

Cyclotrons - II

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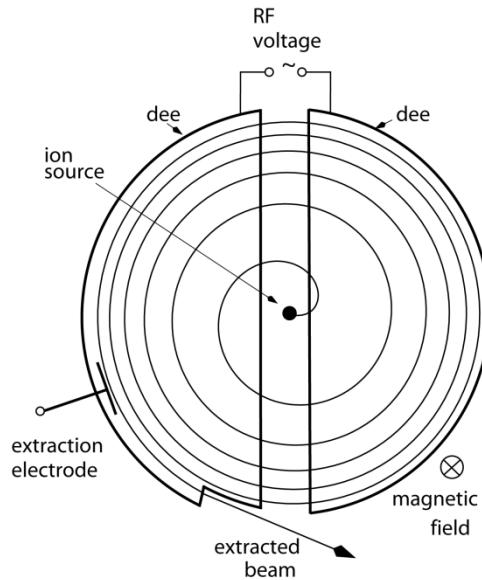
Cyclotrons II - Outline

- brief review of the previous lesson
- cyclotron subsystems
 - Injection/extraction schemes, RF systems/resonators, magnets, vacuum issues, instrumentation**
- applications and examples of existing cyclotrons
 - TRIUMF, RIKEN SRC, PSI Ring, PSI medical cyclotron**
- discussion
 - classification of circular accelerators, cyclotron vs. FFAG, Pro's and Con's of cyclotrons for different applications**



review of Cyclotrons-I

classical cyclotron

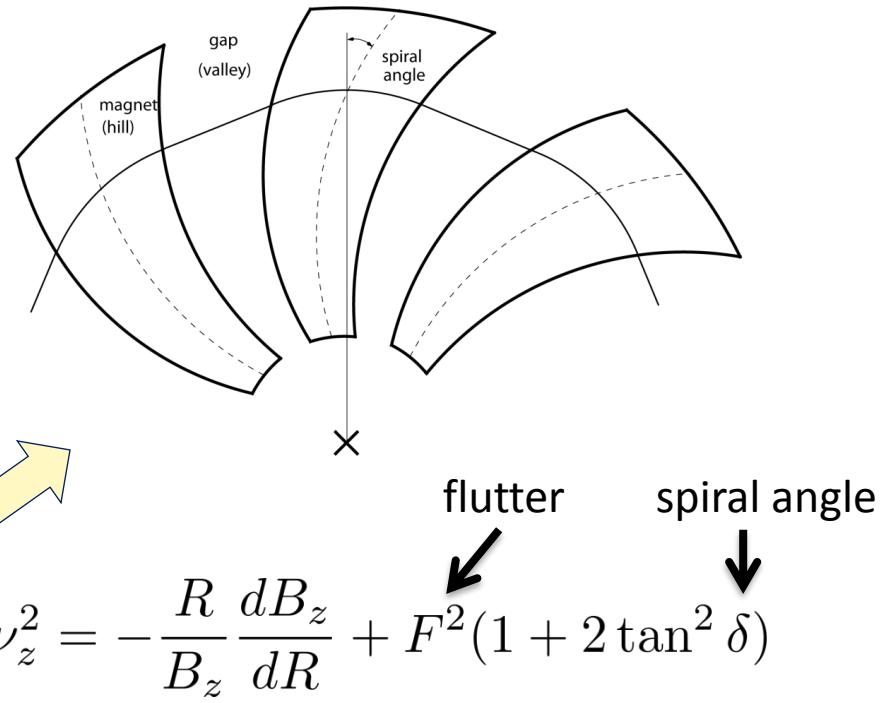


- simplicity, compactness
- continuous injection/extraction
- multiple usage of accelerating voltage

but:

- insufficient vertical focusing
- limited energy reach

sector cyclotron



$$\nu_z^2 = -\frac{R}{B_z} \frac{dB_z}{dR} + F^2(1 + 2 \tan^2 \delta)$$



next: injection & extraction

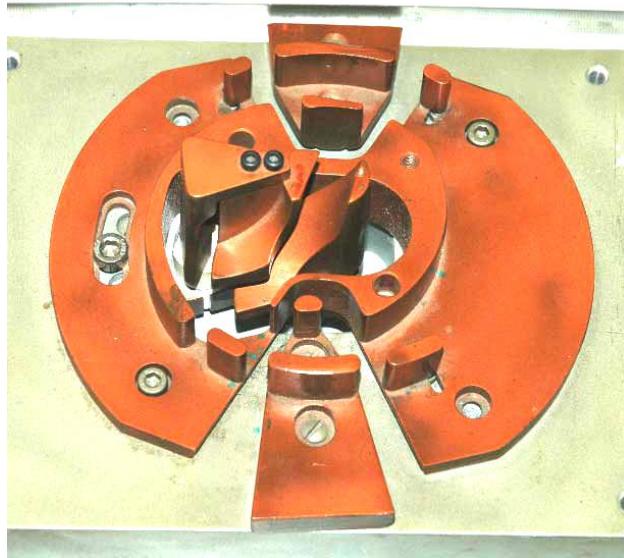
- spiral inflector, internal source, electrostatic deflectors, stripping



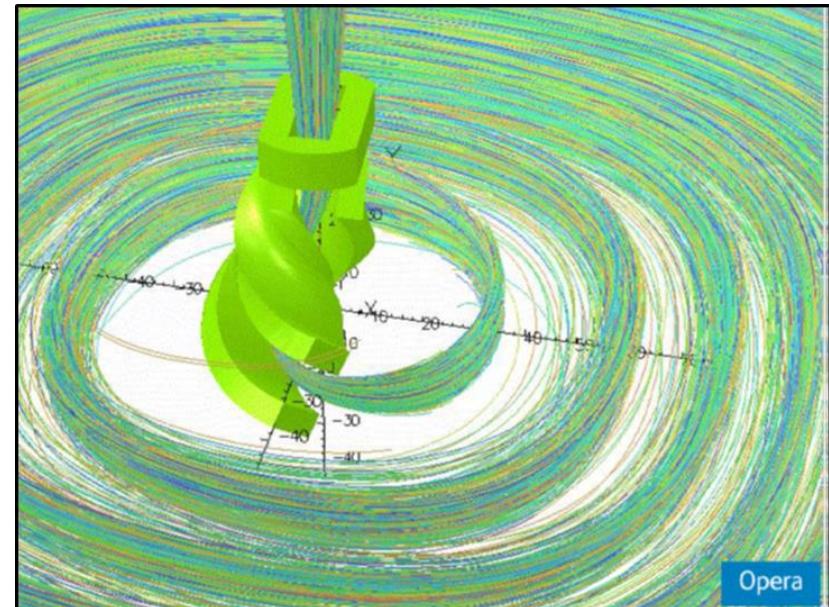
injection schemes – spiral inflector

- an electrostatic component,
basically a capacitor
- E-field arranged perpendicular to
orbit, particles move on
equipotential surfaces

simulation of orbits injected
through a spiral inflector



[inflector IBA Cyclone 30 cyclotron]

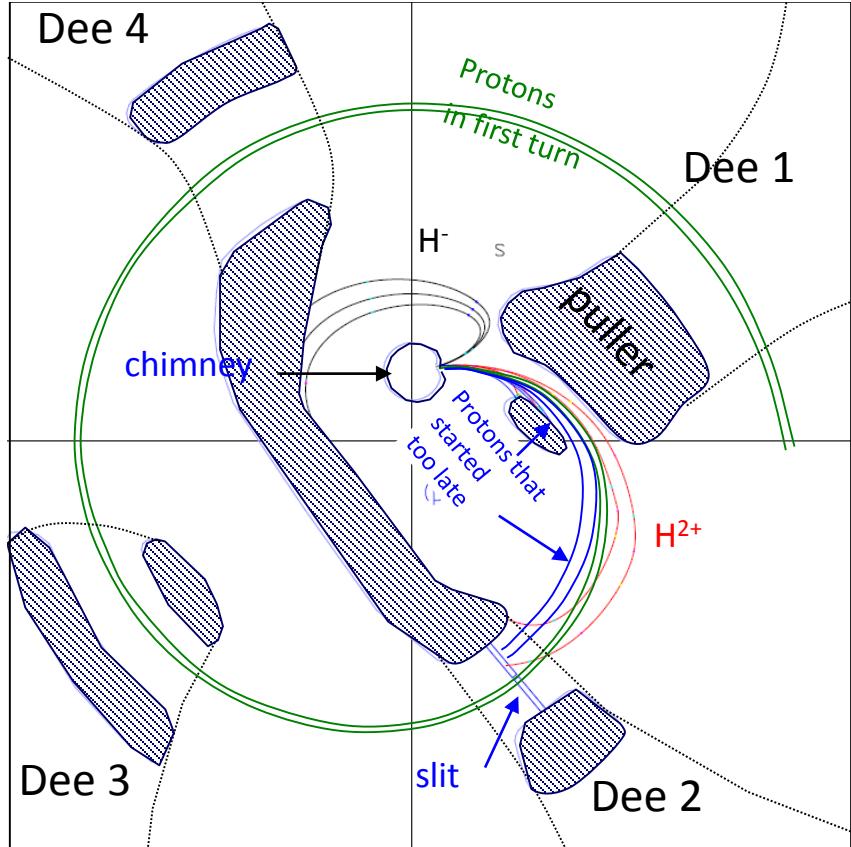


[courtesy: W.Kleeven (IBA)]



internal ion source

→ example COMET



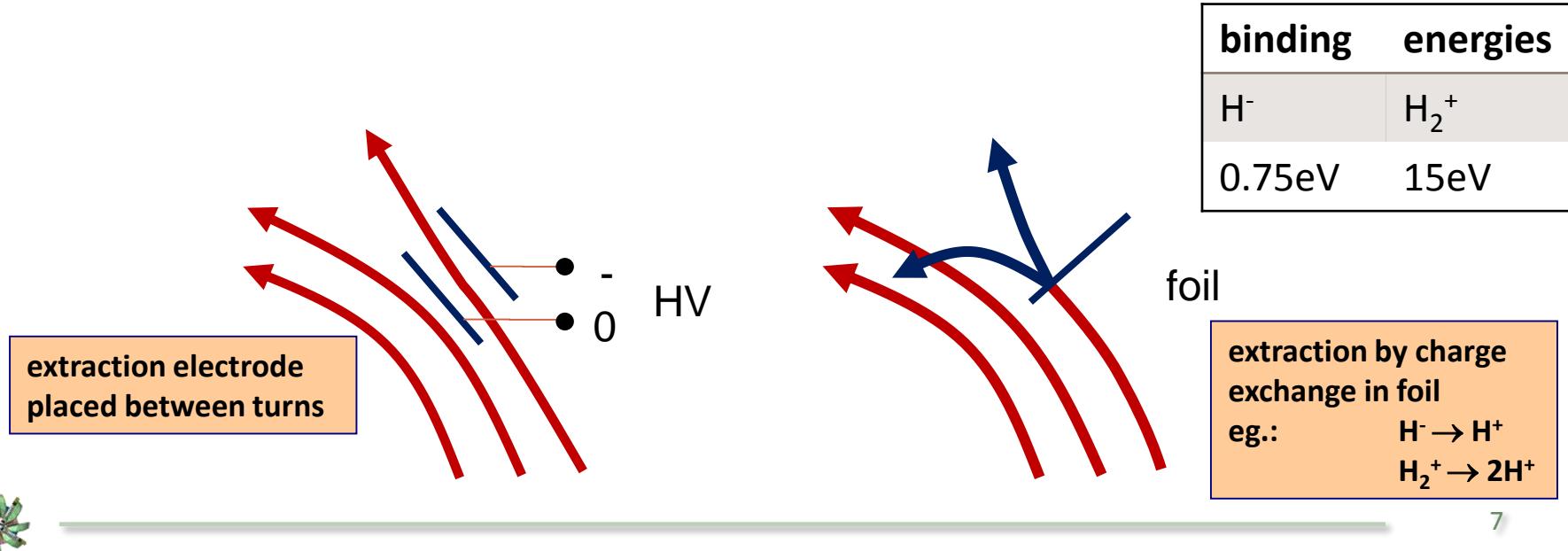
- Hydrogen is injected and ionized through chimney
- first acceleration by puller, connected to one Dee (80kV)

