

Update on the ISOLDE Superconducting Recoil Separator

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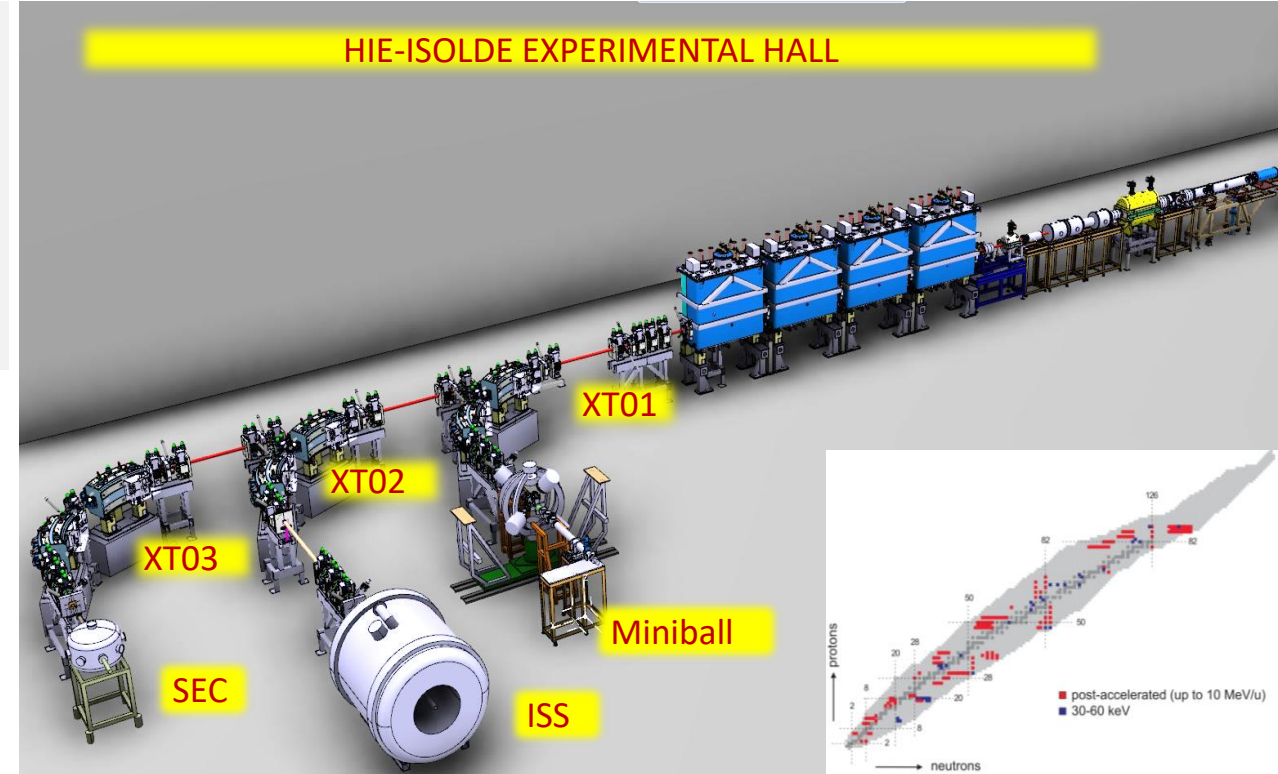
THE HIE-ISOLDE FACILITY AT CERN

World-leading facility in radioisotope production and acceleration

- Large range of radioactive beams: from ${}^6\text{He}$ – ${}^{234}\text{Ra}$
 - > 1000 isotopes, > 70 elements
 - Wide energy range 0.45 -~ 10 MeV/A
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- Broad research program with radioactive nuclei
 - A Recoil Separator will greatly extend the ISOLDE physics program.
 - Previous project: HIE-Isolde Fragment Identifier, using warm magnets (HIFI) – 2011-2017.

Present : ISOLDE **Superconducting** Recoil Separator (ISRS)

- First studies started in 2019
- LoI INTC-I-228 approved, INTC-2021.



LoI INTC-I-228: Design study of a Superconducting Recoil Separator for HIE-ISOLDE

Objective: carry out R&D program to study the possibility to develop a compact fragment separator using **innovative** concepts and technologies:

- (1) *Mini- particle storage ring*
- (2) *Fixed Field Alternating Gradient*
- (3) *Iron free combined-function Canted Cosine Theta magnets*
- (4) *cryostats cooled by cryocoolers*

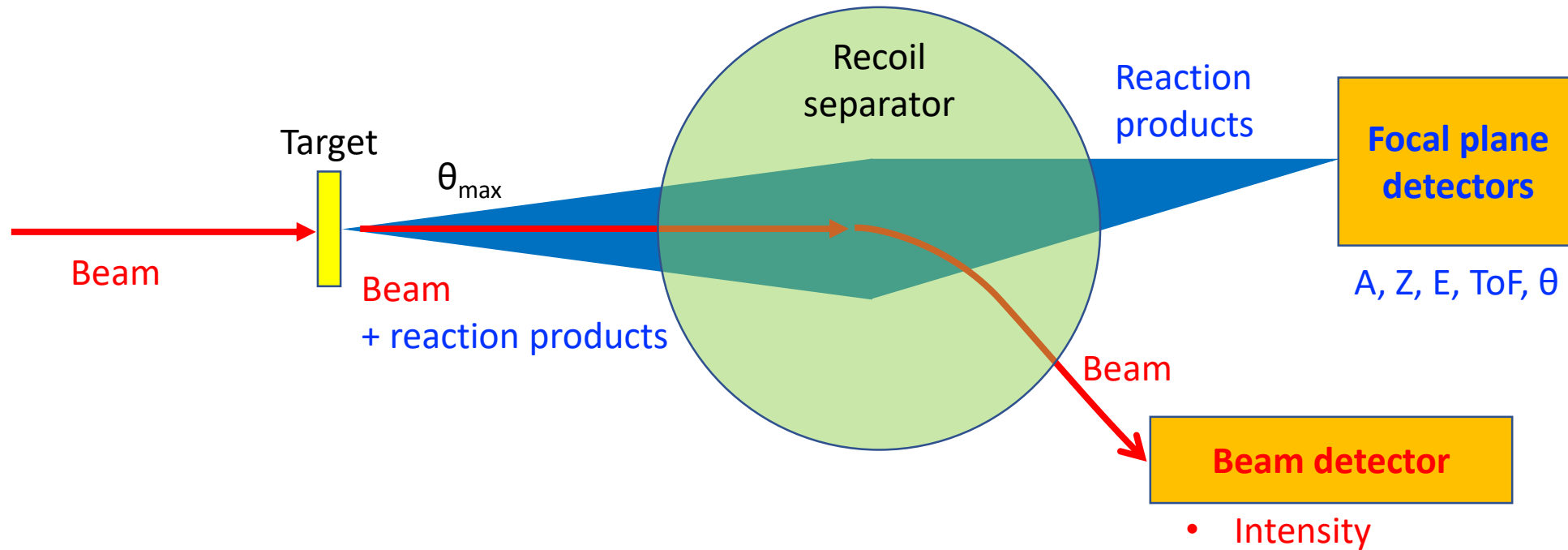
- **Technological breakthrough** for future fragment separators, mass spectrometers, recirculating targets (→TSR)
- **Construction** of mini-particle accelerators and ion-transport systems for societal applications → hadron-therapy, radioisotope production, gantries.

Main advantages:

- **Mini-RING particle storage system:** large flight path in small space → ToF, Q/A resolving power, ...
- **RF system:** mass spectrometry → synchronous mode of operation.
- **FFAG:** allows storing particle beams of large momentum and energy acceptance using FIXED FIELDS.
- **Multifunction SC magnets:** Compactness; High B, Low power.
- **Iron-free SC CCT:**
 - ✓ CCT Versatility, high-order corrections
 - ✓ Lightweight systems
 - ✓ Avoid iron hysteresis/nonlinearities
 - ✓ Energy consumption
- **Cryostats cooled by cryocoolers:** portability, mobility and operation (rotations – complex if using LHe)

Recoil Separators

- Use to detect forward focussed reaction products (recoils): A, Z, E, ToF, θ
- Separate them from the primary beam.



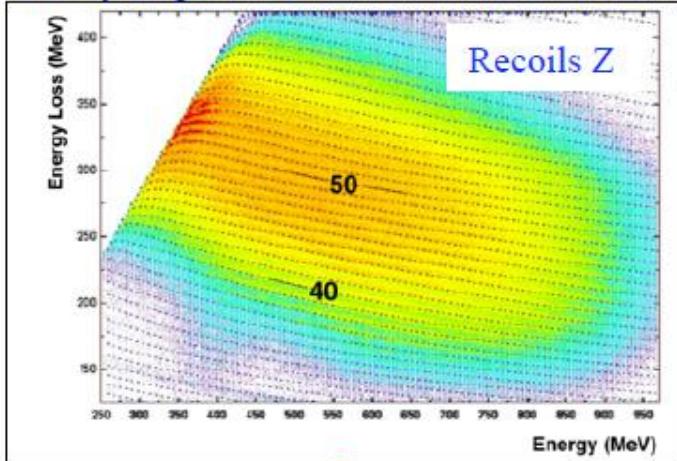
VAMOS @ GANIL (Caen, France)

