

# New low temperature and superconductivity technology challenges

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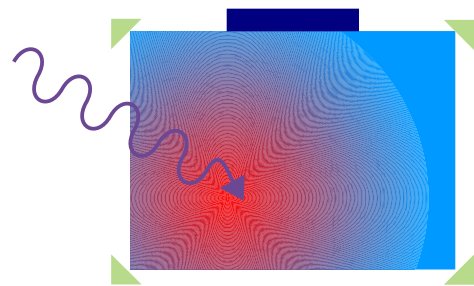
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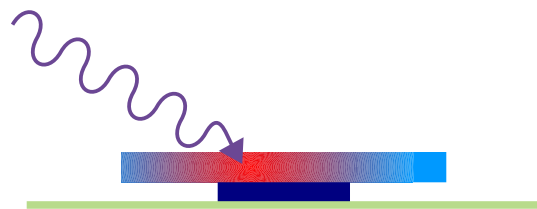
# Sensor technologies for LTD

Dark Matter  
 $\beta\beta 0\nu$   
 $\gamma$  spect. / n spect.  
 Scint./Cherenkov  
 light detectors  
 Coherent  $\nu$  scatt.  
 Low  $E$   $\gamma$  spect.  
 neutrino mass  
 X-ray spect.  
 $\alpha$  spect.  
 single photon  
 mm  $\rightarrow$  THz  
 bolometry/  
 radiometry  
 ...

**quasi-equilibrium LTD**  
 thermal phonon sensors



calorimeter



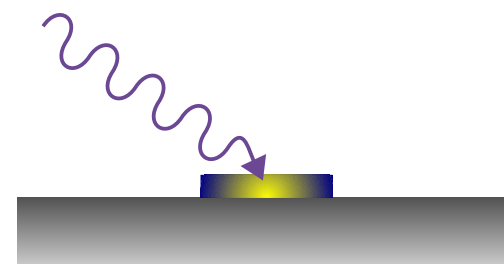
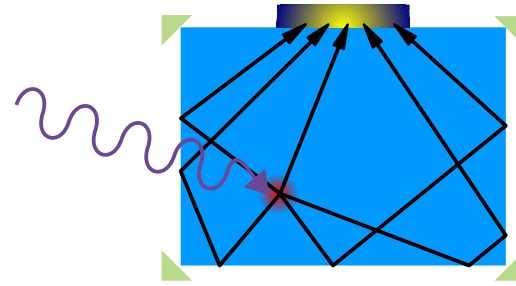
micro-calorimeter

$$E \rightarrow \Delta T \approx E/C \rightarrow \Delta X(T)$$

e.g:  $R=R(T)$ ,  $M=M(T)$

thermodynamic limit  $\sigma_E^2 \approx k_B T^2 C$

**out-of-equilibrium LTD**  
 athermal phonon sensors



kg



$\mu\text{g}$

**Cooper pair breaking** in S/C

$$E \rightarrow \Delta n_{qp} \approx E/\Delta \rightarrow \Delta X(n_{qp})$$

statistical limit  $\sigma_E^2 \approx FE\Delta/\eta$

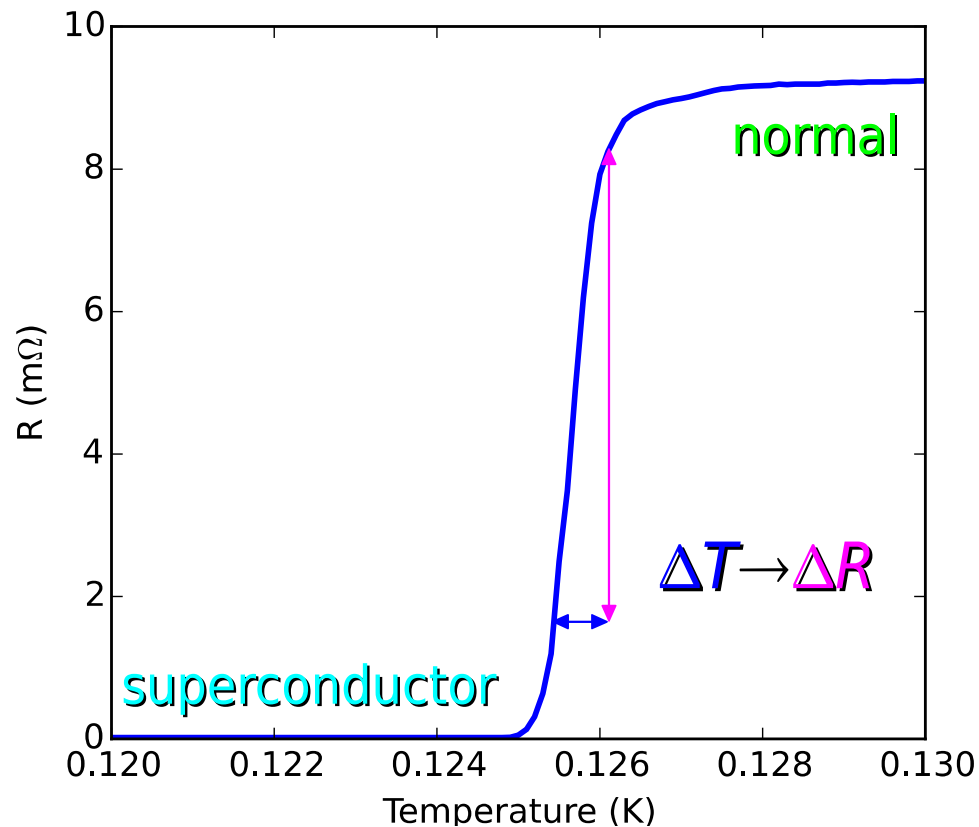
- high resolution  $\Delta E$  / low  $E_{thres}$
- fast  $\tau_{rise}$  ( $\rightarrow$  BW)
- multiplexability  $\rightarrow$  large number of channels
- material choice flexibility

## Low Temperature Detector (LTD) sensor technologies

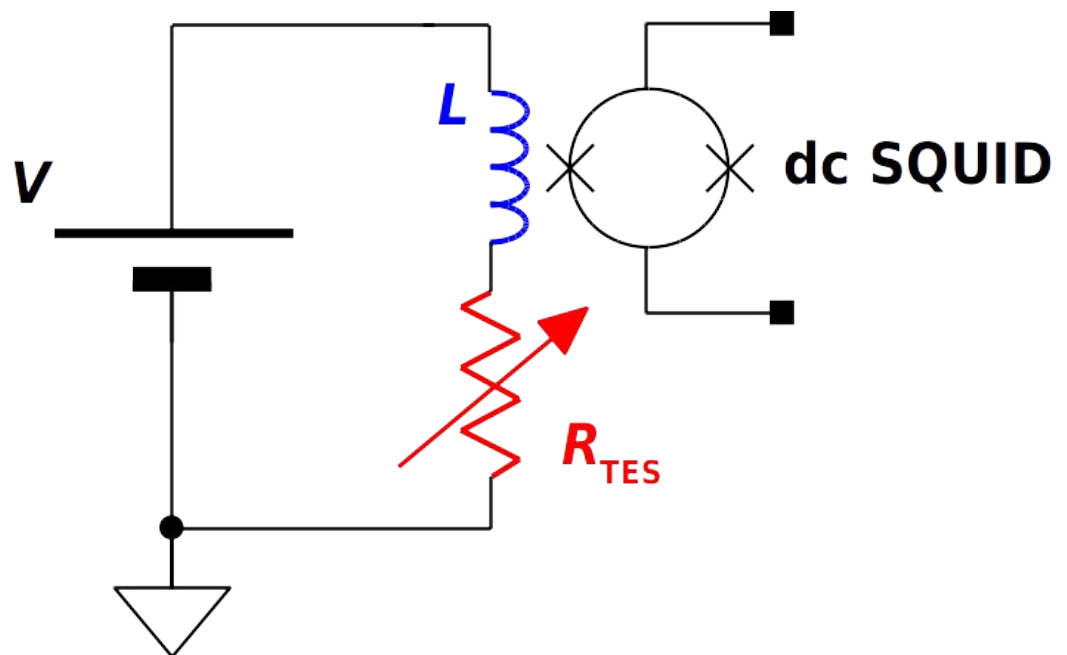
- Transition Edge Sensors (**TES**)
  - ▶ TES microcalorimeters
  - ▶ HOLMES TES
- Magnetic Metallic Calorimeters (**MMC**)
  - ▶ ECHo MMC
- Kinetic Inductance Detectors (**KID**)
  - ▶ KID for athermal phonon detection
  - ▶ CALDER KID
  - ▶ thermal KID
- KID microwave **multiplexing**
  - ▶ detector microwave multiplexing by upconversion

# Superconducting transition edge sensors (TES)

- superconductor thin films used inside the phase transition at  $T_c$ 
  - ▶ pure superconductors: Ir ( $T_c = 112$  mK), W ( $T_c = 15$  mK), ...
  - ▶ metal-superconductor bilayers  $\Rightarrow$  tunable  $T_c$  (20  $\div$  200 mK) : Mo/Cu, Ti/Au, Ir/Au, ...
- high sensitivity ( $A \approx 100$ )  $\Rightarrow$  high energy resolution
  - ▶ as **thermal sensors**  $\rightarrow \sigma_E^2 \approx \xi^2 k_B T^2 C$
  - ▶ also as **athermal sensors**
- high electron-phonon coupling  $\Rightarrow$  high intrinsic speed
- low impedance  $\Rightarrow$  SQUID read-out  $\Rightarrow$  multiplexing for large arrays

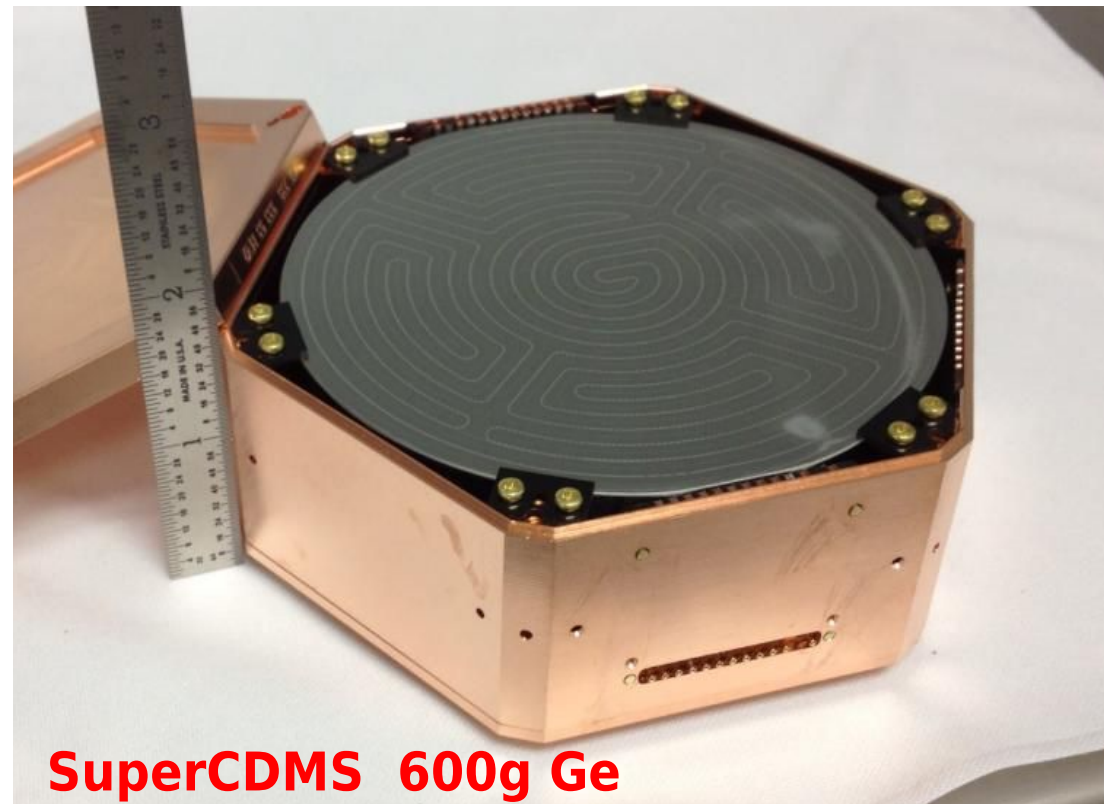
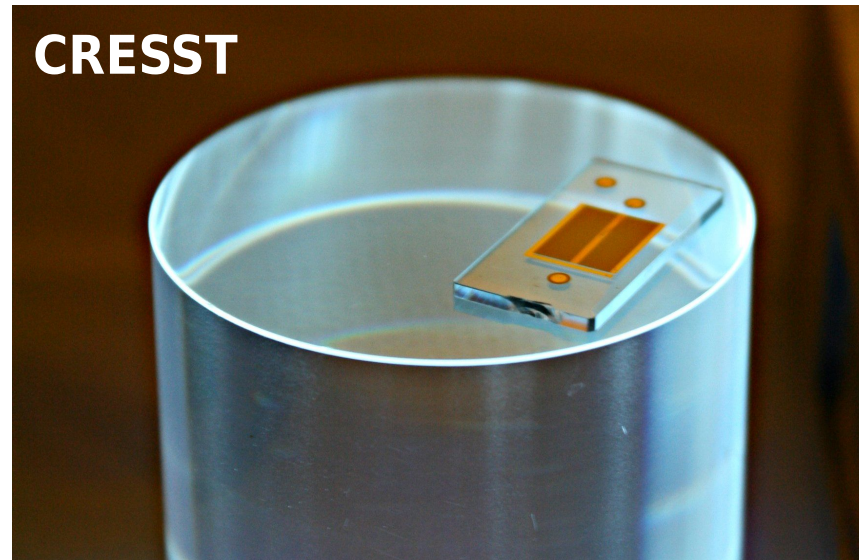
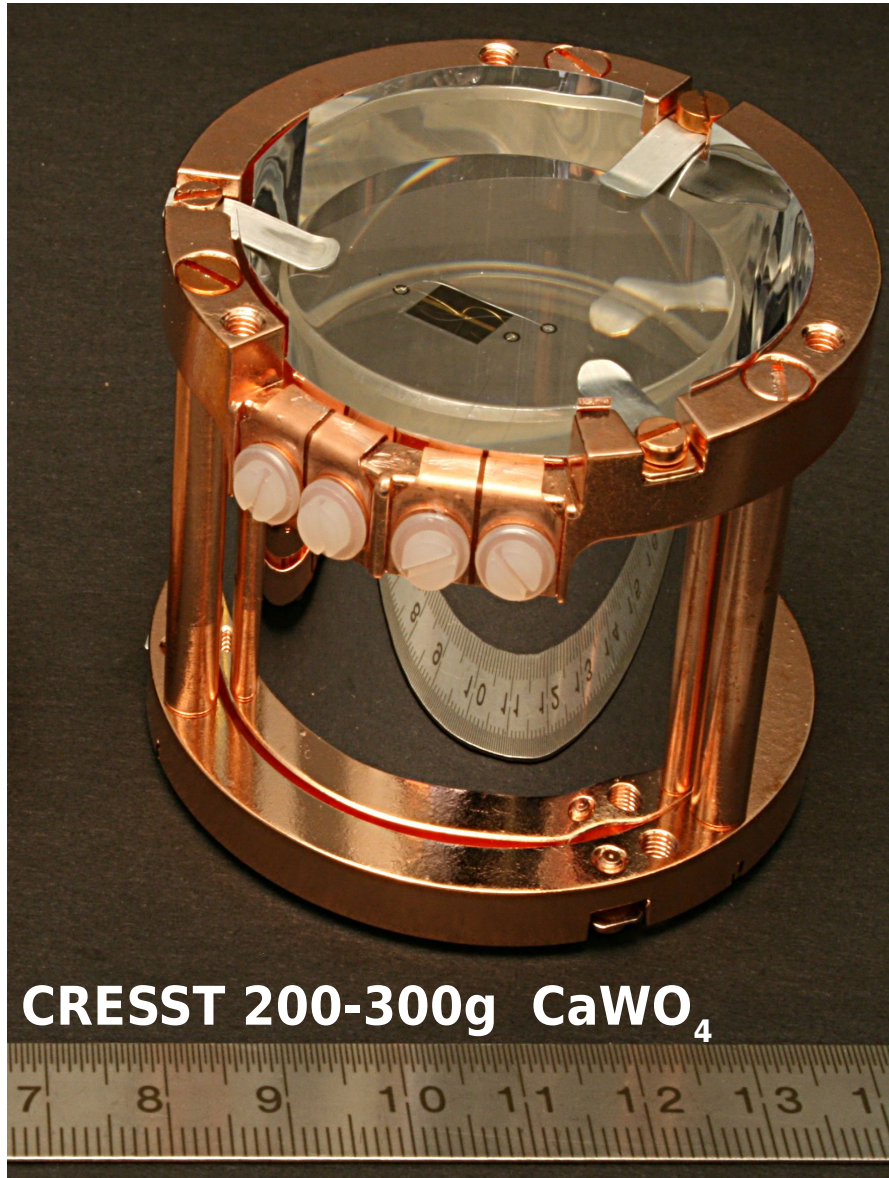


## TES read-out: constant voltage bias



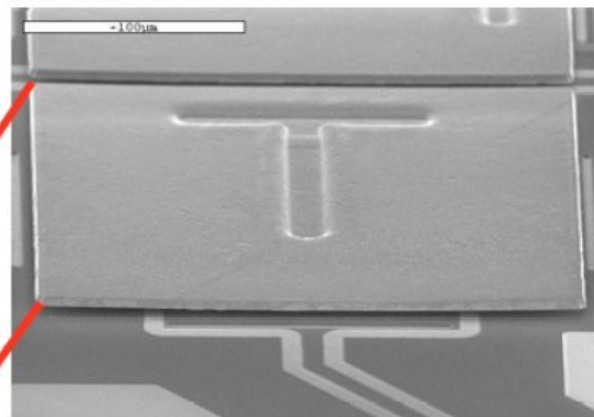
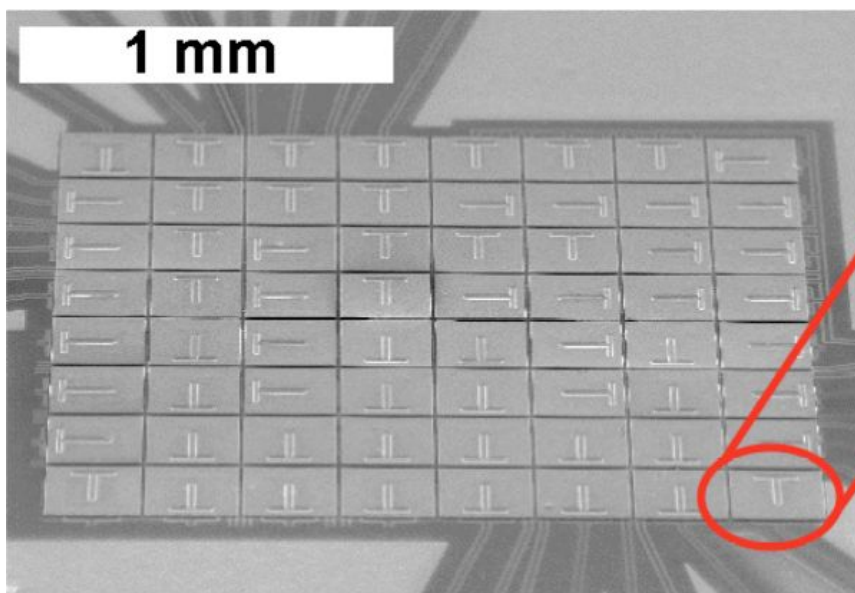
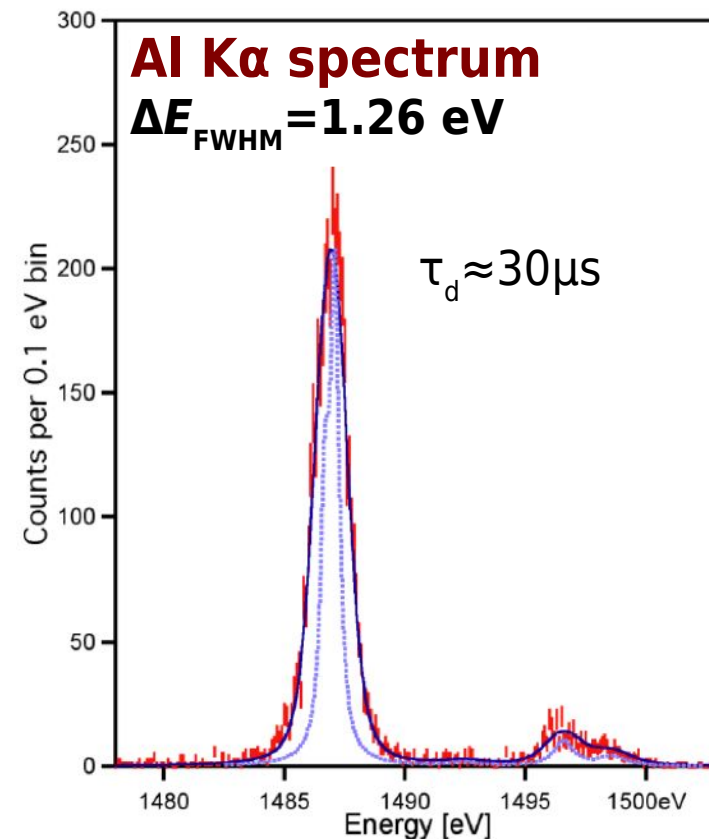
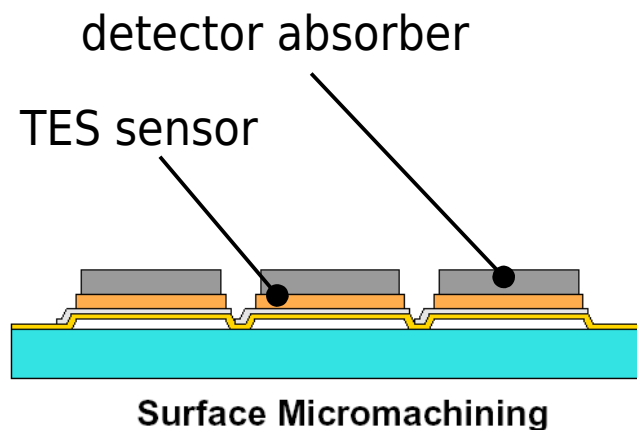
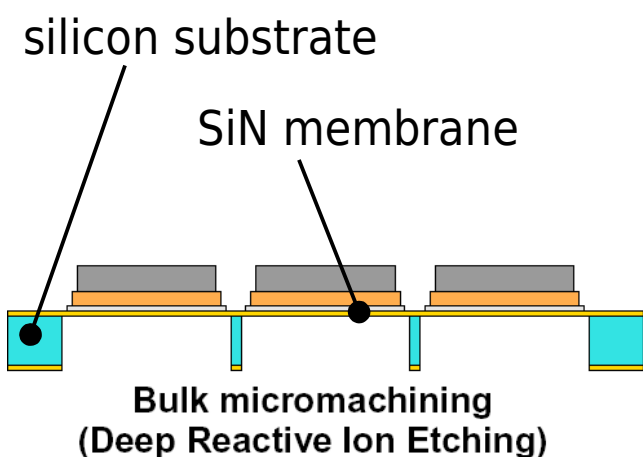
# TES for massive LTDs: direct Dark Matter searches

- thin film deposition
- photolithographic patterning



# TES microcalorimeters / 1

- detectors for  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , low  $E$   $\gamma$ , and X-ray science
  - astrophysics, material science, nuclear physics, ...



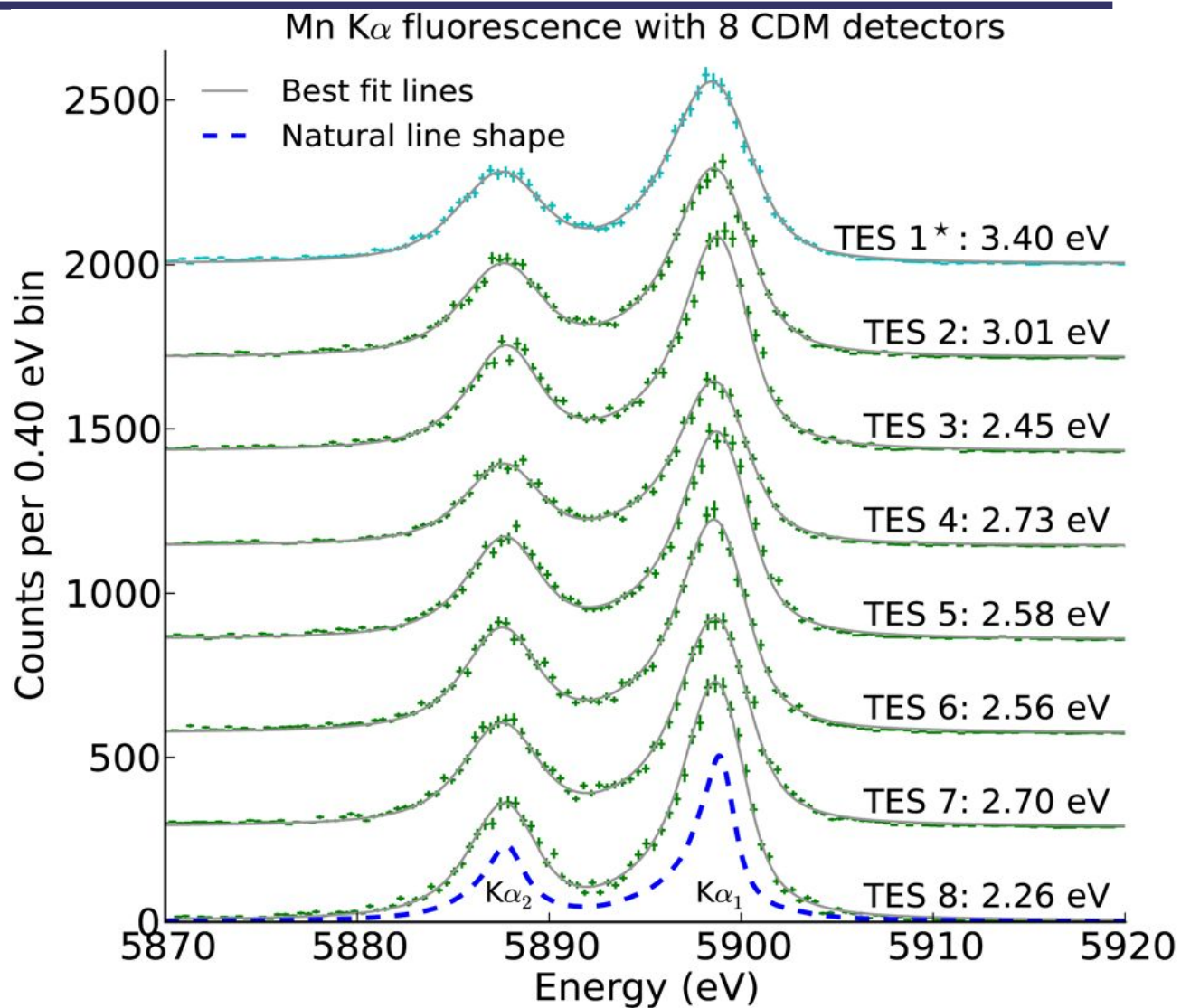
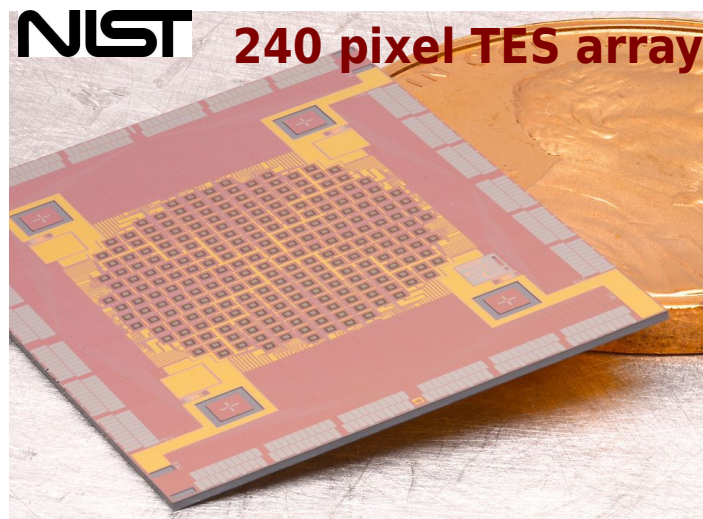
← 250  $\mu m$  →



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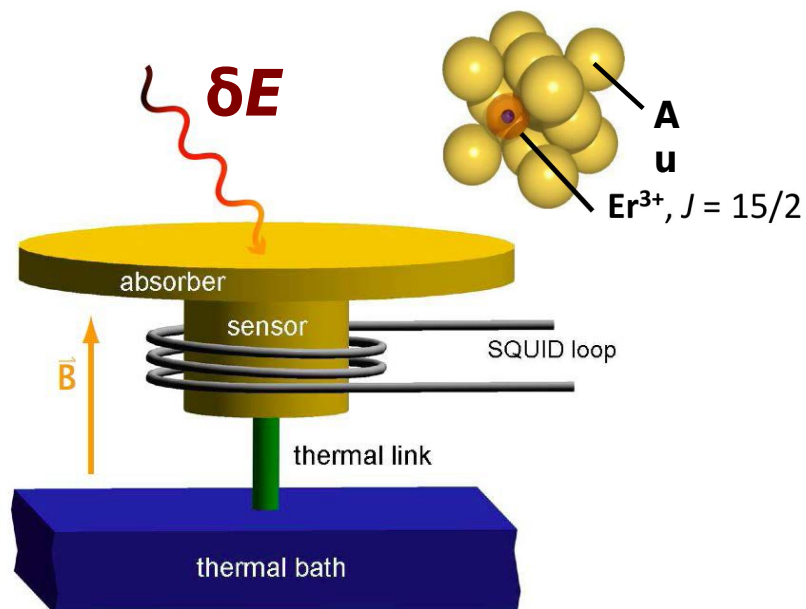
## X-ray spectroscopy

XES, EXAFS, XANES, RSXS ...  
time resolved X-ray spectroscopy

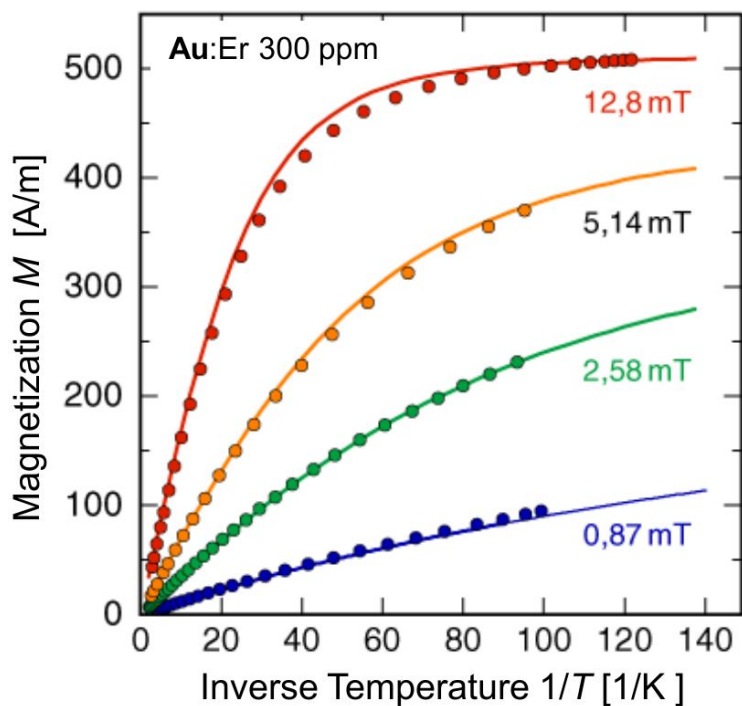


- 240 pixels, 23.4 mm<sup>2</sup> active area, 30% fill factor
- Code Division SQUID multiplexing
- $\Delta E \approx 2.5$  eV at 6 keV
- 80% Quantum Efficiency at 6 keV

