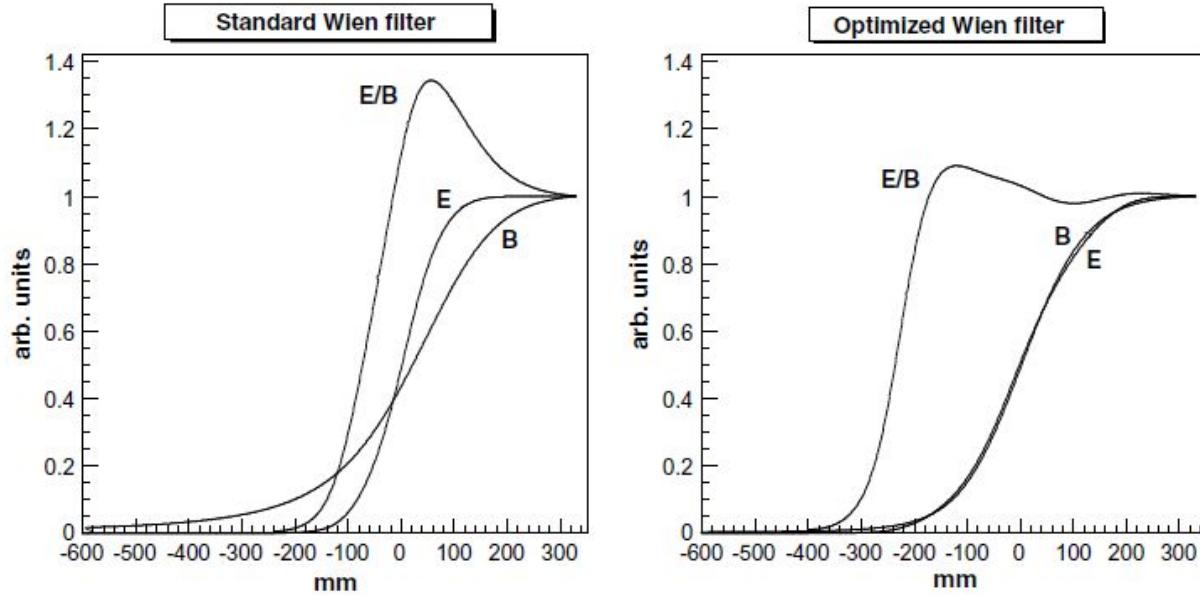


Fig. 3. Fringe field comparison of a standard Wien filter (left panel) and the newly designed (right panel). The ratio of the fields is also shown.

