

# **Electron scattering and neutrino-less double- $\beta$ decay**

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# electrons for neutrinos?

## as a simulator of neutrino-related nuclear reactions??

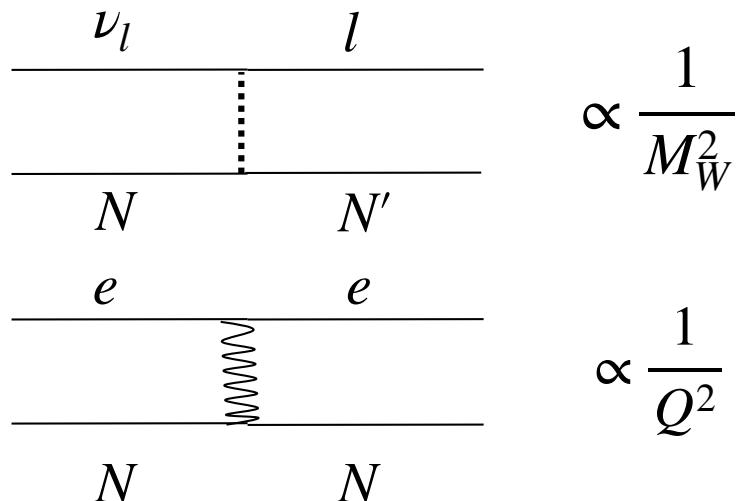
### similar interaction (single boson exchange)

weak current ( vector + axial )

$$J_\mu = g_w \bar{u} \gamma_\mu (1 - \gamma_5) u$$

e.m. current ( vector only )

$$J_\mu^{em} = e \bar{u} \gamma_\mu u$$



$$\propto \frac{1}{M_W^2}$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{Q^2}$$

### similarity of nuclear physics cases (structures)

GT transitions

M1 transitions .....

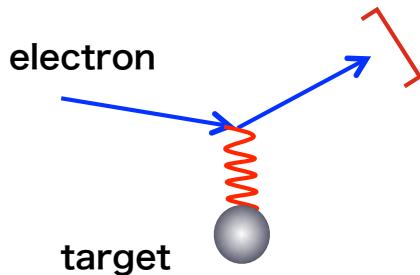
### electron beam

well-controlled beam parameters : energy, current etc..

high intensity  $\sim 10^{15}$  /s ( $\sim 100$  uA)

# electron scattering

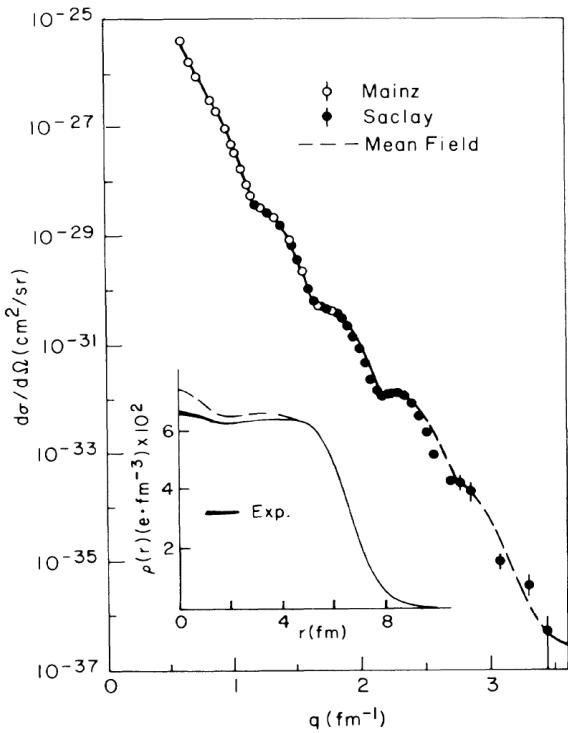
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1. elementary particle
  2. electro-weak interaction
  3. “relatively” weak
- structure-less -
  - best understood -
  - probing whole volume -

