
Numerical study of $K\alpha$ radiation from high density plasma by energetic charged particles

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Motivation

In the fast ignition research,
fast electrons play an essential role in the viewpoint of energy transport.

With the use of $K\alpha$ radiation,

1.) Distribution of $K\alpha$ spectra gives bulk-plasma temperature information.

Fast electrons contribute to ionize the K-shell.

Cold bulk electrons mainly ionize the outer-shell bound electrons.

2.) Potentiality of sub pico-second x-ray source.

Related papers:

T. Kawamura, et al., PRE, Vol.66, 016402,(2002)

H. Nishimura, et al., JQSRT, Vol.81, pp. 327,(2003), Erratum:Vol87,pp.211,(2004)

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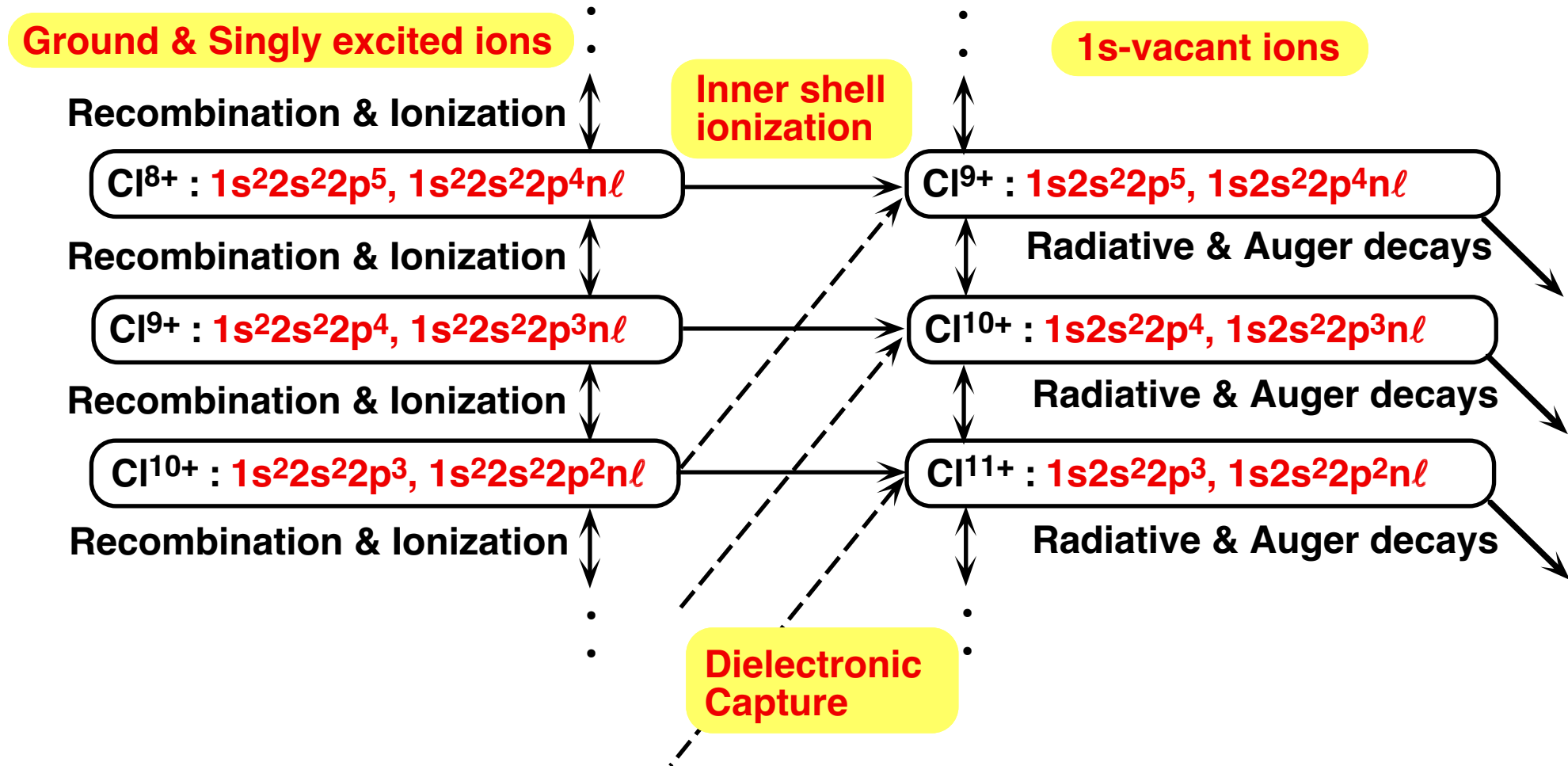
Outline

1.) Present status of development of the corresponding kinetics code
for fast ignition research with CHCl plastic targets.

2.) Consideration of **$K\alpha$ radiation by energetic heavy ions.**

Population kinetics modeling on $K\alpha$ emission.

1s-vacant ions are created via inner-shell ionization by fast electrons.



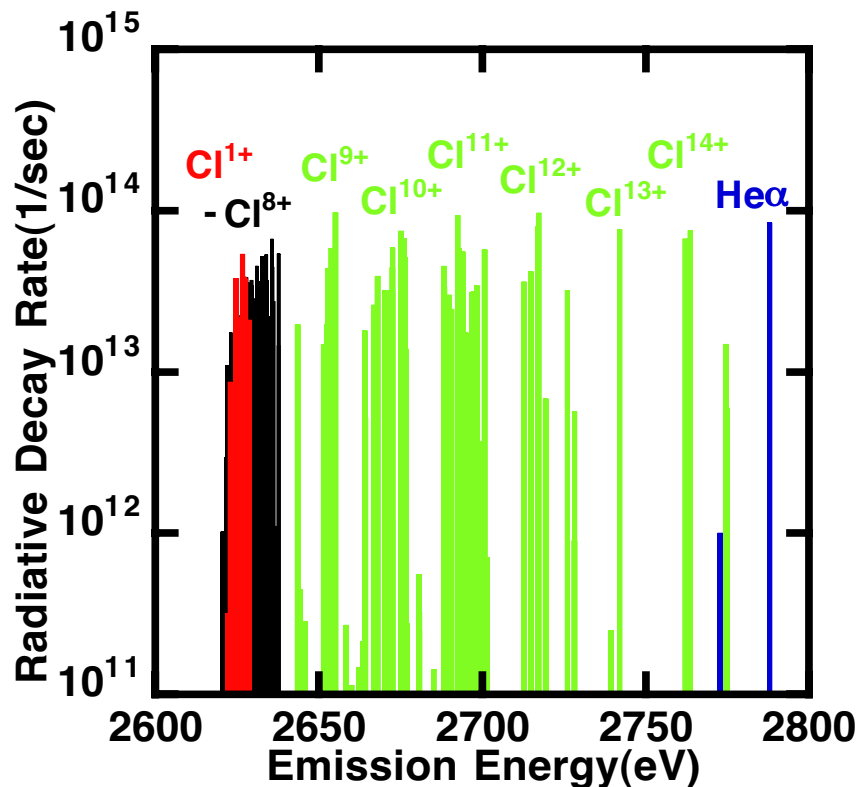
Population : $P_{Gnd} \& P_{Exc} \gg P_{1s-vacant}$

Transition energies and radiative decay rates for $K\alpha$ lines of partially ionized chlorine atoms are calculated with **GRASP-code**.



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Cl^+ : $1s^2 2s^2 2p^5 3s^2 3p^5 - 1s 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^5$

Cl^{2+} : $1s^2 2s^2 2p^5 3s^2 3p^4 - 1s 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^4$

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Cl^{8+} : $1s^2 2s^2 2p^5 - 1s 2s^2 2p^6$

Cl^{9+} : $1s^2 2s^2 2p^4 - 1s 2s^2 2p^5$

Cl^{10+} : $1s^2 2s^2 2p^3 - 1s 2s^2 2p^4$

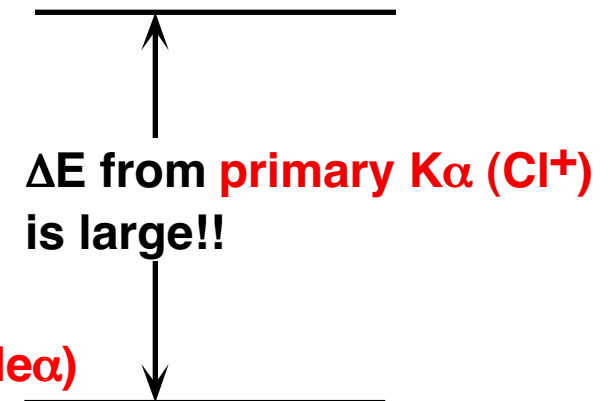
Cl^{11+} : $1s^2 2s^2 2p^2 - 1s 2s^2 2p^3$

Cl^{12+} : $1s^2 2s^2 2p - 1s 2s^2 2p^2$

Cl^{13+} : $1s^2 2s^2 - 1s 2s^2 2p$

Cl^{14+} : $1s^2 2s - 1s 2s 2p$

Cl^{15+} : $1s^2 - 1s 2p$ (He α)



Information of Plasma Temperature can be obtained.

