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Detectors for Trap Experiments

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(ATRAP Experiment, CERN)

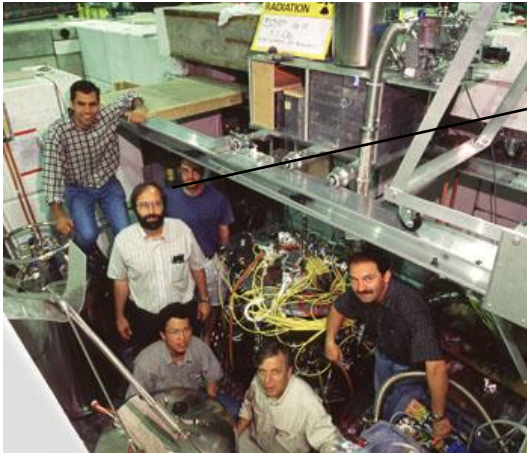


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Outline

- First trap for antimatter: brief history
- ATRAP Experiment
- Detectors at ATRAP
 - Annihilation (destructive) detectors
 - Alignment/steering detectors
 - ~~Non-destructive (image current based) detectors~~
 - Diagnostics: Imaging (MCP+Phosphor+camera), ~~Counting (FC), Plasma modes (RW)~~
 - Recent and future upgrades
 - ~~.... (e.g. Laser and microwave excitation)~~
- Summary

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ATRAP@CERN, year 2000

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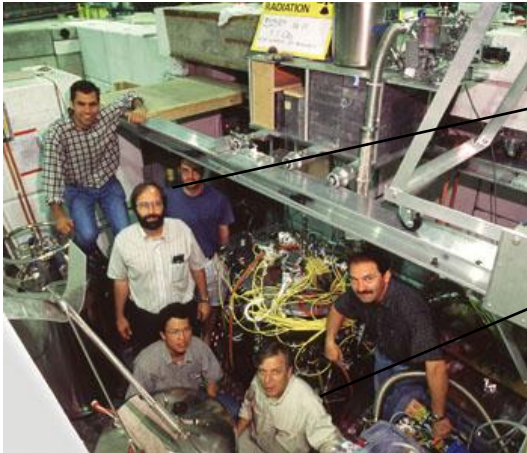
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ATRAP@CERN, year 2016

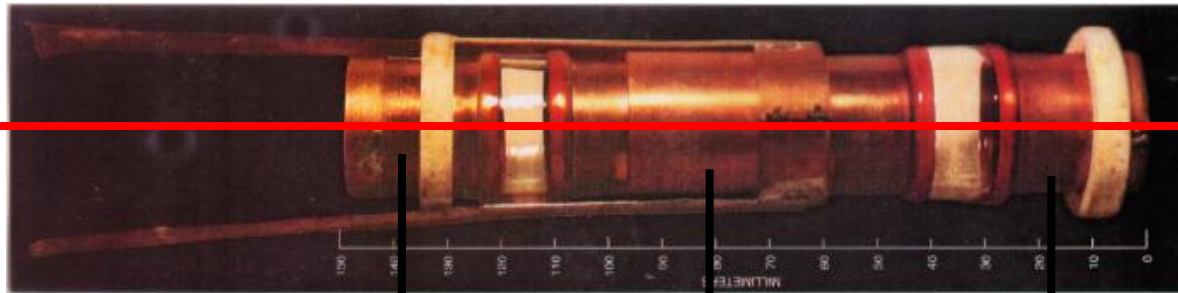
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TRAP Collaboration
at CERN's LEAR

1 cm
↔

magnetic
field

21 MeV
antiprotons

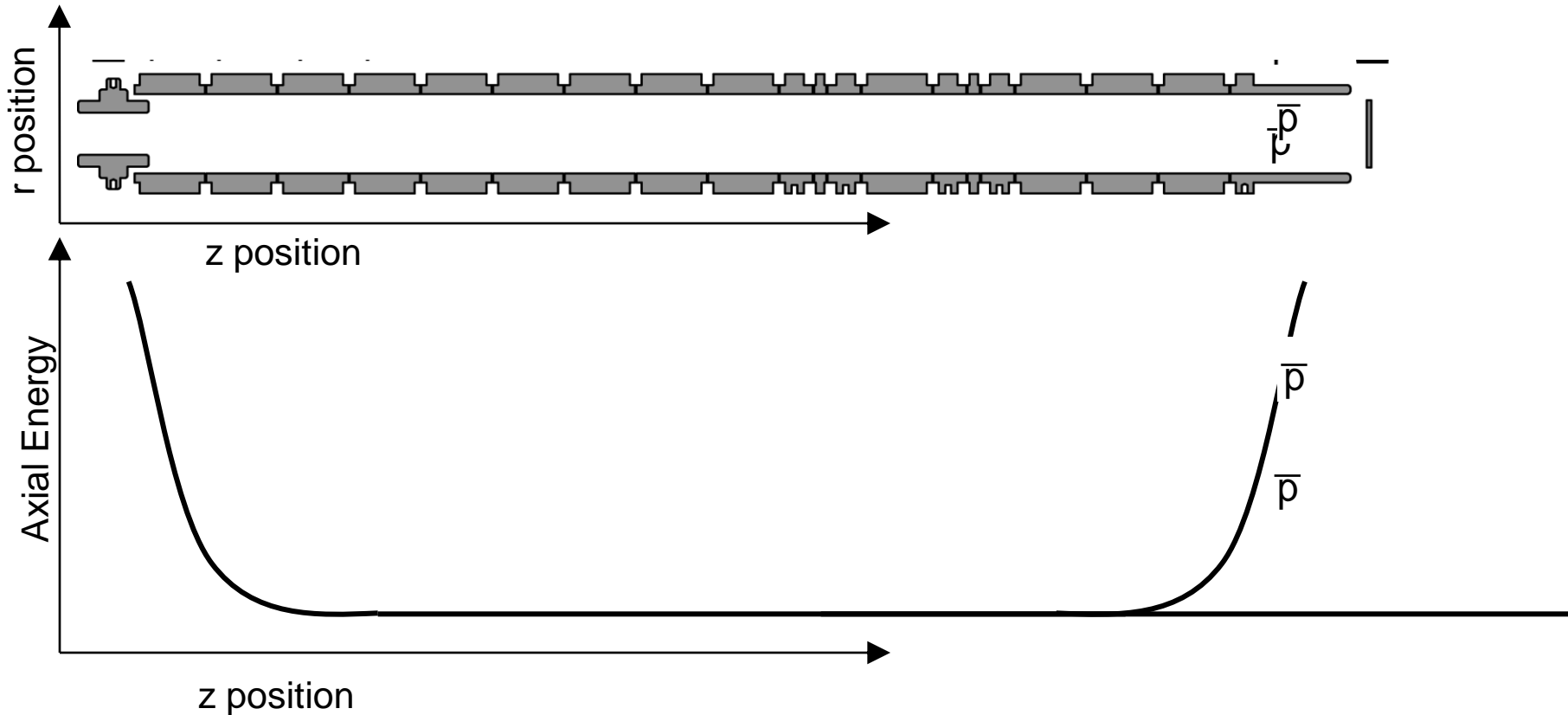


10^{-10}
energy
reduction

- Slow antiprotons in matter
- Capture antiprotons in flight
- Electron cooling → 4.2 K
- 5×10^{-17} Torr

Now used by 5 collaborations
at the CERN AD
ATRAP, ALPHA, ASACUSA,
AEGIS, BASE and GBAR

Antiproton Capture – the Movie



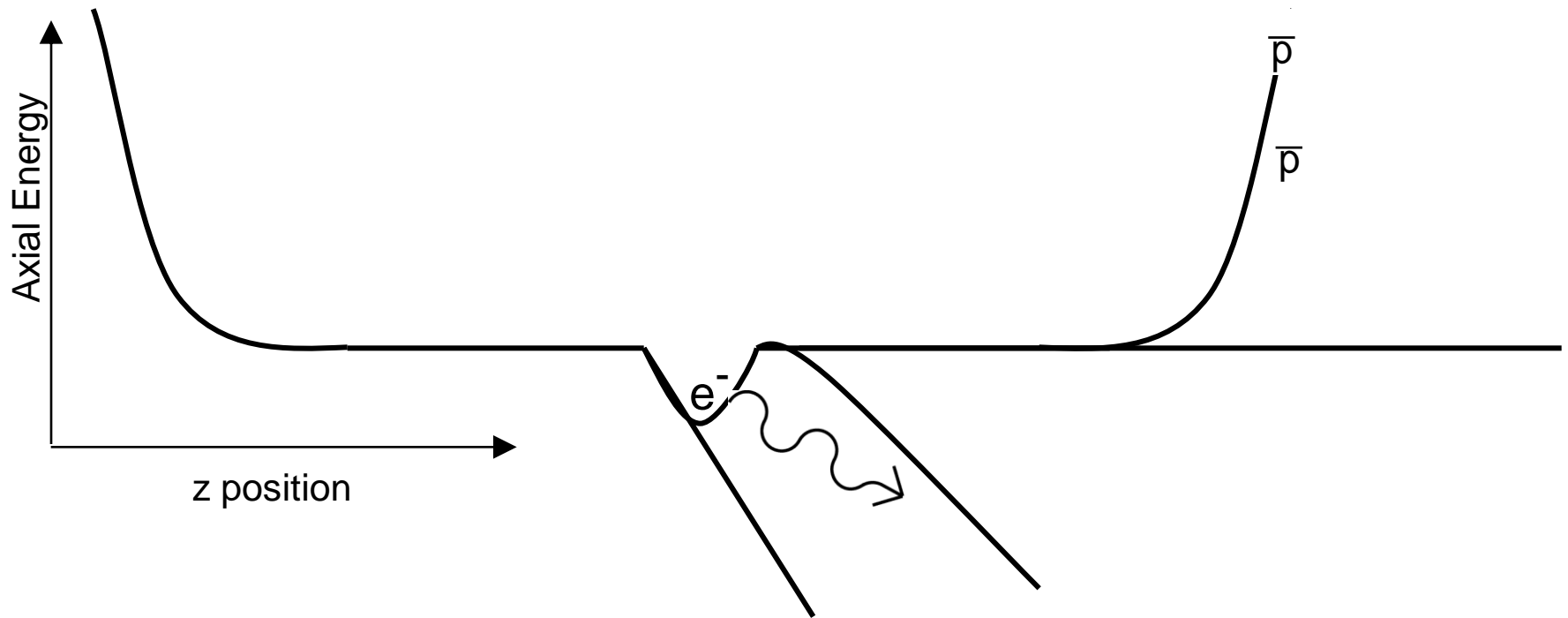
"First Capture of Antiprotons in a Penning Trap: A KeV Source",

