



ACCELERATION

... what else ?

... how ?

... and why ?

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Outline

- ⇒⇒⇒ *“Particle accelerators 101”* – **short introduction**
- ⇒⇒⇒ *“Recipe for acceleration”* – **how can we accelerate particles ?**
- ⇒⇒⇒ *“Can we go larger ?”* – **future accelerator projects and novel acceleration methods**
- ⇒⇒⇒ *“Beyond the bottle of hydrogen...”* – **what other particles do we accelerate ?**
- ⇒⇒⇒ *“Accelerators outside CERN?”* – **applications of particle accelerators**



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Knowledge to which I am forever grateful !



To remember going in . . .

Electromagnetism: Lorentz force

$$\vec{F} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

Electric fields – gain
in energy

Magnetic fields –
change of trajectory

Special relativity

$$\beta = \frac{v}{c}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} = \frac{E_{\text{total}}}{E_{\text{rest}}}$$

At relativistic regime –
increase of energy does not
correspond to a change in
velocity

Why particle accelerators?

- In high energy physics sub-atomic particle collisions at enormous energies are observed and measured

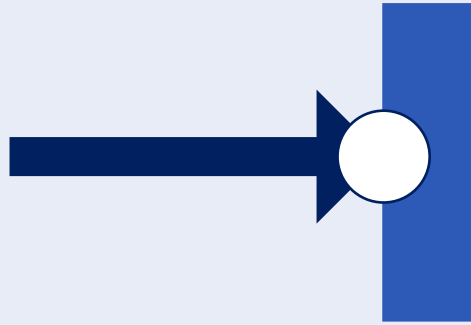
Collision energy

$$E = mc^2$$

Matter
New particles
● **Particle accelerators**

Since 1939 particle accelerators have contributed to **26 Nobel prizes**

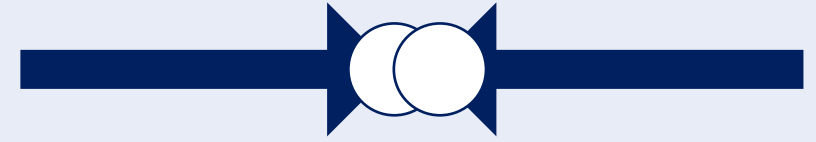
Particle colliders



Fixed target

$$E_{\text{COM}} = \sqrt{2E_1 m_{\text{target}} c^2}$$

- + High rate of events
- Low energy reach



Collider

$$E_{\text{COM}} = E_1 + E_2$$

- + High energy reach
- Low rate of events

In a fixed target experiment: $2\gamma E_1$ compared to a collider!

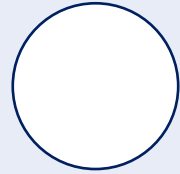
But is it easy to collide 2 beams of sub-atomic particles?

We will see later !



Lepton vs hadron machines

What do we collide ?



Leptons

electrons and positrons

- Elementary particles – “what we accelerate - collides”
- Precisely defined energy at collision

Used for precision physics



Hadrons

protons

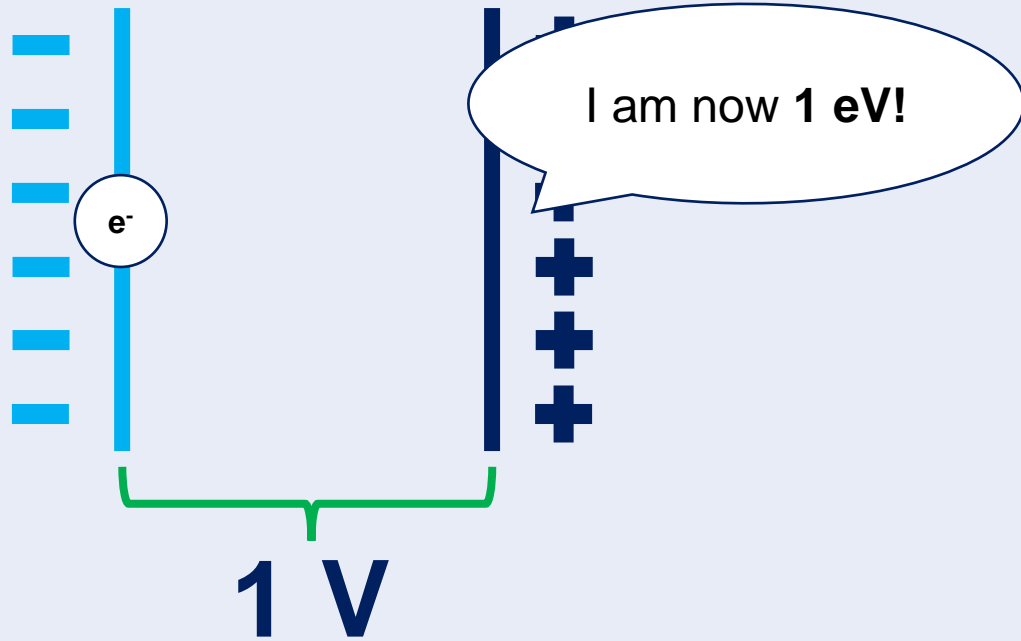
- Composite particles – constituent quarks collide
- Uncertainties for collision energy, not all of the energy used

Used for “new physics”

Record collision energy: **13.6 TeV**
How large is it?



Electronvolt – how much is it ?



How much is it?

One proton of 1 eV = $1.6 * 10^{-19}$ Joules

One proton of 6.8 TeV = $1.1 * 10^{-6}$ Joules

There are $1.15 * 10^{11}$ protons in a bunch of LHC

One LHC bunch = $1.25 * 10^5$ Joules

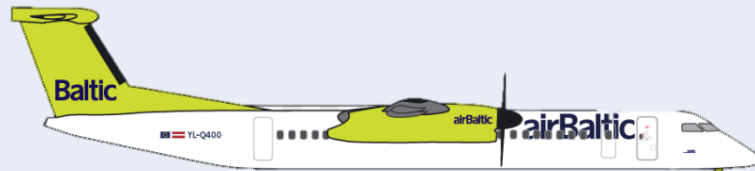
It is all about energy density:

Apple and plane: $10^5 - 10^6$ J/m³

LHC beam at interaction point: 10^{12} J/m³



90 cal = 376.56 J



$1 * 10^{10}$ J



Have we used a particle accelerator?



< 1 keV



120 keV

Electrostatic acceleration

Generally, we consider a particle accelerator as
“particle accelerator” around **1 MeV**

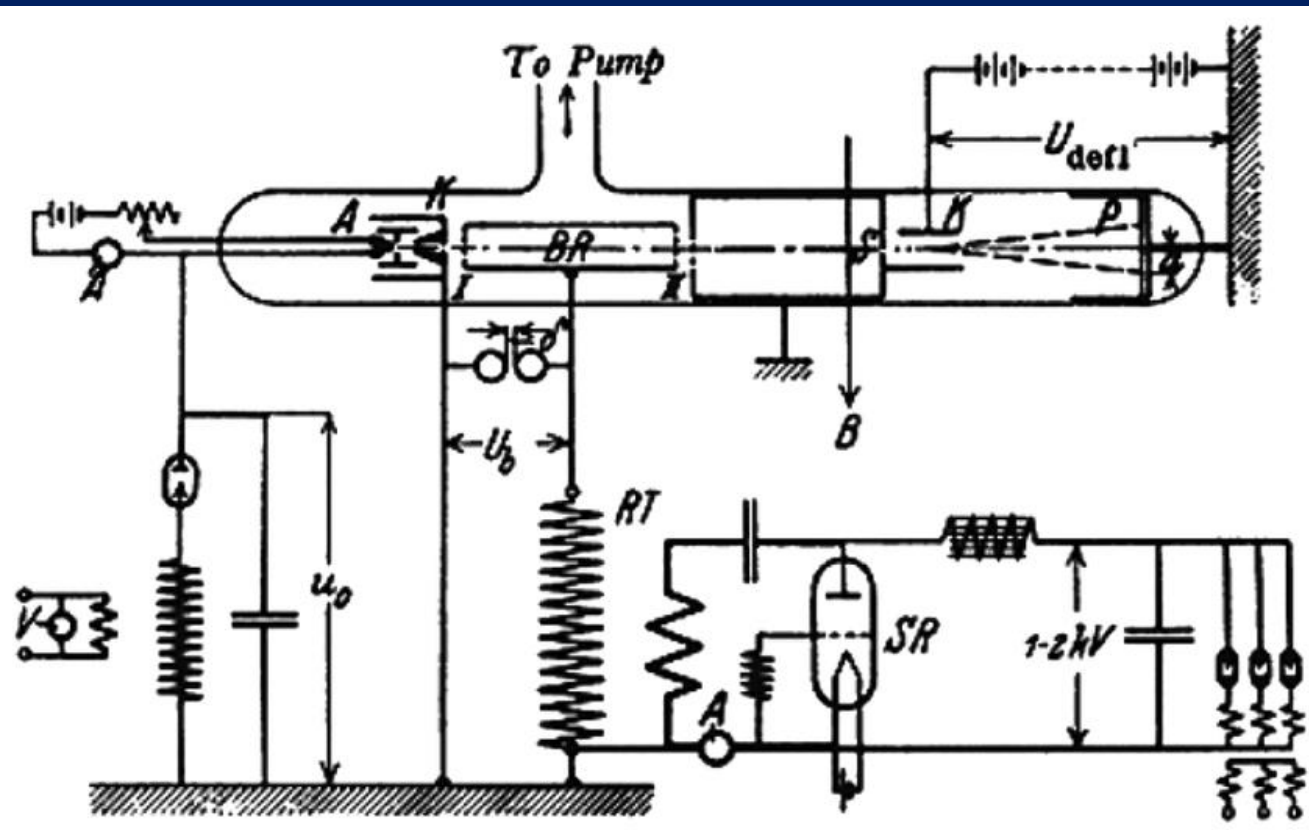
So . . . we just apply 6.8 TV electric field? Well.. Not really!



