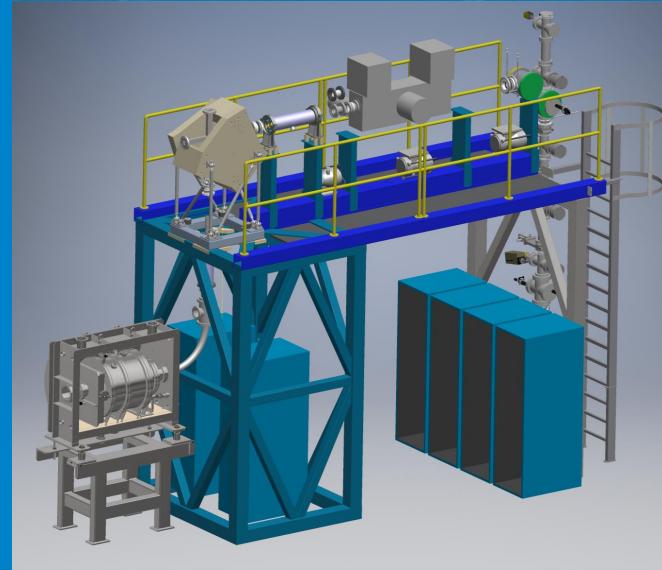


# THE N=126 FACTORY AT ANL

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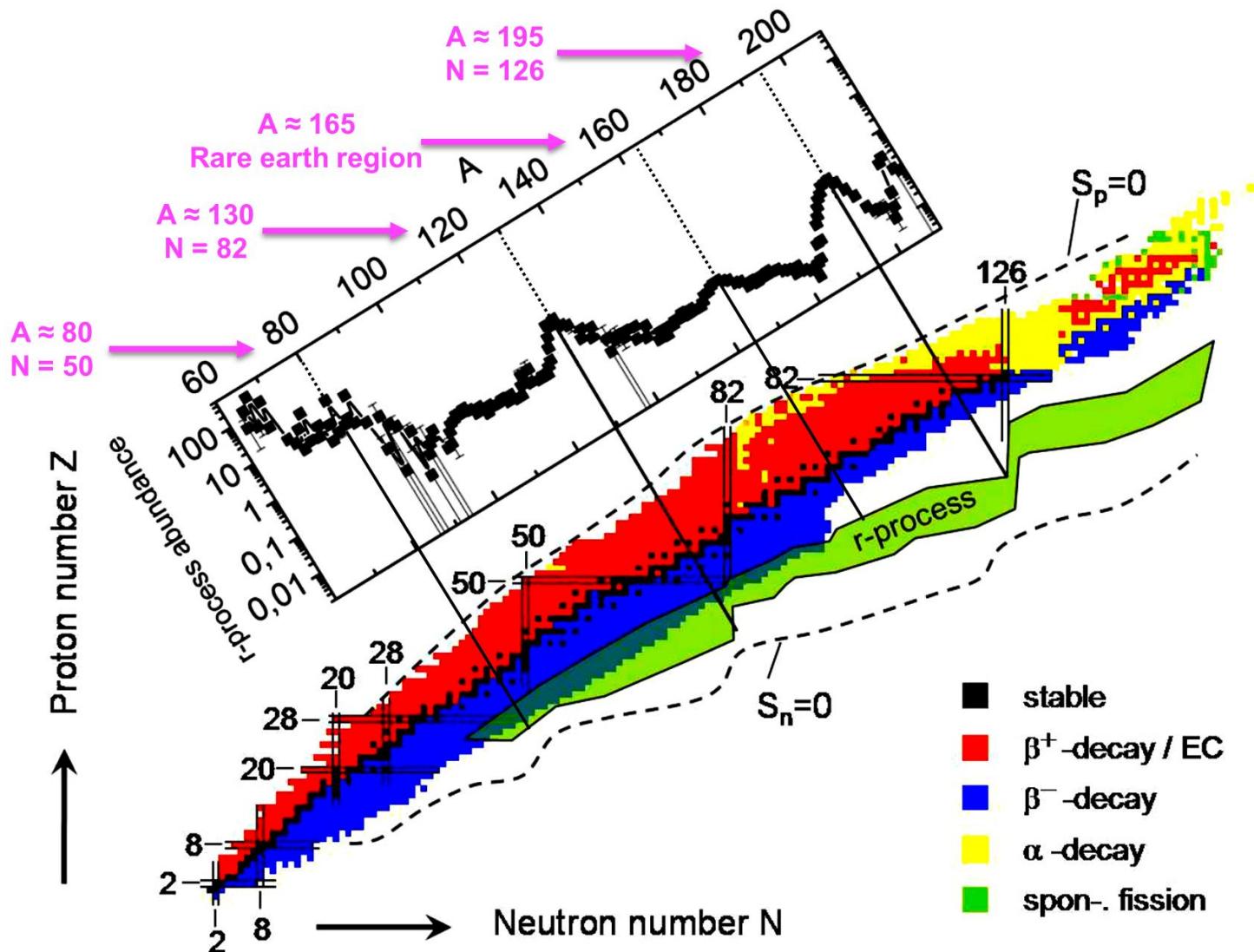
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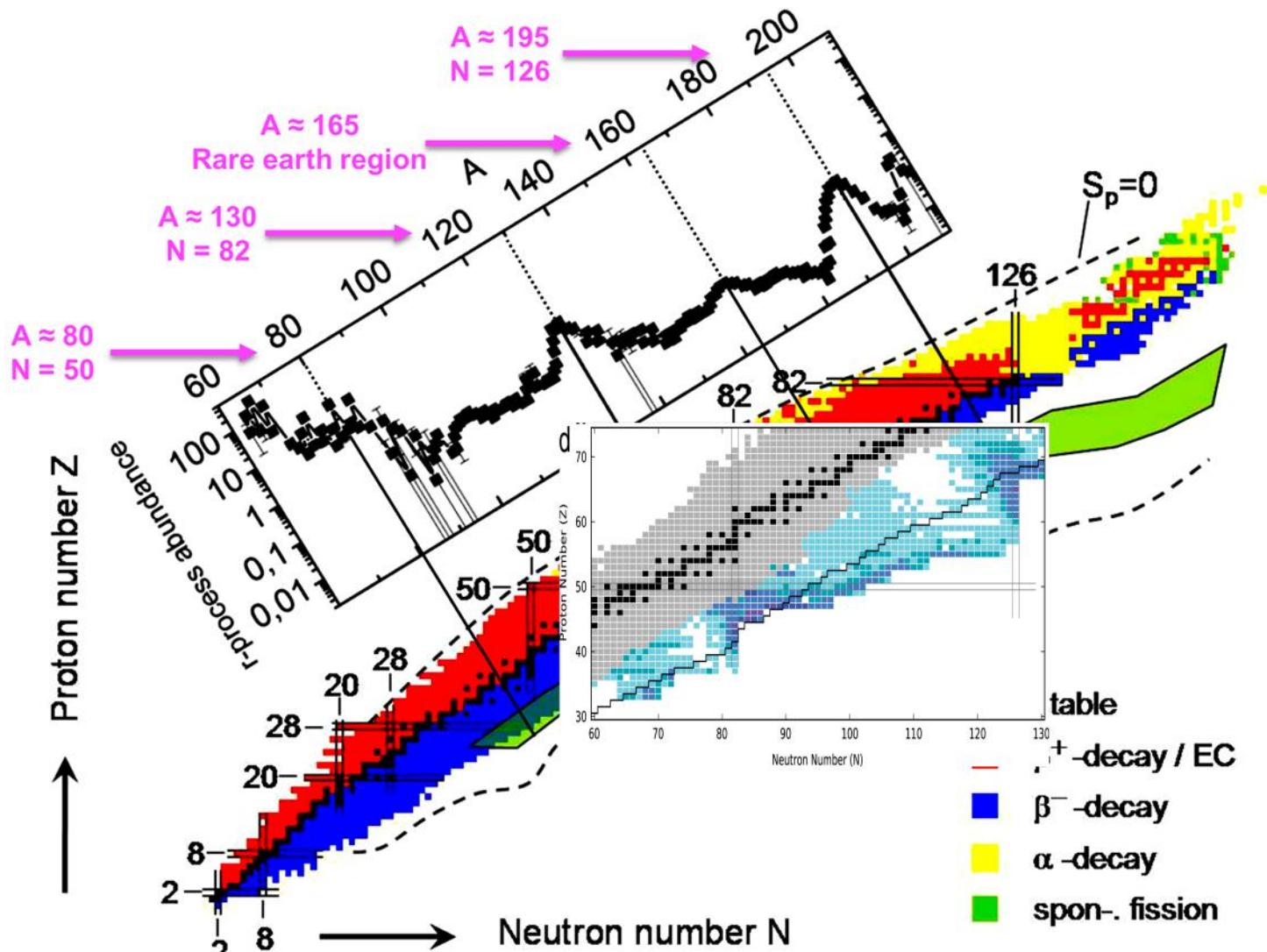
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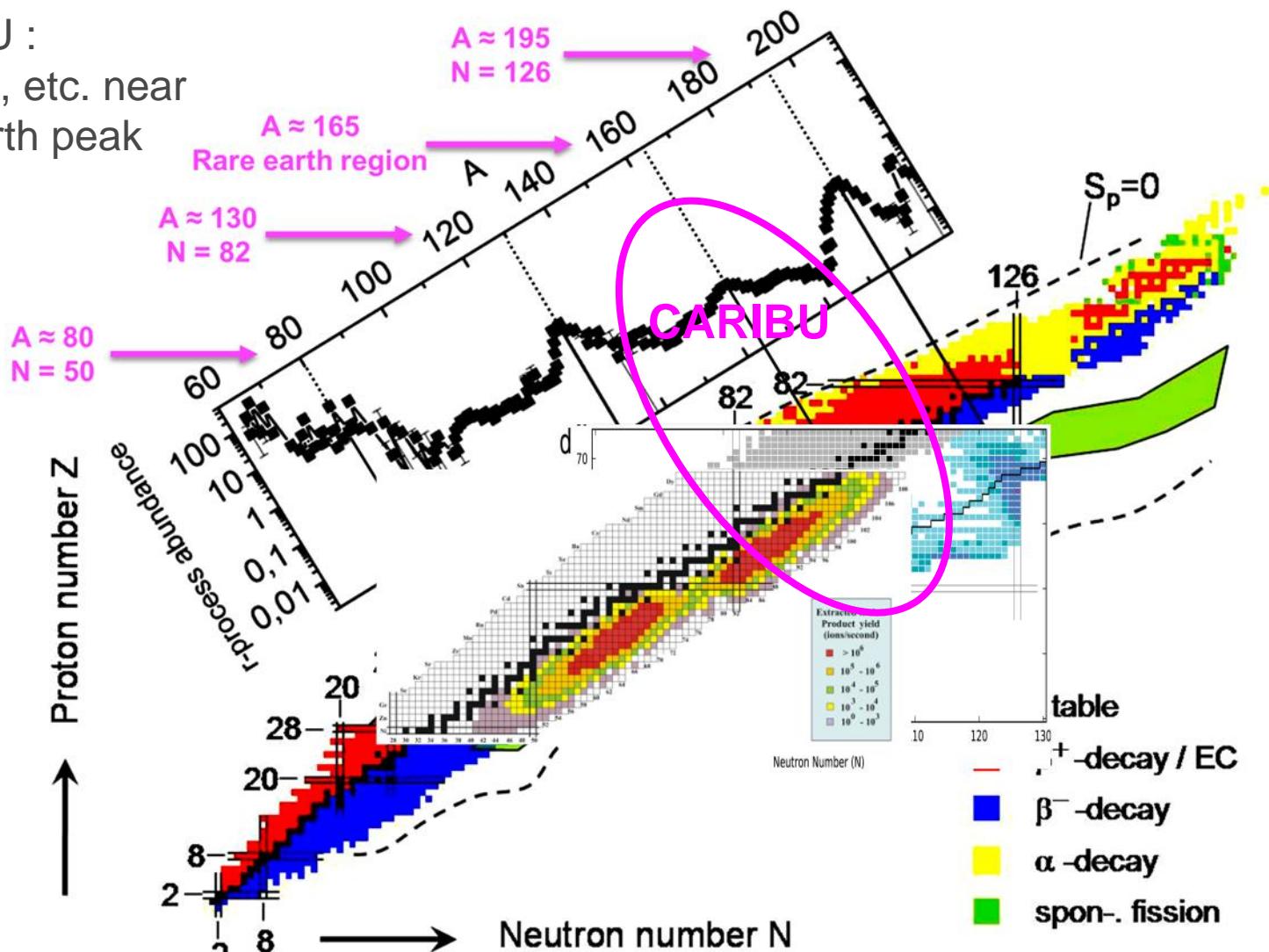


