

# Atomic Physics at GSI: An Outlook

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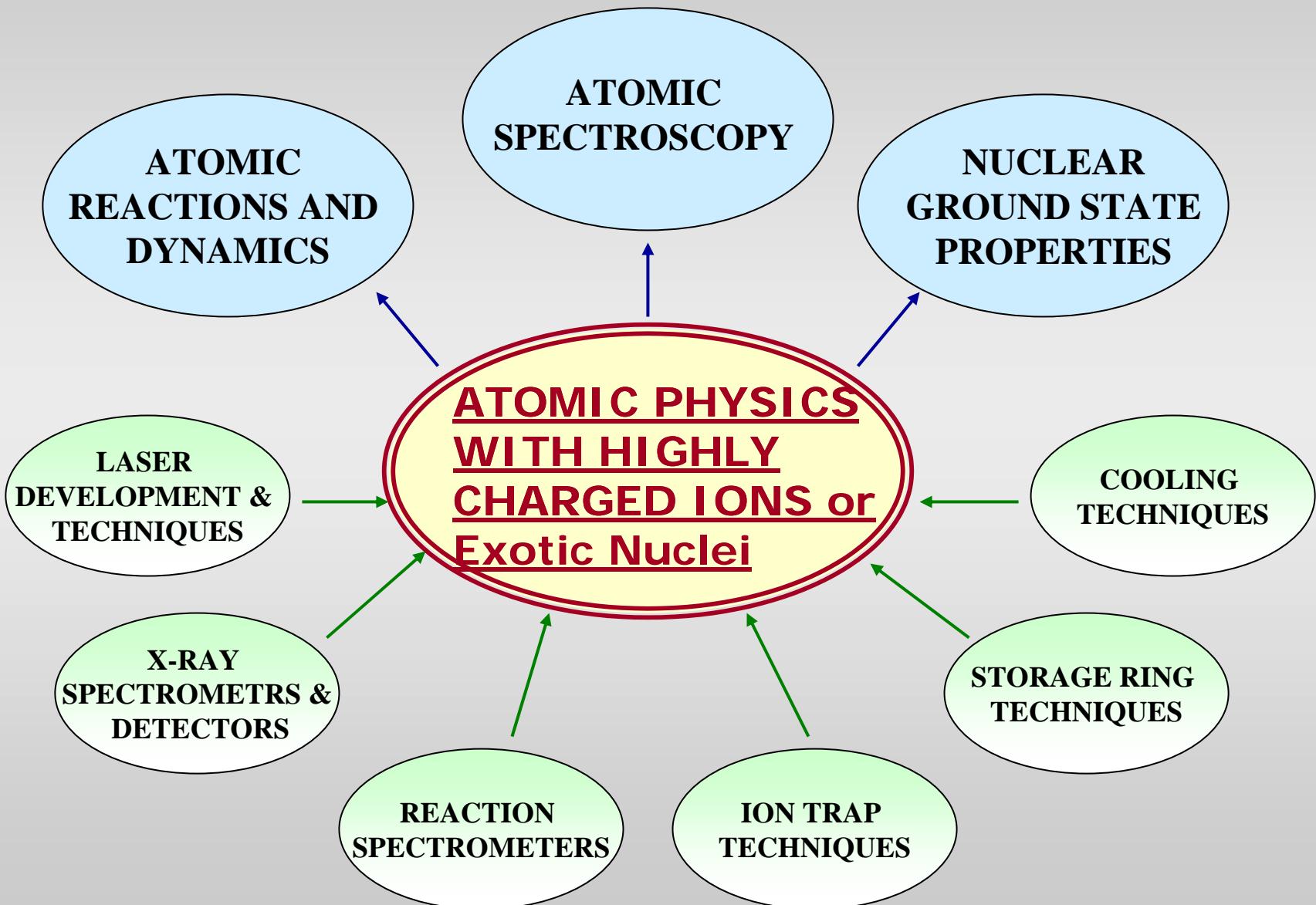
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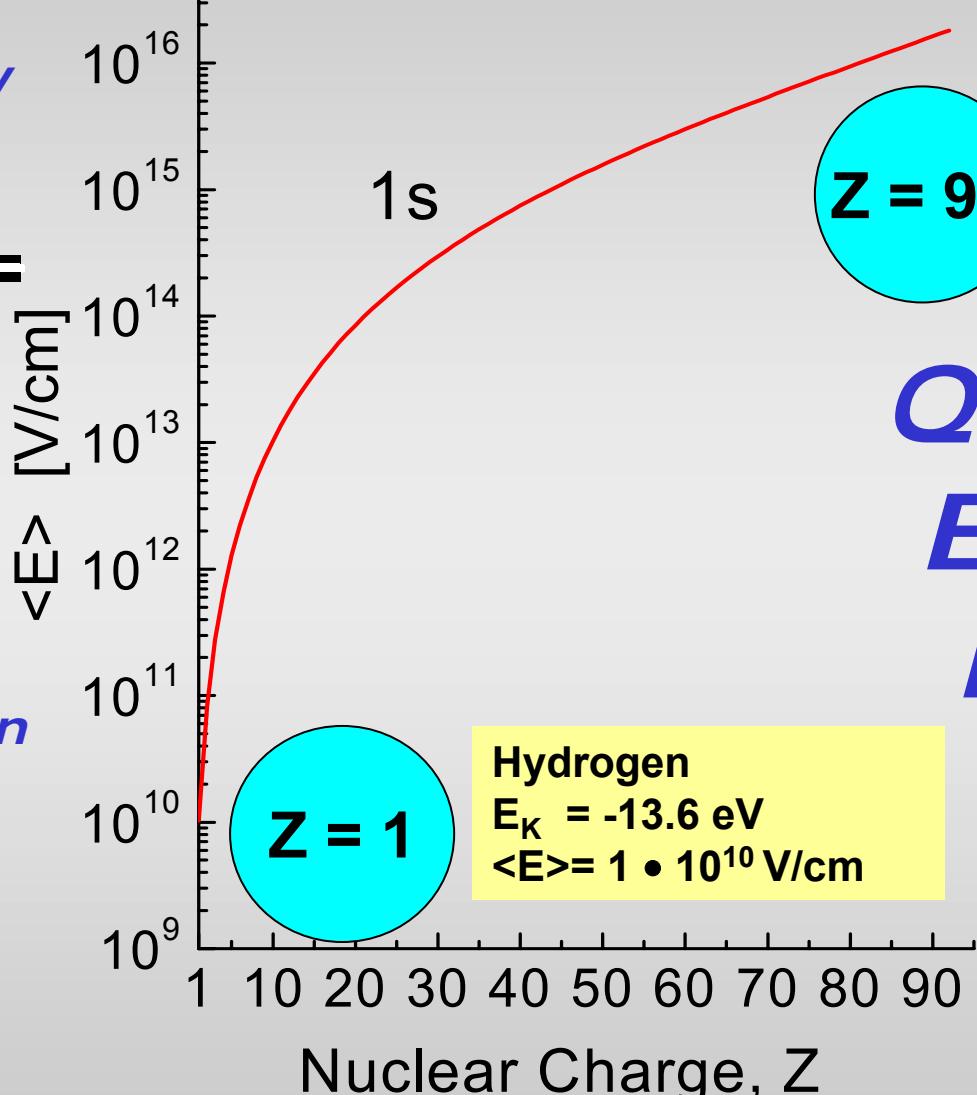
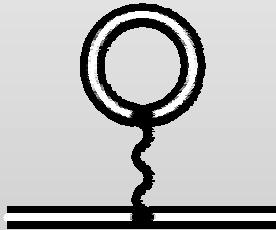
# Atomic Physics at Accelerators



*Self Energy*



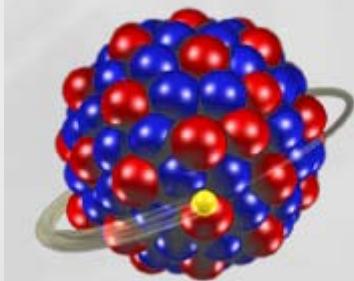
*Vacuum  
Polarization*



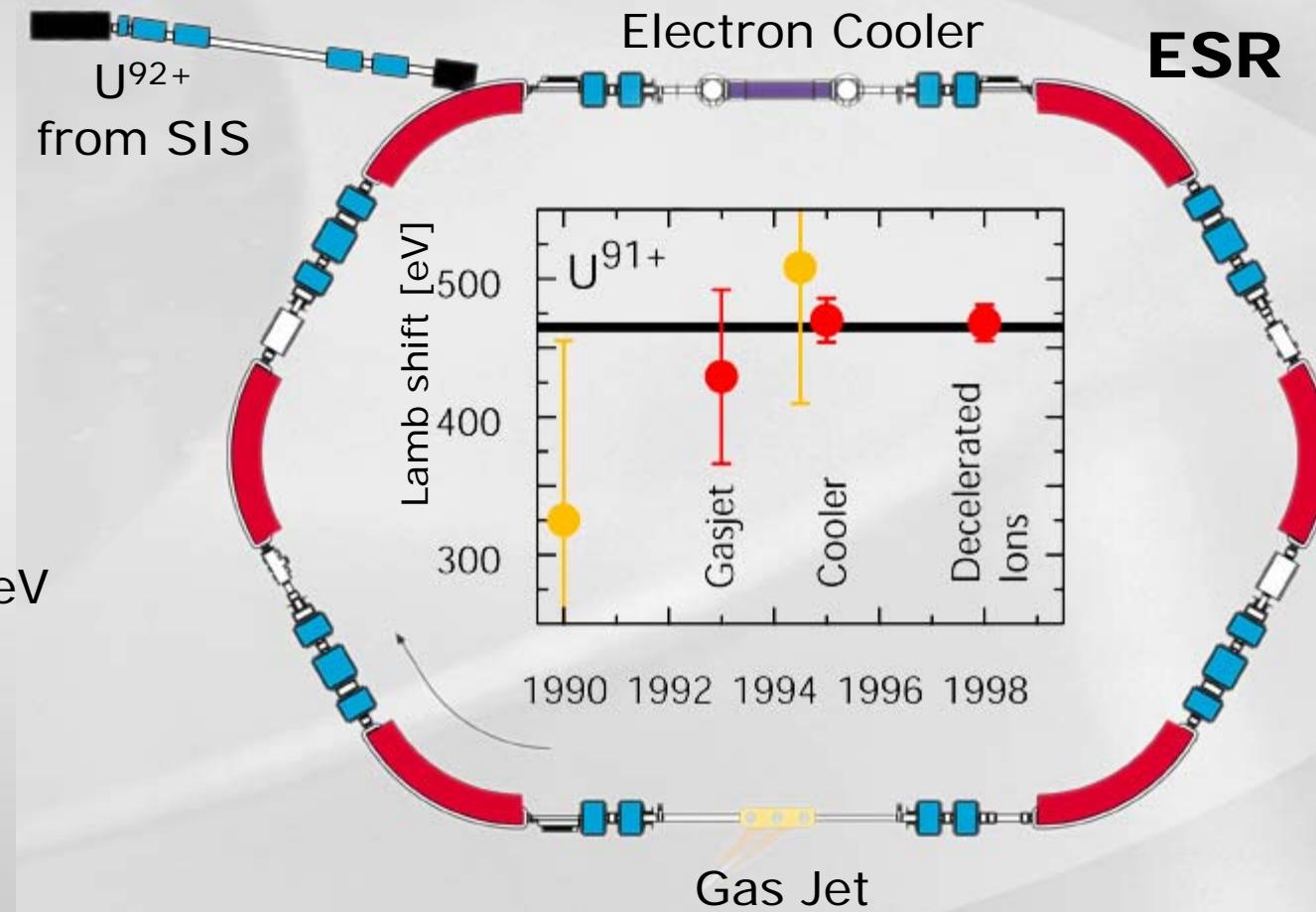
**Quantum  
Electro-  
Dynamics**

*1s-ground state: increase of the electric field strength by six orders of magnitude*

