



# Challenges for the Muon Collider

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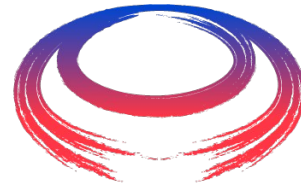
# Recap

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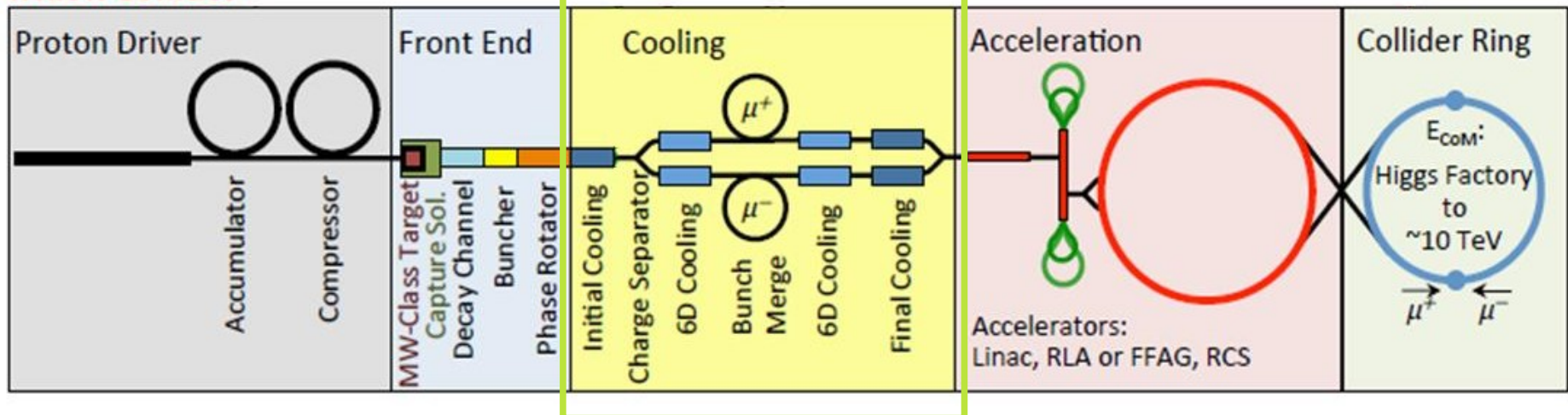
- Last time
  - Discussed the advantages of the muon collider
  - Discussed luminosity drivers
  - Presented issues surrounding muon capture
  - Described ionisation cooling – physics
- This time
  - Describe implementation of ionisation cooling
  - Talk about the acceleration
  - Talk about collision
  - Discuss the path to the muon collider – how to make it happen

# The Facility - Ionisation Cooling



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## Muon Collider

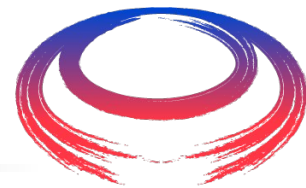


# How to realise cooling?

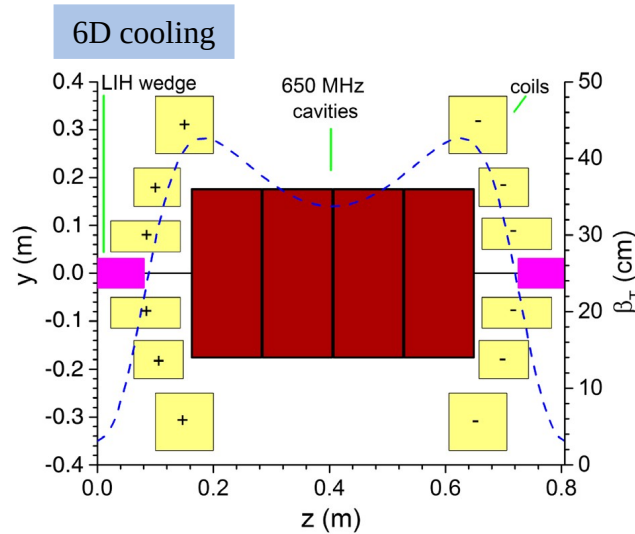
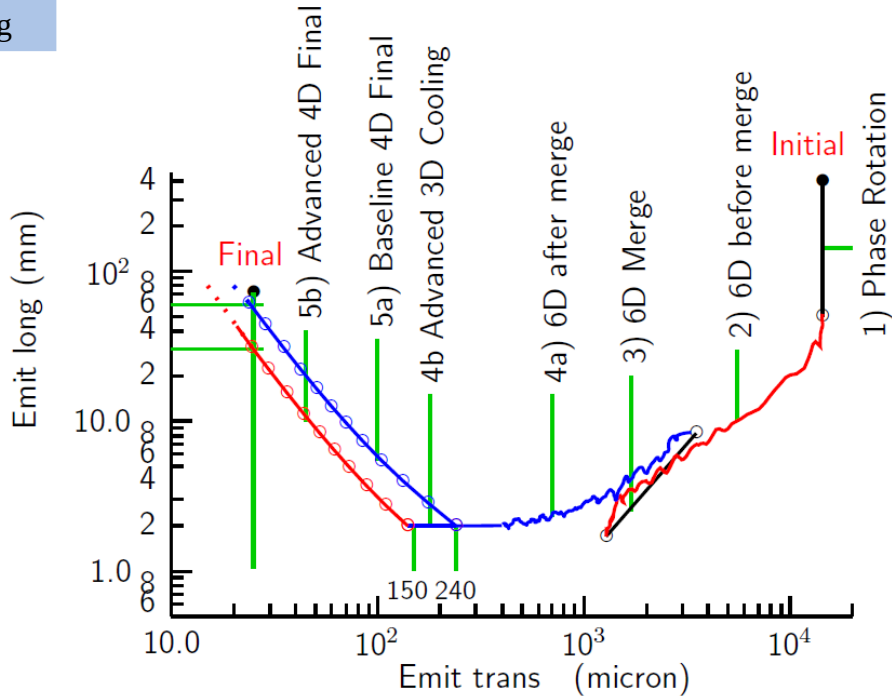
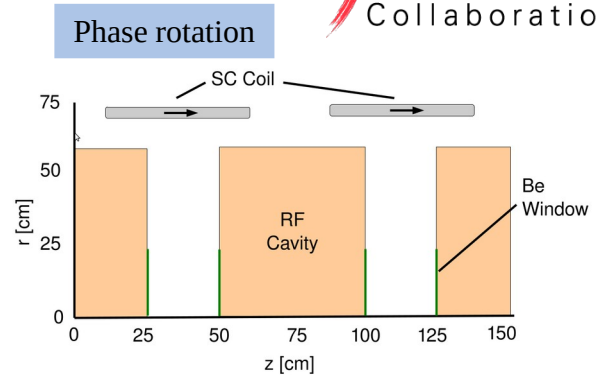
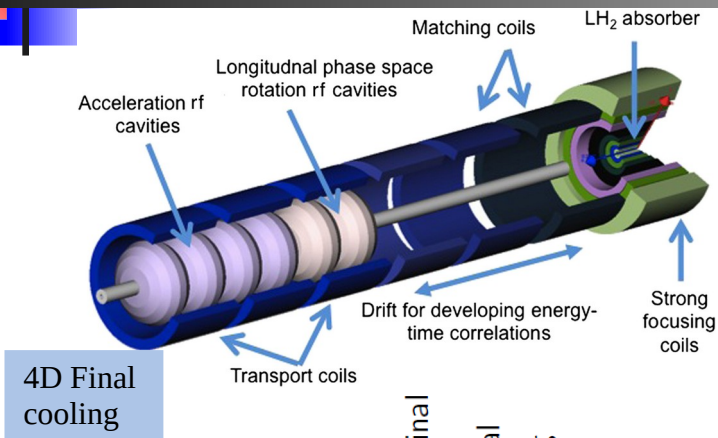


- To realise ionisation cooling:
- Need to focus strongly in transverse space
  - Both horizontal and vertical focusing to cool in both planes
- Need to maintain sufficient transverse acceptance
- Need to reaccelerate to keep cooling quick
- Need to focus strongly in longitudinal space
  - Short bunch → bigger energy spread
  - Reduce the relative effect of the heating
- Solenoids
  - Initially weaker, for more acceptance
  - Finally strong → strongest(!) for more focusing
- Lots of RF
  - Maintain both bunching and reacceleration

# Muon Cooling



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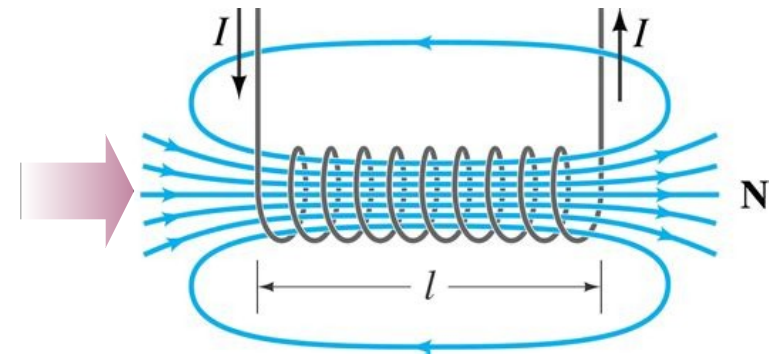
# Solenoid optics

- Solenoids behave as a focusing system
- Fringe field generates kinetic angular momentum
- Angular momentum → focusing
- Assuming cylindrical symmetry

$$2\beta_{\perp}\beta_{\perp}'' - (\beta_{\perp}')^2 + 4\beta_{\perp}^2\kappa^2 - 4(1 + \mathcal{L}^2) = 0,$$

$$\kappa(z) \simeq \frac{qB_z(r=0, z)}{2P_z} \simeq 0.15 \frac{B[\text{T}]}{P_z[\text{GeV}/c]} \text{m}^{-1}.$$

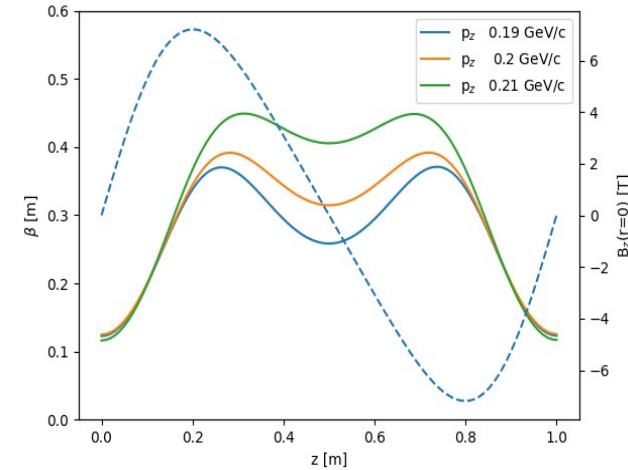
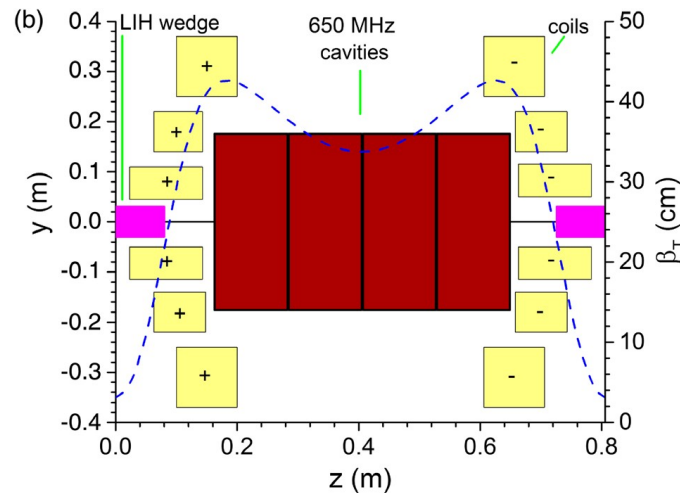
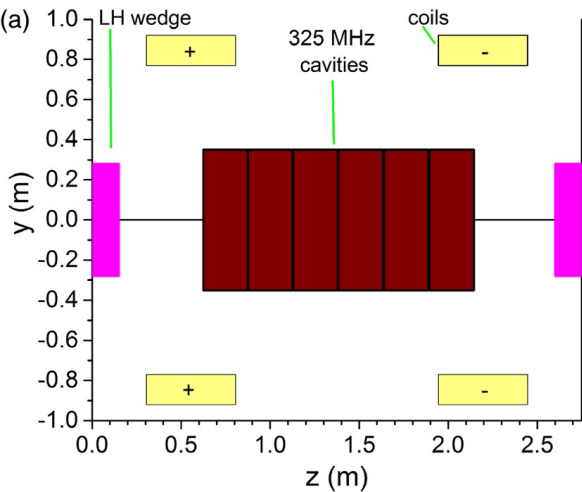
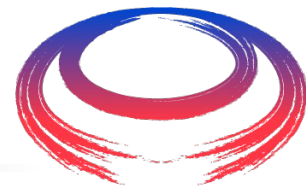
$$\mathcal{L} \simeq \frac{\langle L_{\text{canon}} \rangle}{2m\epsilon_N}.$$



G. Penn, Beam Envelope Equations for Cooling of Muons in Solenoid Fields, PRL 85, 2000

$$\phi = \int_0^{z_0} \frac{1}{\beta_{\perp}} dz$$

# Rectilinear Cooling



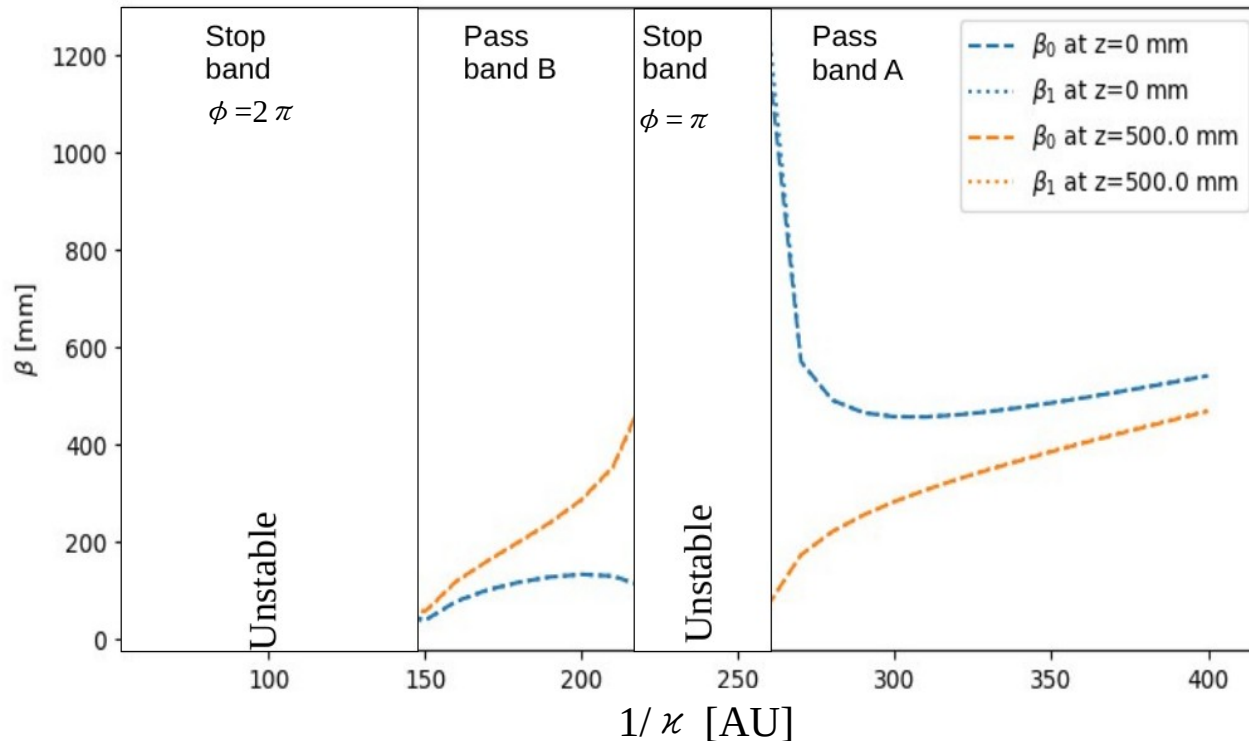
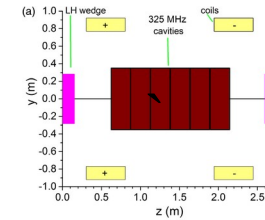
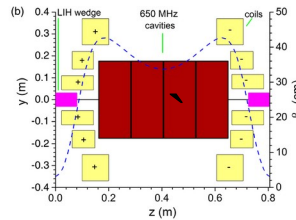
D. Stratakis and R. Palmer, Rectilinear six-dimensional ionization cooling channel for a muon collider: A theoretical and numerical study, Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 18, 2015