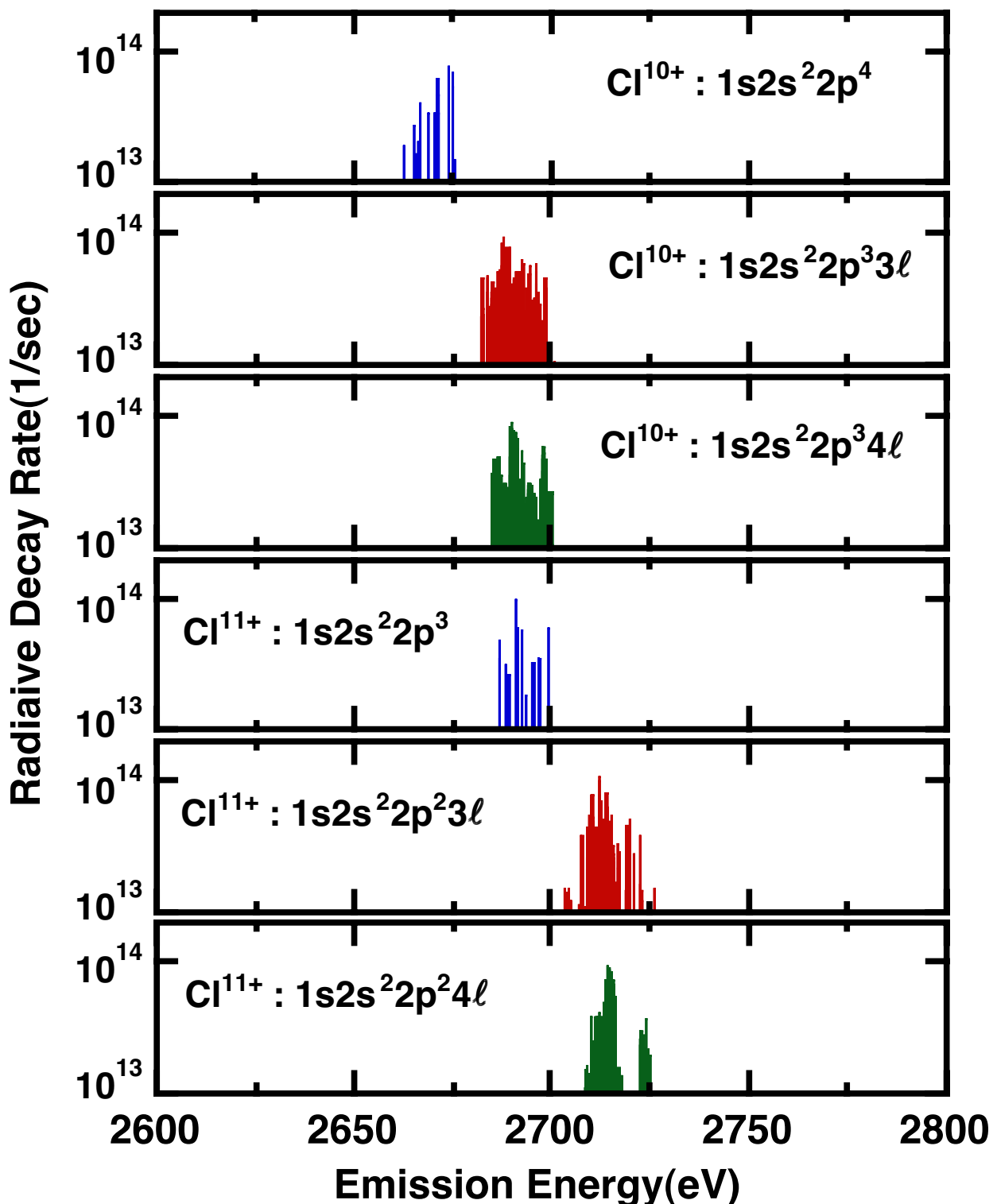
$K\alpha$ -lines of excited states completely overlap with those of the ground state of the next charge state.



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$K\alpha$ transition rates are 10^{13} - 10^{14} 1/sec.

Number of transitions of $1s2s^22p^Nn\ell$ ($n=3-4, N=1-5$) are **15100**.

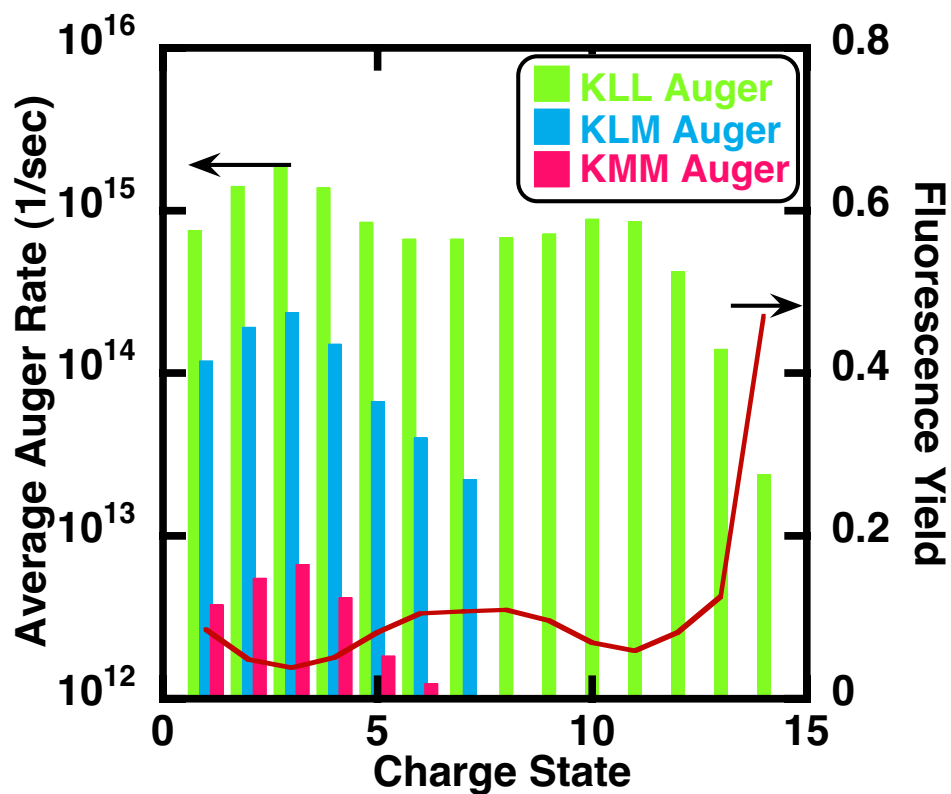


KLL-Auger is the most dominant process of all the Auger transitions for 1s-vacant ions.

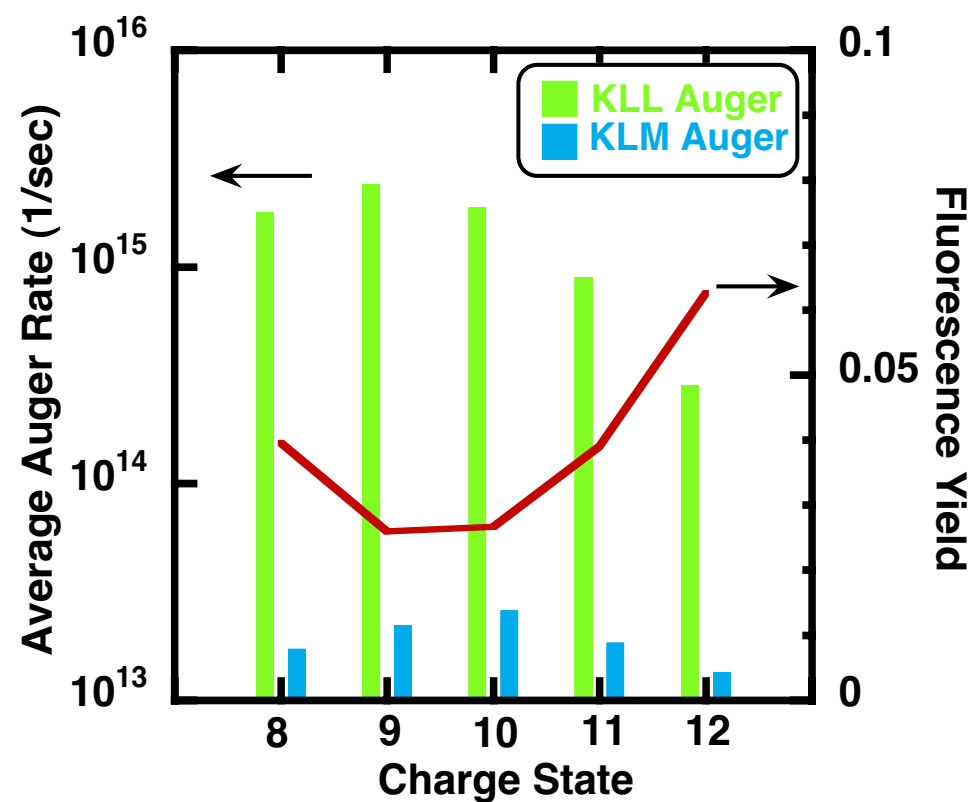


Each Auger transition is calculated by "Auger code".
S.Fritzsche, B.Fricke, Phys. Scr.T41,45(1992)

Ground states of 1s-vacant ions



**Excited states of 1s-vacant ions:
 $1s2s^22p^N3l(N=1-5, l=s,p,d)$**



Average Auger rate of partially ionized Cl is about 10^{14} - 10^{15} 1/sec.