chimney
= ion source
deflector
electrode
for intensity
regulation

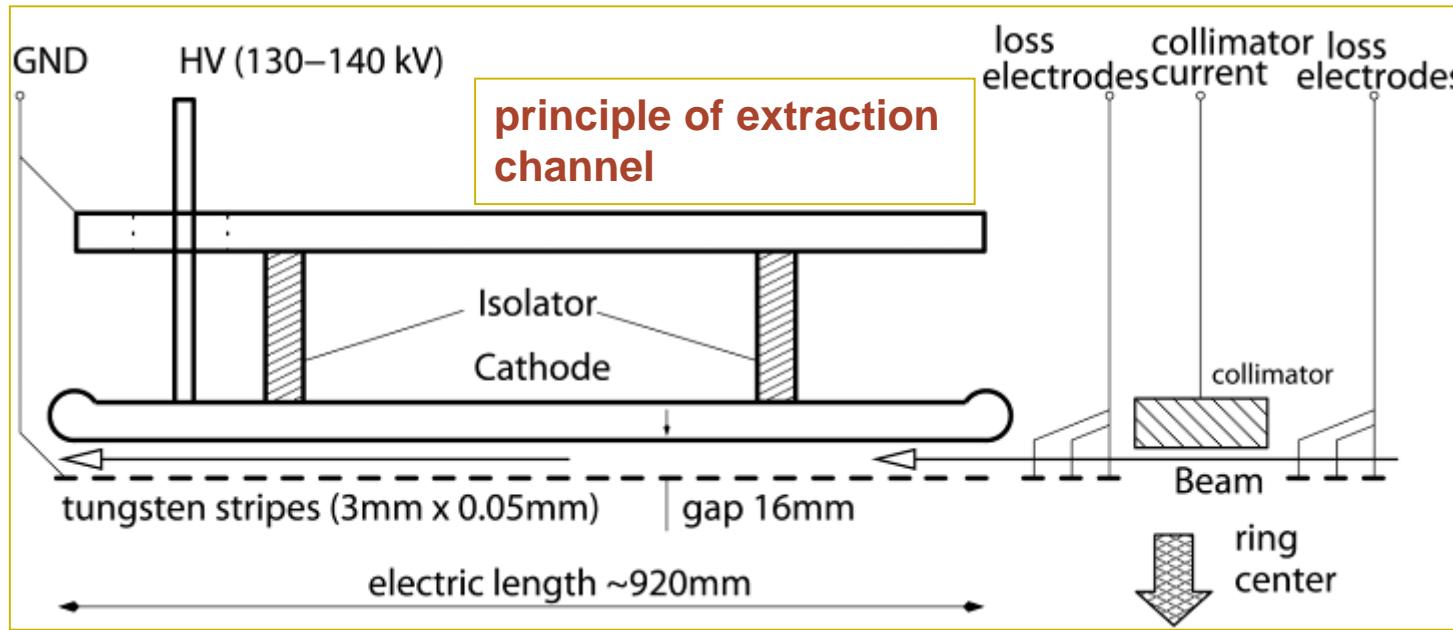


electrostatic septum and charge exchange extraction

- deflecting element should affect just one turn, not neighboured turn → critical, cause of losses
- often used: electrostatic deflectors with thin electrodes
- alternative: charge exchange, stripping foil; accelerate H^- or H_2^+ to extract protons (problem: significant probability for unwanted loss of electron; Lorentz dissociation: B-field low, scattering: vacuum 10^{-8} mbar)



injection/extraction with electrostatic elements



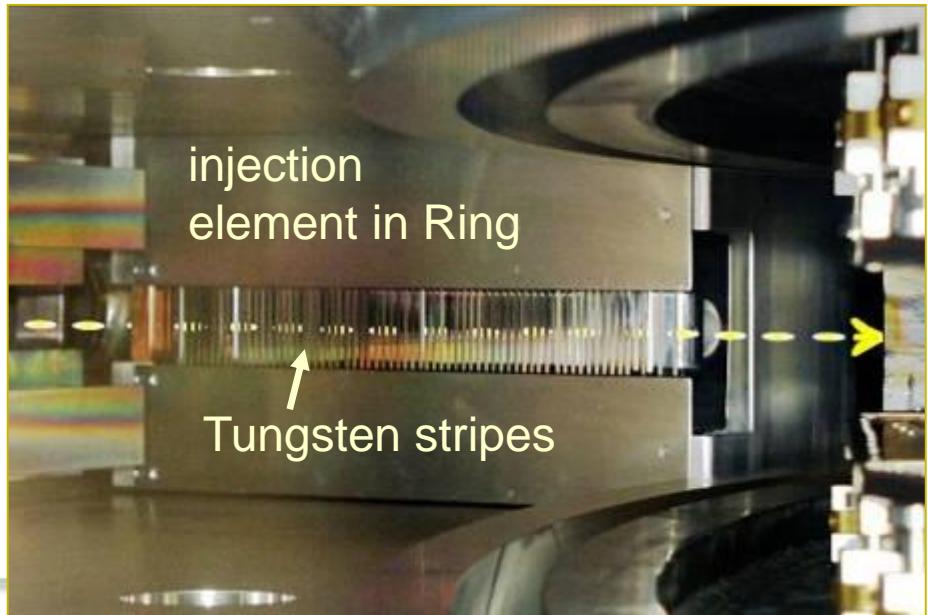
parameters
extraction chan.:

$E_k = 590\text{MeV}$
 $E = 8.8 \text{ MV/m}$
 $\theta = 8.2 \text{ mrad}$
 $\rho = 115 \text{ m}$
 $U = 144 \text{ kV}$

major loss mechanism is scattering in $50\mu\text{m}$ electrode!

electrostatic rigidity:

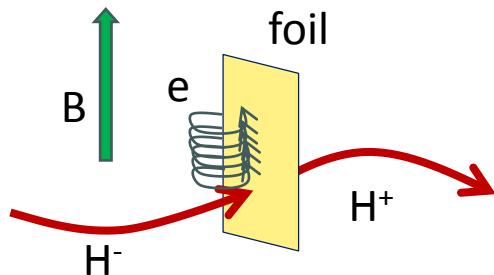
$$E\rho = \frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma} \frac{E_k}{q}$$



extraction foil

- thin foil, for example carbon, removes the electron(s) with high probability
- new charge state of ion brings it on a new trajectory → separation from circulating beam
- lifetime of foil is critical due to heating, fatigue effects, radiation damage
- conversion efficiencies, e.g. generation of neutrals, must be considered carefully

electrons removed from the ions spiral in the magnetic field and may deposit energy in the foil



How much power is carried by the electrons?

→ velocity and thus γ are equal for p and e

$$E_k = (\gamma - 1)E_0$$

$$\rightarrow E_k^e = \frac{E_0^e}{E_0^p} E_k^p = 5.4 \cdot 10^{-4} E_k^p$$

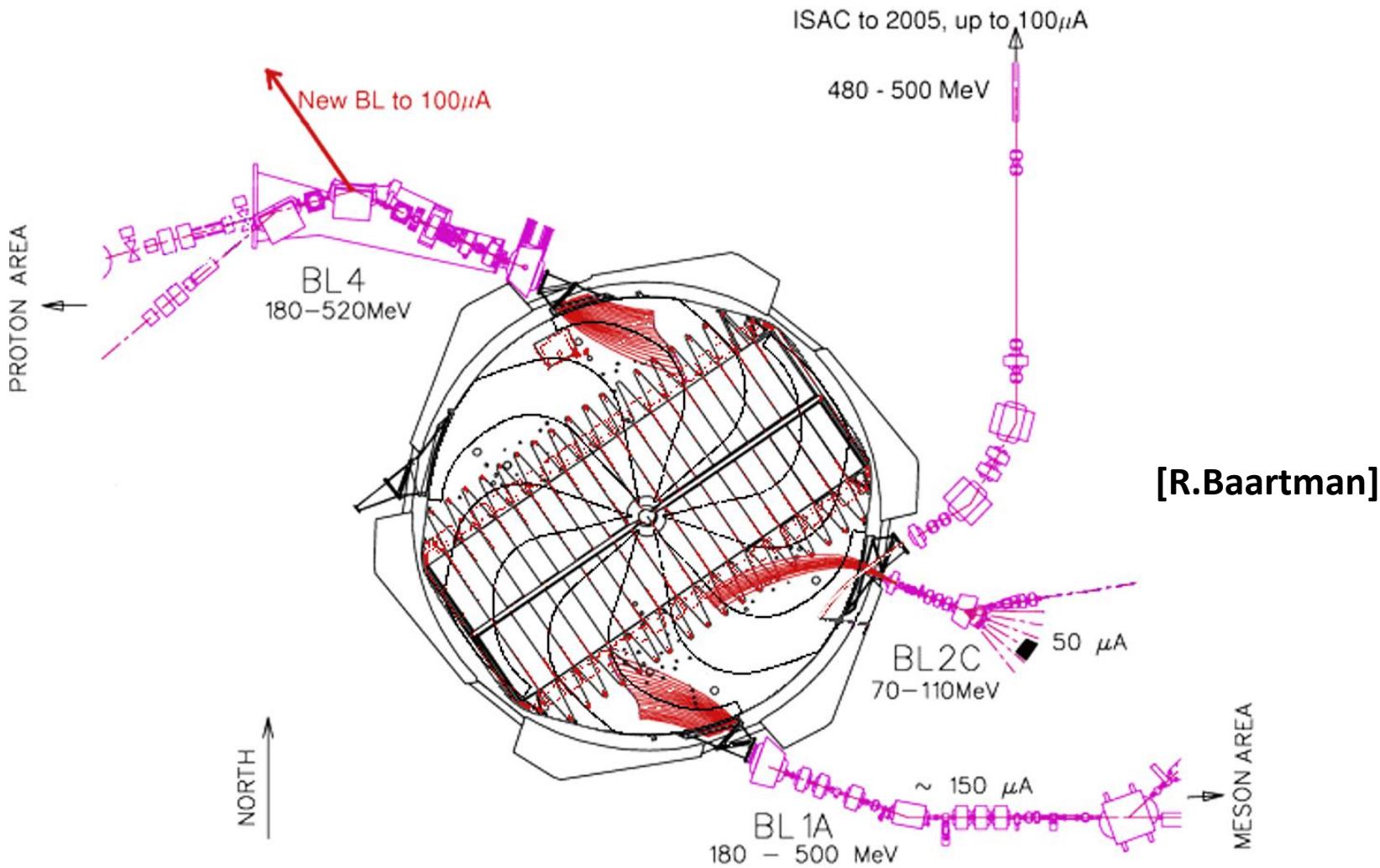
Bending radius of electrons?

$$\rho^e = \frac{E_0^e}{E_0^p} \rho^p$$

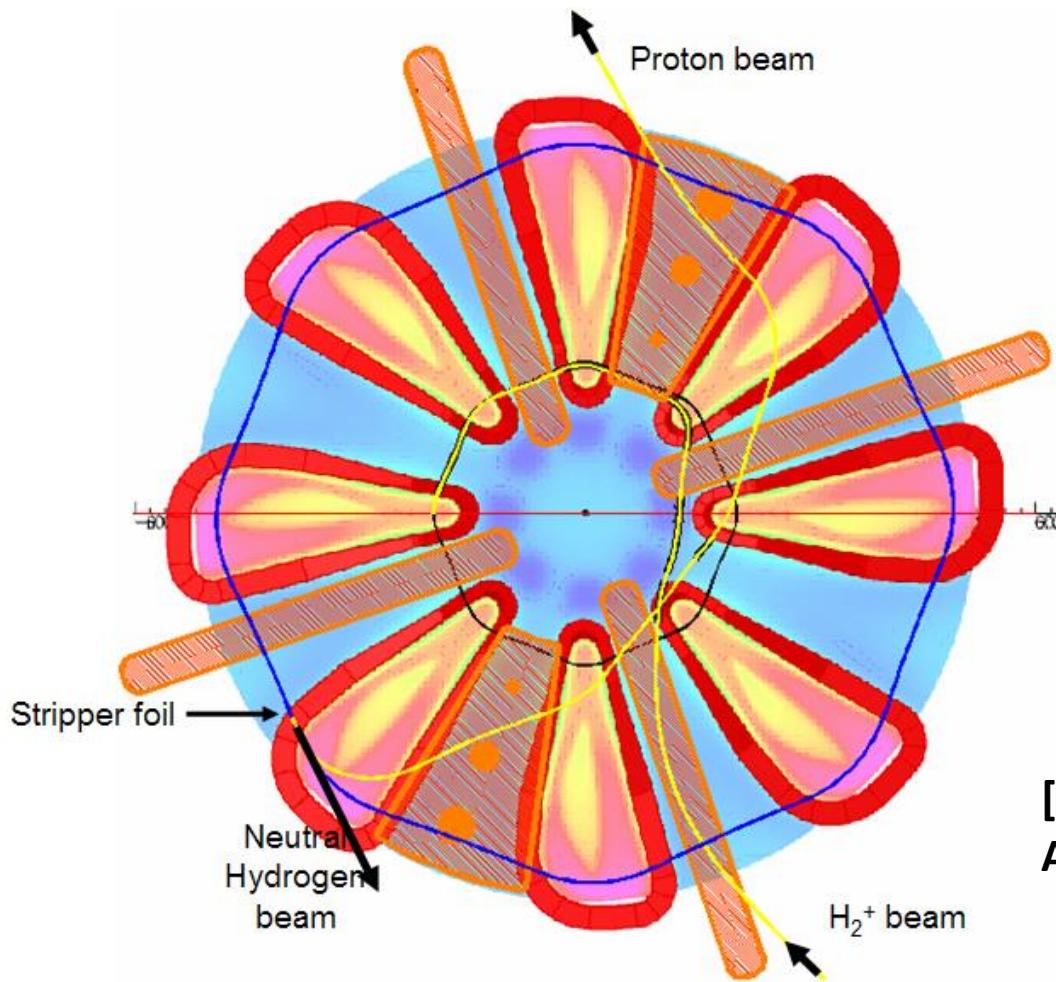
→ typically mm



example: multiple H⁻ stripping extraction at TRIUMF



example: H_2^+ stripping extraction in planned Daedalus cyclotron [neutrino source]