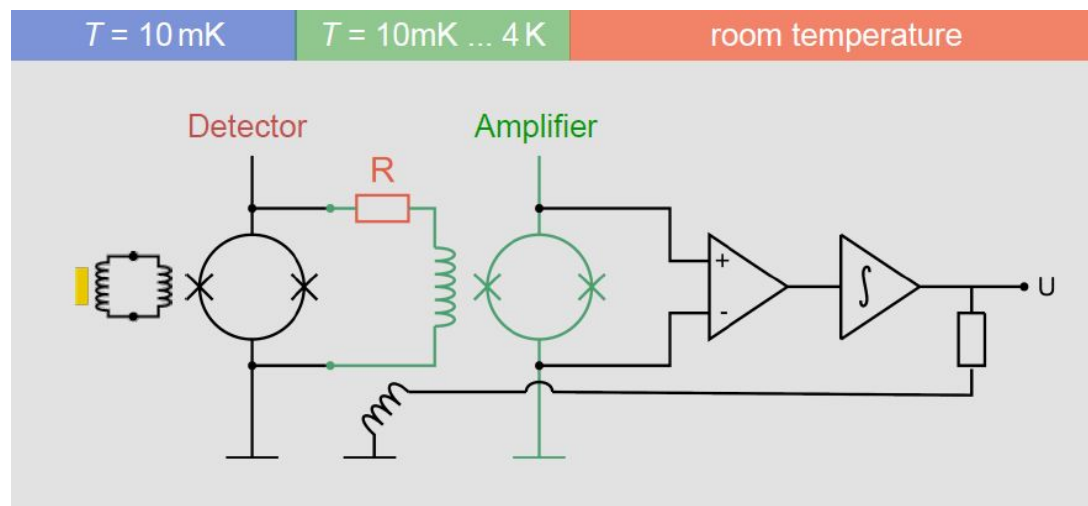
# Metallic Magnetic Calorimeters (MMC)



$$\delta E \rightarrow \delta M \rightarrow \delta \Phi$$

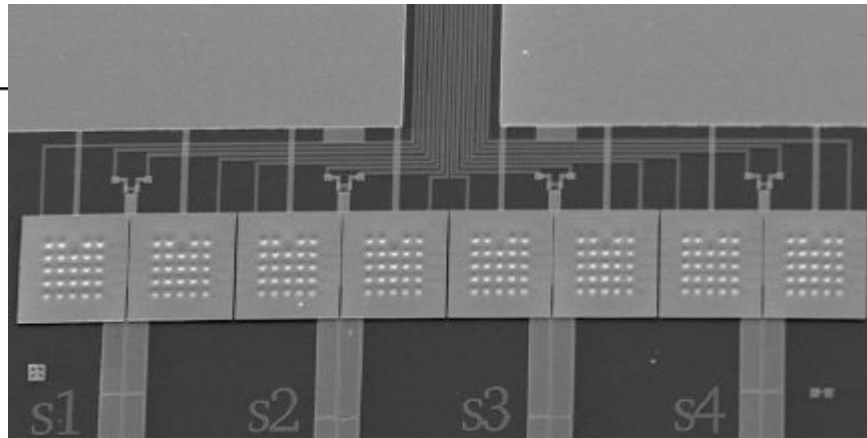
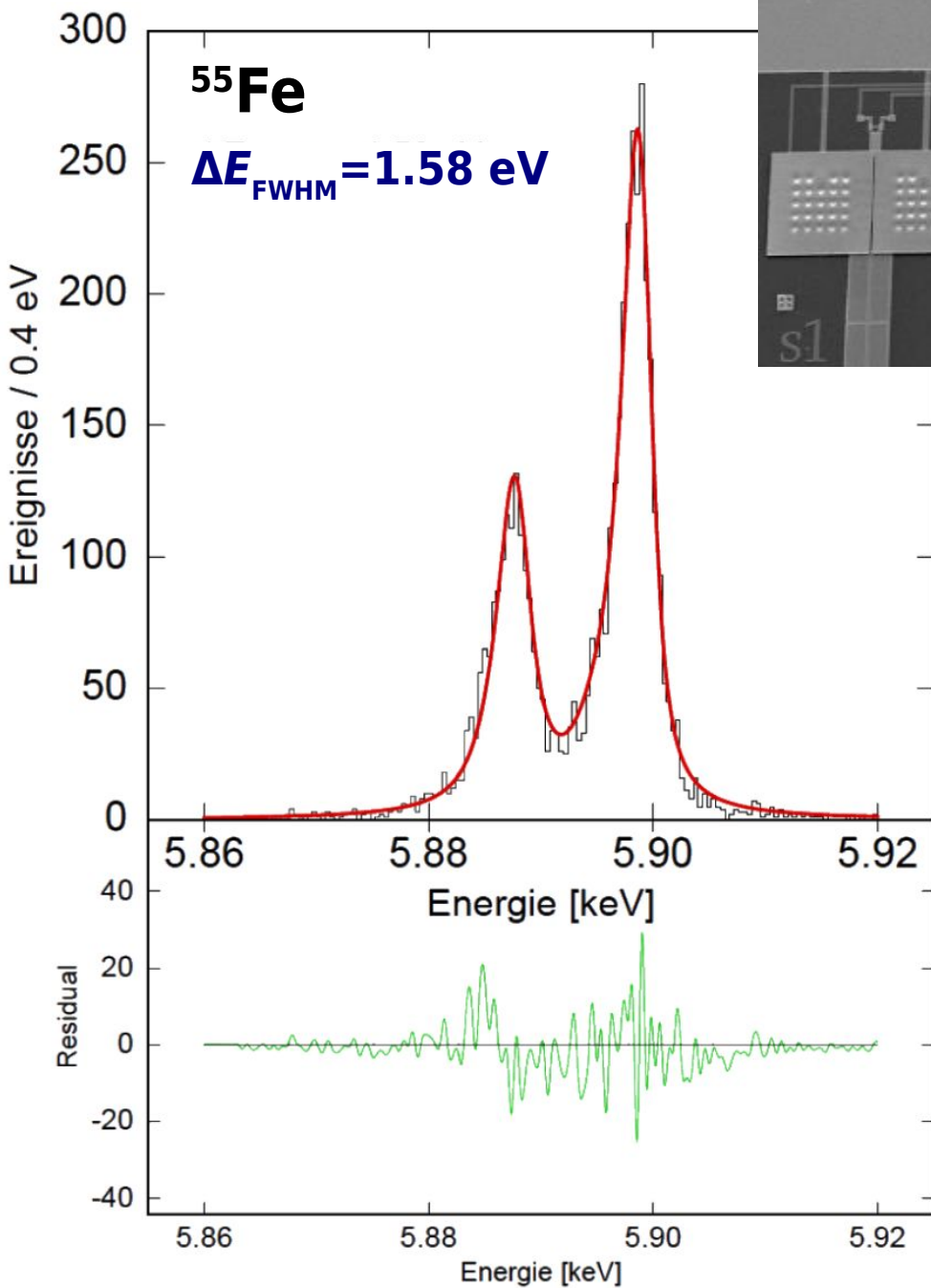


- paramagnetic temperature sensor
  - ▶ **Au:Er**, Ag:Er, PbTe:Er, Dy:W, W:Fe ...
- **dc-SQUID read-out**
  - ▶ high energy resolution with metallic absorbers
  - ▶ **fast rise time ( $\approx 100\text{ns}$ )**
- **high C**
  - ▶ **massive absorbers**
  - ▶ high linearity
- no power dissipation in the sensor
- multiplexing by frequency up-conversion





# MMC development at Heidelberg



# Electron capture end-point experiments

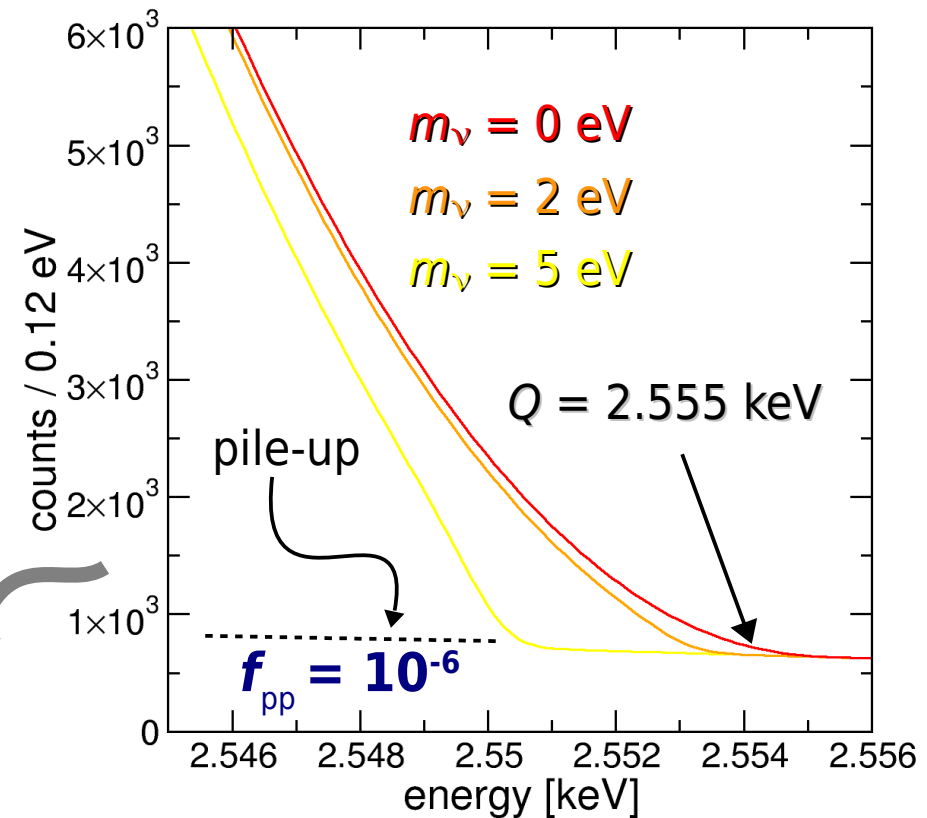
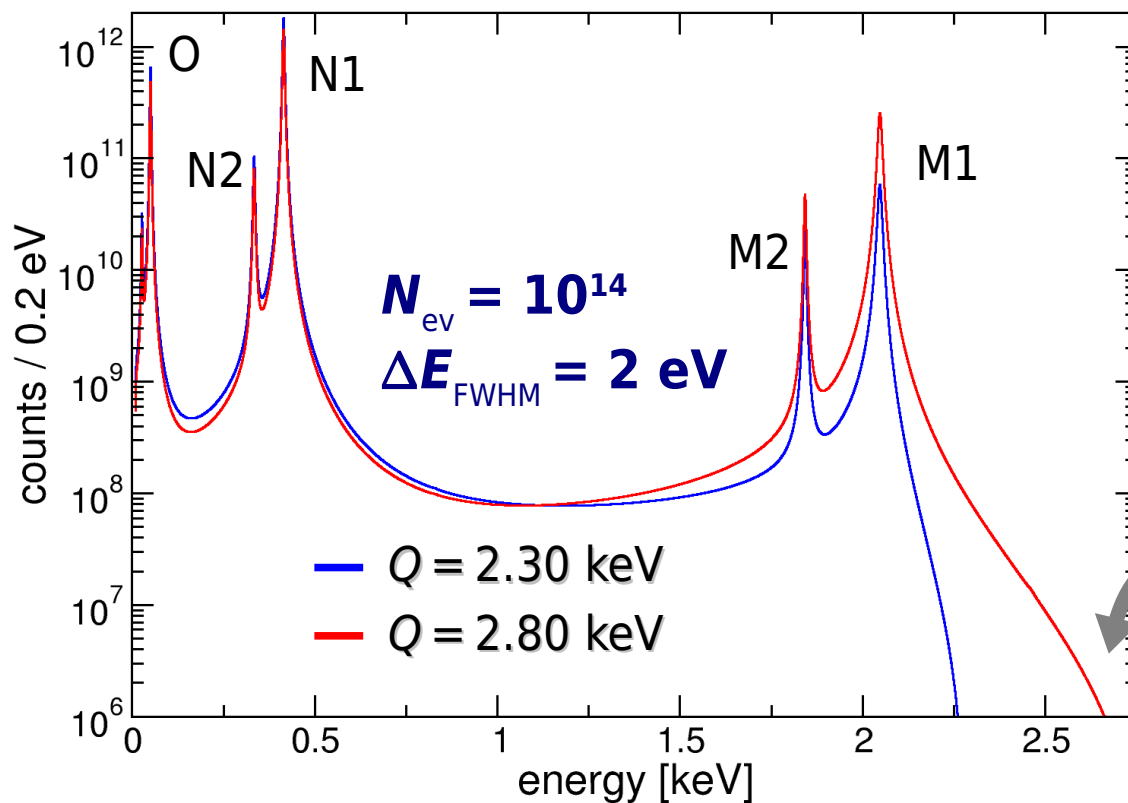


electron capture from shell  $\geq$  M1

A. De Rujula and M. Lusignoli, Phys. Lett. B 118 (1982) 429

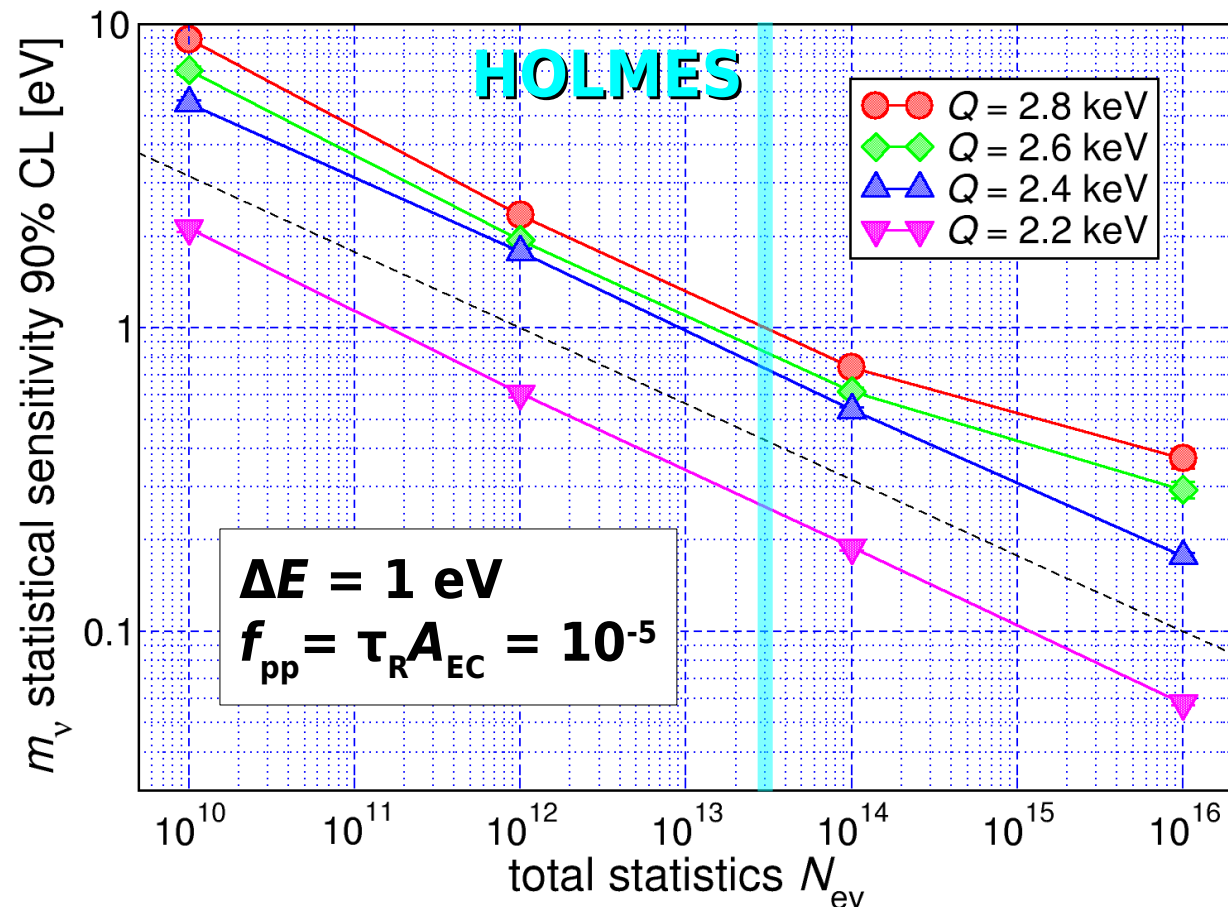
- calorimetric measurement of Dy atomic de-excitations (mostly non-radiative)
- rate at end-point and  $\nu$  mass sensitivity depend on  $Q$ 
  - ▶ Past measurements:  $Q = 2.3 \div 2.8$  keV. Recently measured  $Q = 2.83 \pm 0.04$  keV
- $\tau_{1/2} \approx 4570$  years  $\rightarrow$  few active nuclei are needed

$$\frac{d\lambda_{EC}}{dE_c} = \frac{G_\beta^2}{4\pi^2} (Q - E_c) \sqrt{(Q - E_c)^2 - m_\nu^2} \times \sum_i n_i C_i \beta_i^2 B_i \frac{\Gamma_i}{2\pi} \frac{1}{(E_c - E_i)^2 + \Gamma_i^2/4}$$



# $m_\nu$ statistical sensitivity: Montecarlo simulations

- $2 \times 10^{11}$   $^{163}\text{Ho}$  nuclei  $\rightarrow$  1 decay/s
- $^{163}\text{Ho}$  production: p.e. neutron irradiation of  $^{162}\text{Er}$  enriched Er
- embed  $^{163}\text{Ho}$  in thermal detectors for low energy X-rays spectroscopy

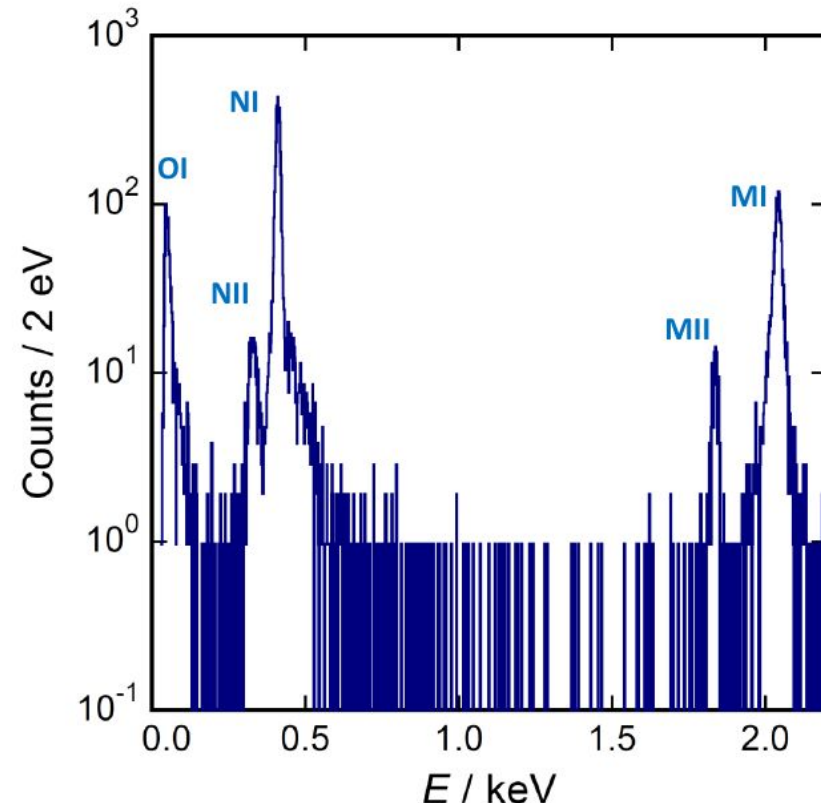
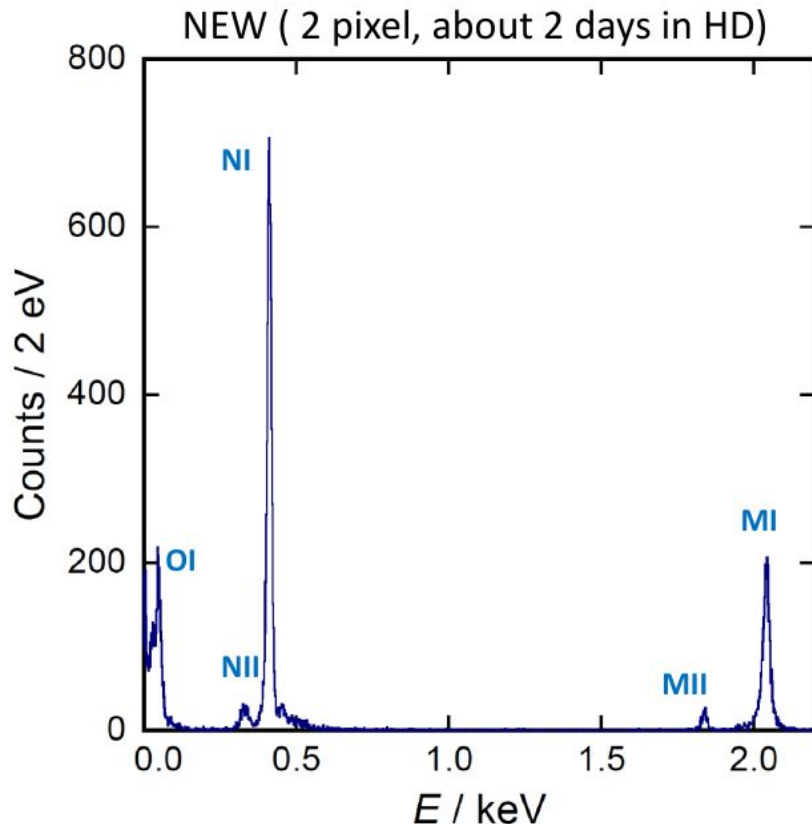
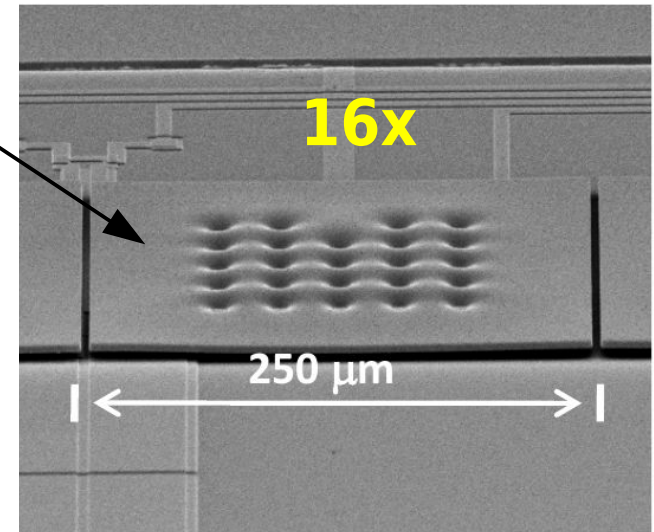


- ▶ high energy resolution  $\approx 1\text{eV}$
- ▶ fast response  $\approx 1\mu\text{s}$
- ▶ large multiplexable array  $\approx 1000$

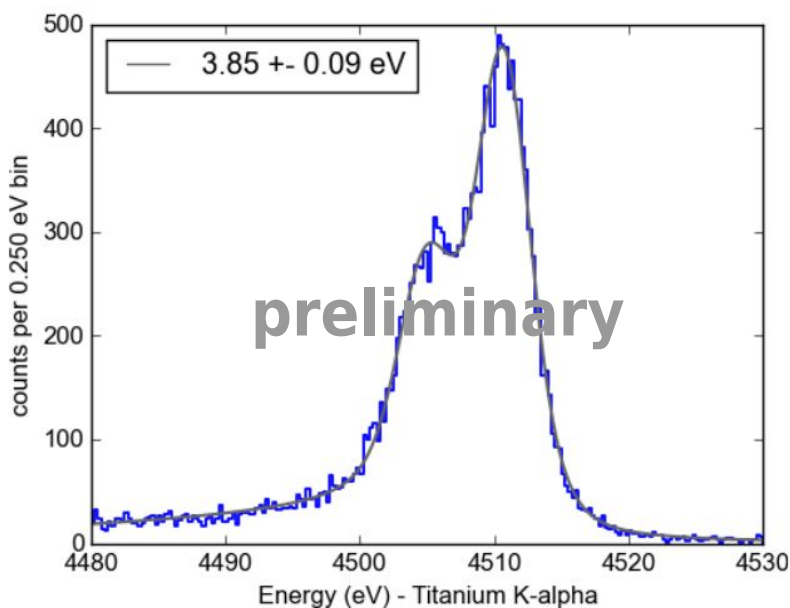
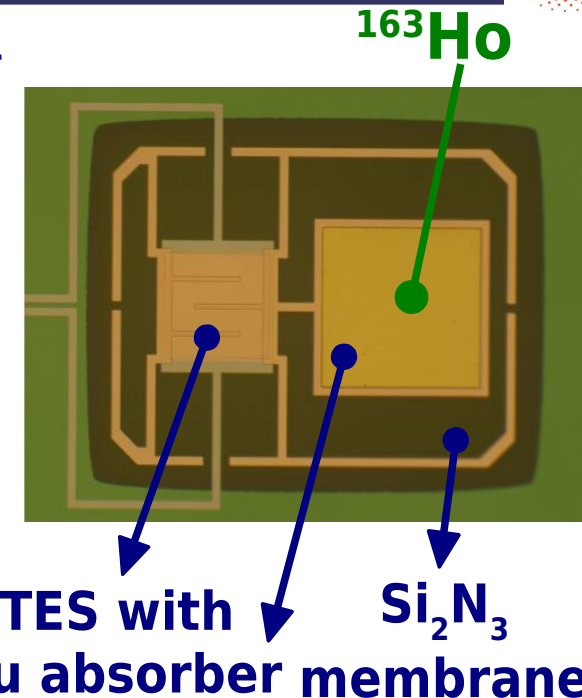
$$\propto \sqrt[4]{1/N_{ev}}$$

# ECHo MMC microcalorimeters

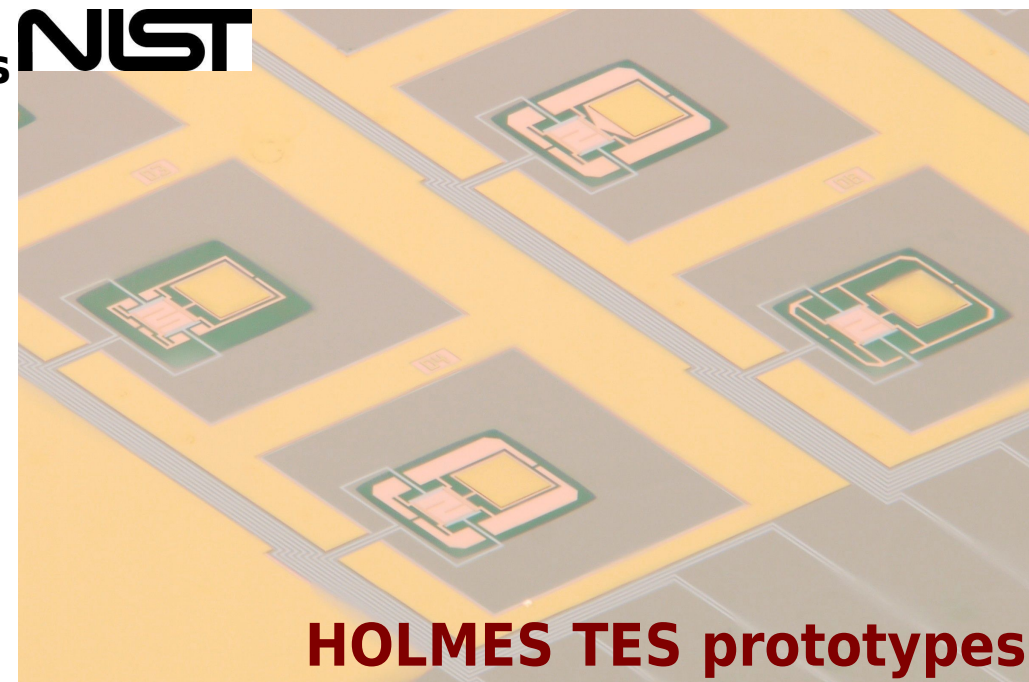
- 16x **MMC** with sandwiched **Au** absorber
- chemically purified  $^{163}\text{Ho}$
- offline  $^{163}\text{Ho}$  implantation at ISOLDE (CERN)
- $A(^{163}\text{Ho}) = 0.1 \text{ Bq/pixel}$
- $\Delta E \approx 5 \text{ eV}$
- $\tau_{\text{rise}} \approx 130 \text{ ns}$
- **ECHo-1k**: 100 pixels,  $A(^{163}\text{Ho}) = 10 \text{ Bq/pixel}$



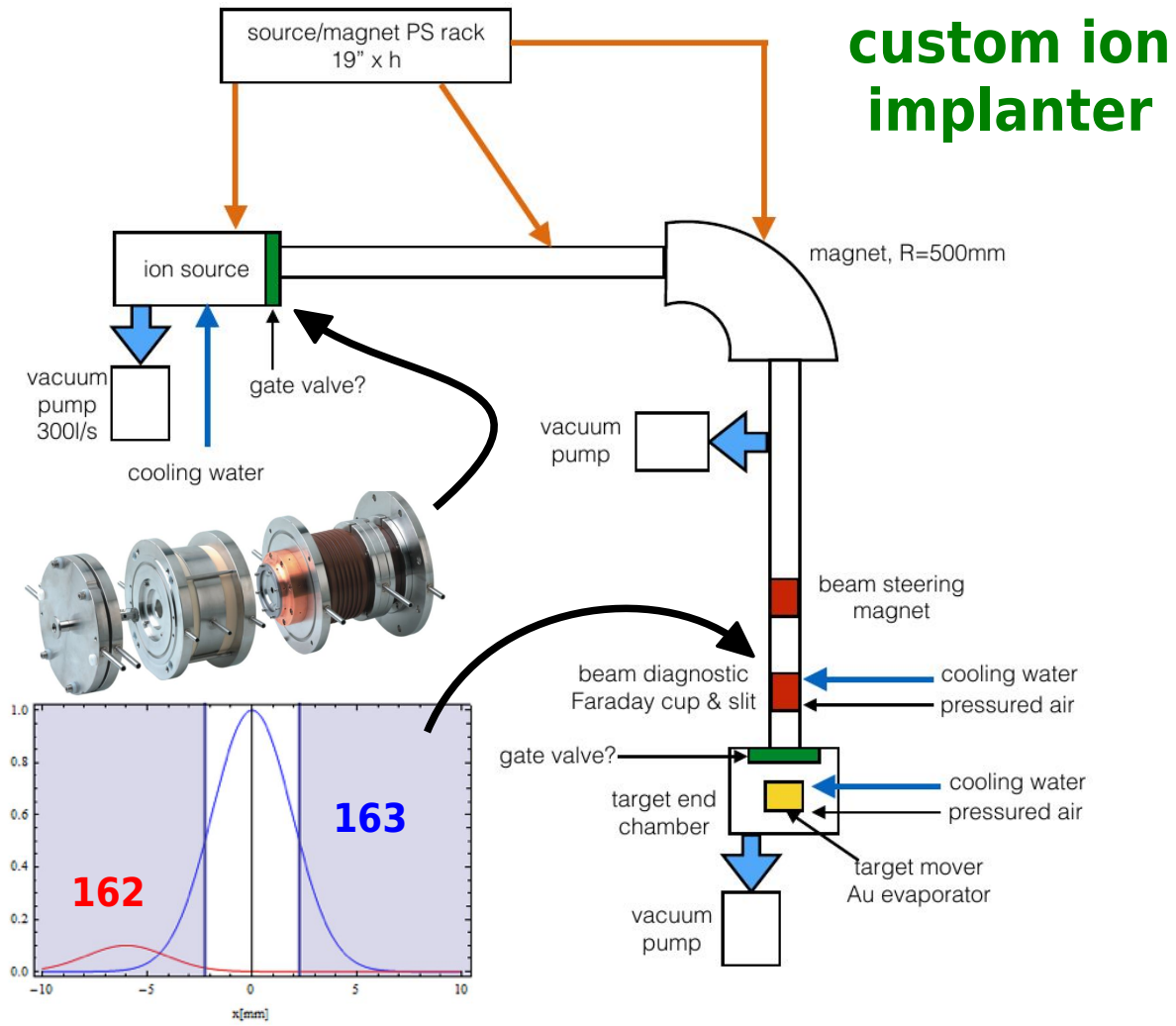
- Transition Edge Sensors (TES) with Au (or Bi) absorber
  - ▷ **2  $\mu\text{m}$  Au** total thickness for *full* electron and X absorption
- MoCu proximity TES  $\rightarrow T_c \approx 100\text{mK}$
- on  $\text{Si}_2\text{N}_3$  membrane
- optimize design for speed and resolution
  - ▷ **specs @2.5keV :**
    - $\Delta E_{\text{FWHM}} \approx 1\text{eV}$
    - $\tau_{\text{rise}} \lesssim 5\mu\text{s}$ ,  $\tau_{\text{decay}} \approx 100\mu\text{s}$
- from preliminary X-ray measurements:
  - ▷  $\Delta E_{\text{FWHM}} \approx 3\text{eV}$ ,  $\tau_{\text{rise}} \approx 5\mu\text{s}$ ,  $\tau_{\text{decay}} \approx 150\mu\text{s}$



