

# Introduction to electron cooling

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# Why beam cooling

## What it does

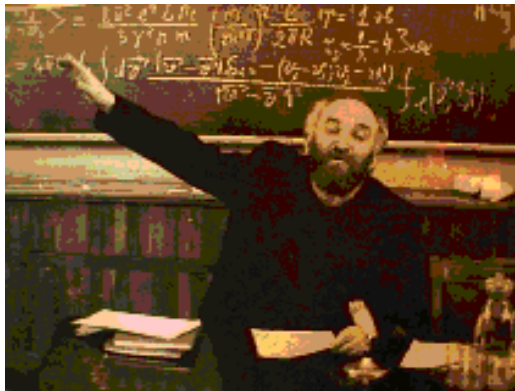
- Reduces beam emittance  $\Rightarrow$  transverse beam size and divergence
- Reduces momentum spread

## Applications

- Compensation of various heating effects acting on a circulating beam (mismatch, space charge, intra-beam scattering, internal targets, residual gas, external noise)
  - Compensate or reduce momentum spread growth  better energy resolution
  - Compensate or reduce emittance blow up  higher luminosity for experiments
  - Makes beam accumulation possible (stacking) 

Also see: Hans Stockhorst, slide 2, 6 and Mei Bai, slides 27-28

# Idea of electron cooling



*G.I. Budker is discussing electron cooling*

*Electron cooling was proposed by G.I. Budker in 1965 as a method for preparing of the beams for a hadron collider. The electron beam moving with the same average velocity as proton beam absorbs the kinetic energy of heavy particles (protons or ions).*

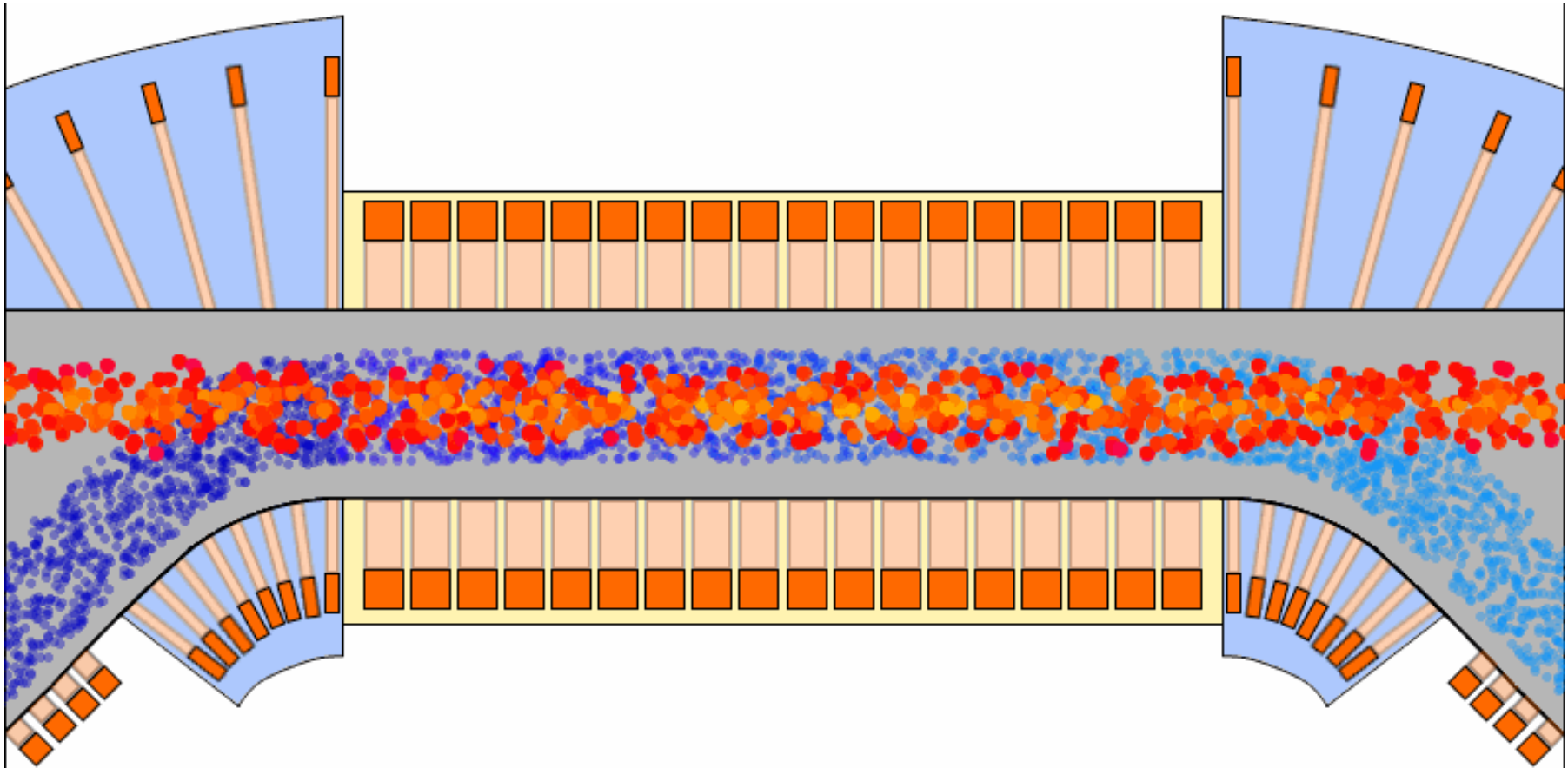
AN EFFECTIVE METHOD OF DAMPING PARTICLE OSCILLATIONS IN PROTON AND ANTIPROTON STORAGE RINGS

A method is proposed for the damping of synchrotron and betatron oscillations of heavy particles, which makes use of the sharp increase in the cross section for the interaction of these particles with electrons at small relative velocity. It is shown that it is possible by this method to compress strongly the proton and antiproton bunches in storage rings, and also to achieve multiple storage of these particles.

Budker, G. I. (1967), *Soviet Atomic Energy* **22** (5): 438–440

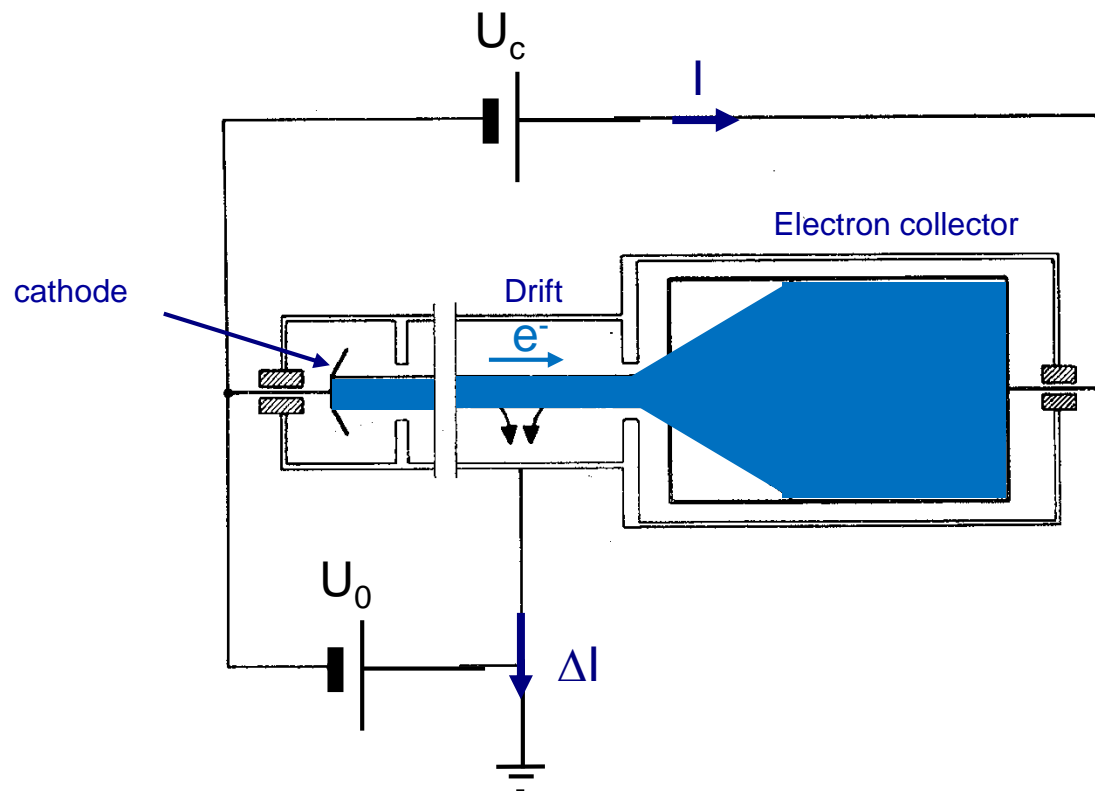
# Idea of electron cooling

- The circulating ion beam and an intense electron beam share the same orbit on a small fraction of a circular accelerator
- Average velocities of the two beams are (nearly) equal
- Coulomb interaction between ions and electrons
- The electrons interact with ions only once (single pass)
- The electron beam is guided by the longitudinal magnetic field (besides from the beam transport  $B$  leads to enhanced cooling)



Animation courtesy Arthur Halama, FZ-Jülich

# HV system, energy recovery



# Beam temperature

When considering electron cooling it is convenient to use the theory of ideal gases. In the particle frame an e-beam can be represented by “electron gas”. A hot ion gas interacts with a colder e-gas (**cooling**). In this picture beam temperature is similar to terms like emittance and momentum spread.