Selectivity on rigidity

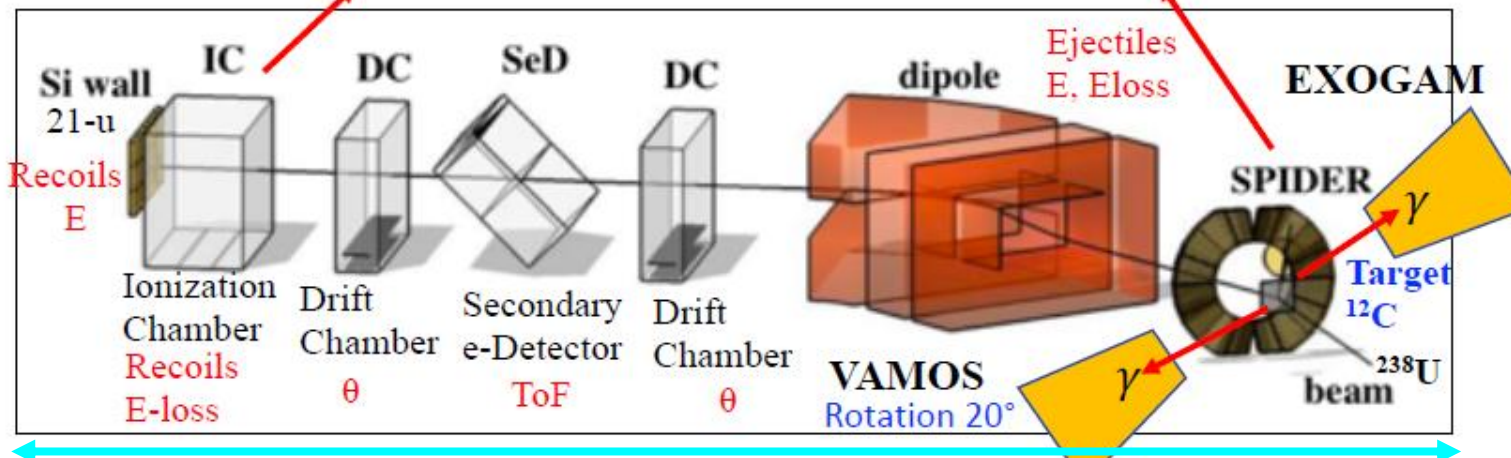
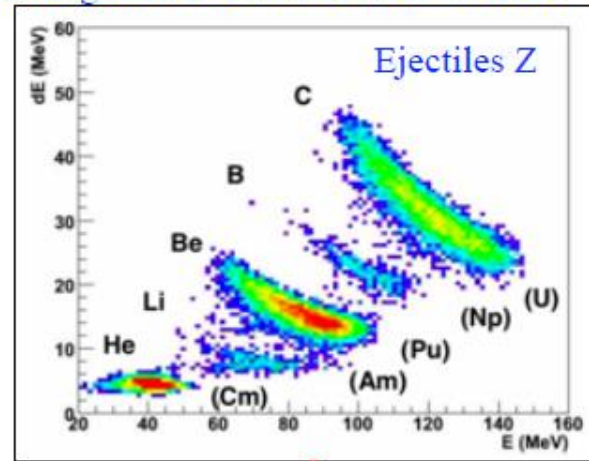
Flight path ~ 10 m

$R > 200$

Heavy fragment Z-identification: VAMOS

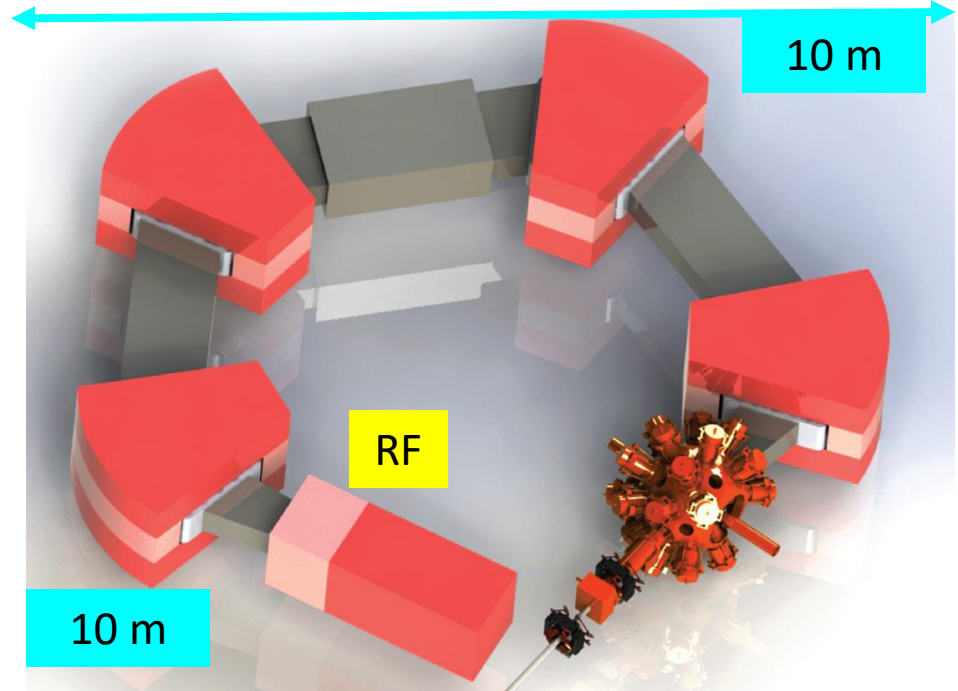


Light fragment Z-identification: SPIDER



15 m

ISLA @ FRIB (Michigan, USA)



Selectivity on ToF:

Larger flight path ~ 20 m

γ -tagging on target with scintillators (< 1 ns)

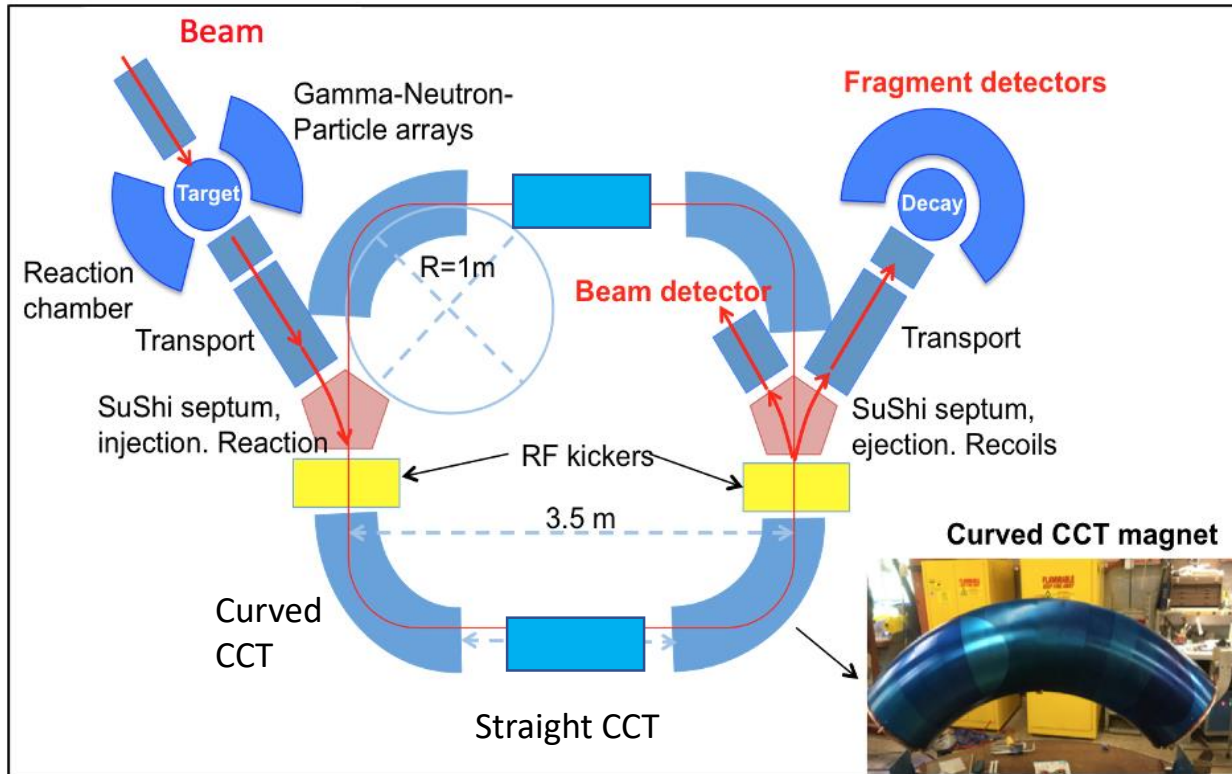
MCP at focal point (0.1 ns)

RF system \rightarrow select A/q and charge states

$R > 1000$

ISRS concept

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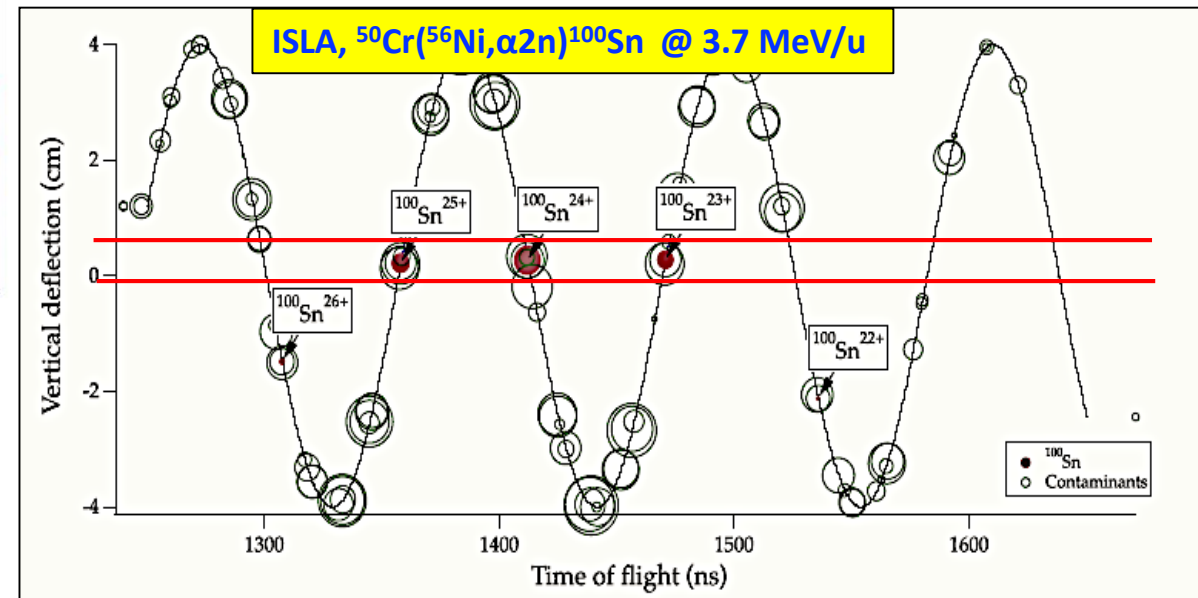


