

Direct reaction studies with the ISOLDE Solenoidal Spectrometer

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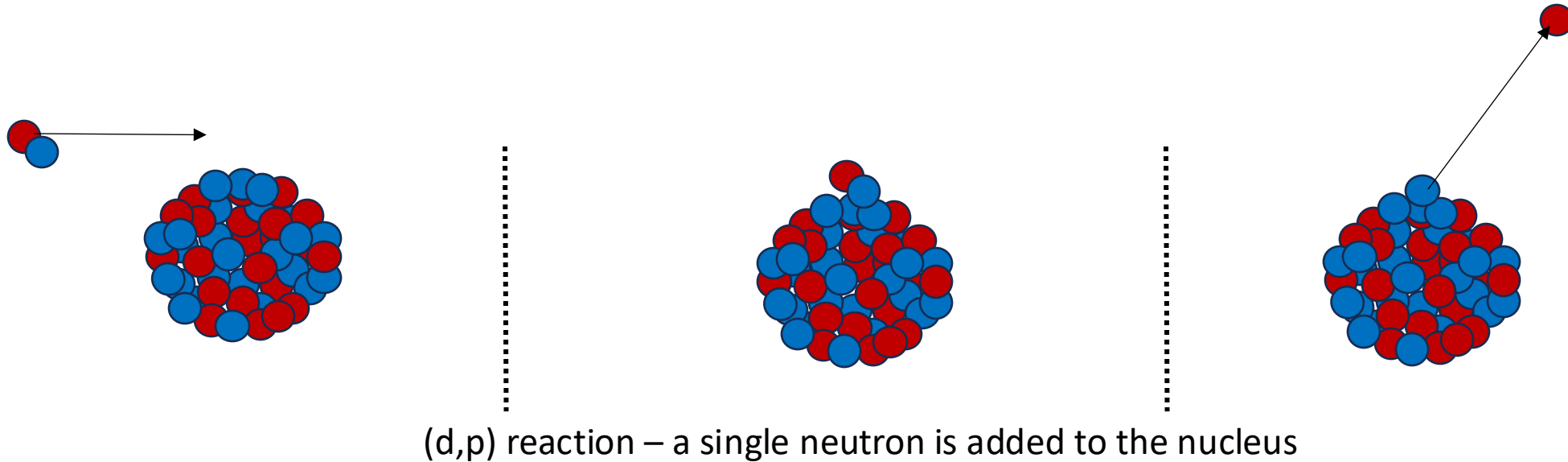


Direct reactions

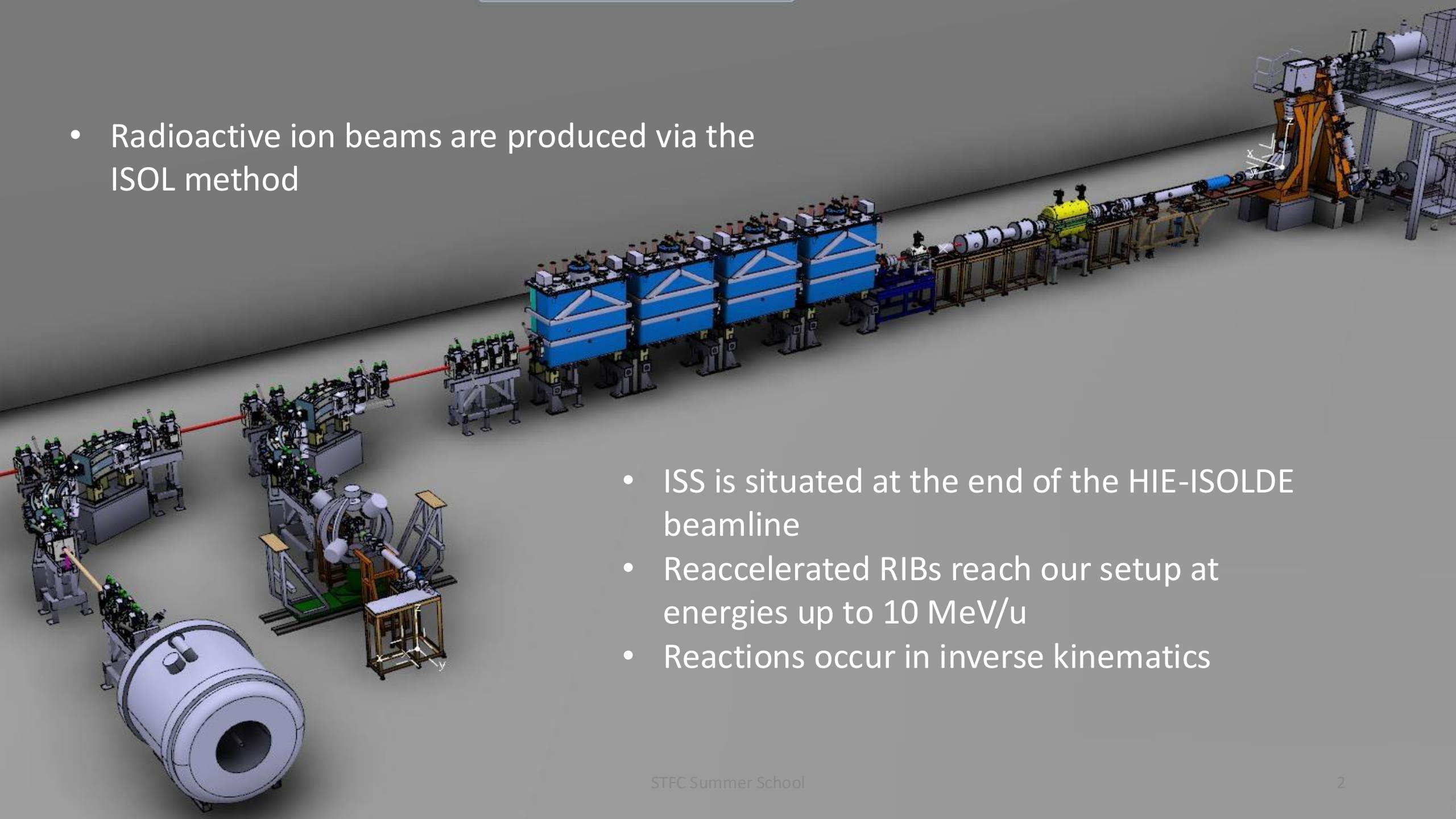
(d,p) , (p,d) - reveal information about single particle states

