

A horizontal evaluation of beta- delayed proton emitting nuclei

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β – delayed proton emission

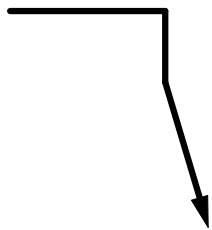
- What is it?
- Why is it important?
- plans/progress
- Last evaluation of β -p was:
"Delayed Proton Radioactivities" J. Cerny and J.
C. Hardy, Ann.Rev.Nucl.Part.Sci. 27, 333 (1977).



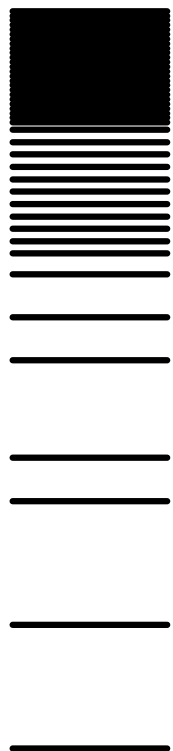
β -p emission

β -delayed proton emission is a two step process where a nucleus (A, Z) β^- decays (or electron capture) to a state in an intermediate precursor nucleus $(A, Z-1)$, then emits a proton from that state to the ground or excited state of the daughter $(A-1, Z-2)$.

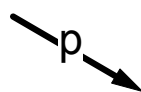
Precursor
 (A, Z)



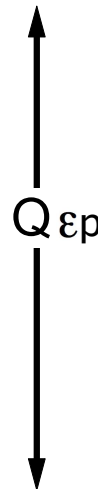
Data is important for
Nuclear Structure &
Astrophysical calculations