- Large acceptance particle storage system (FFAG optics)
- Mini-ring ~ 3.5 m diameter (CCT comb. function magnets)
- Increased flight path ~ 200 m
- 100% storage efficiency (from ^{11}Li to ^{234}Ra @ 10 MeV/u)
- $R \gg 1000$

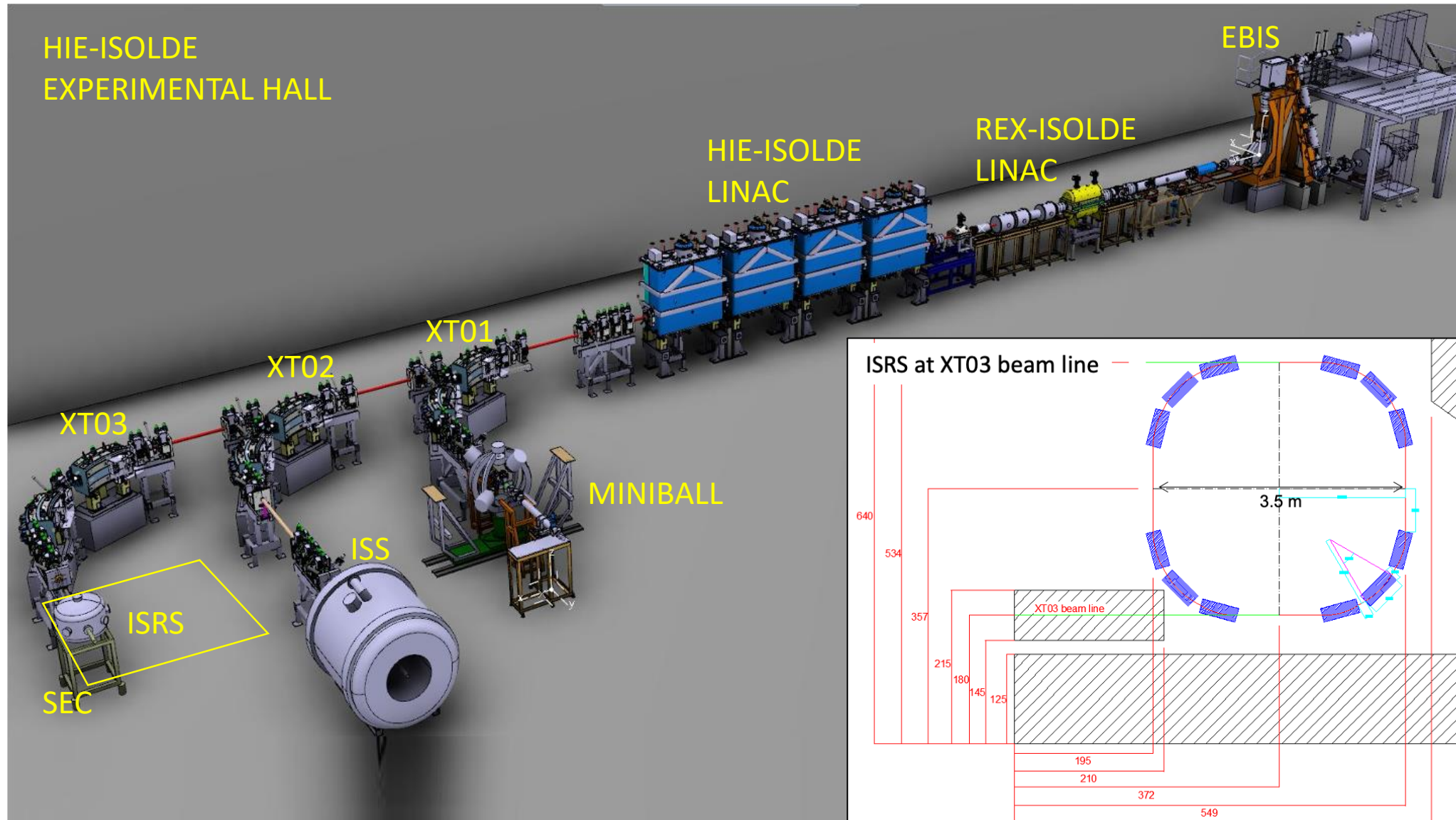
Large A/Q selectivity

- Magnetic rigidity $B\rho$
- Cyclotron frequency ω_c
- RF frequency ω_{RF}
- γ -tagging on target with scintillators (ToF < 1ns)
- Eloss detectors (Focal Plane) \rightarrow E, Q, A, ToF (< 5ns)

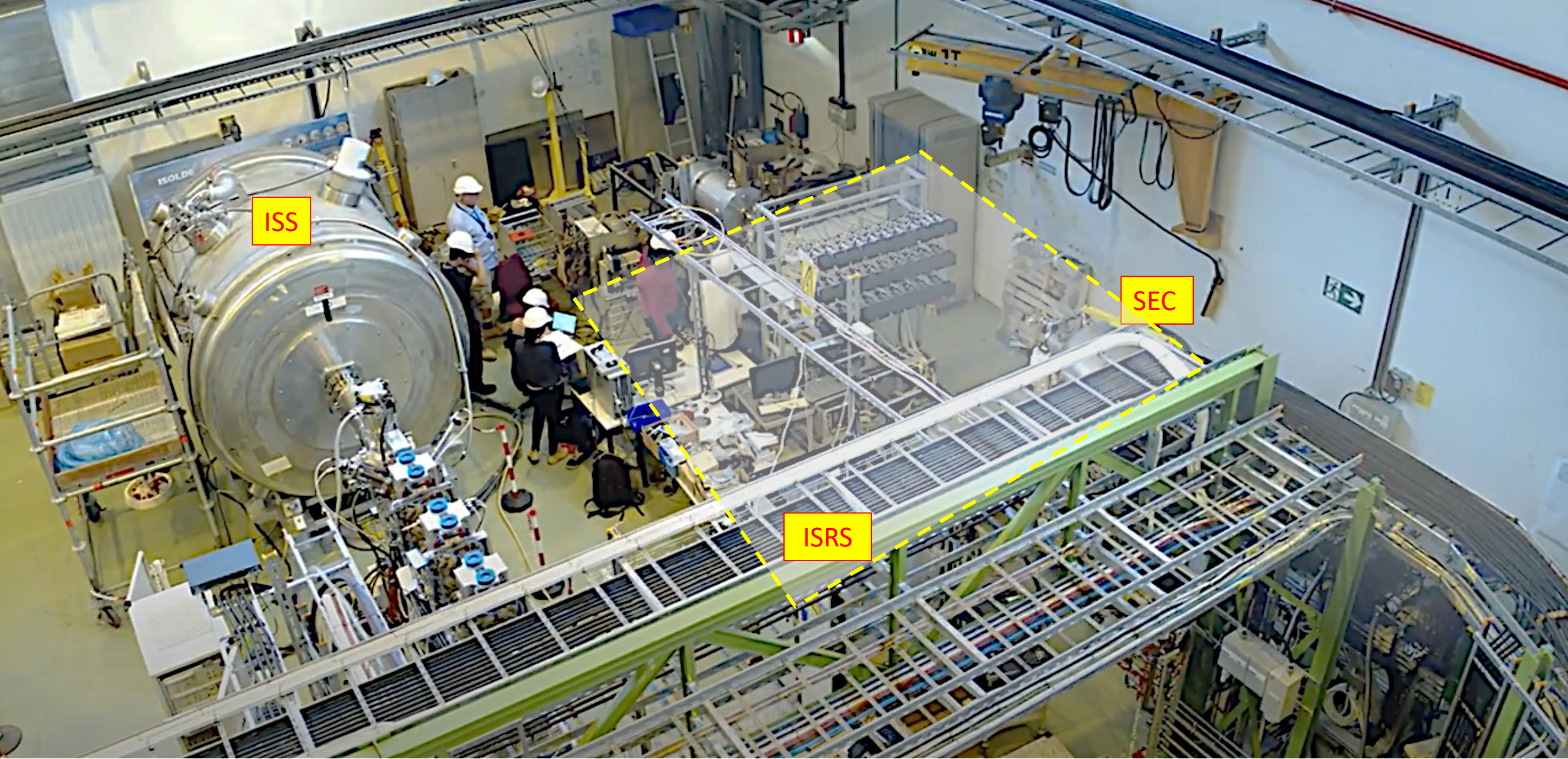
RF cavity at the isochronous focus \rightarrow deflection & Q/A
 RF harmonic and phase \rightarrow charge states of the same isotope



