

ION TRAPPING FOR CRES EVENTS: A **GOLIATH** UPGRADE TO THE HE6-CRES EXPERIMENT

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⁶He-CRES



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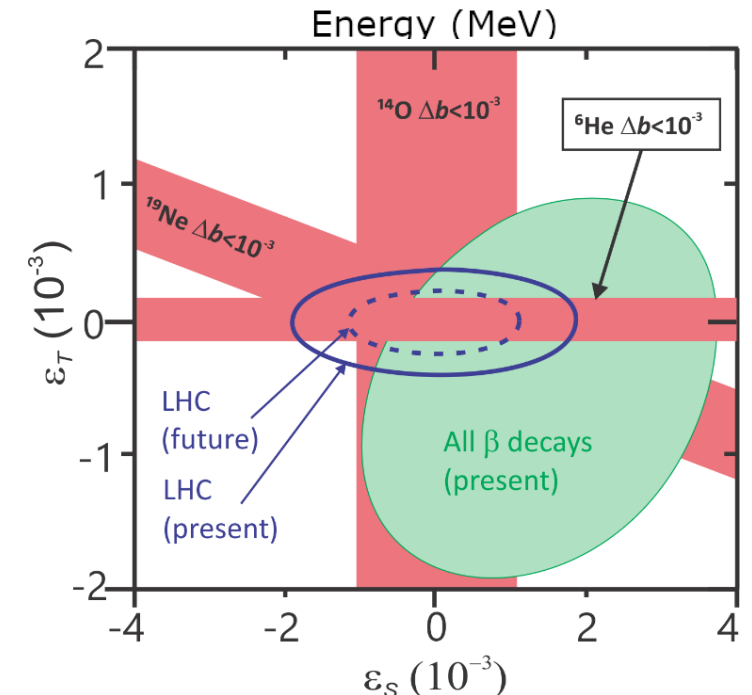
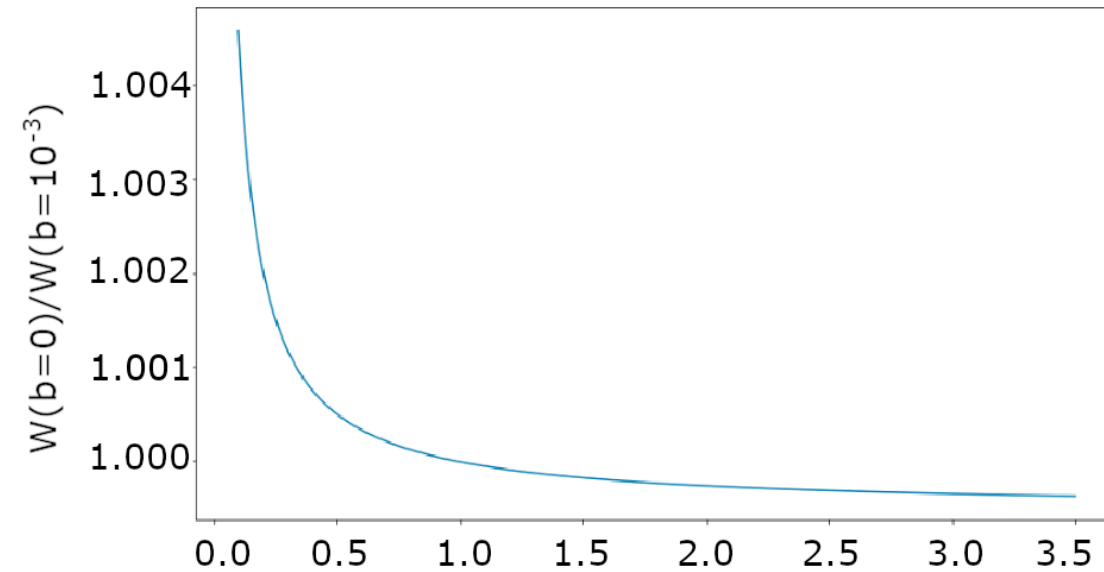
- Probe chirality-flipping couplings through the Fierz interference term

$$b \approx \pm \frac{2\sqrt{1 - \alpha^2 Z^2}}{1 + |\tilde{\rho}|^2} \text{Re} \left(\frac{g_S \epsilon_S}{g_V(1 + \epsilon_L + \epsilon_R)} - 4|\tilde{\rho}|^2 \frac{g_T \epsilon_T}{g_A(1 + \epsilon_L - \epsilon_R)} \right)$$

- Where we can find b in the beta decay equation as the only effect in the beta spectrum shape

$$W(E_e)dE_e = \frac{F(\pm Z, E_e)}{2\pi^3} p_e E_e (E_0 - E_e)^2 dE_e \xi \left(1 + b \frac{m_e}{E_e} \right)$$

Ratio between SM and nonzero b_{Fierz}

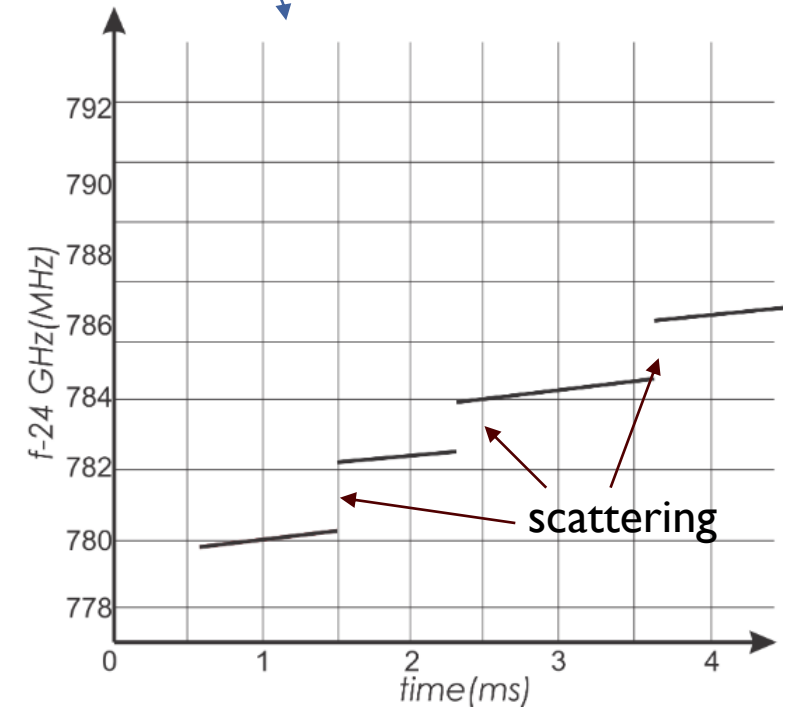
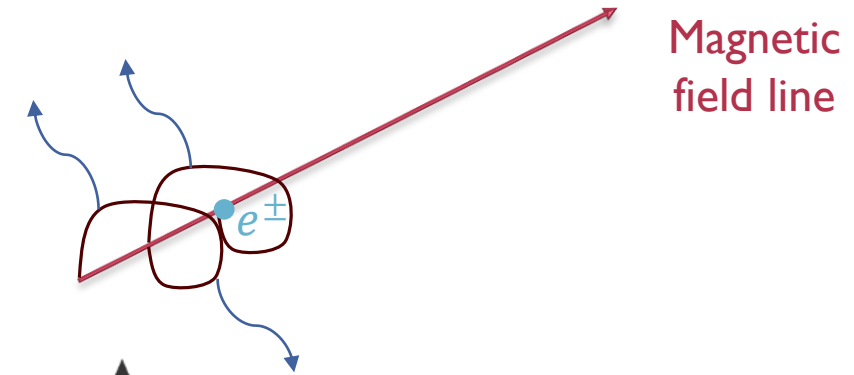


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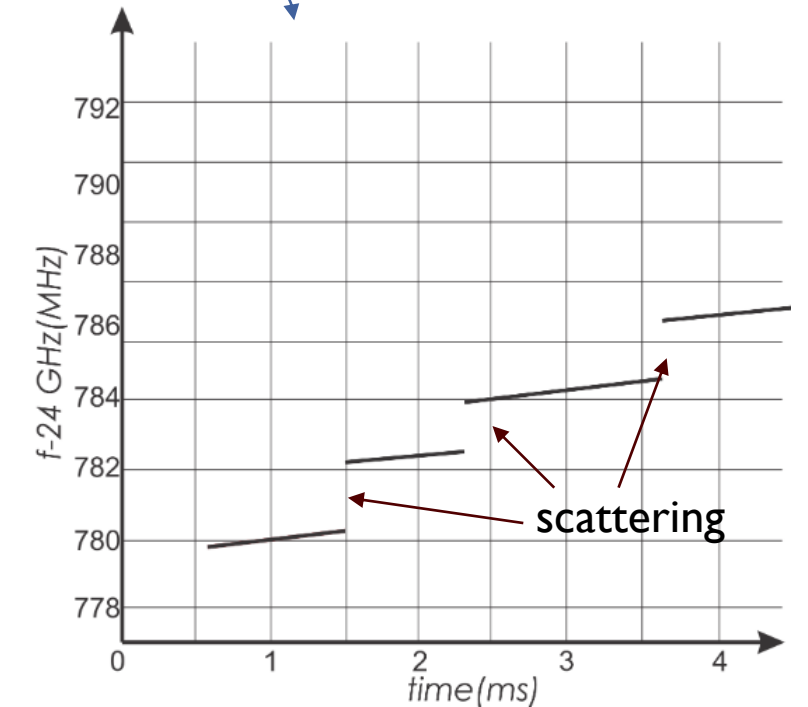
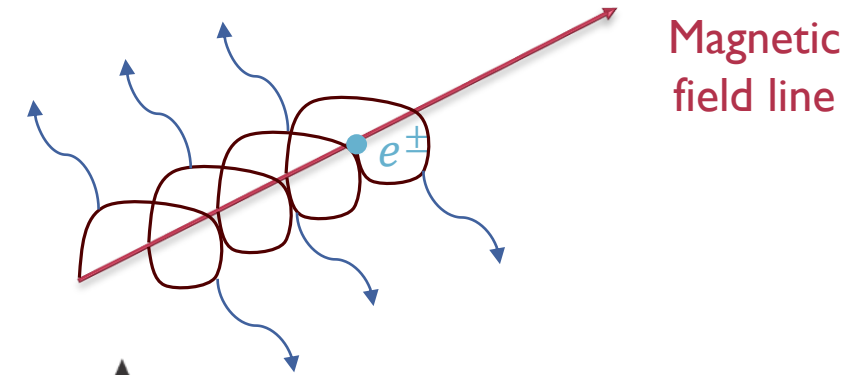


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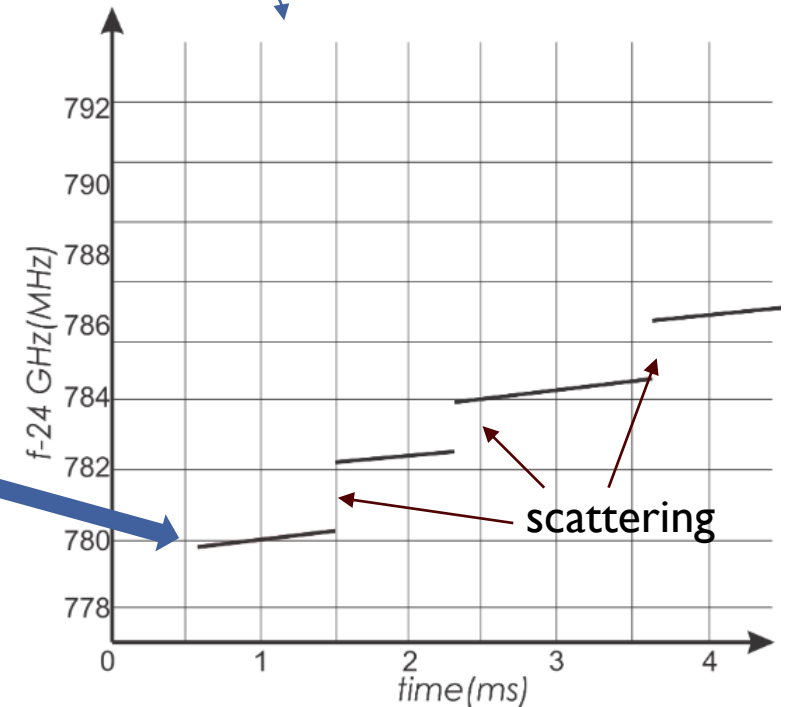
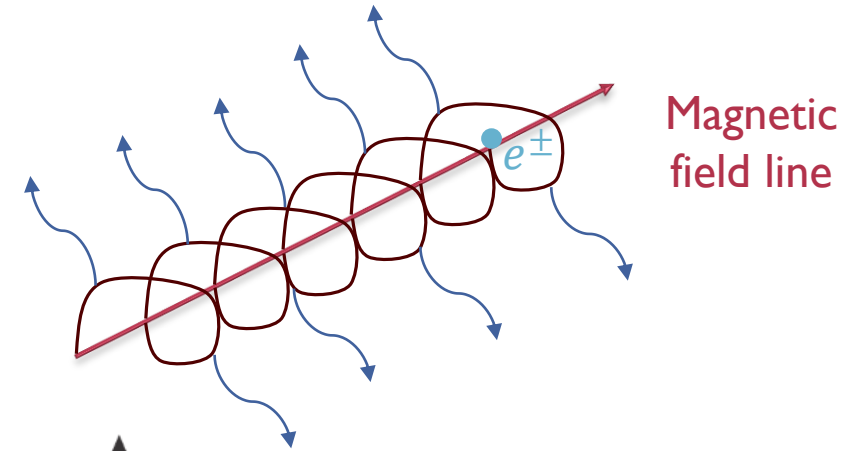
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- Retracing to the starting point of the track we can narrow our energy resolution to the eV scale!