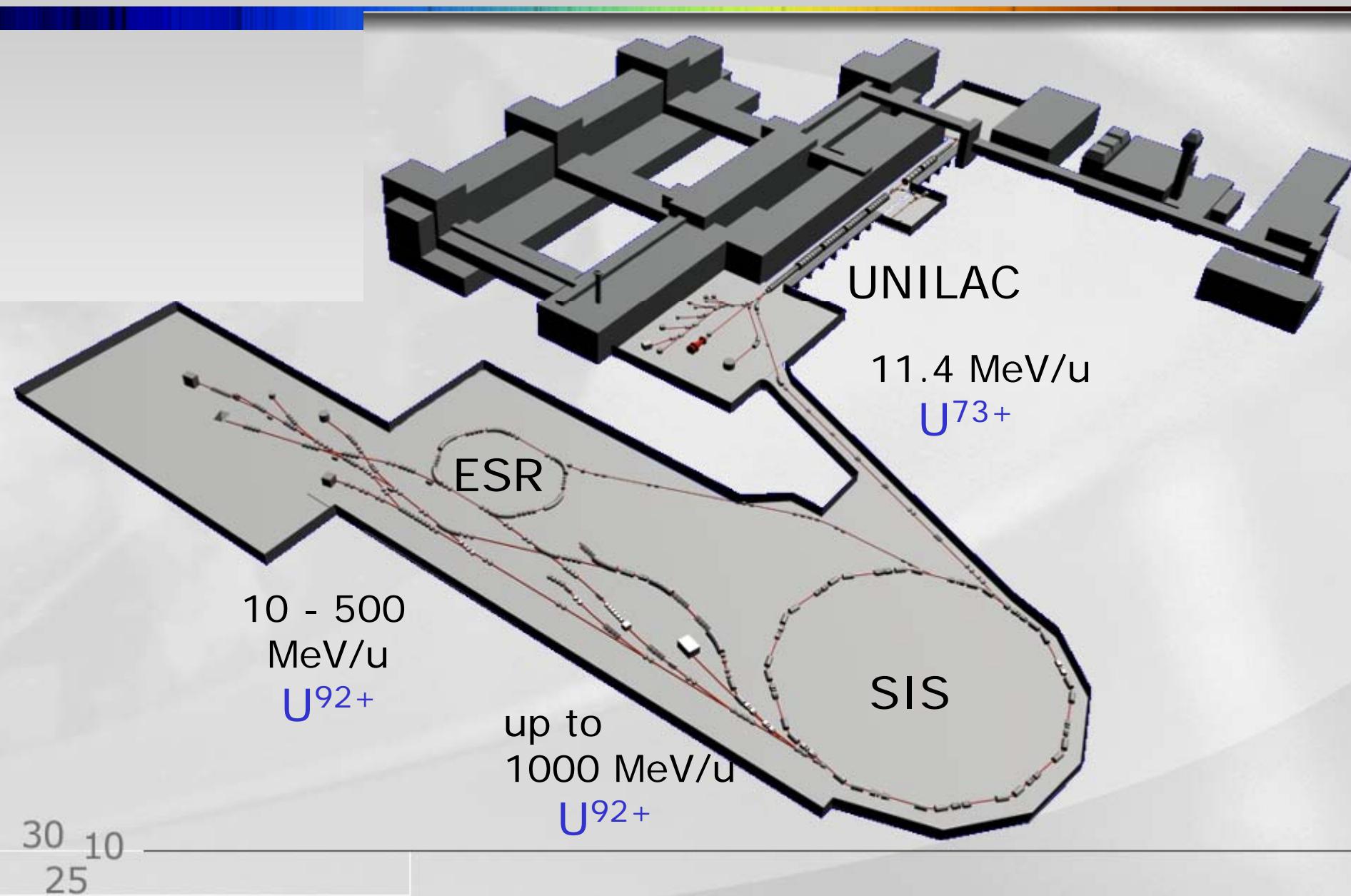
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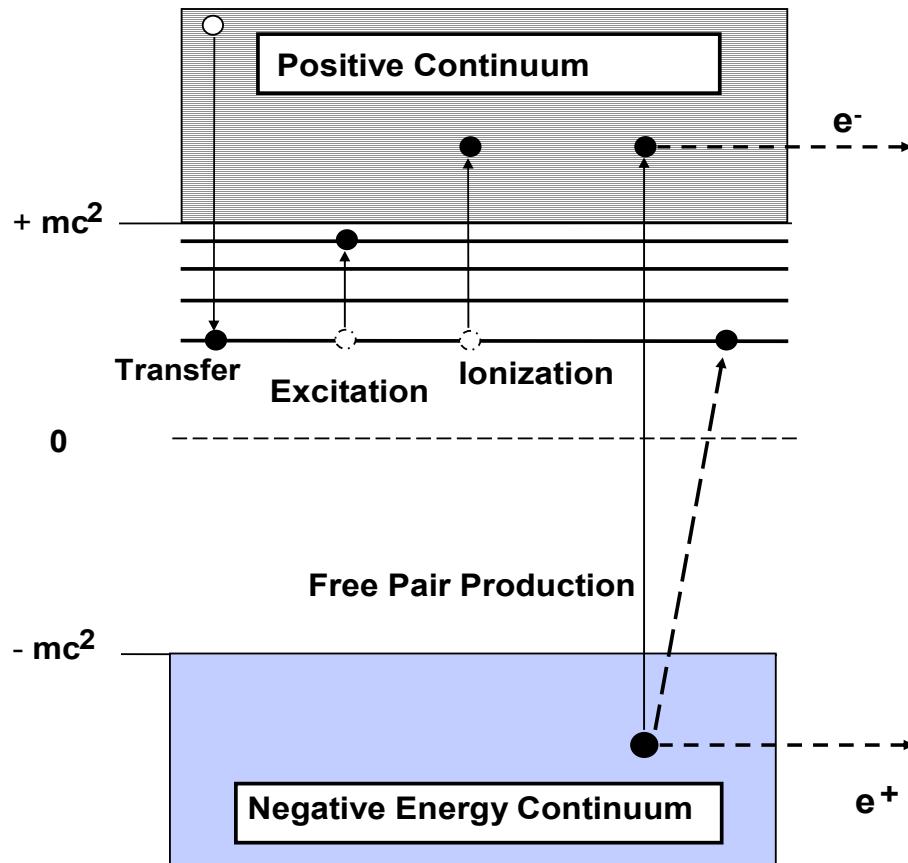


# GSI-Accelerator Facility

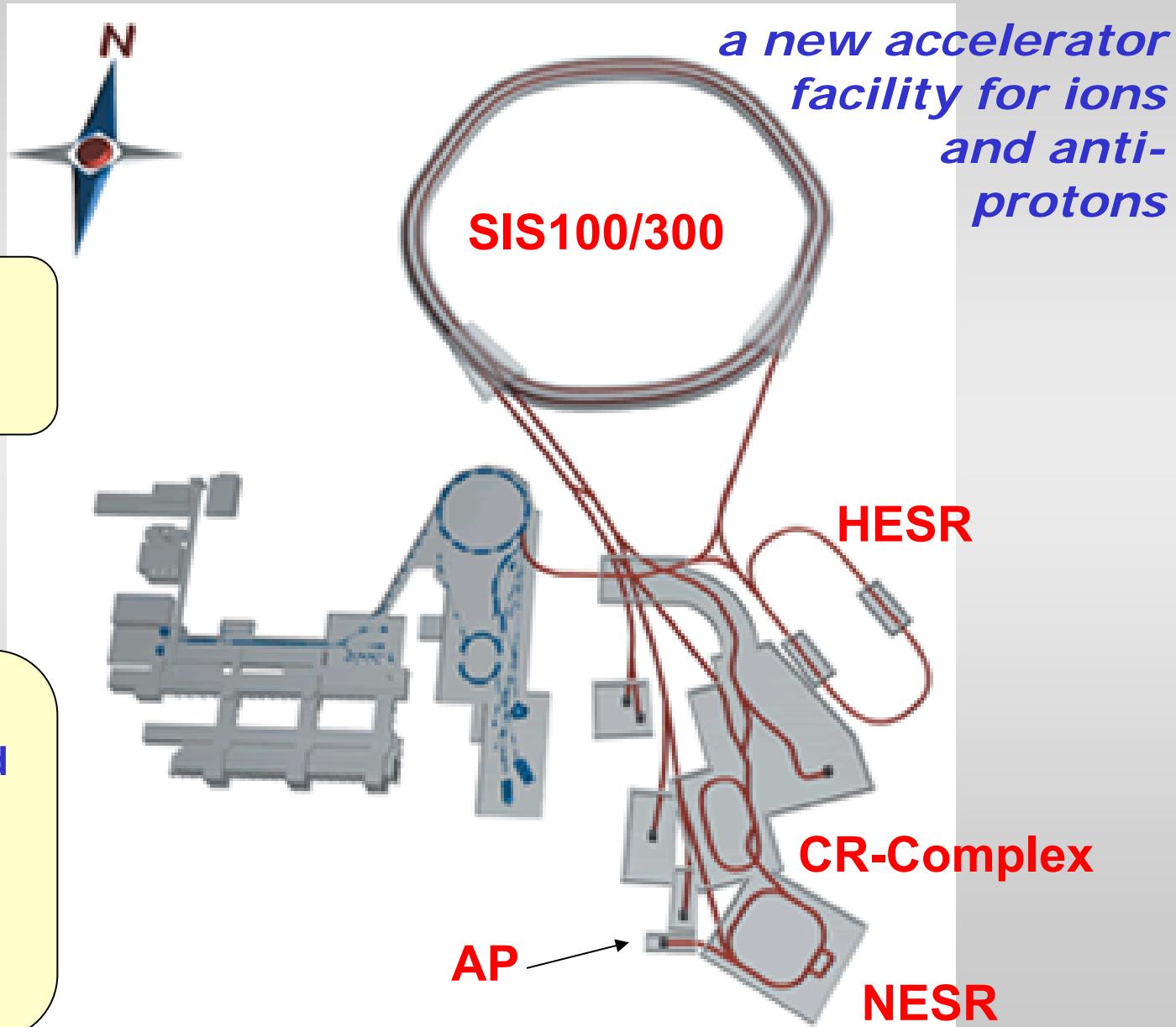


## High- $\gamma$

Collision times in the sub-attosecond regime  
 $(10^{-22} \text{ s} < t < 10^{-18} \text{ s})$



