

Measurement of the inelastic neutron scattering cross section of ^{56}Fe

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Data needs for fast reactors and ADS

Table 32. Summary of Highest Priority Target Accuracies for Fast Reactors

		Energy Range	Current Accuracy (%)	Target Accuracy (%)
U238	σ_{inel}	6.07 \div 0.498 MeV	10 \div 20	2 \div 3
	σ_{capt}	24.8 \div 2.04 keV	3 \div 9	1.5 \div 2
Pu241	σ_{fiss}	1.35MeV \div 454 eV	8 \div 20	2 \div 3 (SFR,GFR, LFR) 5 \div 8 (ABTR, EFR)
Pu239	σ_{capt}	498 \div 2.04 keV	7 \div 15	4 \div 7
Pu240	σ_{fiss}	1.35 \div 0.498 MeV	6	1.5 \div 2
	ν	1.35 \div 0.498 MeV	4	1 \div 3
Pu242	σ_{fiss}	2.23 \div 0.498 MeV	19 \div 21	3 \div 5
Pu238	σ_{fiss}	1.35 \div 0.183 MeV	17	3 \div 5
Am242m	σ_{fiss}	1.35MeV \div 67.4keV	17	3 \div 4
Am241	σ_{fiss}	6.07 \div 2.23 MeV	12	3
Cm244	σ_{fiss}	1.35 \div 0.498 MeV	50	5
Cm245	σ_{fiss}	183 \div 67.4 keV	47	7
Fe56	σ_{inel}	2.23 \div 0.498 MeV	16 \div 25	3 \div 6
Na23	σ_{inel}	1.35 \div 0.498 MeV	28	4 \div 10
Pb206	σ_{inel}	2.23 \div 1.35 MeV	14	3
Pb207	σ_{inel}	1.35 \div 0.498 MeV	11	3
Si28	σ_{inel}	6.07 \div 1.35 MeV	14 \div 50	3 \div 6
	σ_{capt}	19.6 \div 6.07 MeV	53	6

→ fast neutron spectrum

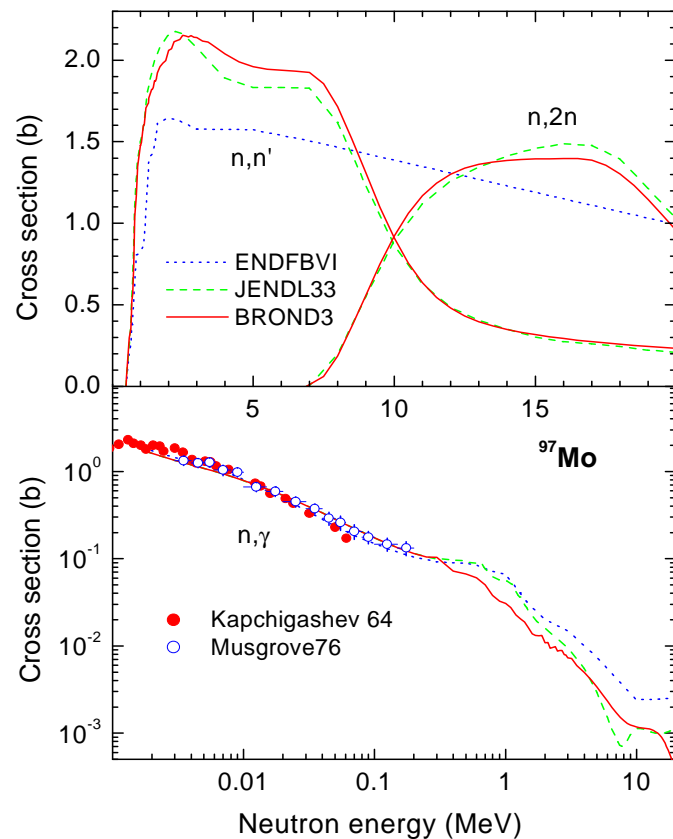
→ U,Pu + minor actinides structural & coolant materials

- neutron induced fission
- neutron capture
- neutron inelastic scattering

→ $^{56}\text{Fe} (n,n'\gamma) ^{56}\text{Fe}$

<http://www.nea.fr/html/science/wpec/volume26/volume26.pdf>

nELBE research program:



A. V. Ignatyuk, priv.com. 2008

- Investigation of fast neutron induced reactions of relevance for nuclear transmutation and the development of Gen IV reactor systems
- Inelastic neutron scattering ($n,n'\gamma$)**
 ^{56}Fe , Mo , Pb , ^{23}Na and total neutron cross sections σ_{tot} (Ta , Au , Al , C , H)
 - Neutron induced fission cross sections of minor actinides (radioactive targets)**

Collaboration with n_TOF at CERN

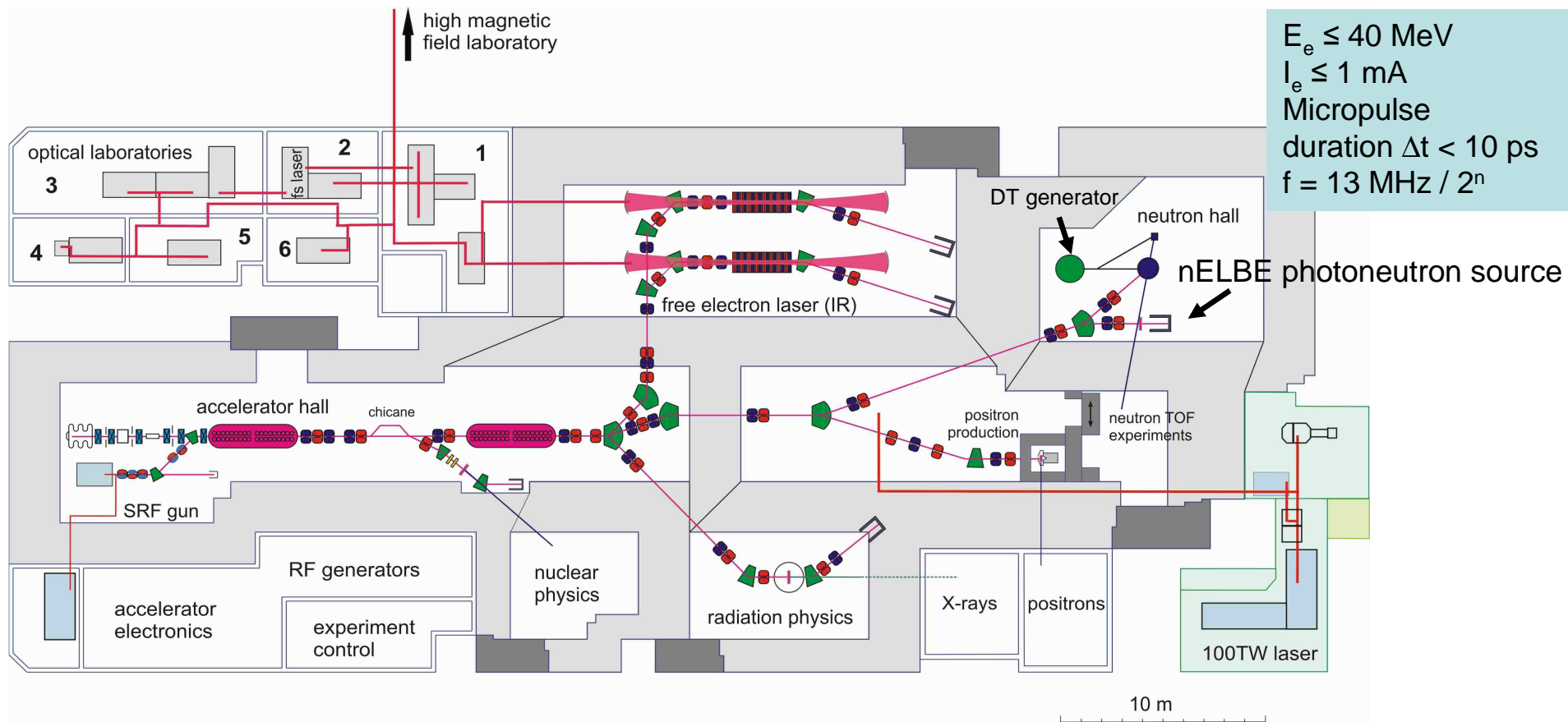
Joint research project „Nuclear physics studies of relevance for transmutation...“ (German Federal Ministry for Science and Technology funded , 02NUK13)

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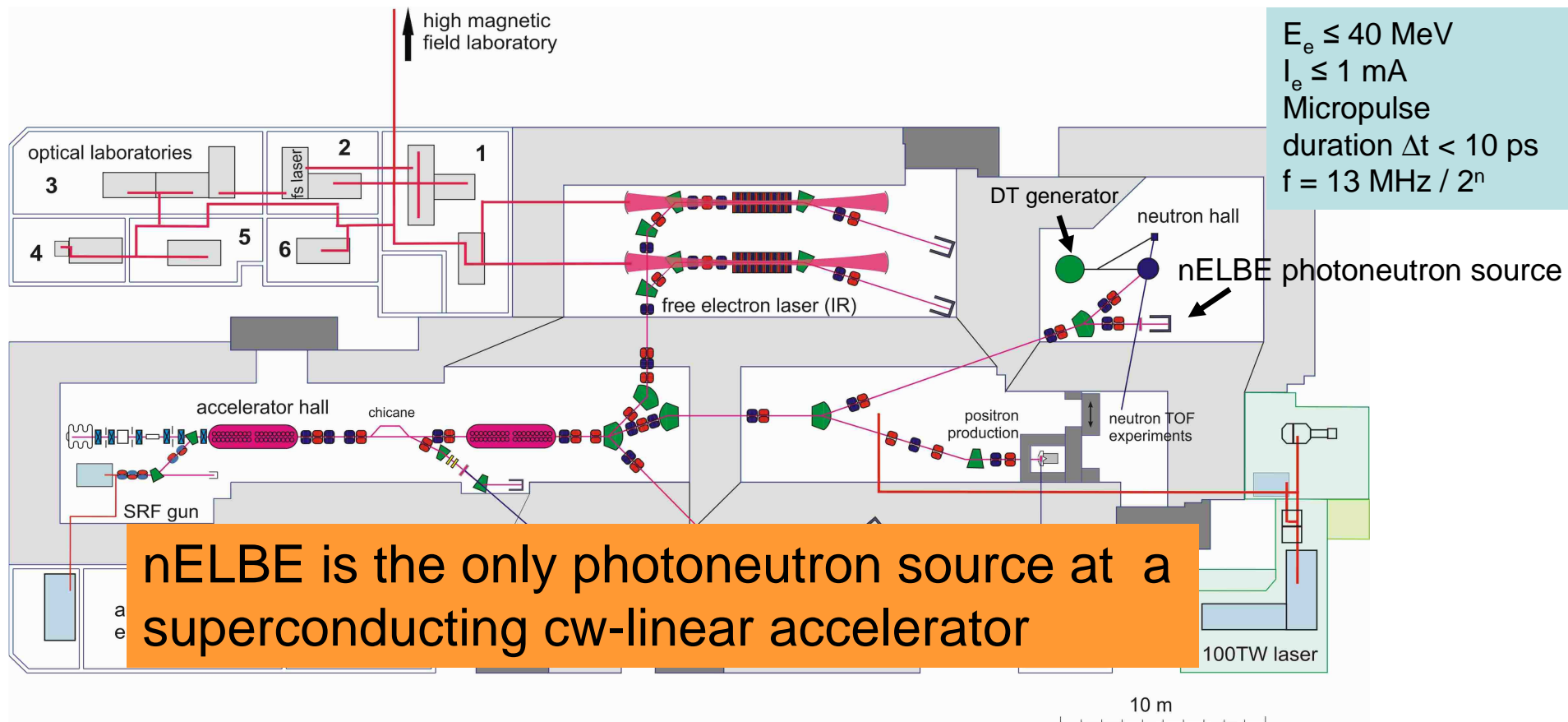
$E_e \leq 40 \text{ MeV}$
 $I_e \leq 1 \text{ mA}$
 Micropulse duration $\Delta t < 10 \text{ ps}$
 $f = 13 \text{ MHz} / 2^n$

- 1: Diagnostic station, IR-imaging and biological IR experiment
- 2: Femtosecond laser, THz-spectroscopy, IR pump-probe experiment
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- 4: FTIR, biological IR experiment
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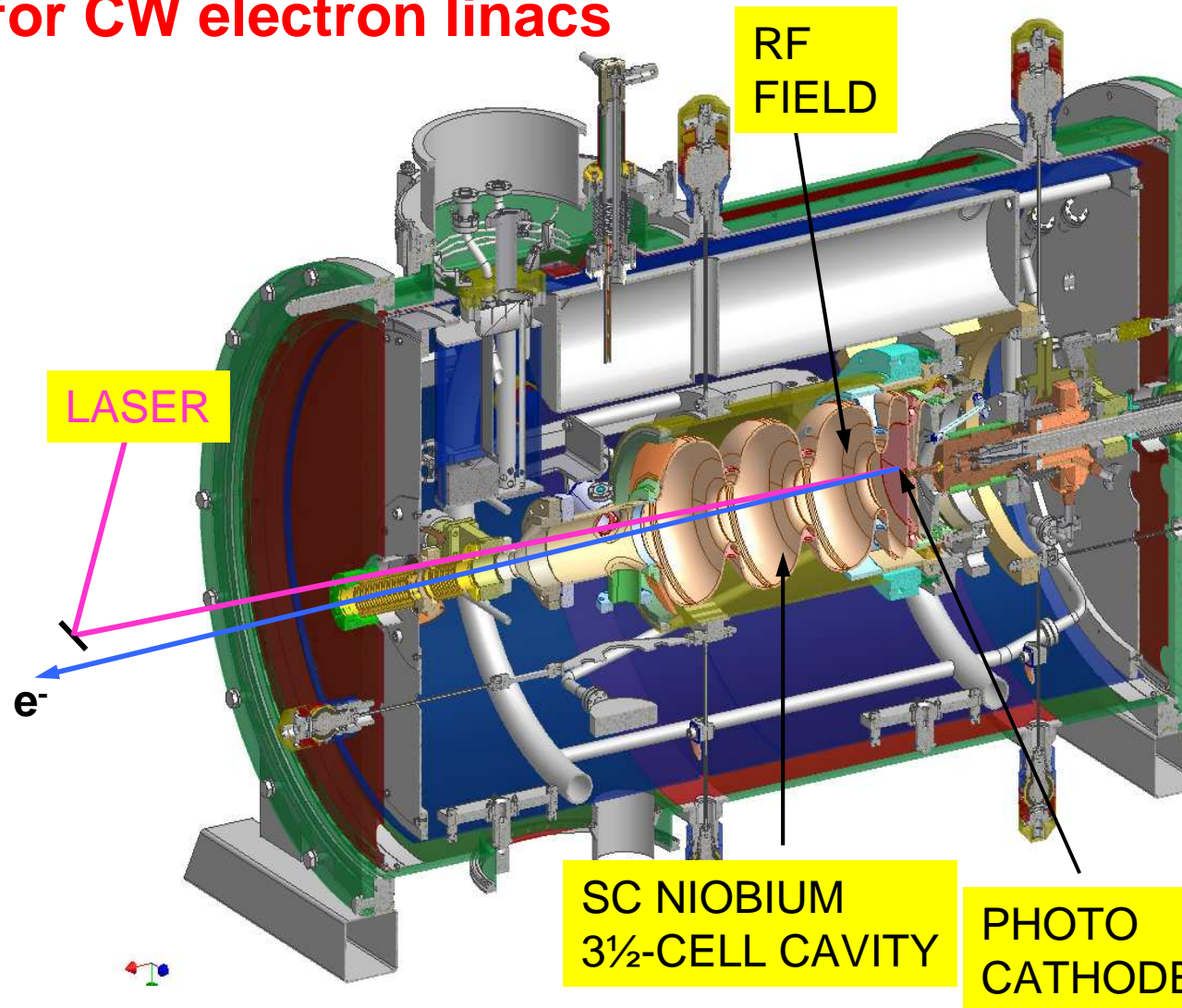


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Generation of high-brightness beams for CW electron linacs



1. direct production of short pulses:
laser & photo cathode

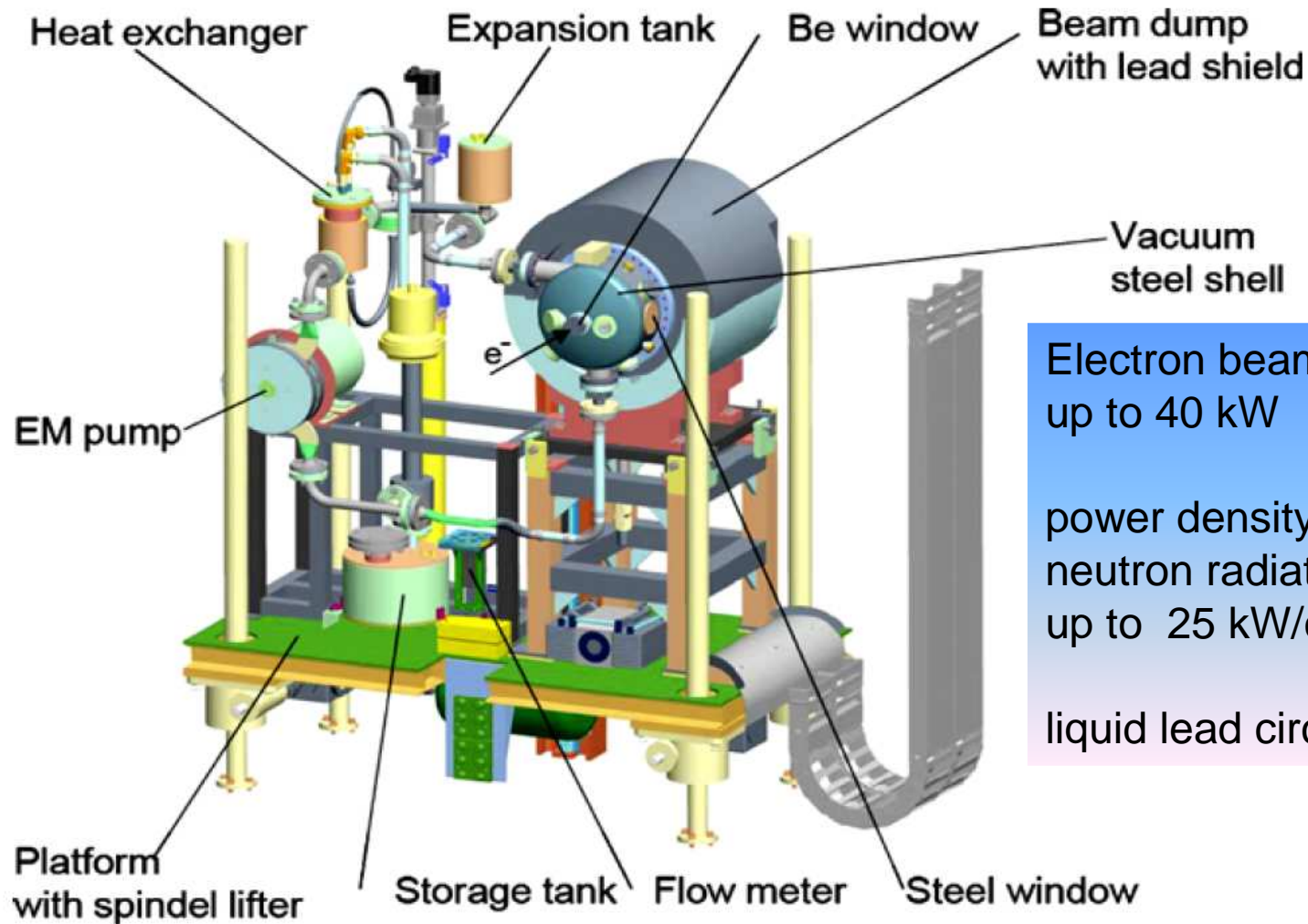
2. high acceleration field at cathode:
radio frequency field

