

# Si detectors for NUSTAR

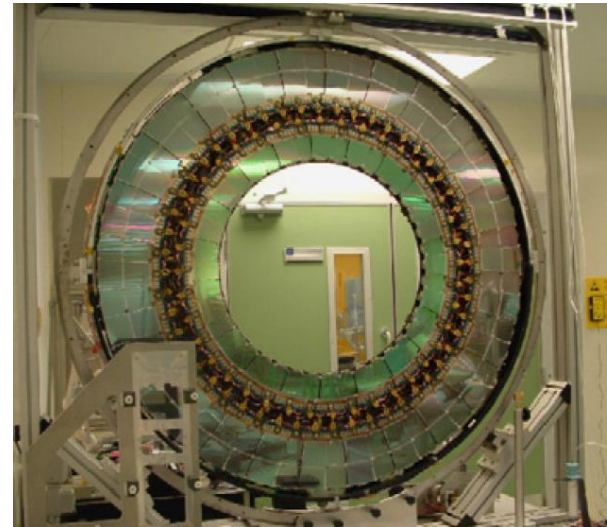
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*for EXL, R3B, HISPEC/DESPEC collaborations and  
EXPERT/SFRS project*

# Typical applications of Si detectors

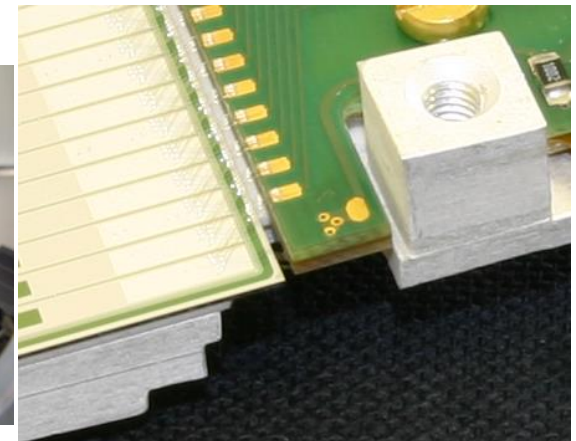
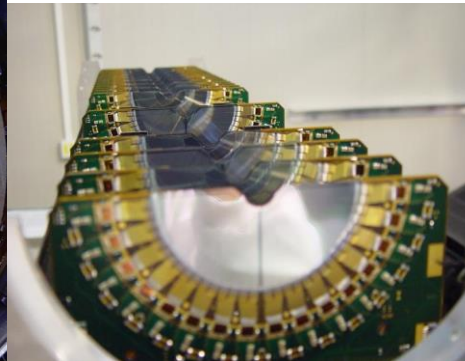
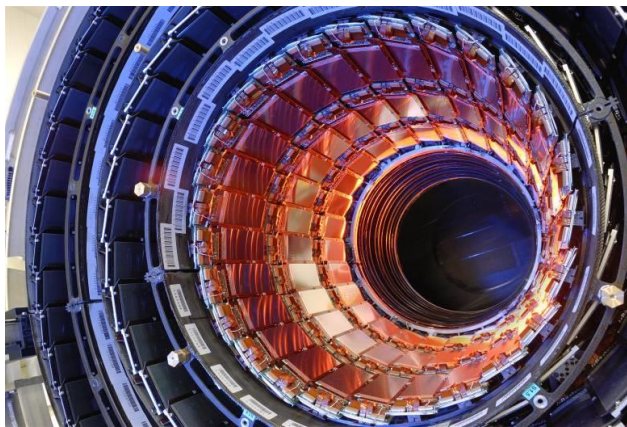
- Energy loss measurements.  
Range - from  $\gamma$ -particles/photons to heavy ions.  
In connection to a charge sensitive preamplifier per active strip/pad/pixel and precise (10-14 bit) ADC.
- Position measurements. Also widely used, same range.  
In connection to a charge sensitive preamplifier per active strip/pad/pixel and less precise (4-8 bit) ADC.
- Time measurements.  
Less used application,  
for charged particles from protons to heavy ions.  
In connection to a current amplifier per active strip/pad and a fast digitizer or a precise TDC.



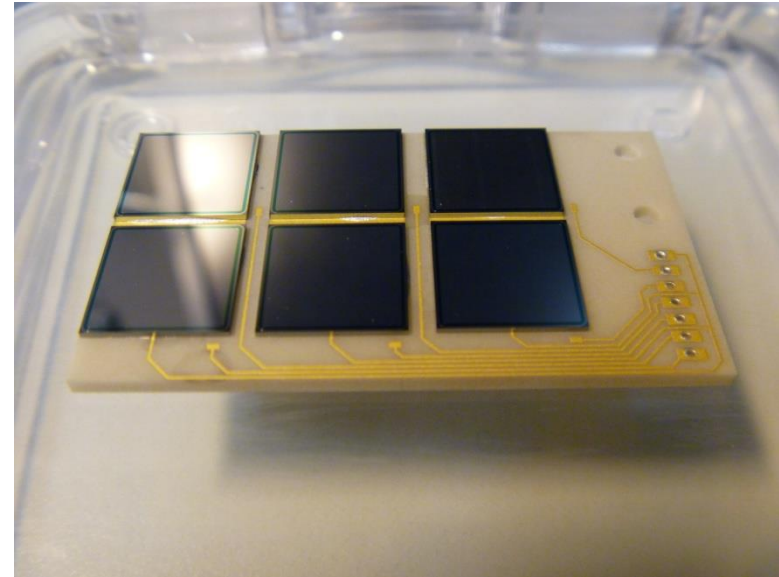
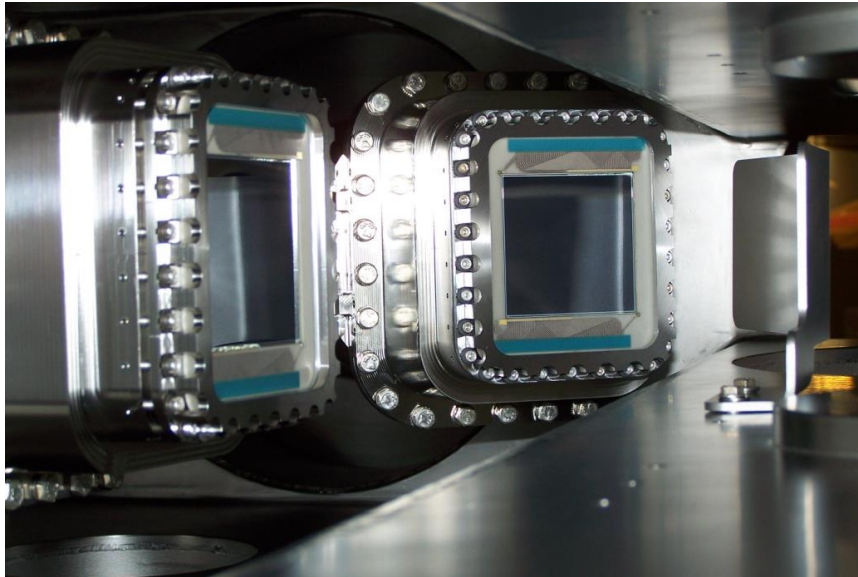
# Si trackers in High Energy Physics

- FNAL. D0 & CDF
- BNL. STAR & PHENIX
- LHC. CMS, ATLAS, LHCb, ALICE
- AMS + other astrophysical experiments

*Driving force of almost all Si detector developments*



# “Special” application of Si detectors in nuclear physics

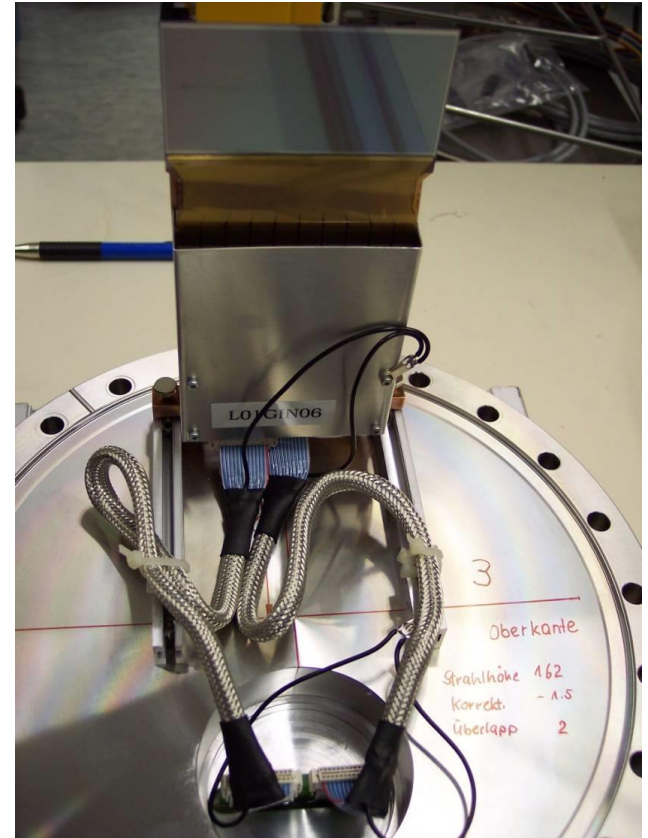


- Less precise position measurement – 0.1 - 1 mm instead of 10 – 50  $\mu\text{m}$
- Precise energy loss measurement – up to 0.5%
- Much higher dynamic range – up to 1000 MIPs
- Less event rate
- Time measurement

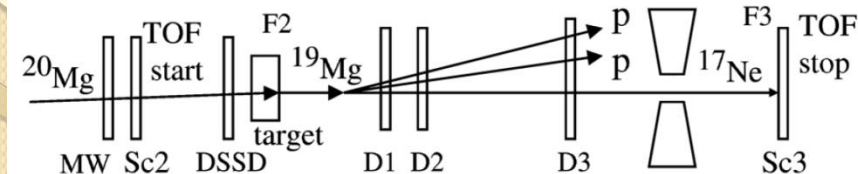


# Si microstrip detectors for tracking of the fast ions and protons

- DSSDs, area 28 cm<sup>2</sup>, 300  $\mu$ m, 100  $\mu$ m strip pitch
- Energy resolution  $\sim$  1%
- Dynamic range – from p to Fe
- Very low energy dissipation of FE electronics (VAHDR9 ASICs, IDEAS)  
- work in vacuum without active cooling
- 1024 channels, multiplexed readout
- **Position resolution  $\sim$ 40  $\mu$ m for protons,  $\sim$ 15  $\mu$ m for ions**