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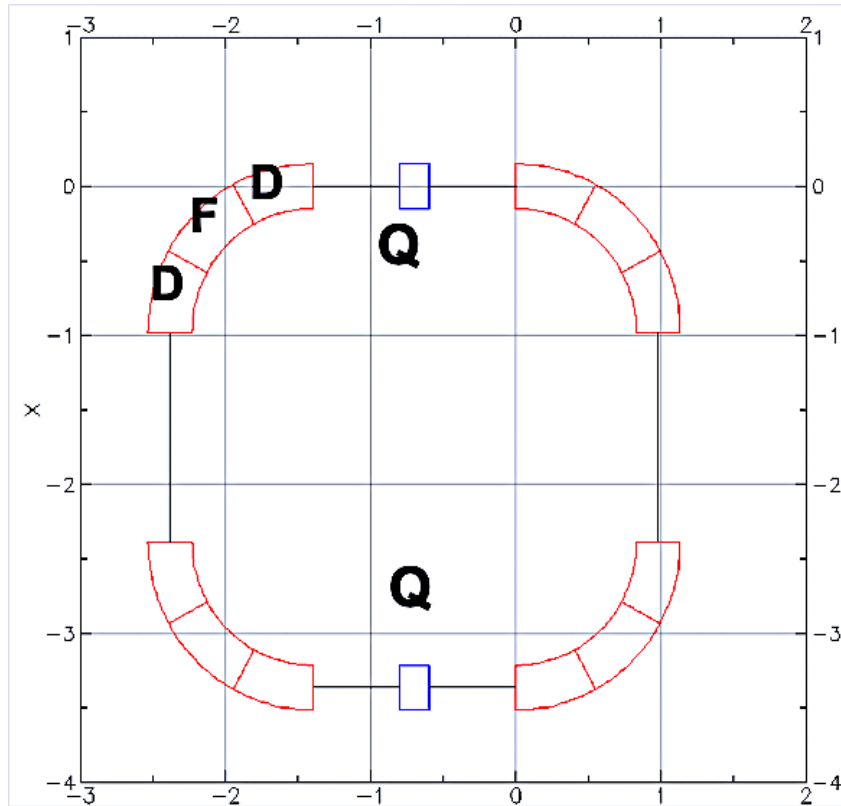
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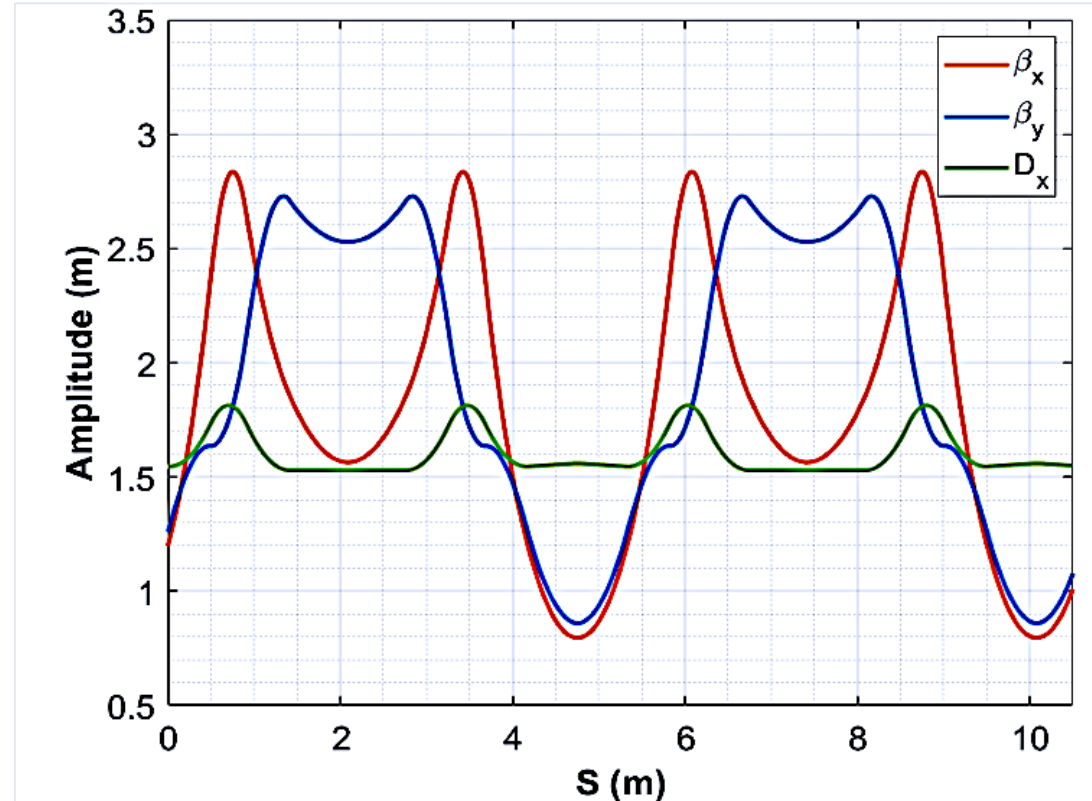
ISRS

ISRS BEAM DYNAMICS

Study for isochronous optics solution



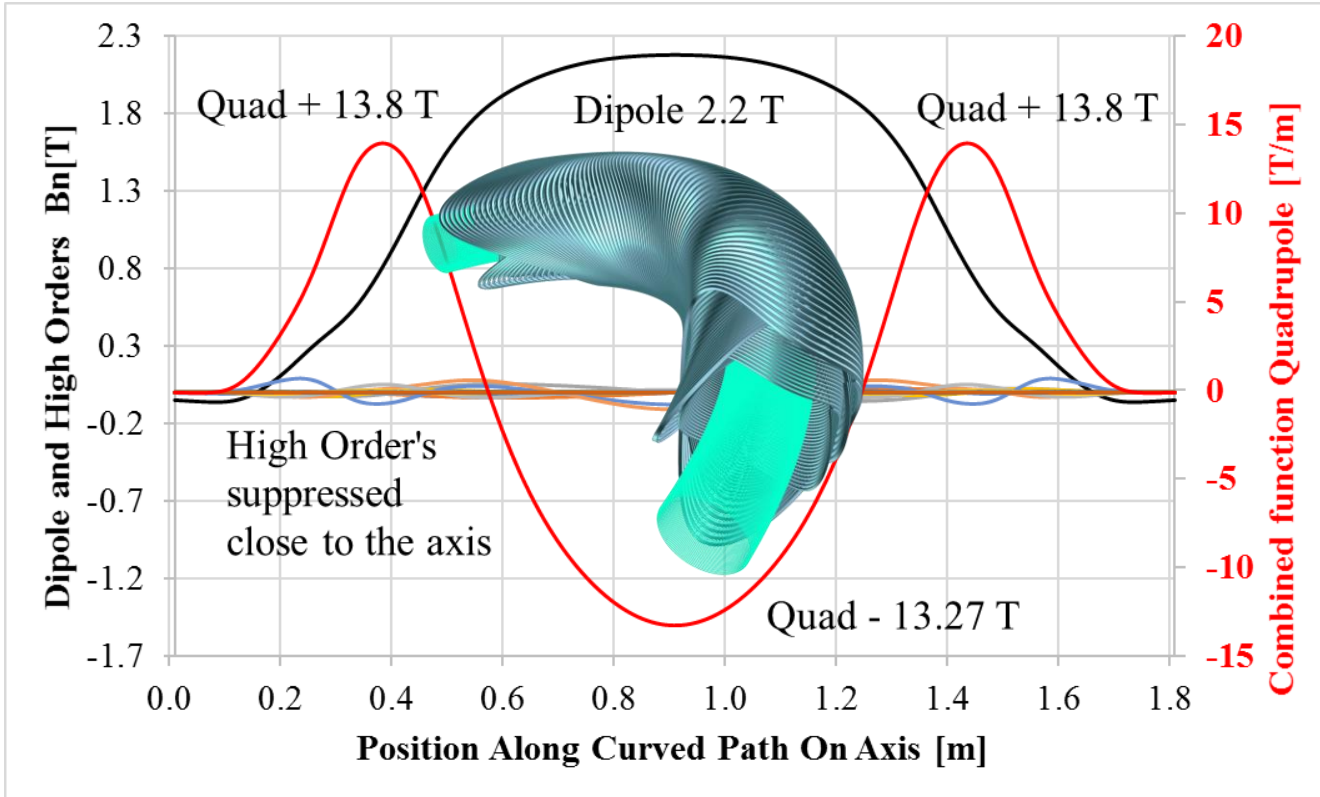
Floor plan of the ISRS ring consisting of four 90° CCT magnets with a DFD alternating quadrupolar sequence and two additional quadrupoles (Q) to facilitate optical matching.



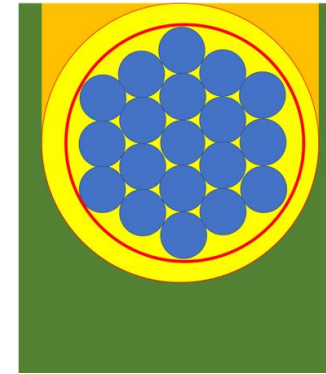
Twiss parameters (betatron functions $\beta_{x,y}$ and first order dispersion function D_x) of the ISRS lattice for an isochronous optics solution.

Courtesy of J. Resta, Univ. Valencia

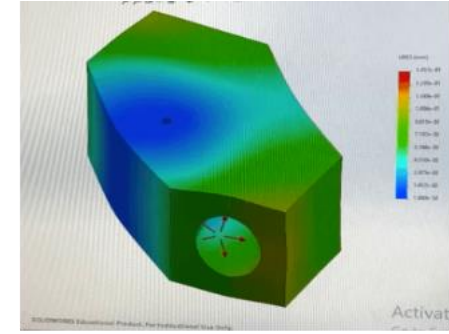
CCT DIPOLE + TRIPLET DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION



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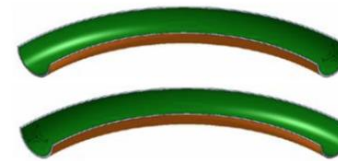


investigation Channel layouts

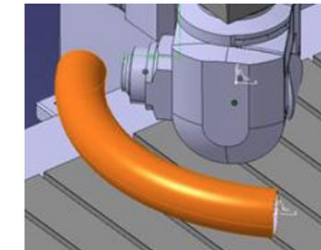


Deflection stress

Machining → formers



Two halves



e-welding + machining

Full HIE-ISOLDE combo coil
 Dipole 2.2T- Quad 15 T/m
 200 mm aperture
 1 m curvature radii
 90 deg = 1570 mm arc length
 24 wires in 4x6 channel

9 km wire, 710 A
 4.1 T peak field
 2 layers – formers
 Inductance 768 mH
 Stored Energy 193.5 kJ
 Load line fraction 79.8%

