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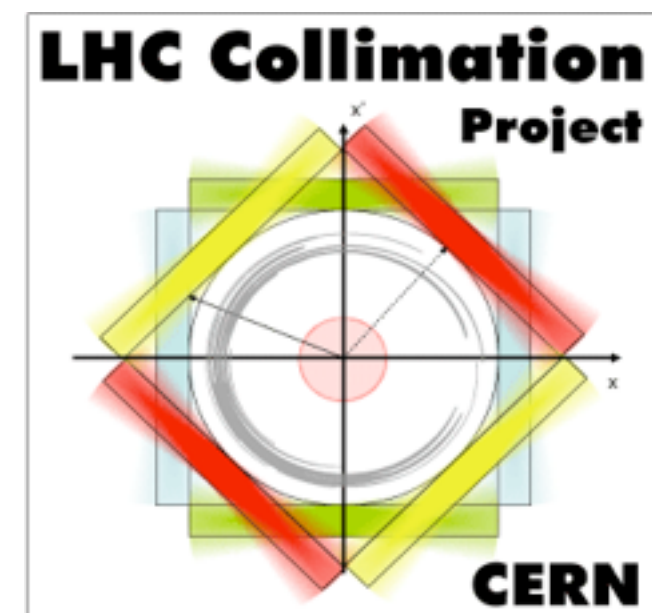
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# **Beam collimation at the Large Hadron Collider**

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# Outline



- Introduction**
- Beam losses and collimation roles**
- Single- and multi-stage cleaning**
- LHC collimation layouts and design**
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# The LHC collimator

Left jaw

Right jaw

1.0m+0.2m tapering

**What is beam collimation and why we need it?**  
**How many LHC collimators we need?**  
**Where are they located in the ring?**  
**How are they built, with which materials?**

BEAM





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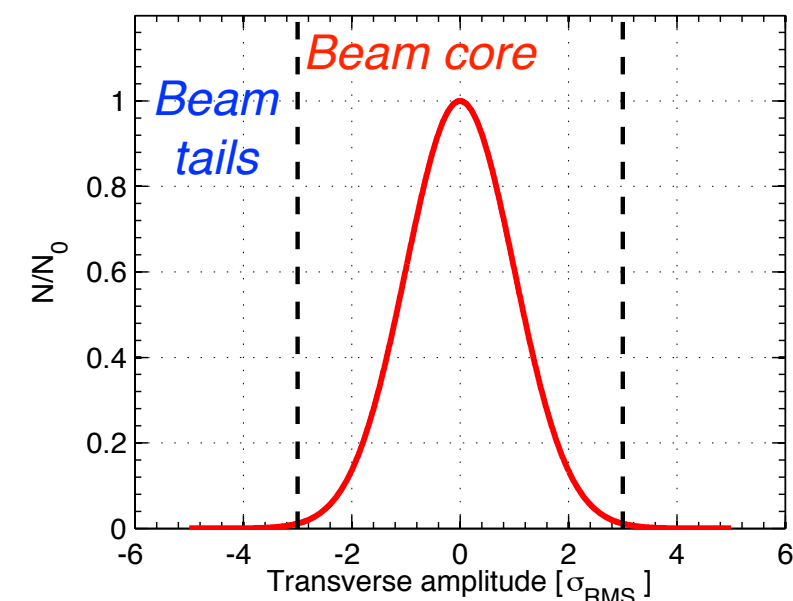
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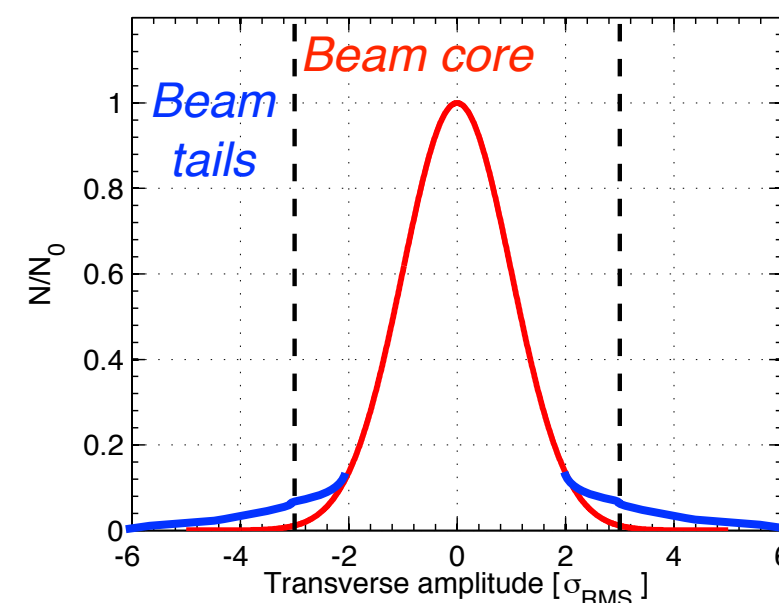
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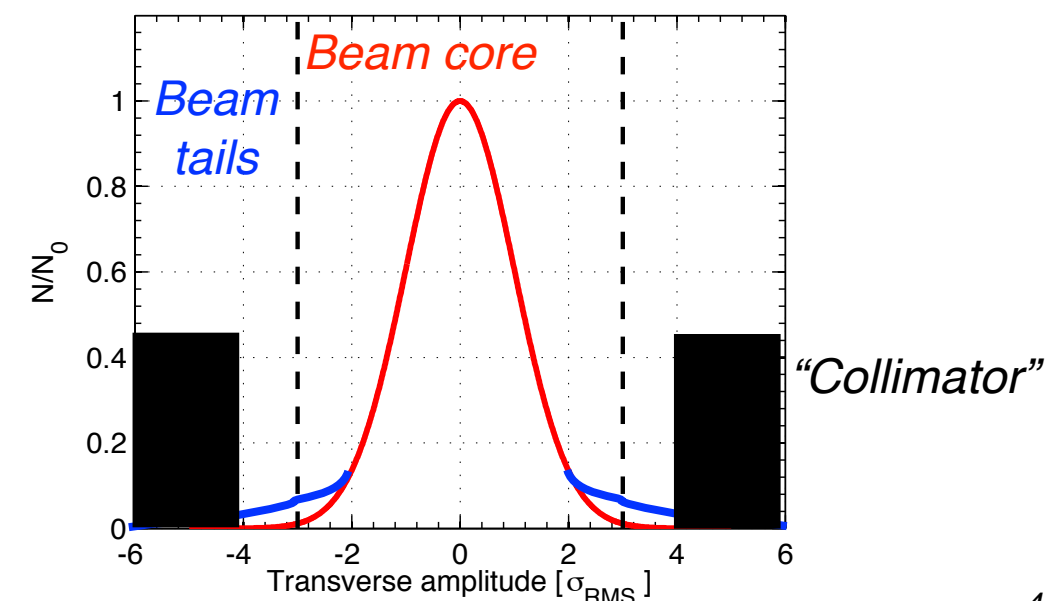
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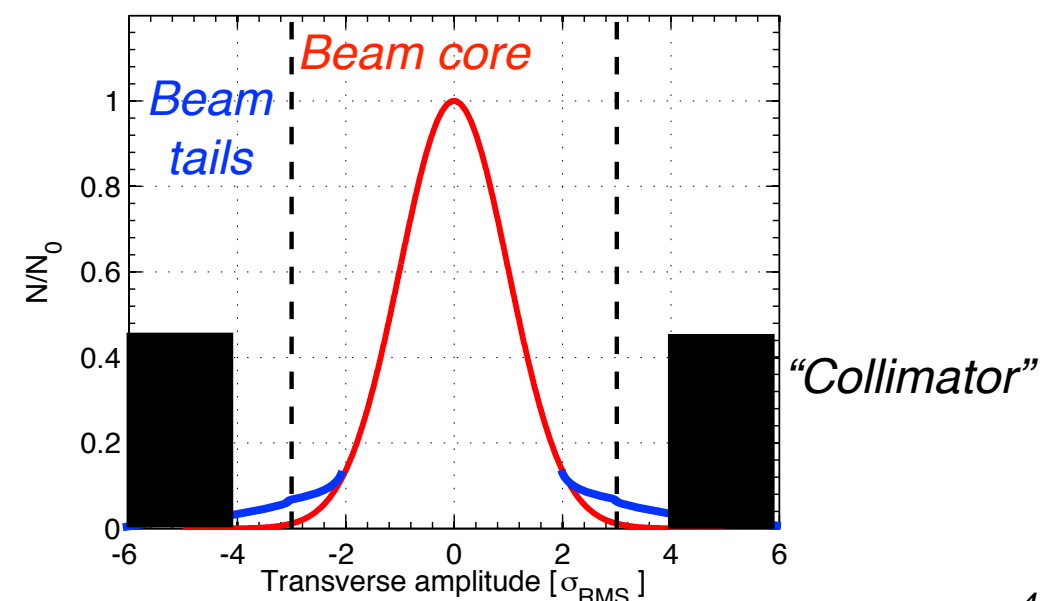
*Ensure that beam losses in superconducting magnets remain below quench limits in all operational phases.*

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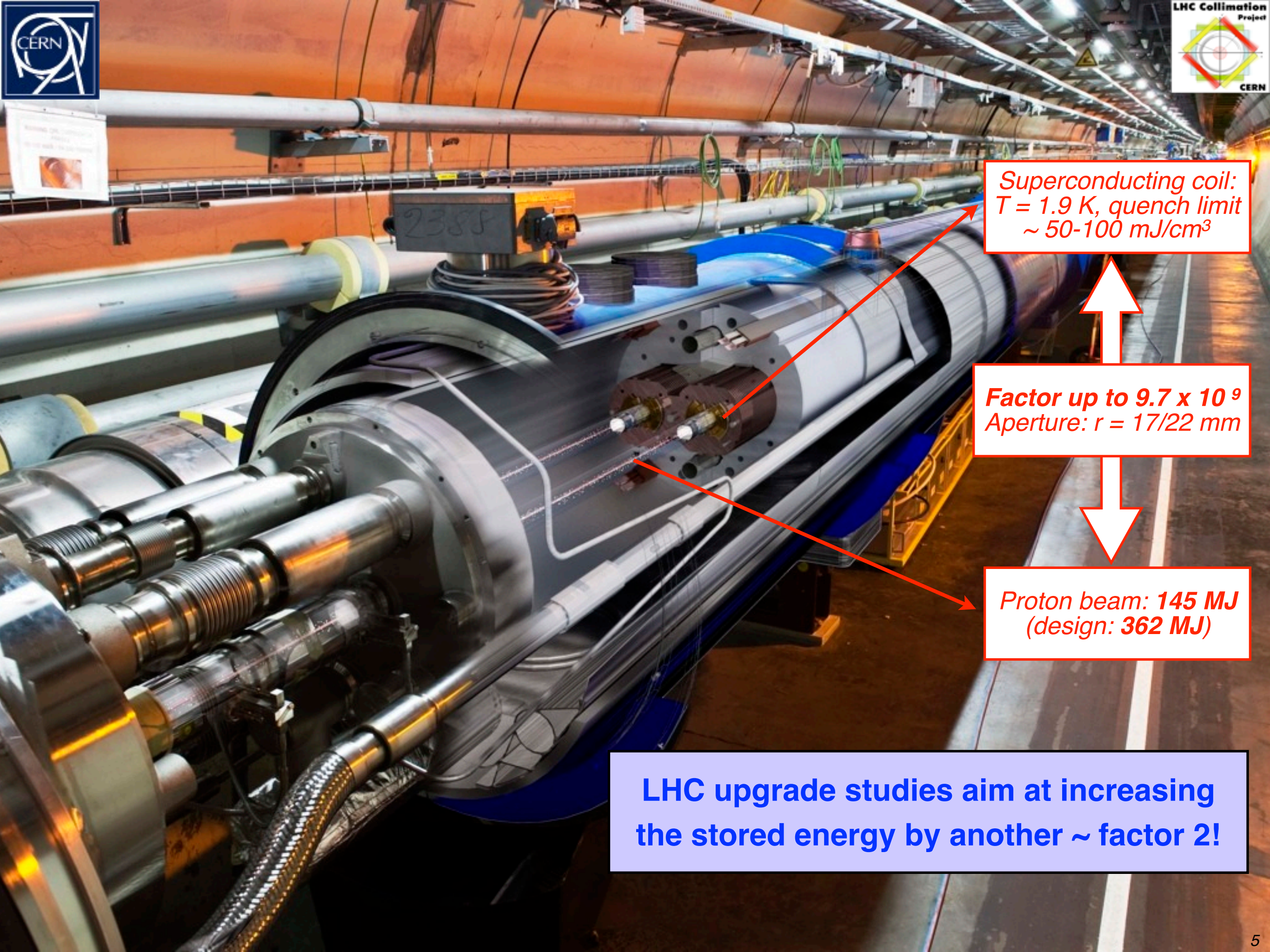
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*Superconducting coil:  
 $T = 1.9 \text{ K}$ , quench limit  
 $\sim 50\text{-}100 \text{ mJ/cm}^3$*

*Factor up to  $9.7 \times 10^9$   
Aperture:  $r = 17/22 \text{ mm}$*

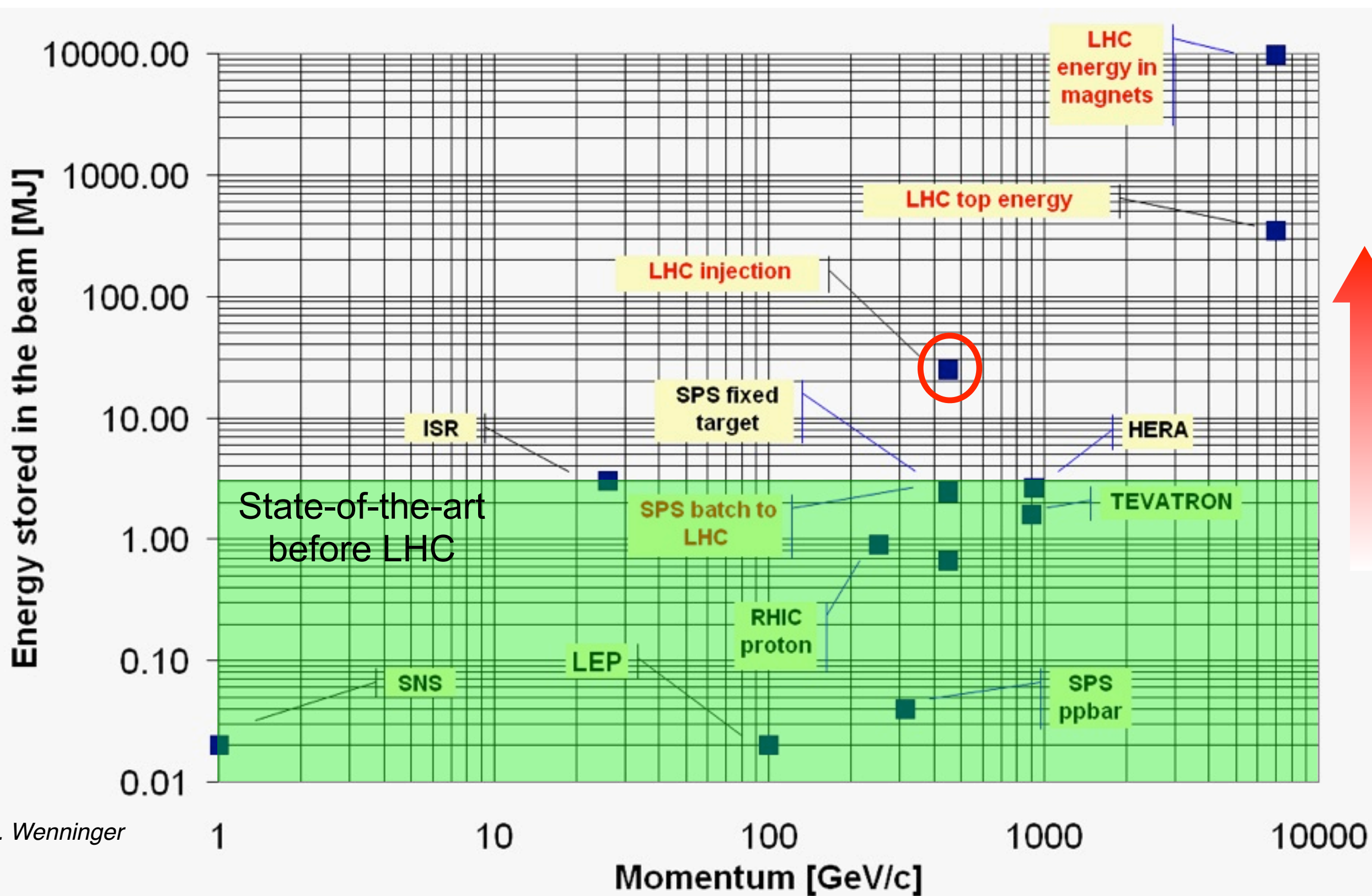
*Proton beam:  $145 \text{ MJ}$   
(design:  $362 \text{ MJ}$ )*

**LHC upgrade studies aim at increasing the stored energy by another  $\sim$  factor 2!**



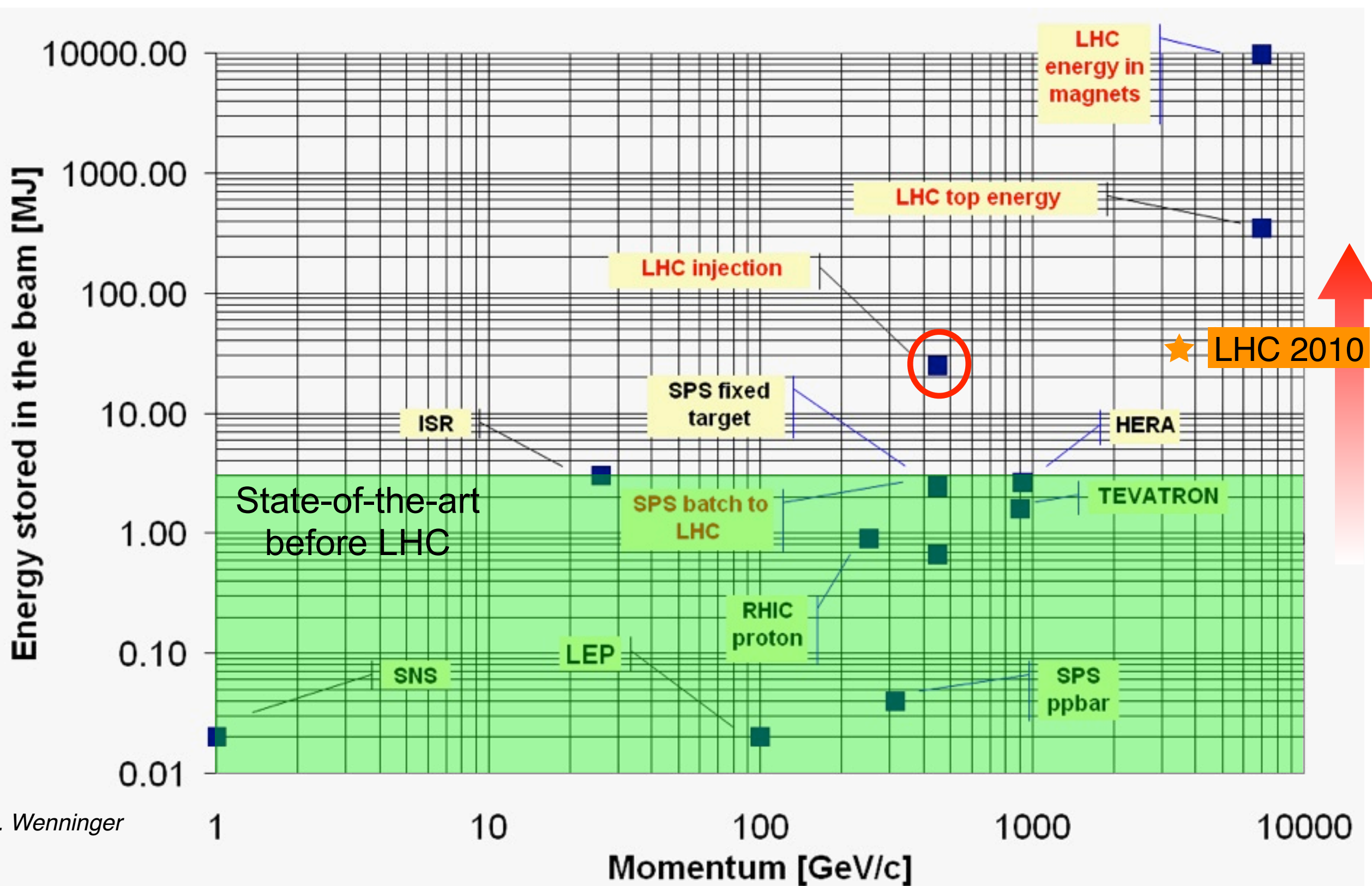


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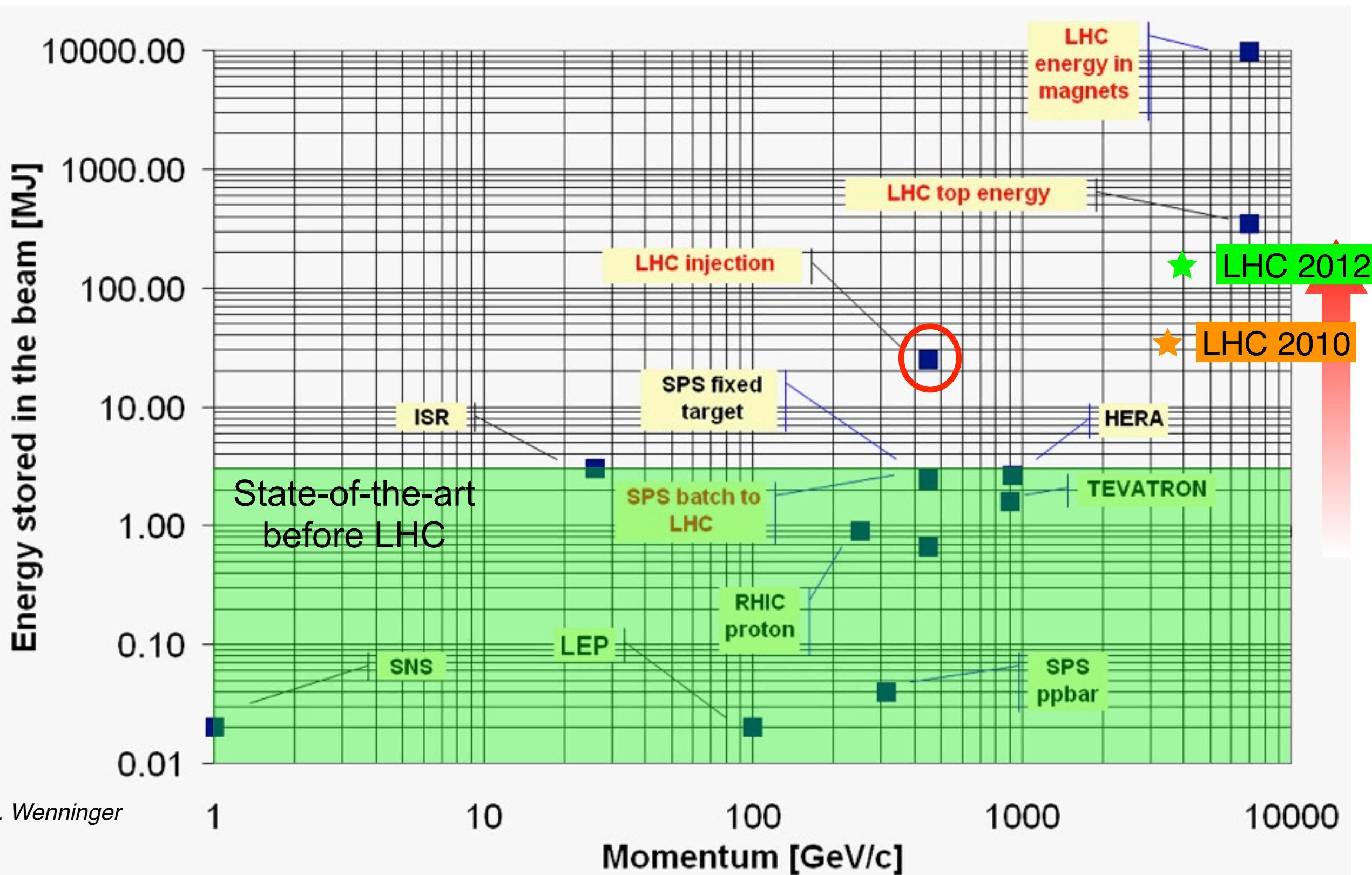
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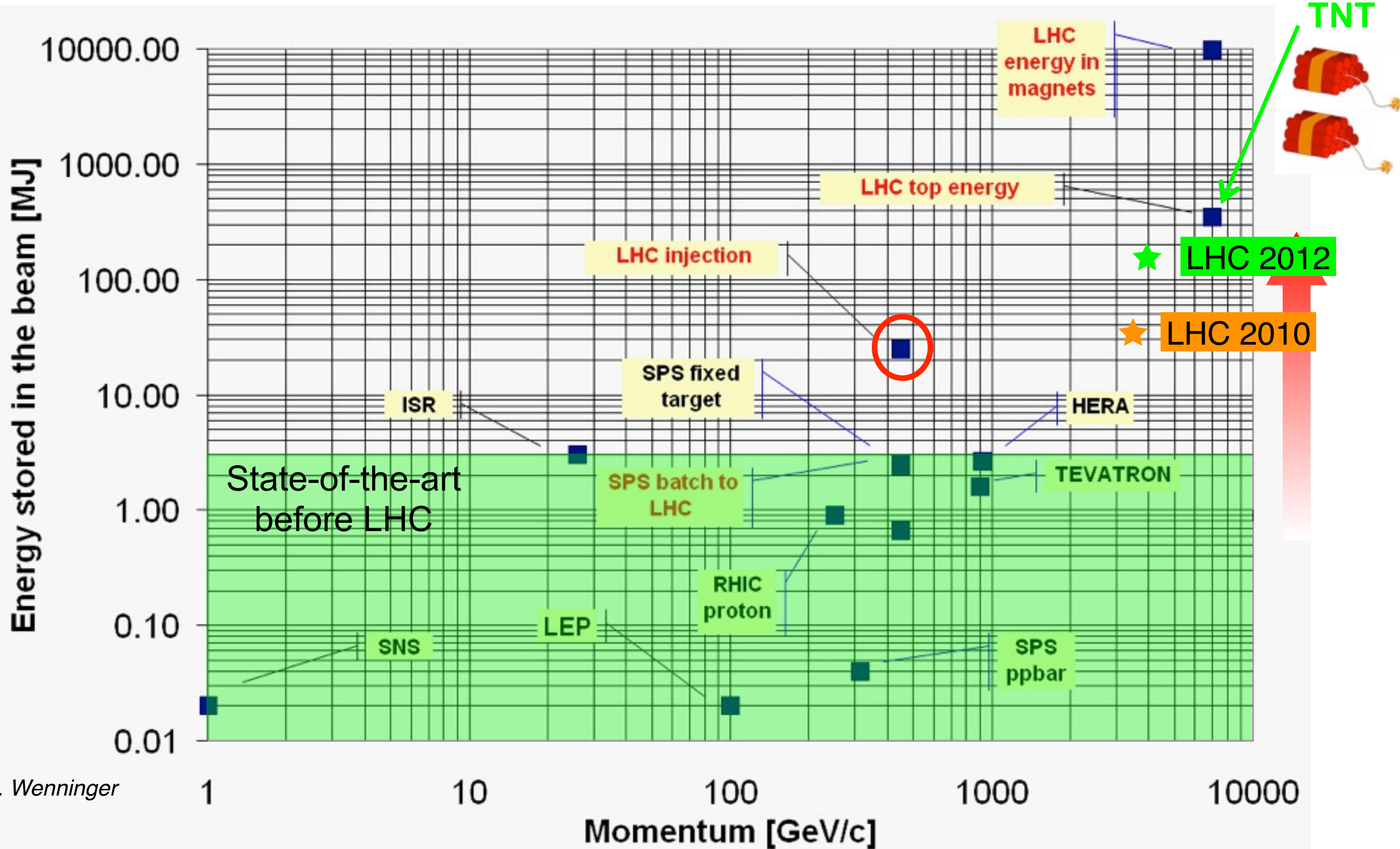


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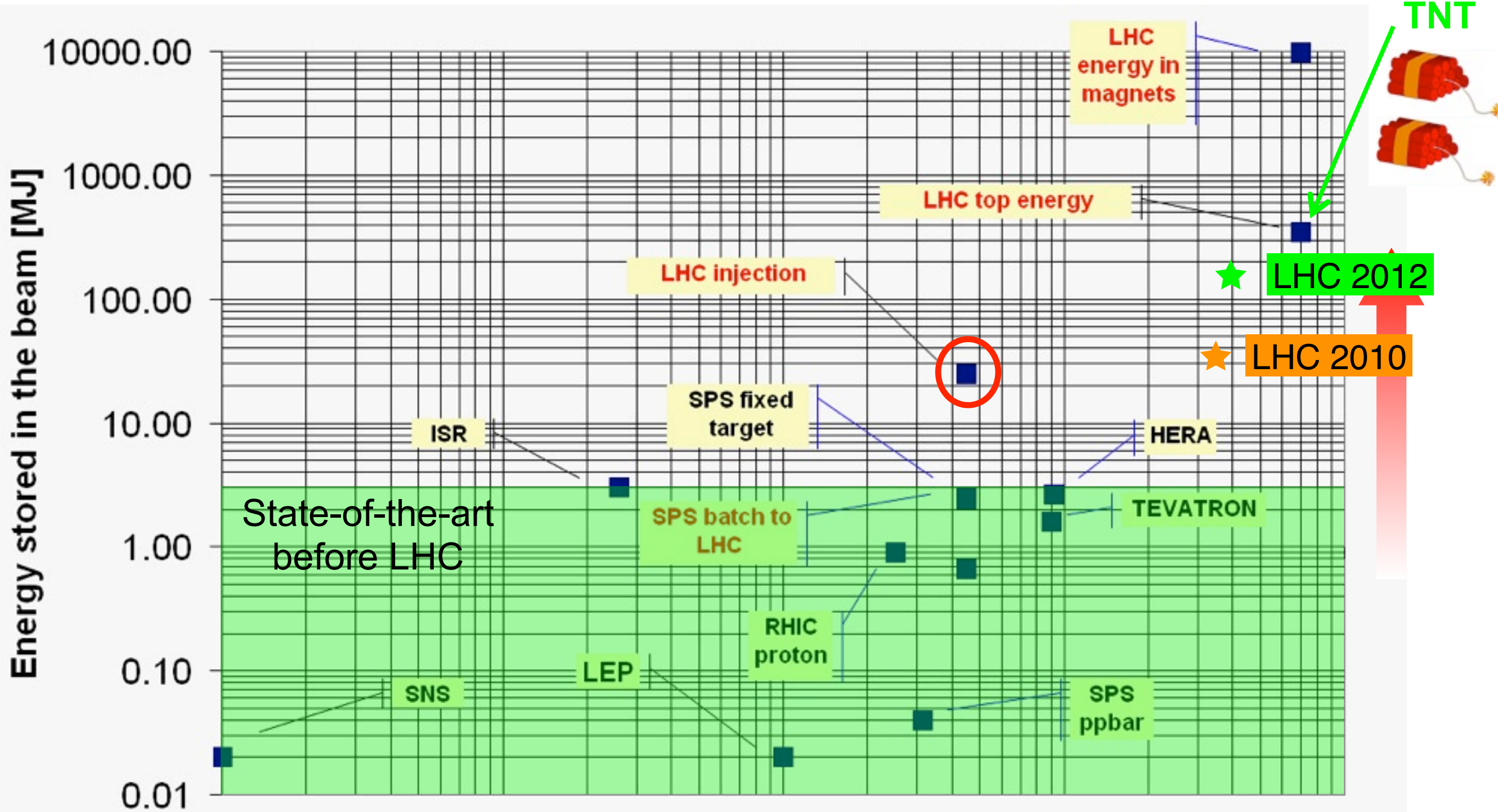
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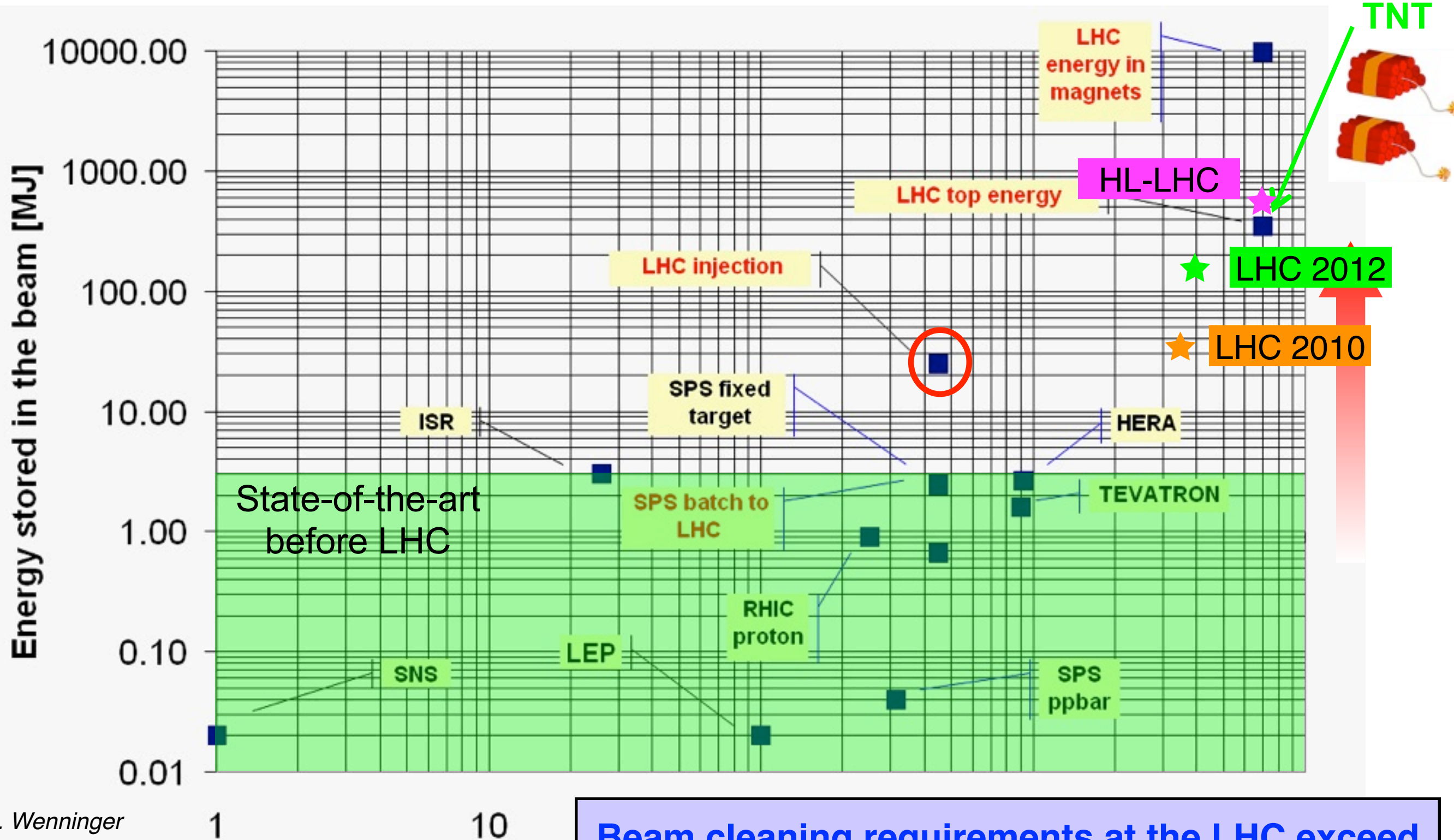
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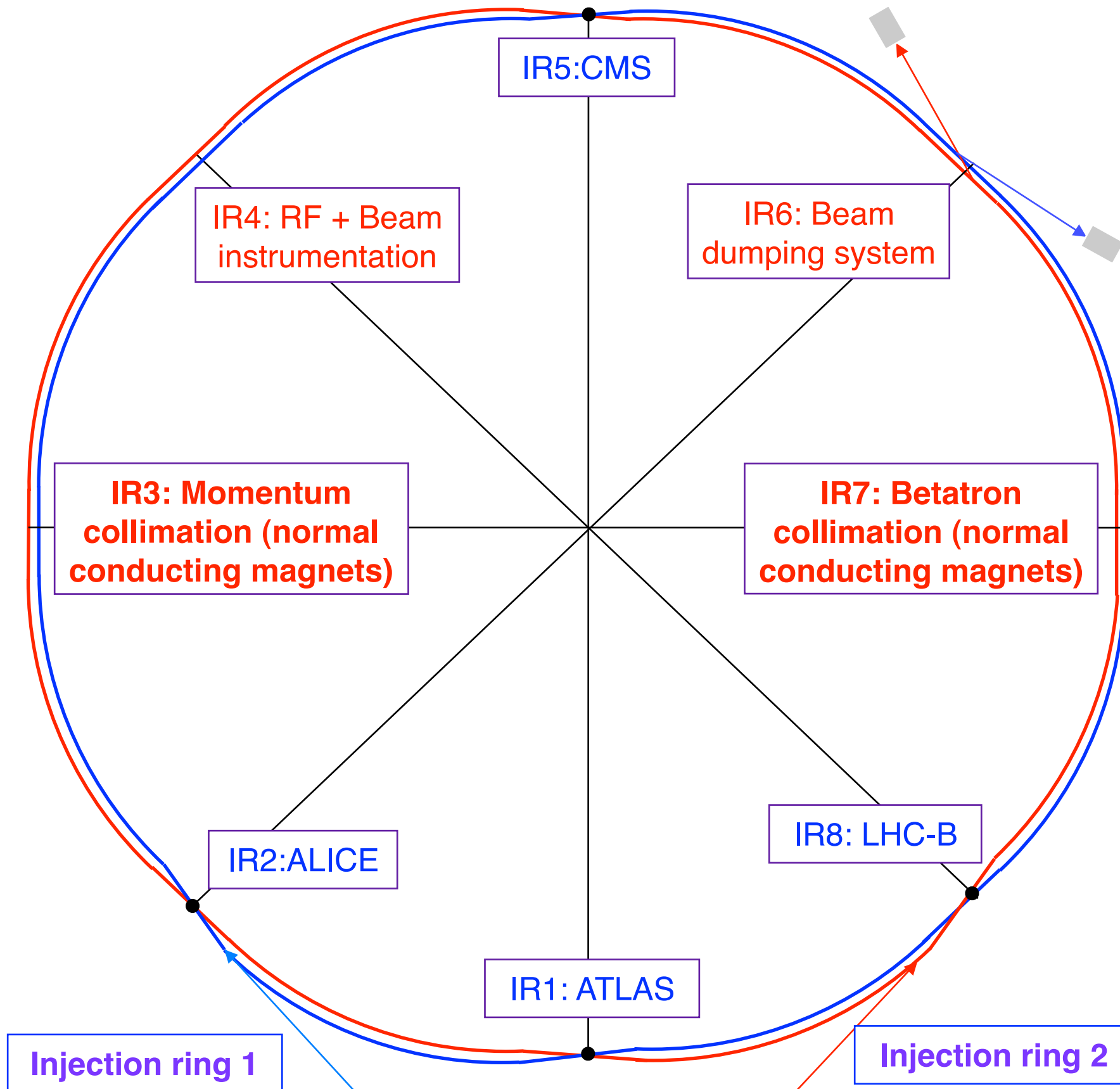
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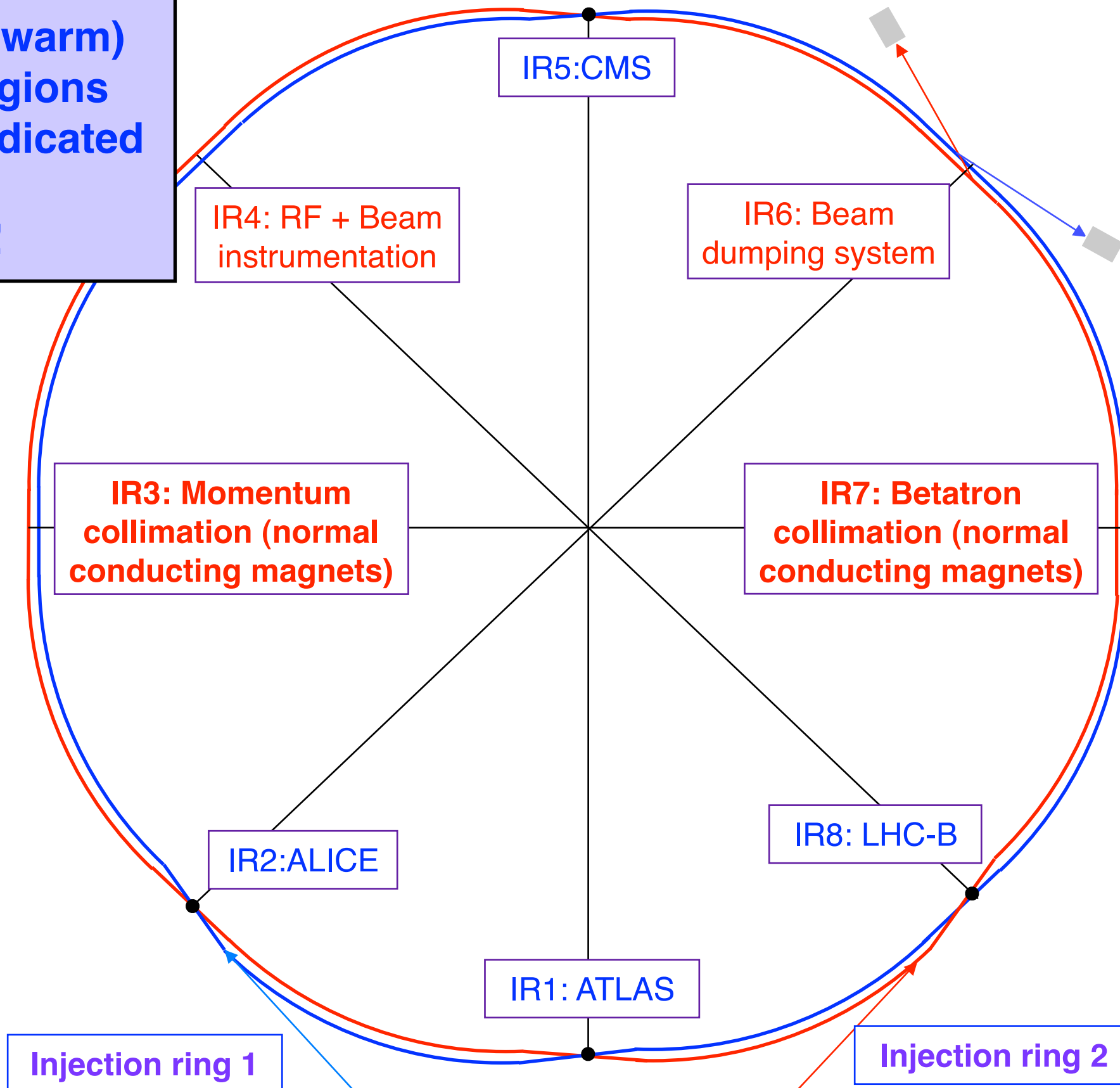
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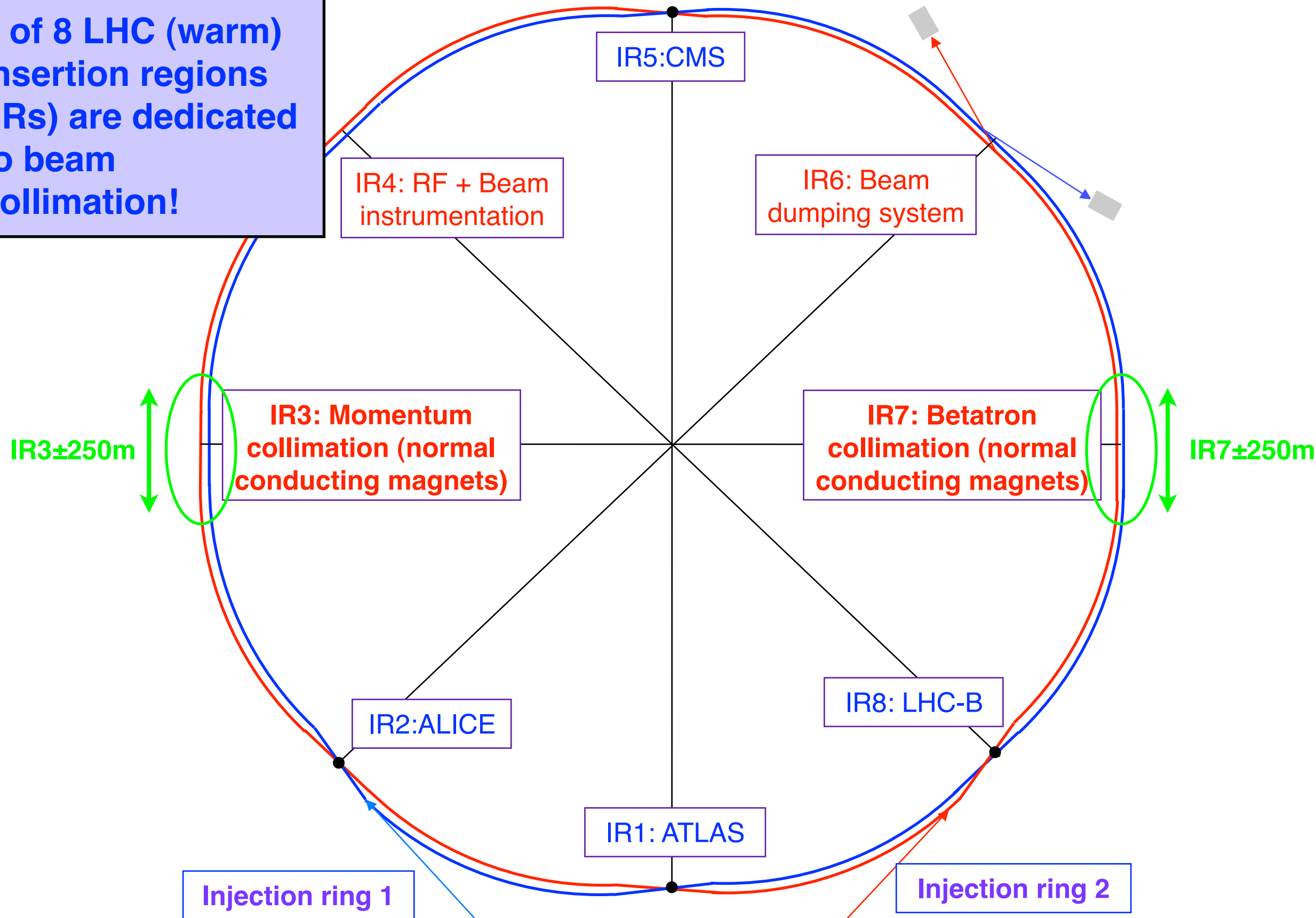
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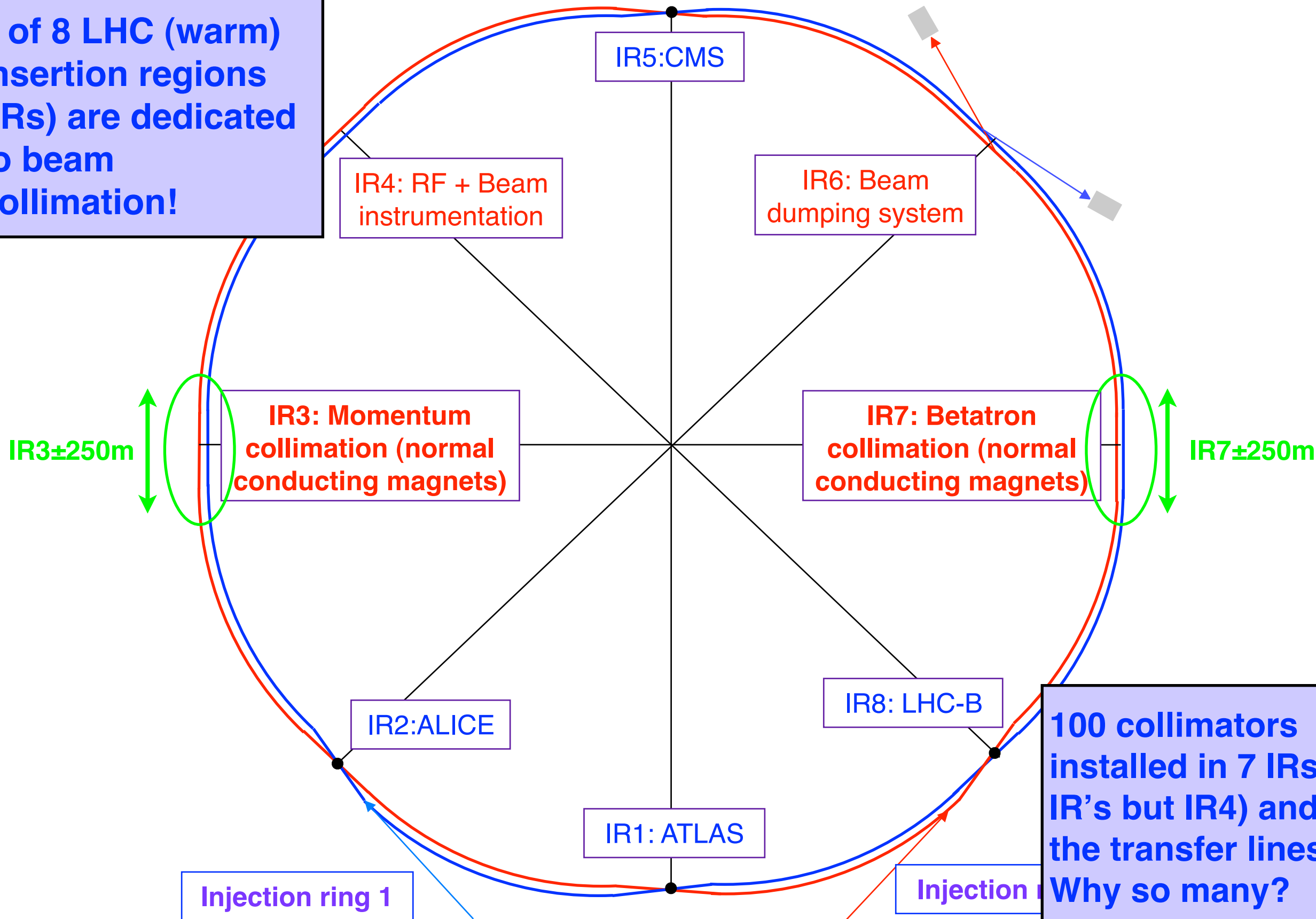
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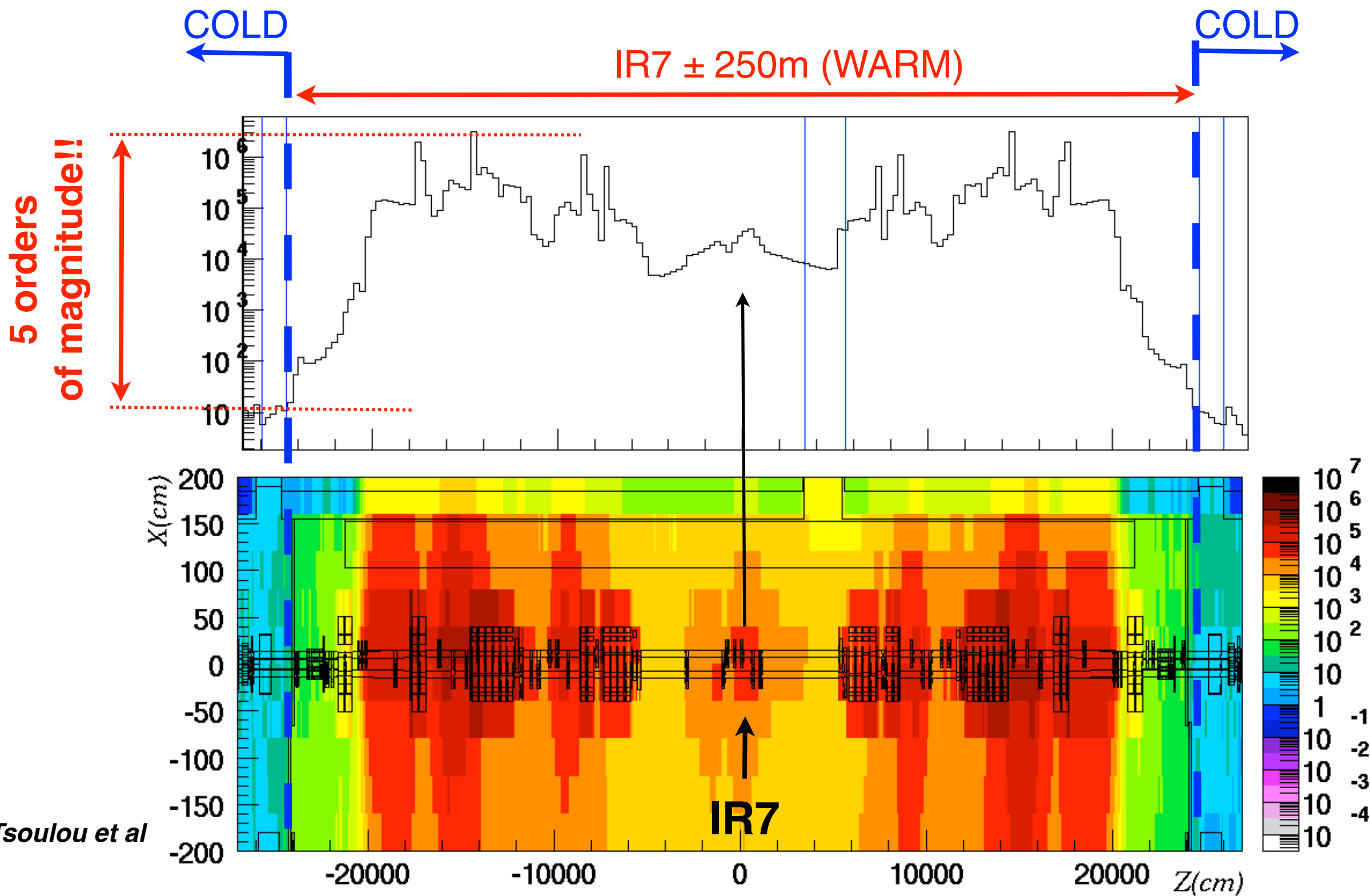
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100 collimators installed in 7 IRs (all IR's but IR4) and in the transfer lines!  
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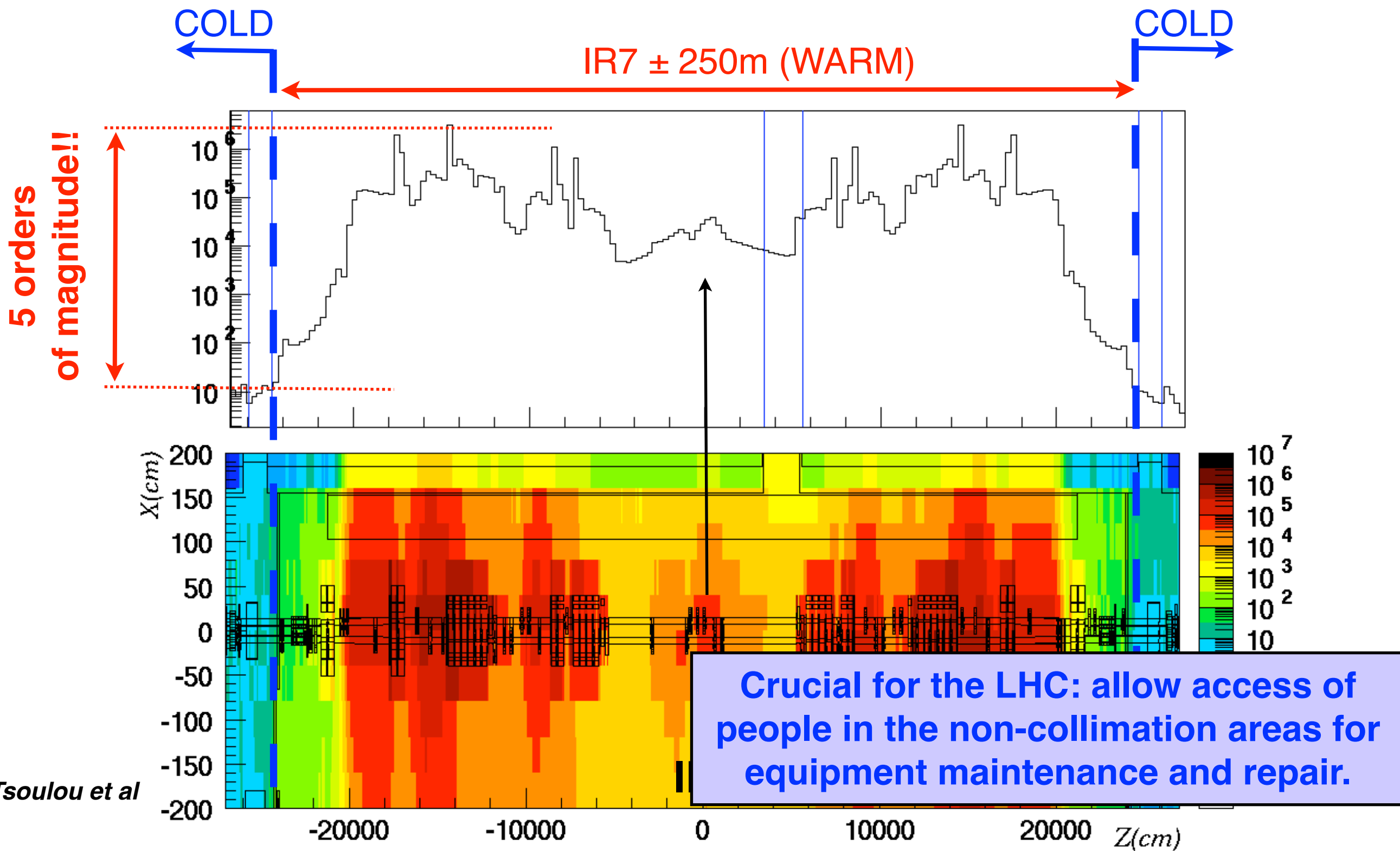


