



LABORATÓRIO DE INSTRUMENTAÇÃO  
E FÍSICA EXPERIMENTAL DE PARTÍCULAS  
*partículas e tecnologia*

# Developing a GUI for thin film characterization

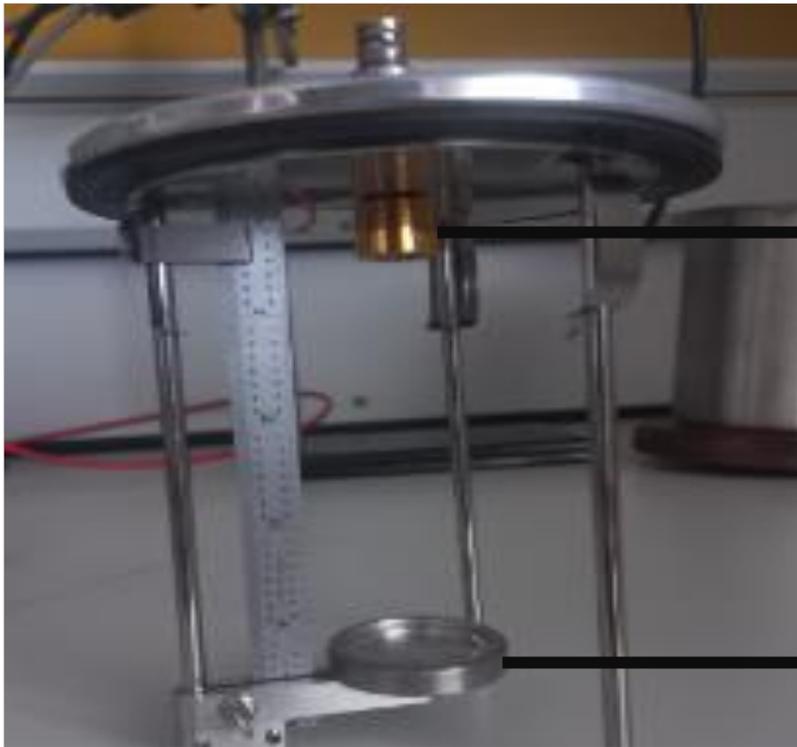
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# The Theory of AEL

