

Gamma Factory



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"New directions in science are launched by new tools much more often than by new concepts.

The effect of a concept-driven revolution is to explain old things in new ways.

The effect of a tool-driven revolution is to discover new things that have to be explained" - F. Dyson



“Gamma Factory” studies

The Gamma Factory proposal for CERN[†]

[†] An Executive Summary of the proposal addressed to the CERN management.

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~100 physicists from 40 institutions have contributed so far to the Gamma Factory studies

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*Gamma Factory studies are anchored and supported by the CERN **Physics Beyond Colliders (PBC)** framework.*

More info on all the GF group activities:

<https://indico.cern.ch/category/10874>

*We acknowledge the crucial role of the **CERN PBC “framework”** in bringing our accelerator tests, GF-PoP experiment design, software development and physics studies to their present stage!*

Outline of the talk

- *Rationale behind the Gamma Factory initiative*
- *Basic principles and feasibility studies*
- *Scientific programme – selected examples*
- *Proof-of-Principle experiment at the SPS*
- *Outlook*

*Rationale behind the Gamma Factory
initiative*

1. Curiosity

- *How to efficiently “accelerate” photons?*
- *The science of high energy **atomic beams** (production, storage, cooling, collision aspects) has so far, not been developed. Atomic beams are very special -- they can be controlled with unprecedented precision -- a path to the ultimate-luminosity hadronic colliders?*
- *New quantum physics beam effects (beams of “Schrödinger cats”)*
- *No simulation framework existed -- it had to be created and benchmarked*
- *New challenges for the laser technology*
- ***Sociological curiosity:**
Can the particle, nuclear, atomic and accelerator physics expertise be merged into a joint multidisciplinary project?*

2. Balance of the high-energy and high-intensity frontiers

- *High energy frontier (detailed Higgs studies at the FCC-ee, etc...)*
- *High intensity frontier (dark Matter, neutrino mass puzzle(s), families, lepton universality, etc...
FCC-ee potential – $\sim 10^5$ Z/sec, 10 W/sec, ...)*

Gamma Factory can improve the present intensity limits of the:

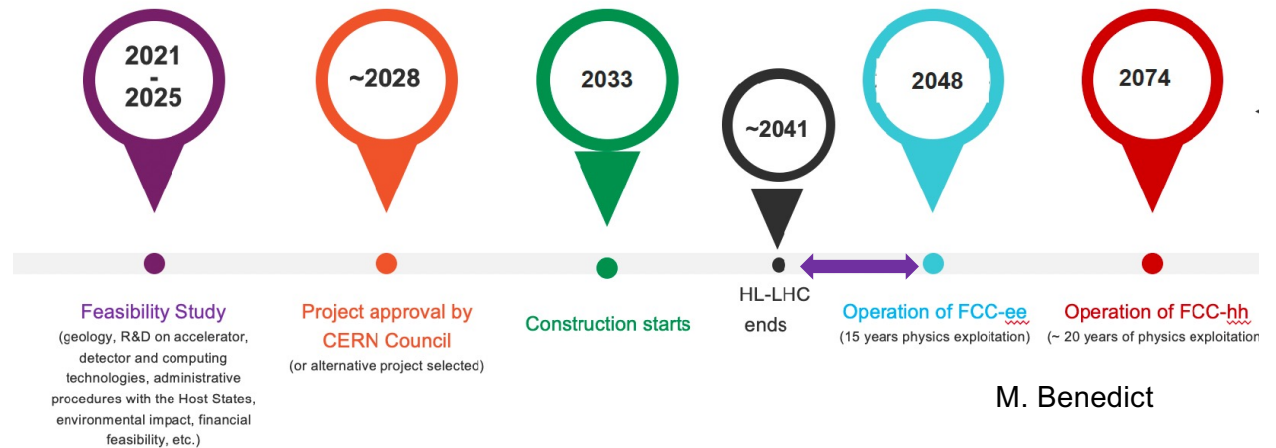
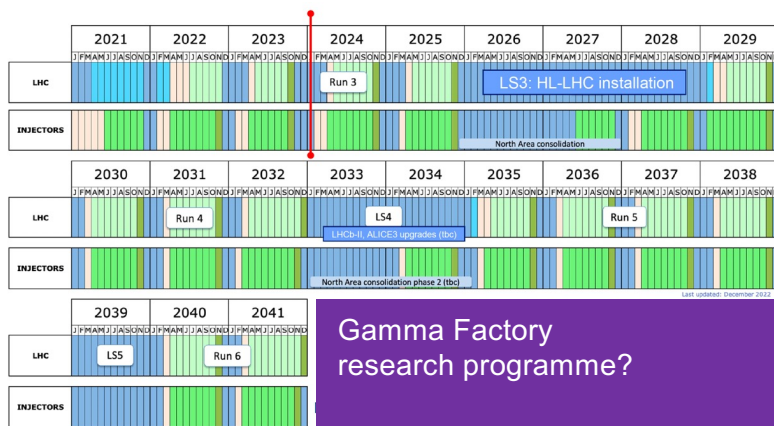
- *γ -beams by a factor $>10^6 \rightarrow 10^{18}$ γ /sec,*
- *muon beams by a factor of 10^3 , $\rightarrow 7 \times 10^{13}$ μ /sec,*
- *polarised positron beams by a factor of 10^3 , $\rightarrow 10^{16}$ e^+ /sec,*
- *monochromatic neutron beams*
- *radioactive ion beams*
- *...*

3. LHC extracted beams

- *SPS has demonstrated operation with cycle intensity $2-4 \times 10^{13}$ protons delivering 4×10^{19} protons/year for the SPS fixed target programme, (PSB can deliver 10^{20} protons/year for the ISOLDE programme)*
- *If LHC is used in the future as the source of extracted beams (3.5×10^{14} circulating protons with ~ 1 hour filling/ramping), then maximally 10^{18} (fast extraction) protons/year can be delivered for the LHC fixed target programme*

*Gamma Factory could extract $\sim 10^{25}$ γ /year for a fixed target programme
With $\sim 100\%$ efficiency*

4. Empty time slot for the Gamma Factory physics programme?



- Gamma Factory can extend significantly the scope of the LHC-based physics programme (with new questions and new tools)
- ... at a relatively low cost (~1% of the cost of the FCC-ee)

5. Energy consumption and sustainability

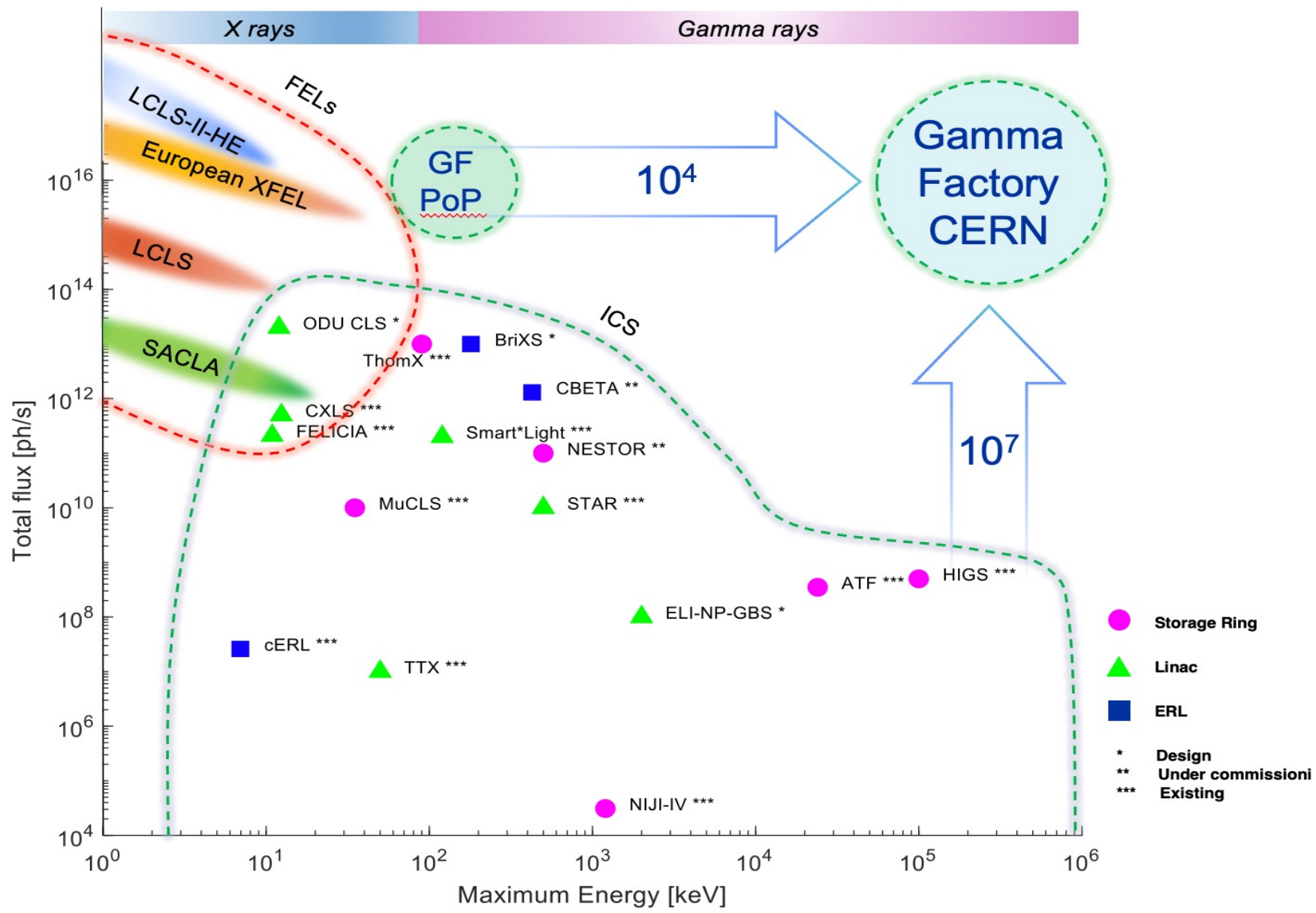
	Cost-estimate /BCHF	AC-Power /MW	Comments
Infrastructure	5.5		100km tunnel and surface infrastructure
FCC-ee	5	260-350	+1.1BCHF for the Top stage (365GeV)
FCC-hh	17	580	

Gamma Factory beam-driven, subcritical reactor (with the efficient transmutation of its waste) could potentially provide the necessary AC plug power needs of the growing CERN accelerator infrastructure.

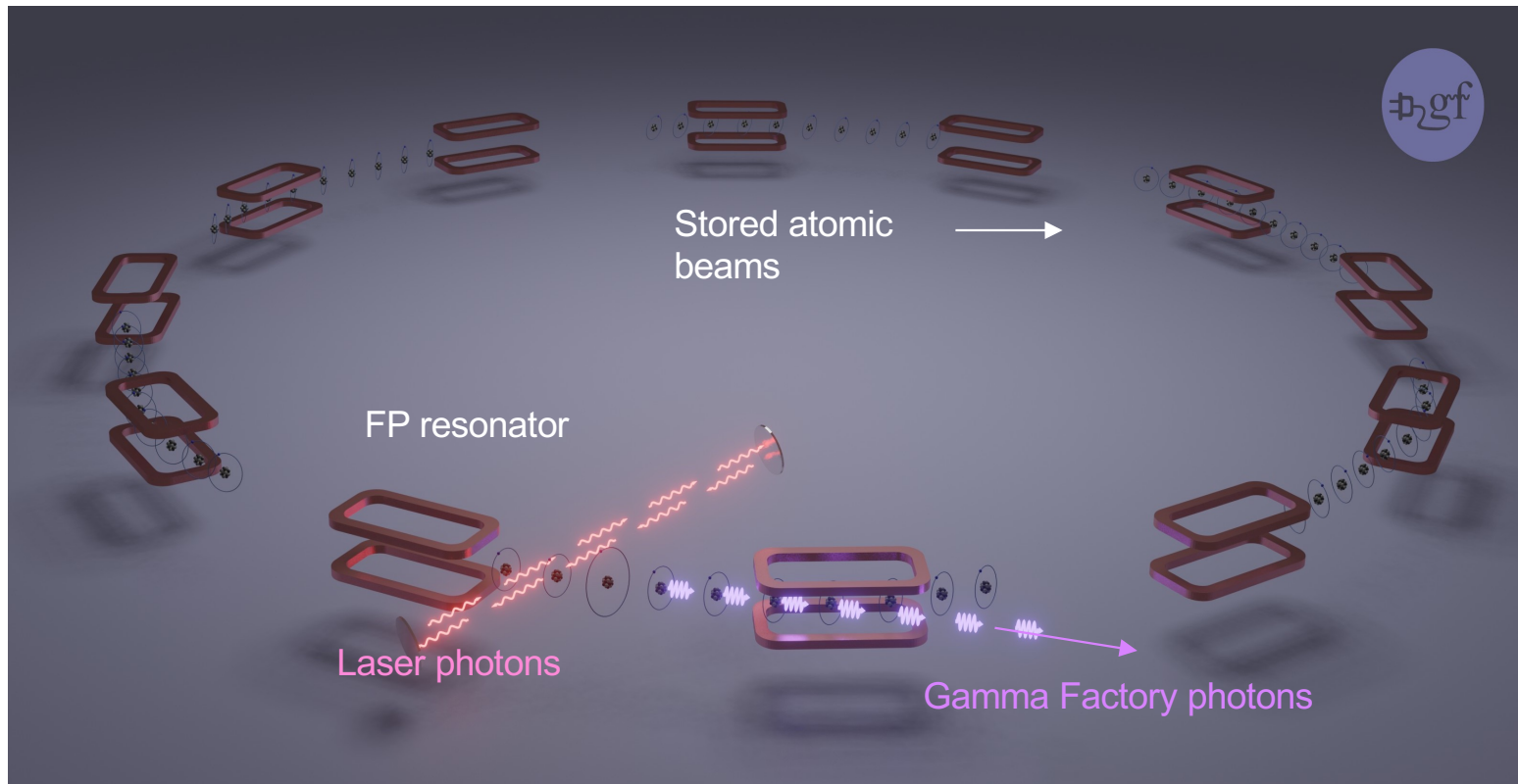
6. Opening **new** research opportunities at CERN

- **particle physics** (precision QED and EW studies, vacuum birefringence, Higgs physics in $\gamma\gamma$ collision mode, rare muon decays, precision neutrino physics, QCD-confinement studies, ...);
- **nuclear physics** (nuclear spectroscopy, cross-talk of nuclear and atomic processes, GDR, nuclear photo-physics, photo-fission research, gamma polarimetry, physics of rare radioactive nuclides, ...);
- **atomic physics** (highly charged atoms, electronic and muonic atoms, pionic and kaonic atoms);
- **astrophysics** (dark matter searches, gravitational waves detection, gravitational effects of cold particle beams, $^{16}\text{O}(\gamma,\alpha)^{12}\text{C}$ reaction and S-factors...);
- **fundamental physics** (studies of the basic symmetries of the universe, atomic interferometry,...);
- **accelerator physics** (beam cooling techniques, low emittance hadronic beams, high intensity polarised positron and muon sources, beams of radioactive ions and neutrons, very narrow band, and flavour-tagged neutrino beams, ...);
- **applied physics** (accelerator driven energy sources, fusion research, medical isotopes and isomers precision lithography).

