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Under the CRP on

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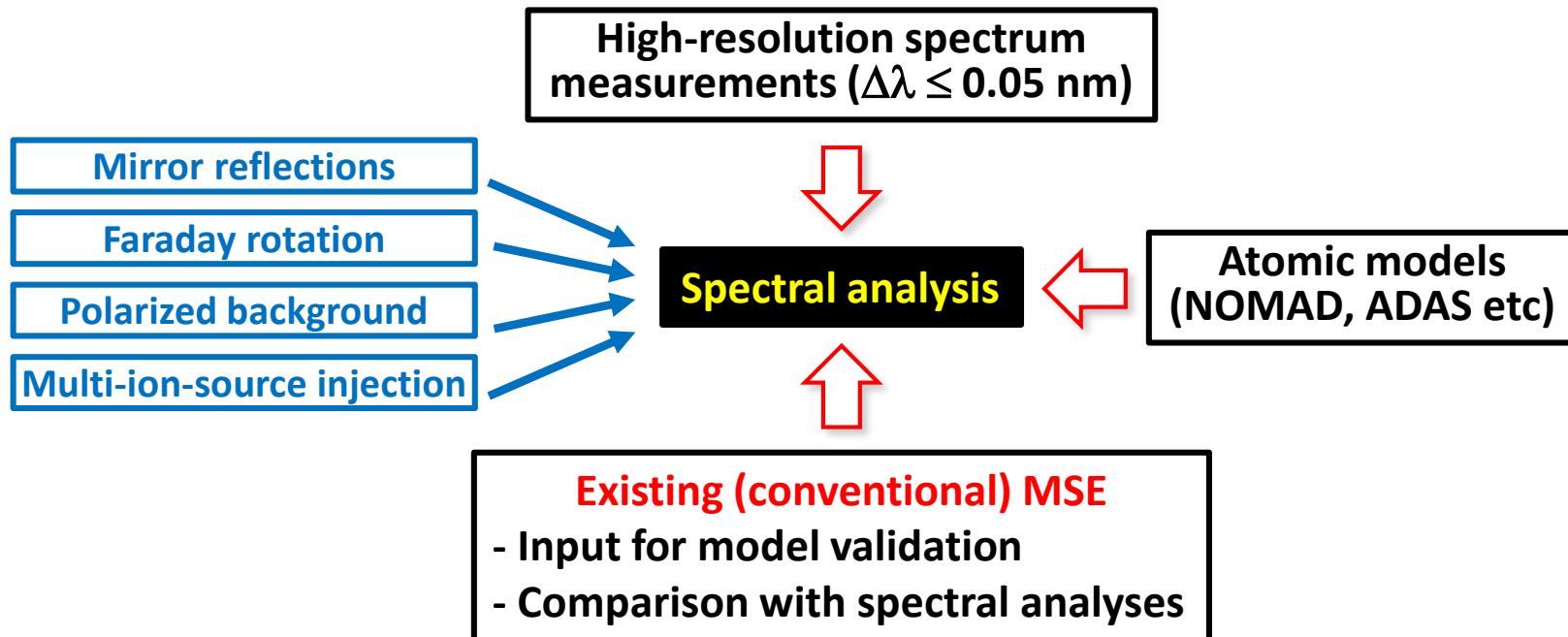
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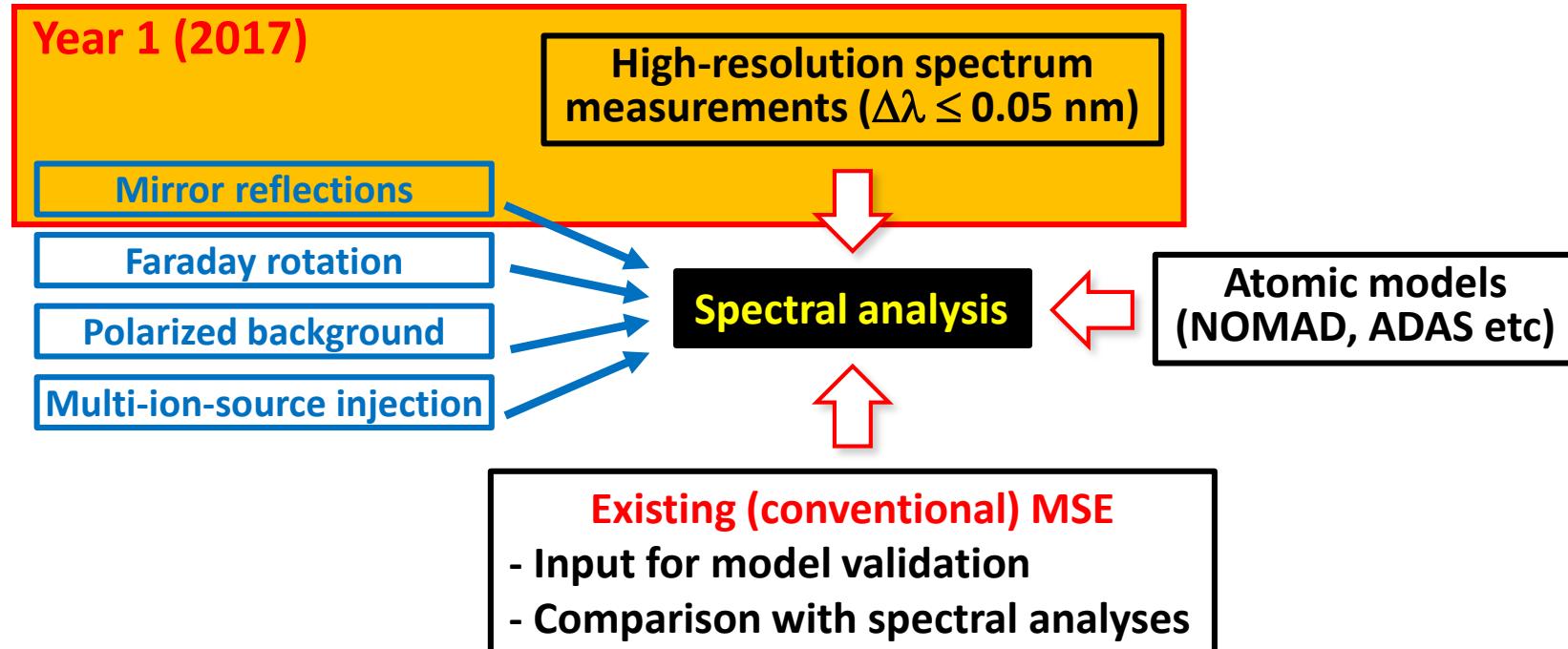
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- High-precision measurements of beam-emission spectra from KSTAR discharges
- Development of a spectra analysis tool with a modulated interface for atomic data