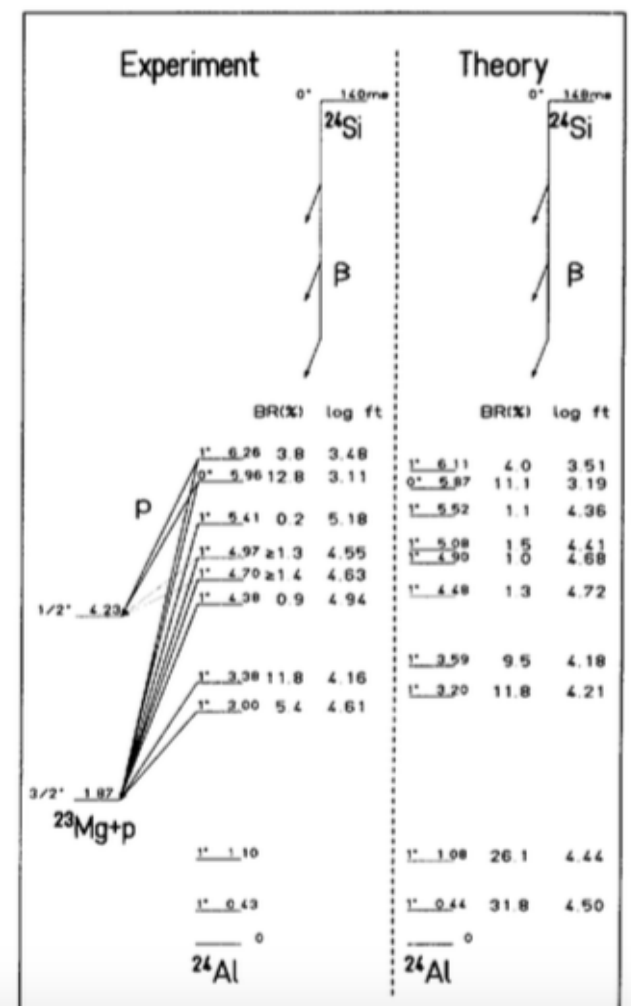
Emitter
 $(A, Z-1)$



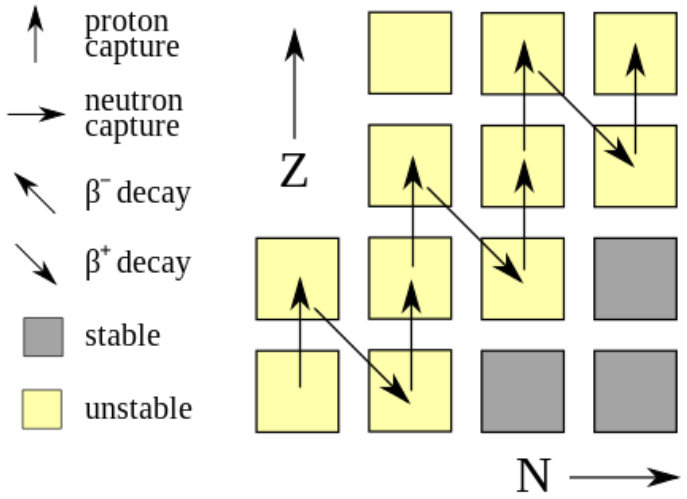
Daughter
 $(A-1, Z-2)$



S. Czajkowski et al. / Nuclear Physics A 628 (1998) 537-546



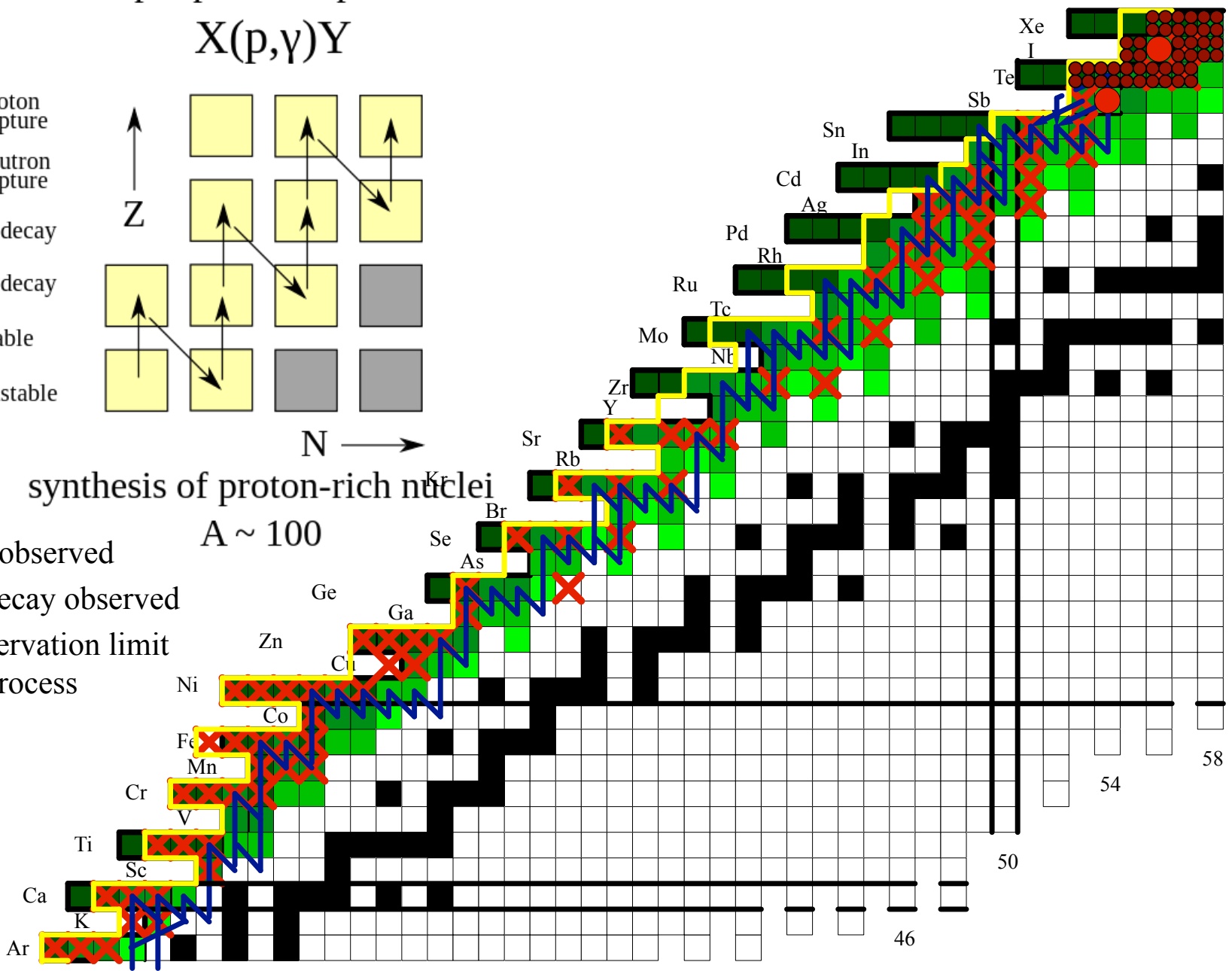
rp-process
rapid proton captures



synthesis of proton-rich nuclei

A ~ 100

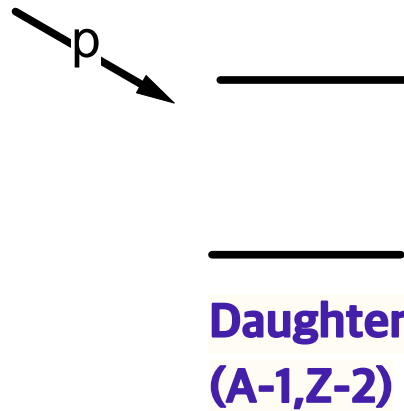
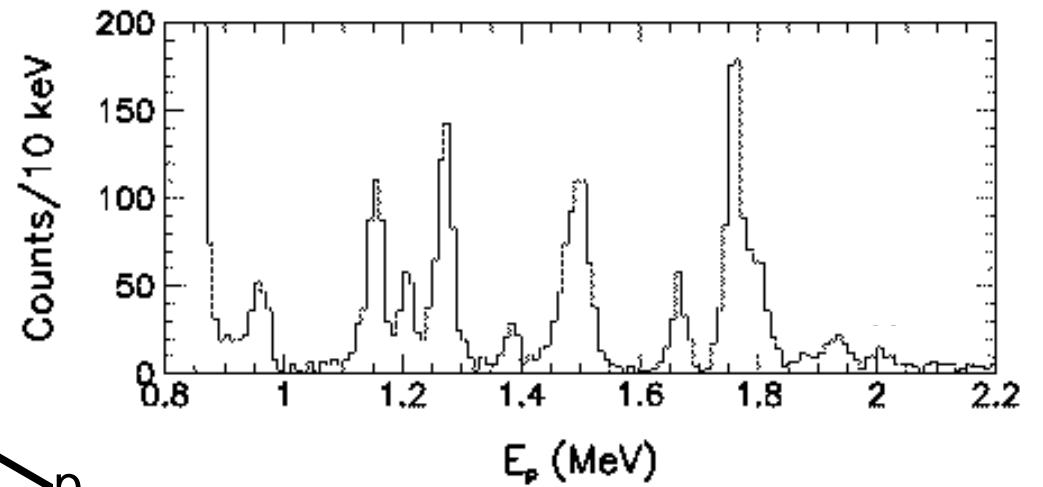
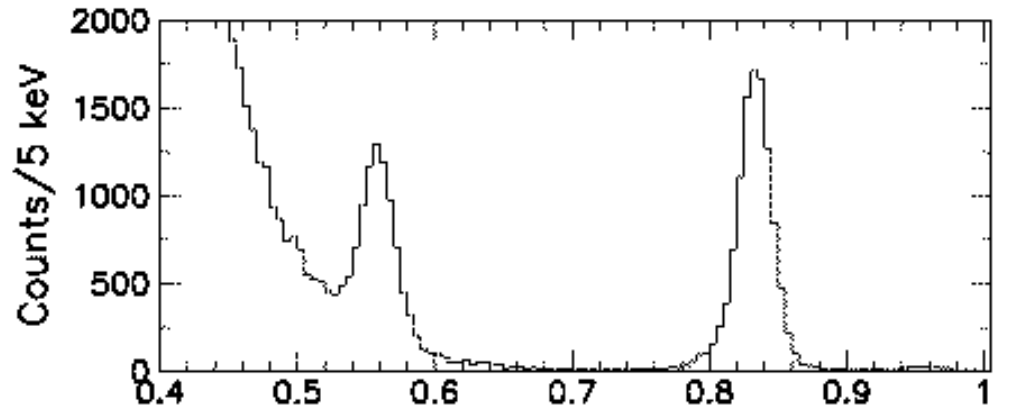
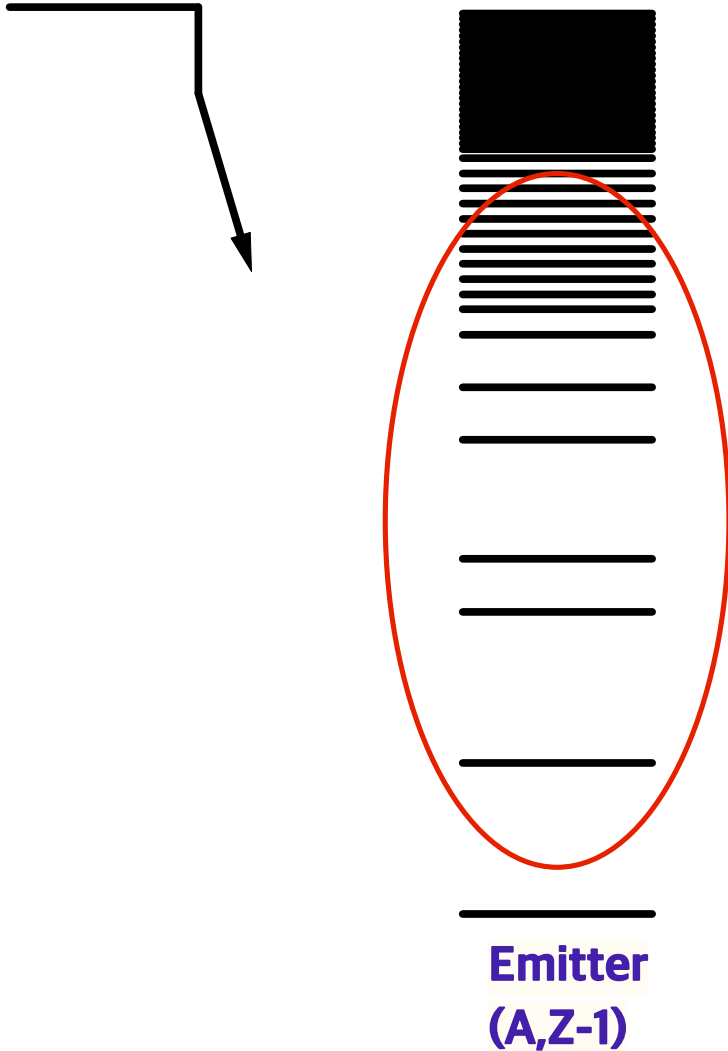
- ✗ β-p observed
- ⊗ α Decay observed
