

# *Linear Polarization Properties of Radiative Electron Capture Revealed for Relativistic Projectiles*

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## **Photoeffect, Radiative Electron Capture, and Polarization**

### **Relativistic Quantum Dynamics**

**Polarization Studies of Radiative Capture Transitions: Experiment  
A Diagnostic Tool to Identify Spin-Polarized Ion Beams**

### **Detector Developments**

**Towards Polarization Studies of Inner Shell Transitions in Heavy Ions**

### **Summary and Outlook**

# Motivation

## Polarization Studies for Hard X-Rays

### ***Relativistic Particle Dynamics***

#### ***(free-bound and free-free transitions):***

*Synchrotron Radiation, Inverse Compton scattering*

*Bremsstrahlung, and Recombination* are the main photon processes in plasmas with distinct photon polarization features

- Diagnostic tool to identify *spin polarized particle beams*
- Diagnostic tool to identify *Thomson scattered photons* from laser produced relativistic electron bunches

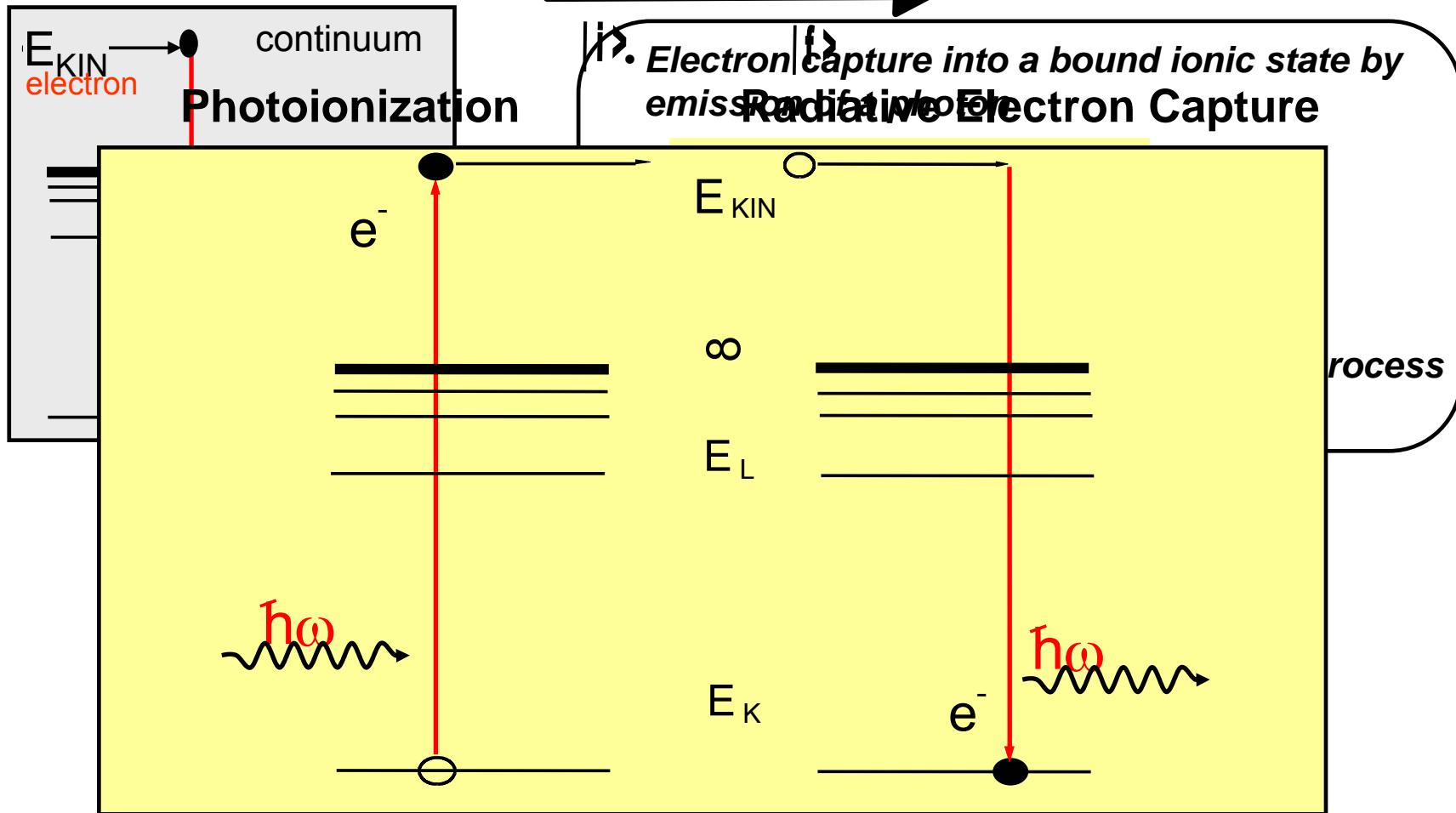
### ***Atomic Structure***

#### ***(bound-bound transitions):***

*Excited states* in heavy ions formed in atomic collisions are usually strongly aligned which translates in a *polarization of the emitted photons*

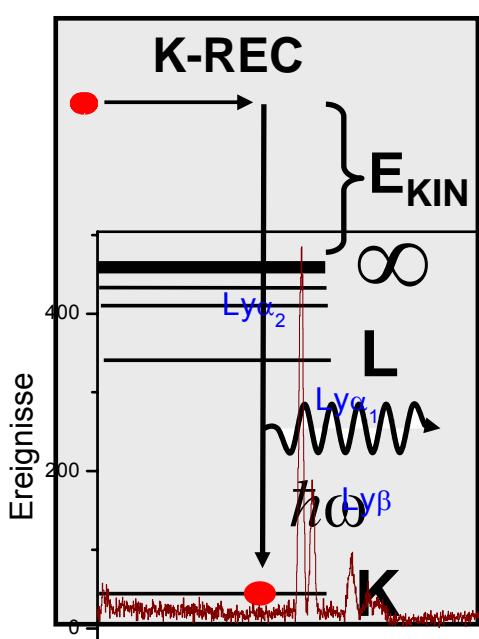
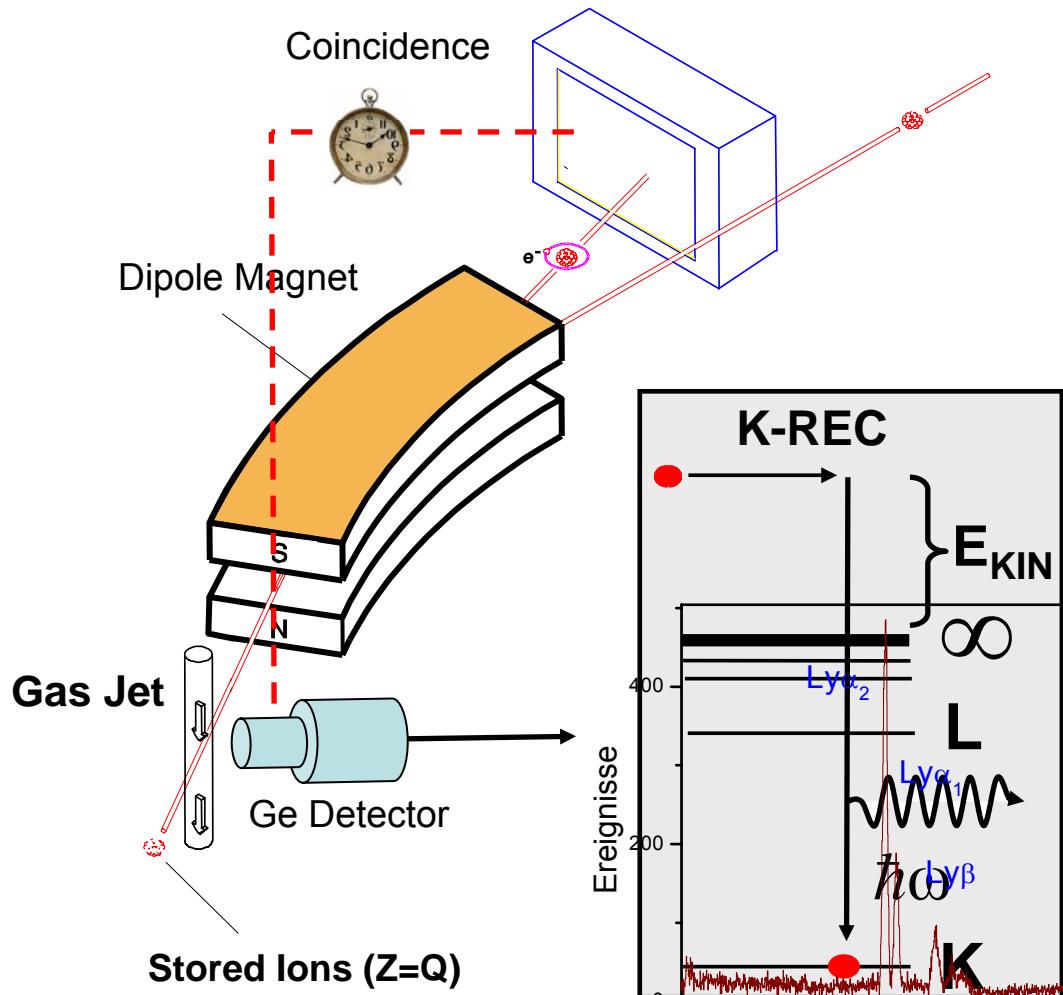
# Relativistic Quantum Dynamics

## Radiative Recombination (RR) / Electron Capture (REC)

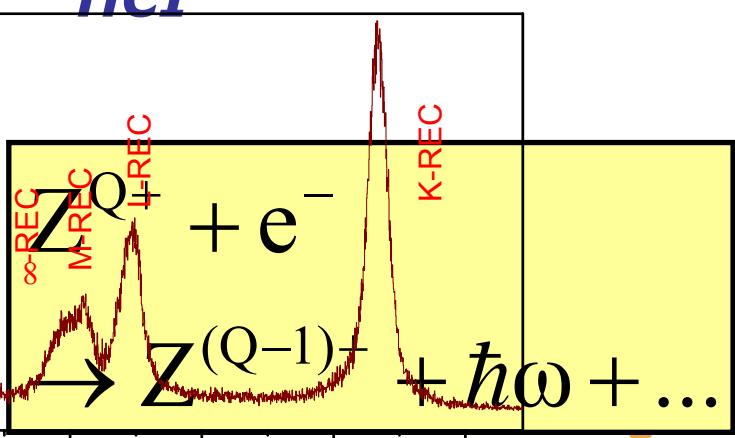


# Experiments at the Jet-Target

Particle Counter  
(MWPC)

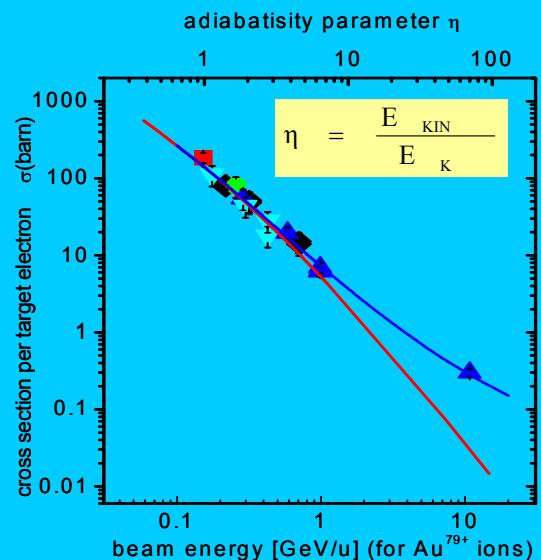


**Electron transfer from the target atom into the HCI**



# Experimental REC Studies

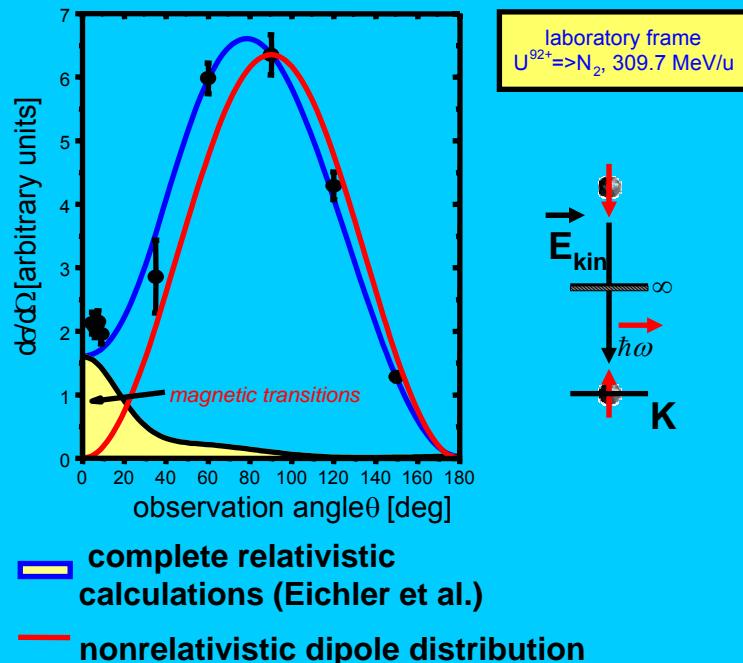
Total REC cross sections for bare ions up to uranium (20 MeV/u – 170 GeV/u)



- complete relativistic calculations for  $\text{Au}^{79+}$  (Eichler et. al)
- dipole approximation