How to accelerate a particle ?

In 1928 Rolf Wideröe's PhD thesis introduced the concept still used for modern particle accelerators

Radio-Frequency acceleration



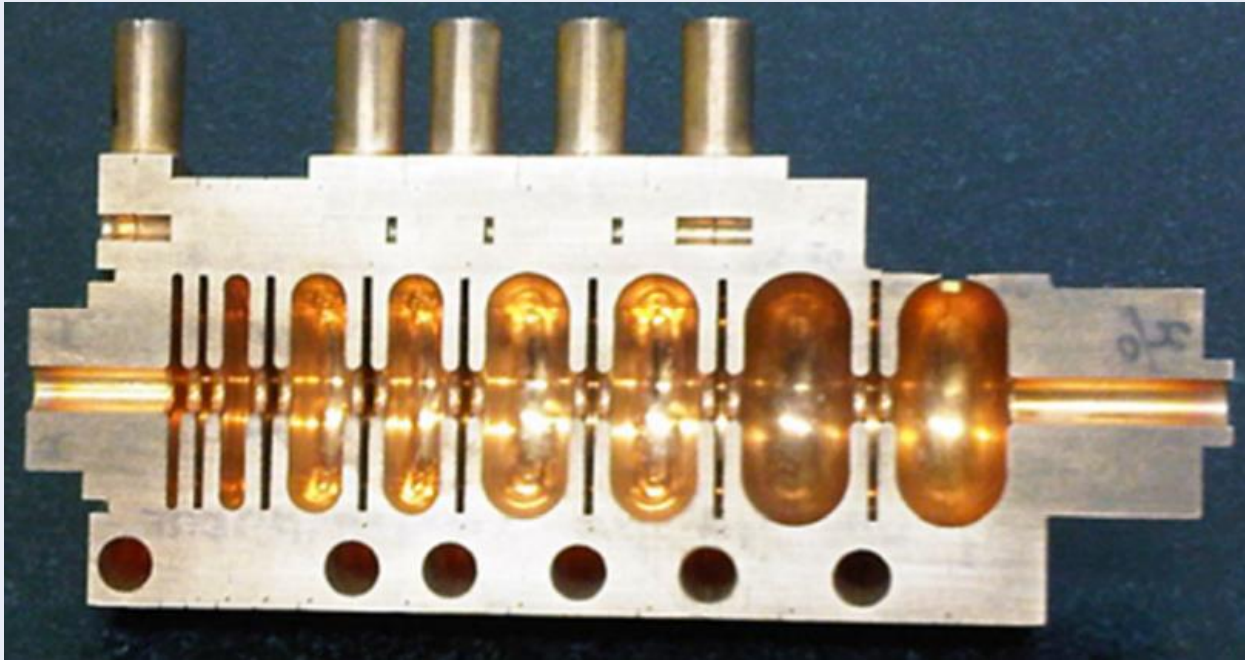
Time varying electric

The «trick» #1
particle beam must be
bunched not continuous

The «trick» #2
synchronize the movement
of the particle with the
radiofrequency wave



Linear accelerators



Electrons – relativistic at low energies – same length

Protons, ions – non-relativistic – cavity length must account for ions: 200 – 750 MHz

Radiofrequency cavities + radiofrequency generator = induced time-varying EM field

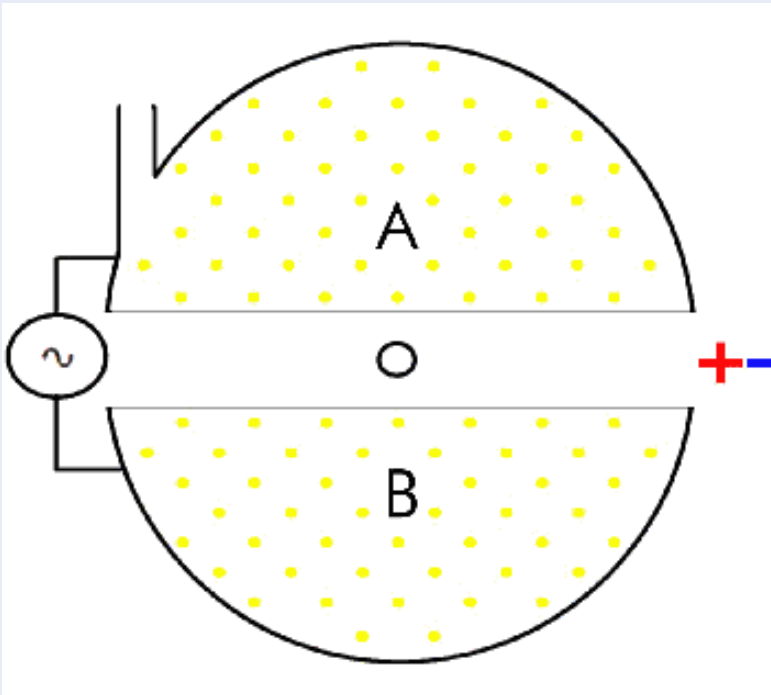
What are the limits?

Accelerating gradient – electrical breakdown

Increase energy – increase length of the structure



Going circular - cyclotron



What are the limits?

Maximum energy is limited by the diameter of machine

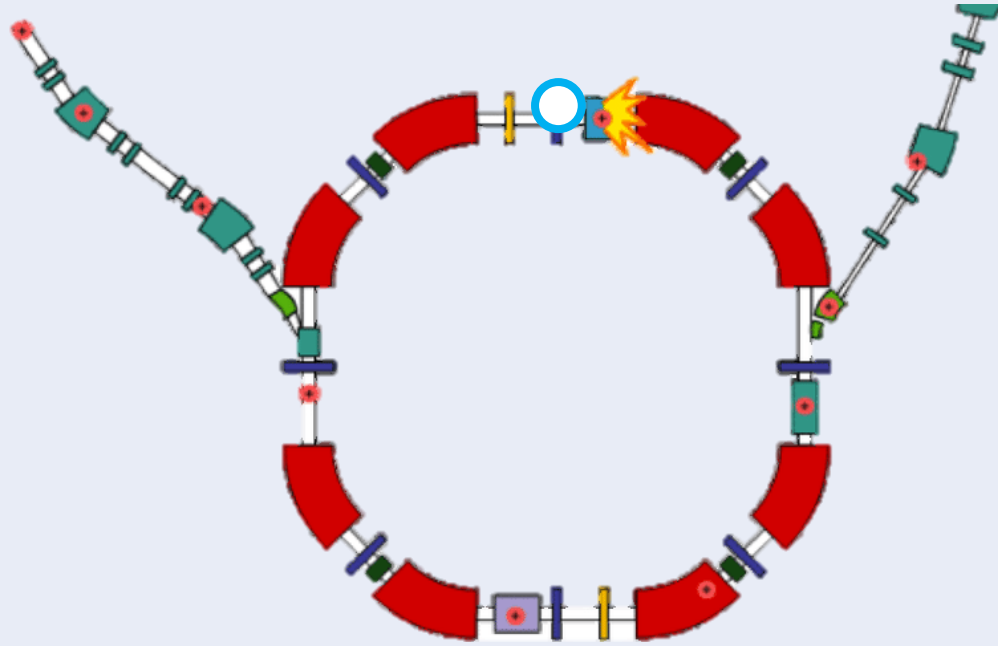
Acceleration with the basic concept works only in non-relativistic regime

How to regain the synchronicity?