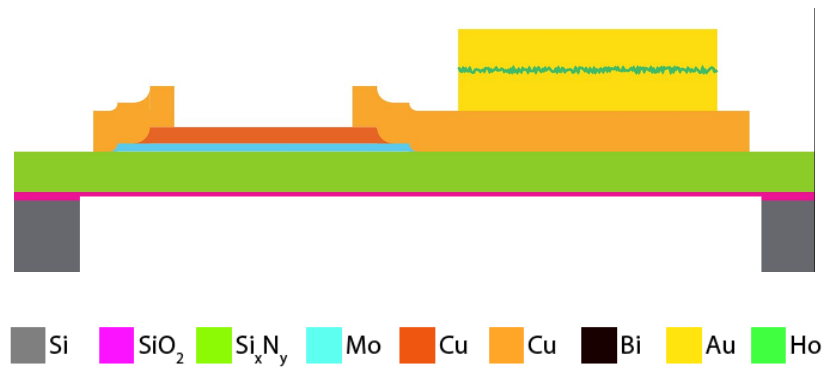
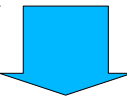
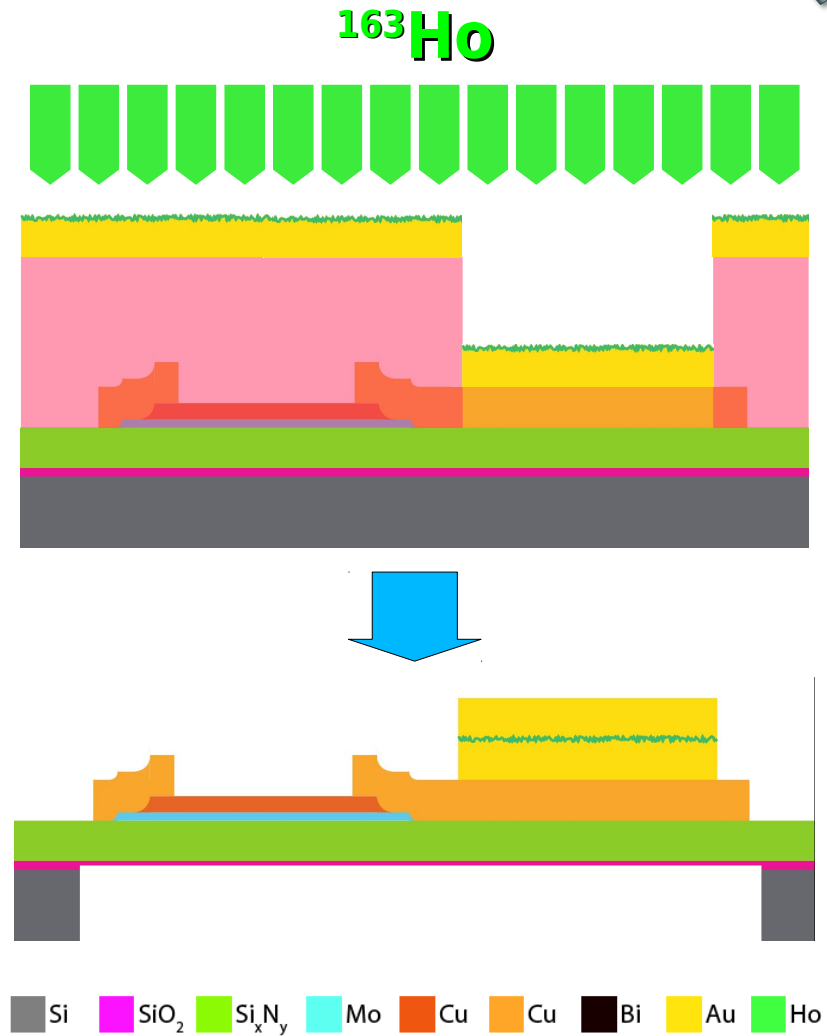
NLST



# HOLMES detector array fabrication



custom ion implanter



32+32



- 2  $\mu\text{m}$  thick **Au** encapsulating implanted  $^{163}\text{Ho}$
- TES fabricated at NIST, Boulder, CO, USA
- $^{163}\text{Ho}$  implantation at INFN Genova
- **HOLMES**: 1000 pixels,  $A(^{163}\text{Ho}) = 300 \text{ Bq/pixel}$

# ***KID: an alternative to TES?***

## **Development of microresonator detectors for neutrino physics**

2011 - 2015 @ UniMiB



fondazione  
c a r i p l o

***athermal*  
microresonators**

***thermal-mode*  
microresonators**

direct neutrino mass  
measurement with  
 $^{163}\text{Ho}$  electron capture (0-3 keV)

sensors for neutrinoless  
double beta decay  
searches (0-5 MeV)

large area single  
photon detection?

# KID principles: athermal mode

first developed as radiometers for mm astronomy

$$E = h\nu > 2\Delta (\approx \text{meV})$$

## pair breaking detector



- Cooper pair breaking
- quasi-particle creation ( $N_{qp} \approx \eta h\nu / \Delta$ )
- increase qp density  $n_{qp}$
- change in complex surface impedance  $Z_s = R_s + i\omega L_s$

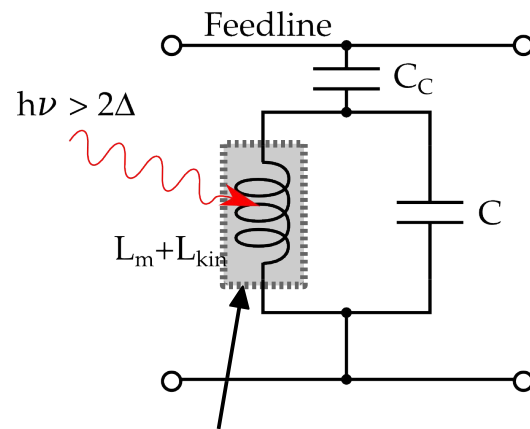
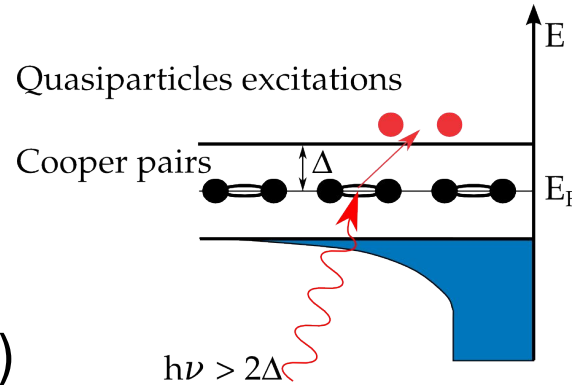


$$\frac{\delta f}{f_0} = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\delta L_s}{L_s} \quad \delta Q^{-1} = \alpha \frac{\delta R_s}{\omega L_s}$$

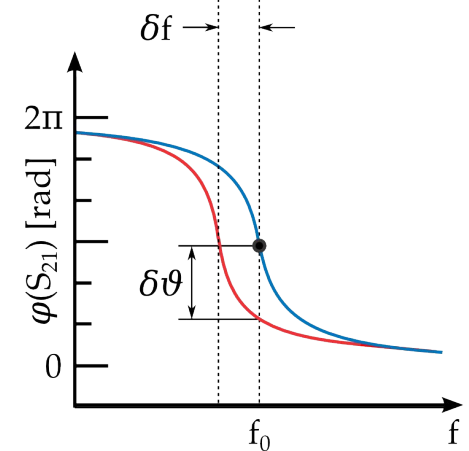
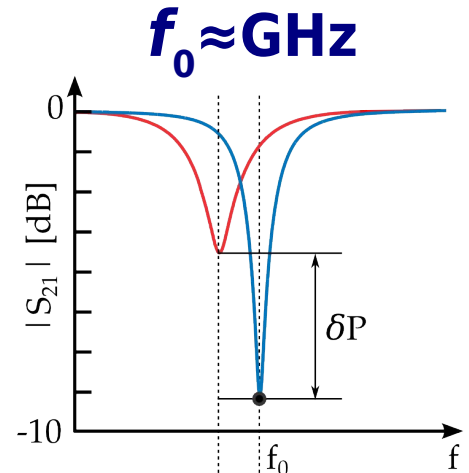
$\alpha$  surface inductance  $L_s$  fraction in circuit inductance



relaxation time: qp recombination  $\tau_{qp}$



detector



P. Day et al., Nature, 425 (2003) 817

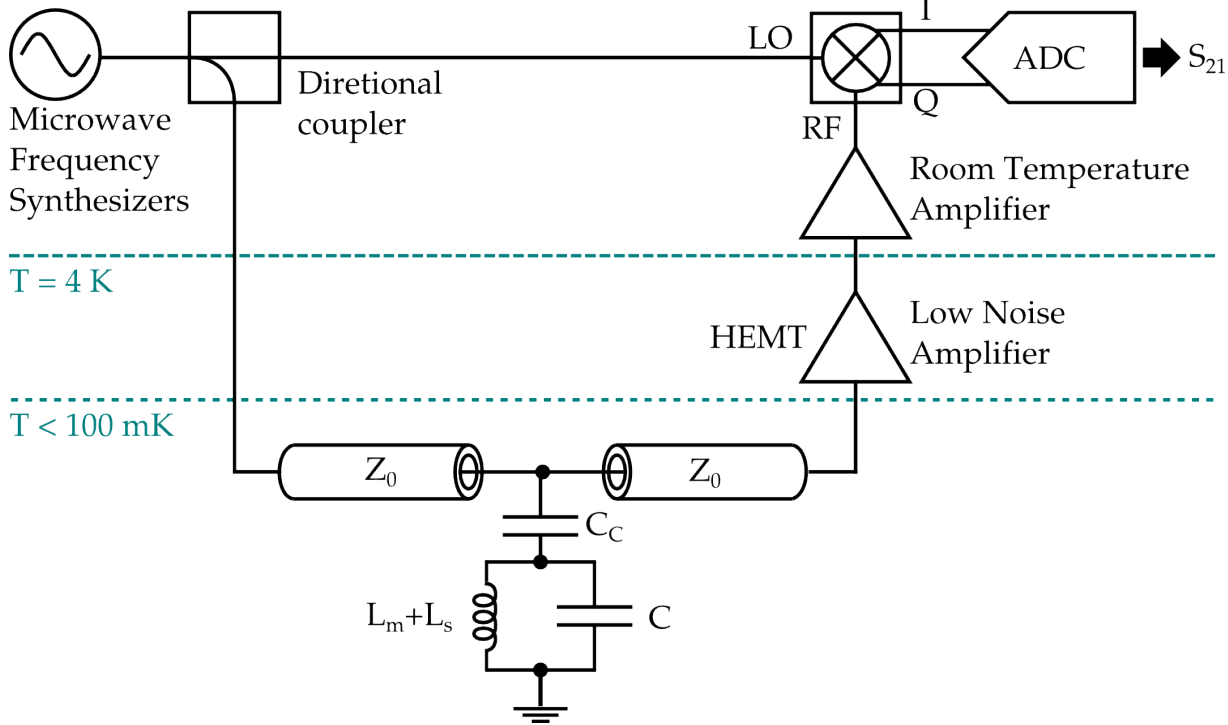
resolution limited by  
qp statistics  $\sigma_E^2 \approx FE\Delta/\eta$

(order of 1eV for  $E = 6 \text{ keV}$ )



# KID homodyne read-out

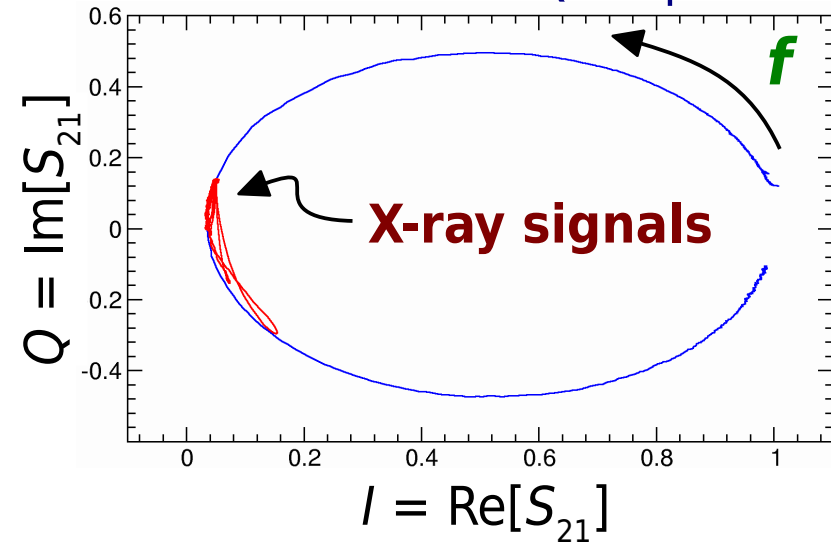
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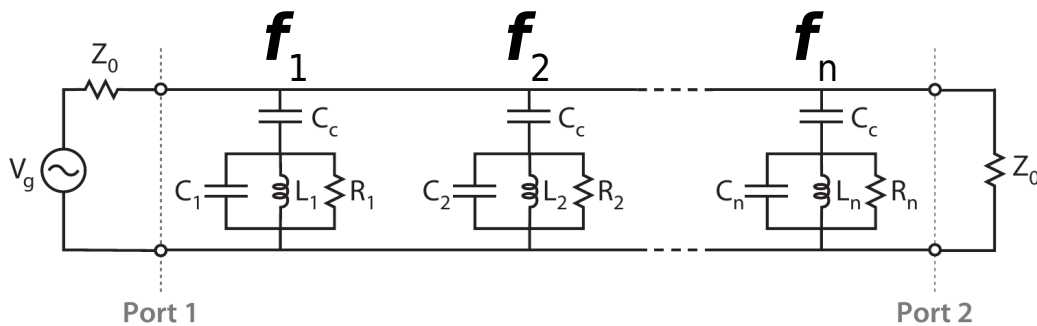
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T < 100 mK

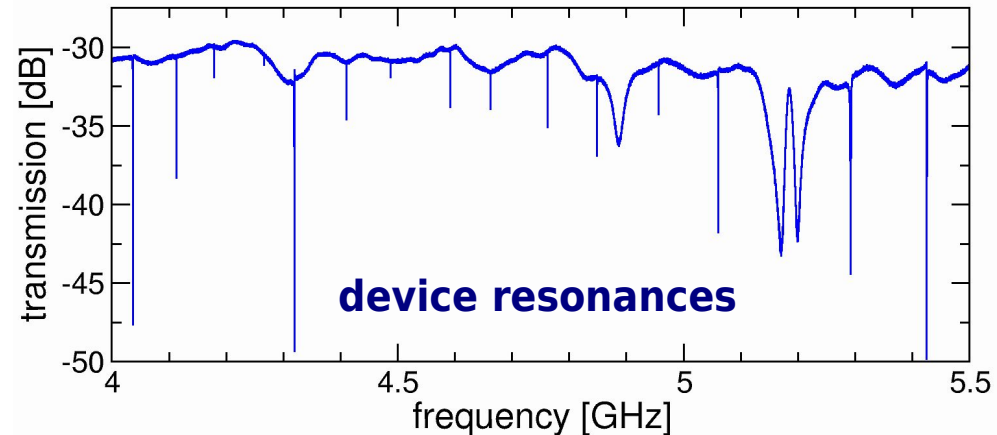
resonance IQ loop



## microwave frequency multiplexing



device  $i$  is read out tuning the RF carrier to  $f_i$



# Advanced materials for KIDs at FBK

- **sub-stoichiometric TiN<sub>x</sub>**

- ▶ tunable  $T_c$  (0 → 4.5K) by adjusting  $x < 1$  → longer  $\tau_{qp}$  for lower  $T_c$
- ▶ low losses → high  $Q_i$  devices
- ▶ no surface oxide → low excess (TLS) noise
- ▶ high surface inductance fraction  $\alpha$  → large signals
- ▶ hard to produce in a controlled way

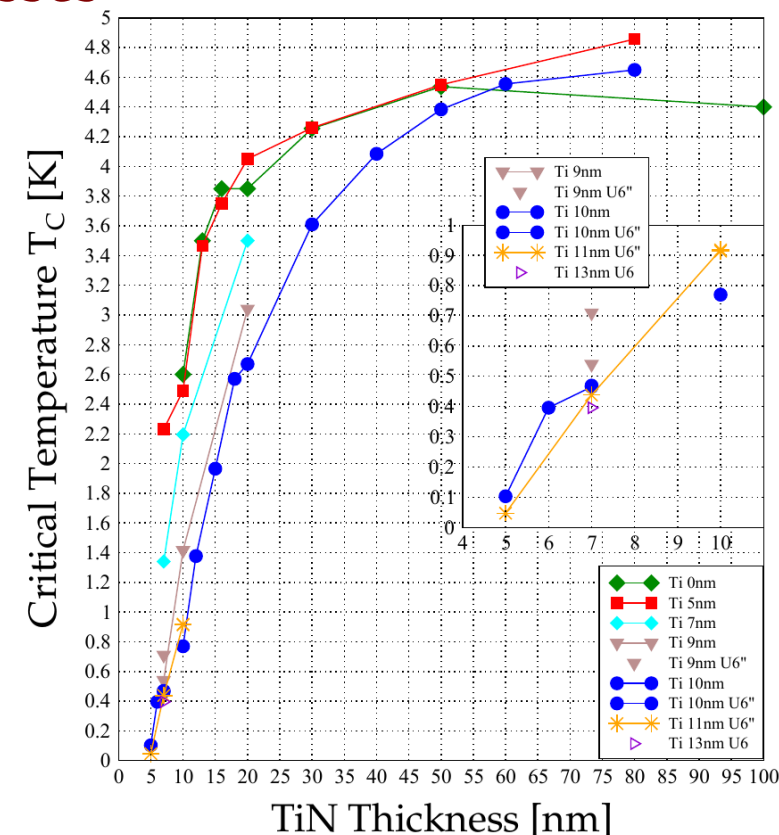
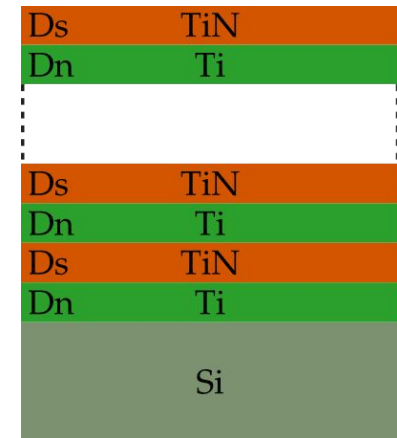
- **Ti/TiN sputtered multilayer (stoichiometric TiN)**

- **proximity effect** →  $T_c$  tuned by Ti and/or TiN thicknesses

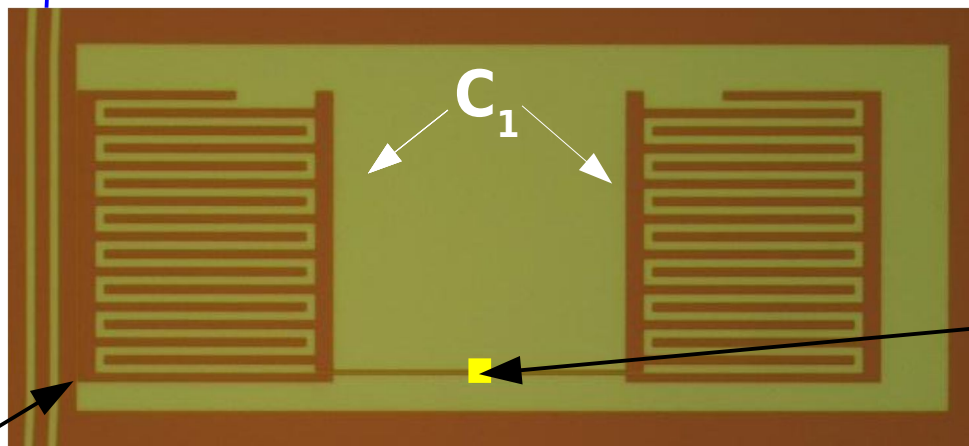
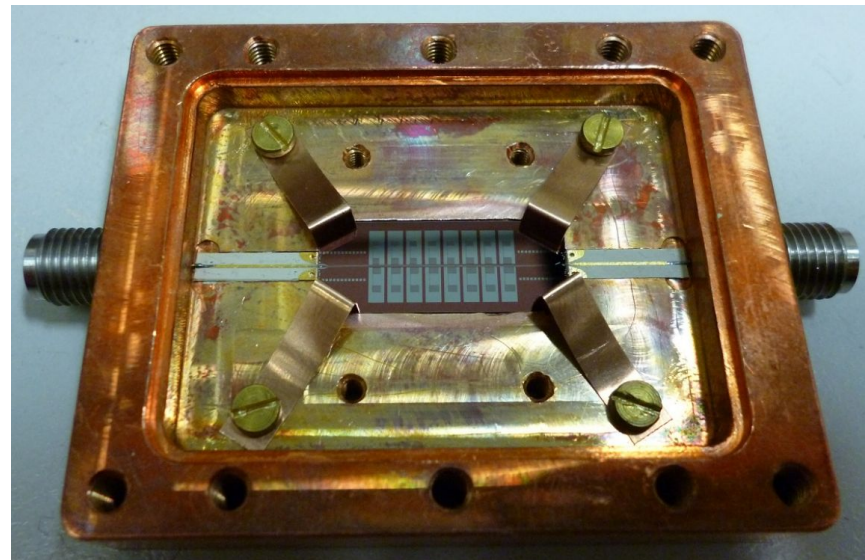
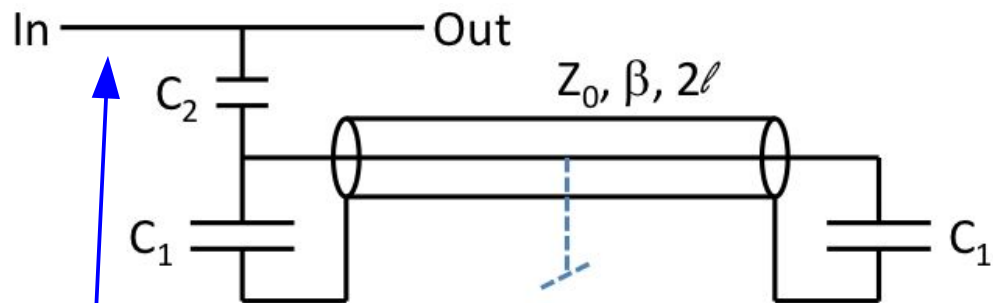
- ▶ good  $T_c$  control: tuning range **0.5 → 4.5K**
- ▶ **high  $Q_i$**  and **high  $\alpha = L_s / L_{tot}$**
- ▶ good reproducibility and uniformity
- ▶ **equivalent to sub-stoichiometric TiN<sub>x</sub>**

A. Giachero et al. J. Low Temp. Phys. 176 (2014) 155

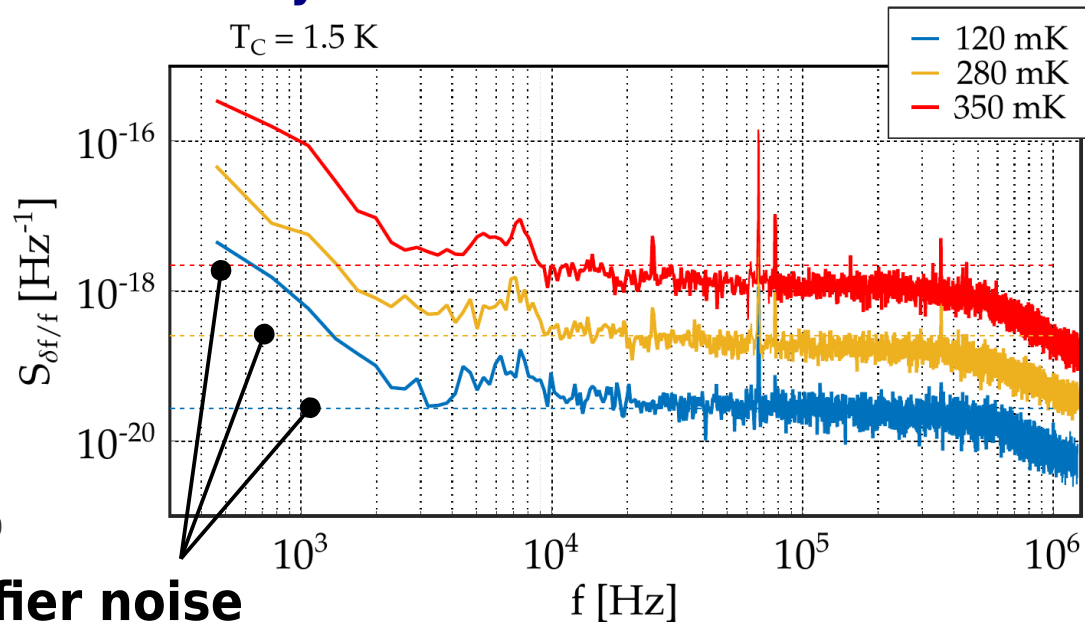
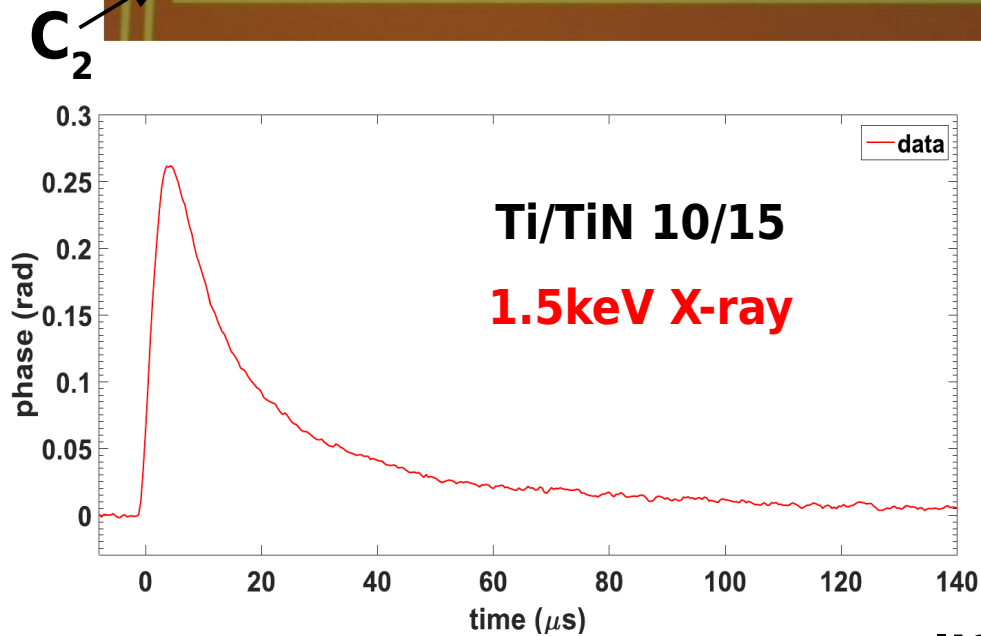
$T_c$ [K]	$\Delta$ [meV]	$\alpha$	$L_s$ [pH/sq]	$Q_i$
1.5	$0.200 \pm 0.004$	$0.26 \pm 0.01$	13.1	$< 10^5$
0.640	$0.091 \pm 0.001$	$0.95 \pm 0.01$	36.9	$< 10^4$



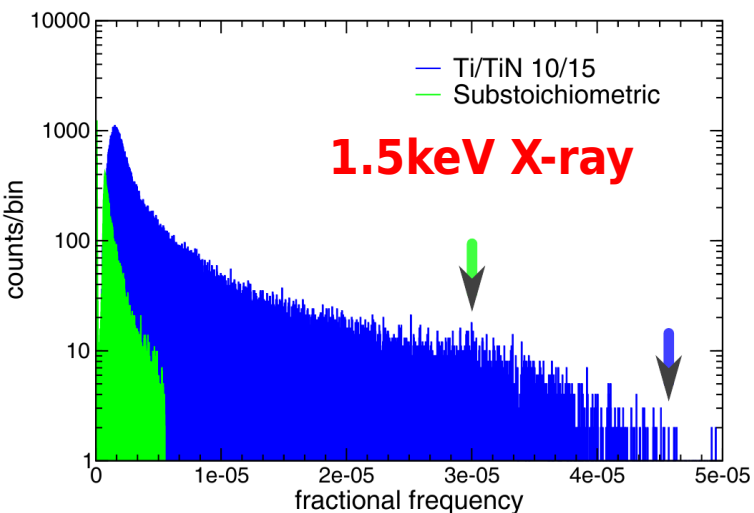
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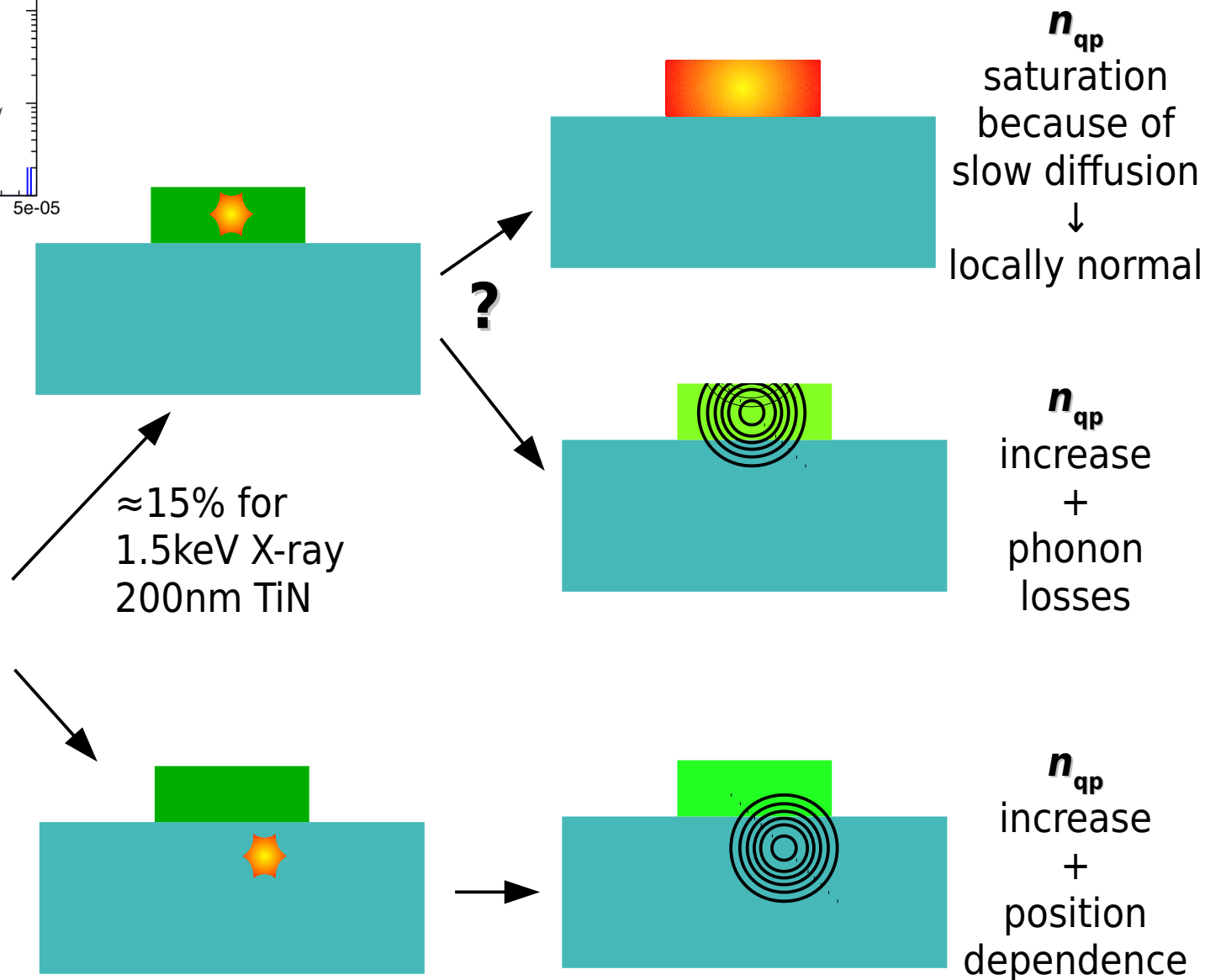
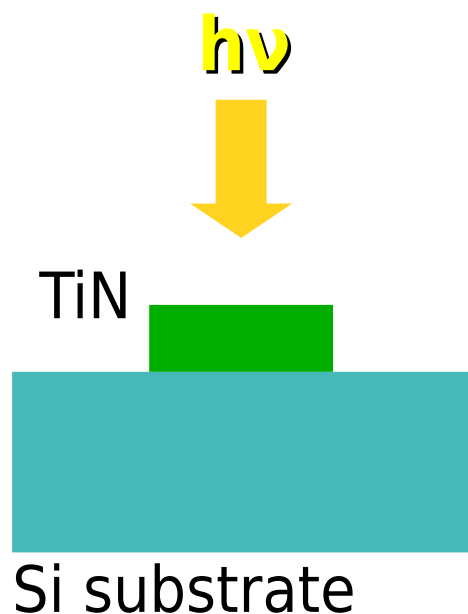
**<sup>163</sup>Ho implant**  
 not yet implemented...  
 → X-rays irradiation