## 6D Cooling

- Combined function dipole-solenoid magnets
  - Weak dipole field is a perturbation
  - Focus at the absorber with alternating solenoid polarity
- Compact lattice – RF integrated into magnet cryostat
- Lithium Hydride or IH<sub>2</sub> absorbers
- Careful field shaping to control position of stop-bands

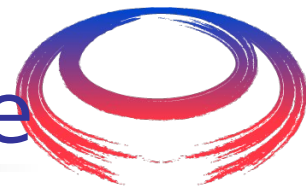
# Pass bands

- Pass Band A
  - Less focusing
  - Better acceptance
- Pass Band B
  - More focusing
  - Worse acceptance

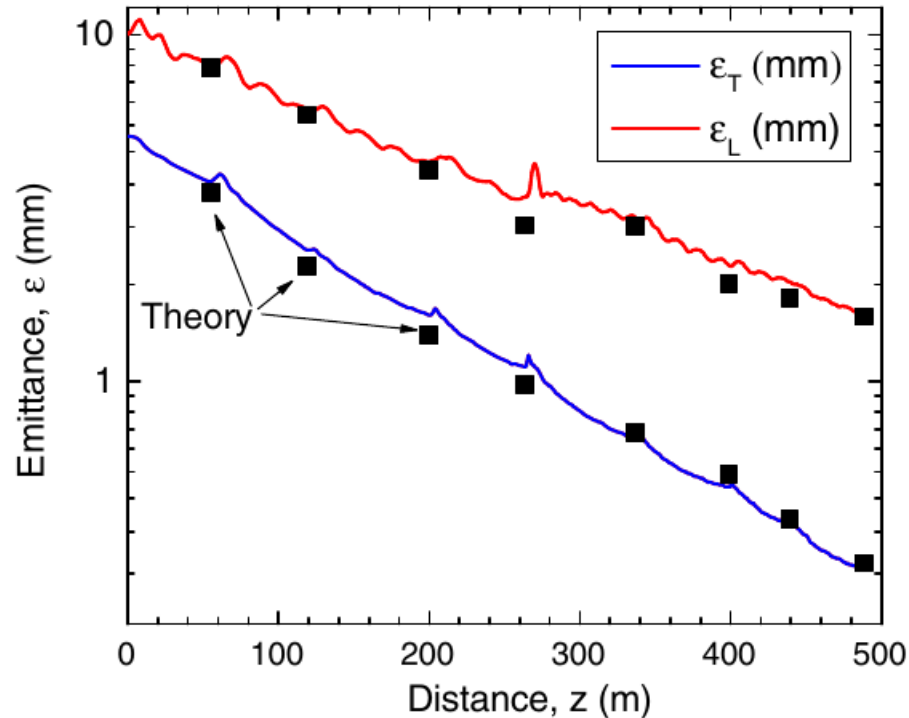




# Rectilinear cooling performance

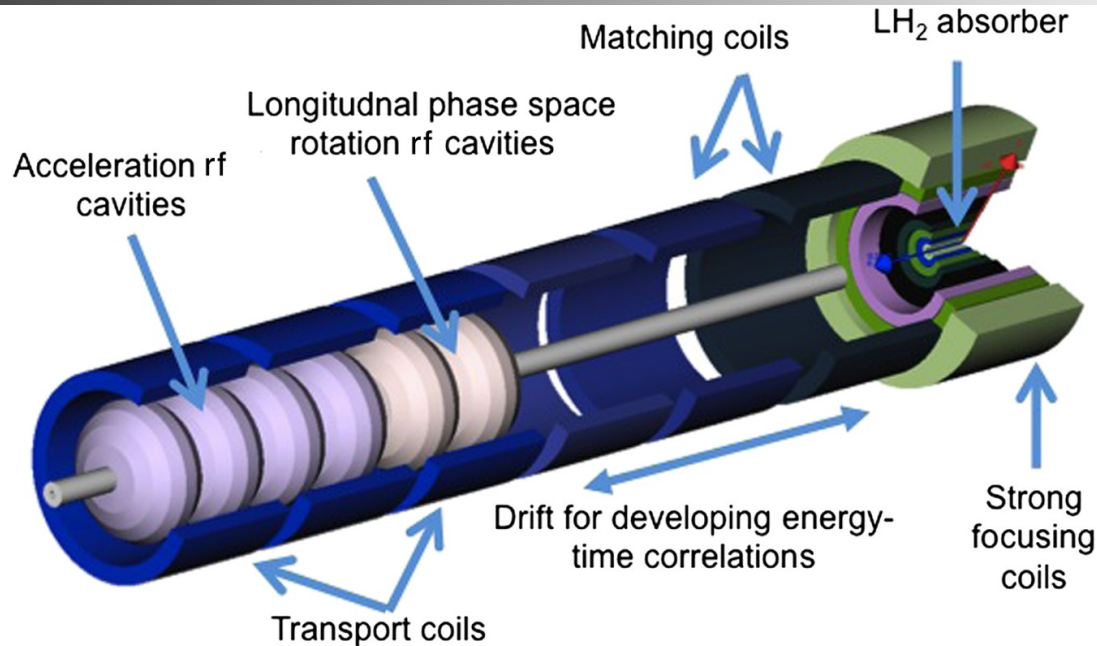


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- As the beam nears equilibrium emittance cooling slows
- New lattice, shorter and stronger fields
  - Smaller DA
  - More focusing
- Repeat until the limit on magnet is reached ( $\beta \sim$  few cm)
  - Hoop stress

# Final cooling



H. Sayed et al., High field – low energy muon ionization cooling channel, Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 18, 2015

- Challenge is to get very tight focussing
- Go to high fields ( $\sim 30$  T) and lower momenta
  - Causes longitudinal emittance growth
  - Chromatic aberrations introduce challenges
    - Elaborate phase rotation required to keep energy spread small
    - Move to low RF frequency to manage time spread

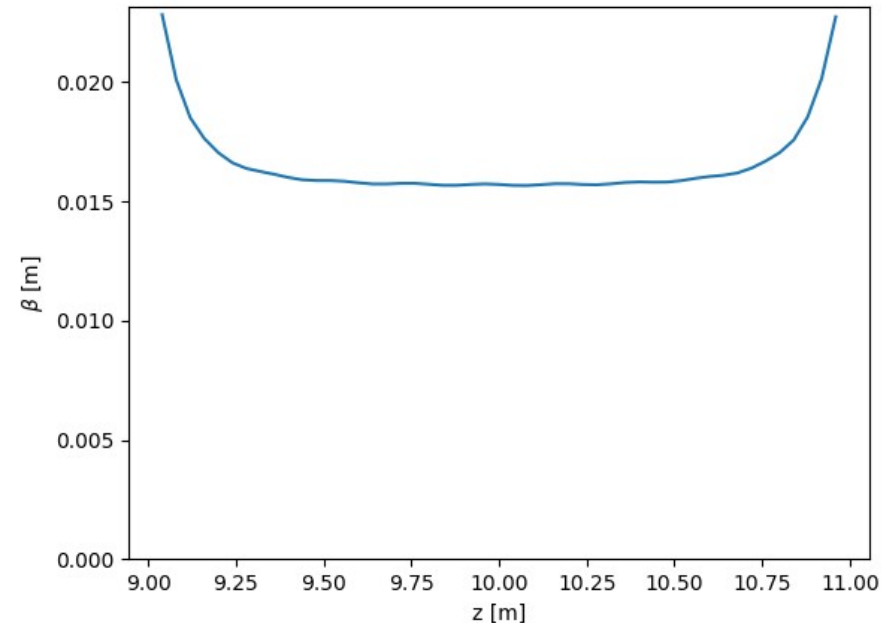
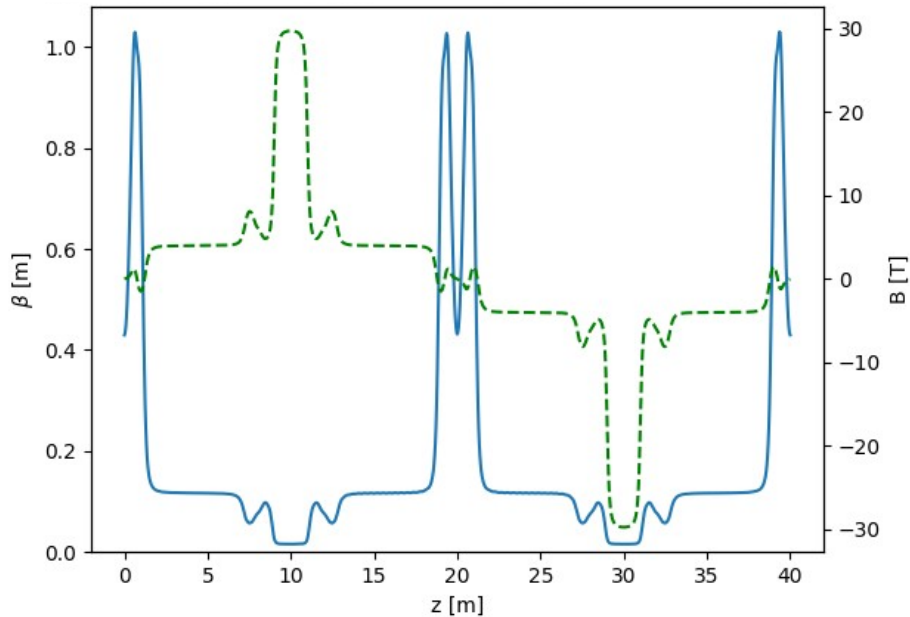
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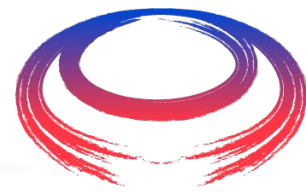
$$2\beta_{\perp}\beta_{\perp}'' - (\beta_{\perp}')^2 + 4\beta_{\perp}^2\kappa^2 - 4(1 + \mathcal{L}^2) = 0,$$

$$\beta_{\perp} = \frac{\sqrt{1 + \mathcal{L}^2}}{\kappa}$$

- Reach  $\beta \sim 1$  cm - but not practical to introduce dispersion

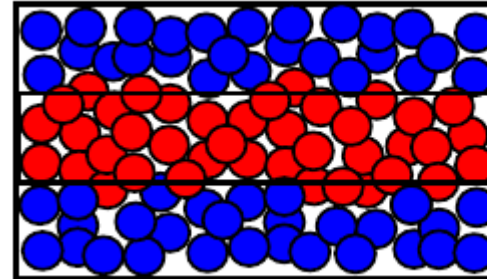
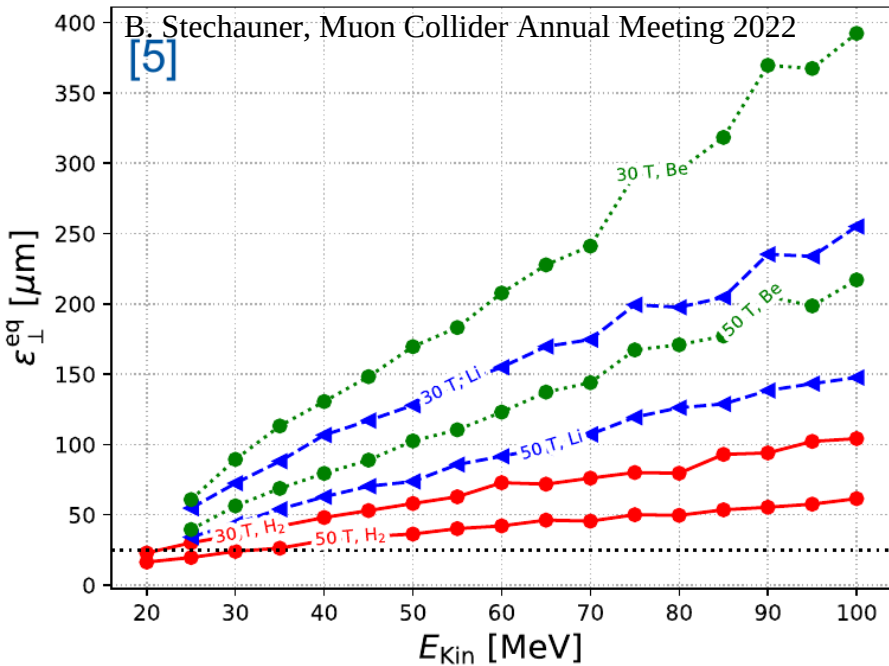


# Final cooling - absorber



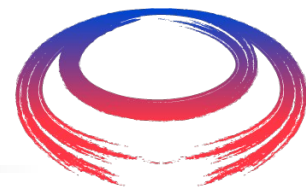
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Equilibrium emittance from ICOOL

