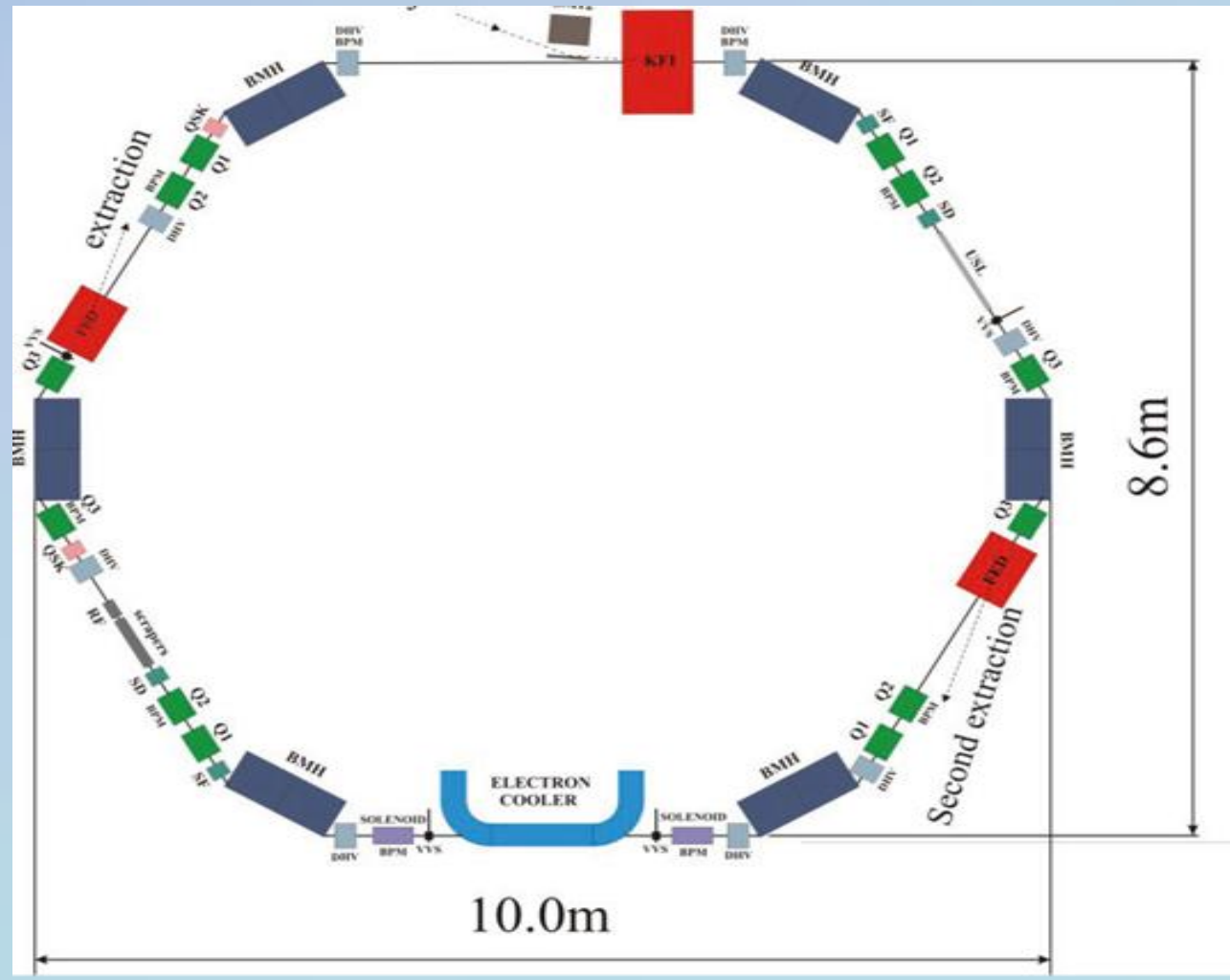


## Abstract

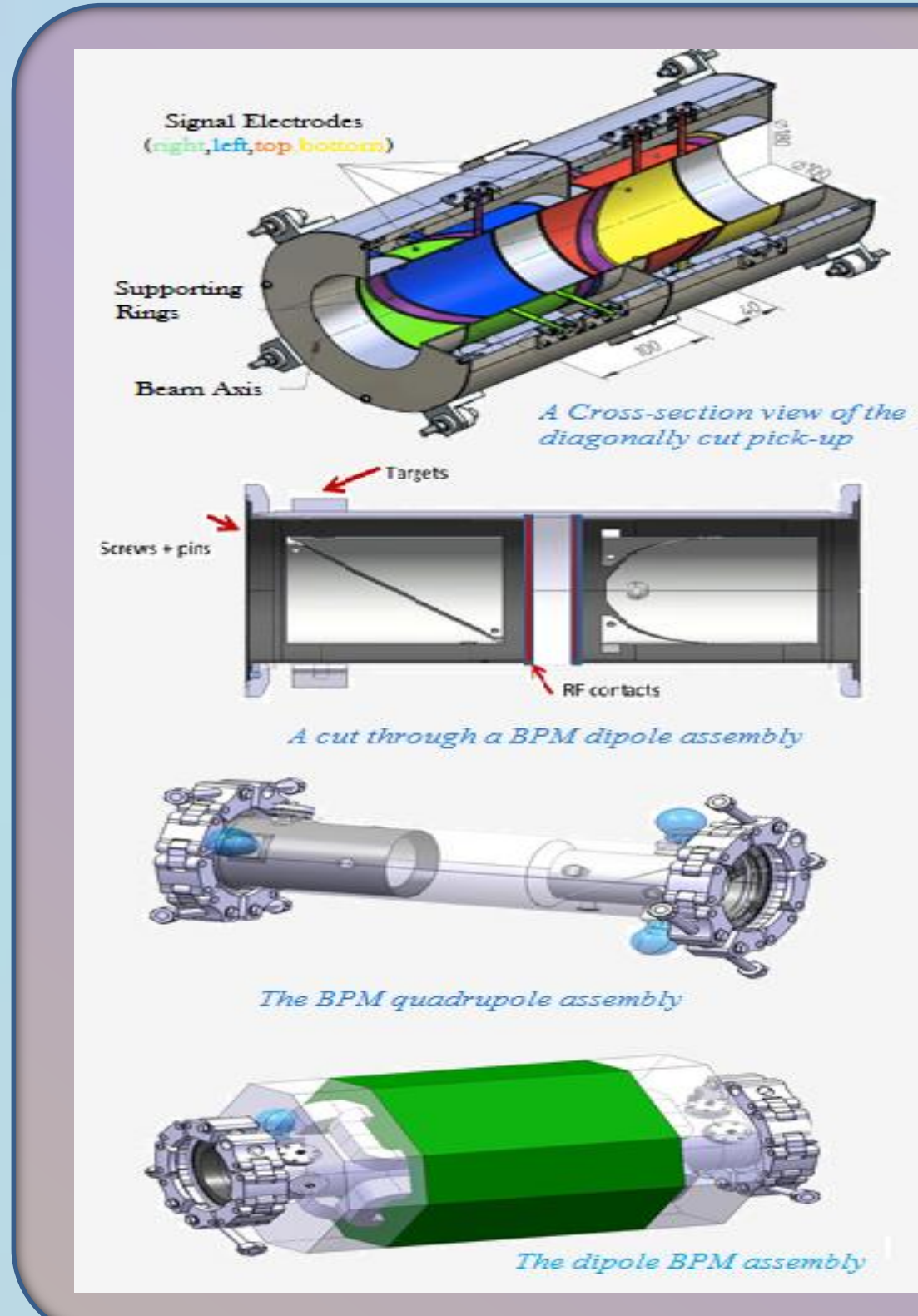
Beams of cooled antiprotons at keV energies shall be provided by the Ultra-low energy Storage Ring (USR) at the Facility for Low energy Antiproton and Ion Research (FLAIR) and the Extra Low Energy Antiproton ring (ELENA) at CERN's Antiproton Decelerator (AD) facility. Both storage rings put challenging demands on the beam position monitoring (BPM) system as their capacitive pick-ups should be capable of determining the beam position of beams at low intensities and low velocities, close to the noise level of state-of-the-art electronics. Here, we describe the design and anticipated performance of BPMs for low-energy ion beams with a focus on the ELENA orbit measurement systems. We also present the particular challenges encountered in the numerical simulation of pickup response at very low beta values. Finally, we provide an outlook on how the implementation of faster algorithms for the simulation of BPM characteristics could potentially help speed up such studies considerably.

## Design & Specifications



A schematic view of the layout of the ELENA ring

ELENA is a compact storage ring, which shall slow down antiprotons up to 100 keV. The total number of extracted antiprotons is estimated to be ~2.10<sup>7</sup>.



- The ELENA BPM system is based on 20 cylindrical diagonally cut electrodes.
- The electrodes are mounted inside quadrupole and dipole magnets by ceramic supports.
- Difference and sum signals read from the electrodes will be digitized and provide beam position information along the ELENA ring.