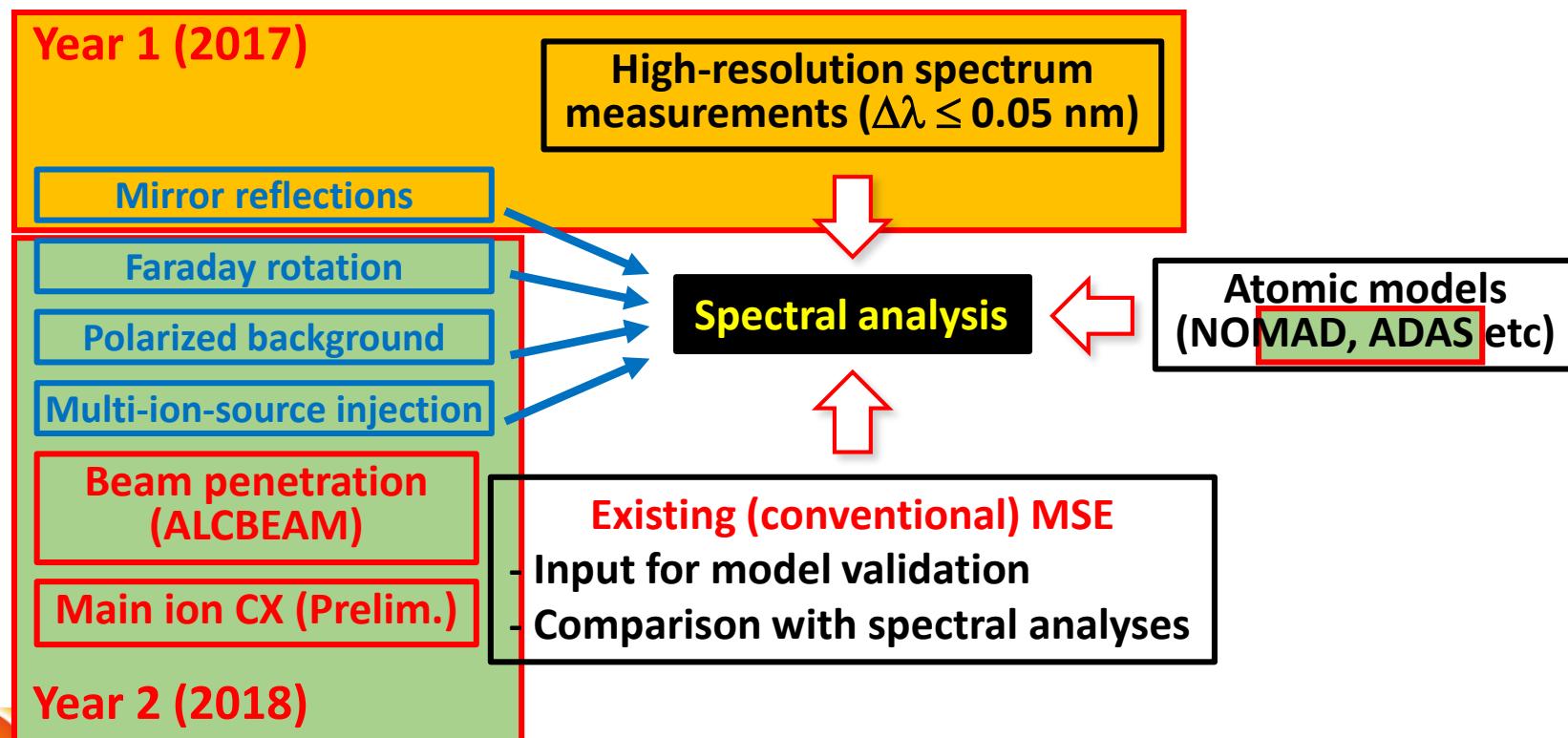
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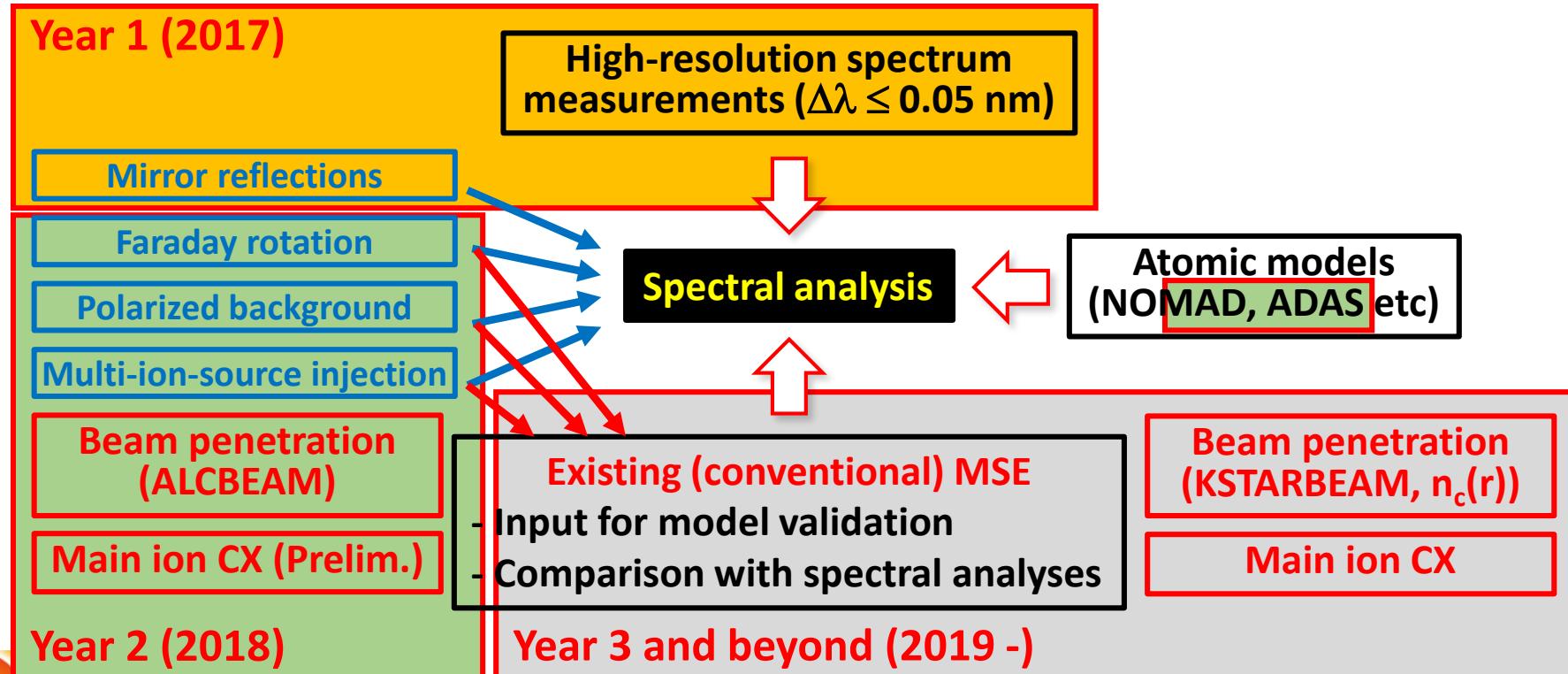
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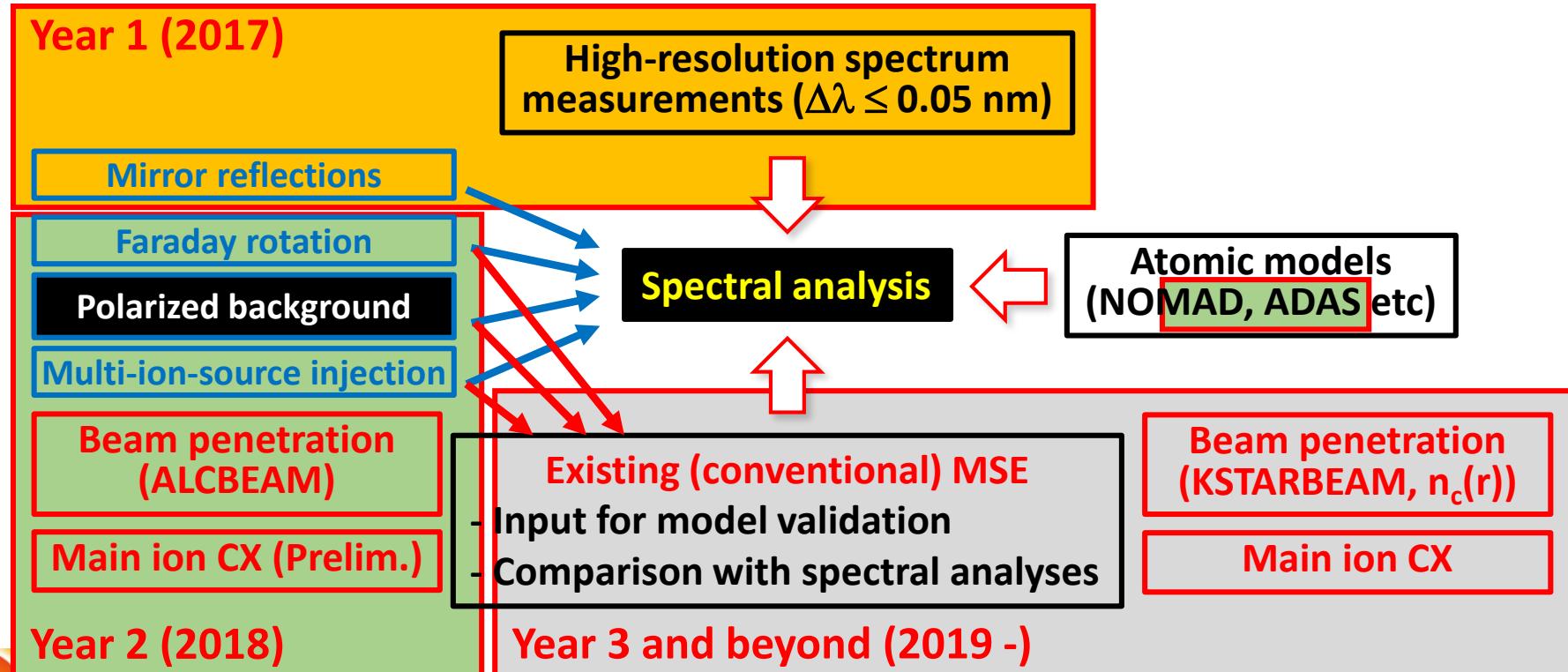
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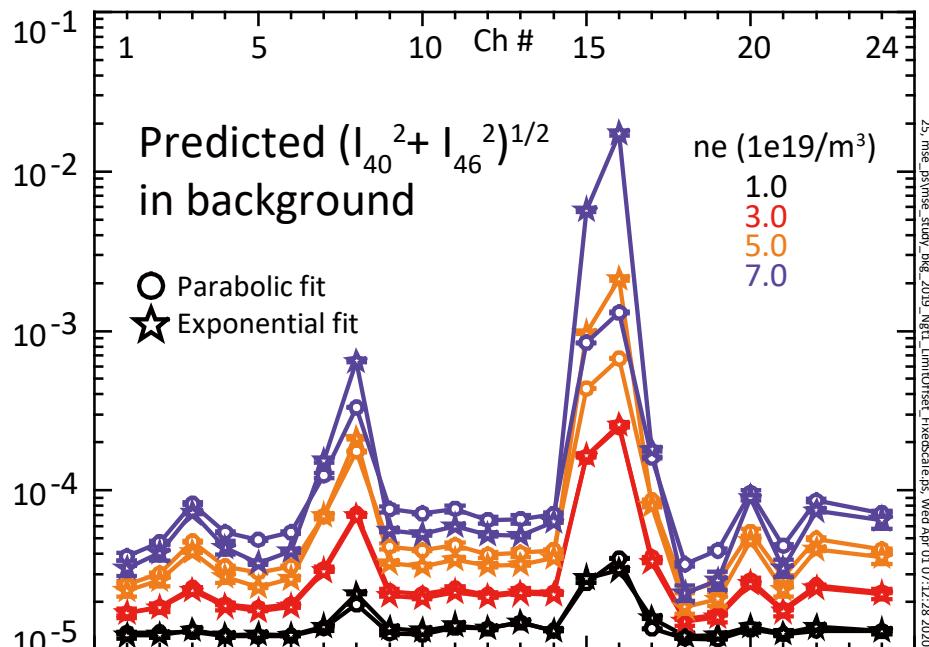
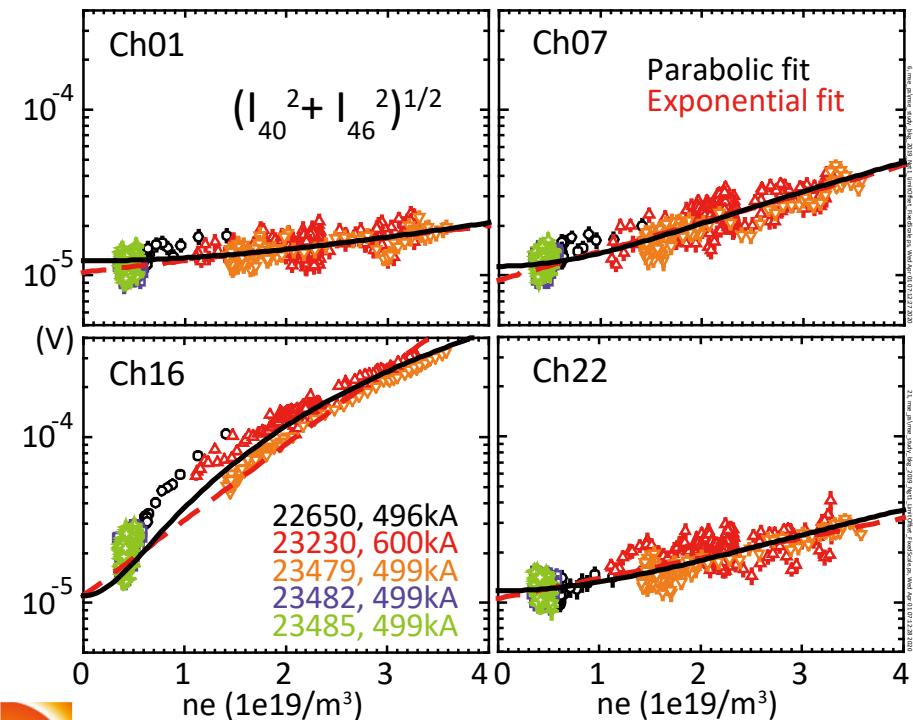
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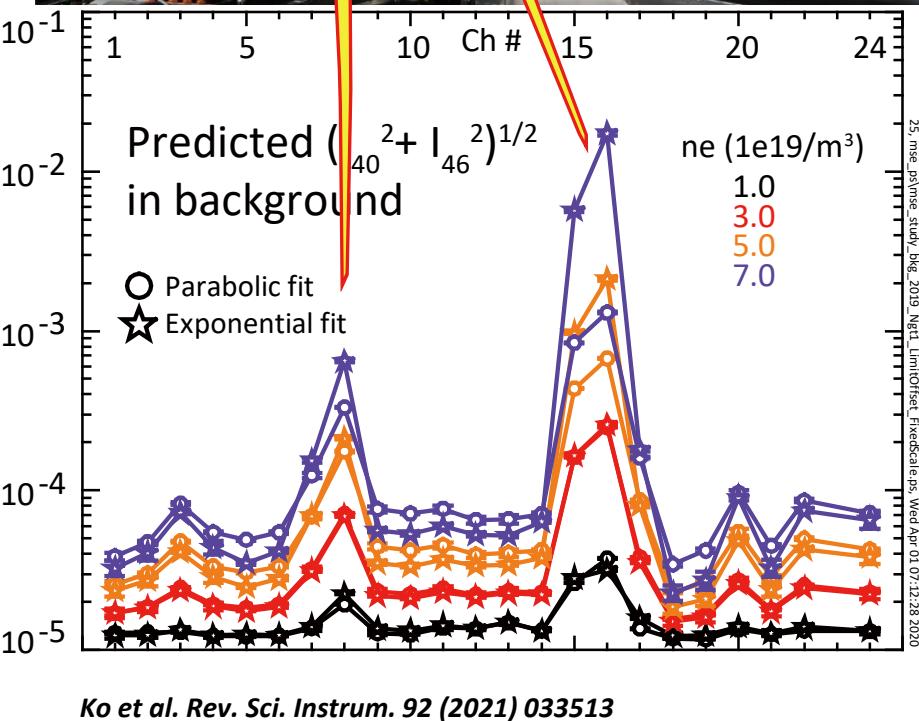
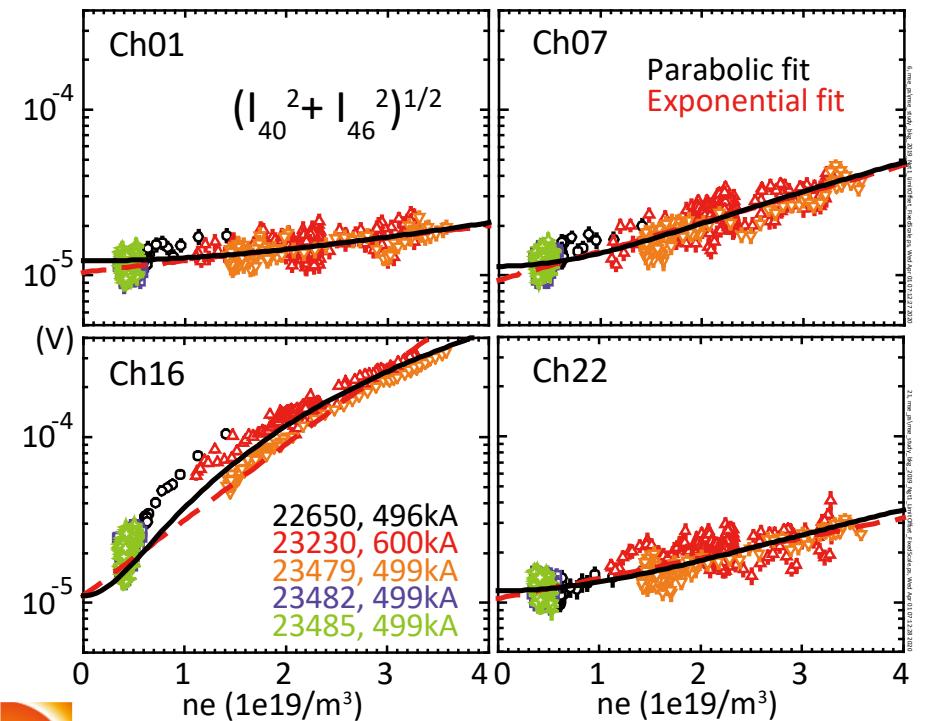
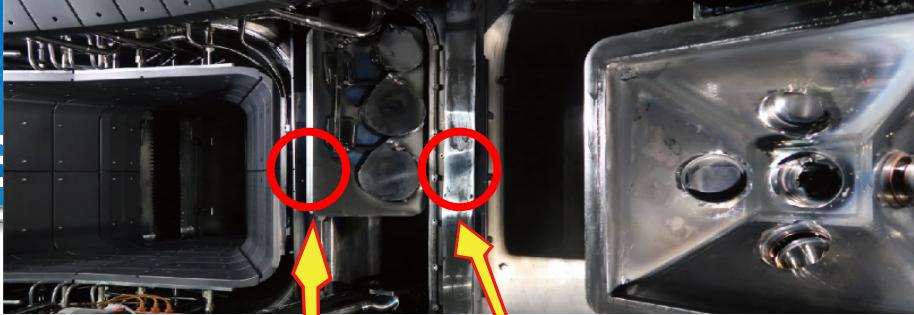
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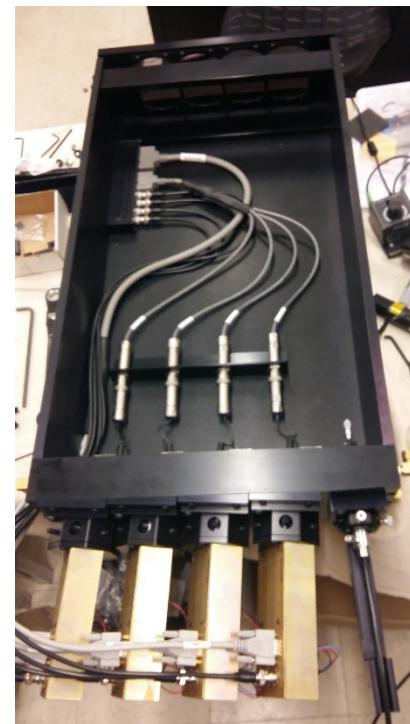
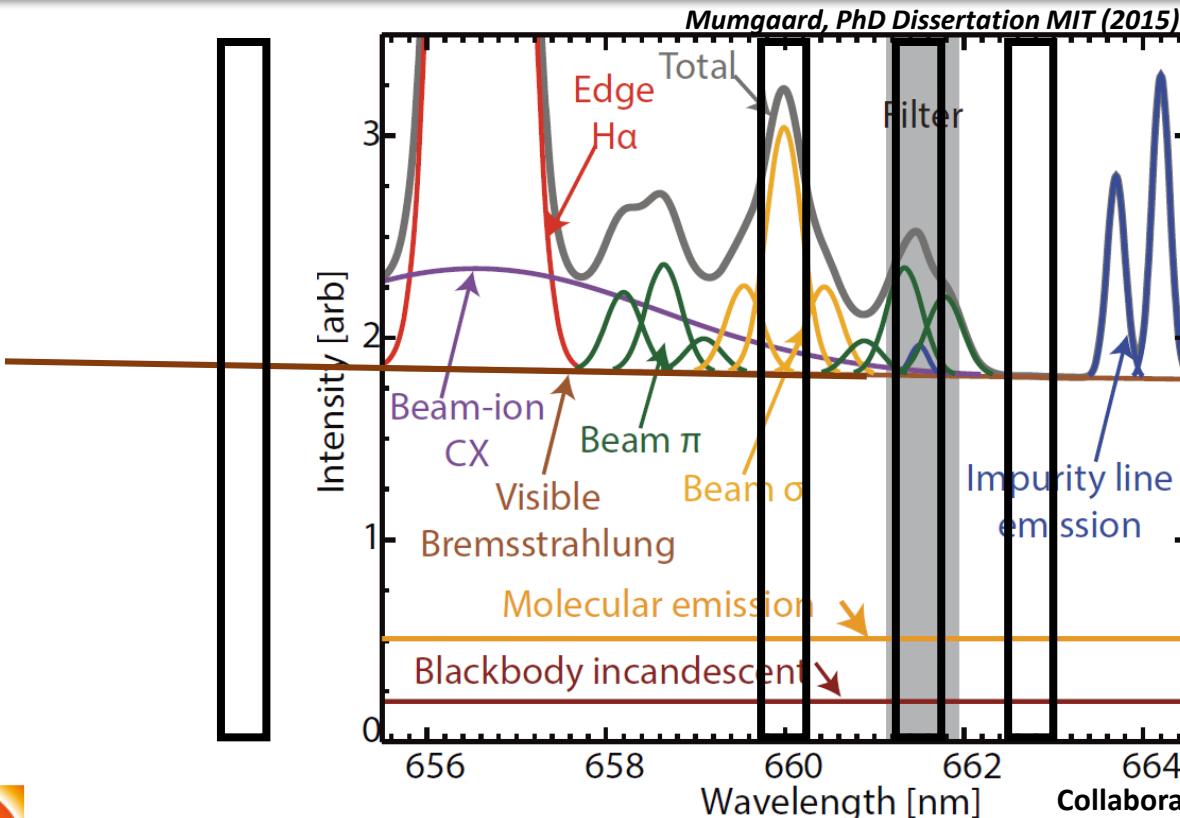


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Ko et al. Rev. Sci. Instrum. 92 (2021) 033513

# KSTAR now has an addition MSE system to simultaneously measure background



Collaboration under MIT/PPPL US DoE project

# Cross-check for both systems gives reasonable agreements



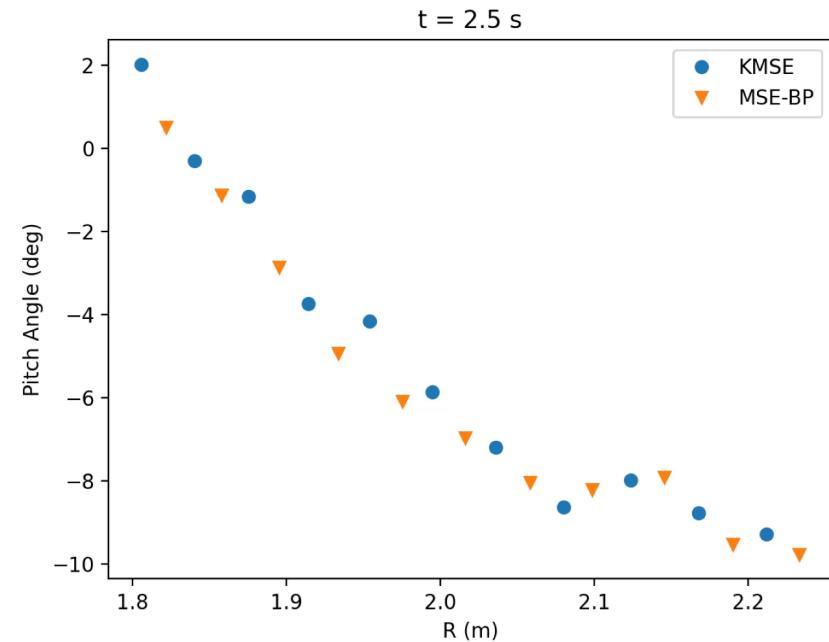
**KSTAR MSE**  
Single-detector type  
(Conventional)



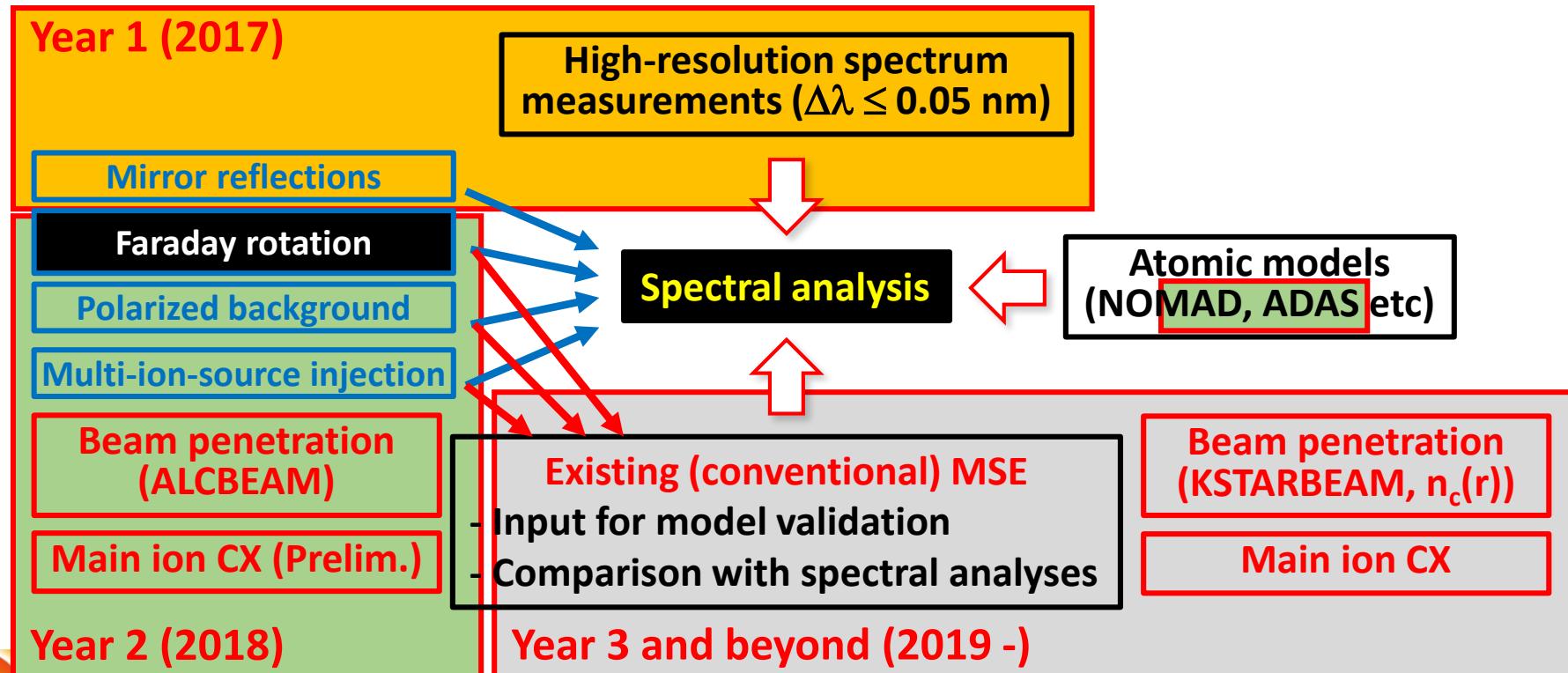
**MSE-Background polychrometer (BP)**



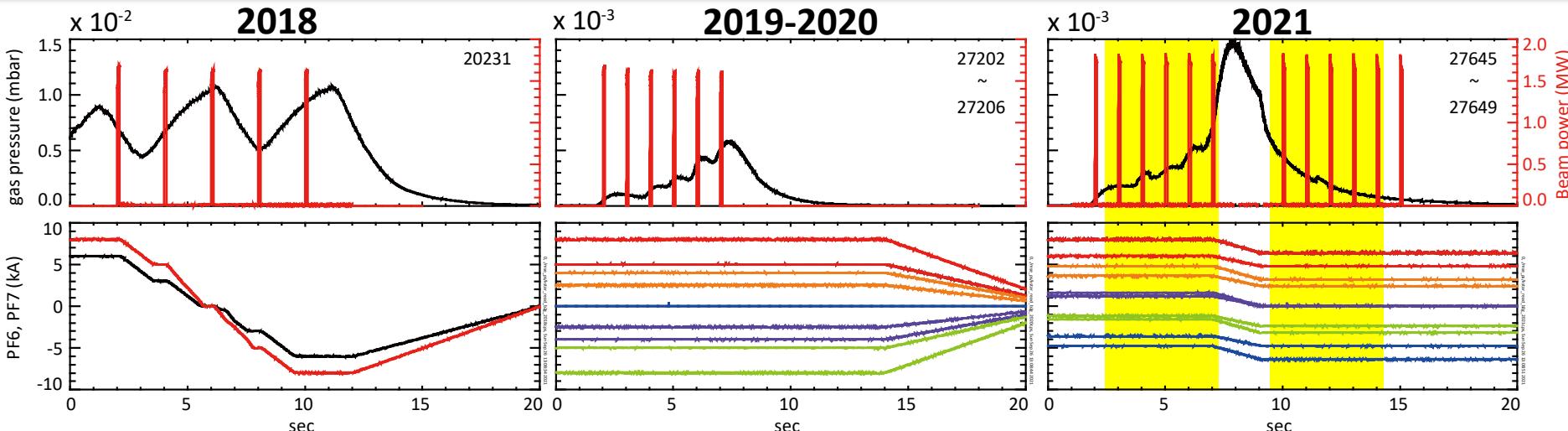
- Odd channel fibers to K-MSE
- Even channel fibers to MSE-BP