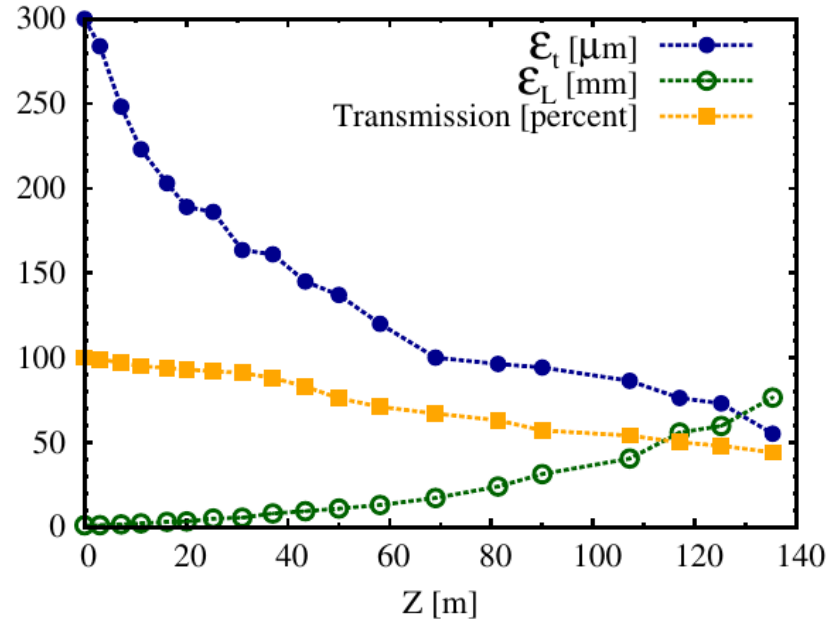
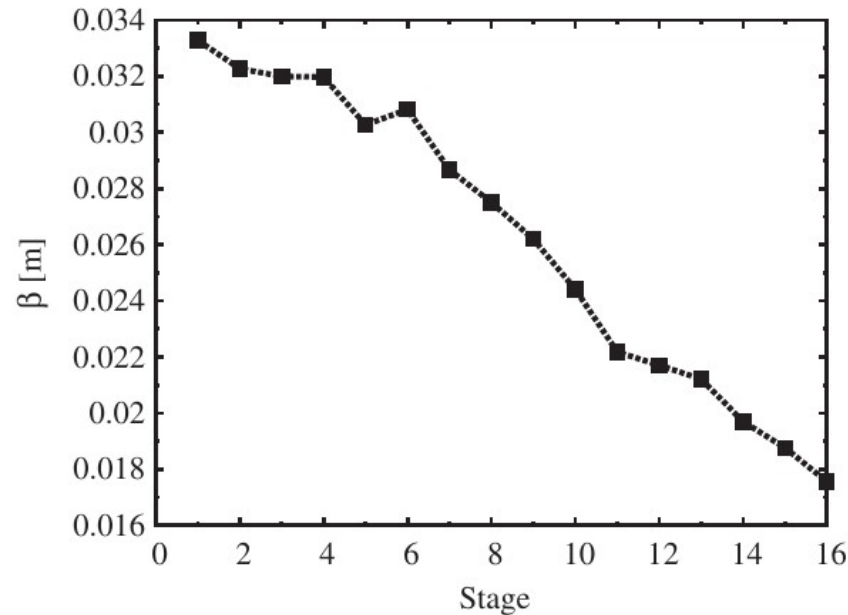


- Significant benefit to use Hydrogen absorber
  - Much less energy loss per scatter
- Narrow, intense beam is enough to boil H<sub>2</sub>
  - Next to very thin windows
- Can cause damage to windows → burst
- Requires care!

# Final cooling - performance



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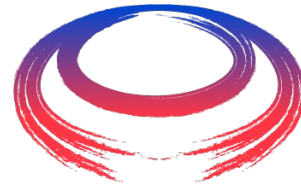
- $\beta \sim \text{cm}$
- Significant longitudinal emittance growth
- Transmission losses
- Final transverse emittance  $< \sim 50$  micron

# Luminosity formula

$$\mathcal{L} \approx \underbrace{\frac{e\tau_\mu}{(4\pi m_\mu c)^2}}_{K_L} \frac{f h g \sigma_\delta \bar{B}}{\epsilon_\perp \epsilon_L n_b f_r} \underbrace{\eta_+ \eta_- (\eta_\tau P_p \gamma m_\mu c^2)^2}_{P_+ P_-}$$

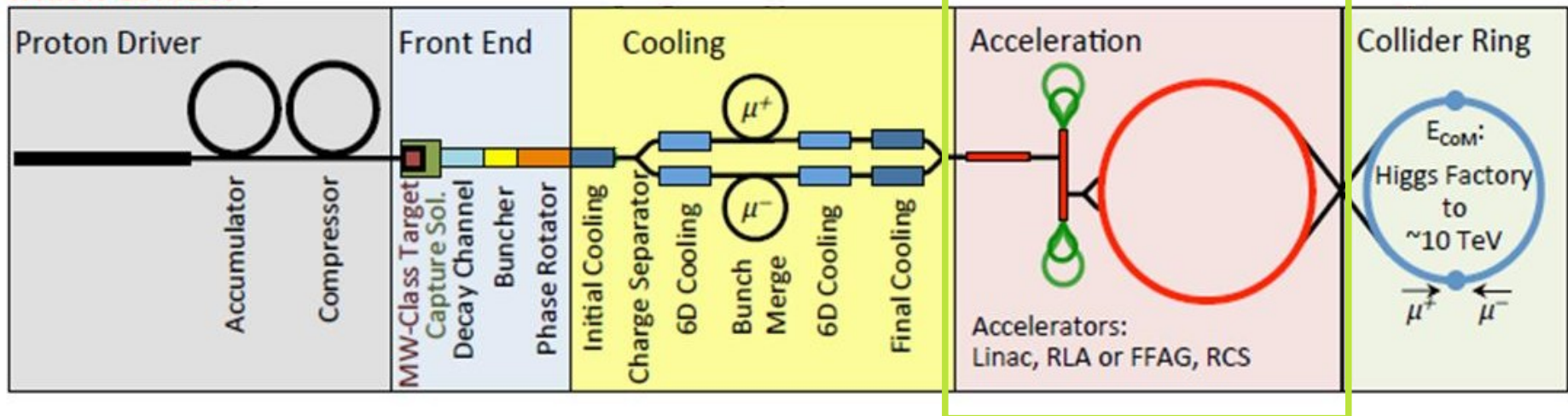
- We have taken a beam that is ~ 100 mm wide and made a beam that is ~ few mm wide
- Need to accelerate it on a short time scale  $\ll$  muon lifetime
  - Time dilation is on our side!
- Need to bring it to collision

# The Facility - Acceleration

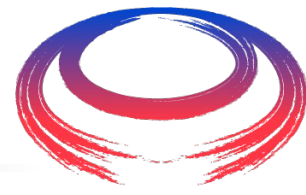


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# Acceleration efficiency



- During acceleration, muon lifetime is constantly increasing due to Lorentz time dilation.
- Starting from time dilated radioactive decay:

$$\frac{dN}{dt} = -\frac{1}{\gamma\tau_\mu} N = -\frac{m_\mu c^2}{E\tau_\mu} N$$

- Chain rule:

$$\frac{dN}{dE} = \frac{dN}{dt} \frac{dt}{dE}$$

$$\frac{dN}{dE} = -\frac{N}{\delta_\tau E}$$

Change in  $\gamma$  in muon lifetime:

$$\delta_\tau = q\bar{V}\tau_\mu/mc$$

- Integrate

$$N_\pm = N_{0\pm} \left( \frac{E}{E_0} \right)^{-1/\delta_\tau}$$



# Acceleration efficiency

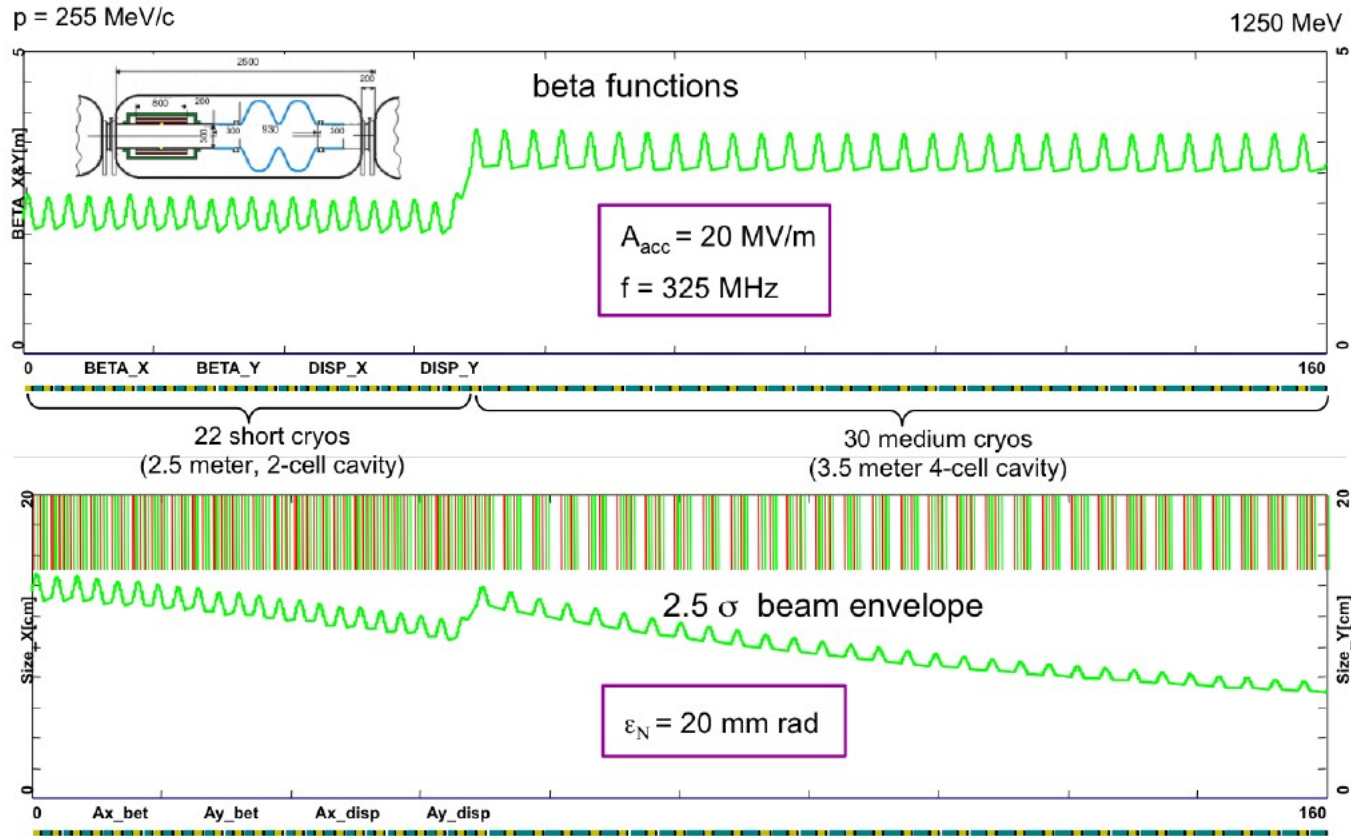
- Chaining multiple acceleration stages

$$\eta_{\tau} = \frac{N_{\pm}}{N_{0\pm}} = \prod_i \left( \frac{E_{i+1}}{E_i} \right)^{-1/\delta_{\tau,i}}$$

- Seek to accelerate from 0.2 GeV to 5e3 GeV
- $E_f/E_i = 2.5e4$
- Average gradient  $\sim 10$  MV/m  $\rightarrow$  84 % survival rate
- Average gradient  $\sim 1$  MV/m  $\rightarrow$  19 % survival rate
- Compare with ILC  $\rightarrow$  11 km @ 250 GeV  $\rightarrow$  23 MV/m
  - But we don't want to use a linac all the way!

# Linac to start

$$\eta_{\tau} = \frac{N_{\pm}}{N_{0\pm}} = \prod_i \left( \frac{E_{i+1}}{E_i} \right)^{-1/\delta_{\tau,i}}$$



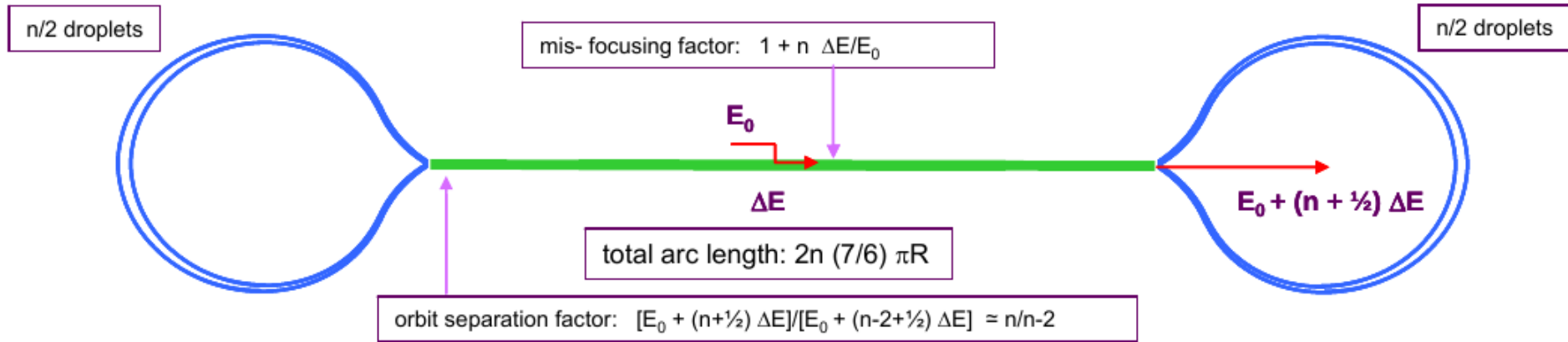
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Kurup et al, The Muon Linac for the International Design Study for the Neutrino Factory, Proc. IPAC11

- At low energy (up to  $\sim$  few GeV) linac is cost effective
  - Non-relativistic  $\rightarrow$  RF synchronisation is slow, expensive in a ring
  - Not much linac makes large  $E_f/E_i$

# Recirculating Linac

$$\eta_{\tau} = \frac{N_{\pm}}{N_{0\pm}} = \prod_i \left( \frac{E_{i+1}}{E_i} \right)^{-1/\delta_{\tau,i}}$$