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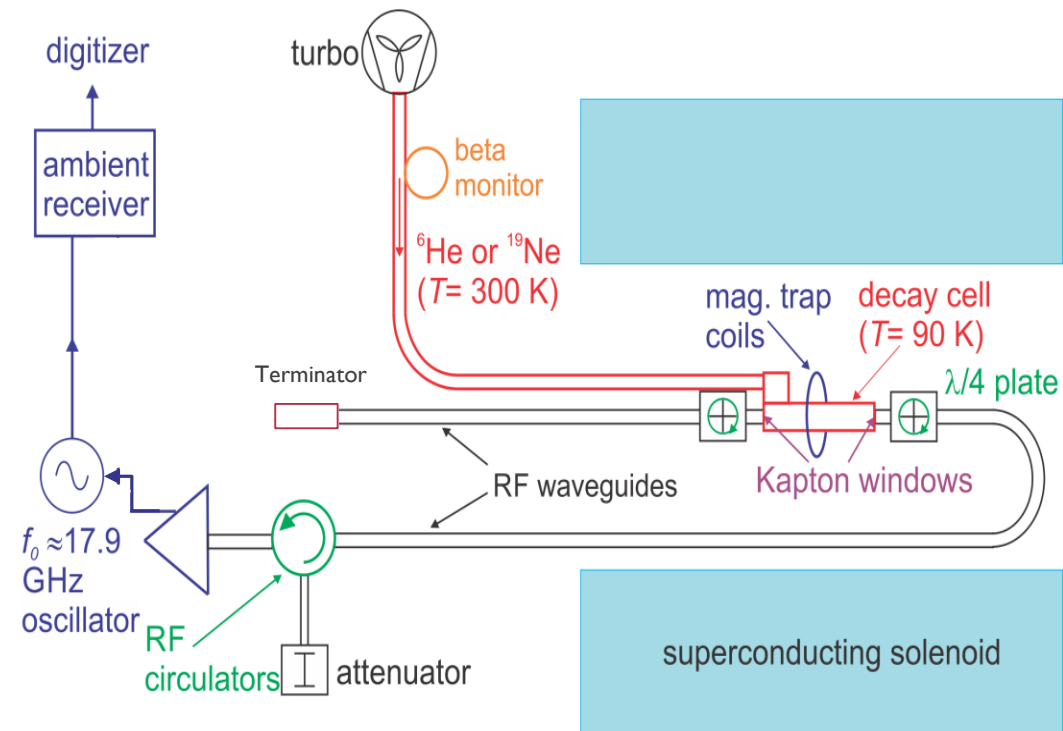


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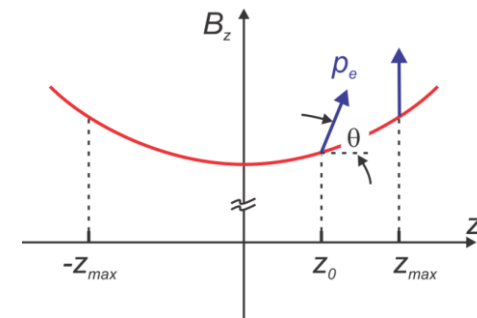
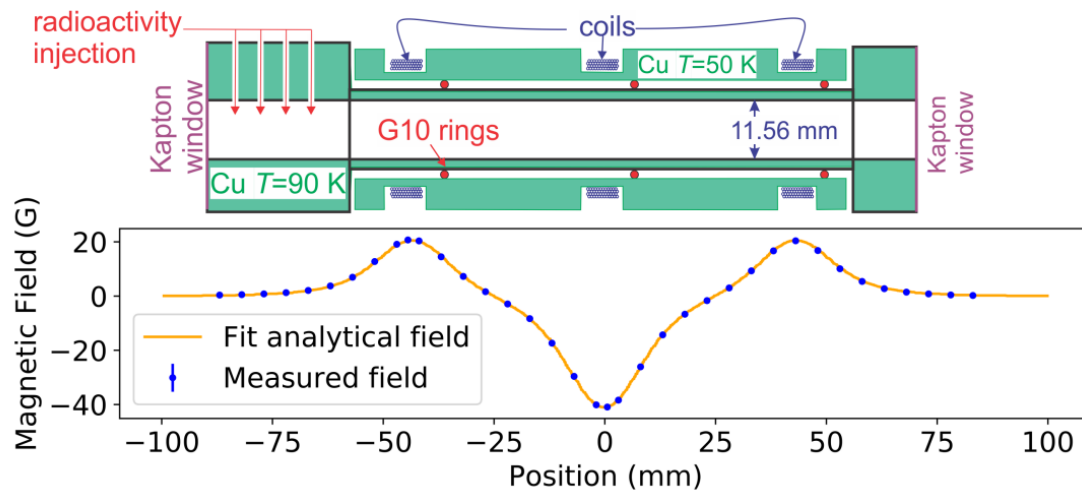
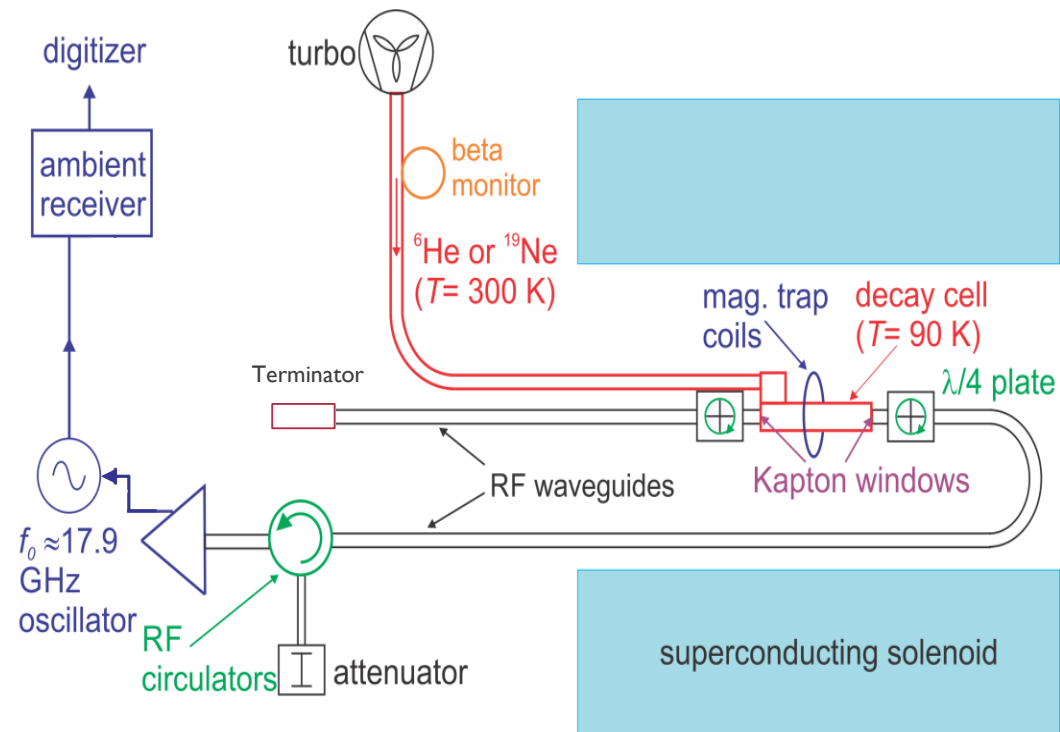


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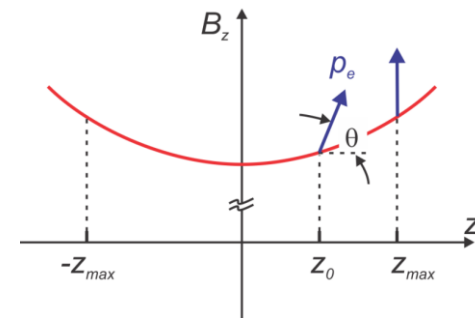
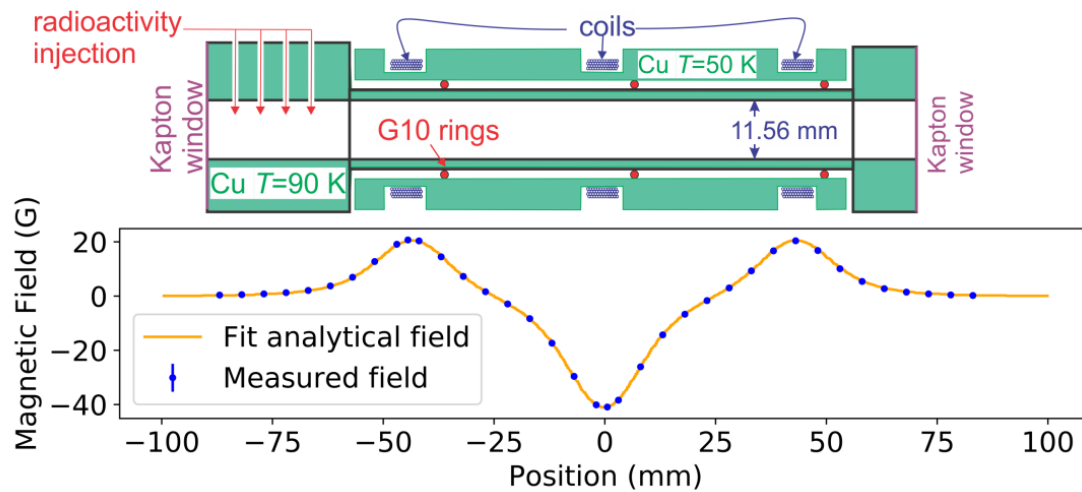
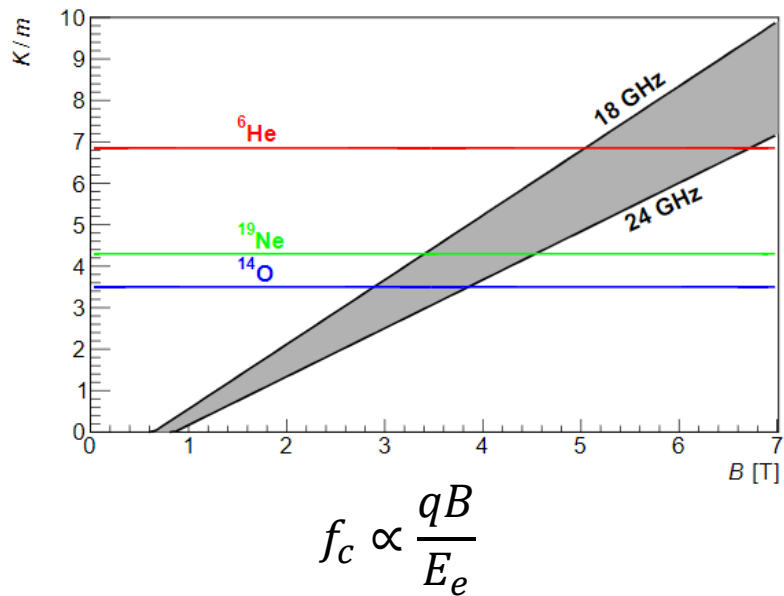
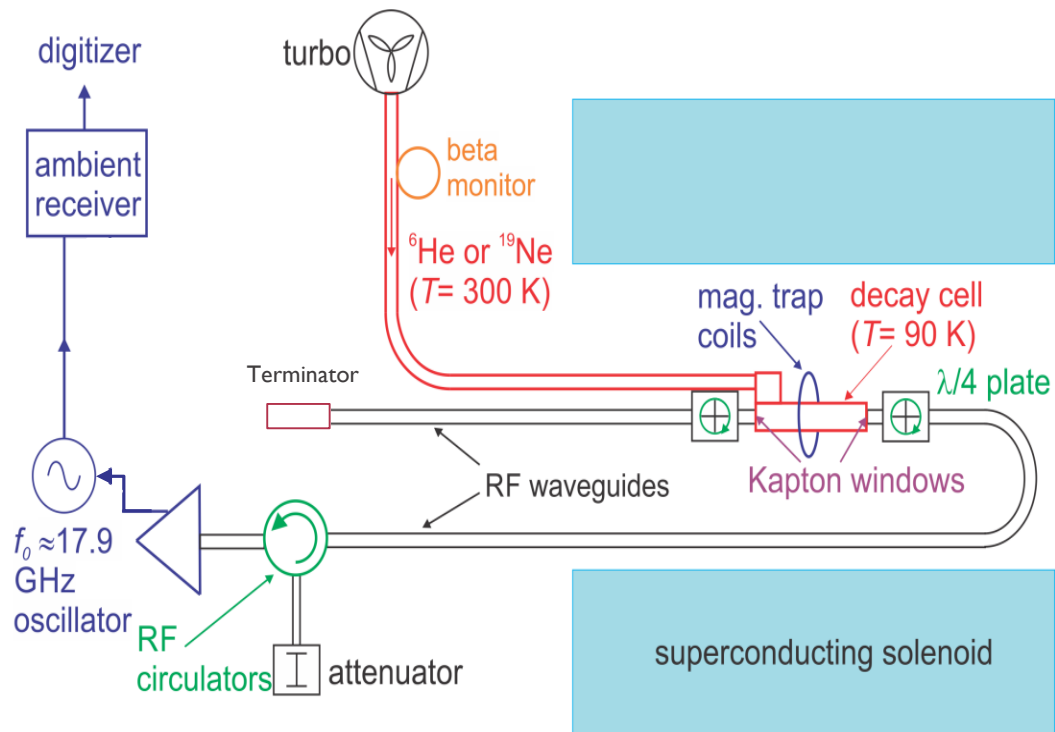
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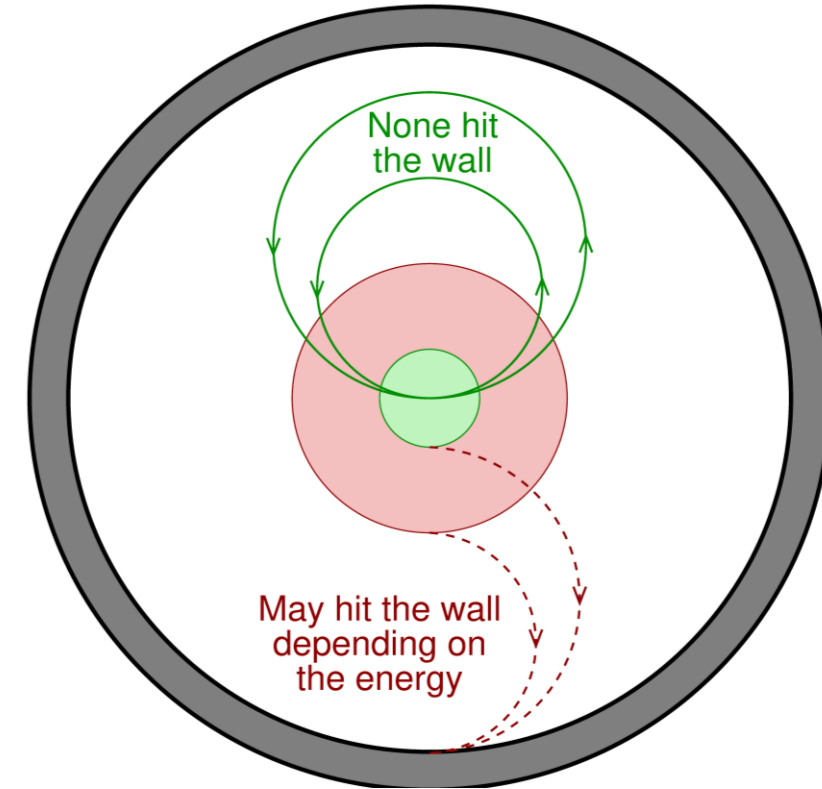
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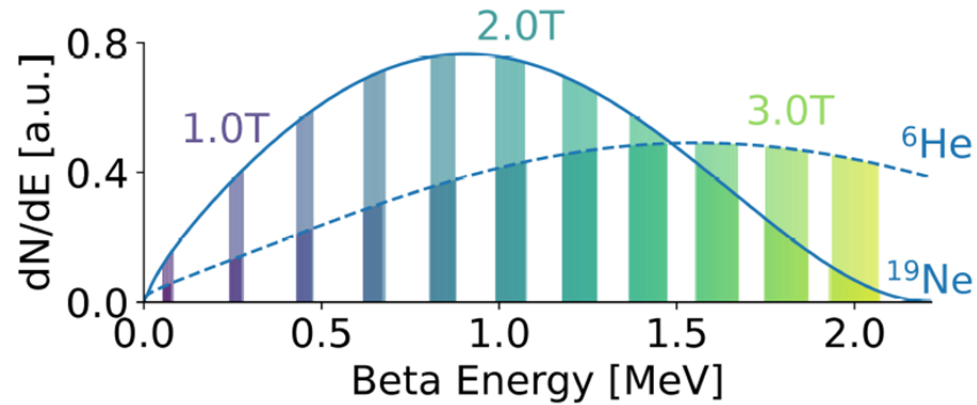
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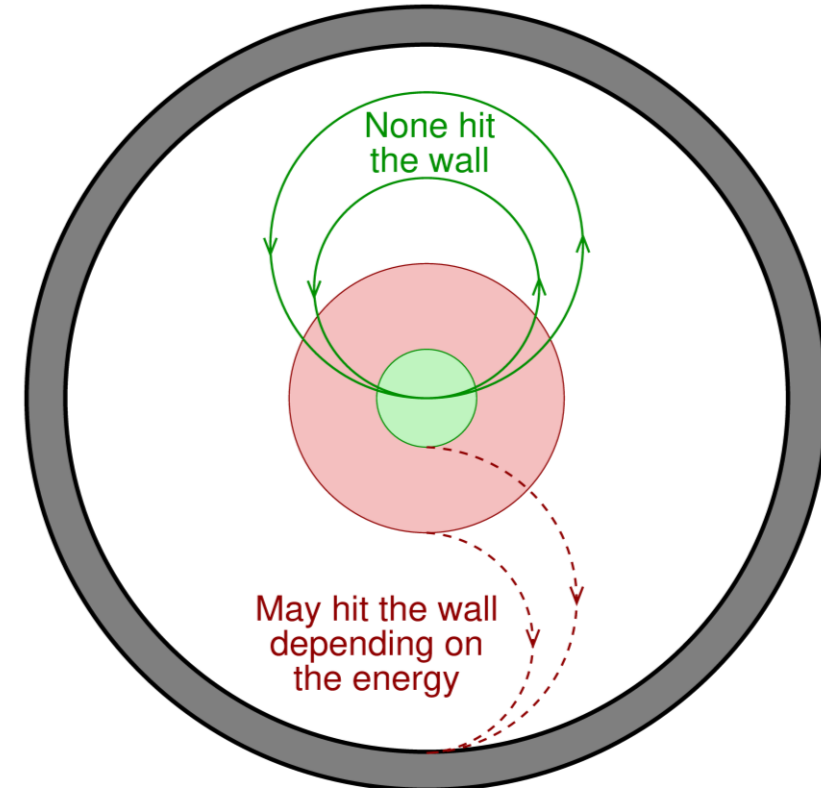