3. CW operation for high average current:
superconducting cavity



**ELBE SRF
PHOTO
INJECTOR**

nELBE Photoneutrontarget



Electron beam power
up to 40 kW

power density in the
neutron radiator
up to 25 kW/cm^3

liquid lead circuit for heat transport

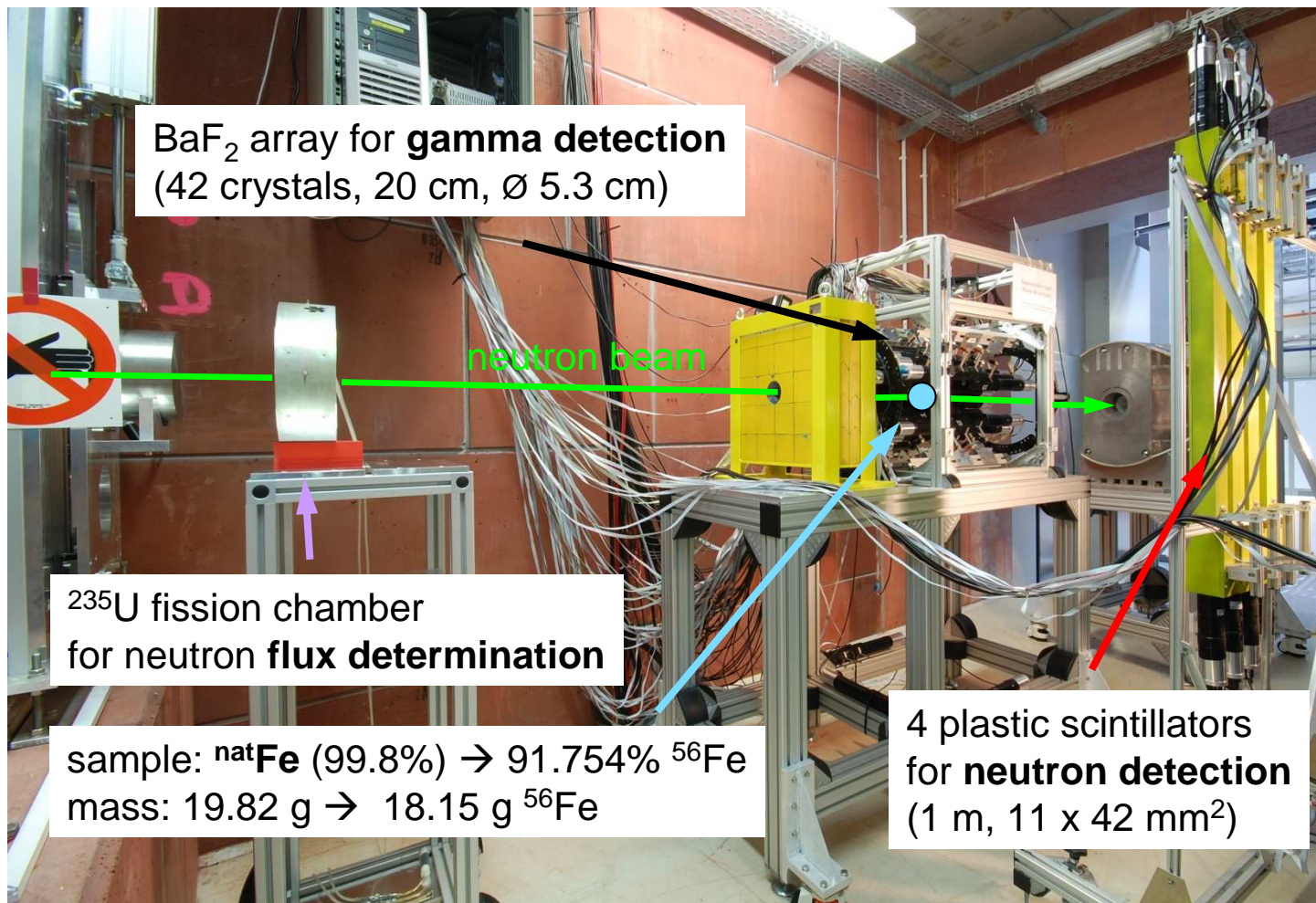
nELBE – photoneutron source



ELBE
electron beam

nELBE
neutron beam

nELBE – inelastic neutron scattering setup



BaF₂ array for **gamma detection**
(42 crystals, 20 cm, Ø 5.3 cm)

neutron beam

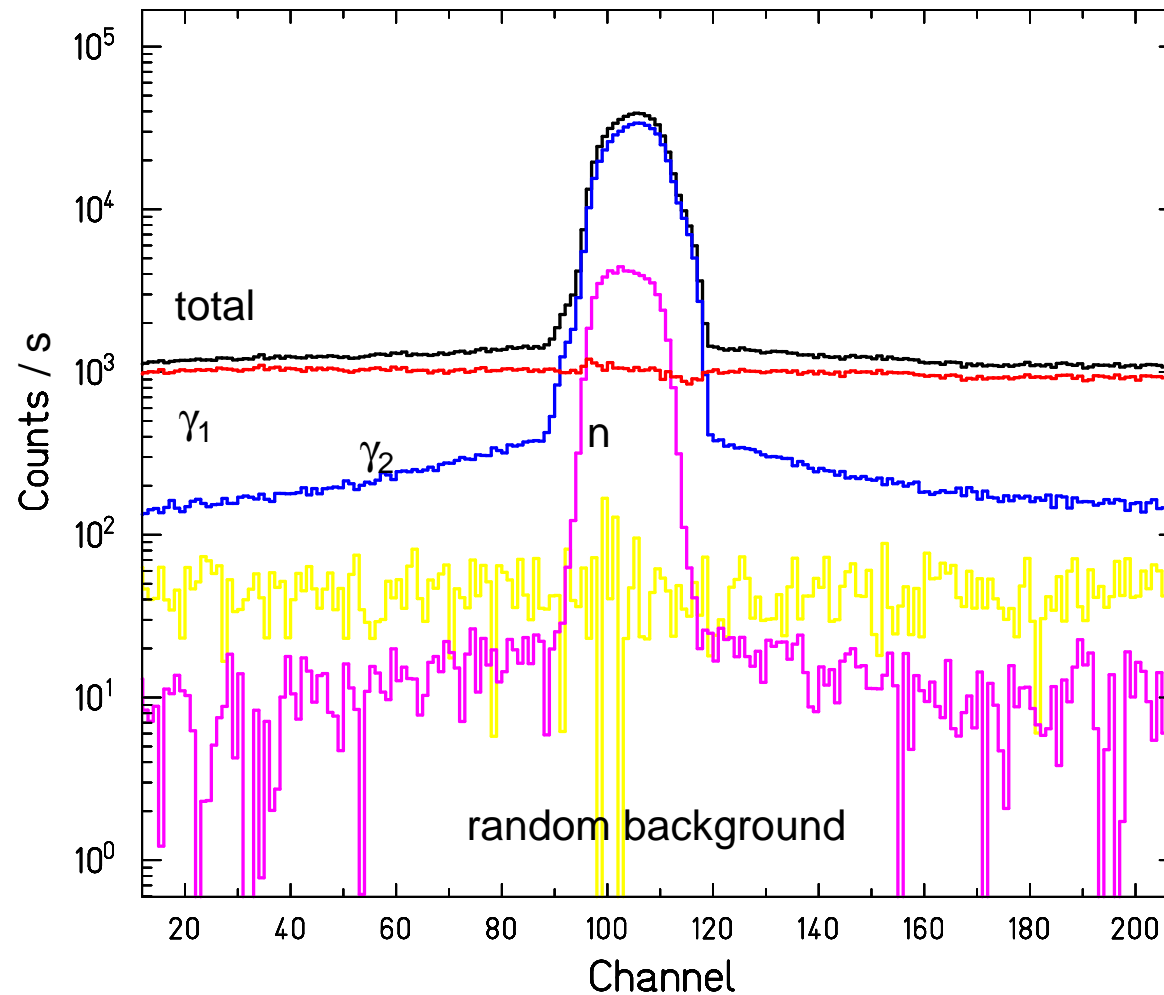
^{235}U fission chamber
for neutron **flux determination**

sample: $^{\text{nat}}\text{Fe}$ (99.8%) \rightarrow 91.754% ^{56}Fe
mass: 19.82 g \rightarrow 18.15 g ^{56}Fe

4 plastic scintillators
for **neutron detection**
(1 m, 11 x 42 mm²)

flight paths:
source – sample:
600 cm
sample – BaF₂ scint.:
30 cm
sample – plastic scint.:
100 cm

Beam profile



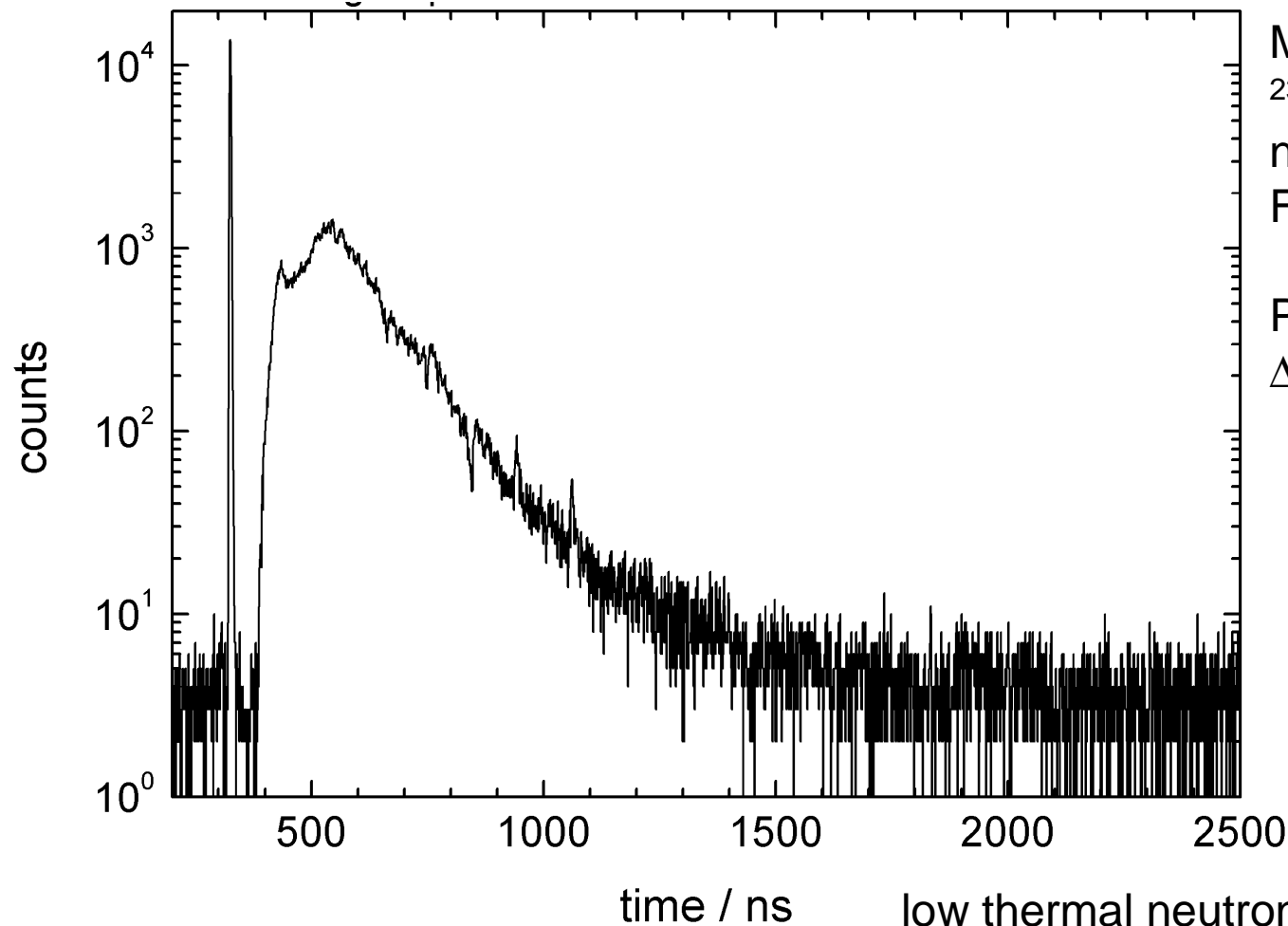
Plastic scintillator stepped through the beam both vertical and horizontal.

ToF measurement → separation of different components in the spectrum

Detector- diameter 11 mm

N-beam diameter ca. 6 cm

Neutron time of flight spectrum with fission chamber



Measured with PTB
²³⁵U fission chamber
 $n_t = 5 \text{ mg/cm}^2$
 Fission rate: 6 s^{-1}

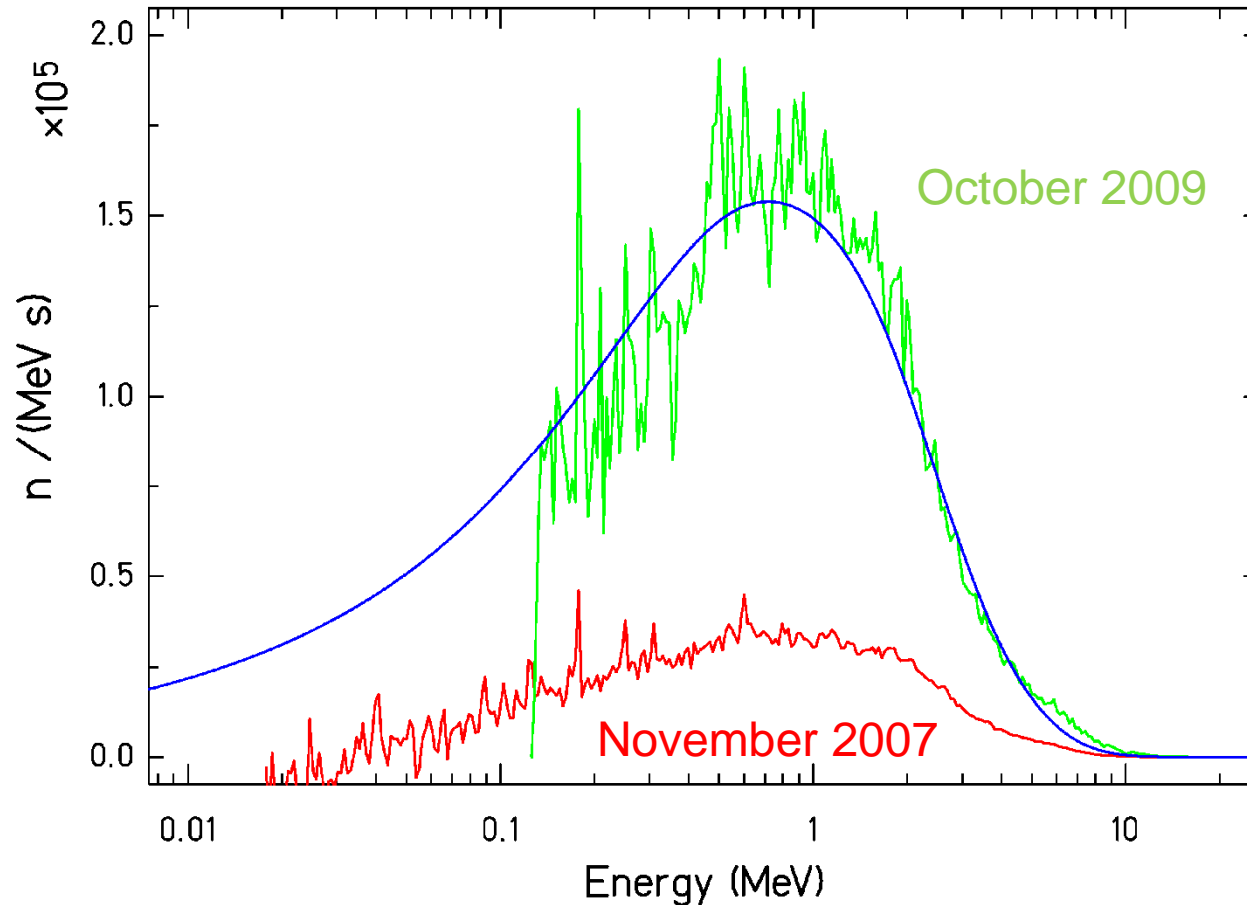
Photofission:
 $\Delta t(\text{FWHM}) = 4 \text{ ns}$

low thermal neutron background

$$J_{\text{Cd}}/J < 8 \cdot 10^{-5}$$

from comparison with/without Cd absorber

nELBE neutron spectrum

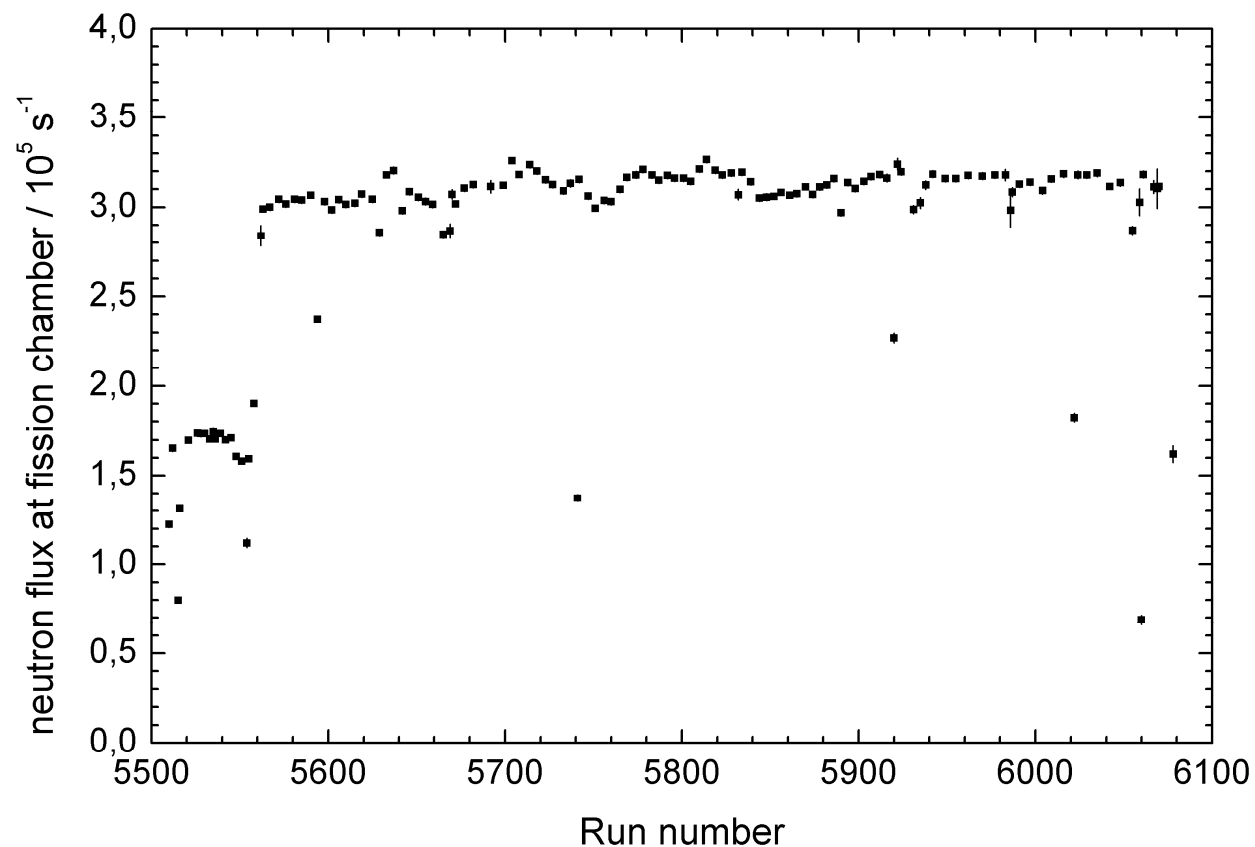


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 neutron source strength:
 $1.4 \cdot 10^{11}$ n/s
 neutrons on target:
 $4.5 \cdot 10^4$ n/(cm² s)

$\langle I_{e^-} \rangle = 19 \mu\text{A}$
 Max. thermionic injector
 at 200 kHz rate

Fission chamber as primary beam monitor (from PTB, Braunschweig)
 Spectrum is very similar to fast neutron spectrum e.g. $^{235}\text{U}(n,f)$ (ENDF-VII)

