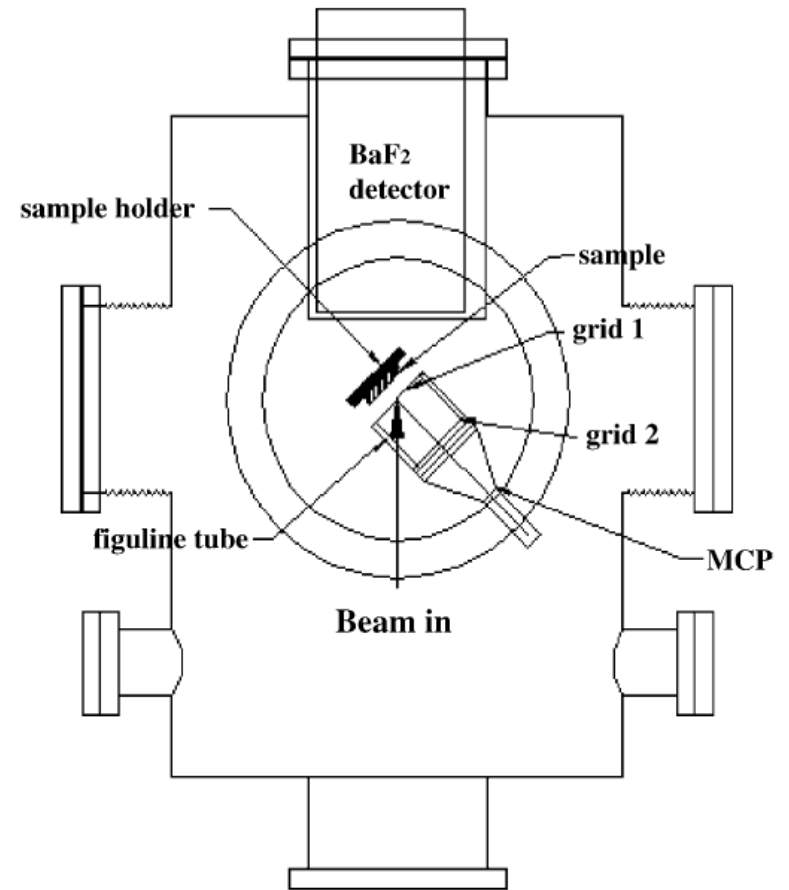
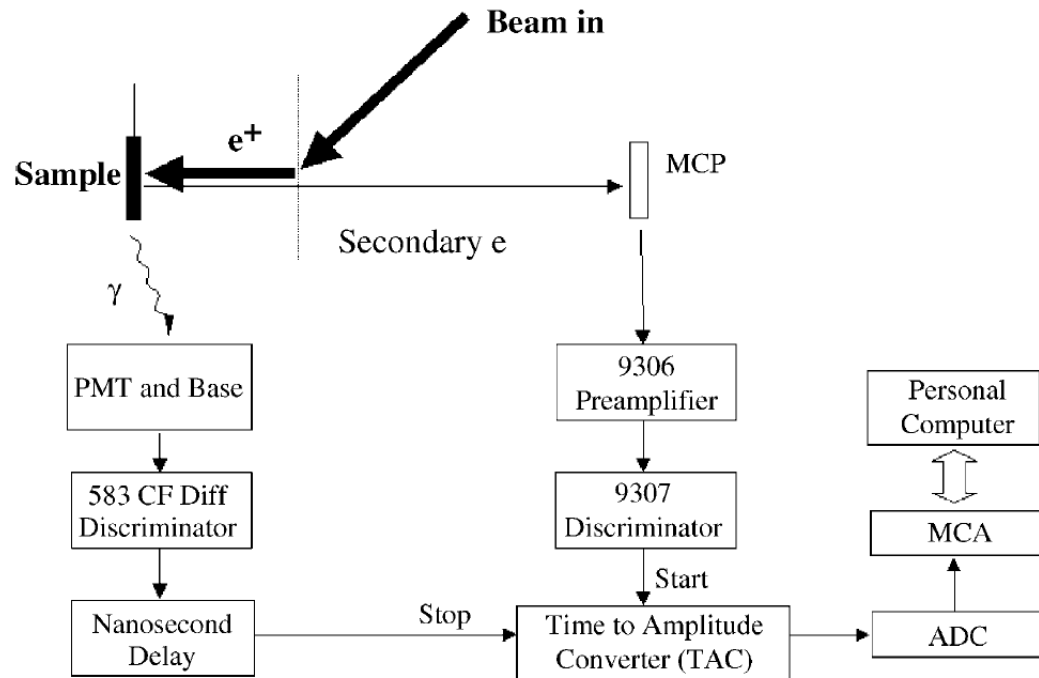


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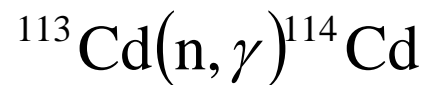
- use of secondary electrons for timing
- Wuhan University, China
- time resolution ≈ 500 ps, energy 0.5 – 30 keV



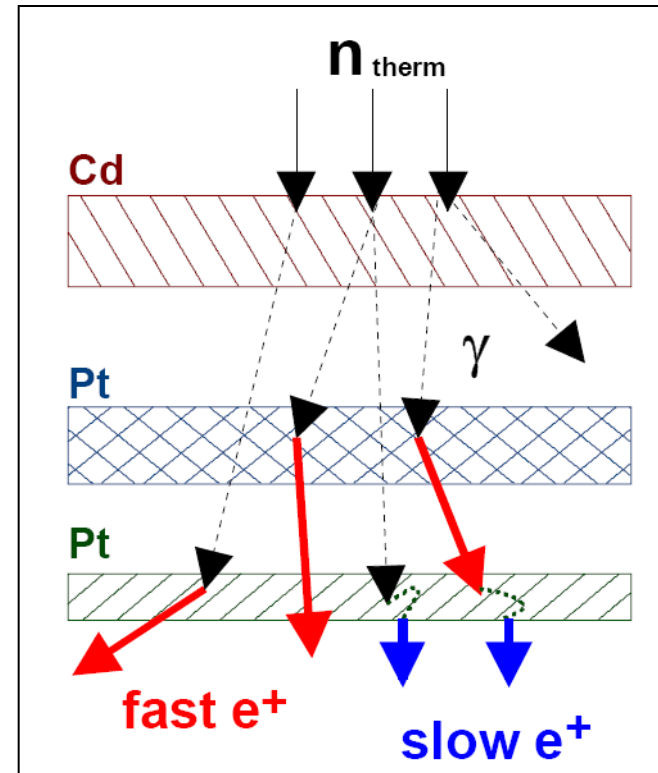
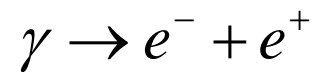
Positron lifetime spectroscopy using slow positrons



- NEPOMUC, FRM II, Munich
- reactor based slow e^+ source
- $\approx 1 e^+ / ns$ (= 1 GBq)
- $\approx E = 1 \text{ keV}, \Delta E = 50 \text{ eV}$

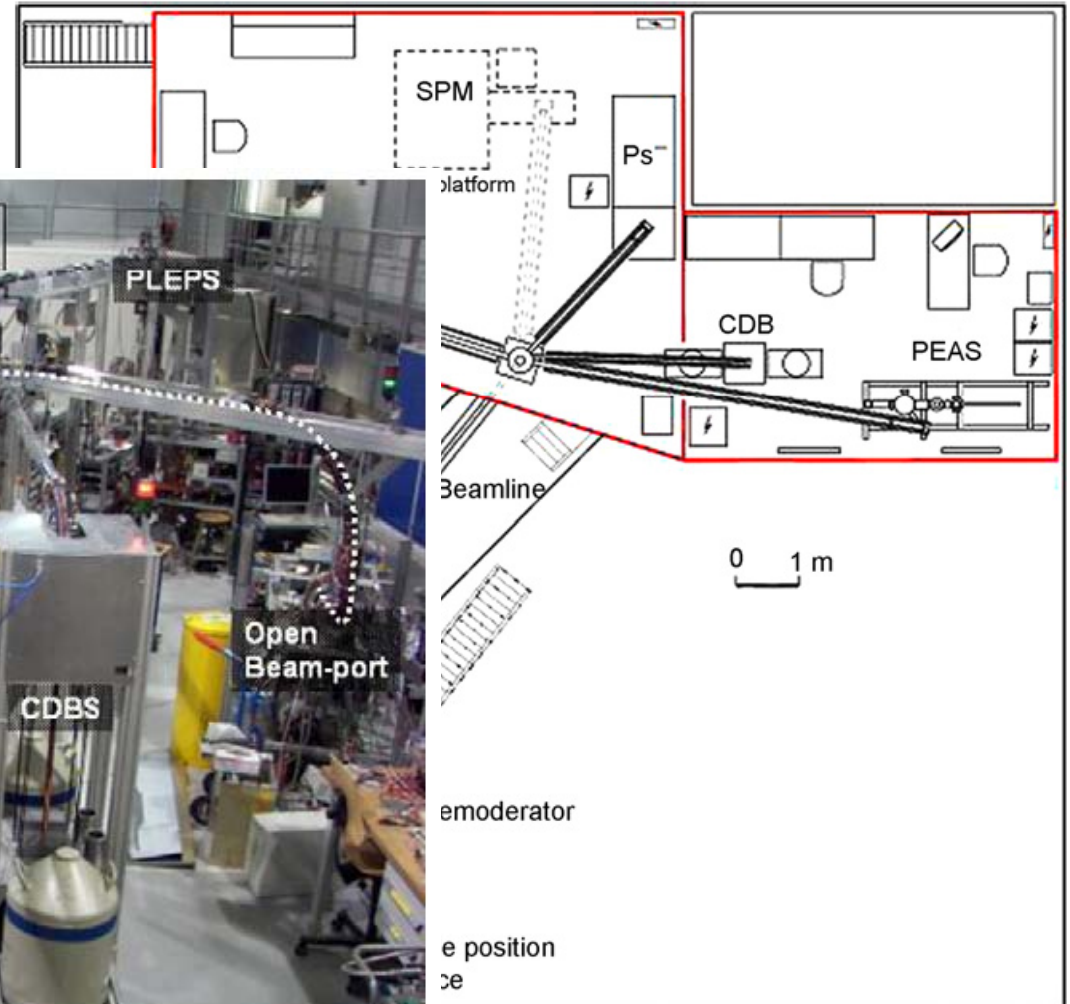
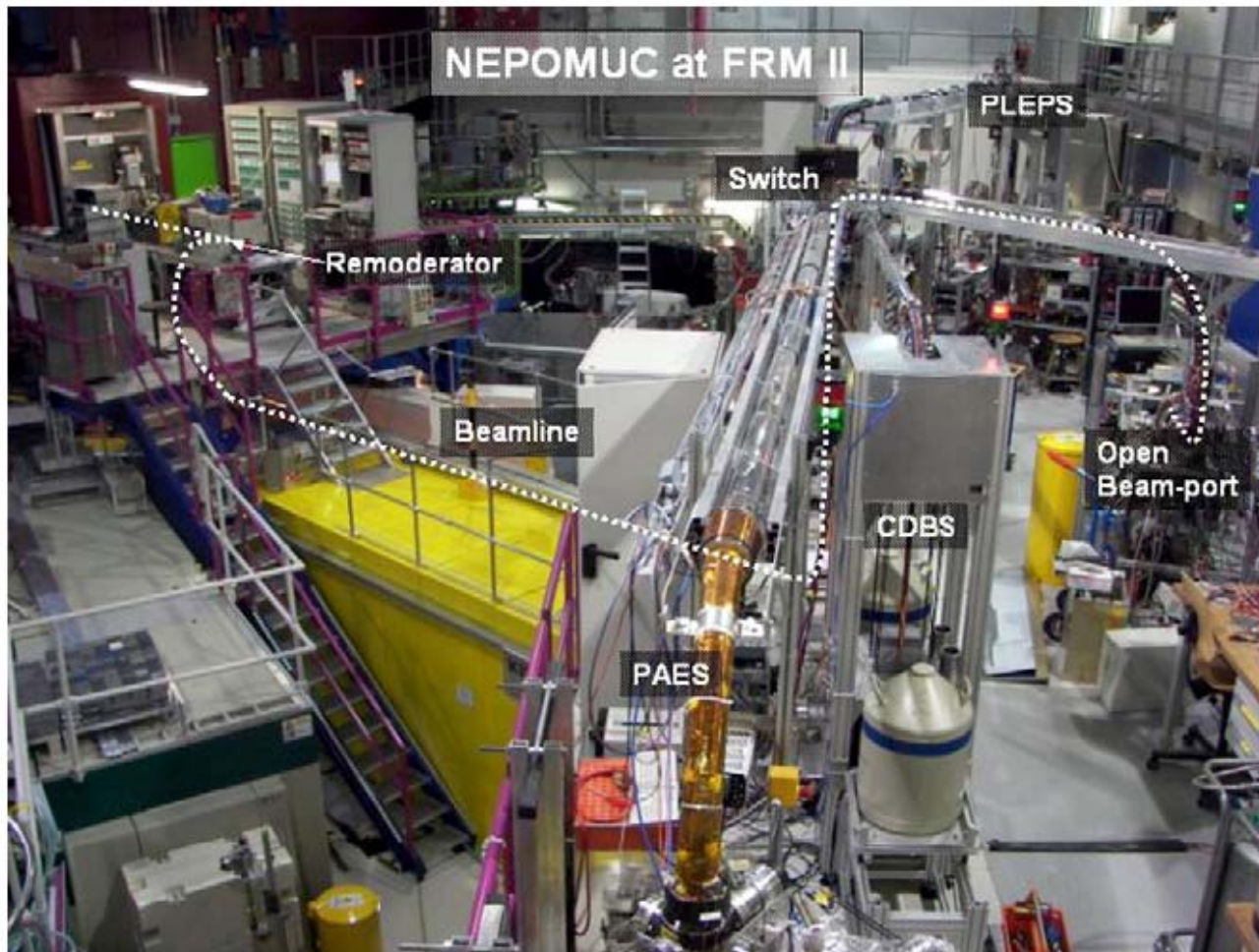