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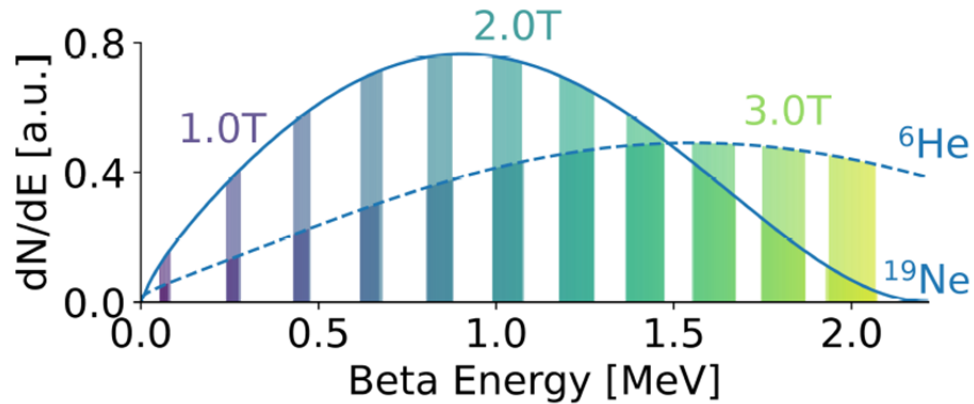


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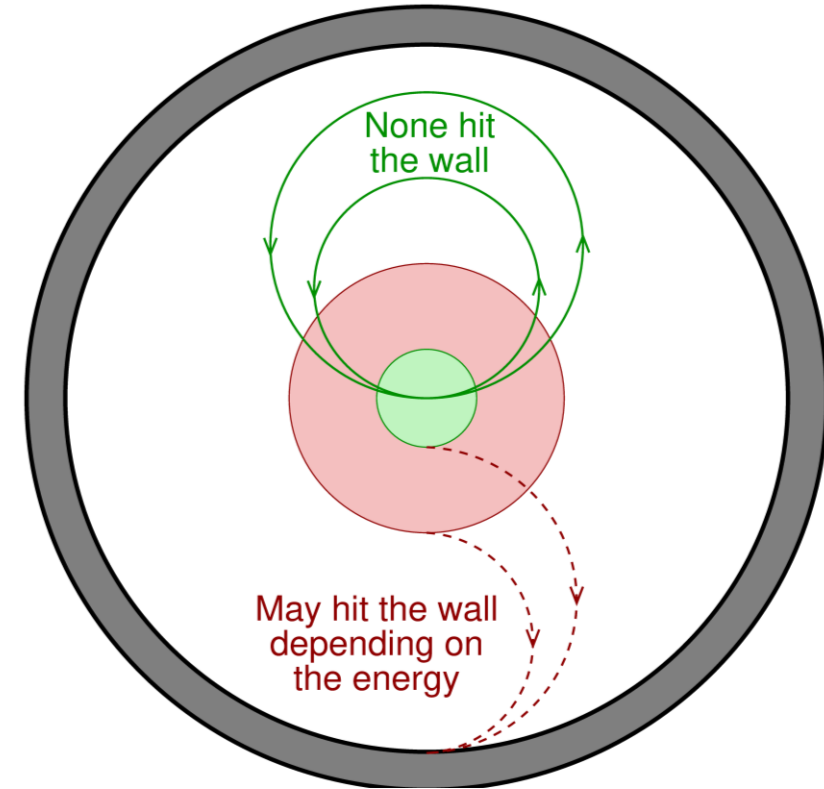


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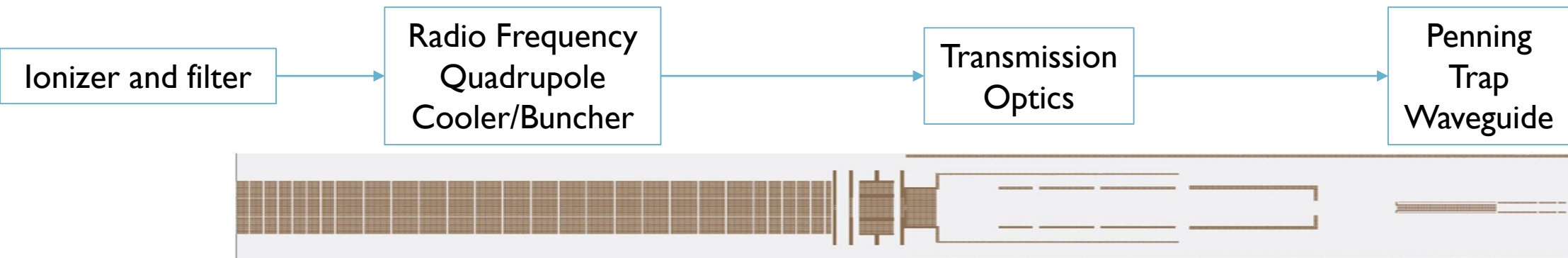
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- Radial confinement of ions with ion trap