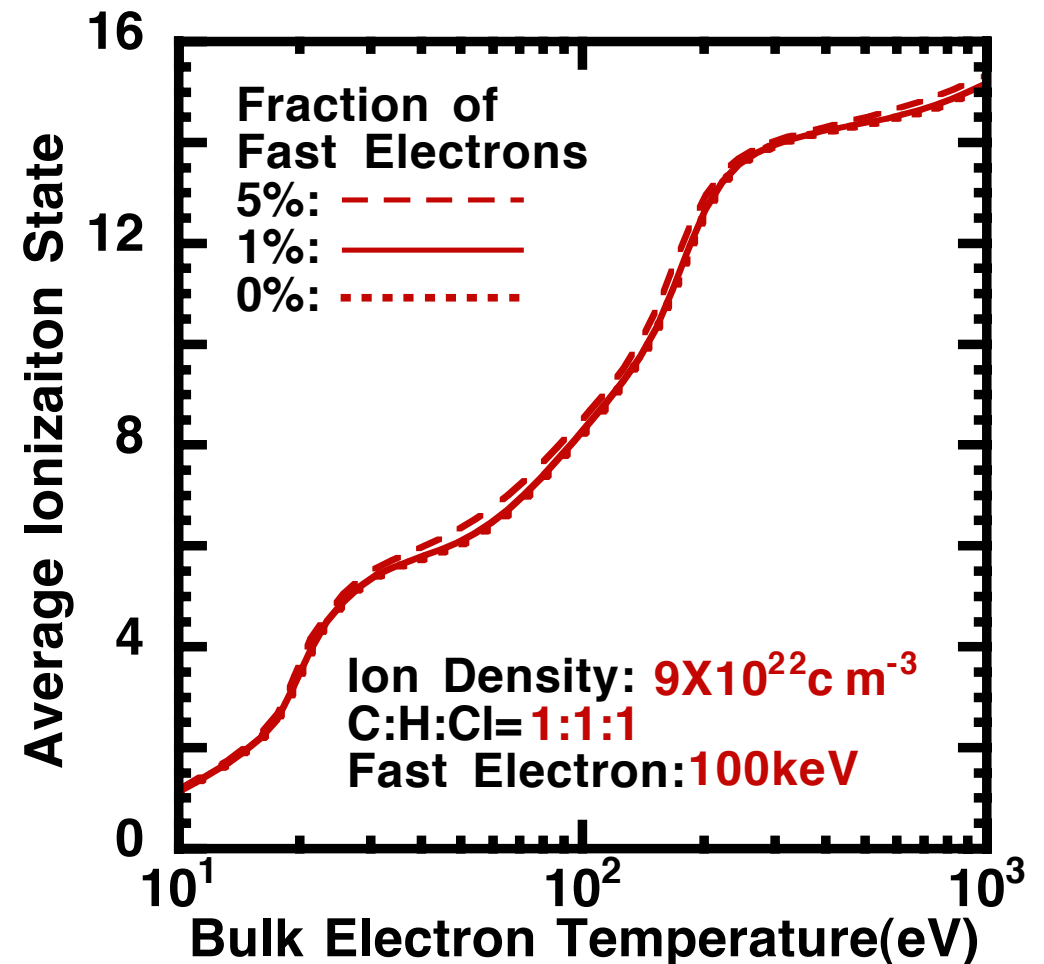
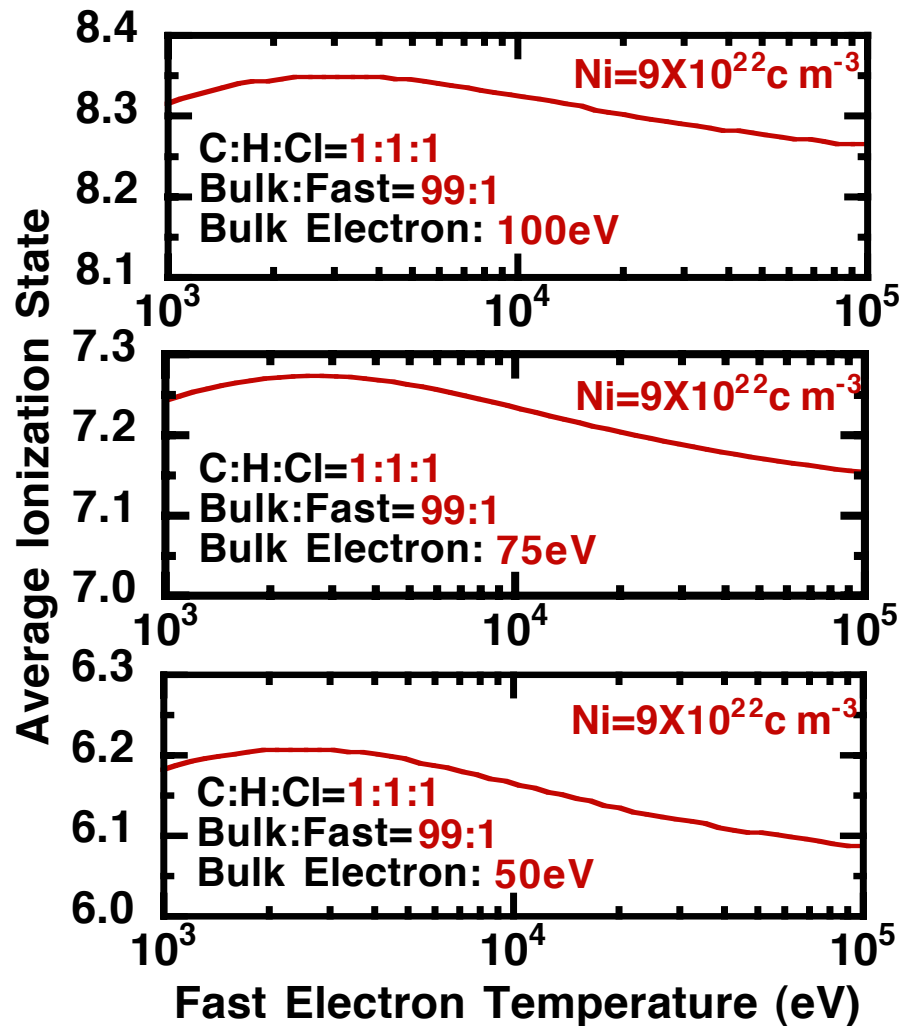
Average charge state is mostly governed by bulk electron temperature.



Total Ion Density : $9 \times 10^{22} \text{cm}^{-3}$ (C:H:Cl = 1:1:1)

