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# Space charge compensated beam transport

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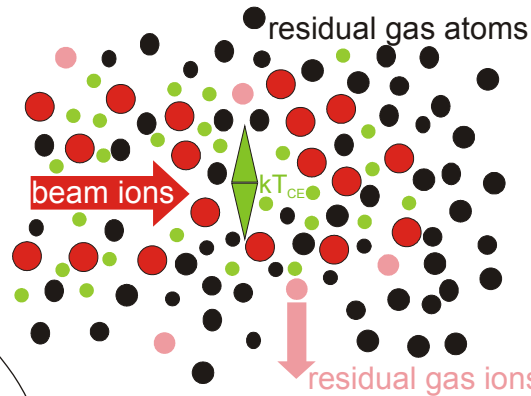
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# Motivation:

- 1) Was on the agenda since I started but it was never the time.....
- 2) FETS is an unique setup to do these studies on  $H^-$
- 3) Discussion in Lund concerning pre chopping in an magnetic LEBT.

## For positively charged beam ions

# Space charge compensation by ionisation of residual gas



The net charge density is given by :

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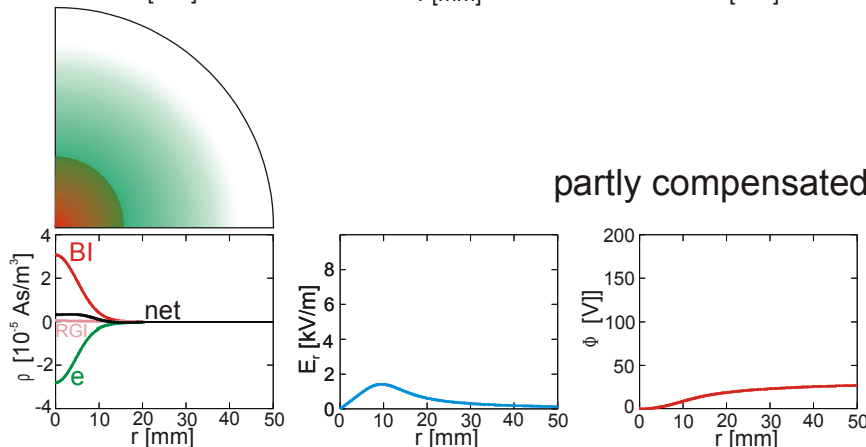
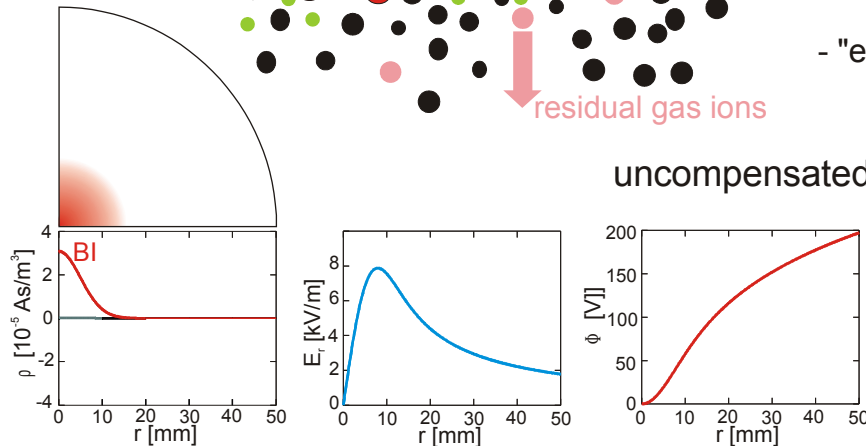
$$v_{RGI}(r) = \sqrt{\frac{2q_{RGI}[\Phi(r^*) - \Phi(r)]}{m_{RGI}}}$$

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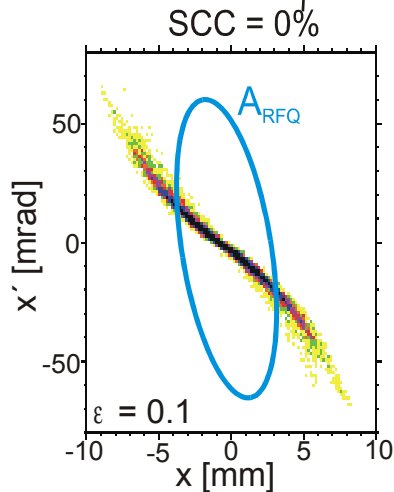
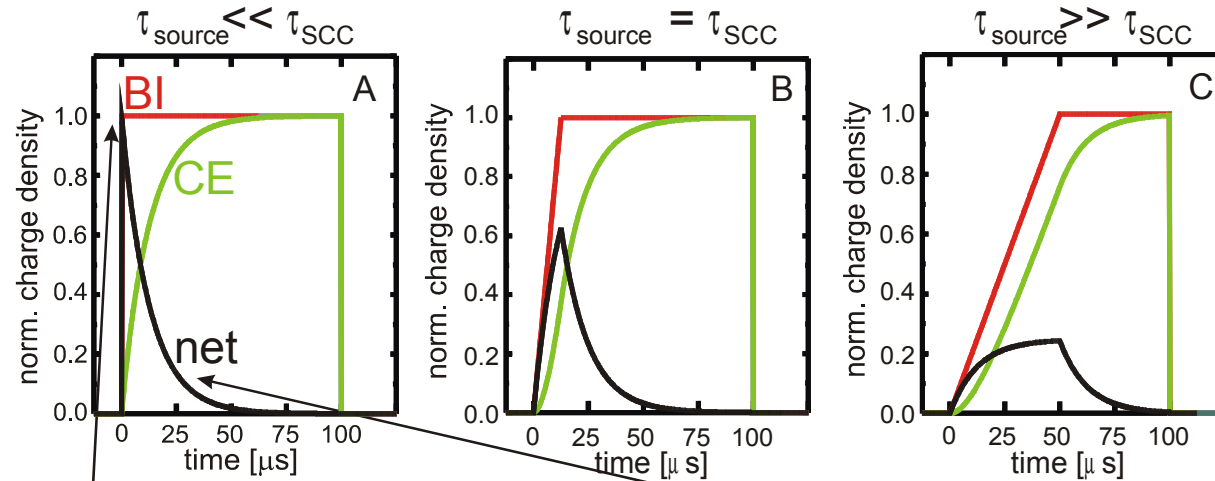
For a determination of the state of the "beamplasma" it is necessary to know :

- the radial beam ion density profile
- the residual gas pressure
  - cross sections
- electron density on axis
- electron temperature

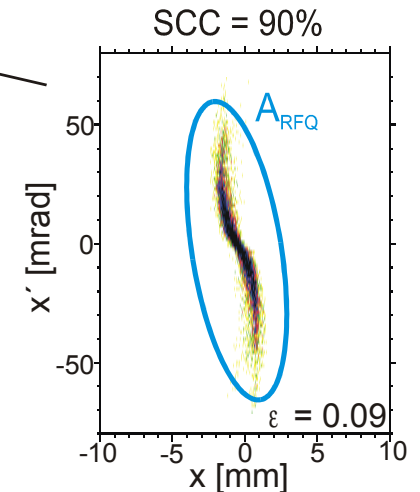


# Rise time of space charge compensation

$$\tau_{SCC} = \frac{1}{n_{RGA} * v_{BI} * \sigma_{CE}}$$



Rotation of phase space density distribution as a function of time  
Time dependent mismatch of RFQ injection  
Time dependent emittance growth