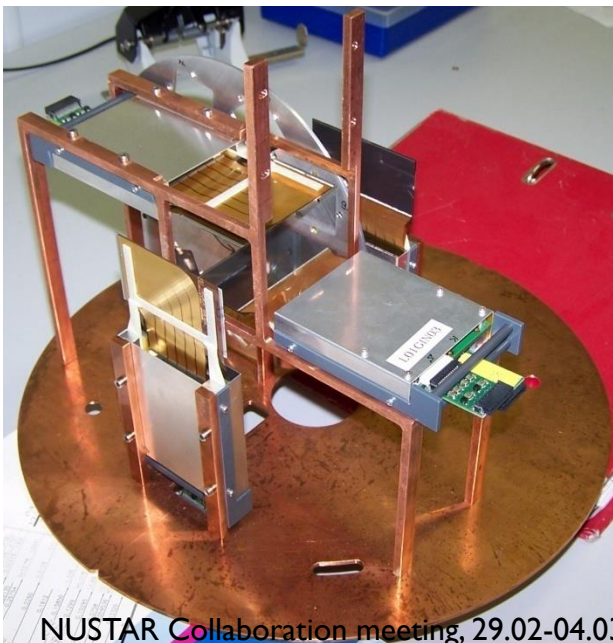
# Precise tracking + spectroscopy



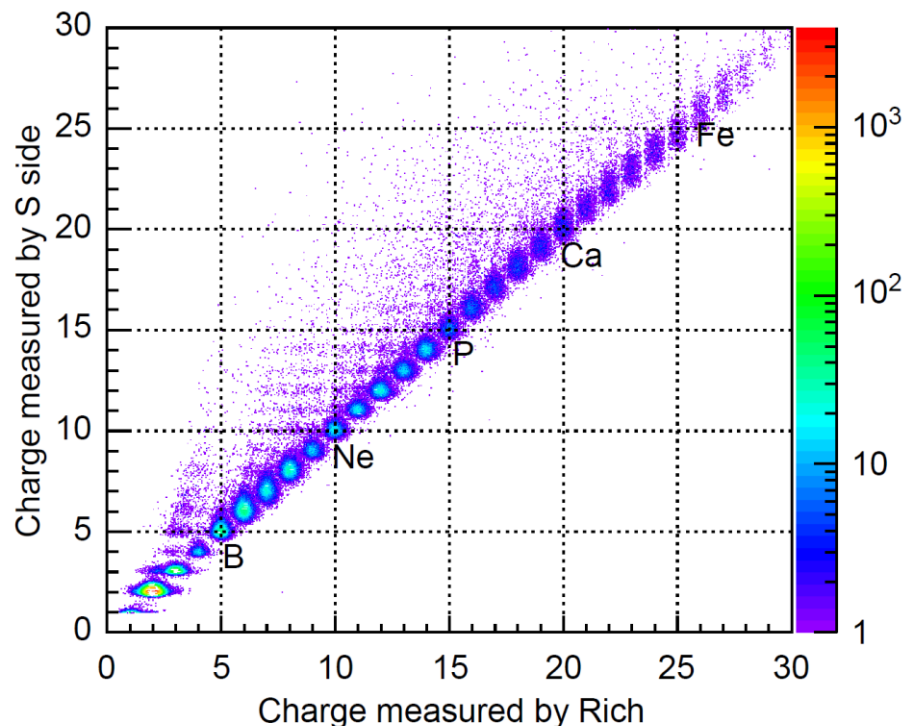
S271, S388 experiments at FRS,  
tracking of ions + protons

I. Mukha et al., PRL 99, 182501 (2007)

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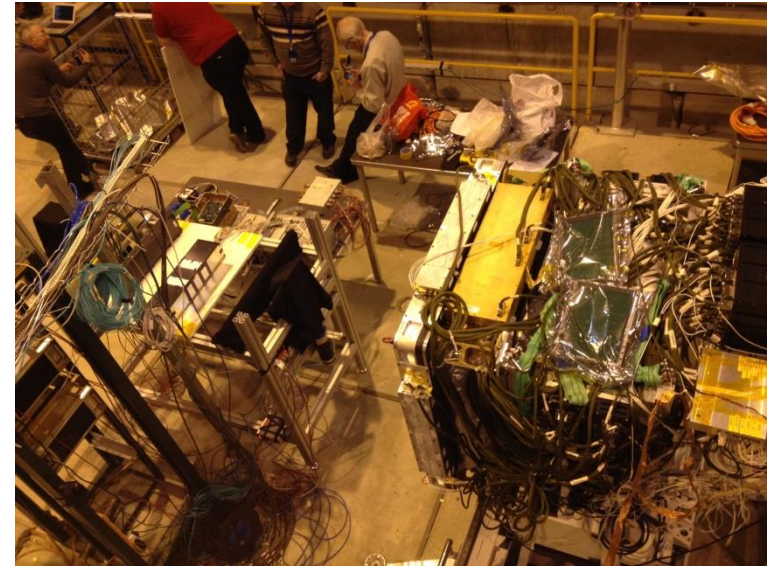
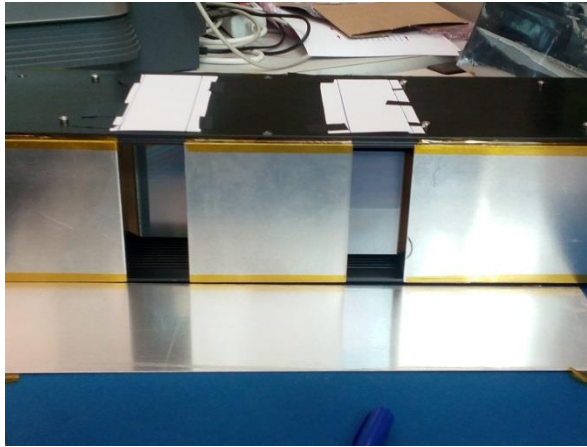
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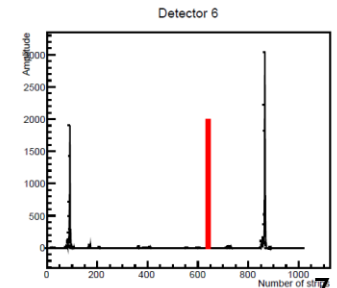
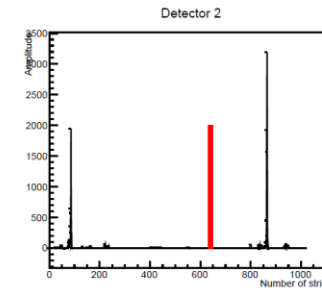
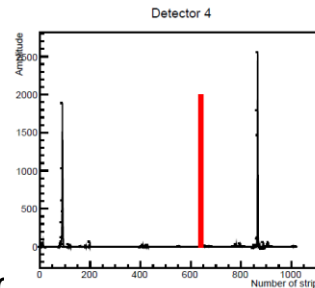
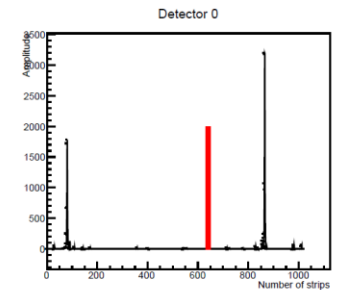
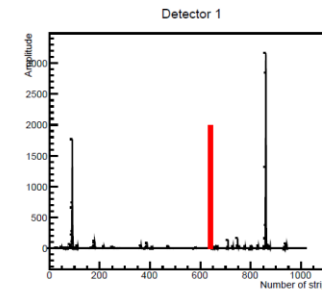
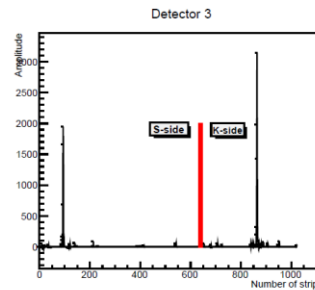
Si – RICH correlation (AMS data)

- C, P, Ne + p tracking and identification
- **Key to success** of 2p-radioactivity and QFS experiments

# System test with fast protons and ions at CERN



- Together with DAMPE collaboration
- Protons and  $^{40}\text{Ar}$  @ 30 GeV/c
- 6 DSSDs measured at once
- Test of the tracking algorithms

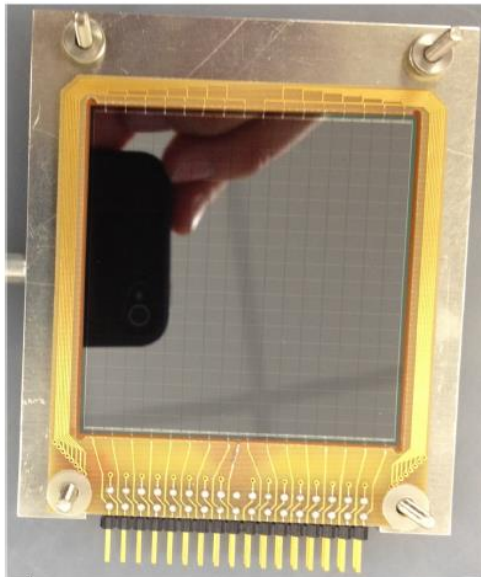




# R3B - standard detectors for heavy-ion tracking

## X1

- 5 x 5 cm<sup>2</sup>
  - 140/300 um thick
  - 16 strips on the front, read out on both ends (position)
  - Cathode on the back
- => 33 channels each

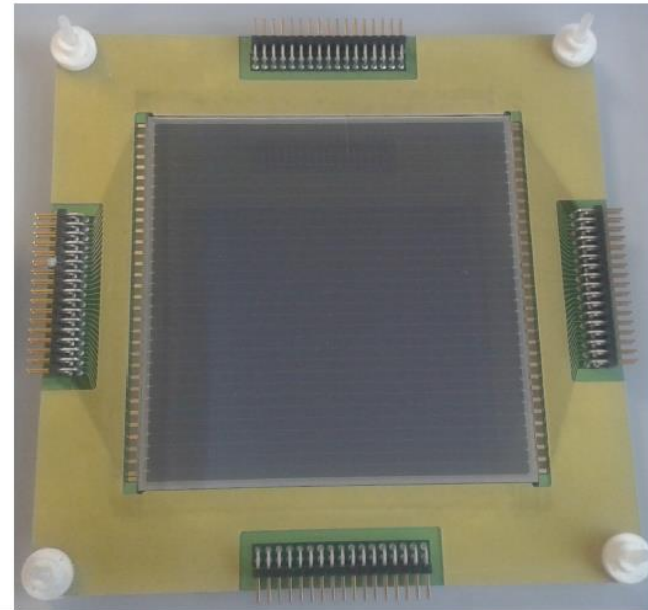


## X5.1

- 10 x 10 cm<sup>2</sup>
  - 200 um thick
  - 32 strips on the front and the back, read out on both ends (position)
- => 128 channels

## X5.2

- 10 x 10 cm<sup>2</sup>
  - 200 um thick
  - 32 strips on the front and the back, read out between the strips (position)
- => 128 channels