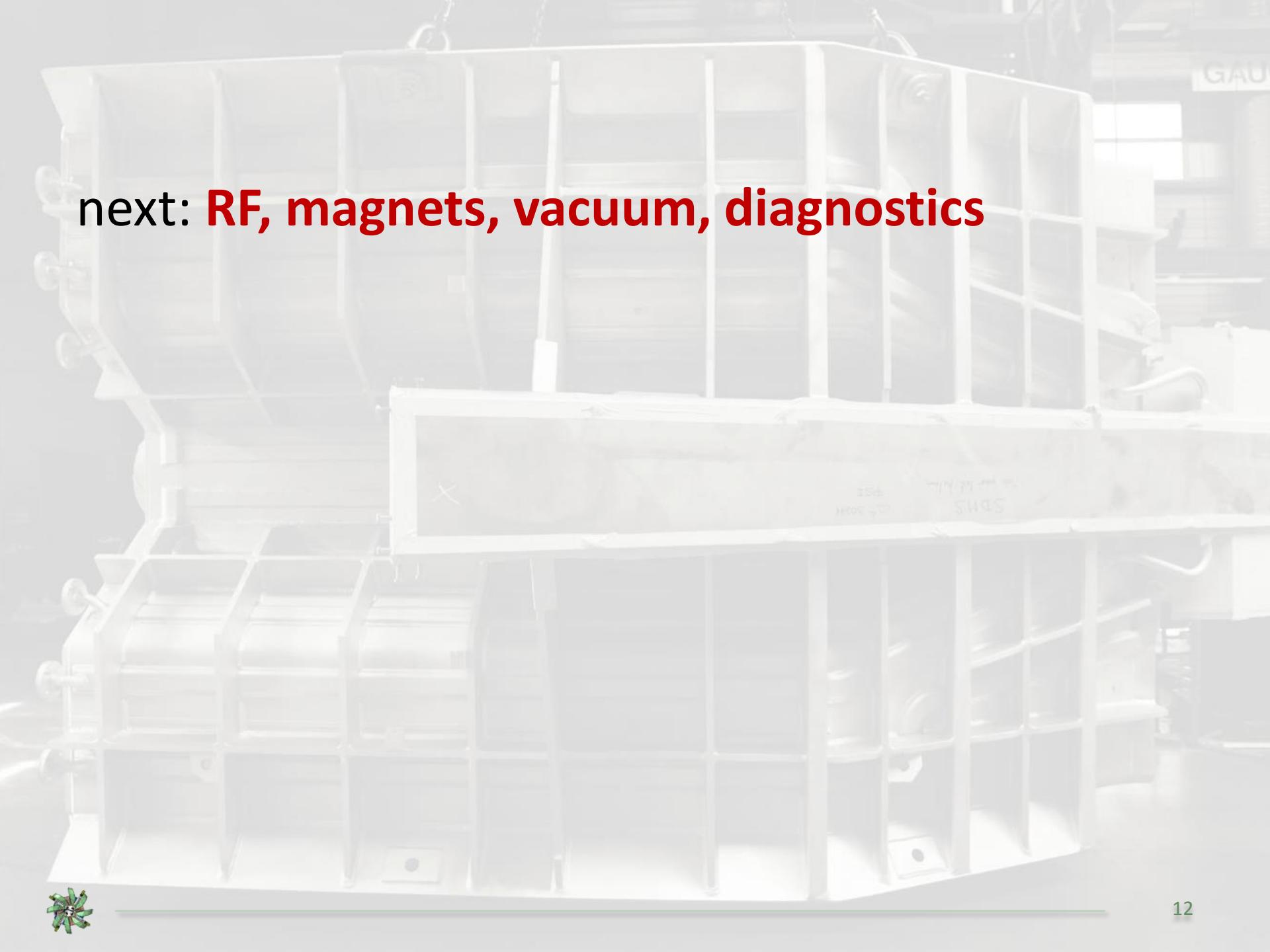


purpose: pulsed high power beam for neutrino production

- 800MeV kin. energy
- 5MW avg. beam power

[L.Calabretta,
A.Calanna et al]





next: **RF, magnets, vacuum, diagnostics**

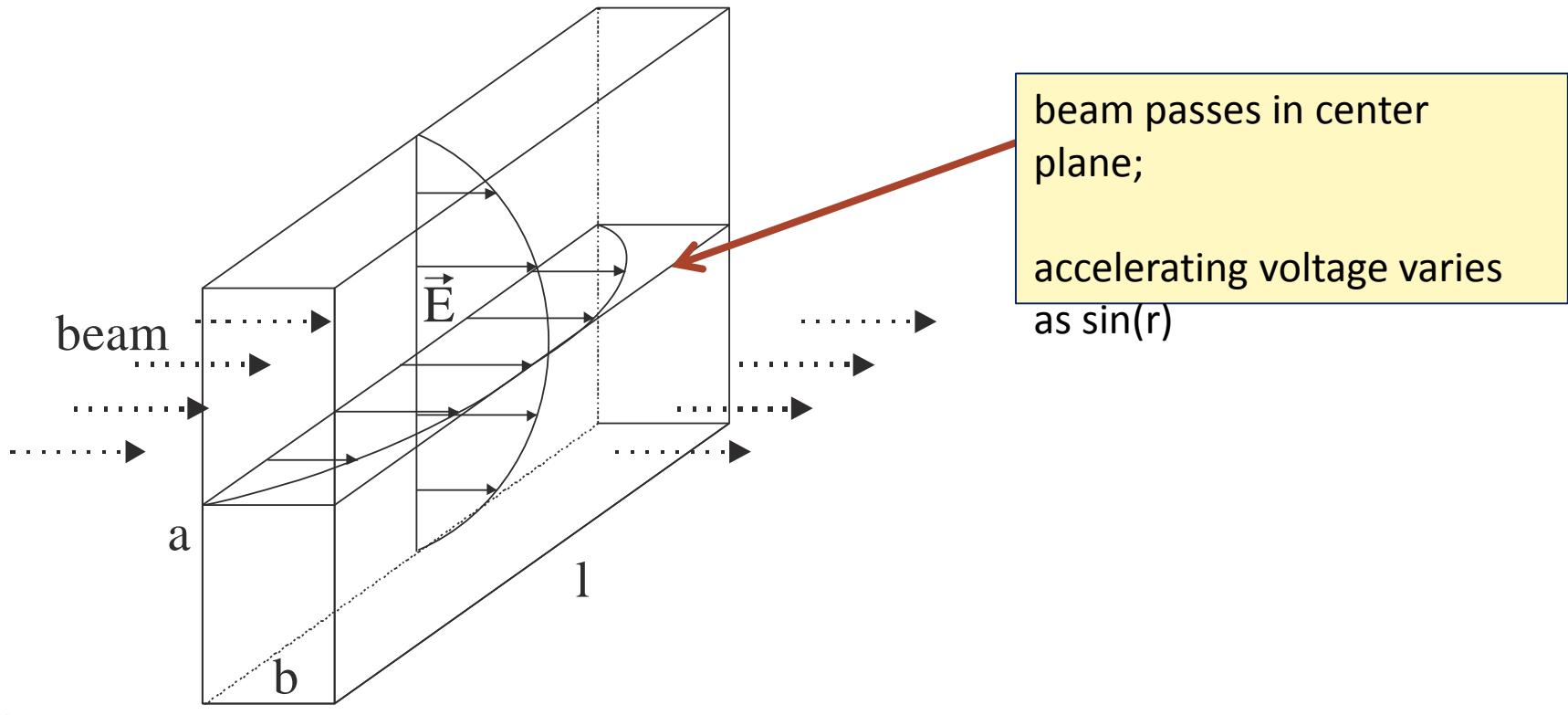


components: sector cyclotron resonators

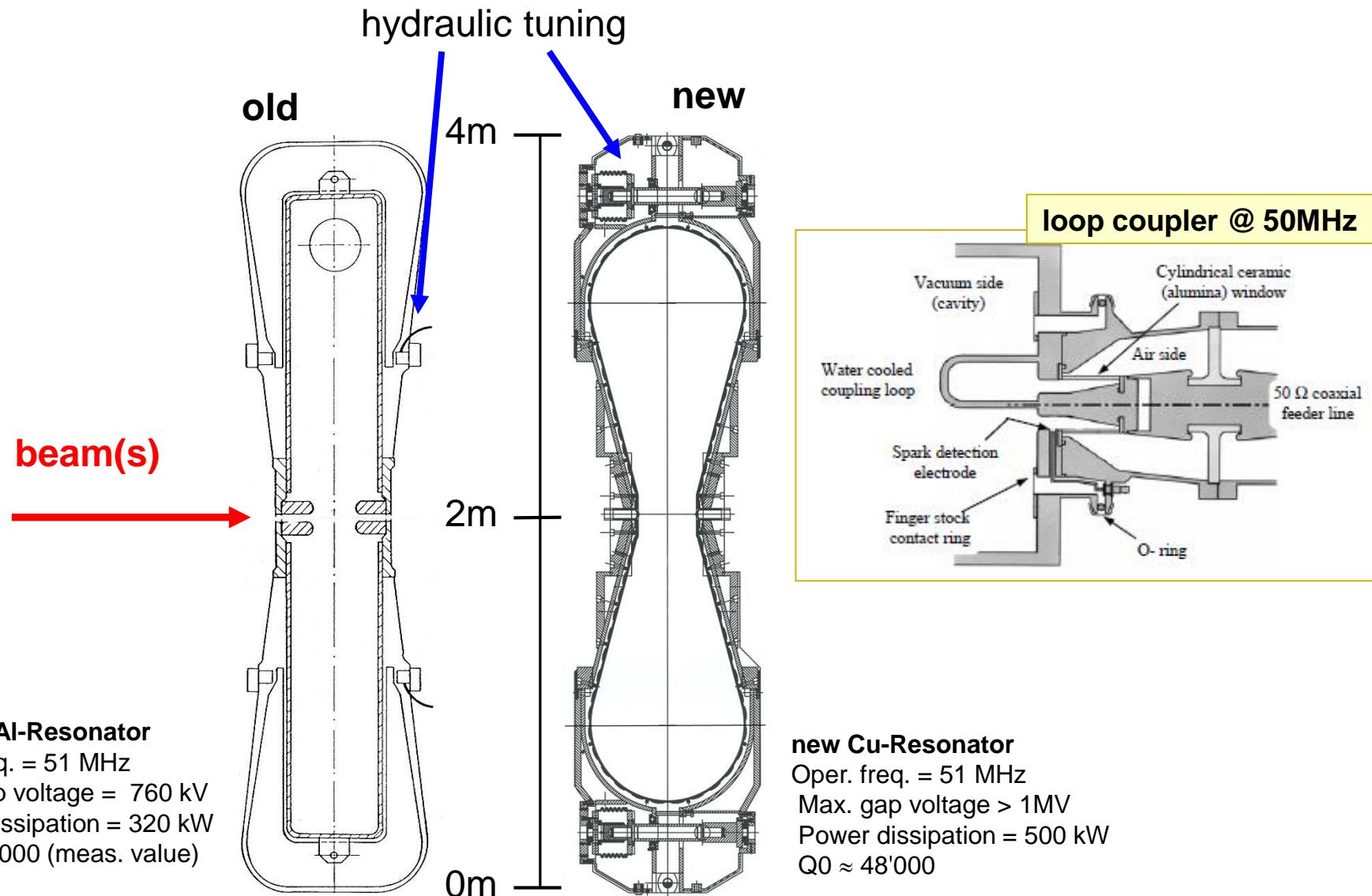
cyclotron resonators are basically box resonators

resonant frequency:

$$f_r = \frac{c}{2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{l^2}}$$

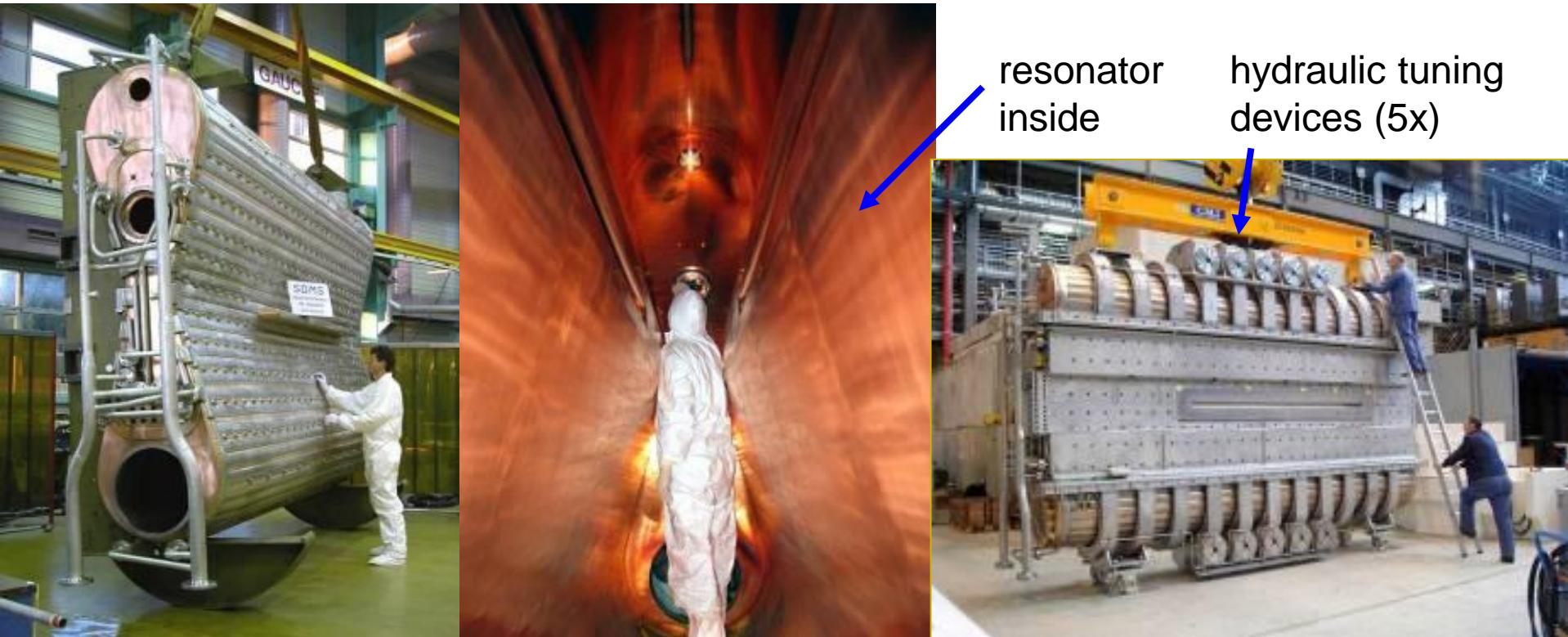


cross sections of PSI resonators



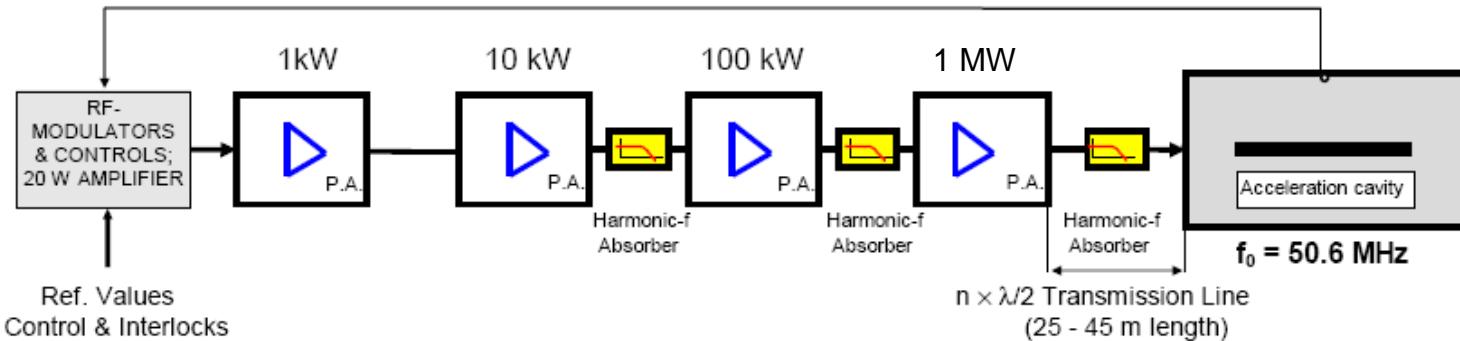
copper resonator in operation at PSI's Ring cyclotron

- $f = 50.6\text{MHz}$; $Q_0 = 4,8 \cdot 10^4$; $U_{\max} = 1.2\text{MV}$ (presently 0.85MV)
- transfer of up to **400kW power to the beam** per cavity
- Wall Plug to Beam Efficiency (RF Systems): **32%**



50 MHz 1 MW amplifier chain for Ring cyclotron

4-STAGE POWER AMPLIFIER CHAIN, EMPLOYING POWER TETRODE TUBES



Tube Types:	YL 1056	RS 2022 CL	RS 2074 HF	RS 2074 HF
Cooling Method:	forced air	forced air	water	water

Wall Plug to Beam Efficiency (RF Systems): **32%**

[AC/DC: 90%, DC/RF: 64%, RF/Beam: 55%]

[L.Stingelin et al]



cyclotron technology: sector magnets

cyclotron magnets typically cover a wide radial range → magnets are heavy and bulky, thus costly

PSI sector magnet

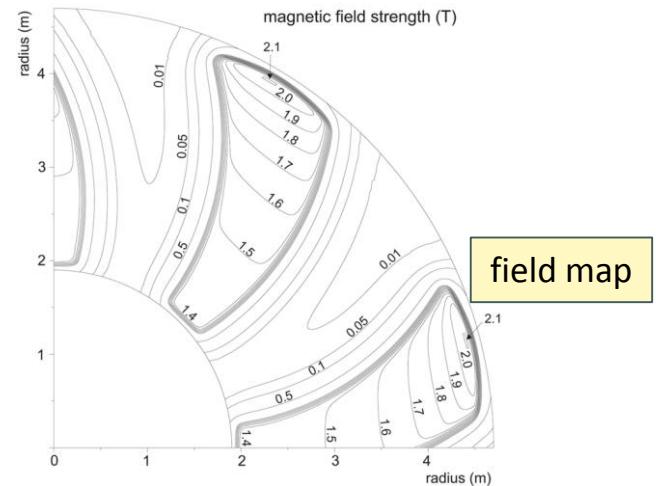
iron weight: 250 tons

coil weight: 28 tons

Field: 2.1T

orbit radius: 2.1...4.5 m

spiral angle: 35 deg

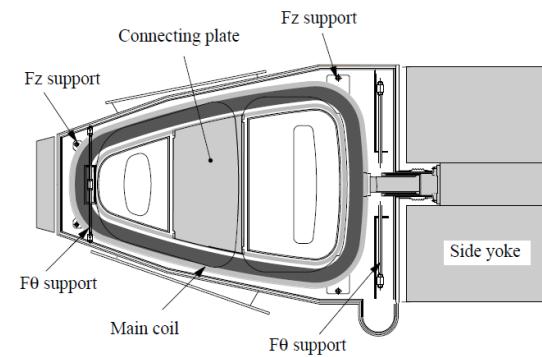
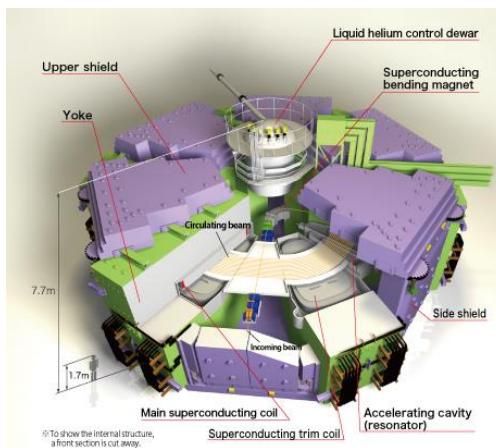


Riken SRC sector magnet

weight: 800 tons

Field: 3.8T, 5000A

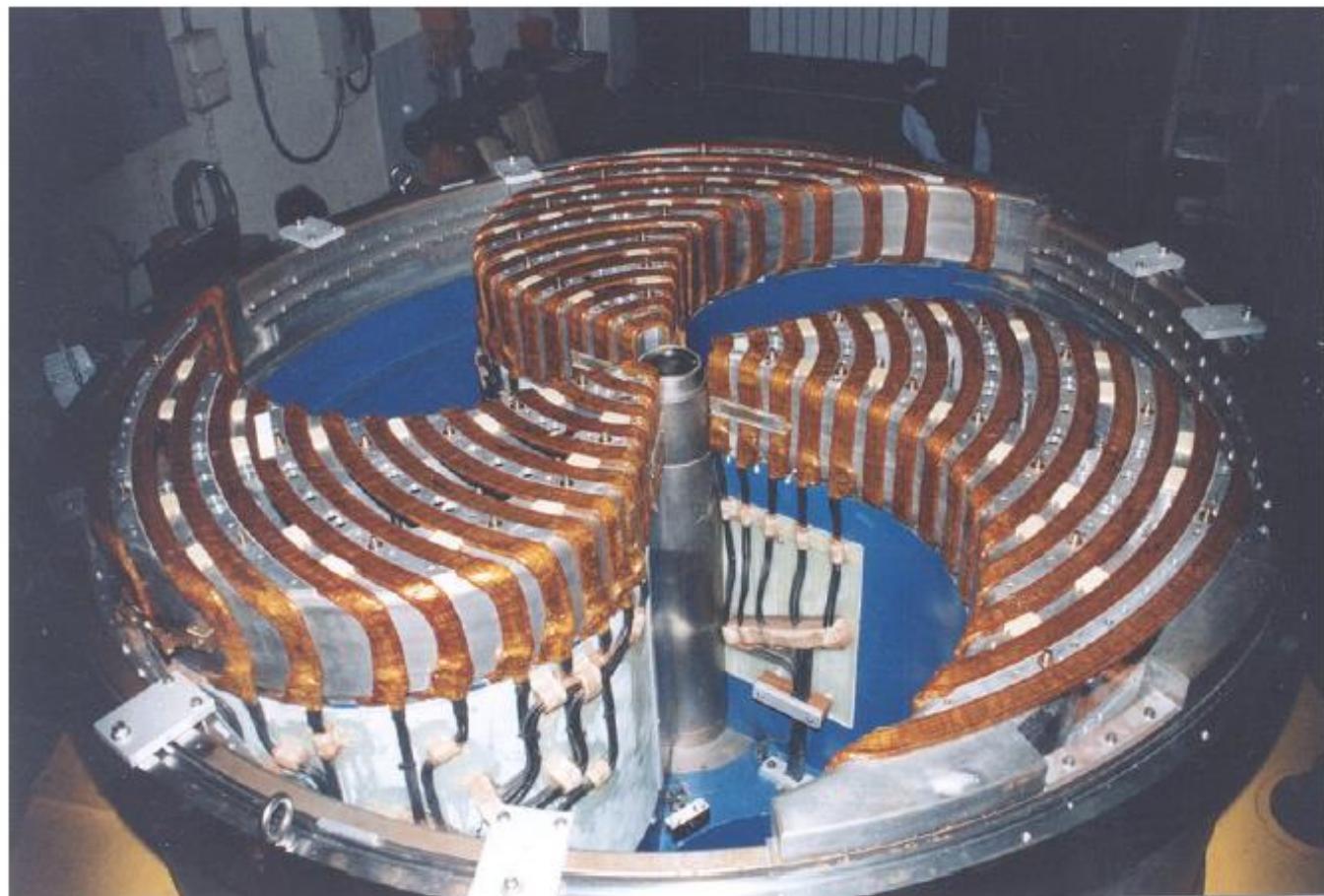
orbit radius: 3.6...5.4m



Magnets – Fine-tuning with trim coils

- isochronicity depends critically on exact field distribution
- circulation time is measured with phase probes and field shape is adjusted using radially distributed trim coil circuits

**example: AGOR
cyclotron in
Groningen NL**



vacuum in cyclotrons – proton losses from scattering

- losses are caused by inelastic scattering at residual gas molecules, use inelastic reaction cross section to estimate losses, convert to mean free path
- compute pressure for 10^{-5} relative loss

common gases, protons :	$\lambda_{\text{inel}}(\text{air}) = 747\text{m}$
(atmospheric conditions)	$\lambda_{\text{inel}}(\text{CO}) = 753\text{m}$
	$\lambda_{\text{inel}}(\text{H}_2) = 6110\text{m}$
	$\lambda_{\text{inel}}(\text{Ar}) = 704\text{m}$

mean free path:

$$\lambda_{\text{eff}} = \left(\frac{1}{P_0} \sum \frac{P_i}{\lambda_{\text{inel}}^i} \right)^{-1}$$

beam loss:

$$\frac{N_0 - N(l)}{N_0} = 1 - \exp(-l/\lambda_{\text{eff}}) \approx l/\lambda_{\text{eff}}$$

pressure for loss $< 10^{-5}$: $P_i(\text{air}) < 10^{-3} \text{ mbar} \rightarrow \text{easy, vacuum no problem for p losses!}$