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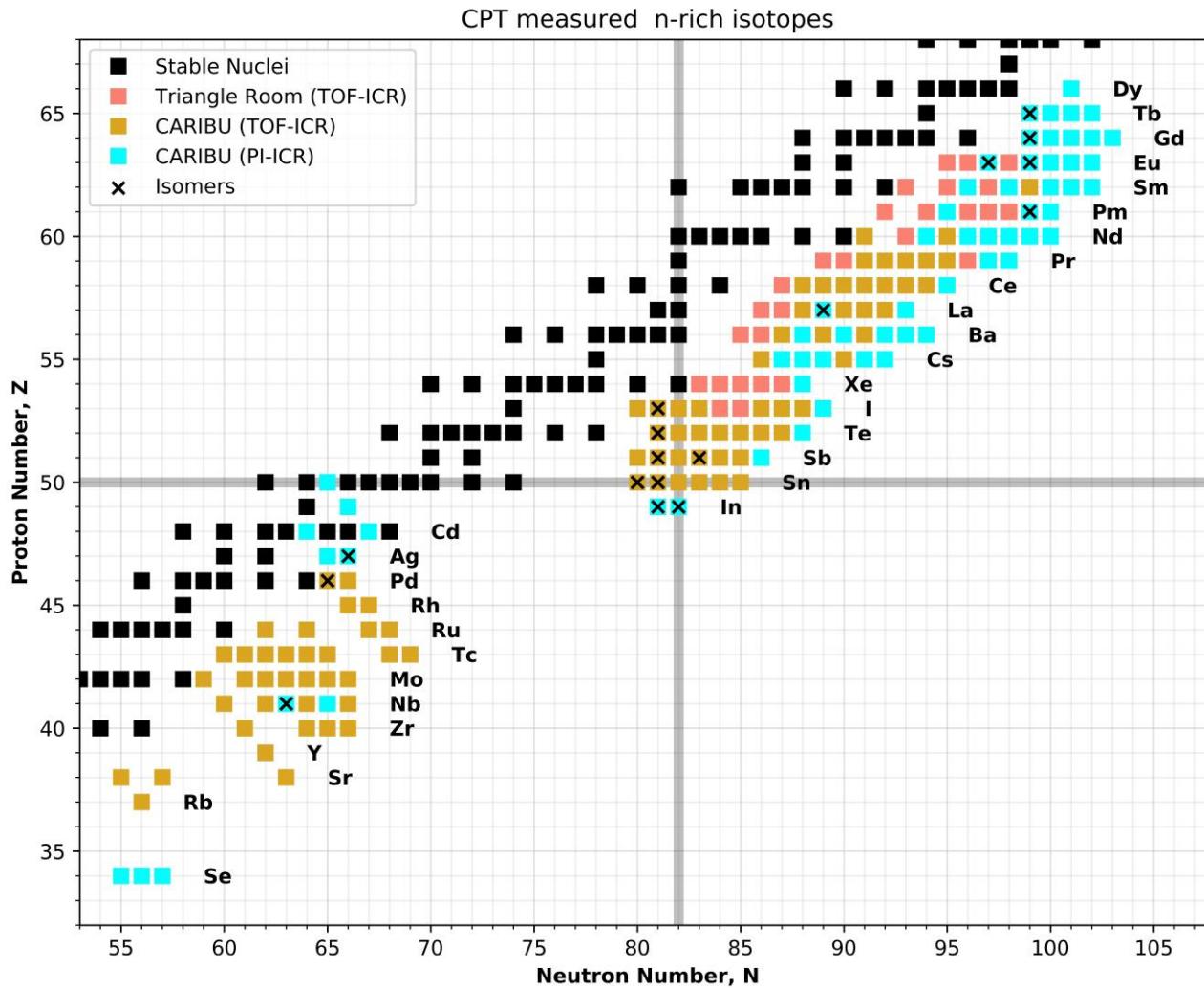
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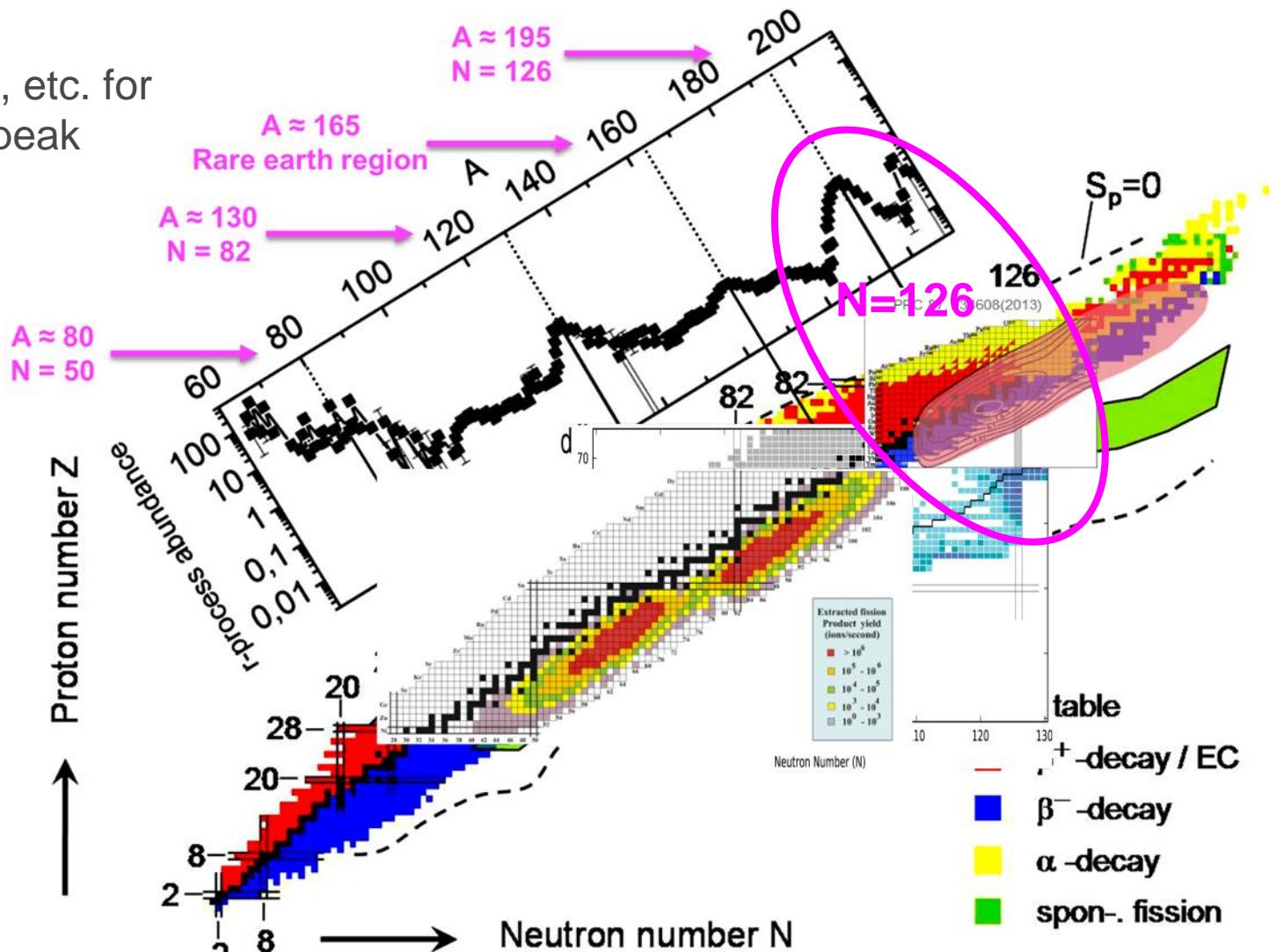
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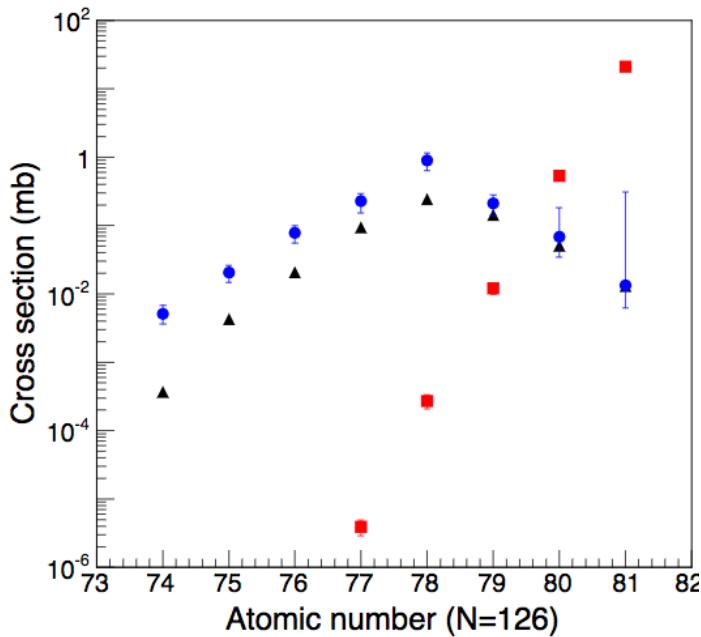
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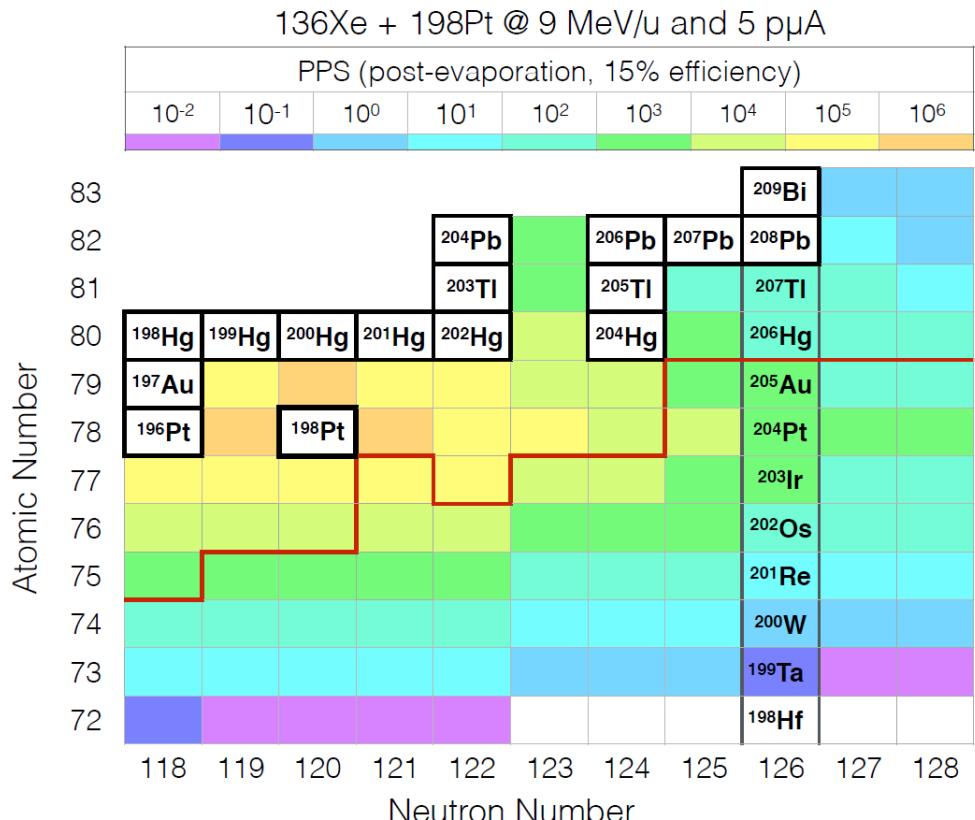
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# ACCESSING $N=126$ PEAK