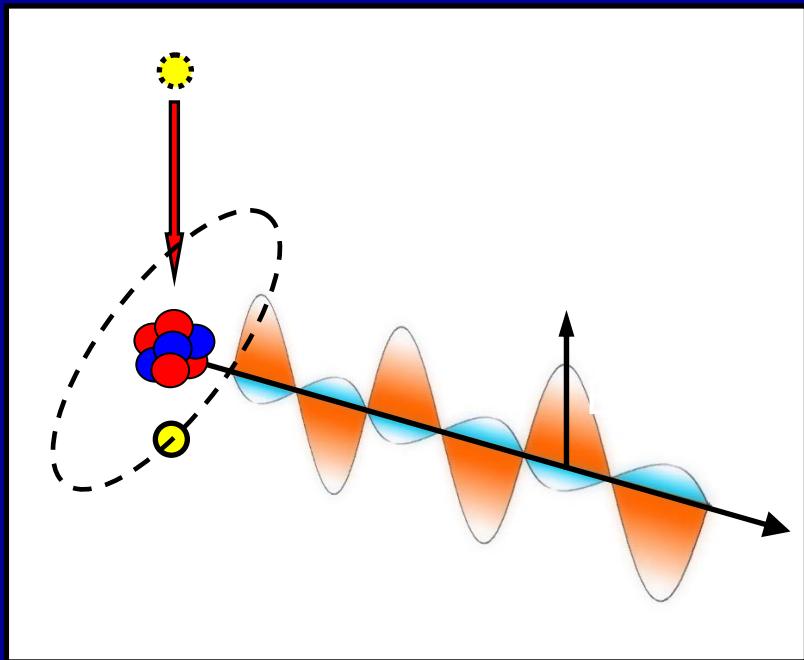
## photon angular distribution studies for REC

*Kinematical Identification of Spin-Flip Transitions from Continuum States into the 1s-Ground State*



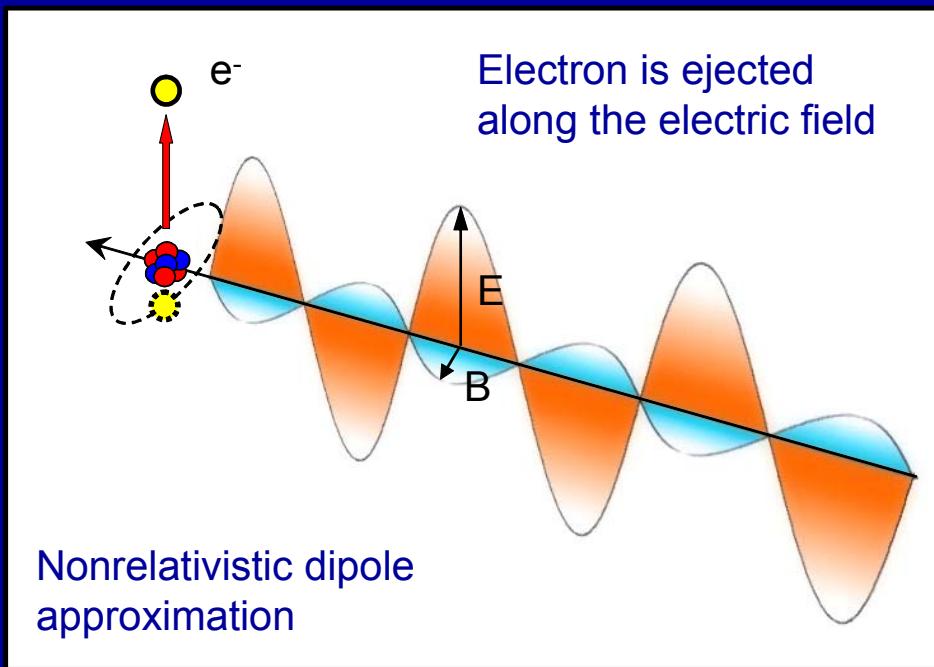
- complete relativistic calculations (Eichler et al.)
- nonrelativistic dipole distribution

# Photon Polarization



Radiative Electron Capture

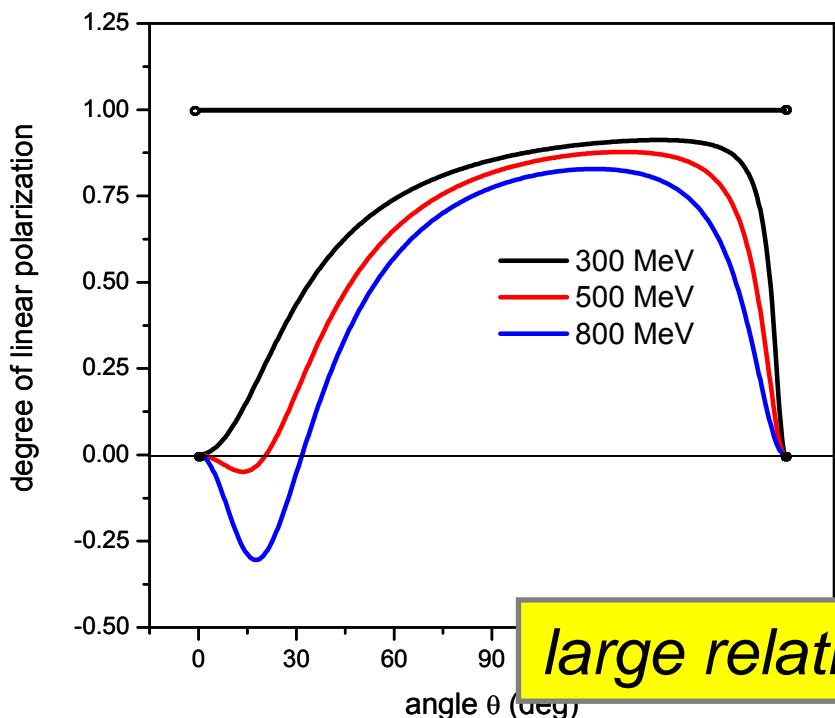
non-relativistic dipole approximation: 100 % polarization for all emission angles



Photoionization

# K-REC Photon Polarization

K-REC into bare uranium ions  
 $(U^{92+} + e^- \Rightarrow U^{91+} + \hbar\omega)$



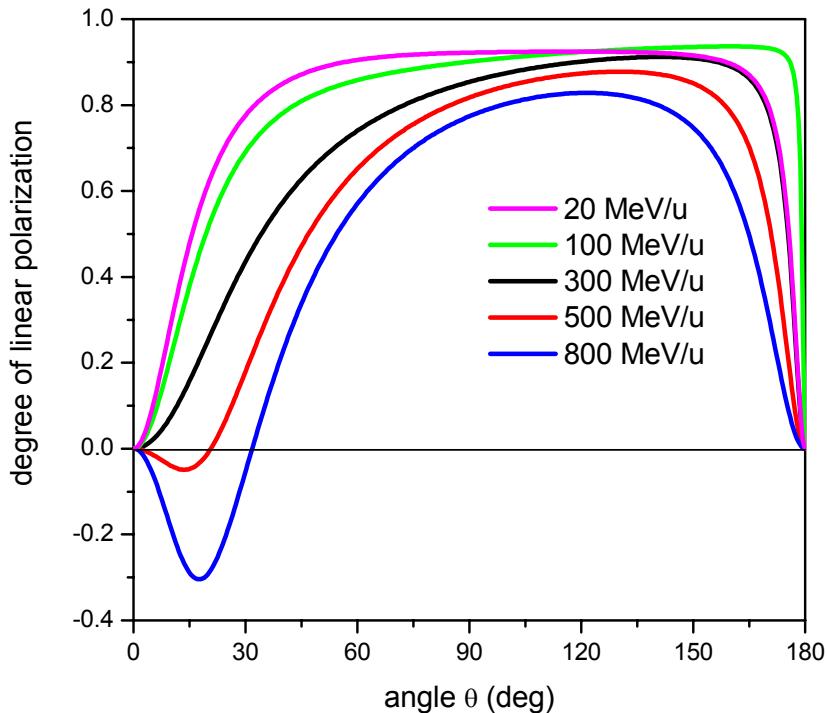
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Eichler et al., PRA, 2001  
Surzykov et al., PRA, 2001

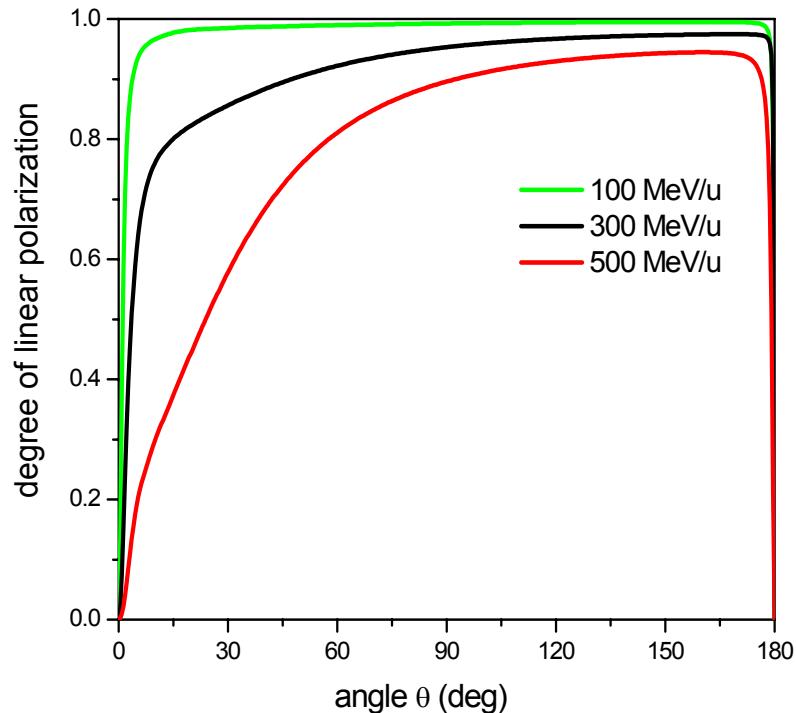
*large relativistic contributions*

# *Energy and Charge Dependence*

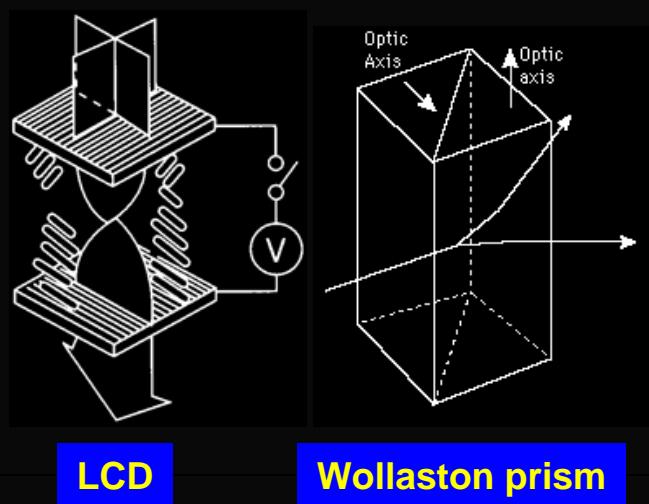
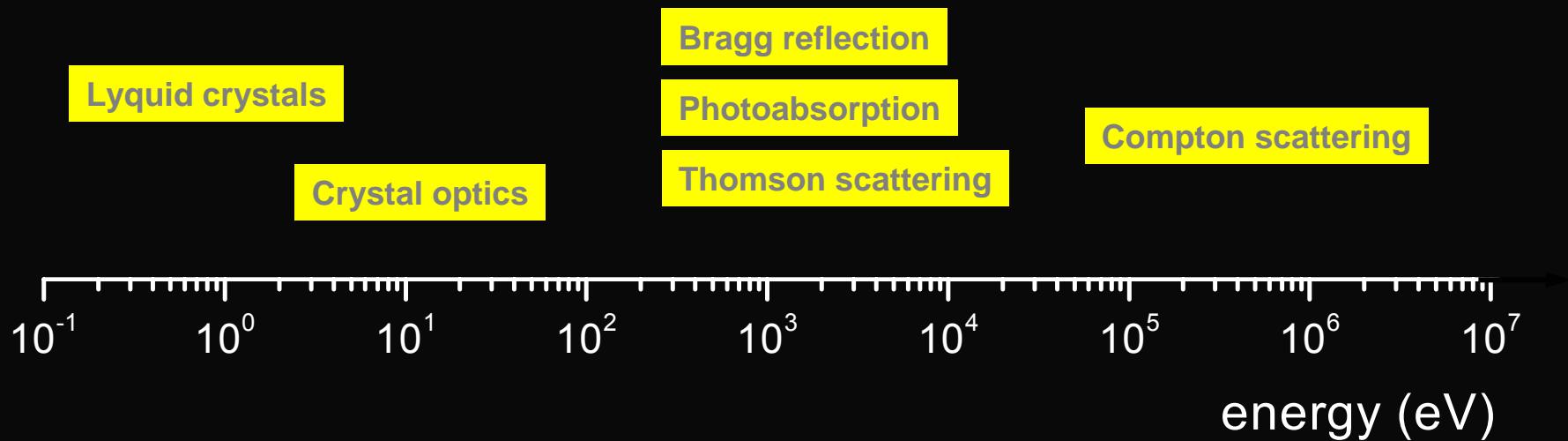
Uranium ( $Z=92$ )



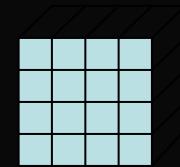
Argon ( $Z=18$ )



# Photon Polarimetry



**Micropattern gas counters**



**CCD cameras**

**x-ray optics**

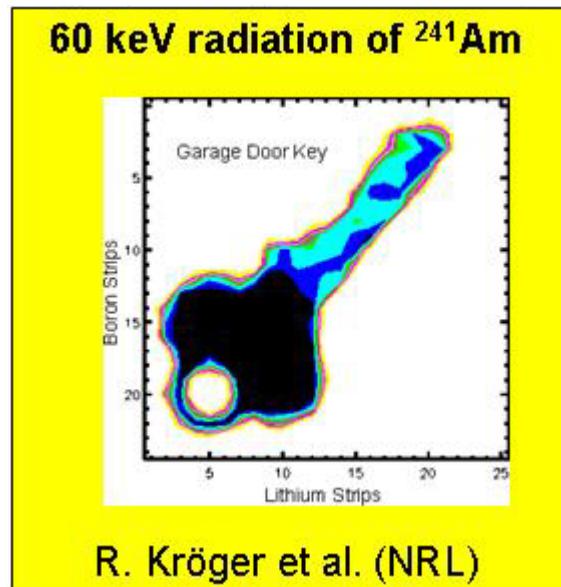
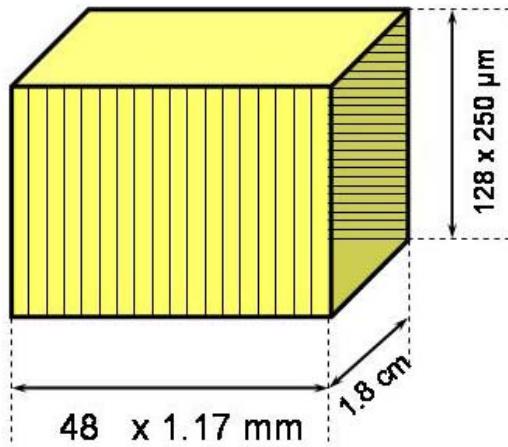
**Segmented solid state detectors**



