



# **Single Particle Detection with a Schottky Resonator**

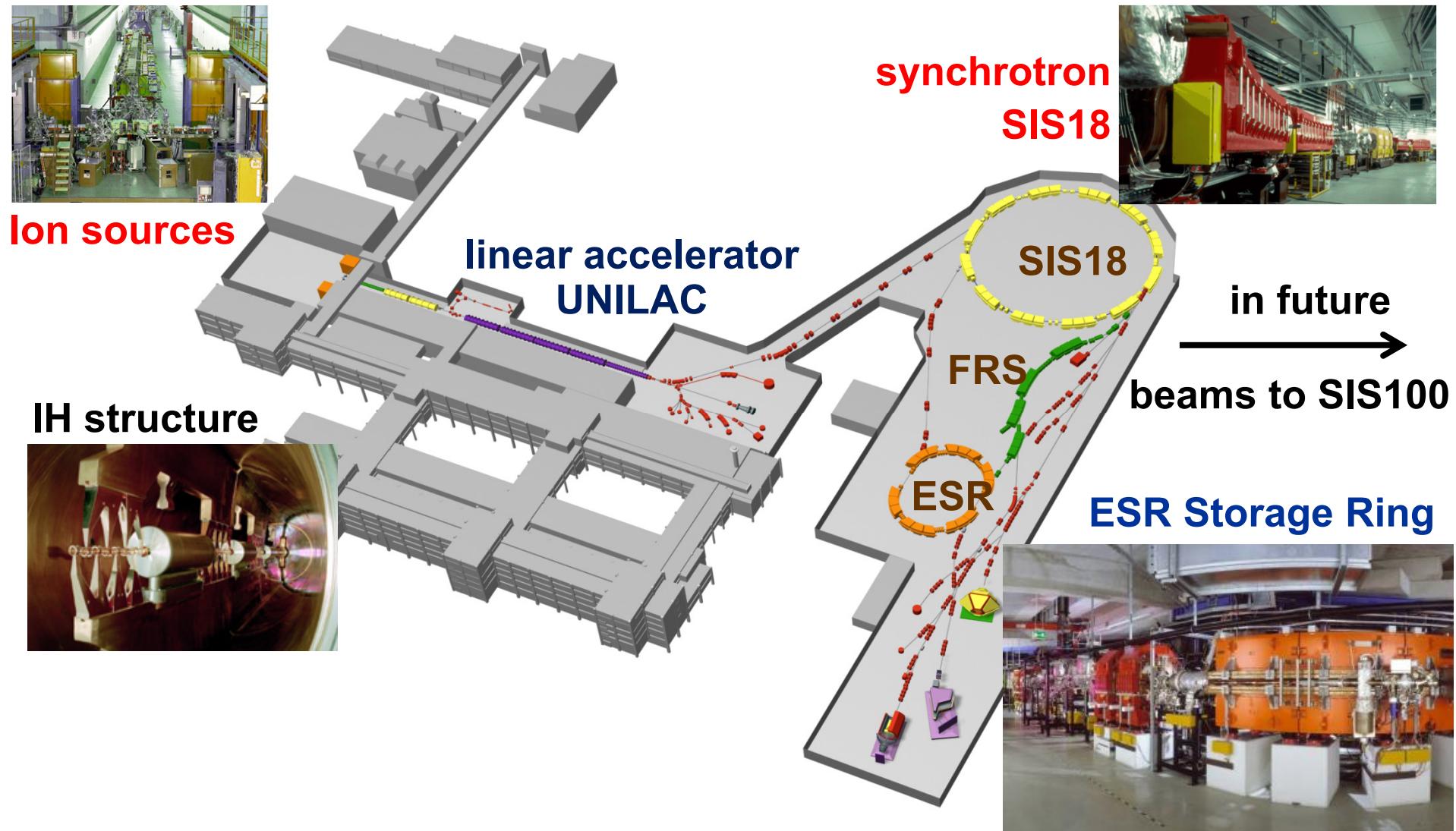
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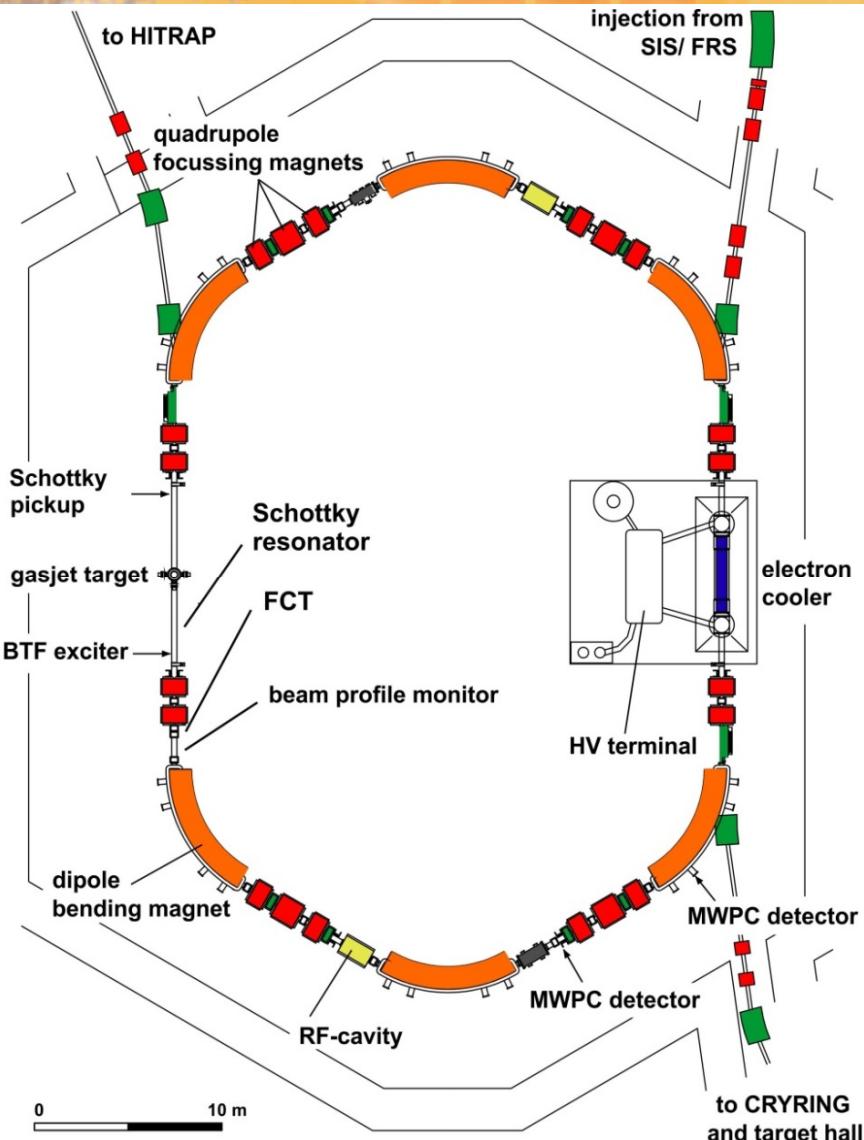
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# The GSI Accelerators: UNILAC, SIS18 and ESR

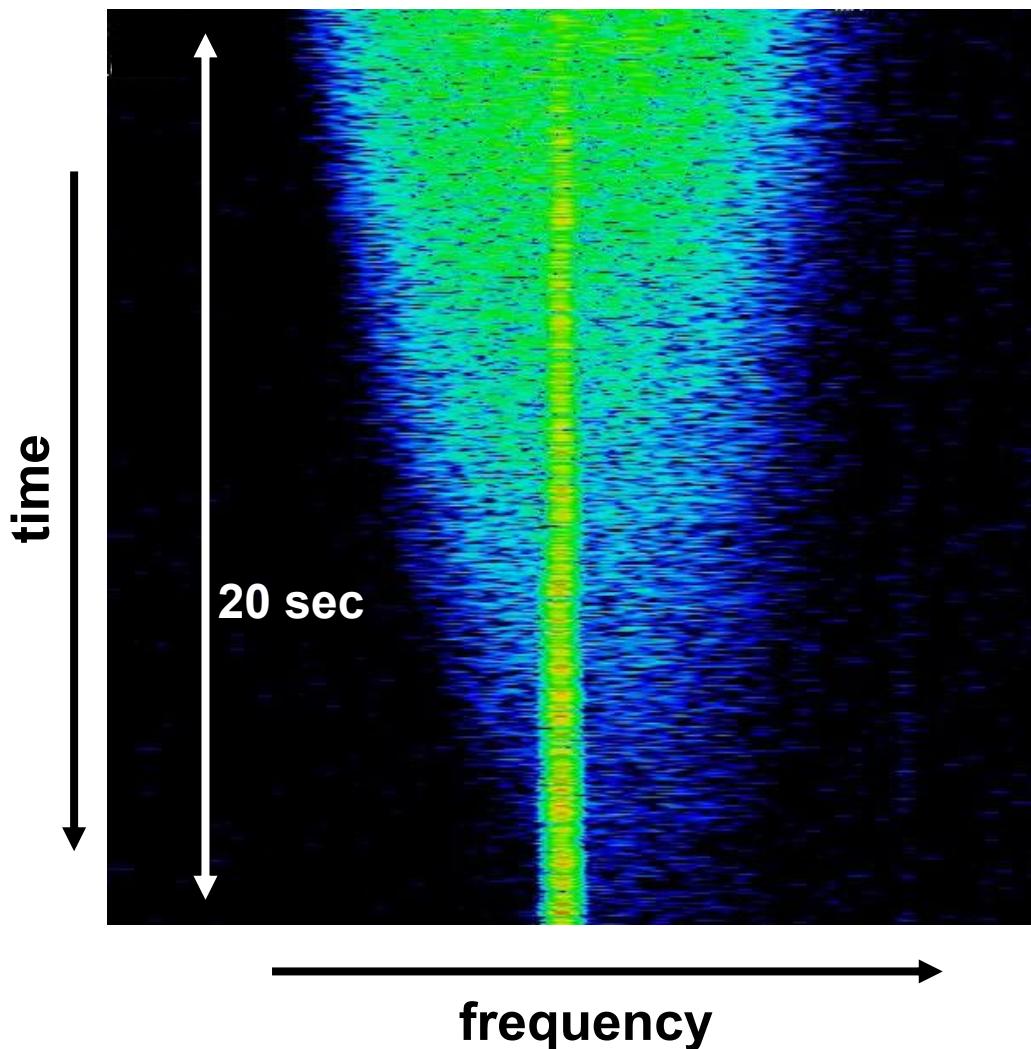


# Experimental Storage Ring



- Fast injection (stable ions / RIBs)
- Stochastic cooling ( $\geq 400$  MeV/u)
- Electron cooling (3 - 430 MeV/u)
- Laser cooling ( $C^{3+}$  120 MeV/u)
- Internal gas jet target
- Laser experiments
- Deceleration (down to 3 MeV/u)
- Fast extraction (HITRAP/CRYRING)
- Slow (resonant) extraction
- Ultraslow extraction (charge change)
- Beam accumulation
- Multi charge state/  
multi component operation
- Schottky mass spectrometry
- Isochronous mode

# Schottky Noise Measurement



some  $10^7$   $^{197}\text{Au}^{76+}$  ions  
at an energy of 300 MeV/u  
cooling process  
with electron cooling

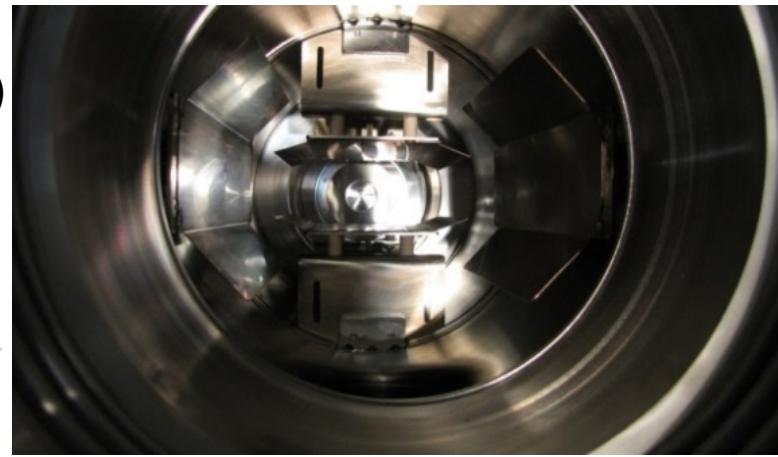
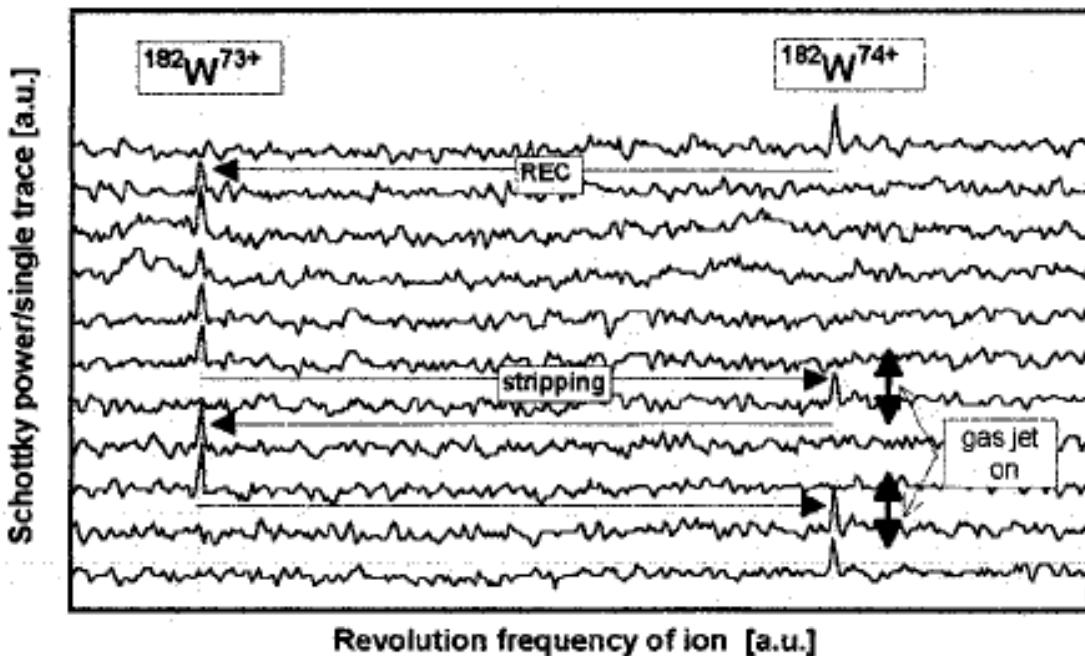
reduction of momentum spread  
initial value: about  $10^{-3}$   
final value: some  $10^{-5}$

Schottky noise analysis  
⇒ momentum spread  
momentum ⇒ velocity  
mass  
charge