*Gamma Factory – basic principles and
status of the feasibility studies*

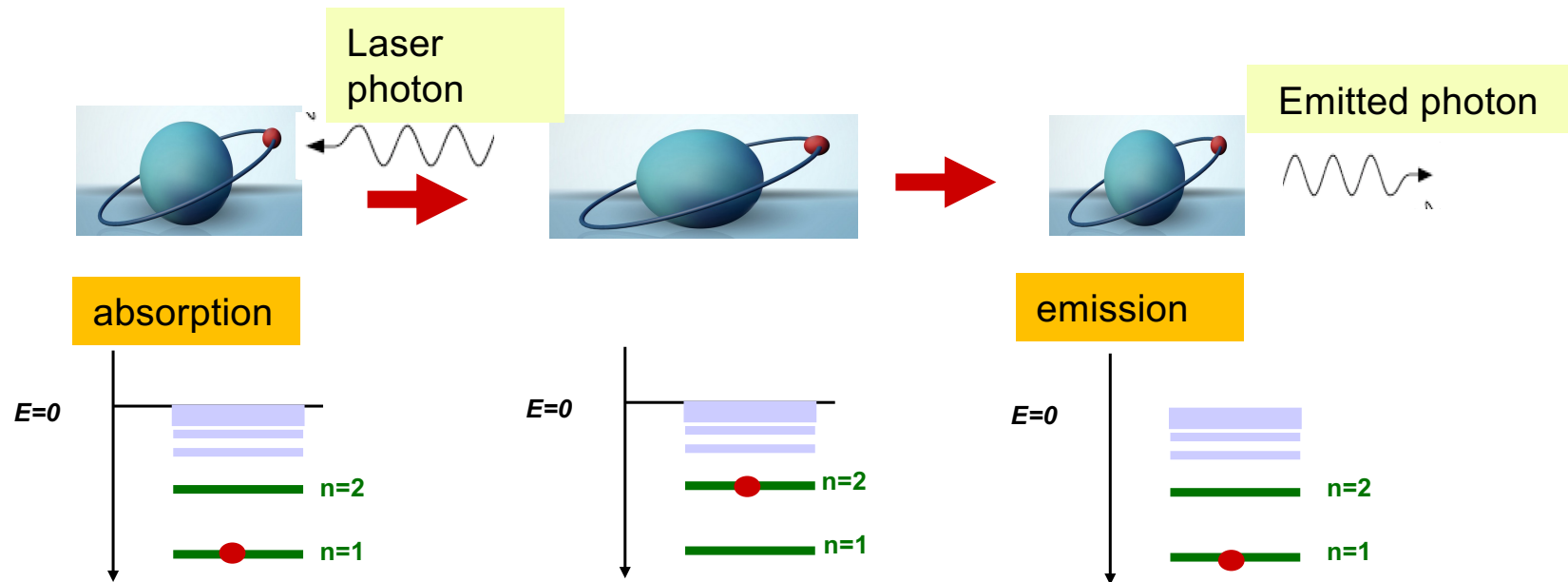


Gamma Factory photon source



Novel technology:
Resonant scattering of laser photons on ultra-relativistic atomic beam

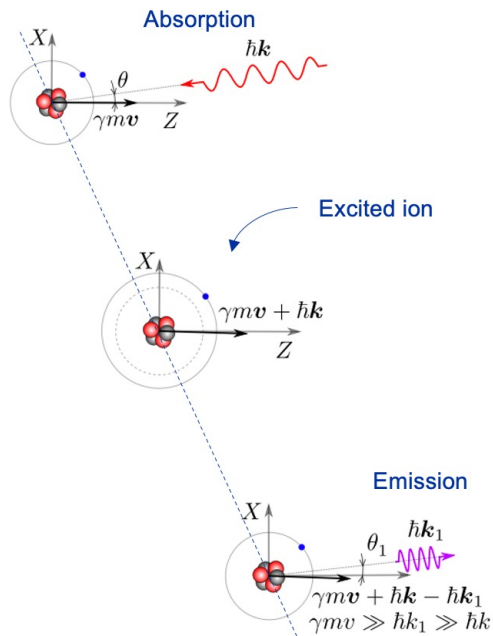
Resonant absorption and emissions of photons by **atoms**



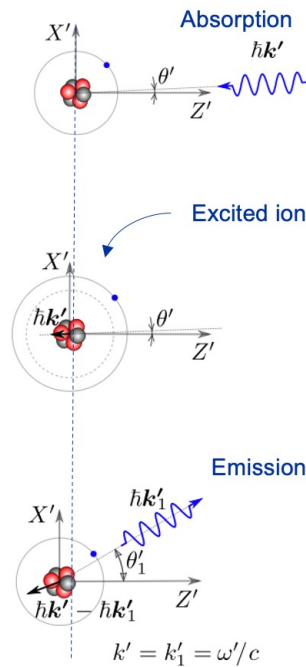
Photon acceleration -- Energy leap:

High energy atomic beams play the role of passive light-frequency converters:

In the lab frame



In the ion frame



Absorption

Lorentz transformation

$$\omega' \sin \theta' = \omega \sin \theta,$$

$$\Delta \theta' \approx \frac{\Delta \theta}{2\gamma}$$

$$\omega' = (1 + \beta \cos \theta) \gamma \omega \approx \left(1 + \beta - \beta \frac{\theta^2}{2}\right) \gamma \omega \approx 2\gamma \omega.$$

Emission

$$\omega_1 \sin \theta_1 = \omega' \sin \theta'_1 \Rightarrow \sin \theta_1 = \frac{\sin \theta'_1}{\gamma(1 + \beta \cos \theta'_1)},$$

$$\omega_1 = \gamma(1 + \beta \cos \theta'_1) \omega' \approx 2\gamma^2(1 + \beta \cos \theta'_1) \omega.$$

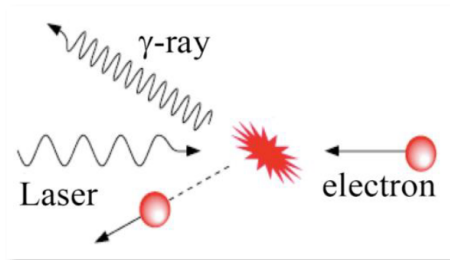
$$v^{\max} \rightarrow (4 \gamma_L^2) v_i$$

$\gamma_L = E/M$ - Lorentz factor for the ion beam

Photon acceleration – Intensity and efficiency leap:

large cross-section for atomic collisions

Inverse Compton scattering



Cross-section

Electrons:

$$\sigma_e = 8\pi/3 \times r_e^2$$

r_e - classical electron radius

$$\sigma_e = 6.6 \times 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^2$$

Requirements

$$E_{\text{beam}} = 1.5 \text{ GeV}$$

LINAC or LWFA

Electron fractional energy loss:
emission of 150 MeV photon:

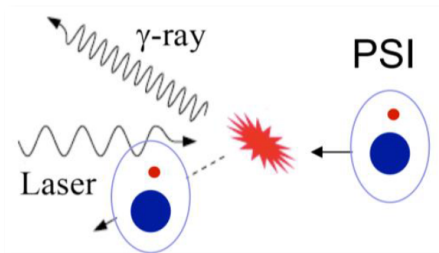
$$E_\gamma/E_{\text{beam}} = 0.1$$

(electron is lost!)



$$\sigma \times 10^9$$

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Example: Pb, hydrogen-like ions,
stored in LHC $\gamma_L = 2887$

Partially Stripped Ions:

$$\sigma_{\text{res}} = \lambda_{\text{res}}^2 / 2\pi$$

λ_{res} - photon wavelength in
the ion rest frame

$$\sigma_{\text{res}} = 5.9 \times 10^{-16} \text{ cm}^2$$

$$E_{\text{beam}} = 574\,000 \text{ GeV}$$

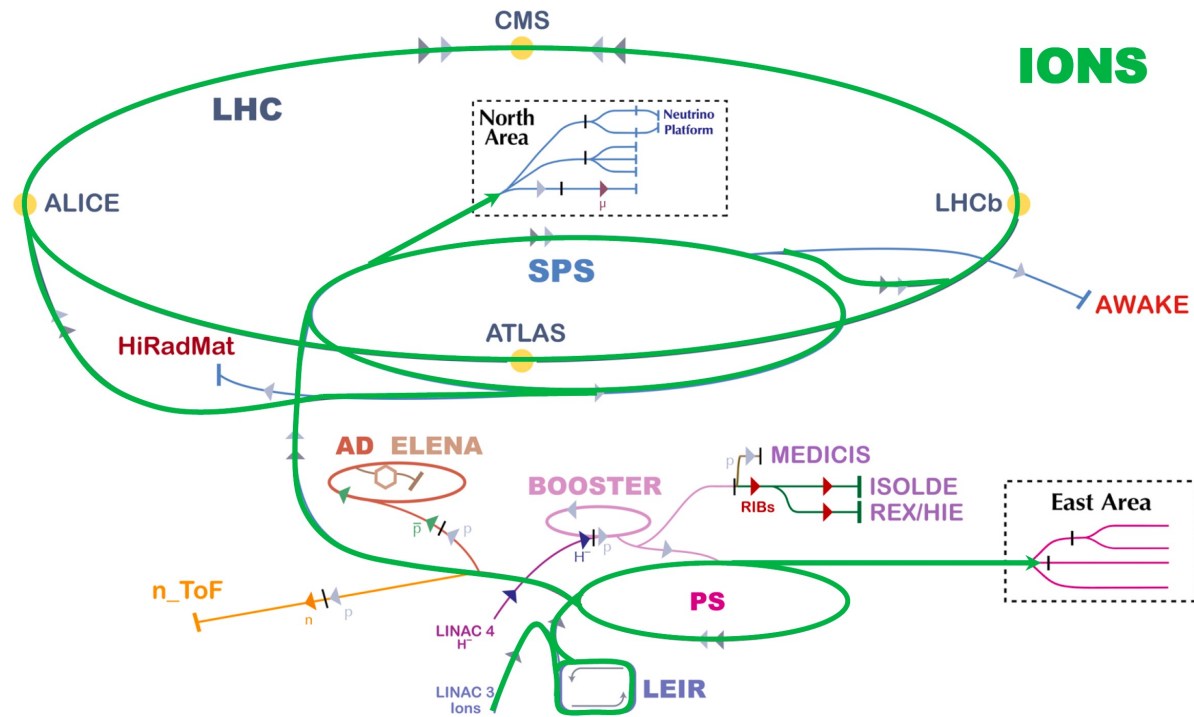
(LHC)

Electron fractional energy loss:
emission of 150 MeV photon:

$$E_\gamma/E_{\text{beam}} = 2.6 \times 10^{-7}$$

(ion undisturbed!)

Re-use of already existing accelerator infrastructure – CERN



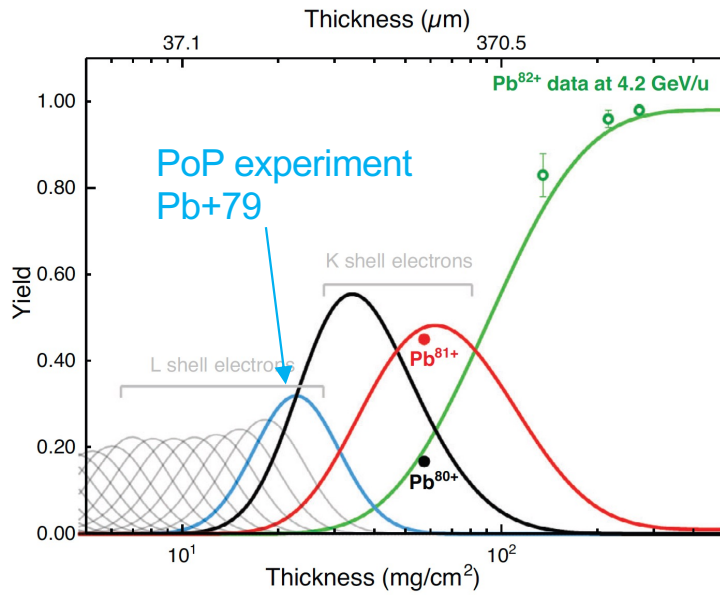
Gamma Factory (additional) beam requirements:

- modification of the ion stripping scheme,
- storage of atomic beams



Achievements : Requisite TT2 stripper system installed

Stripping of Pb+54 ions in the TT2 PS-→ SPS transfer line



Charge-State Distributions of Highly Charged Lead Ions at Relativistic Collision Energies

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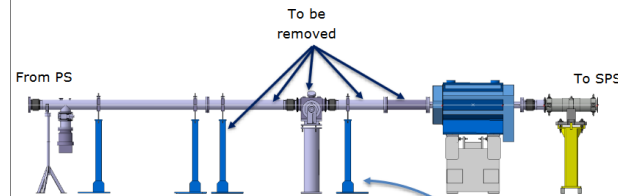


Figure 7 – CAD model of the actual integration

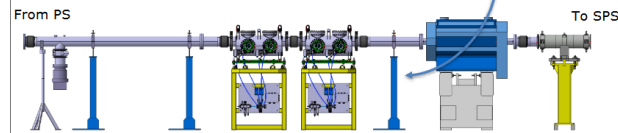
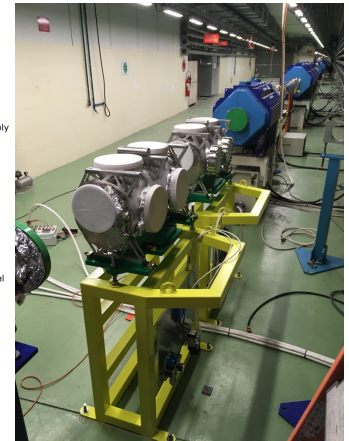
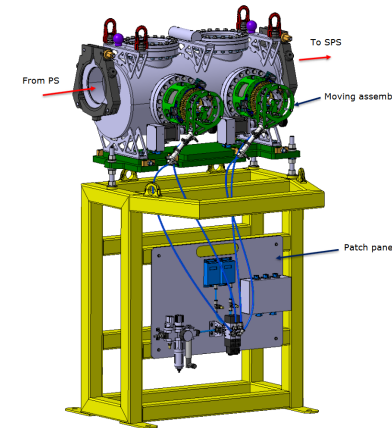


Figure 8 – CAD model of the new integration



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The two tanks of the new stripper system **were installed during YETS 2021-2022 and YETS 2022-2023**. Four stripper foil mechanisms are operating at ~Hz frequency.

LHC accelerates its first "atoms"

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Lead atoms with a single remaining electron circulated in the Large Hadron Collider.