# The New GSI Accelerator Project



**Relativistic Collision Dynamics in Strong Electromagnetic Fields**

**Test of Quantum Electrodynamics in Strong Fields**

**Atomic Physics Techniques Applied  
to Nuclear Physics**

**Atomic Physics Techniques Applied to  
Fundamental Tests other than QED**

**Ions and Electrons in Highly-Intense,  
Femtosecond Laser Fields**

## High Energy Synchrotron (SIS100/300)

Parameter  
90 GeV protons  
 $34 \text{ GeV/u } U^{92+}$

laser ion-beam  
interaction zone  
  
high-energy cave

## New Fragment Separator (SFRS) [production of fragment beams]

## Collector Ring Complex (CR) [stochastic cooling for fragment beams]

## New Experimental Storage Ring (NESR) [energies between 840 MeV/u down to 3 MeV/u]

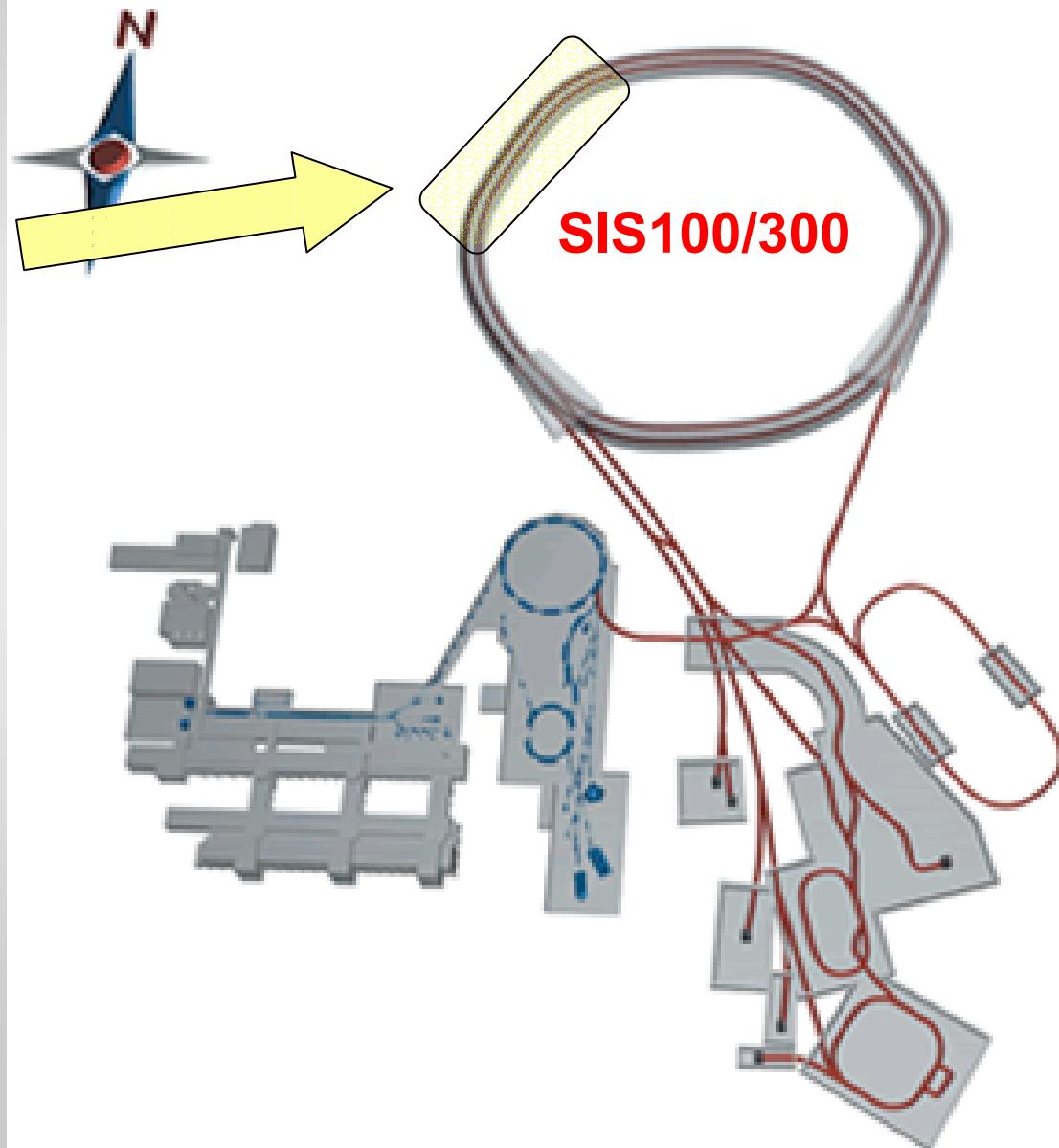
Internal and external  
installations

## High Energy Experimental Storage Ring (HESR) [for antiprotons at energies up to 14 GeV] Optional: heavy ions beams up to 6 GeV/u

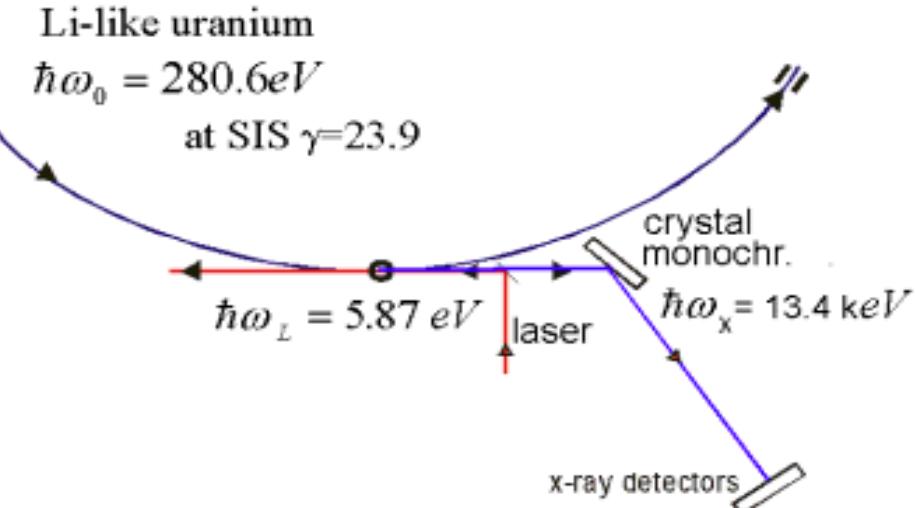
Optional: internal target  
experiments with HCl

# Laser Spectroscopy & Cooling at SIS 300

High Precision Laser Spectroscopy by using the large Lorentz energy shift at high  $\gamma$  values



## Precision Tests of QED in Strong Fields High-Z Li-Like Ions



Lab. System (laser)

$$\hbar\omega_L = 5.87\text{ eV}$$

$$\gamma=23.9$$

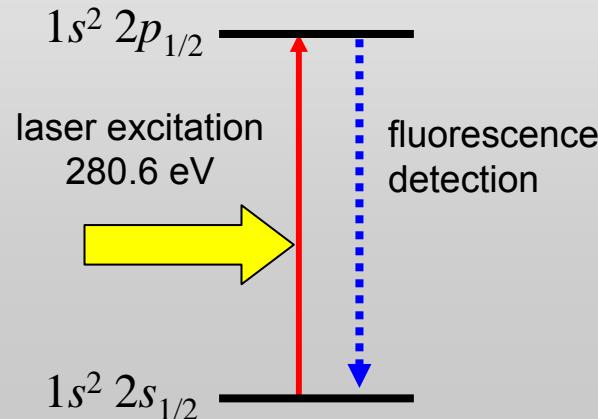
Projectile frame  
excitation

$$\hbar\omega_0 = 280.6\text{ eV}$$
  
fluorescence

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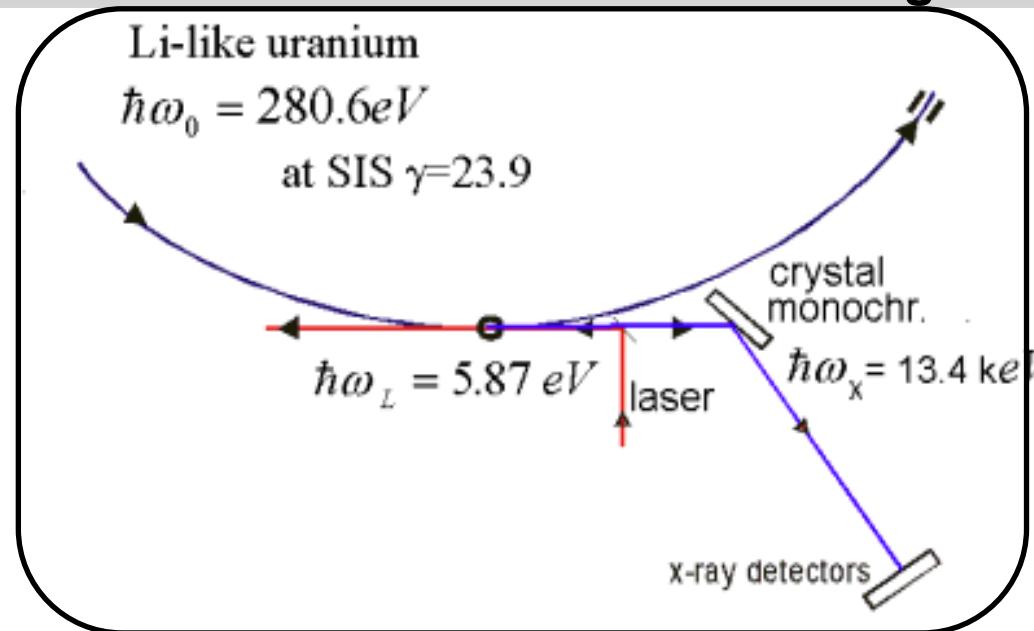
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$$\hbar\omega_x = 13384\text{ eV}$$



The **large Doppler shift** allows to use **visible laser sources** to excite transitions in the energy range up to **280 eV**, e.g. 2s-2p transitions in lithium-like heavy ions

## Precision Tests of QED in Strong Fields High-Z Li-Like ions



Expected accuracy for the  
280 eV transition: 0.007 eV  
(currently best value:  
 $280.59 \pm 0.09 \text{ eV}$ )