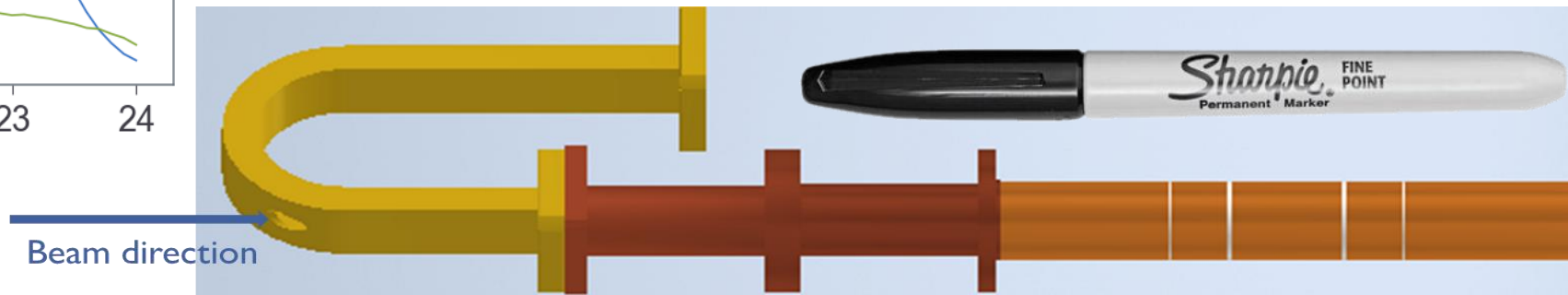
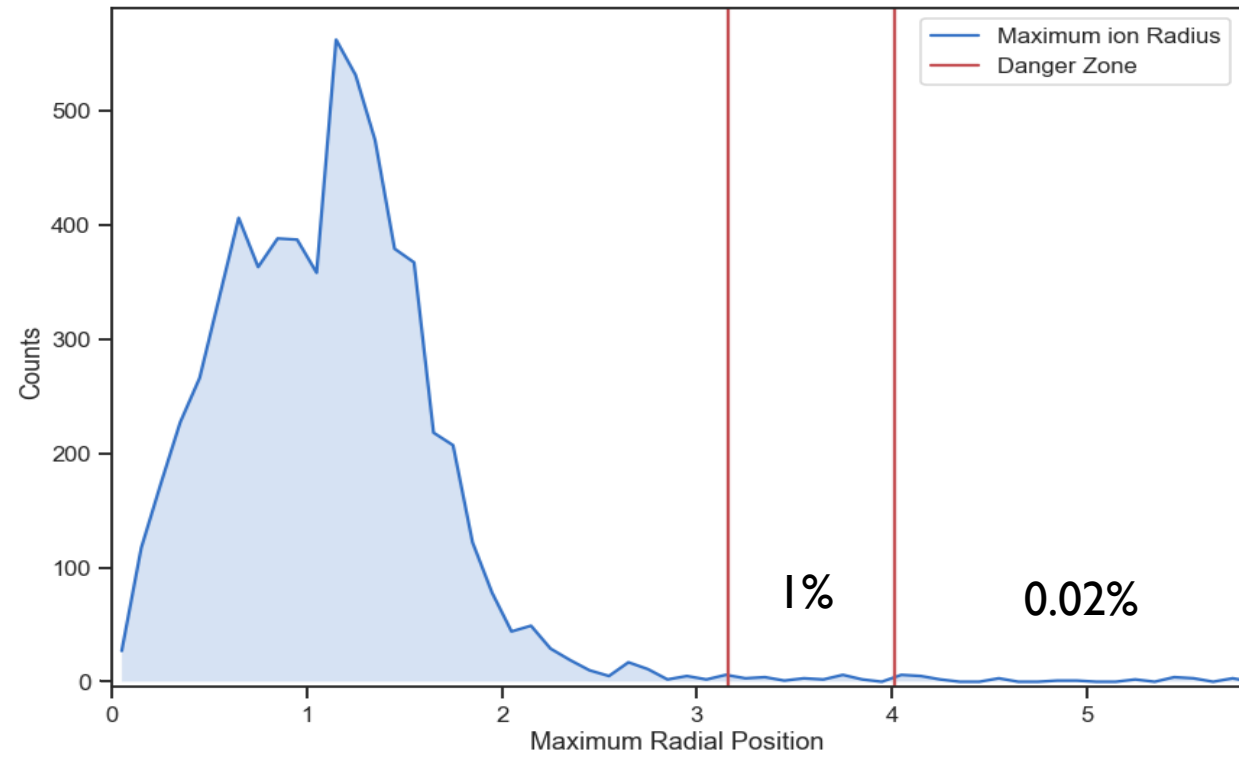
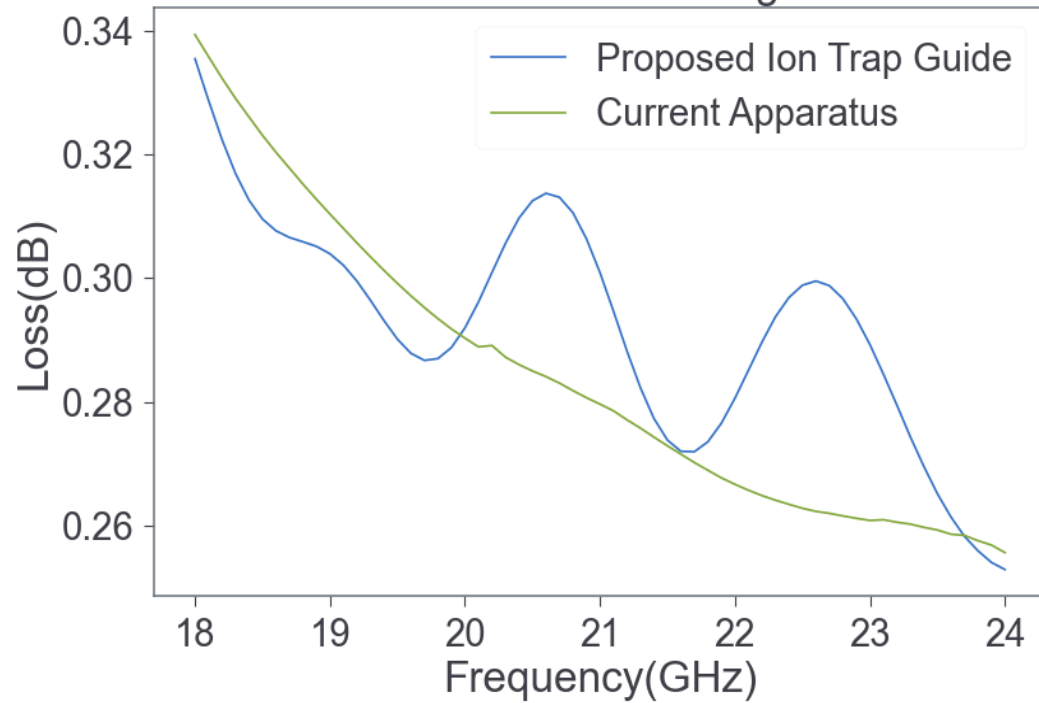


PENNING TRAP WAVEGUIDE

1. Can we constrain the particles and reduce wall effects?
2. Can it propagate our frequencies without major losses?

➤ Power ~15 fW

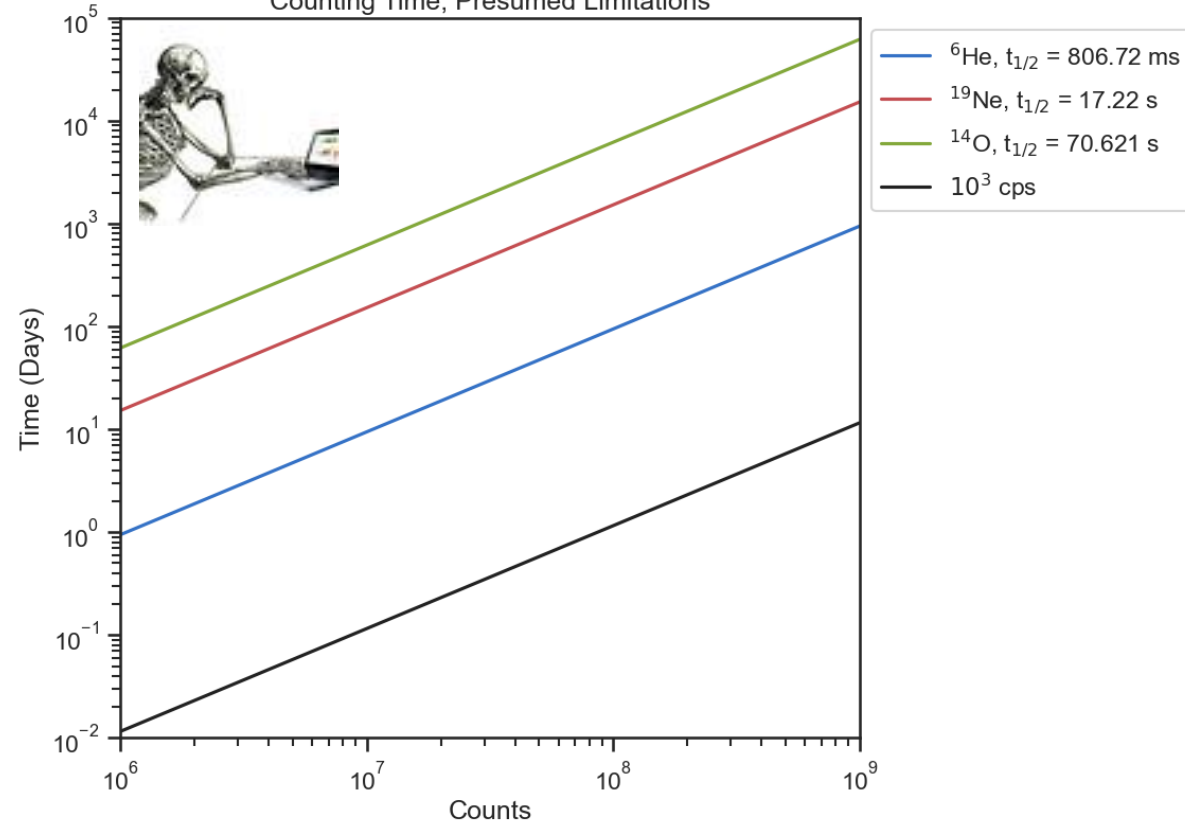
Total Loss Over Waveguide



COUNT RATE

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Counting Time, Presumed Limitations

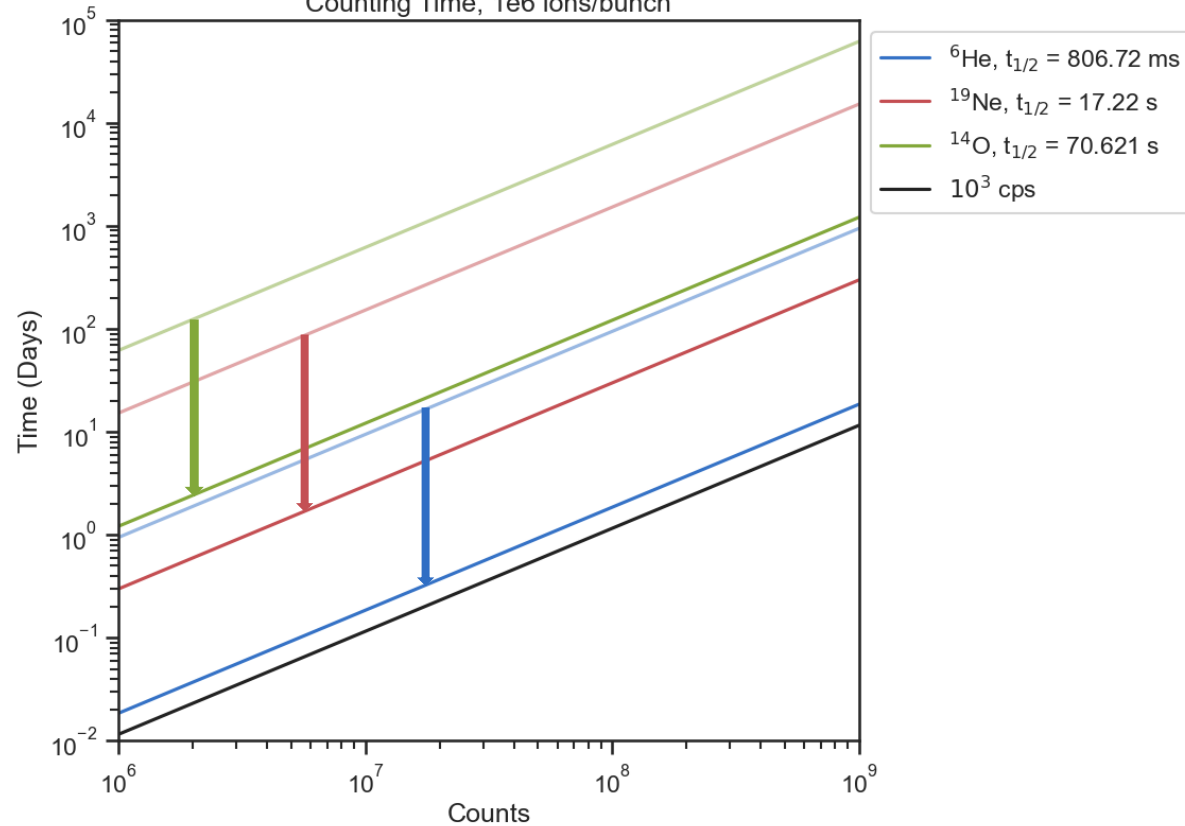


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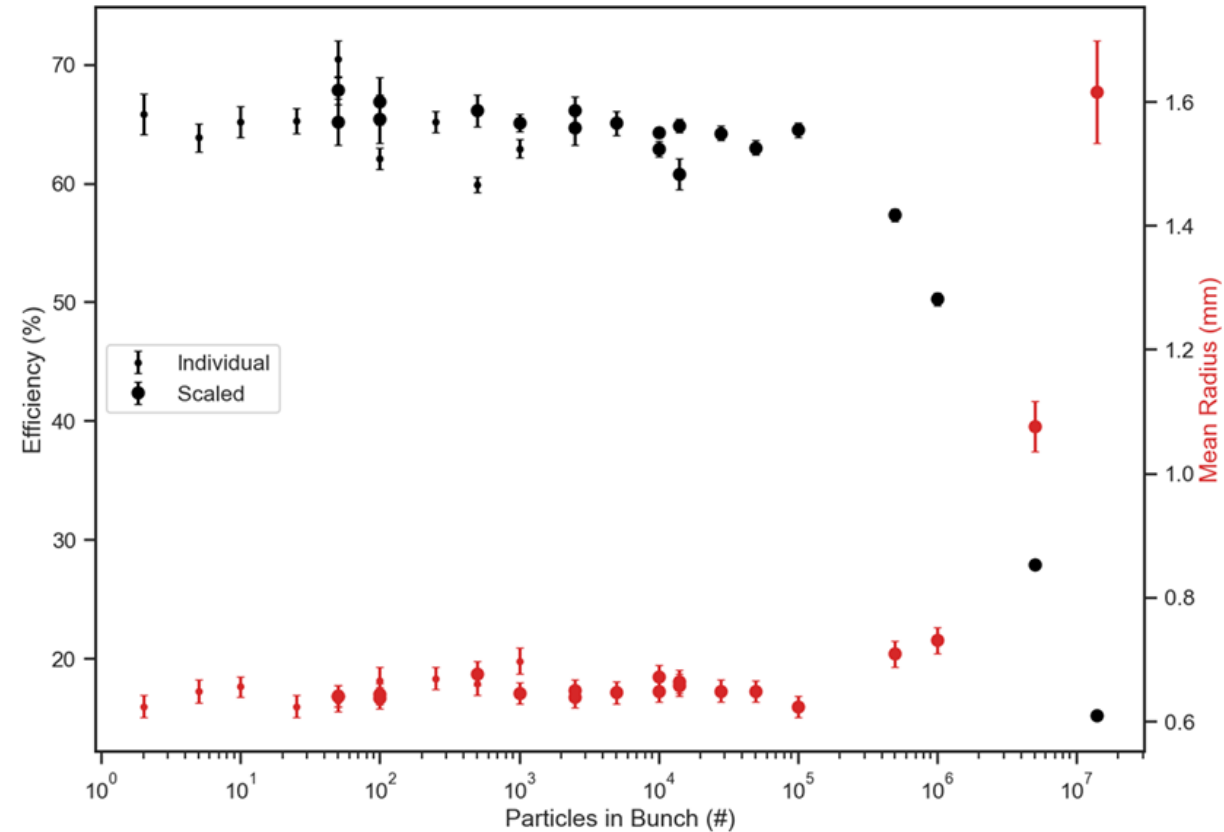
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Counting Time, 1e6 ions/bunch



➤ Bunches as large as 10^6 particles possible!