$^{136}\text{Xe} + ^{198}\text{Pt}$  at 8 MeV/u  
(best multi-nucleon transfer  
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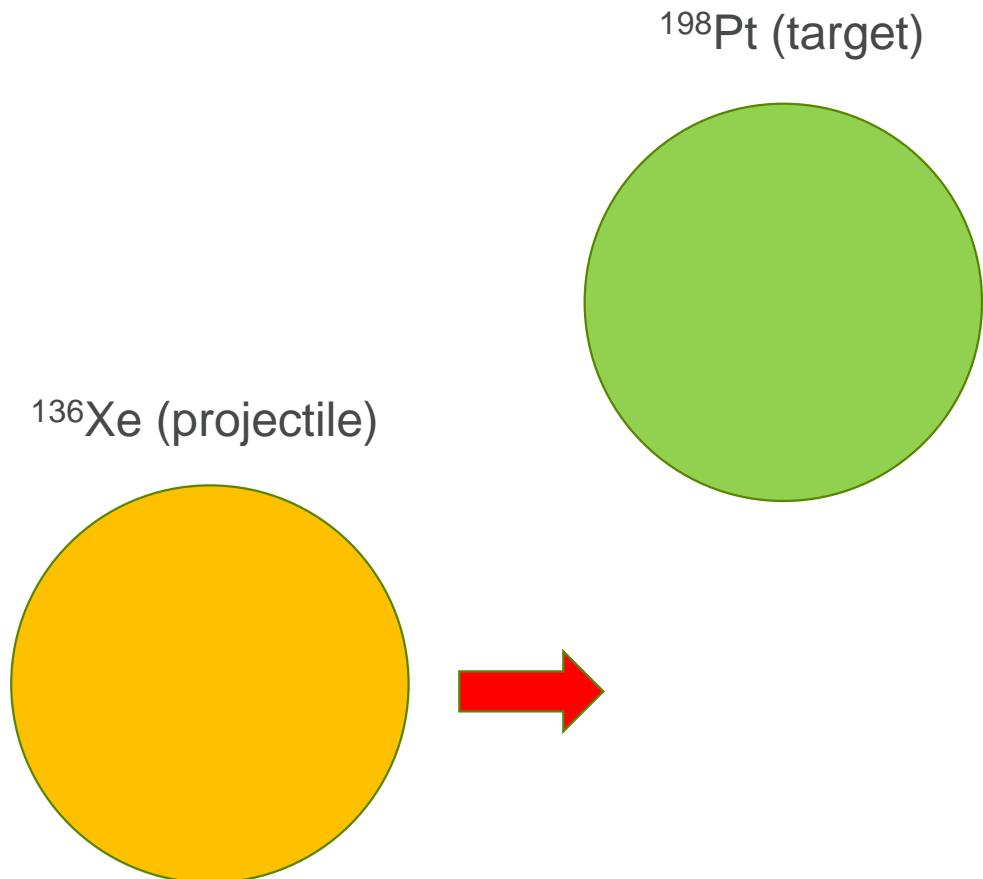
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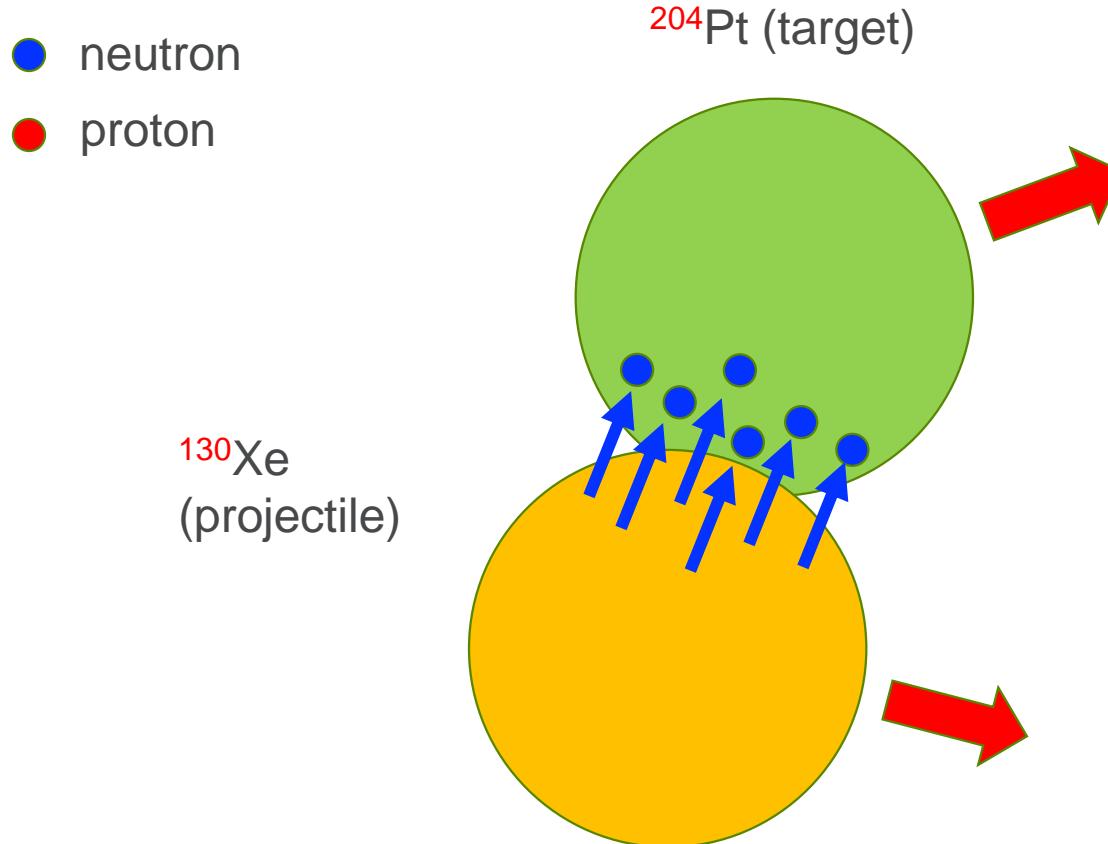
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$N=126$  rate figure courtesy J.M. Kelly

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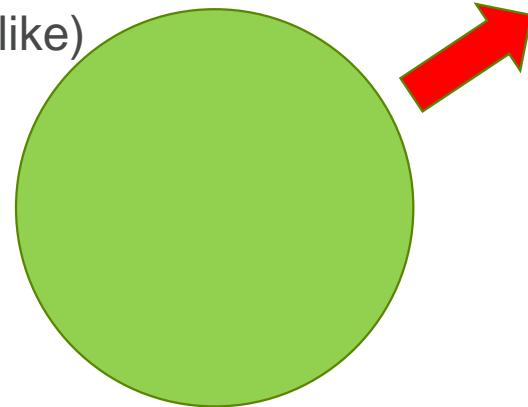


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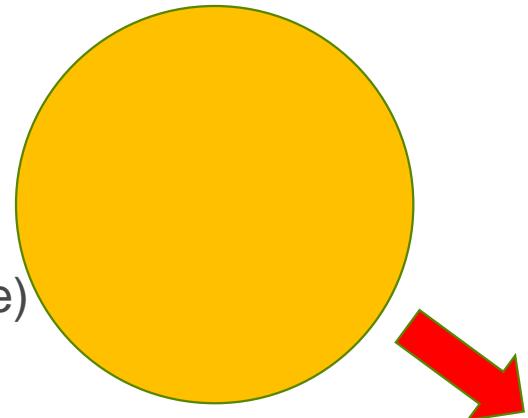