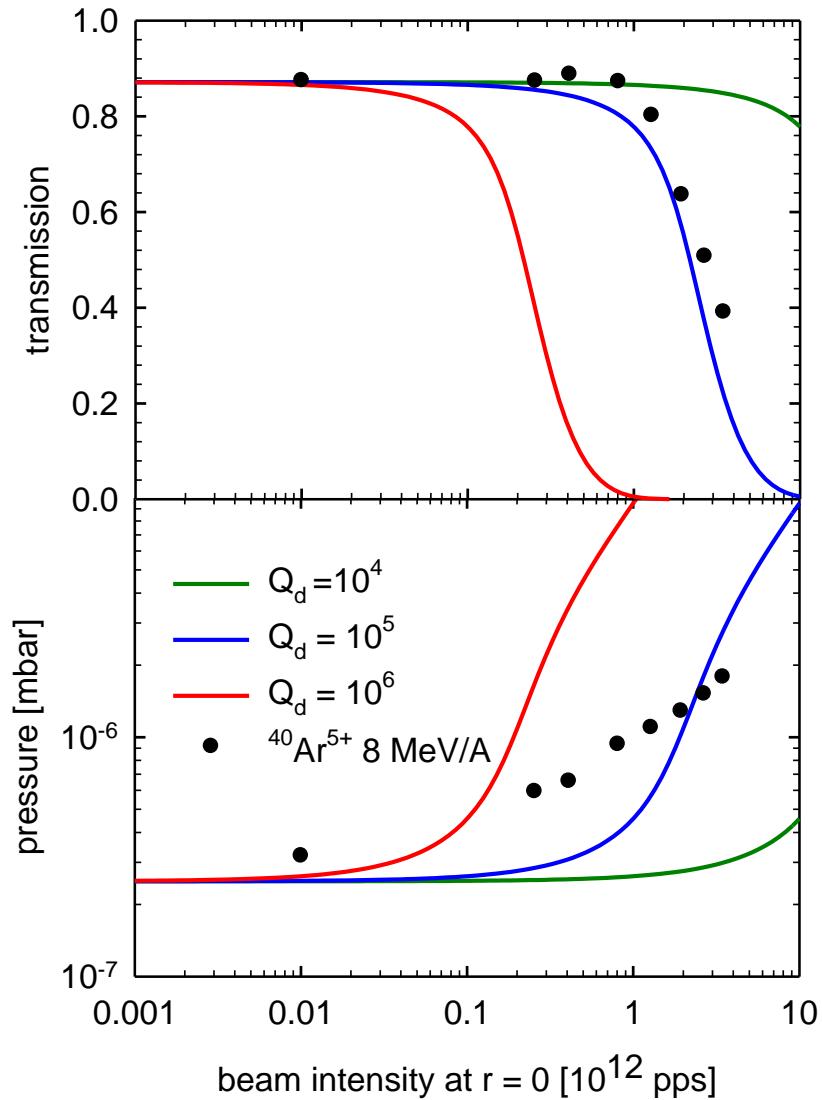


heavy ion induced gas desorption

demonstration of transmission breakdown by gas desorption

[measurements in AGOR cyclotron, KVI-Groningen, S.Brandenburg et al]

- transmission of $^{40}\text{Ar}^{5+}$ 8 MeV per nucleon
- base vacuum 3×10^{-7} mbar
- injected intensity up to 6×10^{12} pps
- beampower: ≤ 320 W

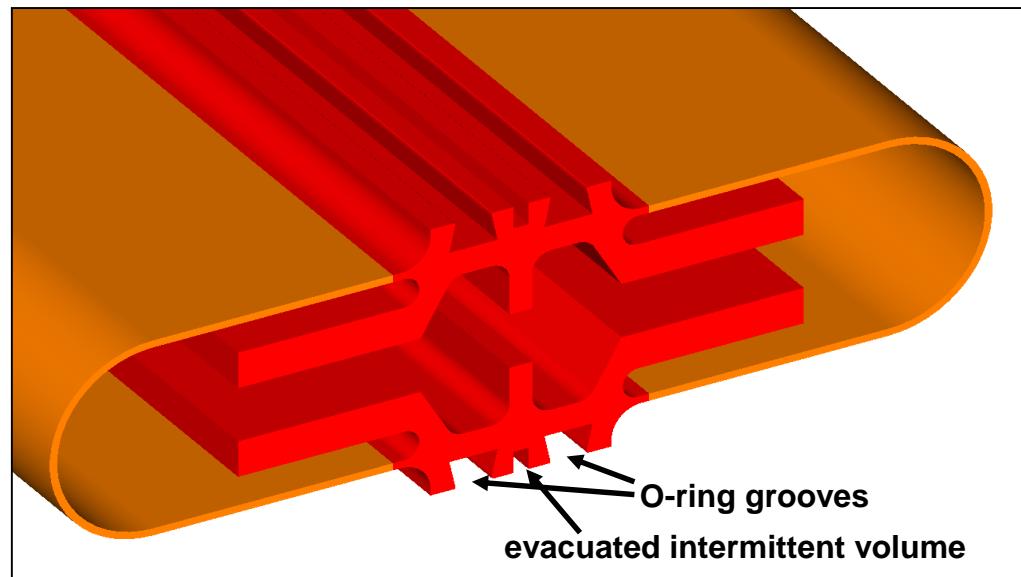
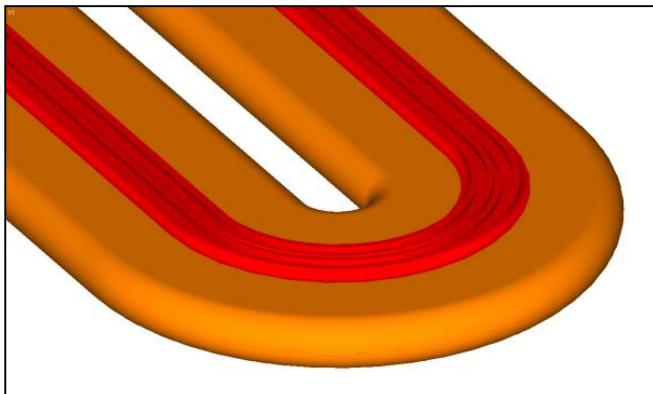


comments on cyclotron vacuum system

- vacuum chamber with large radial width → difficult to achieve precisely matching sealing surfaces → noticeable leak rates must be accepted
- use cryo pumps with high pumping speed and capacity
- $\approx 10^{-6}$ mbar for p, $\approx 10^{-8}$ mbar for ions (instability! e.g. AGOR at KVI)
- design criterion is easy access and fast mountability (activation)

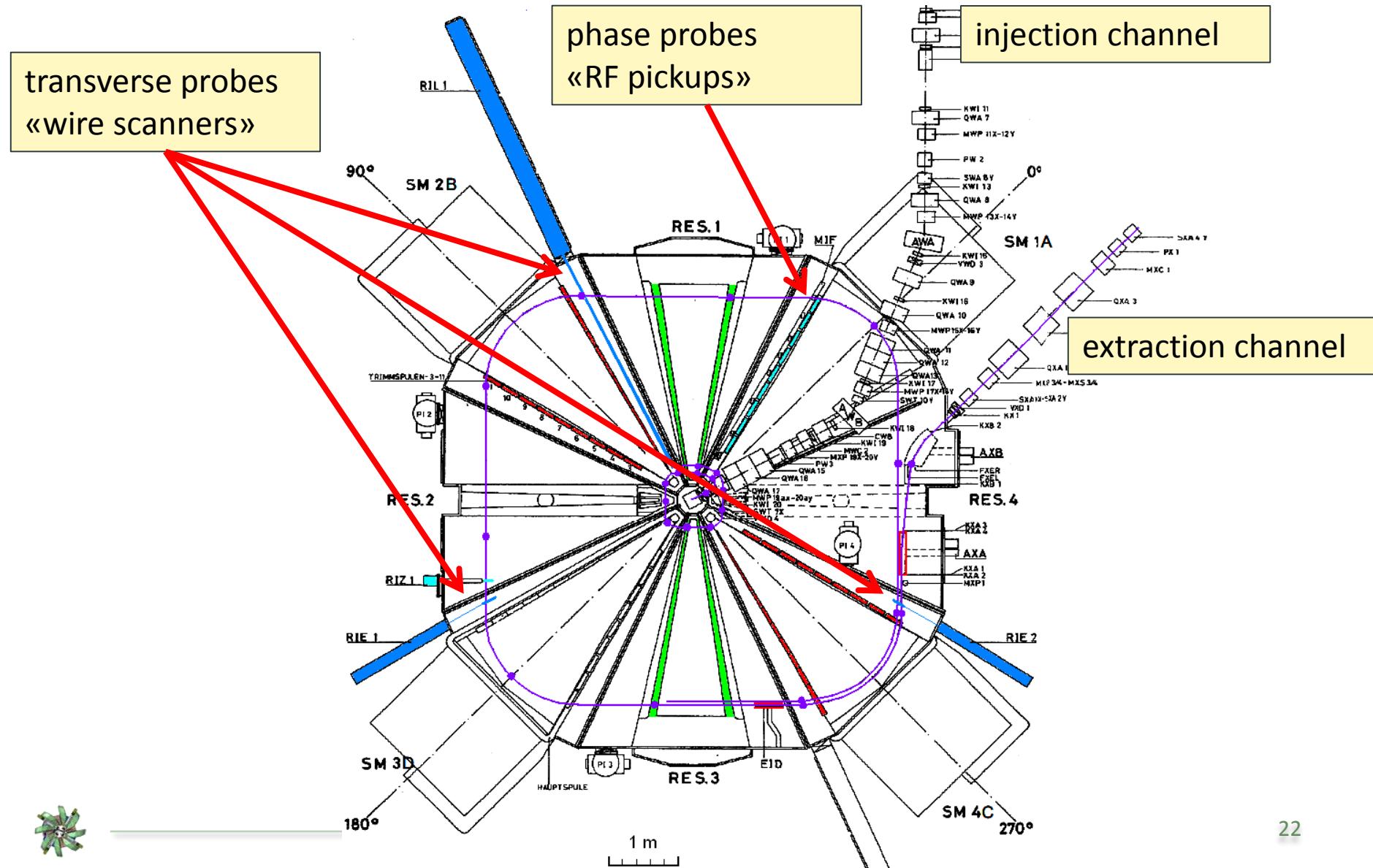
example: inflatable seals installed between resonators; length: 3.5m