# 2D Position Sensitive Ge(i) Detectors

## Micro-Strip Germanium Detector Development:

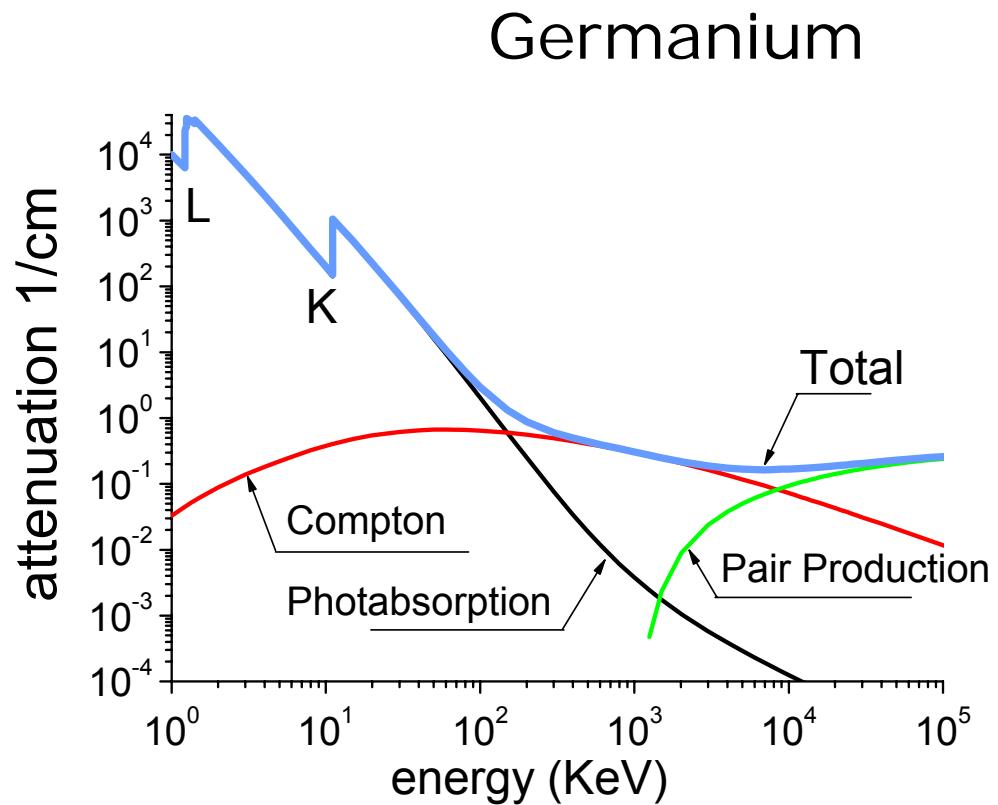
Energy Resolved X-Ray Imager, Timing, Multi-Hit Capability



- polarization studies
- Compton cameras
- x-ray imager  
e.g. medical applications

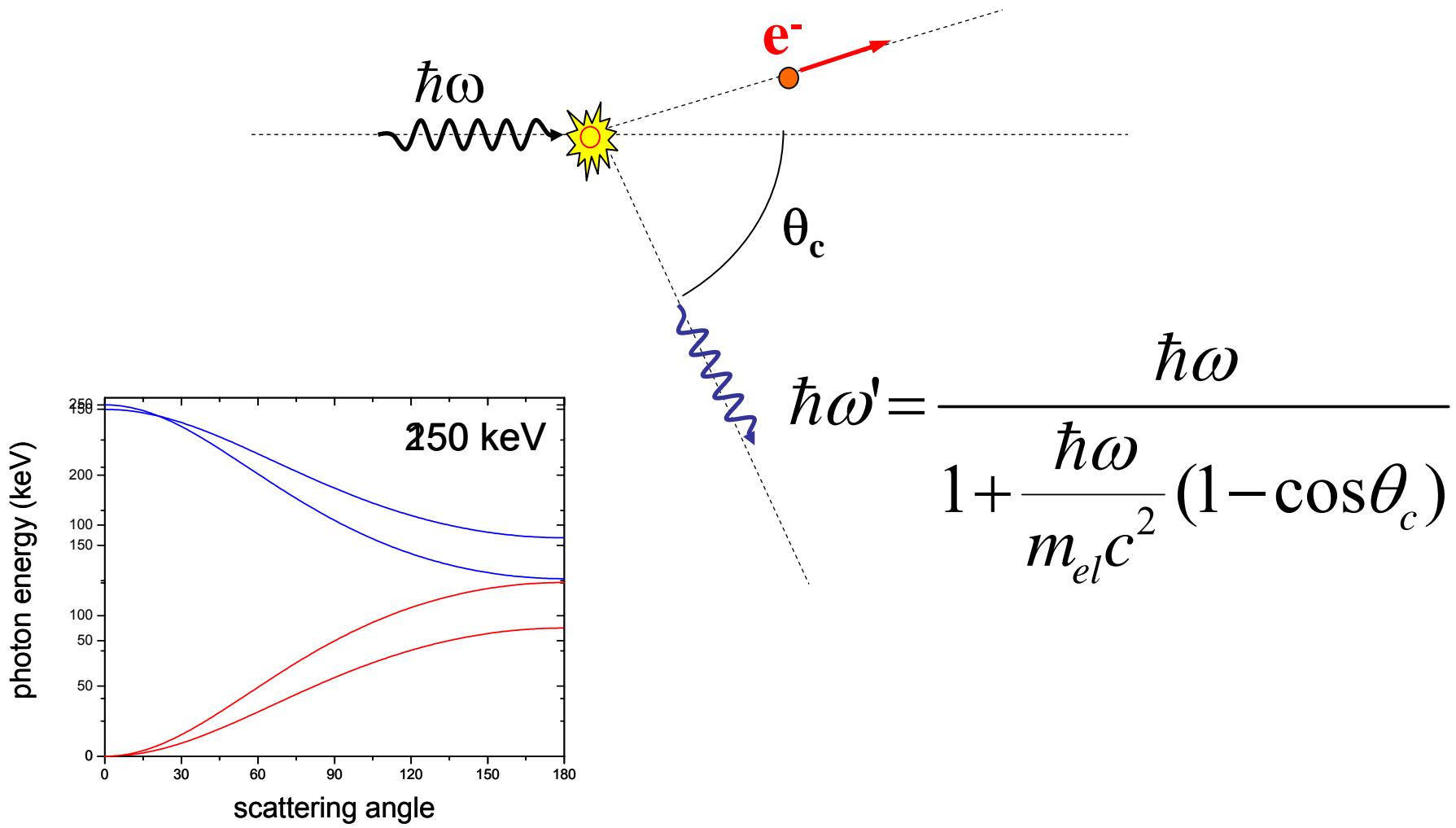
- precision spectroscopy
- Doppler tuned spectroscopy
- atomic lifetime studies

# Interaction of electro-magnetic radiation with matter



- **photoelectric effect**
- **Compton scattering**
- **pair production**

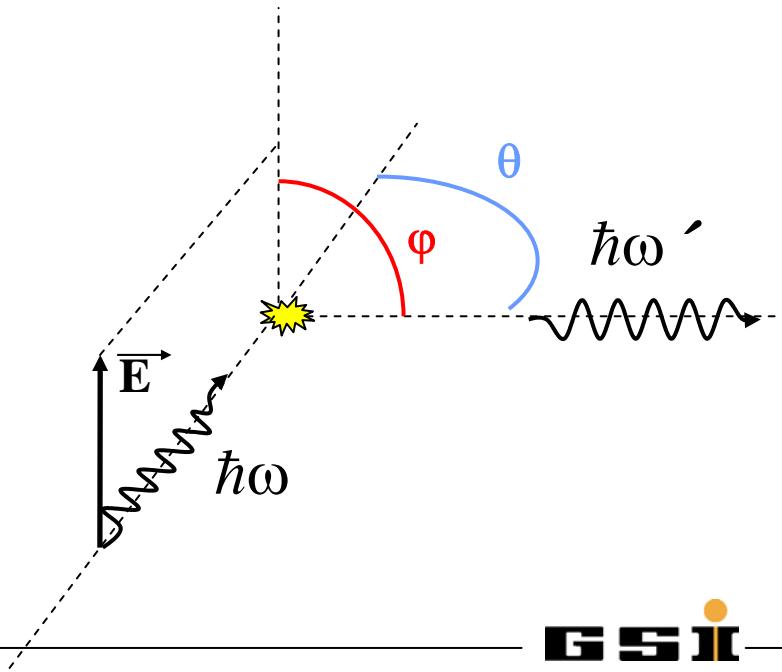
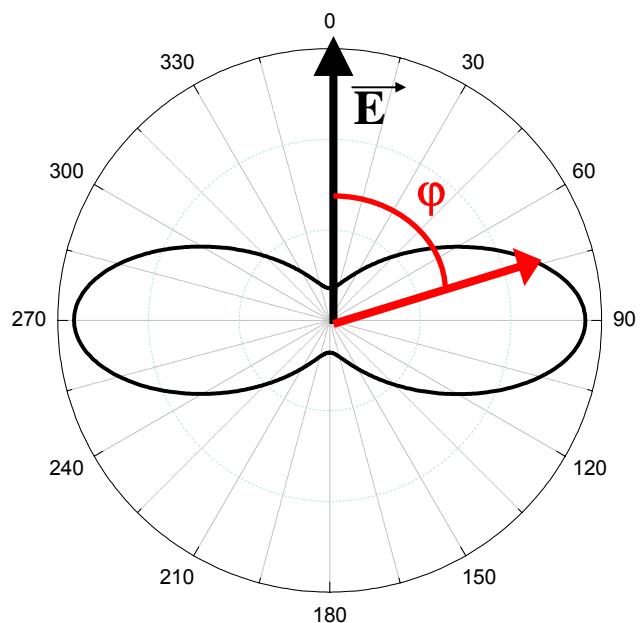
# Compton Scattering



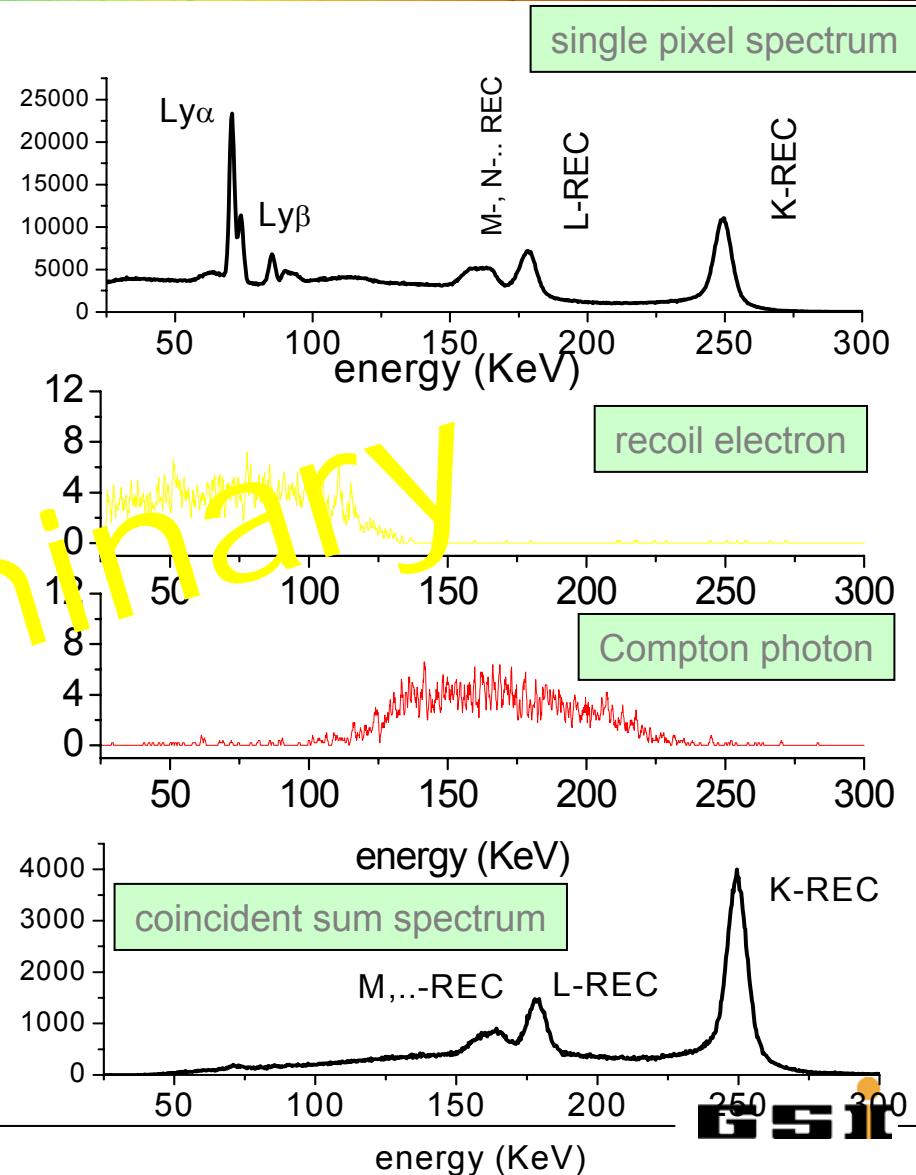
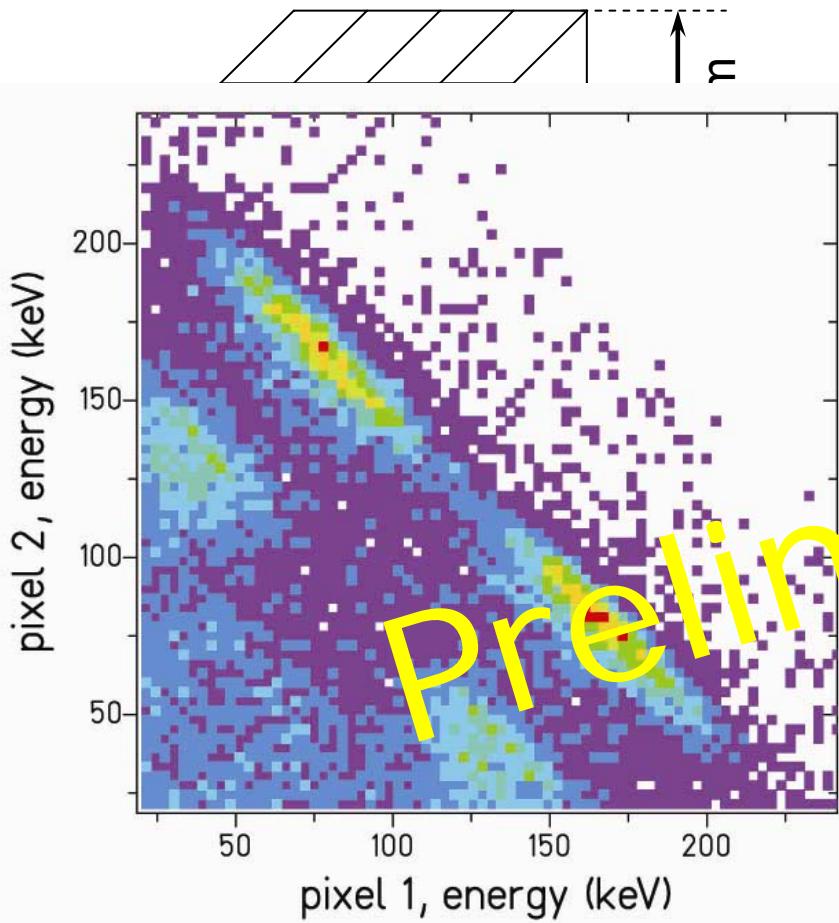
# Polarization Measurement by Means of Compton scattering