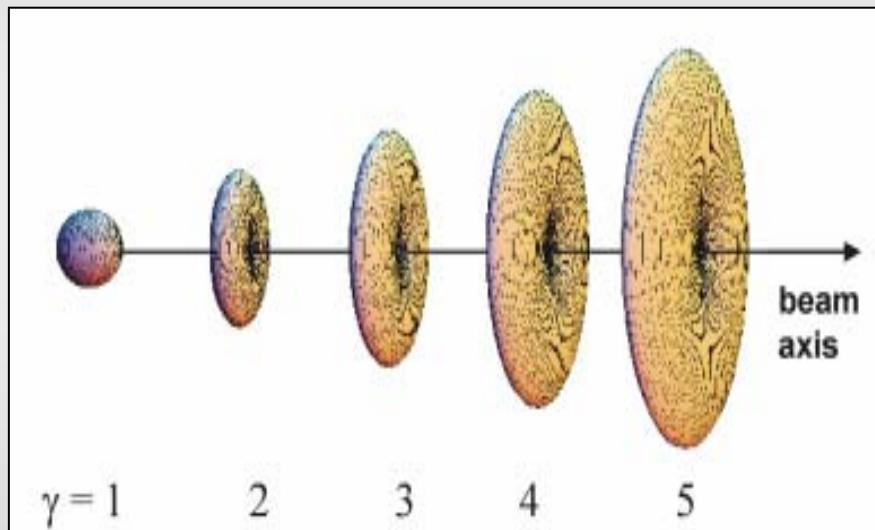
Only 100 ions are required

### Further Applications

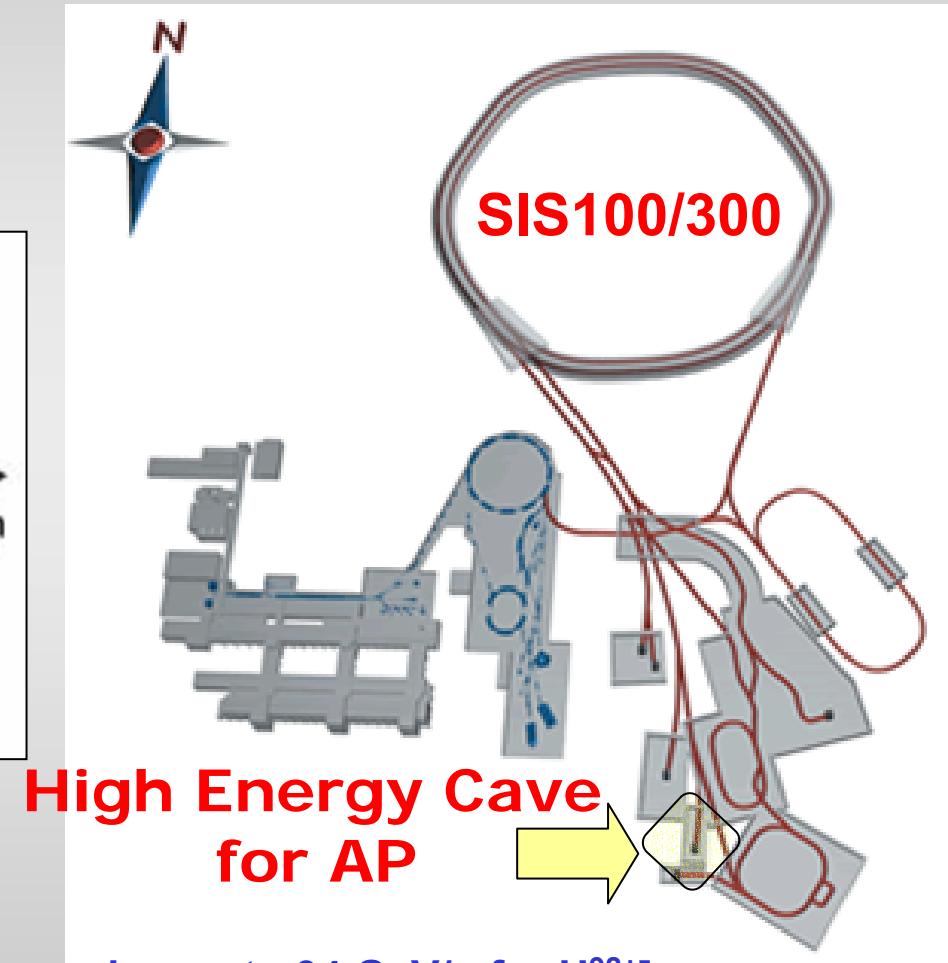
- measurement of nuclear charge radii for radioactive ion beams
- magnetic nuclear moments (hyperfine structure)

# Collision Experiments at SIS 300

*Electromagnetic Phenomena  
under Extreme & Unusual  
Conditions*



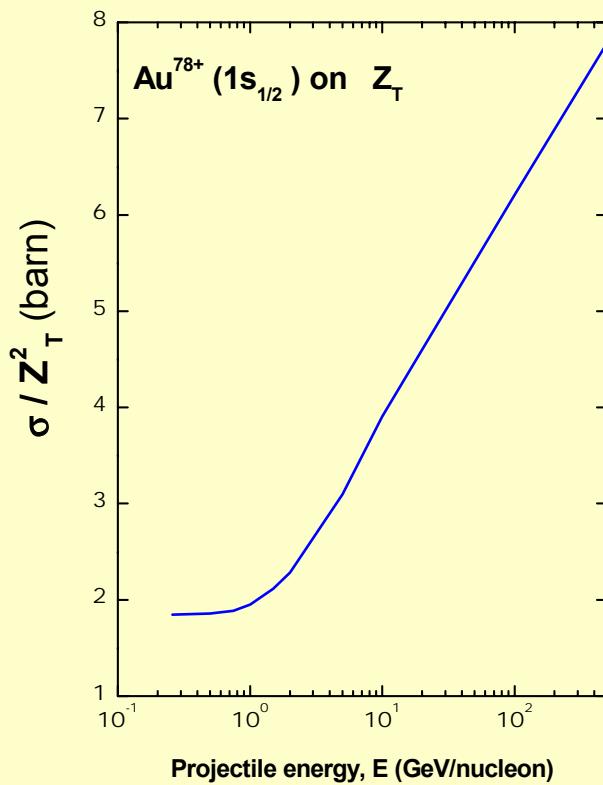
Dependence of the radial electric field strength for a point charge on the Lorentz factor  $\gamma$



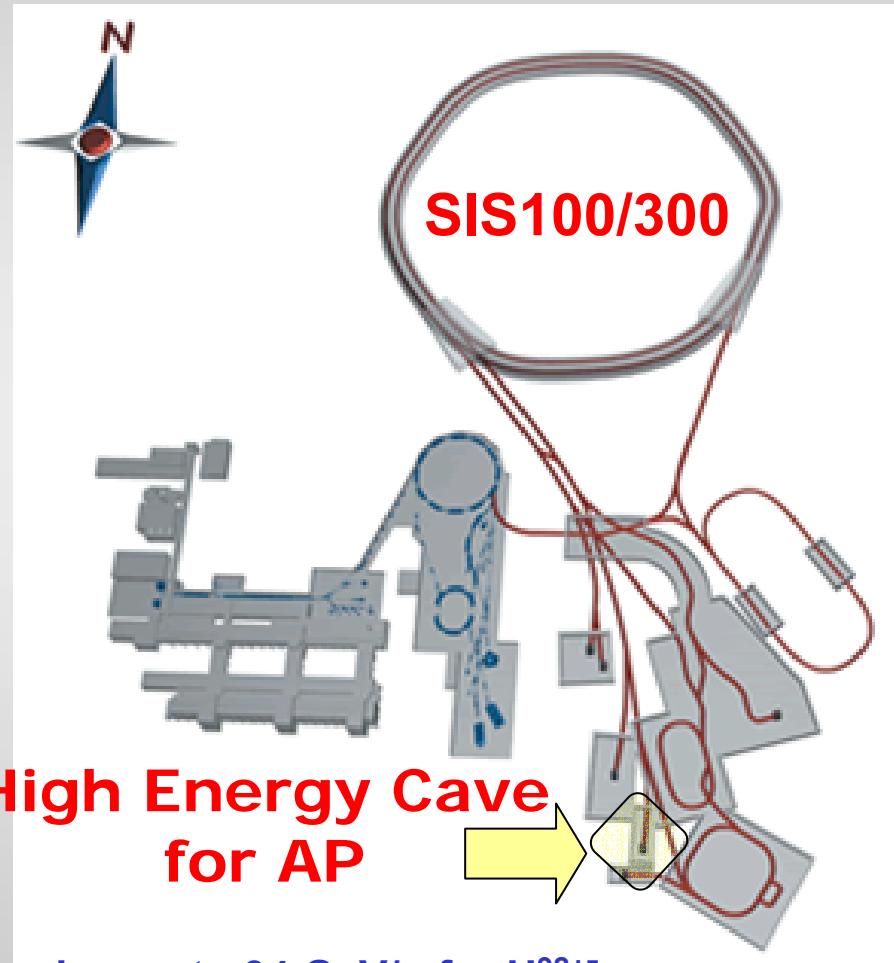
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$\ln(\gamma)$  cross-section increase for all excitation like processes such as ionization or  $e^+e^-$  pair creation

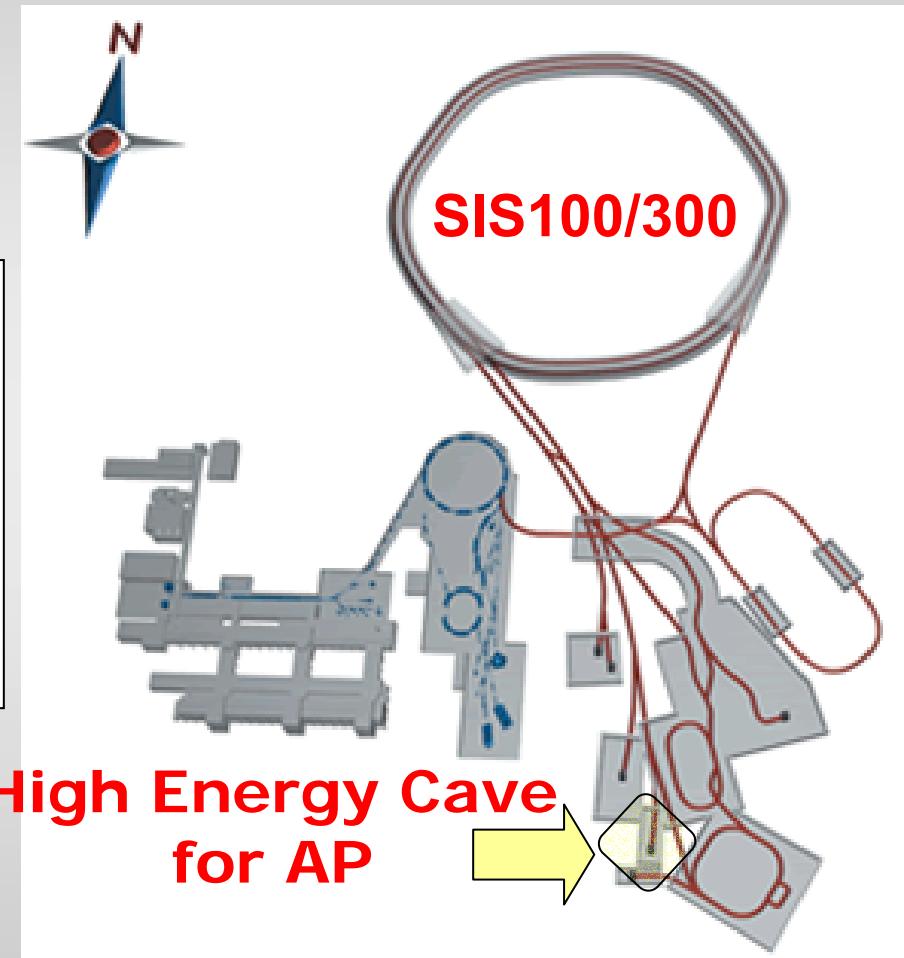
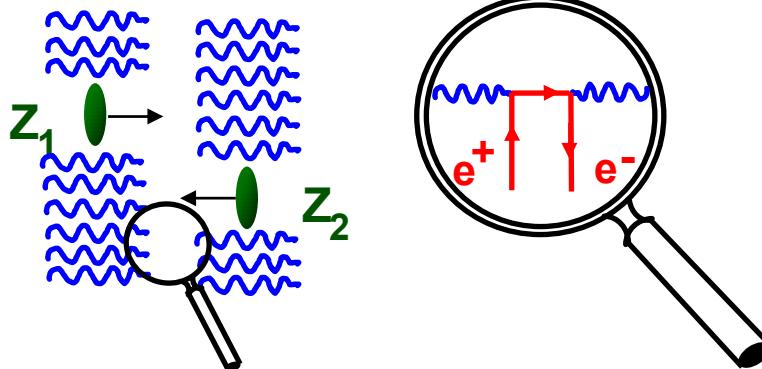