$$E_\gamma = 9.04 \text{ MeV}$$



Positron lifetime spectroscopy using slow positrons

- pulsed slow e^+ beam
- NEPOMUC, FRM II Mníchov



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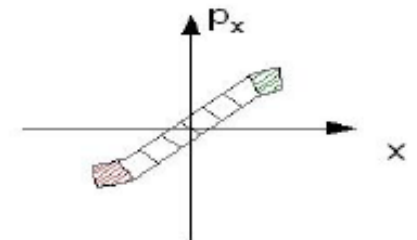
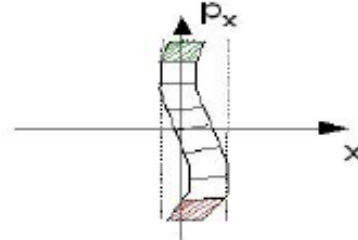
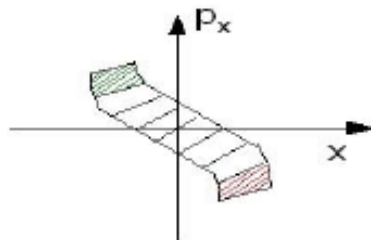
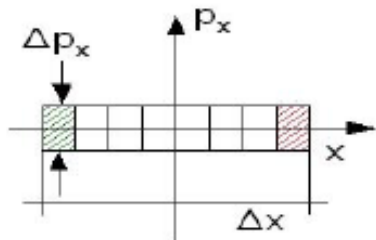
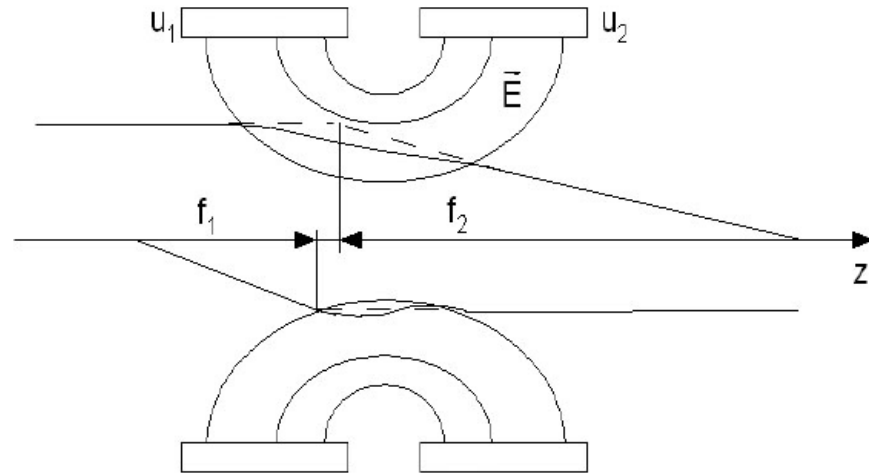
- pulsed slow e^+ beam
- Liouville's theorem

$$\Delta x \Delta p_x = \Omega_x = \text{konst}$$

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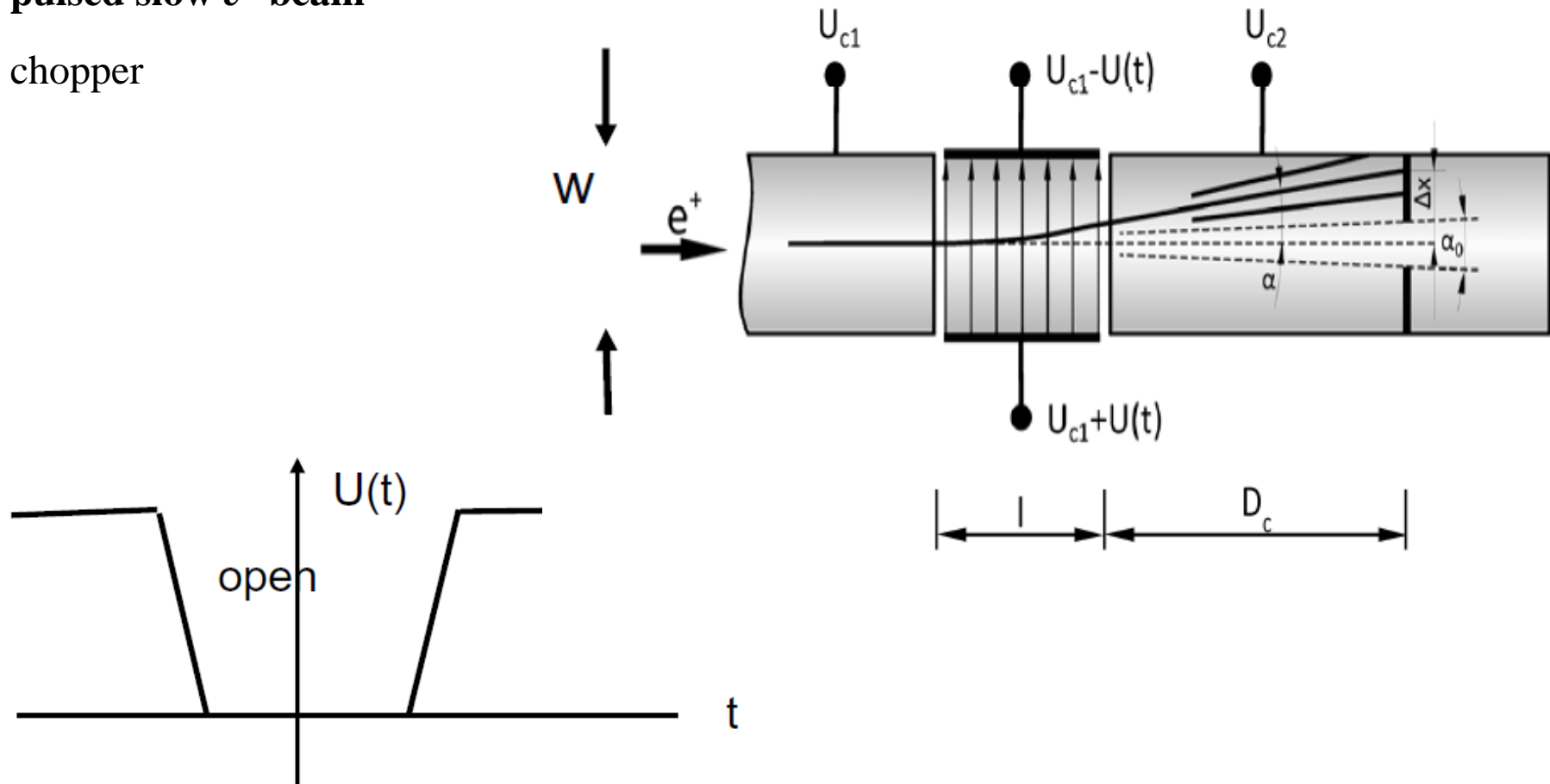
$$\Delta E \Delta t = \Omega_E = \text{konst}$$

- electrostatic lens



Positron lifetime spectroscopy using slow positrons

- pulsed slow e^+ beam
- chopper

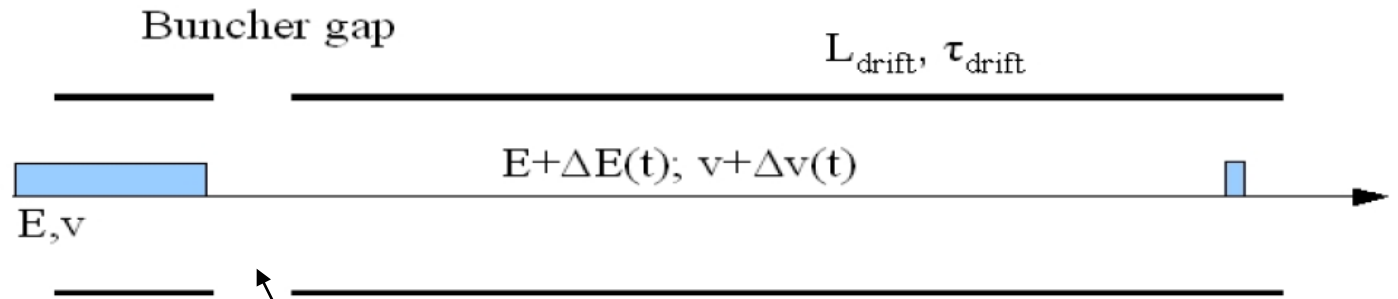


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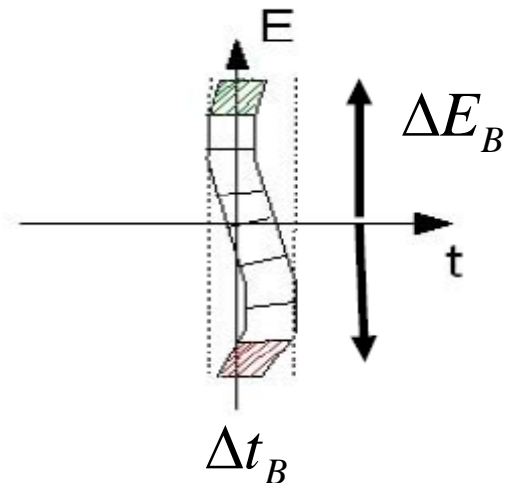
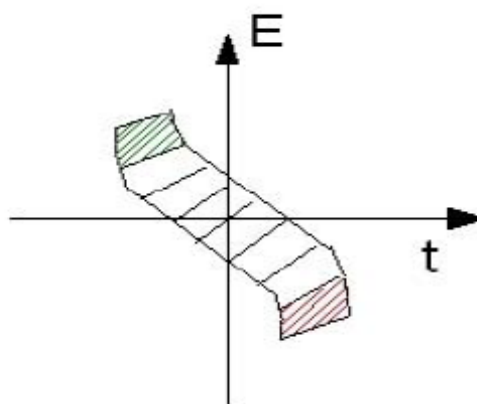
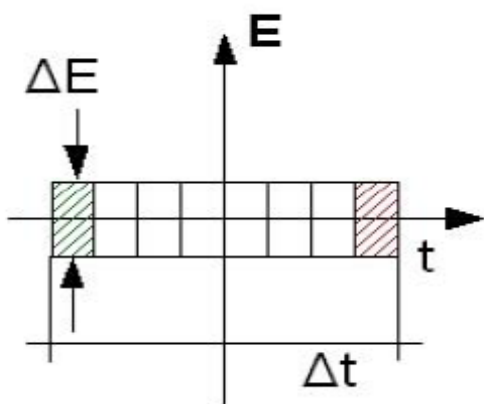
- pulsed slow e^+ beam
- buncher

$$\Delta E \Delta t = \Omega_E$$

$$\Delta E \Delta t = \Delta E_B \Delta t_B$$



$$dU / dt = \Delta E_B / \Delta t_B \quad (10 \dots 100 \text{ V ns}^{-1})$$



Positron lifetime spectroscopy using slow positrons

- **pulsed slow e^+ beam**

- buncher

- Lorentz force:
$$eBv = m \frac{v^2}{r} \longrightarrow \frac{eB}{m} = \frac{v}{r} = \omega = 2\pi f$$

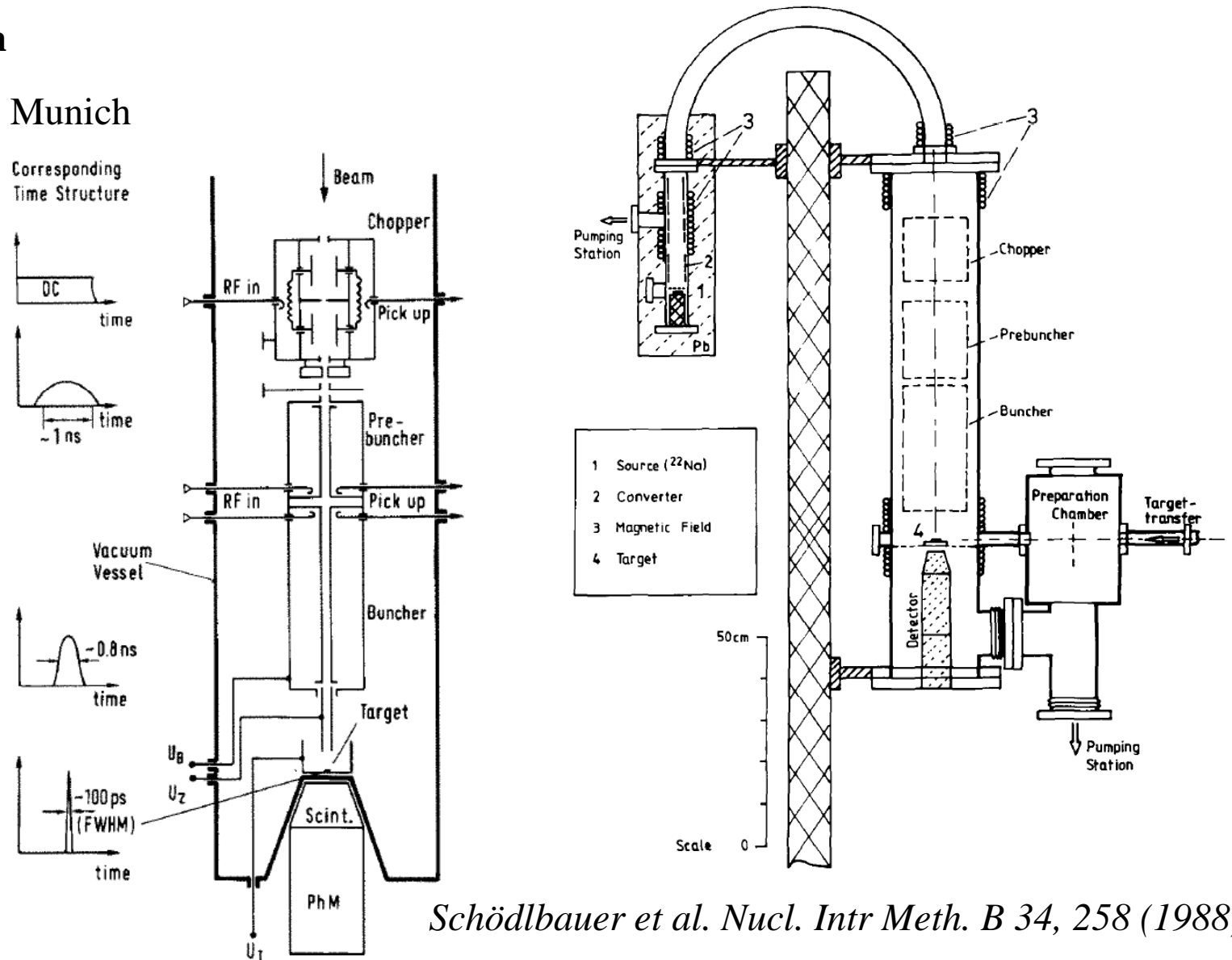
- frequency of e^+ rotation in beam
$$f = \frac{eB}{2\pi m}$$