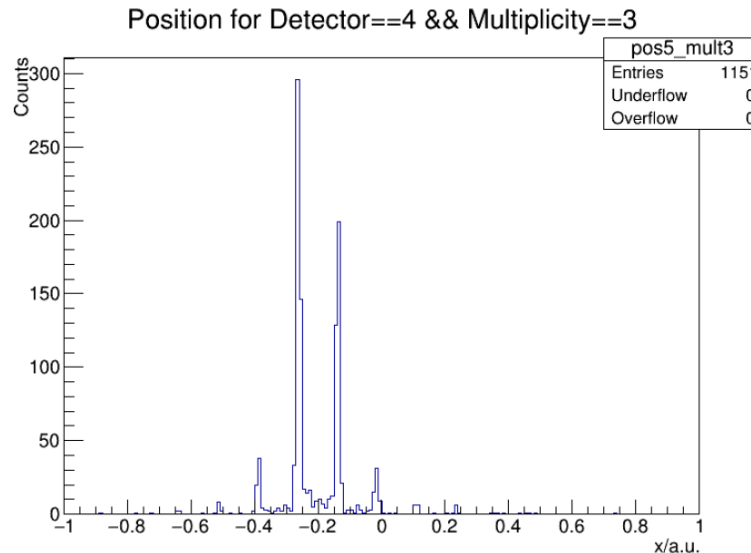


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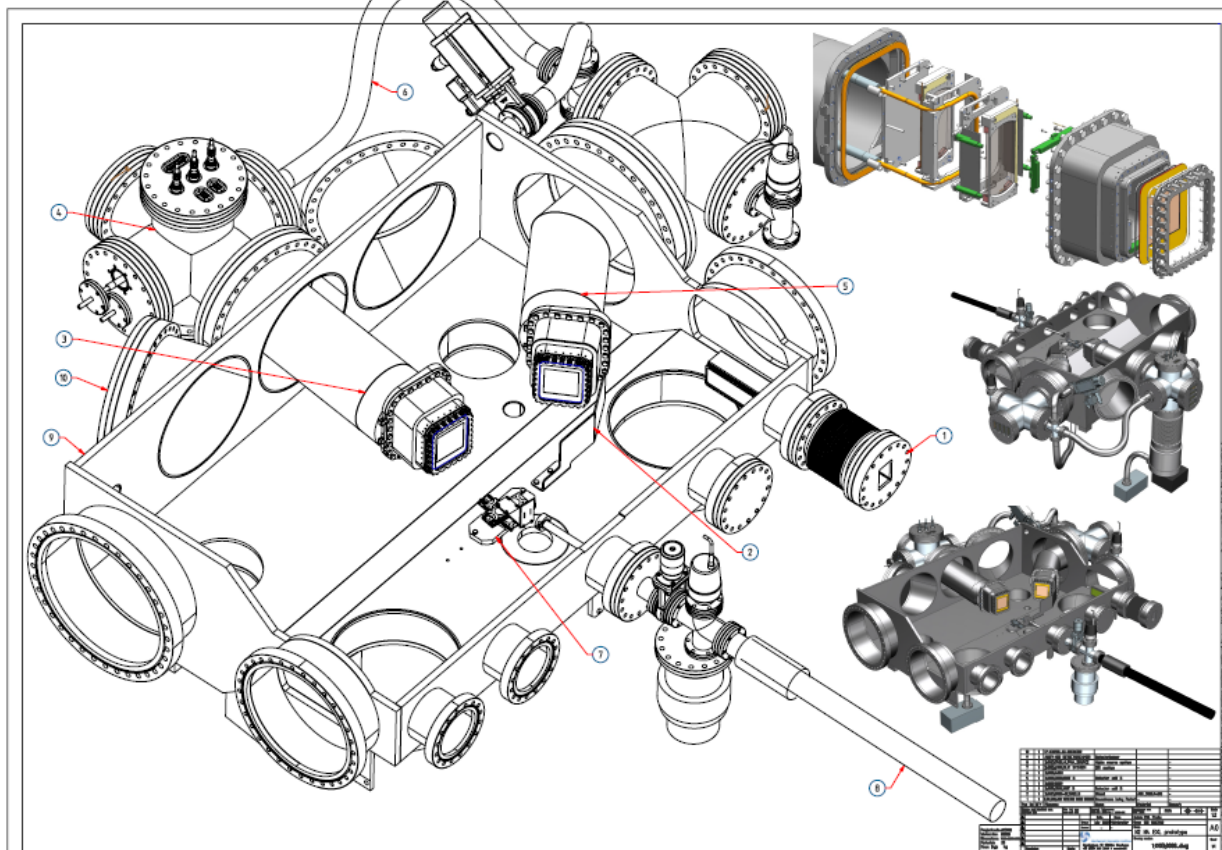
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- Mesytec preamplifiers
- FEBEX digitizers
- MBS/NDAQ readout

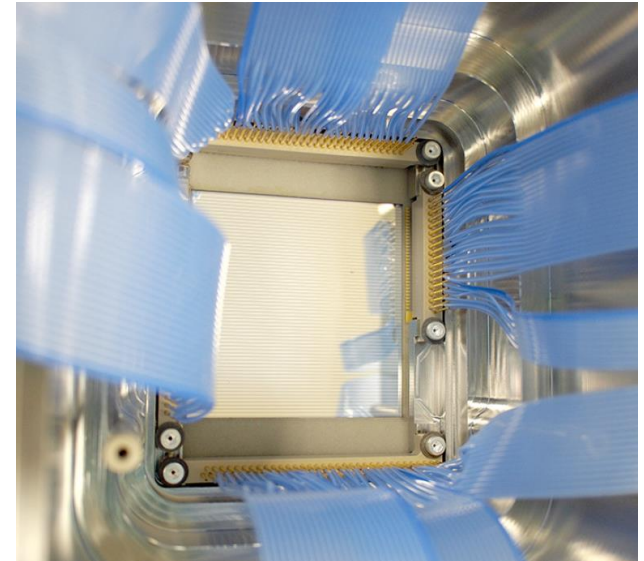
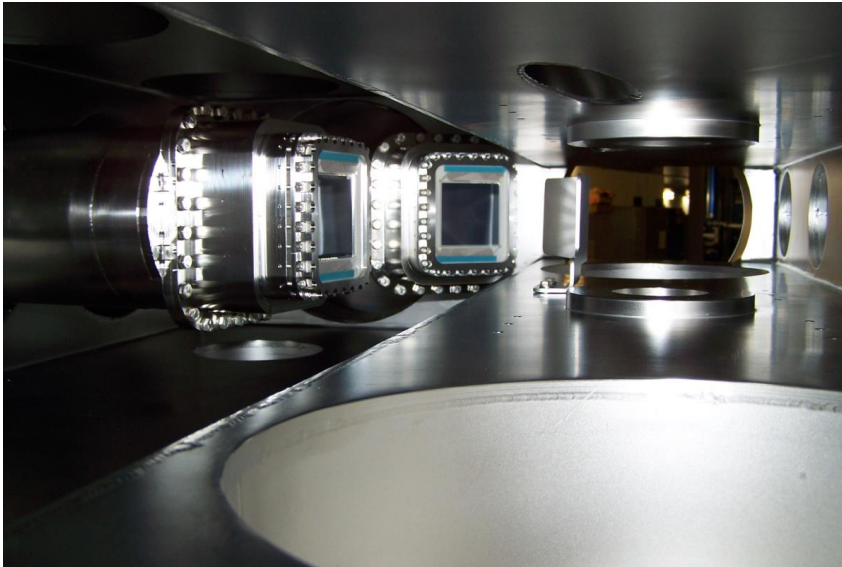
- R3BROOT environment for unpacking/analysis
- FEBEX Multihit Readout implemented
- **System check – beam test in June 2016**

# Tracking and spectroscopy for the storage ring experiments



- R&D and first experiments within EXL@FAIR project
- Successfully used in  $^{56}\text{Ni}(p,p)$ ,  $^{58}\text{Ni}(\alpha,\alpha')$  experiment at GSI

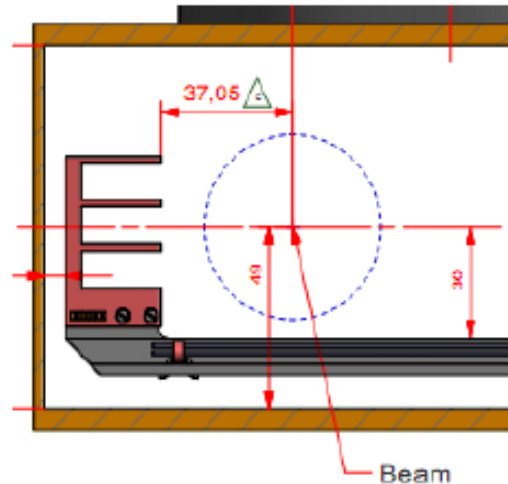
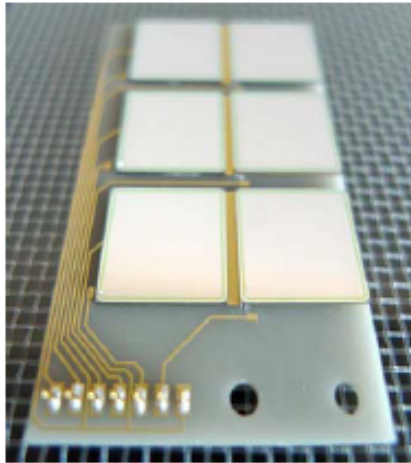
# Si detectors in UHV



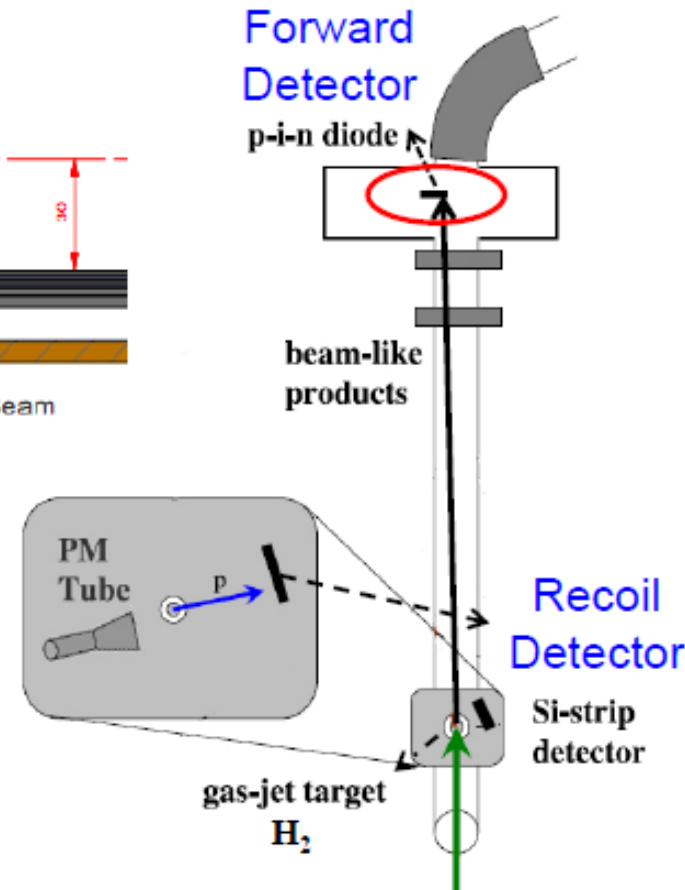
- *First experiment worldwide having Si DSSDs as a window between UHV ( $10^{-10}$  –  $10^{-11}$  mbar) and auxiliary vacuum ( $10^{-7}$  mbar)*
- *Active cooling of the Si(Li) detectors during backing of the storage ring and the experiment itself*
- *Many other technical challenges - step motors inside UHV, power-fail protected power system*
- *DSSDs with 192 strips, very thin (60 nm) entrance window, made in St. Petersburg, Russia*
- *Energy resolution – 25 keV (for 5.5 MeV  $\alpha$ -particles)*