Bulk e^- : Fast e^- = 99:1

No Opacity effect



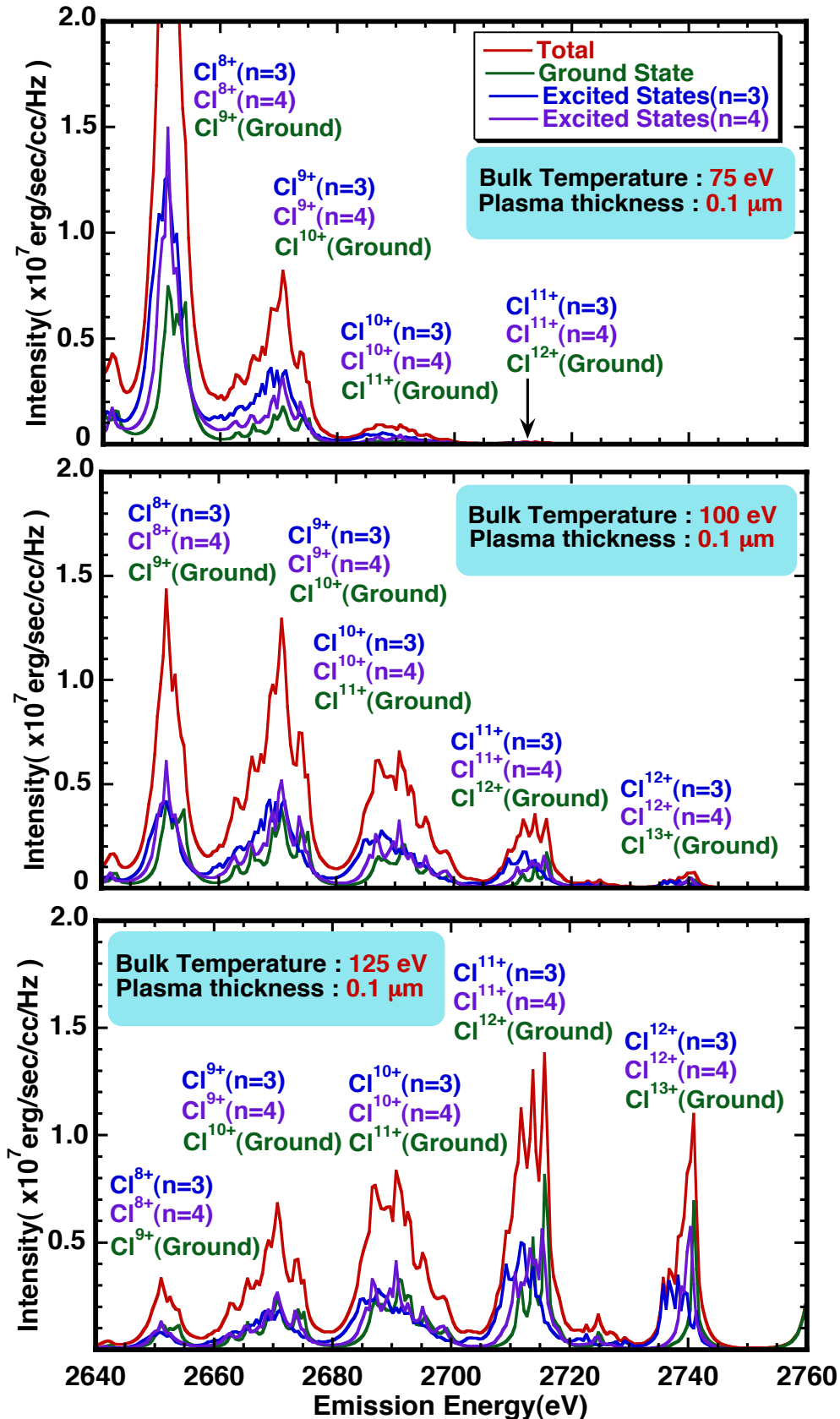
Satellites of **excited states $Cl^{(n-1)+}$** overlap with parent lines of **ground states Cl^{n+}** .



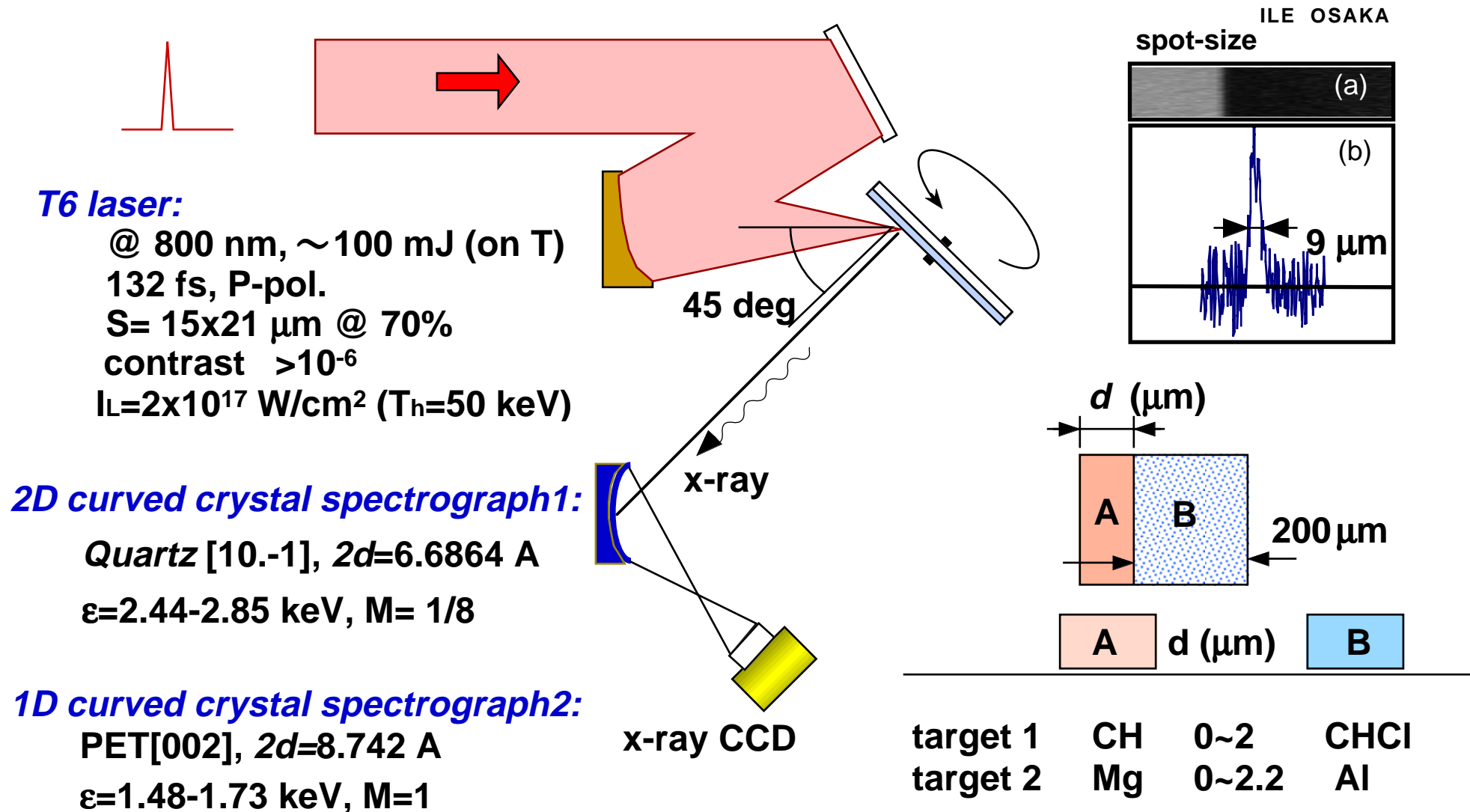
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Ion Density $N_i=9 \times 10^{22} \text{cm}^{-3}$ (C_2H_3Cl)

Fast Electron Temperature : **40 keV**, Bulk e^- : Fast e^- = **99:1**



Experimental setup on T6



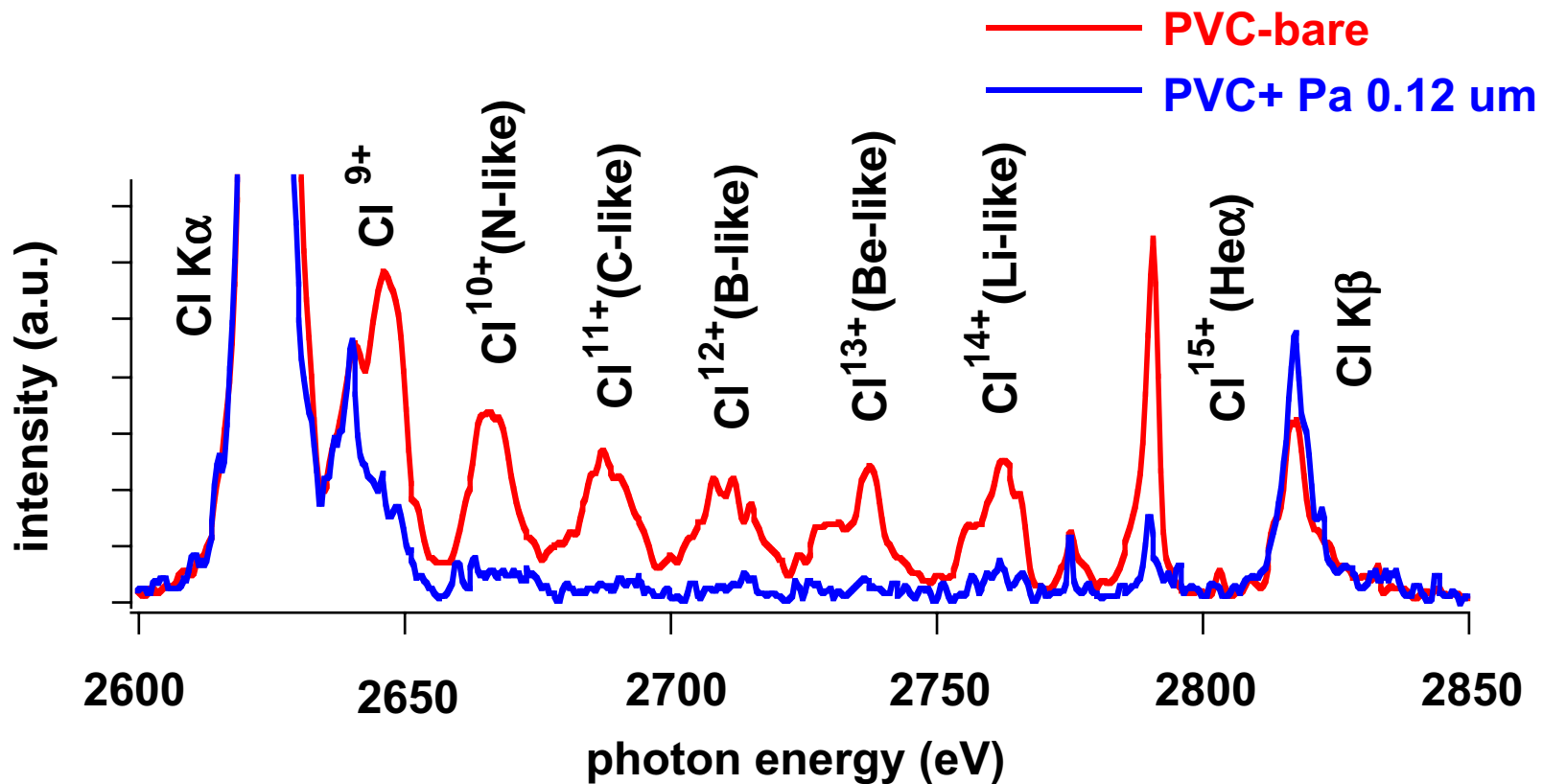
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experimental result 1

The $K\alpha$ lines from partially ionized plasma decrease drastically with increase in thickness of over-coating, inferring energy localization.