G. Gabrielse, X. Fei, K. Helmerston, S.L. Rolston, R. Tjoelker, T.A. Trainor, H. Kalinowsky, J. Haas, and W. Kells;

Phys. Rev. Lett. 57, 2504 (1986).

Electron-Cooling of Antiprotons – in a Trap

- Antiprotons cool via collisions with electrons
- Electrons radiate away excess energy



"Cooling and Slowing of Trapped Antiprotons Below 100 meV",
G. Gabrielse, X. Fei, L.A. Orozco, R. Tjoelker, J. Haas, H. Kalinowsky, T.A. Trainor, W. Kells;
Phys. Rev. Lett. 63, 1360 (1989).

Cold Antihydrogen

Proposal to Trap Cold Antihydrogen – 1986

- **Produce cold antihydrogen from cold antiprotons**

“When antihydrogen is formed in an ion trap, the neutral atoms will no longer be confined and will thus quickly strike the trap electrodes. Resulting annihilations of the positron and antiproton could be monitored. ...”

- **Trap cold antihydrogen**

- **Use accurate laser spectroscopy to compare antihydrogen and hydrogen**

“For me, the most attractive way ... would be to capture the antihydrogen in a neutral particle trap ... The objective would be to then study the properties of a small number of [antihydrogen] atoms confined in the neutral trap for a long time.”

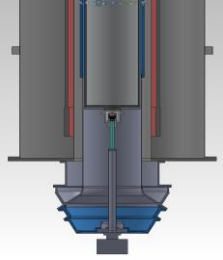
Gerald Gabrielse, 1986 Erice Lecture (shortly after first pbar trapping)

In **Fundamental Symmetries**, (P.Bloch, P. Paulopoulos, and

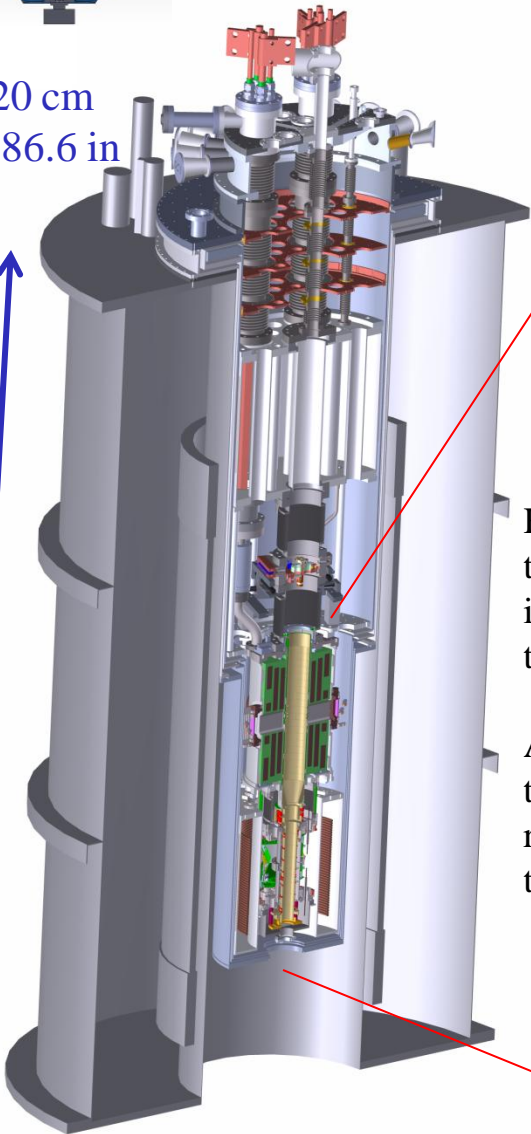
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full stack in magnet and insert dewar with fiber detectors

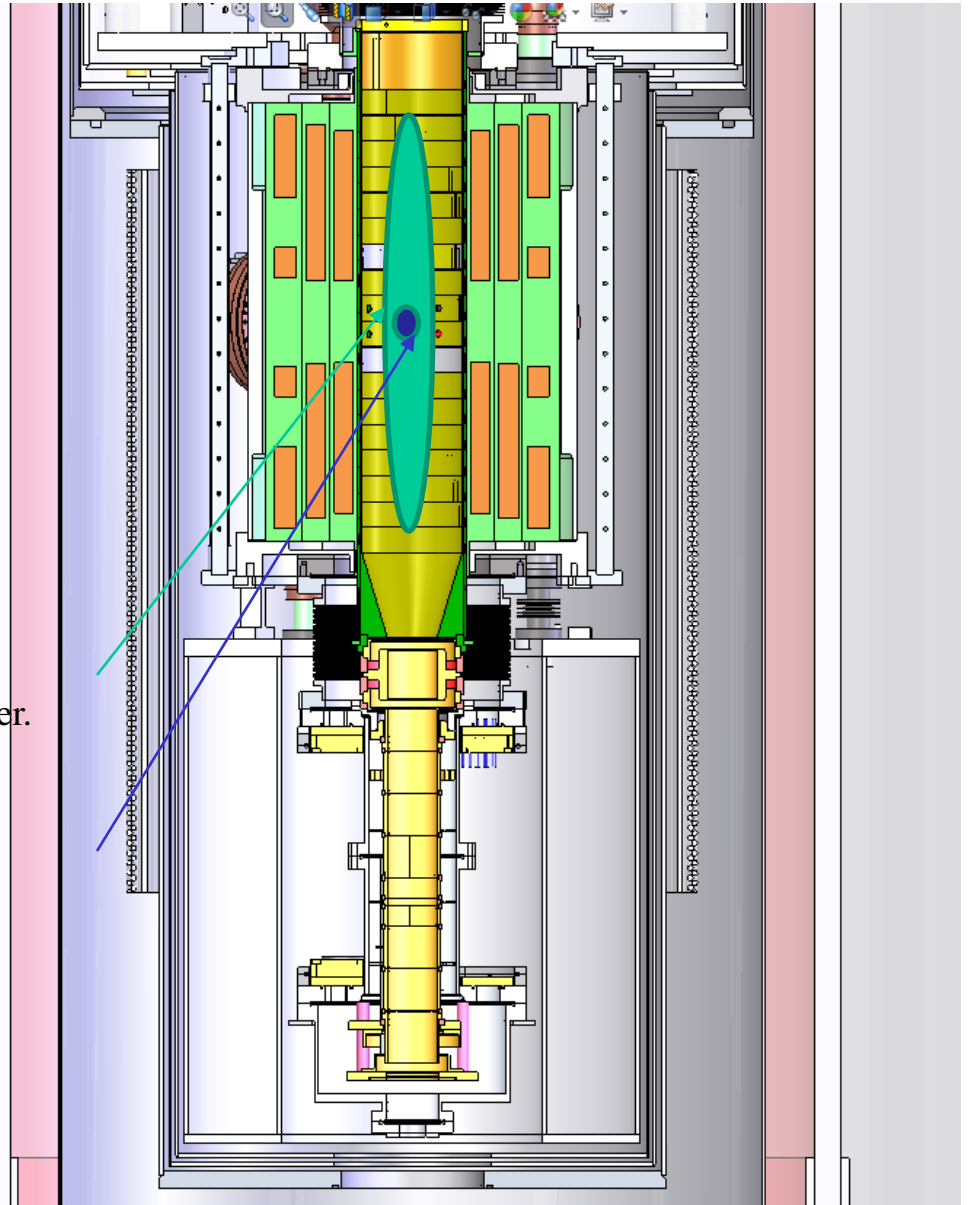


220 cm
= 86.6 in



Hbar atoms are trapped roughly in the blue oval till ionized by a laser.