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# Beam-into-gas calibration that gets around the secondary neutral effects

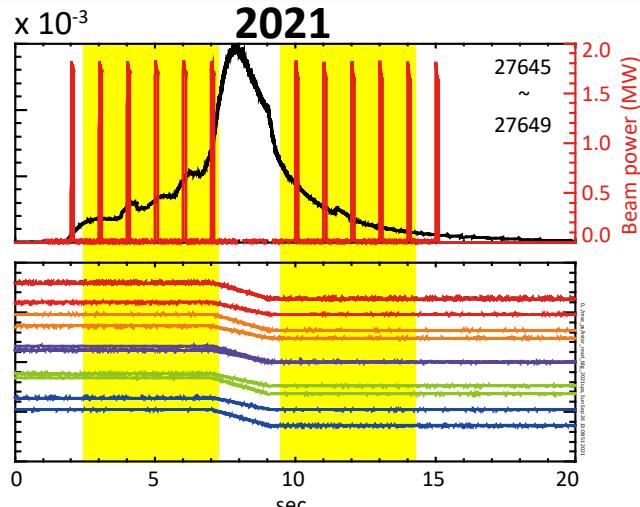
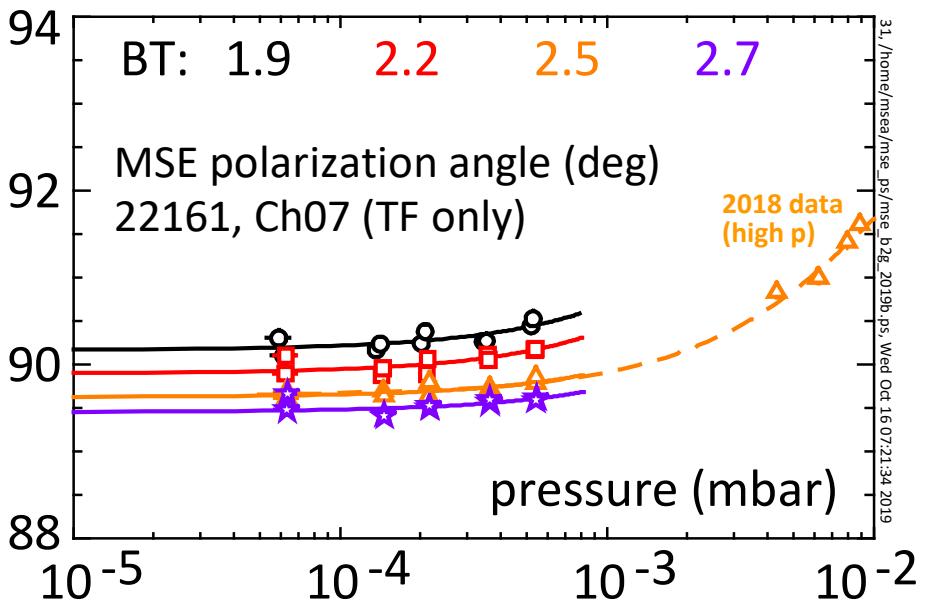


- Intra-shot pitch angle scan (vacuum field scan) without careful pressure control !).
- Suffered from spurious drift in the measured angle due to the secondary neutral emissions [Yuh et al. Rev. Sci. Instrum. 79 (2008) 10F523]
- This limit was addressed in the 2nd IAEA-CRP meeting.

- Intra-shot pressure scan at constant pitch angle profile (vacuum field profile).
- Did this at only a single vacuum-field profile in 2019 → not enough for calibration.
- Multiple vacuum-field profiles in 2020 → too much machine time (5 hrs per MSE).

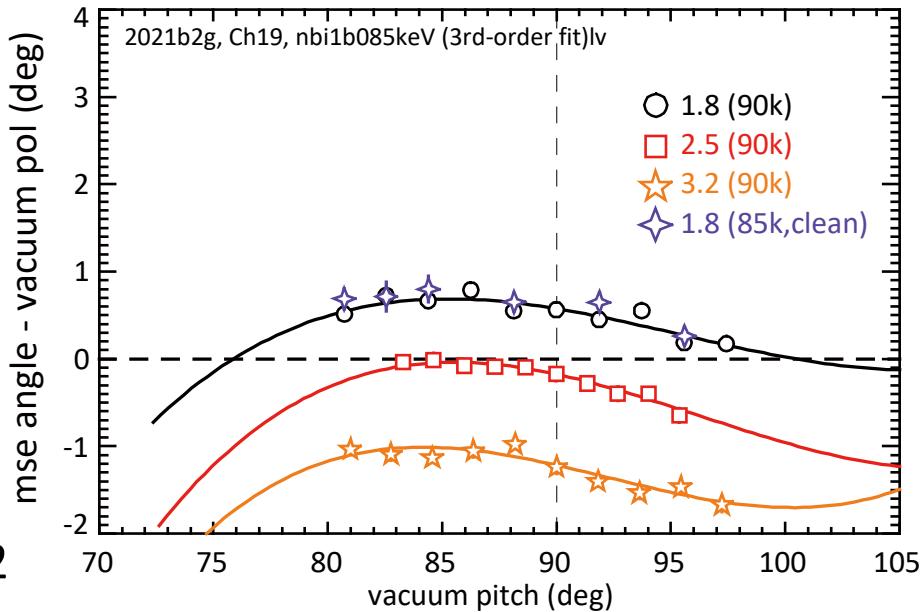
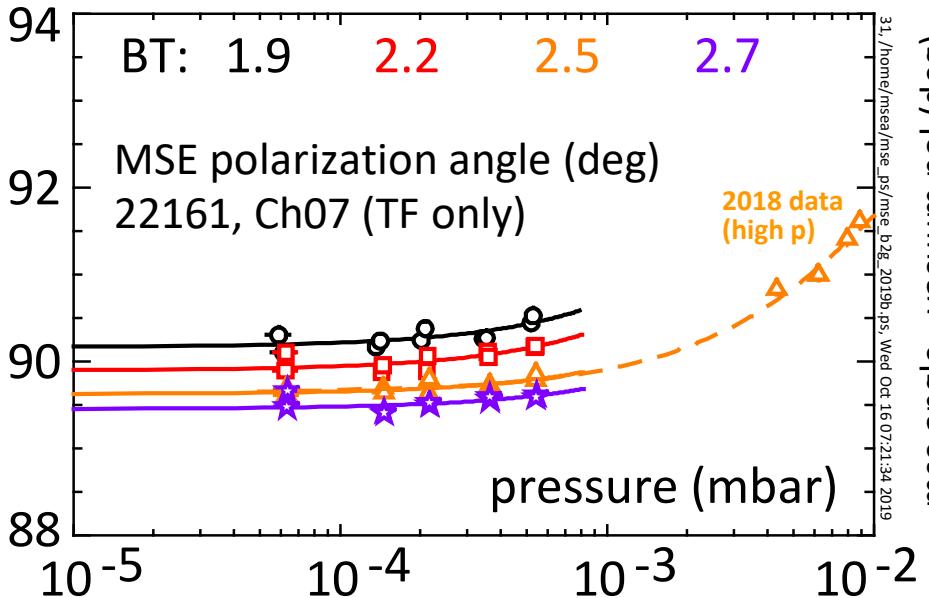
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# Pressure dependence (2ndary neutrals) is clearly demonstrated.

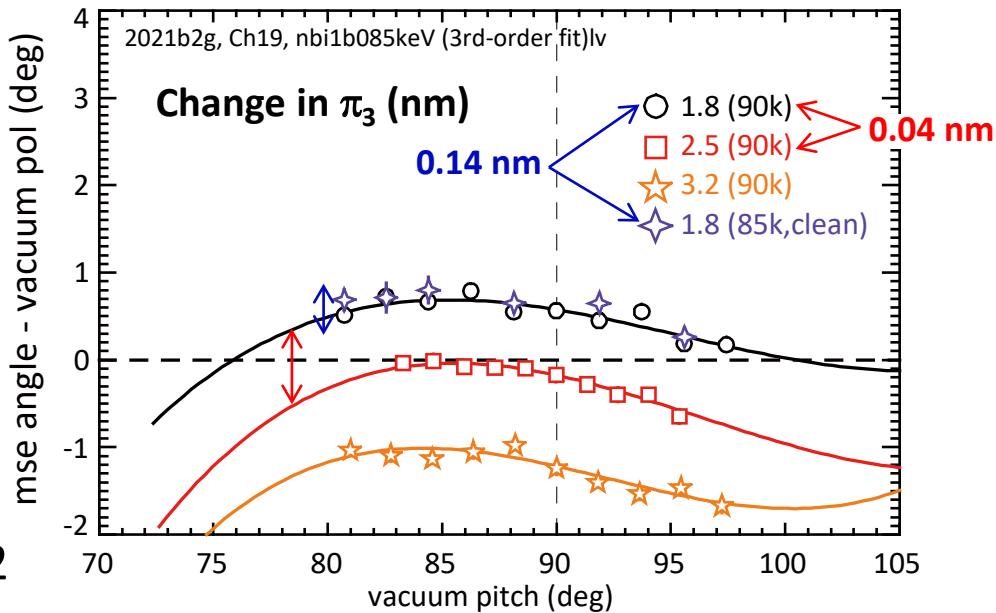
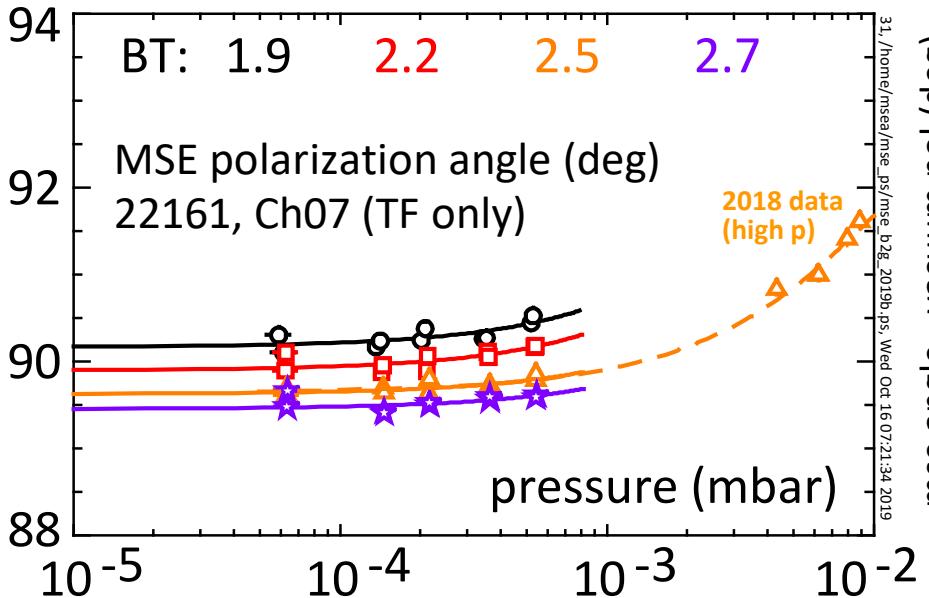


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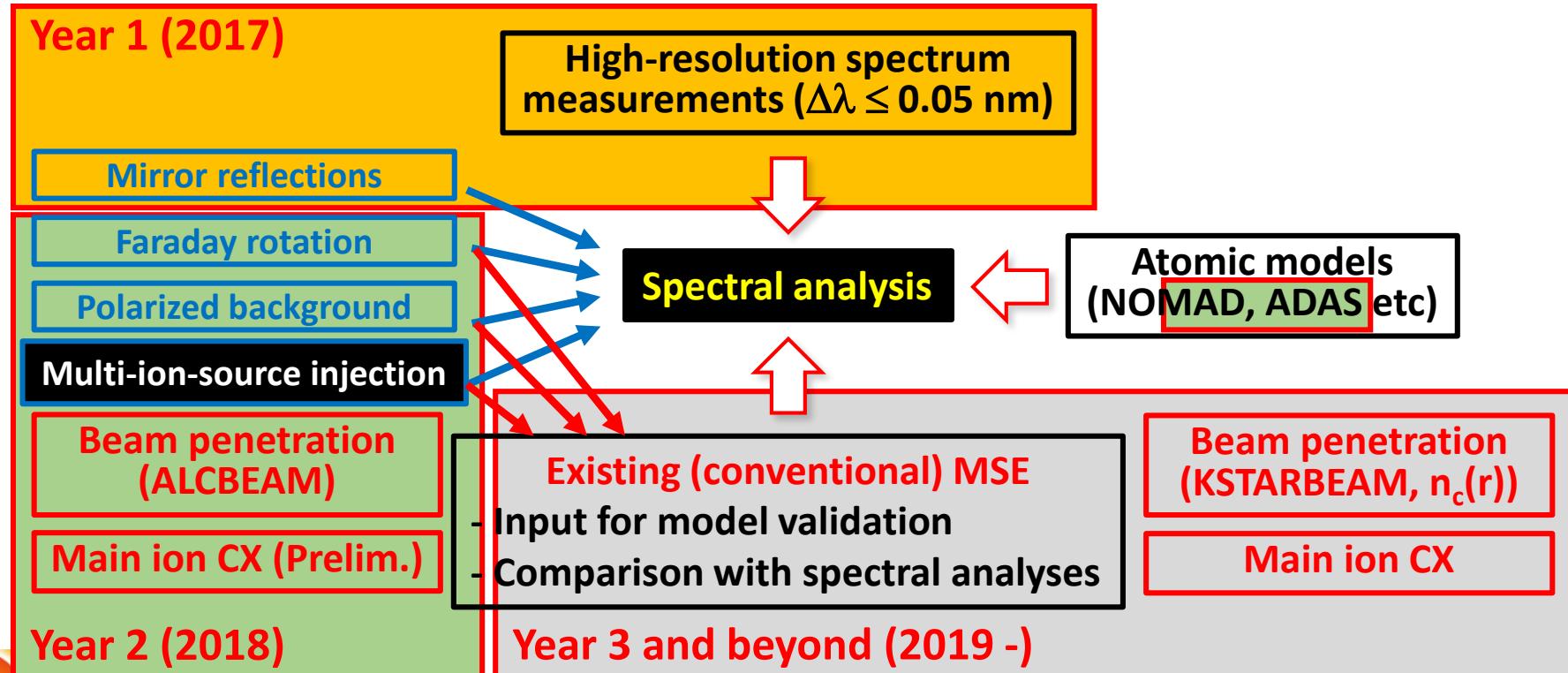
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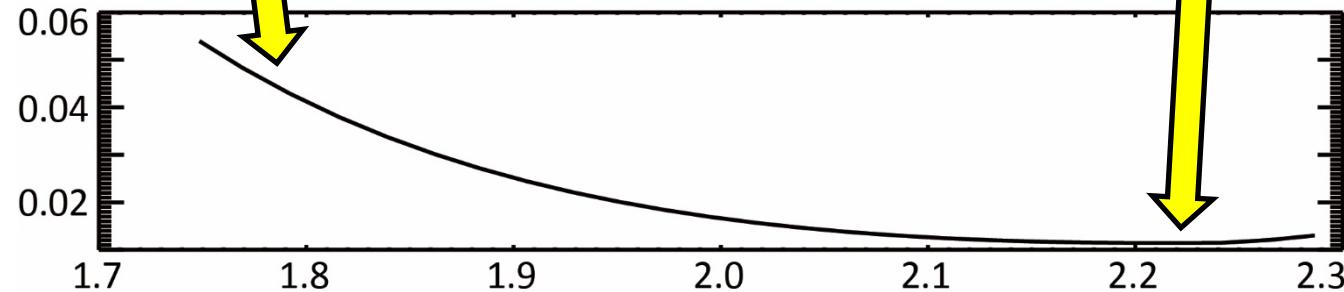
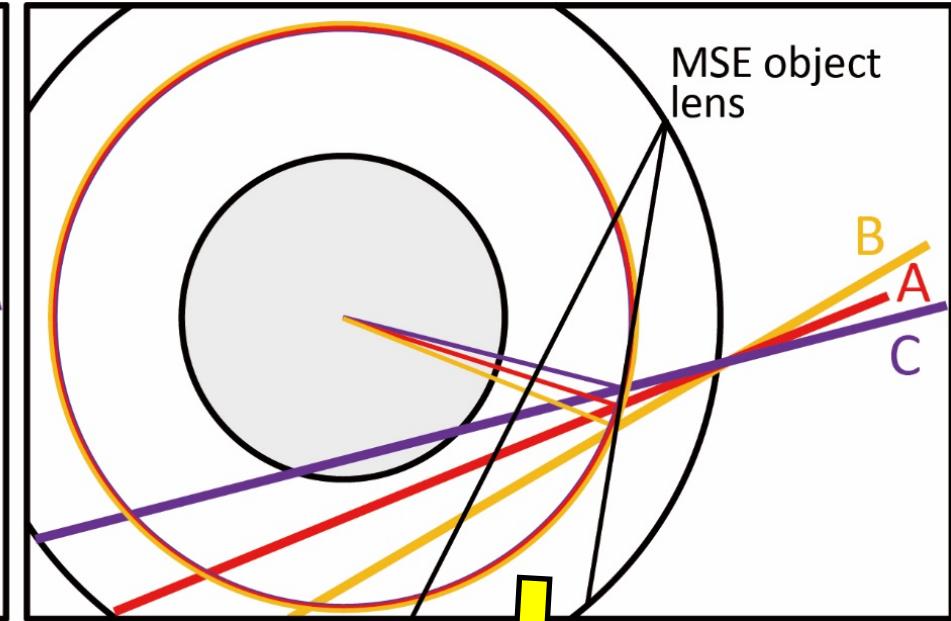
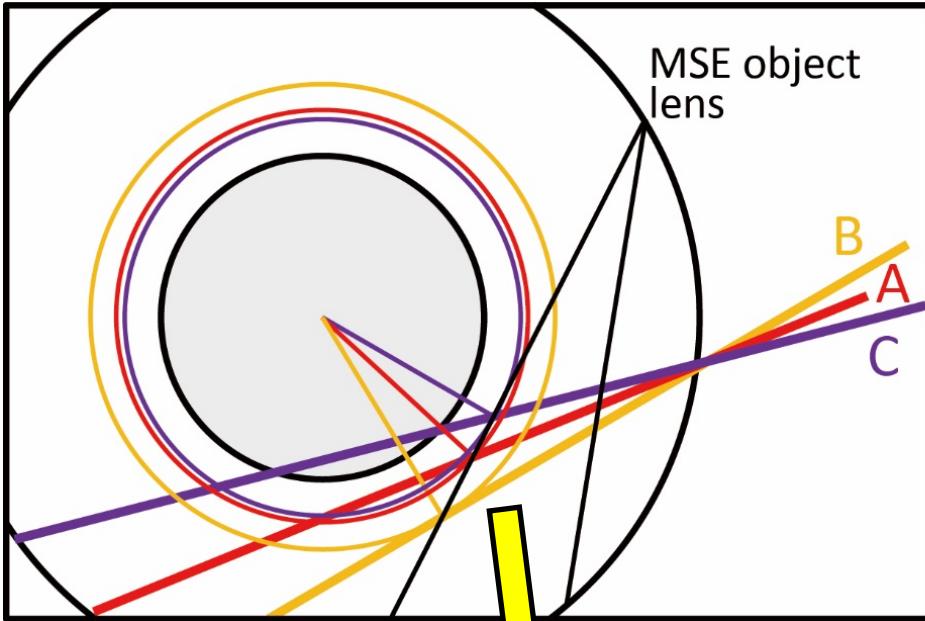