<https://home.cern/about/updates/2018/07/lhc-accelerates-its-first-atoms>

<https://www.sciencealert.com/the-large-hadron-collider-just-successfully-accelerated-its-first-atoms>

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/meriameberboucha/2018/07/31/lhc-at-cern-accelerates-atoms-for-the-first-time/#36db60ae5cb4>

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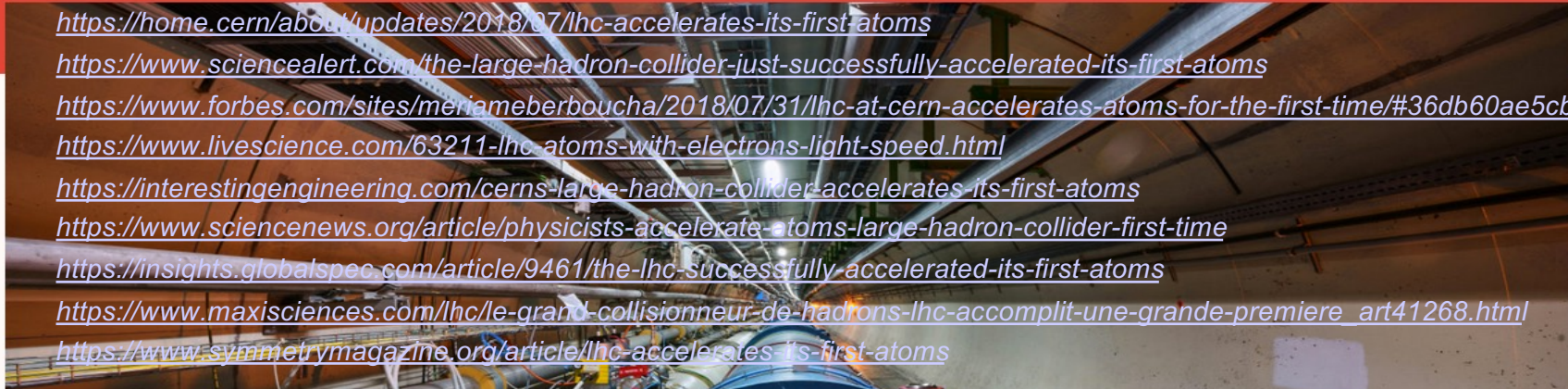
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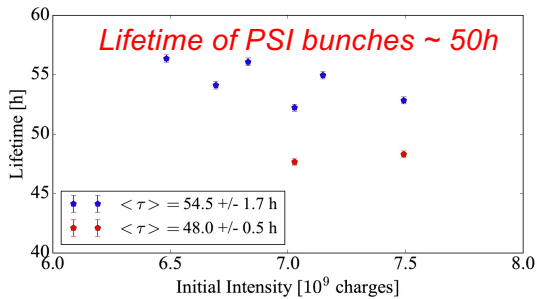
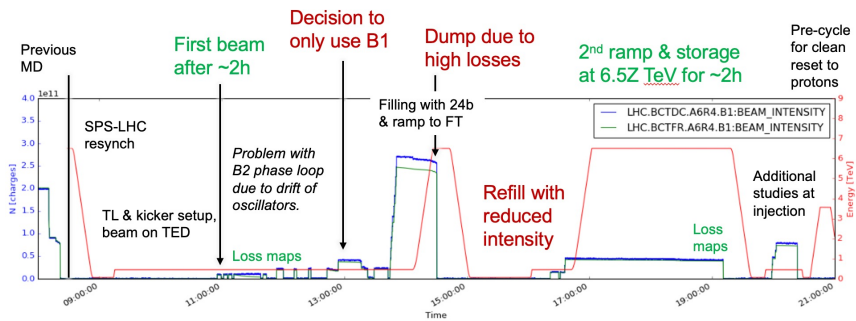
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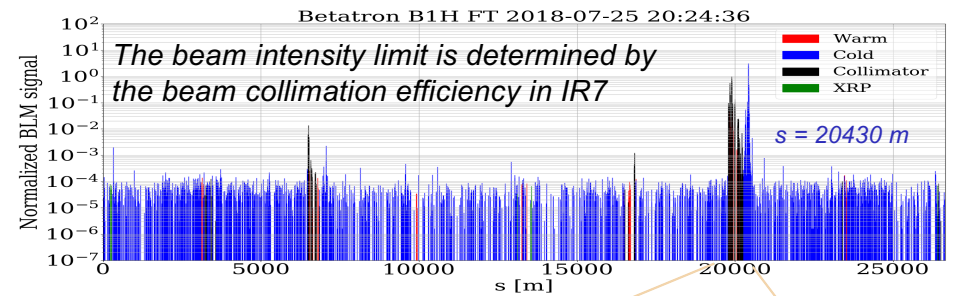
Achievements: Atomic beams stored in in the LHC



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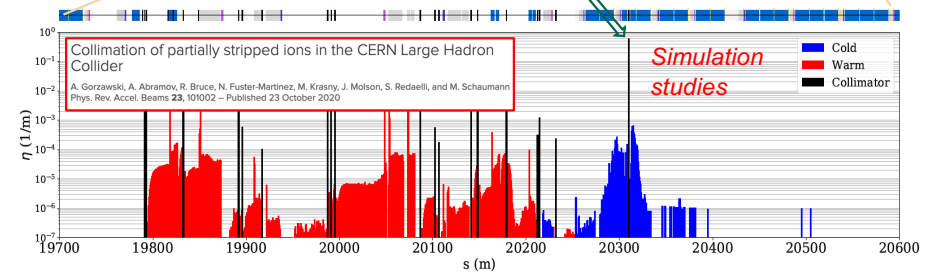
MD3284: Partially Stripped Ions in the LHC

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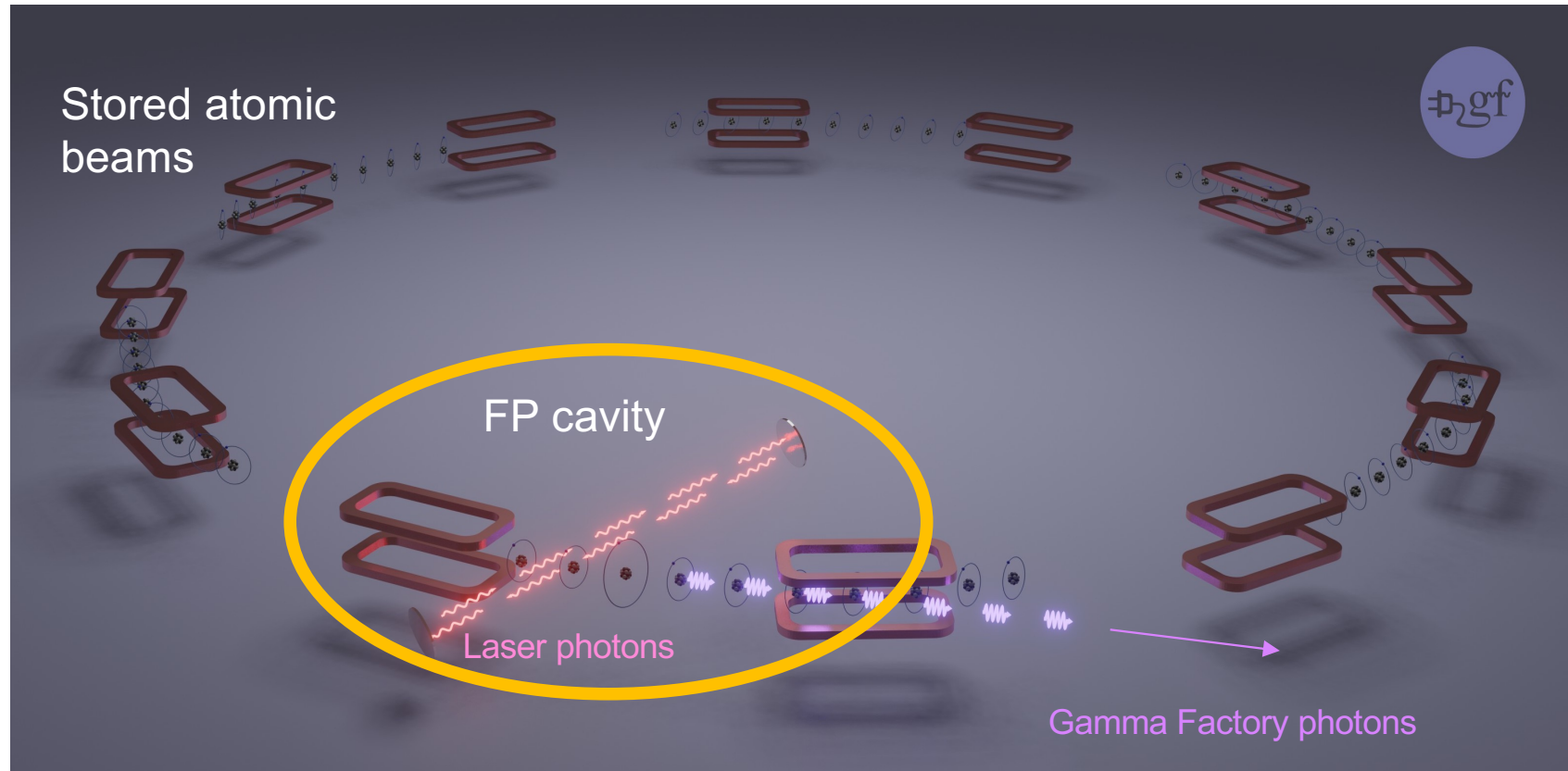


Mitigation strategies:

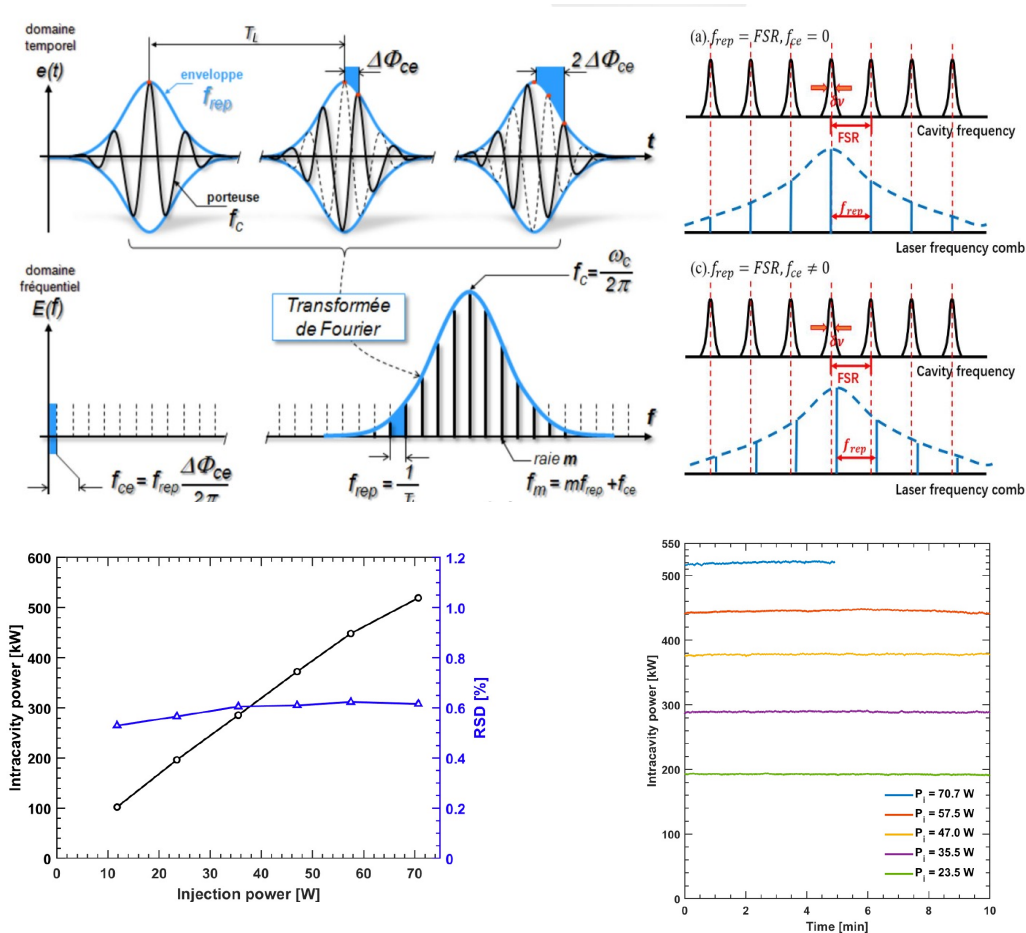
1. Dispersion suppressor collimator (TCLD)
2. Crystal collimation
3. Laser collimation.



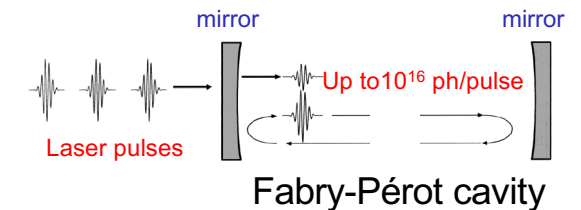
Laser photons



Towards the first integration of the Fabry-Pérot (FP) cavity in the hadron storage ring



GF at SPS and LHC rings



GF requirements:

- < 5mJ pulses @ 20MHz, (100kW photon beam)
- Stable remote operation of the laser system in the hadron storage rings (to be demonstrated in the GF proof-of-Principle experiment)

Achievements: World record of the stored laser photon beam power – satisfying the full GF research programme

Stable 500 kW average power of infrared light in a finesse 35,000 enhancement cavity

