

Low-energy beam preparation for the next generation antimatter experiments



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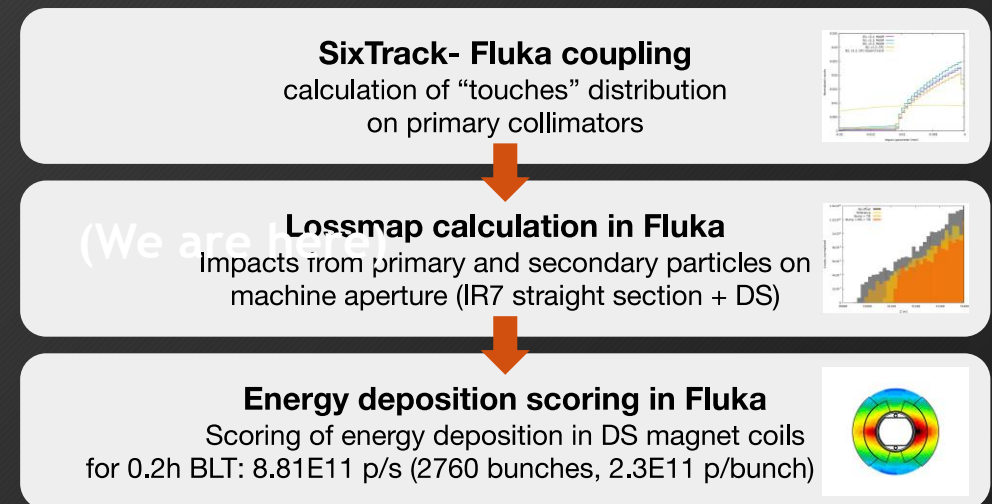
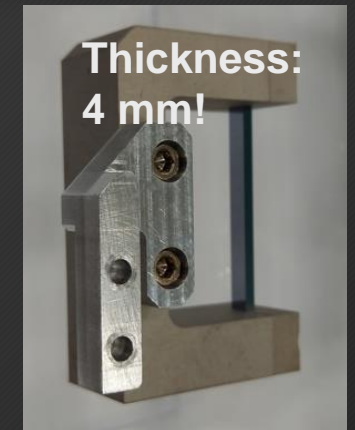
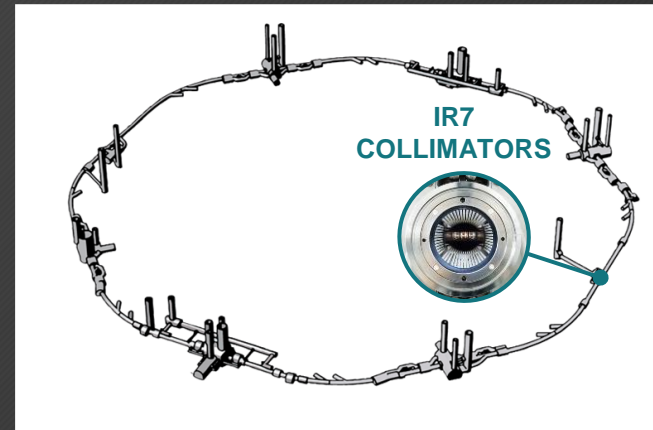
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My current occupation and project

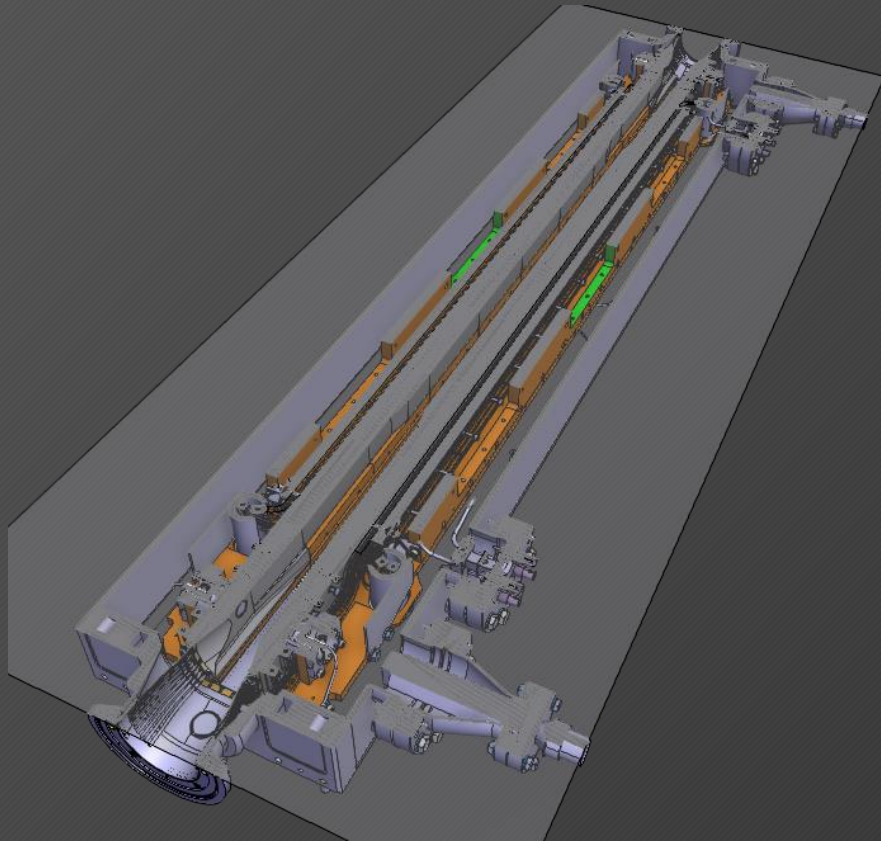
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- Fluka simulation studies of LHC collimation system in view of HL-LHC upgrade
- Protection of superconducting magnets from possible quench
- Ion beam collimation with channeling crystals

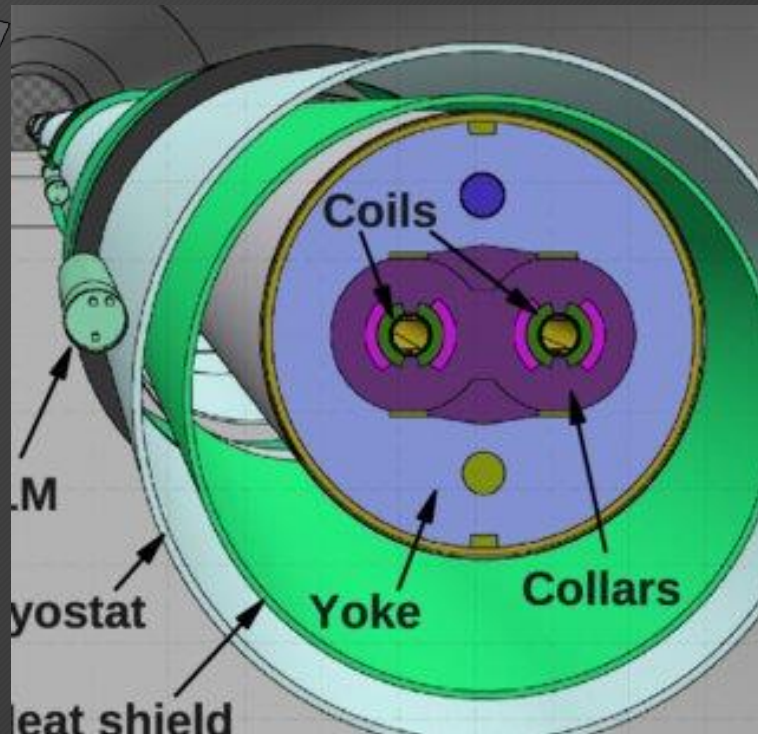


More in details

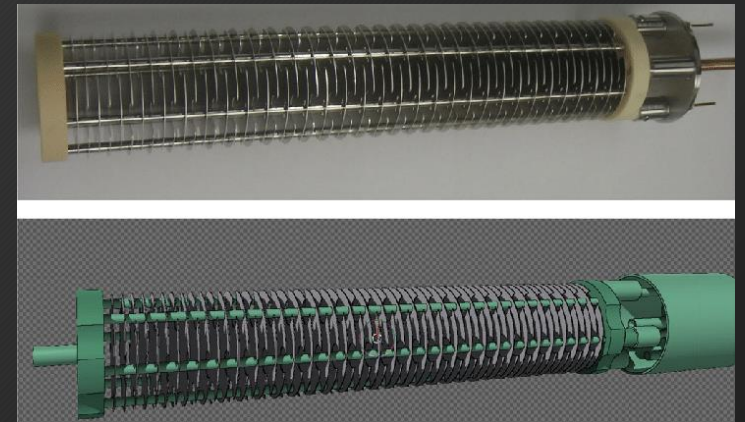
- Collimators



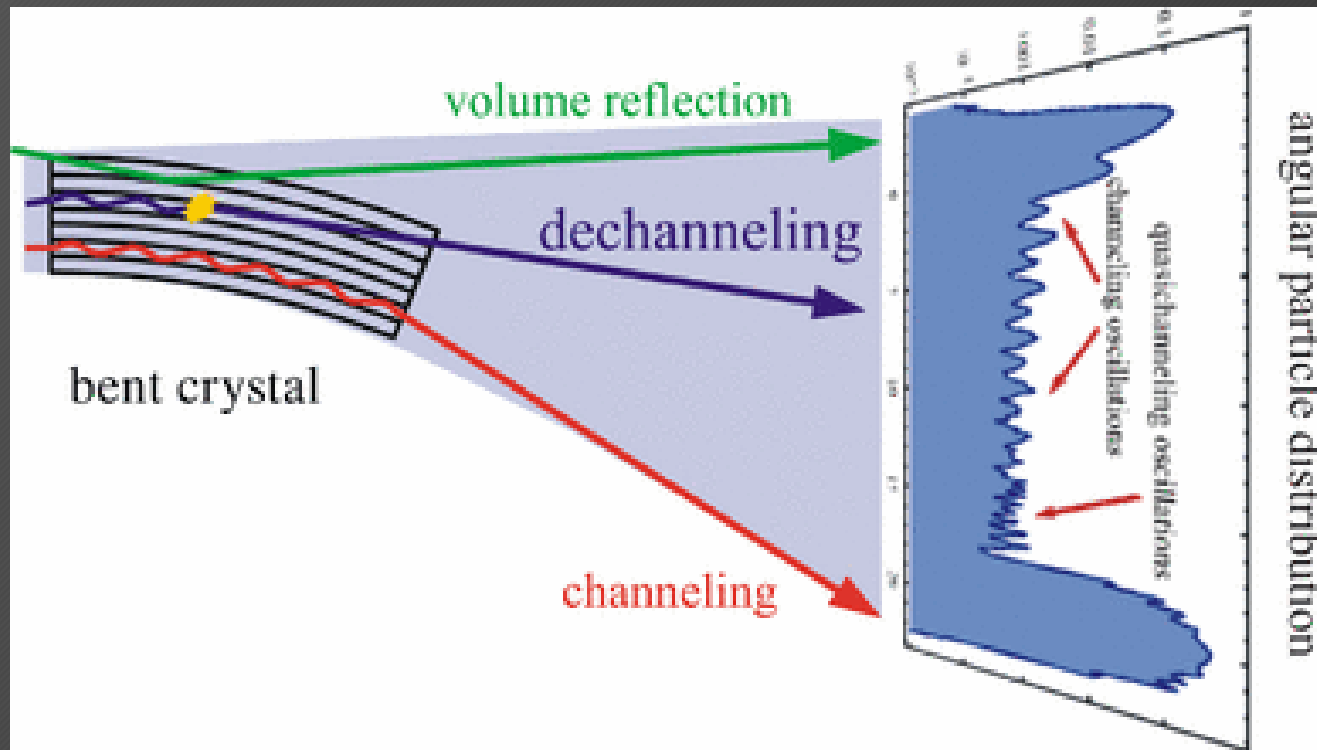
- Superconducting magnets



- BLMs



Crystal channeling and bending



Standard collimation system in LHC

Stored energy in the machine:

- LHC design: **360 MJ**

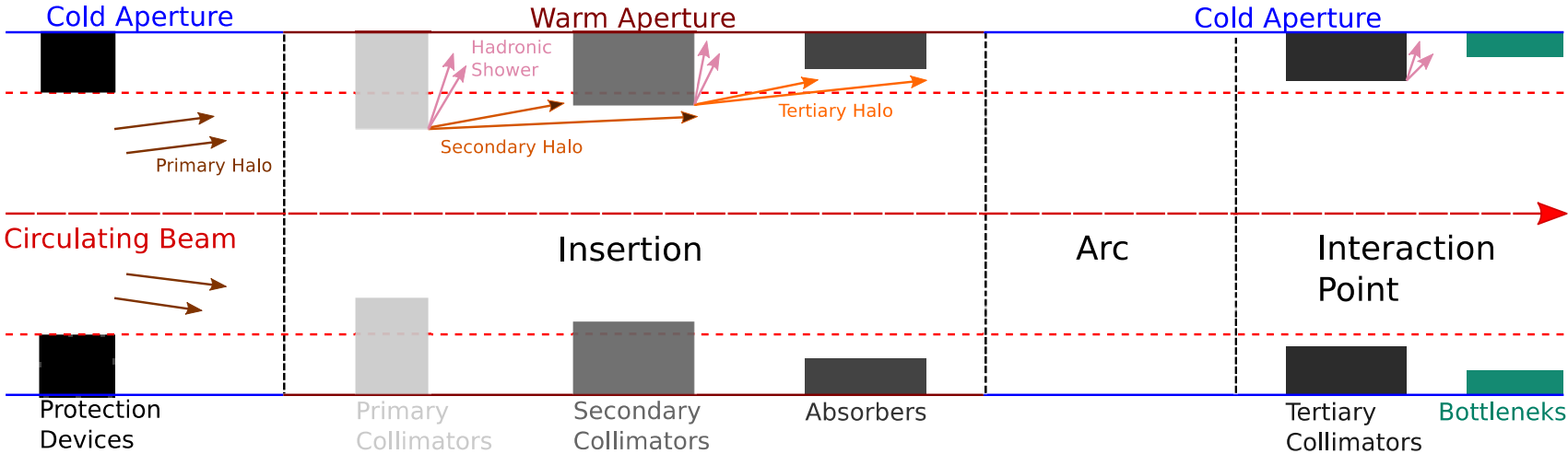
Superconducting magnets (T = 1.9 K)

- quench limit ~ **15-50mJ/cm³**

To protect the superconductive magnets from energy deposition induced by lost particles

Collimation system is needed!

