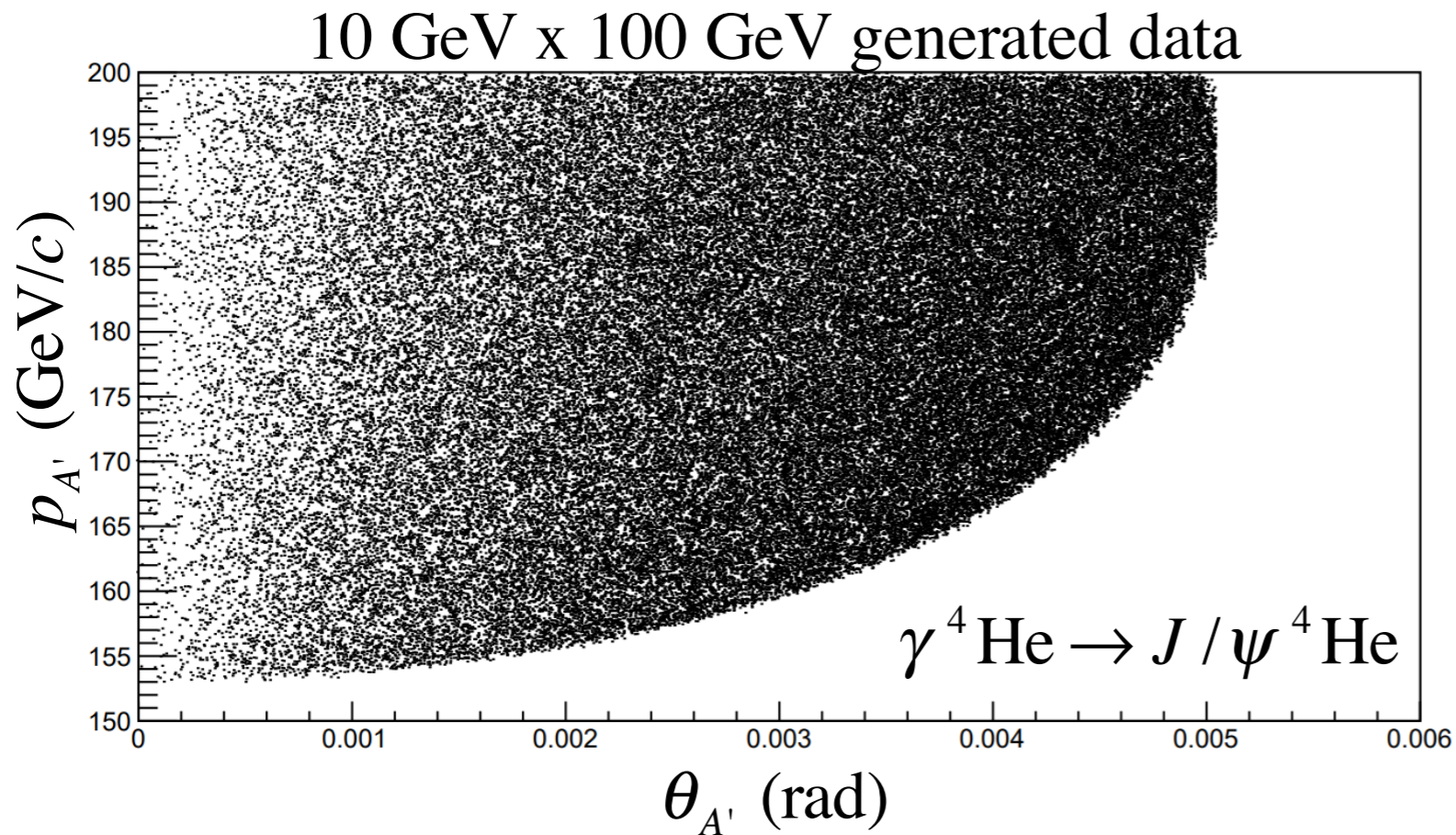


# Particle ID in FF at 2<sup>nd</sup> IR for Fast Nuclei

R&D Consideration

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# The Problem



Several EIC physics programs require detection of very forward-scattered fast nuclei (diffractive  $J/\psi$ , rare isotopes - Brynna Moran's talk)

- small scattering angles (outside the central detector acceptance)
- momentum near the ion-beam momentum