# Single Particle Detection in ESR

standard capacitive Schottky noise pick-up  
broad band (~ 1-150 MHz)  
resonant circuit (30-80 MHz)

from GSI Scientific Report 1995



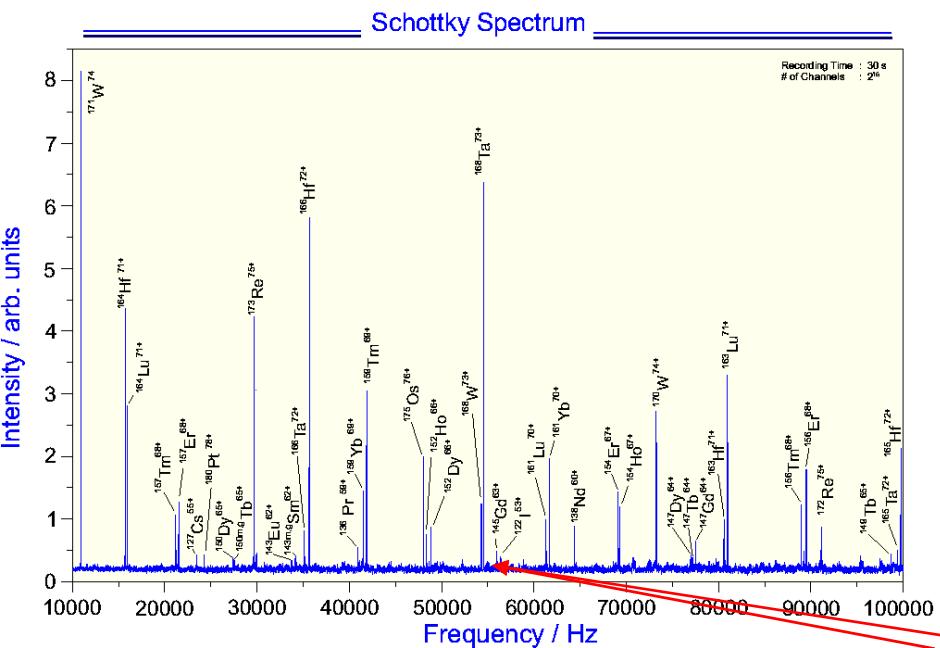
single tungsten ( $^{182}\text{W}$ ) ion  
cooled by electron cooling  
⇒ recombination  $74+ \rightarrow 73+$   
interacting with internal target  
⇒ ionization  $73+ \rightarrow 74+$

$$\text{Schottky signal power } P = N (Qe)^2 f_o^2$$

# Schottky Mass Spectrometry

**Injection of cocktail rare isotope beam from fragment separator FRS**  
**Cooling (stochastic pre-cooling + final electron cooling)**  
**Achieved momentum spread ( $\delta p/p = 5 \times 10^{-7}$ ,  $\delta f/f = 2 \times 10^{-7}$ )**

## broad band spectrum

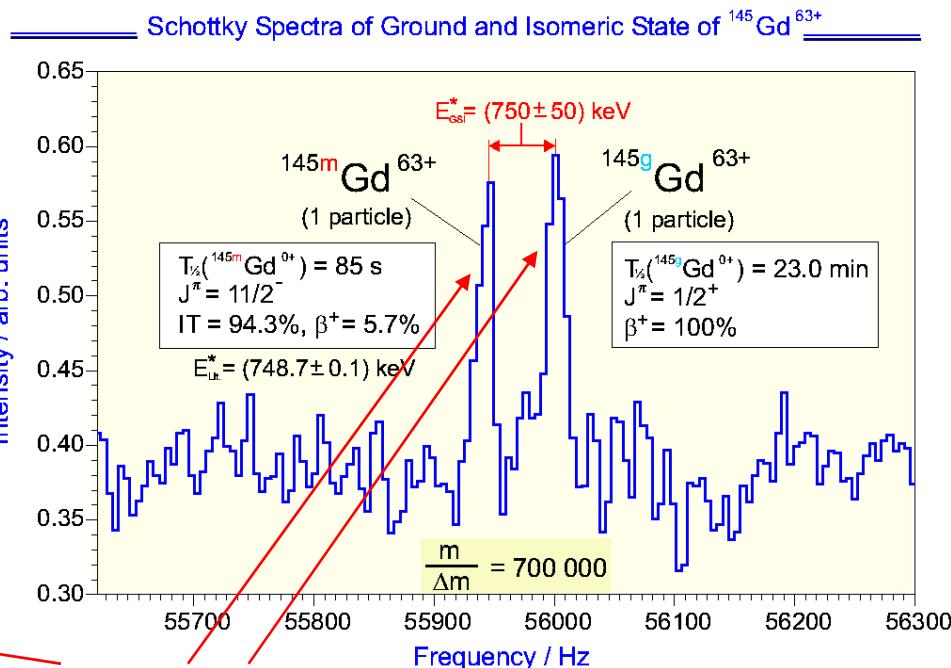


**Frequency:**  $\Delta f = f - f_{lo}$

Two single ions !

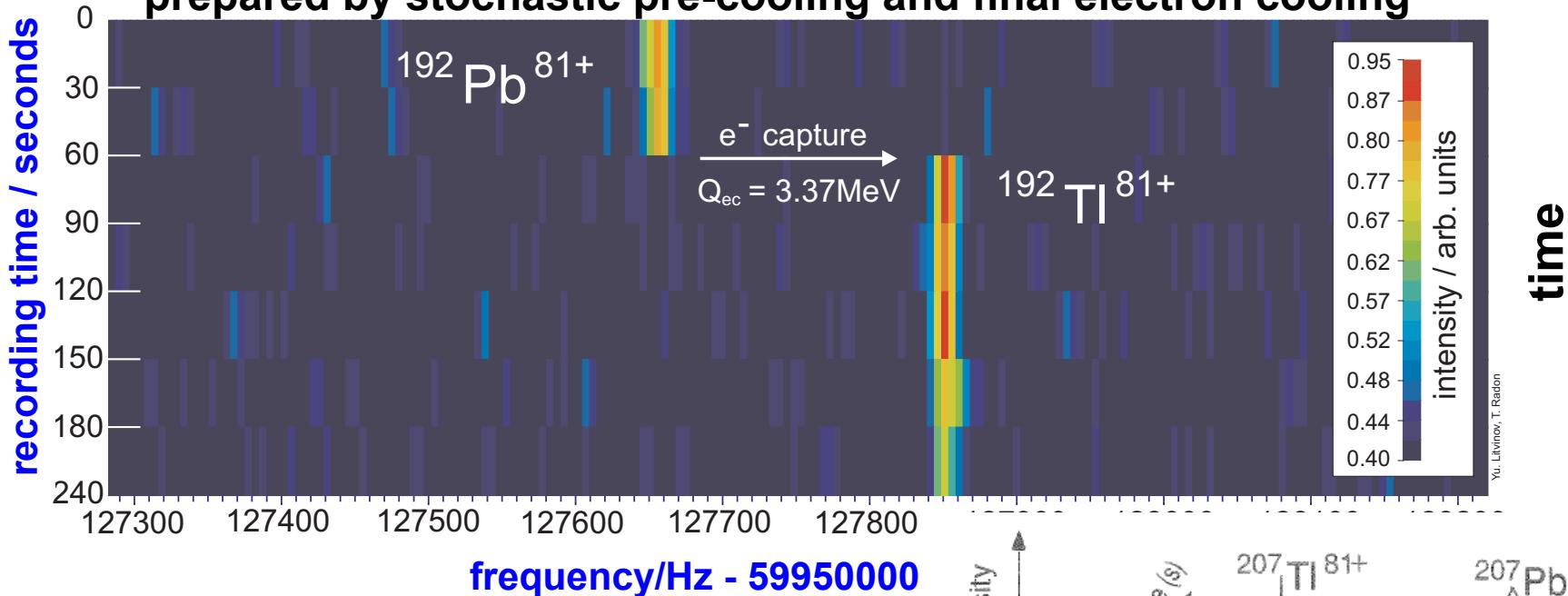
# Spectrometry

## **zoom of broad band spectrum**

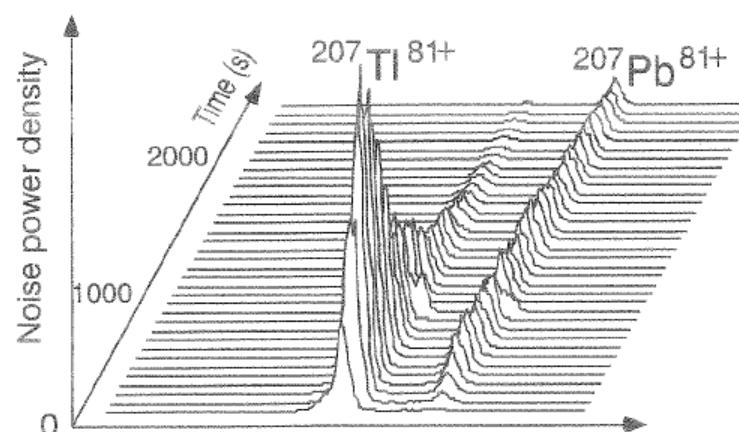


# Radioactive Decay of a Single Particle

Schottky noise signal of the decay of a single rare isotope prepared by stochastic pre-cooling and final electron cooling



low signal to noise ratio  
time resolution is limited  
averaging over many seconds



from GSI scientific report 2000/2001 Frequency

# Design Considerations for a Schottky Resonator in the ESR

increased sensitivity to single ions

faster detection of single ions

⇒ measurement of decay time with millisecond resolution

UHV compatibility

decoupling of the resonator from the beam at high intensity

tuning range of resonant frequency

frequency band width up to one percent ⇒ moderate Q

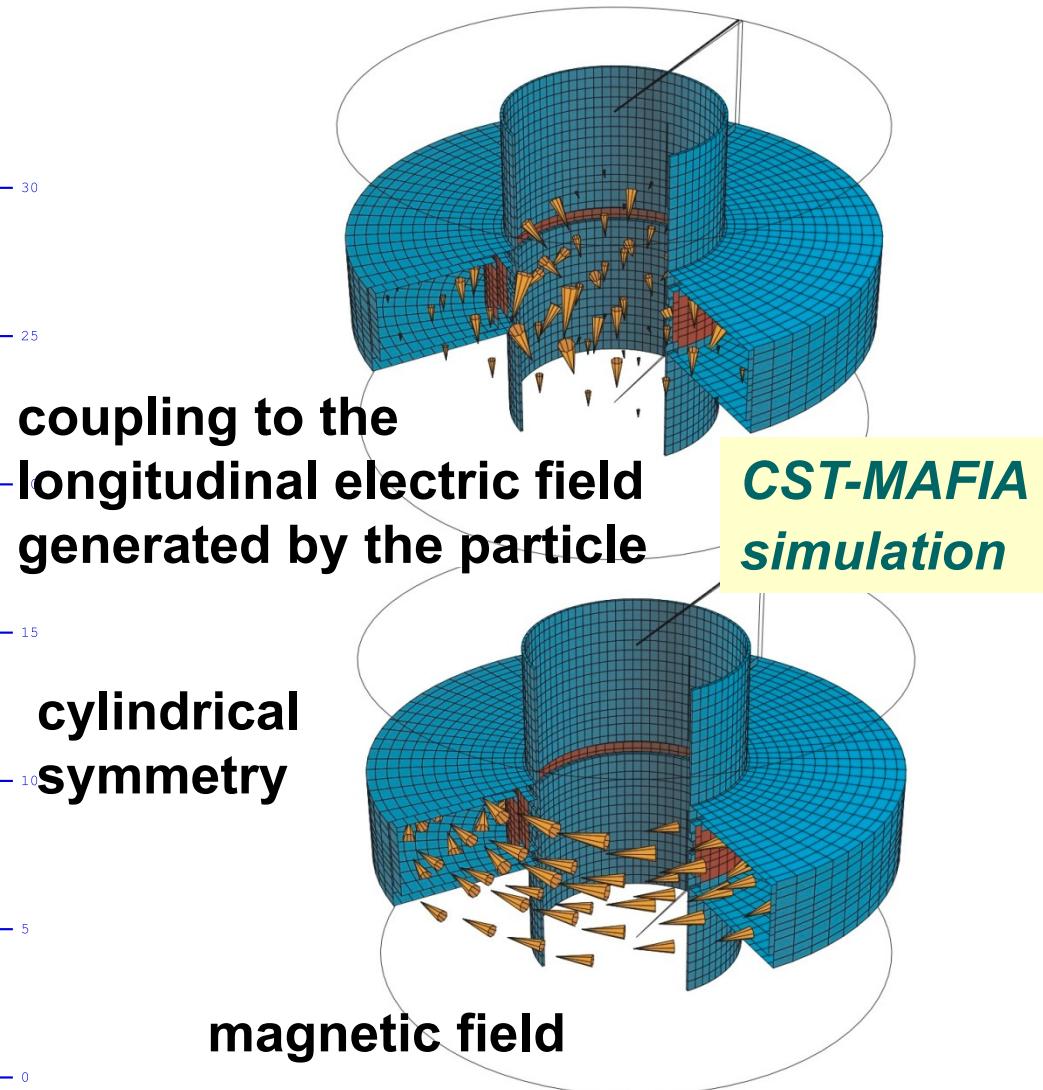
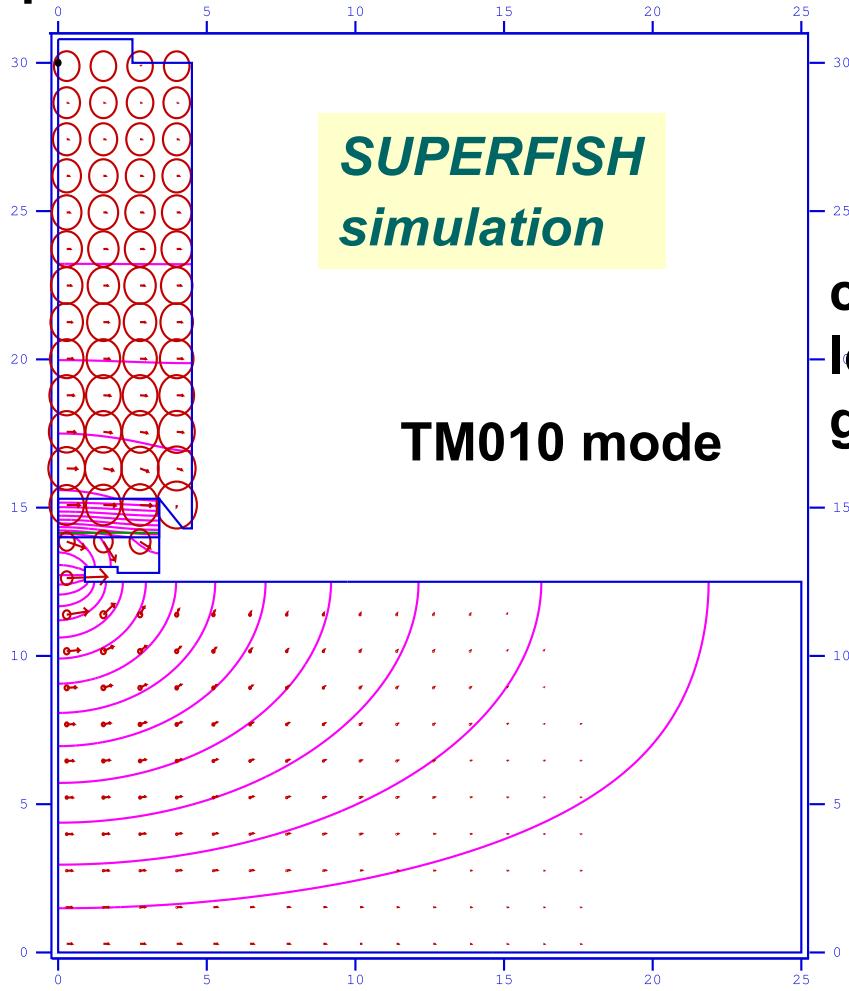
choice of resonant frequency

larger sensitivity <=> better time resolution  
(lower frequency) (higher frequency)

mechanical dimensions of cavity (space restrictions)