## Longitudinal

$$\frac{1}{2}k_B T_{\parallel} = \frac{1}{2}mv_{\parallel}^2 = \frac{1}{2}mc^2\beta^2\left(\frac{\delta p_{\parallel}}{p}\right)^2$$

## Transverse

$$\frac{1}{2}k_B T_{\perp} = \frac{1}{2}mv_{\perp}^2 = \frac{1}{2}mc^2\beta^2\gamma^2\theta_{\perp}^2$$

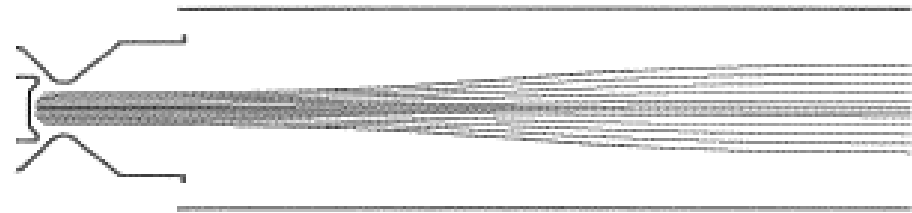
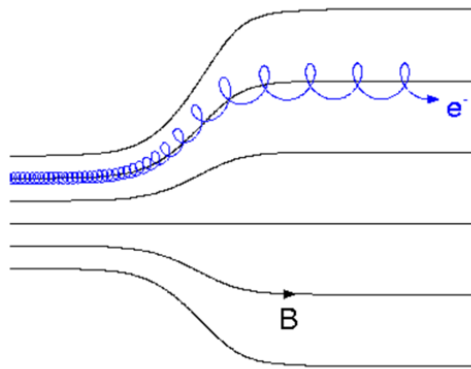
$$\theta_{\perp} = \frac{v_{\perp}}{\beta c}, \quad \theta_{\perp}(s) = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\beta_{\perp}(s)}}$$

*Electron beams typically used for cooling are anisotropic*

$$T_{\parallel} < T_{\perp}$$



# e-beam properties



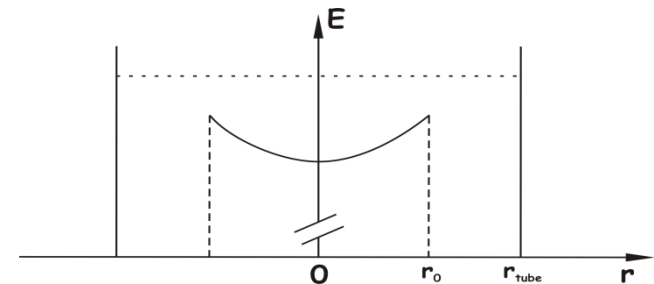
transversely expanded electron beam

transverse electron beam temperature of the expanded beam  $k_B T_{\perp} \propto B_c/B_{gun}$

typical values for low energy coolers:  $k_B T_{\perp} \approx 0.1$  eV (1100 K),  $k_B T_{\parallel} \approx 0.1 - 1$  meV

$$k_B T_{\parallel} = (k_B T_{cat})^2 / 4E_0 \ll k_B T_{\perp}$$

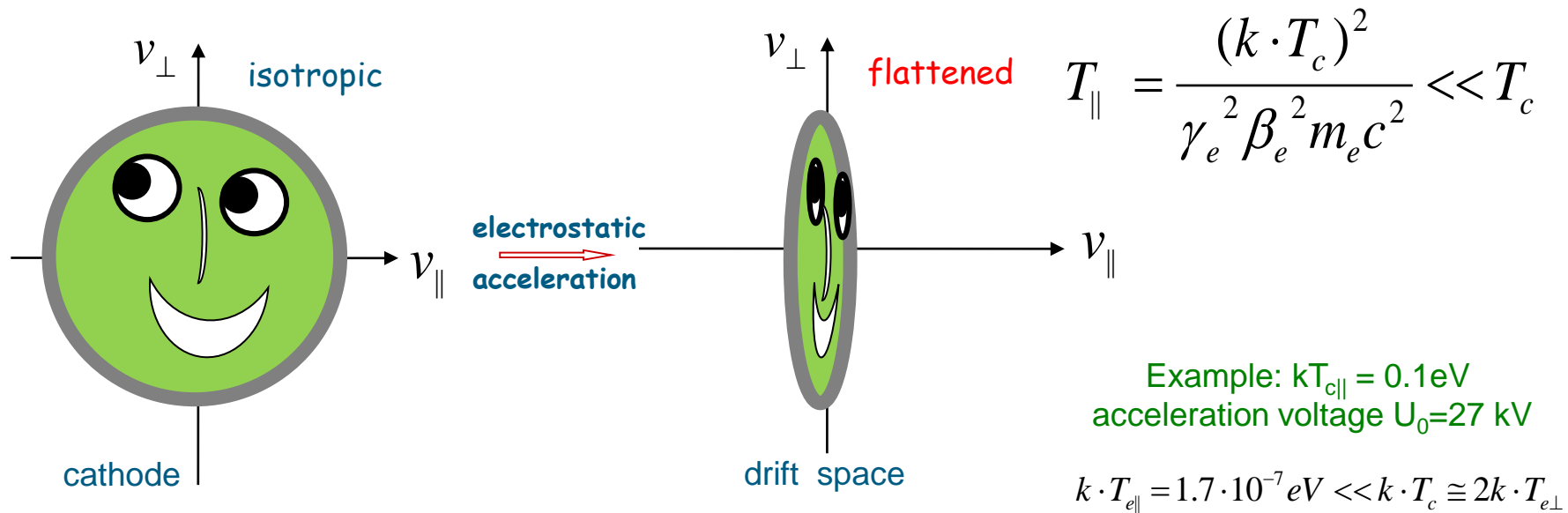
radial variation of electron energy due to space charge



$$E(r) = eU_{cat} - n_e \pi r_0^2 r_e m_e c^2 [1 + 2 \ln(r_{tube}/r_0)] + n_e \pi r_e m_e c^2 r^2$$

# Flattened distribution

electron-velocity distribution at the cathode and after acceleration in the drift space



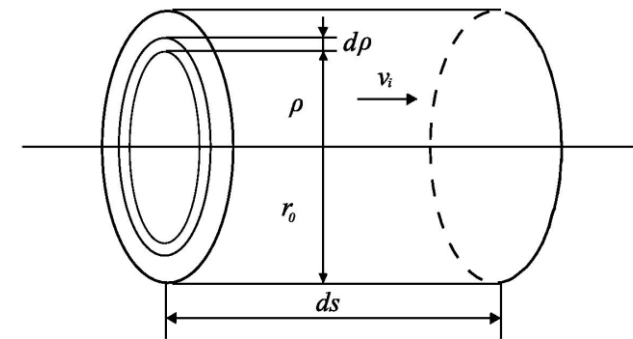
# Cooling force

Rutherford scattering:  $2 \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) = \frac{2Z_1 Z_2 e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 \Delta p v b}$   $Z_1 = Q$  (ion),  $Z_2 = -1$  (electron)

Energy transfer:  $\Delta E(b) = \frac{(\Delta p)^2}{2m_e} \simeq \frac{2Q^2 e^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 m_e v^2} \frac{1}{b^2}$  (for  $b \gg b_{min}$ )

Minimum impact parameter:  $b_{min} = \frac{Qe^2}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 m_e v^2}$

$$\Delta E(b_{min}) = \Delta E_{max} \simeq 2m_e v^2$$



Energy loss:

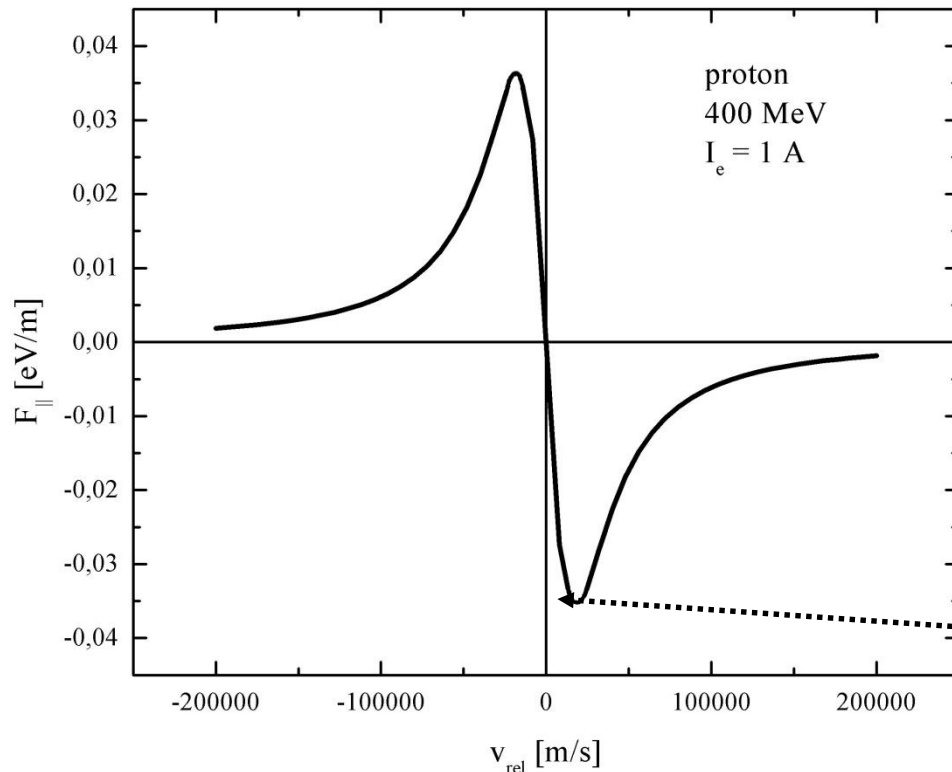
$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = 2\pi \int_{b_{min}}^{b_{max}} b n_e \Delta E db = \frac{4\pi Q^2 e^4}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 m_e v^2} n_e \ln \frac{b_{max}}{b_{min}}$$

Coulomb logarithm  $L_C = \ln(b_{max}/b_{min}) \approx 10$  (typical value)

# Cooling force behavior

$$\vec{F}(\vec{v}_i) = -\frac{4\pi Q^2 e^4 n_e}{(4\pi\epsilon_0)^2 m_e} \int L_C(\vec{v}_{rel}) f(\vec{v}_e) \frac{\vec{v}_{rel}}{v_{rel}^3} d^3 v_e$$

$$\vec{v}_{rel} = \vec{v}_i - \vec{v}_e$$

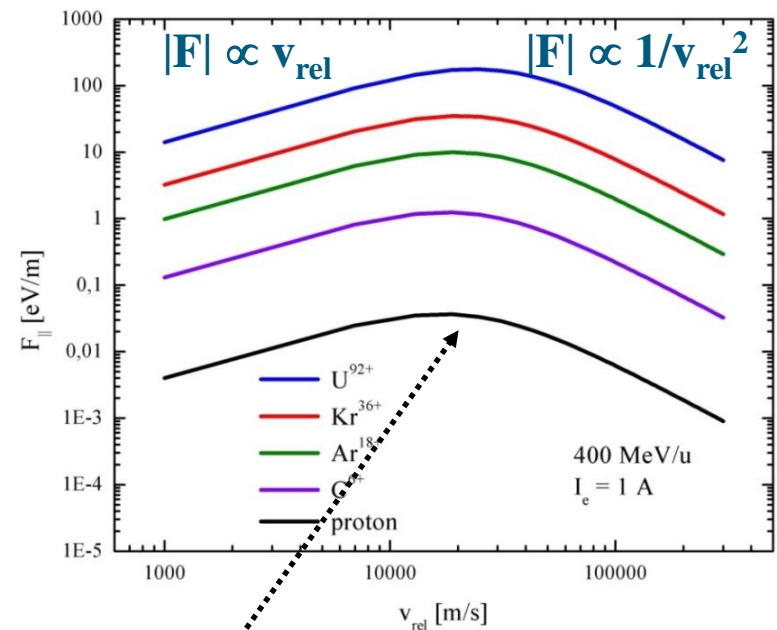


cooling force  $F$

for small relative velocity:  $\propto v_{rel}$

for large relative velocity:  $\propto v_{rel}^{-2}$

increases with charge:  $\propto Q^2$



maximum of cooling force  
at effective electron temperature

# Electron cooling time

for large relative velocities

$$\vec{v}_{rel} = \vec{v}_i - \vec{v}_e$$

$$\tau_z \propto \frac{A}{Z^2} \frac{1}{n_e \eta} \beta^3 \gamma^5 \Theta_z^3$$

$$\Theta_{x,y} = \frac{v_{x,y}}{\gamma \beta c}$$

$$\Theta_{\parallel} = \frac{v_{\parallel}}{\gamma \beta c}$$

increases with energy

slow for hot beams

linear dependence on electron beam intensity  $n_e$  and cooler length  $\eta = L_{ec}/L_{ring}$

short for highly charged ions

independent of ion beam intensity

for small relative velocities

cooling rate is constant and maximum at small relative velocity

$$F \propto v_{rel} \Rightarrow \tau = p_{rel}/F = \text{constant}$$

# Models of cooling force

## binary collision model

description of the cooling process by successive collisions of two particles and integration over all interactions  
 analytic expressions become very involved, various regimes  
 (multitude of Coulomb logarithms)

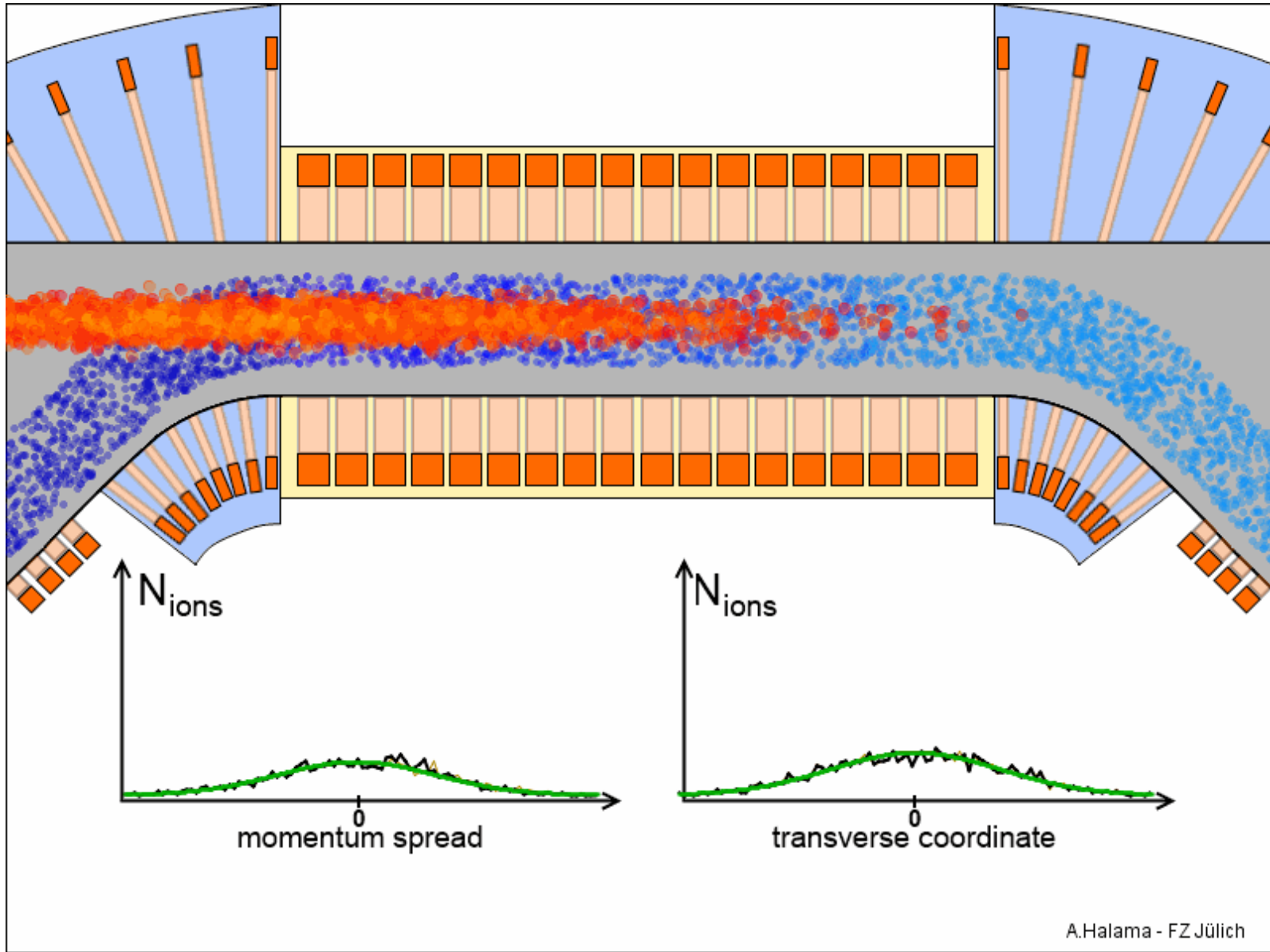
## dielectric model

interaction of the ion with a continuous electron plasma  
 (scattering off of plasma waves)  
 fails for small relative velocities and high ion charge