length: 3.5m



cyclotron instrumentation

example: PSI 72MeV injector cyclotron



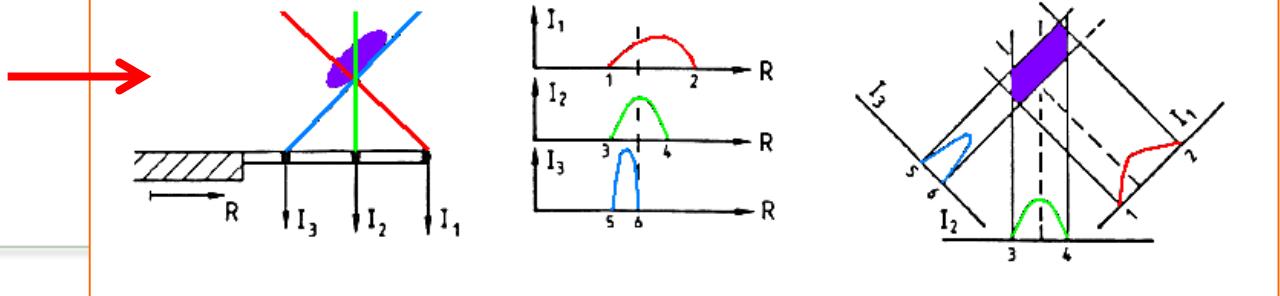
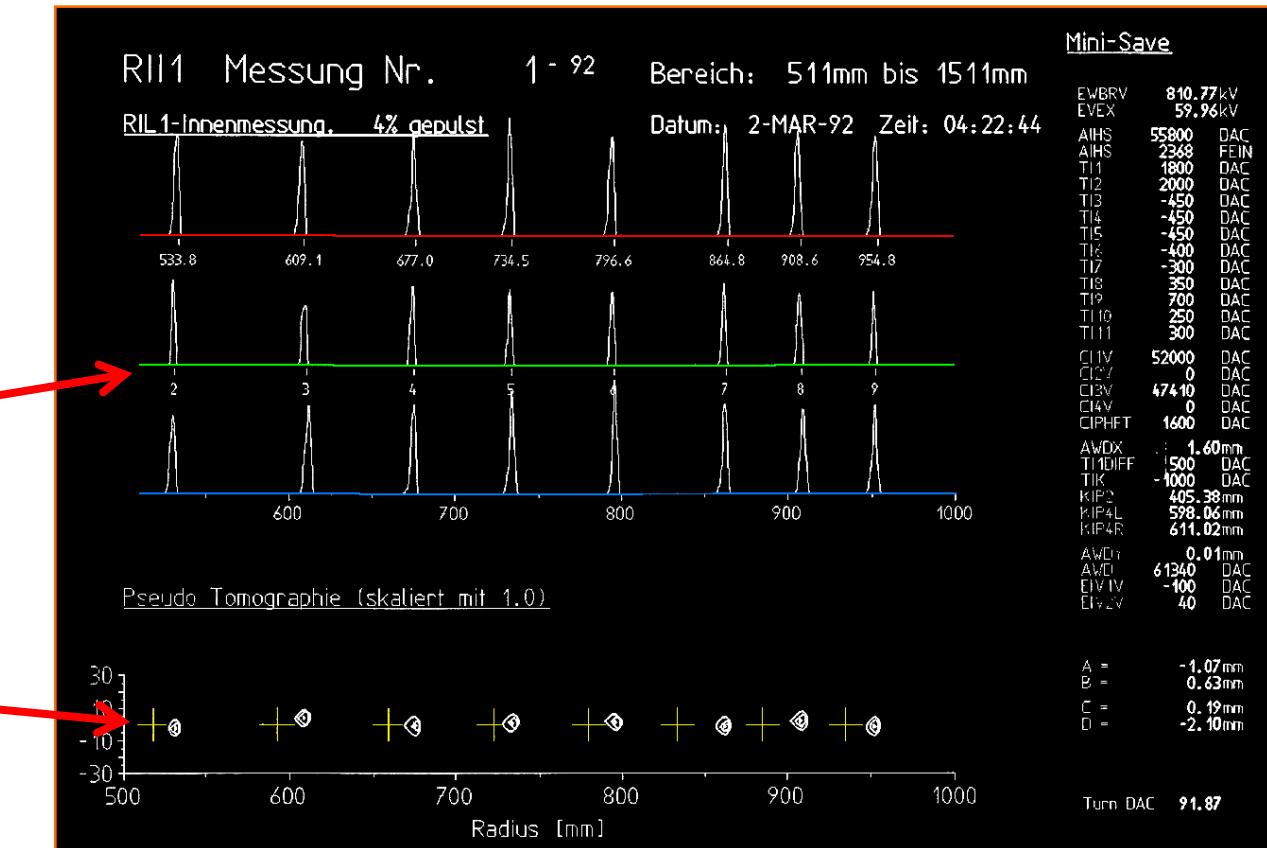
instrumentation: radial probe for turn counting / orbit analysis

wire scanner with three tilted wires delivers radial beam profile and some vertical information

radial: positions of individual turns

vertical/radial orbit positions and stored reference orbit (crosses)

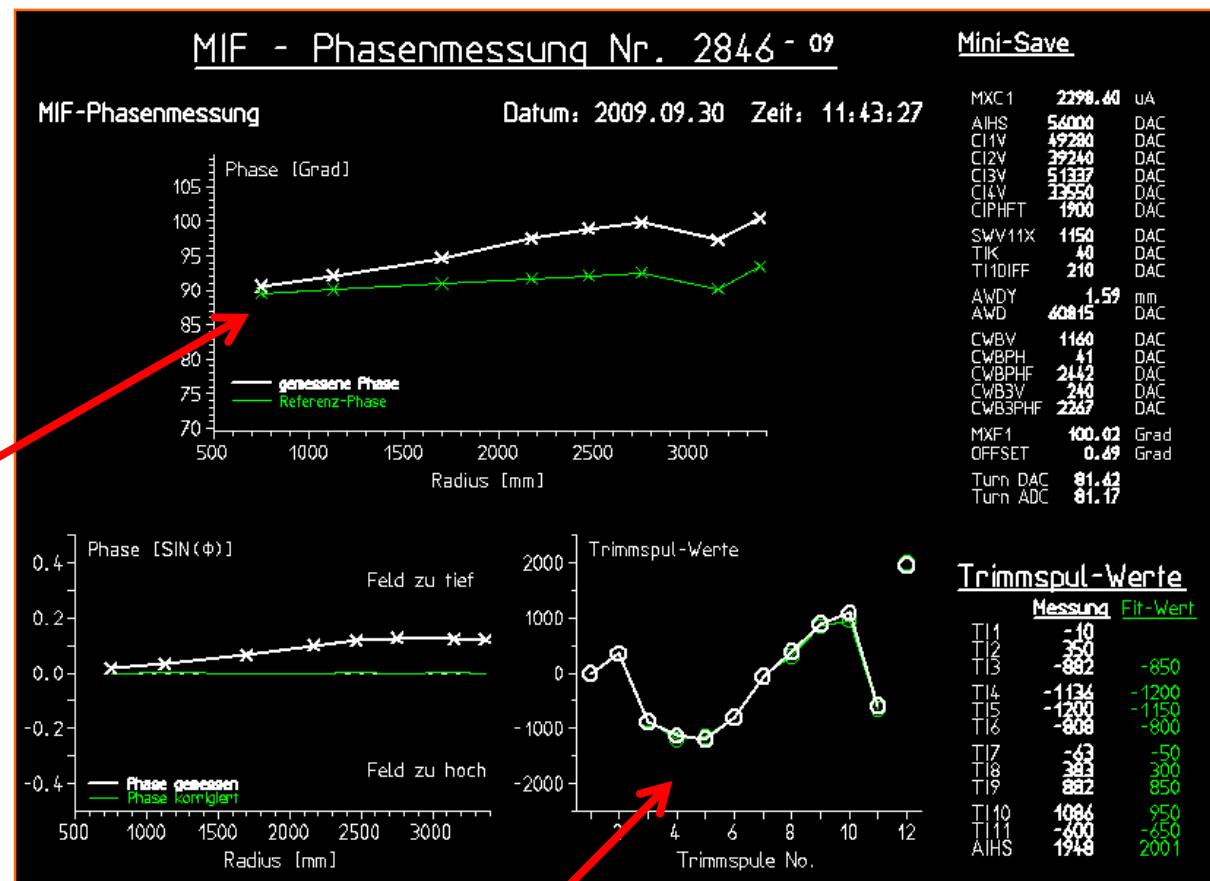
«pseudo tomography» with tilted wires



instrumentation: phase probes

phase probes are radially distributed RF pickups that detect the arrival time (phase) of bunches vs radius
→ adjustment of isochronicity

measured phase vs. radius;
green: reference phase for
«good conditions»



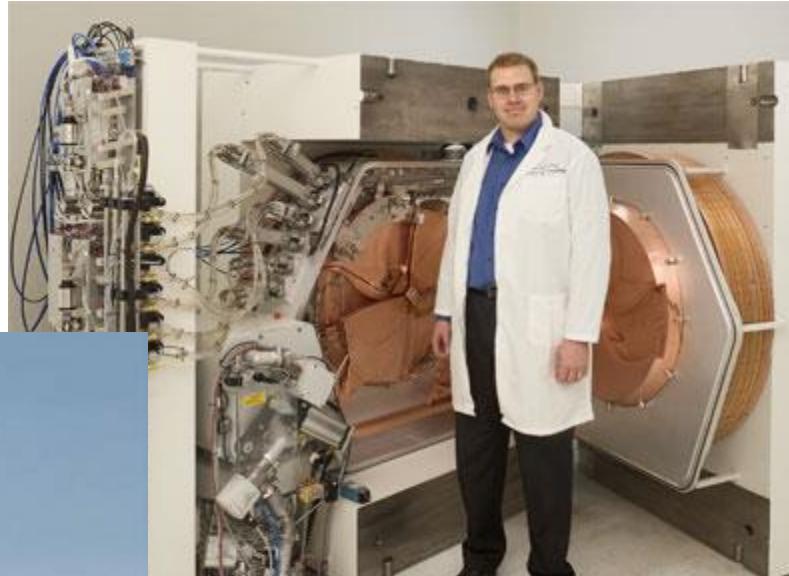
trim coil settings (12 circuits across radius)
green: predicted from phase measurement



next: **cyclotron examples**

- compact cyclotrons
- TRIUMF, RIKEN SRC, PSI-Comet, PSI-HIPA

compact cyclotrons for Isotope production



Vertical setup

CYCLONE 30 (IBA) : H⁻ 15 à 30 MeV



some cyclotrons

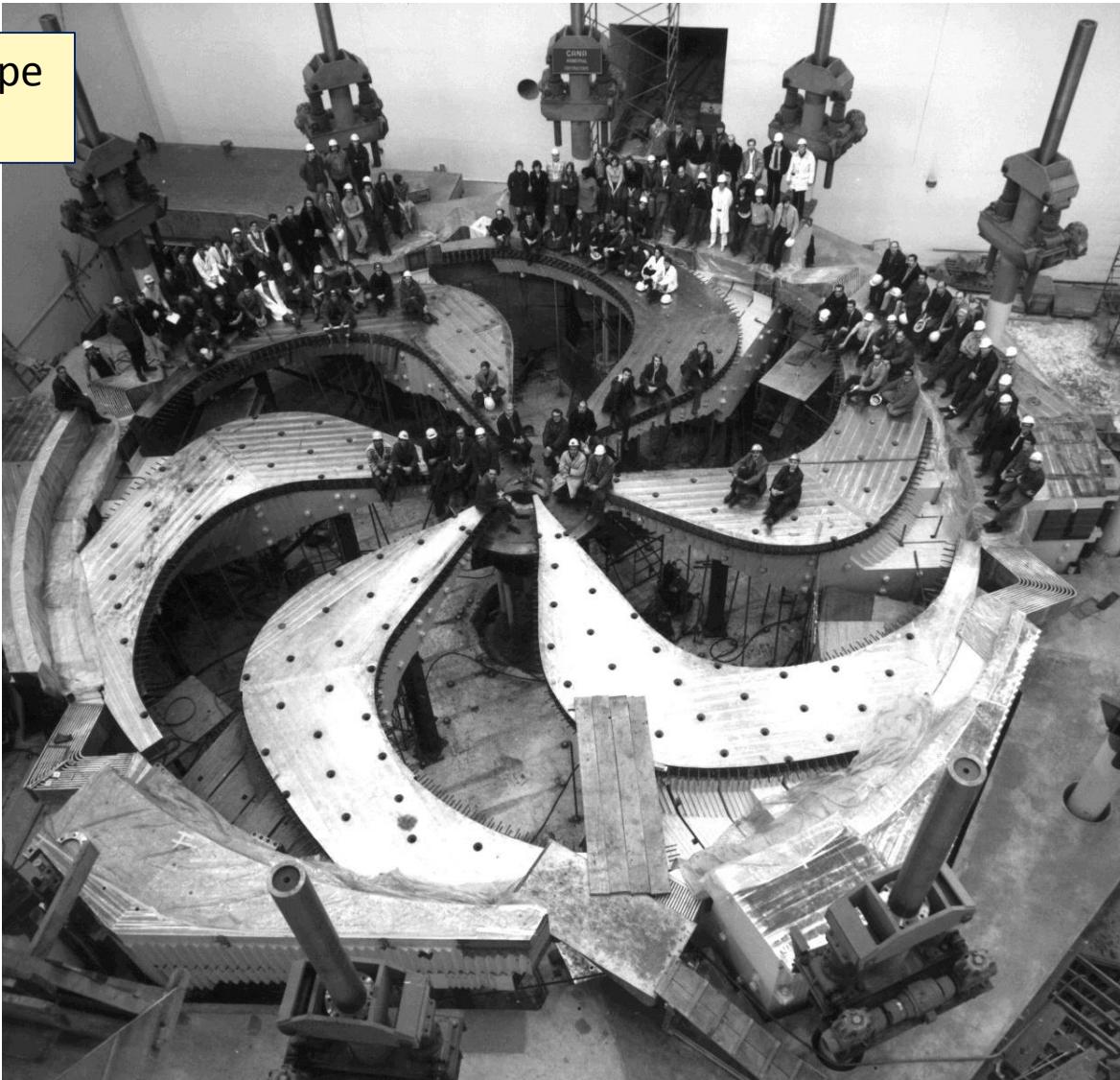
	TRIUMF	RIKEN SRC (supercond.)	PSI Ring	PSI medical (supercond.)
particles	H- → p	ions	p	p
K [MeV]	520	2600	592	250
magnets (poles)	(6)	6	8	(4)
peak field strength [T]	0.6	3.8	2.1	3.8
R _{inj} /R _{extr} [m]	0.25/3.8...7.9	3.6/5.4	2.4/4.5	-/0.8
P _{max} [kW]	110	1 (86Kr)	1300	0.25
extraction efficiency (tot. transmission)	0.9995 (0.70)	(0.63)	0.9998	0.80
extraction method	stripping foil	electrostatic deflector	electrostatic deflector	electrostatic deflector
comment	variable energy	ions, flexible	high intensity	compact



cyclotron examples: TRIUMF / Vancouver

photo: iron poles with spiral shape
($\delta_{\max} = 70\text{deg}$)

