

Photon induced $\gamma\text{-}\gamma$ coincidence experiments at the γ^3 -setup at HIyS

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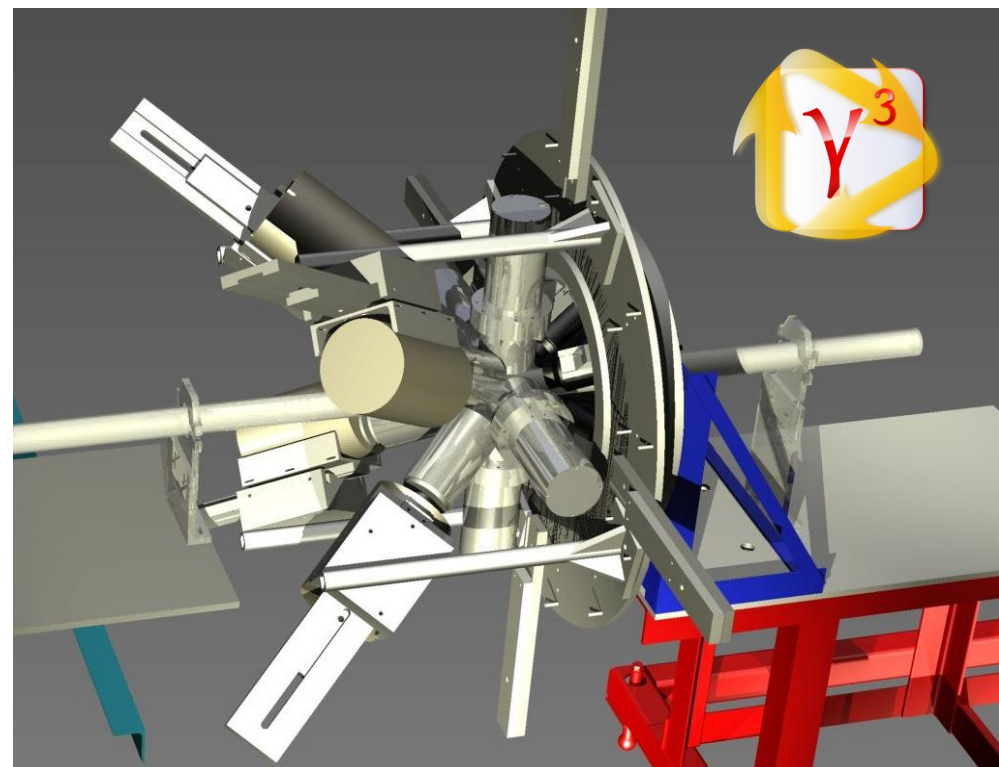
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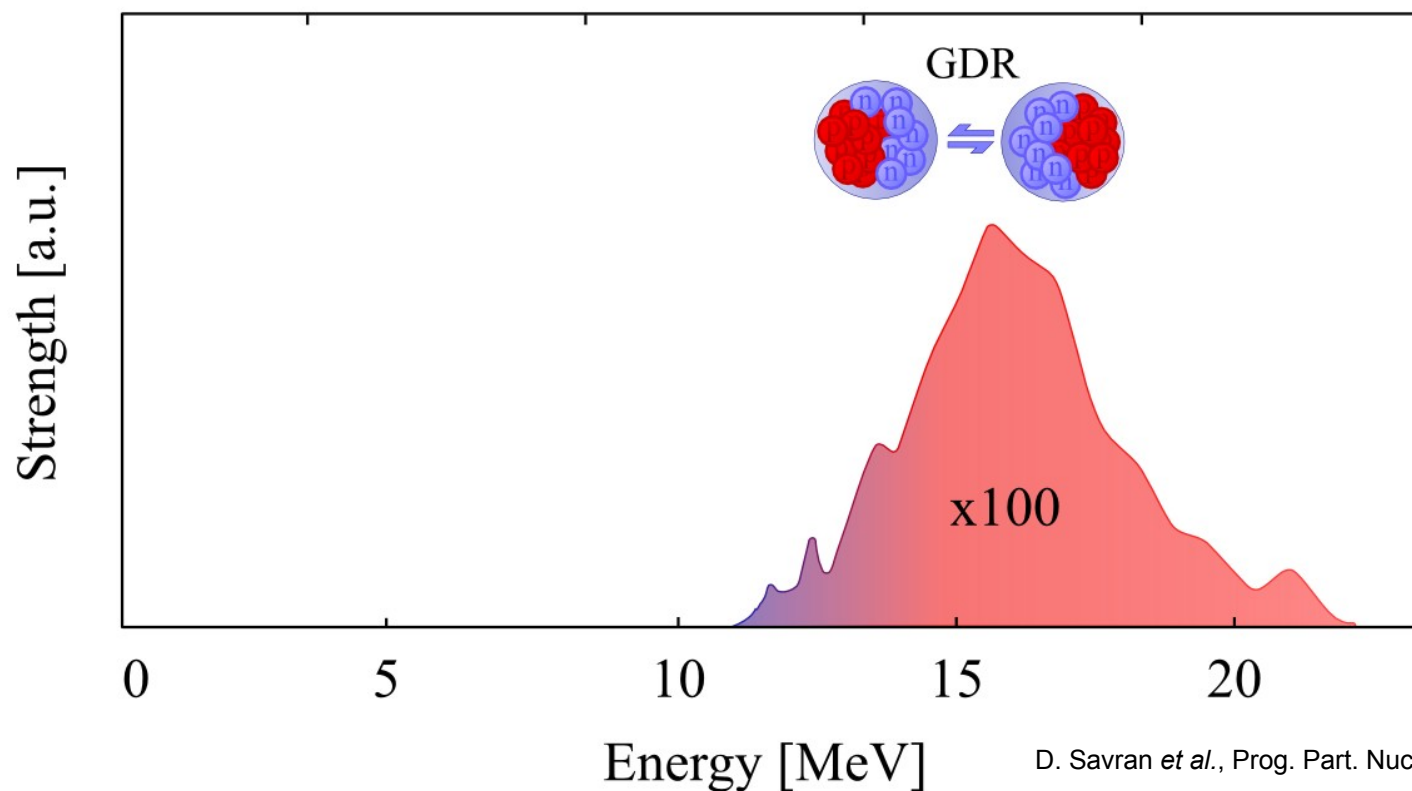
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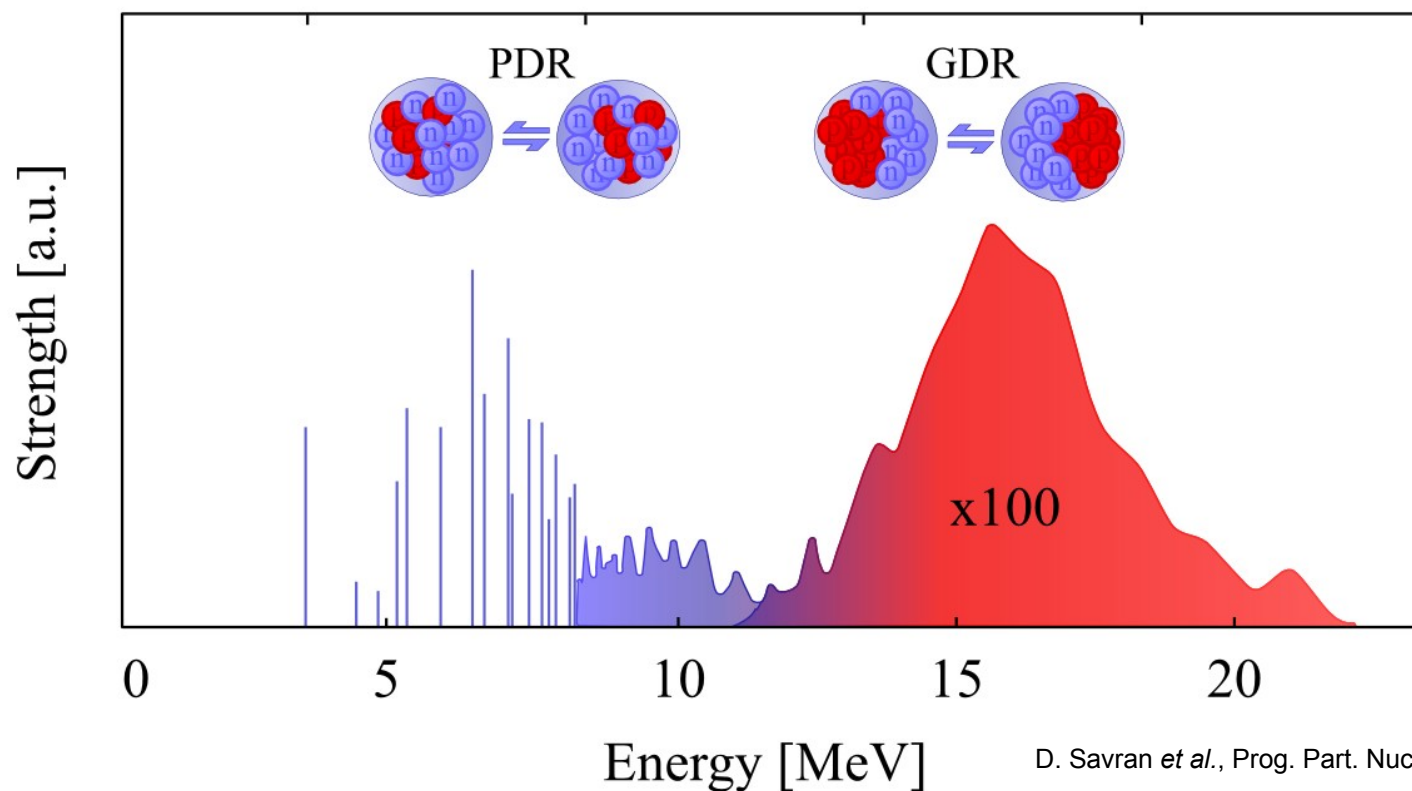
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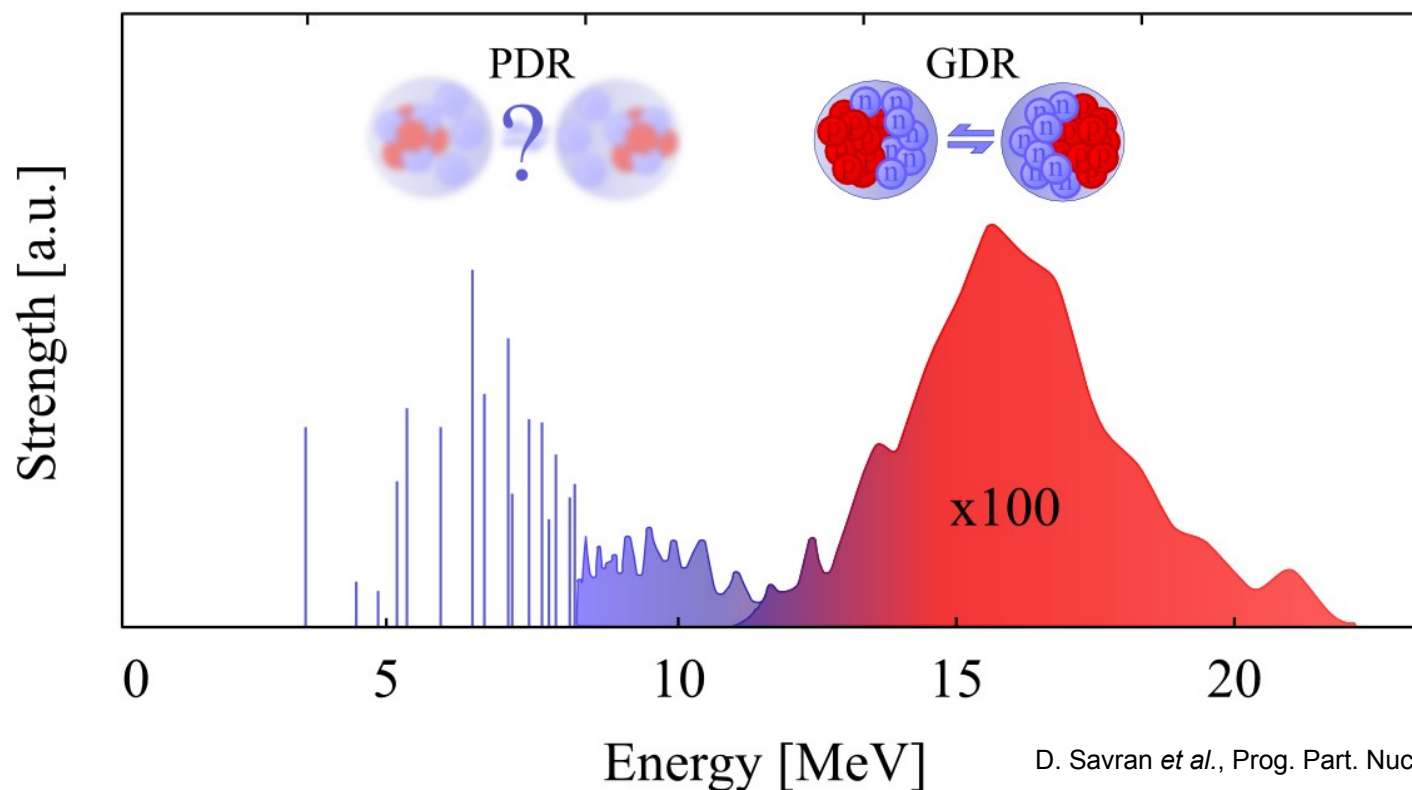


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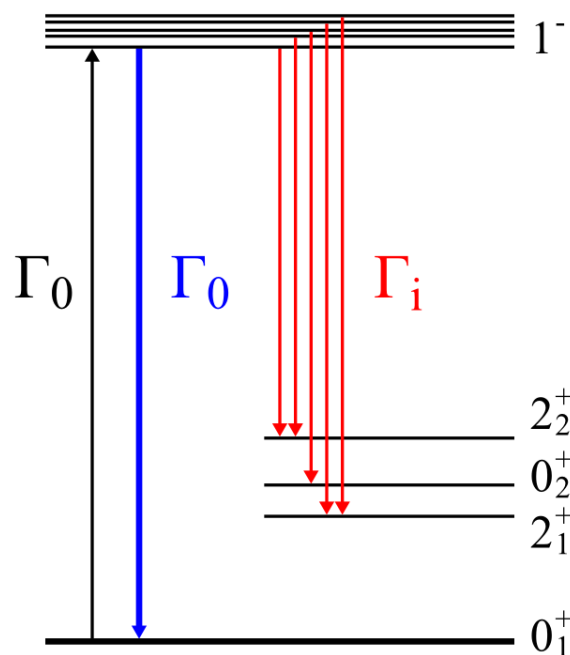
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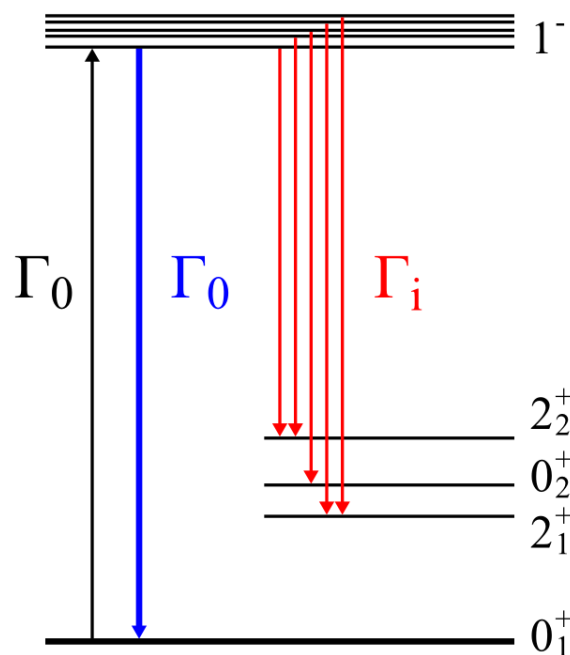


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Nuclear Resonance Fluorescence



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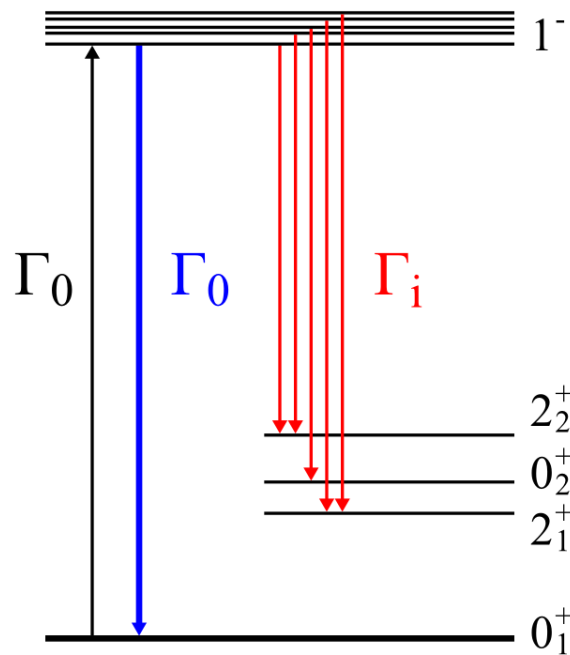
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Usually in NRF assume $\Gamma_0/\Gamma \approx 1$

→ This may not be the case for the $\sum_i \Gamma_i$!



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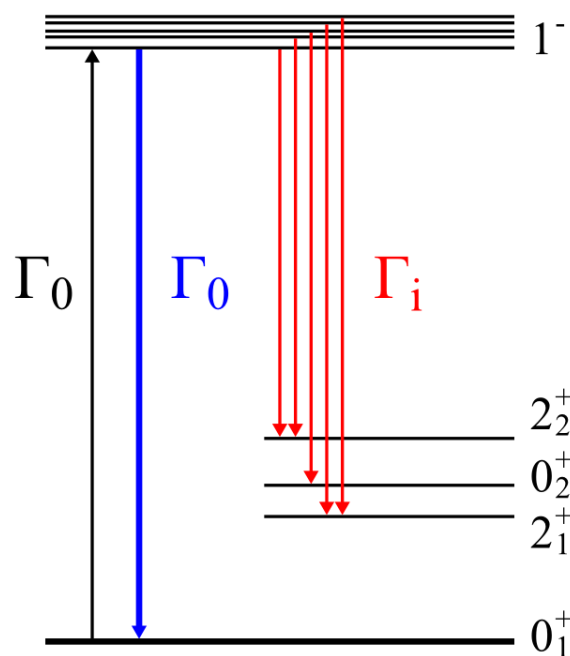


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To know the decay pattern, Γ_i need to be determined
 → Challenge: Measure small branching ratios



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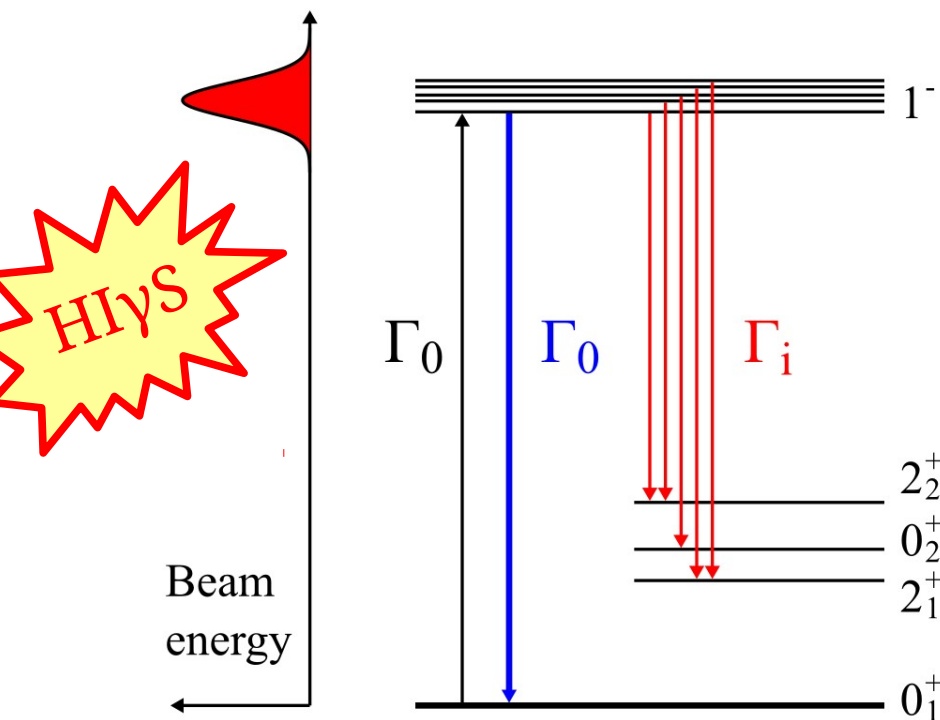