(t,p) , (p,t) - gives information on pairing correlations

(d,d') , (p,p') - used as a probe for collective behavior

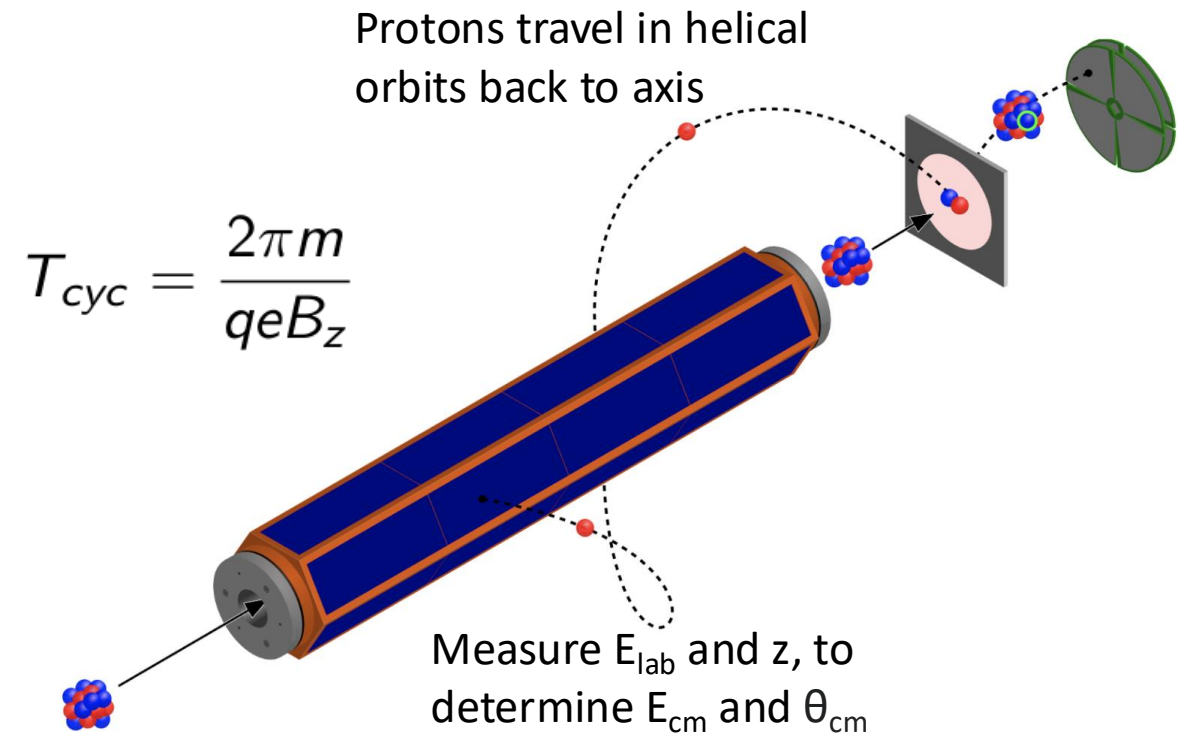
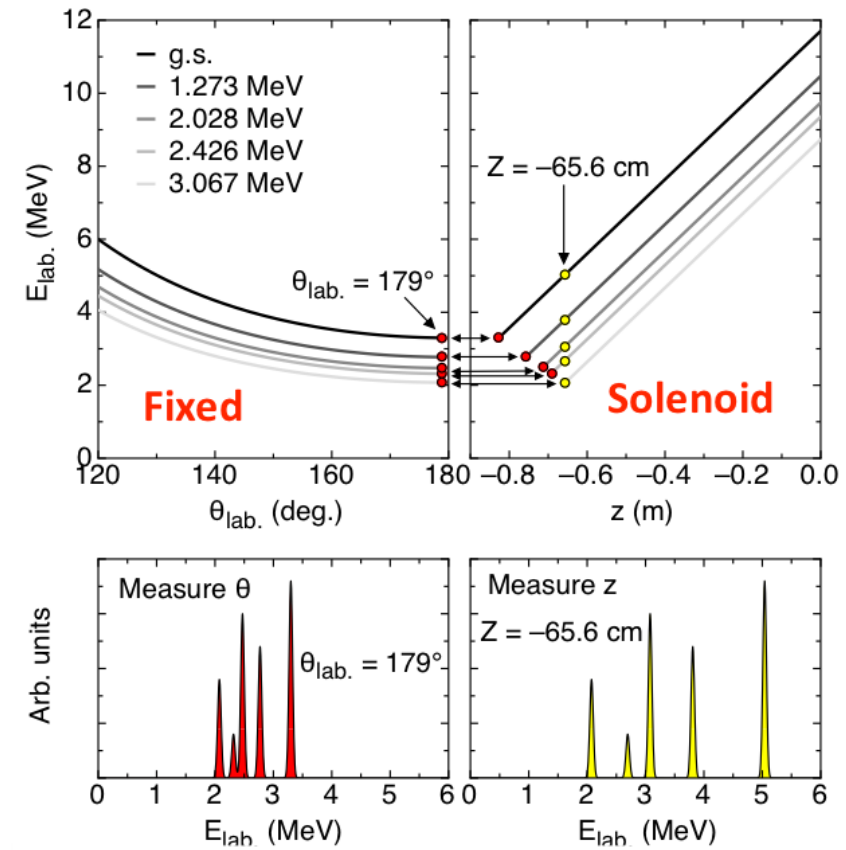


- Radioactive ion beams are produced via the ISOL method



- ISS is situated at the end of the HIE-ISOLDE beamline
- Reaccelerated RIBs reach our setup at energies up to 10 MeV/u
- Reactions occur in inverse kinematics

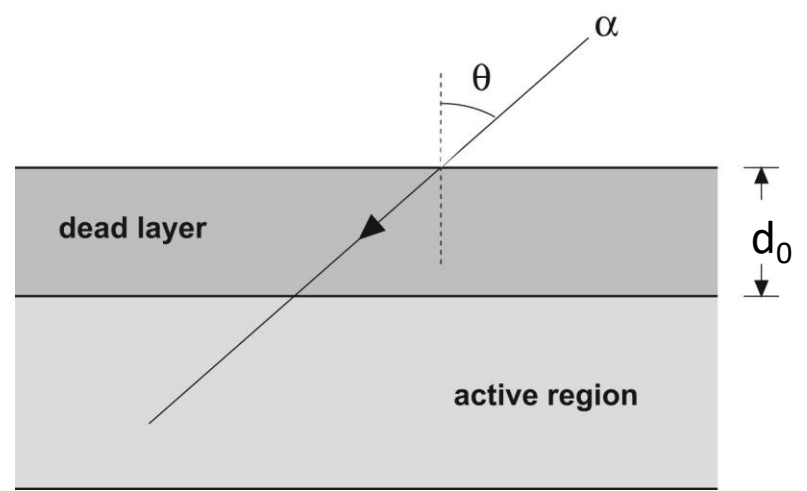
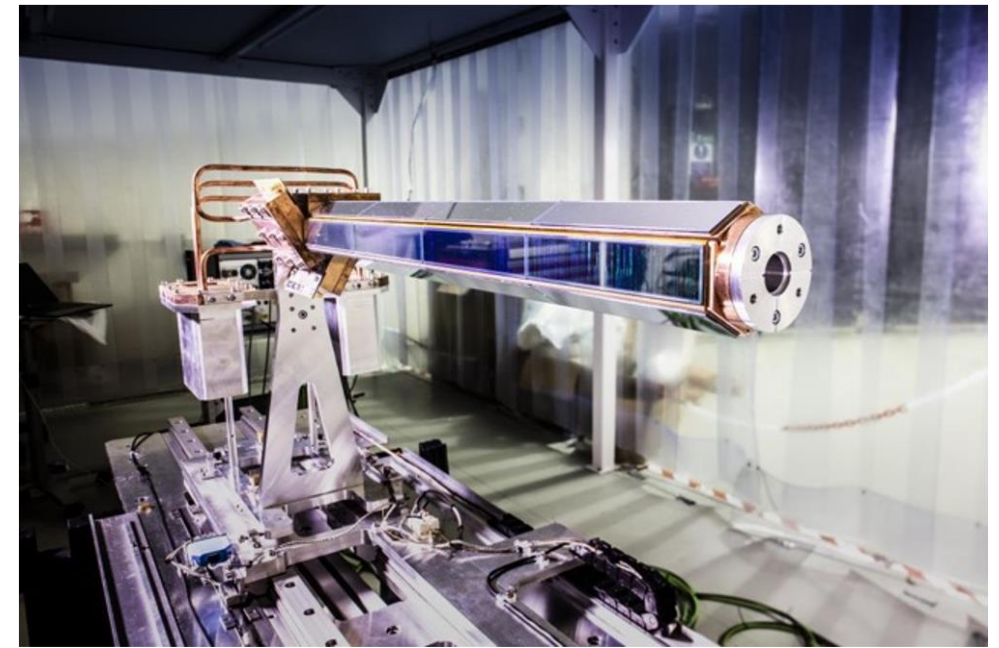
Solenoidal technique



$$E_{cm} = E_{lab} + \frac{mV_{cm}^2}{2} - \frac{mzV_{cm}}{T_{cyc}}$$

Calibrations

- Hexagonal array of 24 position sensitive DSSDs
- Composite α -source used to calibrate the ISS array
- Manufacturer states Al dead layer is 0.4 μm
- Energy loss is $\sim 100 \text{ keV}/\mu\text{m}$ in Al dead layer
- Need to correct for energy losses in the dead layer to properly calibrate the DSSDs