# Cross section for beam losses and space charge neutralisation

$$\sigma_{V,100keV} \cong 2.6 \cdot 10^{-19} [m^2]$$

$$\sigma_{V,10keV} \cong 4.1 \cdot 10^{-19} [m^2]$$

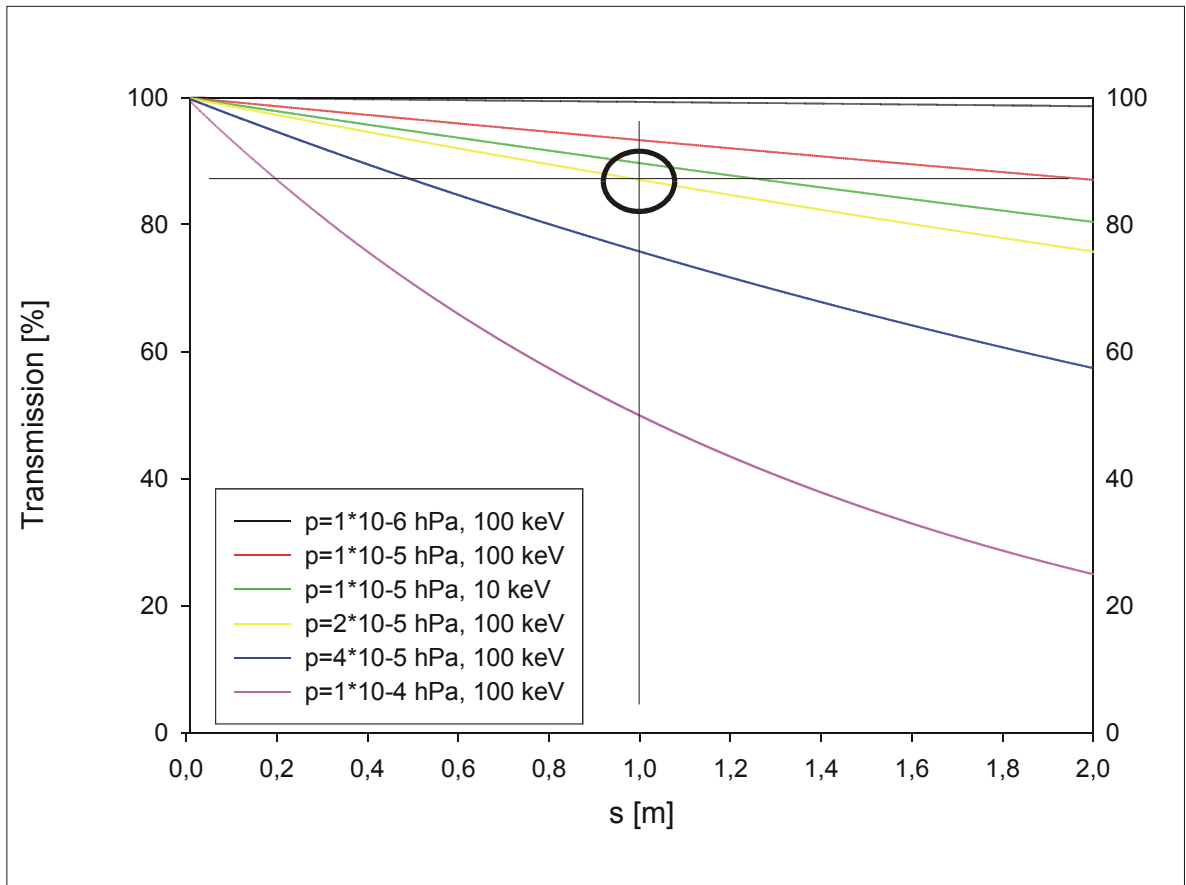
$$! 2.4 p_{\text{meas.}} = p_{\text{real}} !$$

$$\sigma_{KI,100keV} \cong 3 \cdot 10^{-21} [m^2]$$

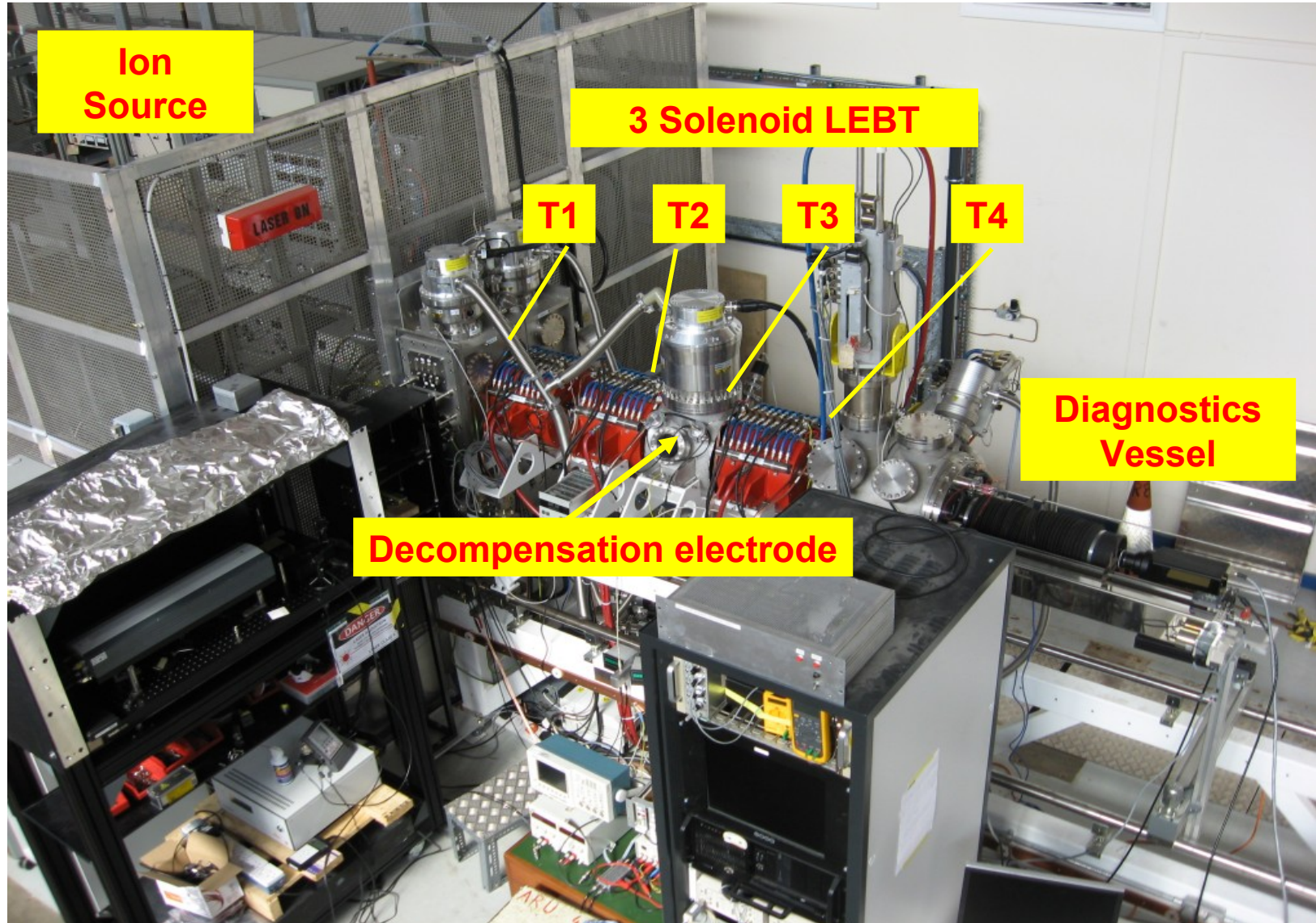
$$\tau_{p=2 \cdot 10^{-5} hPa} \approx 140 [\mu s]$$