Neutron flux with fission chamber

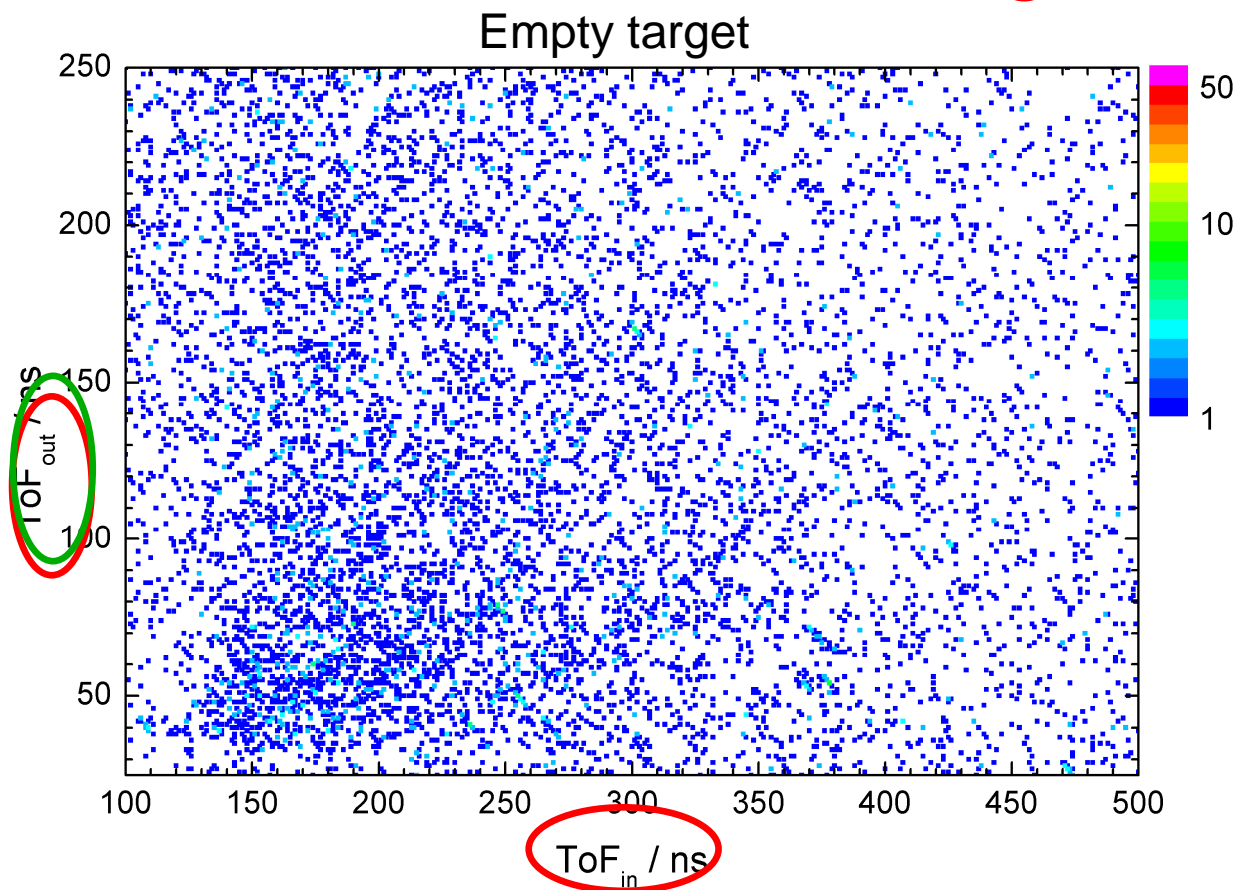
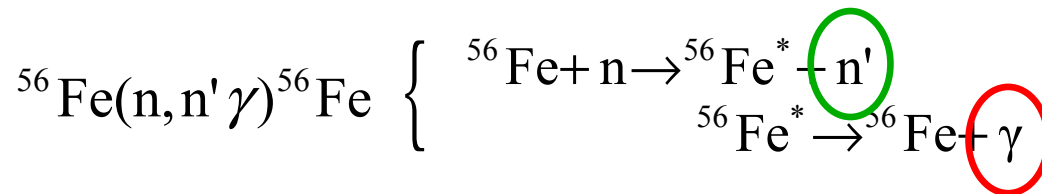


$\langle I_{e^-} \rangle = 13 \mu\text{A}$

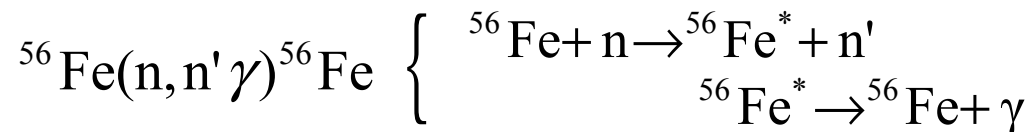
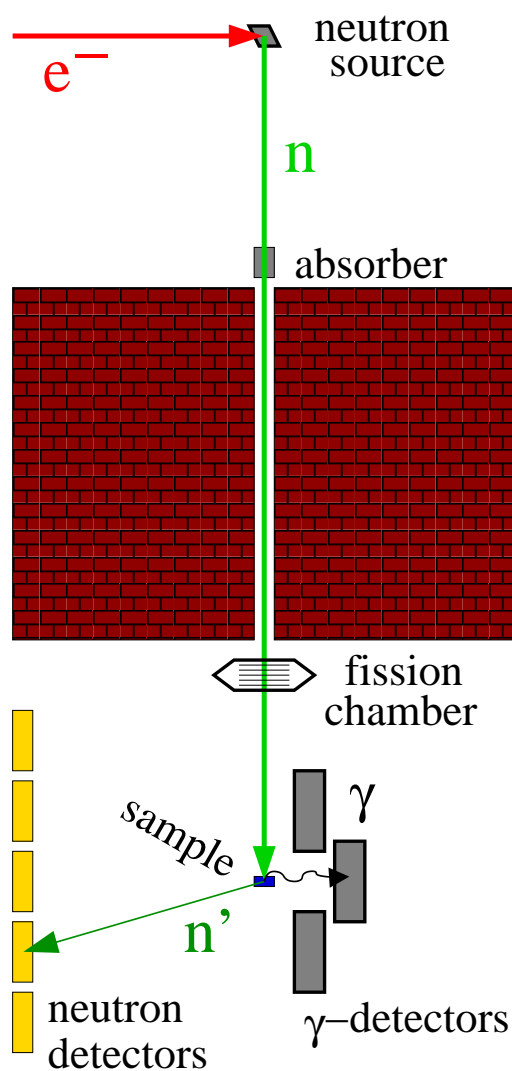
Beam line
Transmission
Optimized
at 200 kHz rate

Beam time:
 ≈ 250 hours
May 6-16

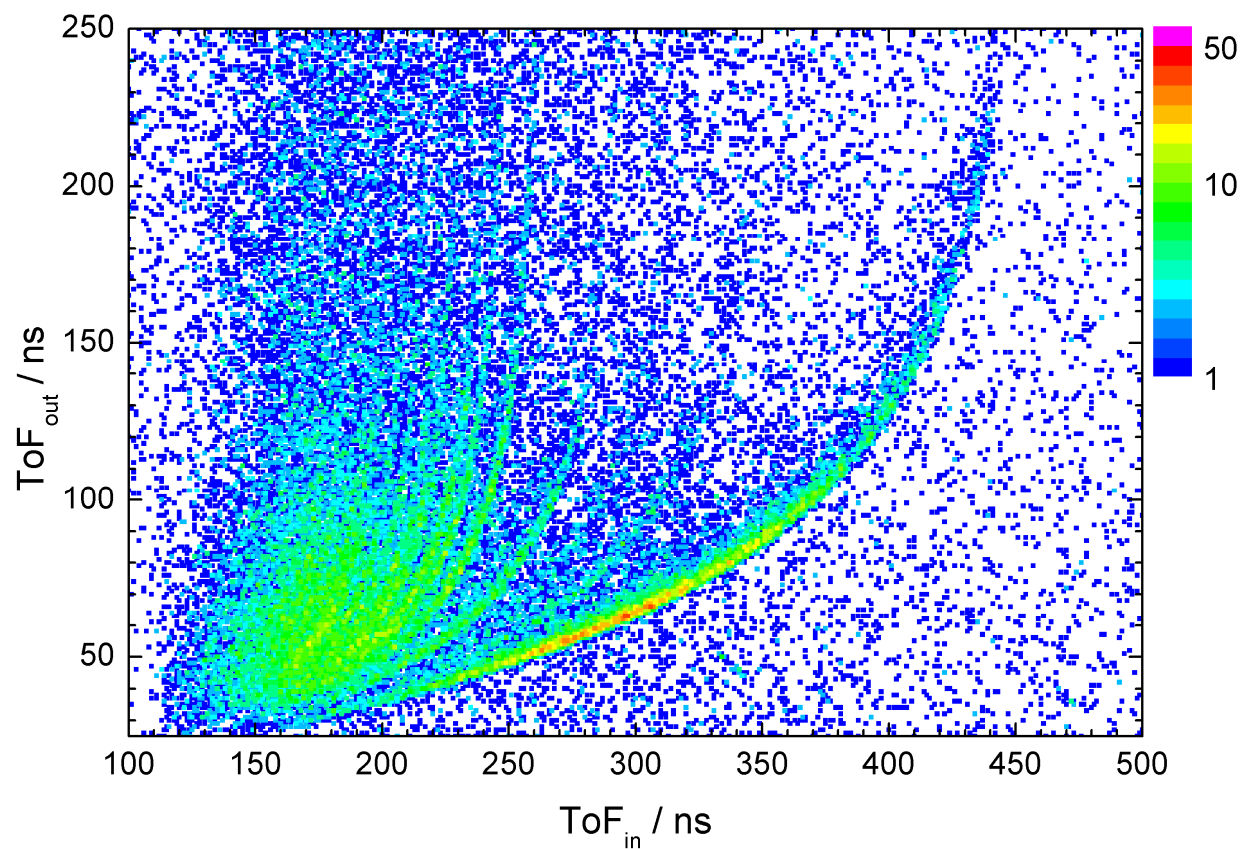
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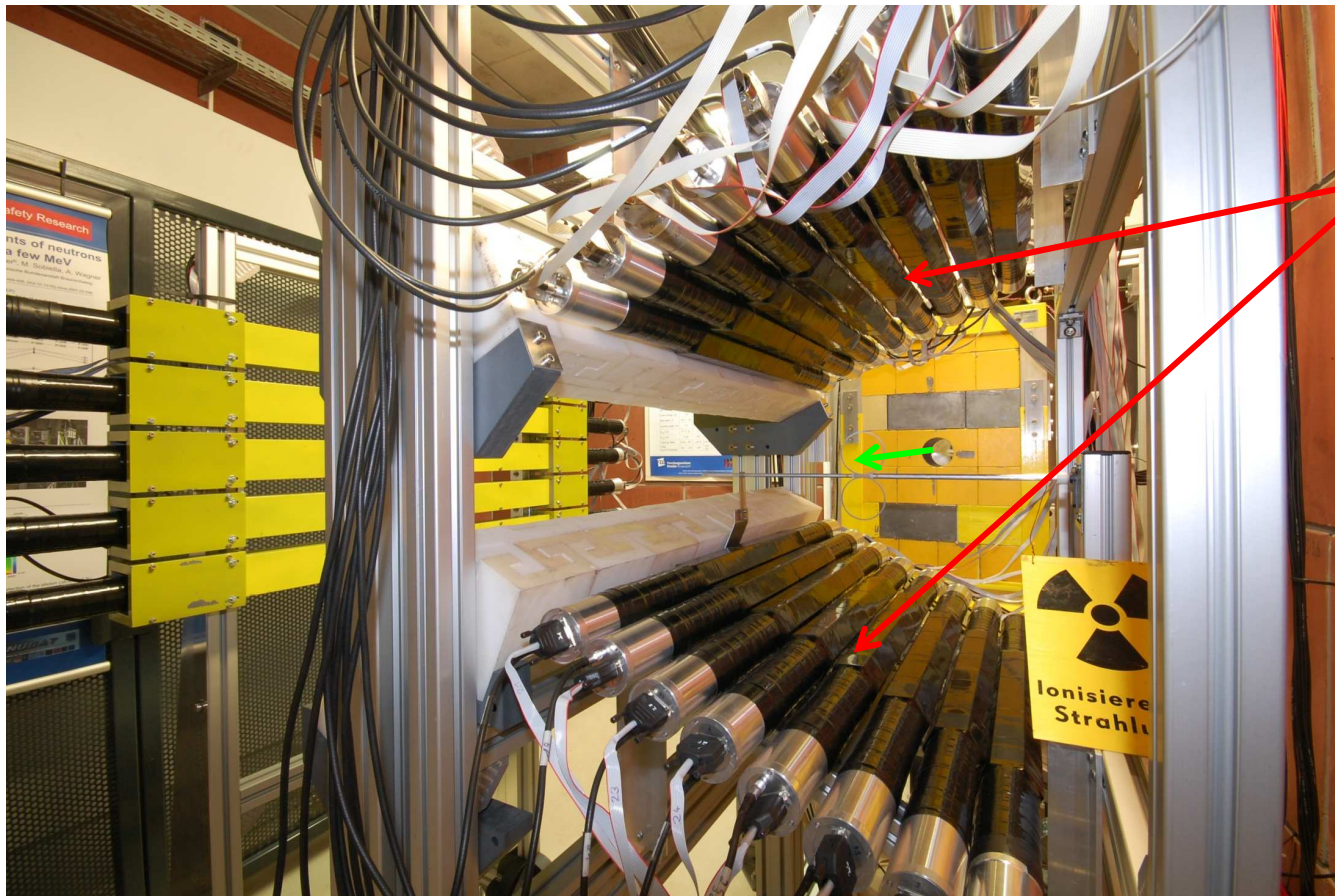
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with ${}^{\text{nat}}\text{Fe}$ target



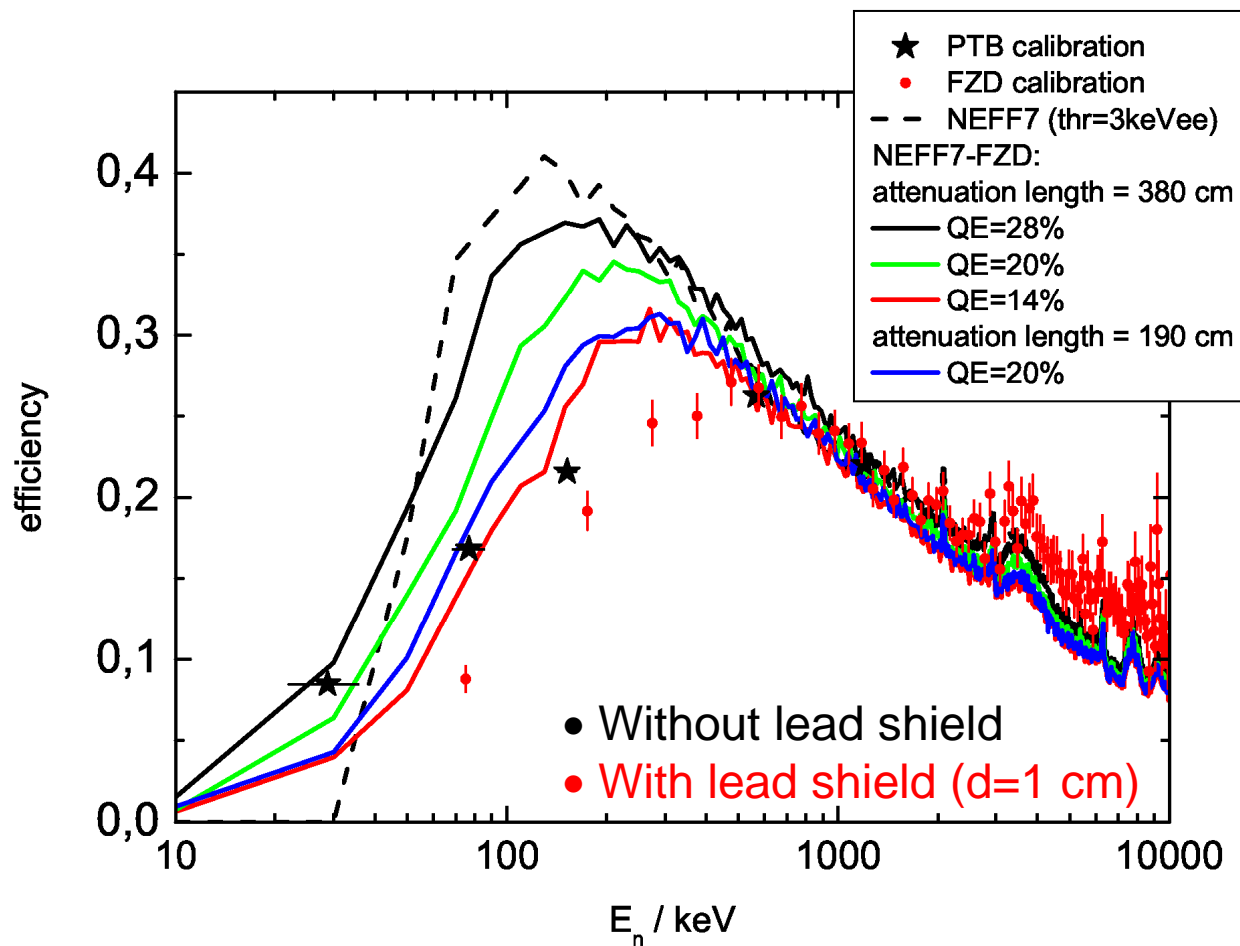
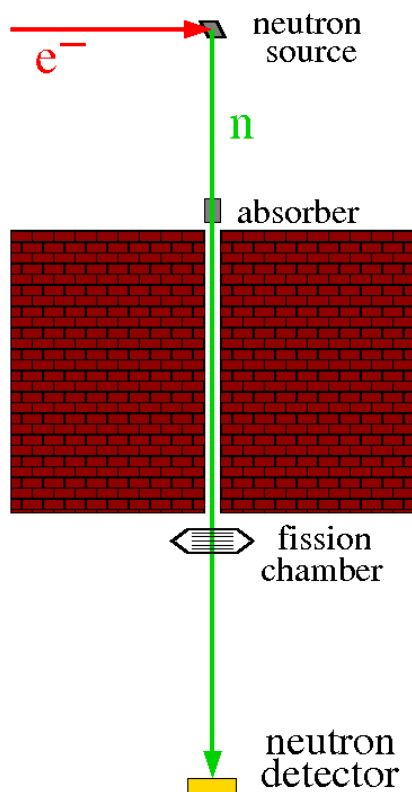
New BaF₂ array setup



BaF₂ V-shaped array
Double sided read-out

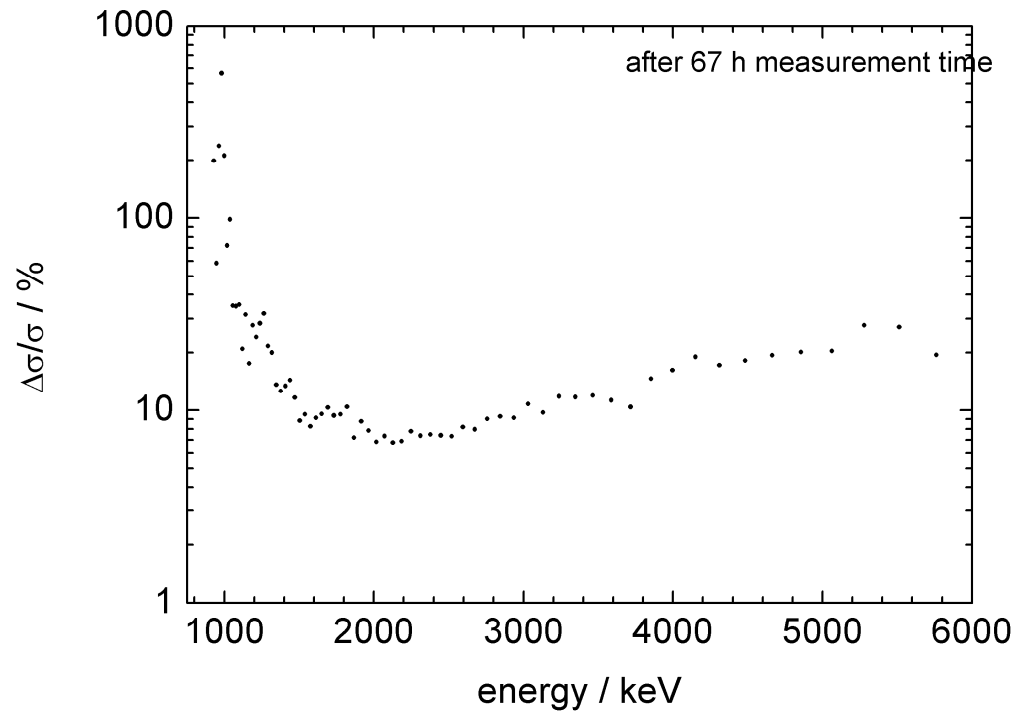
borated PE shield
towards
plastic scintillators