- CCT Protection,
- Impregnation,
- Winding force on channel walls,
- etc

G. Kirby et al., IEEE Transactions on Applied Superconductivity 23(2022)1-5, 10.1109/TASC.2022.3158332

Courtesy of G. Kirby, CERN

CCT Technology development

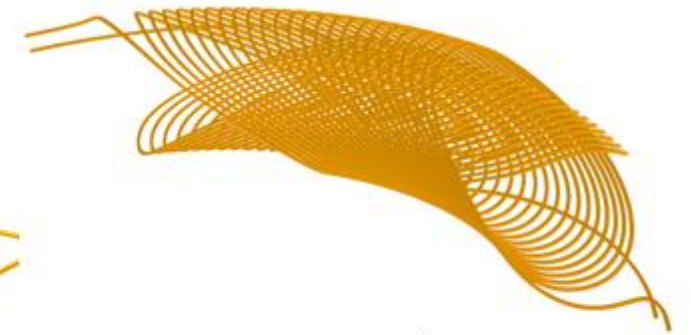
First step: pulsed resistive models



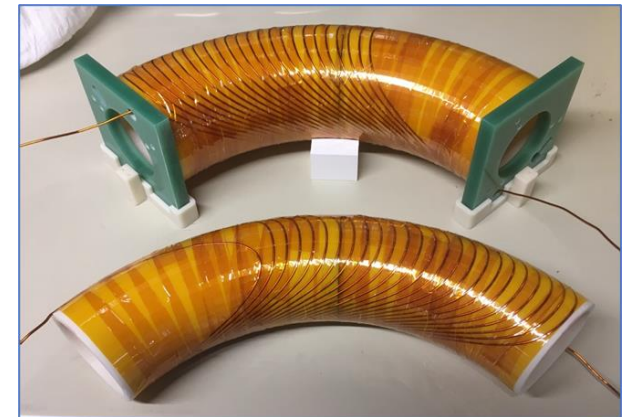
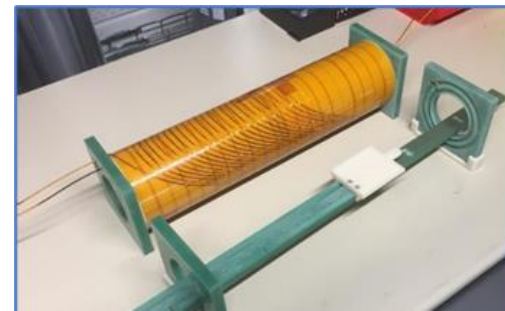
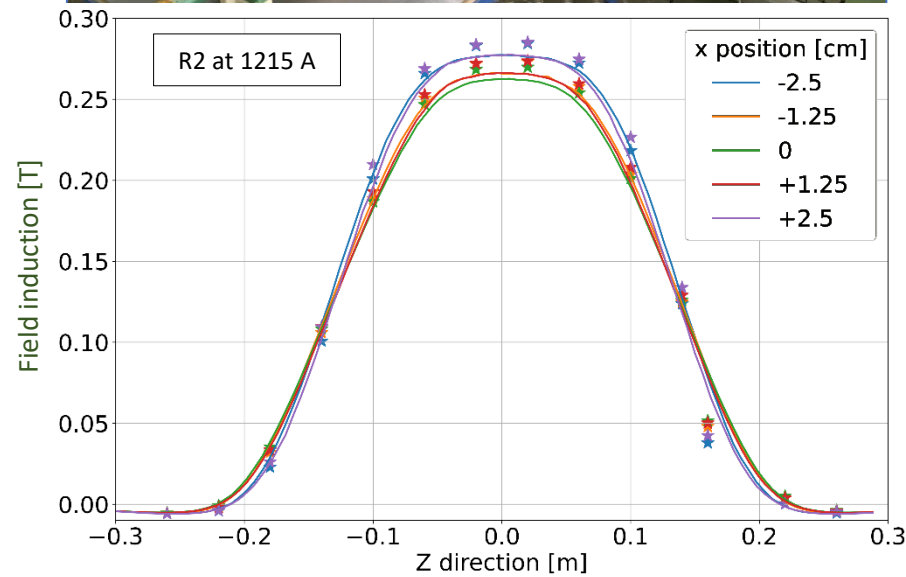
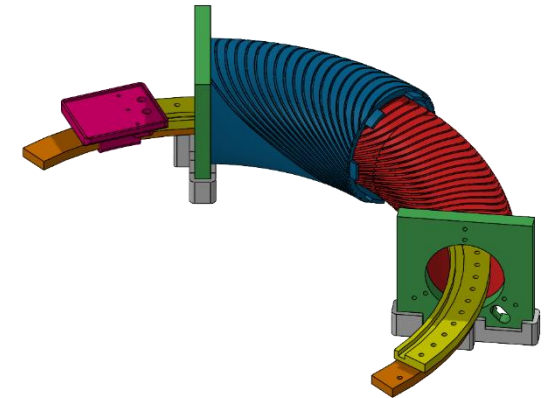
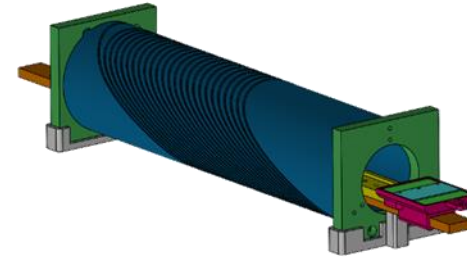
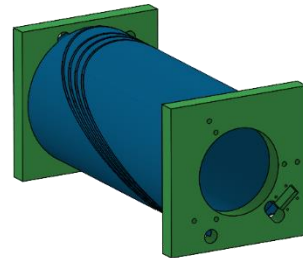
Short Straight - R1