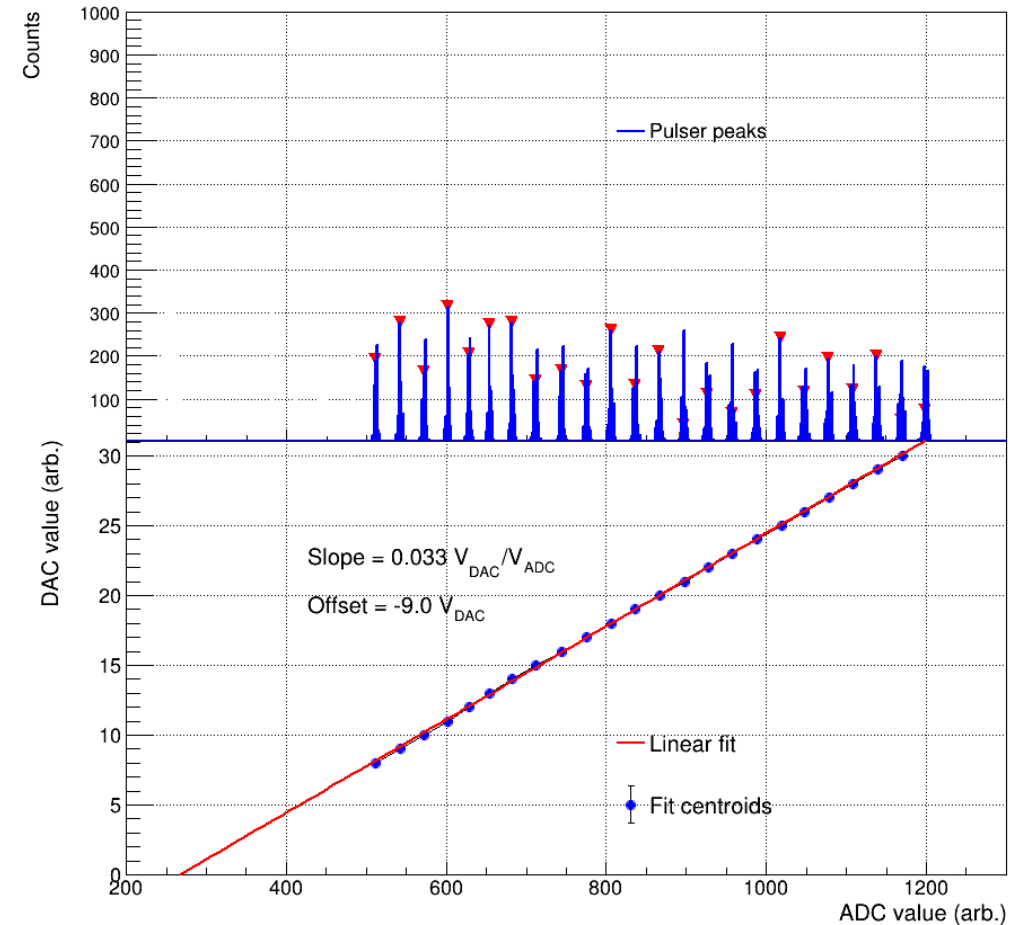
$$\Delta E_w = \int_0^{d_w} \frac{dE}{dx} dx \simeq \left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle \frac{d_0}{\cos \theta}$$

$$E_{det} = E_0 - \left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle \frac{d_0}{\cos \theta}$$

Dead layer determination

- Use ASICs internal pulser to send equally spaced signals into each channel on the DSSD
- "Align" uncalibrated channels with by subtracting offset

$$E_{det} = E_{ADC} * Gain + \text{Offset}$$



Dead layer determination

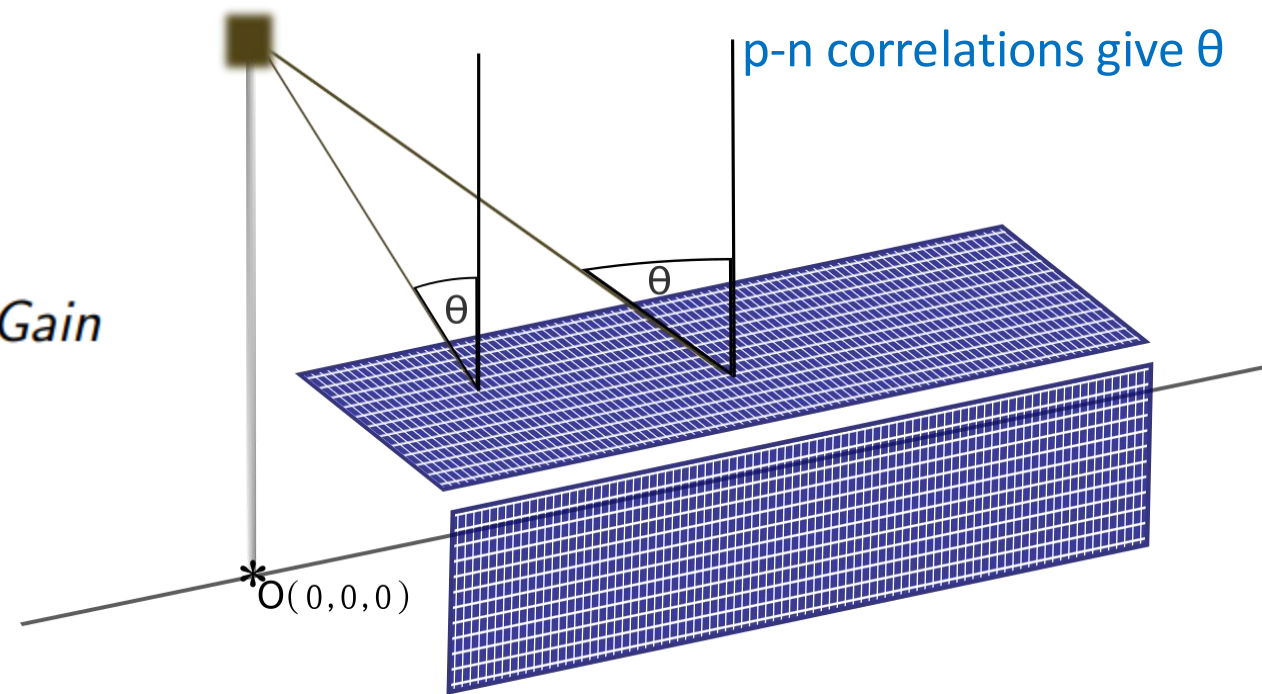
- By measuring the dependance of the n-side energy on θ , the dead-layer can be determined

$$E_{arb} = E_{det} * 1/Gain = \left(E_0 - \left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle \frac{d_0}{\cos \theta} \right) * 1/Gain$$

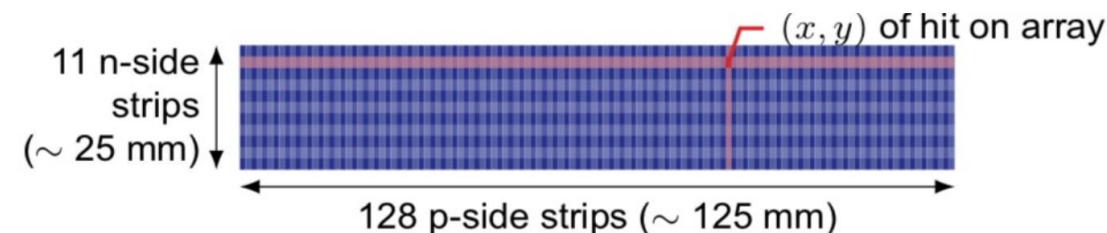
$$m = \left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle d_0 * 1/Gain, \quad c = E_0 * 1/Gain$$

$$d_0 = -\frac{m \cdot E_0}{\left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle \cdot c}$$