# Pillbox Type Cavity

resonant frequency  $\sim 244$  MHz,  
pillbox radius 30 cm



# Signal to Noise Ratio of a Single Particle

**single particle power  
on resonance:**  $P = \frac{1}{4} I^2 R_S = \frac{1}{4} (qef_0)^2 R_S$

**quality factor**

$$Q_{\text{unloaded}} = 1130$$

**shunt impedance**

$$R_s(\beta=0.7) = 40 \text{ k}\Omega$$

**signal power**

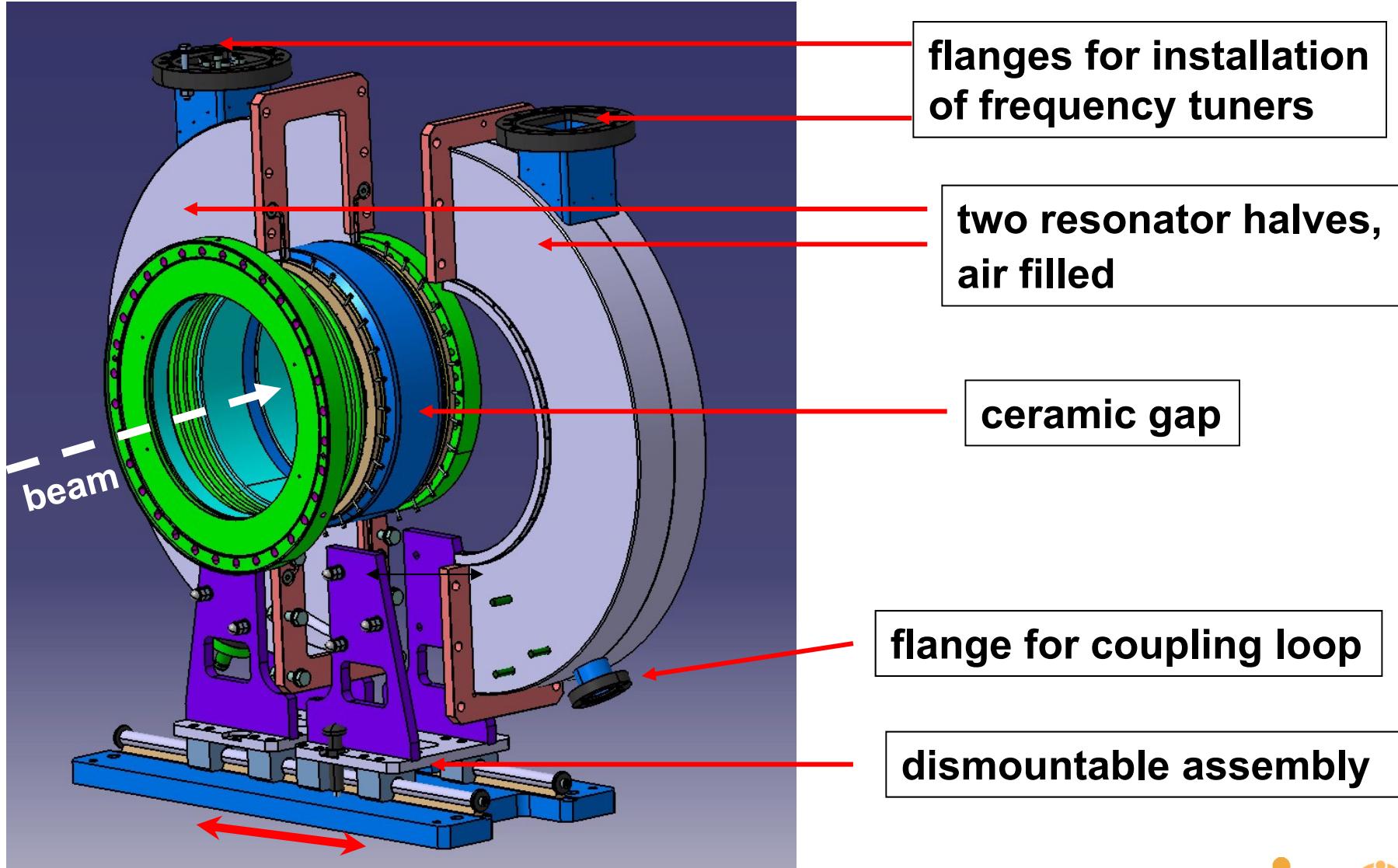
$$P = q^2 \times 1 \times 10^{-21} \text{ W}$$

**frequency resolution**  $\delta f/f = 10^{-6}$  (very cool beams, single particle)

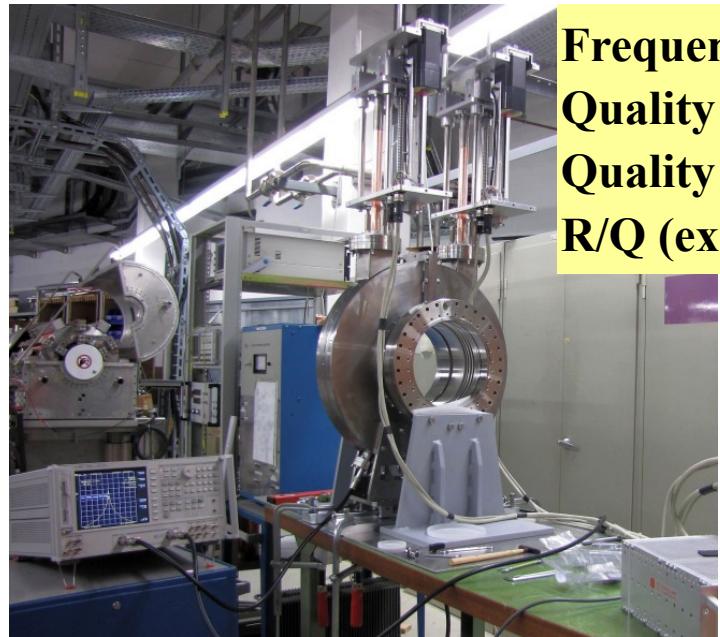
**electronic noise floor**  $dP_{\text{noise}}/df = -173 \text{ dBm} = 5 \times 10^{-21} \text{ W/Hz}$

$$P_{\text{noise}} < P(q) \Rightarrow q \gtrsim 30$$

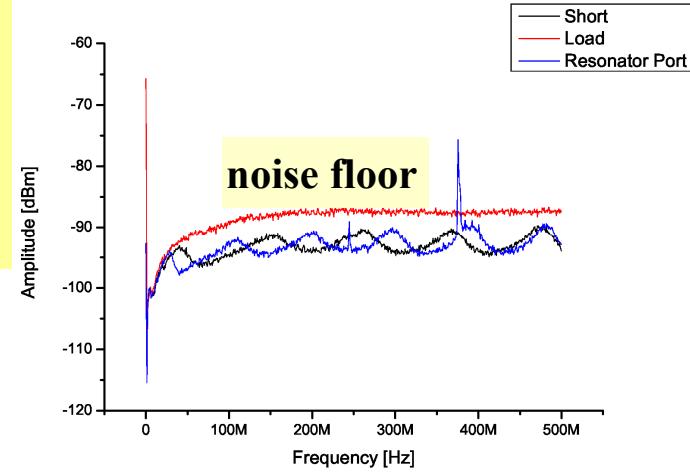
# Basic Resonator Design



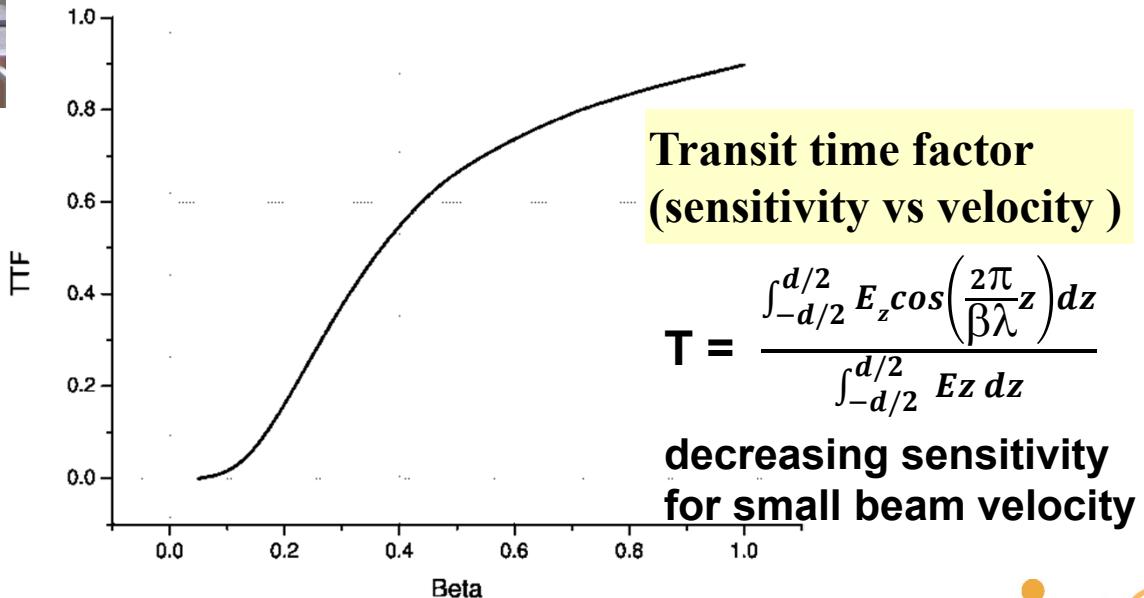
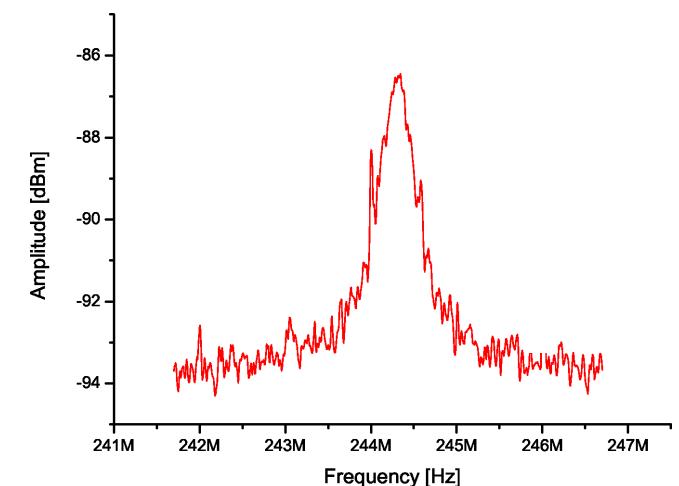
# Schottky Resonator Properties



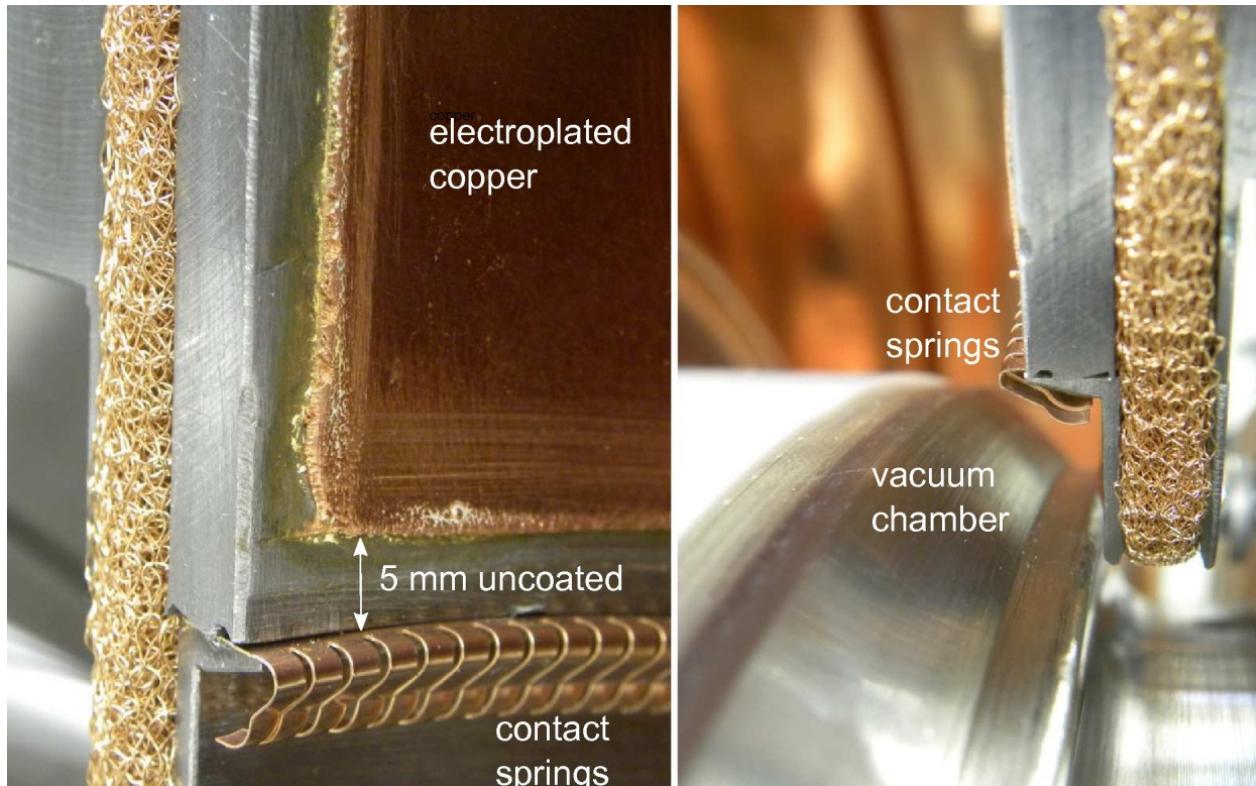
Frequency  $244 \pm 2.5$  MHz  
Quality factor (unloaded) 1130  
Quality factor calc. 1940/3837  
R/Q (experimental)  $50.7 \Omega$