BPM Mechanical Dimension		BPM Requirements	
Electrode inner diameter	66mm	Resolution	0.1mm
Electrode thickness	1mm	Accuracy	0.3-0.5mm
Electrode to support tube gap	10mm	Precision	0.1mm
Support tube inner diameter	88mm	Max. Beam displacement	33mm
Support tube thickness	1mm	Time Resolution	~10ms
Vacuum tube thickness	1.5mm	Revolution Frequencies	1k-145kHz
Feed through flanges	DN16CF	Overall maximum length	400mm
Electrode length	120mm	Inner diameter	66mm
Overall length, Dipole	340.5mm	Bake out temperature	250C
Overall length, quadrupole	432.5	Vacuum	3x10 <sup>-12</sup> Torr

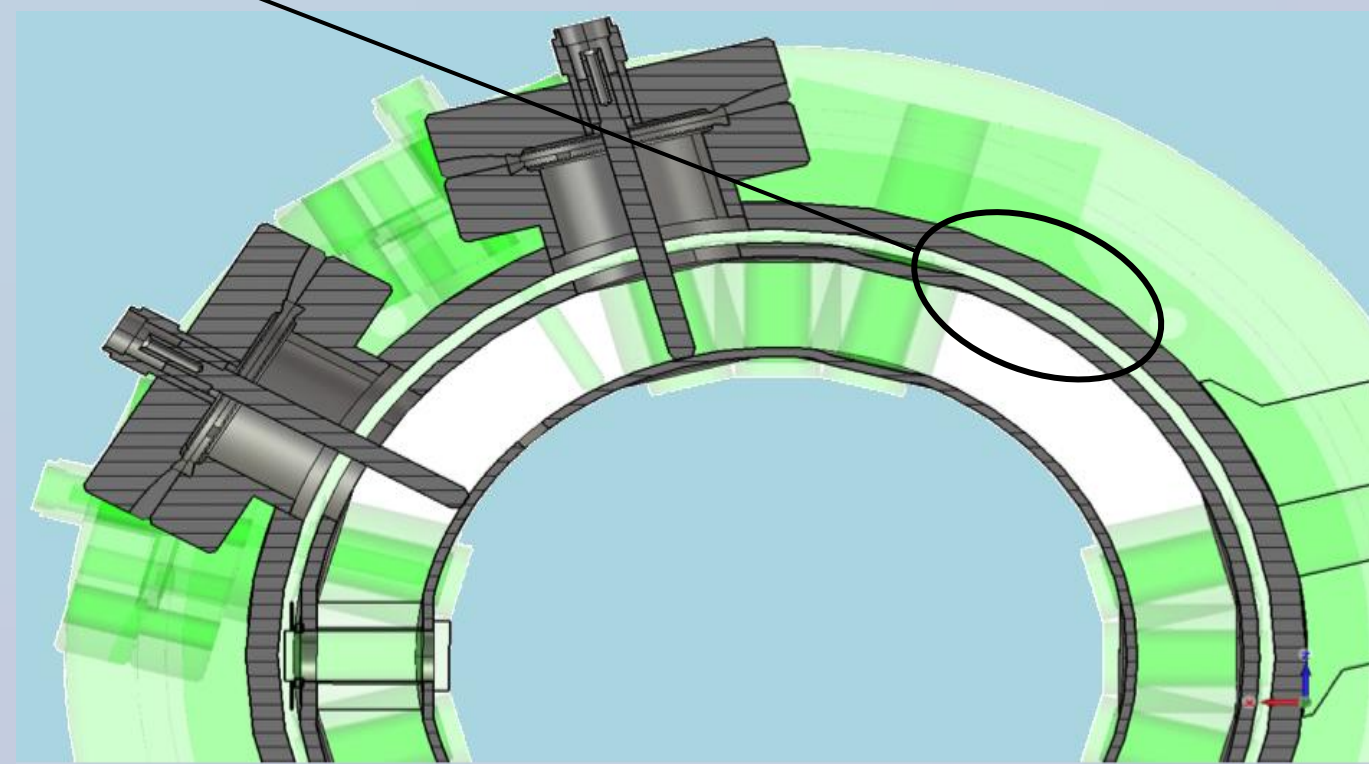
## Electromagnetic Simulations & Challenges

### Ultimate Aim

To achieve convergence for different mesh counts for non relativistic beams.