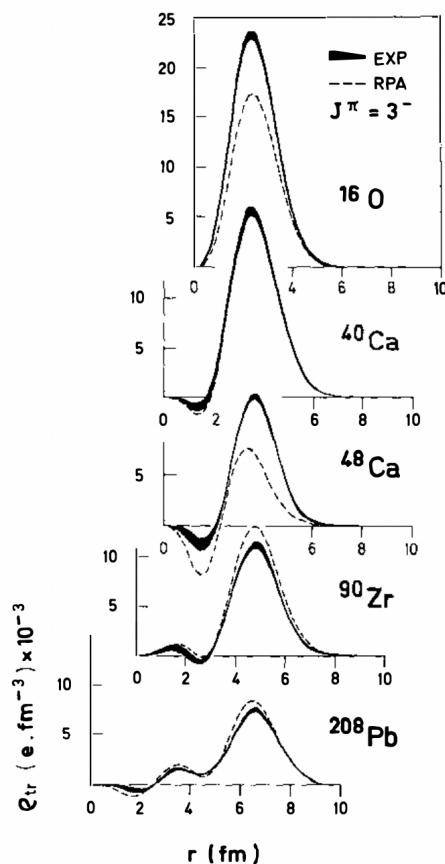
*elastic -> charge densities*

*ground-state w.f.*



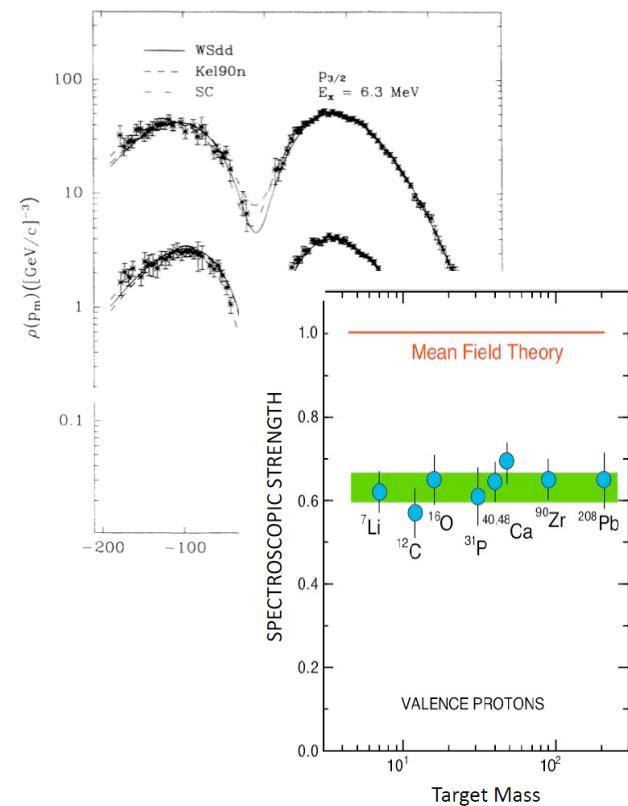
*inelastic-> transition densities*

*excited-state w.f.*



*quasifree -> single particle*

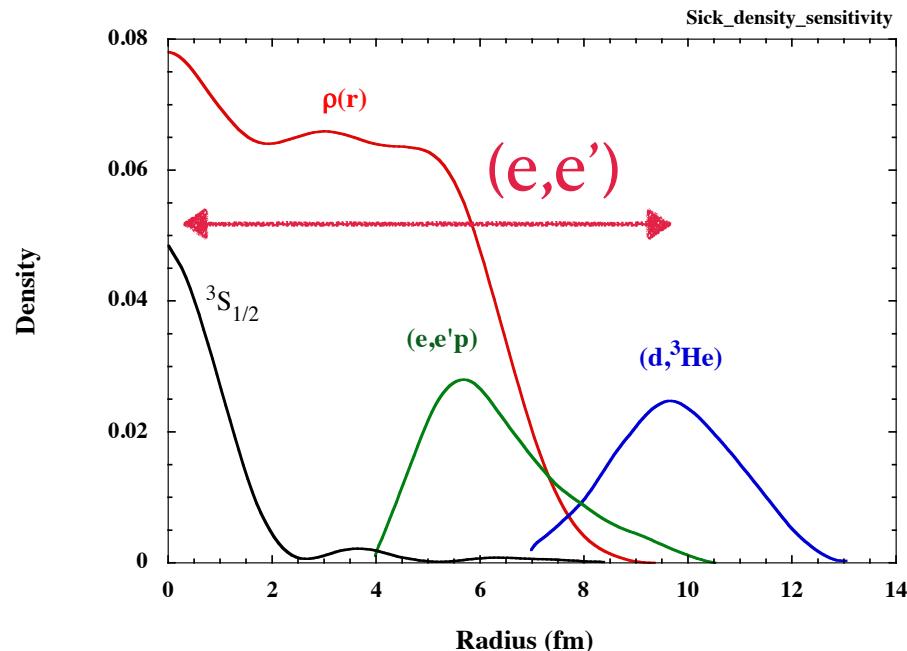
*single particle w.f.  
S factor*



# Spectroscopic factor by (e,e'), (e,e'p)

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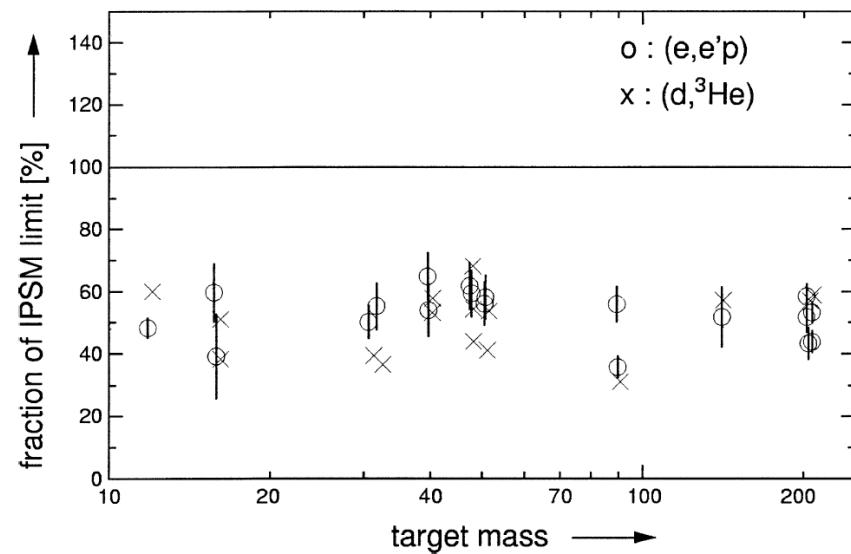
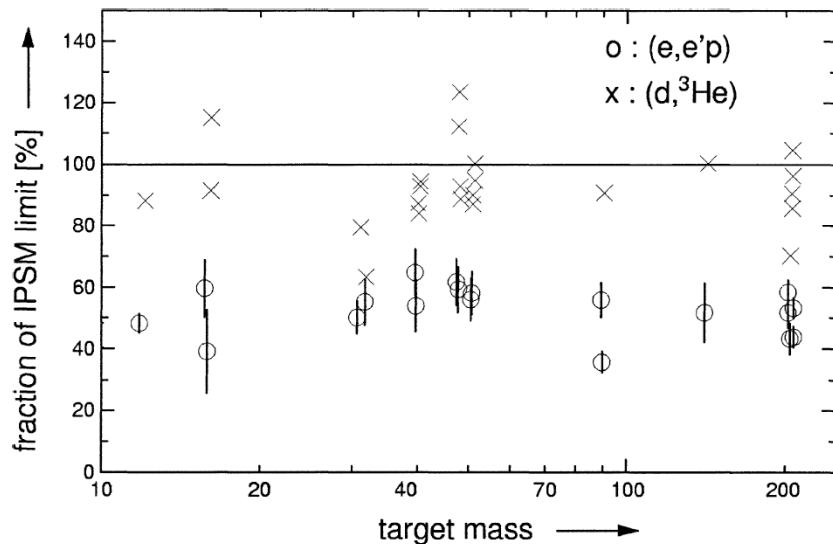
- 1) elastic (e,e')
- 2) quasi elastic (e,e'p)
- 3) (d,  ${}^3\text{He}$ ) etc.



$(\text{d},{}^3\text{He})$ 反応: 核表面のみに感度

電子散乱: 波動関数  $\Rightarrow$   $(\text{d},{}^3\text{He})$ 反応測定結果を再解析

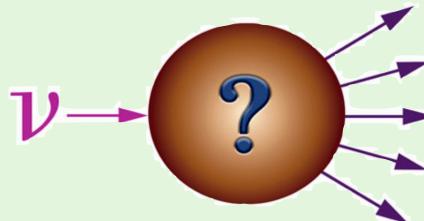
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## GeV electrons for neutrinos @ JLab

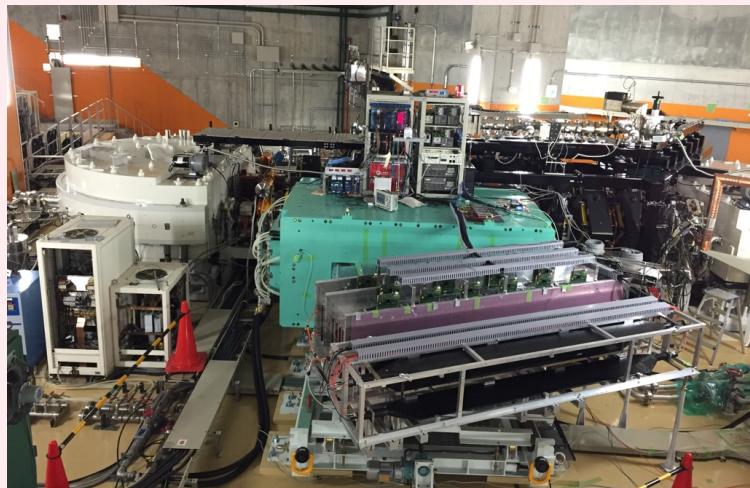


## Low-energy electrons for neutrinos??

### SCRIT facility@RIKEN

$E_e = 150 - 300 \text{ MeV}$

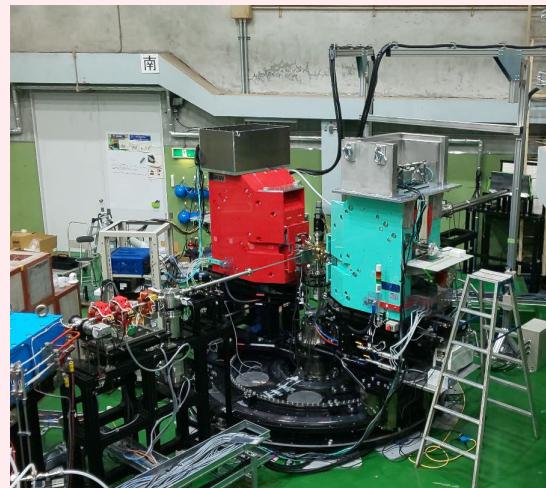
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### ULQ2 facility@Tohoku