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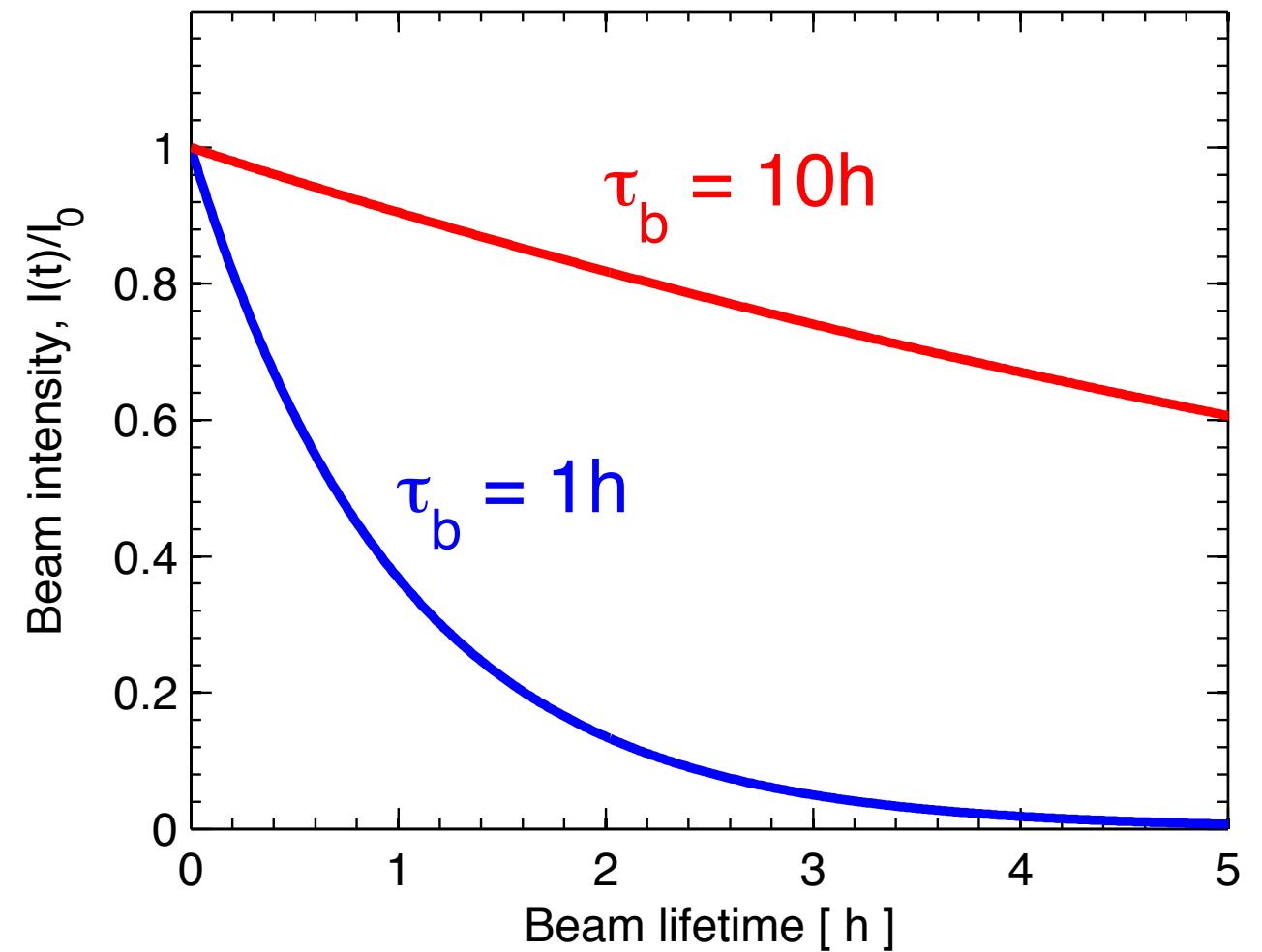
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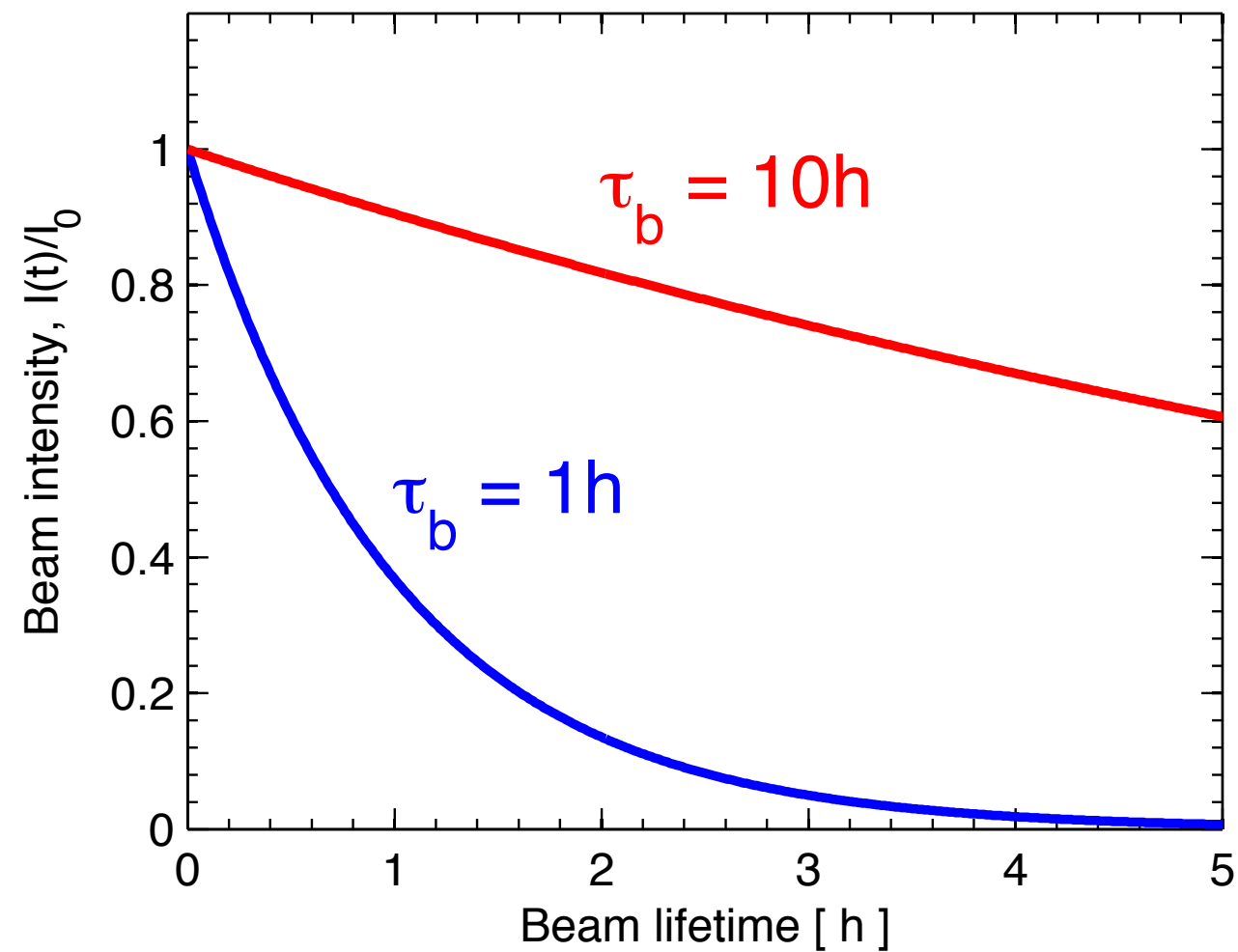
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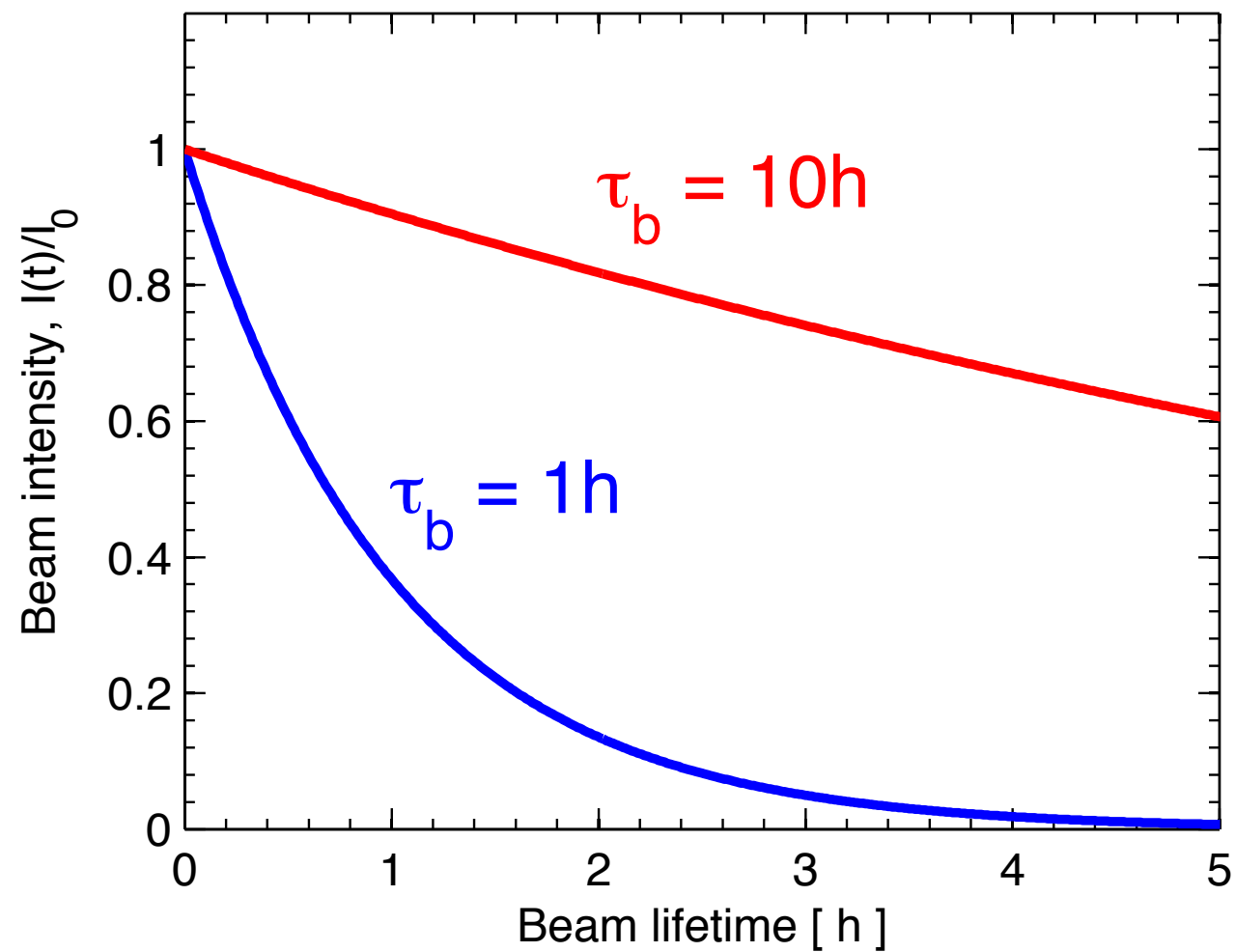
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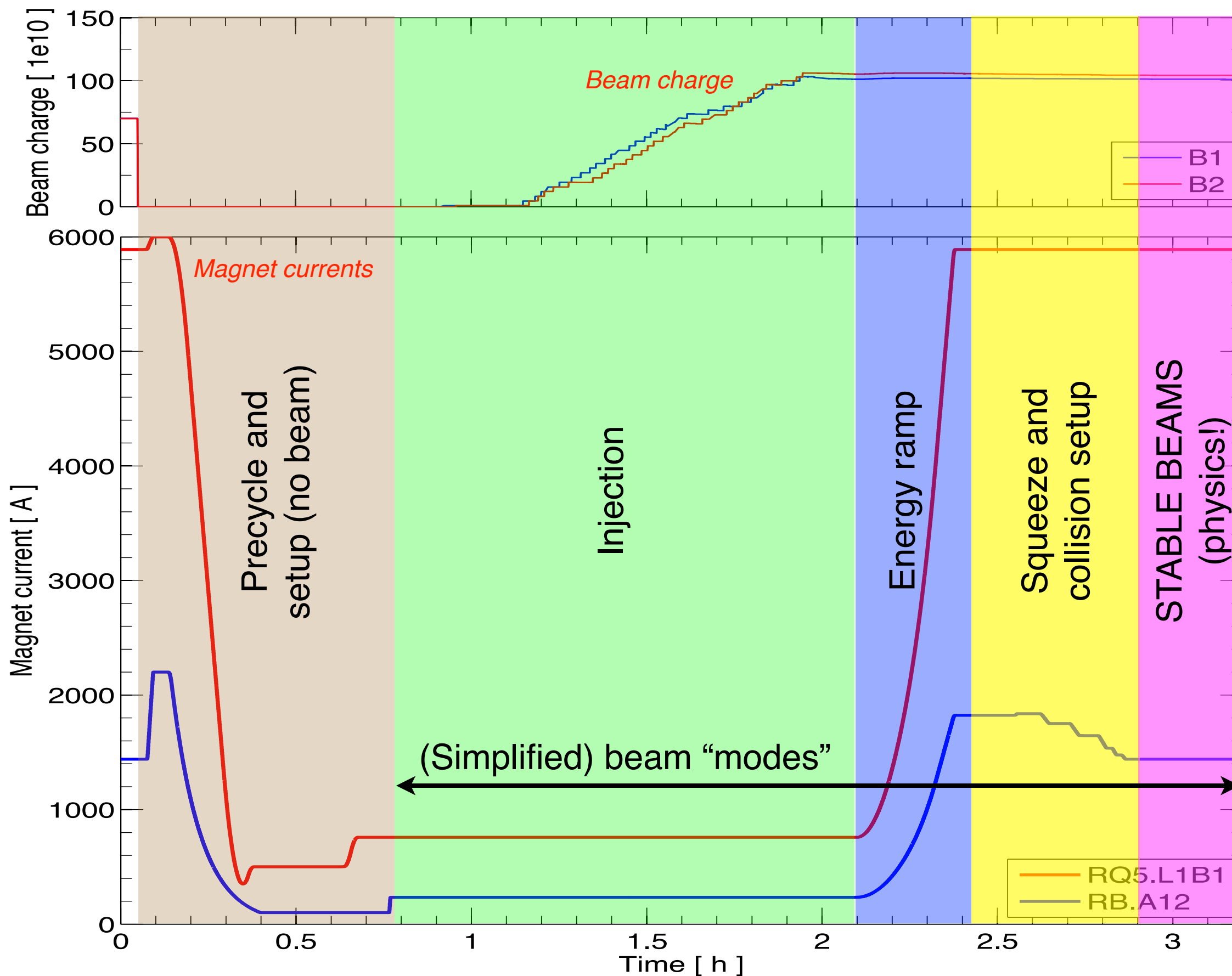
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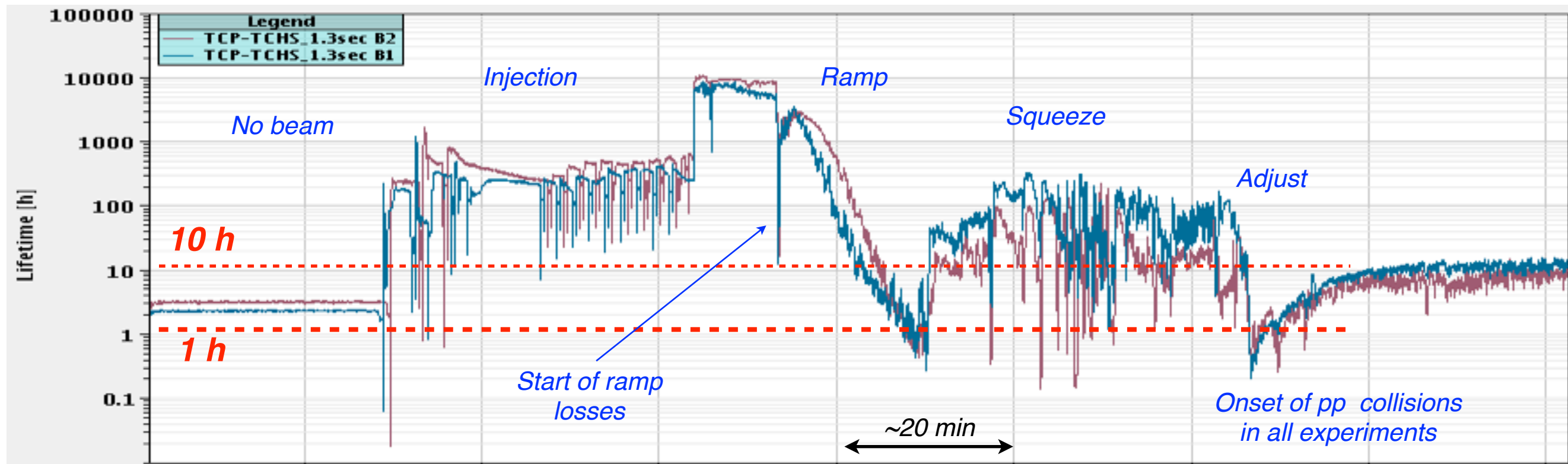
*LHC example at 7 TeV: **1h lifetime** at the full intensity of  $3.2 \times 10^{14}$  (320 hundred trillion) protons corresponds to a loss rate of about 90 billion proton per second, i.e.  $0.1 \text{ MJ/s} = \mathbf{100 \text{ KW!}}$*





# Operational cycle (in 2010)





*Example of a typical physics fill in 2012.*

These **losses** from the beam core **must be caught** before they reach sensitive accelerator components!

In particular, what “leaks” into the cold magnets must remain below quench limits of superconducting magnets

➤ *this is what the collimation system is designed for!*

***LHC cleaning challenge: need an “inefficiency” ~20-100mJ/100kJ !***

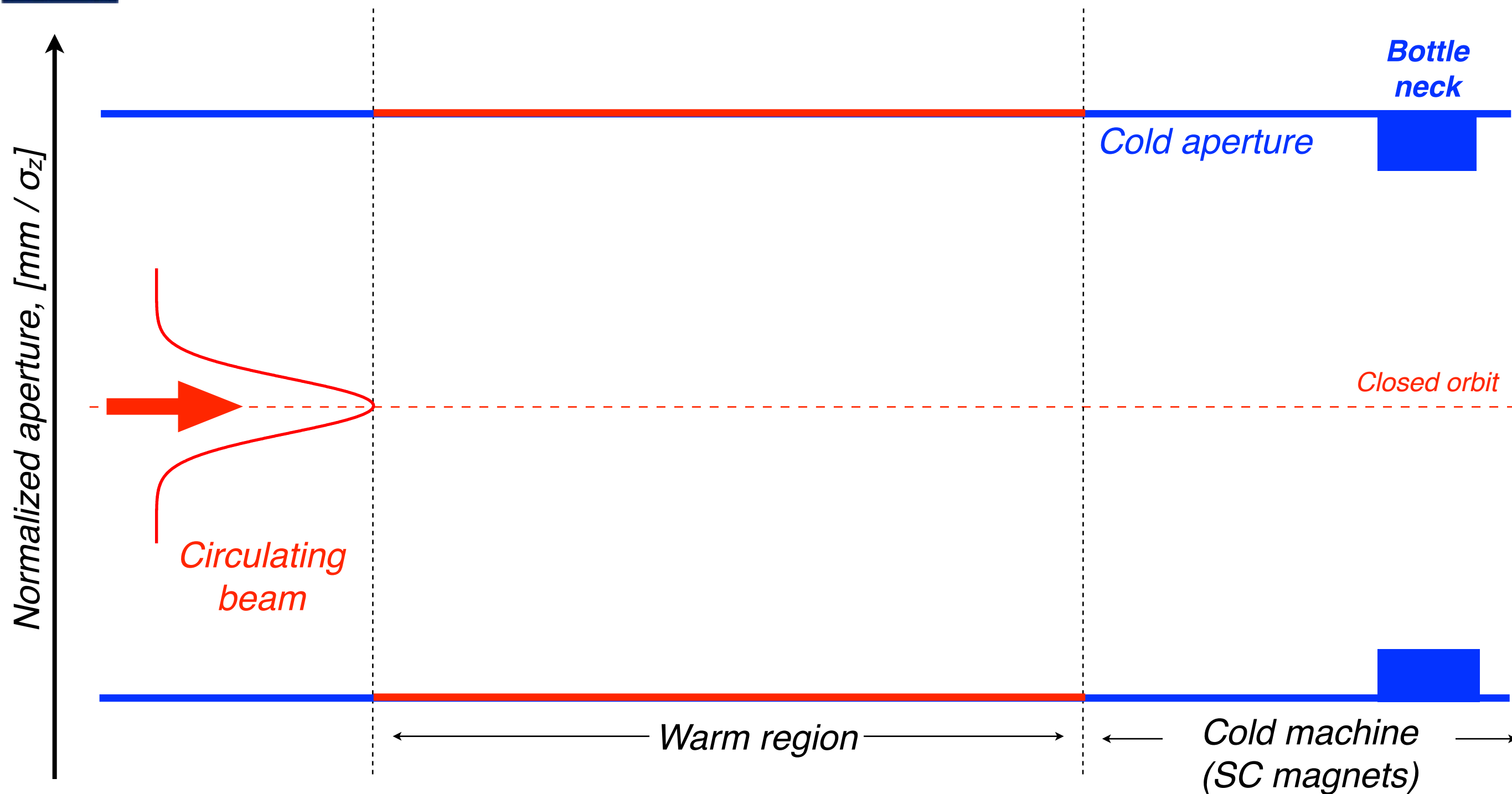


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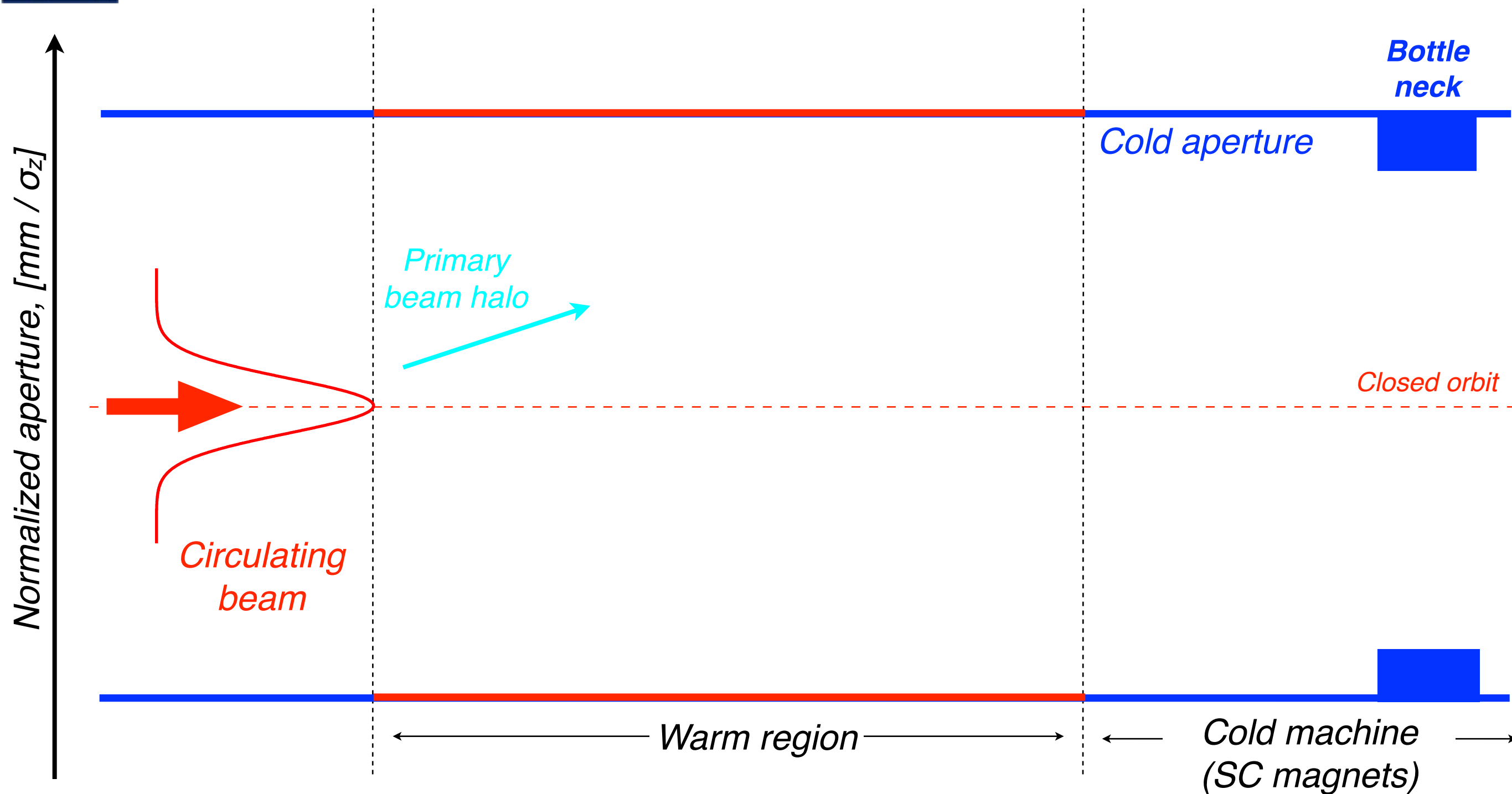
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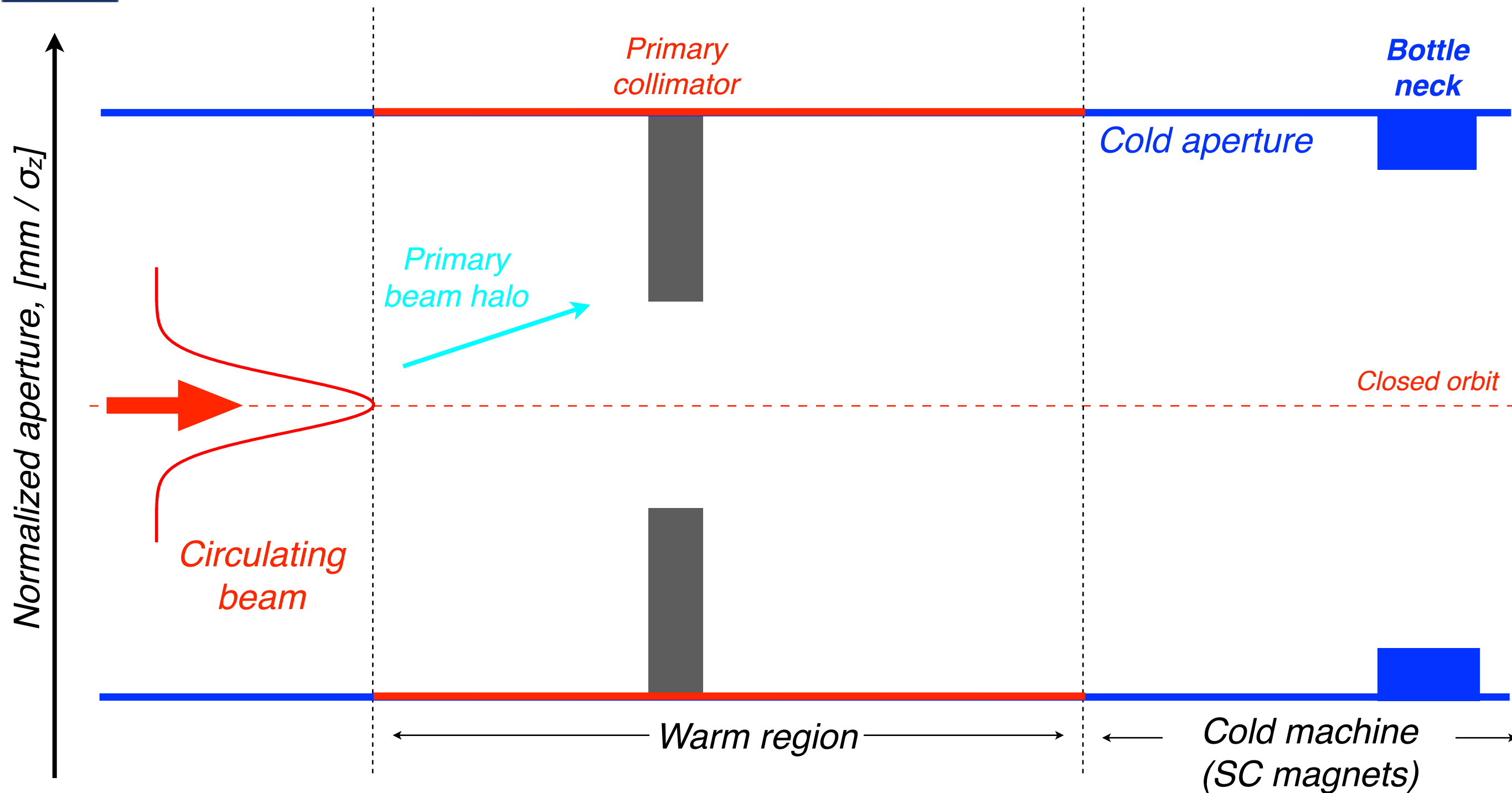


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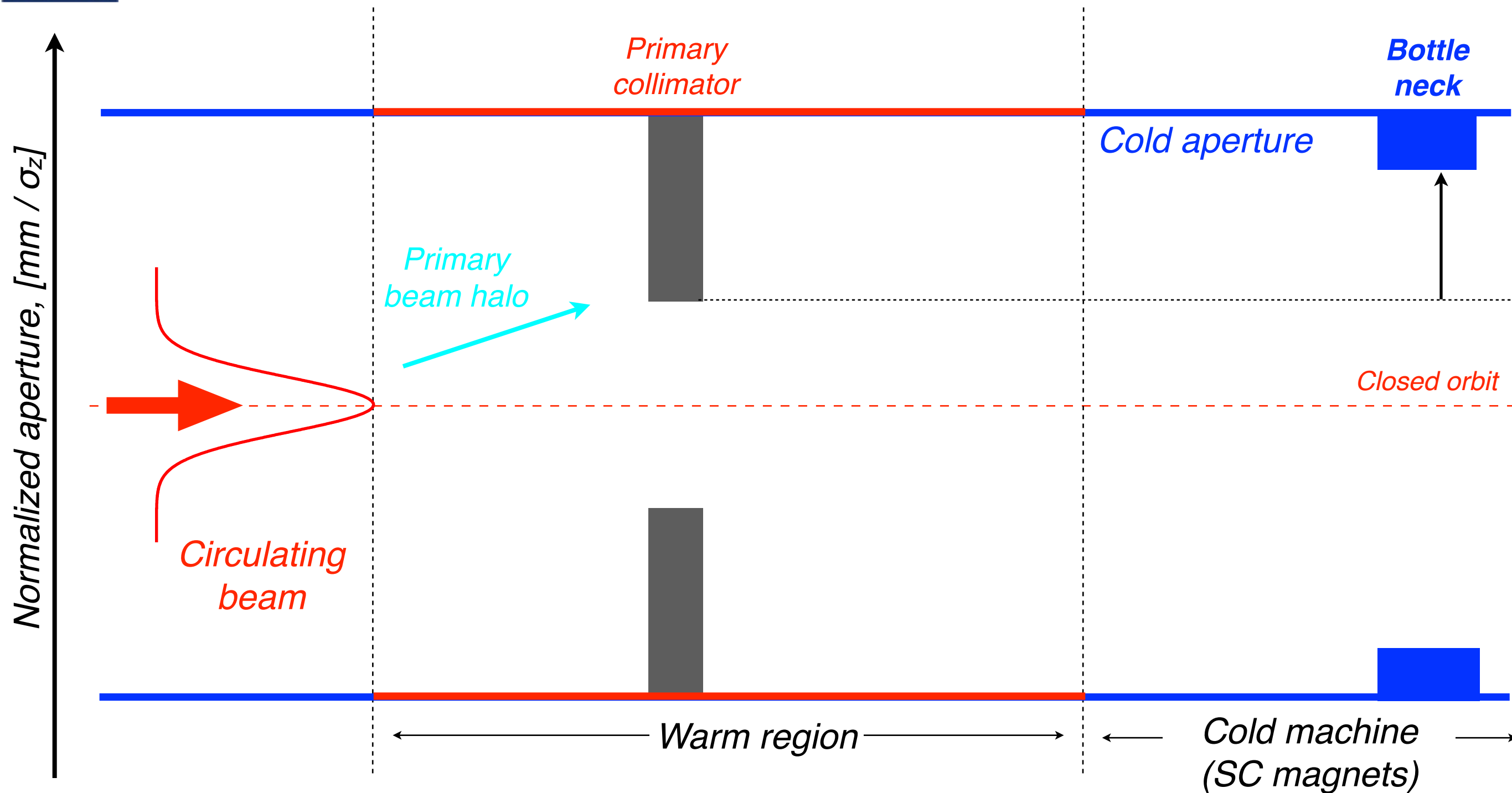
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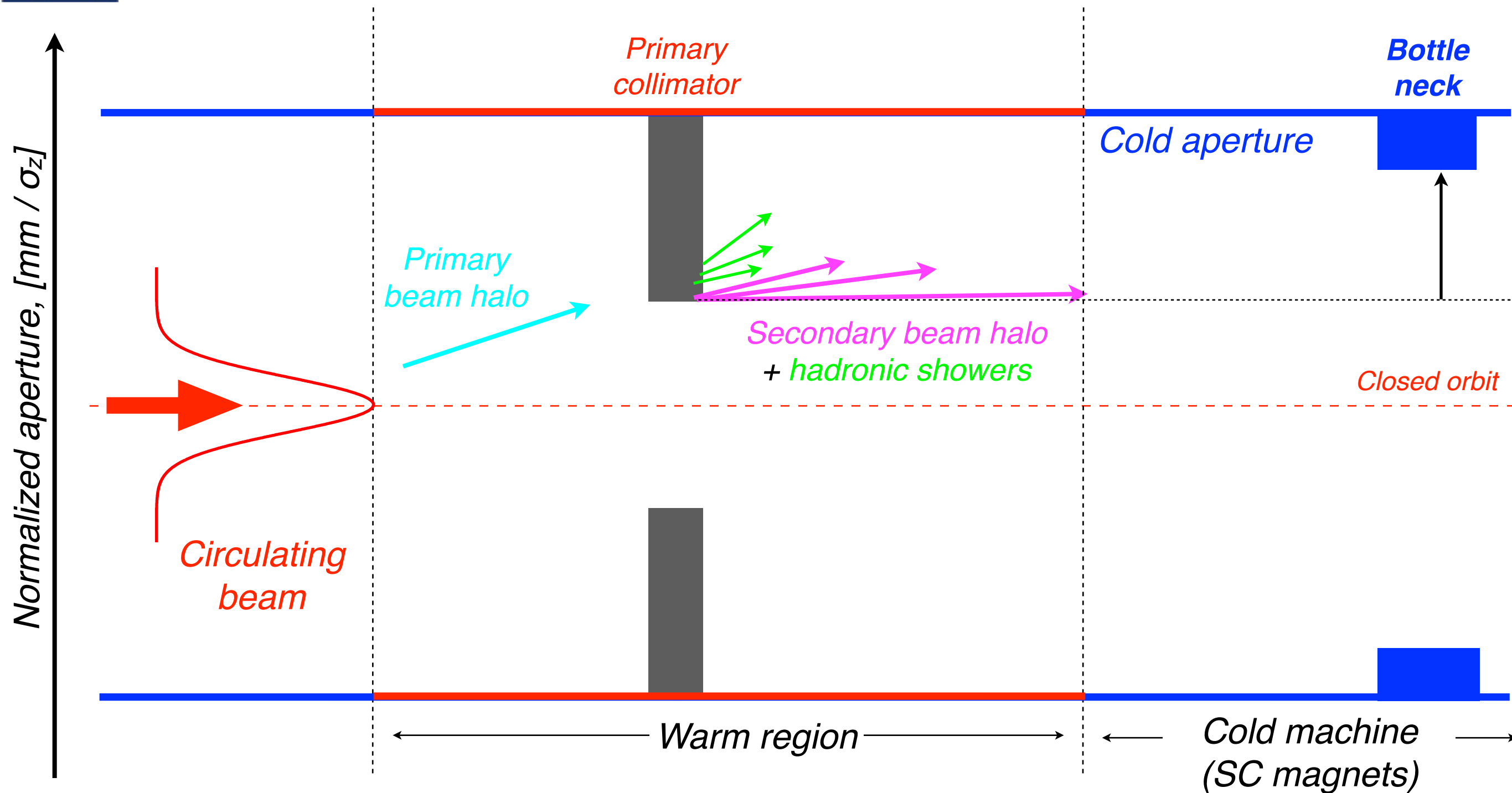
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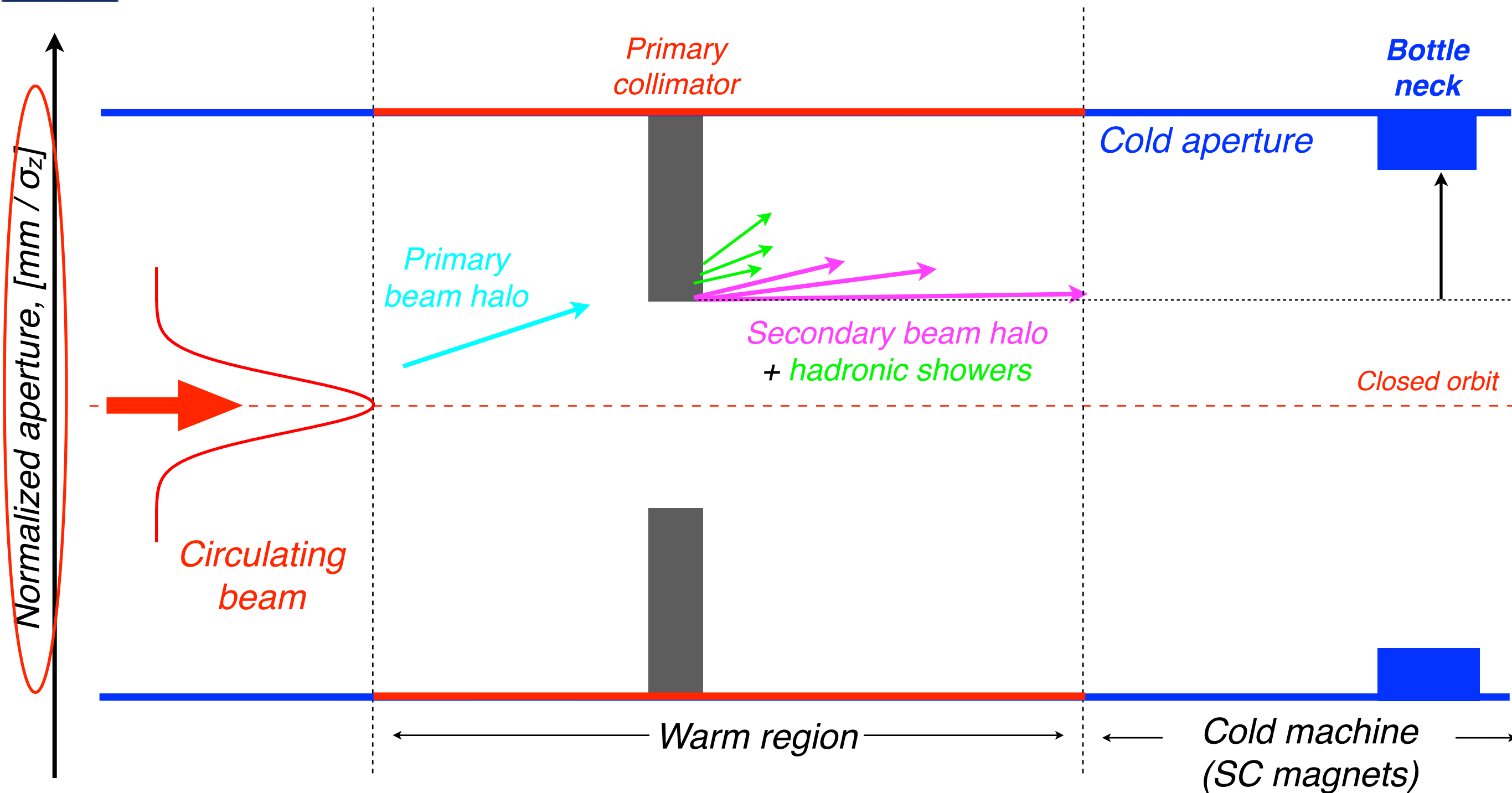
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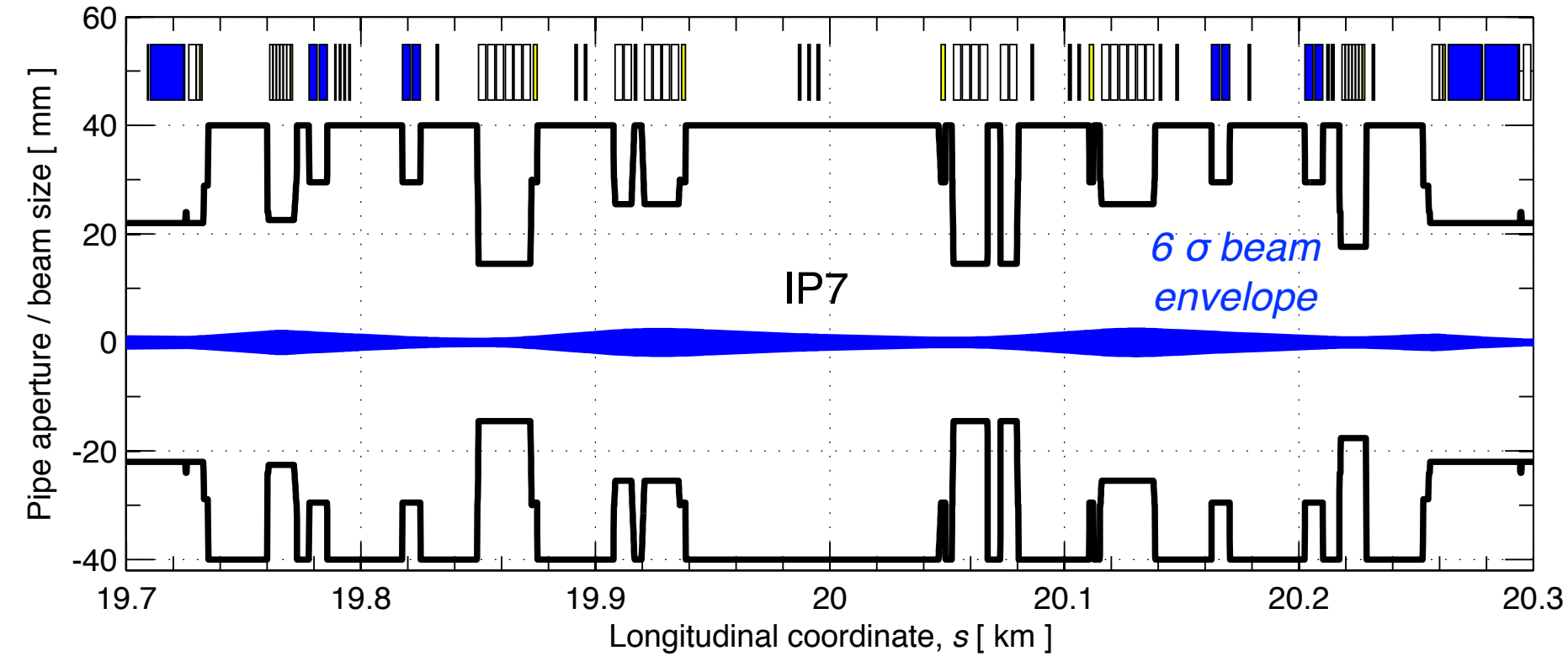
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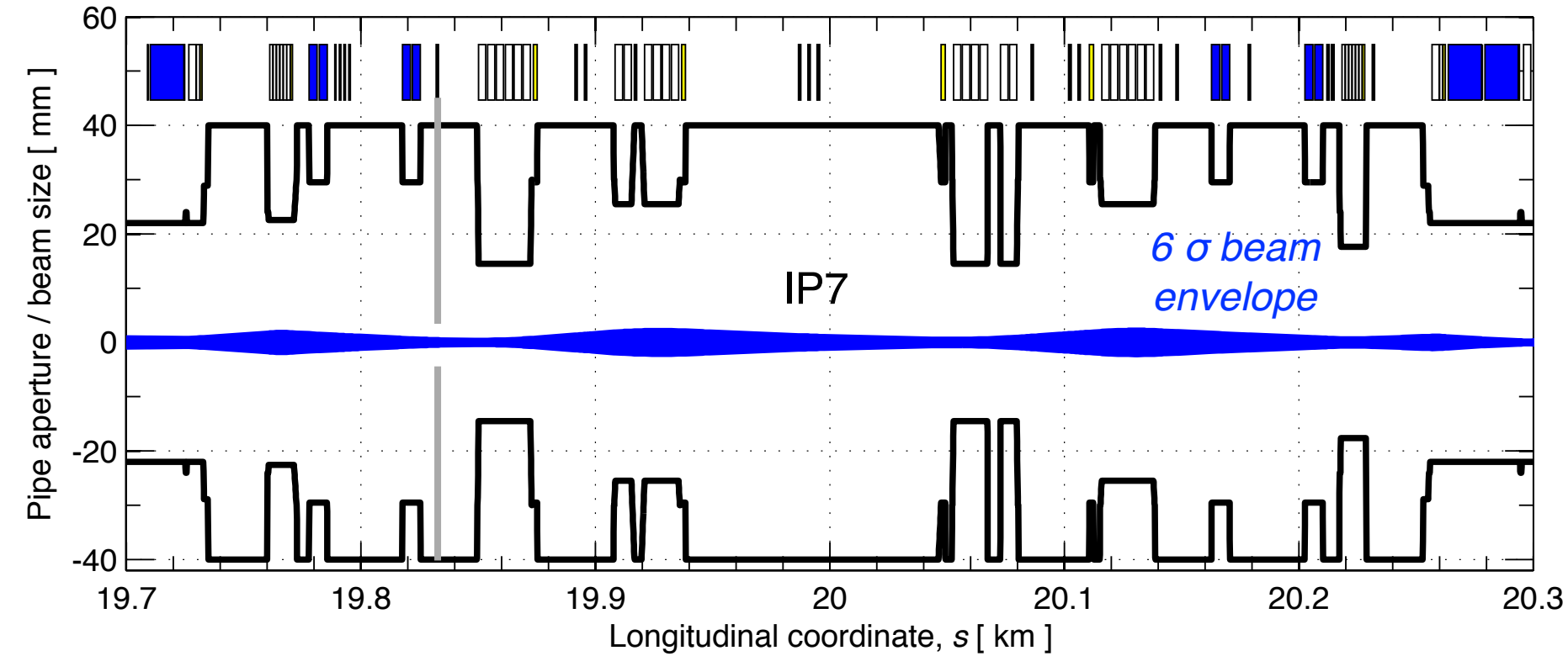
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$D_z$  : dispersion function

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$g$  : collimator gap in millimeters