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Time evolution of bulk electron temperature and fractional number of fast electrons are obtained from Fokker-Planck code.

- **Simulation was done in the region near target surface.** -

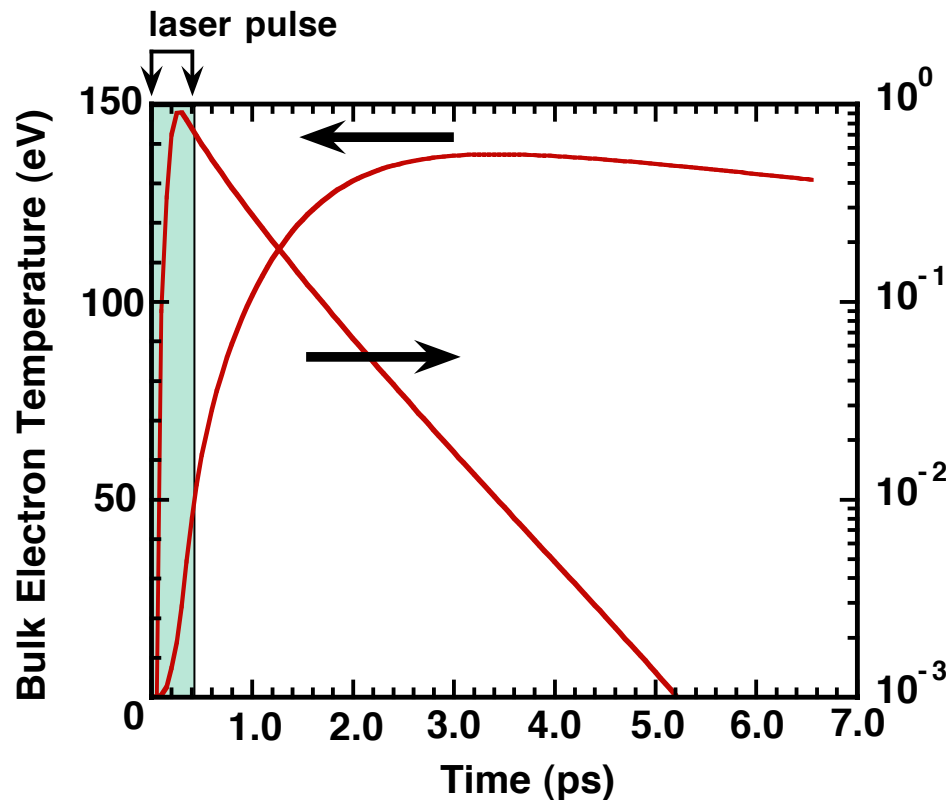


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Neglecting advection term in the F-P equation.



Local deposition near target surface.
Heat transport in the axial direction is inhibited.



Assumptions:

Ion density(C_2H_3Cl) : **Solid density**

Fast electron temperature : **50 keV**

Incident laser energy absorption : **15%**

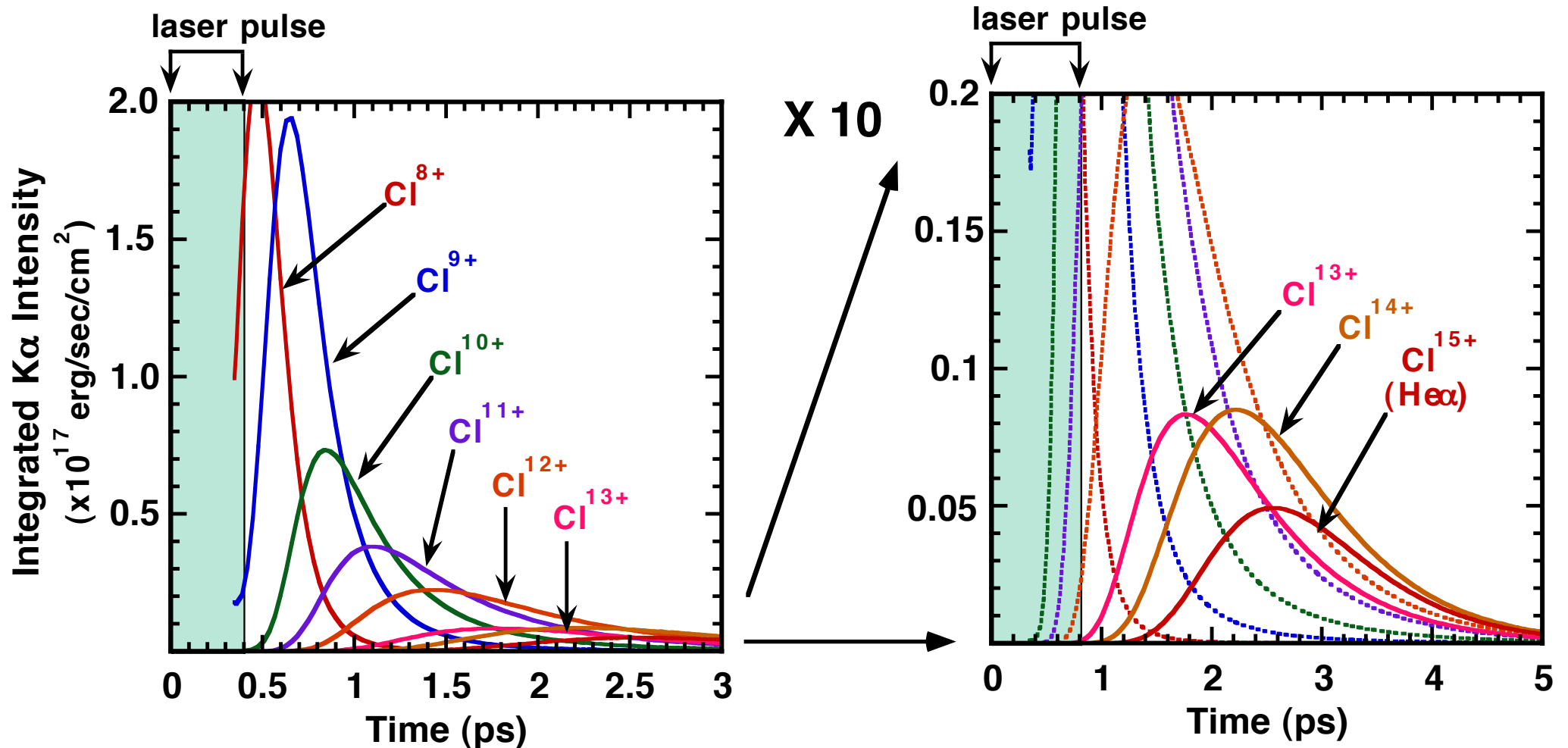
Result:

Bulk electron temperature : **140 eV**

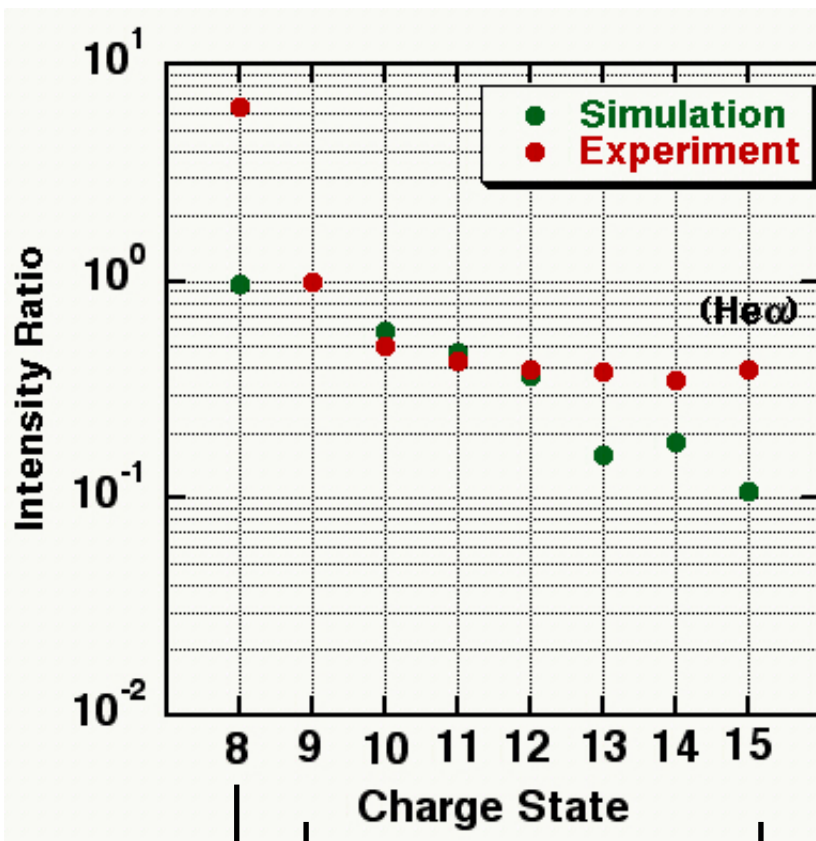
Life-time of fast electron : **several ps**

Time dependent properties of $K\alpha$ radiation combined with Fokker-Planck code are obtained.

