

# Stripping Extraction and Lorentz Dissociation

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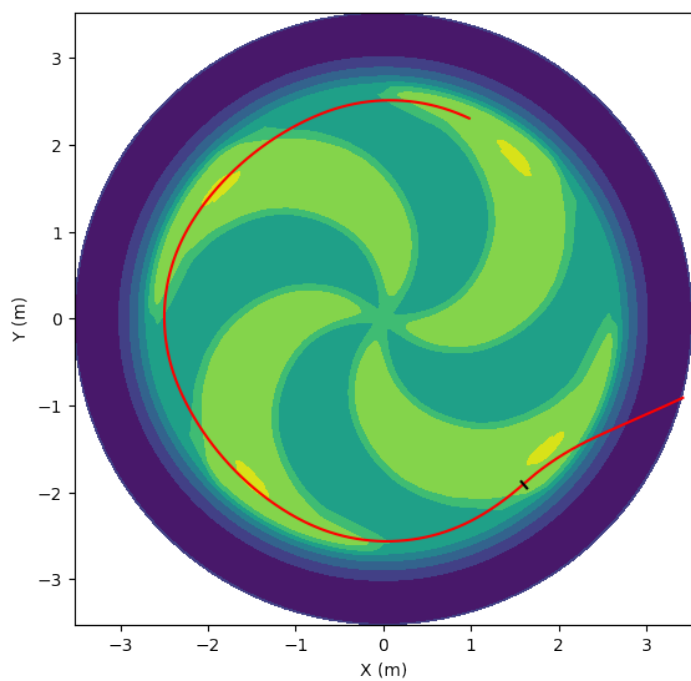
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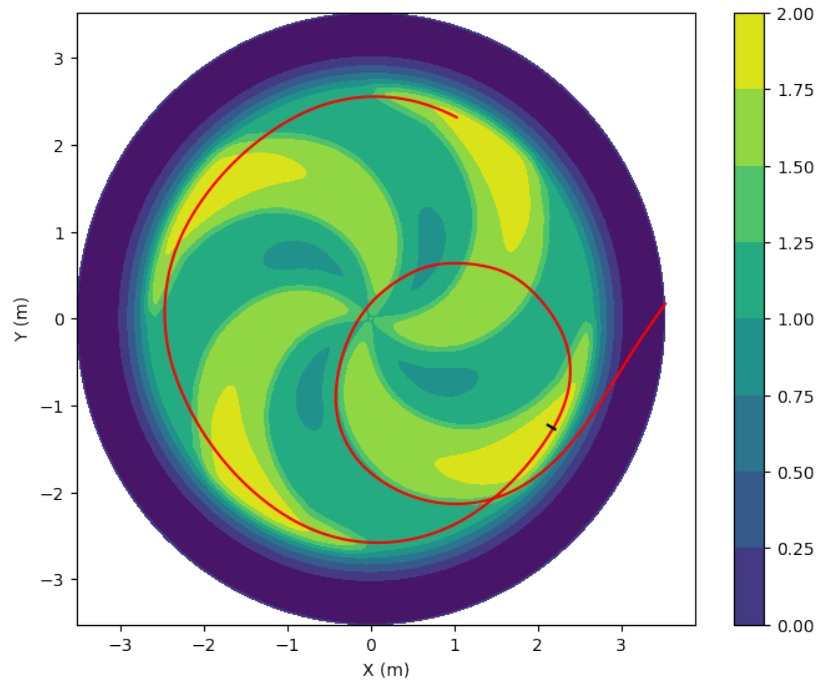
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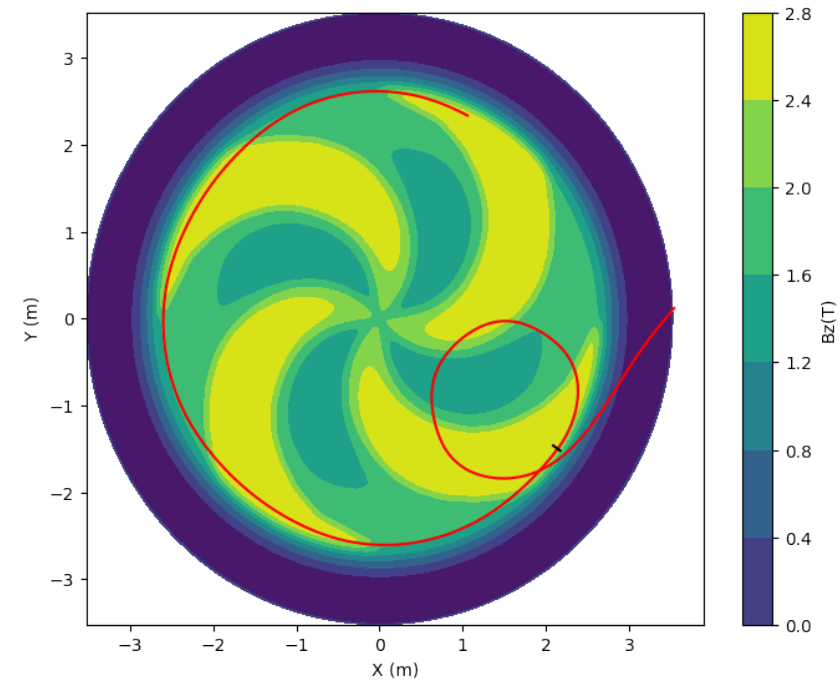
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$H_2^+$



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# What is Lorentz dissociation??

