CHICO2 – A pixelated PPAC

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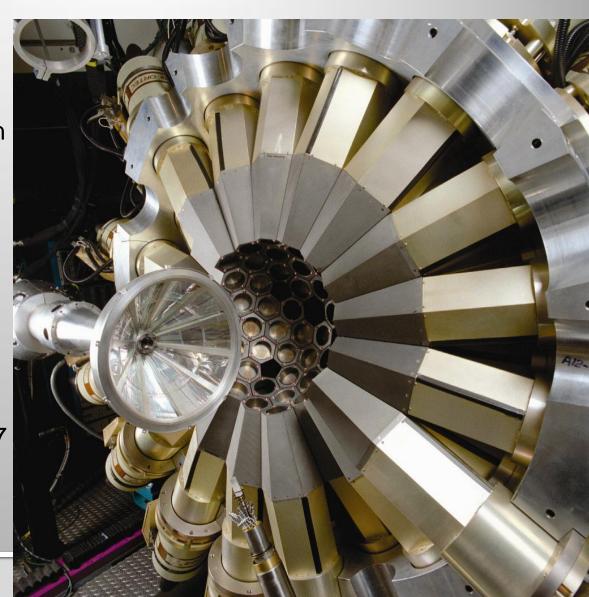
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CHICO and Gammasphere

- CHICO (Compact Heavy Ion COunter) developed at U. of Rochester in 1994 – 1996, under NSF funding. [M. Simon et al, NIM A452, 205 (2000)]
- Designed as an auxiliary charged-particle detector for Gammasphere with a solidangle coverage of 69% of 4π.
- 26 experiments fielded over a decade, involving 58 experimentalists from 17 institutions, which results in 37 publications and 5 Ph.D.'s



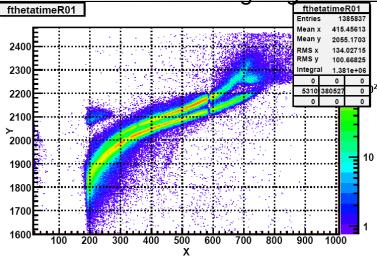
Gammasphere/CHICO at ANL, 2008

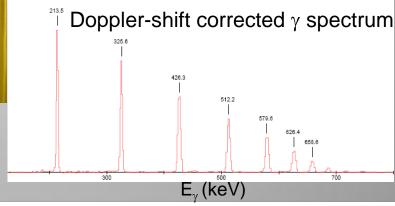
Gammasphere/CHICO setup

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 178 Hf on 208 Pb at E_{lab}=984 MeV

