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# Plan to study the nuclear equation of state and symmetry energy at **RAON**

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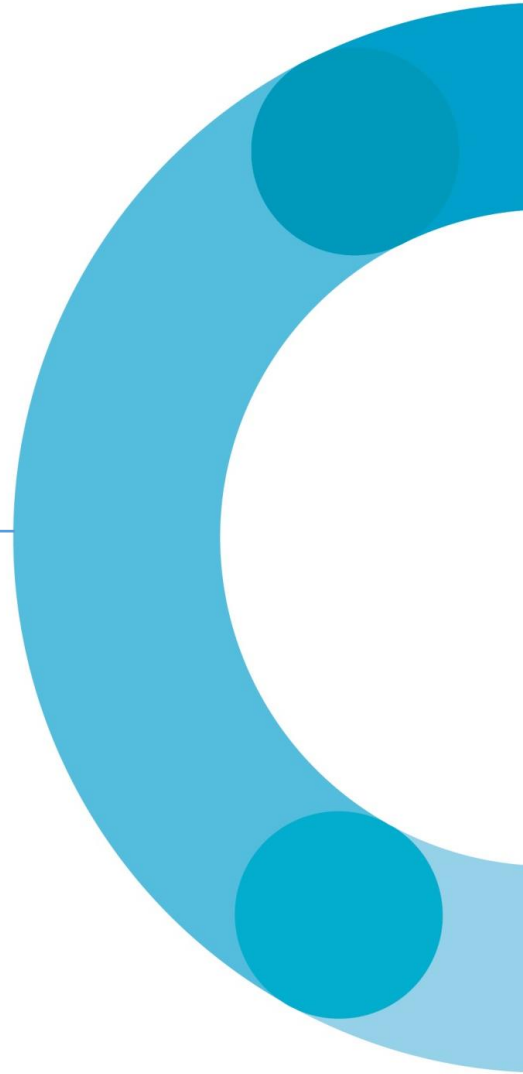
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# Part 1.

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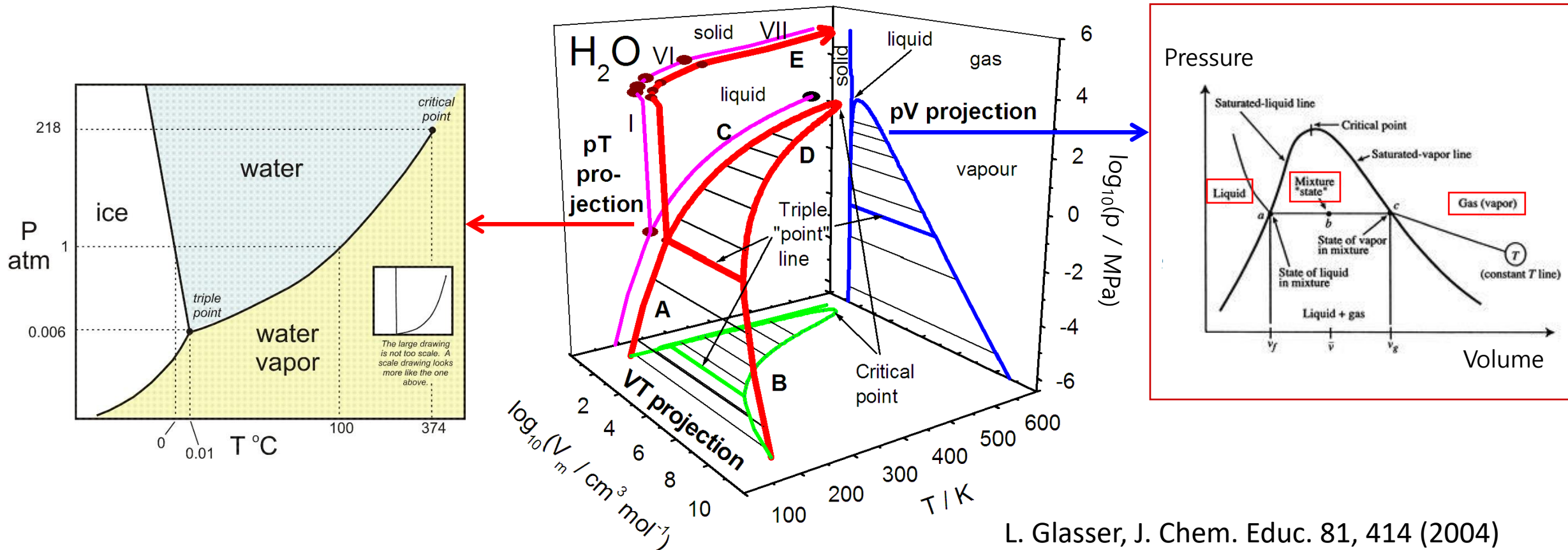
Introduction to EoS & symmetry energy



# Phase diagram of ordinary matter

- **States or Phases:** Solid (ice), Liquid (water), Gas (vapor)

## Phase diagram of H<sub>2</sub>O



L. Glasser, J. Chem. Educ. 81, 414 (2004)

- Definition of the equation of state (EoS)
  - The relation among the thermodynamical variables such as pressure ( $p$ ), temperature ( $\tau = k_B T$ ), and volume ( $V$ ) to describe the state of matter
- Basic examples
  - Vapor pressure equation (or Clausius-Clapeyron equation)
 

$dp/d\tau = L/\tau\Delta v$  ( $L$ : latent heat,  $\Delta v$ : the volume change when one molecule is transferred from liquid to gas)

$\rightarrow p(T) = p_0 \exp(-L/N_0\tau)$  for  $v_g \gg v_l$  and  $pV_g = N_g\tau$
  - Van der Waals equation of state: The simplest model of a liquid-gas phase transition
 

$(p + N^2 a/V^2)(V - Nb) = N\tau$

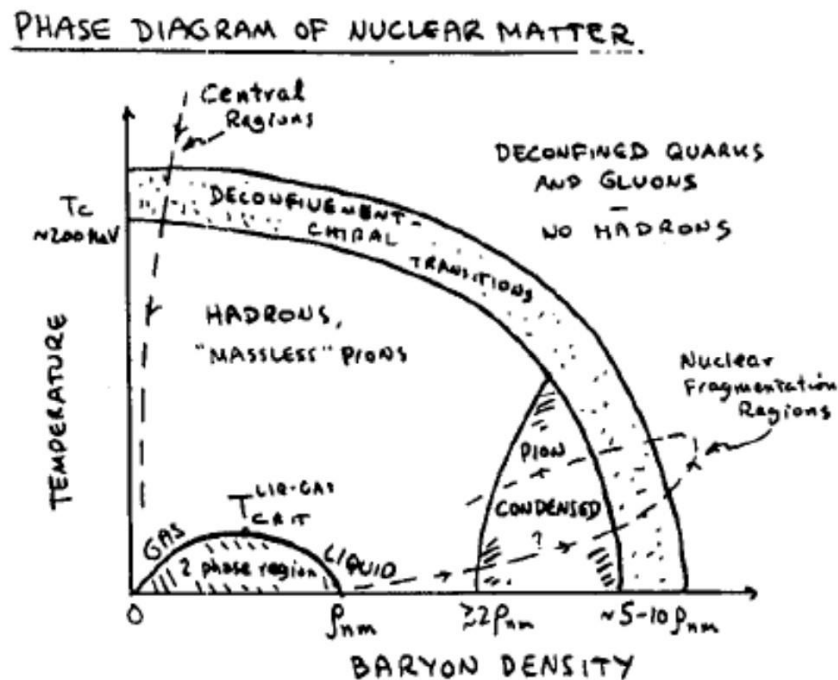
where

$a$ : long-range attraction between two molecules

$b$ : short-range repulsion between two molecules

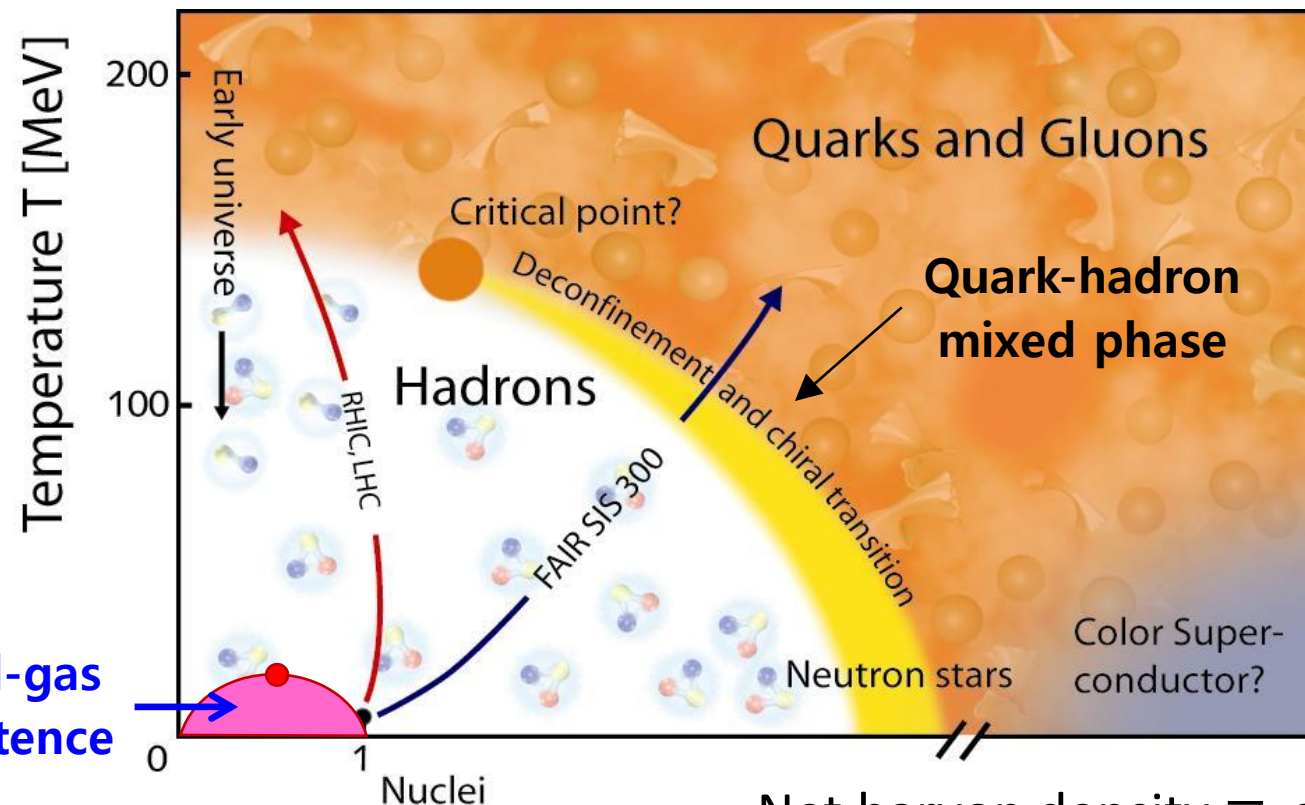
[Ref.] Undergraduate textbook, e.g., “Thermal Physics” by C. Kittel & H. Kroemer

Variables:  $(p, V, \tau) \rightarrow (\rho, \tau)$  with the net baryon density  $\rho$



NSAC Long Range Plan  
Report (1983)

Liquid-gas  
coexistence



Net baryon density  $\equiv \rho/\rho_0$   
(Sometimes people use  $\mu_B$ )

- One of the possible EoS's, using the differential [thermodynamic identity](#), can be

$$p(\rho, \tau, \delta) = - \left[ \frac{\partial F}{\partial V} \right]_{\tau, \delta} ; F(\rho, T, \delta) = U(\rho, T, \delta) - \tau \cdot \sigma(\rho, T, \delta)$$

$F$  = Helmholtz free energy,  $U$  = Average energy of the state,  $\sigma$  = Entropy

$\rho = \rho_n + \rho_p$ : Total baryon density,  $\delta = (\rho_n - \rho_p)/(\rho_n + \rho_p)$ : Isospin asymmetry

- Using the baryon density  $\rho = A/V$  and  $\partial V = -A \cdot \partial \rho / \rho^2$ ,

$$p(\rho, \tau, \delta) = - \left[ \frac{\partial F}{\partial V} \right]_{\tau, \delta} = \left[ \rho^2 \frac{\partial (U(\rho, \tau, \delta)/A)}{\partial \rho} \right]_{\tau, \delta} - \left[ \tau \rho^2 \frac{\partial (\sigma/A)}{\partial \rho} \right]_{\tau, \delta}$$

- At low temperatures, the second term becomes negligible.
- Practical approach is to calculate the average energy per nucleon for EoS

$$\varepsilon(\rho, \tau, \delta) \equiv U(\rho, \tau, \delta)/A$$

- Theoretical approach: Estimate  $\varepsilon(\rho, \tau, \delta)$  by some density functional forms (e.g., Hartree-Fock) and variational calculations.
  - Experimental approach: Constrain EoS by using the controlled Lab. Expts. at specific densities.



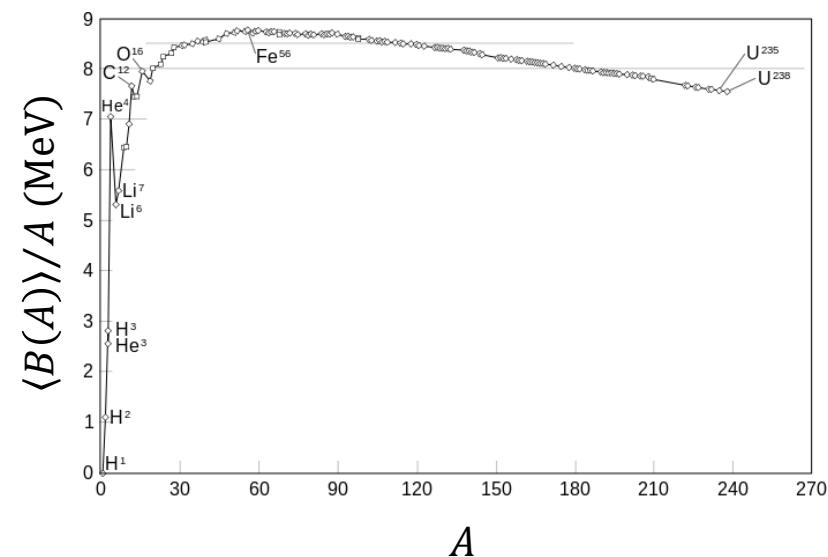
- Total energy of nuclei or nuclear matter

$$\varepsilon(\rho, \delta)A = Zm_p + Nm_n - B(A, Z)$$

with

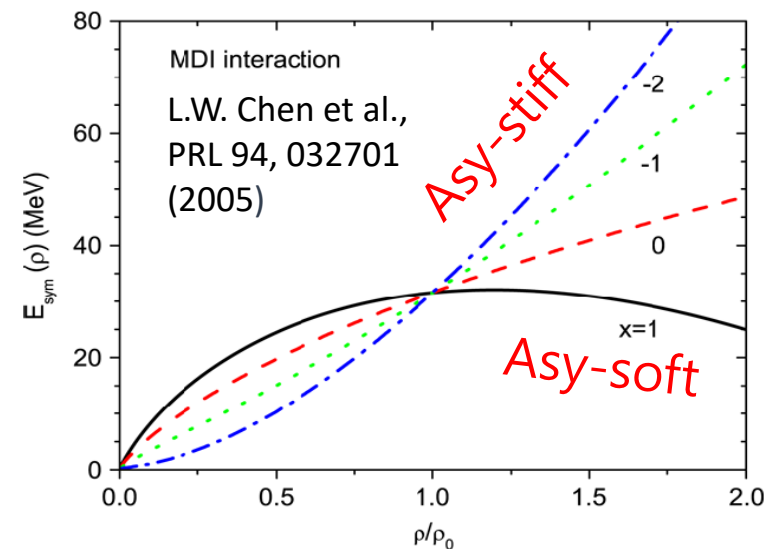
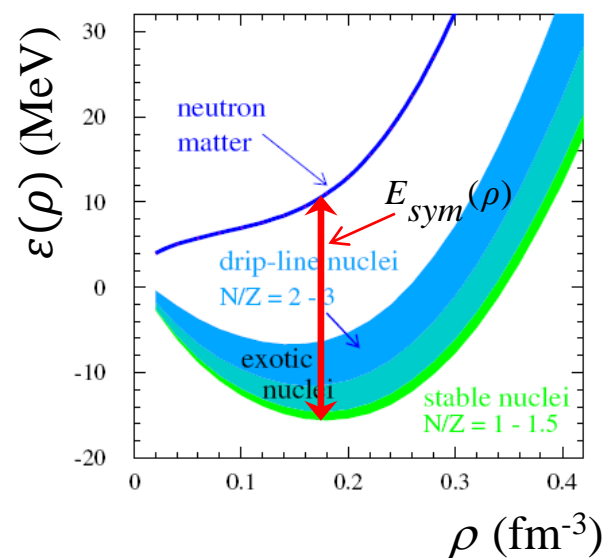
$$B(A, Z) = a_{vol}A - a_{sur}A^{2/3} - a_{Coul} \frac{Z(Z-1)}{A^{1/3}} - a_{sym} \frac{(N-Z)^2}{A} \pm \delta_{pair}$$

$$\therefore \varepsilon(\rho, \delta) = \varepsilon(\rho, \delta = 0) + E_{sym}(\rho)\delta^2 + \mathcal{O}(\delta^4) + \dots$$



- Symmetry energy  $E_{sym}$

- The energy difference between the neutron matter and the isospin symmetric matter
- $a_{sym} \approx E_{sym}(0.6\rho_0)$
- Primary concern is **the density dependence of  $E_{sym}$** .