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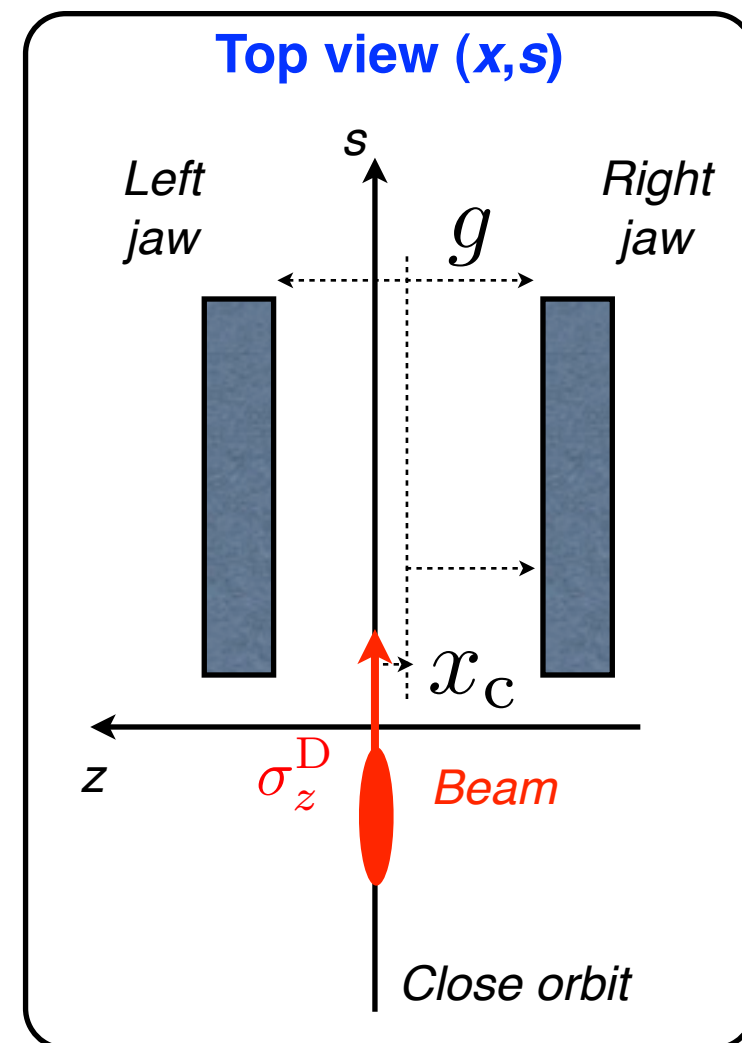
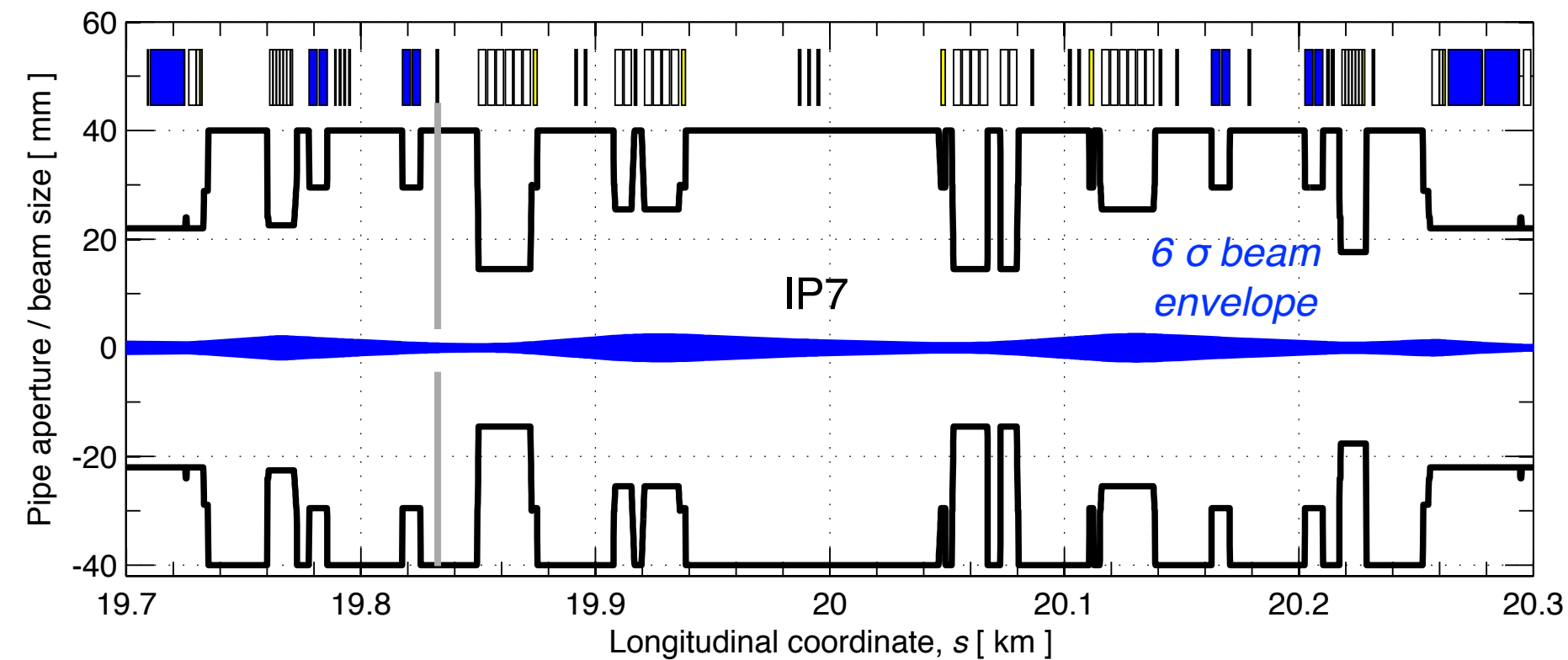
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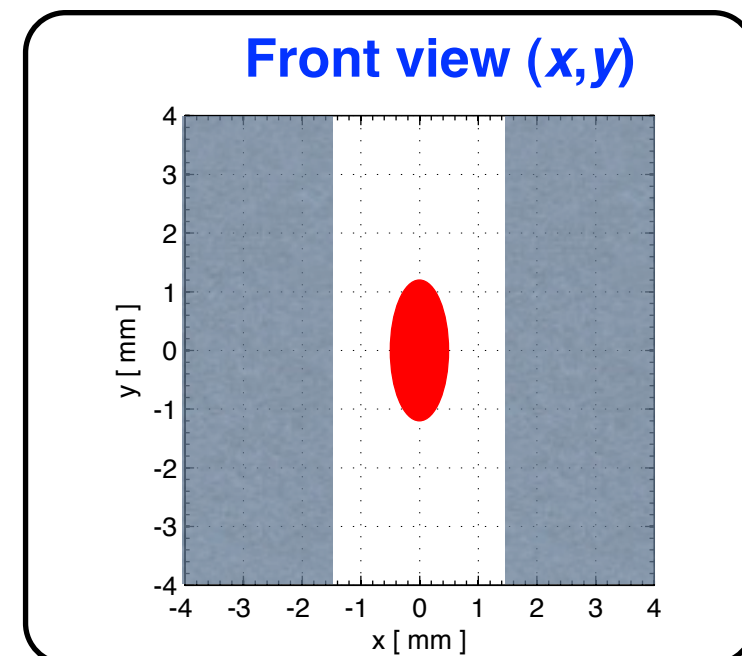
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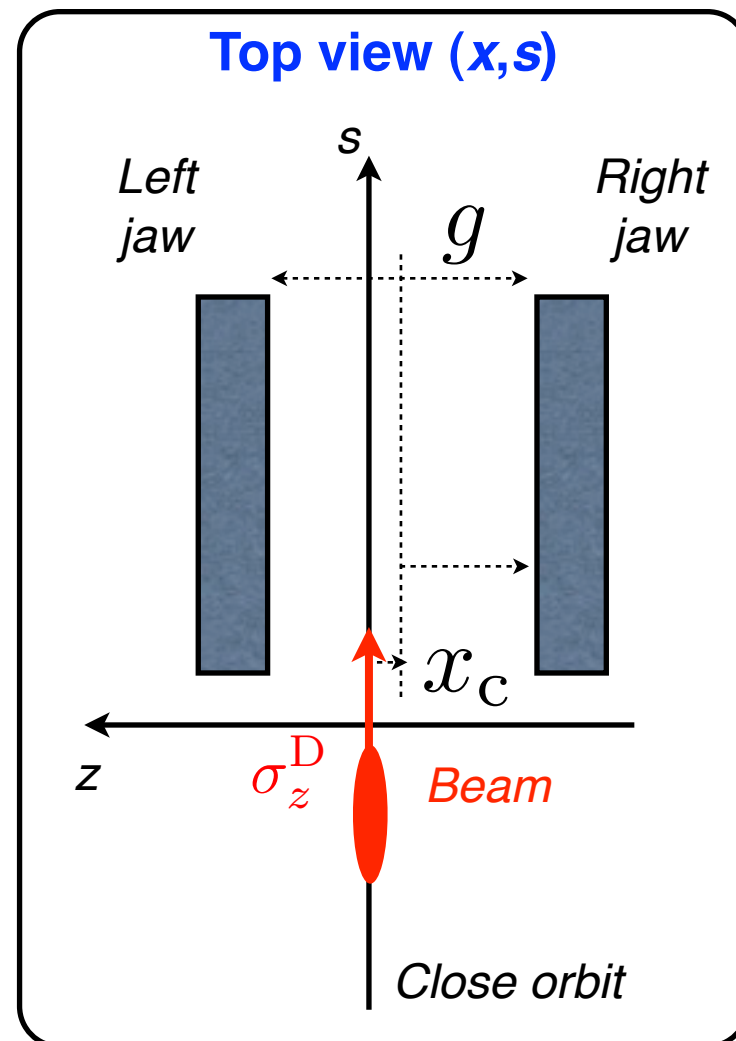
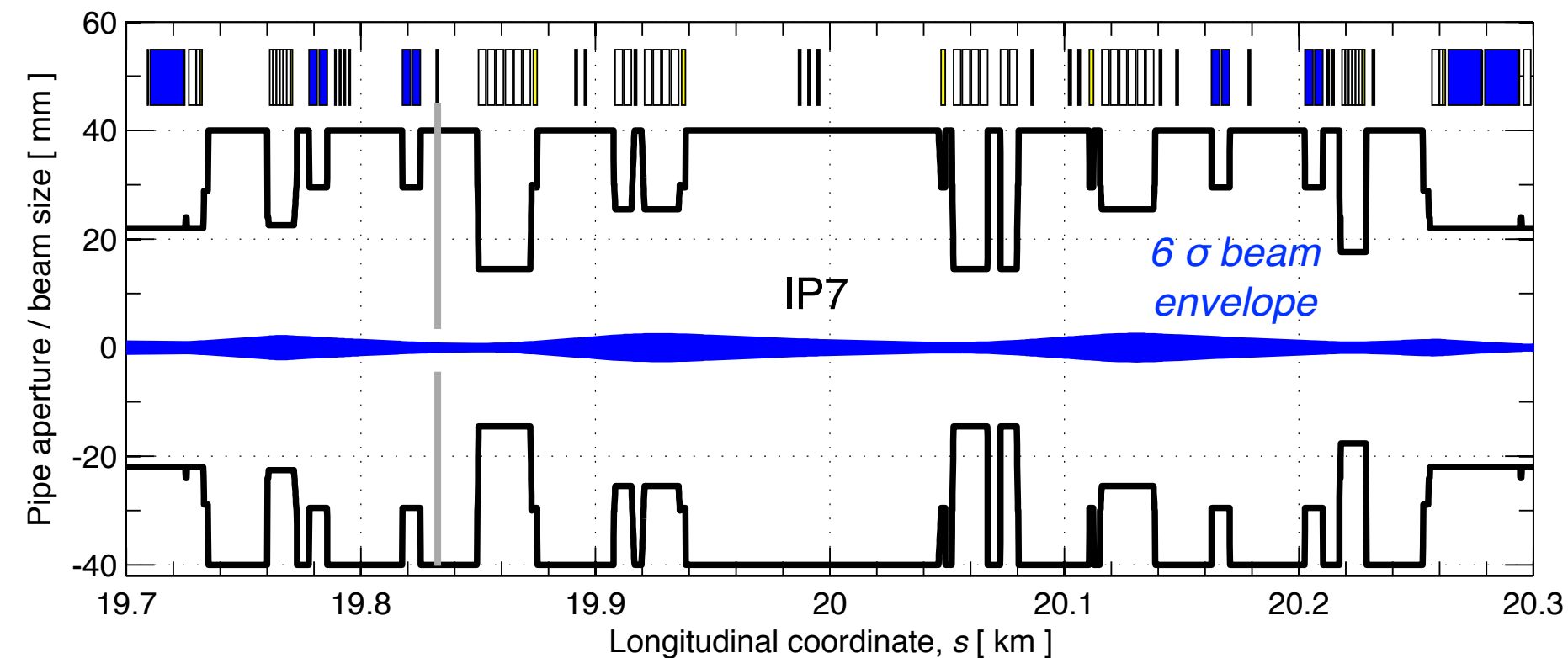
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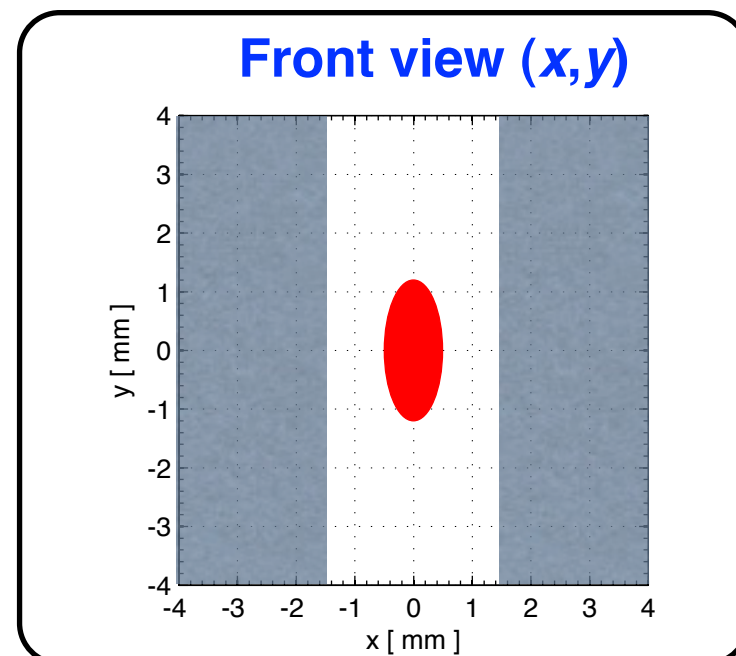
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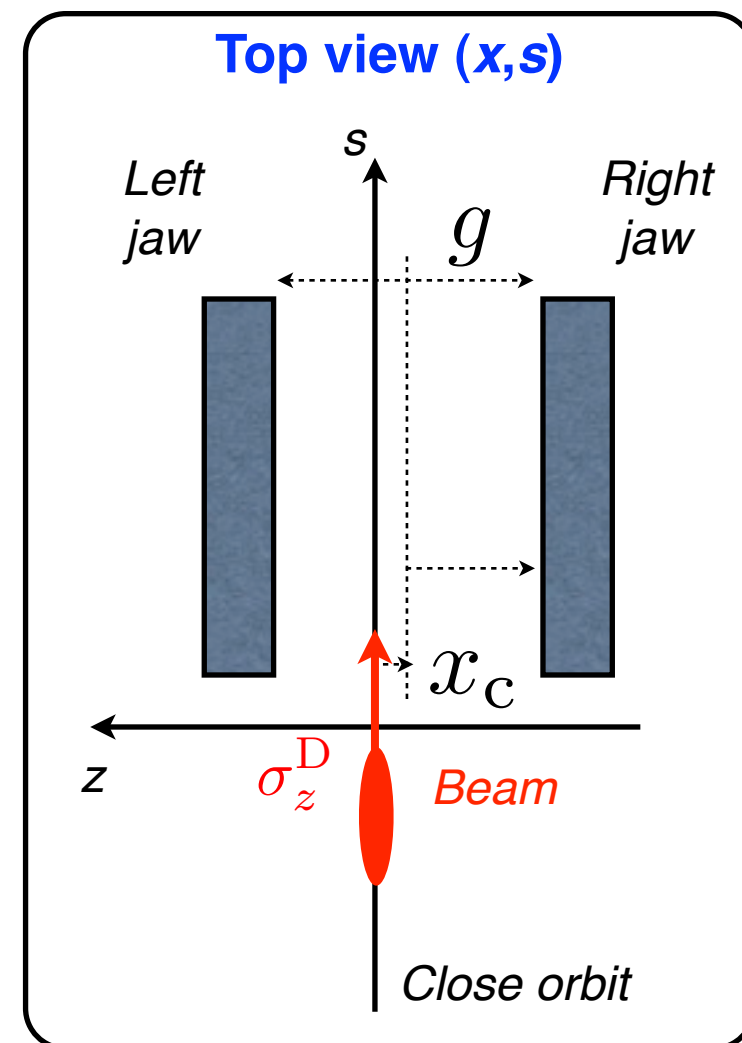
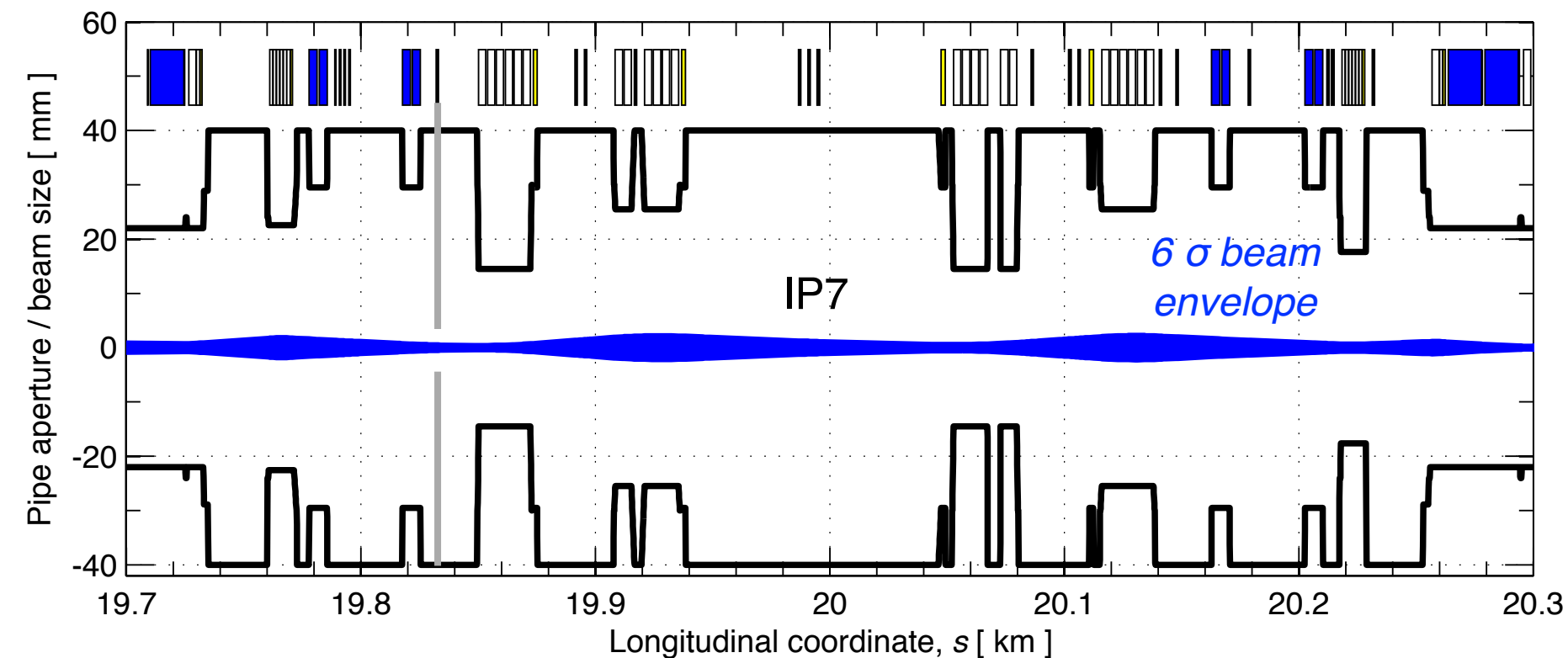
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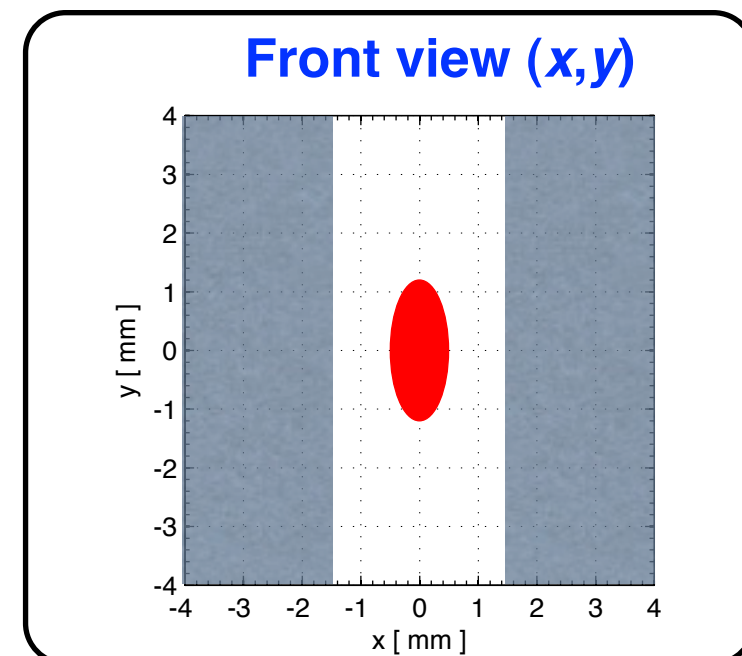
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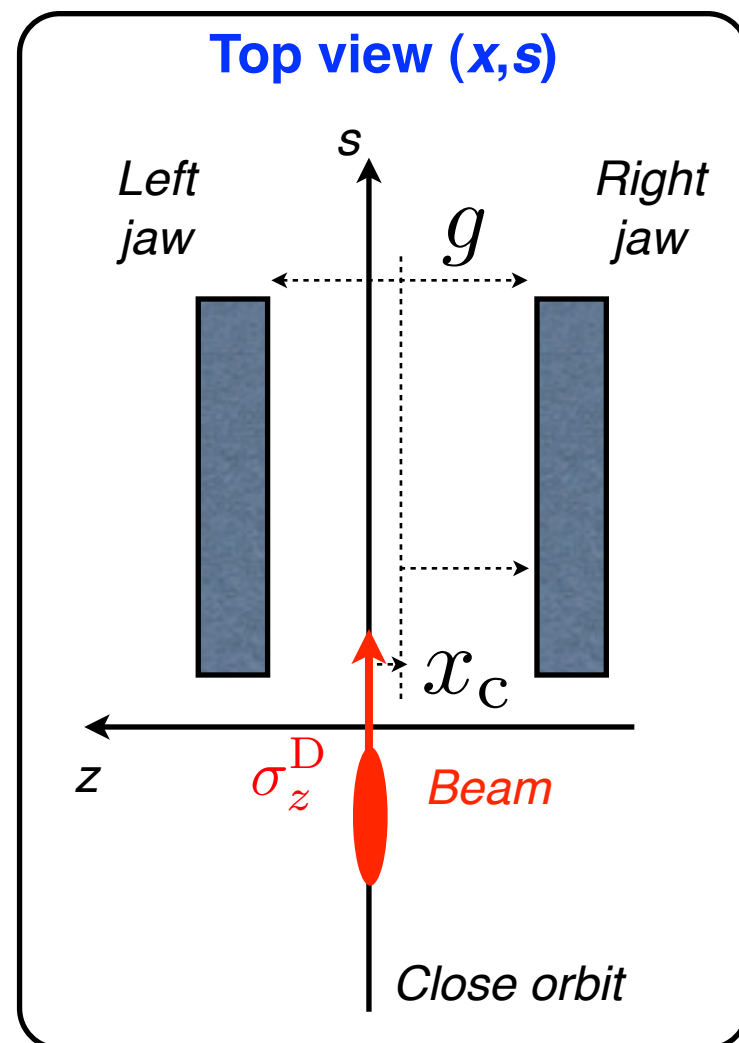
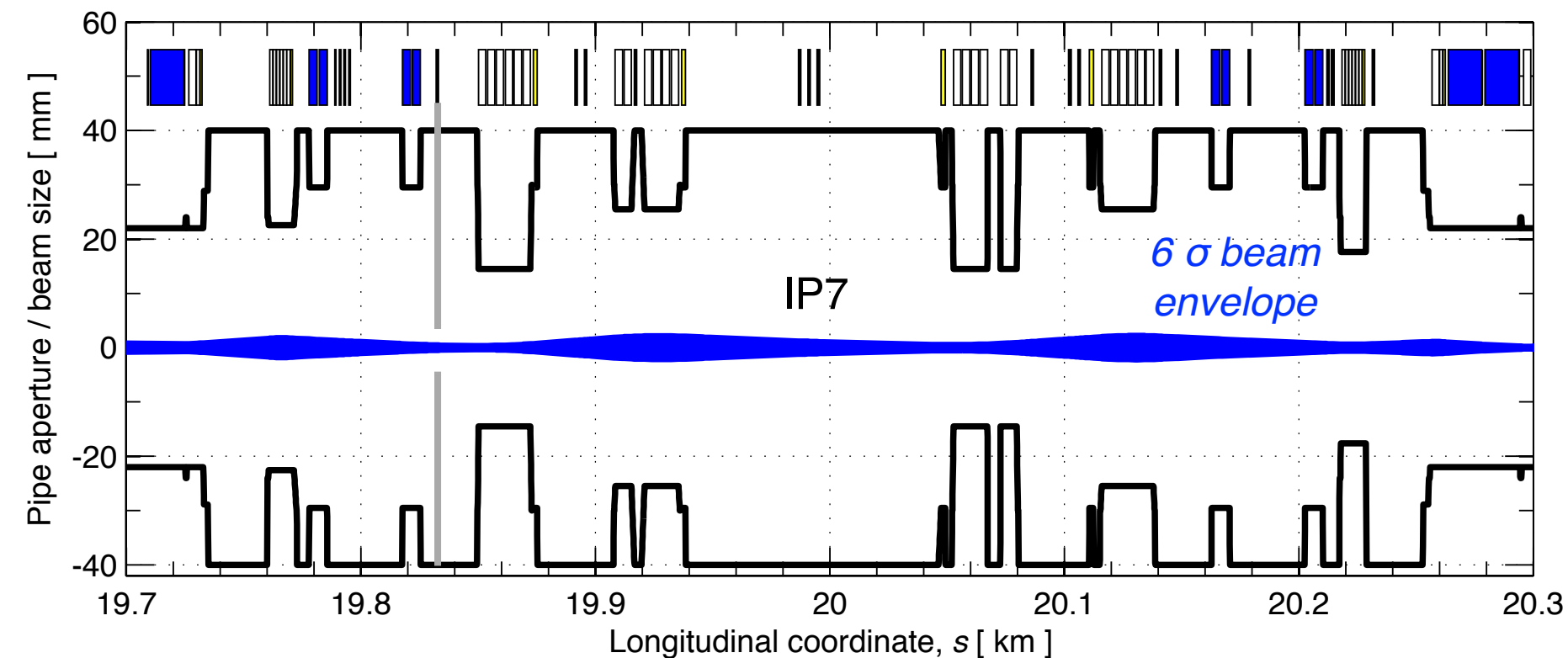
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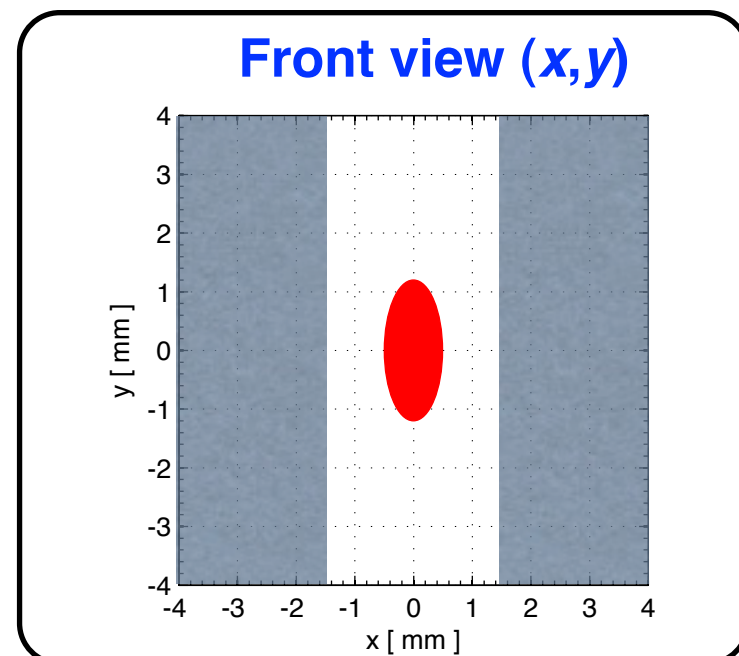
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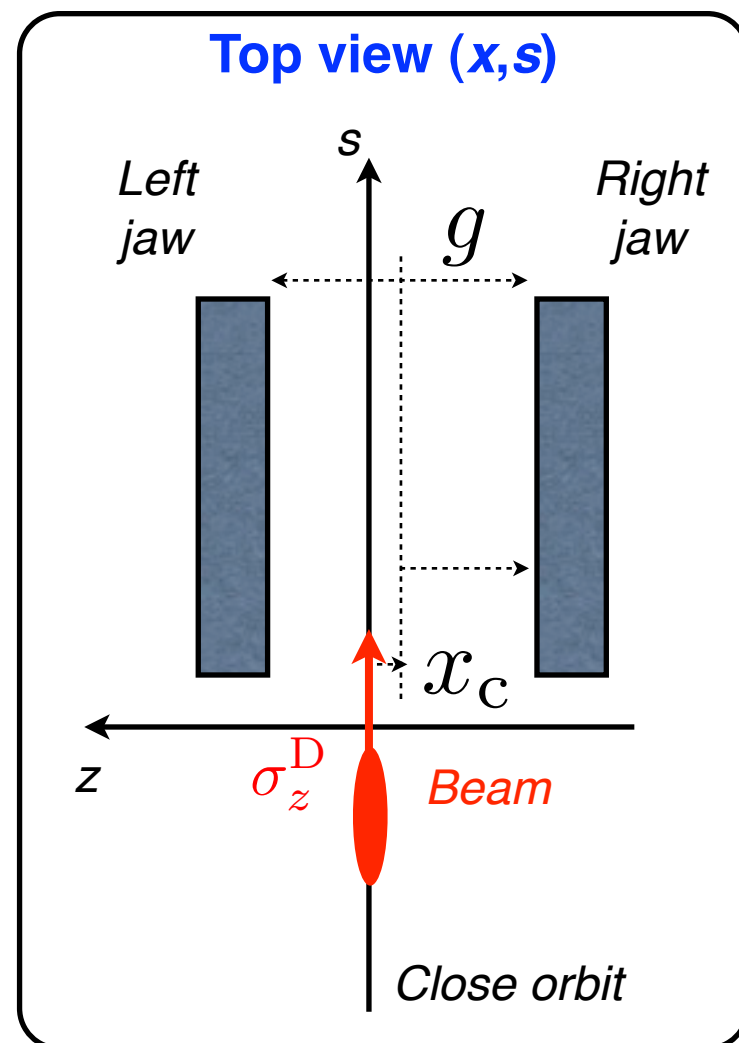
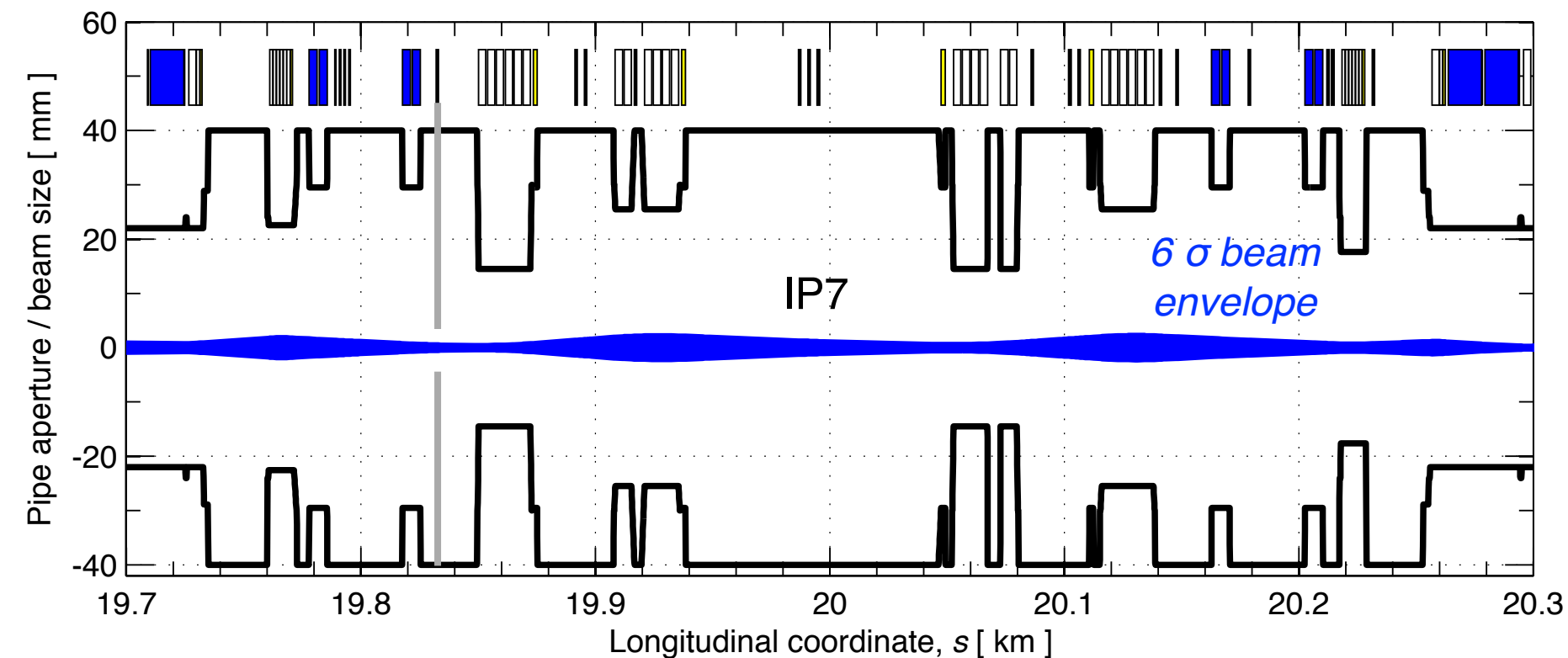
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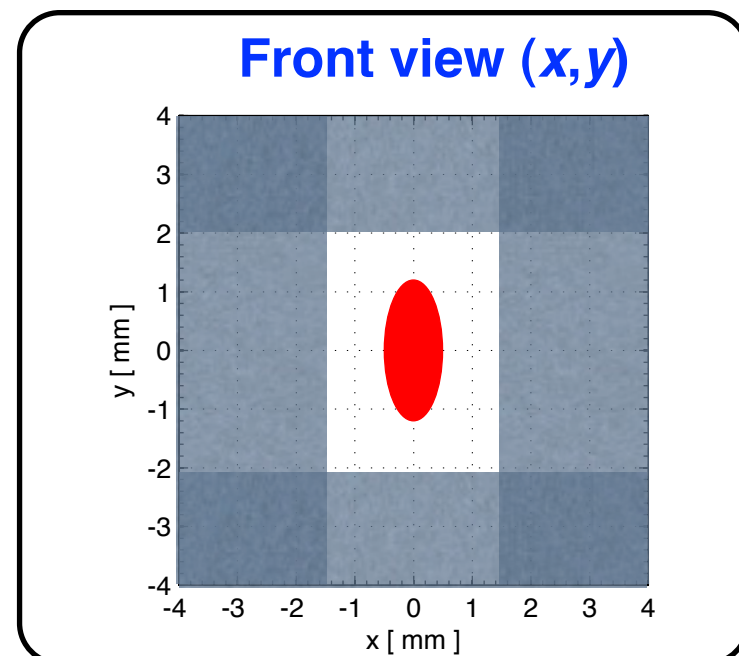
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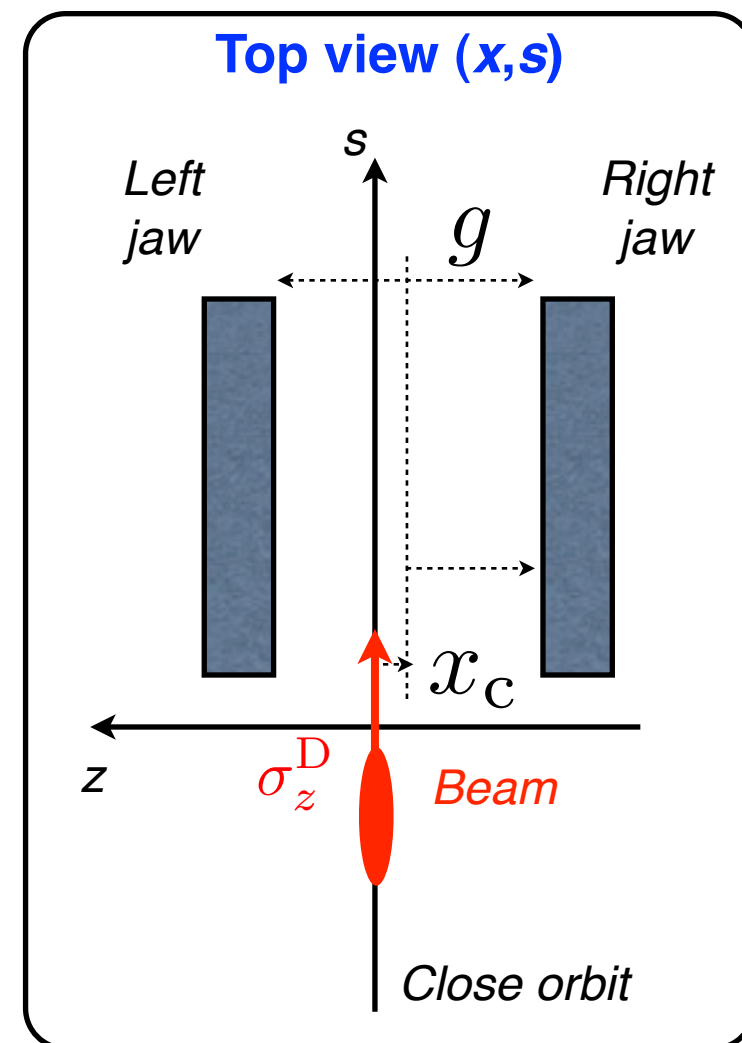
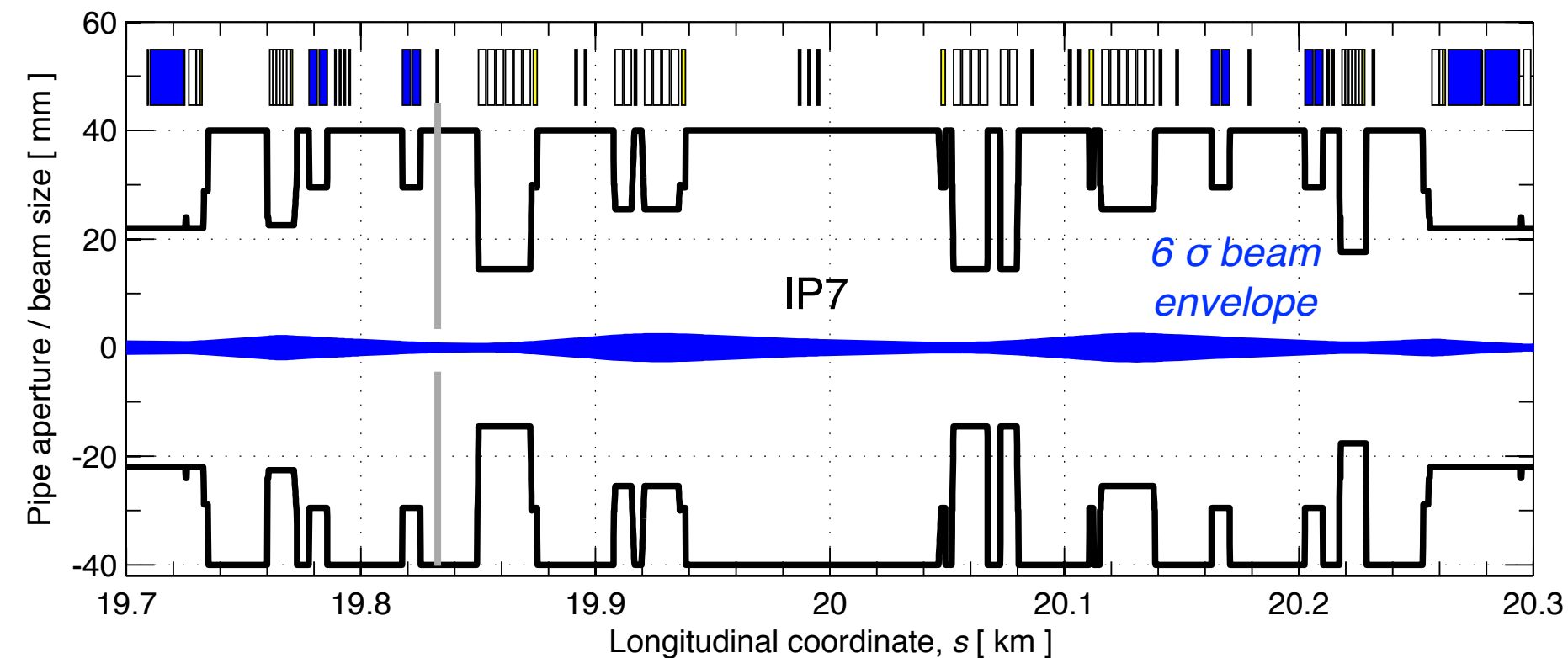
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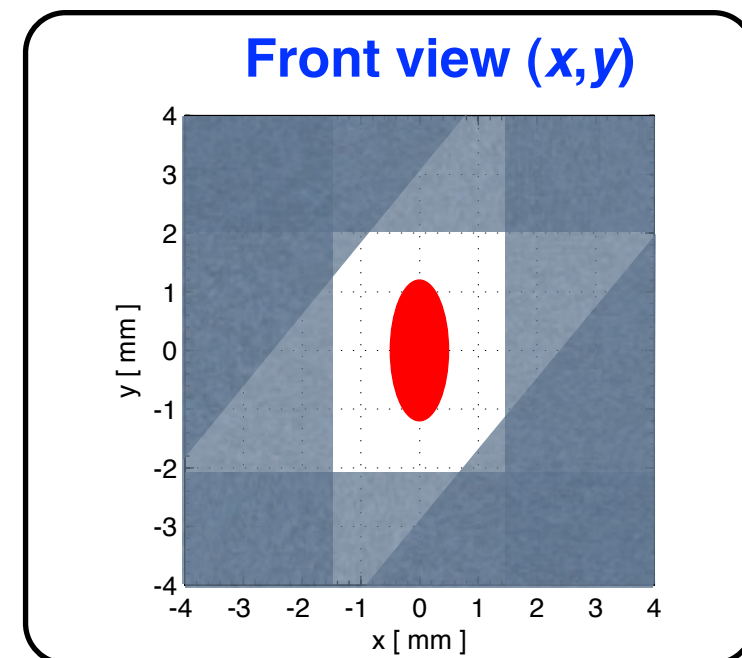
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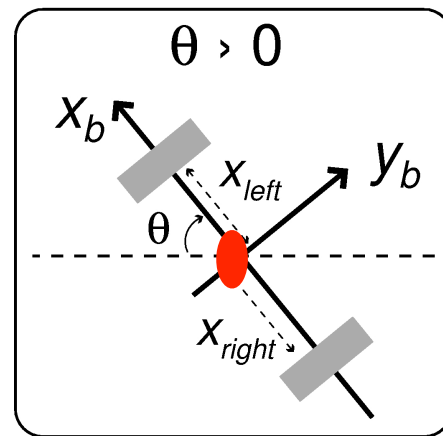
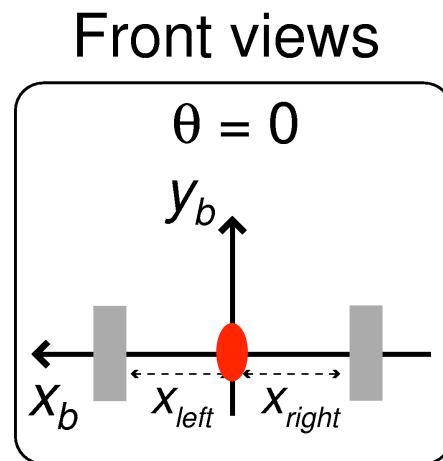
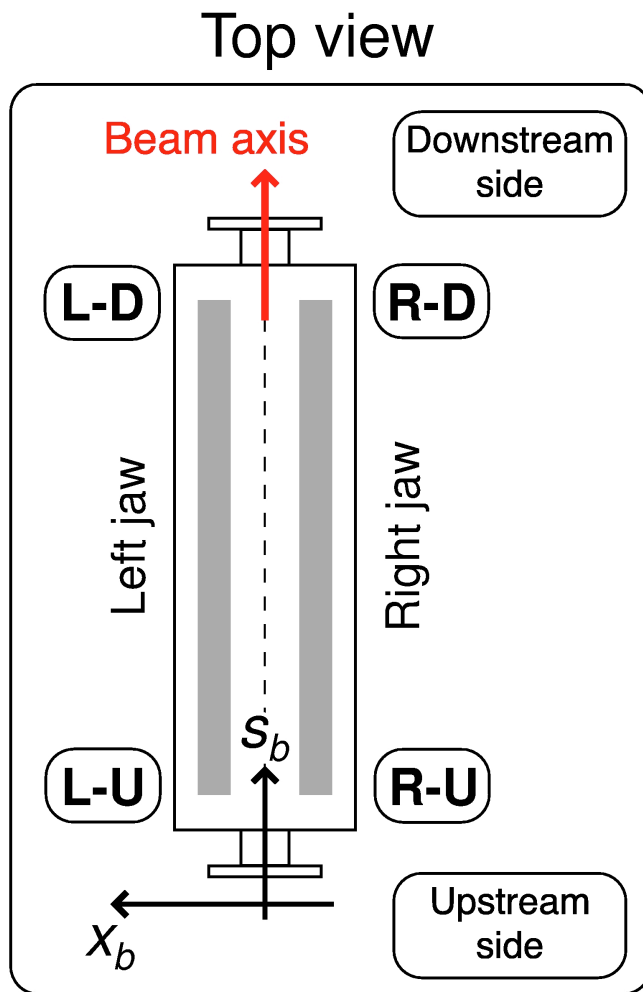
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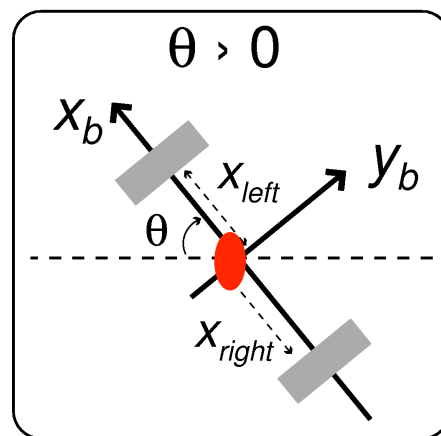
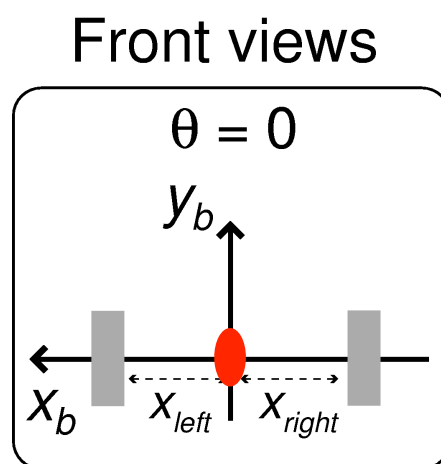
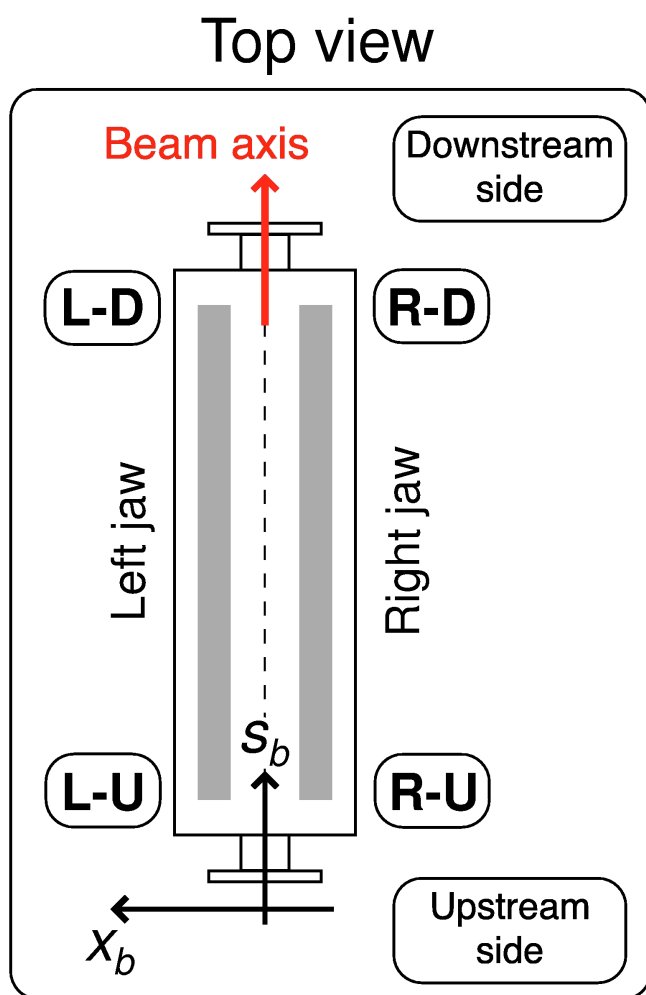


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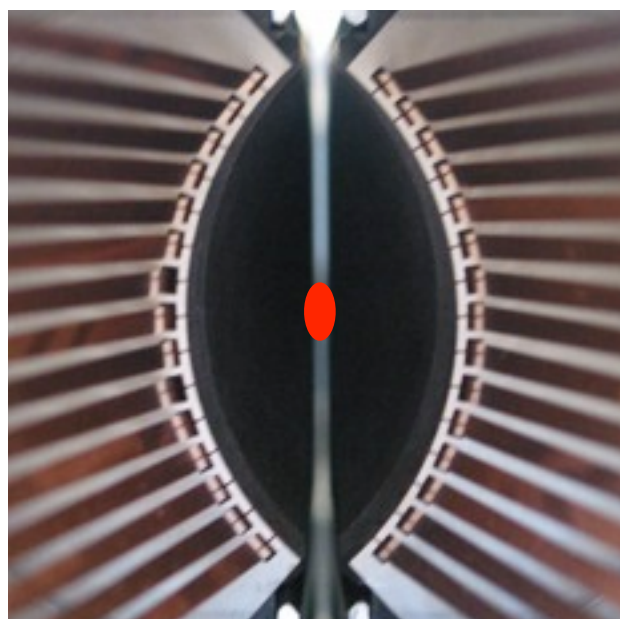


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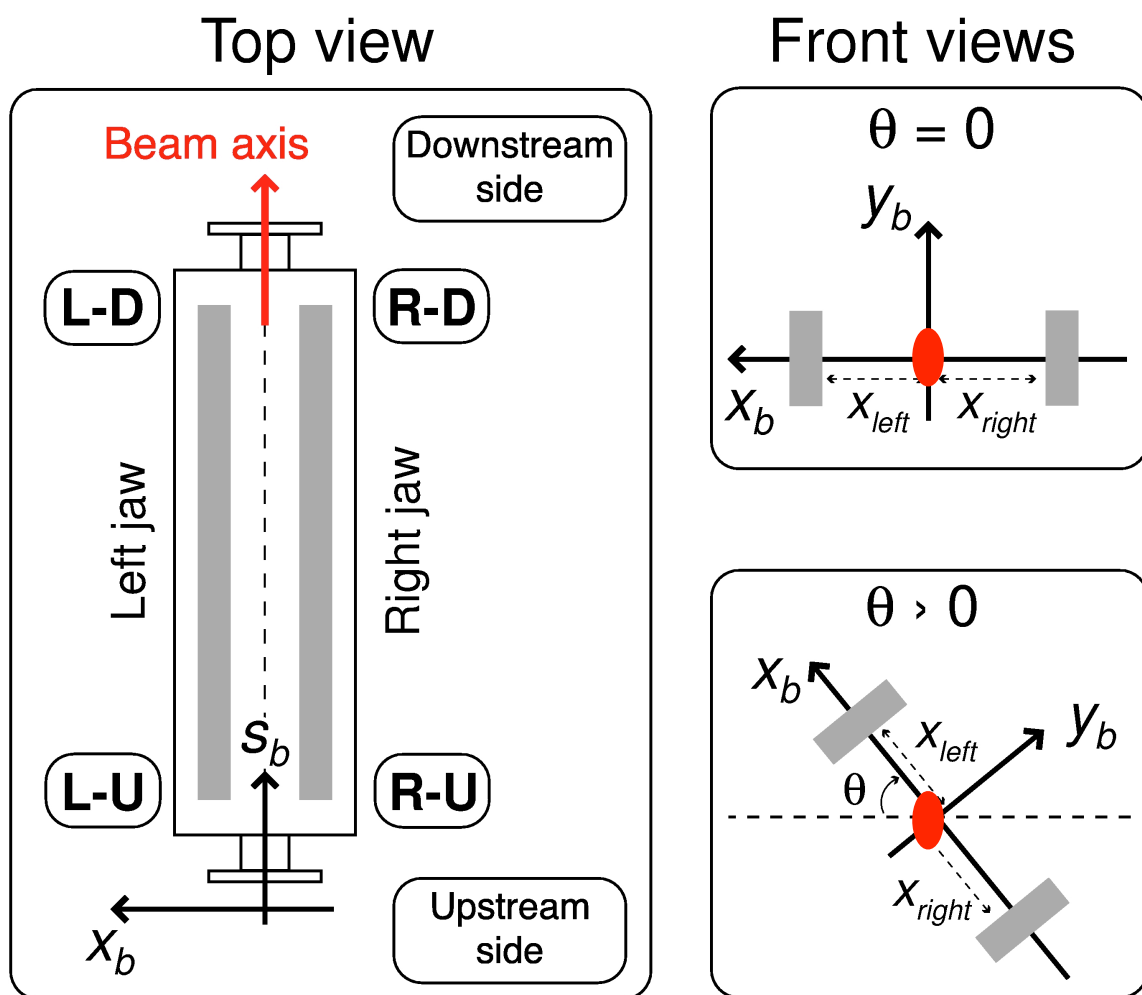
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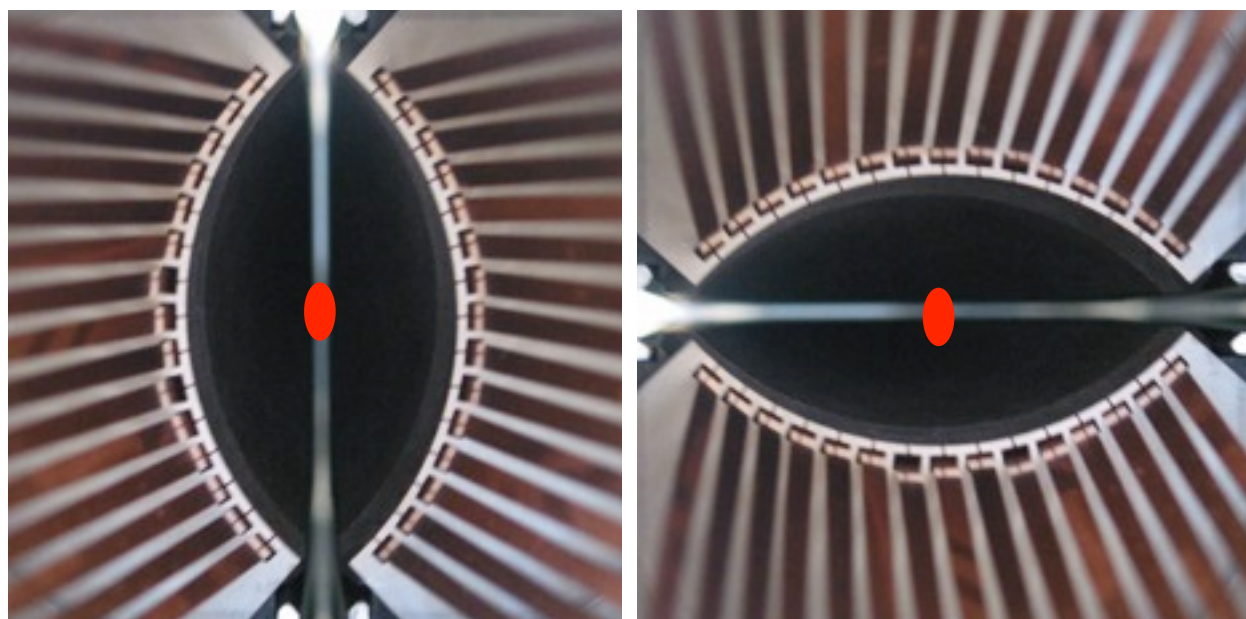
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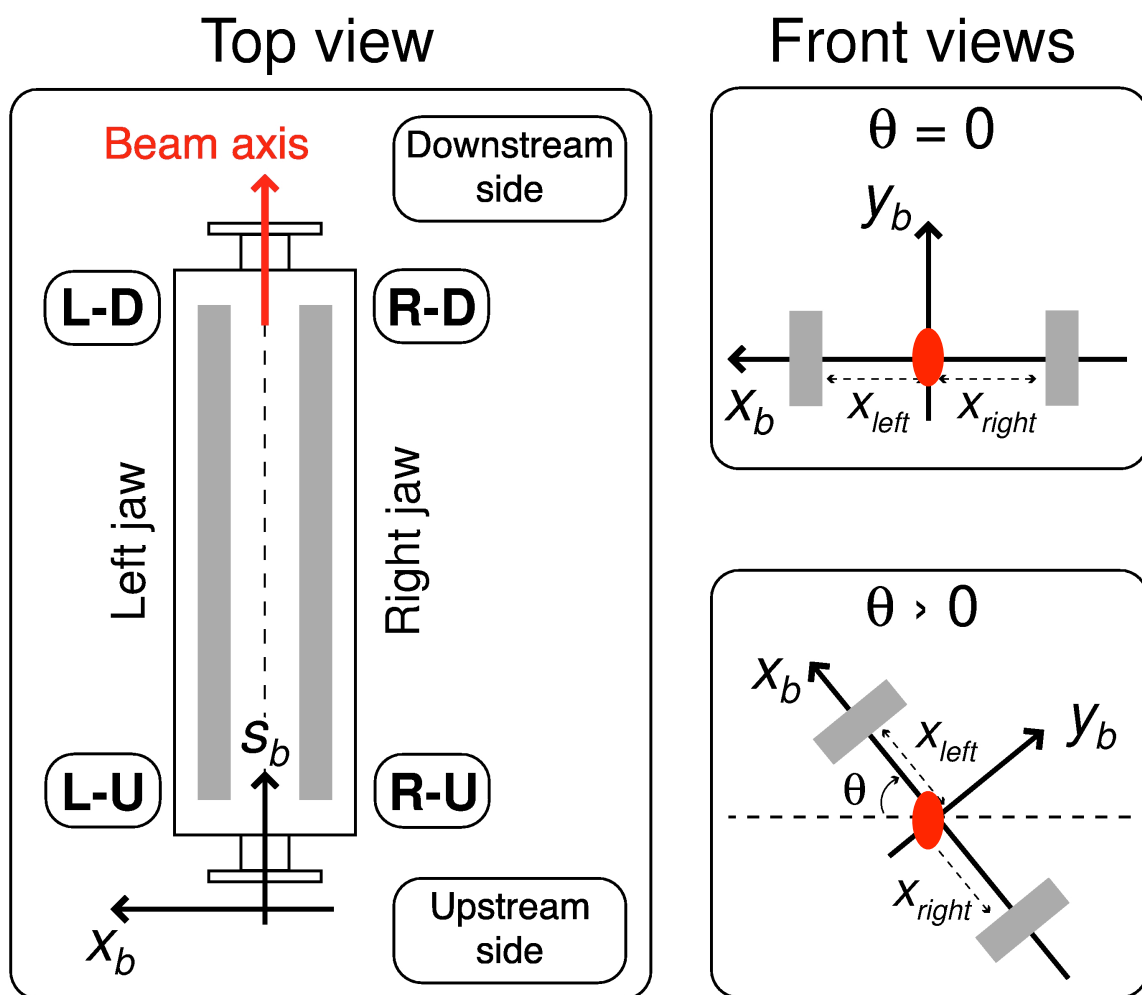
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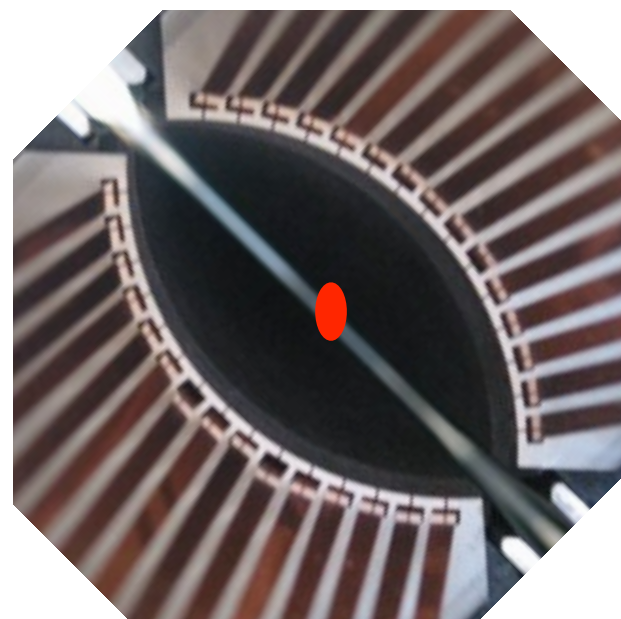
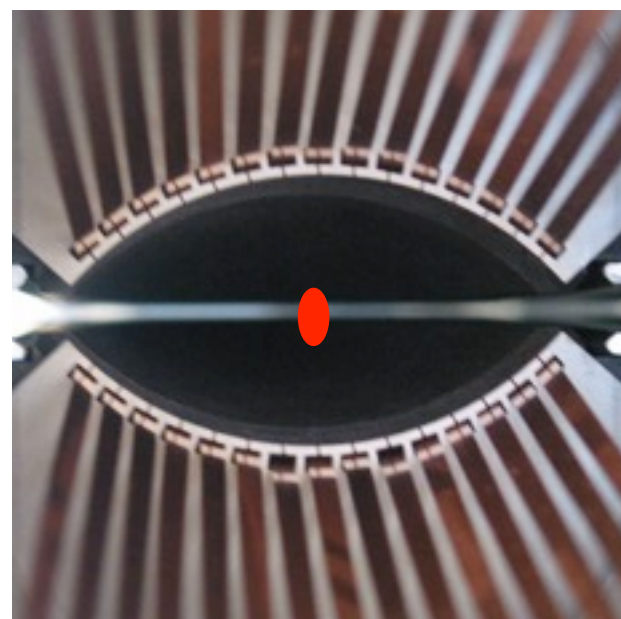
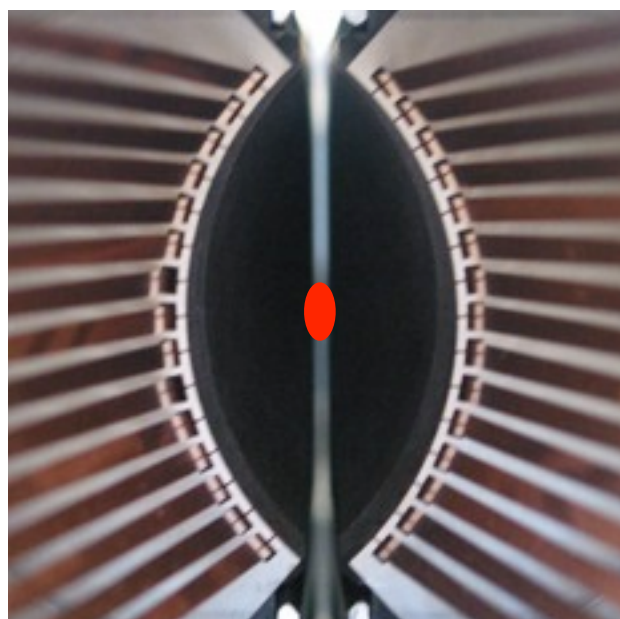
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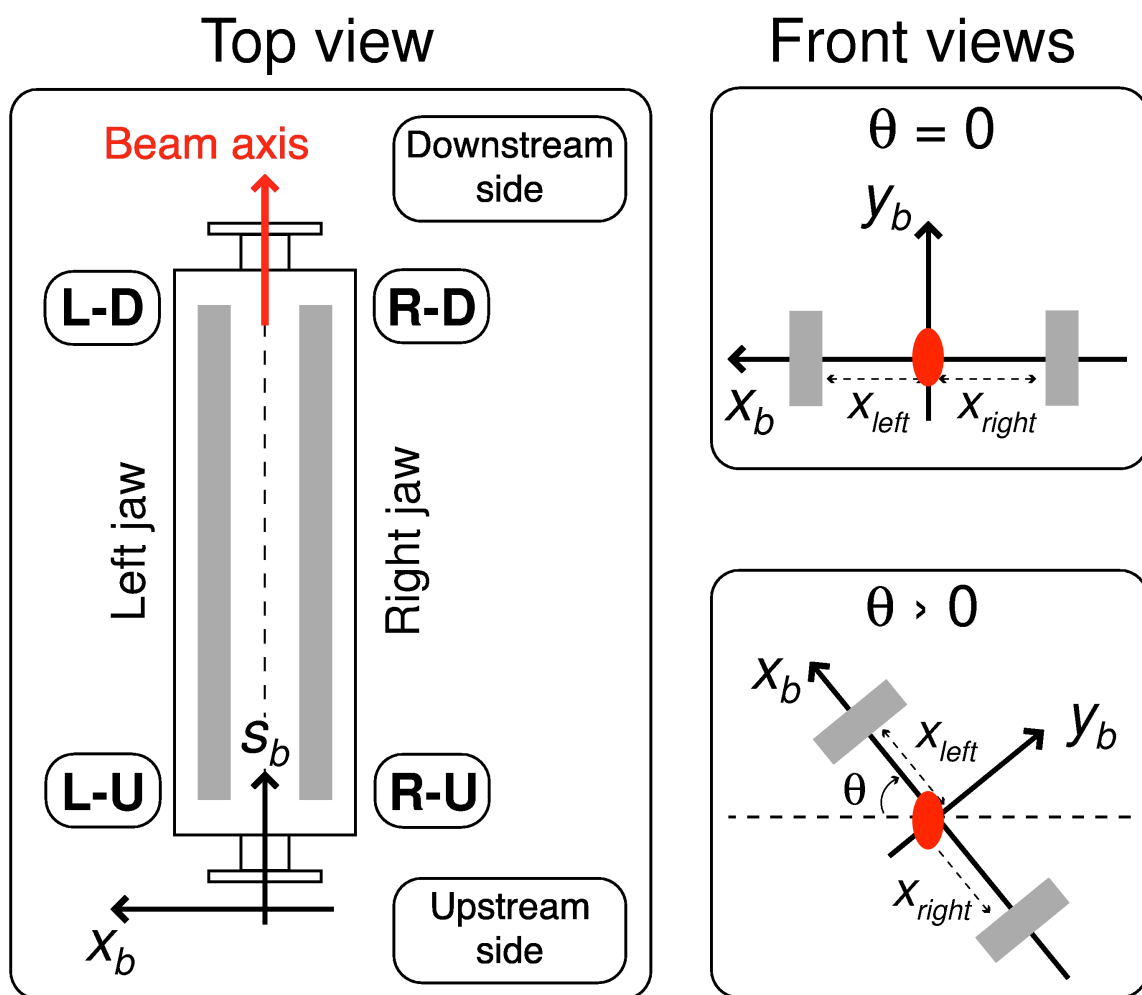
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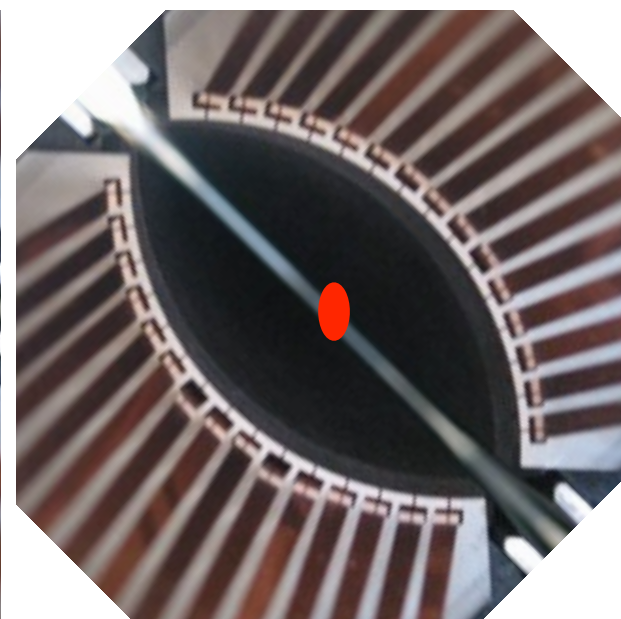
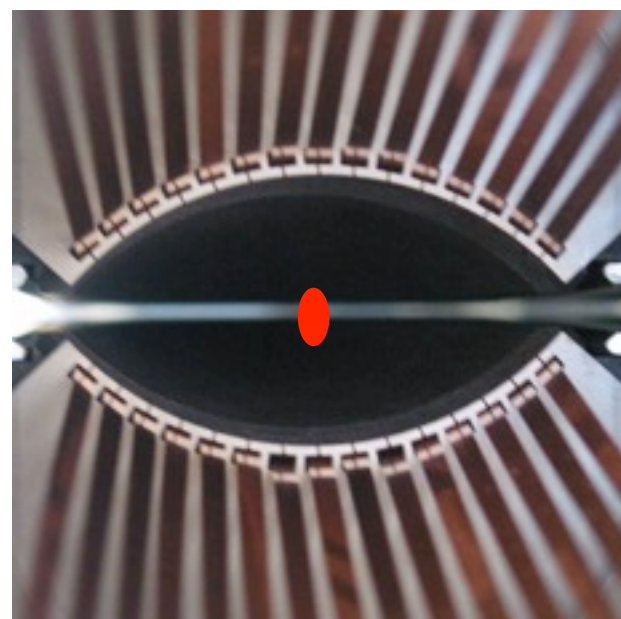
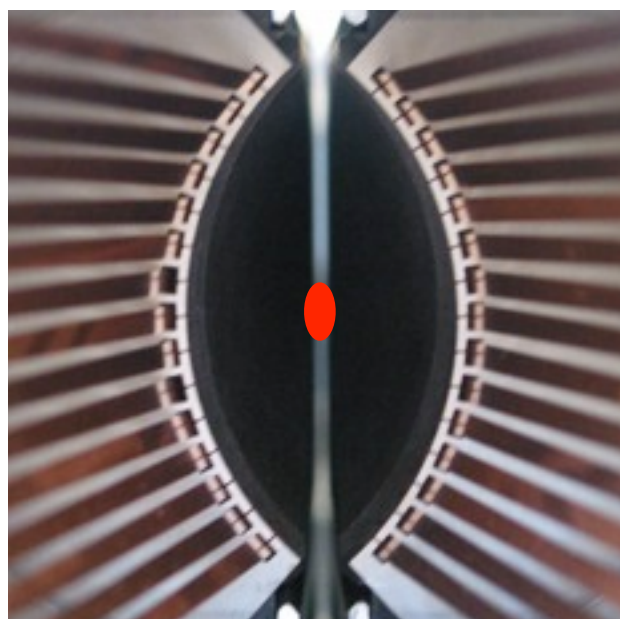
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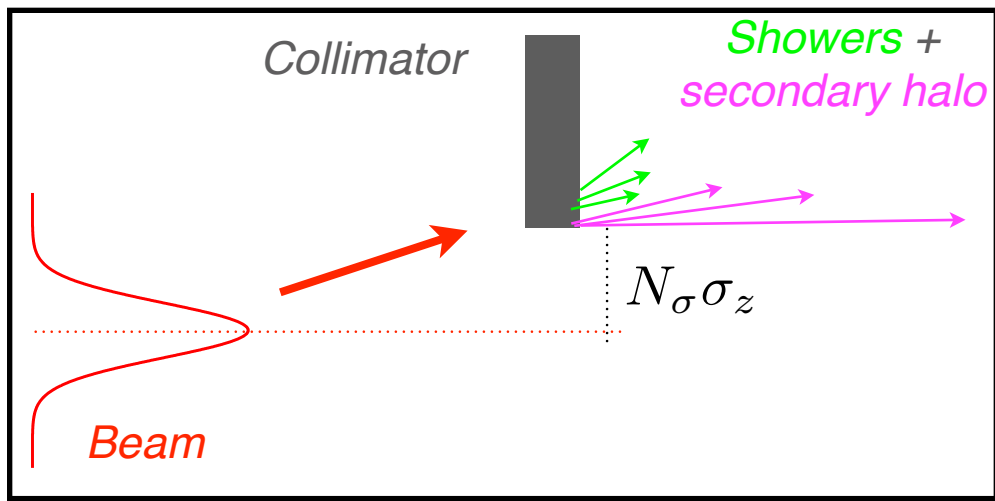
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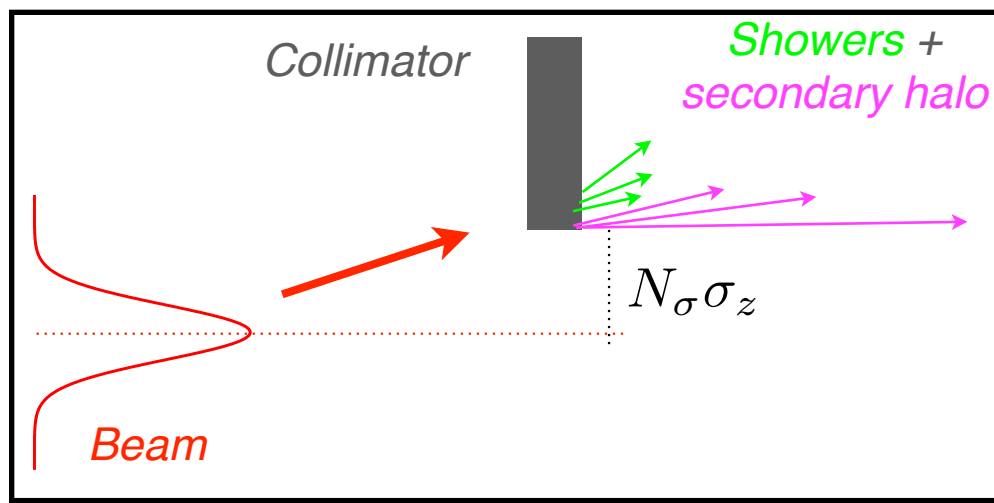
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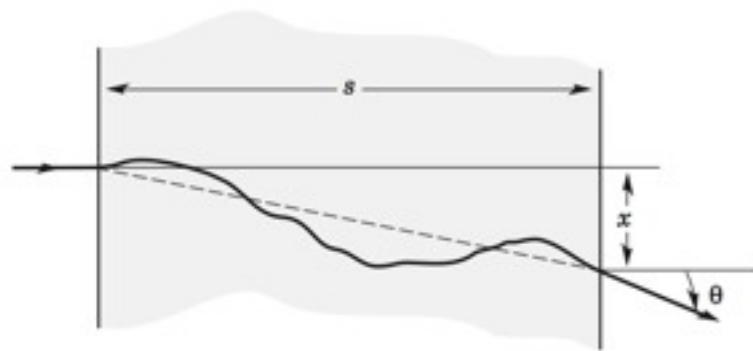