$E_e = 10 - 60 \text{ MeV}$

lowest-ever  $E_e$



### new SC linac ?

$E_e \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$

良質な低エネルギー電子ビーム  
基礎研究、応用研究

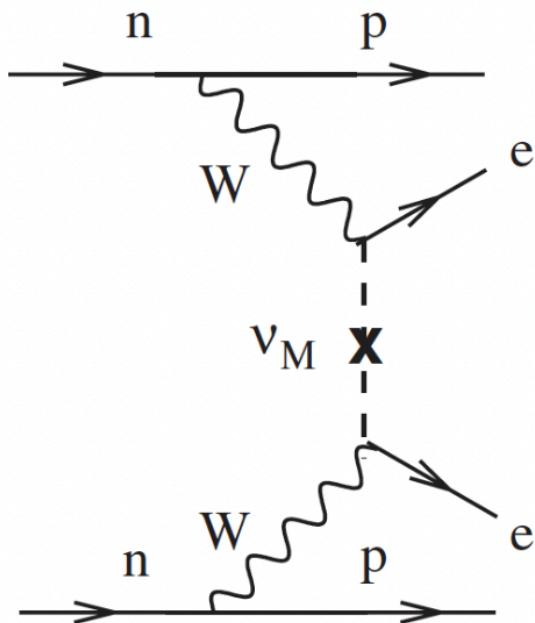
独 : MESA  $E_e = 155 \text{ MeV}$

high-Tc SC (Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn) 加速管

開発競争 :

日本、中国、米国、欧州

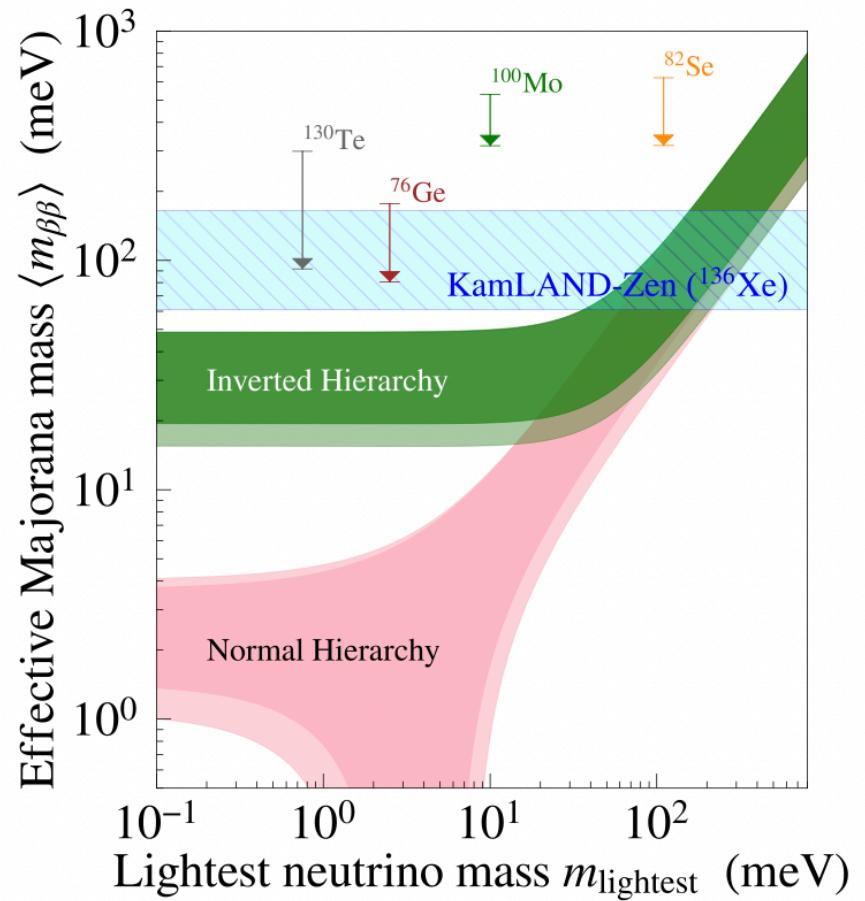
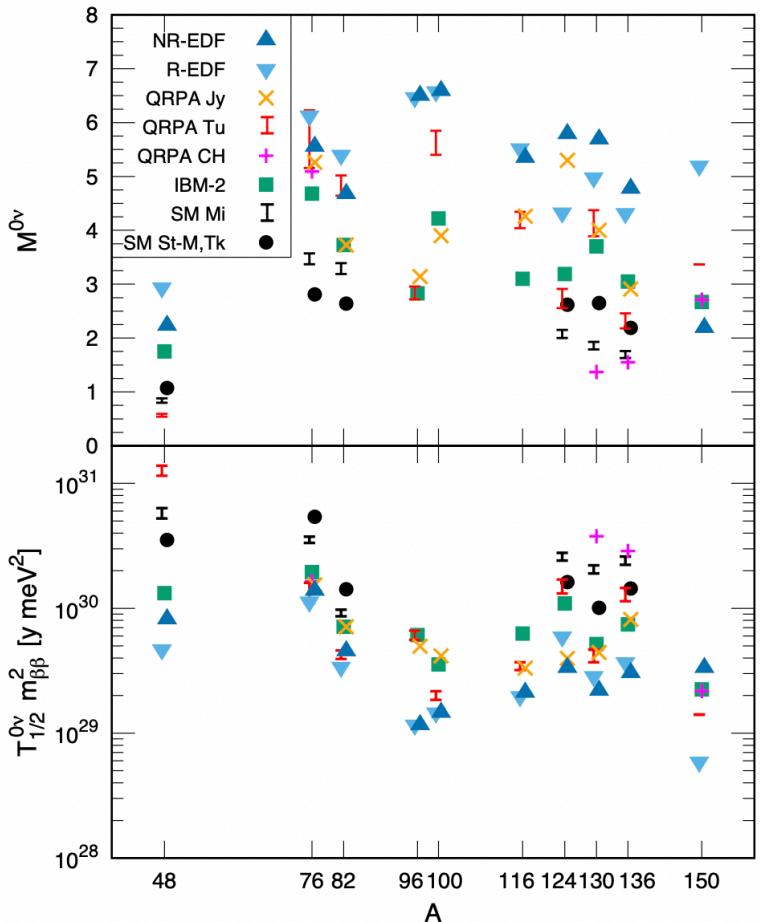
# neutrino-less double $\beta$ decay



# 0ν2β decay process

- Majorana nature of neutrino
- neutrino mass hierarchy

$$(T_{1/2}^{0\nu})^{-1} = G_{0\nu}(Q_{\beta\beta}, Z) |M_{0\nu}|^2 < m_{\beta\beta} >^2$$



# electrons for neutrinos?

# possible contribution of e-scattering

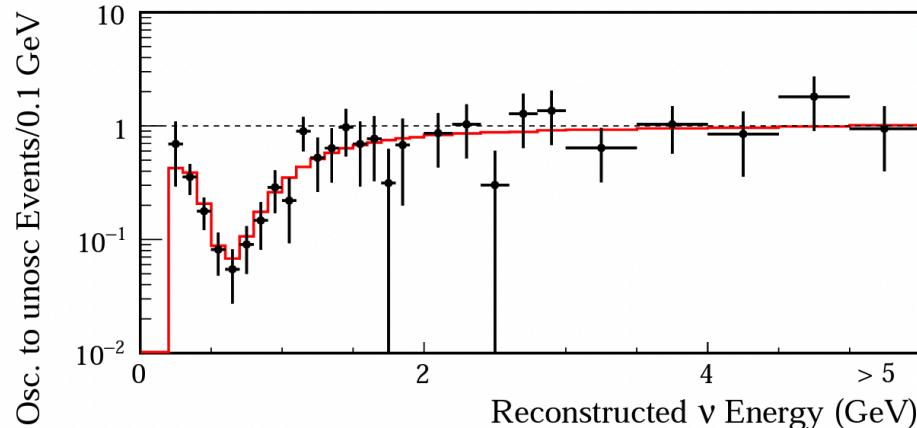
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JLab

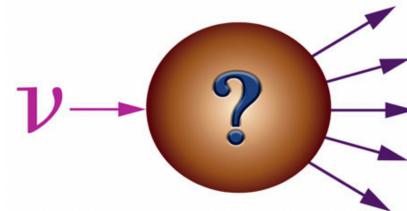
nuclear responses for GeV  $\nu$



$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = \sin^2(2\theta_{23}) \times \sin^2\left(\frac{\Delta m_{32}^2 L}{4E_\nu}\right)$$



Lawrence Weinstein (Old Dominion Univ.)



