# Introduction to Accelerators

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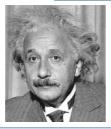
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# Matter versus Energy



 $E = m c^2$ 

During the Big Bang Energy was transformed in matter

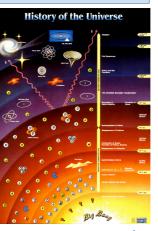


In our accelerators we provide energy to the particle we accelerate.

In the detectors we observe the matter

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# Looking to smaller dimensions

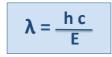


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#### Visible light $\lambda = 400 \implies 700 \text{ nm}$







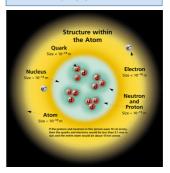
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X-ray  $\lambda = 0.01 \rightarrow 10 \text{ nm}$ 





#### **Particle accelerators** $\lambda < 0.01 \text{ nm}$



Increasing the energy will reduce the wavelength

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# Fixed Target vs. Colliders



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#### **Fixed Target**





Much of the energy is lost in the target and only part is used to produce secondary particles CAS - 1 September 2014 Prague - Czech republic

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#### Collider



$$E = E_{beam1} + E_{beam2}$$

All energy will be available for particle production

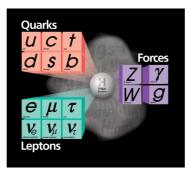


### The Aim



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Verify the Standard Model



Discover the Higgs boson

Search for physics beyond the Standard Model
Such as dark matter

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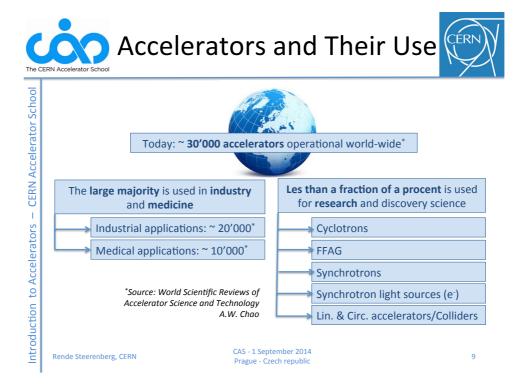


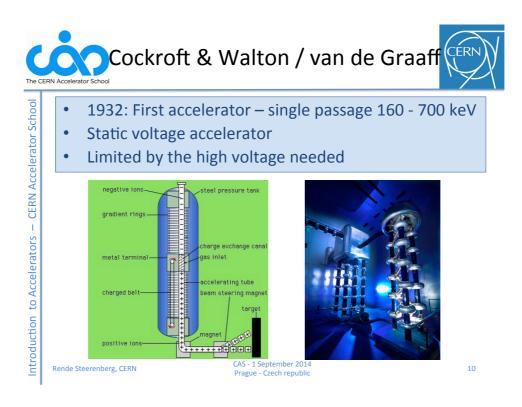


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# Cyclotron



- 1932: 1.2 MeV 1940: 20 MeV (E.O. Lawrence, M.S. Livingston)
- · Constant magnetic field
- · Alternating voltage between
- Increasing particle trajectory radius
- Development lead to the synchro-cyclotron to cope with the relativistic effects.

In 1939 Lawrence received the Noble prize for his work.



Square wave electric field accelerates charge at each gap crossing.

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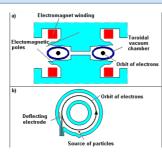
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#### **Betatron**



- 1940: Kerst 2.3 MeV and very quickly 300 MeV
- It is actually a transformer with a beam of electrons as secondary winding.
- The magnetic field is used to bend the electrons in a circle, but also to accelerate them.
- A deflecting electrode is use to deflect the particle for extraction.





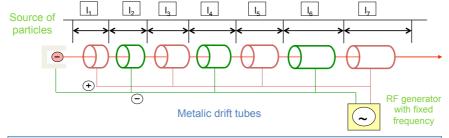
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**Linear Accelerator** 



- Many people involved: Wideroe, Sloan, Lawrence, Alvarez,....
- Main development took place between 1931 and 1946.
- Development was also helped by the progress made on high power high frequency power supplies for radar technology.
- Today still the first stage in many accelerator complexes.
- Limited by energy due to length and single pass.