[energies up to 34 GeV/u for U⁹²⁺]



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# The New Experimental Storage Ring **NESR**

## The New ESR

Storage and Cooler Ring for  
HCl, Antiprotons, Fragment Beams

Energies: 840 to 3 MeV/u

Circumference: 211 m (ESR:108 m)

Straight sections for exp. installations  
18 m

### Experimental installations

electron target

internal jet-target

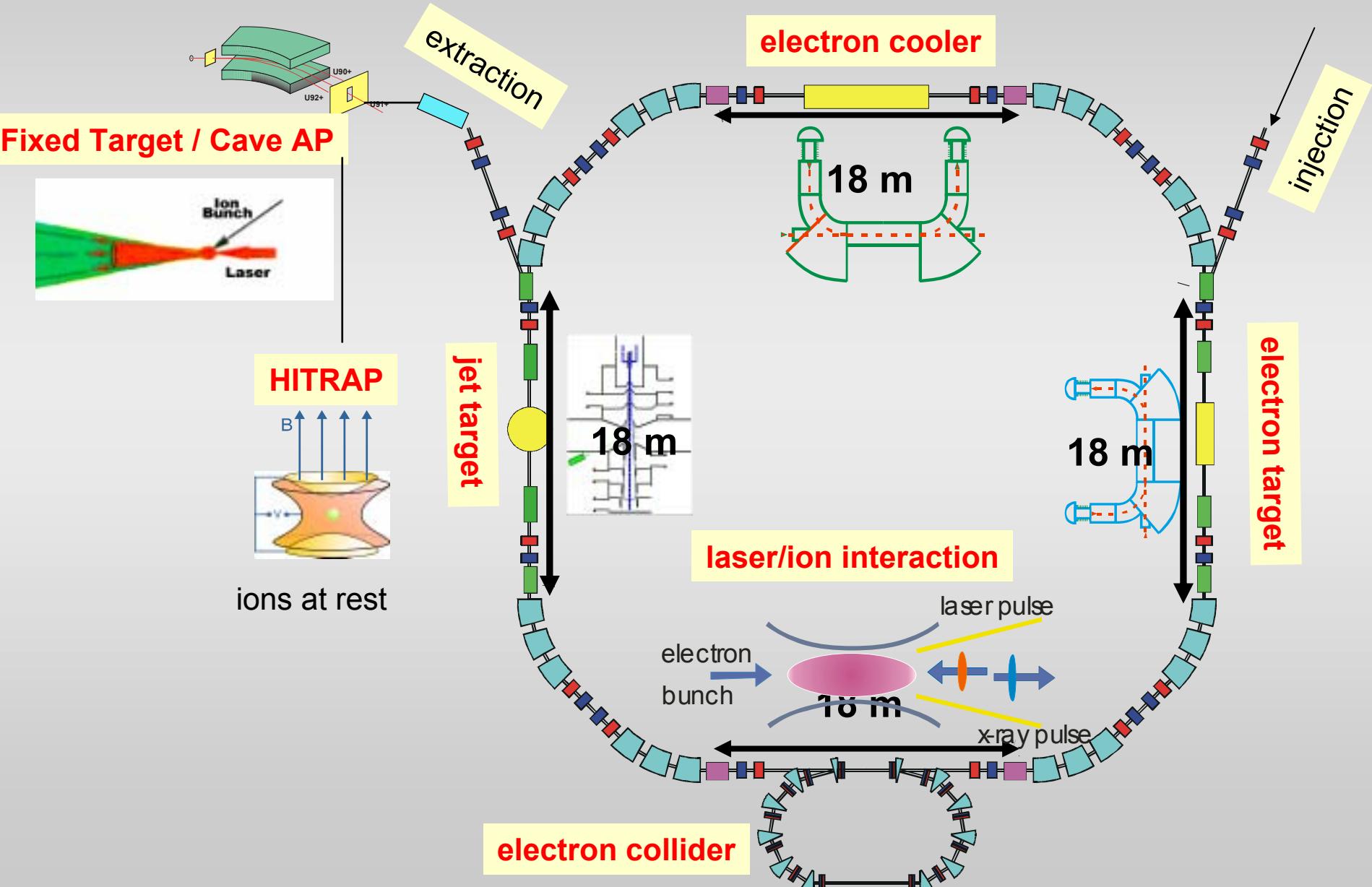
laser-ion interaction zone

low-energy cave: cooled extracted ions

HITRAP

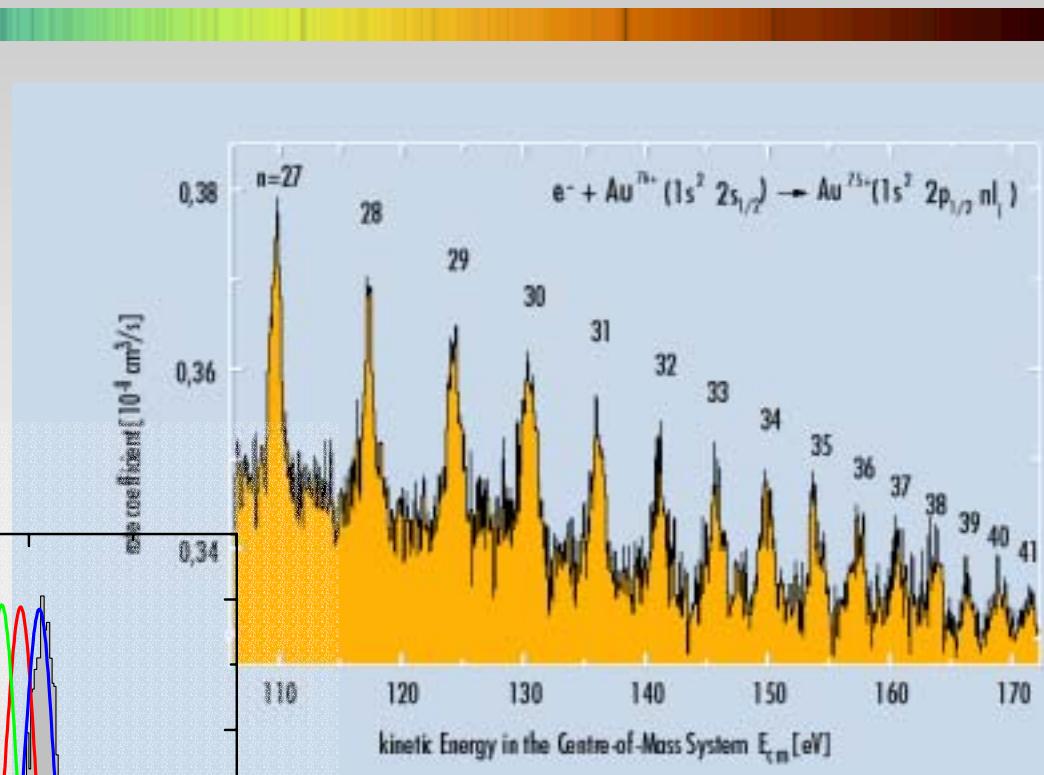
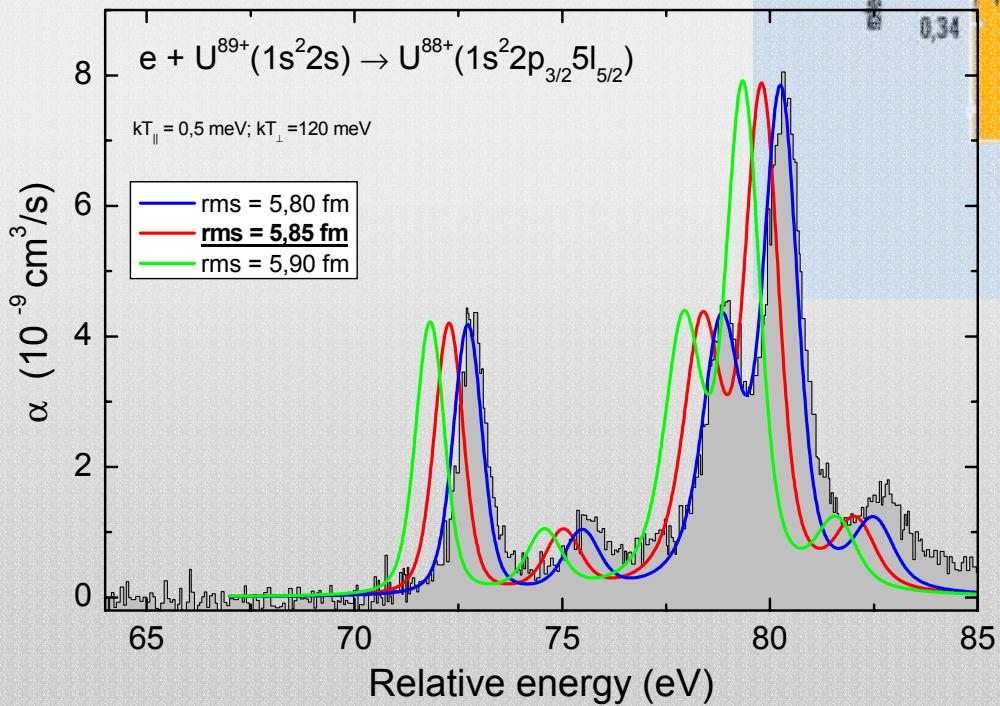