T2K : Phys. Rev. D91 072010 (2015)

Low-Ee

a new low-energy electron scattering facility at ELPH, Tohoku : **lowest-ever Ee**  
a new e-scattering facility for exotic nuclei at RIKEN : **world's first**

nuclear physics studies using **low-energy electrons for neutrino-related study**

nuclear matrix element of  $0\nu2\beta$  decay

low-neutrino induced nuclear reaction such as  $\nu + {}^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow X$

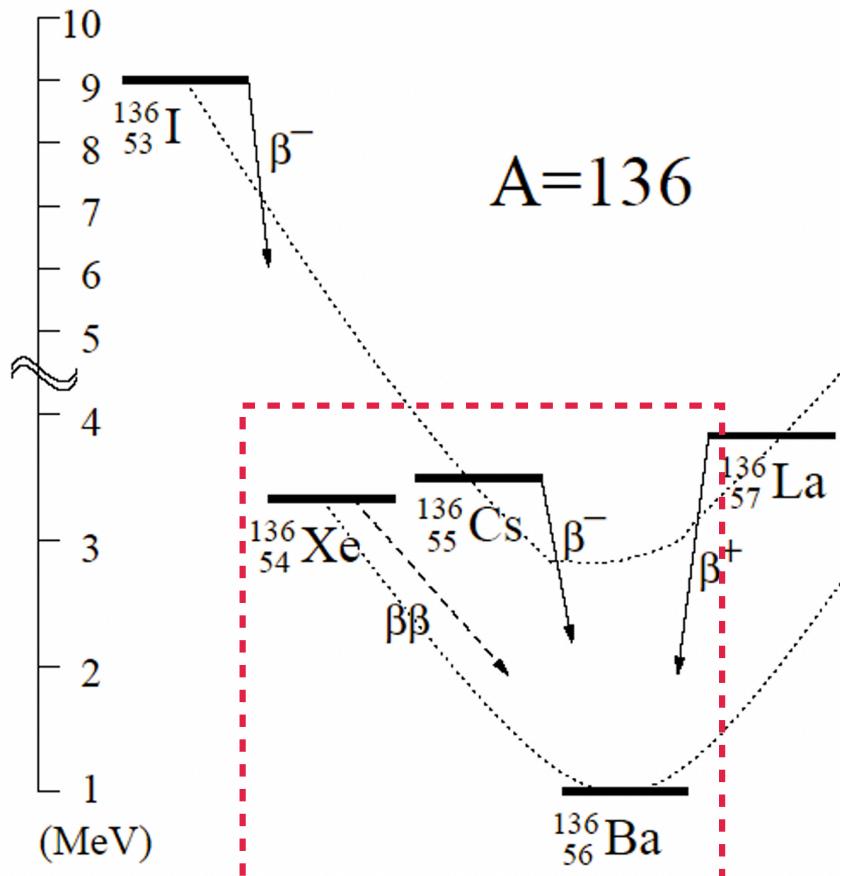
# nuclear matrix elements

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$$(T_{1/2}^{0\nu})^{-1} = G_{0\nu}(Q_{\beta\beta}, Z) |M_{0\nu}|^2 \langle m_{\beta\beta} \rangle^2$$

$$M_{0\nu} \propto \sum_n \left[ \frac{\langle f | J_L^\mu(x) | n \rangle \langle n | J_L^\nu(x) | i \rangle}{\text{energy denominator}} + \frac{\langle f | J_L^\nu(x) | n \rangle \langle n | J_L^\mu(x) | i \rangle}{\text{energy denominator}} \right]$$

$J$  : charge changing hadronic current  $\propto \sigma \cdot \tau$



## NME and electron scattering



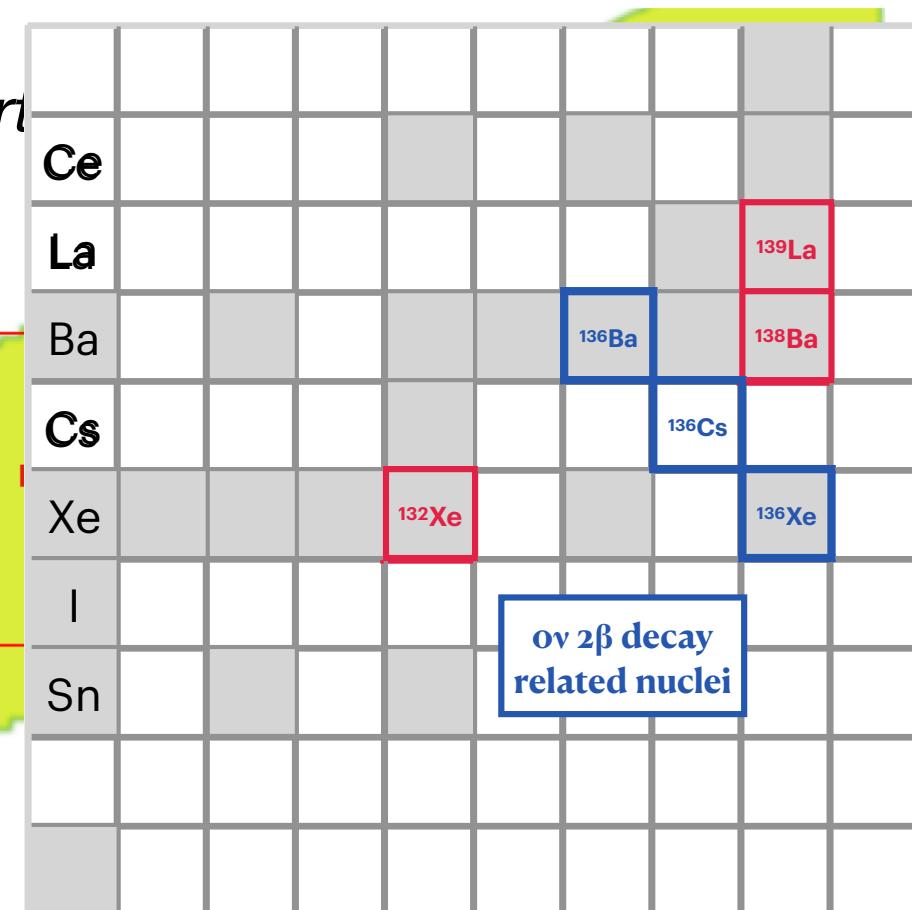
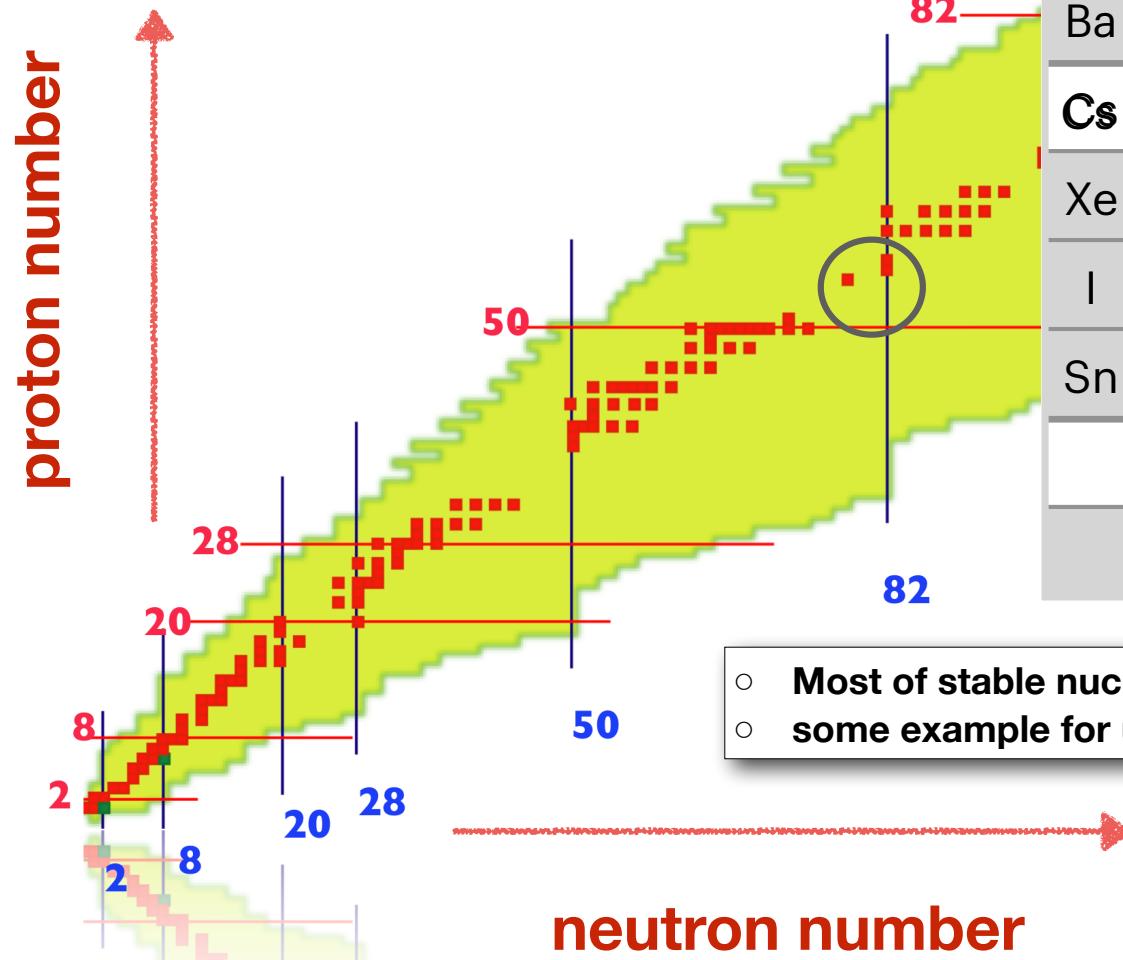
1. their charge density distributions
2. transition densities
3. M1 transition strength