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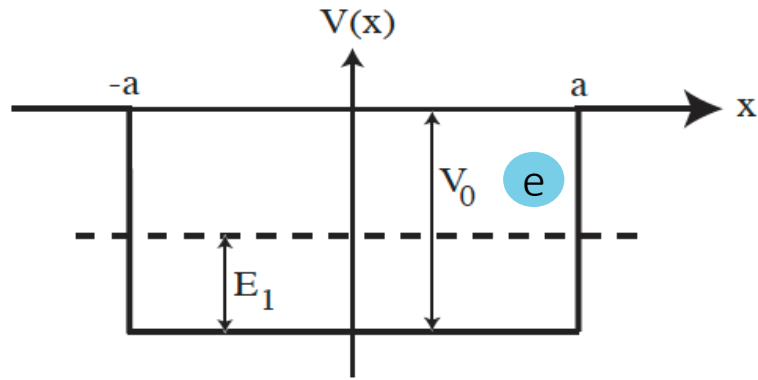
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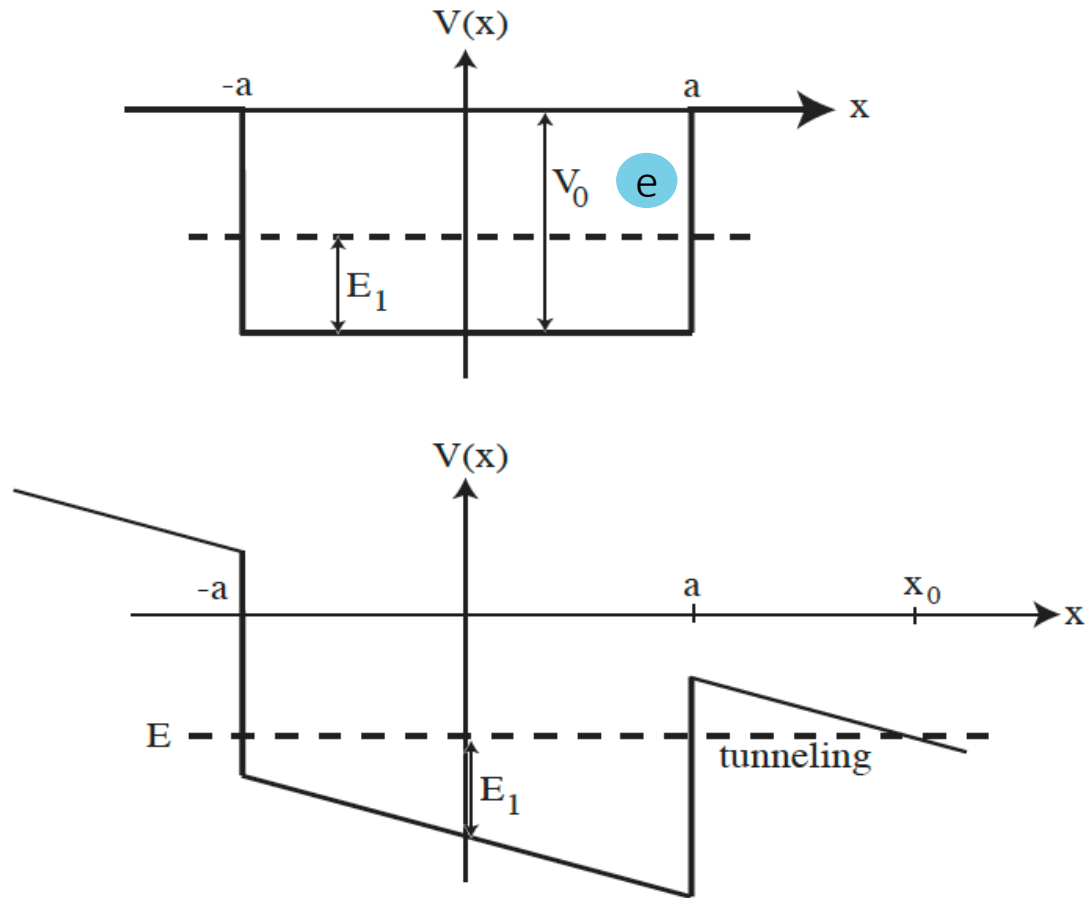
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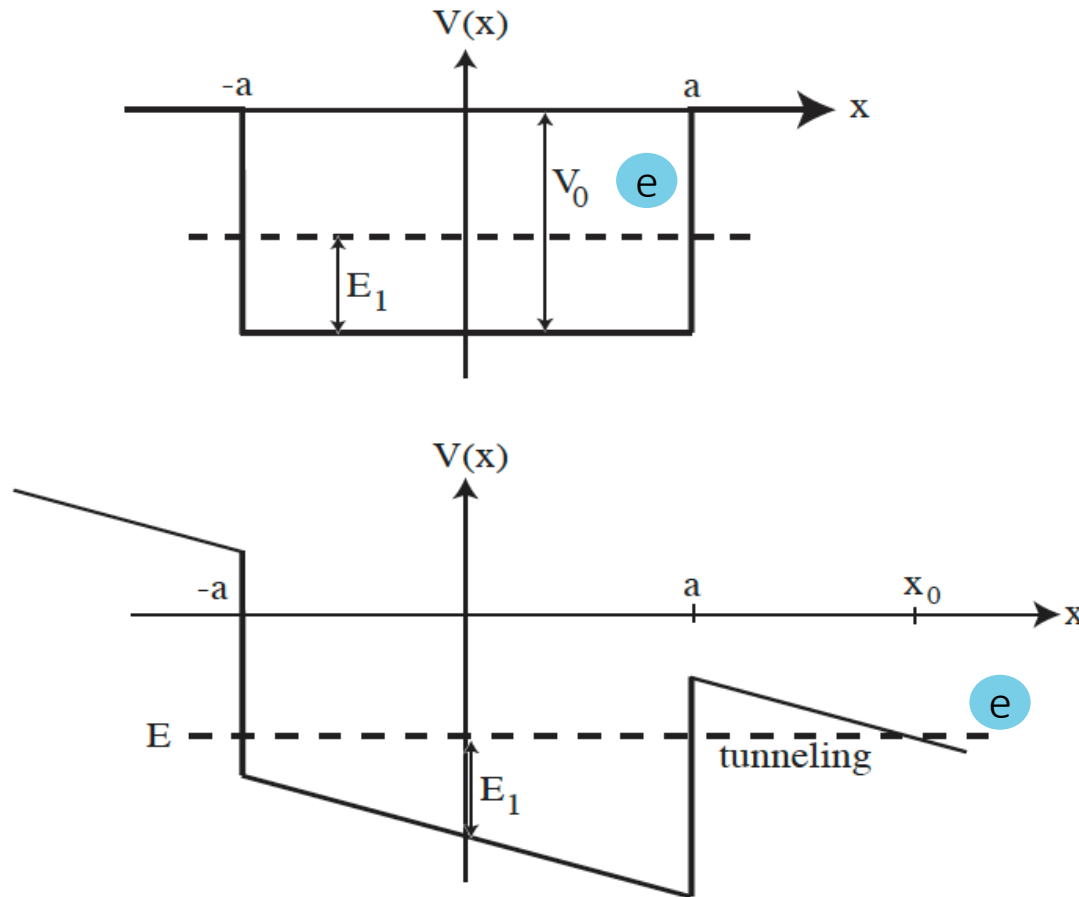
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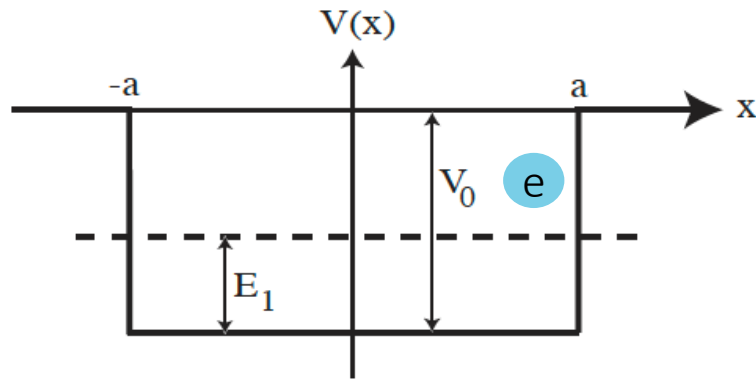
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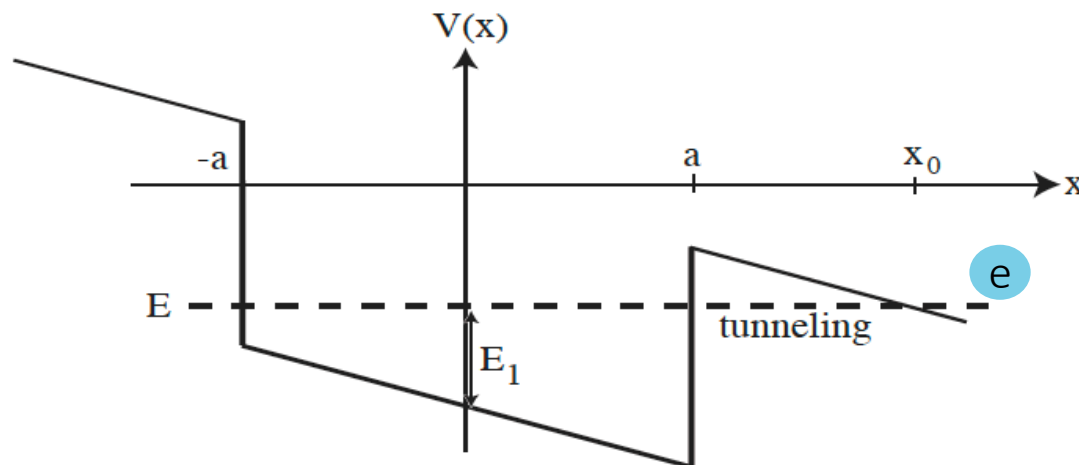
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$$\frac{\hbar}{2m} \frac{d^2\Psi(x)}{dx^2} = [V(x, \mathcal{E}) - E]\Psi(x)$$

$$p(x, \mathcal{E}) = \sqrt{2m [V(x, \mathcal{E}) - E]}$$

$$\therefore \tau \propto e^{\int_a^{x_0} |p(x, \mathcal{E})| dx}$$



# Lifetime of H<sup>-</sup>

- Experimental lifetime of H<sup>-</sup>,  $\tau$

$$\tau = \frac{A_1}{\varepsilon} \exp \frac{A_2}{\varepsilon}$$

$$A_1 = 3.07 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Vs/m ;}$$

$$A_2 = 4.414 \times 10^9 \text{ V/m (Keating et. al.)}$$

- Integrating it throughout acceleration, the survival fraction  $f$  per distance ( $s$ ) becomes:

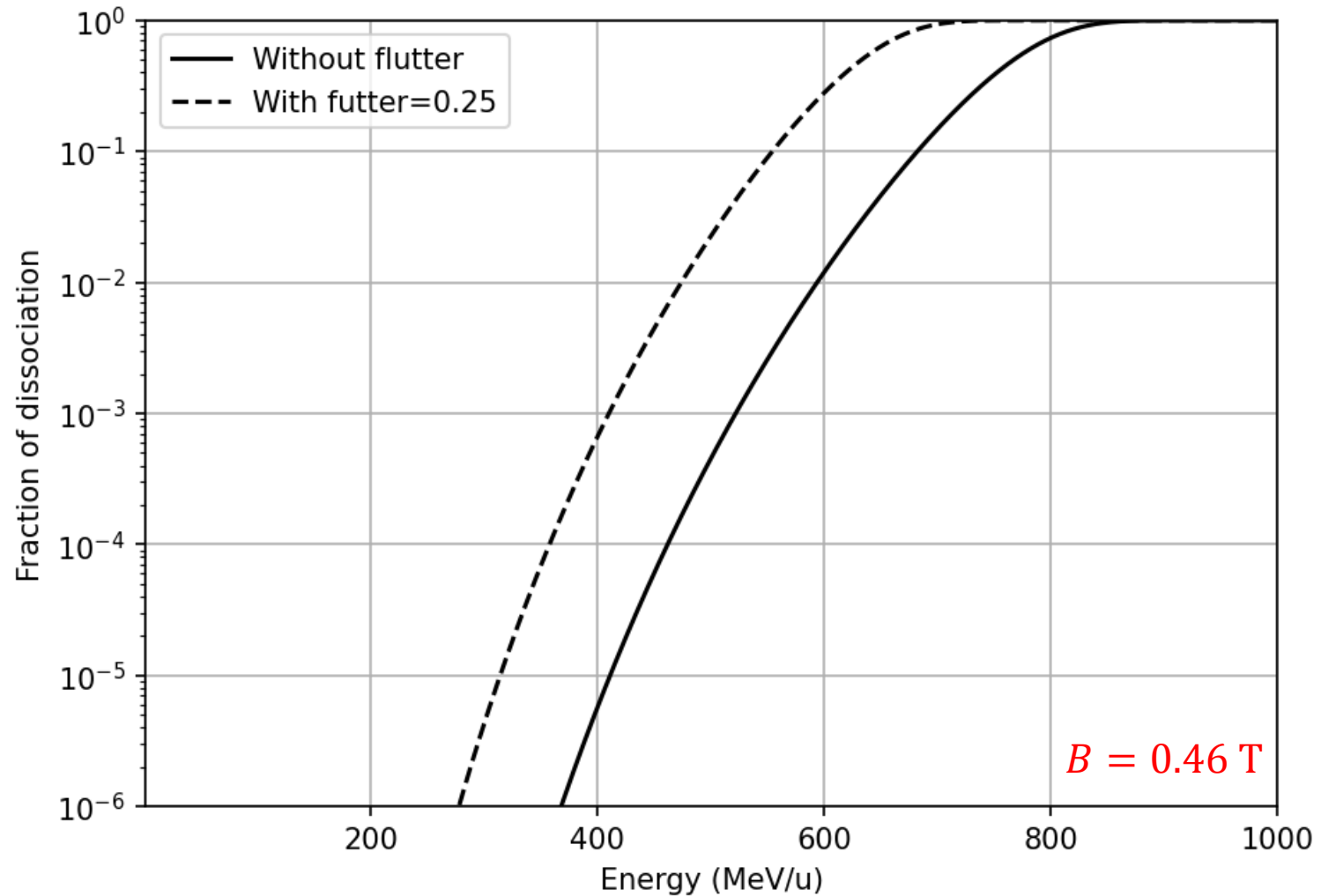
$$\frac{df}{ds} = -\frac{f}{\gamma\beta c\tau}$$