- observation limit
- rp process



Large $Q_{\epsilon p}$

Precursor
(A,Z)

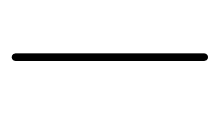
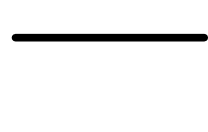
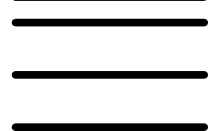
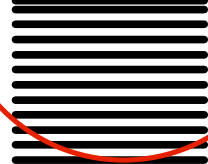
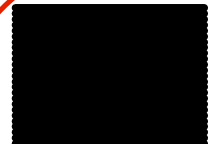
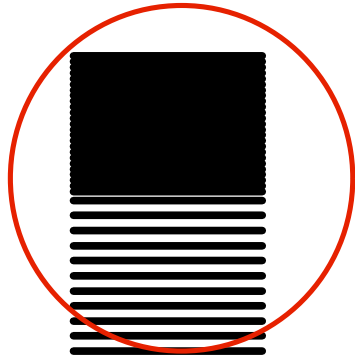
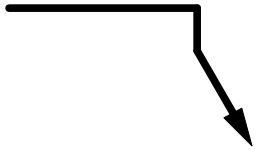
Very large branching ratios



O.S. Kirsebom, *et al.*
Eur. Phys. J. A (2011) 47: 130

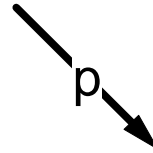
Small $Q_{\epsilon p}$

Precursor
(A,Z)