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# Low-energy electron-scattering facilities

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## SCRIT @ RIKEN/RIBF

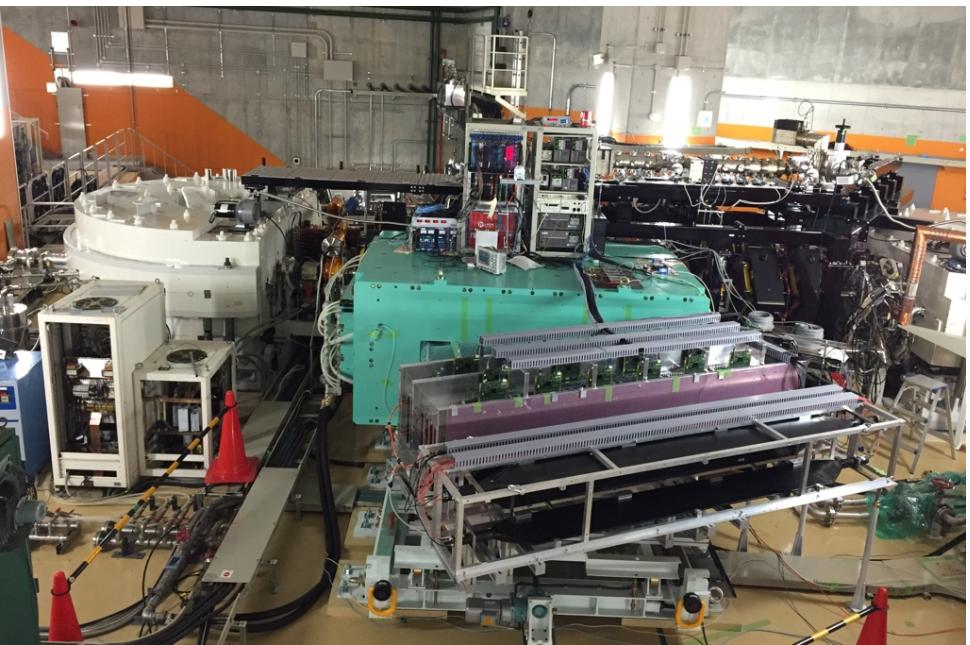
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SCRIT : Self-Confining RI-Ion Target  
e-scattering off exotic nuclei

$E_e = 150 - 300 \text{ MeV}$

$\theta = 30 - 60 \text{ deg.}$

$q = 78 - 300 \text{ MeV/c}$



## ULQ2 @Tohoku

lowest-ever  $E_e$

ULQ2 : Ultra-Low Q<sub>2</sub>

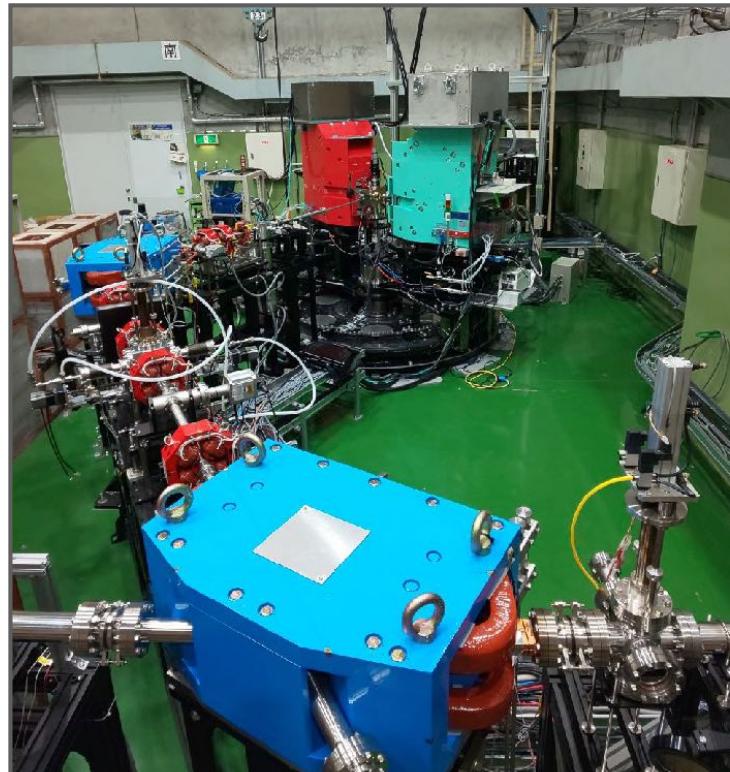
Proton Charge Radius  
neutron-distribution radius of nuclei

$E_e = 10 - 60 \text{ MeV}$

$\theta = 30 - 150 \text{ deg.}$

$q = 5 - 116 \text{ MeV/c}$

Twin spectrometers



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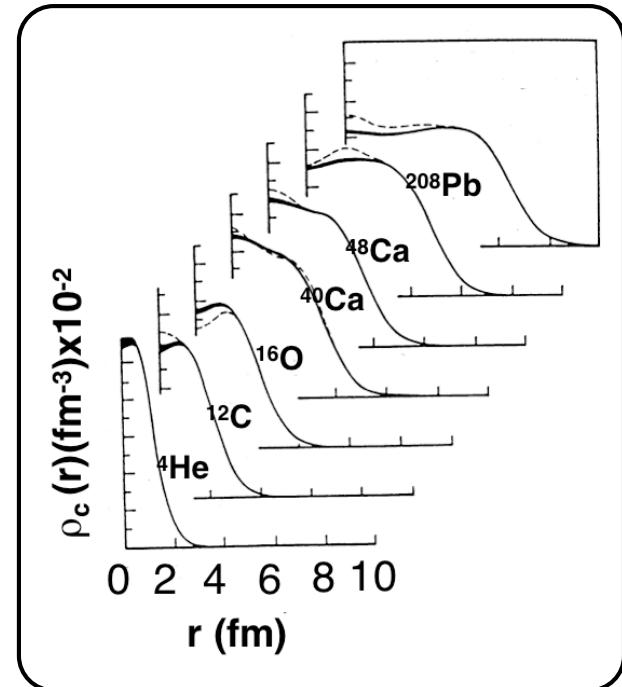
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## 1 ) charge densities of short-lived nuclei

world's first !