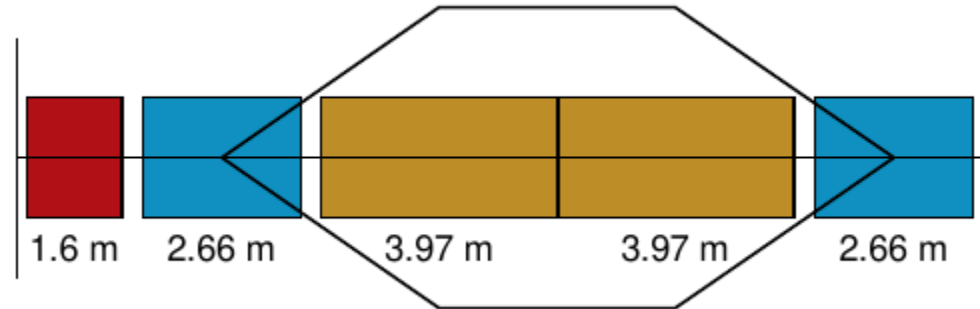
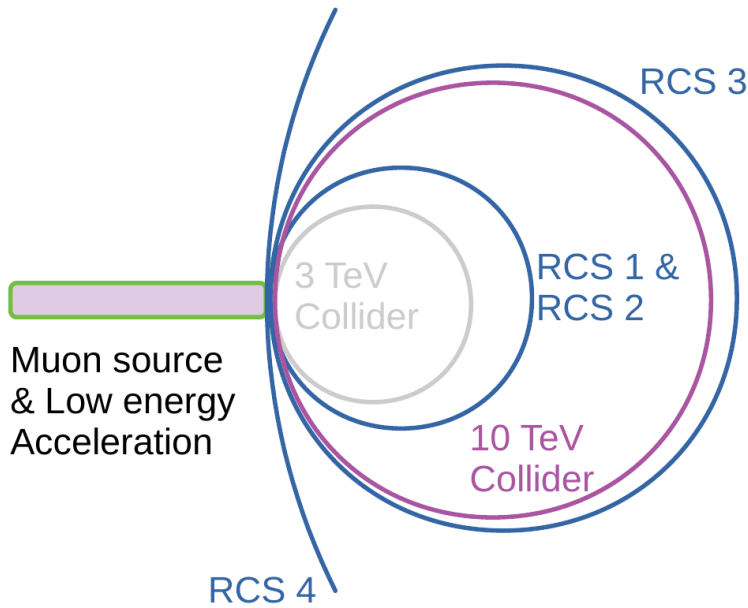


Bogacz, Muon Acceleration Concepts for NuMax, JINST 13 (2018)

- At higher energy can recirculate through the linac
  - Less focusing required → geometric emittance
  - Real estate gradient in the linac is higher
- Can't ramp magnets quickly enough
  - Use recirculators to bring the beam back into the linac
  - Worry about mis-focusing in the linac
  - Worry about time of flight in the return arcs & phasing RF correctly
  - "ERL-like"

# Pulsed Synchrotrons

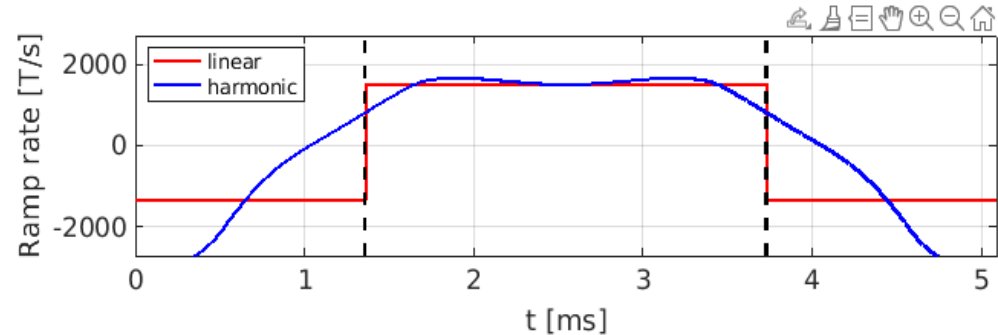
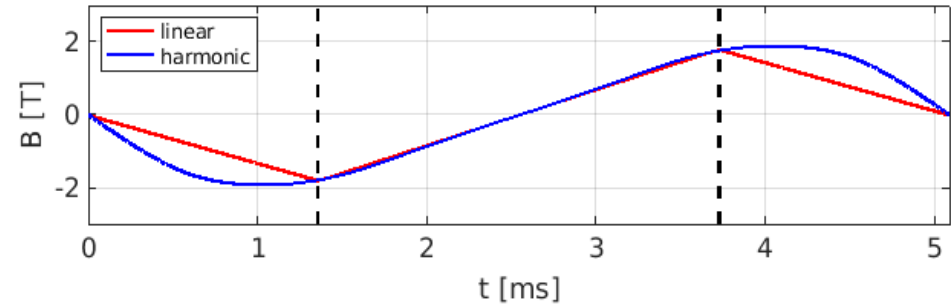
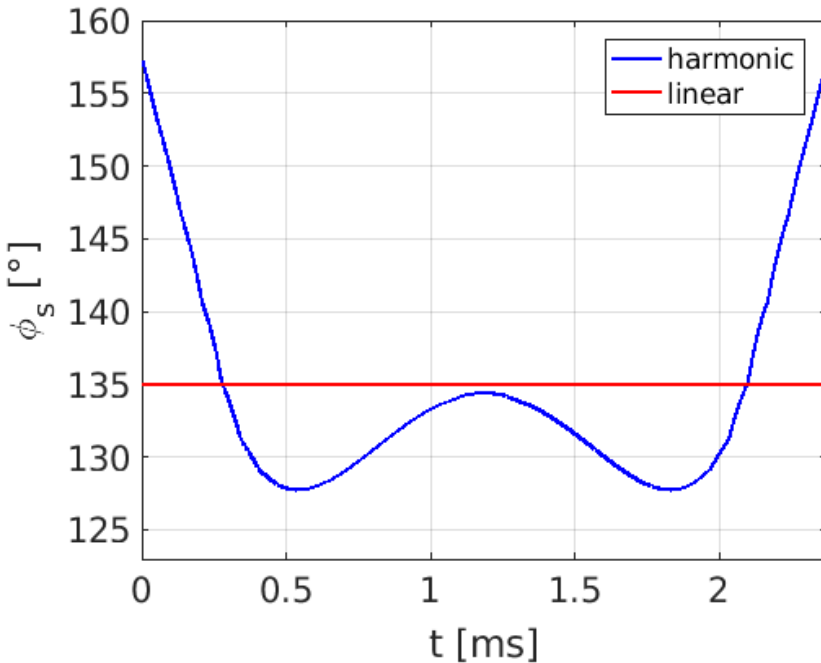
$$\eta_{\tau} = \frac{N_{\pm}}{N_{0\pm}} = \prod_i \left( \frac{E_{i+1}}{E_i} \right)^{-1/\delta_{\tau,i}}$$



- At highest energy, can use synchrotrons
  - Ramp magnets in synchronisation with increasing beam energy
  - Need extremely fast ramp < few ms
  - To keep ring compact, use combination of
    - Fixed superconducting and
    - Pulsed normal conducting magnets
  - Shielding components from decay losses

# Synchronisation

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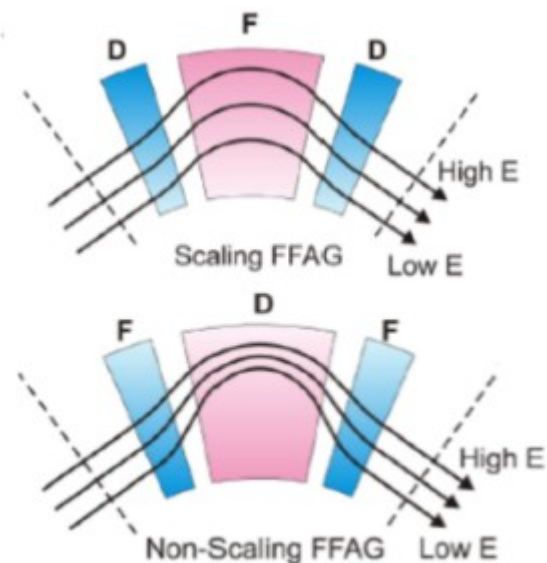
F. Batsch, Muon Collider workshop 2022

- For cost/efficiency, magnets must ramp on a resonant circuit
- Use sum of two harmonics to make a pseudo-linear ramp
- Synchronous phase of RF cavities adjusts to accelerate beam

# Alternative - FFAs

$$\eta_{\tau} = \frac{N_{\pm}}{N_{0\pm}} = \prod_i \left( \frac{E_{i+1}}{E_i} \right)^{-1/\delta_{\tau,i}}$$

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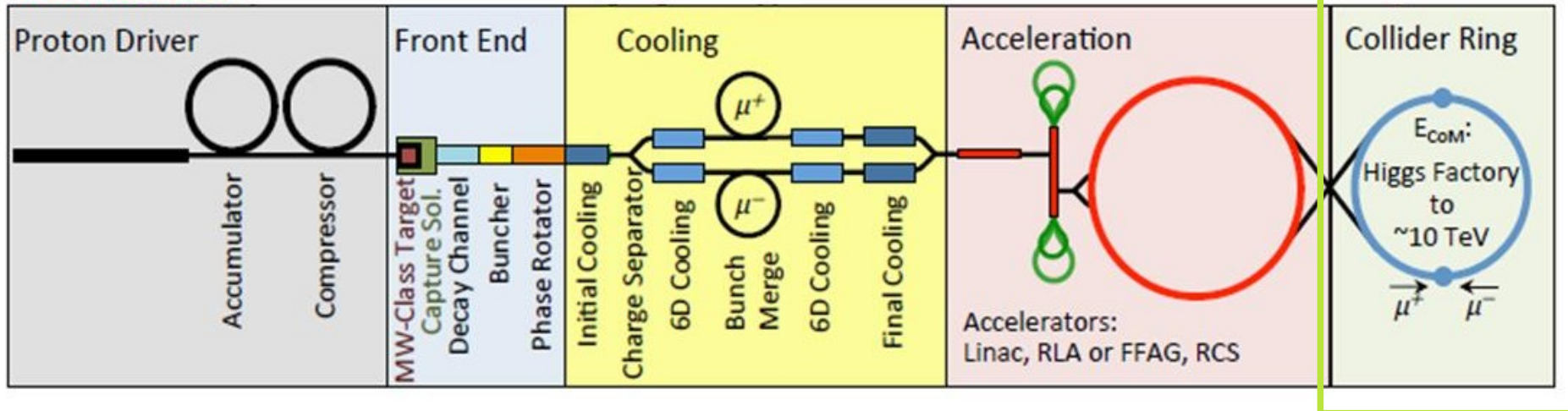


- Alternative to get fast acceleration – use Fixed Field Accelerators
  - Beam moves across aperture of combined function magnets
  - Sample stronger dipole fields at higher momenta
  - **Either:** move fast enough that optical resonances are not a problem
  - **Or:** add in sextupole+ to correct chromaticity
    - (There exists a “scaling FFA” field that perfectly corrects chromaticity)

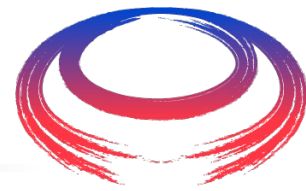
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## Muon Collider



# MC Accelerator/Collider Ring



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- We've seen how to get very rapid acceleration
- Now look at the collider ring
  - High field → short ring → many collisions
  - Tight focusing at IP
  - Hourglass effect → Short bunch

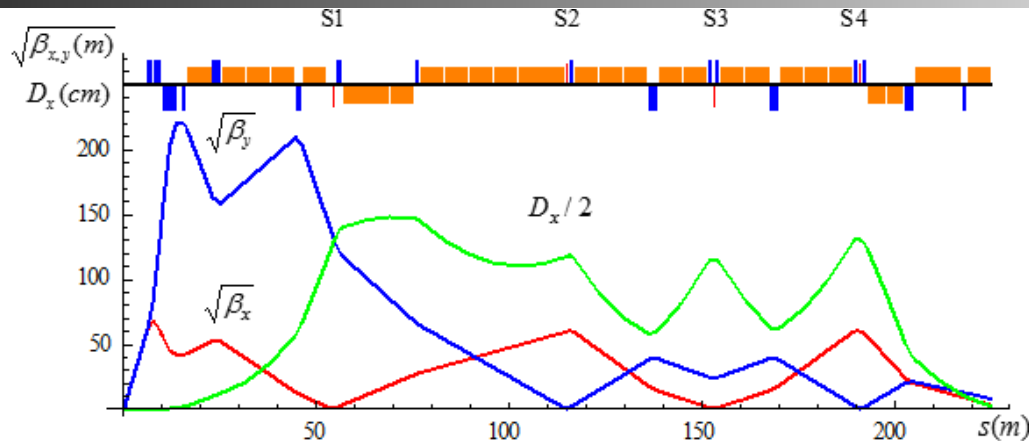


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# Chromaticity Correction



$$\kappa = \frac{q}{p} \frac{dB}{dx}$$

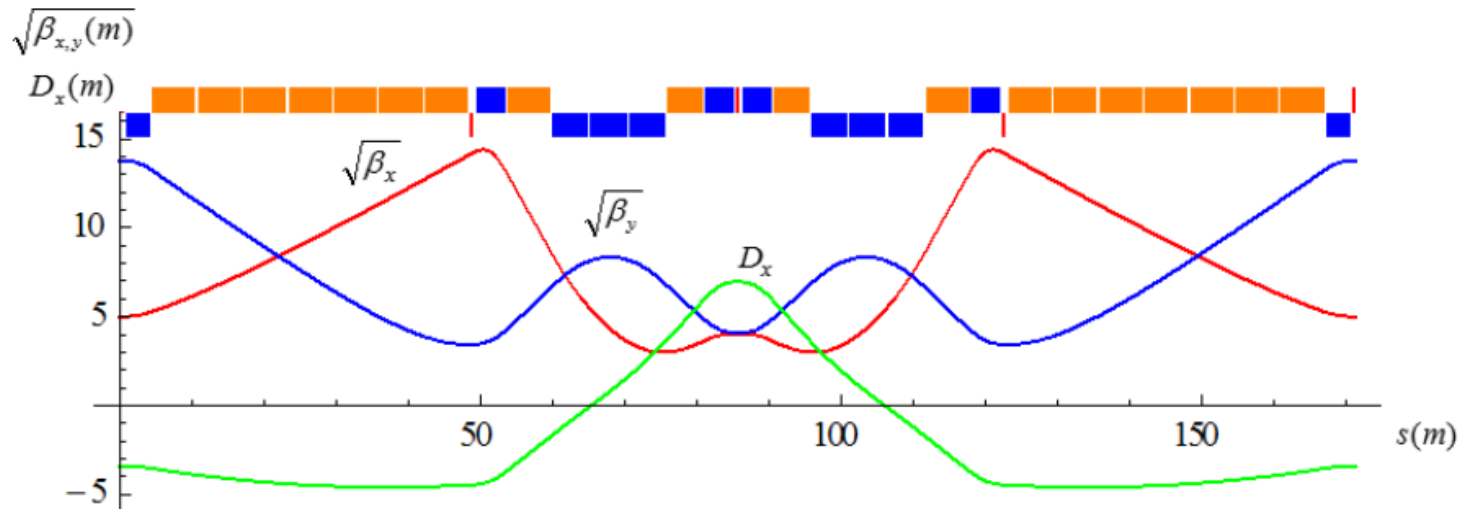
- Short bunch  $\rightarrow$  large momentum spread  $\sim 1e-3$ 
  - Off-momentum particles are not focused correctly
- Chromaticity correction
  - Sextupoles very close to interaction point
  - Sextupole focusing strength varies with transverse position
  - Introduce correlation between momentum and position
    - Dispersion
  - Correct the mis-focusing of the quadrupoles

# Short bunch

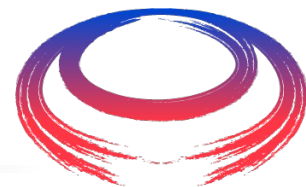
- Bunch length maintained by RF
- Driven by Momentum Compaction Factor
  - Path length (time-of-flight) variation with energy

$$\alpha_p = \frac{dL/L}{dp/p} = \frac{p}{L} \frac{dL}{dp} = \frac{1}{L} \oint \frac{D_x(s)}{\rho(s)} ds.$$