Simulated results with SUPERFISH for ESR resonator



# Reduction of Quality Factor



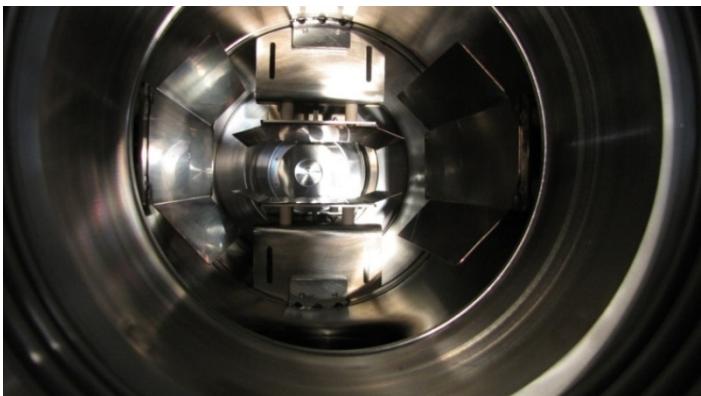
**Dielectric losses in ceramics**

**Losses in stainless steel inside vacuum chamber**

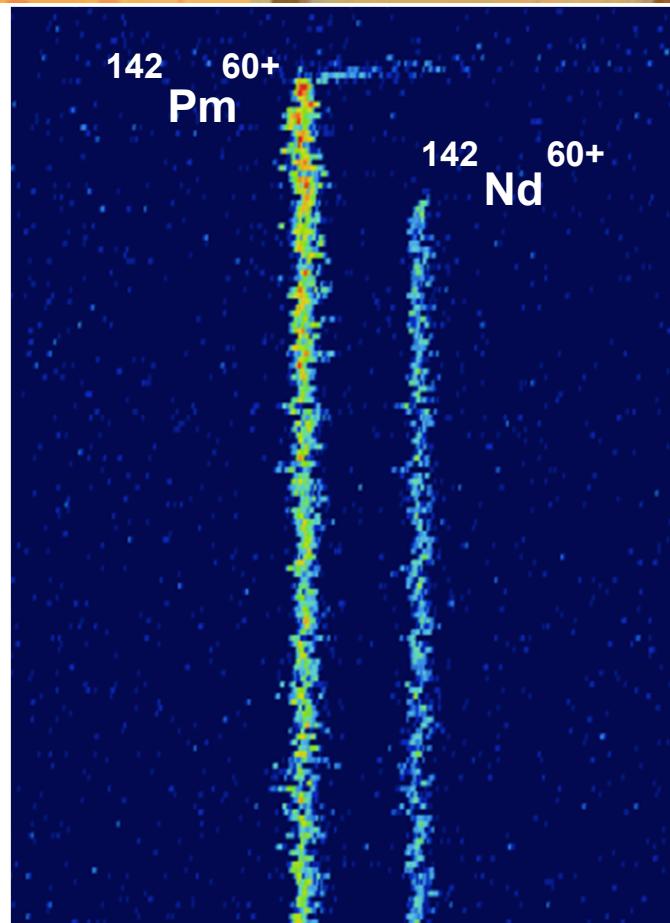
**Partially exposed construction steel surface**

**no problem, as larger band width is requested anyhow**

# New Schottky Resonator

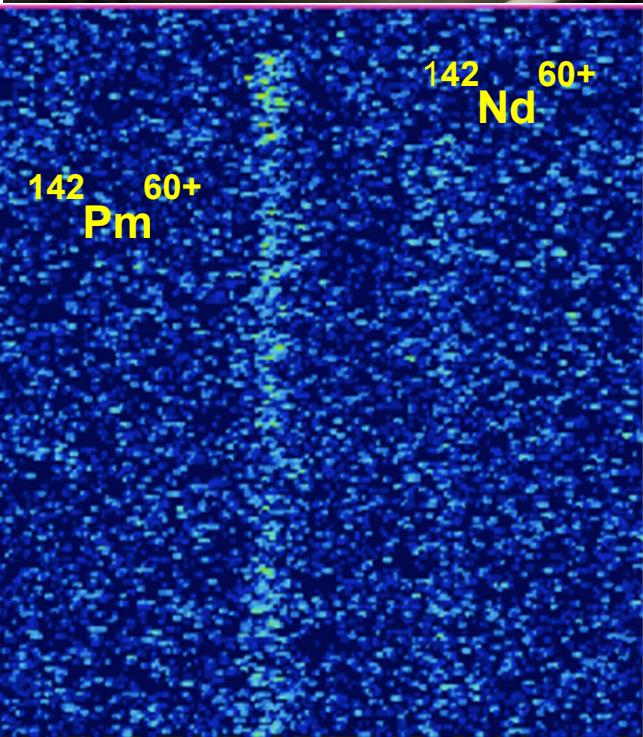
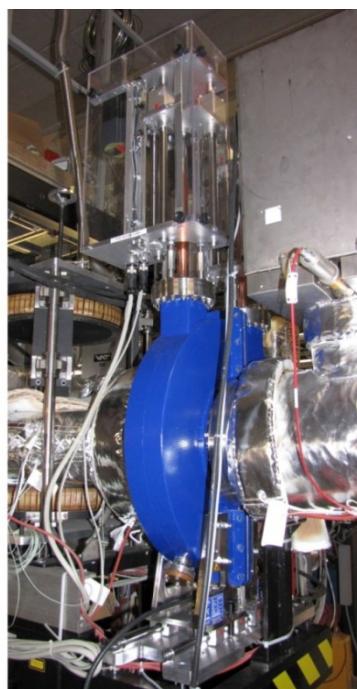


Old Schottky  
Pick-up  
Stripline electrode  
with resonant circuit  
matched to 30<sup>th</sup> harmonic  
of the revolution frequency



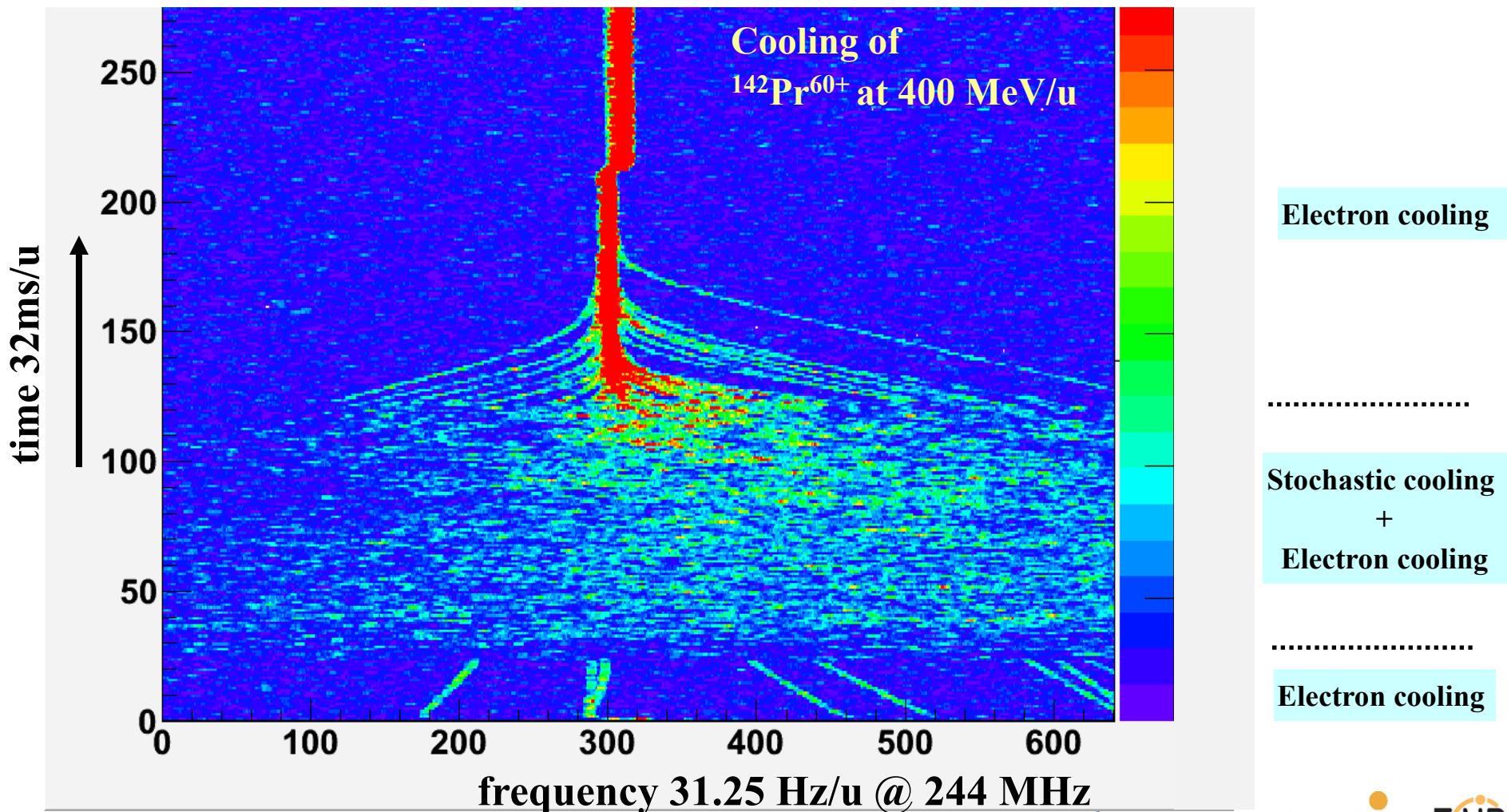
New Resonator Cavity  
(pill box type)

124<sup>th</sup> harmonic of the revolution frequency

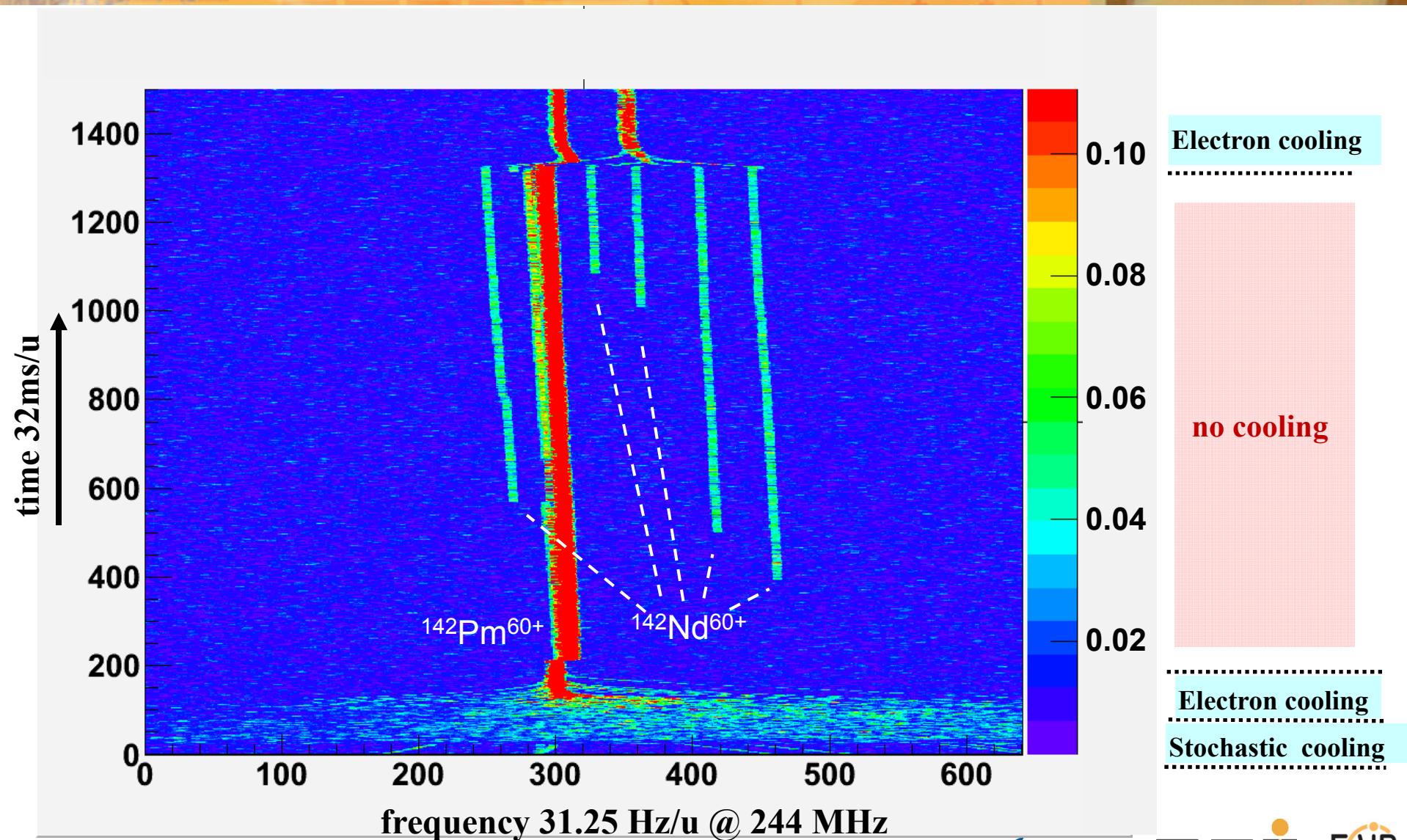


# Measurement of Cooling Process

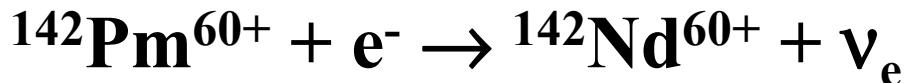
combined effect of stochastic and electron cooling