Plastic scintillators: neutron detection efficiency



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Experimental Uncertainties



Experimental uncertainties:

Counting statistics ($E_n = 2$ MeV): $\approx 5\%$
incl. empty target subtraction

Neutron primary intensity (FC):

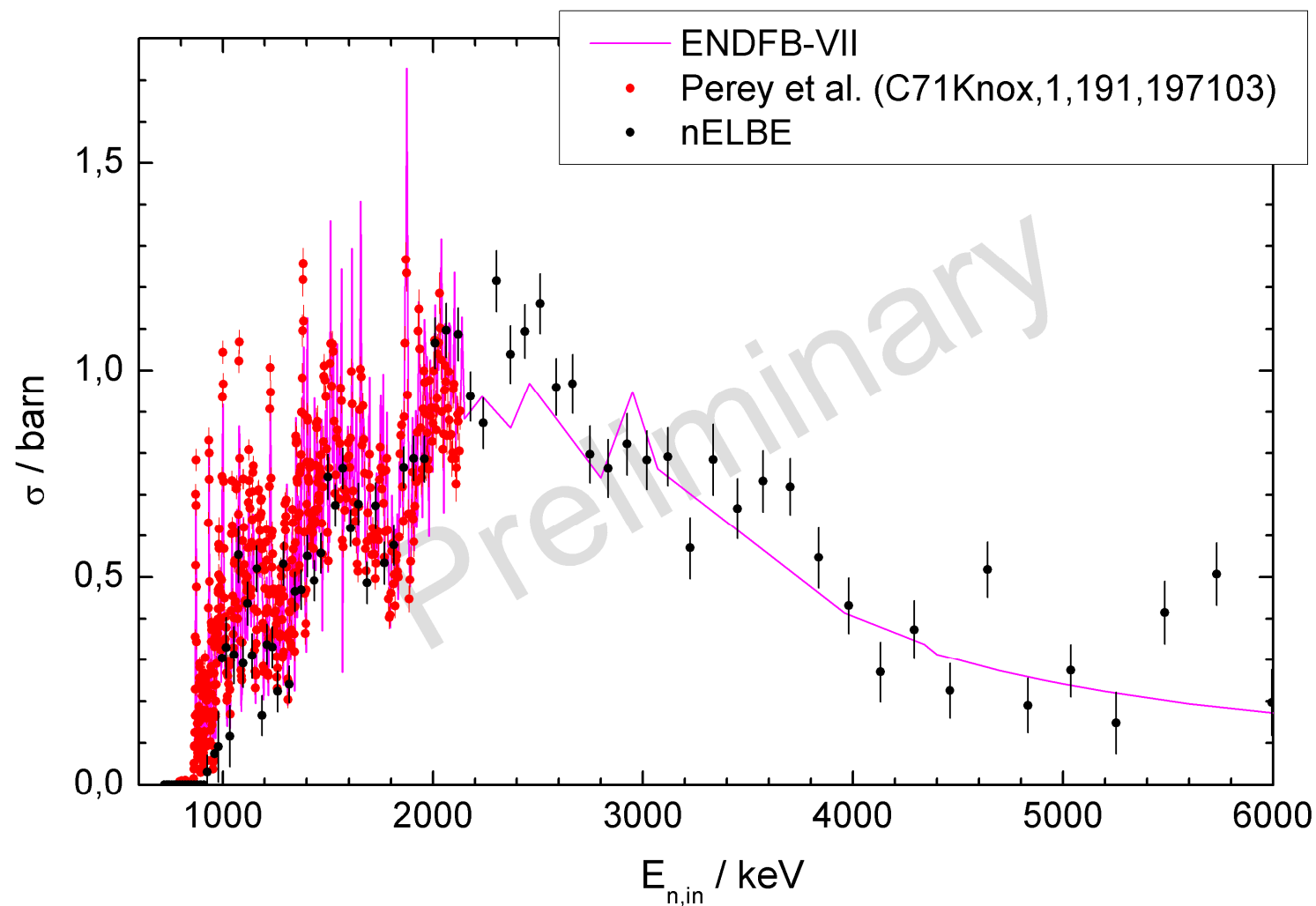
statistics	$\approx 3\%$
efficiency	$\approx 3.8\%$
neutron flux geometry scaling	$\approx 1\%$

Detection efficiency

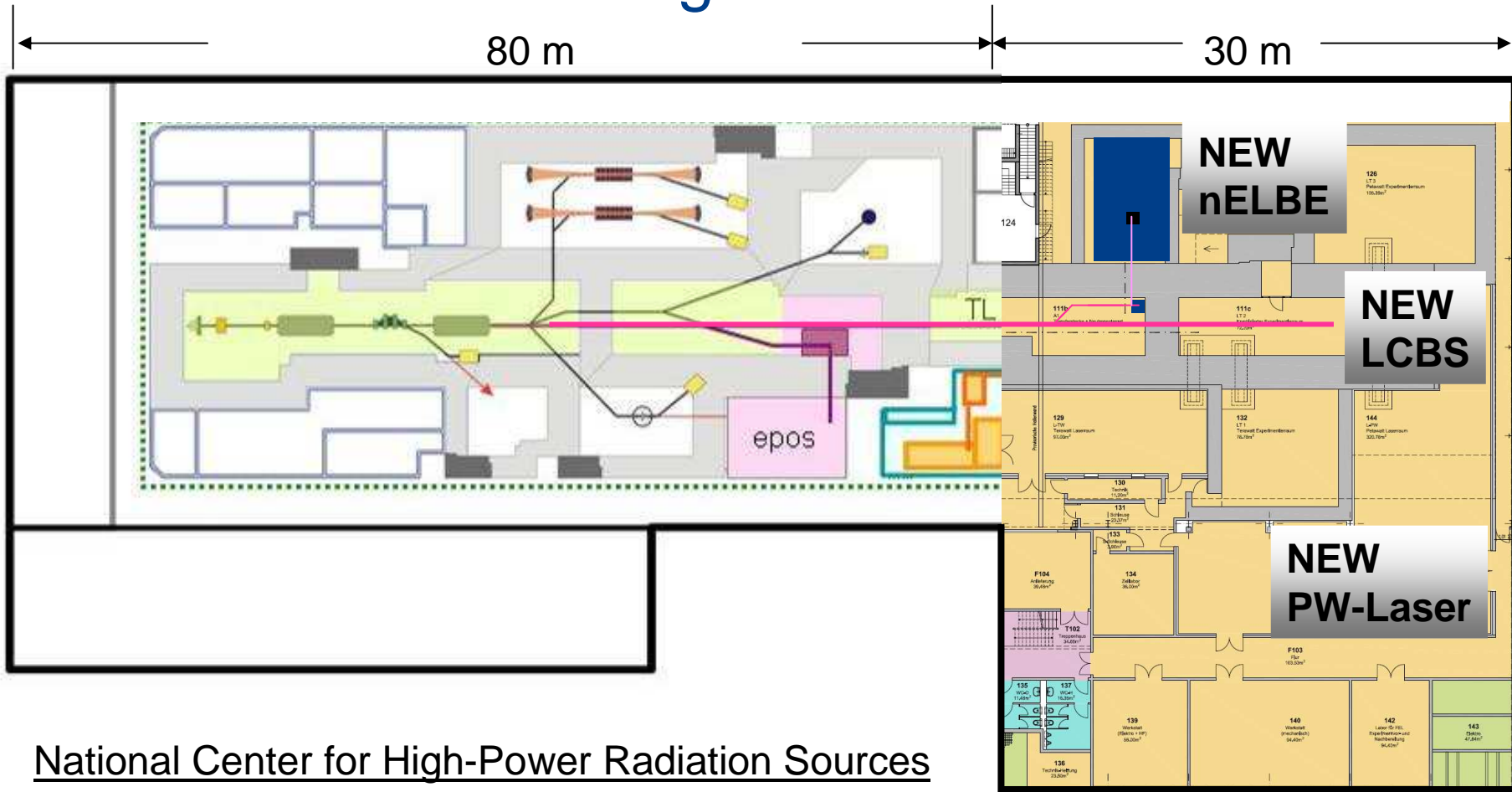
BaF ₂ array	$\approx 1.5\%$
Plastic scintillators	$\approx 3.2\%$

Total: $\approx 8\%$

The $^{56}\text{Fe}(n,n'\gamma)$ cross section for the 1st excited state



National Center for High-Power Radiation sources



National Center for High-Power Radiation Sources

- X-ray source using Laser-Compton-Backscattering
- High-Power Laser (PW) for Ion Acceleration
- New Neutron Time-of-Flight Facility for Transmutation Studies

ground breaking started April 2010

Summary and outlook

- The nELBE time of flight facility is intended to deliver data on fast neutron induced reactions relevant to transmutation of nuclear waste (fast reactors , ADS systems)
- First experiments were performed on inelastic neutron scattering of $^{56}\text{Fe}(n,n'\gamma)$ using a double time of flight setup.
- The new superconducting RF Injector will increase the bunch charge to 1nC and the neutron intensity by more than a factor of 10.
- A new time of flight hall is being built as part of the center of high power radiation sources.

Spare slides
(End of talk was one slide before)

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Transmutationsrelevante kernphysikalische Untersuchungen
 Einsatz moderner technologischer
 langlebiger Aktinid-Methoden



Verbundprojekt zum Kompetenzerhalt in der nuklearen Sicherheits- und Strahlenforschung:

- Produktion und Nutzung schneller Neutronen zur Untersuchung inelastischer Neutronenstreuung und Spaltung minorer Aktinide
- MeV Gamma-Spektroskopie und Entwicklung hochauflösender Detektoren (Compton-Kamera)
- Herstellung und Nutzung dünner Aktiniden Targets
- Veranstaltung von Graduierten-Seminaren:
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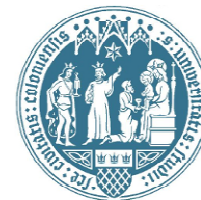
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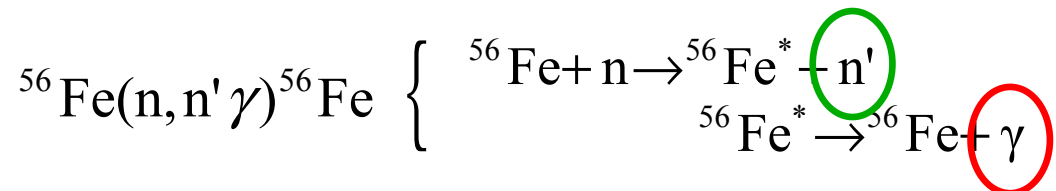
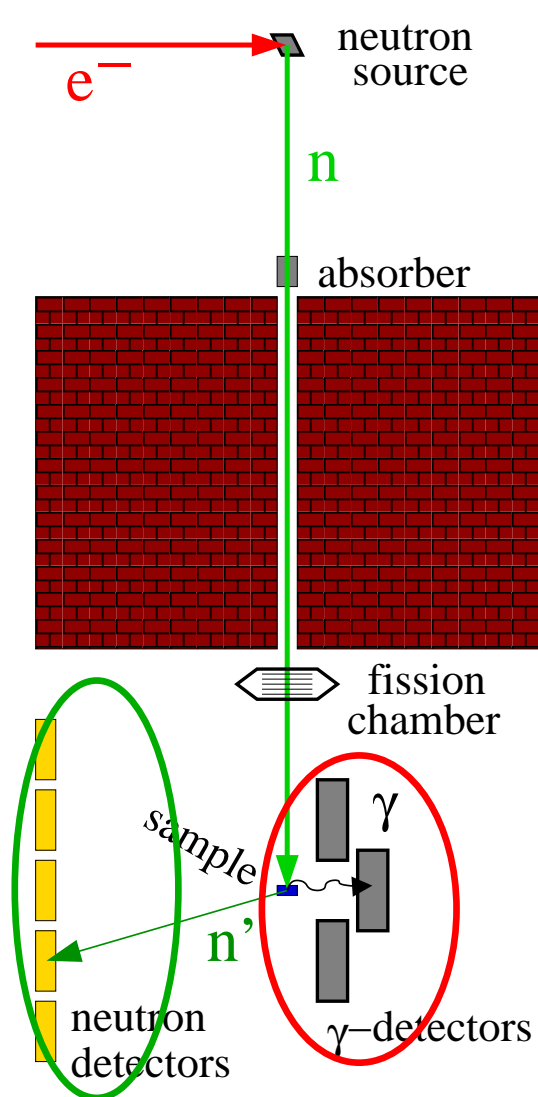
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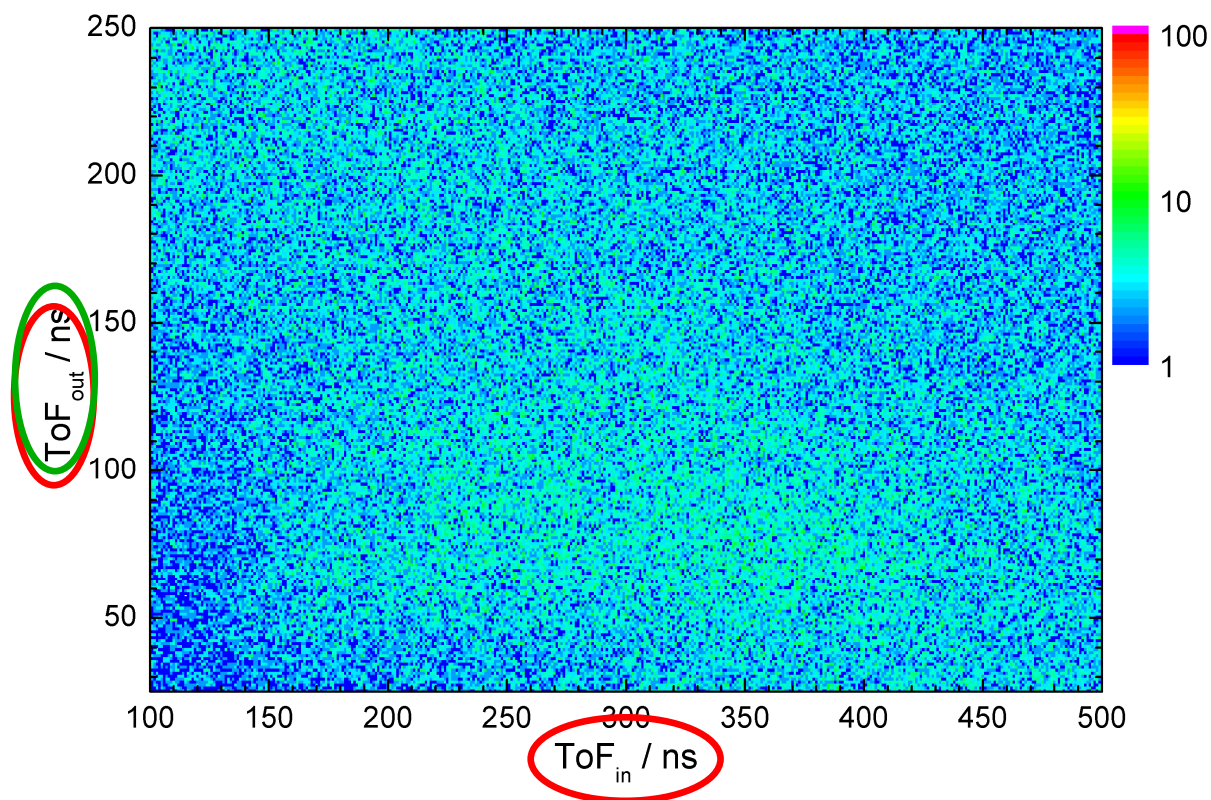
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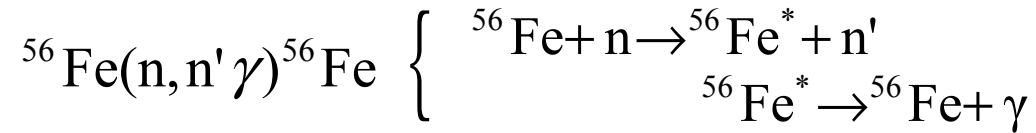
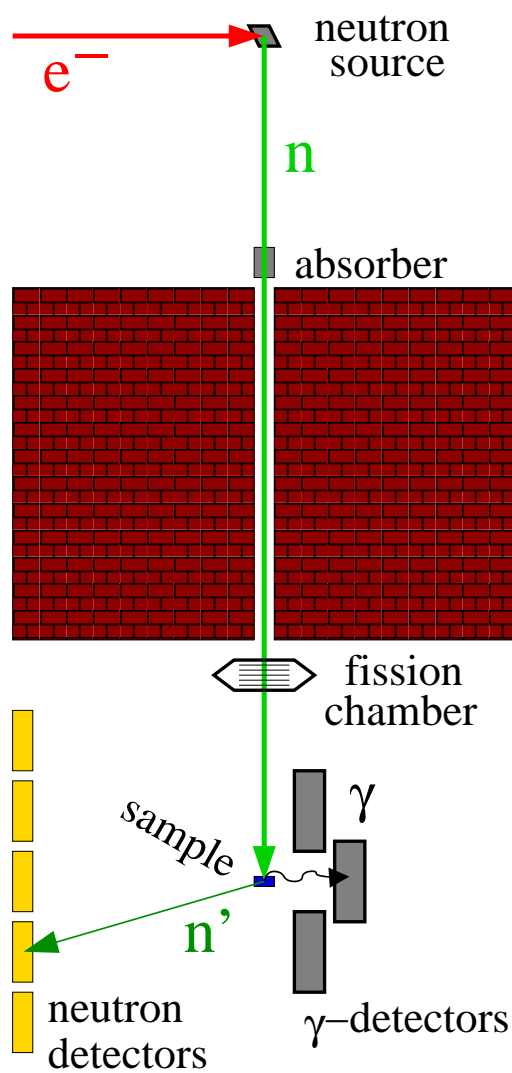
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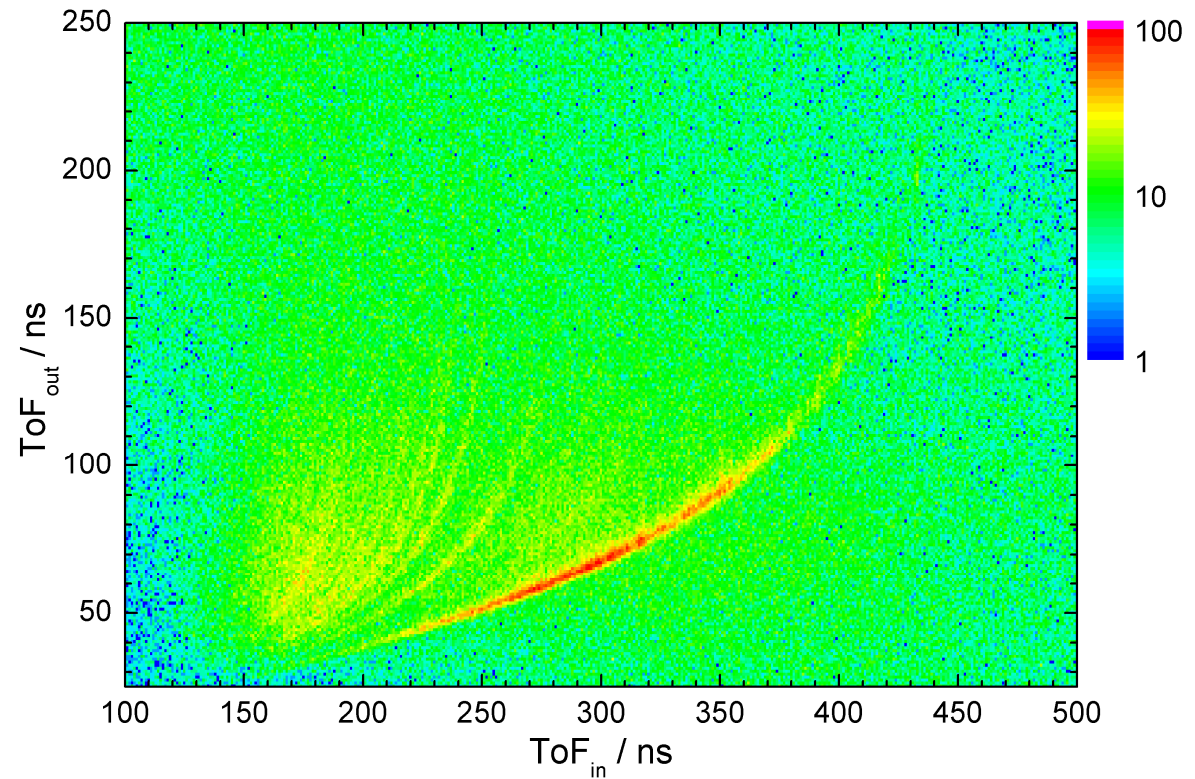
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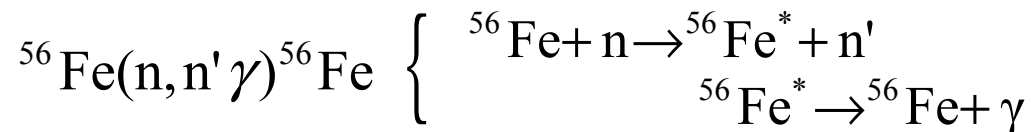
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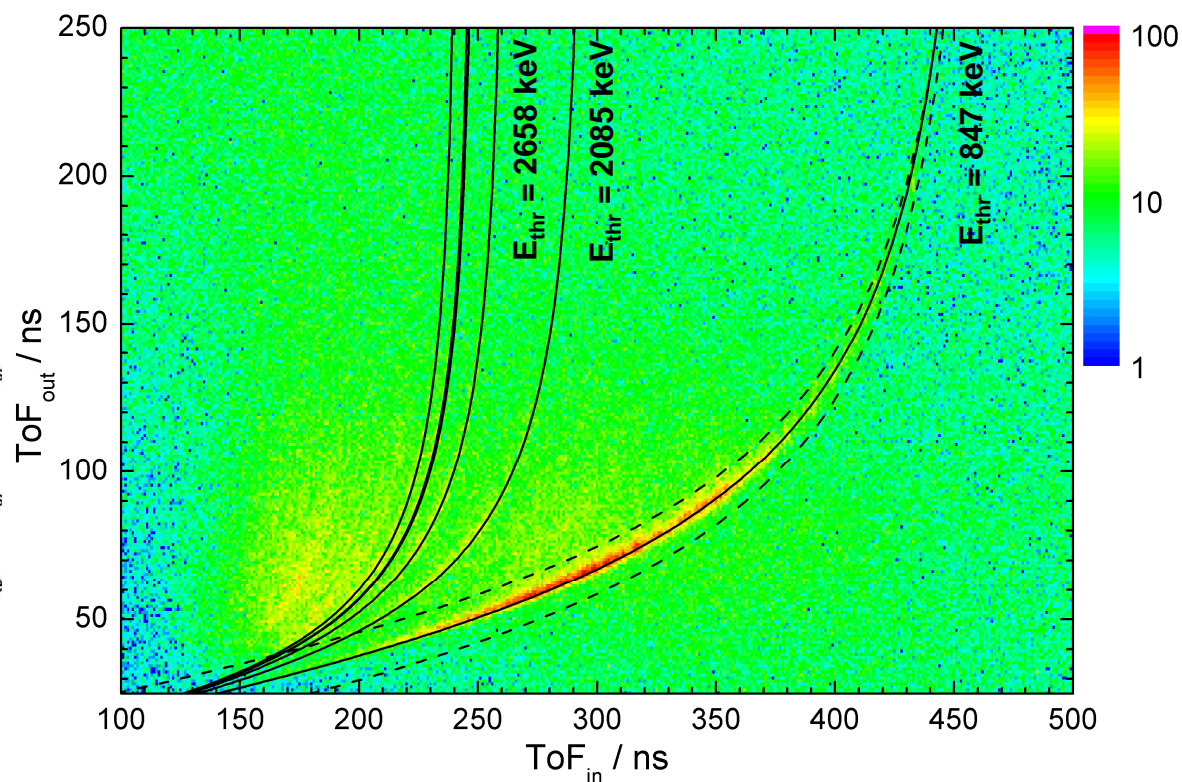
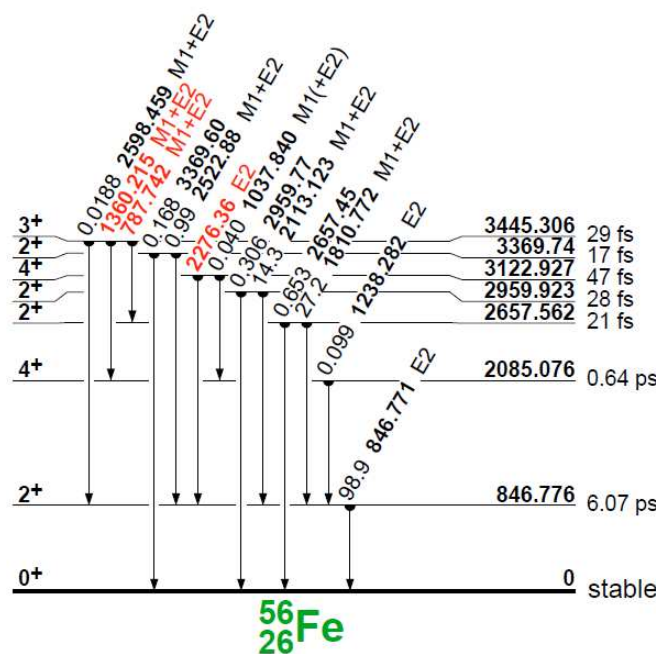
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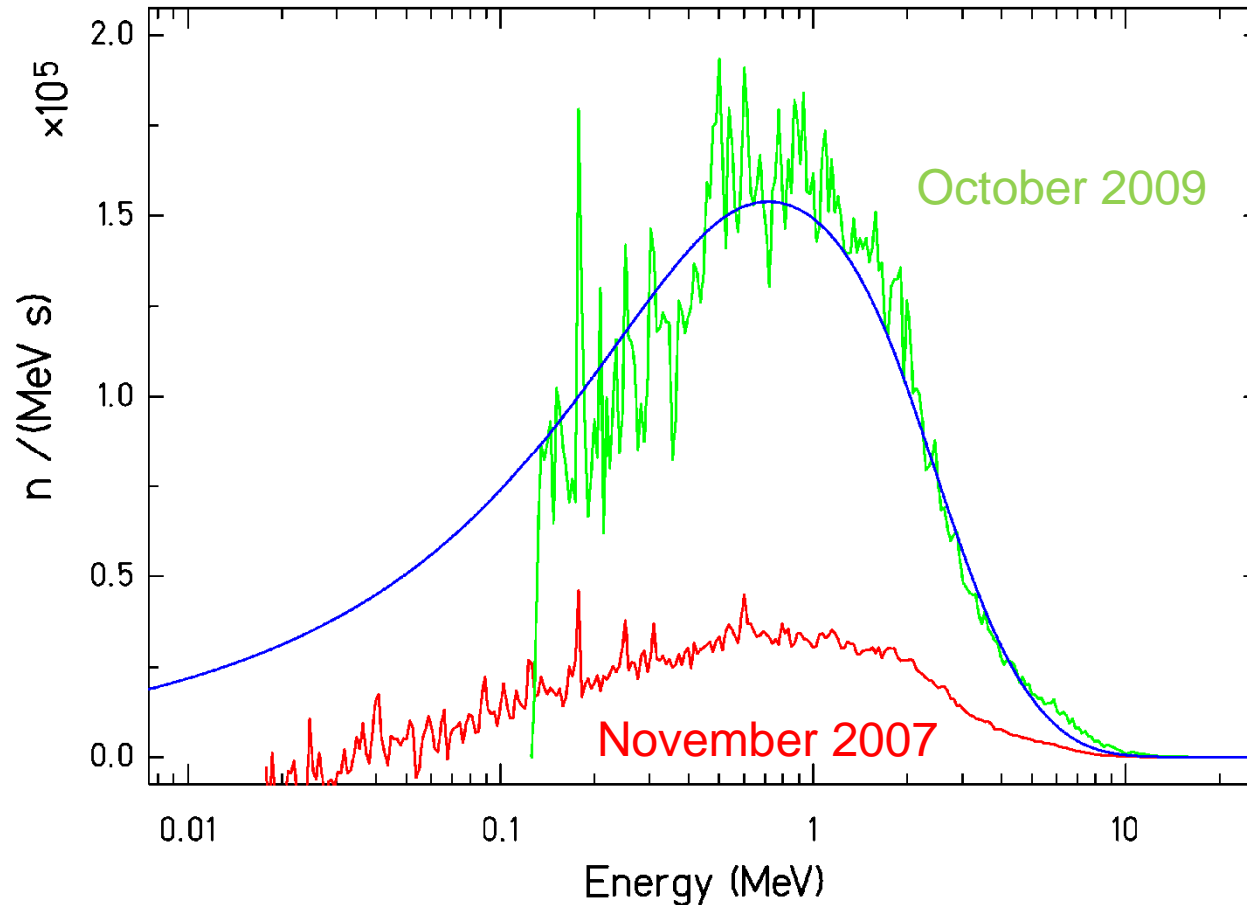
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with sample + kinematics calculation