- Two components of the symmetry energy

$$E_{sym}(\rho) = S(\rho) = \frac{1}{3} E_F (\rho / \rho_0)^{2/3} + E_{sym}^{pot}(\rho)$$

where  $E_{sym}^{pot}(\rho)$  is often parameterized as  $C(\rho / \rho_0)^\gamma$

- A useful empirical expansion around  $\rho_0$ :

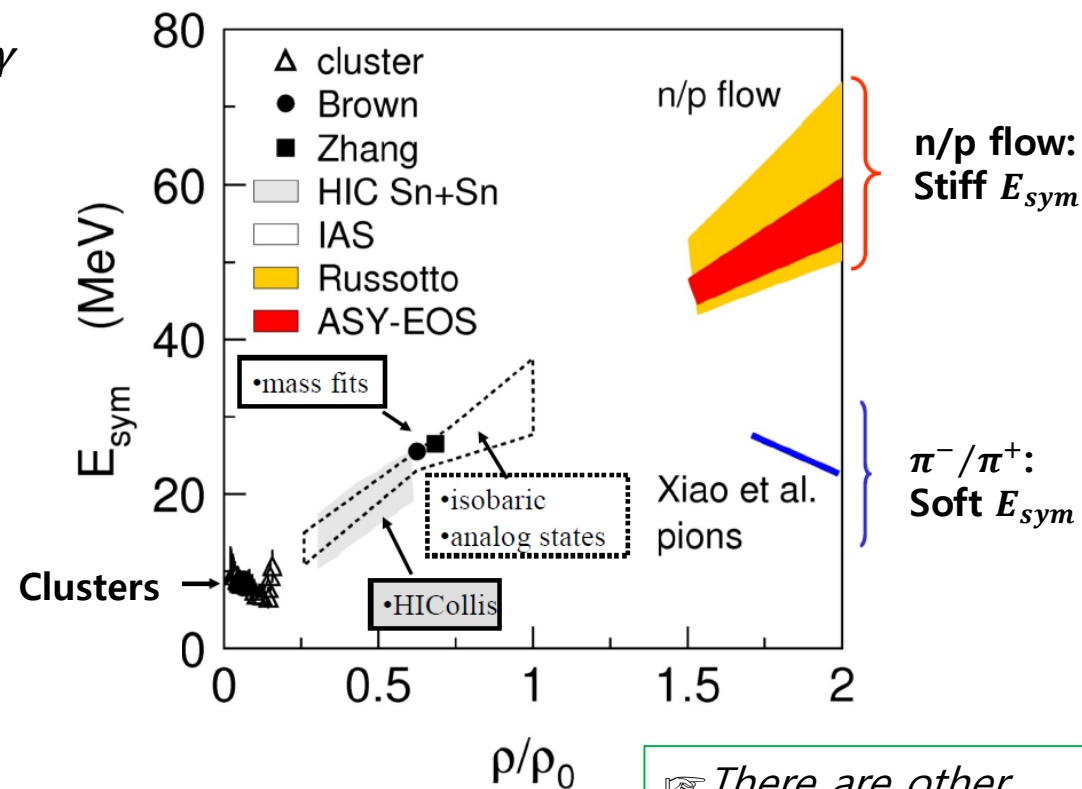
$$E_{sym}(\rho) = S_0 + \frac{L}{3} \left( \frac{\rho - \rho_0}{\rho_0} \right) + \frac{K_{sym}}{18} \left( \frac{\rho - \rho_0}{\rho_0} \right)^2$$

$$L = \frac{3}{\rho_0} P_{sym} = 3\rho_0 \left. \frac{\partial E_{sym}(\rho)}{\partial \rho} \right|_{\rho=\rho_0} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{slope} \leftrightarrow \\ \text{pressure} \end{array} \right)$$

$$K_{sym} = 9\rho_0^2 \left. \frac{\partial^2 E_{sym}(\rho)}{\partial \rho^2} \right|_{\rho=\rho_0} \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{curvature} \leftrightarrow \\ \text{compressibility} \end{array} \right)$$

- Important constraints on the nuclear effective interactions

- Present constraints on symmetry energy compiled by *H. Wolter*

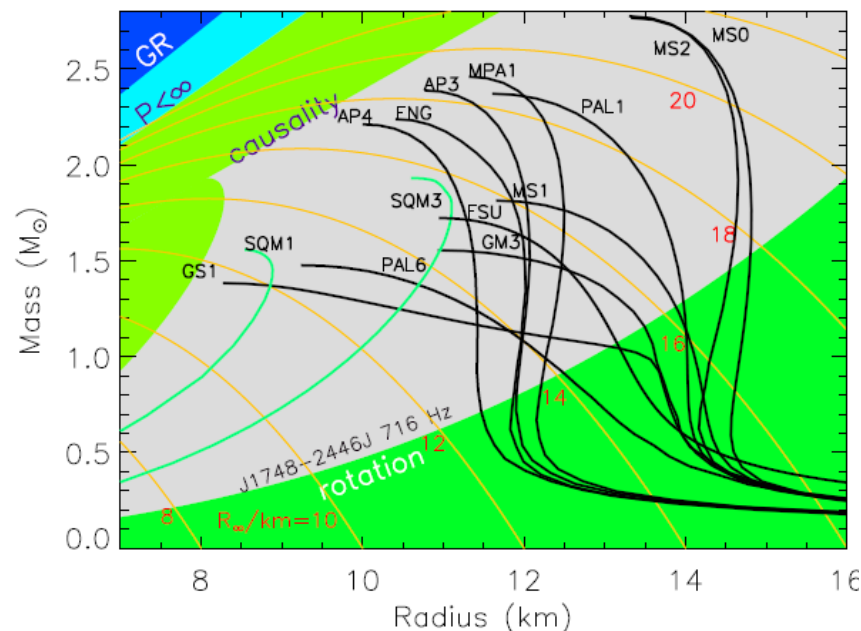


There are other predictions showing different trends.

# Symmetry energy and neutron stars

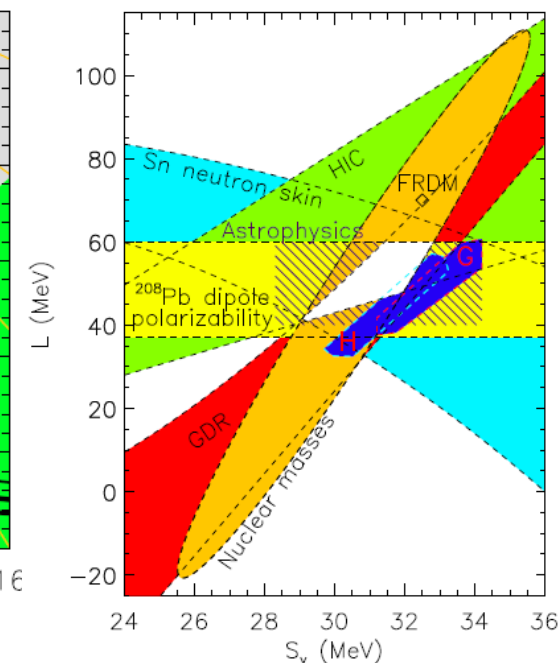
- Symmetry energy helps to understand
  - Stability of neutron stars against gravitational collapse
  - Stellar density profile and internal structure of neutron stars
  - $M$  vs.  $R$  relationship of neutron stars
    - Sensitive to EoS and  $E_{sym}$
  - Various observational consequences such as
    - Cooling rates of proto-neutron stars
    - Stellar masses, radii & moment of inertia from temperatures & luminosities of X-ray bursters
- We need to provide systematic constraints from the controlled laboratory experiments at specific  $\rho$ 's.

J.M. Lattimer,  
Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 62, 485 (2012)

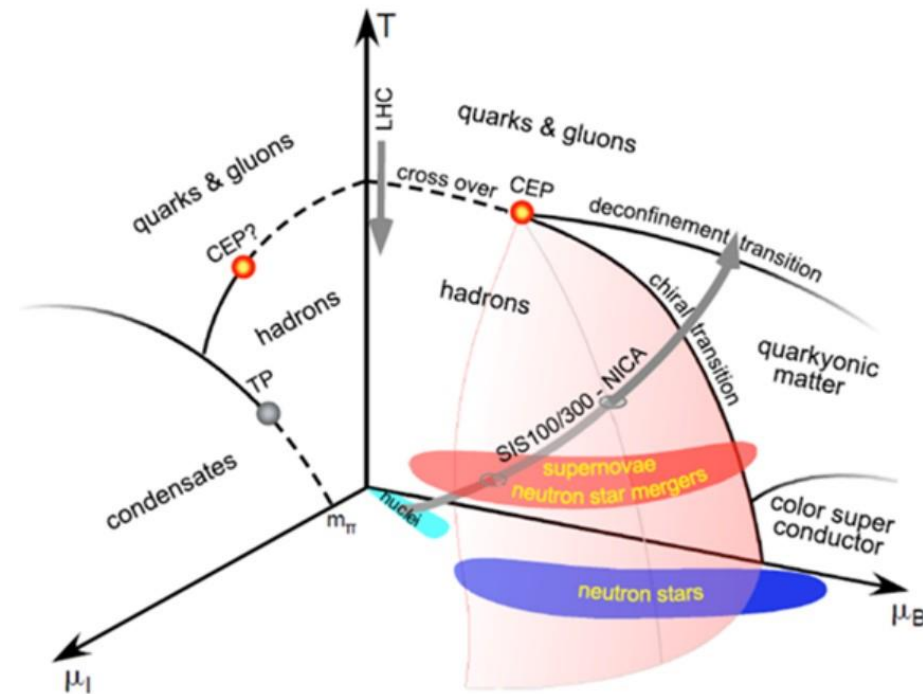
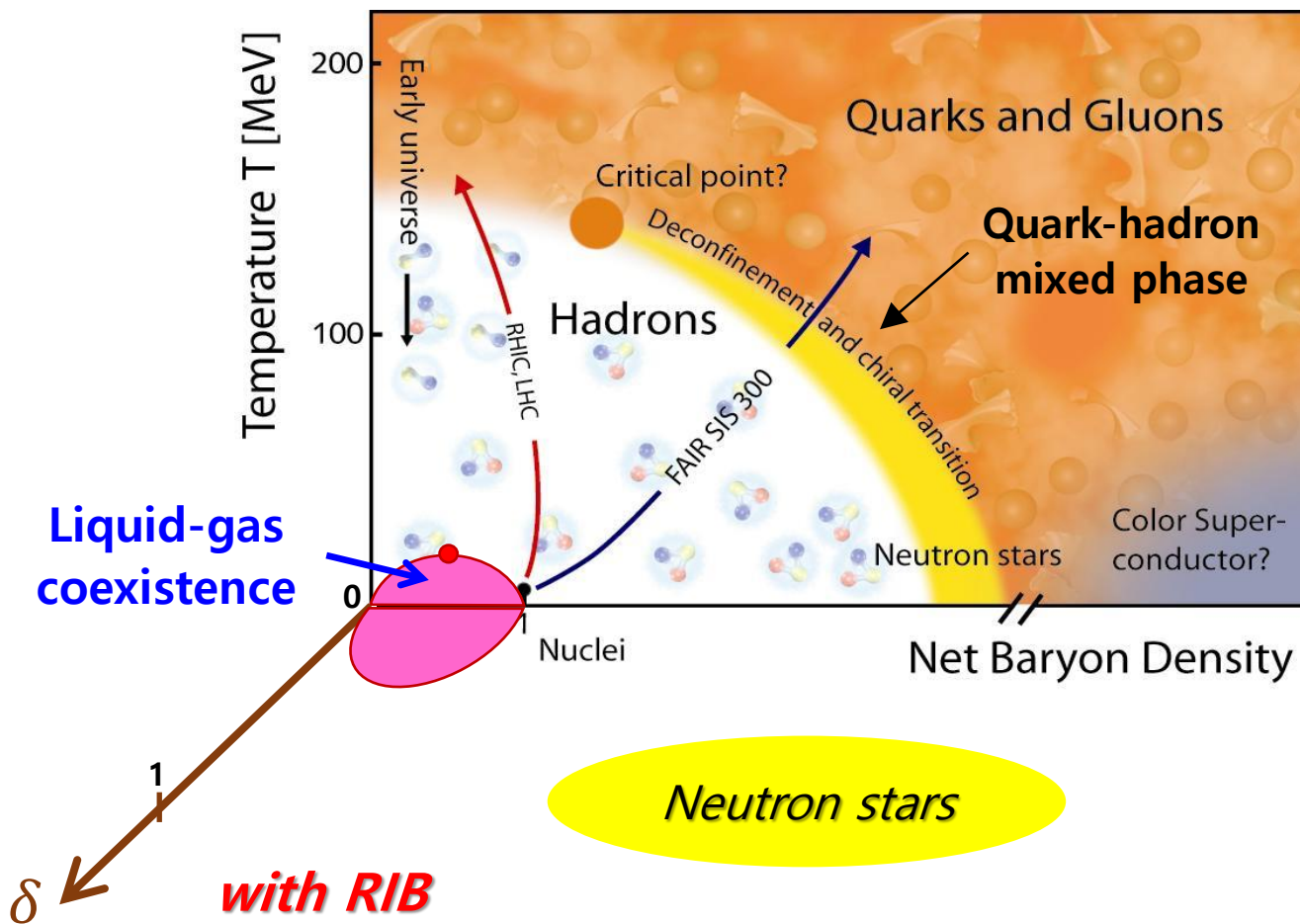


- Black line: Hadronic EOS
- Green line: SQM EOS
- GR: Excluded by general relativity
- $P < \infty$ : Excluded by requiring finite pressure
- Causality: Excluded by causality
- Rotation: Bounded by realistic mass-shedding limit for the highest known pulsar frequency

J.M. Lattimer & Y. Lim,  
ApJ 771, 51 (2013)



Variables:  $(p, \tau, V) \rightarrow (\rho, \tau, \delta)$

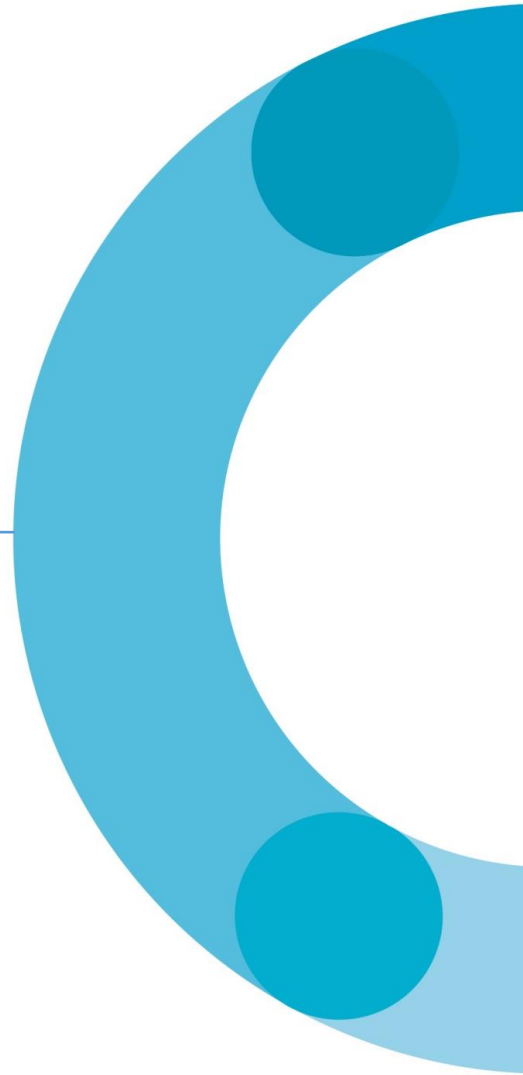


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# Part 2.