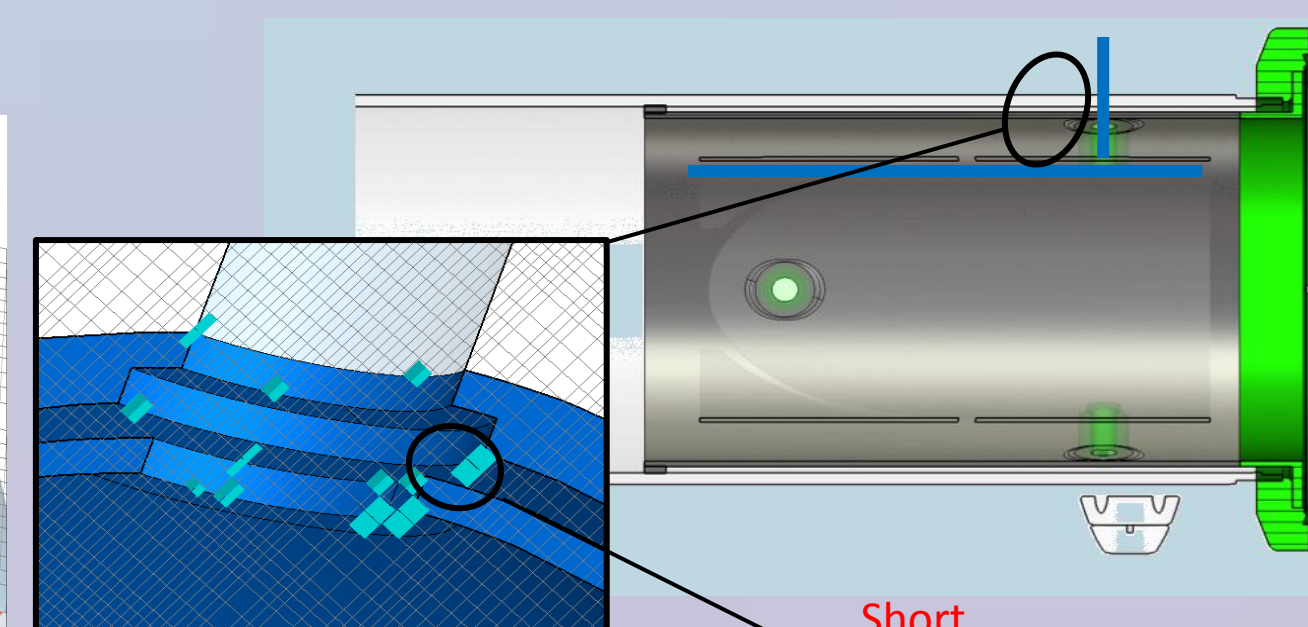
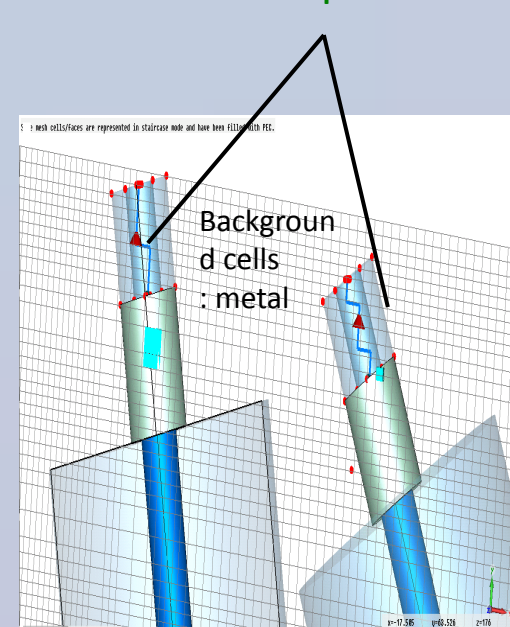
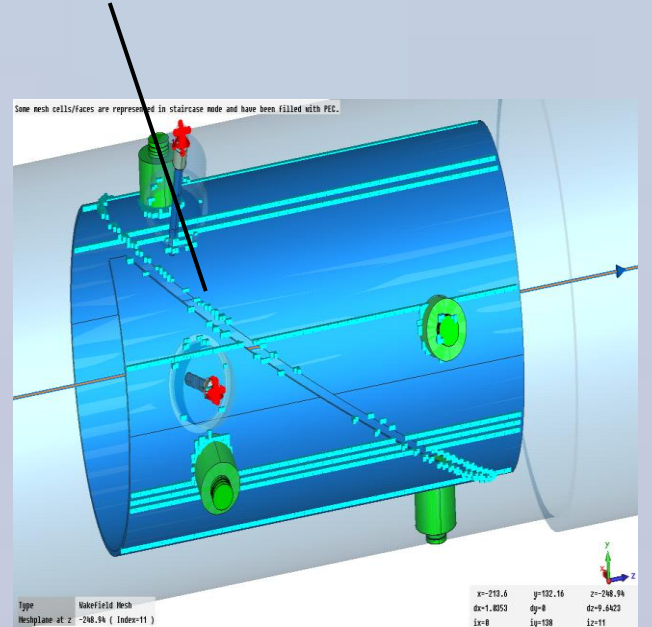
The structure contains a very thin interlayer of vacuum (1.5 mm)

- This interlayer is important to simulate correctly as it can cause trapped modes and thus reflections in the transmission line.