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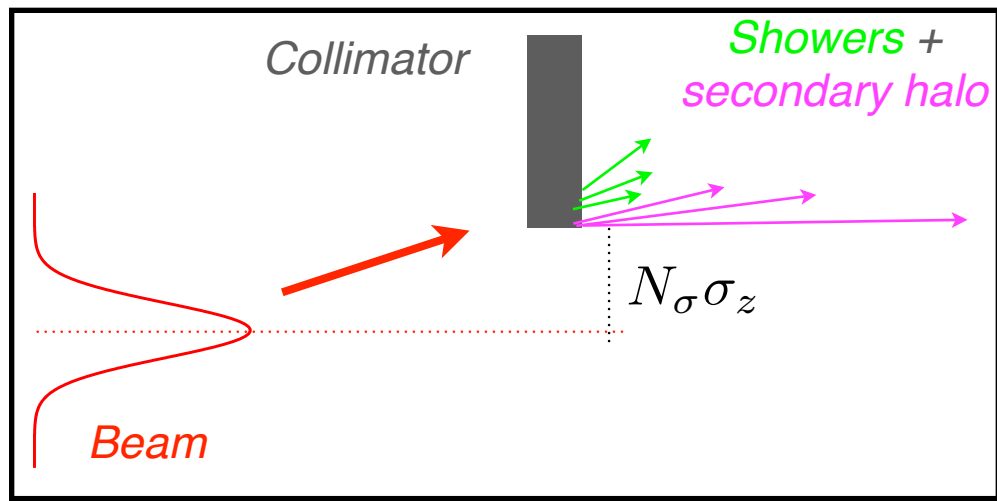


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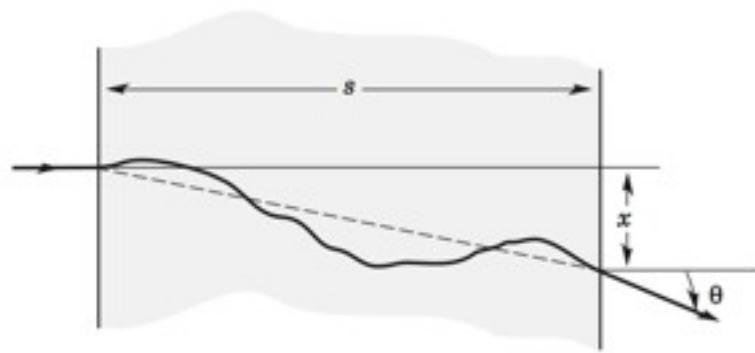


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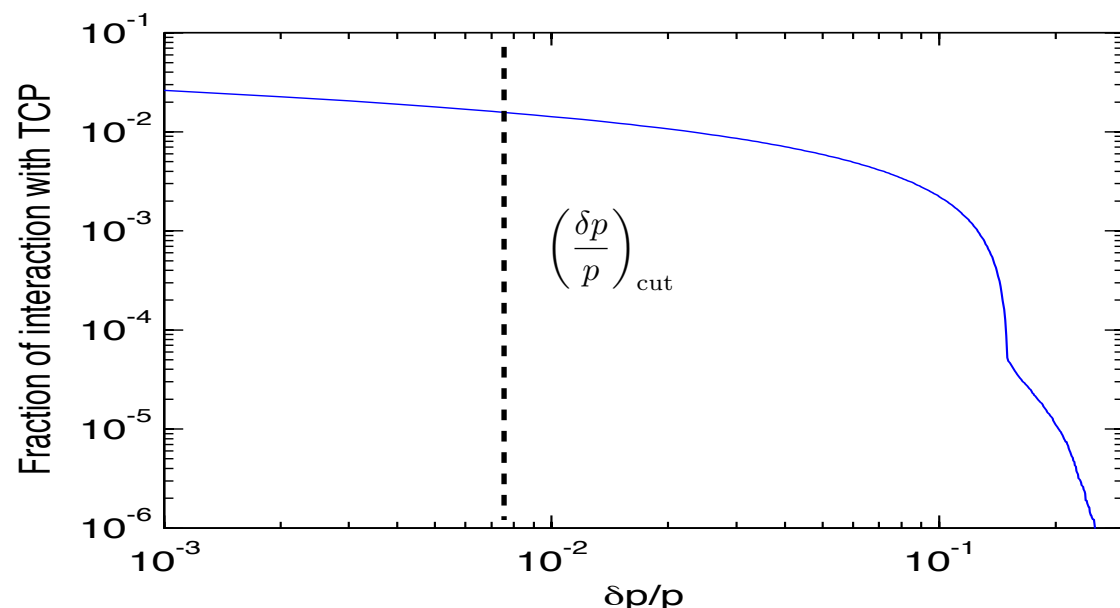


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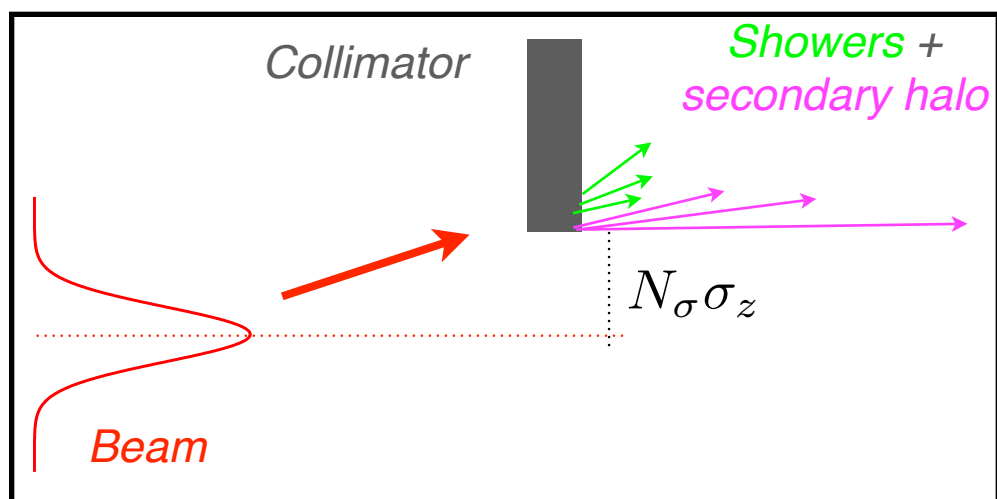
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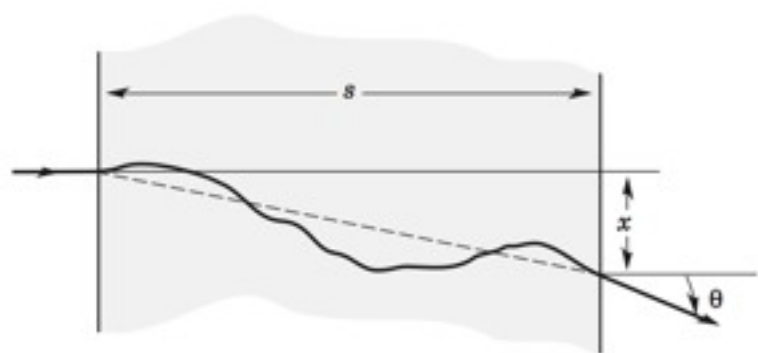


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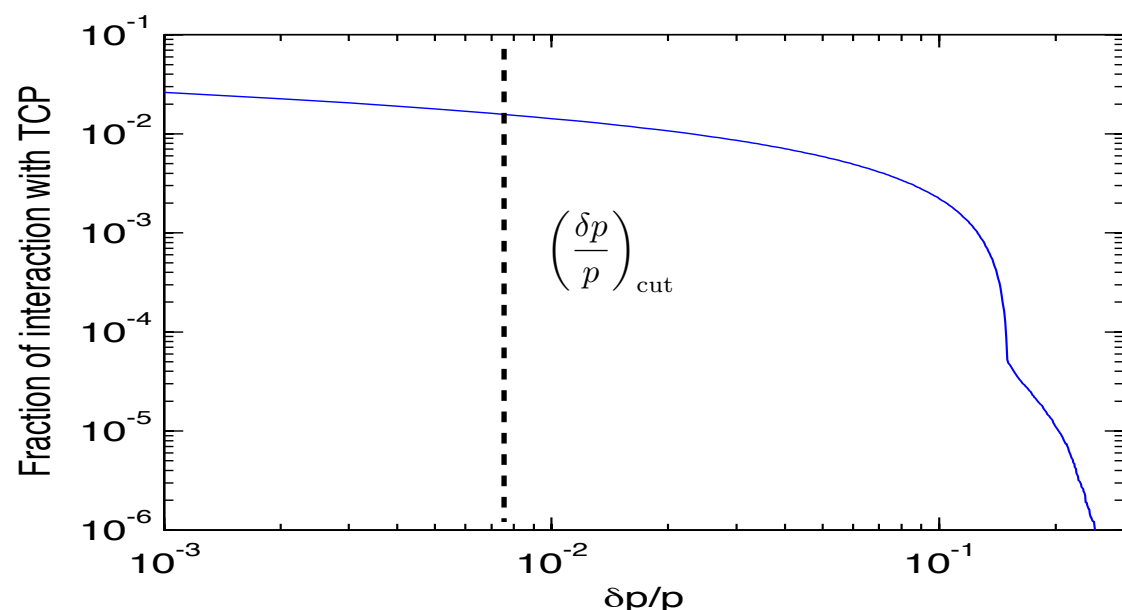


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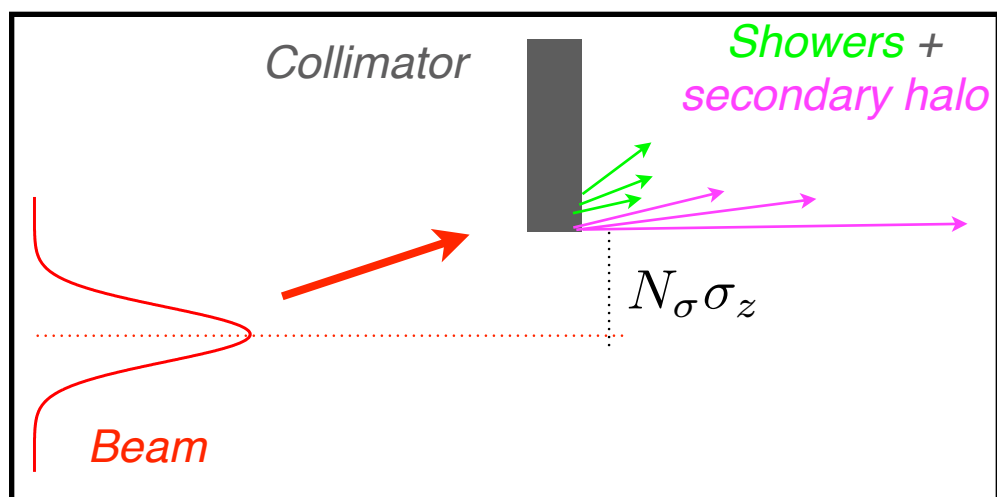
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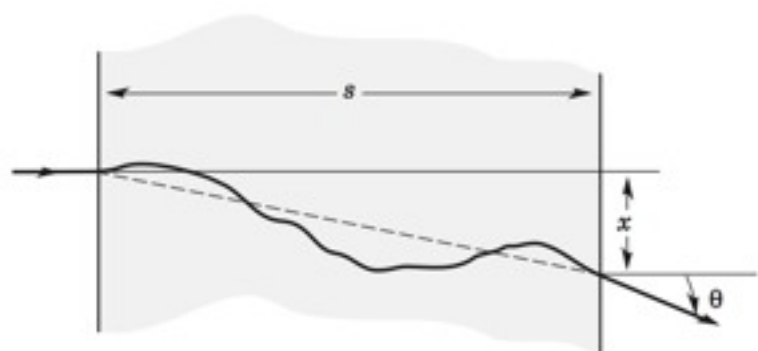


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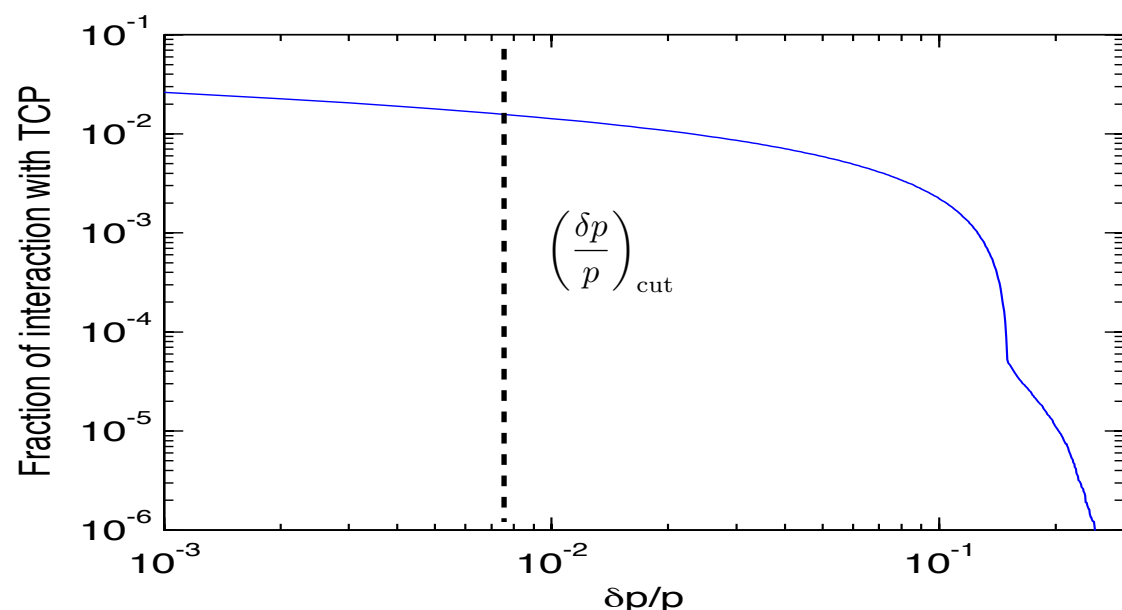


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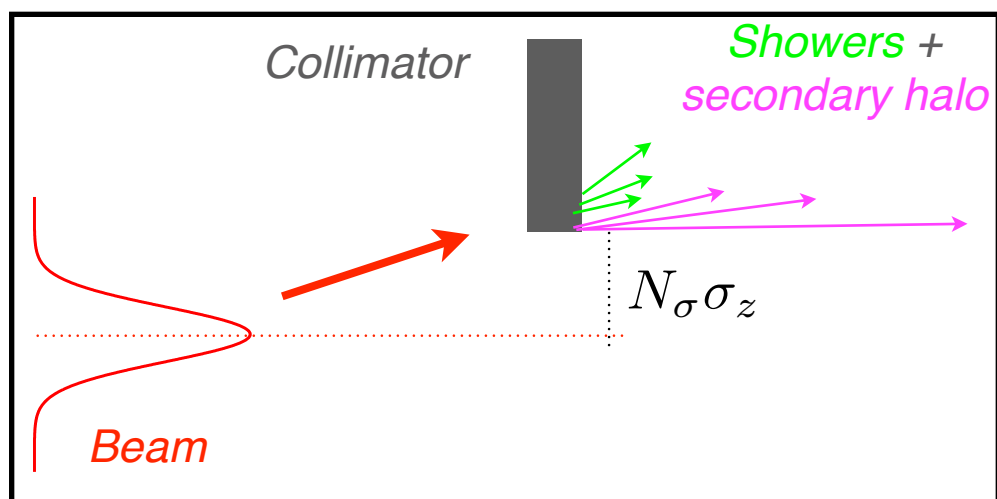
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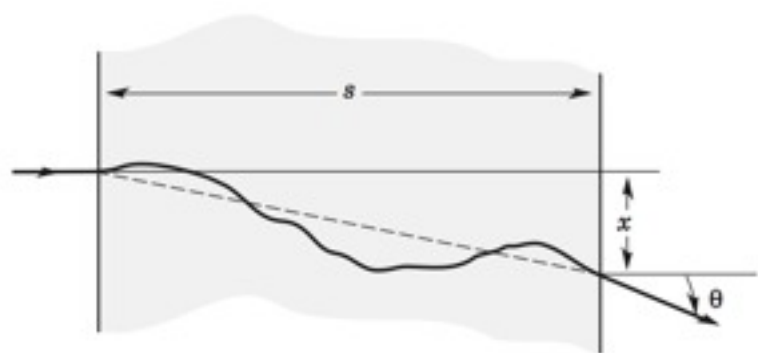


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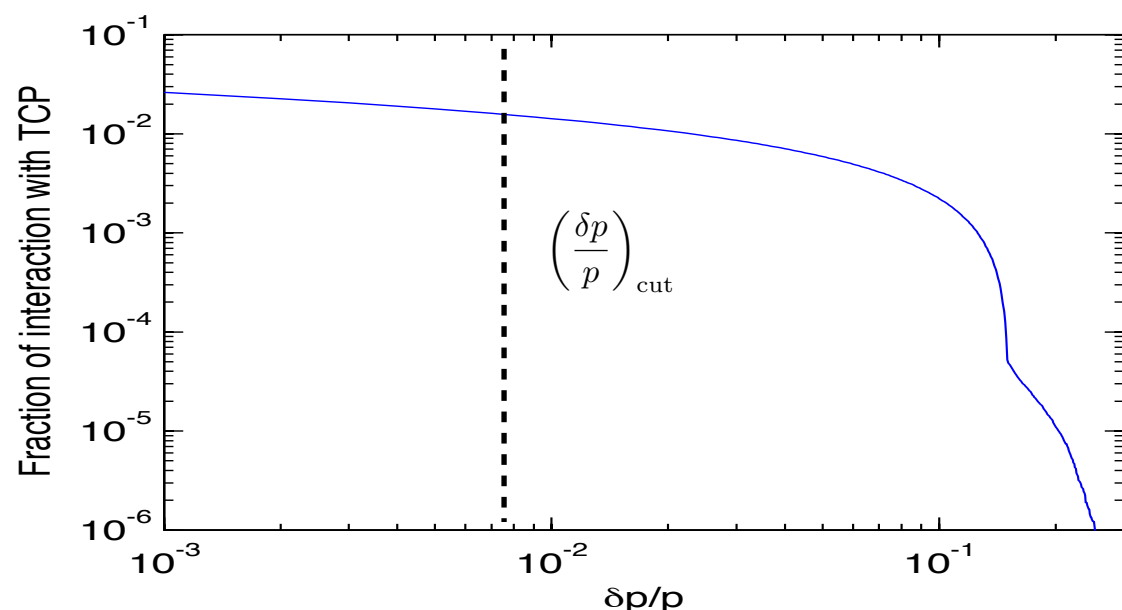


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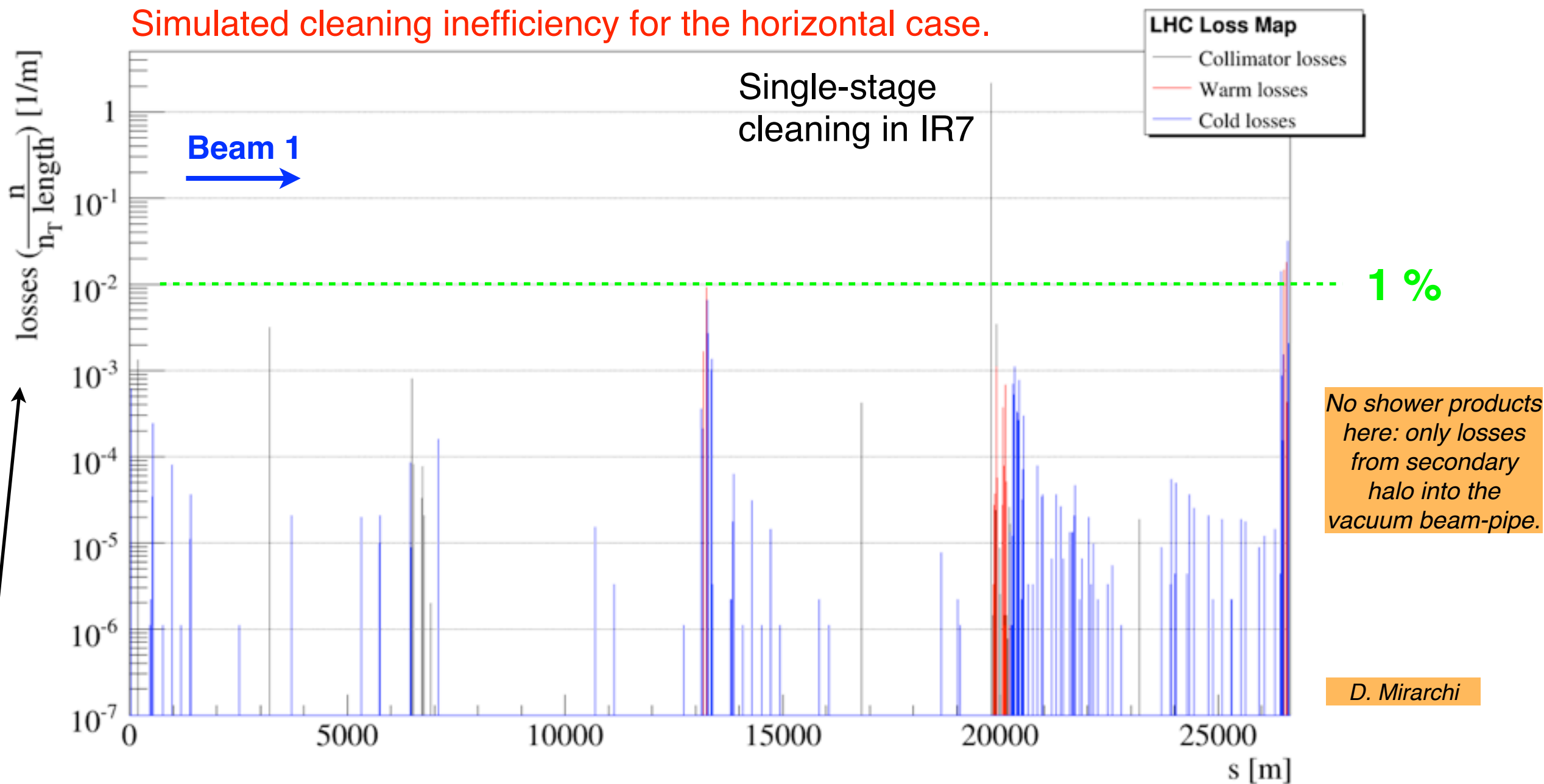
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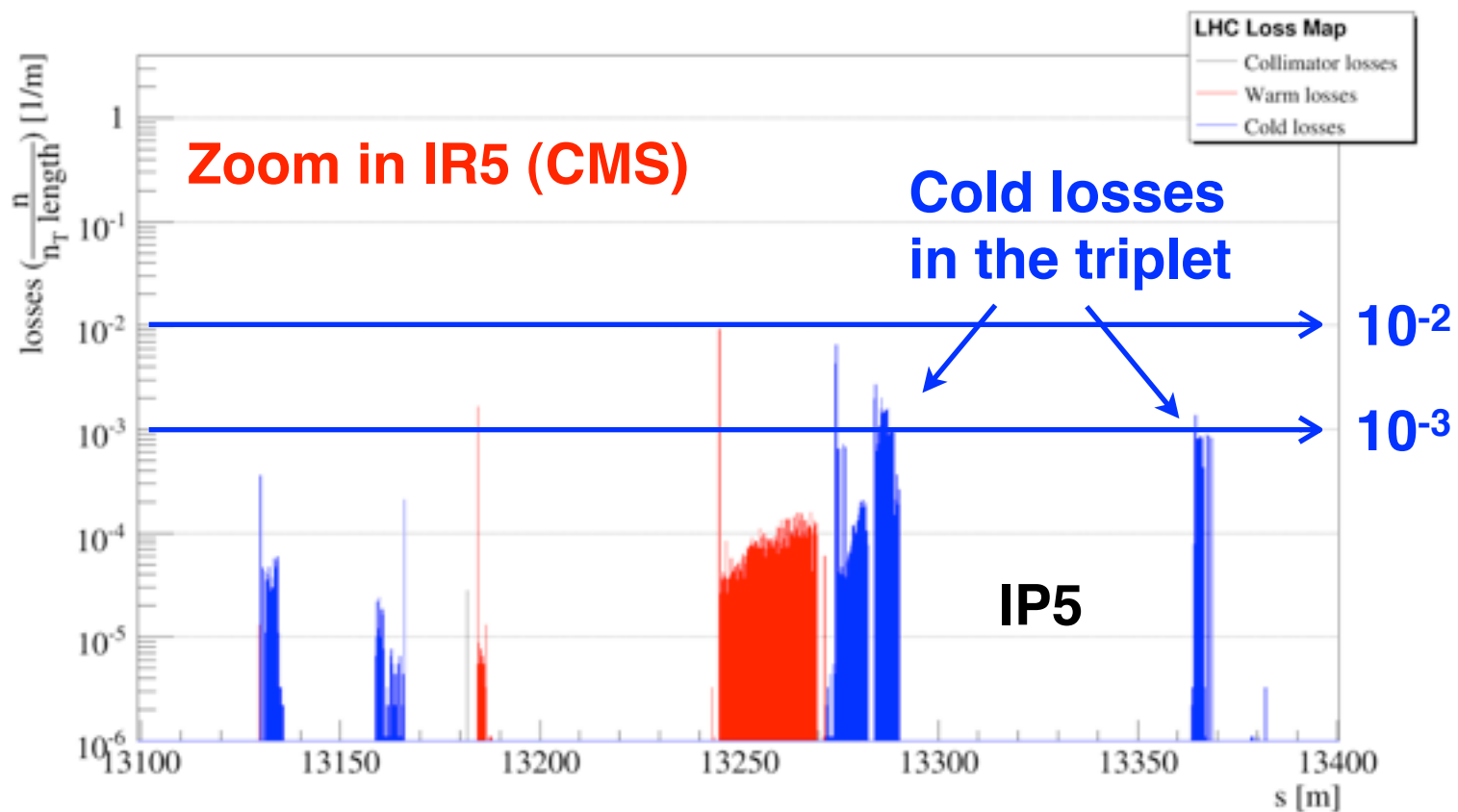
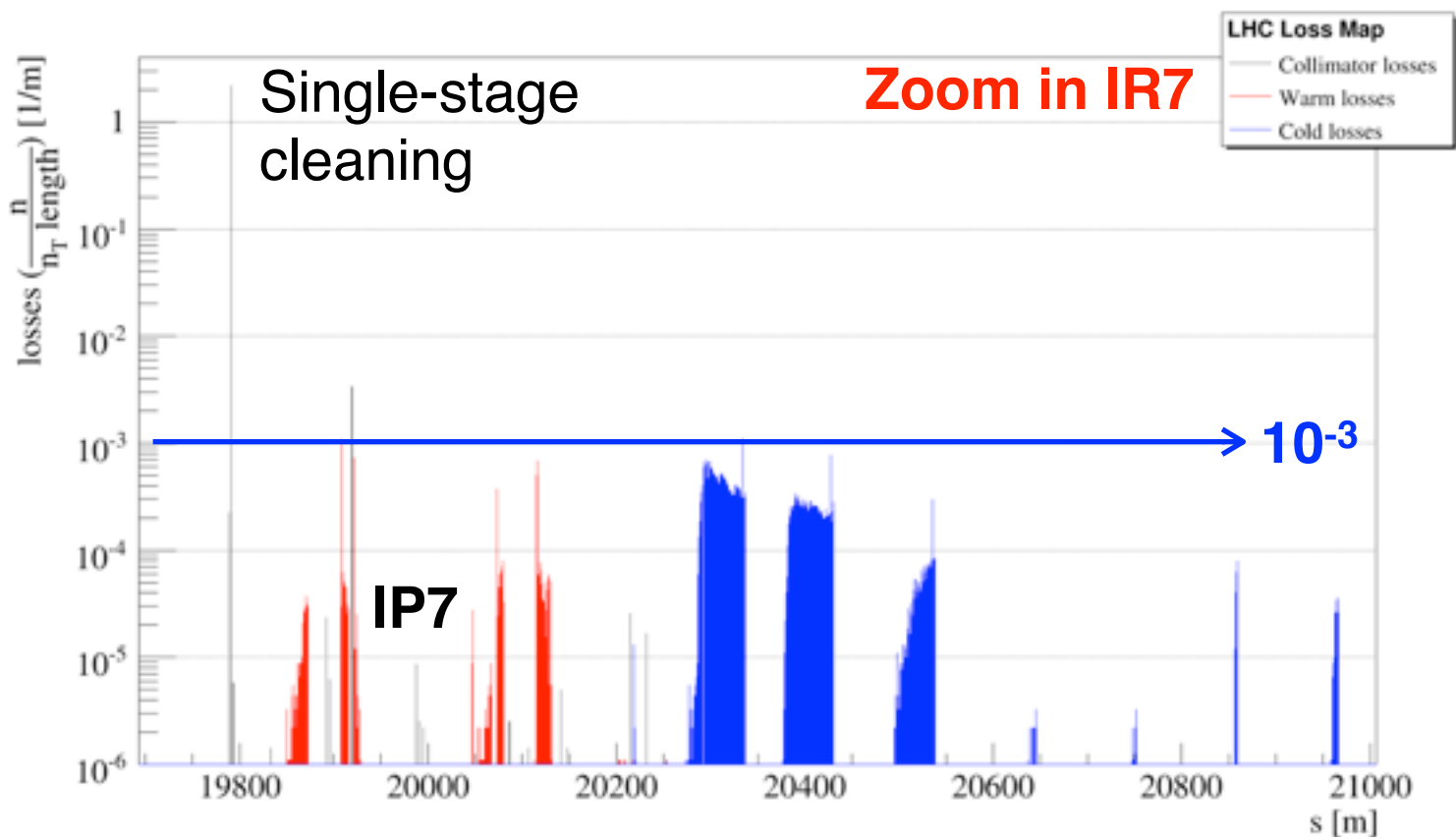
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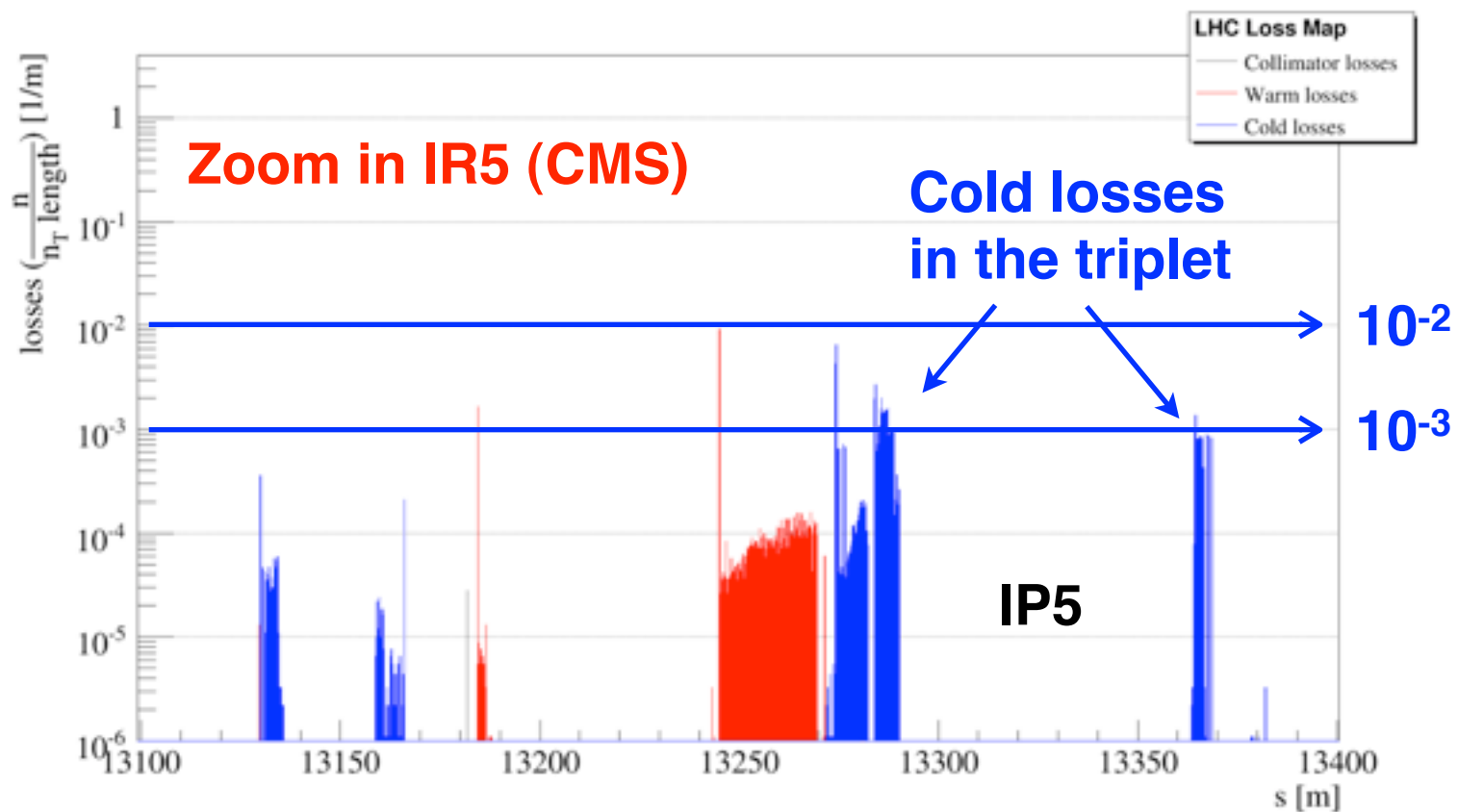
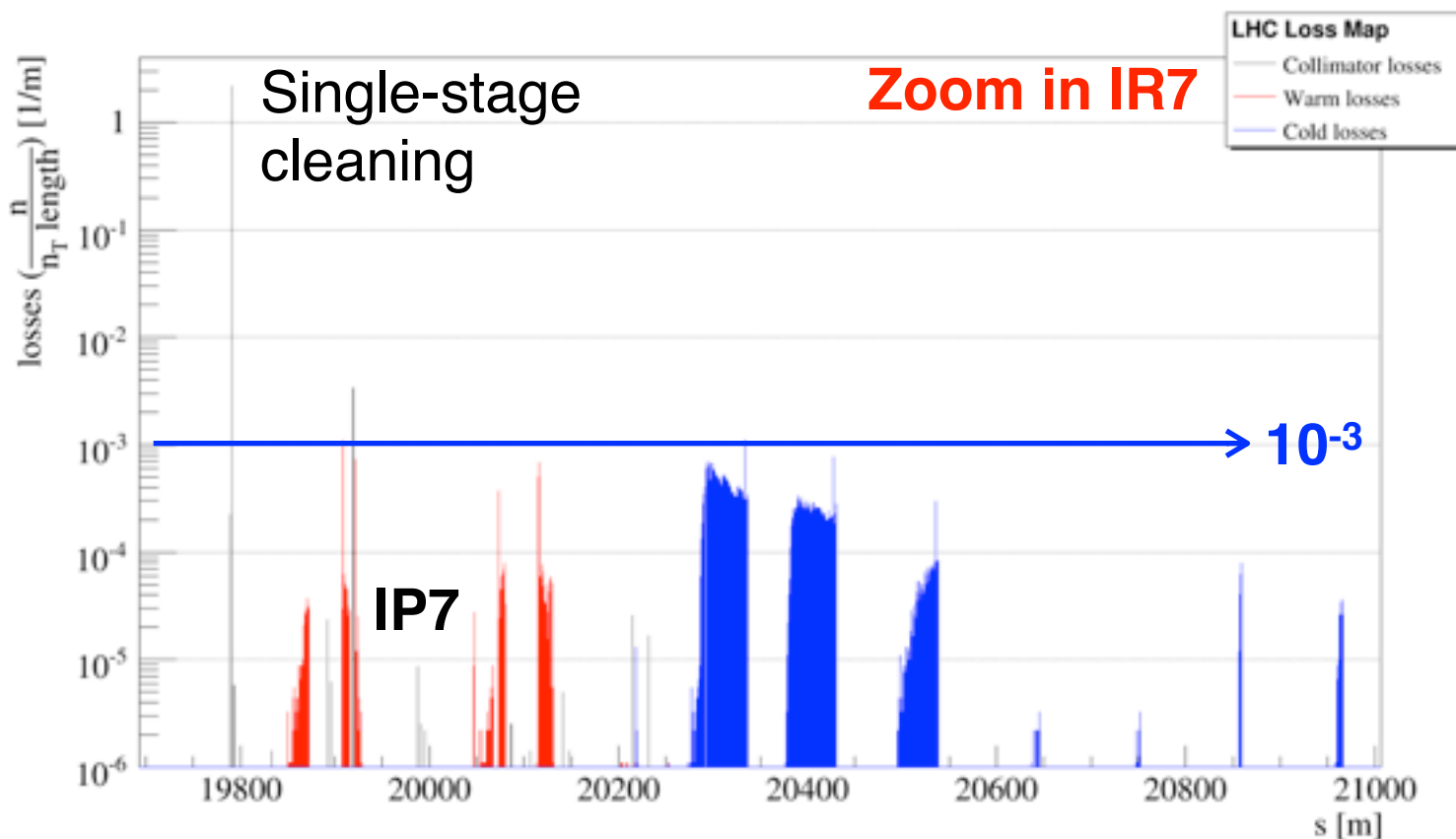
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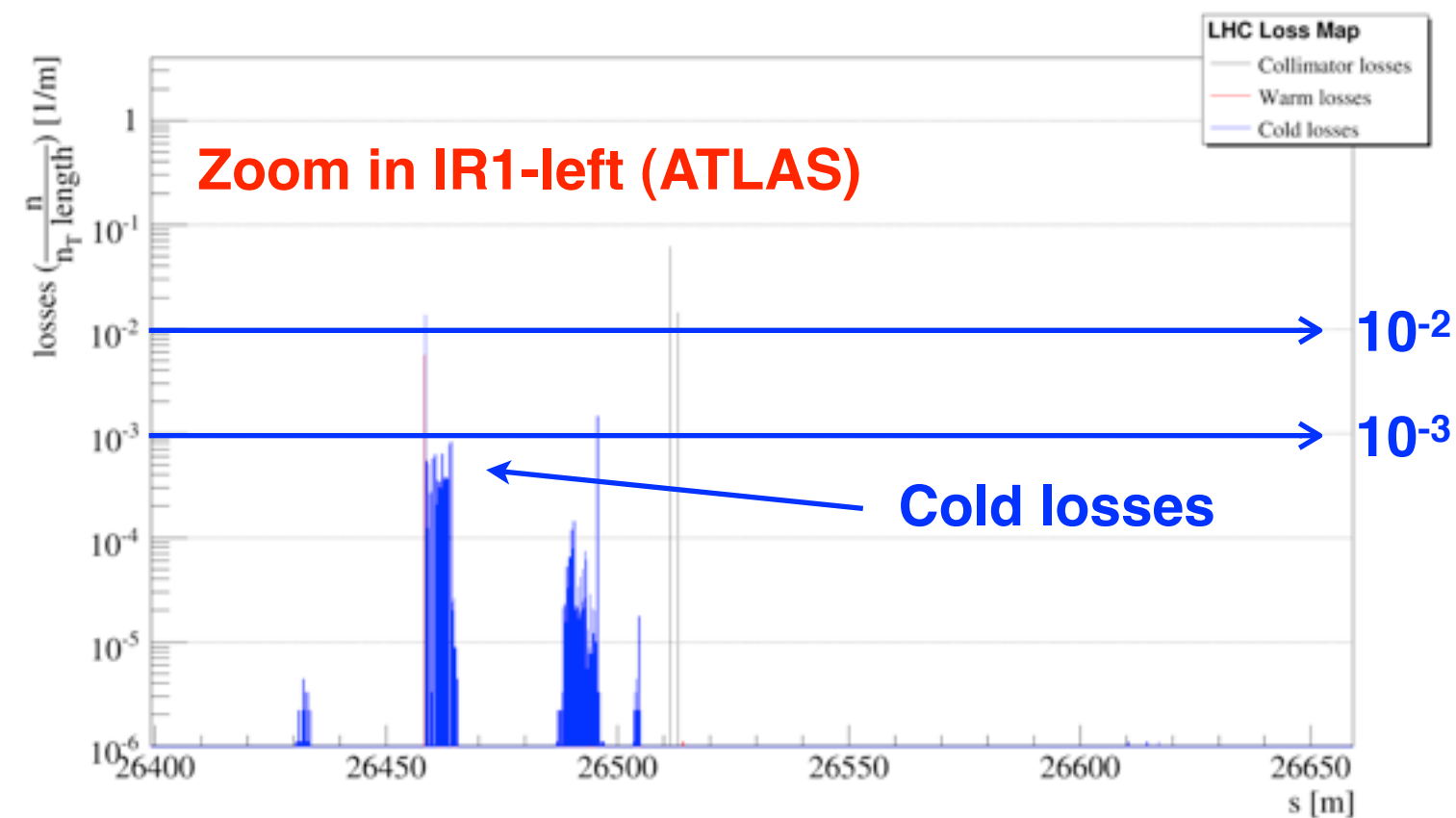
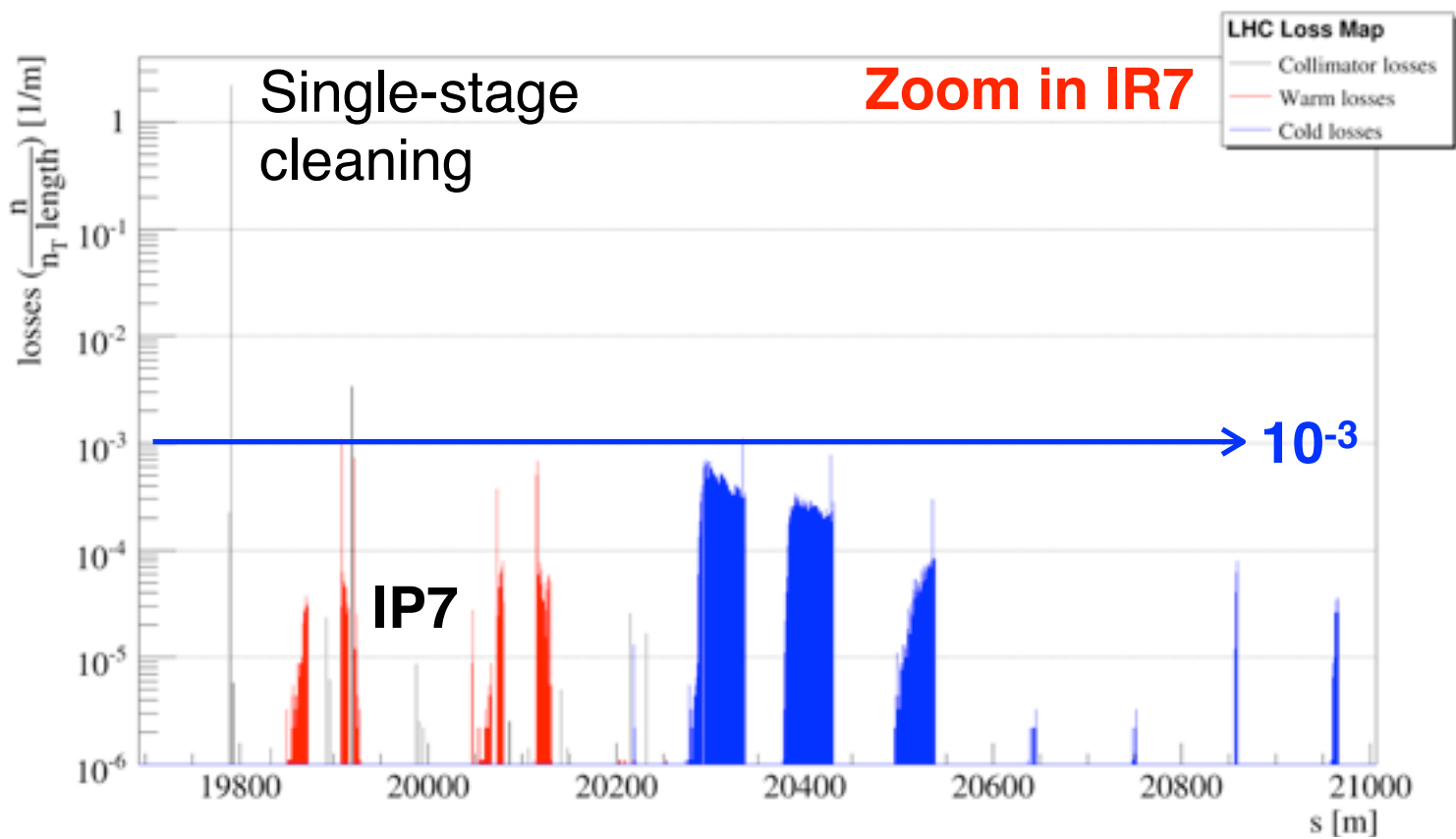




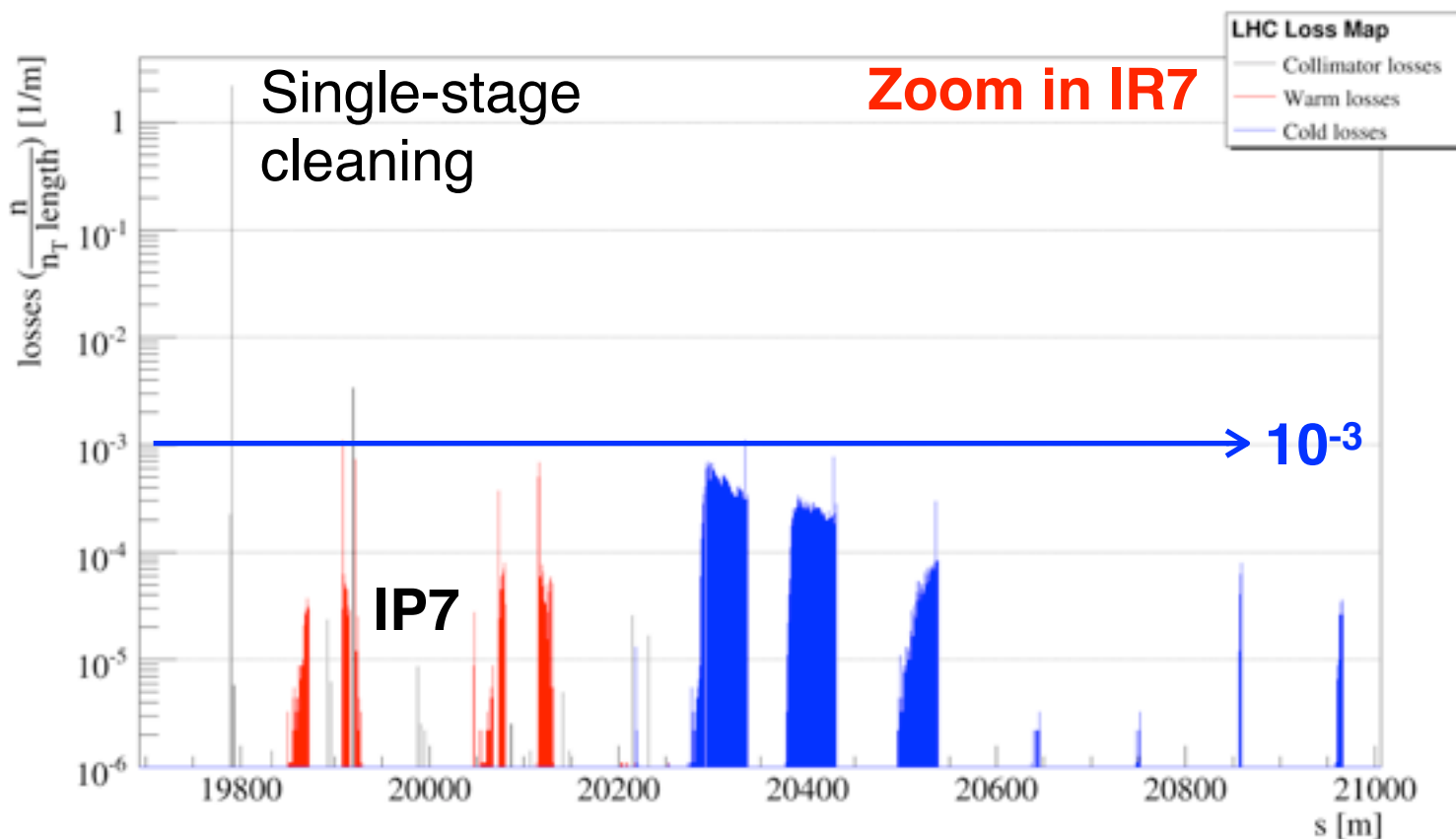
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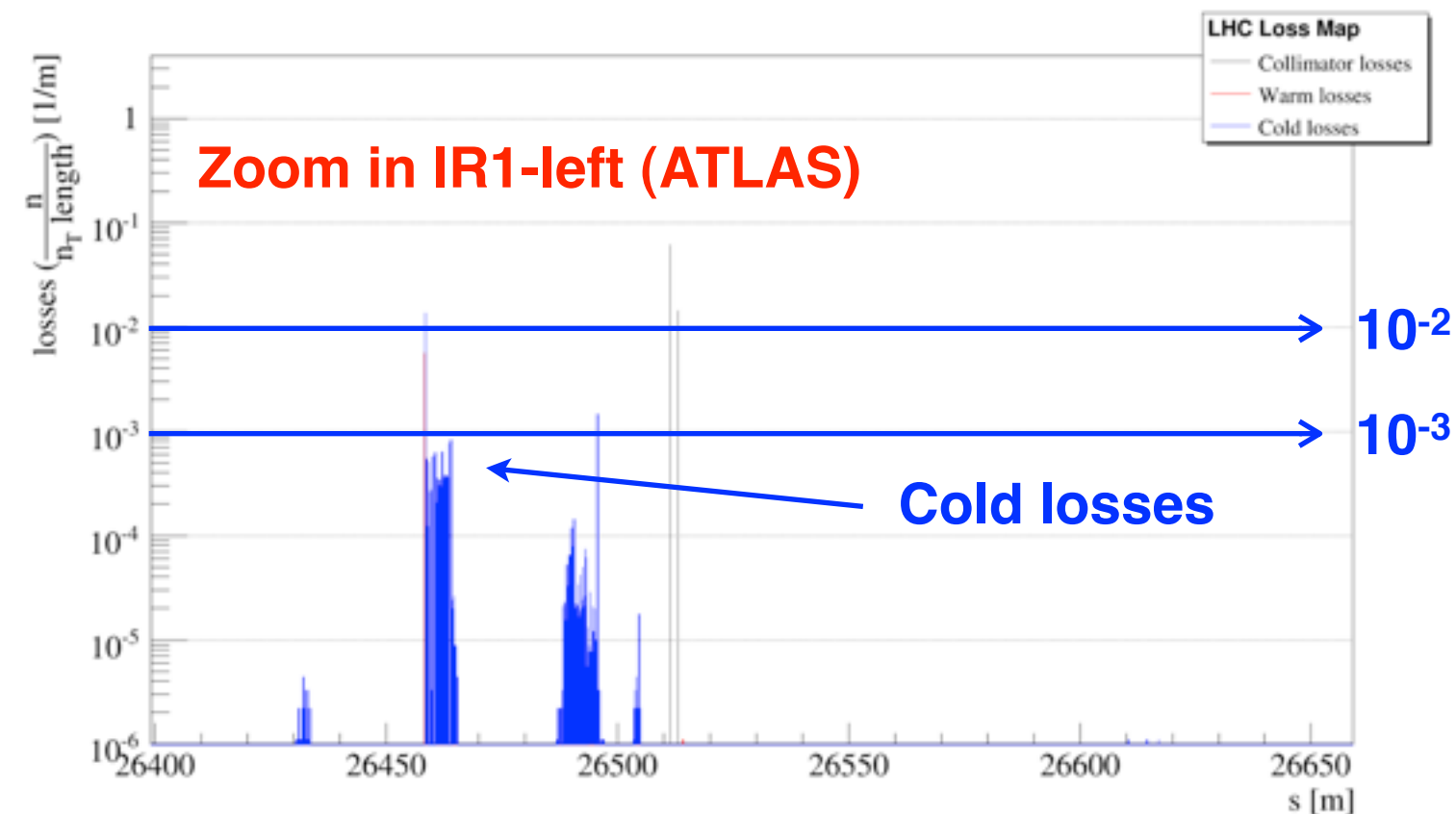