# The New Experimental Storage Ring NESR



# Dielectronic Recombination Experiments – Experiments at the Electron Target

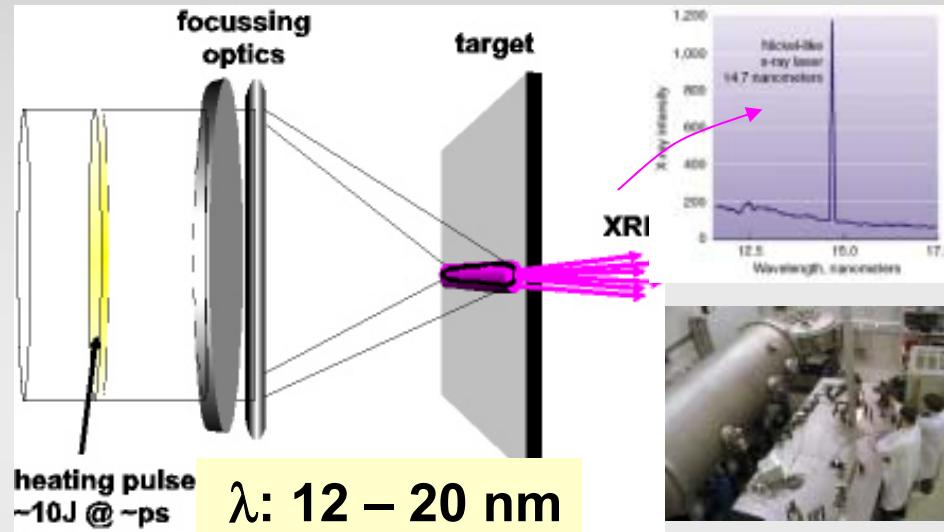
**DR experiments for Li-like  
heavy ions at the ESR:  
The already achieved  
accuracy is comparable  
with the most precise x-ray  
experiments**



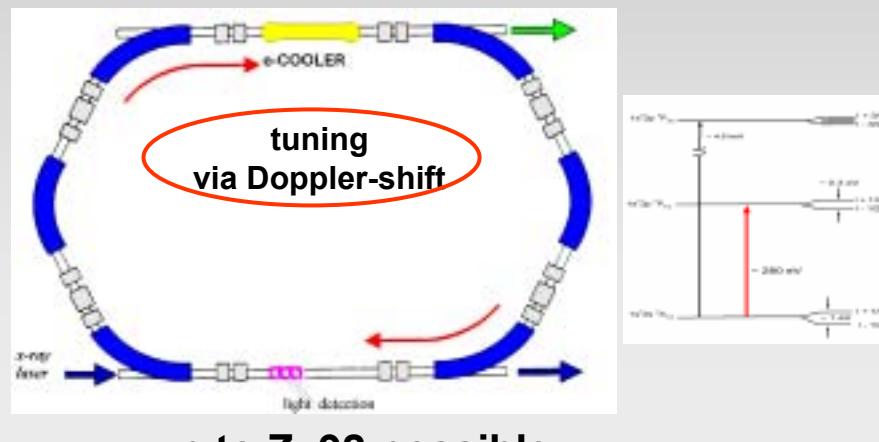
**Experiment and theory for  
three different rms radii of  
 $^{238}\text{U}$**

# X-Ray Laser Spectroscopy on Lithium-like Radioactive Nuclei

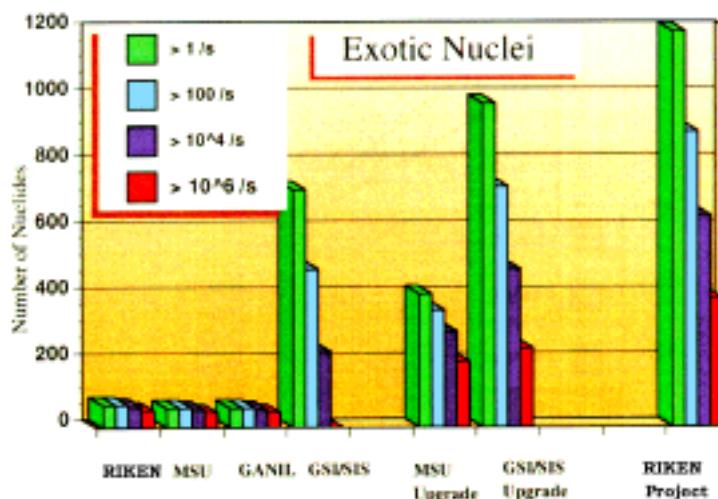
## Principle of an X-Ray Laser (XRL)



## Excitation in the ESR/NESR



**At NESR:**  
**Wide Range**  
**of Accessible**  
**Ions**



$$\Delta p/p \sim 5 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{Dopp.}}/E \sim 10^{-4} \dots 10^{-5}$$

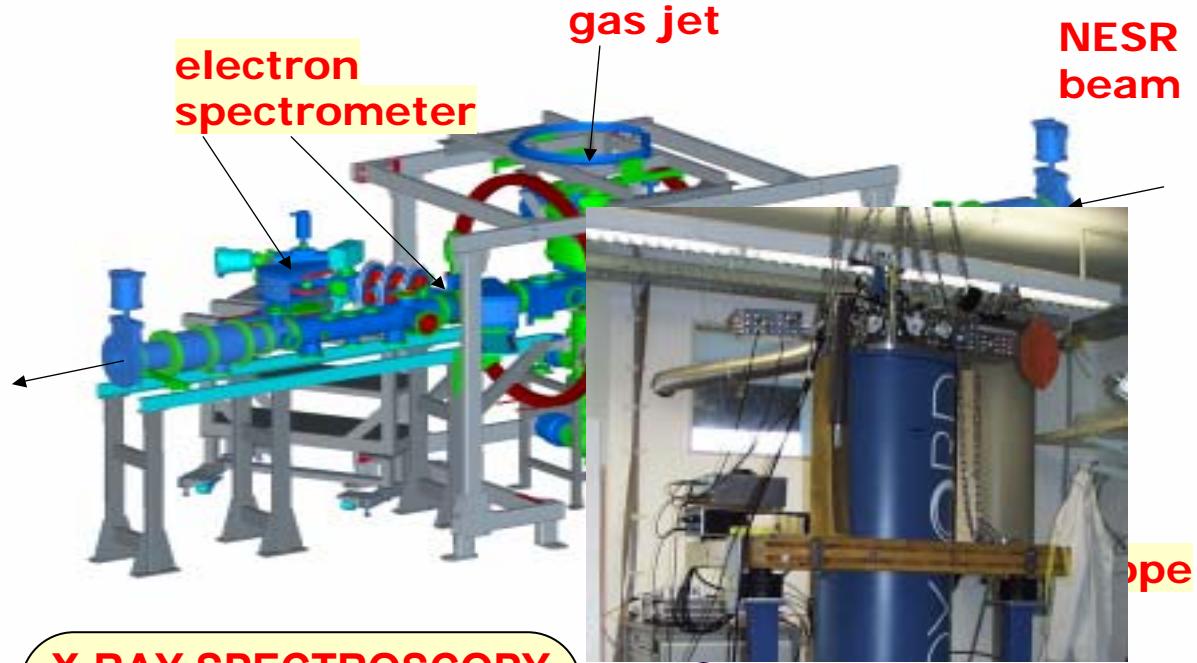
*E. Gaul*

# Experiments at the Jet-Target of the NESR (Collision Dynamics with HCl and Antiprotons)

## ELECTRON SPECTROSCOPY

high-resolution electron spectroscopy complementary to the x-ray channel

Poster S. Hagmann et al.  
R. Mann et al.



## RECOIL ION MOMENTUM SPECTROSCOPY

e.g.

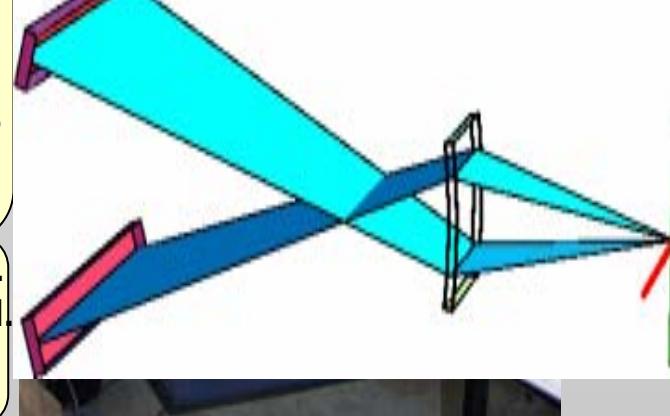
impact parameter sensitive studies  
(e,2e) processes in HCl atom collisions

Poster S. Hagmann et al.  
H. Kollmus et al.  
R. Moshammer et al.  
A. Dorn et al.

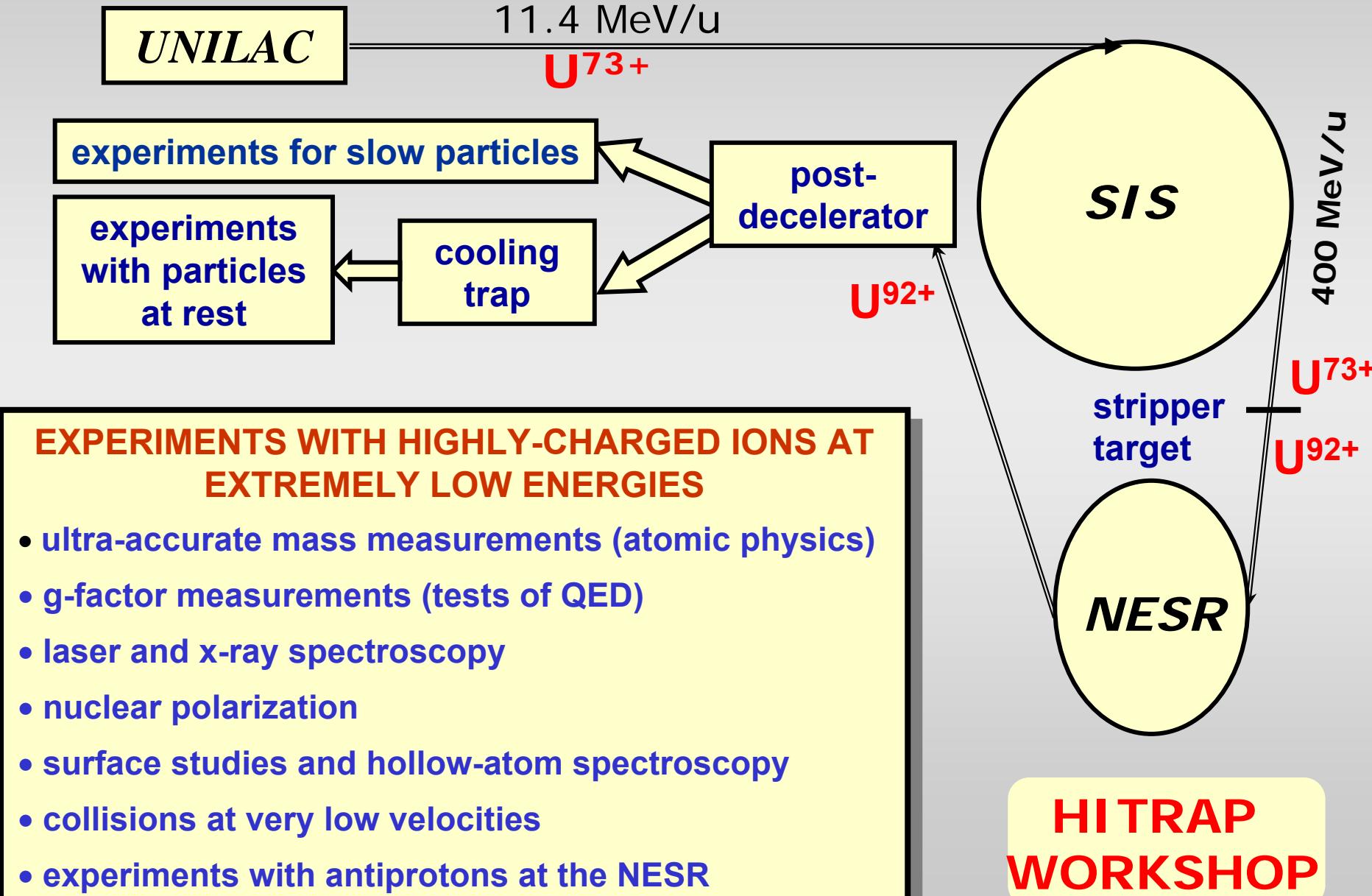
## X-RAY SPECTROSCOPY

e.g.  
precision spectroscopy  
photon correlation studies  
polarization phenomena