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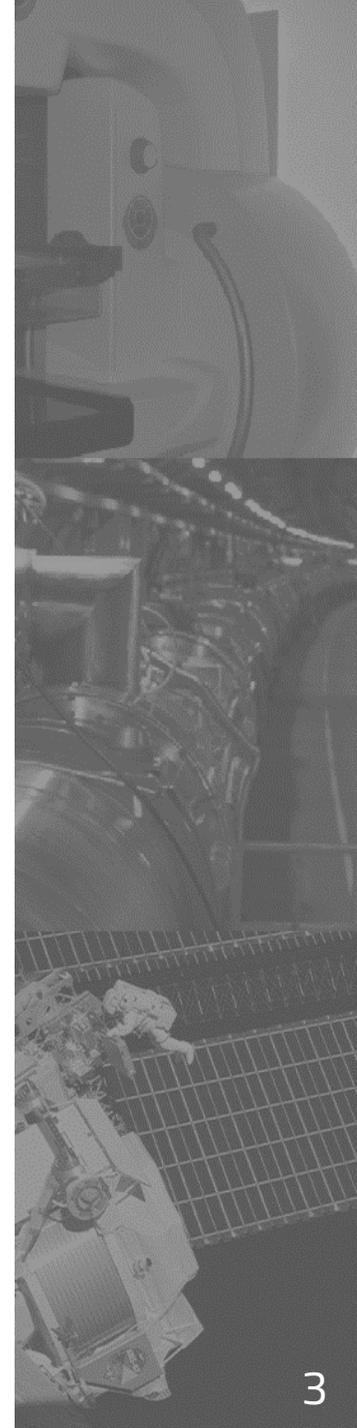
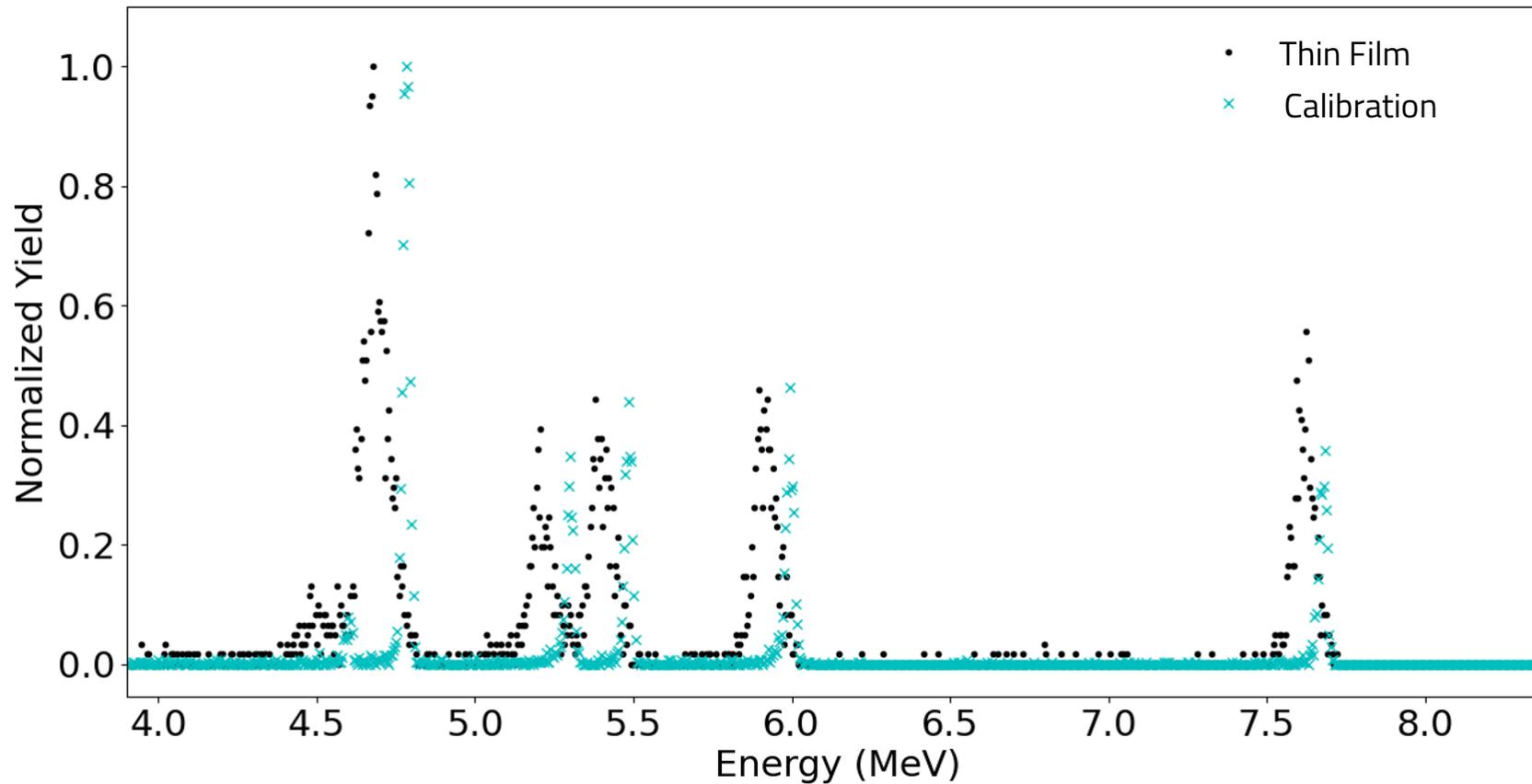
Detector