## an empiric formula derived from experiments by V. Parkhomchuk

$$\vec{F} = -4 \frac{n_e (Qe^2)^2}{m_e (4\pi\epsilon_0)^2} \ln \left( \frac{b_{max} + b_{min} + r_c}{b_{min} + r_c} \right) \frac{\vec{v}_{ion}}{(v_{ion}^2 + v_{eff}^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$b_{min} = \frac{Qe^2/4\pi\epsilon_0}{m_e v_{ion}^2}; \quad b_{max} = \frac{v_{ion}}{\min(\omega_{pe}, 1/T_{cool})}, \quad v_{eff}^2 = v_{e,\parallel}^2 + v_{e,\perp}^2$$



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# First experimental demonstration at NAP-M



*Electron cooling pioneers in Novosibirsk in 1974 left to right: V Parkhomchuk, A Skrinsky, I Meshkov, N Dikansky.*

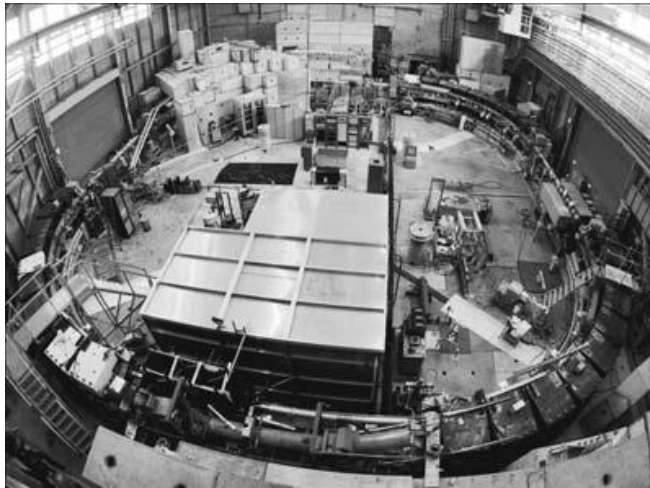


*First electron cooler*

*The first experiments carried out in Novosibirsk in 1974 demonstrated the high efficiency of this method and triggered the development of heavy particle cooling methods. First electron cooler had cooling length of 1 m.*



# Initial Cooling Experiment (ICE) at CERN

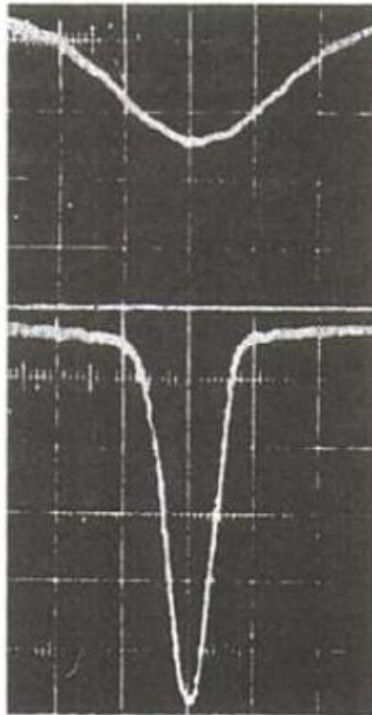


*The storage ring of the Initial Cooling Experiment (ICE). The cooler is visible just behind the concrete blocks in the foreground.*

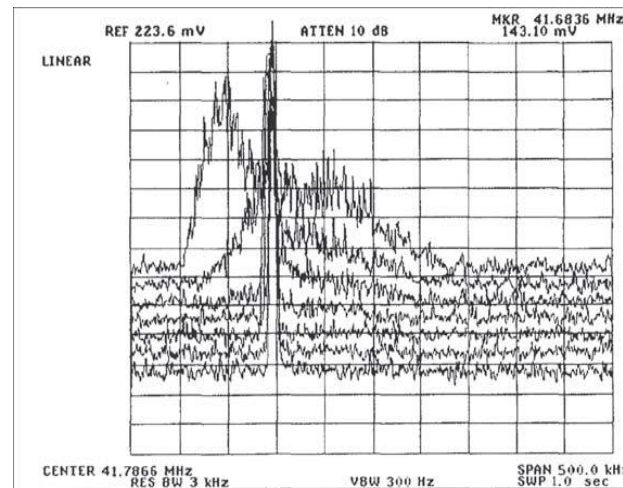


*Ice e-cooler upgraded for use in LEAR*

# Cooling results



Vertical beam profile at NAP-M without and with electron cooling  
1974



*The first electron cooling of protons in LEAR is shown in this scan – a frequency analysis of the Schottky noise. The spectrum becomes narrower as the cooling process takes effect.*

## From the archives

Electron cooling tests started in the ICE (Initial Cooling Experiment) storage ring at CERN in May and the results obtained so far are very encouraging. Beam quality can be greatly improved (for example, the six-dimensional phase space density can be improved by a factor of  $10^7$ ), cooling times are short (0.3 s and 1.2 s in momentum spread and betatron amplitude, respectively) and beam losses are down to the level corresponding to scattering on residual gas.

The construction of the electron gun started at CERN in the summer of 1977. It was installed in the ring in April 1979 and the first test started in May. Cooling effects, both in longitudinal and transverse dimensions, were observed on the first day as soon as the electron and proton beams were aligned and their velocities matched. Further optimization was obtained by adjusting the gun parameters to minimize the microwave radiation produced by the electrons. Cooling was then strong enough to produce longitudinal bunching of the proton beam. Finally the betatron frequencies of the ICE ring were modified to move the transition energy above the operating energy. The bunching effect disappeared and the best cooling conditions were obtained. The proton beam reduced from 2 cm to less than 1 mm and the momentum spread from  $2 \times 10^{-3}$  to  $4 \times 10^{-5}$ .

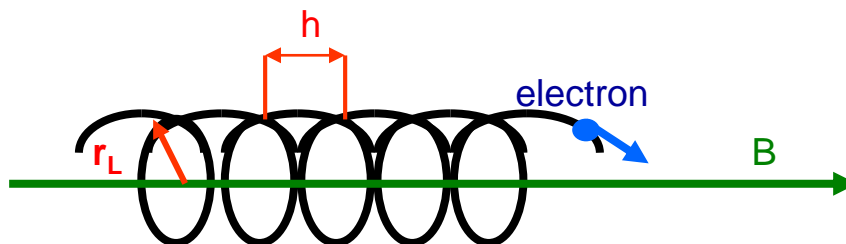
● CERN Courier October 1979 p309.

# Magnetized electron beam

The magnetic field limits the transverse motion of the electrons which appear to be frozen in this plane.