# Microresonator X-ray response

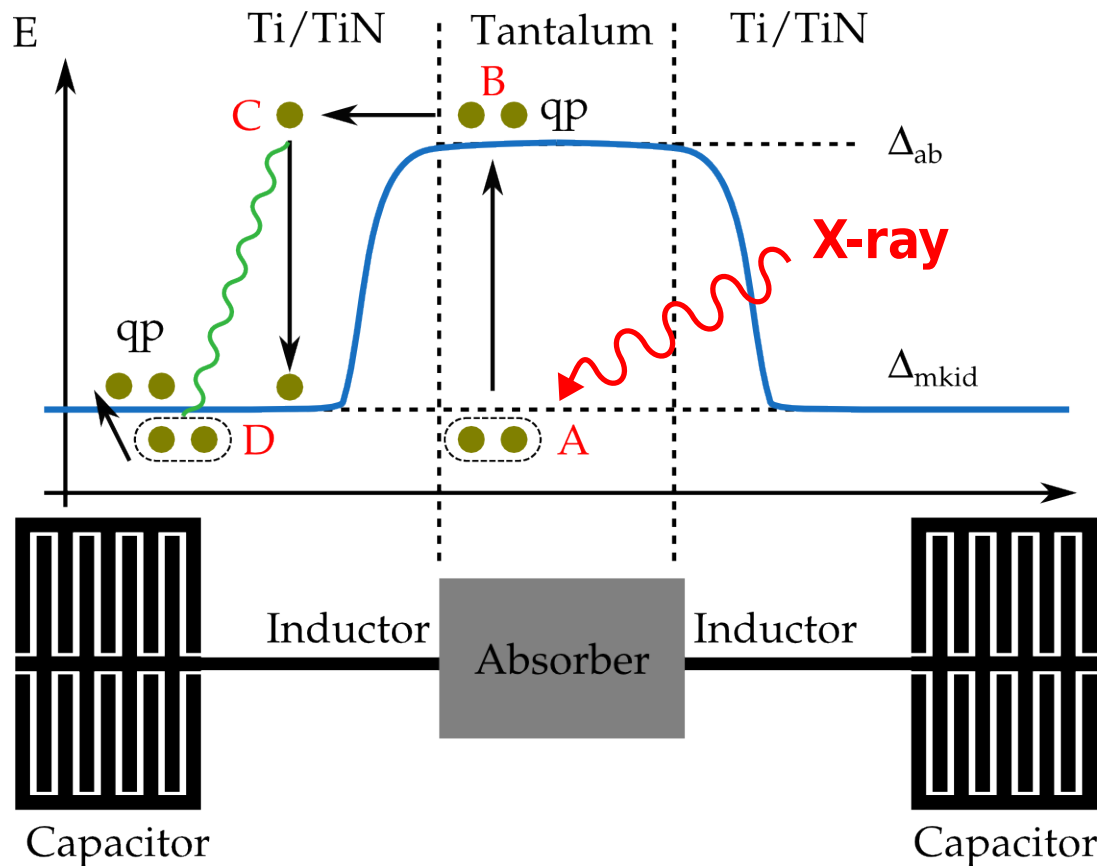


large ( $>1000$ ) S/N but **no resolving power!**  
HEMT noise dominated S/N

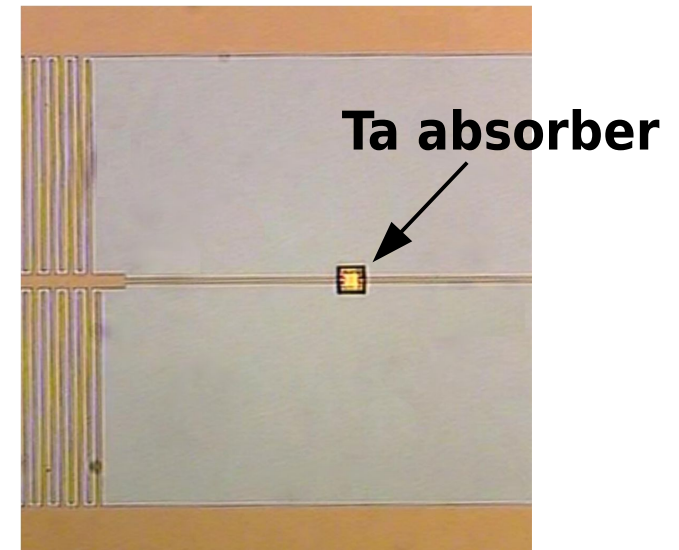


# Microresonator detector improvements

- fast **qp diffusion** in Tantalum  $\rightarrow$  no saturation
- **qp trapping** in TiN/Ti:  $\Delta(\text{Ta}) > \Delta(\text{TiN/Ti})$
- Tantalum: high  $Z \rightarrow$  **high stopping power**
- Tantalum thickness: 200 / 500 nm

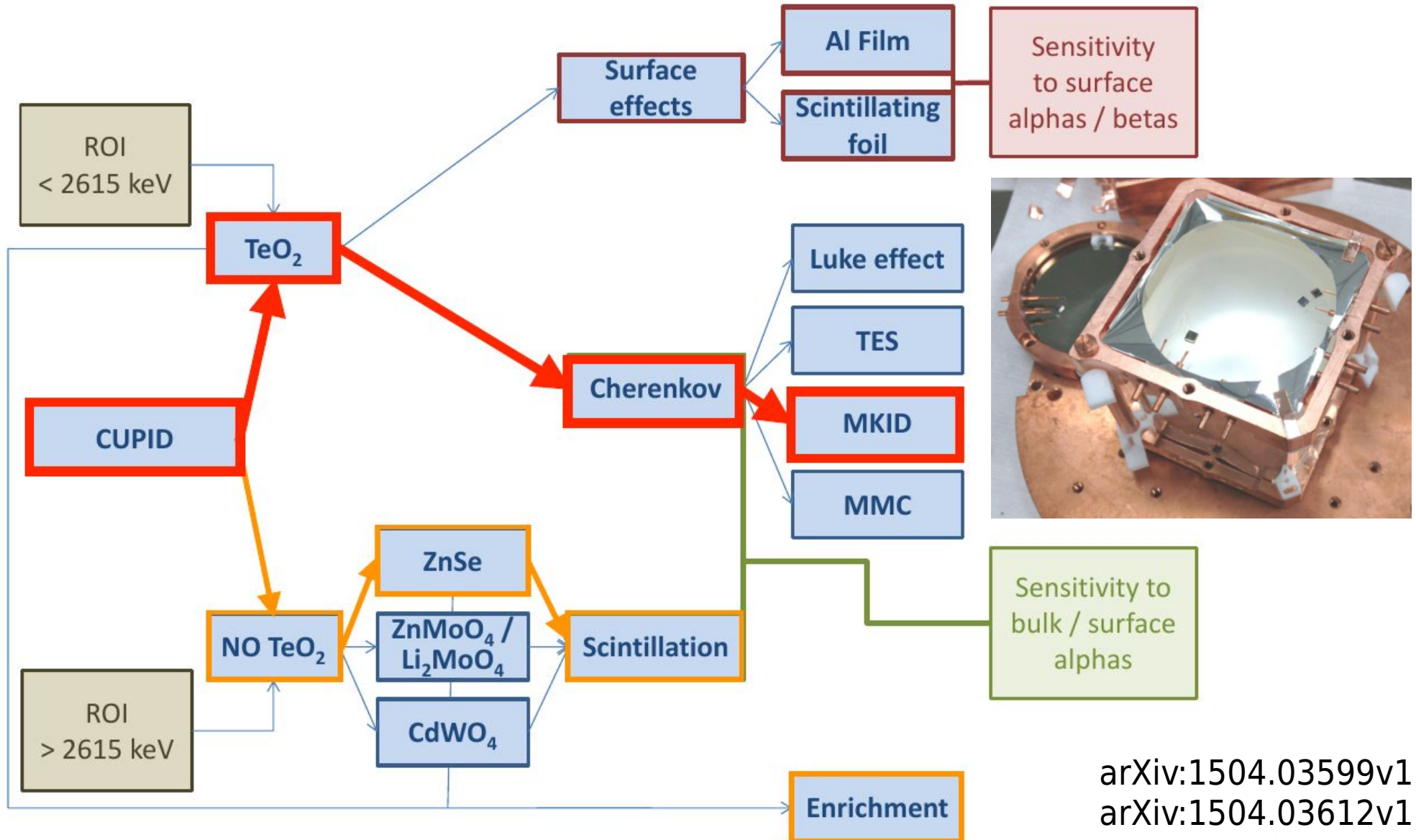


first prototype



# Beyond CUORE: CUPID

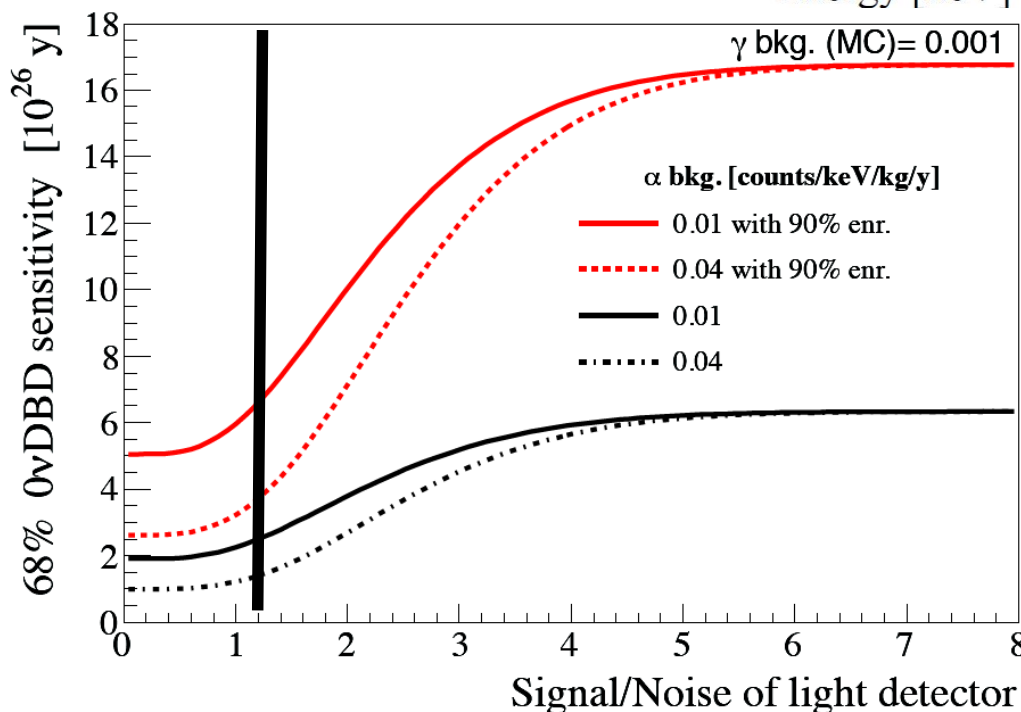
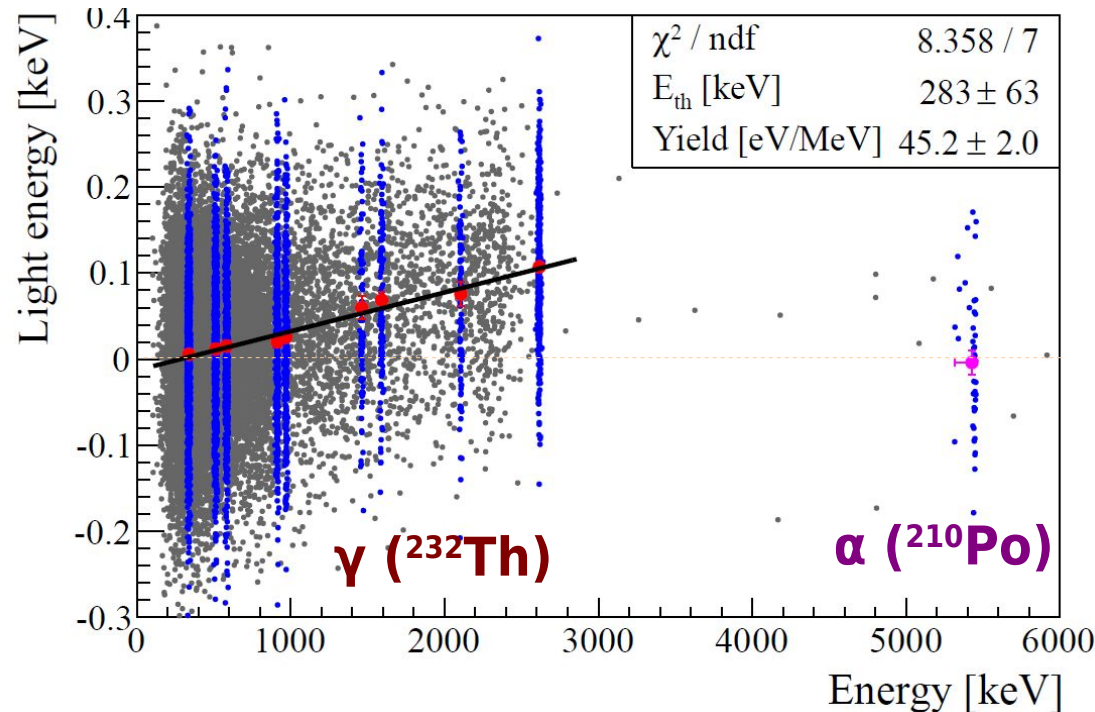
- Excluding **Inverted Hierarchy** → improve **CUORE** sensitivity by 5÷10
- CUORE upgrade with Particle ID (**CUPID**) → **reduce bkg from alphas**
  - ▷  **$\alpha/\gamma$  discrimination with Cherenkov** (T.Tabarelli de Fatis, EPJC65 (2010) 359)



arXiv:1504.03599v1

arXiv:1504.03612v1

# CUPID: TeO<sub>2</sub> with Cherenkov



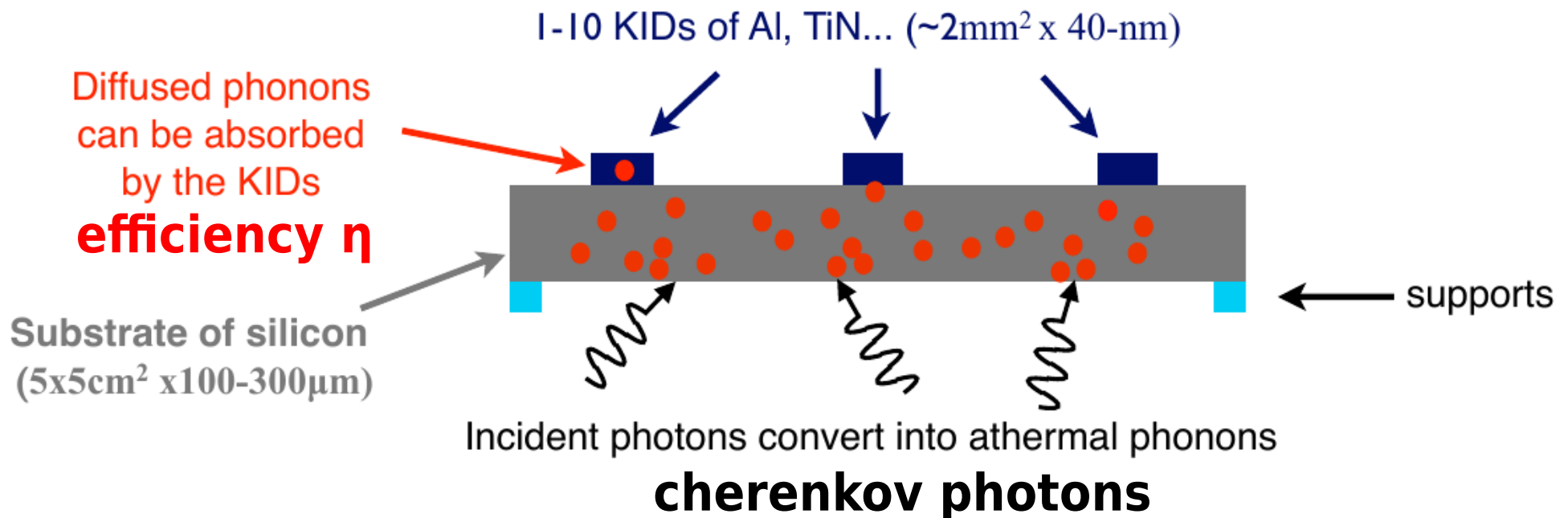
## TeO<sub>2</sub> 770g (CUORE size)

- **Detected light not sufficient for event by event discrimination**
  - LY  $\approx$  45 eV/MeV
  - $\approx$  100 eV for  $\beta/\gamma$  @  $Q_{\beta\beta}$  (S/N  $\approx$  1.2)
- **10 times less than expected**
- **Montecarlo simulation**
  - Cherenkov light is self absorbed
  - more sensitive light detectors
- **5 year sensitivity to <sup>130</sup>Te  $\beta\beta$ -0 $\nu$** 
  - CUORE + Cherenkov detection
  - with/without enrichment
  - **$\gamma$  bkg ( $10^{-3}$  c/keV/kg/y) dominates for S/N  $\geq$  5**

N. Casali et al., EPJ C75 (2015) 12  
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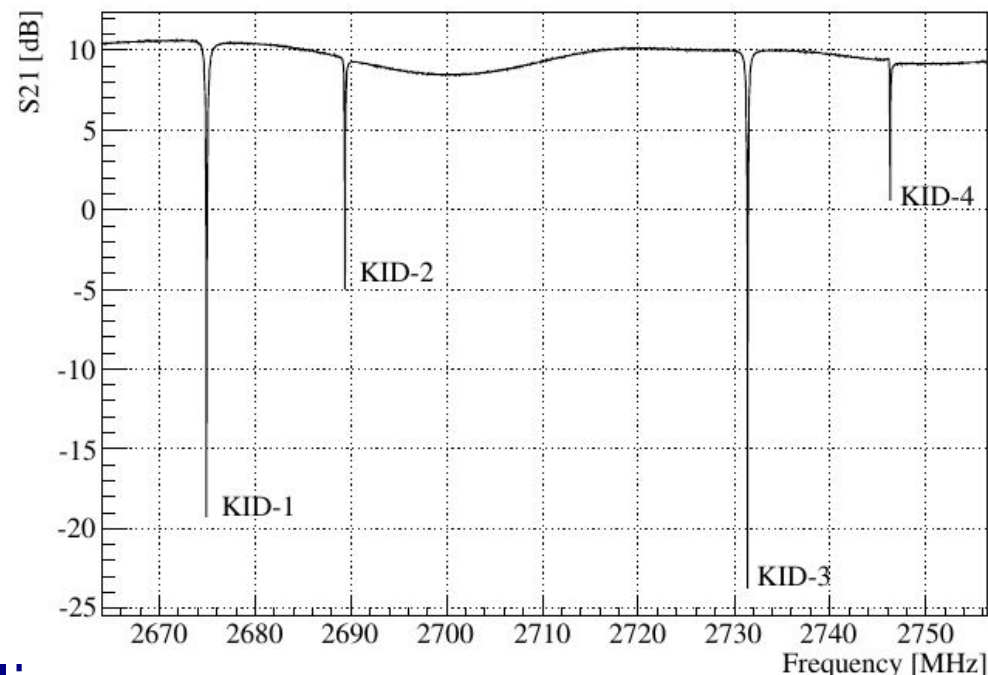
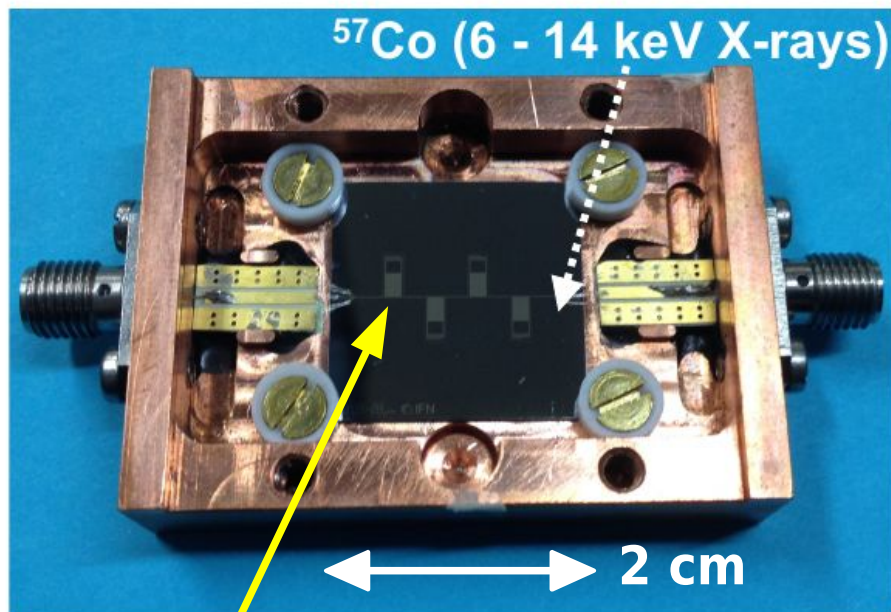


- **CALDER Target**
  - ▶ 50x50 mm<sup>2</sup> light detector
  - ▶  $E_{\text{thres}} = 20 \text{ eV}$
  - ▶  $T_{\text{op}} = 10 \text{ mK}$
- **Baseline detector design**
  - ▶ athermal phonon KID
  - ▶ Si substrate with up to 10 KID



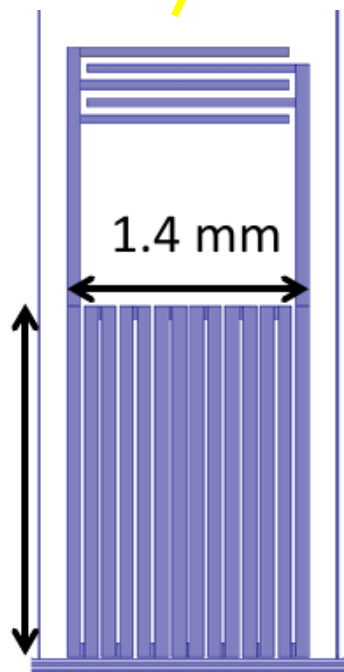
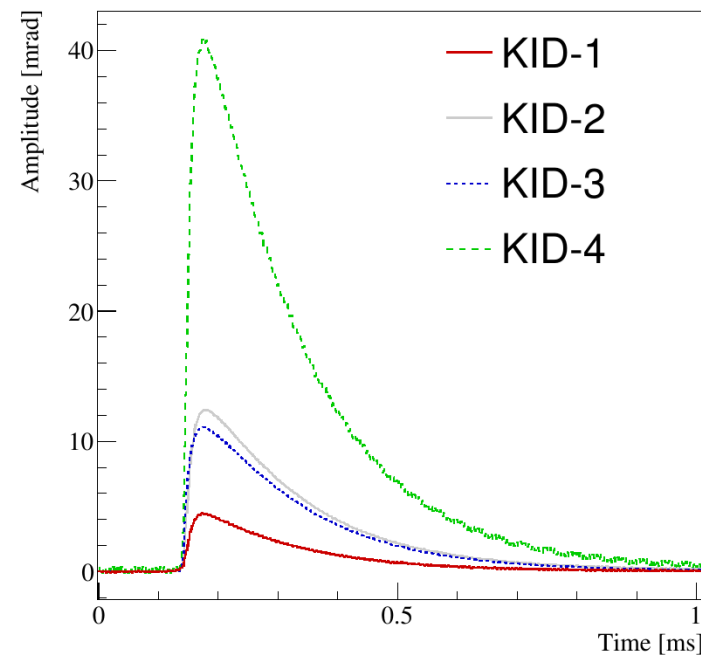


# CALDER prototype detectors



- **4x AI KID on Silicon**
  - pair-breaking detectors
- **multiplexed read-out**
  - Software Defined Radio (NIXA)

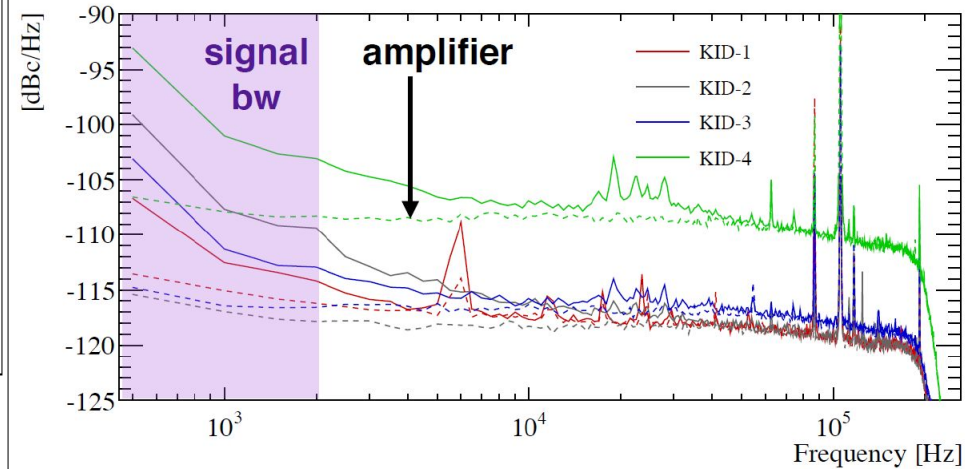
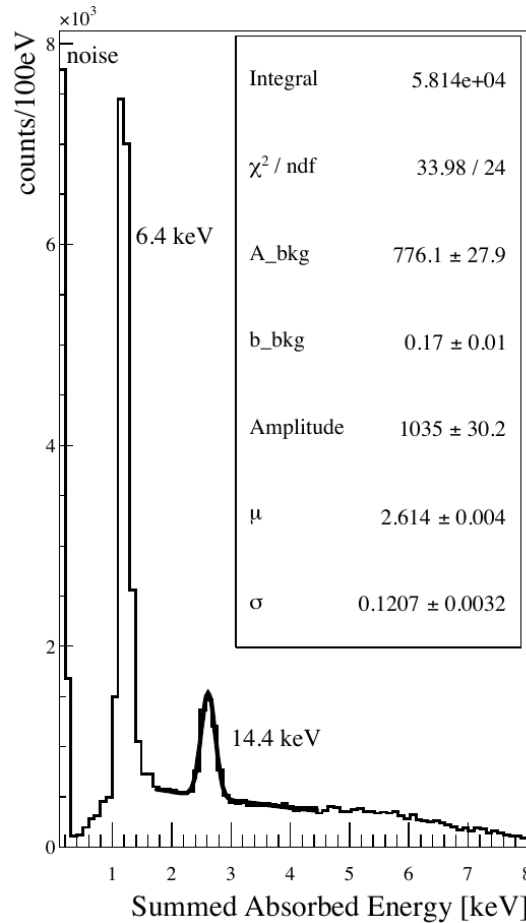
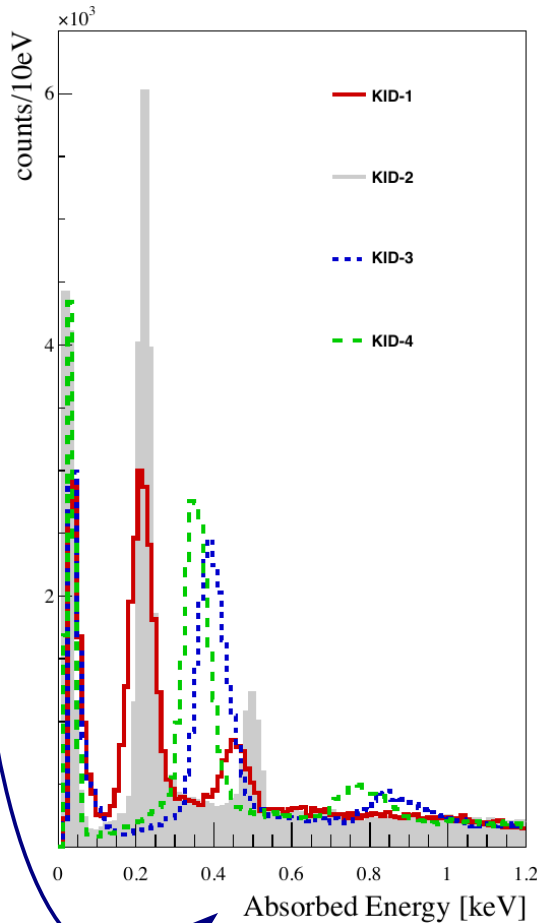
	$f_0$ [GHz]	$Q$ [ $\times 10^3$ ]
KID-1	2.675	6
KID-2	2.689	18
KID-3	2.731	8
KID-4	2.746	35



# CALDER results

- KID response calibrated in energy
- summing up the energy absorbed by each KID
  - ▶ phonon collection efficiency  $\eta = 18\%$
  - ▶ baseline width  $\sigma_E = 154 \text{ eV}$
  - ▶ unknown **low f excess noise** dominates S/N

$$E = n_{qp} \Delta = \frac{\delta f_0 / f_0}{p_0} \Delta$$

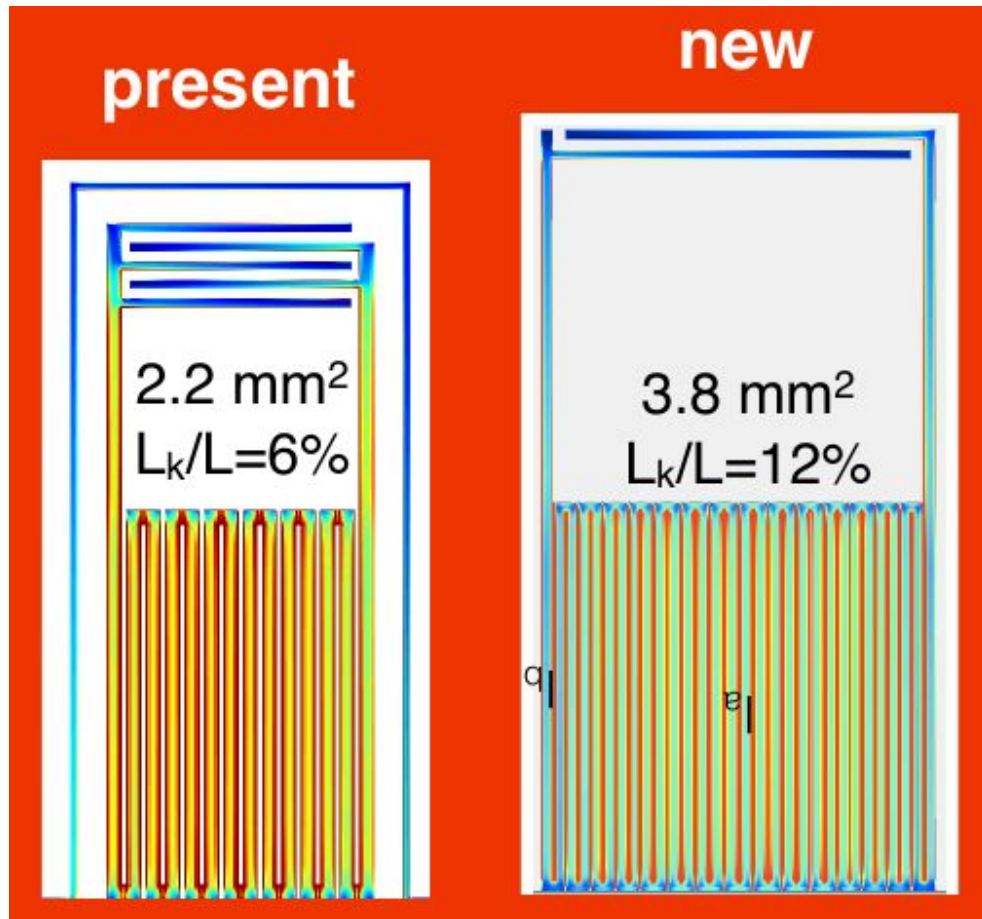


L. Cardani et al. Appl. Phys. Lett., 107 (2015) 093508

# CALDER planned improvements

$$\Delta E \propto \frac{T_c}{\sqrt{Q \eta L_k / L_{tot}}}$$

- increase phonon collection efficiency  $\eta$  by design
- increase  $\alpha = L_k / L_{tot}$  by design
- increase  $\alpha = L_k / L_{tot}$  changing material
  - ▶ non stoichiometric **TiN<sub>x</sub>**
  - ▶ **Ti/TiN** multilayers
- reduce **1/f excess noise**



