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# Normal-Conducting Accelerator Magnets

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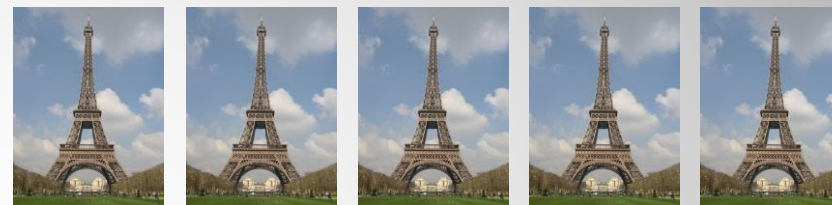
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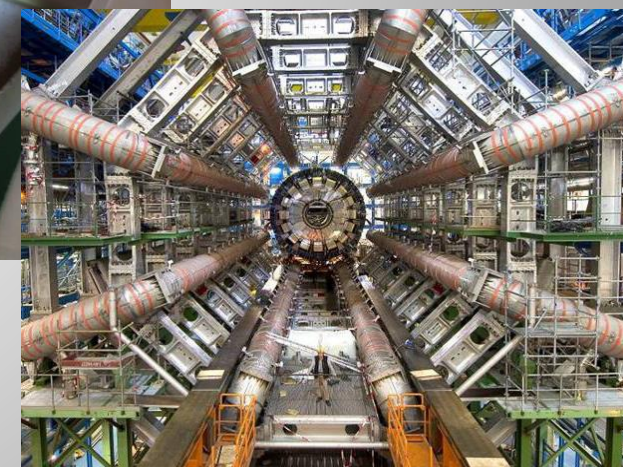
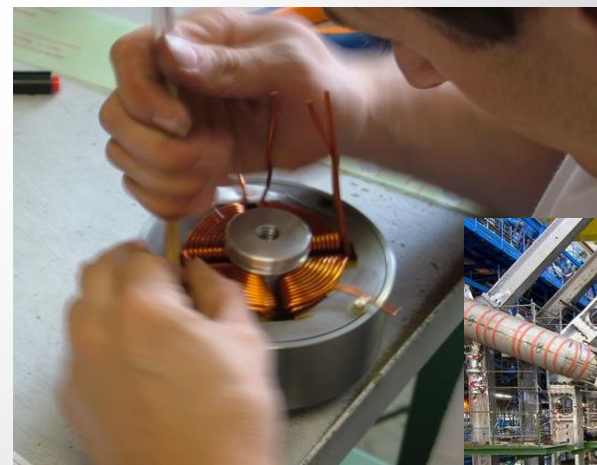
More than **4800** 'room temperature' magnets (50 000 tonnes) are installed in the CERN accelerator complex



The main goal is to provide an **overview** on 'room temperature' magnets i.e., normal-conducting, iron-dominated electro-magnets

## Outline

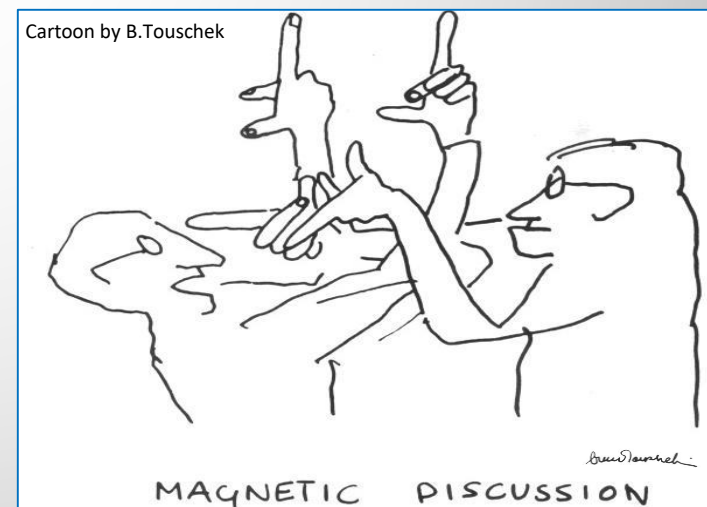
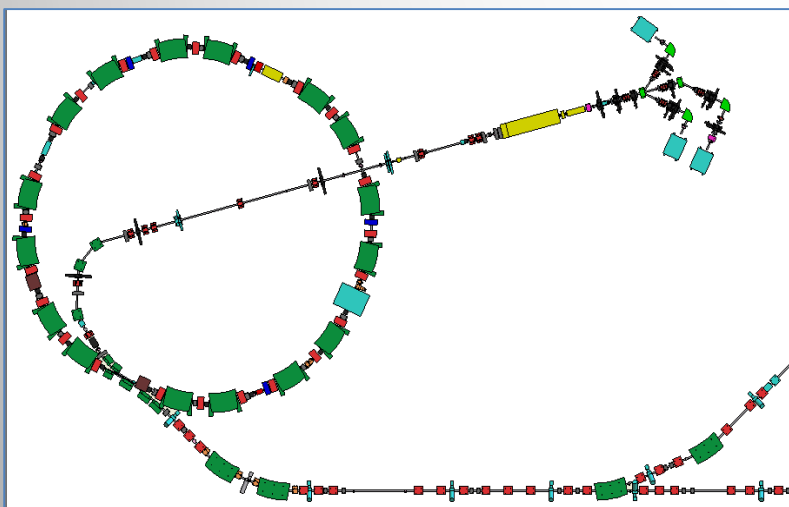
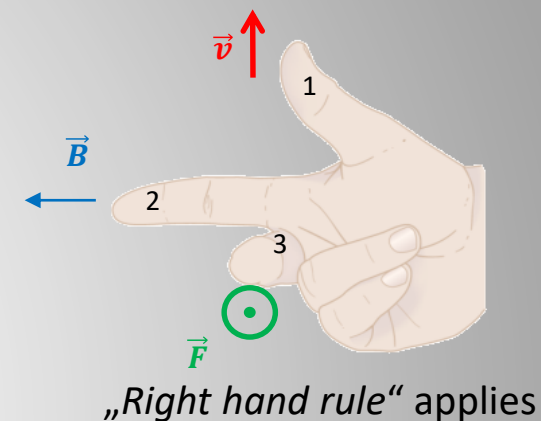
- Producing magnetic fields
- Magnet technologies
- Magnet types in accelerators
- Design & construction
- Milestones from the past
- New concepts for future accelerators





# Why do we need magnets?

- Interaction with the beam
  - guide the beam to keep it on the orbit
  - focus and shape the beam
- Lorentz's force:  $\vec{F} = q(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$ 
  - for relativistic particles this effect is equivalent if  $\vec{E} = c\vec{B}$
  - if  $B = 1 \text{ T}$  then  $E = 3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ V/m(!)}$



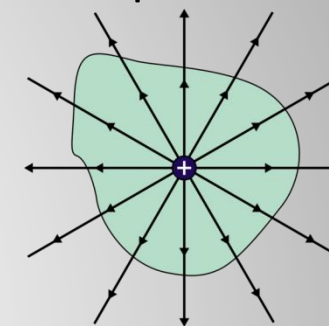




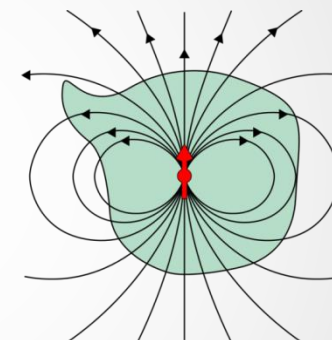
# Maxwell's equations

In 1873, [Maxwell](#) published "Treatise on Electricity and Magnetism" in which he summarized the discoveries of Coulomb, Ørsted, Ampere, Faraday, et. al. in four mathematical equations:

Gauss' law for electricity:  $\nabla \cdot \vec{D} = \rho$   $\vec{D} = \epsilon \vec{E}$

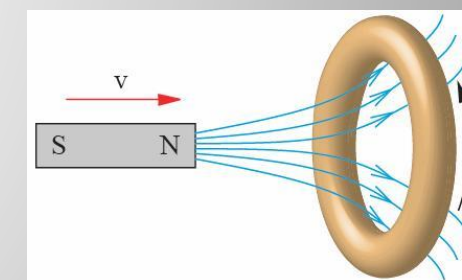


Gauss' law of flux conservation:  $\nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$

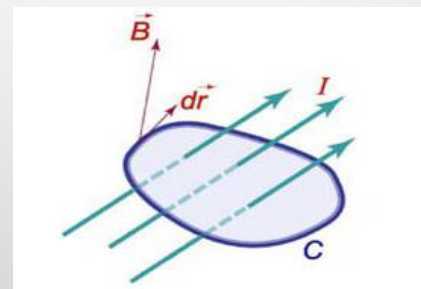


Faraday's law of induction:  $\nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$

$$\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H}$$



Ampere's law:  $\nabla \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}$





# Magnet vocabulary

IEEE defines the following terms and units:

- **Magnetic field:**

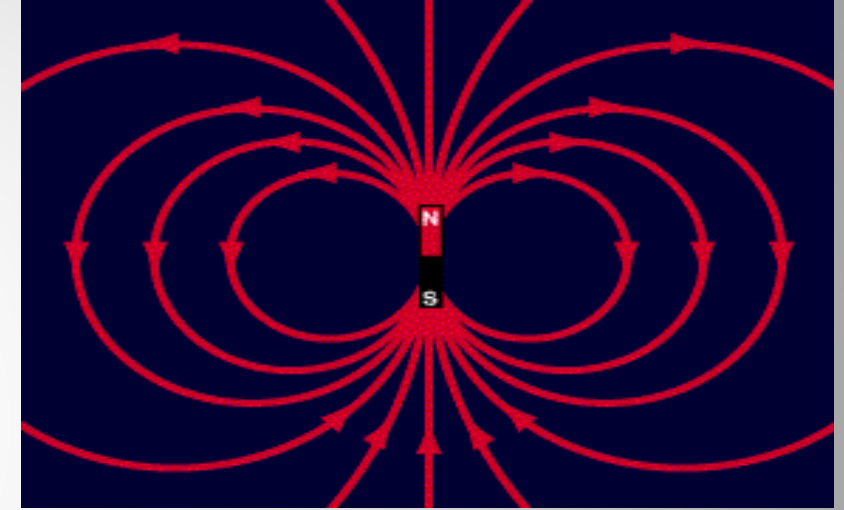
- $H$ (vector) [A/m]
- magnetizing force produced by electric currents

- **Magnetic flux density or magnetic induction:**

- $B$ (vector) [T or kg/(A·s<sup>2</sup>)]
- density of magnetic flux driven through a medium by the magnetic field
- Note: flux or induction is frequently referred to as "Magnetic Field"
- $H$ ,  $B$  and  $\mu$  relates by the constitutive law for materials:  $B = \mu H$

- **Permeability:**

- $\mu = \mu_0 \mu_r$
- permeability of free space  $\mu_0 = 4 \cdot \pi \cdot 10^{-7}$  [(V·s)/(A·m) or (kg·m)/(A·s<sup>2</sup>)]
- relative permeability  $\mu_r$  (dimensionless):  $\mu_{\text{air}} = 1$ ;  $\mu_{\text{iron}} > 1000$  (not saturated)





# Producing the magnetic field

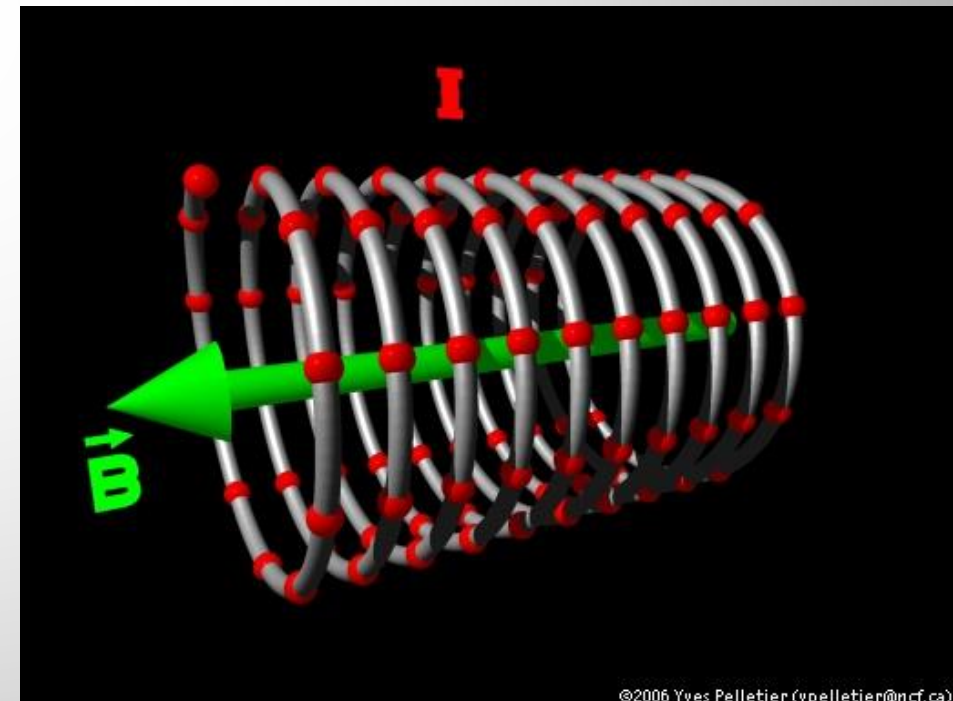
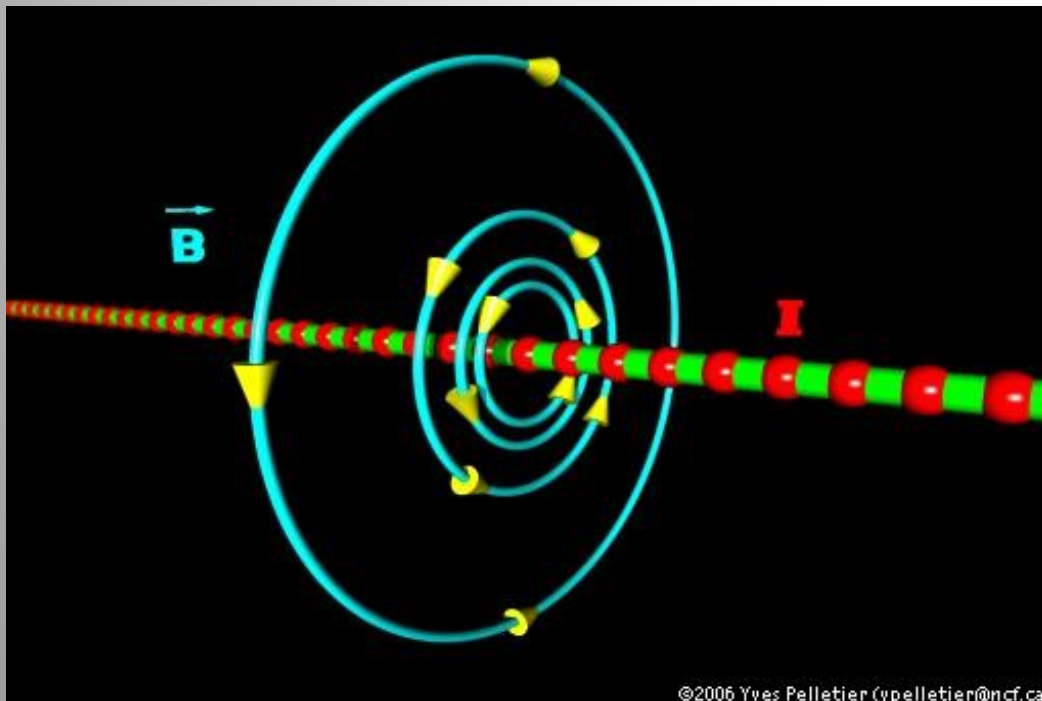
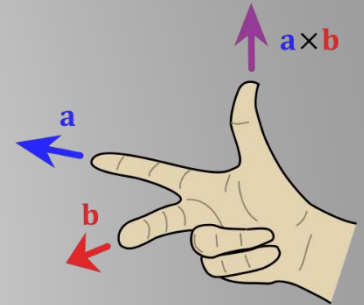
Maxwell & Ampere:

$$\nabla \times \vec{H} = \vec{J} + \cancel{\frac{\partial \vec{D}}{\partial t}}$$

$$\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H}$$

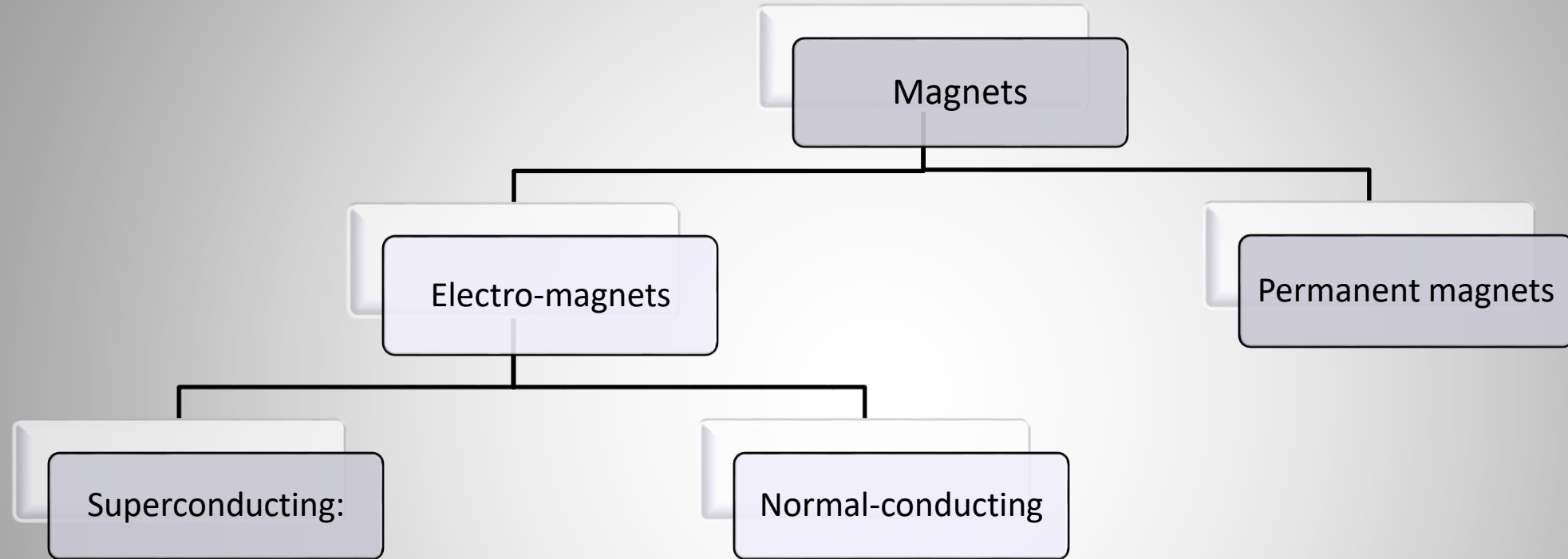
$$\nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J}$$

„An electrical current is surrounded by a magnetic field“





# Magnet technologies



- zero electrical resistance
- no ohmic losses
- high current densities
- requires cryogenic cooling

- limited by the ohmic losses
- only moderate current densities
- dissipated power to be removed
- requires air or water cooling



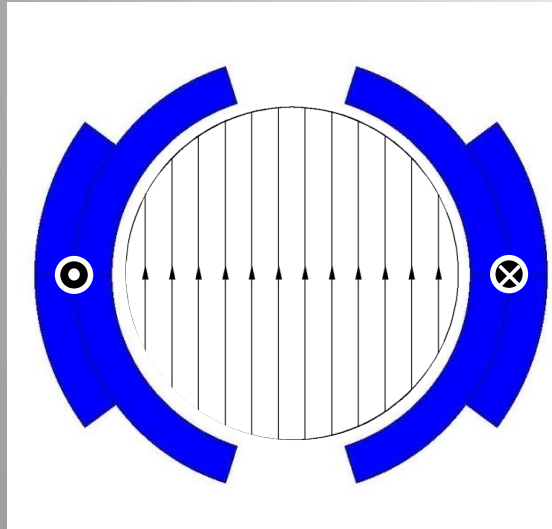


# Coil dominated – Iron dominated

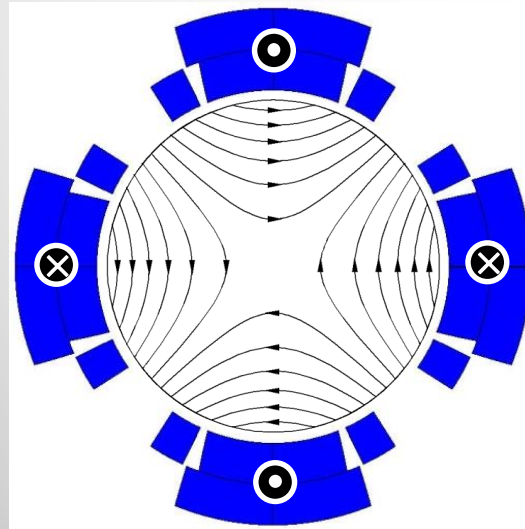
In coil-dominated magnets, the magnetic field in the aperture is shaped by the position of the conductors respectively the **current distribution** around the aperture

In iron-dominated magnets, the magnetic field is shaped by the geometry of the poles, which are **surfaces of constant scalar potential**

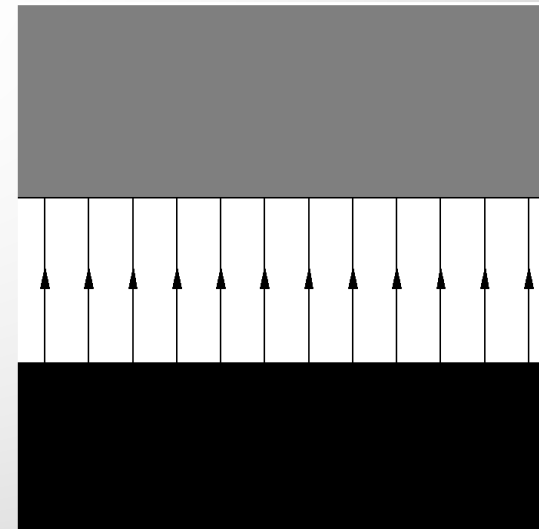
$B_1$ : normal dipole



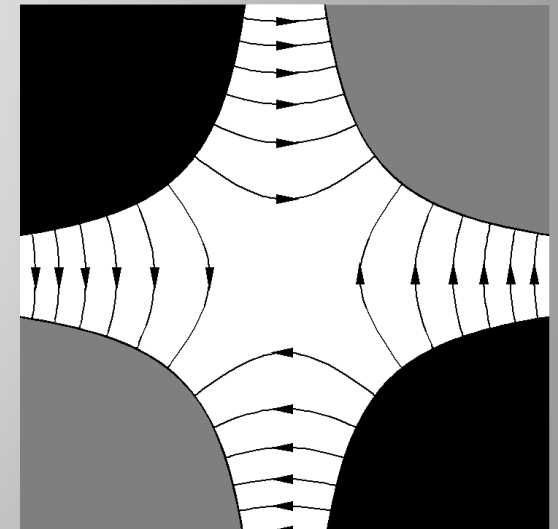
$B_2$ : normal quadrupole



$B_1$ : normal dipole

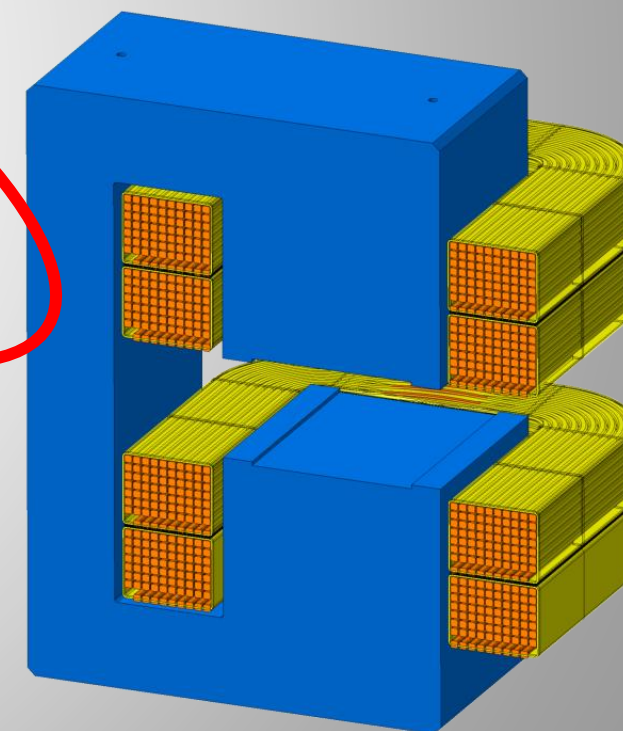
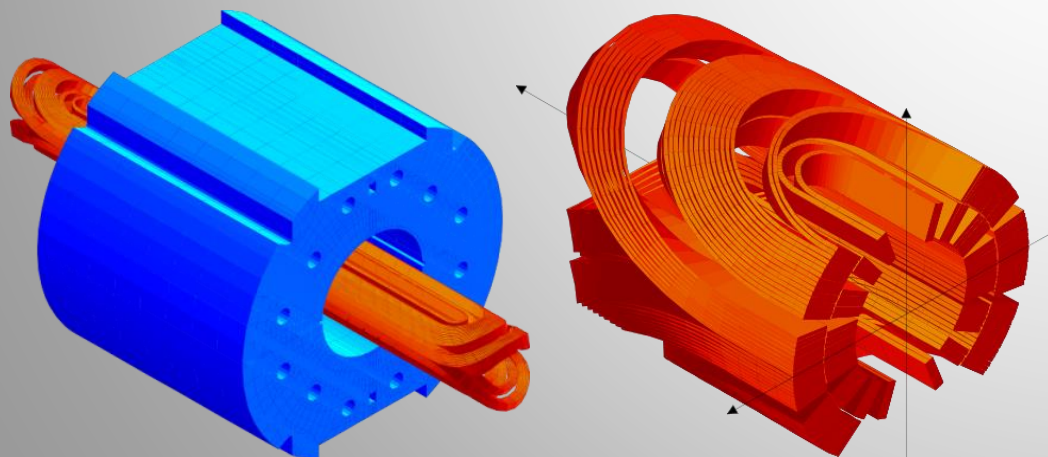
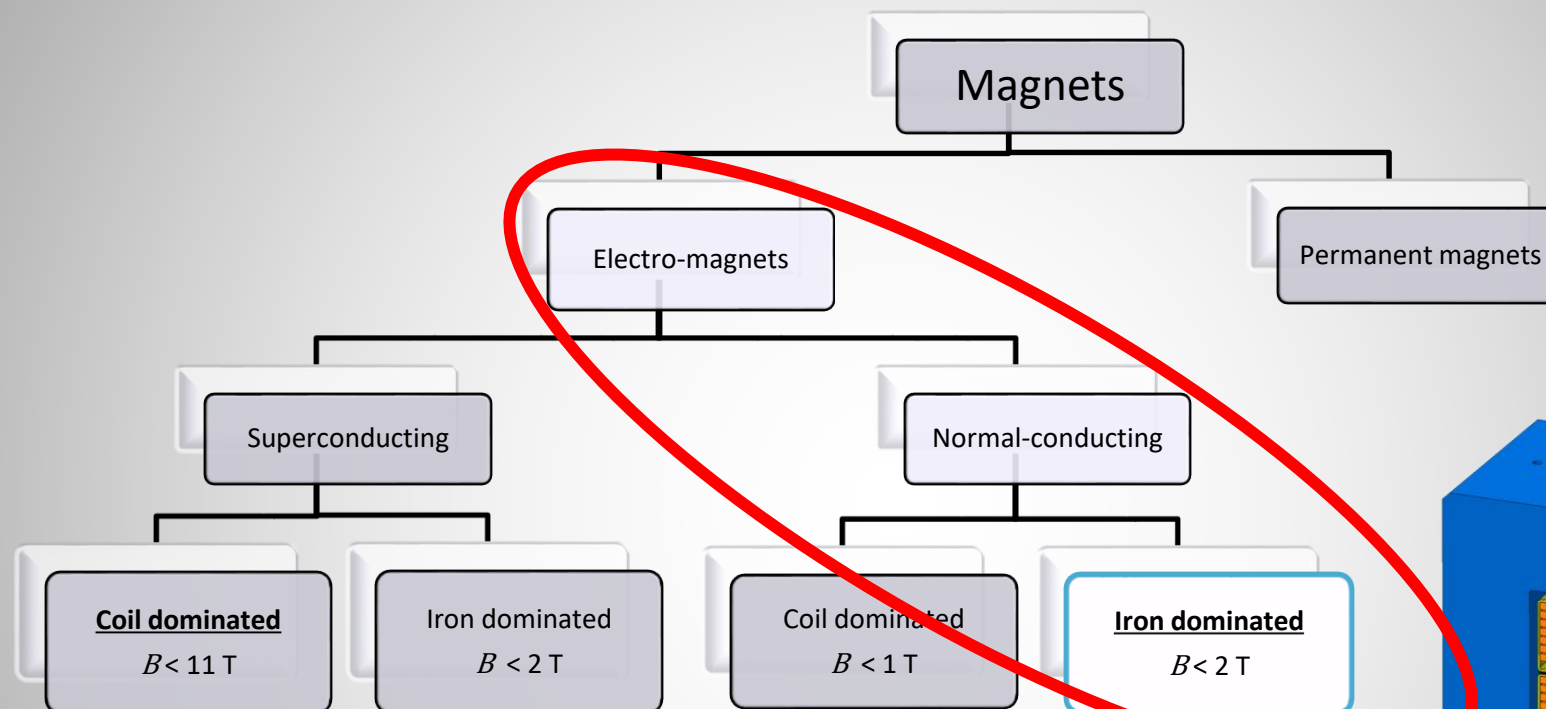