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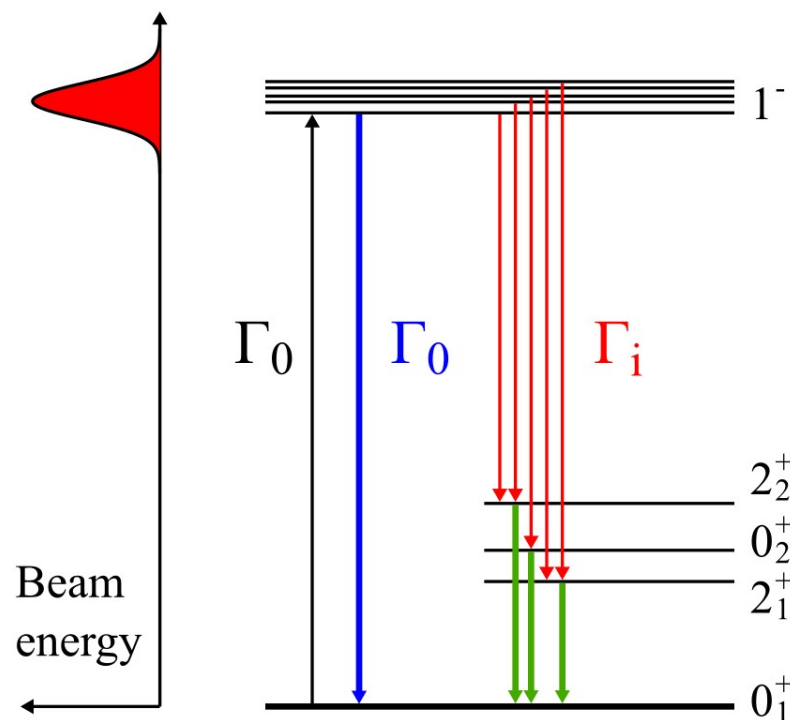
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→ Prepare nucleus in well-defined energy region



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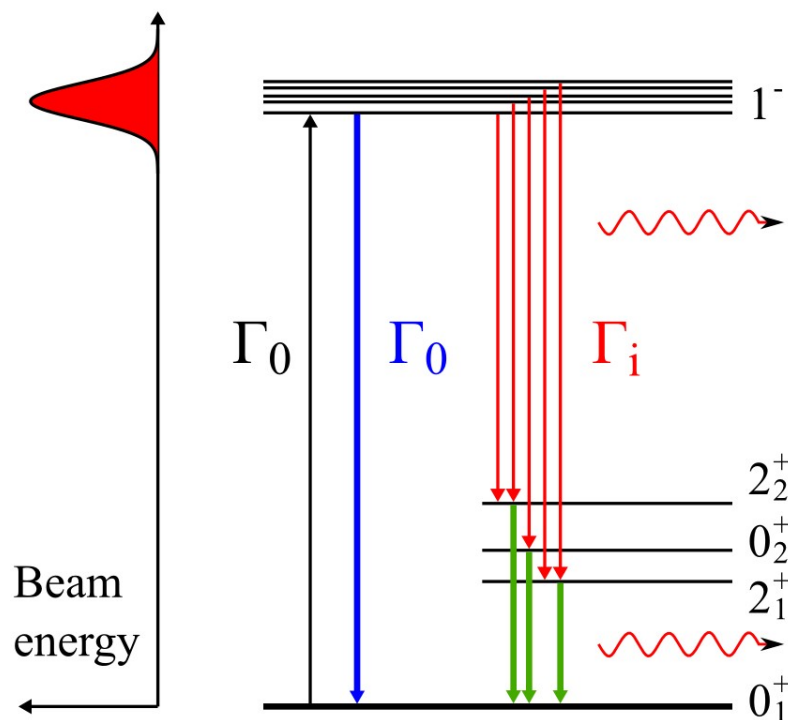
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- Sensitivity of γ - γ coincidence method



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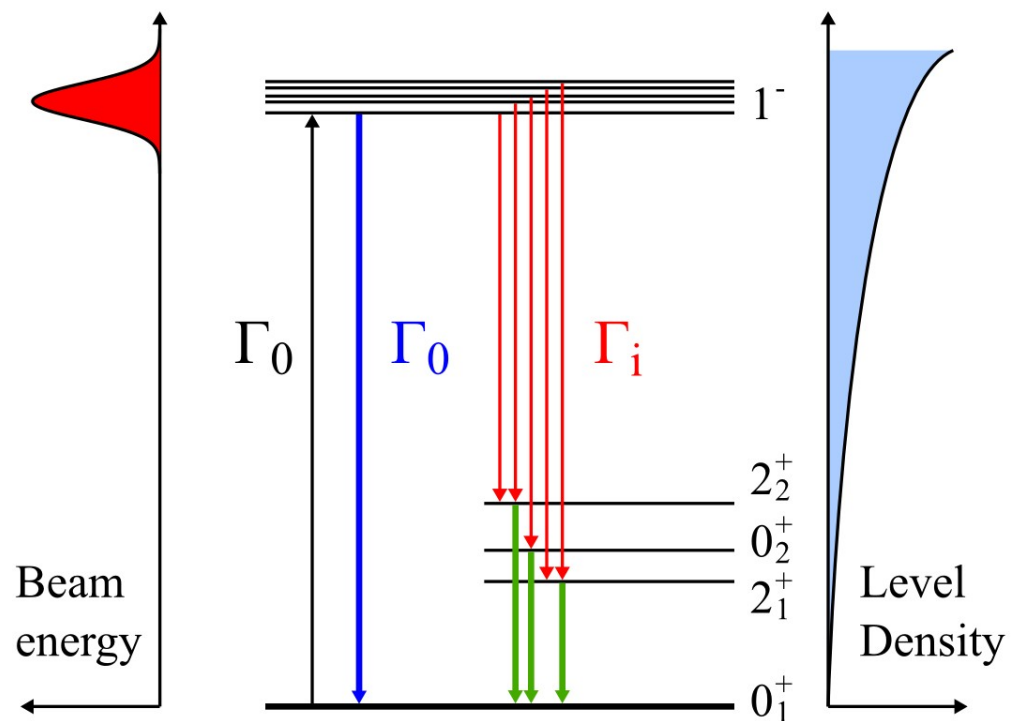


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- Detect two photons in coincidence
→ **High photo peak efficiency** needed



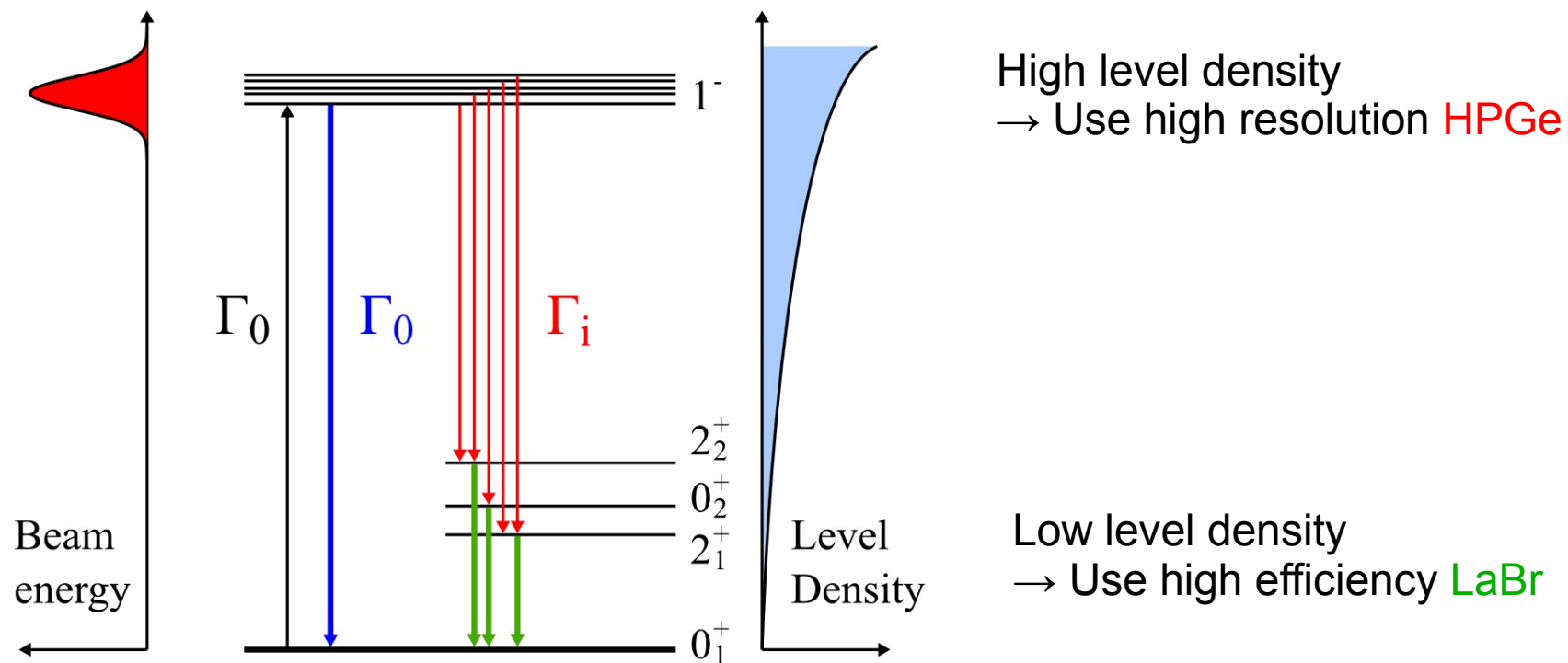
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High level density
 → Use high resolution **HPGe**



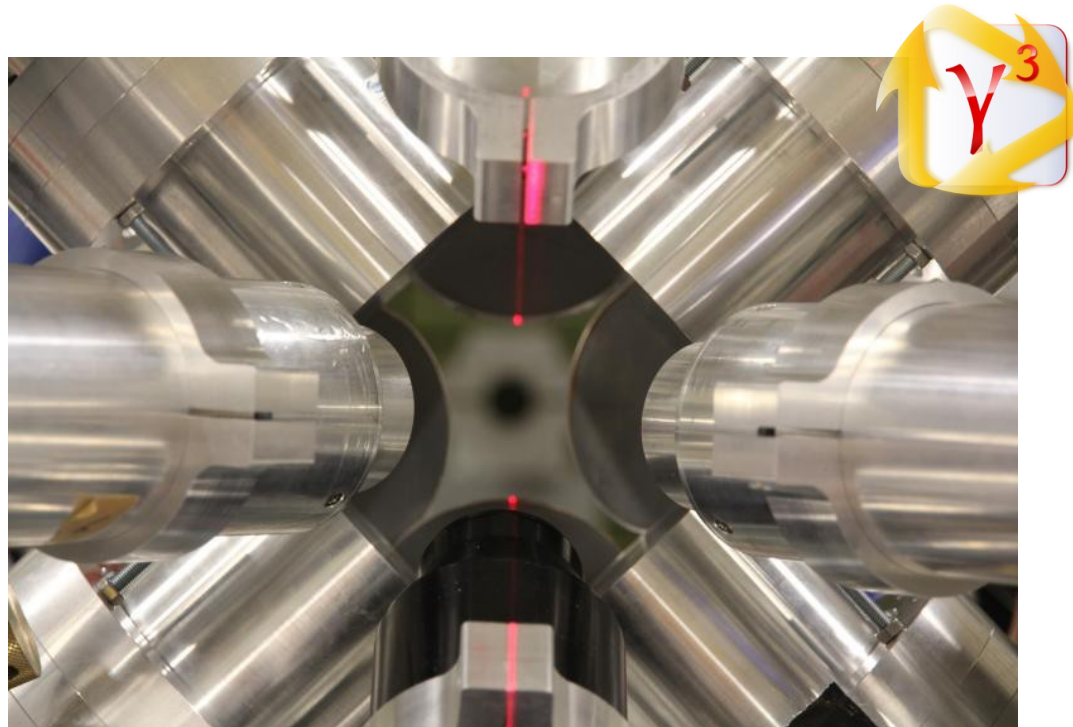
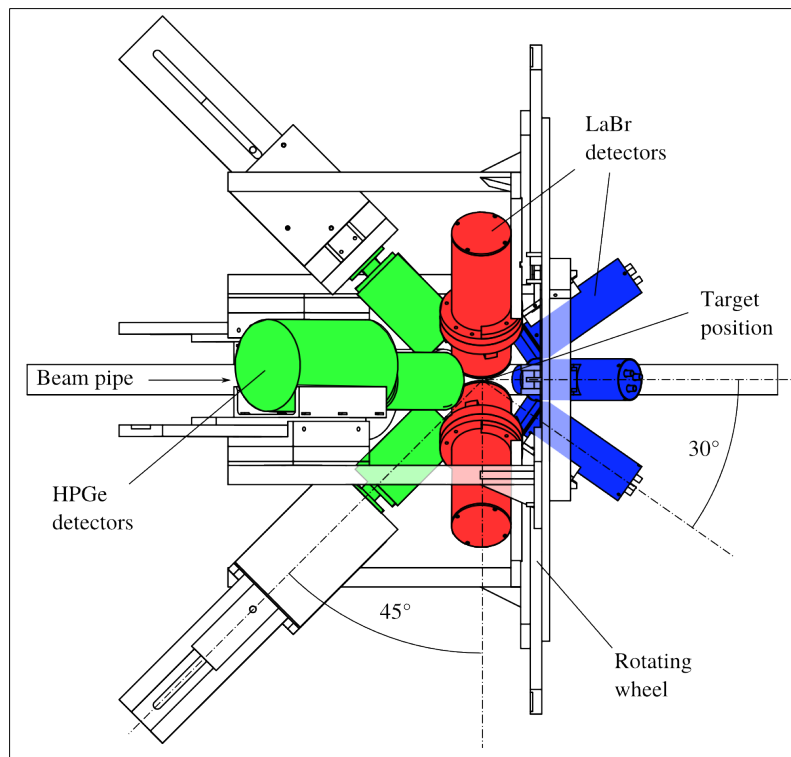
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- Combine HPGe with LaBr detectors



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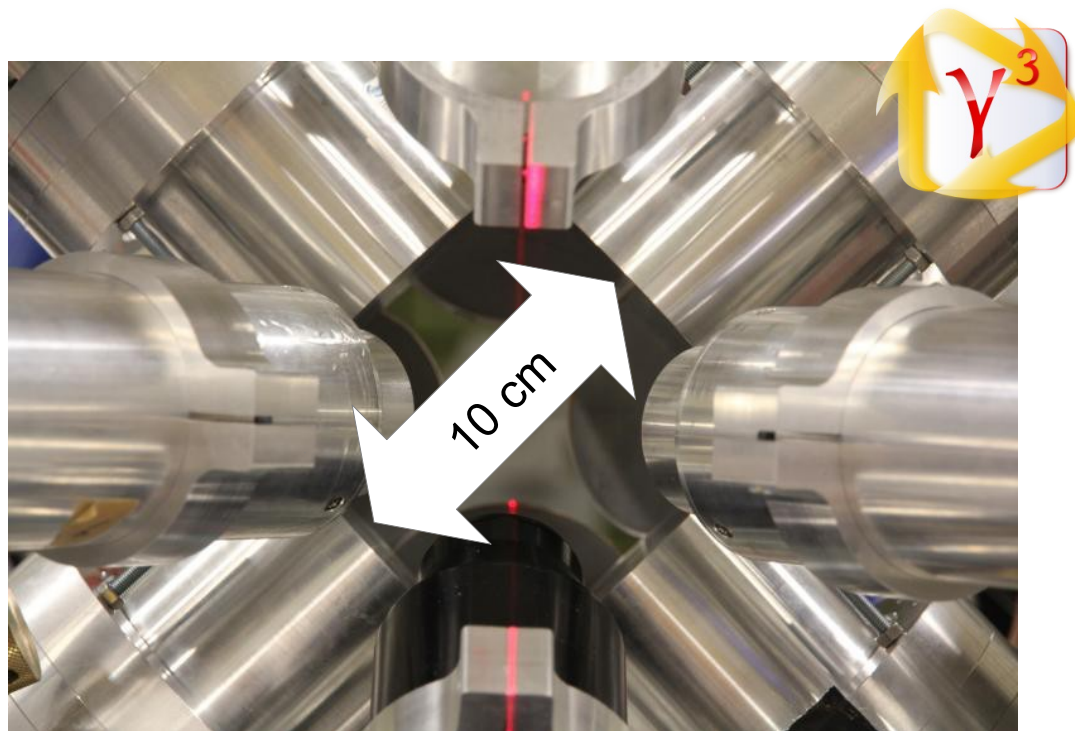
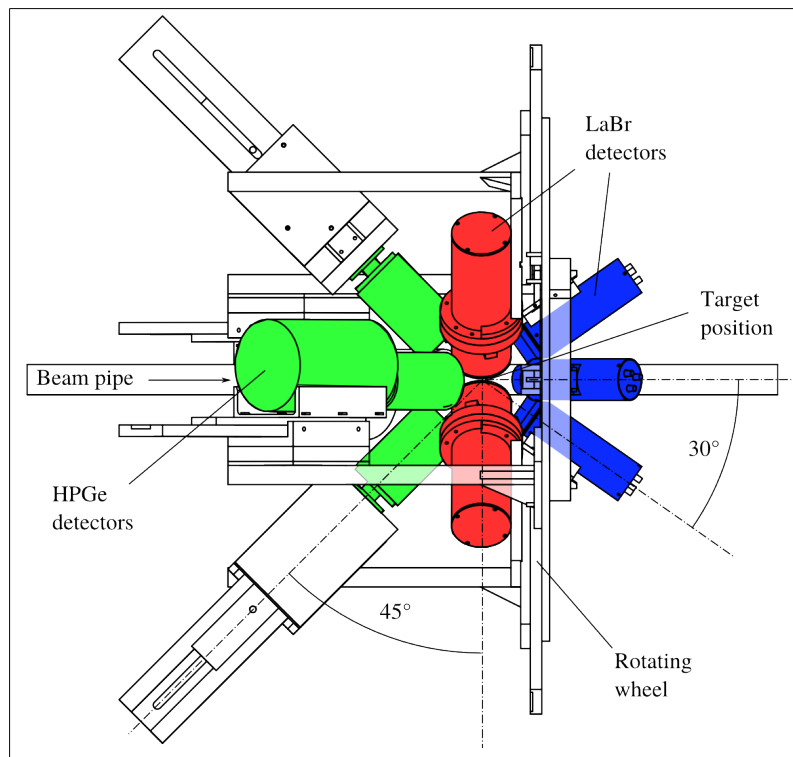
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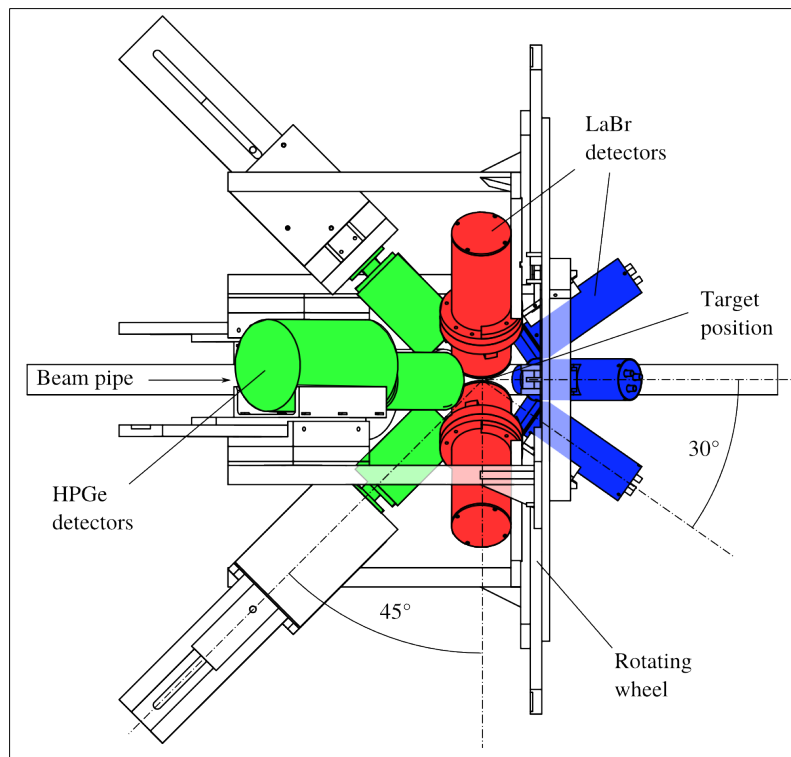
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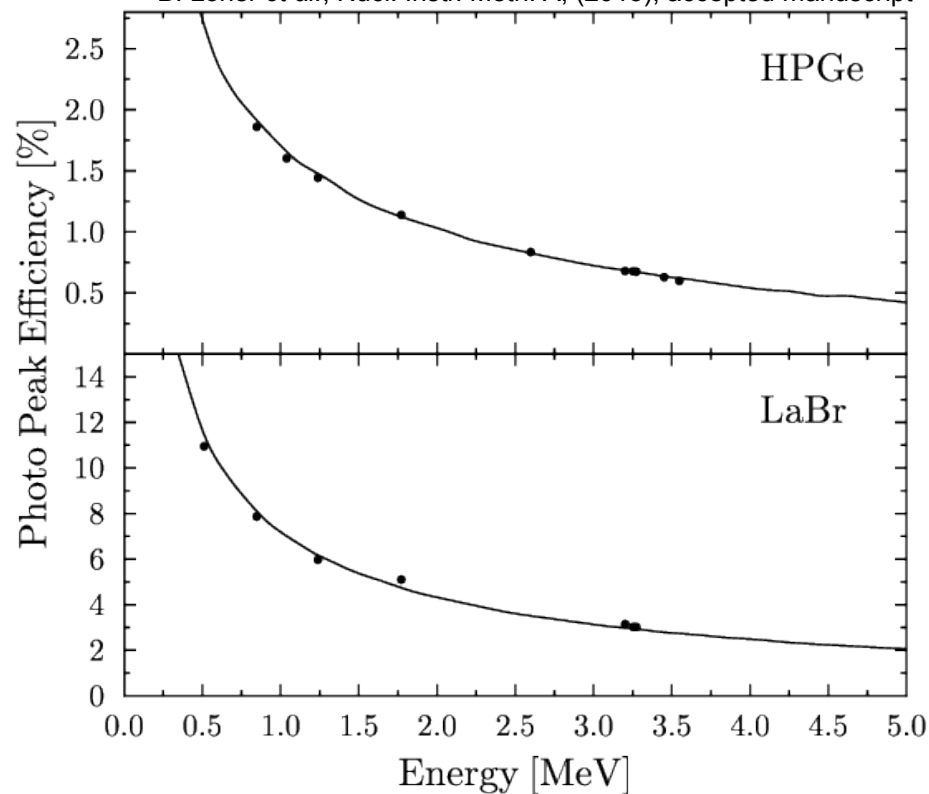
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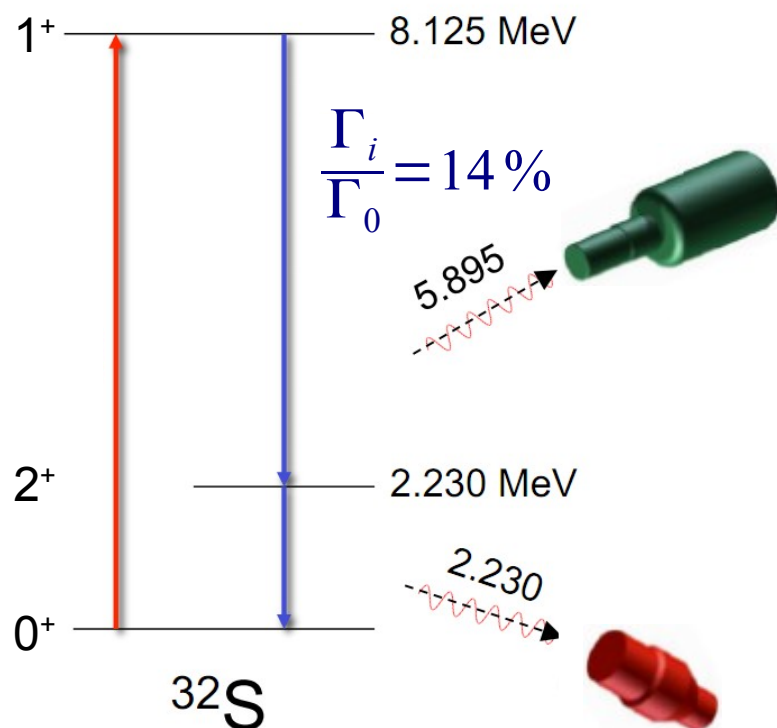