	Al	TiN [non stoic.]	Ti+TiN [stoich]
$T_c$ [K]	1.2	0.9	>0.4
$L_k$ [pH/square]	0.5	3	30

# Thermal-mode microresonators (KIDS\_RD @CSN5)

## Equivalence of temperature change and external pair breaking

- $h\nu$  absorption  $\rightarrow \Delta T \approx h\nu/C$
- increase qp density  $n_{qp}$

$$n_{qp}(T) = 2 N_0 \sqrt{2\pi k T \Delta} e^{-\frac{\Delta}{kT}}$$

- change in complex surface impedance  $Z_s = R_s + i\omega L_s$

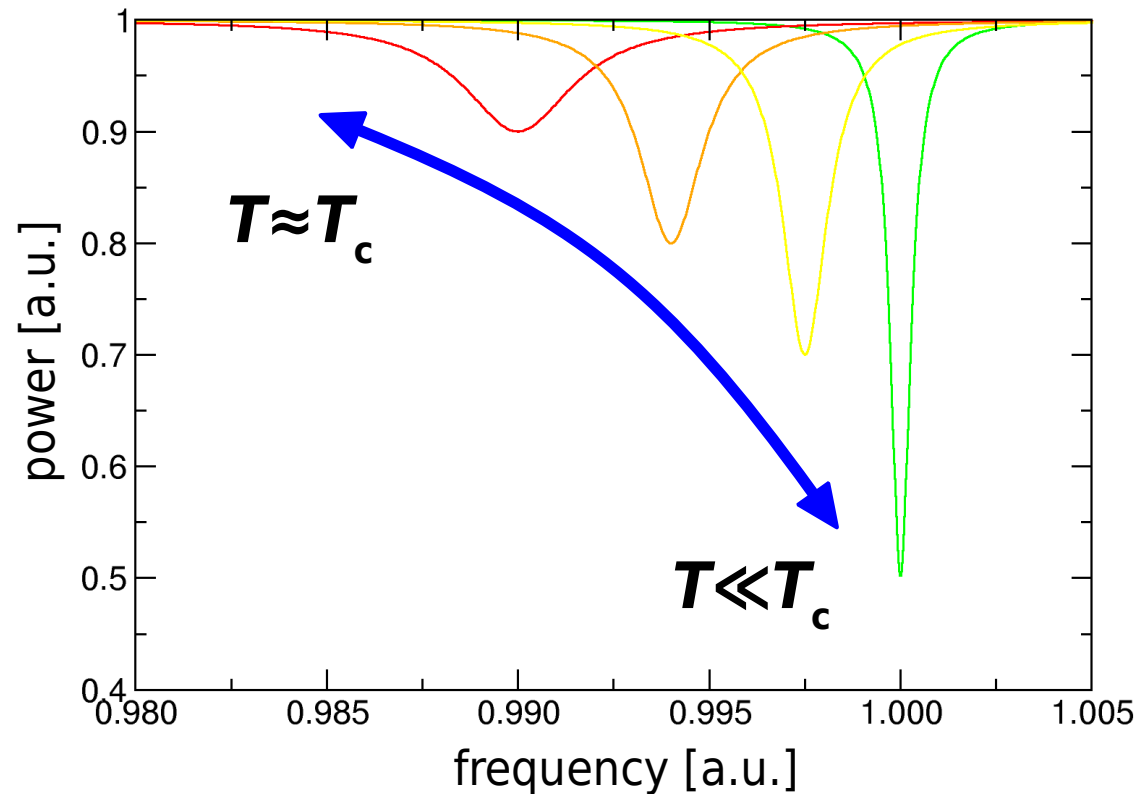


$$\frac{\delta f}{f_0} = -\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\delta L_s}{L_s} \quad \delta Q^{-1} = \alpha \frac{\delta R_s}{\omega L_s}$$

$\alpha$  surface inductance  $L_s$  fraction in circuit inductance

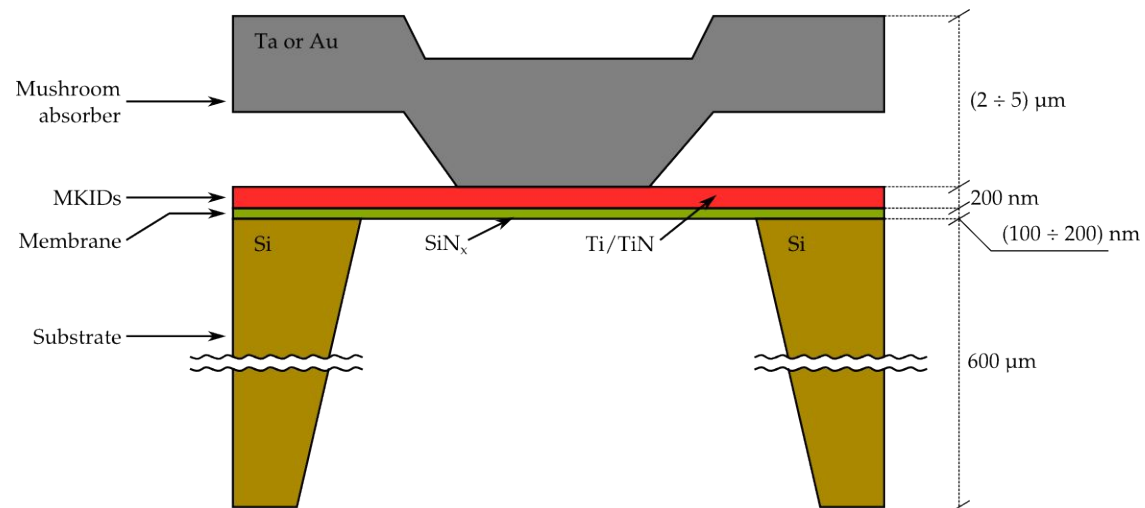
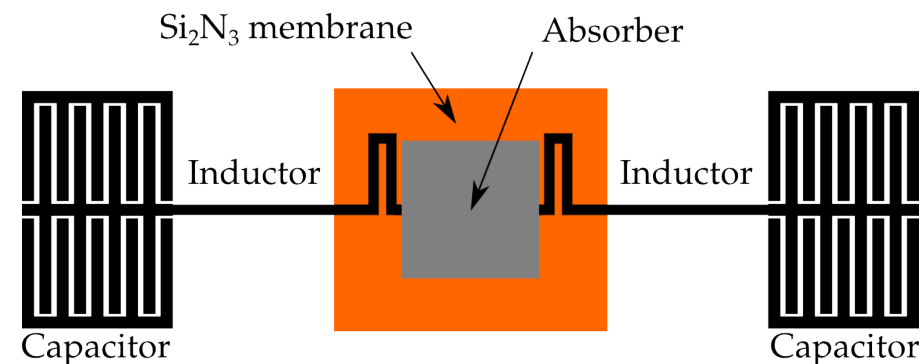
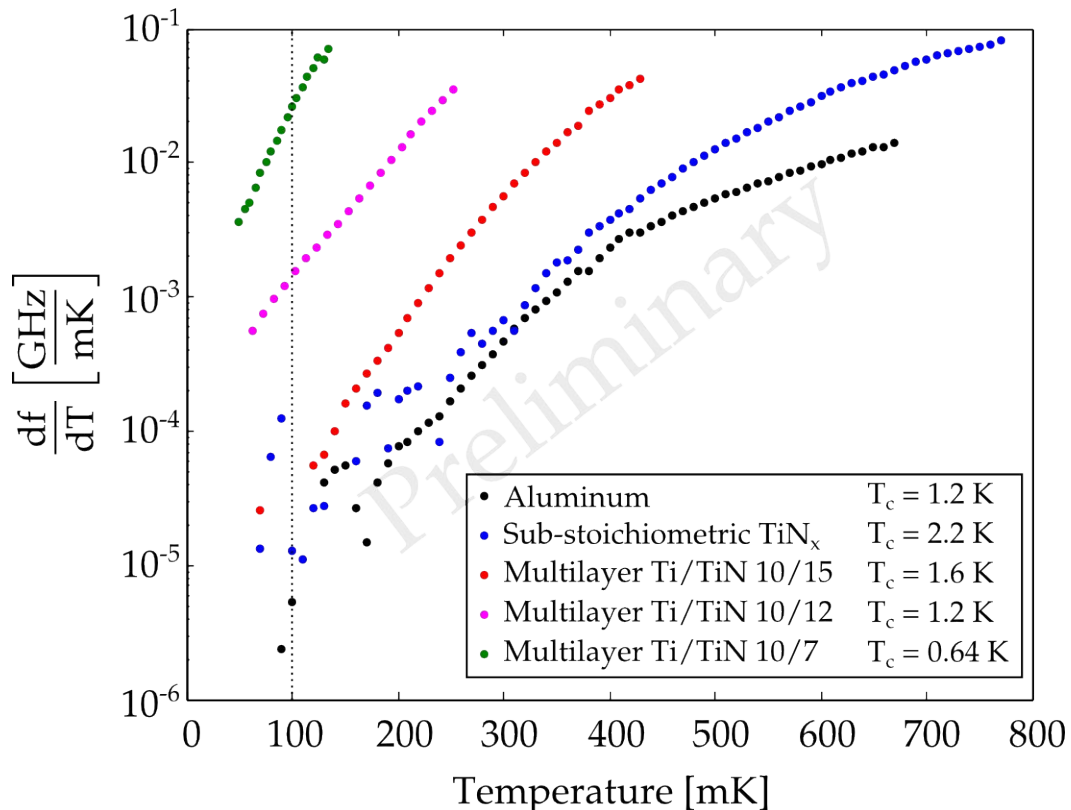
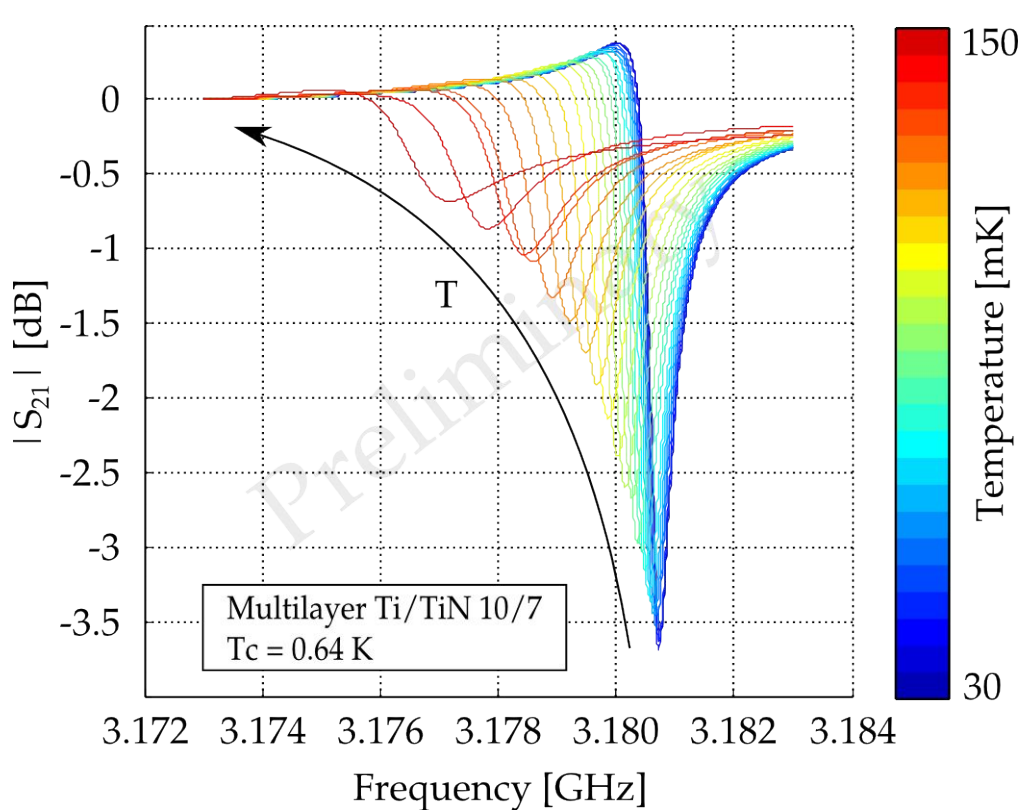


- relaxation time:  
thermal time constant  $\tau = C/G$

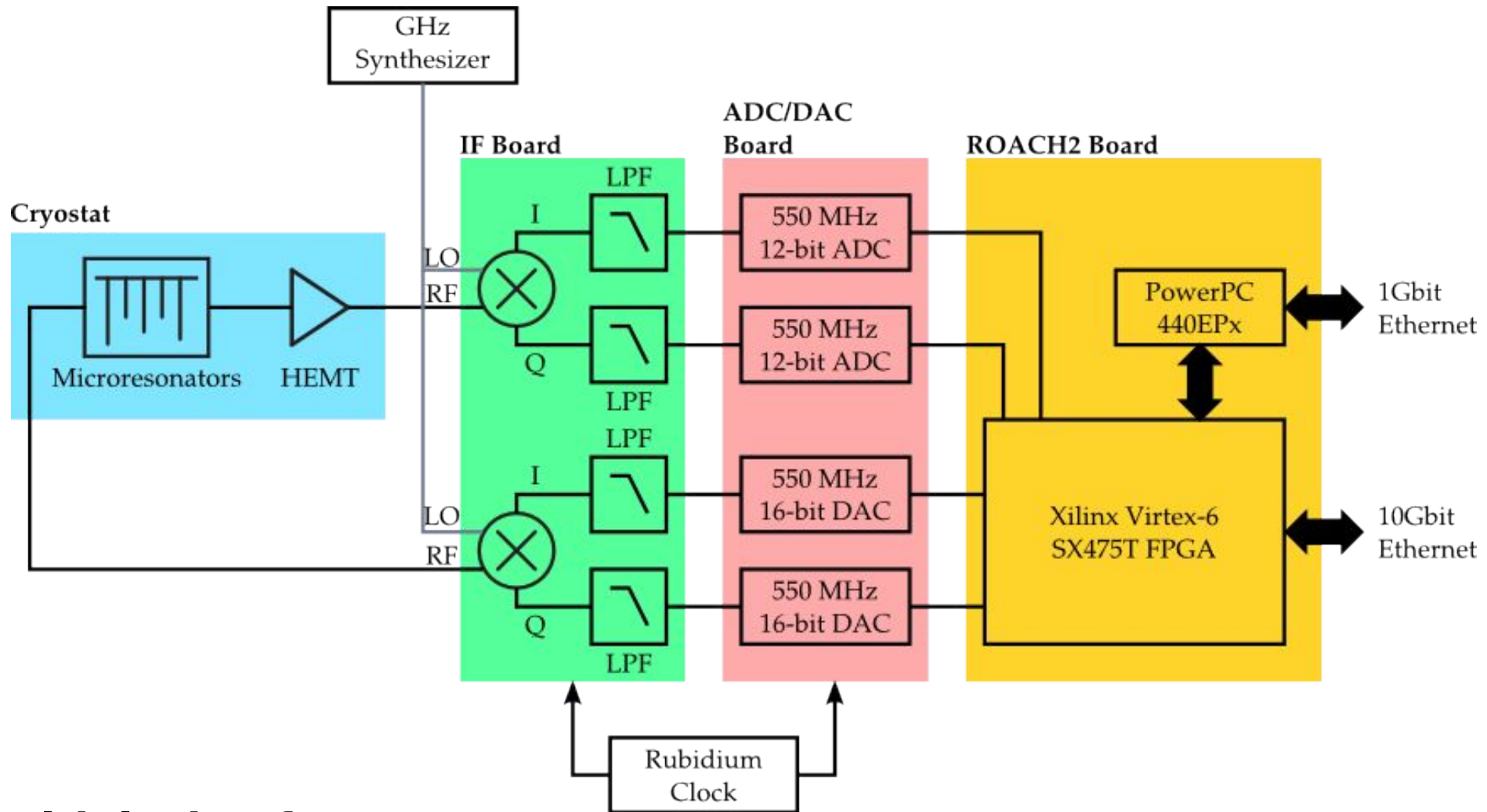


- **thermal KID**  $\leftrightarrow$  TES *replacement*
  - ▶ simpler micro-fabrication
  - ▶ simpler read-out (no SQUID)
  - ▶ easier high BW multiplexing
  - ▶  **$\Delta E \approx$  thermodynamic limit**

# Thermal-mode KID microcalorimeters



# KIDS multiplexing: Software Defined Radio



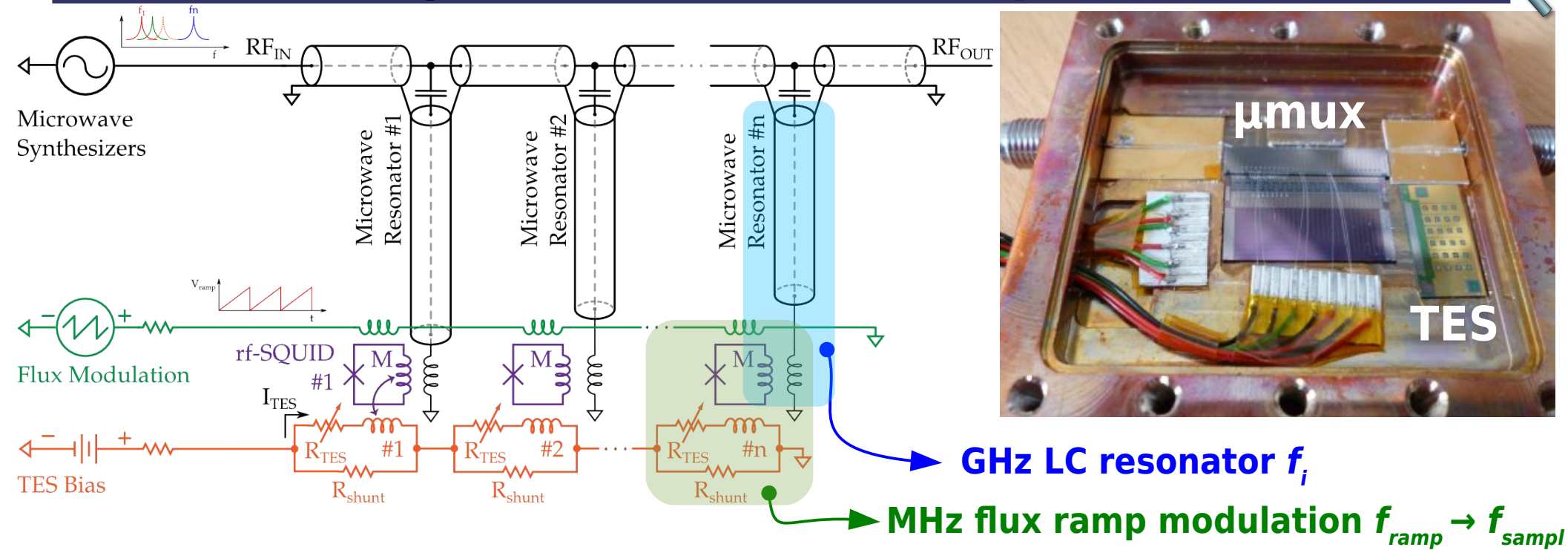
- multiplexing factor  $N_{mux}$

- $f_{BW}$  required bandwidth per channel  $\approx 1/\tau_{rise}$

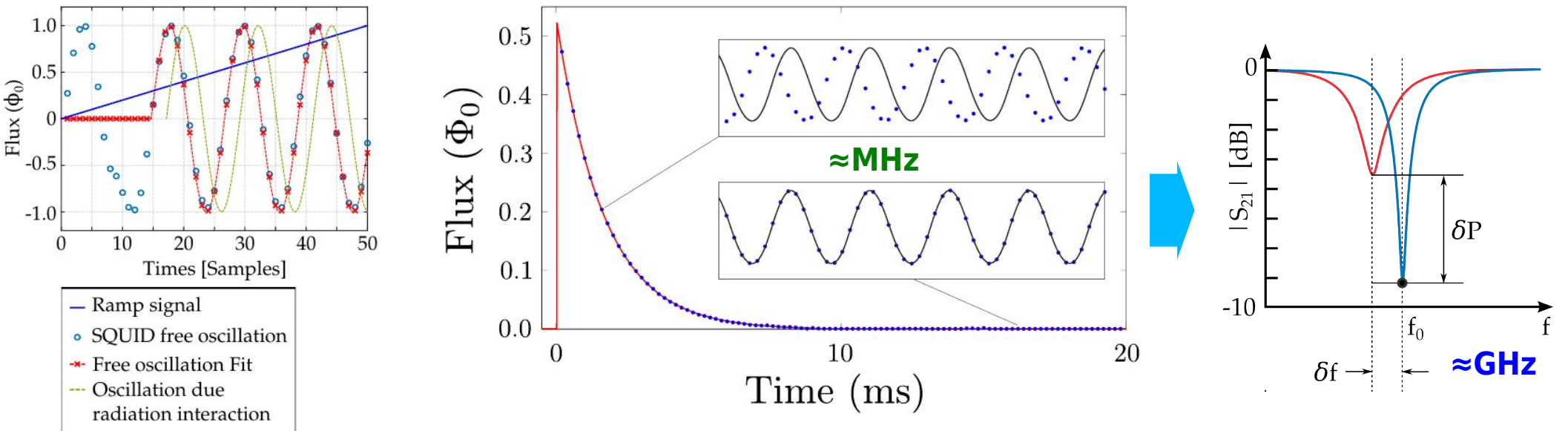
$$N_{mux} = \frac{f_{ADC}}{10f_{BW}}$$

$$f_{ADC} = 550 \text{ MHz}, f_{BW} = 100 \text{ kHz} \rightarrow N_{mux} \approx 500$$

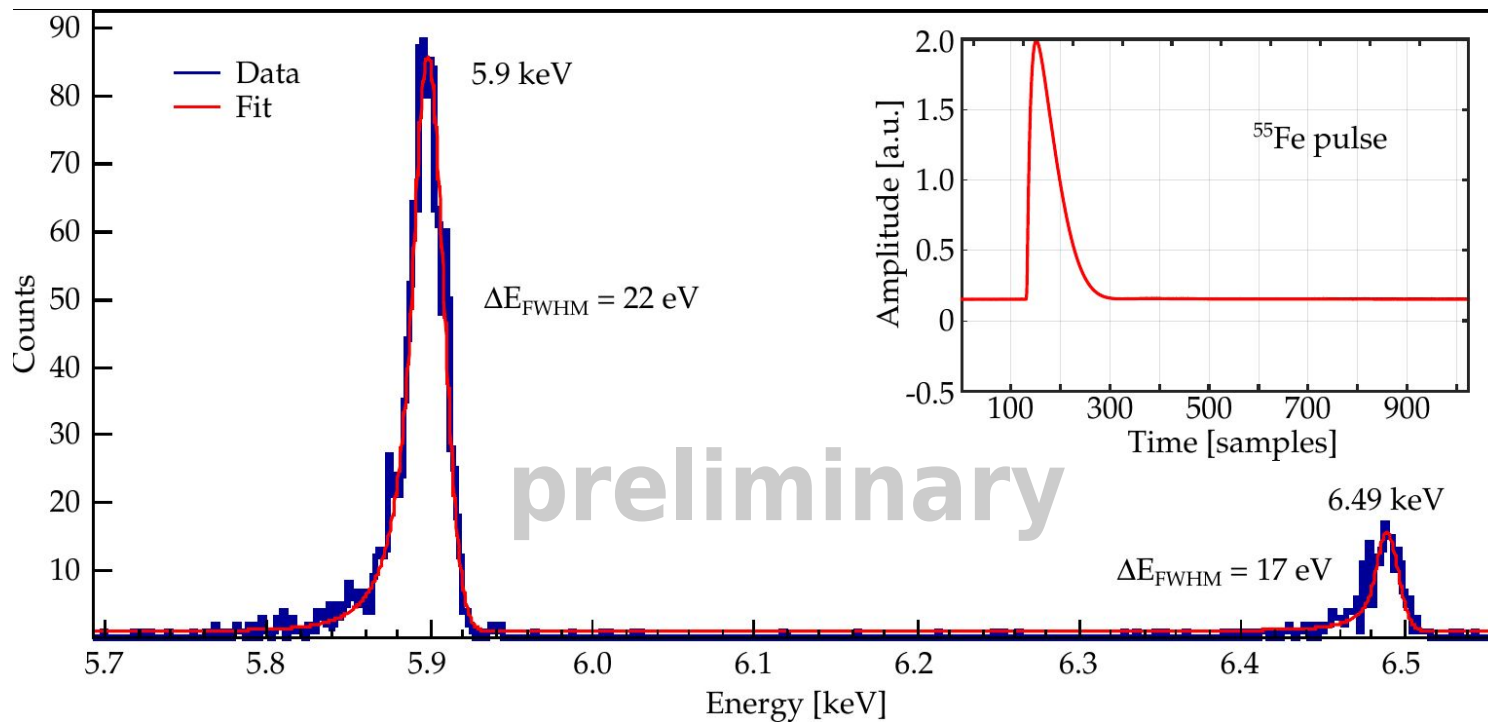
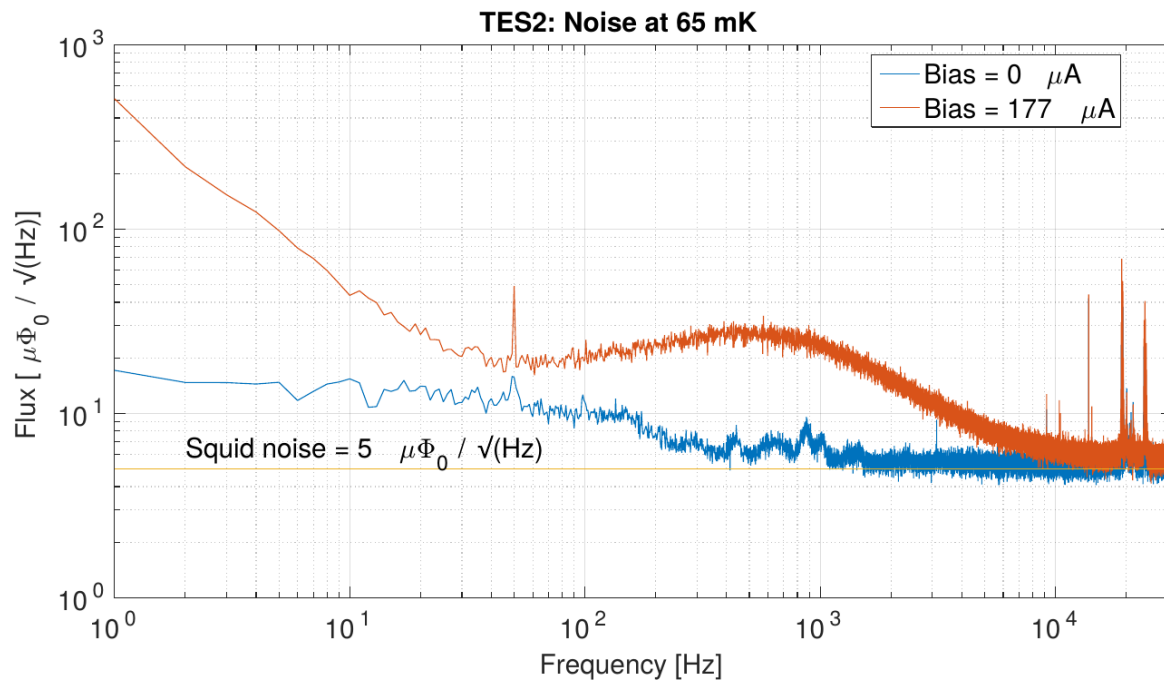
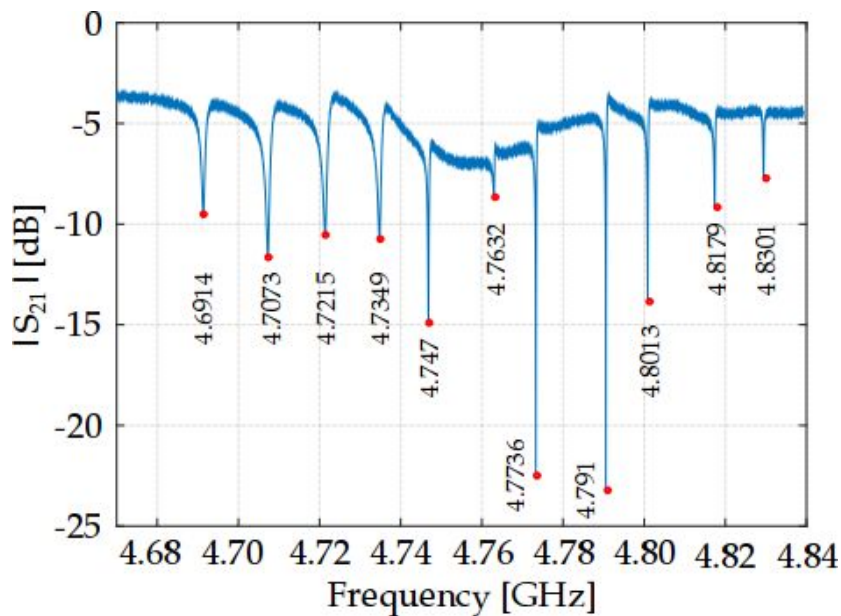
# HOLMES array read-out: rf-SQUID $\mu$ wave mux



## TES current signal frequency up-conversion + rf-SQUID response linearization



# HOLMES TES $\mu$ wave read-out testing

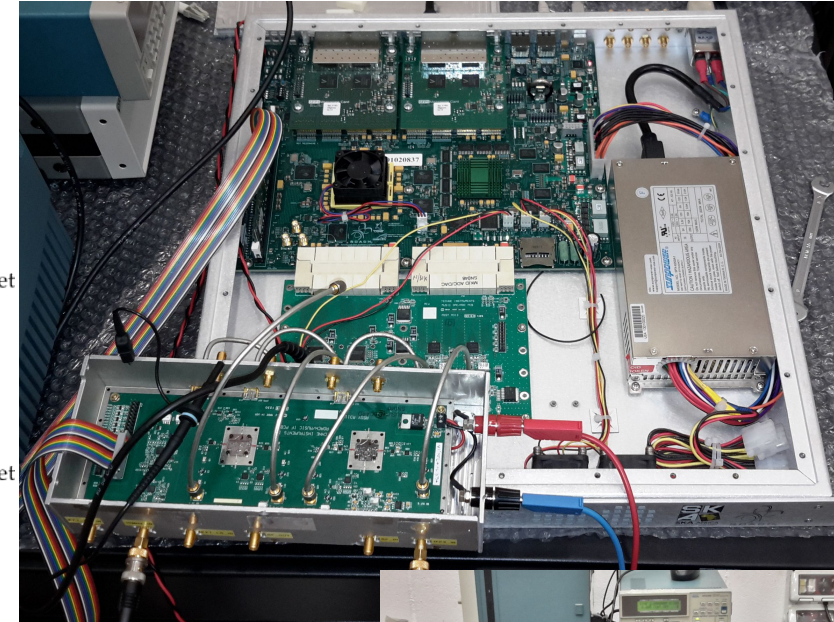
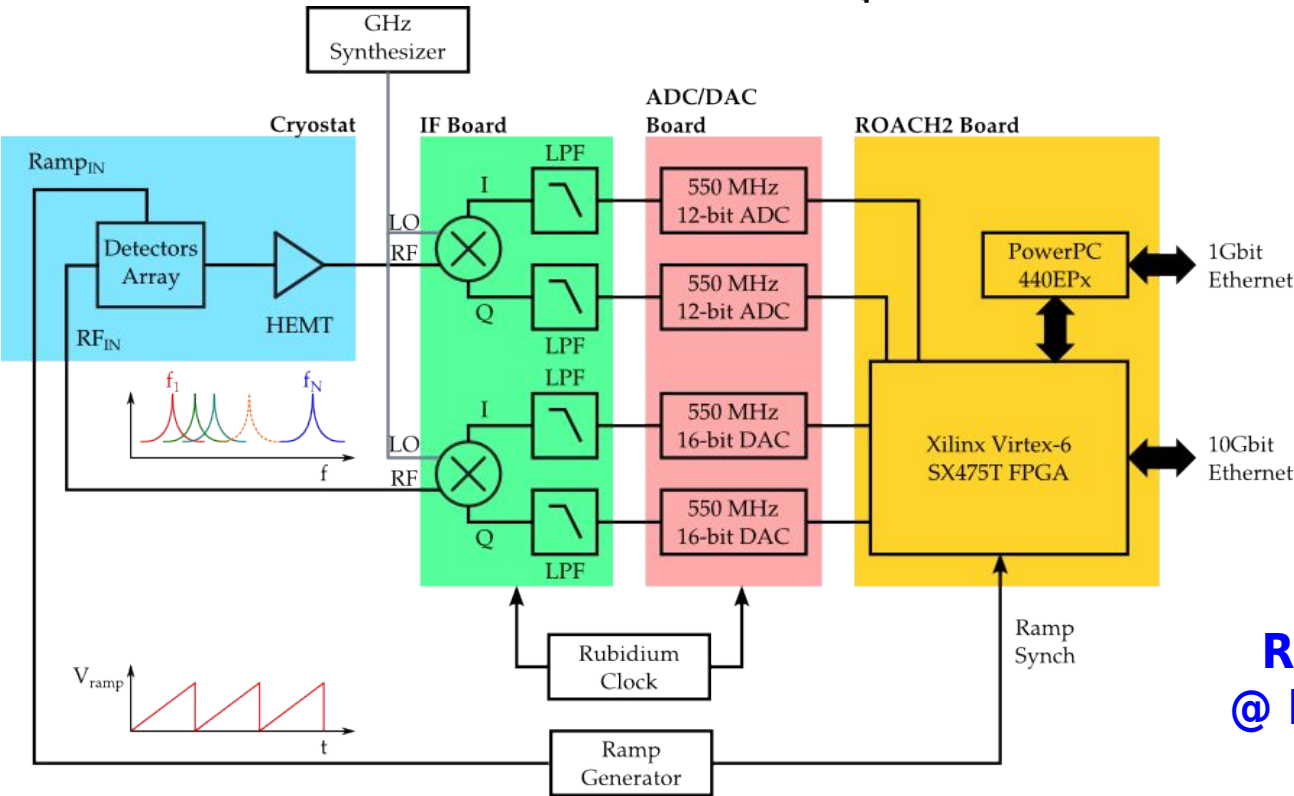




# TES microwave multiplexing (also for MMC)



## Software Defined Radio + flux ramp modulation based on ROACH2



ROACH2 system @ Milano-Bicocca for HOLMES



- **multiplexing factor**

- $f_{TES}$  required bandwidth per channel

$$f_{TES} = n_{\phi_0} f_{sampler} \quad (f_{sampler} = f_{ramp} \text{ from pile-up simulations})$$

$$N_{mux} = \frac{f_{ADC}}{10 f_{TES}} \quad f_{sampler} = 0.5 \text{ MHz}, n_{\phi_0} = 2 \rightarrow N_{mux} \approx 50$$

**Today LTD sensor technologies**  
are powerful and flexible tools for  
cutting edge science applications  
(largely incomplete review...)