Klein-Nishina equation

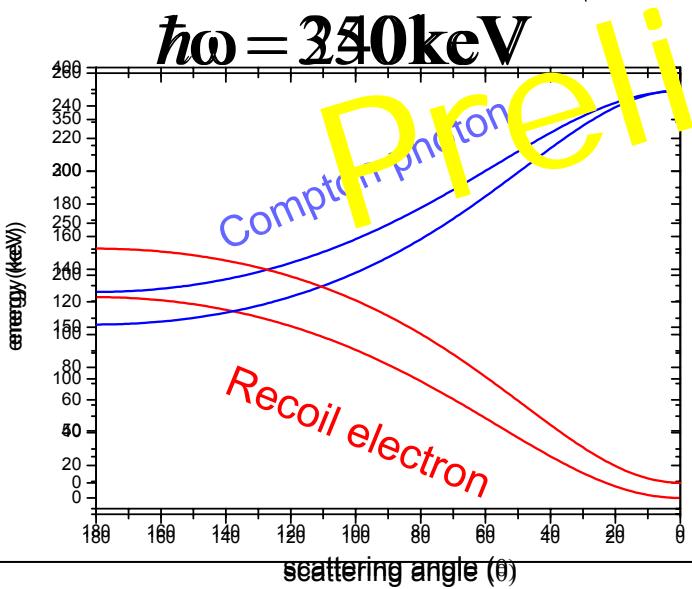
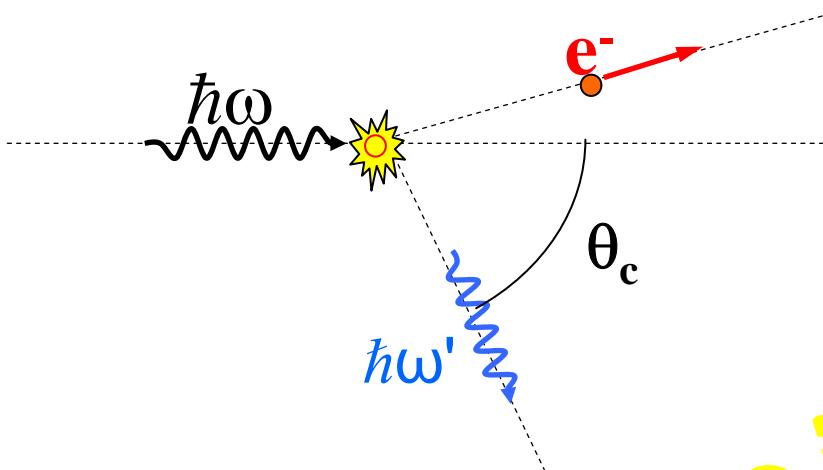
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{2} r_0^2 \left( \frac{\hbar\omega'}{\hbar\omega} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\hbar\omega'}{\hbar\omega} + \frac{\hbar\omega}{\hbar\omega'} - 2 \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \varphi \right)$$



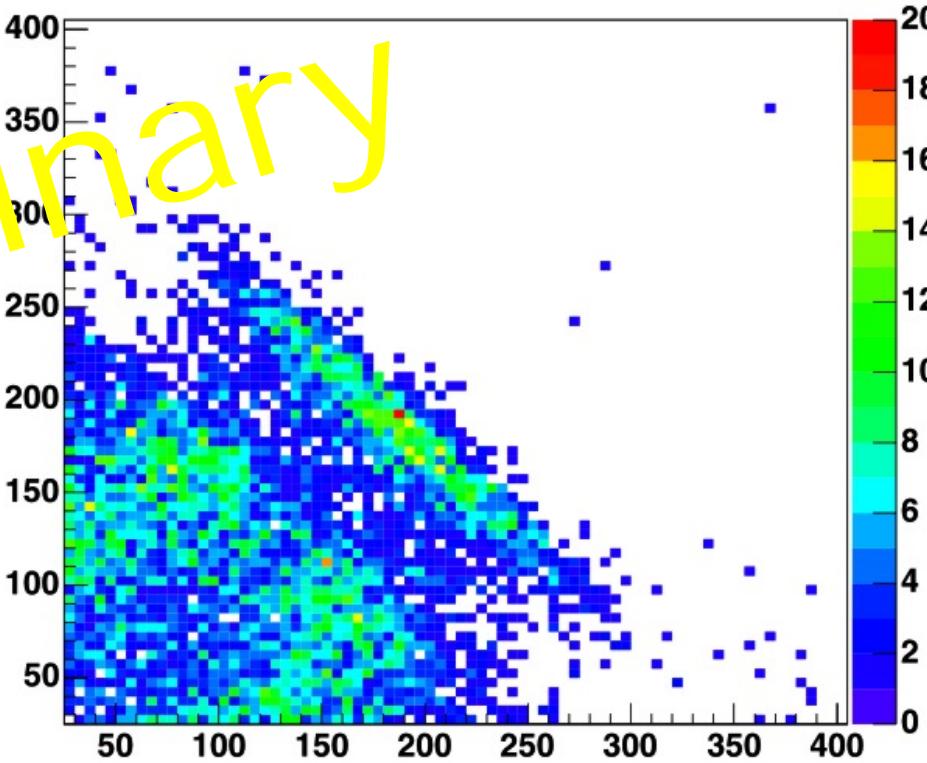
# Pixel Detector -Coincidence Technique



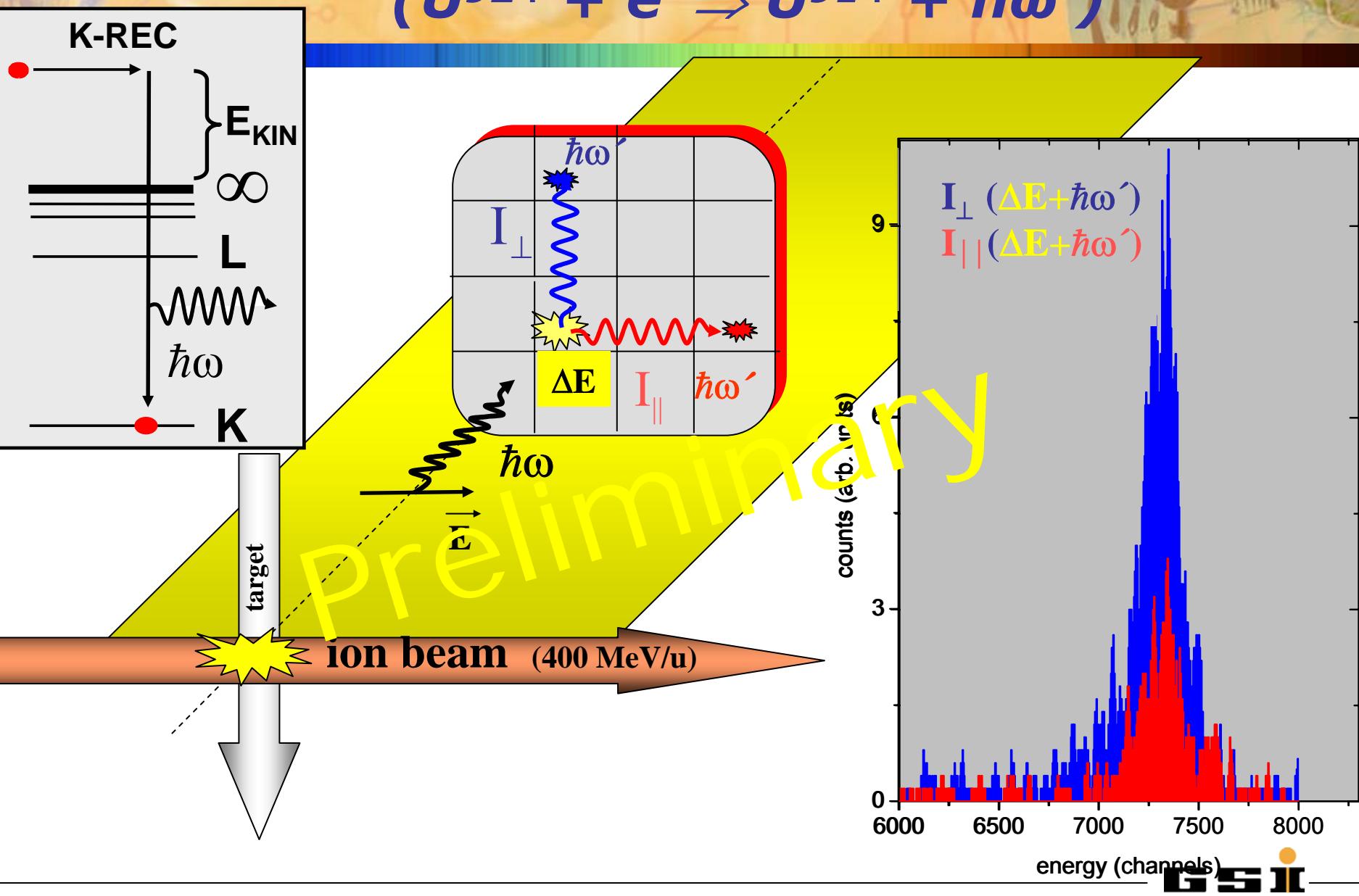
# Compton Kinematics



$$\hbar\omega' = \frac{\hbar\omega}{1 + \frac{\hbar\omega}{m_{el}c^2}(1 - \cos\theta_c)}$$