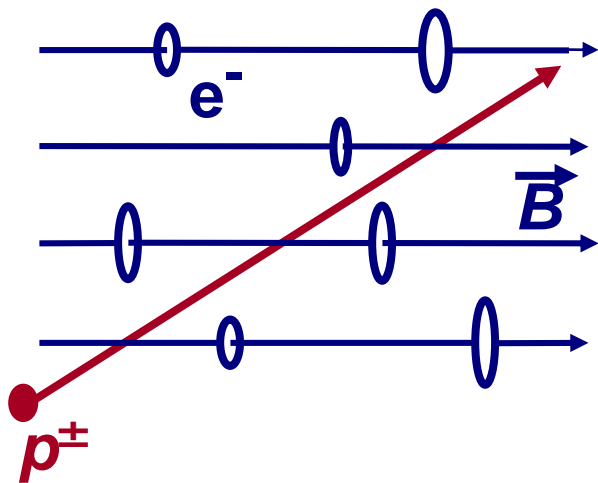
The electrons rotate around their axis at the cyclotron frequency  $\omega_L$  with a radius equal to  $r_L$ .

$$r_L = \frac{v_{\perp}}{\omega_L} \quad \omega_L = \frac{eB}{m_e} \quad h = v_{\parallel} \cdot T_L = v_{\parallel} \frac{2\pi}{\omega_L} = v_{\parallel} \frac{2\pi m_e}{eB}$$

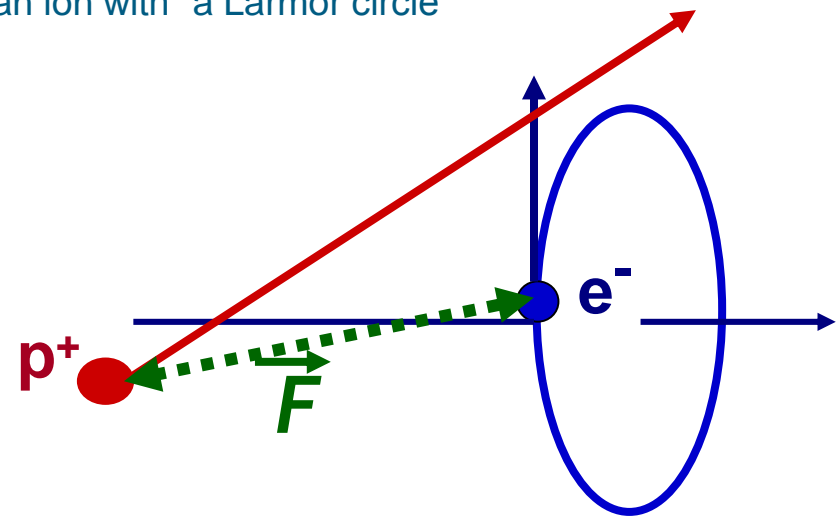


# Magnetized electron beam

In addition the whole beam rotates around the axis, which is given by the magnetic field  $B$ , with the substantially smaller frequency  $\omega_d = en_e/(2e_0B)$ .



Interaction of an ion with “a Larmor circle”



# e-coolers around the world

## Low and medium energy

SIS18 35keV  
ESR 320keV  
TSR 20keV  
CRYRING 20keV  
CSR 35, 300keV  
TARN 2 110keV  
ASTRID 2keV  
COSY 100kV  
IUCF 270  
LEAR 30keV  
CELSIUS 300 keV

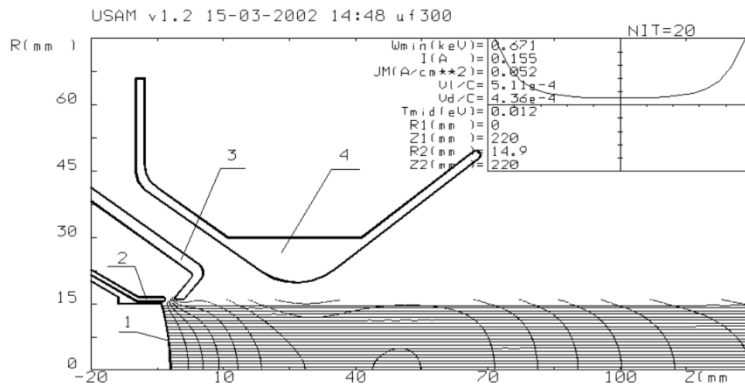
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## High energy

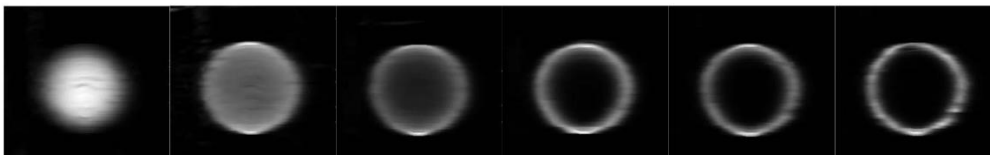
FNAL Recycler  
record energy 4.3 MeV  
non-magnitized

FZ-Jülich COSY  
2 MeV magnitized

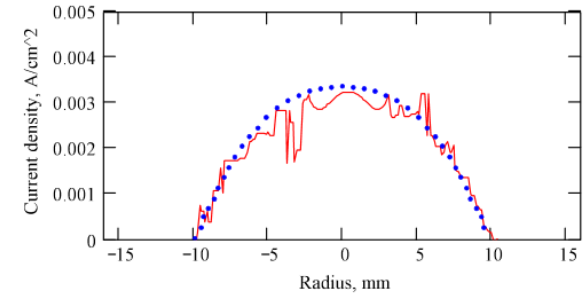
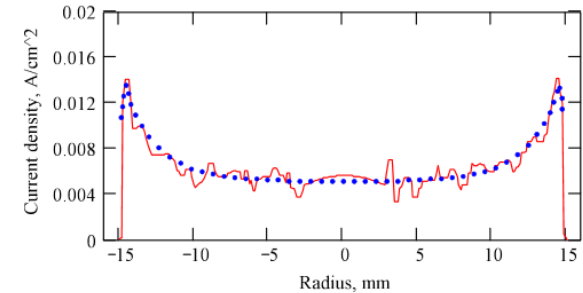
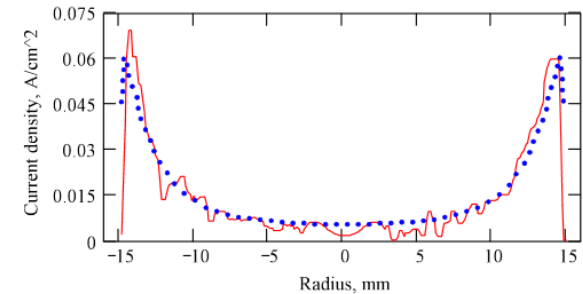
# Optimized electron gun



Geometry of electron gun with variable beam profile: 1 – cathode, 2 – forming electrode, 3 – control electrode, 4 – anode



Electron beam profiles at control electrode potential  $U_c = 0V, +100V, +200V, +350V, +400V, +600V$  and anode potential  $U_a=500V$

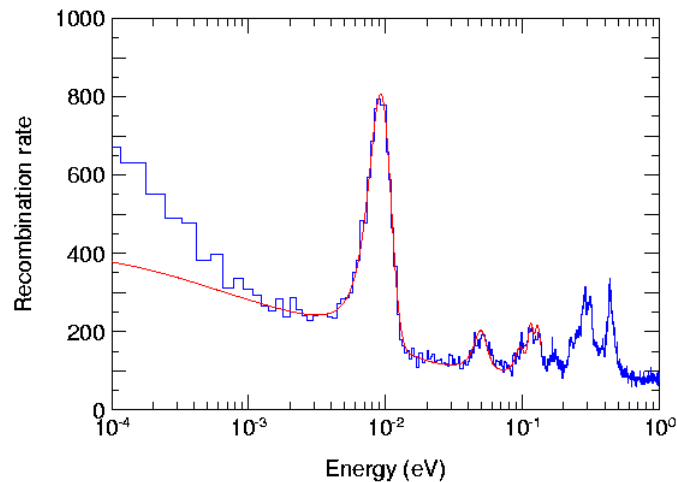


— Experiment  
 ••• Calculation

Calculated and measured beam profiles at control electrode potential  $U_c = +300V, +100V, -100V$  and anode potential  $U_a=500V$ .

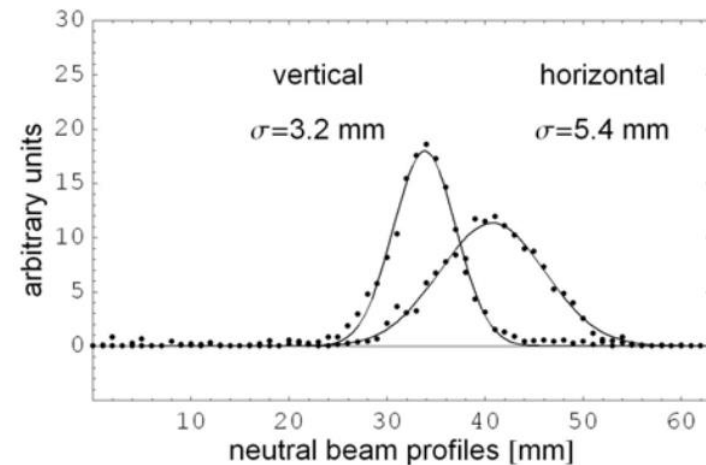
# Beam diagnostics based on recombination