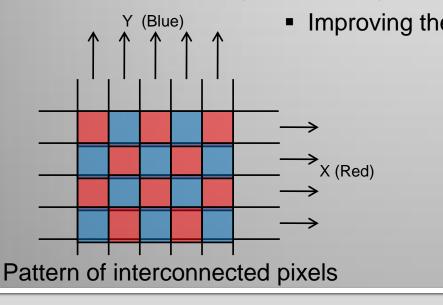


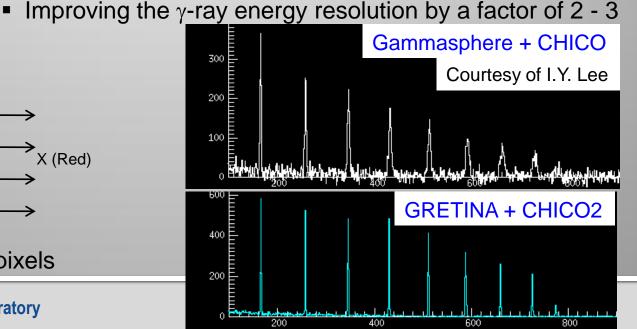




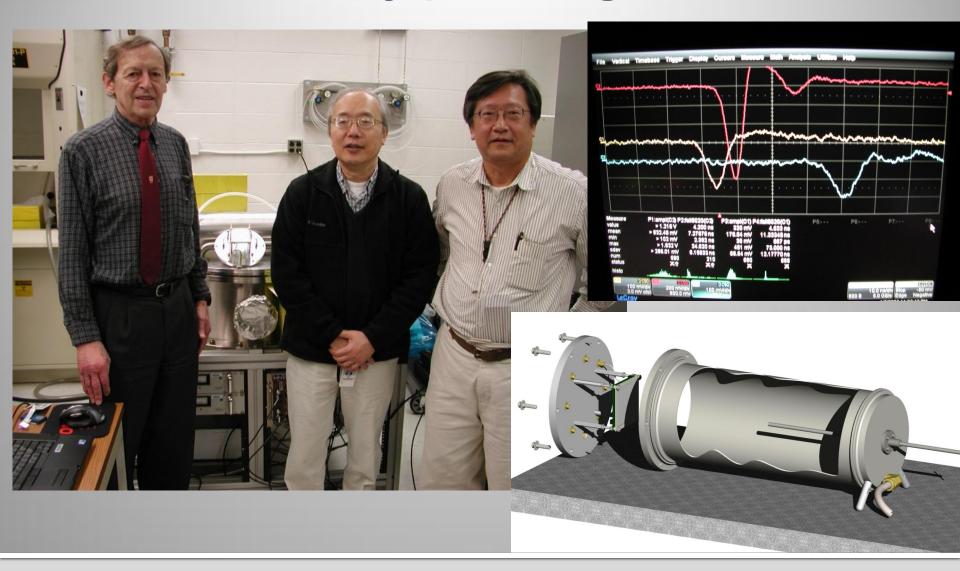
CHICO2

- Angular resolution of CHICO improved to ~ 1° in both θ and φ coordinates, matching those of GRETINA by pixelating the position-sensing plate
- Position determination not by the location of pixel but by the delay-line readout technique, which reduces the readout to 100 instead of 14,780 channels
- Funded in FY10 and completed by the end of 2012
- Excellent uniformity and linearity is achieved during the testing phase