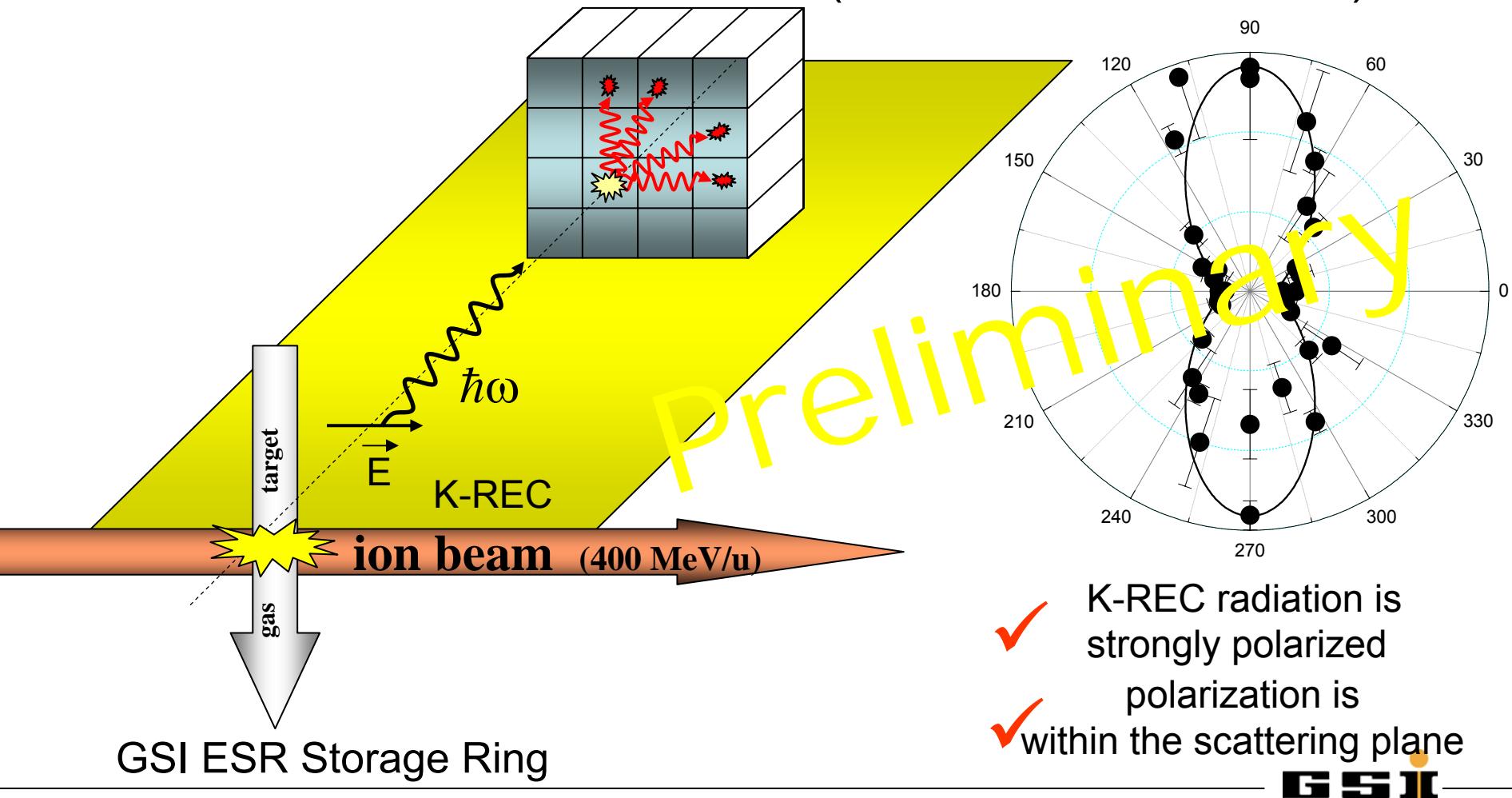


# Polarization Experiment

$$(U^{92+} + e^- \Rightarrow U^{91+} + \hbar\omega)$$


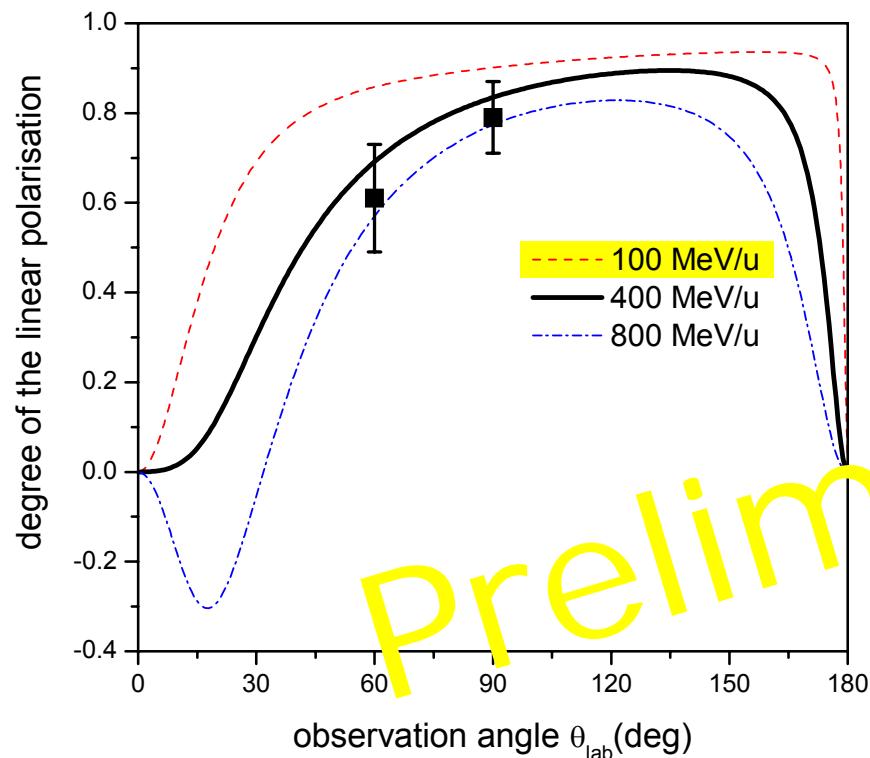
# Experiment

Polarization Measurement for Radiative Recombination Transitions ( $U^{92+} + e^- \Rightarrow U^{91+} + \hbar\omega$ )

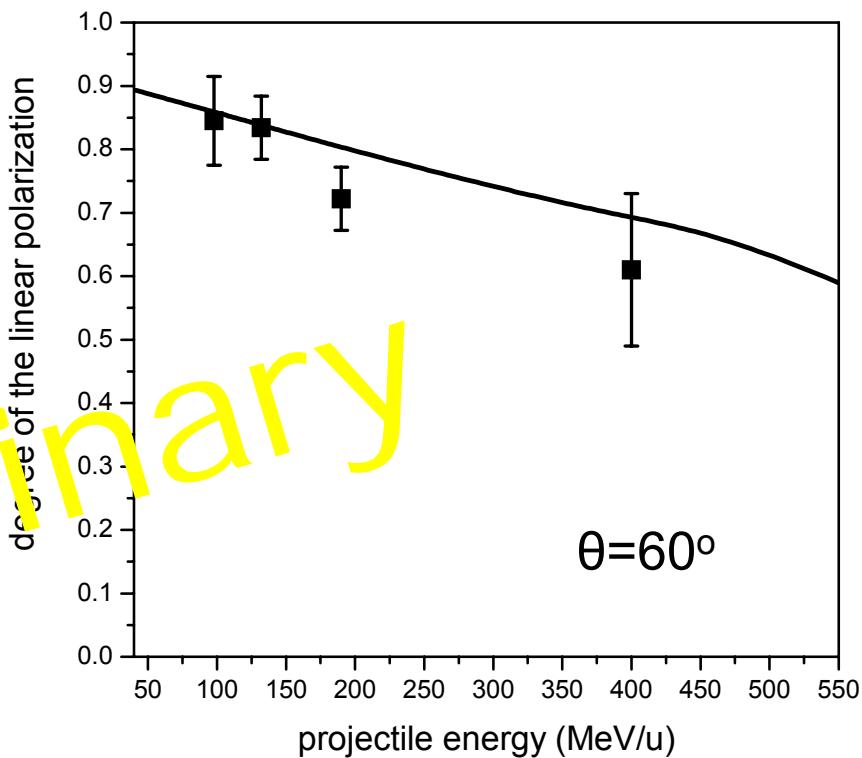


# Preliminary Results

Angular dependence



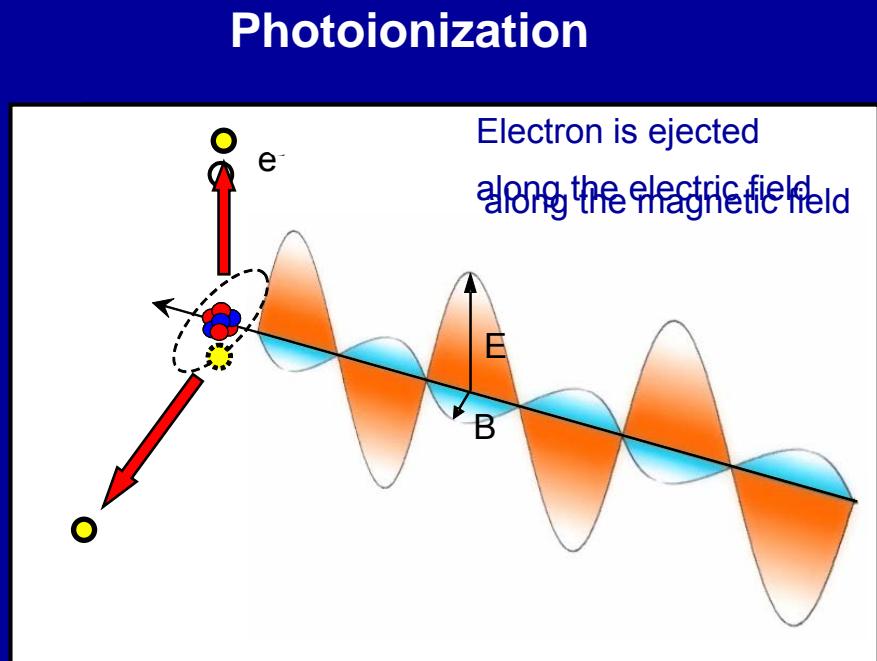
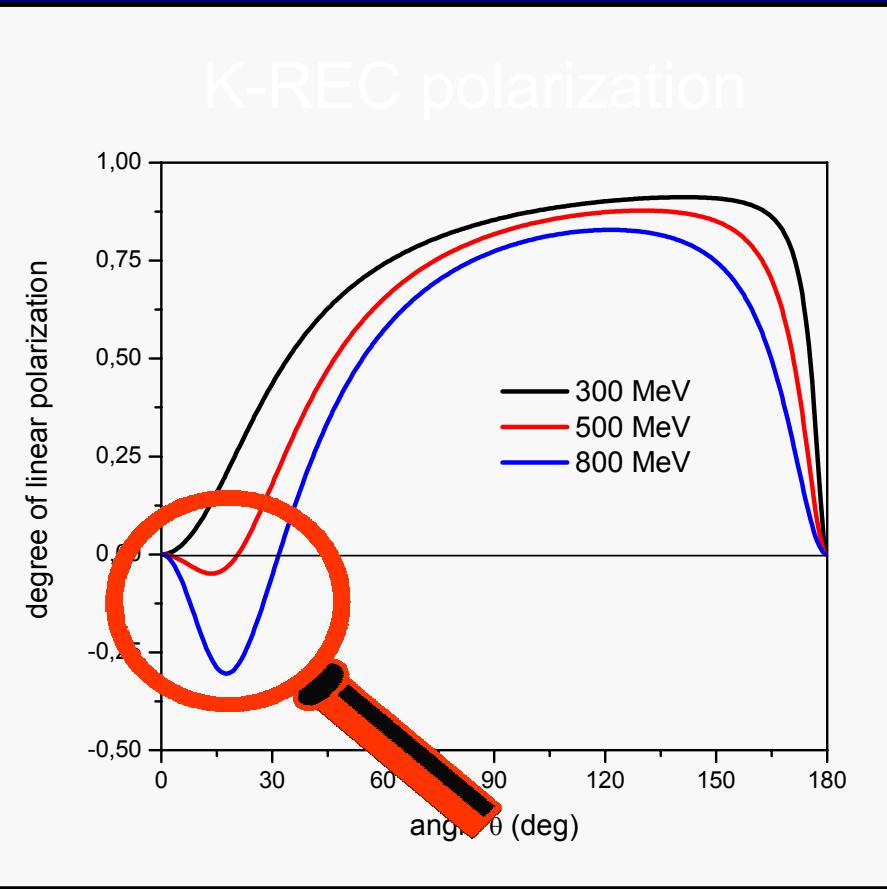
Energy dependence



