

# Overview of Past Muon Accelerator R&D

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Workshop on Muon Collider Testing Opportunities

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# Outline

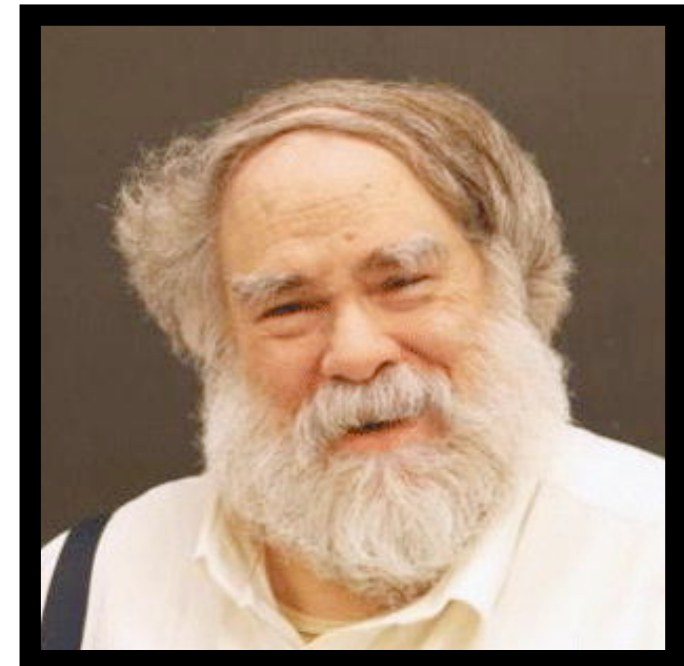
- Brief history
- R&D overview
- Technology Demonstrations
- Summary

**R.I.P.**

Yuri Alexahin  
1948–2020



Don Summers  
1951–2021



# “A Brief History of Muons”

(See also <https://puhep1.princeton.edu/mumu/physics/index.html> )

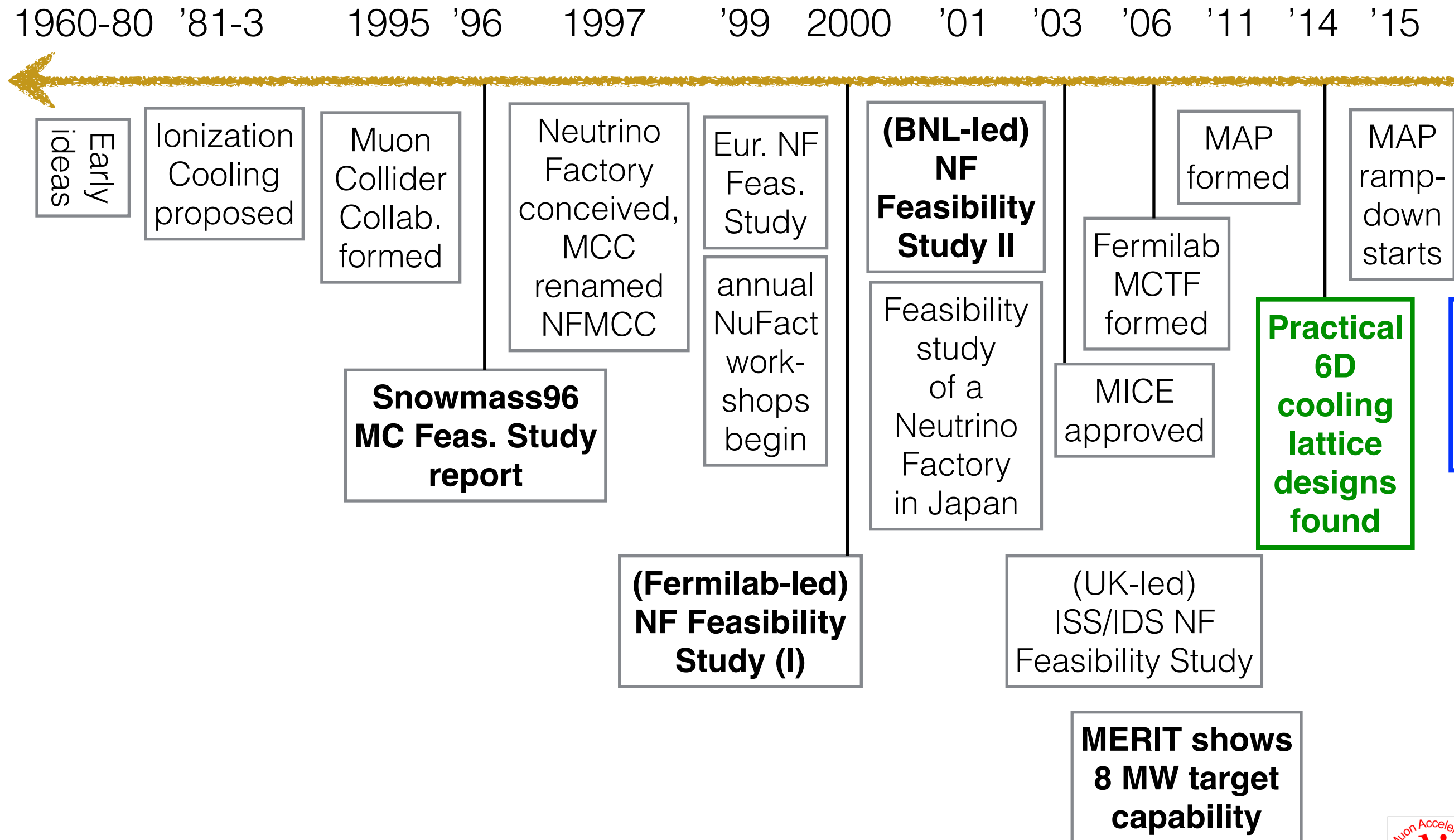
- Muon storage rings: an old idea
  - Charpak et al. ( $g - 2$ ) (1960), Tinlot & Green (1960), Melissinos (1960)
- Muon colliders suggested by Tikhonin (1968), Neuffer (1979)
- But no concept how to achieve high luminosity until **ionization cooling** proposed
  - O’Neill (1956), Lichtenberg *et al.* (1956)
  - for muon cooling: Skrinsky & Parkhomchuk (1981), Neuffer (1983)
- Realization (Neuffer & Palmer) high-luminosity muon collider might be feasible stimulated workshops & **formation (1995) of (Neutrino Factory and) Muon Collider Collaboration (NFMCC)**
  - subsequently grew to 47 institutions and >100 physicists
- Snowmass Summer Study (1996):
  - feasibility study of a 2+2 TeV Muon Collider [Fermilab-conf-96/092]

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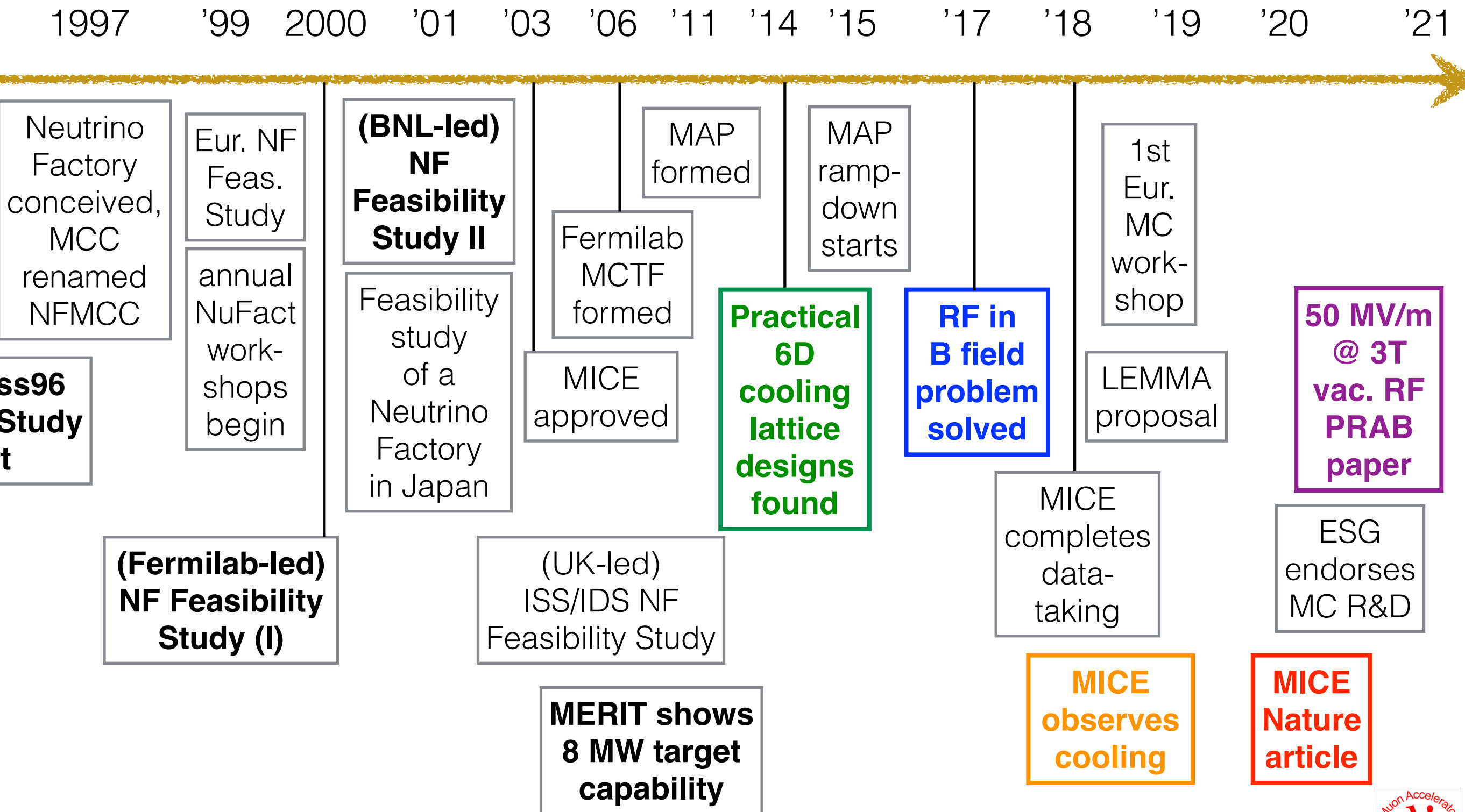
- **Neutrino Factory suggested by Geer (1997)** at Workshop on Physics at the First Muon Collider and the Front End of the Muon Collider [AIP Conf. Proc. 435; Phys. Rev D 57, 6989 (1998) [D59:039903,1999(E)]; also CERN Neutrino Factory yellow report (1999) [CERN 99-02, ECFA 99-197]
- Formation of ICAR (1998) and Muons, Inc. (2002)
- **Muon Ionization Cooling Experiment (MICE) proposed (2003)**
- Fermilab Muon Collider Task Force (MCTF) established (2006)
- At DOE request, NFMCC & MCTF consolidated (2012) into **Muon Accelerator Program (MAP)**
- MAP terminated (2017) by DOE (P5 report, 2013)
- **MICE observed cooling (2018)**
- European work resumed (2019) – LEMMA,...
- **European Strategy endorsed MC R&D (2020)**



# Muon Accelerator (partial) Timeline



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# Some MC/NF source material:

- **Neutrino Factory Feasibility Study II report** [BNL-52623 (2001)]
- **Recent Progress in Neutrino Factory and Muon Collider Research within the Muon Collaboration**, M. Alsharo'a et al., Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 6, 081001 (2003)
- **APS Multidivisional Neutrino Study** [[www.aps.org/neutrino/](http://www.aps.org/neutrino/)] (2004)
- Recent innovations in muon beam cooling, R. Johnson *et al.*, AIP Conf. Proc. 821, 405 (2006)
- Muon Colliders and Neutrino Factories, S. Geer, Annu. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 59, 347 (2009)
- **International Design Study for the Neutrino Factory**, Interim Design Report [IDS-NF-20, BNL-96453-2011, CERN-ATS-2011-216, EURONU-WPI-05, FERMILAB-PUB-11-581-APC, RAL-TR-2011-018, FERMILAB-DESIGN-2011-01], arXiv:1112.2853 [hep-ex]
- **Muon Colliders**, R.B. Palmer, Rev. of Accel. Sci. and Tech. 7 (2014) 137–159
- [map.fnal.gov](http://map.fnal.gov); [www.cap.bnl.gov/mumu/](http://www.cap.bnl.gov/mumu/); [mice.iit.edu](http://mice.iit.edu); [proj-hiptarget.web.cern.ch](http://proj-hiptarget.web.cern.ch)
- **JINST Special Issue on Muon Accelerators** [[iopscience.iop.org/journal/1748-0221/page/extraproc46](http://iopscience.iop.org/journal/1748-0221/page/extraproc46)]
- The future prospects of muon colliders and neutrino factories, M. Boscolo, J.-P. Delahaye, M. Palmer, Rev. of Accel. Sci. and Tech. 10 (2019) 189-214

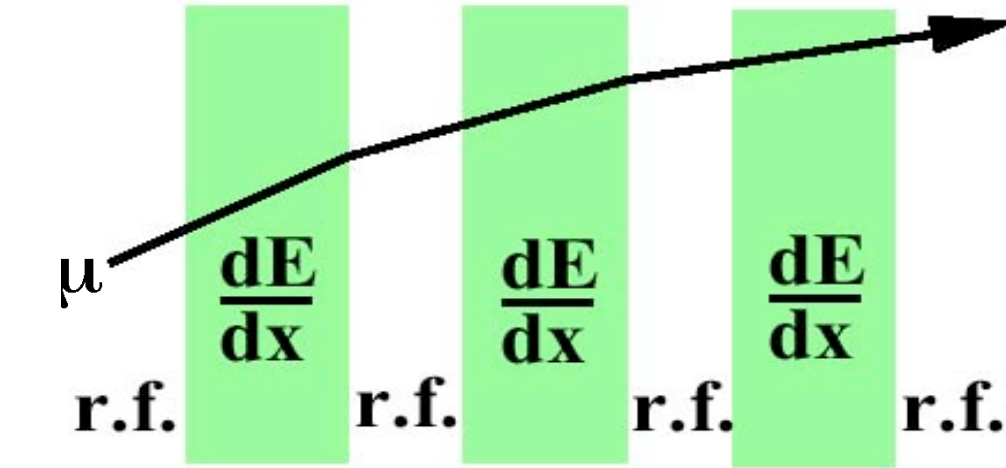
Repository for archival  
MAP and MICE papers