$$f = f_0 \exp -\frac{\Delta s}{\gamma\beta c\tau}$$

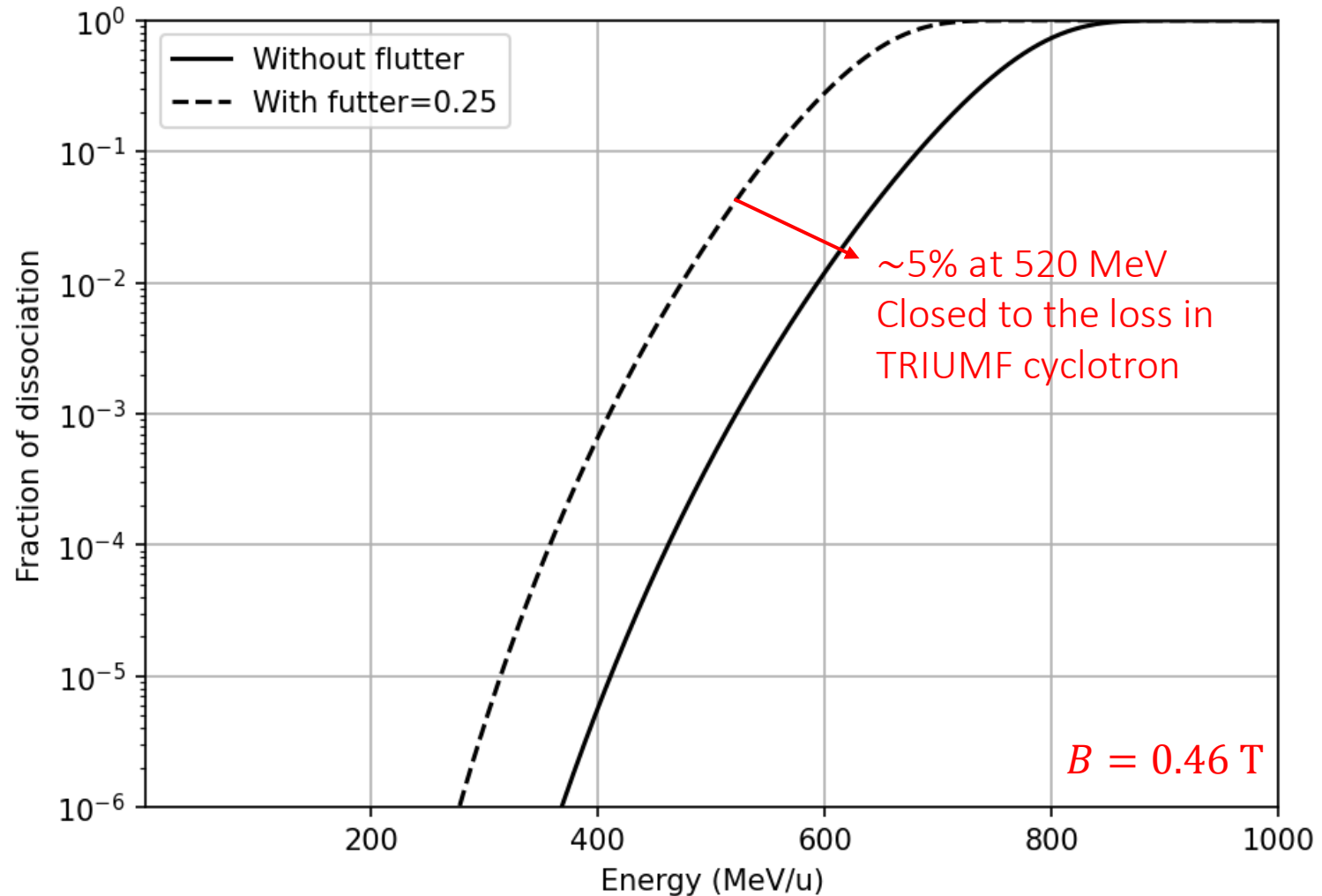
- The integrated fractional loss  $F$  throughout acceleration is

$$\therefore F = 1 - f$$

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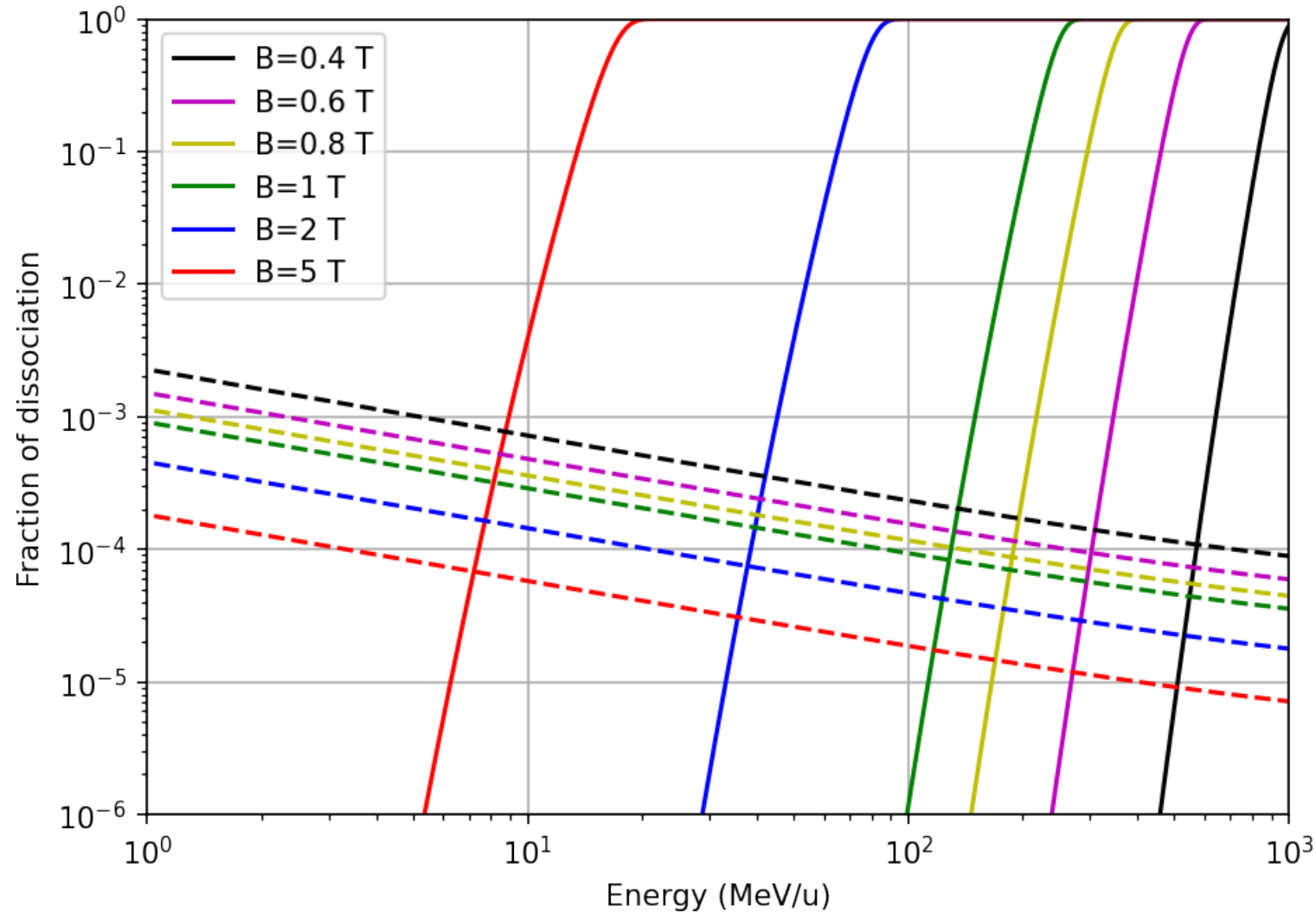


# Power Loss Limit

- Power loss limit of a proton beam  $P_m \approx 1$  W/m for hands-on maintenance
- Losses are usually spread along the inside surface of the outer wall of the vacuum chamber.
- Taking the circumference of the vacuum wall to be  $2\pi\hat{R}$ , where the radius is the radius at the highest energy  $\hat{R} = \frac{\hat{p}}{eB}$