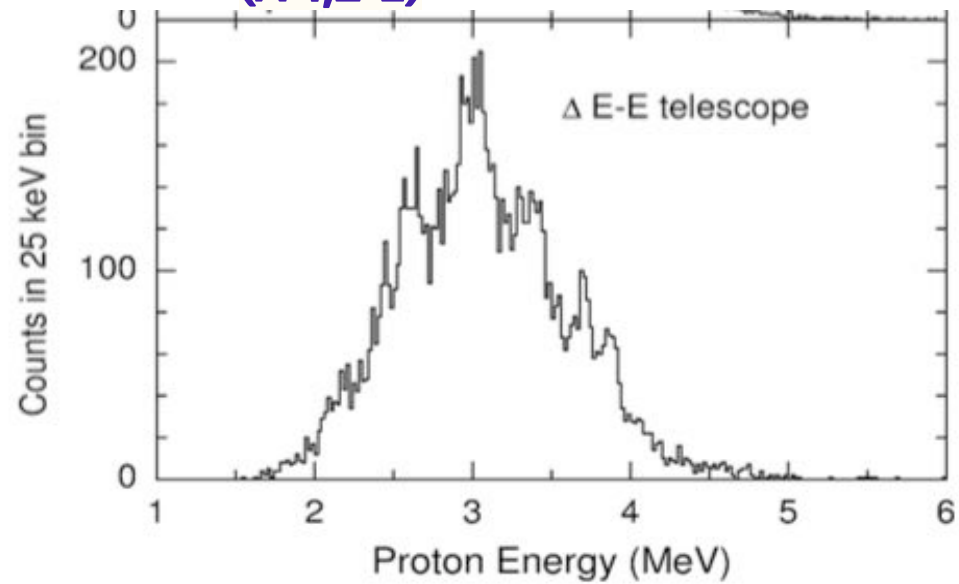


Emitter
(A,Z-1)

Small branching ratios



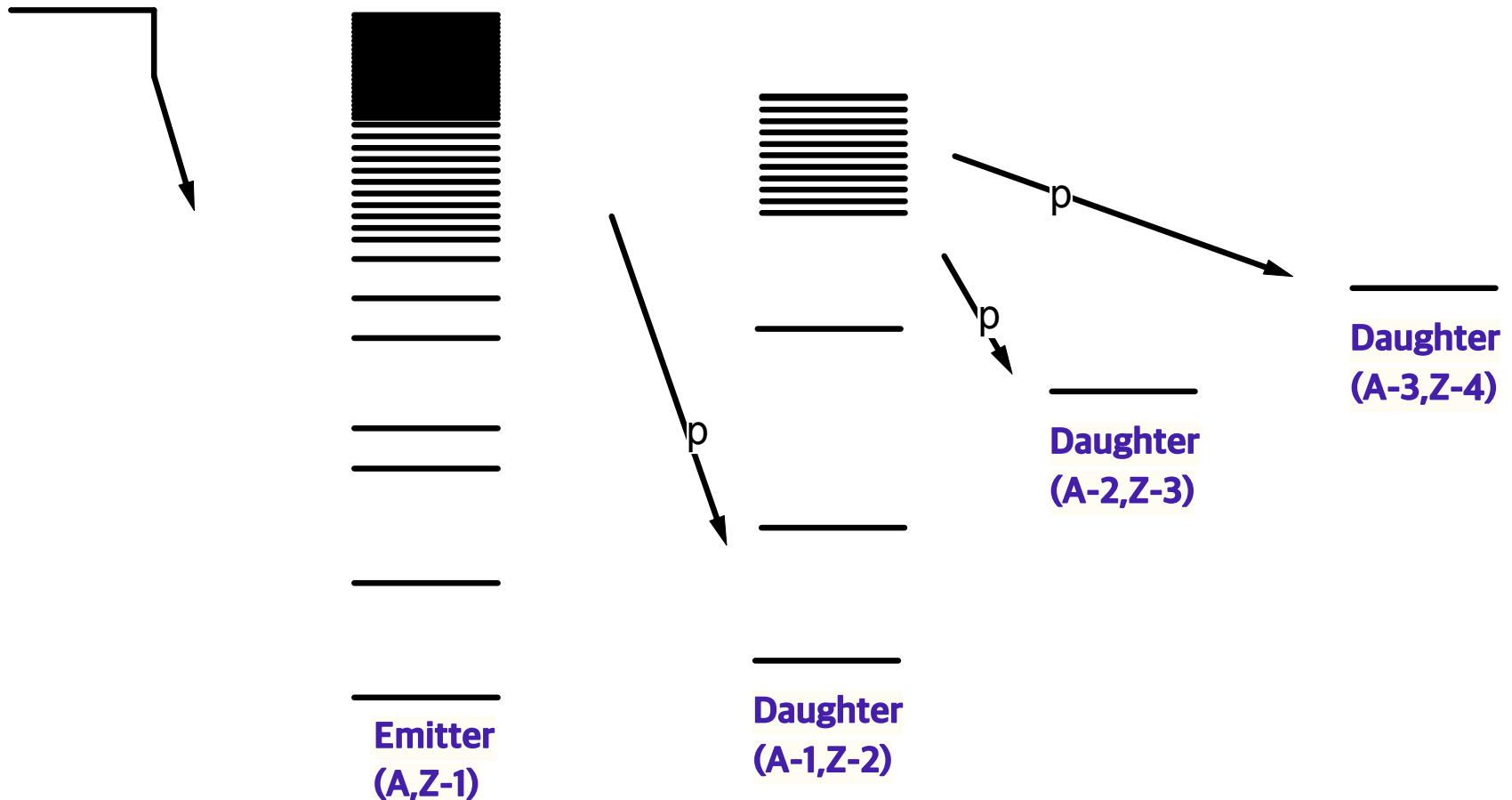
Daughter
(A-1,Z-2)



