

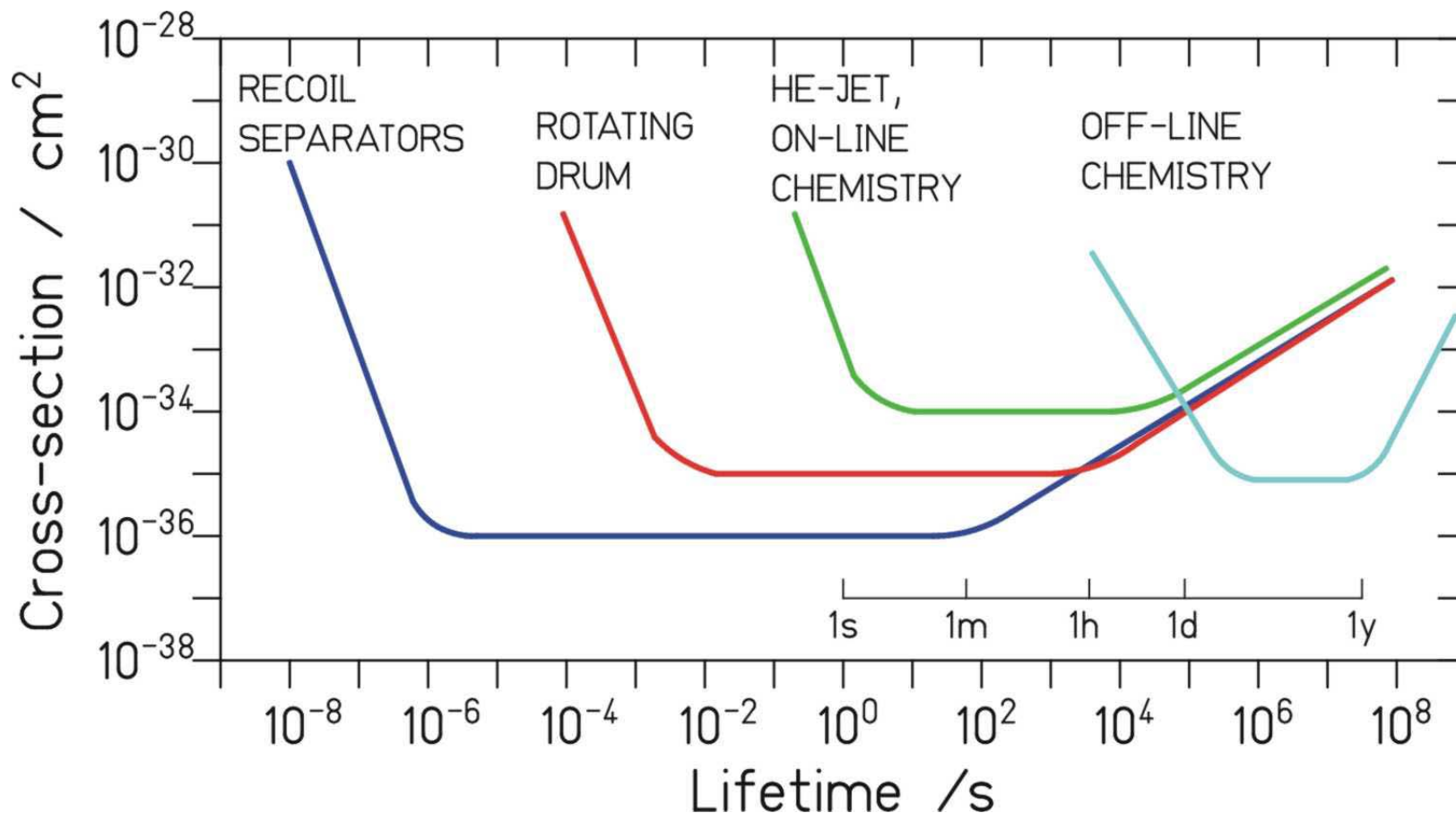
Physics with Exotic Nuclei and Exotic Atoms at Relativistic Energies

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- * Introduction ✓
- * Momentum Measurements, Ion Optics, ✓
Spectrometers
- * Atomic Interaction of Heavy Ions ✓
- * Exotic Atoms ✓
- * **Production and Separation of Exotic Nuclei**

Experimental Methods to separate and to detect Exotic Nuclei

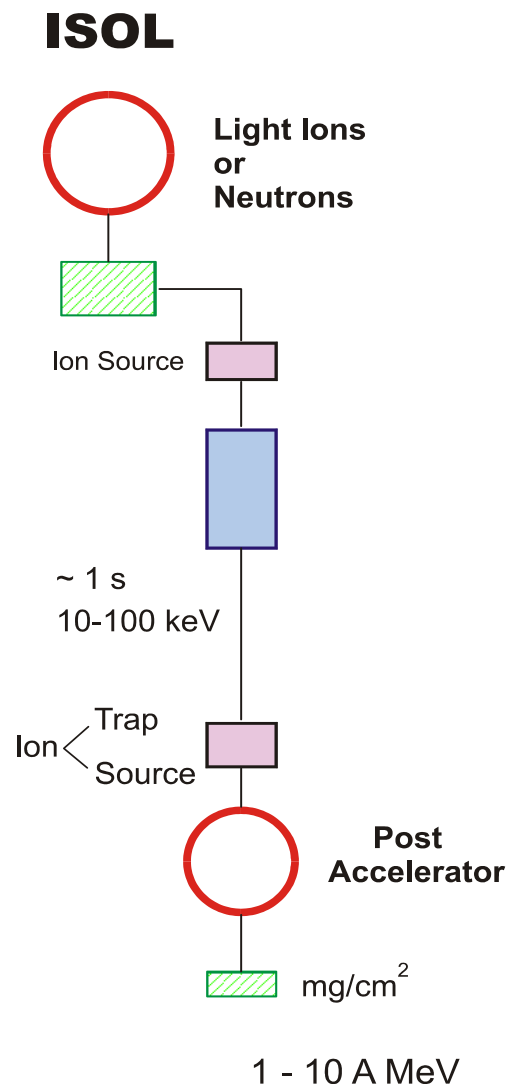
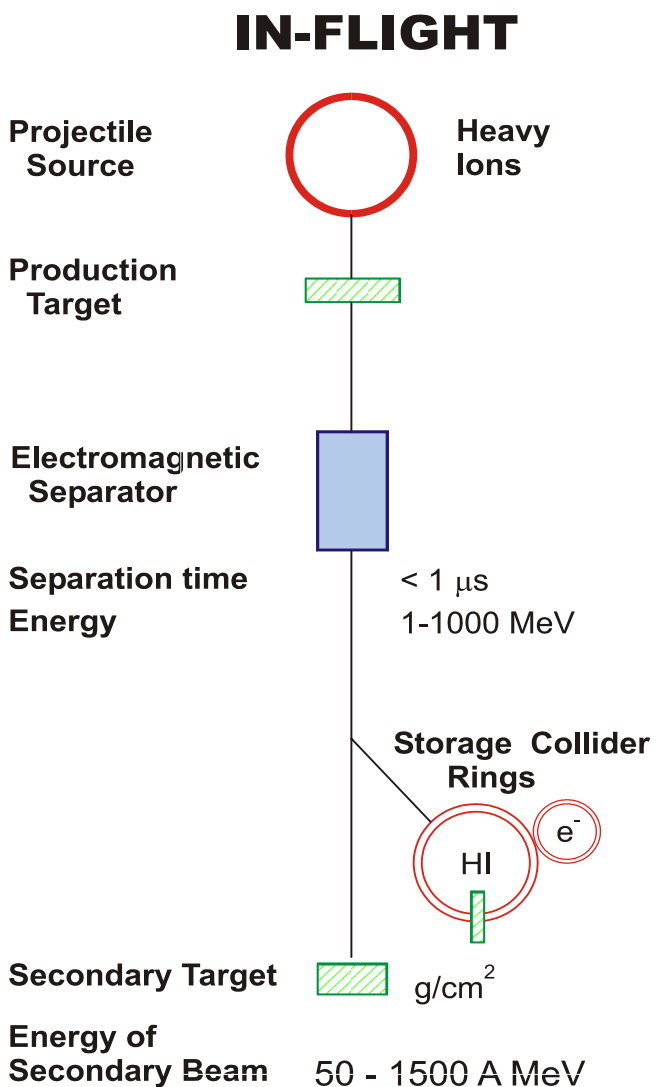