$\eta = 10^{-4}$ is the actual performance in LHC



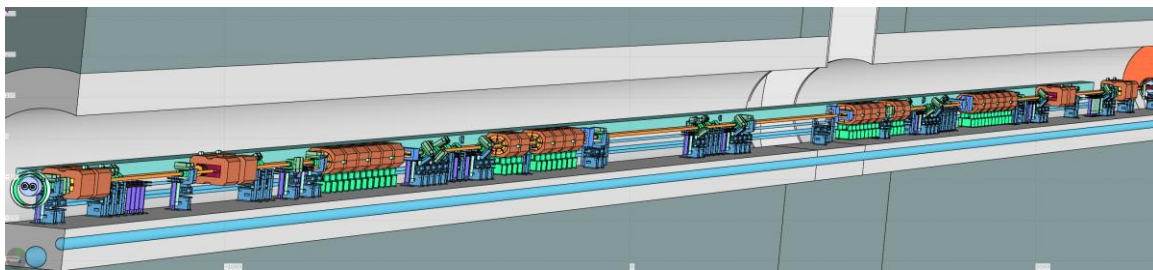
- **Halo cleaning:** reduce the risk of magnet quenches

- **Concentration of losses/activation in controlled areas**

Multi-stage system with ~50 collimators per beam

The cleaning inefficiency with ions drops to 10⁻²!

Power deposition & quench test studies for IP7



Nominal settings: IP7 TCPs/TCSGs/TCLAs: 5 sigma/6.5 sigma/10 sigma

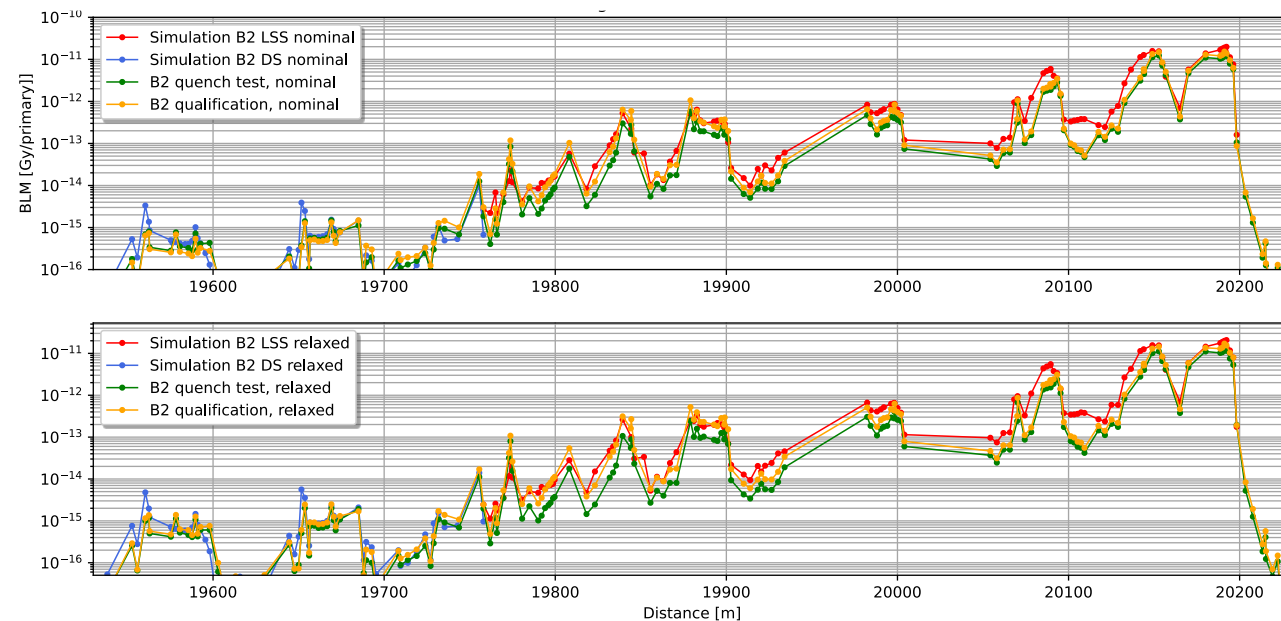
Qualification test power loss: 5.5 kW

Quench test power loss: 650 kW

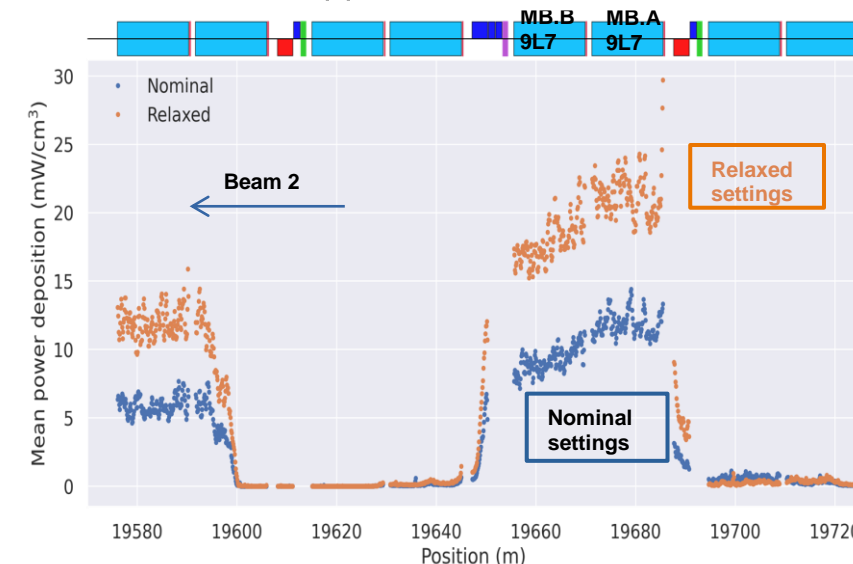
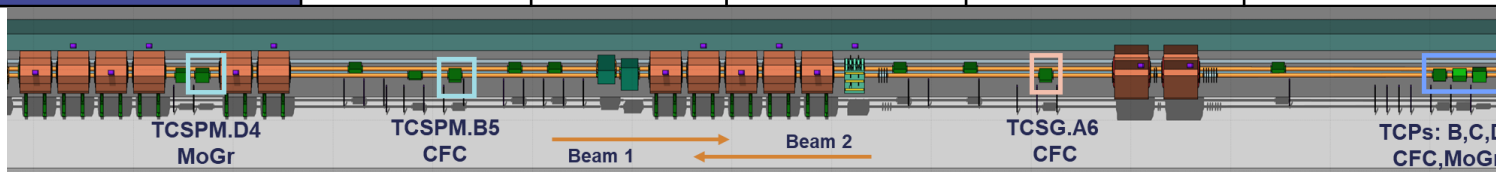
Relaxed settings: IP7 TCPs/TCSGs/TCLAs: 5 sigma/8.5 sigma/10 sigma

Qualification test power loss: 4.8 kW

Quench test power loss: 620 kW



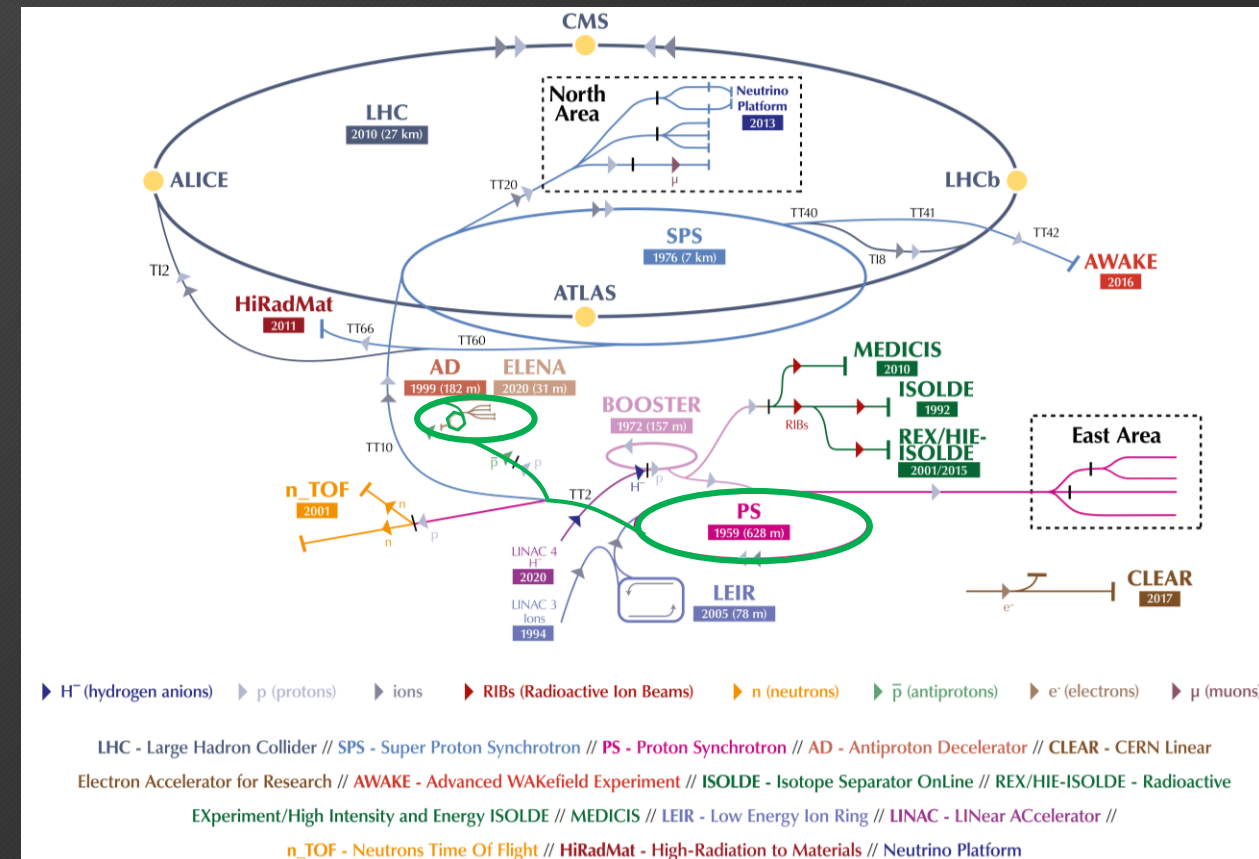
Simulation study	TCPPM.C6, J1/2 (full), kW	TCP.B6 J1/2 (full), kW	TCSG.A6 J1/2 (full), kW	TCSPM J1/2 (full), kW	TCSPM Mo coating PPDD, W/cm ³
A.Waets 2020, B1, (HL-LHC baseline)	4.25/4.13 (23.5) MoGr	10.12/10.0 8 (42.5) CFC	5.8/5.27 (28.1) CFC	5.03/3.75 (19) MoGr B5	175 B5
V.Rodin 2022, B2, (LHC today, depicted)	4.5/4.07 (23.6) MoGr	10.33/10.0 3(42.52) CFC	5.53/5.09 (26.65) CFC	1.95/1.92 (8.03) MoGr D4	72 D4



HL-LHC baseline losses ~1MW (0.2h BLT, 8.81E11 p/s)