*O. Kiselev, Physica Scripta, T166 (2015)014004*

# Tagging detector in UHV



- Forward detector before the first dipole, detection of beam like reaction products in coincidence with recoils.
- 6 PIN diodes ( $1 \times 1 \text{ cm}^2$ ) on AlN PCB, directly in the UHV
- Small dead edge, could be very close to the beam
- Baked at  $250^\circ \text{ C}$



*M. Mutterer, Physica Scripta, T166 (2015)014053*

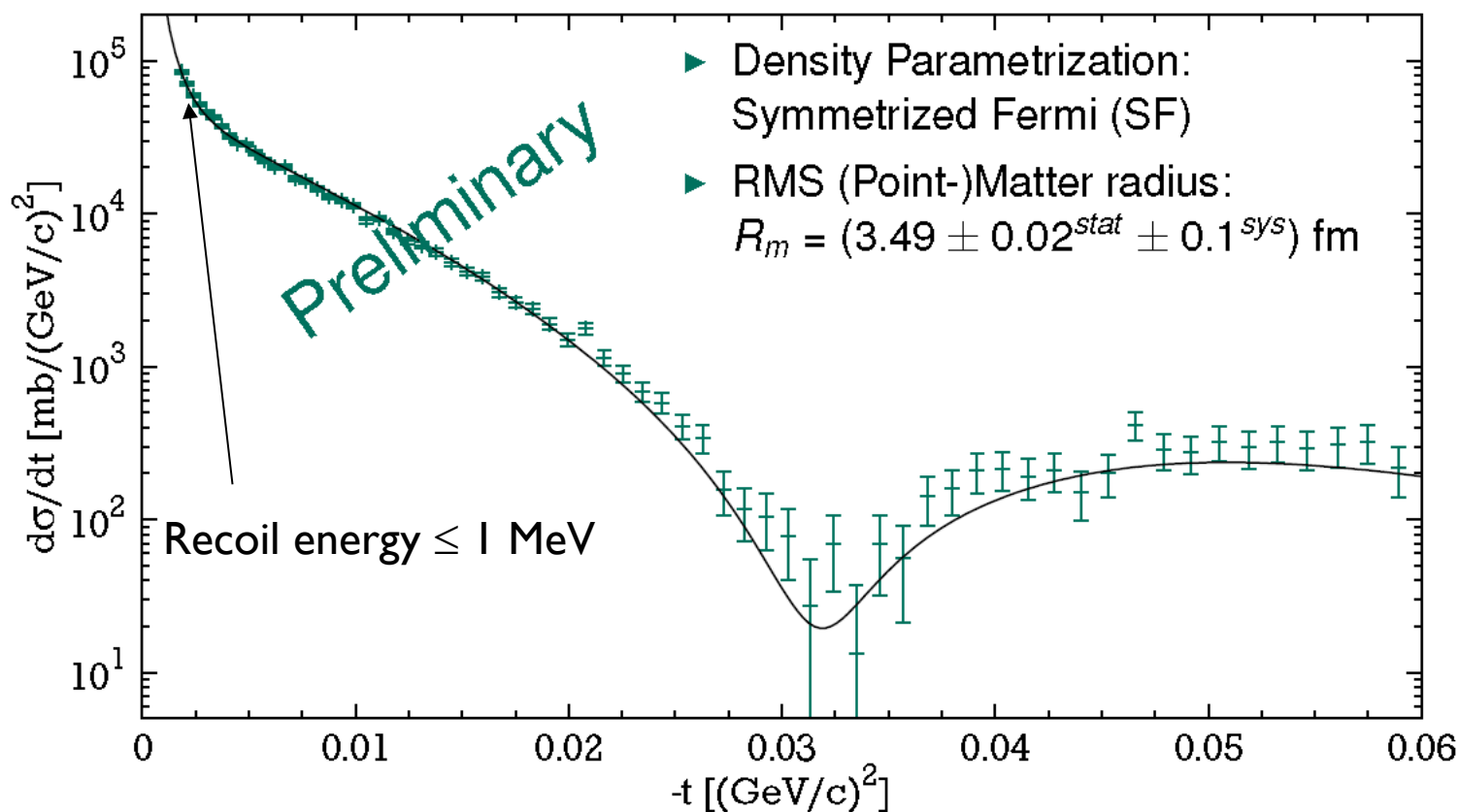


# Elastic cross section measured with a help of Si detectors

Preliminary results:  $^{56}\text{Ni}(p,p)^{56}\text{Ni}$  at 400 MeV/u

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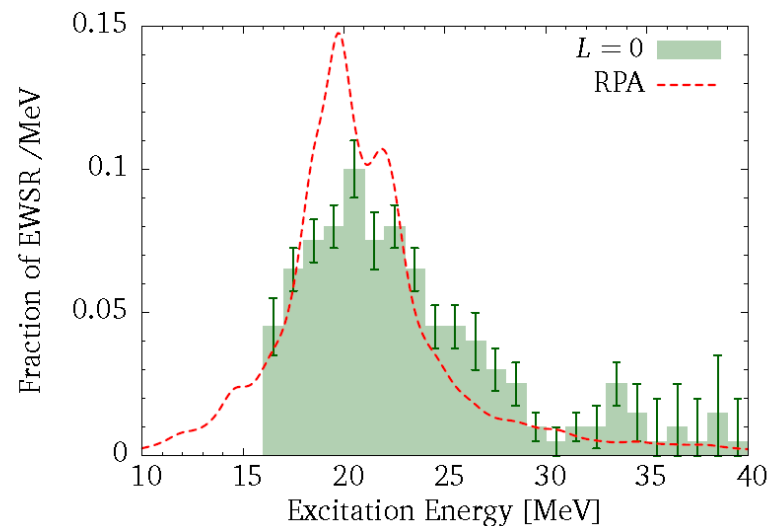
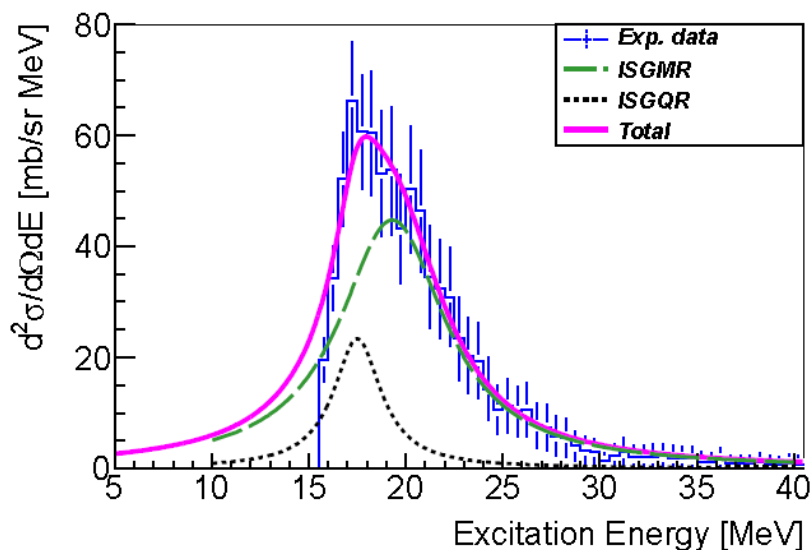
Cross section fitted with  
Glauber multiple-scattering theory



# Inelastic cross section measured with a help of Si detectors

$^{58}\text{Ni}(\alpha, \alpha')$  at 100 MeV/u, feasibility study for ISGMR

J.C. Zamora, TUD



Double-differential cross section

| Reference              | $m_1/m_0$ [MeV]                         | $\sqrt{m_3/m_1}$ [MeV]                  | Width <sub>rms</sub> [MeV]             | EWSR [%]                         |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| this work <sup>1</sup> | 21.1(5)                                 | 21.6(6)                                 | 3.0(5)                                 | 53(8)                            |
| this work <sup>2</sup> | 21.4 <sup>+0.5</sup> <sub>-0.6</sub>    | 21.9 <sup>+0.8</sup> <sub>-1.1</sub>    | 3.4 <sup>+0.5</sup> <sub>-0.6</sub>    | 79 <sup>+12</sup> <sub>-11</sub> |
| this work <sup>3</sup> | 21.5 <sup>+0.8</sup> <sub>-0.9</sub>    | 22.3(1.0)                               | 3.5(6)                                 | 106(12)                          |
| RPA                    | 20.04                                   | 21.20                                   | 3.24                                   | 109                              |
| [119]                  | 20.30 <sup>+1.69</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub> | 21.48 <sup>+3.01</sup> <sub>-0.32</sub> | 4.25 <sup>+0.69</sup> <sub>-0.23</sub> | 74 <sup>+22</sup> <sub>-12</sub> |
| [65]                   | 19.20 <sup>+0.44</sup> <sub>-0.19</sub> | 20.81 <sup>+0.90</sup> <sub>-0.28</sub> | 4.89 <sup>+1.05</sup> <sub>-0.31</sub> | 85 <sup>+13</sup> <sub>-10</sub> |
| [4]                    | 19.9 <sup>+0.7</sup> <sub>-0.8</sub>    | -                                       | -                                      | 92 <sup>+4</sup> <sub>-3</sub>   |

Fraction of the EWSR for the monopole contribution. Histogram are the coefficients of the energy bins fit. RPA calculation with the Skyrme interaction Sko'.

# Fast timing with double sided Si strip detector

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RIB-experiments after slowing down to Coulomb barrier

Ideal beam tracking detector:

- ✓ large area tracking system
- ✓ Energy resolution  $\Delta E/E < 1\%$
- ✓ Position resolution  $\sim 1$  mm
- ✓ Time resolution  $\leq 100$  ps

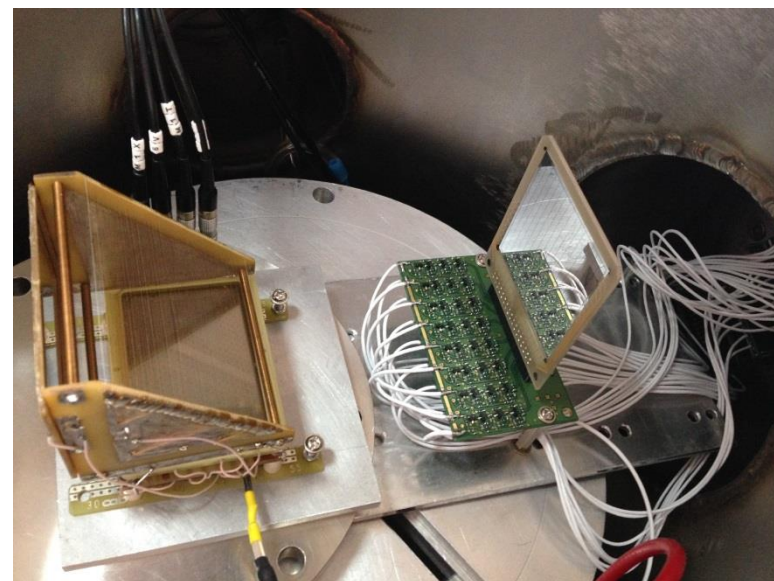
double-sided silicon-strip detectors

- active area  $50 \times 50$  mm<sup>2</sup>
- thickness  $40 \mu\text{m}$
- $16 \times 16$  strips (3.125 mm)
- manufactured by MICRON