nELBE neutron spectrum



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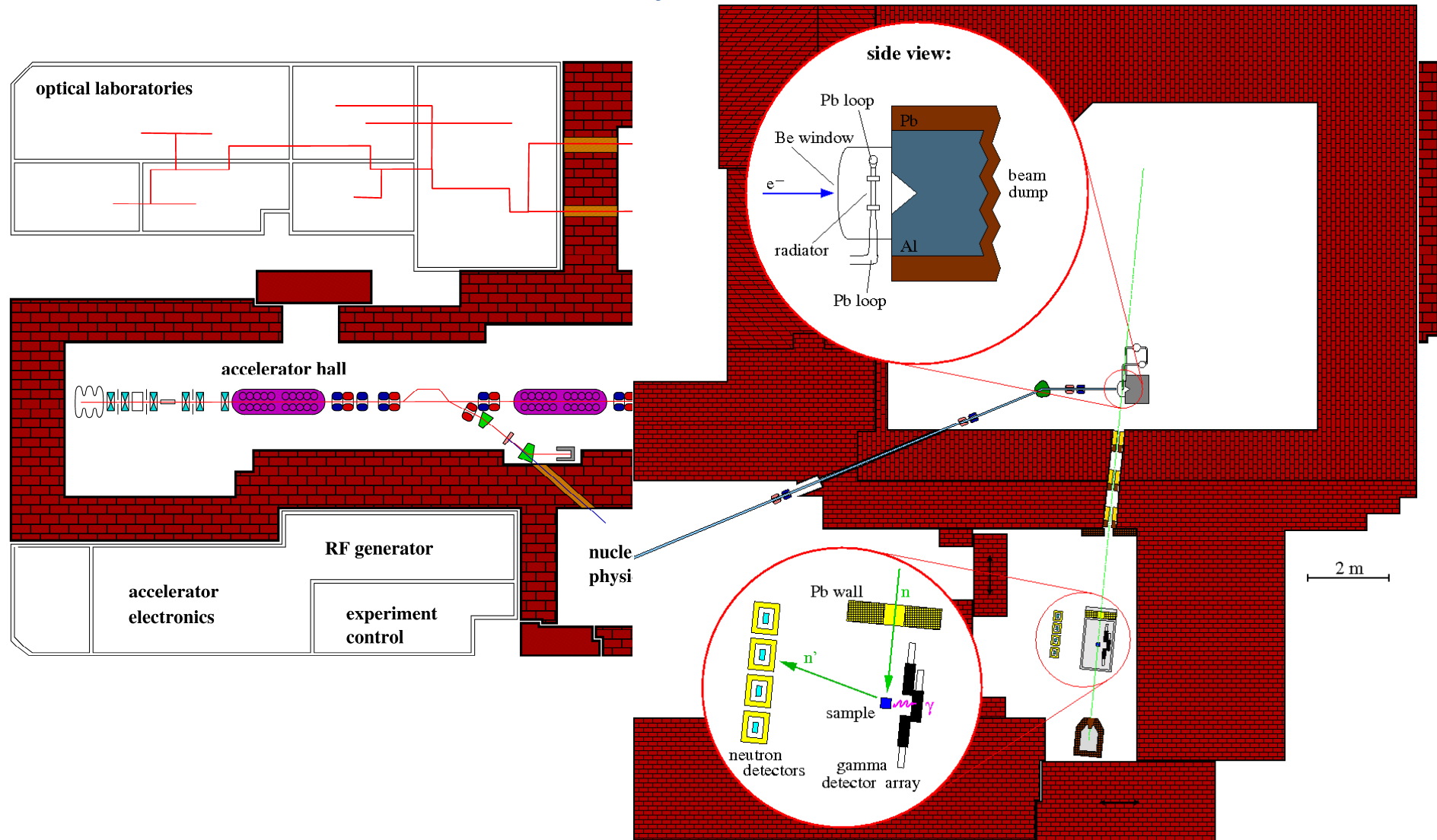
ToF – facilities producing fast neutrons

n-ToF-device	p, linac + ring					e, linac			<u>ELBE</u>			
	CERN n-ToF		JPARC MLF		ORNL SNS	LANL LANSCE	IREN + ²³⁹ Pu*	ORNL ORELA	IRMM GELINA	FZD n-ELBE	ELBE + photo-gun	
beam power / kW	10		100	1000+	1000	80	10	8	10	5	40	
rep. rate / s ⁻¹	0.4		25		60	20	150	500	800	2·10 ⁵	5·10 ⁵	
flight path L / m	183	20 ⁺	≈ 25		84	20	60	500	40	200	5	5
n-pulse length / ns	> 7		100		500	125	400		> 4	< 1	< 1	< 1
E _{min} / eV	0.1	0.1	≈ 0.1		0.1	1	10	10	2·10 ⁵	1·10 ⁵	5·10 ⁴	
E _{max} / eV	3·10 ⁸		≈ 10 ⁶		≈ 10 ⁸	≈ 10 ⁶	5·10 ⁶	5·10 ⁶	20·10 ⁶	7·10 ⁶	7·10 ⁶	
ΔE/E @ 1MeV	0.5%	5%	< 2 %		> 10 %	≈ 17 %	9%	1%	< 4 %	< 2 %	< 2 %	< 2 %
n-flux Φ _L at 1MeV (s·cm ² ·MeV) ⁻¹ exp. site	2·10 ⁴	2·10 ⁶	10 ⁶	5·10 ⁷	10 ⁷	≈ 3·10 ⁵	10 ⁵	10 ³	10 ⁴	4·10 ⁴	2·10 ⁴	4·10 ⁶
Q = Φ _L / ΔE/E	4·10 ⁶	4·10 ⁷	5·10 ⁸	2·10 ¹⁰	< 10 ⁸	4·10 ⁷	10 ⁶	10 ⁵	2·10 ⁵	2·10 ⁶	5·10 ⁶	2·10 ⁸

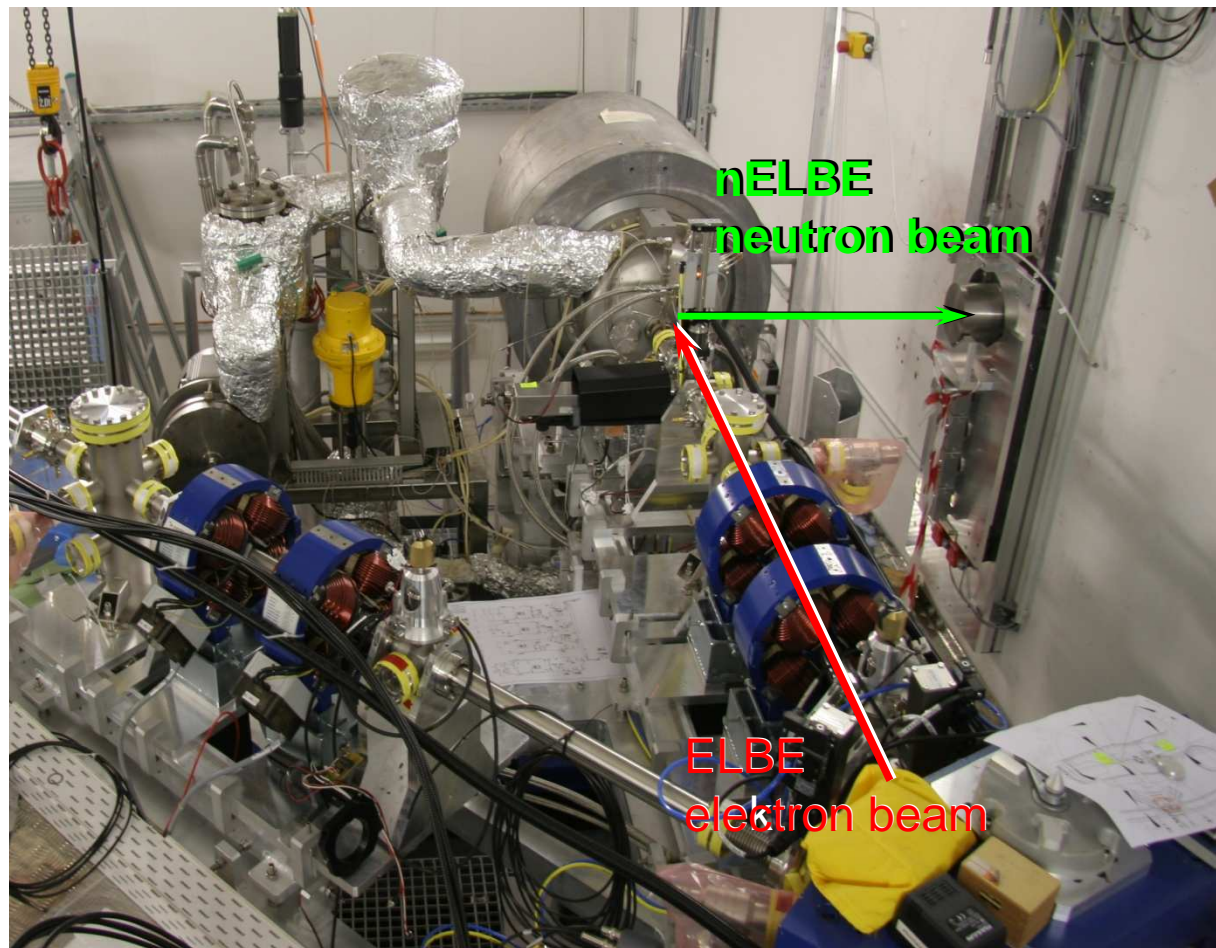
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Facilities for materials research, * delayed neutrons
nuclear research also possible from fission !