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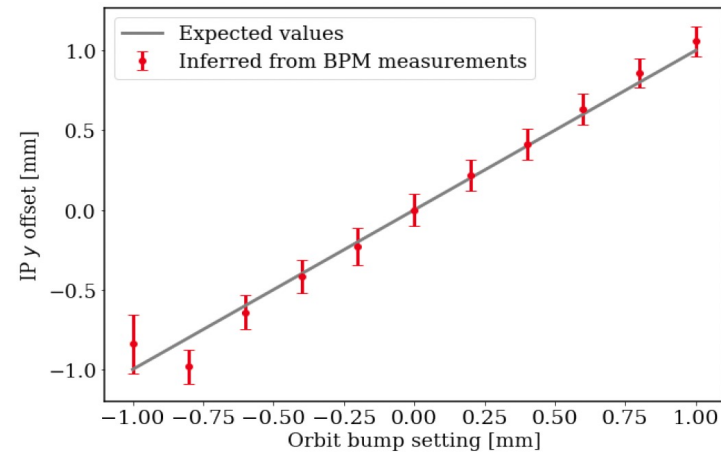
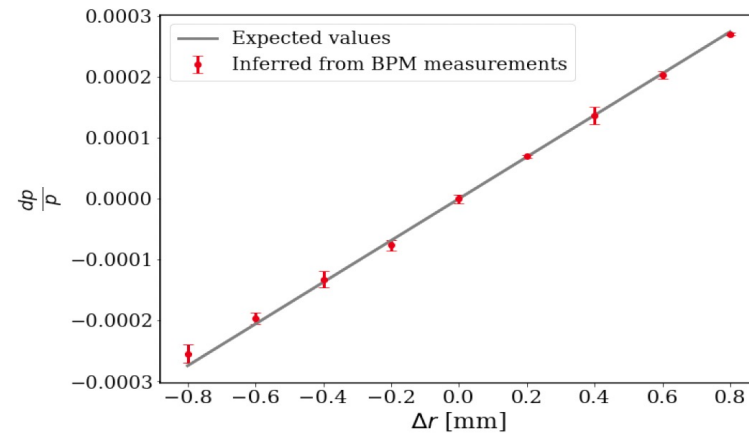
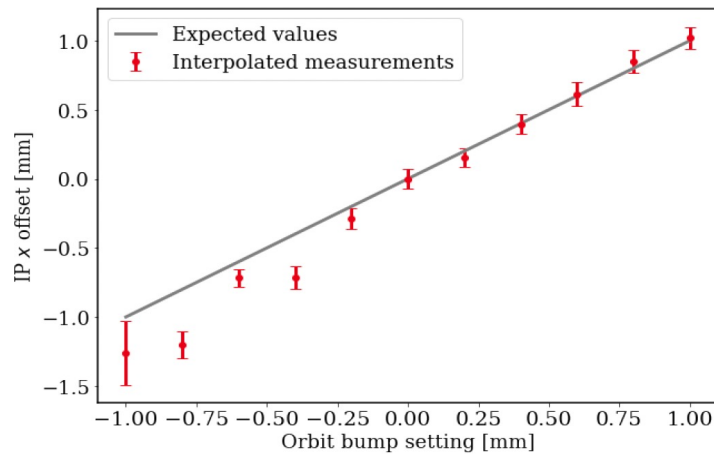
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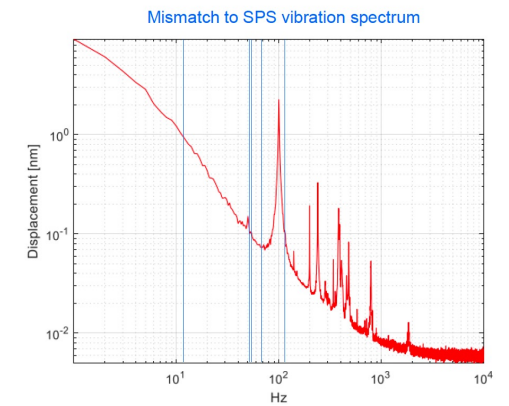
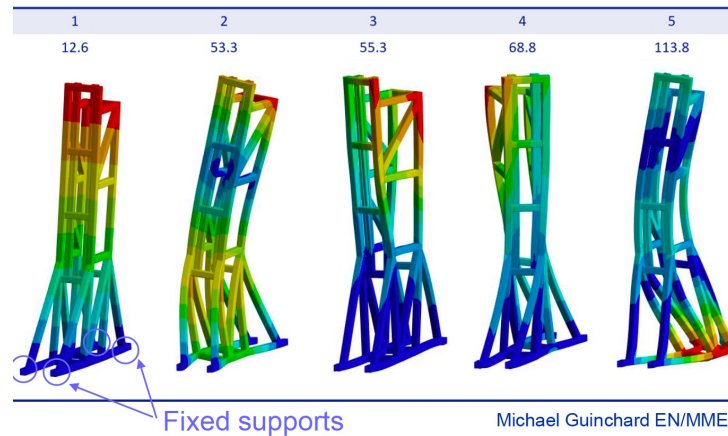
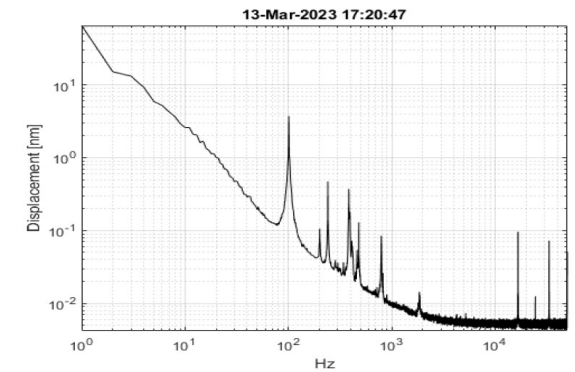
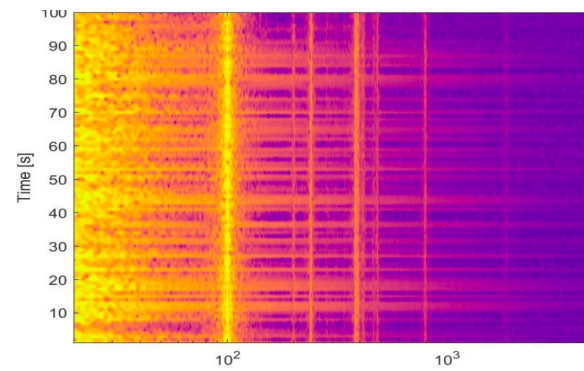
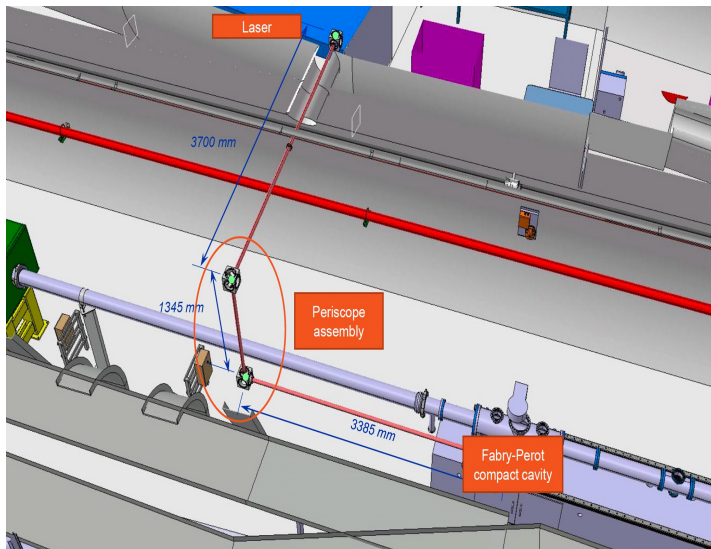
Achievements: Requisite precision of the momentum and beam position control at the collision point with laser photons

SPS MD5044 : machine stability characterisation of Gamma Factory SPS Proof-of-Principle Experiment

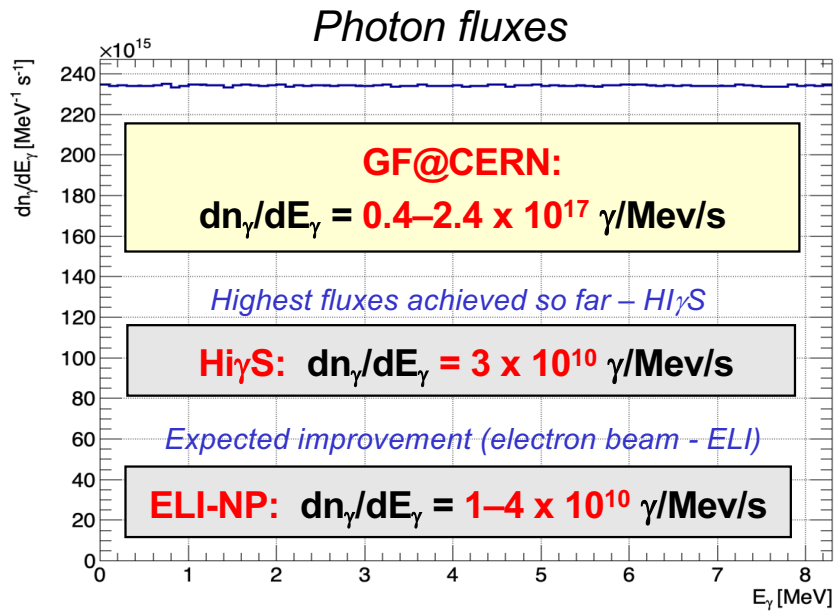
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Achievements: Measurement of vibration modes of the laser photon transport line (and their mitigation)



A concrete example: Nuclear physics application: He-like, LHC Calcium beam, $(1s \rightarrow 2p)_{1/2}$ transition, TiSa laser, 20 MHz FP cavity

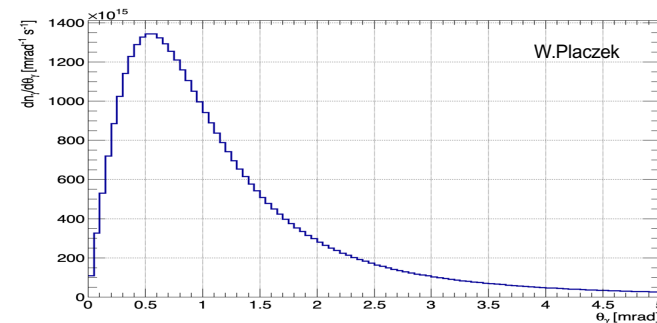
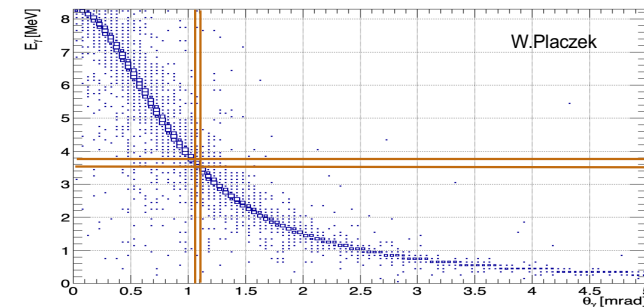


laser pulse parameters

- Gaussian spatial and time profiles,
- photon energy: $E_{\text{photon}} = 1.8338 \text{ eV}$
- photon pulse energy spread: $\sigma_{\omega}/\omega = 2 \times 10^{-4}$,
- photon wavelength: $\lambda = 676 \text{ nm}$,
- pulse energy: $W_{\text{f}} = 5 \text{ mJ}$,
- peak power density $1.12 \times 10^{13} \text{ W/m}^2$
- r.m.s. transverse beam size at focus: $\sigma_{\text{x}} = \sigma_{\text{y}} = 150 \text{ } \mu\text{m}$ (micrometers),
- Rayleigh length: $R_{\text{L,x}} = R_{\text{L,y}} = 7.5 \text{ cm}$,
- r.m.s. pulse length: $l_{\text{f}} = 15 \text{ cm}$.

Highly-collimated monochromatic γ -beams:

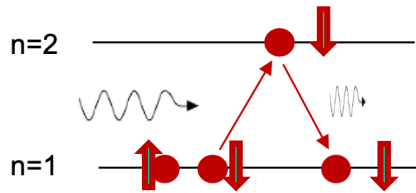
- the beam power is concentrated in a narrow angular region (facilitates beam extraction),
- the $(E_\gamma, \theta_\gamma)$ correlation can be used (collimation) to “monochomatize” the beam



Polarised (and/or twisted) GF photon beams

... for Gudrid

A trick: Pauli blocking

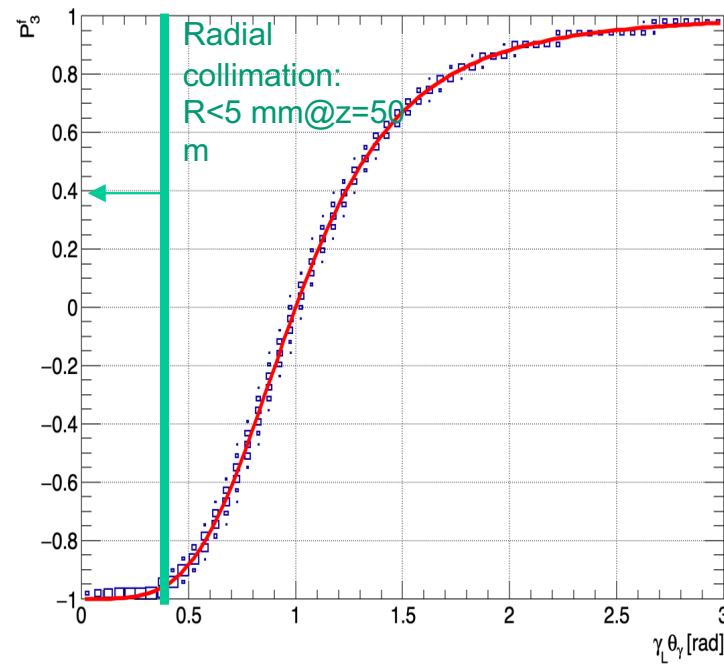


$$nS_0 \rightarrow n'P_1 \rightarrow nS_0$$

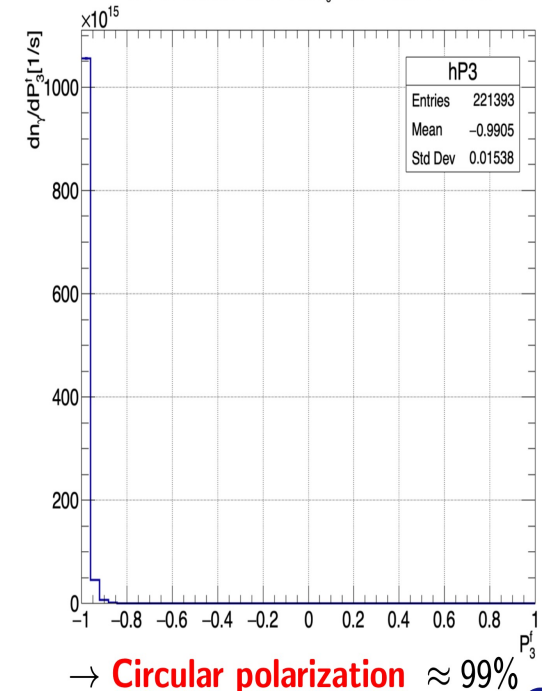
Closed transition in Helium-like atoms ($n=1, n'=2$) preserve initial polarisation of the laser light

$1s^2 1S_0 \rightarrow 1s^1 2p^1 1P_1$ transition in He-like atoms

GF-POL-CAIN: He-like Ca with $P_3^i = 1$



GF-POL-CAIN: He-like Yb with $P_3^i = 1, r < 5 \text{ mm} @ z = 50 \text{ m}$



For more details see presentations at our recent, Gamma Factory workshop: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1076086/>

Extraordinary properties of the GF photon source

1. Point-like, small divergence

- $\Delta z \sim l_{PSI-bunch} < 7 \text{ cm}$, $\Delta x, \Delta y \sim \sigma_{x,y}^{PSI} < 50 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$, $\Delta(\theta_x), \Delta(\theta_y) \sim 1/\gamma_L < 1 \text{ mrad}$

2. Huge jump in intensity:

- **More than 7 orders of magnitude** w.r.t. existing (being constructed) γ -sources

3. Very wide range of tuneable energy photon beam :

- **10 keV – 400 MeV** -- extending, by a factor of **~1000**, the energy range of the FEL photon sources

4. Tuneable polarisation:

- γ -**polarisation transmission** from laser photons to γ -beams of **up to 99%**

5. Unprecedented plug power efficiency (energy footprint):

- **LHC RF power can be converted to the photon beam power.** Wall-plug power efficiency of the GF photon source is by a factor of **~300 better than that of the DESY-XFEL!**
(assuming power consumption of 200 MW - CERN and 19 MW - DESY)