- $B \approx 10$ mT, $e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ C, $m = 9.1 \times 10^{-31}$ kg $\rightarrow f \approx 280$ MHz

- PLEPS $B \approx 7$ mT $\rightarrow f \approx 200$ MHz

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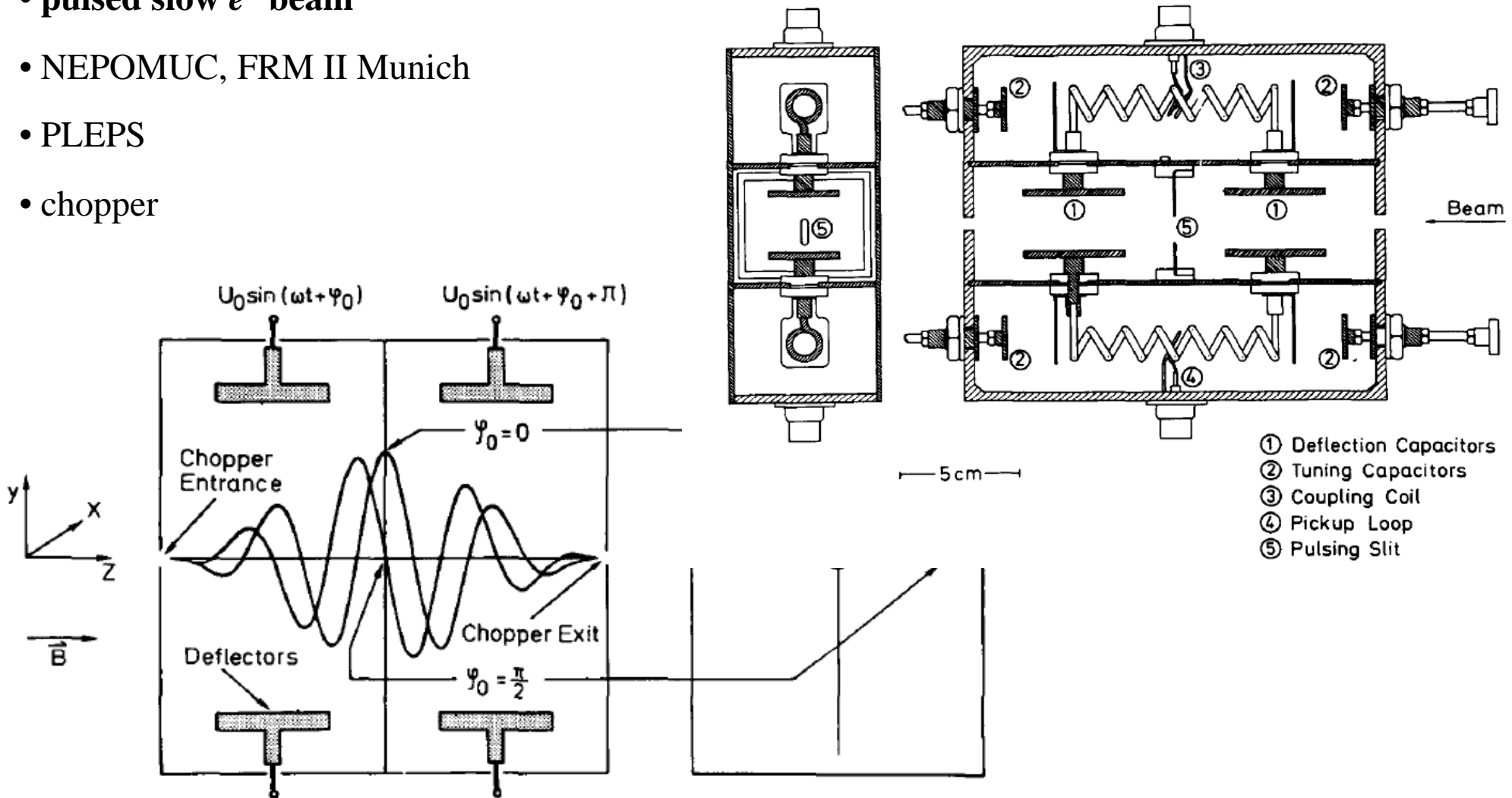
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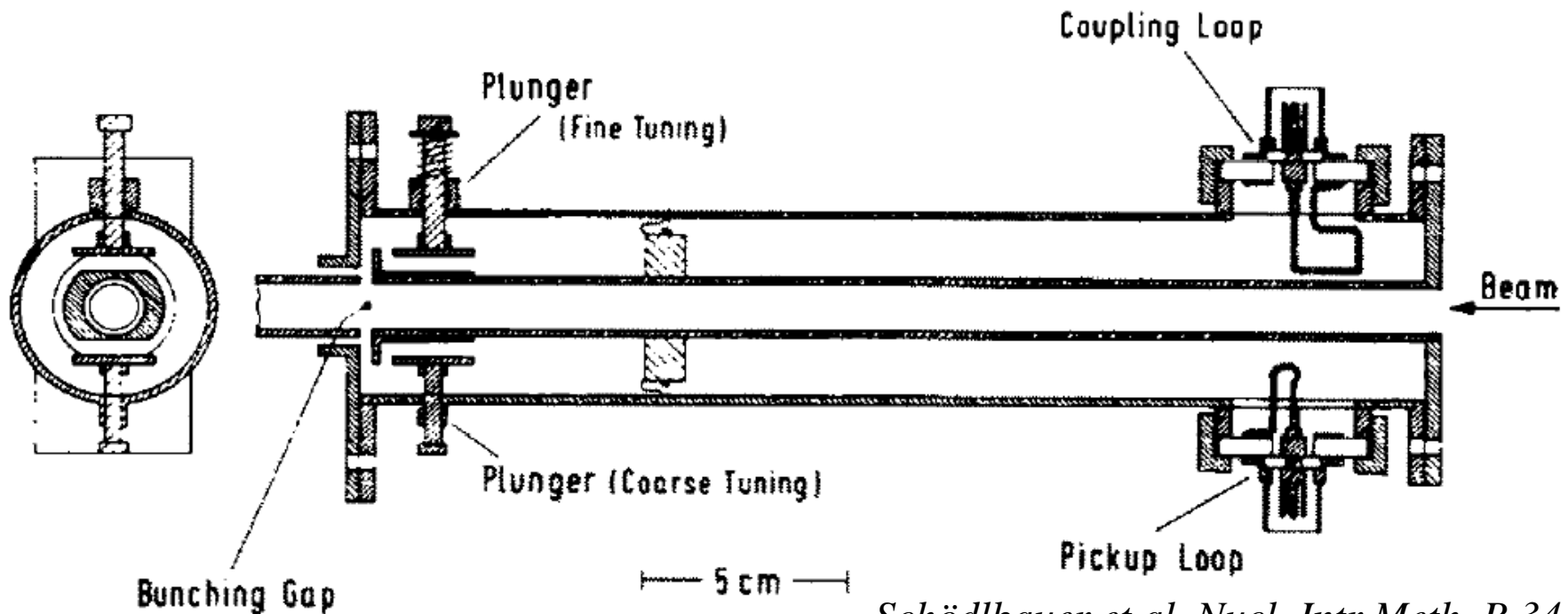
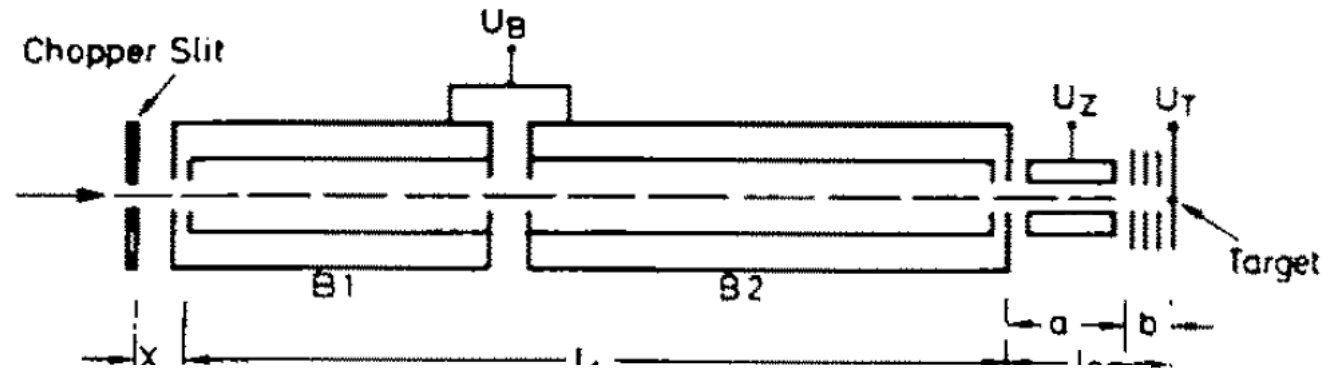
Positron lifetime spectroscopy using slow positrons

- pulsed slow e^+ beam
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- chopper