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- Total efficiency: **6% + 1.3% @ 1.3 MeV** (LaBr+HPGe)



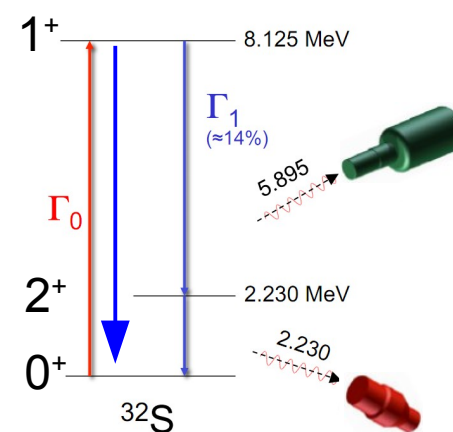
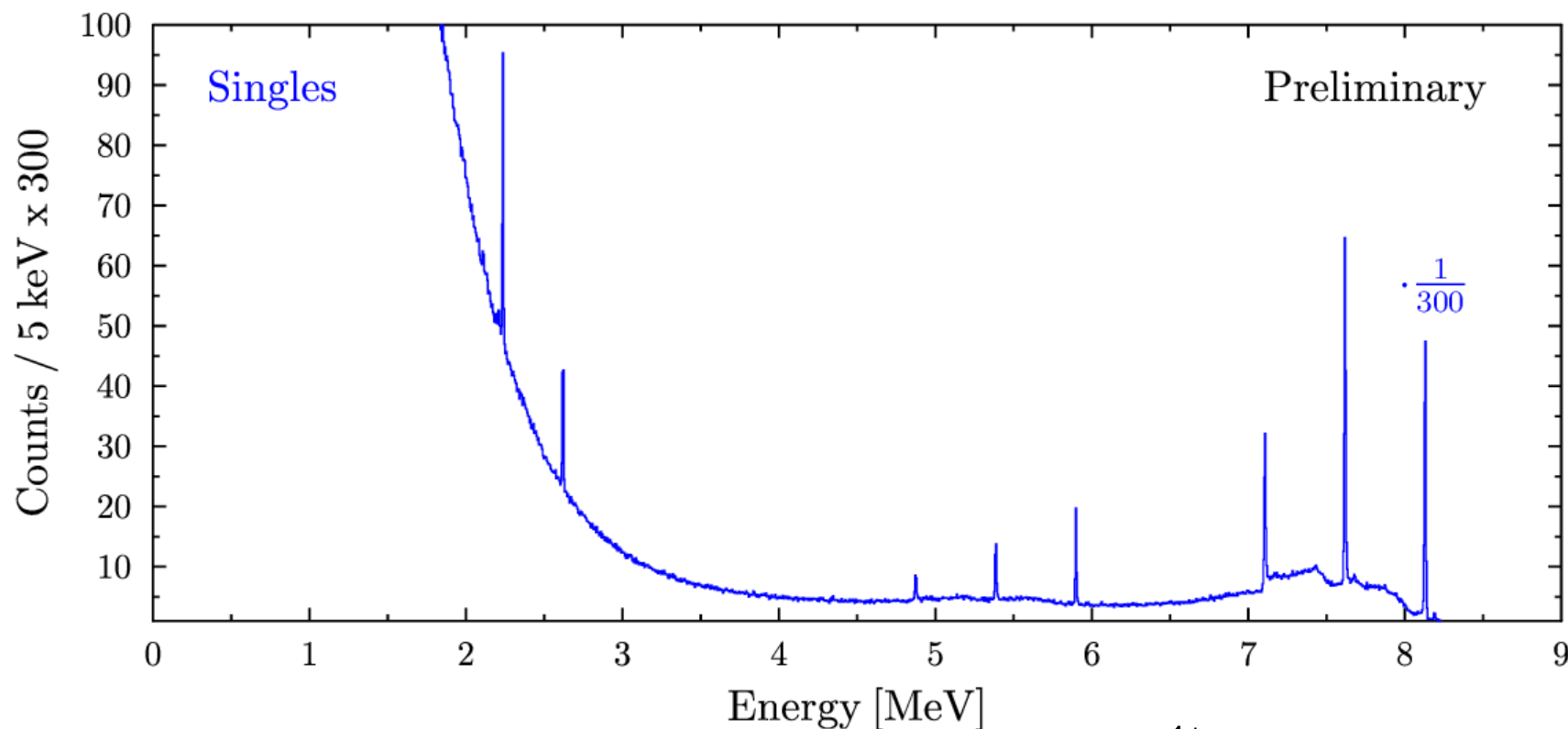
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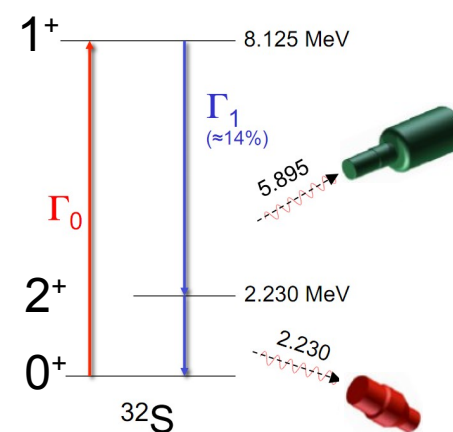
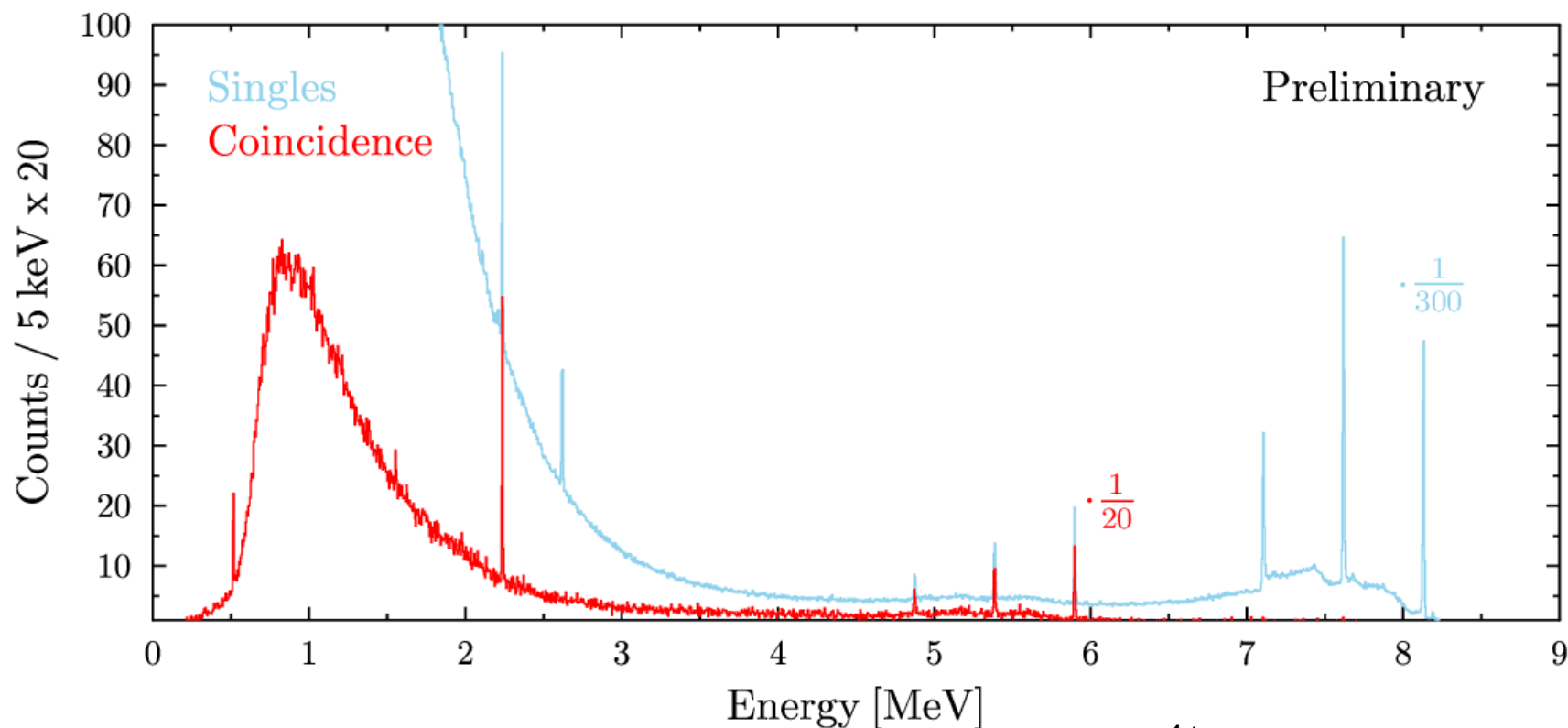
Full setup with 4x HPGe (60%) + 4x 3"x3" LaBr

- Target: ^{32}S @ 8.125 MeV beam energy
- Beam on Target: Only 4 h

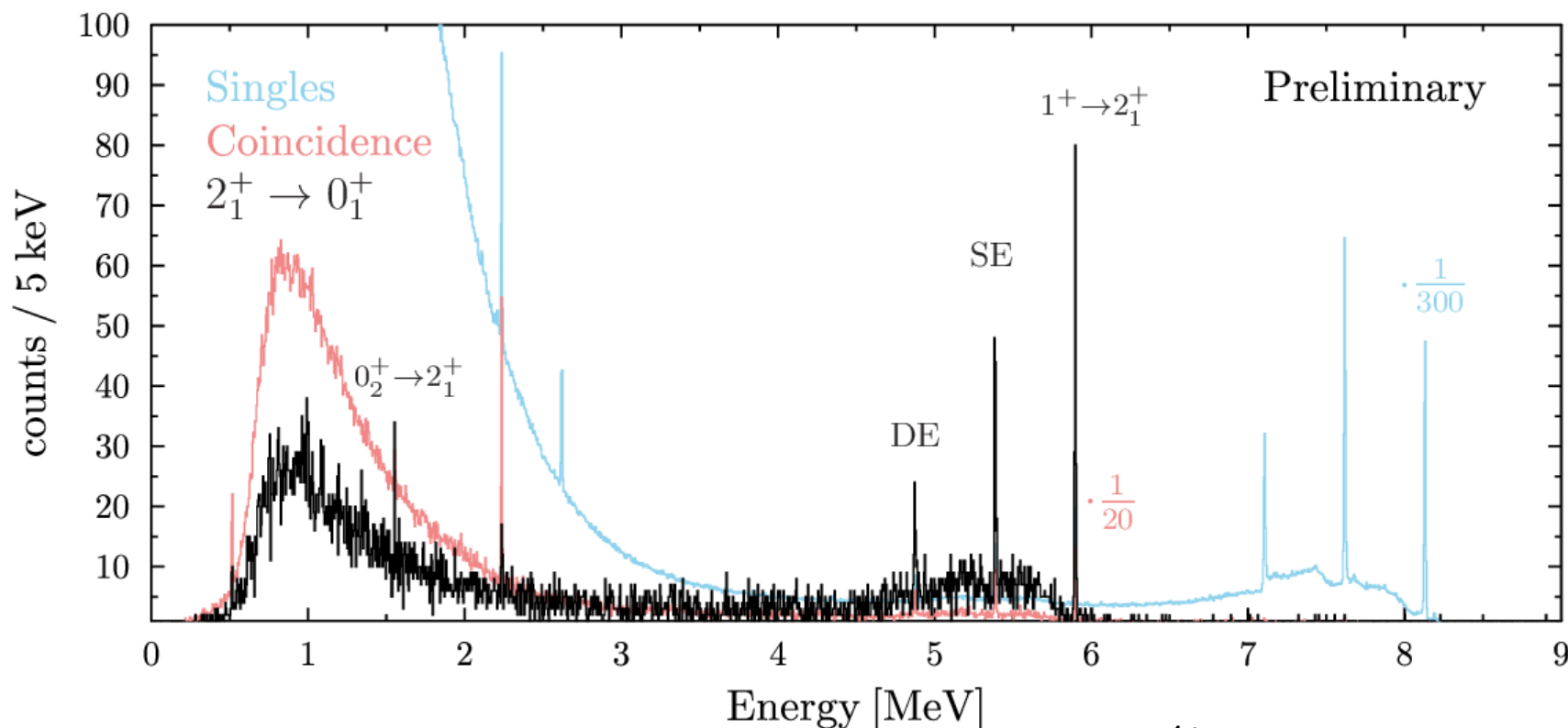
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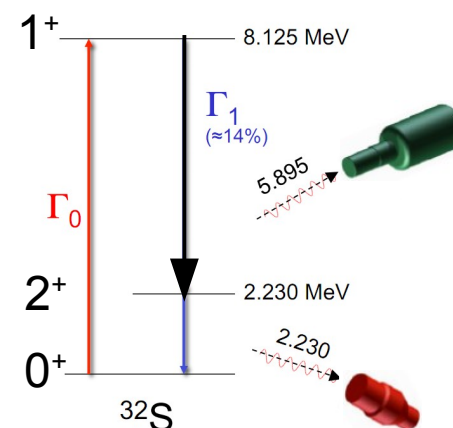