Alpha Source  
Holder



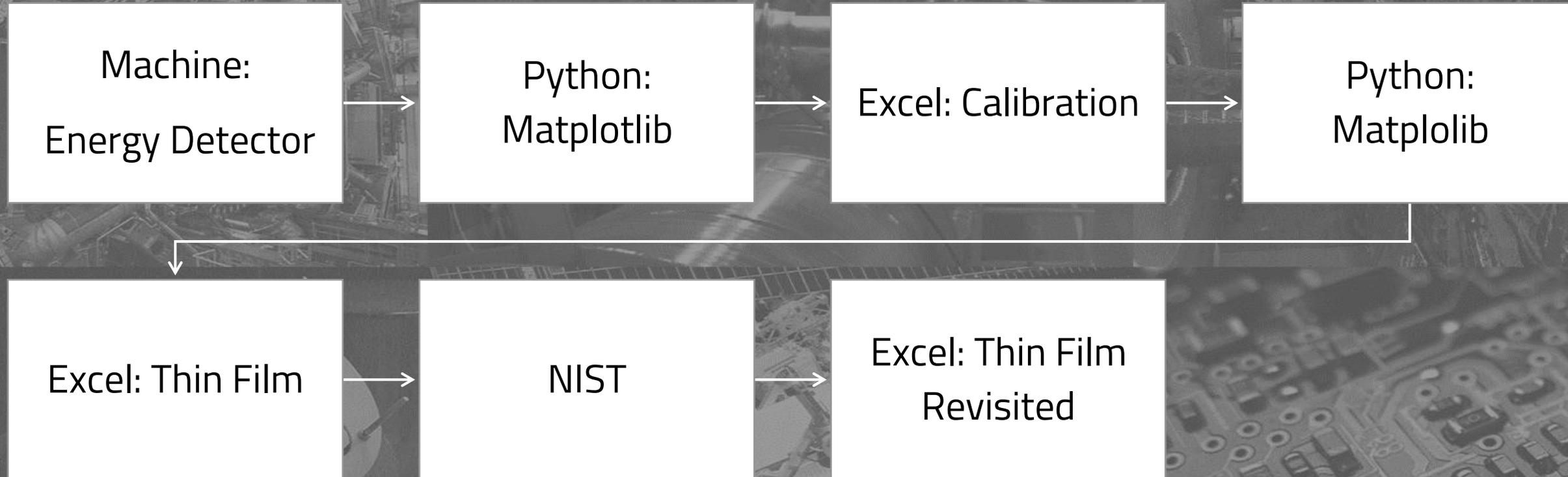
# The Theory of AEL

$$\Delta x \approx \int_{E_i}^{E_f} \left( \frac{dE}{dx} \right)^{-1} dE \approx \sum_{E_k=E_i}^{E_f} \frac{\delta E}{S(E_k)} \quad \text{where } \delta E = E_{k+1} - E_k$$



# THE PROBLEM

Characterization complete in these 7 steps!



# THE SOLUTION

Characterization complete in *just* 2 steps!