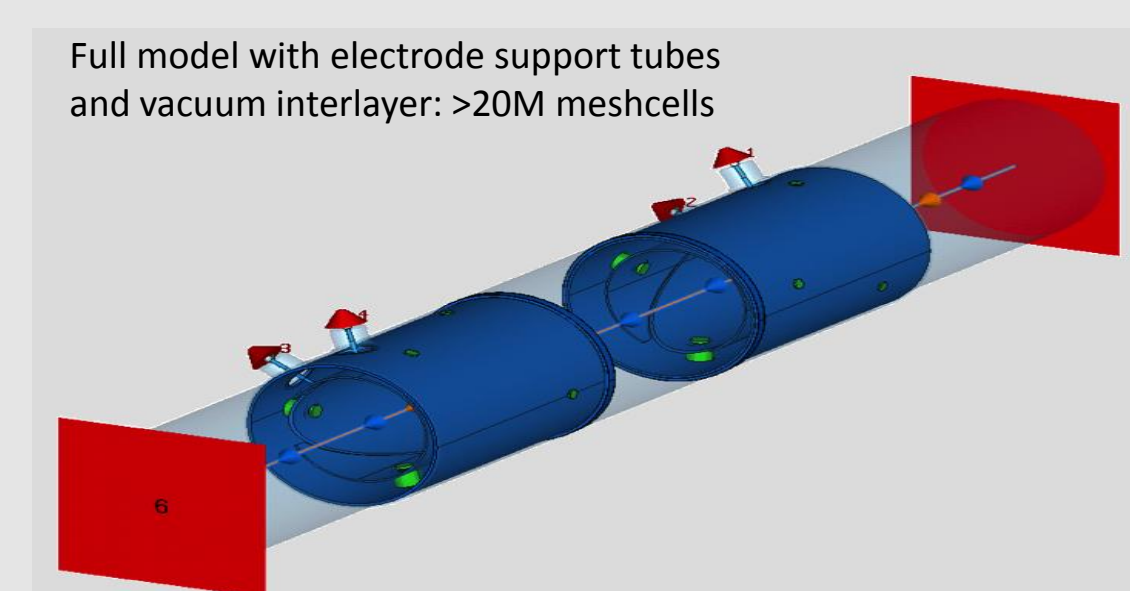
Requires denser meshing

Discrete ports

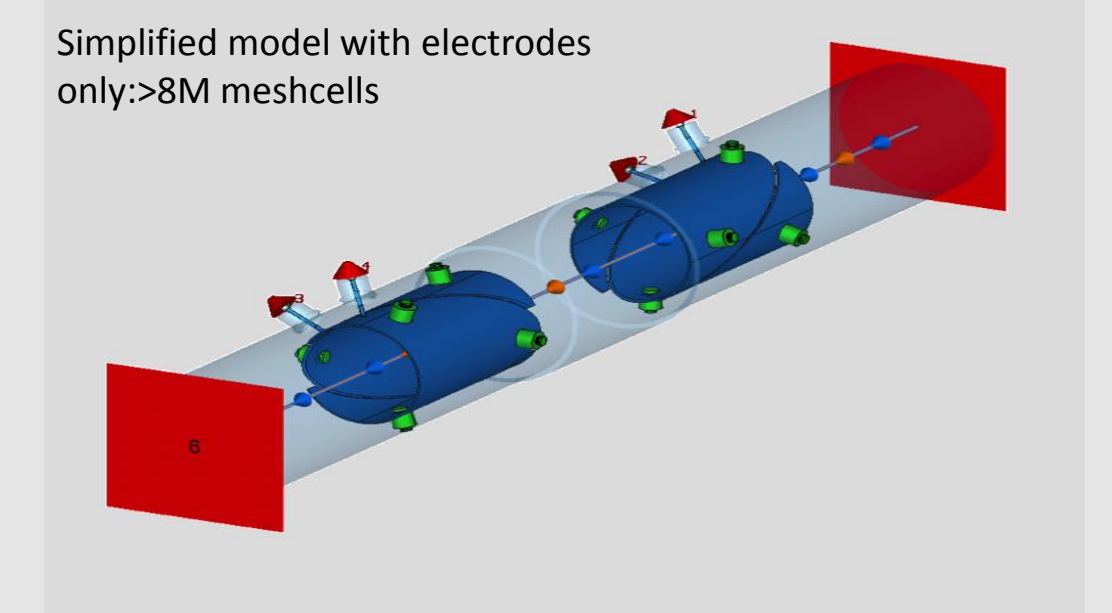


- It requires **very dense meshing** to avoid short-circuits within cubical mesh cells.