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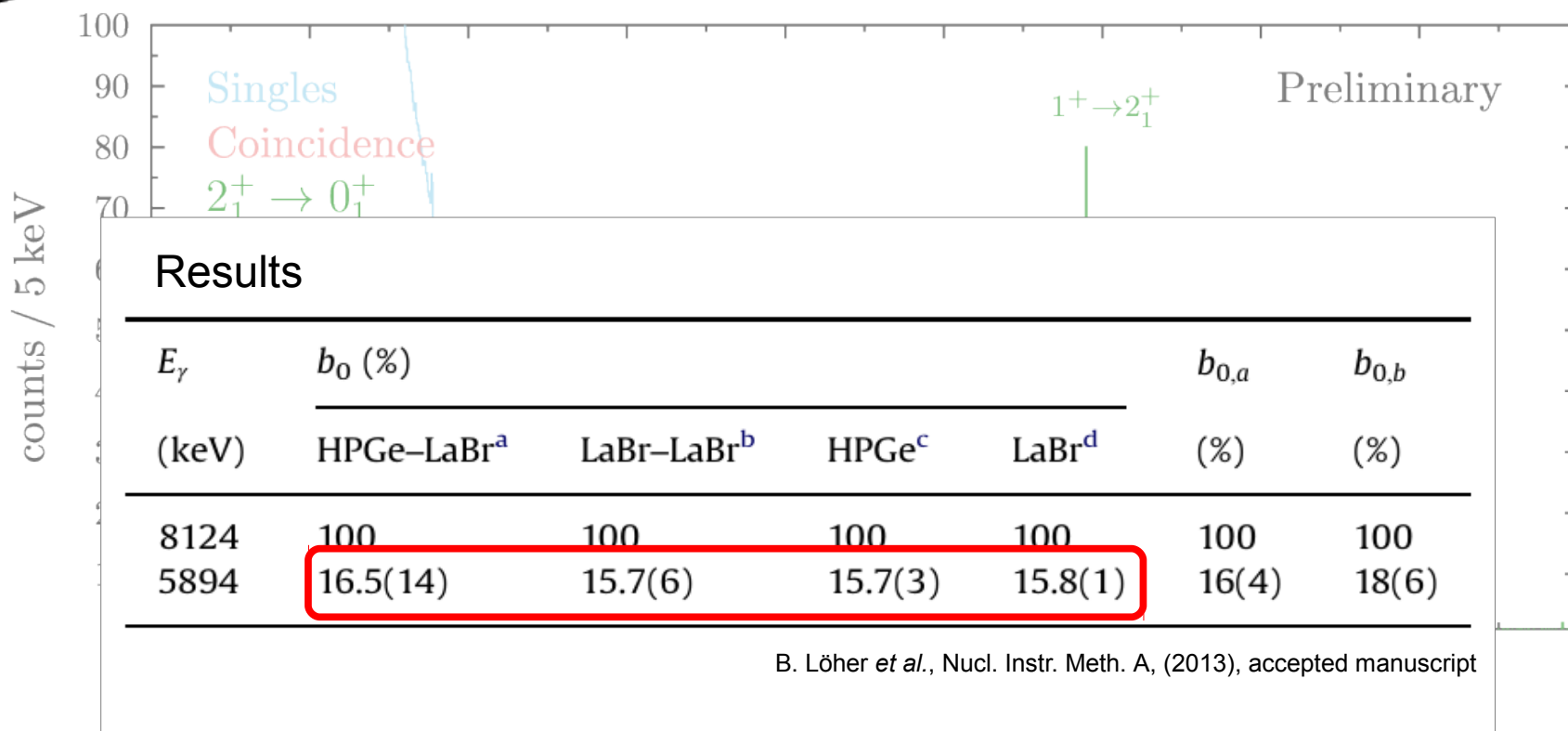
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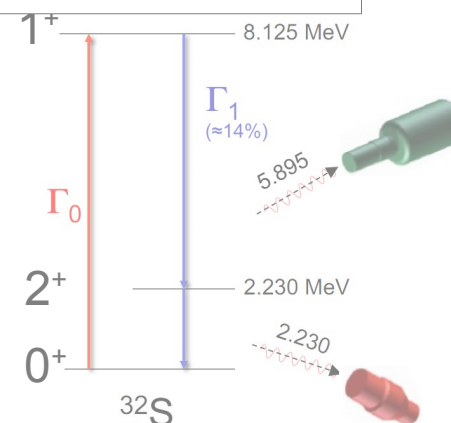
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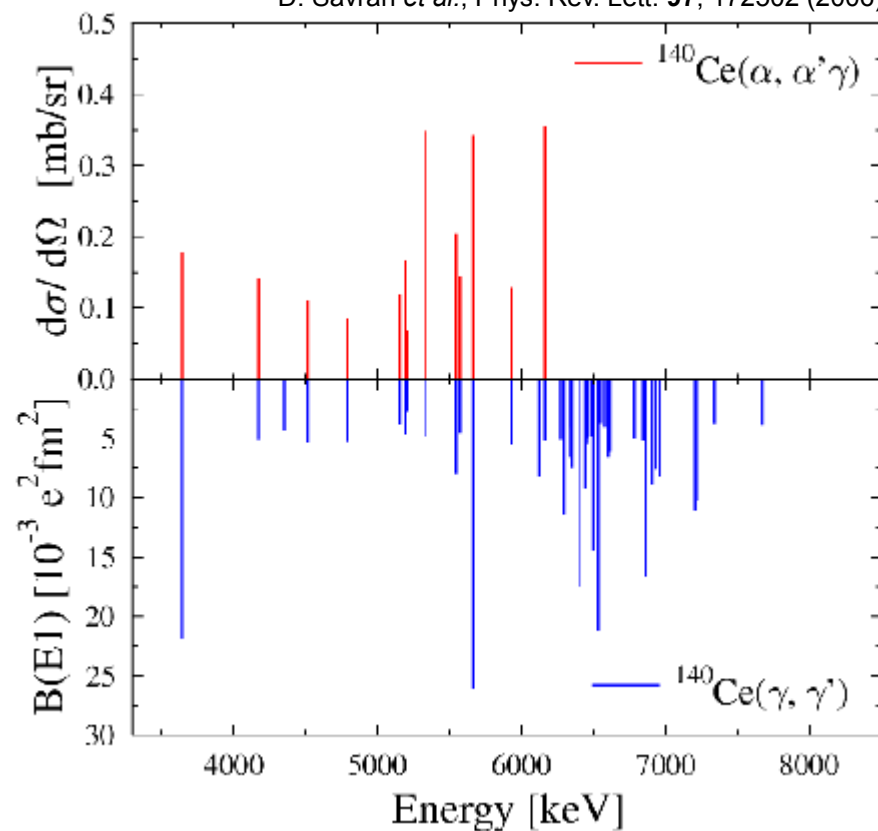
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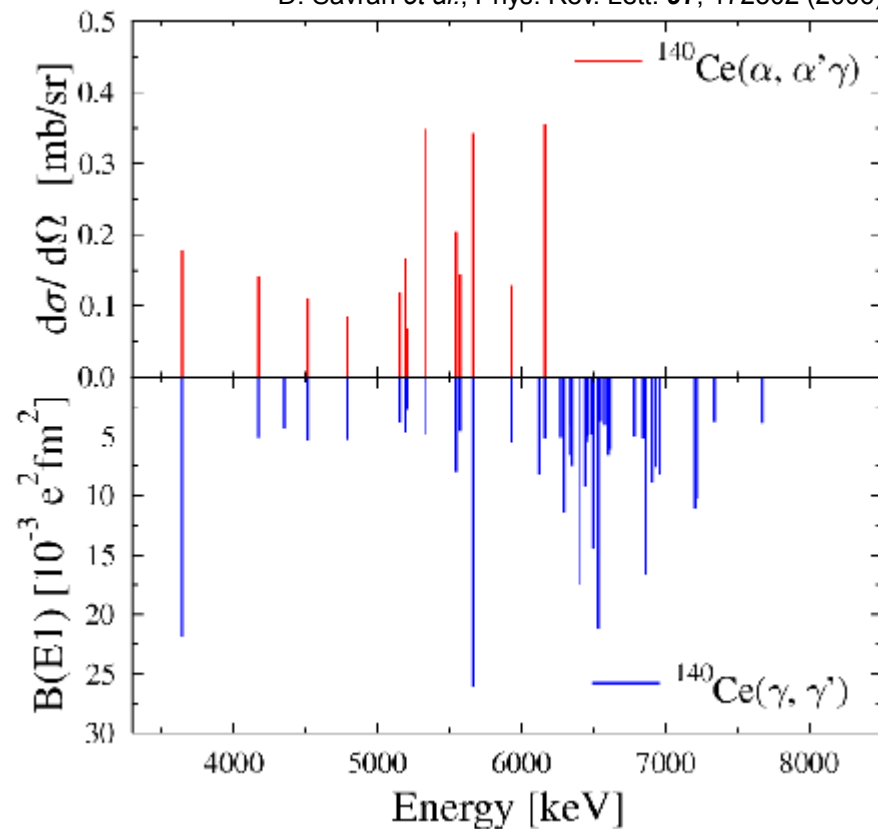
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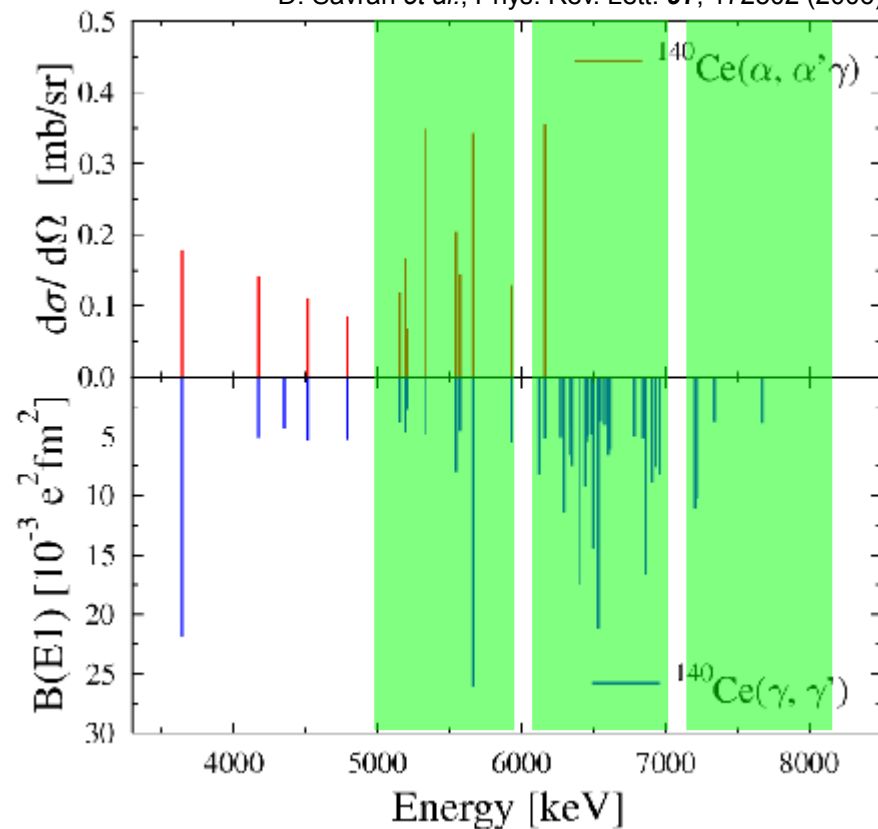
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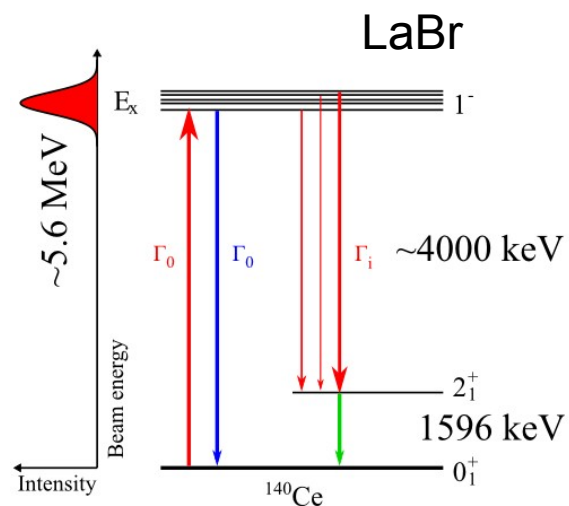
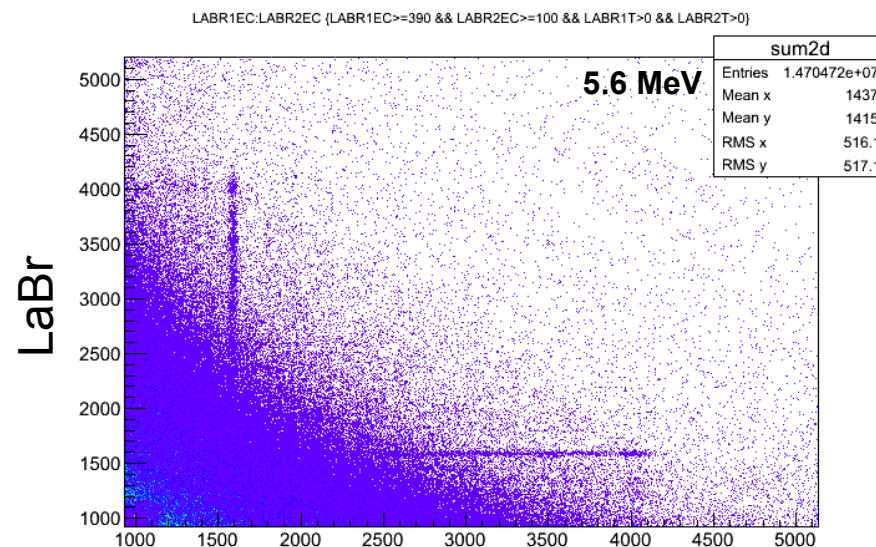
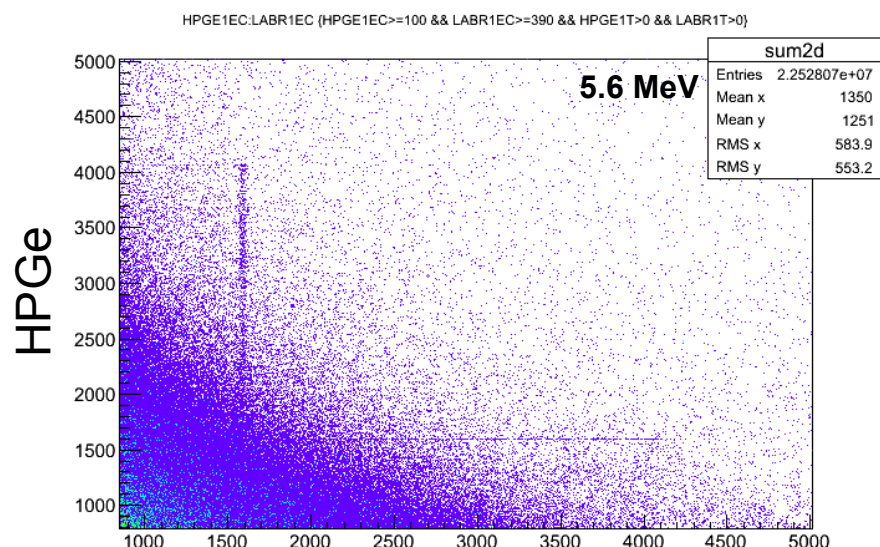
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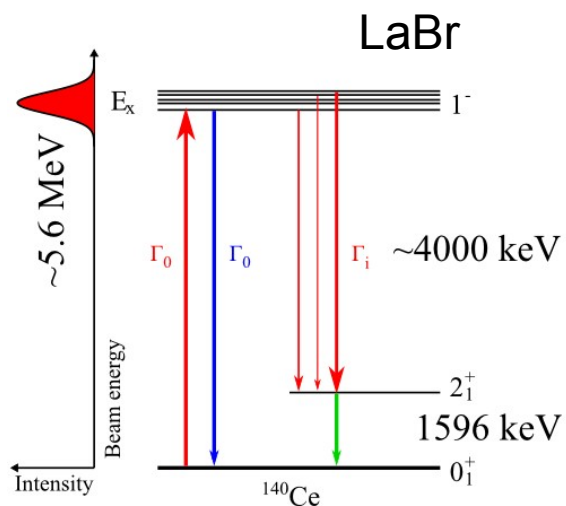
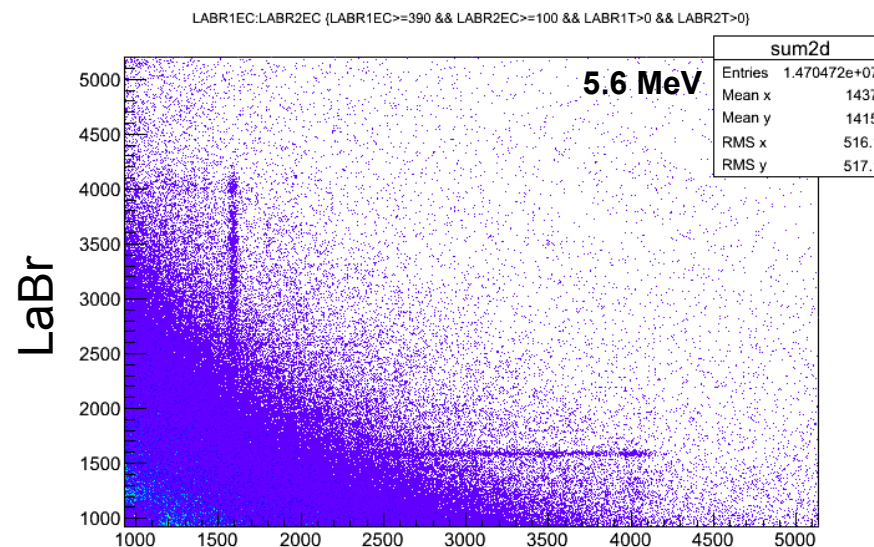
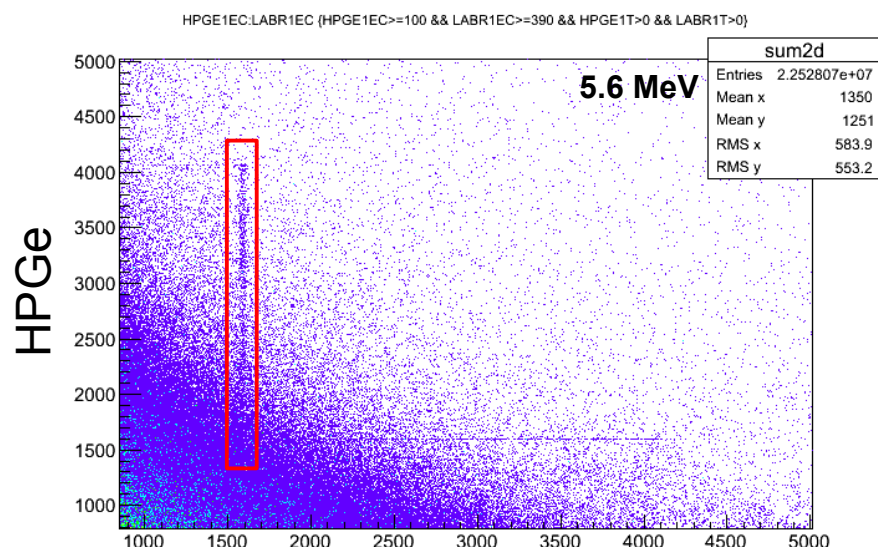
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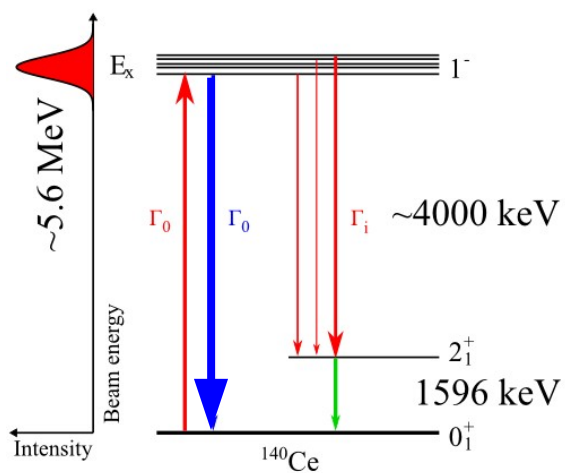
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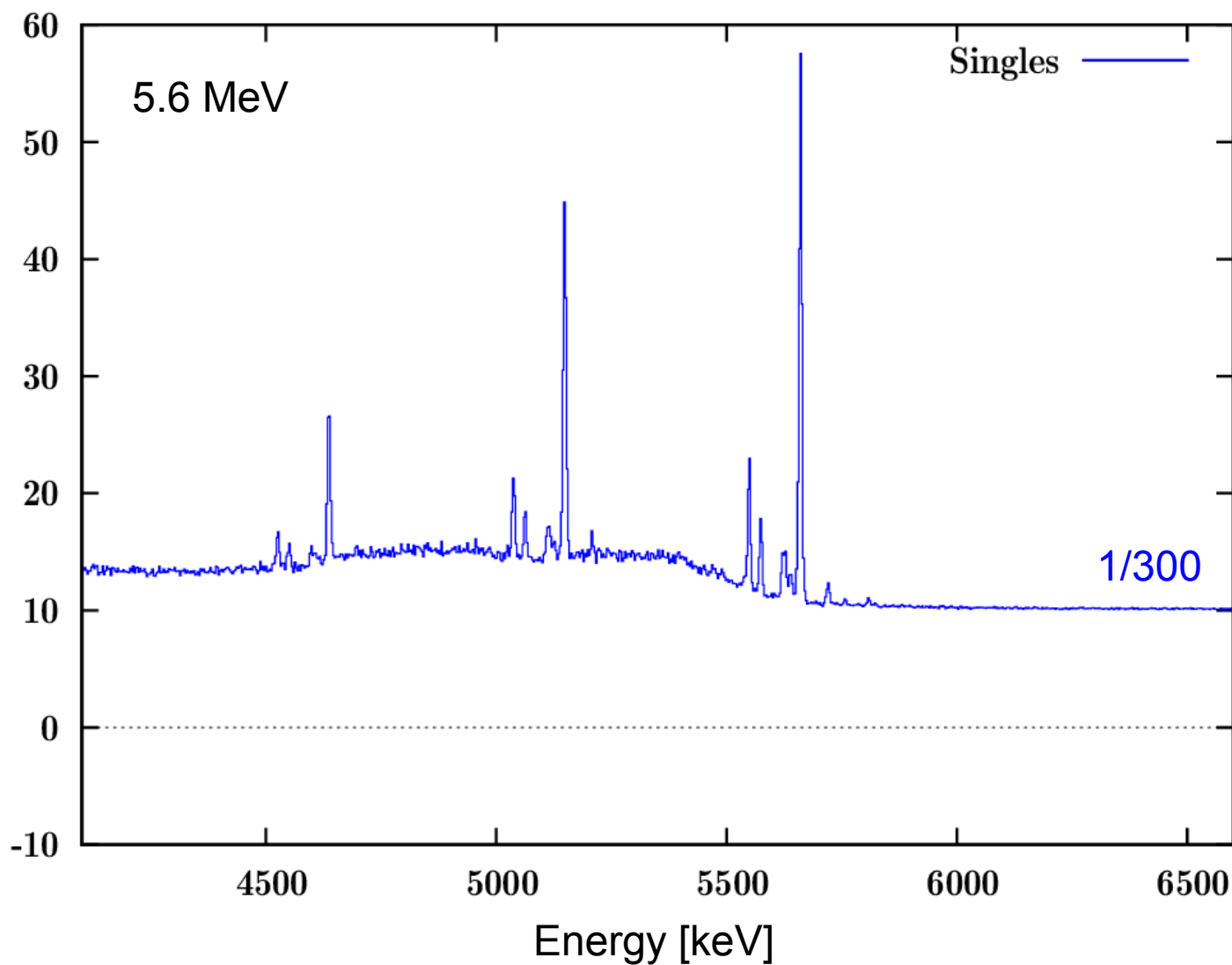