Varying magnetic field strength with radius – **isochronous cyclotron**

Gradually lower the RF frequency - **synchrocyclotron**

Everything in sync - synchrotron

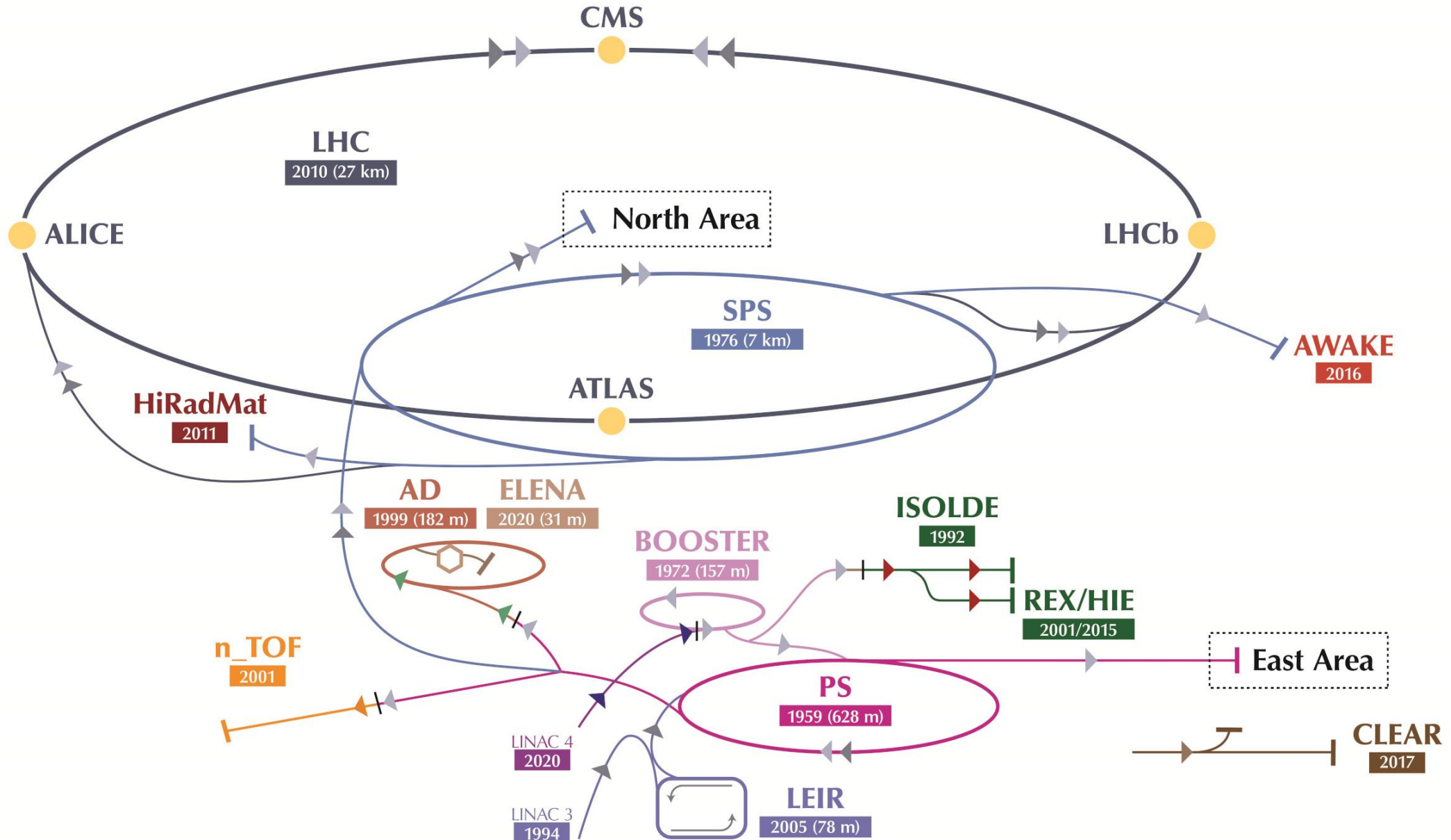


What are the limits?

Limits coming from technological capabilities – *discussed later*

Synchronization rule for acceleration:
Keep a constant trajectory :
Ramping magnetic field strength and adapting RF frequency

The accelerator complex of CERN



Lorentz force

$$\mathbf{F} = q\mathbf{v}\mathbf{B}$$



Centrifugal force

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{mv^2}{R}$$

Beam rigidity

$$p \left[\frac{\text{GeV}}{c} \right] = 0.3 * B * \rho$$

One of the main parameters describing the technical requirements for a synchrotron



How big should my synchrotron be?

In the case of LHC . . .

$$B\rho = 6800 / 0.3 = 22667 \text{ T}\cdot\text{m}$$

If we would want a ... 10 km ring?

6.5 km – for dipole magnets

$$\rho = 1035 \text{ m}$$

We would need 21.9 Tesla dipole magnets – not really feasible

Optimum parameters

- Circumference of 27 km
- Bending radius of 2803 m
- Dipole magnets of 8.3 T

Design of close to 7 TeV



LHC – what do we need?

RF system

8 cavities @ 400 MHz

Magnets

1232 dipole SC magnets

Quadrupoles – focusing

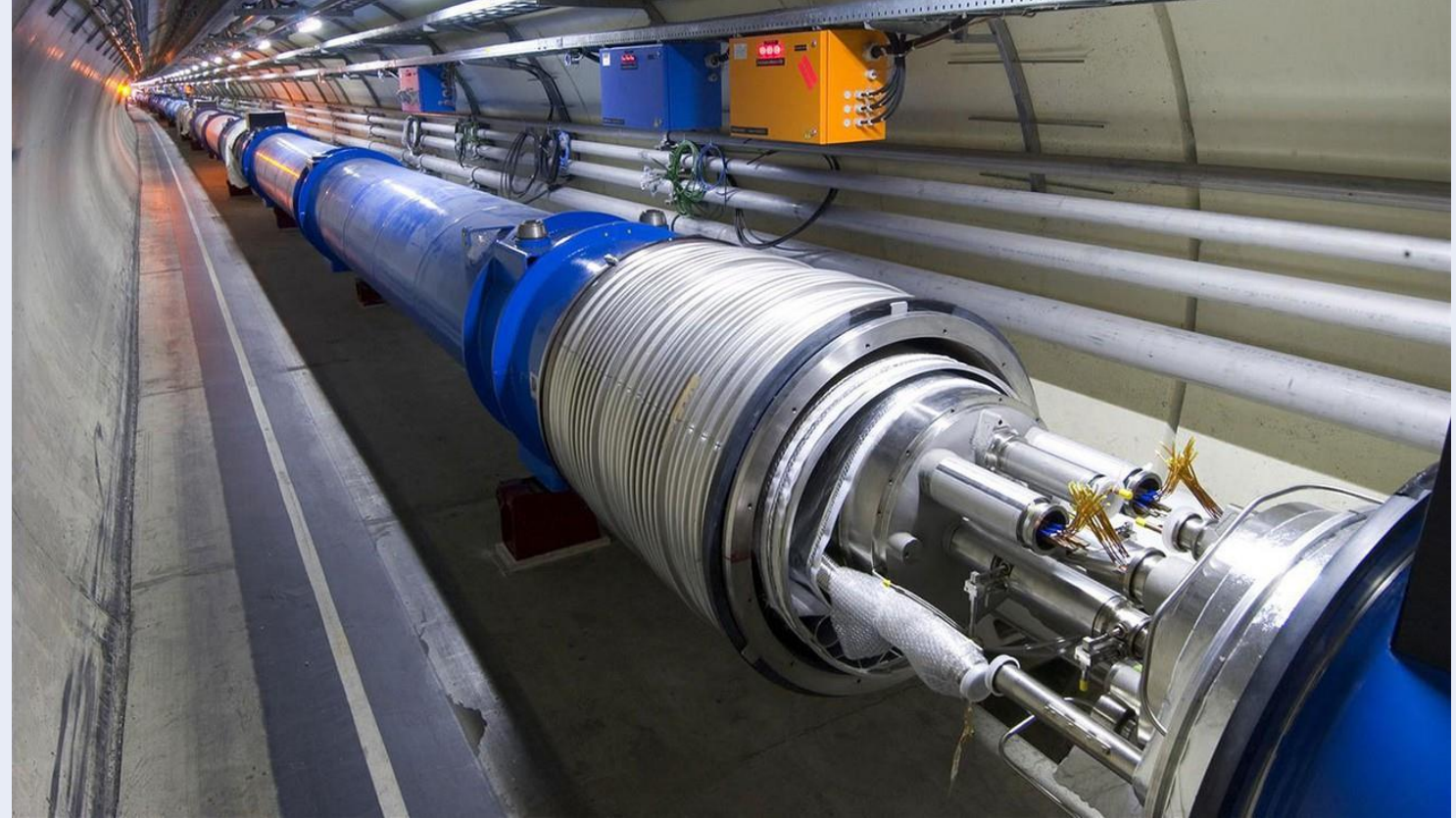
Sextupoles – chromaticity

Up to dodecapoles . . .

Corrector magnets

Support systems

Instrumentation (sensors),
vacuum, cryogenics,
mechanical support etc.



True engineering marvel



Does the moon affect LHC?

With the enormous size of LHC . . .

Even when 100 m underground, the central orbit trajectory is affected:

- **by the gravitational pull of the Moon** – the miniscule changes in gravity around the circumference
- seasonal changes- rain, snow and temperature of the earth
- ground tides

All these impacts are registered and corrected



Before we accelerate . . .

What are the prerequisites for acceleration?

- particles must be **electrically charged**
- **sufficient vacuum** to limit the interaction with the environment
- particles must be **stable or decay slowly enough**

For LHC
everything
starts here . . .



Each day **just 2 nanograms** are
accelerated

**1 gram of hydrogen would take
a million years to accelerate**



... and then collisions! Right ???

When fully injected ...

- $1.15 \cdot 10^{11}$ protons per a bunch
- 2808 bunches rotating
- 11245 revolutions per second

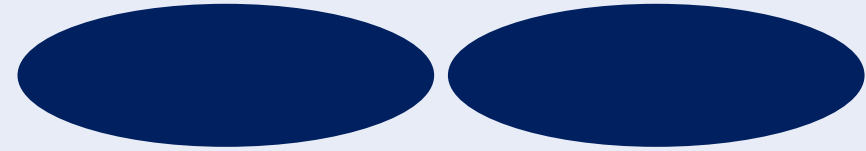
Per single bunch crossing – just 20 collisions

Though per second – close to 1 billion events

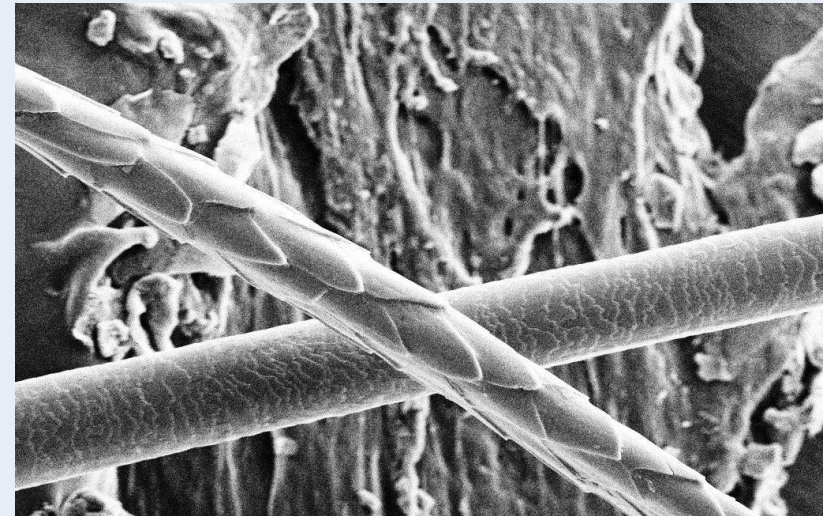
Protons stored for 12 hours travel about 10^{10} to 10^{11} kilometers

8 times back and forth from Sun to Pluto

At the point of interaction ...



beams are squeezed to 20 μm



Size of a hair of a cat !