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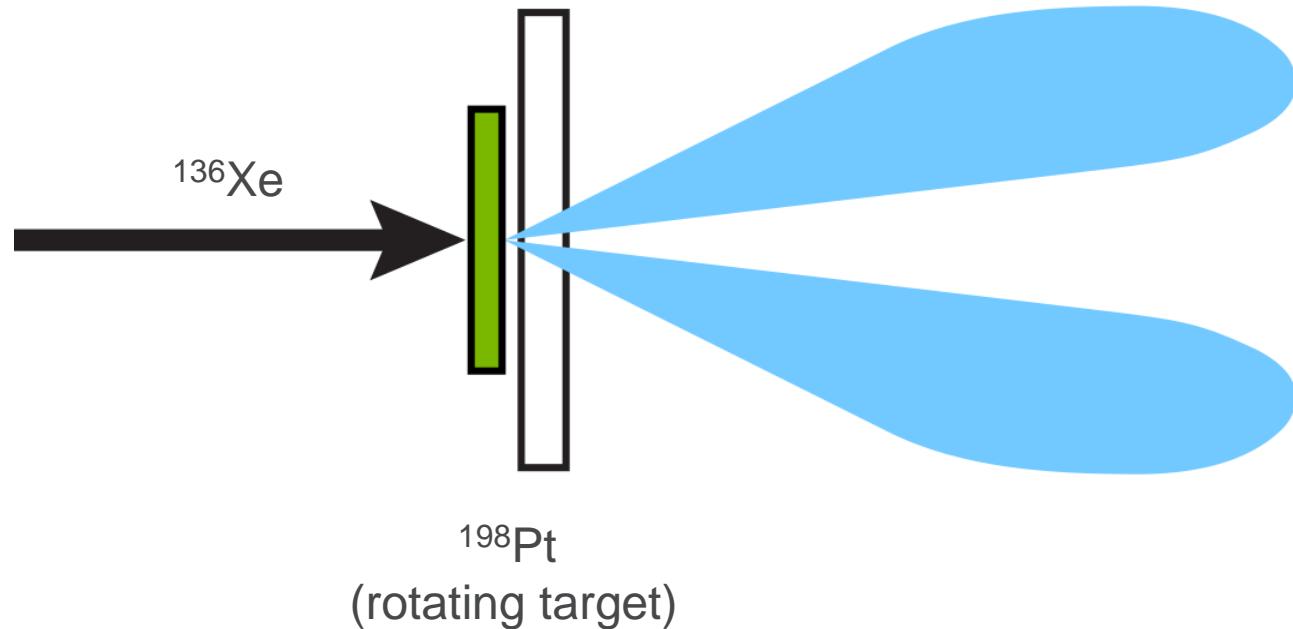
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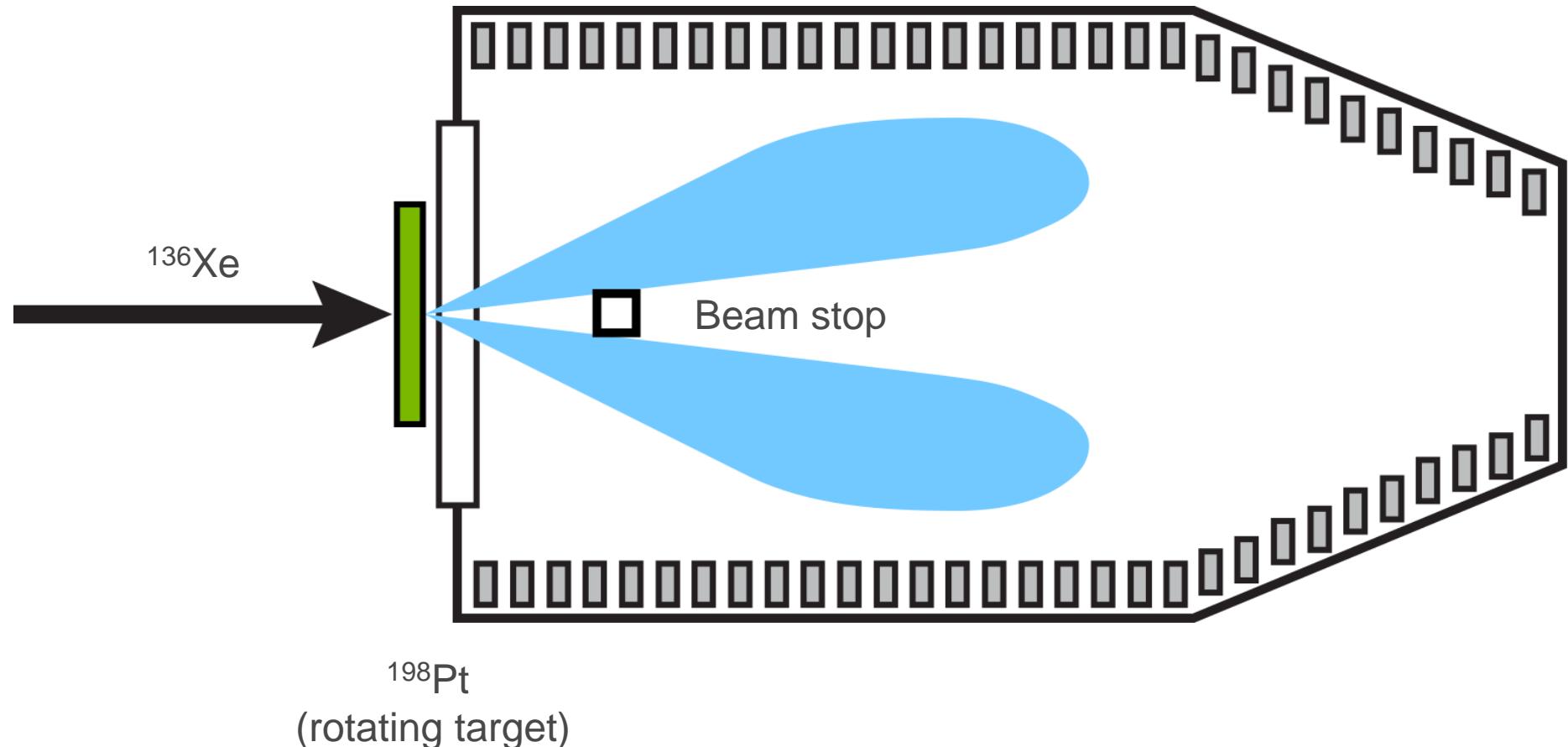


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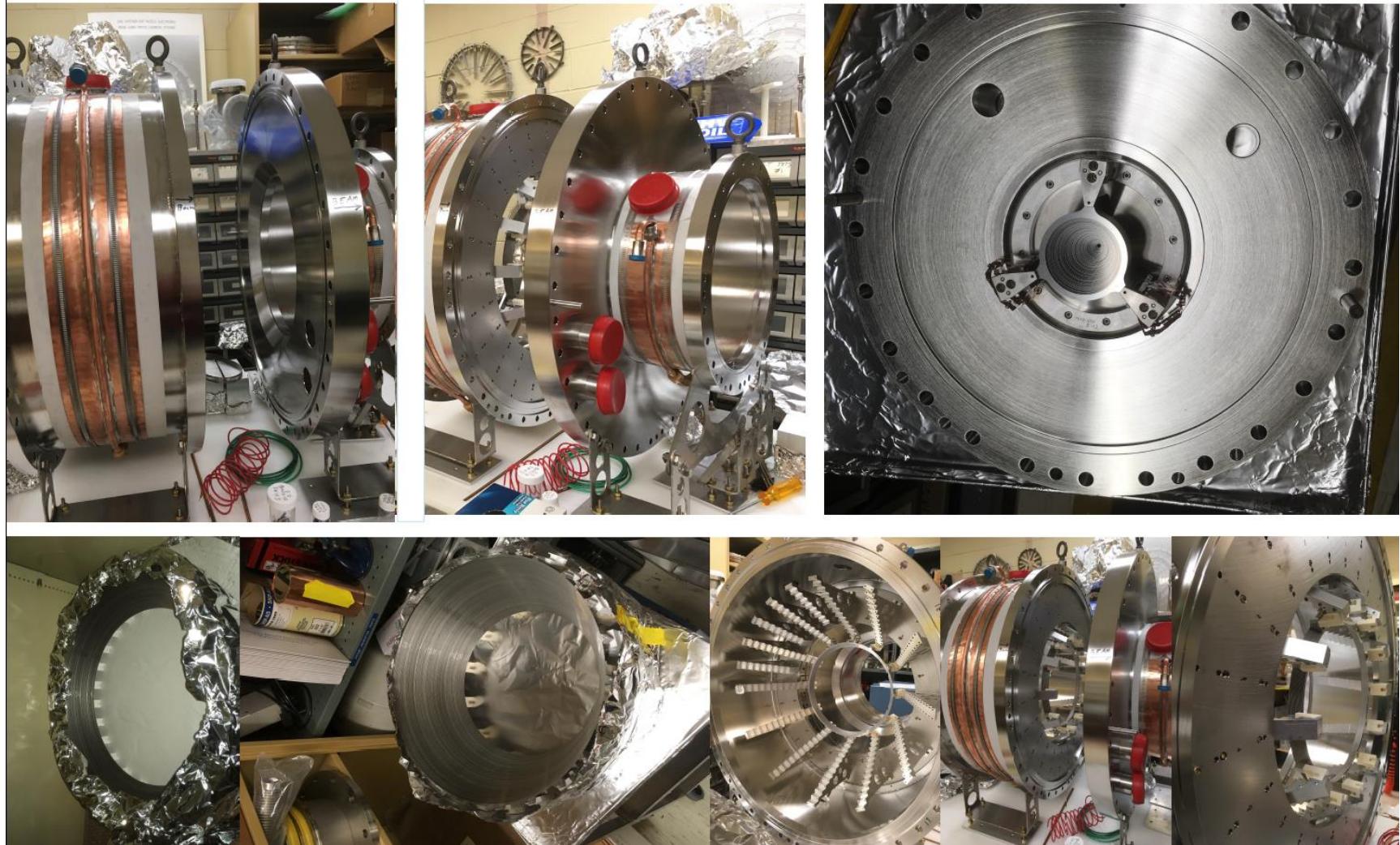