- Simulation was done in the region near target surface. -



Comparison between simulation and experiment is made in the framework of intensity ratio for time-integrated data.



Because of unresolved properties;

- 1.) Intensities of $Cl^+ - Cl^{8+}$ are grouped together as **cold $K\alpha$ emissions**.
- 2.) Intensities of **excited states Cl^{n+}** are grouped together with that of **ground state $Cl^{(n+1)+}$** .

Cold $K\alpha$ emission
($Cl^+ - Cl^{8+}$)

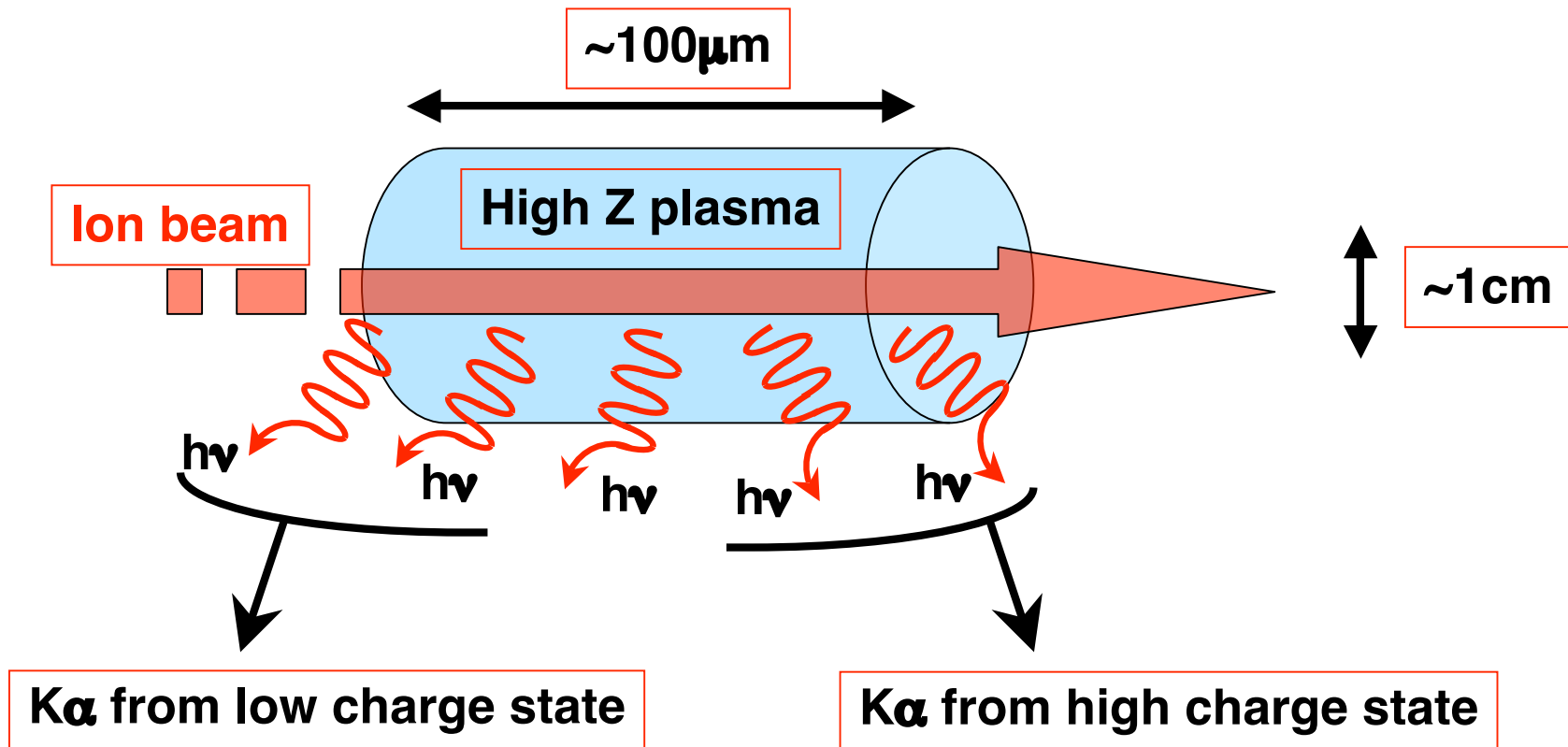
Hot $K\alpha$ emission
($Cl^{9+} - Cl^{15+}$)

Hot $K\alpha$ emissions show good agreement between simulation and experiment results.

Consideration of $K\alpha$ -radiation by ion beams for plasma diagnosis. **With spatial resolved observation of $K\alpha$ -radiation, plasma heating process can be understood clearer than the traditional way of “TOF”.**



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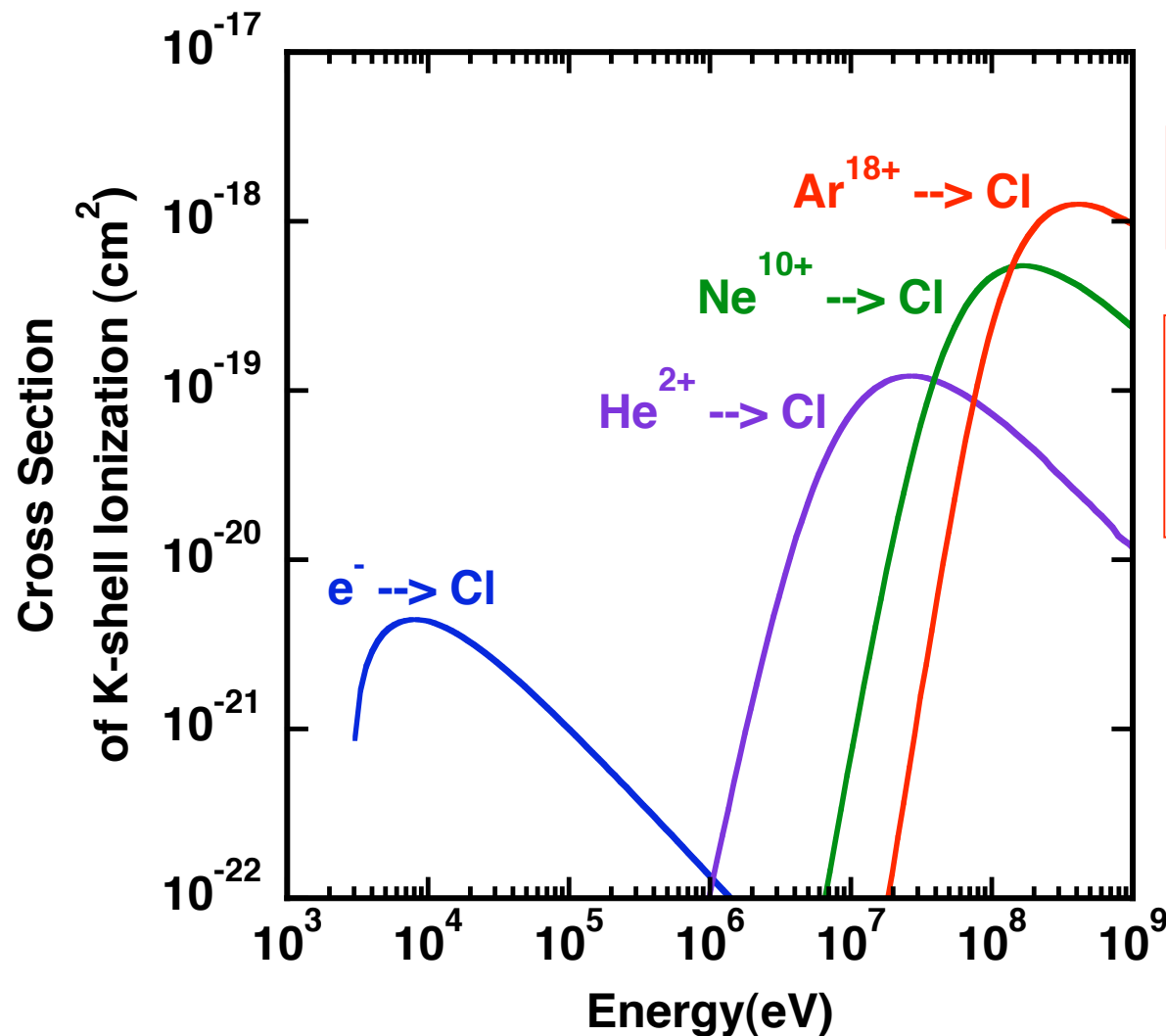


Spatial resolved diagnosis of heating process is possible.