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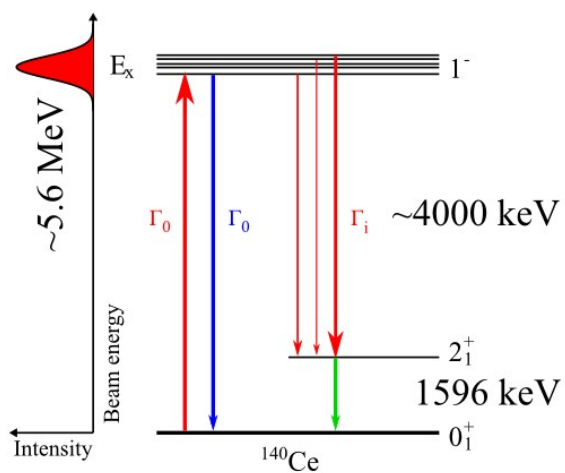
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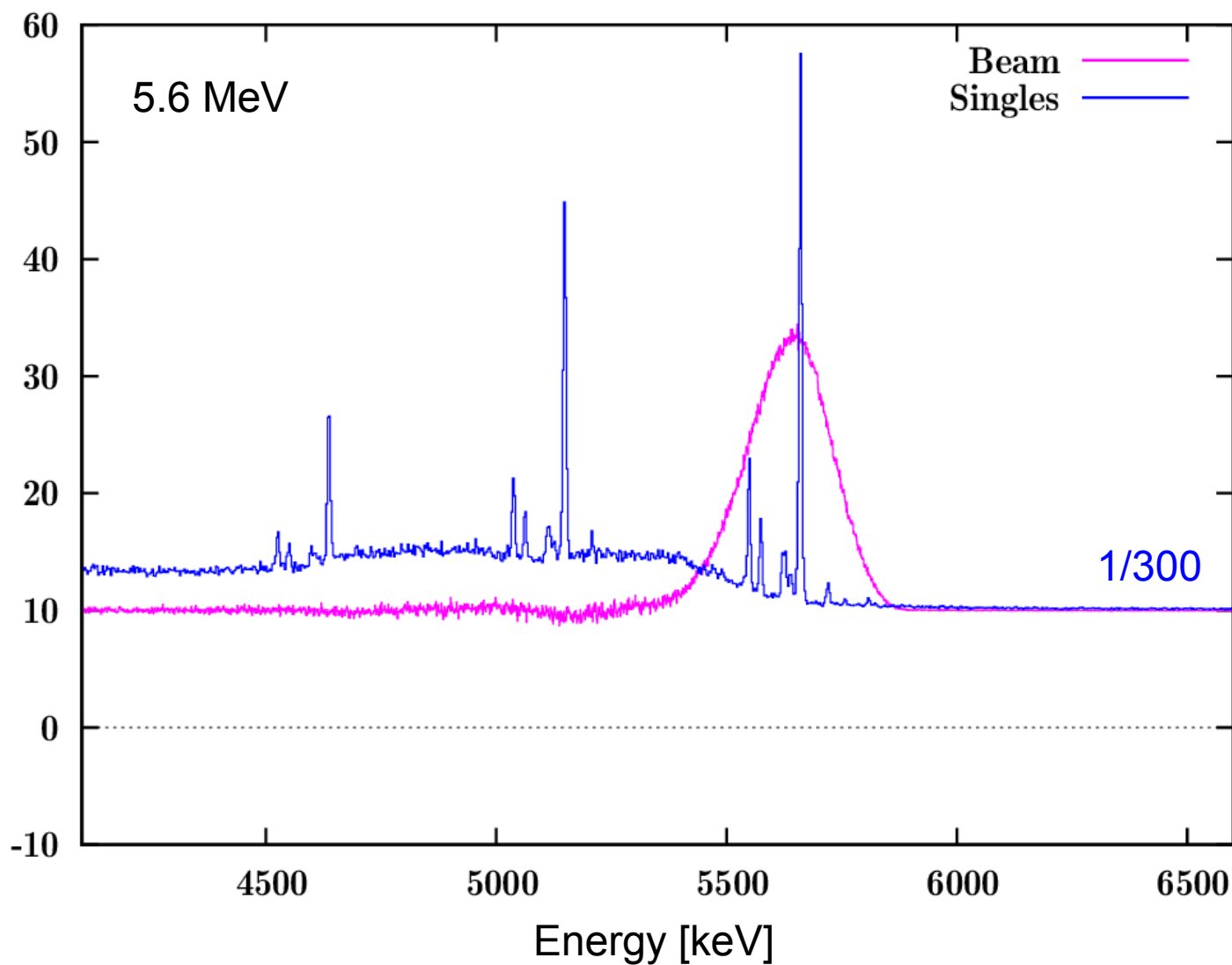


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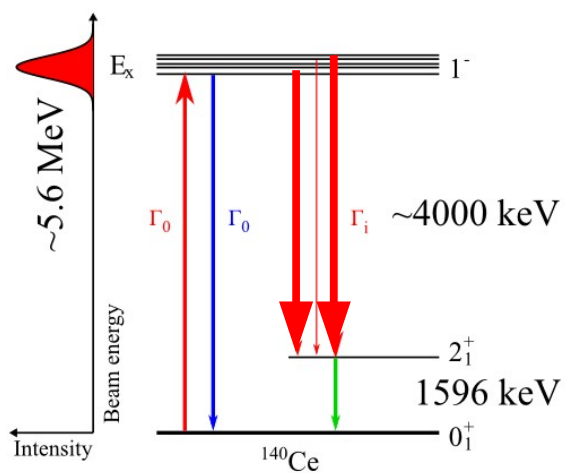
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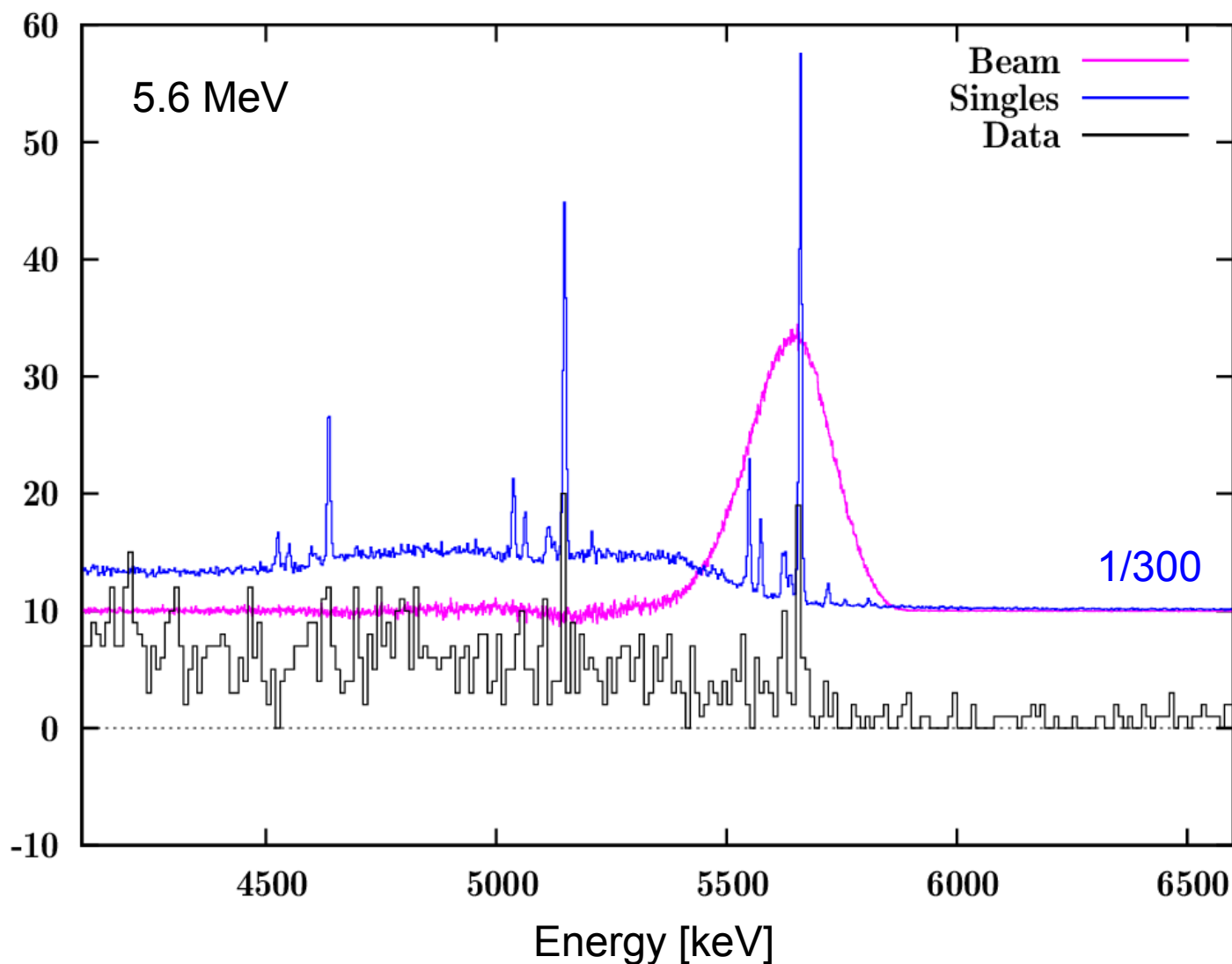


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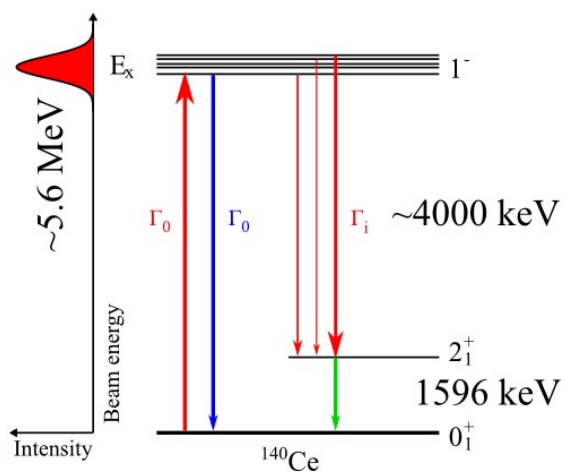
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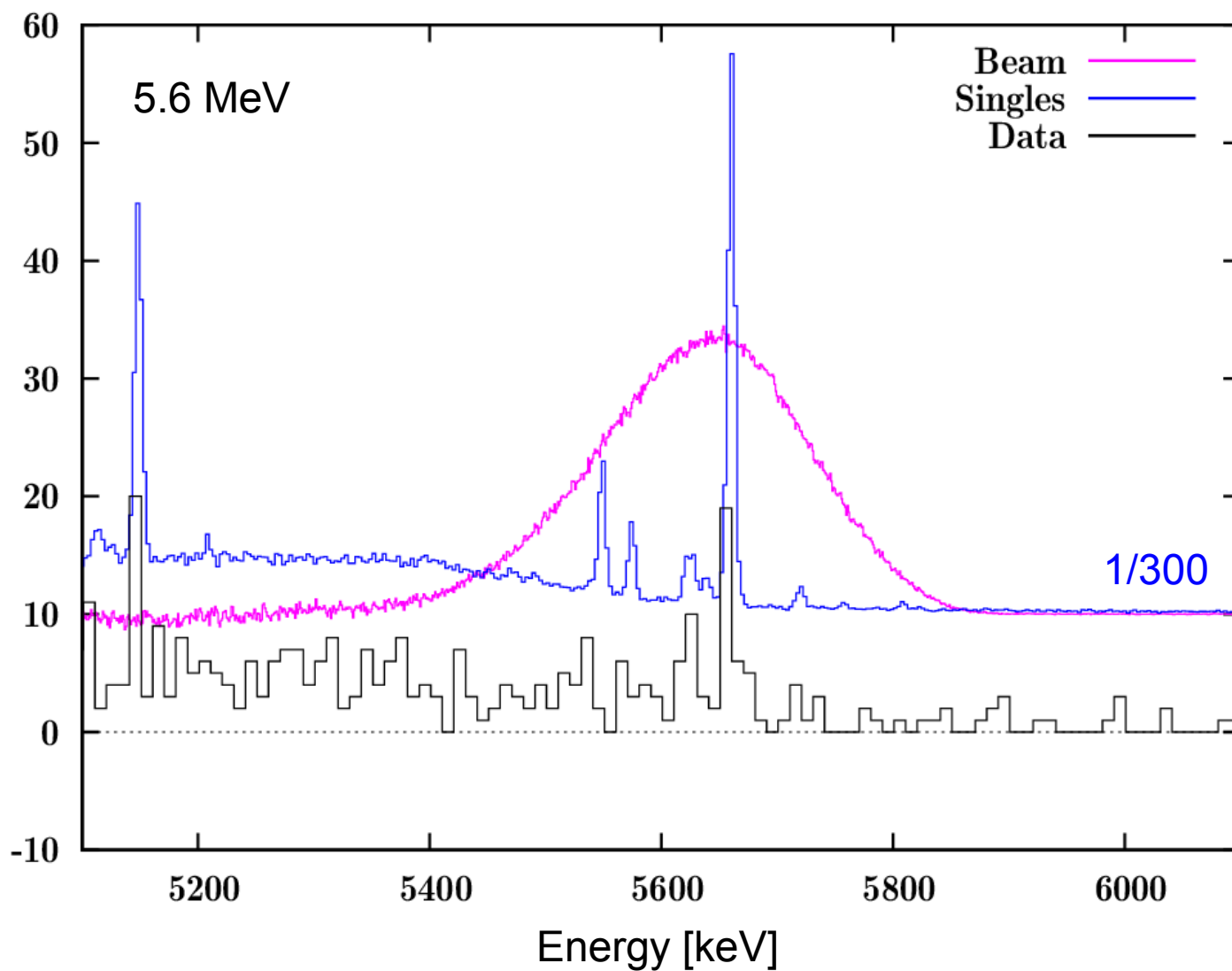


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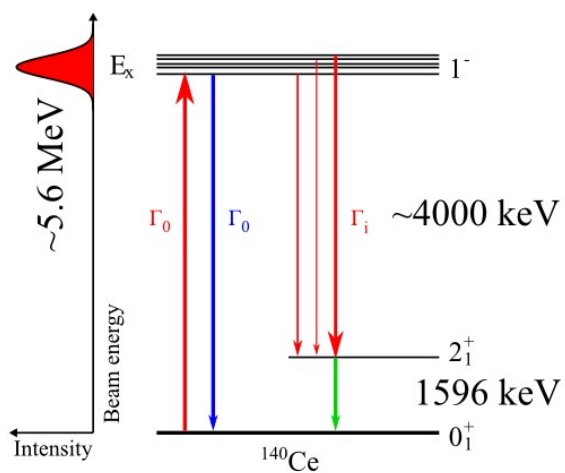
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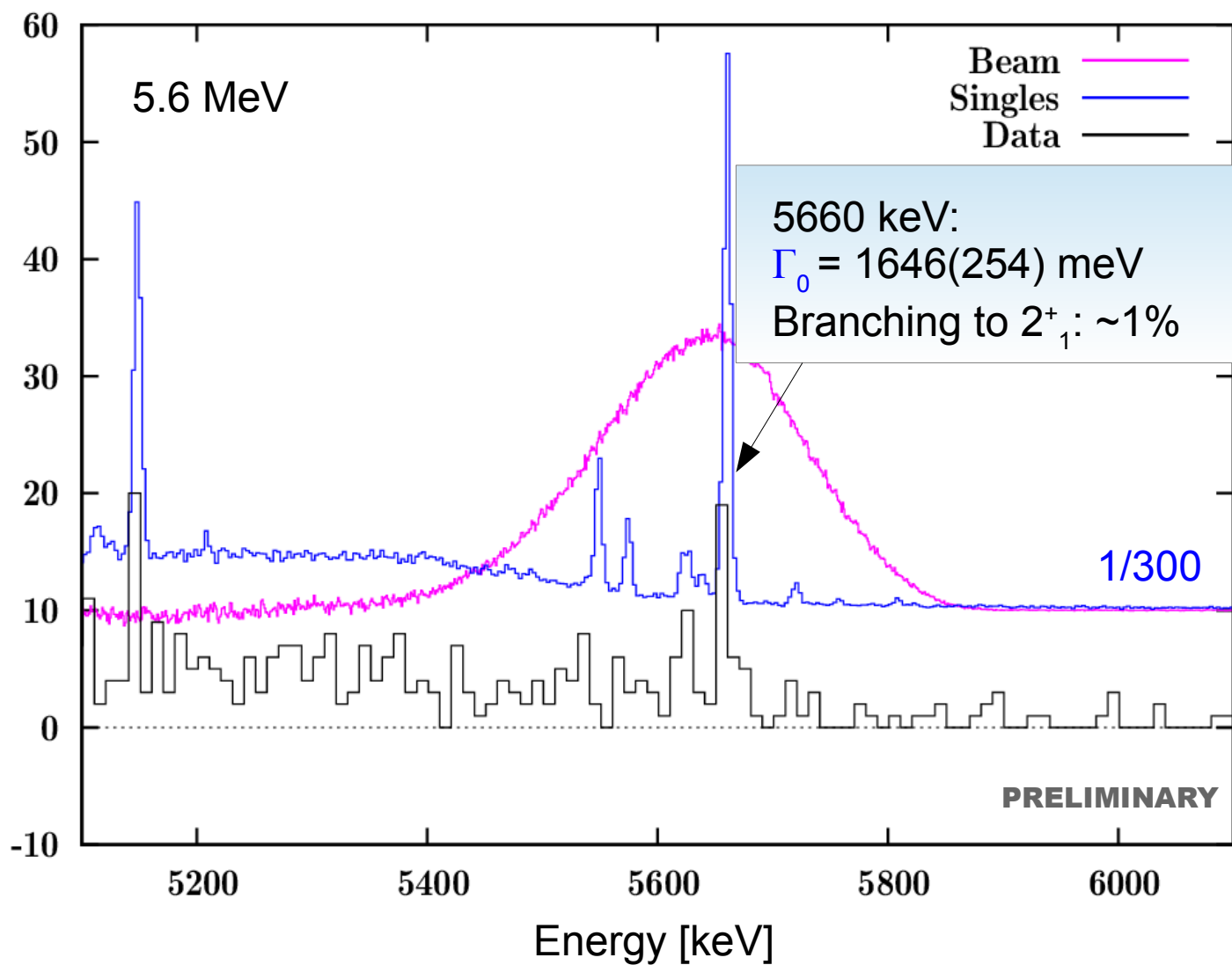