After laser cooling the hbar atoms will reside in roughly the brown oval



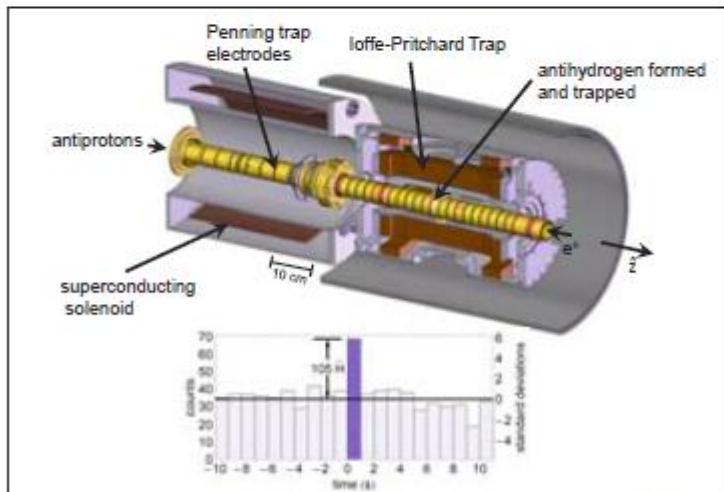
Gen. I trap: Most Trapped Hbar Per Trial

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OF THE AMERICAN PHYSICAL SOCIETY

43rd Annual Meeting of the APS
Division of Atomic, Molecular and Optical Physics

June 4-8, 2012
Anaheim, California



5 +/- 1 ground state atoms
simultaneously trapped

Expect more with 2nd generation
Ioffe trap

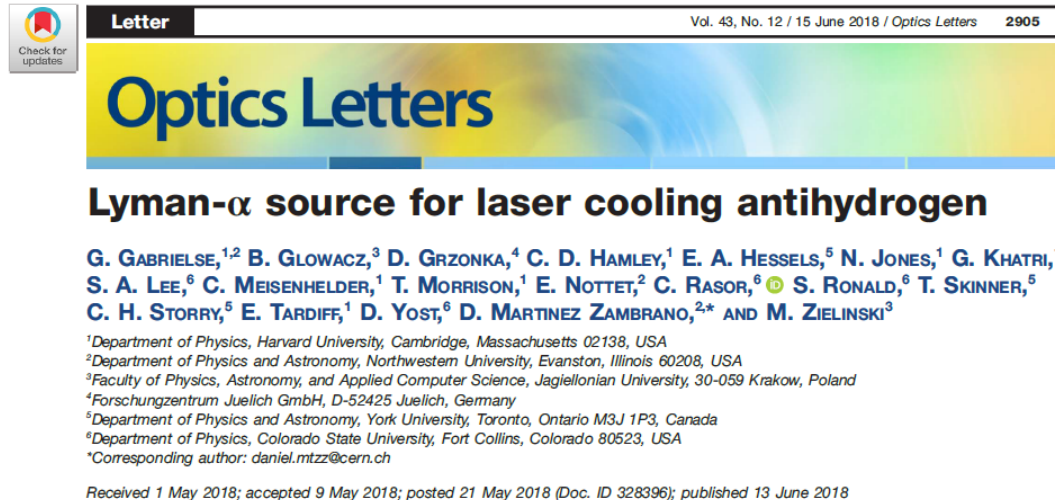
Enough to demonstrate 3-d
Lyman alpha laser cooling
(with 2nd generation trap)

Need more atoms/trial

ATRAP, “Trapped Antihydrogen in
Its Ground State”, Phys. Rev. Lett.
108, 113002 (2012)

Goals of ATRAP Collab.

- ATRAP wants to produce large number of trapped Hbars in ground state
- Laser cool them (on 3 axis), we have Ly-alpha laser (0.5K to ~10 mK)
- Do precise 1S-2S spectroscopy



We present a Lyman- α laser developed for cooling trapped antihydrogen. The system is based on a pulsed Ti:sapphire laser operating at 729 nm that is frequency doubled using an LBO crystal and then frequency tripled in a Kr/Ar gas cell. After frequency conversion, this system produces up to 5.7 μ W of average power at the Lyman- α wavelength. This laser is part of the ATRAP experiment at the antiproton decelerator in CERN. © 2018 Optical Society of America

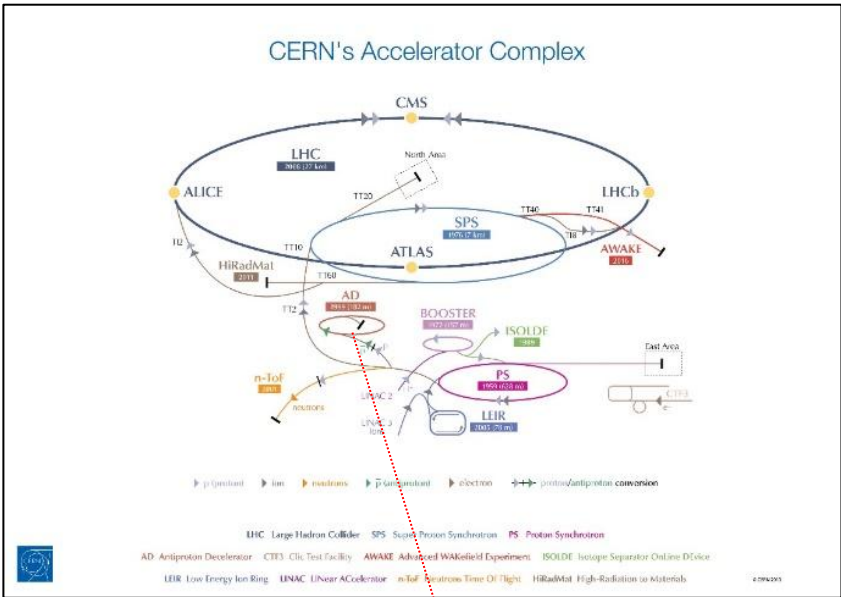
OCIS codes: (020.3320) Laser cooling; (190.2620) Harmonic generation and mixing.

<https://doi.org/10.1364/OL.43.002905>

precision and decrease leading systematic effects [18,19]. For antimatter gravity studies, higher precision requires the average kinetic energy of the atoms to be less than the change in gravitational potential over a magnetic trap [4,5].

While magnetically trapped hydrogen has previously been cooled through evaporation [20], such methods are not realizable in antihydrogen. With so few atoms, collisions are rare and thermalization rates are prohibitively slow. Instead, there is considerable interest in laser cooling antihydrogen using the 1S-2P transition with Lyman- α (Ly- α) radiation at 121.6 nm [4,21,22–25]. The challenge is that Ly- α lasers are notoriously difficult to build and produce relatively low power. The only demonstration of hydrogen laser cooling reduced the temper-

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Antihydrogen
Experiments

Precision Measurements
with Antiprotons

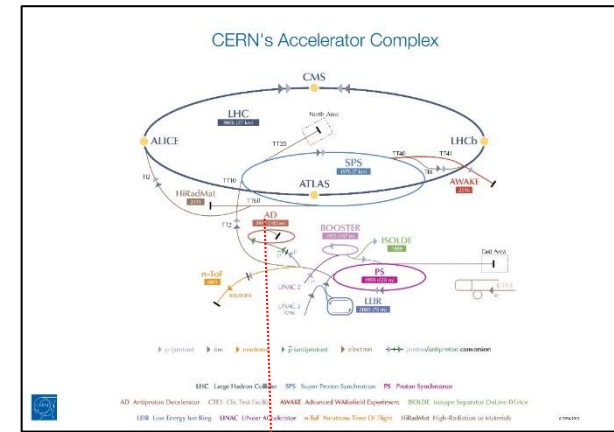
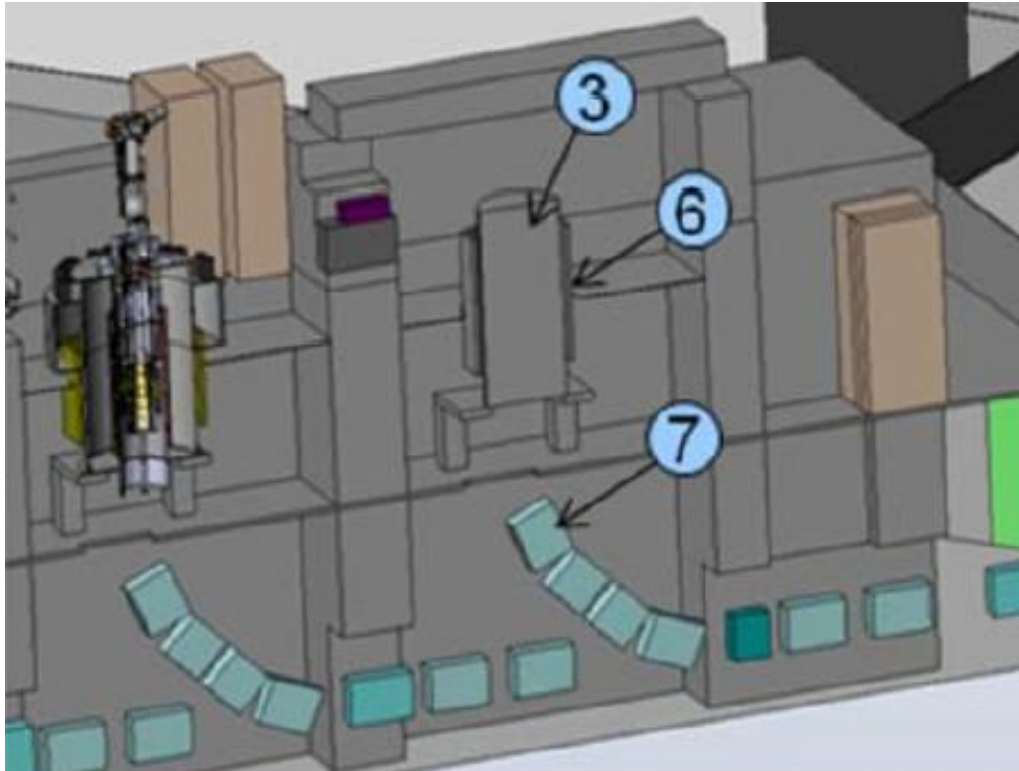
Antiprotons
from AD

trapped antihydrogen in its
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laser cooling
precise laser spectroscopy