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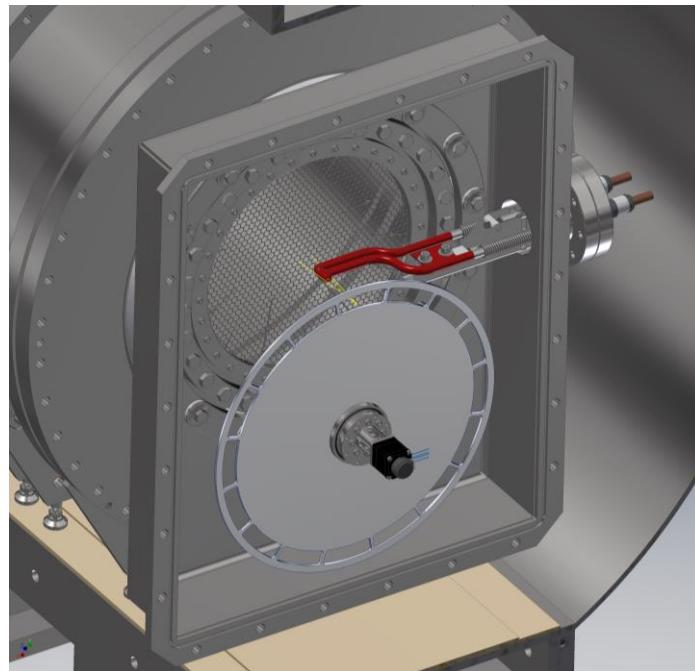
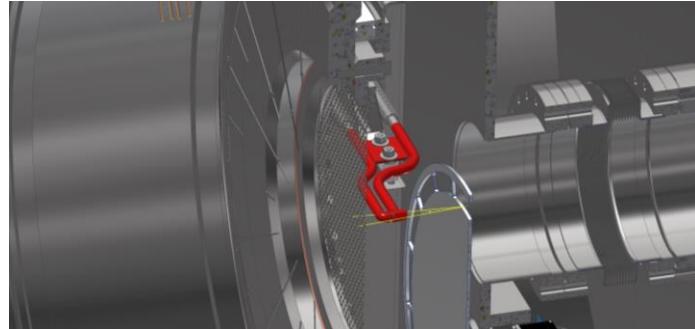
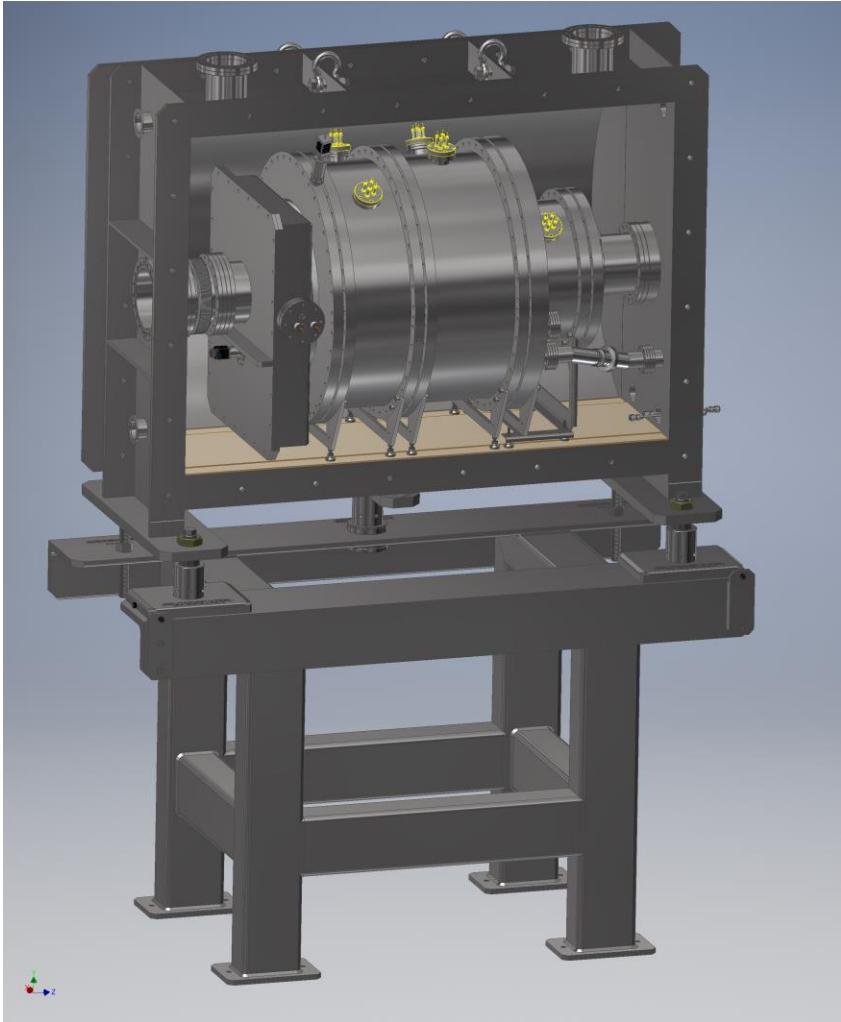


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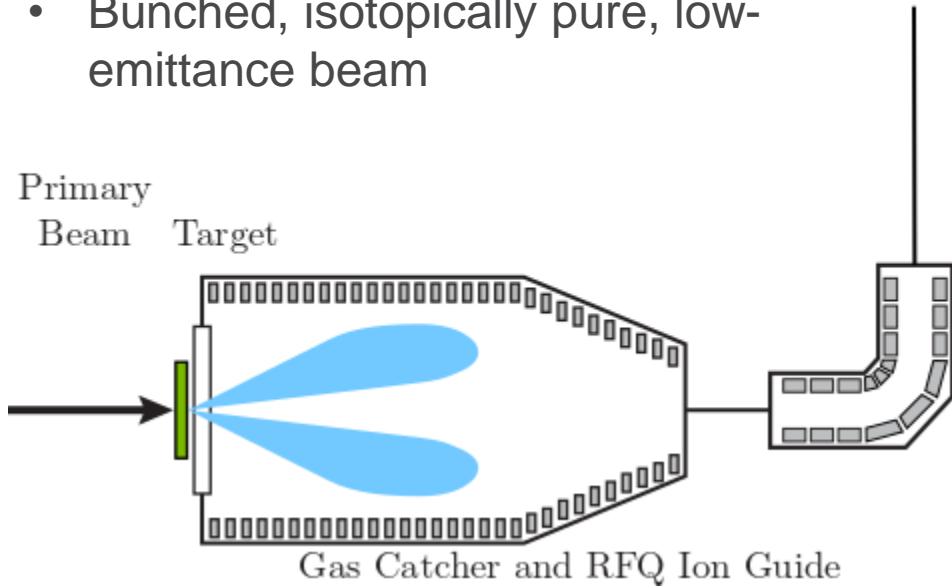
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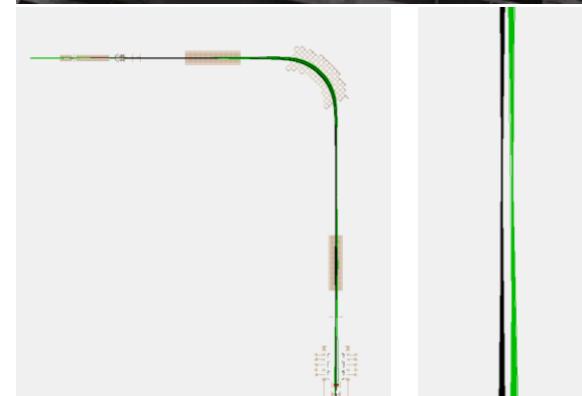
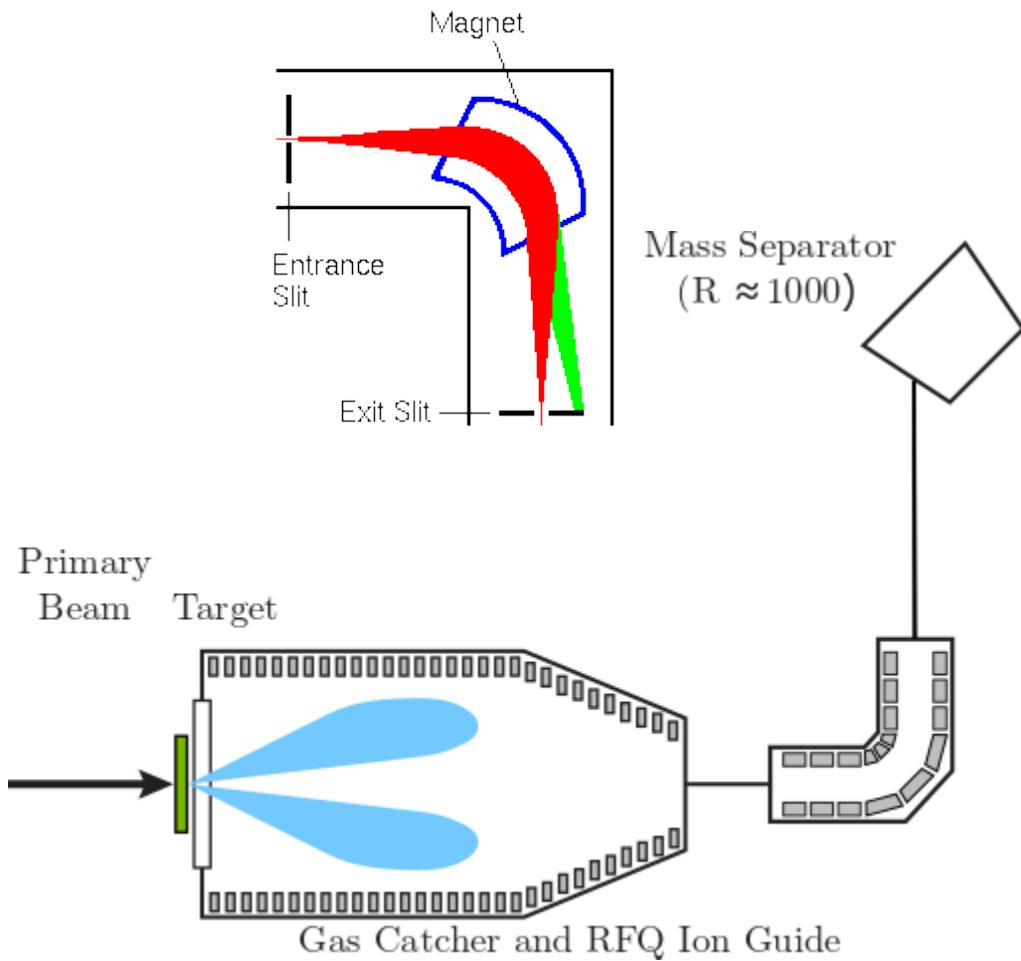
- Continuous, isotopically mixed, low energy beam