What are the limits for accelerators?

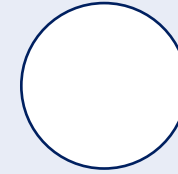


Hadron accelerators

Beam rigidity

Either larger circumference or greatly increased magnetic field strength

ADVANCES IN SUPERCONDUCTING MAGNET TECHNOLOGY



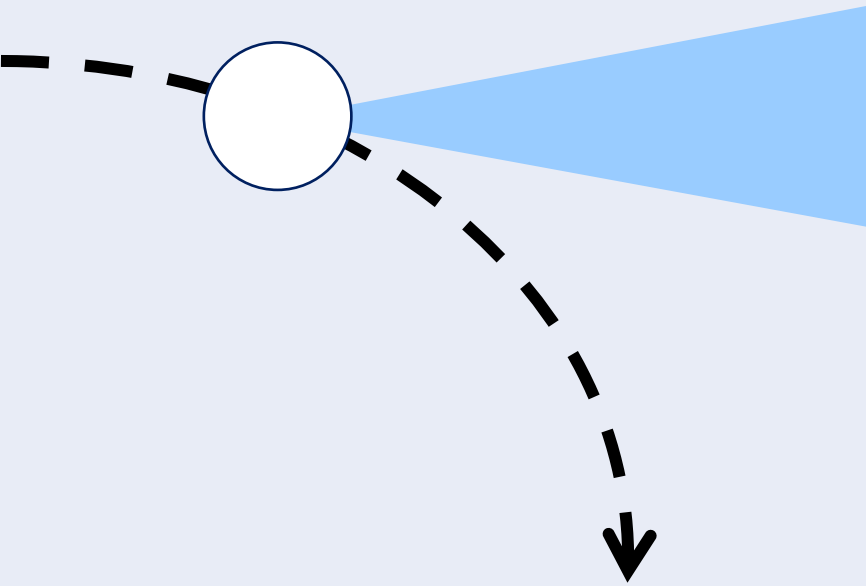
Lepton accelerators

RF power

In circular machines – electrons emit **synchrotron radiation** – energy loss

ADVANCES IN RF TECHNOLOGY OR GOING LINEAR

Synchrotron radiation – e⁻ limit

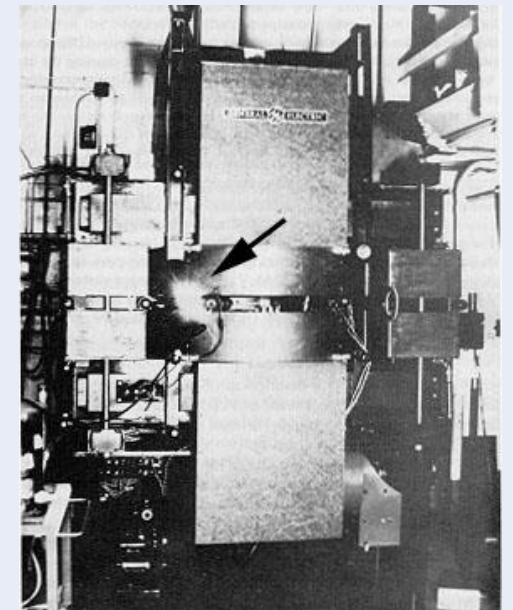


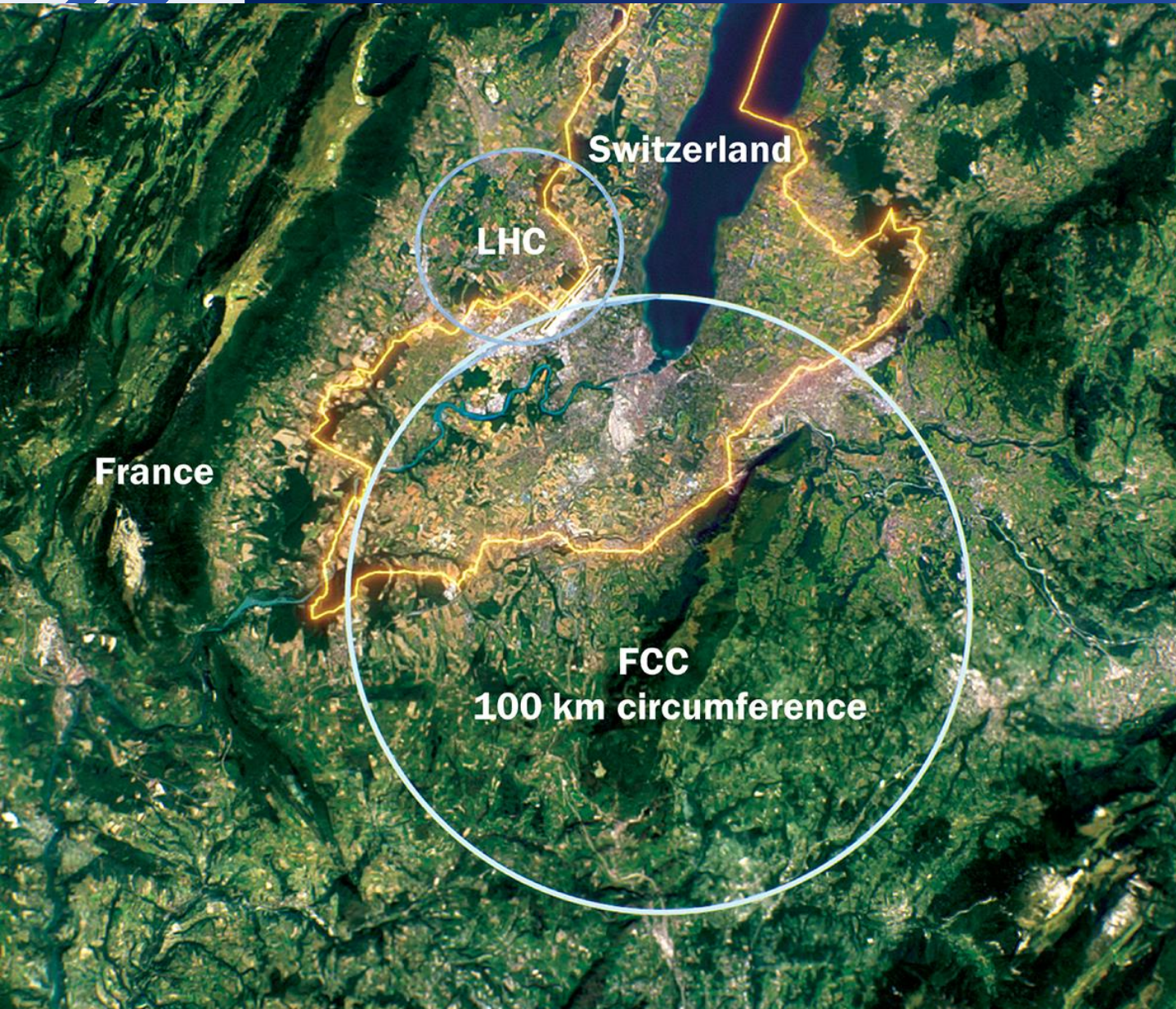
When the trajectory of a charged particle is bent – electromagnetic radiation is emitted, so-called, **synchrotron radiation**