680-fold improved
measurement of the
antiproton magnetic
motion

further improved by
BASE Collab. @CERN

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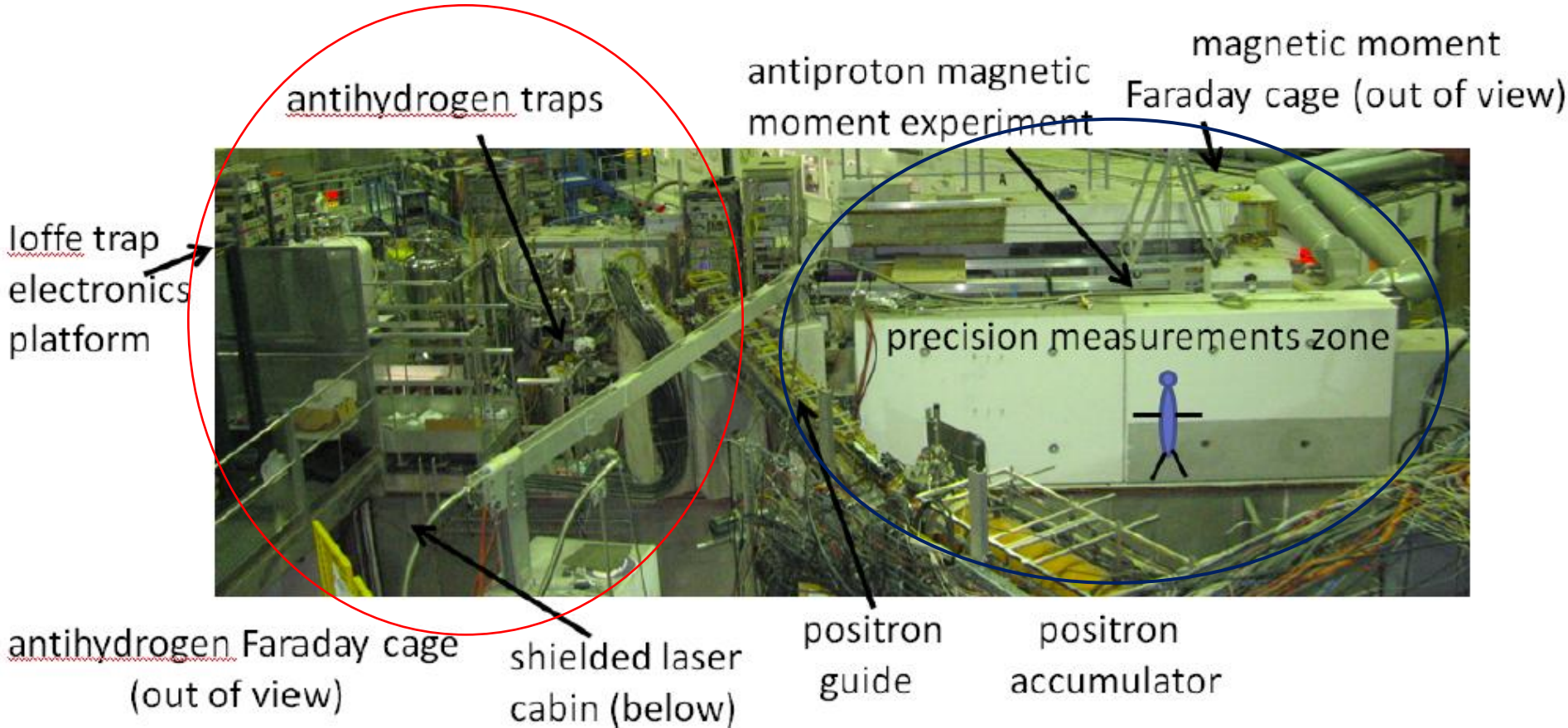
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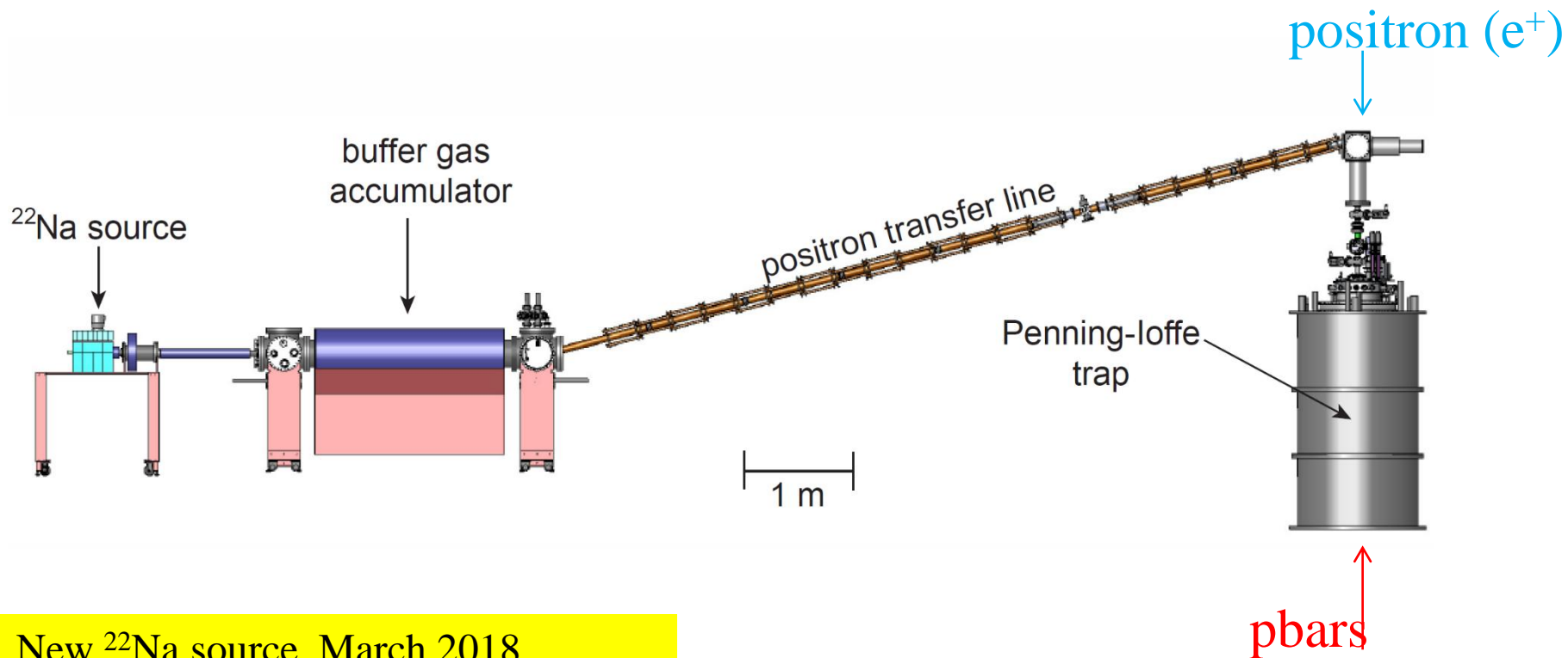
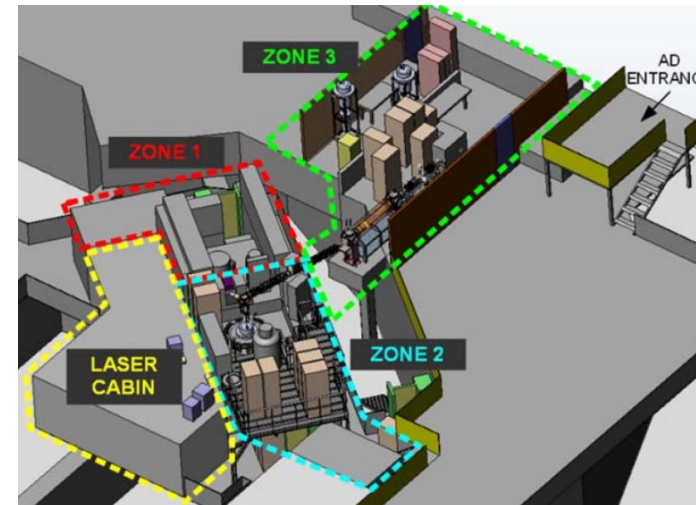
Photos