- p, 520MeV, up to 110kW beam power
- diameter: 18m (largest n.c. cyclotron worldwide)
- extraction by stripping H⁻
→ variable energy;
multiple extraction points possible



example: RIKEN (Jp) superconducting cyclotron

K = 2,600 MeV

Max. Field: 3.8T (235 MJ)

RF frequency: 18-38 MHz

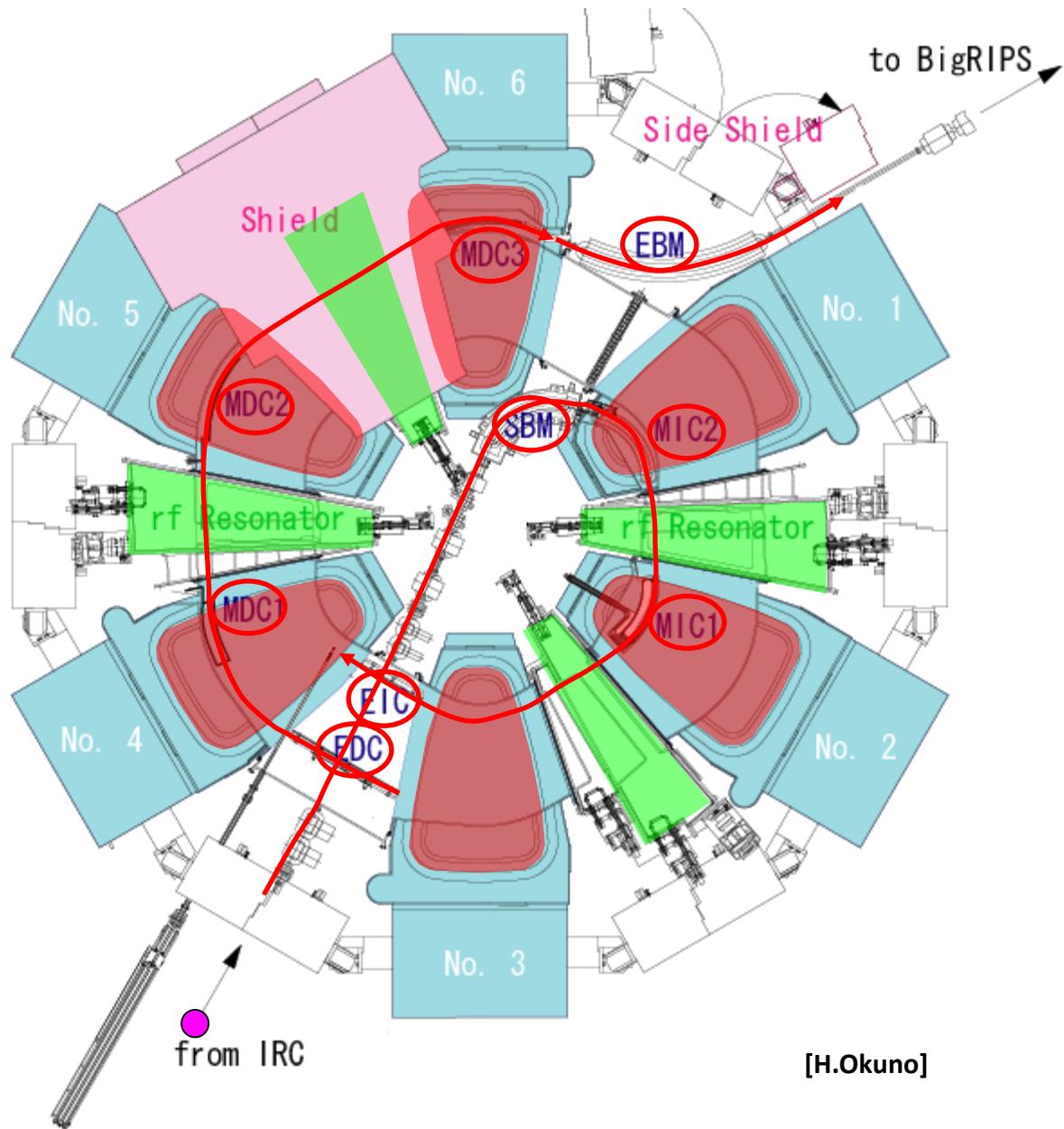
Weight: 8,300 tons

Diameter: 19m

Height: 8m

superconducting
Sector Magnets :6
RF Resonator :4
Injection elements.
Extraction elements.

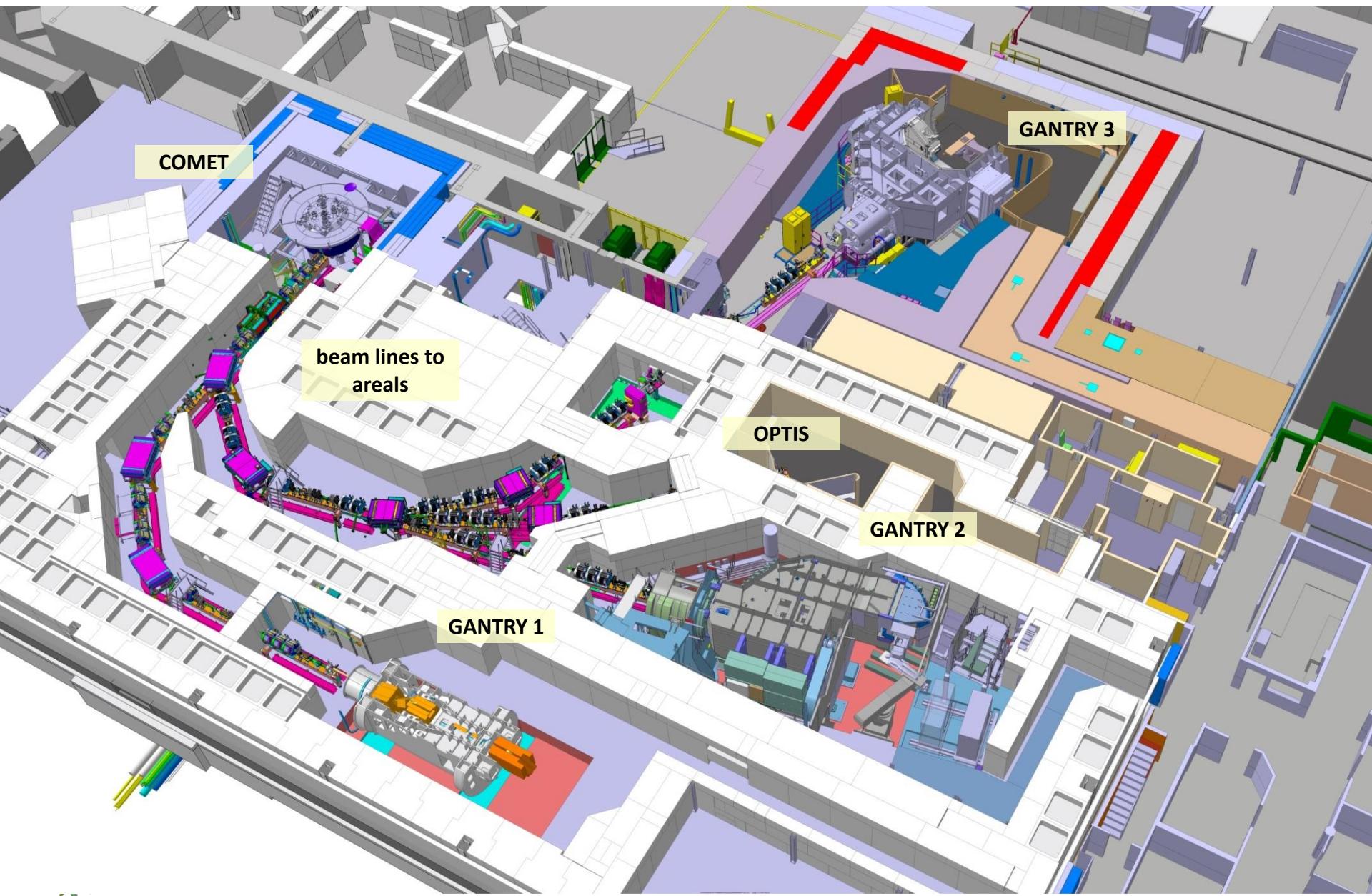
utilization:
broad spectrum of
ions up to Uranium