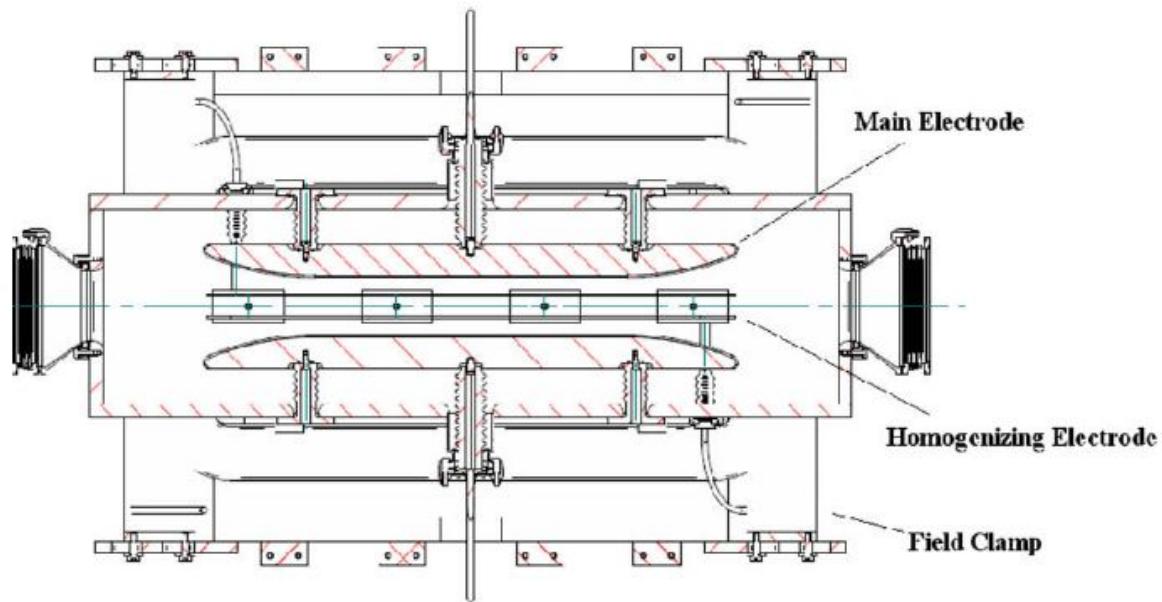


Fig. 4. A top view of the horizontal midplane of the Wien filter is shown. Electrostatic dipole is mounted inside the magnet.

# SECAR

- SECAR radiative capture on unstable beams, can only be measured in inverse kinematics
- Designed to make use of high-intensity FRIB beams
- Up to masses  $A = 65$  to cover the expected mass range of the rp process,  $(p, \gamma)$
- Beam rejection  $10^{17}$ , therefore mass separation  $m/dm > 750$
- 4 ion-optical sections, charge selection, first Wien Filter, second Wien Filter, clean-up section
- Energy range  $E_{cm} = 0.2 - 3$  MeV

# Broad Set of Reactions Define Rigidity and Acceptance Parameters

Charge B

Reaction	E <sub>cm</sub> Beam MeV	Q- value MeV	dE/E Range %	Recoil Charge q	Half Angle, Recoil mrad	B <sub>p</sub> Recoil Tm	E <sub>p</sub> Recoil MV	B <sub>p</sub> Beam Tm
<sup>15</sup> O(α,γ) <sup>19</sup> Ne	0.5	3.529	±3.1	3	±15.6	0.29	1.25	0.14
	3	3.529	±2.1	6	±10.3	0.35	3.75	0.35
<sup>44</sup> Ti(α,γ) <sup>48</sup> Cr	0.5	7.696	±2.3	4	±11.7	0.58	2.74	0.19
	3	7.696	±1.3	10	±6.2	0.57	6.59	0.48
<sup>19</sup> Ne(p,γ) <sup>20</sup> Na	0.2	2.193	±1.3	4	±6.4	0.31	1.88	0.21
	3	2.193	±0.71	9	±3.6	0.54	12.5	0.81
<sup>23</sup> Mg(p,γ) <sup>24</sup> Al	0.2	1.872	±0.92	4	±4.6	0.38	2.28	0.15
	3	1.872	±0.56	11	±2.8	0.53	12.4	0.58
<sup>25</sup> Al(p,γ) <sup>26</sup> Si	0.2	5.517	±2.3	4	±11.7	0.41	2.48	0.15
	3	5.517	±0.90	11	±4.5	0.58	13.5	0.58
<sup>30</sup> P(p,γ) <sup>31</sup> S	0.2	6.133	±2.2	4	±10.8	0.49	3.97	0.15
	3	6.133	±0.80	12	±4.0	0.63	14.8	0.58
<sup>33</sup> Cl(p,γ) <sup>34</sup> Ar	0.2	4.663	±1.5	5	±7.6	0.43	2.6	0.31
	3	4.663	±0.6	14	±3.1	0.59	14.0	1.19
<sup>34</sup> Cl(p,γ) <sup>35</sup> Ar	0.2	5.897	±1.8	5	±9.2	0.44	2.7	0.32
	3	5.897	±0.7	14	±3.5	0.61	14.4	1.22
<sup>37</sup> K(p,γ) <sup>38</sup> Ca	0.2	4.548	±1.3	5	±6.6	0.48	2.9	0.27
	3	4.548	±0.54	15	±2.7	0.62	14.6	1.04
<sup>38</sup> K(p,γ) <sup>39</sup> Ca	0.2	5.763	±1.6	5	±8.1	0.49	3.0	0.27
	3	5.763	±0.61	15	±3.1	0.64	15.0	1.06
<sup>65</sup> As(p,γ) <sup>66</sup> Se	0.2	2.030	±0.35	6	±1.8	0.70	4.3	0.18
	3	2.030	±0.21	21	±1.0	0.77	18.4	0.71

- These reactions define the following required design parameters
  - Even at highest energy most beams can be used for setup of experiments with sufficient count rate
  - Otherwise less-abundant higher charge states can be used