Machine: Energy Detector



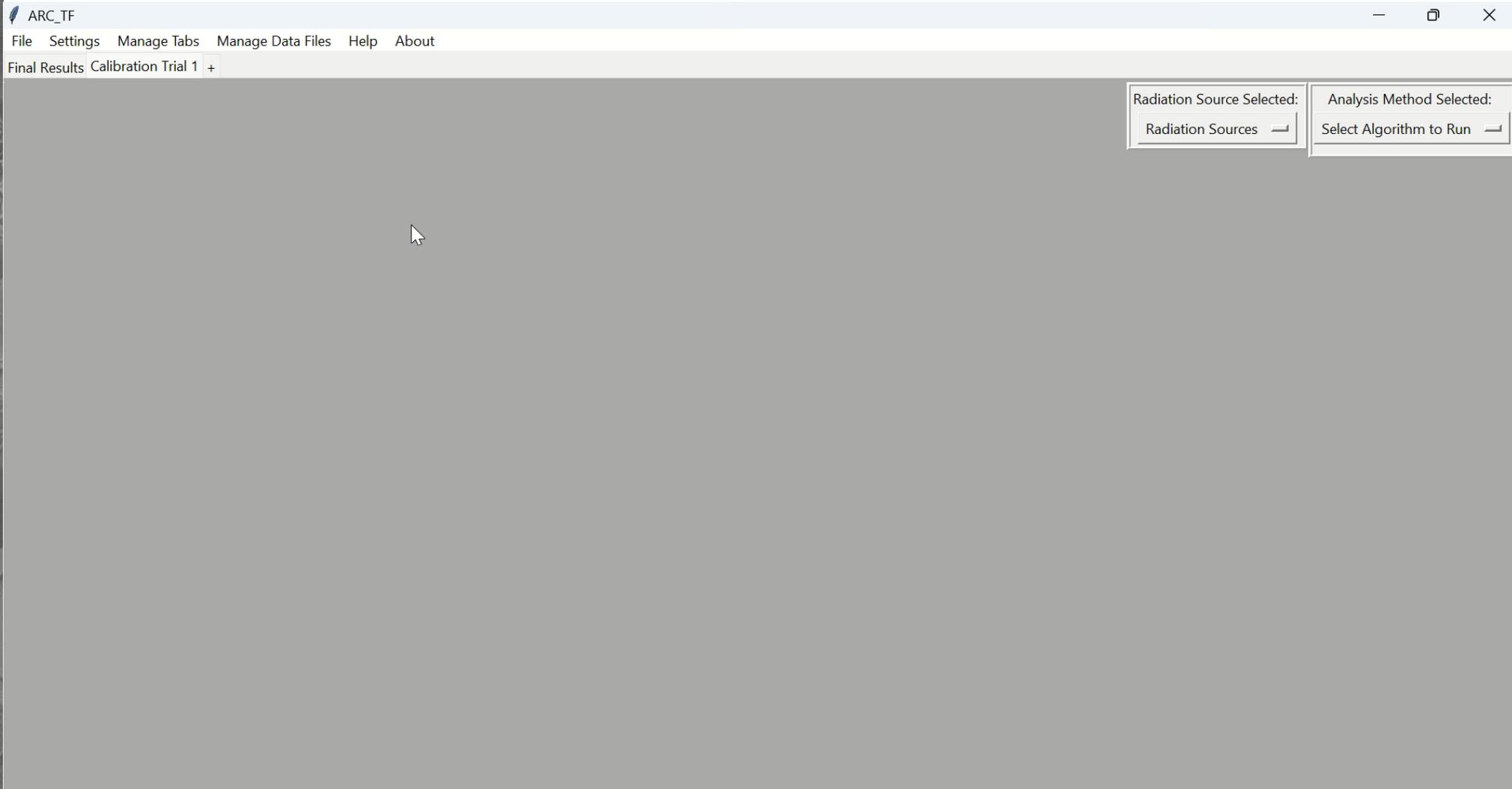
ARC-TF



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2048 TabTracker = []
2049
2050 Energy_settings = tk.IntVar()
2051 Energy_settings.set(1000)
2052 Unit_settings = tk.DoubleVar()
2053 Unit_settings.set((10**9))
2054
2055 Channel_cut = tk.IntVar()
2056 Channel_cut.set(100)
2057
2058 Peak_width = tk.IntVar()
2059 Peak_width.set(35)
2060
2061 #####
2062 Tabs.tab_change(1)
2063 Notebook.notebook.select(1)
2064
2065 os.mkdir('Temp') # Pasta onde serao guardados os ficheiros
2066 window.run()
2067 #####
2068
2069 > for i in range(Notebook.value): ...
2076
2077 os.rmdir('Temp') # Apaga a pasta Temp
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# HOW ARC-TF WORKS