α -source positioned off axis

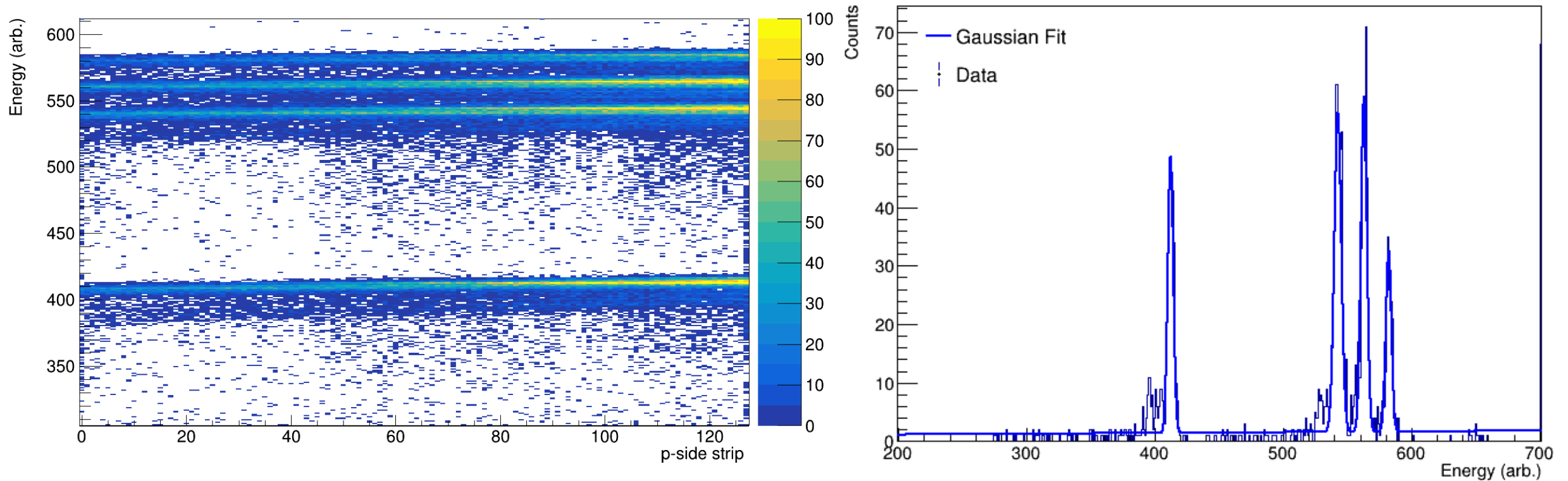


Energy taken from "aligned" n-sides



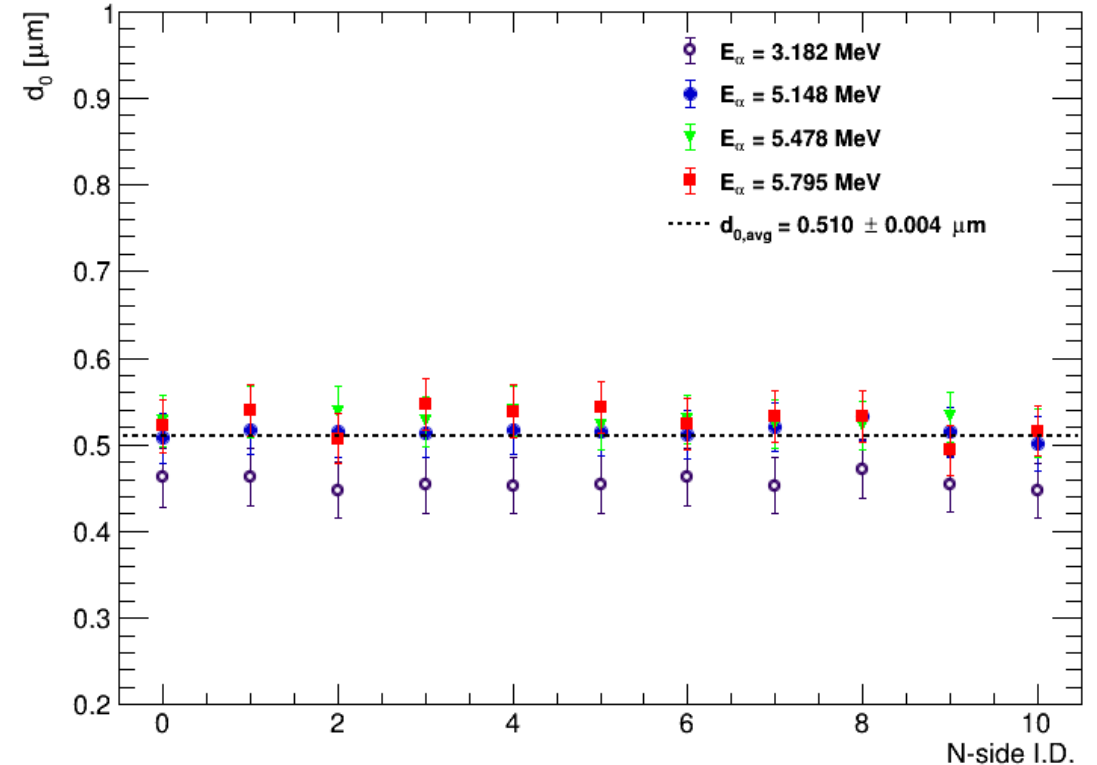
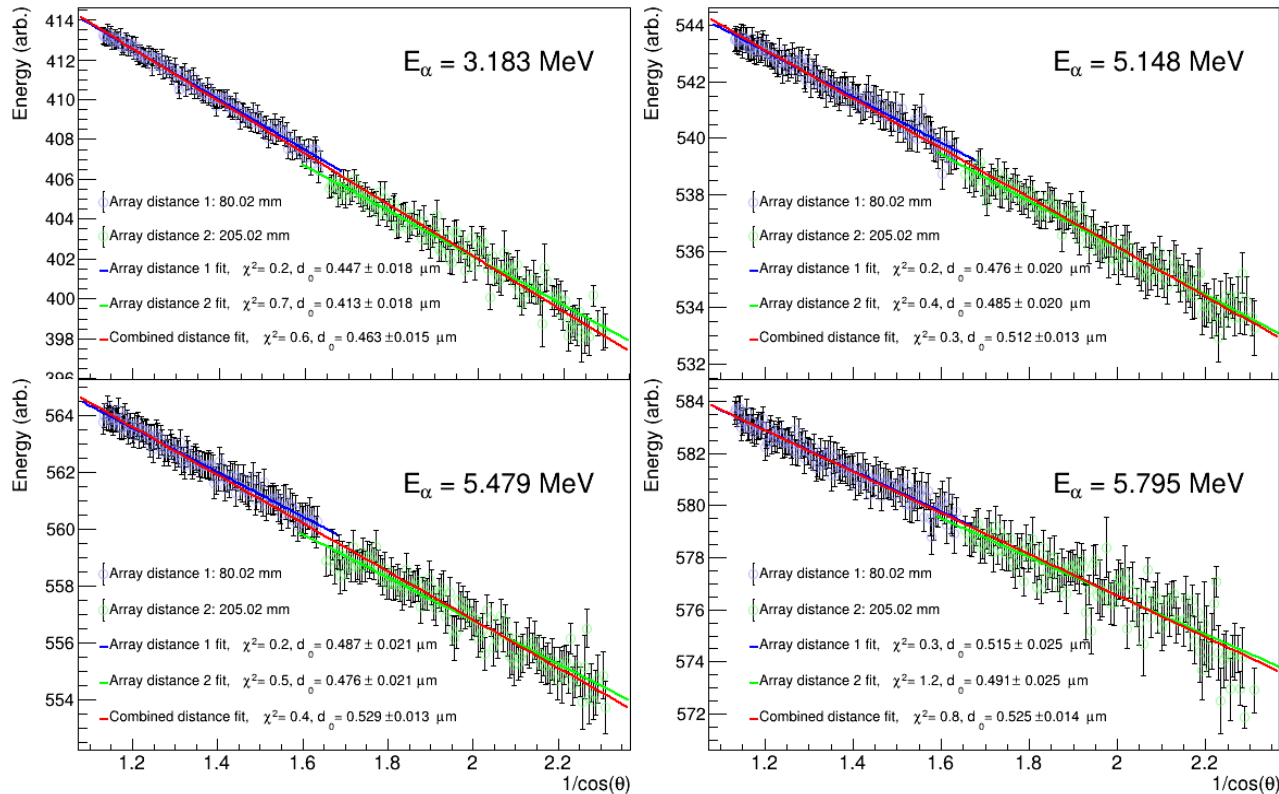
Dead layer determination

- 128 pixels per n-side gives many data points
- Measurement was performed for a total of 5 days at 2 different distances