SCRIT facility

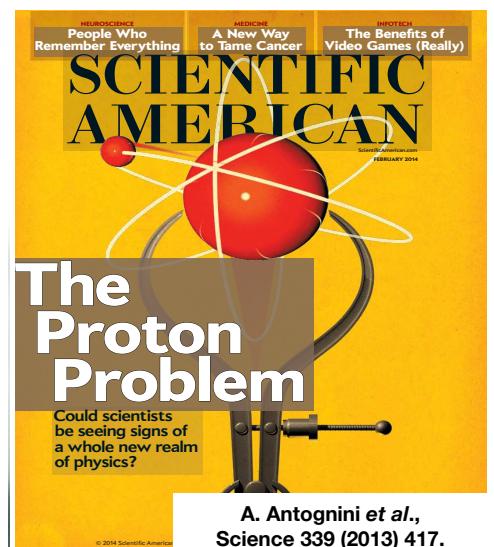
e-scattering facility ( $E_e = 150 - 300$  MeV)  
dedicated for short-lived exotic nuclei



## 2 ) proton charge radius

lowest-ever  $Q^2$

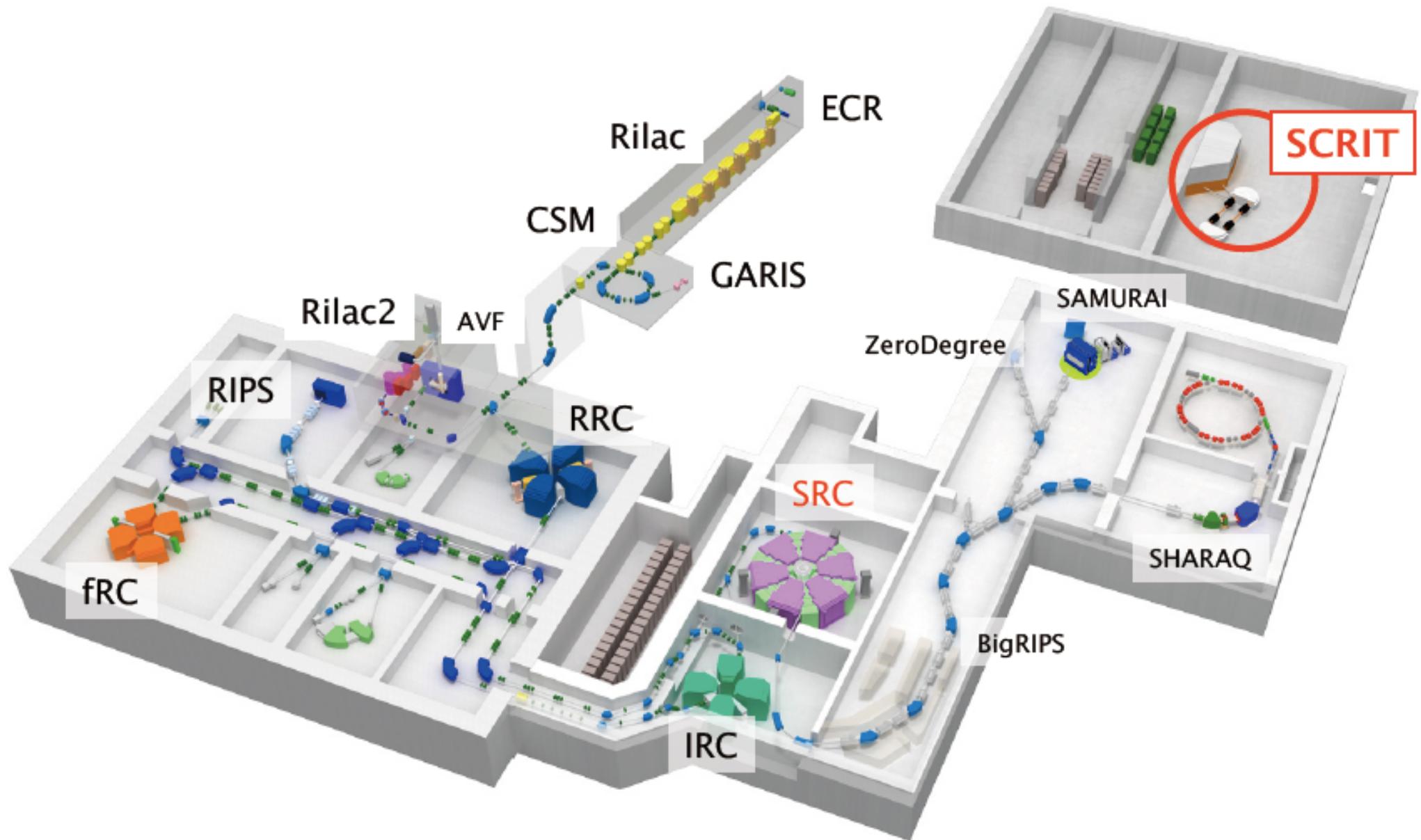
low-energy electron scattering  
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# **SCRIT @ RIKEN/RIBF**

# RIKEN RI Beam Factory (RIBF)

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# RIKEN SCRIT Electron Scattering Facility

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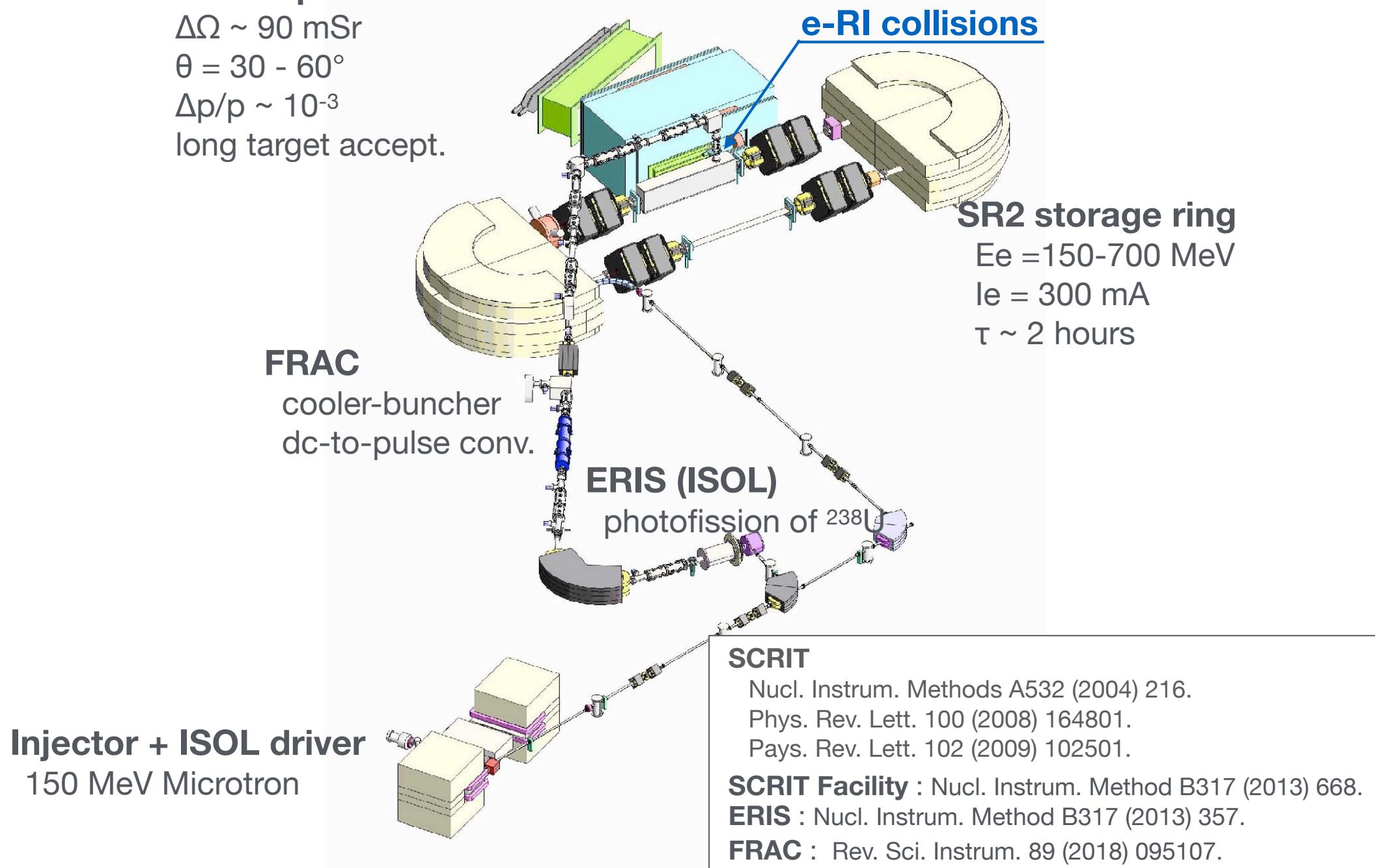
## WiSES spectrometer