Scientific programme – selected examples

GF studies: published papers (INSPIRE) and books

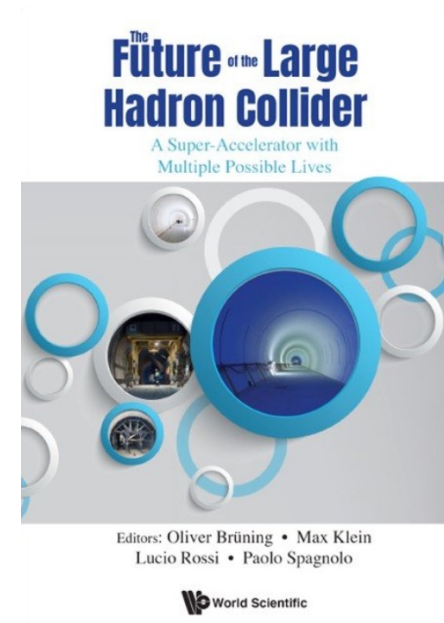
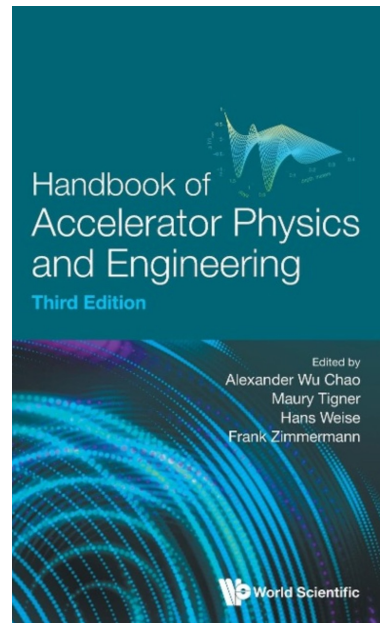
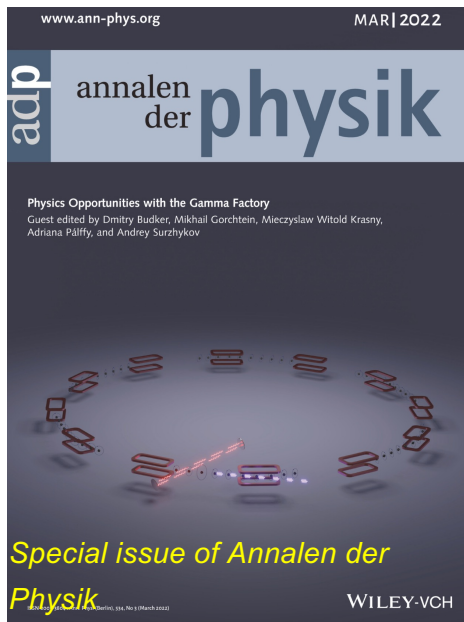
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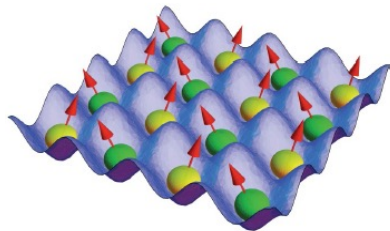
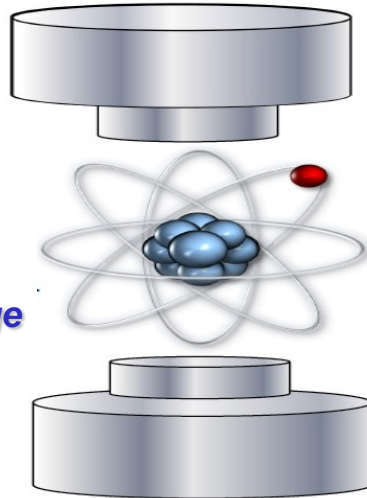
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1. Experimental programme with “small-size” atoms

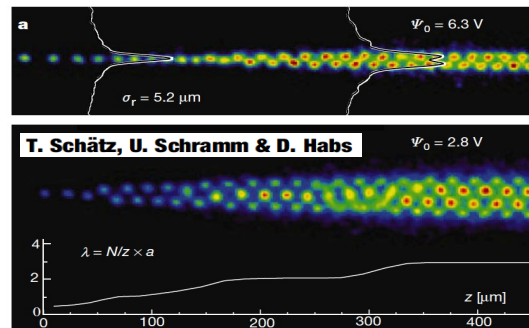
Atomic rest-frame

Trapped stationary atoms
Exposed to pulsed magnetic
and electric fields of the storage
ring



Crystalline beams?

letters to nature



Opening new research opportunities in atomic physics:

- Highly-charged atoms – very strong ($\sim 10^{16}$ V/cm) electric field (QED-vacuum effects)
- Small size atoms (electroweak effects, $\sin^2 \theta_W$, ...)
- Hydrogen-like and Helium-like atomic structure (calculation precision and simplicity)
- Atomic degrees of freedom of trapped highly-charged atoms can be resonantly excited by lasers



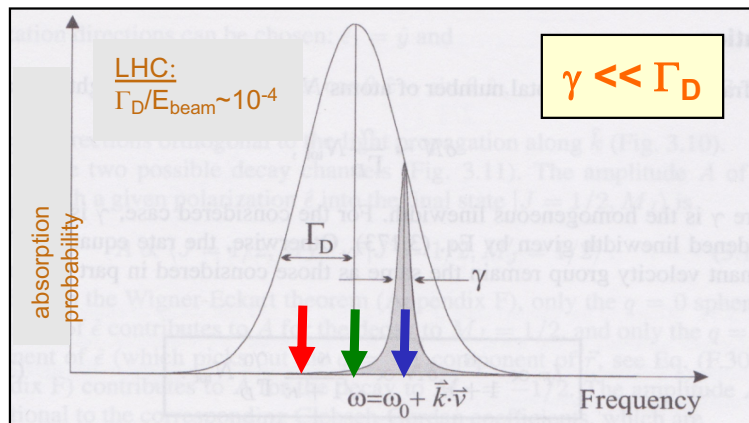
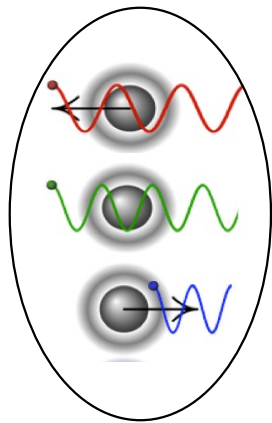
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Atomic Physics Studies at the Gamma Factory at CERN

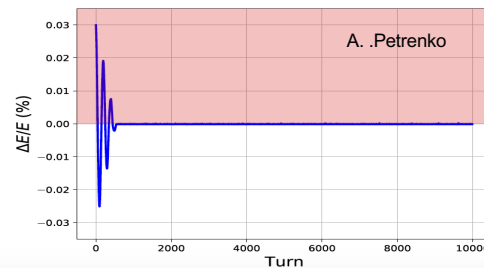
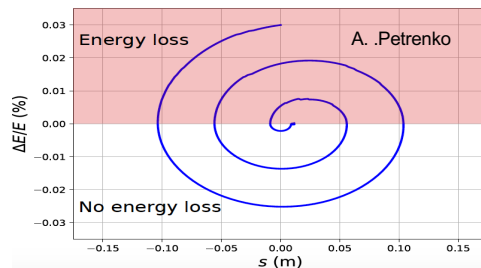
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2. Experimental programme with “cold” ion beams

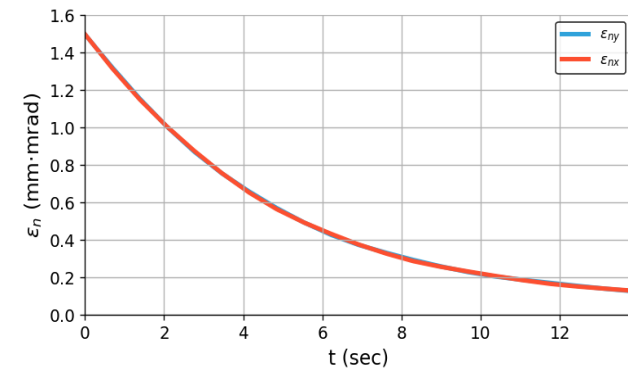


Bunch



Beam cooling speed: the laser wavelength band is chosen such that only the ions moving in the laser pulse direction (in the bunch rest frame) can resonantly absorb photons.

Opens a possibility of forming at CERN hadronic beams of the required longitudinal and transverse emittances within a seconds-long time scale



Simulation of laser cooling of the lithium-like Ca(+17) bunches in the SPS: **transverse emittance evolution**.

High-luminosity Large Hadron Collider with laser-cooled isoscalar ion beams

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Gamma Factory (complementary) path to HL-LHC:

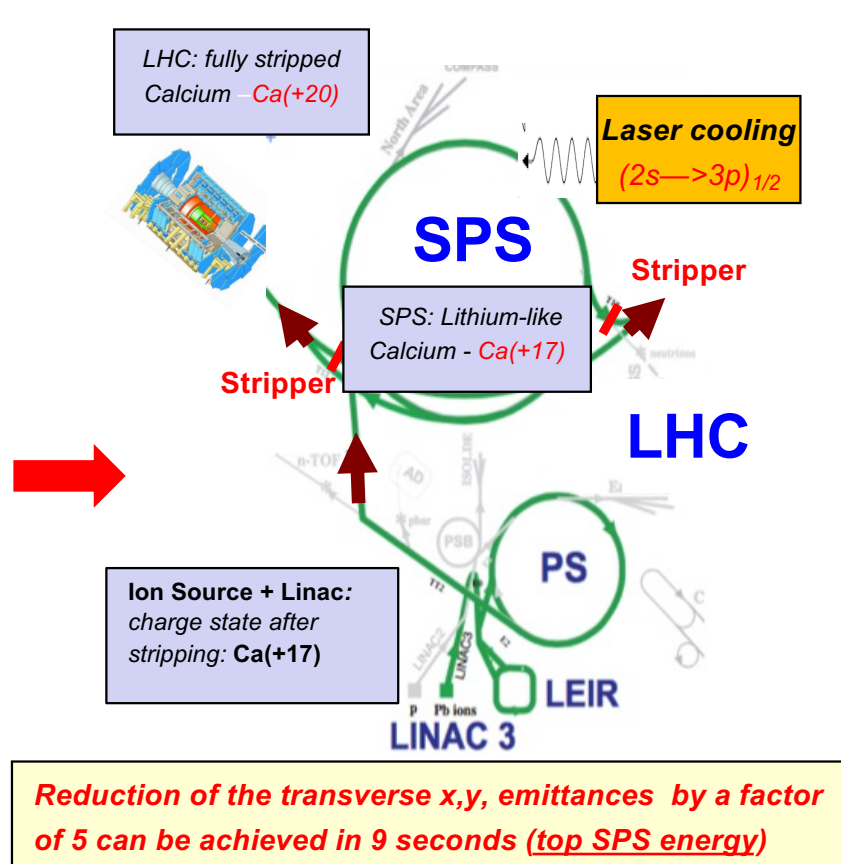
Studies of the implementation scheme with laser-cooled **isoscalar Ca beams**

$$\mathcal{L} = f \frac{n_1 n_2}{4\pi \sqrt{\epsilon_x \beta_x^* \epsilon_y \beta_y^*}}$$

Two complementary ways to increase collider luminosity for fixed n_1, n_2 , and f :

- reduce β_x^* and β_y^*
- reduce ϵ_x and ϵ_y

HL-LHC – β^* reduction by a factor of 3.7 (new inner triplet)



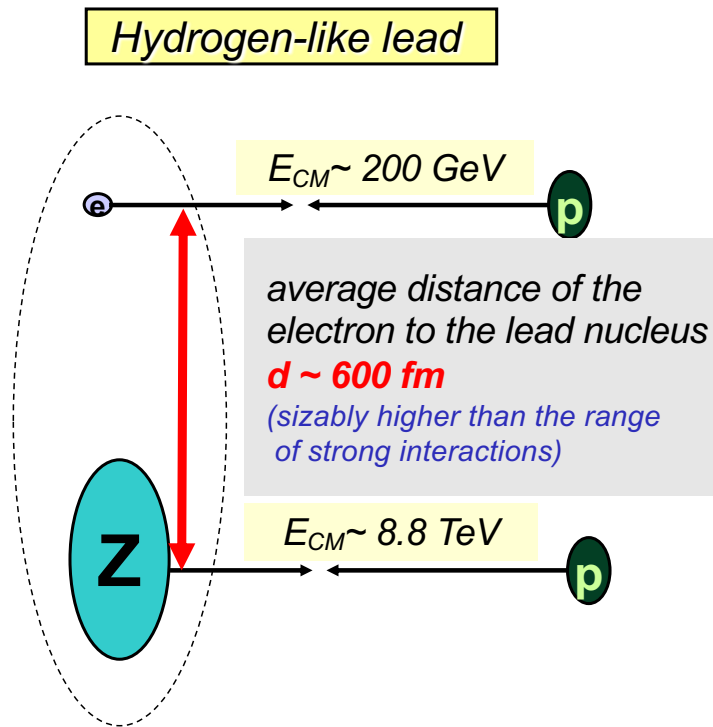
The merits of cold isoscalar beams

- higher precision in measuring SM parameters in CaCa than in pp collisions
- Possible unique access to exclusive Higgs boson production in photon–photon collisions?
- Lower pileup background at equivalent nucleon-nucleon (partonic) luminosity.
- New research opportunities for the EW symmetry breaking sector.

If necessary: add optical stochastic cooling time for the Ca beam at the LHC top energy $t_{cool} \sim 1.5$ hours (V. Lebedev)

3. Studies of ep collisions at LHC

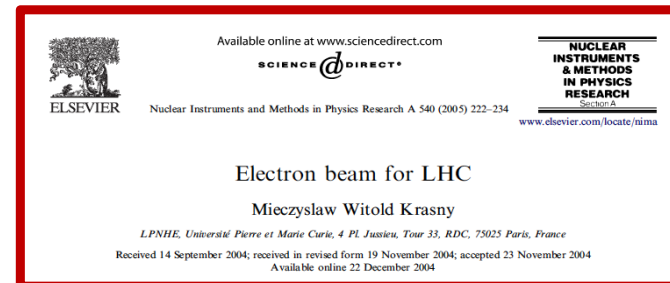
(in the ATLAS, CMS, ALICE and LHCb interaction points)



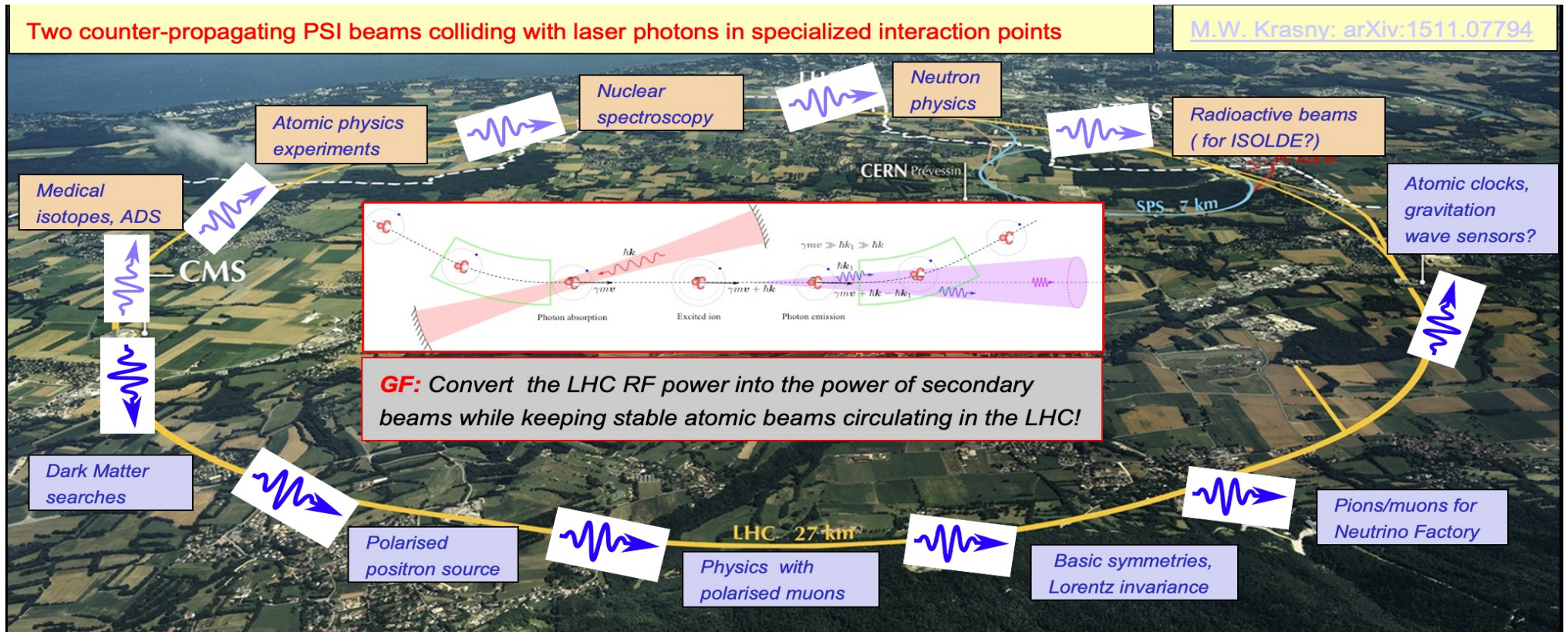
Atomic beams can be considered as **independent electron and nuclear beams** as long as the incoming proton scatters with the momentum transfer $q \gg 300 \text{ KeV!}$