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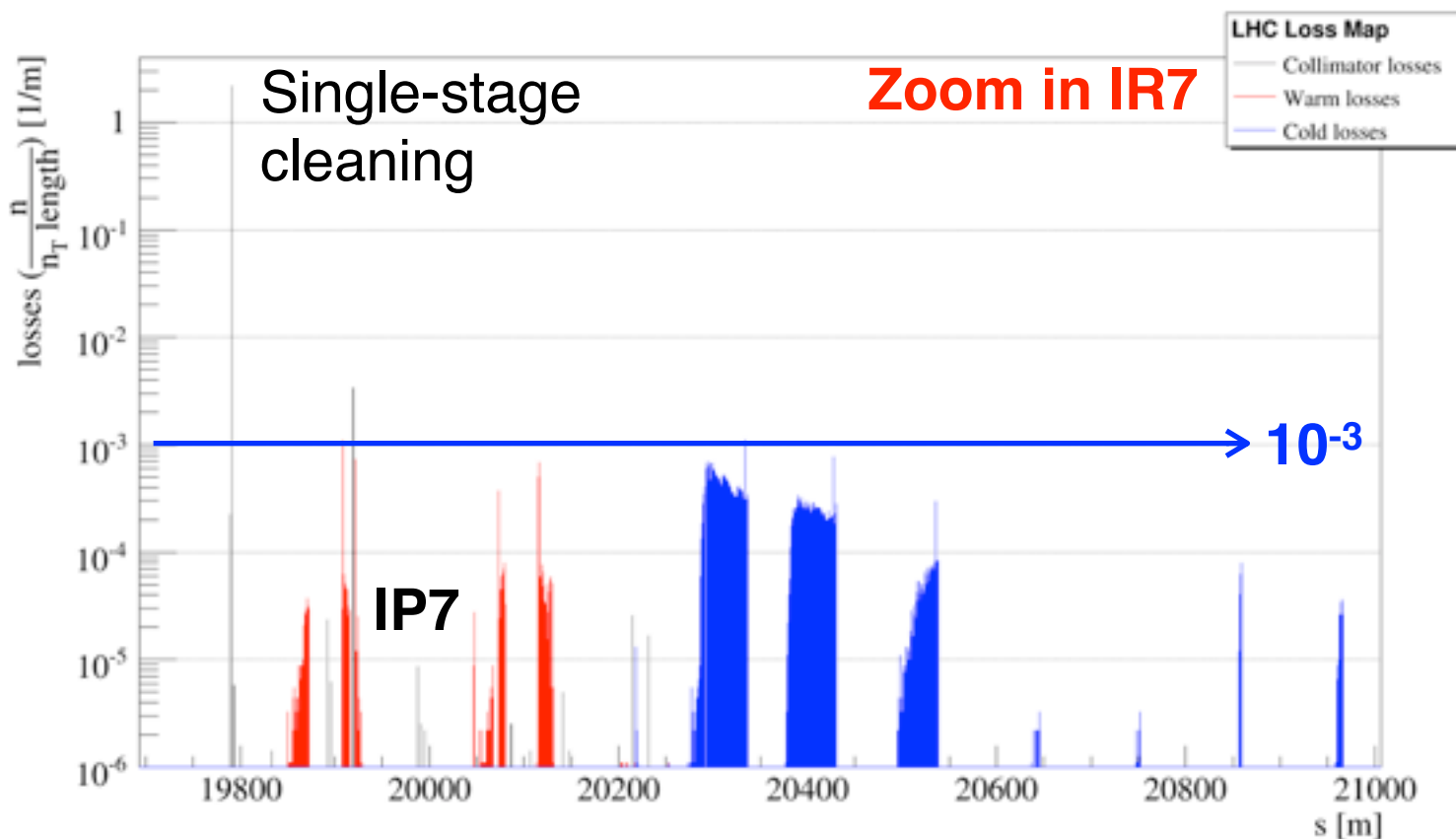


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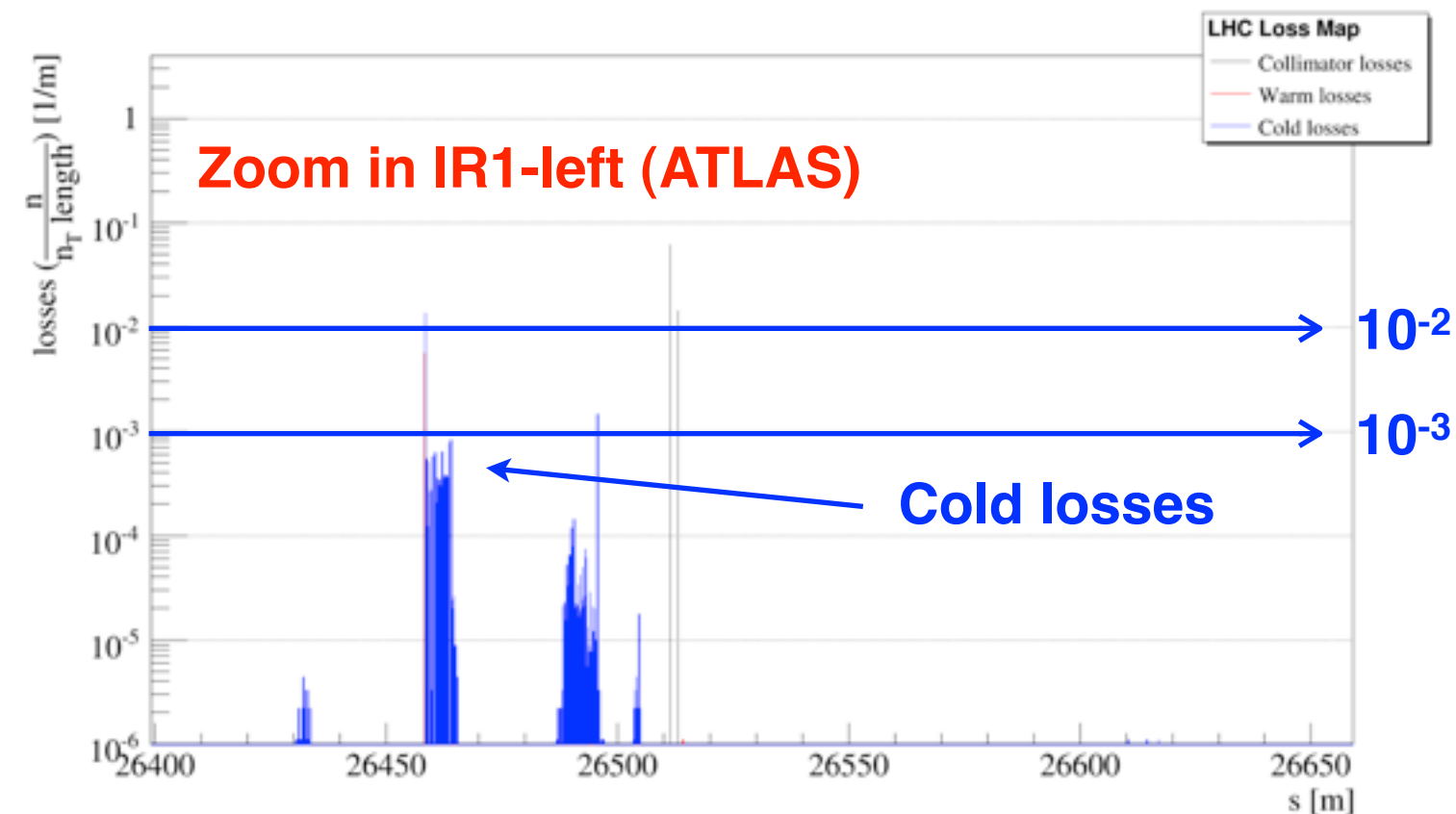


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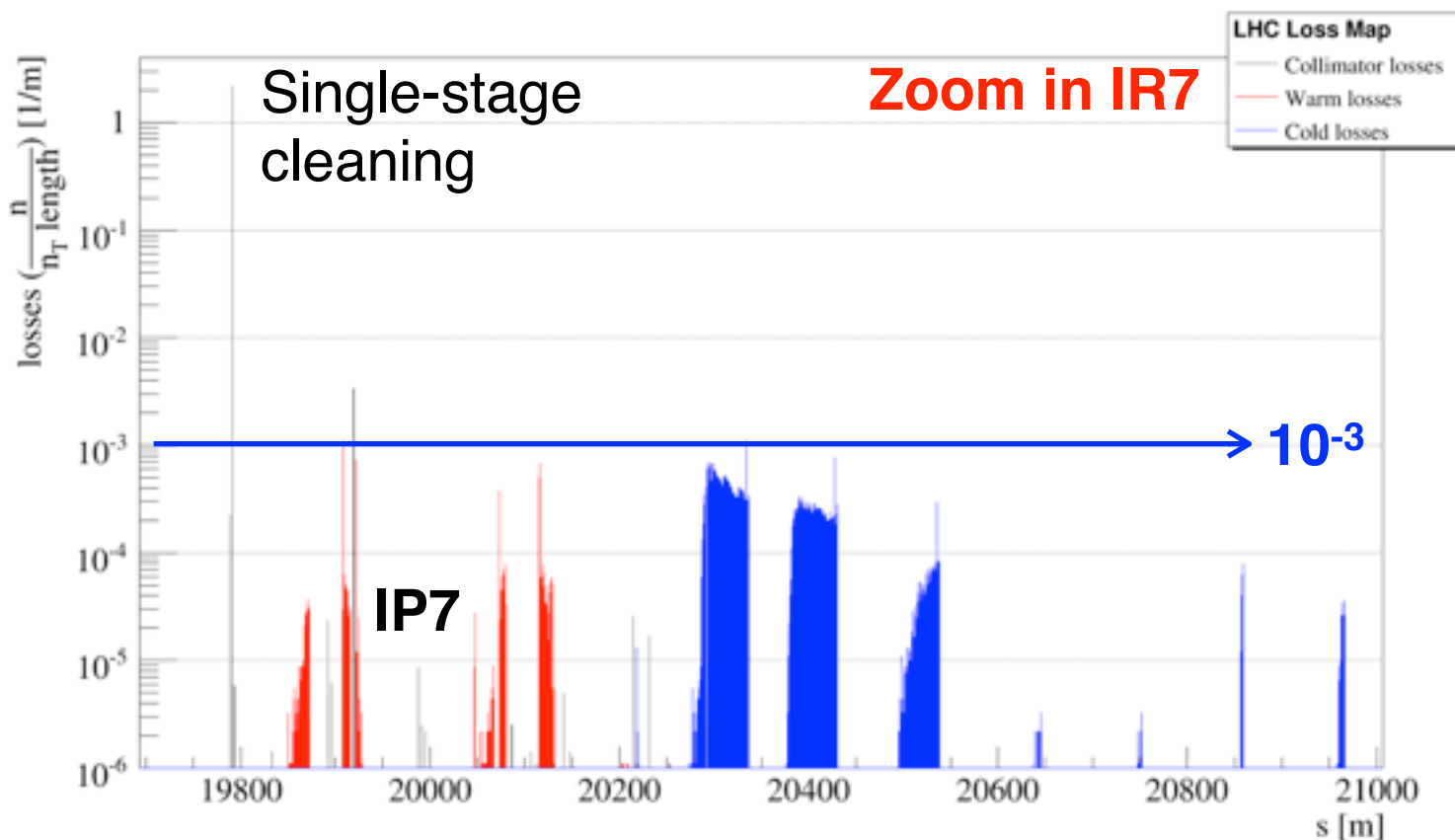
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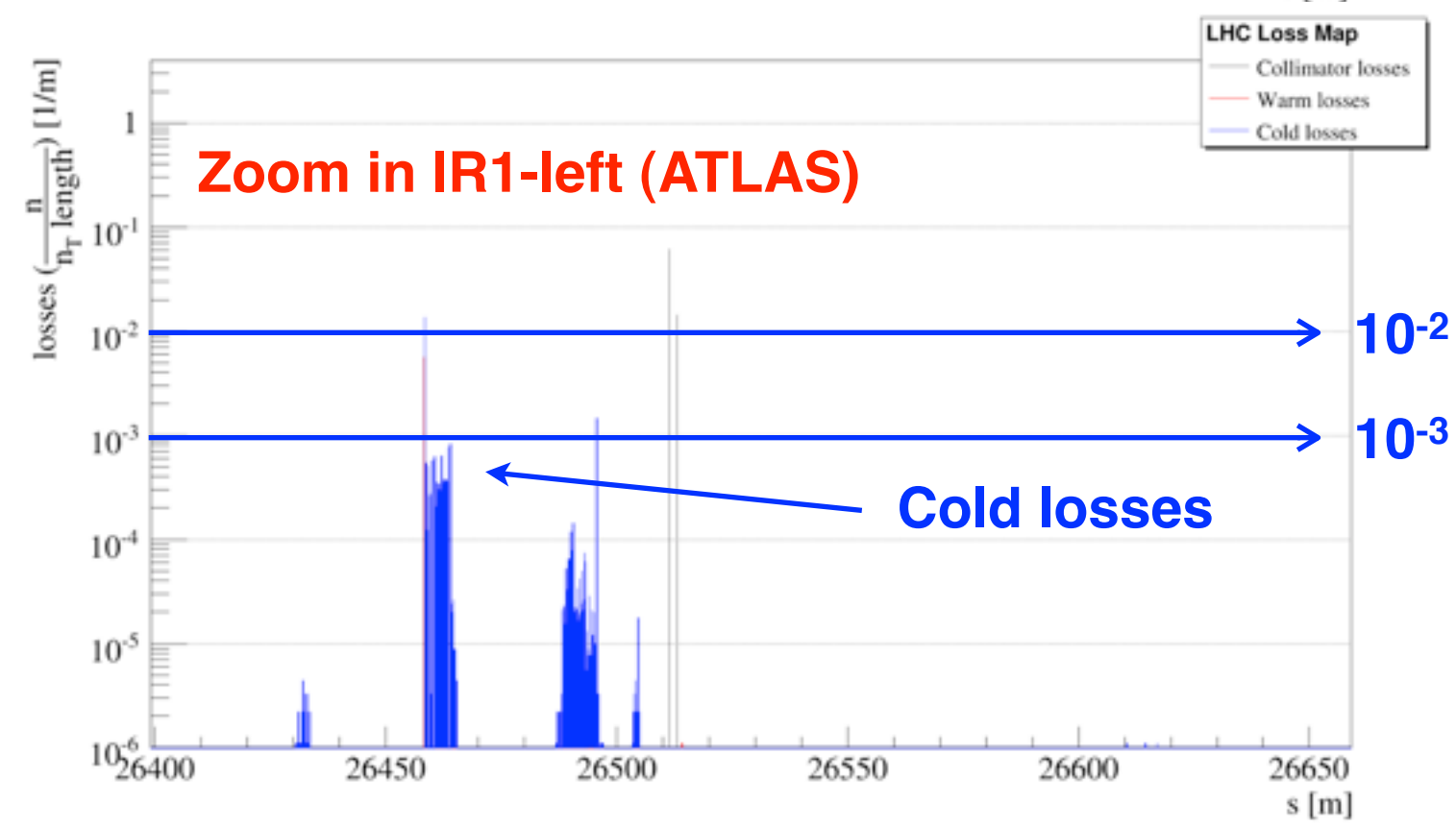


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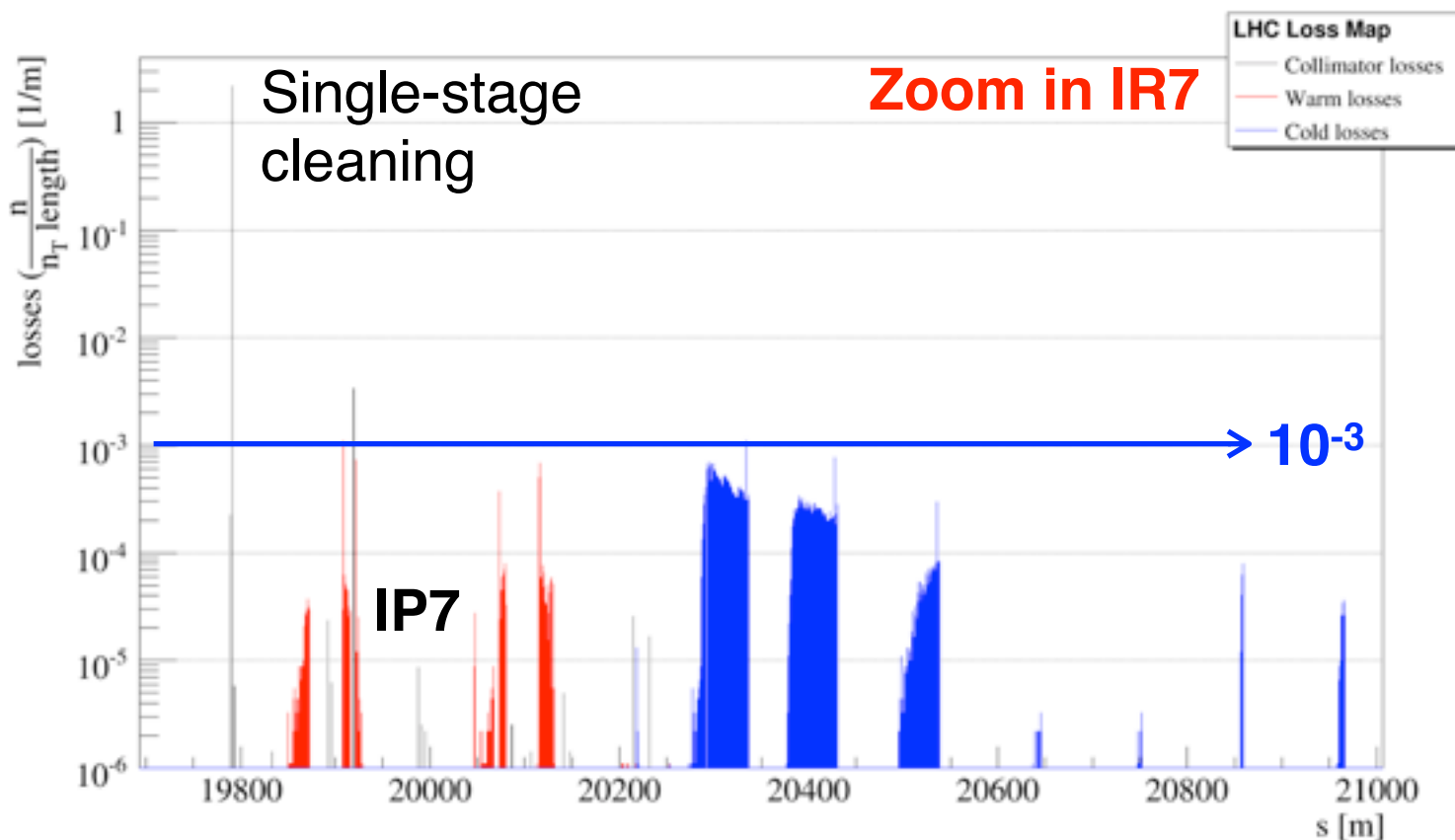
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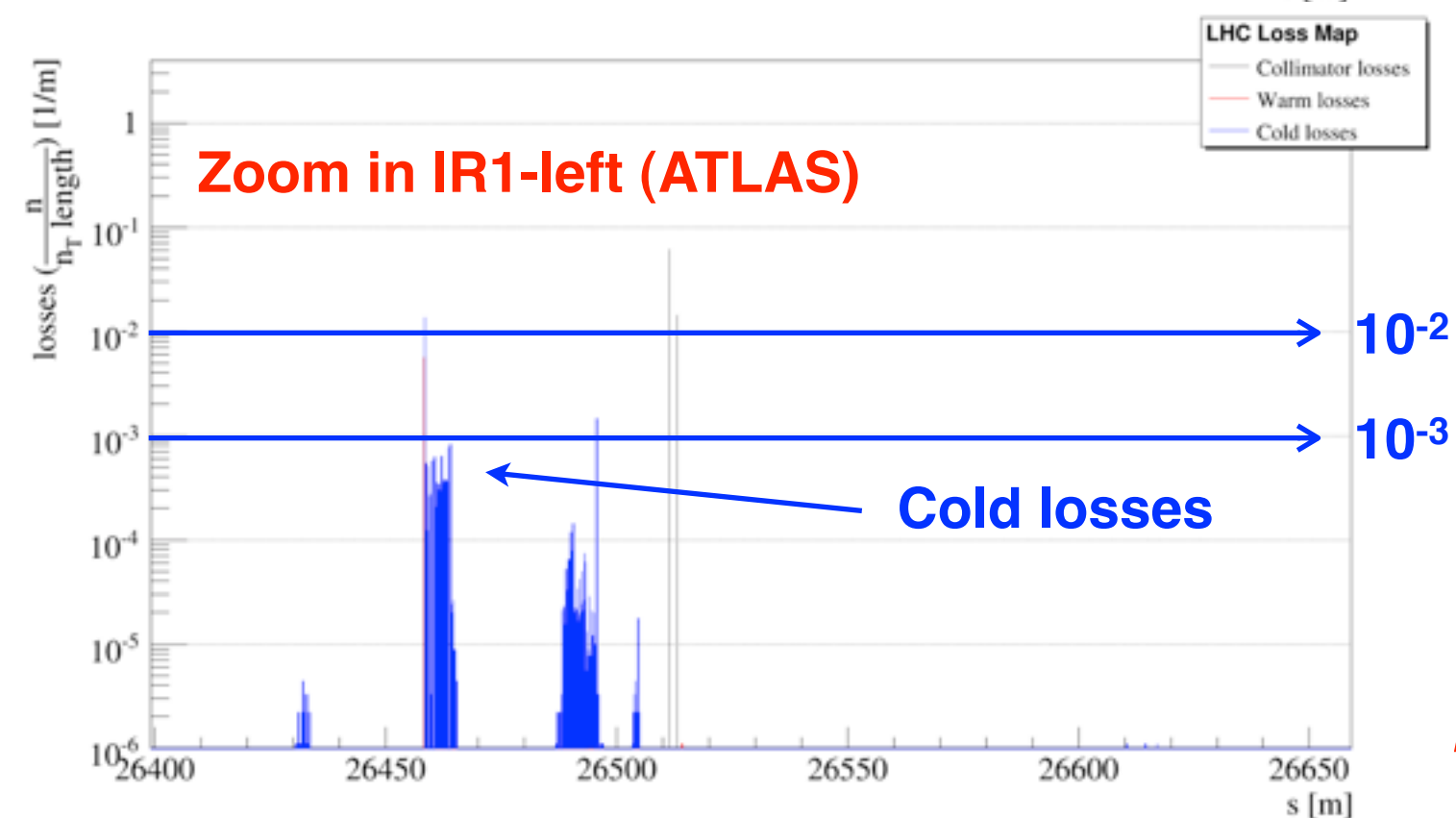


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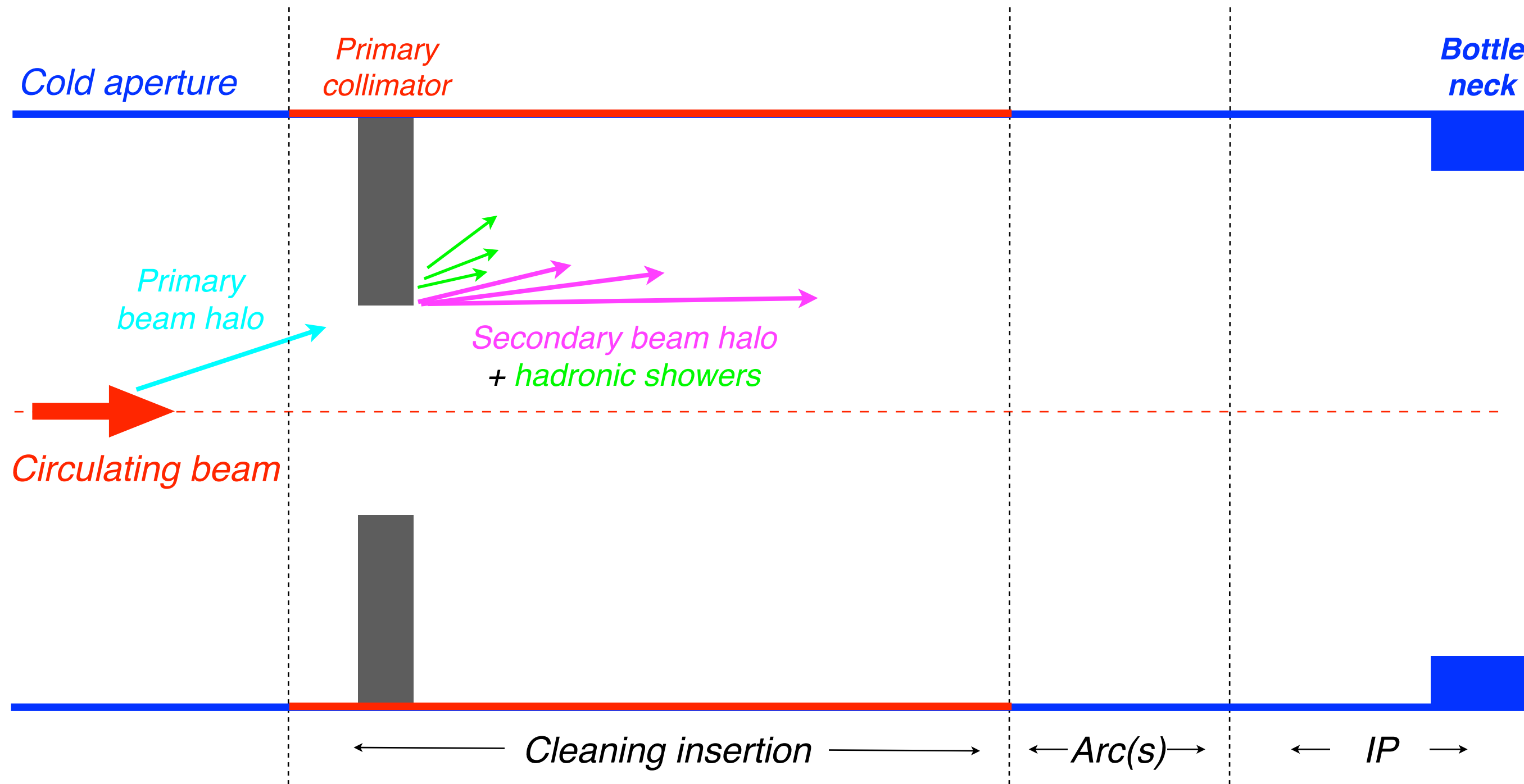
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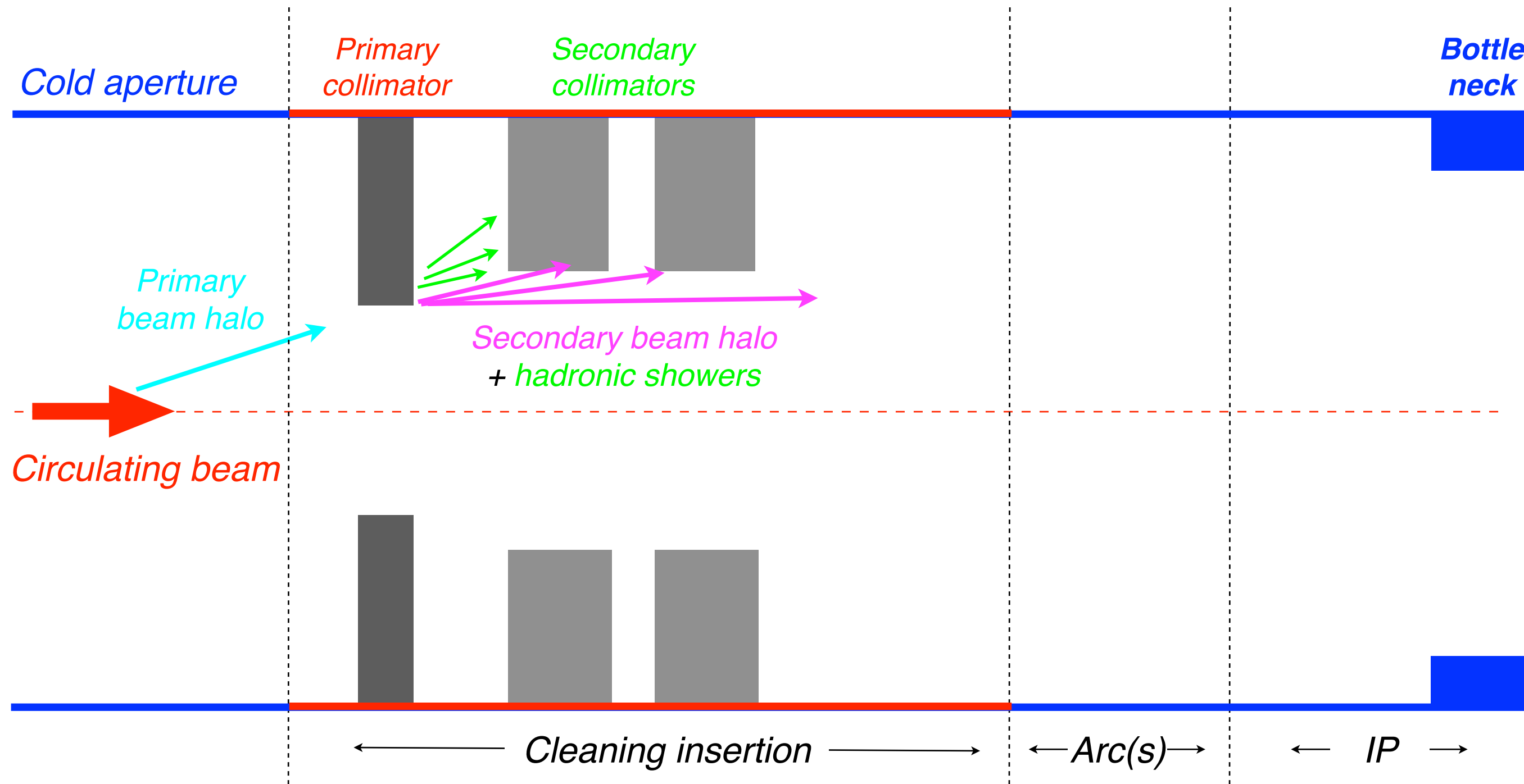
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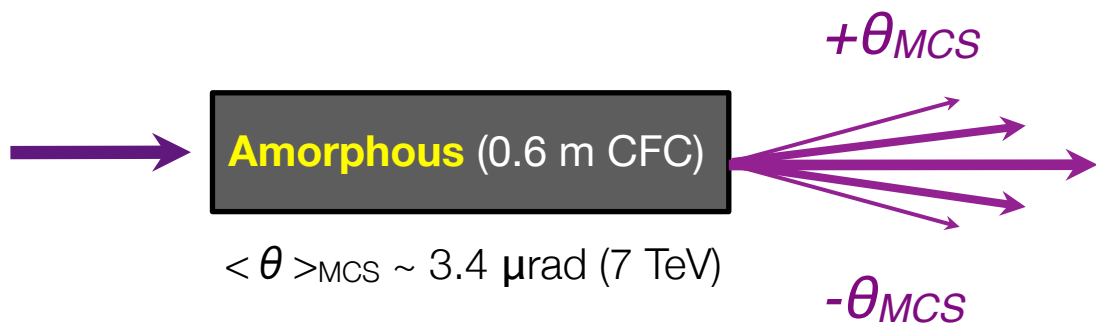
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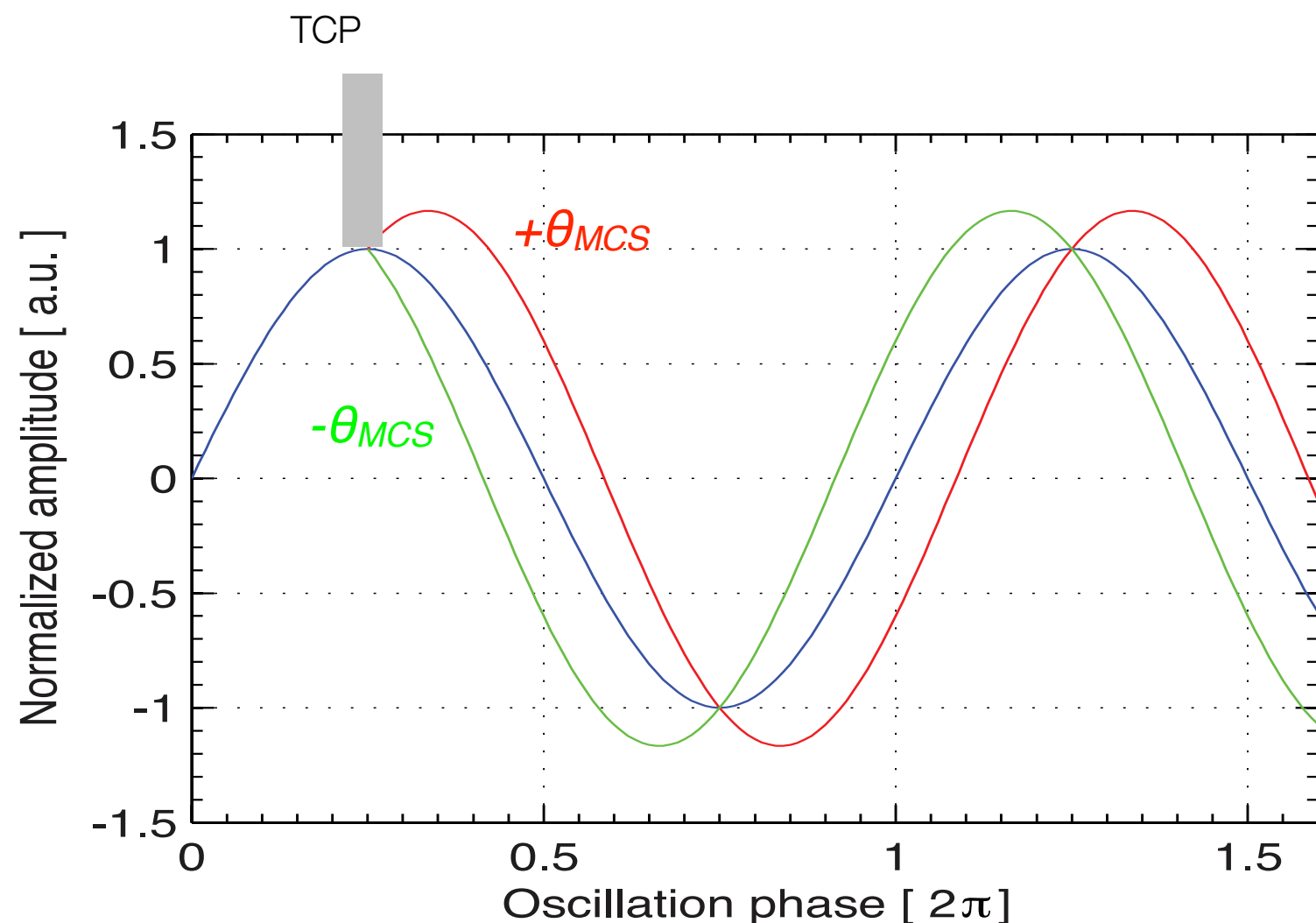
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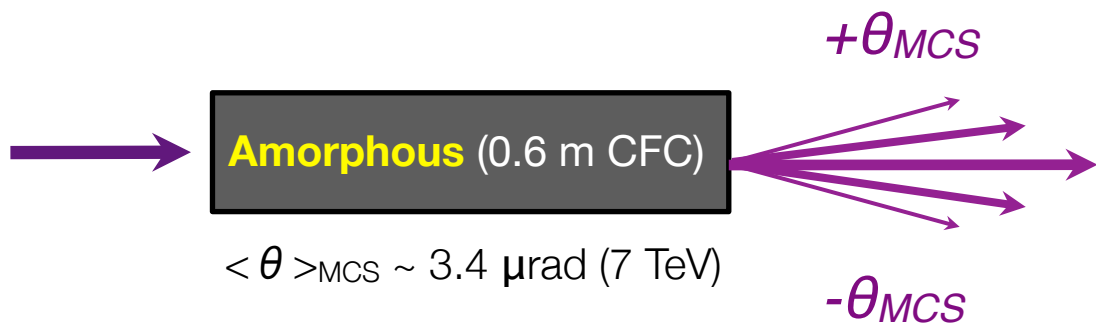
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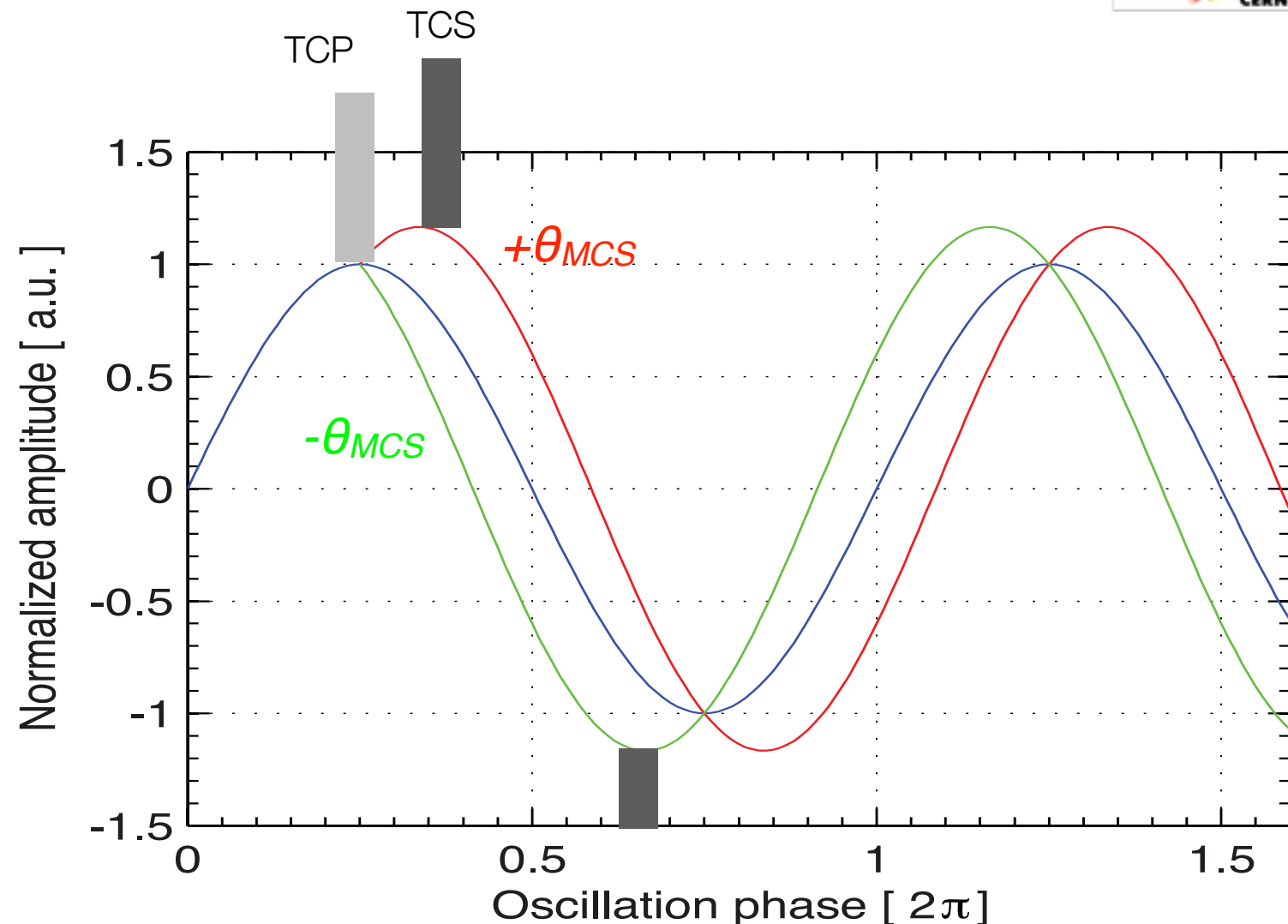
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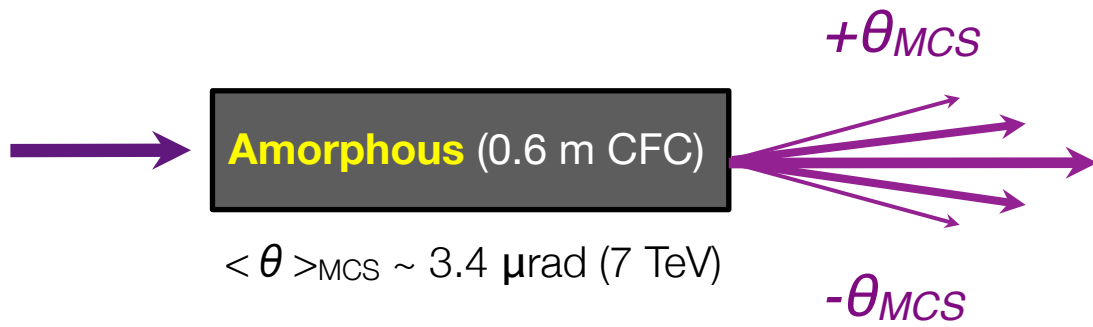
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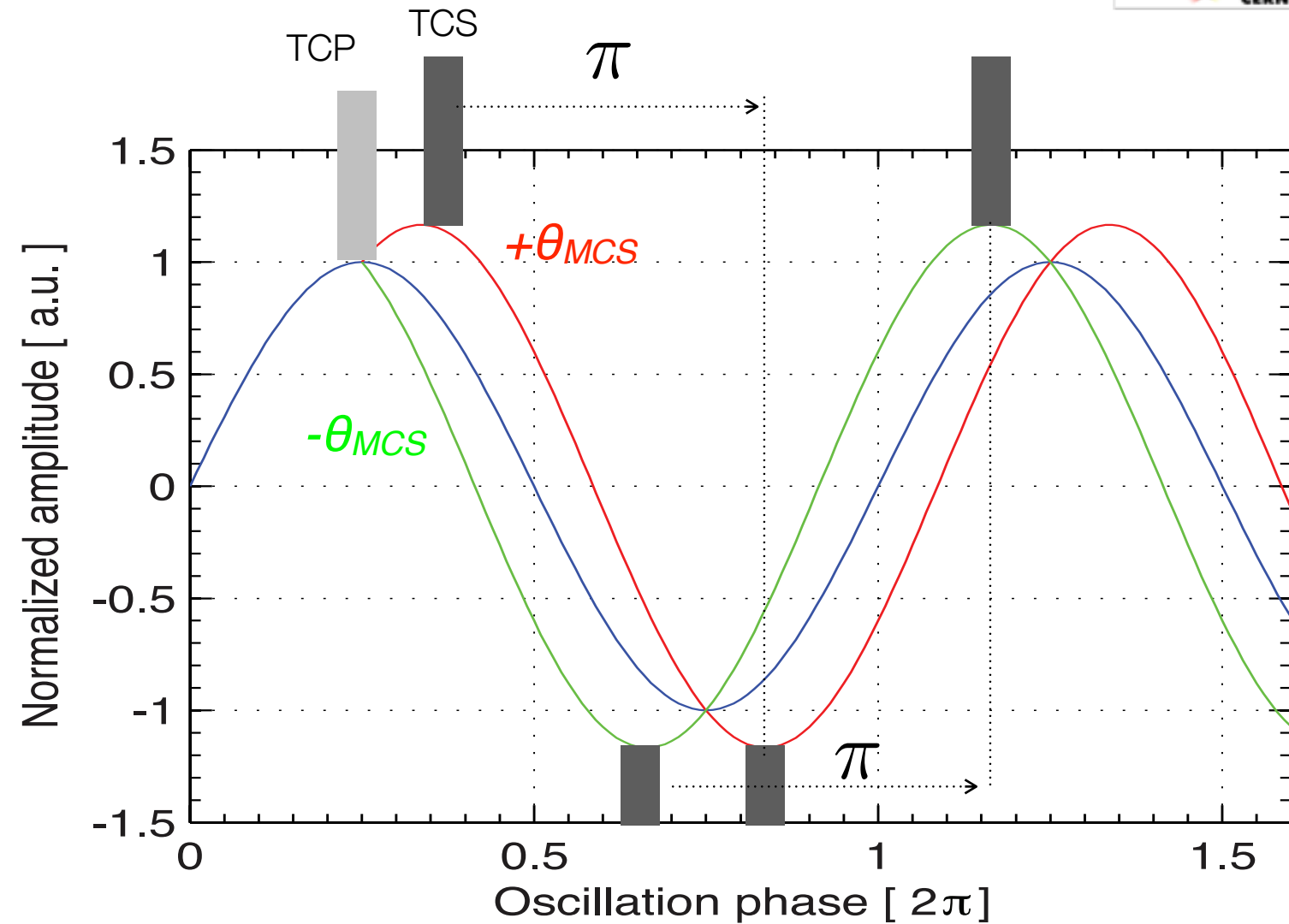
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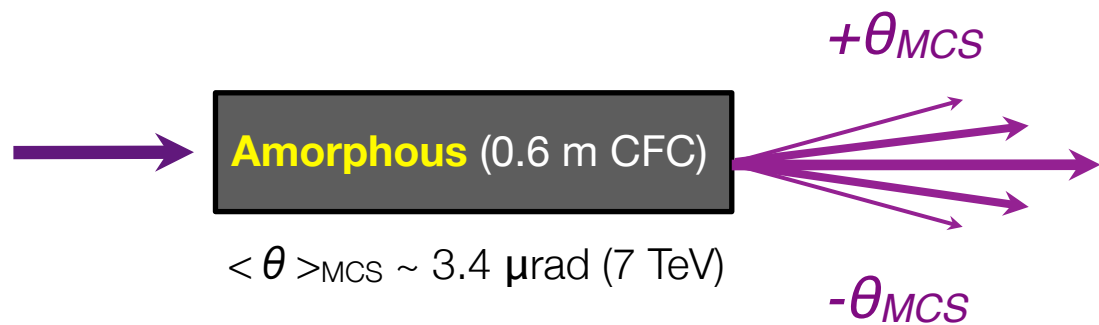
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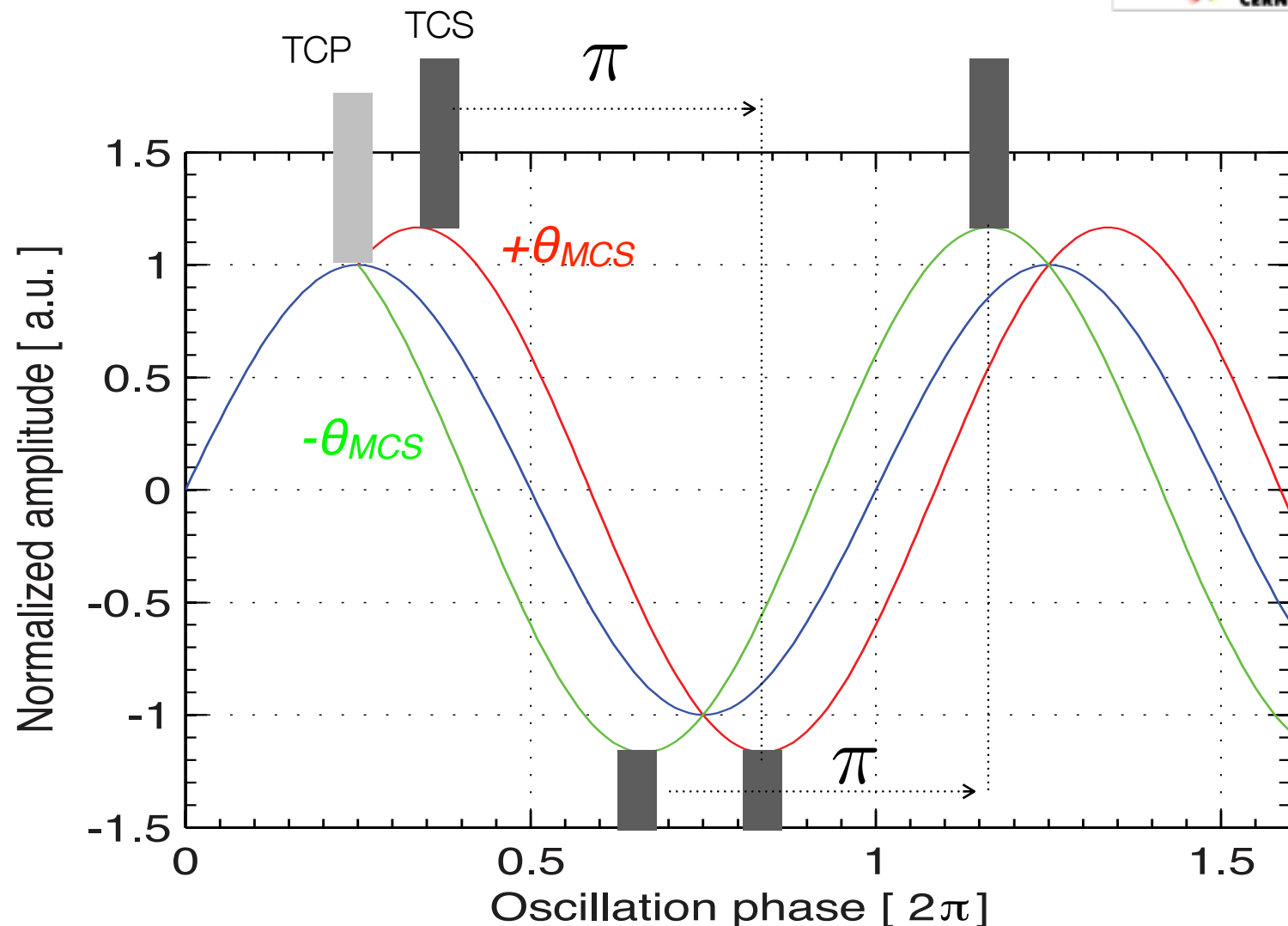
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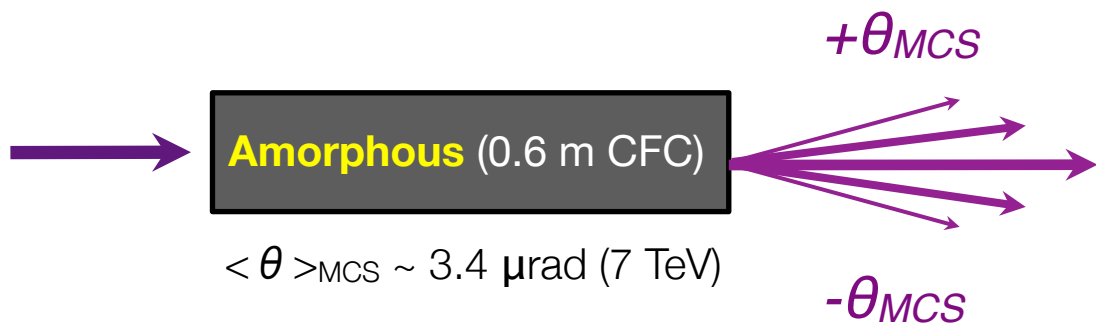
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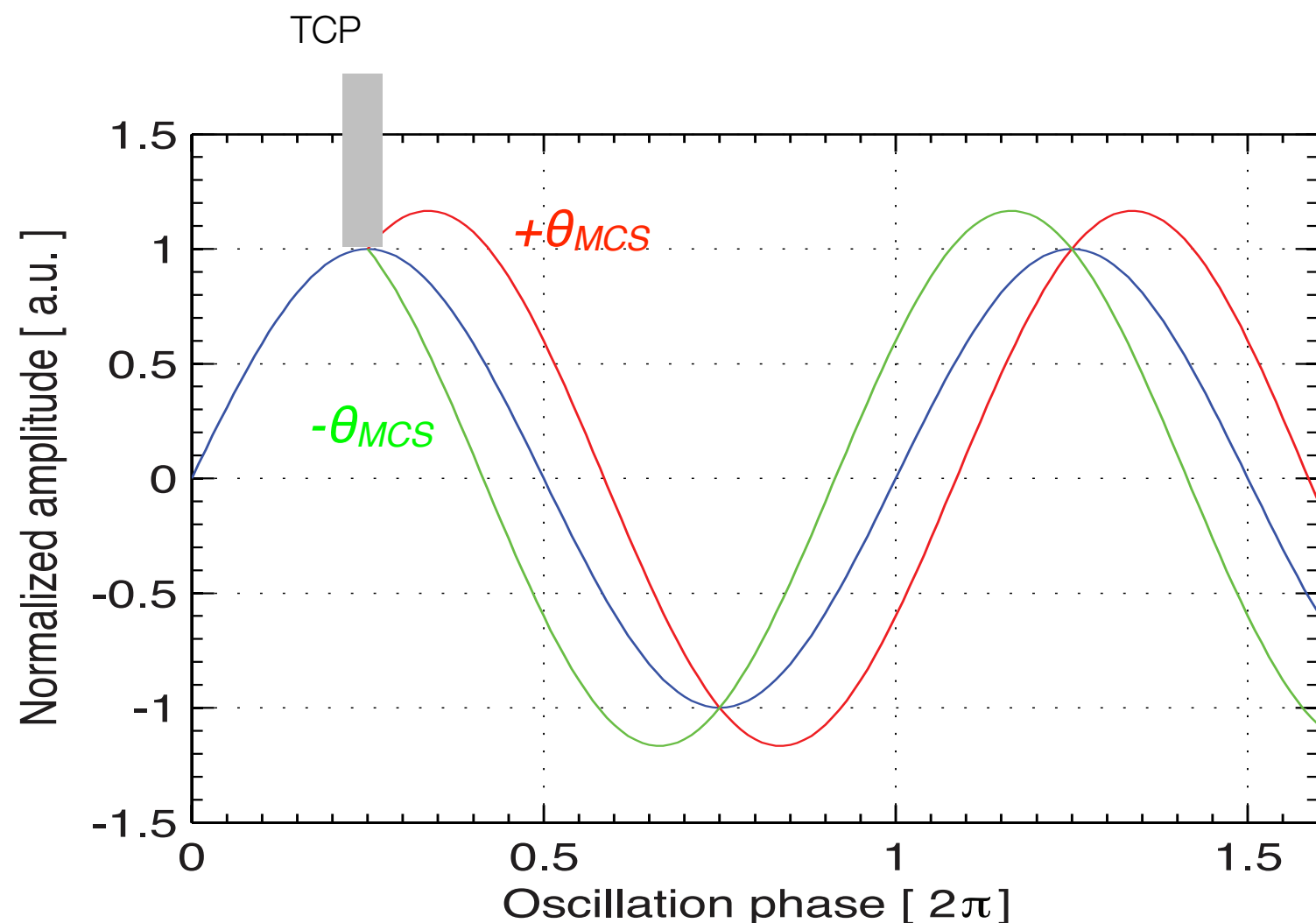
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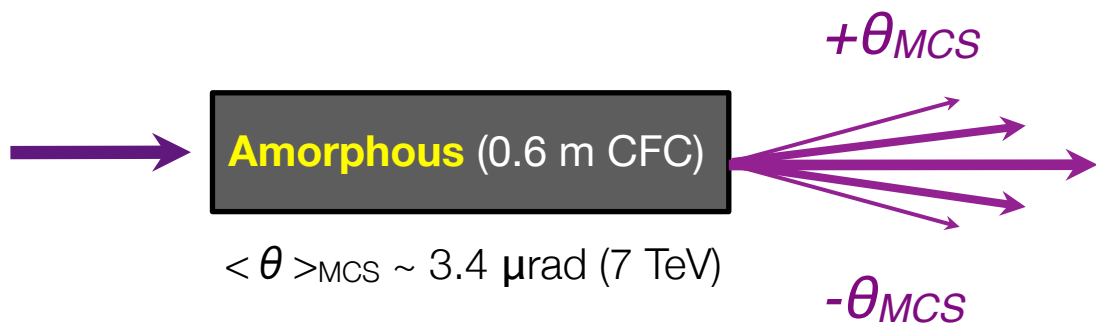
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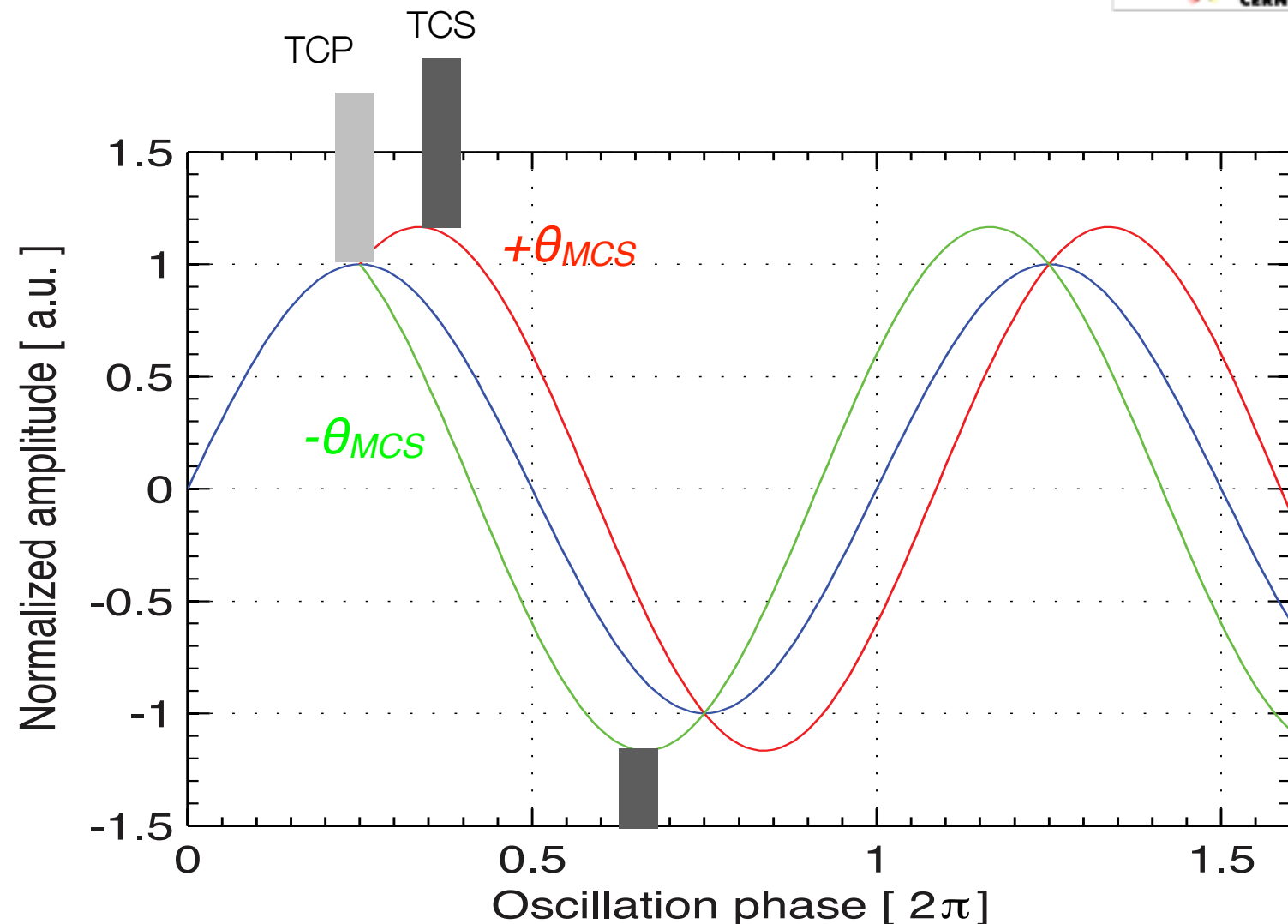
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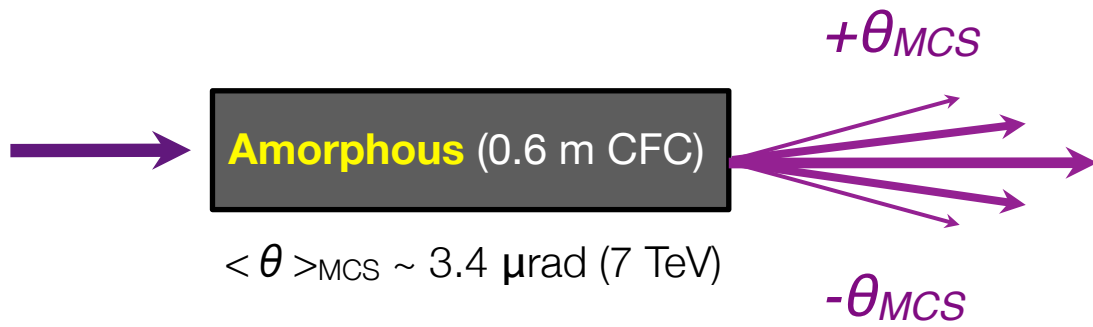
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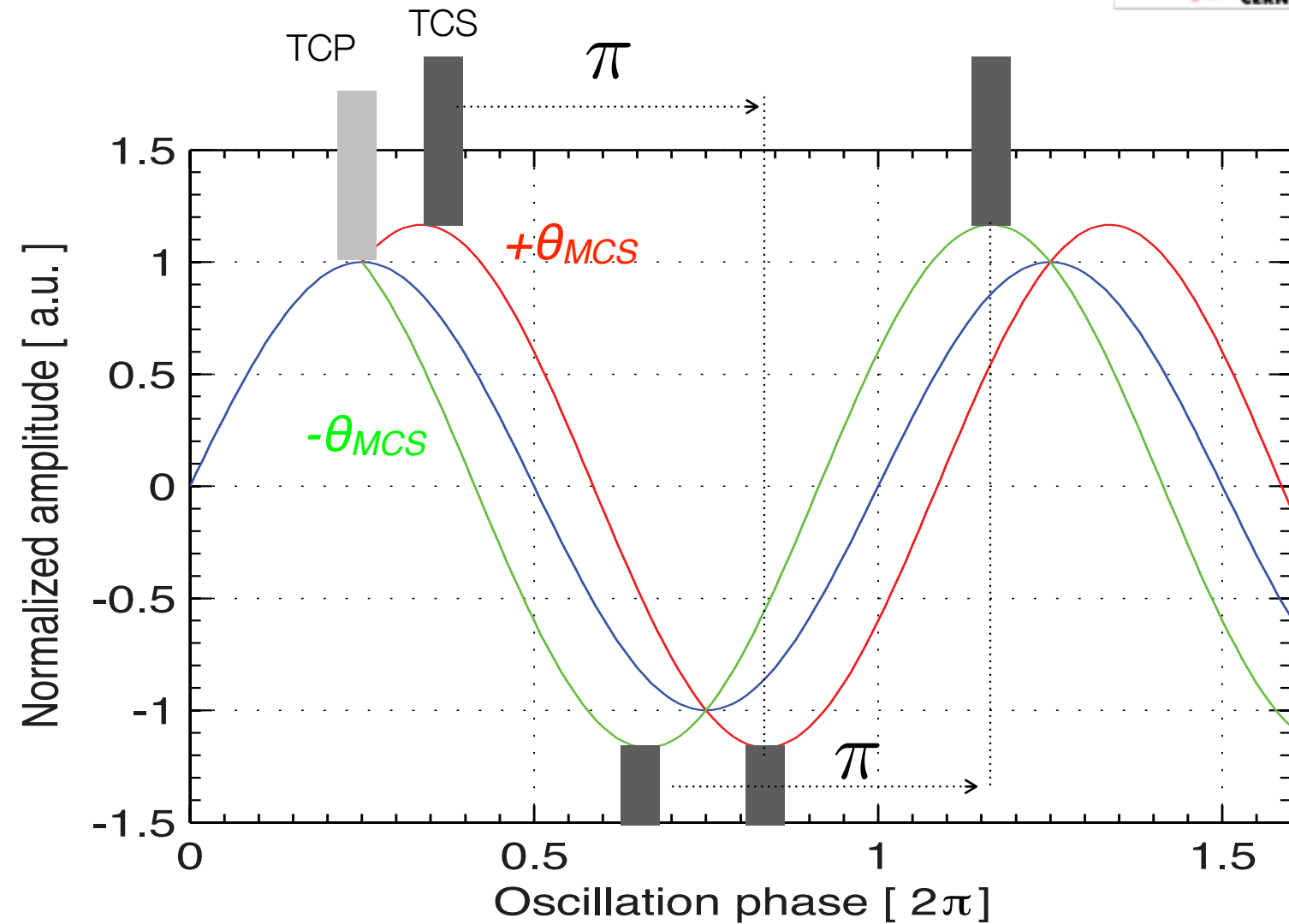
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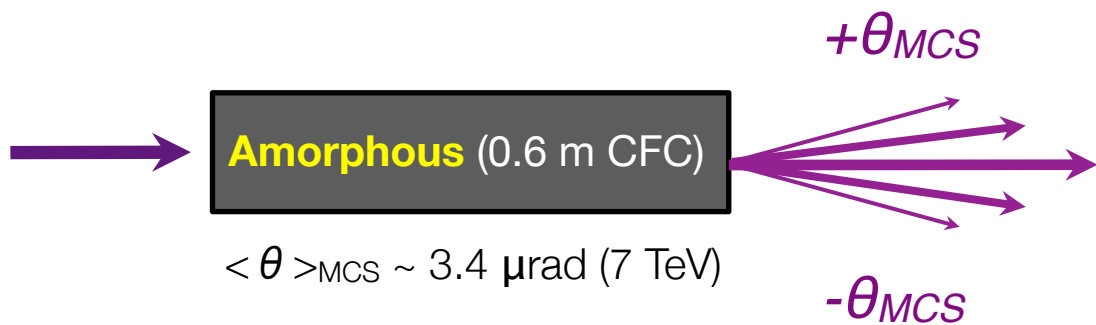
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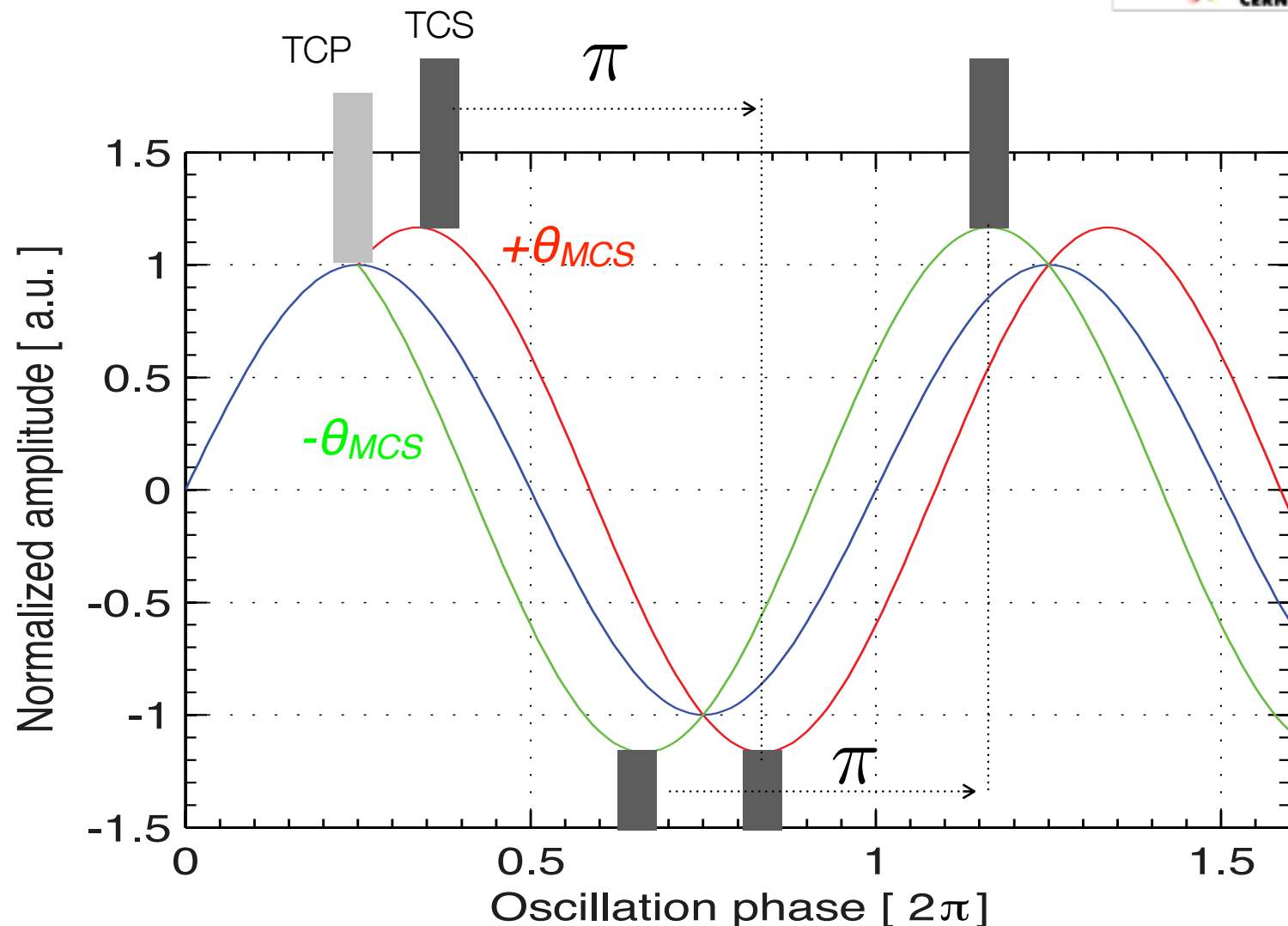
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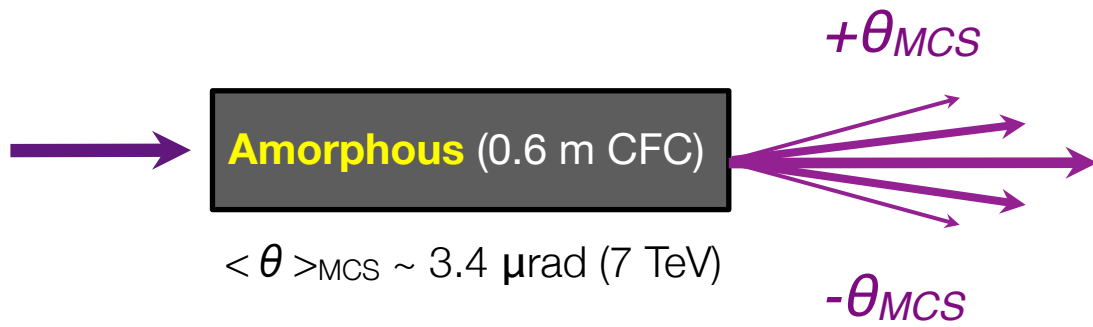
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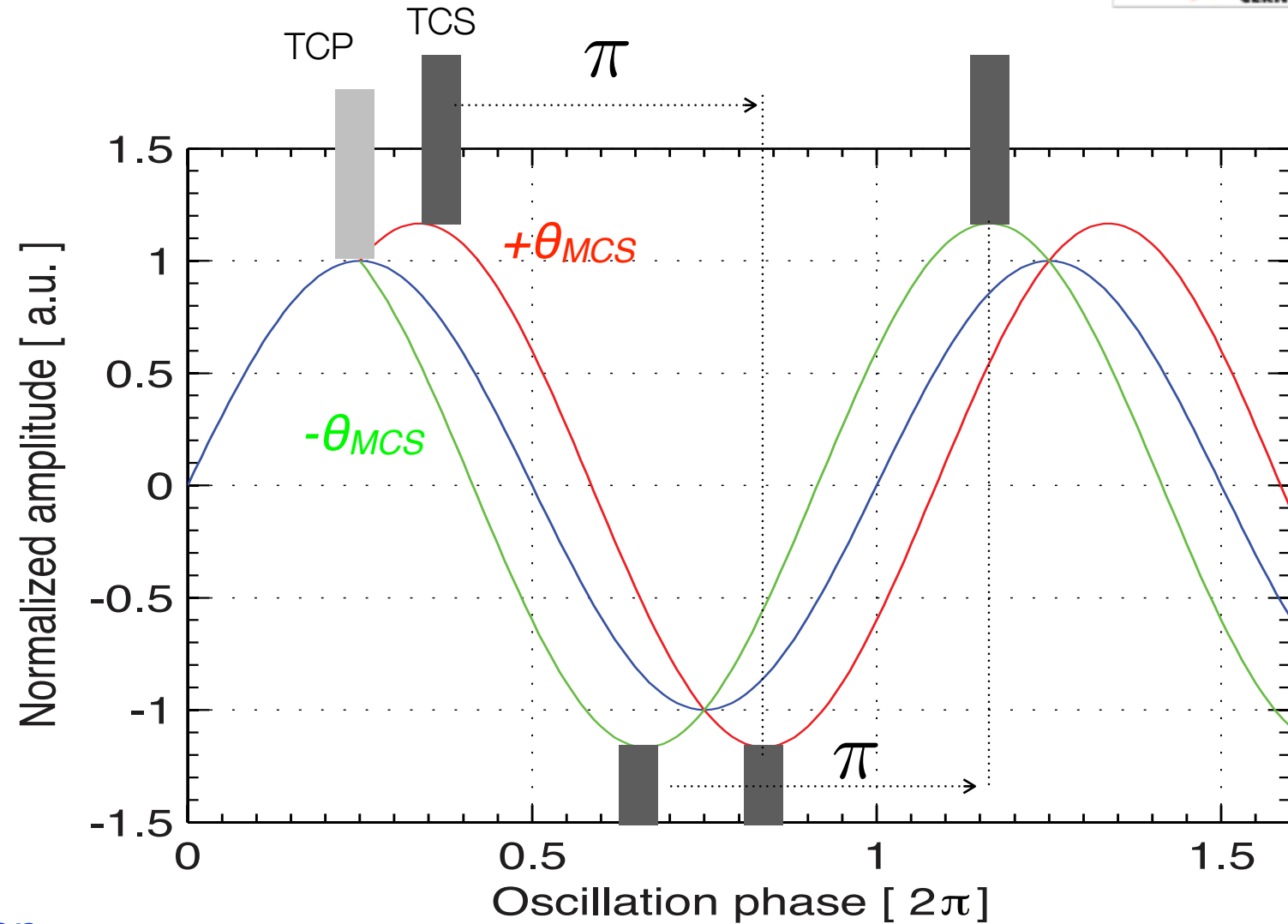
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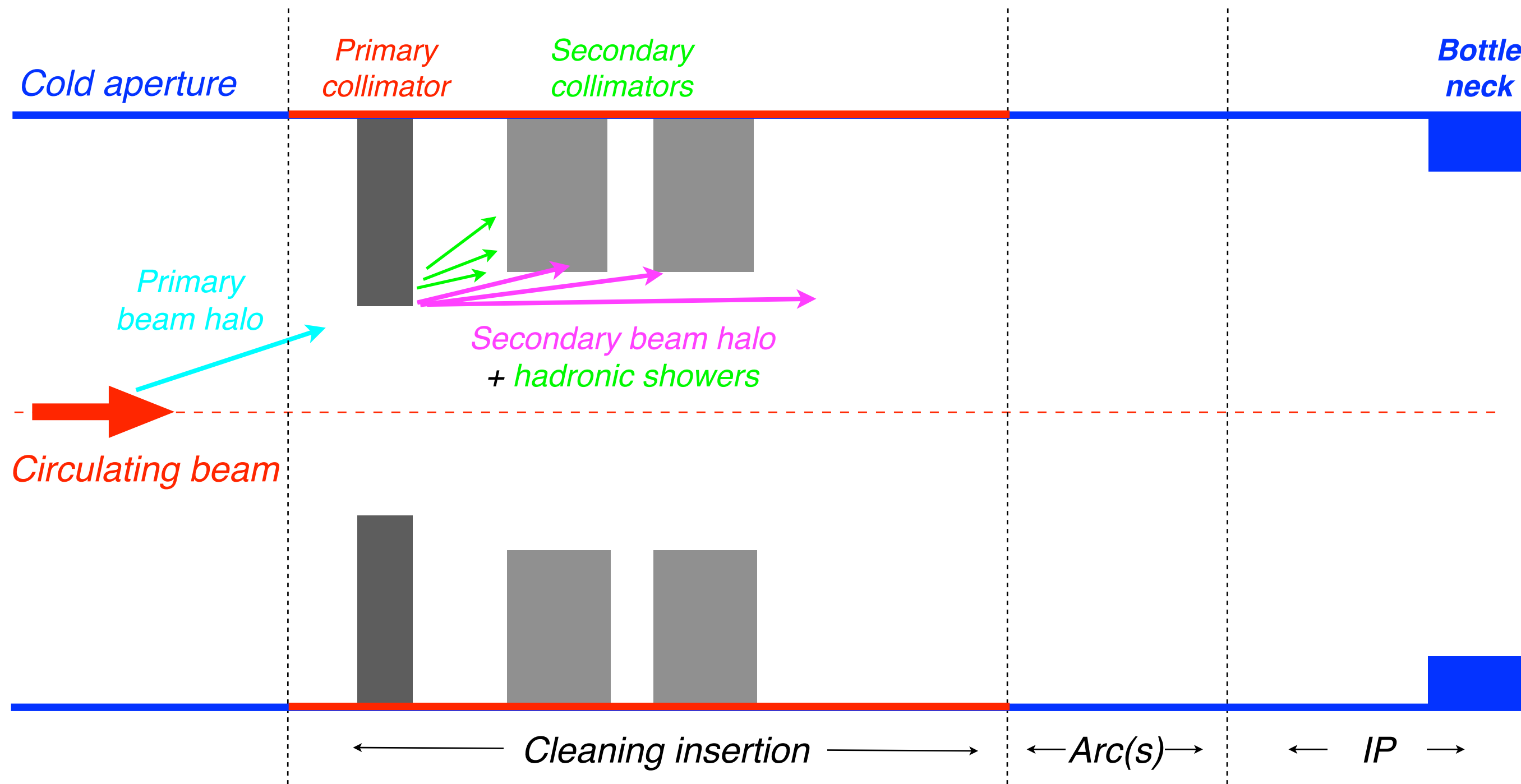
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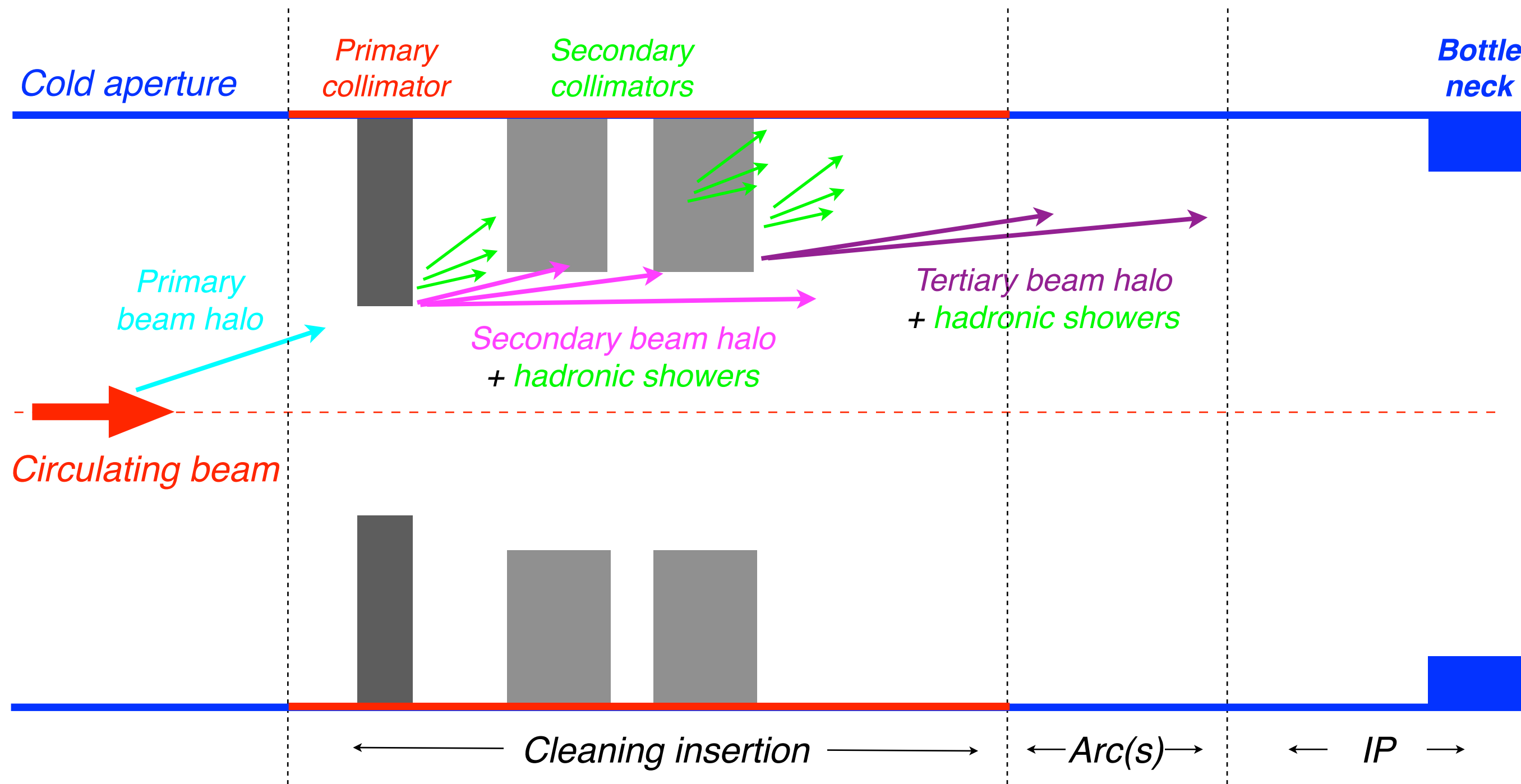
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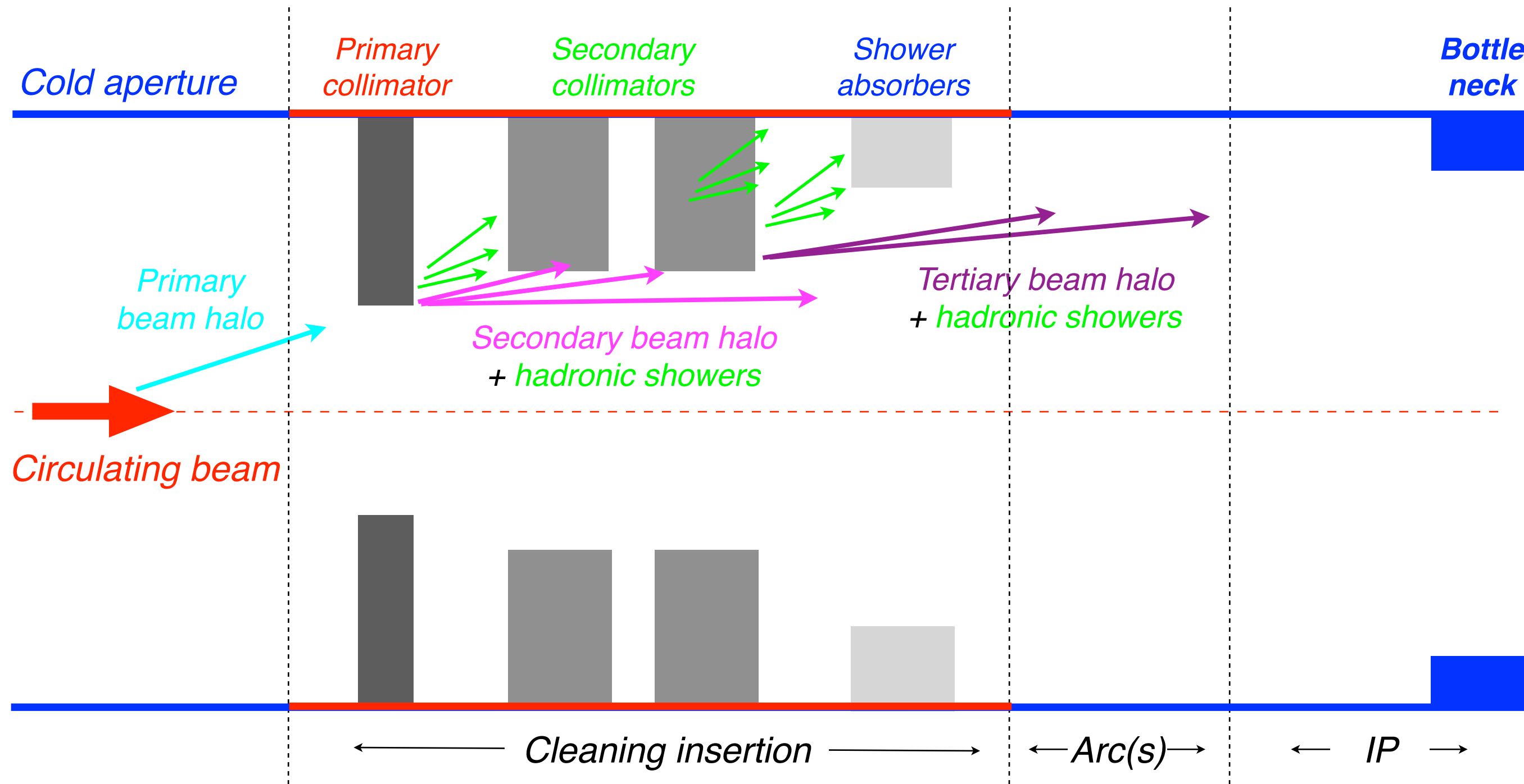
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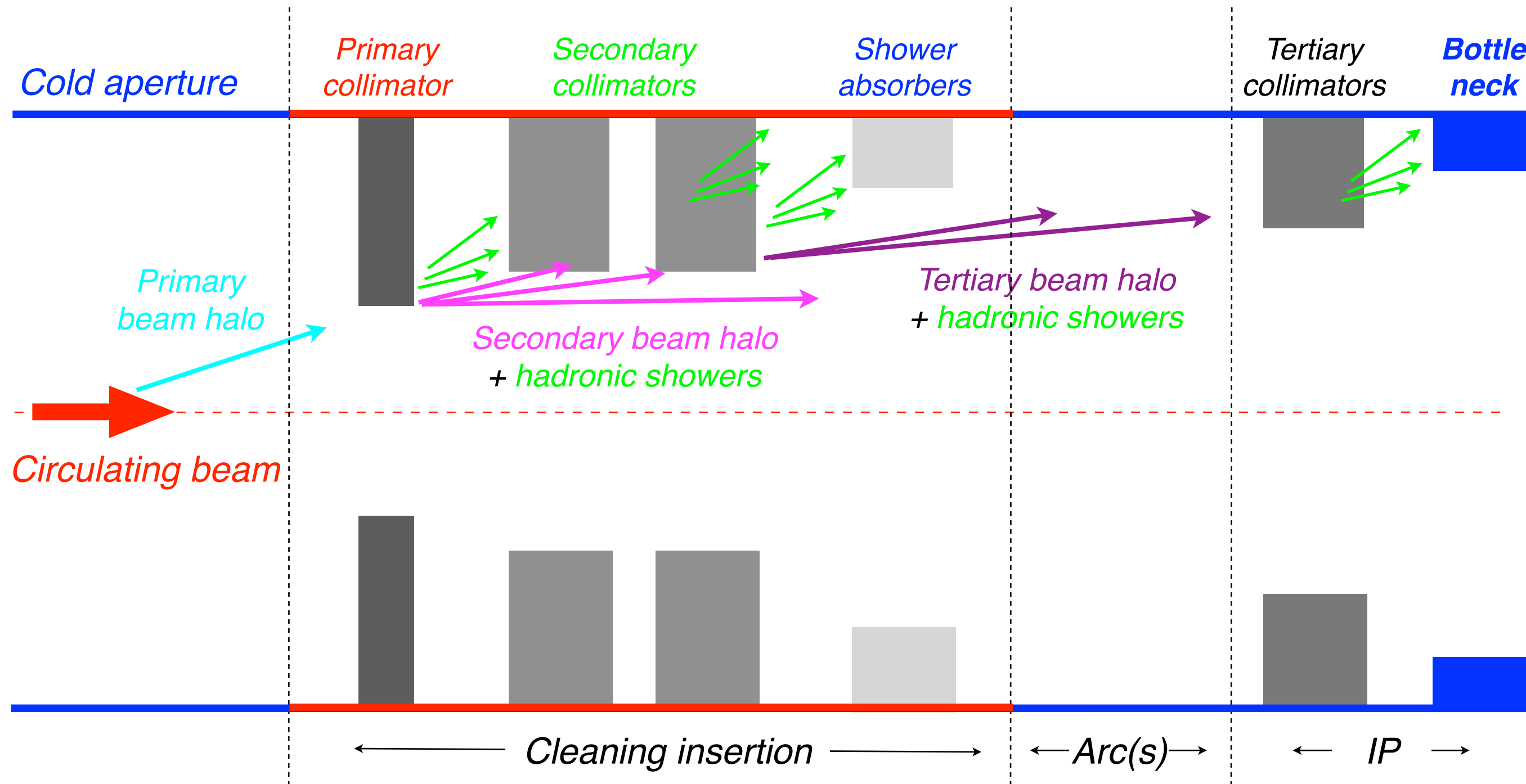