$\Delta\Omega \sim 90$  mSr

$\theta = 30 - 60^\circ$

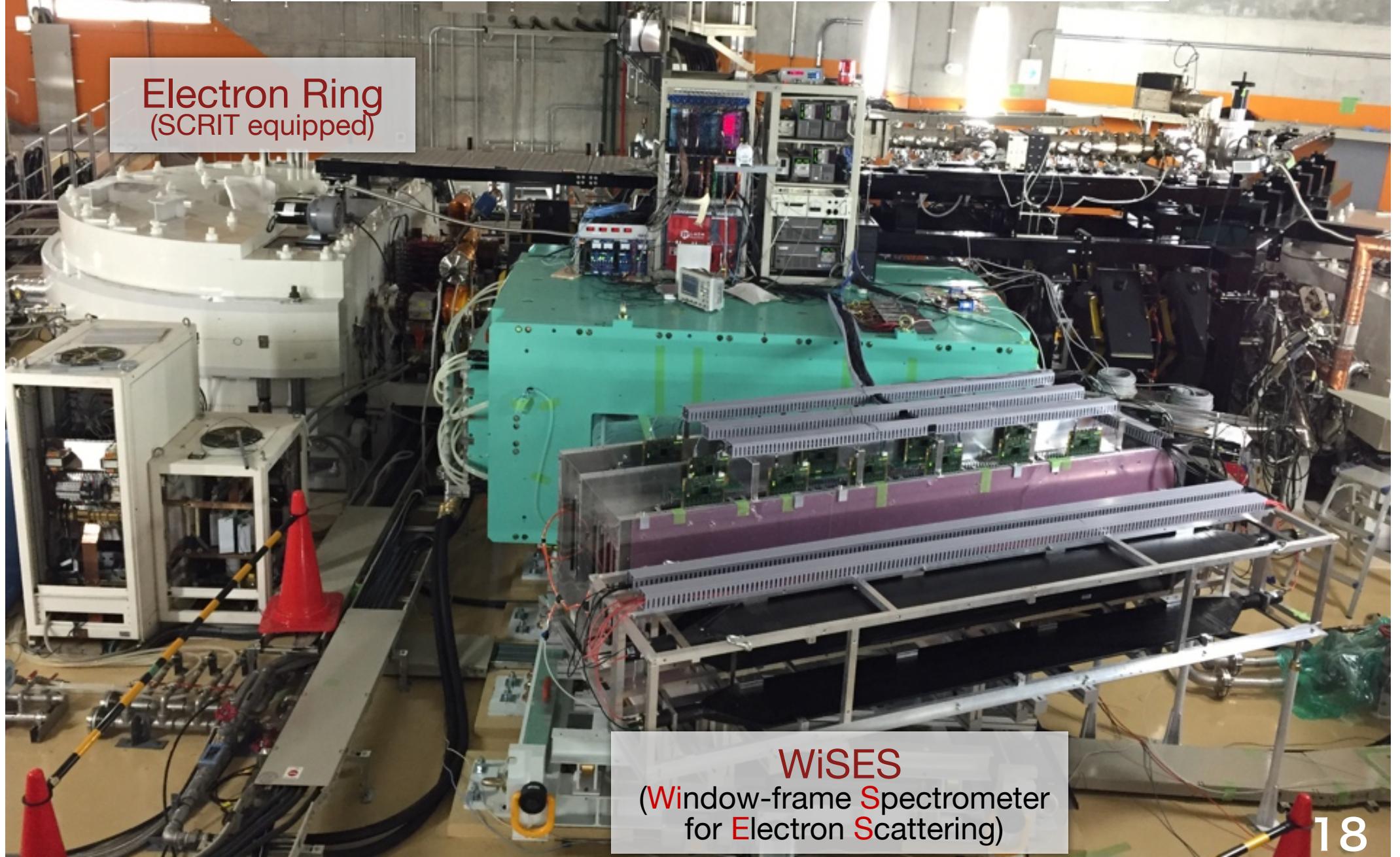
$\Delta p/p \sim 10^{-3}$

long target accept.



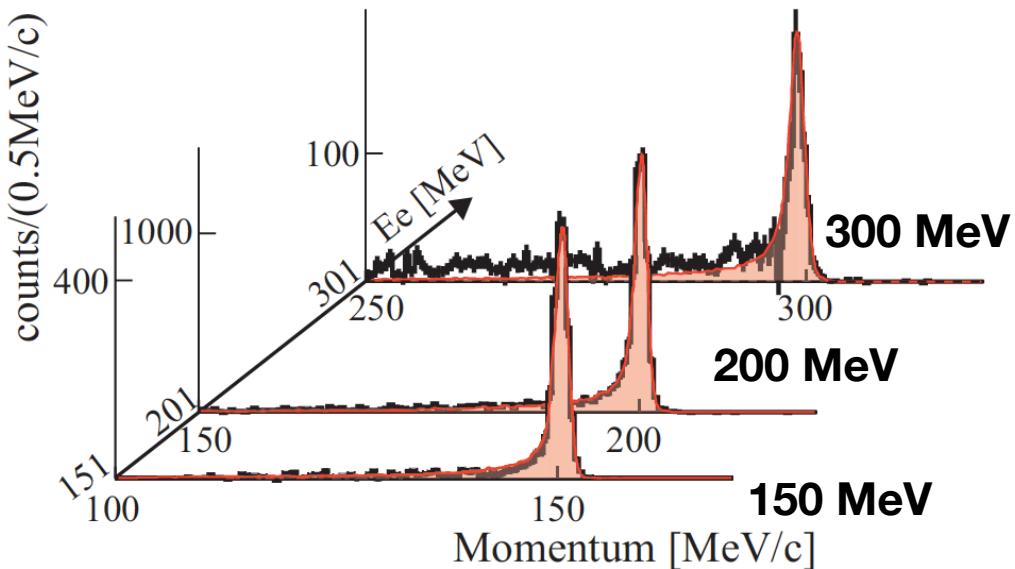
# RIKEN SCRIT Electron Scattering Facility

Electron Ring  
(SCRIT equipped)