ATRAP Experimental Area

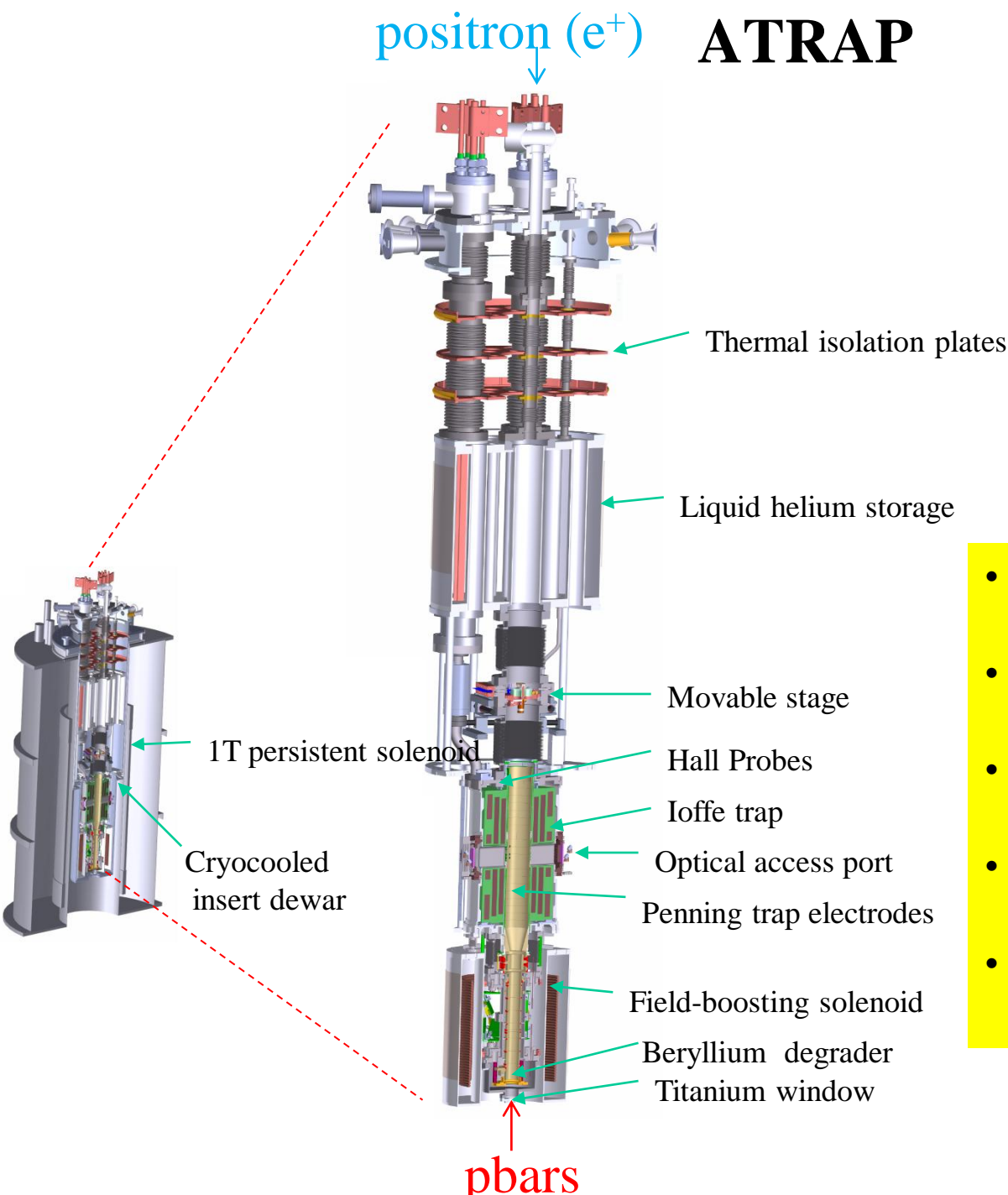
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- CERN's AD provides 5 MeV antiprotons
- positrons from ^{22}Na source,



New ^{22}Na source, March 2018

positron (e^+) ATRAP



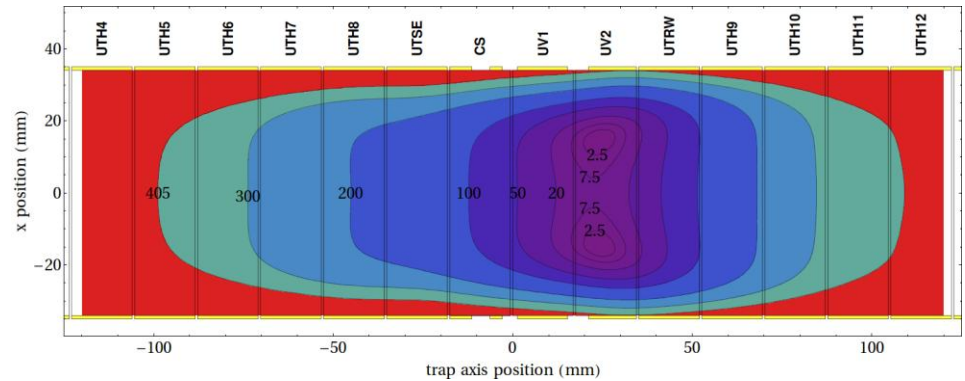
- e- cooling
- 2.7 T boost field (catch more)
- 1K pot (colder)
- Multiple laser paths
- Cs for enhancing Hbar production

Ioffe Trap

Achieved Magnetic Trap Configurations

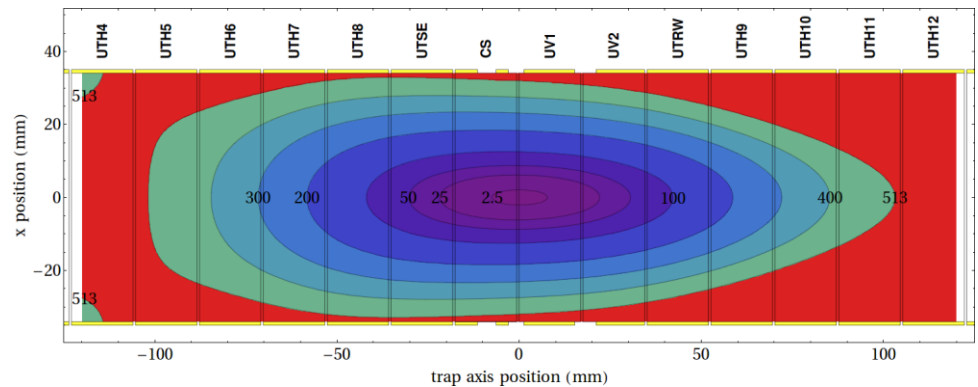
Octupole trap operating currents

- 680 A octupole
- 210 A pinch
- 179 A bucking
- Generates a trap depth of 405 mK



Quadrupole trap operating currents

- 460 A quadrupole
- 298 A pinch
- -254 A bucking
- Generates a trap depth of 504 mK

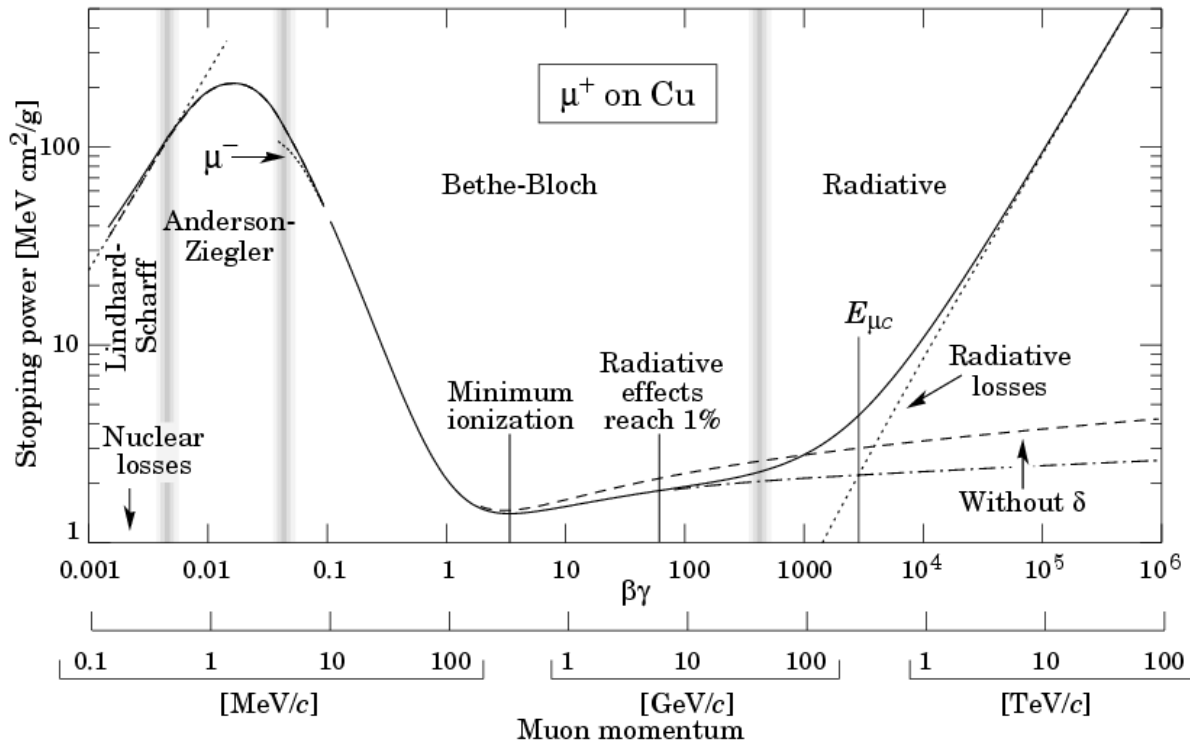


ATRAP Detectors

MIP (Minimum Isonizing Particles)