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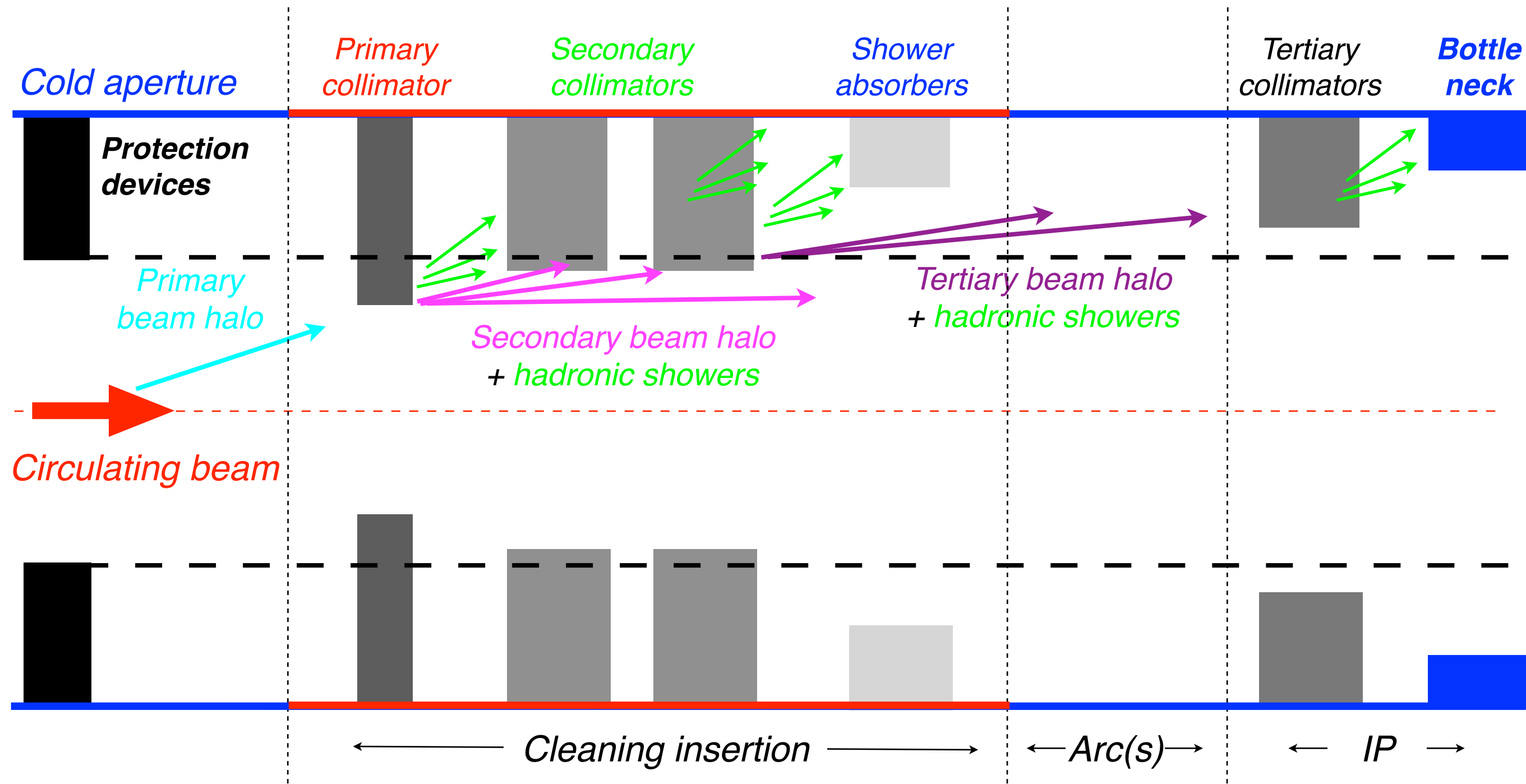




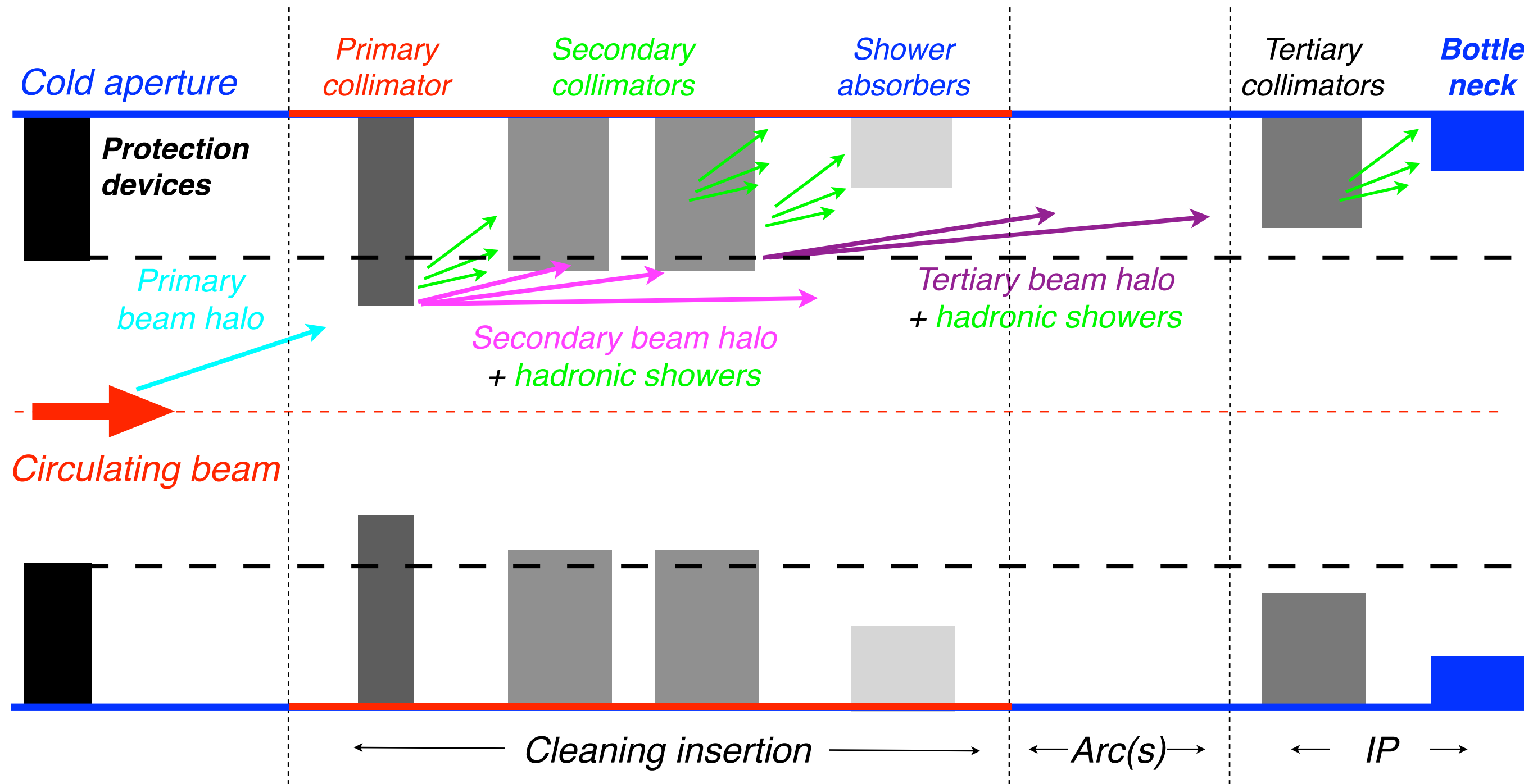
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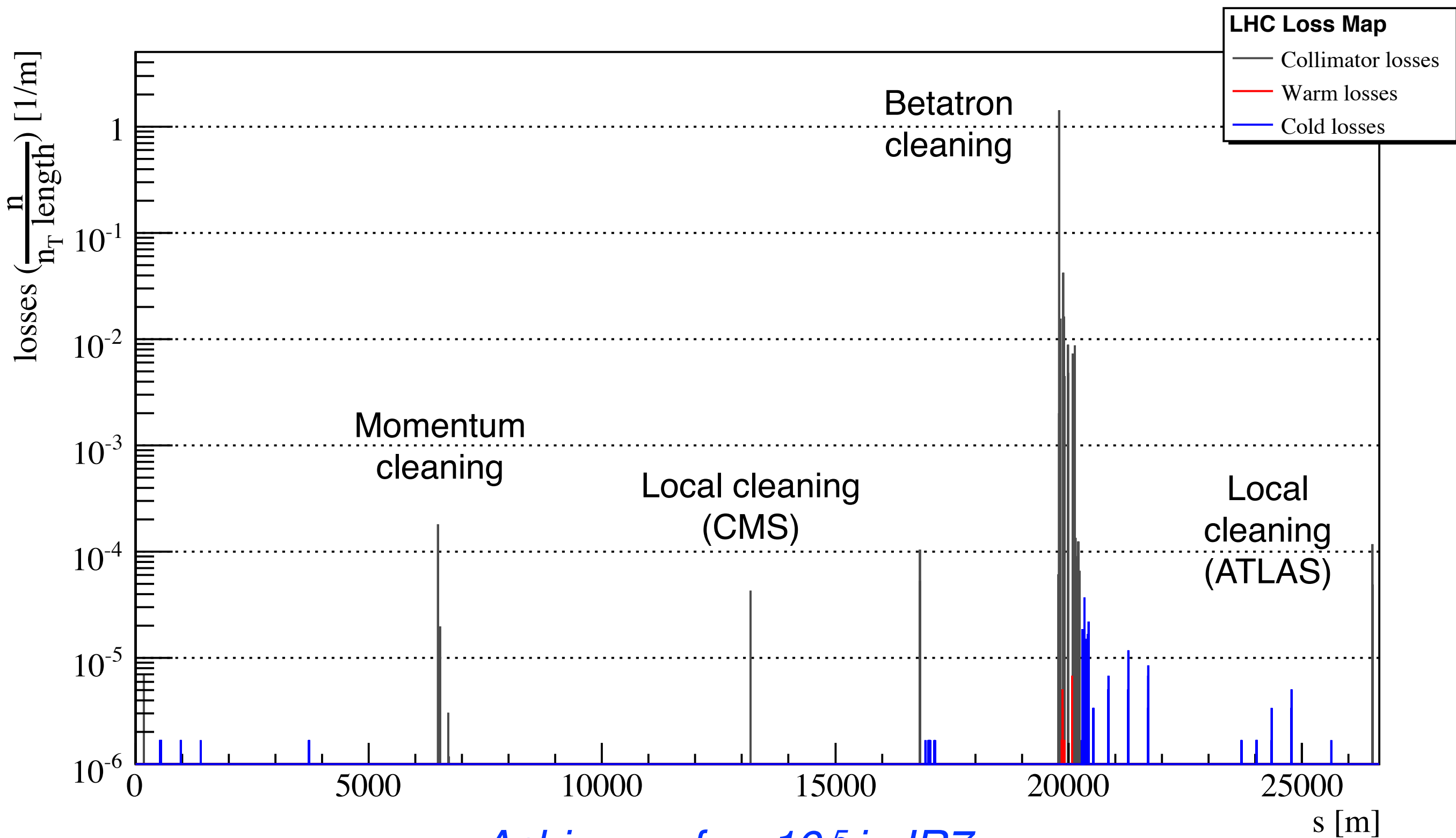


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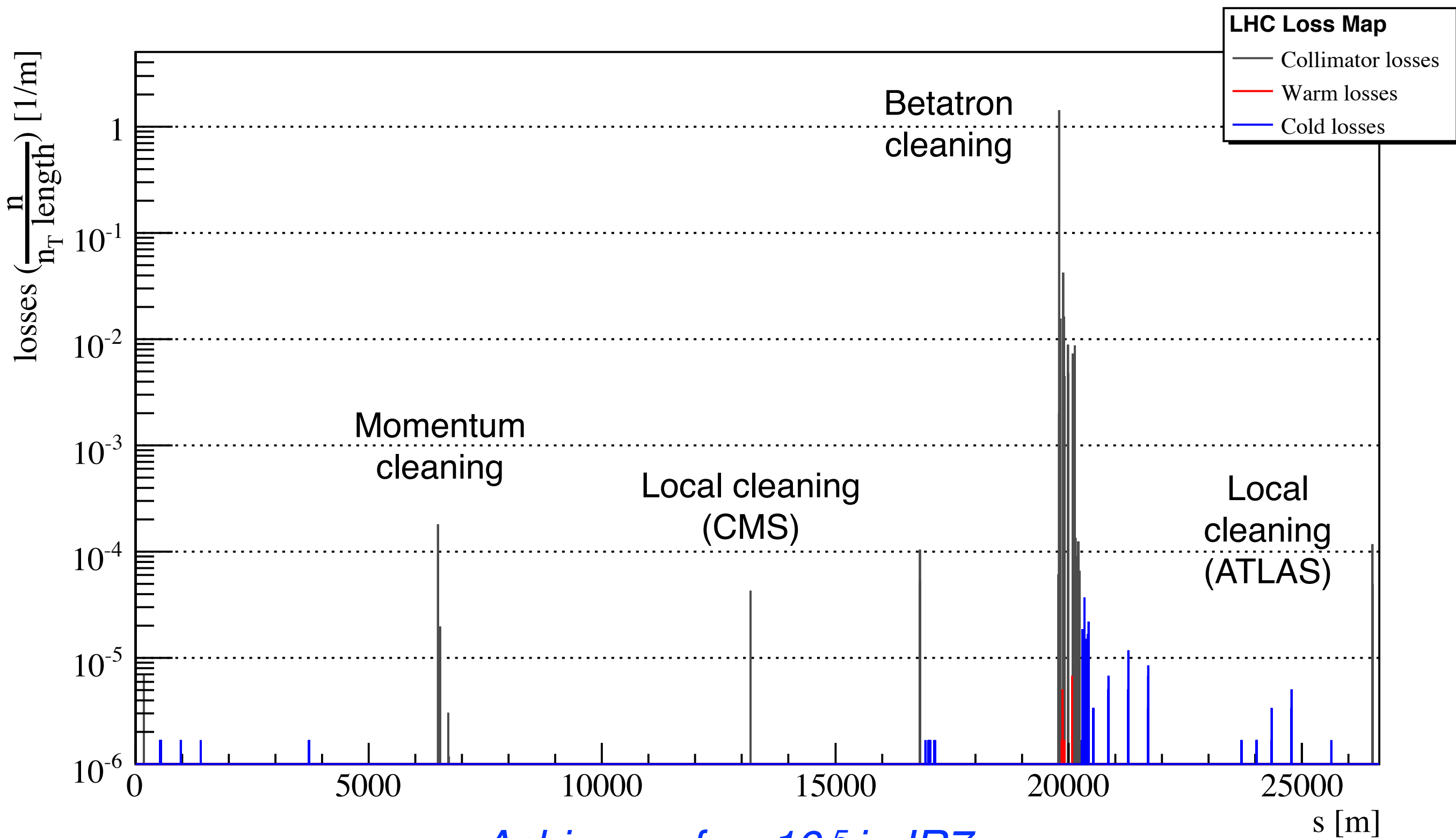


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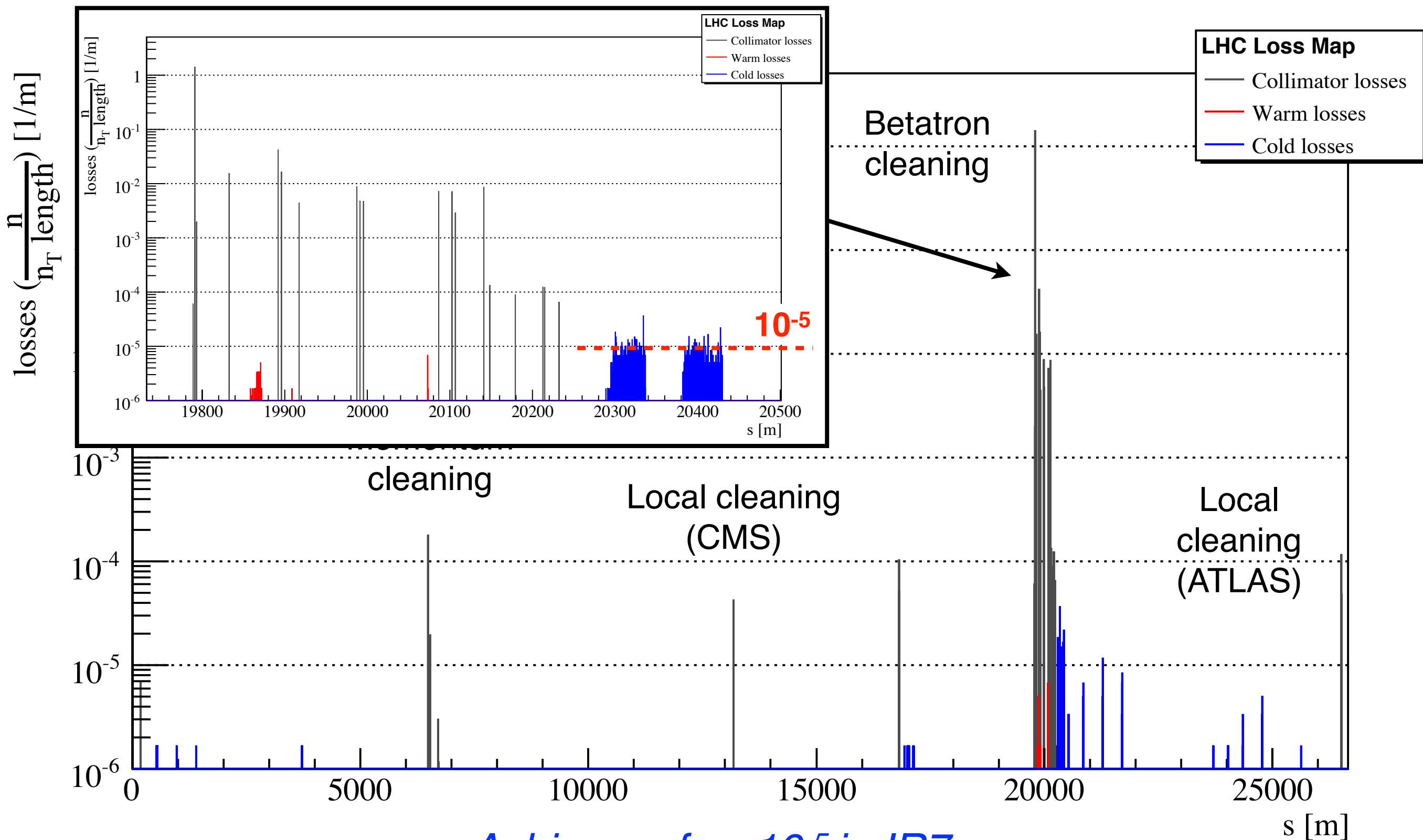


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### IR3: Momentum cleaning

- 1 primary (H)
- 4 secondary (H)
- 4 shower abs. (H,V)

### IR7: Betatron cleaning

- 3 primary (H,V,S)
- 11 secondary (H,V,S)
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## Local cleaning at triplets

8 tertiary (2 per IP)

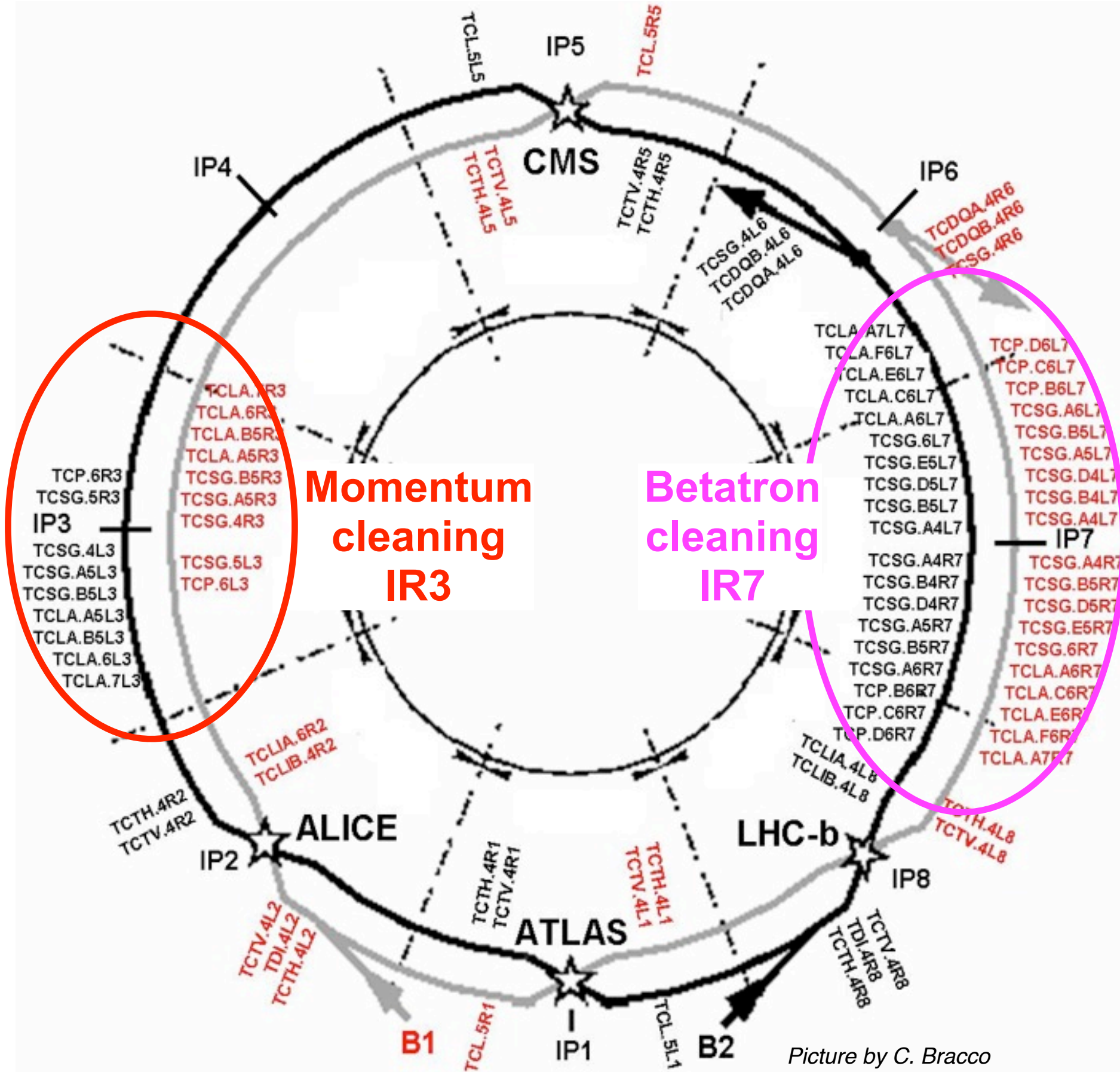
Passive absorbers for warm magnets

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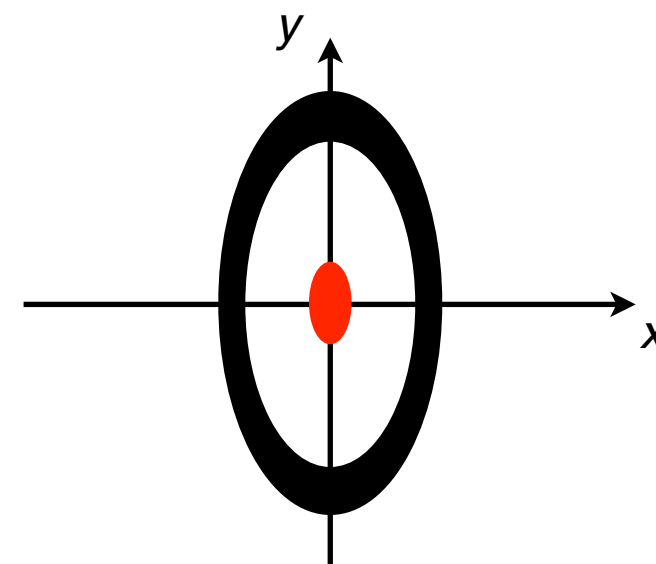
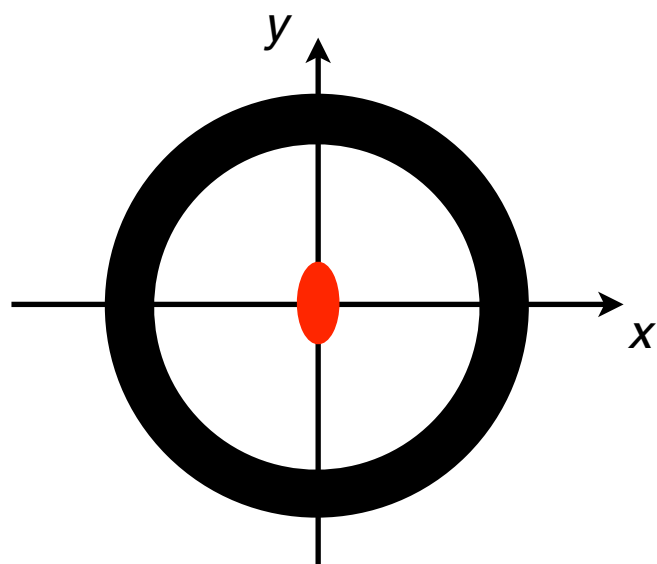
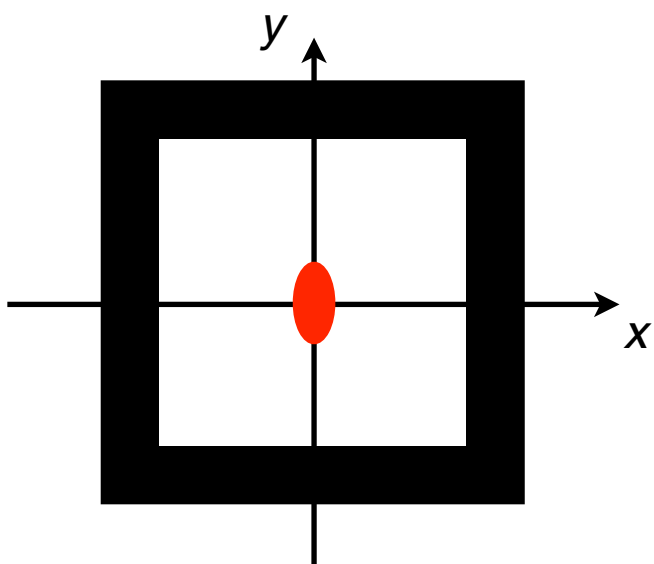