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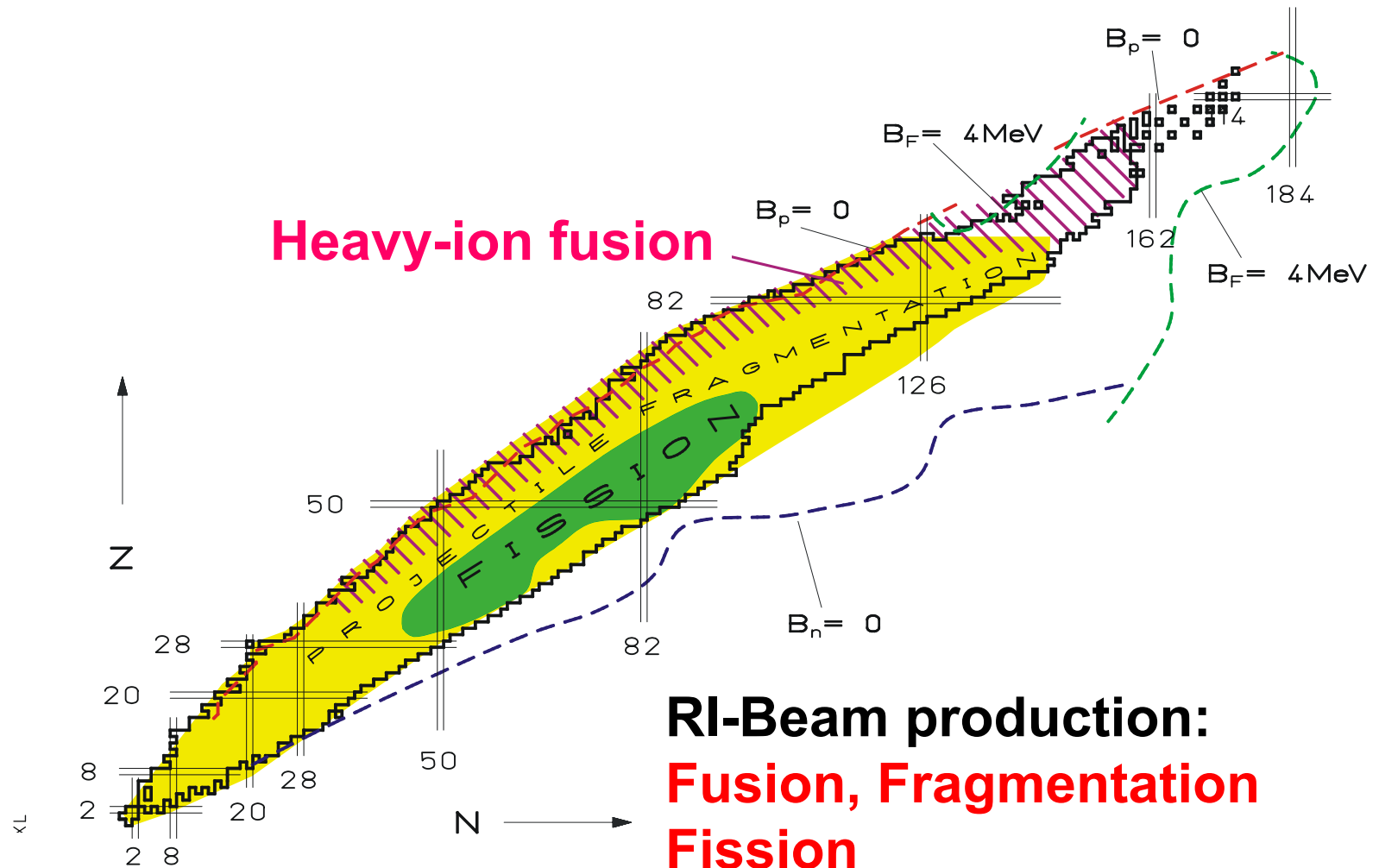
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Production and Separation Schemes

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Production of Energetic Exotic Nuclei



Characterization of Nuclear Reactions

de Broglie wavelength: $\lambda = \frac{h}{p} = \frac{hc}{[2mc^2 E + E^2]^{1/2}} = \frac{1239.86 \text{ MeV fm}}{[2mc^2 E + E^2]^{1/2}}$

for a proton:

Nuclear radius:

$R = 1.13 \text{ fm } A^{1/3}$

E (MeV)	p(MeV/c)	λ (fm)
1	43.2	28.7
10	136.8	9.1
100	443.0	2.8
1000	1692.0	0.7

$\lambda \geq R$:

Reactions determined by nuclear potential and binding energies

Fusion, Fission

$\lambda \leq \text{range of nuclear force } (\approx 1 \text{ fm})$:

Collisions with individual nucleons ($t_{coll} = r/v \approx 10^{-23} \text{ s}$, $v(1000 \text{ MeV/u}) = 2.62 \cdot 10^8 \text{ m/s}$)

Fragmentation

The fusion cross section: two step process fusion-survival

The **production** of a certain isotope is

$$\sigma_{\text{ER}} = \sigma_{\text{fus}} (E_{\text{p}} - E_{\text{B}}, \ell)^* w_x(E^*, \ell)$$