### Simplified EM versions of the mechanical model: NO CONVERGENCE!

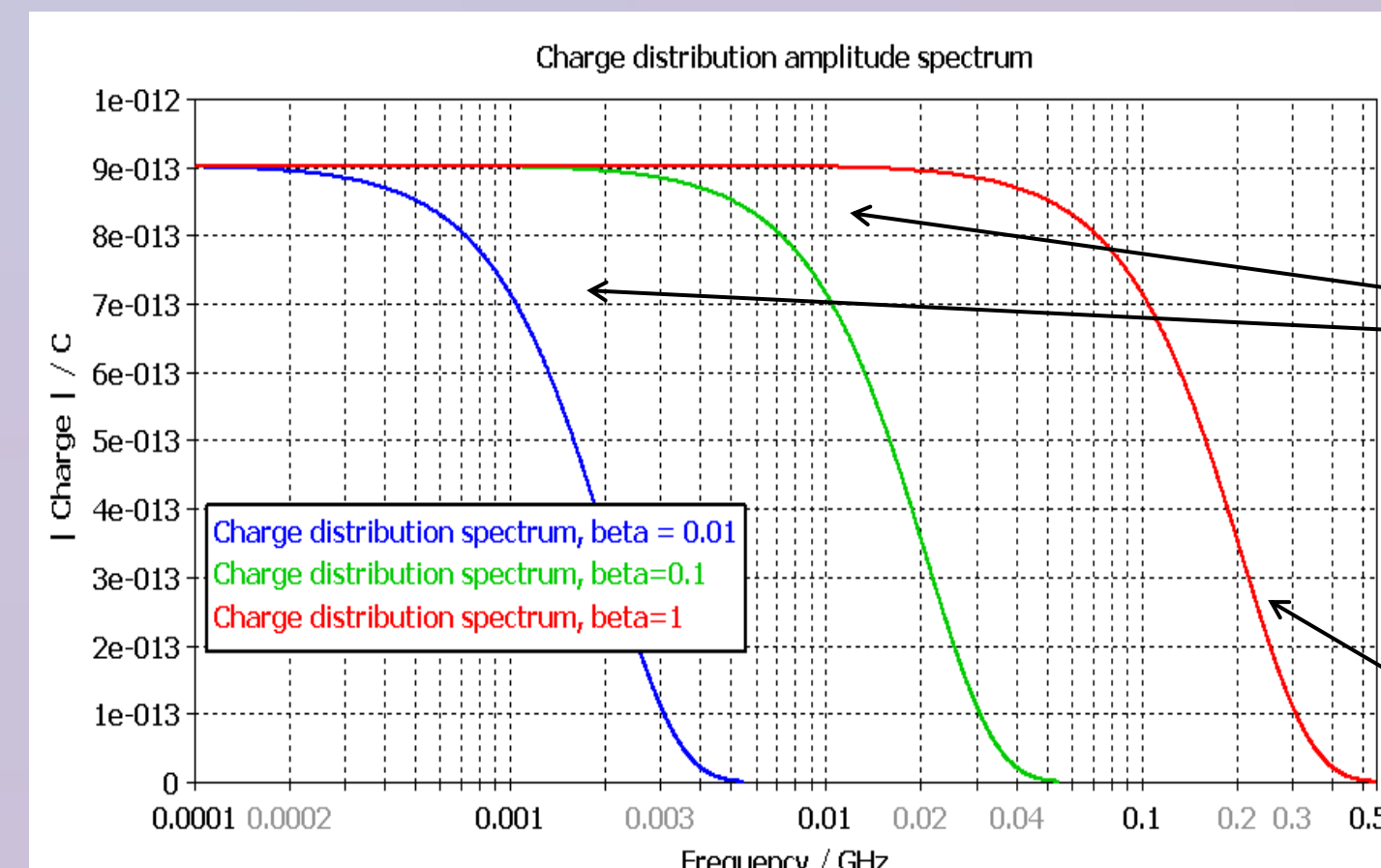


19h of computation time on 32 cores.  
 Wake-Loss-Factor: 5.3e-001 V/pC  
 Correct Feedthrough readings  
 ERROR in wake calculation!



8h of computation on 2 cores  
 Wake-Loss-Factor: 7.13e-004 V/pC  
 Short-circuited Feedthrough (bad mesh)  
 REALISTIC wake calculation