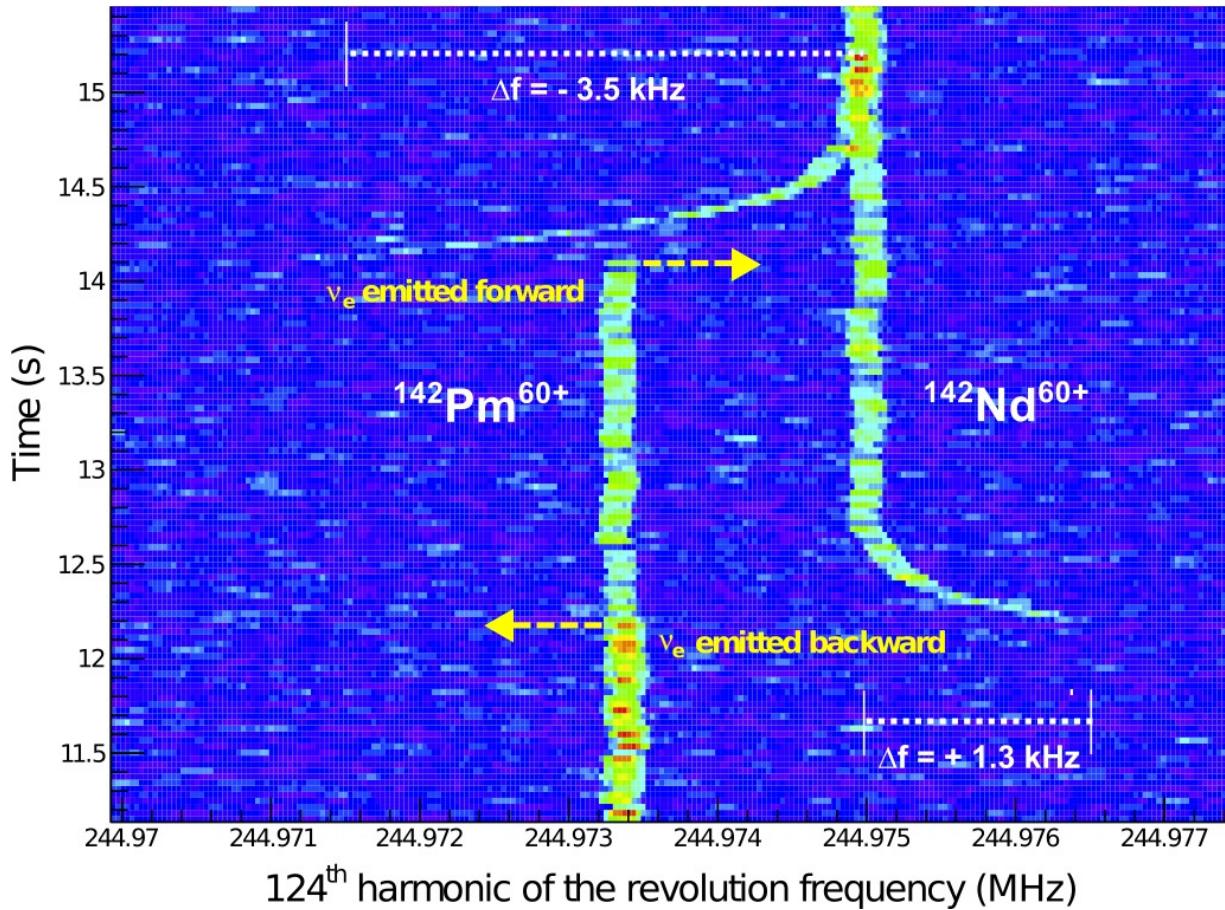
# Measurement of Radioactive Decay



# Measurement of Electron Capture Decay

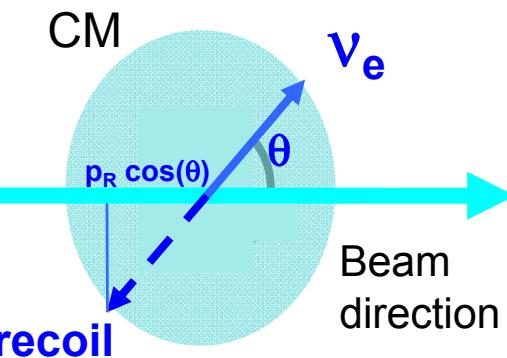
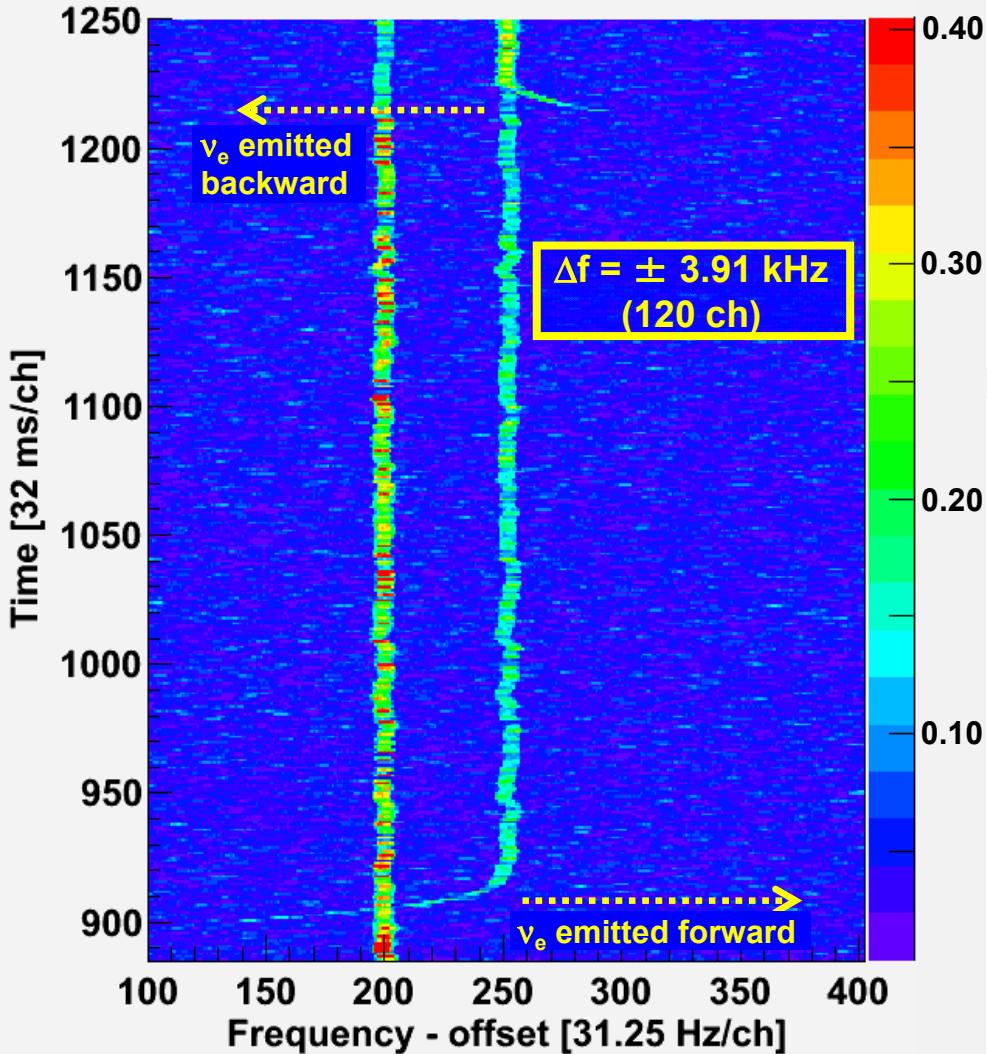


isotropic emission of neutrino  $\Rightarrow$  transfer of energy 90 eV to daughter ion

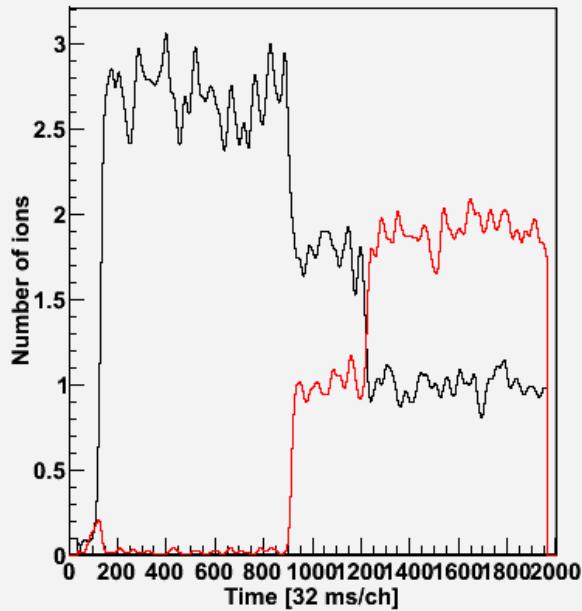


# Three Parent H-Like $^{142}\text{Pm}$ Ions

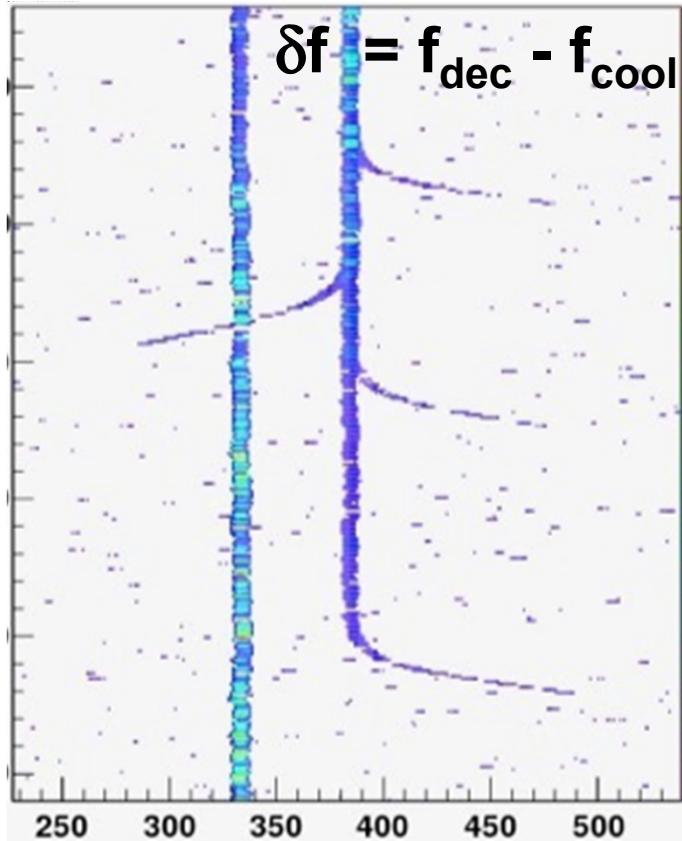
Time-resolved Schotky Spectrum



Number of parent and daughter ions



# Revolution Frequency Difference $\delta f$ of the Recoils just after Decay



For a (longitudinally) unpolarized beam the distribution should have a rectangular shape

For a (steadily controlled) polarized beam the distribution would provide the helicity of the neutrino

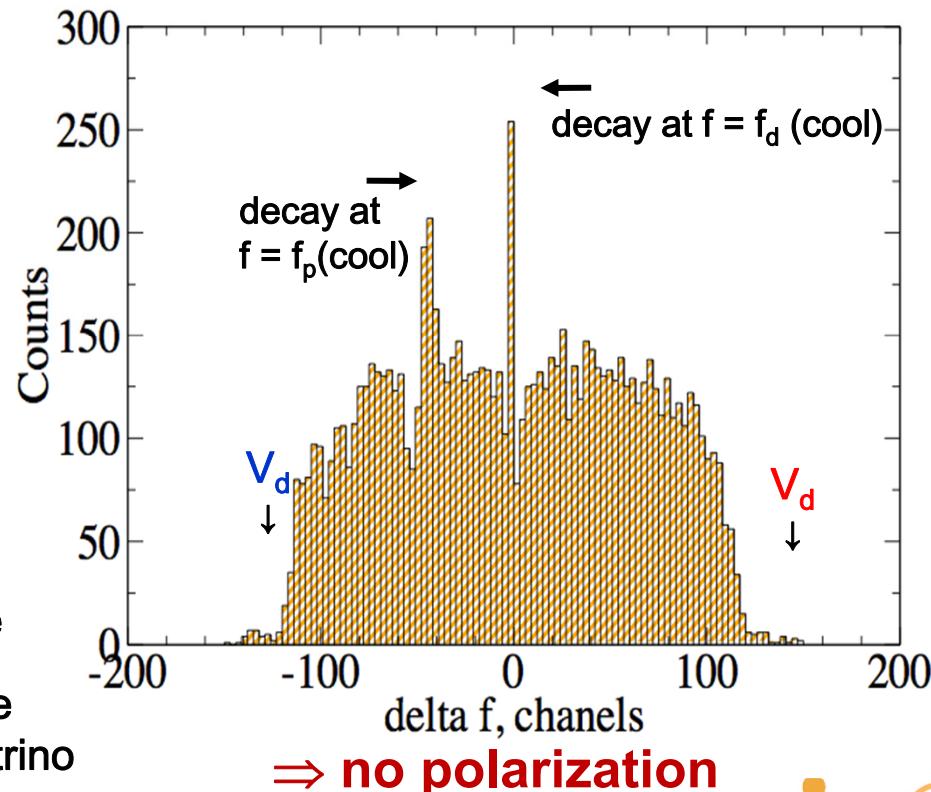
momentum conservation:

from  $v_d$  and  $m_d$  one gets the momentum of the (monochromatic) neutrino:  $(pc)_d = m_d c v_d = (pc)_\nu$

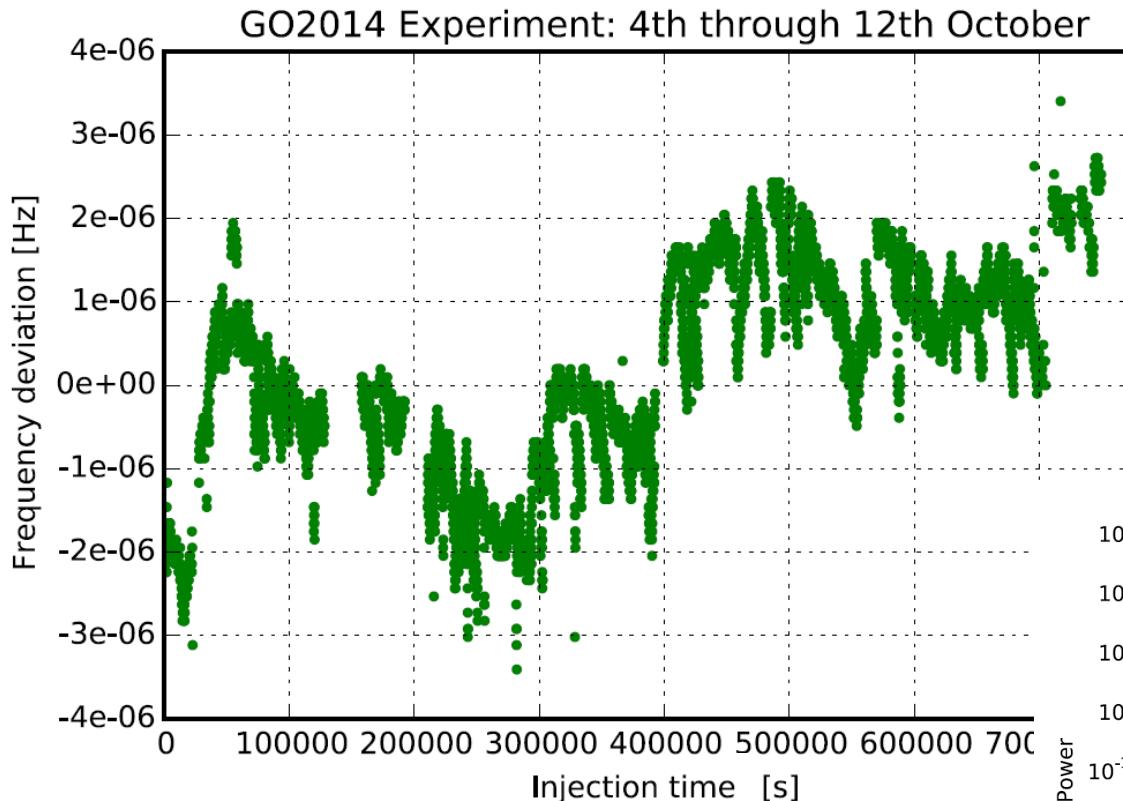
energy conservation:

from  $m_p$  and  $m_d$  one gets its energy:

$$E_\nu = (m_p - m_d) c^2 \text{ and then } \beta_\nu = E_\nu / (pc)_\nu$$

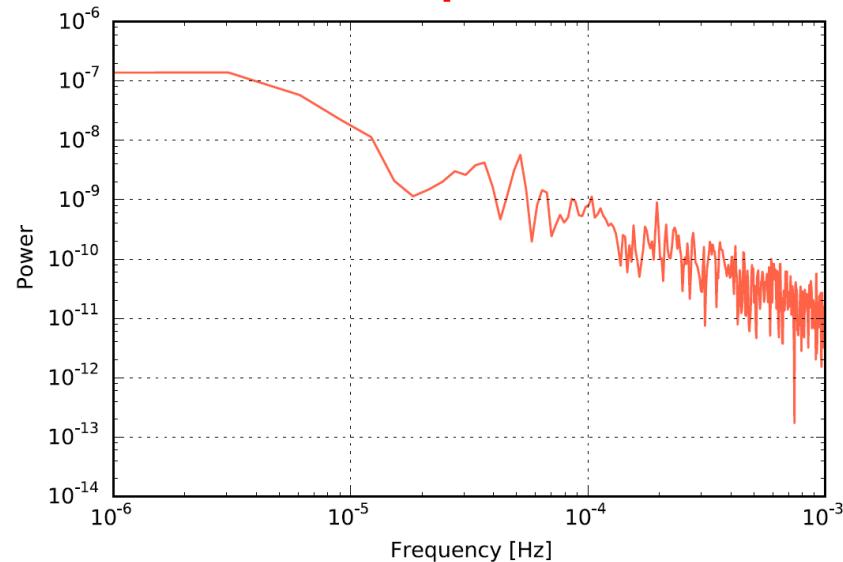


# Stability of Revolution Frequency



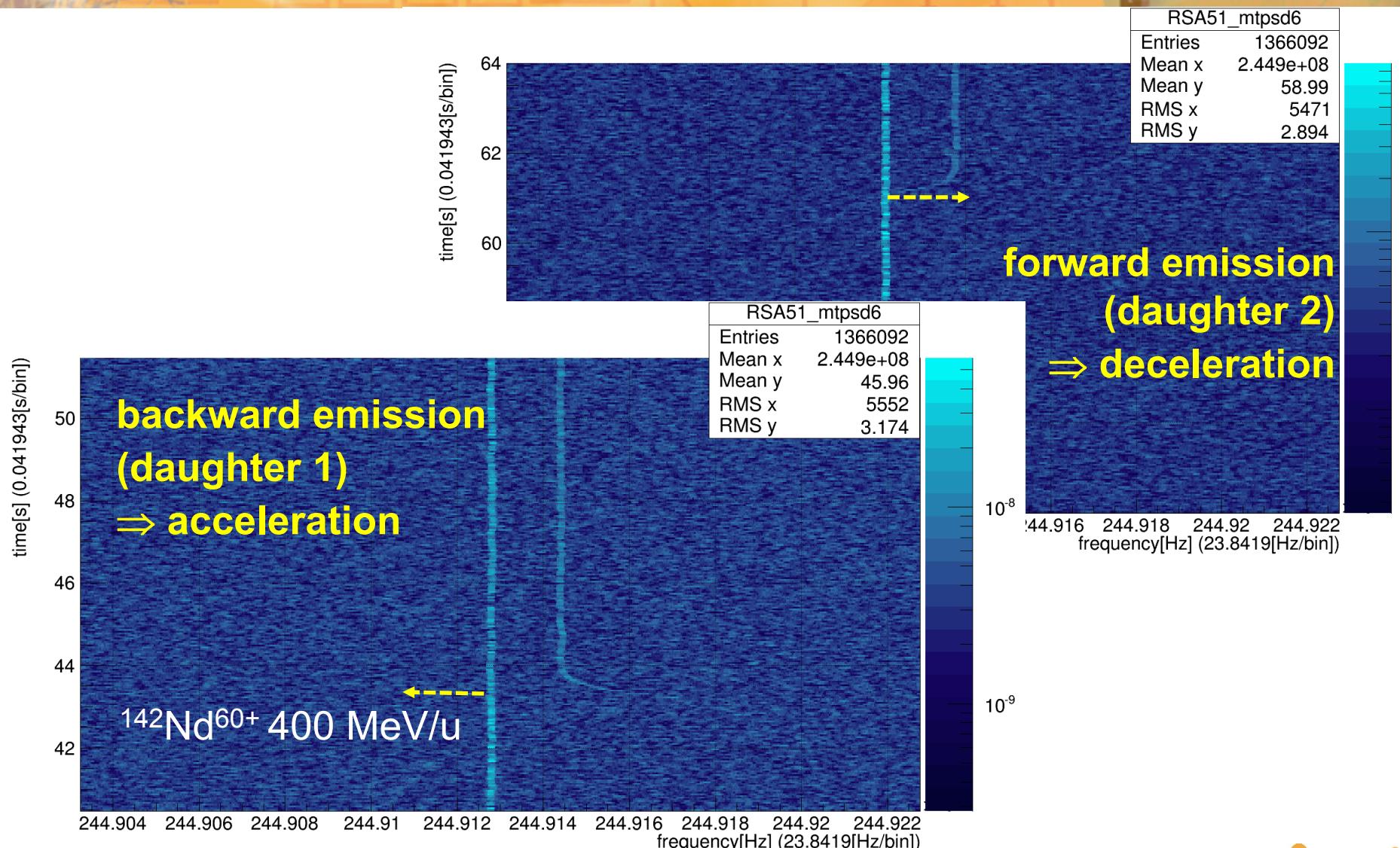
frequency variation over one week determined from the peak position

FFT of temporal variation

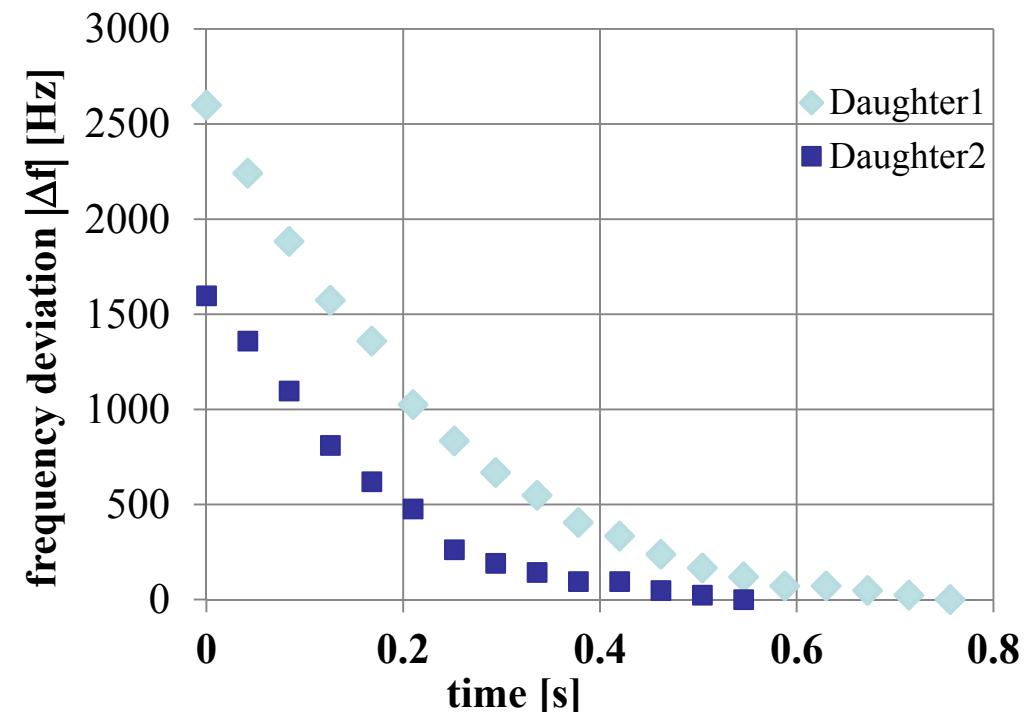


vibrations of revolution frequency  
over one week:  $\leq \pm 3 \times 10^{-6}$   
stability of magnet power converters  
stability of electron beam (energy)

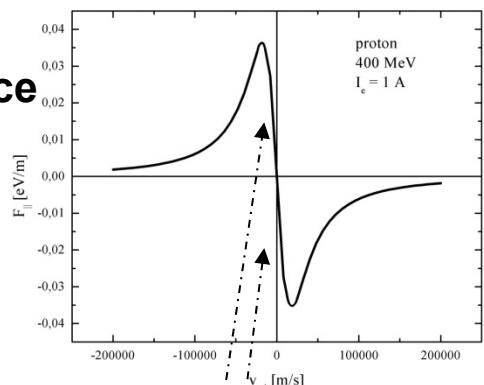
# Analysis of Cooling Process



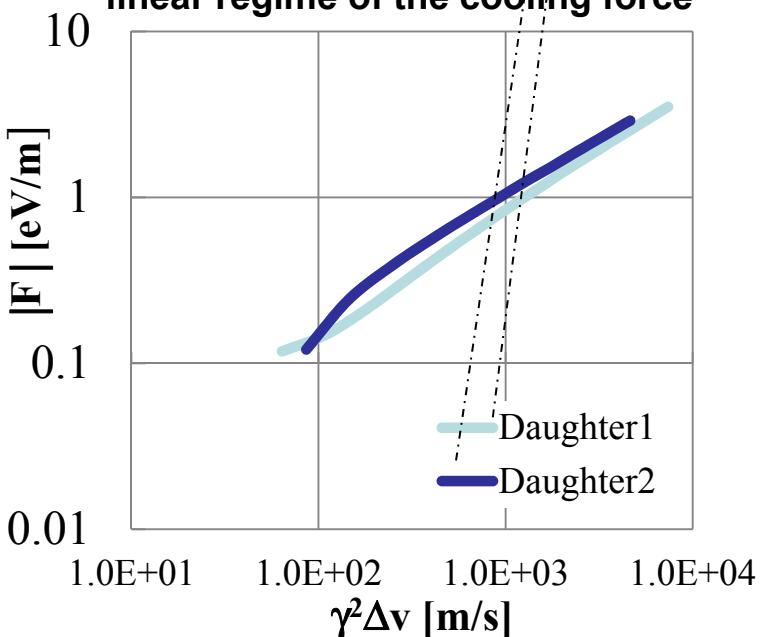
# Analysis of Cooling Process



theoretical  
cooling force



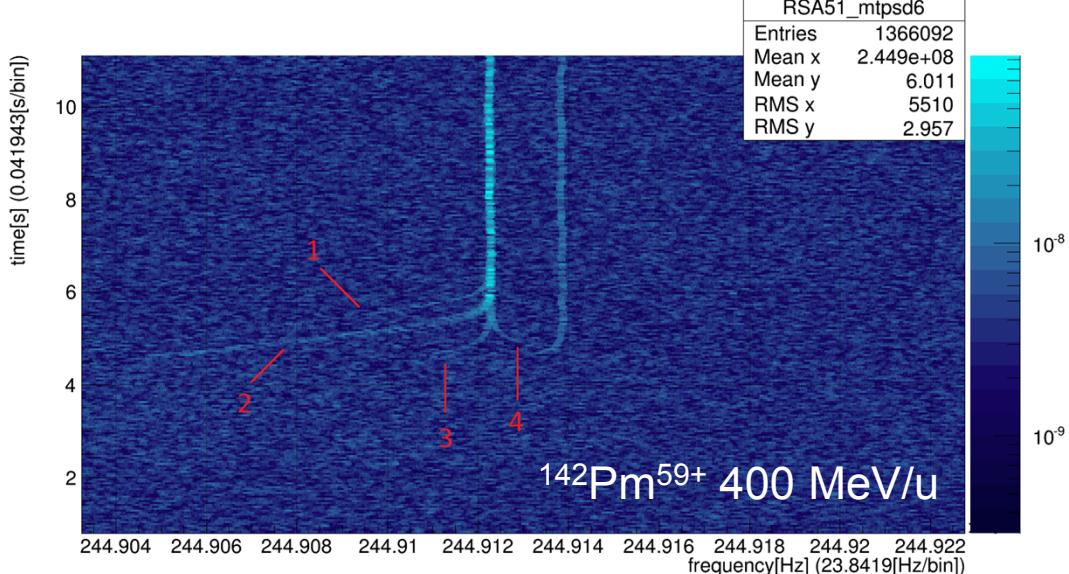
linear regime of the cooling force



$$\text{force } \mathbf{F} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{p}}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\eta} \frac{1}{f} \mathbf{p} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}$$

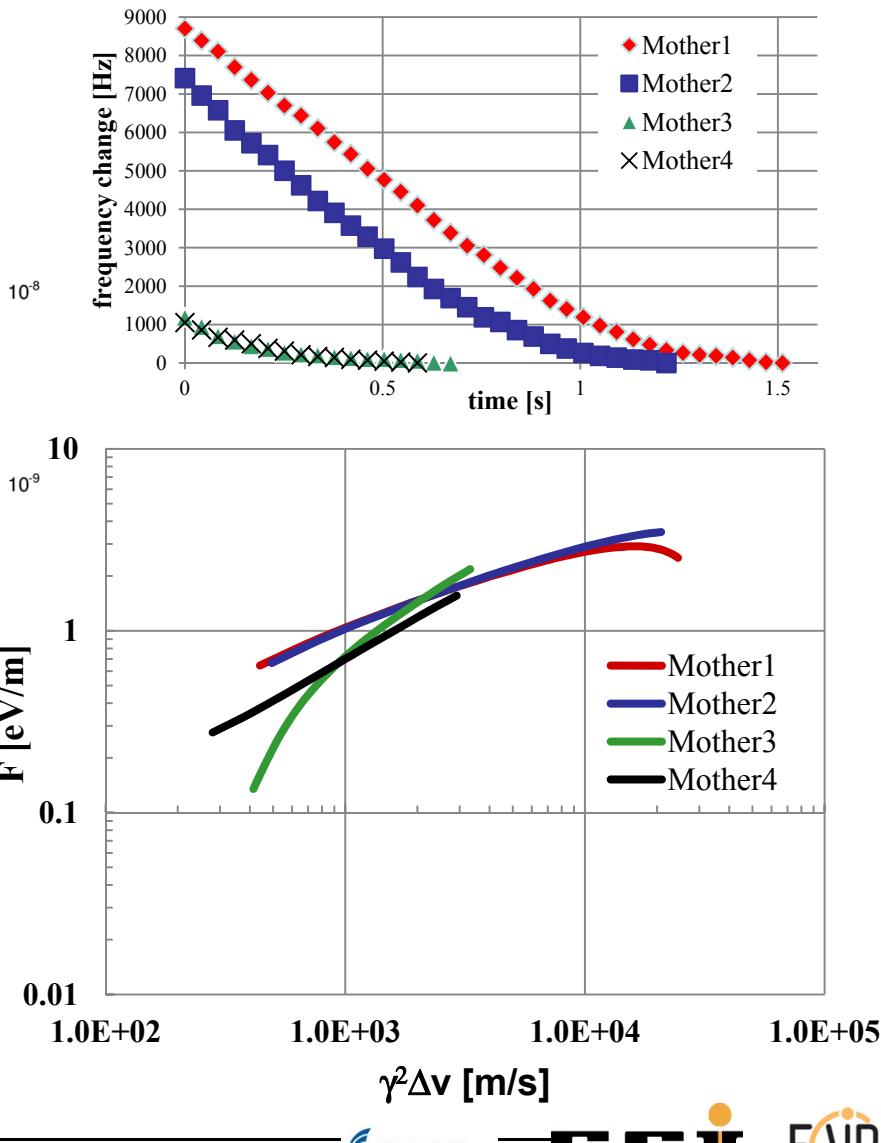
$$\text{relative velocity } \gamma^2 \Delta v = \frac{1}{\eta} \mathbf{v}_0 \frac{\Delta f}{f}$$