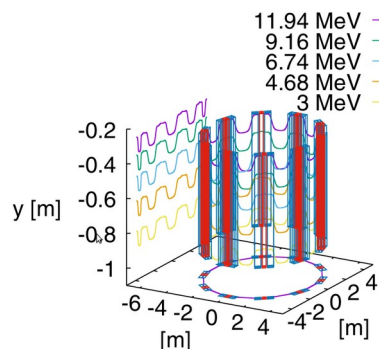
- Introduce section of ring having tunable dispersion to enable control of  $\alpha_p$



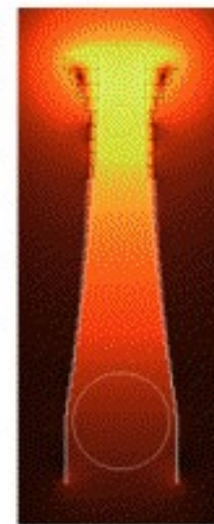
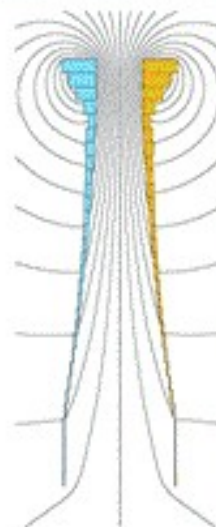
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Beam goes up  
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Acceleration



## ■ FFA concept

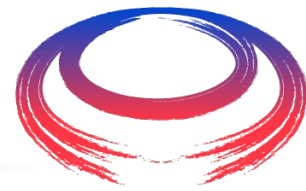
- Fixed field accelerator using vertical orbit excursion
  - Constant path length at different energy
  - “Relativistic cyclotron”
- Enables fixed frequency acceleration
- Removes the limit on minimum bunch length
- No need to ramp magnets
- Challenge: Wide aperture RF cavities



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# Muon Collider Detector



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## hadronic calorimeter

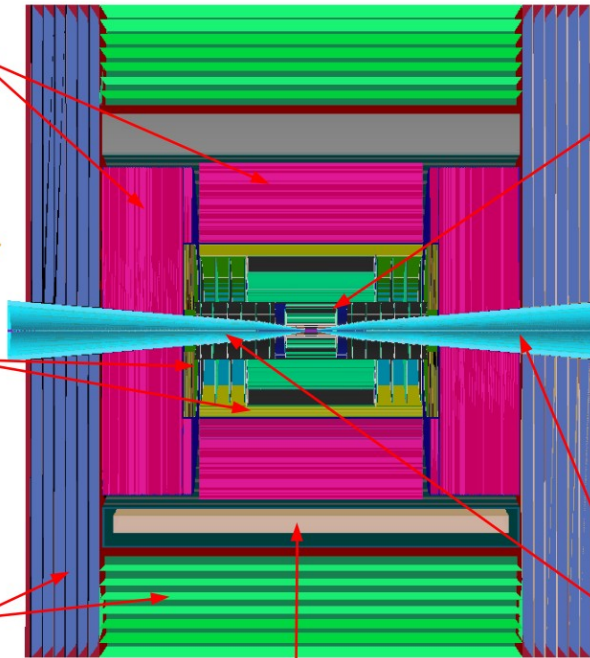
- ◆ 60 layers of 19-mm steel absorber + plastic scintillating tiles;
- ◆ 30x30 mm<sup>2</sup> cell size;
- ◆ 7.5  $\lambda_I$ .

## electromagnetic calorimeter

- ◆ 40 layers of 1.9-mm W absorber + silicon pad sensors;
- ◆ 5x5 mm<sup>2</sup> cell granularity;
- ◆ 22  $X_0 + 1 \lambda_I$ .

## muon detectors

- ◆ 7-barrel, 6-endcap RPC layers interleaved in the magnet's iron yoke;
- ◆ 30x30 mm<sup>2</sup> cell size.



superconducting solenoid (3.57T)

## tracking system

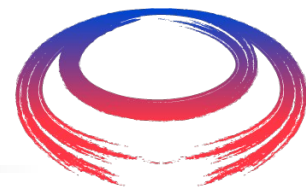
- ◆ **Vertex Detector:**
  - double-sensor layers (4 barrel cylinders and 4+4 endcap disks);
  - 25x25  $\mu\text{m}^2$  pixel Si sensors.
- ◆ **Inner Tracker:**
  - 3 barrel layers and 7+7 endcap disks;
  - 50  $\mu\text{m}$  x 1 mm macro-pixel Si sensors.
- ◆ **Outer Tracker:**
  - 3 barrel layers and 4+4 endcap disks;
  - 50  $\mu\text{m}$  x 10 mm micro-strip Si sensors.

## shielding nozzles

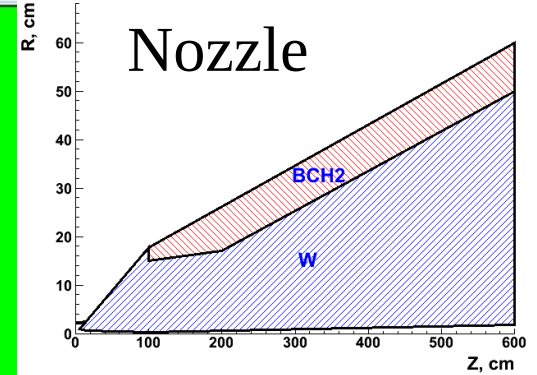
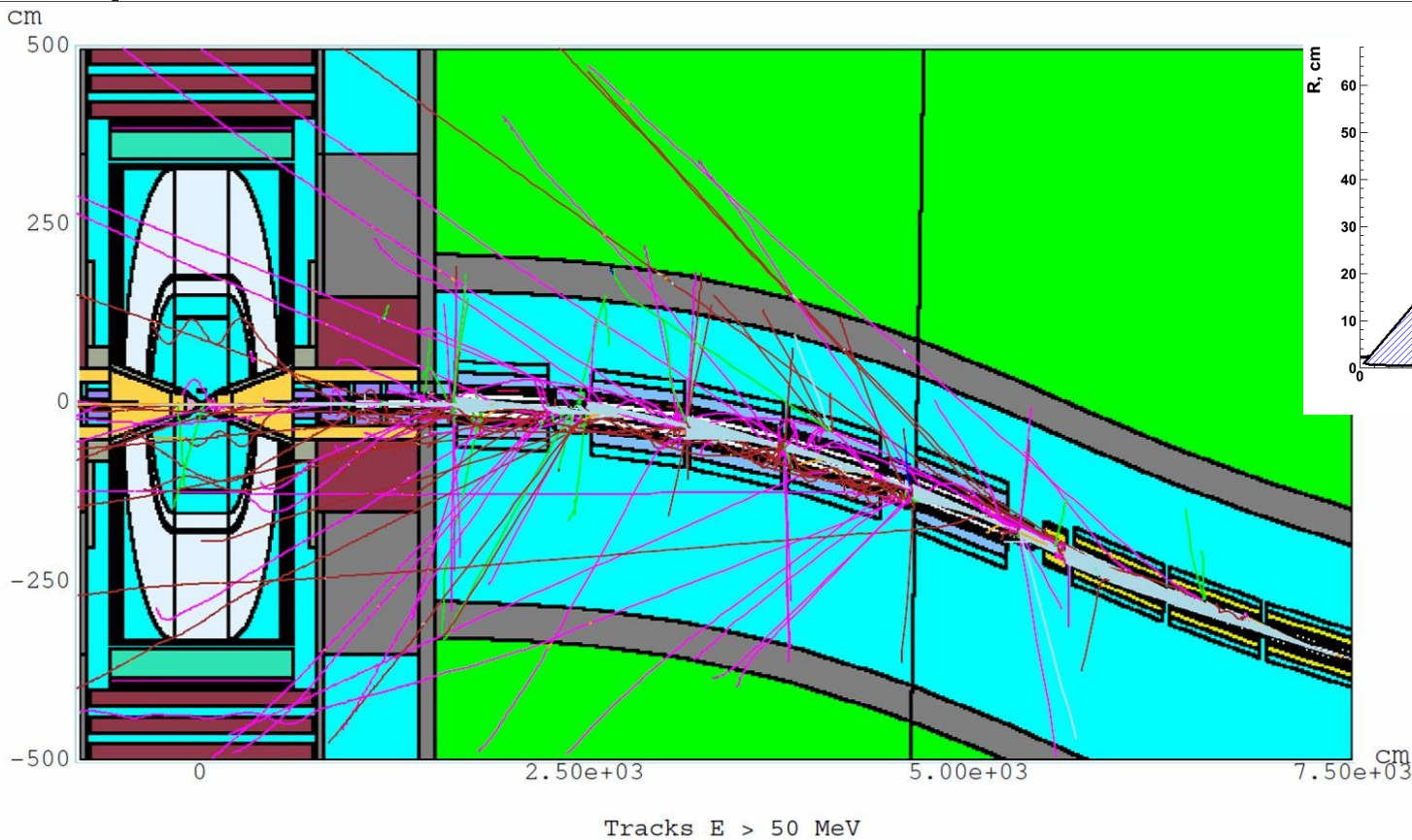
- ◆ Tungsten cones + borated polyethylene cladding.

- Muon collider
  - Rather standard detector arrangement
  - Based on  $e^+e^-$  detector

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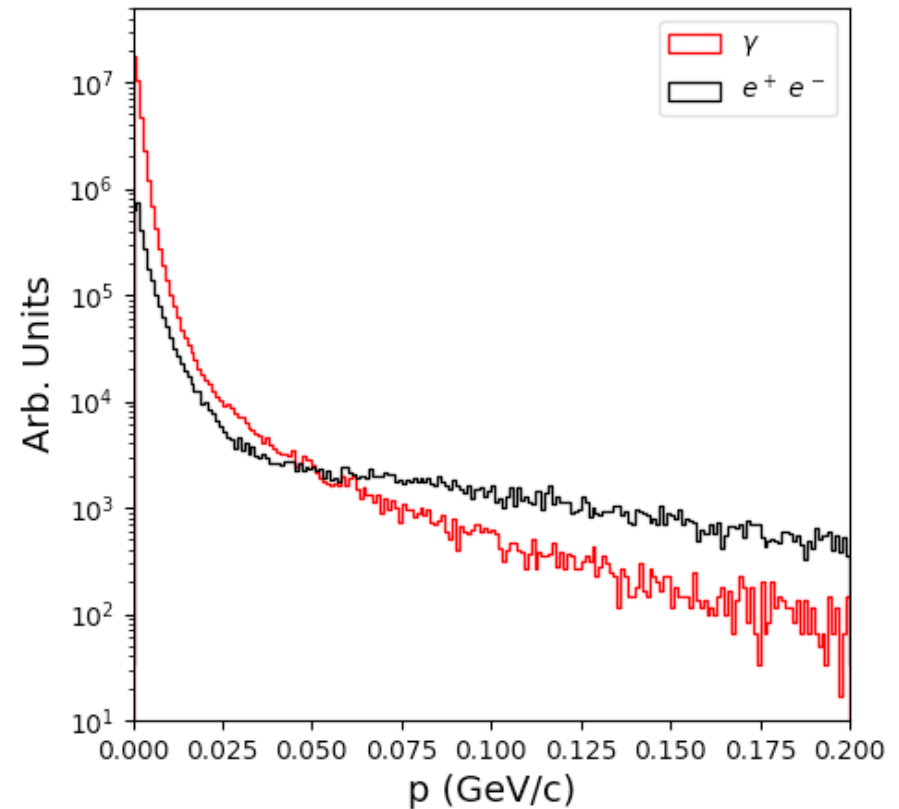
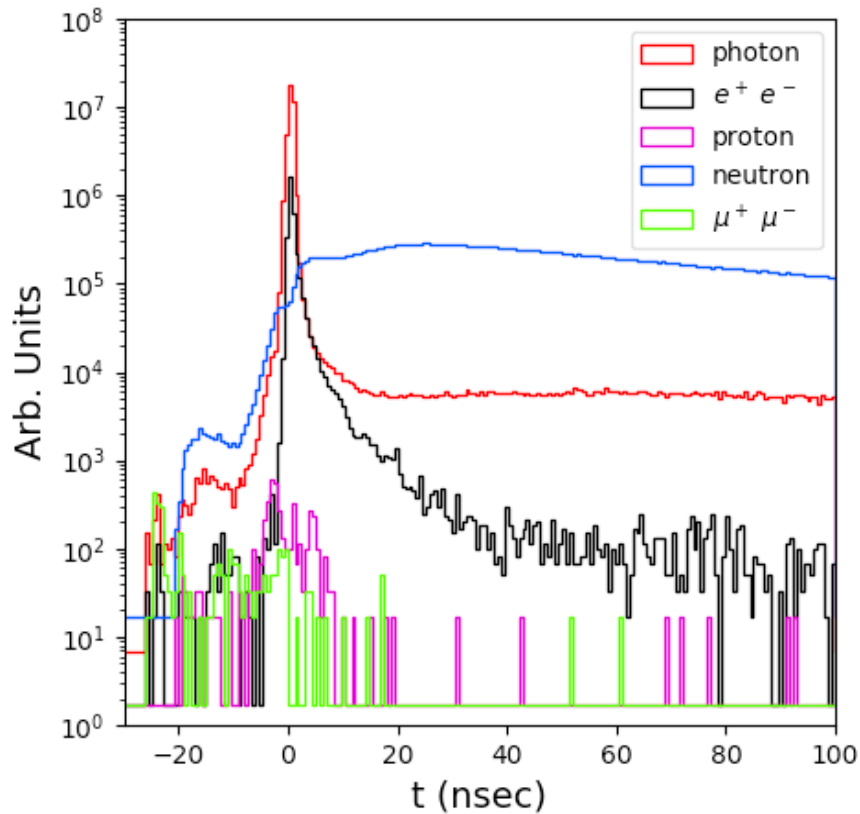


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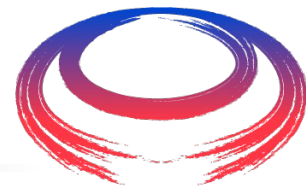
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# BIB Characteristics