Min. - Max. B<sub>p</sub> 0.14- 0.80 Tm

Min. – Max E<sub>p</sub> 1.0 – 19 MV

Angle Accept., x, y +/- 25 mrad

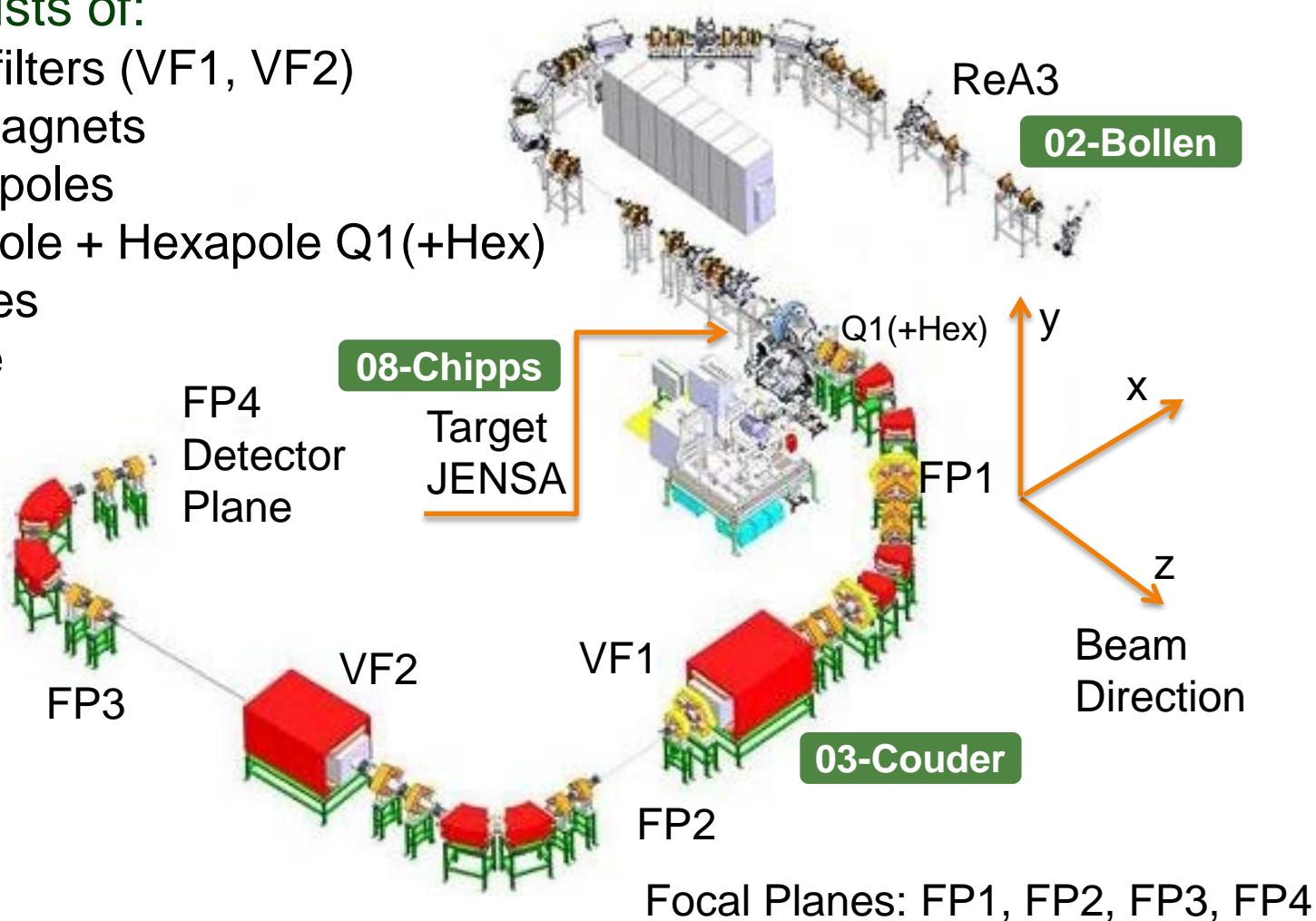
Energy Acceptance +/- 3.1 %

# SECAR Layout

Charge B