**Experiment:**  
**Tachenov et al.,**  
**PHD Thesis 2005**

**Exact Relativistic Treatment**  
Eichler et al., PRA, 2001  
Surzykov et al., PRA, 2001

# Crossover Phenomenon

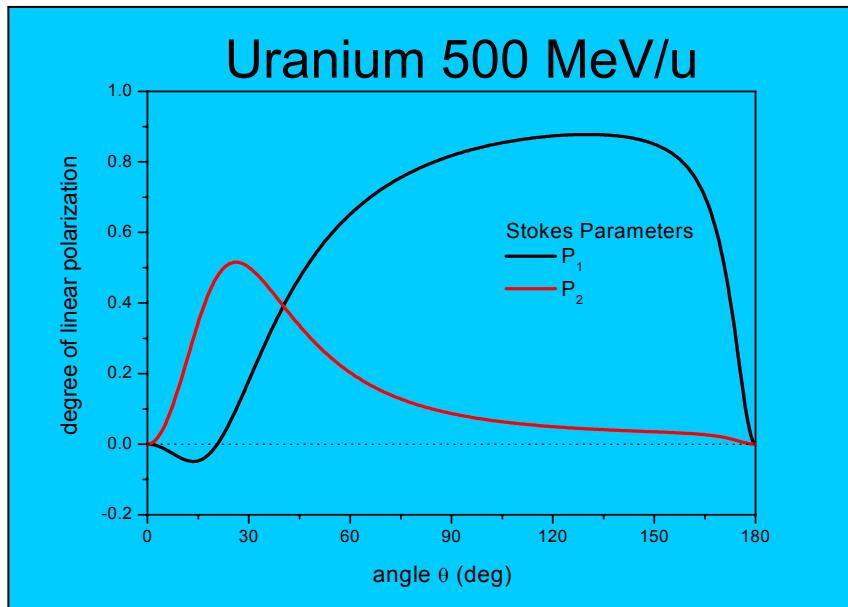


$$\vec{F} \propto \vec{E} + [\vec{v} \times \vec{B}]$$

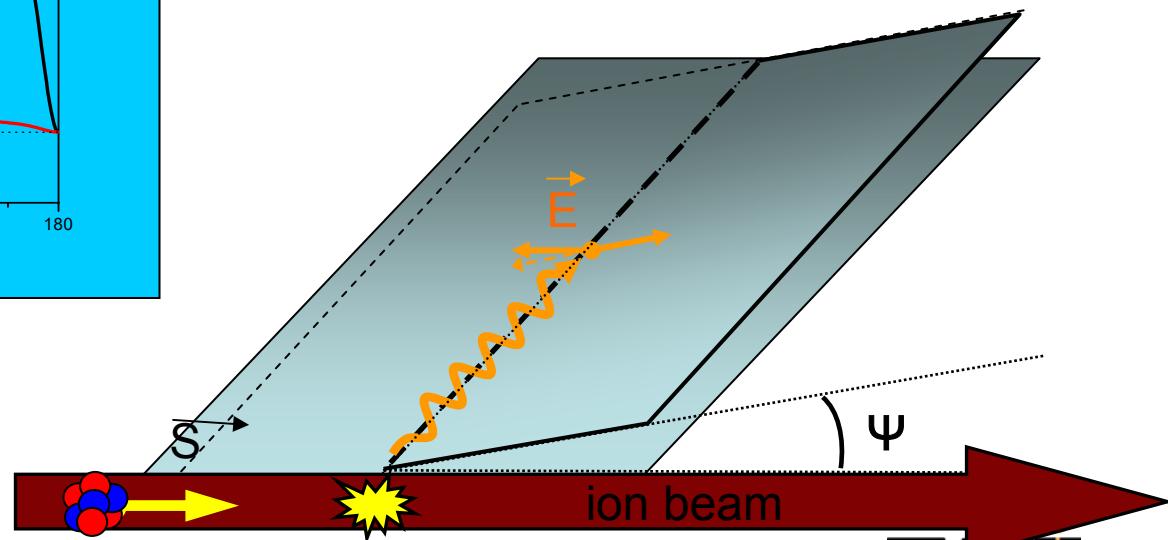
# Ion Beam Spin Polarization

for spin polarized particles, the Stokes parameter  $P_2$  is non-zero =>

**polarization plane and scattering plane are not equal**

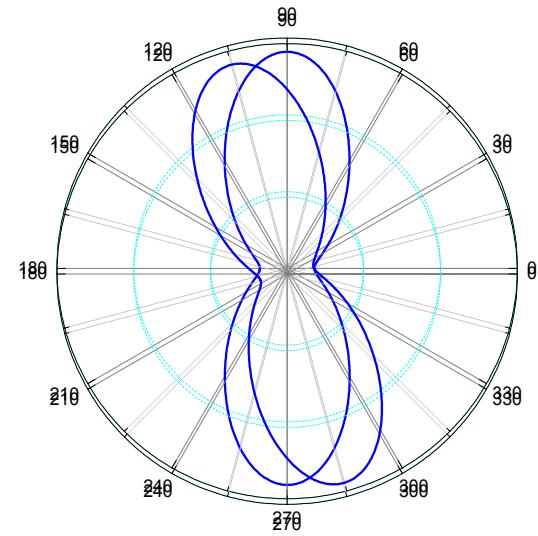
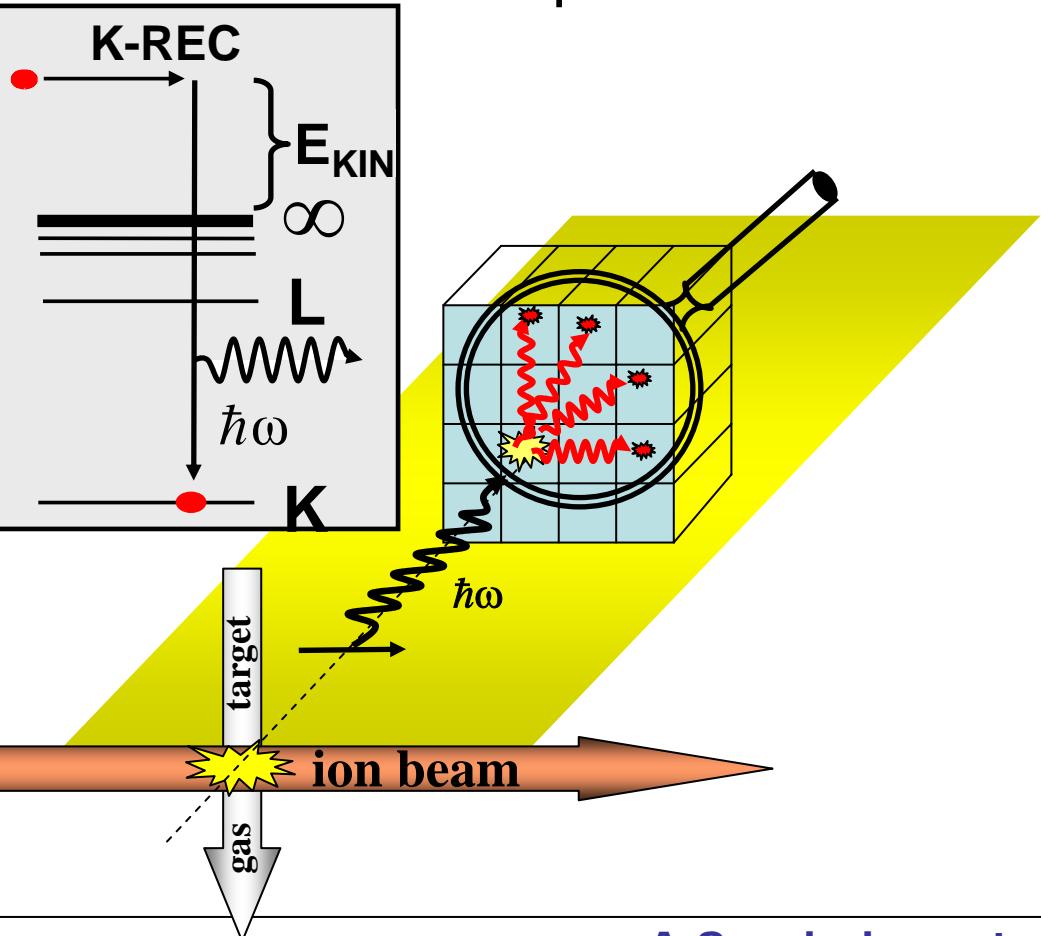


$\Psi \Rightarrow$  degree of ion beam spin polarization



# Detection of spin polarized ion beams

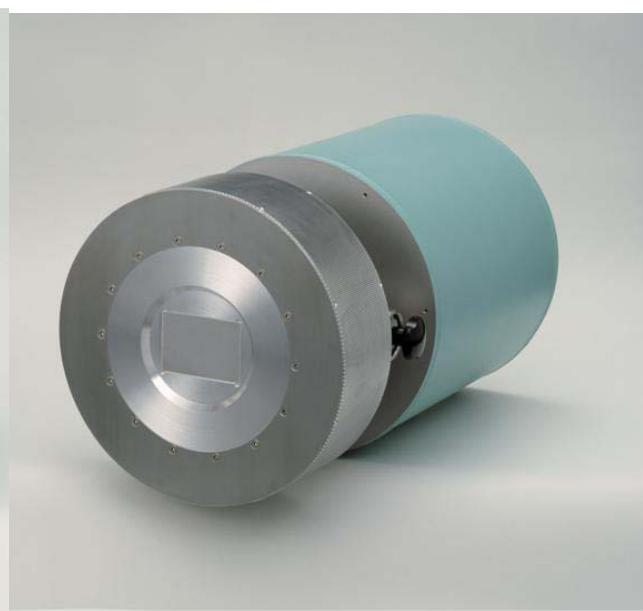
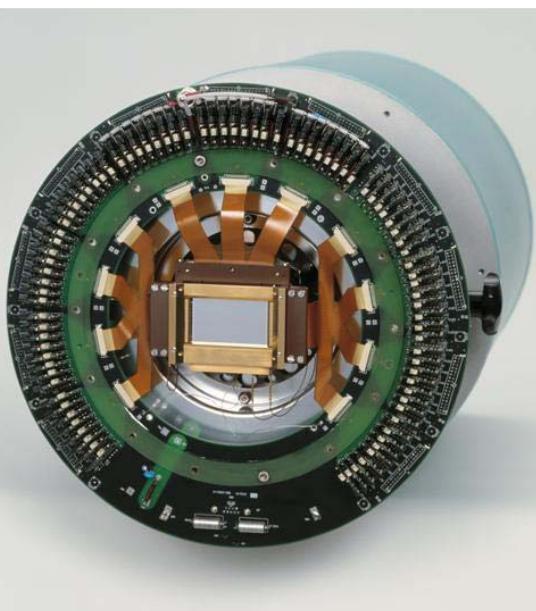
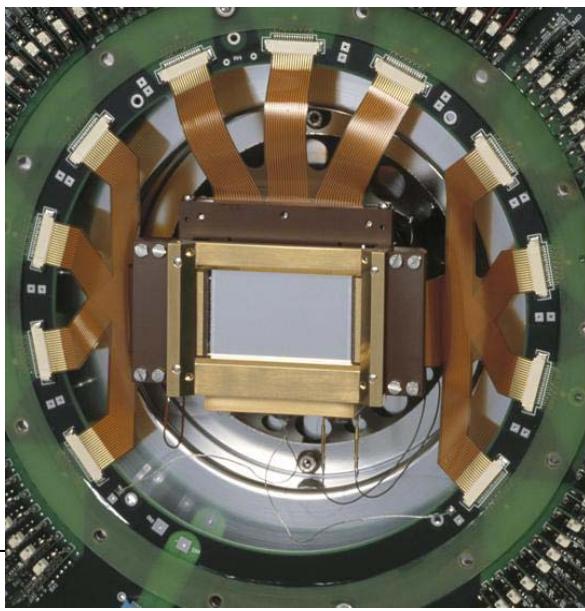
spin polarized ion beams  
unpolarized ion beams



*Energy Resolution*

*Position Resolution (2D/3D)*

*Timing*

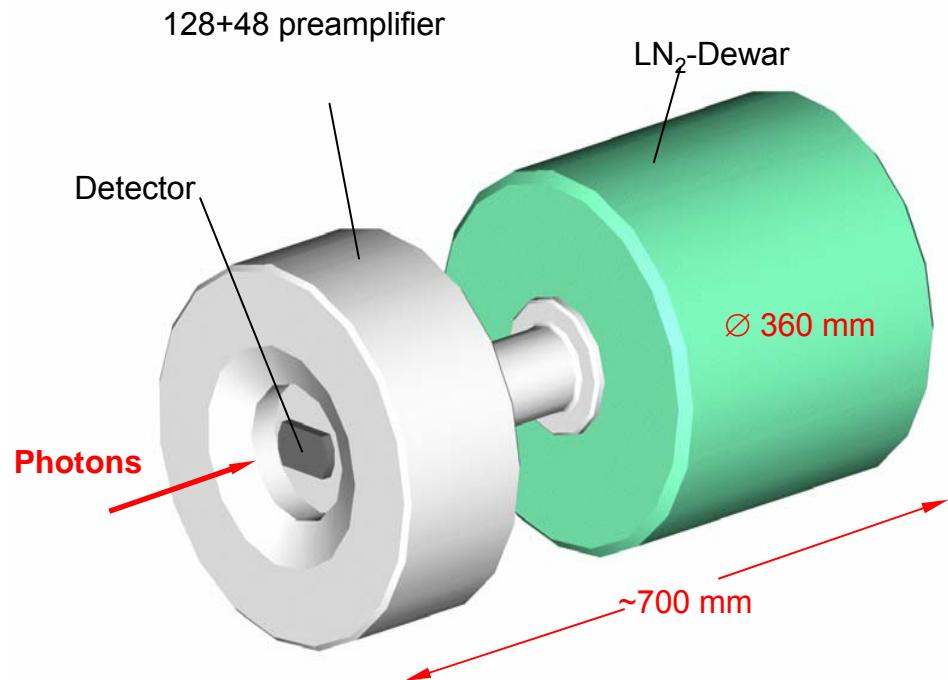
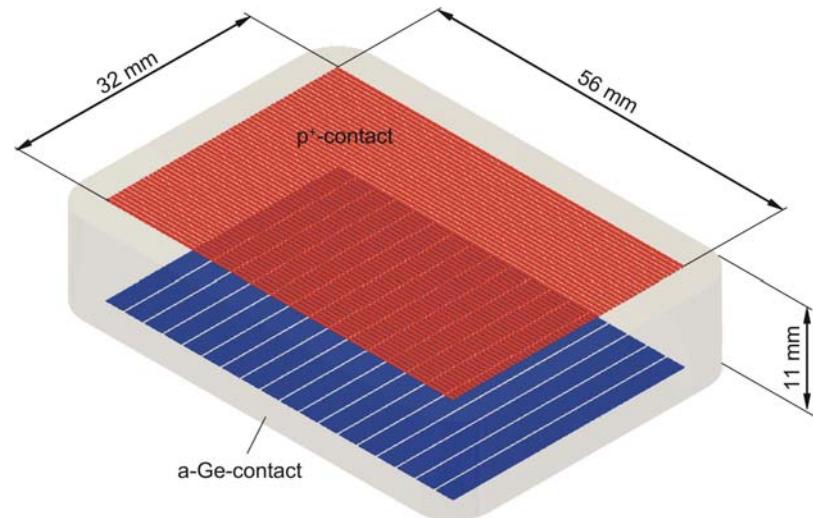




at ESRF: systematic studies of the detector response for the 2D polarimeter (e.g. polarization sensitivity)

**50 keV to 500 keV**

# *2D $\mu$ strip detector system*

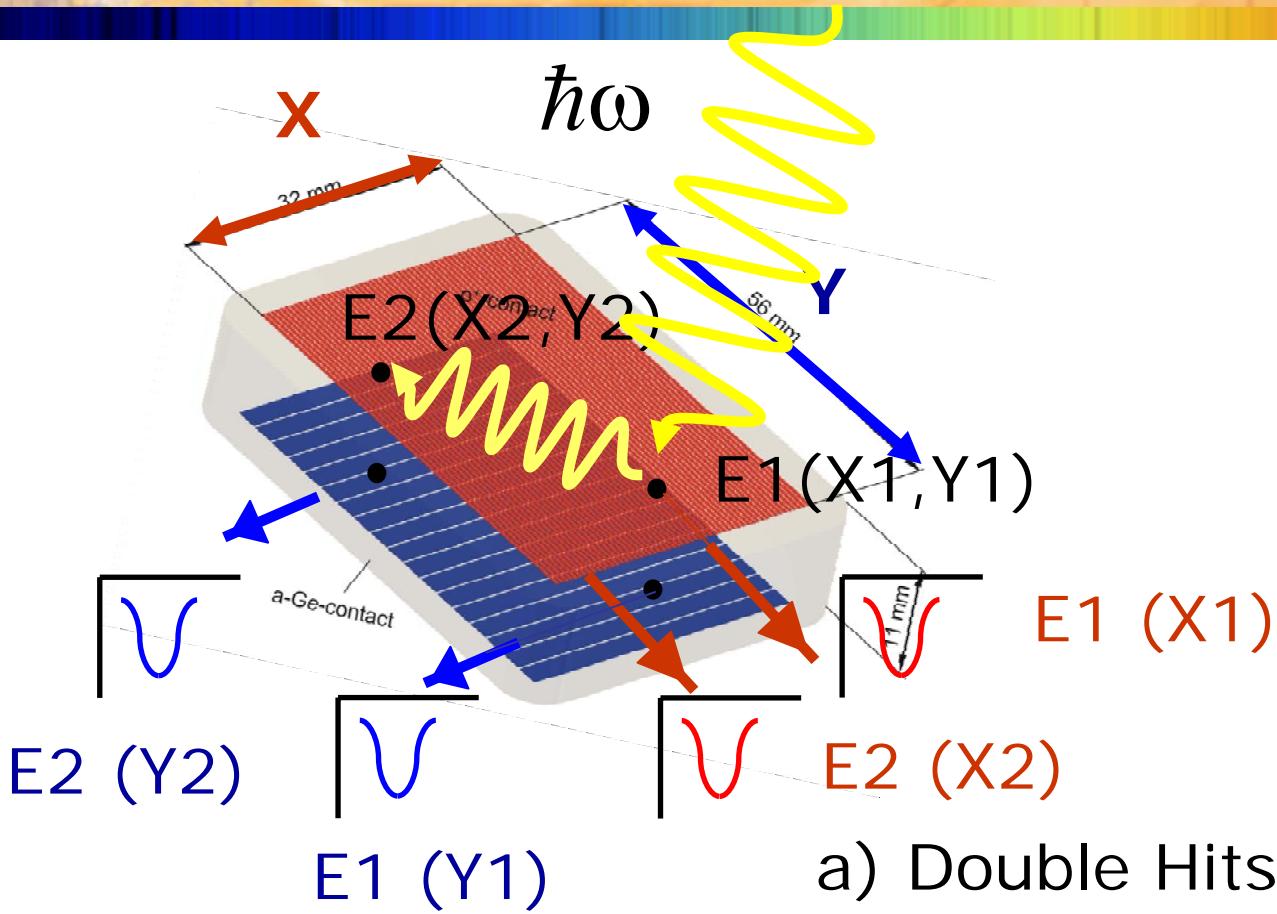


Crystal size  
height: 32 mm  
width: 56 mm  
thickness: 11 mm

Front: 128 strips pitch  $\sim 250\mu\text{m}$   
Back: 48 strips pitch  $\sim 1167\mu\text{m}$