MCP

DSSSD

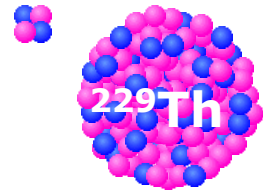


# Fast timing with double sided Si strip detector

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Energy measurement with Mesytec:

Energy resolution  $\Delta E = 300$  keV

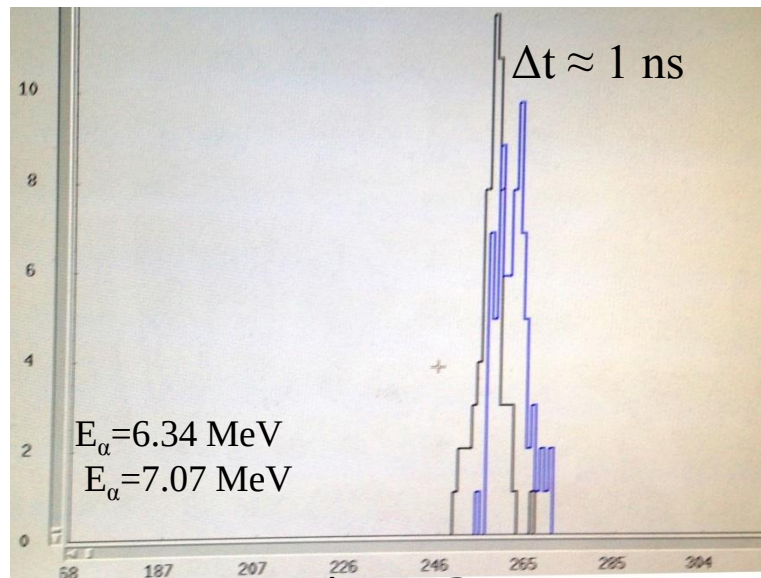


Time measurement with 16-ch. fast timing preamplifier (IUAC):

pulse height 15 mV

noise 5 mV

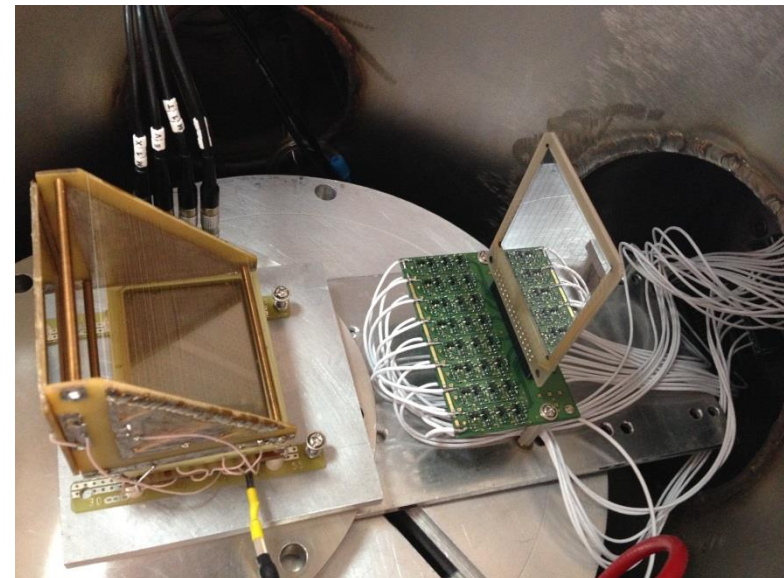
rise time 5 ns



energy gated TOF spectra:

MCP

DSSSD





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Energy measurement with Mesytec:

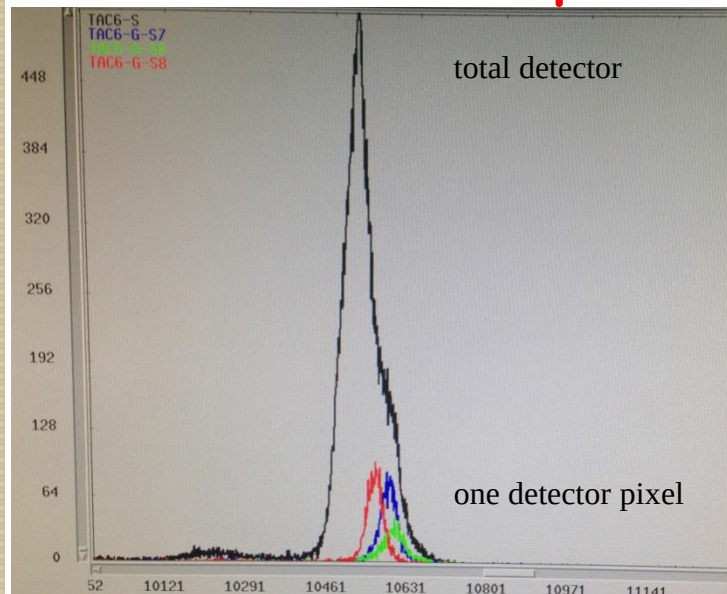
Energy resolution  $\Delta E/E = 1.5\%$

Time measurement with 16-ch. fast timing preamplifier (IUAC):

pulse height 300 mV

rise time 6.3 ns

**Time resolution 200 ps** for one of the 256 detector pixels

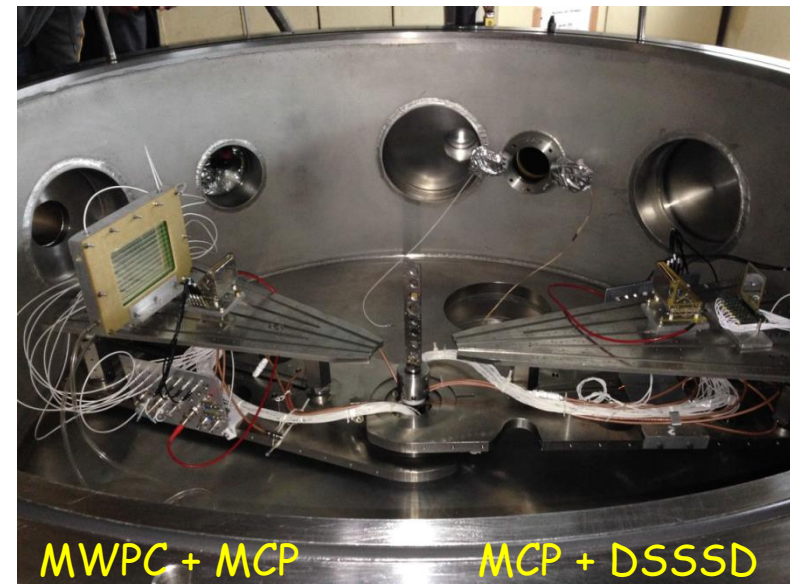


**TOF between MCP and DSSSD**

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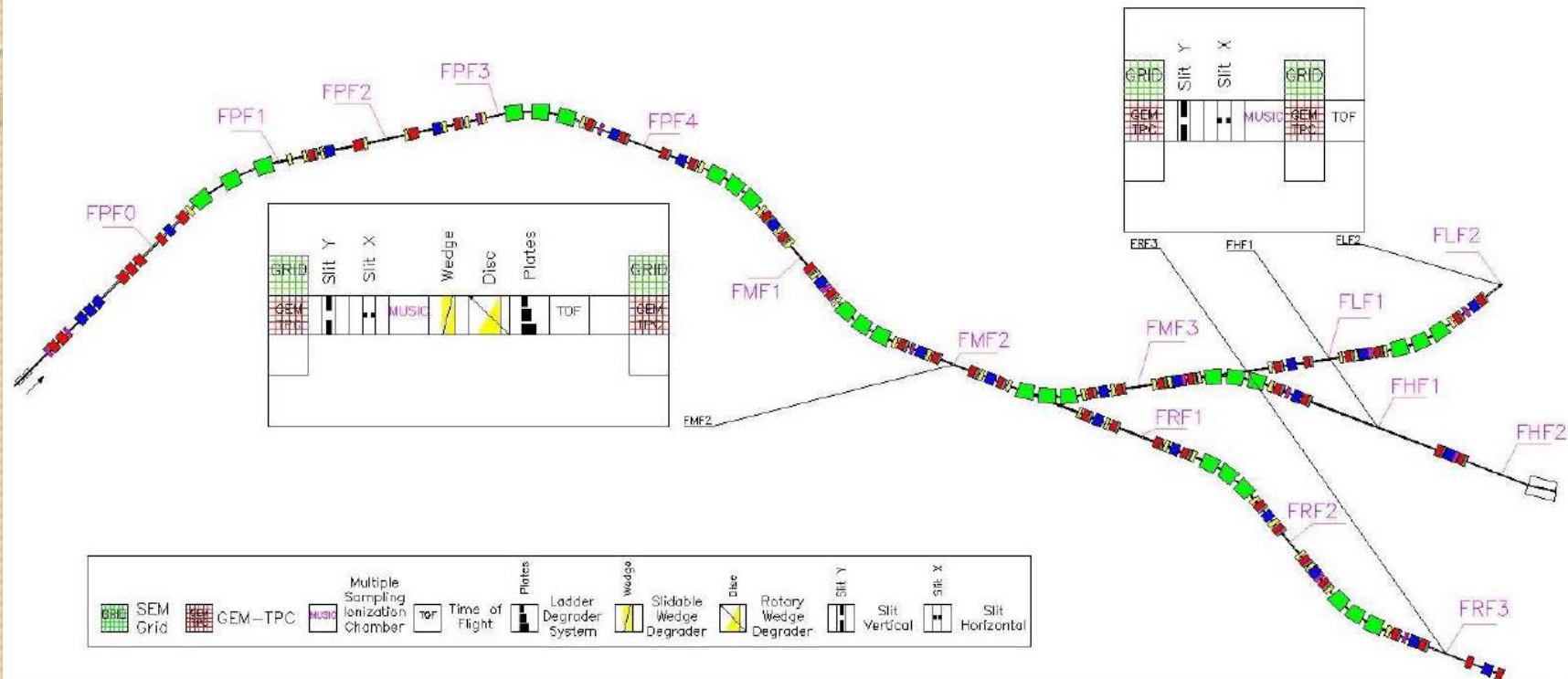
IUAC experiment :