## Observables

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- Hadronic observables

- Particle spectra and yield ratios for  $n/p$ ,  ${}^3\text{H}/{}^3\text{He}$ ,  ${}^7\text{Li}/{}^7\text{Be}$ ,  $\pi^-/\pi^+$ , etc.
- Collective flow:  $v_1$  &  $v_2$  of  $n$ ,  $p$ , and fragments
- Azimuthal angle dependence of  $n/p$  ratio relative to the reaction plane
- Isoscaling phenomenon in nuclear multi-fragmentation process

(Jung Woo Lee in this Workshop)

- Isospin transportation: isospin diffusion and migration (or drift)

- Electromagnetic observables

- Dipole ( $E1$ ) emissions (pygmy and giant dipole resonances): peak position and magnitude
  - Some theories suggest that PDR is sensitive to the neutron skin radius for unstable nuclei.
- Angular dependence of the gamma emission

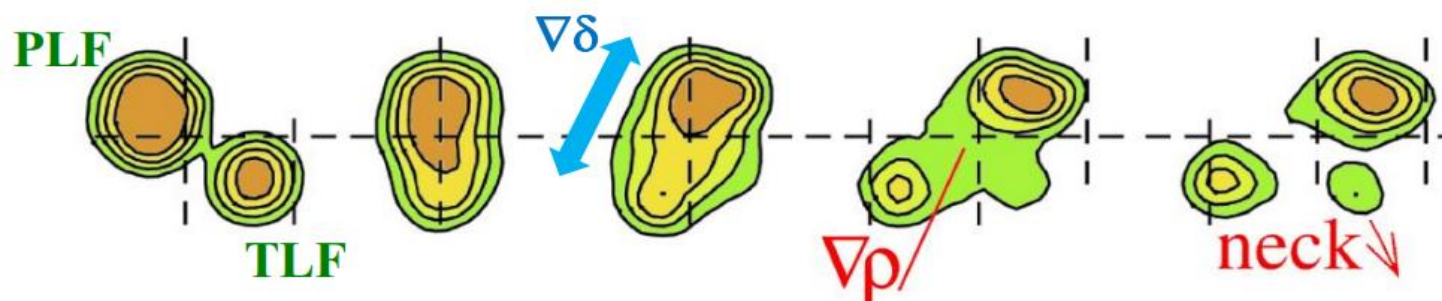
- Systematic investigation for the EoS and symmetry-energy experiments

- Change of the system size and  $N/Z$  of the collision system
- Change of the beam energy to cover a wide range of  $\rho/\rho_0$
- Analyze any variable as functions of the collision centrality and kinetic energy

- Difference between neutron and proton currents

$$j_n - j_p \propto \delta \left( \frac{\partial E_{sym}}{\partial \rho} \right) \nabla \rho - \rho E_{sym} \nabla \delta$$

- $\nabla \delta$  effect (isospin diffusion): Asymmetric flow from projectile and target for isospin equilibration
- $\nabla \rho$  effect (isospin migration or drift): Asymmetric flow from projectile and target towards low-density region (neck), which would be more important at Fermi energies and below



(from M. Colonna)



# Isospin tracer parameter

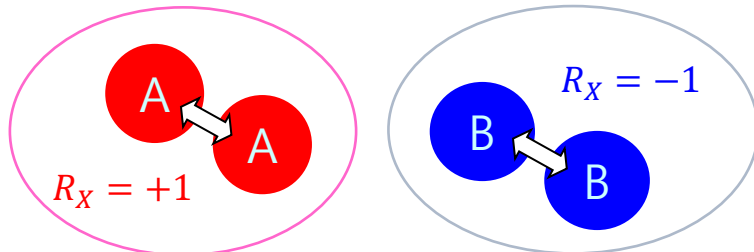
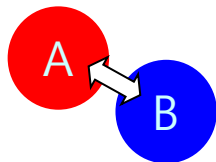
FOPI Collaboration @ GSI

F. Rami et al., PRL 84, 1120 (2000)

B. Hong et al., PRC 66, 034901 (2002)

$$R_X = 2 \frac{X^{AB} - (X^{AA} + X^{BB})/2}{X^{AA} - X^{BB}}$$

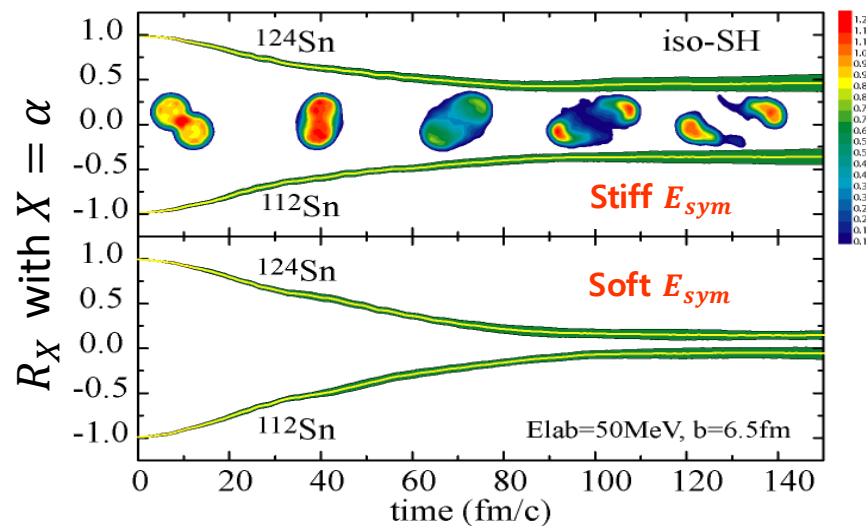
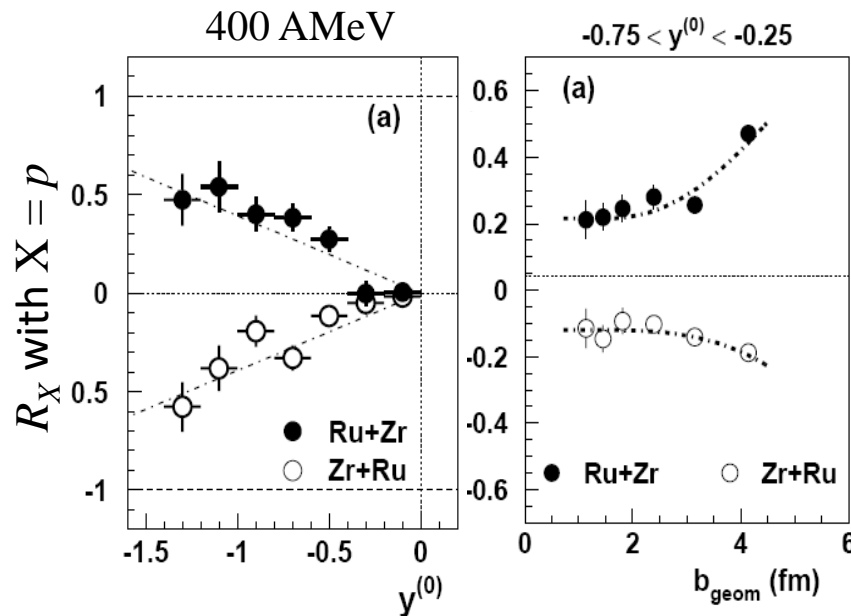
$R_X = 0$  for  
complete  
isospin mixing



M.B. Tsang et al., PRL 92, 062701 (2004)

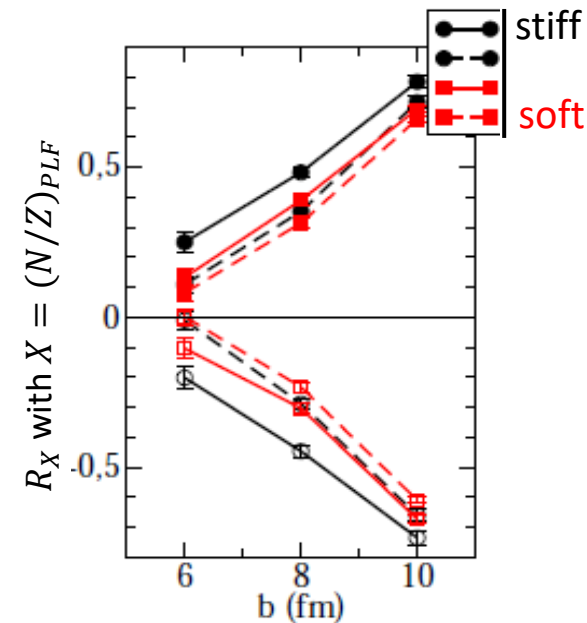
$$\frac{Y_{124+124}(Z=3 \sim 8)}{Y_{112+112}(Z=3 \sim 8)} \propto \exp(\alpha N)$$

$\alpha$ =Neutron-isoscaling parameter



J. Rizzo et al., NPA 806, 79 (2008)  
Stochastic Mean Field (SMF) Model

$^{124}\text{Sn} + ^{112}\text{Sn}$  @ 50 MeV/u



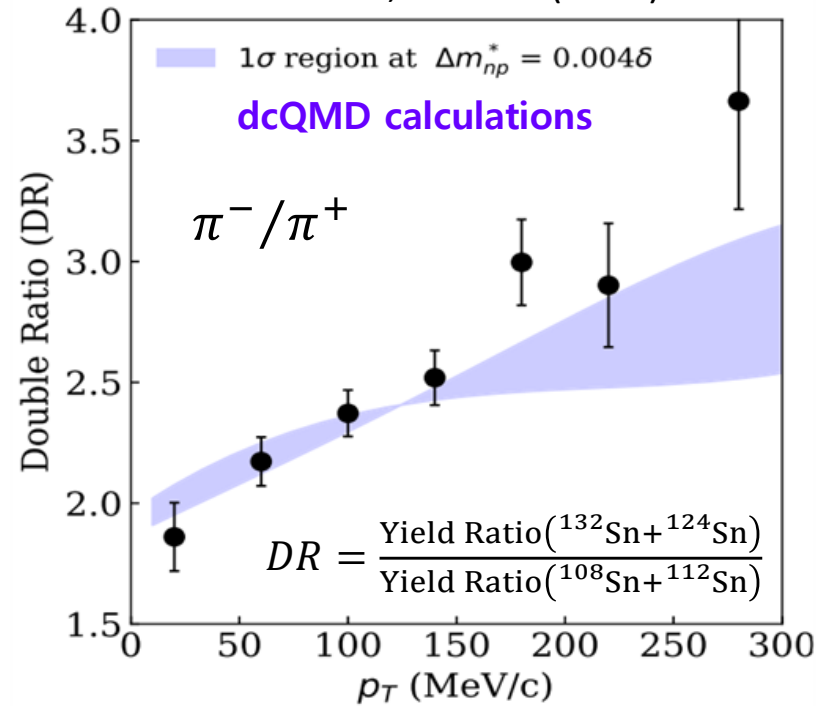
- Softer  $E_{sym}$  towards equilibrium ( $R_X \rightarrow 0$ )
- Models predict good sensitivity to  $E_{sym}$



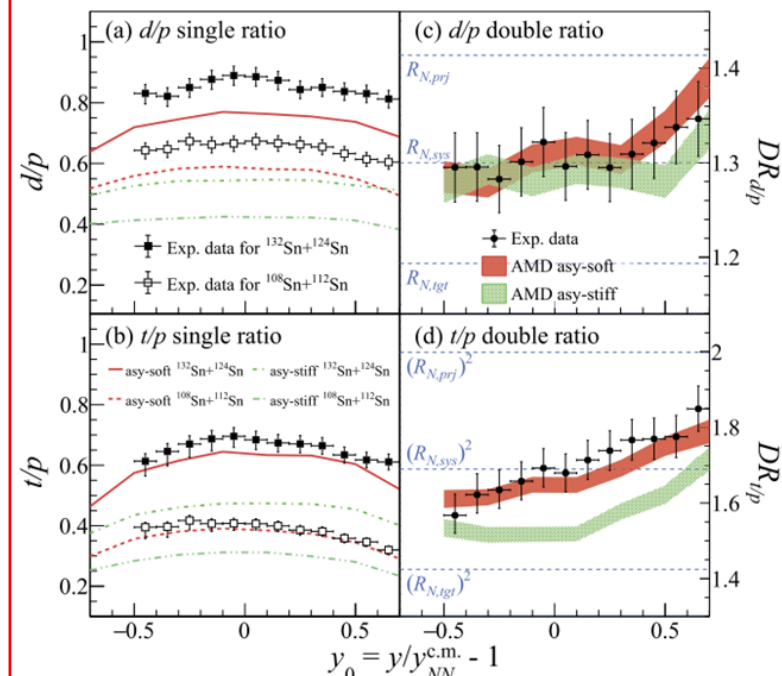
## ● SπRIT experiment @ RIKEN

- SAMURAI + TPC for  $^{108,112,124,132}\text{Sn} + ^{112,124}\text{Sn}$  @ 270 A MeV
- Results on  $\pi^\pm$  yield ratio, production of  $Z=1$  isotopes, and isoscaling phenomenon of light charged particles

PRL126, 162701 (2021)

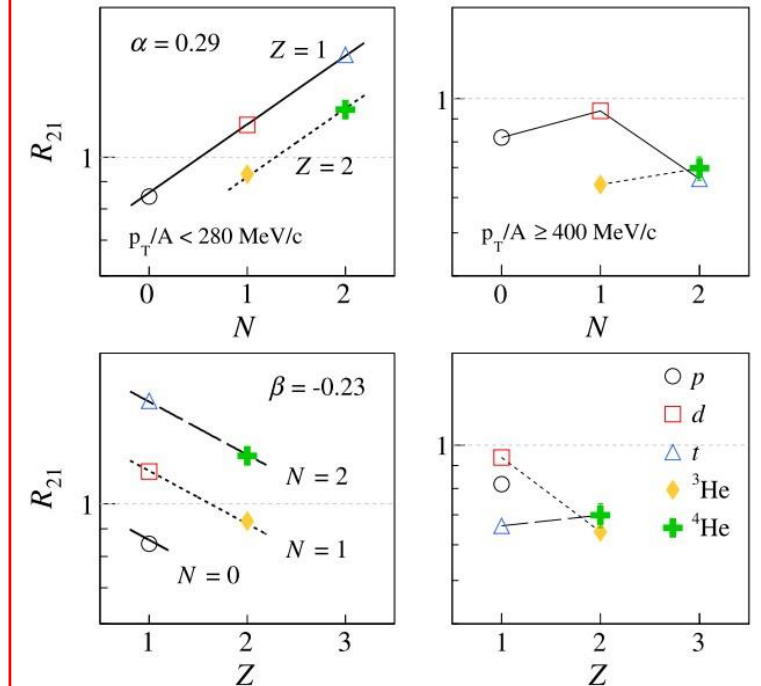


PLB822, 136681 (2021)



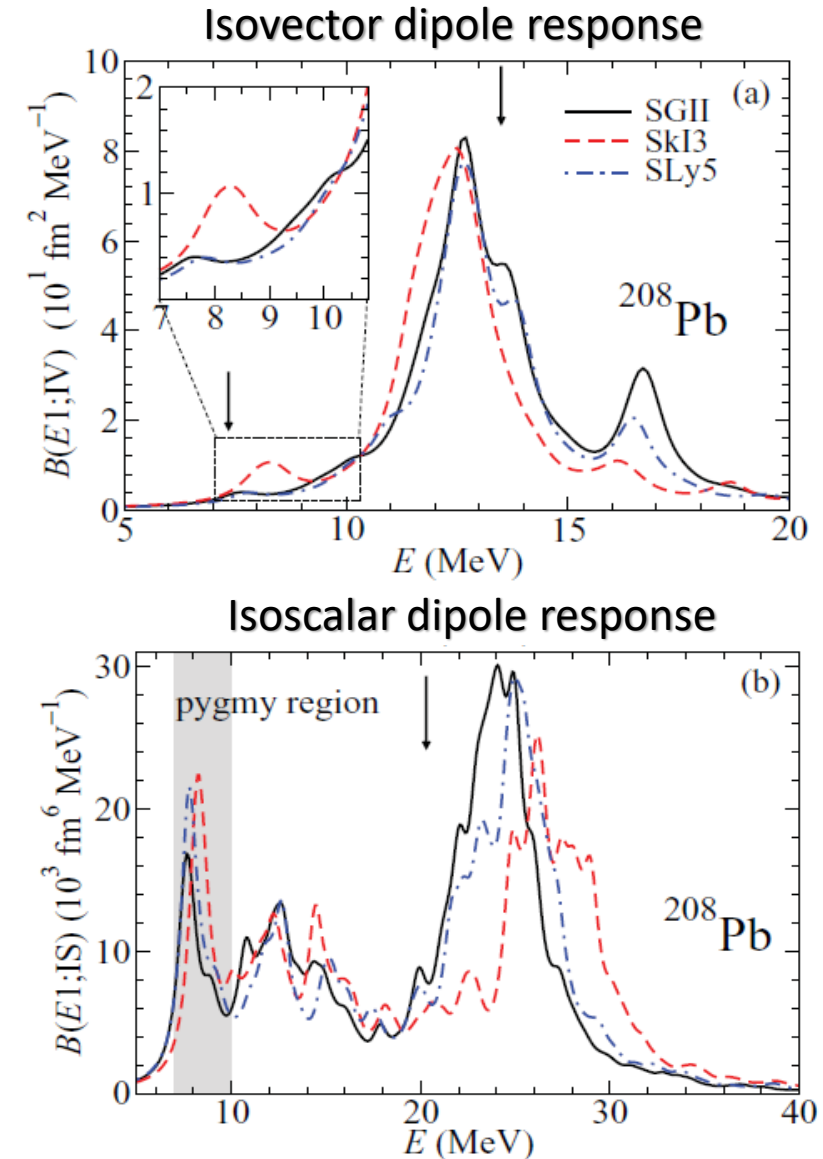
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J. W. Lee in the next session