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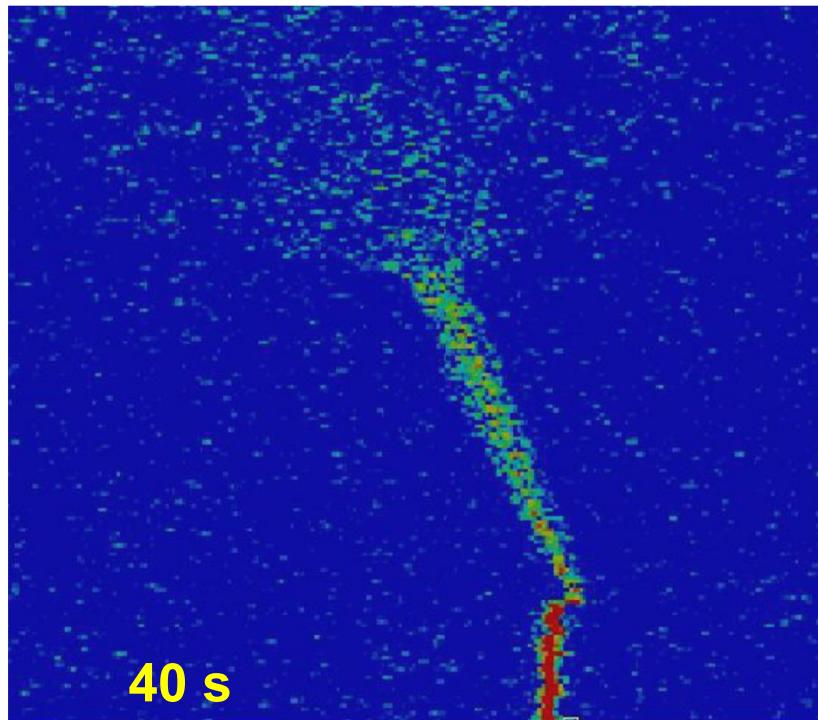
cooling force depends on initial parameters of the ion (single particle emittance)  
ions start with different relative velocities (longitudinal and transverse)

for single ions:  
no uncertainty due to finite ion distribution



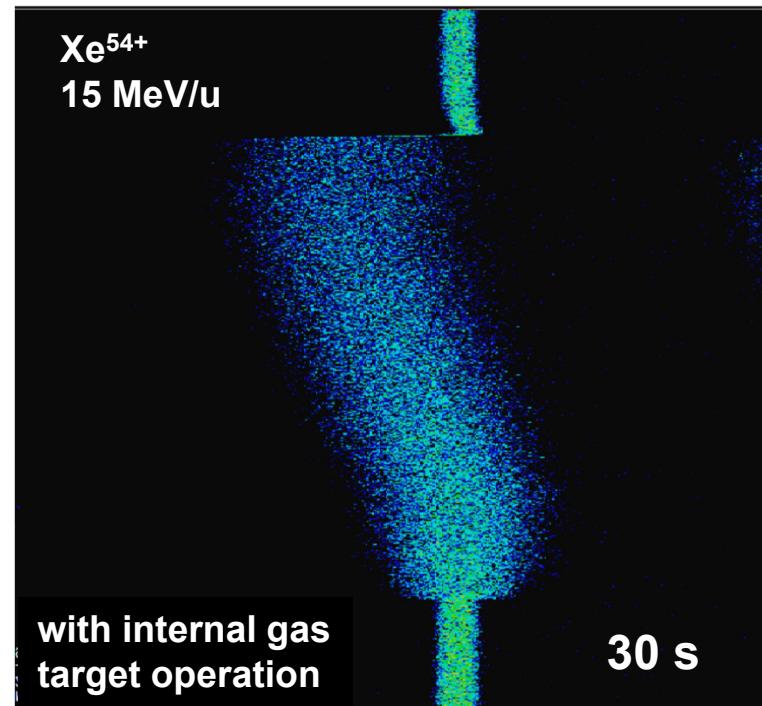
# High Sensitivity Measurement of Interaction with Matter

deceleration in residual gas



$$\text{dp/p} = 1 \times 10^{-5}$$

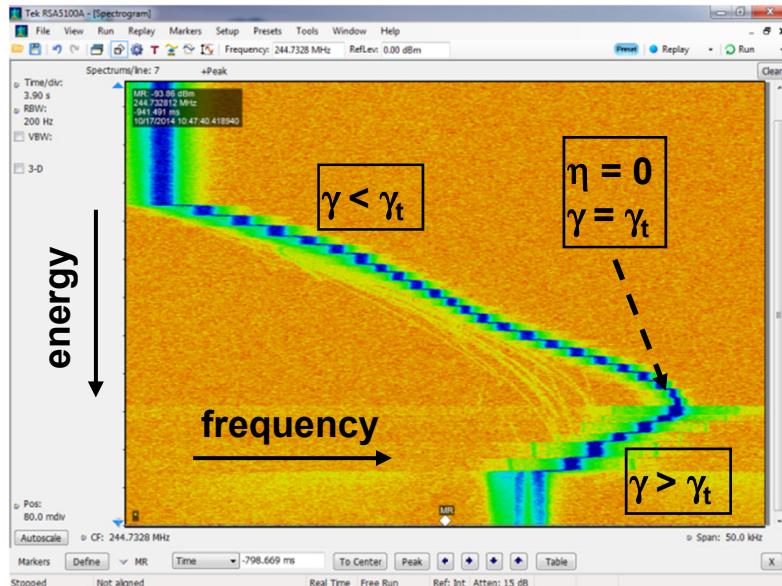
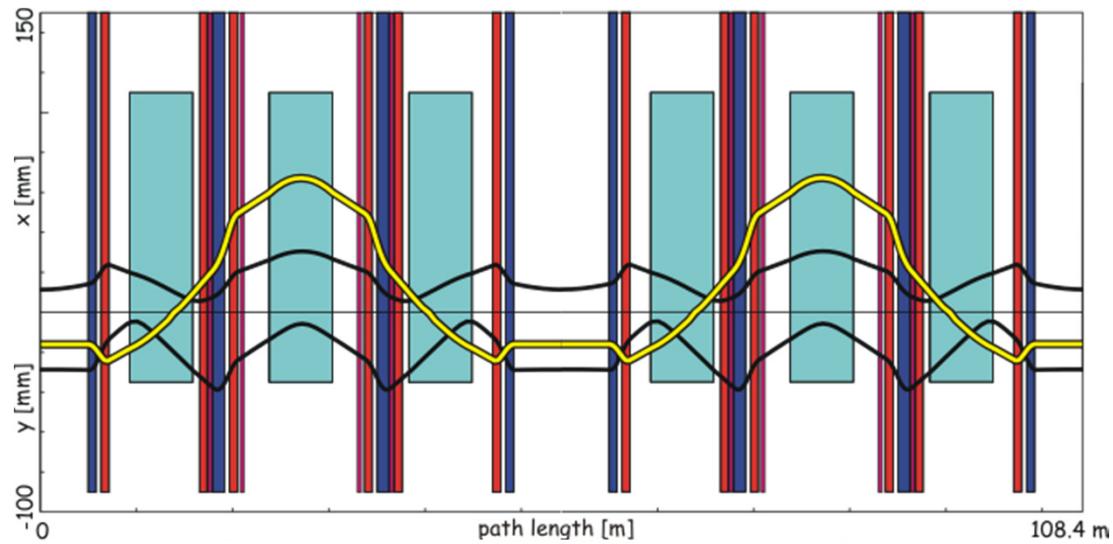
deceleration in internal target



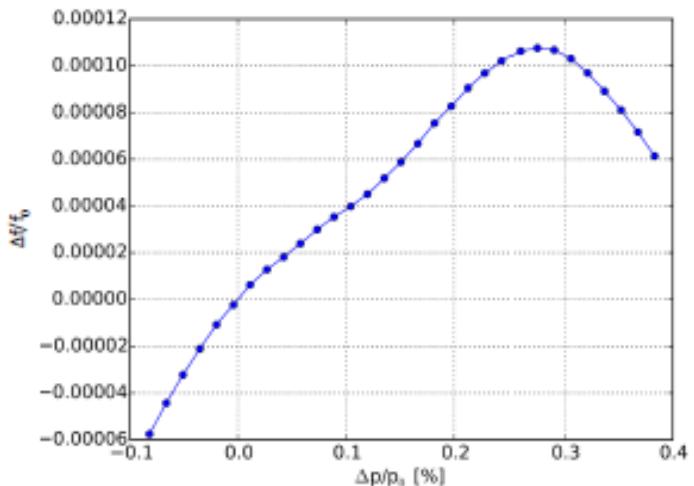
$$\text{dp/p} = 1 \times 10^{-3}$$

Measurement of single ions allows the measurement of target effects without the uncertainty introduced by the beam spread

# Isochronous Mode of the ESR for Mass Measurements of Short-lived Isotopes

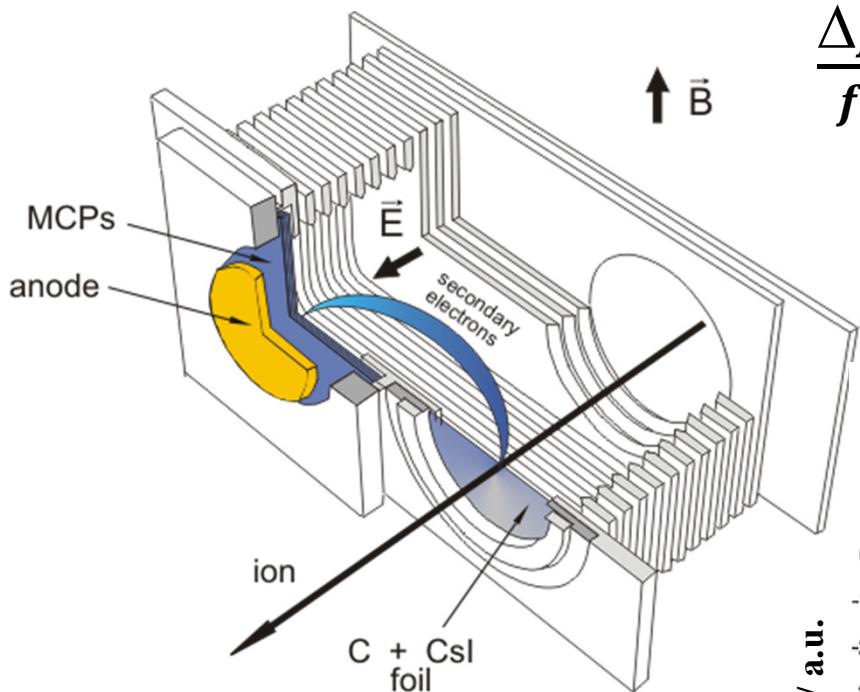


operation at transition energy:  
negative dispersion in straight section  
makes revolution frequency  
independent of the beam momentum  
 $\eta = 0 \Leftrightarrow \gamma = \gamma_t$ , (transition energy  $\gamma_t$ )



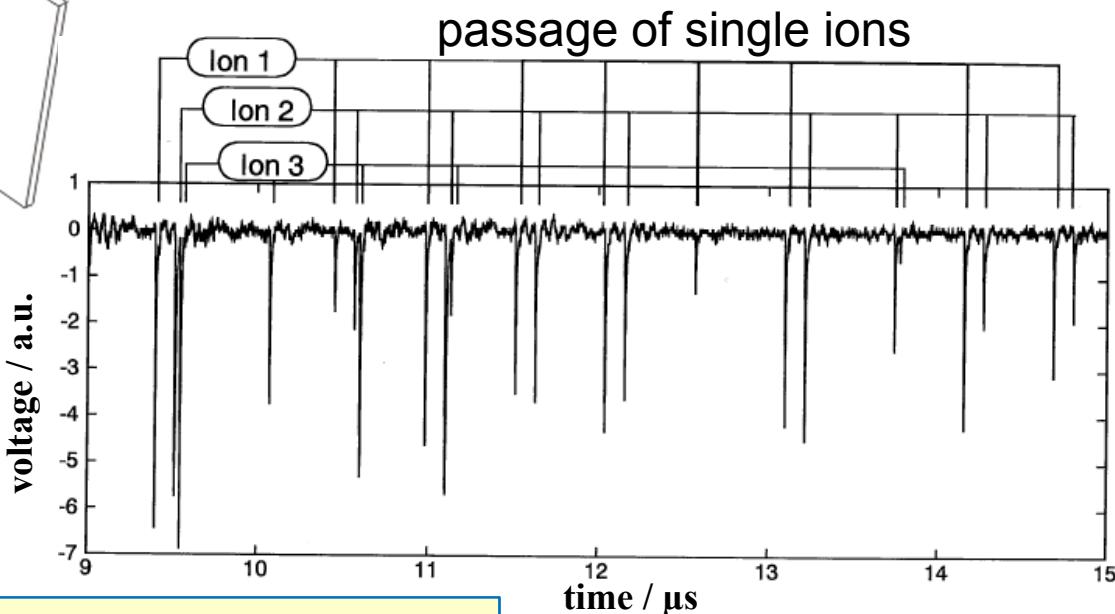
measurement of  
transition energy  
by variation of  
beam energy

# ToF Detector



$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = -\frac{\Delta T}{T} = \frac{1}{\gamma t^2} \frac{\Delta(m/q)}{m/q} - \left(1 - \frac{\gamma^2}{\gamma t^2}\right) \frac{\Delta v}{v}$$

( if  $\gamma = \gamma_t$  )