For lepton rings – energy loss that must be compensated

How to mitigate: larger circumference or heavier particles

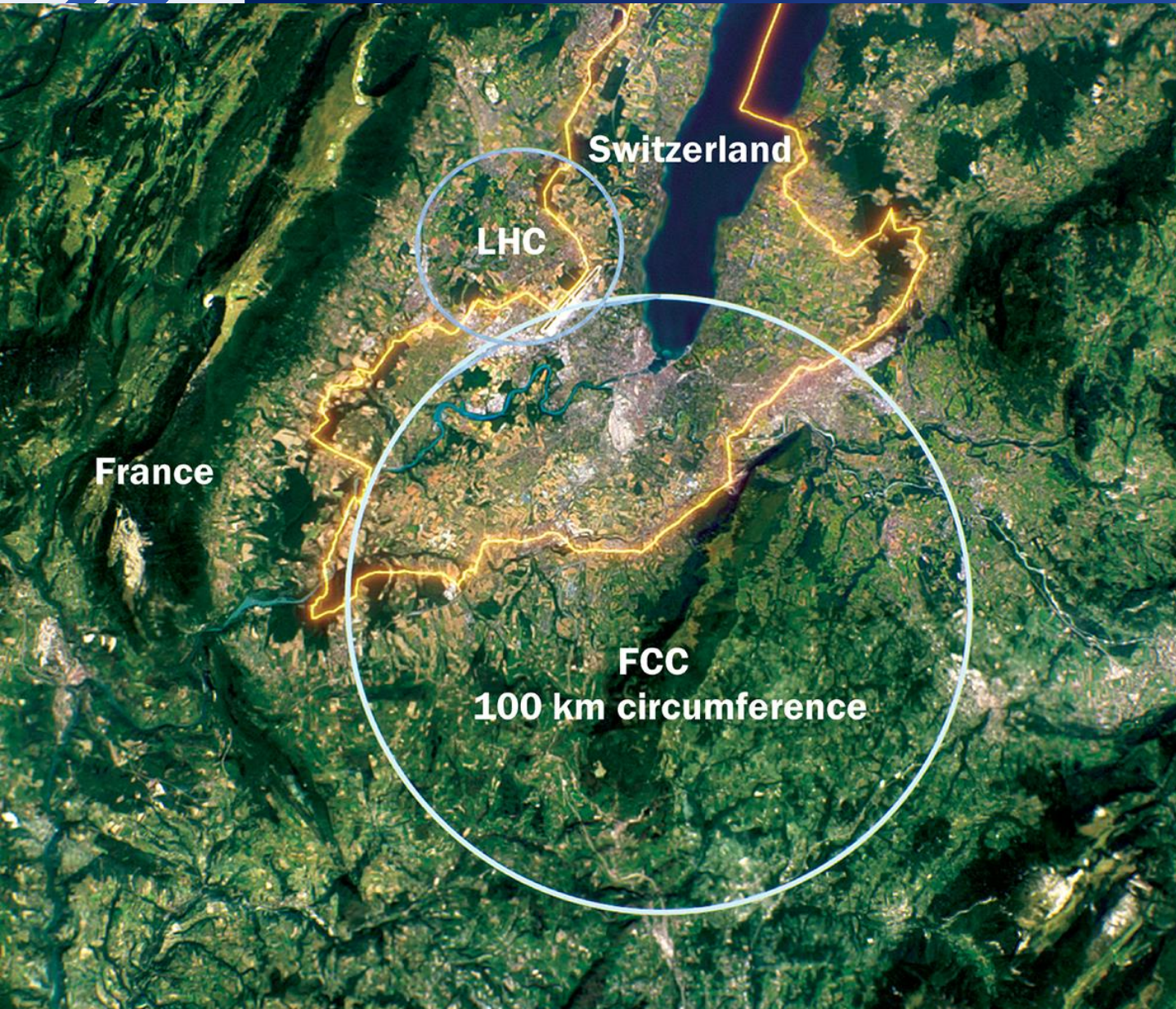
Is it.. all bad or it could be useful ?





Future Circular Collider

- Circumference of **close to 100 km**
- First iteration – **electron and positron collisions**
- **Precision measurements** of Z and W bosons, Higgs boson and top quark



Future Circular Collider

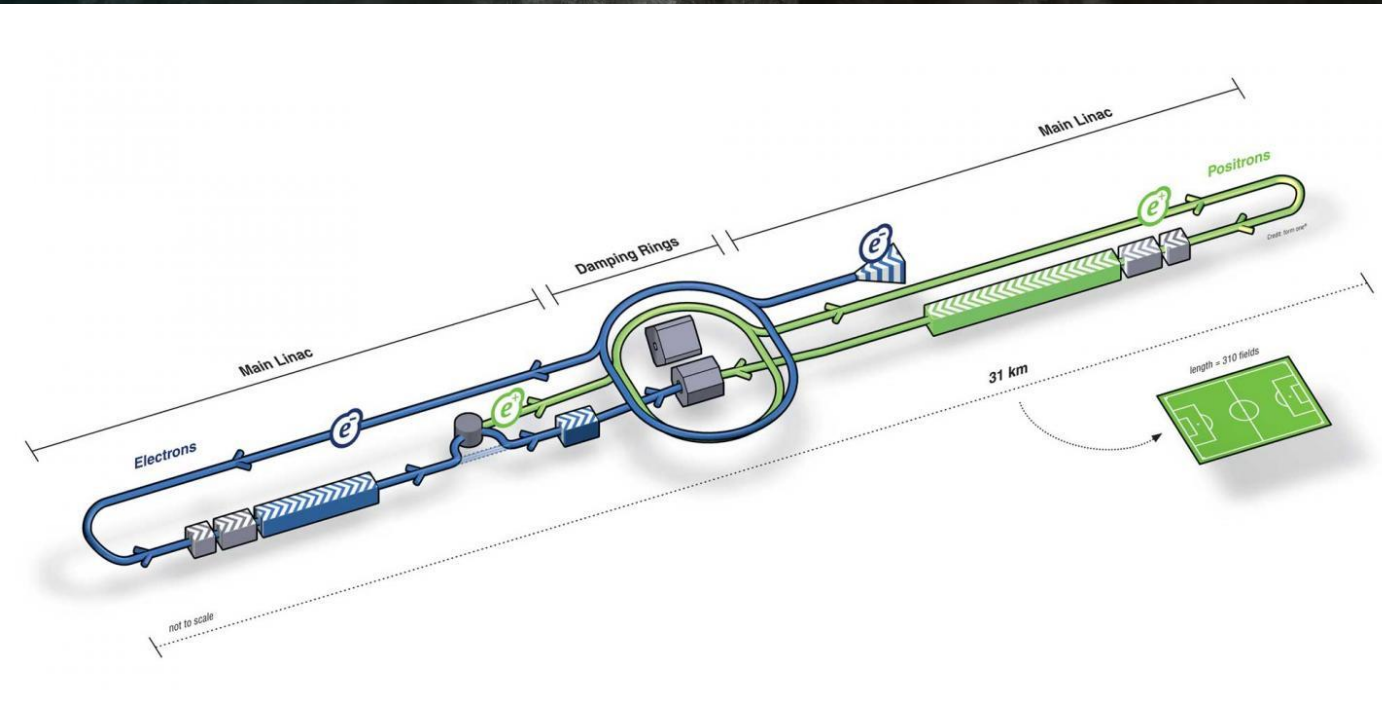
- For proton-proton collisions **16 Tesla superconducting magnets** must be developed
- A **100 TeV** centre-of-mass could be reached



Future accelerator projects: CLIC, ILC



**Up to 3 TeV
with 50 km
length**

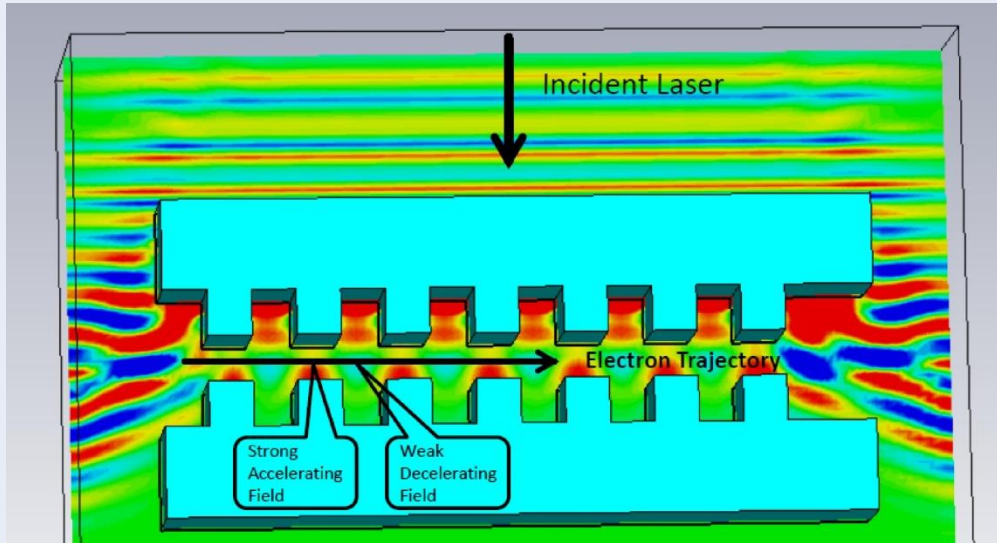


**Up to 250 GeV with 20 km
length**

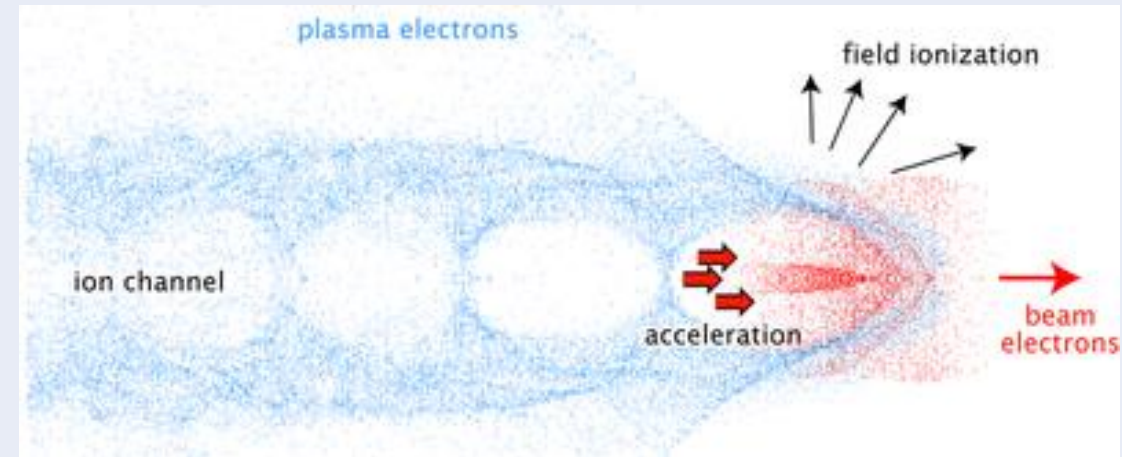


Is there more than RF?