$$\sigma_{KI,10keV} \cong 3.5 \cdot 10^{-21} [m^2]$$

$$\tau_{p=2 \cdot 10^{-5} hPa} \approx 390 [\mu s]$$



# Experimental setup 1 - externals

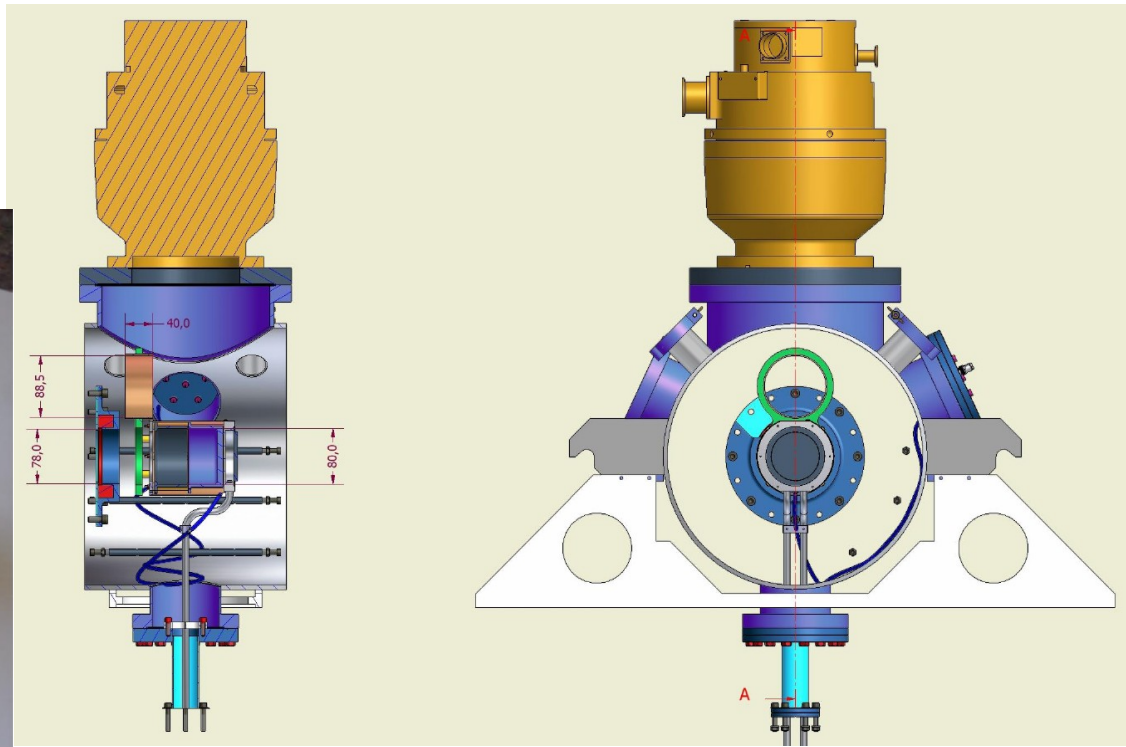
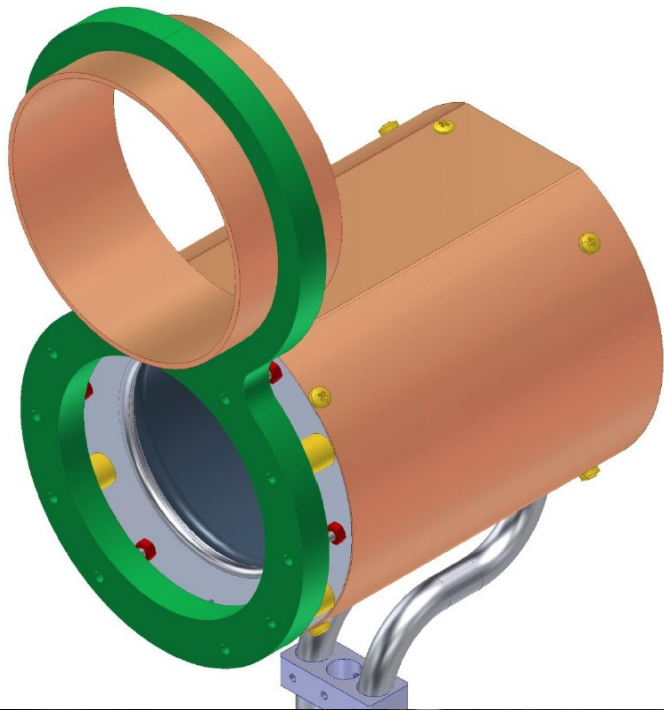