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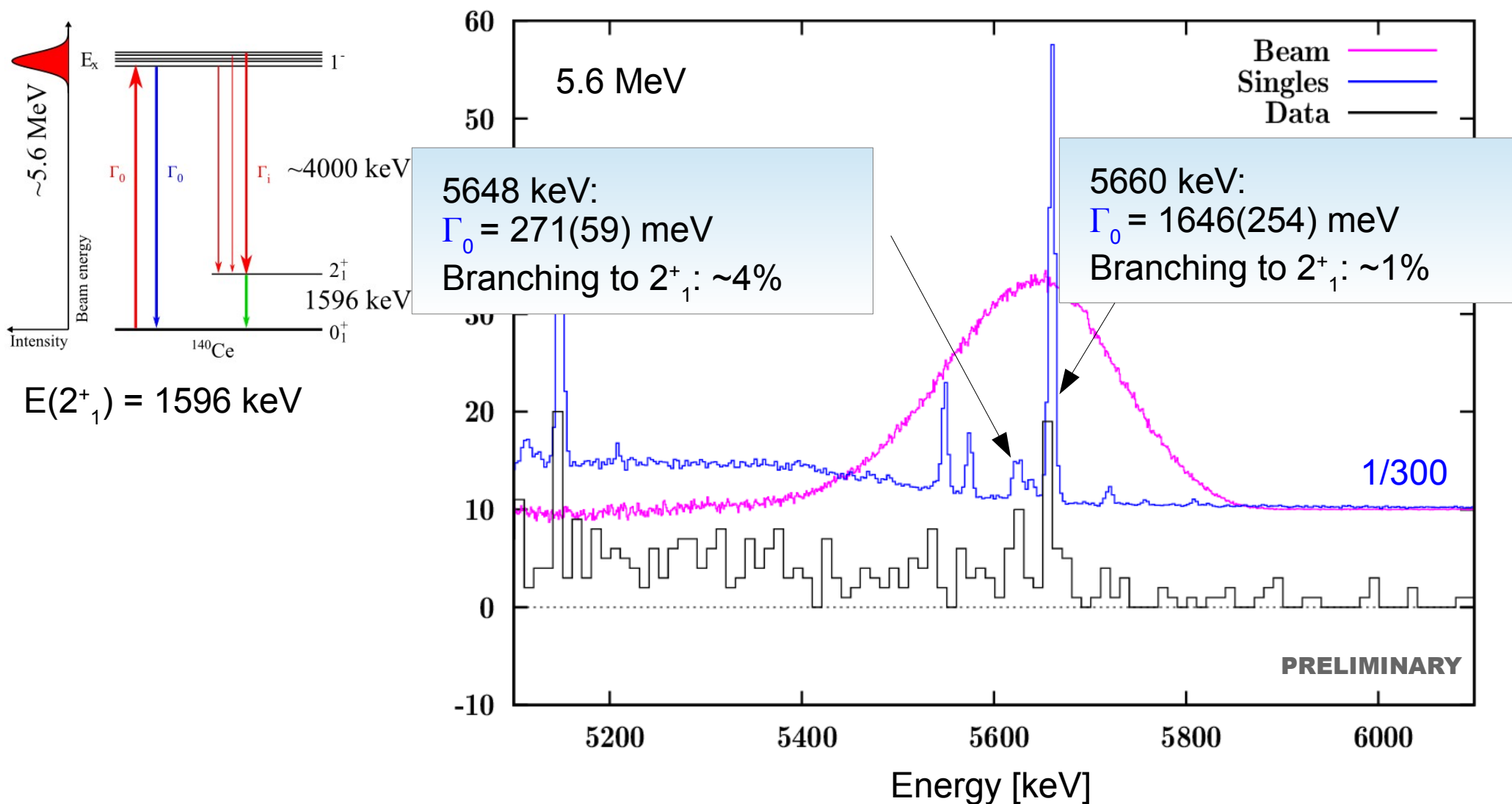
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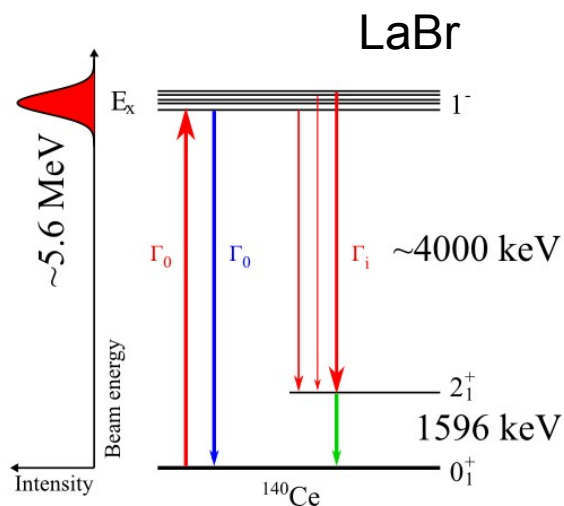
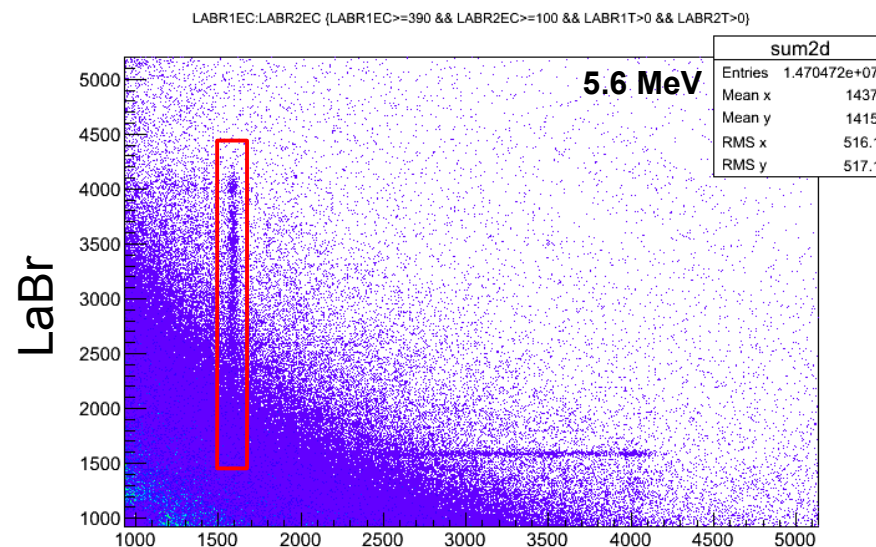
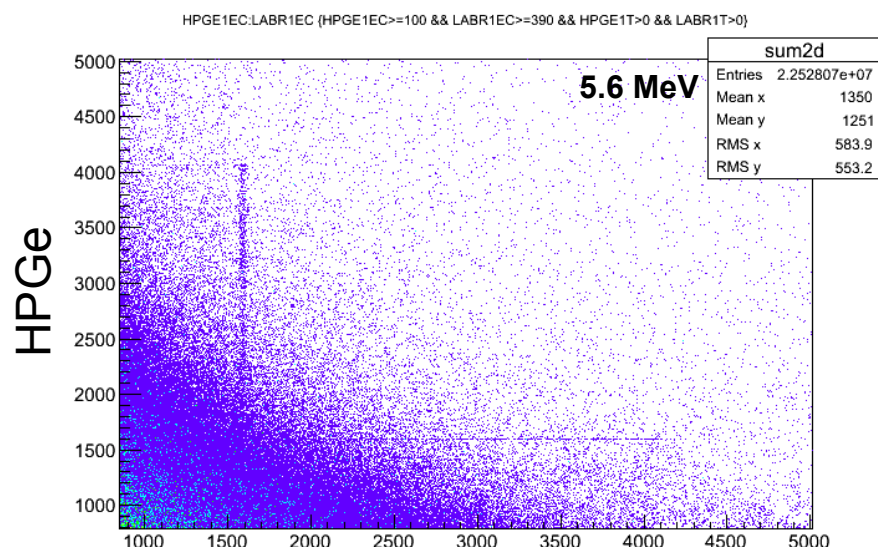
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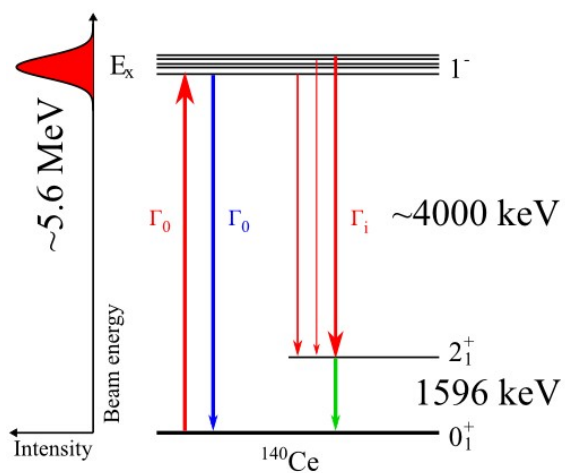
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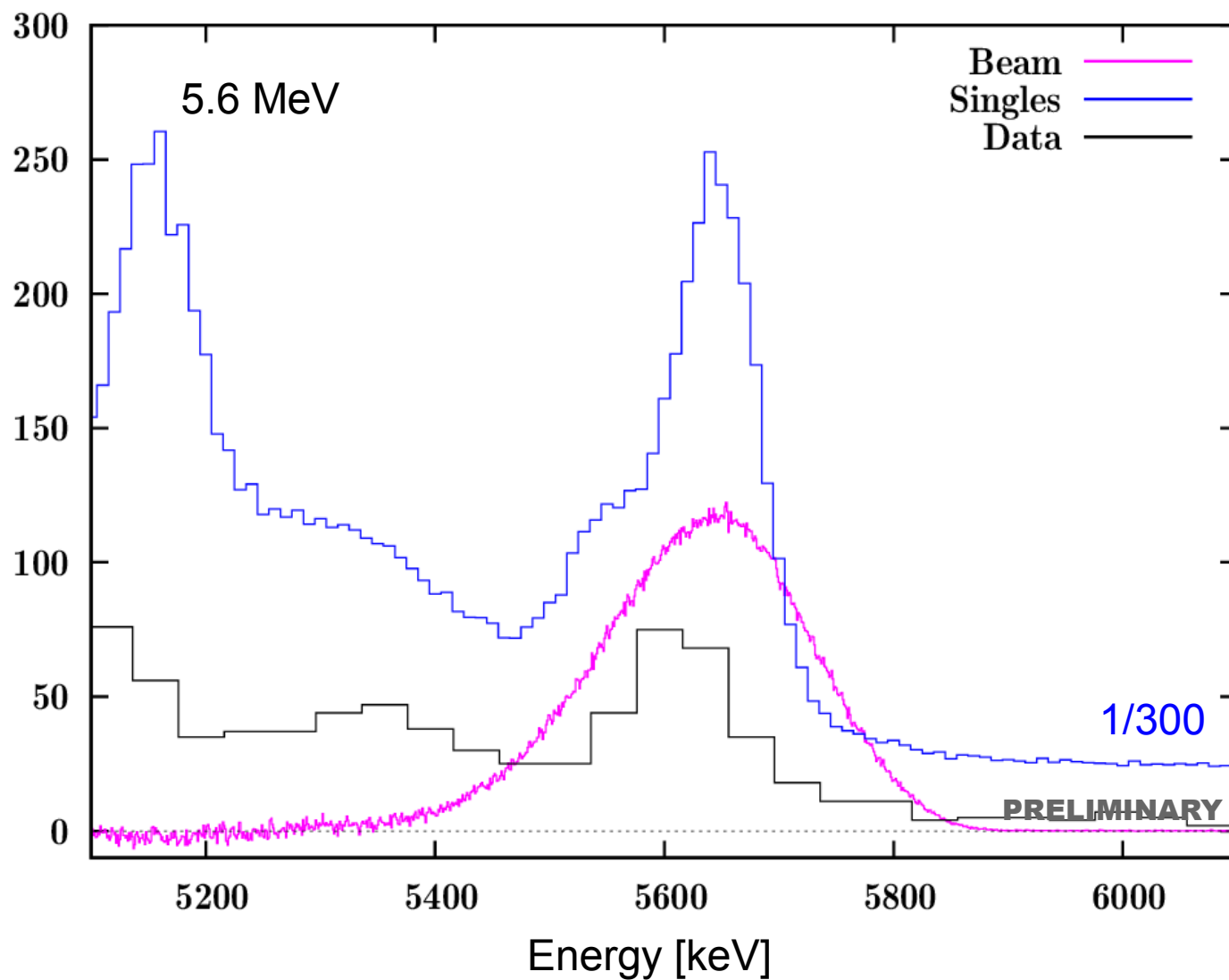


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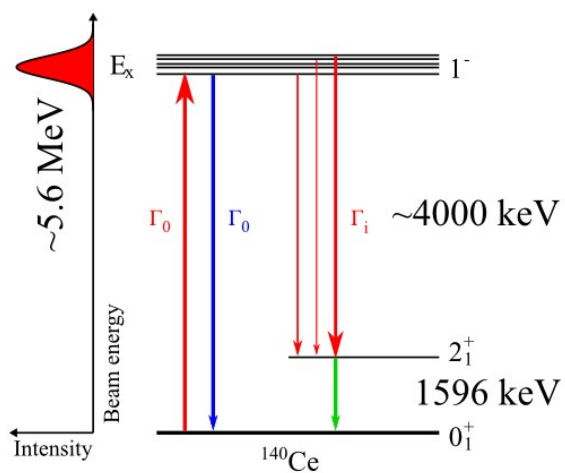
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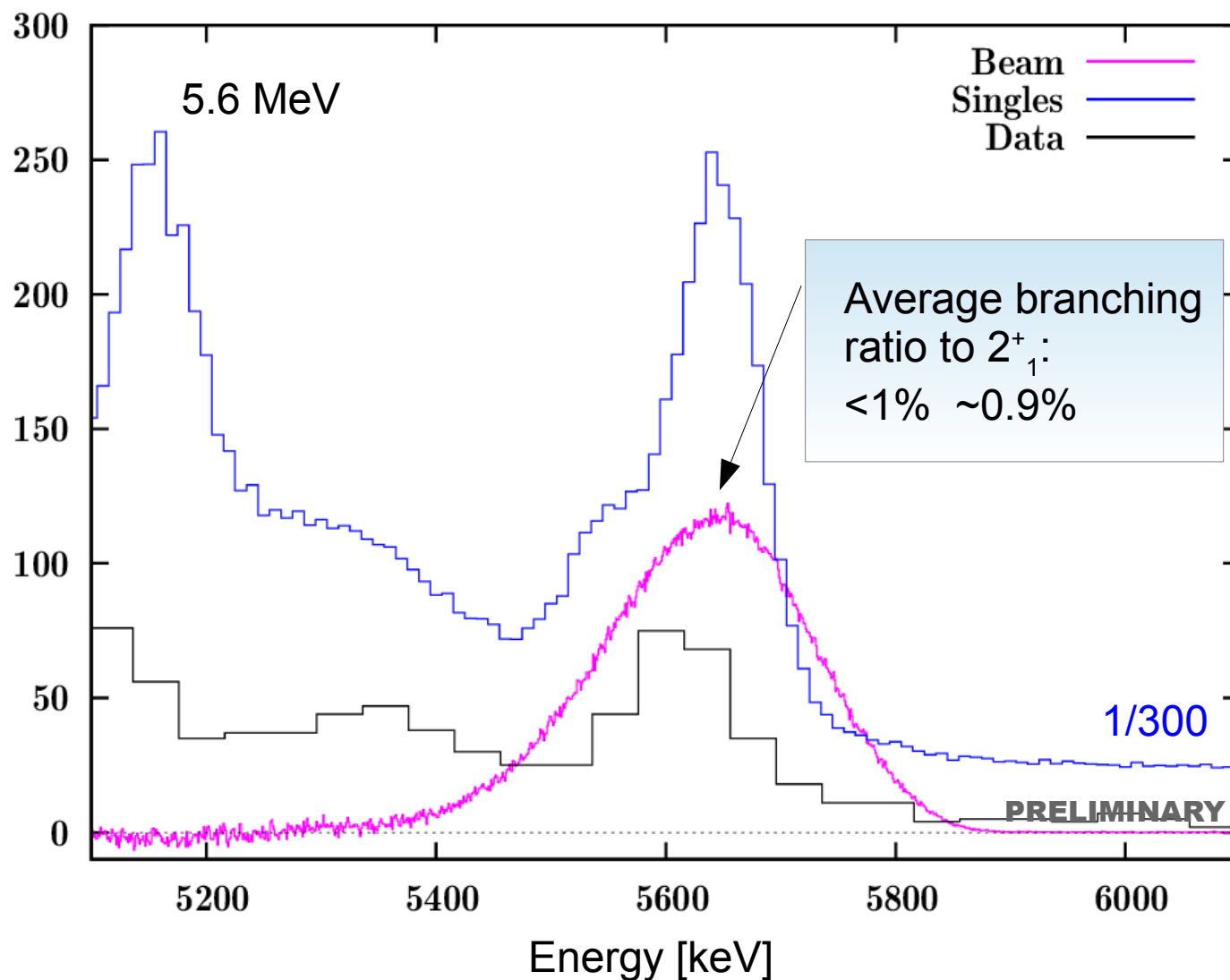


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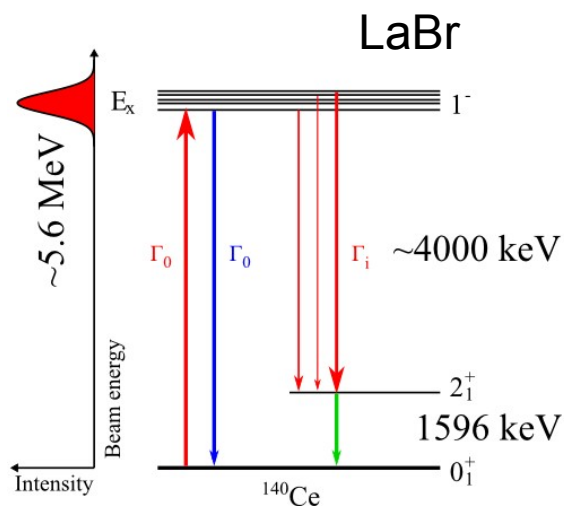
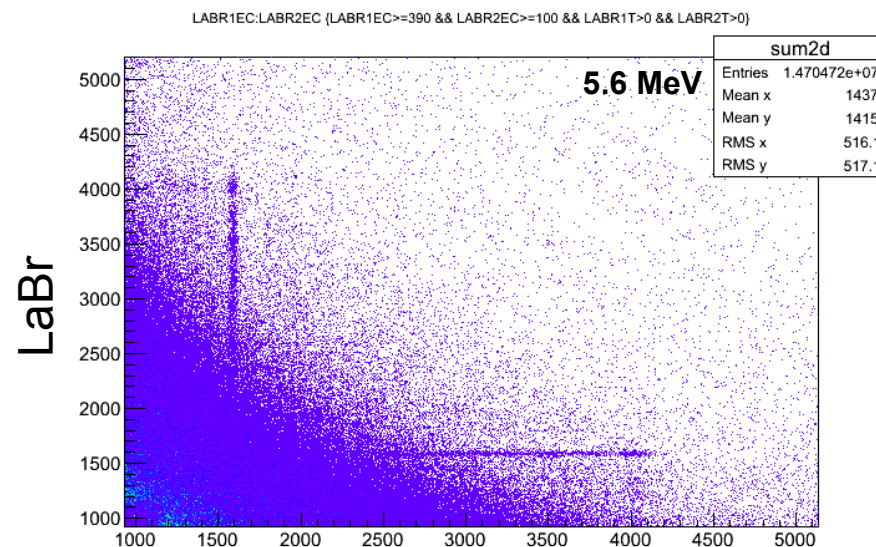
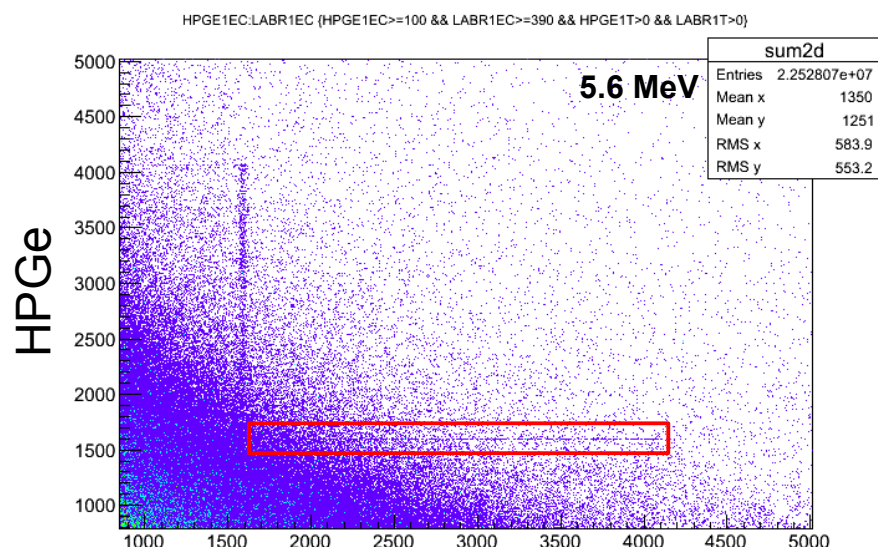
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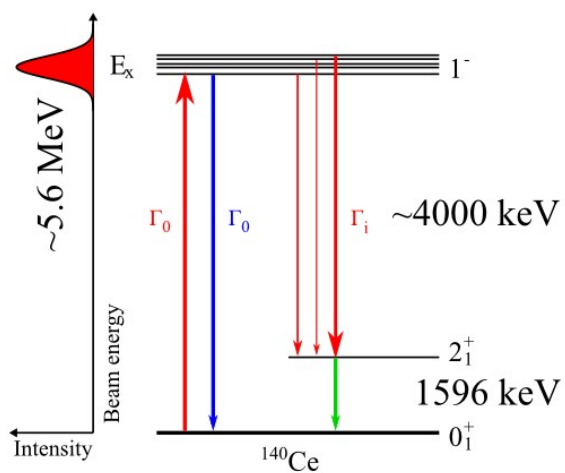
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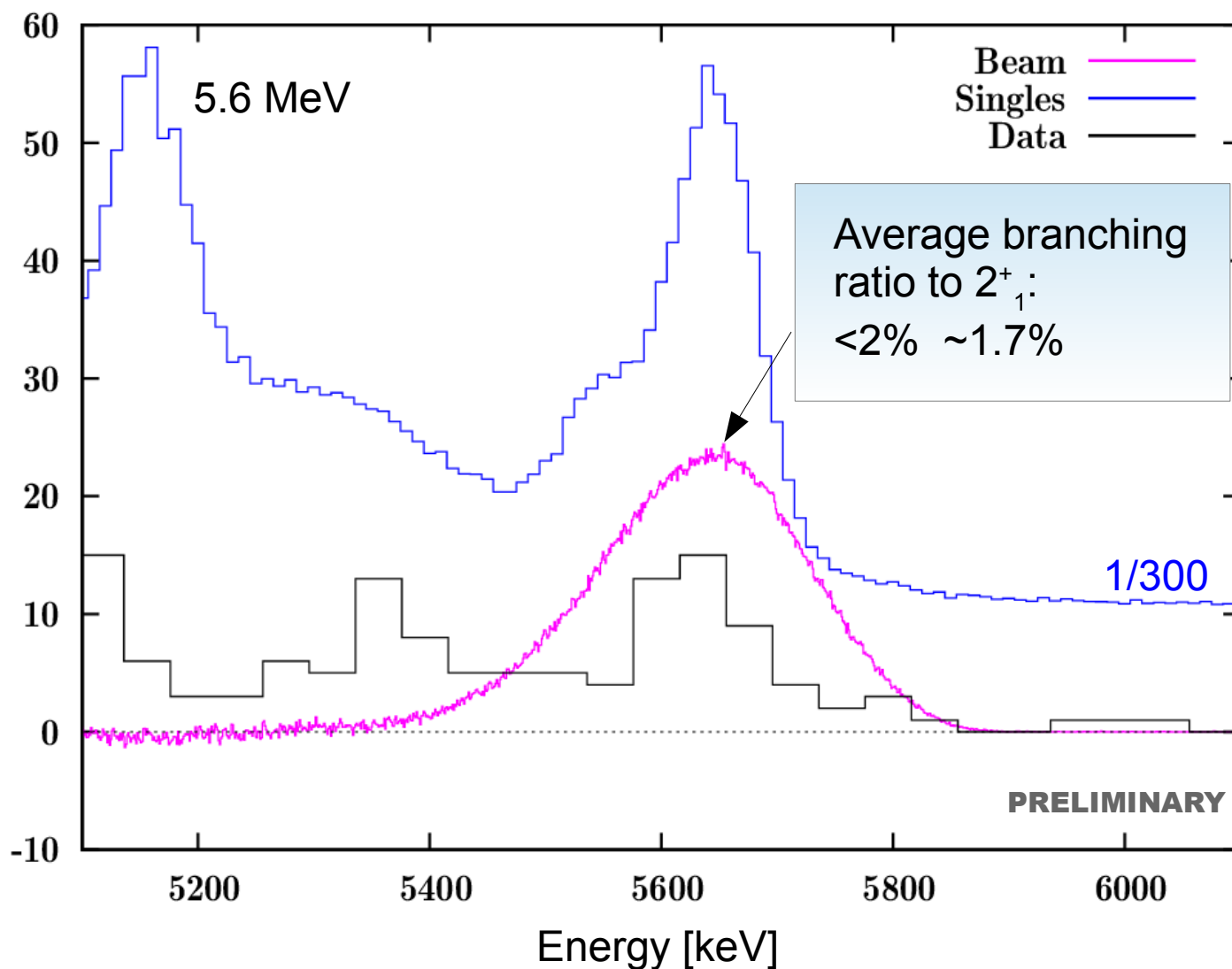