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# **Synchrotrons**



- 1959: CERN-PS and BNL-AGS
- Fixed radius for particle orbit
- · Varying magnetic field and radio frequency
- Phase stability
- Important focusing of particle beams (Courant - Snyder)
- Providing beam for fixed target physics
- Paved the way to colliders





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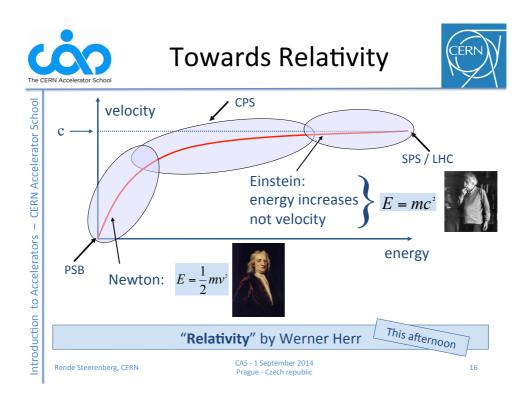


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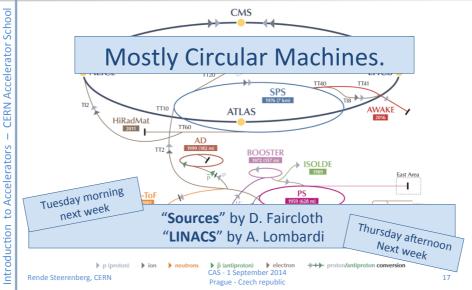
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# The CERN Accelerator Complex







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### A Guided Tour



Lets have a look at a synchrotron:

- Identify the different components and processes
- Briefly address their function

As an example I took a machine at CERN that can be seen from the top, even when it is running.

# LEIR Low Energy Ion Ring

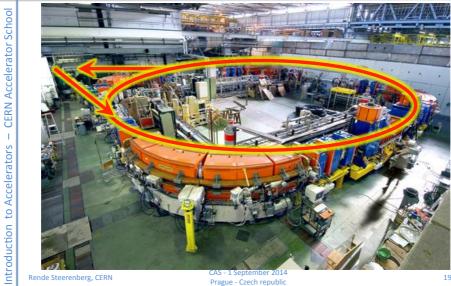
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# CERN - LEIR as an Example

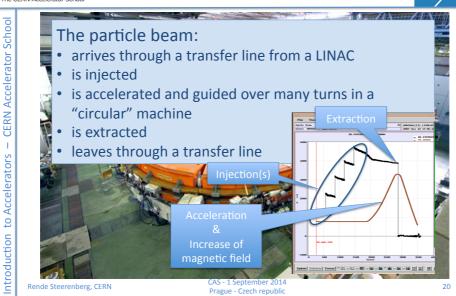






# LEIR as an Example



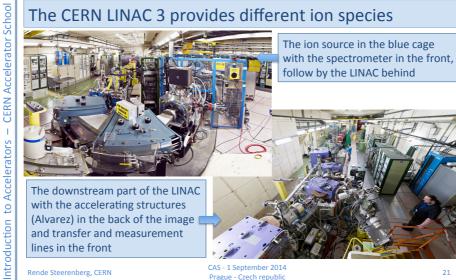




# LINAC 3, injector of LEIR







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# LINAC Accelerating Structure