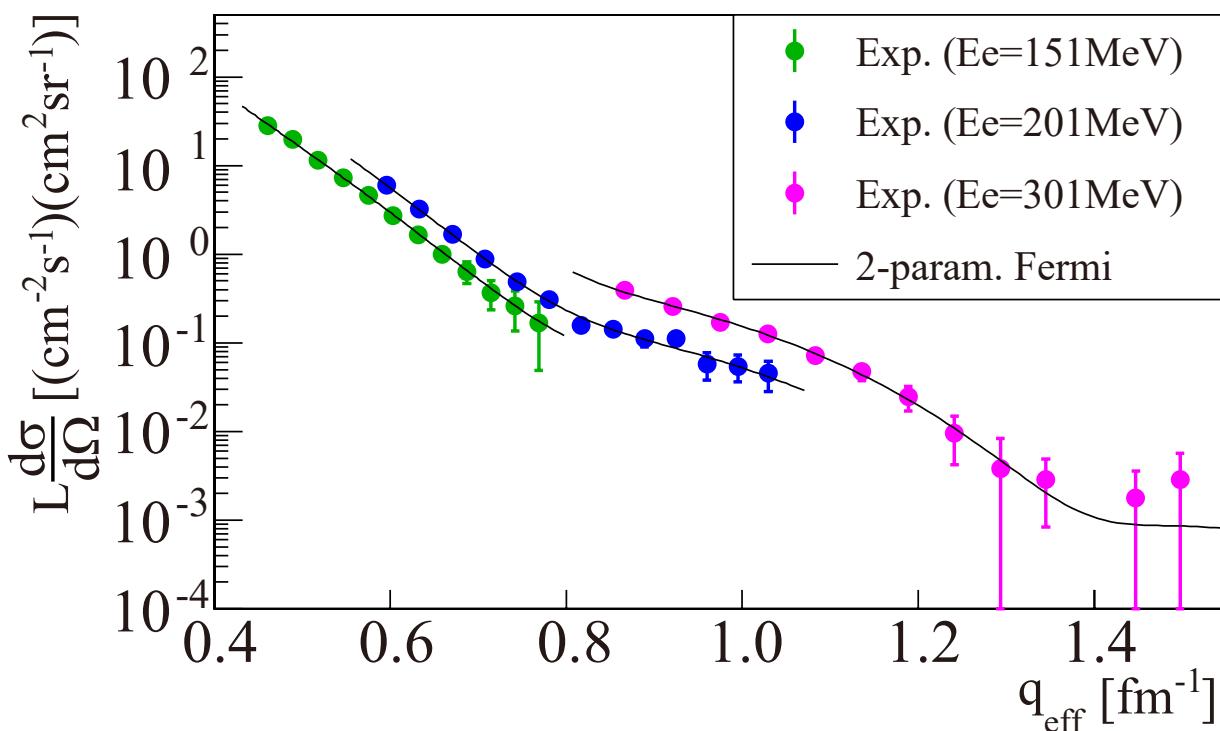
WiSES  
(Window-frame Spectrometer  
for Electron Scattering)

# Example : $^{132}\text{Xe}(e,e')$



K. Tsukada et al.,  
PRL 118 (2017) 262501.

$N_{\text{trapped}} \sim 10^8 @ I_e = 250 \text{ mA}$   
 $\Rightarrow L \sim 10^{27} / \text{cm}^2/\text{s}$



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{d\sigma_{Mott}}{d\Omega} |F_c(q)|^2$$

$$F_c(\vec{q}) = \int \rho(\vec{r}) e^{-i\vec{q}\cdot\vec{r}} d\vec{r}$$

$$\rho(r) = \sum_{i=1}^Z |\phi_i(r)|^2$$

# Luminosity of the SCRIT facility

	$E_e$	$N_{beam}$	target thickness	$L$
Hofstadter's era (1950s)	150 MeV	$\sim 1\text{nA}$ ( $\sim 10^9 / \text{s}$ )	$\sim 10^{19} / \text{cm}^2$	$\sim 10^{28} / \text{cm}^2/\text{s}$
JLAB	12 GeV	$\sim 100\mu\text{A}$ ( $\sim 10^{14} / \text{s}$ )	$\sim 10^{22} / \text{cm}^2$	$\sim 10^{36} / \text{cm}^2/\text{s}$
<b>SCRIT</b>	150-300 MeV	300 mA ( $\sim 10^{18} / \text{s}$ )	$\sim 10^9 / \text{cm}^2$	$\sim 10^{27} / \text{cm}^2/\text{s}$

~ $10^7$  trapped ions  
in e-beam of  
~ $1 \text{ mm}^2$

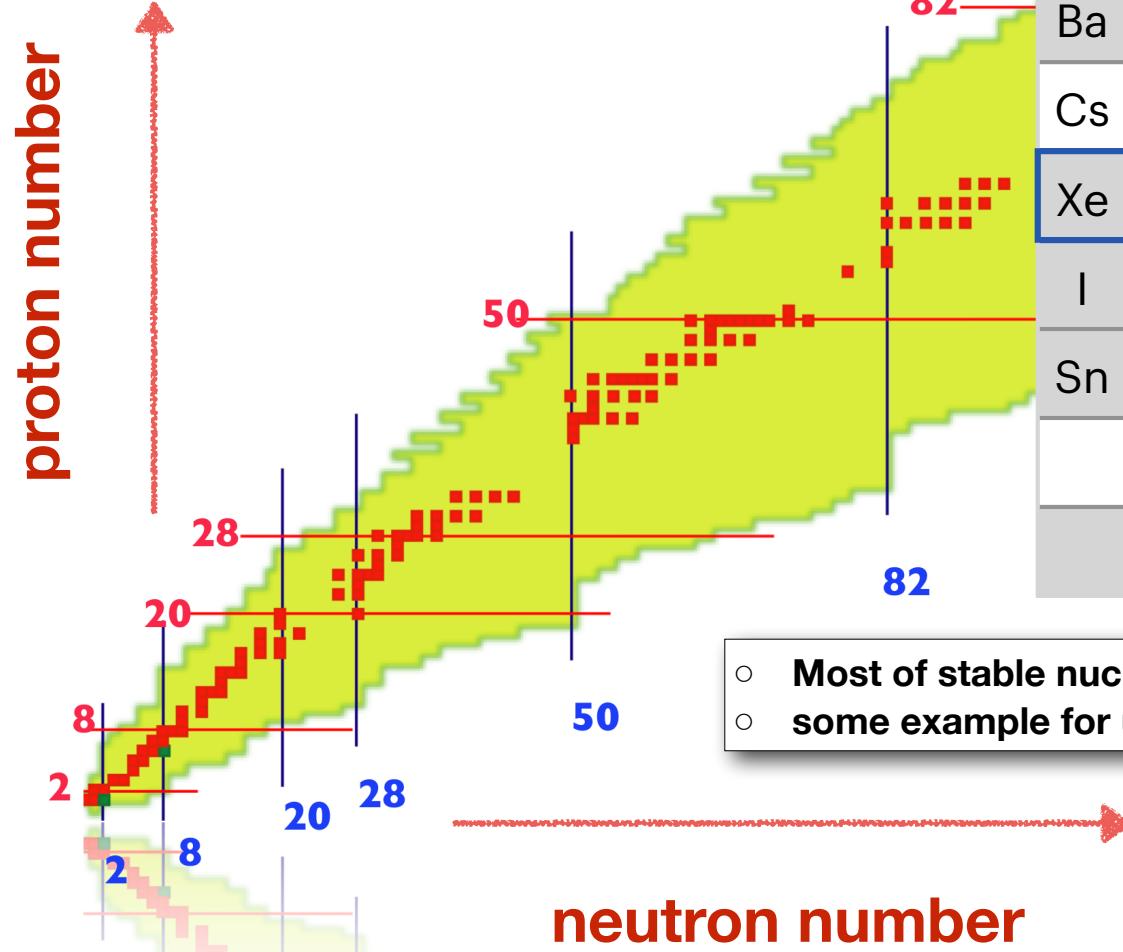
required target thickness ~  $10^{-10} !!$

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