# Challenges:

- High power beam & target
- Rapid, 6D muon cooling
- Final cooling to extreme emittance
- Rapid muon acceleration
- High-field low- $\beta$  storage ring
- (neutrino radiation)

# Ionization Cooling

- Two competing effects:

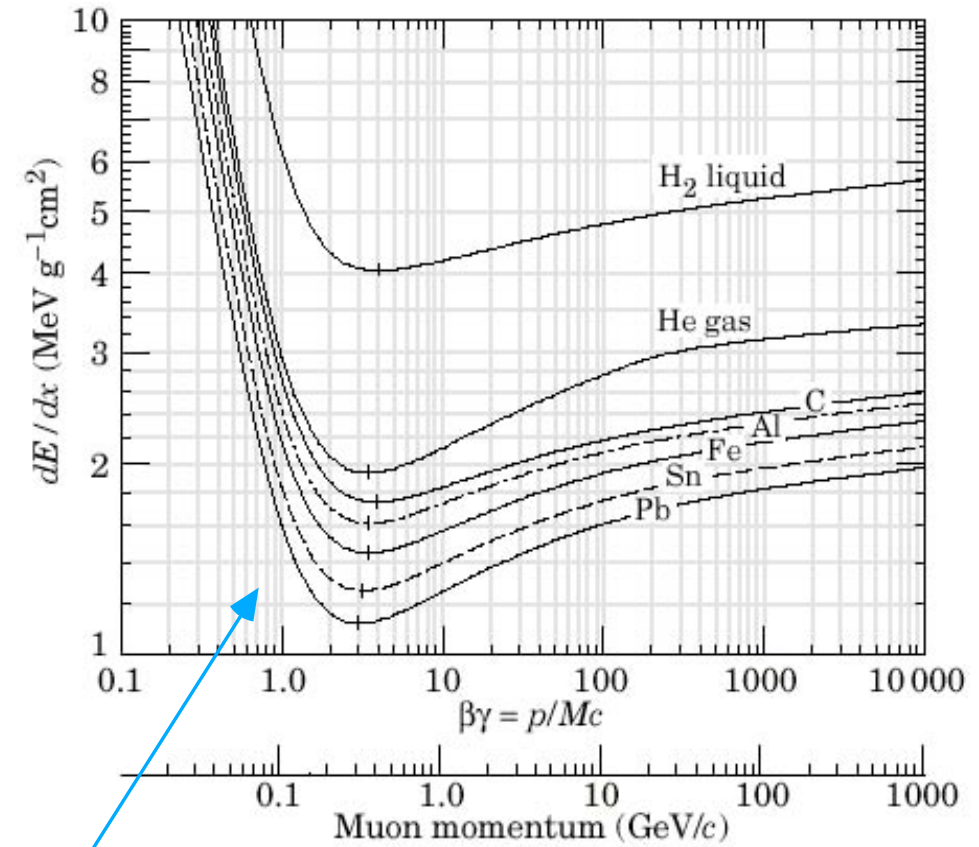


– Absorbers:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} E \rightarrow E - \left\langle \frac{dE}{dx} \right\rangle \Delta s \\ \theta \rightarrow \theta + \theta_{space}^{rms} \end{array} \right.$$

ionization energy loss

multiple Coulomb scattering



- RF cavities between absorbers replace  $\Delta E$
- Net effect: reduction in muon  $\Delta p_{\perp}$  at constant  $p_{\parallel}$ , i.e., transverse cooling

$$\frac{d\epsilon}{ds} \approx -\frac{1}{\beta^2} \left\langle \frac{dE_{\mu}}{ds} \right\rangle \frac{\epsilon_N}{E_{\mu}} + \frac{\beta_{\perp} (0.014 \text{ GeV})^2}{2\beta^3 E_{\mu} m_{\mu} X_0} \quad \text{(emittance change per unit length)}$$

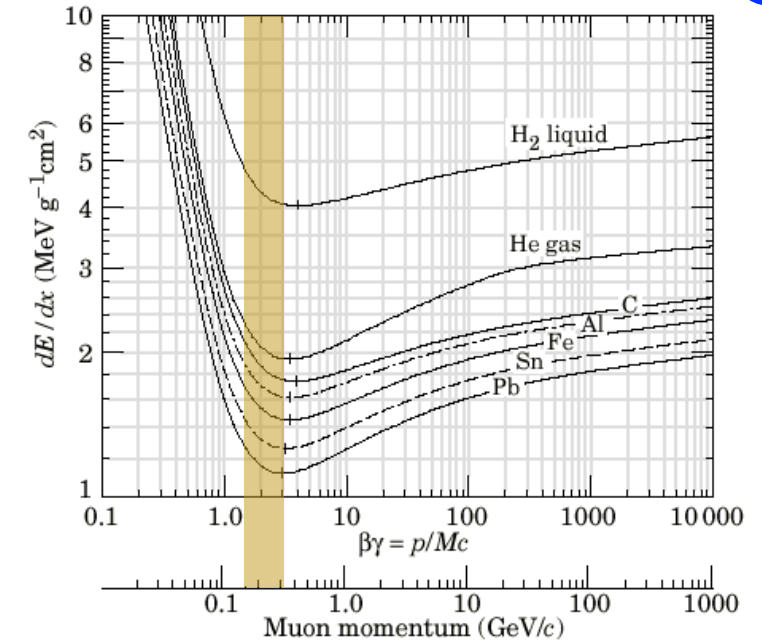
Note: It's “just Maxwell’s equations,” so in principle it *has* to work!

But complicated in practice... *so a test was essential!* → **MICE**

# Comments on Ionization Cooling

## 1. Effect is transverse only

- might hope to cool longitudinally via  $dE/dx$  curve's slight positive slope above ionization minimum
- but  $dE/dx$  “straggling” tail causes heating



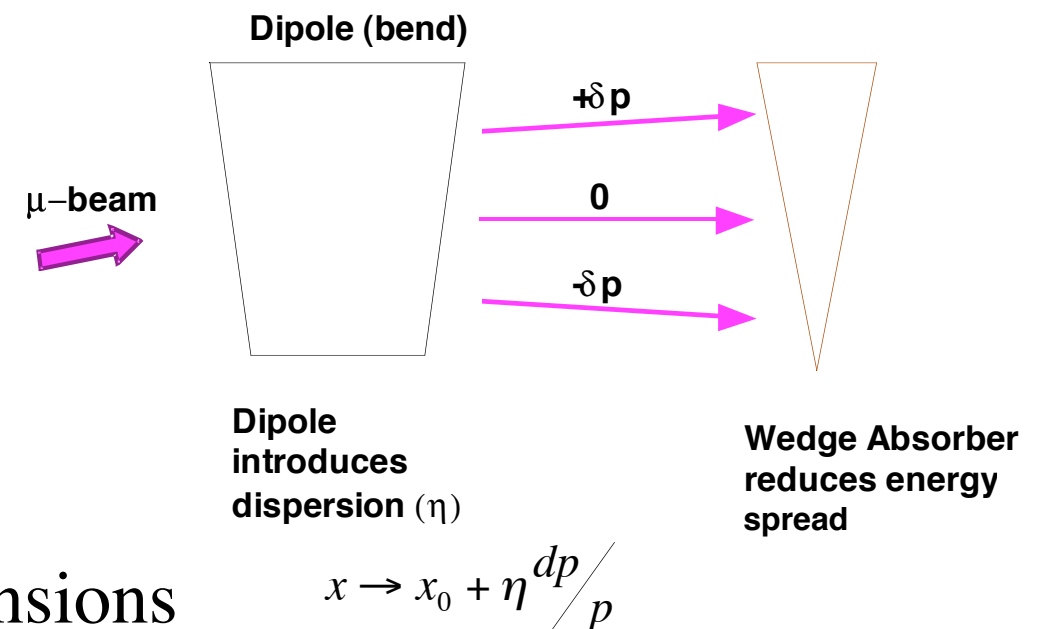
## 2. To optimize cooling requires:

- low  $\beta_{\perp}$  (via, e.g., SC solenoids)
- large- $X_0$  (low- $Z$ ) absorber material
- low  $E_{\mu}$  (typ.  $150 < p_{\mu} < 300 \text{ MeV}/c$ )

$$\frac{d\epsilon}{ds} \approx -\frac{1}{\beta^2} \left\langle \frac{dE_{\mu}}{ds} \right\rangle \frac{\epsilon_N}{E_{\mu}} + \frac{\beta_{\perp} (0.014 \text{ GeV})^2}{2\beta^3 E_{\mu} m_{\mu} X_0}$$

## 3. Can “rotate” portion of effect into longitudinal phase plane via “emittance exchange”

- allows cooling of all 6 phase-space dimensions

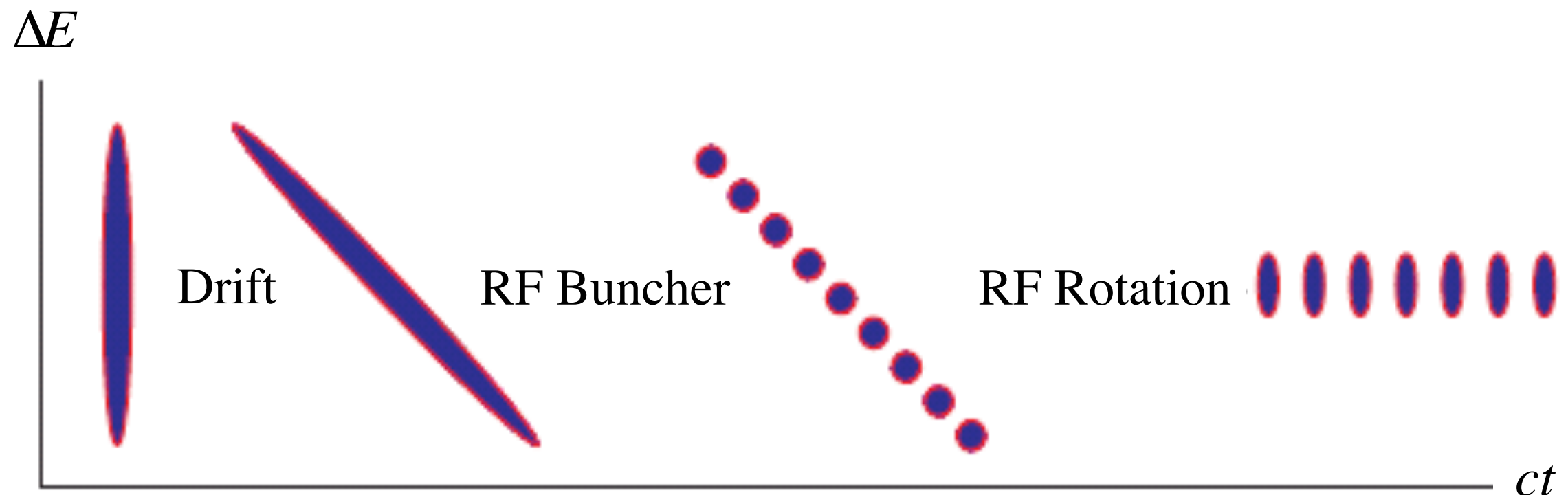




# Preparing for Ionization Cooling: Phase Rotation

**Example:** International Scoping Study (ISS) vF design [JINST 4, P07001 (2009)]

- Muons born with small  $\Delta t$  but large  $\Delta E$
- 1st bunch, then phase-rotate:



Bunching via RF “vernier” [D. Neuffer]