- Bunched, isotopically pure, low-emittance beam

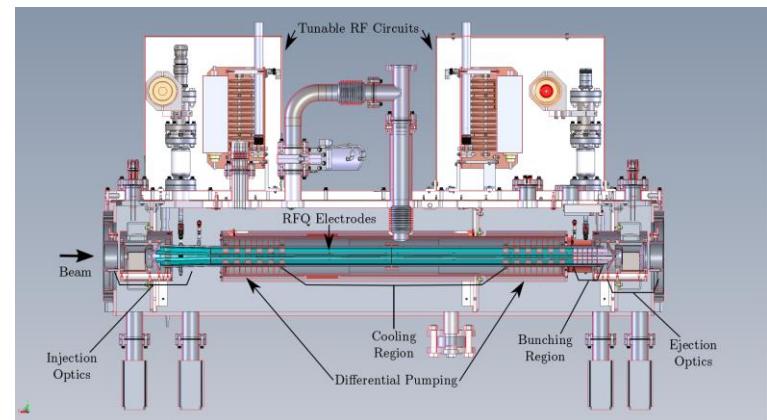
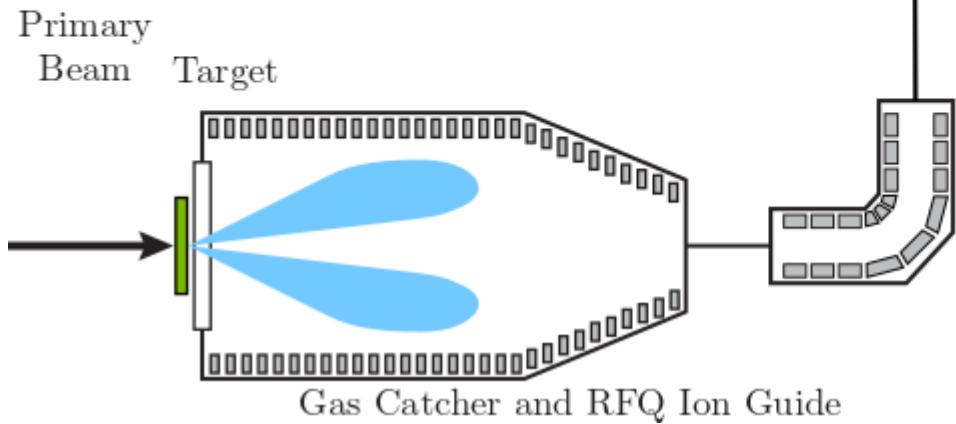
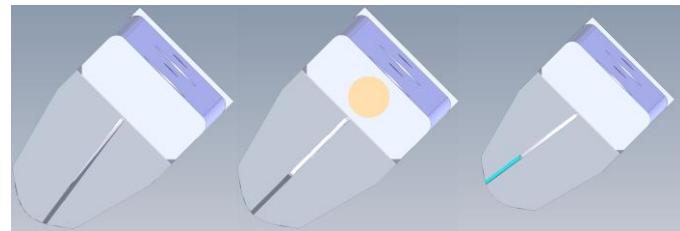
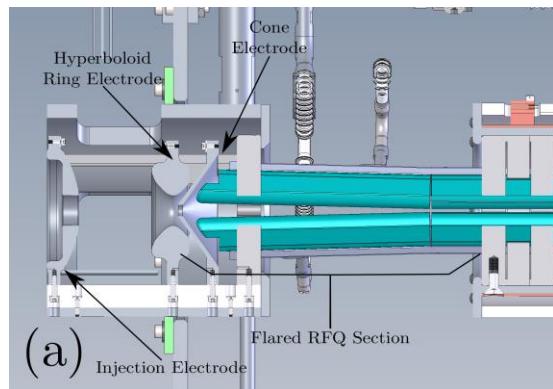


# ISOBAR SEPARATING MAGNET



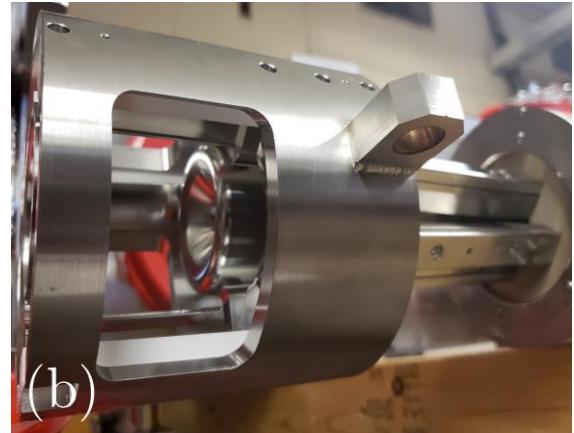
- Resolution high enough ( $M/\Delta M \sim 1000$ ) to separate into isobars

# COOLER-BUNCHER

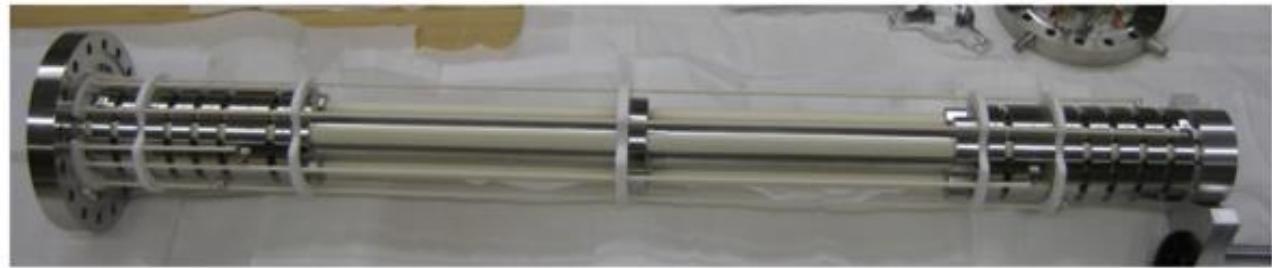
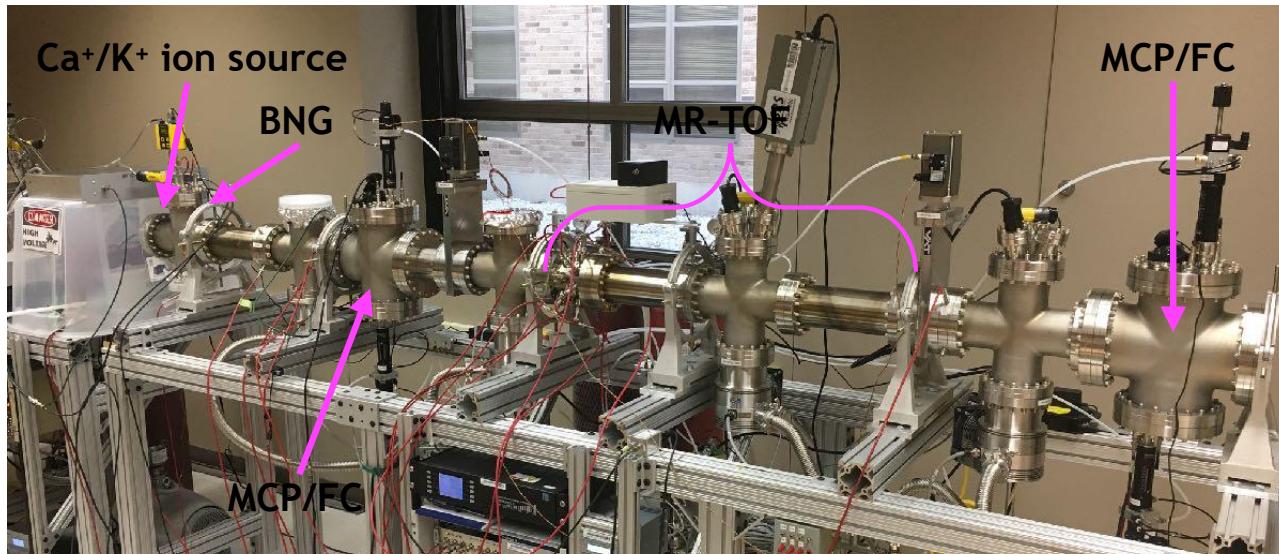


- Separated cooling and bunching sections, simplified electrode construction, optimized injection optics
- Design used for NSCL EBIT Cooler-Buncher

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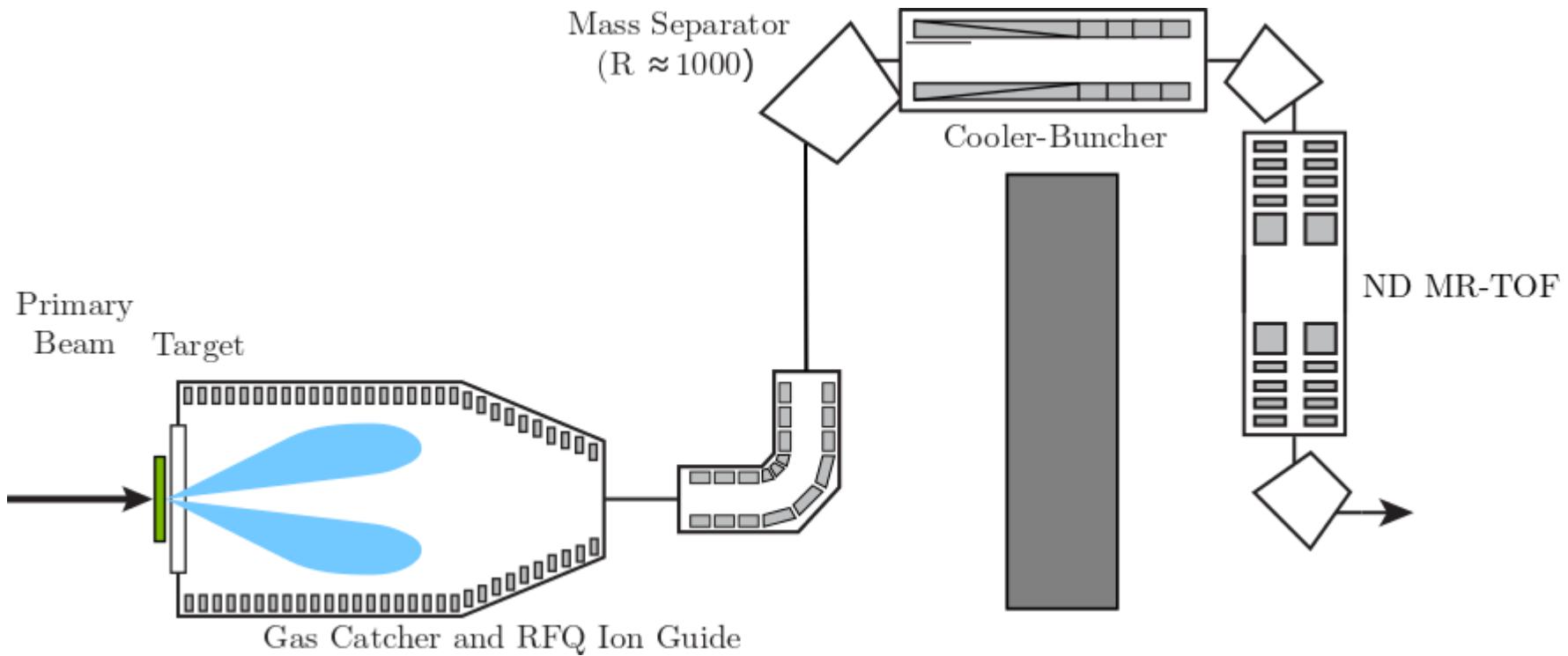
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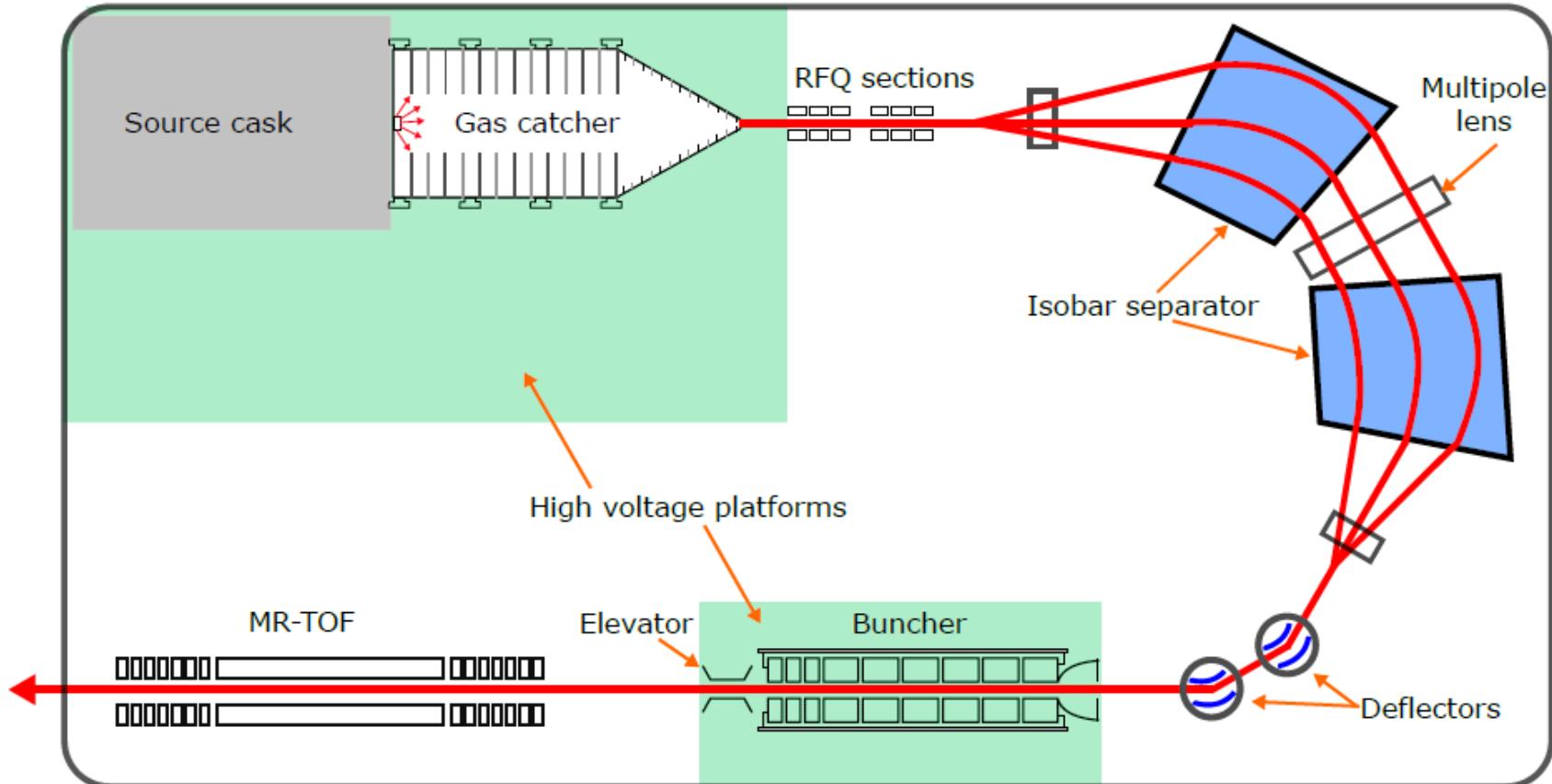
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- Mass Resolution in  $M/\Delta M > 10^5$
- Deliver isotopically pure beams to experiments