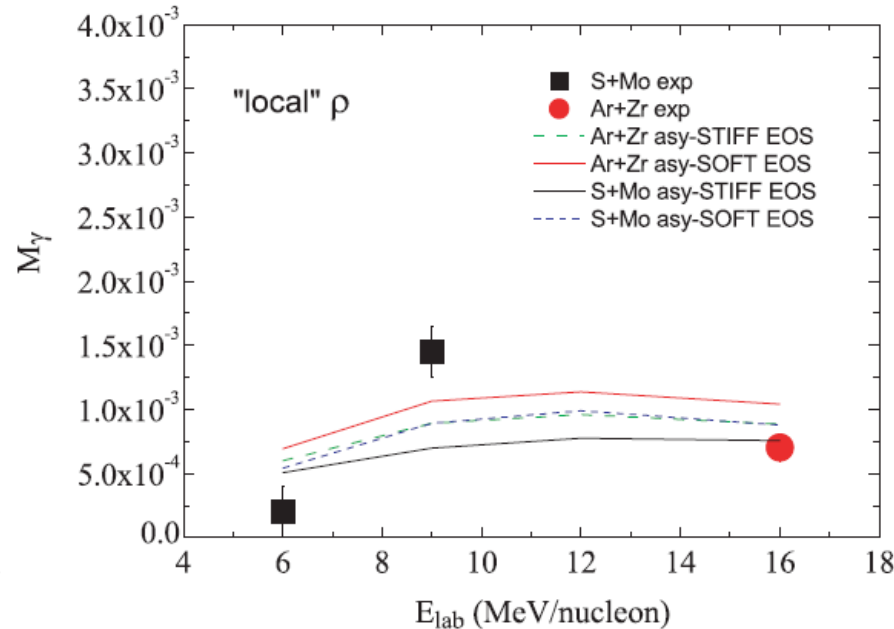
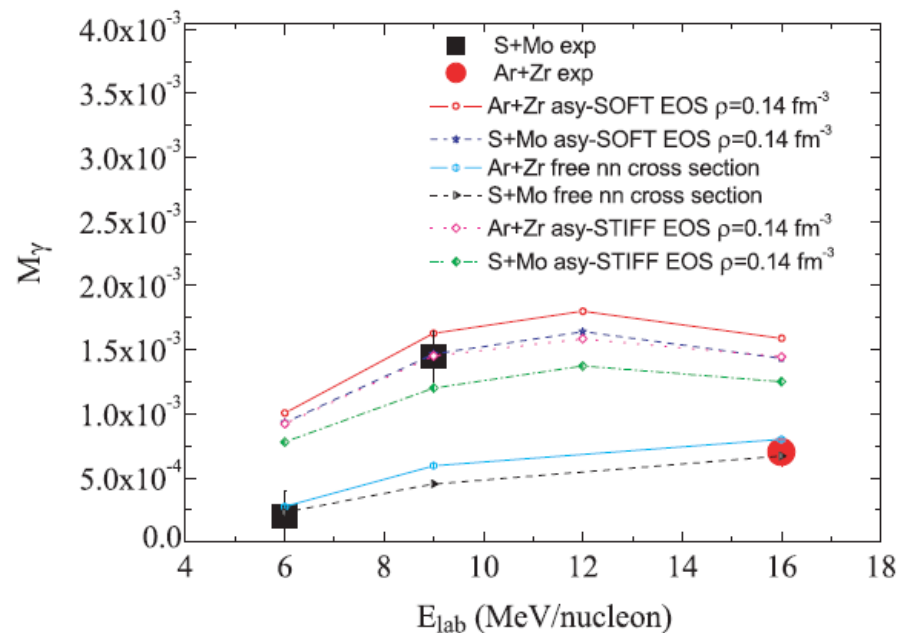
- Origin of dipole ( $E1$ ) emission depends on the beam-energy range
  - $\mathcal{O}(10 \text{ MeV}/u)$ : Oscillation in fusion
  - $\mathcal{O}(50 \text{ MeV}/u)$ : Diffusion
  - $\mathcal{O}(\sim 200 \text{ MeV}/u)$ : Nuclear structure (neutron skin, PDR, and GDR)
  - $\mathcal{O}(> 200 \text{ MeV}/u)$ : Isospin equilibration in nuclear stopping
- PDR is sensitive to  $E_{sym}$ :
  - HF+RPA with various Skyrme potentials shows that a larger  $L$  gives a larger strength in the PDR region.
- It is necessary to study systematically using  $n$ -rich systems:
  - $^X\text{Ca}$  beams with  $X=50, 54, 60, \dots$
  - $^X\text{Ni}$  beams with  $X=68, 70, 72, \dots$
  - $^X\text{Sn}$  beams with  $X=112, 124, 130, 132, \dots$

$$L = \text{SGII} (38 \text{ MeV}) < \text{SLy5} (48 \text{ MeV}) < \text{SkI3} (100 \text{ MeV})$$



X. Roca-Maza et al., PRC85, 024601 (2012)

- Examples of the existing data
  - $^X\text{Ar} + ^{96}\text{Zr}$  with  $X=36$  (reference) and  $> 40$
  - $^X\text{S} + ^{100}\text{Mo}$  with  $X=32$  (reference) and  $> 40$
  - Model calculations assuming stiff and soft  $E_{\text{sym}}$  compared with the LNS data



D. Pierroutsakou et al.,  
PRC80, 024612 (2009)]

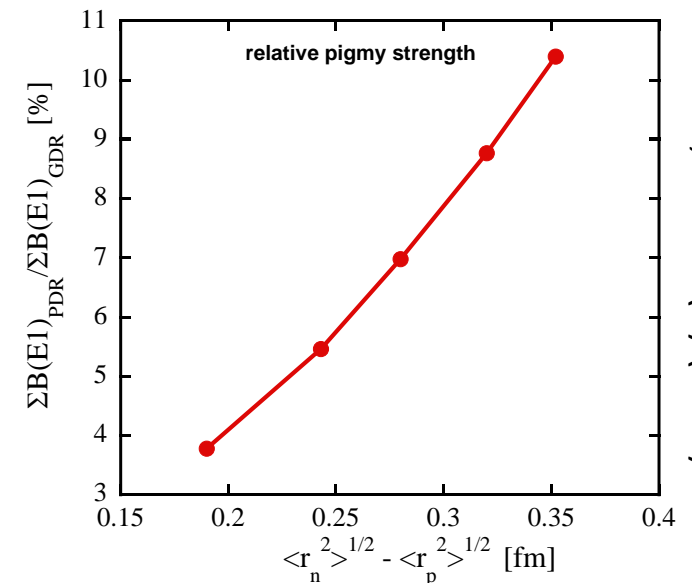
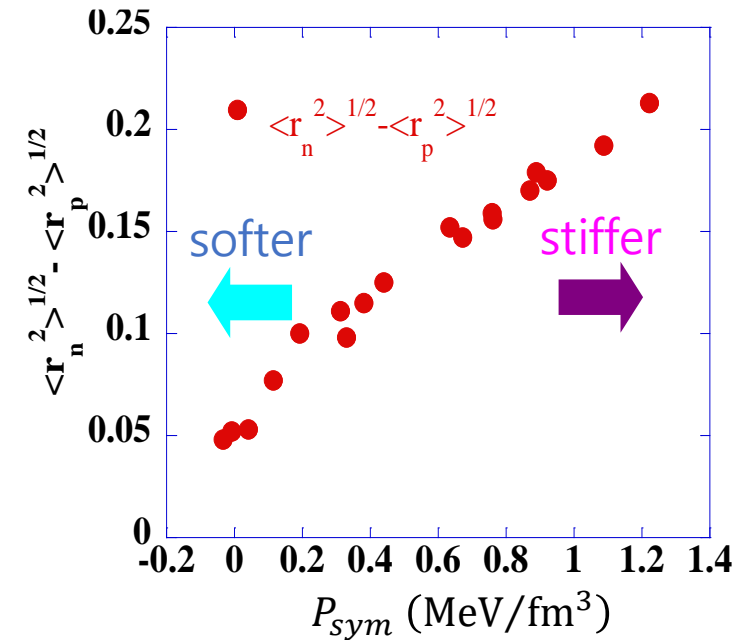
✓ Beam energy range  
of SCL3 at RAON

- We need the precise data, even for the light systems, on the dipole emission.

- Neutron skin ( $R_n$ ) vs.  $E_{sym}$ 
  - $P_{sym}$  is larger if  $E_{sym}$  strongly varies with  $\rho$ :  

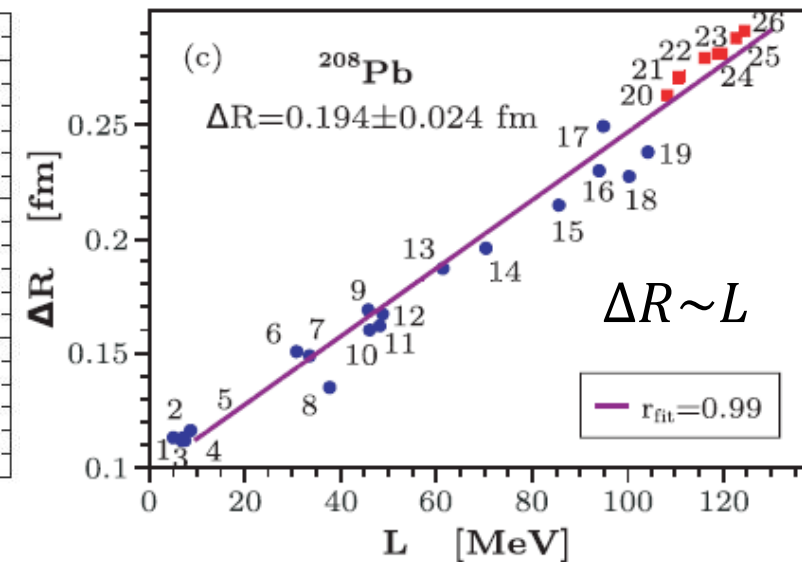
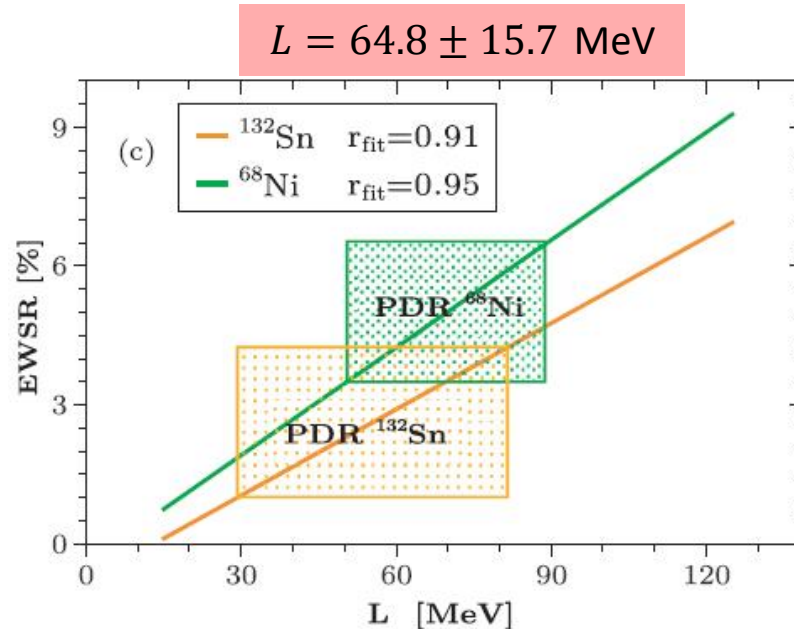
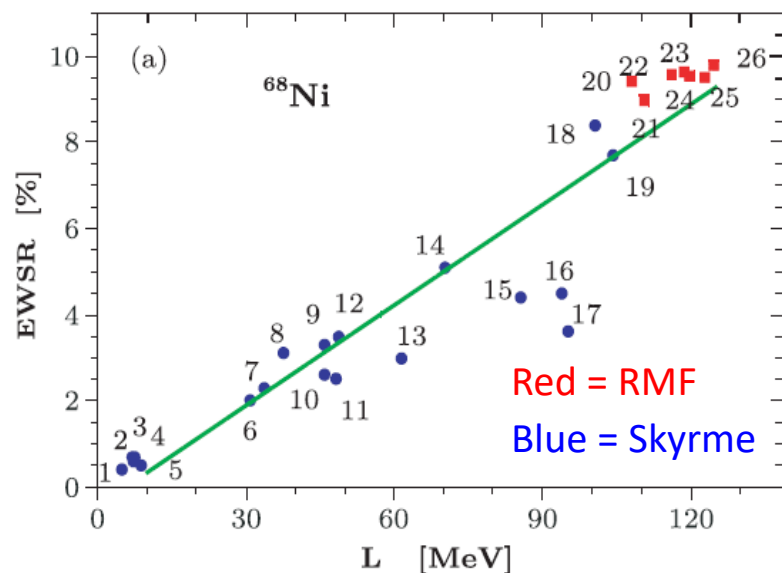
$$P_{sym} = \rho_0^2 \left. \frac{\partial E_{sym}(\rho)}{\partial \rho} \right|_{\rho=\rho_0}$$

$$P_{n-matter} = P_{symmetric-matter} + P_{sym}$$
  - Symmetry pressure repels neutrons and attracts protons: **a stiff symmetry energy gives a larger radius for neutron skin.**
  - Direct way to measure the neutron radius is using  $A_{PV} = A_{LR} \sim A_{weak}/A_\gamma$  in  $\vec{e} + A$ , for example, PREX/PREX-II/CREX experiments at Jefferson Lab. [PRL108, 112502 (2012)]
  - But there is no electron beam at RAON!
- Thus, we may take the indirect way:
  - Theoretical (e.g., RPA) prediction: A strong correlation between the difference between  $n$  &  $p$  radii and the fractional strength in PDR.
  - Measure the yield ratio  $s$  of PDR and GDR.



A. Klimkiewicz, et al.,  
PRC76, 051603(R) (2007)

A. Carbone et al., PRC 81, 041313 (2010)



↑ Nuclear models show a strong correlation between the fractional dipole strength of PDR and symmetry pressure (or  $L$ ).

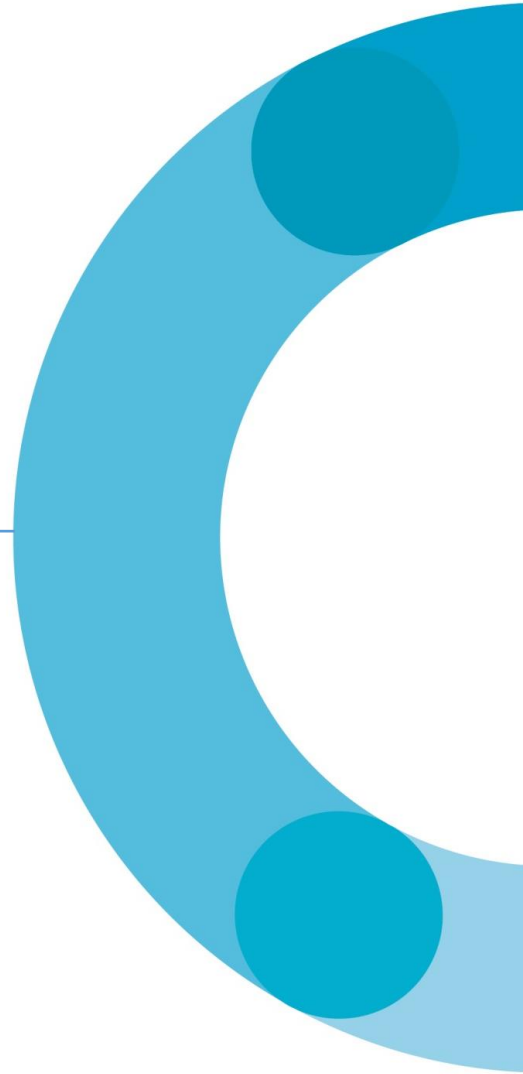
- Required detectors for the EoS & symmetry-energy experiments
  - Beam diagnostic detectors for tracking and reference timing
  - Large acceptance tracking detector for the charged particles (from pions to fragments)
  - Neutron (and gamma) detectors
  - Event characterization detector for centrality & reaction plane

# Part 3.

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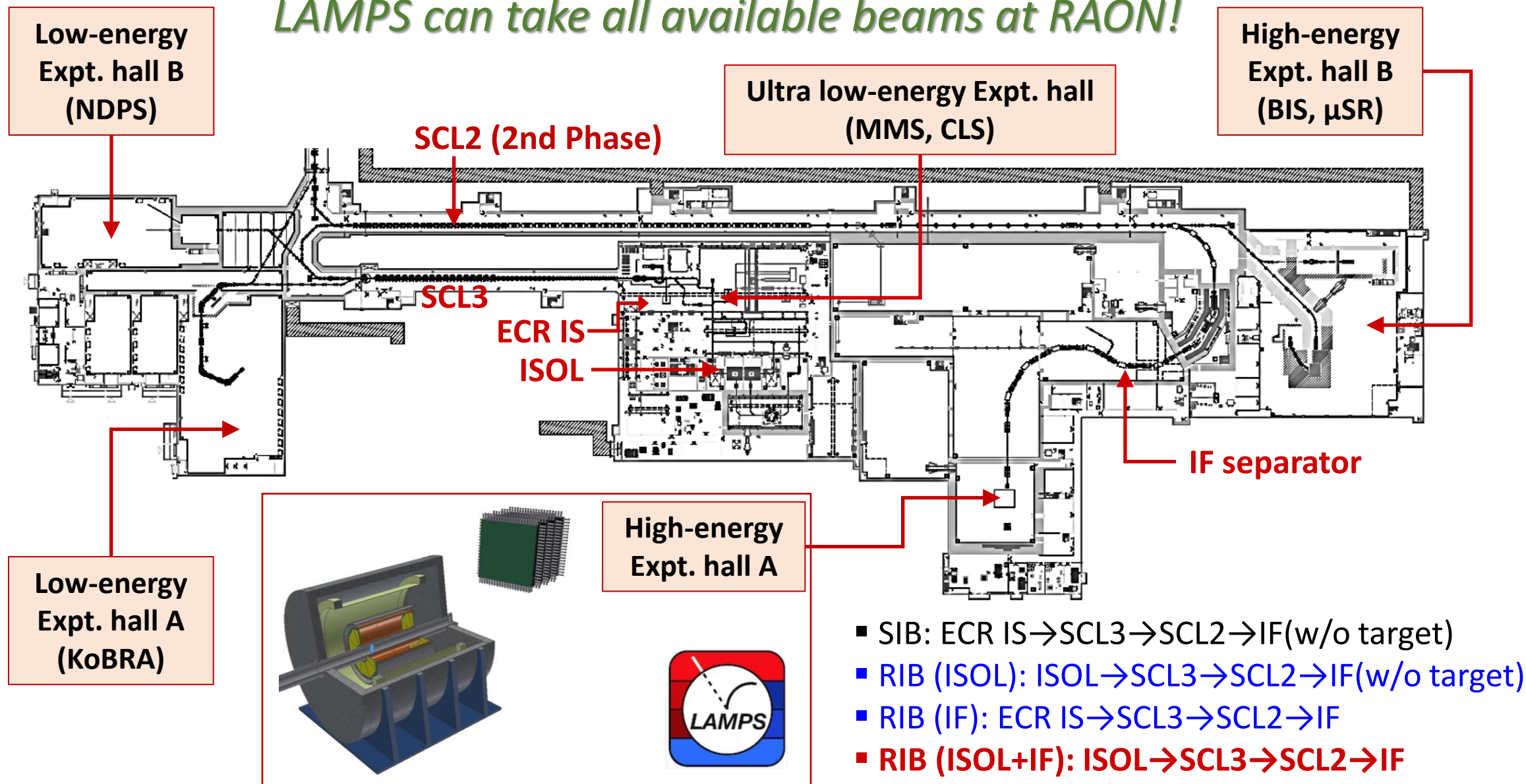
LAMPS:

*Large **A**cceptance **M**ulti-**P**urpose **S**pectrometer*





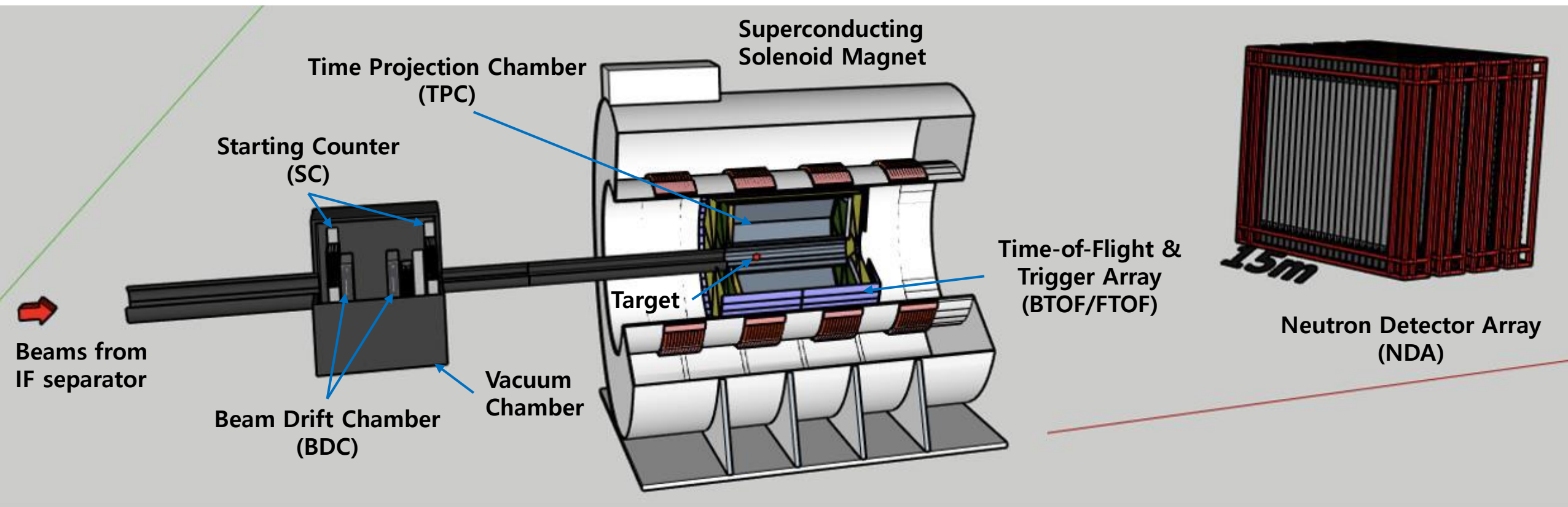
*LAMPS can take all available beams at RAON!*

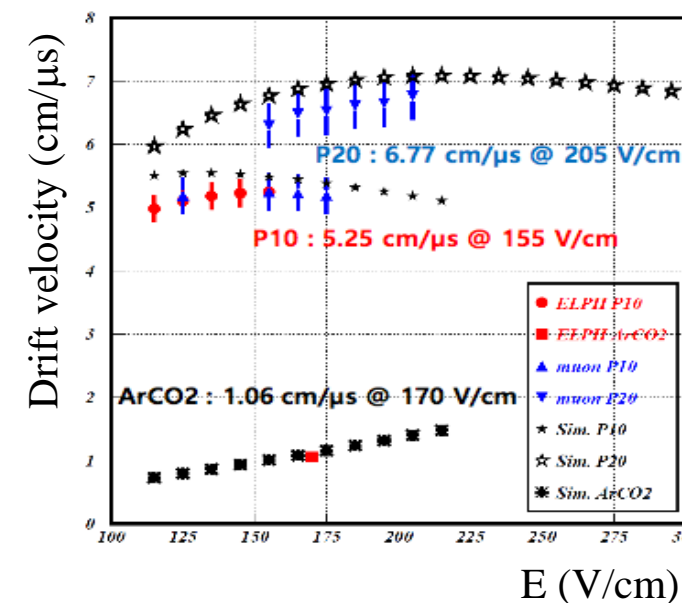
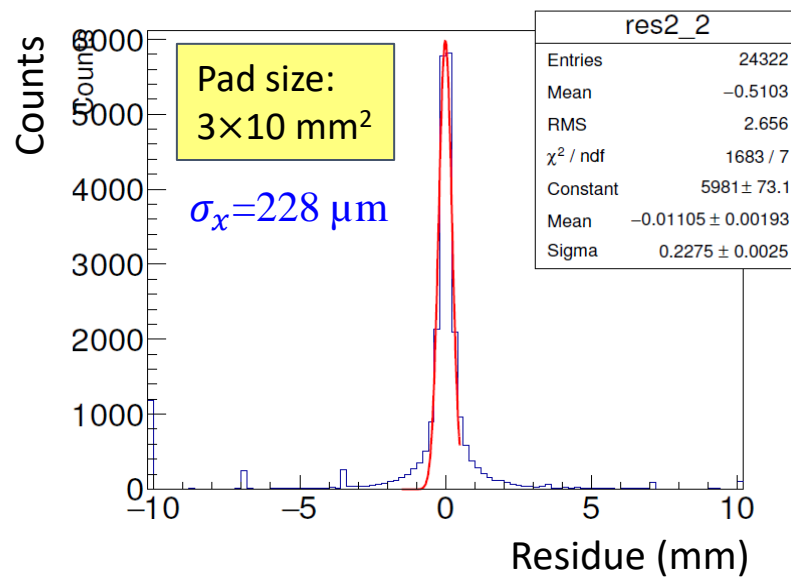
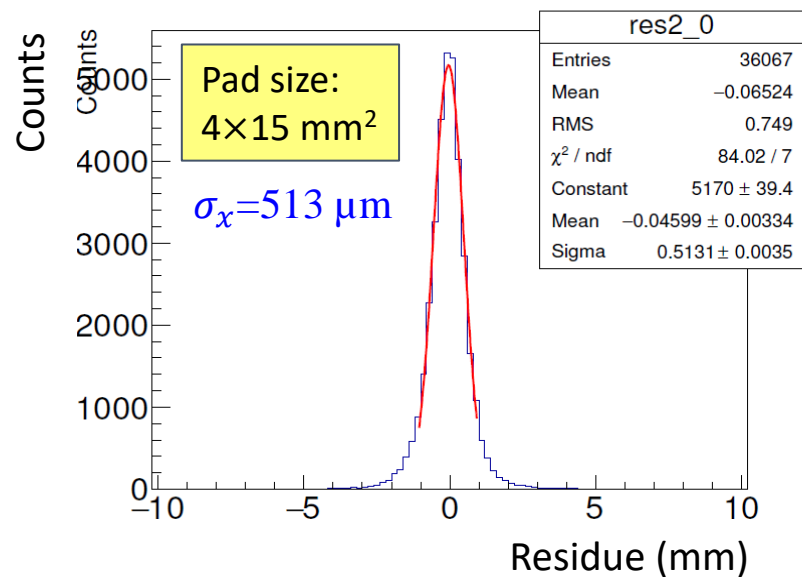
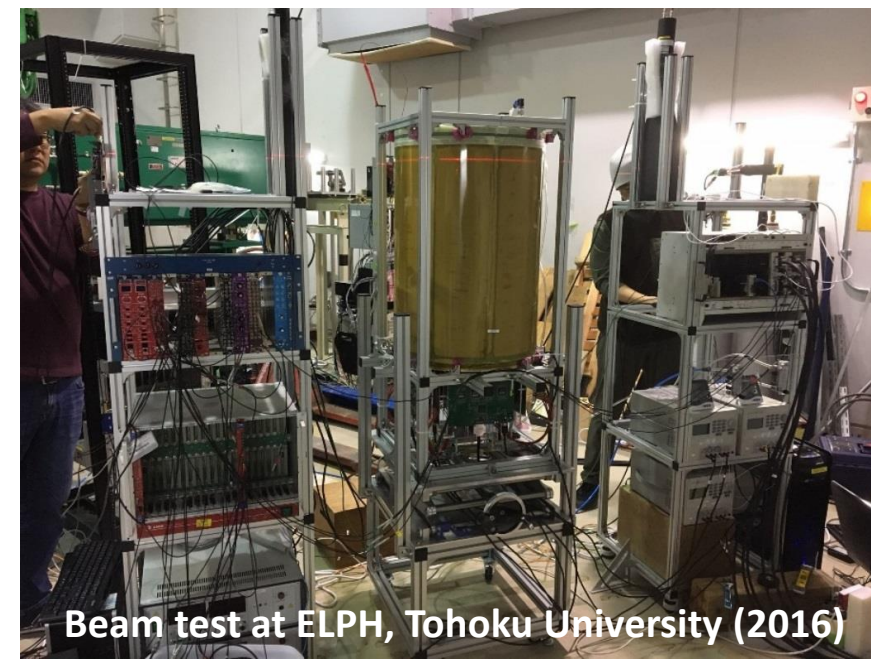
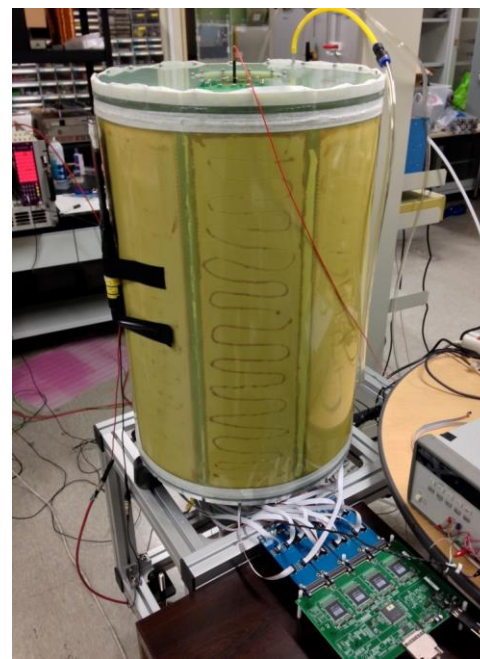
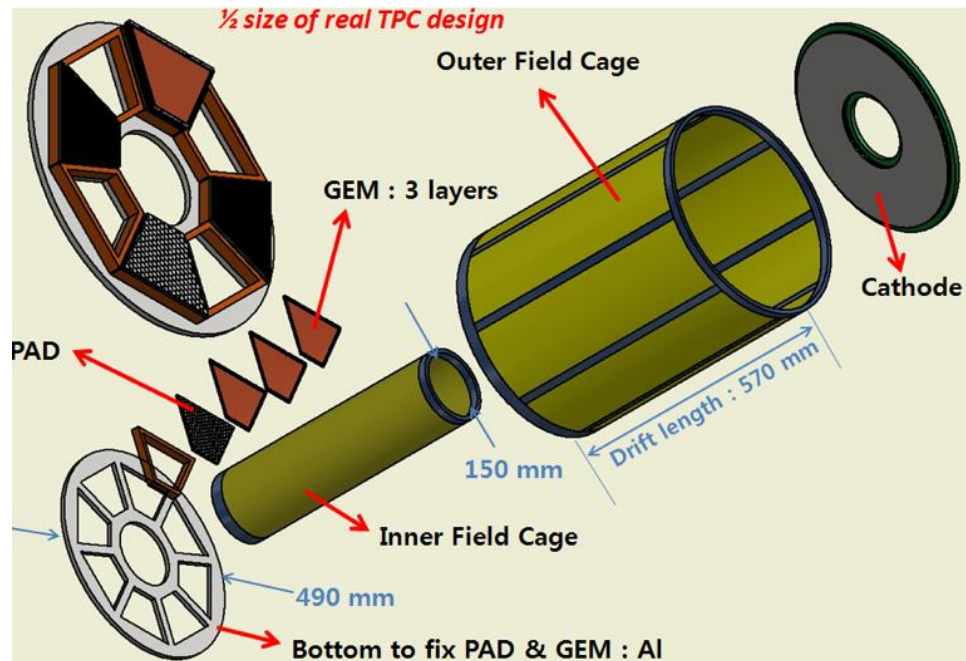




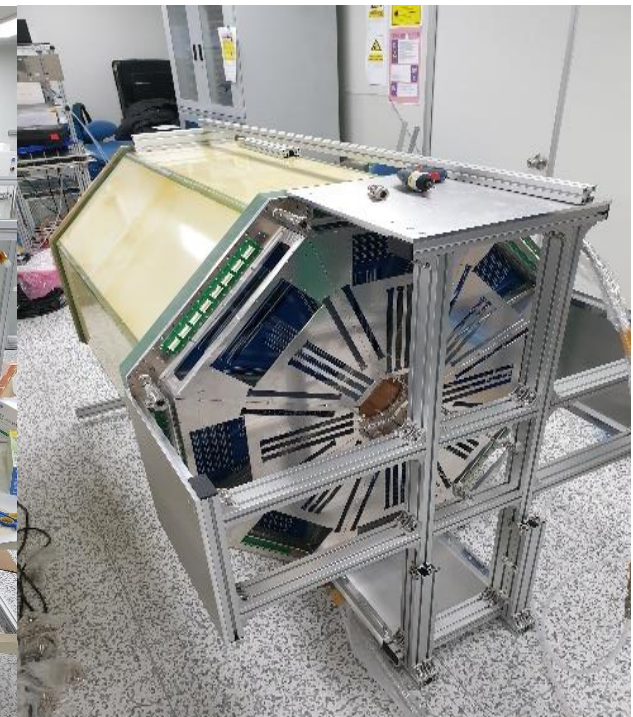
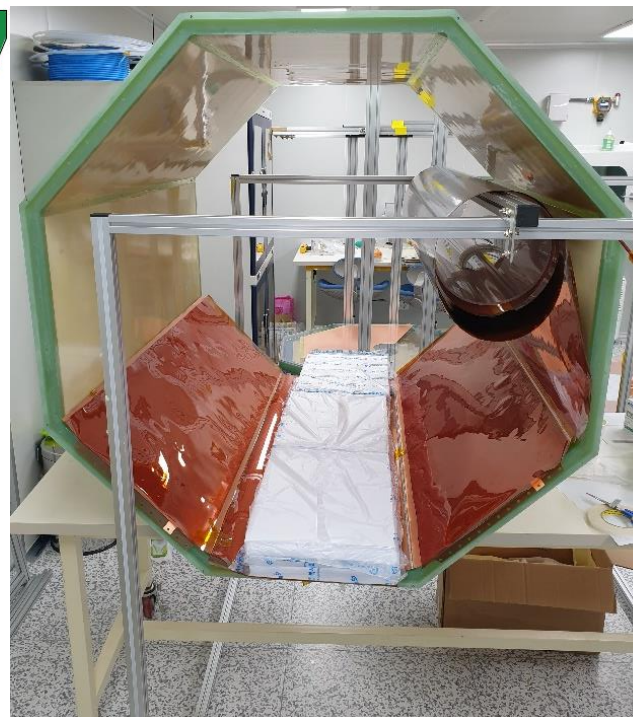
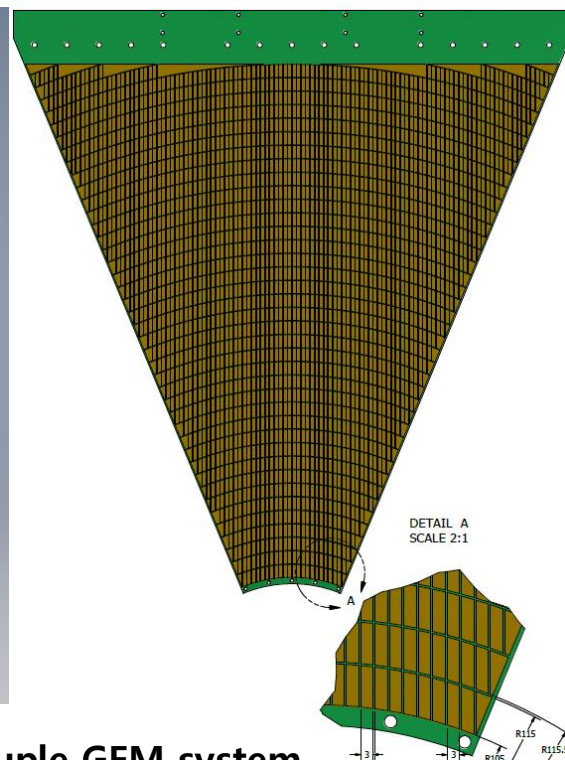
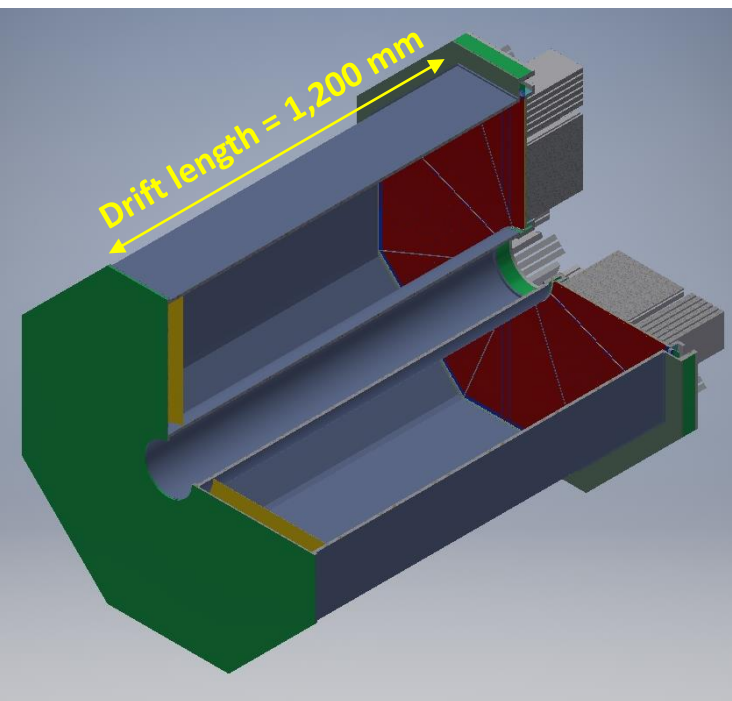
- **Large Acceptance Multi-Purpose Spectrometer**

- Beam energies up to 250 MeV/u for  $^{132}\text{Sn}$  with high intensity
- Comprehensive detector system to investigate EoS and symmetry energy
- All detector components and magnet were already developed, manufactured, and assembled.
- Integration and commissioning of the whole LAMPS system is being planned at the end of 2022.