D. Neuffer *et al.* 2017 *JINST* 12 T11007

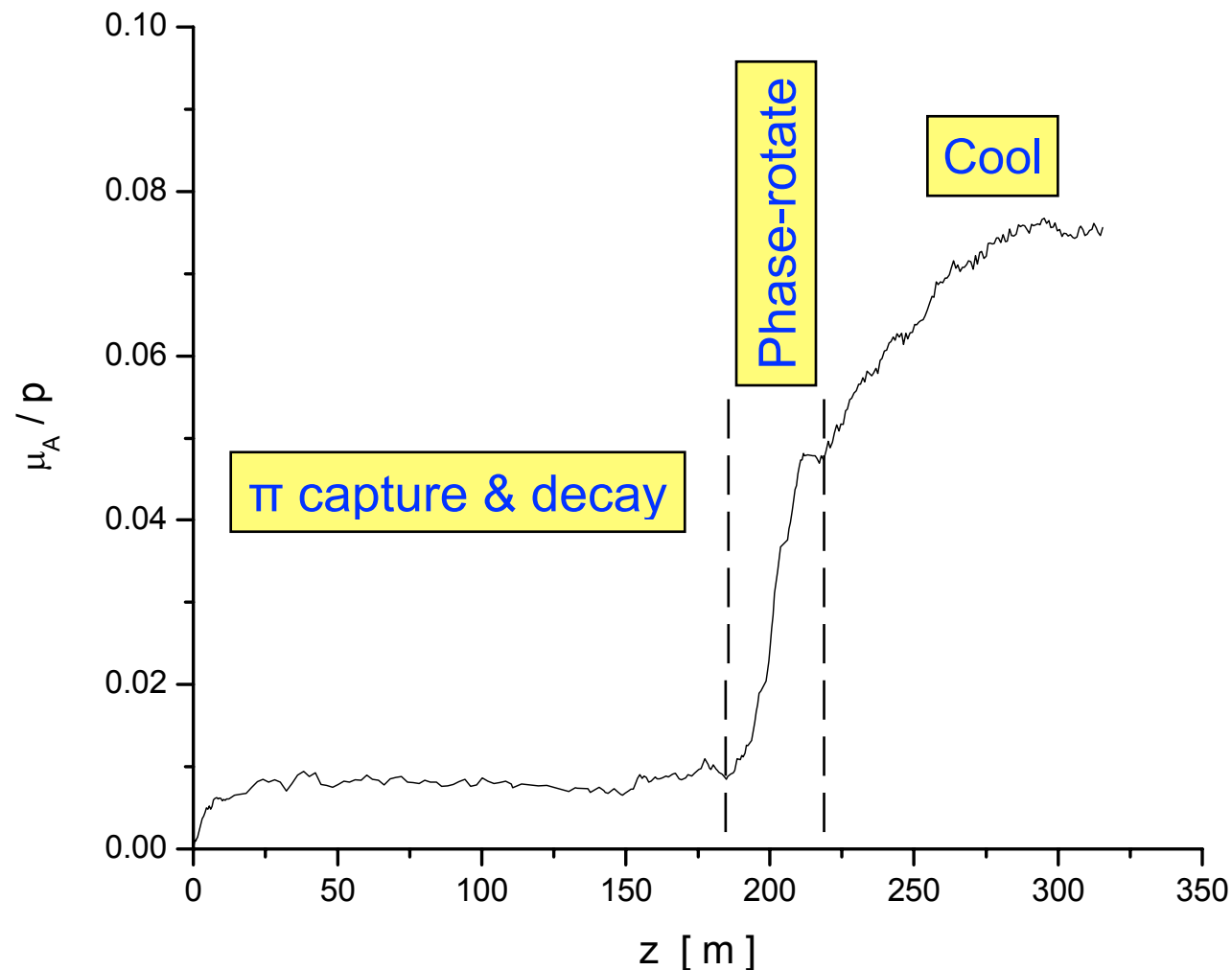
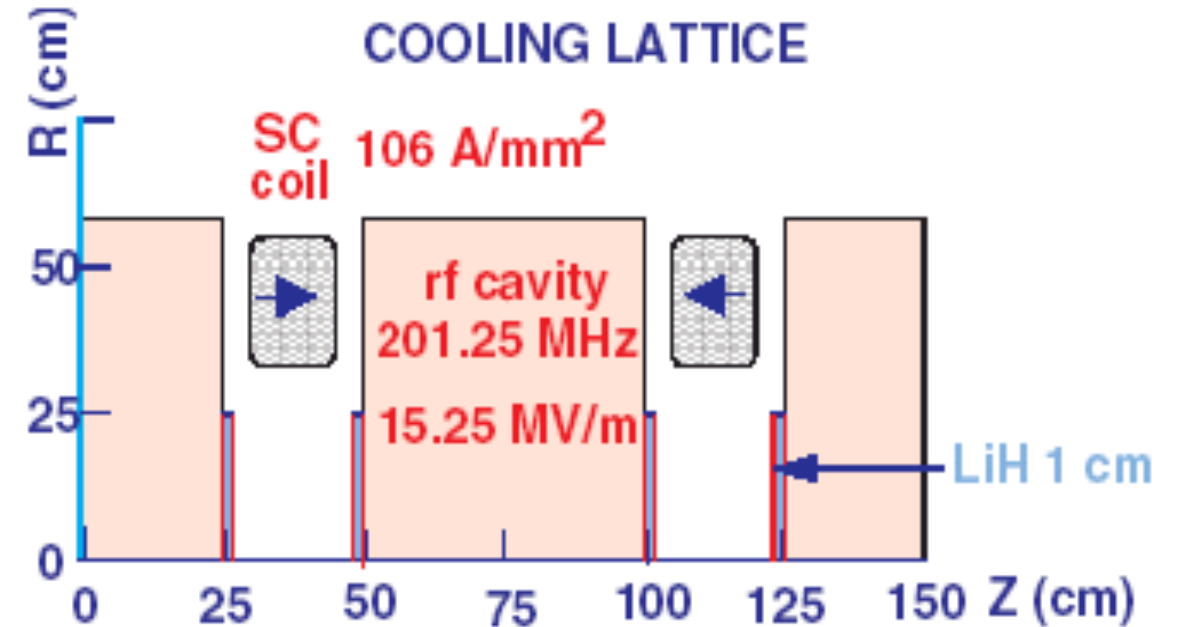
- uses several RF frequencies, starting at  $\approx 300$  MHz, decreasing to  $\approx 200$  MHz
- works for both signs at once  $\rightarrow$  train of alternating  $\mu^+$  and  $\mu^-$  bunches

# Transverse Ionization Cooling

## ISS scheme:

[M. Apollonio et al., JINST 4, 7 (2009) P07001]

- Cost-effective alternating-solenoid lattice
- Thin, Be-coated LiH absorbers double as RF-cavity windows

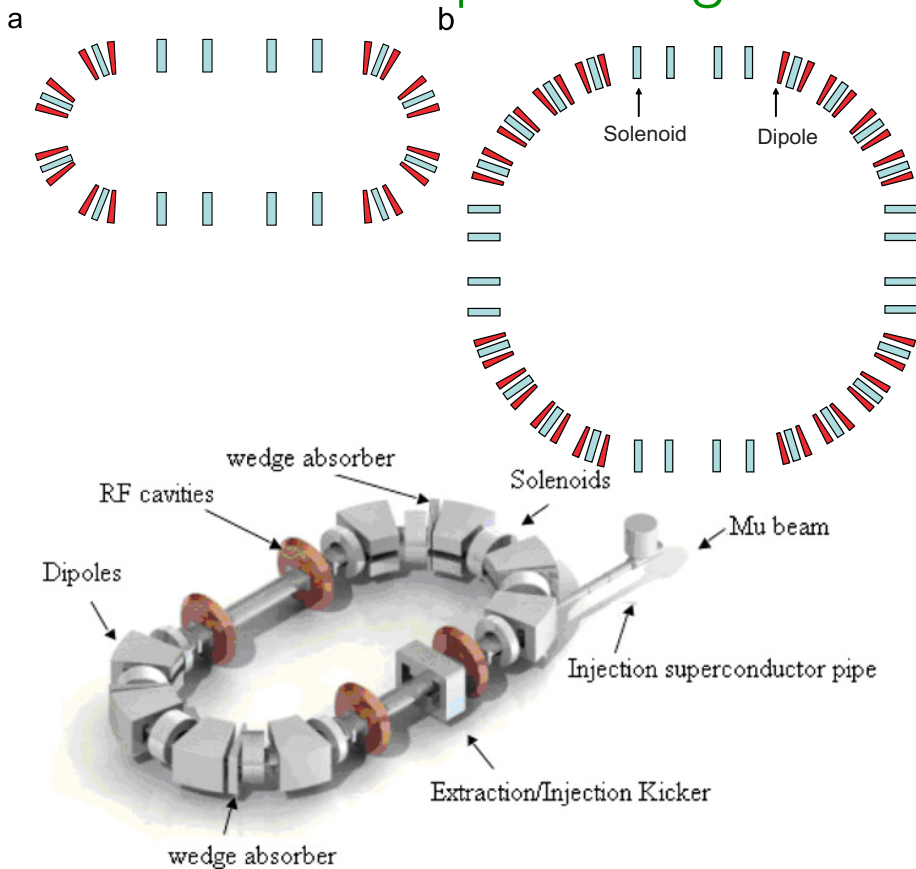


- 80m-long cooling channel increases muon intensity  $\times 1.6$ 
  - less expensive than higher-intensity proton driver and target
- Accepts and cools  $\mu^+$  and  $\mu^-$  simultaneously
- Superseded by Alexahin 6D scheme...

# 6D Cooling Approaches

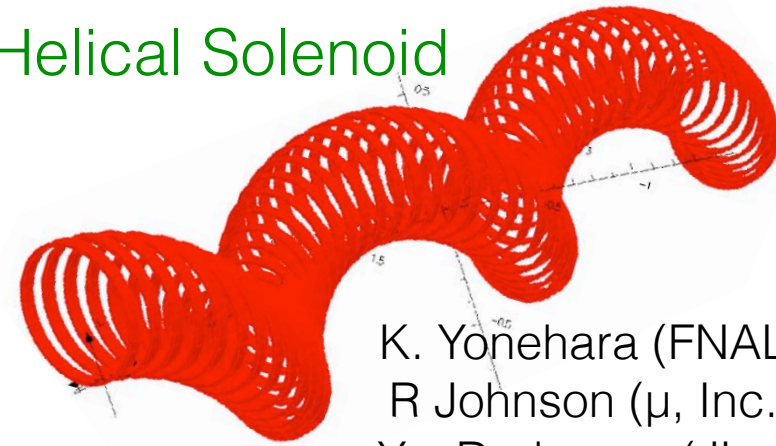
- Transverse ionization cooling self-limiting due to longitudinal-emittance growth, leading to particle losses
  - caused by energy-loss straggling plus channel's finite  $\Delta E$  acceptance
  - $\Rightarrow$  need longitudinal cooling for muon collider (also helpful for NF)
- Variety of cooling ring, wedge-absorber, & spiral lattices explored:

## Solenoid+Dipole Rings



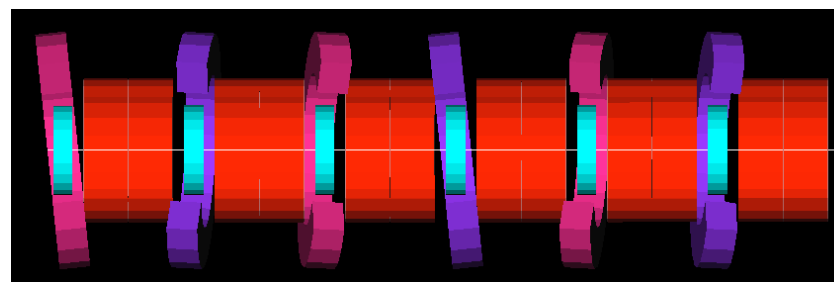
A. Garren, D Cline, et al. (UCLA-BNL)  
A. Garren *et al.*, NIM A 654 (2011) 40-44

## Helical Solenoid



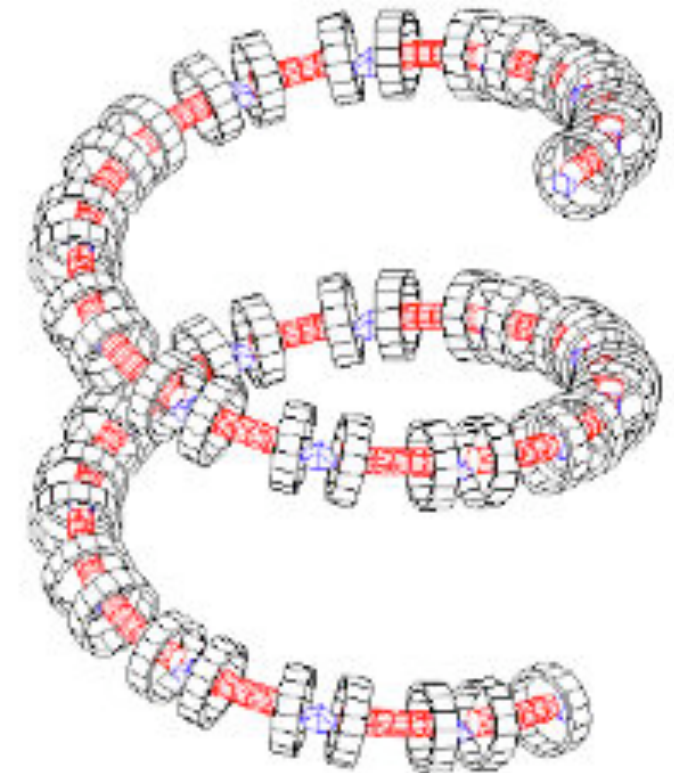
K. Yonehara (FNAL),  
R Johnson ( $\mu$ , Inc.),  
Ya. Derbenev (JLab)  
K. Yonehara 2018 JINST 13 P09003

## Helical FOFO "Snake"



Y. Alexahin (FNAL)  
D. Neuffer *et al.* 2017 JINST 12 T11007

## RFOFO "Guggenheim"



etc...

P. Snopok (UCR/IIT) et al.  
P. Snopok, G. Hanson, A. Klier, IJMP A 24 (2009) 987-998

$\rightarrow$  Helices avoid injection/extraction kickers & allow matching of  $\beta$  to  $\epsilon(s)$ ..