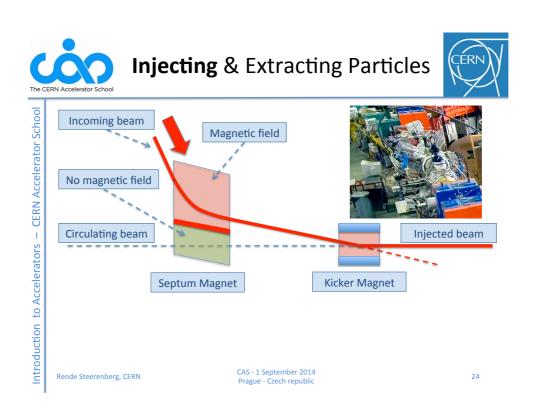


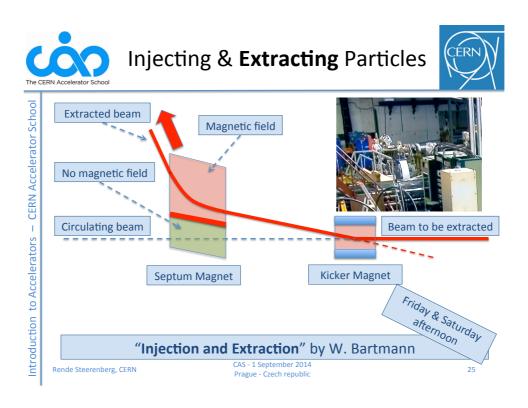
#### The CERN LINAC 4 drift tube

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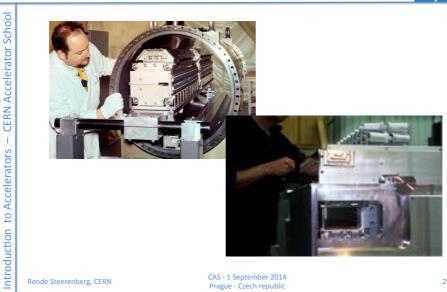