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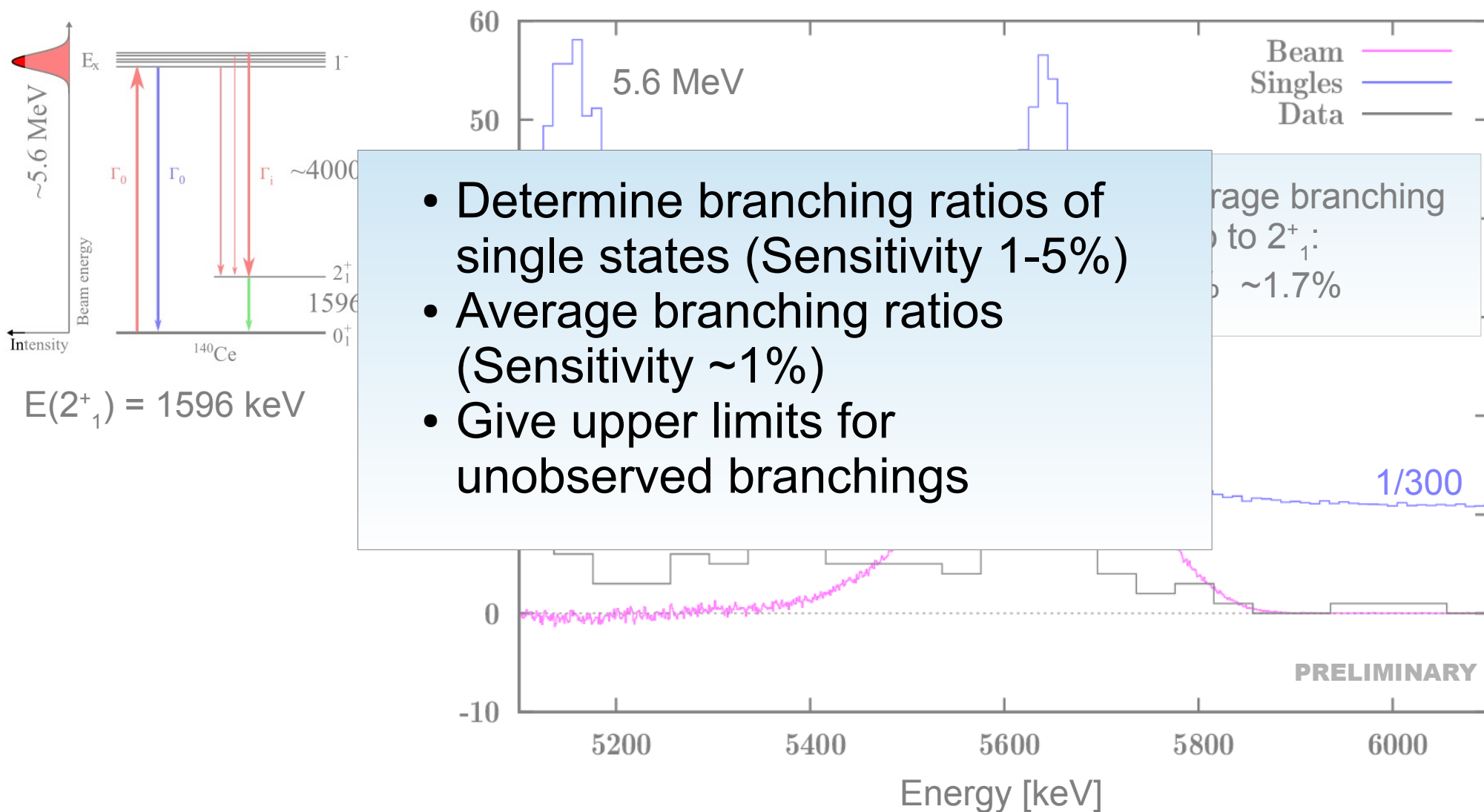
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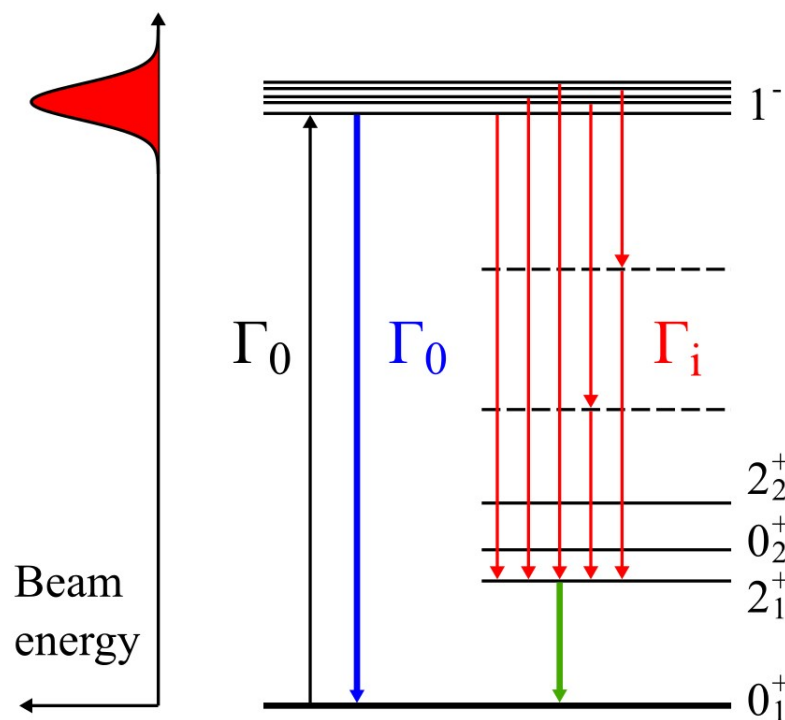
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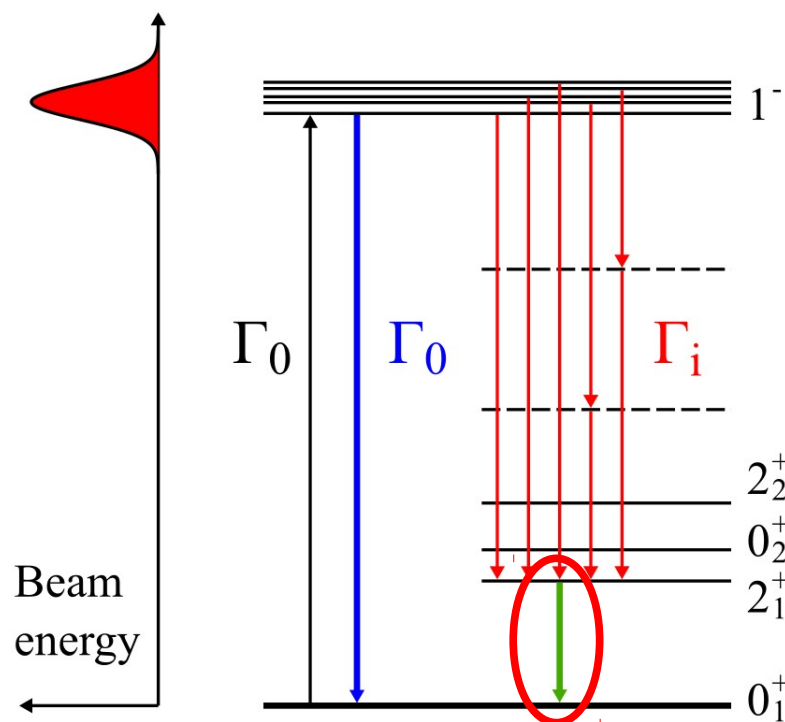
Determination of branching via low-lying states





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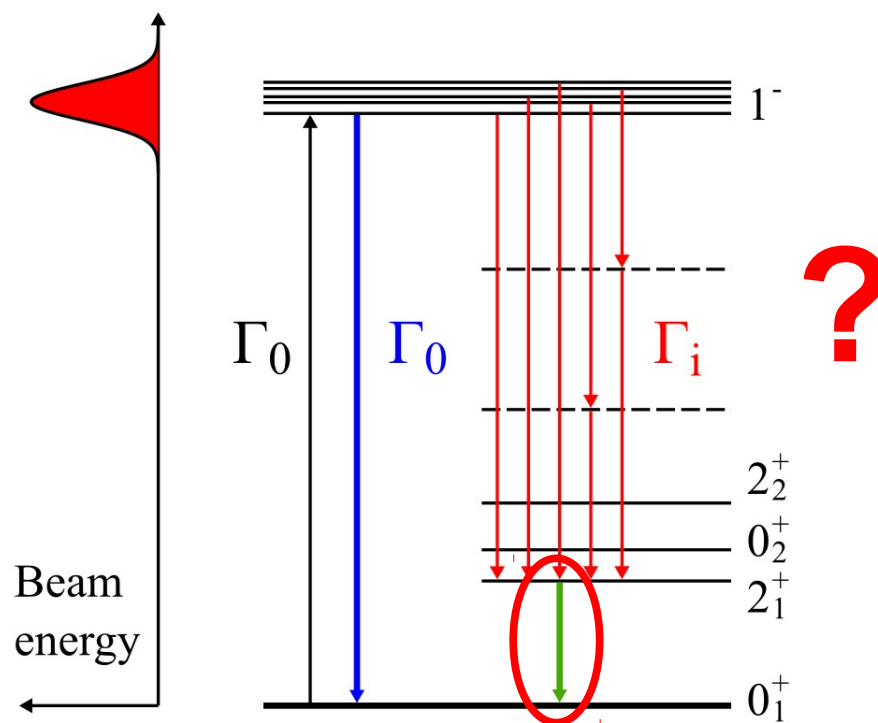
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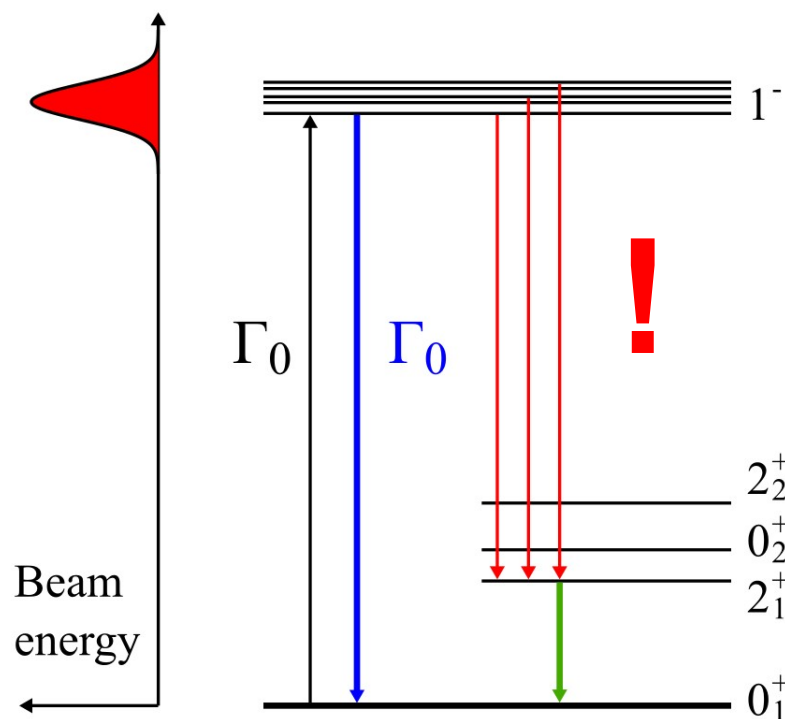


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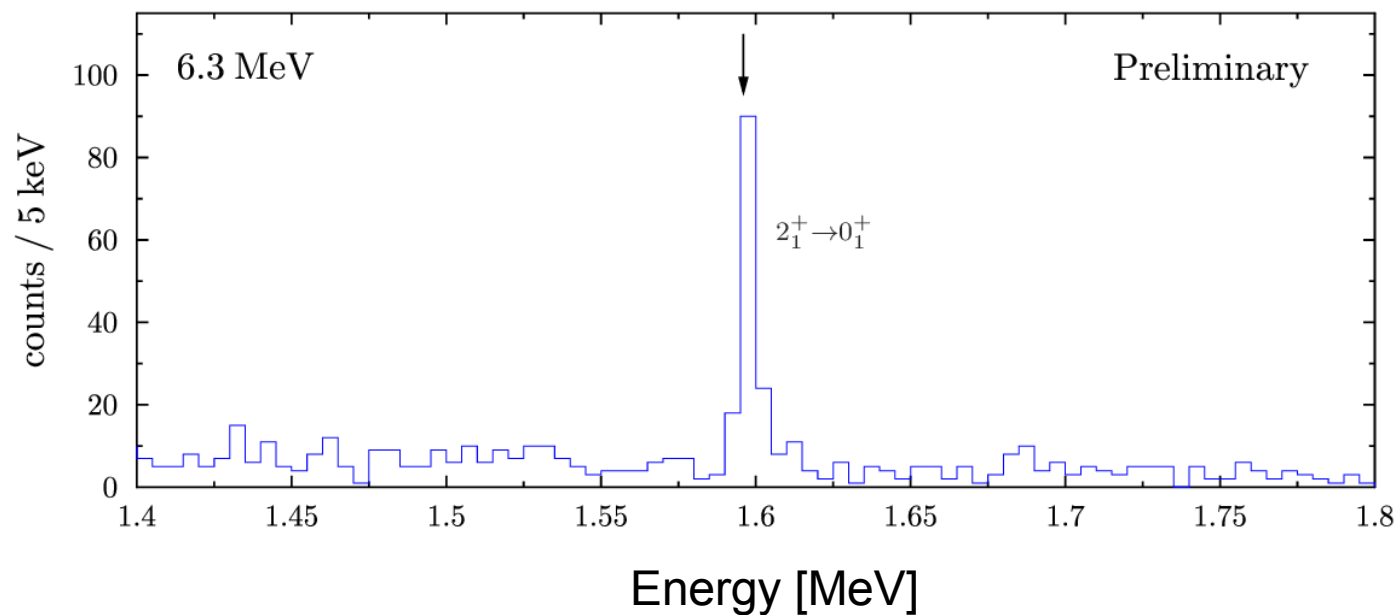
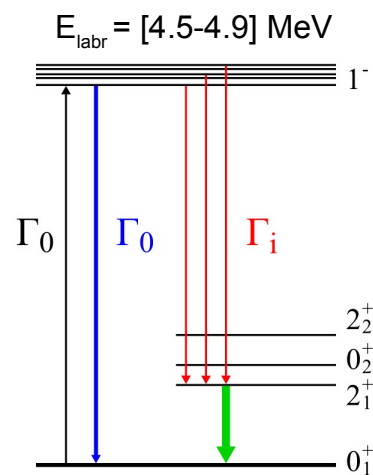
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Solution: Use coincidence condition on high energy transitions
→ Restrict to narrow energy band