# 6D Cooling Approaches

- Guggenheim and HCC emerged as most practical
  - ring might still make cost-effective 6D demo
- But Guggenheim hard to engineer
- V. Balbekov realized it could be straightened into a “rectilinear FOFO” (R\_FOFO) channel
  - cools in  $6D \times 10^5$  with  $\beta^* \downarrow 3$  cm

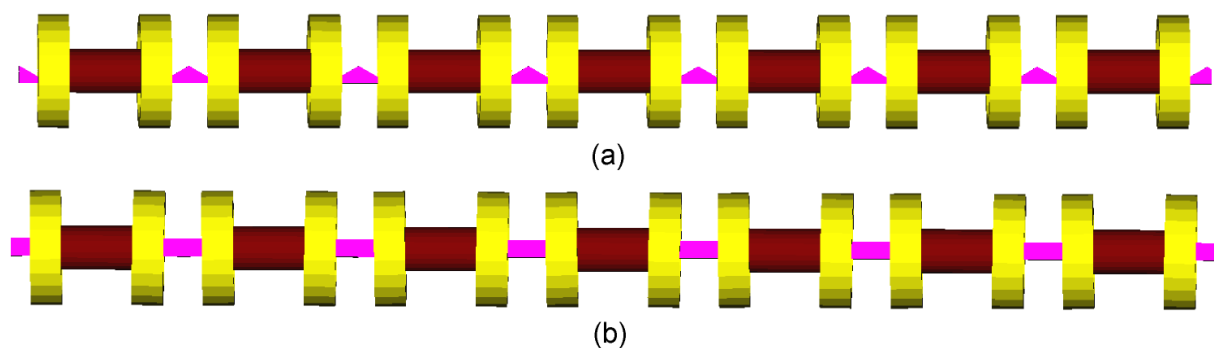
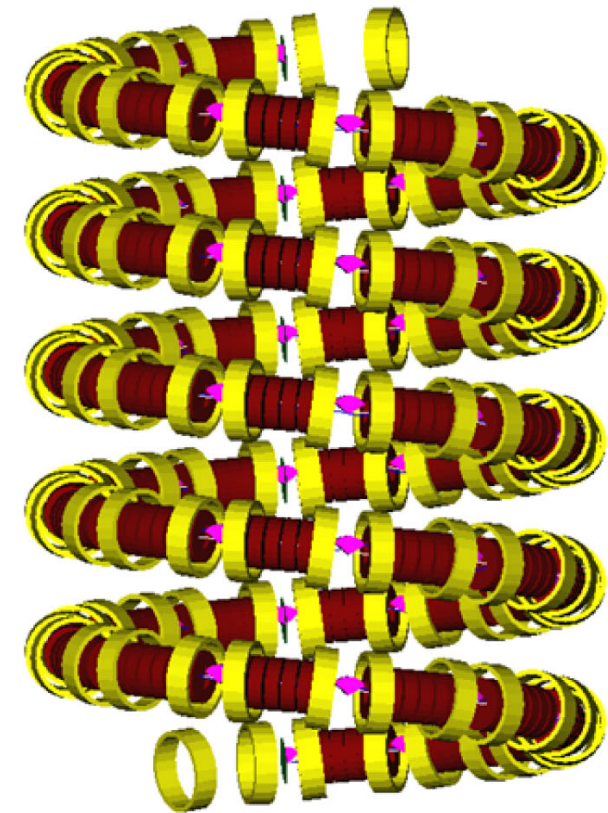
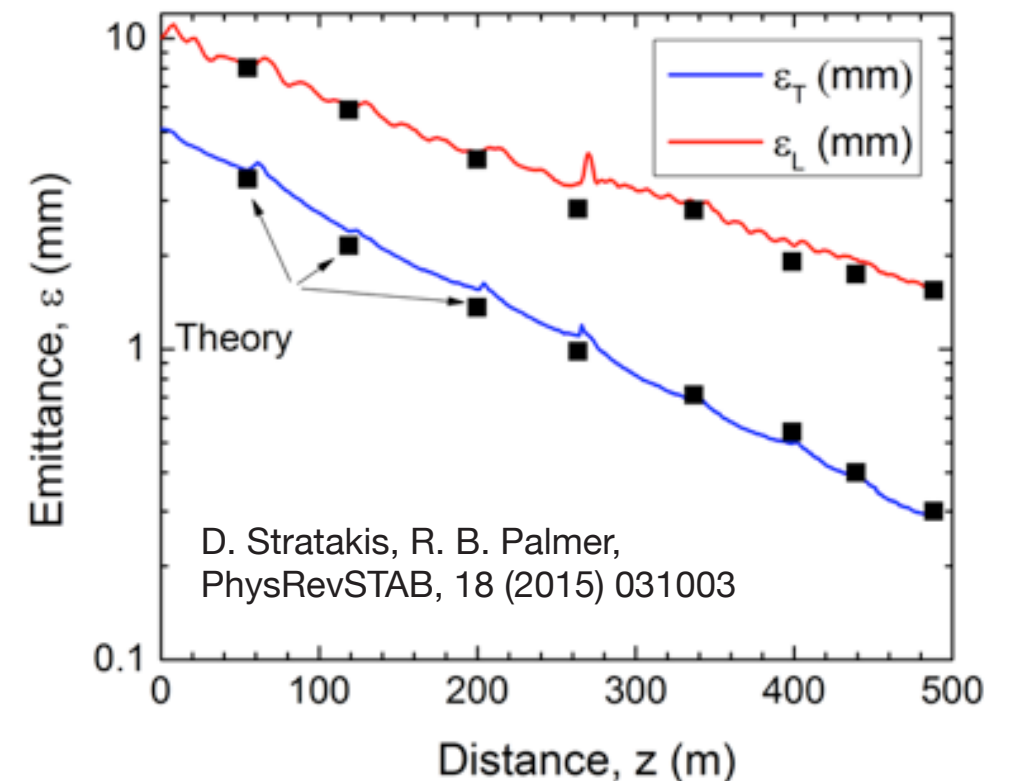


FIG. 2. Conceptual design of a rectilinear channel: (a) top view; (b) side view.



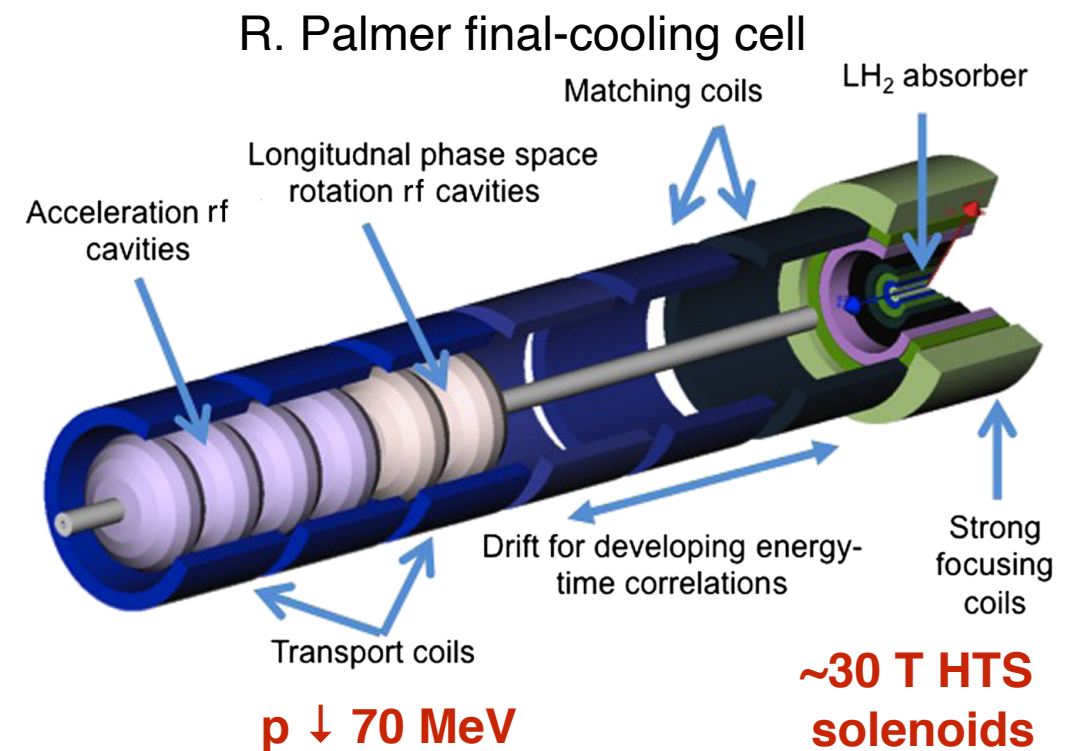
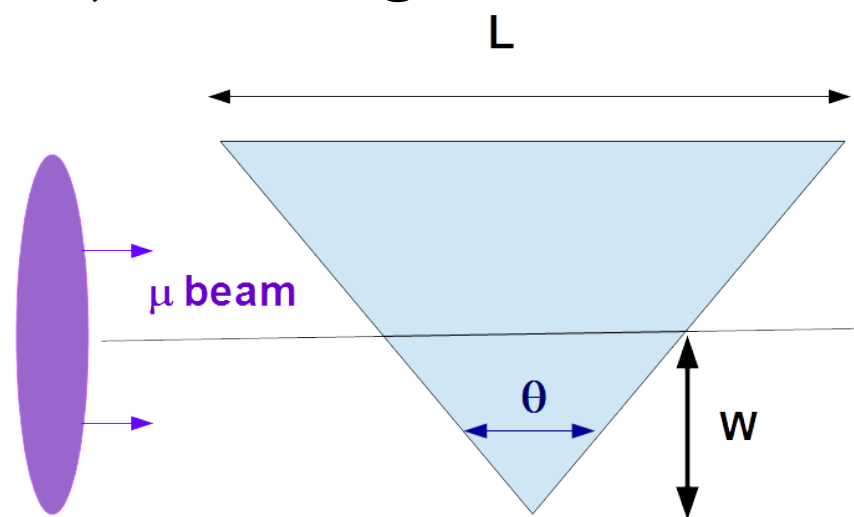


# Final Cooling

- HFQFO snake + R\_FQFO → good ( $10^{32}$ ) luminosity and superb ( $4 \times 10^{-5}$ ) energy spread needed for “Higgs Factory”
- For high-luminosity ( $> 10^{34}$ ) multi-TeV MC need more  $\perp$  & less  $\parallel$  cooling

⇒ use reverse emittance exchange, ideally with some  $\perp$  cooling?

⇒ or just wedge absorbers?



⇒ or quadrupole-focused cooling channel?

# Final Cooling

- Can quad focusing reach lower  $\beta$  than SC solenoids?
  - cf. collider final-focus optics
  - recently revisited\* by D. Summers *et al.*

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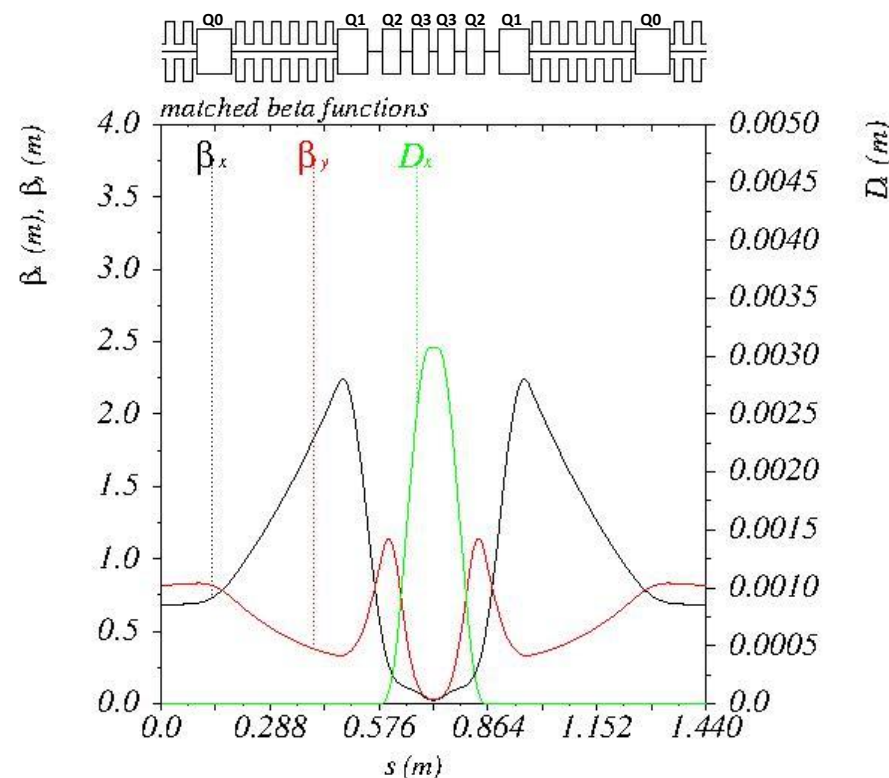
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MUON ACCELERATORS FOR PARTICLE PHYSICS — MUON