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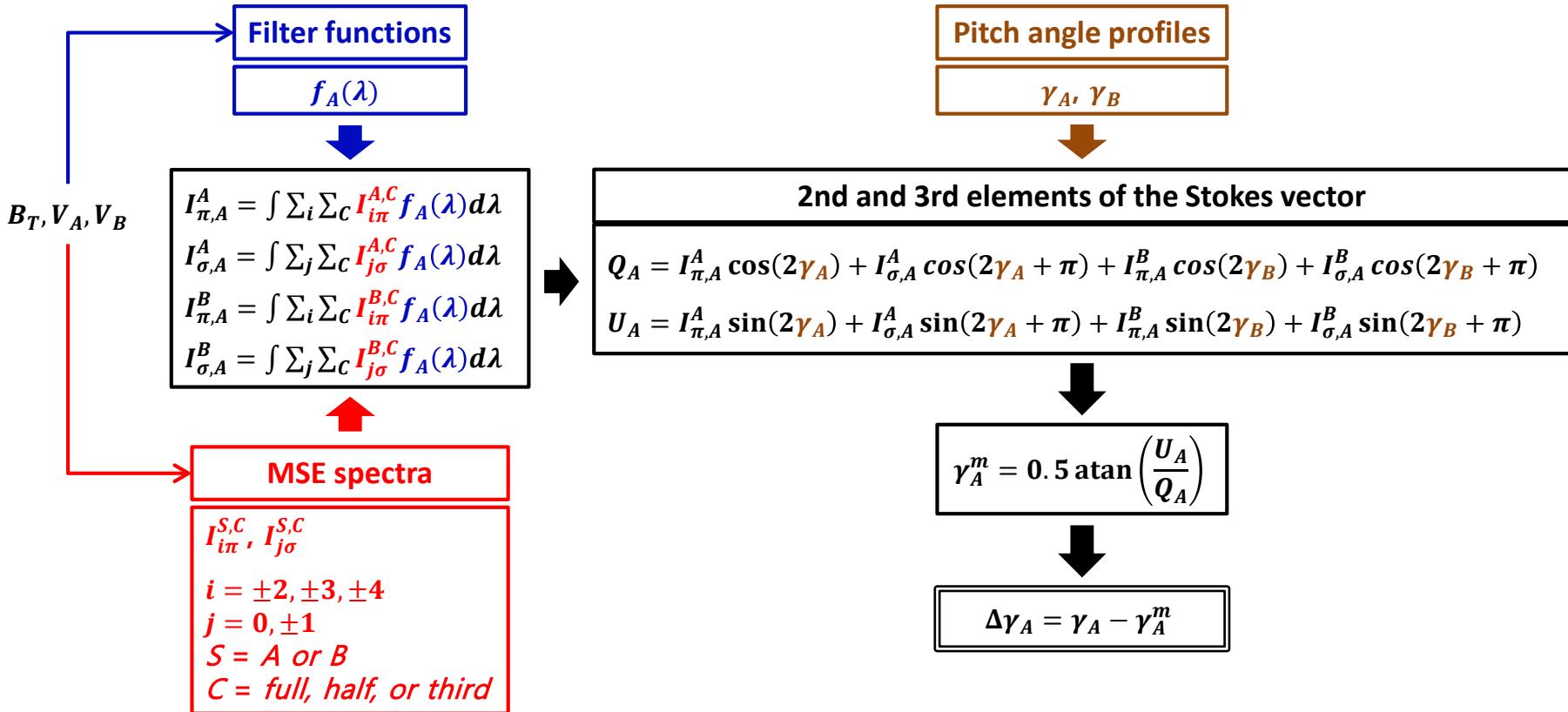
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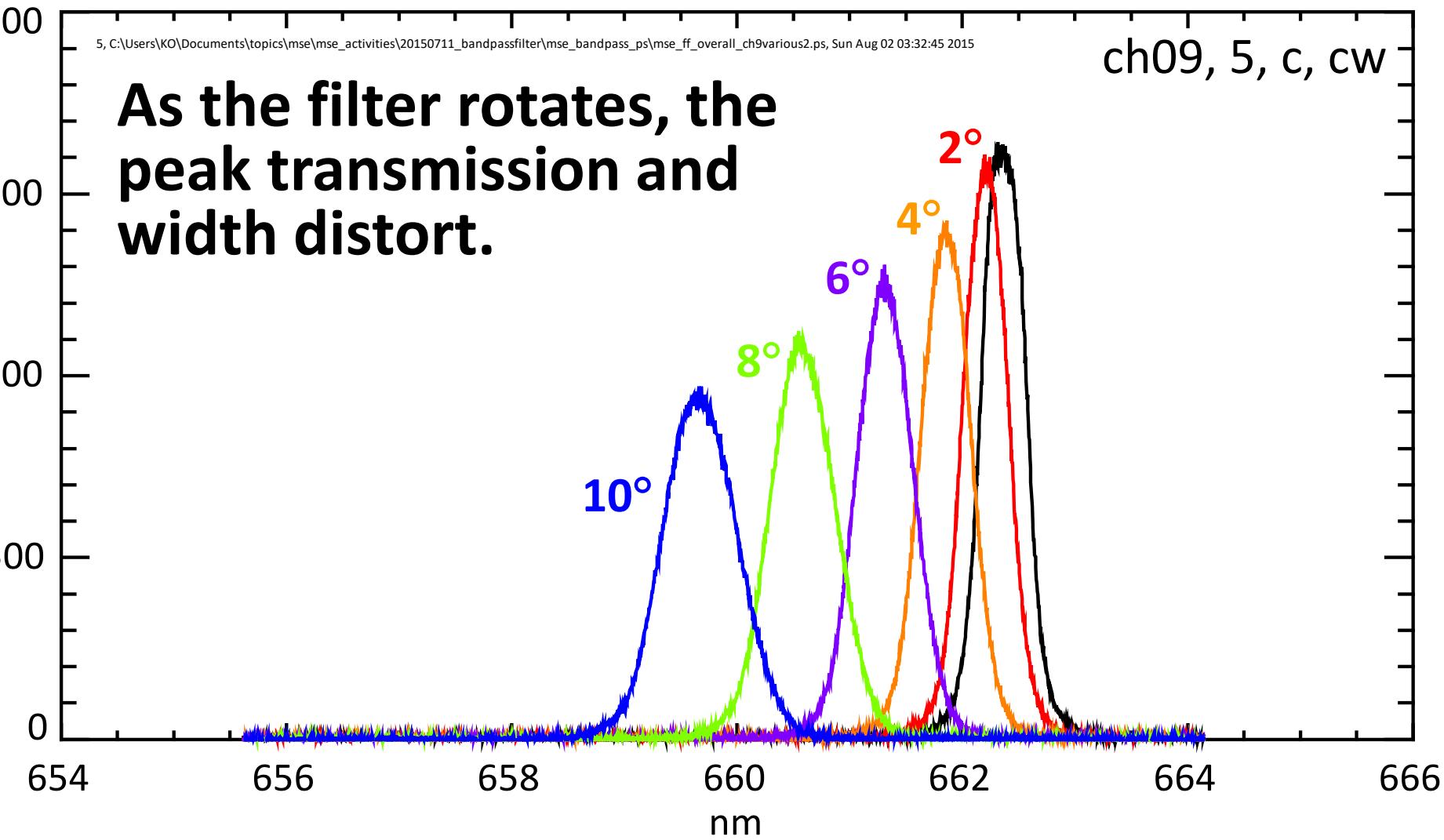
# Per sightline

MSE signal source: NBI1-A

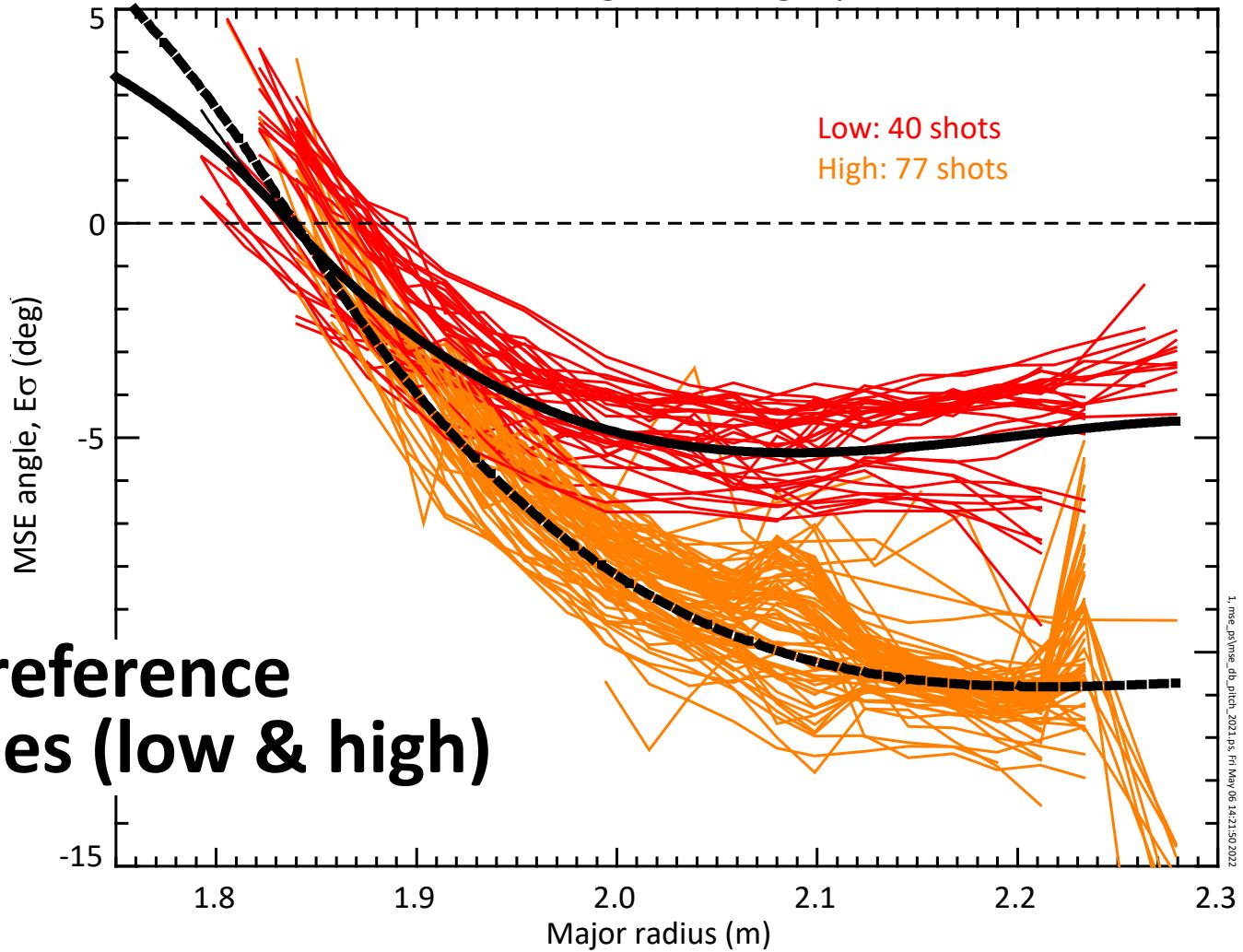


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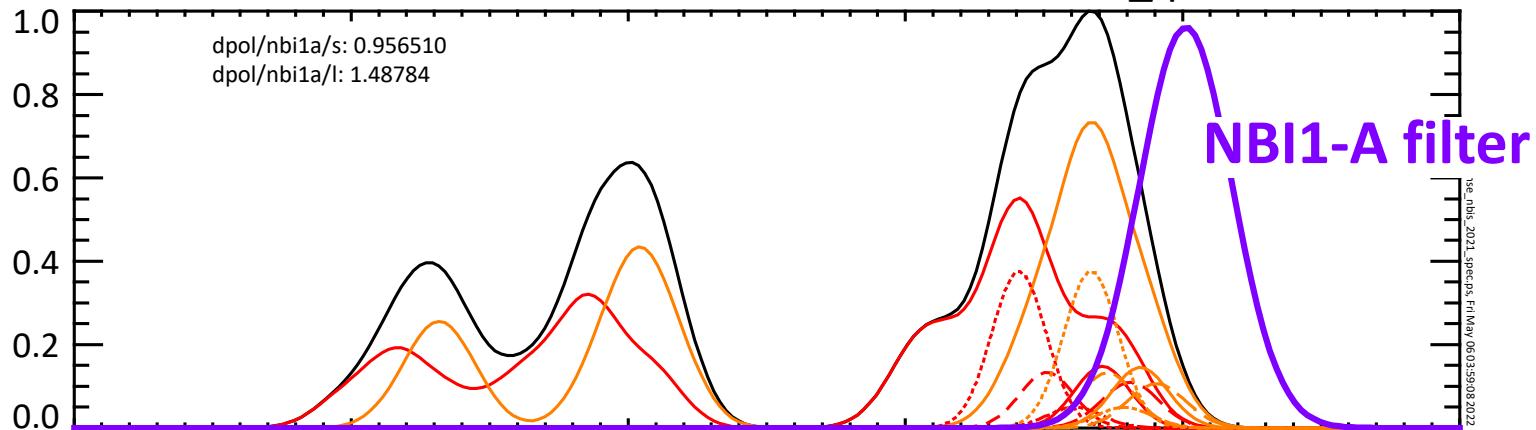
**As the filter rotates, the peak transmission and width distort.**