Opens the possibility of collecting, by each of the LHC detectors, over one day of the **Pb+81-p** operation, the effective ep-collision luminosity comparable to the HERA integrated luminosity in the first year of its operation (1992) – *in-situ diagnostic of the emittance of partonic beams at the LHC!*

Initial studies:

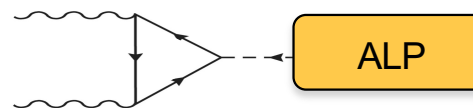


4. Gamma Factory research programme with extracted beams

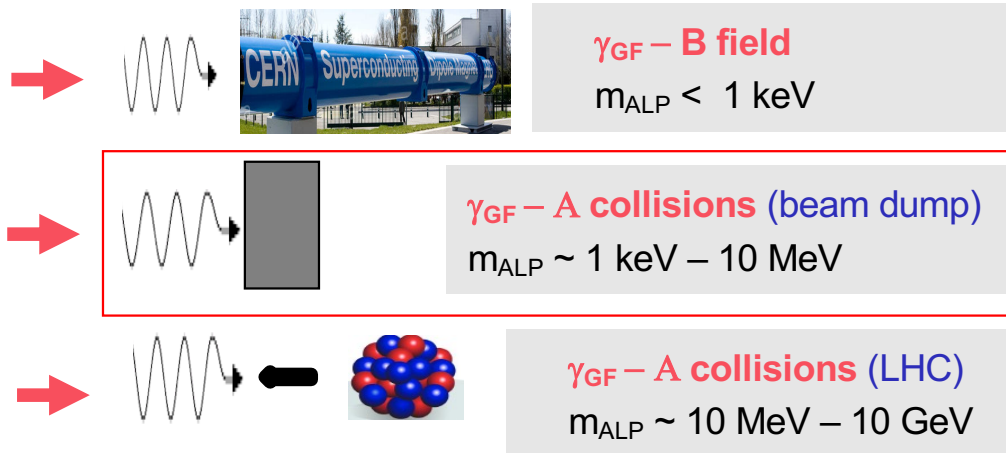


4.1 DM searches and studies (if discovered), ALP example

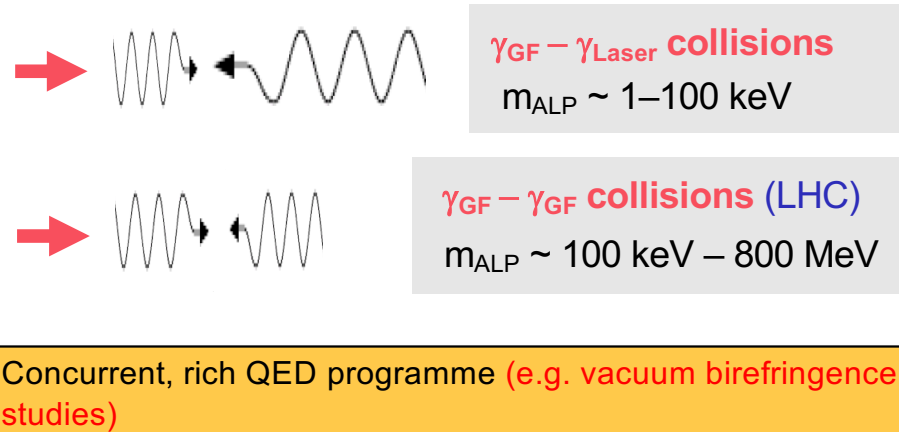
Collision schemes for ALP production:



Search phase



“Production” phase



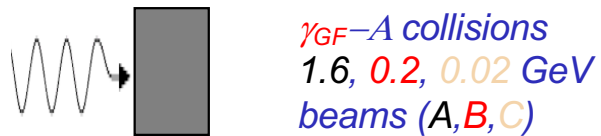
Three principal advantages of the Gamma Factory photon beams:

- **Large fluxes:** $\sim 10^{25}$ photons on target over year (SHIP – 10^{20} protons on target)
- **Multiple ALP production schemes** covering a vast region of ALP masses (**sub eV – GeV**)
- **Once ALP candidate seen** → a unique possibility to **tune** the GF beam **energy** to the **resonance**.

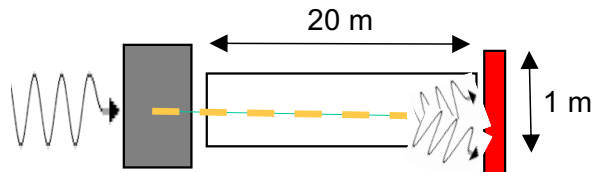
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Search phase

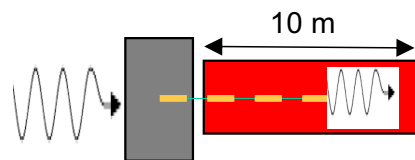
Example: beam-dump mode



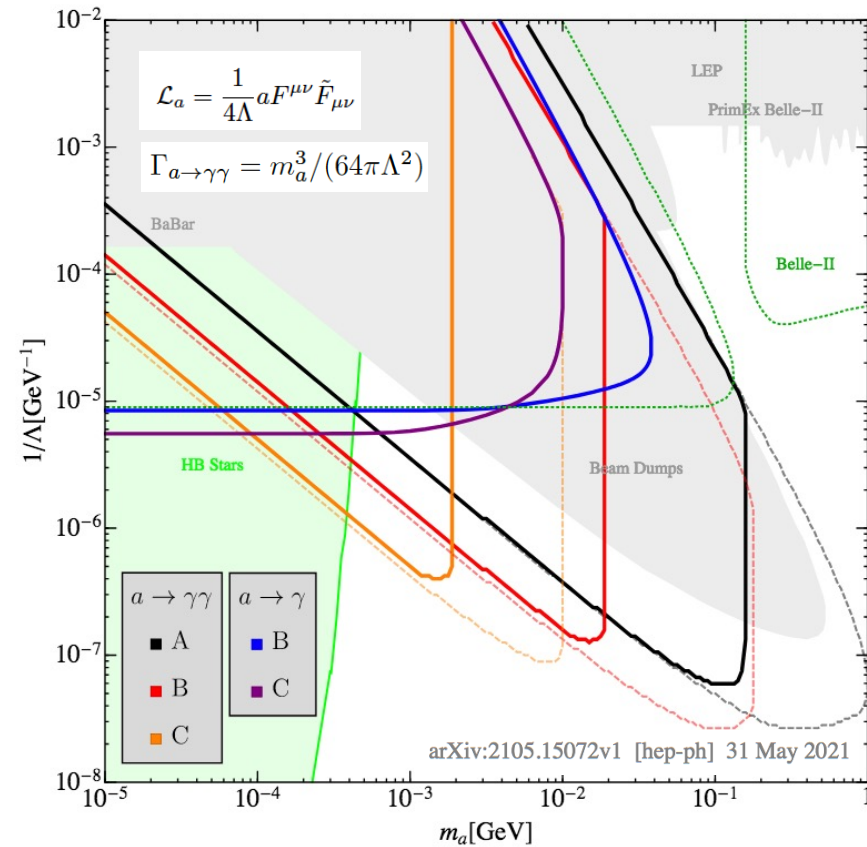
Two appearance modes:



➤ decay: $a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (A,B,C)

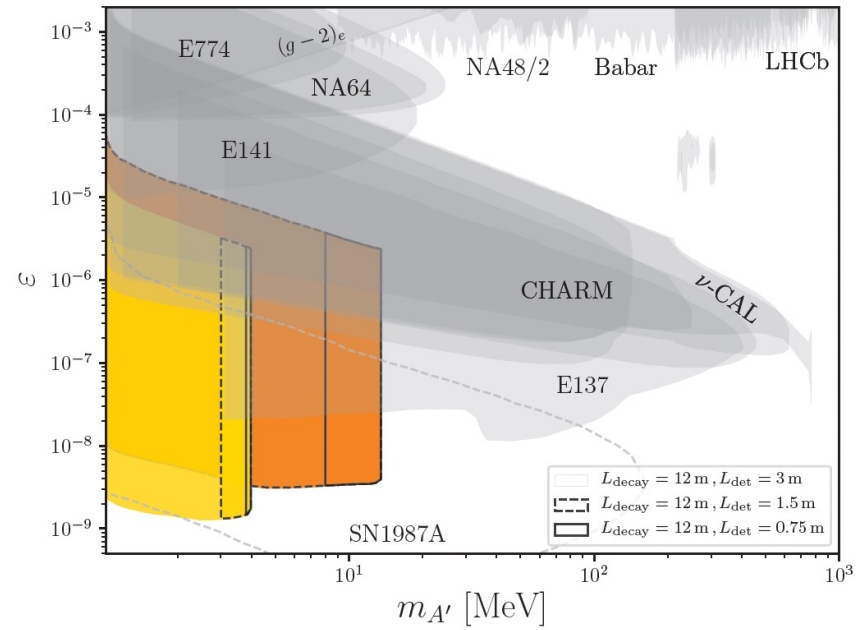
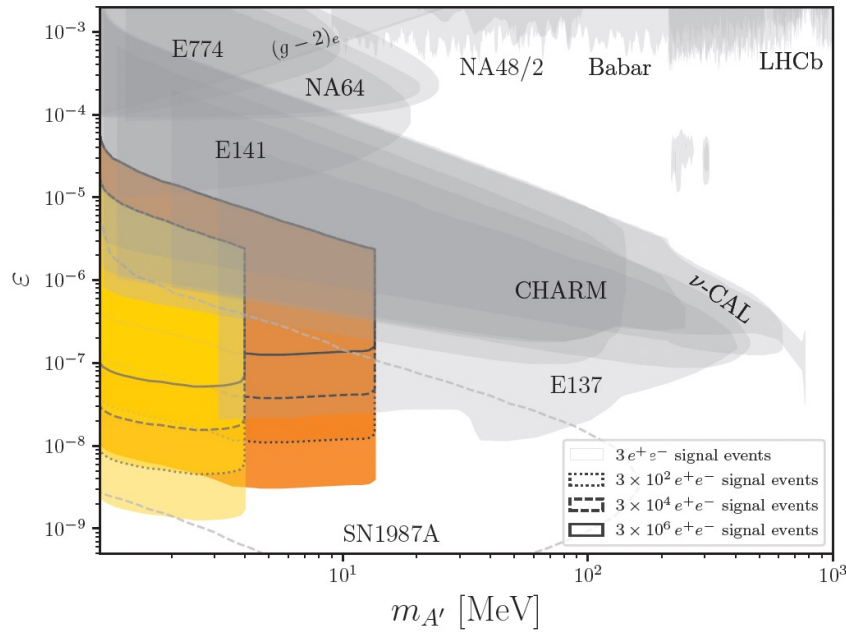


➤ reconversion: $aN \rightarrow \gamma N$ (B,C)



4.1 DM searches and studies (dark photon example)

arXiv:2105.10289v1 [hep-ph] 21 May 2021



4.2 Photon-beam-driven energy source studies

Best use of the CERN expertise to produce rather than buy the plug-power:

GF- Photon-beam-driven energy source (ADS)

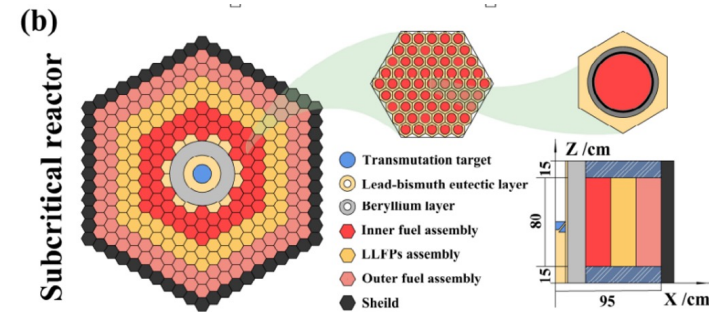
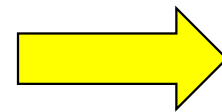
Satisfying three conditions:

- requisite power for the present and future CERN scientific programme
- operation safety (**a subcritical reactor**)
- efficient transmutation of the nuclear waste (**very important societal impact if demonstrated at CERN –given its reputation**)

	Cost-estimate /BCHF	AC-Power /MW	Comments
Infrastructure	5.5		100km tunnel and surface infrastructure
FCC-ee	5	260-350	+1.1BCHF for the Top stage (365GeV)
FCC-hh	17	580	