Long Straight - R2

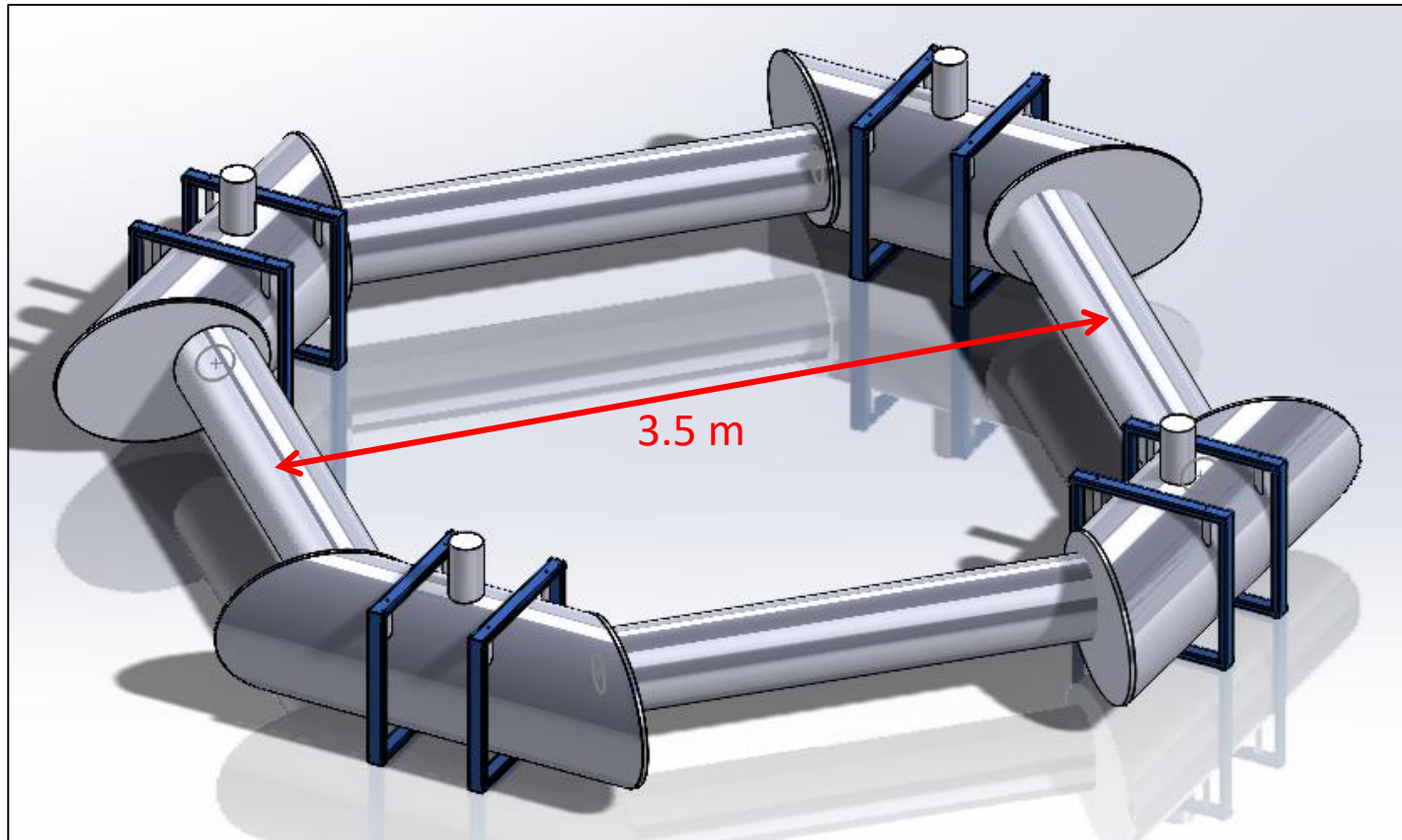


Long Curved - R3

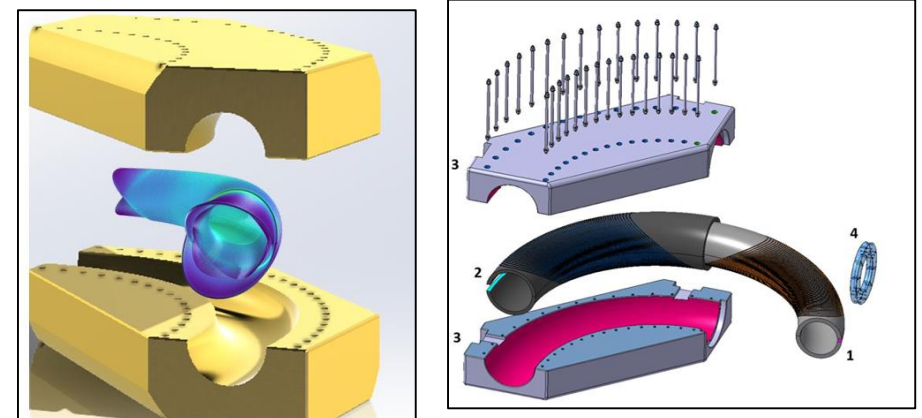


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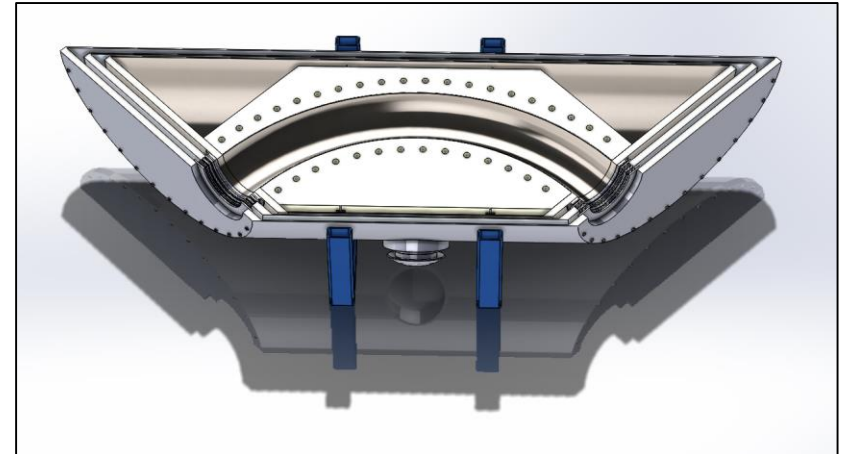
ISRS PRELIMINARY DESIGNS



MINI-RING



CCT Dipole

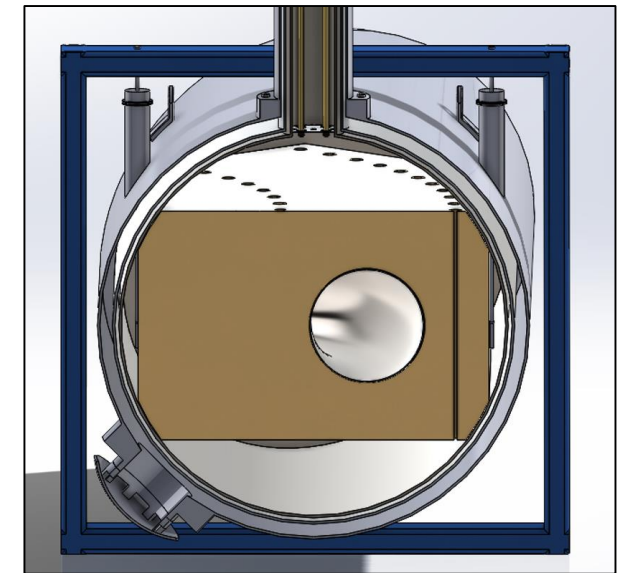
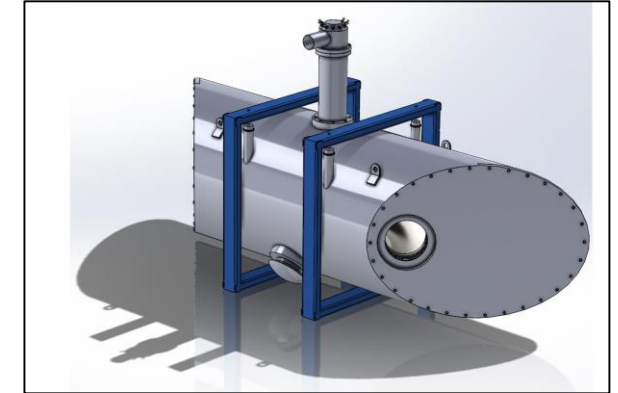
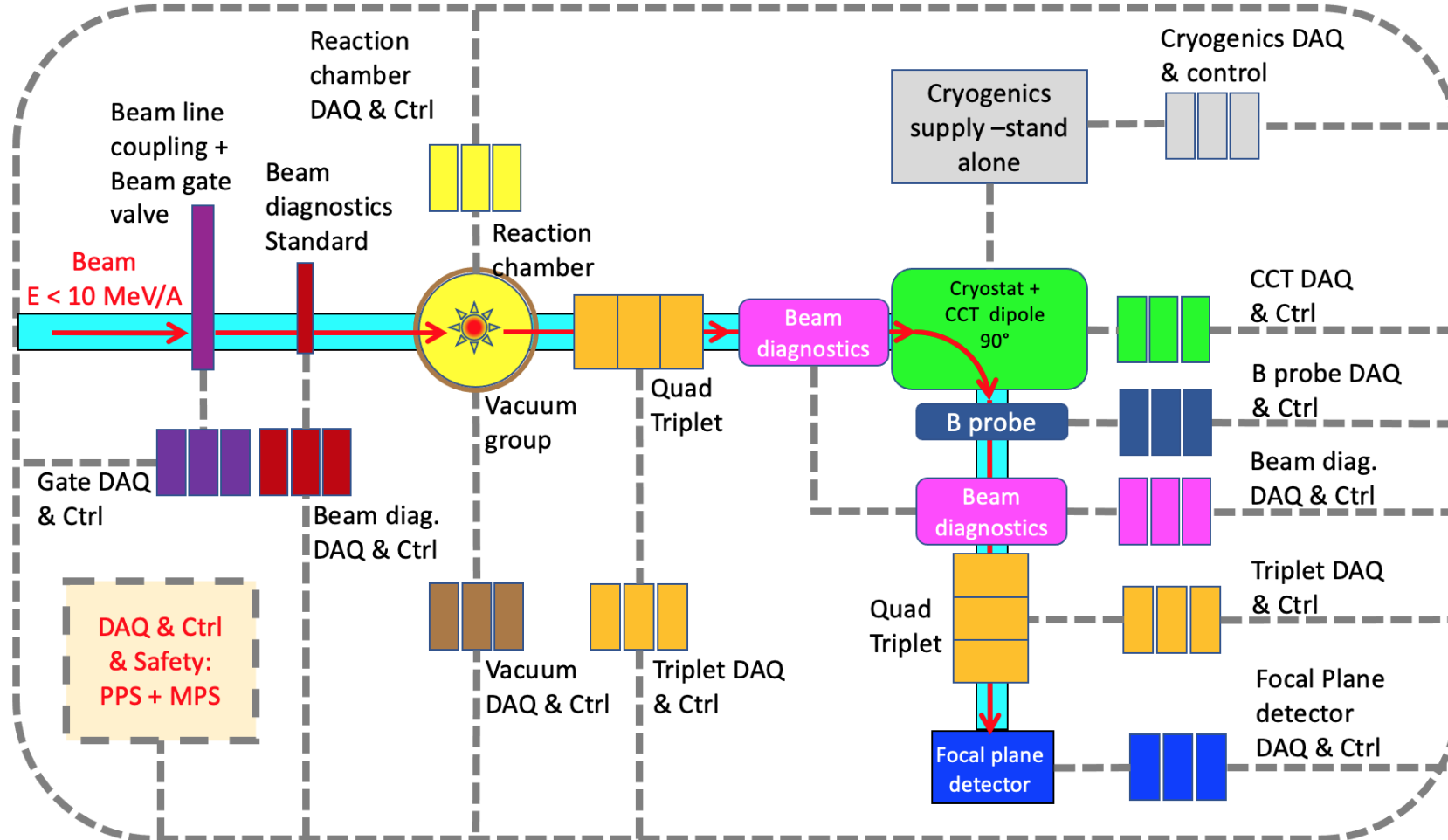


CRYOSTAT

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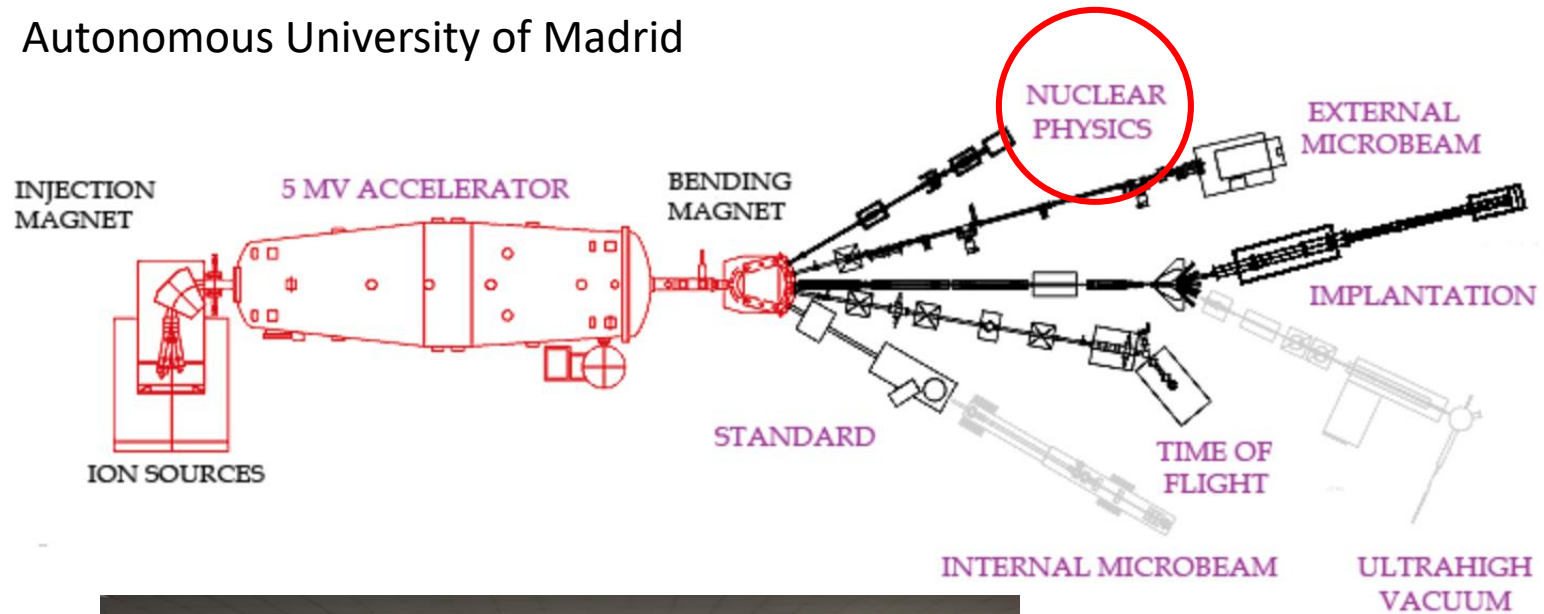
CCT test bench