## CRYRING



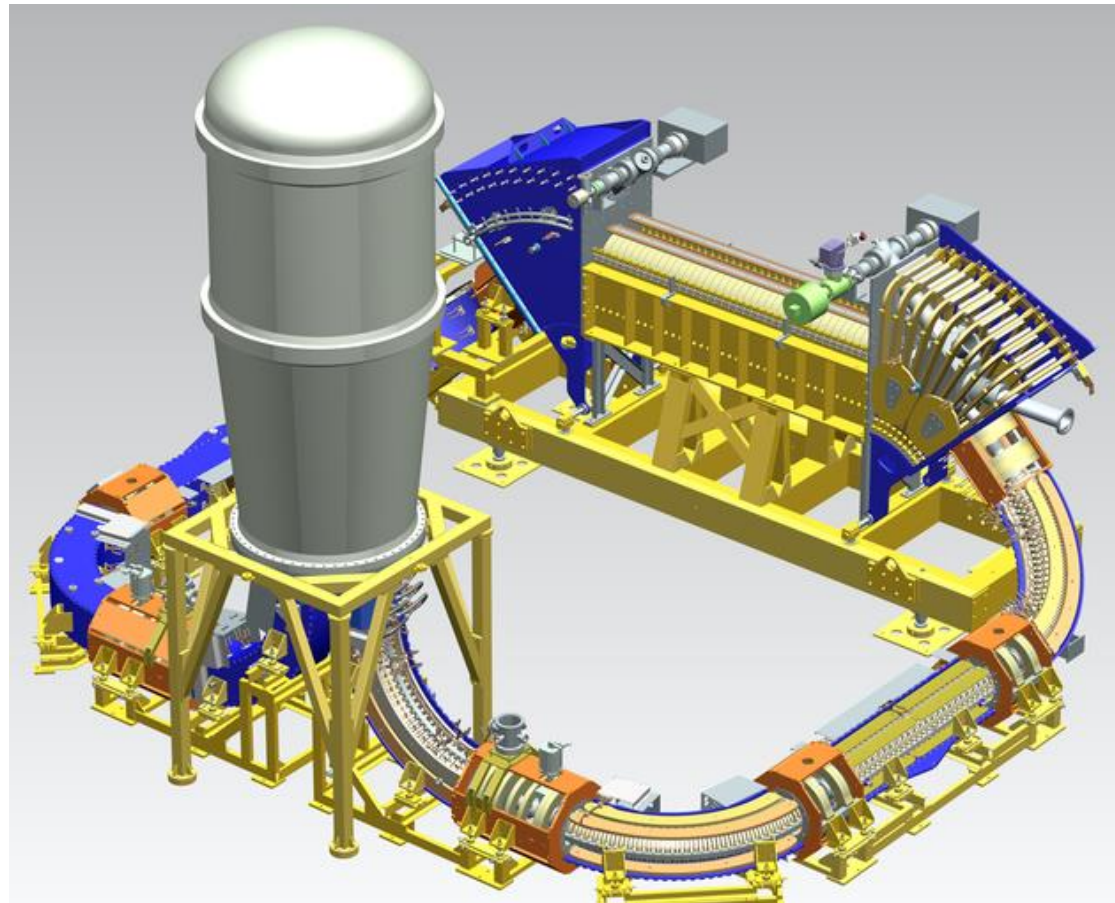
Measured rate coefficient for dielectronic recombination of  $F6+$ . The red curve was obtained by fitting a theoretical cross section calculated by Eva Lindroth at Stockholm University to the large peak at  $10^{-2}$  eV, the shape of which is sensitive to both transverse and longitudinal electron temperatures. This fit gave  $kT_{perp} = 1.5$  meV and  $kT_{par} = 0.10$  meV. The rate is in arbitrary units and the calibration of the experimental energy scale is only approximate. (CRYRING webpage)

## COSY



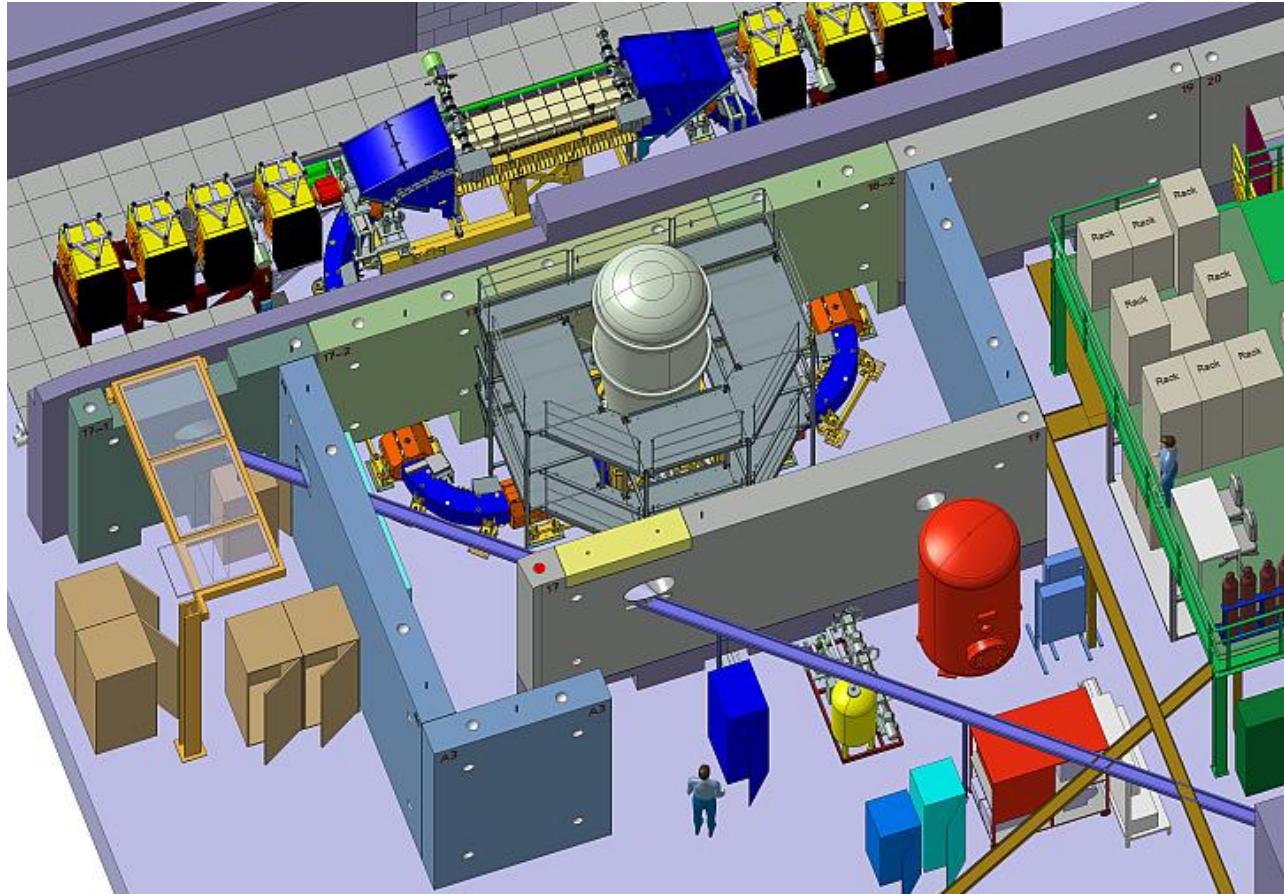
Horizontal and vertical  $H\ 0$  profiles with a  $0.35$  mrad horizontally misaligned electron beam. Electron beam current  $130$  mA.

# Design of the 2 MeV electron cooler





# Integration into COSY



## Design parameters of the 2 MeV e-cooler

Energy range:	0.025 - 2 MeV
High voltage stability	$< 10^{-4}$
Electron current	up to 3 A
Electron beam diameter	10 - 30 mm
Cooling section length	2.7 m
Toroid radius	1 m
Magnetic field (cooling section solenoid)	0.5 - 2 kG
Vacuum at cooler	$10^{-9}$ - $10^{-10}$ mbar