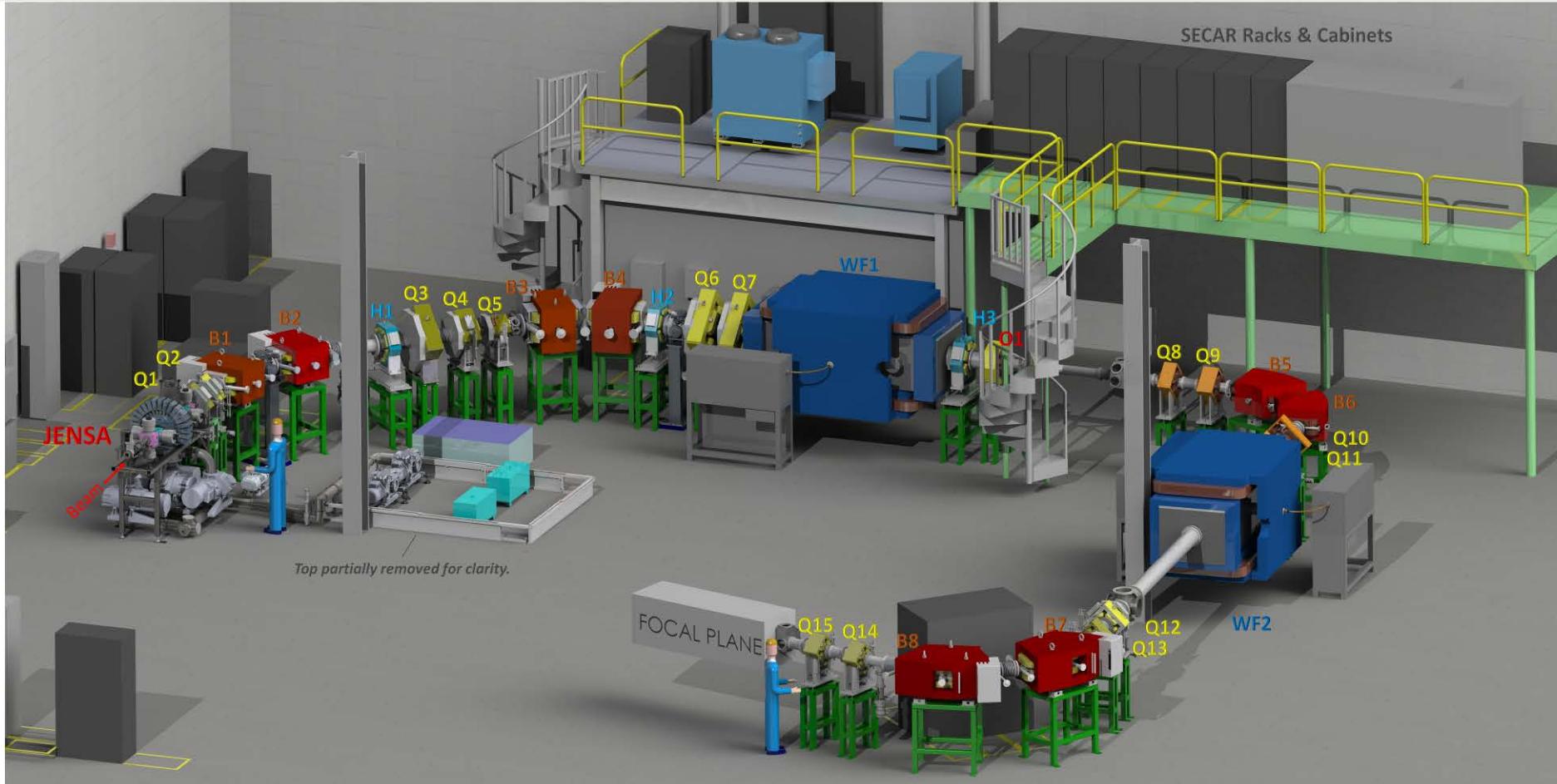
- SECAR consists of:

- 2 Velocity filters (VF1, VF2)
- 8 Dipole magnets
- 14 Quadrupoles
- 1 Quadrupole + Hexapole Q1(+Hex)
- 3 Hexapoles
- 1 Octupole