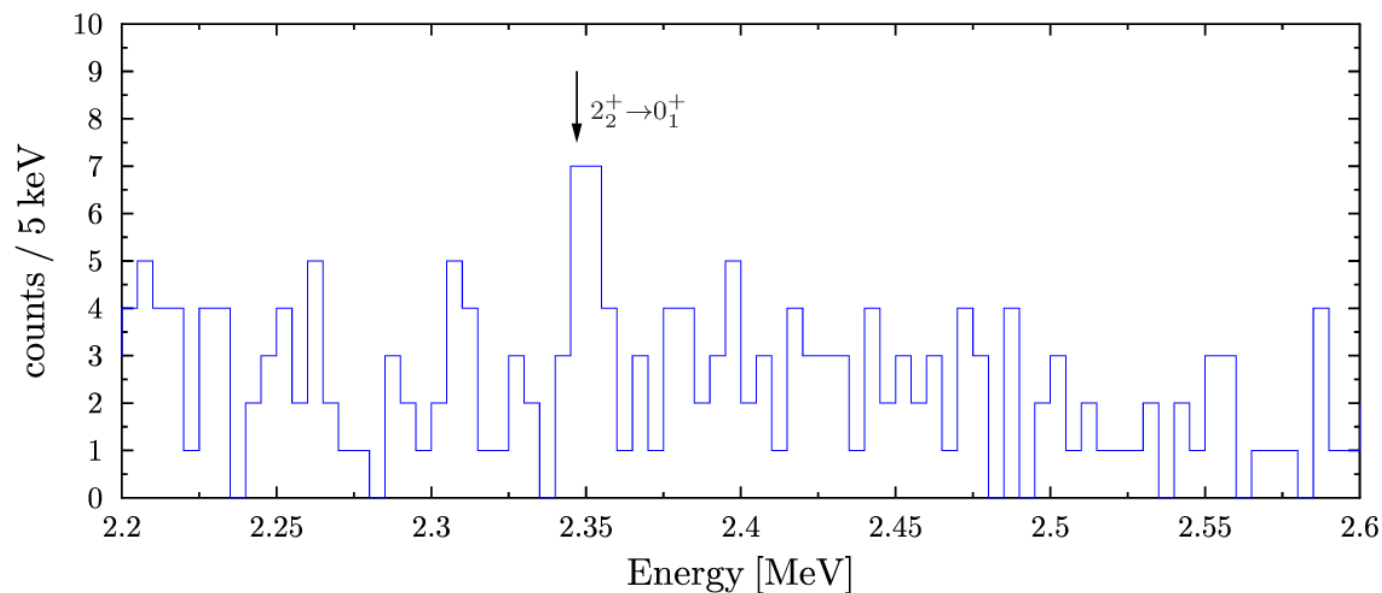
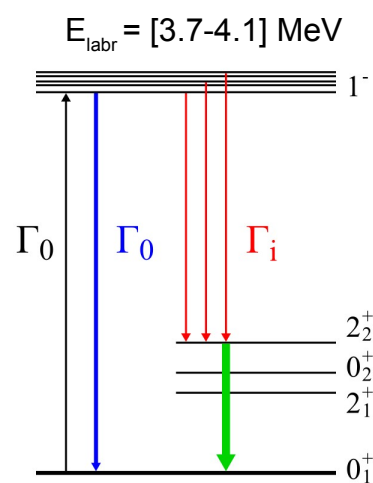
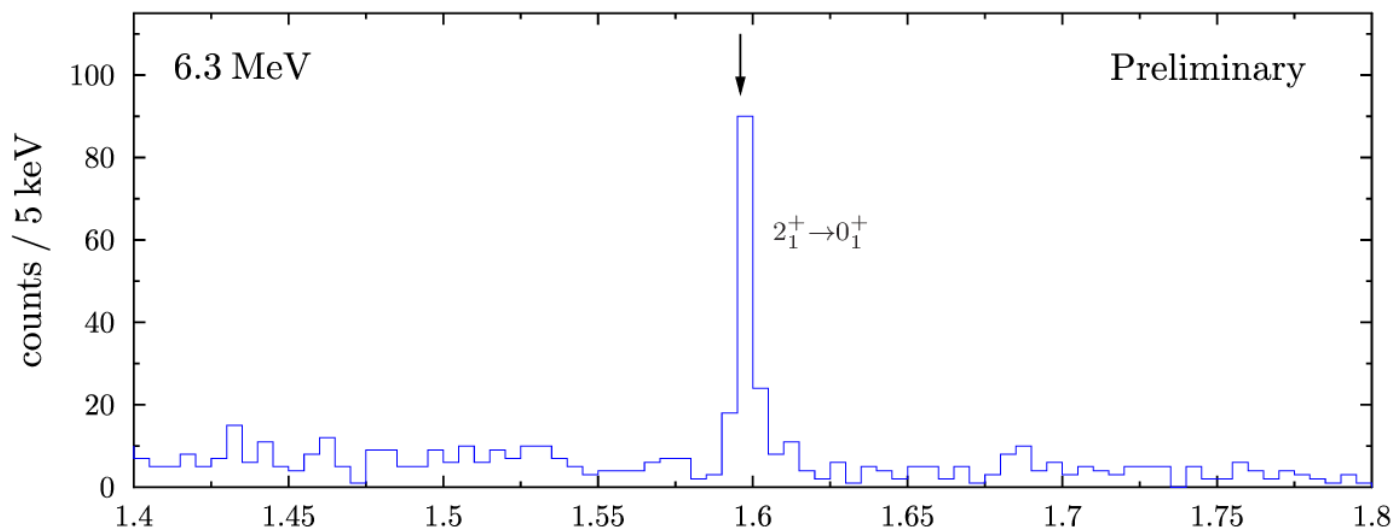
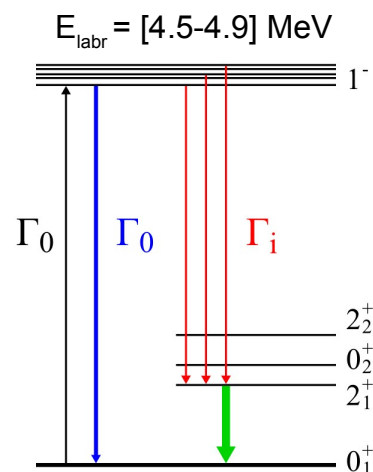


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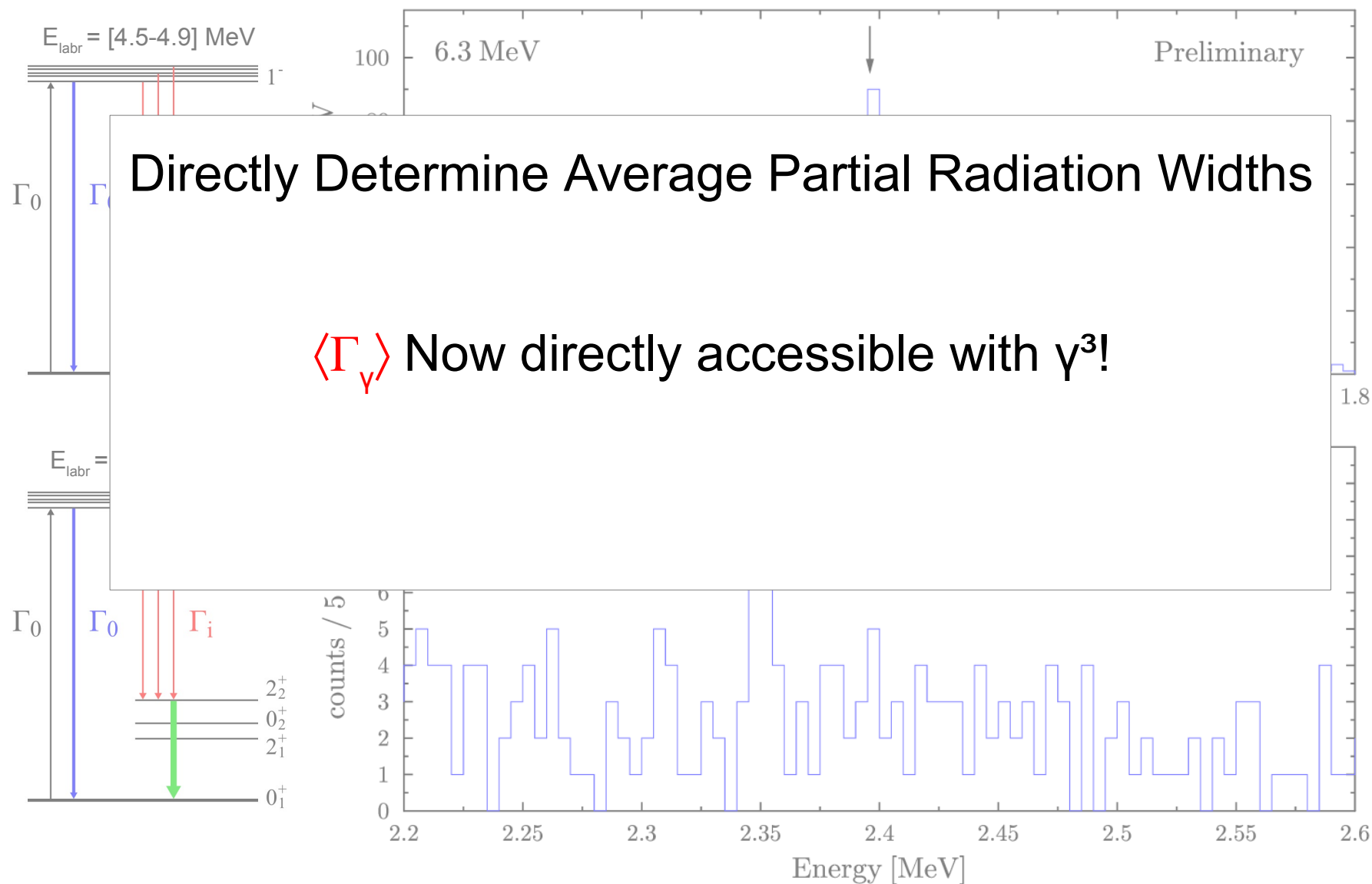


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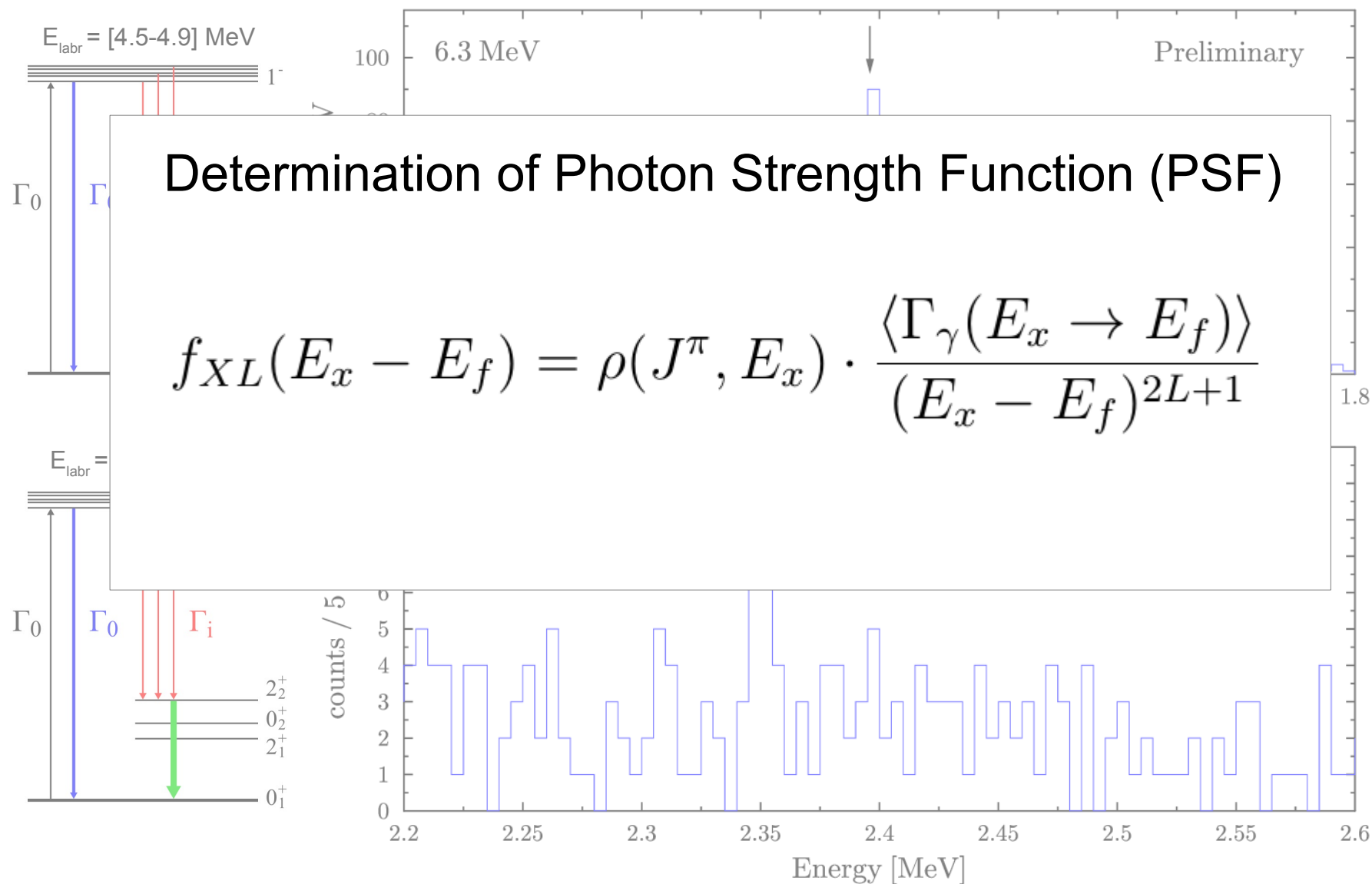


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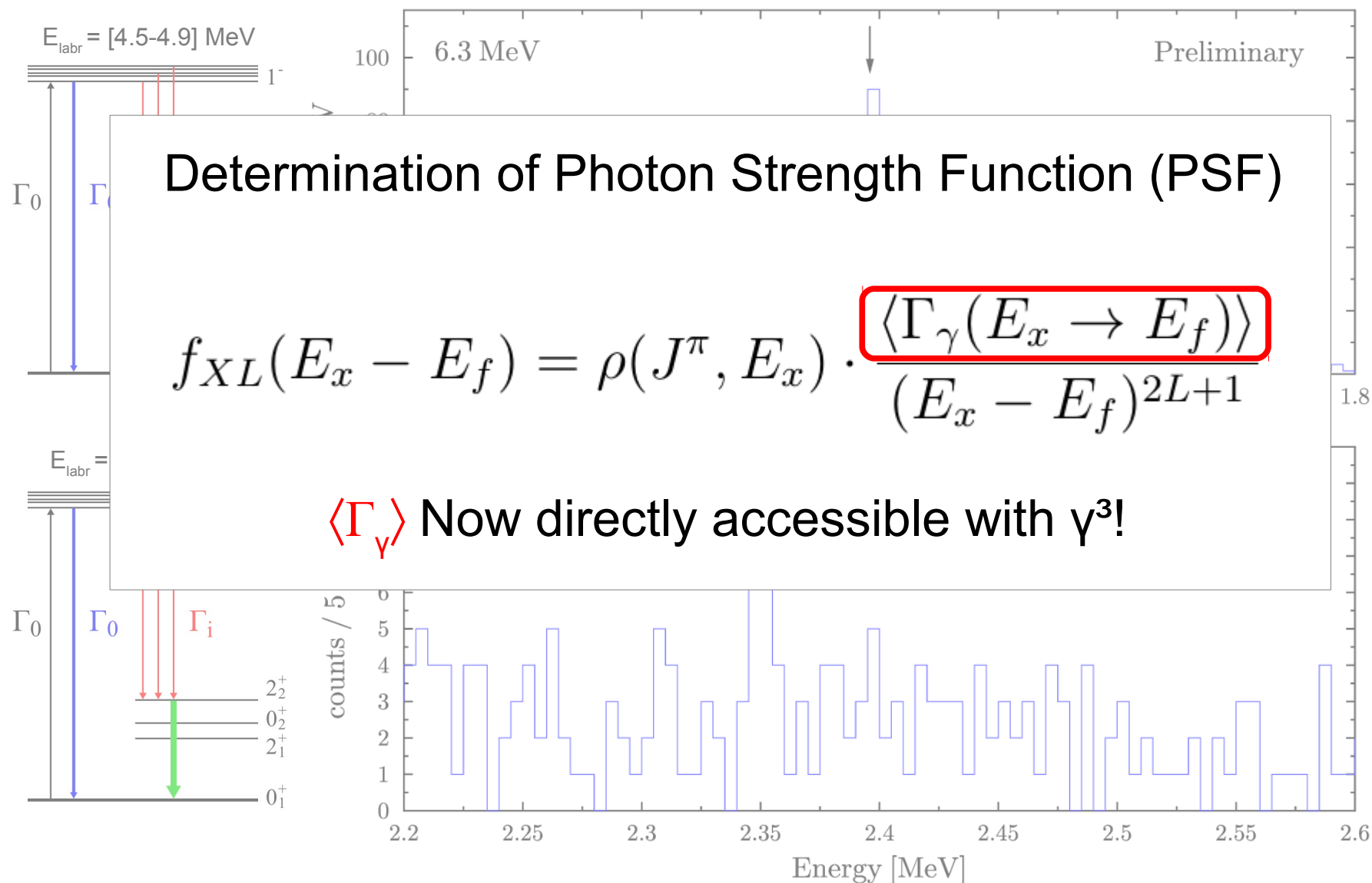


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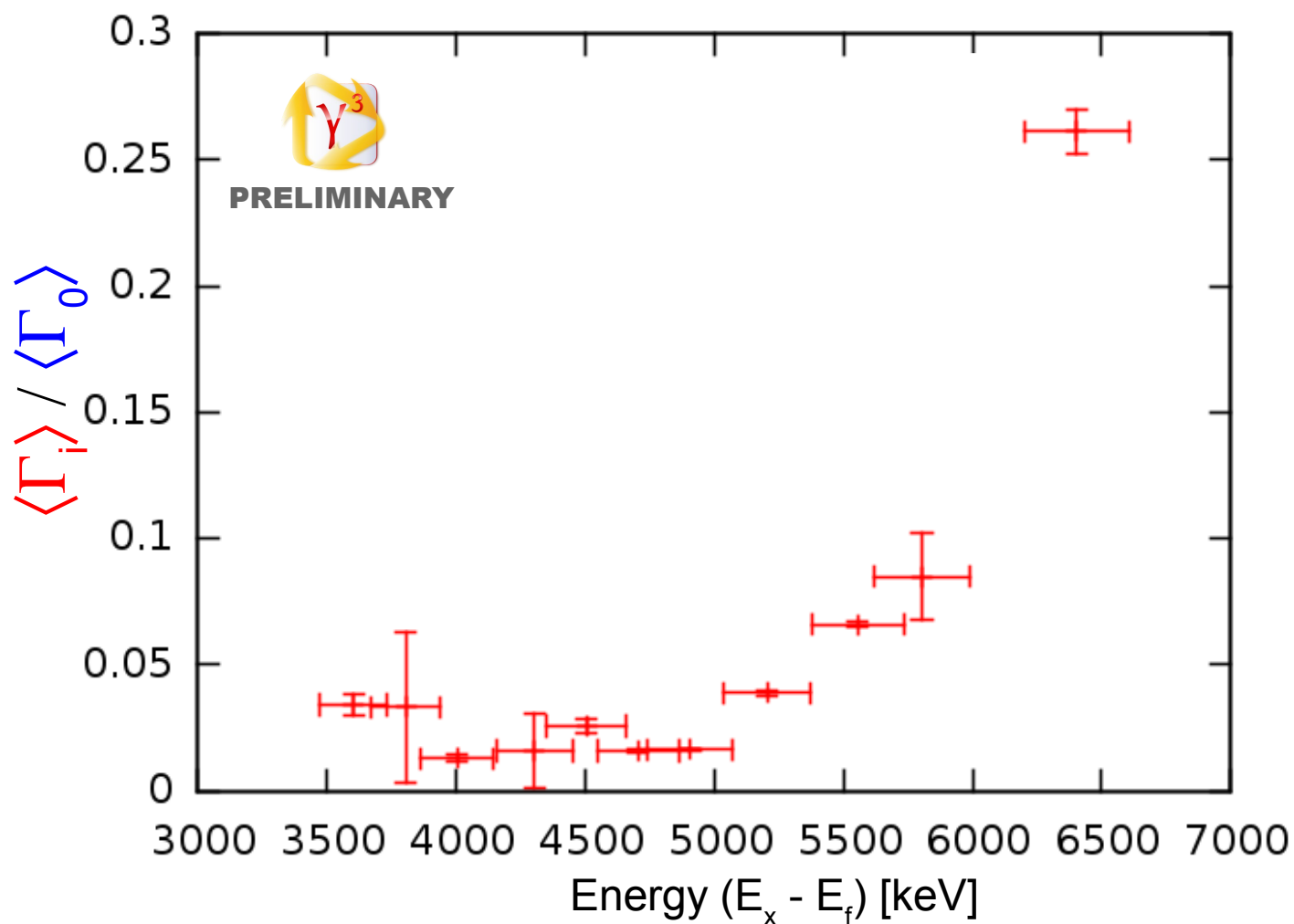
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PSF determination from decays to the first 2^+ state





Outlook

- Analysis of ^{140}Ce data ongoing
- Next γ^3 beam time starting in August 2013
 - PDR in ^{206}Pb
 - Scissors Mode in $^{162,164}\text{Dy}$
 - Photon strength function in ^{128}Te

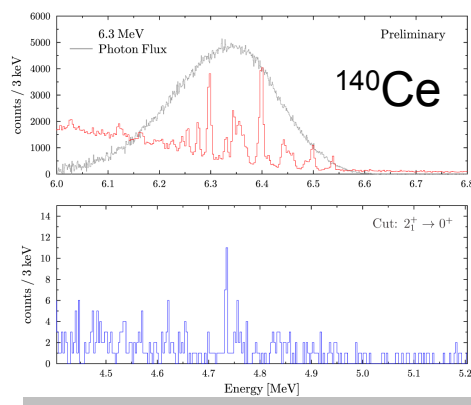
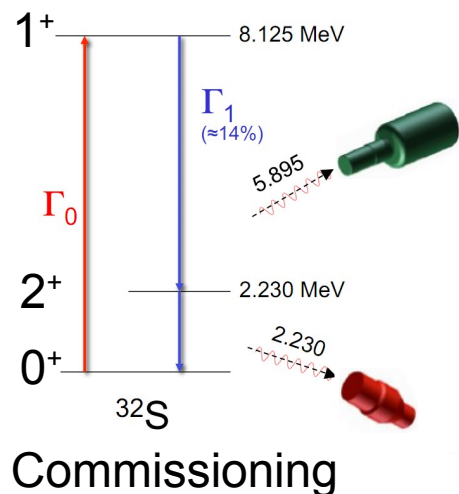
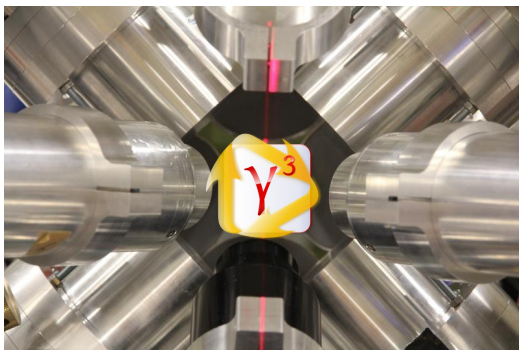




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