# Strip Detector: Analysis of Compton Events

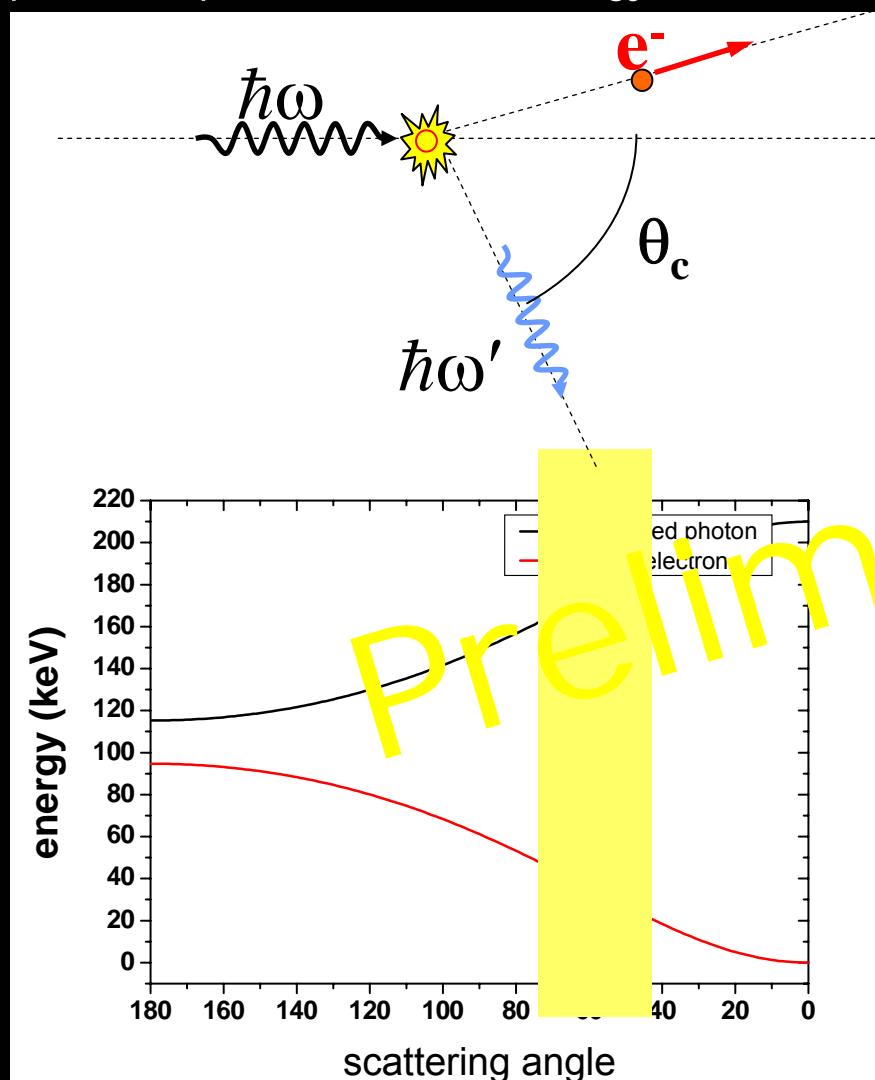
=> Use Multihit Sensitivity



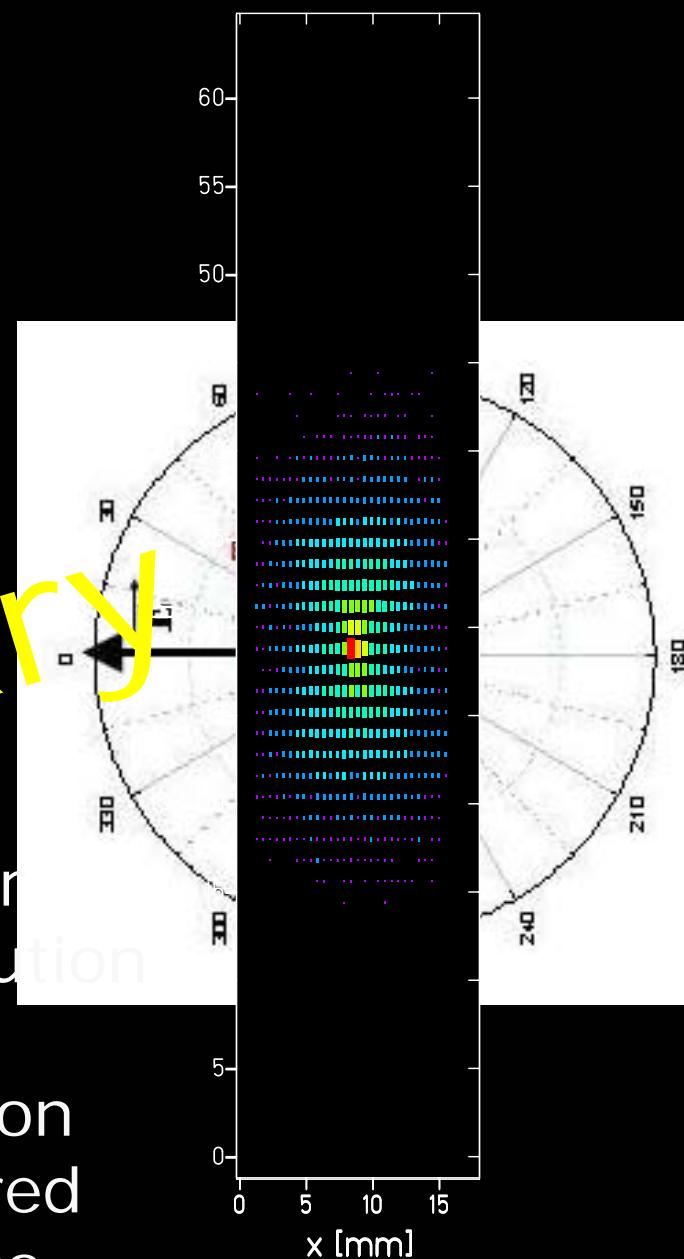
- a) Double Hits on Front Side
- b) Double Hits on Back Side
- c) Compare Energy Information to fix  $(X_1, Y_1)$  and  $(X_2, Y_2)$

# *2D images of the Compton scattering distribution in germanium as function of the scattering angle*

The data were recorded at the ESRF using 98% linearly polarized photons with an energy of 210 keV.

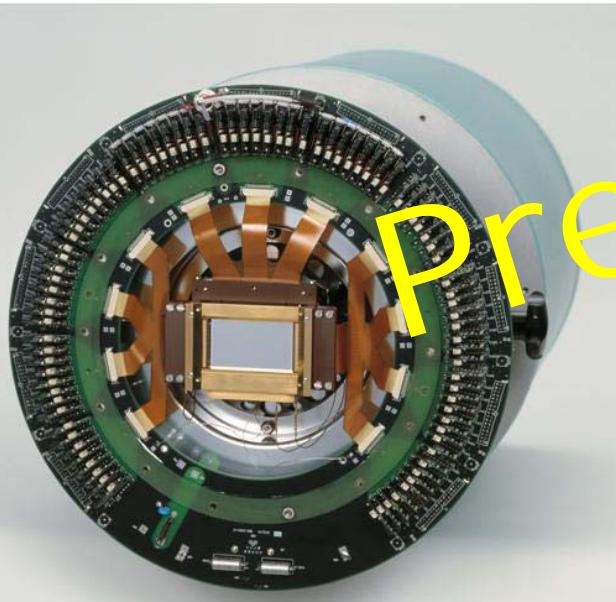


Preliminary  
angular  
distribution  
of the  
Compton  
scattered  
photons

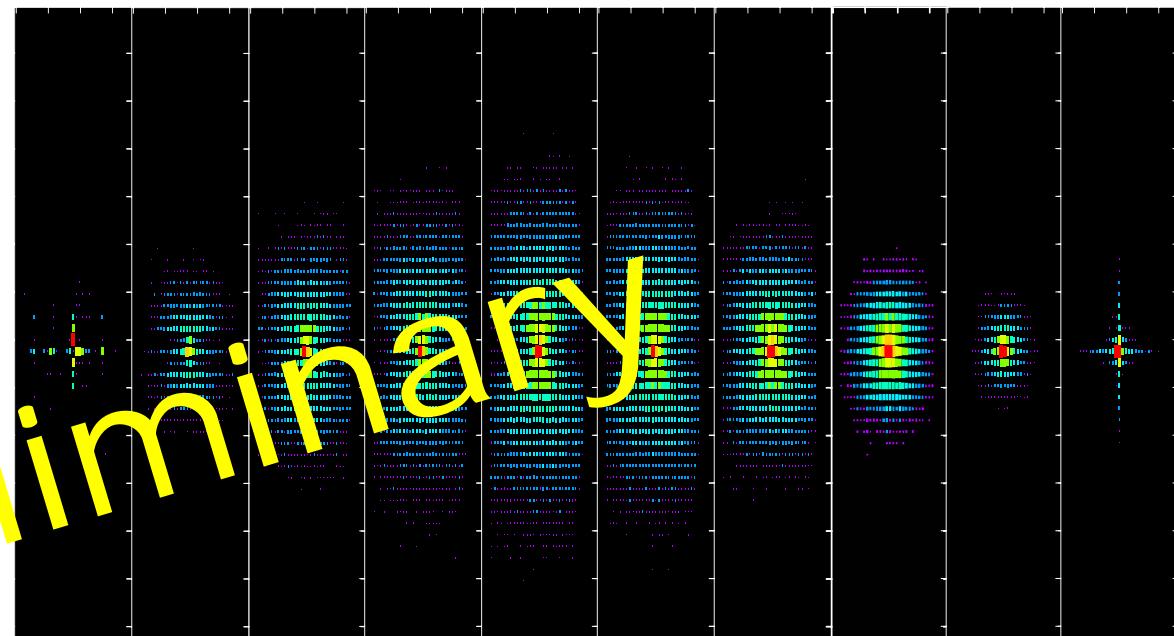


# *Compton Imager and Polarimeter for Hard X-Rays @ ESR*

*Polarization Spectroscopy of Photon-Matter Interaction*



Preliminary

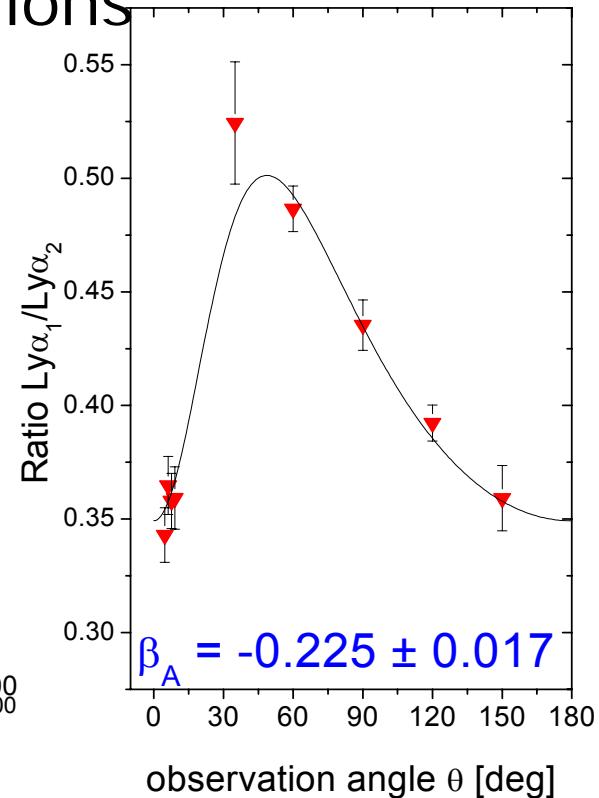
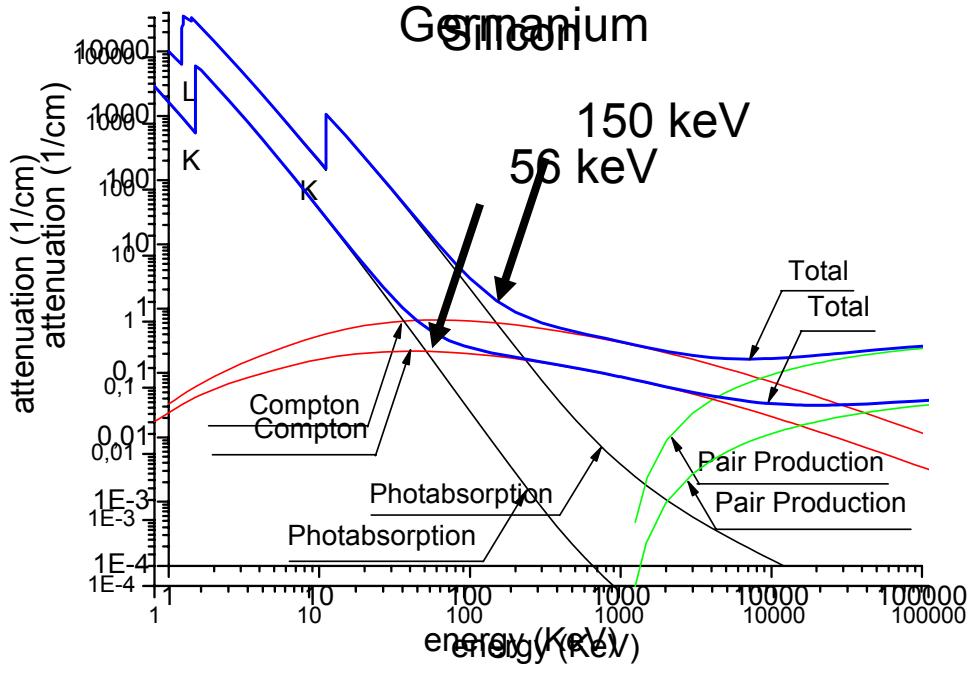