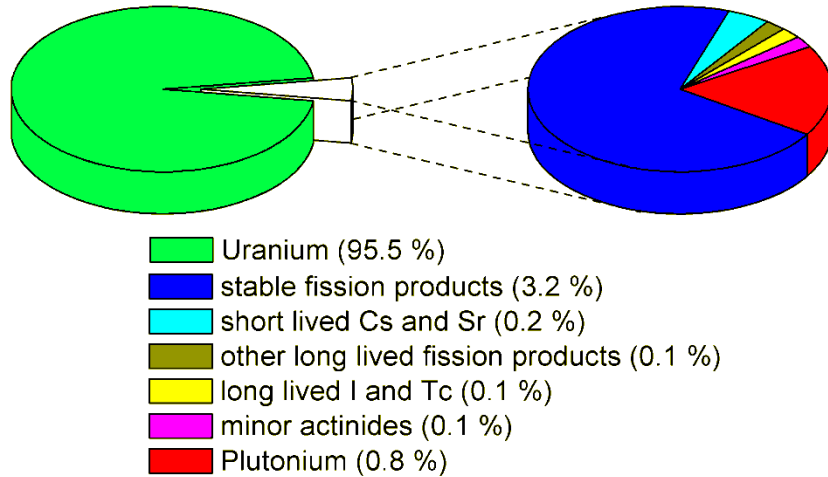
nELBE – neutron facility at ELBE



nELBE – neutron production



The nuclear waste problem



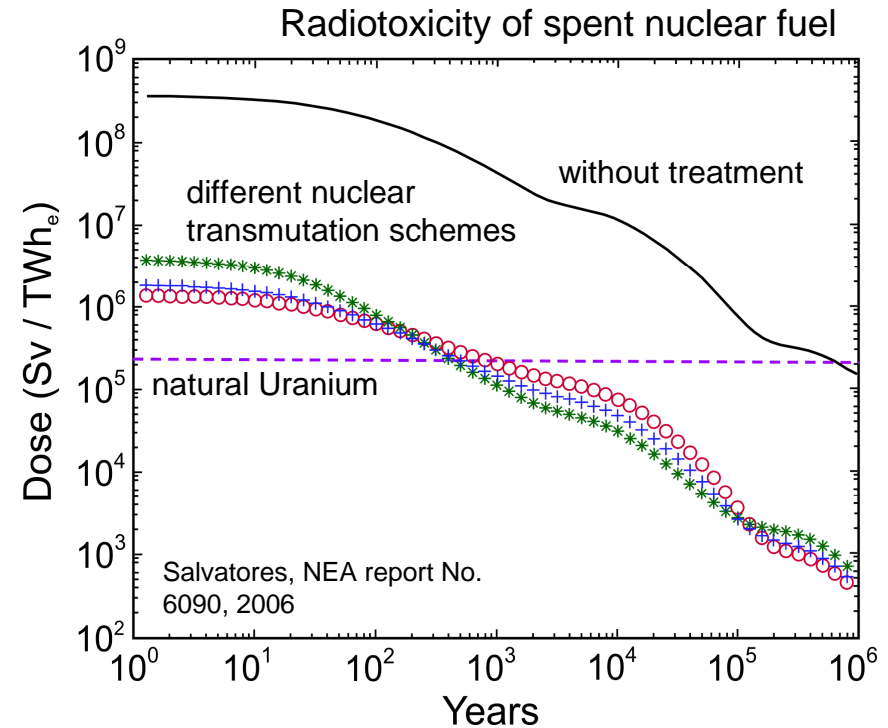
long lived isotopes cause main part of long term radiotoxicity

→ **safe disposal is necessary for more 500,000 years**

→ treatment of nuclear waste can **reduce disposal time by several orders of magnitude**

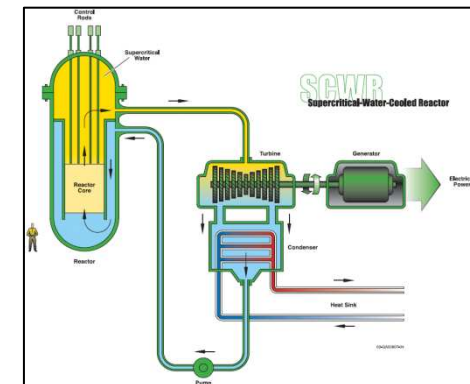
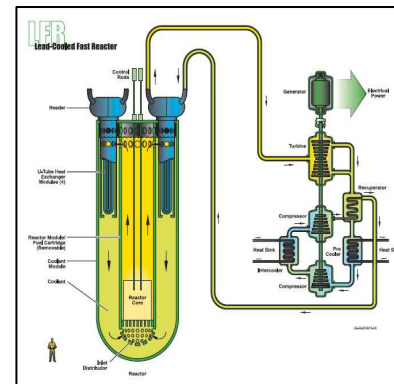
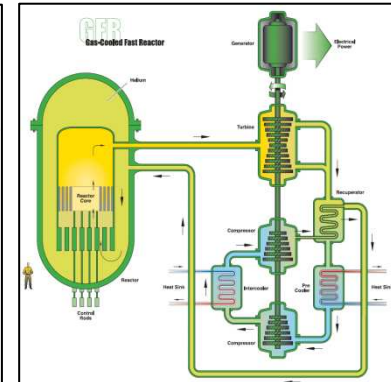
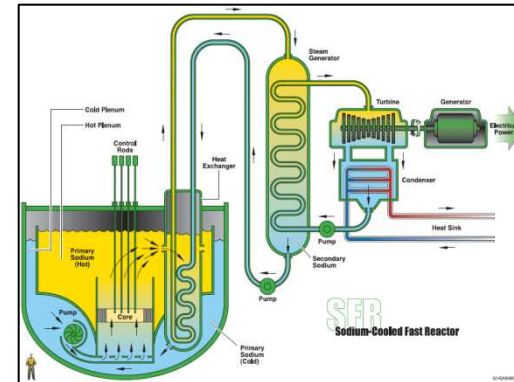
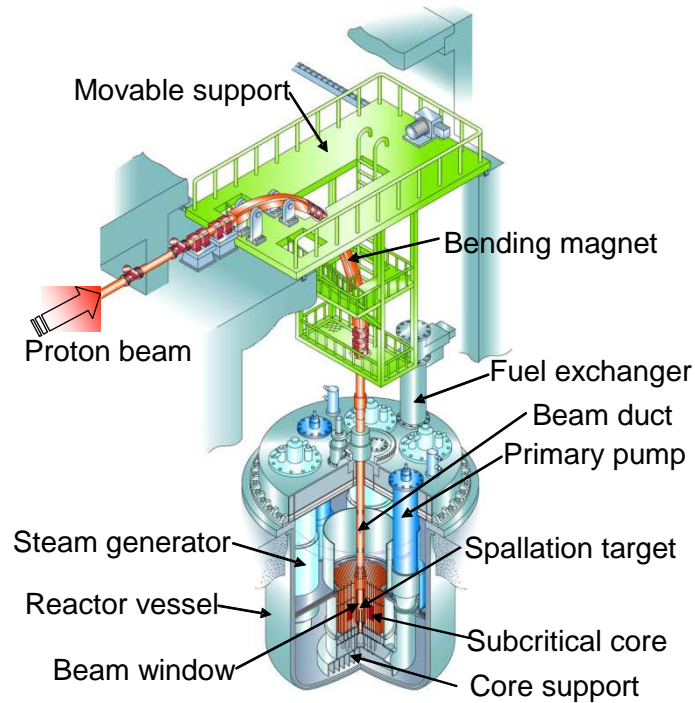
→ **Partitioning:** separate actinides from the rest

→ **Transmutation:** convert long lived isotopes into short lived ones



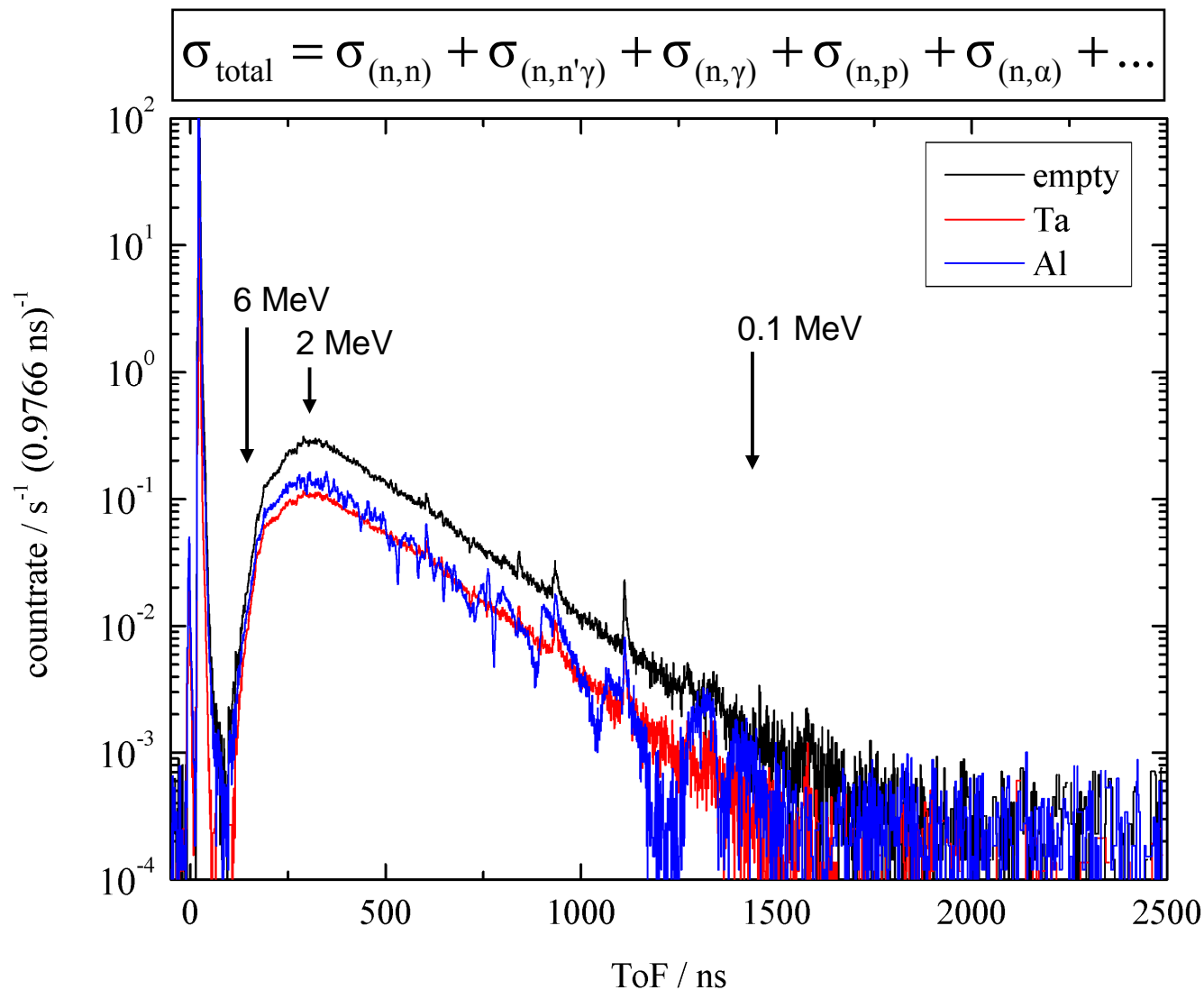
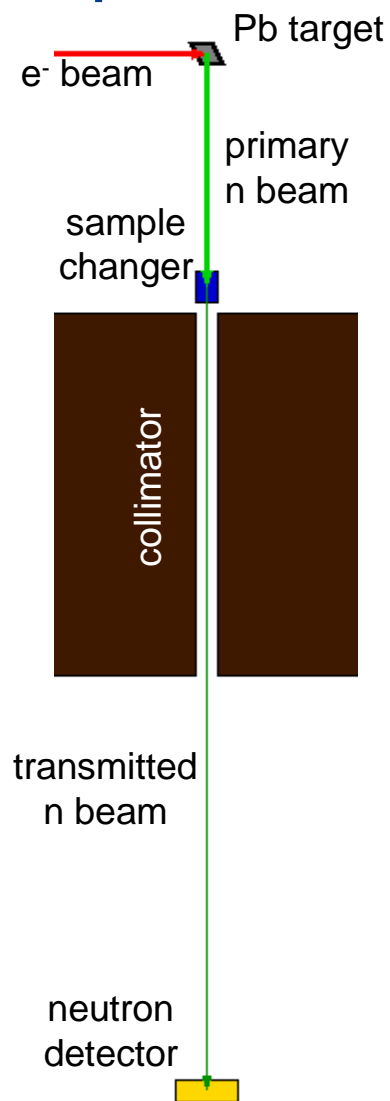
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Accelerator driven systems / Generation IV nuclear reactors

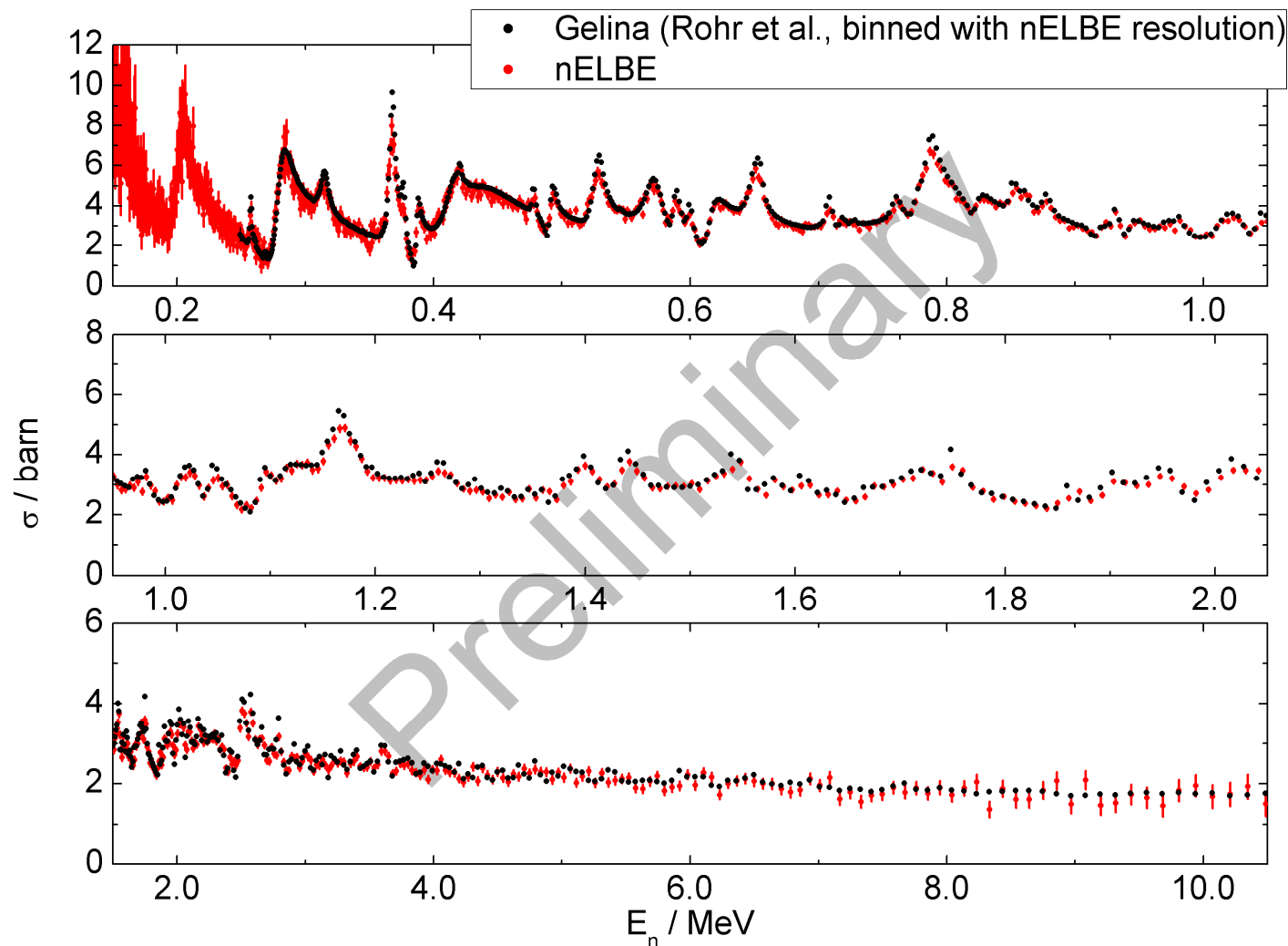


→ **fast neutron** induced fission is used to produce electrical power and to **burn up long lived actinides**

Experimental methods and results - Transmission



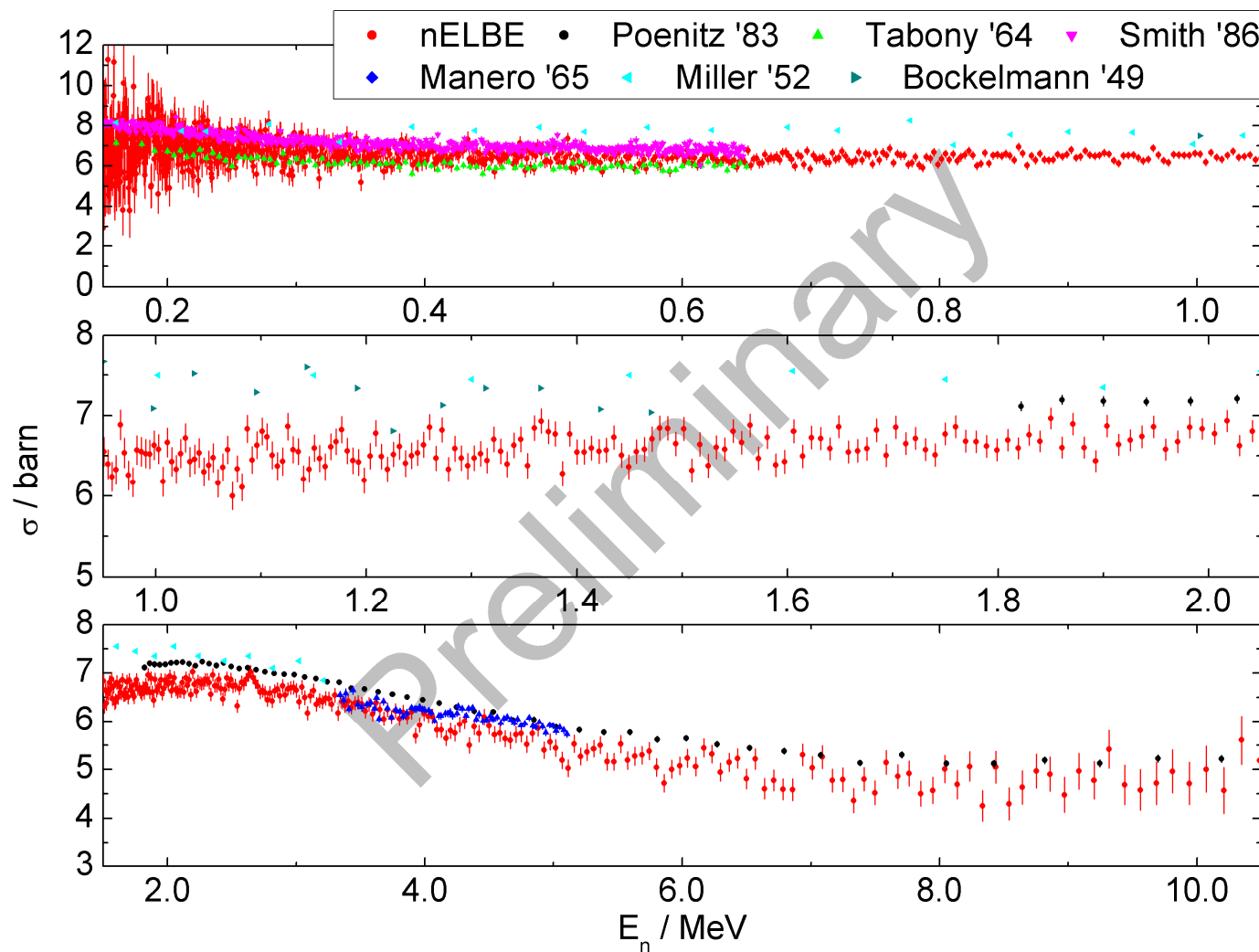
Total neutron cross section of ^{27}Al



good agreement
with high
resolution data

→
nELBE works fine
for transmission
measurements

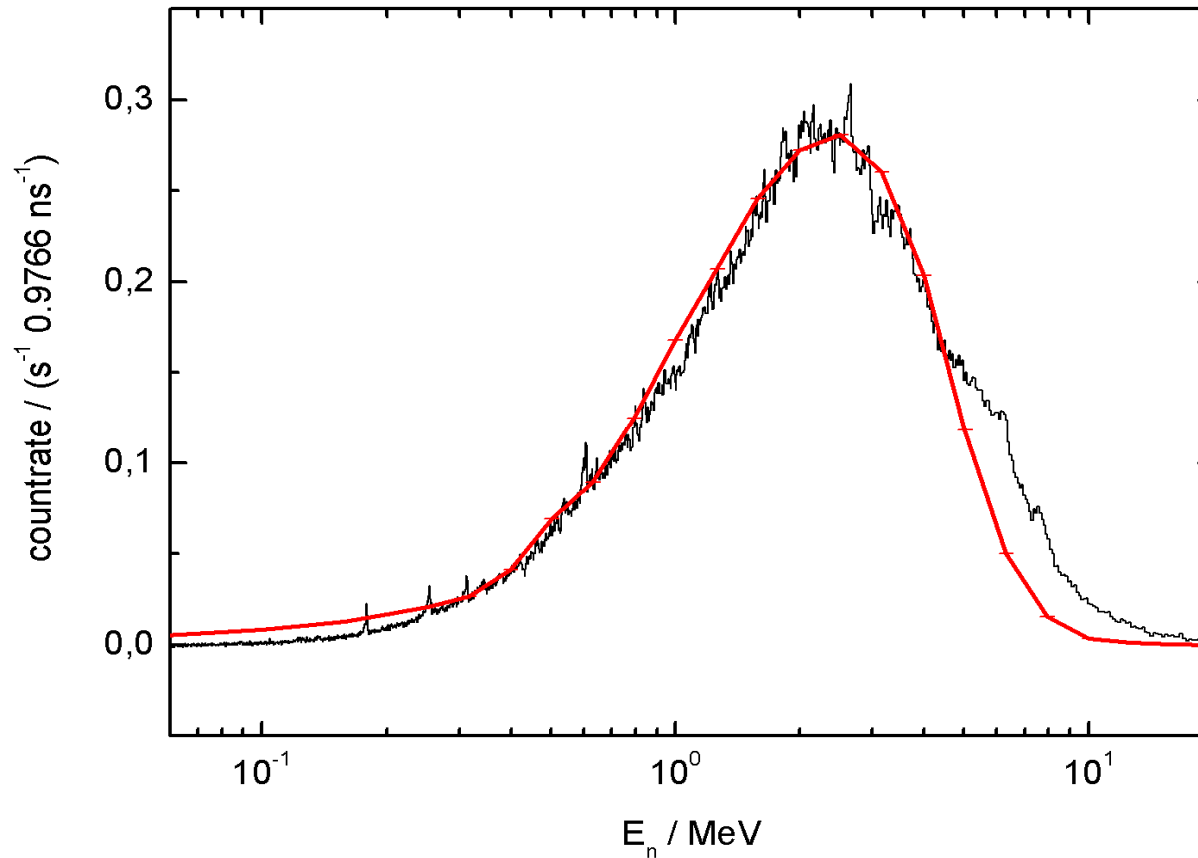
Total neutron cross section of ^{181}Ta



nELBE could close gap between 0.6 and 2.0 MeV

further investigations with different sample thicknesses are ongoing

nELBE Neutronenspektrum



- Elektronenstrahlenergie 33 MeV
- **Simulationsrechnung stimmt gut mit der Messung überein**
- Neutronenspektrum wie in einem schnellen Reaktor