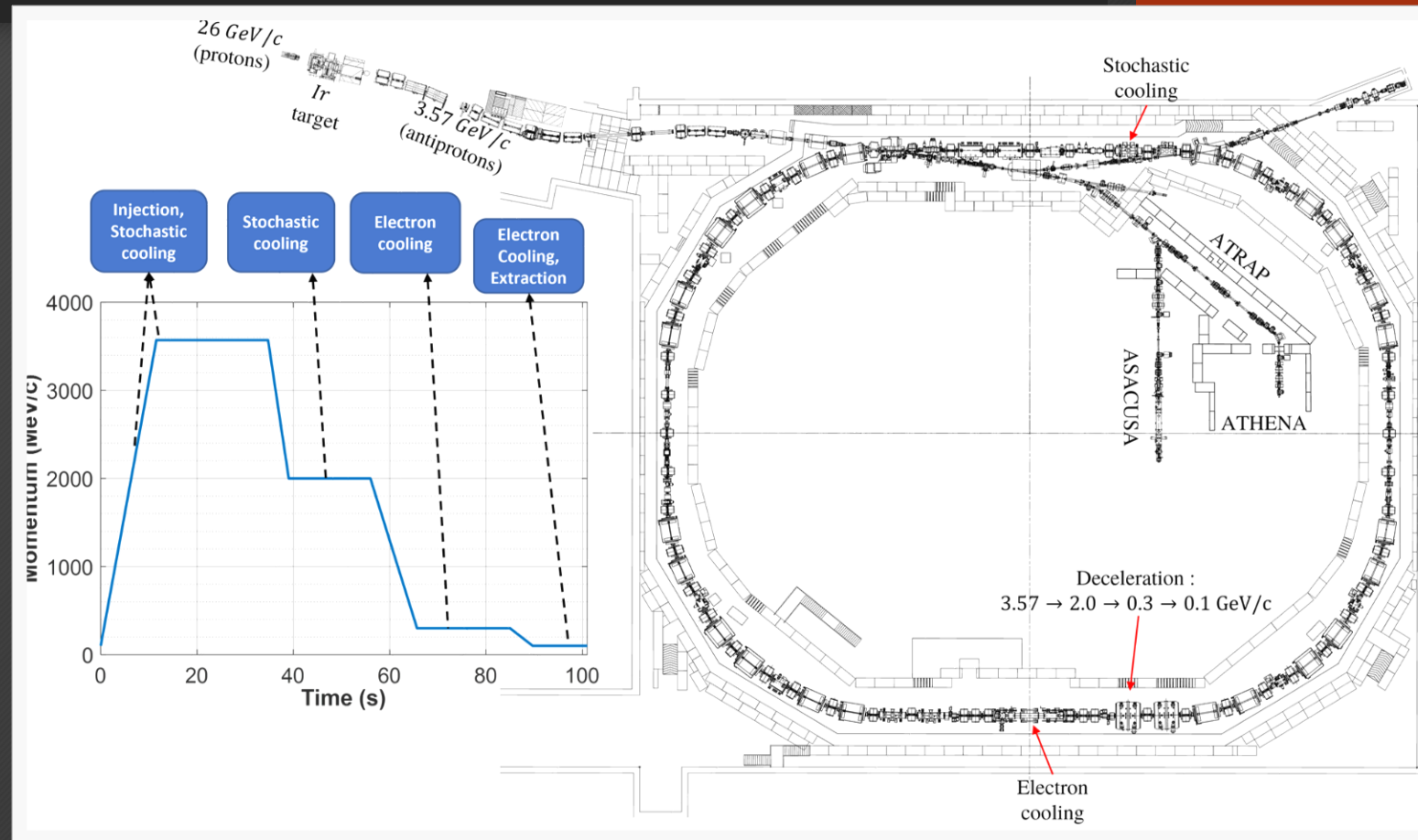
Availability of antimatter worldwide (and low-energy antiprotons)

- CERN's Antimatter factory is the only place providing access to low-energy antiprotons
- Production of antiprotons using a fixed target
- Plans about FLAIR project at FAIR in GSI were postponed
- Any ideas how we can change this?



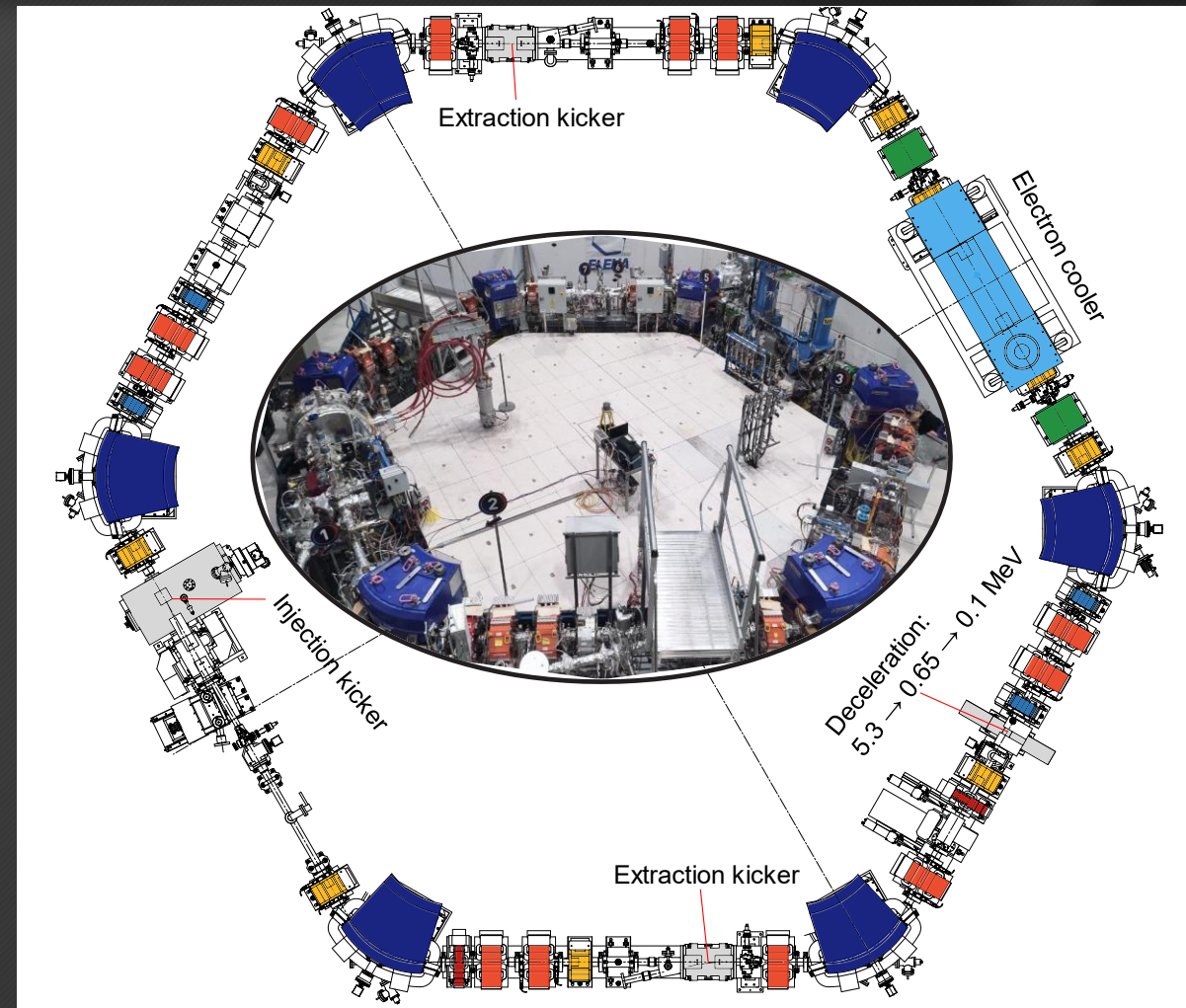
Antiproton Decelerator

- Deceleration of produced protons down to 5.3 MeV/c
- Better beam quality
- First efficient trapping of antiprotons by ATRAP, ATHENA and ASACUSA
- However, the capture efficiency was still below 1 % !!!

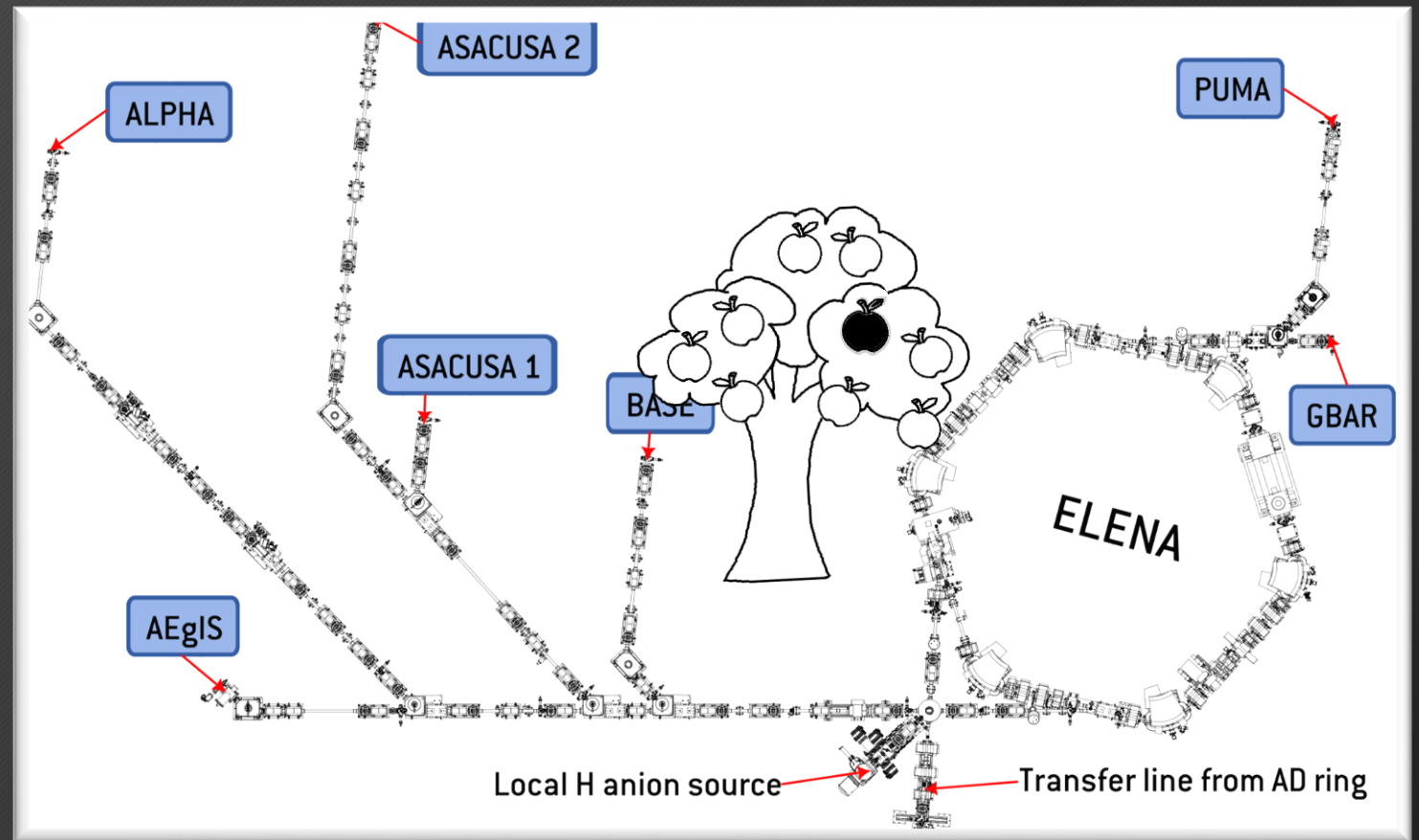
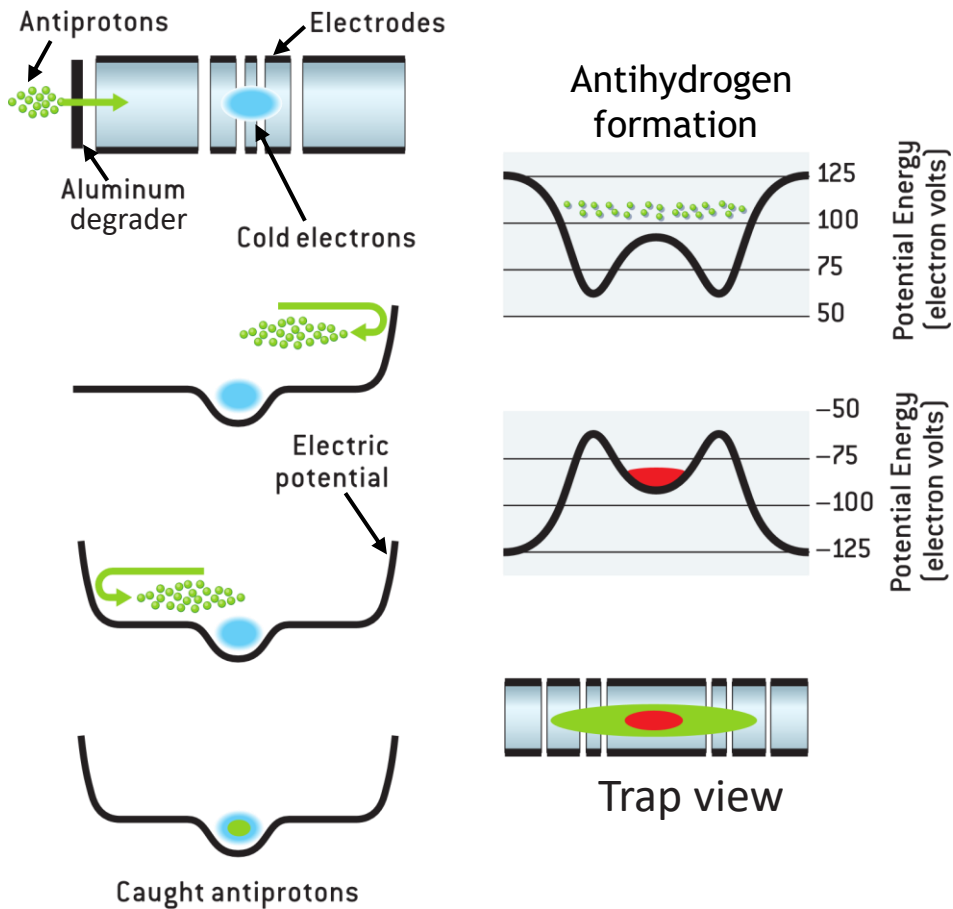