Dielectric acceleration



Laser plasma acceleration

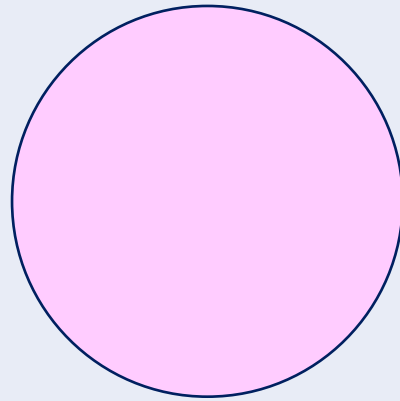


Although a lot of challenges to overcome
Accelerating gradients of 1 GeV / m could be achieved



Future accelerators: Muon Collider

e^- x 200



Muon

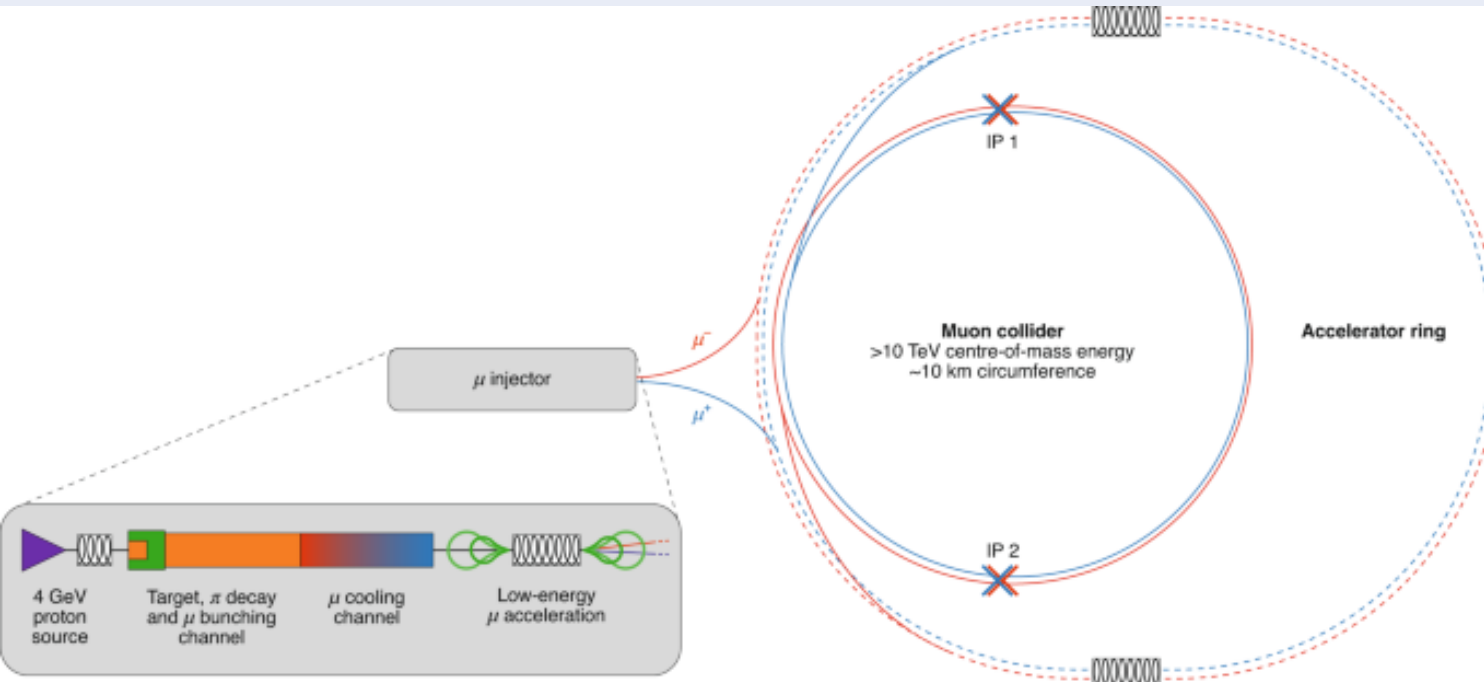
Synchrotron radiation losses reduced – possibility for **circular lepton collider**

BUT

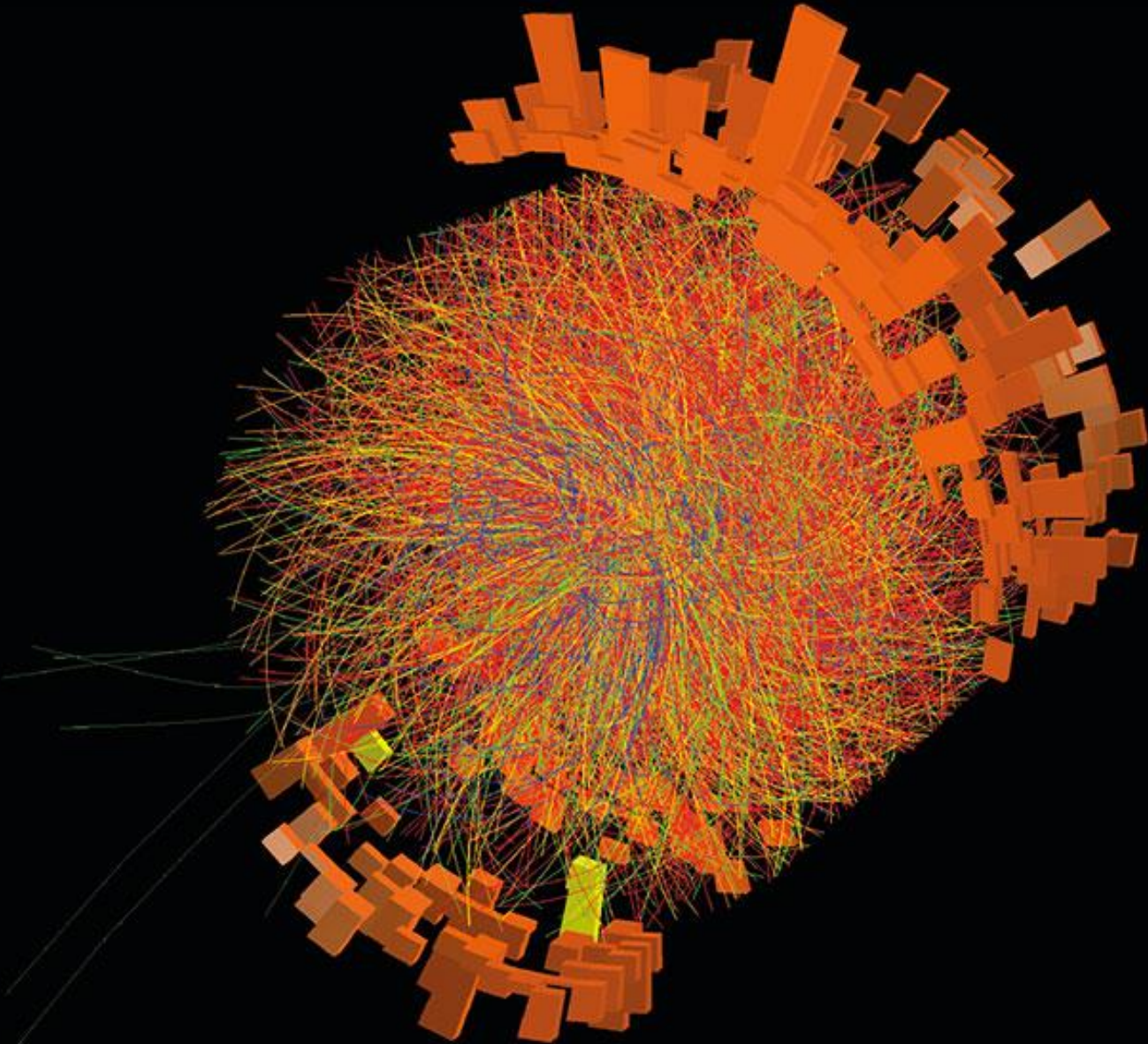
muon lifetime is 2.2 μ s

Due to time dilation at higher energy – 500 μ s

Challenging, but actively researched



What other particles we accelerate?