β – delayed 2 & 3proton emission

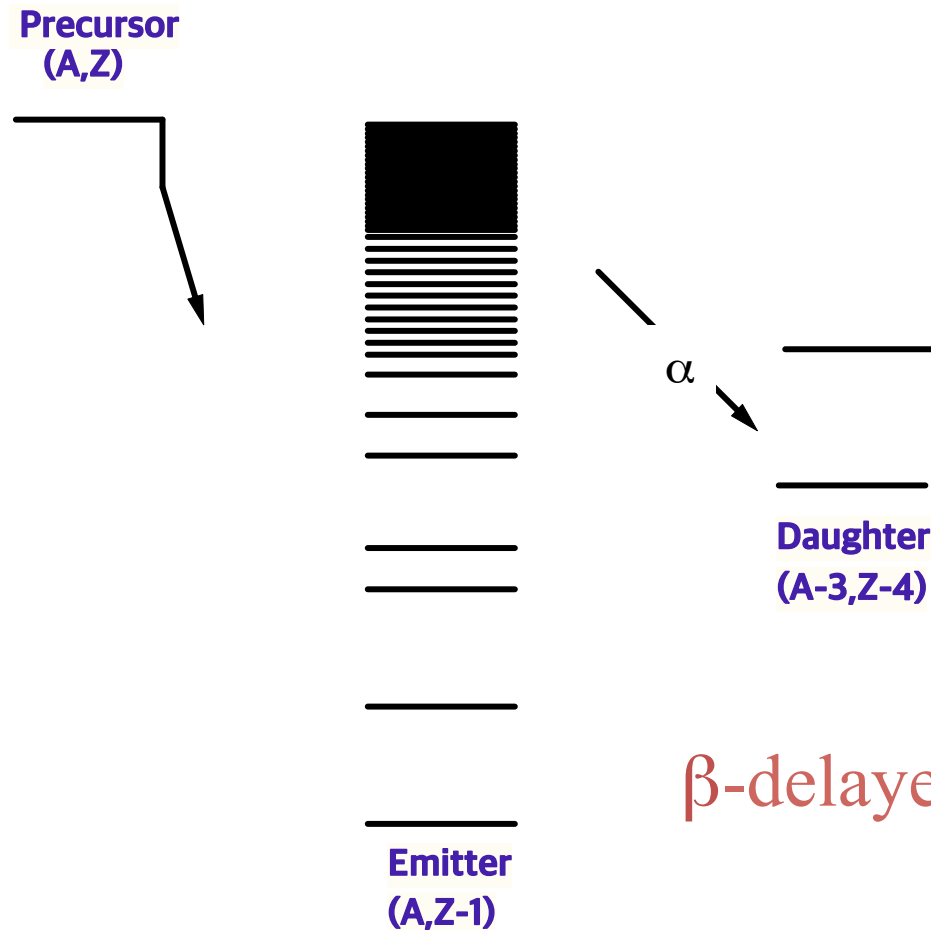
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Precursor
(A,Z)



β – delayed alpha emission

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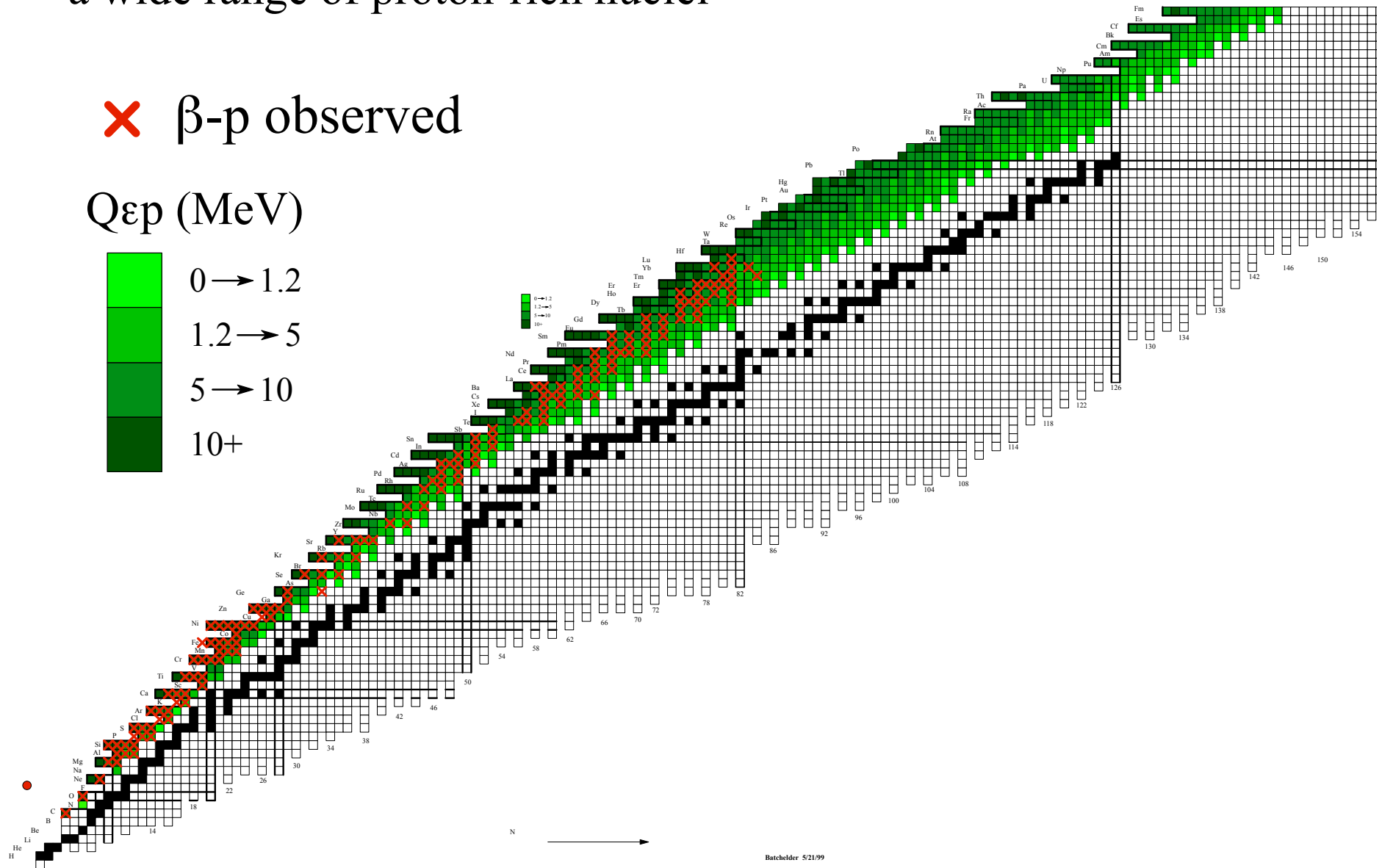
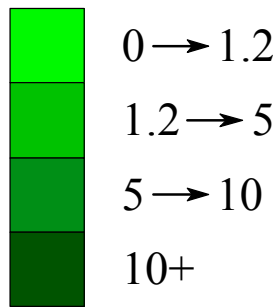