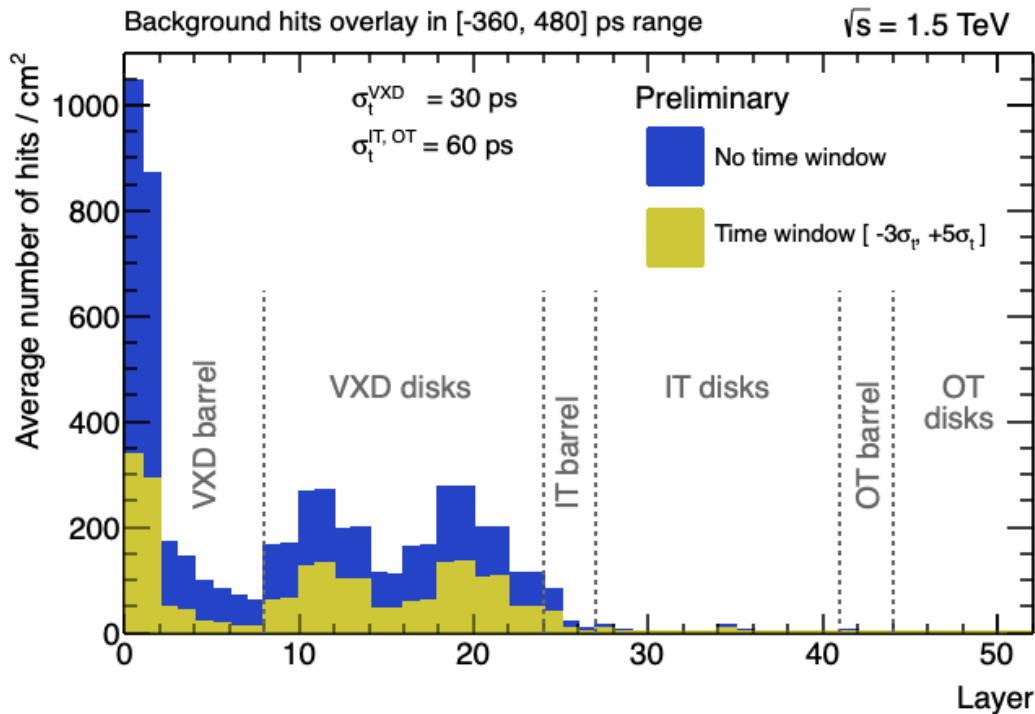


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# BIB Rejection



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- Beam induced background (BIB) arising due to muon decays

# Neutrino beams



- Muon decays yield high intensity neutrino beams
  - O(1) metre across
  - Can be used for experiments
  - Create very weak neutron shower where they emerge
  - Must stay below off-site limits for neutron flux over 1 year average
  - Seek to apply ALARP (As Low As Reasonably Possible) principle
- Either (likely all 3)
  - Periodically move beam elements
  - Add small deviations to the beam in the beam pipe
  - Use land near surface for neutrino experiments





# The Muon Collider - Hardware R&D

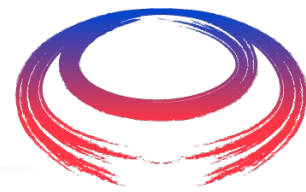
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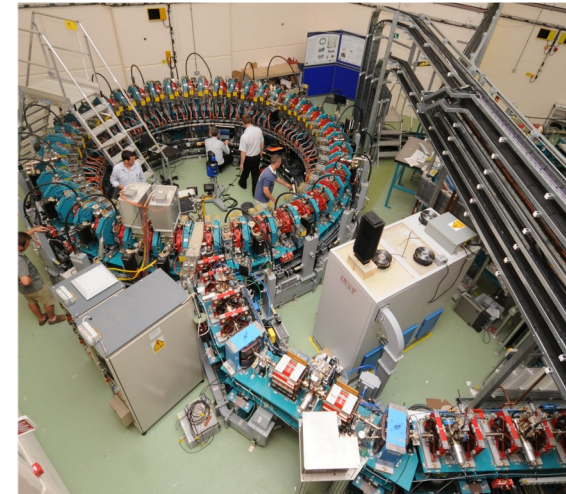
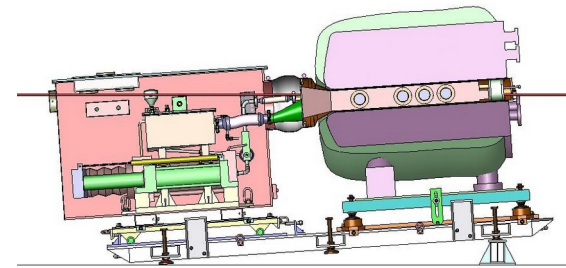


# Muon Accelerator R&D

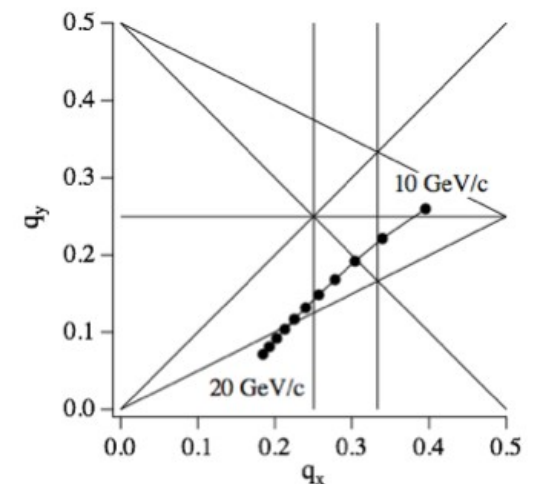
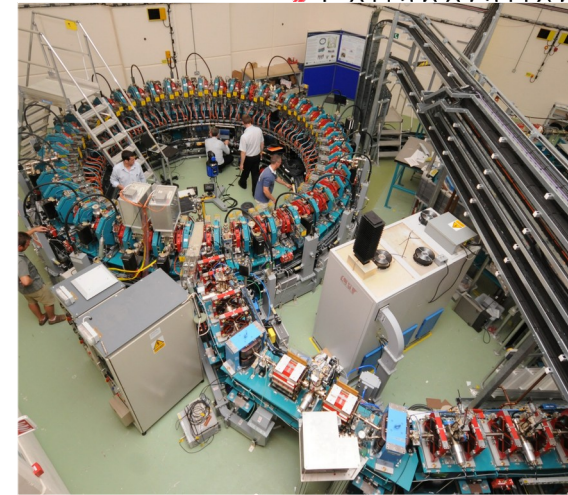


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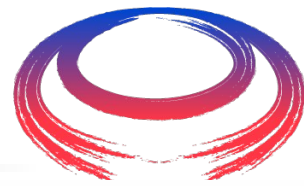
- MERIT
  - Demonstrated principles of muon accelerator proton targetry/pion production
- EMMA
  - Demonstrated fast acceleration in FFAGs
- CBETA
  - Demonstrated RLAs using FFA arcs
- MUCOOL
  - Cavity R&D for ionisation cooling
  - Demonstrated operation of cavities at high voltage in magnetic field
    - Breakdown suppression using high pressure gas
    - Careful RF coupler design and cleaning in vacuum
- MICE
  - Ionisation cooling demonstration



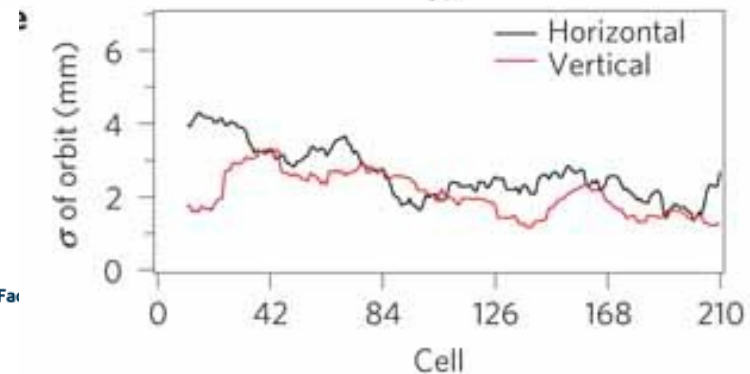
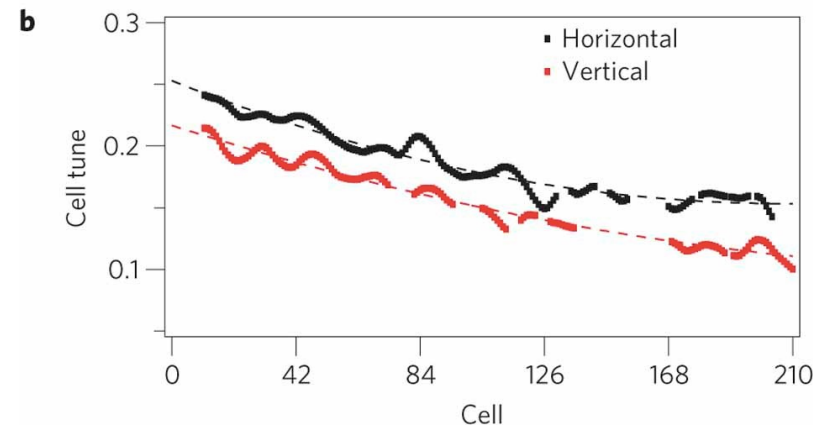
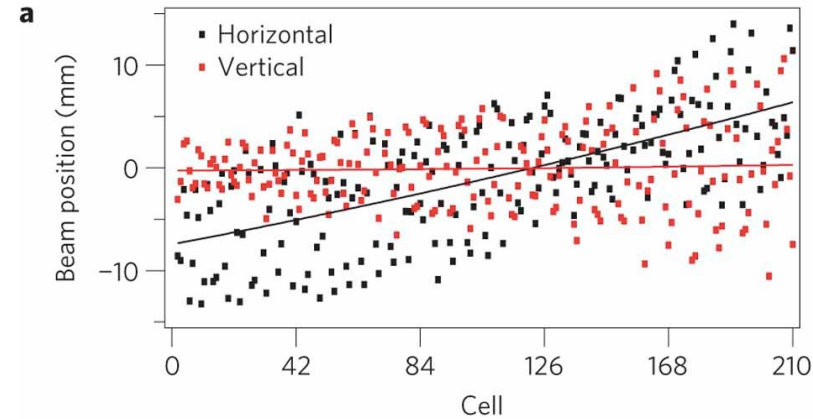
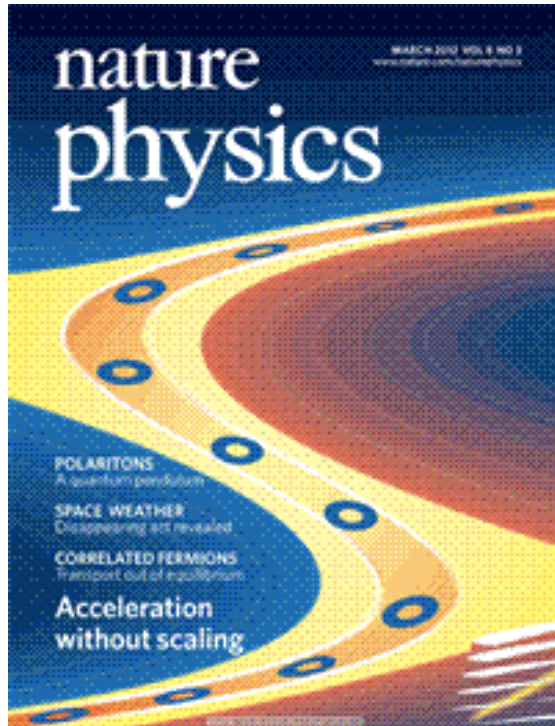
- EMMA demonstrated rapid acceleration of electrons at  $\sim$  MeV energy
  - Prove “non-scaling” FFA principle
  - Scales to muons at  $\sim$  GeV scale
- Non-scaling FFA
  - Accelerate rapidly through resonances
  - Normally the beam would be destroyed
  - If resonance is weak and acceleration fast beam can survive
- Need a beam test to be convinced
  - Electron model



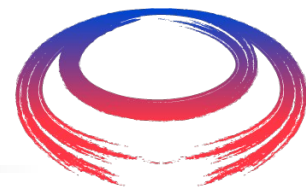
# EMMA



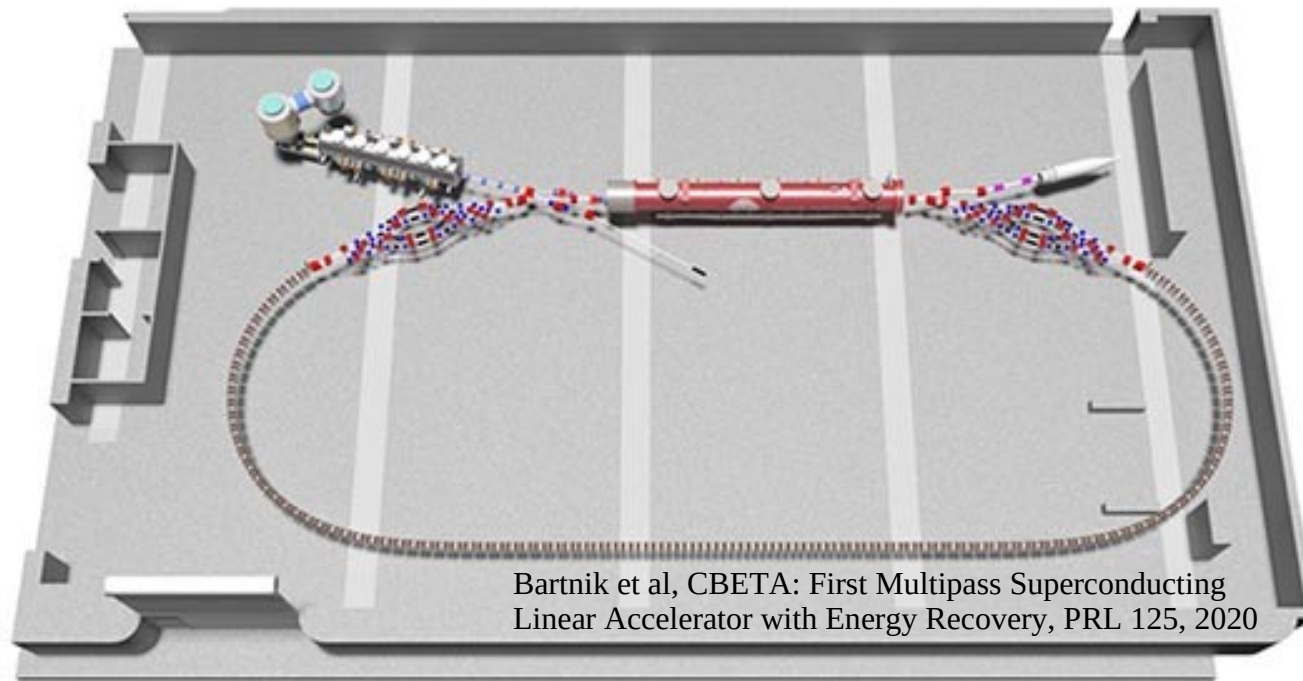
- Beam moves across aperture during acceleration
- Tune reduces
  - Crossing resonances
- Beam size stays ~ same
- Non-scaling FFA principle works