Extra Low ENergy Antiproton ring

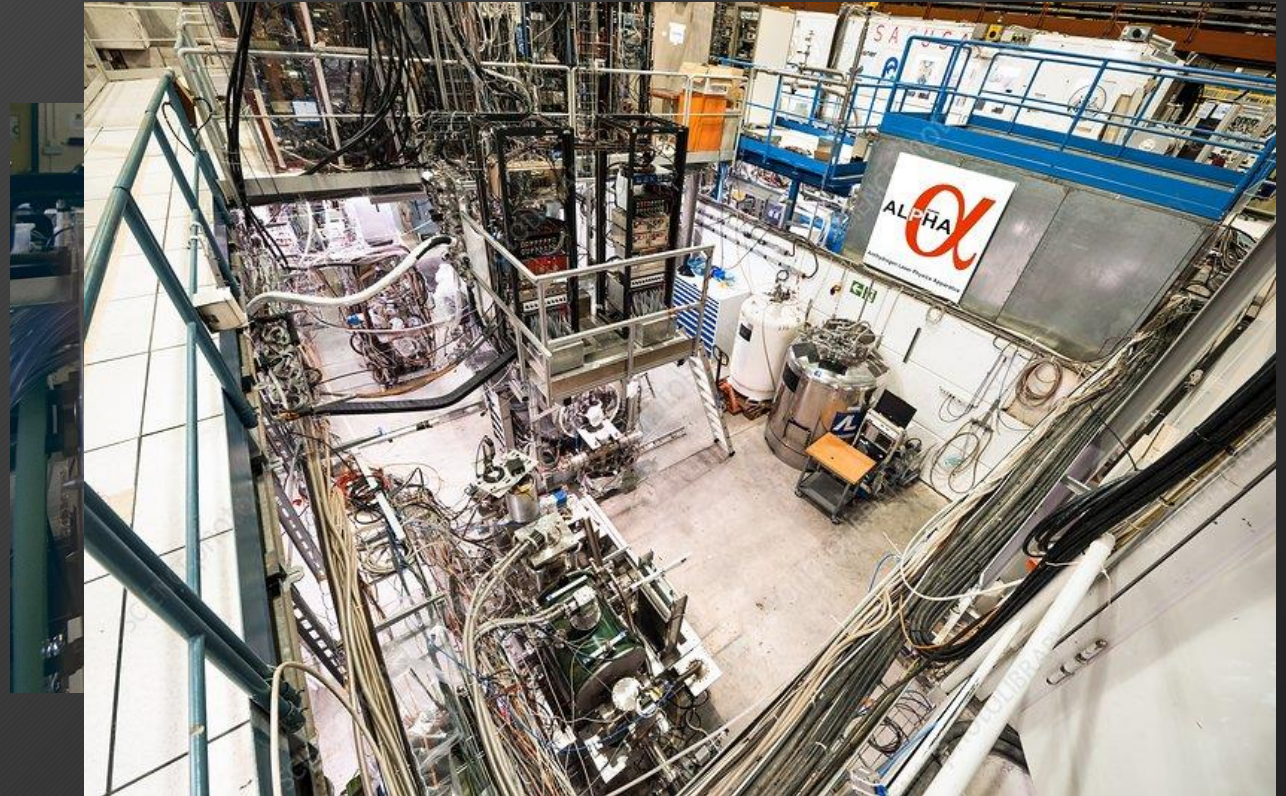
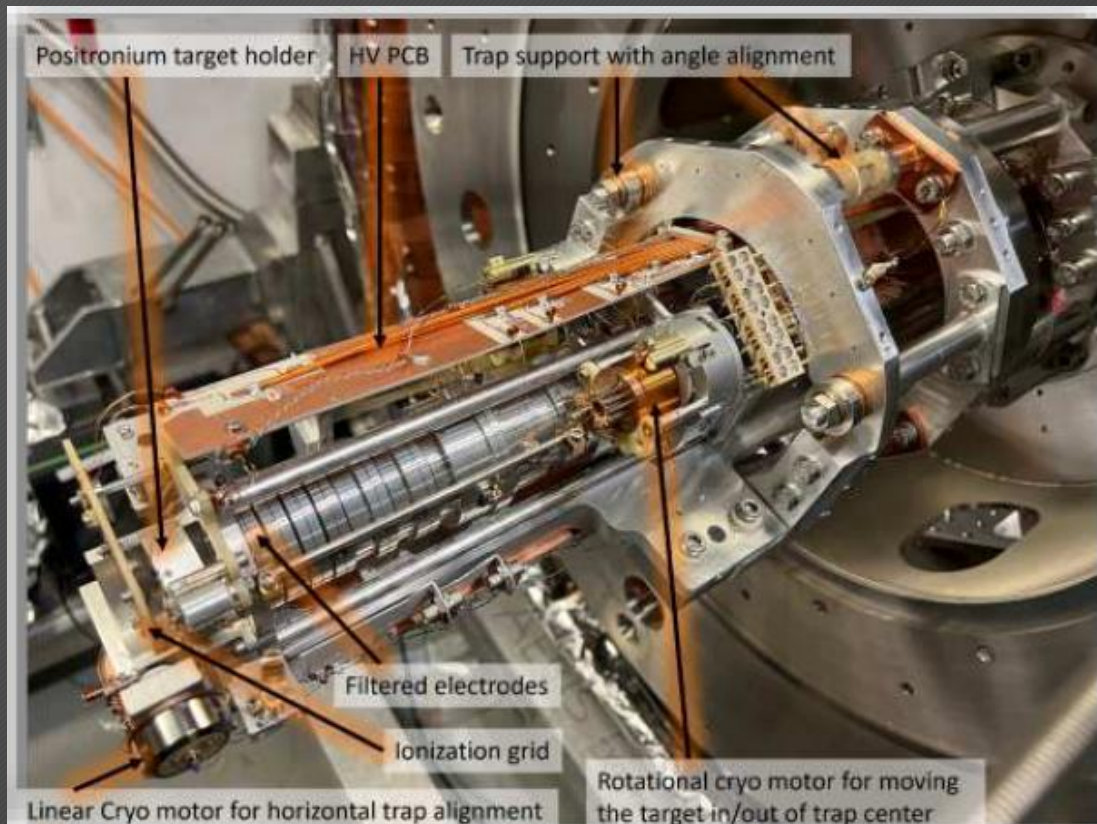
- Beam extracted from AD to ELENA
- Further decelerates antiprotons from 5.3 MeV to 0.1 MeV
 - Thinner degrader foils
 - Increased quality and intensity of antiproton bunches received in traps
 - Improved trapping efficiency by factor of 10-100
 - Emittance: 2.5 mm mrad
 - Bunch length: 75-100 ns
 - Total intensity: 3×10^7



Antiproton experiments and particle traps

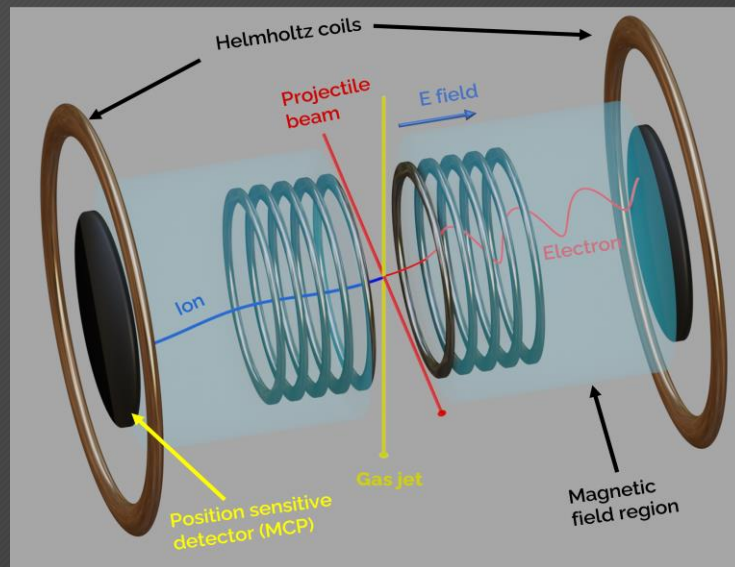
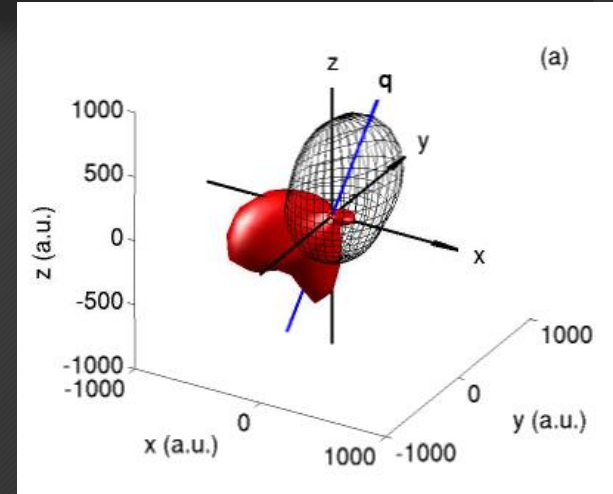


Antimatter experiments

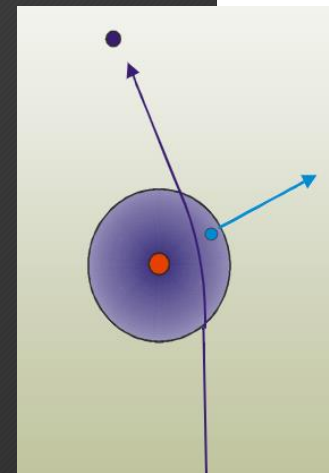


New ~~old~~ ideas: many-body Coulomb problem and differential cross-sections as a theory benchmark

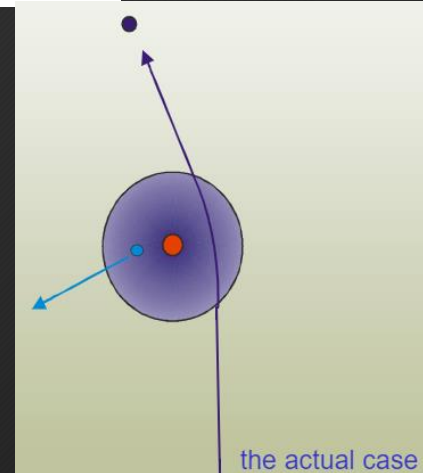
- Difference between Born approximation and proposed theory
- Possible elements for study atomic and molecular H and He
- Some of the ideas suggest production of attosecond electromagnetic pulses
- Requires ~ns antiproton pulses for high precision



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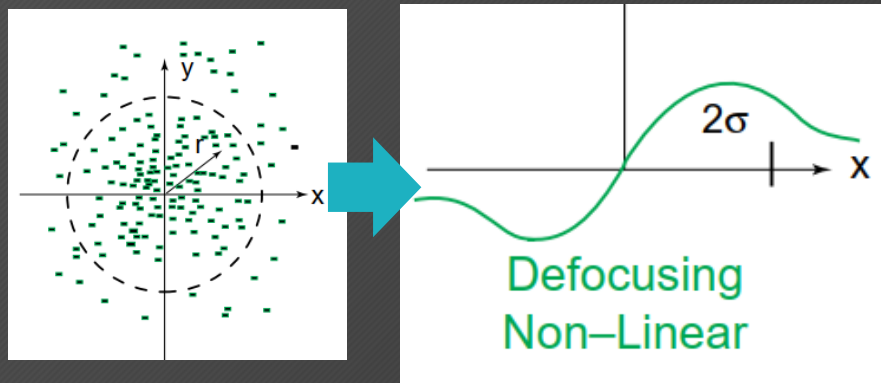


M. McGovern 2009, Phys. Rev A

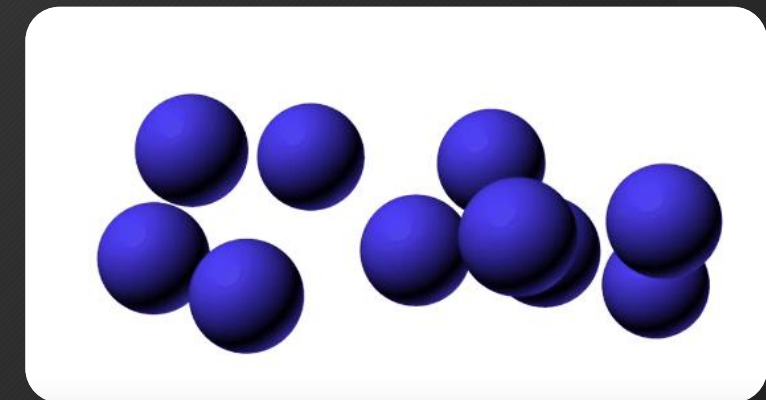
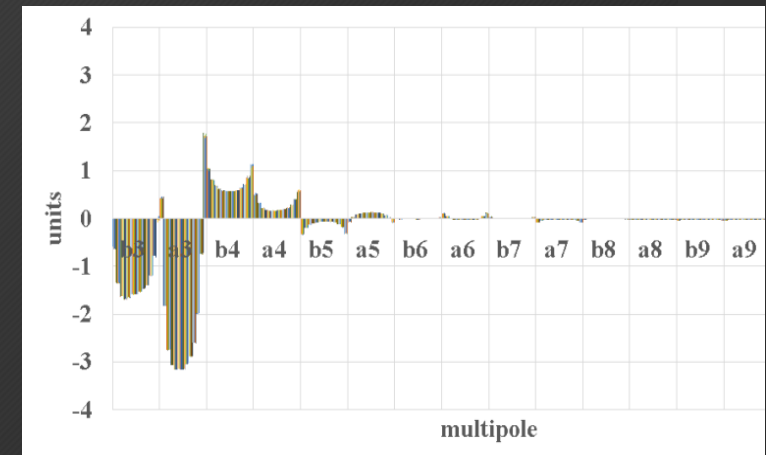
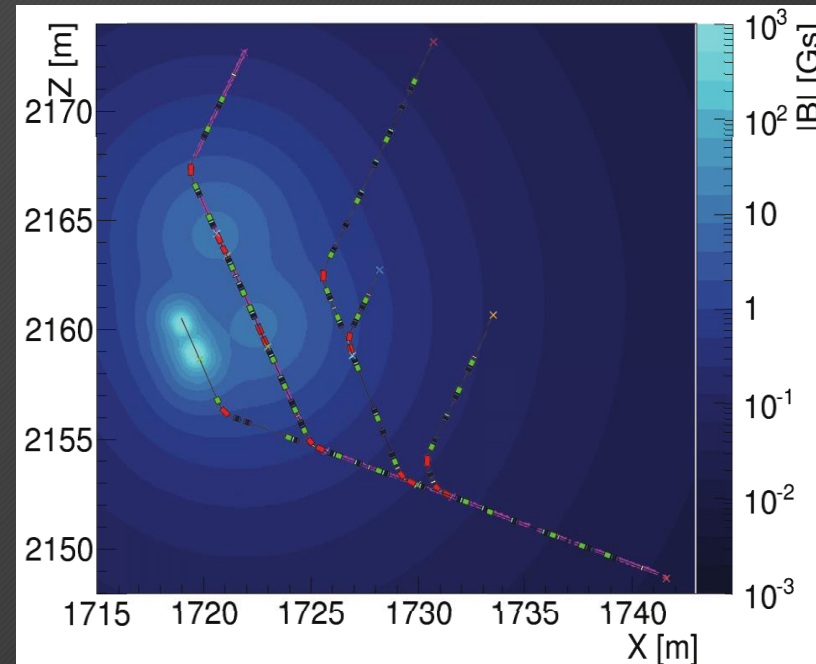
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Main challenges