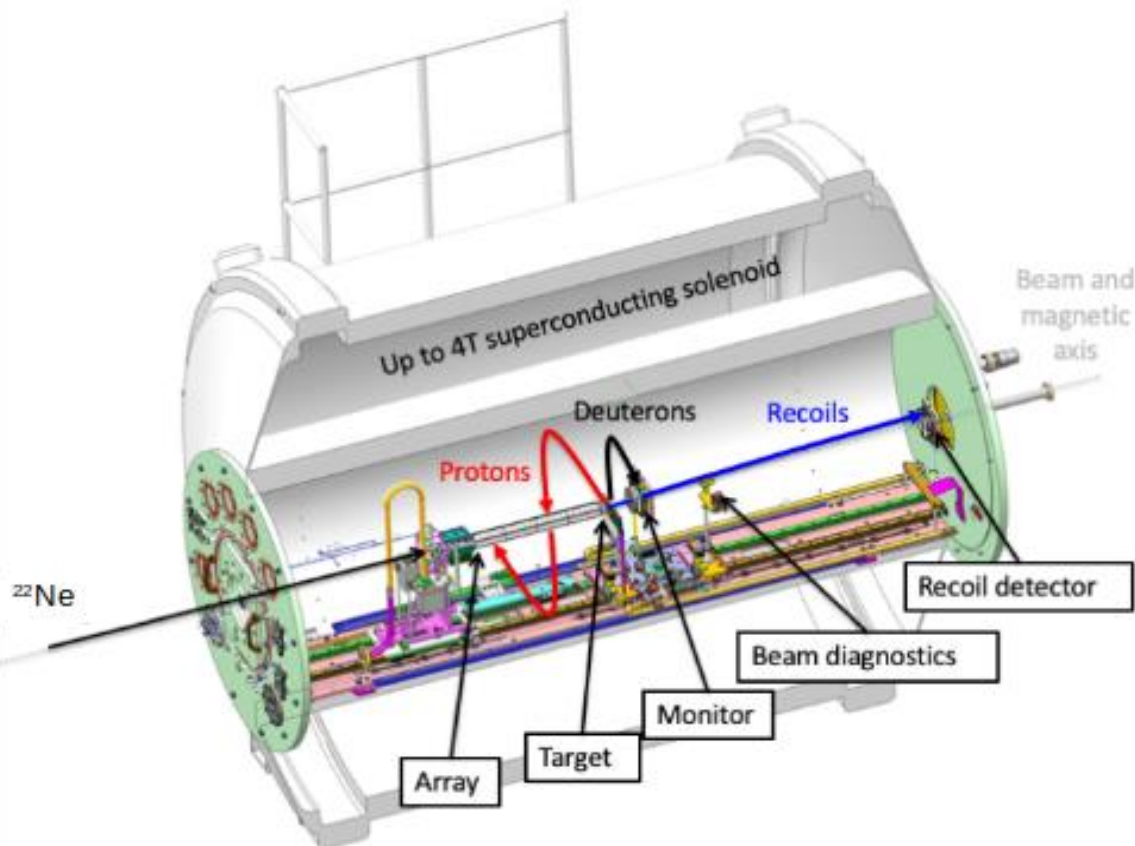
Dead layer determination

- Measured value deviates from manufacturers value by $0.1 \mu\text{m}$, meaning the α loses $\sim 15 \text{ keV}$ more in the dead layer than originally thought



Proof of principle experiment

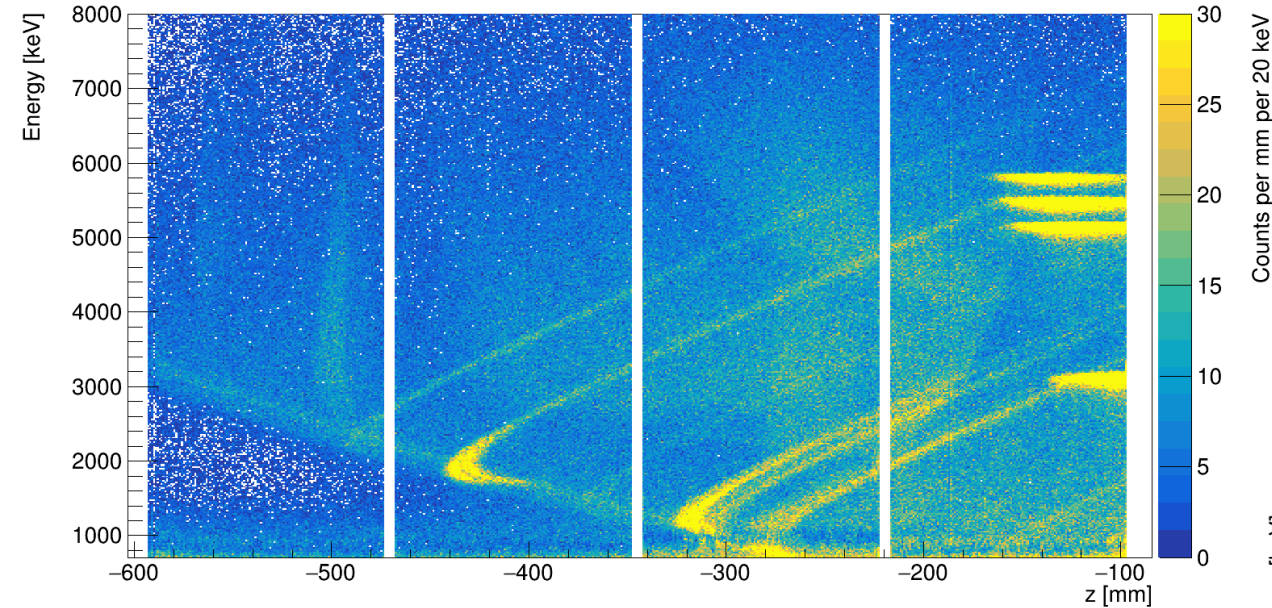
- $^{22}\text{Ne}(d,p)^{23}\text{Ne}$ at 6.05 MeV/u chose as a commissioning experiment for ISS to match experiment performed in normal kinematics with a gas target



- Blocker in front of the array to stop double turns
- $76 \mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2 \text{CD}_2$ target
- Luminosity monitor measures elastically scattered deuterons for absolute normalisation
- dE-E recoil detector can be used to remove fusion evaporation background