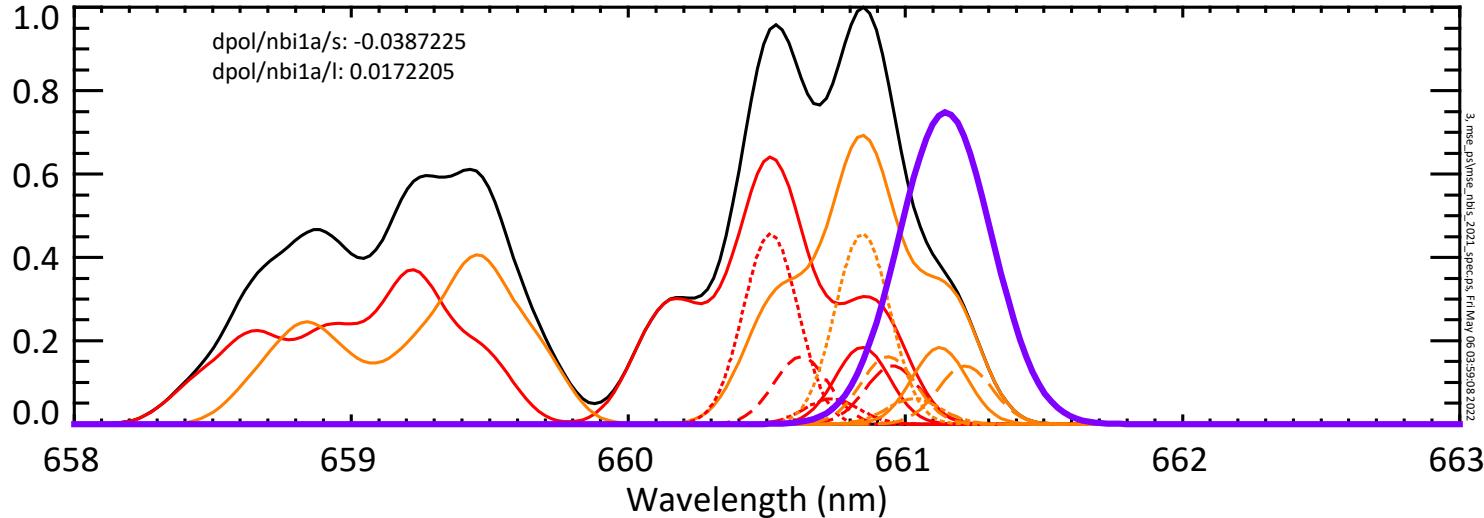
# 2021 low and high mse angle profiles



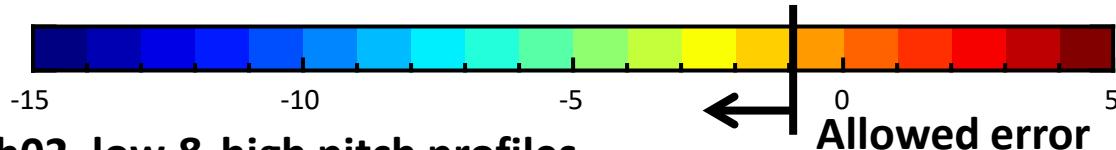
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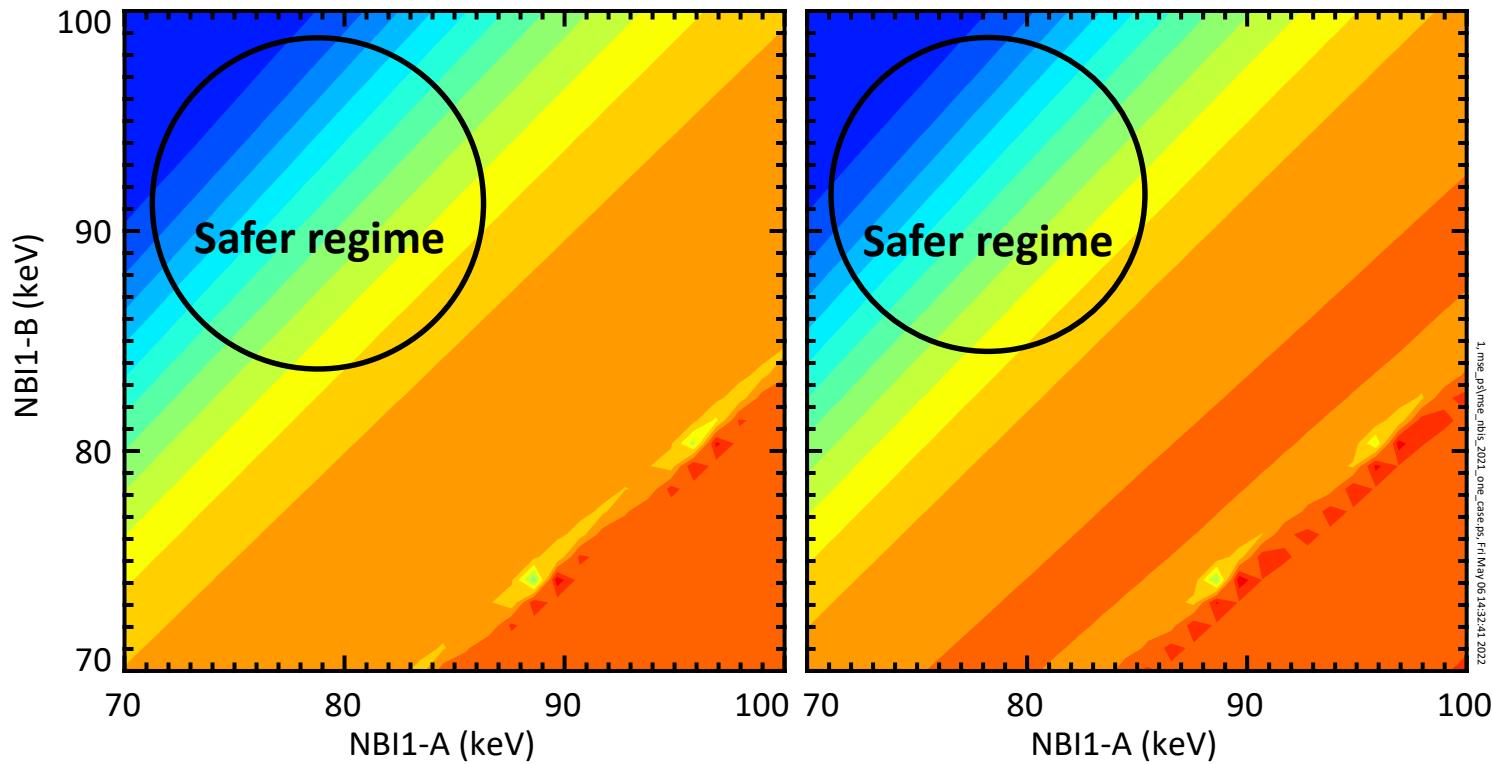
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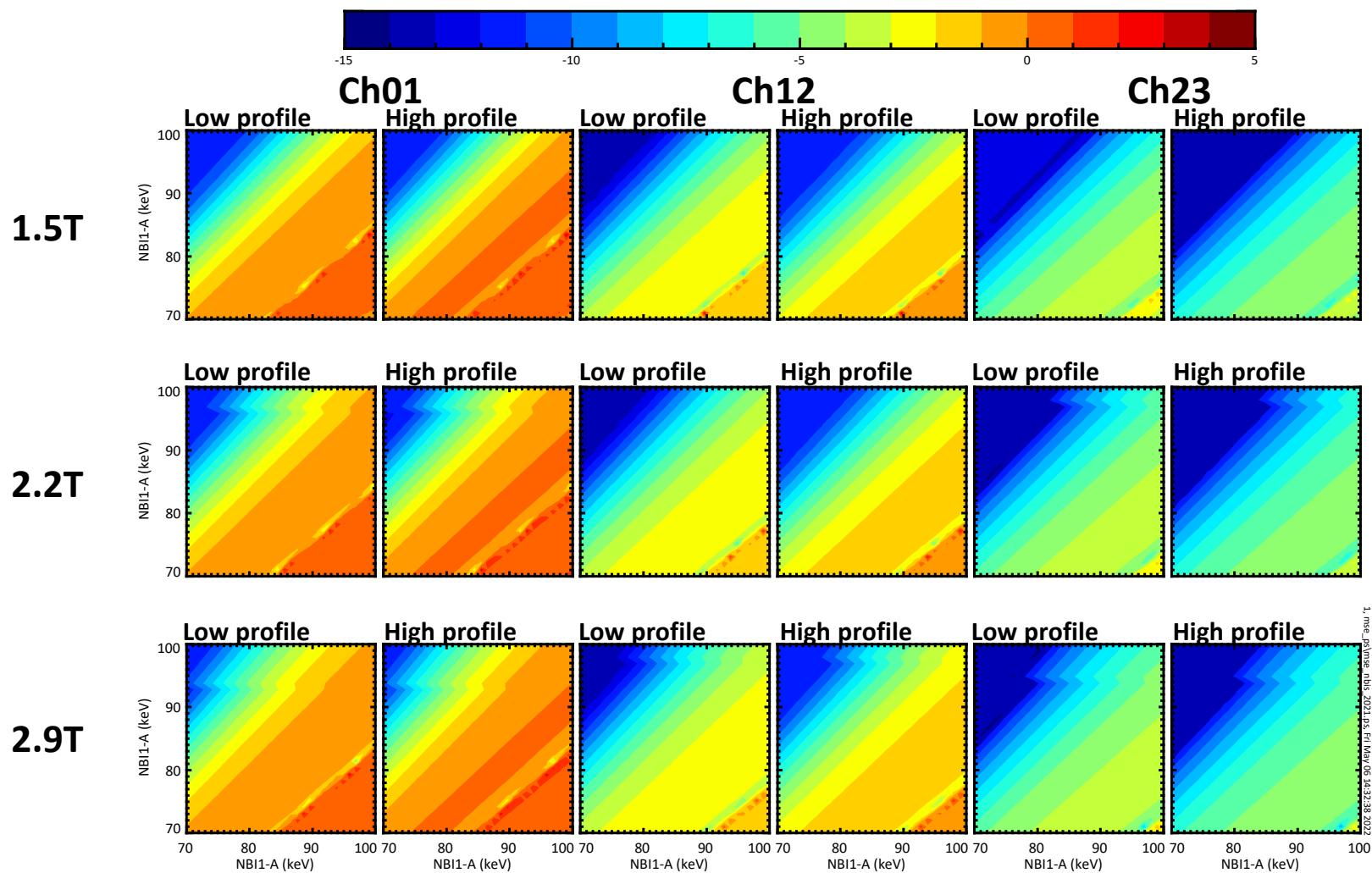
$\text{alog10}(\text{abs}(\text{true angle} - \text{measured angle}))$ , NBI1-B as the source



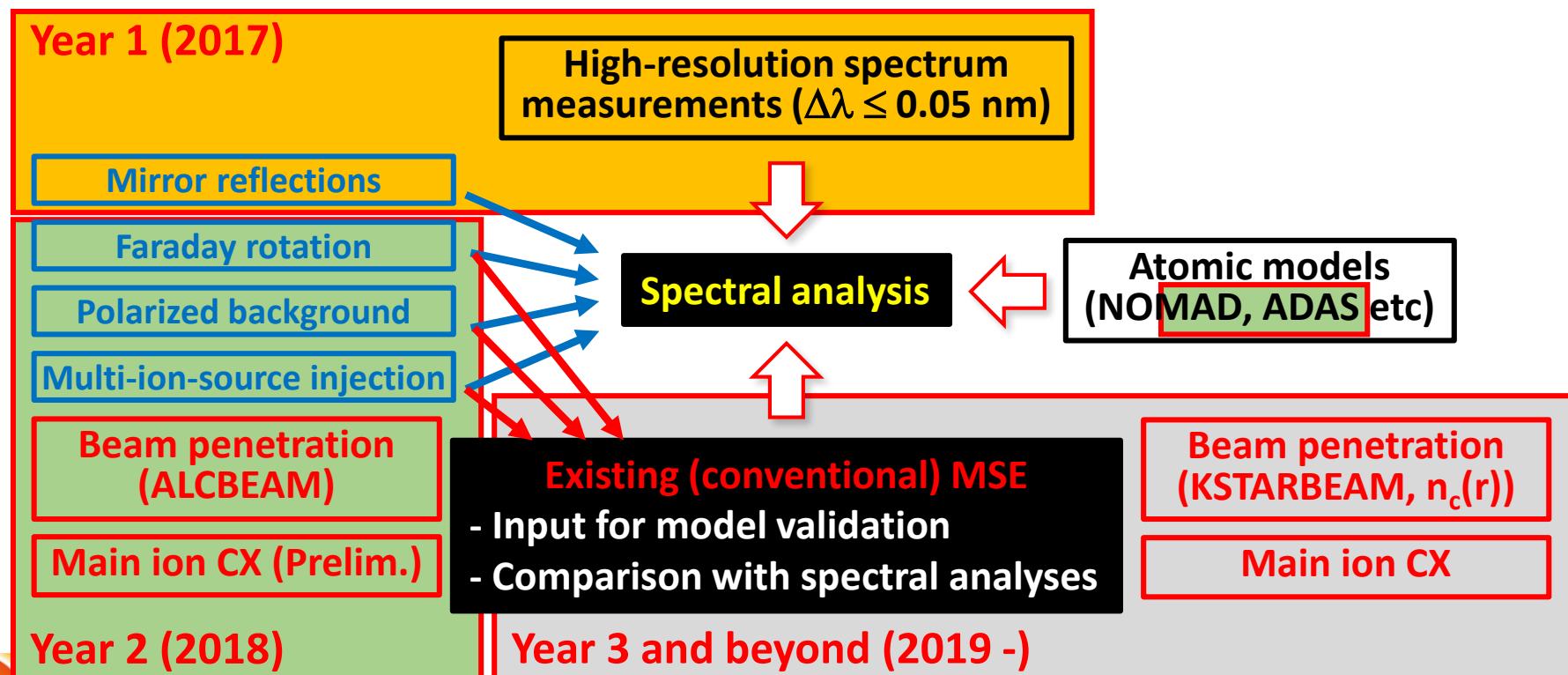
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# KSTAR run time dedicated to atomic data benchmark study during 2020 campaign

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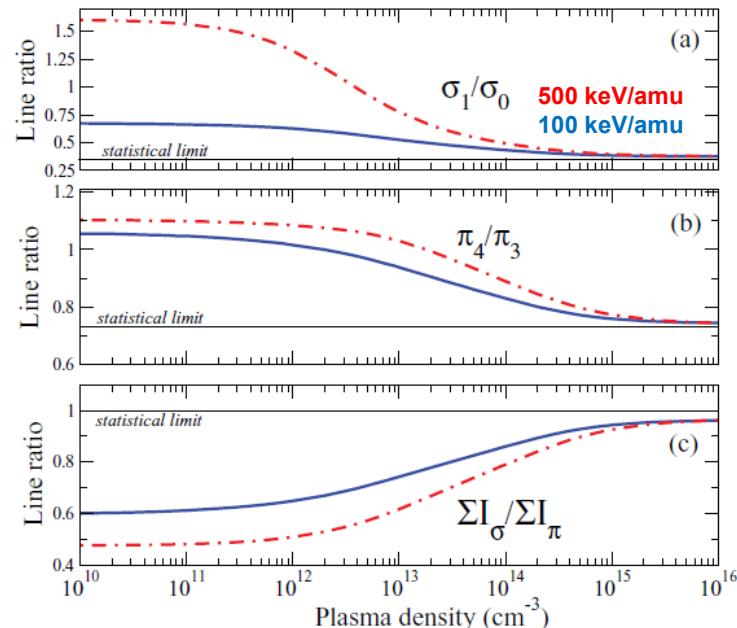
O. Marchuk, Yu. Ralchenko, D. R. Schultz, Ph. Mertens

Motivation:

- Deviation of statistical populations in MSE atomic levels and line intensities still observed in many machines (JET, Alcator C-Mod etc).
- No experimental data of MSE intensities in helium plasmas
  - No predictions and studies available for initial ITER plasmas.