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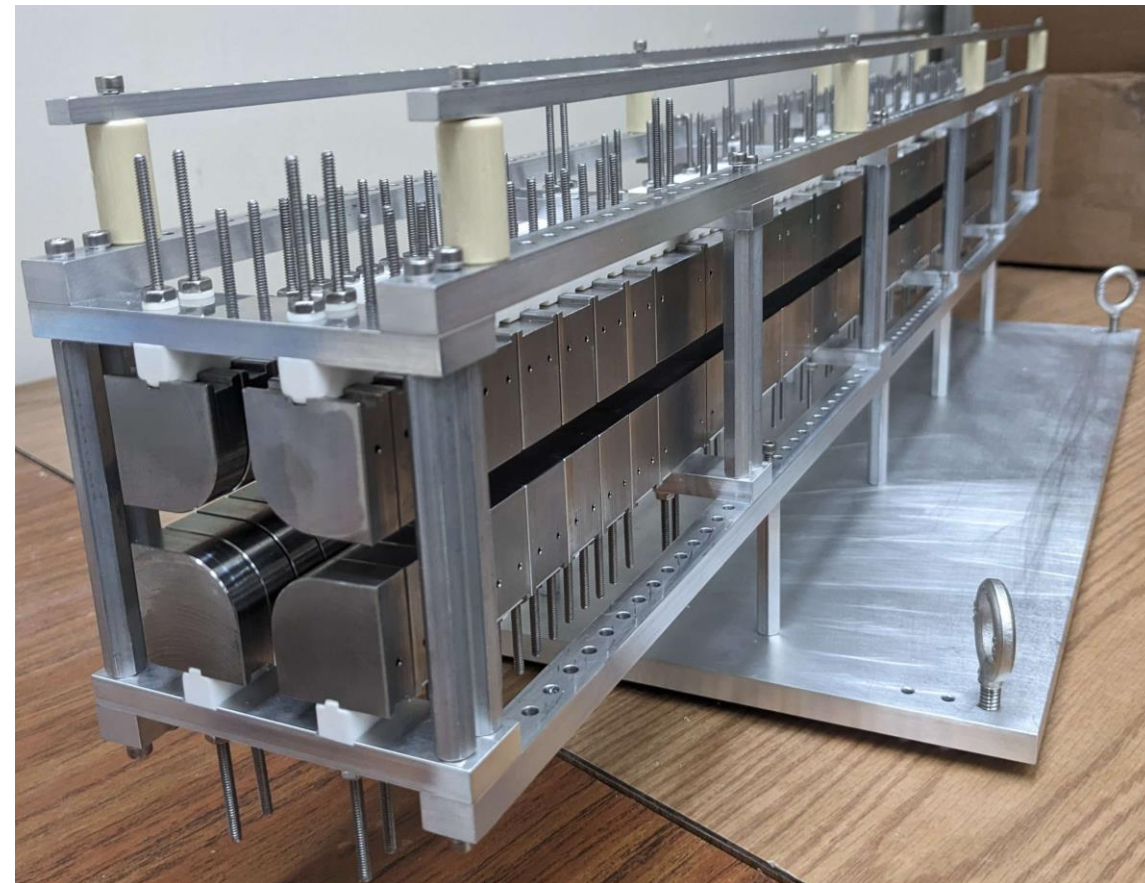
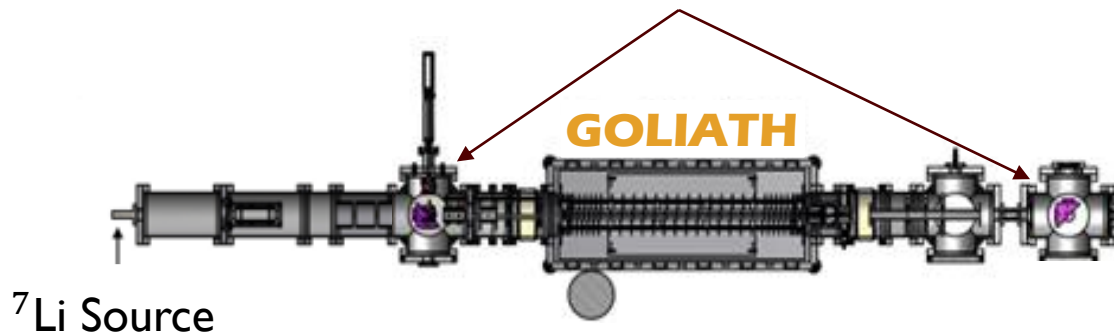


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Gas Operated Large Ion-bunch Atomic Trap for He6-CRES

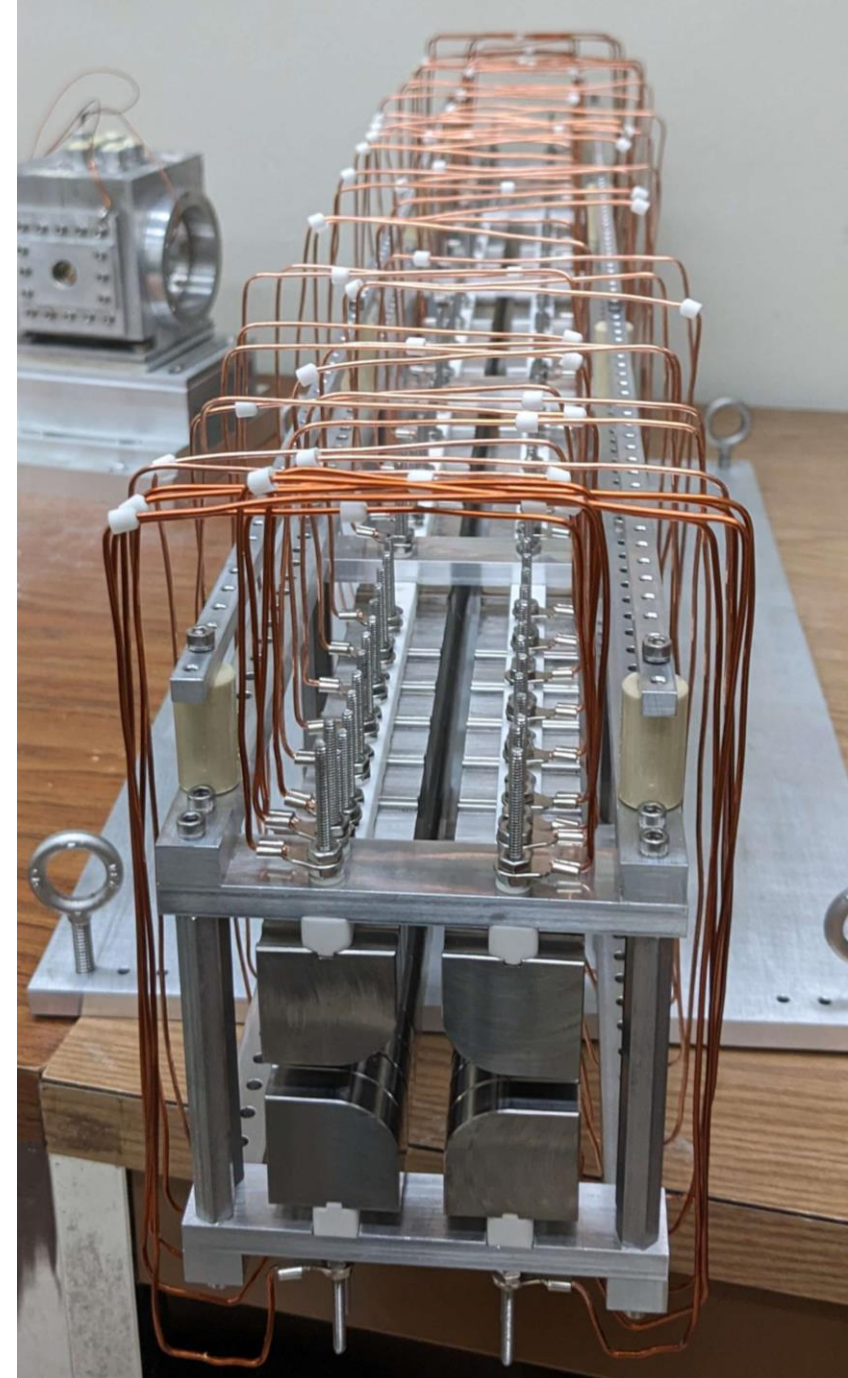
- To utilize H₂ buffer gas to cool He beam
- Simulated Resulting Bunch Characteristics
 - Time spread: $\Delta t \sim 0.57 \mu\text{s}$
 - Energy spread: $\Delta E \sim 3.5 \text{ eV}$
 - Emittance: $\varepsilon_{rms} \sim 0.9 \pi \text{ mm mrad @ } 60 \text{ keV}$
 - Transmission Rate (Within RFQ): 83%

Detector stations

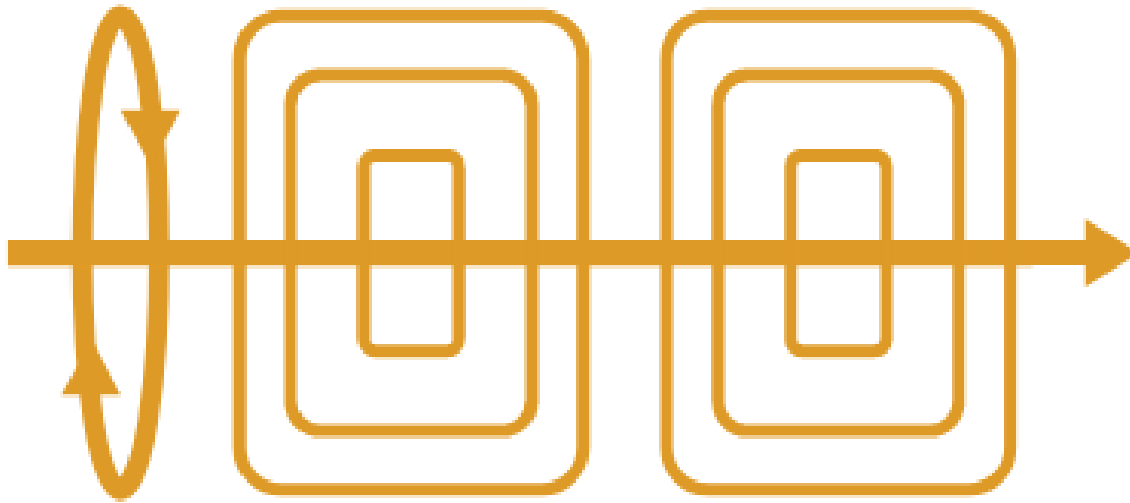


SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

- Ion trap addition
 - Reduces wall effects caused by gaseous sources
 - Opens CRES technique to a broader range of isotopes
- **GOLIATH**
 - Will utilize non-standard H₂ buffer gas
 - Planned 50x standard throughput
- Tests to be conducted soon at Texas A&M!
 - Results will be used to finalize design of Penning trap & beamline
- After testing will be moved to the University of Washington for implementation