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# Septum and Kicker Magnets

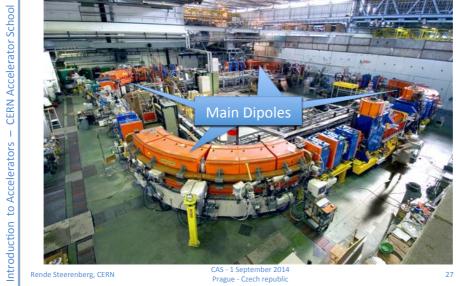






# Make Particles Circulate

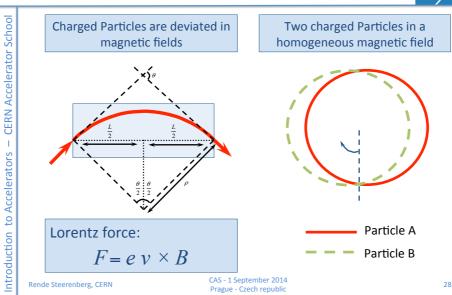






# **Charged Particles Deviated**

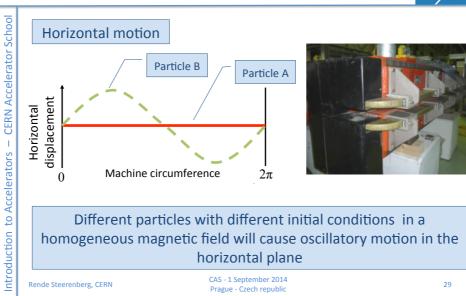






### **Oscillatory Motion of Particles**

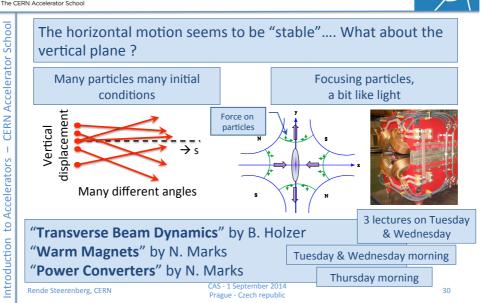






### **Oscillatory Motion of Particles**







# Focusing the Particles







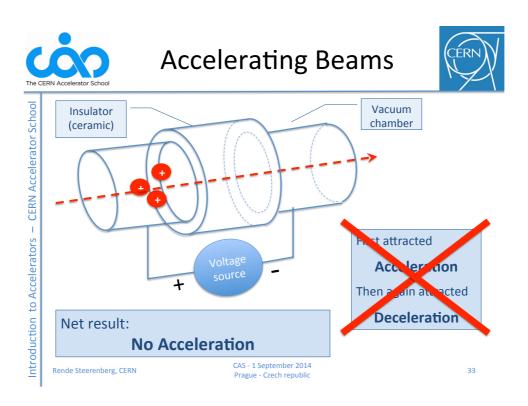
# **Accelerating Particles**

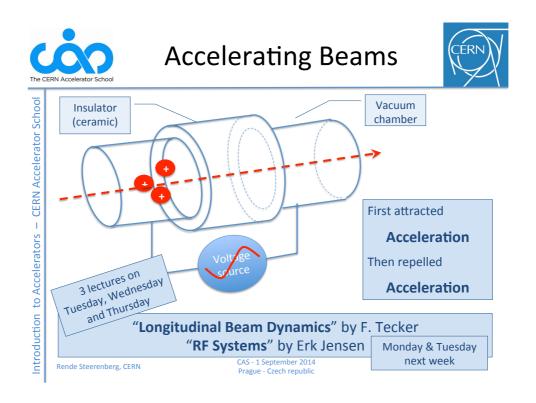




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# Some RF Cavities and feedbacks







Fixed frequency cavities (SC) in the LHC



Variable frequency cavities (NC) in the PS

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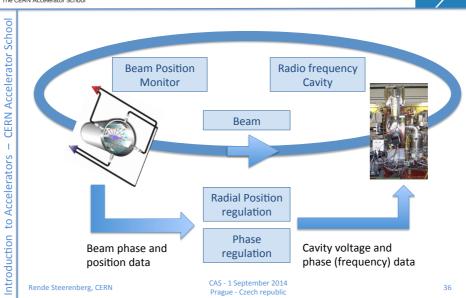
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# **RF Beam Control**







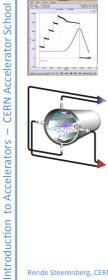
# **Measuring Beam Characteristics**





Beam intensity or current measurement:

- Working as classical transformer
- Beam act as primary winding



#### Beam position/orbit measurement:



Correcting orbit using automated beam steering

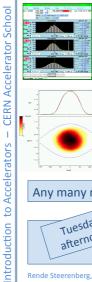
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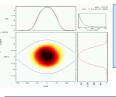
### **Measuring Beam Characteristics**





Transverse beam profile/size measurement:

- Secondary Emission Grids
- (Fast) Wire scanners



Longitudinal beam profile/size measurement:

- · Tomogram using wall current monitor data
- Use synchrotron motion for reconstruction

Any many more beam properties.....



"Beam Instrumentation" by E Holzer "Beam Diagnostics" by U. Raich

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#### **Possible Limitations**





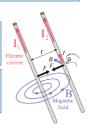
Machines and elements cannot be built and aligned with infinite perfection

Same phase and frequency for driving force and the system can cause resonances



Neighbouring charges with the same polarity experience repelling forces

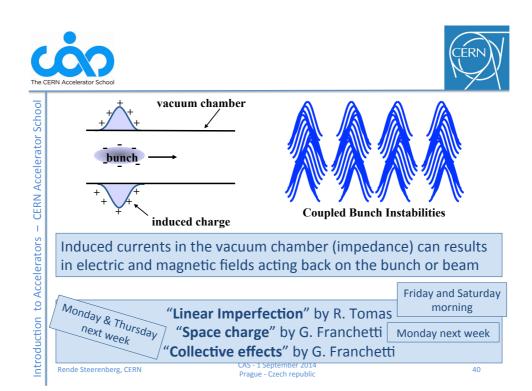
Parallel moving particles create parallel currents, resulting in attracting or repelling magnetic fields



These effect can degrade beam quality and increase losses

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# **Special Systems**



Ever increasing energies and beam intensities, require specials techniques Super conducting magnets, with 8 T or even 11 T instead of 2 T for normal conducting magnets, requiring cryogenics High stored beam energies require sophisticated machine protection systems Wednesday "SC Magnets" by L. Bottura morning "Machine Protection" by I. Strasik CAS - 1 September 2014 Prague - Czech republic Rende Steerenberg, CERN



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# QUESTIONS ?

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