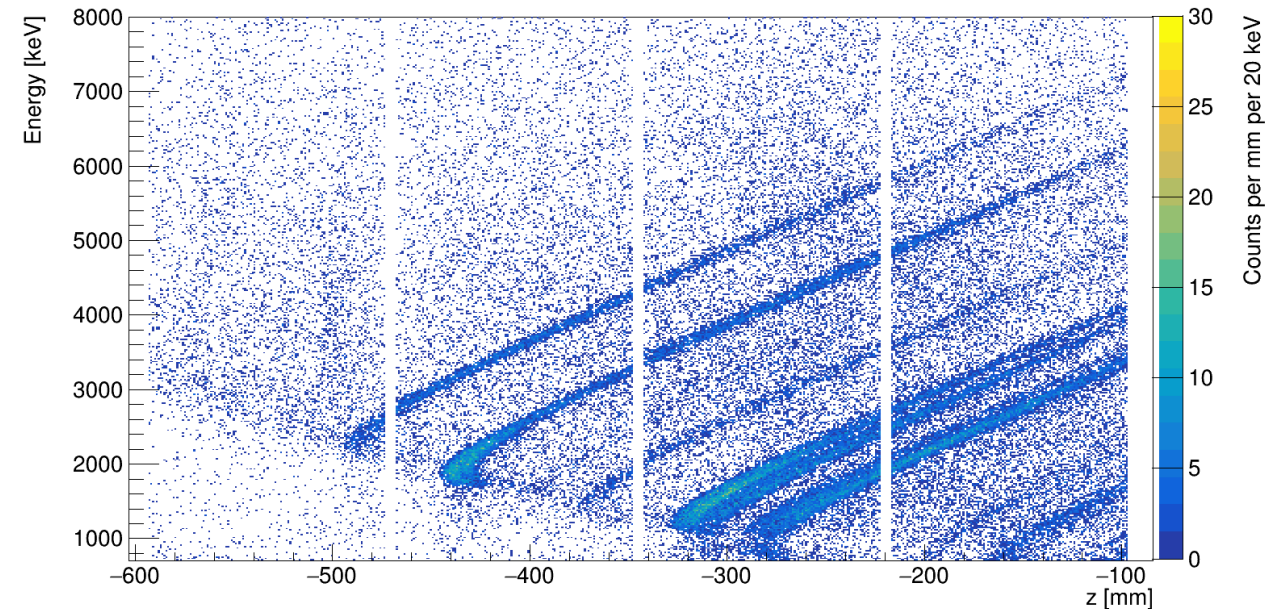
Lab energy vs z-distance

Singles - Energy vs z



- Large fusion evaporation background in singles spectra

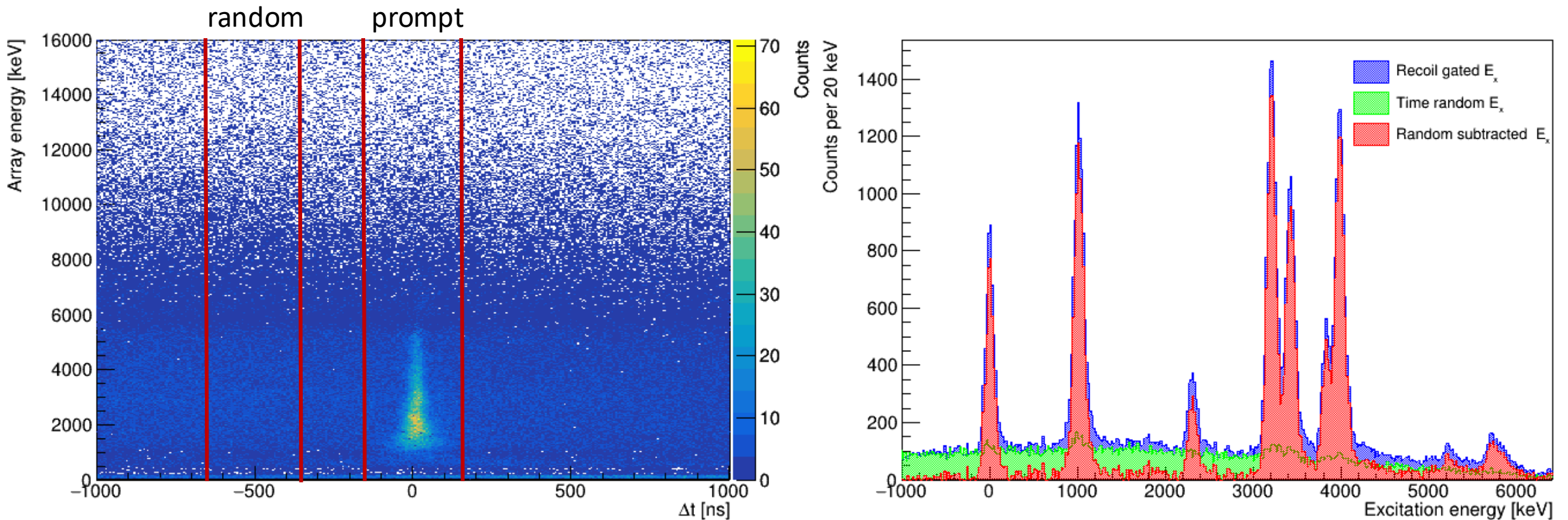
Recoil gated – Energy vs z



- Gating on recoils removes a large amount of background
- Kinematic lines for $^{22}\text{Ne}(d,p)^{23}\text{Ne}$ clearly visible

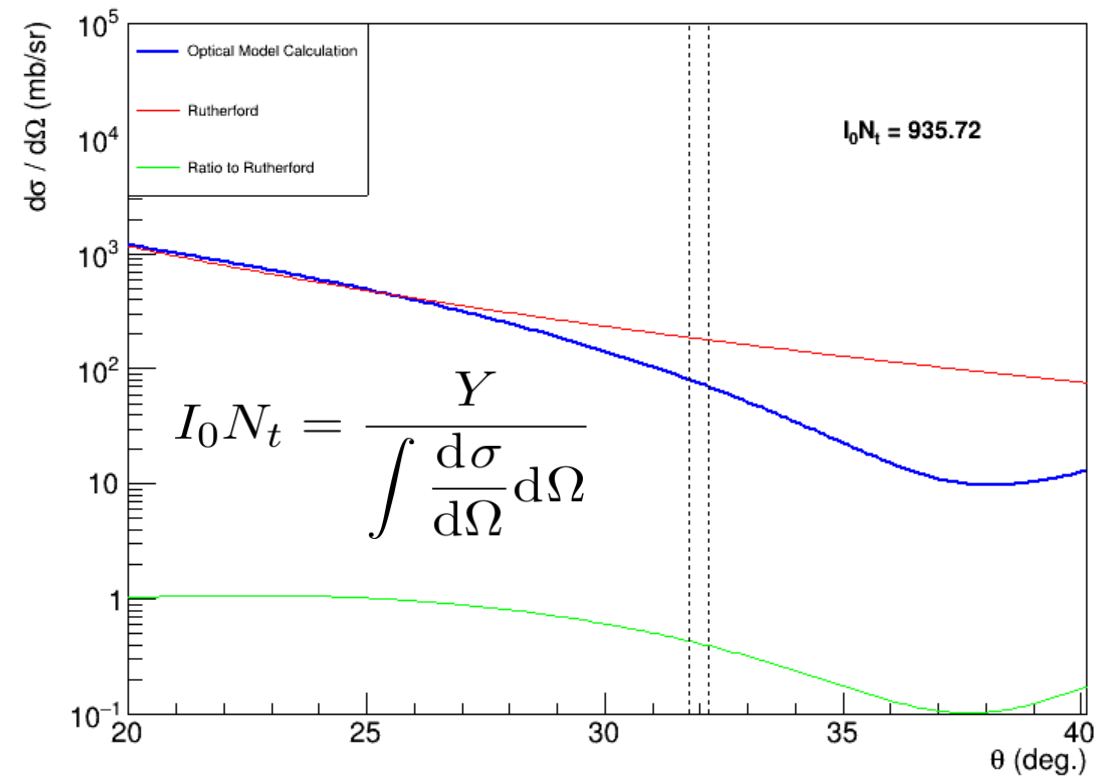
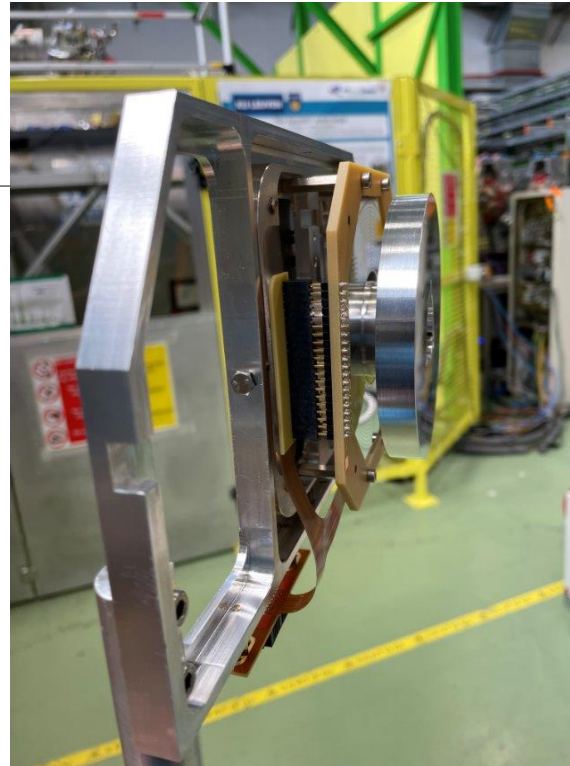
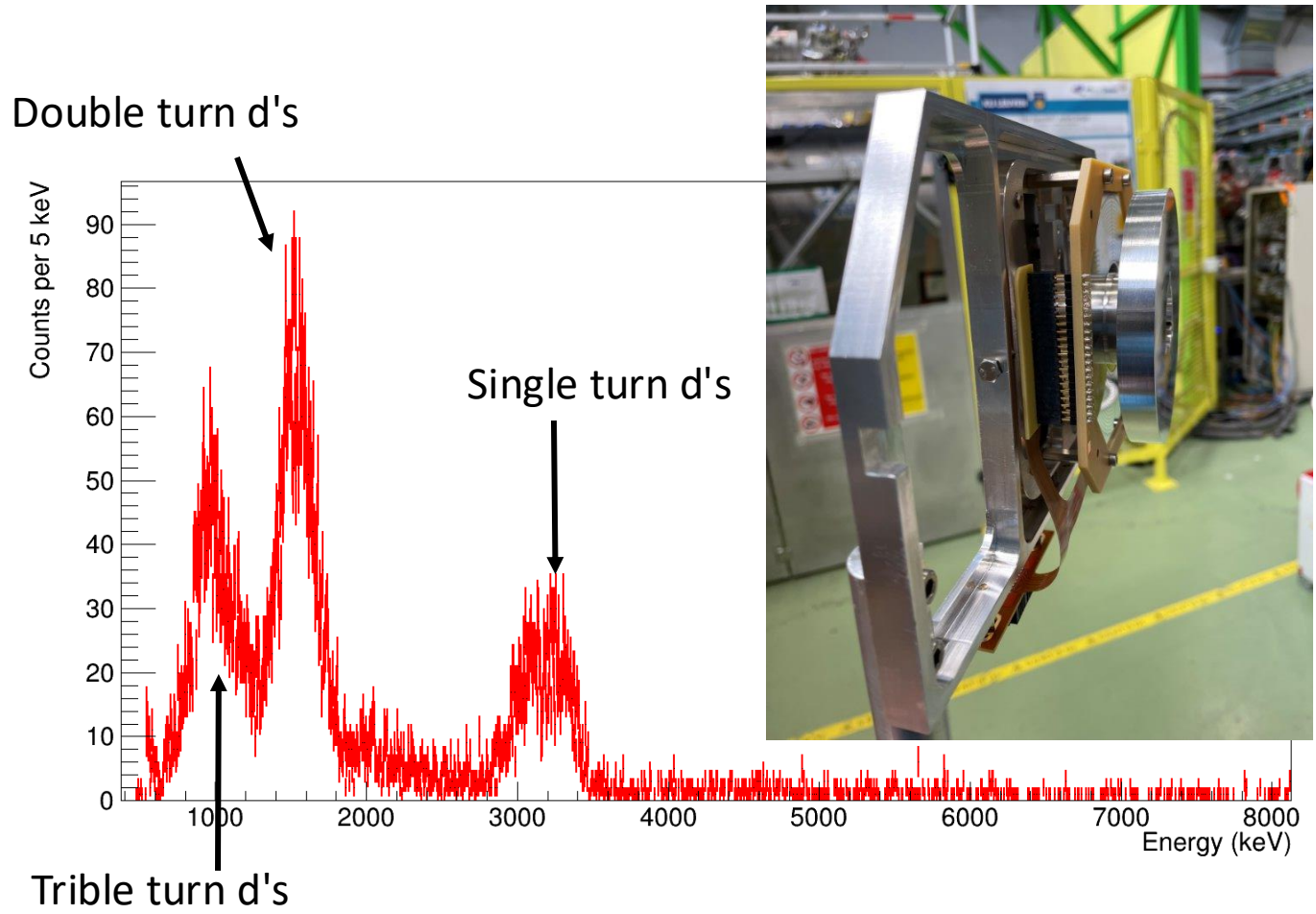
Excitation energy