**There is room for further improvements**  
to make devices more *friendly* and flexible

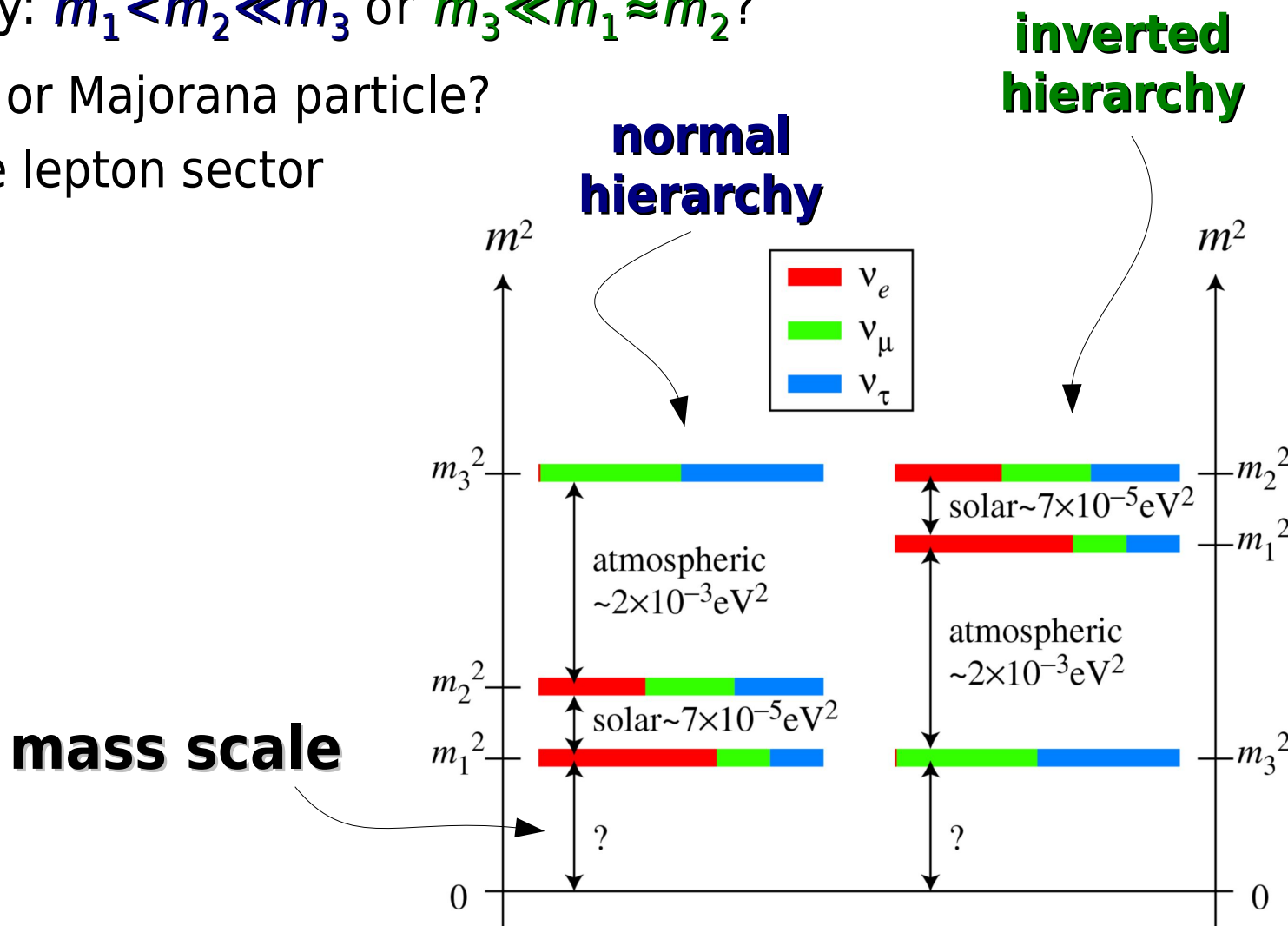
**Many more applications are possible**

# ***Backup slides ...***

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# Neutrino open questions

- mass scale: i.e. mass of the lightest  $\nu$
- degenerate ( $m_1 \approx m_2 \approx m_3$ ) or hierarchical masses
  - ▶ mass hierarchy:  $m_1 < m_2 \ll m_3$  or  $m_3 \ll m_1 \approx m_2$ ?
- $\nu = \bar{\nu}$ ? i.e. Dirac or Majorana particle?
- CP violation in the lepton sector



# The Challenge: absolute neutrino mass

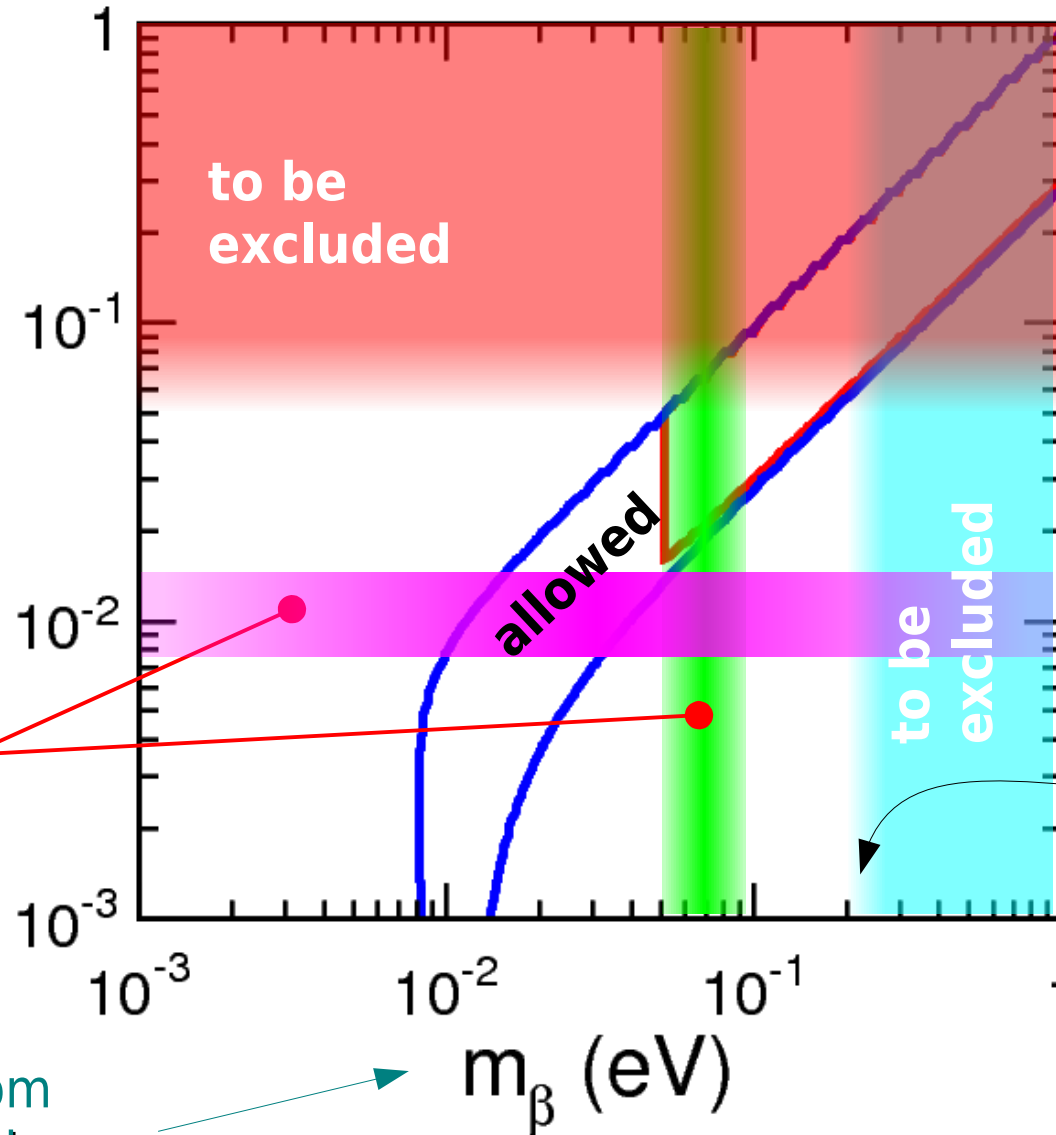
expected for the next few years

from  
Neutrinoless  
Double Beta  
decay

$m_{\beta\beta}$  (eV)

how to get  
to here?

from  
Beta decay  
end-point



**CUORE**  
 $m_{\beta\beta} \lesssim 0.1$  eV  
in 2016/2021

— 2σ (NH)  
— 2σ (IH)

**KATRIN**  
 $m_{\nu} < 0.2$  eV  
in 2016/2017

# CUORE sensitivity potential

- sensitivity depends strongly on **background** level
- **NME uncertainties** broaden the sensitivity expectations \*

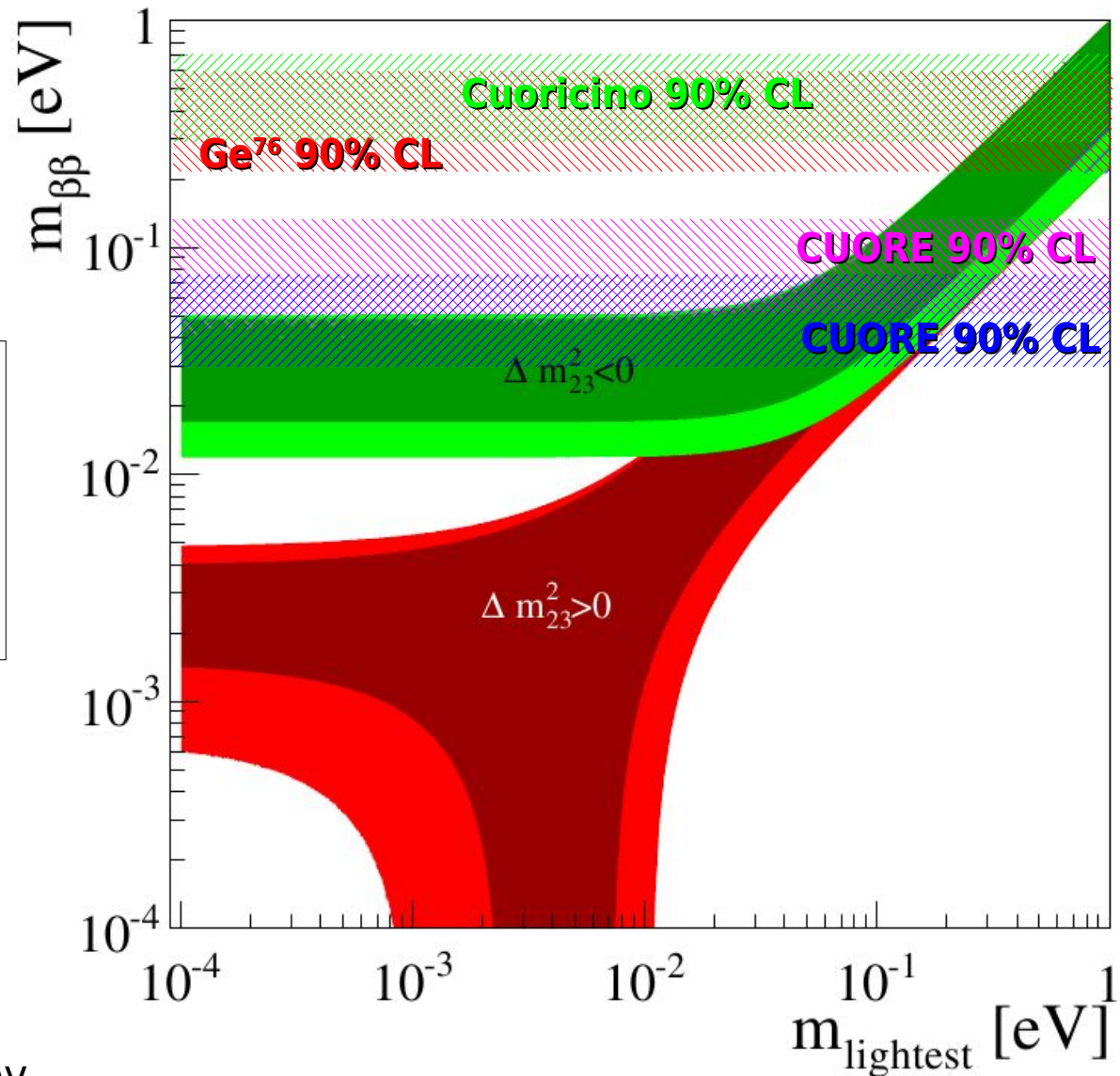
## 90% CL sensitivity in 5 years

$bkg$	$\Delta E$	$\tau_{1/2}^{0\nu}$	$\langle m_\nu \rangle$
[c/keV/kg/y]	[keV]	[y]	[meV]
0.01	5	$1.0 \times 10^{26}$	$50 \div 129$
0.001	5	$2.8 \times 10^{26}$	$30 \div 77$

## Nuclear Matrix Elements from:

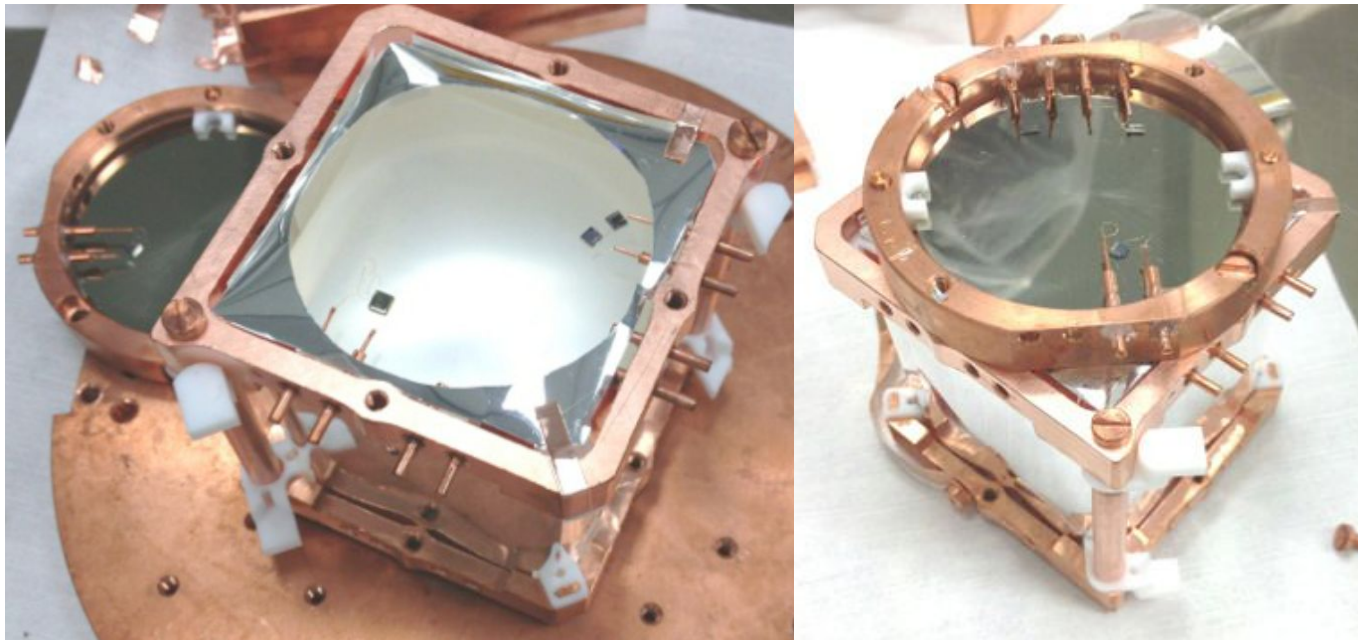
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- \* **NME uncertainties** can be reduced by observing  $\beta\beta-0\nu$  in many different isotopes



# TeO<sub>2</sub> with Cherenkov

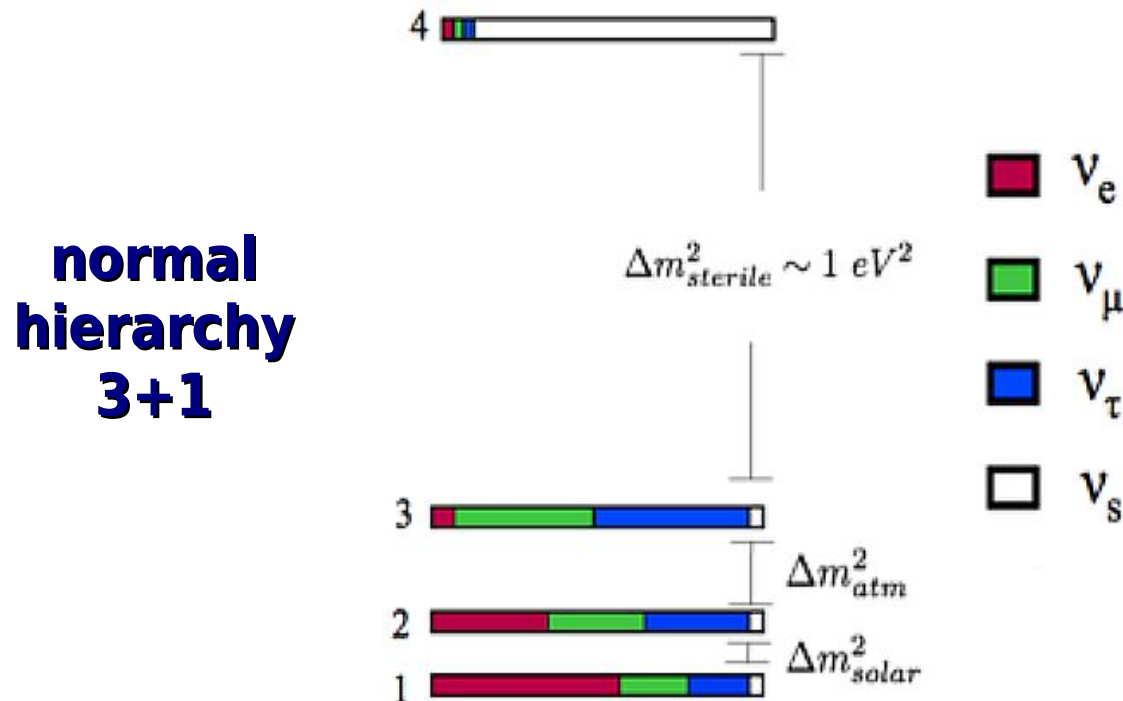
- TeO<sub>2</sub> does not scintillate, but MeV  $\beta$ s emit **Cherenkov radiation**
- threshold for Cherenkov light emission:
  - ▷ 50 keV for  $\beta/\gamma$
  - ▷ 400 MeV for  $\alpha$
  - ▷  **$\alpha/\gamma$  discrimination is possible** (T.Tabarelli de Fatis, EPJC65 (2010) 359)
- Expected light emission: 140 eV/MeV
- Extremely challenging background discrimination



# Anomalies and unobserved phenomenologies

- there are **anomalies** in data from
  - ▶ past reactor oscillation experiments (reanalyzed)
  - ▶ short baseline accelerator oscillation experiments (LSND, MiniBOONE)
  - ▶ solar experiment calibration with neutrino sources (GALLEX)
- call for 4<sup>th</sup> neutrino mass state  $\nu_4 \rightarrow$  **sterile neutrino**

$$\Delta m^2 \approx 1 \text{ eV} \quad \text{and} \quad \sin^2 2\theta \gtrsim 0.1$$



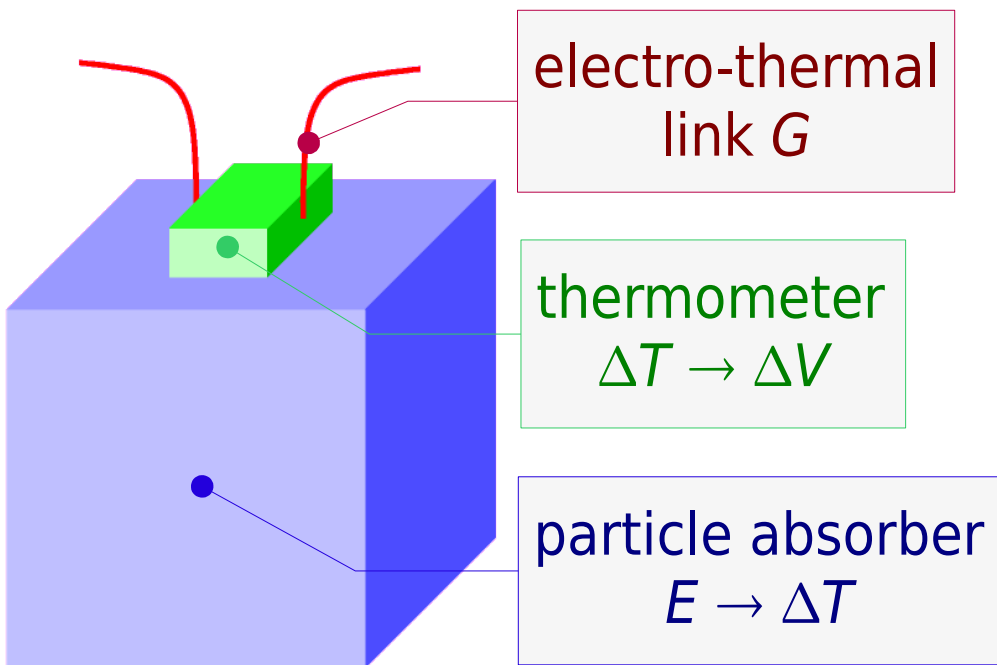


# Anomalies and unobserved phenomenologies

- **Sterile (Right Handed) neutrinos** are a natural extension to the Standard Model to include the mass of active neutrinos ( $\nu$ MSM)
  - ▶ sterile neutrino in the **keV mass range** are perfect candidate as **Warm Dark Matter (WDM)** particles
- **Standard Model also predicts:**
  - ▶ coherent neutrino scattering on nuclei → never observed!
  - ▶ cosmic neutrino background (CvB) → never observed!

**→ neutrinos probe physics beyond Standard Model**

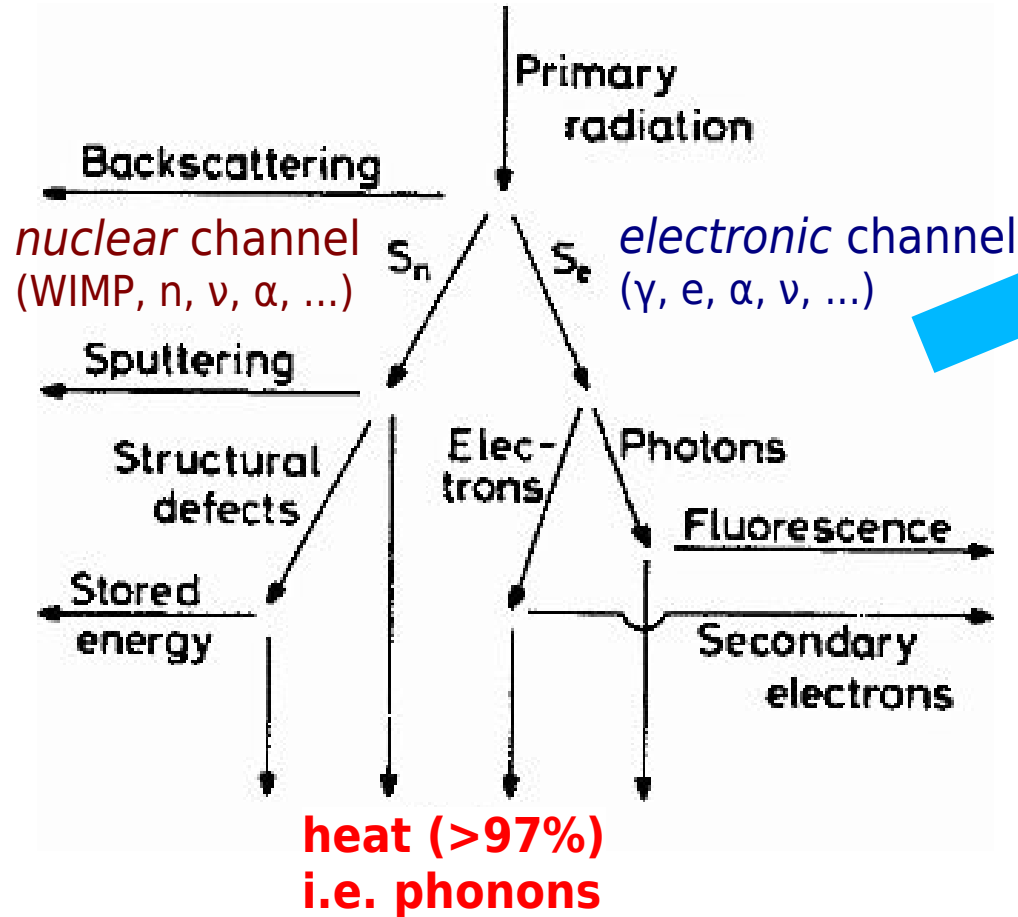
# Low temperature detectors as calorimeters



- (quasi-)equilibrium thermal detector
- complete energy *thermalization*
  - ▶ **calorimetry**
- **$\Delta T = E/C$**  ( $C$  thermal capacity)
  - ▶ low  $C$ 
    - ▷ low  $T$  (i.e.  $T \ll 1\text{K}$ )
    - ▷ dielectrics, superconductors
- **Pros and cons**
  - ▲ high energy resolution
  - ▲ large choice of absorber materials
  - ▲ true calorimeters
  - ▼ only energy and time informations
  - ▼ slow time response

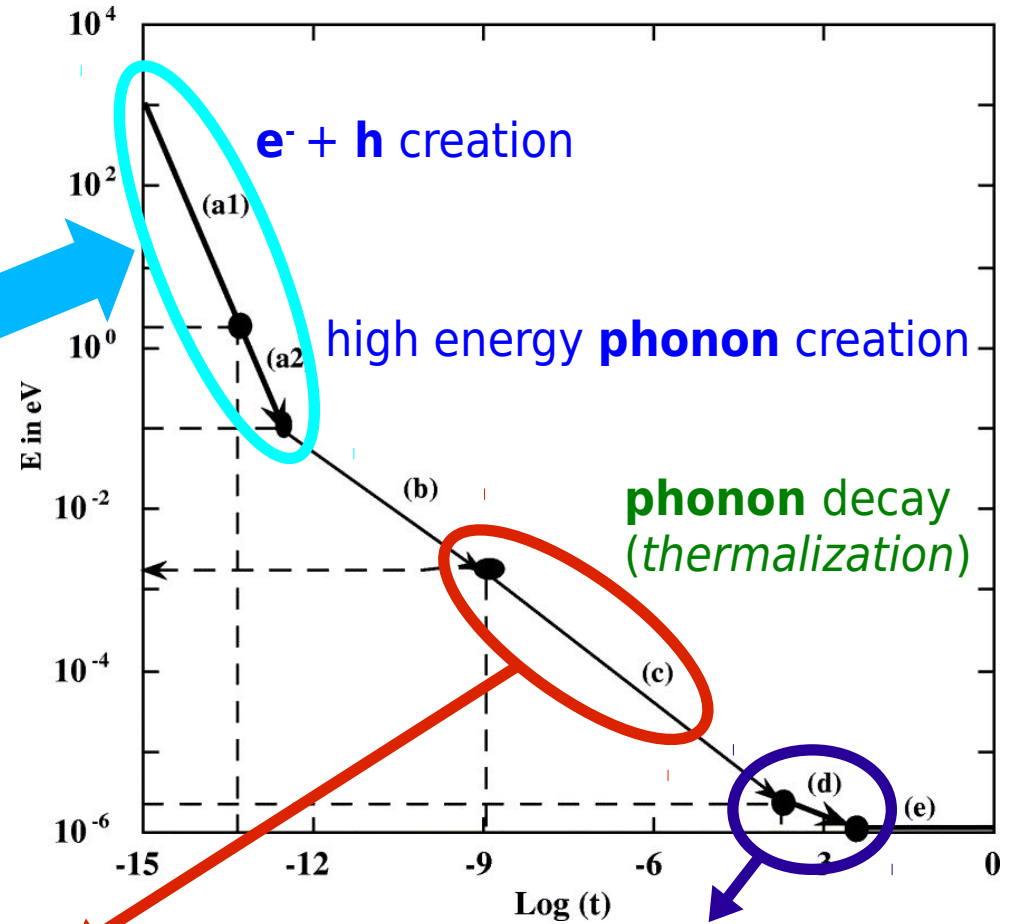
# Particle interactions in LTD

directly ionizing:  $\gamma$ ,  $e$ ,  $\alpha$ , ...  
 indirectly ionizing:  $n$ , WIMP,  $\nu$ , ...