The **fusion cross section** is

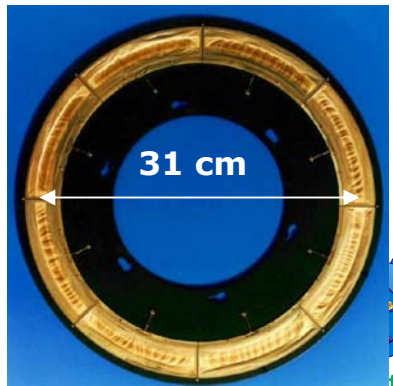
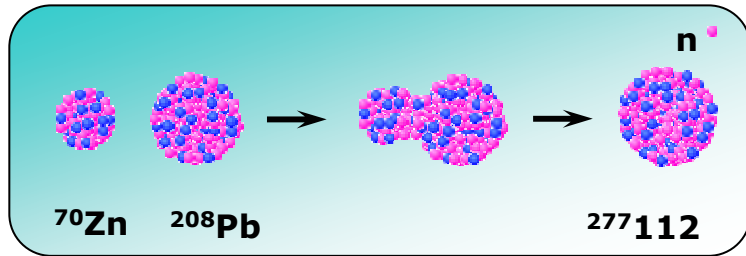
$$\sigma_{\text{fus}} = \pi \hat{\lambda}^2 \sum_{\ell=0}^{\ell_{\text{lim}}} (2\ell + 1)^* T_{\ell}(E_{\text{p}} - E_{\text{B}})$$

where $\hat{\lambda}^2 = \hbar^2 / (2\mu E_{\text{p}})$ denotes the reduced deBroglie wavelength

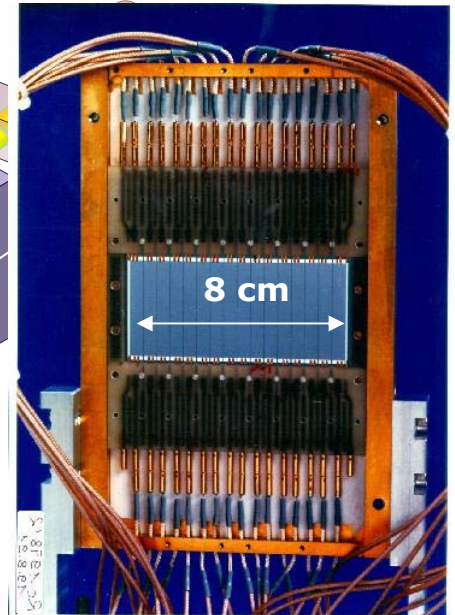
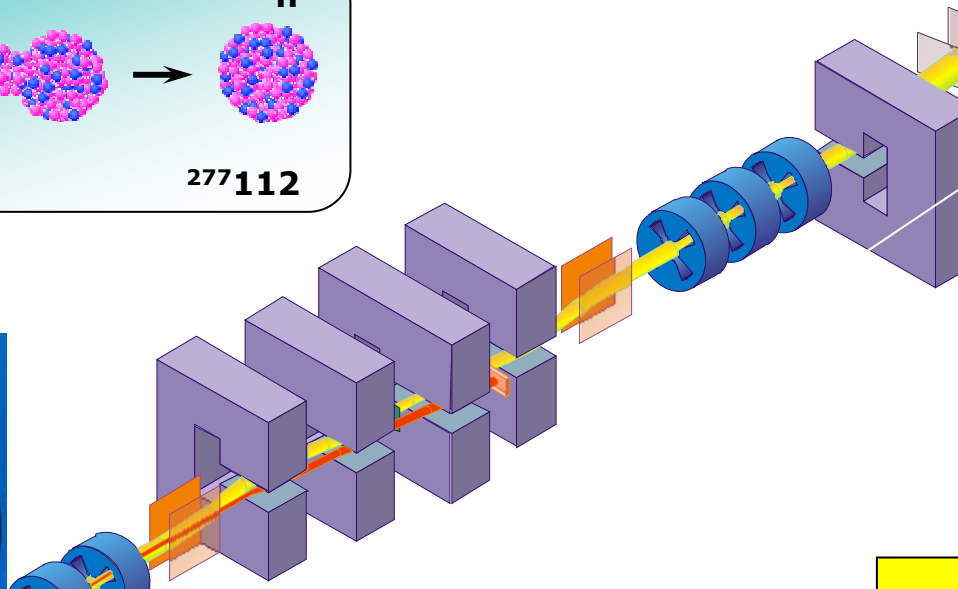
The **survival probability** is determined by the neutron evaporation-to-prompt-fission competition

$$w_x(E^*, \ell) = \prod_{i=1}^x \frac{\Gamma_n(E^*, \ell)}{\Gamma_n(E^*, \ell) + \Gamma_f(E^*, \ell)} \approx \left(\frac{\Gamma_n}{\Gamma_f} \right)^x$$

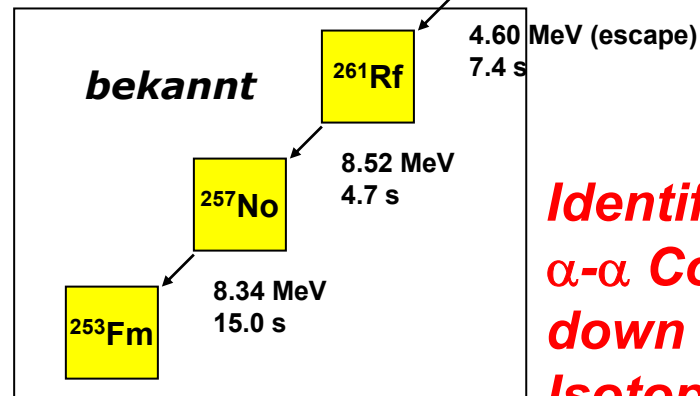
Fusion and Identification of Super-heavy Elements at SHIP