- Element imperfections
- Magnetic stray field
- Collective effects
- Vacuum quality

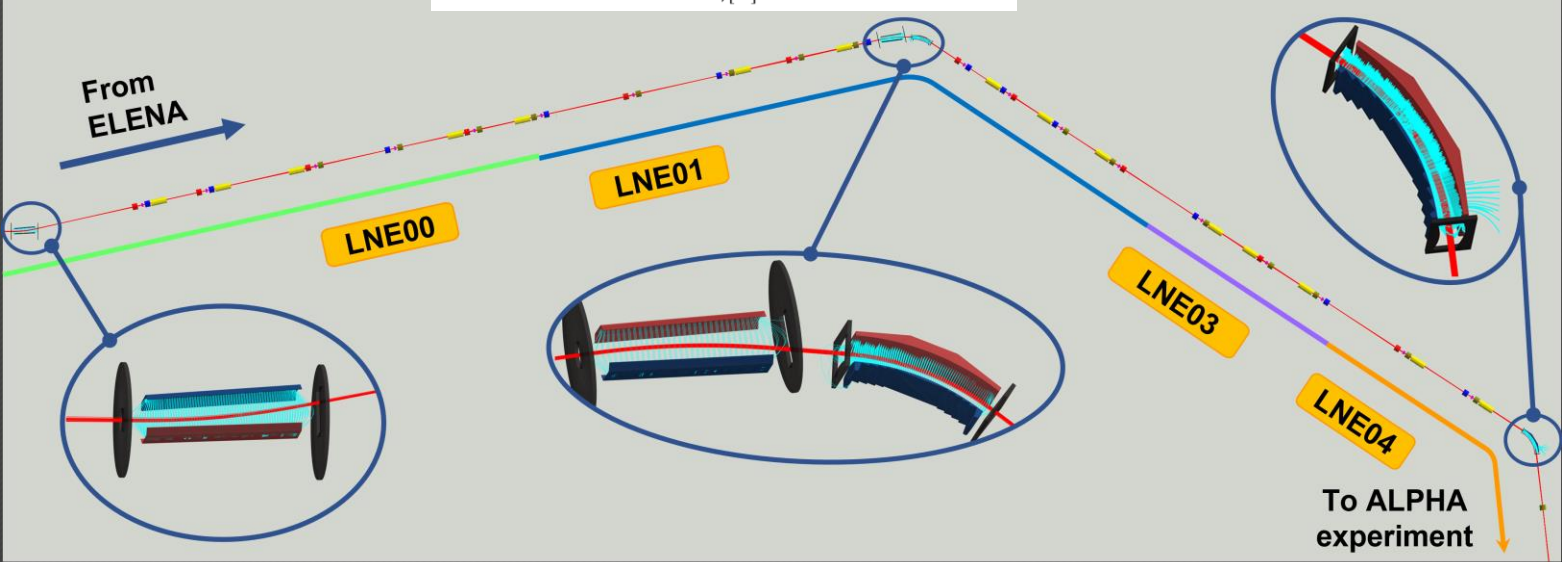
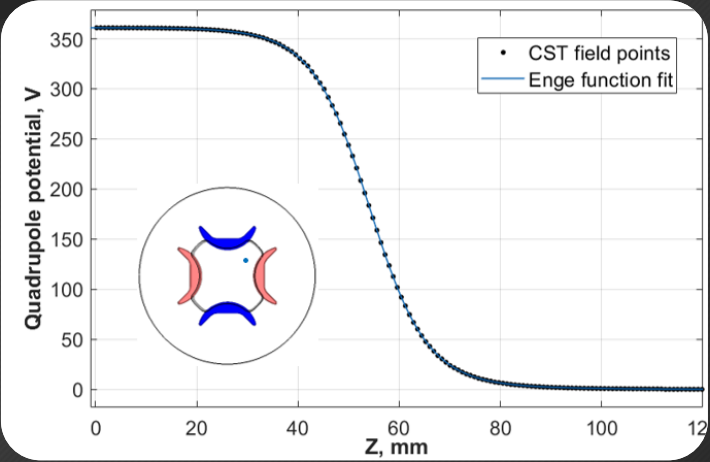
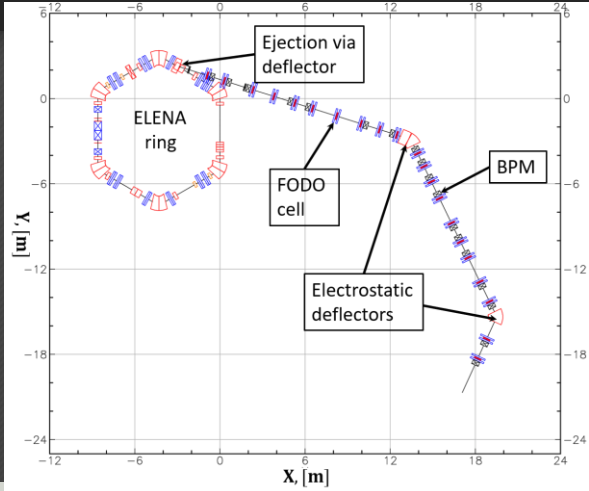
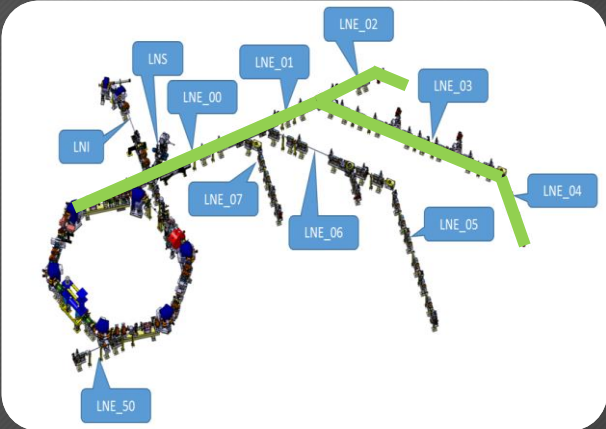


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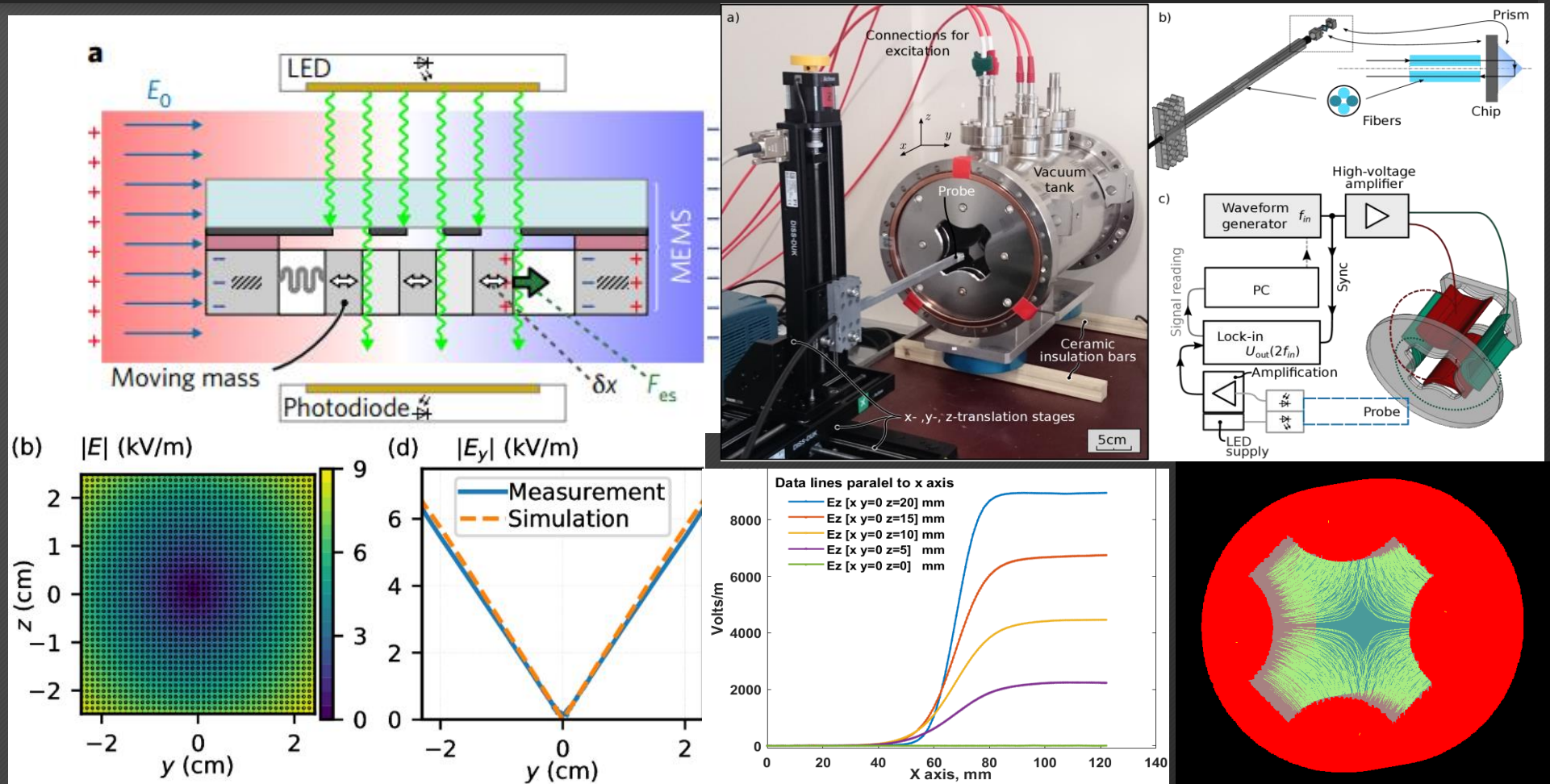
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3D tracking studies: ALPHA and AEgIS transfer lines in G4beamline and BMAD