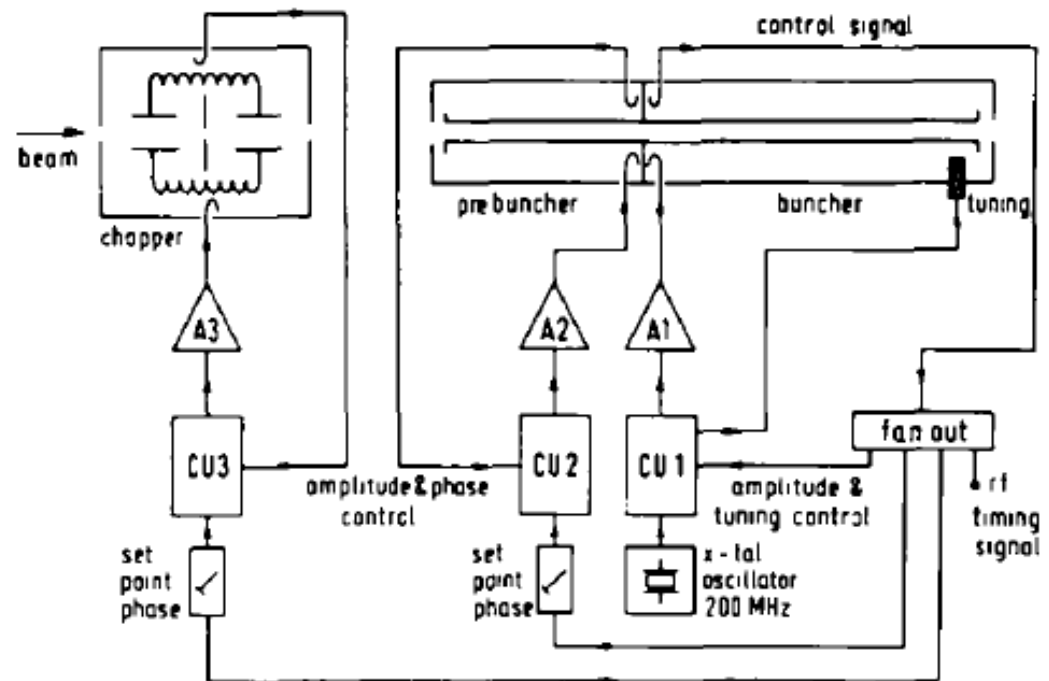
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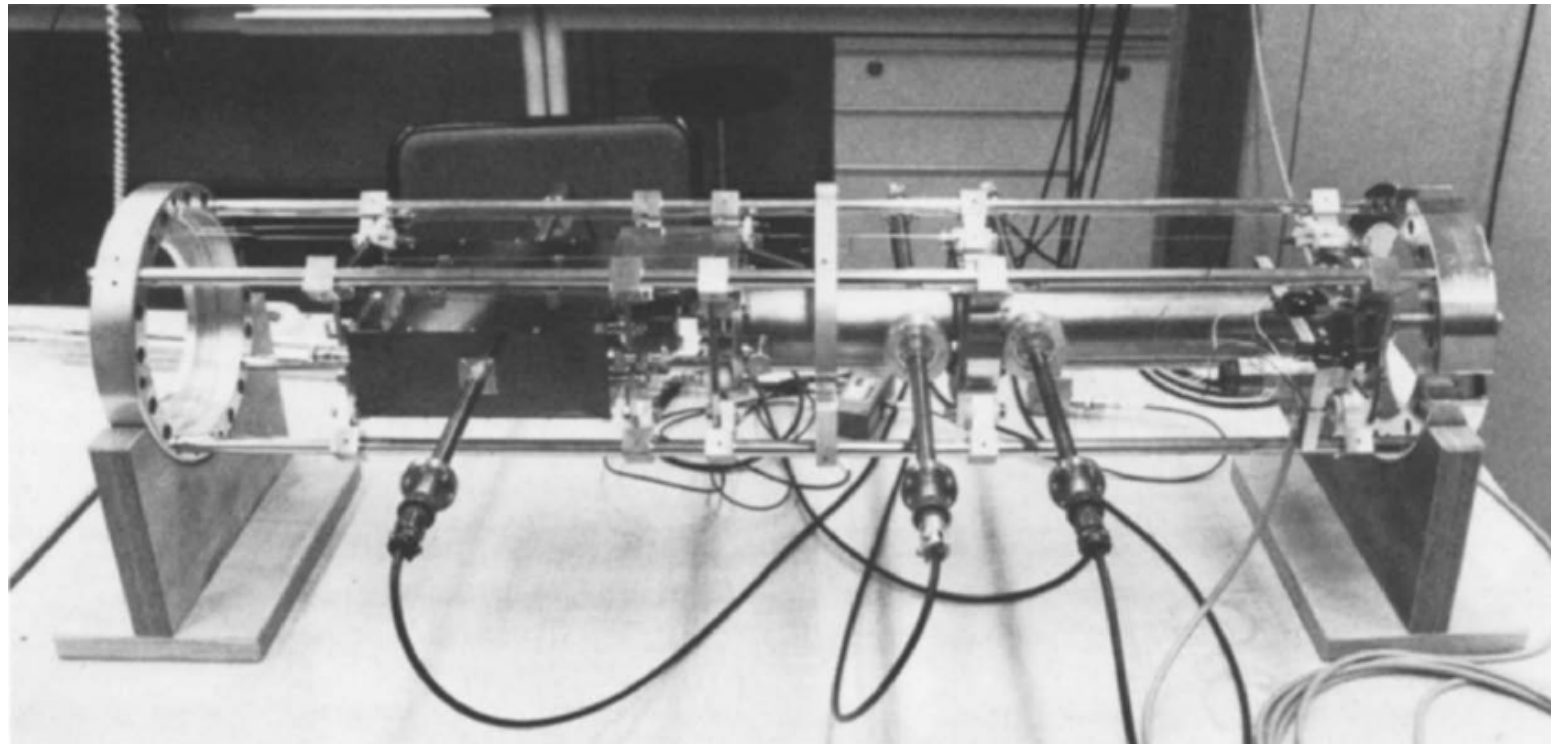
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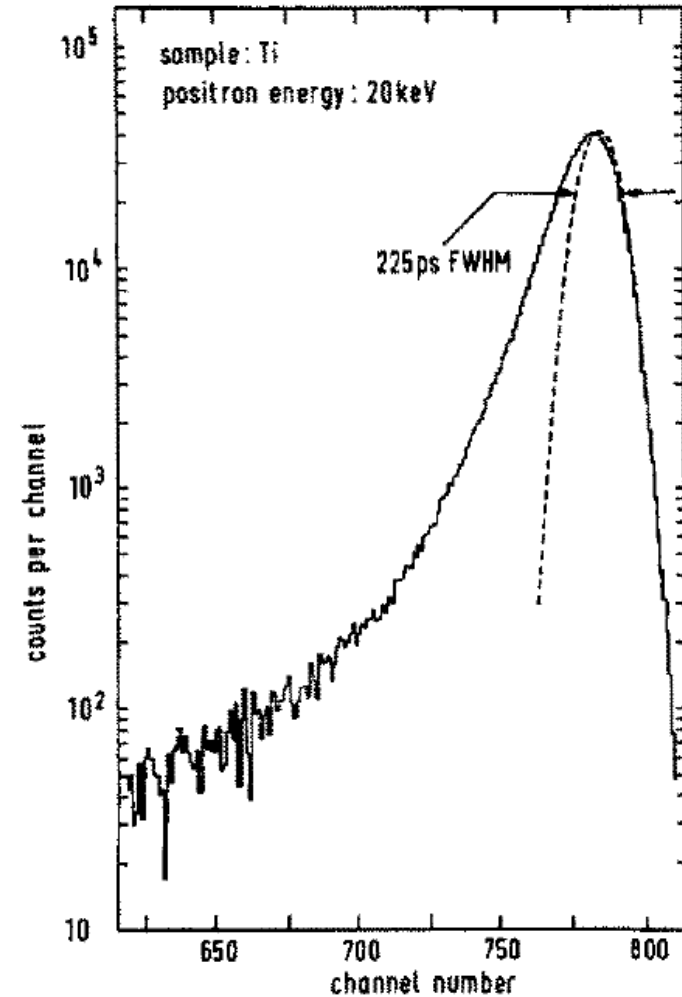
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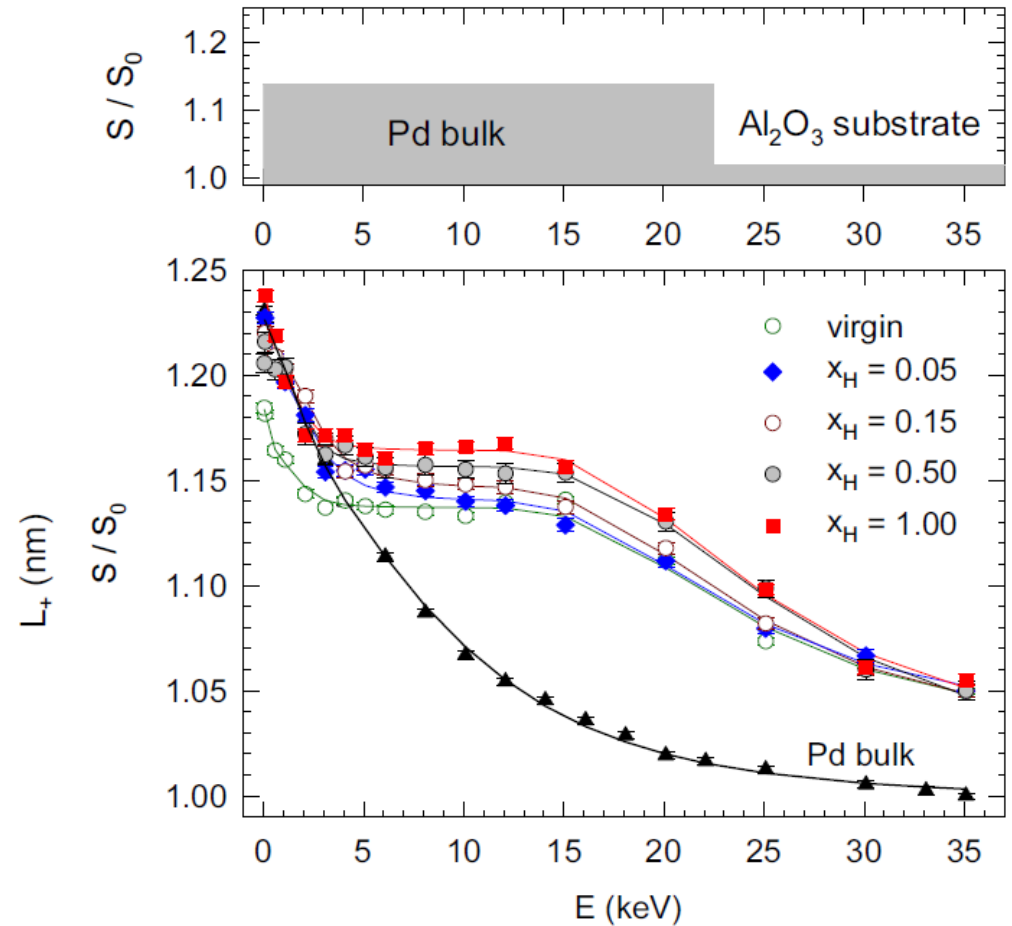
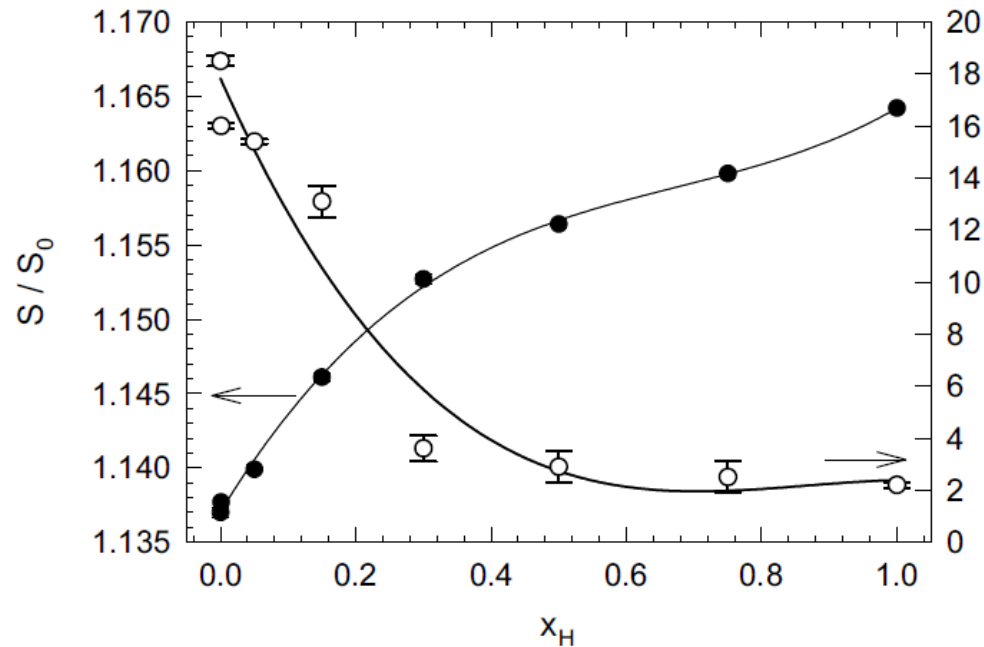
Positron lifetime spectroscopy using slow positrons

- pulsed slow e^+ beam
- NEPOMUC, FRM II Munich
- PLEPS
- time resolution 225 ps



Positron lifetime spectroscopy using slow positrons

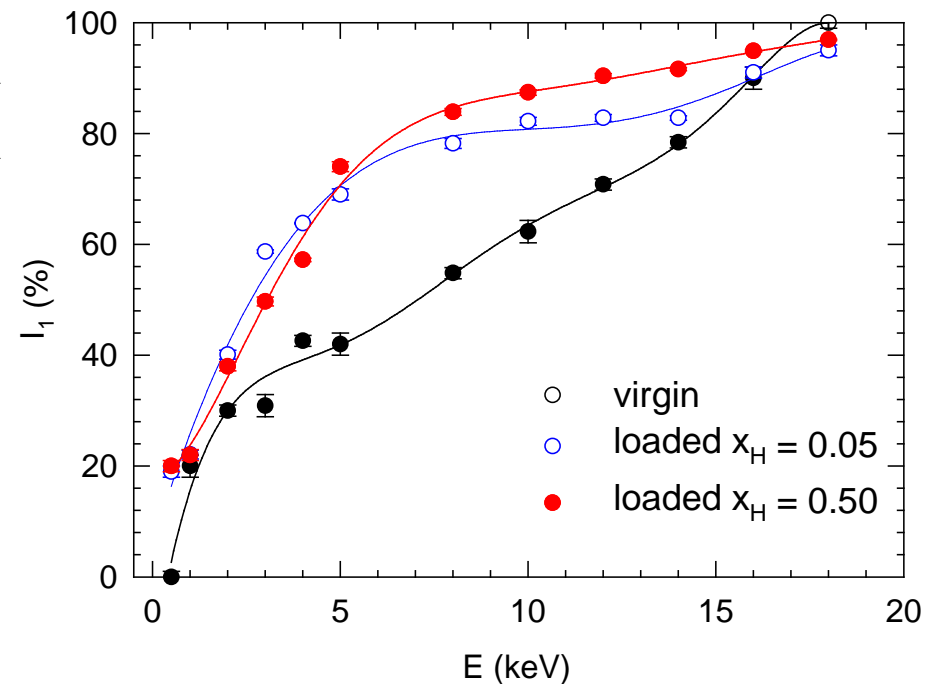
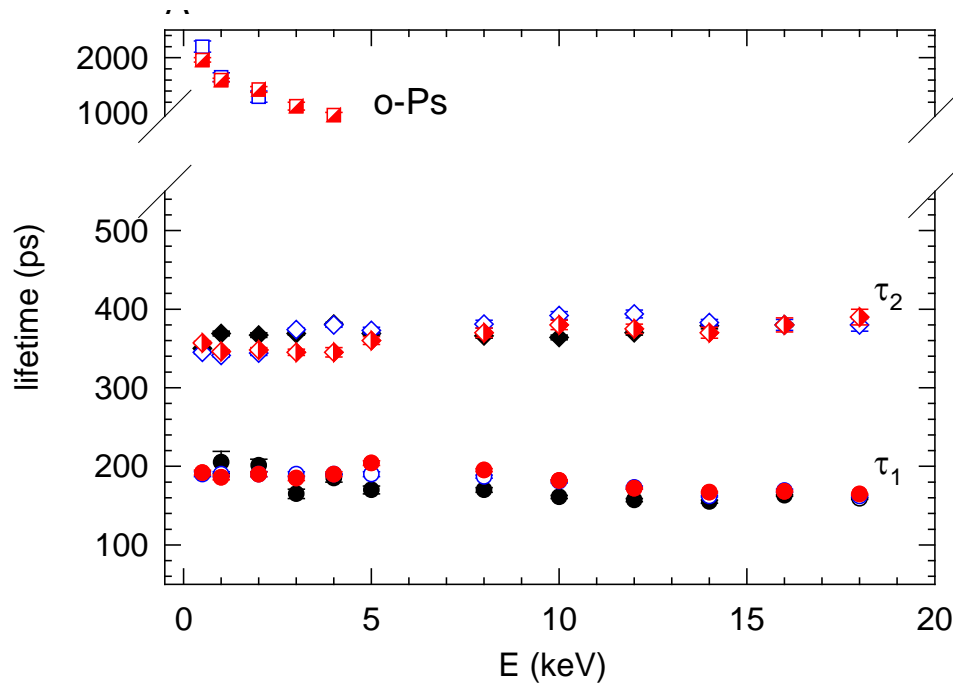
- pulsed slow e^+ beam
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- Al_2O_3 (11-20) substrate
- electrochemically doped with hydrogen