Beam Target Wheel



^{265}Sg
9.23 MeV
19.7 s

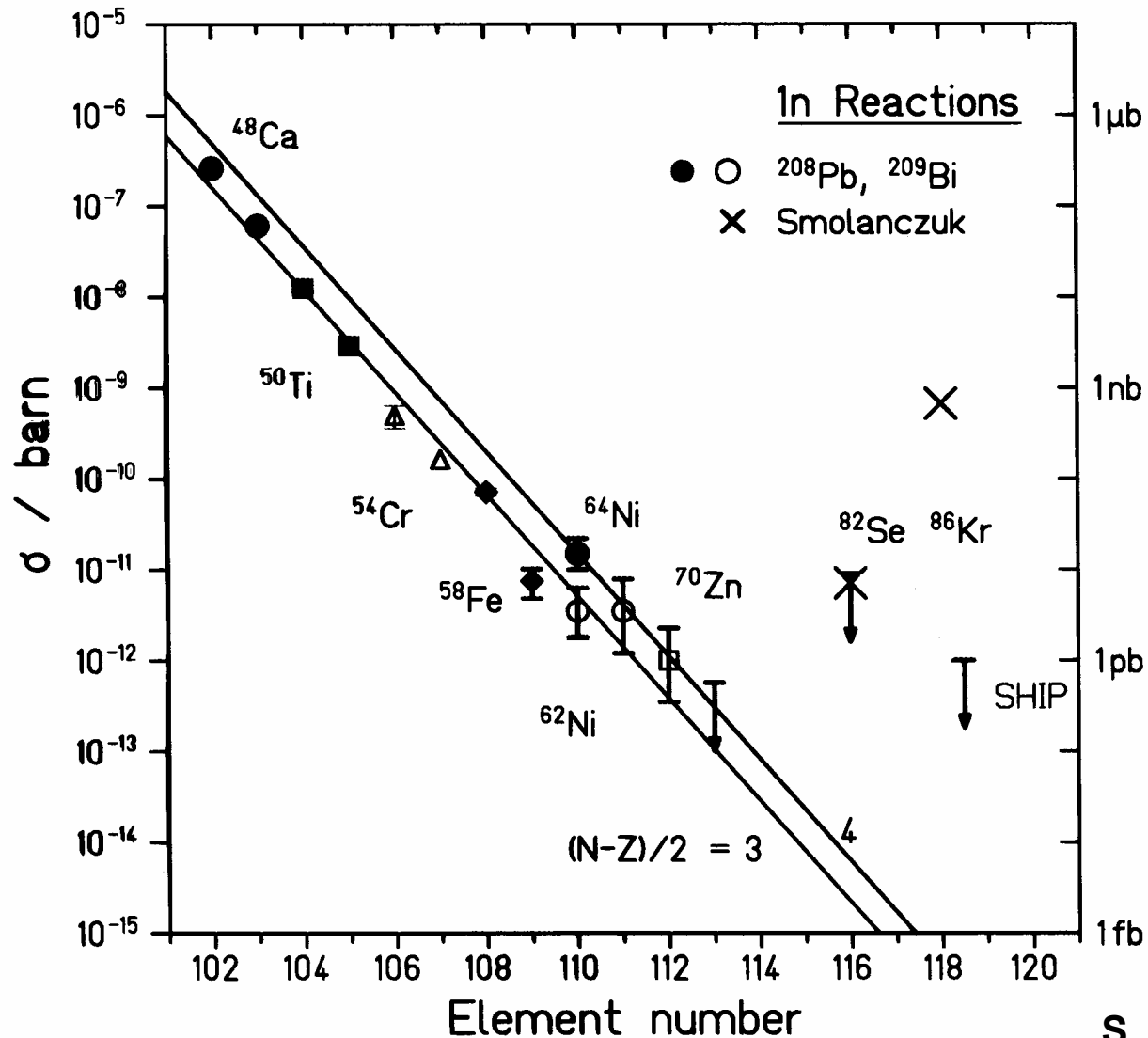


Identification via α - α Correlations down to known Isotopes

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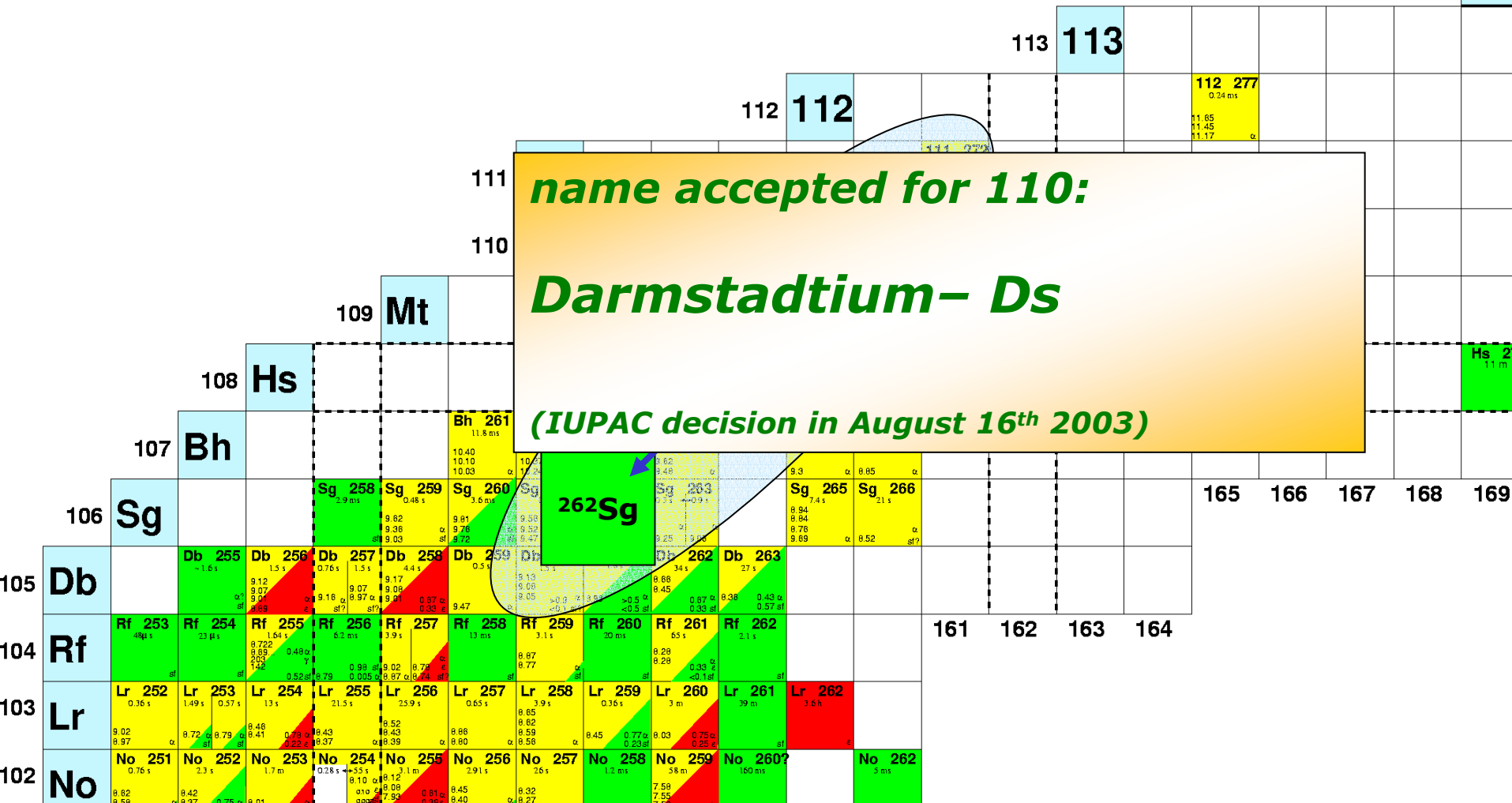
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Measured Cross Sections for the Heaviest Elements



S. Hofmann et al.

The even-even isotope $^{270}_{110}$ and its decay products $^{266}_{112}\text{Hs}$ and $^{262}_{114}\text{Sg}$



Principle of a Gas-filled Separator

Magnetic Rigidity:

$$B\rho = \frac{mv}{q} \quad (1)$$

Mean Bending Radius:

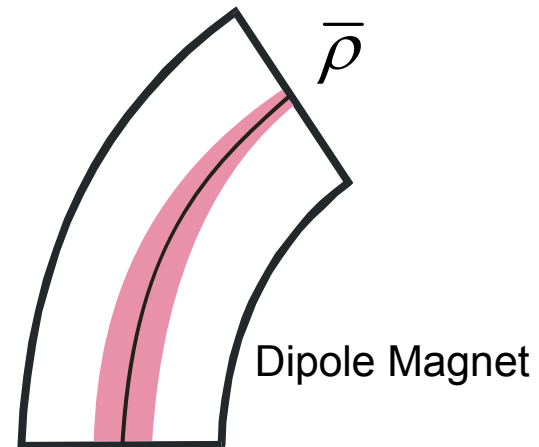
$$\bar{\rho} = \frac{mv_0}{B} Z_1^{1/3} \quad (3)$$

Mean Charge State:

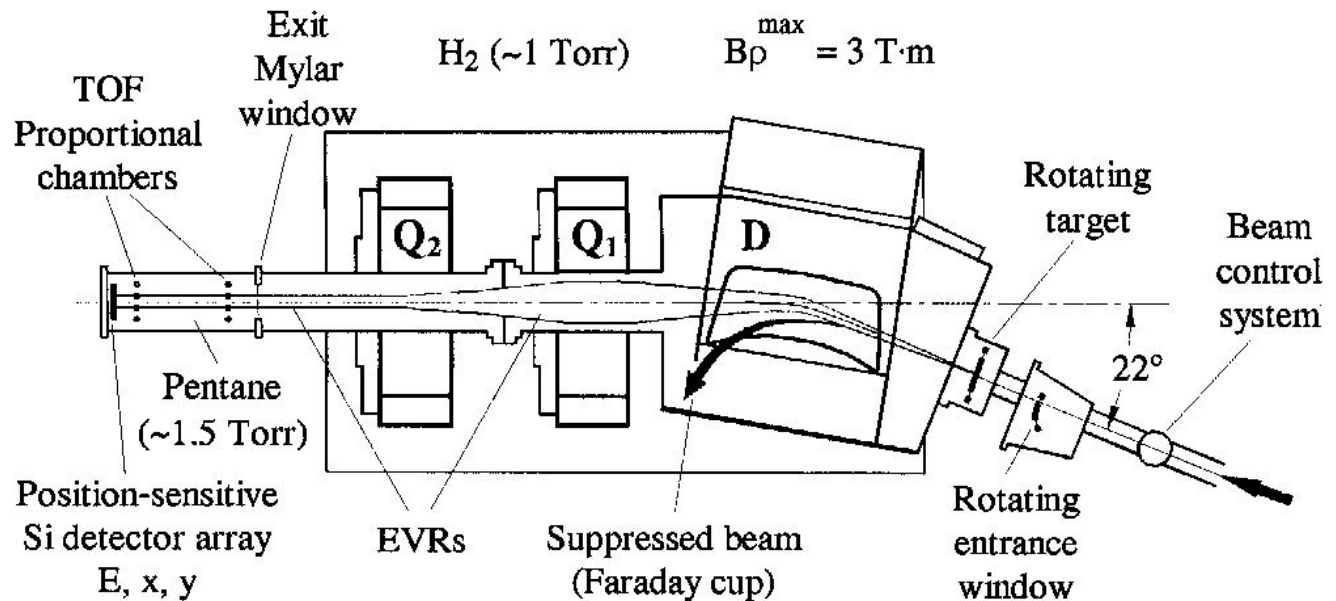
Populated during atomic collisions
in gases

(Bohr Formula)