## Experimental setup 2 - internals

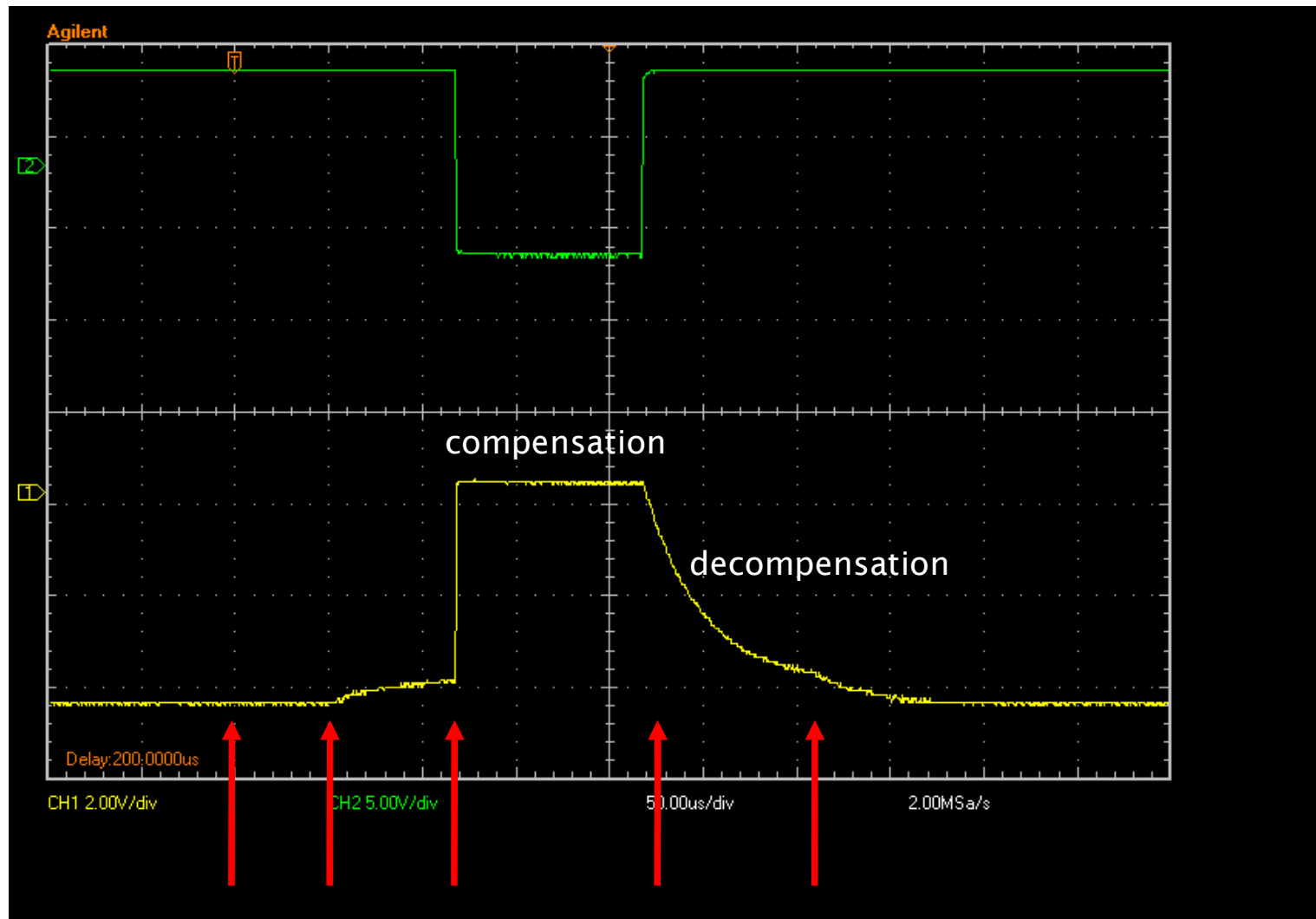
Decompensation electrode in LEBT  
drift vessel beam to influence degree  
of space charge compensation

The electrode can be biased to  $\sim -500$  V  
by a fast switch  
(off  $\sim 100$  ns; on  $\sim 50$   $\mu$ s)



# Decompensation electrode voltage timing

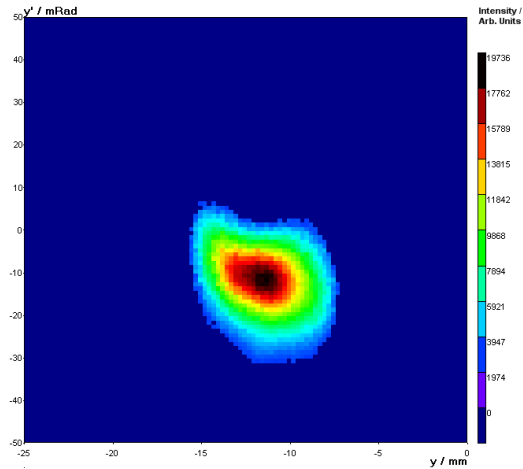
H<sup>-</sup> , Beam energy 65 keV, current ~40 mA, ~250  $\mu$ s pulselength , ~50  $\mu$ s trigger delay, HV off 120  $\mu$ s after trigger on 220  $\mu$ s after trigger



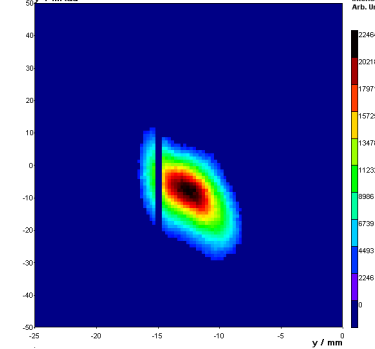
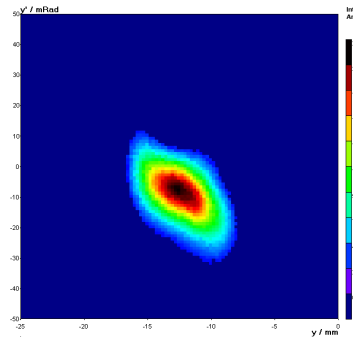


# Compensation / decompensated transport at nominal pressure

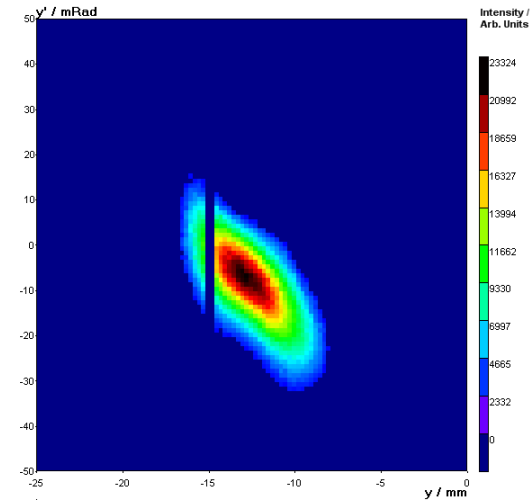
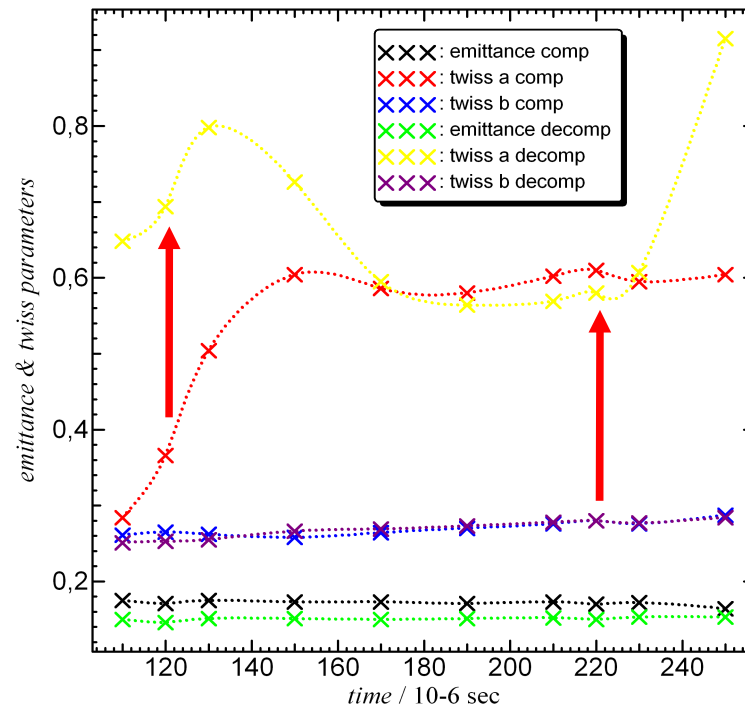
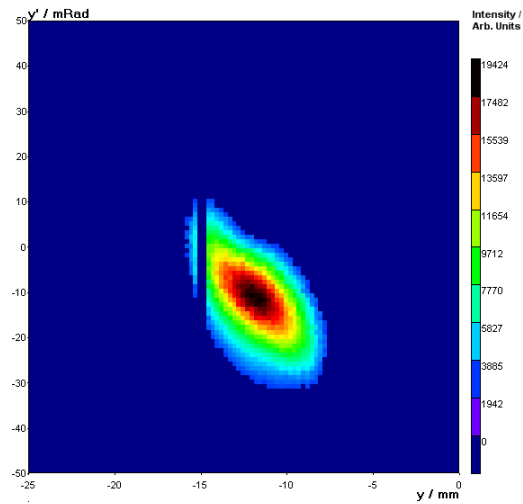
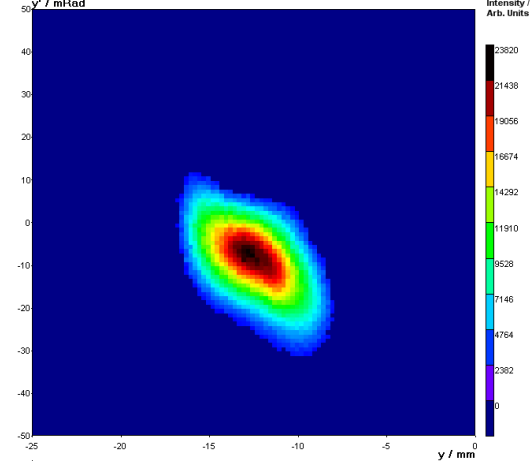
110  $\mu\text{s}$