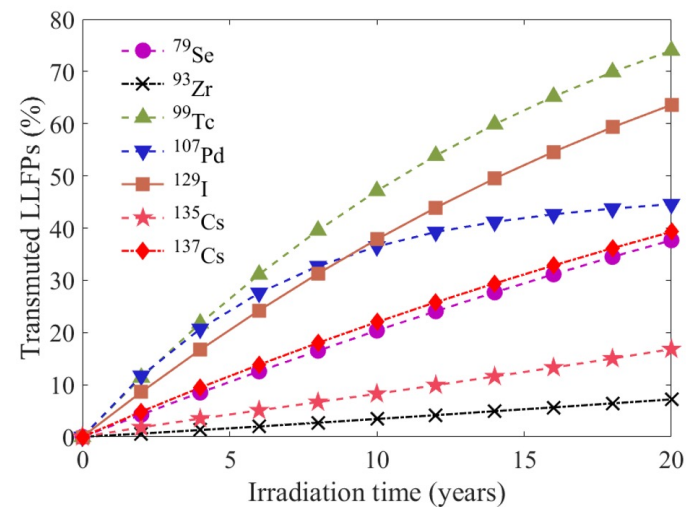
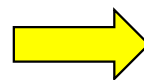
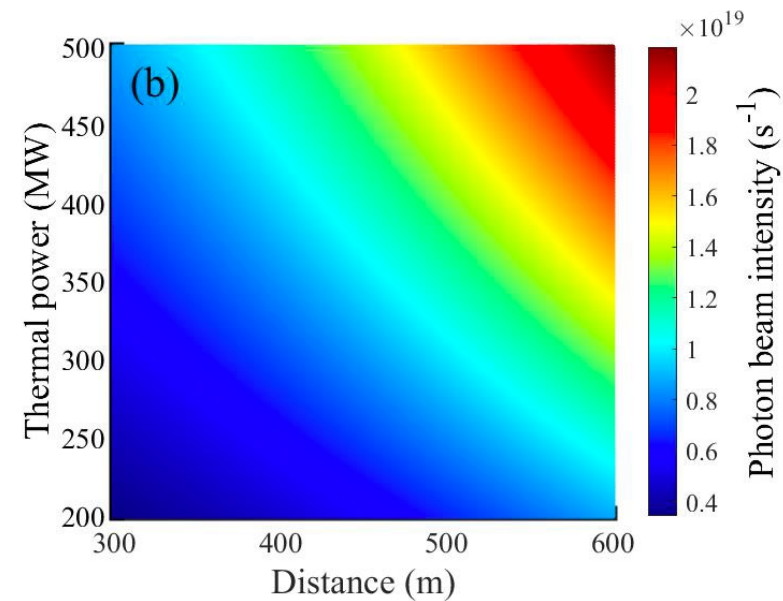
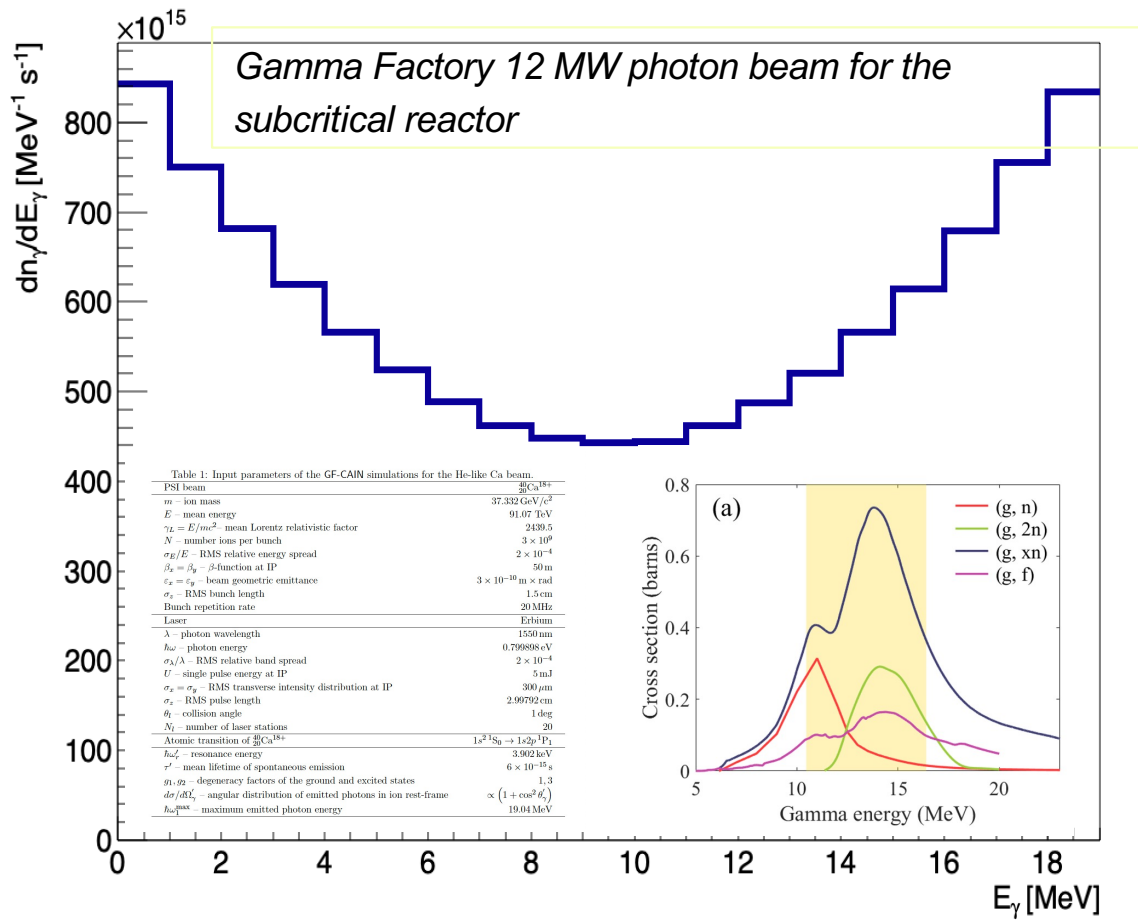
P. JANOT
 → Would require a 500m-wide band of solar panel along the FCC ring

P. JANOT
 → Would require 500 such turbines (one every 200m) along the FCC ring



APS April Meeting 2023
 Minneapolis, Minnesota (Apr 15-18)

M06 **Invited** Accelerate Solving Energy Crisis: From Fission to Fusion
 Room: MG Salon F - 3rd Floor **Sponsor:** DPB FIP **Chair:** Christine Darve, European Spallation Source
Invited Speakers: Hamid Ait Abderrahmane, Mieczyslaw Witold Krasny, Ahmed Diallo, Alireza Haghghat



Efficient transmutation of long-live fission products induced by

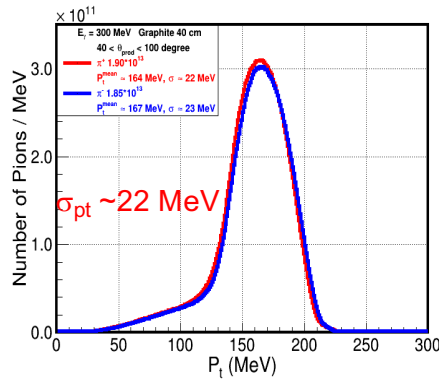
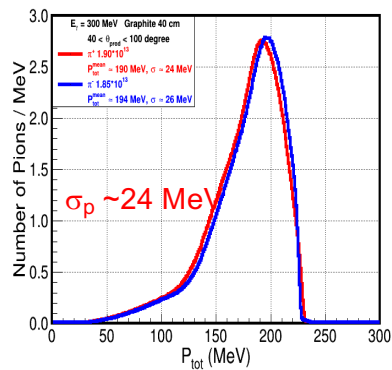
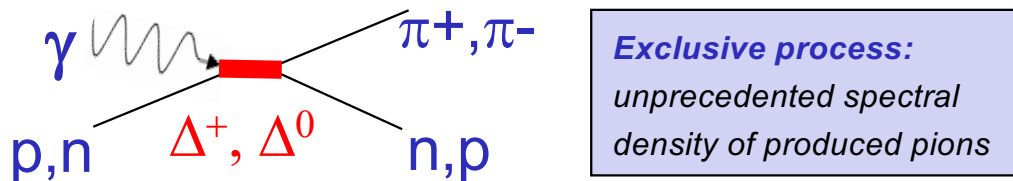
Gamma Factory gamma-ray beams

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X. M. Shi^{1,2}, K. J. Luo^{1,2} ... in preparation

5. Research programme with tertiary beams'

- **Polarised positrons** – potential gain of up to *a factor of 10^4* in intensity w.r.t. the KEK positron source, satisfying both the LEMMA muon–collider and the LHeC requirements
- **Muons** – potential gain by *a factor of 10^3* in intensity w.r.t. the PSI muon source, charge symmetry ($N_{\mu^+} \sim N_{\mu^-}$), polarisation control
- **Neutrinos** – fluxes comparable to NuMAX but: (1) *Very Narrow Band Beam*, driven by the small spectral density pion beam and (2) unique possibility of creating *flavour- and CP-tuned beams* driven by the beams of polarised muons
- **Neutrons** – a comparable neutron flux w.r.t the future neutron spallation sources e.g. at ESS – but quasi monoenergetic neutrons
- **Radioactive (neutron-rich) ions** – potential gain of up to *a factor 10^4* in intensity w.r.t. e.g. ALTO

Novel paradigm for high brightness μ and ν sources: resonant photo-excitation of Δ resonances



Muons	$r_\gamma \leq 5\text{mm}$	$r_\gamma \leq 10\text{mm}$
μ^-	$2.32 \times 10^{13} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$6.18 \times 10^{13} \text{ s}^{-1}$
μ^+	$2.50 \times 10^{13} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$6.79 \times 10^{13} \text{ s}^{-1}$

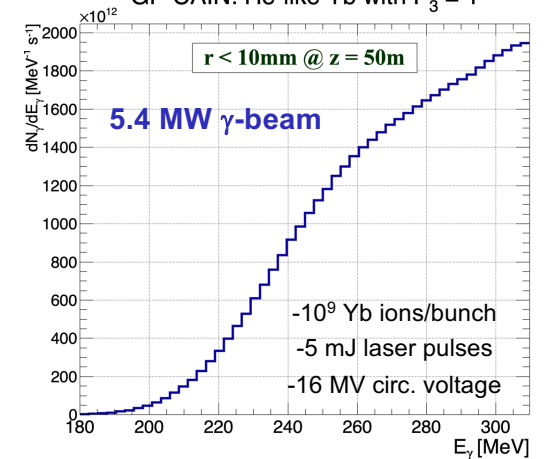
GF photon beam

For 1X0 graphite target
 $2\text{-}7 \times 10^{13} \mu^+$ and μ^- /s,
for 2-6 MW γ beam

Expected intensity jump
with respect to
HiMB@PSI prospects
>2025 – $1.2 \times 10^{11} \mu^+$ /s

GF, He-like
Yb-driven γ -beam

GF-CAIN: He-like Yb with $P_3^i = 1$



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Gamma Factory high-intensity muon and positron source: Exploratory studies

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The potential use of the Gamma Factory muon source:

- *Muonium studies*
- *Lepton universality*
- *Rare muon decays*
- *Neutrino factory*
- *Muon-catalysed nuclear fusion*
- *Atomic physics studies of muonium atoms*
- *Electroweak studies with muon atoms*
- *Measuring nuclear radius and neutron skin*
- *Muon collider???* – at present ☹

*Gamma Factory Proof-of-Principle
experiment at the SPS*

The remaining Gamma Factory R&D step – **the PoP experiment**

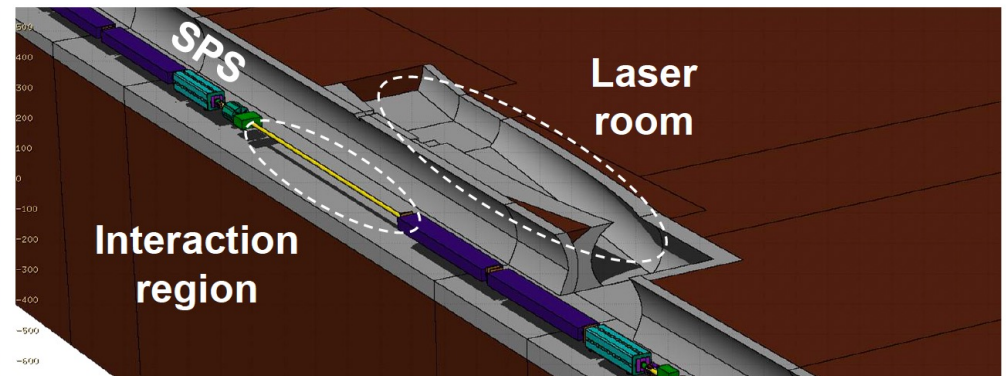
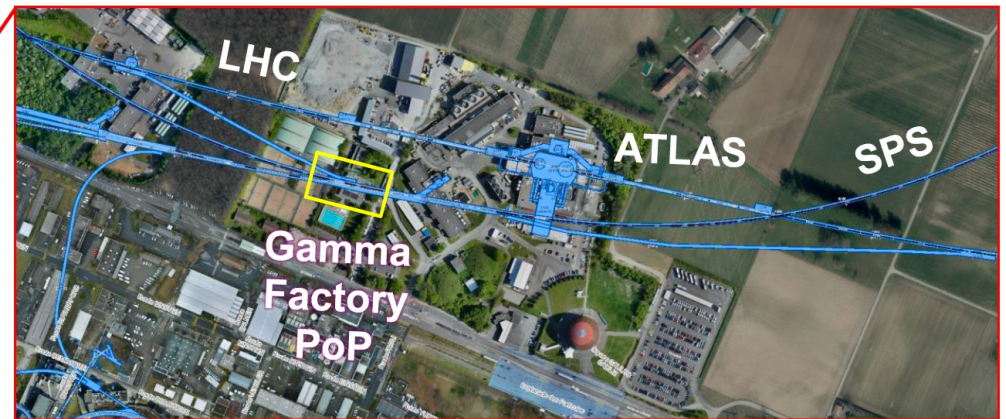
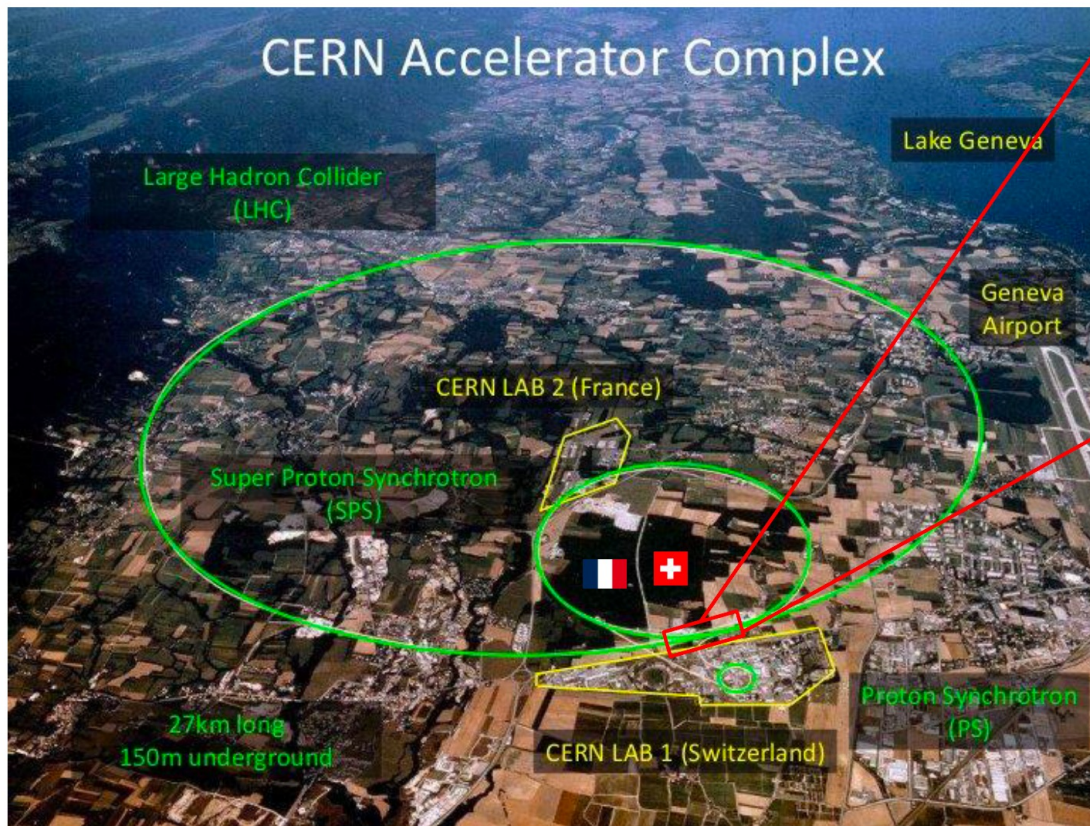
What has been achieved?

- *Demonstration of efficient production, storage and operation of the atomic beams in the SPS and LHC*
- *Demonstration of the stable, high power, laser photon beam storage in the Fabry-Perot cavity (world record of 500 kW stored power)*
- *Demonstration of the requisite precision of the beam steering in the collision point of laser pulses with atomic beam bunches*
- *Creation and benchmarking of the requisite software to simulate the production of the atomic beams, GF-photon beams and tertiary beams*

What remains to be done?