Unconventional ideas for ionization cooling of muons

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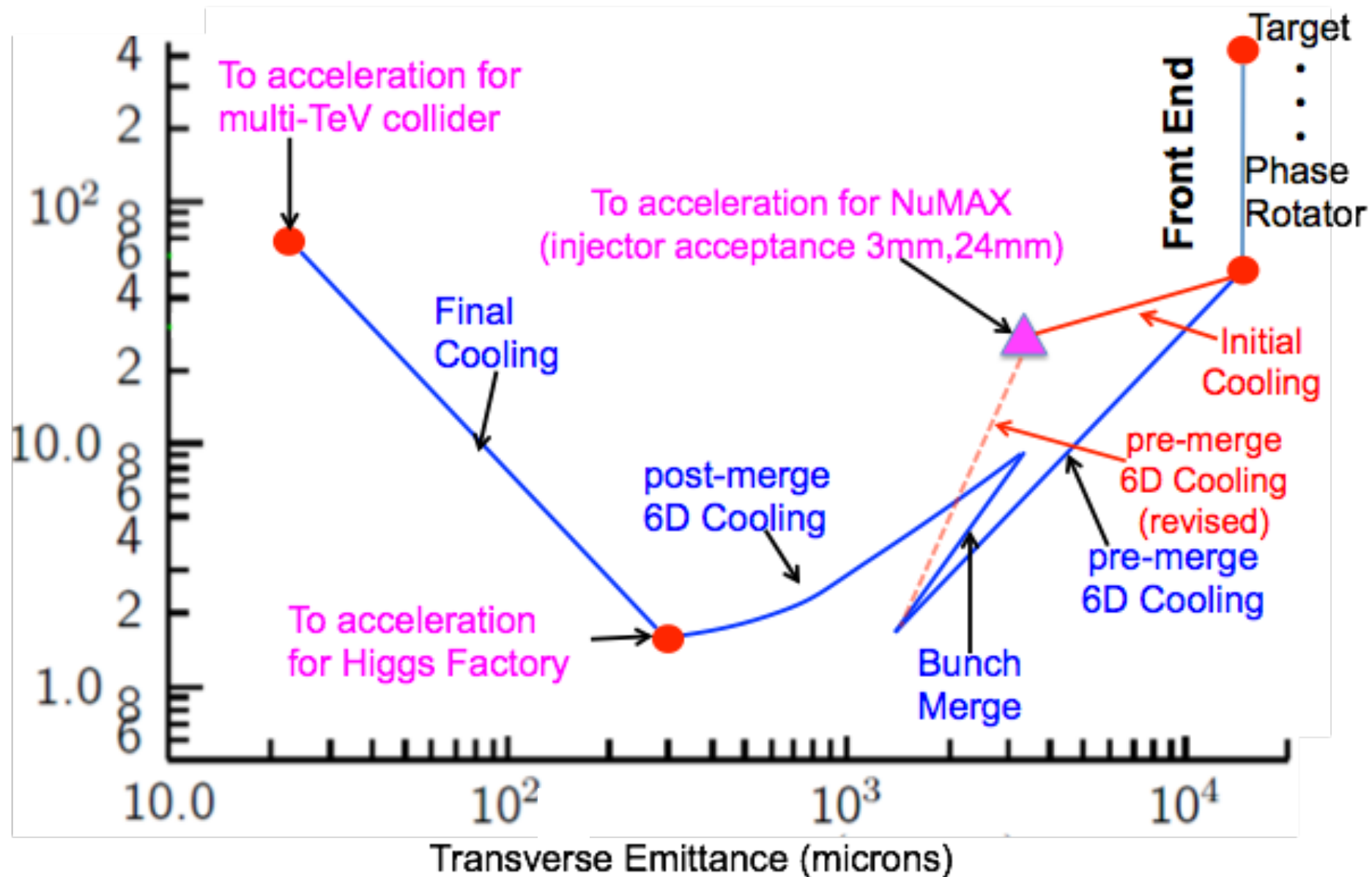
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- SC-quad + wedge approach proposed for x5 reduction in final 6D emittance

\* cf. C. Johnstone, M. Berz, D. Errede, K. Makino, NIM A 519 (2004) 472-482



# Muon Collider Cooling Scheme



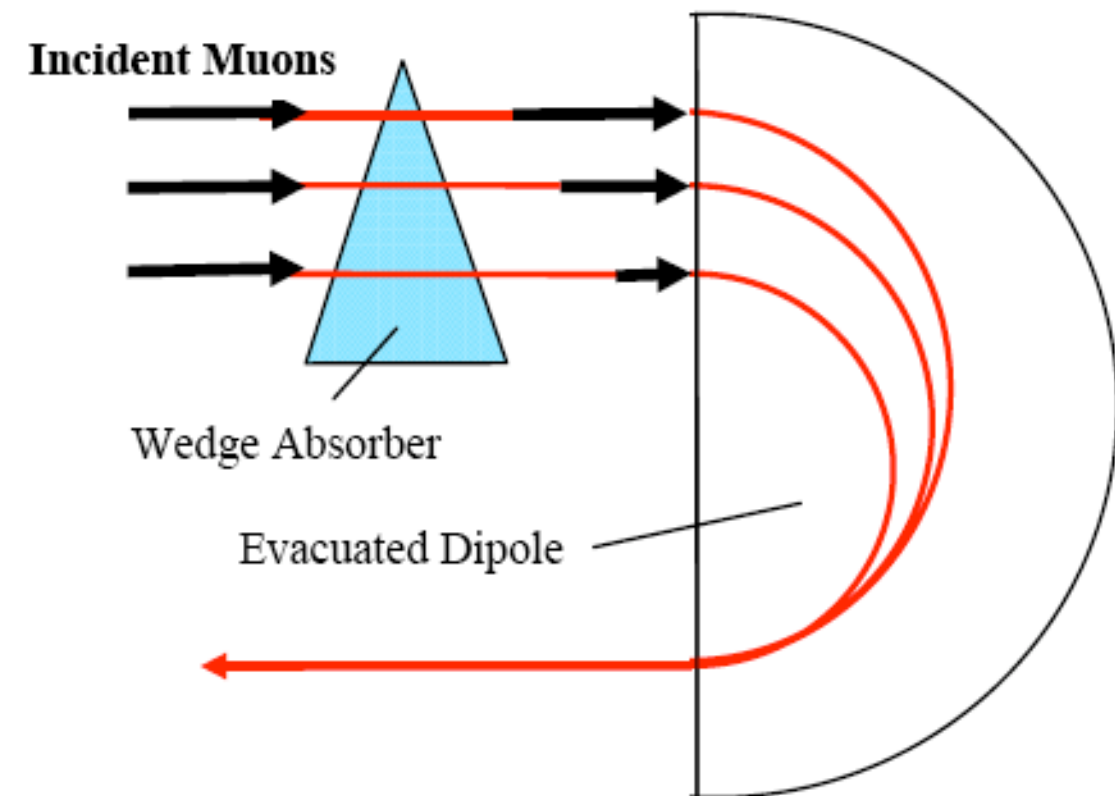
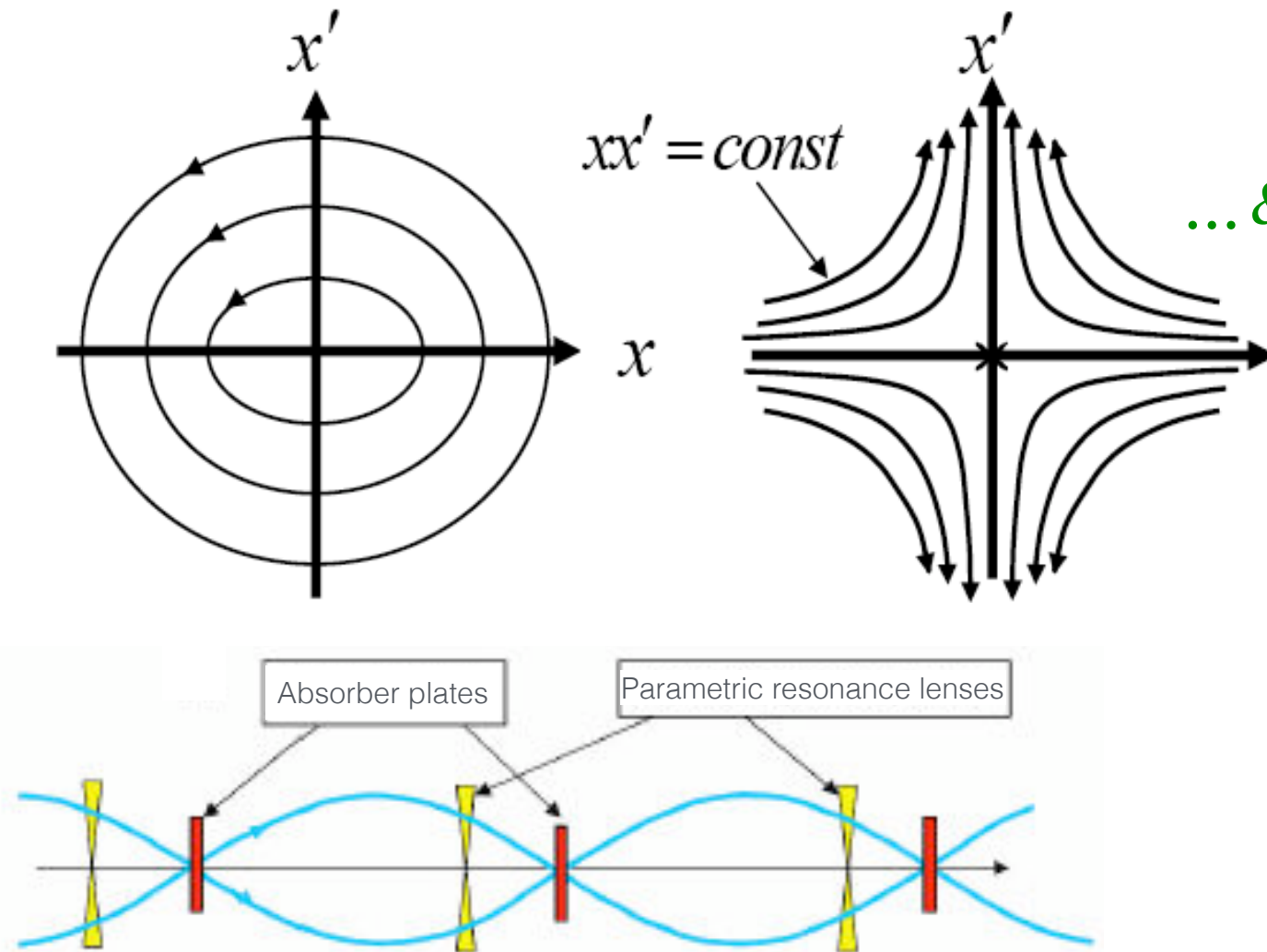
# “Extreme Cooling”

Ya. Derbenev (JLab), R. Johnson (Muons, Inc.)

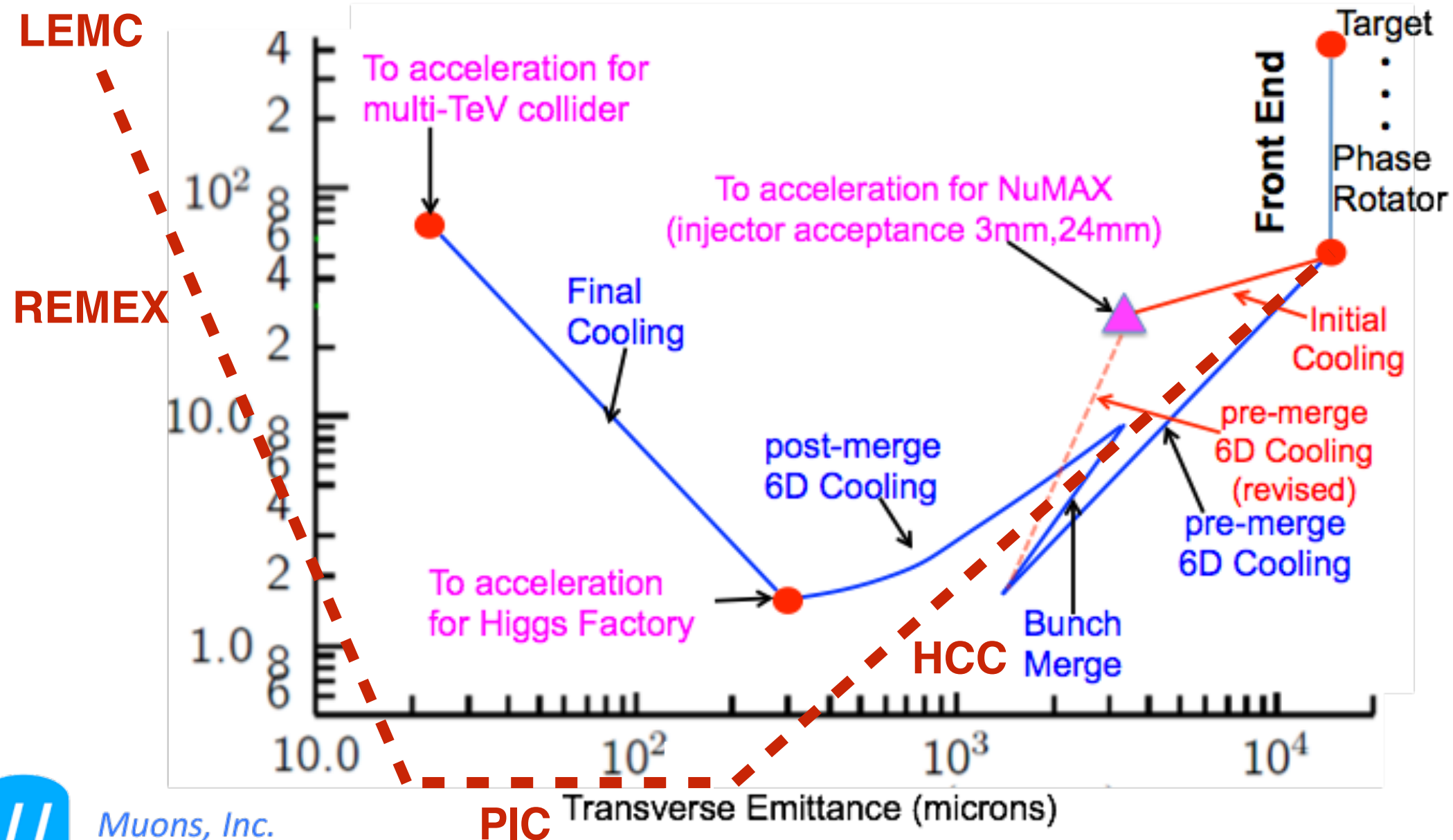
- Can cool beam yet further with new approaches:

- Parametric-resonance Ionization Cooling (PIC)...

... & Reverse Emittance Exchange (REMEX):



# Muon Collider Cooling Scheme



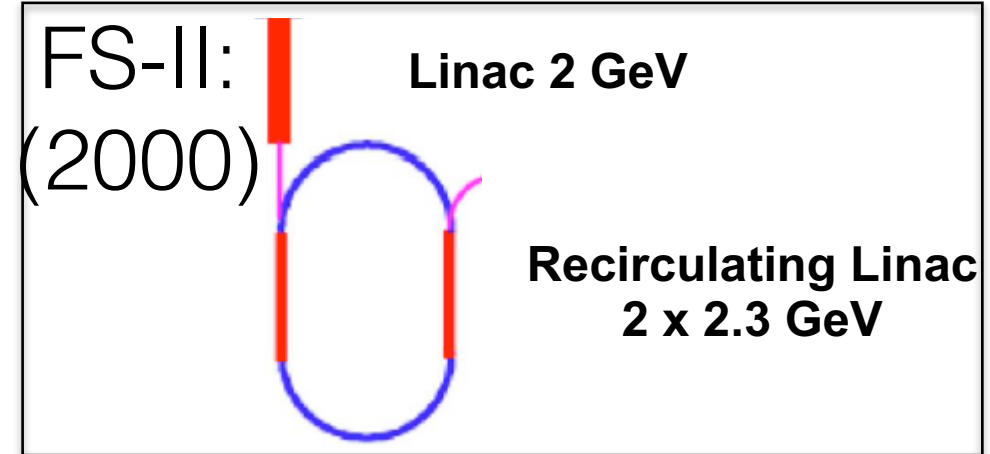
Muons, Inc.  
Innovation in Research

→ More than one way to skin this cat...