Neutron beam intensity comparison

Facility	CERN n-ToF	CERN n-ToF Phase-2	LANL NSC	ORNL SNS	FZK VdG	ORNL ORELA	IRMM GELINA	nELBE	nELBE with SRF-gun
Pulse charge / nC	ca. 10^3	ca. 10^3	$4 \cdot 10^3$	$3 \cdot 10^4$	0.01	ca. 100	ca. 100	0.08	1.8
Power / kW	10	10	60	1000	0.4	8	7	5	40
Pulse rate / s ⁻¹	0.4	0.4	20	60	$2.5 \cdot 10^5$	500	800	$5 \cdot 10^5$	$5 \cdot 10^5$
Flight Path / m	183	Ca. 20	60	84	0.8	40	20	4	4
n-pulse length / ns	>7	>7	125	100-700	ca. 1	>4	>1	< 0.4	< 0.4
E_{\min} / eV	0.1	0.1	1	0.1	10^3	10	10	$2 \cdot 10^5$	$2 \cdot 10^5$
E_{\max} / eV	$3 \cdot 10^8$	$3 \cdot 10^8$	ca. 10^8	ca. 10^8	$2 \cdot 10^5$	$5 \cdot 10^6$	$4 \cdot 10^6$	$7 \cdot 10^6$	$7 \cdot 10^6$
resolution at 1 MeV / %	0.5%	5%	> 10 %	> 20 %	ca. 5 %	< 1 %	< 2 %	ca. 1 %	ca. 1 %
n flux density / s ⁻¹ cm ⁻² (E decade) ⁻¹	10^5	ca. 10^7	ca. 10^6	$10^6 - 10^7$	ca. 10^4	10^4	$4 \cdot 10^4$	$1 \cdot 10^5$	$3 \cdot 10^6$

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Module 3: Nuclear power

Germany has – in contrast to most other european countries – decided to abandon nuclear power. In the course of this legislation the remaining federal research funds for nuclear safety and final storage were reduced to a minimum. Even if Germany will stick to this decision and will shut down all nuclear power stations in the next ca. 15 years, a further need for research is indispensable in the fields of nuclear safety, final storage and radiation research. It is both in the common interest as well as in the national self-interest to further develop the very high german safety standards to contribute to the design, the operation and the building of future nuclear power plants elsewhere in the world.

Generation IV nuclear reactor types

as selected by an international panel to be designed and evaluated numerically on the basis of accurate data, eventually to be tested later in integral experiments.

type

dedication

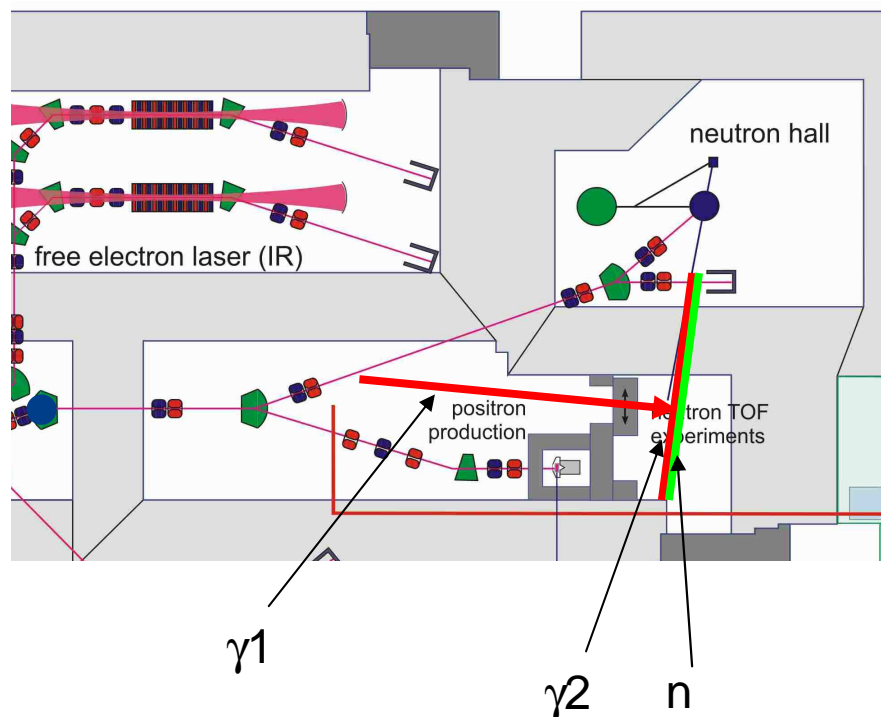
GFR a	Gas-Cooled Fast Reactor	Efficient actinide management; closed fuel cycle. Delivers electricity, hydrogen, or heat.
LFR b	Lead-Cooled Fast Reactor	Small factory-built plant; closed cycle with very long refuelling interval (15-20 years). Transportable to where needed for production of distributed energy, drinkable water, hydrogen. Also larger LFRs are under consideration.
MSR c	Molten Salt Reactor	Tailored to an efficient burn up of Pu and MA; liquid fuel avoids need for fuel fabrication; inherently safe. Ranked highest in sustainability; best suited for the thorium cycle.
SFR d	Sodium-Cooled Fast Reactor	Efficient actinide management; conversion of fertile U; closed cycle.
SCWR e	Super Critical Water-Cooled Reactor	Efficient electricity production; option for actinide management; once-through uranium cycle in the most simple form; closed cycle also possible.
VHTR f	Very-High Temperature Reactor	Once-through uranium cycle; electricity production and heat for petro-chemical industry, thermo-chemical production of hydrogen.

Only for type **e** water is selected as coolant, thus accurate **fast neutron data** are required.

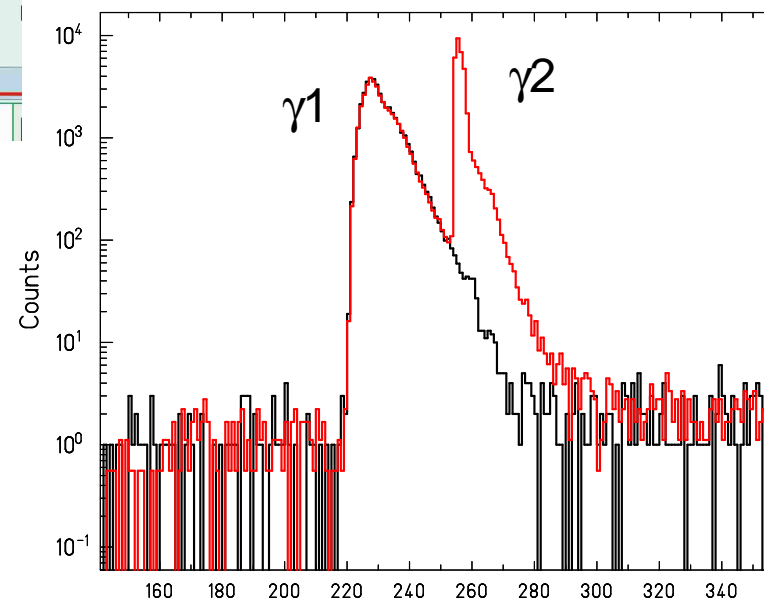
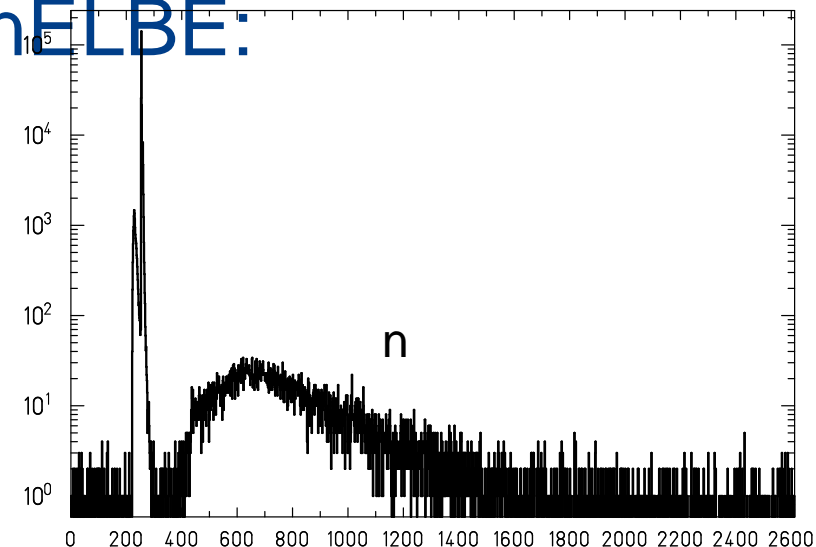
GENERATION IV NUCLEAR ENERGY SYSTEMS

	<i>Neutron Spectrum</i>	<i>Fuel Cycle</i>	<i>Size</i>	<i>Applications</i>	<i>R&D</i>
<i>Gas-Cooled Fast Reactor (GFR)</i>	Fast	Closed	Med	Electricity, Actinide Mgmt., Hydrogen	Fuels, Materials, Safety
<i>Lead-alloy Fast Reactor (LFR)</i>	Fast	Closed	Small to Large	Electricity, Actinide Mgmt., Hydrogen	Fuels, Materials compatibility
<i>Sodium Fast Reactor (SFR)</i>	Fast	Closed	Med to Large	Electricity, Actinide Mgmt.	Advanced Recycle
<i>Very High Temp. Gas Reactor (VHTR)</i>	Thermal	Open	Med	Electricity, Hydrogen, Process Heat	Fuels, Materials, H ₂ production
<i>Supercritical Water Reactor (SCWR)</i>	Thermal, Fast	Open, Closed	Large	Electricity	Materials, Safety
<i>Molten Salt Reactor (MSR)</i>	Thermal	Closed	Large	Electricity, Actinide Mgmt., Hydrogen	Fuel, Fuel treatment, Materials, Safety and Reliability

time of flight spectrum at nELBE:

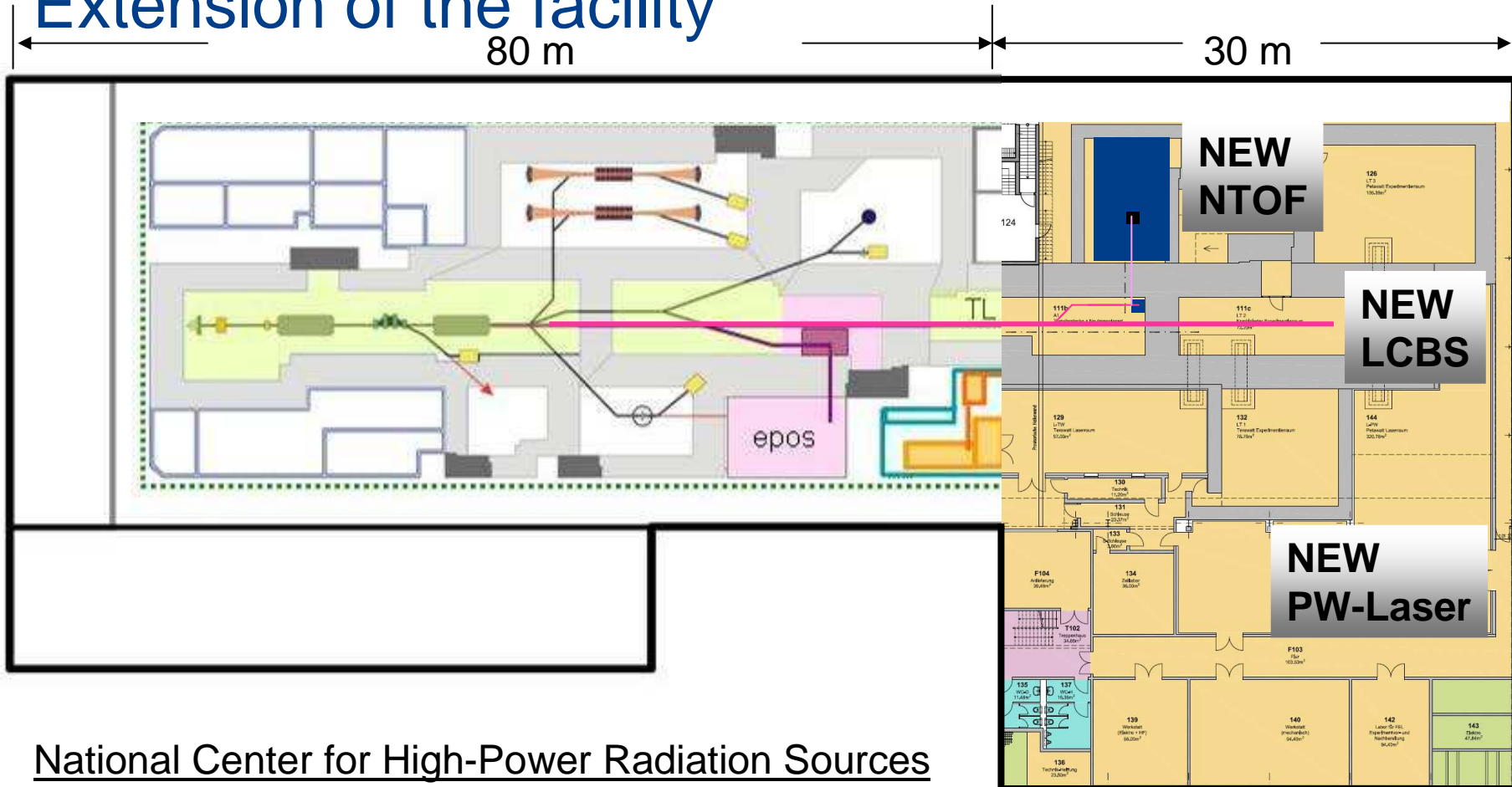


photon time of flight from radiator 22 ns
 -from beamline losses < 22 ns
 neutron time of flight 150 – 1600 ns



tof + t_0 / ns

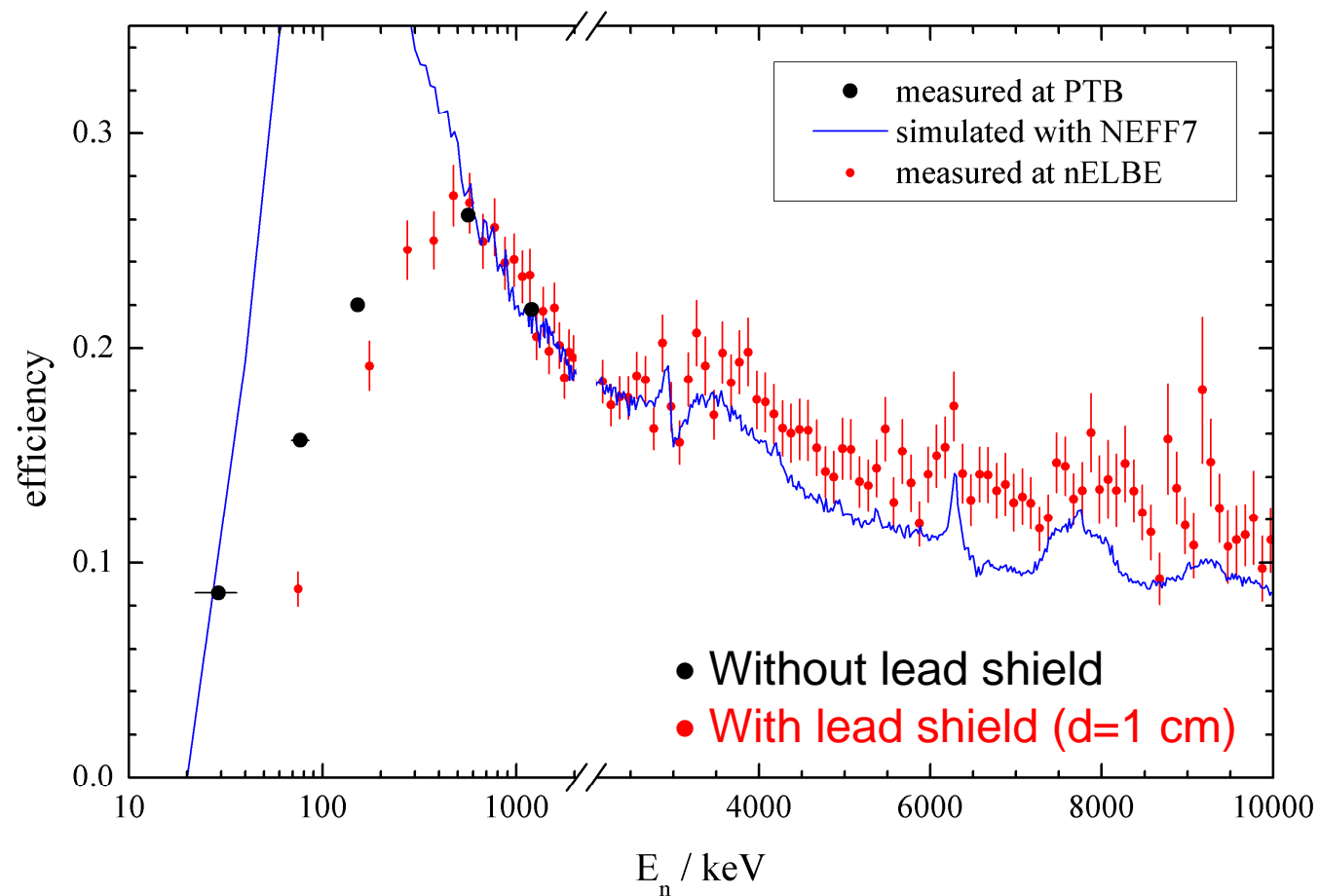
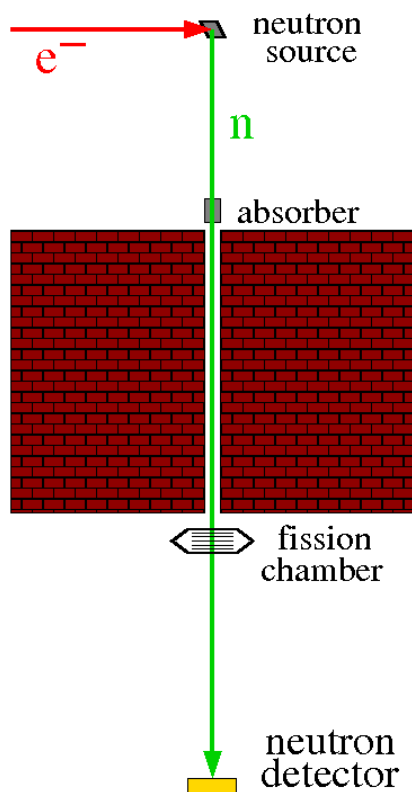
Extension of the facility