For chlorine plasmas, ion energy of **more than few tens MeV** is necessary to occur the K-shell ionization.



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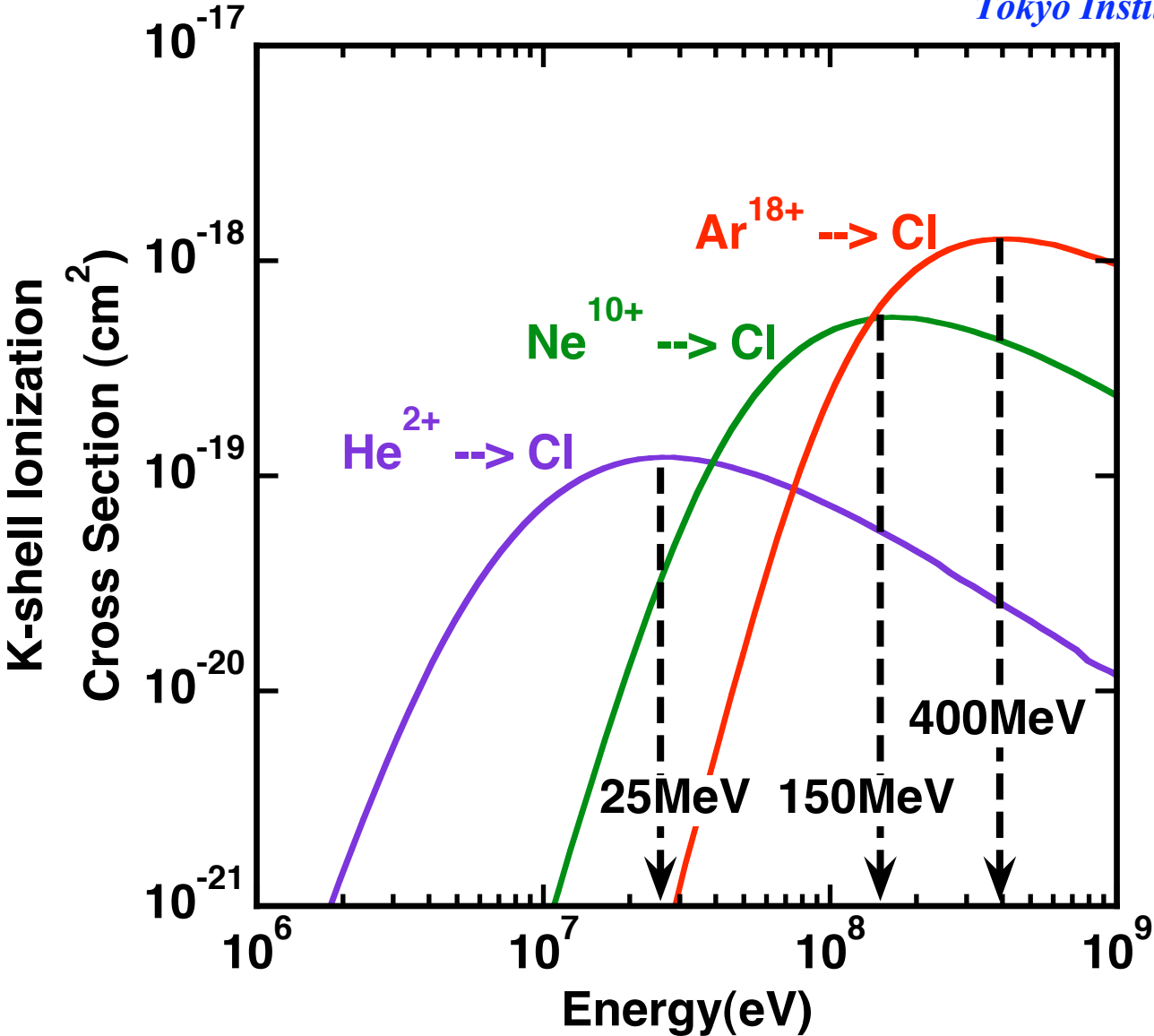
Ion impact K-shell ionization:
ADNDT, Vol.20, pp.503,(1977)

Electron impact ionization:
J. Phys. B: Atom. Molec. Phys.,
Vol.11, pp.541,(1978),
and related papers.

In the calculation, ion energies are set so that the maximum cross sections can be obtained with the energy-spread of 0.1 %, 1%, and 10%.



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For chlorine plasmas, temperature diagnosis by $K\alpha$ -radiation with ion beams is suitable for **electron temperature $T_e < 100$ eV** .

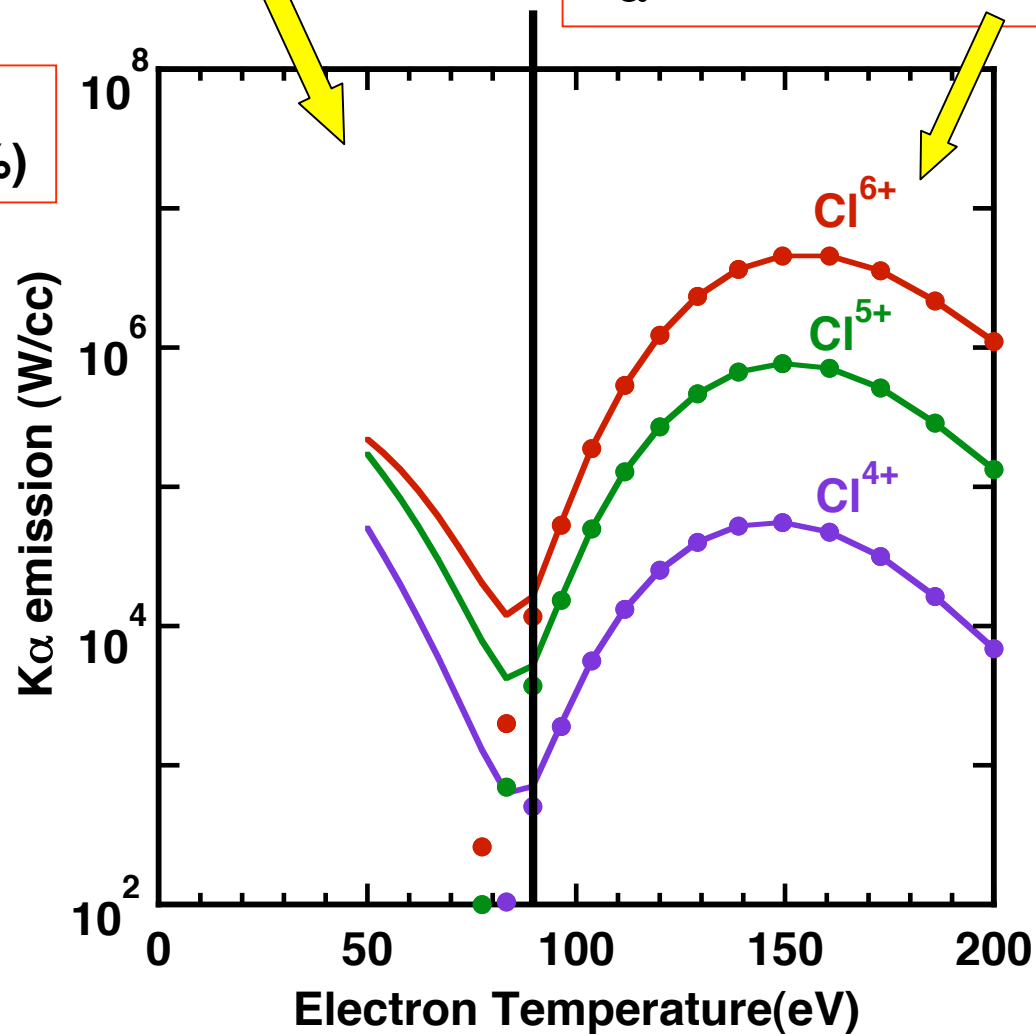


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$K\alpha$ due to the K-shell Ionization by He^{2+} Impact