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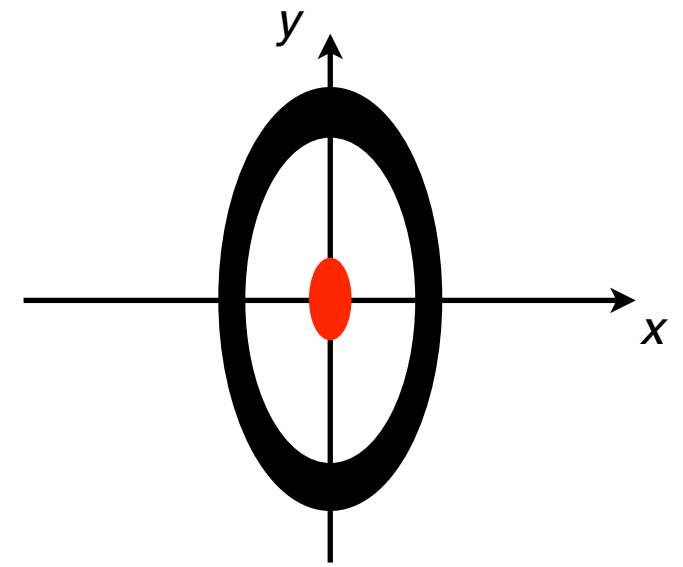
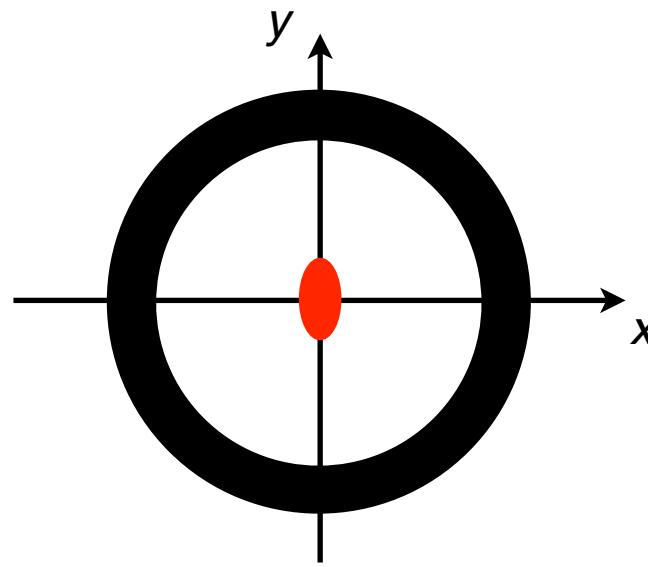
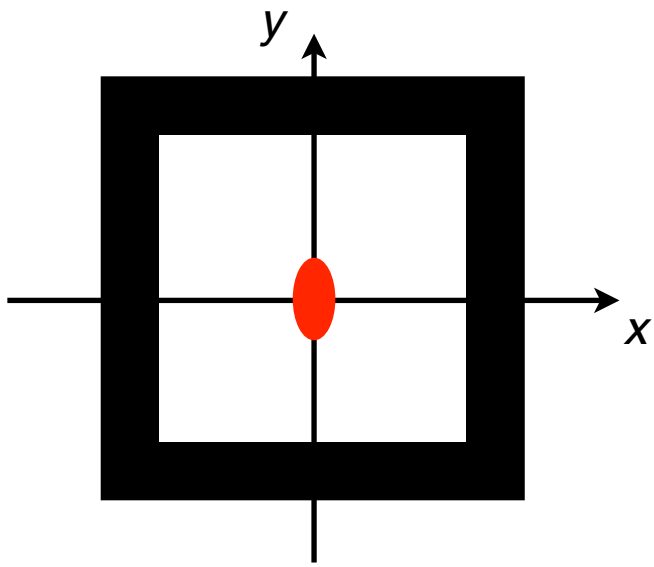
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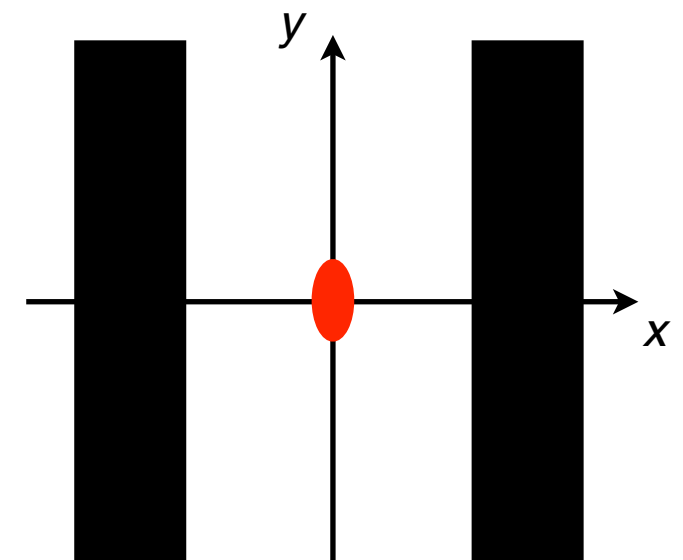
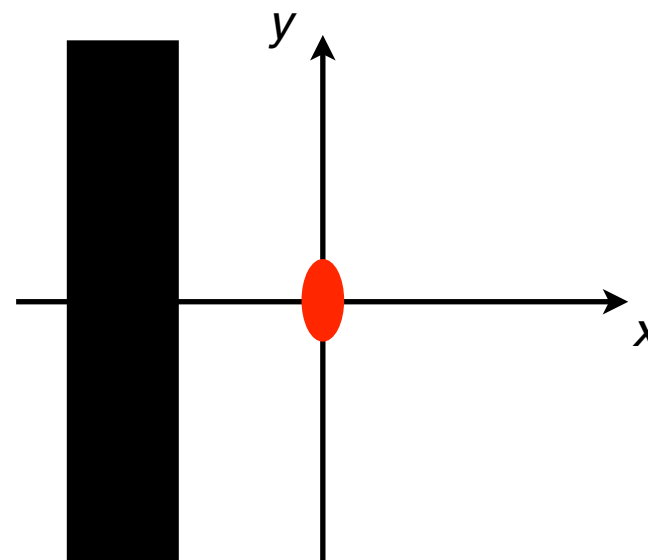
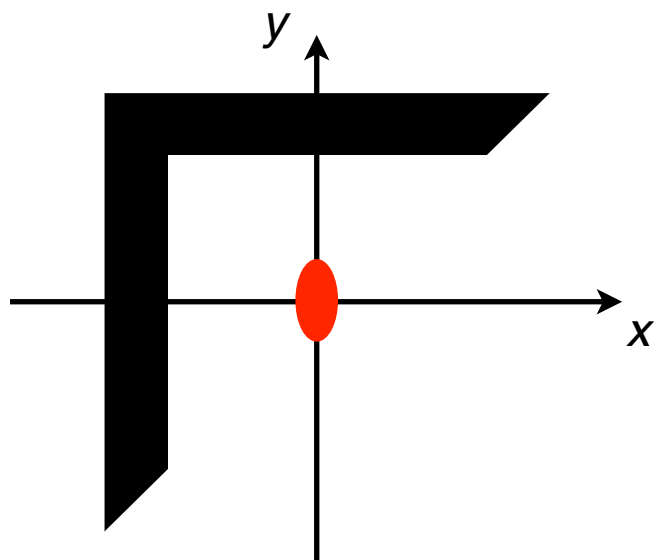


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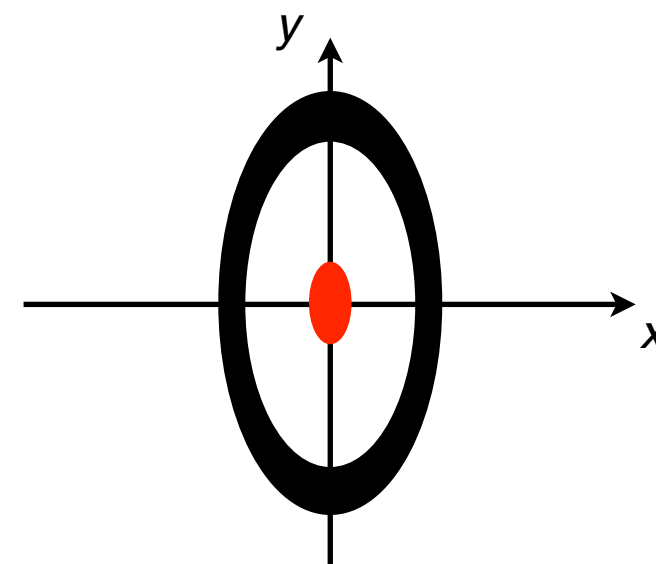
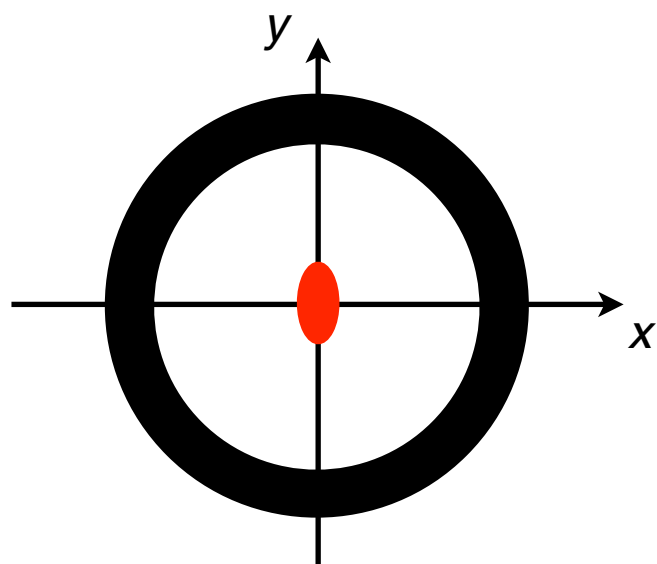
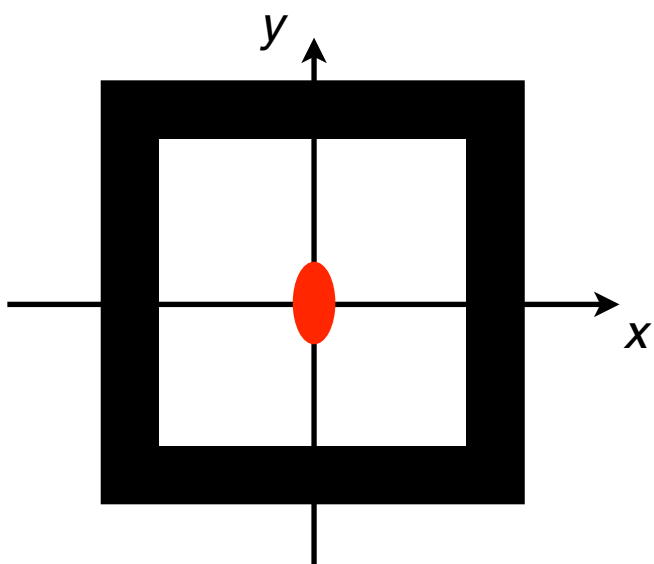


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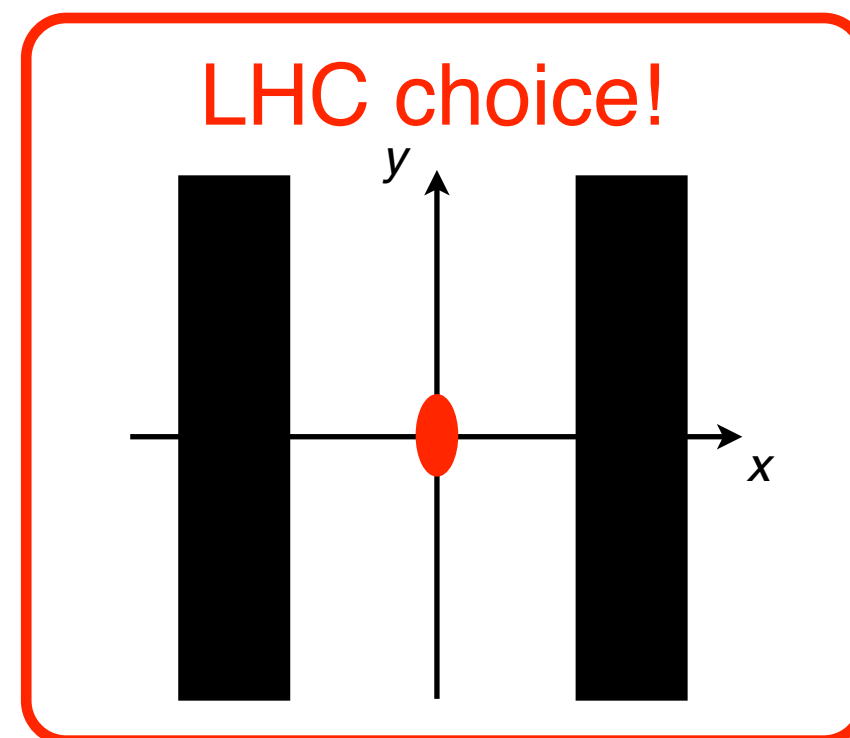
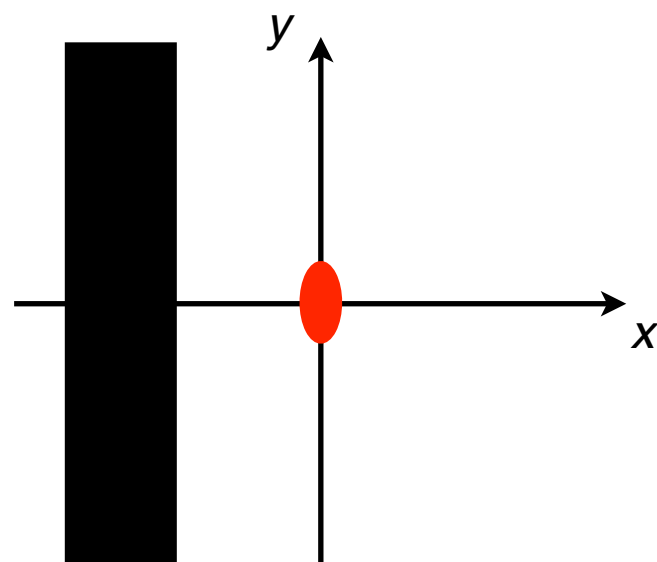
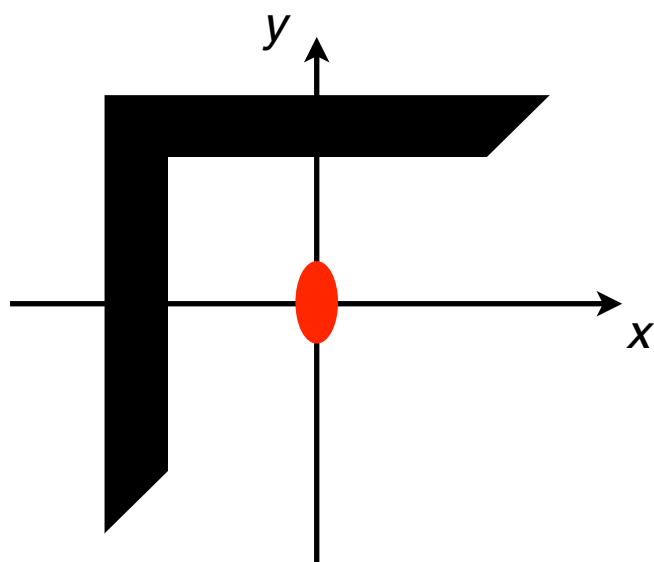


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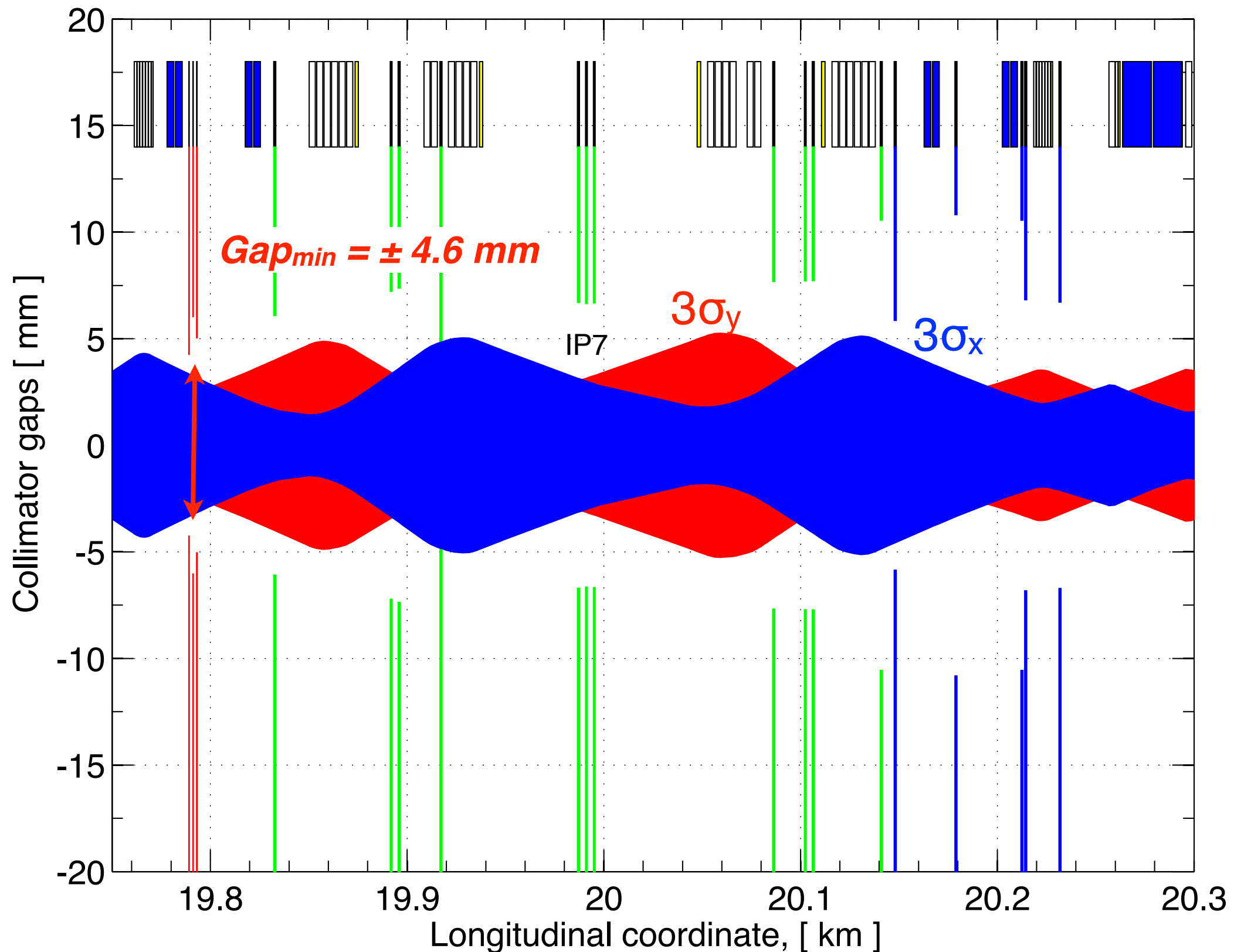


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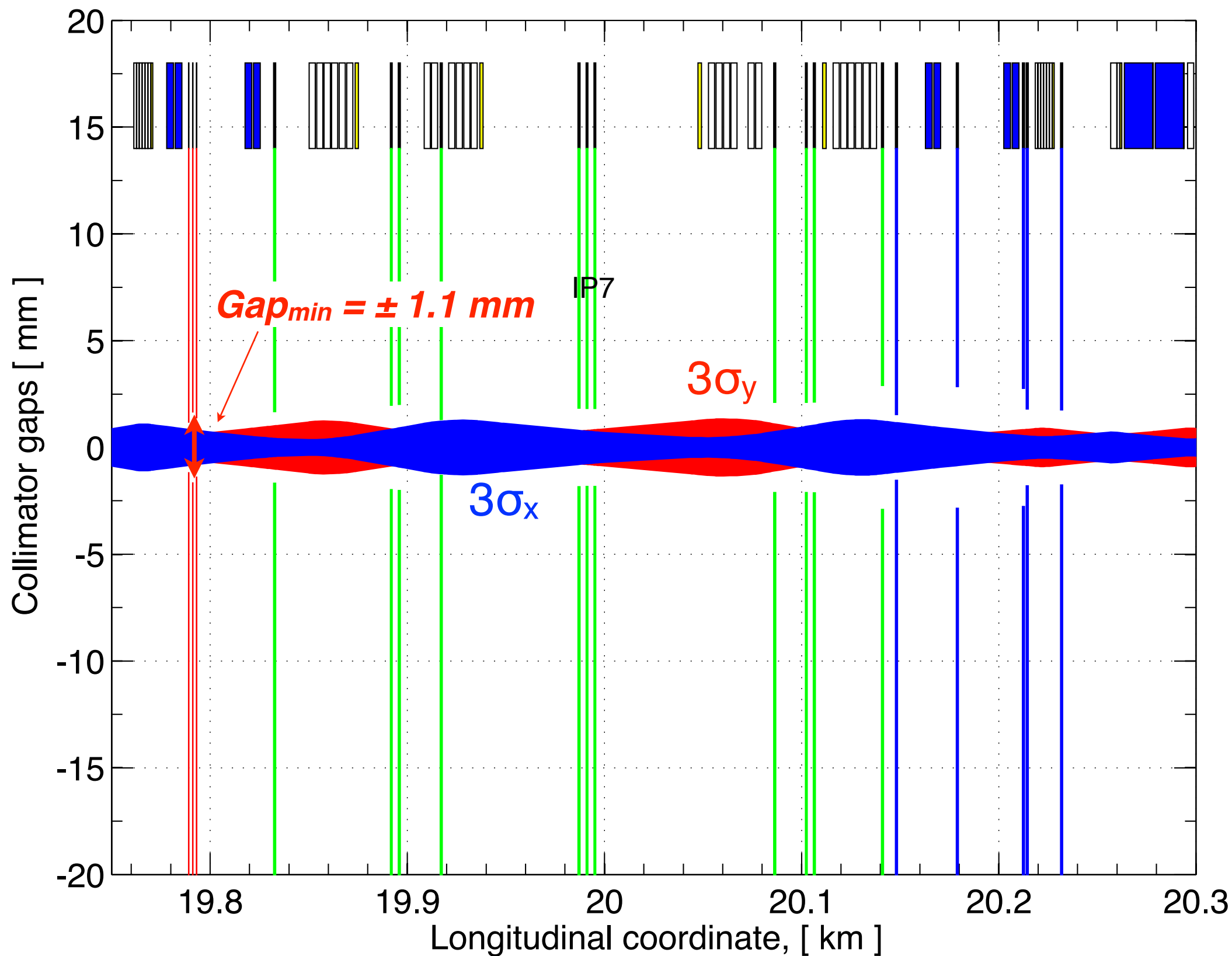


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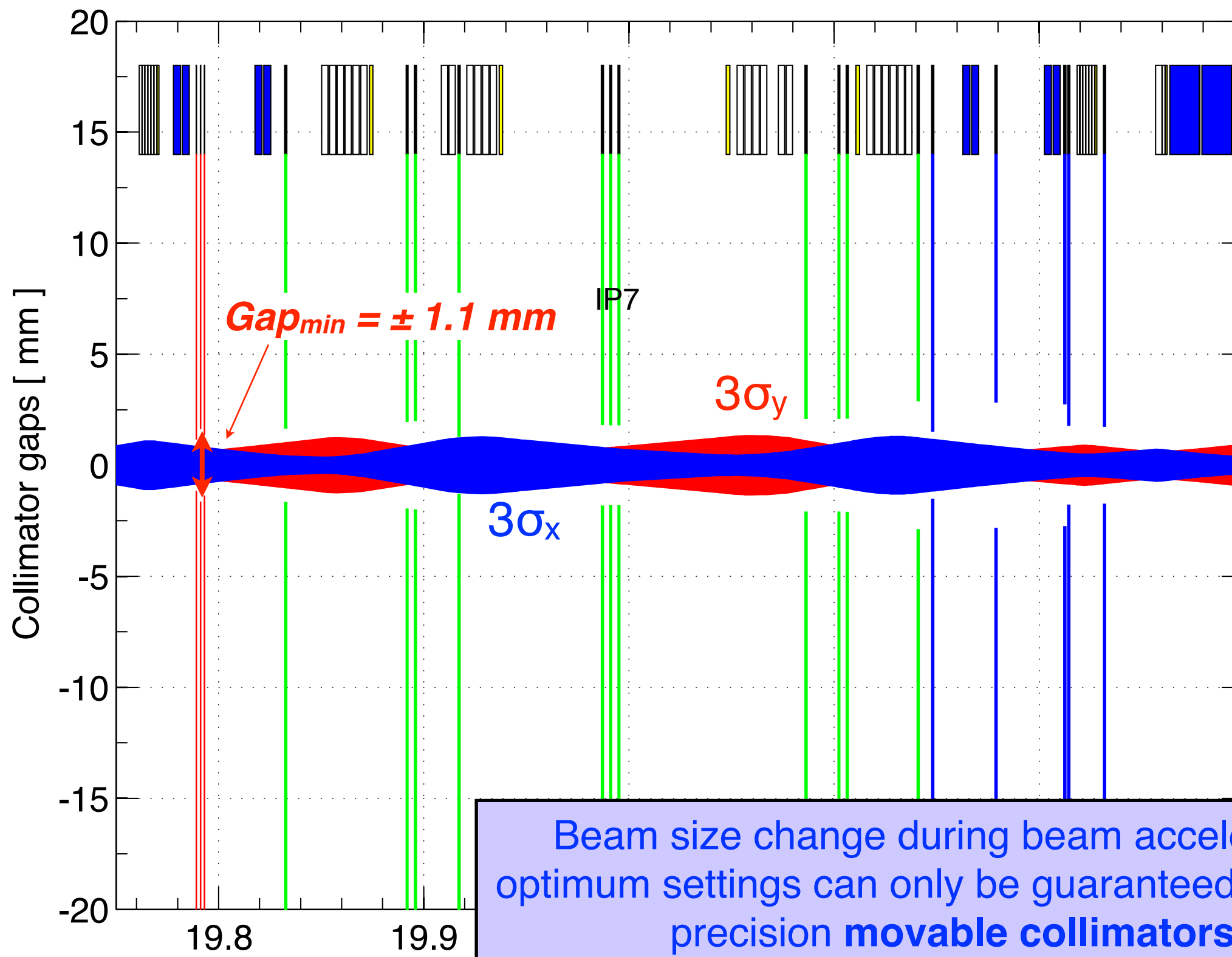


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Beam size change during beam acceleration:  
 optimum settings can only be guaranteed with high-  
 precision **movable collimators!**  
*We could not inject with the 7 TeV gap!*



# Reference design goals



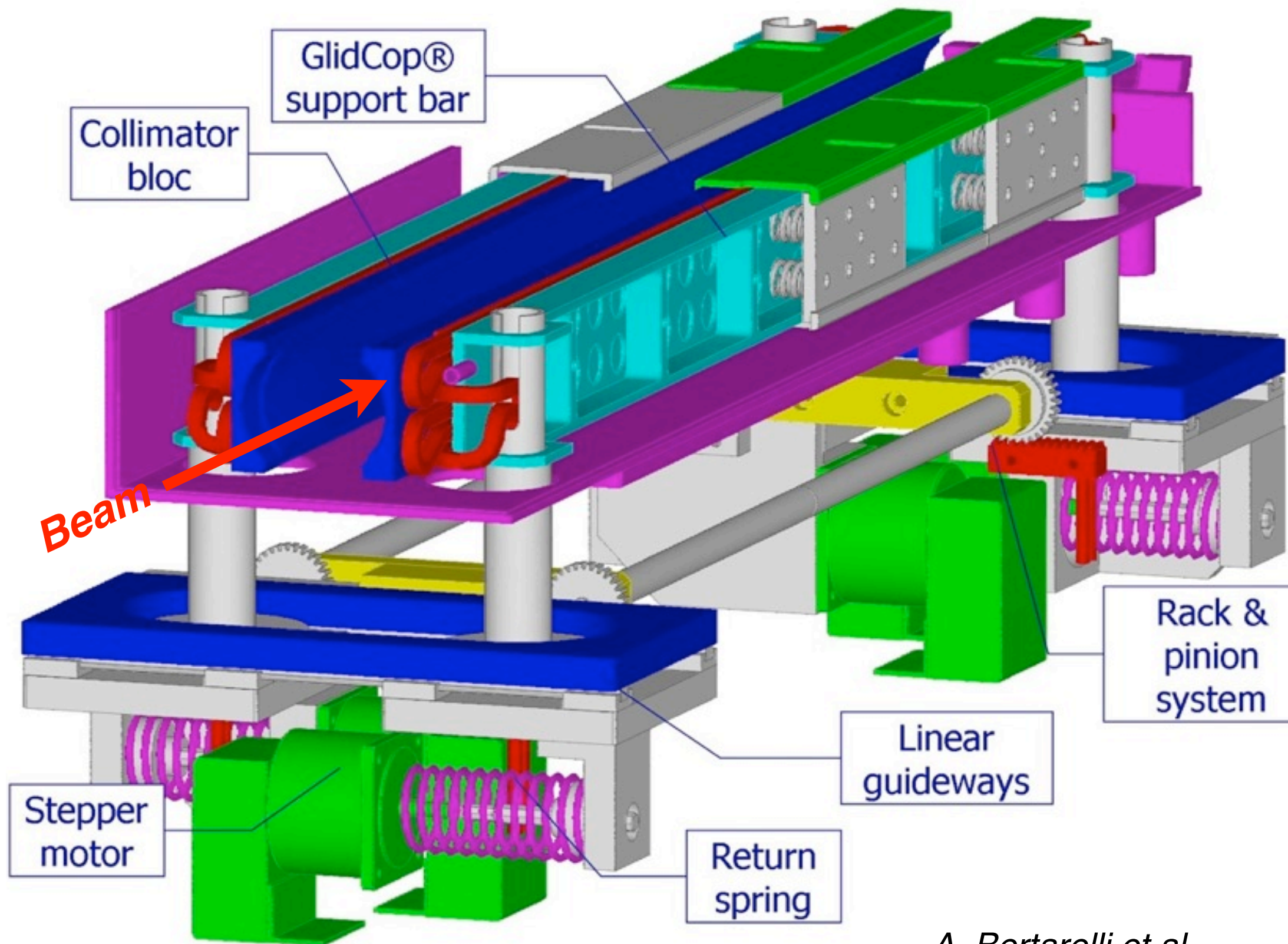
<b>High stored beam energy</b> (melt 500 kg Cu, required for $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ luminosity)	<b>~ 360 MJ/beam</b>
<b>Large transverse energy density</b> (beam is destructive, 3 orders beyond Tevatron/HERA)	<b>1 GJ/mm<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>High required cleaning efficiency</b> (clean lost protons to avoid SC magnet quenches)	<b>99.998 % (<math>\sim 10^{-5}</math>p/m)</b>
<b>Activation of collimation insertions</b> (good reliability required, very restricted access)	<b>~ 1-15 mSv/h</b>
<b>Small spot sizes at high energy</b> (small 7 TeV emittance, no large beta in restricted space)	<b>~ 200 <math>\mu\text{m}</math></b>
<b>Collimation close to beam</b> (available mechanical aperture is at $\sim 10 \sigma$ )	<b>6-7 <math>\sigma</math></b>
<b>Small collimator gaps</b> (impedance problem, tight tolerances: $\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$ )	<b>~2.1 mm (at 7 TeV)</b>
<b>Big and distributed system</b> (coupled with mach. protection / dump)	<b>~100 devices ~500 deg. of freedom</b>

Quench  
Damage  
Heating  
Activation  
Stability  
Impedance  
Precision

# Collimator design

## Main design features:

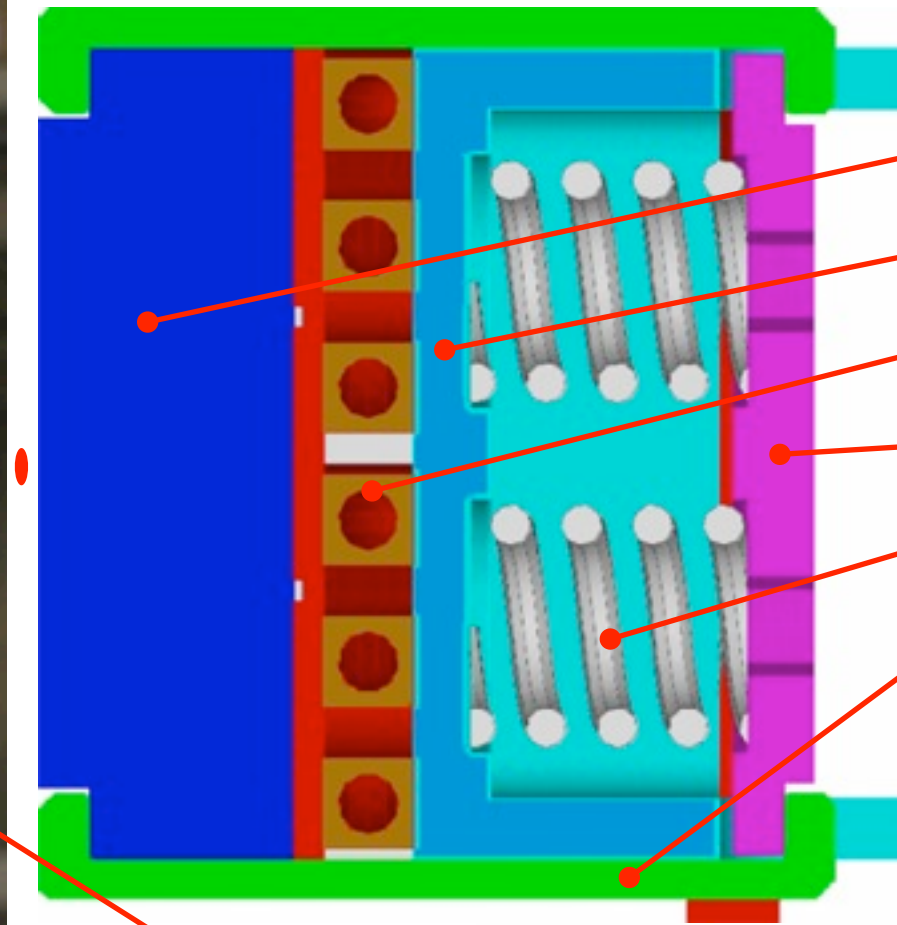
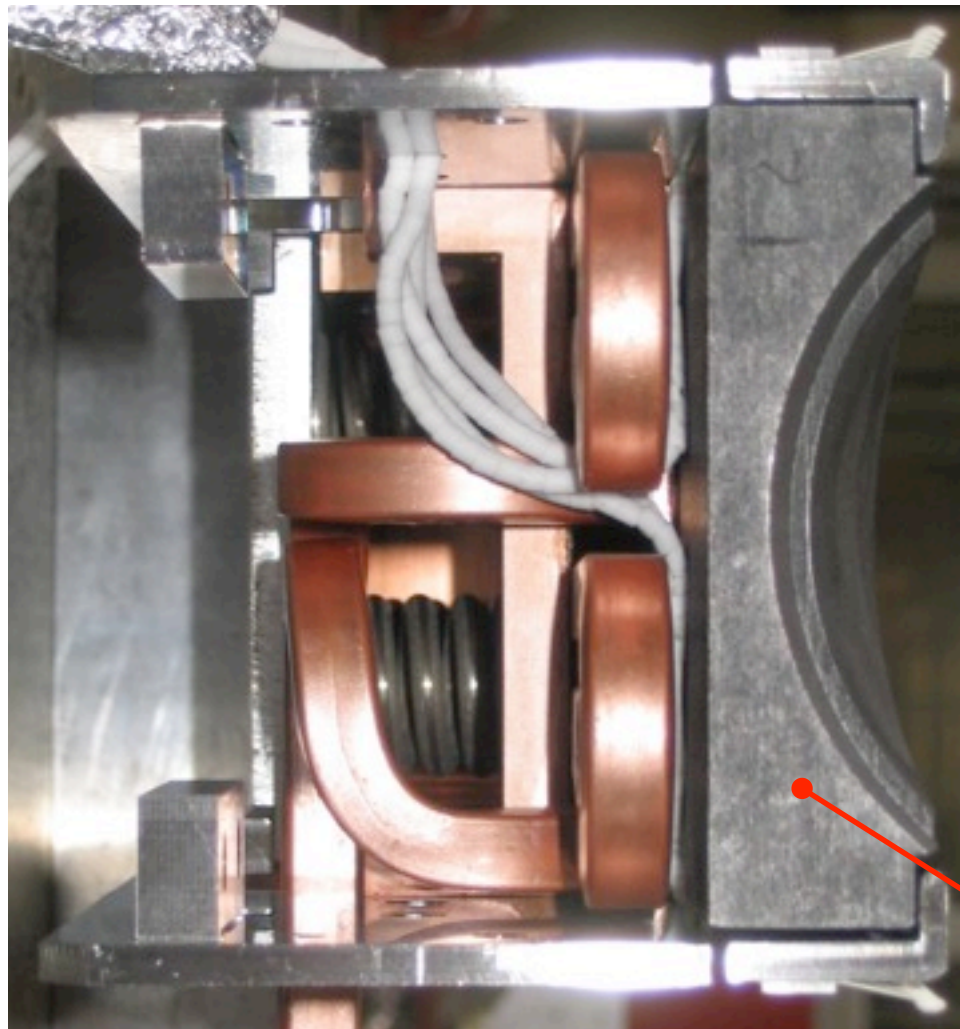
- Two jaws (position and angle)
- Concept of spare surface
- Different angles (H,V,S)
- External reference of jaw position
- Auto-retraction
- RF fingers
- Jaw cooling



*A. Bertarelli et al.*

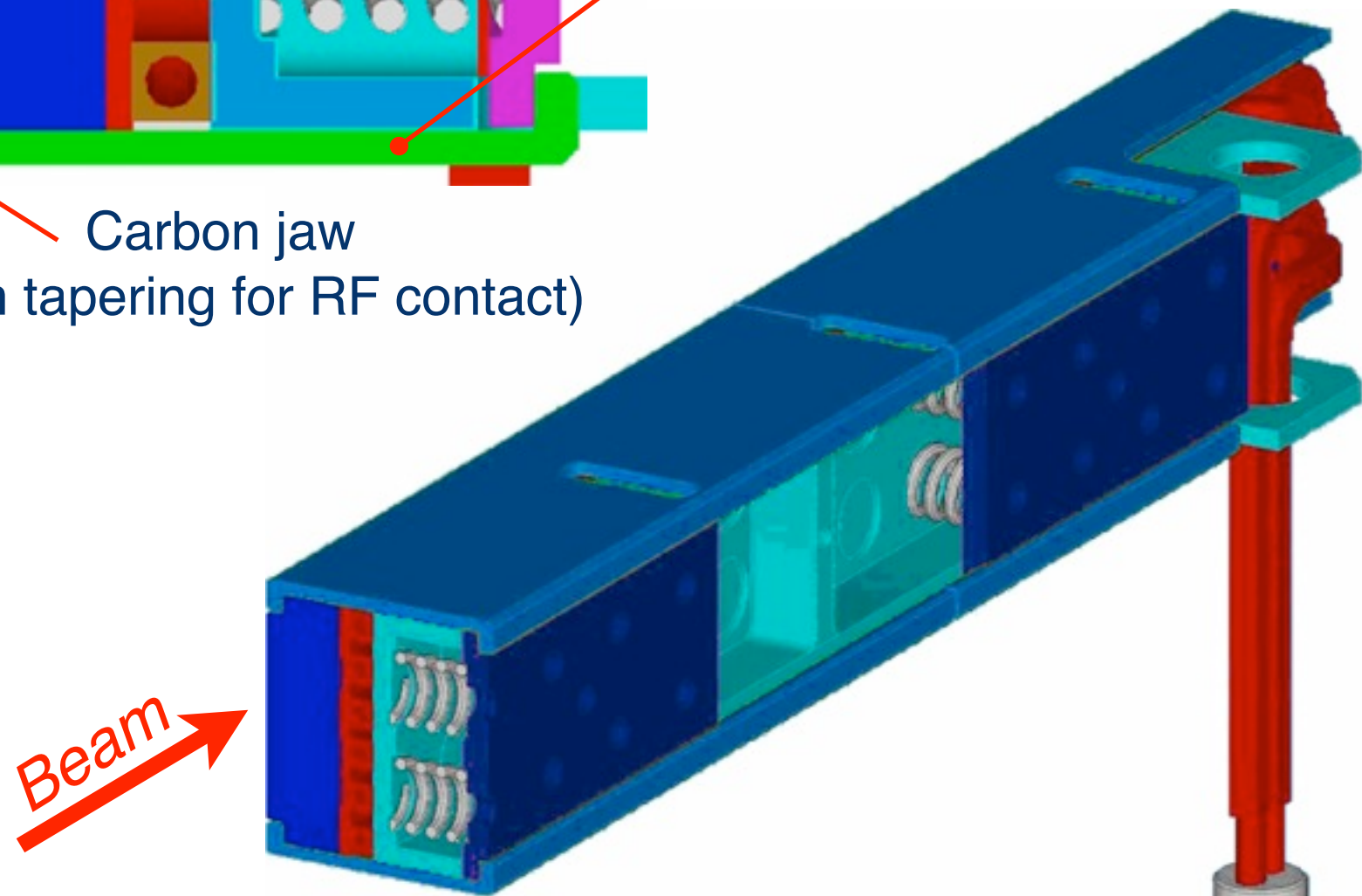


# LHC collimator jaw design



- Collimating Jaw (C/C composite)
- Main support beam (Glidcop)
- Cooling-circuit (Cu-Ni pipes)
- Counter-plates (Stainless steel)
- Preloaded springs (Stainless steel)
- Clamping plates (Glidcop)

Carbon jaw  
(10cm tapering for RF contact)



*Special “sandwich” design to minimize the thermal deformations:*

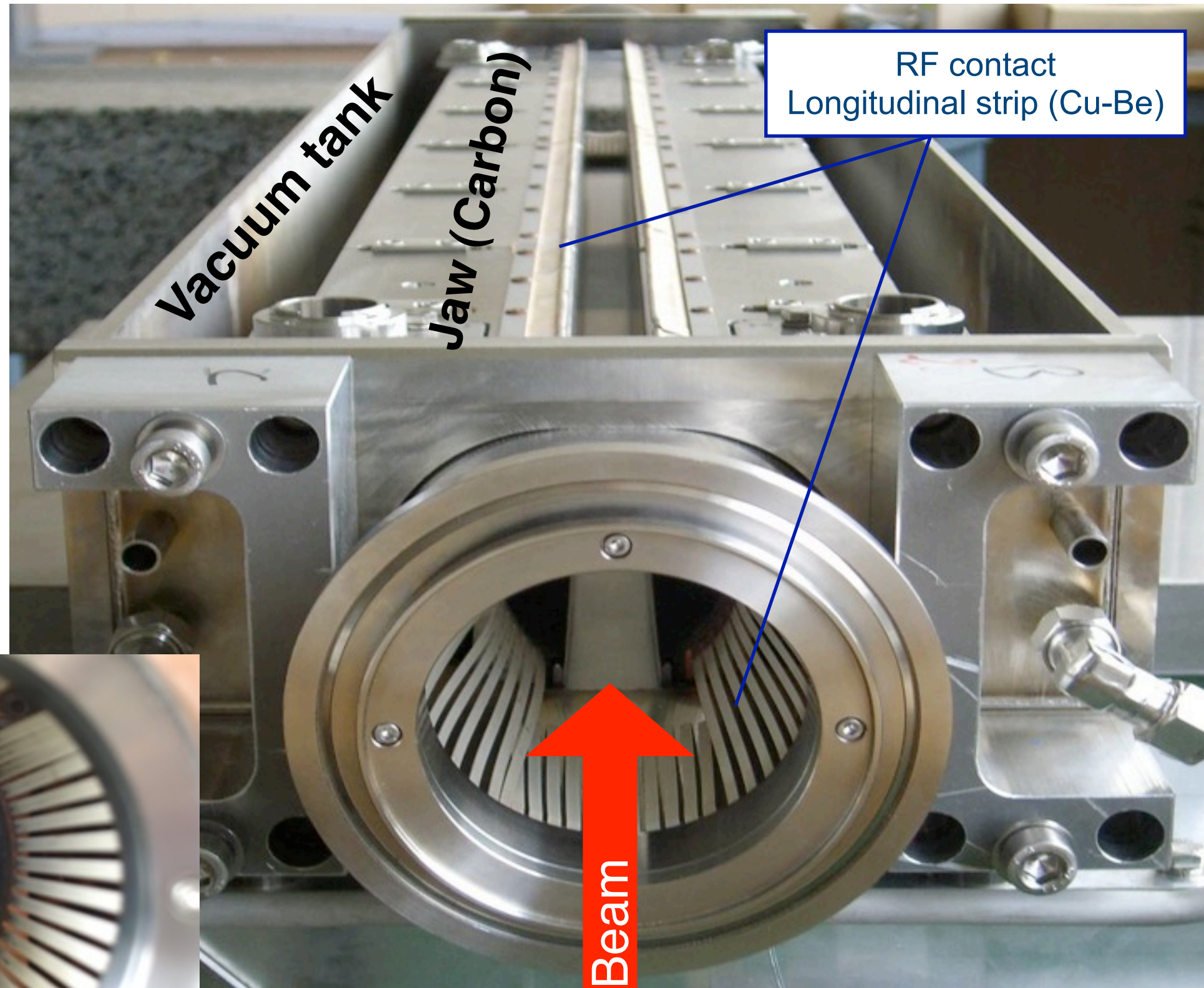
*Steady (~5 kW) → < 30 μm*

*Transient (~30 kW) → ~ 110 μm*

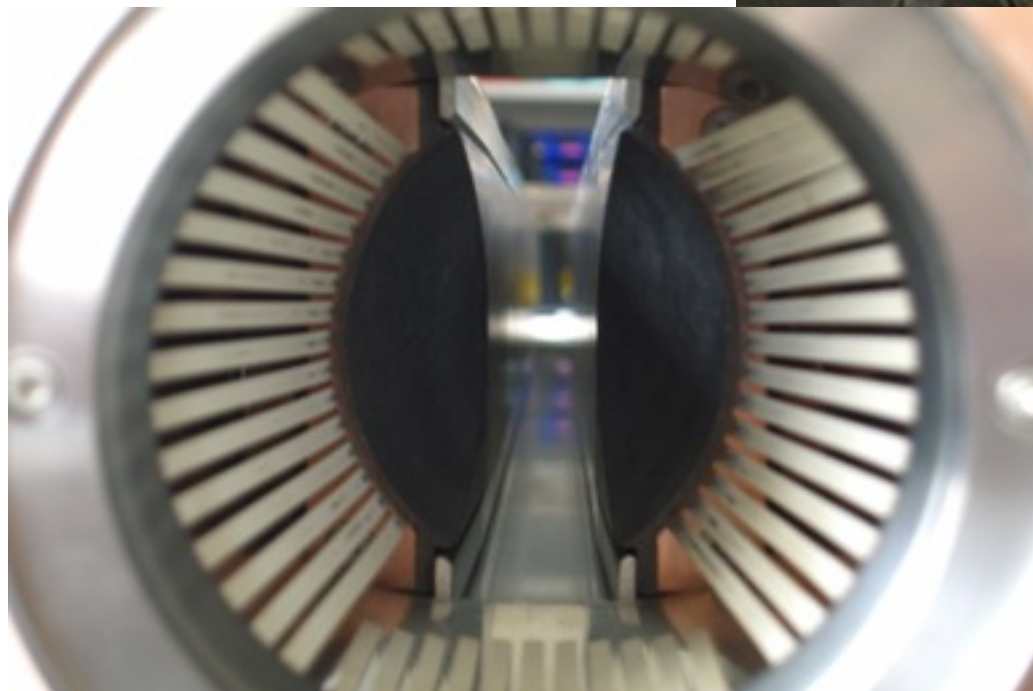
*Materials: Graphite, Carbon fibre composites, Copper, Tungsten.*



# A look inside the vacuum tank

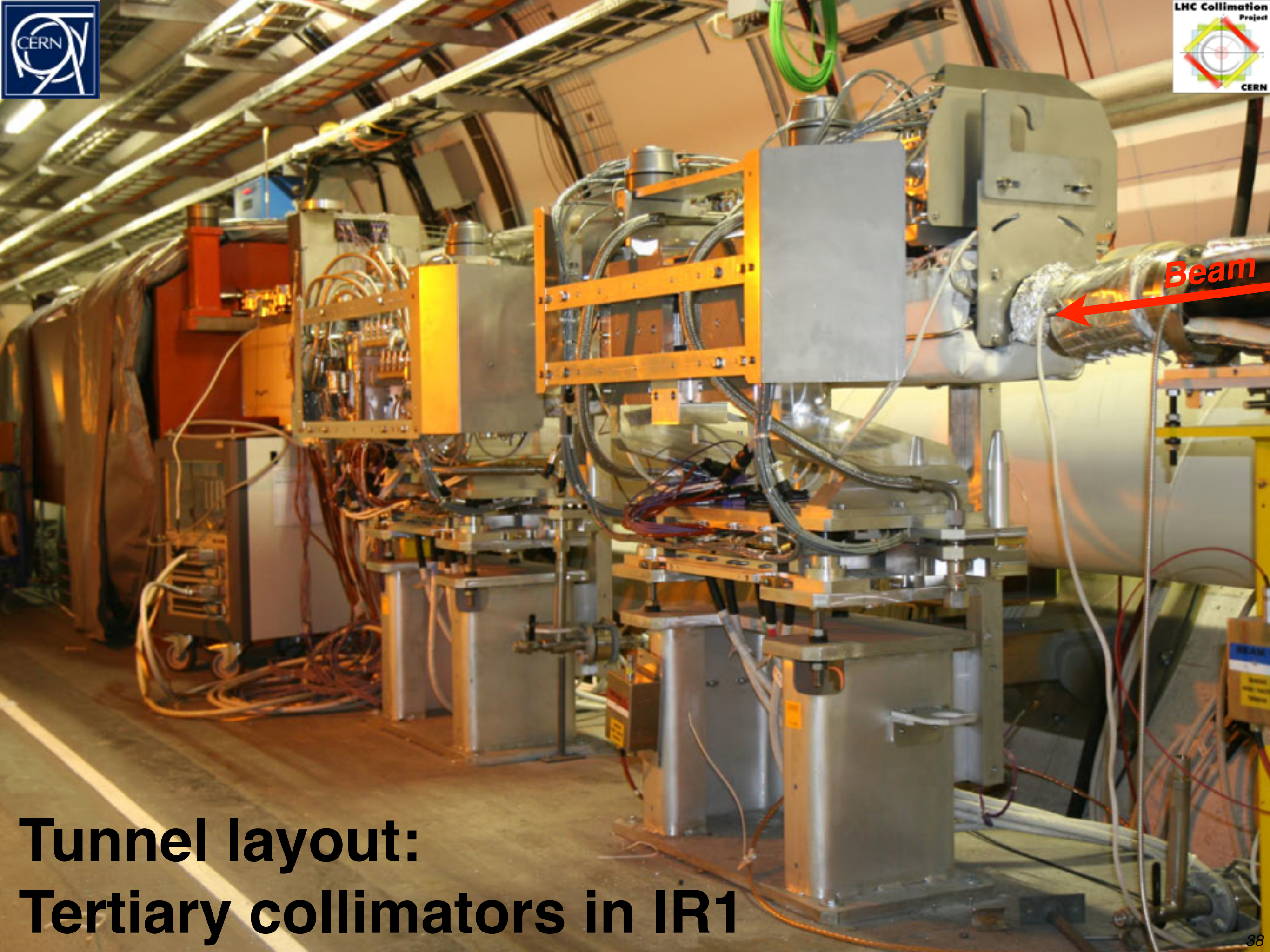


*What the beam sees!*



A. Bertarelli, A. Dallocchio





Beam

**Tunnel layout:  
Tertiary collimators in IR1**



# Recap. of design challenges for 360MJ





## Main **collimation challenges**:

- **High stored energy:** Collimators needed in **all phases** (*inj., ramp, squeeze, physics*);  
Function-driven controls of jaw positions mandatory;  
**Robustness** and **cleaning efficiency**;  
Big and **distributed** system (100 collimators).
- **Small gaps:** Mechanical **precision, reproducibility** (< 20 microns);  
Constraints on orbit/optics **reproducibility**;  
Machine **impedance** and beam instabilities.
- **Collimator hierarchy:** Collimators determine the LHC  $\beta^*$  reach.
- **Machine protection:** Redundant **interlocks** of collimator jaw positions and gaps.
- **High-radiation environ.:** **Radiation-hard** components (HW + SW);  
Challenging remote **handling**, design for quick installation.

Parameter	Unit	Specification
Jaw material		CFC
Jaw length	TCS TCP	cm cm
		100 60
Jaw tapering	cm	10 + 10
Jaw cross section	mm <sup>2</sup>	65 × 25
Jaw resistivity	μΩm	≤ 10
Surface roughness	μm	≤ 1.6
<b>Jaw flatness error</b>	<b>μm</b>	<b>≤ 40</b>

Heat load	kW	≤ 7
Jaw temperature	°C	≤ 50
Bake-out temp.	°C	250
<b>Minimal gap</b>	<b>mm</b>	<b>≤ 0.5</b>
Maximal gap	mm	≥ 58
Jaw position control	μm	≤ 10
Jaw angle control	μrad	≤ 15
<b>Reproducibility</b>	<b>μm</b>	<b>≤ 20</b>

R. Assmann et al. (2003)

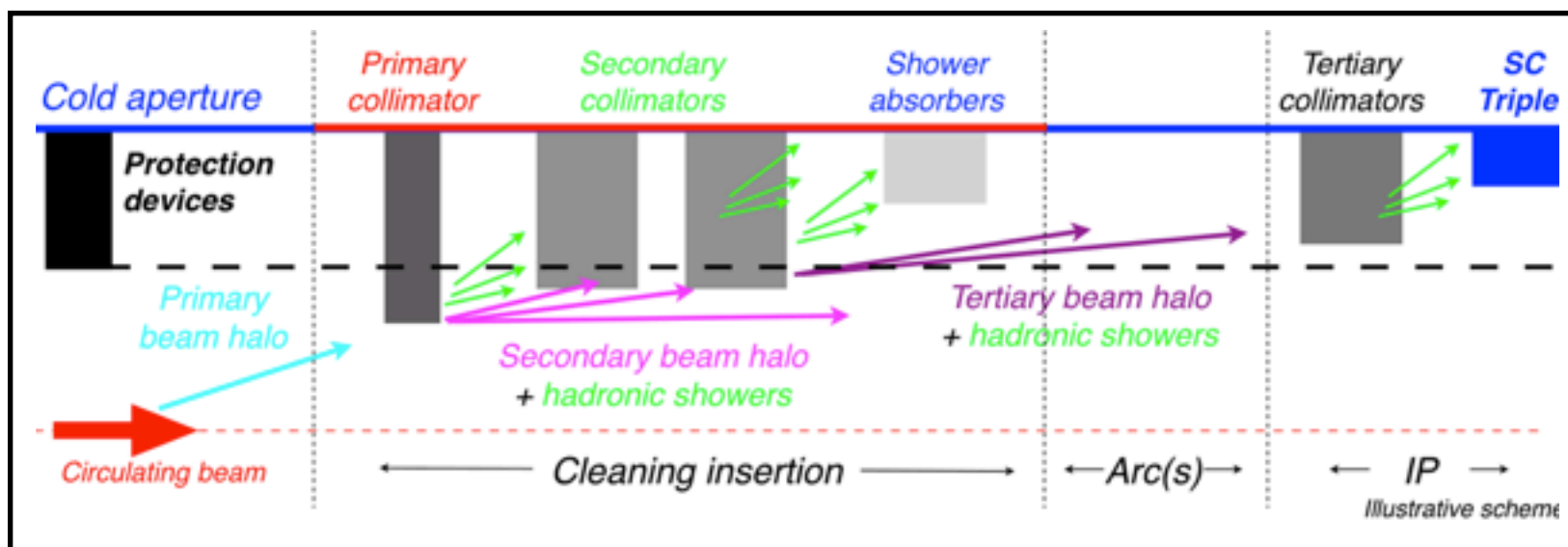


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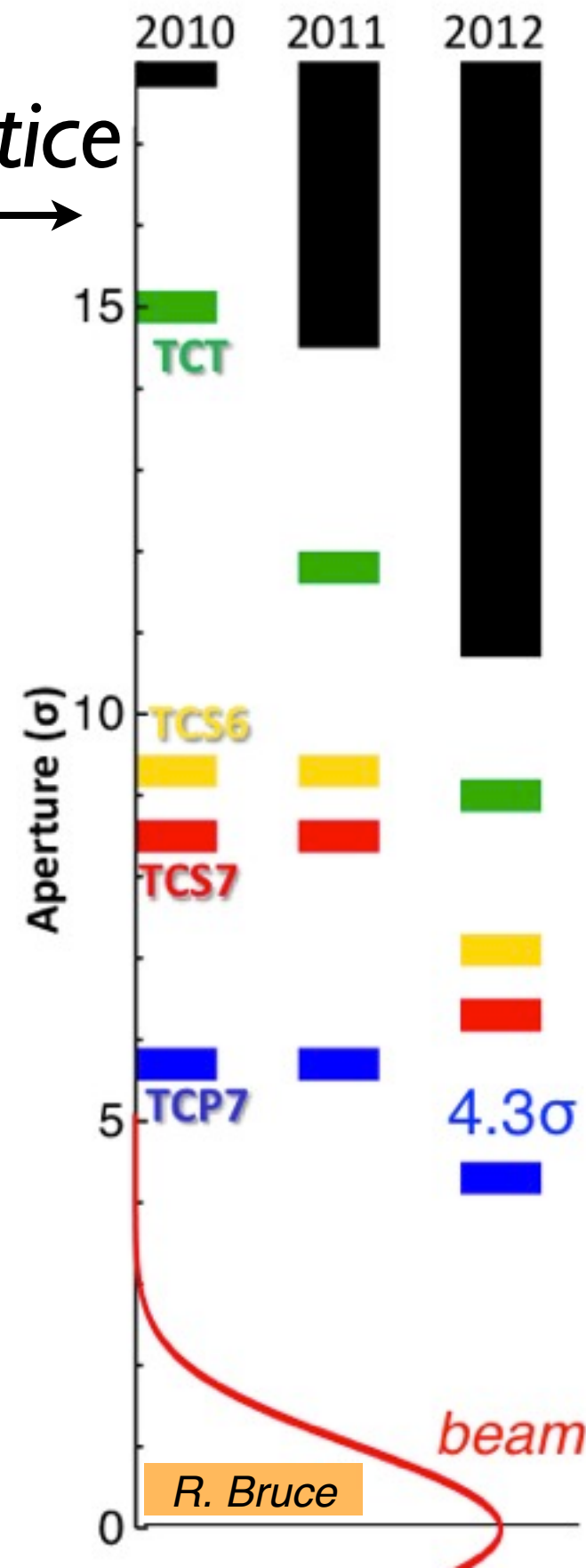


- ☑ Introduction
- ☑ Beam losses and collimation roles
- ☑ Single- and multi-stage cleaning
- ☑ LHC collimation layouts and design
- ☑ **Achieved cleaning performance**
- ☑ Conclusions





*In practice*



- Setting hierarchy was tightened while gaining operational experience and confidence in the machine (optics/orbit stability, lifetime measurements, cleaning requirements, ....)
- Started with “relaxed” settings (easier commissioning, less challenging tolerance), then achieved “tight” settings at 4 TeV equivalent in mm to **design 7 TeV goal!**
- Smaller beta\* in ATLAS and CMS (not subject of this lecture).
- Improve cleaning performance but reduce lifetime in 2012.