Electrostatic quadrupole 3D field mapping

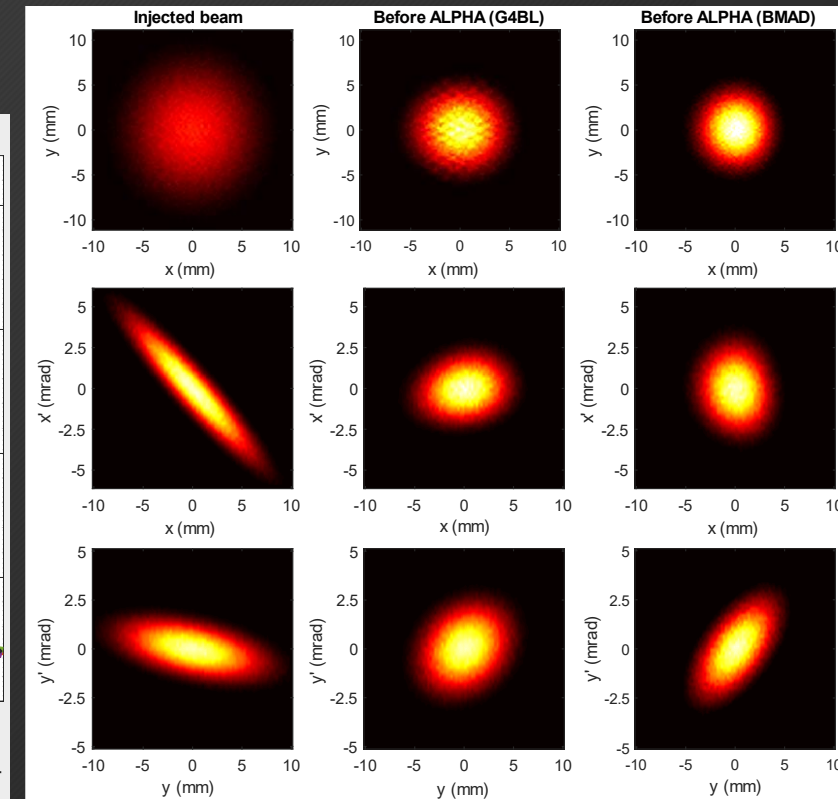
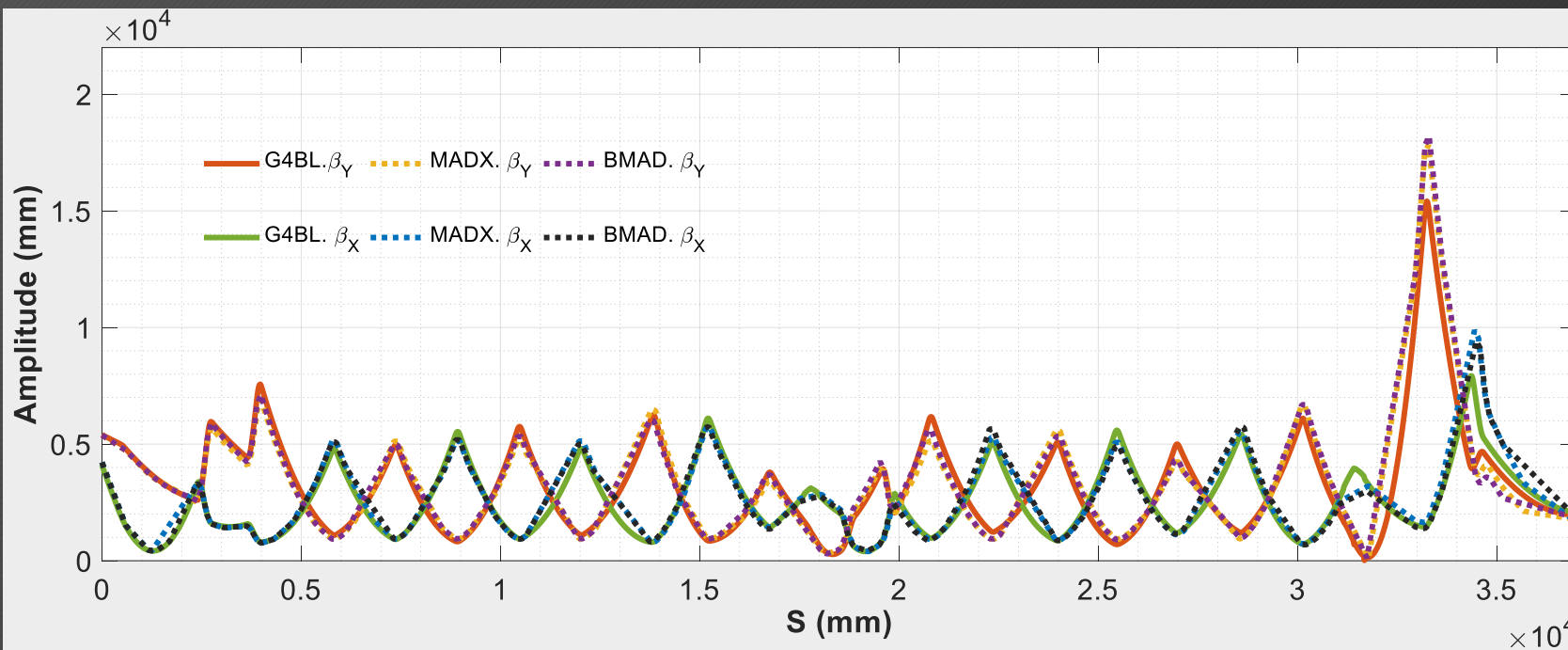
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Benchmark against baseline simulations: ALPHA line

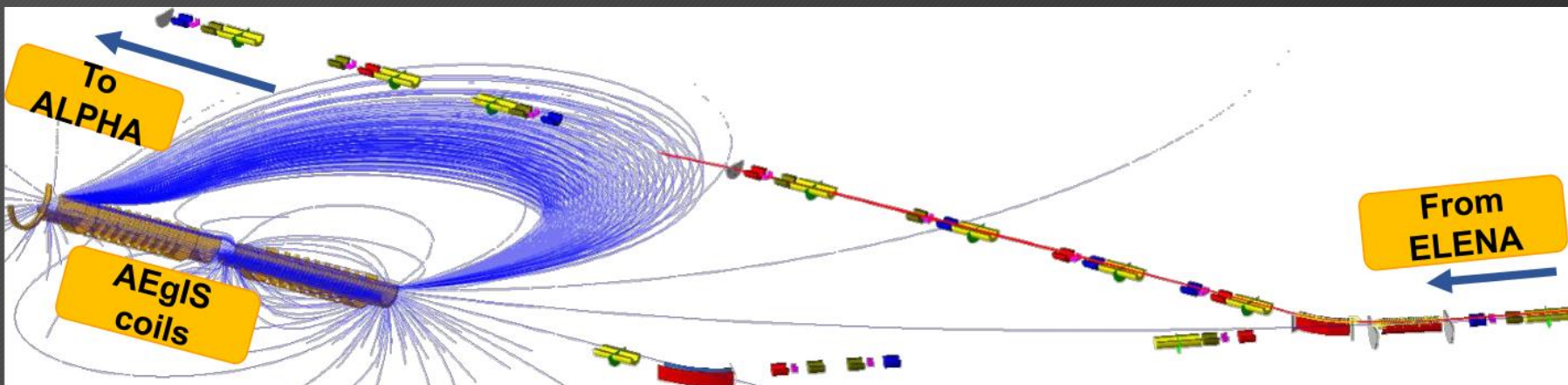
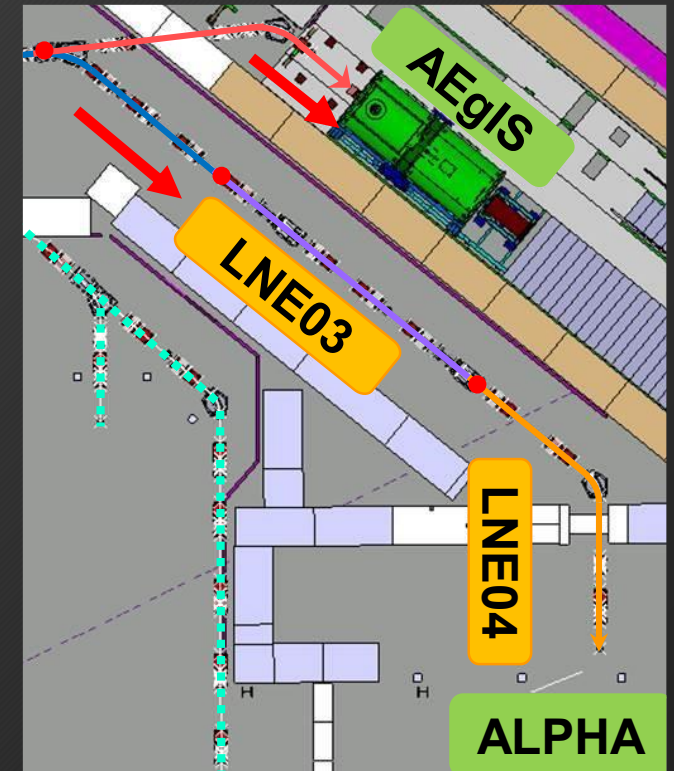
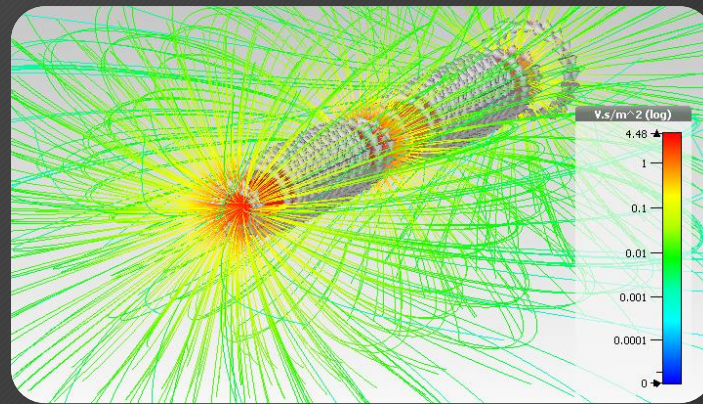
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- A small discrepancy at the end due to impact of quadrupole fringe fields and non-identical simulations of electrostatic deflectors



Impact of magnetic stray fields from AEgIS line

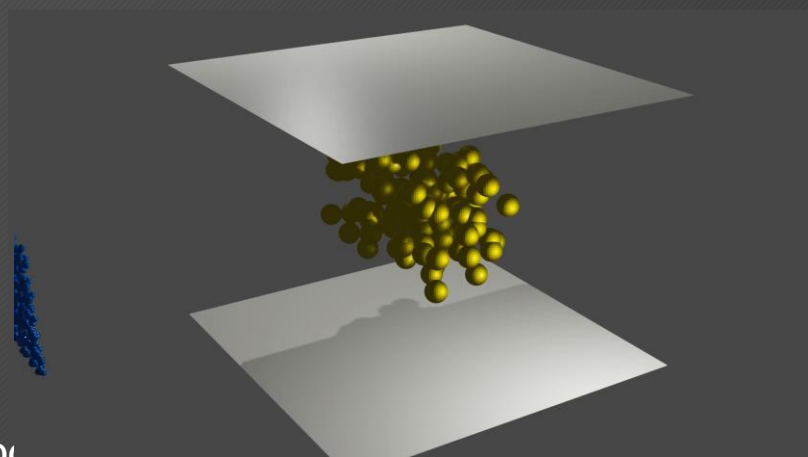
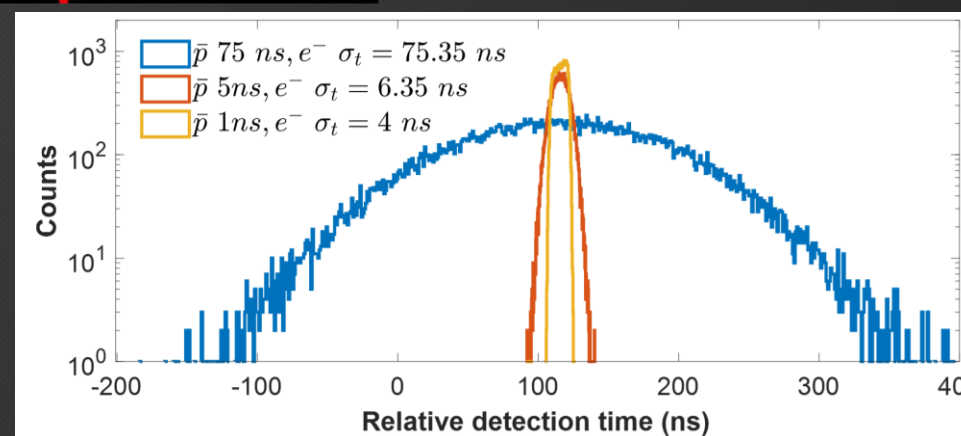
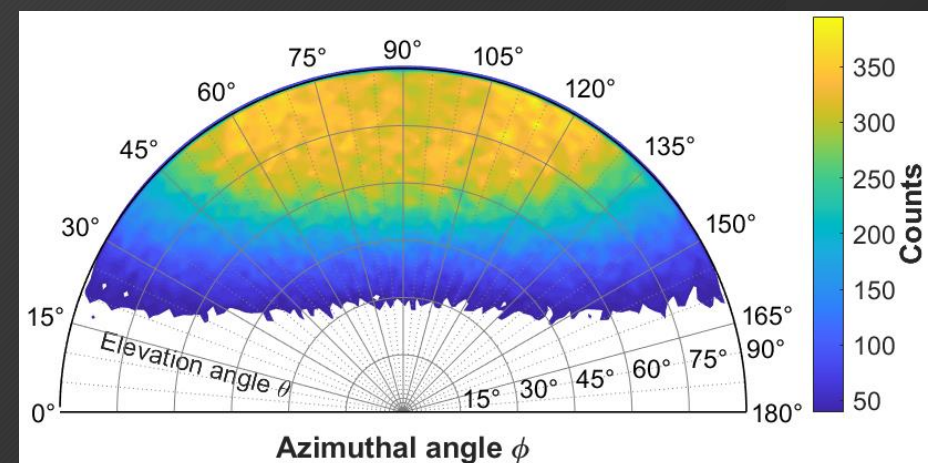
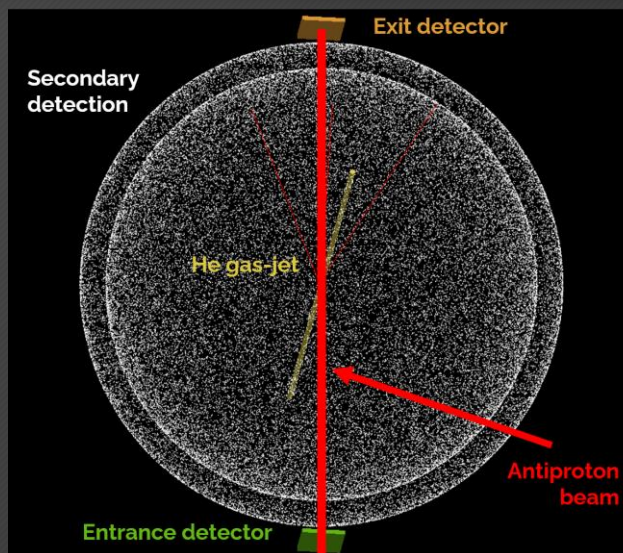
- Low energy antiprotons (100 keV) are quite easily deflected by low amplitude magnetic field ~5 Gauss of 4 m length
- This problem can be fixed with beam line shielding or extra kicks from corrector elements