**A**LPHA ENERGY LOSS AND **R**UTHERFORD BACK-SCATTERING **C**HARACTERIZATION FOR **T**HIN **F**ILMS



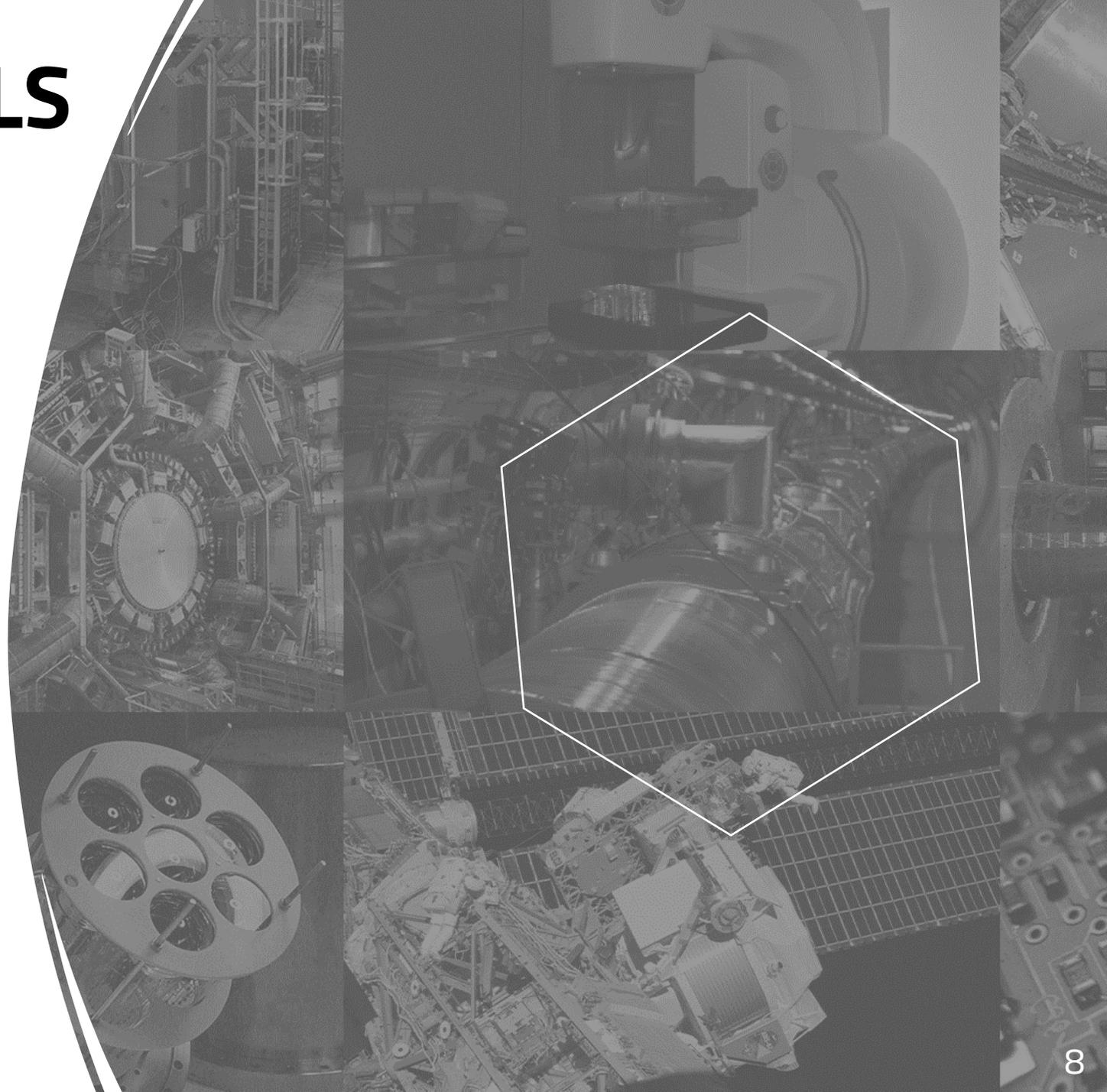
# The Main Features and Libraries

- The Manual Selection Algorithm
- The Threshold Input Algorithm
- The Linear Regression and uncertainty Function
- The Thickness Calculation Function
- Tkinter
- Matplotlib and Math
- OS and Shutil



# ACQUIRED SKILLS

- Learned and Developed Python skills
- Git and GitHub basic skills
- Introduction to Object Oriented Programming
- Knowledge on Radioactive Sources
- Knowledge on Thin Film Technology and Production





# Future Perspectives

## ARC-TF

- Develop Versions for diferente OS
- Implement better Algorithms
  - Incorporate AlfaMC
  - Incorporate RBS Analysis
- Incorporate ML Algorithms, namely the ones developed by my colleagues

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ARC-TF at: [https://github.com/AlexVnGit/GUI\\_thin\\_films](https://github.com/AlexVnGit/GUI_thin_films)