# CBETA



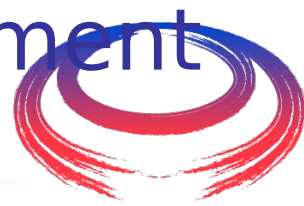
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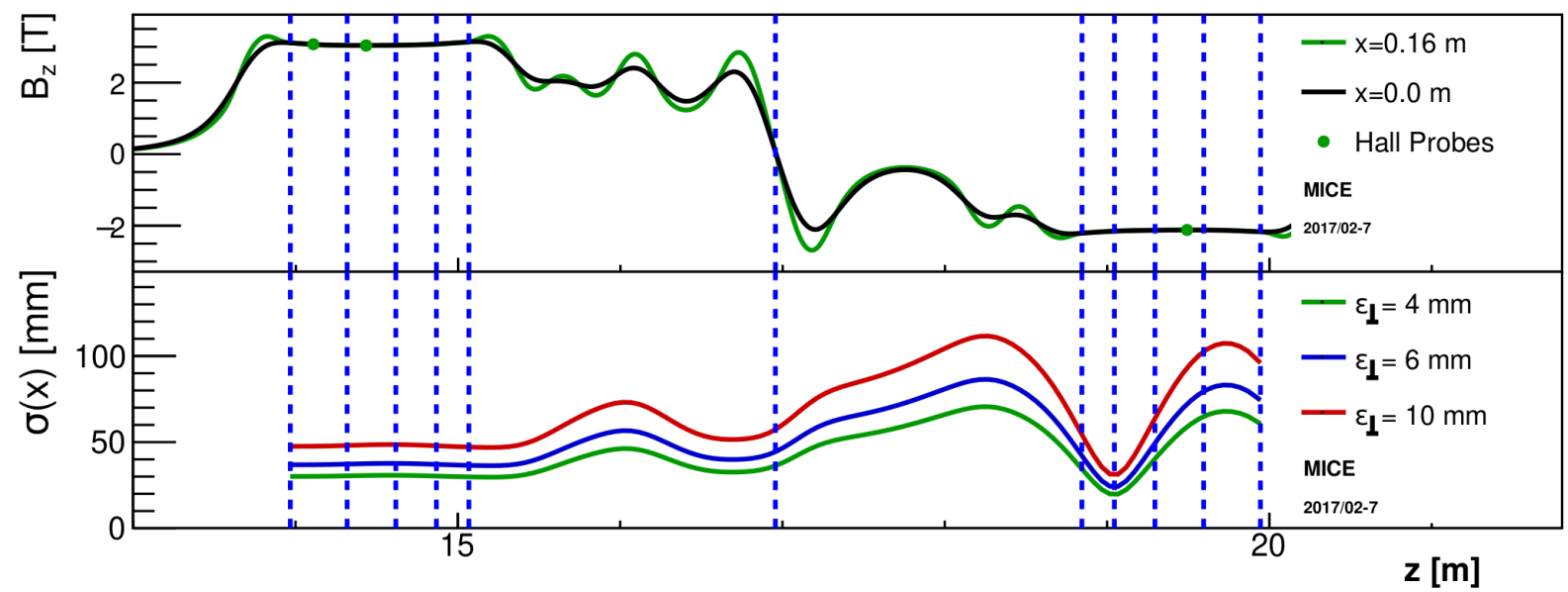
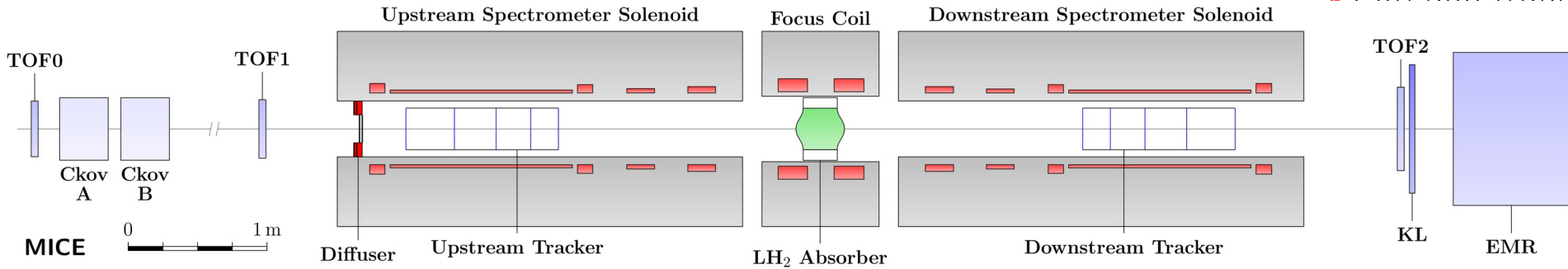
Bartnik et al, CBETA: First Multipass Superconducting Linear Accelerator with Energy Recovery, PRL 125, 2020

- Energy Recovery Linac that used single FFA arc – 5 turns:
  - Beam goes through linac
  - Time delay line
  - FFA arc – same ring for all different energies
  - Back into RF
- Beam is subsequently decelerated in a further 5 turns

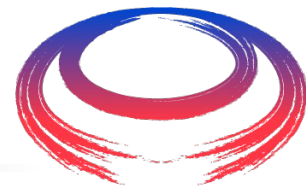
# Muon Ionisation Cooling Experiment (MICE)



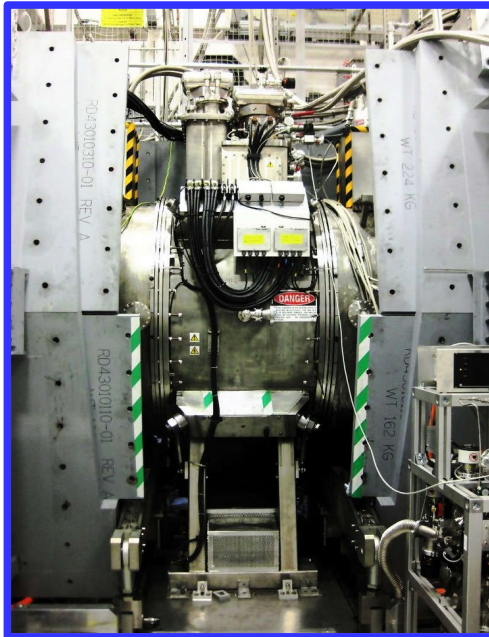
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# Superconducting Magnets

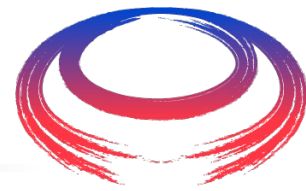


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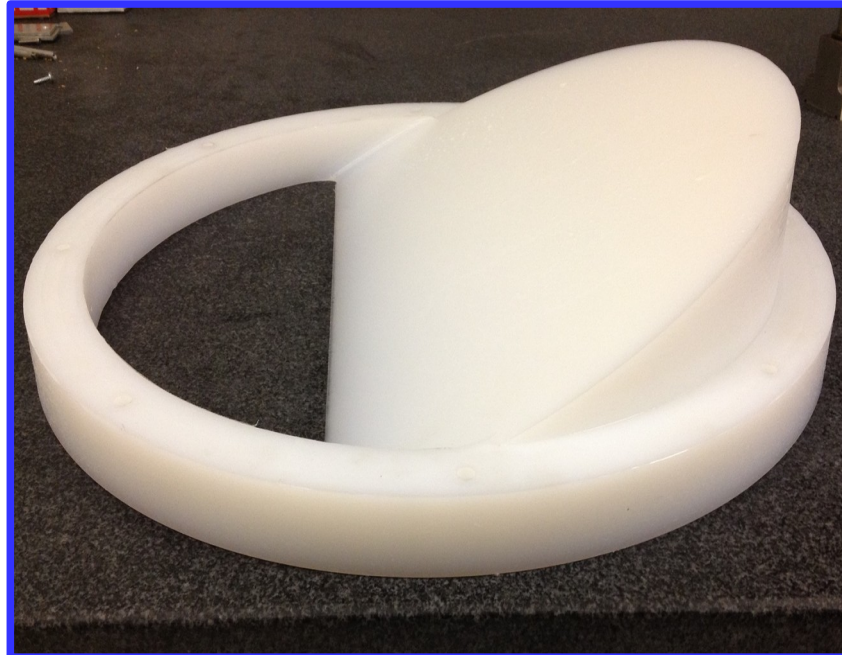


- Spectrometer solenoids upstream and downstream
  - 400 mm diameter bore, 5 coil assembly
  - Provide uniform 2-4 T solenoid field for detector systems
  - Match coils enable choice of beam focus
- Focus coil module provides final focus on absorber
  - Dual coil assembly - possible to flip polarity

# Absorber



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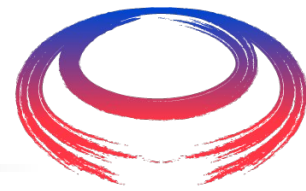
- 65 mm thick lithium hydride absorber
- 350 mm thick liquid hydrogen absorber
  - Contained in two pairs of 150-180 micron thick Al windows
- 45° polythene wedge absorber for longitudinal emittance studies



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## Muon ionisation cooling has been demonstrated by MICE

- Muons @  $\sim 140$  MeV/c
- Transverse cooling only
- No re-acceleration
- No intensity effects

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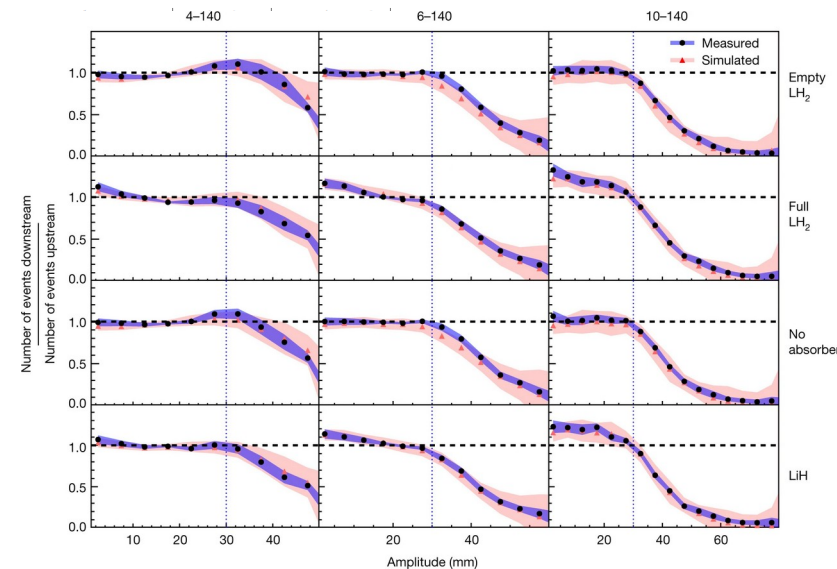
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### Demonstration of cooling by the Muon Ionization Cooling Experiment

MICE collaboration

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# The Muon Collider – Future R&D

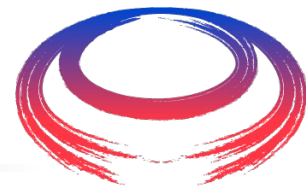
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# Making the Muon Collider Real



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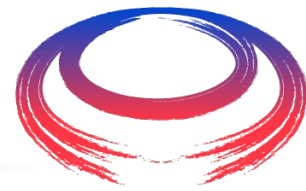
- Proton and electron accelerators have a century of operations
- How can we make a muon collider real?
  - Prototyping of key technology
  - Physics facilities using key technology
  - Staging



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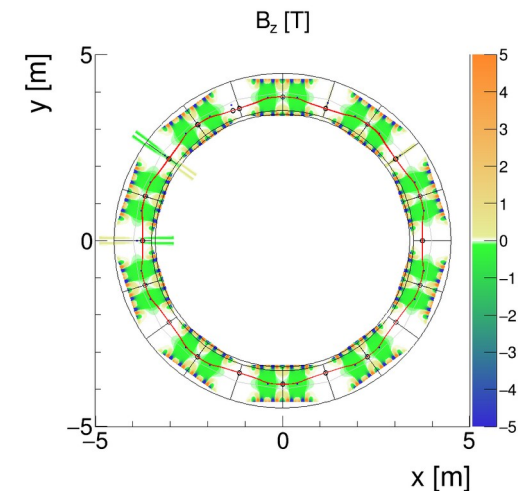
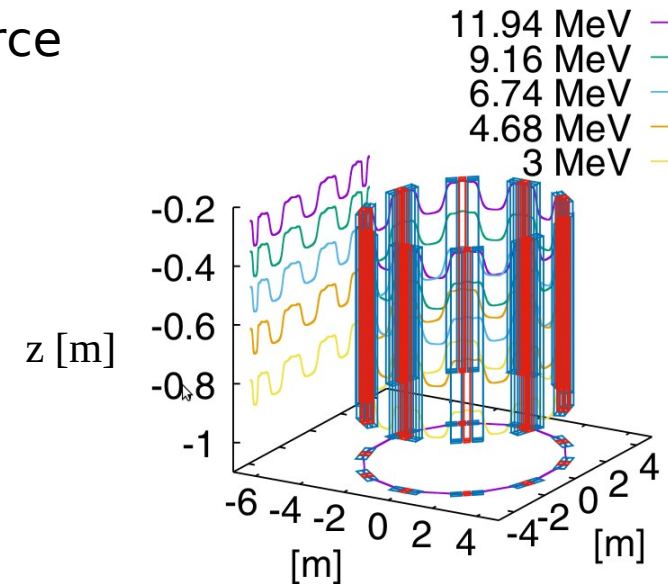
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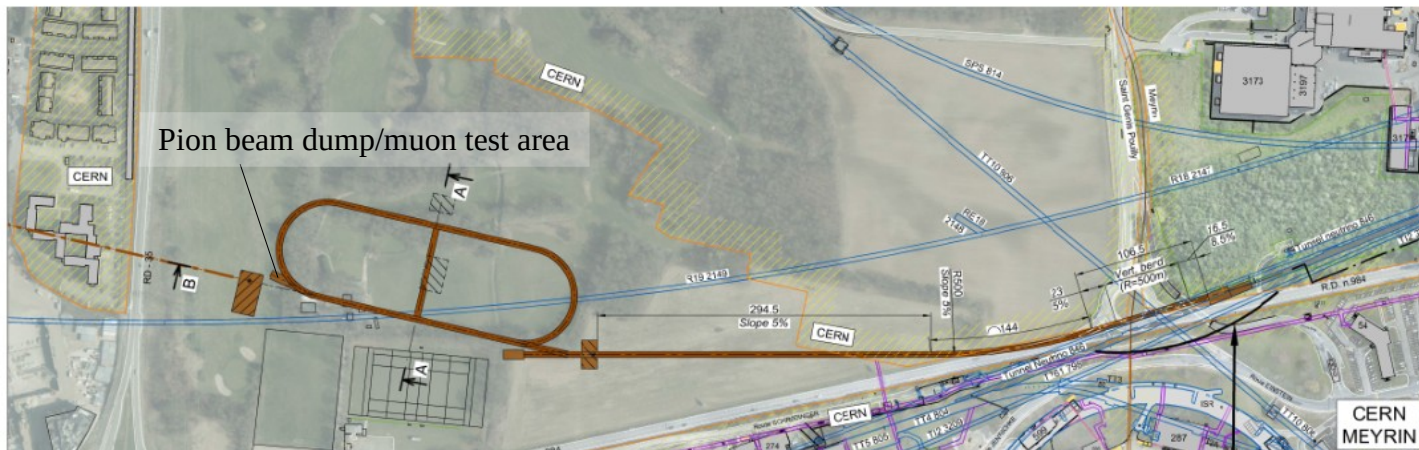
# The future - FETS-Ring?



