### Deceleration of H-like uranium ions in a crystal (in channeling conditions)

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#### 1. Ion flux in channeling

#### Interaction with a non uniform electron gas



Flux redistribution at equilibrium  $\Rightarrow$ Interaction with valence electron Reduced electron density  $\Rightarrow$  Reduced energy loss (~ factor 2)

## Charge exchange by channeled ions

Interaction with a quasi free electron gas :

- Radiative Electron Capture (REC) :
  - □ Energy and momentum balance ⇒ photon (inverse of photoelectric effect)
- Electron Impact Ionization



Extinction of close collisions processes :

- Mechanical Electron Capture (MEC) : non radiative capture
  - □ 3-body capture (target recoil)
- Nuclear Impact Ionization

### The ESR storage ring at GSI



U<sup>91+</sup> 20 MeV/u (2001) U<sup>91+</sup> 12 MeV/u (2005)

$$\eta_K = \langle \mathbf{v} / \mathbf{v}_K \rangle^2 \approx 0.085, \ \eta_L \approx 0.35, \ \eta_M \approx 0.8$$

#### $\Rightarrow$ Far from charge equilibrium in matter

#### **Experimental setup scheme Cave A beam line**







• Random orientation : MEC and NII dominate  $\Rightarrow$  charge equilibrium

• Axial orientation :  $F(Q_{out})$  connected to  $F(E_{\perp})$ 

broad distributions

Axis <110> : 30% of frozen ions (Q=91+)

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## X-ray spectra (90°)

#### $U^{91+}~20~MeV/u \rightarrow 11.7~\mu m$ Si







#### **Charge state distributions**

#### $U^{91+}\,12~MeV/u \rightarrow 18.3~\mu m$ Si



Frozen transmitted U<sup>91+</sup> ions

~ 0.3% for (110) planar channeling ~1 % for <110> axial channeling

#### **Deceleration of highly charged U ions**



energy loss @ 20 MeV/u :  $\Delta E_{axial} = [0.75-1] \text{ MeV/u} \sim \Delta E_{random} = 1 \text{ MeV/u}$ energy loss @ 12 MeV/u :  $\Delta E_{planar} = 2.55 \text{ MeV/u} > \Delta E_{random} = 2.3 \text{ MeV/u}$ For E< 15 MeV/u : dE/dx (channeled U<sup>91+</sup>) > dE/dx (random)

# 5. Conclusion Conclusion

- High energy loss rate ⇒ crystal decelerator
  - □ Deceleration of U<sup>91+</sup> from 12 to 9.45 MeV/u in a 18  $\mu$ m thick crystal
  - □ Test for stopping power theory at very high perturbation regime

Channeling of highly charged, slow heavy ions

- Detailed study of charge exchange as a function of impact parameter
  - MEC: capture into high n-shells far from atomic strings
  - REC: probe for the dynamic electron gas polarization

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• Future  $\rightarrow$  FAIR (SPARC collaboration)

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