### Single Bunch Excitation



#### Requirement:

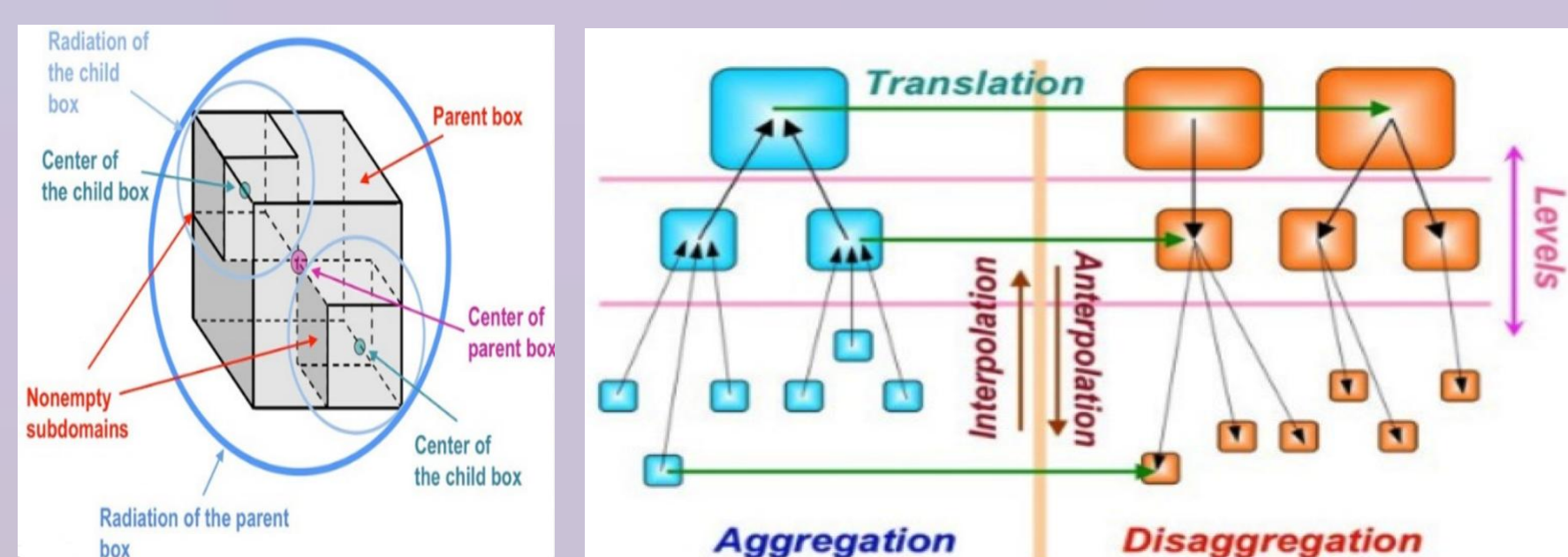
- Charge: 1E7 p- = -1.6E-12 C
- Length: truncated gaussian [-2s, 2s] or 1.3 m for s = 325 mm
- Velocity: b = between 0.01 and 0.1

#### Possible simulation with CST PS:

- Charge: 1E7 p- = -1.6E-12 C
- Length: gaussian shape [-5s, 5s] or 11 ns, or 3.25 m, for s = 325 mm
- Velocity: b = 1

## Simulation Environment based on MLFMA

MLFMA enables the solution of large problems by reducing the complexity of MVMs from  $O(N^2)$  to  $O(N \log N)$  or  $O(N \log^2 N)$ .



- The algorithm is Based on a hierarchical decomposition of a cube named as the oct-tree grouping.
- Group center to center distances are fixed at each level.
- One set of translation operators need to be cached, dramatically reducing memory.

### Challenges with MLFMA

- MLFMA works with models based on WAVES.
- MLFMA works for waves travelling with speed of light.
- In MLFMA dielectrics are used instead of vacuum.
- MLFMA suffers from low frequency breakdown.
- MLFMA could also become ill conditioned for small geometrical shaped objects.