190  $\mu\text{s}$



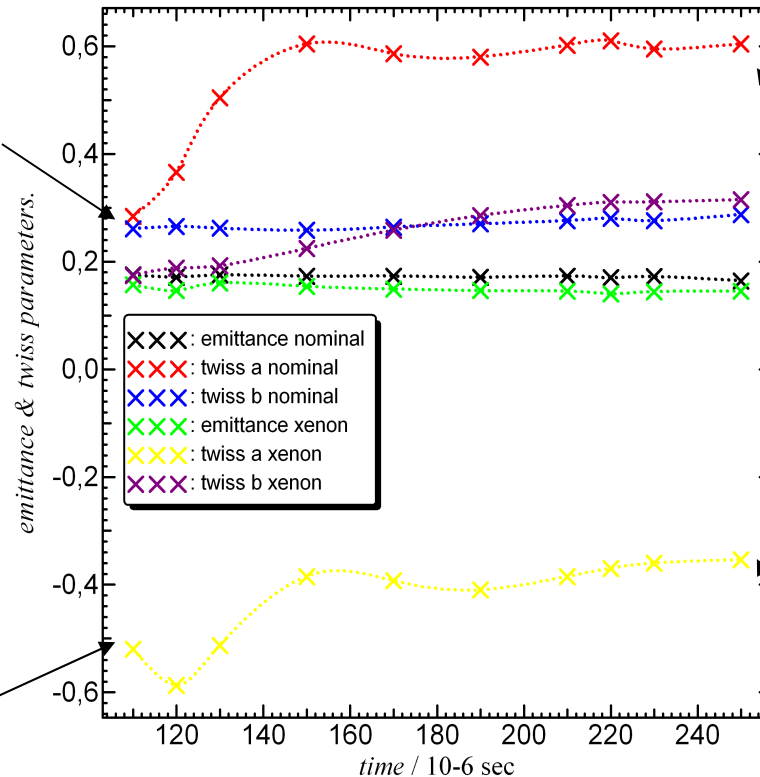
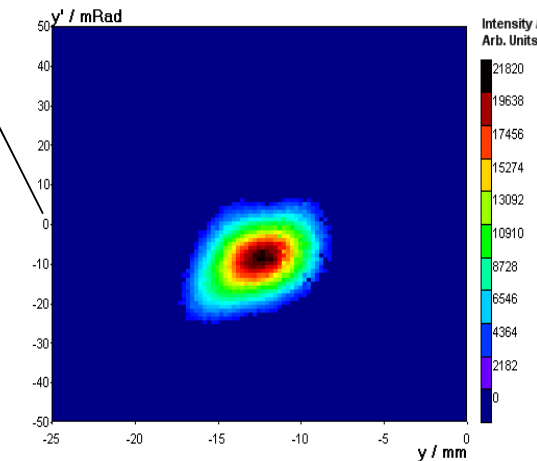
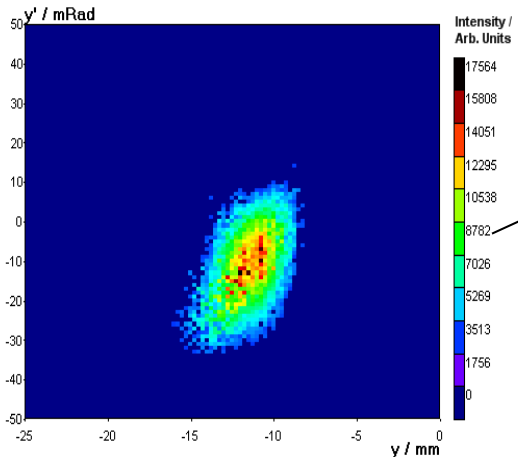
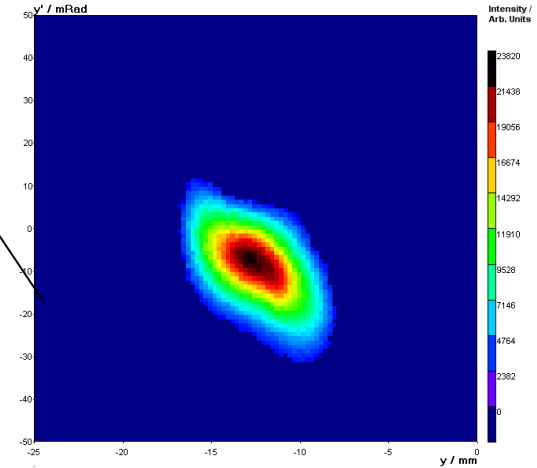
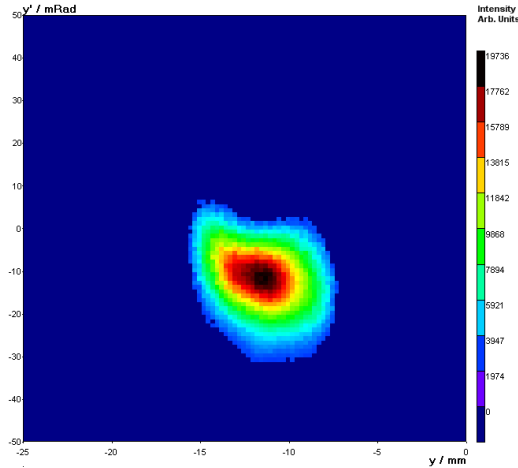
250  $\mu\text{s}$