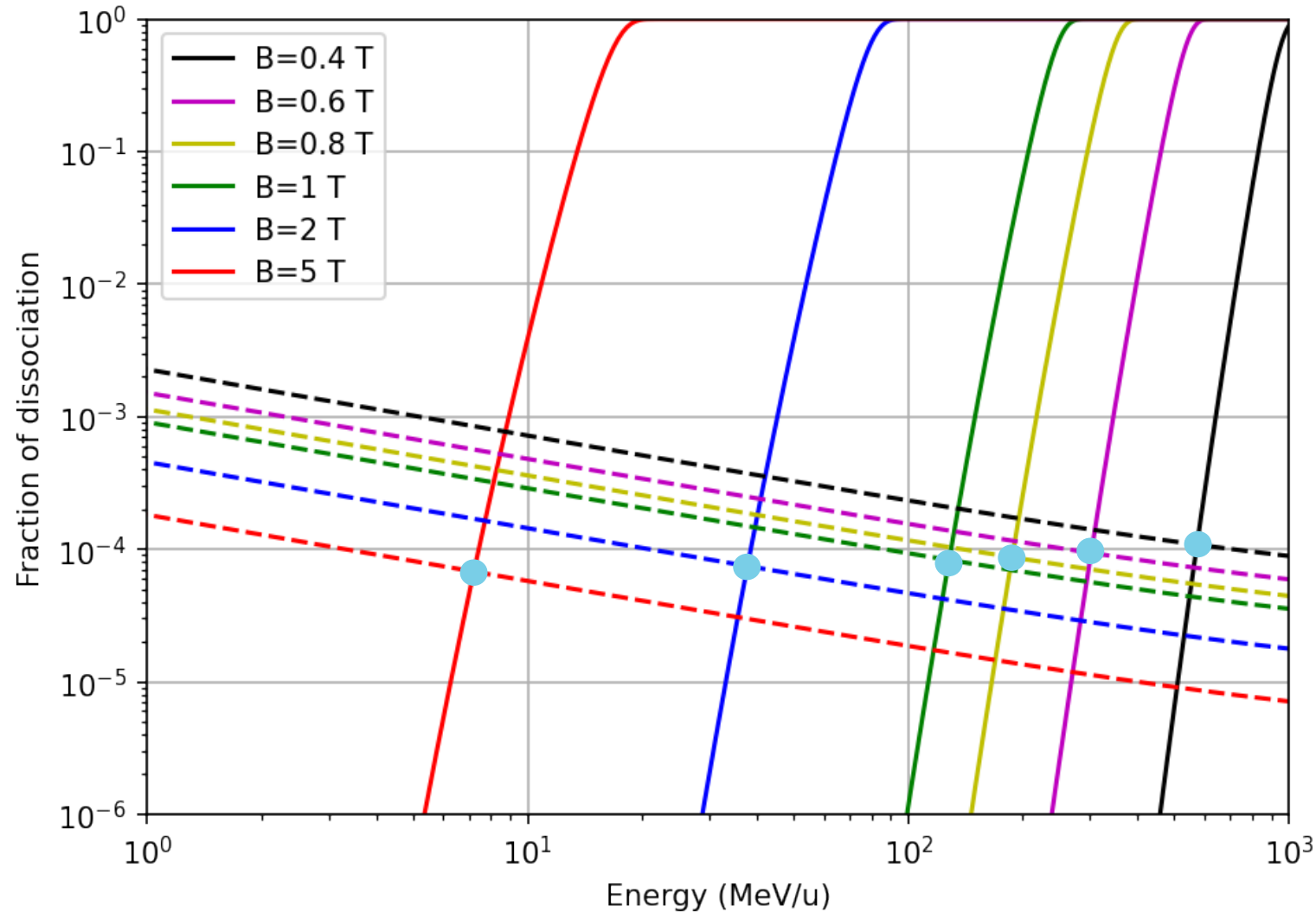
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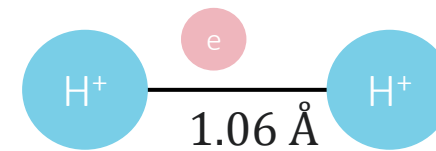
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- Internuclear distance  $\sim 1.06$  Å
- Mainly pre-dissociate through