$^{28}\text{Si} \rightarrow ^{197}\text{Au}$  (0.2mg/cm<sup>2</sup>) at 122 MeV



Courtesy of H.-J. Wollersheim

# TOF measurement with Si detectors for SFRS

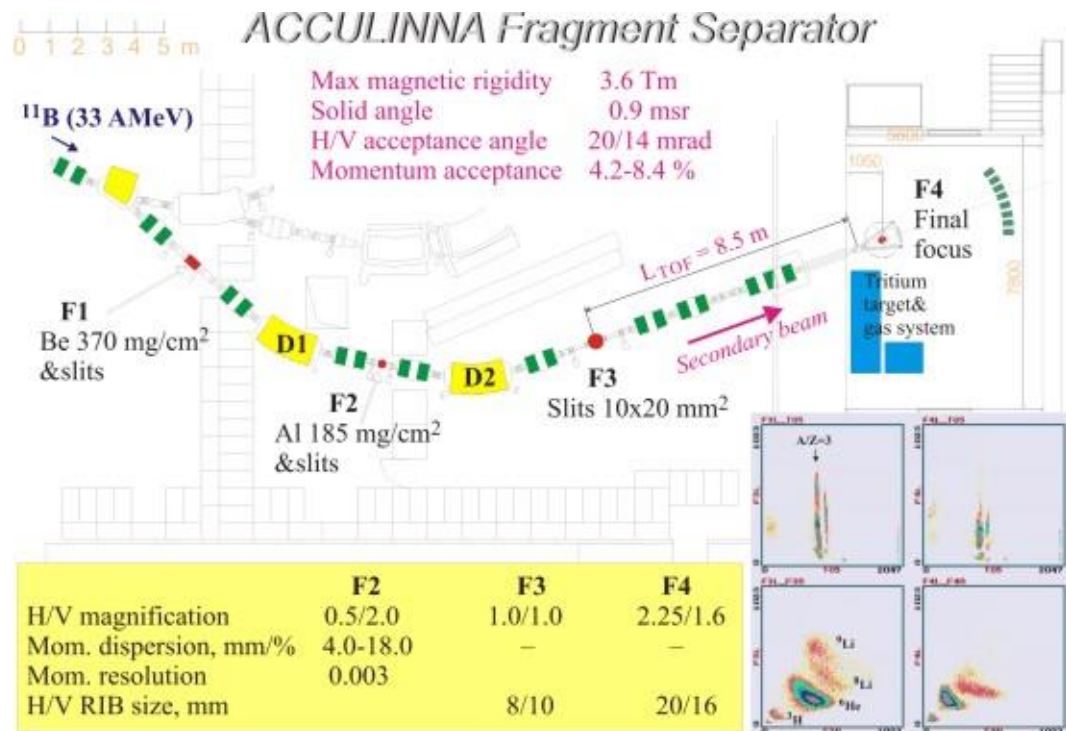


- TOF stations FMF2, FLF2, FHF1, FRF3
- Ion rate  $< 5 \times 10^4 \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ per cm}^2$
- Time resolution – 20-35 ps ( $\sigma$ )

# Beam tests in JINR

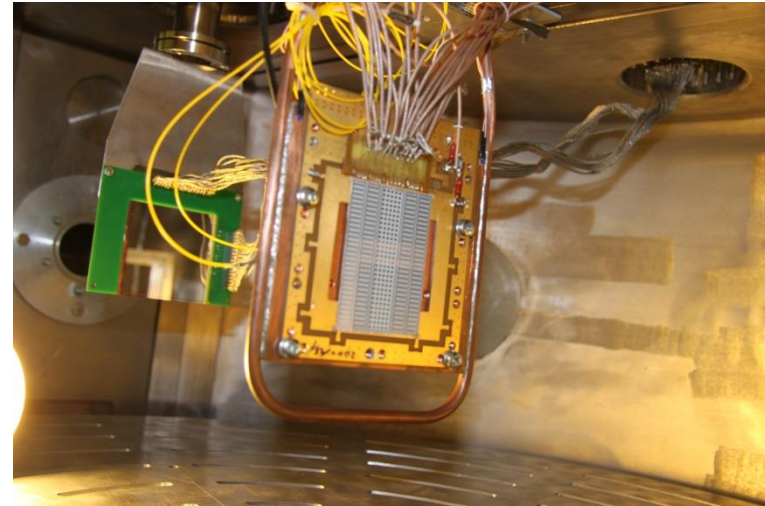
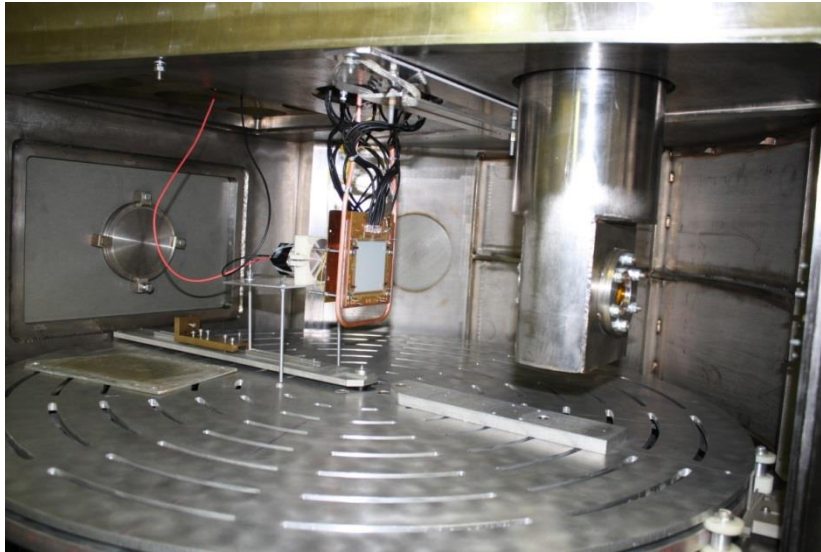
- Test of time resolution with fast electronics
- Check performance change under heavy irradiation
- Compare Si detectors with different topology

$^{40}\text{Ar}$  @ 40.5 MeV/u  
 $^{32}\text{S}$  @ 50 MeV/u  
 Intensity – up to  $2 \cdot 10^9/\text{s}$

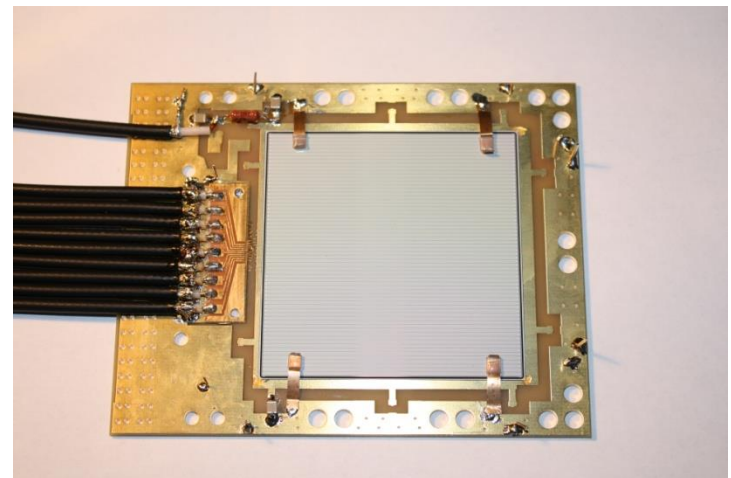




# Experimental setup at JINR

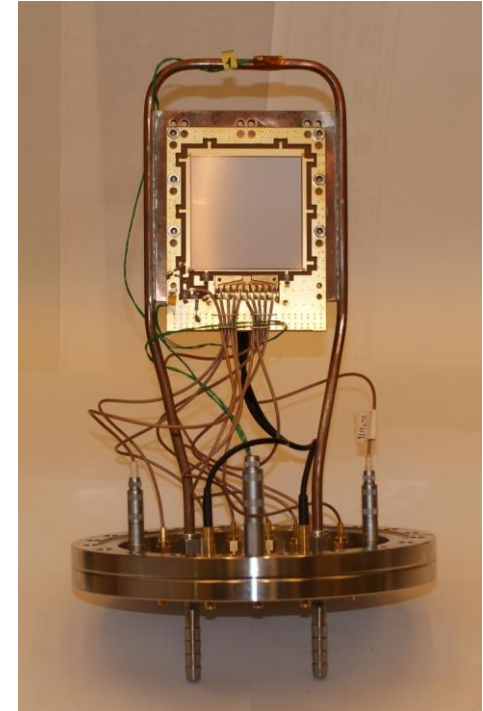
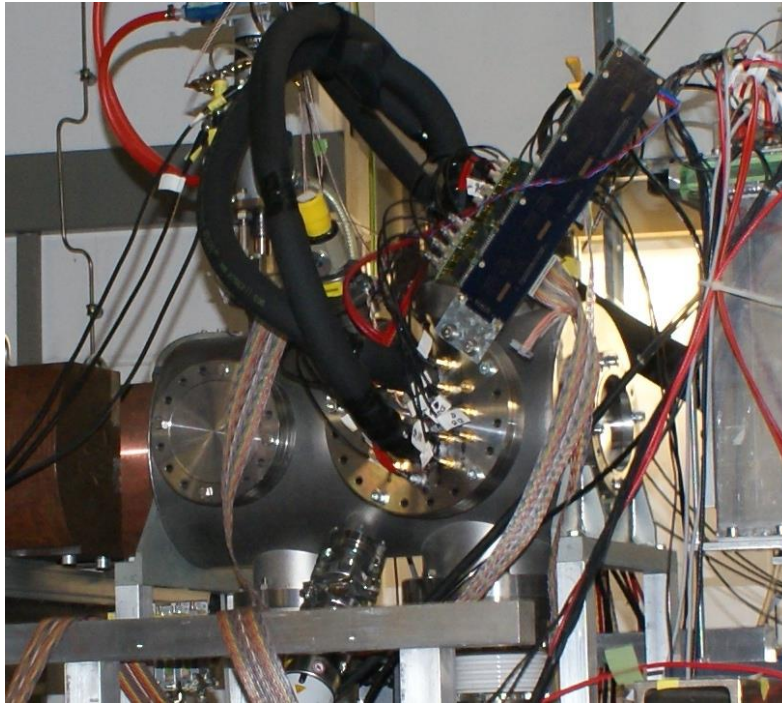


- ACCULINA fragment separator after U400 cyclotron
- Scattering chamber/final focal place F4
- Trigger scintillator + MVPC (beam tracking)
- Full-size ( $40 \text{ cm}^2$ ) Si detector tested
- Accumulated dose – up  $6 \cdot 10^{12} \text{ ions/cm}^2$   
*Si detectors made in St. Petersburg, Russia*