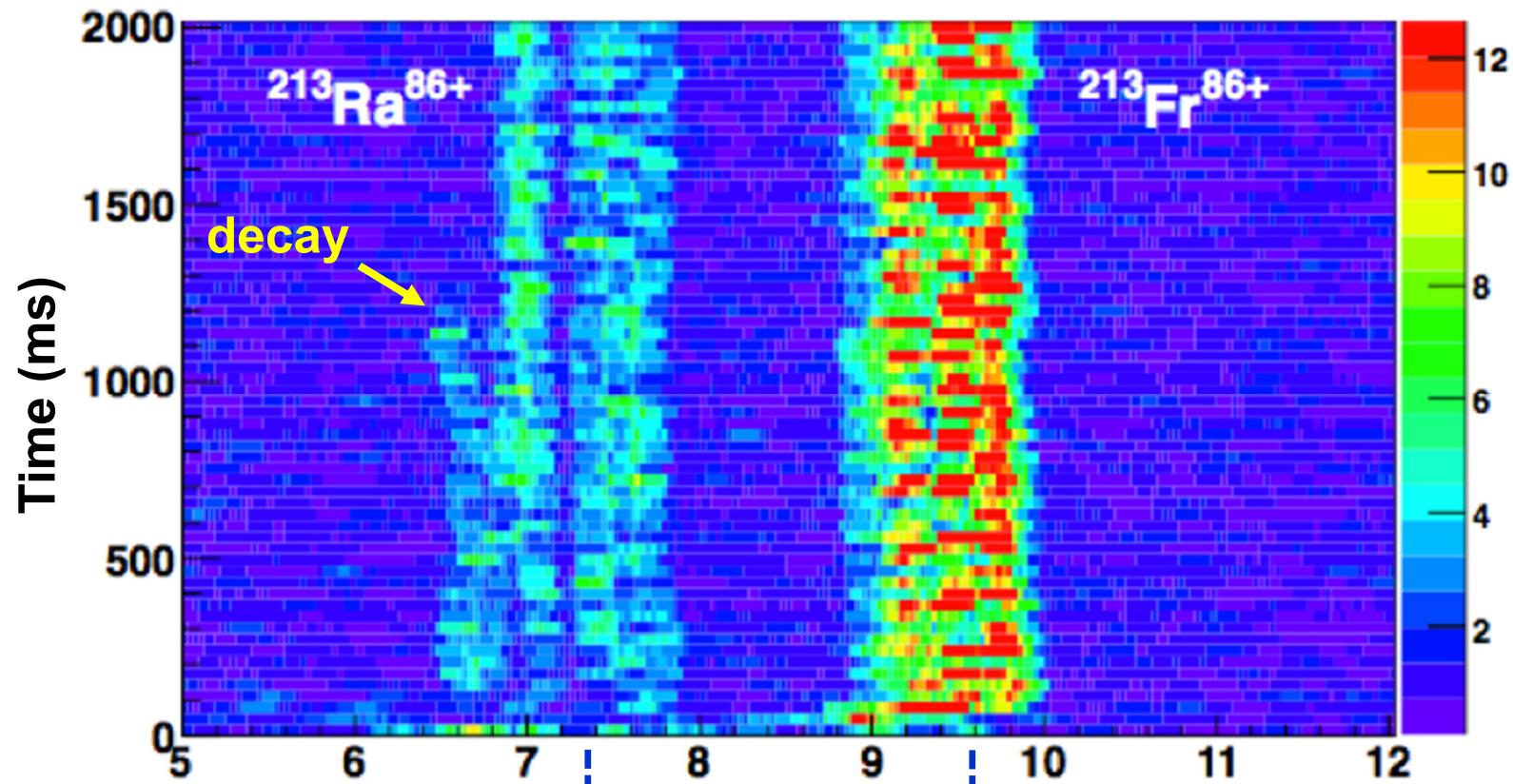


ion is lost after a few thousand turns due to energy loss in foil,  
⇒ a few milliseconds of storage

a Schottky detector with millisecond measuring time should be competitive or even superior

# Resonator Measurement in Isochronous Mode

detection of the decay of a radioactive ion in the isochronous mode injected with a momentum spread of  $\pm 0.2\%$  (no cooling)



$$\Delta m/m = 1.88 \times 10^{-5}$$

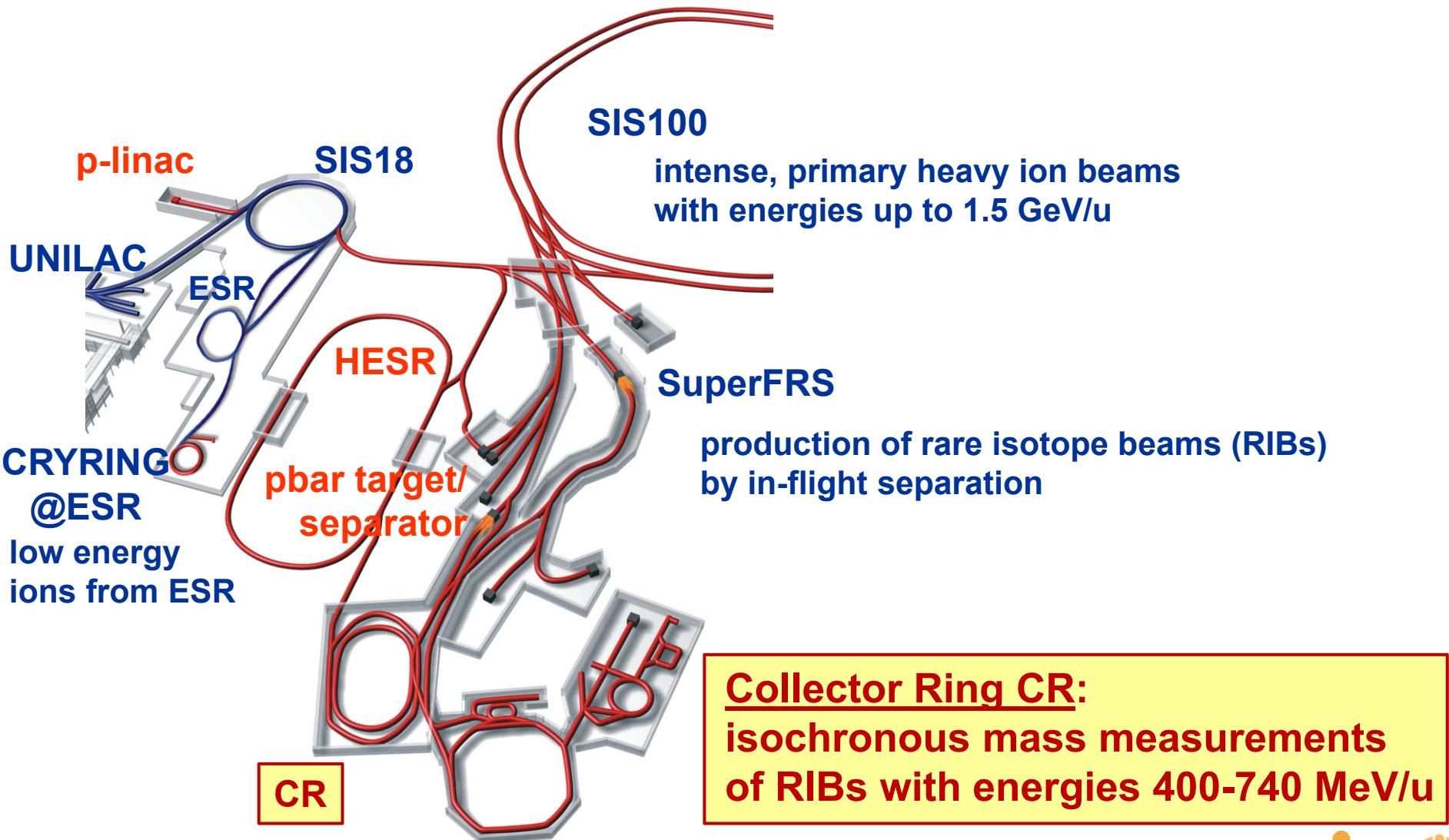
$$\Rightarrow \Delta f/f = 1/\gamma_t^2 \times \Delta m/m = 9.2 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$f - f_{Lo} \text{ (kHz)}$$

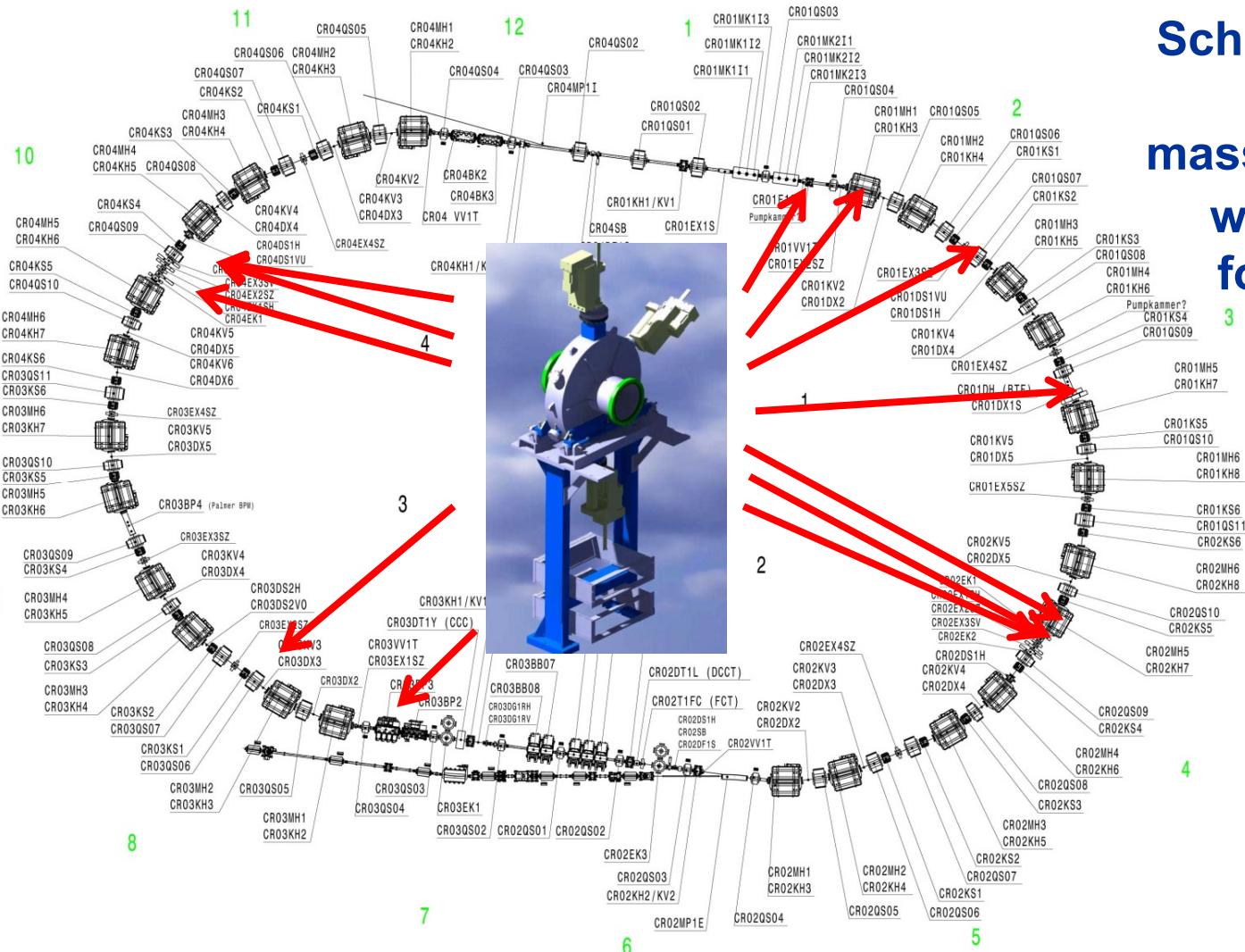
$$(f_{Lo} = 245924.5 \text{ kHz})$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta f = 2.3 \text{ kHz}$$

# FAIR - Modularized Start Version (MSV)



# Schottky Resonators in the Collector Ring of FAIR

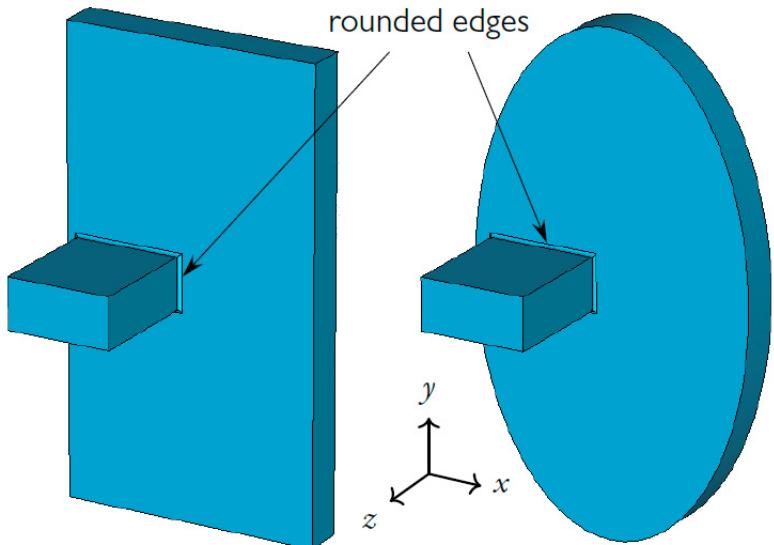


# Schottky resonators for isochronous mass measurements

## will also be useful for diagnostics of antiprotons with high sensitivity

# Position Sensitive Schottky Resonator

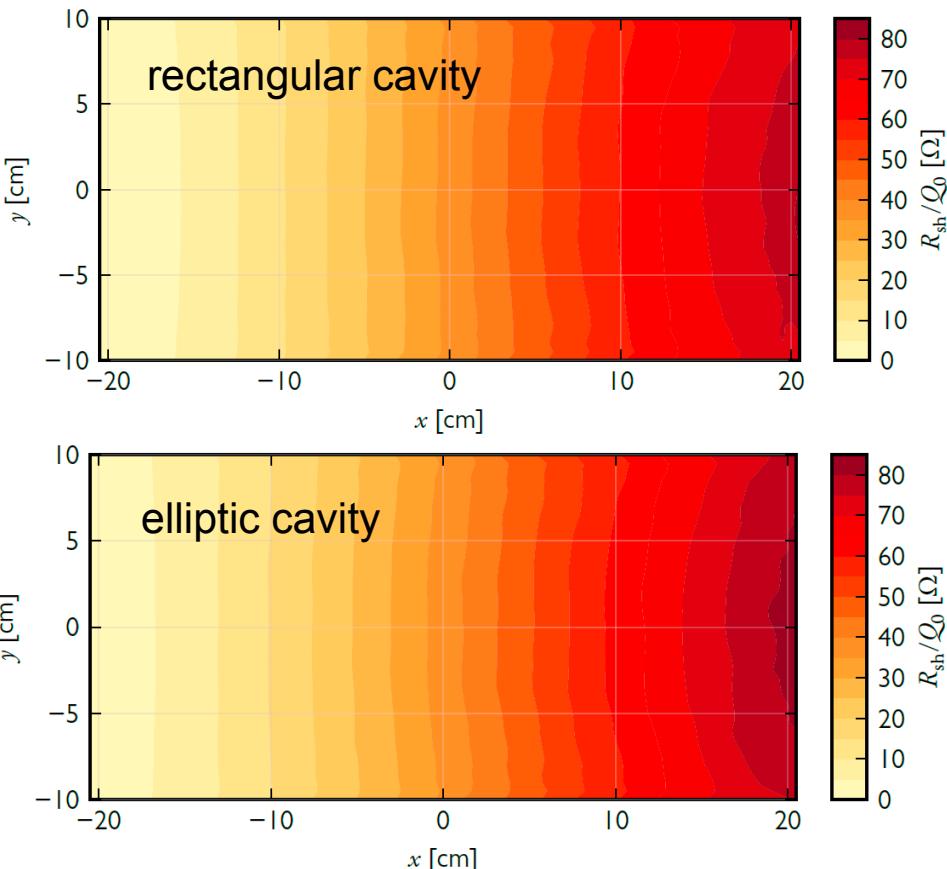
beam pipe offset from cavity center



$$\frac{\Delta f}{f} = -\frac{\Delta T}{T} = \frac{1}{\gamma_t^2} \frac{\Delta(m/q)}{m/q} - \left(1 - \frac{\gamma^2}{\gamma_t^2}\right) \frac{\Delta v}{v}$$

horizontal position in dispersive section  
is related to particle velocity (momentum)  
⇒ **correction for deviations**  $\gamma = \gamma_t + \delta\gamma$   
by measurement of  $\delta p$  or  $\delta v$   
(normalization to normal cavity signal)

position dependent shunt impedance  
⇒ Schottky noise signal power  $P(x)$



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**thank you  
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