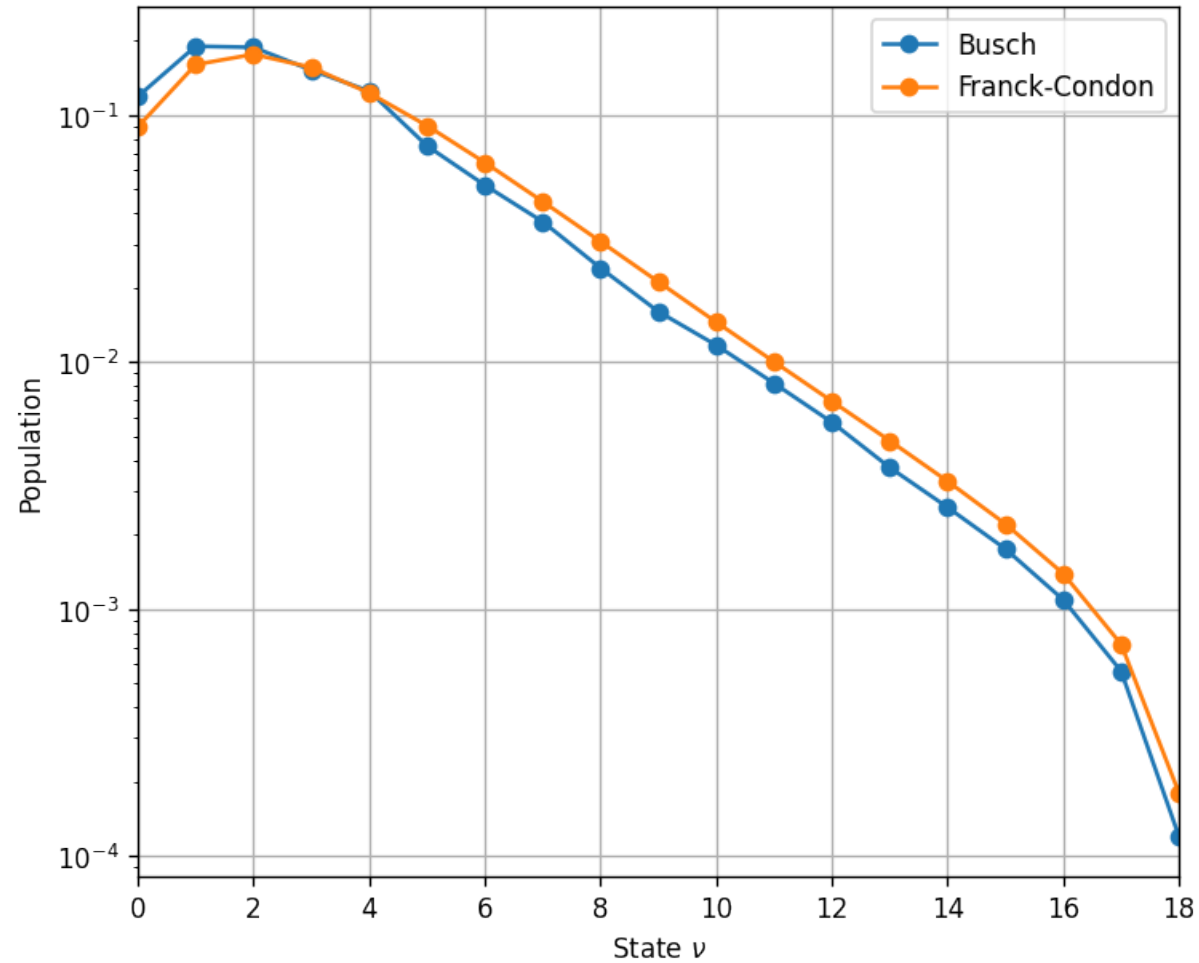


- Lack of experimental verification of Lorentz loss of  $\text{H}_2^+$

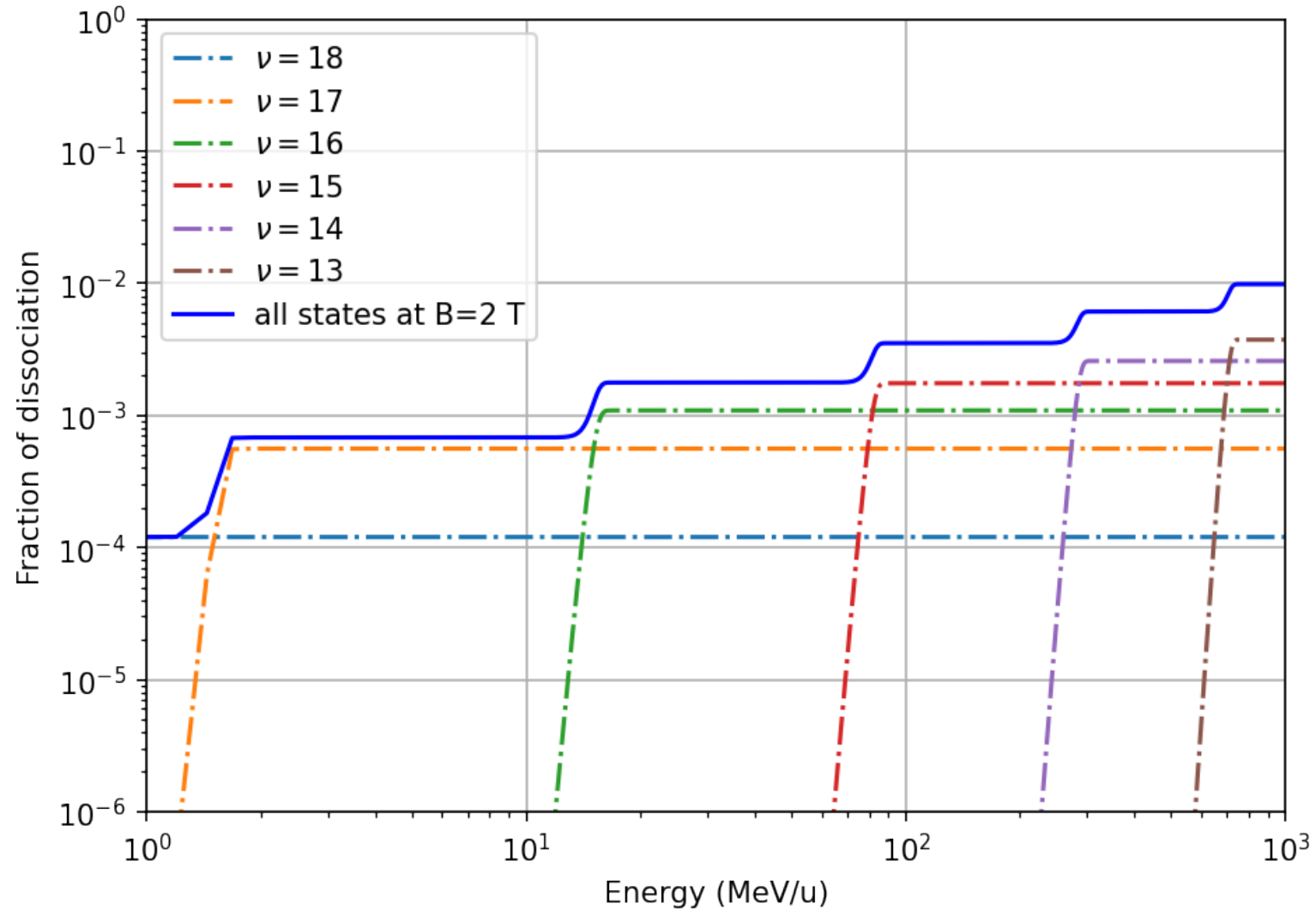




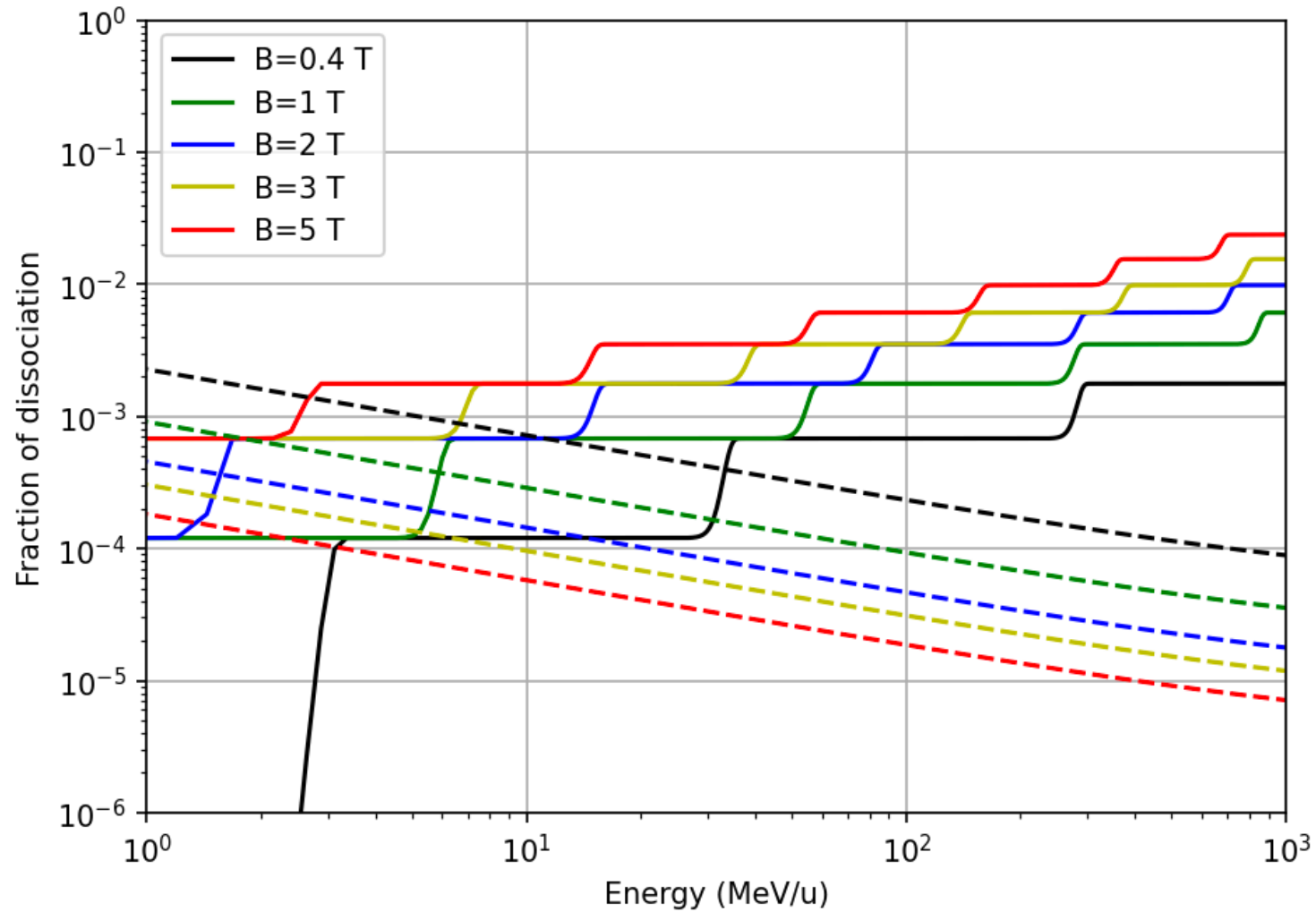
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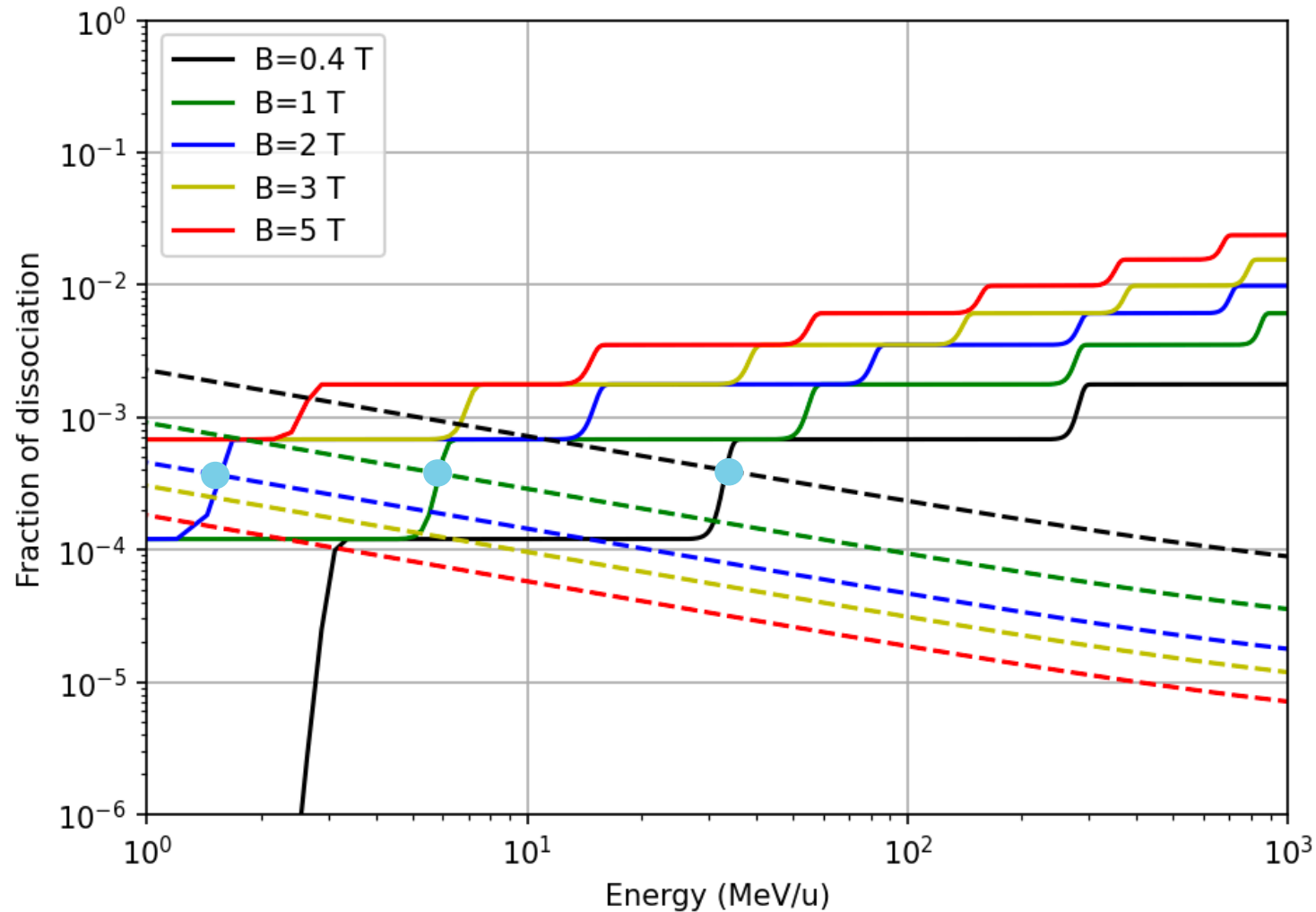