Designed and built at BINP, Novosibirsk

# Current status of the 2MeV cooler

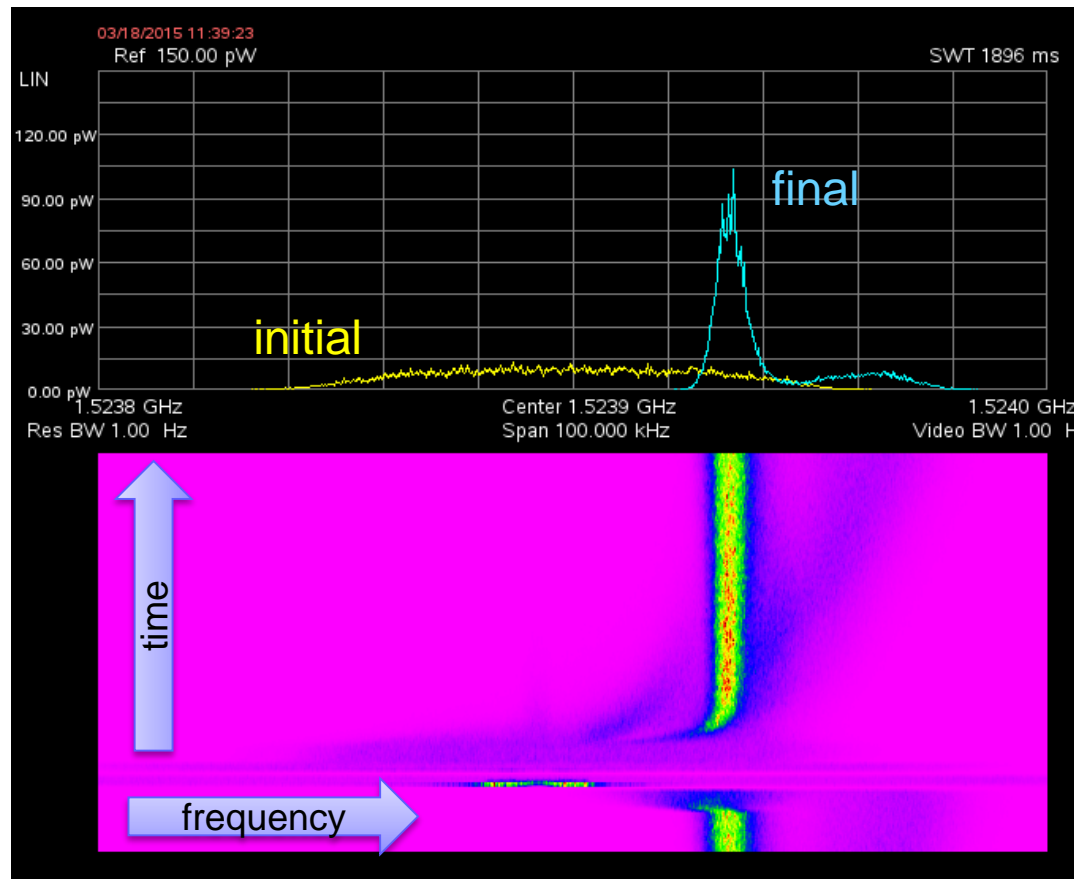
## Electron cooling of the proton beam

Proton energy, MeV	Electron energy, MeV	Max. electron current, A
200	0.109	0.5
353	0.192	0.5
580	0.316	0.3
1670	0.908	<b>0.9</b>

## Maximum electron current and energy so far demonstrated

Electron energy, MeV	Electron current, A
0.024	<b>1</b>
1.25	0.2
<b>1.5</b>	<b>0.09</b>

# Experimental results, dc beam & e-cooling



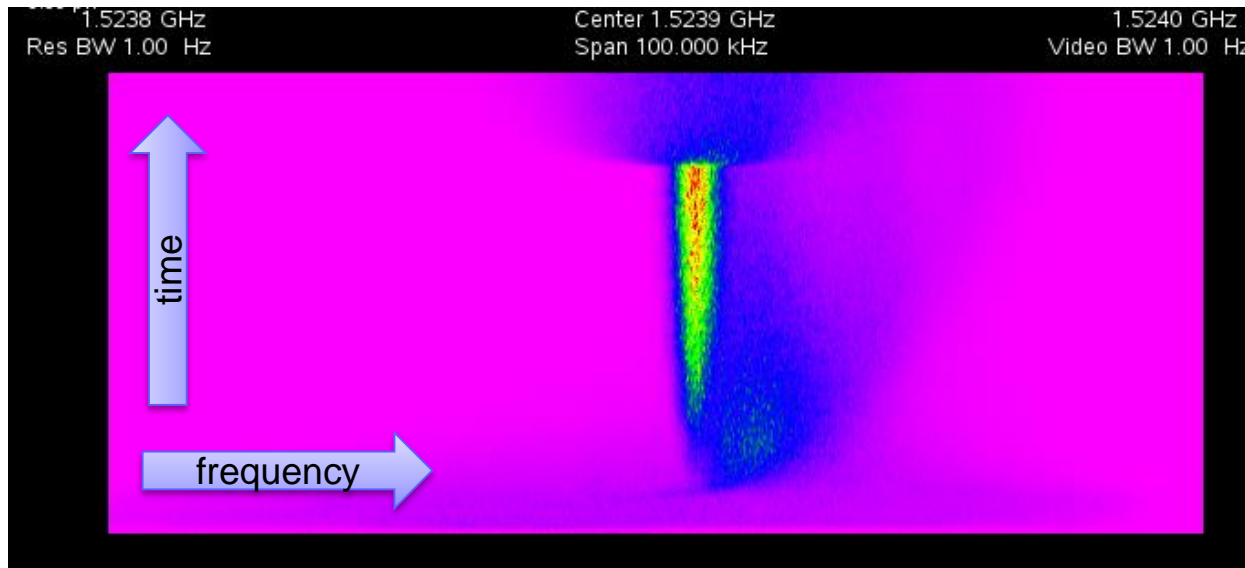
final  $\Delta p/p = 5e-5$

Time span of the color spectrogram  
550 s

Vertical pickup of the SC system was used to measure the spectra

$5e8$  protons, 2425 MeV/c, electron current 0.8 A

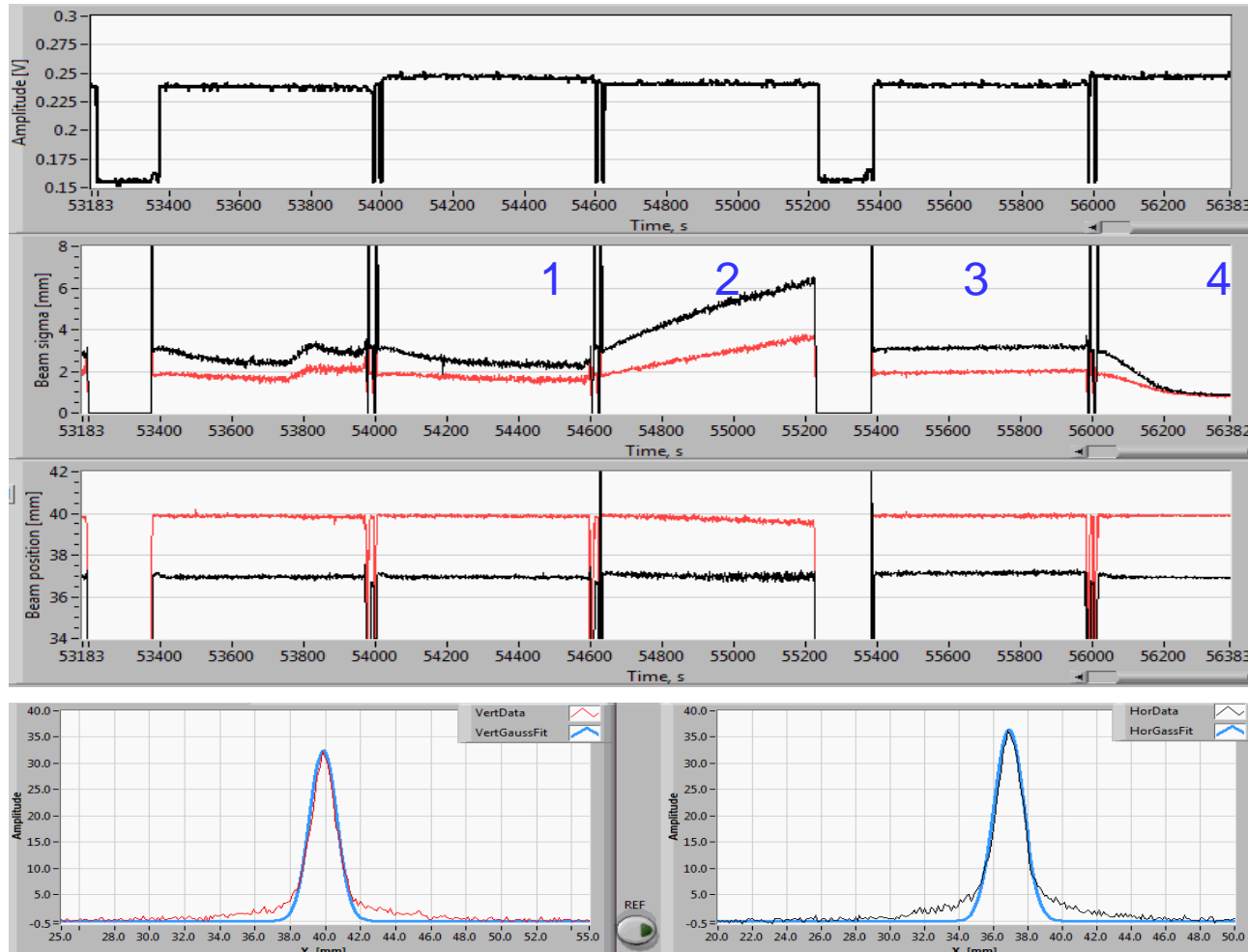
# Experimental results, turning off EC



Time span of the color spectrogram  
550 s

Longitudinal electron cooling process. e-beam turned off leading to fast  $\Delta p/p$  growth.  $5e8$  protons, 2425 MeV/c, electron current 0.8 A