- Test the CCT magnet with ion beams
- Obtain data to validate beam dynamics
- Preliminary concepts, technical drawings, definition of subsystems



CMAM (Centro de Micro-Análisis de Materiales)

Autonomous University of Madrid



- 5MV terminal voltage tandem accelerator (Tandetron)
- Duoplasmatron Ion Source
- Sputtering Ion Source
- Buncher system (on going)

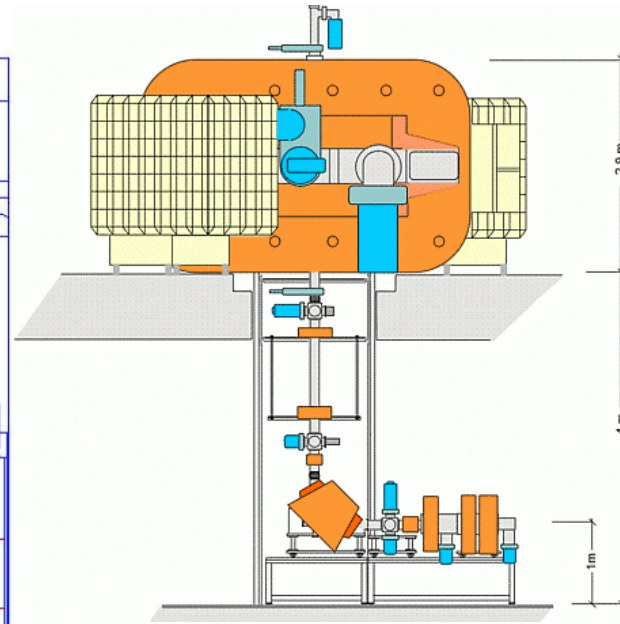
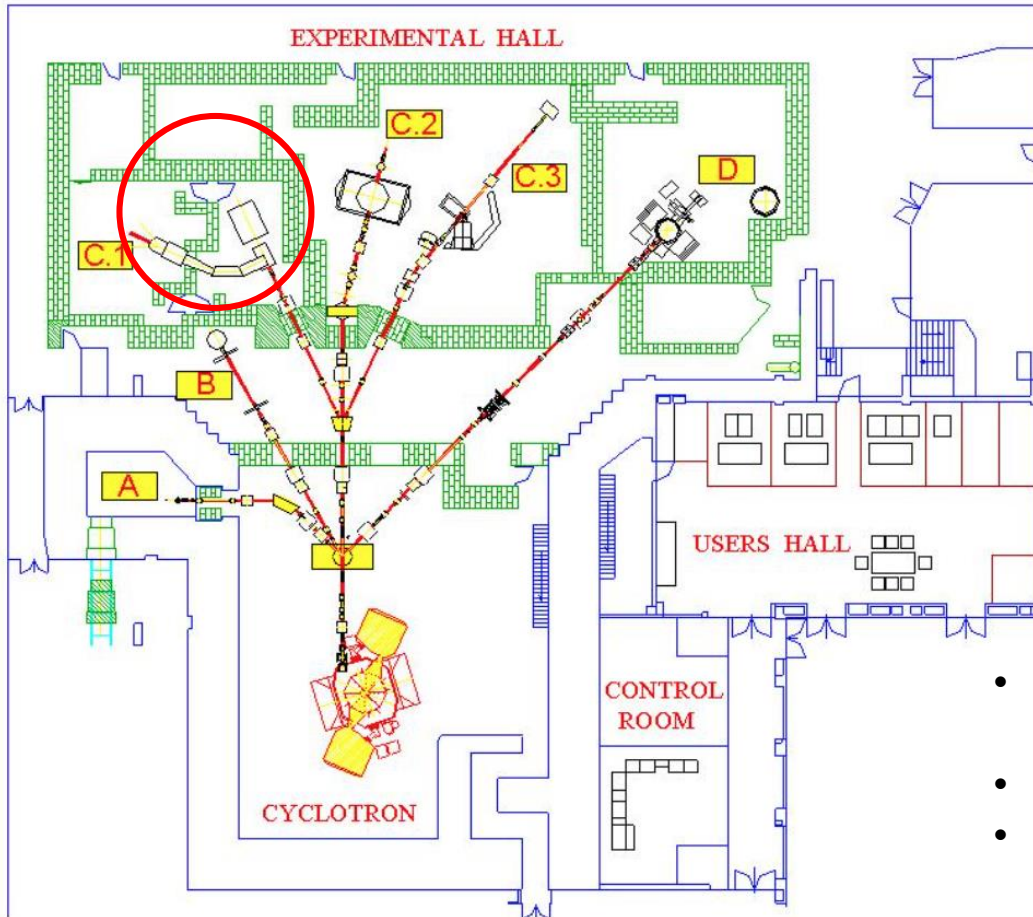


A	Q	E (MeV)	E/A (MeV)
1	1	10.00	10.00
6	3	20.00	3.33
9	4	25.00	2.78
10	5	30.00	3.00
12	6	35.00	2.92

Preliminary tests of CCT Test Bench

Heavy Ion Laboratory (HIL)

Warsaw University

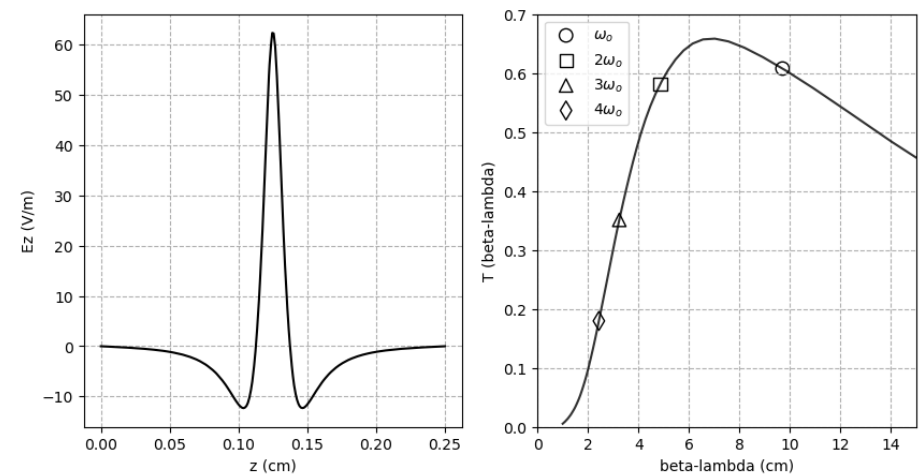
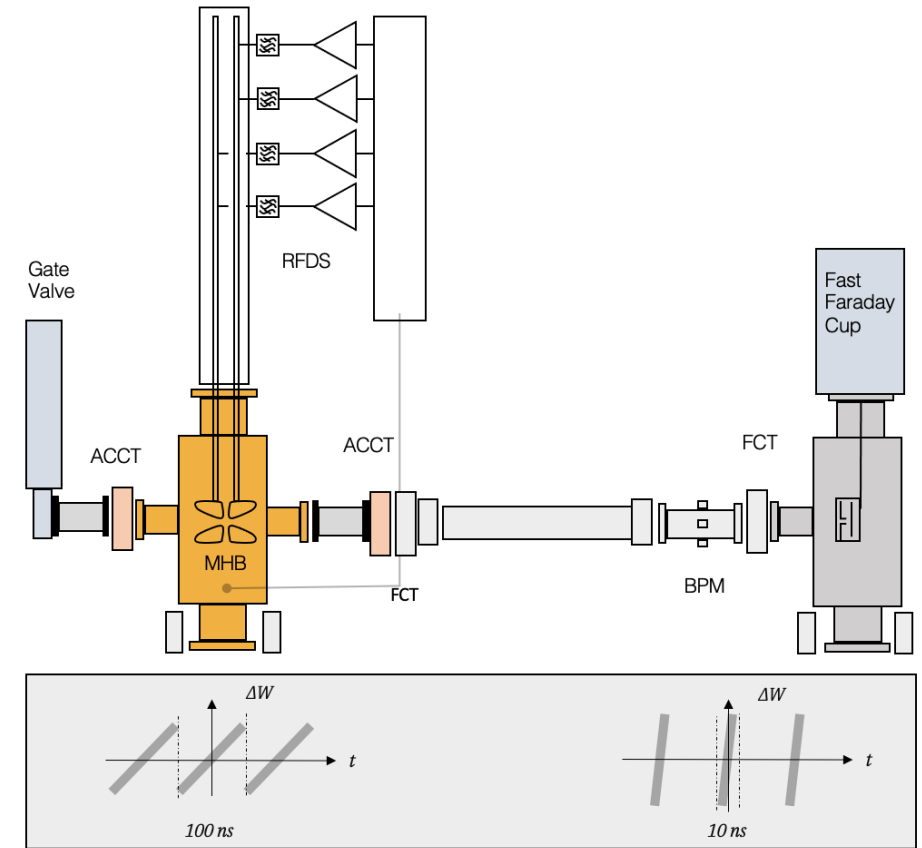
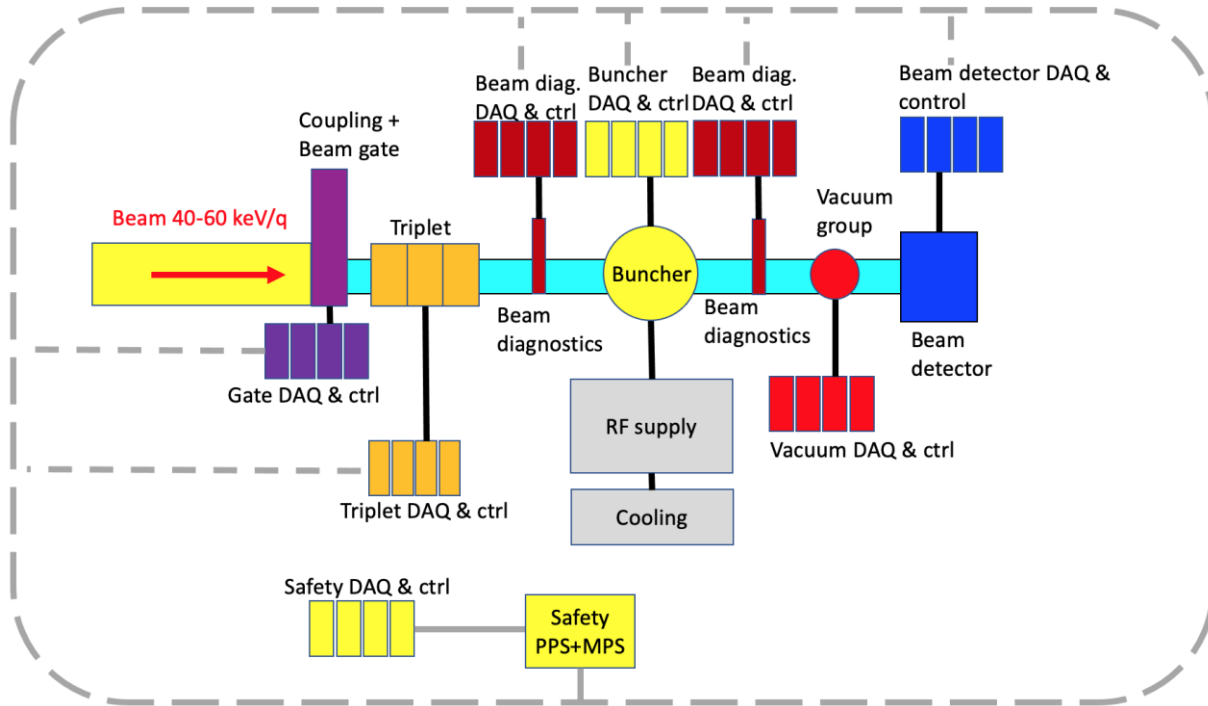