- Time-random subtraction then gives even better signal-background
- Resolution of 100 keV \rightarrow good separation between states



Beam Intensity

- Normalization determined from yield of elastically scattered deuterons



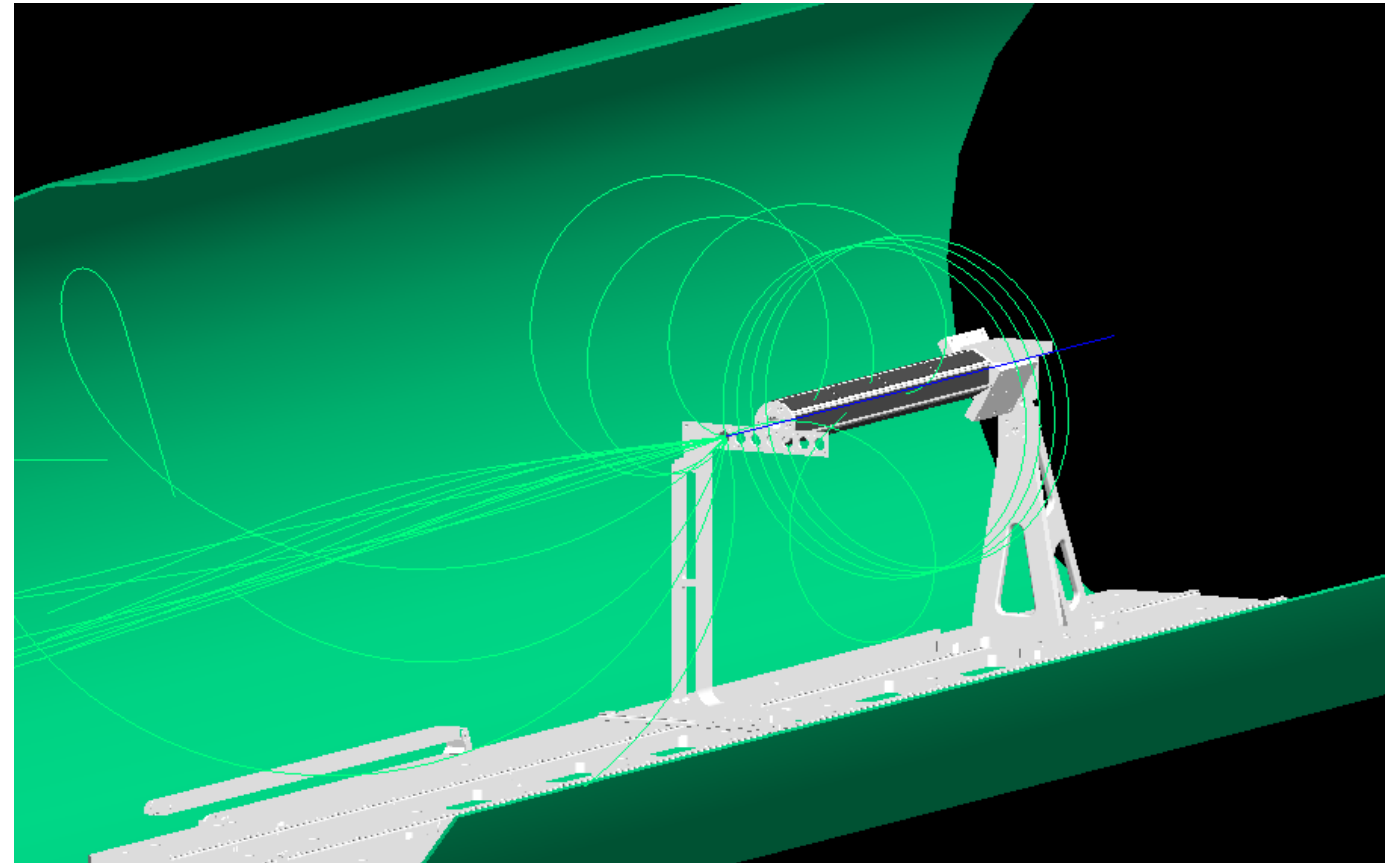
Extracted cross sections

- Cross sections for each can be extracted from the measured yield

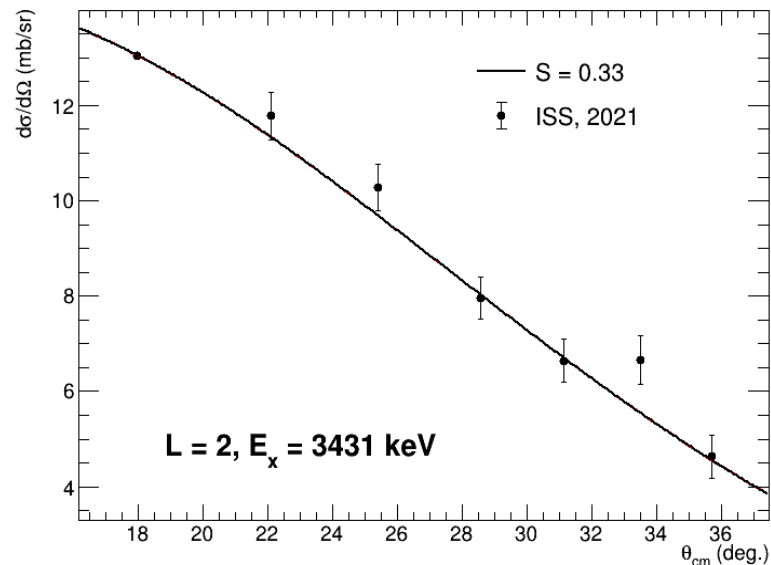
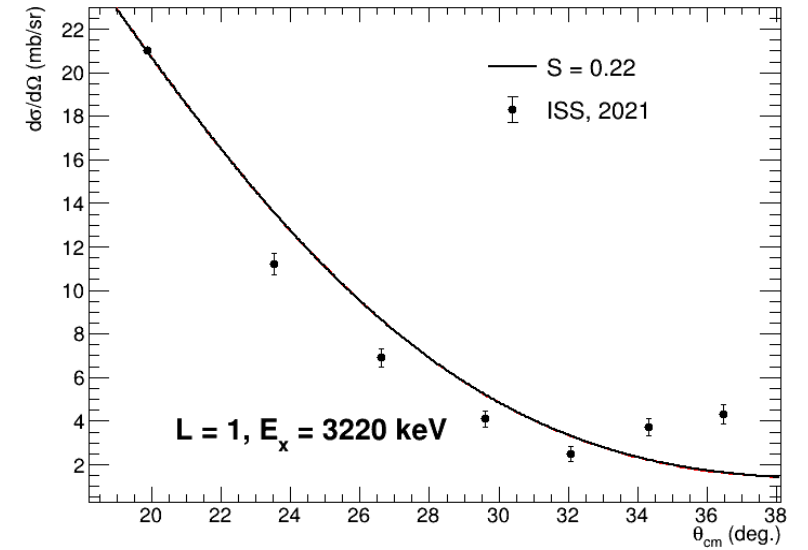
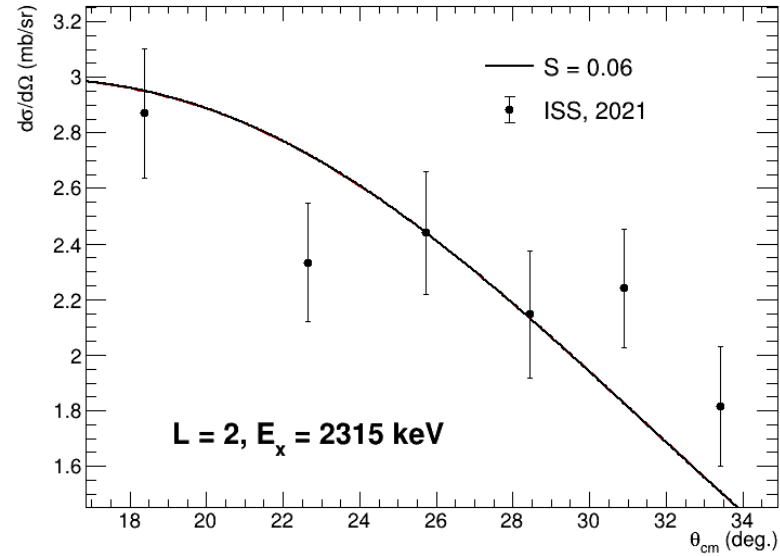
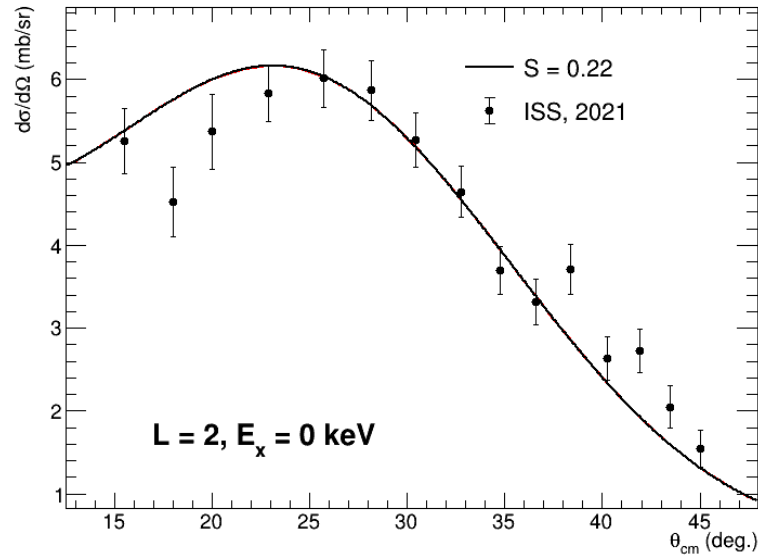
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{Y}{IN_0\Delta\Omega\varepsilon}$$