# Effect of increased residual gas pressure on beam transport (nominal: $8 \cdot 10^{-6}$ hPa and additional Xenon $+7 \cdot 10^{-6}$ hPa)

110  $\mu$ s

250  $\mu$ s



focus shifts several cm towards then ion source => less space charge, better compensation

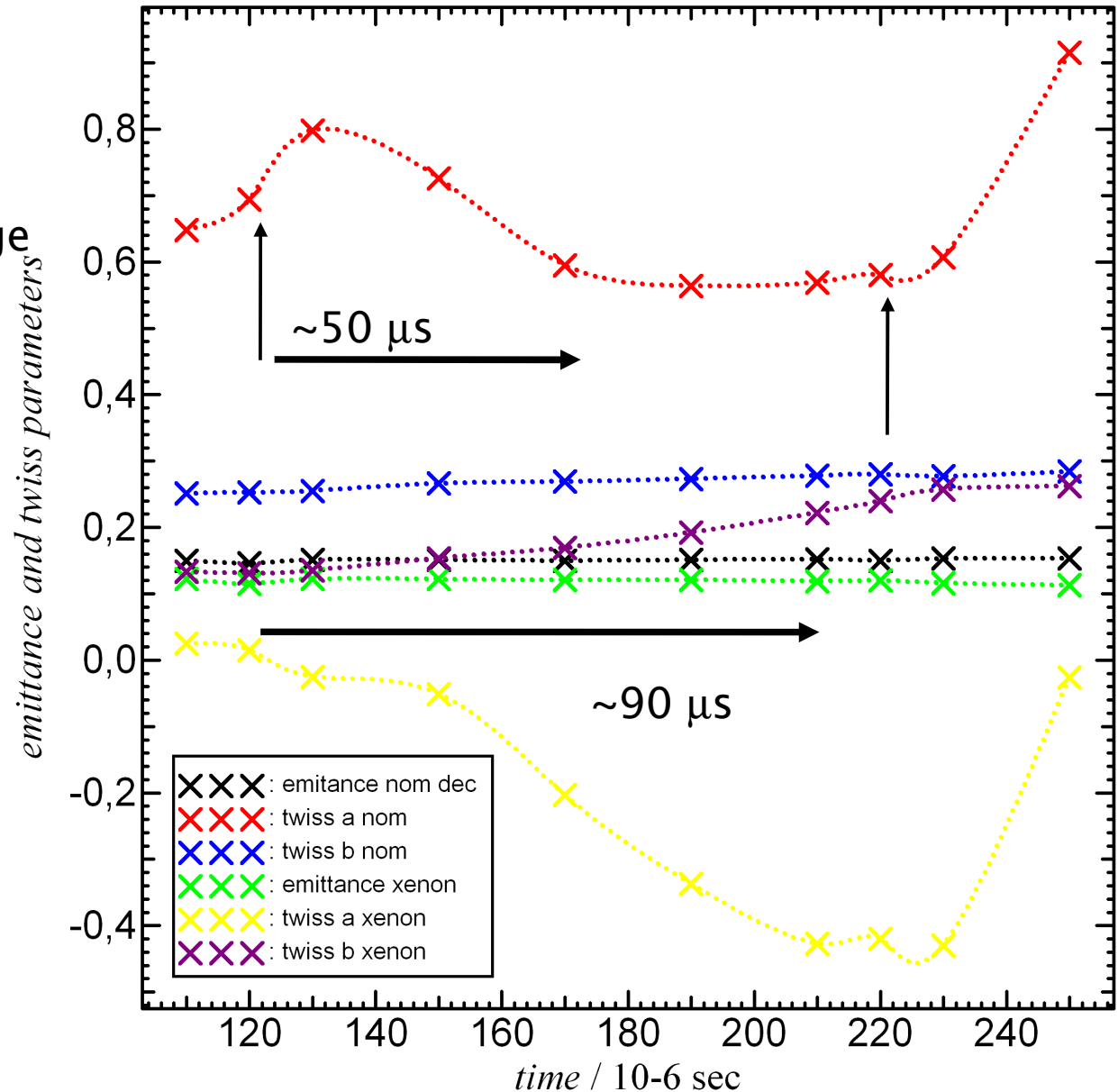
# Decompensation at different pressure

Even stranger :  
An increase in residual gas pressure increases the rise time of space charge compensation.

One effect specific for Negatively charged ion beam could give an explanation for both observations.....

Overcompensation....

Reported by russians in the '80s, should work very well with heavy gases....