Energy loss of a particle in matter (Bethe formula)

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} \approx (0.307 \text{ MeV mol}^{-1} \text{ cm}^2) \rho \frac{Z}{A} \frac{z^2}{\beta^2} \left[\ln \frac{2 m_e c^2 \gamma^2 \beta^2}{I} - \beta^2 \right]. \quad (2.2)$$

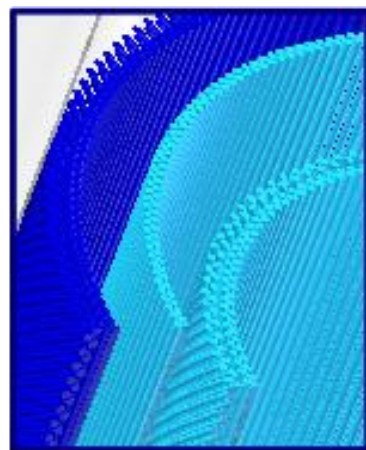
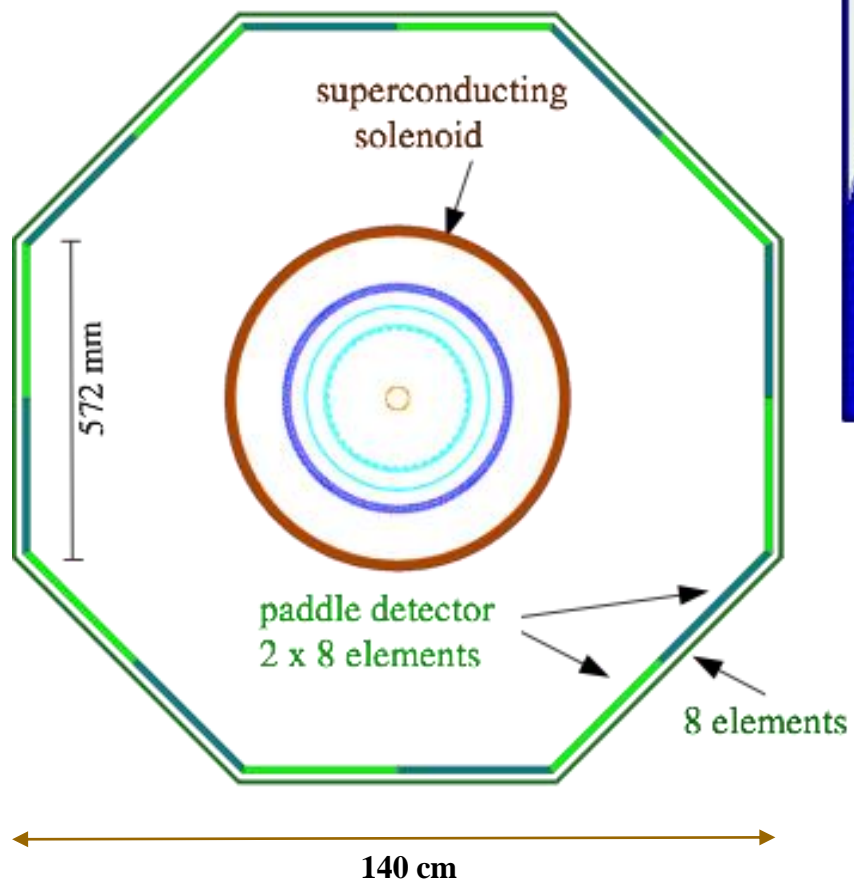


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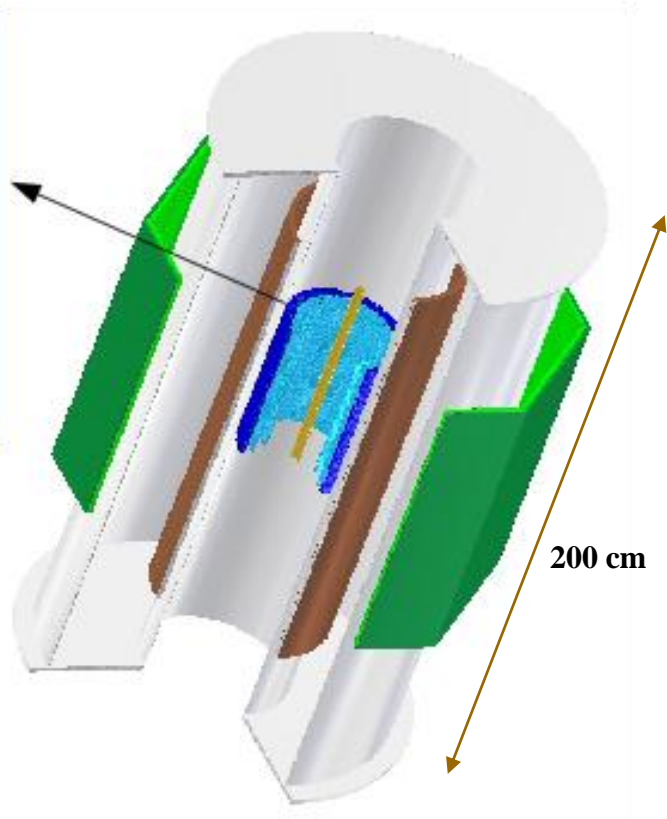
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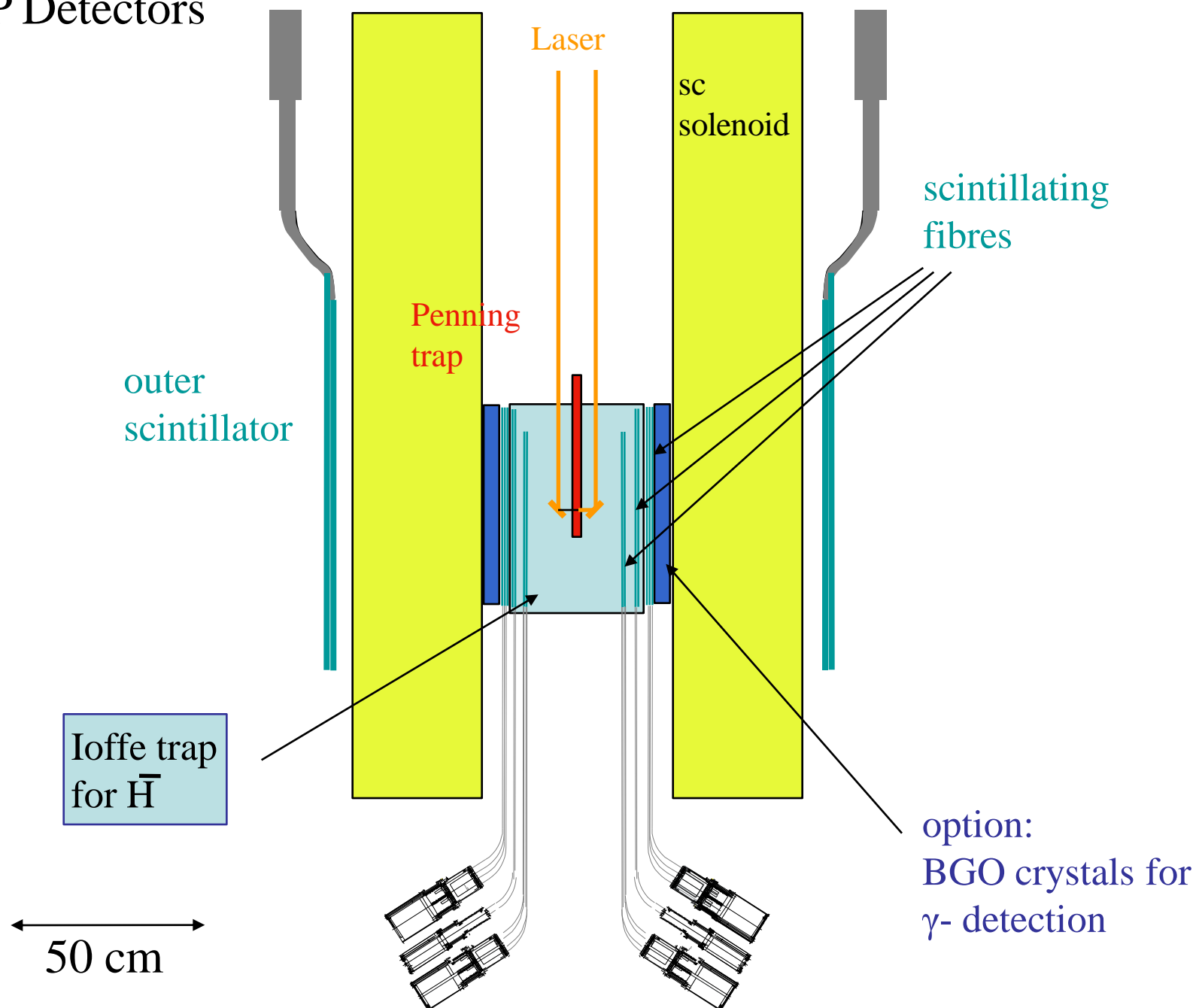
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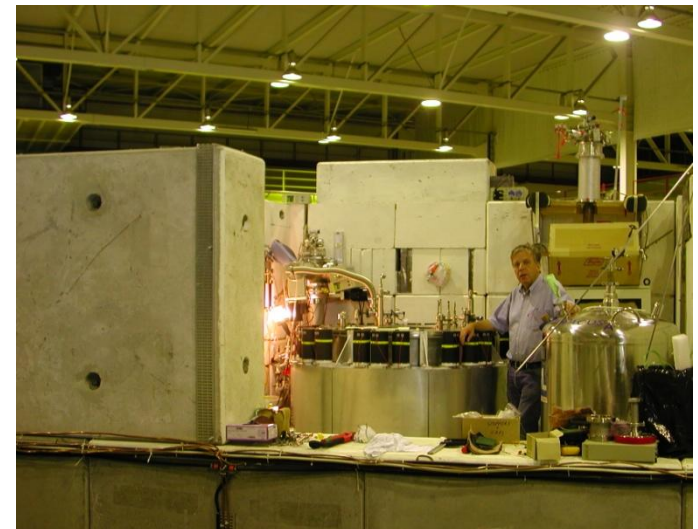
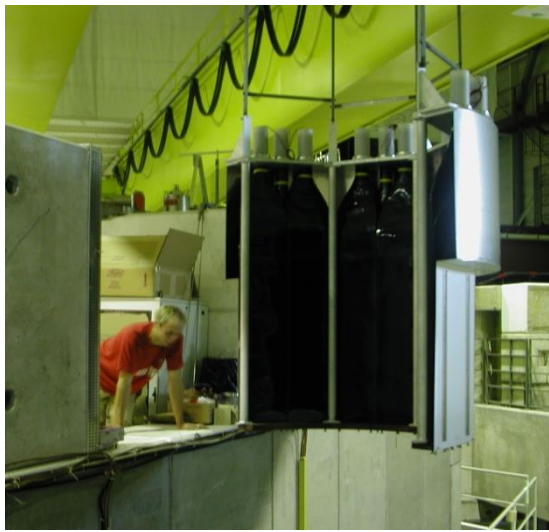
outer
middle
inner
fiberdetector
rings