# Transverse e-cooling



3.6e8 protons  
2425 MeV/c

$I_e = 0.8 \text{ A}$

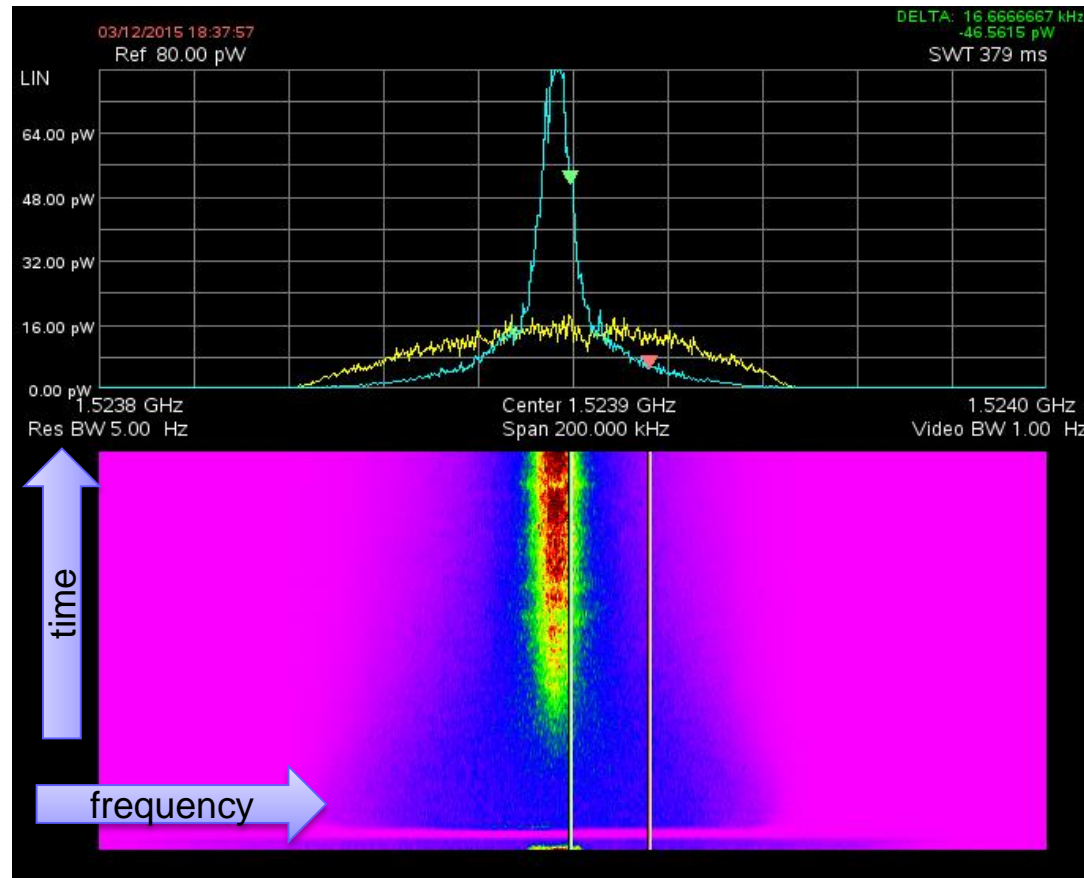
1. Noise + EC
2. Noise only
3. Reference
4. EC

$\epsilon_x = 1.1 \rightarrow 0.1$

$\epsilon_y = 1.3 \rightarrow 0.2$   
(mm·mrad, rms normalized)  
within 200s

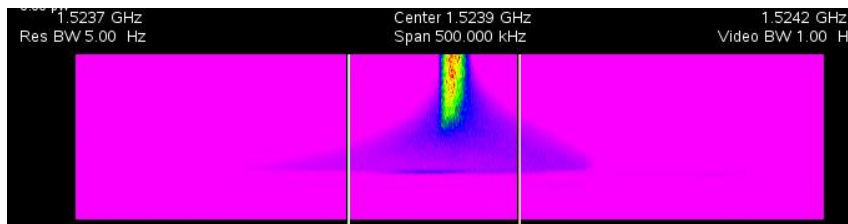
IPM screenshot

# RF & e-cooling

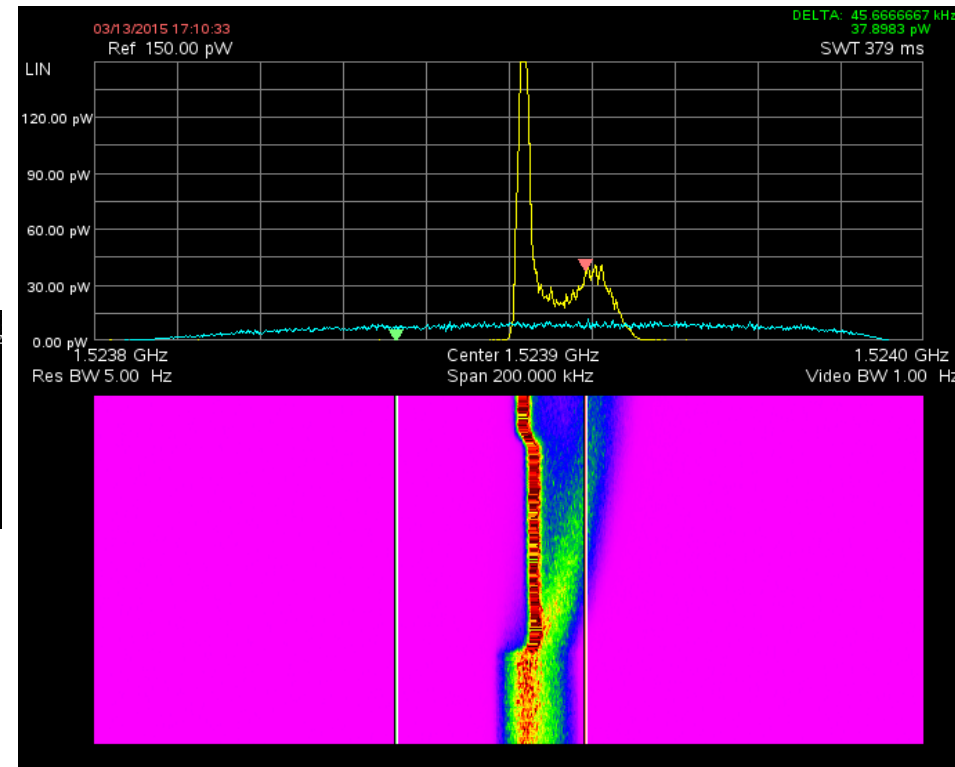


RF on, e-cooling with 550 mA

# Electron and stochastic cooling



initial noise + e-cooling at 400 mA + stochastic cooling. Time span 220 s.



e+st. cooling. SC off, e-beam energy changed by +30 V (909.03 kV)



# Performance limiting factors

- Magnetic field imperfections (straightness of longitudinal magnetic field in the cooling section, kicks in the transport line)
- Ripple of accelerating voltage
- Recombination (is also used for beam diagnostics)
- Beam control (alignment, requires good diagnostics)
  
- Technical/technological (manufacturing issues incl. tolerances etc.)
- Reliability issues with increasing complexity

# Comparison of different cooling methods

Stochastic and electron cooling are most commonly used in particle accelerators

method	phenomena	dimensions	particles	$\tau$ vs energy	$\tau$ vs intensity	Impact on the machine
electron	coulomb	3d	hadrons	increases		high
stochastic	Detect and correct beam samples	3d easy to separate	hadrons		increases	moderate

Other methods are radiation (electrons), laser (ions) and ionisation (muons) cooling

# Summary

- Even after 50 years of development electron cooling is an active field of research
  - Commissioning of the 2MeV e-cooler at COSY in Jülich
  - New projects making use of bunched e-beam (BNL)
  - Theory of e-cooling under active development
- A brief introduction to the principles of electron cooling was given
- A short history of electron cooler development was presented
- The most recent developments in electron cooling and experimental results were discussed
- Limitations of the electron cooling method as well as its comparison with the other cooling methods were presented
- Current problems in the field of electron cooling were discussed

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