$$\bar{q} = \frac{Z^{1/3} v}{v_0} \quad (2)$$

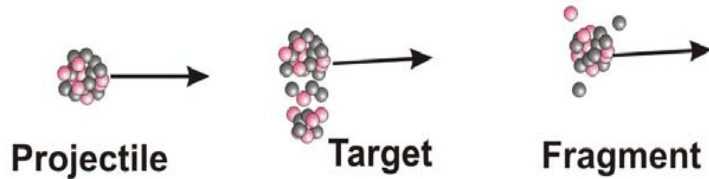


Gassfilled Separator GFRS at JINR- FLNR in Dubna, Russia



Production of Exotic Nuclei at relativistic Energies

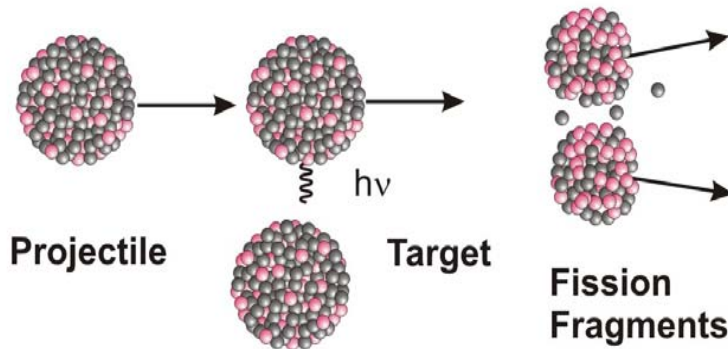
Projectile Fragmentation



Nucleon-nucleon collisions, abrasion, ablation

$$\vec{V}_f \approx \vec{V}_p$$