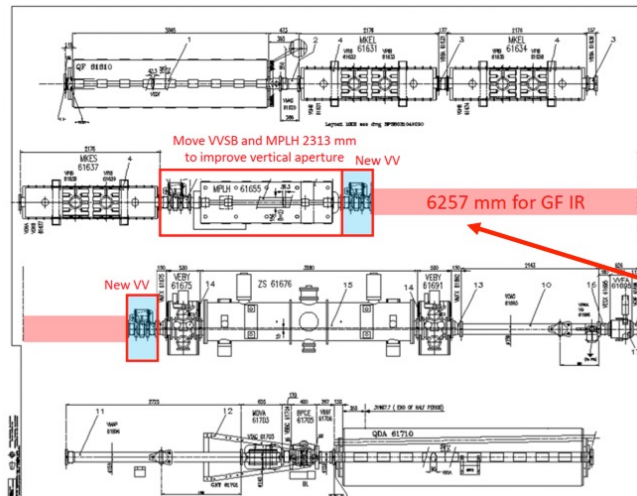
*Proof of the stable **remote** operation of the laser + FP system incorporated to hadronic rings
→ **Gamma Factory PoP experiment***

Gamma Factory Proof-of-Principle experiment location



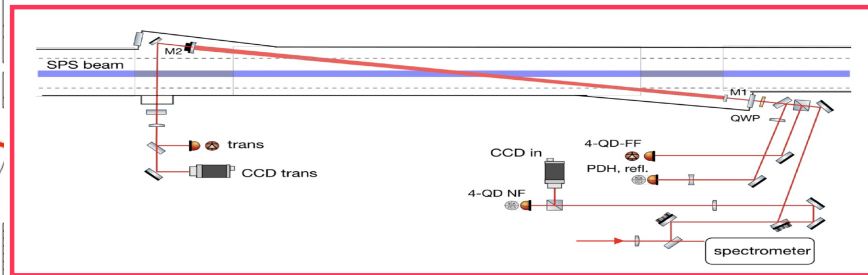
Gamma Factory Proof-of-Principle (PoP) SPS experiment

SPS LSS6 zone

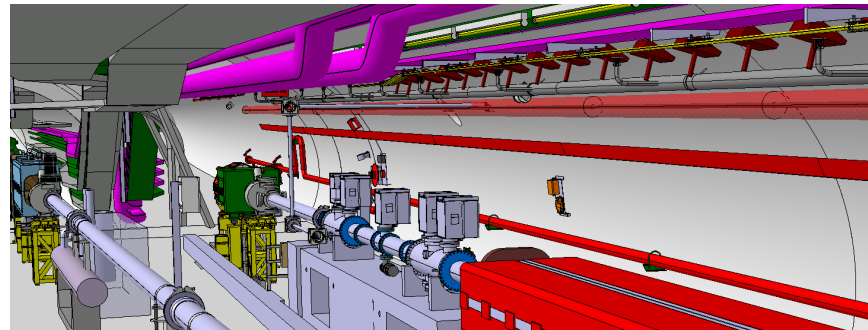


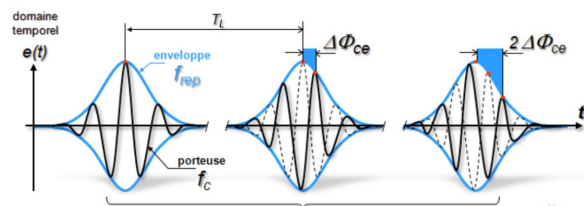
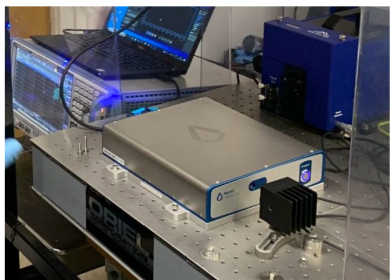
F-P cavity length – 3.75 m -- vertically tilted by 2..6 deg

F-P cavity



F-P cavity – “in beam” position





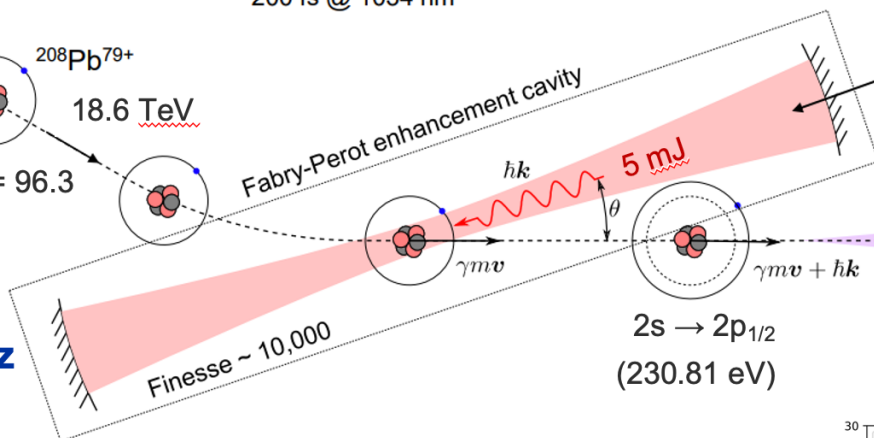
Ultra low-noise frequency comb
200 fs @ 1034 nm

Power amplifier to 100 W

2.5 μ J, 2.8 ps
40 MHz rep rate

5 mJ, 40 MHz
200 kW

SPS
 $^{208}\text{Pb}^{79+}$
18.6 TeV
 $Y_L = 96.3$



$$\gamma mv \gg \hbar k_1 \gg \hbar k$$

$$\hbar k_1$$

$$\gamma mv + \hbar k - \hbar k_1$$

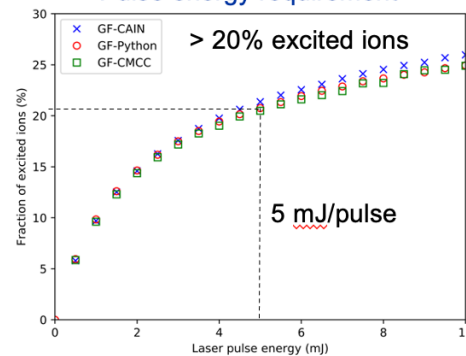
Up to 44 keV
 10^{15} ph/s
40 MHz rep rate

Gamma-ray output

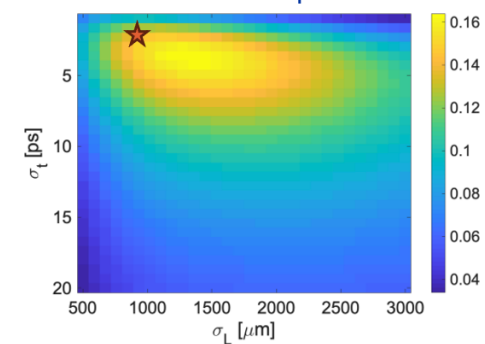
Frequency comb
linewidth < 2 kHz

"LIGO-type"
mirrors

Pulse energy requirement

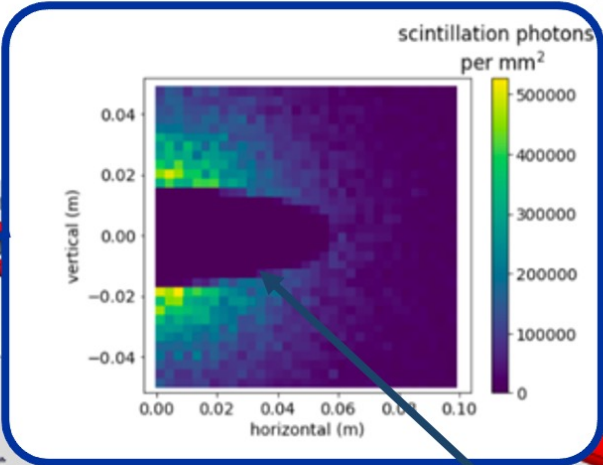
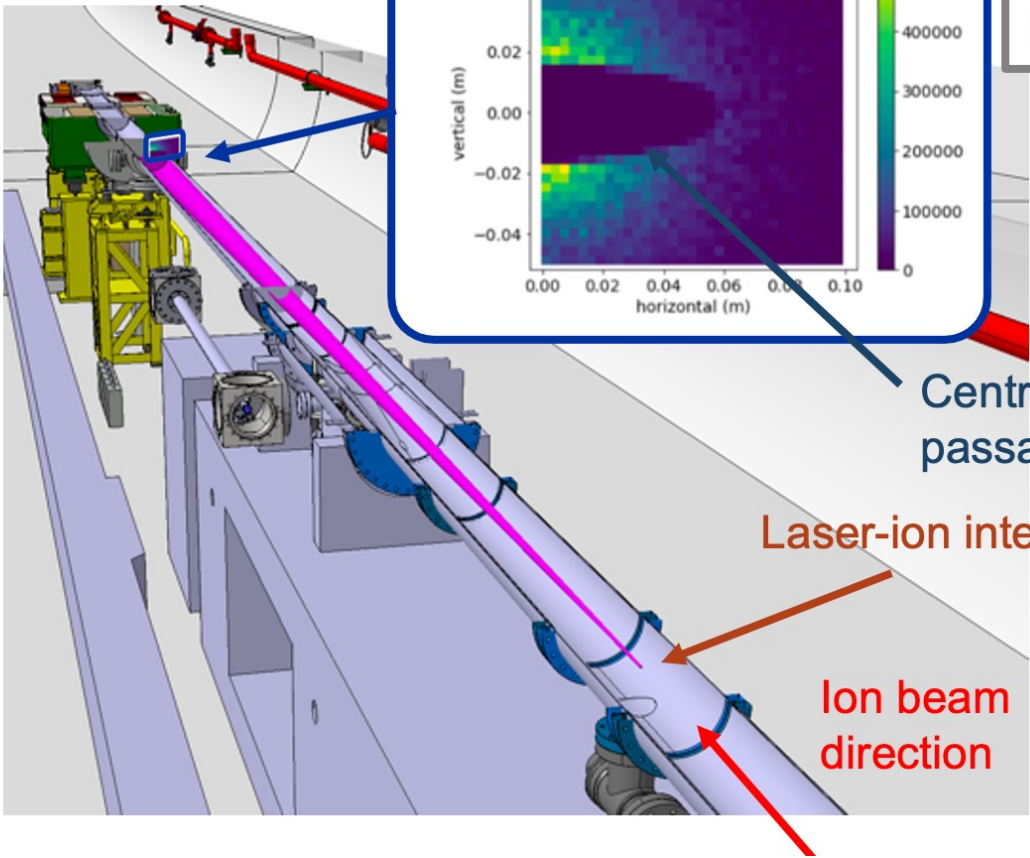


Pulse duration / spot size



'BTV' system: YAG:Ce + camera

Remotely controlled manipulator



Central opening for ion beam passage

Laser-ion interaction Point

Ion beam direction

GF Proof-of-Principle (PoP) experiment -- next steps

- *Ultra low-phase noise laser and amplification chain procurement and commissioning*
- *Laser photon beam transport system -- vibration tests, controls and diagnostic at IP (an experiment using a reference Fabry-Perot cavity and a single-frequency CW laser)*
- *Final design of the F-P cavity (beam impedance)*
- *Conversion of the TL18 area to a laser lab during LS3*
- *Installation of the F-P cavity in the SPS tunnel*
- *Installation of the BTV system and its associated cameras*
- *Initial phase of the of the GF PoP experiment: demonstrate full remote end-to-end operation of laser beams and Fabry-Perot cavity*
- *Advanced phase of the GF-PoP experiment: demonstrate beam cooling, atomic physics studies*

Conclusions and outlook

Conclusions

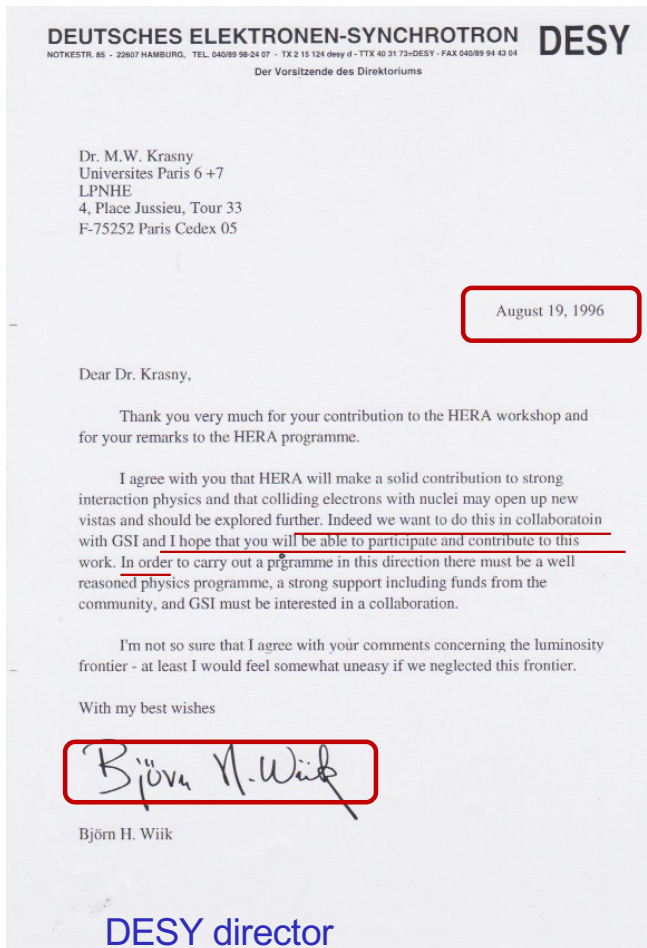
- ❑ *Gamma Factory can create, at CERN, a variety of novel research tools, which could open novel research opportunities in a very **broad domain of basic and applied science***
- ❑ *The Gamma Factory research programme can be **largely based on the existing CERN accelerator infrastructure** – it requires “relatively” minor infrastructure investments*
- ❑ *Its “**quest for diversity of research subjects and communities**” is of particular importance in the present phase of accelerator-based research, as we neither have any solid theoretical guidance for a new physics “just around the corner”, accessible by FCC, ILC, or CLIC, nor an established “reasonable cost” technology for a leap into very high energy “terra incognita”*
- ❑ *Gamma Factory project needs to make the last step in R&D studies and demonstrate its feasibility by the SPS GF-Proof-of-Principle experiment prior to reaching advanced phase of the HL-LHC programme – **the CERN management and wide scientific community support for this project is a “sine qua non” condition for its further development***

A lesson from DESY:

1995 – HERA needs substantial upgrade

- The DESY research programme must include a development of *high intensity sources* of both isoscalar ions (*including deuterium*) and the highest Z ions, and their *low emittance pre-injector(s)*
- One of its detectors for must have *a full 4π acceptance* (*allowing to detect all the fragments of the nucleus*)
- The “HERA leg” of this programme requires *a factor of $O(100)$ increase of the collider luminosity* :
 - statistics: F_2^c , F_2^b , F_L , EW, multidimensional studies
 - systematics: drastic reduction of syst. errors (e.g. x and Q2 scans at fixed theta as a unction of $(E_n E_e)$)
- RHIC expected to start in 2000 and the LHC in 2006 → the DESY QCD program -- capable to provide a vital input for the interpretation of the RHIC and the LHC data -- *must start before (or soon after) RHIC and LHC became operational*

A lesson from DESY (the need for the plan B,C,...)



Bjorn Wiik plan B: strong (even if hidden) support for the joint DESY/GSI QCD-Lab project (if TESLA project is not approved)

- *B. Wiik's unfortunate accident (TESLA abandoned)*
- *GSI started working towards a local FAIR PROJECT (low energy, QCD nonperturbative regime), European ELFE groups joined the CEBAF program*
- *The electron-ion collider concept exported to US (thanks to a strong commitment to this project by Peter Paul – the BNL director → at the moment the leading financed (2.5×10^9 \$) accelerator project in the US)*
- *End of the HEP era at DESY*