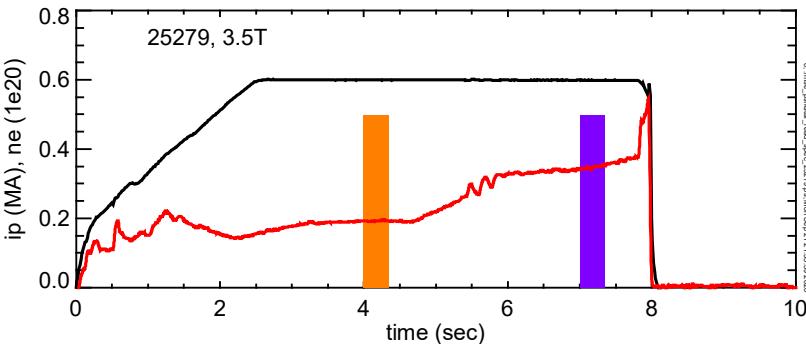
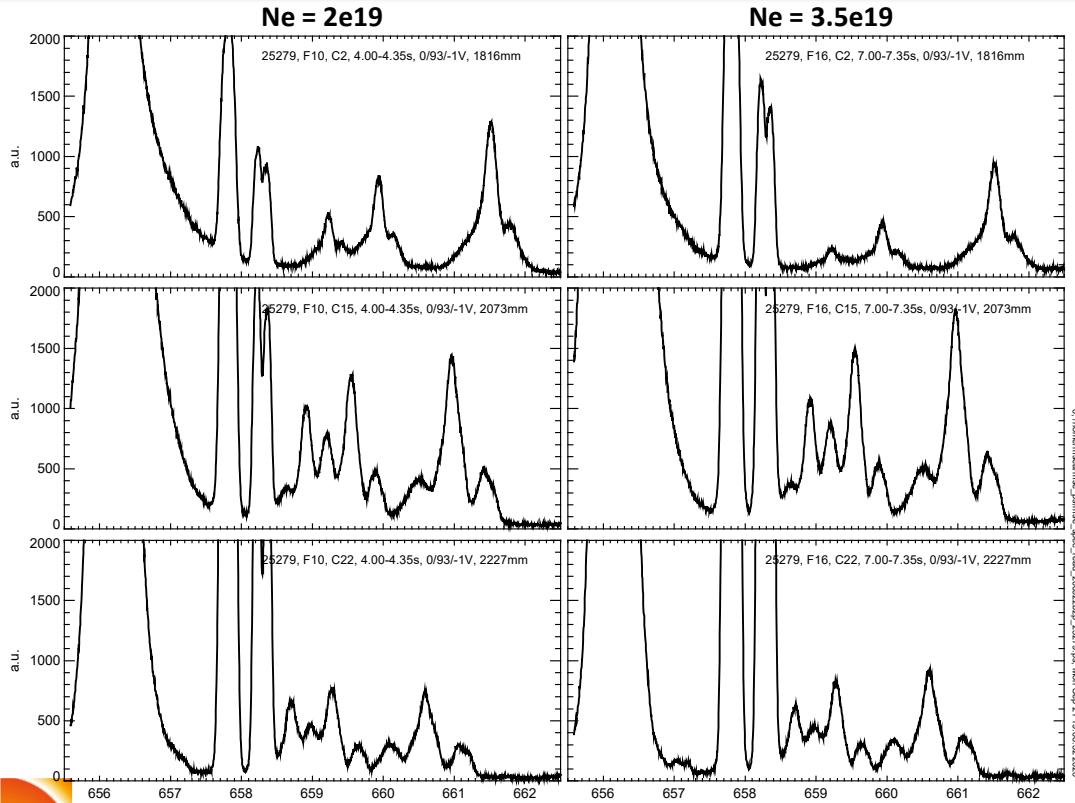
Approach:

- Utilizing the KSTAR's capability to measure high-resolution MSE spectra, obtain good-quality MSE spectra in helium and D plasmas.
- Comparison with polarimetric MSE results



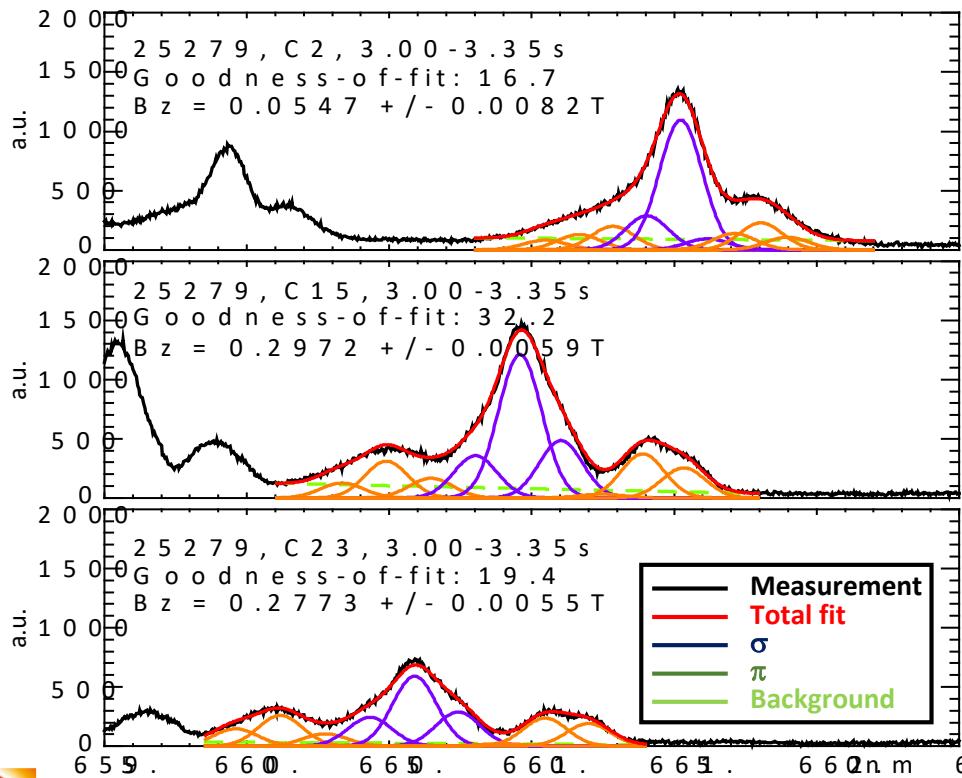
Marchuk et al, *Plasma Phys. Control. Fusion* 54 (2012) 095010  
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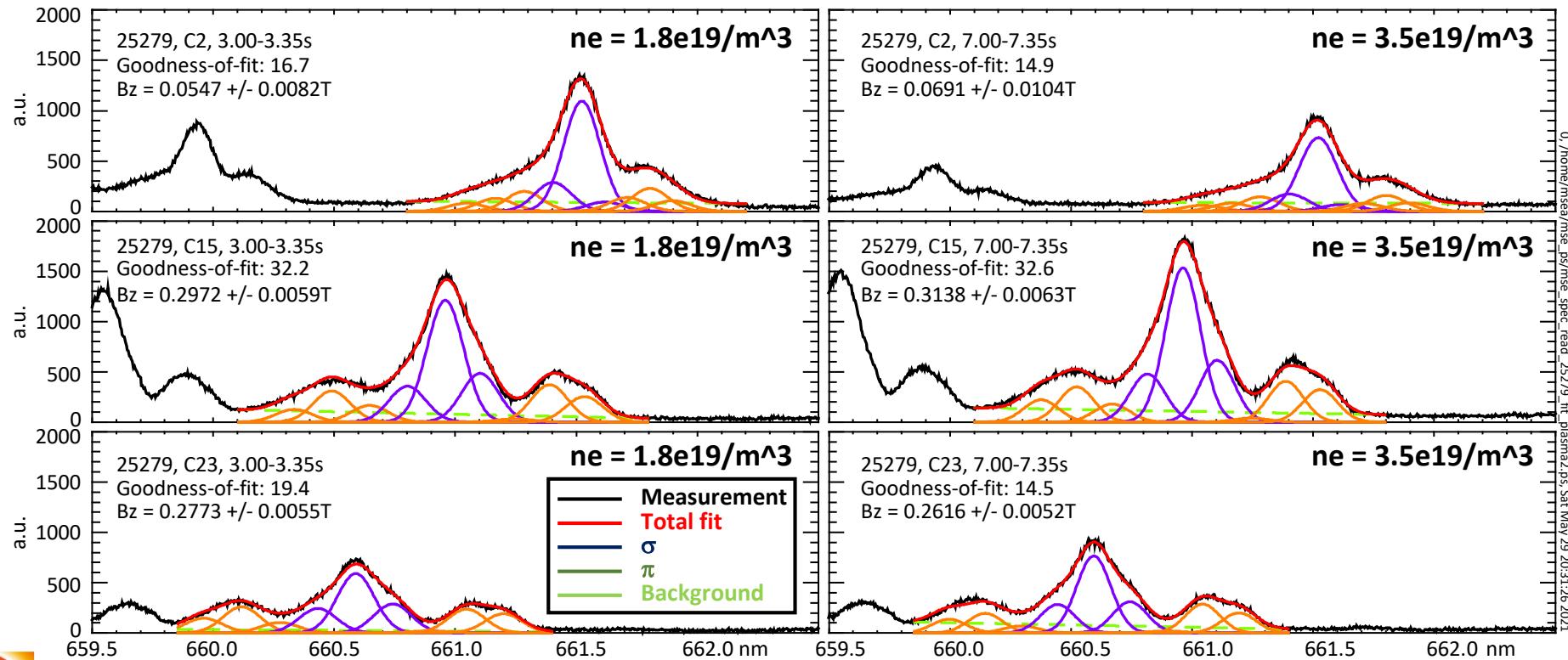
- 3 out of 25 conventional MSE channels connected to spectrometer (Core / Mid-minor / Edge).
- One shot with density scan at 3.5T, 90 keV deuterium beam (Originally 4 shots given).
- No Te & ne measurements! (Apology to Sascha)

# Spectral fit on MSE emission to infer vertical field at KSTAR

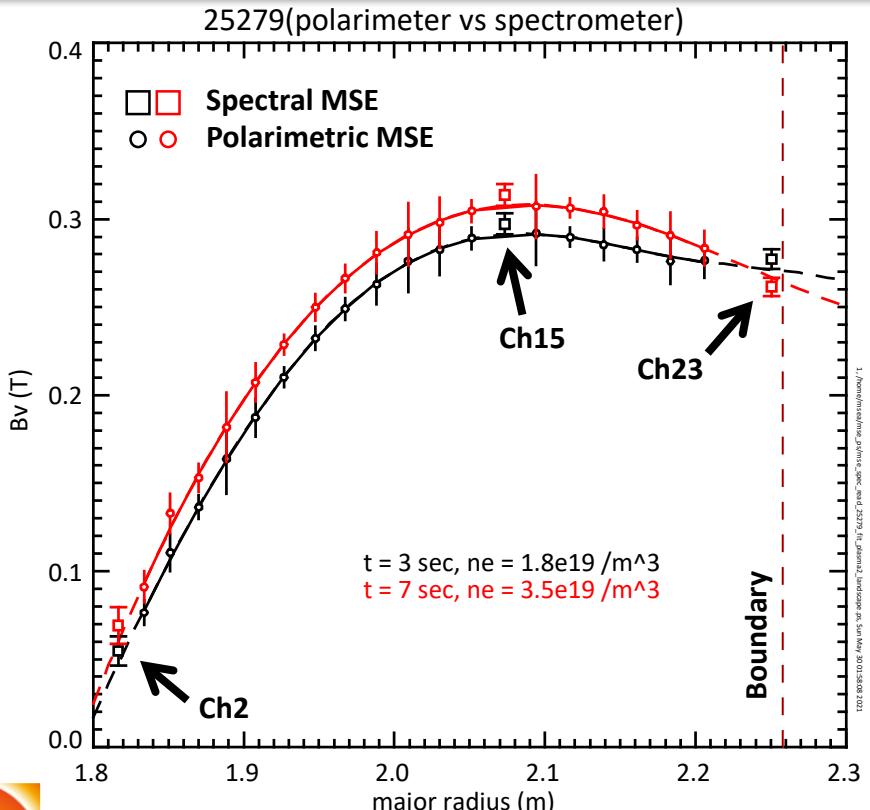


- Multi-Gaussian fit model on full energy component of MSE spectrum includes:
  - Asymmetry around  $\sigma_0$  dependent of channel position.
  - Free parameters with constraints: relative intensities of MSE multiplets, Stark splitting, line broadening.
  - Fixed parameters:  $B_t$ , beam energy, viewing angle.
  - Linear background (including FIDA).
  - ‘Forward’ initialization
- Inferred  $B_v$ 's are compared with that from polarimetric MSE.

# Spectral fit on MSE emission to infer vertical field at KSTAR at two ne values



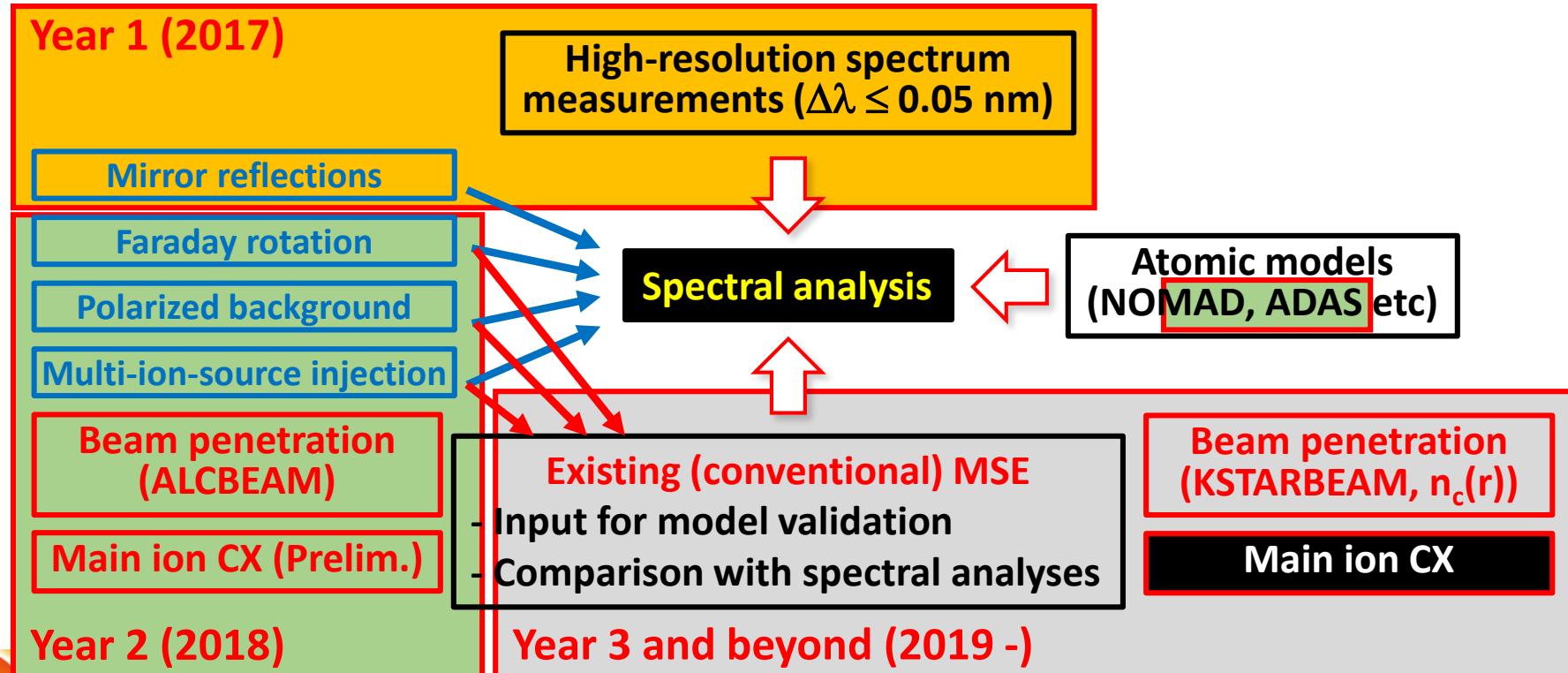
# Reasonable agreement between polarimetric and spectral MSE's



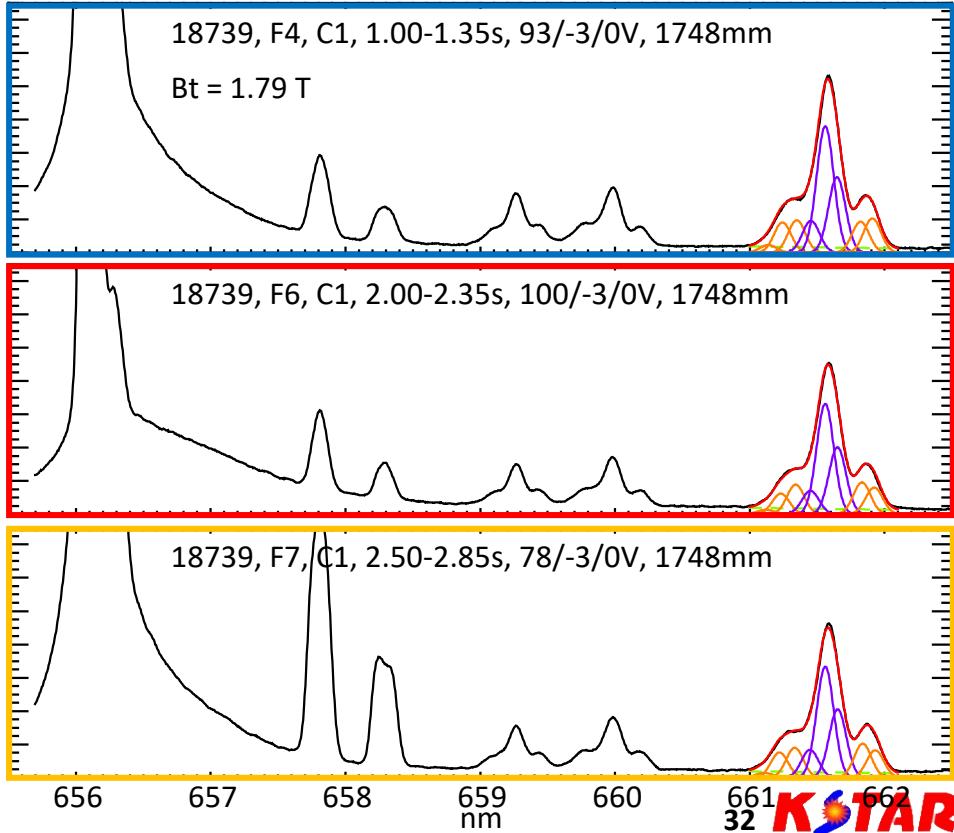
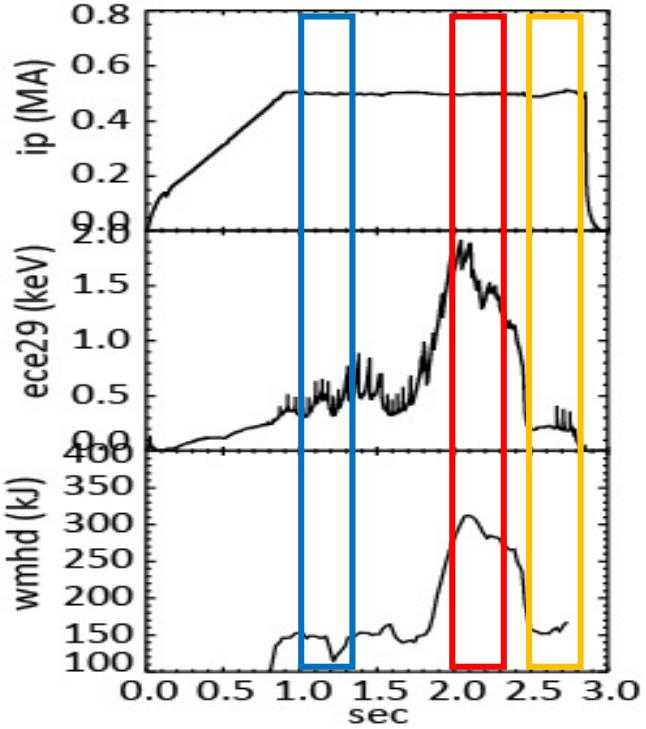
- Bv's inferred from spectral MSE are overplotted with those from polarimetric MSE
- With slight offsets, Bv's from spectral MSE exhibit similar sensitivity as those from polarimetric MSE over two different Bv profiles.
- Next steps:
  - Stabilize (automate) establishing initial conditions.
  - Increase the number of 'spectral' channels.
  - Apply and test more various plasma discharges (ITB etc).
  - Cases of multiple ion-source injections? Will be very challenging.