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# Magnet technologies

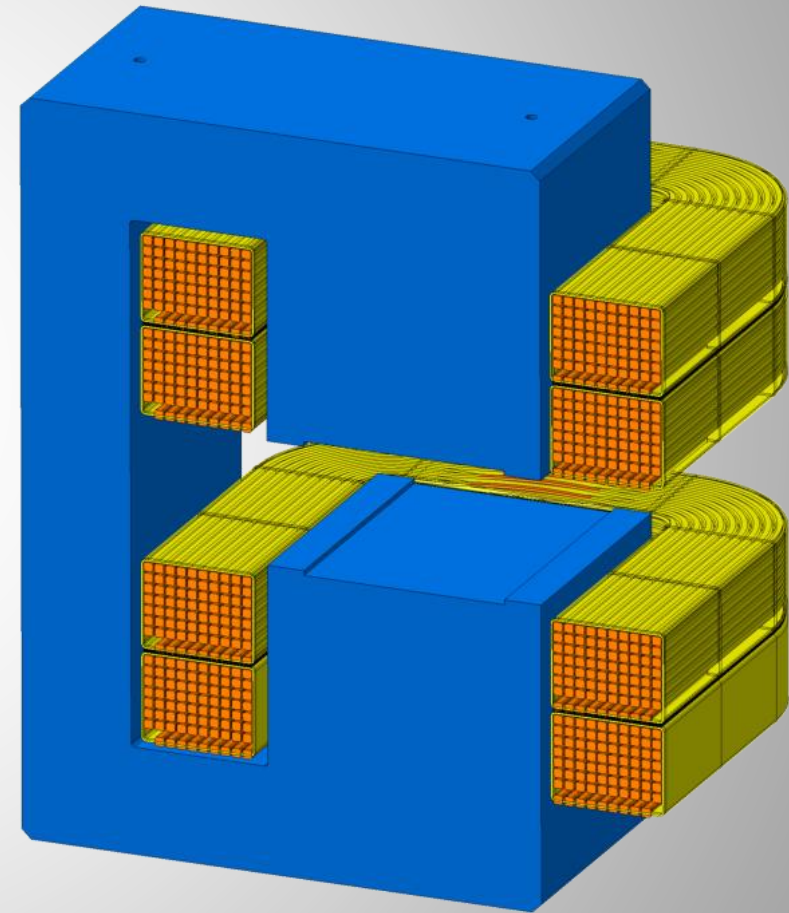




# The magnetic (iron) circuit

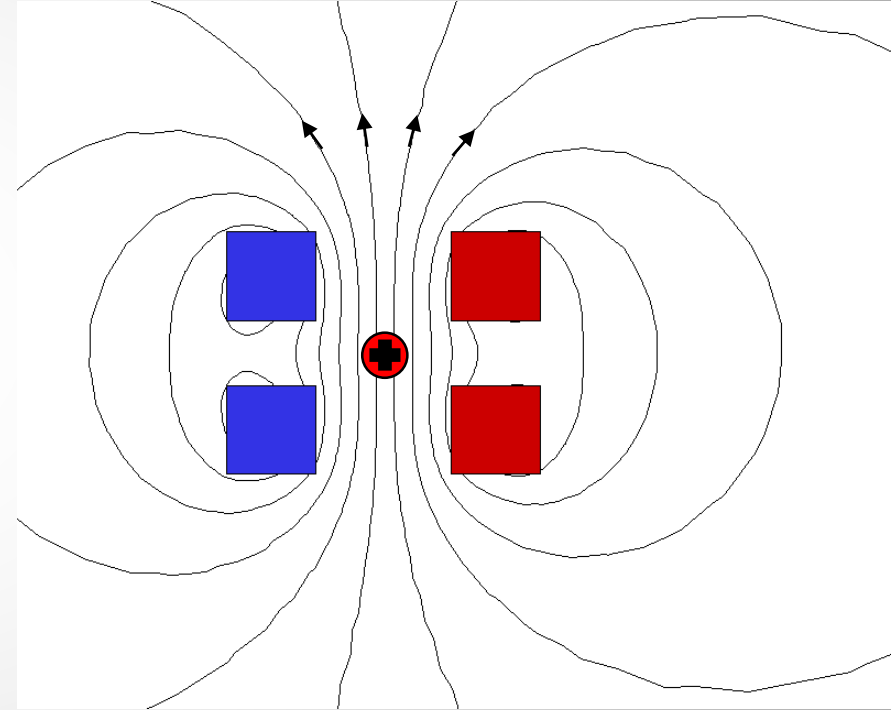
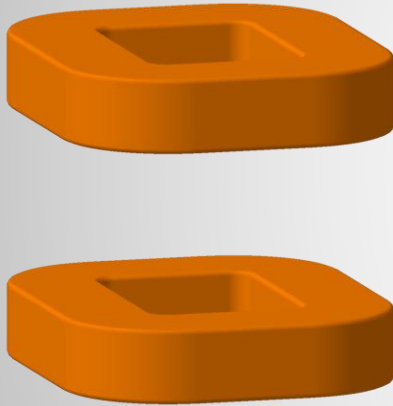
The magnetic (iron) circuit serves several purposes:

- **confine** the magnetic flux in the circuit to avoid stray flux
- **shape** the magnetic field distribution in the region of interest
- **enhance** the magnetic effect induced by currents in the coils

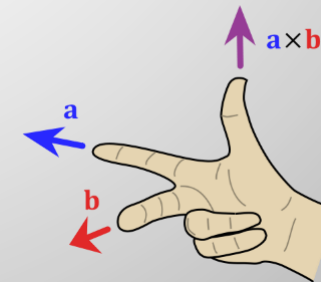




# Creating the magnetic field



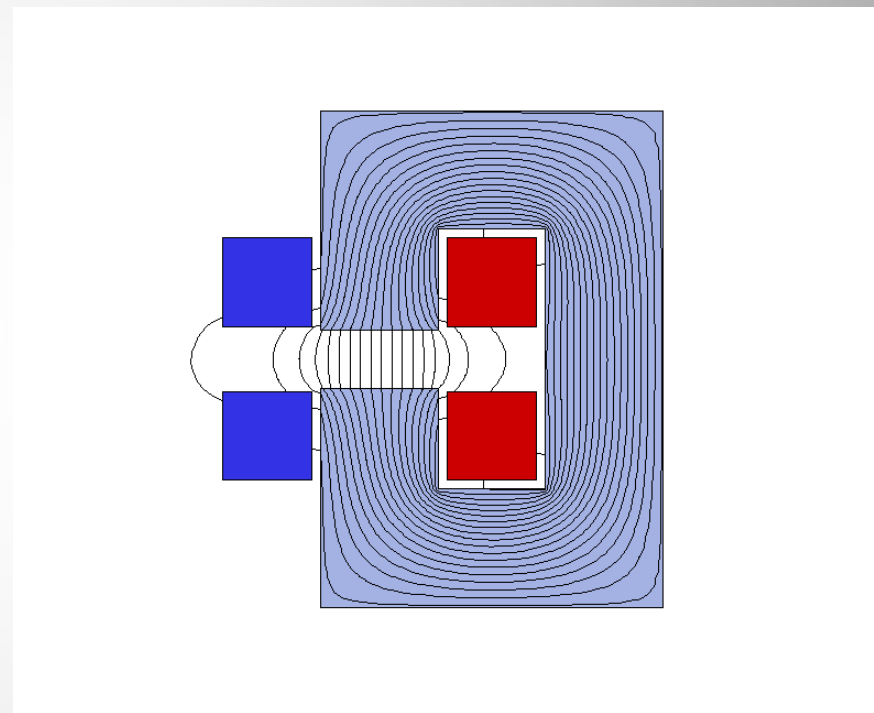
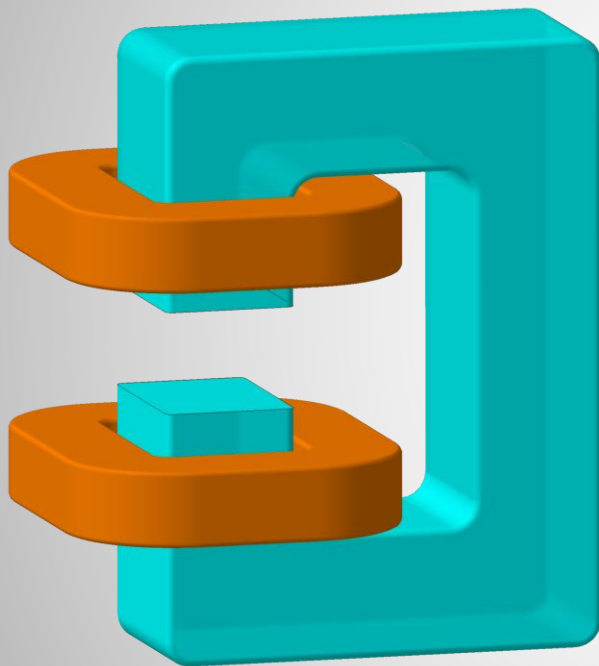
Flux lines represent the magnetic field  
Coil colors indicate the current direction







# Confining the magnetic field



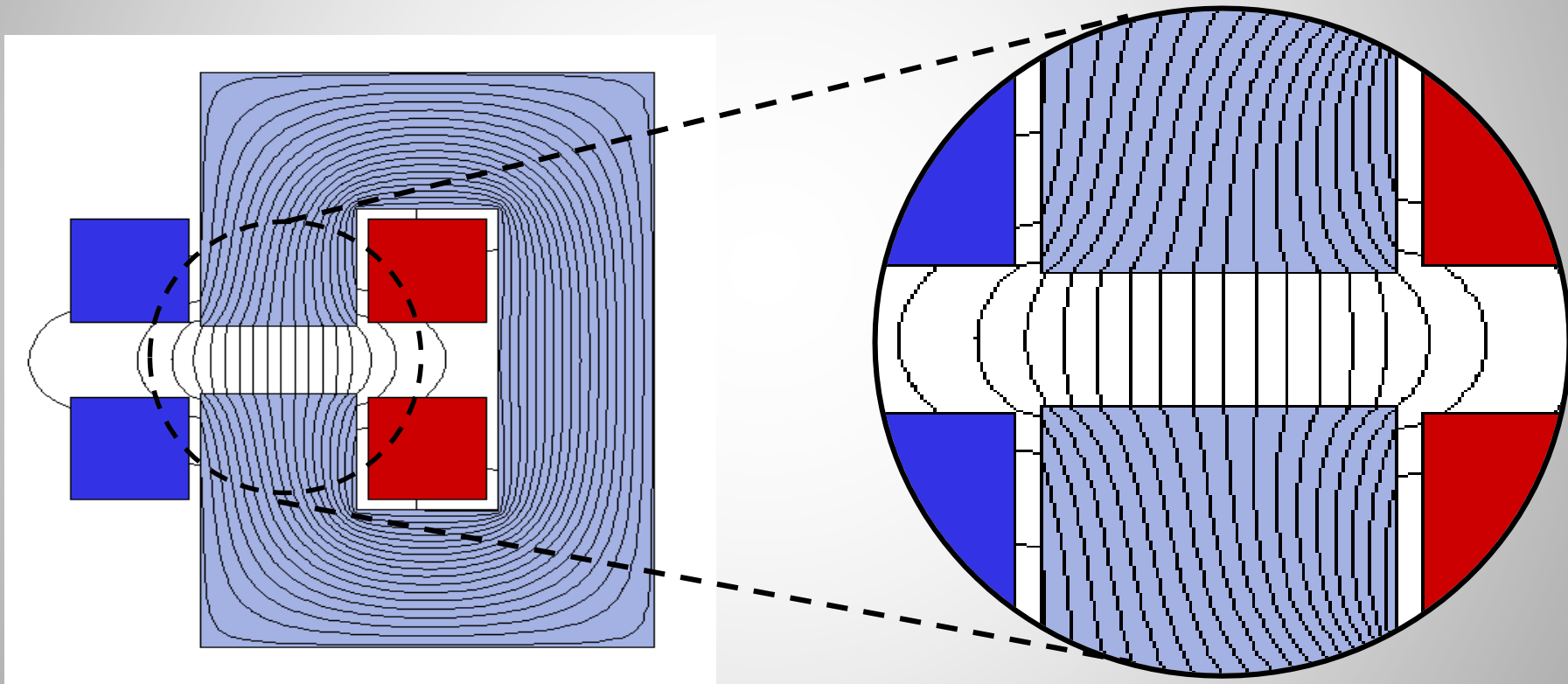
Coils hold the electrical current  
Iron holds the magnetic flux





# Shaping the magnetic field

From Gauss' law, Ampere's law and the constitutive relation, we can derive that the flux lines in free space always meet a material with infinite permeability **perpendicular** to the surface ("surface of constant scalar potential")

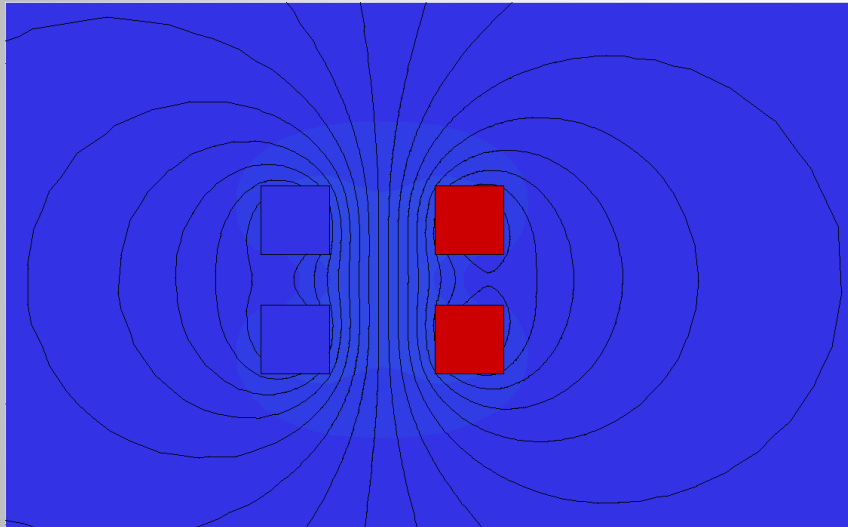


If we can shape a material with **infinite permeability** such that its surface is everywhere **perpendicular** to our desired field configuration, then the only field that can exist around the material will be this desired field

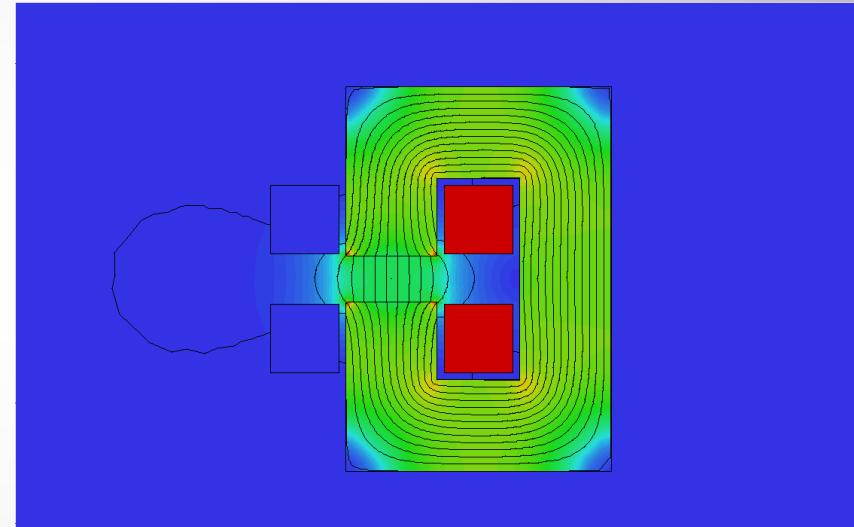


# Enhancing the magnetic field

$I = 32 \text{ kA}$   
 $B_{\text{centre}} = 0.09 \text{ T}$



$I = 32 \text{ kA}$   
 $B_{\text{centre}} = 0.80 \text{ T}$



Component: BMOD  
0.0

1.0

2.0

The presence of a **magnetic circuit** can increase the flux density in the magnet aperture by **factors!**