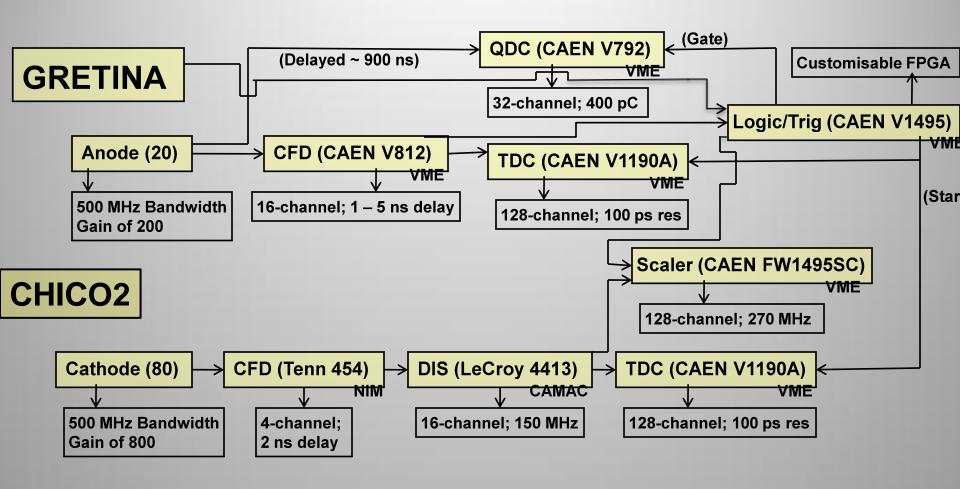




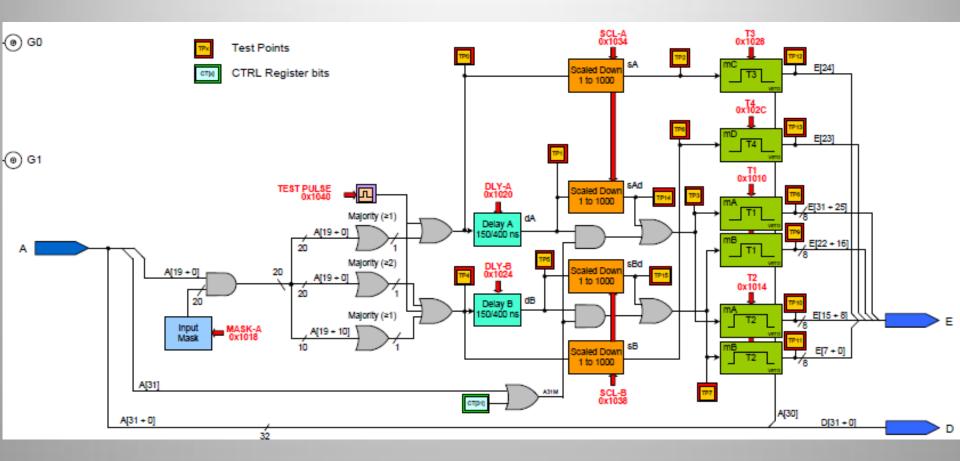
CHICO2 – Early planning



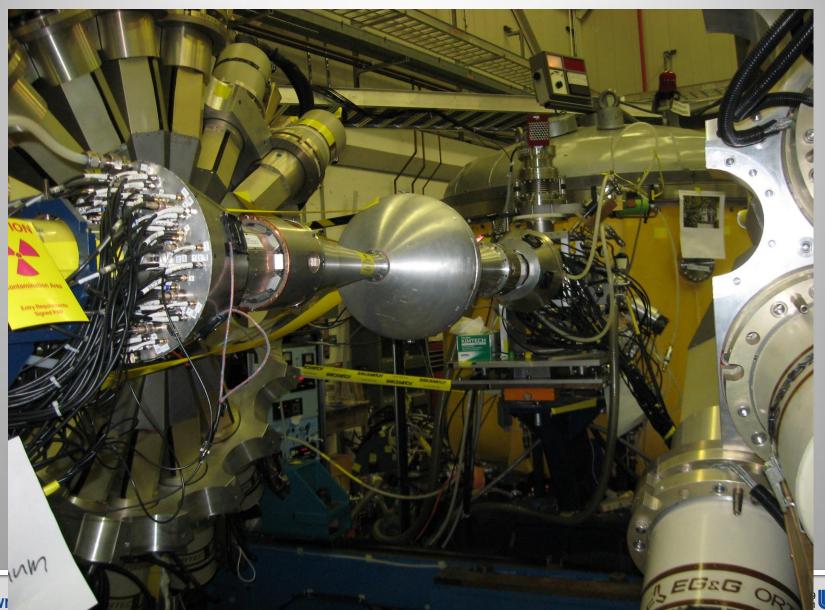
VME based electronics design



Firmware diagram

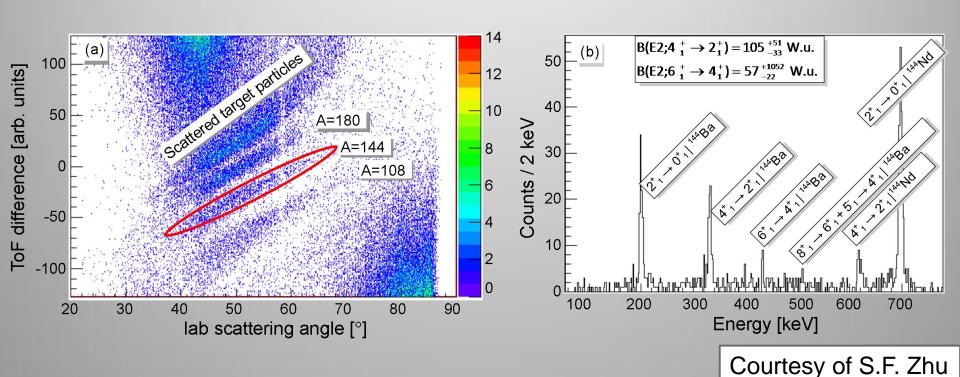