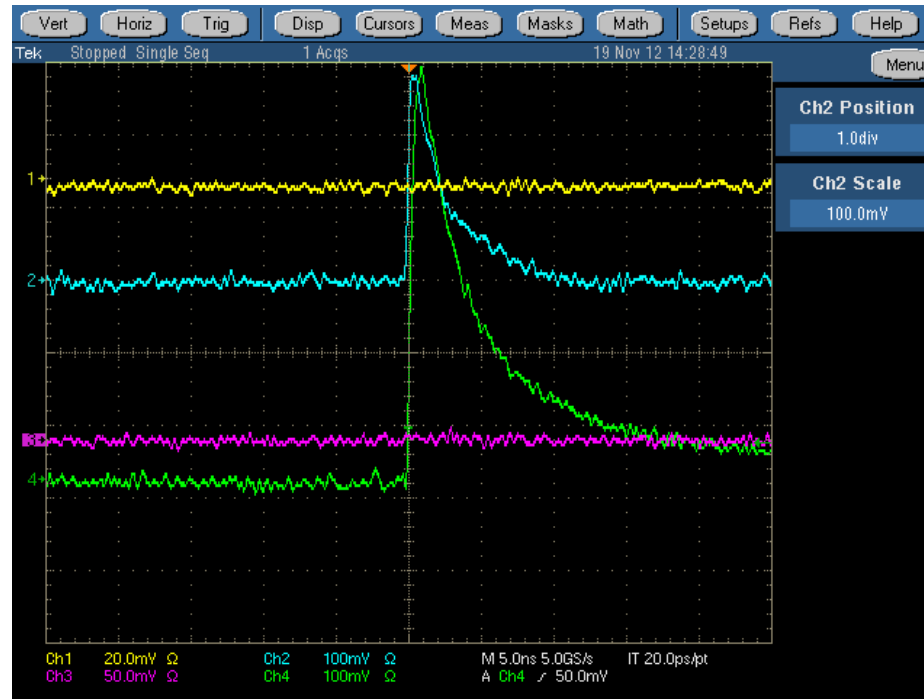


# Experimental setup at GSI



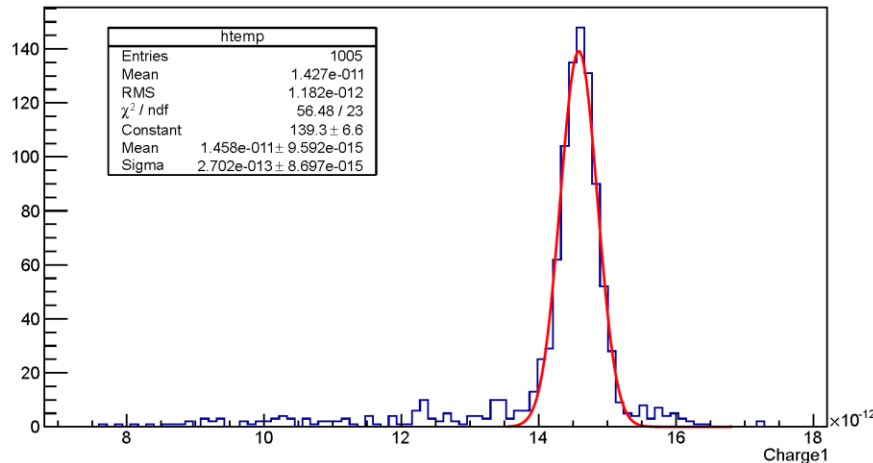
- S4 focal area of FRS
- $^{197}\text{Au}$  @ 1 GeV/u beam
- DAQ 1: Fast current amplifiers/discriminators + TDC
- DAQ 2: Waveform digitizers (3.2 Gs/s and 5 Gs/s)

# Example of the signal shapes

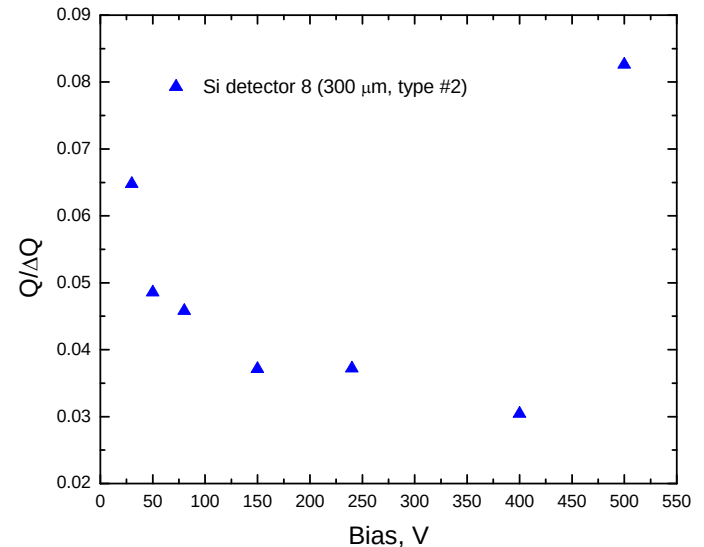


- Signals from U, Au ions can be digitized without amplification
- Digitized signals hold all information – amplitude, charge, timing
- Sampling should be very fast – 3-5 Gs/s due to a fast rise time (0.3 – 1 ns)

# Energy resolution for heavy ions



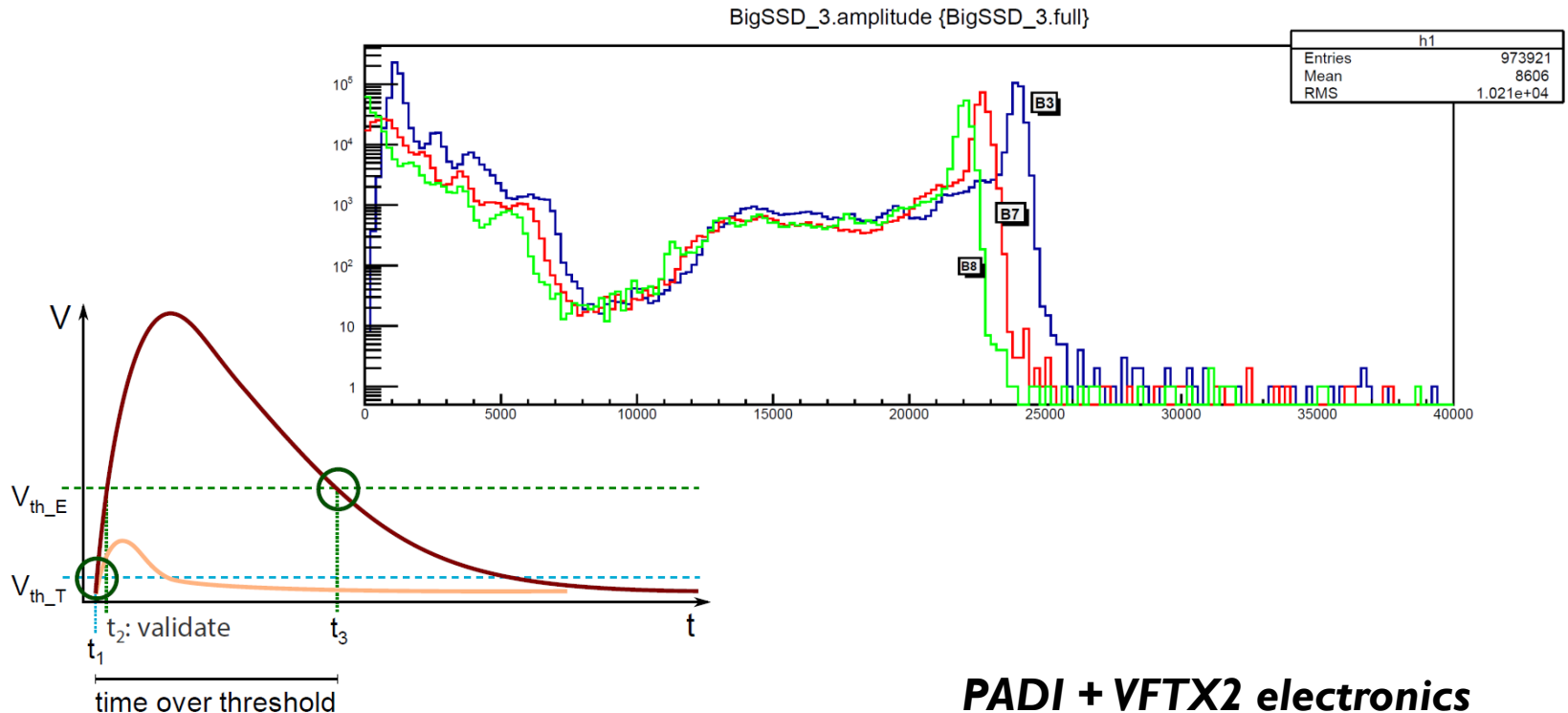
Beam -  $^{40}\text{Ar}$  @ 40.5 MeV/u  
 $\Delta E/E = 1.9\%$



Beam -  $^{197}\text{Au}$  @ 750 MeV/u  
 $\Delta E/E = 2.7\%$

- Contribution of beam itself  $\sim 0.5\%$
- Si detectors can be used for charge ID of heavy and light ions
- **But – under heavy irradiation the energy resolution degrades**

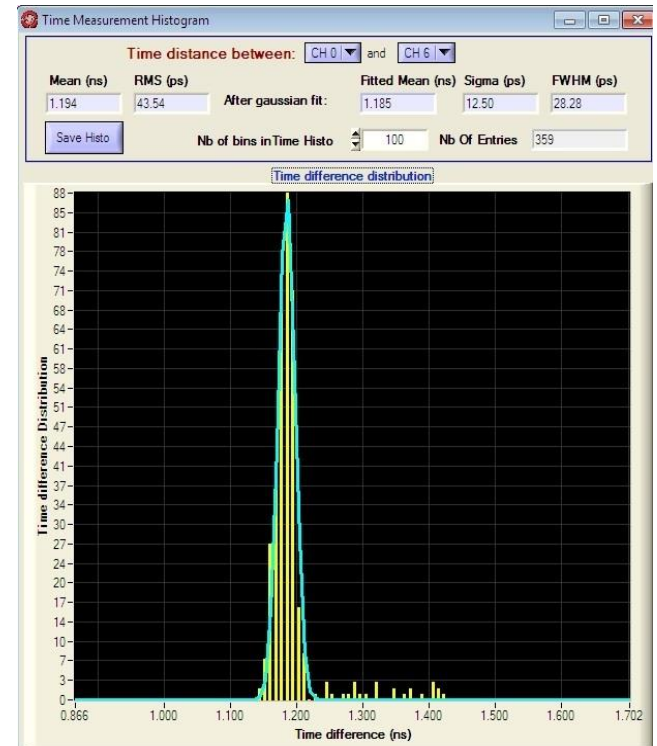
# Energy loss via Time-over-Threshold



- Indirect energy measurement, non-linear
- Direct use for a „time walk“ correction
- Resolution – 3-10%

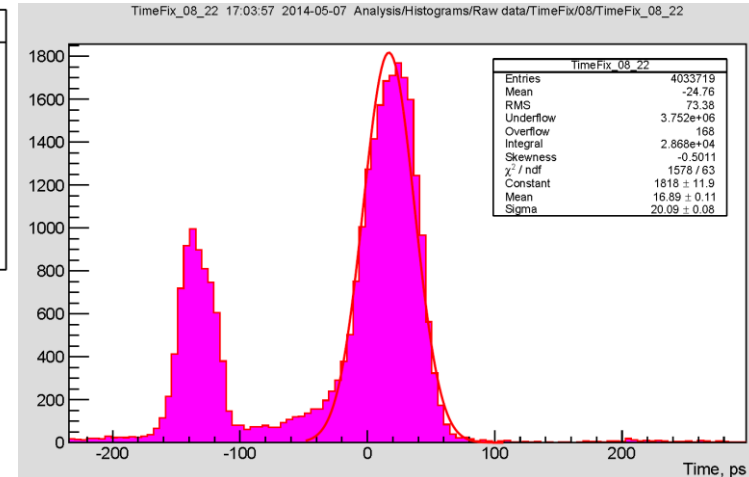
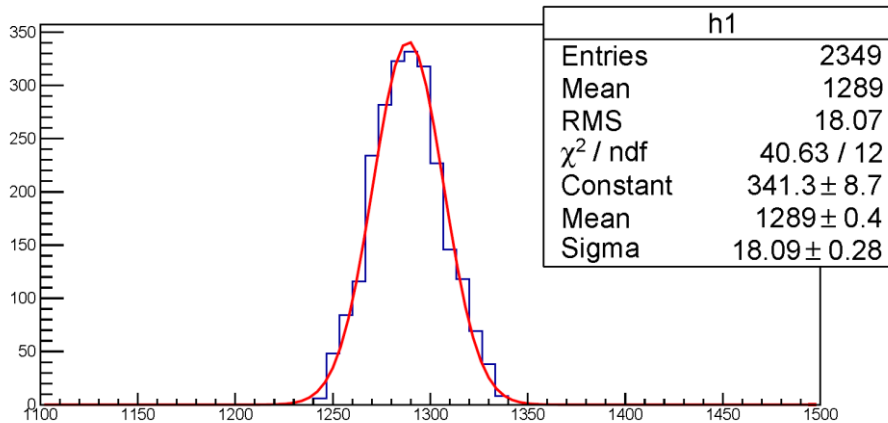