Poster A. Gumberidze et al.  
A. Orsic Muthig et al.  
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## OPTION: Heavy Ions Stored in the HESR at $\gamma \approx 6$

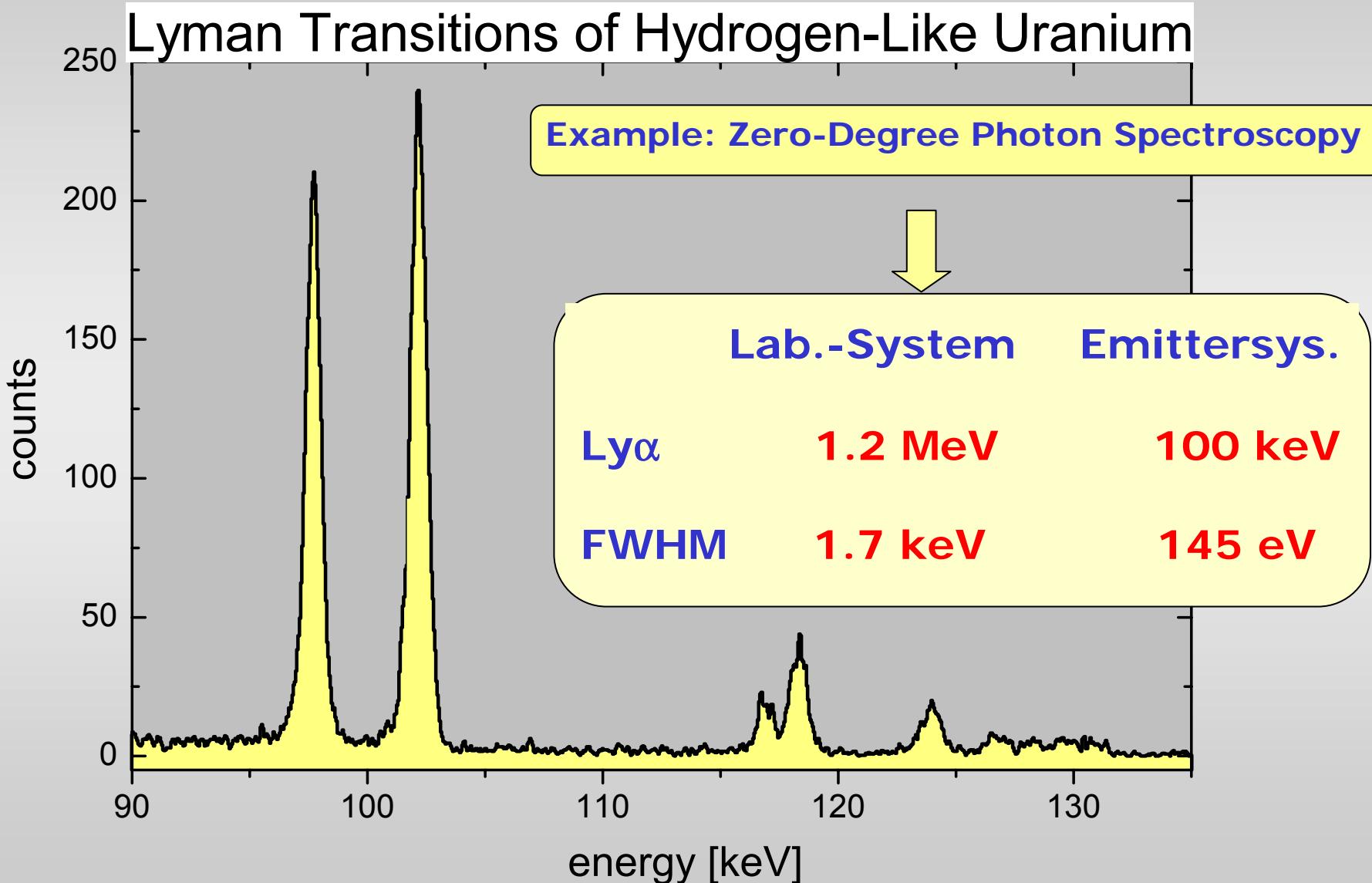
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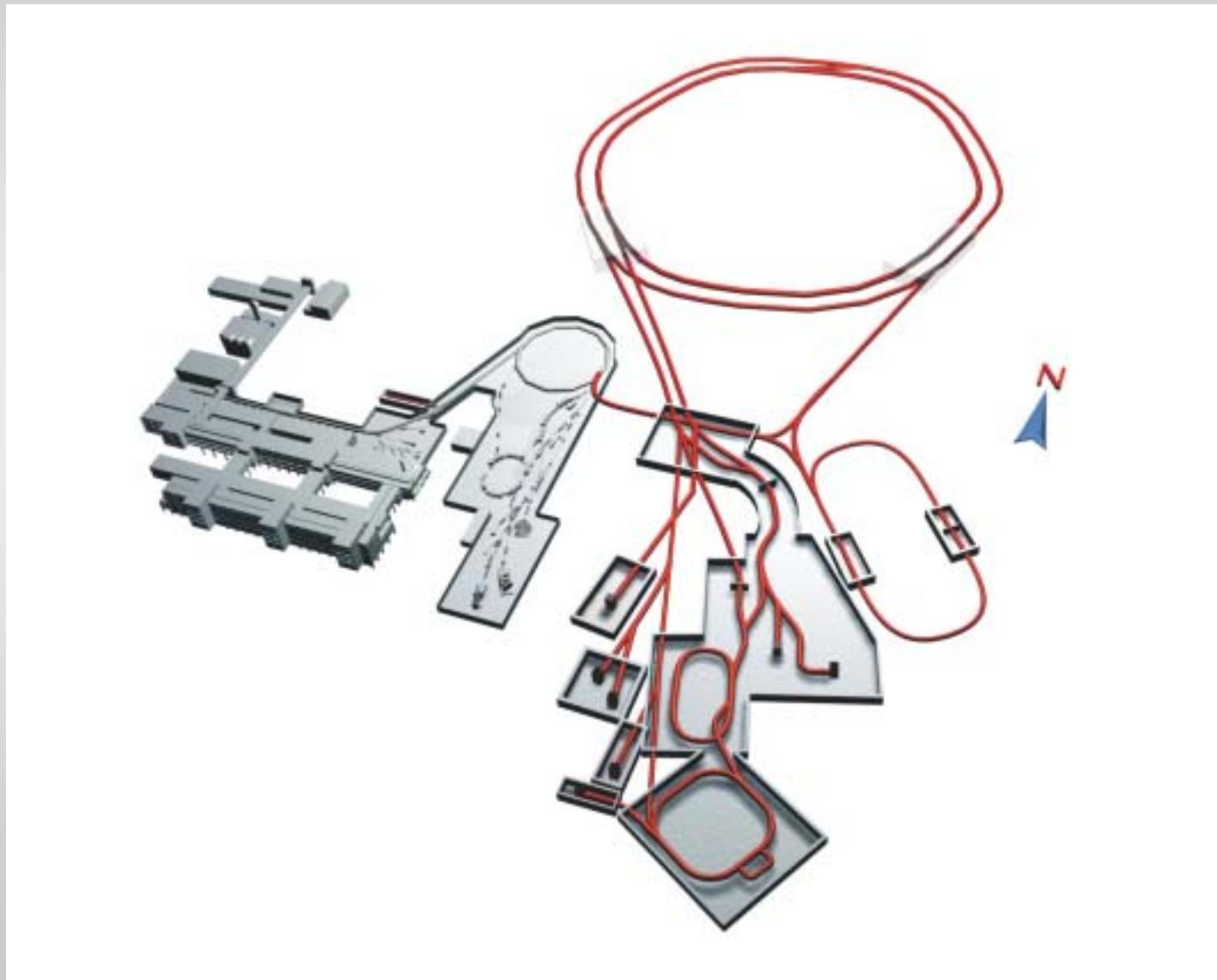
Experiments with cooled relativistic HCl up to a Lorentz factor of  $\gamma \approx 6$

Electron, positron ( $e^+e^-$  pairs), and photon spectroscopy at the internal target

Relativistic kinematics results in a **strongly enhanced resolution** for electron, positron, and photon spectroscopy