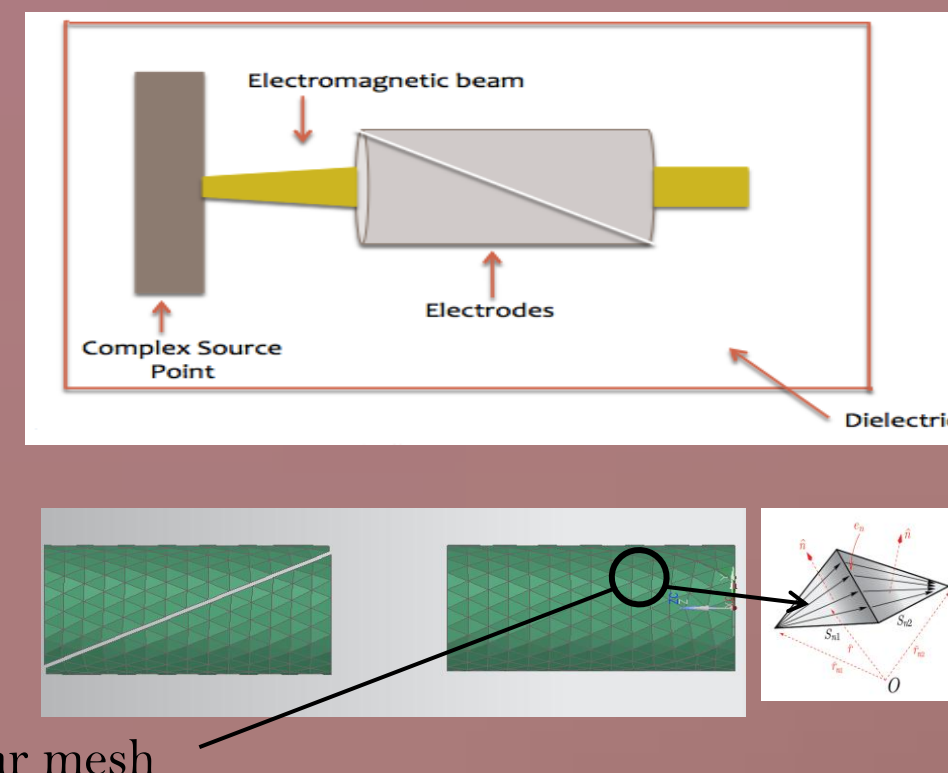
### Mathematical Modeling

In order to obtain an electromagnetic beam, which satisfies Maxwell's equations exactly, an ideal dipole can be located at

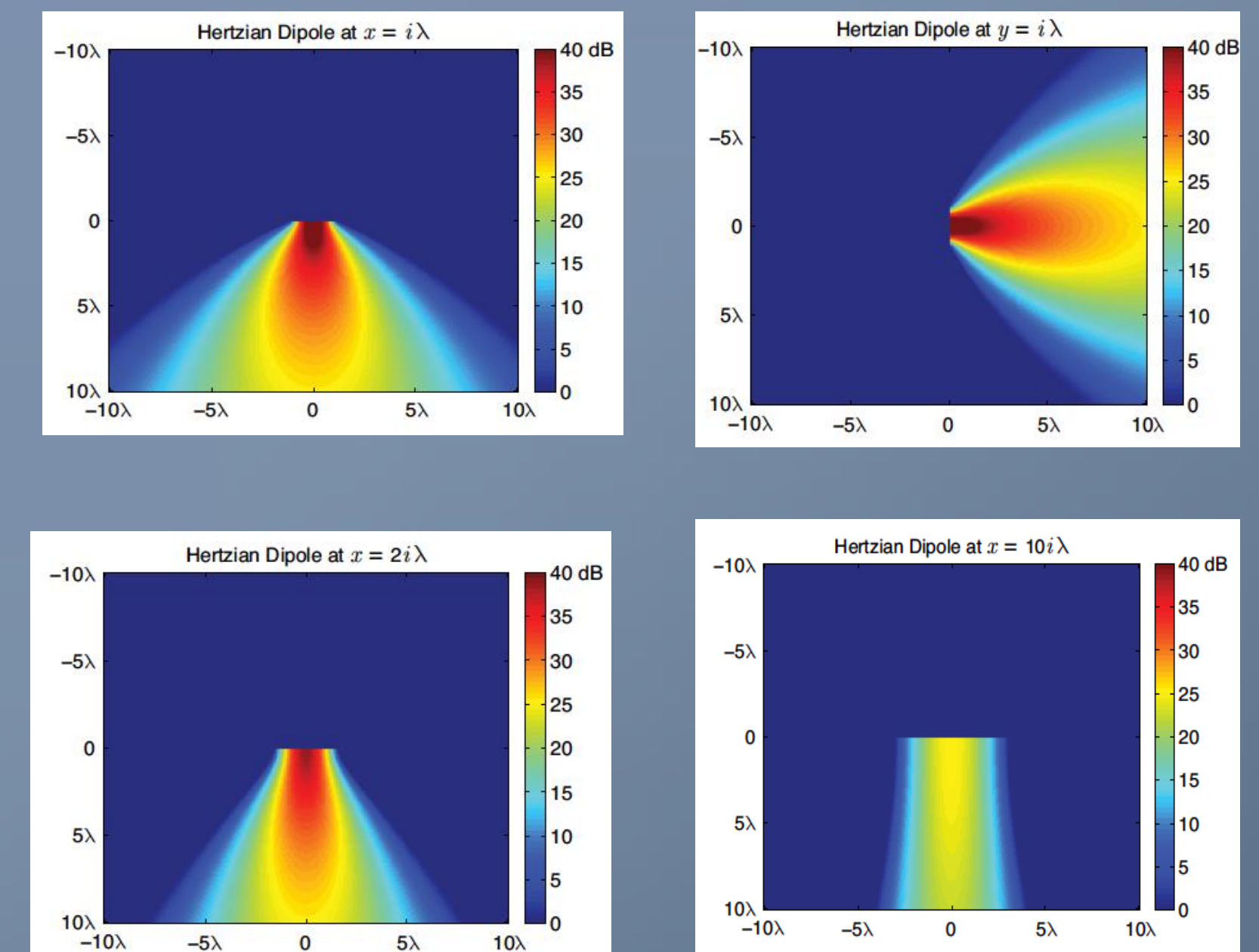
$$r_d = r_{d,R} + i r_{d,I}$$

In Complex Coordinates.

Then the electromagnetic fields can be found at any point r



### Experiments with Hertzian Dipole to obtain the required beam width



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