# Time resolution with the fast digitizers

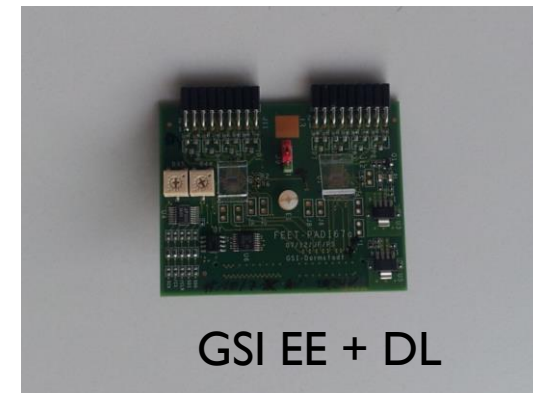


- DRS4 (PSI development) chip inside, 12 bit ADCs
- Digitised waveforms  $\Rightarrow \Delta E$  also possible
- Spline fitting, CFD method for time determination
- $\Delta T$  (TOF)  $\leq 13$  ps ( $\sigma$ )! *O. Kiselev et al., GSI Scientific Report 2014 (2015) 137*

# Time resolution with PADI preamplifier

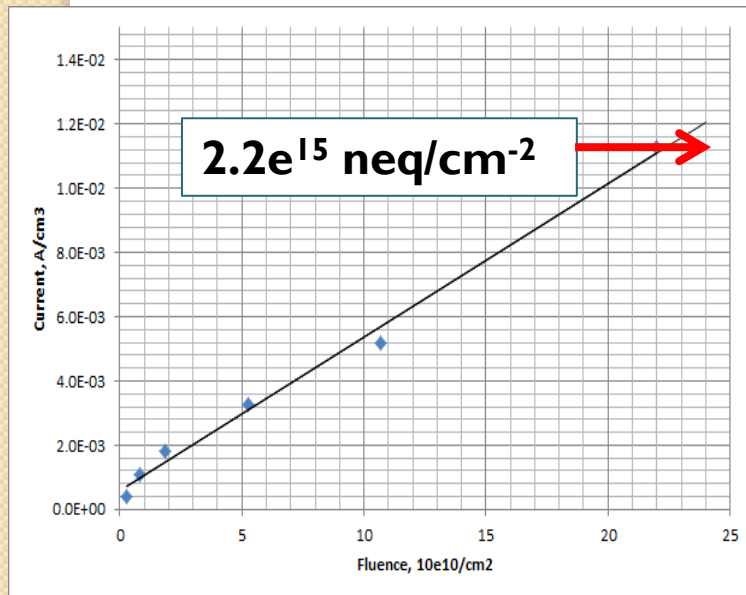


- PADI current amplifier/discriminator + VFTX2 TDC (~15 ps internal resolution, up to  $10^6$  events per channel)
- One VME module – 28 channels
- Leading edge method with amplitude correction
- $\Delta T \text{ (TOF)} \leq 25 \text{ ps } (\sigma)$
- Only possible method for high event rates

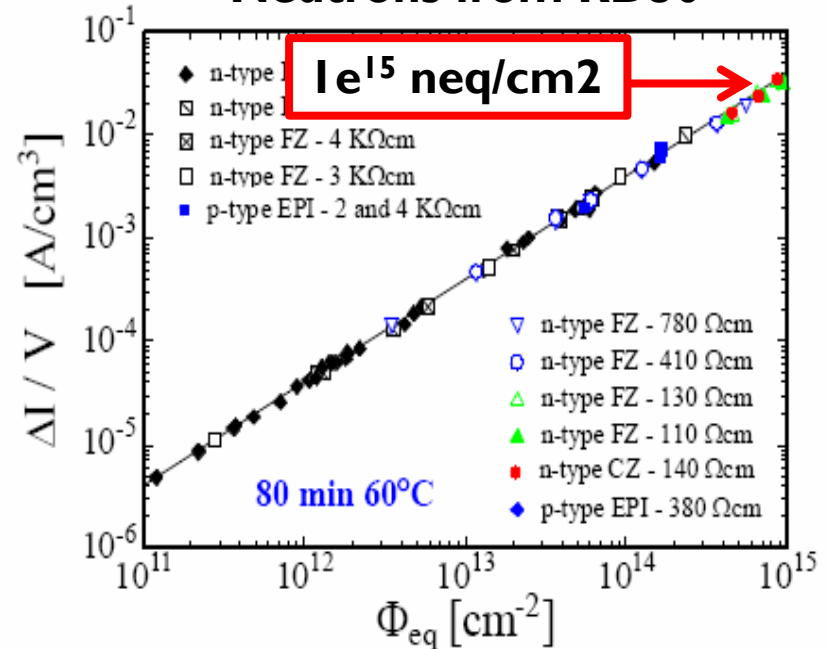


# Current generation rate in Si P-i-N detector at 300K, irradiated by Ar

Ar ions, experiment



Neutrons from RD50



300 K

$$\alpha(\text{ions}) = dI/V dF = 1.1 \times 10^{-14} \text{ A/cm}^2$$

$$\alpha(\text{neutrons}) = dI/V dF = 4 \times 10^{-17} \text{ A/cm}^2$$

$$1 \times 10^{12} \text{ ions/cm}^2 \gg \gg \gg 1 \times 10^{15} \text{ neq/cm}^2$$

250 K

$$\alpha(\text{ions}) = 1.5 \times 10^{-15} \text{ A/cm}^2$$

Strip (50 mm²) ion fluence  $1 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-2}$   
 Current < 10 μA  
 Negligible noise

# The signal amplitude estimation

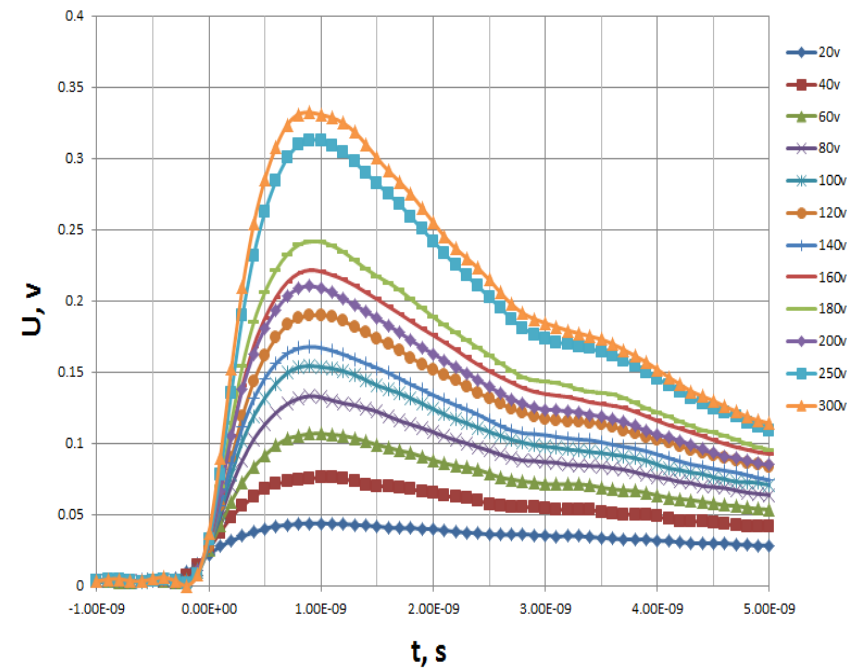
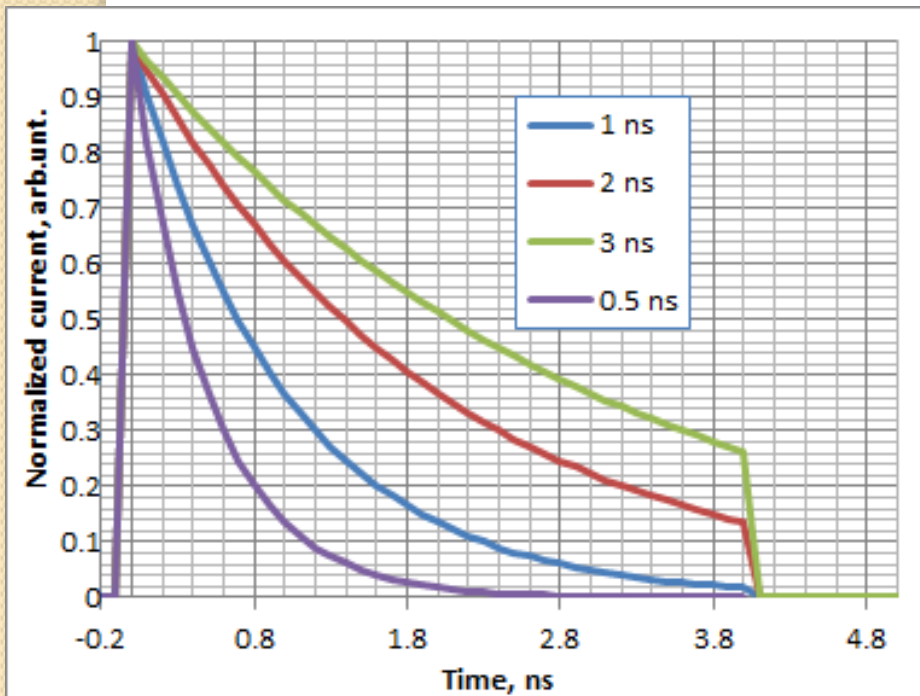
Simulated current pulses at different trapping time

Rising edge of current pulses

$^{197}\text{Au}$ ,  $E = 920 \text{ MeV/u}$

Detector thickness - 300  $\mu\text{m}$

Voltage range 20 – 300 V



Amplitude of the peak current  $I_p$   
 $I_p$  at  $1 \text{ e}^{12} \text{ ions/cm}^2 = 1 - T_r/T_{tr} = 1 - 1 \text{ ns}/5 \text{ ns} = 0.8$   
 (1 ns – time of reaching maximum)

**After  $2.2 \times 10^{11} \text{ ions/cm}^2$**   
**10% degradation –**  
**reasonable agreement**



# Conclusions

- Si detectors widely used in HEP; successfully used in nuclear physics experiments with exotic ions
- Kind of universal devices delivering all information needed – energy loss, position and timing
- All these observables can be obtained with precision on the same or even better level then alternative approaches (scintillator, MCP, IC, MWPC)
- Si detectors are planned to be intensively used for the coming experiments within NUSTAR/FAIR