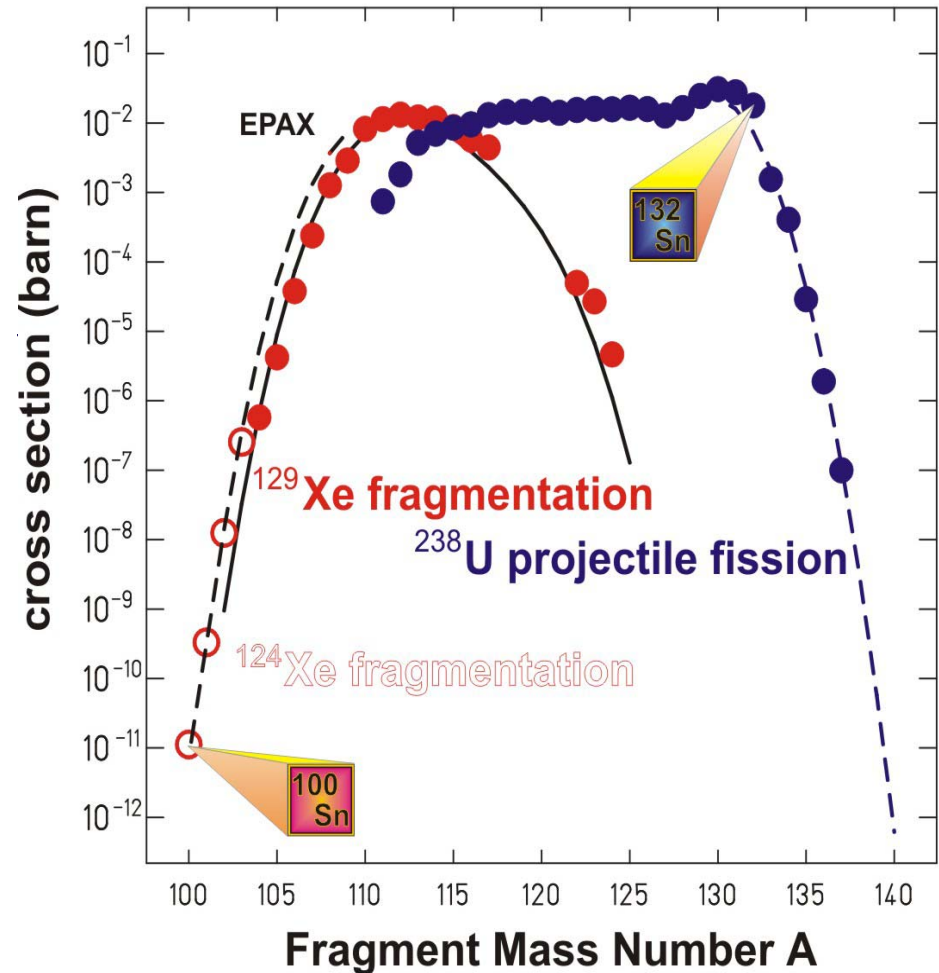
Projectile Fission



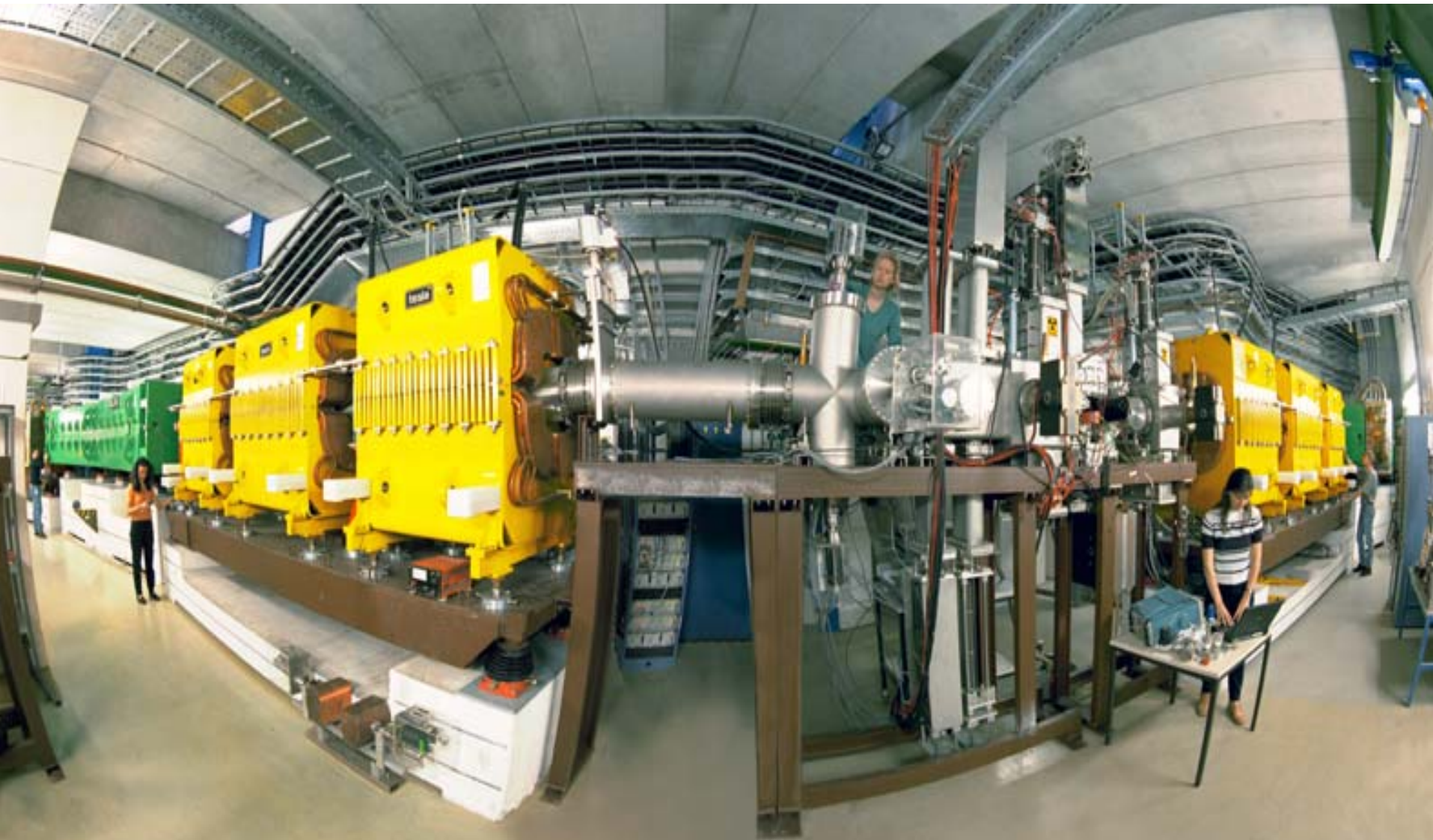
Electromagnetic excitation, fission in flight

$$\vec{V}_f \approx \vec{V}_p + \vec{V}_{fission}$$

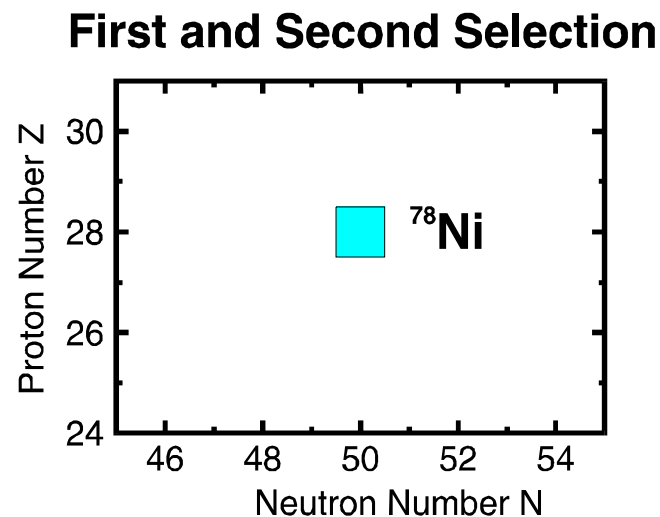
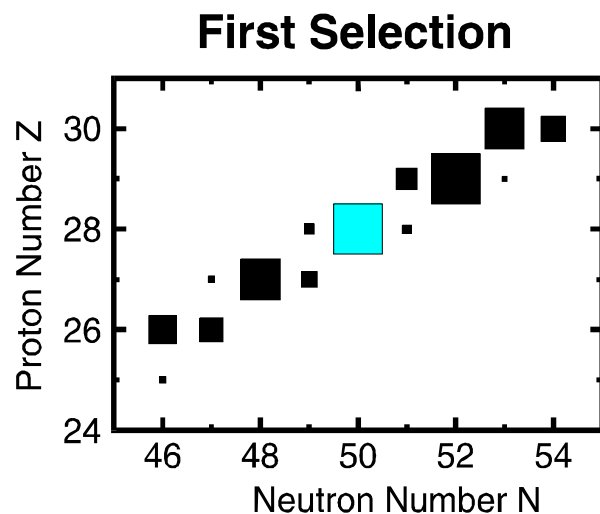
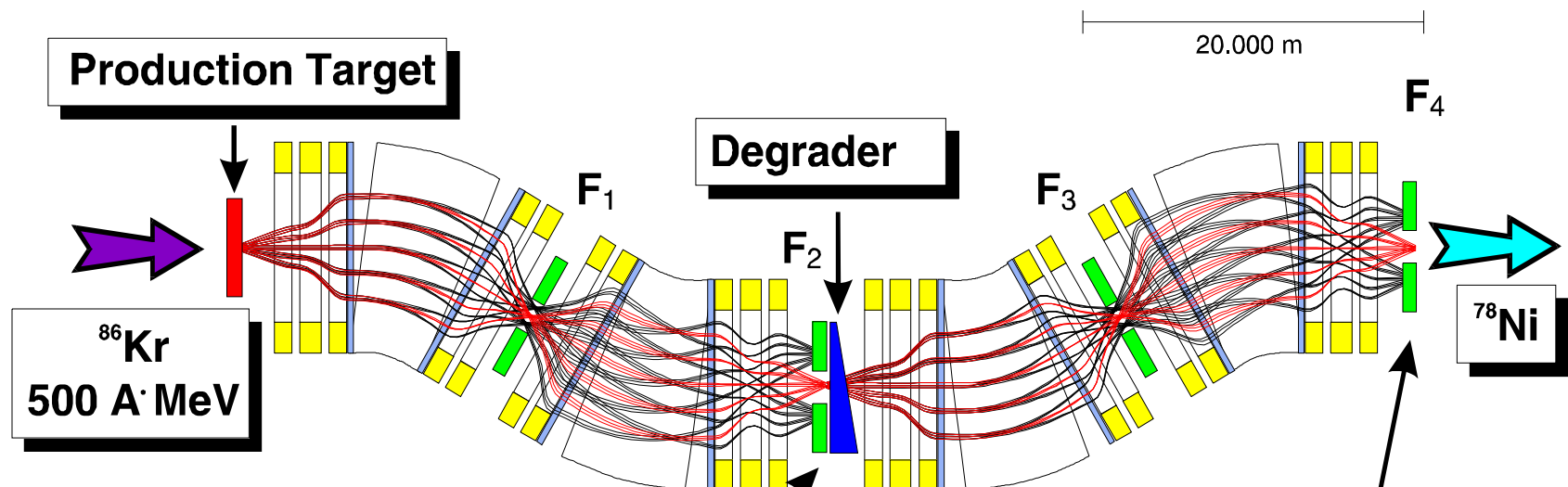
Sn isotopes from projectile fragmentation and projectile fission