Ideal gas-target conditions: rough estimation in Geant4: impact of bunch length

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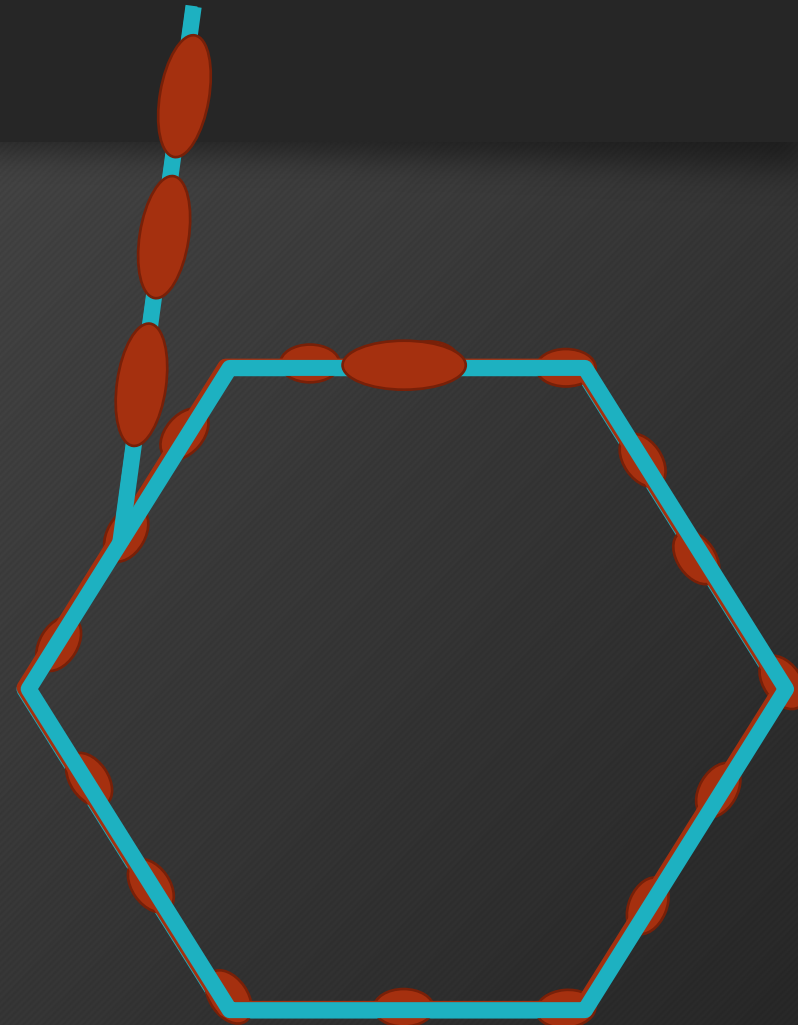
- $N \sim 10^{14}$ atoms/m³ (He gas jet target)
- 2σ beam = jet width
- Ionization cross-section ~ 64 Mb
- Reaction rates $\sim 10^9$ per second



Impact of collective effects: Alternative mitigation

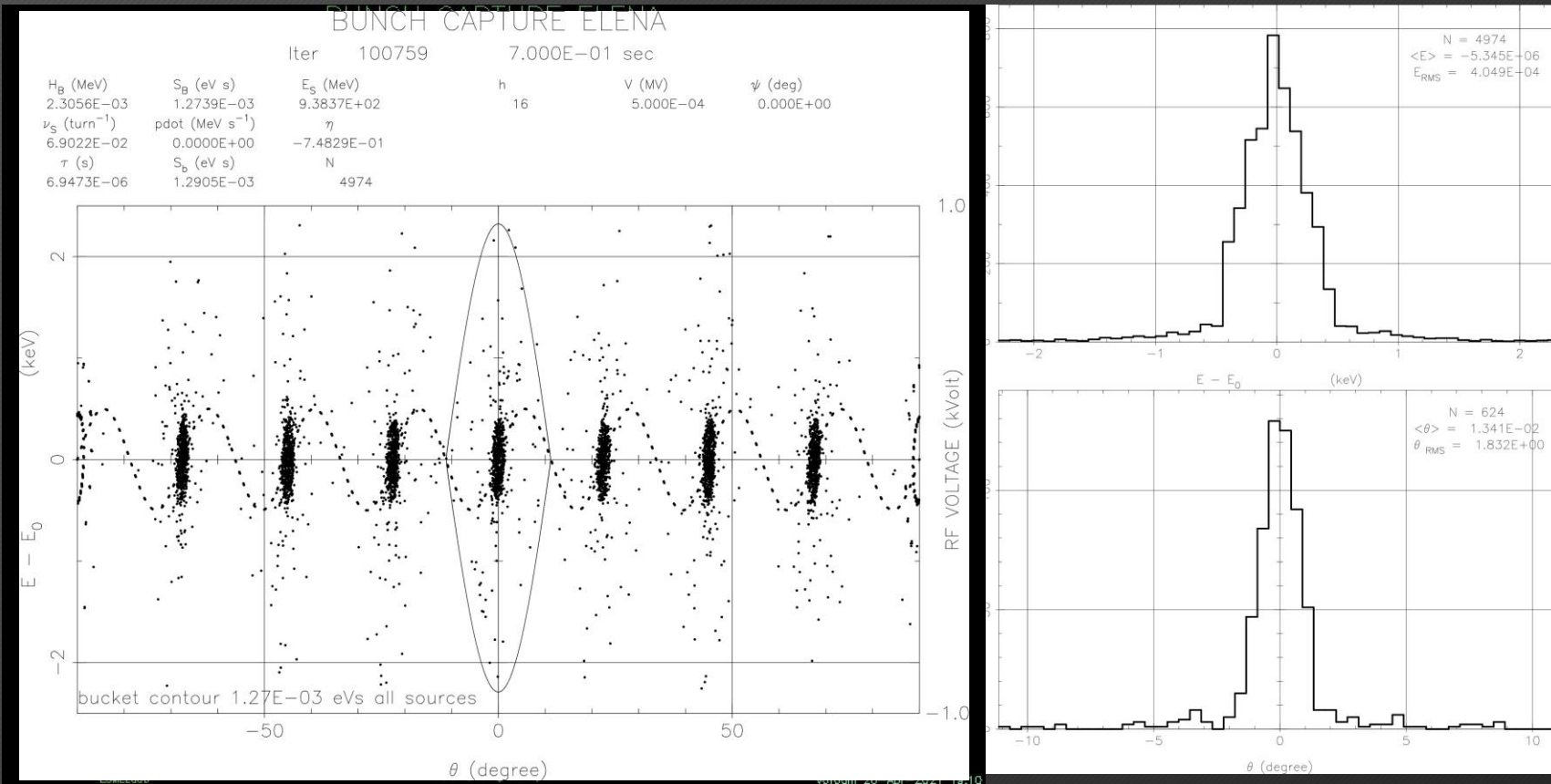
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- Decrease in bunch population is required by factor >10
- Compression by de-bunching and re-bunching could solve the problem
- Adiabatic bunching with $h > 10$ or bunch splitting (no possibility)



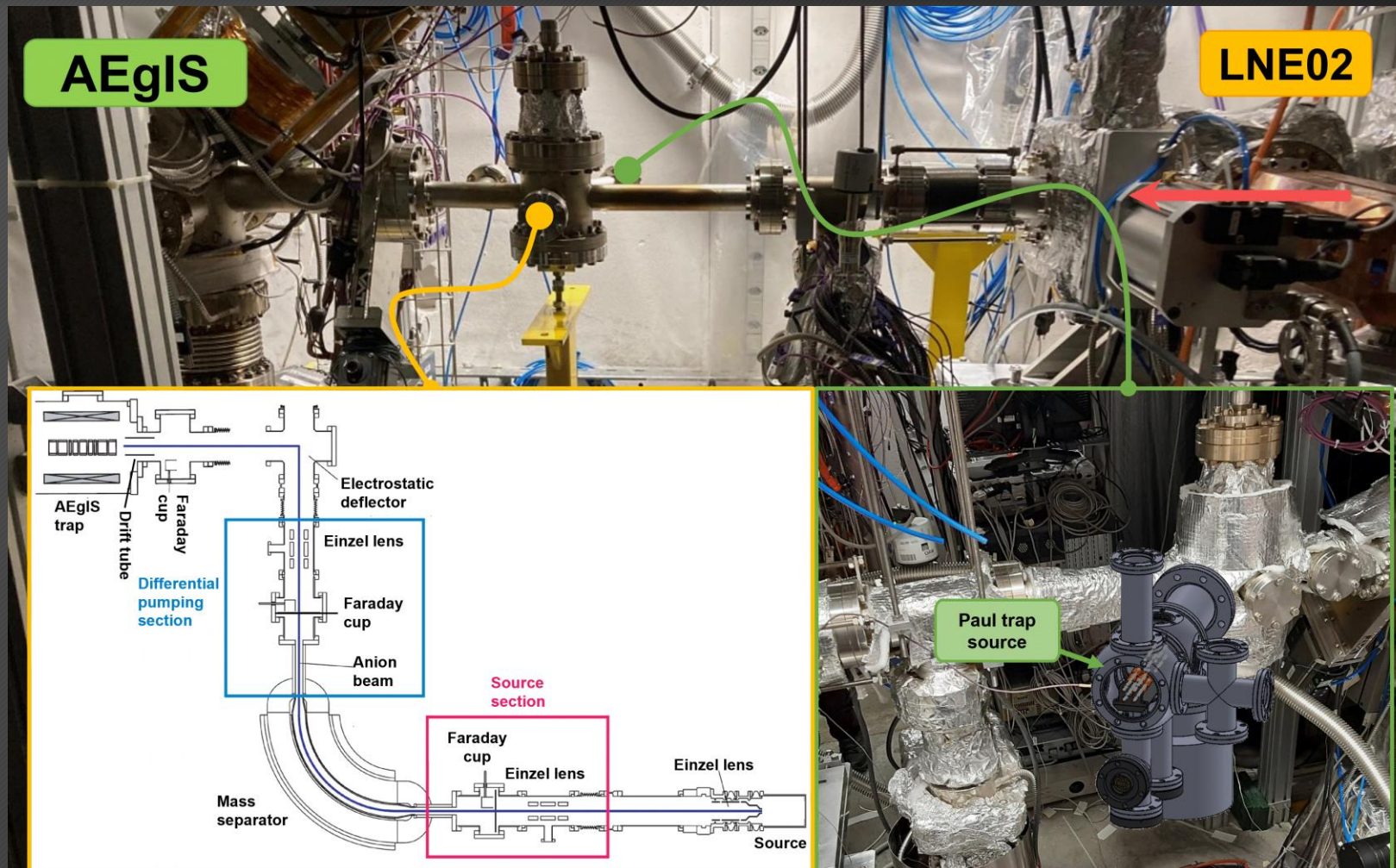
Impact of collective effects: re-bunching