# Excitation current in a dipole

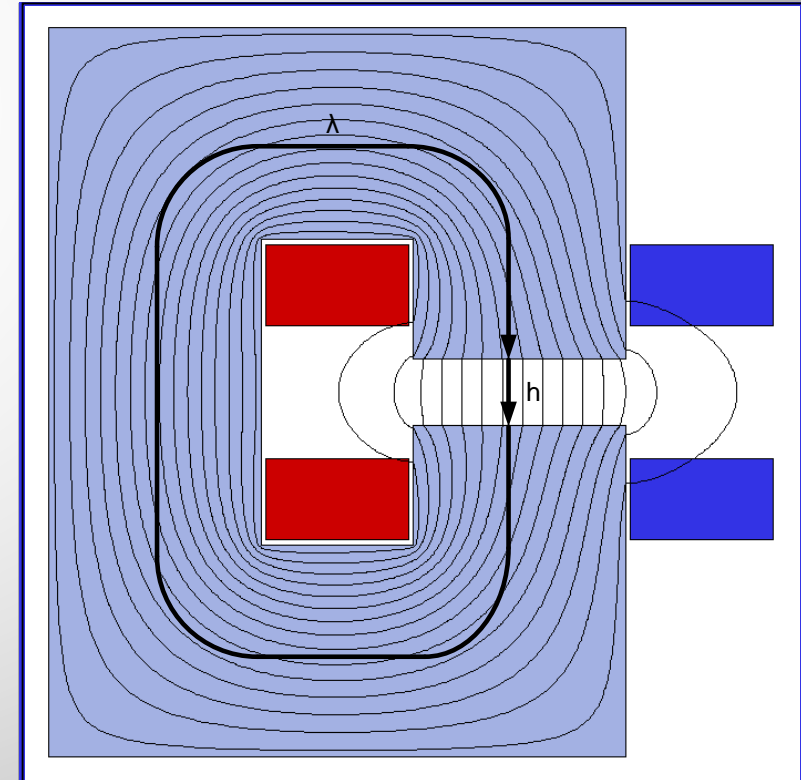
Ampere's law  $\oint \vec{H} \cdot d\vec{l} = NI$  and  $\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H}$  with  $\mu = \mu_0 \mu_r$

leads to 
$$NI = \oint \frac{\vec{B}}{\mu} \cdot d\vec{l} = \int_{gap} \frac{\vec{B}}{\mu_{air}} \cdot d\vec{l} + \int_{yoke} \frac{\vec{B}}{\mu_{iron}} \cdot d\vec{l} = \frac{Bh}{\mu_{air}} + \frac{B\lambda}{\mu_{iron}}$$

assuming, that  $B$  is constant along the path

If  $\mu_{iron} \rightarrow \infty$  then  $\frac{\lambda}{\mu_{iron}} \rightarrow 0$

then: 
$$NI = \frac{Bh}{\mu_0}$$





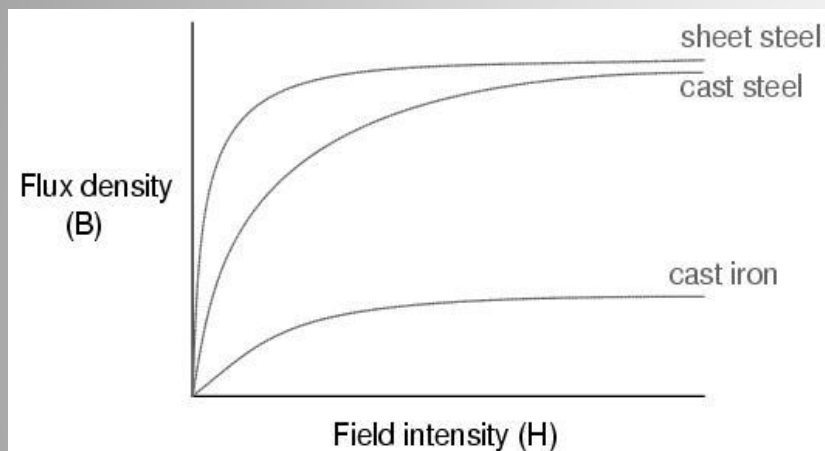
# Permeability

**Permeability:** correlation between magnetic field strength  $H$  and magnetic flux density  $B$

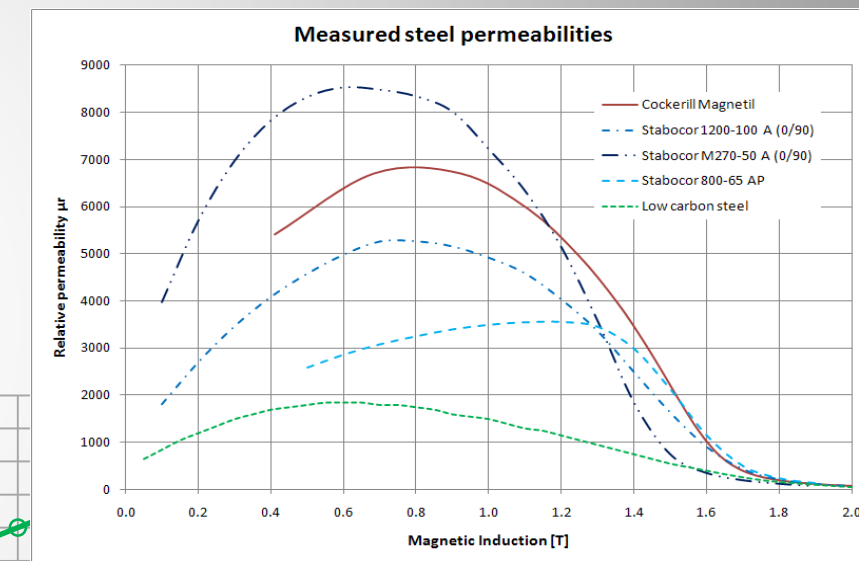
$$\vec{B} = \mu \vec{H}$$

$$\mu = \mu_0 \mu_r$$

**Ferro-magnetic** materials: high relative permeability ( $\mu_r \gg 1$ ), but not constant

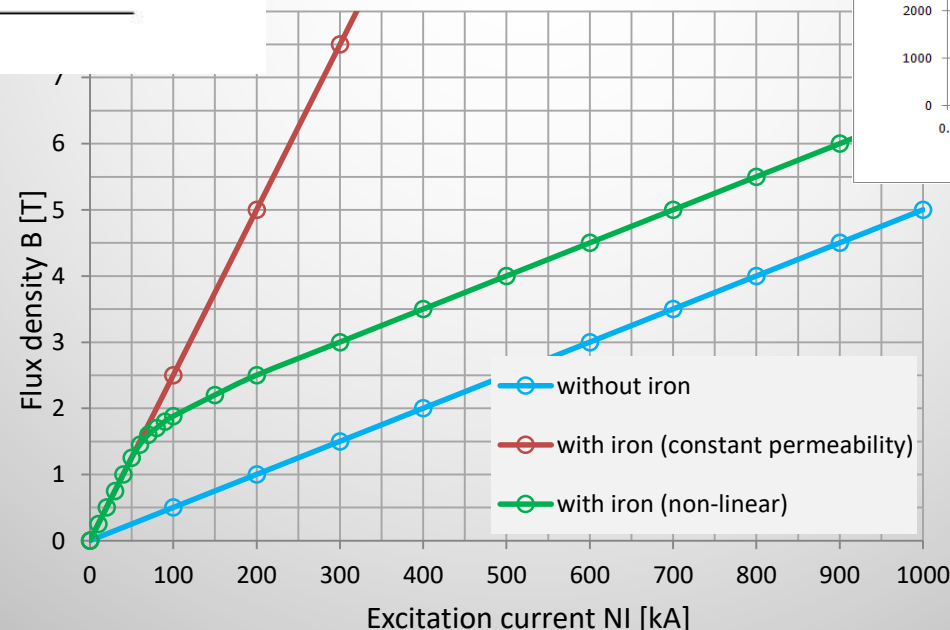


**Saturation:** Increase of  $B$  above 1.5 T in iron requires non-proportional increase of  $H$



**Consequence 1:**  
The path in the iron can no longer be fully neglected

$$NI \approx \frac{Bh}{\mu_0}$$

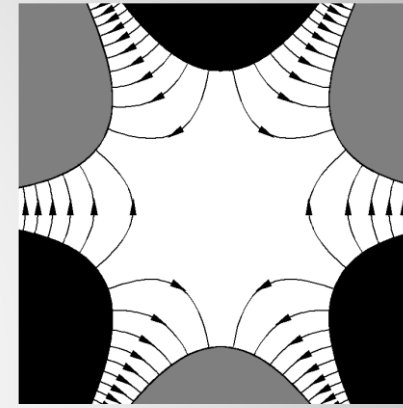
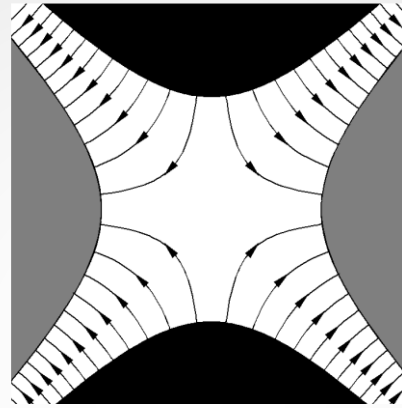
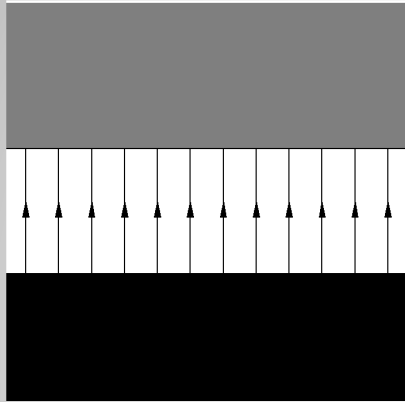


**Consequence 2:**  
The flux lines will no longer meet the iron perpendicularly creating field imperfections

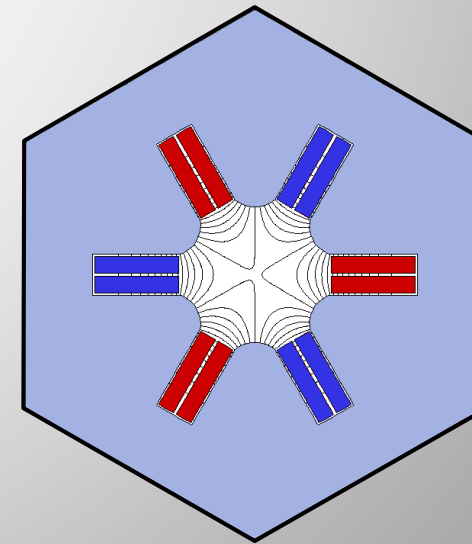
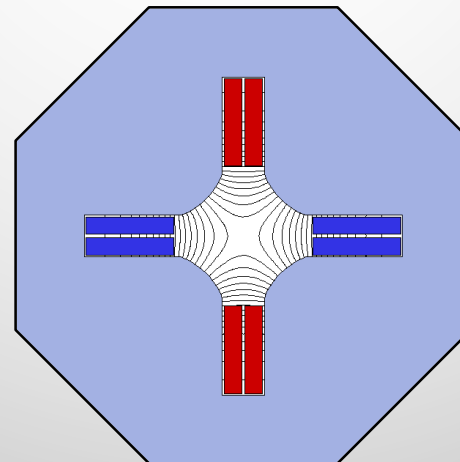
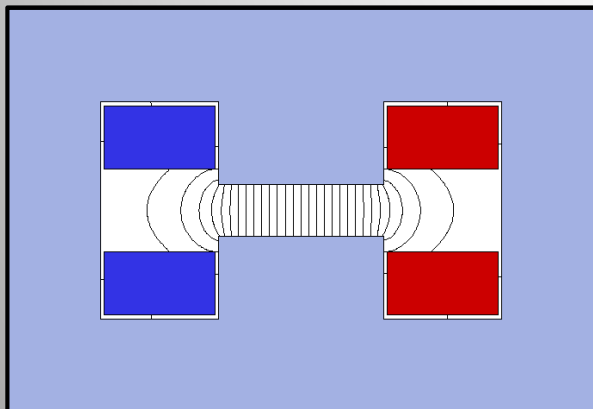


# Ideal vs. real magnets

Ideal magnets have **infinite permeability**, and the poles are **extended to infinity** in all directions



Real magnets have **high, but finite and non-linear permeability**, and the poles are **truncated** to provide space for the coils

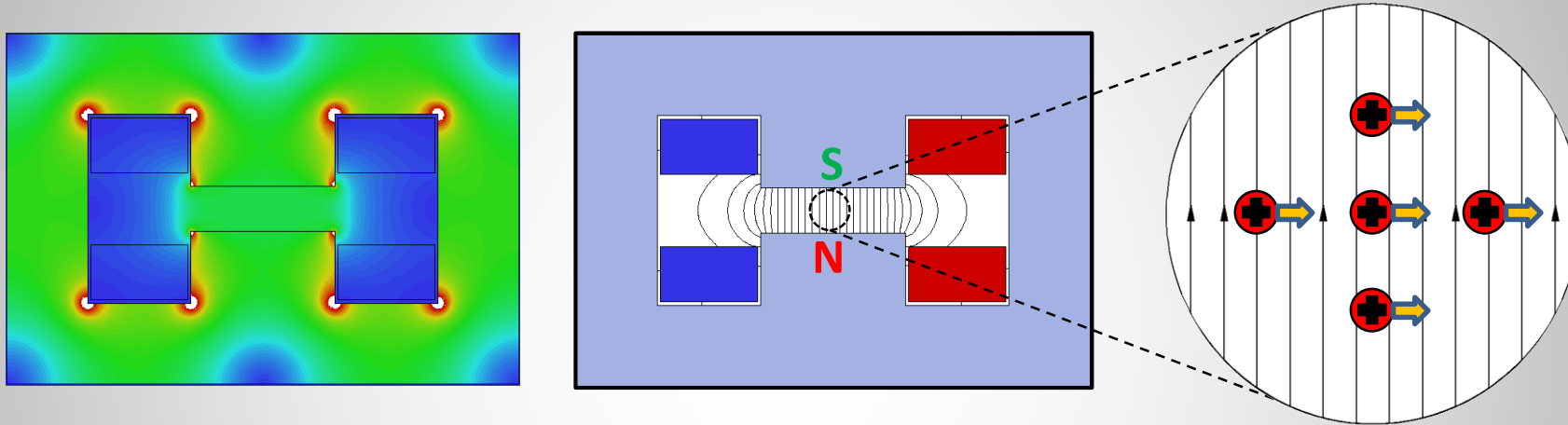






# Dipole

Purpose: bend or steer the particle beam



Equation for normal (non-skew) ideal (infinite) poles:

$$y = \pm h/2 \quad (\rightarrow \text{straight line with } h = \text{gap height})$$

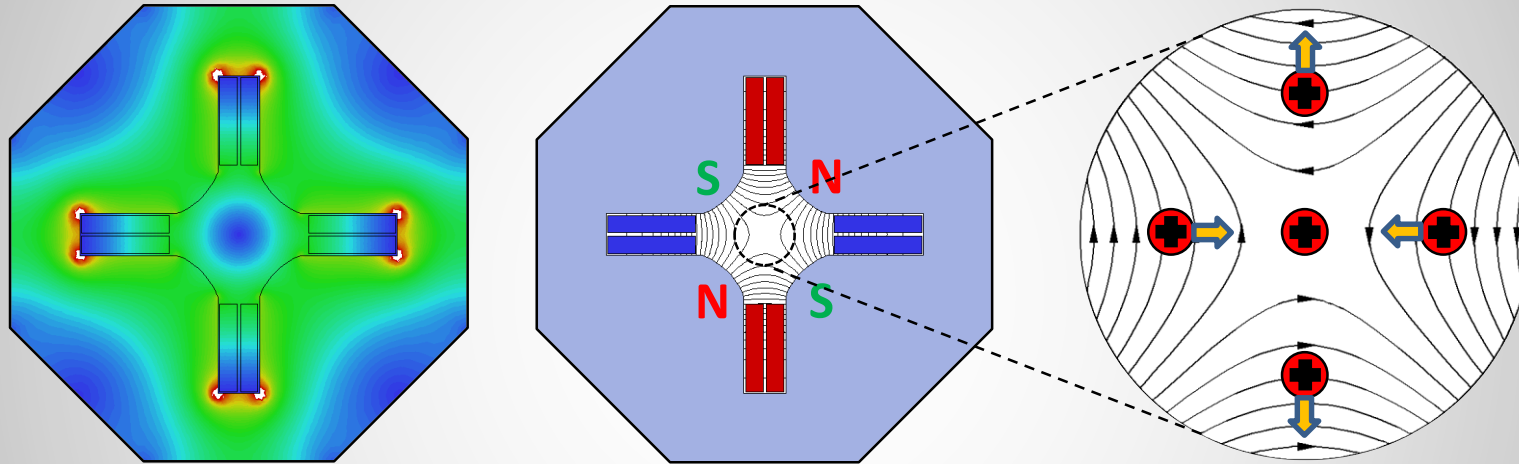
Magnetic flux density:  $B_x = 0$ ;  $B_y = B_1 = \text{const.}$