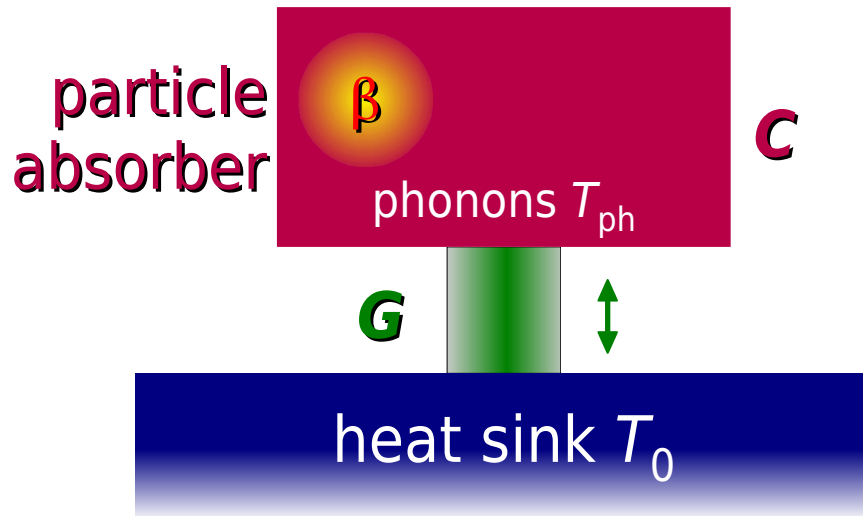
ballistic phonon propagation  
 → **athermal** LTD signal

## timescale



temperature rise/decay  
 → **quasi-equilibrium** LTD signal

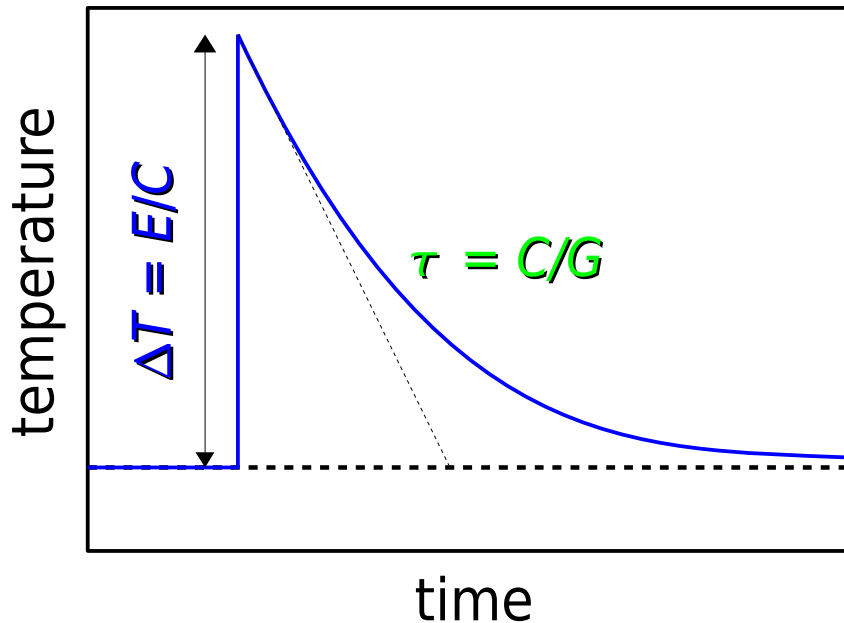
# Low temperature detector principles



$$C(T_{ph}) \frac{dT_{ph}}{dt} + G(T_{ph}, T_0) = P(t)$$

$$P(t) = \Delta E \delta(t) \rightarrow T_{ph}(t) = T_0 + \frac{\Delta E}{C} e^{-t/\tau}$$

for  $t > 0$  and with  $\tau = C/G$



- **750 g of TeO<sub>2</sub> @ 10 mK**

$$C \sim T^3 \text{ (Debye)} \Rightarrow C \sim 2 \times 10^{-9} \text{ J/K}$$

$$1 \text{ MeV } \gamma\text{-ray} \Rightarrow \Delta T \sim 80 \mu\text{K}$$

$$G \sim 4 \times 10^{-9} \text{ W/K} \Rightarrow \tau = C/G \sim 0.5 \text{ s}$$

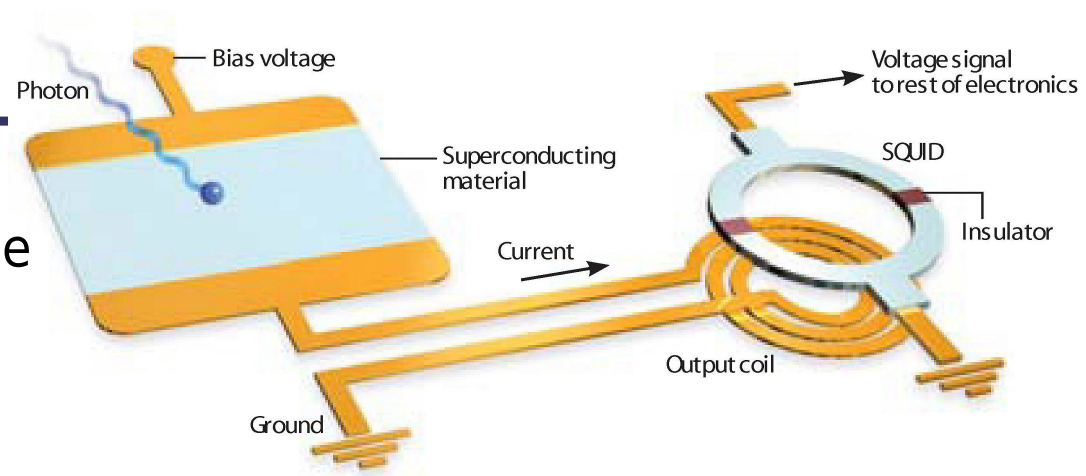
- **1 mg of Re @ 100 mK**

$$C \sim T^3 \text{ (Debye)} \Rightarrow C \sim 10^{-13} \text{ J/K}$$

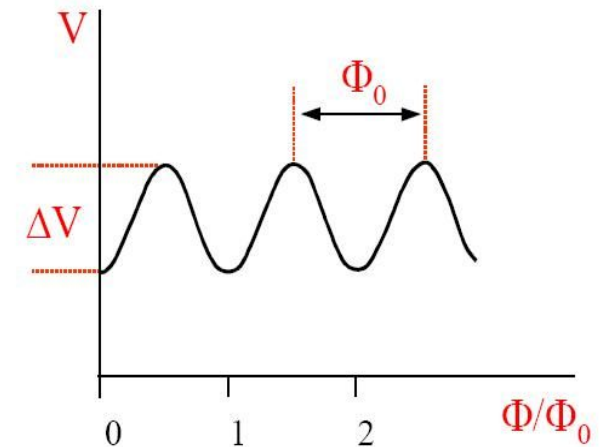
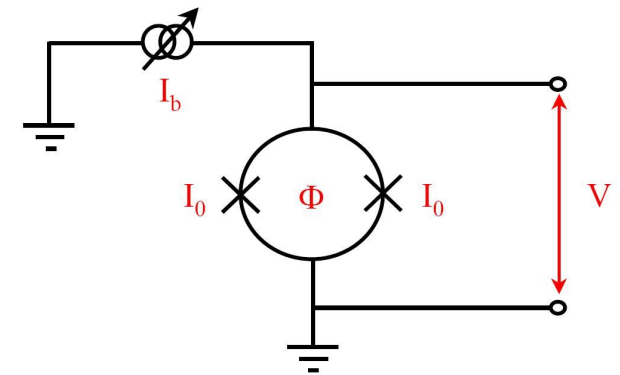
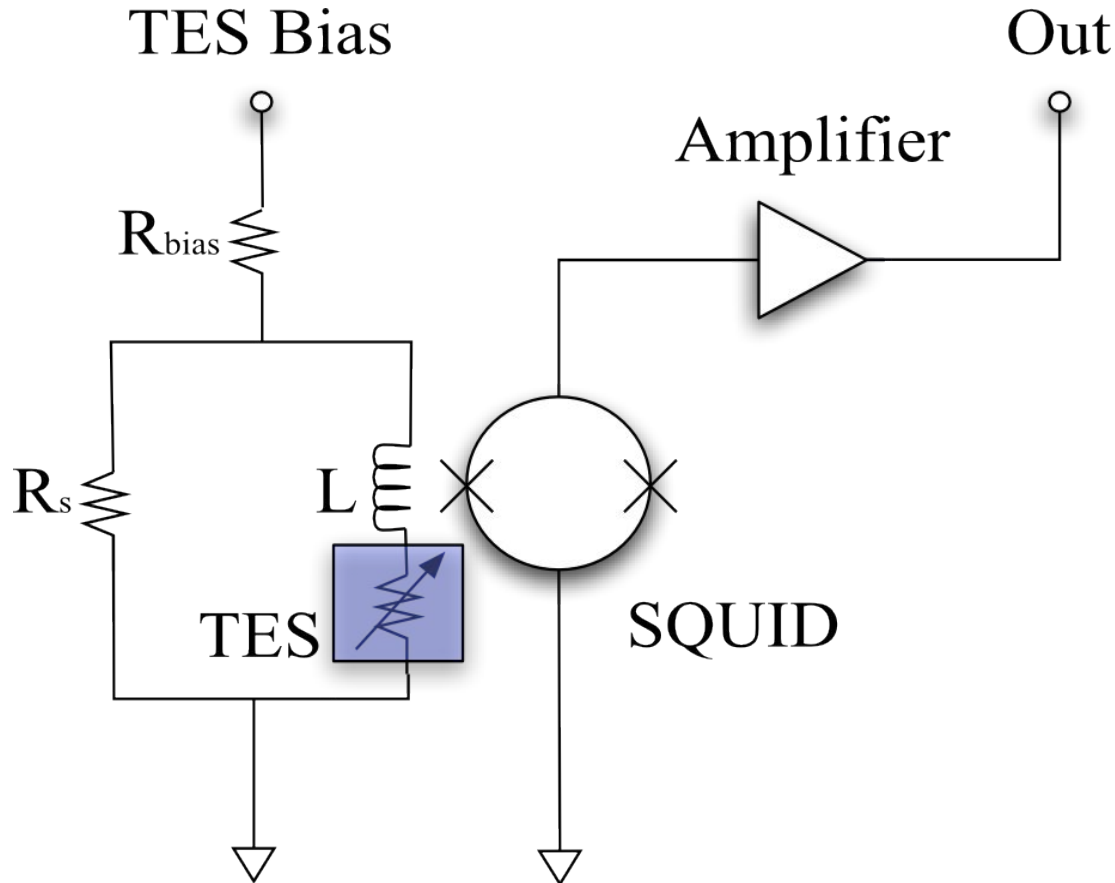
$$6 \text{ keV X-ray} \Rightarrow \Delta T \sim 10 \text{ mK}$$

$$G \sim 10^{-11} \text{ W/K} \Rightarrow \tau = C/G \sim 10 \text{ ms}$$

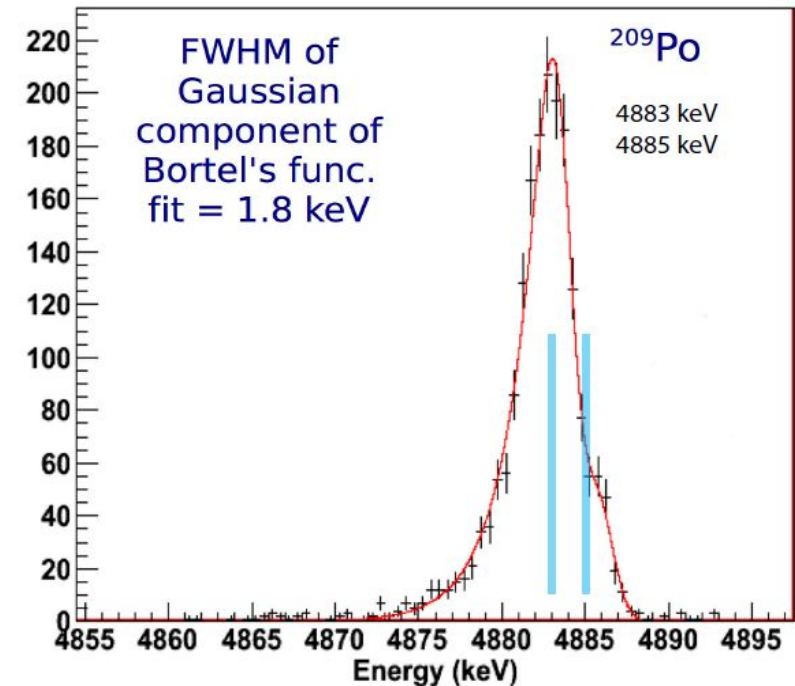
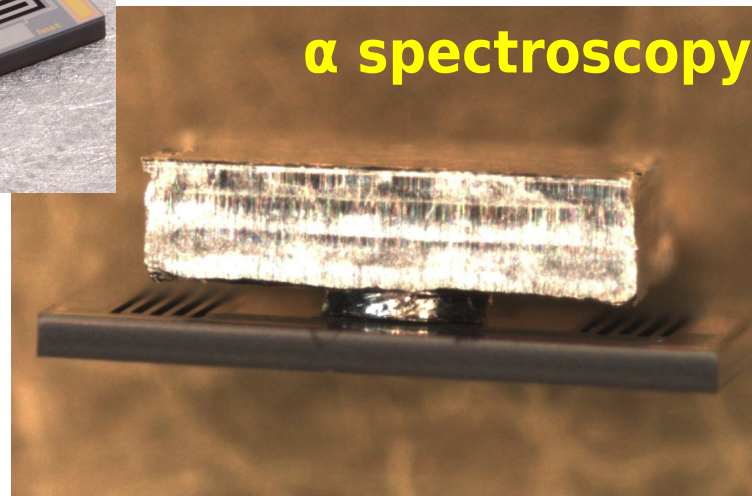
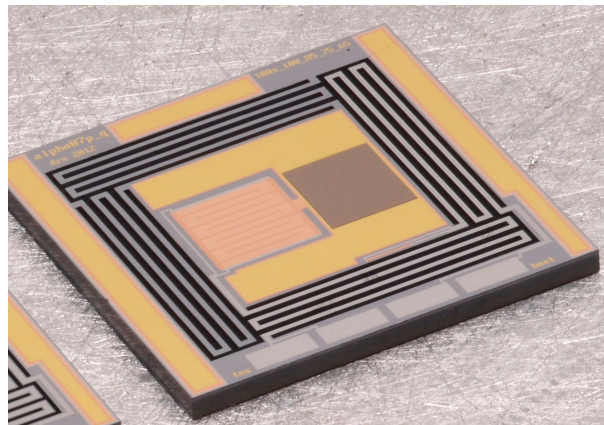
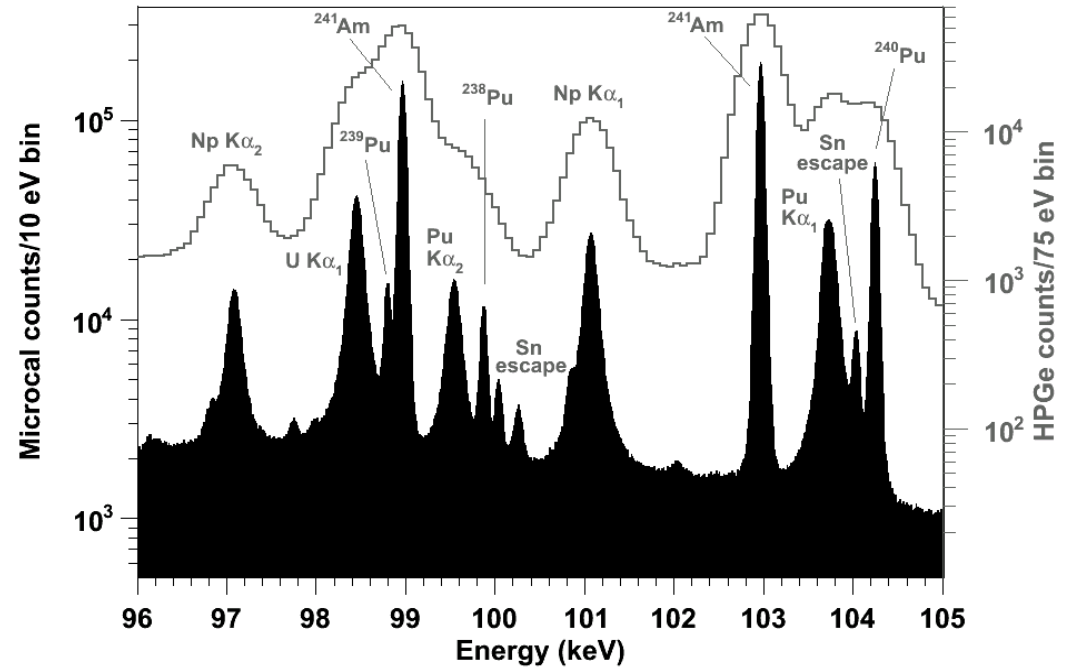
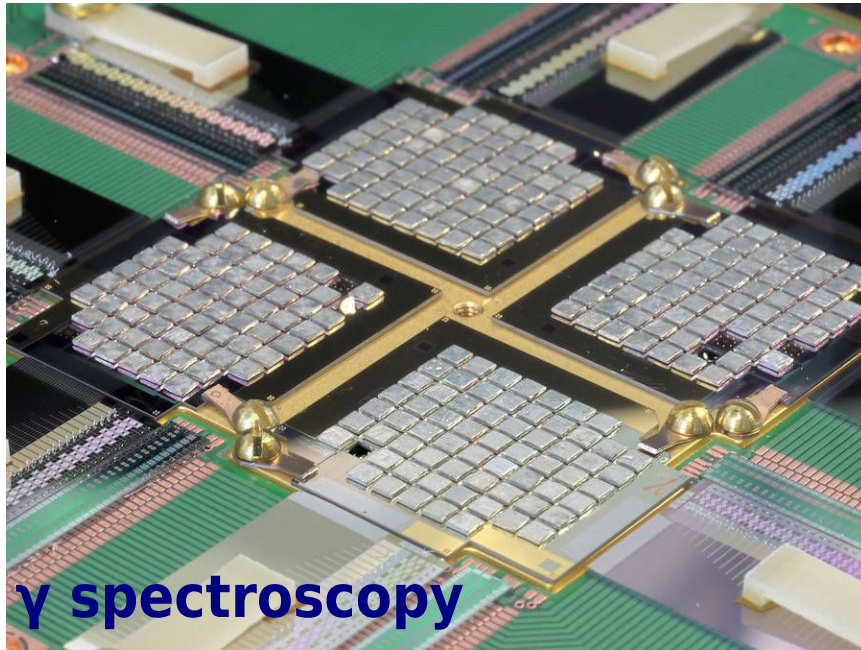
# TES read-out: SQUID



- low impedance suitable for multiplexable dc-SQUID magnetometers
- current amplifier configuration
  - ▷  $\Delta I \rightarrow \Delta \Phi \rightarrow \Delta V$
- feedback linearized response

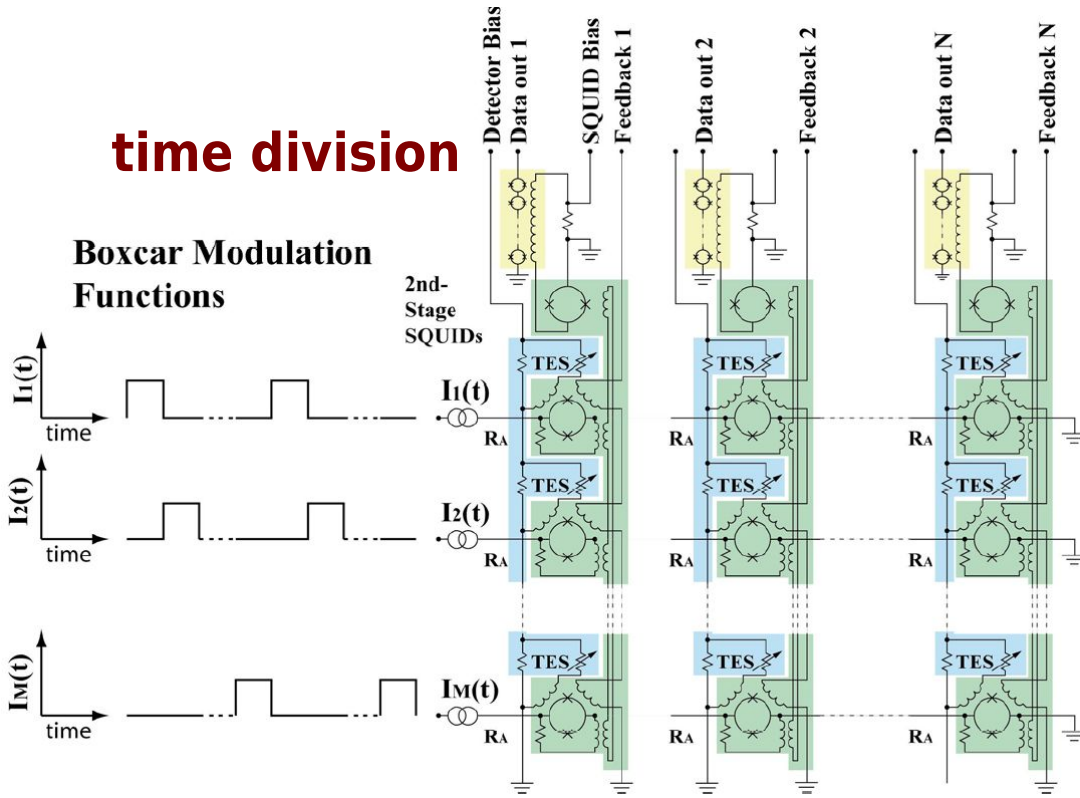


# TES arrays for $\gamma$ and $\alpha$ with Sn absorbers



# TES array multiplexing

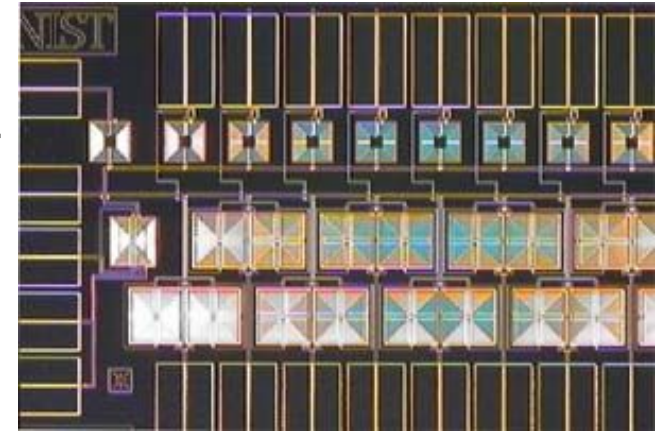
## time division



**32 channels in 1 column**

32 addresses

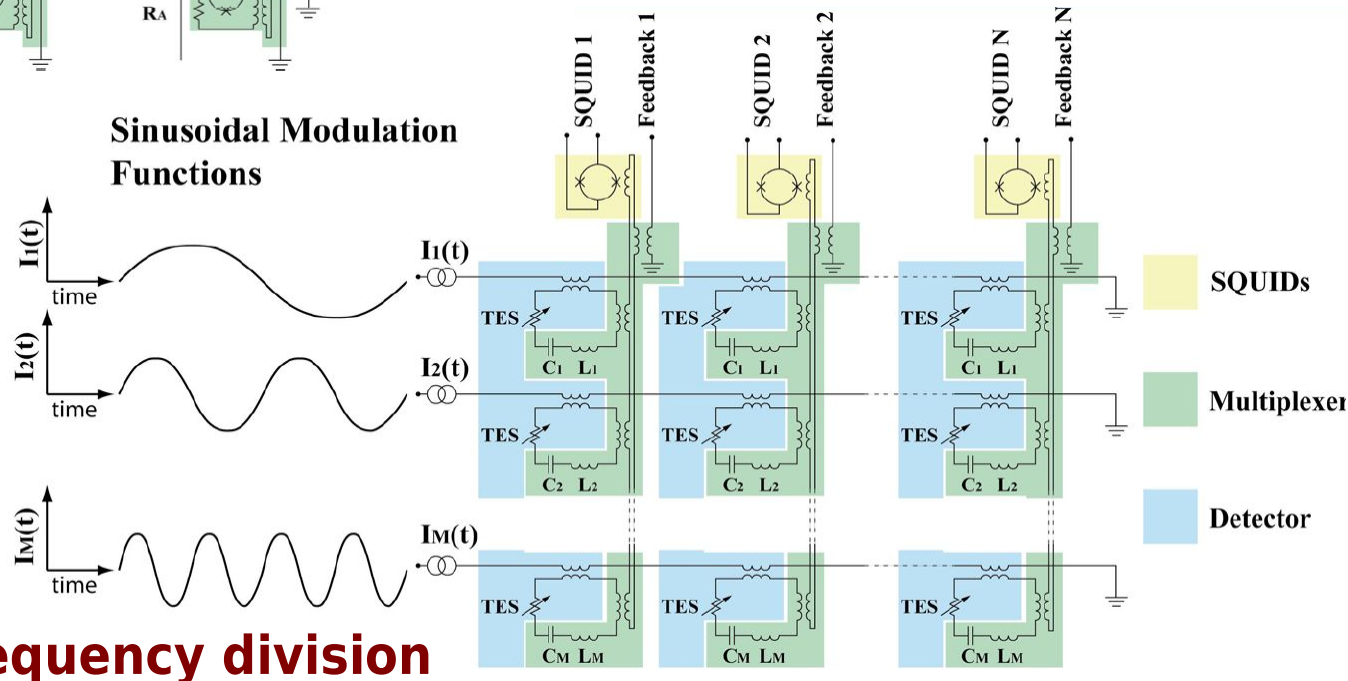
column outputs



32 inputs

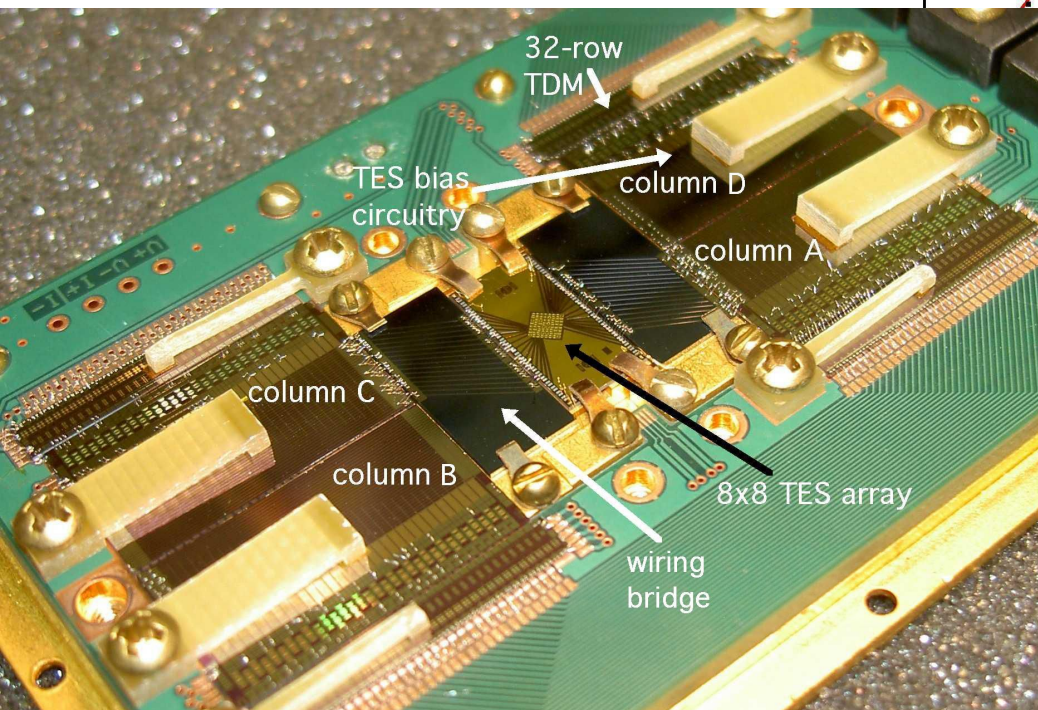
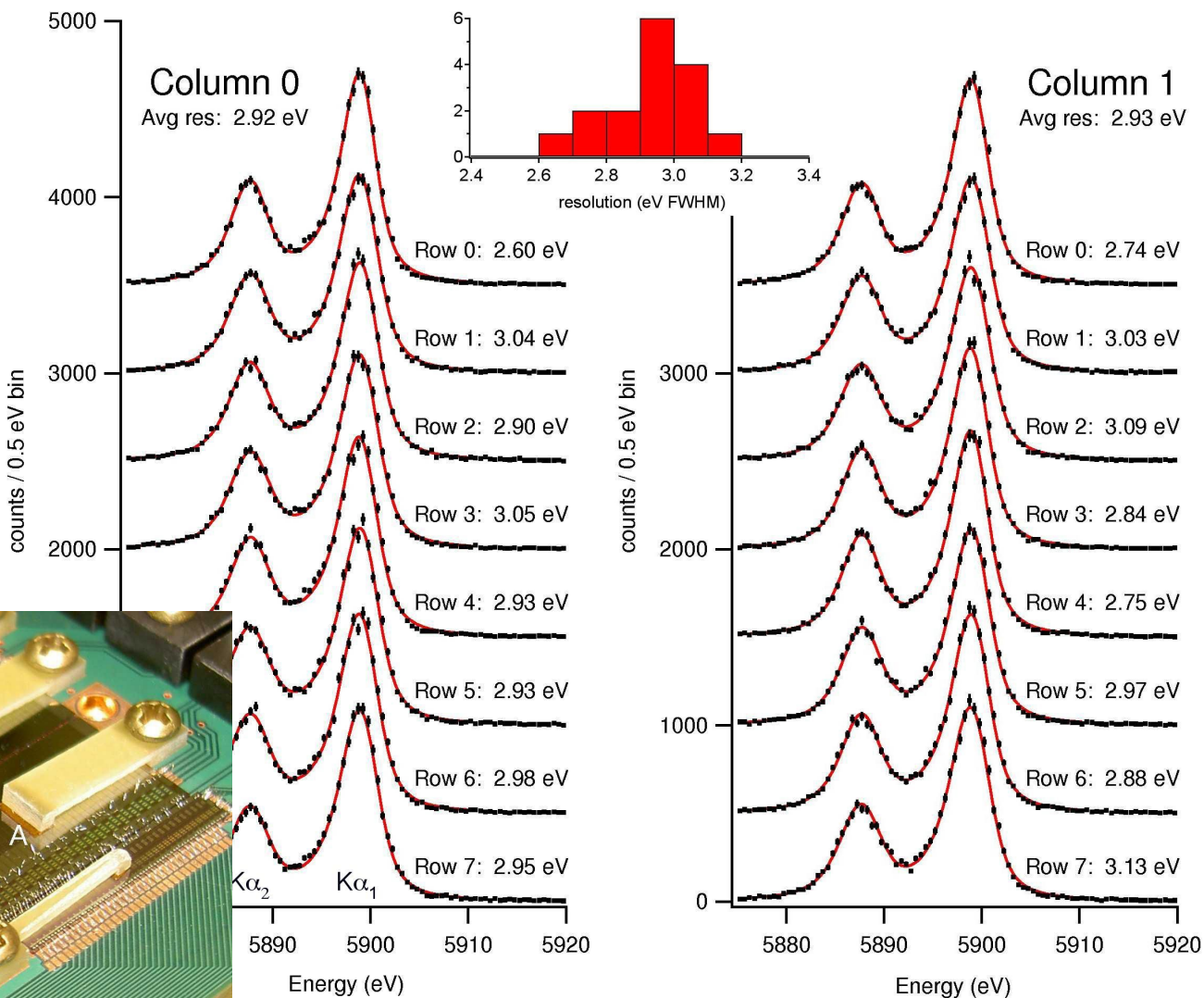
**$N \times N$  array**  
without *mux*  
 $N \times N$  readout channels  
with *mux*  
 $N$  addresses +  $N$  outputs