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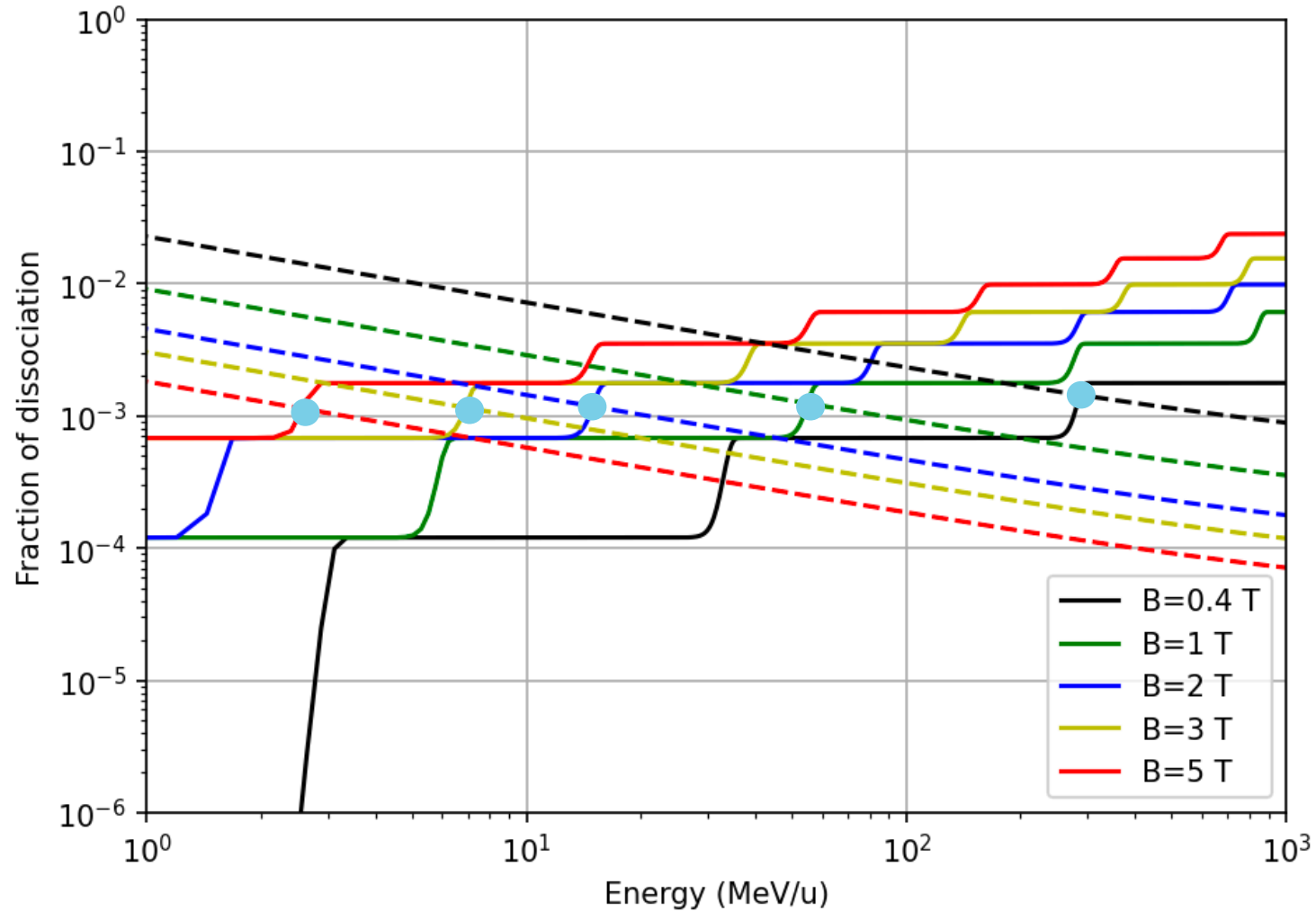


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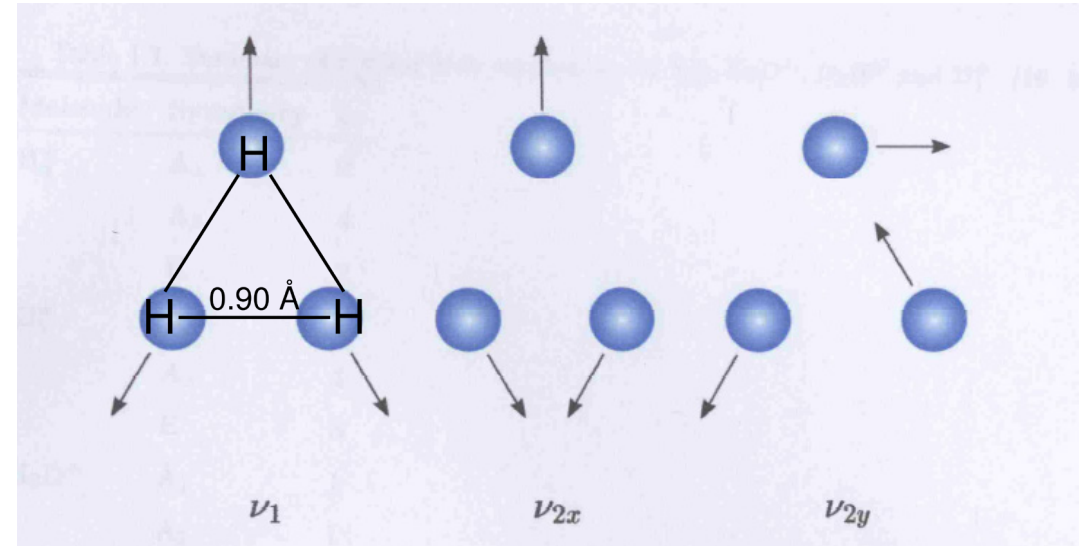
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- First detected in 1911 by J. J. Thomson
- Binding energy  $\sim 4.5$  eV (7 times of  $\text{H}^-$ )
- Internuclear distance  $\sim 0.90$  Å
- Main structure is an equilateral triangle
- No permanent dipole moment
- Formed from the exothermic reaction  
$$\text{H}_2^+ + \text{H}_2 \rightarrow \text{H}_3^+ + \text{H} \text{ (exo } \sim 1.7 \text{ eV)}$$

2 Vibrational modes



(1) Breathing  
(symmetry) mode  
( $A_1, A_2$ )

(2) Bending mode -  
Doubly degenerate  
(E)

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# Evidence: Lorentz Dissociation of $H_3^+$ at DCX-1

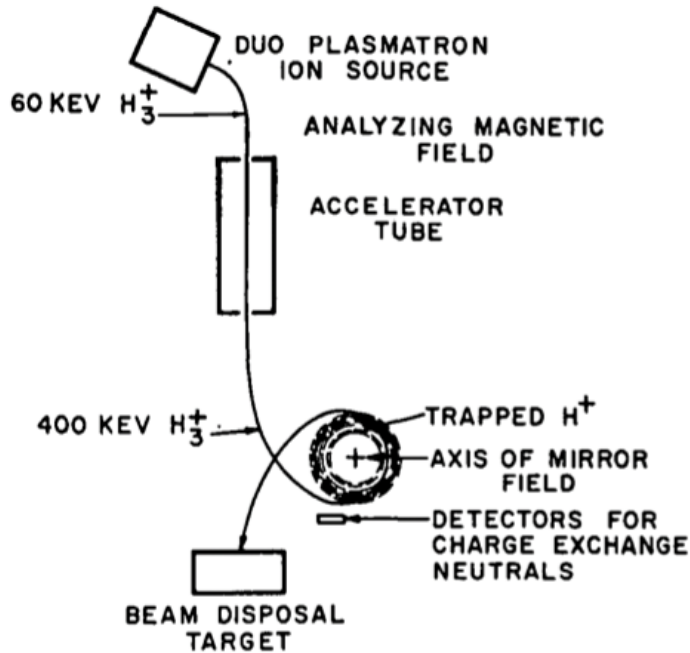


Figure 1 Injection system for Lorentz dissociation of  $H_3^+$ .