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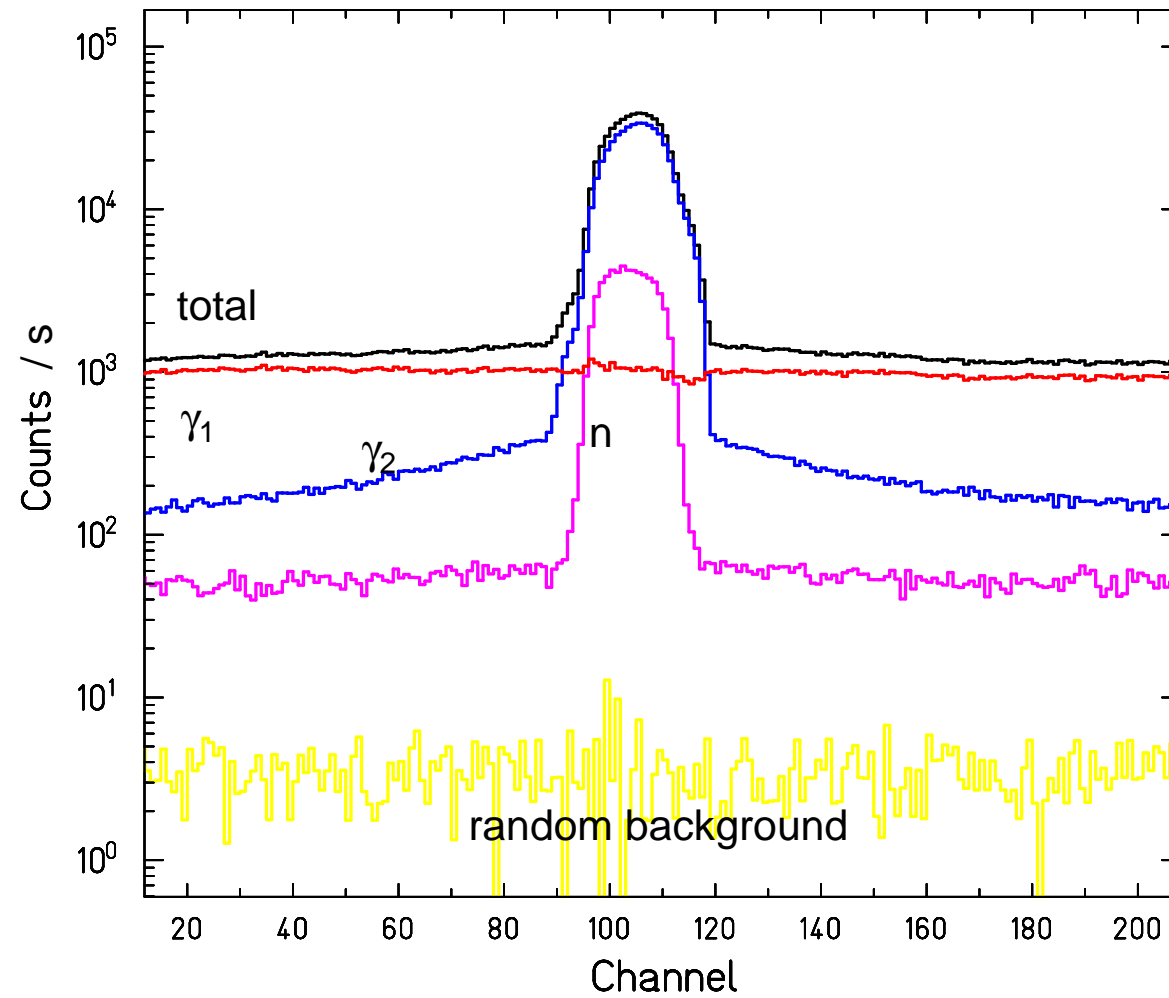
- X-ray source using Laser-Compton-Backscattering
- High-Power Laser (PW) for Ion Acceleration
- New Neutron Time-of-Flight Facility for Transmutation Studies

Plastic scintillators: neutron detection efficiency

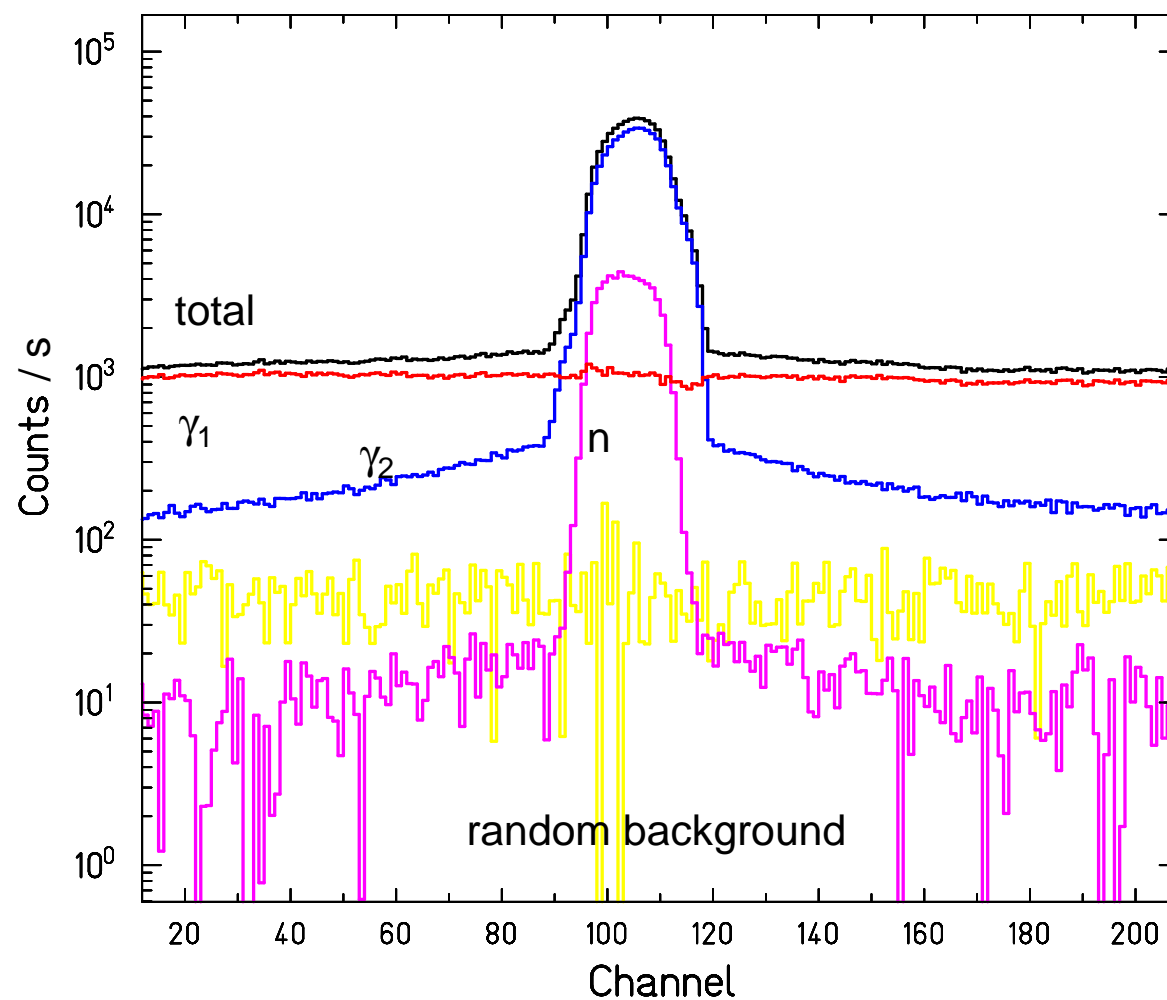


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Vertical Beam Scan (Run 2859)



Vertical Beam Scan



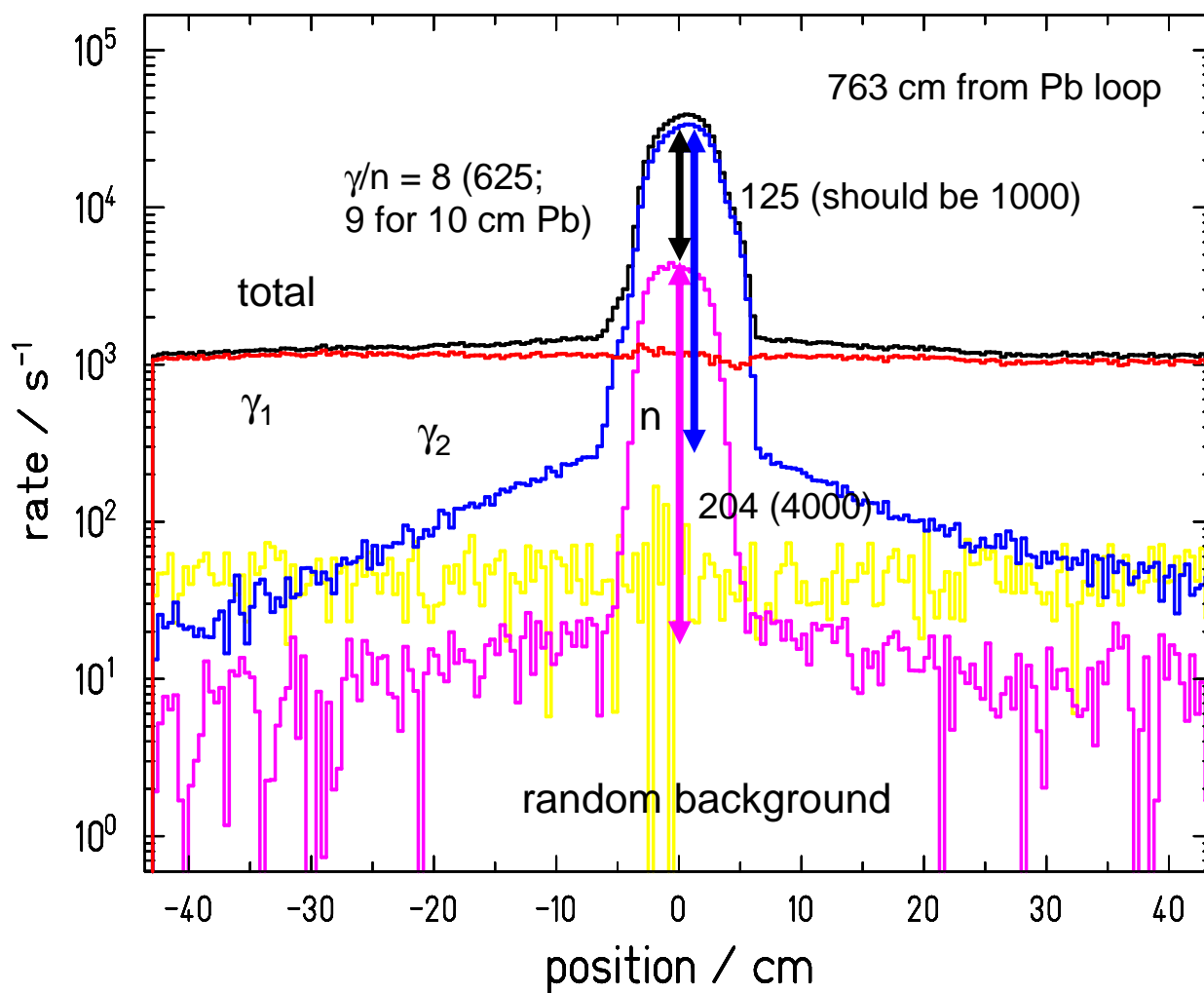
Plastic scintillator stepped through the beam both vertical and horizontal.

ToF measurement → separation of different components in the spectrum

Detector- diameter 11 mm

N-beam diameter ca. 6 cm

Vertical Beam Scan (Run 2859)



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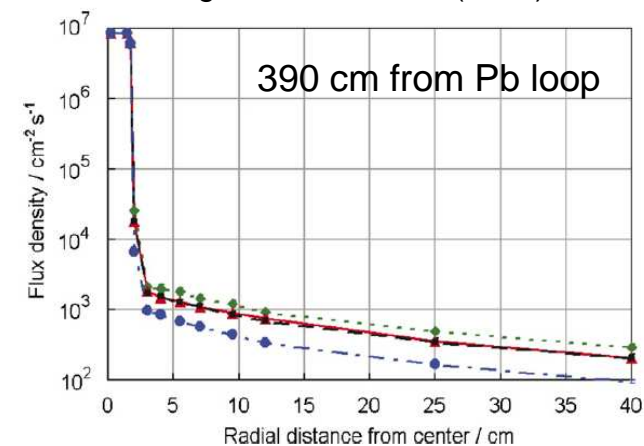


Fig. 8. Radial profile of the neutron flux after four different collimator types 3.9 m from the radiator ($E_e = 30$ MeV, $I_e = 1$ mA). The line styles indicate the neutron beam profile behind the respective collimator shown in Fig. 7.

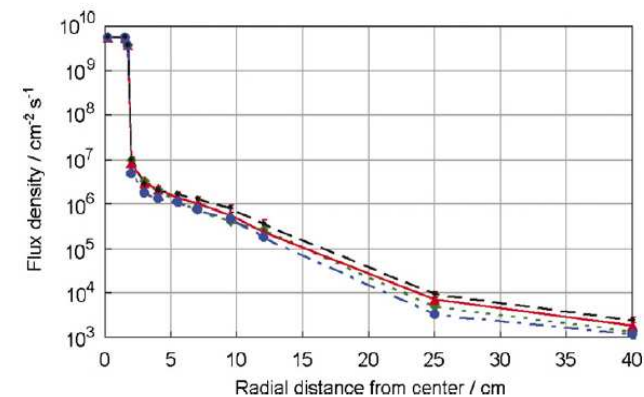


Fig. 9. Photon flux densities after four different collimator types, analog to the neutron beam profiles in Fig. 8.

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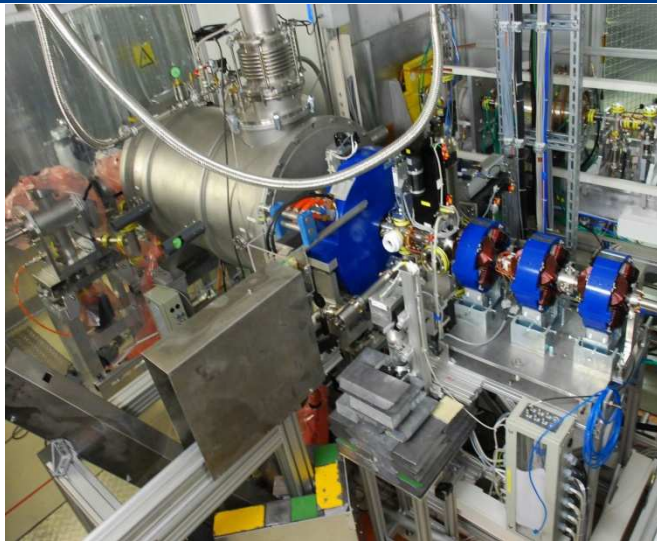
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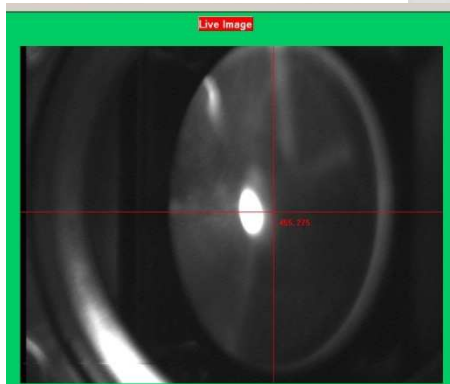
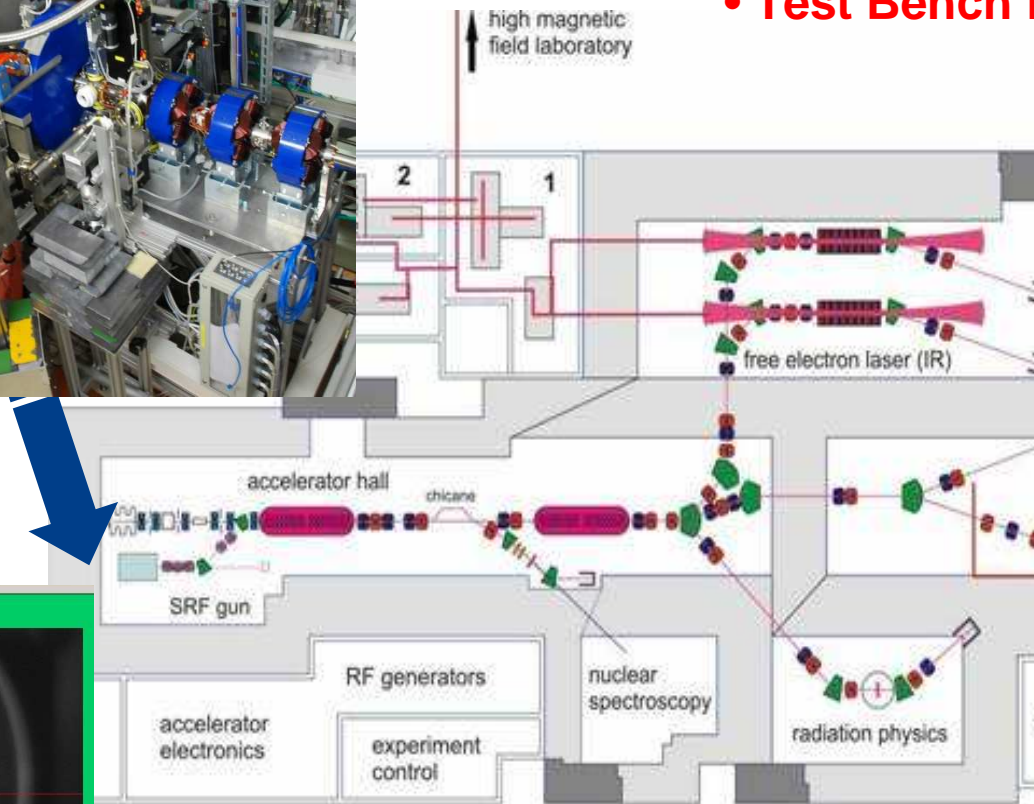
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- New Injector for the ELBE SC Linac
- Test Bench for SRF Gun R&D



First accelerated SRF gun beam
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New improved
Nb cavities
Produced with
JLab

Results and Outlook

- Fast neutrons are the decisive for the transmutation of long-lived minor actinides in shorter-lived fission products.
- The time frame for final storage can be reduced to historical times (< 1000 years) through a closed nuclear fuel cycle including partitioning and transmutation.
- Precise experimental data for fast-neutron induced reactions like $(n,n'\gamma)$, (n,tot) and (n,f) using radioactive targets are required for the development of transmutation facilities (fast reactors, ADS)
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More and better quality data

Availability of accurate nuclear data (cross sections, decay constants, branching ratios, etc.) is the basis for precise reactor calculations both for current (applications to higher burn-up, plant life extension) and new generation reactors. *Additional experimental measurements and their detailed analysis and interpretation are required in a broad range of neutron energies and materials. This is particularly true for fuels containing minor actinides for their transmutation in fast spectra*