β -delayed α emission

β -p is energetically possible and has been observed over a wide range of proton-rich nuclei

✗ β -p observed

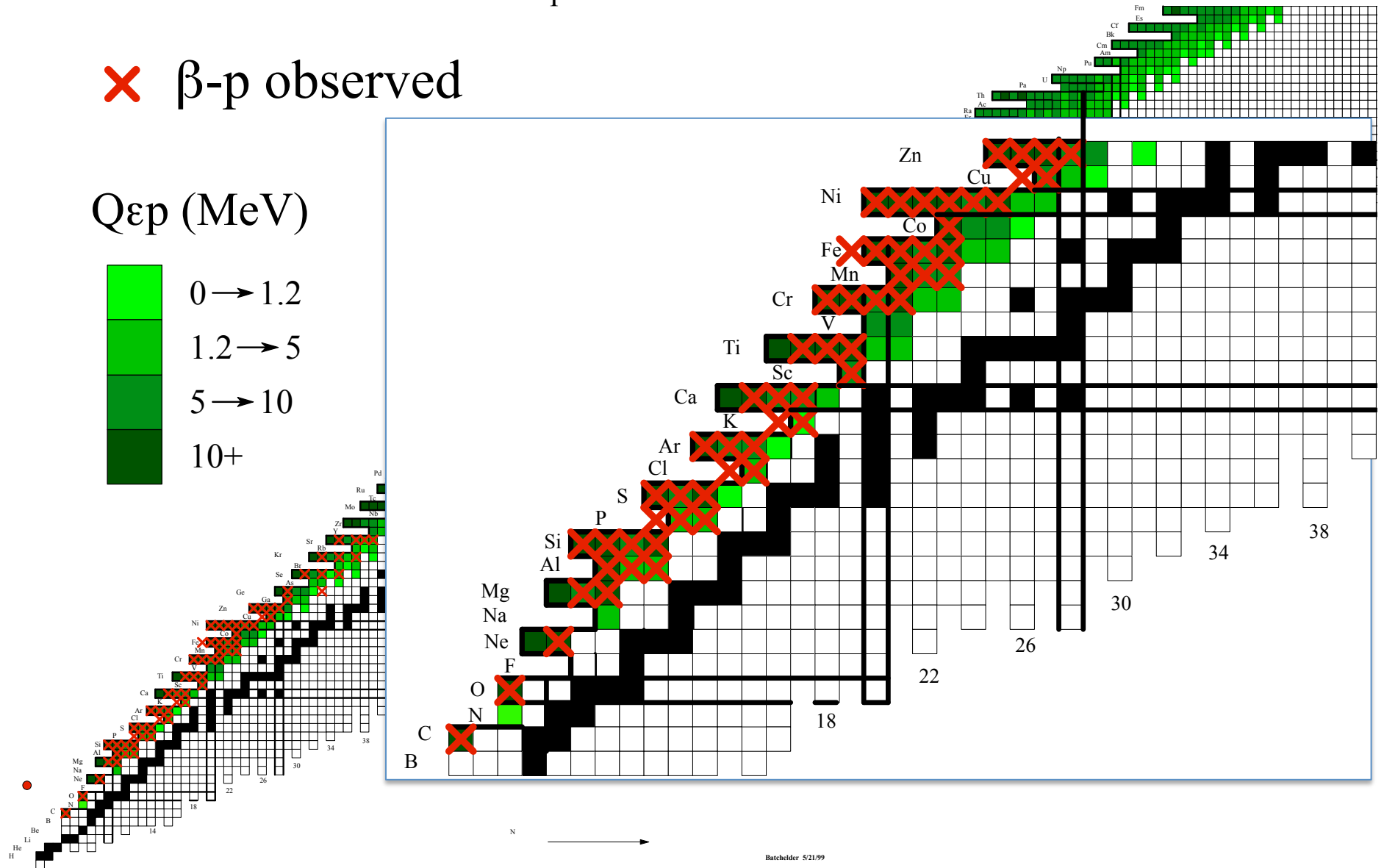
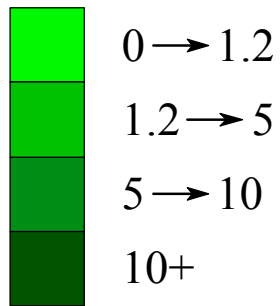
$Q_{\beta p}$ (MeV)



Many studies both older and recent have been done on the lighter nuclei with high $Q_{\beta p}$