The Fragment Separator FRS

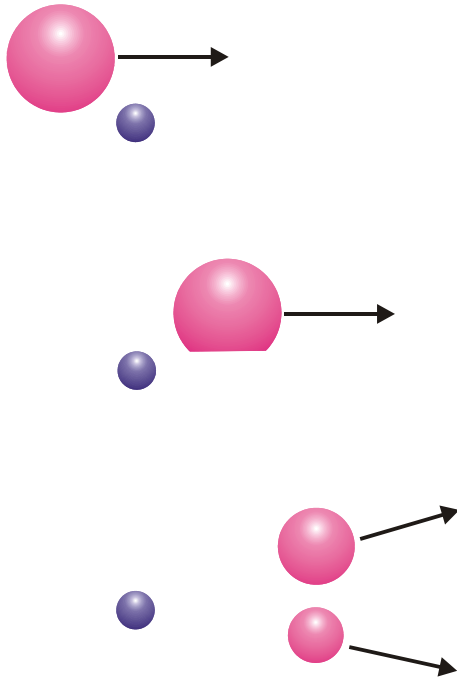


$B\rho - \Delta E - B\rho$ Separation Method

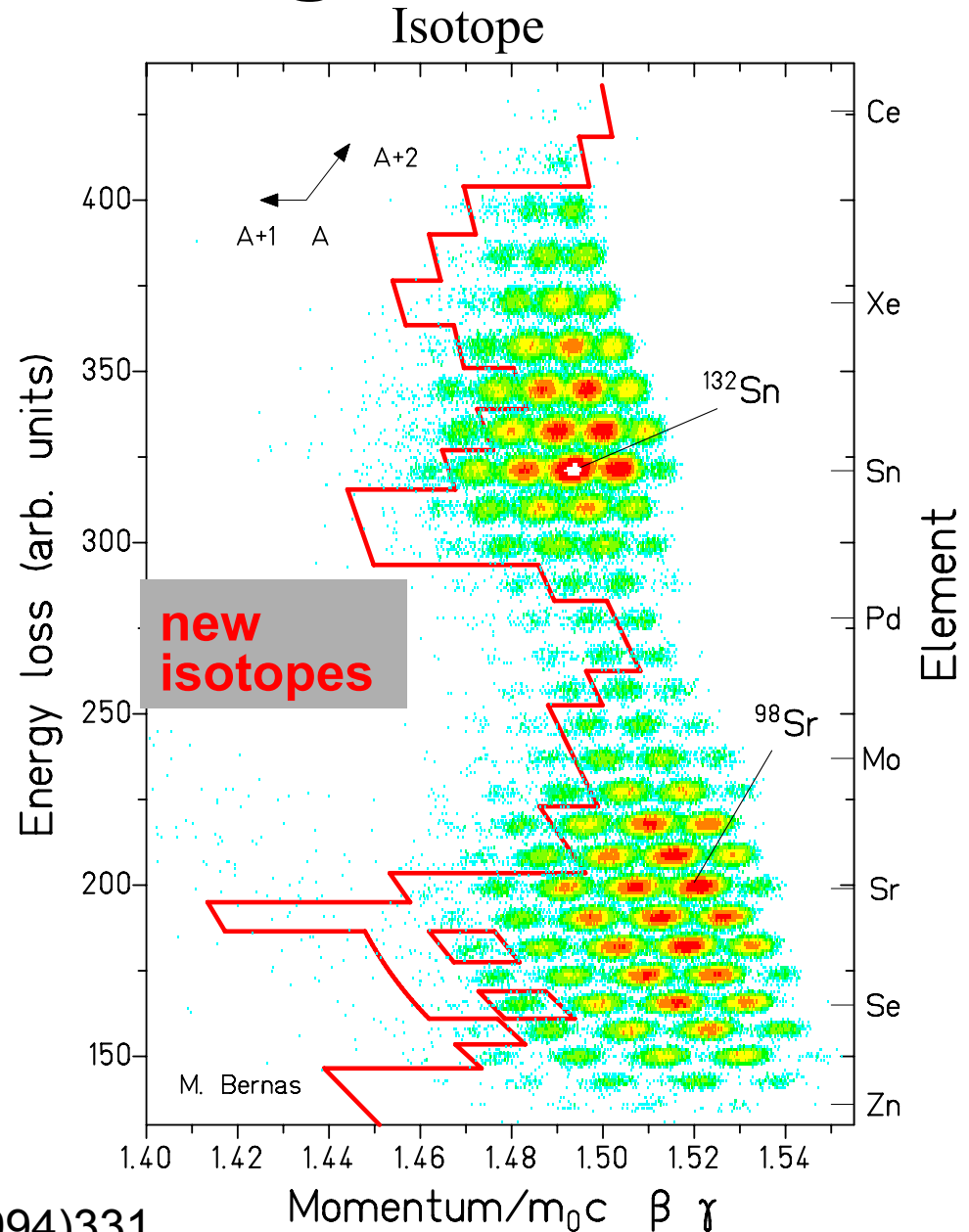


^{238}U Fission In-flight

^{238}U at 1 A GeV on Be

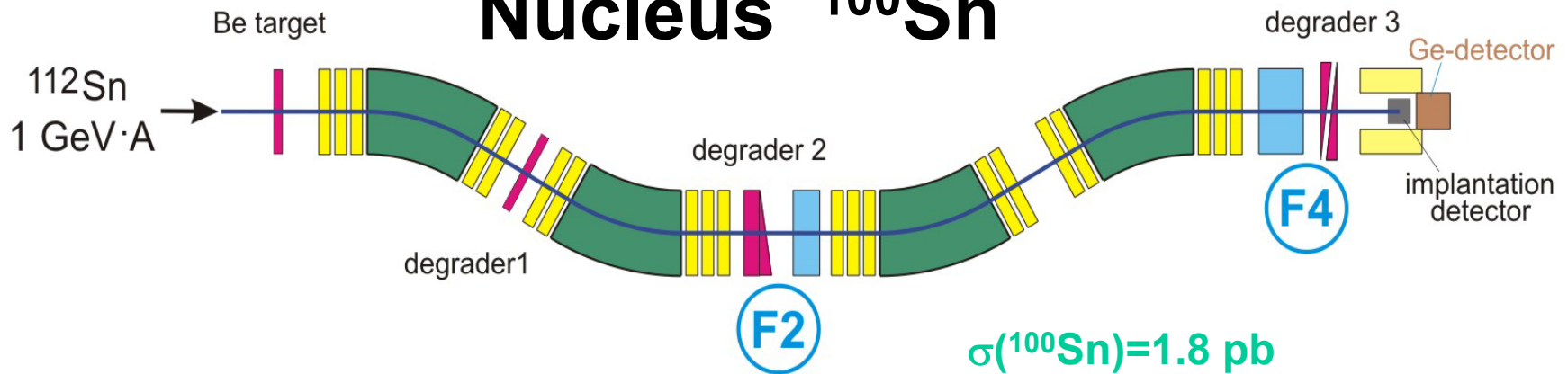


- Access to n-rich nuclei
- high energy



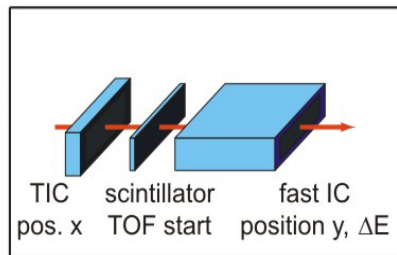
M. Bernas et al. Phys. Lett. B331(1994)331

Identification of the Doubly Magic Nucleus ^{100}Sn

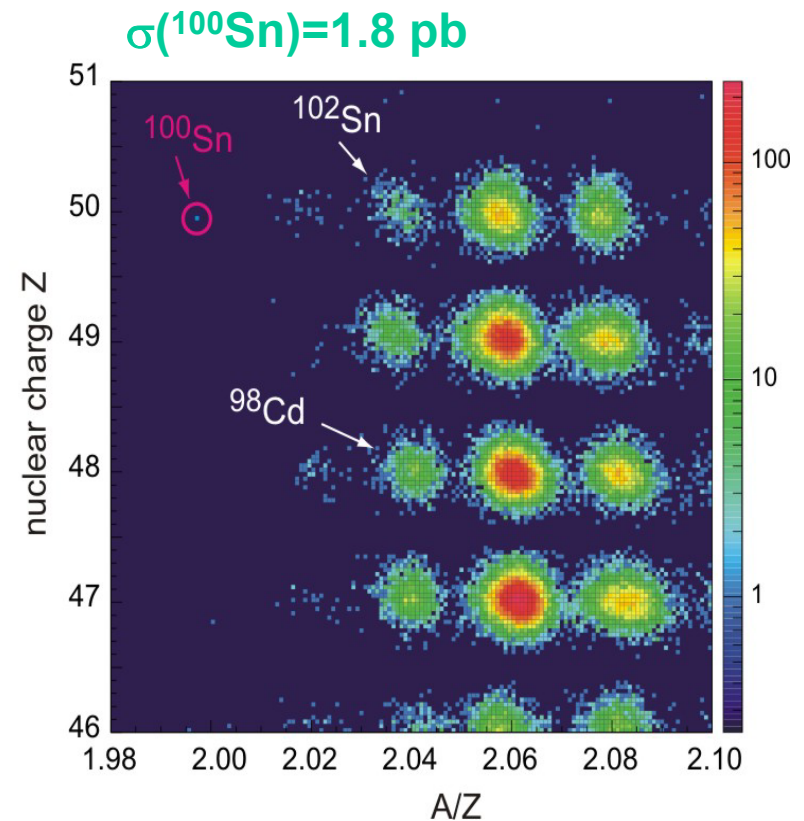
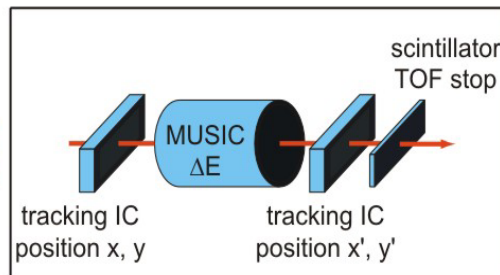


Detectors for Particle ID

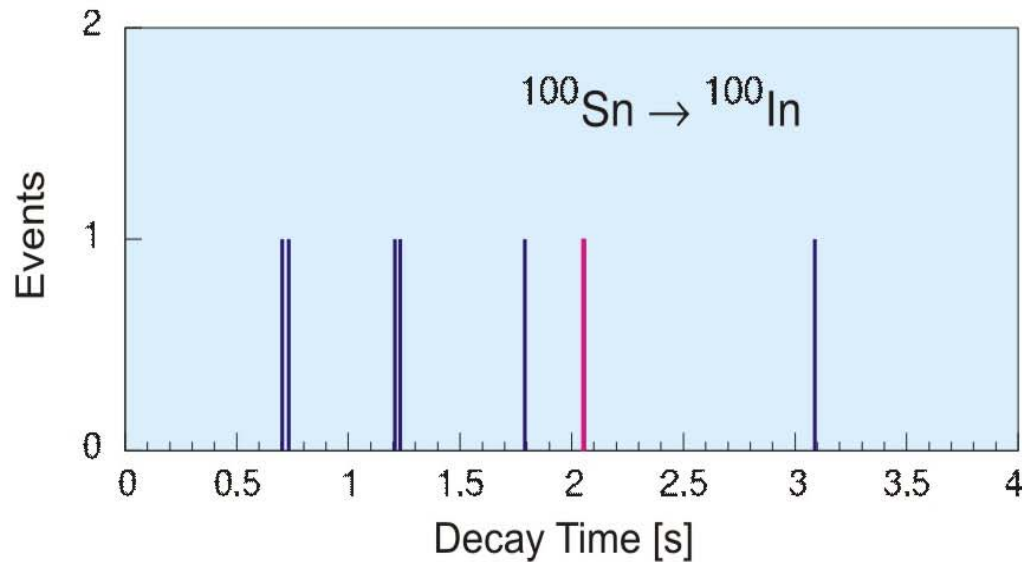
F2



F4



Beta Decay of ^{100}Sn



Results from 7 decays of ^{100}Sn
(6 atoms experiment '94,
1 atom experiment '98)

Half-life

$$T_{1/2} = 1.00^{+0.52}_{-0.26} \text{ s}$$

Beta-Endpoint-Energy

$$E_{\beta_0} = 3.8^{+0.7}_{-0.3} \text{ MeV}$$