DGS/CHICO2 setup at ANL, 2013

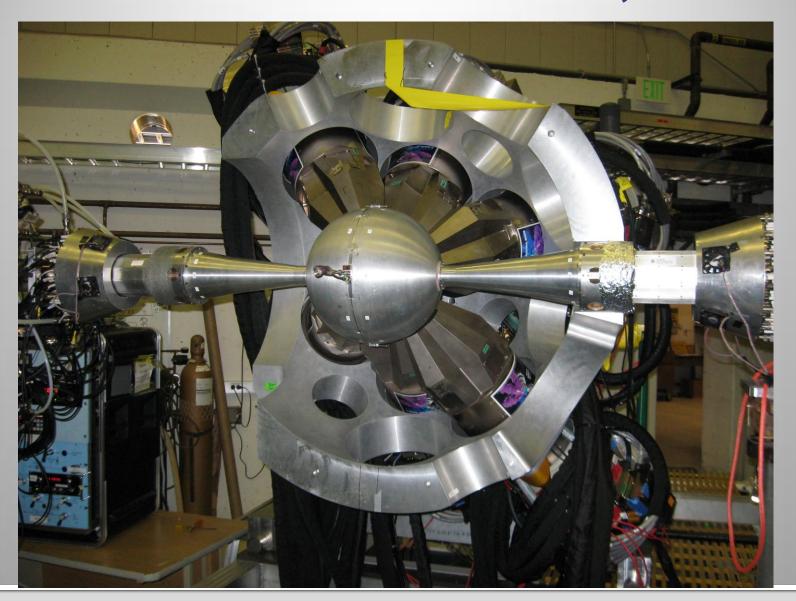


Experimental results

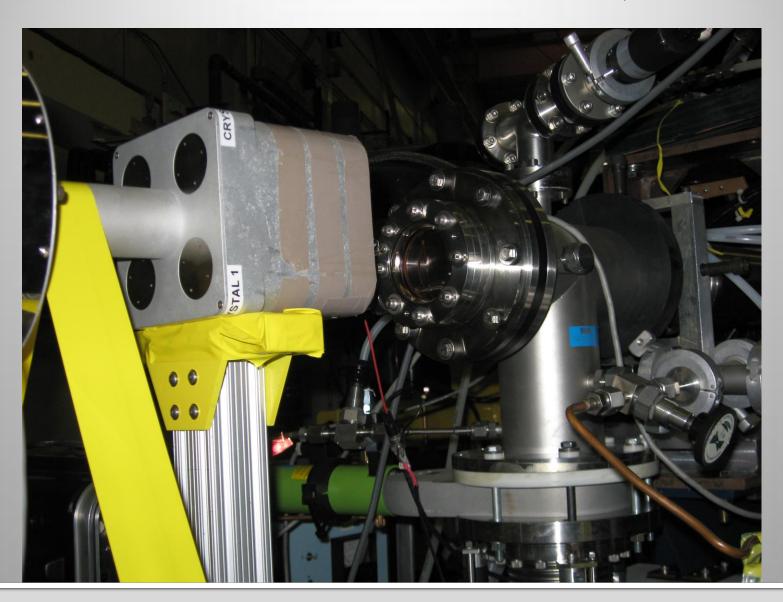
- Octupole collectivity in ¹⁴⁴Ba
 - ~ 500 pps ¹⁴⁴Ba on 2 mg/cm² ²⁰⁸Pb target for 36 hrs
 - Excited states with spin up to 8+ was observed