✗ β -p observed

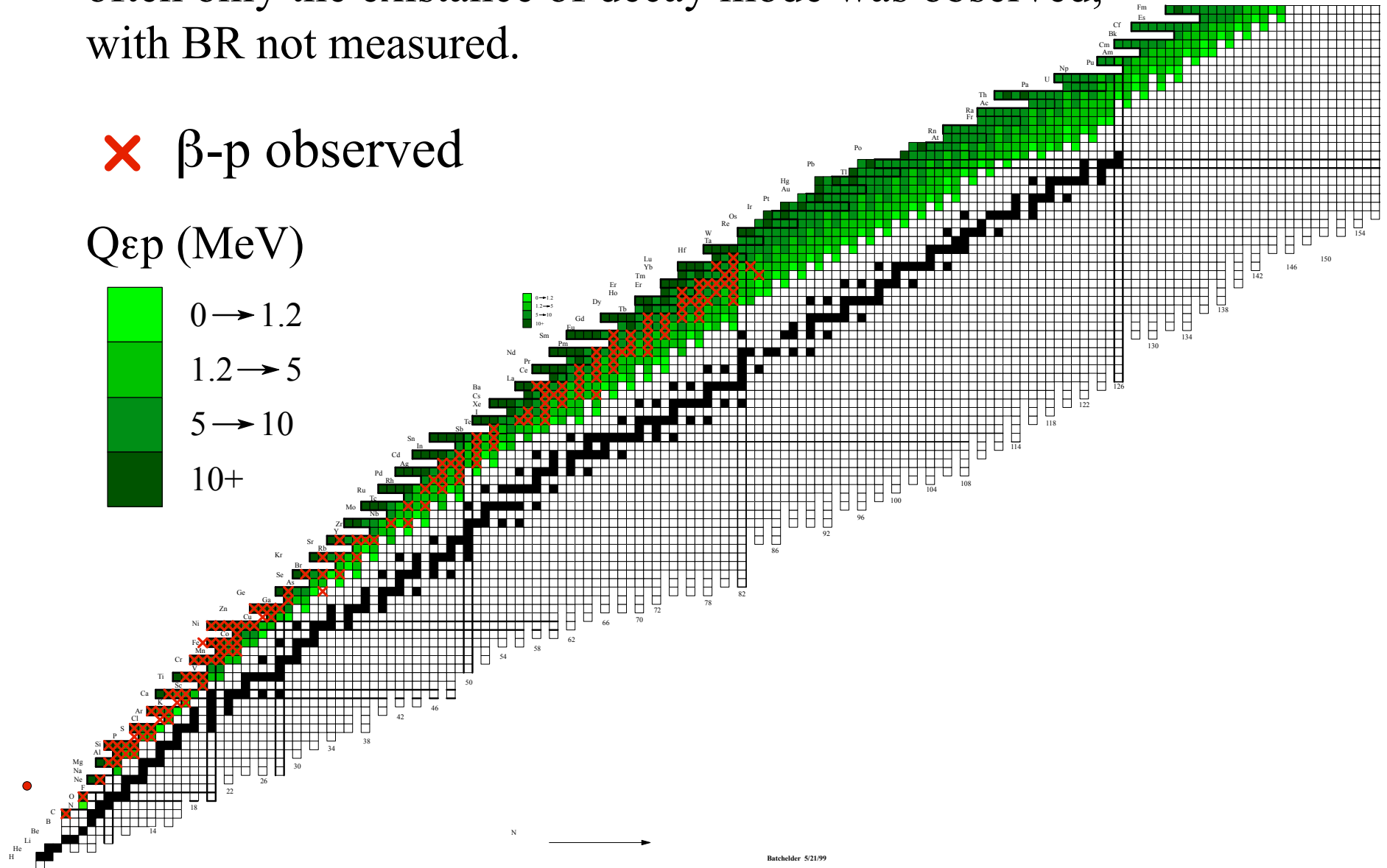
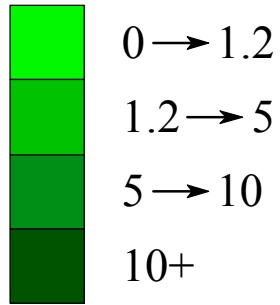
$Q_{\beta p}$ (MeV)



Far fewer studies on heavier β -p nuclei
 often only the existence of decay mode was observed,
 with BR not measured.

✗ β -p observed

$Q_{\beta p}$ (MeV)



At higher Z, α -decay dominates

- Proton Decay observed
- Alpha Decay observed
- × β -p observed

$Q_{\beta p}$ (MeV)