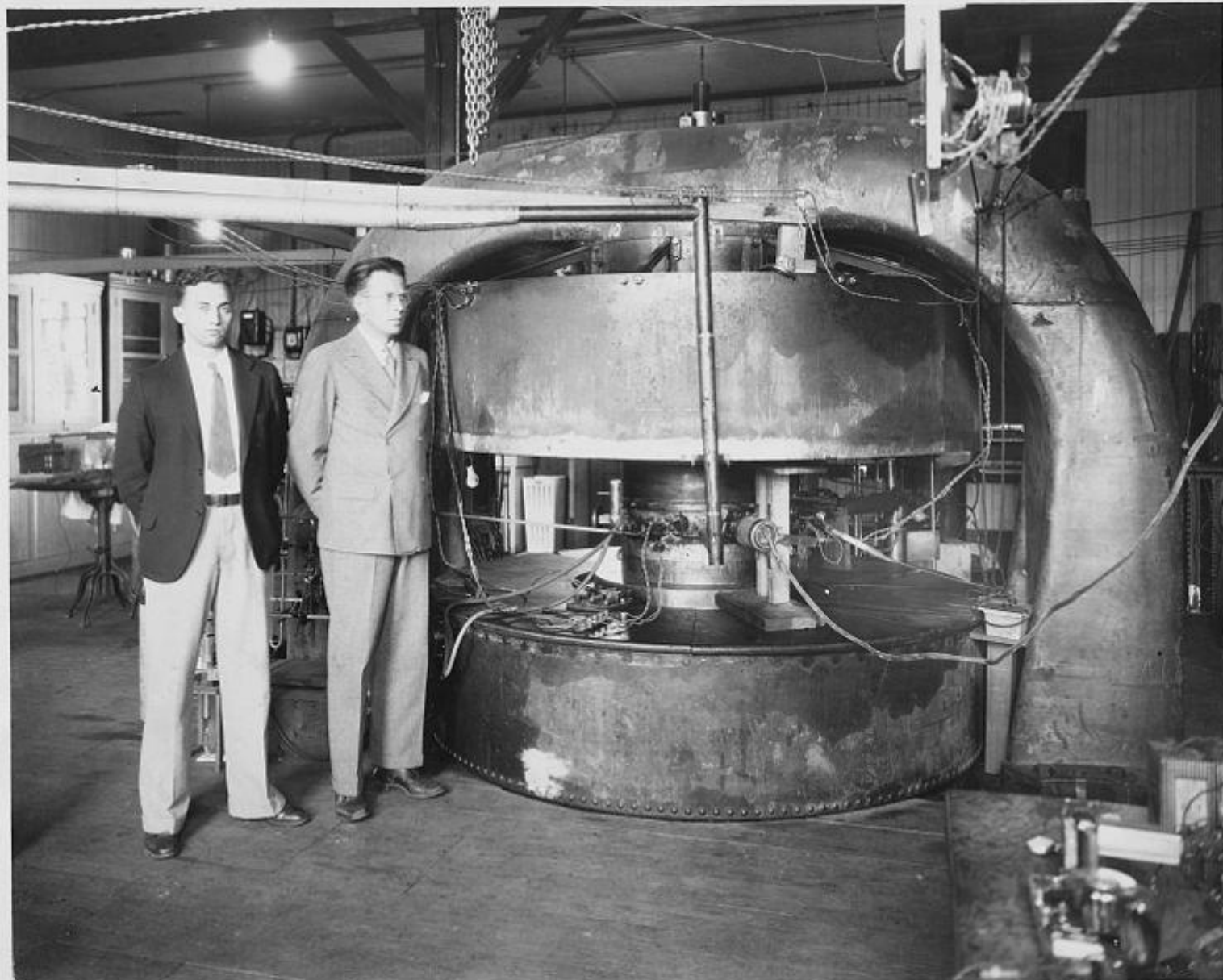


Heavy-ion programme at CERN:

- Lead ions (Pb-Pb, Pb-p)
- Xenon ions (Xe-Xe)
- Argon ions (Ar-p)
- Oxygen ions (O-p)



What other particles we accelerate?



Lawrence Berkley National Laboratory

- Deuterons
- Helium ions
- Carbon ions
- Oxygen ions
- Neon ions
- Silicon ions
- Argon ions

Cyclotron could accelerate up to Uranium

For collisions or something else?





Accelerator - scientific instrument?

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to **26 Nobel prizes**

Particle physics laboratories around the world:

- CERN
- DESY
- SLAC
- Brookhaven
- Fermilab
- KEK
- IHEP
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= < 1 %



How many accelerators are there ?

There are around 35 000 particle accelerators around the world



Where are the other accelerators used ?

Are there accelerators in Baltics ?

Particle accelerators in the Baltics?



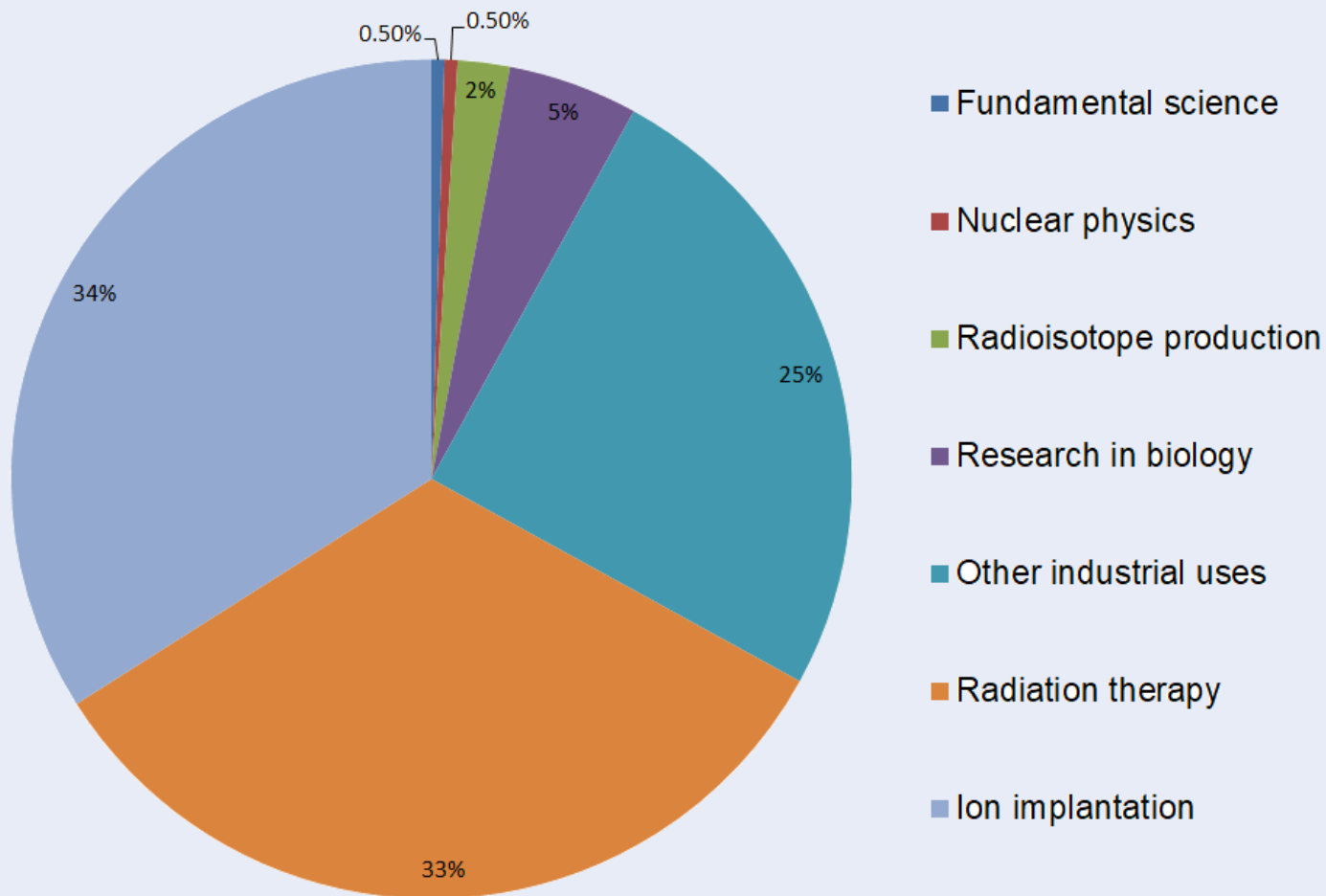
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Are there accelerators in Baltics ?

We have
28 electron linear accelerators
and **1 cyclotron**



Where are accelerators used?



**Majority is used in
medicine and
industry**



The many uses of accelerators

“A beam of the **right particles** with the **right energy** at the **right intensity**

can shrink a tumour, produce cleaner energy, spot suspicious cargo, make a better radial tire, clean up dirty drinking water, map a protein, study a nuclear explosion, design a new drug, make a heat-resistant automotive cable, diagnose a disease, reduce nuclear waste, detect an art forgery, implant ions in a semiconductor, prospect for oil, date an archaeological find, package a Thanksgiving turkey or...

...discover the secrets of the universe.”

-Accelerators for Americas Future Report, pp. 4, DoE, USA, 2011

(Applications of Accelerators by Dr. Suzie Sheehy, CERN Accelerator School 2021)



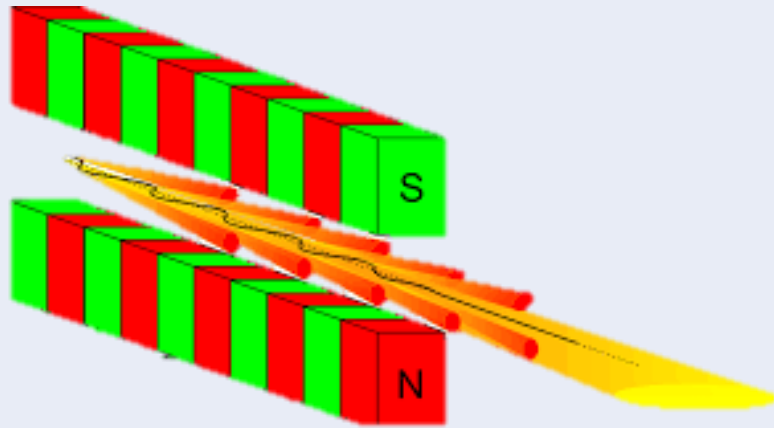


Synchrotron light sources

Remember synchrotron light ?