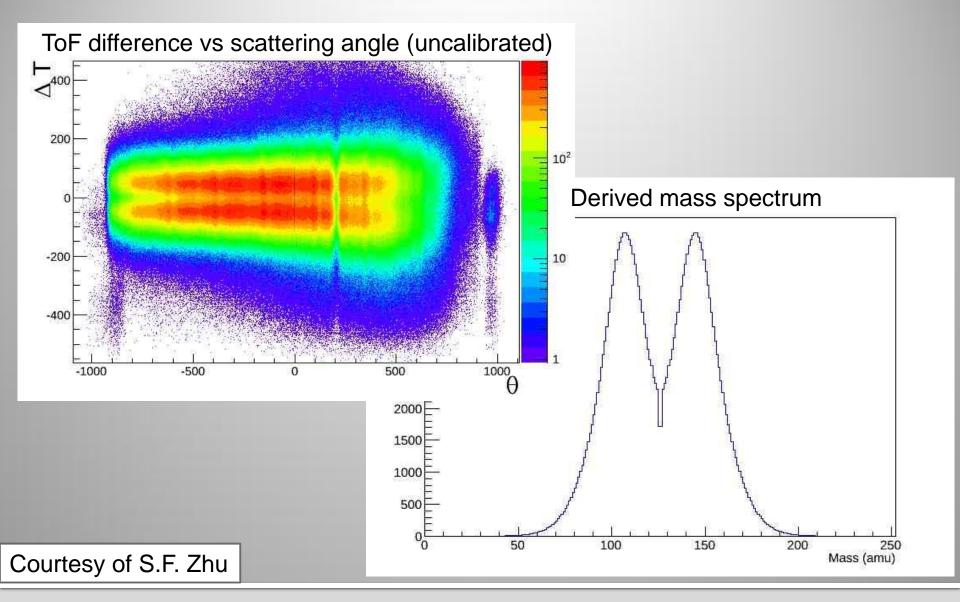
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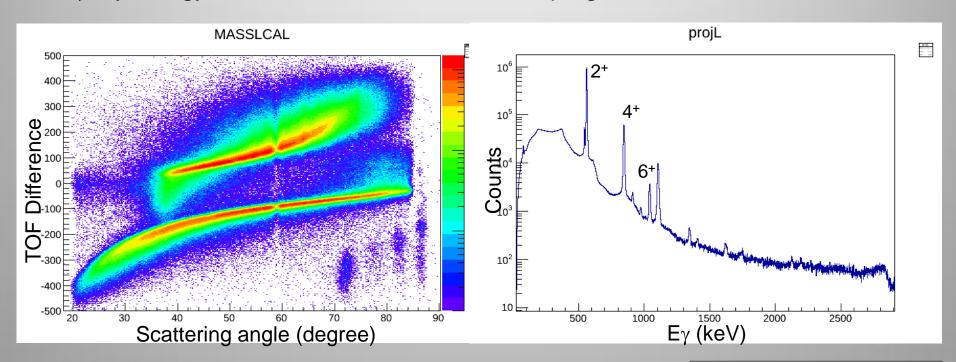


CHICO2 test with a ²⁵²Cf source

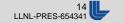


⁷⁶Ge; first GRETINA/CHICO2 experiment

- 318 MeV ⁷⁶Ge on 0.5 mg/cm^{2 208}Pb
- Particle single rate up to 500 k/s for the scattering angle between 20° and 80°
- ~ 100 M p-γ events collected in ~ 36 hrs
- γ-ray energy resolution < 0.78%; work still in progress

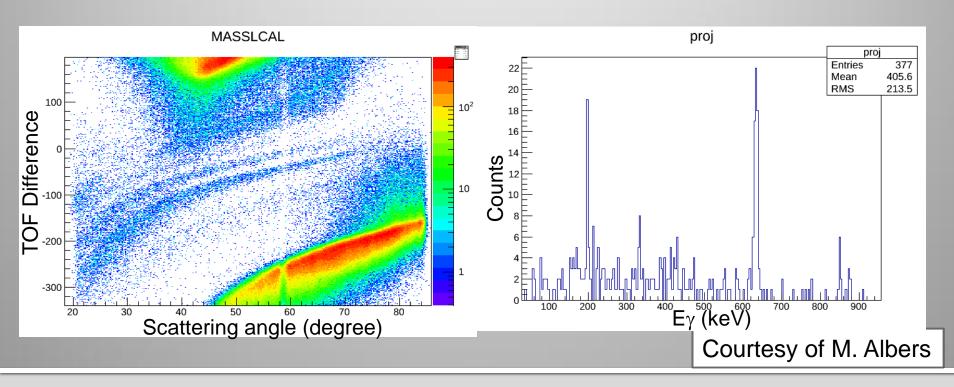


Courtesy of M. Albers



144Ba; CARIBU/GRETINA/CHICO2

- 650 MeV ¹⁴⁴Ba on 1.0 mg/cm² ²⁰⁸Pb
- Particle single rate up to > 1000 s for the scattering angle between 20° and 80°



Summary

- CHICO2 has been successfully integrated into (Digital)Gammasphere and GRETINA.
 - · It has reached the position resolution as designed;
 - 0.7° (σ) for θ and 1.4° for ϕ
- Current status of GRETINA/CHICO2
 - Coulomb excitation of ⁷²Ge and ⁷⁶Ge was complete
 - Coulomb excitation of ¹⁴⁴Ba is ongoing
 - Coulomb excitation of ¹⁴⁶Ba is scheduled