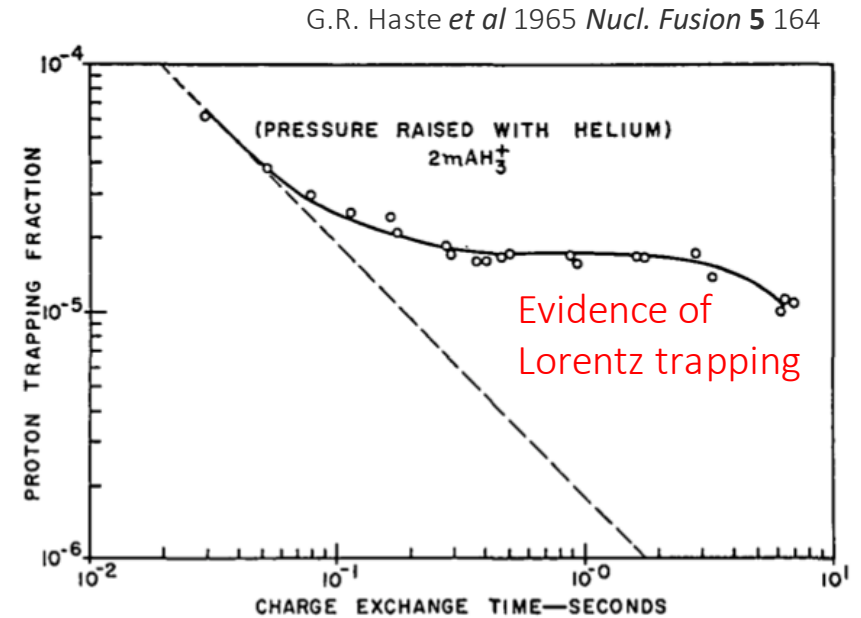
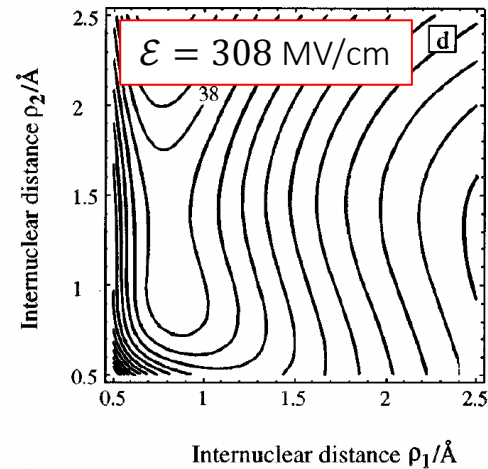
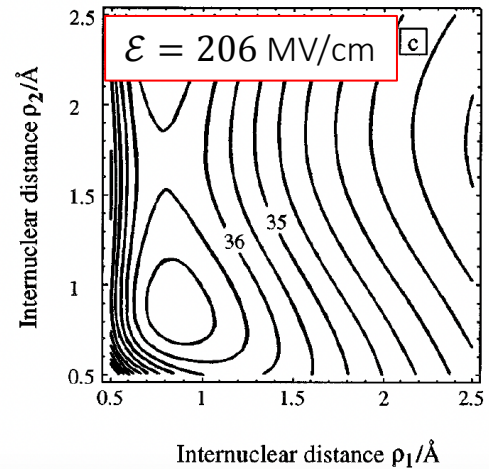
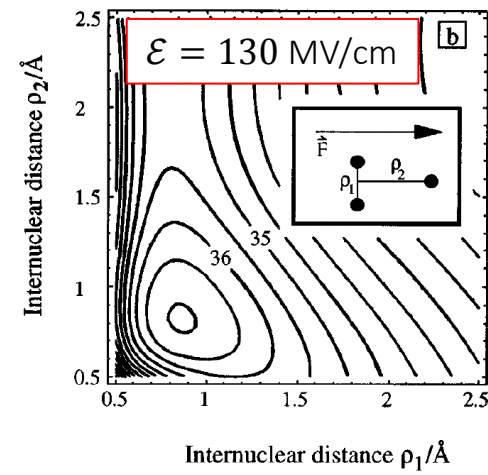
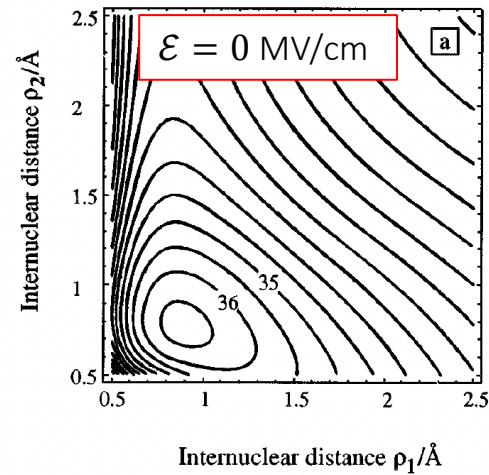


Figure 2 Proton trapping fraction for  $H_3^+$  injection vs charge exchange time.

Equivalent electric field within the plasma region was 33 to 48 kV/cm

# Potential Energy Surface



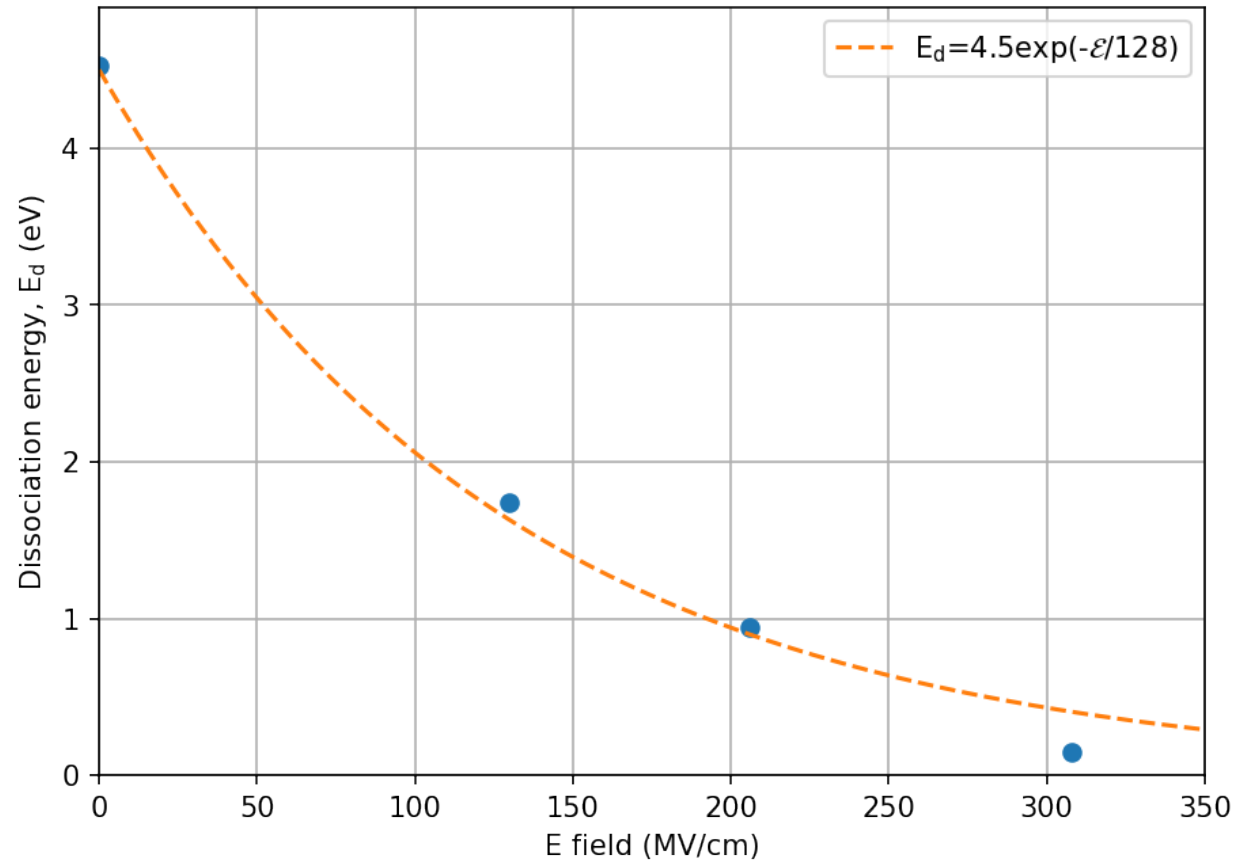
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# Dissociation Energy of $H_3^+$

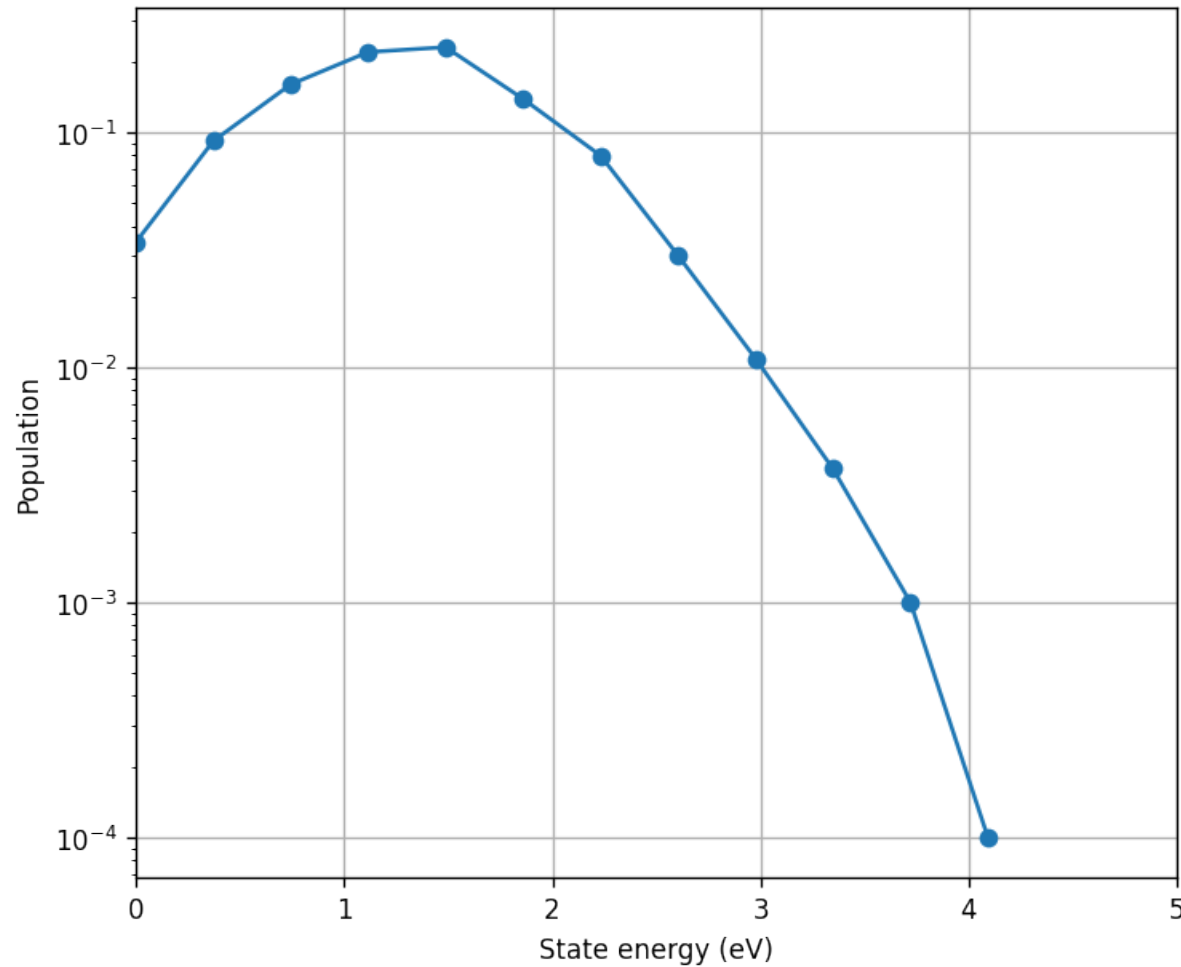
- Fitting the dissociation energy from previous graph:

$$E_d = 4.5 \exp\left(-\frac{\mathcal{E}}{128}\right)$$

- Example: At 1 GeV/u in a 3 T field,  $\mathcal{E} \sim 16.3$  MV/cm,  $E_d \sim 4.0$  eV. Any excited state with energy greater than 4 eV will dissociate