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- FETS ring FFA prototype for ISIS protons
  - Scaled test for a neutron spallation source
  - vFFA?
  - Magnet prototyping in progress
- Questions
  - Can we build the magnet?
  - Can we accelerate to high intensity?
  - Can we control tune?
  - How do we correct for errors?
  - Can we inject/extract?



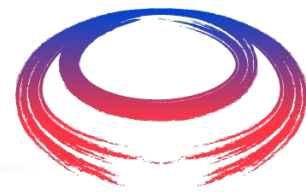


nuSTORM at CERN – Feasibility Study, Ahdida et al, CERN-PBC-REPORT-2019-003, 2020

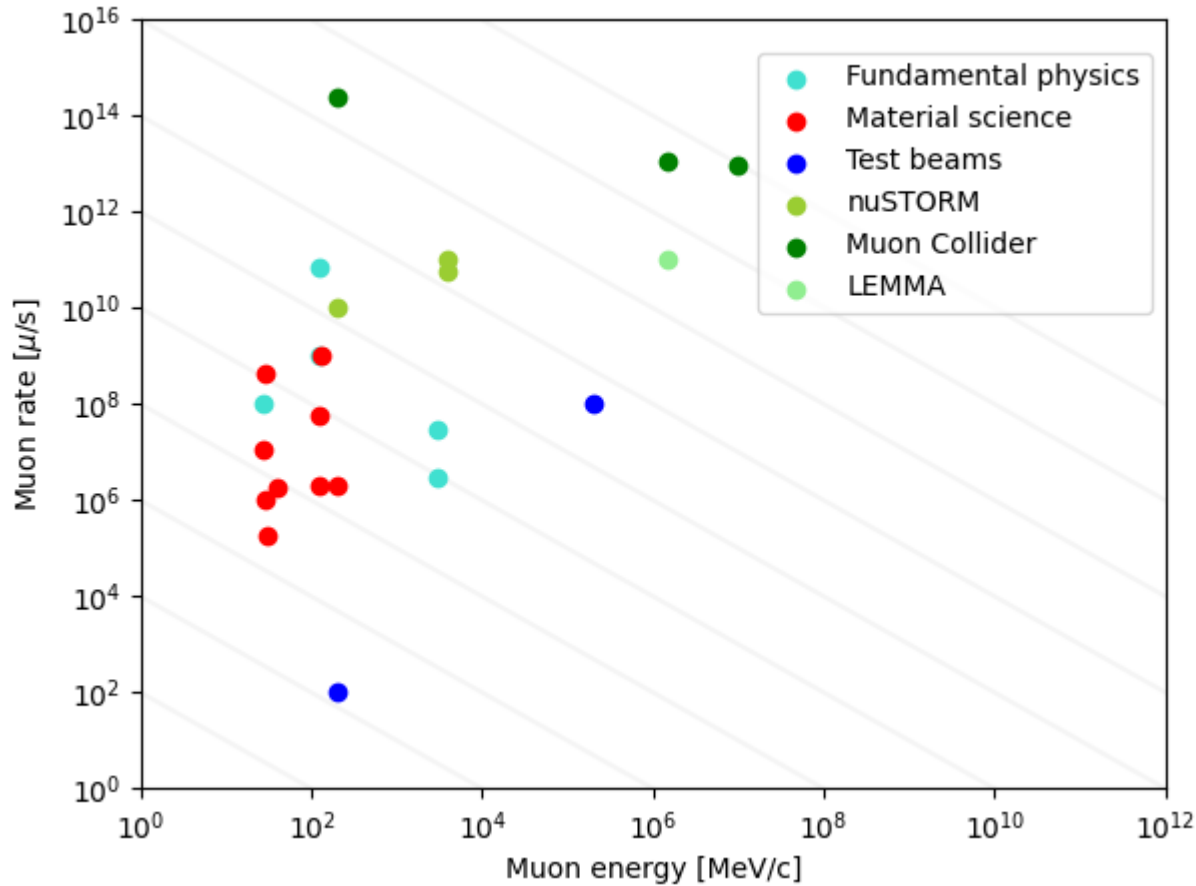
## ■ Neutrinos from stored muons

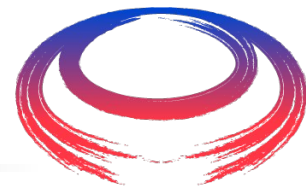
- Create  $\sim$  GeV pions using conventional pion target
- Bring the pions to a storage ring
- Pions decay to muons which are in momentum acceptance of ring
  - Pions are lost
  - Muons are stored
- Decay to neutrinos

# Survey of Muon Beamlines

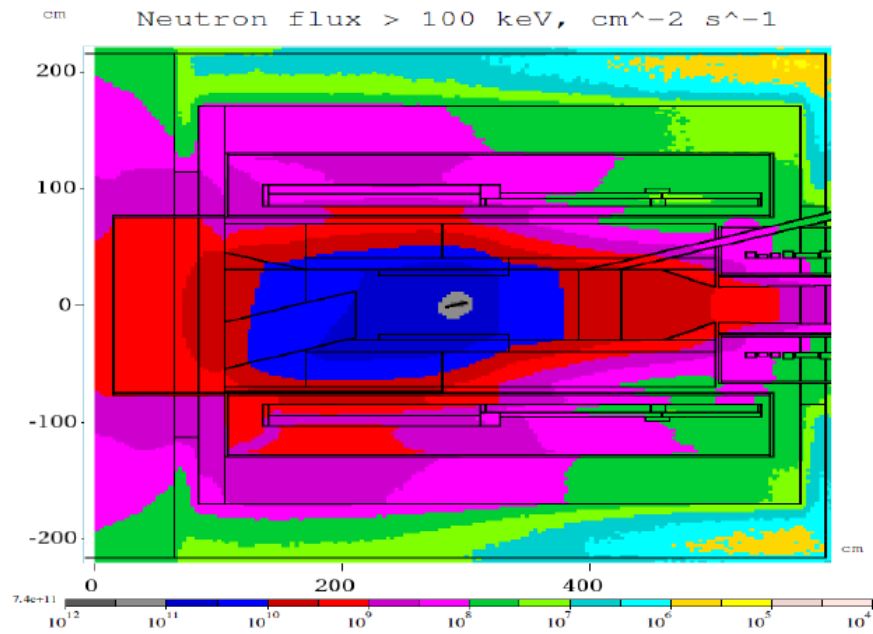
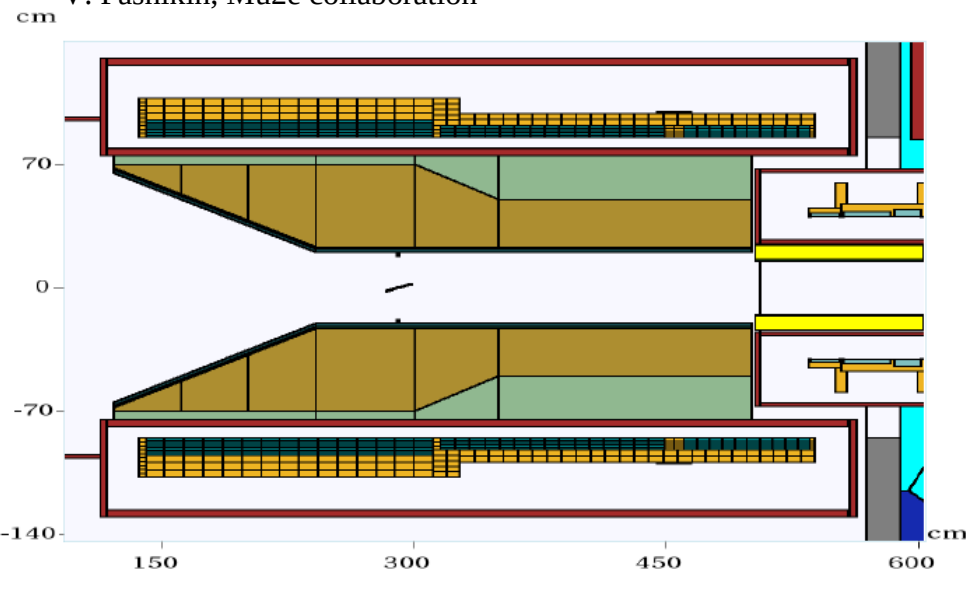


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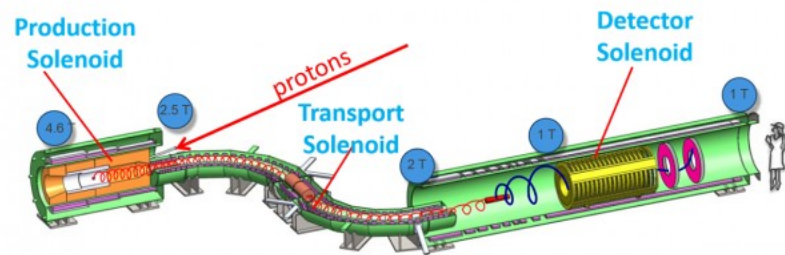




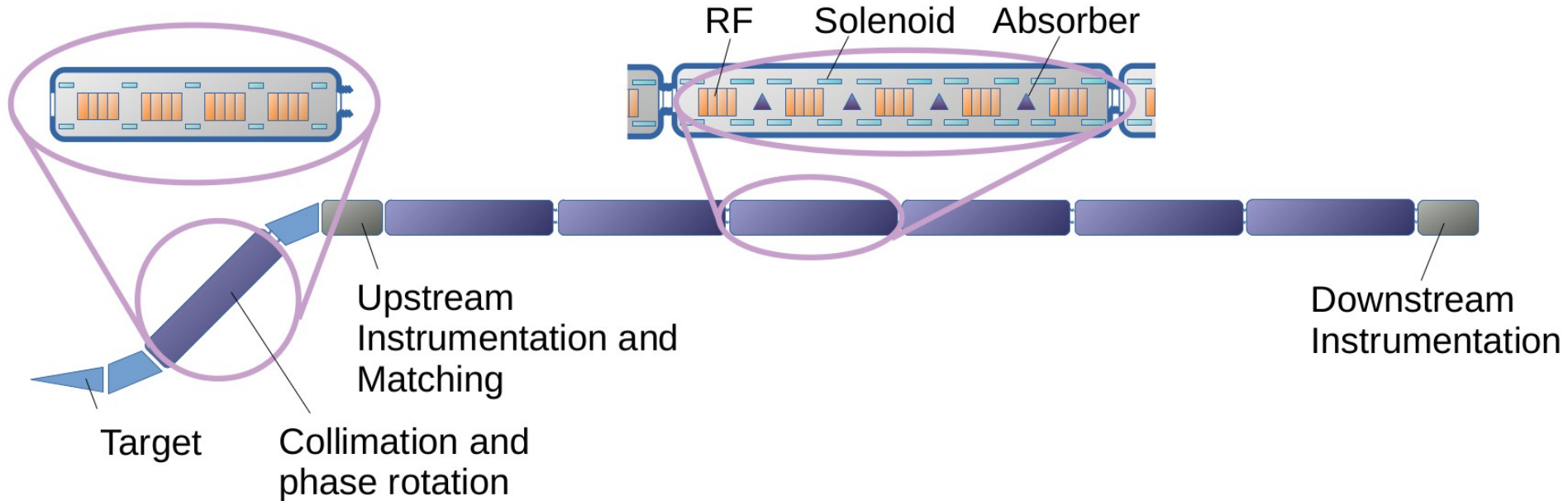
V. Pashikin, Mu2e collaboration



- Mu2e → search for rare muon decay
- Use muons produced by pions on target in solenoid field
  - ~10s kW
  - ~few T
  - Scaled down version of MuC target



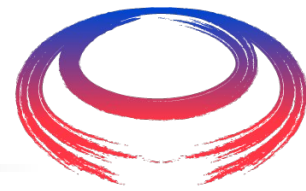
# Cooling Demonstrator



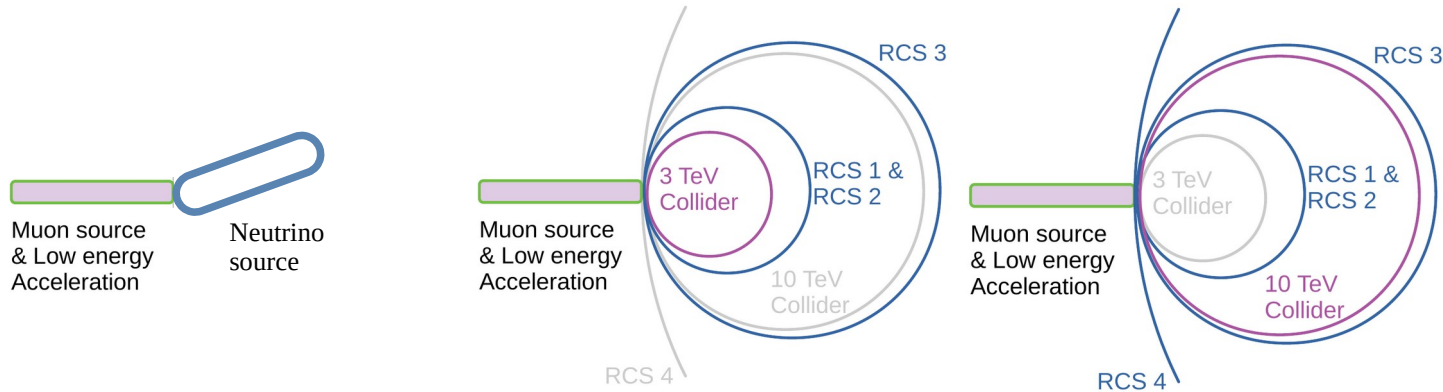
- Build on MICE
  - Longitudinal and transverse cooling
  - Re-acceleration
  - Chaining together multiple cells
  - Routine operation



# Staging



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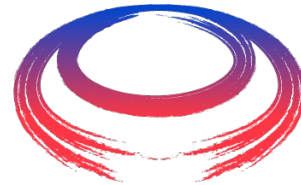


- Introduce a staged approach to MuC
  - Prototypes (**Present day**)
  - Neutrino sources
  - Muon-based Higgs factory
  - 3 TeV muon collider
  - 10 TeV muon collider
- Each stage within reasonable budget, on reasonable time scale



# Summary

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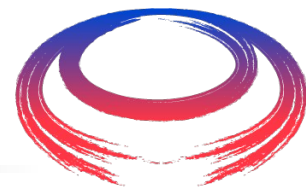
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# Summary



- We've looked at the major components of the muon collider
  - Proton driver
  - Muon production and capture
  - Ionisation cooling
  - Acceleration
  - Collision
- We've looked at the steps that have been made, and continue to be brought to bear, to make it happen
  - Technology demonstrators
  - Physics facilities



- The muon collider has the potential to explore physics reach at the highest energies
  - Fraction of the footprint of comparable facilities
  - Expectation of much lower power requirements
  - Advance particle physics by ~ decades
- Many technical challenges
  - All are manageable with current or near-to-current technologies
- This is **your** accelerator
  - The technology is for you to invent
  - The technology is for you to demonstrate
  - Muon collider will be a defining technology for **your** generation

**The muons are calling  
And we must follow**