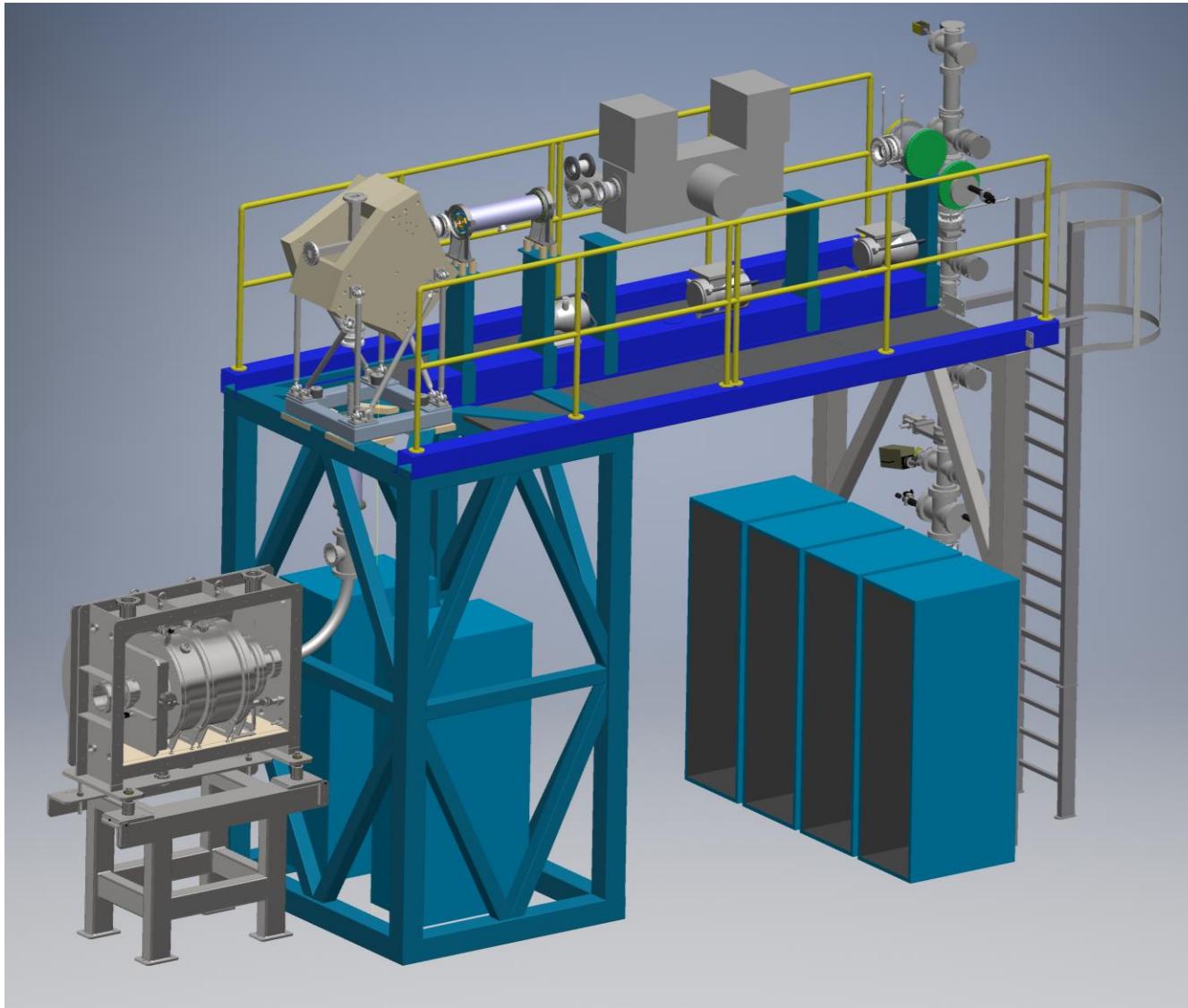


# CARIBU FACILITY



R. Orford. McGill University, PhD thesis, 2018

# N=126 OVERVIEW

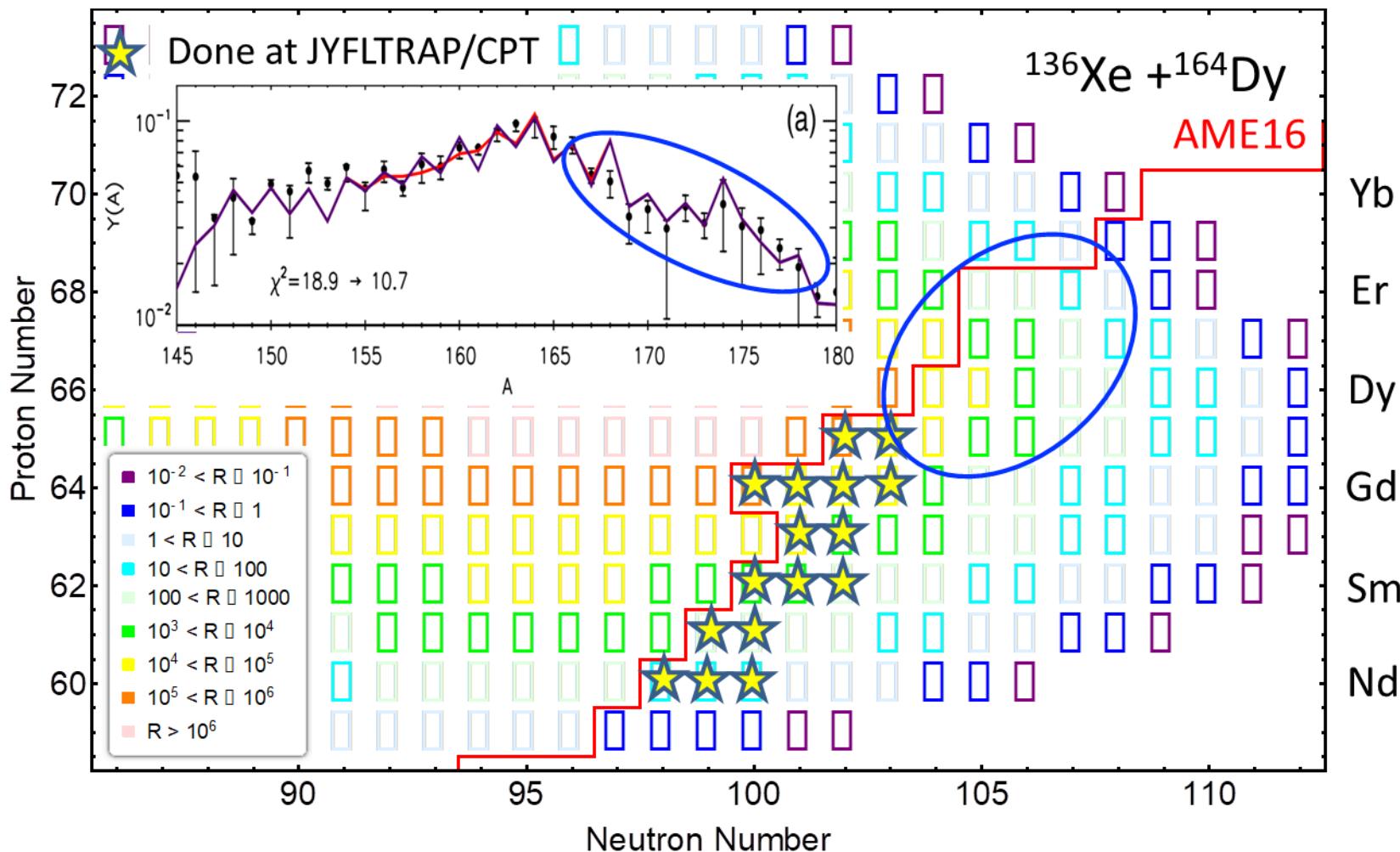


# EXPERIMENTS

- Mass measurements using the CPT
  - PI-ICR offers access to low rate isotopes
  - D. Ray's talk yesterday
- Decay Spectroscopy using X-array