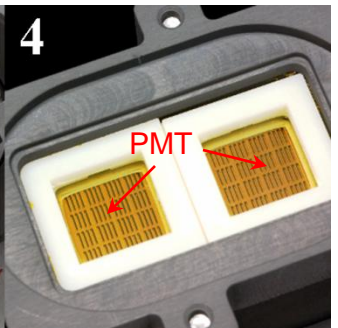
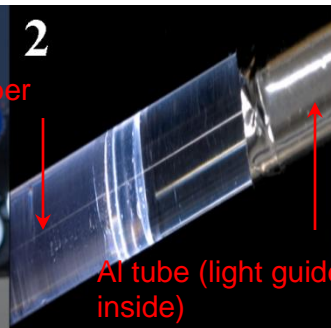
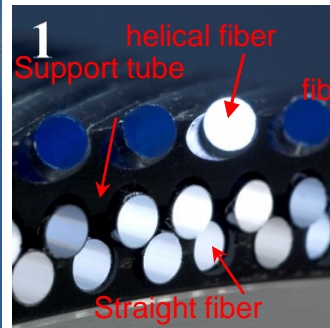
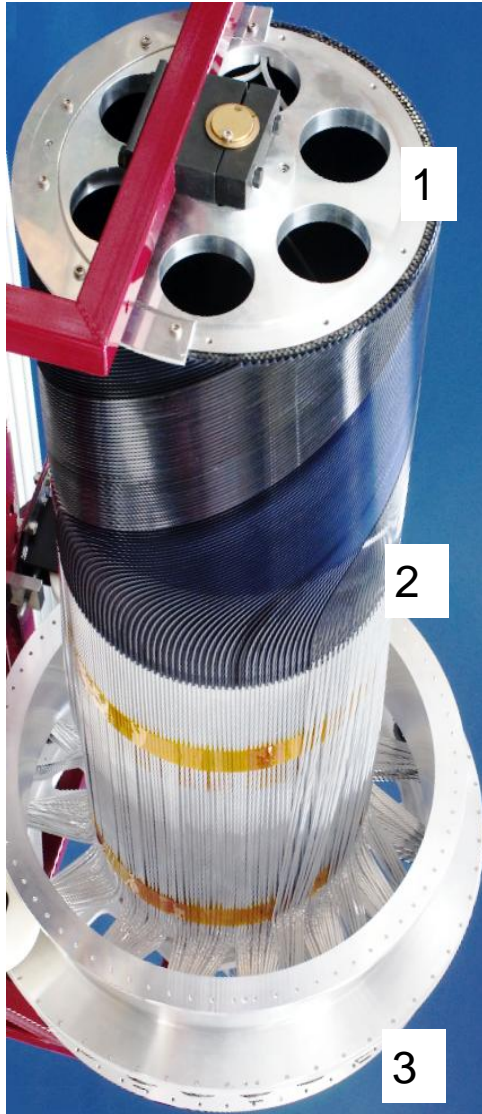
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Installation of Scintillator paddles

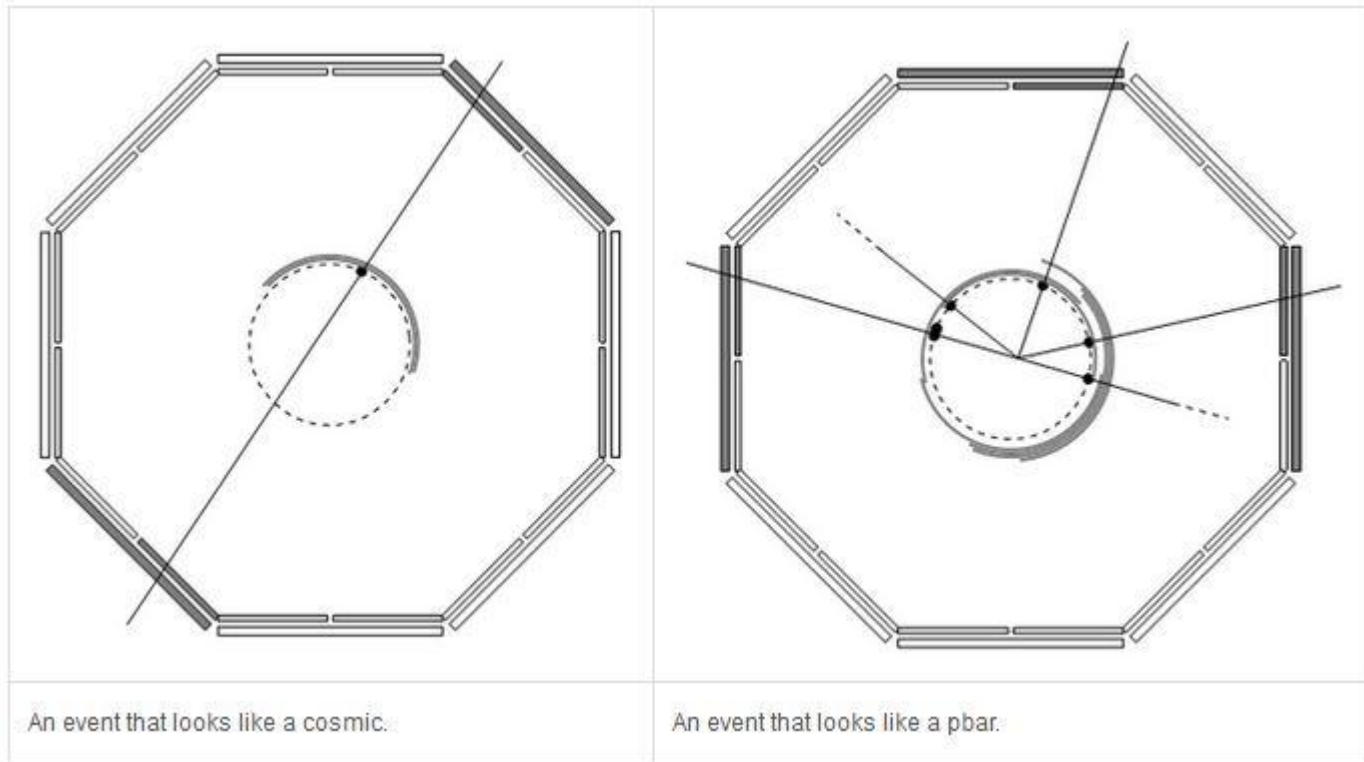


Scintillating fiber detector



Pbar Annihilation vs. background

Hits from actual event
(cosmic and pbar annihilation)