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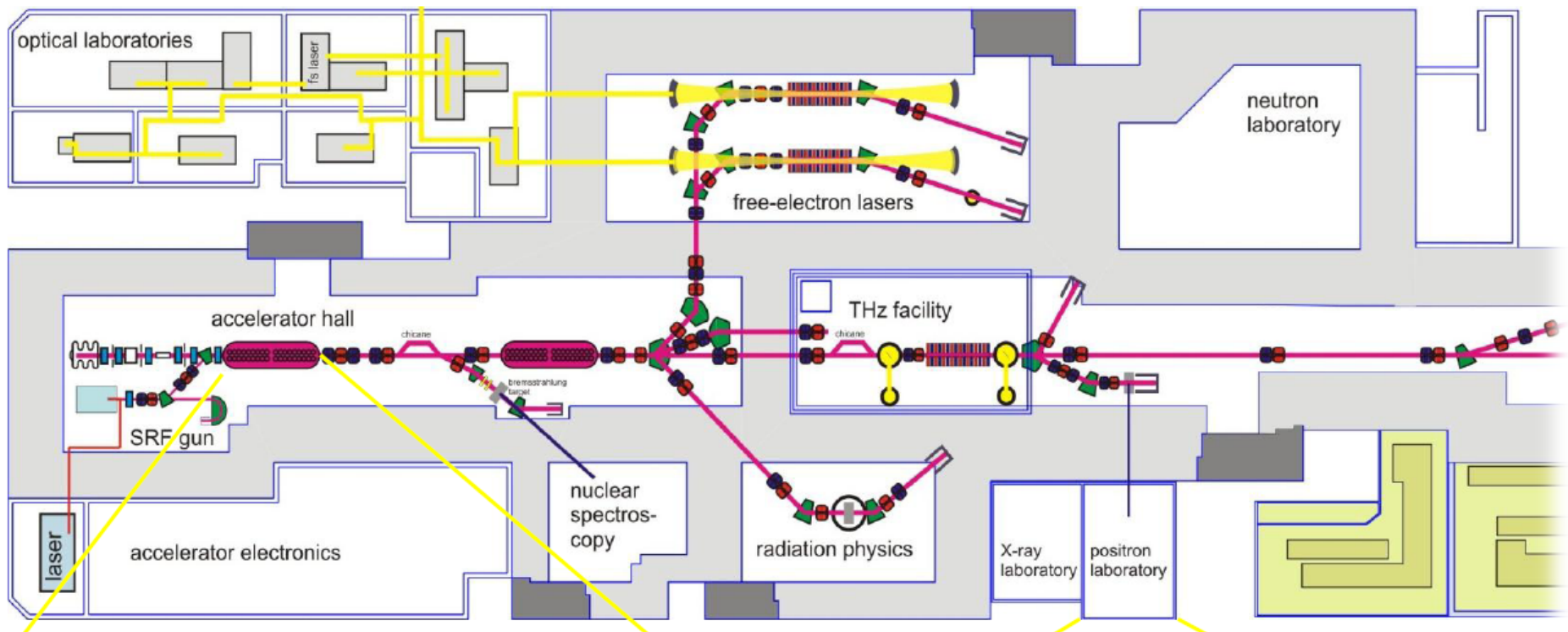
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- $\tau_1 \approx 170$ ps dislocations
- $\tau_2 \approx 350$ -400 ps vacancy clusters and surface state
- $\tau_3 \approx 1 - 2$ ns o-Ps



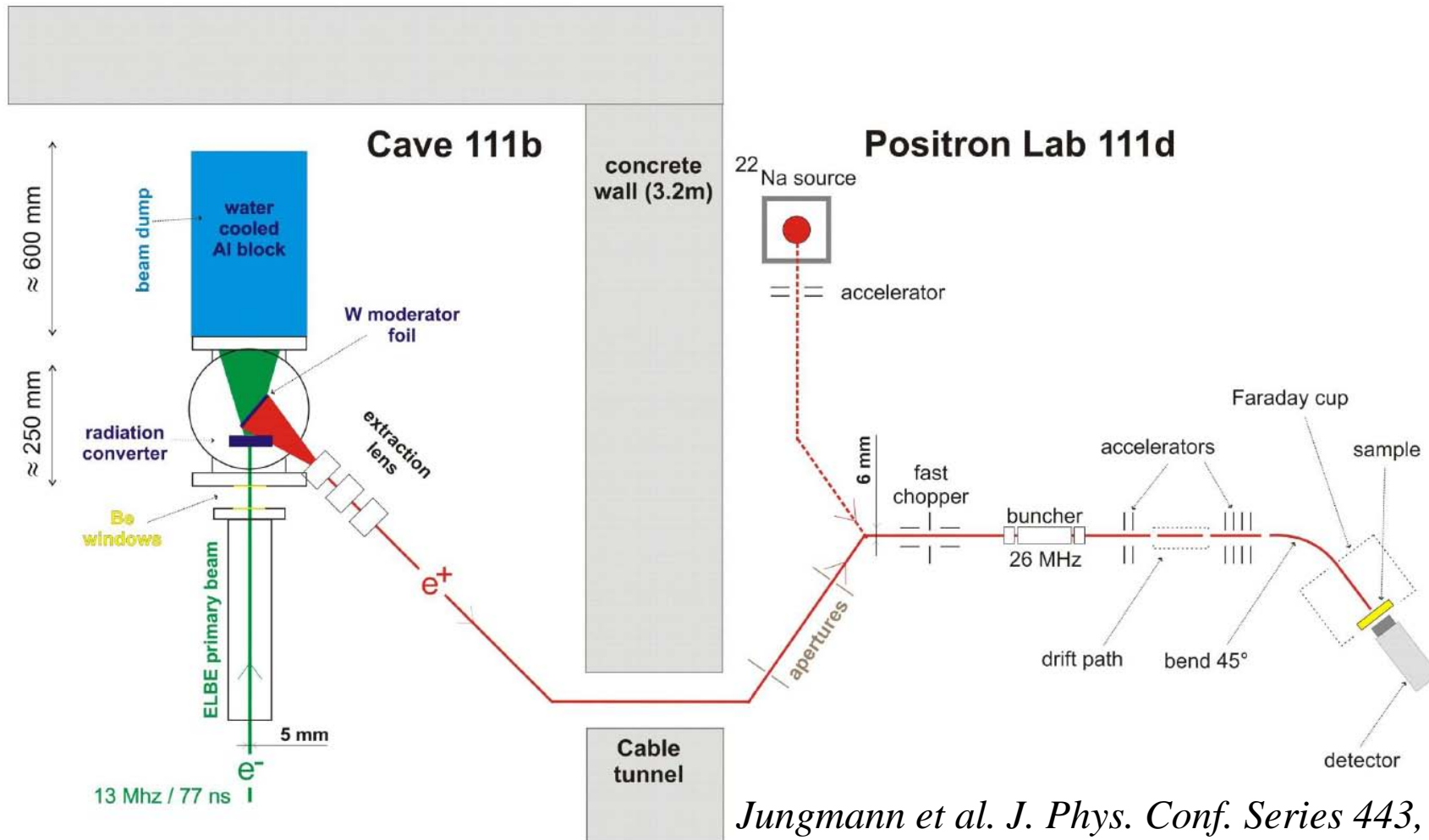
Positron lifetime spectroscopy using slow positrons

- **pulsed slow e^+ beam**
- EPOS, LINAC Elbe, Rossendorf
- ELBE: e^- $T = 16$ MeV, frequency $f = 26$ MHz (distance between pulses 38.5 ns), pulse width 5 ps