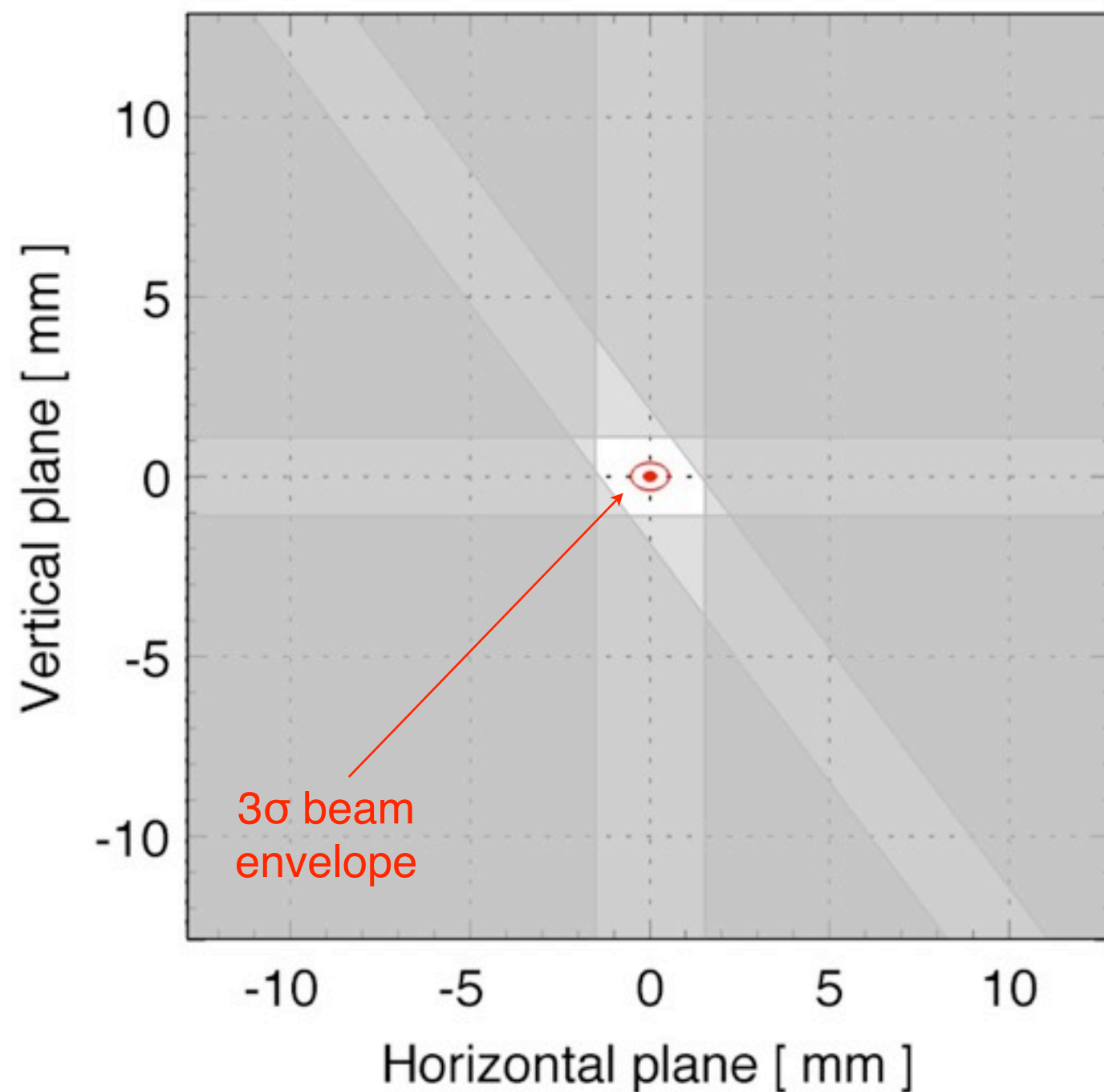


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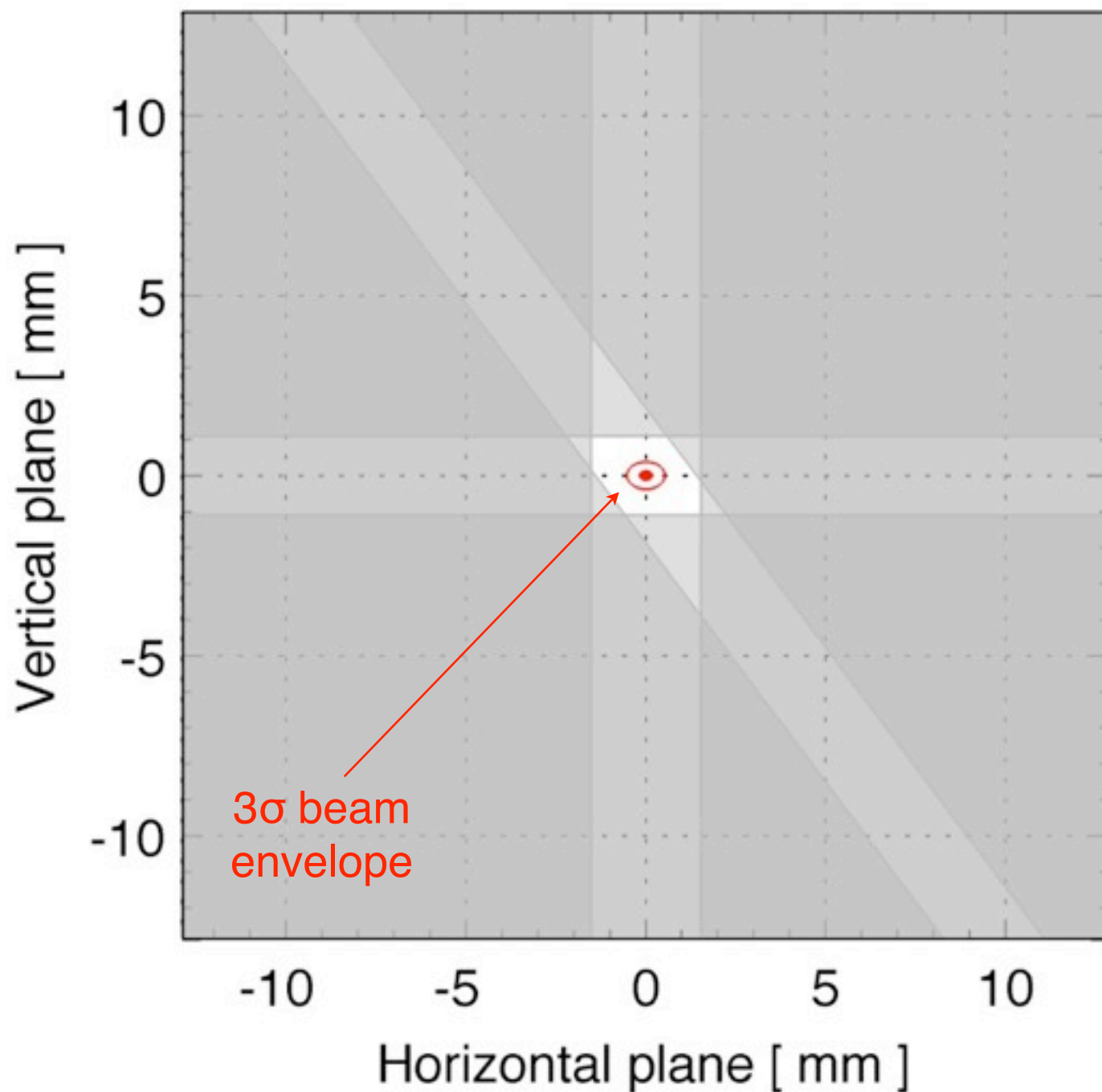
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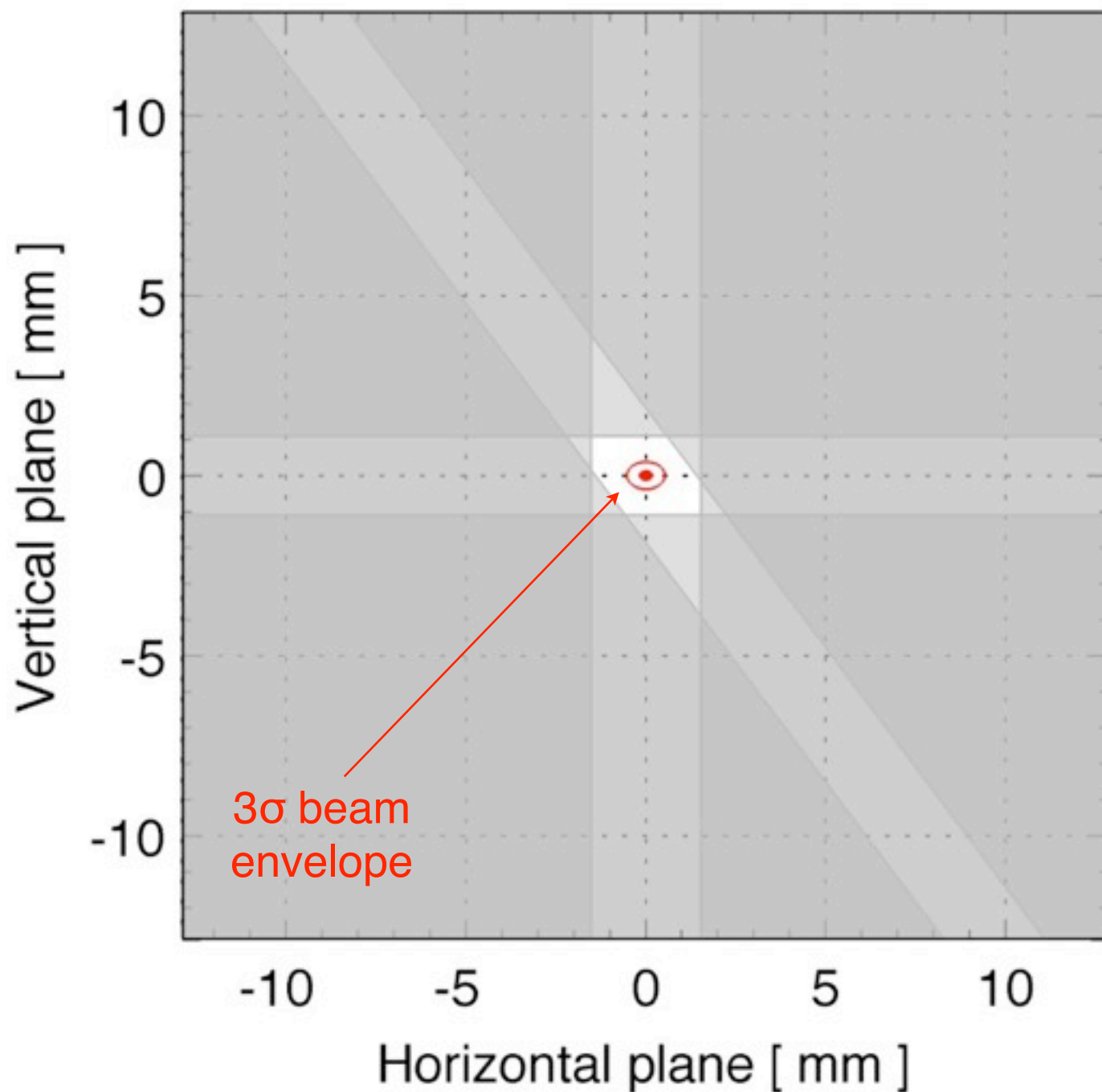
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*A beam carrying up to 150MJ passes more than 11000 per second in such small collimator gaps!*

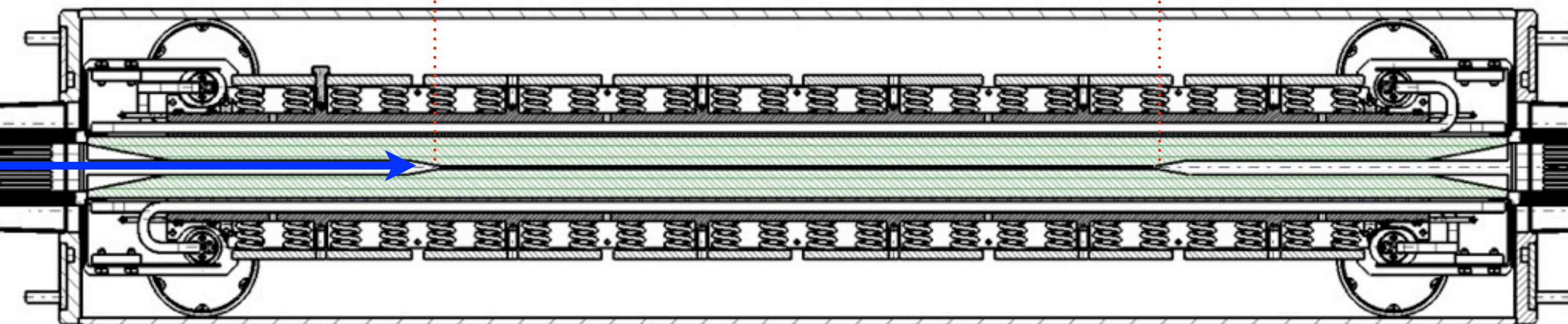


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Beam: RMS beam size  
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60 cm flat active length, gap =  $\pm 1.05$  mm

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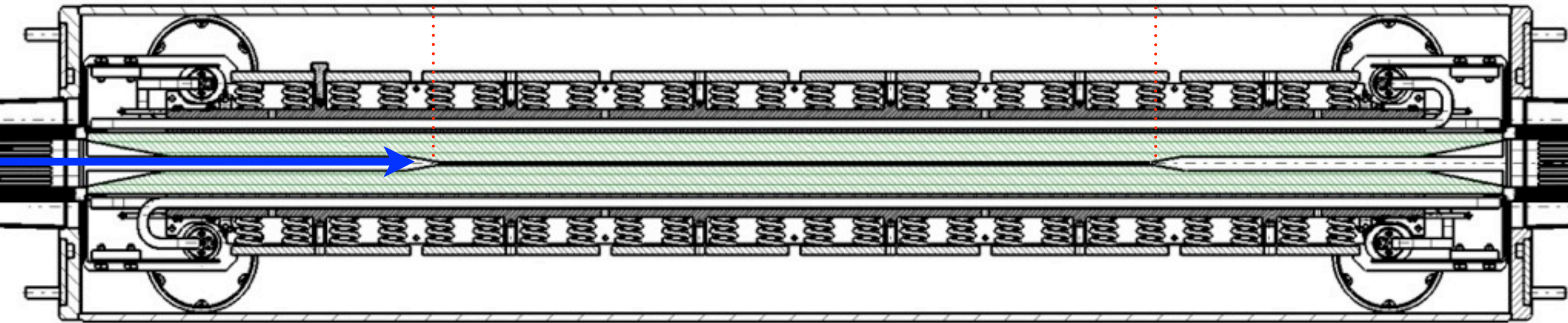
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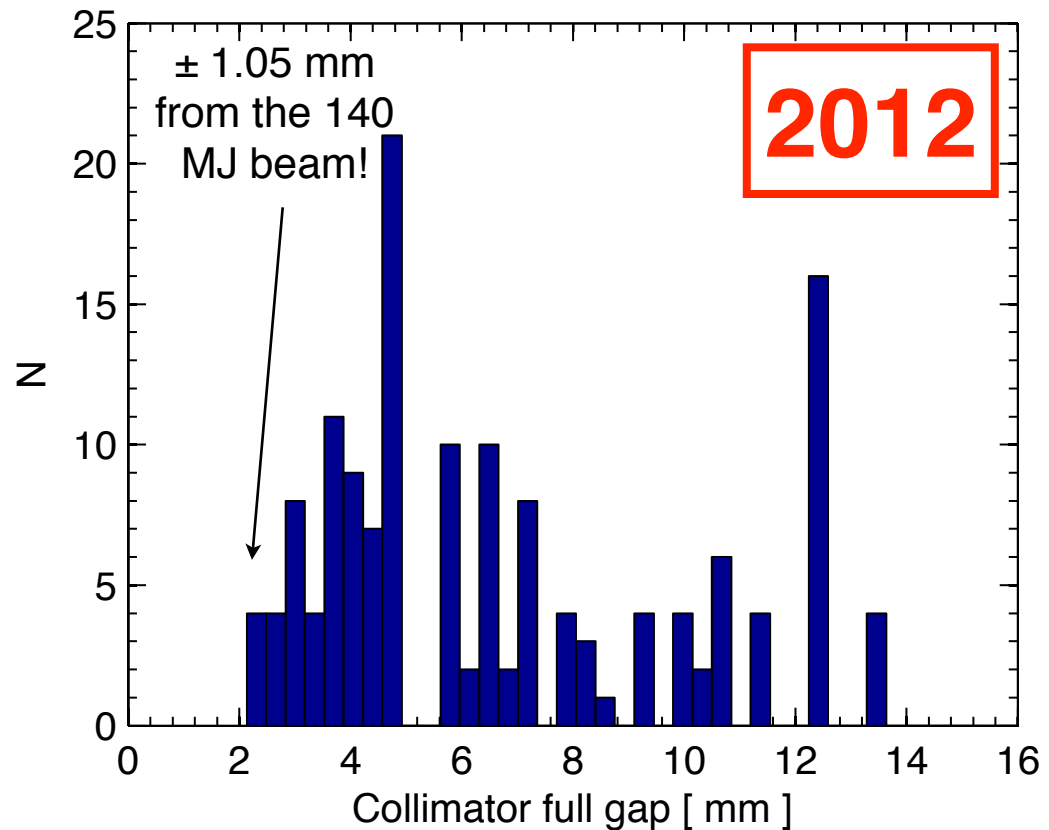
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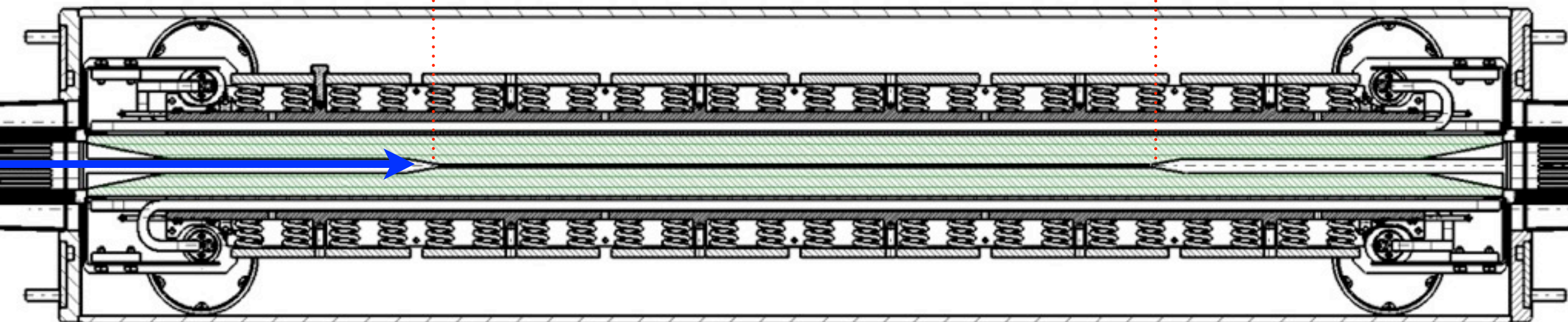


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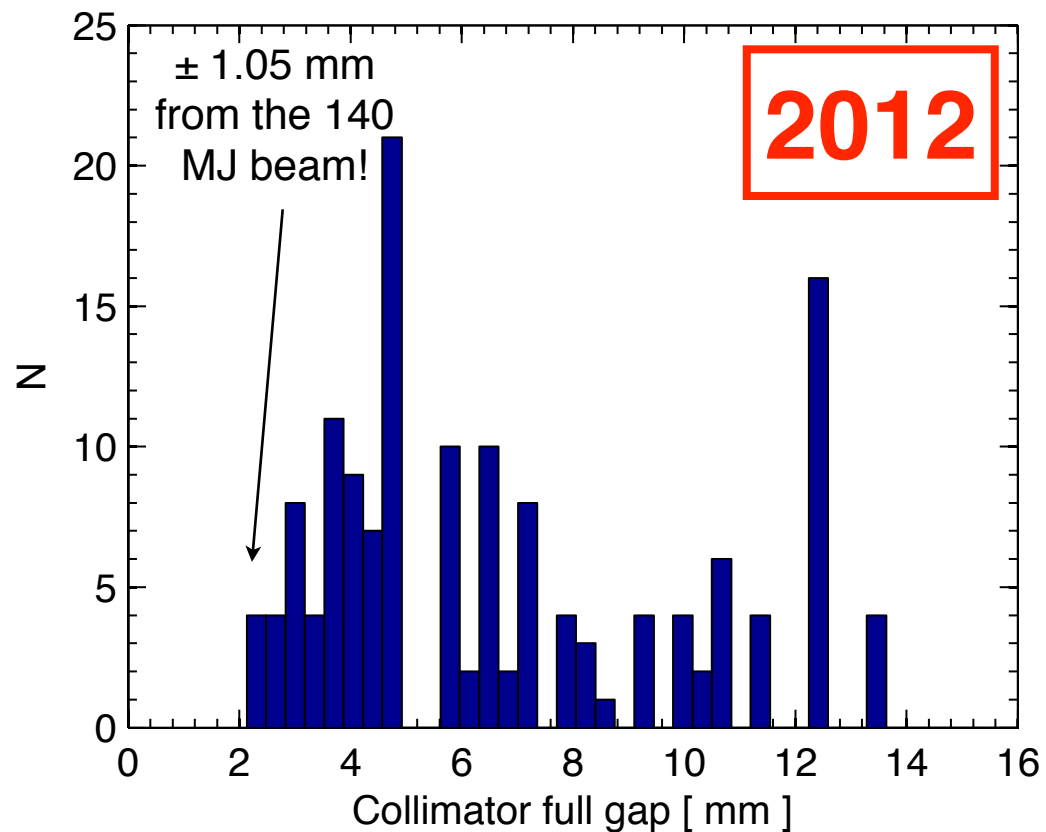
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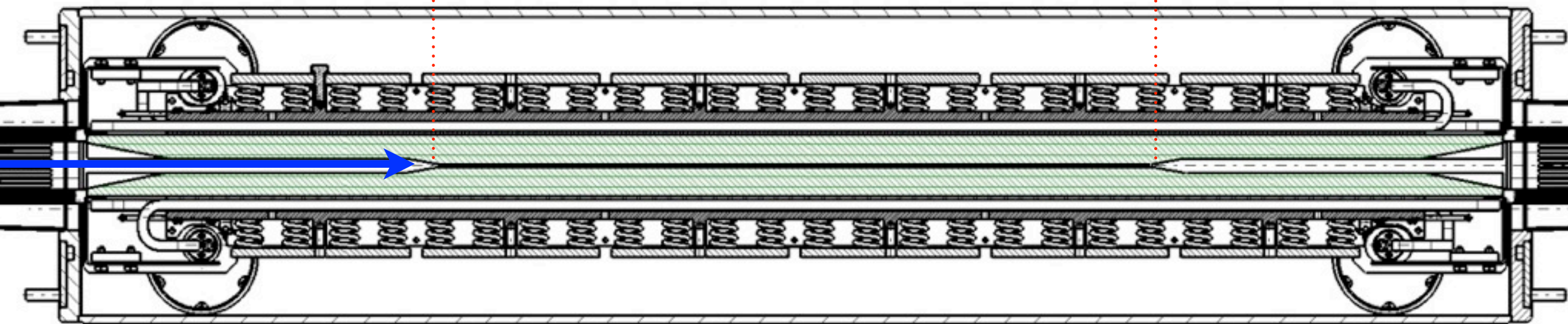
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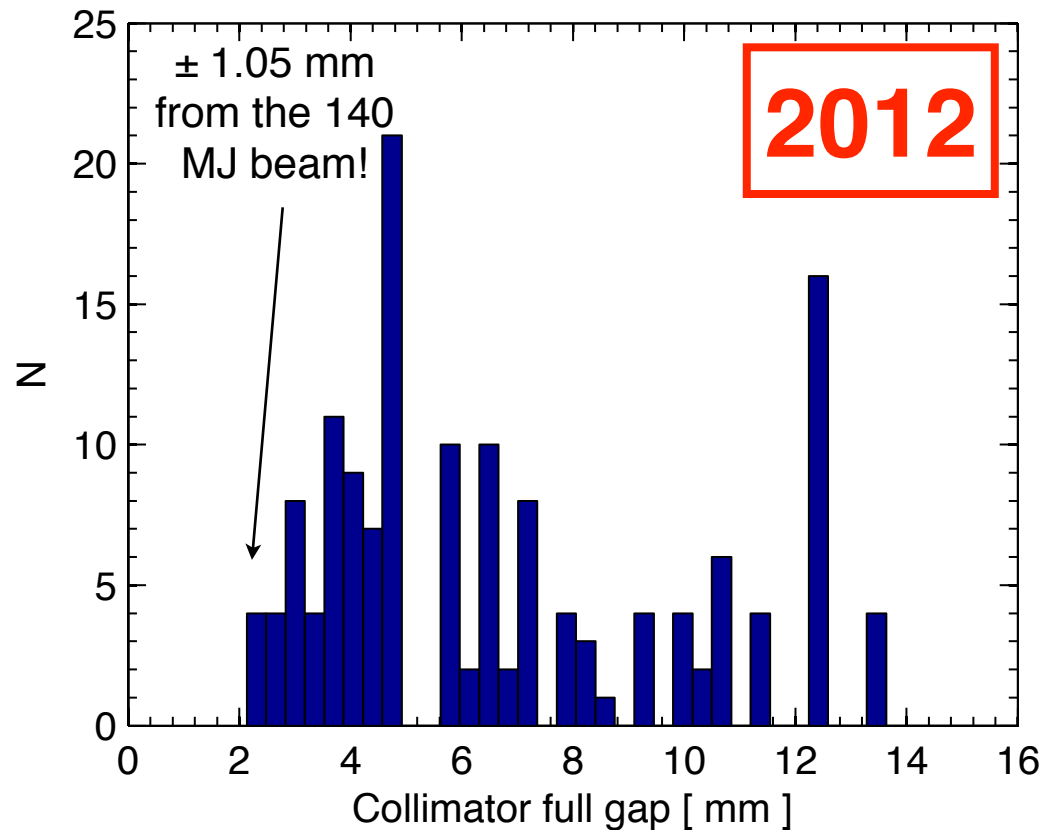
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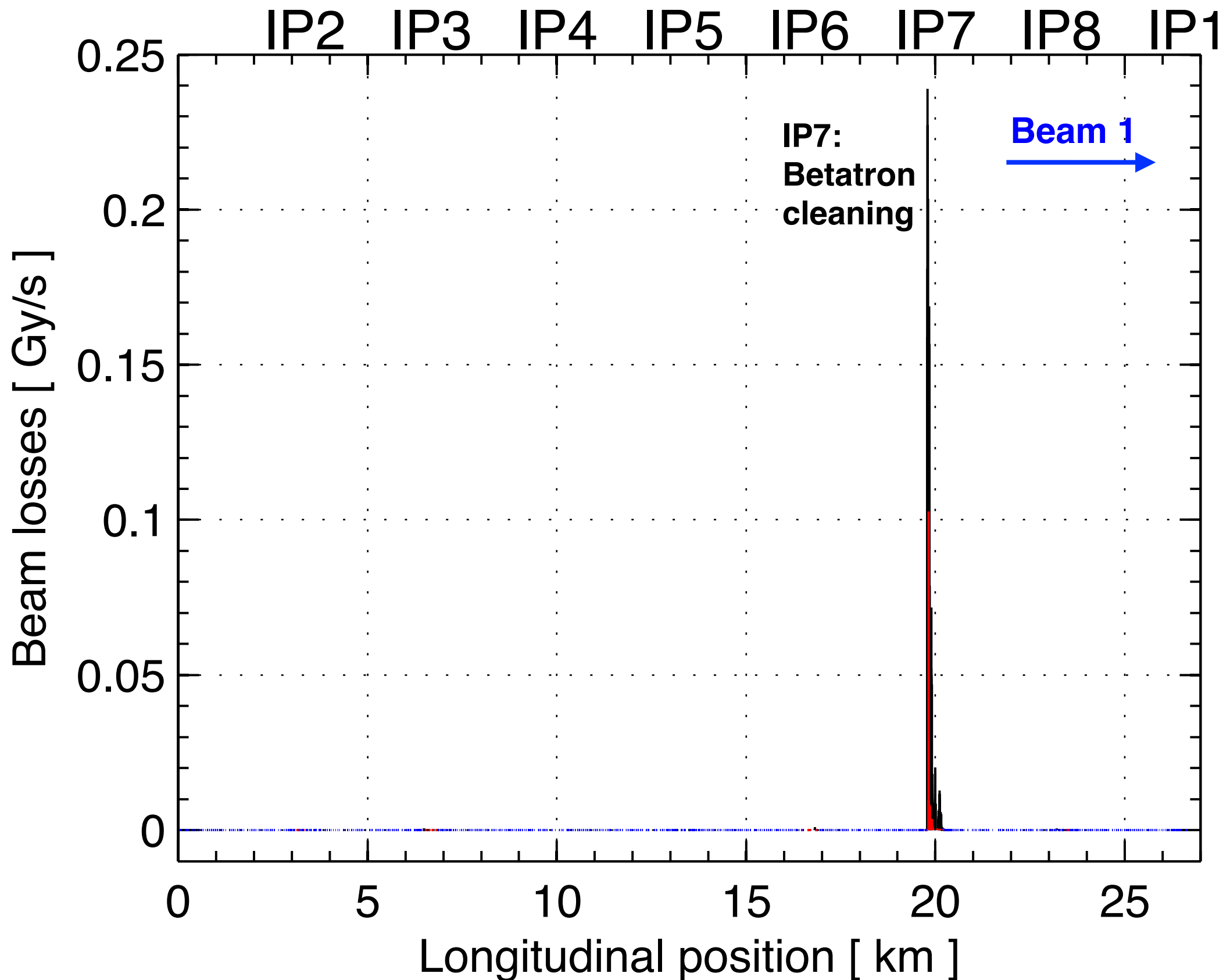




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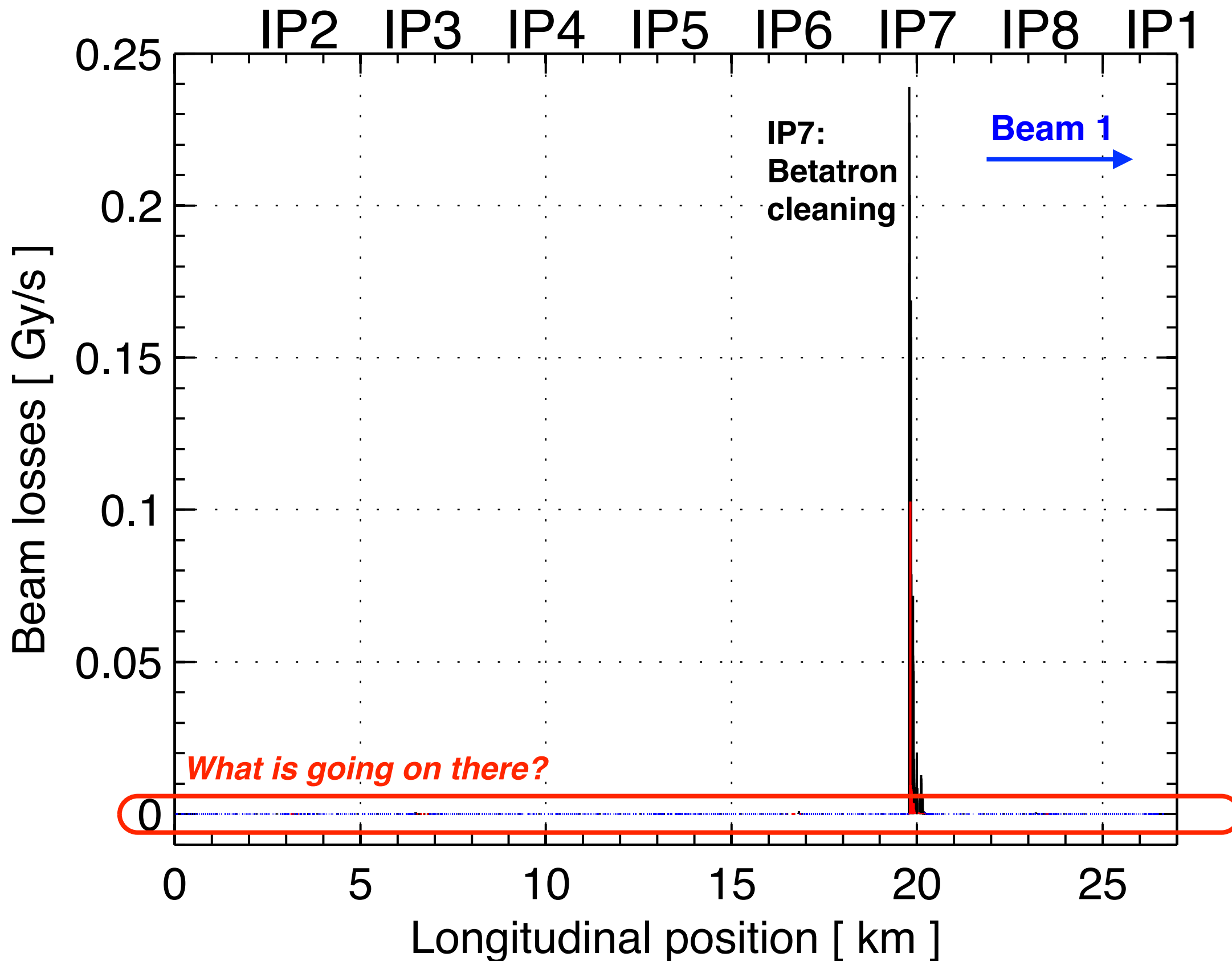
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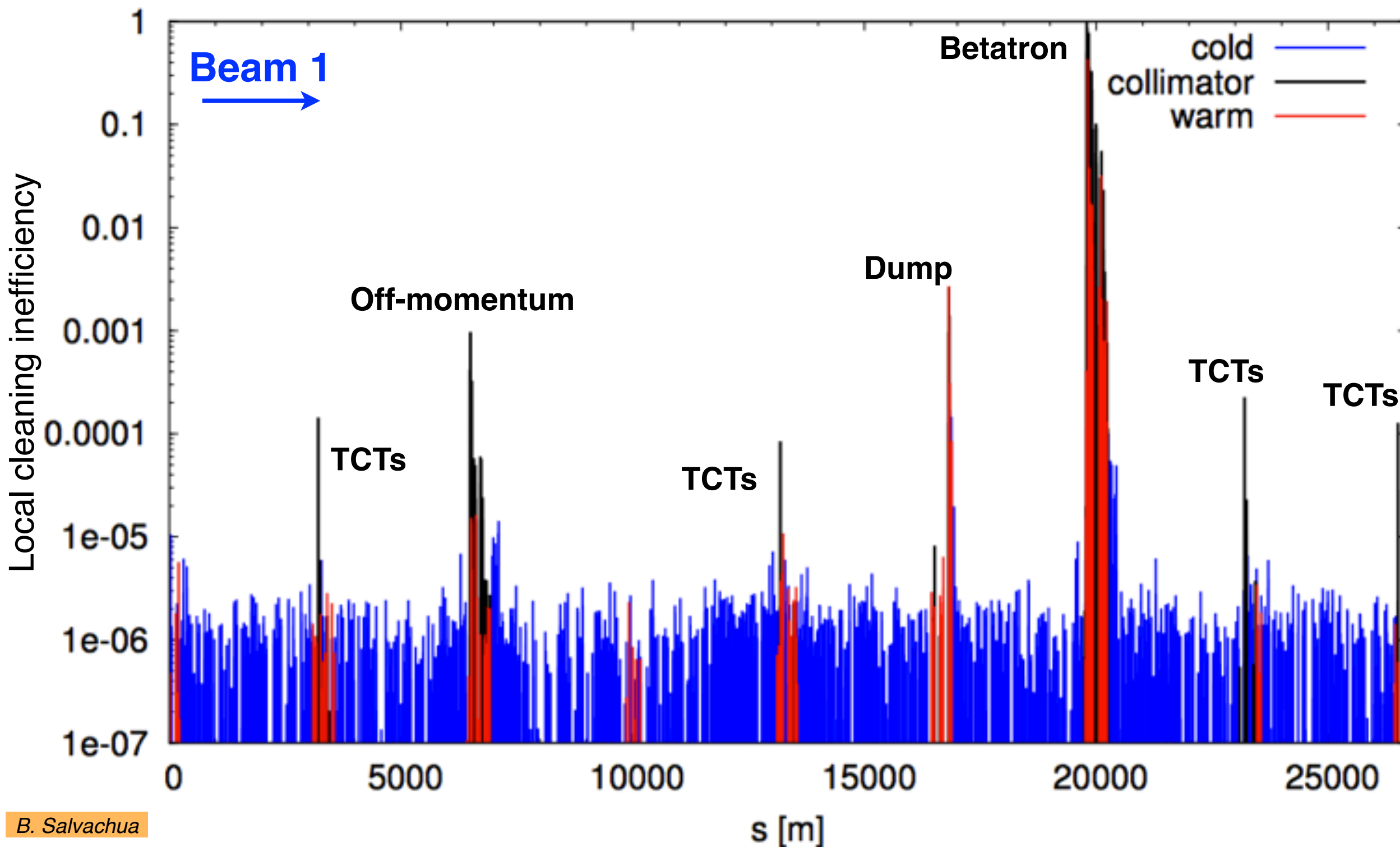
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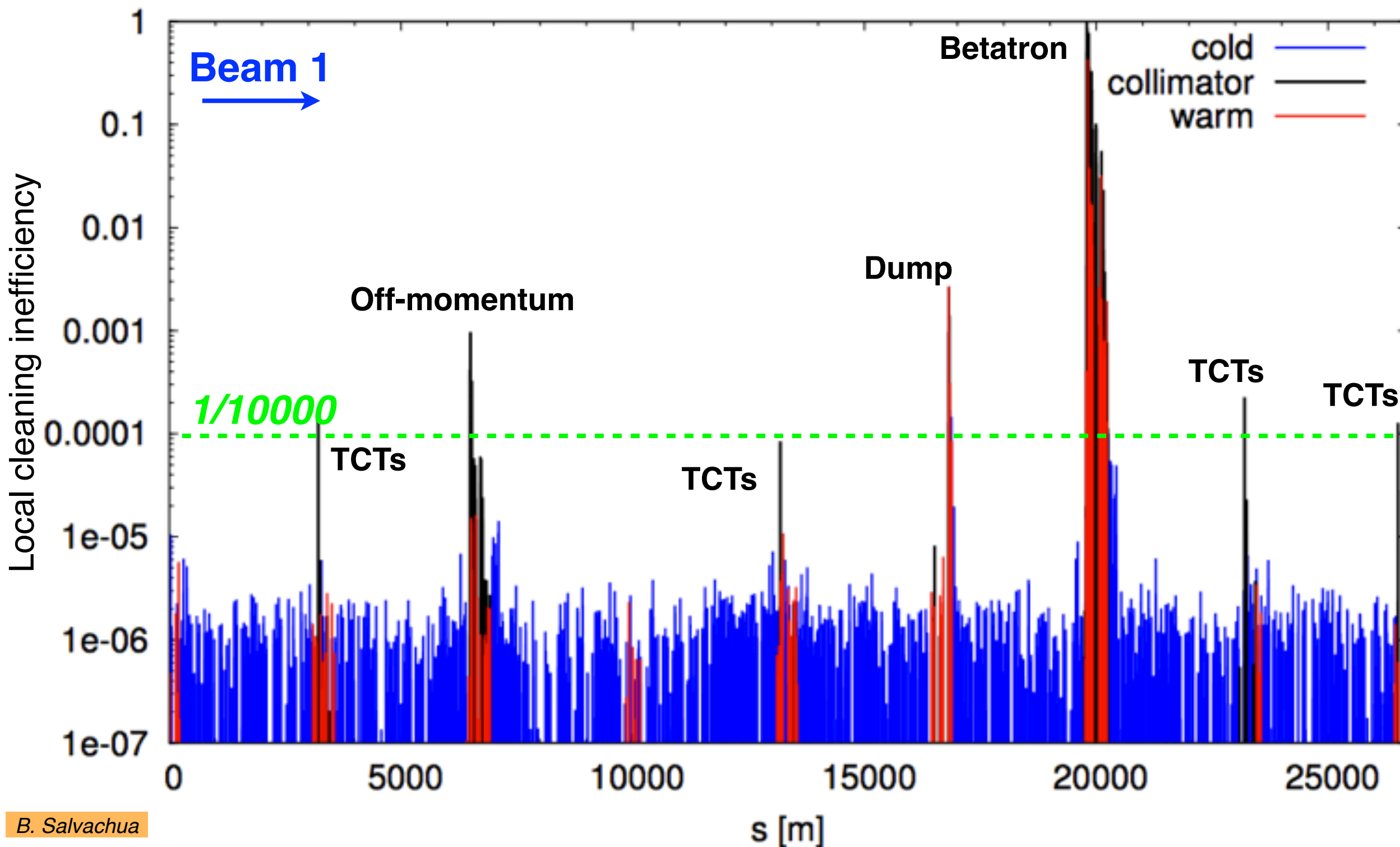
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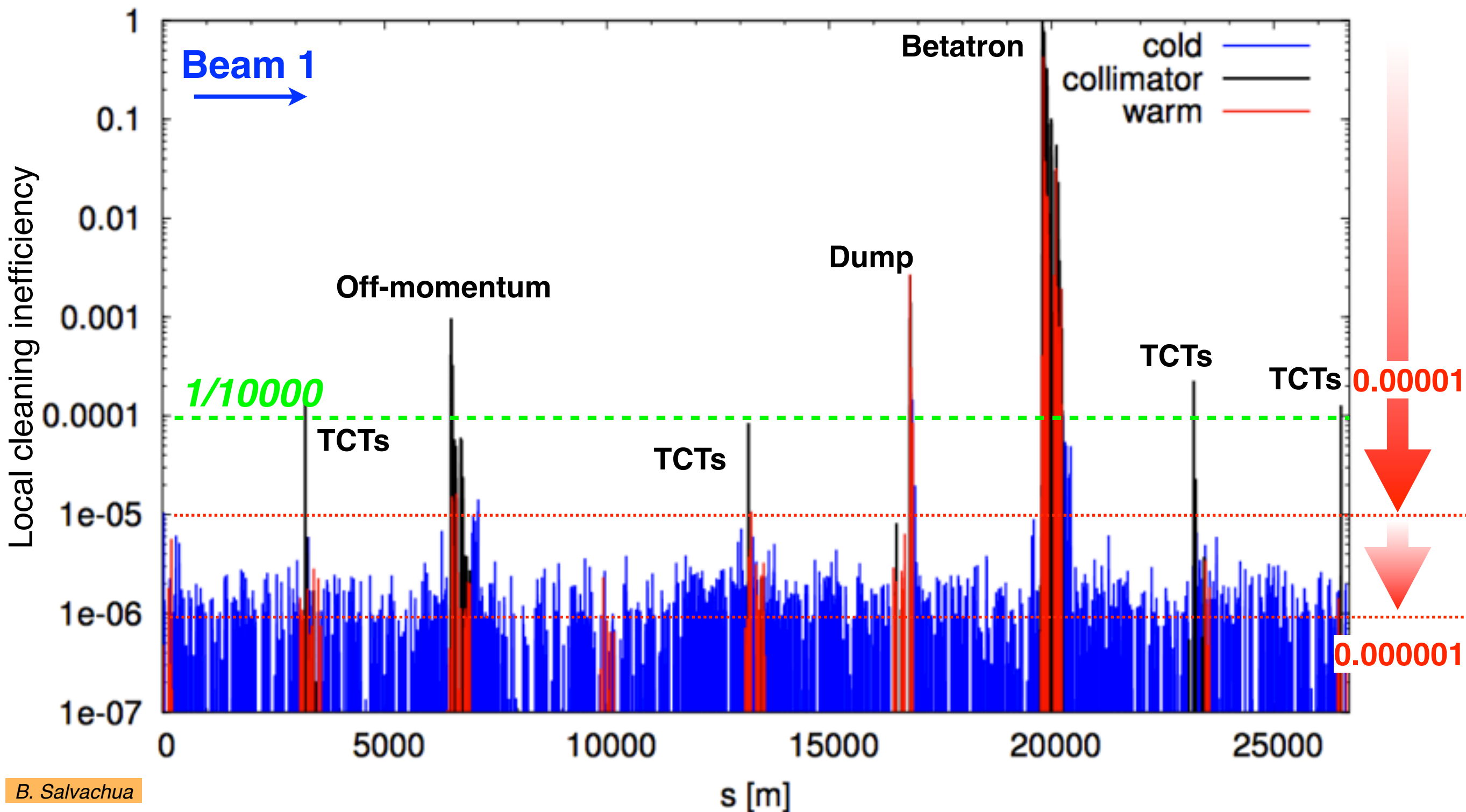


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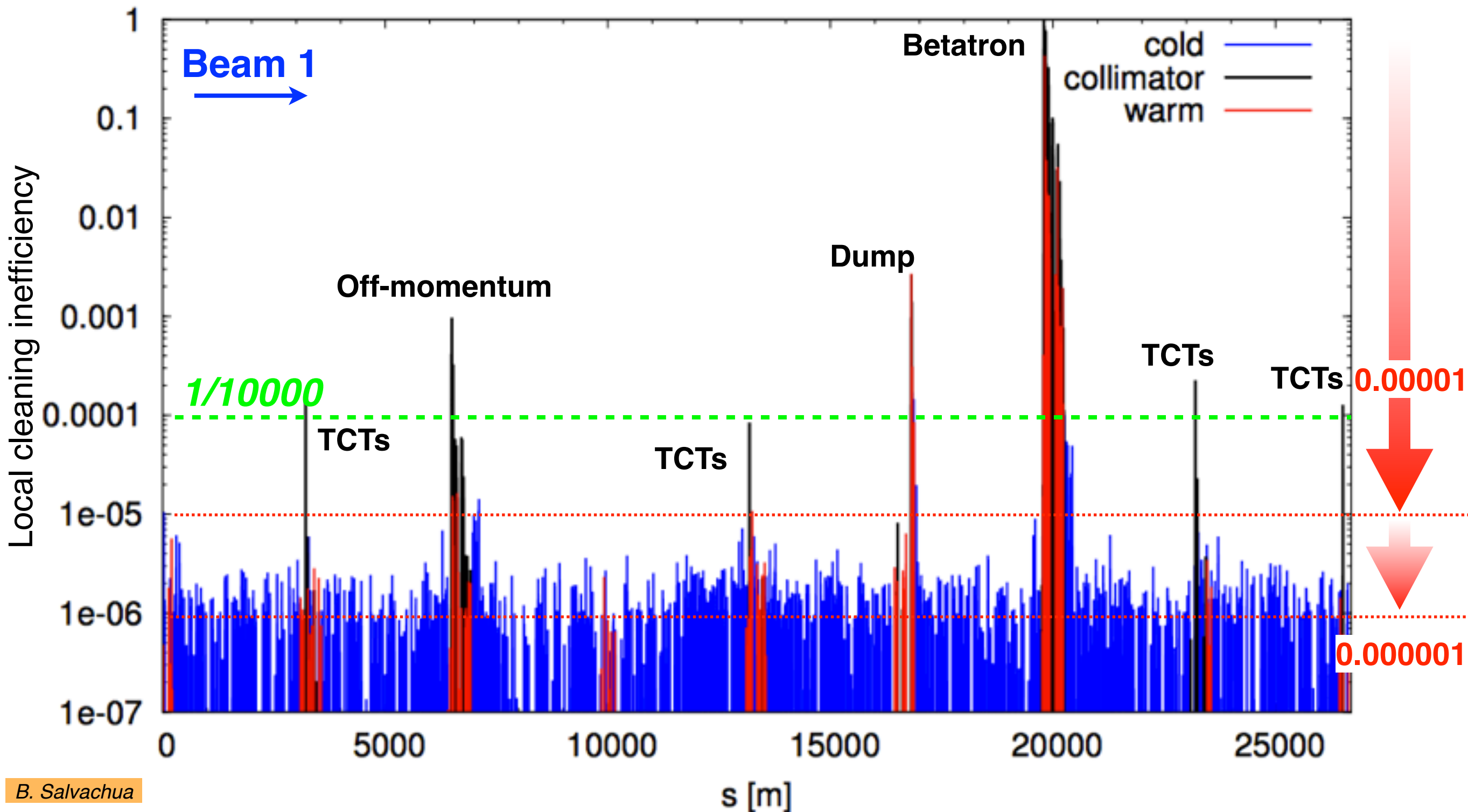


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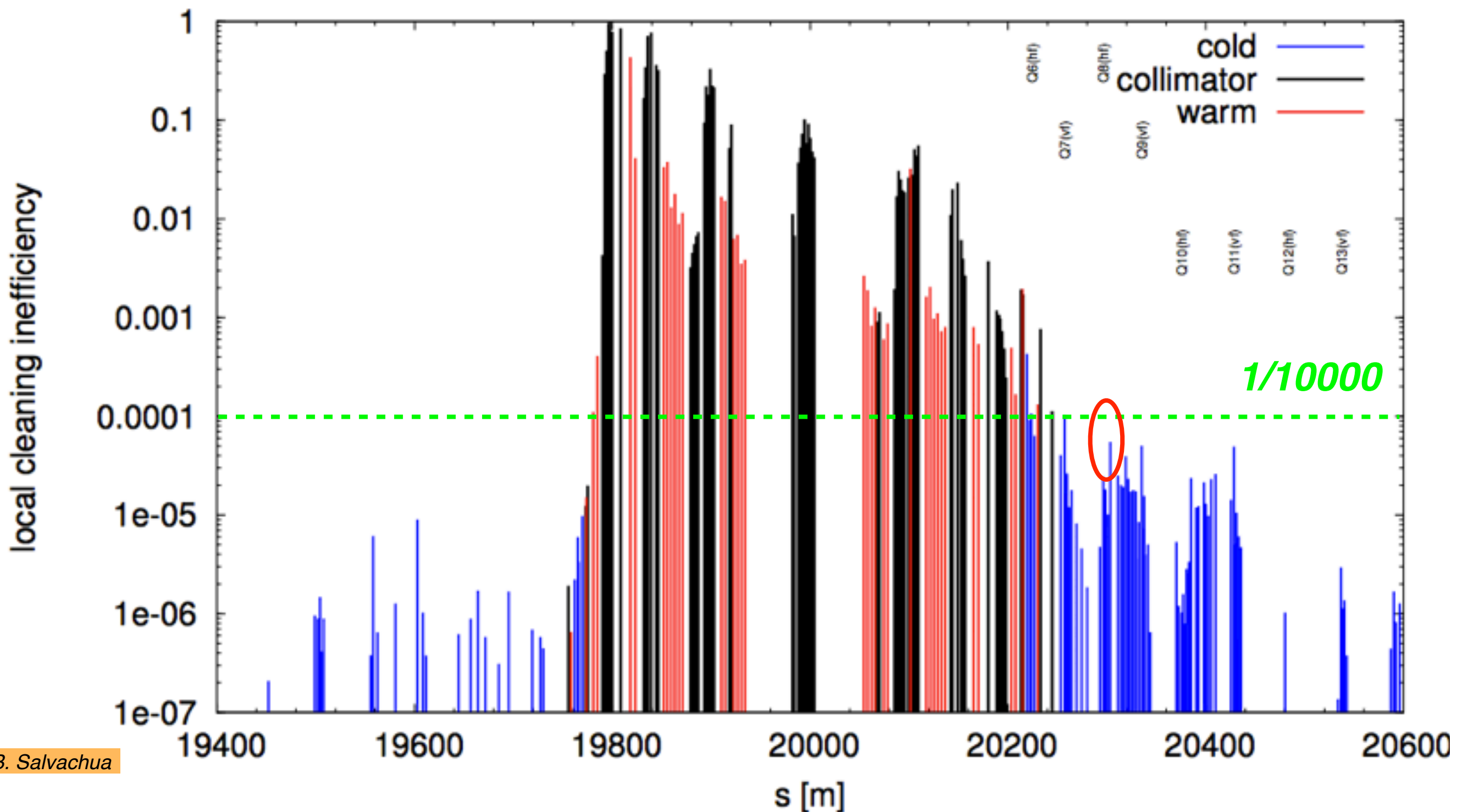
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Highest COLD loss location: efficiency of  $> 99.99\%$  !  
Most of the ring actually  $> 99.999\%$

# Zoom in IR7

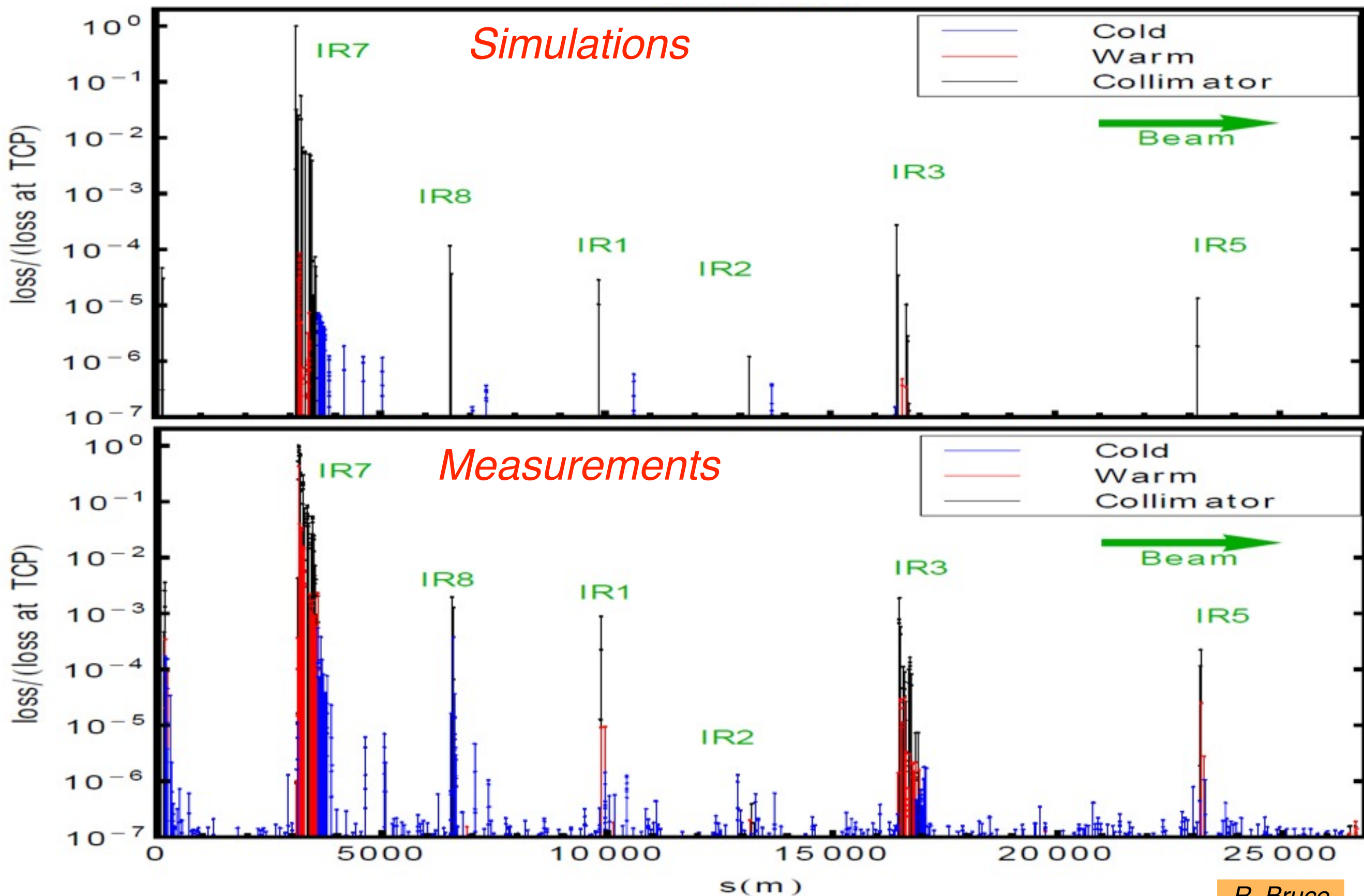


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**Critical location (both beams): losses in the “dispersion suppressor”.**

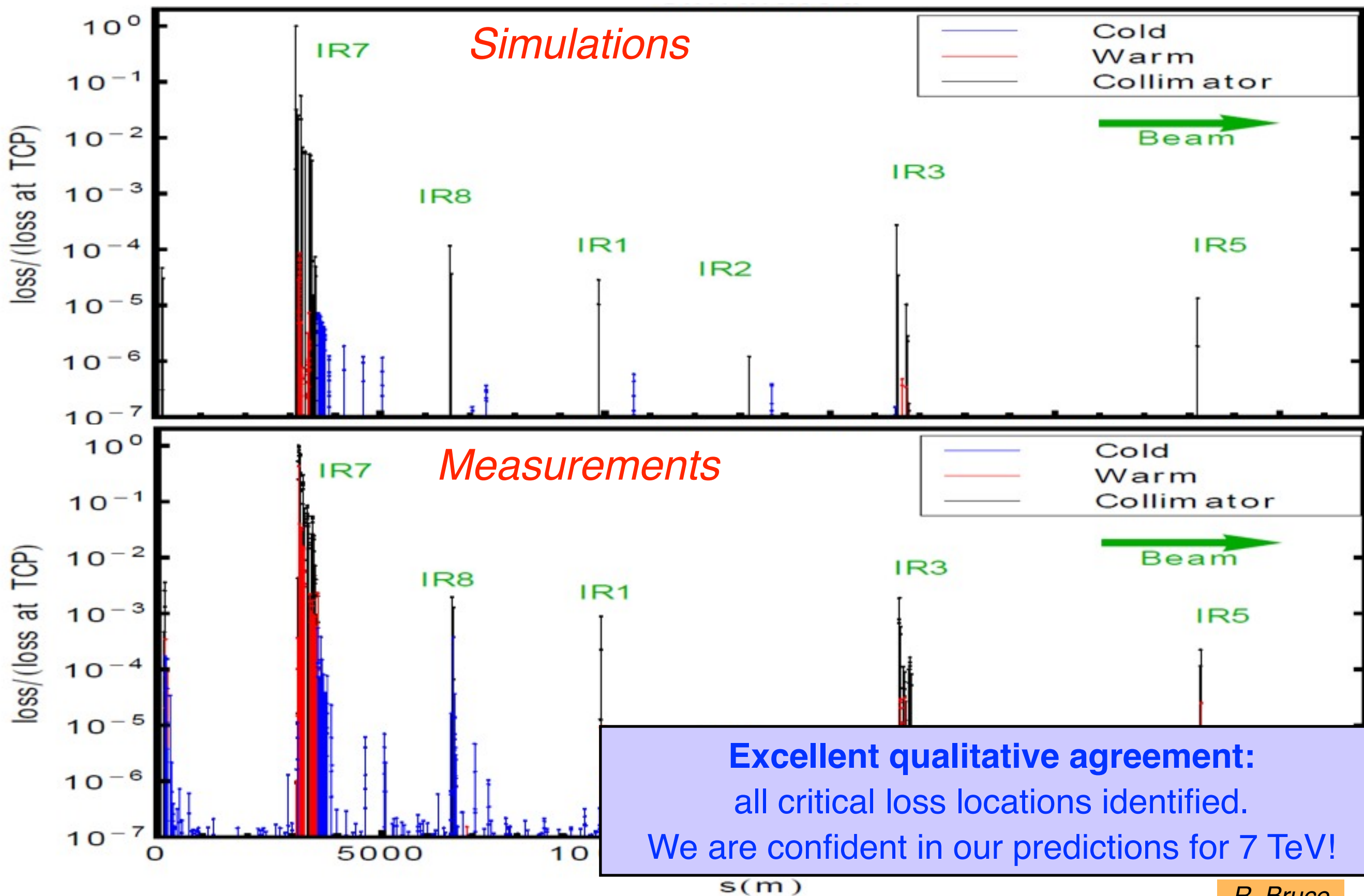
**With “squeezed” beams: tertiary collimators (TCTs) protect locally the triplets.**

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- ☑ The collimation challenges for the LHC were presented.
- ☑ The basic design strategy for collimation systems for high-energy hadron accelerators was reviewed.
- ☑ The present LHC collimation system was presented:
  - solutions to the key design constraints and challenges;
  - tunnel layouts for a complex multi-stage system;
  - collimator design main features.
- ☑ The main performance achievements during the LHC Run1 in 2010-12 were also discussed.
- ☑ We are looking forward to collimating the  $\sim 7$  TeV LHC beams in 2015!



# Collimation matters not covered here



## ☑ Collimation in other CERN machines

*LHC taken as case study because the complexity of its collimation system cover all the collimation design goals.*

## ☑ Role of energy deposition studies in collimation system design

## ☑ Material science related to collimators and advanced designs

*Robustness versus impedance*

*New material development to handle higher energy/brightness beams*

## ☑ Collimator technology and handling for high radiation environment.

*Optimized design and components to keep high performance with high doses.*

## ☑ Physics debris collimation and IR losses

## ☑ Collimation upgrade plans for the High Luminosity (HL) LHC era.

## ☑ Advanced collimation concepts:

*Collimator in cold regions, Hollow e-lenses as halo control devices, crystal collimation...*