## Sinusoidal Modulation Functions



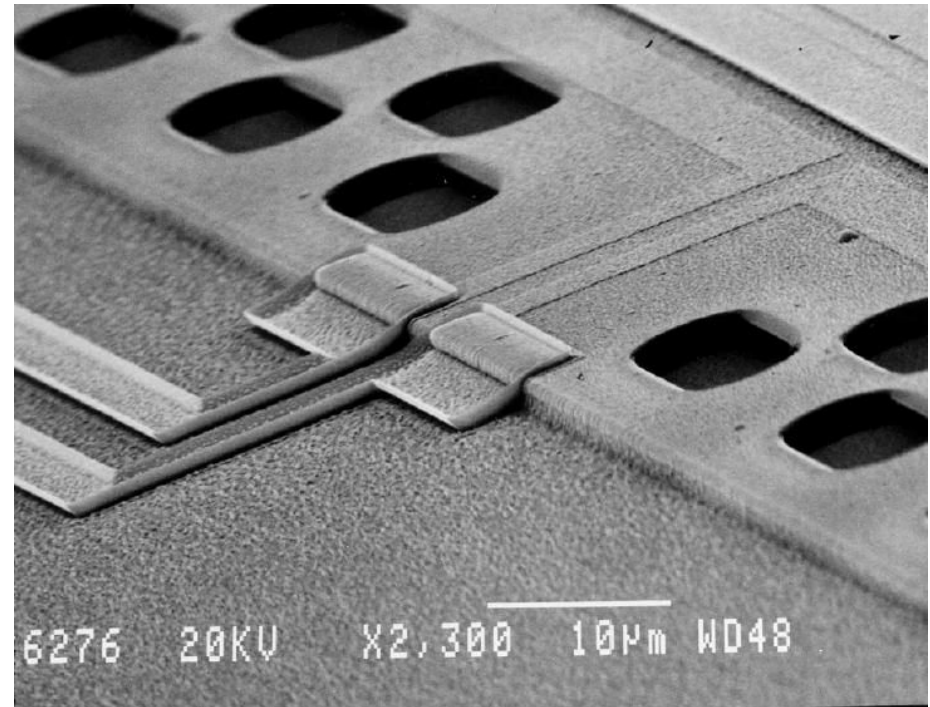
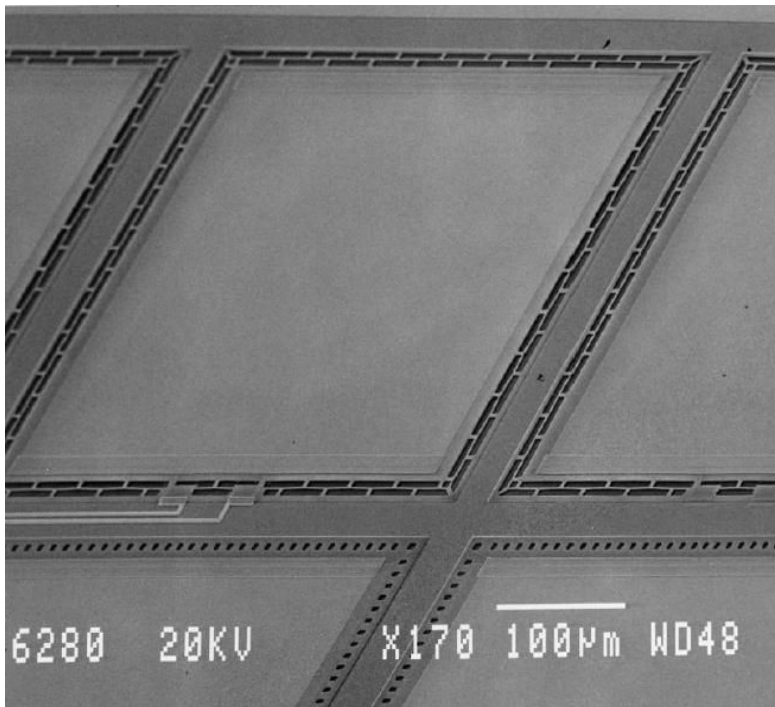
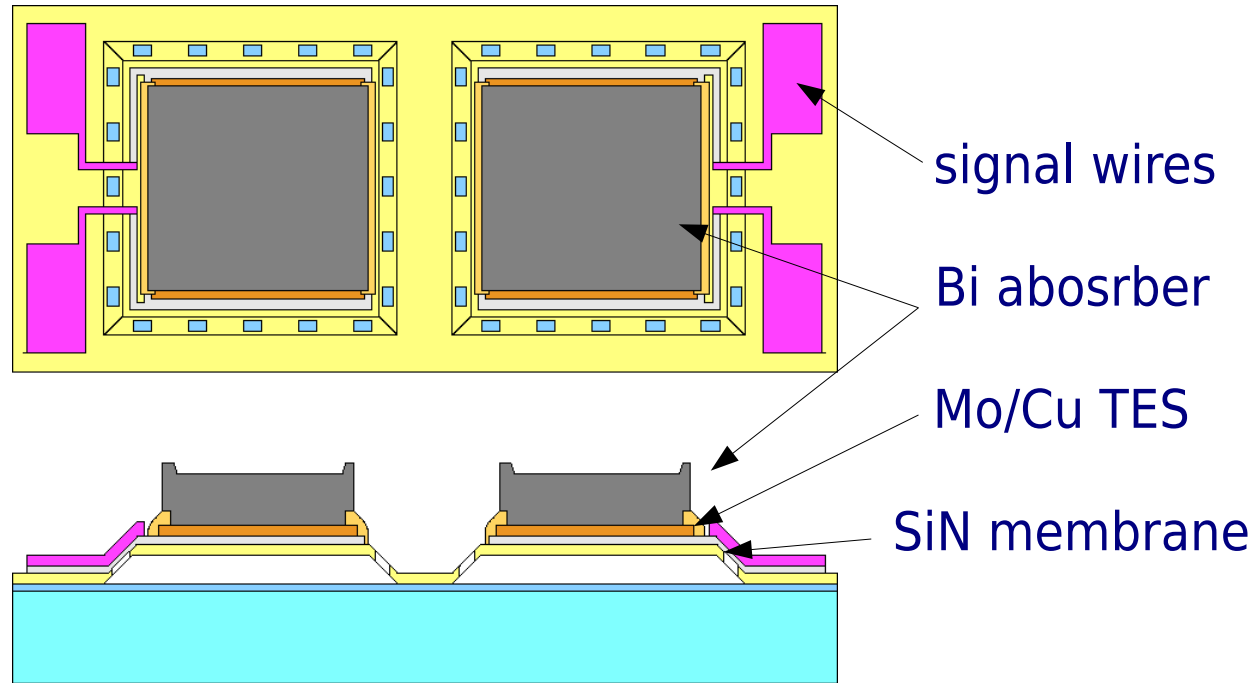
## frequency division

# TDM array multiplexing

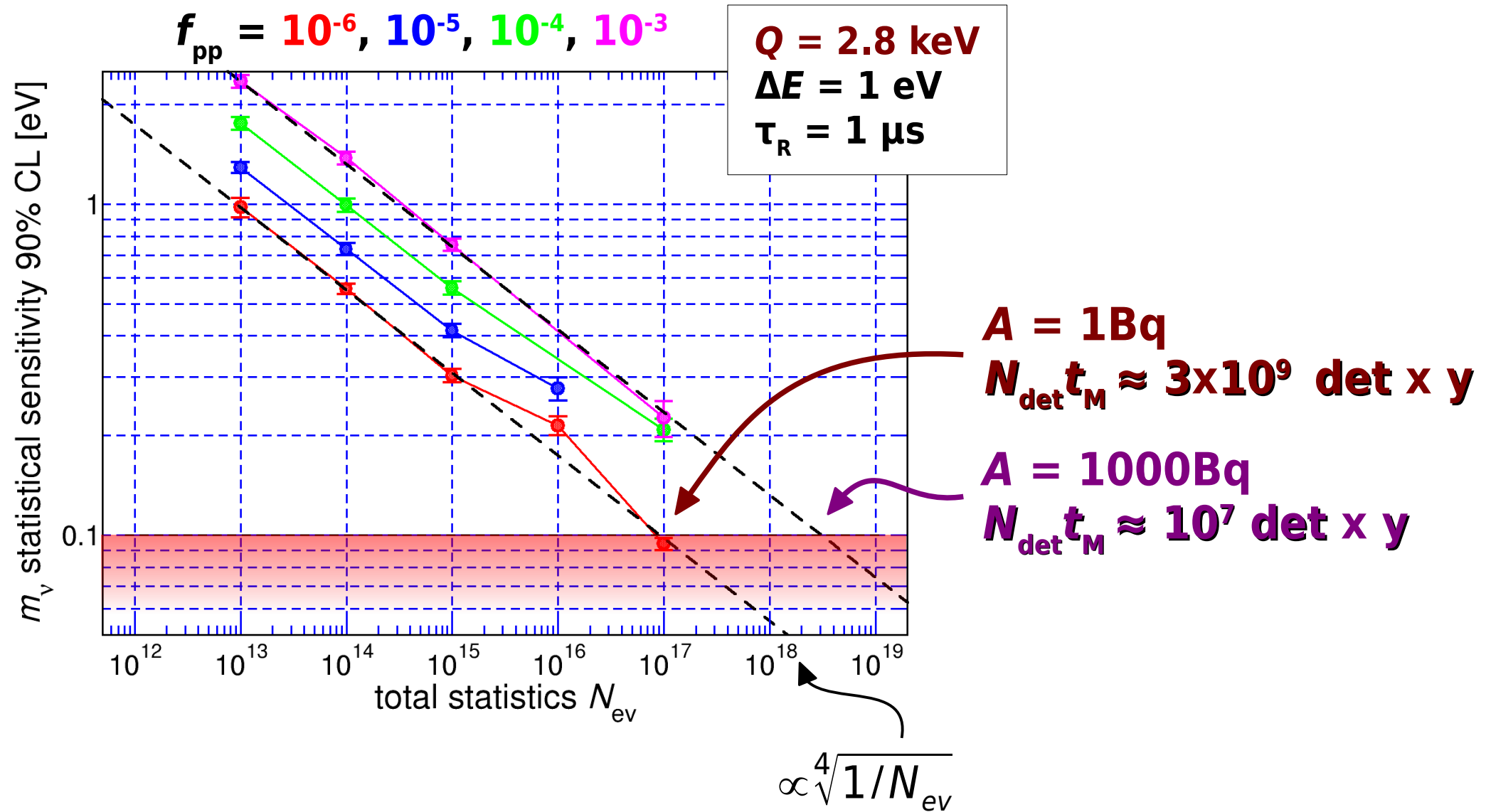




# Micromachined TES arrays / 1



# Statistical sensitivity: Montecarlo simulations / 2

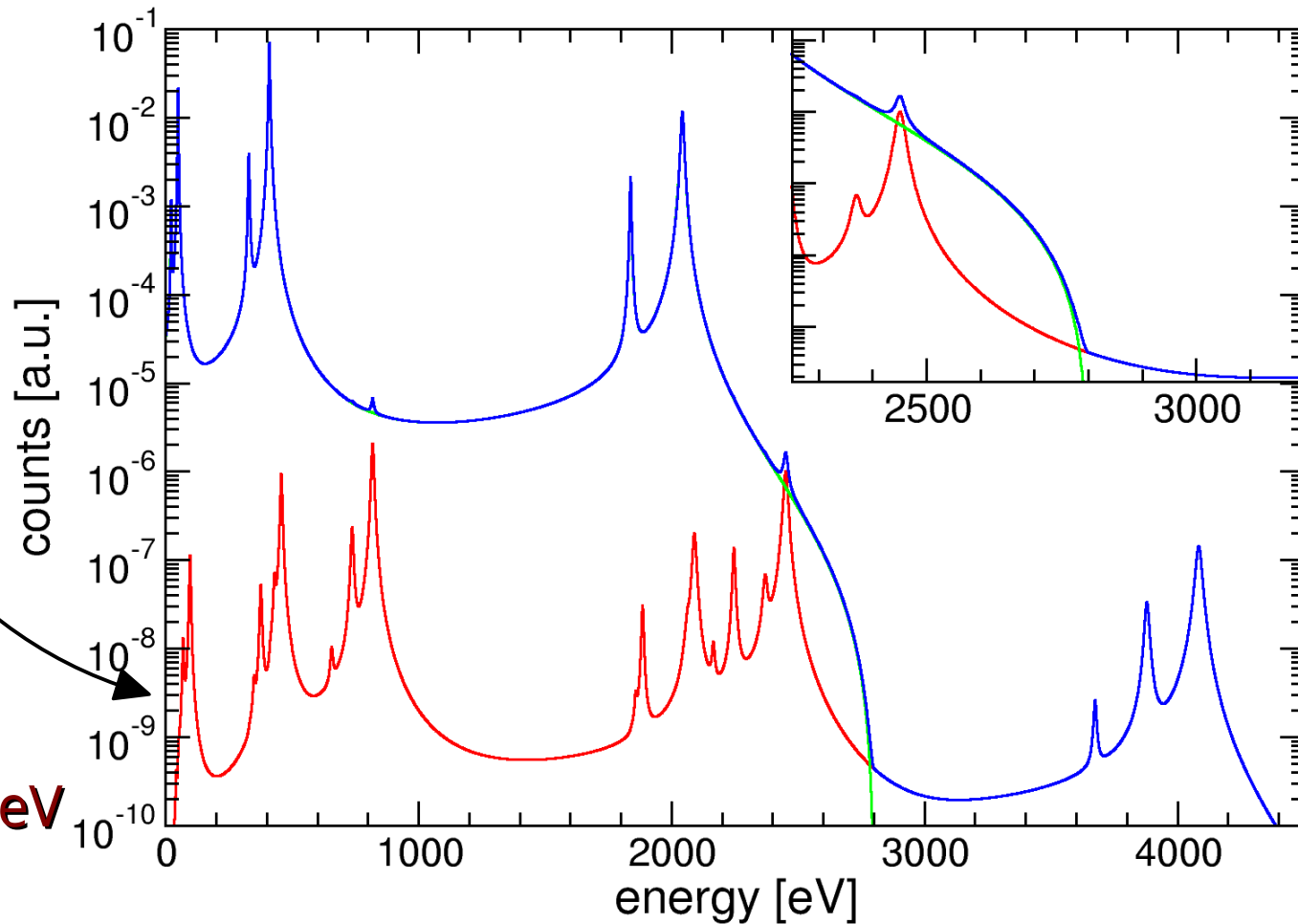


# Electron capture end-point experiment / 2

- no direct calorimetric measurement of  $Q$  (end-point) so far
- complex pile-up spectrum

▶  $N_{pp}(E) = f_{pp} N_{EC}(E) \otimes N_{EC}(E)$  with  $f_{pp} \approx A_{EC} \tau_R$

$A_{EC}$  EC activity per detector  
 $\tau_R$  time resolution ( $\approx$  rise time)



$Q = 2800 \text{ eV}$   
 $f_{pp} = 10^{-4}$

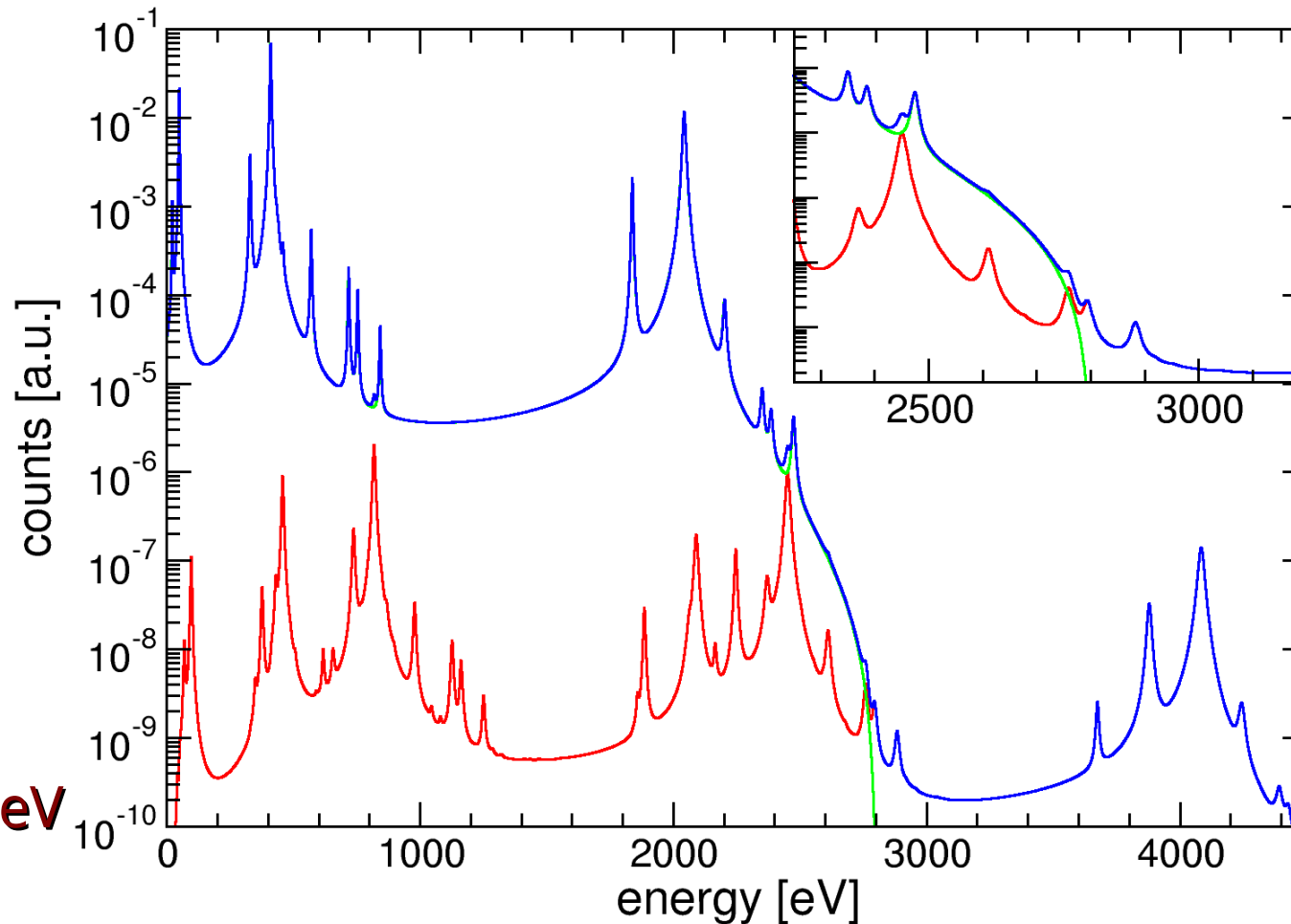
# Electron capture end-point experiment / 3

- shake-up/shake-off → double hole excitations
  - ▶  $n$ -hole excitations possible but less probable
  - ▶ authors do not fully agree on energies and probabilities
- even more complex pile-up spectrum
  - ▶ it may be worth keeping  $f_{pp}$  smaller than  $10^{-4}$

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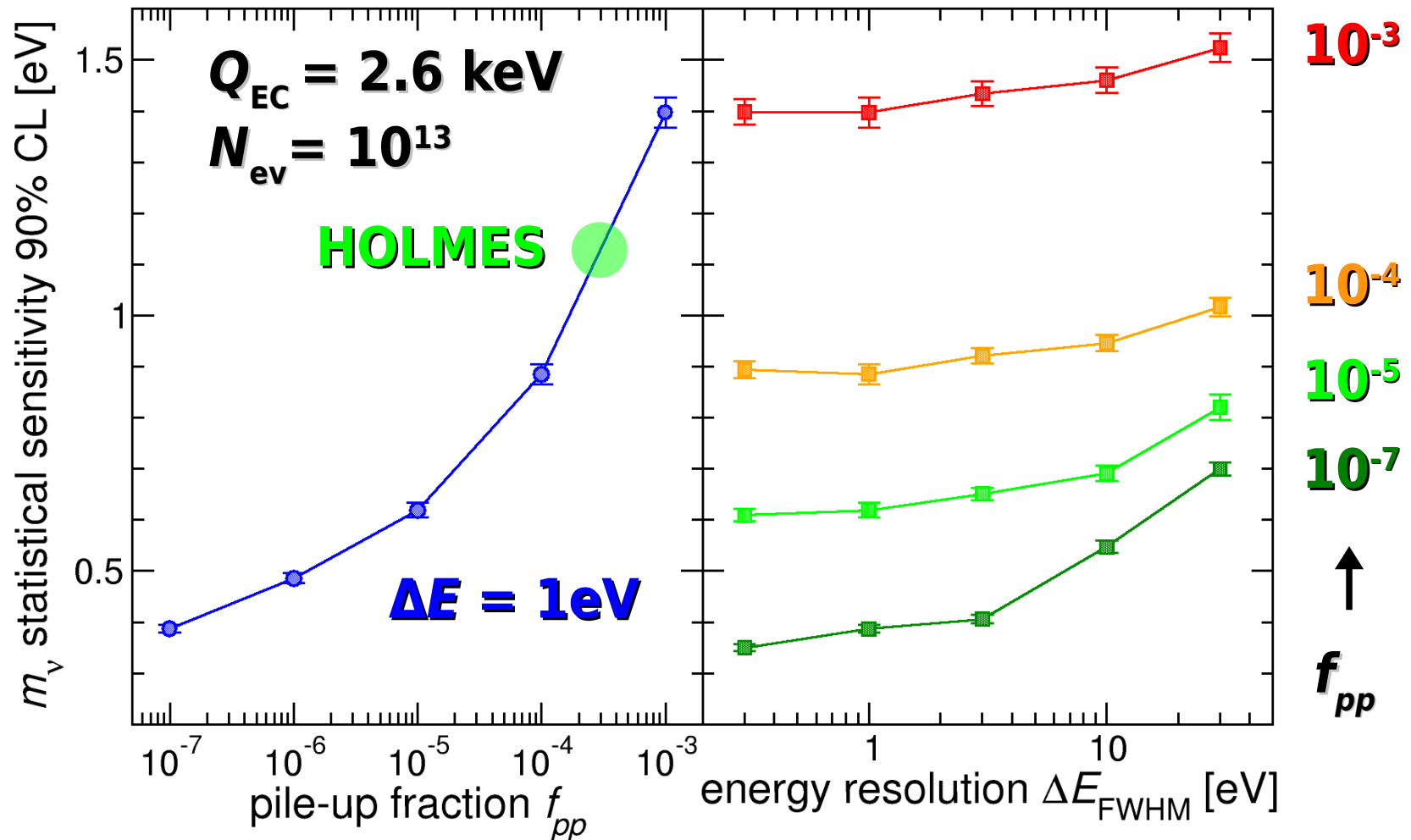


# HOLMES design: more MC simulations...

## Statistical sensitivity $\Sigma(m_\nu)$ dependencies from MC simulations

- **strong** on statistics  $N_{\text{ev}} = A_{\text{EC}} N_{\text{det}} t_M$ :  $\Sigma(m_\nu) \propto N_{\text{ev}}^{1/4}$
- **strong** on rise time pile-up (probability  $f_{pp} \approx A_{\text{EC}} \tau_R$ )
- **weak** on energy resolution  $\Delta E$

$t_M$  measuring time  
 $N_{\text{det}}$  number of detectors  
 $A_{\text{EC}}$  EC activity per detector  
 $\tau_R$  time resolution ( $\approx$ rise time)

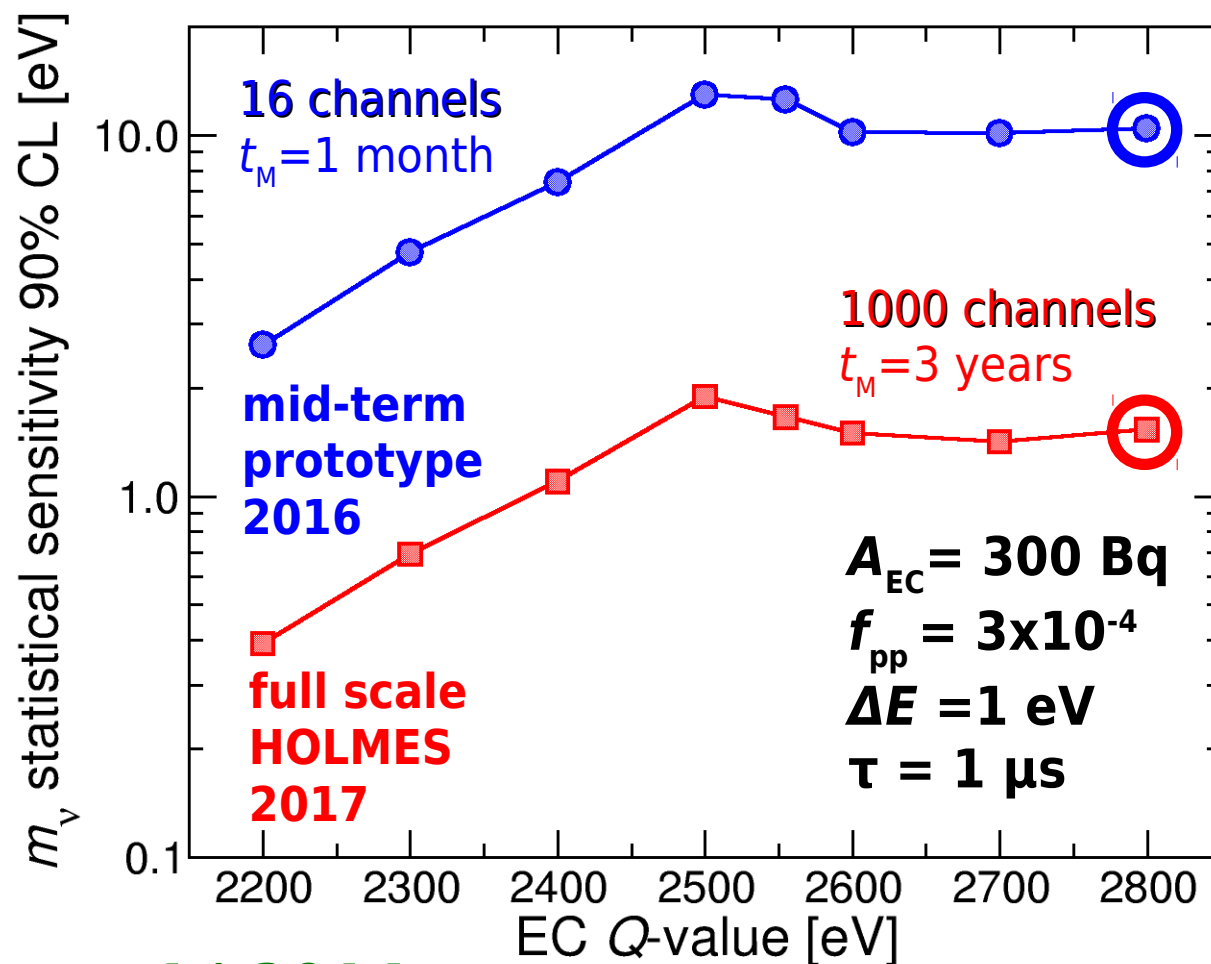


## goal

- neutrino mass measurement:  $m_\nu$  statistical sensitivity as low as 0.4 eV
- prove technique potential and scalability:
  - ▶ assess EC Q-value
  - ▶ assess systematic errors

## baseline

- TES with implanted  $^{163}\text{Ho}$ 
  - ▶  $6.5 \times 10^{13}$  nuclei per pixel
  - 300 dec/sec
  - ▶  $\Delta E \approx 1\text{eV}$  and  $\tau_R \approx 1\mu\text{s}$
- 1000 channel array
  - ▶  $6.5 \times 10^{16}$   $^{163}\text{Ho}$  nuclei
  - $\approx 18\mu\text{g}$
  - ▶  $3 \times 10^{13}$  events in 3 years

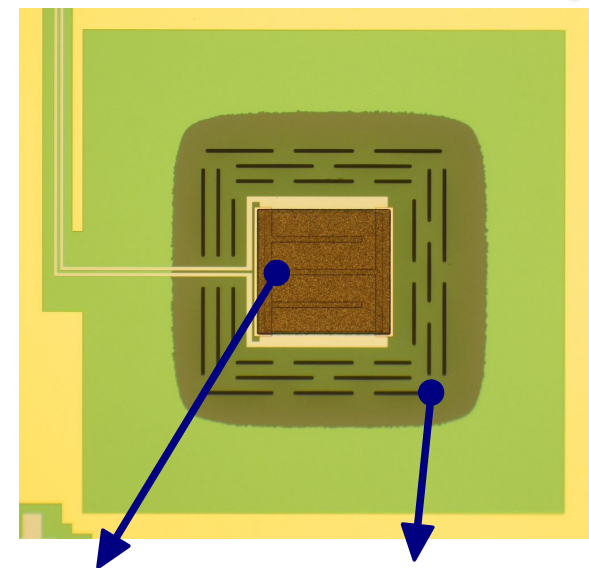


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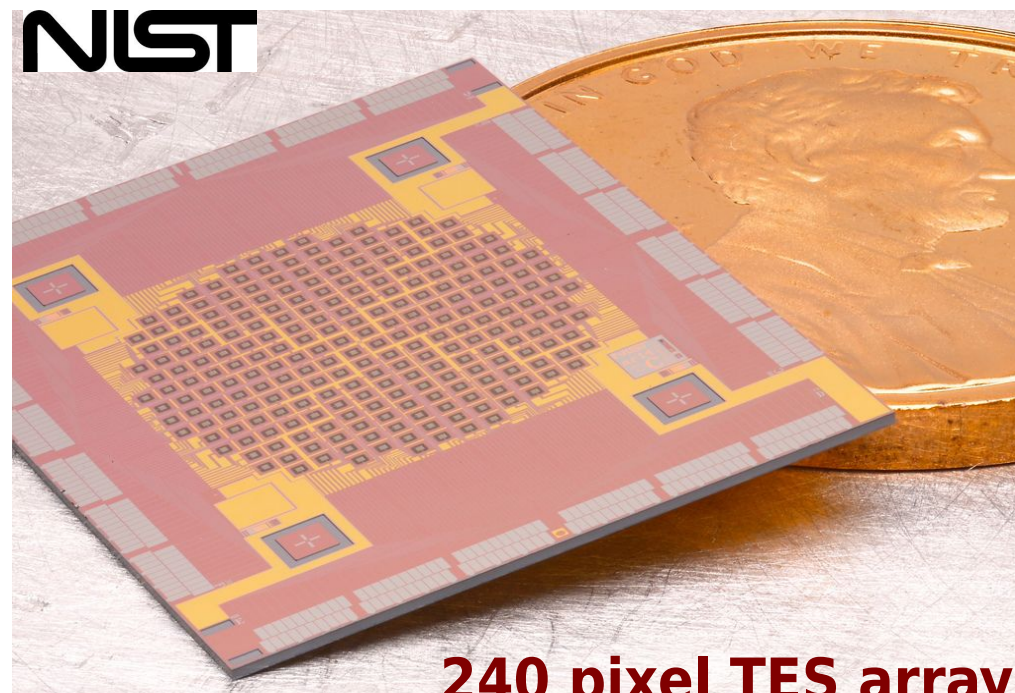
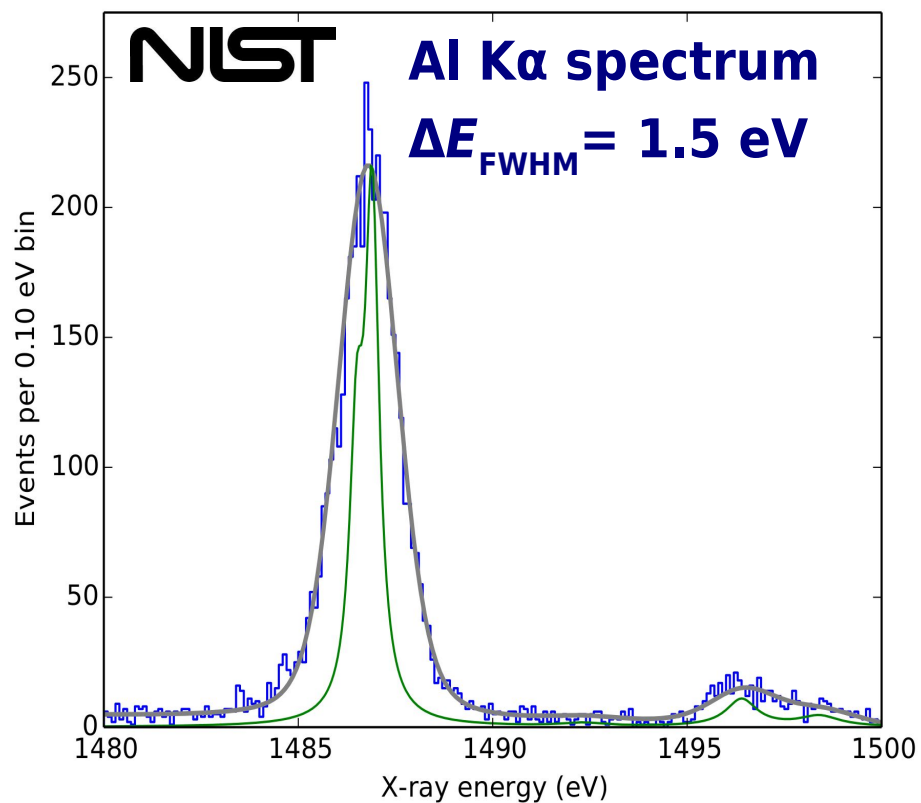
# HOLMES detectors



- Transition Edge Sensors (TES) with Au absorber
  - ▷ hot electron microcalorimeters with electro-thermal feedback
  - ▷ electrodeposited Au for full absorption
- MoAu or MoCu proximity TES →  $T_c \approx 100\text{mK}$
- on  $\text{Si}_2\text{N}_3$  membrane



TES with Au absorber membrane  $\text{Si}_2\text{N}_3$



**240 pixel TES array**

# KIDS multiplexing