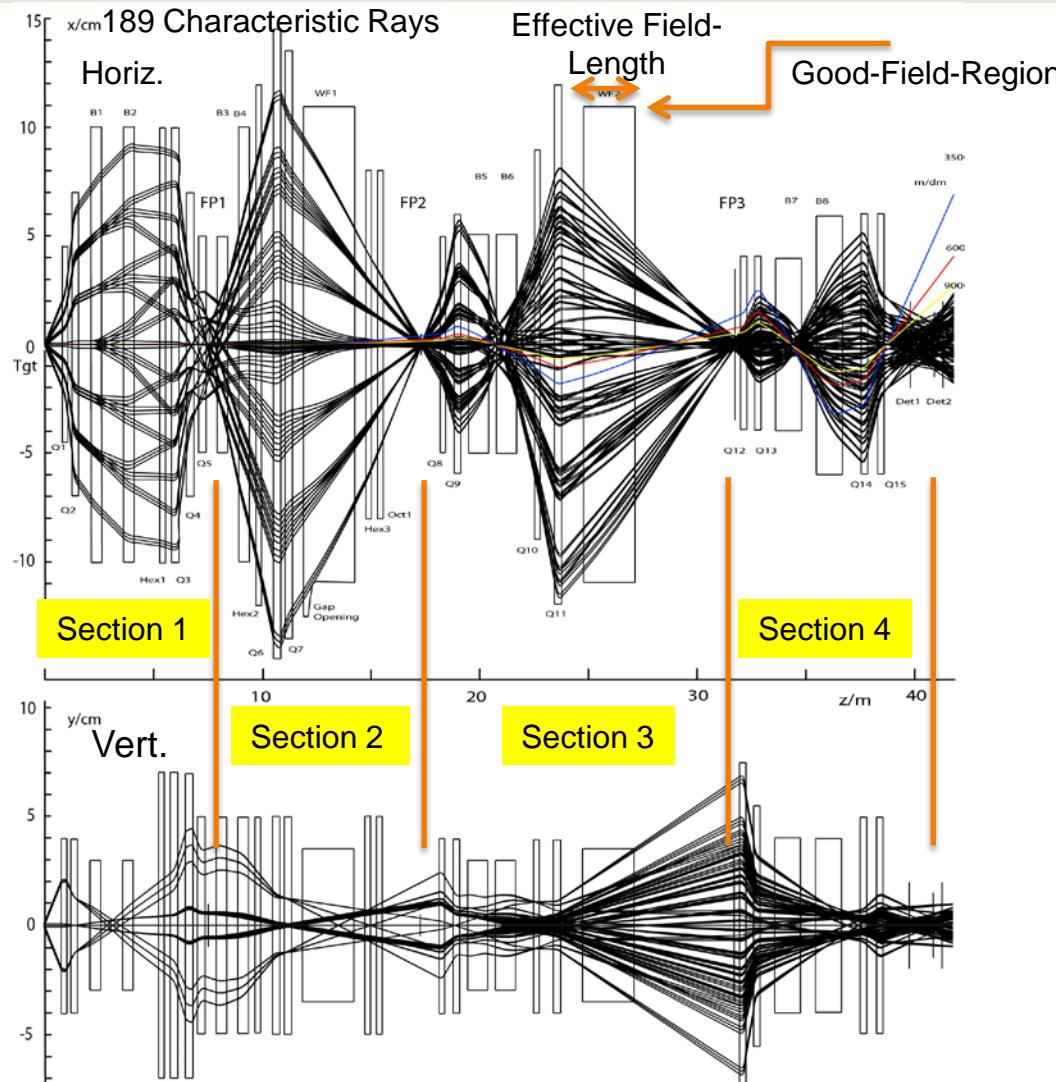
Separator for  
Capture Reactions

# SECAR Recoil Separator for Astrophysical Capture Reactions



# Ion Optics Optimized

Charge B



**Section 1** Target to FP1  
Charge state Selection  
Dispersive focus

**Section 2** FP1 to FP2  
Mass Resolv. Power  $R_m = 747$   
Mass Resolution  $R_{HO} = 508$   
Achromatic focus

**Section 3** FP2 to FP3  
Mass Resolv. Power  $R_m = 1283$   
Mass Resolution = 767  
Disp.  $R_{16}=0$ , focus  $R_{12} = 0$

**Section 4** FP3 to Det1/Det2  
Particle detection, HO correction  
Cleanup section

Optimized up to 4<sup>th</sup> order, using  
4 Hexapoles, 1 Octupole  
Dipole edges up to 4<sup>th</sup> order

**SECAR**

# End Lecture 3