$K\alpha$ due to Dielectronic Capture

He^{2+} current : 1 kA/cm²
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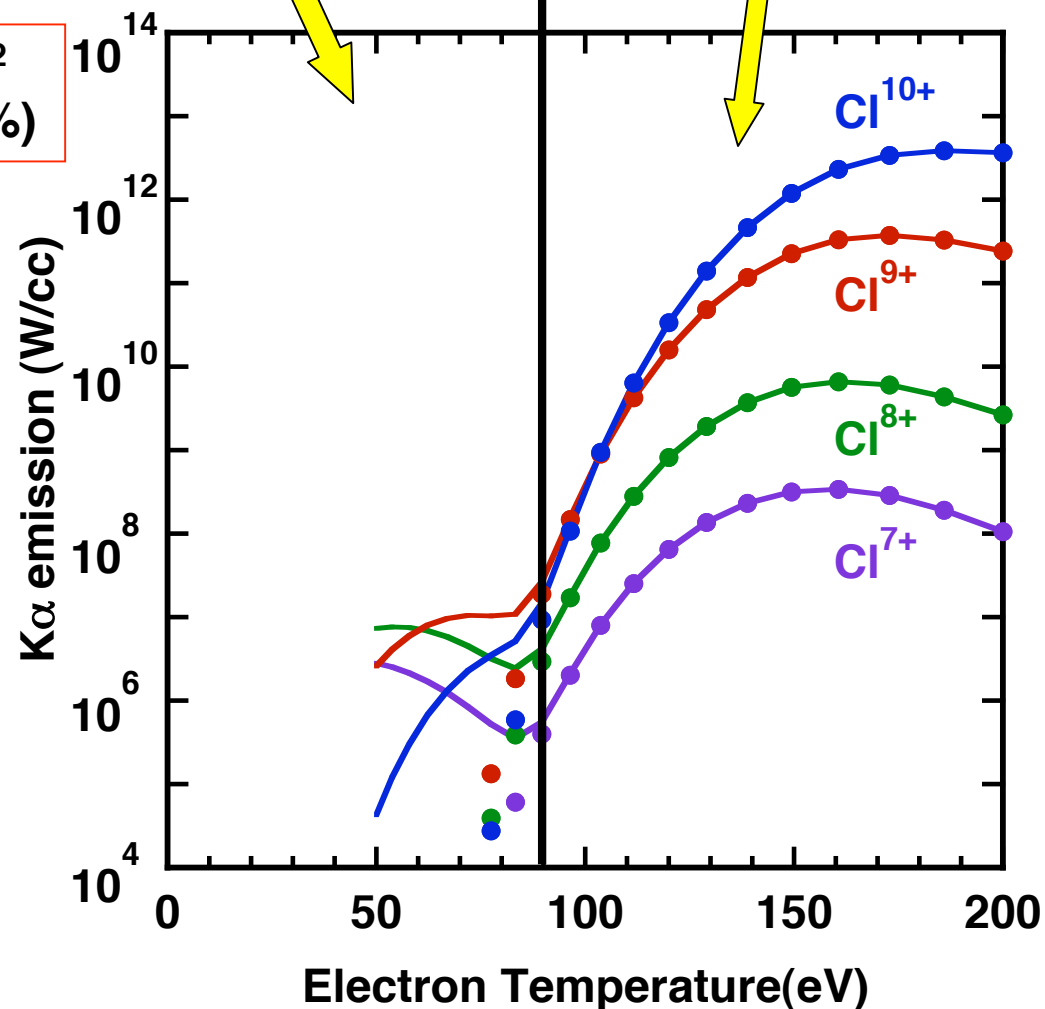


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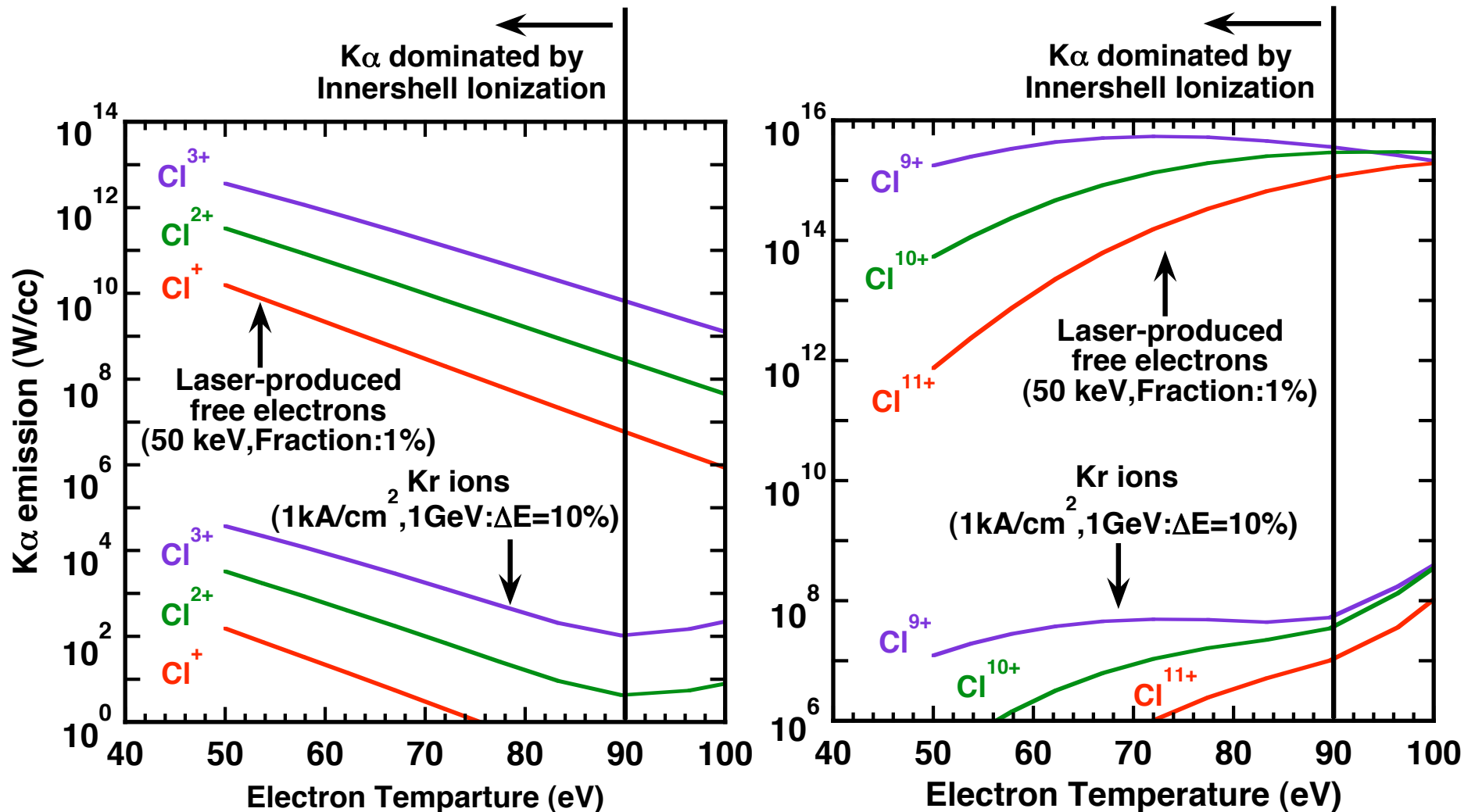


Emission density of $K\alpha$ -radiations is very small in comparison with that by fast electrons generated by sub-ps laser pulses.



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$K\alpha$ -radiation by ion beams is about 10^{-8} of that by LPP-scheme.



To get the same order of $K\alpha$ -radiation by LPP-scheme,
the difference of $K\alpha$ yield must be covered by a large plasma.



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$K\alpha$ -radiation by energetic heavy ions scheme:

- 1.) Ionization cross-section: **10~100 times** larger than energetic electrons'.
- 2.) Ion beam density : **$\sim 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ at 1 kA/cm² with He²⁺ beams.**
(cf.) Energetic electrons by laser-produced plasma scheme: **$\sim 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-3}$**

Resultant plasma volume to get $K\alpha$ -radiation by ion beams:

- 1.) Ion beam cross section : $\sim 1 \text{ cm}^2$
- 2.) Ion Stopping range : $\sim 100 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$

--> 10^{-2} cm^3

on the assumption that plasma is heated up uniformly.

(cf.) With LPP-scheme :

- 1.) e⁻ beam cross section ~ laser spot size : $\sim < 100 \text{ }\mu\text{m}^2$
- 2.) heated depth (in the T6-experiments) : $\sim < 0.1 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$

--> 10^{-11} cm^3

There may be potentiality to get $K\alpha$ -radiation by ion beams.

Summary

1.) Present status of development of the corresponding kinetics code for fast ignition research with CHCl plastic targets.

Population kinetics and spectral synthesis codes of $K\alpha$ -emission of partially ionized Cl atoms has been developed.

--> Comparing with experimental results,
a plasma temperature of 100~150 eV on the target surface is deduced,
and showing **the potentiality for the generation of sub-ps x-ray.**

2.) Consideration of $K\alpha$ radiation by energetic heavy ions.

$K\alpha$ radiation by high intense, energetic (~MeV, or GeV) heavy ion beams may be useful for the diagnosis of heated plasma.

Plans

1.) Code development for fast ignition:

--> **Code extension to cover polarized x-ray for the diagnosis of velocity distribution function (in progress now).**

2.) Consideration of $K\alpha$ radiation by intense heavy ion beams

--> To proceed it further for purpose of plasma diagnostics.