# Rapid Muon Acceleration

- Conventional synchrotrons far too slow!
- After cooling, muons at  $\approx 200 \text{ MeV}/c$   
 $\Rightarrow$  must start with linac
- Subsequent stages:

- previously (FS-I and -II) racetrack RLAs
- better: dogbone RLAs (D. Summers idea) and novel, non-scaling FFAGs



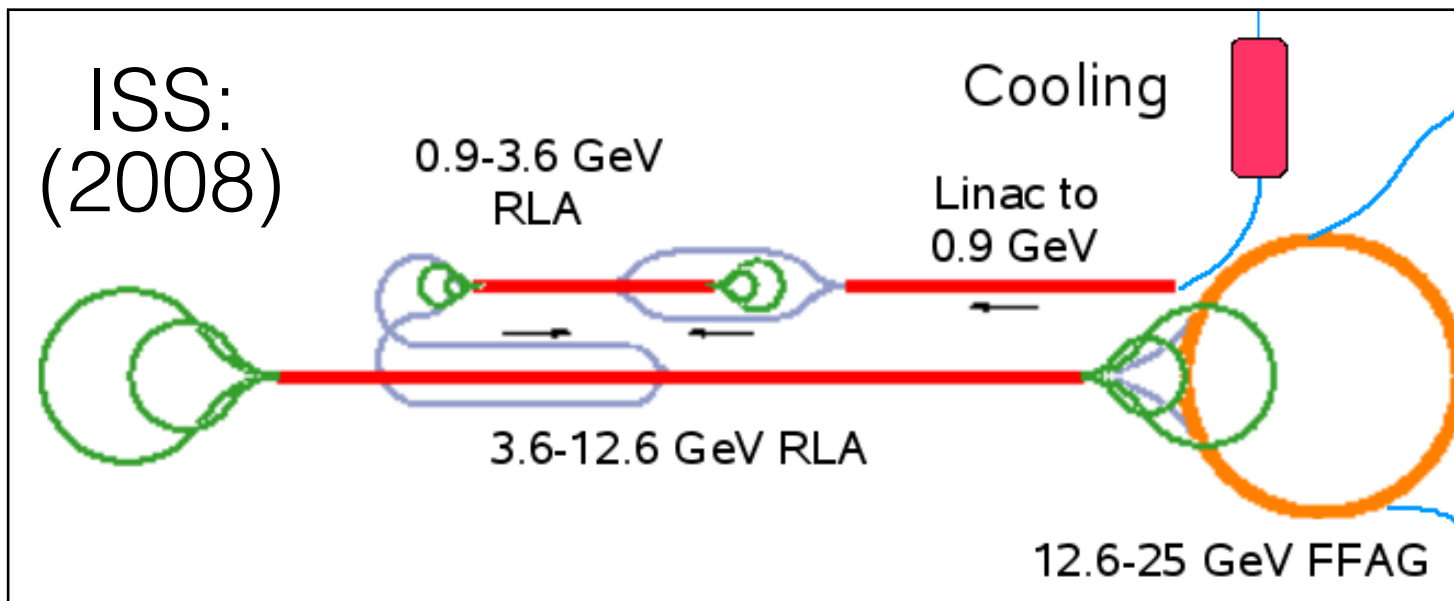
— and very-RCS:

### Modify the 400 GeV Main Ring

- 70  $\rightarrow$  750 GeV in 68 orbits (1.4 ms).  
 10 GeV of 1.3 GHz, 30 MV/m SRF.  
 Muon Survival = 79%.  $r = 1000 \text{ m}$ .
- FODO Lattice 30.45 m Long Half Cell.  
 3.3 m, 160 Hz, 30 T/m Quadrupoles.  
 3.2 m, 8 Tesla Superconducting Dipoles.  
 5.7 m, 360 Hz,  $\mp 1.8 \text{ Tesla}$  Dipoles.  
 Dipoles oppose, then act in unison.  
 Eddy Currents: Thin copper wire and  
 .28mm grain oriented Si steel laminations.

Q	$\mp 1.8 \text{ T}$	+8T	$\mp 1.8 \text{ T}$	+8T	$\mp 1.8 \text{ T}$	Q
F	Dipole	Dip.	Dipole	Dip.	Dipole	D

- 1.5 TeV  $\mu^+ \mu^-$  Collisions in the MI Tunnel.  
 Little civil construction. Existing tunnels.



Or the LHC? D. Neuffer, V. Shiltsev, "On the feasibility of a pulsed 14 TeV c.m.e. muon collider in the LHC tunnel," *JINST* 13 (2018) 10, T10003

(from D. Summers, "Muon Acceleration to 750 GeV in the Fermilab Tevatron Tunnel," NFMCC mtg, UCLA, 2/1/07)





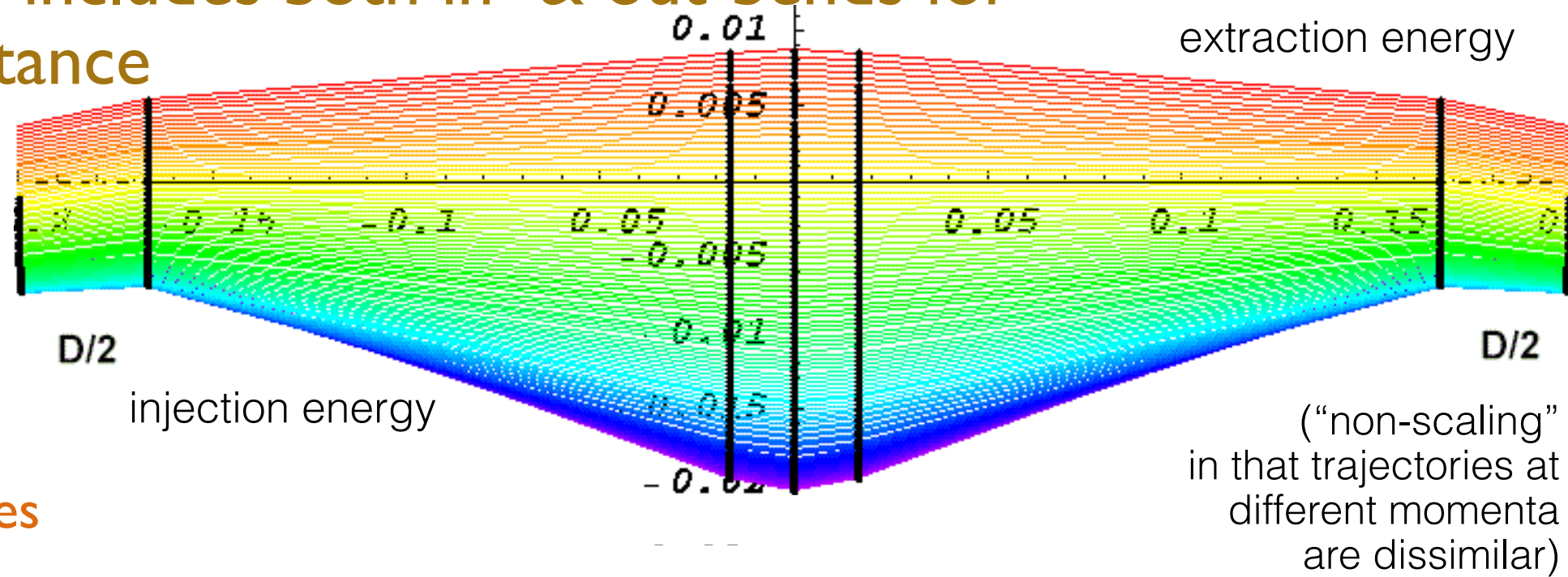
# Non-Scaling FFAG Acceleration

J. S. Berg (BNL), C. Johnstone (FNAL)

- Fixed-field lattice includes both in- & out-bends for large  $\Delta p/p$  acceptance

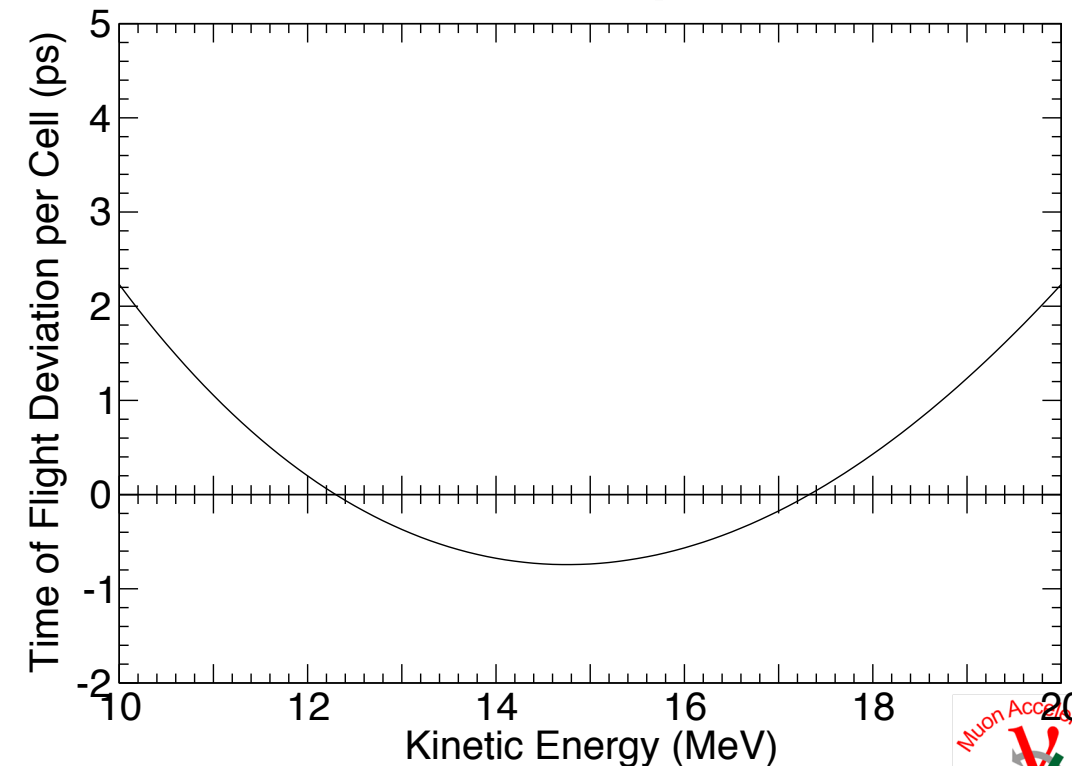
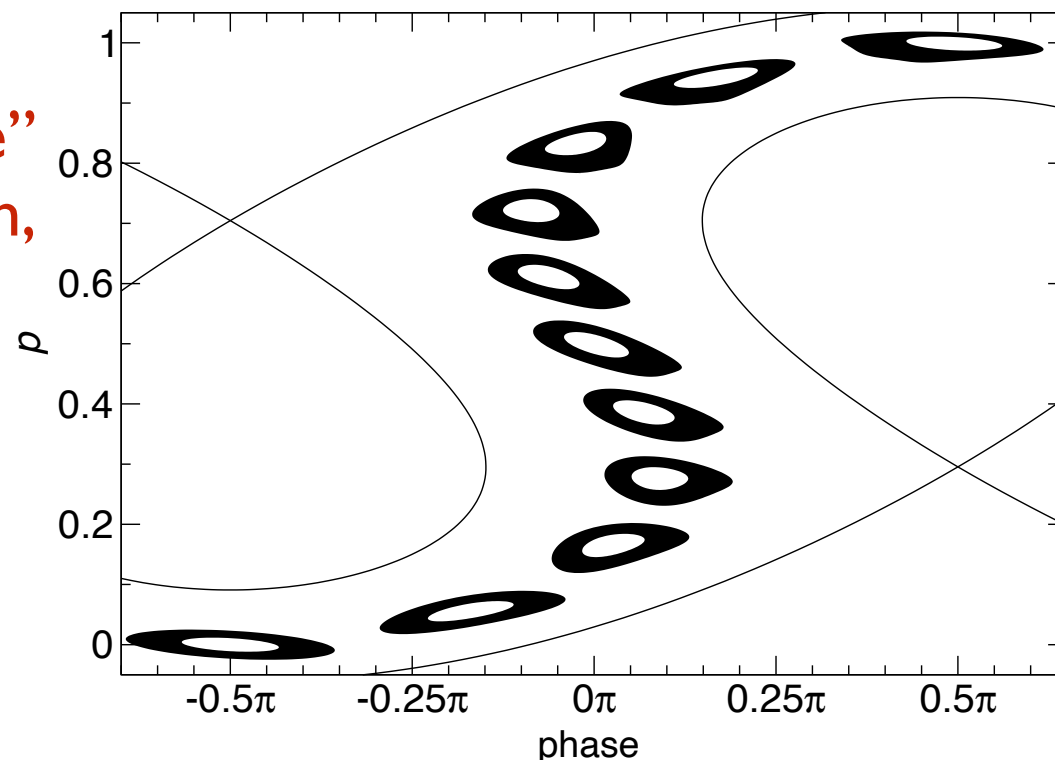
— beam trajectories move from inside ring at injection to outside at extraction