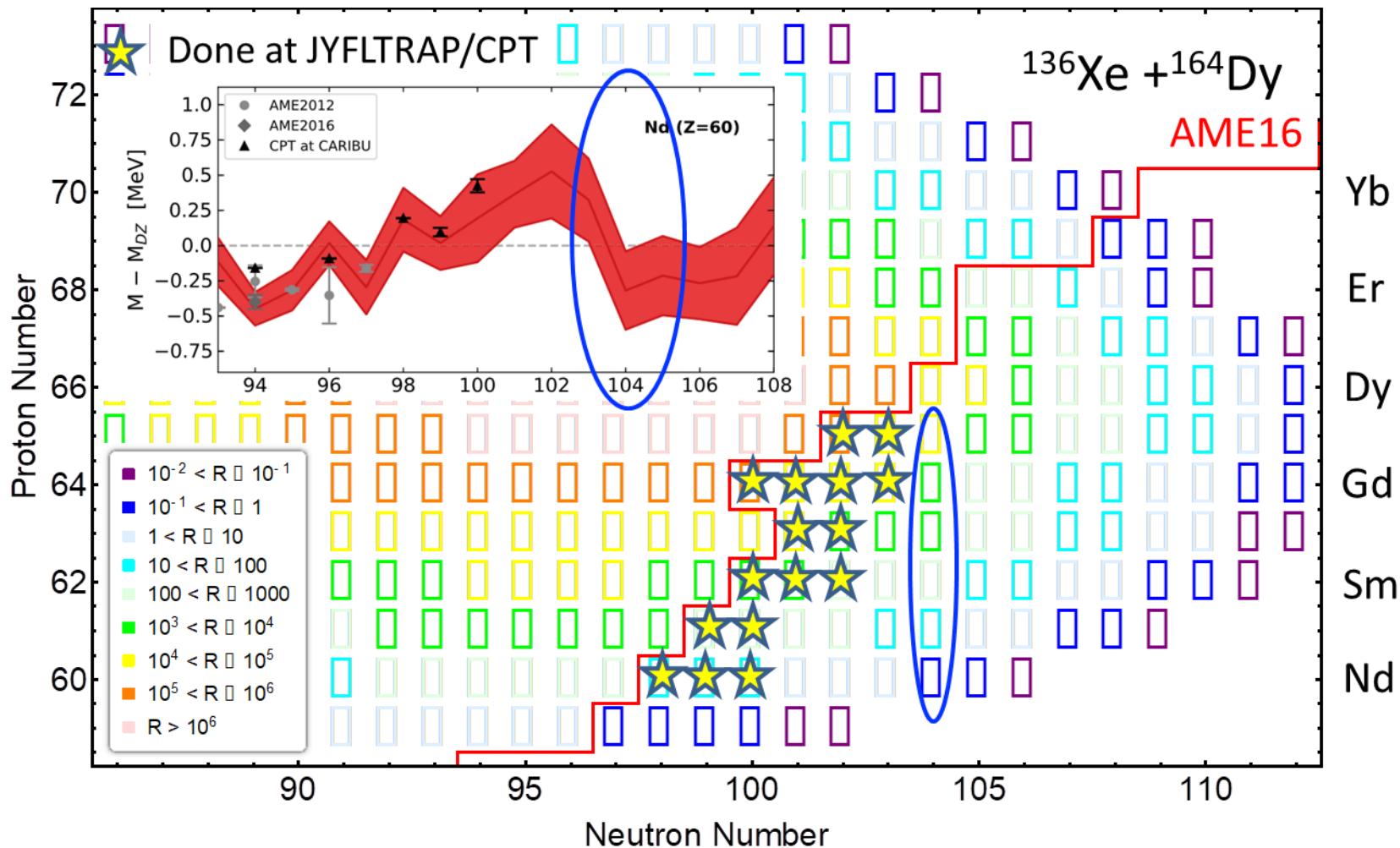
# N=126: RARE EARTH PEAK



M. Vilen et al., PRL 120, 262701 (2018)

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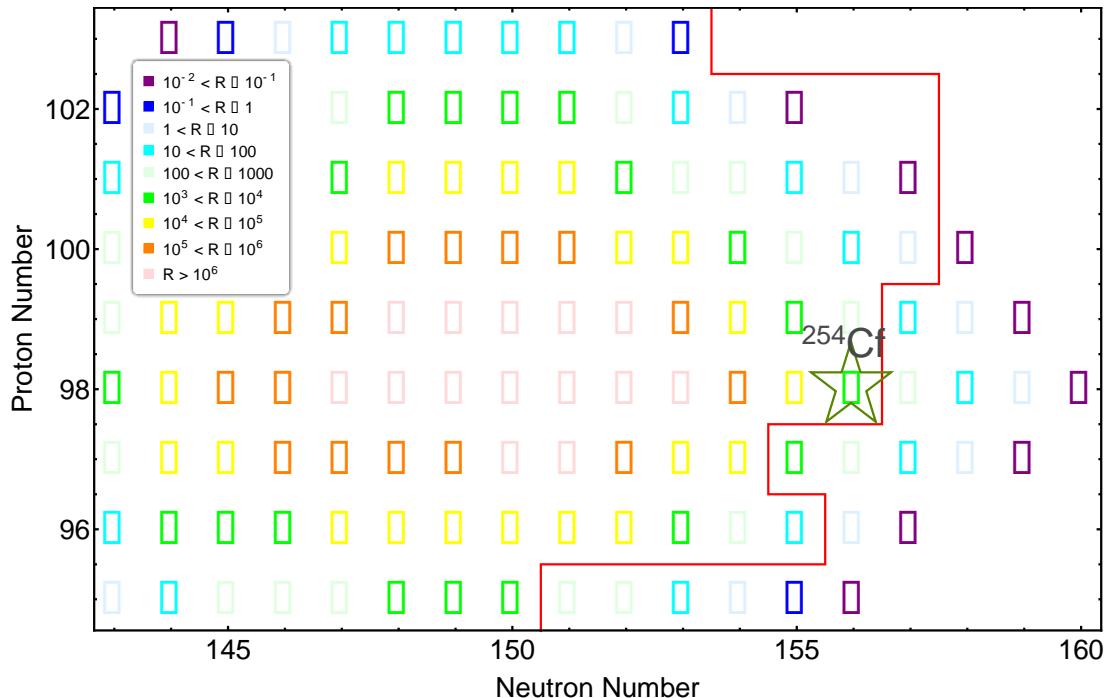


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# N=126: VERY HEAVY NUCLEI

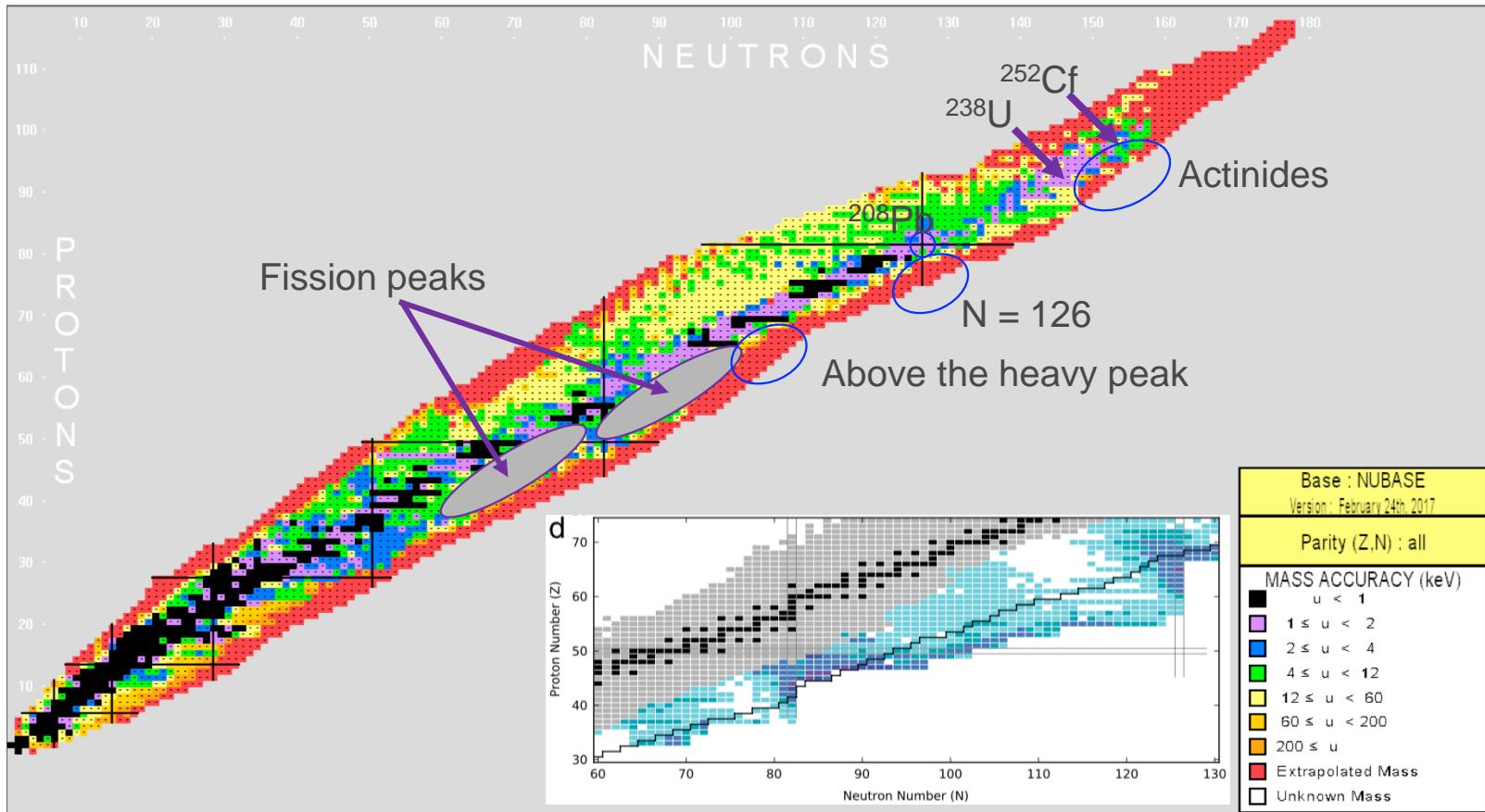
$^{136}\text{Xe} + ^{251}\text{Cf}$  (50 mCi)



$^{238}\text{U} + ^{248}\text{Cm}$   
for very n-rich  $Z \sim 100$

# N=126 FACTORY REACH

What regions can it cover for the r-process?



→ longer term, insight into fissionability of heaviest neutron-rich nuclei

# CONCLUSION

- Nuclear physics inputs needed to better understand astrophysical *r* process
  - Large ongoing project at ATLAS/CARIBU for measurements on N=82 and rare-earth peak regions.
  - Next step is the N=126 abundance peak
- Atomic masses are the most important nuclear data input for r-process abundance calculations; PI-ICR at the CPT means they can be measured with very low yield.
- The N = 126 beam factory aim to produce nuclei of importance for the r-process that are difficult to access: N = 126 shell, above fission peaks, and actinides.
- Beam factory gas catcher, isobar separator, cooler-buncher and MR-TOF are under assembly or commissioning.
- The N=126 factory can do a lot more than N=126 nuclei.

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