Applications: synchrotrons, transfer lines, spectrometry, beam scanning



# Quadrupole

Purpose: focusing the beam (horizontally focused beam is vertically defocused)



Equation for normal (non-skew) ideal (infinite) poles:

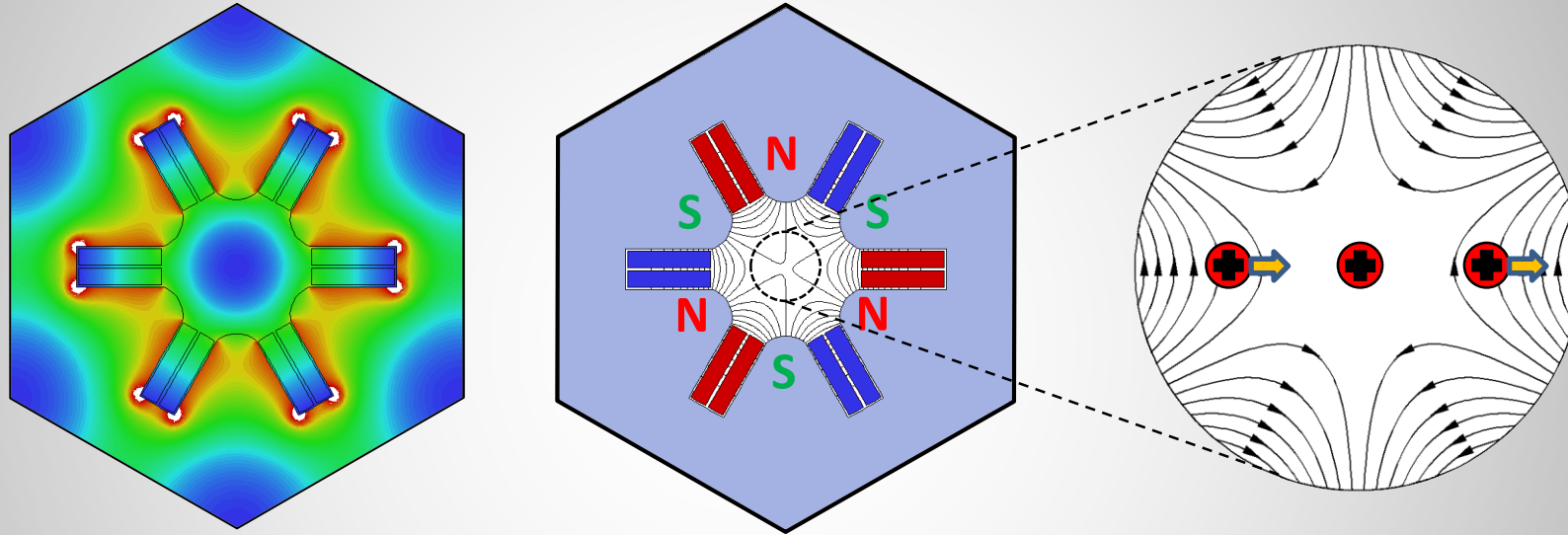
$$2xy = \pm r^2 \quad (\rightarrow \text{hyperbola with } r = \text{aperture radius})$$

Magnetic flux density:  $B_x = \frac{B_2}{R_{ref}} y$ ;  $B_y = \frac{B_2}{R_{ref}} x$



# Sextupole

Purpose: correct chromatic aberrations of 'off-momentum' particles



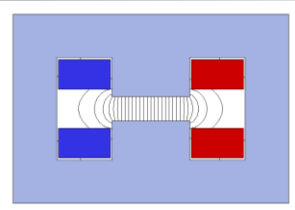
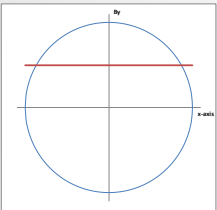
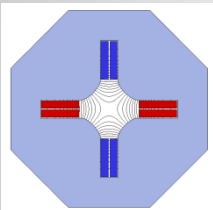
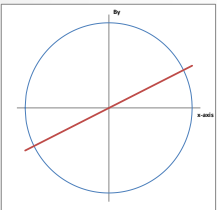
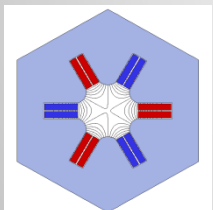
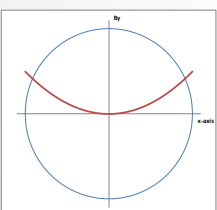
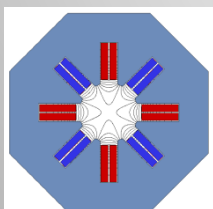
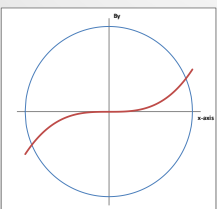
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$$3x^2y - y^3 = \pm r^3 \text{ (with } r = \text{aperture radius)}$$

Magnetic flux density:  $B_x = \frac{B_3}{R_{ref}^2} xy$ ;  $B_y = \frac{B_3}{R_{ref}^2} (x^2 - y^2)$



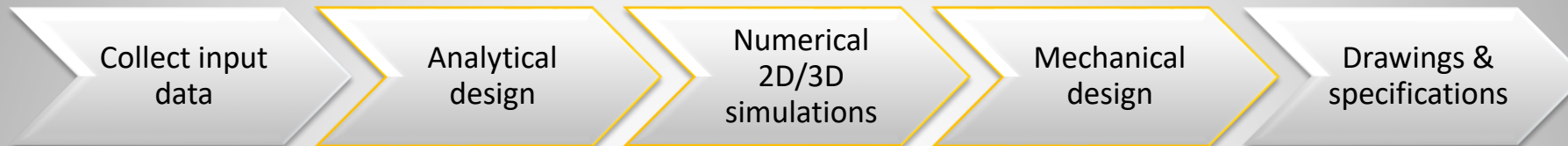
# Magnet types

Pole shape	Field distribution	Pole equation	$B_x, B_y$
		$y = \pm r$	$B_x = 0$ $B_y = B_1 = \text{const.}$
		$2xy = \pm r^2$	$B_x = \frac{B_2}{R_{ref}} y$ $B_y = \frac{B_2}{R_{ref}} x$
		$3x^2y - y^3 = \pm r^3$	$B_x = \frac{B_3}{R_{ref}^2} xy$ $B_y = \frac{B_3}{R_{ref}^2} (x^2 - y^2)$
		$4(x^3y - xy^3) = \pm r^4$	$B_x = \frac{B_4}{R_{ref}^3} (3x^2y - y^3)$ $B_y = \frac{B_4}{6R_{ref}^3} (x^3 - 3xy^2)$

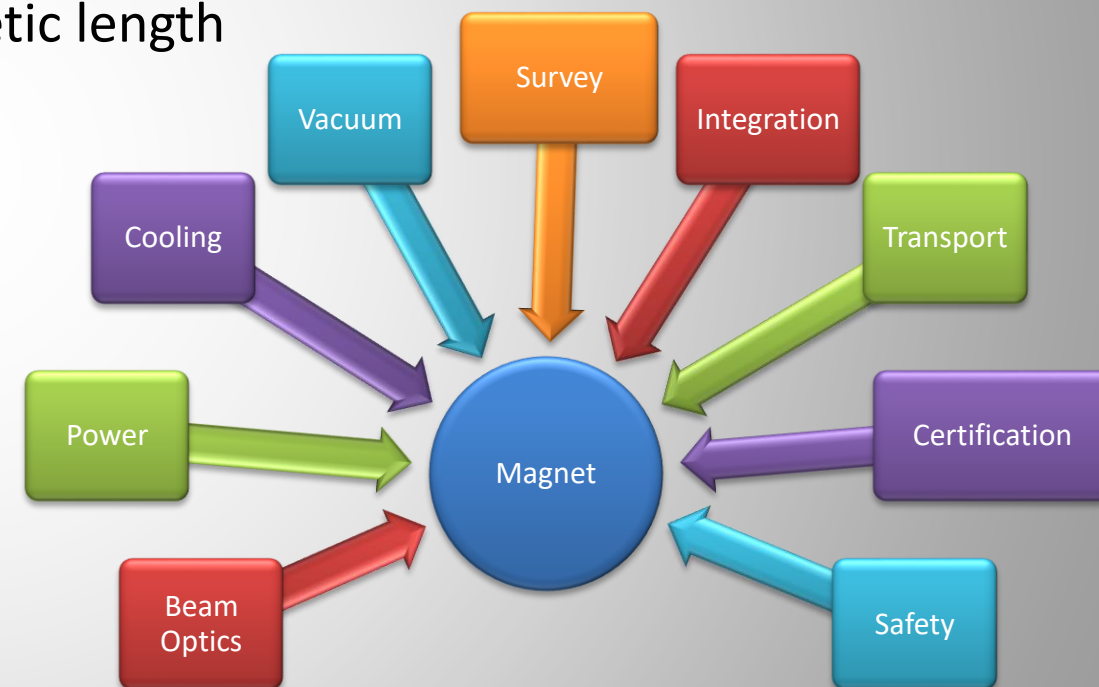


# Design process

Electro-magnetic design is an iterative process:



- Field strength (gradient) and magnetic length
- Integrated field strength (gradient)
- Aperture and ‚good field region‘
- Field quality:
  - field homogeneity
  - maximum allowed multi-pole errors
  - settling time (time constant)
- Operation mode: continuous, cycled
- Electrical parameters
- Mechanical dimensions
- Cooling requirements

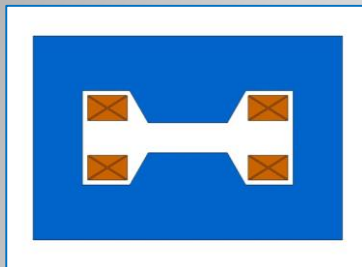


*A magnet is not a stand-alone device!*





# Conventional nc-magnet layout

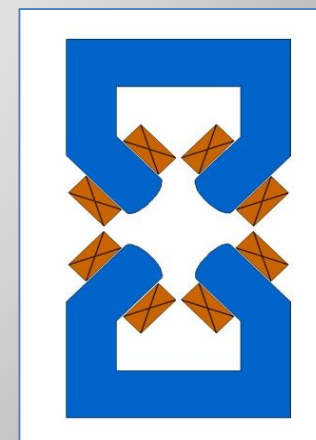
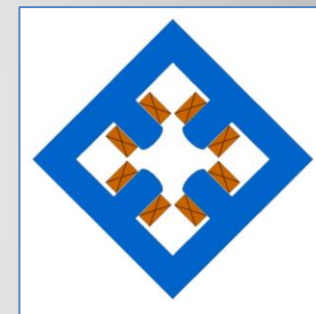
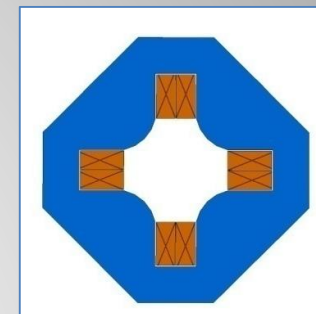
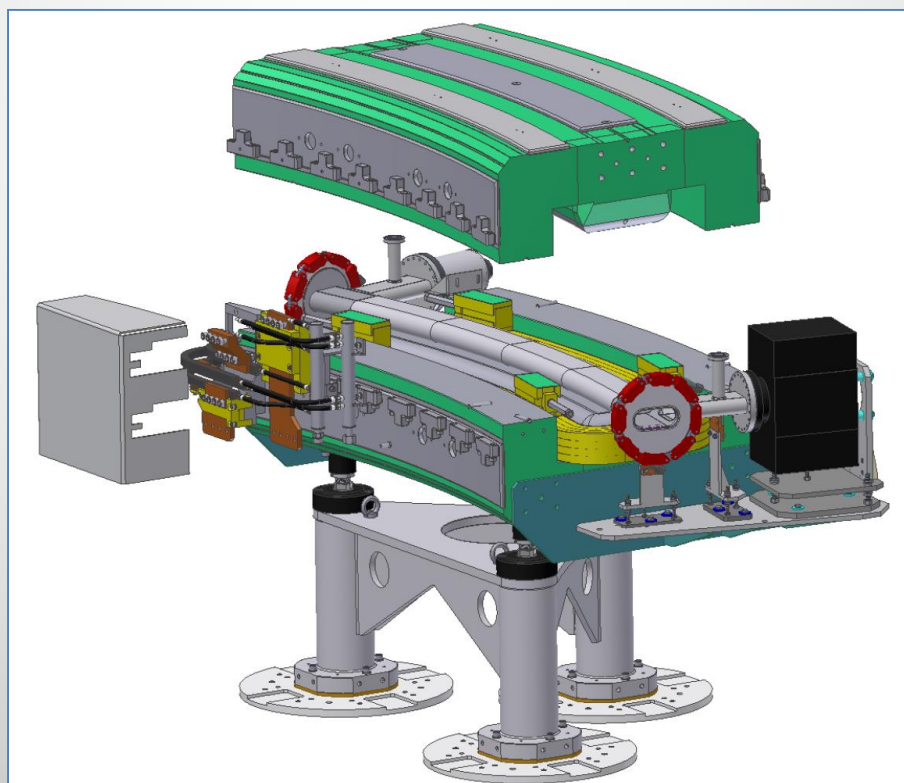
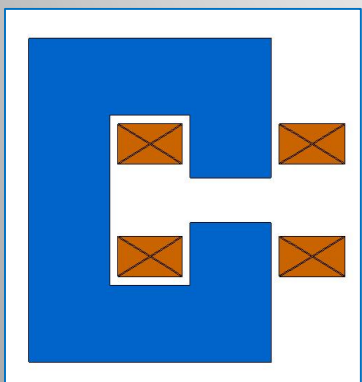
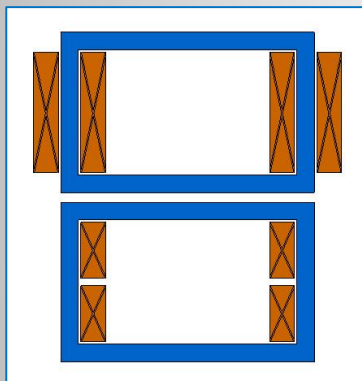


Excitation coils carry the electrical current creating  $H$

Iron yokes guide and enhance the magnetic flux

Iron poles shape the magnetic field in the aperture around the particle beam

Auxiliaries for cooling, interlock, safety, alignment, ...