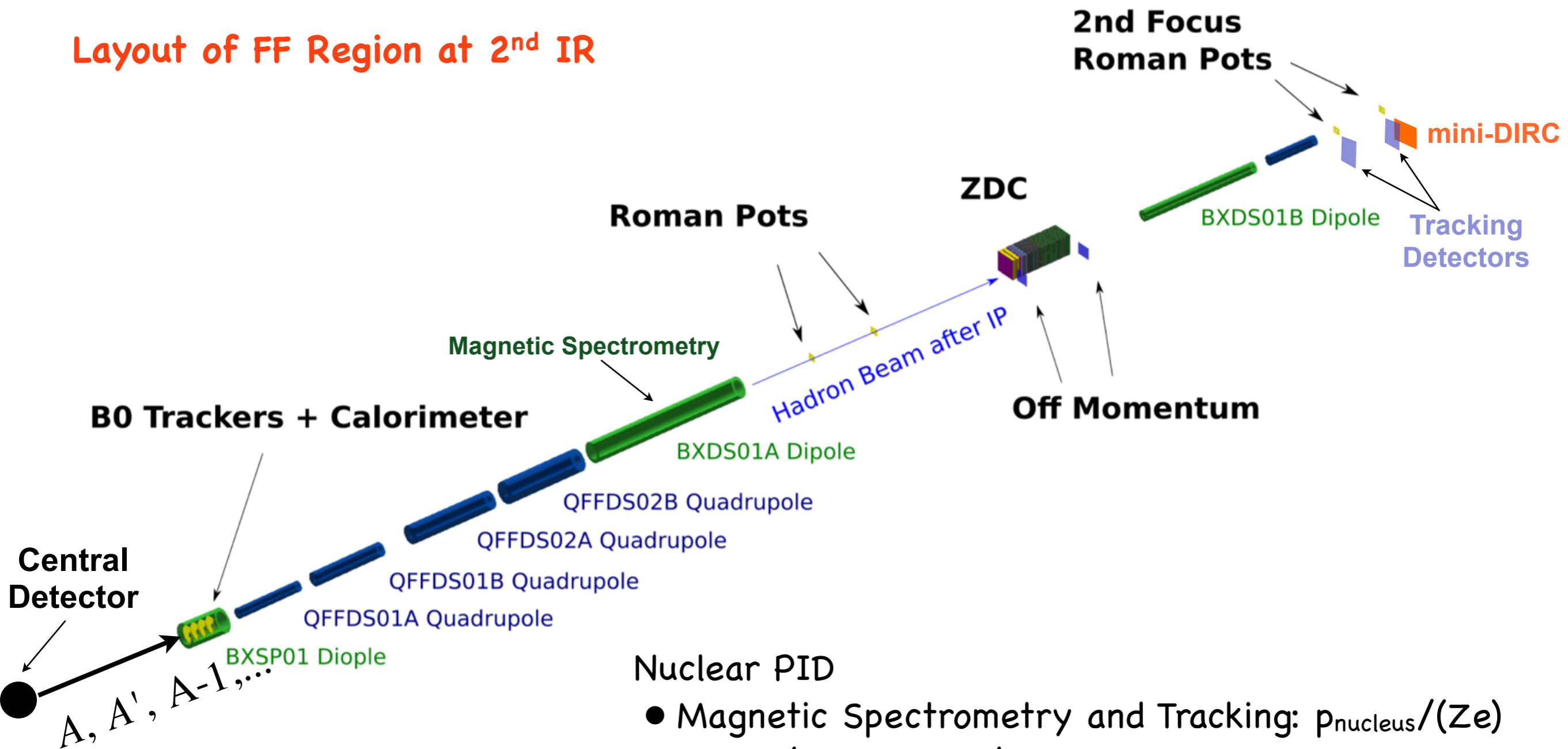
The 2<sup>nd</sup> IR is very-well suited to carry out such measurements

$$p_A = 200 \text{ GeV/c}, \text{ so } p_{A'} = (0.78 - 1)p_A$$

phase-space distributed events

# A mini-DIRC PID Detector at 2<sup>nd</sup> IR

## Layout of FF Region at 2<sup>nd</sup> IR



### Nuclear PID

- Magnetic Spectrometry and Tracking:  $p_{\text{nucleus}}/(Ze)$
- $p_{\text{nucleus}}/A_{\text{nucleus}} \sim p_A/A$
- mini-DIRC (single bar with a PMT):  $Z$
- Then,  $A_{\text{nucleus}}$  can be solved for

# A mini-DIRC for the 2<sup>nd</sup> IR

## Cherenkov Radiation Emission

- intense source of EM radiation
- continuous distribution of wavelengths

$$\frac{d^2 N_\gamma}{dx d\lambda} = \frac{2\pi Z^2}{\lambda^2} \alpha \sin^2 \theta_c$$

$$\frac{dN_\gamma}{dx} = 2\pi Z^2 \alpha \sin^2 \theta_c \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_L} - \frac{1}{\lambda_H} \right) \frac{\gamma}{\text{cm}}$$

## mini-DIRC

- single quartz bar at second focus
- measures photon energy flow ( $N_\gamma$ )
- 2% resolution needed to distinguish  $Z=100$  from  $Z=99$
- the needed high resolution at high  $Z$  is supported by the high photon yield at high  $Z$

## R&D

- best solution for a PMT
- detector simulation: photon transmission efficiency, determination of  $Z$  from PMT response