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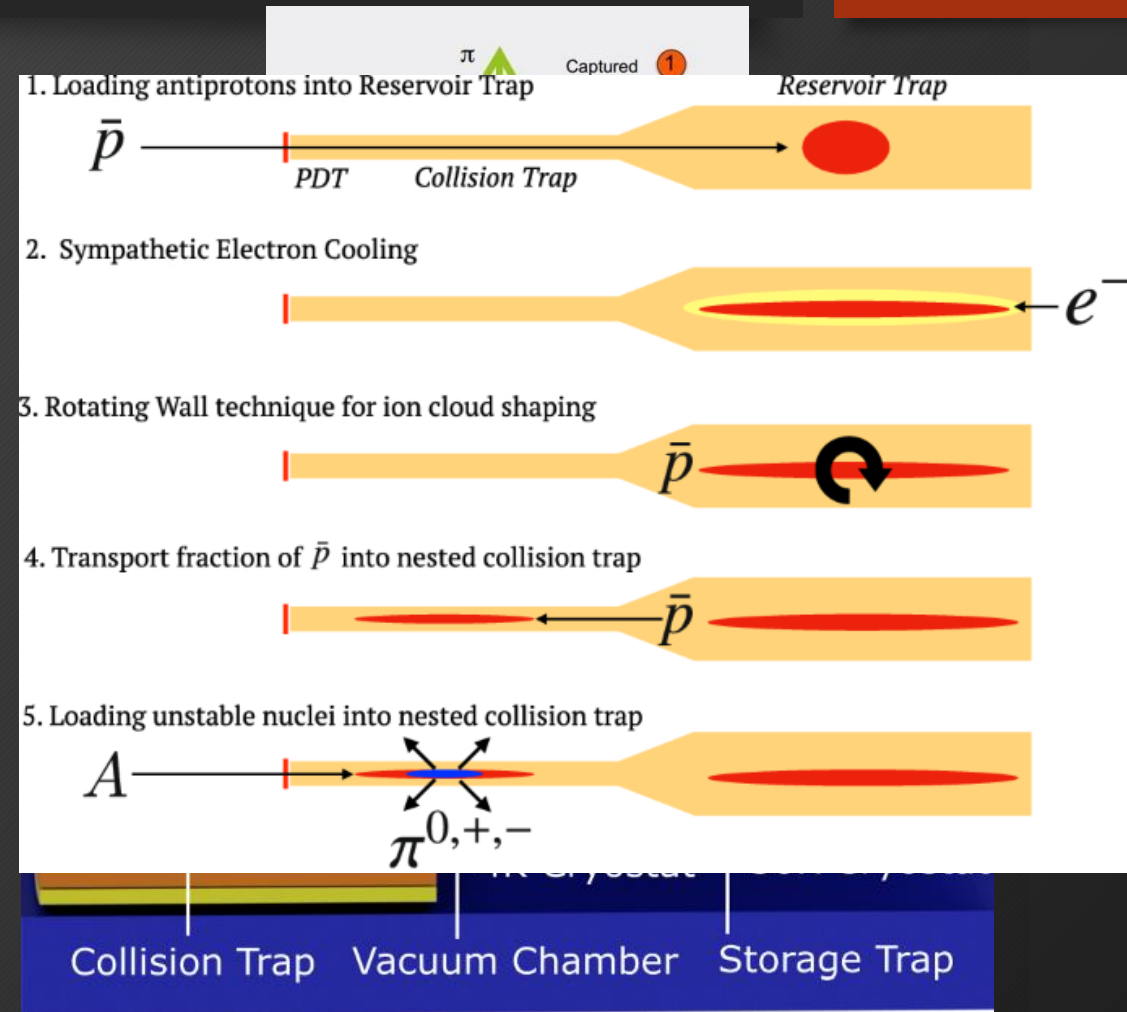
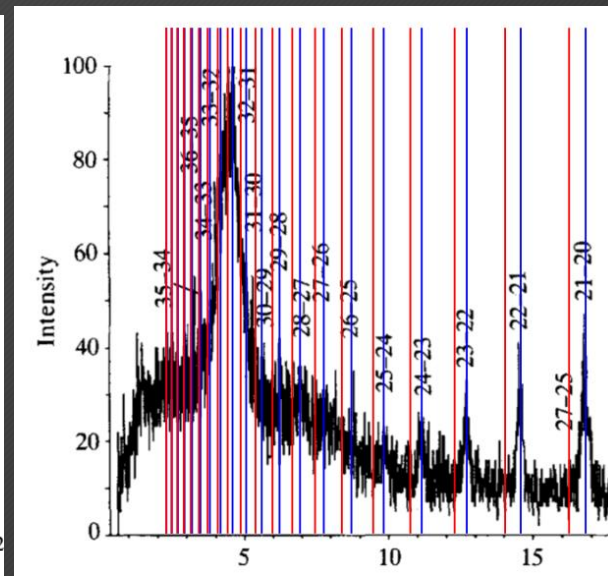
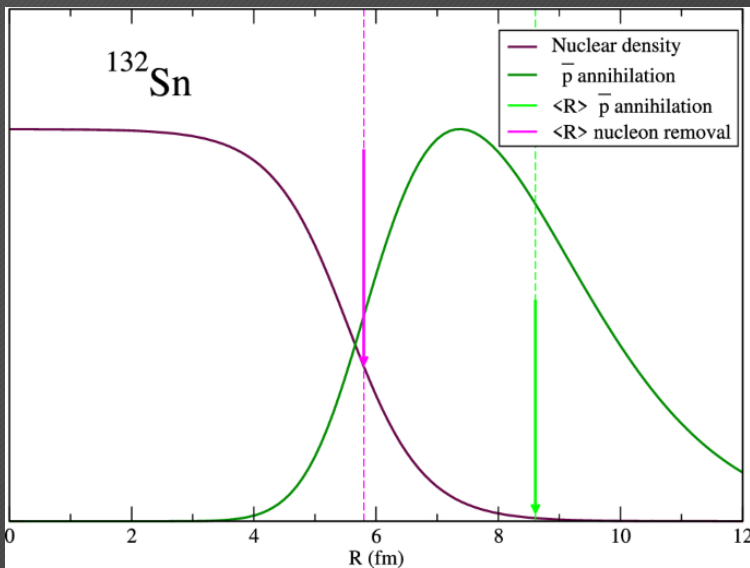
Antiprotonic atoms at AEGIS experiment

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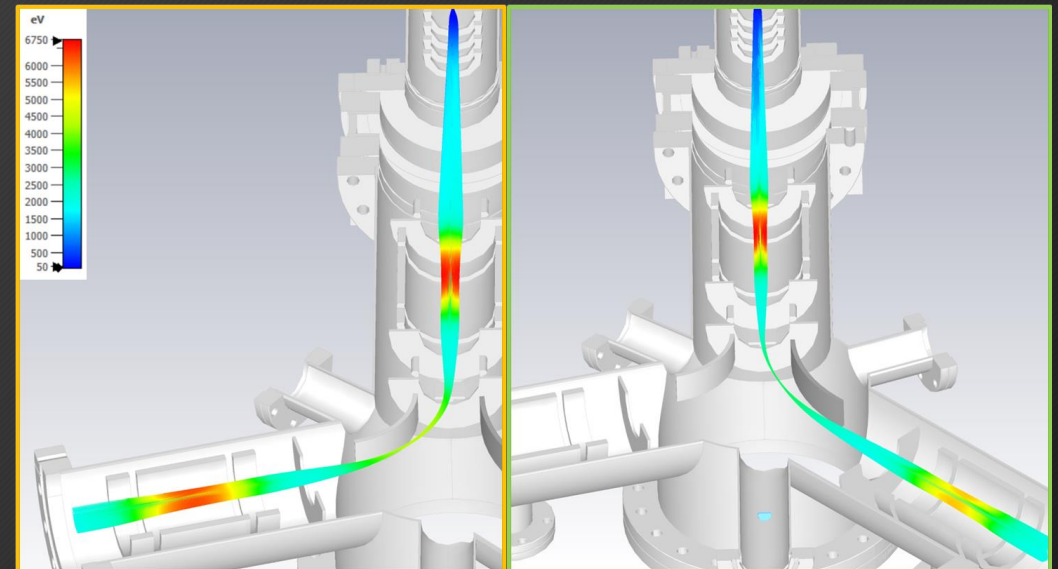
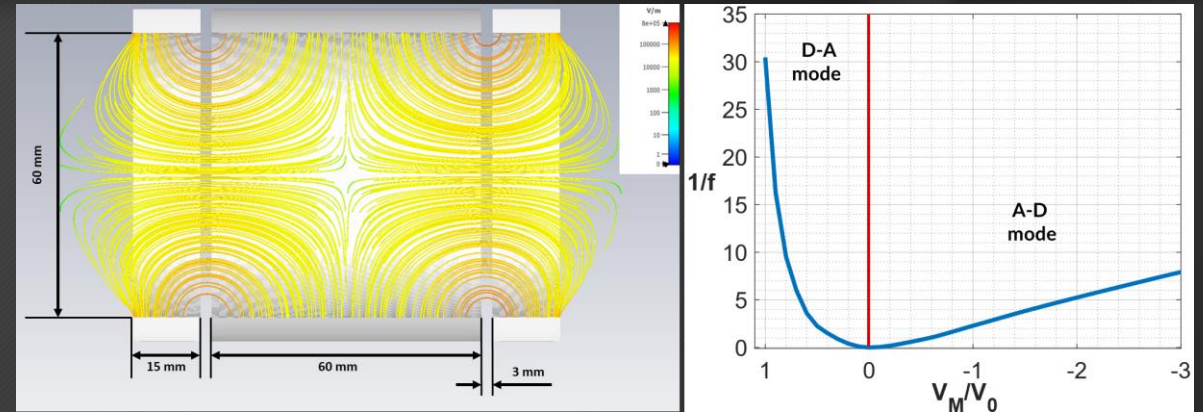
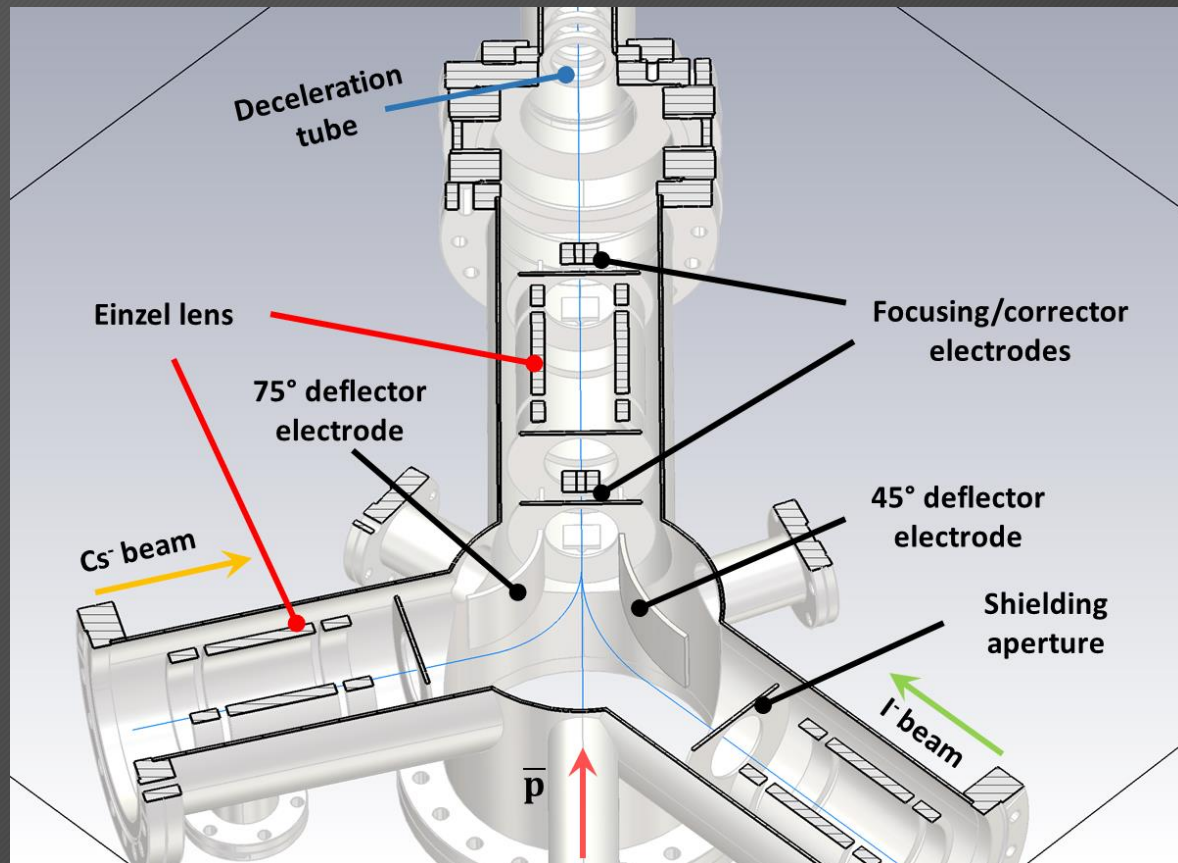
Physics behind antiproton atoms

- The first results were obtained in the past with He and other atoms as result of antiproton capture in solid targets
- Possibility to characterize neutron tails of the nucleus or its shape



Designed injection/extraction beamline for anions (<5 keV)

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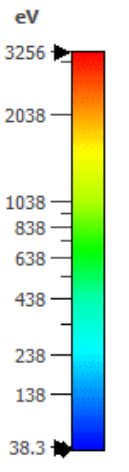
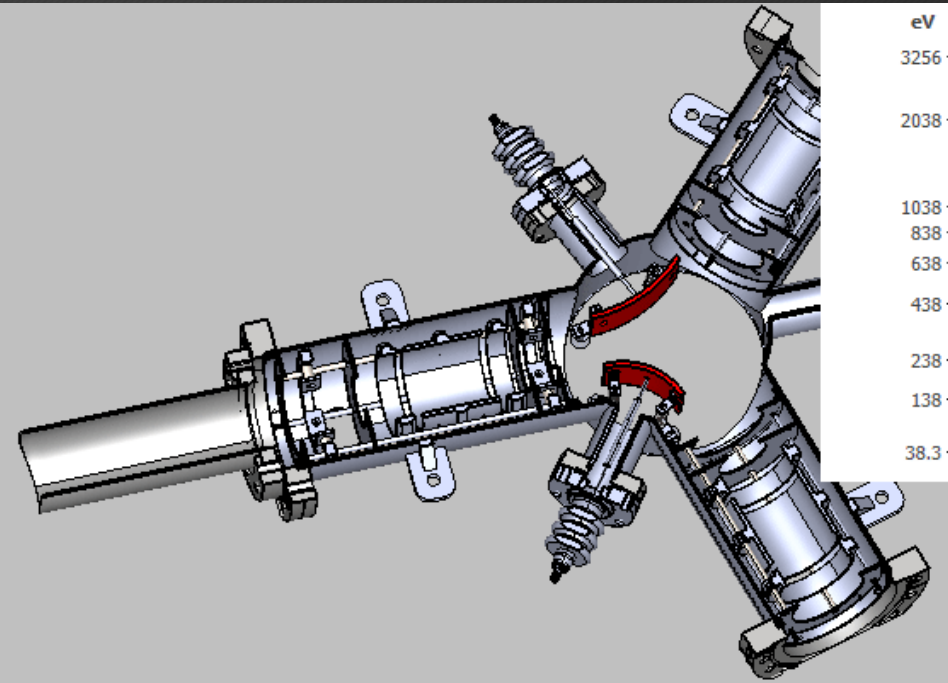
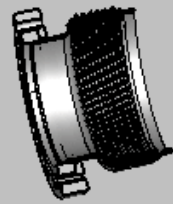
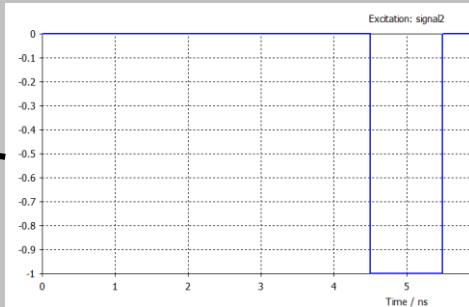
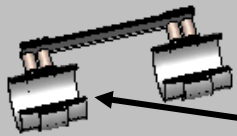
Stray magnetic fields

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Dynamic tracking simulations: stray fields+3D PIC space-charge

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Any questions are welcome?