# For negatively charged overcompensated beam ions Space charge compensation by ionisation of residual gas

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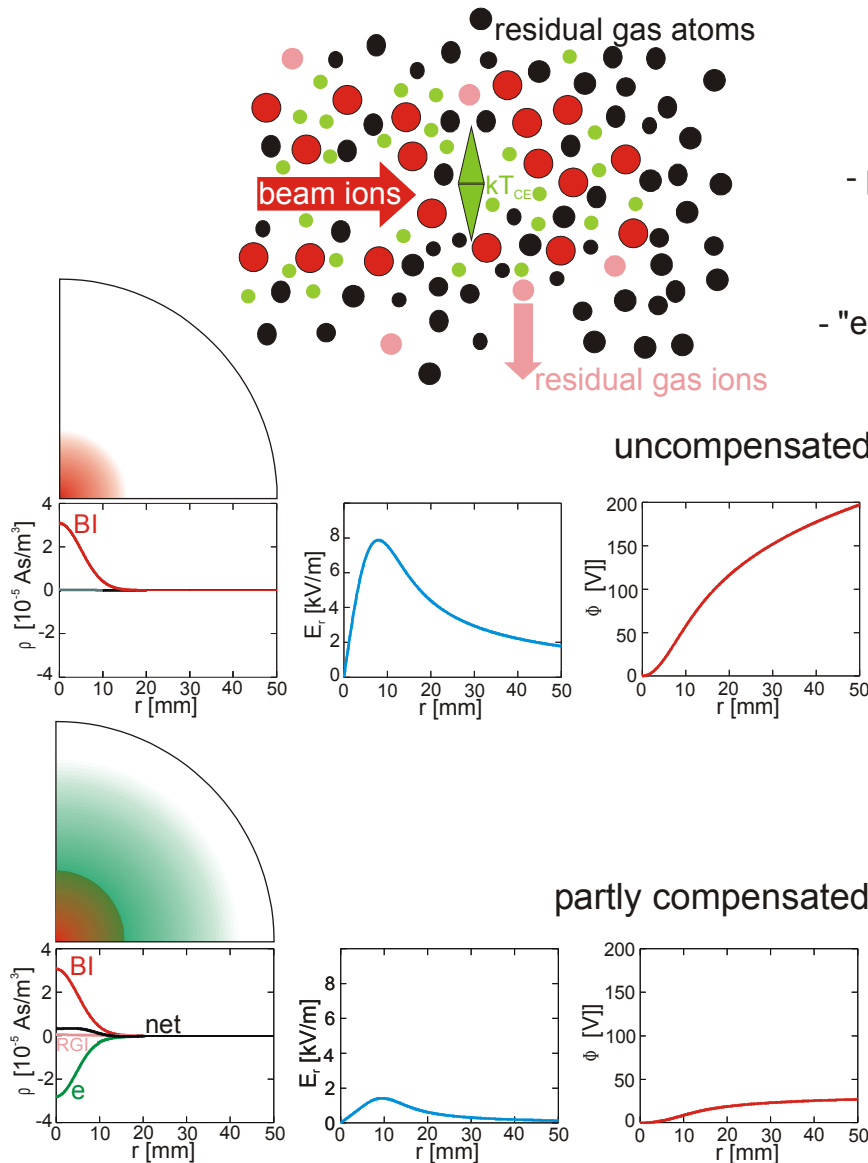
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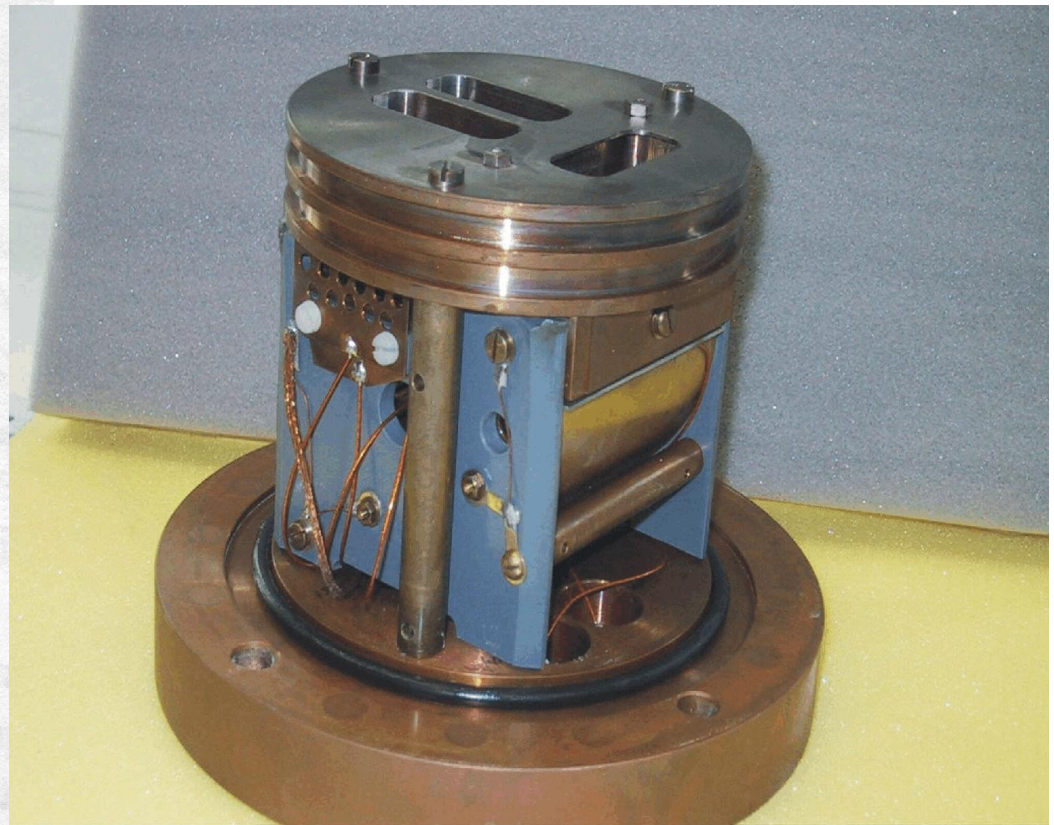
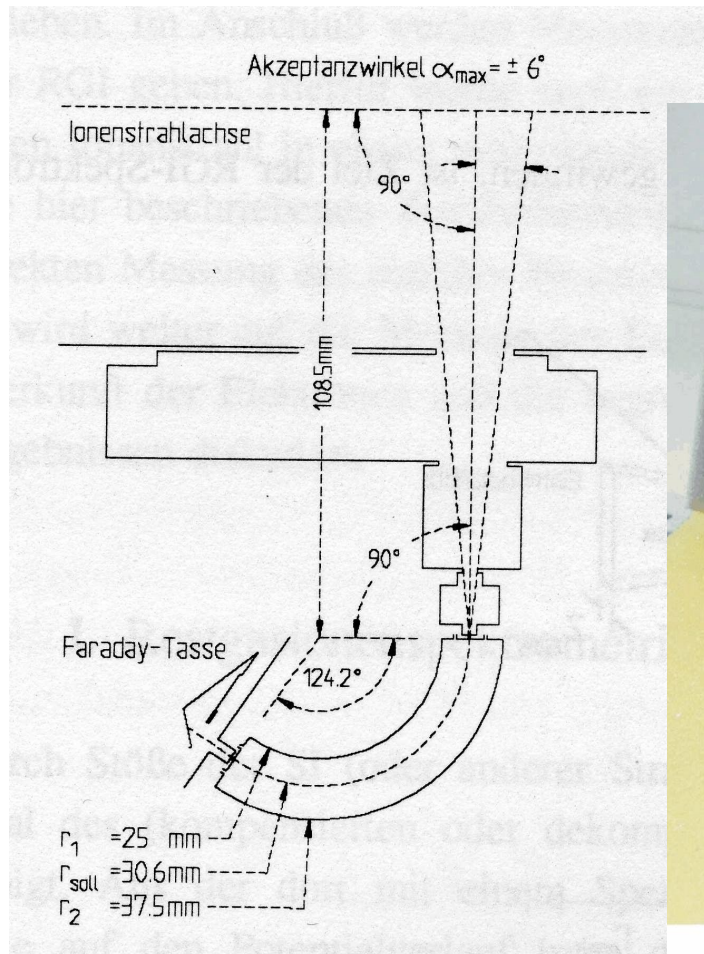
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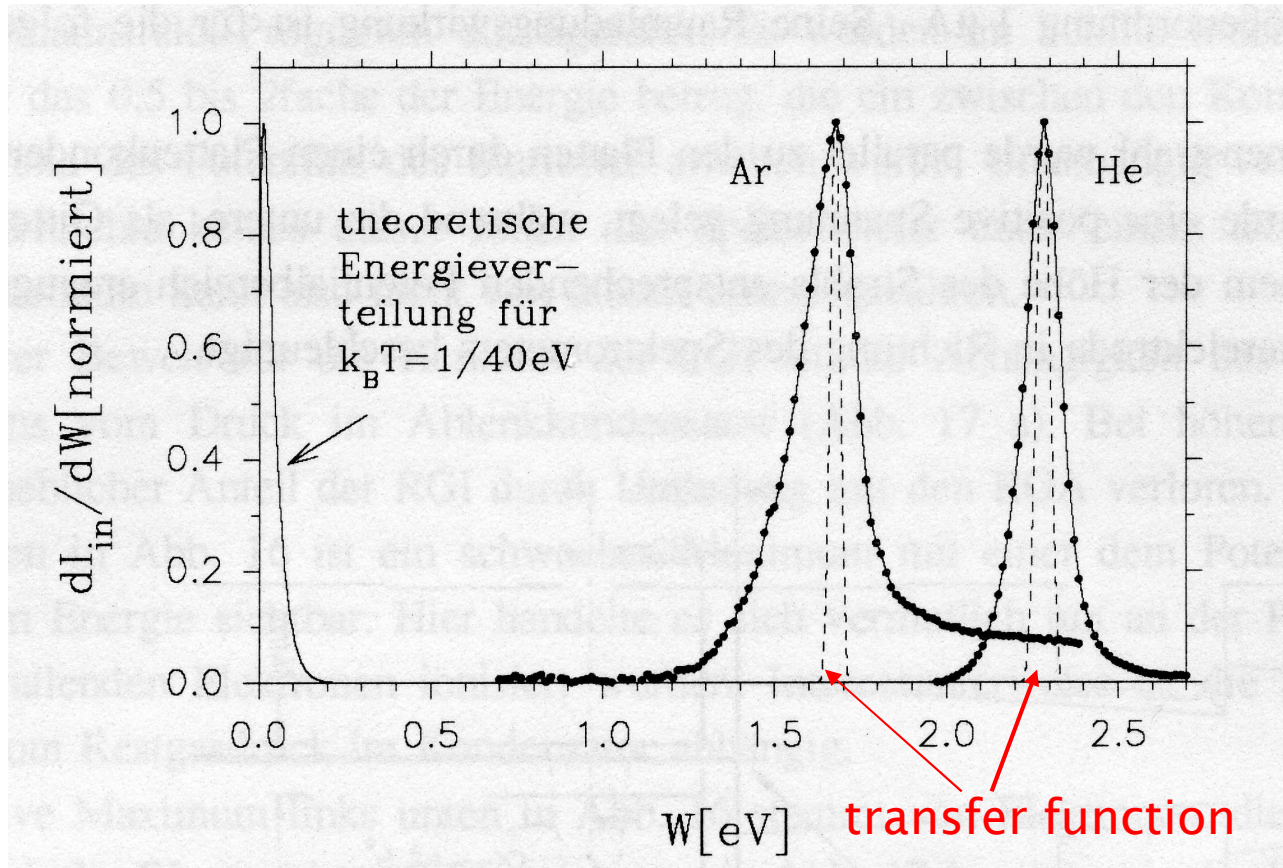
Possible as the low loss rate of RGI (= production in equilibrium) due to the high inertia allows for a limited RGI density. This density increases with mass of the RGI.