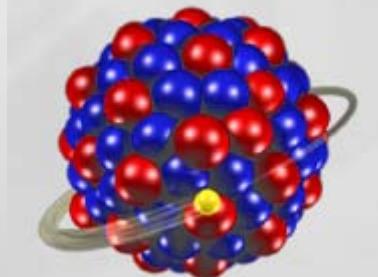




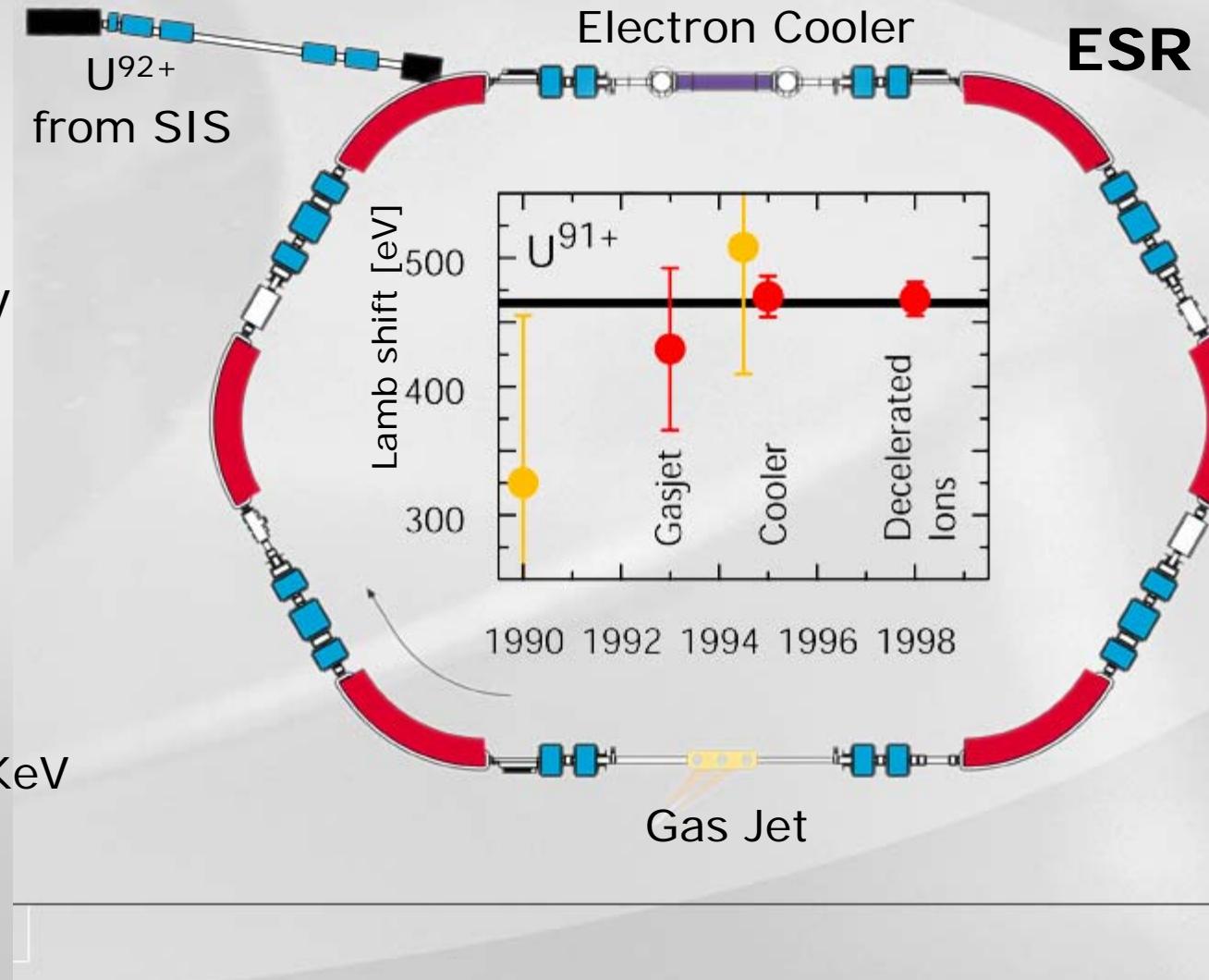
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Hydrogen-Atom

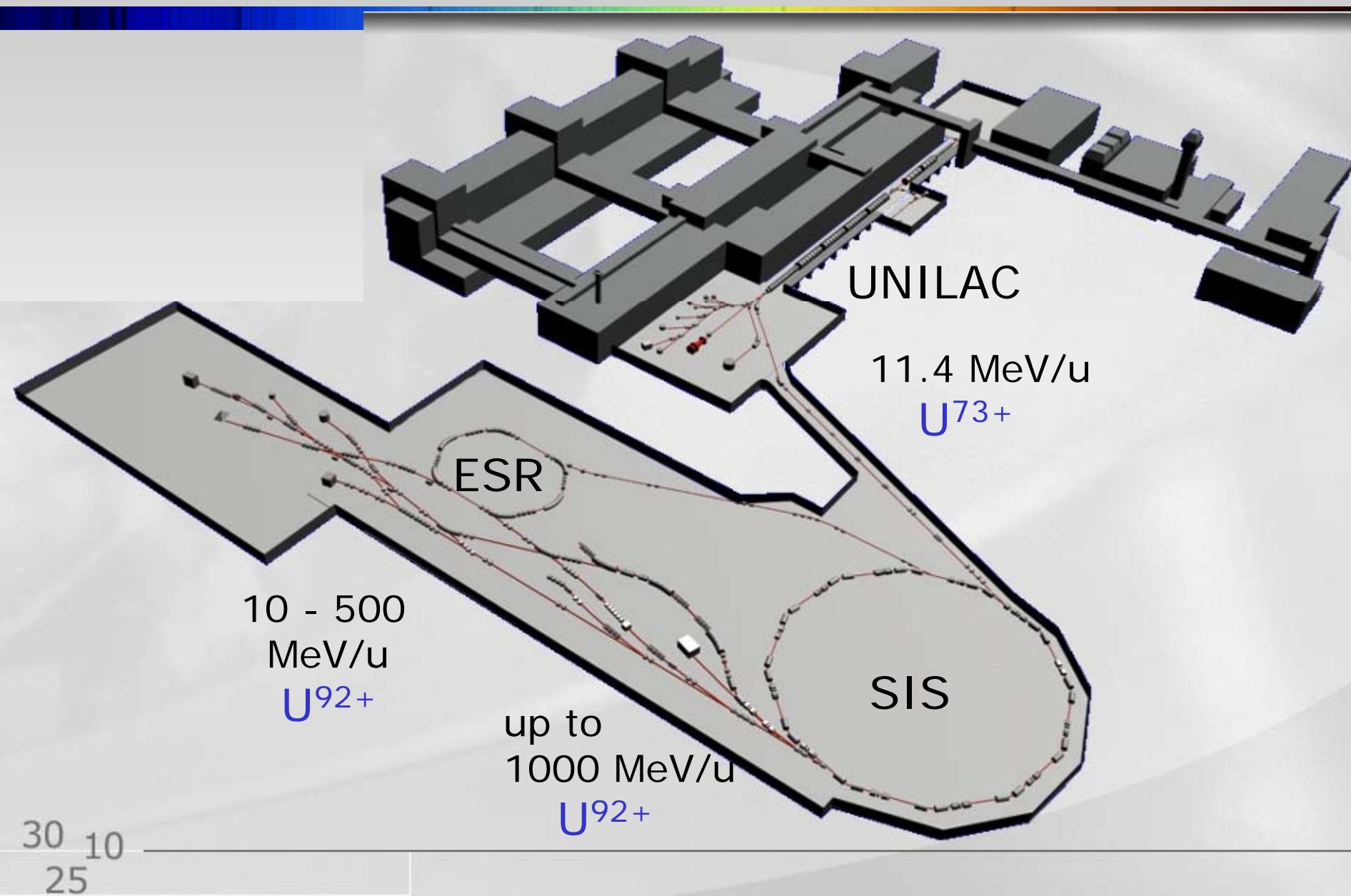
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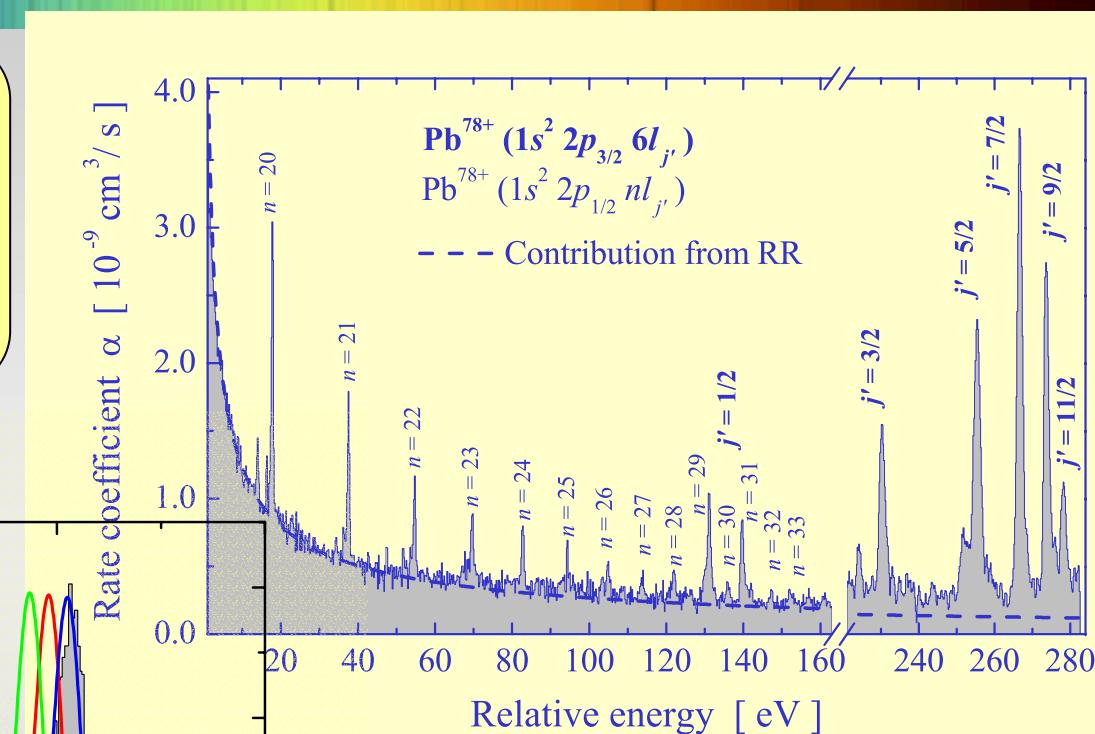
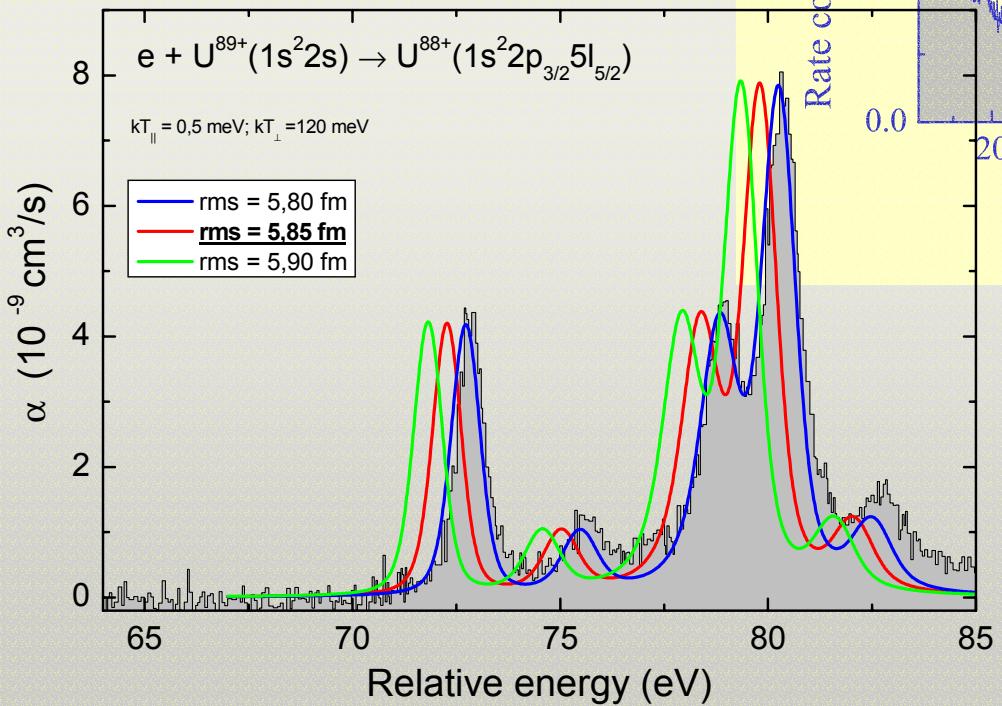


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