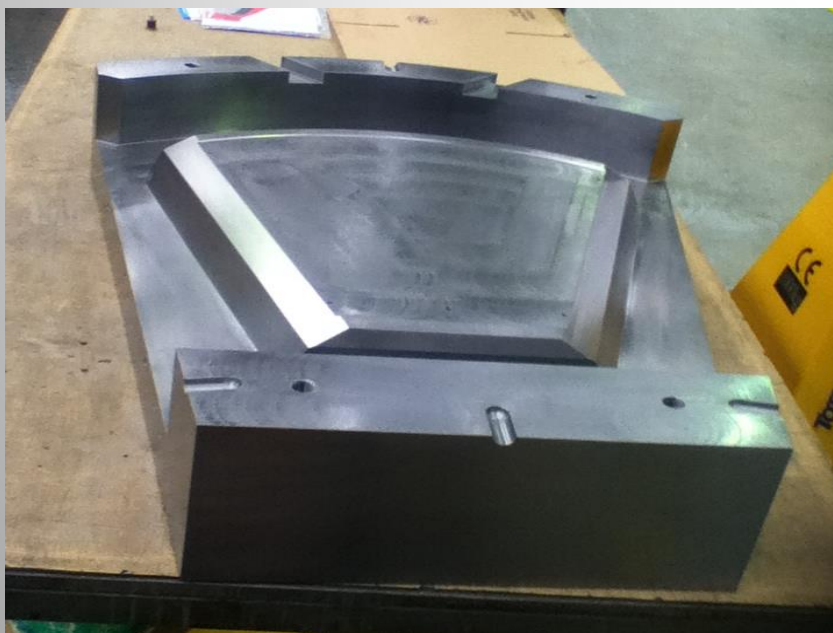




# Massive vs. laminated yokes

Historically, the primary choice was whether the magnet is operated in persistent mode or cycled (**eddy currents**)

- + no stamping, no stacking
- time consuming machining, in particular for complicated pole shapes
- difficult to reach similar magnetic performance between magnets
- + less expensive for prototypes and small series



- + steel sheets less expensive than massive blocks
- + steel properties can be easily tailored
- + uniform magnetic properties over large series
- expensive tooling
- + less expensive for larger series







# Yoke manufacturing



Stamping laminations



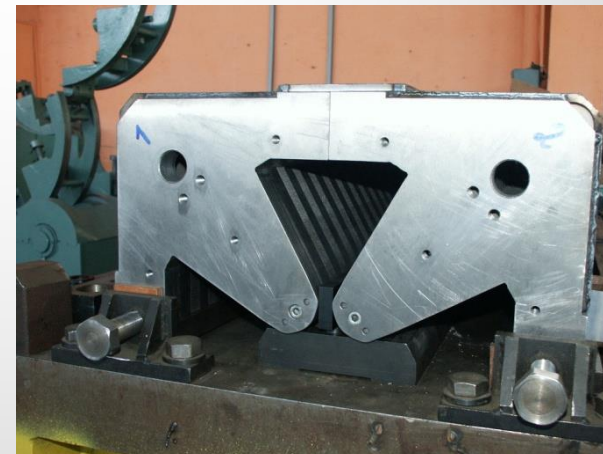
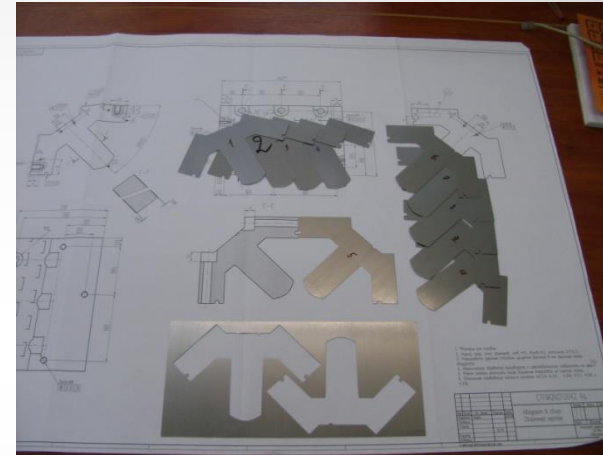
Stacking laminations  
into yokes



Gluing and/or welding



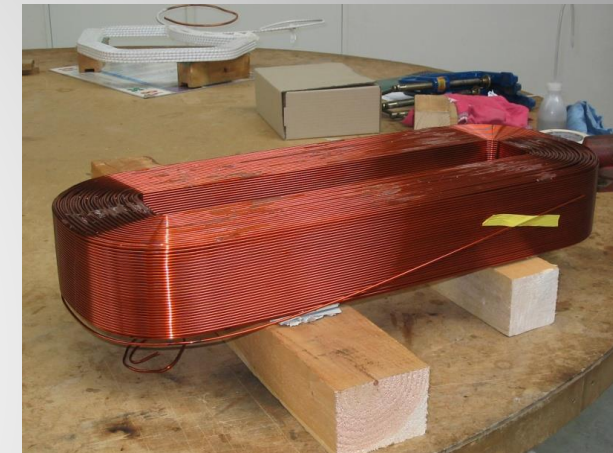
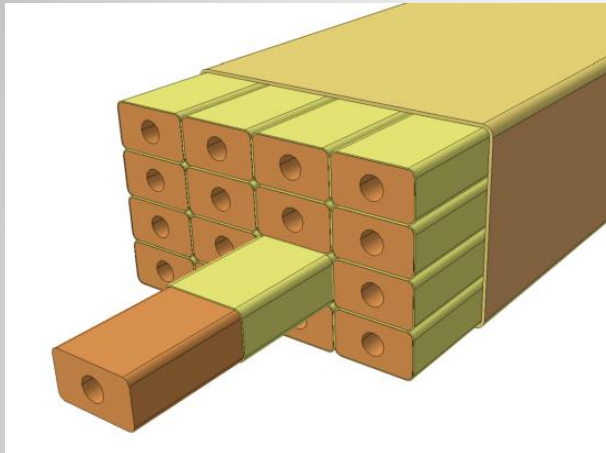
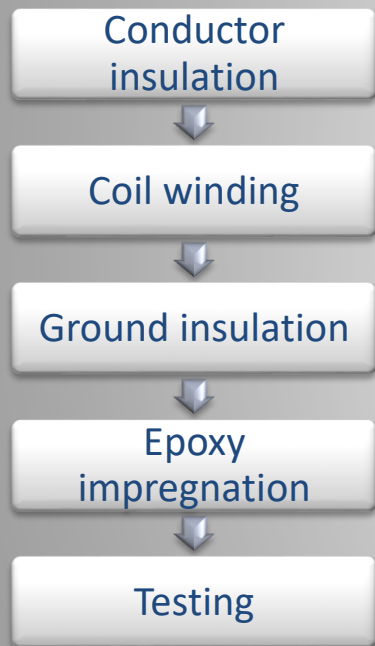
Assembling the yoke  
parts







# Excitation coils





# Coil cooling

Cooling is required to remove the dissipated electrical power from the coils

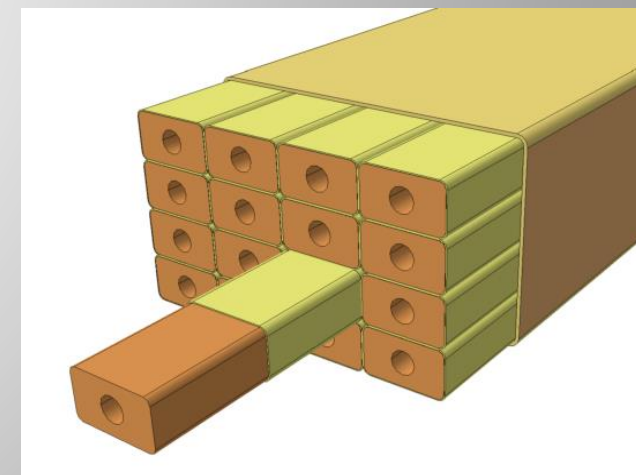
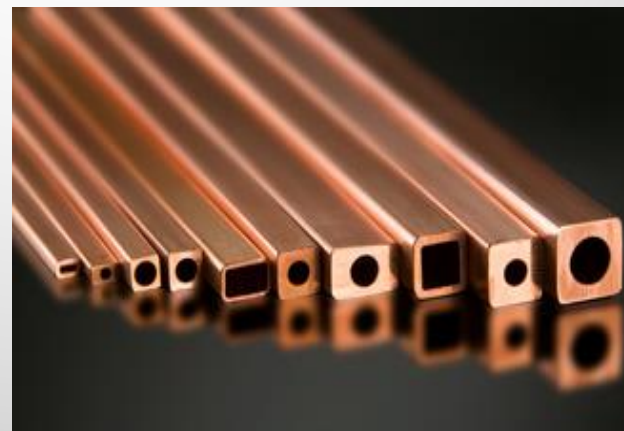
## Air cooling by natural convection:

- Only for low densities:  $j < 2 \text{ A/mm}^2$  for small, thin coils
- Cooling enhancement
  - Heat sink with enlarged radiation surface
  - Forced air flow (cooling fan)
- Only for magnets with limited strength (e.g. correctors)



## Direct water cooling:

- Typical current density  $j \leq 10 \text{ A/mm}^2$
- Requires **demineralized** water (low conductivity) and hollow conductor profiles





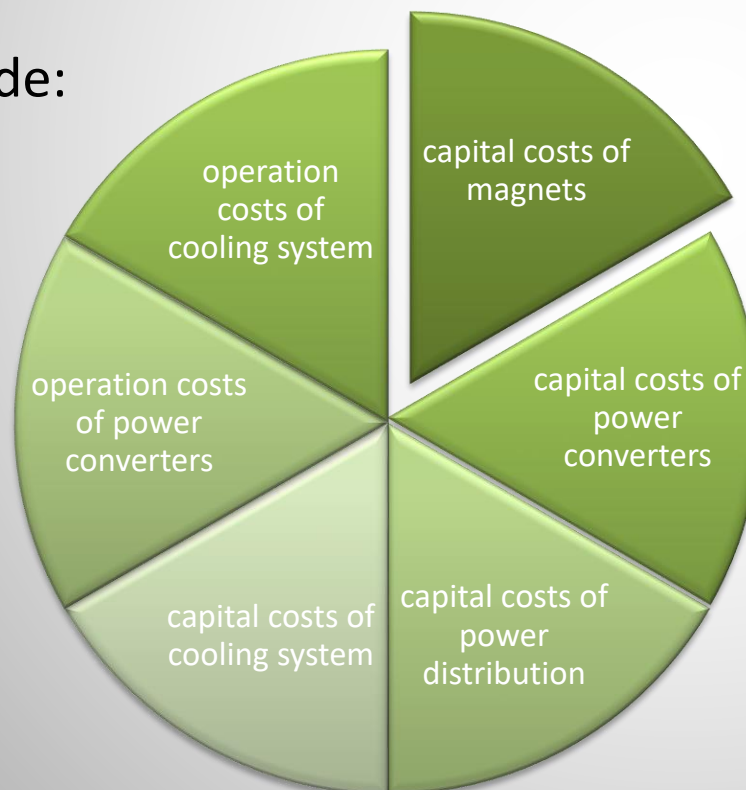


# Costs and optimization

*Focus on economic design!*

**Design goal:** Minimum total costs over projected magnet lifetime by optimization of capital (investment) costs against running costs (power consumption)

Total costs include:



**Attention:** *Power  $\propto$  current density*

Decreasing current density means:

- increasing coil cross section
- increasing material (coil & yoke) cost
- increasing manufacturing cost

But:

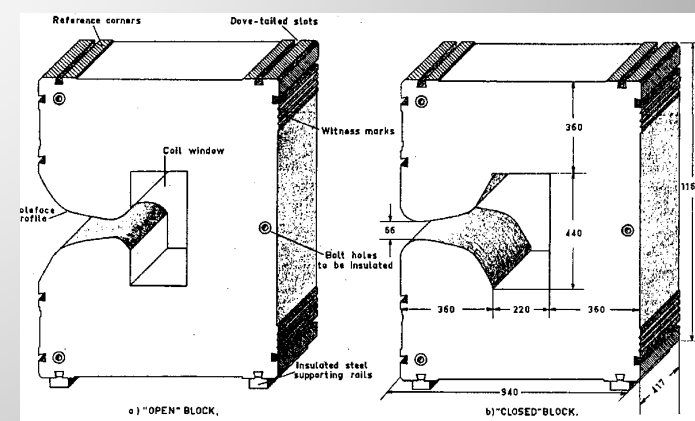
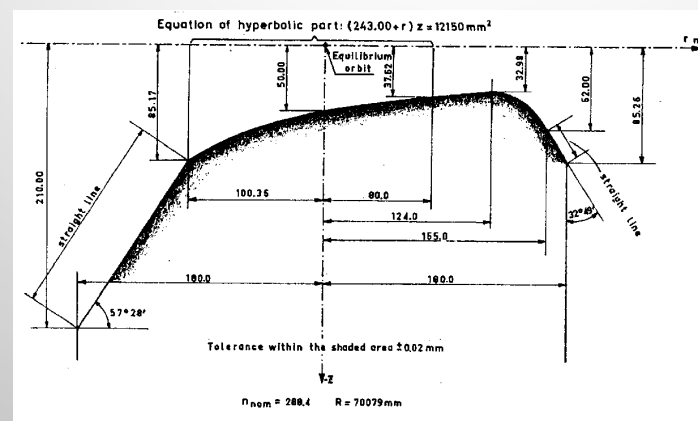
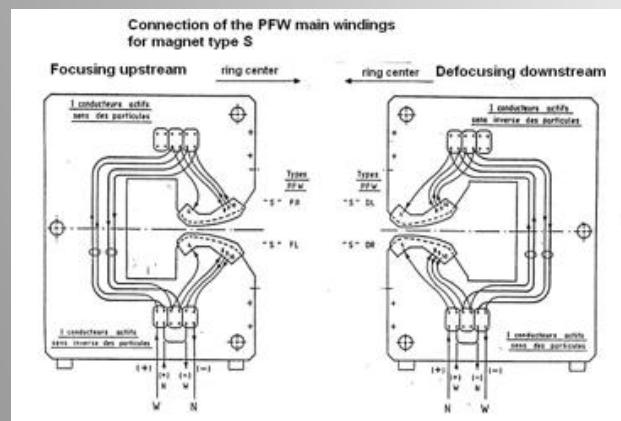
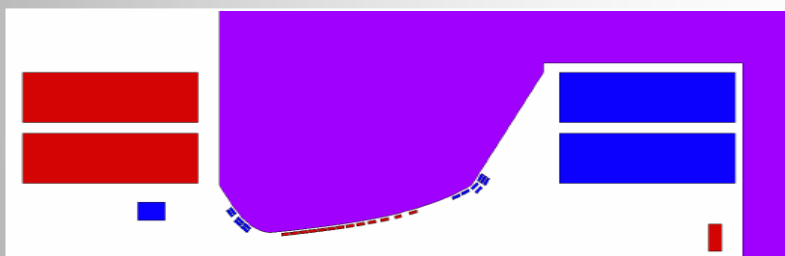
- decreasing capital costs for power converter and cooling system
- decreasing operation costs



# NC-magnets in the 1950-60s

CERN PS (1959), 25 GeV, 628 m

- Combined function magnet: dipole + quadrupole + higher order multi-poles
- Water cooled main coils + Figure-of-Eight windings + Pole-face windings
- Magnetic field  $B$ : 0.014 T – 1.4 T
- 100 + 1 magnets in series