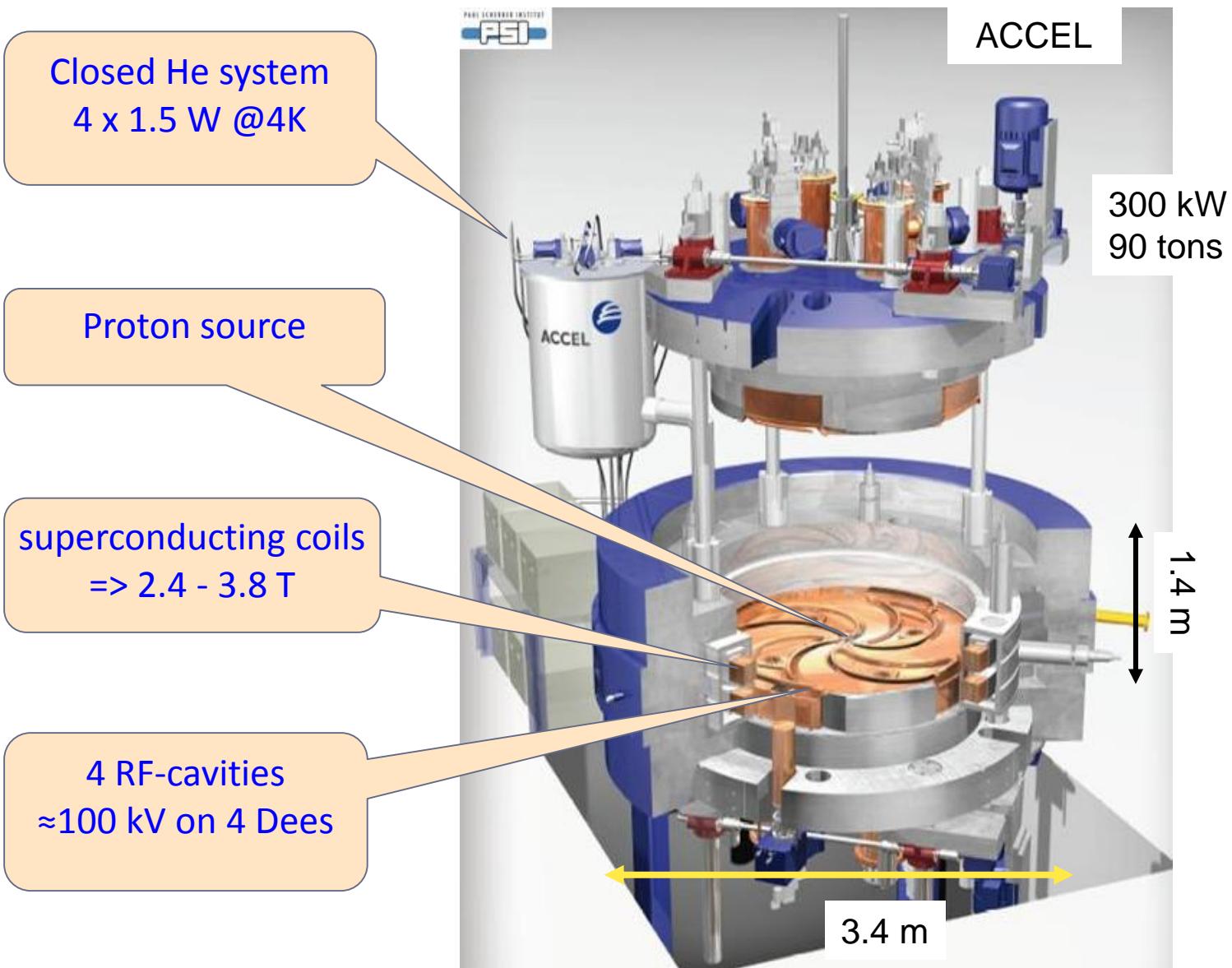
RIKEN SRC in the vault



PSI Proton Therapy Facility

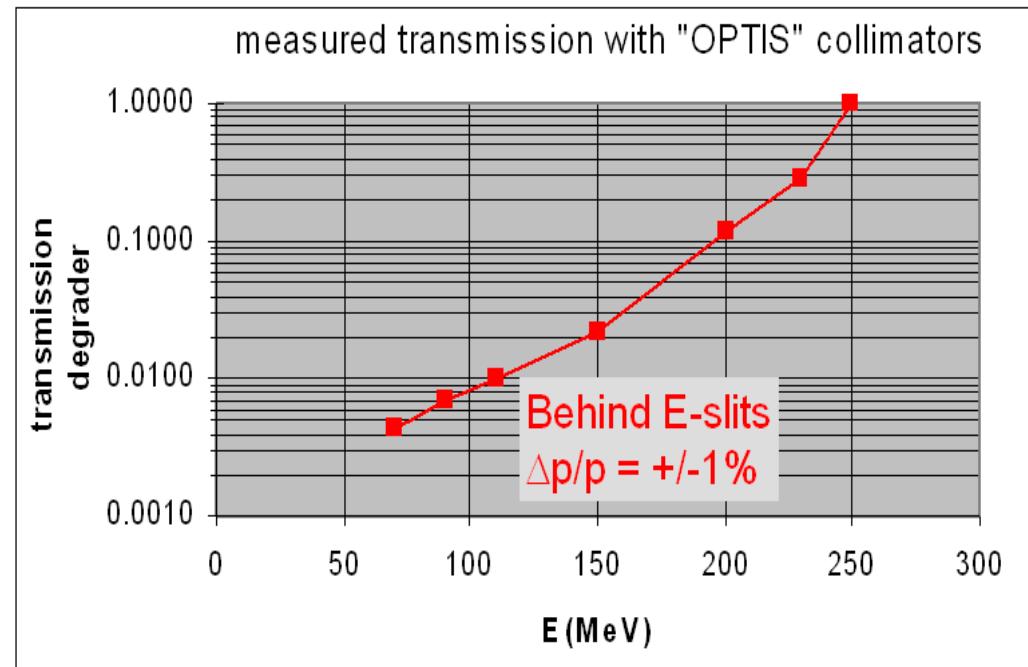


250 MeV proton cyclotron (ACCEL/Varian)

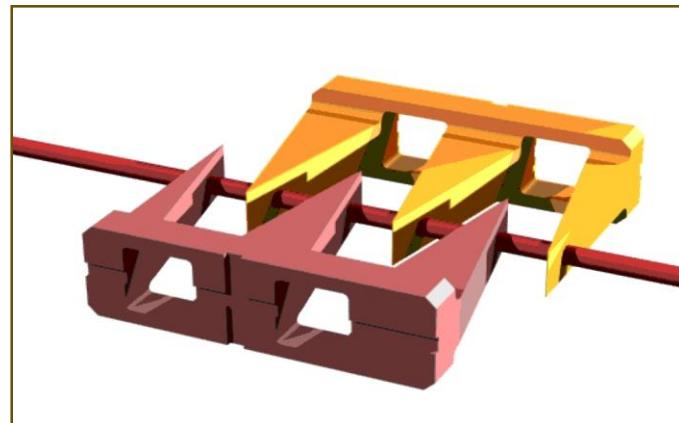


Cyclotron needs degrader :

- cyclotron has fixed energy; need **degrader** for energies down to 70MeV
- collimation after degrader to keep emittance → lose intensity with degrader



degrader: (carbon wedges in vacuum) and laminated beam line magnets for fast energy changes < 80 ms / step



examples: PSI High Intensity Proton Accelerator

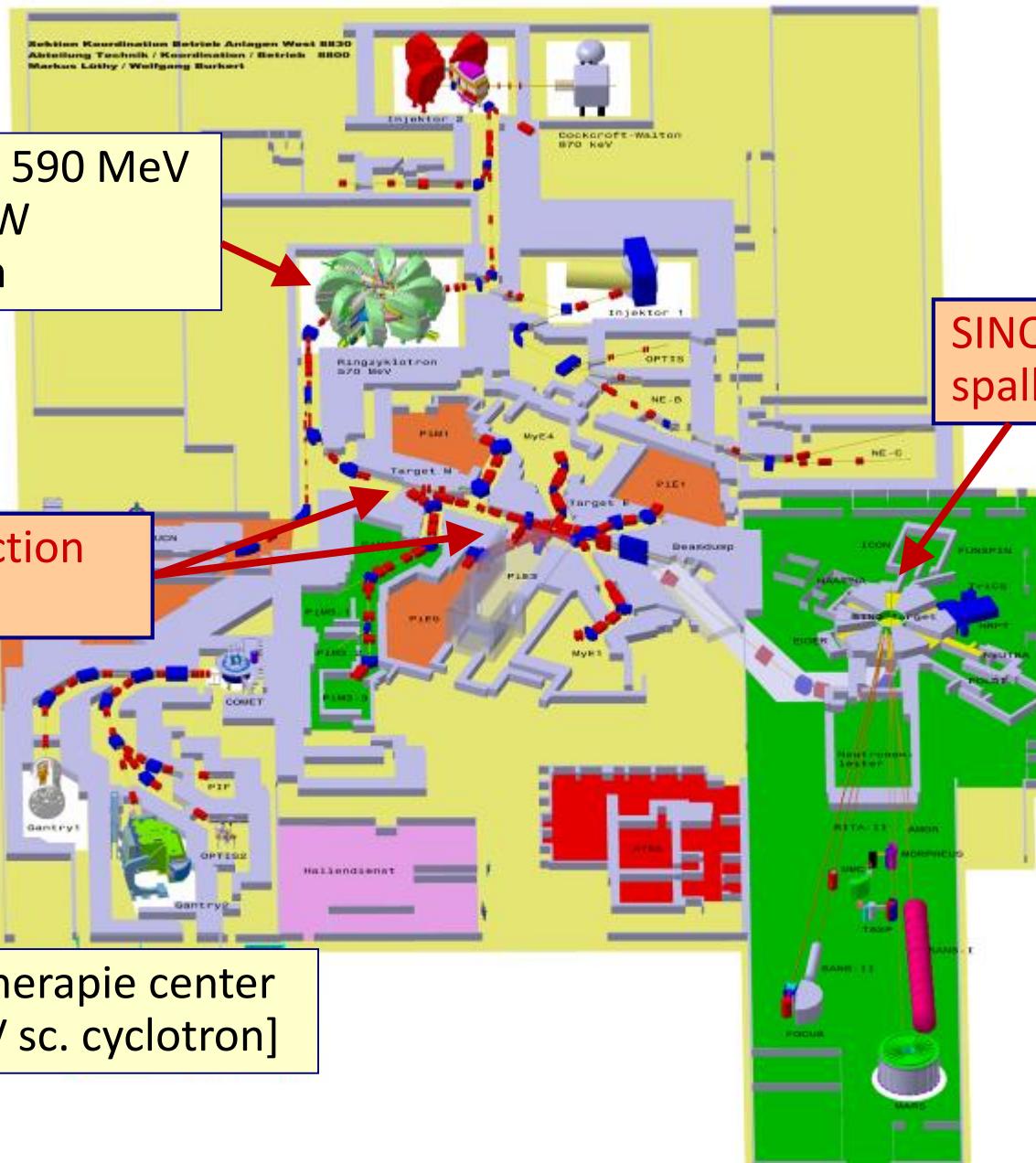
Ring Cyclotron 590 MeV
2.4mA / 1.4MW
diameter: 15m

SINQ
spallation source

meson production
targets

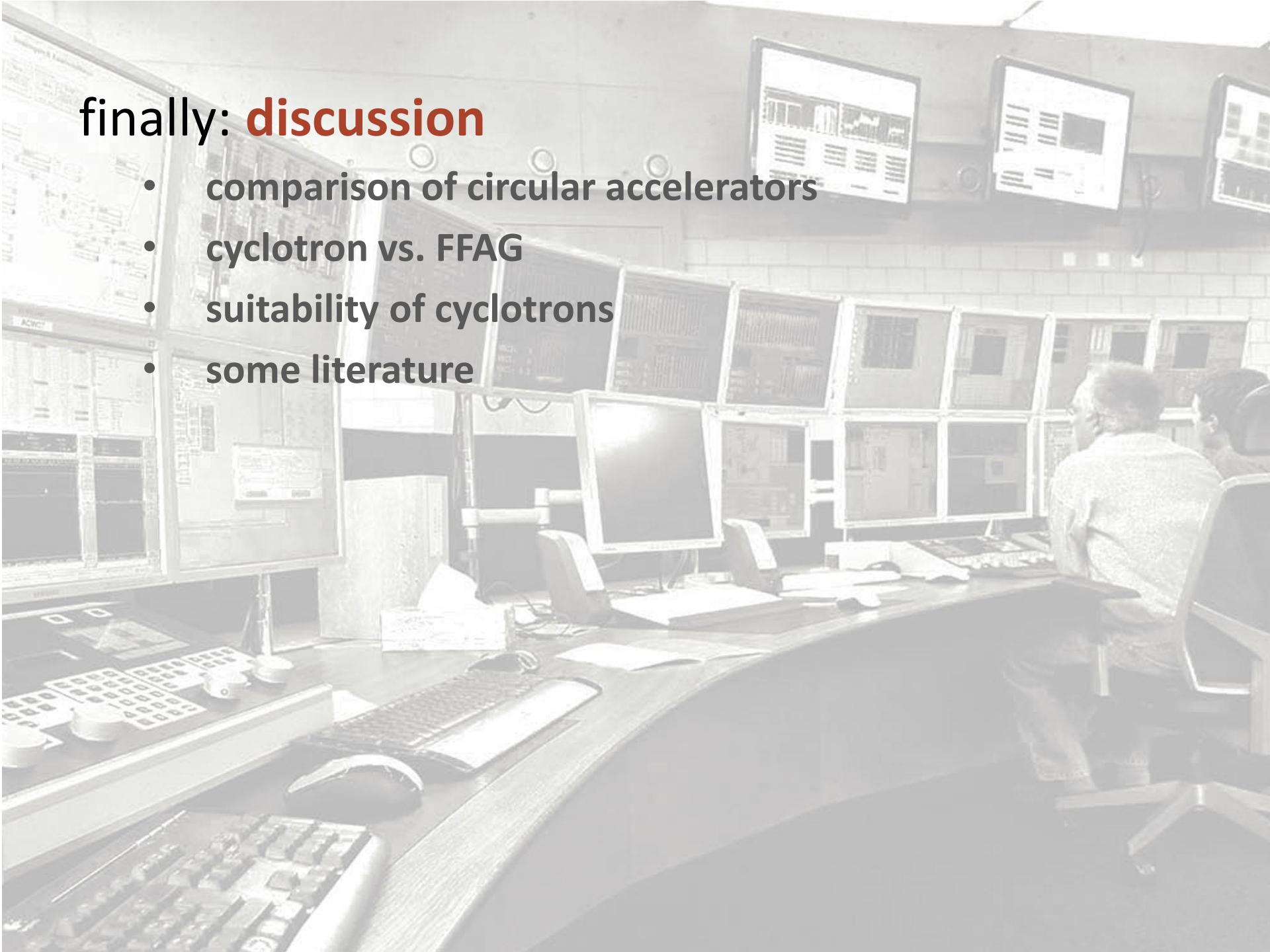
proton therapie center
[250MeV sc. cyclotron]

dimensions:
 $120 \times 220\text{m}^2$



finally: discussion

- comparison of circular accelerators
- cyclotron vs. FFAG
- suitability of cyclotrons
- some literature



classification of circular accelerators

	bending radius	bending field vs. time	bending field vs. radius	RF frequency vs. time	operation mode (pulsed/CW)	
betatron	→	→	↓			induction
classical cyclotron	→	→	↔	→		simple, but limited E_k
isochronous (AVF) cyclotron	→	→	→	→		suited for high power!
synchro-cyclotron	→	→	↔	↓		higher E_k , but low P
FFAG	↔	→	→	↔		strong focusing!
a.g. synchrotron	→	→		↔		high E_k , strong focus



Cyclotron vs. FFAG

- many discussions on relation FFAG/Cyclotron;
e.g. **a synchro-cyclotron is actually an FFAG**
- in fact both concepts **can be distinguished via the dominating focusing mechanisms** (M.Craddock):

	Thomas cyclotron	sector FFAG
alternating B'	yes	yes
lens pattern	FFFFFF	FDFDFD
edge focusing	dominant	negligible
AG focusing	negligible	dominant

<https://www.cockcroft.ac.uk/events/FFAG08/presentations/Craddock/Thomas-FFAG.pdf>



pro and contra cyclotron

limitations of cyclotrons	typical utilization of cyclotrons
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• energy limitation $\approx 1\text{GeV}$ due to relativistic effects• relatively weak focusing is critical for space charge effects (10mA ?)• tuning is difficult; field shape; many turns; limited diagnostics• wide vacuum vessel (radius variation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• medical applications $\leq 250\text{MeV}$; intensity range well covered• isotope production \rightarrow several 10MeV• acceleration of heavy ions (e.g. RIKEN)• very high intensity proton beams (PSI:1.4MW, TRIUMF: 100kW)



cyclotron conferences – a valuable source of knowledge

- old cyclotron conferences have been digitized for JACOW (effort of M.Craddock!)
- intl. cyclotron conference every 3 years; last month 2016 edition in Zürich; in-between European Cyclotron Progress Meeting (ECPM)

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conferences

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