Zoletnik et al. Nucl. Fusion, To be submitted

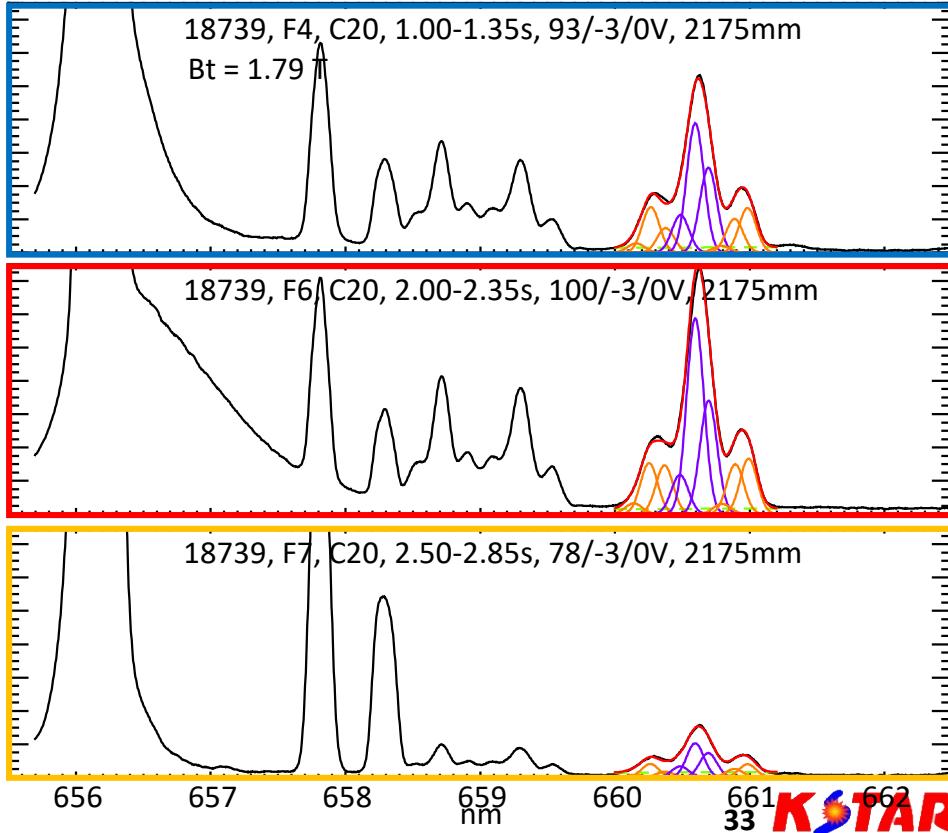
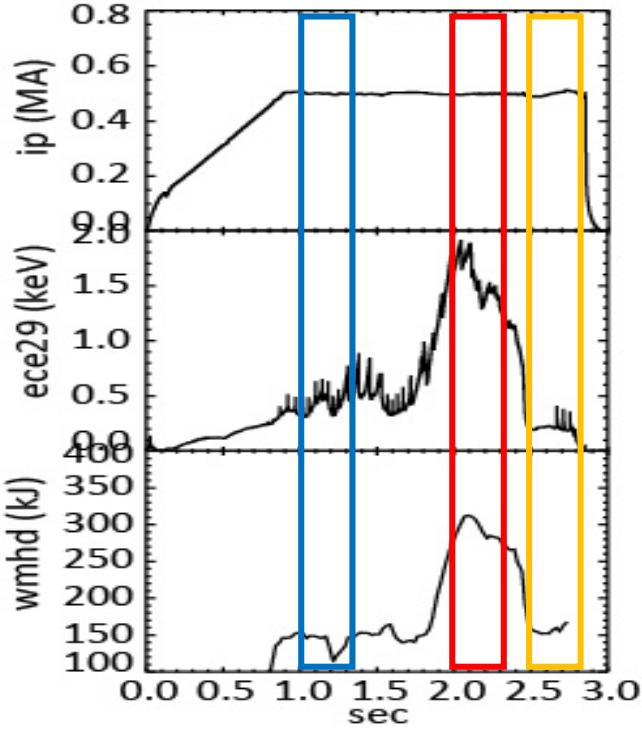
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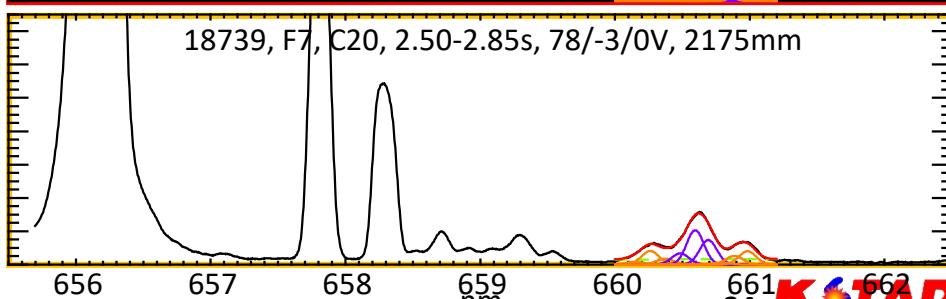
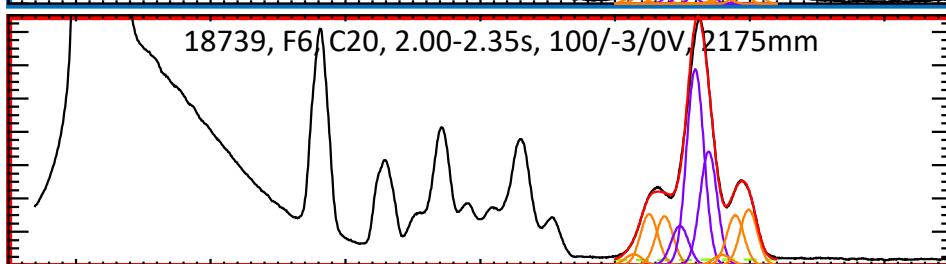
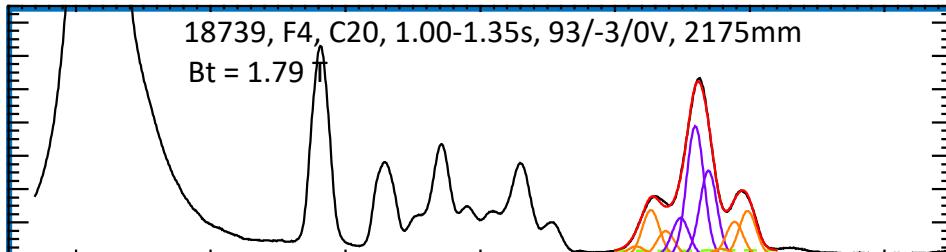
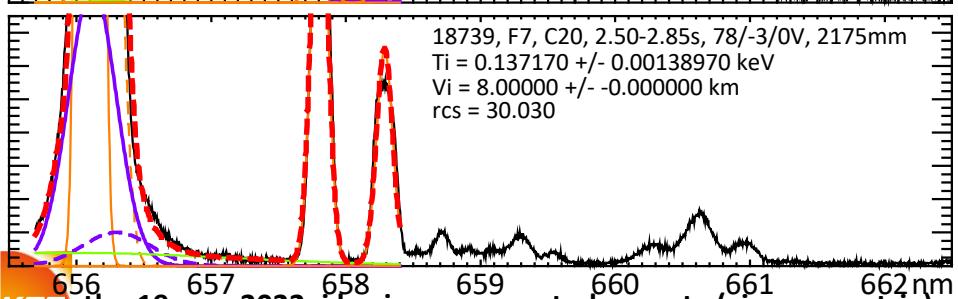
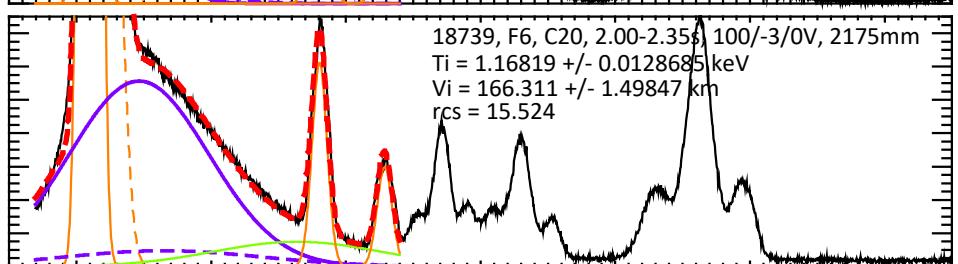
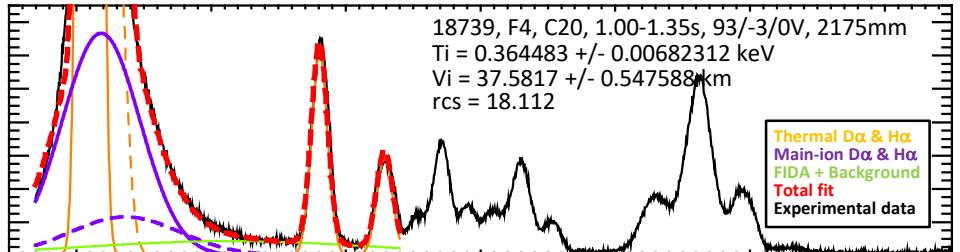
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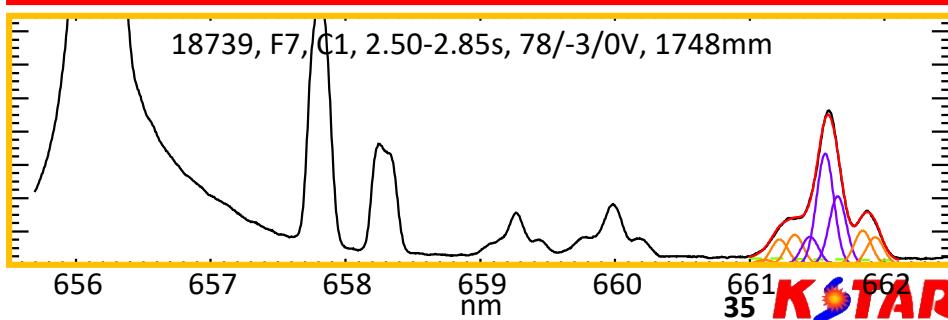
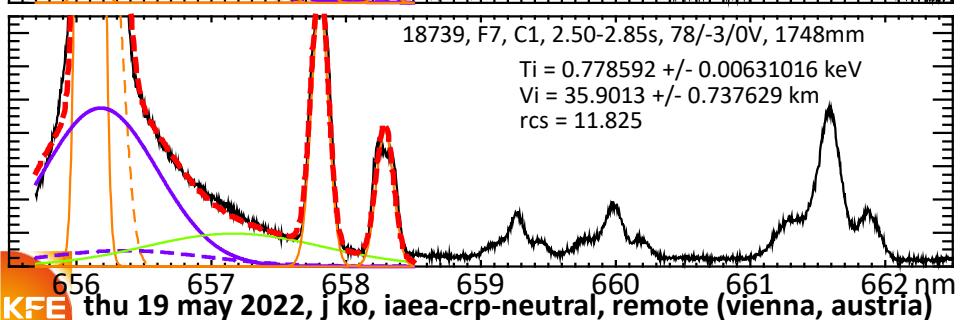
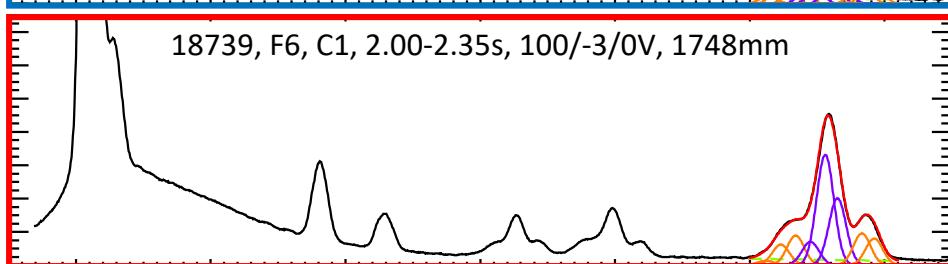
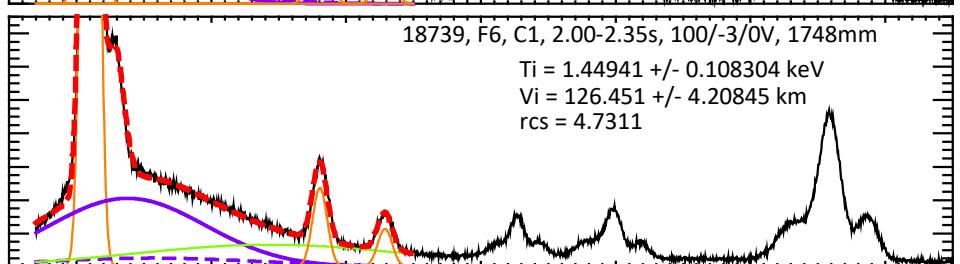
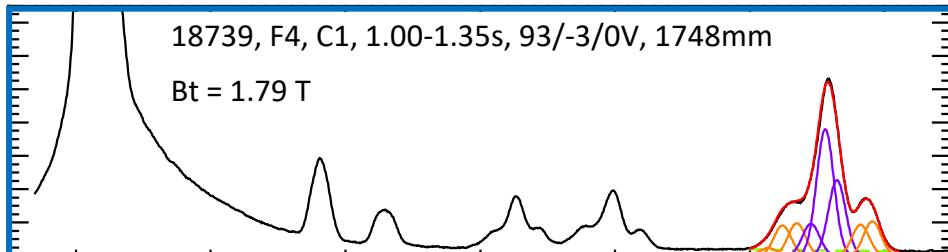
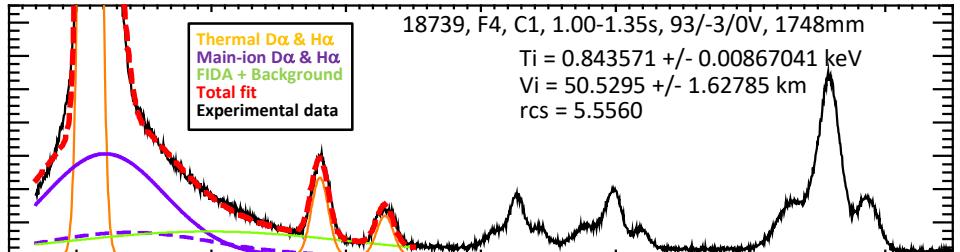
# ...which qualitatively broaden during high confinement regimes