One man's trash is another man's treasure

Dedicated synchrotron light sources are built to provide high brilliance (intensity) X-ray beams, introducing new technologies as wigglers, undulators and free-electron lasers



Material science, solid state physics, protein crystallography, structural biology, archaeology . . .

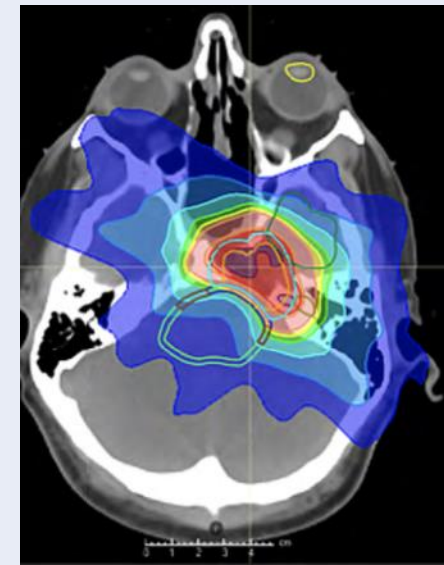
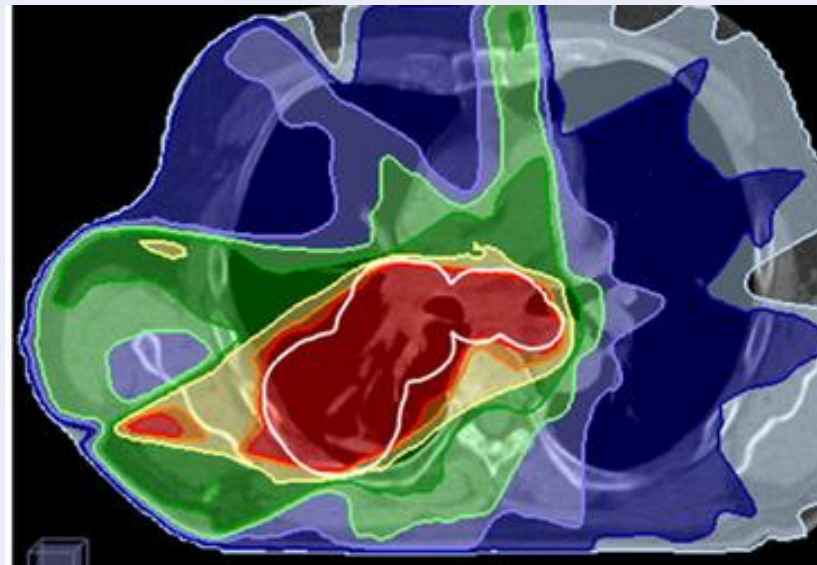


Medical applications: Radiotherapy



A compact **6 to 20 MeV electron accelerator**
Production of **bremsstrahlung photons** for
deep-seated tumor treatment

Ionizing radiation damages cellular DNA of
cancer, limiting the spread and destroying it



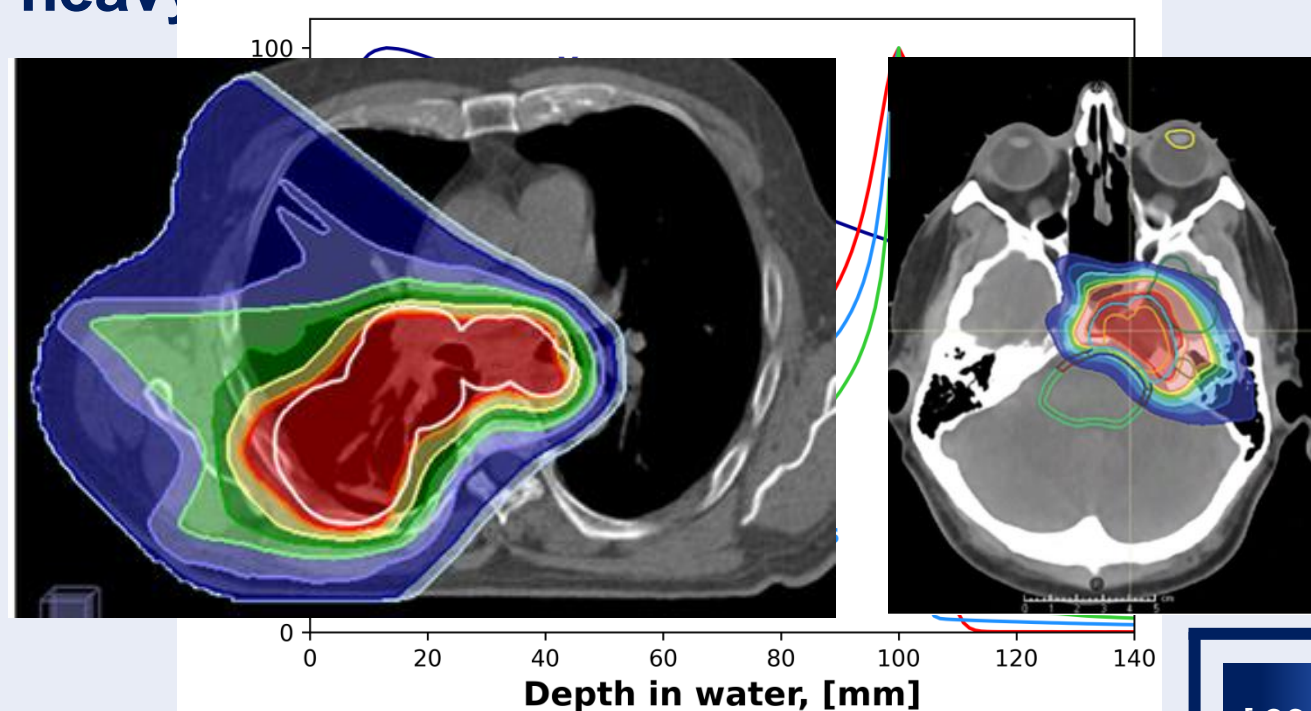


Medical applications: Particle therapy

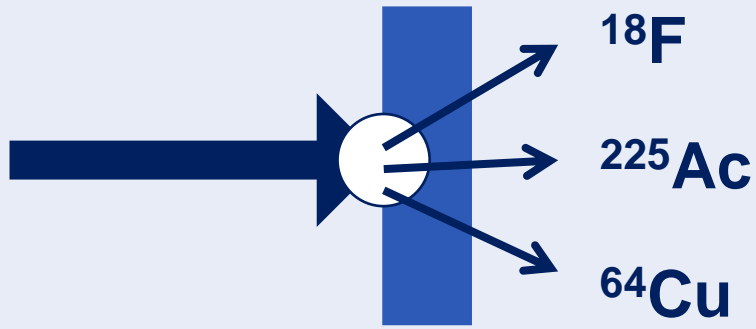
Let's downscale LHC about **415 times** and limit proton energy to **220 MeV**

Proton and ion therapy is a promising cancer treatment modality due to favourable dose deposition characteristics – **Bragg peak**

Protons and ions ionize matter more densely – **increased biological effect, possible to treat otherwise resistant tumors with heavy ions**



Medical applications: Radioisotopes



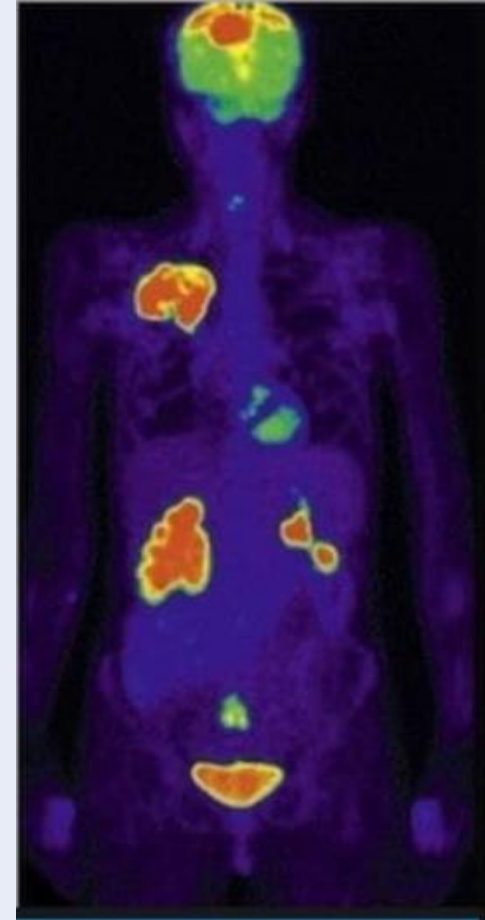
Relatively low energy proton (deuteron, alpha) beams impinging on a target can produce radioactive isotopes in nuclear reactions. Isotopes can be extracted and by joining with a specific biological molecules – **radiopharmaceuticals for nuclear medicine**

Diagnostics

Positron emission tomography (PET) and single photon emission computed tomography (SPECT) – **cancer diagnostics**

Therapy

Biologically **targeted cancer therapy** – emission of electrons (beta⁻), alpha particles or Auger electrons locally





Take - away

- The very basics of particle acceleration – Lorentz force from highschool
- Particle accelerators encompass a broad field of disciplines both in physics and engineering
- Particle accelerator scientific developments are moving forward with a lot of bright and prospective future projects

A magnificent instrument to do marvelous things





**«Physics is beautiful and
useful»**

/Ugo Amaldi,

founder of Hadron Therapy project and TERA organization



**Thank you so much for
your attention!**