${}^6\text{He-CRES}$



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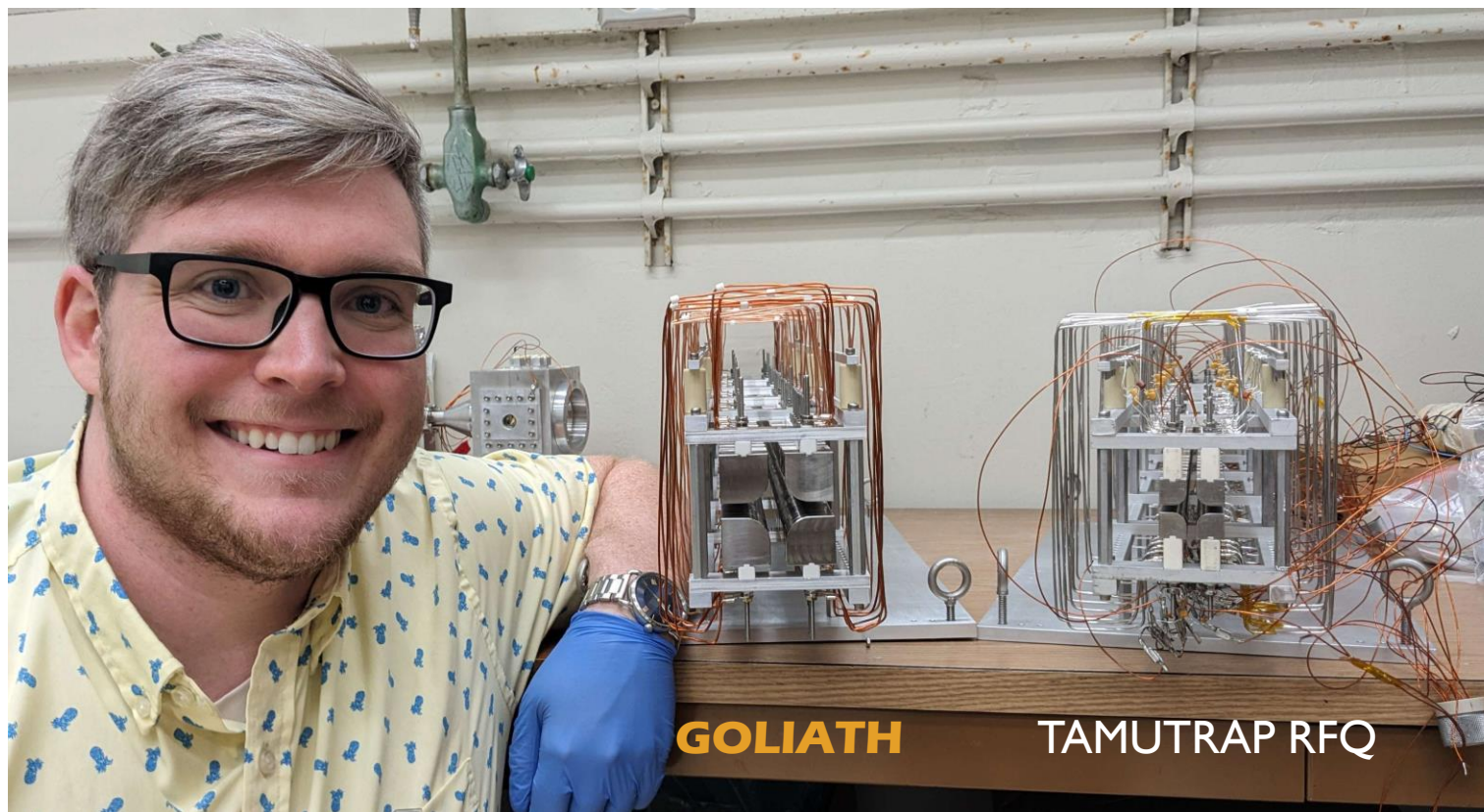
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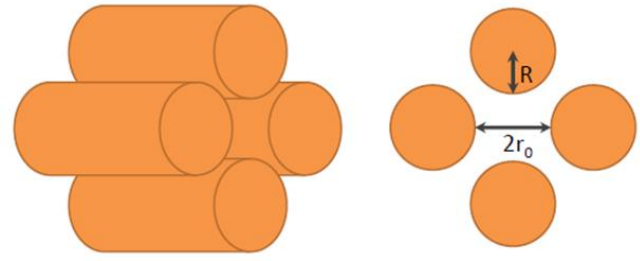
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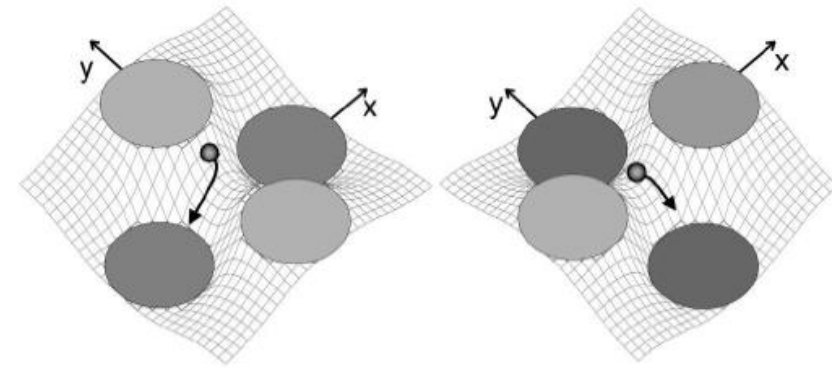
Questions?



BACKUPS



Radio frequency quadrupole trap (RFQ)

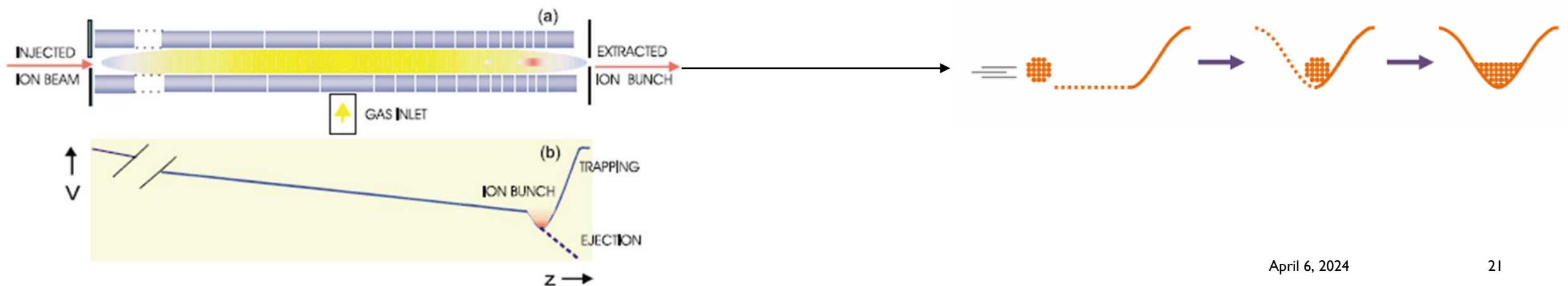


The Mathieu stability parameter q must be constrained between $0.4 < q < 0.7$ from for the highest probability of retaining an ion of mass M

$$q = \frac{eV_{pp}}{\Omega^2 M r_0^2}$$

With this we constrain our operating voltage (V_{pp}) and frequency (Ω) to the characteristic distance (r_0) for a given mass.

With ions trapped in the RFQ, we use a buffer gas to cool the ions. Once the ions have sufficiently cooled, we release them from the RFQ as a singular bunch that is able to be captured by the Penning trap for measurement

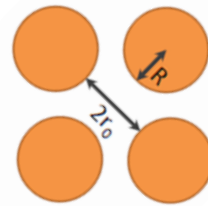


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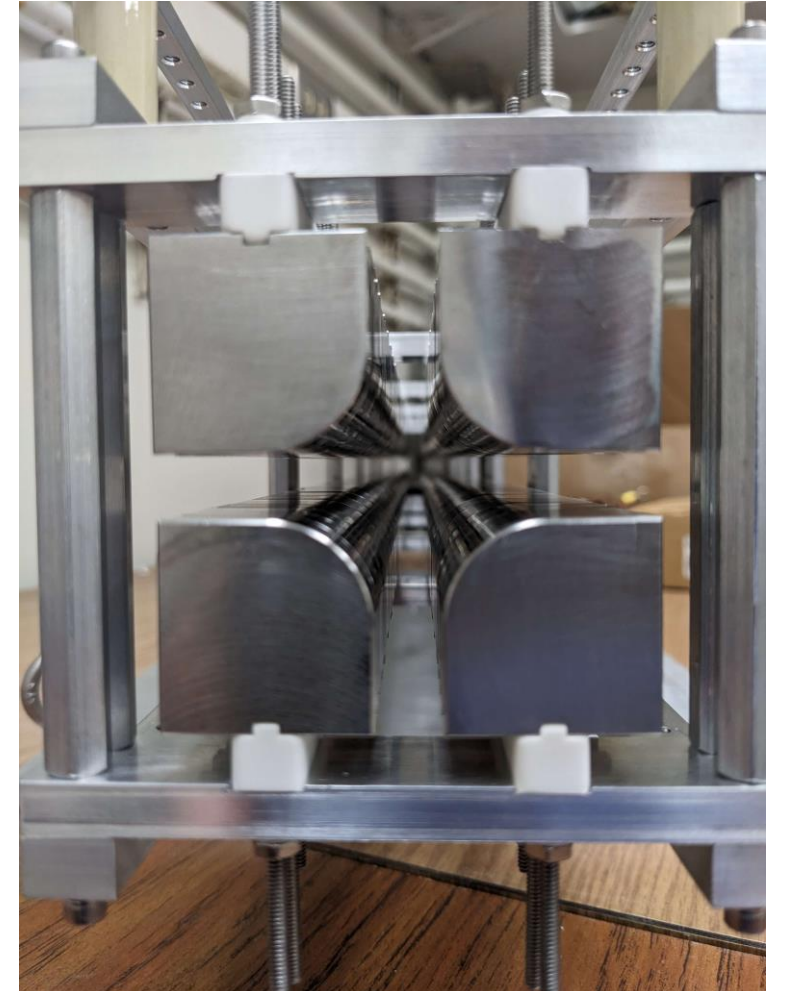
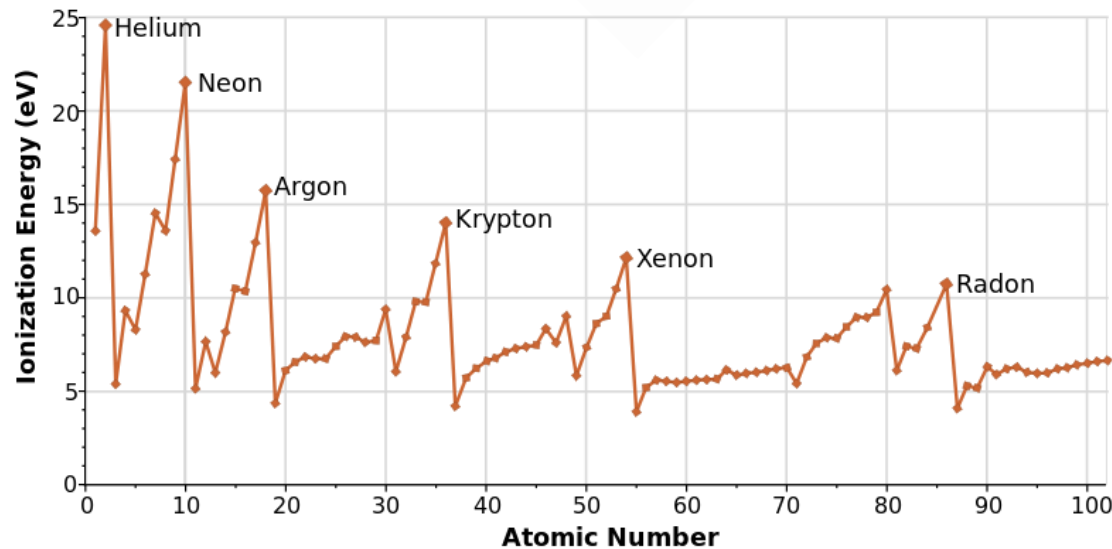
Gas **O**perated **L**arge **I**on-bunch **A**tomistic **T**rap for **H**e6-CRES

Design Specifications

- Characteristic radius: $r_0 = 12$ mm
- Operating frequencies: $f = 1$ -2 MHz
- Peak-to-peak voltage: $V_{pp} = 400$ V

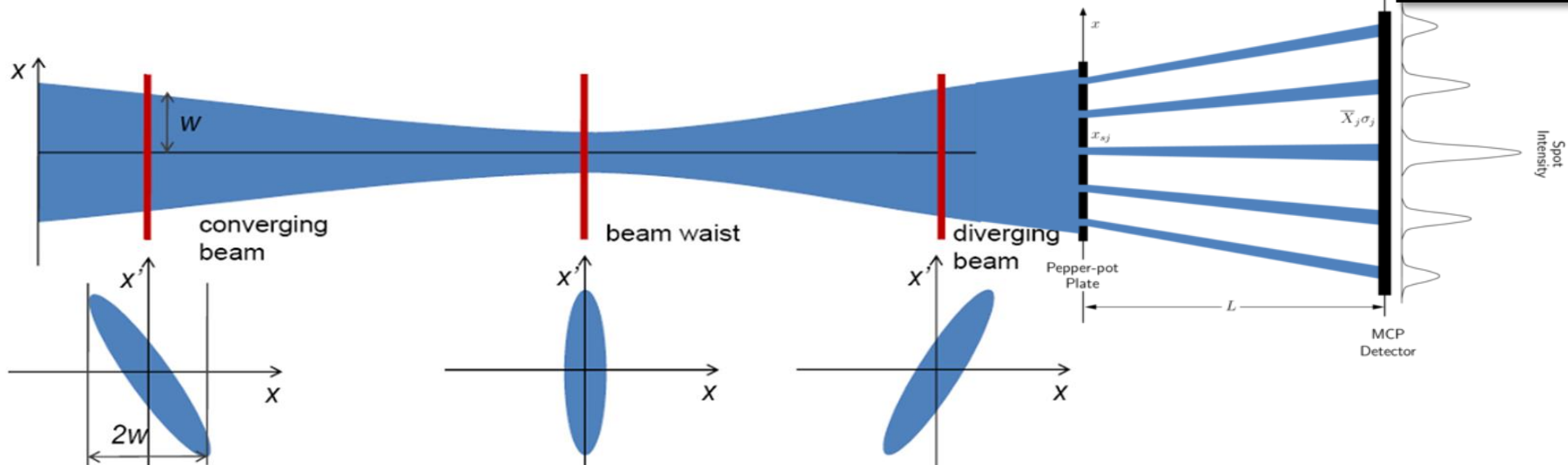


H₂ to be used in place of usual ⁴He to avoid charge exchange with ⁶He



EMITTANCE \propto TRAP RADIUS

- Liouville's theorem states that the area of the phase-space distribution is constant with time



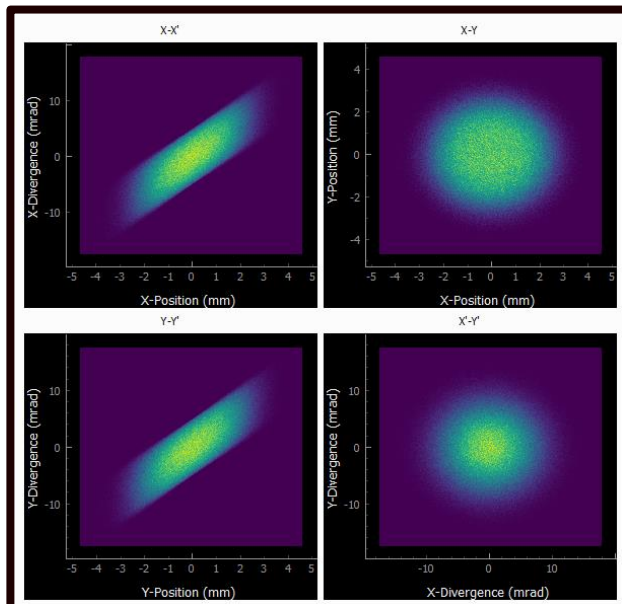
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Generate Beam



Pypperpot Analysis Software

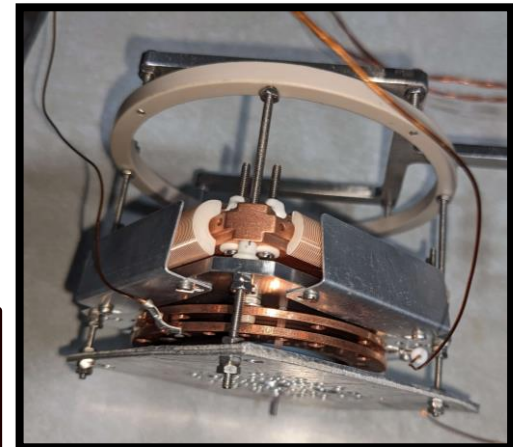
Pypperpot 2.3 software interface showing analysis parameters and phase-space plots. The interface includes a control panel on the left with various input fields and sliders, and a main display area on the right showing a grid of beam spots and a phase-space plot of Divergence (mrad) vs Position (mm).