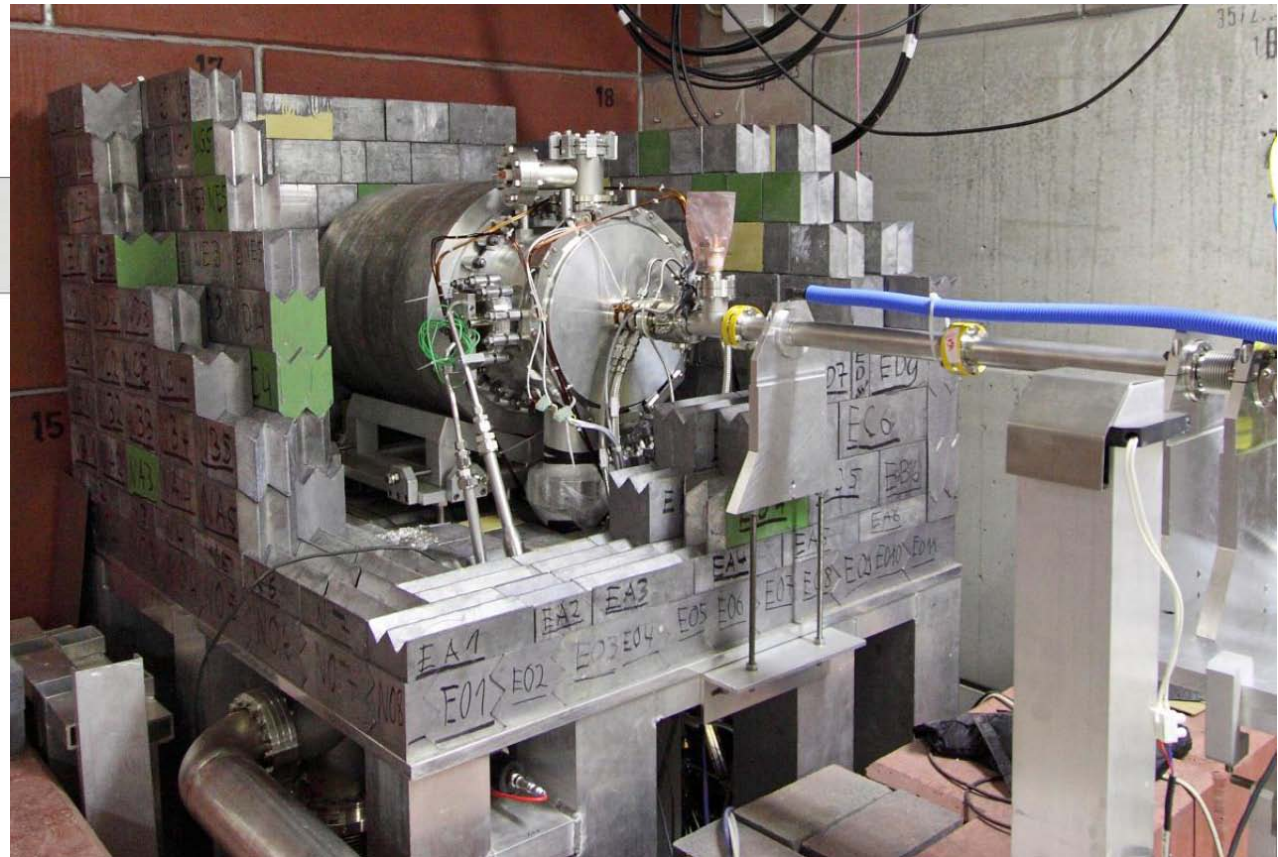
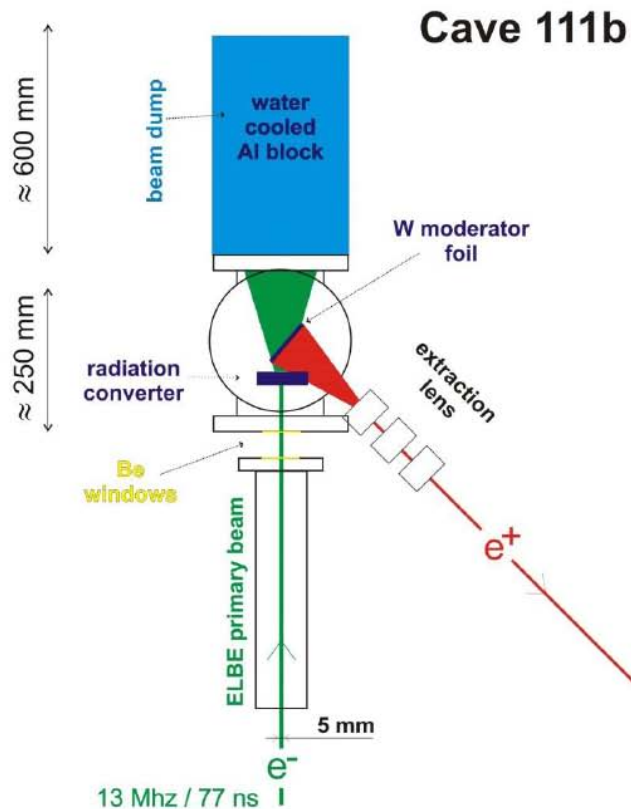
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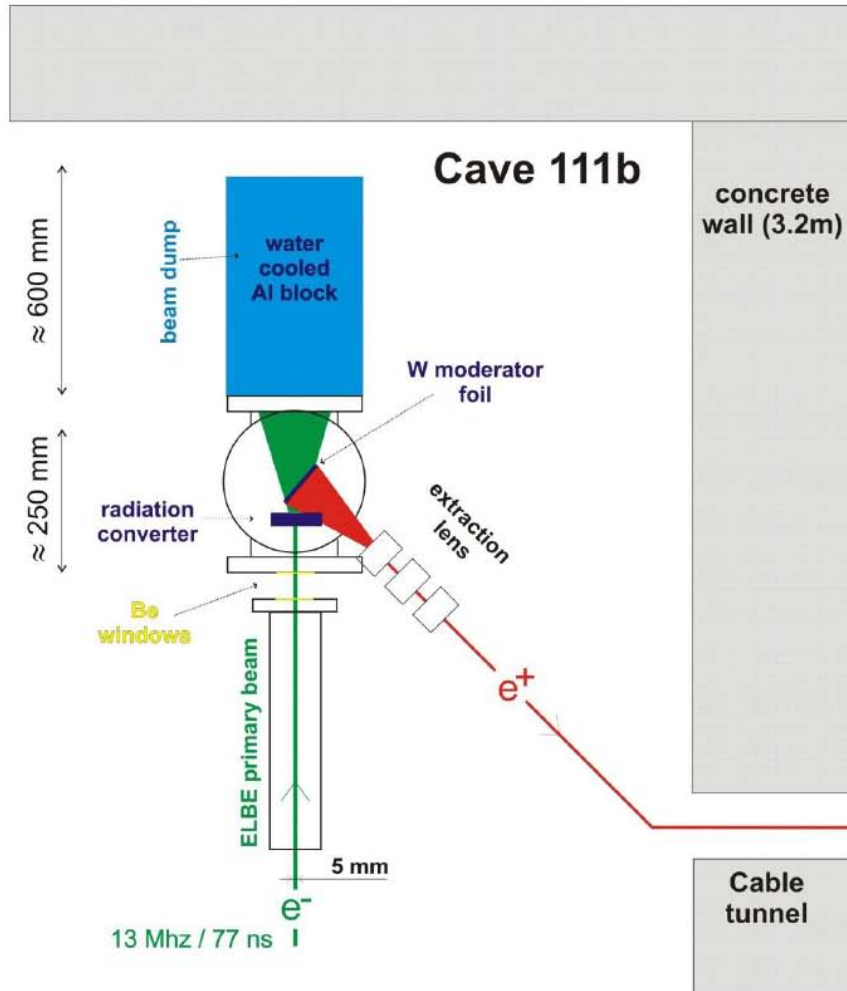
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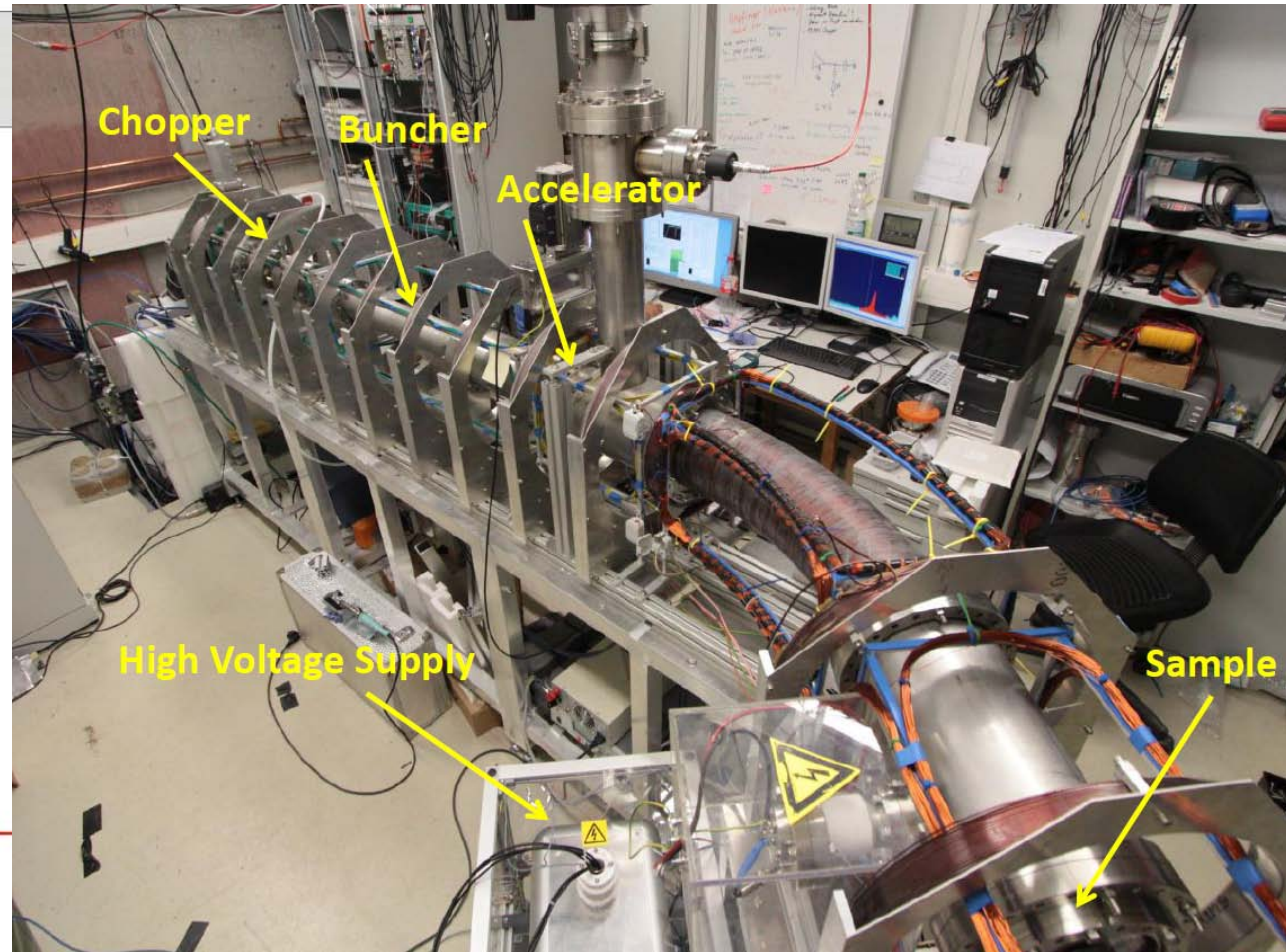
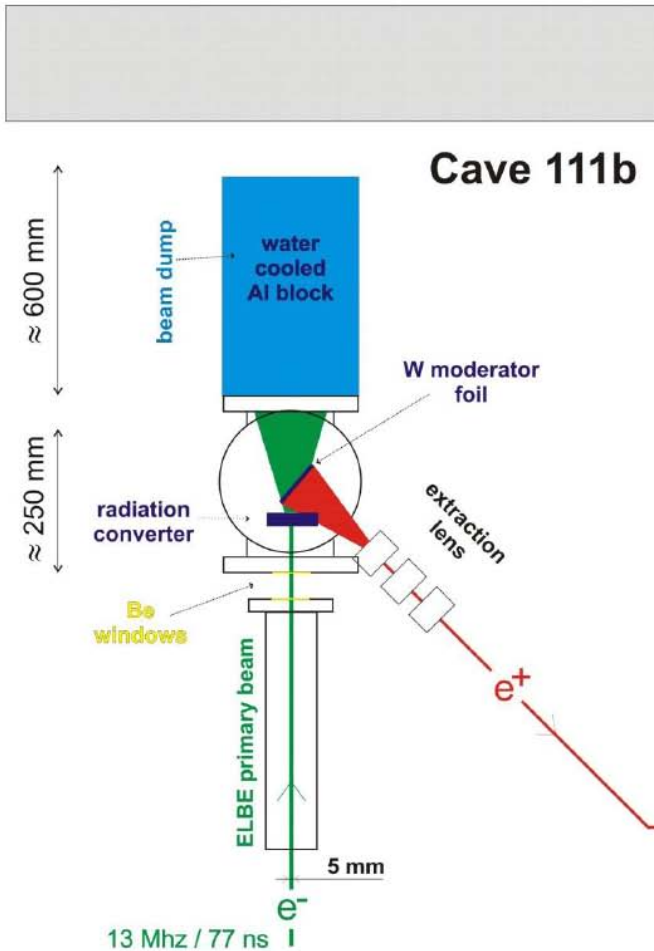
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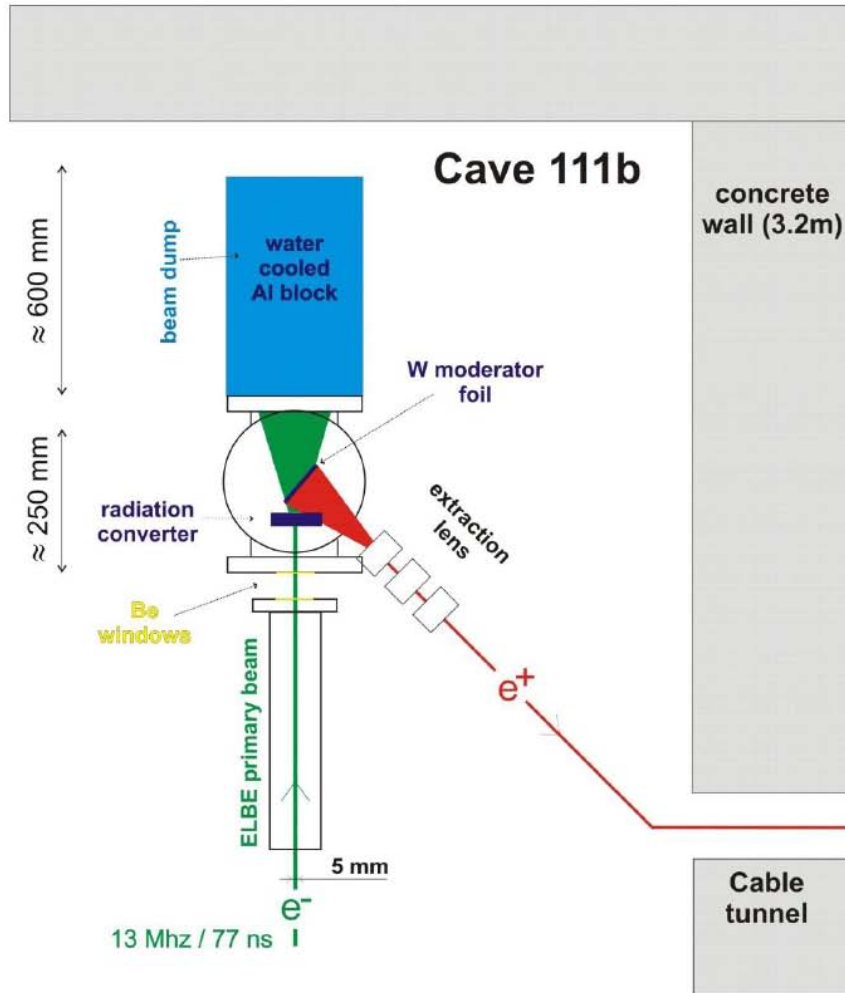
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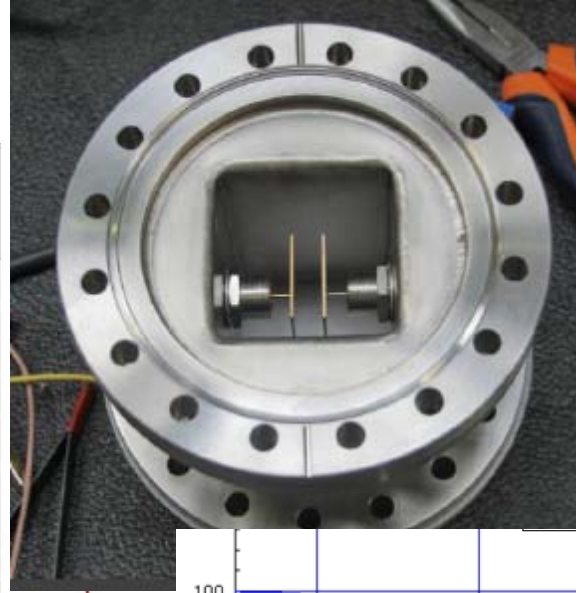


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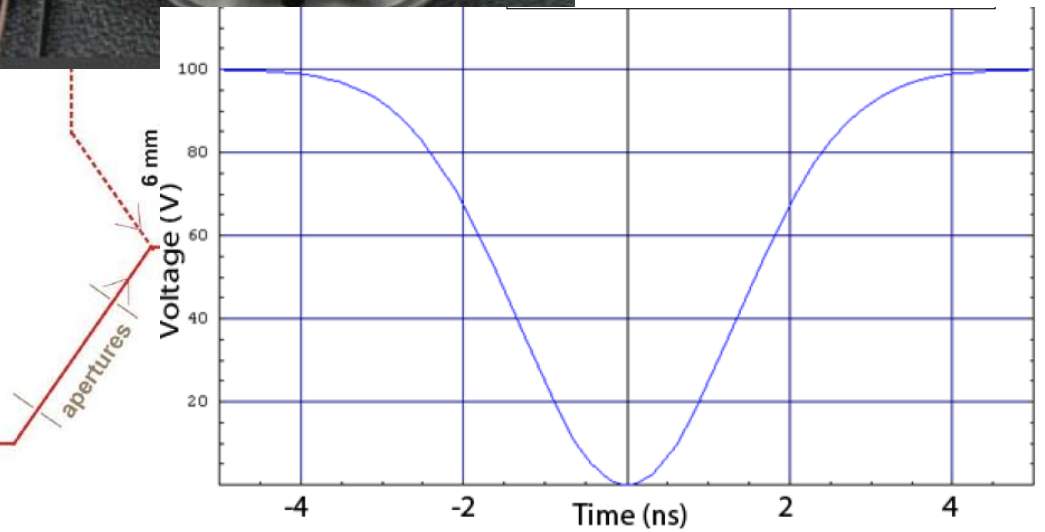
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chopper