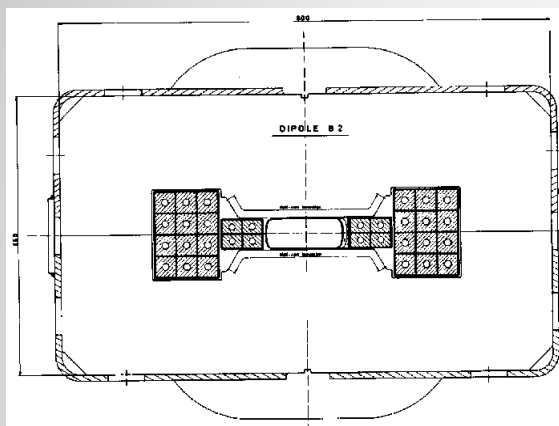




# NC-magnets in the 1970s

CERN SPS (1976), 7 km, 450 GeV

- 744 H-type bending magnets with  $B = 2.05$  T



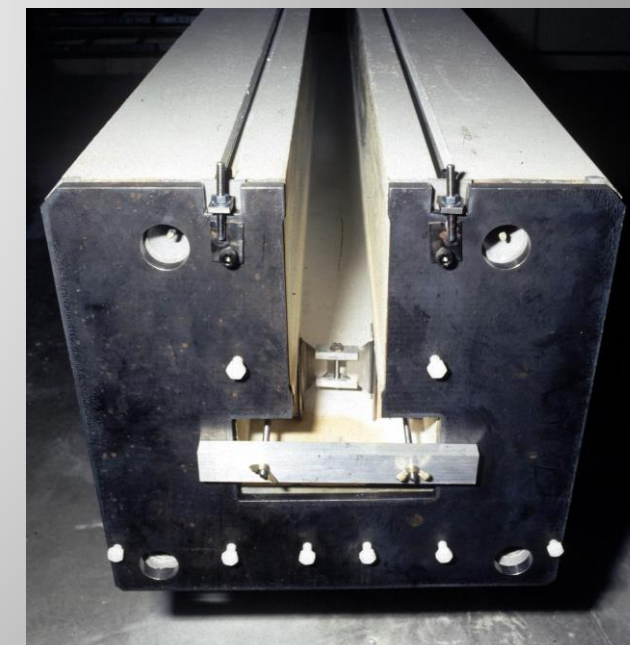
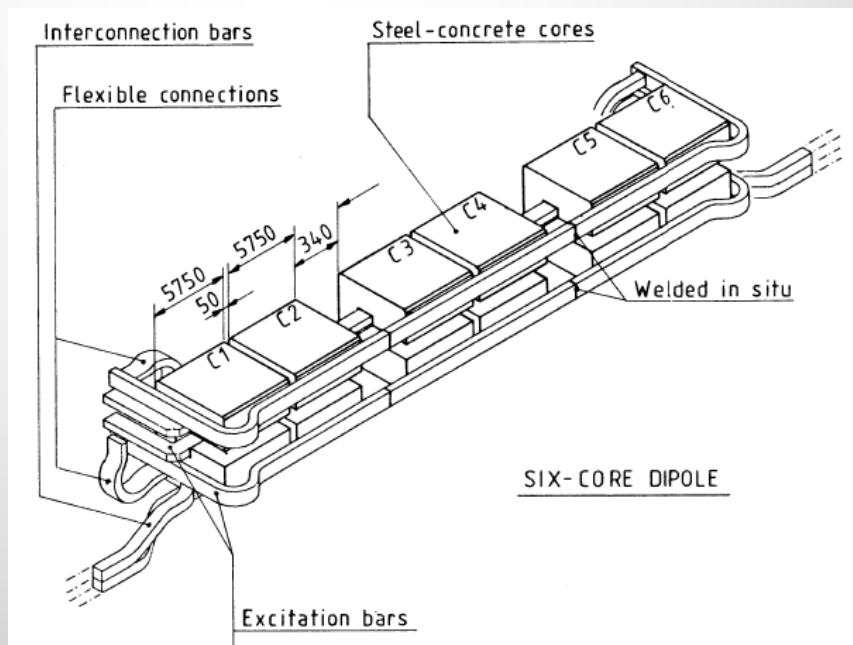
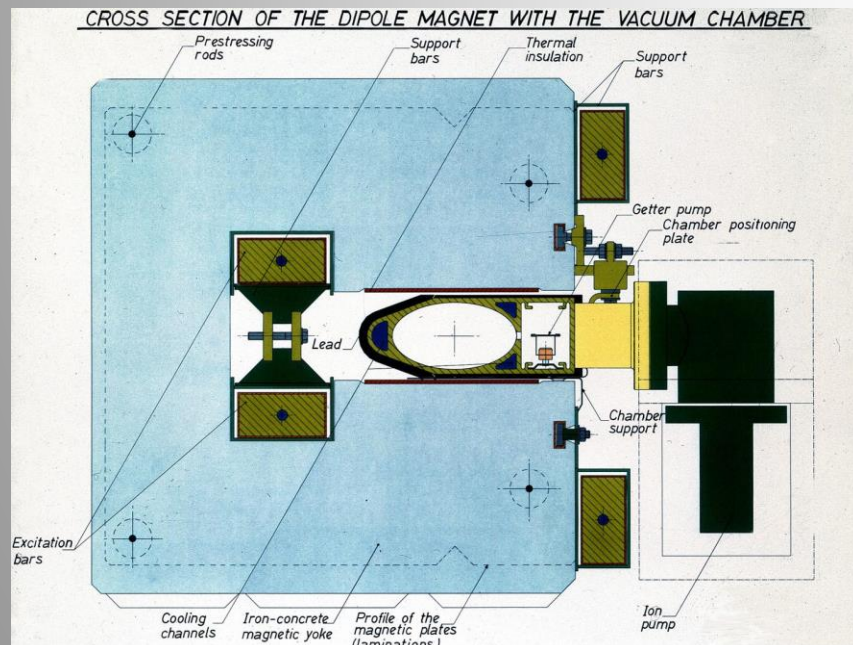




# NC-magnets in the 1980s

LEP (1989), 27 km

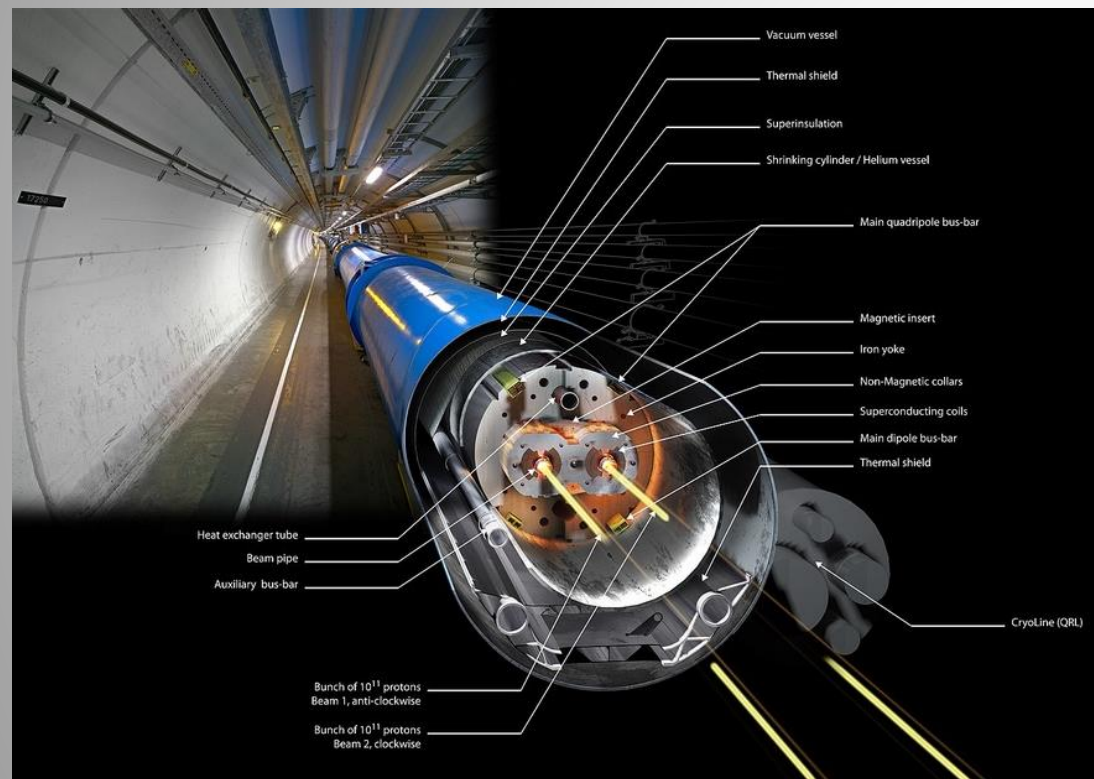
- Cycled field: 22 mT (20 GeV injection) to 108 mT (100 GeV)
- 5.75 m long 'diluted' magnet cores: 30% Fe / 70% concrete
- Four water cooled aluminium excitation bars
- Max. current: 4.5 kA







# NC-magnets even in the LHC ...



LHC Main Dipole

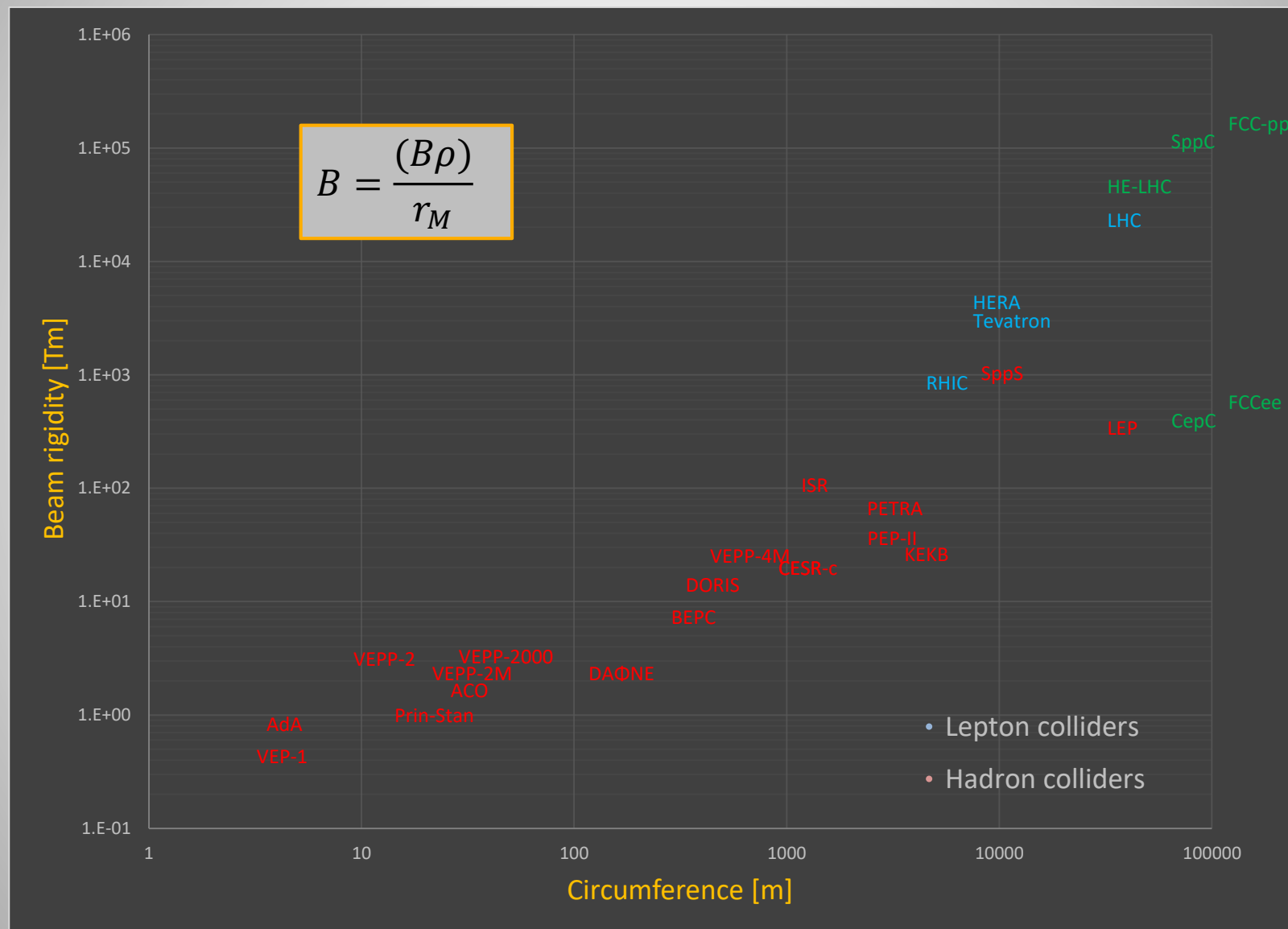


Double-aperture LHC quadrupole





# Circular Colliders





# Future challenges



Future accelerator projects bear a number of financial and technological challenges in general, but also in particular for magnets ...

Large scale machines:

Investment cost: material, production, transport, installation

Operation costs: low power consumption & cooling

Reliability & availability

High energy beams and intensities:

Ionizing radiation impact on materials and electronics

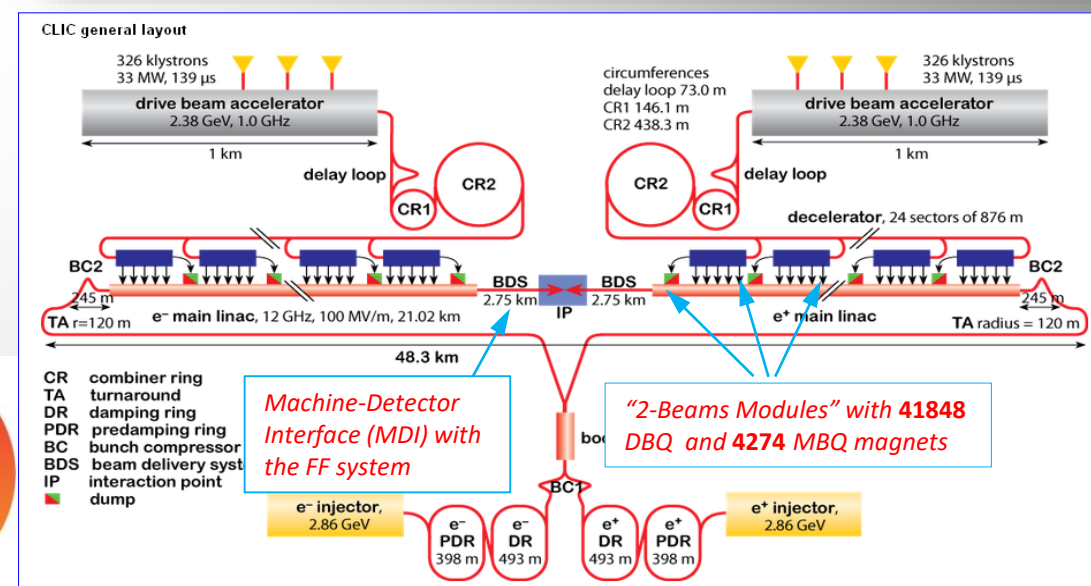
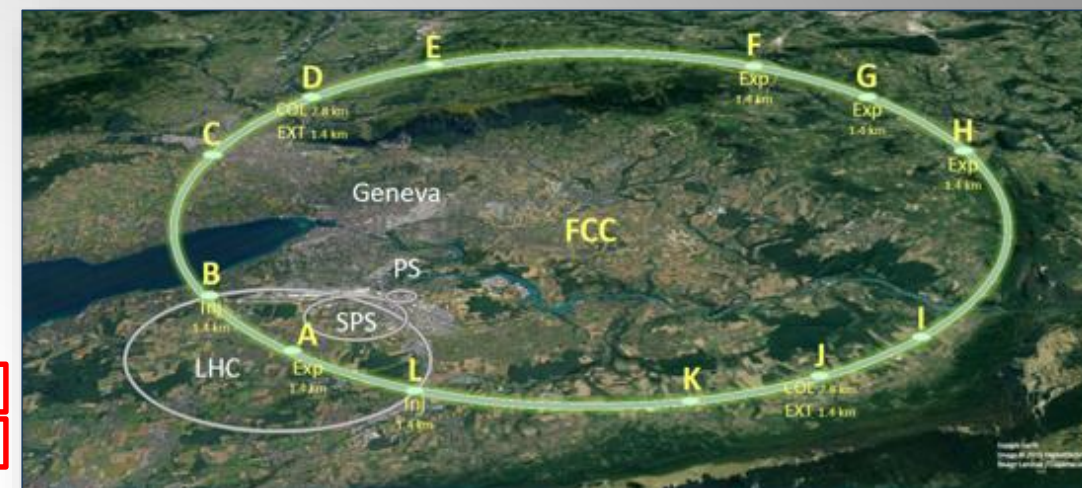
Hadron colliders:

High magnetic fields

Lepton colliders (circular & linear):

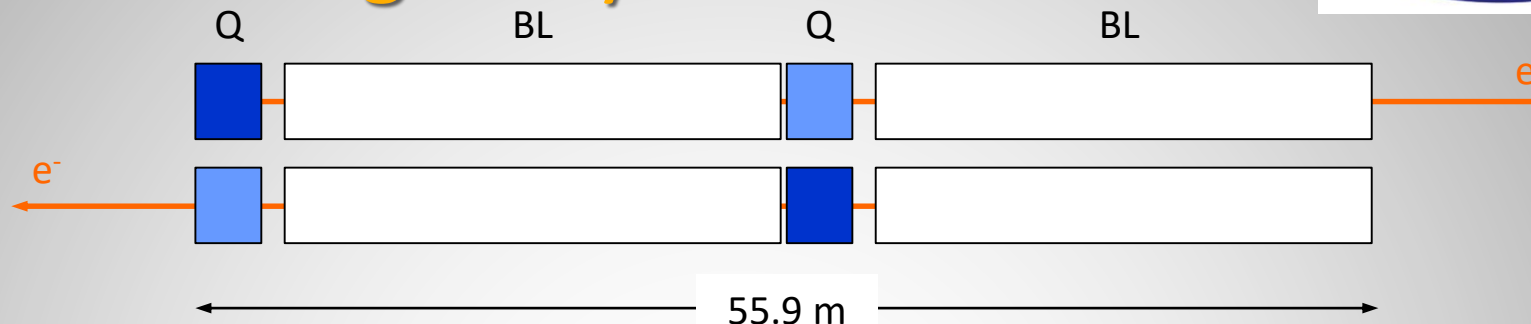
Alignment & stabilization

Compact design & small apertures





# Magnet system for FCC-ee



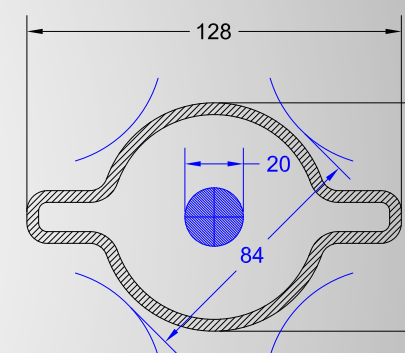
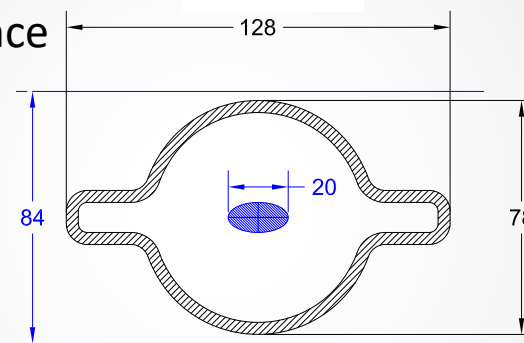
Double collider ~100 km circumference

Counter-rotating  $e^+$  /  $e^-$  beams

DC operation with top-up injection

1450 FODO cells, each 55.9 m long

Tuneability  $\pm 1\%$



Parameter	Bending magnets	Quadrupole magnets
Quantity (per ring)	2900	1450 + 1450
Magnetic length	23.94 (21.94) m	3.1 m
Aperture	128 mm x 84 mm	R = 42 mm
Inter-beam distance	300 mm	300 mm
Field / max. gradient at 175 GeV	54.3 mT	9.9 T/m
Goof field region	$\pm 10$ mm horizontal	R = 10 mm
Field quality	$< 10^{-4}$	$< 10^{-4}$

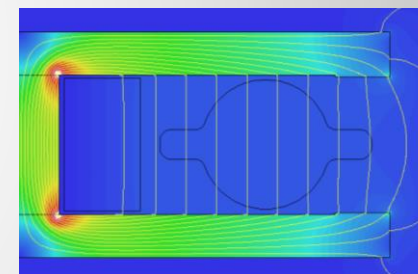
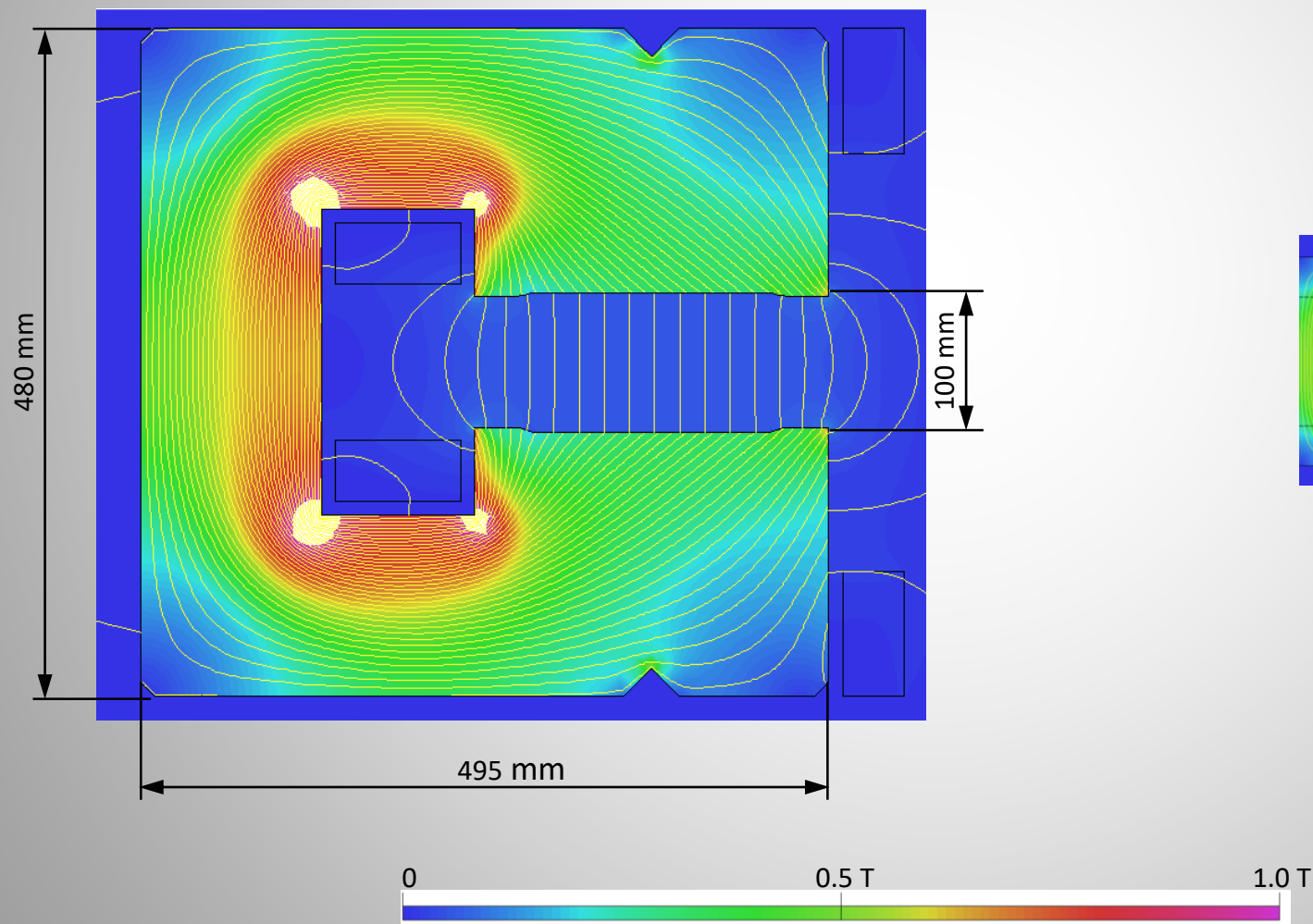


# Recap: LEP dipoles



Using the 'diluted' LEP dipoles for FCC-ee at 54 mT...

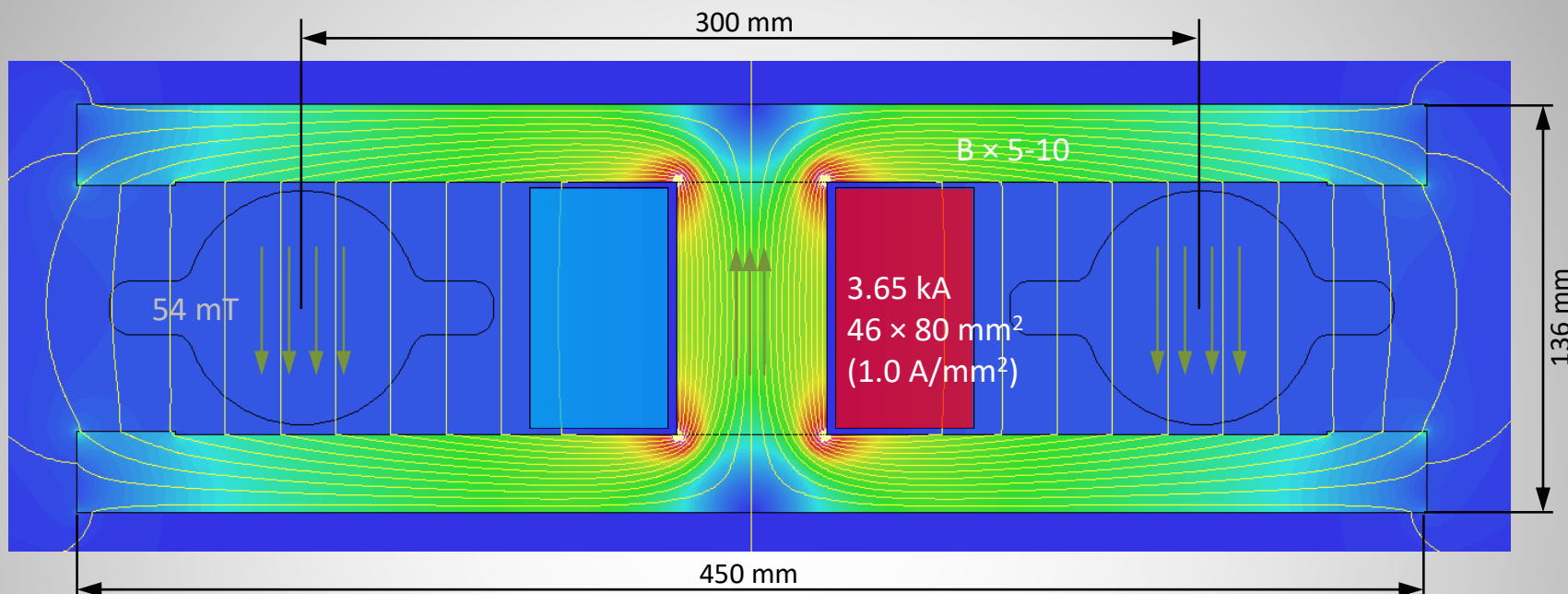
... and a 'non-diluted' alternative design







# FCC-ee Twin dipole design

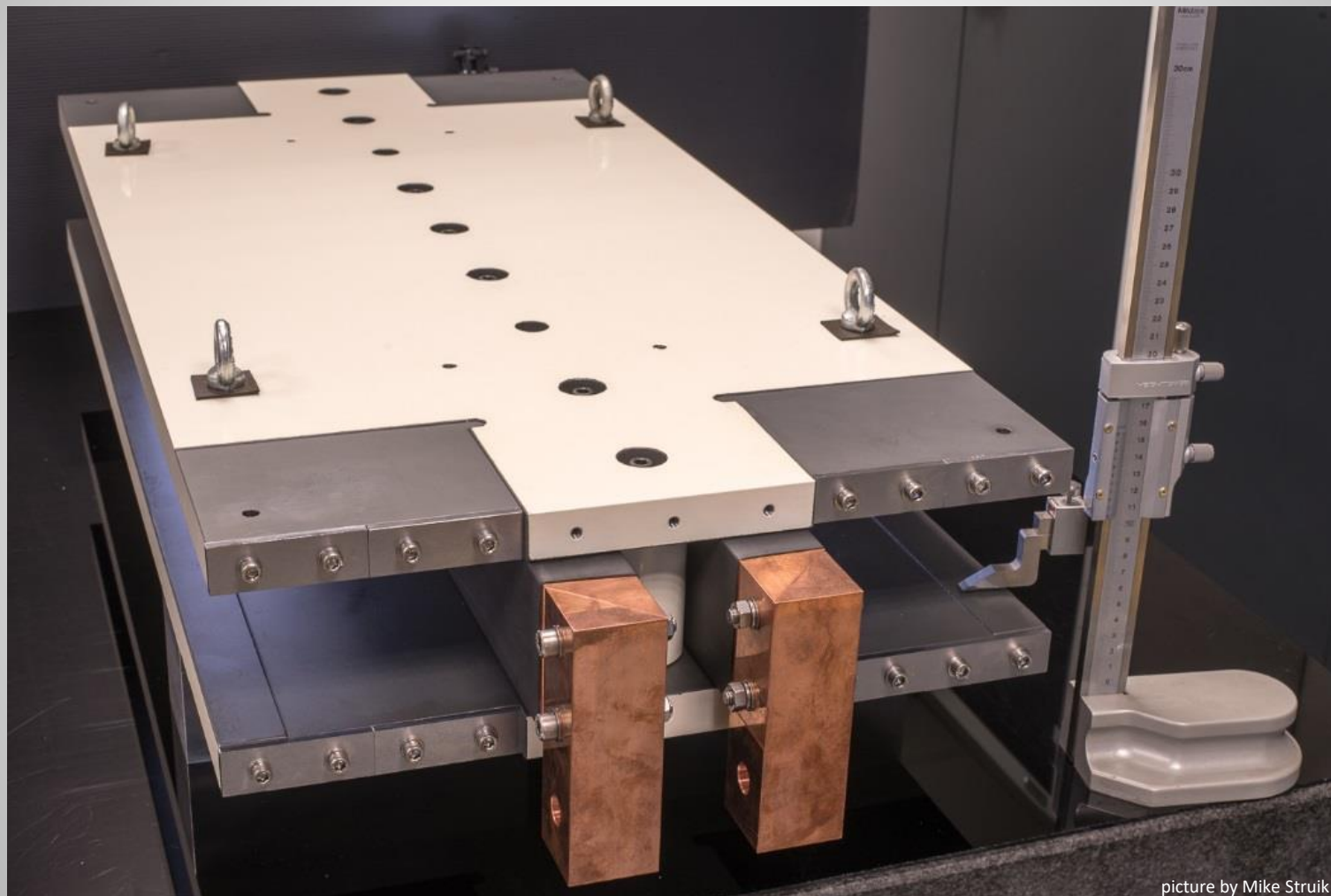


- **Energy saving:** Ampere-turns recycled → **50% less power consumption** (16 MW)
- **Cost saving:** 50% less units to manufacture, transport, install, align
- **Simple:** few components
  - Simple yoke design and coil layout → low manufacturing costs
- **Compact:** small dimensions, less material
  - Yoke: 200 kg/m → total 13500 t (low carbon) steel
  - Coil: 1-turn conductor busbar, 20 kg/m → total 1650 t hollow Al conductor
- **Reliable:** no coil inter-turn insulation & no water cooling needed





# FCC-ee Twin dipole prototype



picture by Mike Struik



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