Analysis Parameters:

- Mask: Load Mask, Save Mask
- Number of Holes: 25
- Hole Diameter (mm): 0.127
- Hole Separation (mm): 0.2 +/- 0.05
- Mask to Screen Distance (mm): 12.7 +/- 0.5
- Calibration (pix/mm): 80 +/- 0.5
- Edge-Sensing Algorithm: []
- Window Fraction 1/ [2]
- X offset: 0, Y offset: 0
- Reduce Peak Number: []
- X-peaks: 21, Y-peaks: 22
- Min X: 1220, Max X: 1826
- Min Y: 1218, Max Y: 1843
- Peak-By-Peak Fit: []

Twiss Parameters:

- $\epsilon_{x,y} = 0.927 \pm 0.450$ n mm mrad
- $\epsilon_{y,x} = 0.929 \pm 0.460$ n mm mrad
- $\sigma_x = -18.543$, $\sigma_y = -18.382$
- $\beta_x = 6.032$, $\beta_y = 6.035$
- $\nu_x = 73.145$, $\nu_y = 72.136$

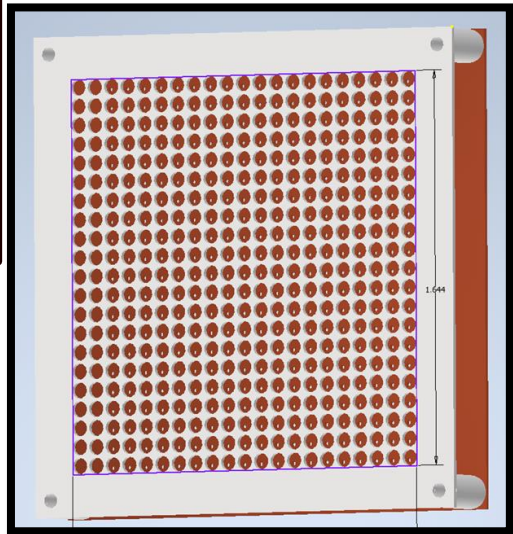


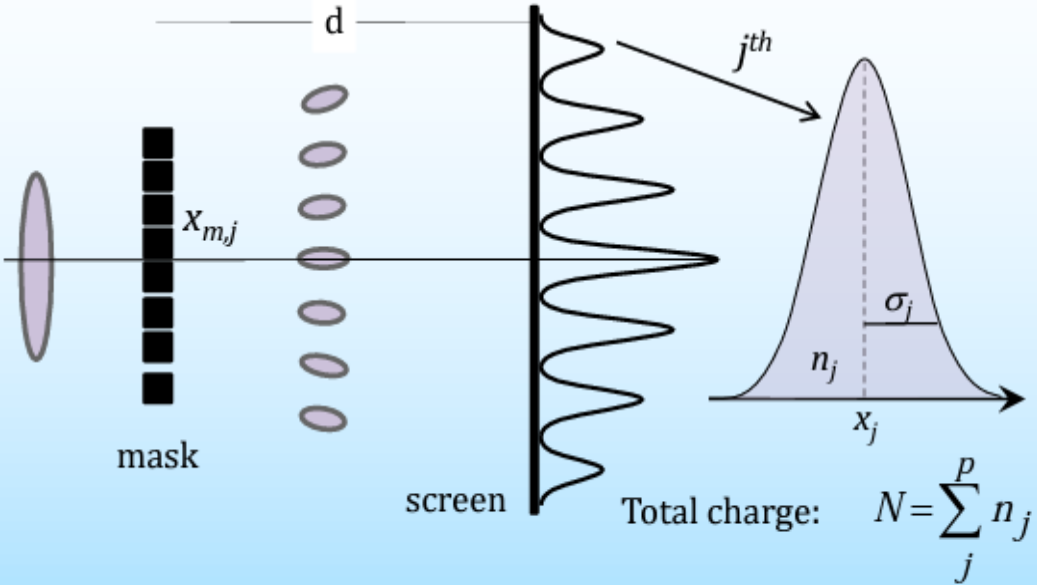
Apply First Mask Design

Calculate Trajectories

Visualize Phase-Space

Finish First Mask Design



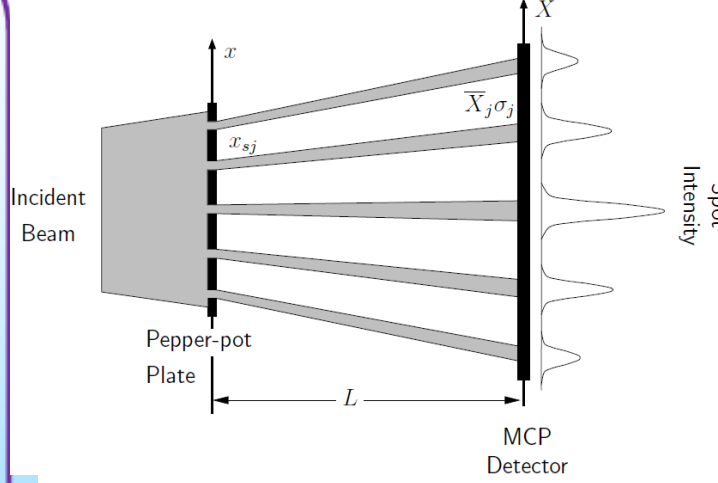


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In all beamlets:

Mean position:

$$\bar{X} = 1/N \sum_j n_j x_{m,j} = \langle X \rangle$$

Mean divergence:

$$\bar{X}' = 1/N \sum_j n_j \bar{X}'_j = \langle X' \rangle$$

In j^{th} beamlet:

Mean divergence:

$$\bar{X}'_j = 1/n_j \sum X'_{ij}$$

rms divergence:

$$\sigma_{j,x'} = \frac{\sigma_j}{d}$$

with

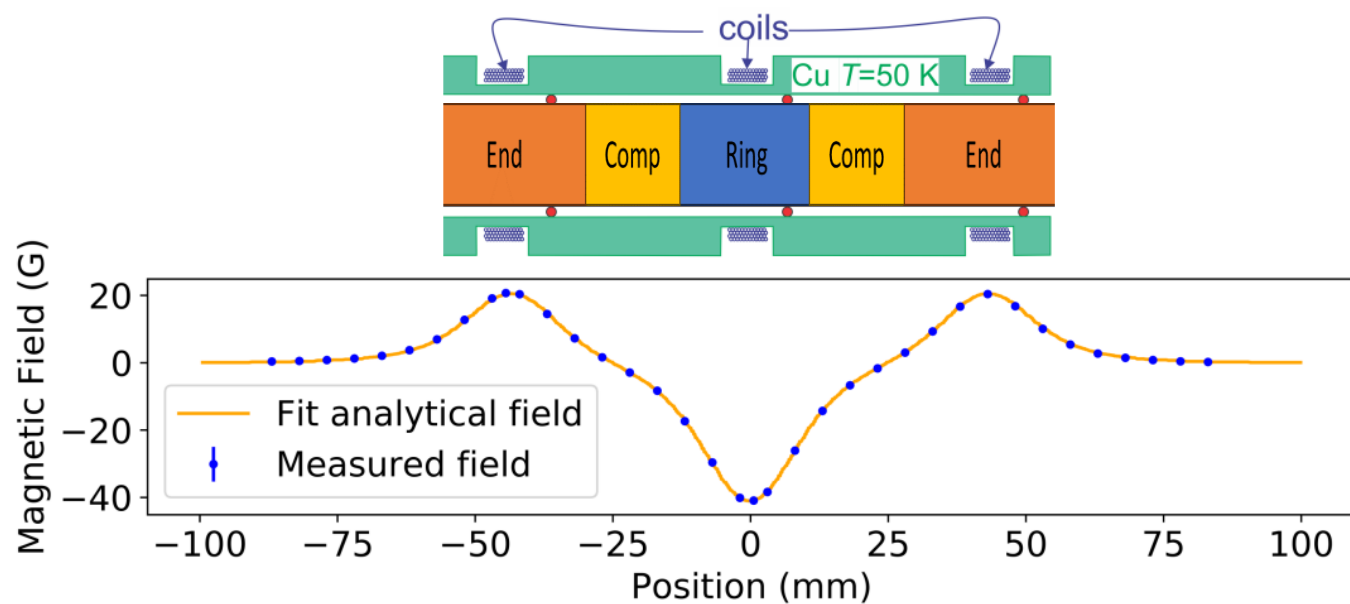
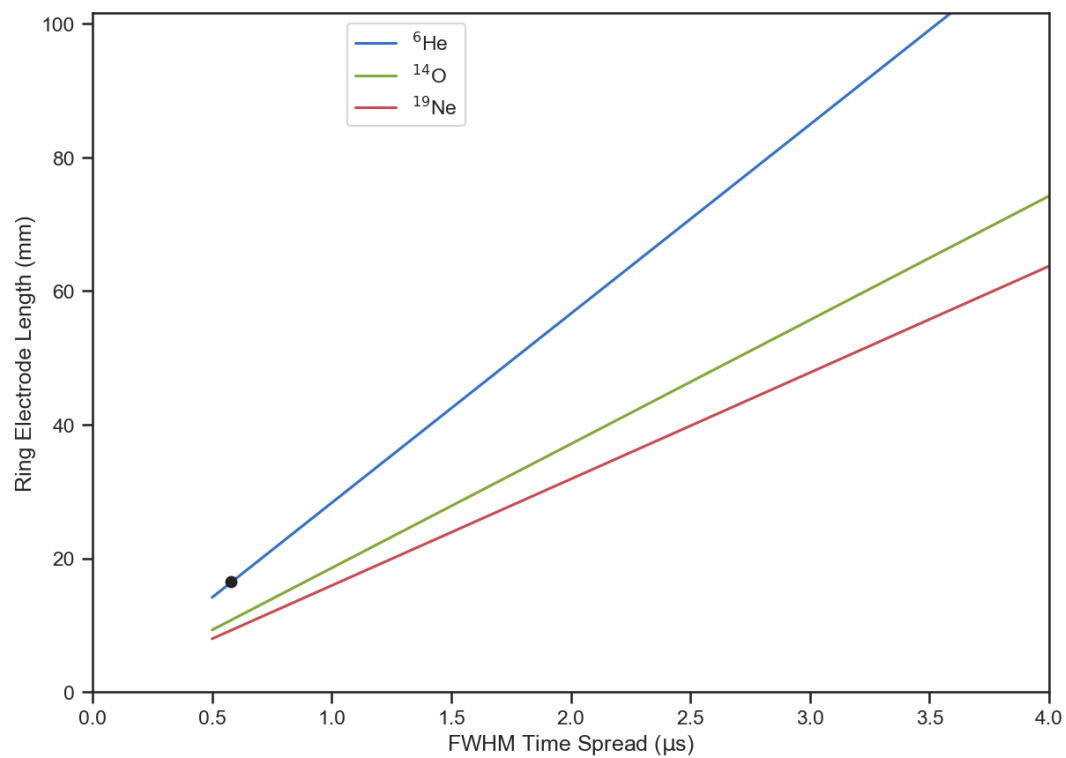
$$\sigma_j \equiv \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_j} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} (X_{ji} - \bar{X}_j)^2}$$

which is the rms spot size of j-th beamlet on screen.

p = number of slits, $x_{m,j}$ = j-th slit position, N = all particles behind the slits
 n_j = number of particles passing through slit (weight of spot intensity)