— seems lower-cost than other approaches



- Beam timing could make synchronization with RF buckets impractical

⇒ could use “serpentine” acceleration, *between* buckets



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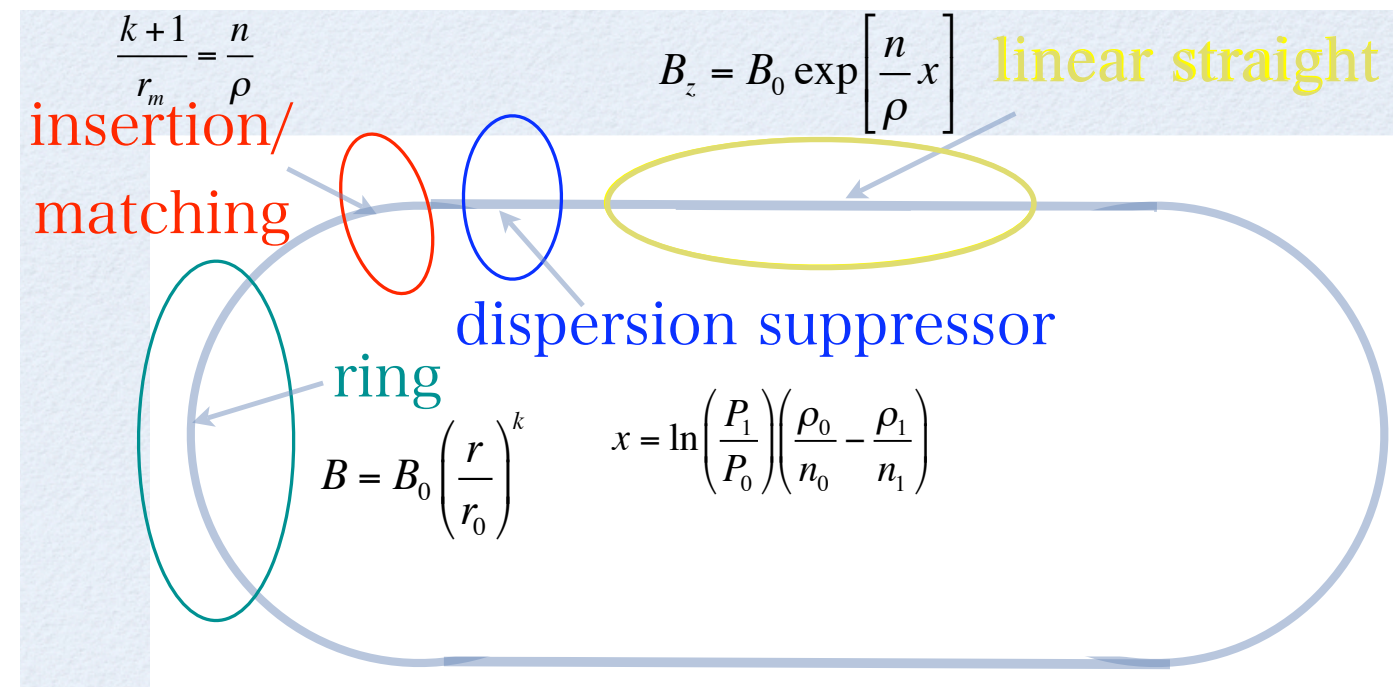
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# “Advanced FFAG” Idea (2009)

Y. Mori, T. Planche, J.-B. Lagrange, *et al.* (Kyoto U.)

- **Scaling FFAGs have attractive features**
  - fixed field  $\Rightarrow$  no ramping, allows rapid acceleration
  - zero chromaticity  $\Rightarrow$  constant tunes
- **But also drawbacks: large dispersion  $\Rightarrow$  large orbit excursion**
  - large-aperture magnets & RF cavities  $\Rightarrow$  low RF frequency
  - short straight section  $\Rightarrow$  injection/extraction difficult
  - limited space for cavities
- **“Advanced” scaling FFAGs:**
  - sol’n for straight insertion with dispersion suppression
  - eases above problems
  - allows harmonic-number-jump instead of serpentine acceleration

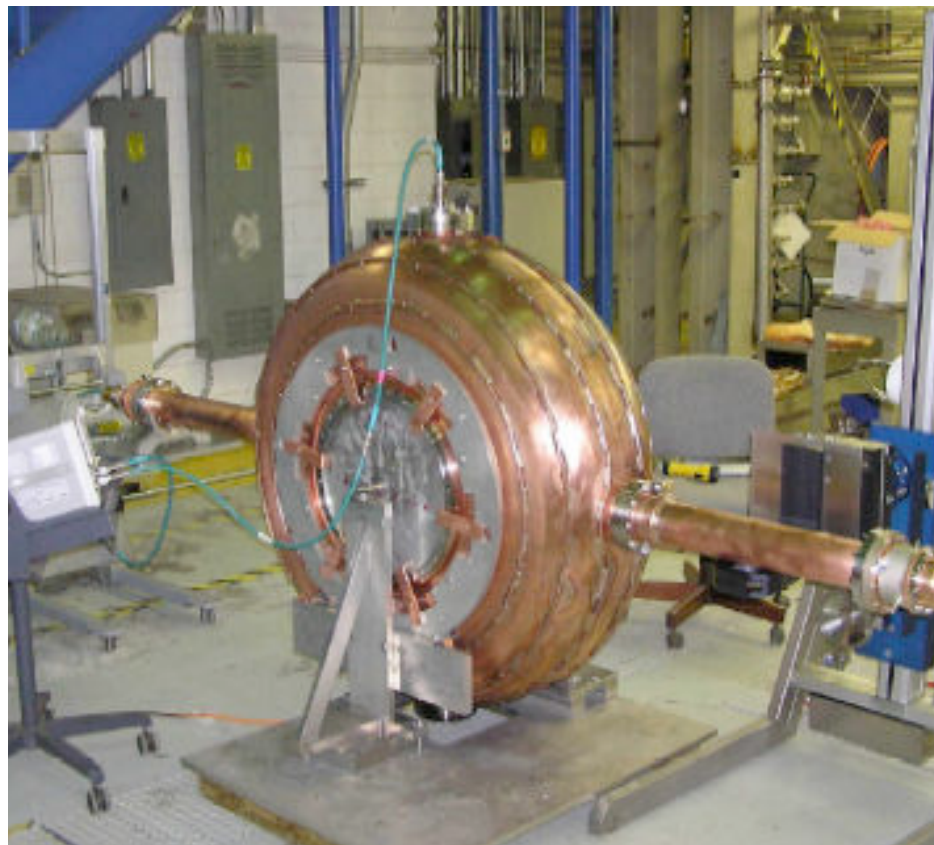




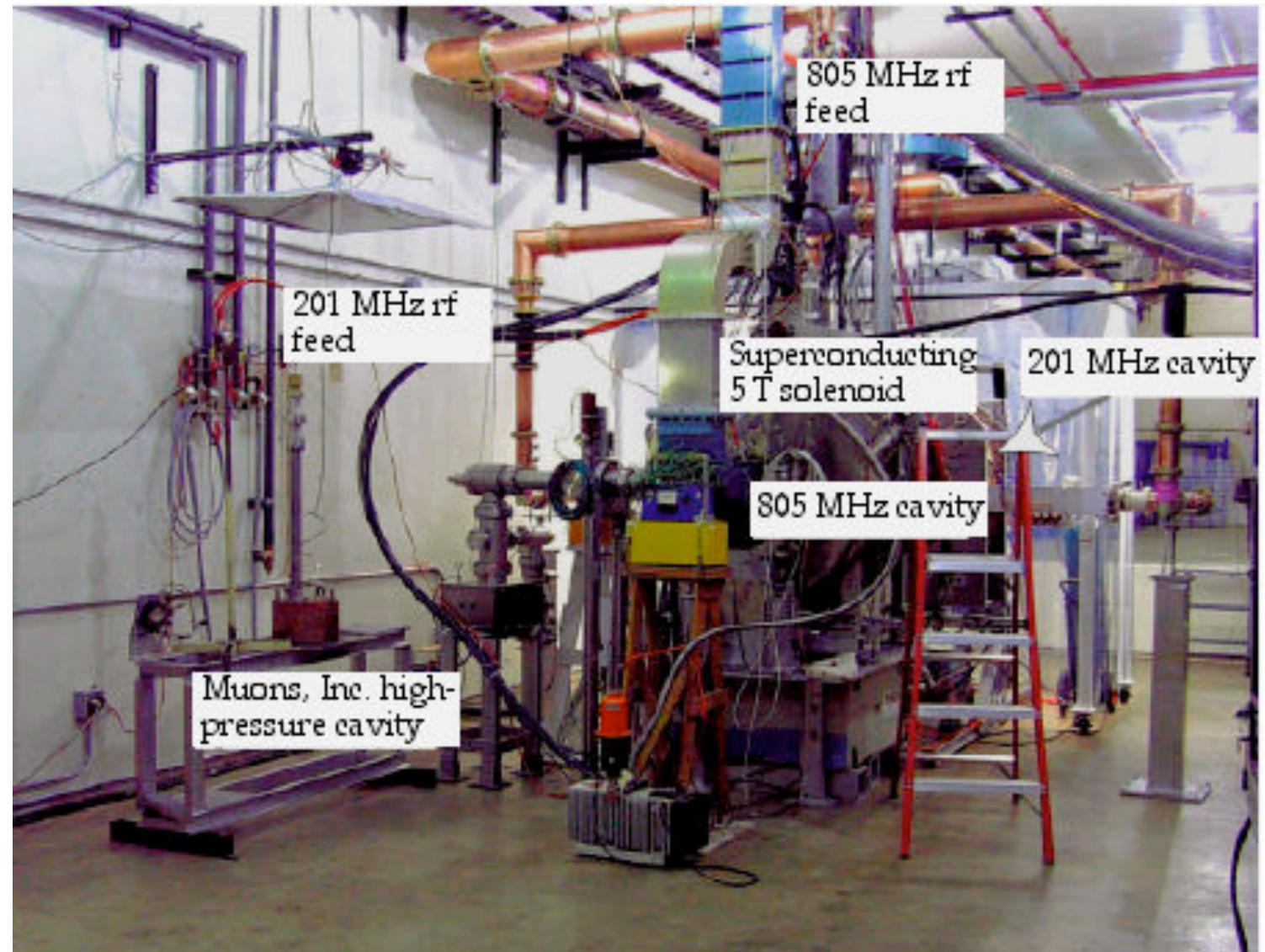
# R&D Efforts

\*(not muCool - that's an effort at PSI on cooling a very low-energy  $\mu^+$  beam)

- **MuCool\***: Operation of high-gradient RF cavities in strong solenoidal fields Focused dark currents tend to cause breakdown
  - to cool large initial  $\mu$  beam, want high-gradient, moderate-frequency, normal-conducting RF cavities operable in high magnetic focusing fields
  - tests at FNAL MuCool Test Area ( $\approx 2005-17$ ) – 2 solutions found:
    - Vacuum RF cells closed with thin Be windows  
(for higher on-axis field)  
D. Bowring *et al.*, PRAB 23 (2020) 7, 072001
    - H<sub>2</sub>-pressurized cavities  
B. Freemire *et al.*, PRAB 19 (2016) 6, 062004



**Prototype 201-MHz cavity**



# Muon Facility Feasibility Demonstrations

- Multi-MW targets: MERIT @ CERN nTOF facility
- Transverse ionization cooling: MICE @ RAL ISIS synchrotron
- Non-scaling FFAG acceleration: EMMA @ DL
- 6D helical cooling: MANX proposal (not approved)

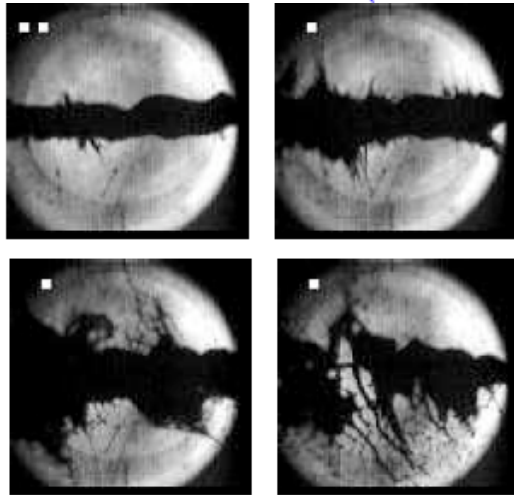


# MERIT (MERcury Intense Target):

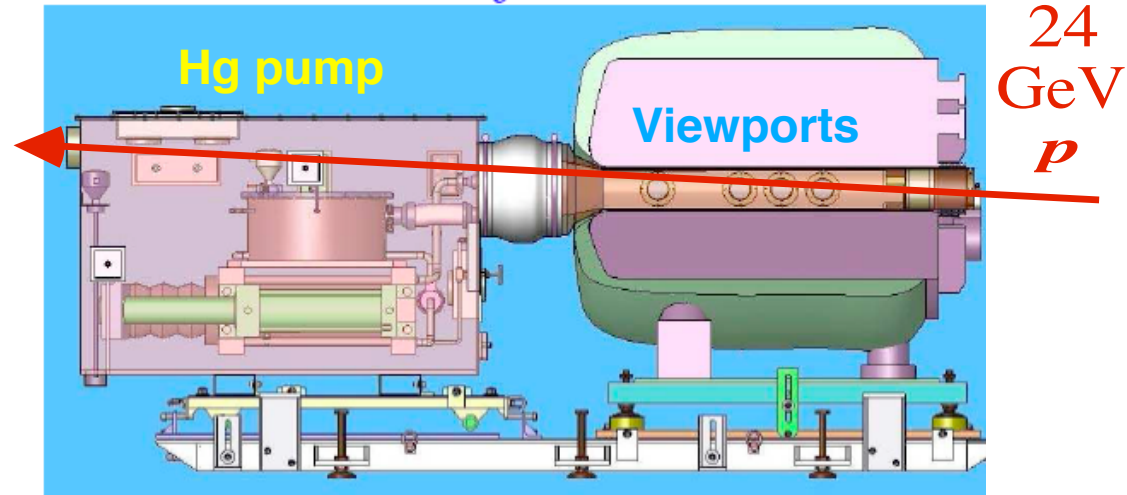
H. Kirk (BNL), K. McDonald (Princeton), I. Efthymiopoulos (CERN), *et al.*