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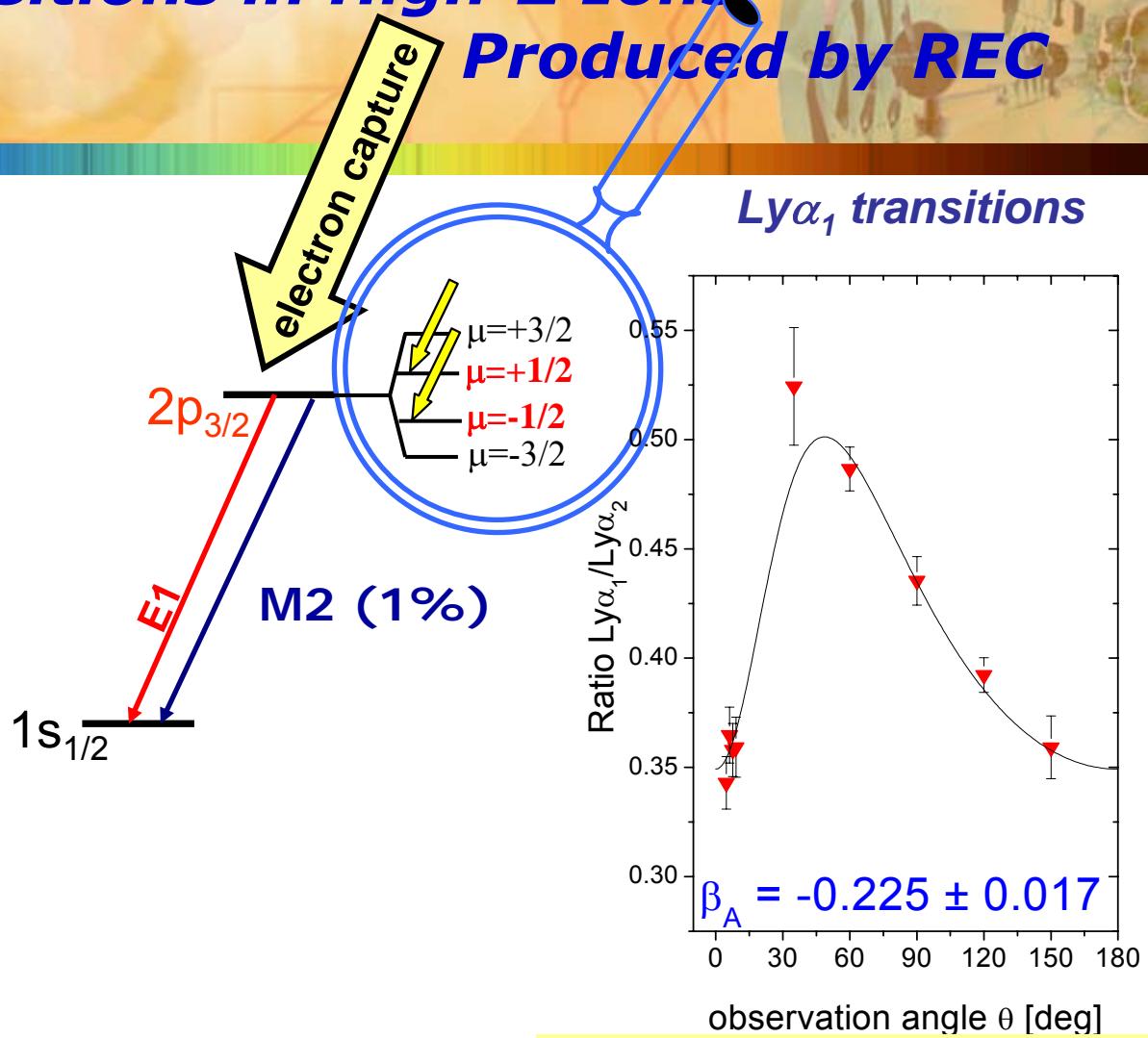
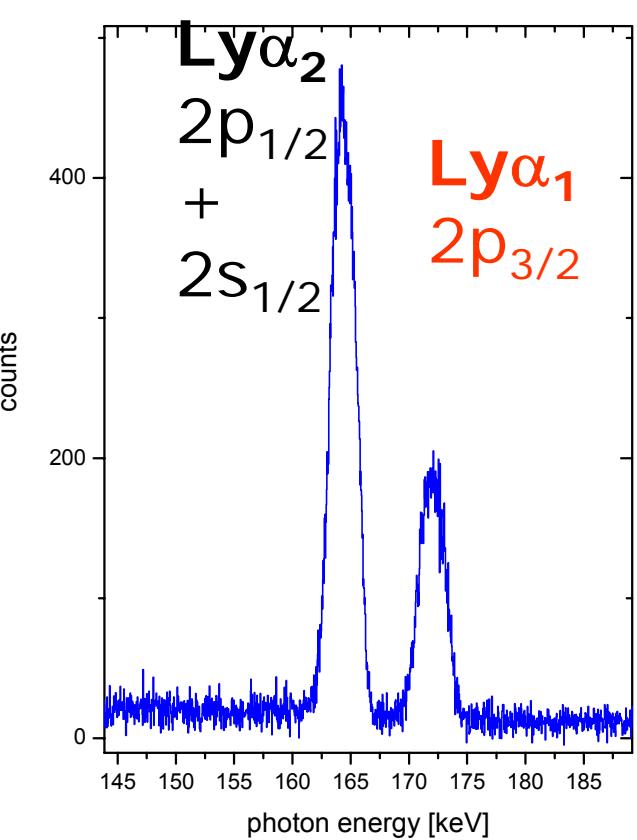
# What About Inner Shell Transitions with Energies Below 100 keV ?

## bound-free and free-free transitions



2p<sub>3/2</sub> transitions  
in high-Z ions  
populated by electron  
capture

# *2p<sub>3/2</sub> Transitions in High-Z Ions Produced by REC*



**Strong Alignment**

PRL 79, 3270 (1997)

**Multipolomixing E1/M2**

PRL 88 153001 (2002)

$$W(\theta) \propto 1 + \beta_A \cdot \left[ 1 - \frac{3}{2} \sin^2 \theta \right]$$

# Helium-like Uranium: Parity Violation in Heavy Ions

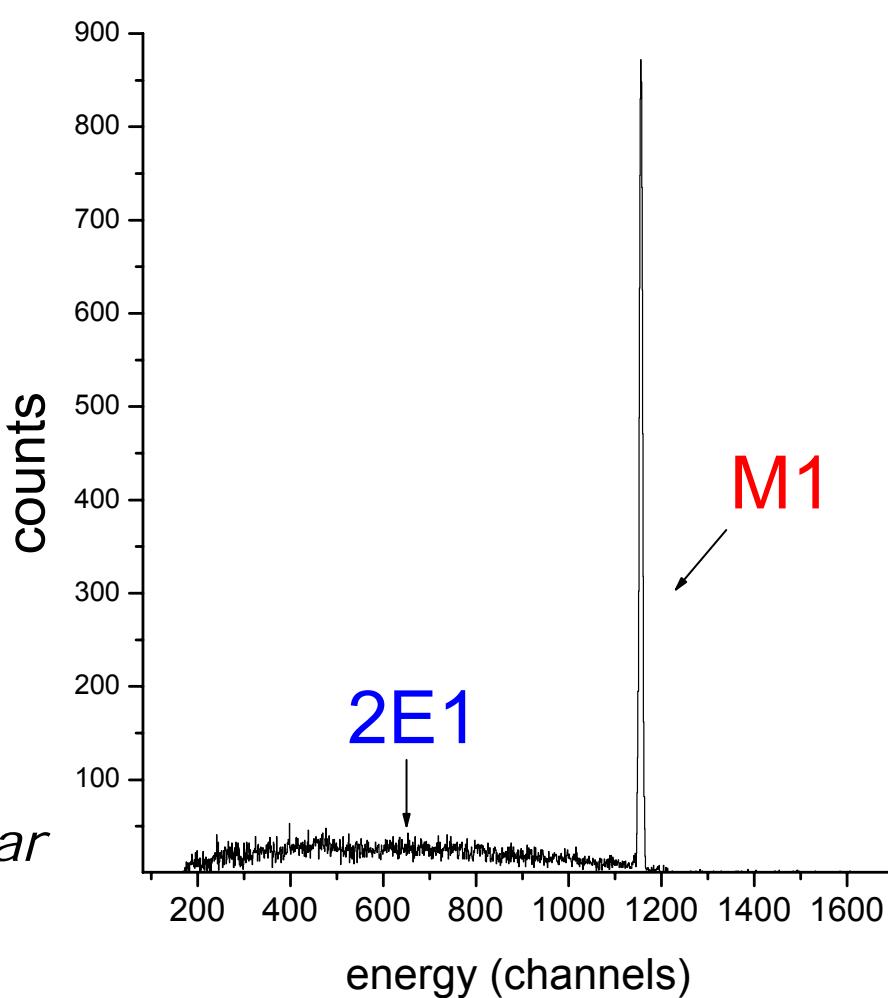
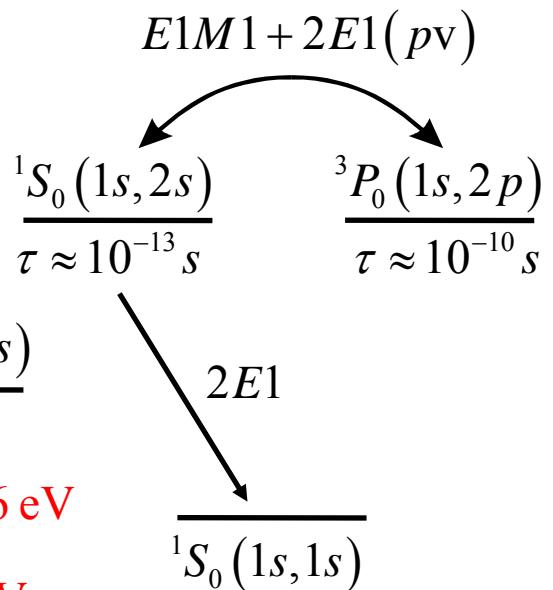
Parity  
admixture

$$|\eta| = 5 \cdot 10^{-6}$$

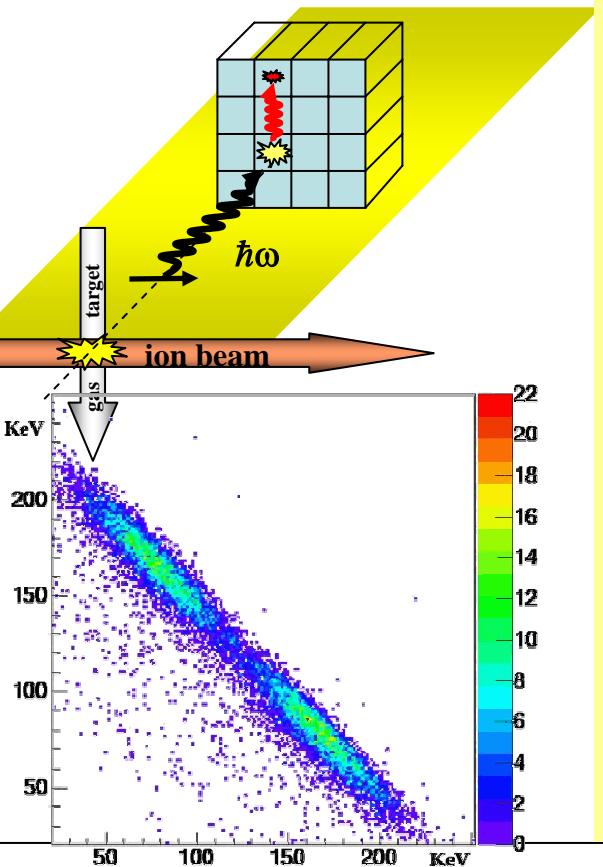
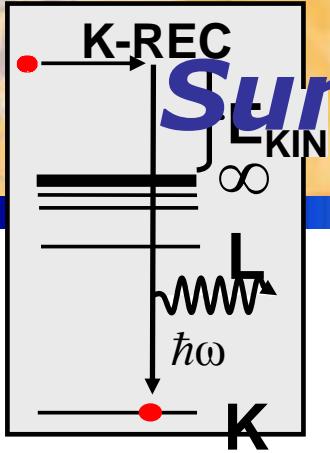
$$E(^1S_0) = -165\,114.406 \text{ eV}$$

$$E(^3P_0) = -165\,113.5 \text{ eV}$$

$$\Delta E = -0.906 \text{ eV}$$



Check for the Asymmetry in the Linear  
or Circular Polarization of the 2E1  
Transitions



# Summary and Outlook

- segmented solid state detectors  
an excellent tool for polarization studies in the hard X-Ray regime
- for REC: first polarization studies for hard x-rays
- diagnostic tool for spin polarized ion beams
- using Si(Li) strip detectors, such studies can be extended to inner-shell transitions
- towards a study of parity violation experiments in atomic systems at high-Z
- further sensitivity enhancement via 3D readout
- a lots of applications