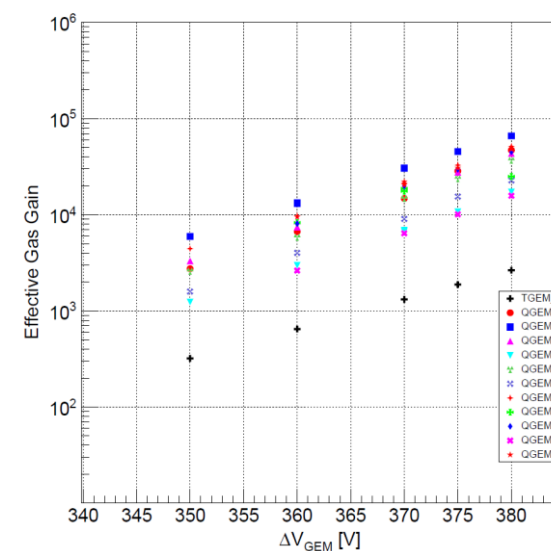
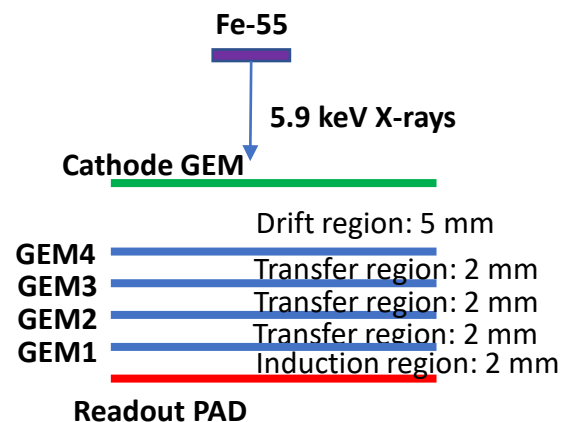
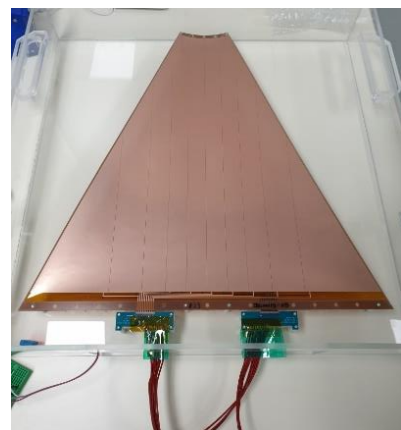






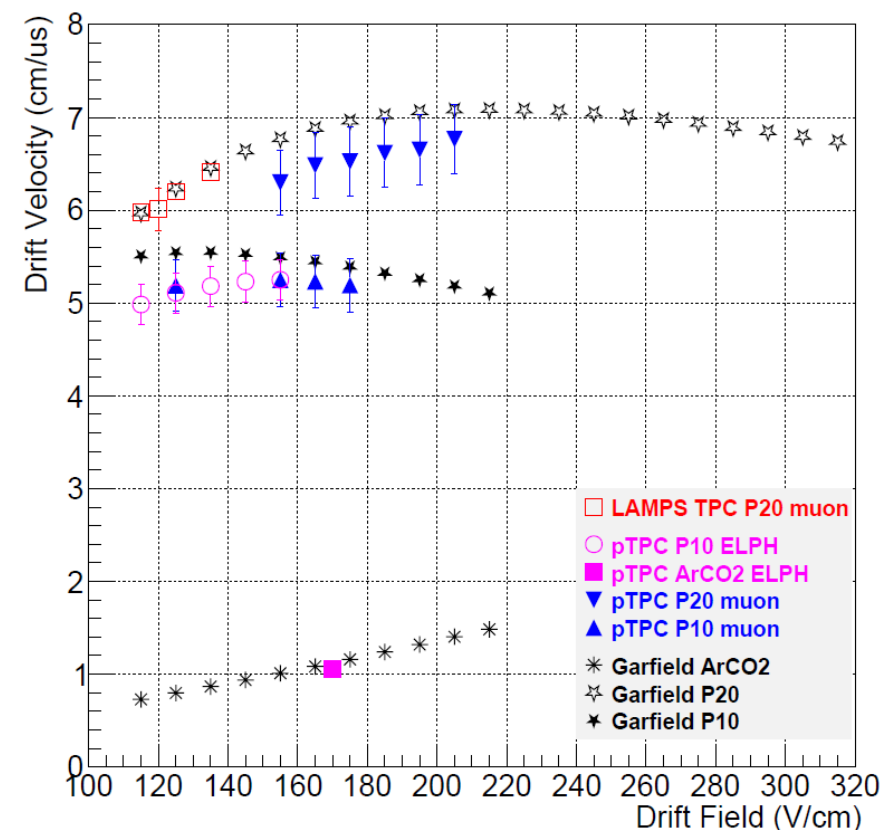
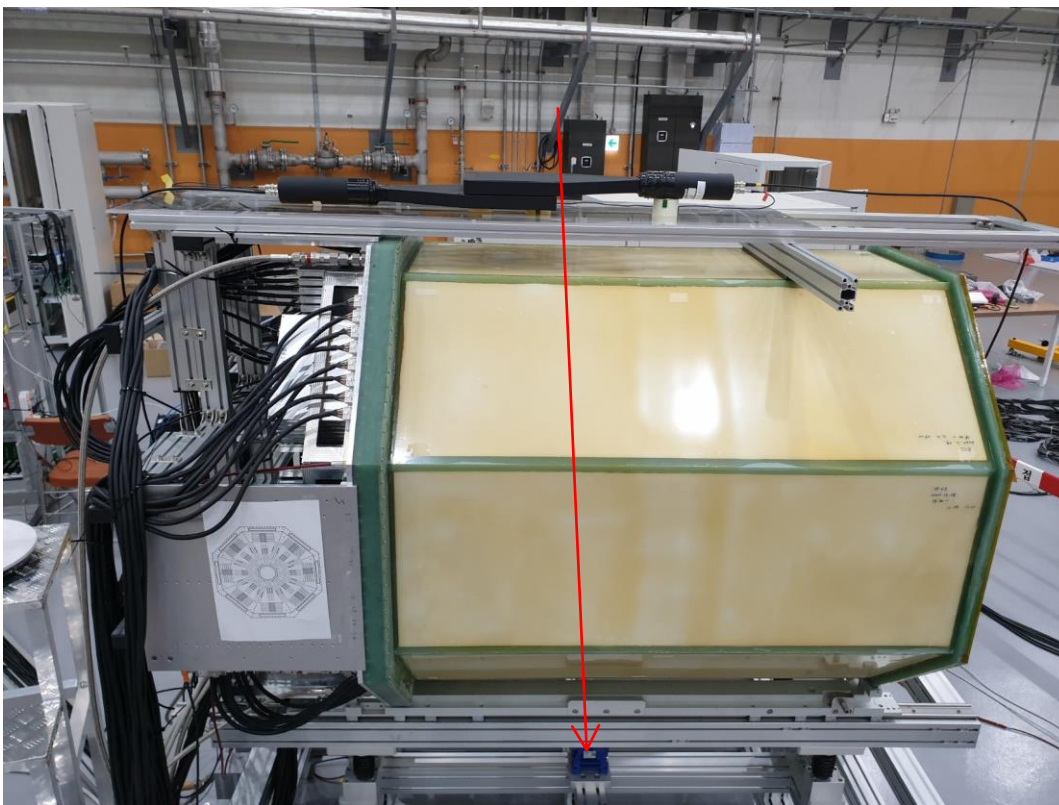
- Pad Dim.:  $3 \times 10 \text{ mm}^2$
- Ch. #: 2,618/sector  
× 8 sectors = 21,584
- FEE (GET electronics):  
11 AsAD/sector  
× 8 sectors  
= 88 AsAD

## Quadruple GEM system

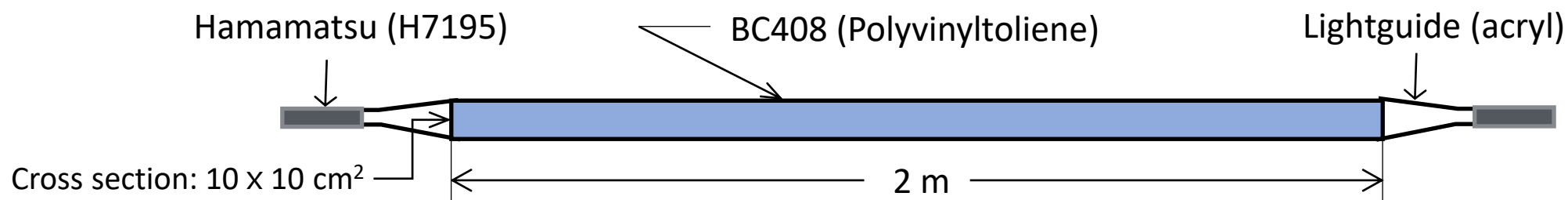
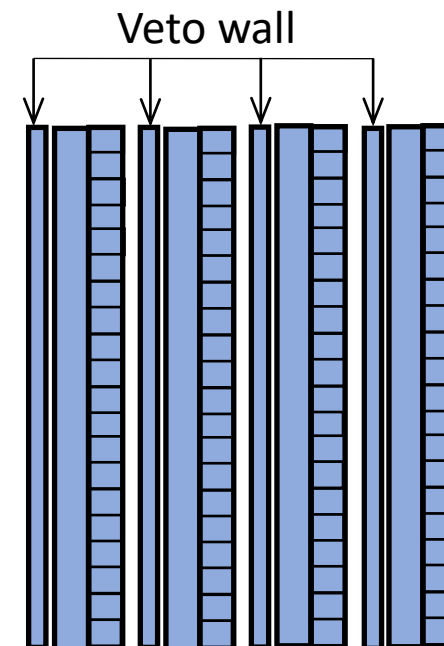
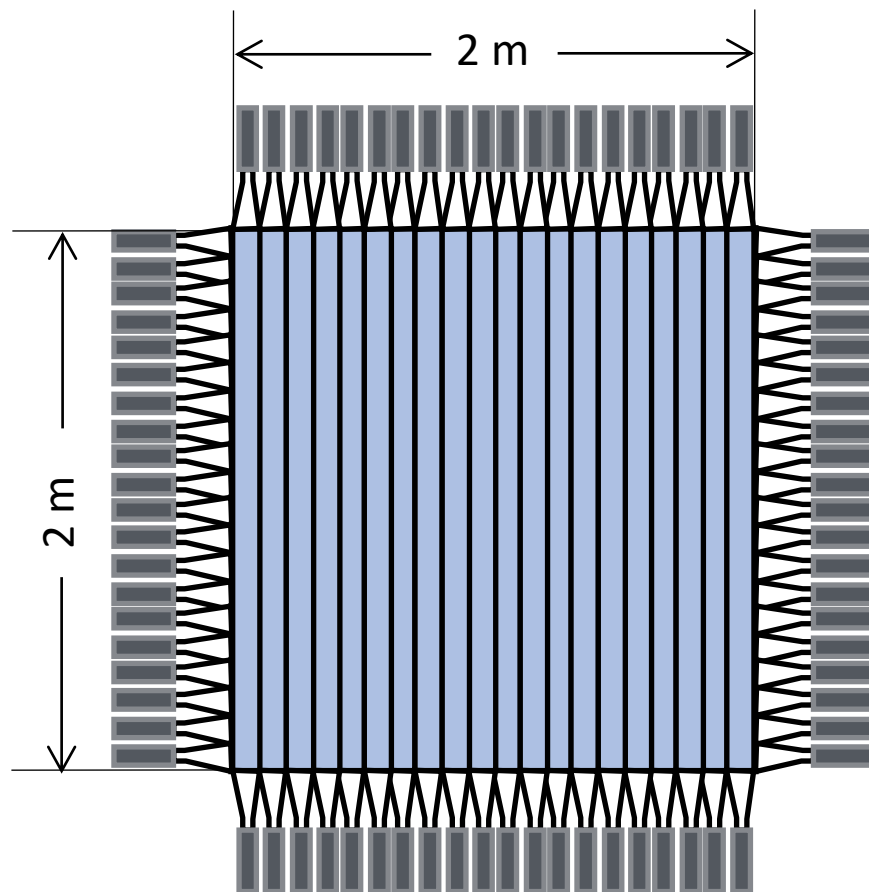


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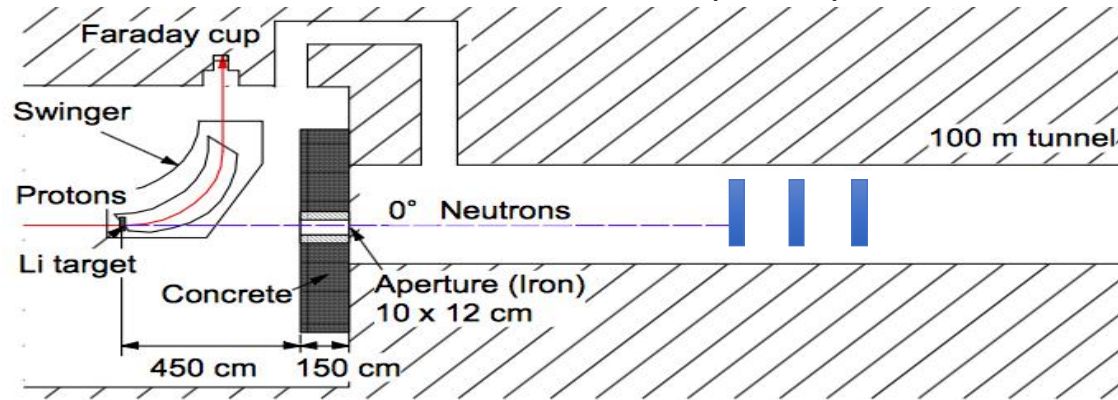
# Neutron Detector Array (NDA): Structure





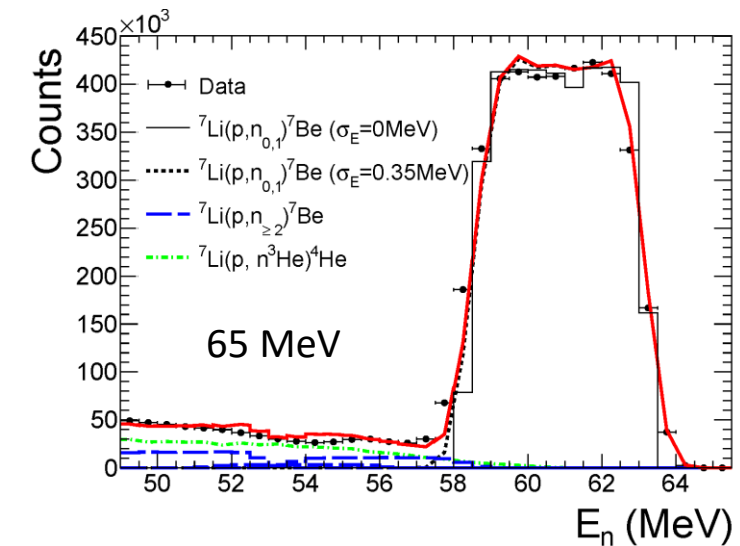
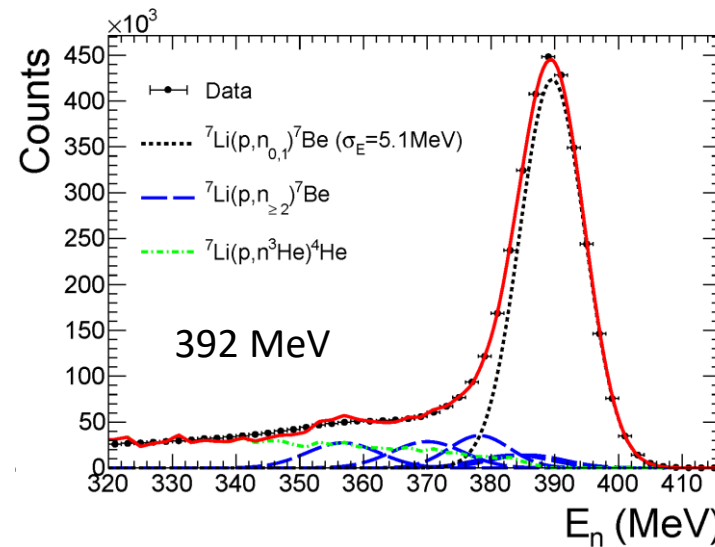
# NDA: Performance test with prototype

Beam test at RCNP (2016)