- Geometric efficiency from blocked trajectories determined using a Geant4 simulation
- Solid angle coverage is 94% in θ and 70% in ϕ



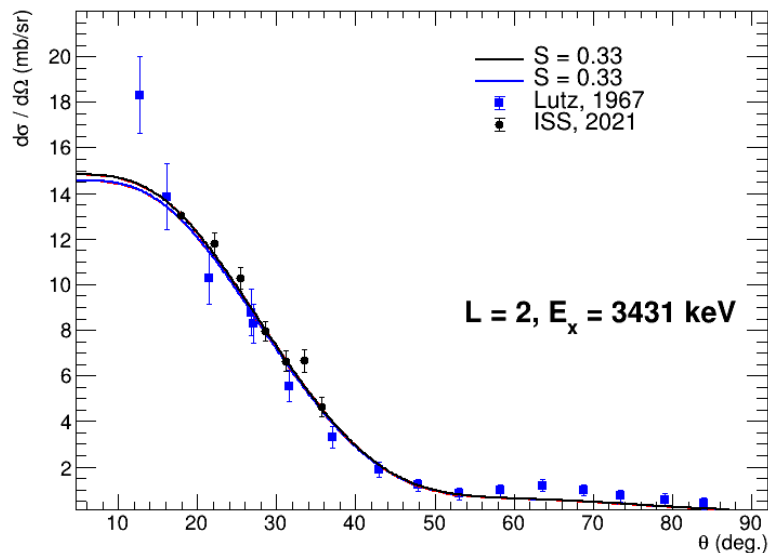
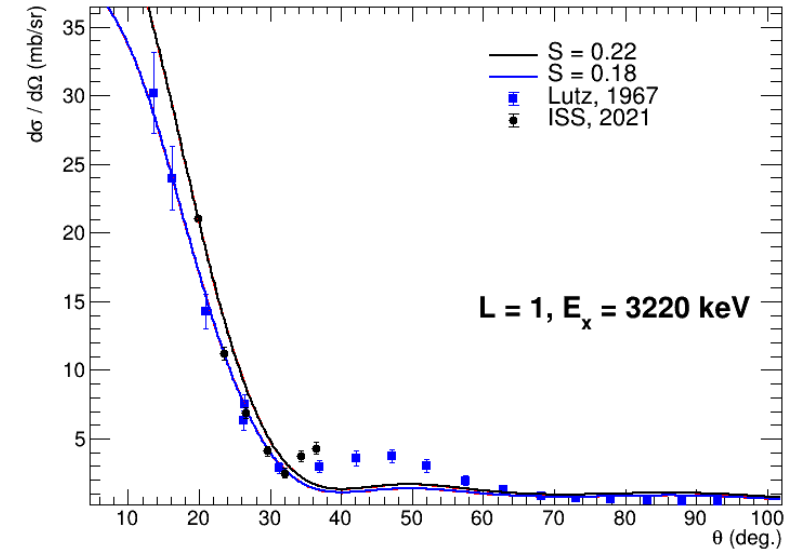
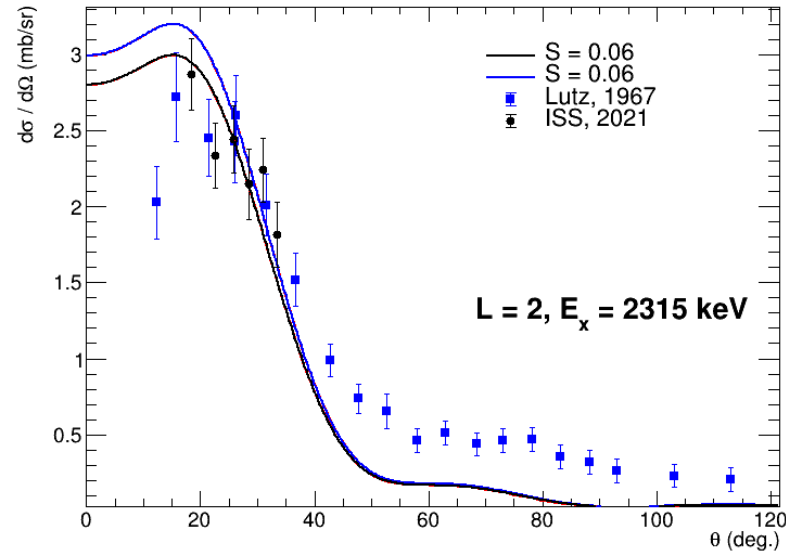
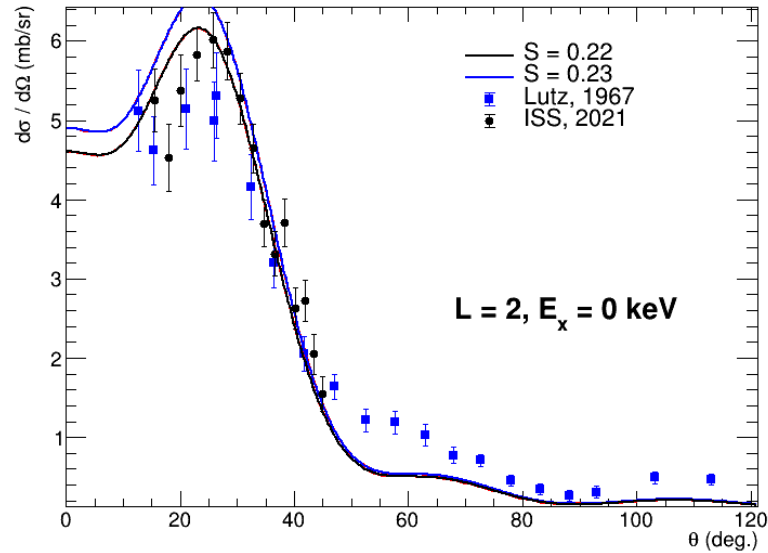
Extracted cross sections



- Spectroscopic factors extracted from DWBA fit using the Ptolemy reaction code

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{exp} = S \left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} \right)_{DWBA}$$

Extracted cross sections



- Measured cross sections and spectroscopic factors are similar for the ISS experiment and the experiment performed in normal kinematics by Lutz et al.
- Provides confidence in measurements performed on exotic nuclei

Thanks for listening!

Summary and Outlook

- Proof of principle measurement provides confidence in cross sections measured with ISS
- Plans to measure $^{146}\text{Ce}(d,d')$ at ISS to probe octupole collectivity