- Isochronous heavy-ion cyclotron (K=160)
- Two ECR sources
- Beams from He up to Ar, (and Xe) up to 10 MeV/A
- ~ 5 ns pulse width
- 12 - 21 MHz

Ion	Energy min [MeV]	Energy max [MeV]	Energy max [MeV/nucl.]
$^{10}\text{B}^{+2}$	51	55	5.5
$^{11}\text{B}^{+2}$	40	50	4.5
$^{12}\text{C}^{+2}$	38	50	4.2
$^{12}\text{C}^{+3}$	53	92	7.7
$^{13}\text{C}^{+3}$		90	6.9
$^{14}\text{N}^{+2}$	32	50	3.6
$^{14}\text{N}^{+3}$	57	91	6.5
$^{15}\text{N}^{+3}$		43	2.9
$^{16}\text{O}^{+3}$	46	80	5.0
$^{16}\text{O}^{+4}$	80	120	7.5
$^{18}\text{O}^{+4}$	100	120	6.7
$^{19}\text{F}^{+3}$	50	66	3.5
$^{20}\text{Ne}^{+3}$	45	68	3.4
$^{20}\text{Ne}^{+4}$	68	115	5.8
$^{20}\text{Ne}^{+5}$	130	160	8.0
$^{22}\text{Ne}^{+3}$	44	55	2.5
$^{24}\text{Mg}^{+4}$		77	3.2
$^{32}\text{S}^{+5}$	79	110	3.4
$^{32}\text{S}^{+6}$	120(*)	150	4.7
$^{32}\text{S}^{+7}$	120(*)	225	7.0
$^{40}\text{Ar}^{+6}$	90(*)	132	3.7
$^{40}\text{Ar}^{+7}$	130(*)	164	4.1
$^{40}\text{Ar}^{+8}$	180(*)	200	5.0

Buncher test bench

- Test the CCT magnet with ion beams
- Obtain data to validate beam dynamics
- Preliminary concepts, technical drawings, simulations, subsystems



Courtesy of I. Bustinduy, ESS-Bilbao

Simulations based on the M.A. Fraser great reports.
HIE-ISOLDE-PROJECT-Note-0035

High current Multi-Specimens Ion Source



Number	Symbol	Name	Atomic Weight (A)	1st (eV)	2nd (eV)	3rd (eV)
1	H	Hydrogen	1.008	13.59844		
2	He	Helium	4.003	24.58738	54.41776	
7	N	Nitrogen	14.01	14.53414	29.6013	47.44924
8	O	Oxygen	16	13.61806	35.11730	54.9355
10	Ne	Neon	20.18	21.5646	40.96328	63.45
18	Ar	Argon	39.95	15,75962	27.62967	40.74
36	Kr	Krypton	83.8	13,99961	24.35985	36.950
54	Xe	Xenon	131.3	12.1298	21.20979	32.1230



The MHB Team

- Tests of Buncher Test Bench

Funding

- Recently (December 2021): MoU CERN – Spain: funds CERN experiments with active participation of Spanish groups.
- Complementary: PATHFINDER EU call (application) → more oriented to general applications

MoU CERN – Spain: ISRS (2022-2025)

- Detailed beam dynamics of the ISRS ring
- CCT Dipole test bench
 - ✓ CCT Dipole prototype (2 nested CCT coils)
 - ✓ Mini-RING cryostat prototype (LHe)
 - ✓ Magnetic measurement system
- Multi-harmonic buncher + ion test bench
- Preliminary study of diagnostics and focal plane detectors.
- Tests with stable heavy ion beams

Pathfinder (SPRINGS) – Submitted (2023-2026)

- Detailed study of the injection extraction system
- FFAG test bench – MAGDEM demonstrator
 - ✓ CCT Triplet prototype (2 nested CCT coils)
 - ✓ + CCT Dipole → complete ISRS magnet system
 - ✓ Magnetic measurement system
 - ✓ Mini-RING cryostat prototype (Cryocoolers)
- Design study of SC re-buncher system
- Prototypes of diagnostics and focal plane detectors
- MAGDEM experimental program

- Letter to ISCC with project details is in preparation: activity review/endorsement
- Spanish contribution to ISOLDE

SUMMARY & CONCLUSIONS

- MoU CERN – Spain / ISRS (2022-2025) – funded → administration
- EU Call Pathfinder / ISRS (2023-2026) - submitted
- Detailed beam dynamics of the ISRS ring
- CCT Dipole test bench
 - ✓ CCT Dipole prototype (2 nested CCT coils) → Reduced size (warm) prototypes of Cu
 - ✓ Mini-RING cryostat prototype (LHe) → first concepts/technical drawings
 - ✓ Magnetic measurement system → first prototypes / reduced size
 - ✓ Subsystems
- Multi-harmonic buncher + ion test bench
 - ✓ First concepts/technical drawings
 - ✓ Simulations
 - ✓ Subsystems
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THANKS!

PHYSICS OPPORTUNITIES

- ISRS as a stand-alone detector
- In coincidence with complementary detector arrays:
 - gamma- particle array Miniball + T-REX
 - Particle array GLORIA
 - Neutron array SAND
 - Multi-purpose reaction chamber SEC
 - Spectrometer ISS
 - Storage Ring TSR

Benefit from the plans for a future extension of the HIE-ISOLDE experimental hall.

- ***Coulomb dissociation*** at a few MeV/u has rarely been used despite having much high cross sections
 - ✓ Core fragments $\sim 15^\circ$
 - ✓ Coincidence with the neutrons, particles and gammas ejected in the breakup.

- ***Direct transfer reactions in inverse kinematics***
 - ✓ Mainly when light outgoing particle is a neutron
 - ✓ Cone ranges from $\pm 15^\circ$ for light projectiles
 - ✓ About $\pm 1^\circ$ for heavy beams
- Nuclear structure studies around $N \approx 82, 126$
- Reactions relevant for the s, p and rp process nucleosynthesis around $Z \approx 50$ and $Z \approx 82$

- ***Multinucleon transfer reactions***, via deep inelastic, quasi-elastic and quasi-fission reactions
 - ✓ Analyse individual exit channels.
 - ✓ Production of exotic nuclei and states so far unobserved
 - ✓ Coincidence with gammas and neutrons from decay.
 - ✓ Direct or inverse kinematics with light or heavy targets
 - ✓ The spectrometer should be able to rotate to cover the grazing angle
- Neutron-rich nuclei in Terra Incognita (^{78}Ni , r-nuclei $\sim N=126$)
- Shell-quenching and the r-process

Fusion-evaporation reactions in inverse kinematics

- Selection of fusion evaporation residues
- lifetime measurements using standard and triple foil plungers

Low energy transfer, breakup and fusion reactions

- Reaction dynamics studies at low energies ~ 5 MeV/A
- Emphasize collective behaviour associated with nucleon correlations.
- Beam-like fragments in coincidence with neutrons and gammas

ISRS: performance request

- Energy: $4 \leq E/A \leq 10$ MeV
- Large acceptance (> 15 degrees, > 100 msr)
- Energy resolution < 100 keV
- Time resolution ~ 100 ns (coincidences)
- Excellent angular resolution (to allow kinematic reconstruction and Doppler correction) ~ 0.1 degrees.
- Event-by-event PID for :
 - physical separation of reaction products of interest
 - beam and isobaric beam contaminants and others
 - fusion-evaporation reactions with target
- At least VAMOS-like $\Delta Q/Q \sim 1/70$ (FWHM), $\Delta M/M \sim 1/200$ (FWHM) $\Delta Z/Z \sim 1/60$ (FWHM).
- Couple with a MR-TOF.

Ancillary detectors and special equipment

- Targets : solid (also implanted) and cryogenic targets.
- Detectors for particle, gamma, neutron coincident measurement (like T-Rex-Miniball+ 0-deg detection)

ISOLDE