## ● Beam specifications

- Production reaction:  $p + {}^7\text{Li} \rightarrow n + {}^7\text{Be}$
- Neutron beam flux:  $1 \times 10^{10} \text{ n/sr}/\mu\text{C}$
- Neutron energy: 65 and 392 MeV
- Background neutrons above 3 MeV is  $< 1\%$  [NIMA 629, 43 (2011)]



- Significant energy-loss effect in the Li target at 65 MeV
- Low-energy background dominated by the 3-body decays,  ${}^7\text{Li}(p, n {}^3\text{He}) {}^4\text{He}$ , etc.
- Energy resolution (FWHM): 3.1% @ 392 MeV, 1.3% @ 65 MeV

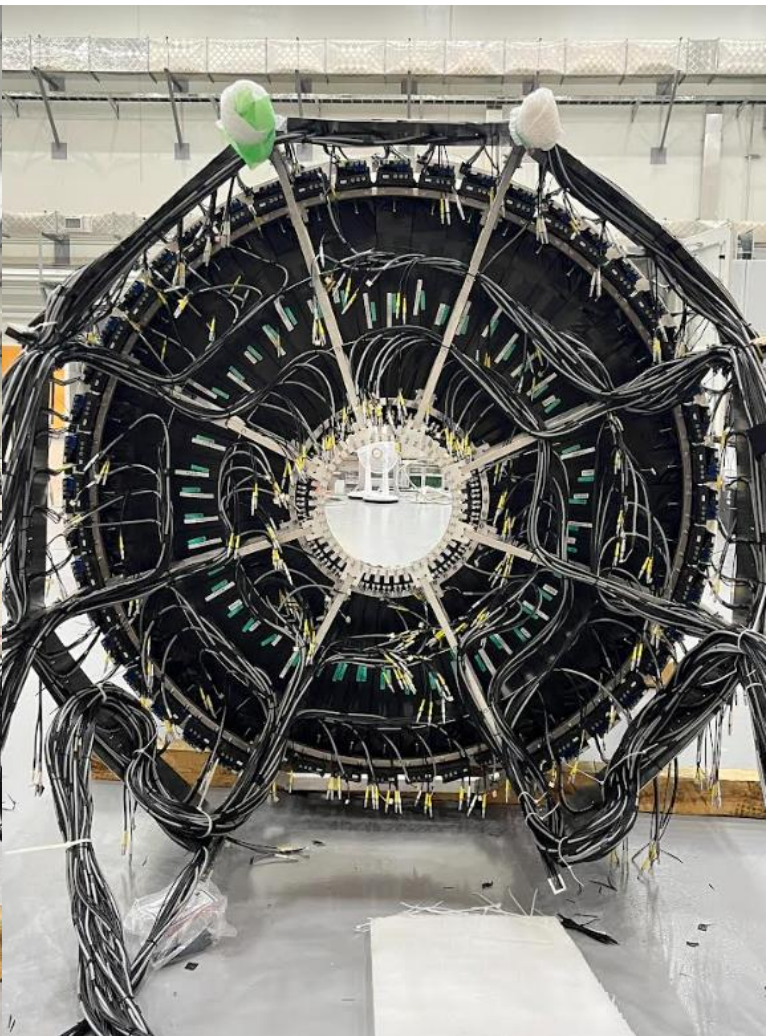
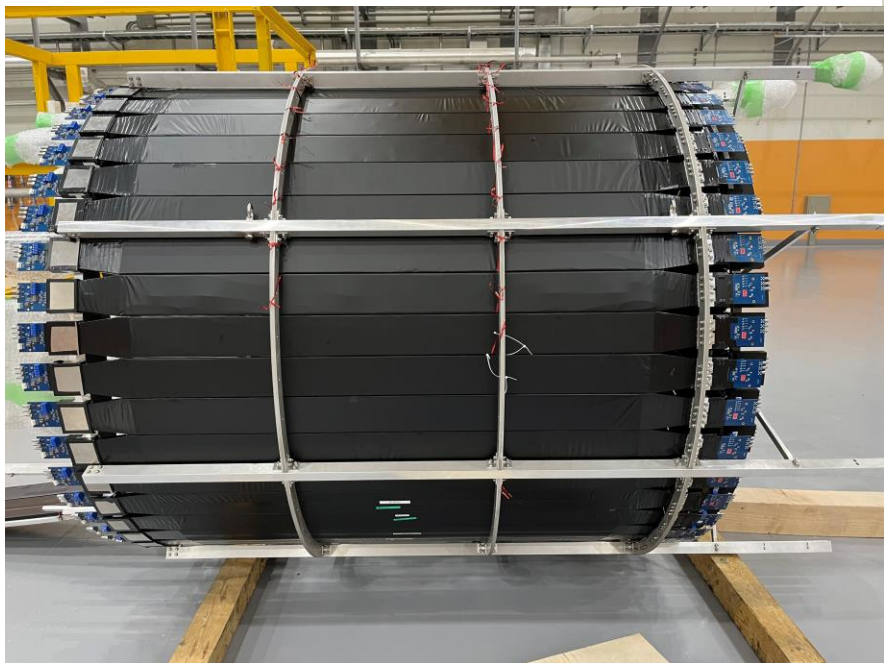


- Installation of all modules in the frame at the Sejong campus of Korea University in Dec. 2018.
- The full system was disassembled and transported to the RAON site in Mar. and assembled again in Sept. in 2022.
- The fully assembled system will take the cosmic rays again for testing the performance.



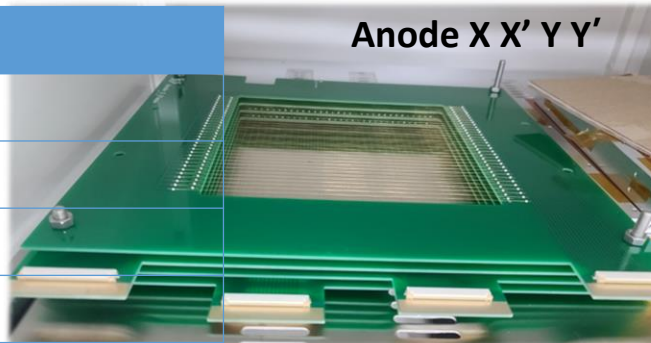


- Number of scintillators & dimensions:
  - BTOF: (48) 1500 X 90 X 10 mm<sup>3</sup> each
  - FTOF: (48) 500 X (90, 24) X 5 mm<sup>3</sup> each
- MPPC readout from both ends
- Installation completed in 2022
- The performance test with cosmic muons is in progress.

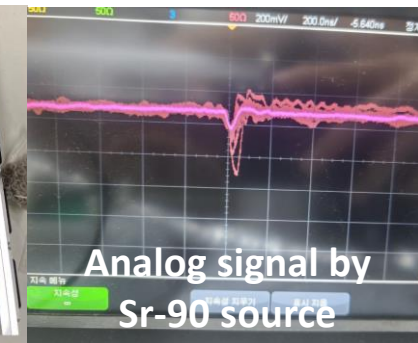
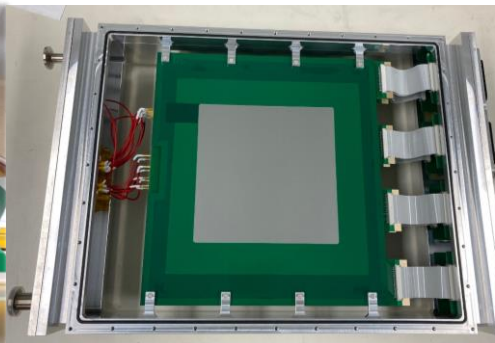




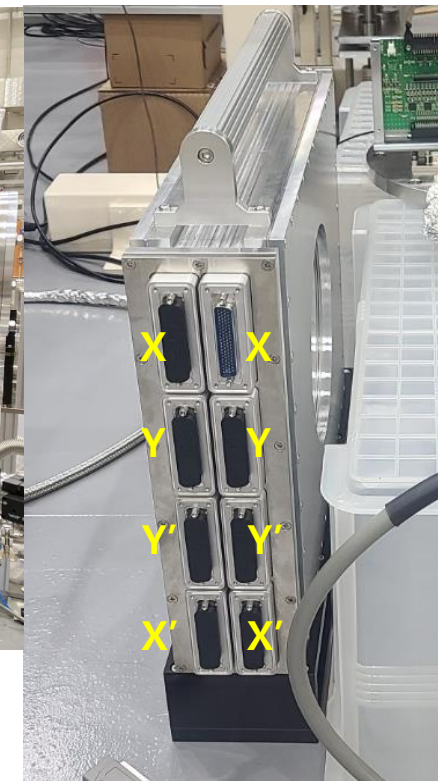
Parameter	Value
Anode wire	$\phi$ 20 $\mu\text{m}$ Au-W
Potential wire	$\phi$ 80 $\mu\text{m}$ Cu-Be or Au-W
Cathode	2 $\mu\text{m}$ -thick Al-mylar, 9 layers
Cell size	5 mm (max. drift length 2.5 mm)
Active area	170 x 170 mm <sup>2</sup>
Anode configuration	XX'YY'XX'YY', 8 layers
Number of channel	256 (32 wires/plane, 8 planes)
Operation gas	i-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> below 1 atm P10 (Ar 90% + CH <sub>4</sub> 10%) at 1 atm
High voltage	2 channels for cathode & potential wires
Readout	ASD(RP-2125)+TDC(V1190A)+QDC(V792)
Body dimension	490(L) x 360(H) x 100(W) mm <sup>3</sup>
Beam window (variable)	12 $\mu\text{m}$ Al-mylar (up to 20 kPa) 50 $\mu\text{m}$ Al-mylar (up to 50 kPa)



Anode X X' Y Y'

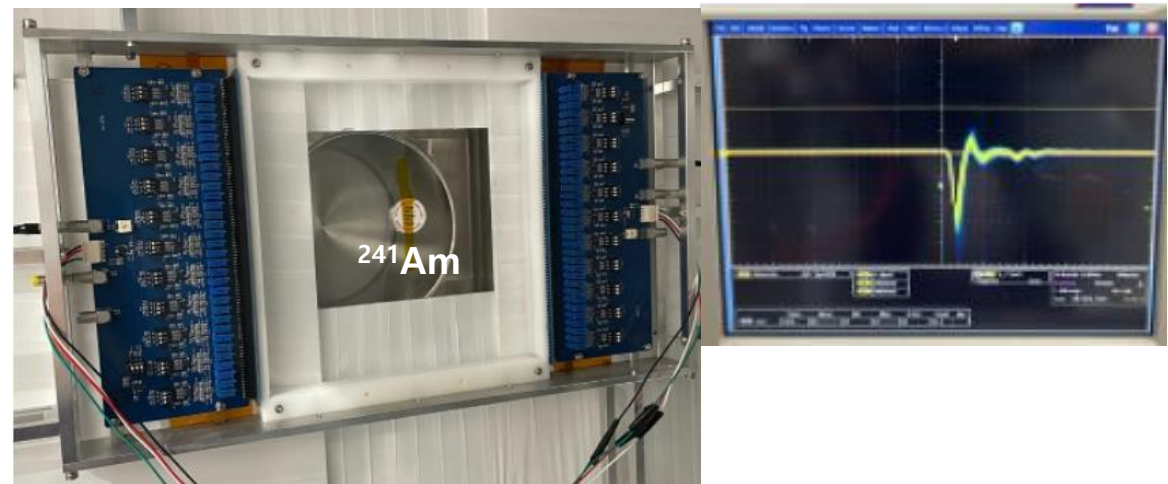
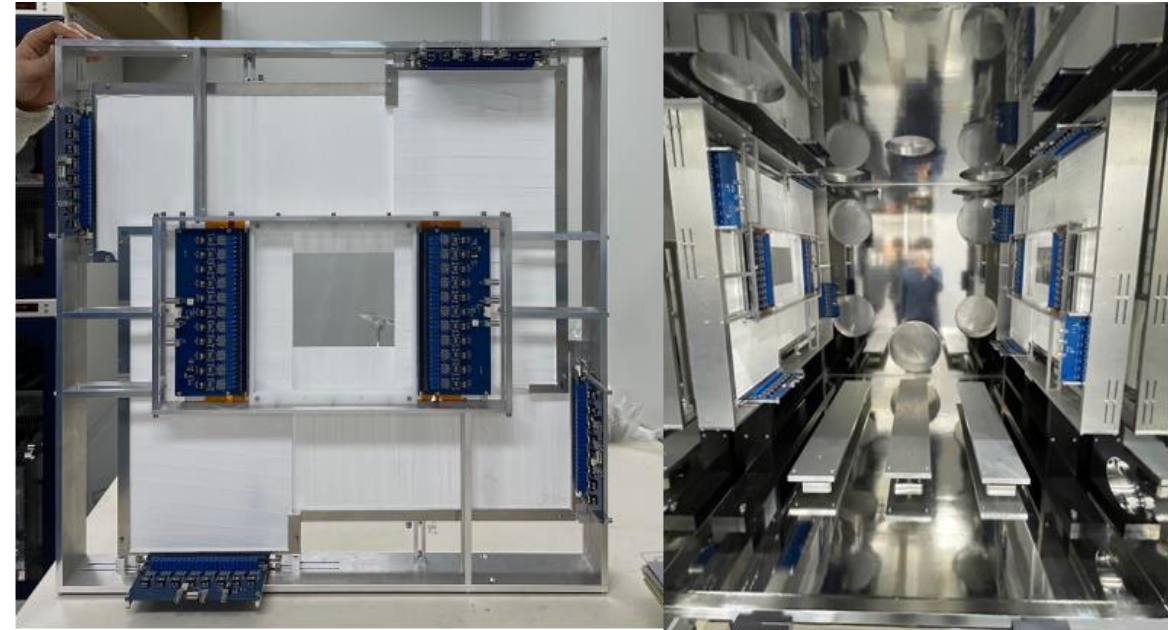


BDCs installed in the beam diagnostic vacuum chamber



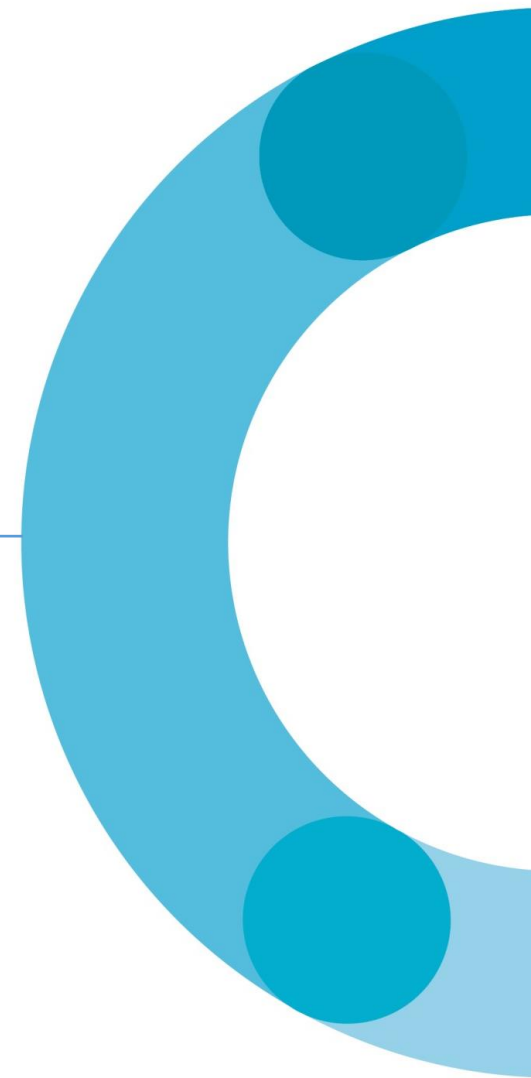
- HV & vacuum tests completed
- Preliminary results with the source demonstrated that the time resolution was  $\sim 80$  ps in  $\sigma$  (Goal: 100 ps).

- Primary function
  - Providing an accurate reference time ( $\sigma_t \lesssim 100$  ps) for entire experiment when actual beams arrive.
- Structure & dimensions
  - Two sets of (1 SC + 4 Veto counters)
  - SC: 210 X 210 X 0.2 mm<sup>3</sup> (Active area: 200 X 200 mm<sup>2</sup>)
  - Veto: 410 X 210 X 5 mm<sup>3</sup> (Adjustable area)
- Material
  - SC & Veto: EJ-230 polytoluene-based scintillator
  - Lights collected by MPPC on a sensor board
    - 2 sensor boards on a SC scintillator & 1 board for Veto
    - 33 MPPCs on a sensor board for SC & 24 MPPCs for Veto
- Electronics
  - Conventional CAEN TDC, QDC for the time and charge information
- Installation &  $\alpha$  source (<sup>241</sup>Am) test
  - Full system installed in the vacuum chamber
  - $\sigma_t \sim 130$  ps  $\rightarrow$  Using two SC's,  $\sim 92$  ps is achievable.