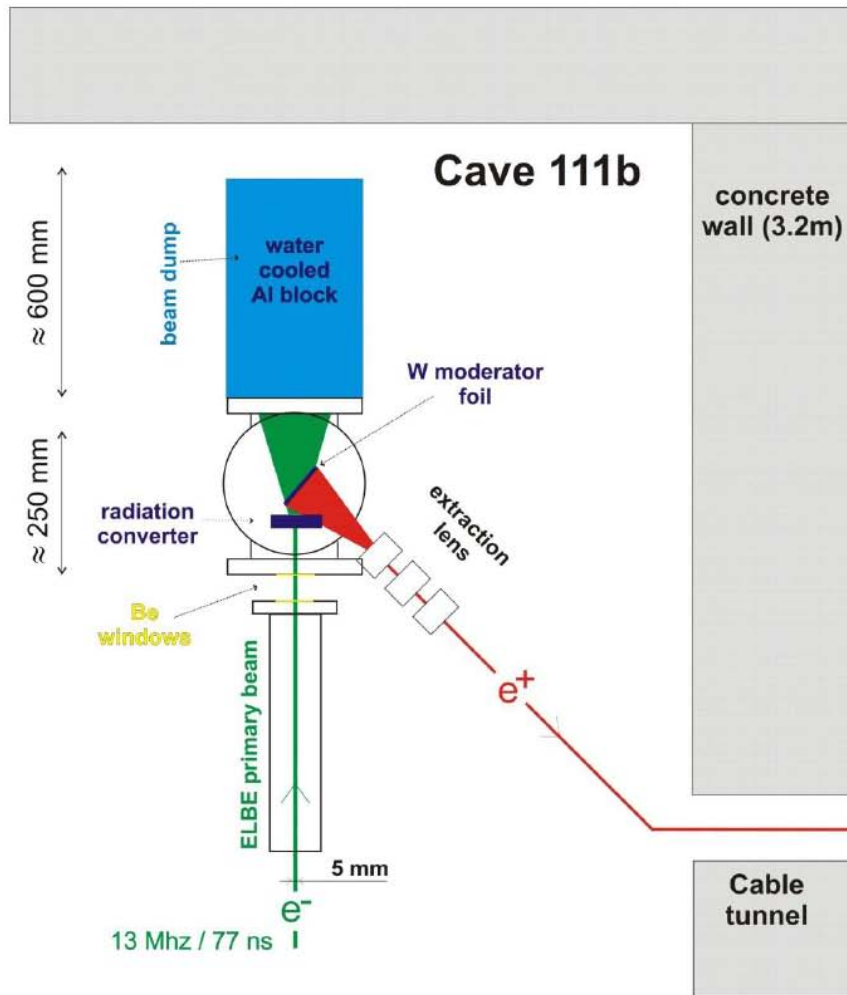


- 13 MHz, 100 V
- Gaussian pulse
- width 4 ns

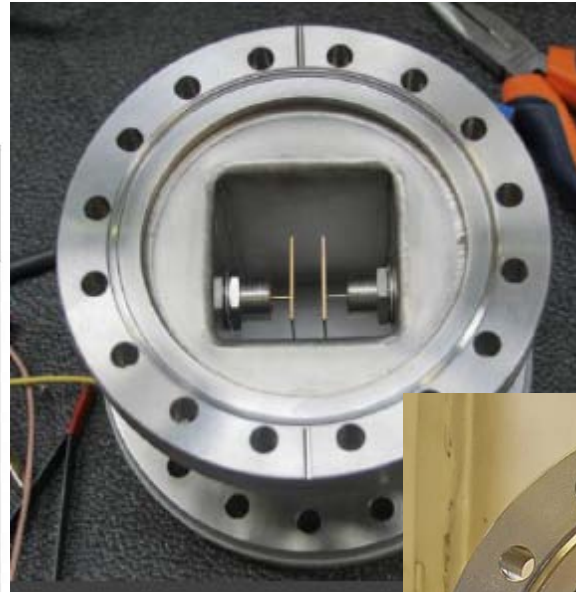


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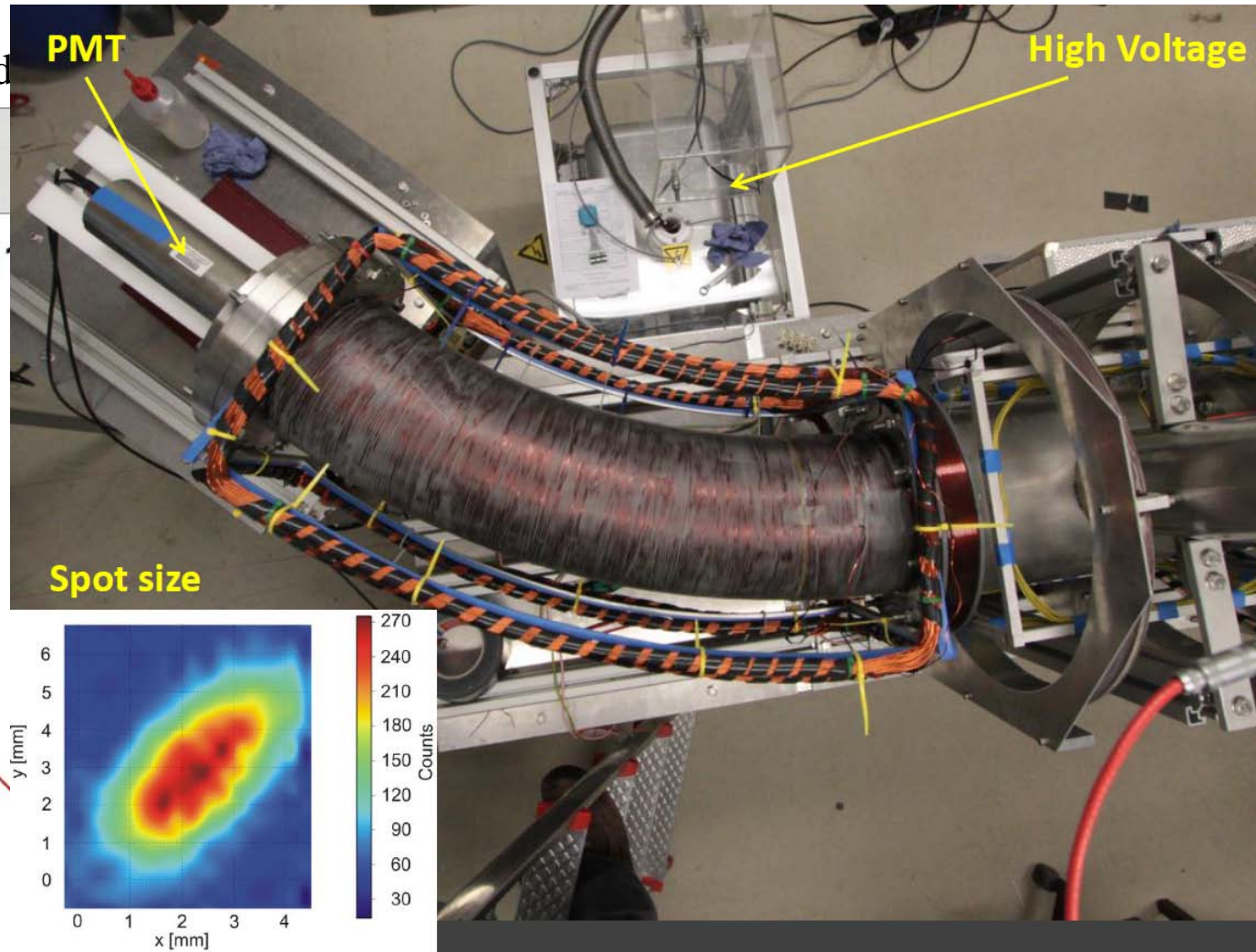
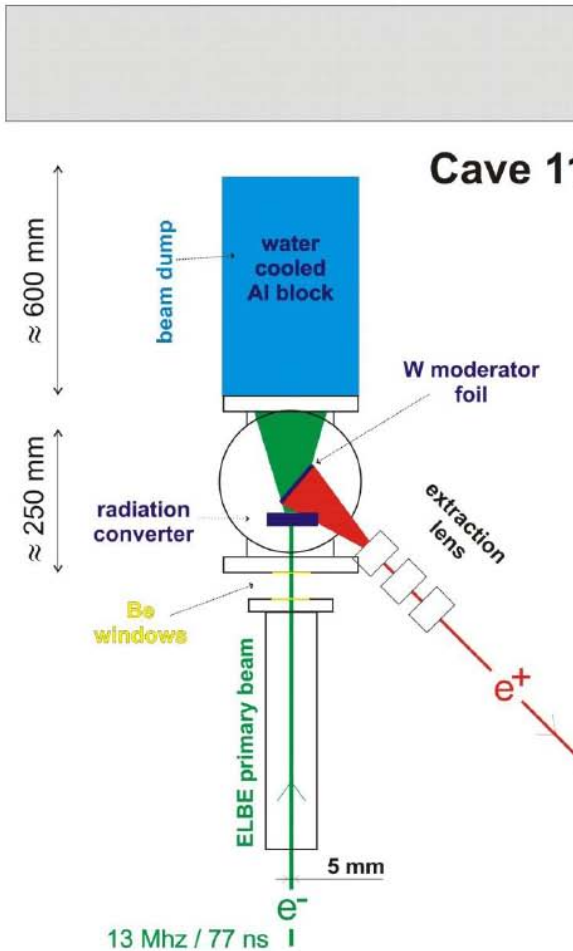


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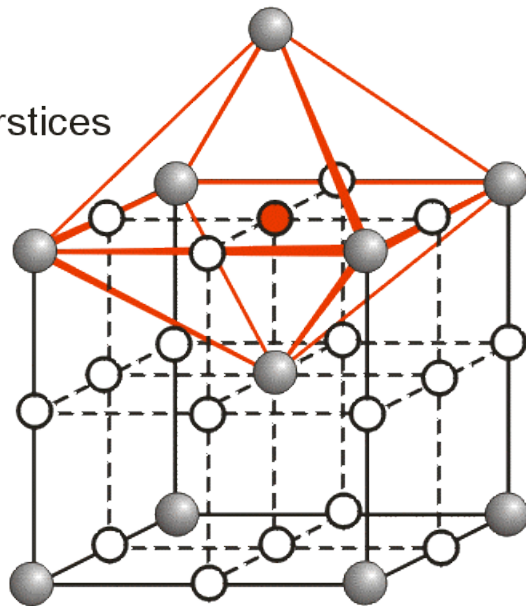
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Vacancy - hydrogen interaction in Nb

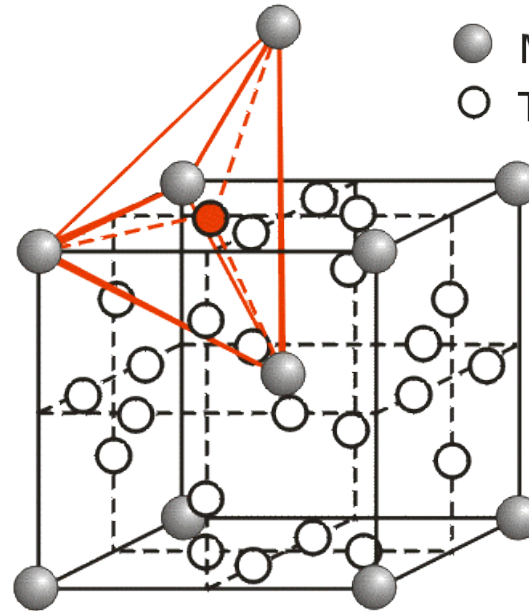
- **Hydrogen absorption in Nb**
- interstitial sites in bcc Nb lattice

● Metal atoms
○ Octahedral interstices



size (r_{Nb}): 0.155
 N_i/cell 6
 N_i/M 3

● Metal atoms
○ Tetrahedral interstices

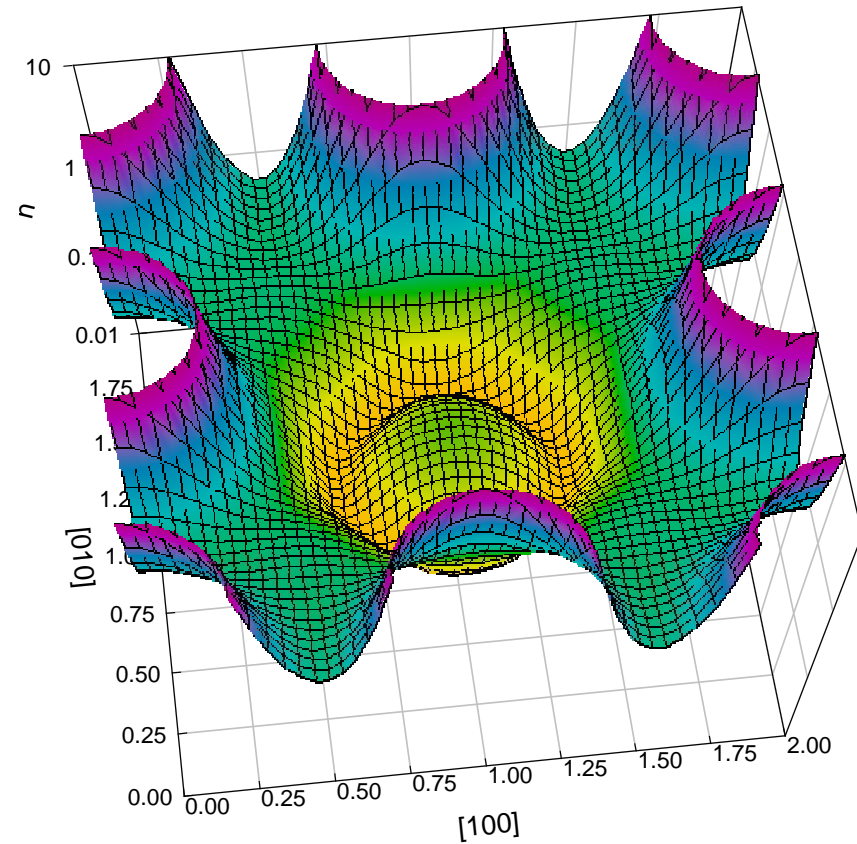
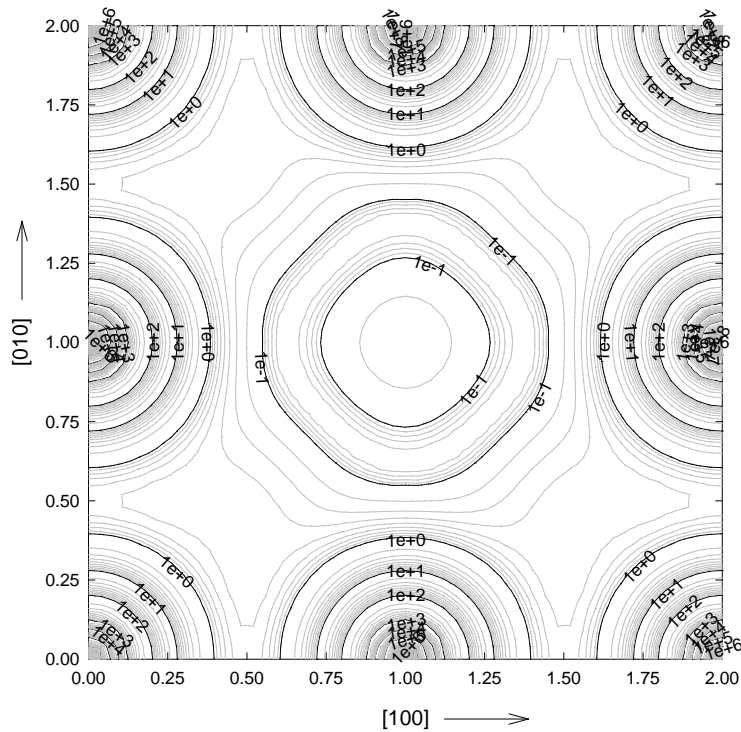