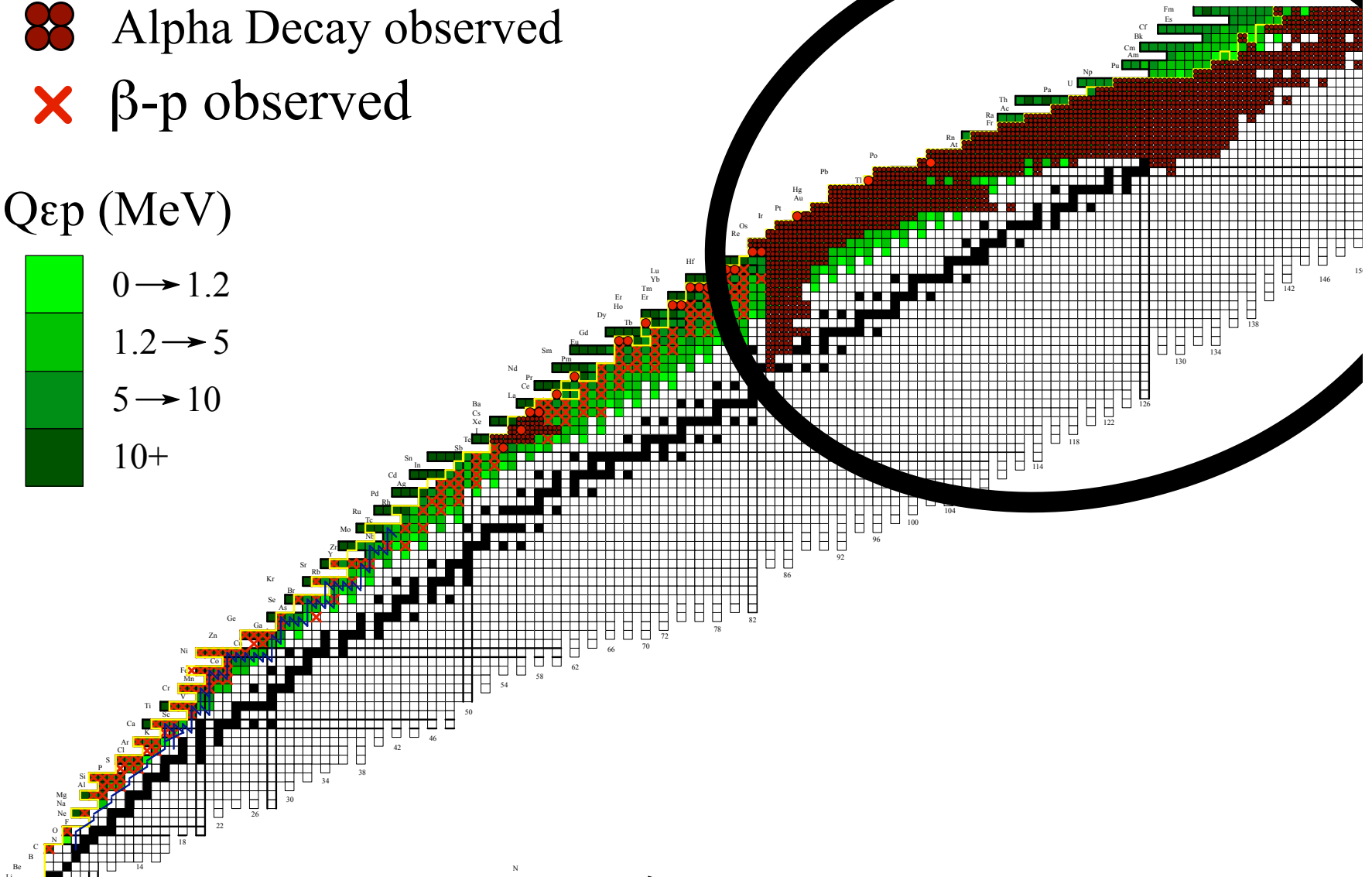
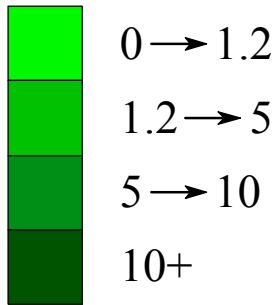


table with A, Z, $T_{1/2}$, J^π , $Q_{\epsilon p}$, BR(%), refs

171 β -p emitters
 11 β -2p emitters
 3 β -3p emitters
 7 β - α emitters

plots of known and predicted emitters
 plot of $Q_{\epsilon p}$ vs BR

B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
A	Z	J $^\pi$	t $_{1/2}$	Q $_{\epsilon p}$ (MeV)	BR (%) beta-p	BR (%) beta-2p	BR (%) beta-3p	Q $_{\epsilon \alpha}$ (MeV)	BR (&%) beta-a	Refs
9	C		126.5(9) ms	16.6680(2)	61.60%			14.81(5)	38(6)%	2004Ti06, 1988Mi03,2000Ge09,2001Be51
13	O	3/2-	8.58(5) ms	15.83(1)	10.9 (20)					2005Kn02
17	Ne	1/2-	109.2(6) ms	13.9485(4)	\approx 100					1988Bo39
20	Mg		90.8(24) ms	28.52(3)	30.3(14)%					1995Pi03, 2012Wa15
20	Na		447.9(23) ms	1.049(1)				9.163(1)	20.1(93)%	2013La22
21	Mg	5/2+	122(3) ms	10.67(2)	32.6(10)%			6.537(17)	<0.5%	1973Se08
22	Al	4+	91.1(5) ms	13.1(4)#	44(3)%	1.10(11)%				2006Ac04, 1997Bi03,1982Ca16
22	Si	0+	29(2) ms	15.14(50)#	32(4)%					1996Bi11, 1997Cz02
23	Si		42.3(4) ms	16.8(5)#	71(3)%	3.6(3)%				1997Cz02, 1997Bi04
23	Al	5/2+	446(6) ms	4.6406(4)	1.22(5)%					1995Ti08, 2011Ki26
24	Al	4+	2.053(4) s	2.193(1)	0.0016(3)%			4.569(1)	0.035(6)%	1979Ho08, 1994Ba54
24	Si	0+	140(8) ms	8.93(3)	38(4)%					1998Cz01,2001Ba07
25	Si	5/2+	220(3) ms	10.47(1)	35.0(20)%					2004Th09
26	P	3+	43.7(6) ms	12.6(2)#	36.8(22)%	2.16(24)%				2004Th09,1983Ca06
27	S	(5/2)+	15.5(15) ms	16.88(40)#	2.3(9)%	2.0(11)%				1991Bo32, 2001Ca60

To do:

Evaluation is mostly done ($\sim 80\%$) ish...

Make separate table for β -2p (and β -3p)

& Separate table for $\beta\alpha$

create 2d plot of $Q_{\epsilon p}$ vs. BR. vs. Z