# Part 4.

Low-energy detectors





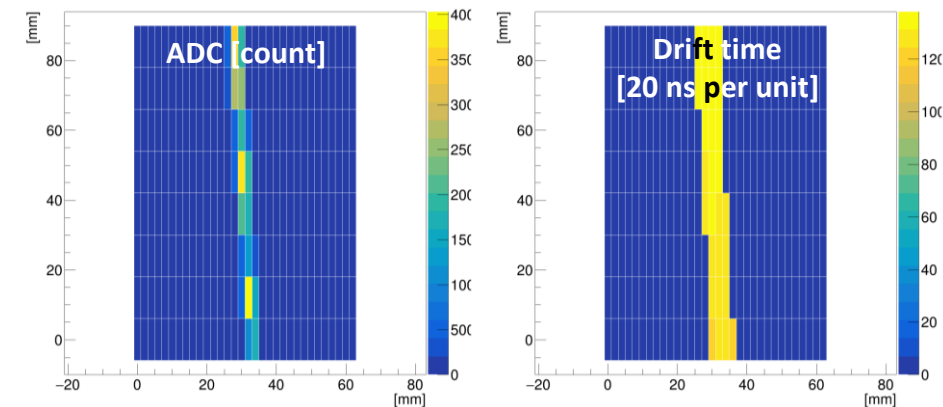
- Superconducting magnet
  - $B_{max} = 1.5$  T
  - Diameter & length of the detector space = 60 cm each
  - Conductive cooling
  - Construction done in 2019



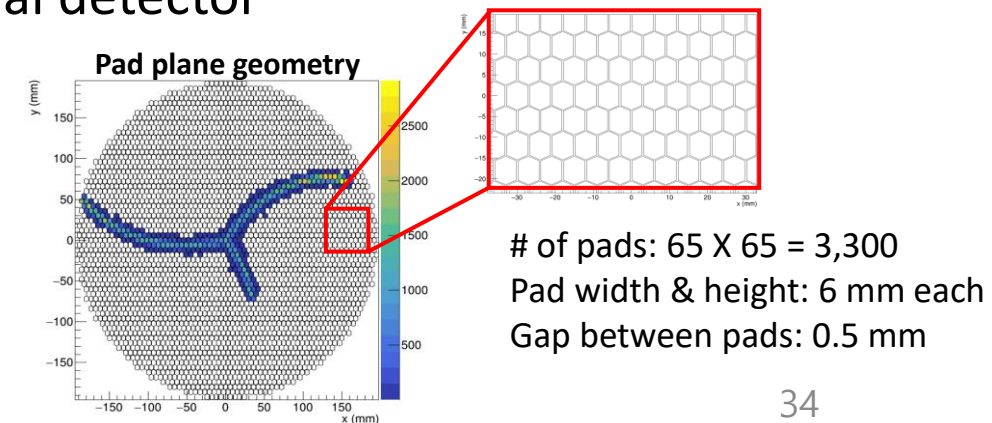
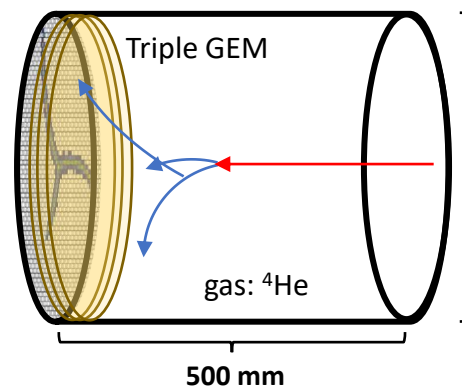
- AT-TPC: Construction of prototype
  - # of pads:  $64 \times 16 = 1024$
  - Pad size:  $1.9 \times 11.9$  mm<sup>2</sup> (gap between pads: 0.1 mm)
  - Performance test is on going using cosmic muons & alpha source.
  - Beam test using  $(\alpha, p)$  reaction at CRIB is forseen in 2023.



Event display for cosmic muon events

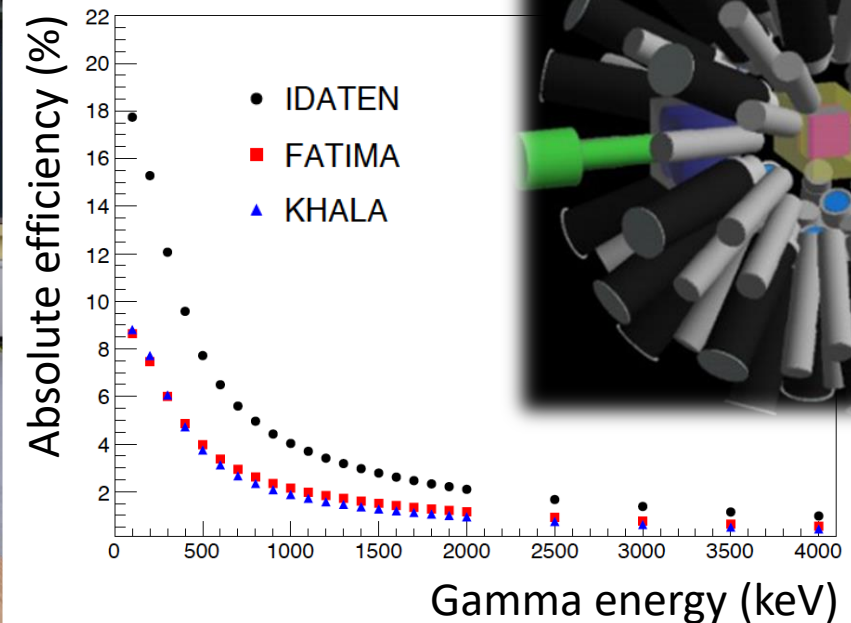
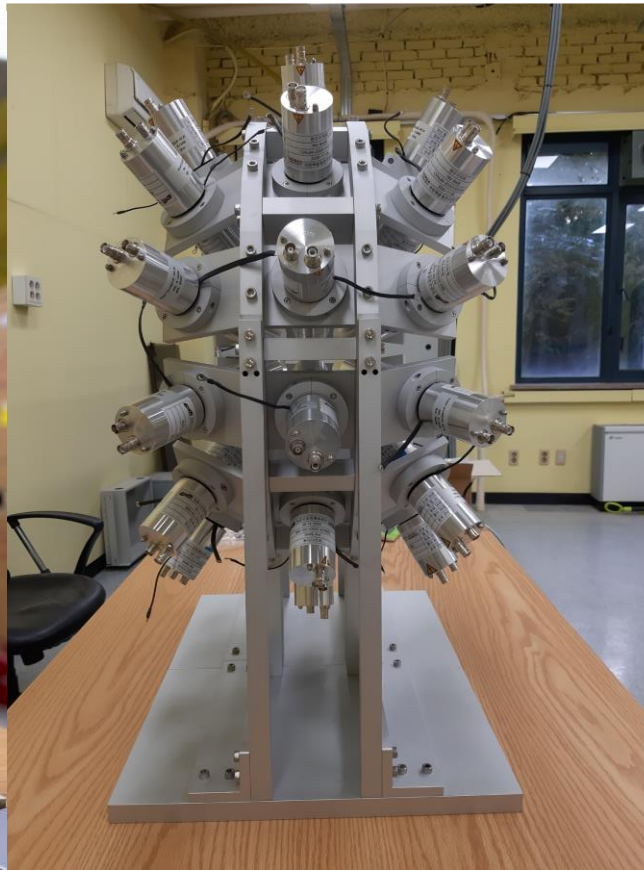


- AT-TPC: Design of real detector

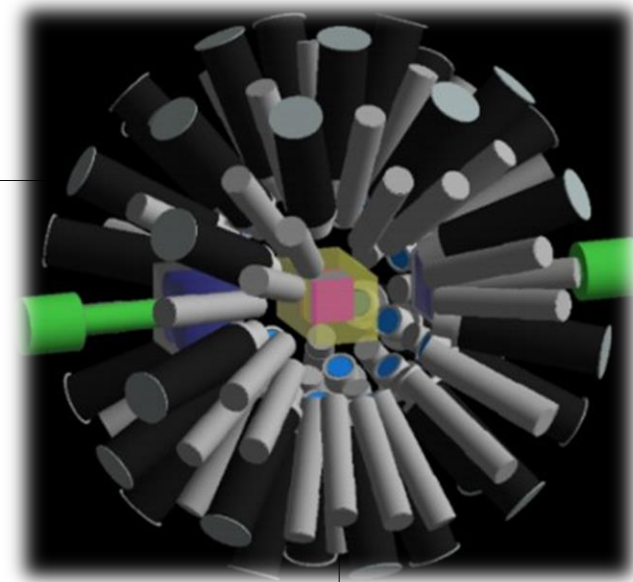


- KHALA: Korea High-resolution Array of  $\text{LaBr}_3(\text{Ce})$
- Total 36 [ $\text{LaBr}_3(\text{Ce})$ +PMT] modules
- $R_t < 150$  ps (fast timing measurement),  $R_E < 3.5\%$
- Formed IDATEN Collaboration = KHALA at CENuM + FATIMA in Europe.
  - IDATEN will perform extensive campaign experiments at RIBF in 2023.

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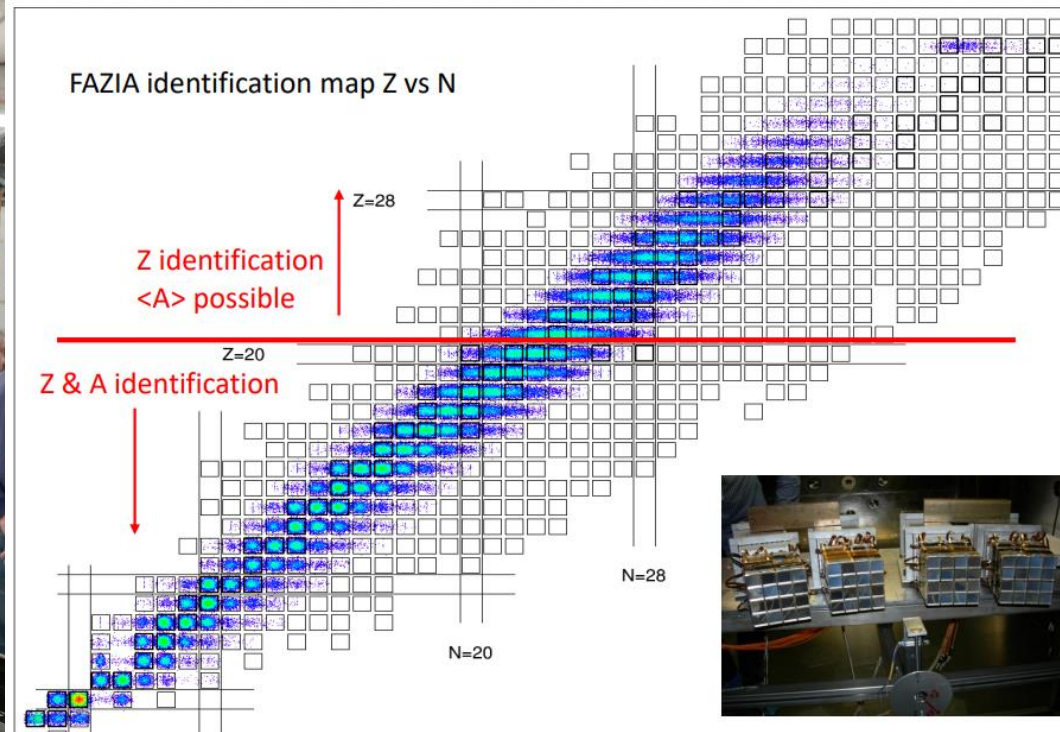




- FAZIA: A charged-particle detector for heavy-ion collisions at intermediate beam energies
- Each telescope consists of  $\text{Si}_1 + \text{Si}_2 + \text{Csl}$  with cross-sectional dimensions of  $2 \times 2 \text{ cm}^2$ .
- New Si detectors and electronics are being developed in Korea.



PID from  $^{80}\text{Kr} + ^{40-48}\text{Ca}$  at 35 AMeV in the IsoFAZIA experiment @ LNS, Catania in 2015



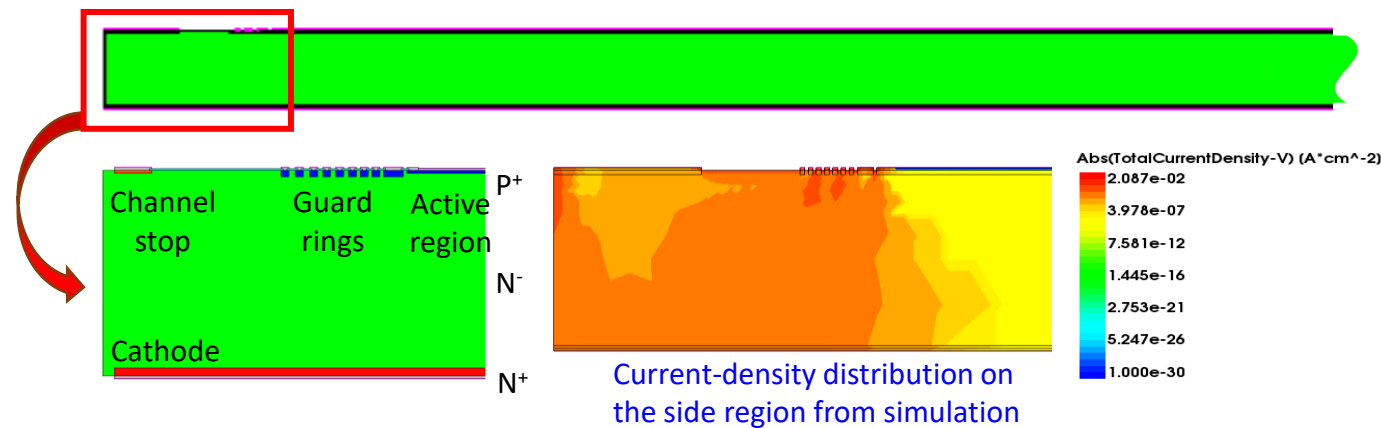
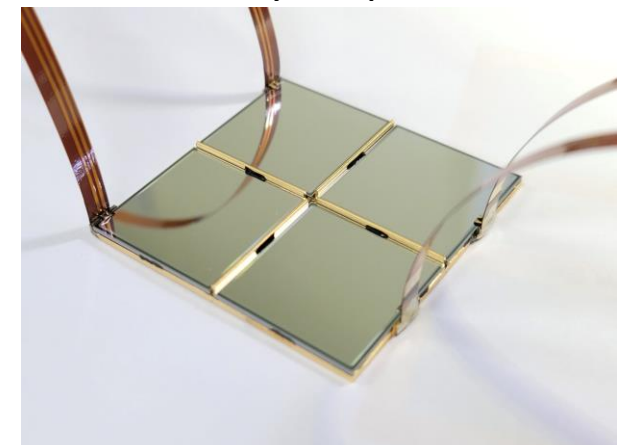
New 750  $\mu\text{m}$  thick Si detector modules  
(Processed in CiS, Germany)



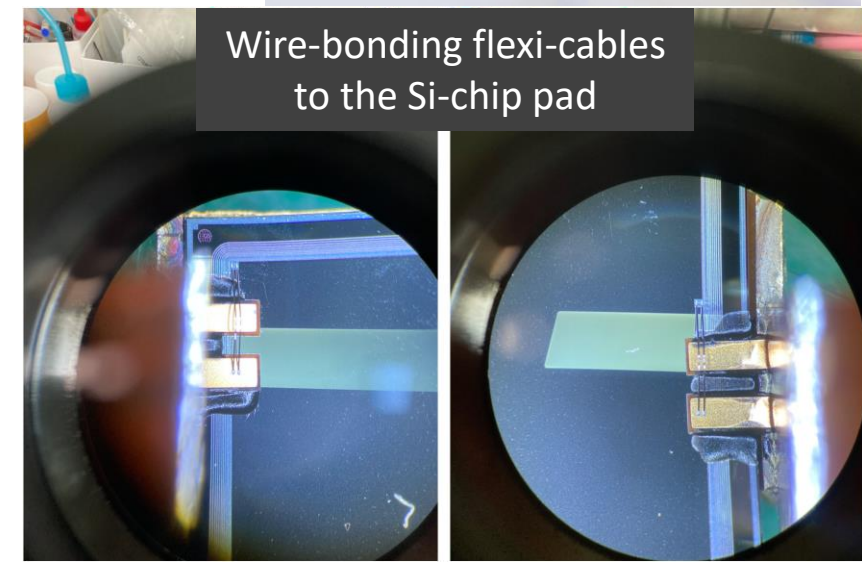


- Design and construction of the new (thick) Si detectors
  - The detailed structure, dimensions, and doping profiles are finalized by intense simulations.
  - Low total current,  $\mathcal{O}(10 \text{ nA})$ , is expected in the working-voltage region.
  - Si wafers are being processed at ETRI in Korea.
- Development of the new FEE card
  - Original schematics were provided by the FAZIA Collaboration.
  - Several changes were implemented for more effective functioning.
- The next step is to design and produce the  $150 \mu\text{m}$  thick detectors.

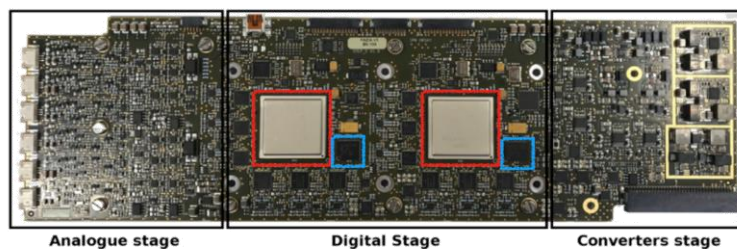
Assembly of quartetto



Wire-bonding flexi-cables to the Si-chip pad



FAZIA / FEE(Front-End Electronics) Old Card



New FEE card produced in Korea



# Part 5.

## Summary

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- Purpose of LAMPS
  - Detailed investigation of *nuclear equation of state (EoS)*
  - Precise measurement of *symmetry energy* as a function of the baryon density
  - *Structure of exotic nuclei*
- Status of the LAMPS detector system
  - All detector systems were developed, manufactured and assembled.
  - The performance tests with cosmic muons and radiation sources are in progress.
  - *First machine commissioning of the integrated LAMPS system with the trigger electronics is expected in the end of 2022.*
- Plan
  - In the beginning we will concentrate on the low-energy experiments because the high-energy beams from RAON will be available in 2029 or later.
  - We will have a meeting soon to discuss what to do with LAMPS until the high-energy beams are available.