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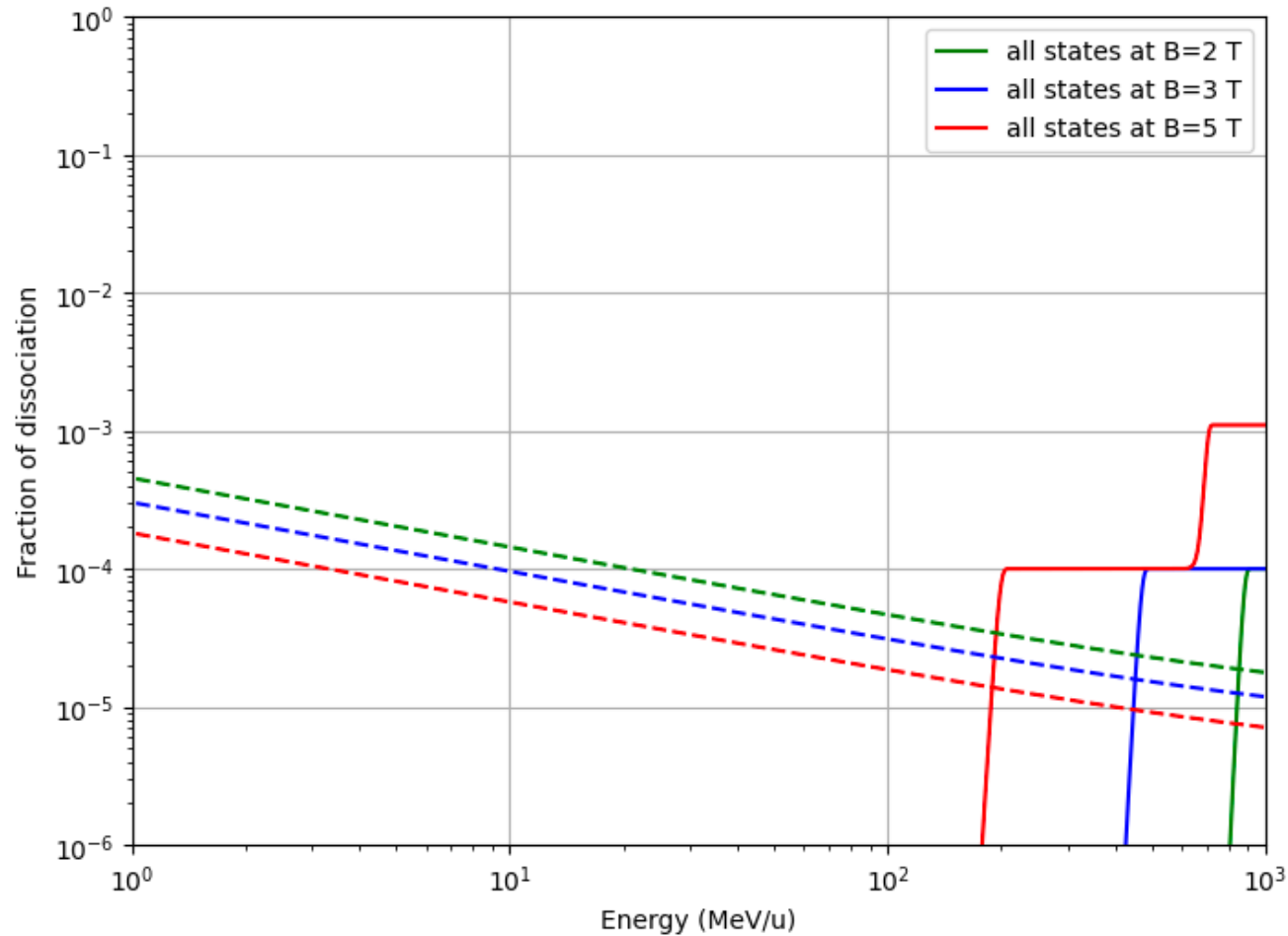


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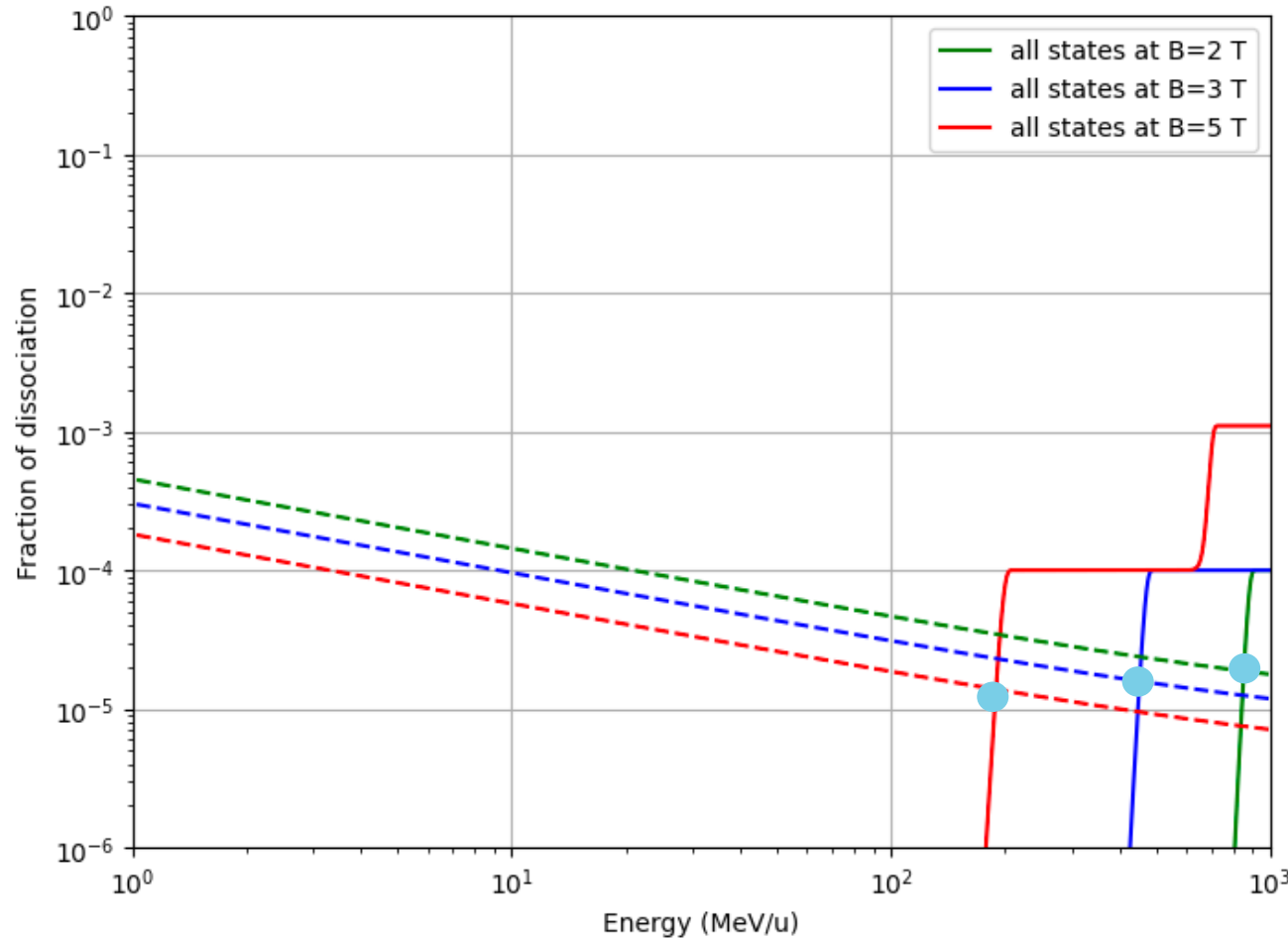


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# Conclusions

- Overall, the order of stability goes from  $H_3^+ > H_2^+ > H^-$  at energy greater than 100 MeV/u.
- At low energy  $< 100$  MeV/u,  $H^-$  is the most cost efficient; while  $H_3^+$  is the most stable at energy higher than 100 MeV/u.
- In general, a larger machine is more conducive for stripping extraction at a high power due to a lower Lorentz dissociation at a lower B and a larger power loss permissible for hands-on maintenance.
- Initial state distribution from the ion source is the game-changer: important to be able to tune it accordingly.

# Prospects

Experimental verification is NECESSARY, especially for  $H_2^+$  and  $H_3^+$ , as many practical factors have been omitted.

Thank you!

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