0.291
12
6

H \approx 0.35

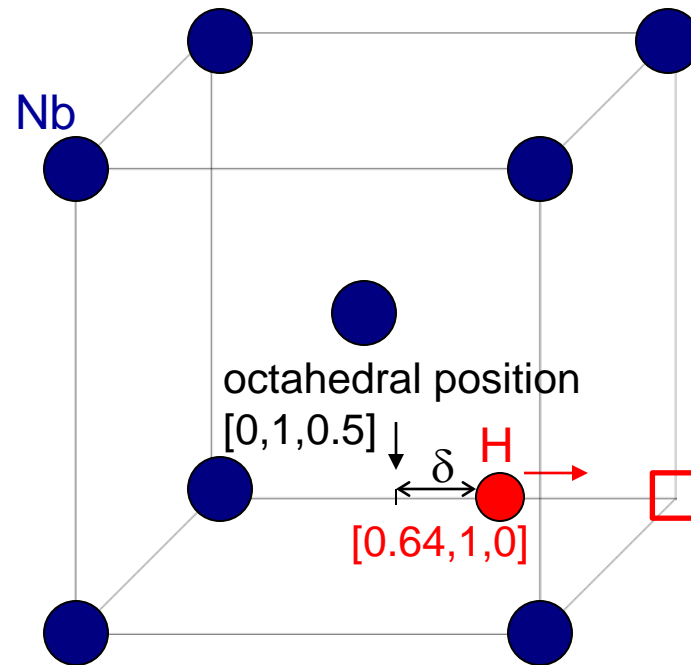
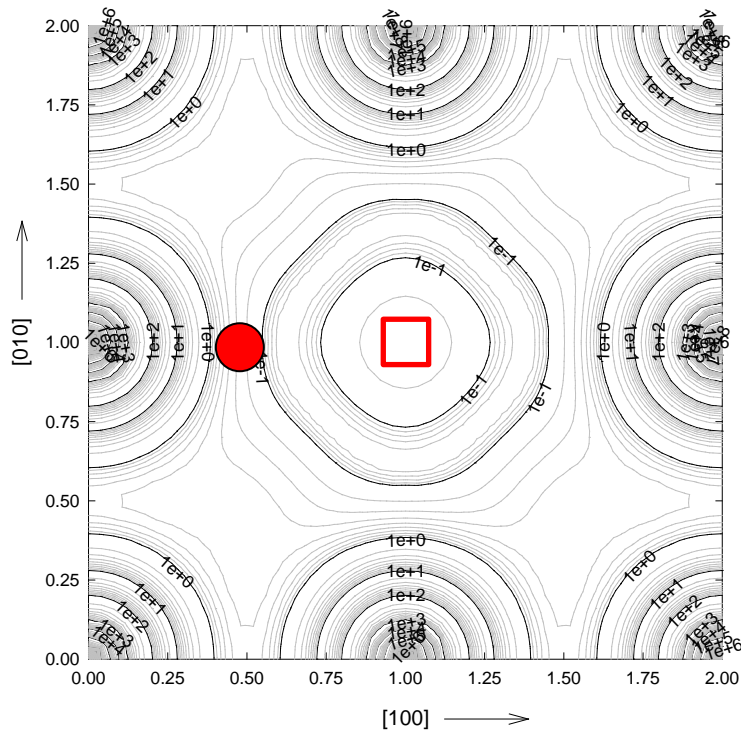
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- Nb with vacancy



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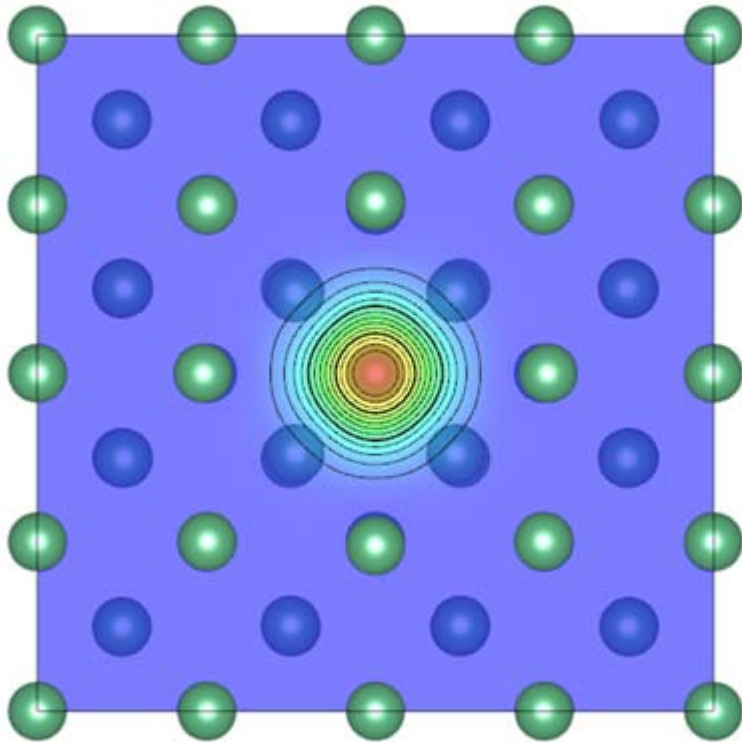


- displacement $\delta = 0.46(7)$ Å

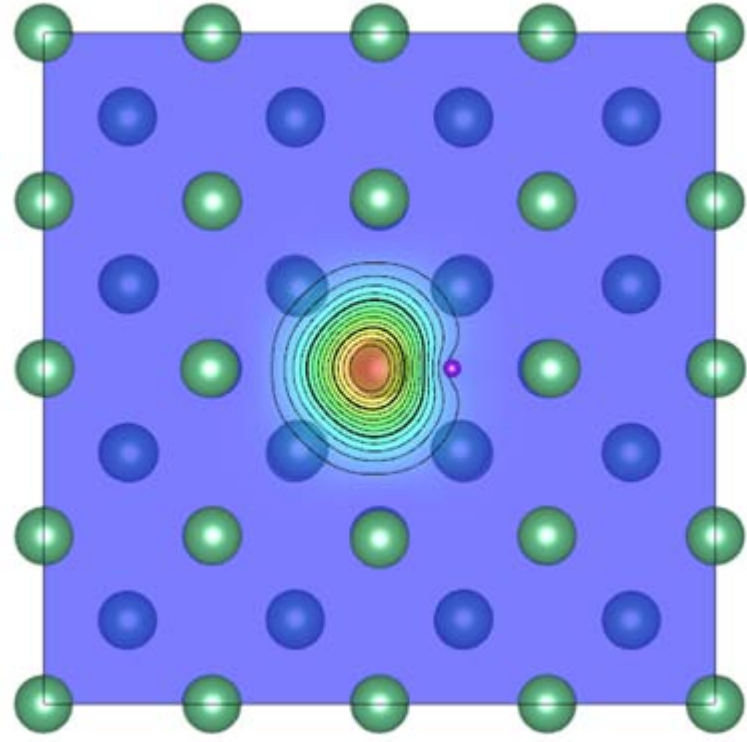
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- **Nb with vacancy**
- calculated positron density in (001) plane

V 202 ps



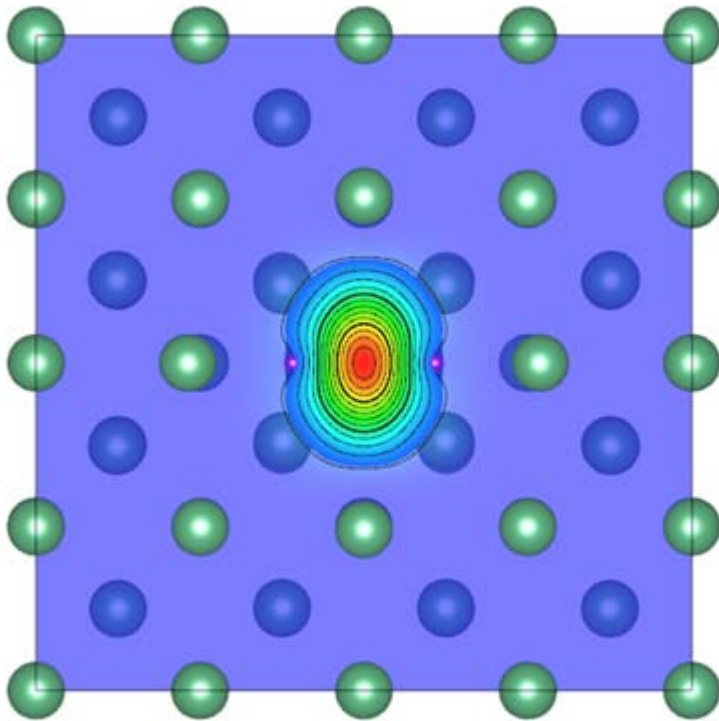
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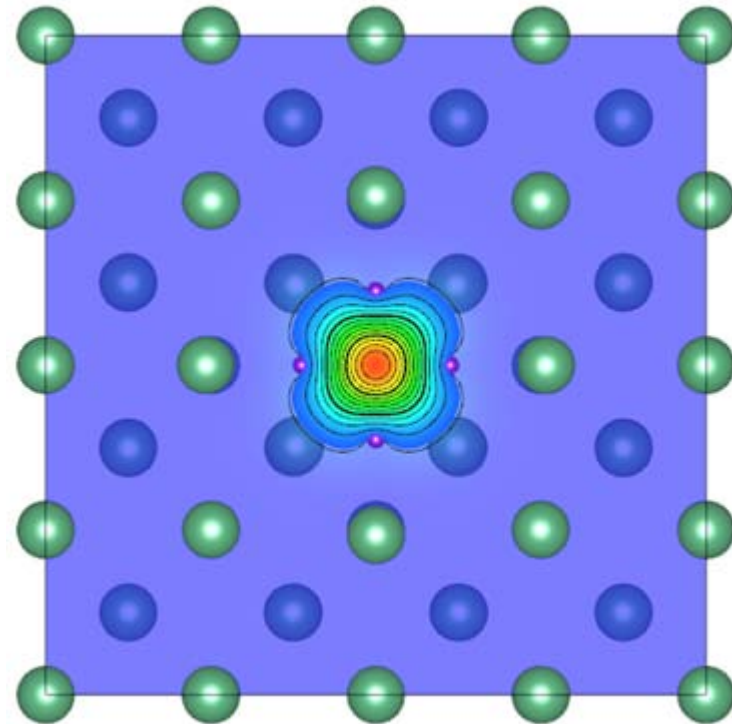
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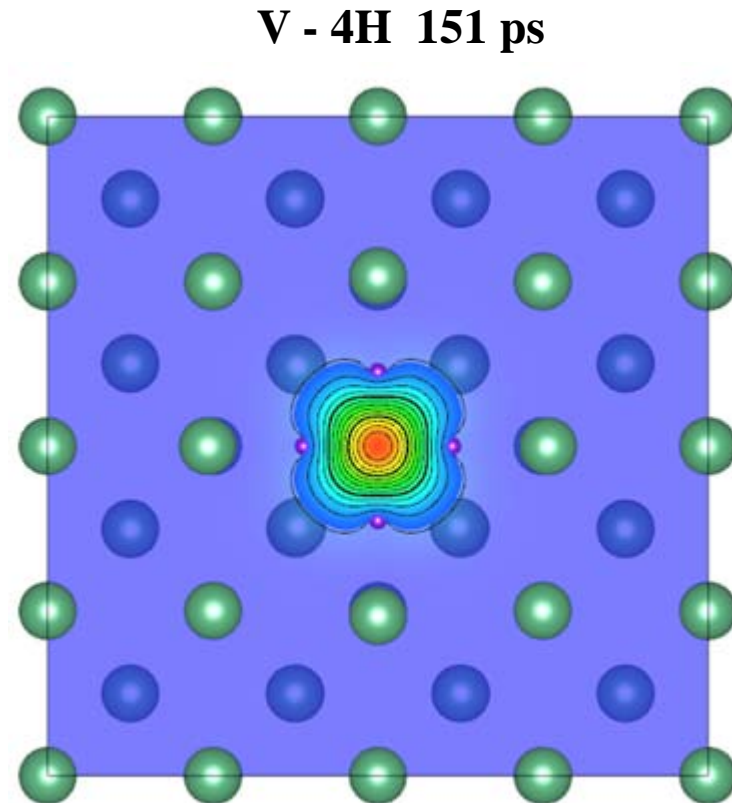
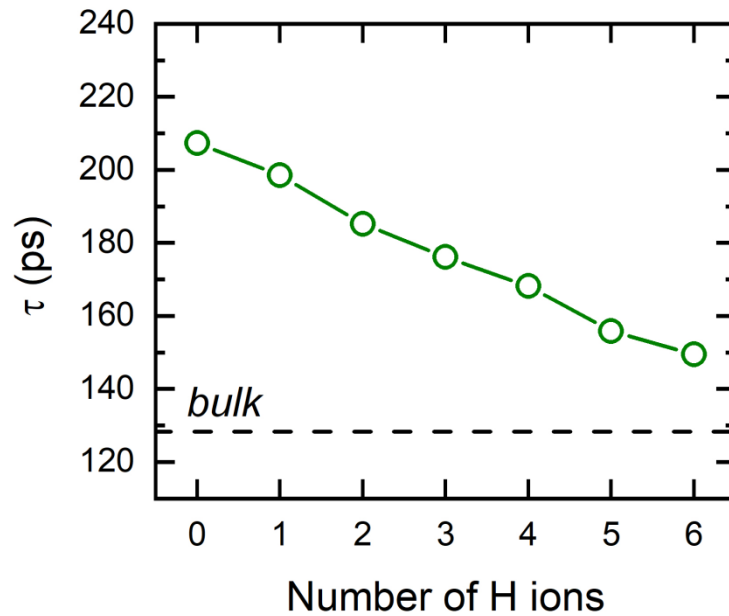


V - 4H 151 ps



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