# Electrostatic Spectrometer of the Hugh Rojanski type





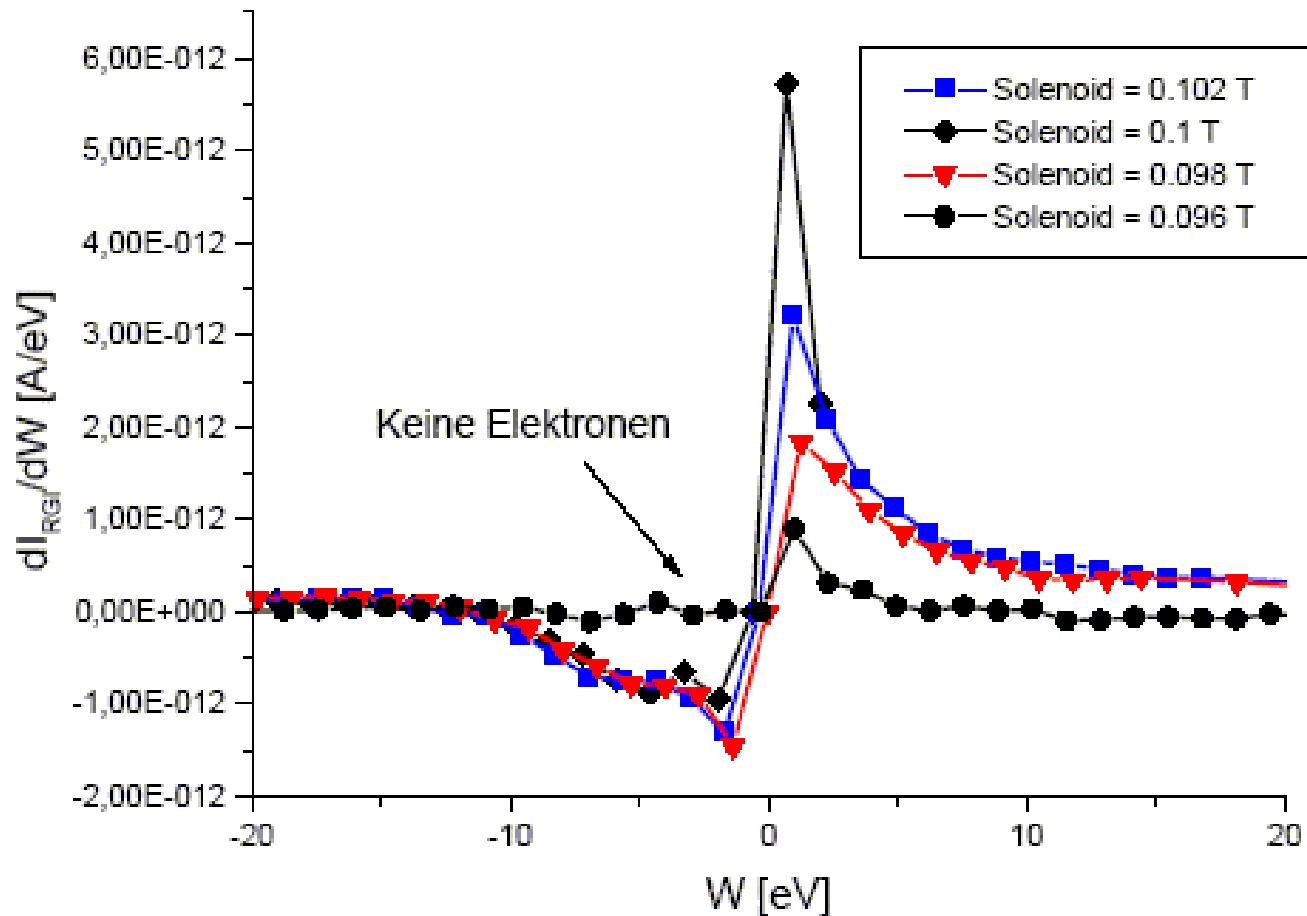
# Performance measurements of the HR Spectrometer by use of electron impact



The results of the measurements proofed for He, that the gained ion energy spectra are given by the transfer function and the thermal energy only.



## “Measurement” of degree of space charge compensation for the transport of H<sup>+</sup> ions



# Next steps:

- Rise time of SCC under nominal conditions is  $\sim 50 \mu\text{s}$  as expected, results on emittance not conclusive
- Experiment with heavy residual gas indicate overcompensation.
- Further measurements :
- Beam cross over in drift 3 => emittance growth should be stronger
- Investigate overcompensation together with an RGIS.
- RGI could be ready until January, cost  $\sim 500\text{£}$  (without channeltron)
- Measurements in February / March ?
- Effect might be academic for the beam transport in the LEBT, but should give a strong indication on the processes to be expected in the ion source under similar conditions. **I would strongly recommend measurements with heavy gases in the ion source (especially spectrums first) before times 2 source is constructed.**