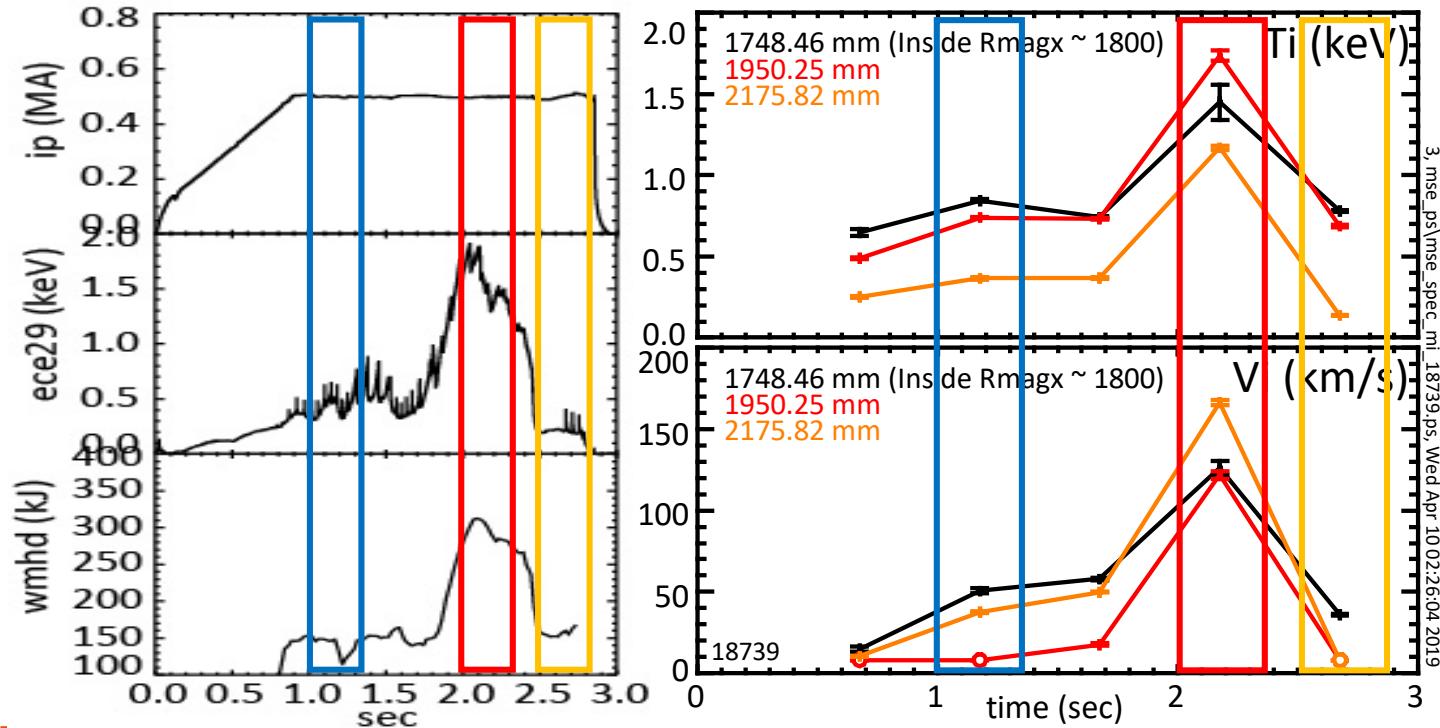
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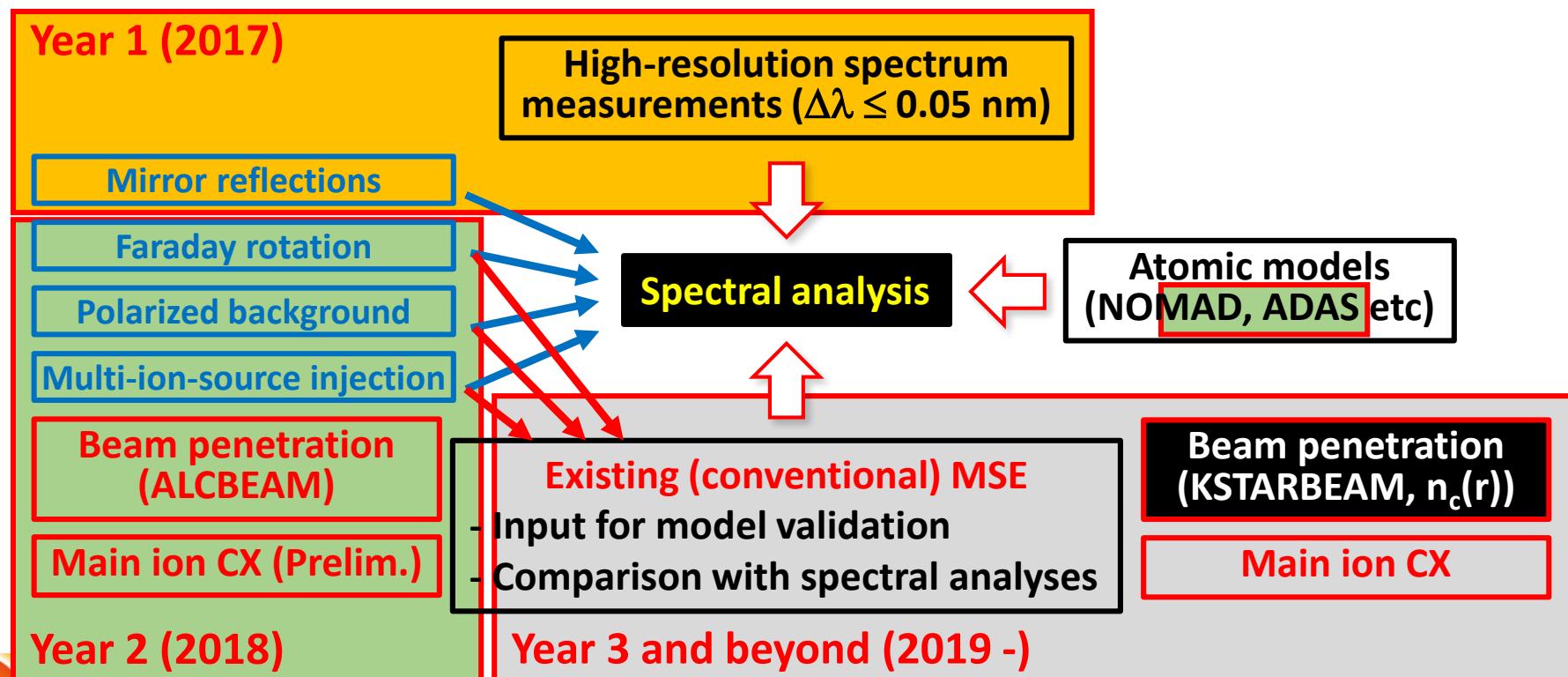


# Multi-Gaussian fit for main-ion CX interpretation done in addition to MSE fits.



- Rather challenging fit because the beam-off thermal components are included.
- Cross-section distortion and halo not included.
- Impurity-based CX data can be used as initial conditions.
- Full-channel measurements planned to confirm pedestal structures etc.

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# Carbon density profiles obtained for the first time in KSTAR

- Last time, a brief introduction was made on the application of the ALCBEAM\* code to KSTAR
- ALCBEAM has been modified (and renamed as KSTARBEAM) for the KSTAR beam configs.

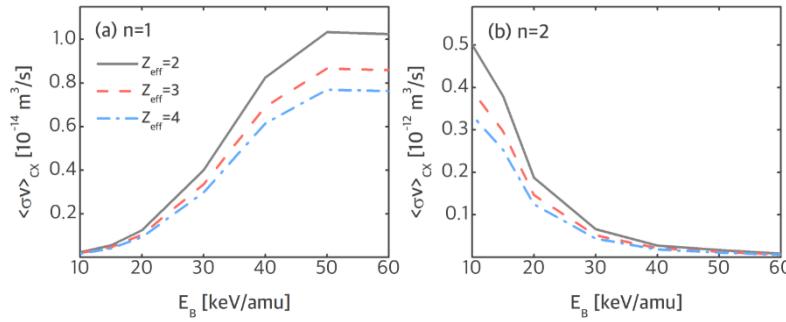
$$n_c = \frac{4\pi\epsilon_{CX}^\lambda}{\sum_k \sum_j \langle \sigma v \rangle_{j,k}^\lambda \int n_{b,j,k}(l) dl}$$

$\epsilon_{CX}^\lambda$  : the charge exchange brightness at wavelength  $\lambda$   
 $j$  : beam energy components ( $E, E/2, E/3$ )

$k$  : beam atoms excited levels

$\langle \sigma v \rangle_{j,k}^\lambda$  : the effective cross-section rate (from ADAS)

$dl$  : the path length of diagnostic's line of sight through the beam

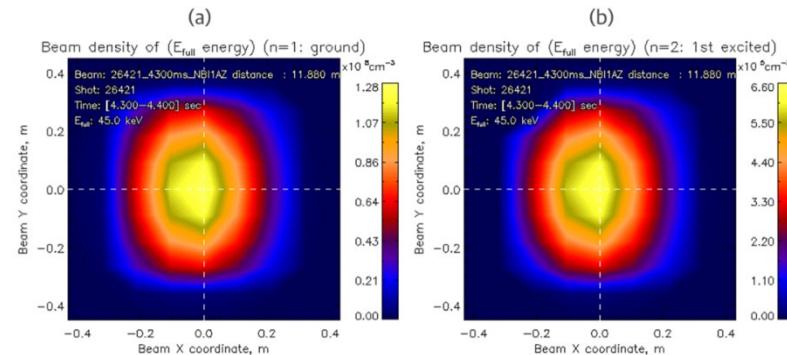


$$n_{b,j}(z) = n_{b,j}(0) \exp \left( - \int (n_e(z) \sigma_{S,j}) dz \right)$$

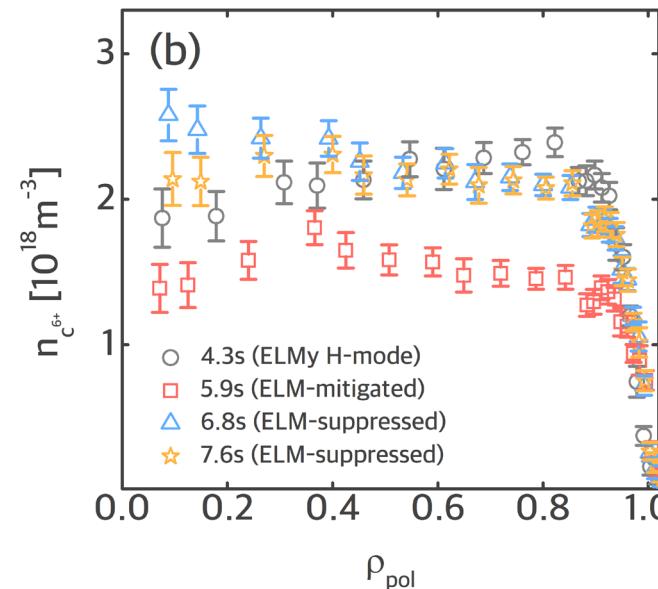
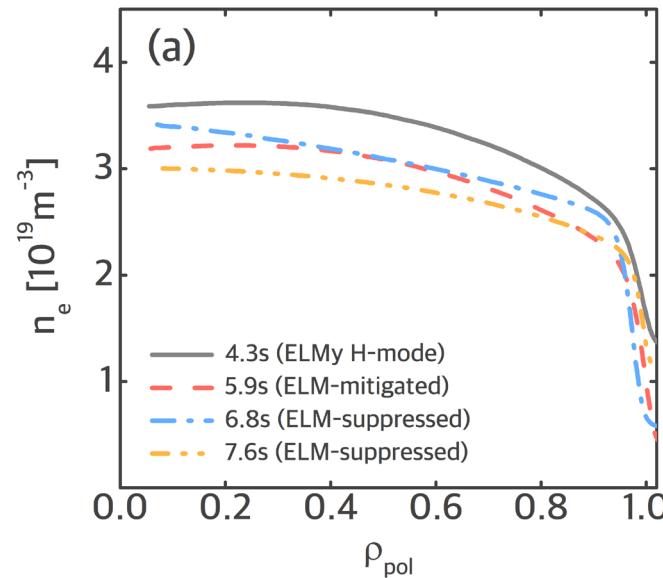
$z$  : distance along the beam trajectory

$n_{b,j}(0)$  : the initial neutral beam density at the plasma boundary

$\sigma_{S,j}$  : the effective beam stopping cross-section



# Impurity accumulation during ELM-free phase has been observed



- KSTAR plasmas can suppress edge-localized mode (ELM) by applying the resonant magnetic perturbation.
- Carbon density profiles confirm the impurity accumulation during ELM-free while electrons are pumped out.

J K Lee et al. AIP Advanced, 2022

# Future plans

- Retry the MSE spectrum measurements in 2022 KSTAR campagin with Te and ne measurements, and narrow slits (lots of nlm-resolved data!) – **Dedicated run time allocated in July**
- Apply the main-ion CX fit to recent (and upcoming) high-Ti KSTAR plasmas
- Reliable initialization in the MSE and main-ion CX fits
- Extend the spectral MSE to various advanced operation regimes (ITB etc) and the multi-ion-source injection cases and compare it with polarimetric MSE
- Revist the spectrum measurements from the gas with the beam and the field (for atomic physics data collections)
- Utilization of (Comparison with) NOMAD

# Shot plan\*: 7 shots with NB1A, NB2B, SMBI

- Ref: #29449\*\*
  - ✓ Obtained by J W Juhn in 2021
  - ✓ 0.7 MA with SMBI, NB1A/B = 80/85 keV
  - ✓ Record high  $f_{GW}$  &  $ne$  (80% & 8.5e19)
- Initial modifications
  - ✓ NB1A = 90 keV
  - ✓ NB2B replaces NB1B to avoid beam spectral overlap
  - ✓ Keep the fueling scheme
- MSE and other hardware
  - ✓ MSE 3 channels to spectrometer/CCD
  - ✓ Te and ne profiles necessary (TS, ECE)
  - ✓ SMBI

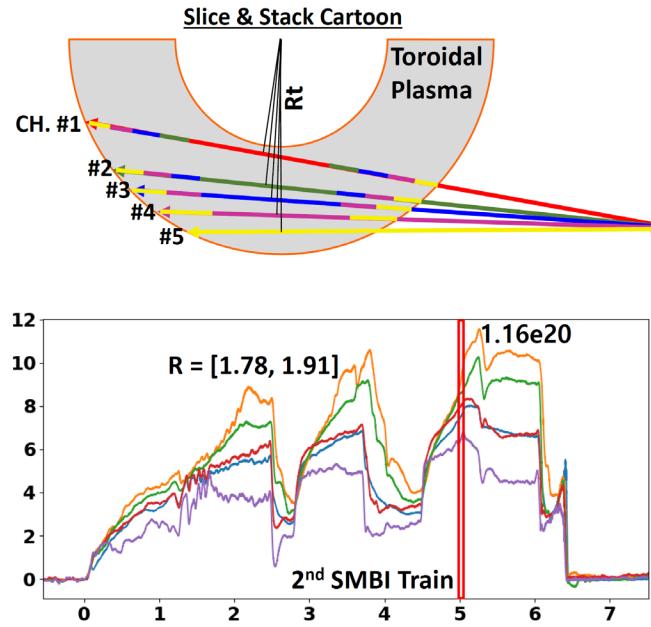
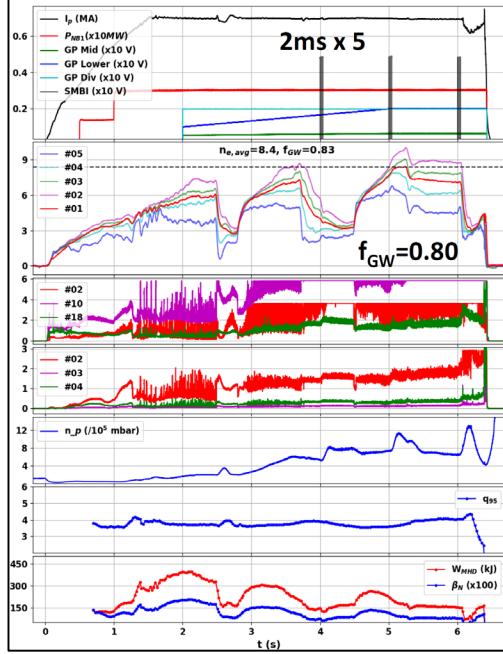
- Shot 1: Re-achieve #29449
- Shot 2 / 3: NB1A = 90 keV / 60 keV
- Shot 4 / 5: NB1A = 90 keV / 60 keV with Ar 1%  
(Challenge to even higher  $f_{GW}$ )
- Shot 6:  $Ip = 1$  MA, NB1A = 90 keV
- Shot 7:  $Ip = 1$  MA, NB1A = 90 keV,  $Bt = 3.5T$

\*\*Alternative in case of no SMBI: #28844 (NB1A/B/C, NB2C,  $f_{GW} = 74\%$ )

- Expectations if successful:
  - ✓ Obtain unique atomic physics data (main purpose)
  - ✓ Obtain dataset for spectral MSE for ITER application
  - ✓ Pursue record  $ne/n_{GW}$  in KSTAR

# 29449

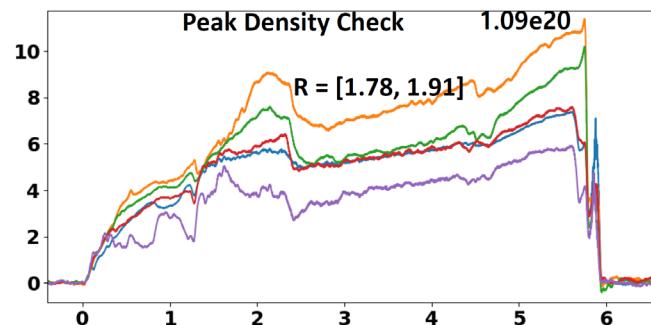
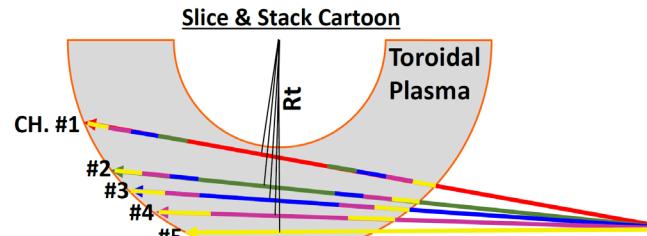
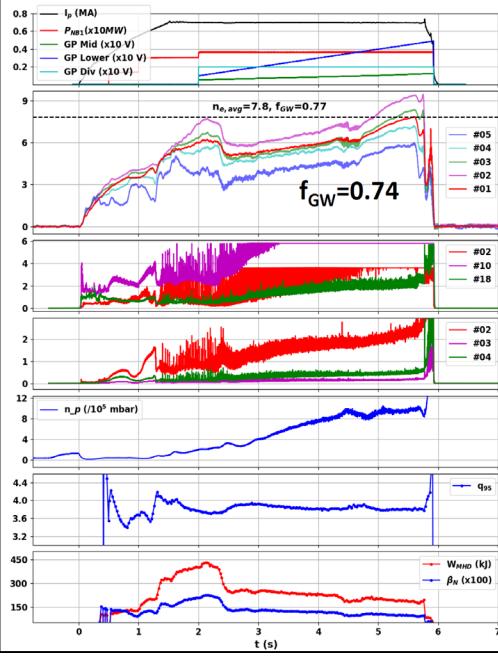
## SMBI Injection Test (#29449)



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## 0.7 MA Discharge (#28844)



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# Future plans

- Retry the MSE spectrum measurements in 2022 KSTAR campagin with Te and ne measurements, and narrow slits (lots of nlm-resolved data!) – **Dedicated run time allocated in July**
- Apply the main-ion CX fit to recent (and upcoming) high-Ti KSTAR plasmas
- Reliable initialization in the MSE and main-ion CX fits
- Extend the spectral MSE to various advanced operation regimes (ITB etc) and the multi-ion-source injection cases and compare it with polarimetric MSE
- Revist the spectrum measurements from the gas with the beam and the field (for atomic physics data collections)
- Utilization of (Comparison with) NOMAD