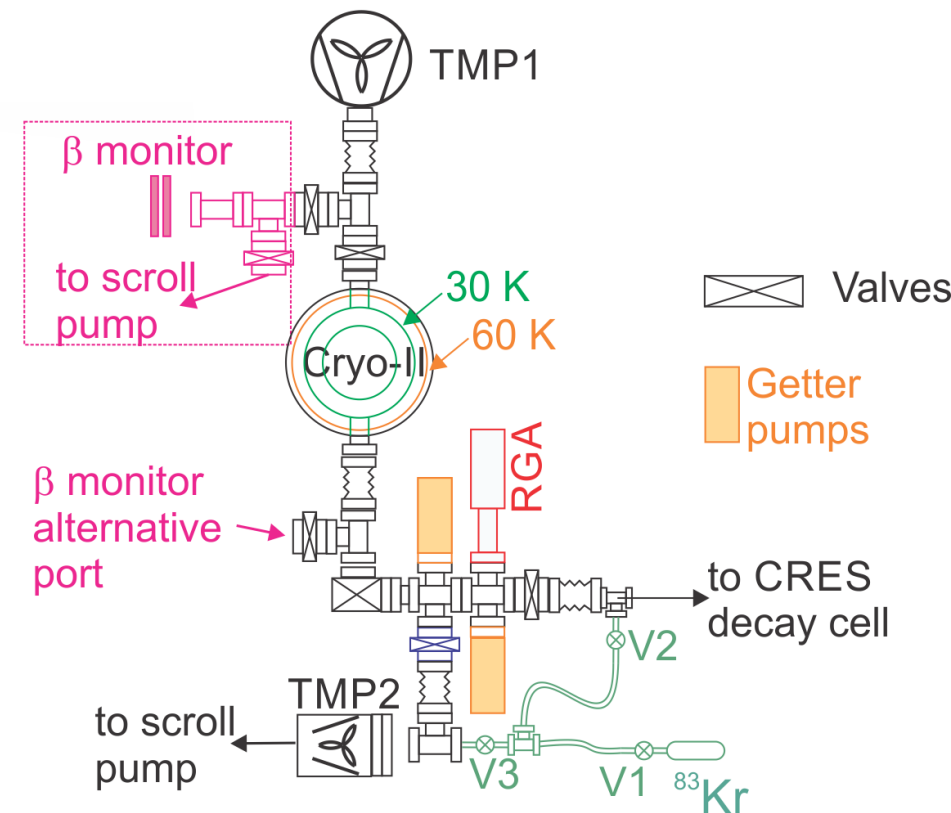
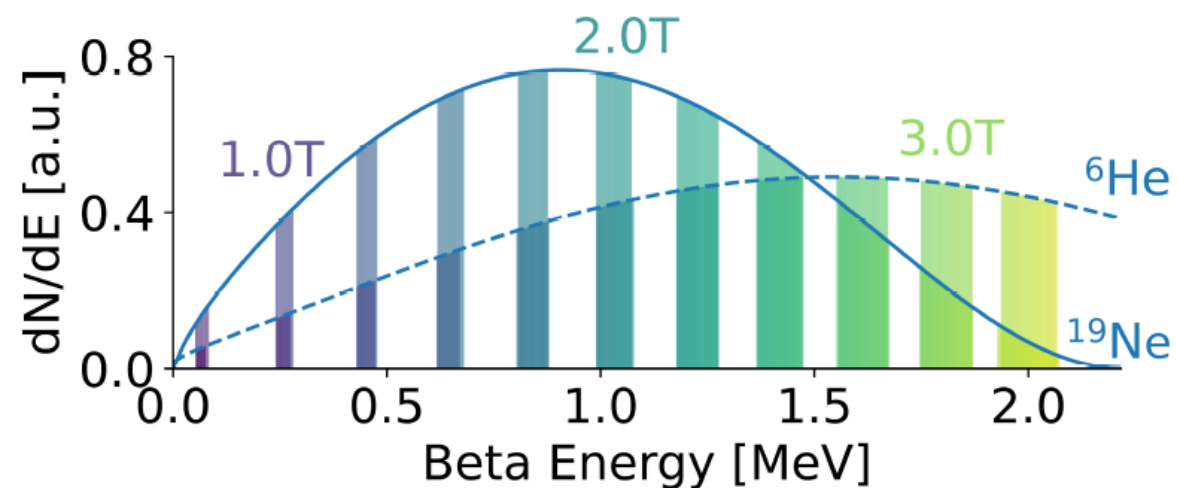
TIME SPREAD \propto RING ELECTRODE LENGTH

- The ring electrode length along with the radius are integral to effective trapping



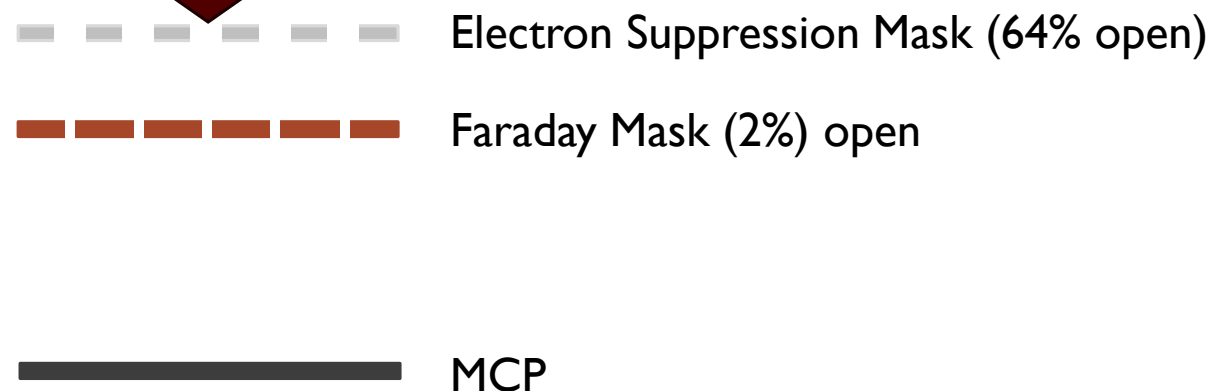
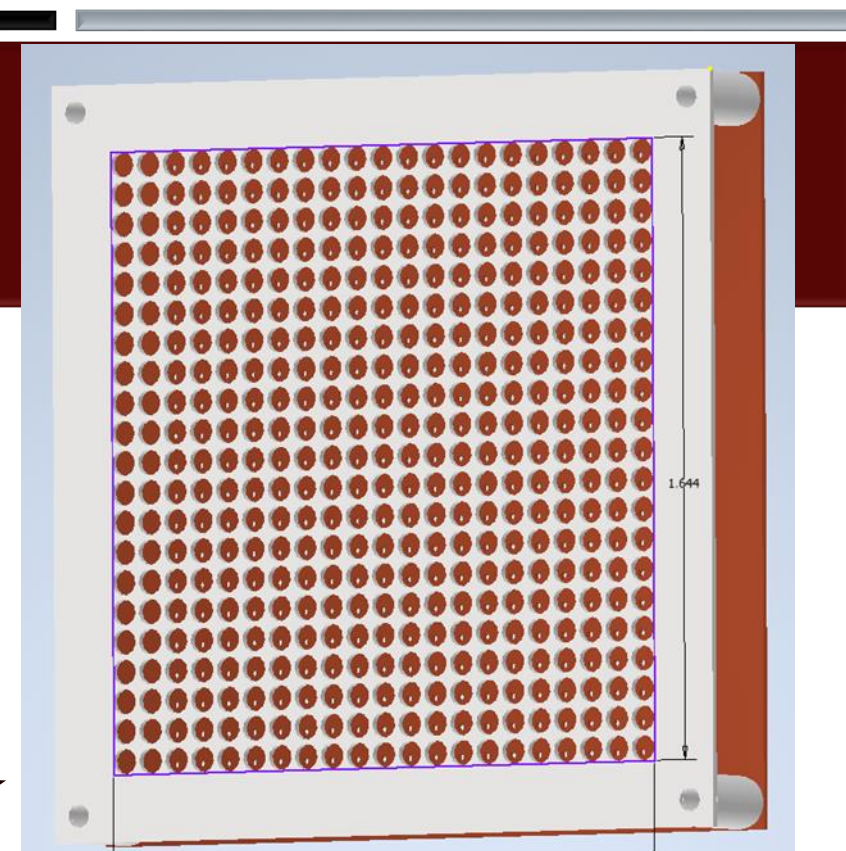
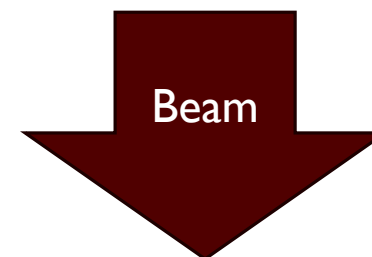
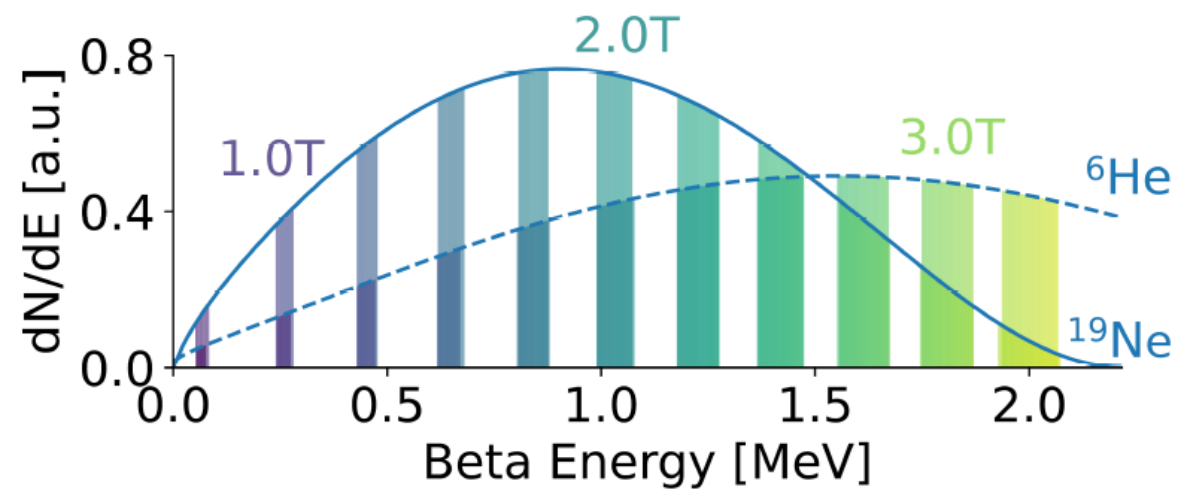
IMPORTANCE OF NORMALIZATION

- Because we are looking at slices of the beta spectrum, it is extremely important to have a normalization to our source rate
- TAMU actively engaged in development and characterization of β monitors

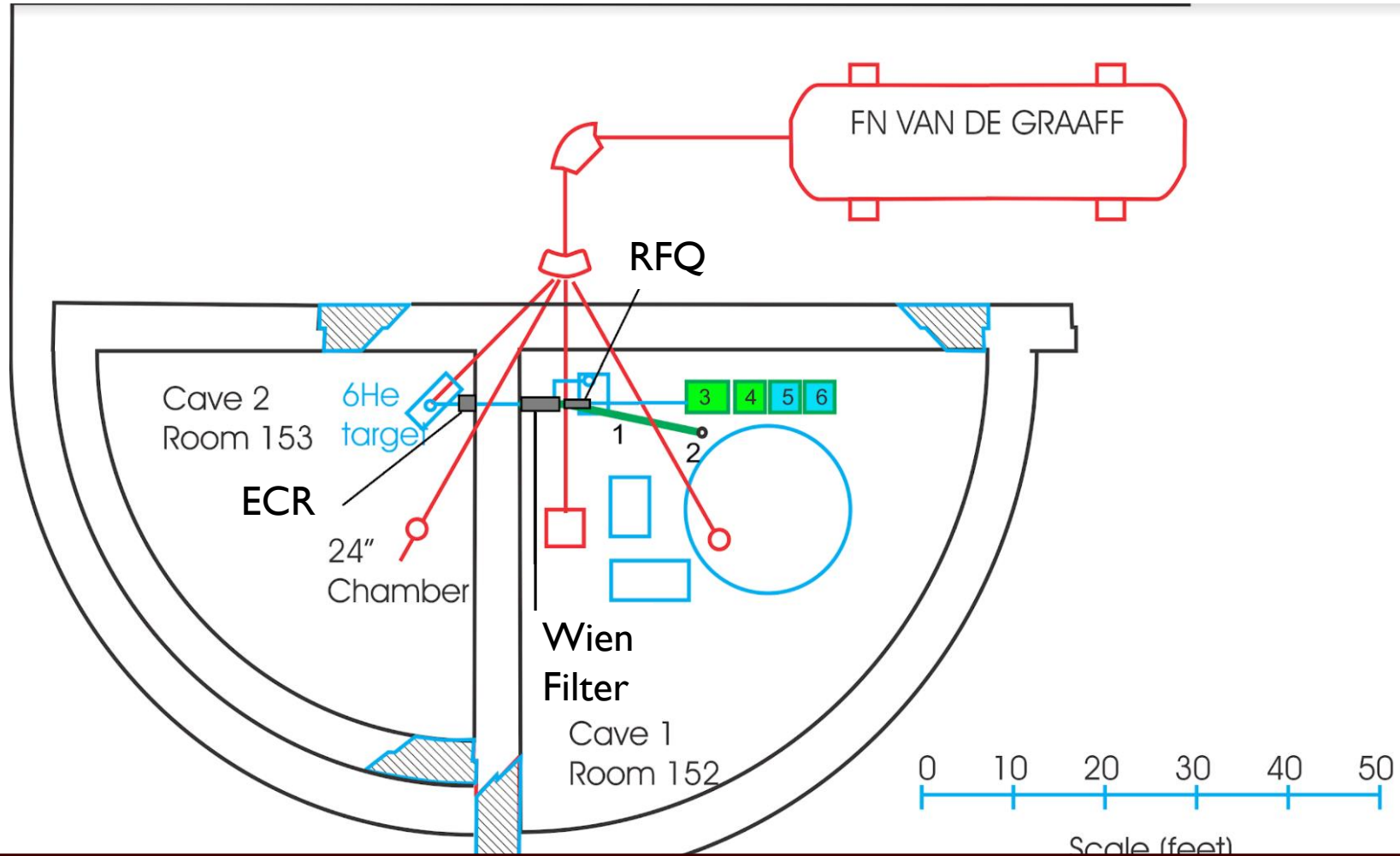


NORMALIZATION

- Repeatability is paramount to normalization
- Need to make sure that we are receiving both the rate and emittance we need



ION TRAP ADDITION



CHANGES AT TAMUTRAP