- Proof-of-principle demonstration of Hg-jet target for 4 MW proton beam, contained in a 15 T solenoid for maximal collection of soft secondary pions

BNL E-951 (2001)



MERIT cutaway view:



15-T NC pulsed solenoid:

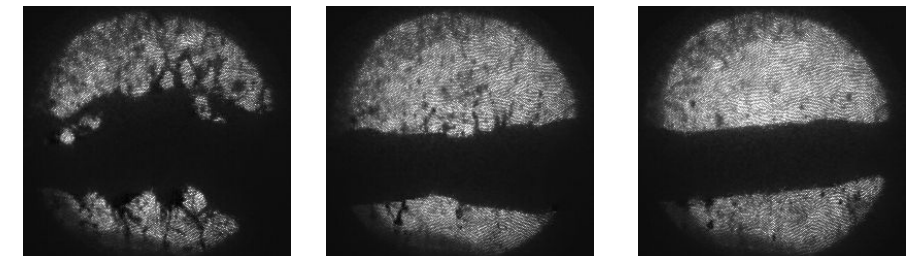


- Key parameters:

- Used CERN PS  $p$  beam 2 14 & 24 GeV, up to  $3 \times 10^{13} p / 2 \mu s$  spill in  $\leq 8$  bunches (“pump/probe”)
- $\sigma_r$  of proton bunch  $\leq 1.5$  mm, beam axis at 67 mrad to magnet axis
- Hg jet of 1 cm diameter,  $v = 20$  m/s, jet axis at 33 mrad to magnet axis
- Each proton intercepts Hg jet over 30 cm = 2 interaction lengths

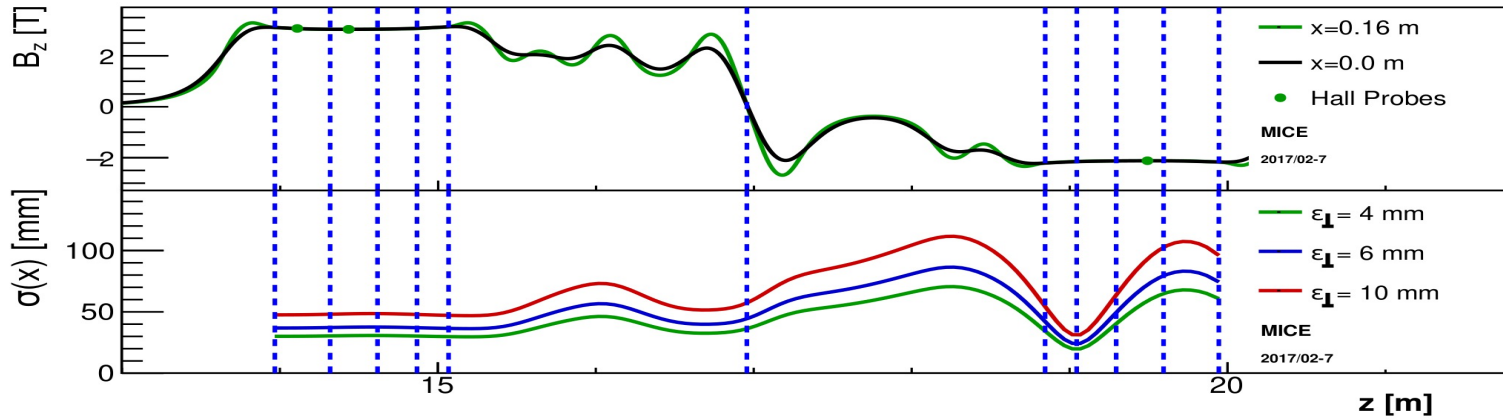
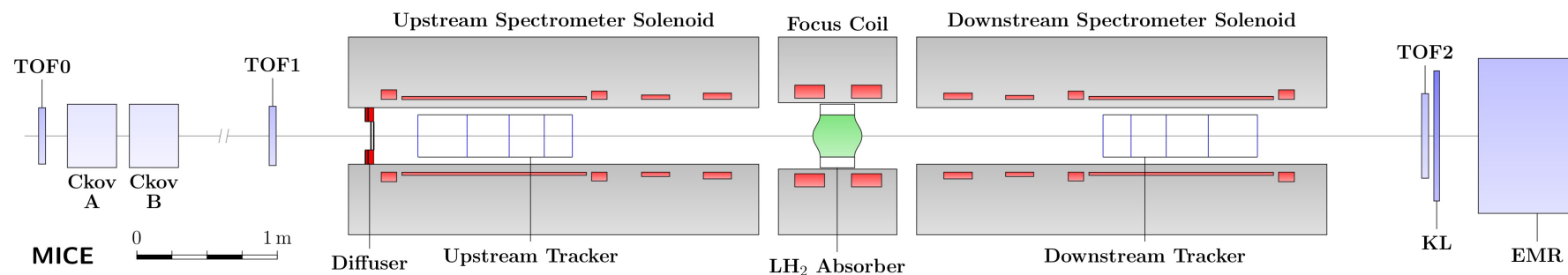
- Ran Oct. 22 – Nov. 12, 2007; conclude:

- Hg jet disruption mitigated by magnetic field
- Hg ejection velocities reduced by magnetic field
- Pion production remains viable up to 350  $\mu s$  after previous beam impact
- 170 kHz operation possible for sub-disruption-threshold beam intensities
- 20 m/s operations allows 70 Hz operations
- 115 kJ pulse containment demonstrated



}  $\Rightarrow$  8 MW capability demonstrated!

# Muon Ionization Cooling Experiment (MICE)



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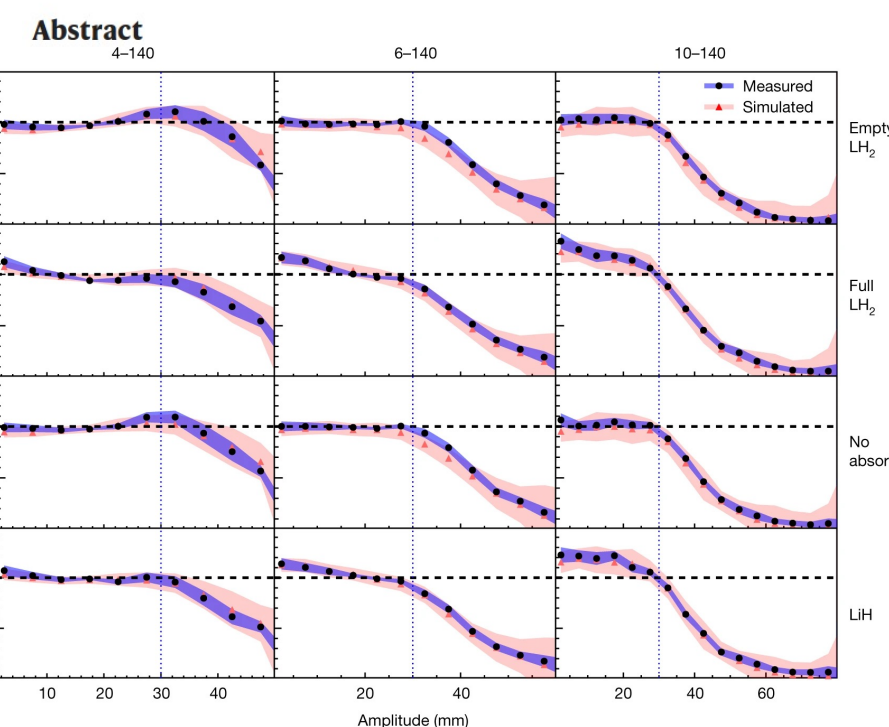
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## Demonstration of cooling by the Muon Ionization Cooling Experiment

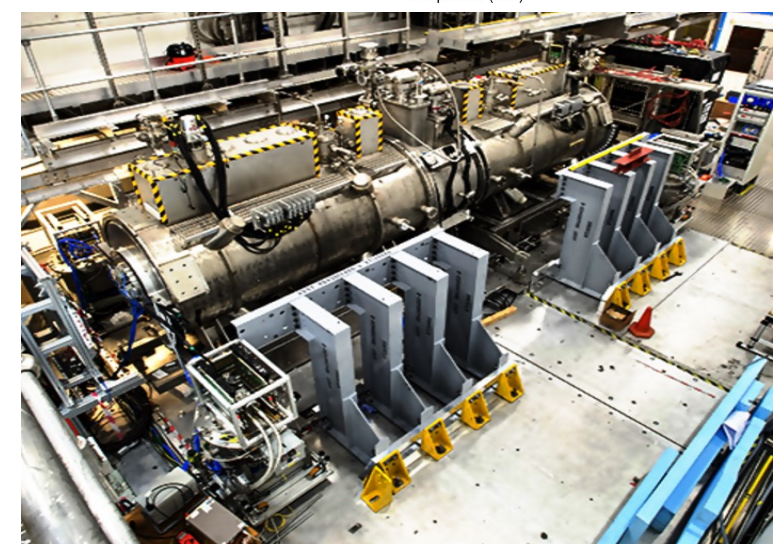
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- Muon ionization cooling has been demonstrated by MICE @ RAL Asia/Europe/U.K./U.S. collaboration
    - with muons @ ~140 MeV/c
    - each muon individually measured
  - But
    - transverse cooling only
    - no re-acceleration
    - no intensity effects
    - larger-emittance beams ( $\geq 4 \text{ mm}\cdot\text{rad}$ )
  - Further analyses in progress
- Data and Monte Carlo in good agreement

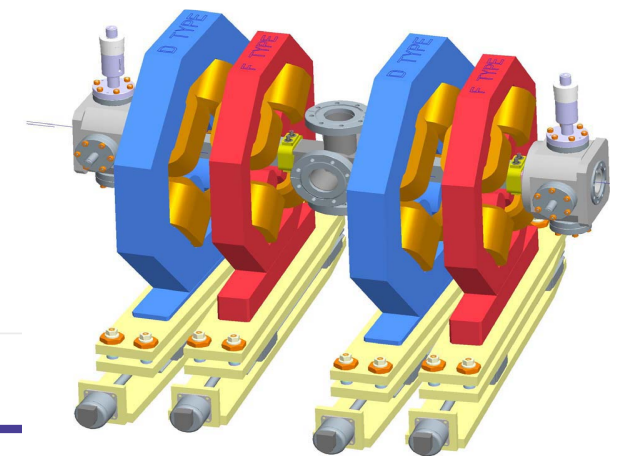
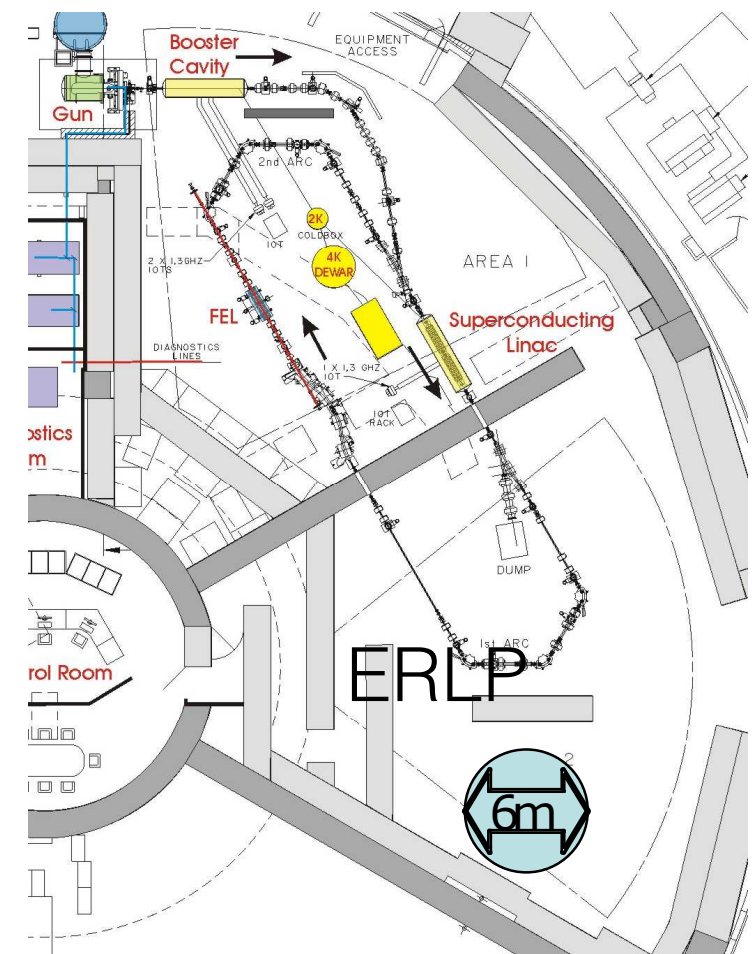




# EMMA (Electron Model of Muon Accelerator) for Many Applications

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- Proof of principle demo of non-scaling FFAG using electron beam
- Applications envisioned in muon acceleration, cancer therapy,...
- Ran at Daresbury Lab (2011)
- Verified novel acceleration, including rapid resonance crossing
- Int'l collaboration:  
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# Summary

- U.S.-led muon collider & neutrino factory R&D ran vigorously (“on a shoestring”) until DOE cut off funding
- Identified and explored the key technological challenges
- Developed key, innovative ideas
- Demonstrated there are no showstoppers