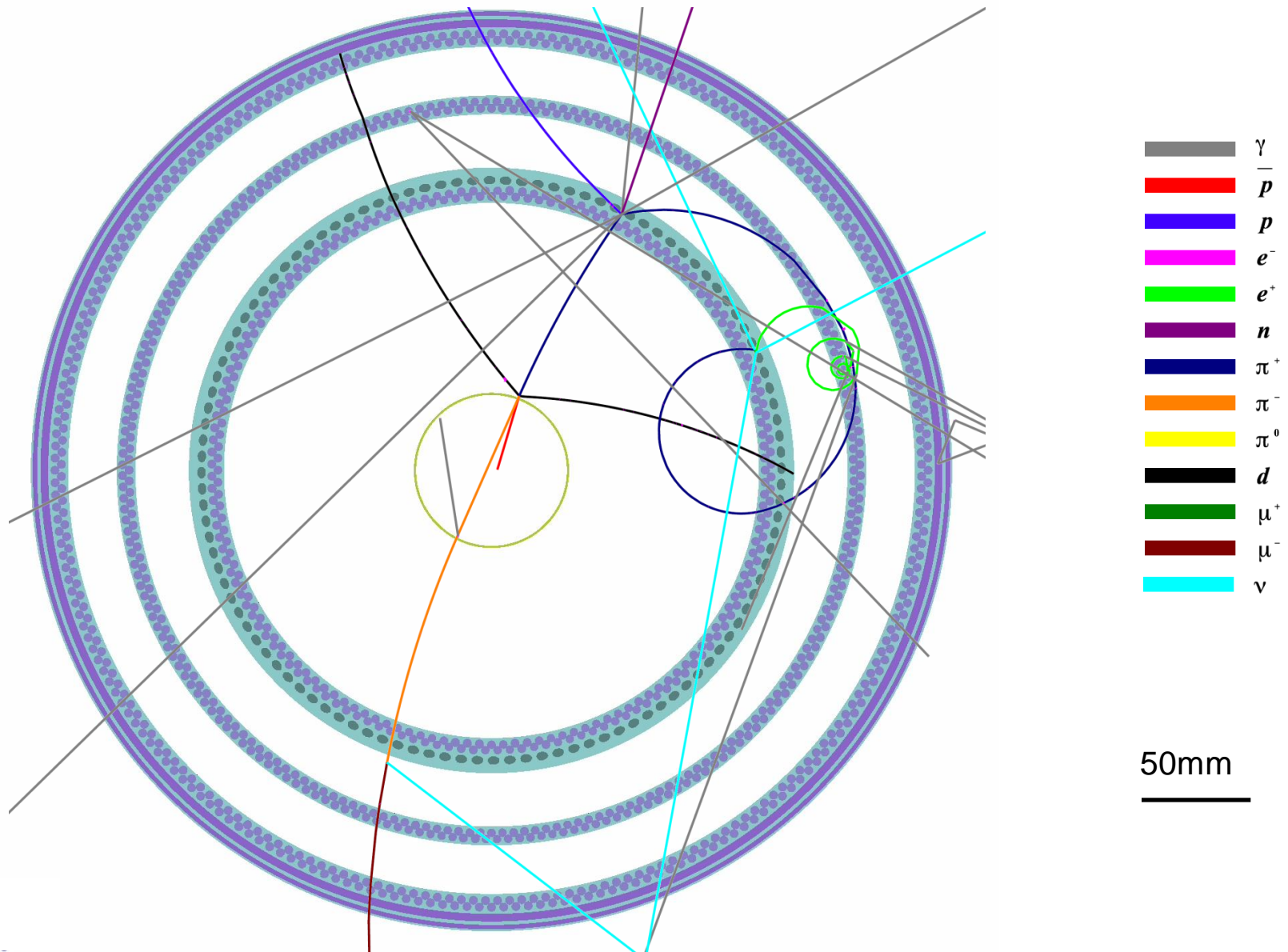


Analysis Method:

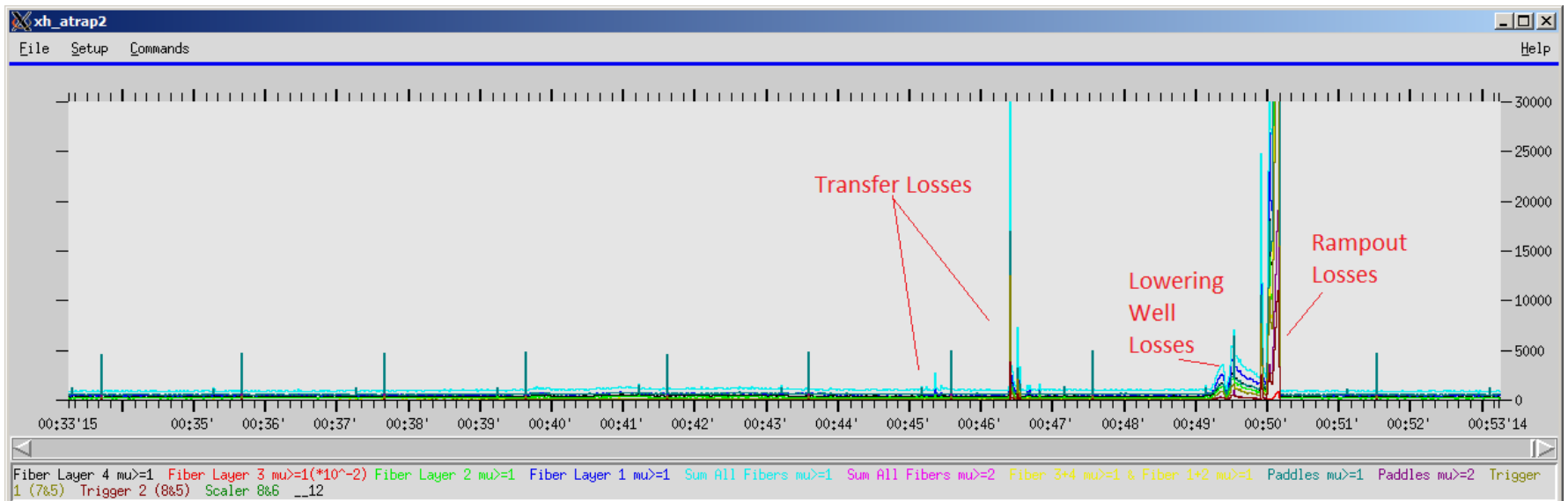
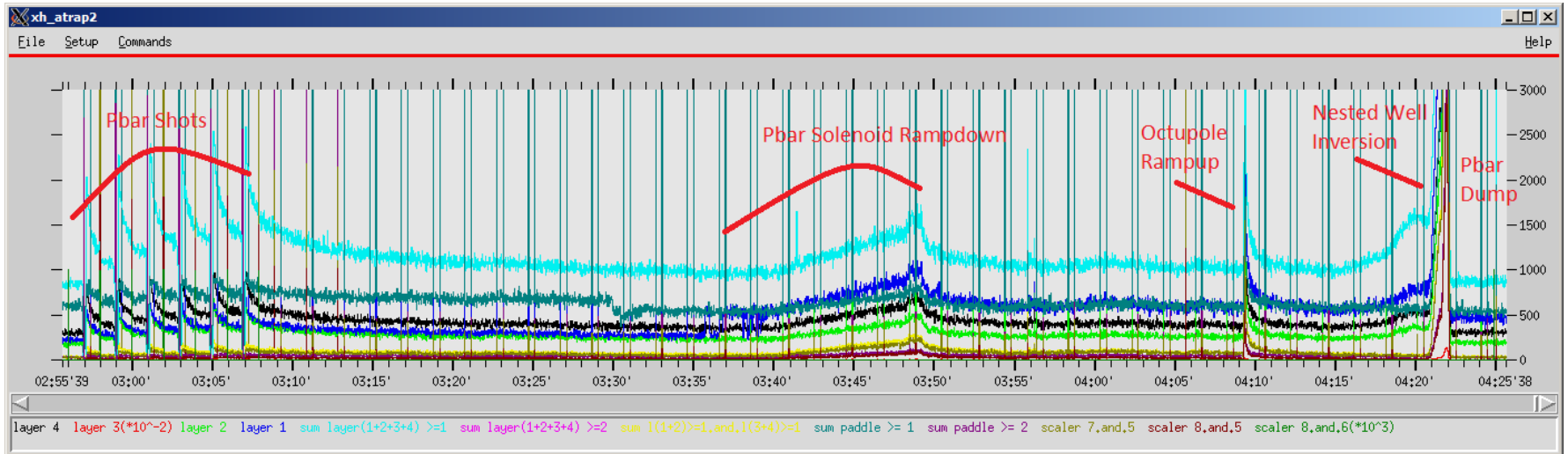
- data with cosmics, with pbar spill
- find probability distribution based on these two sets of data and decide if an event was from pbar or cosmic

Antiproton Annihilation Event (generated with GEANT-4)

ATRAP Detectors



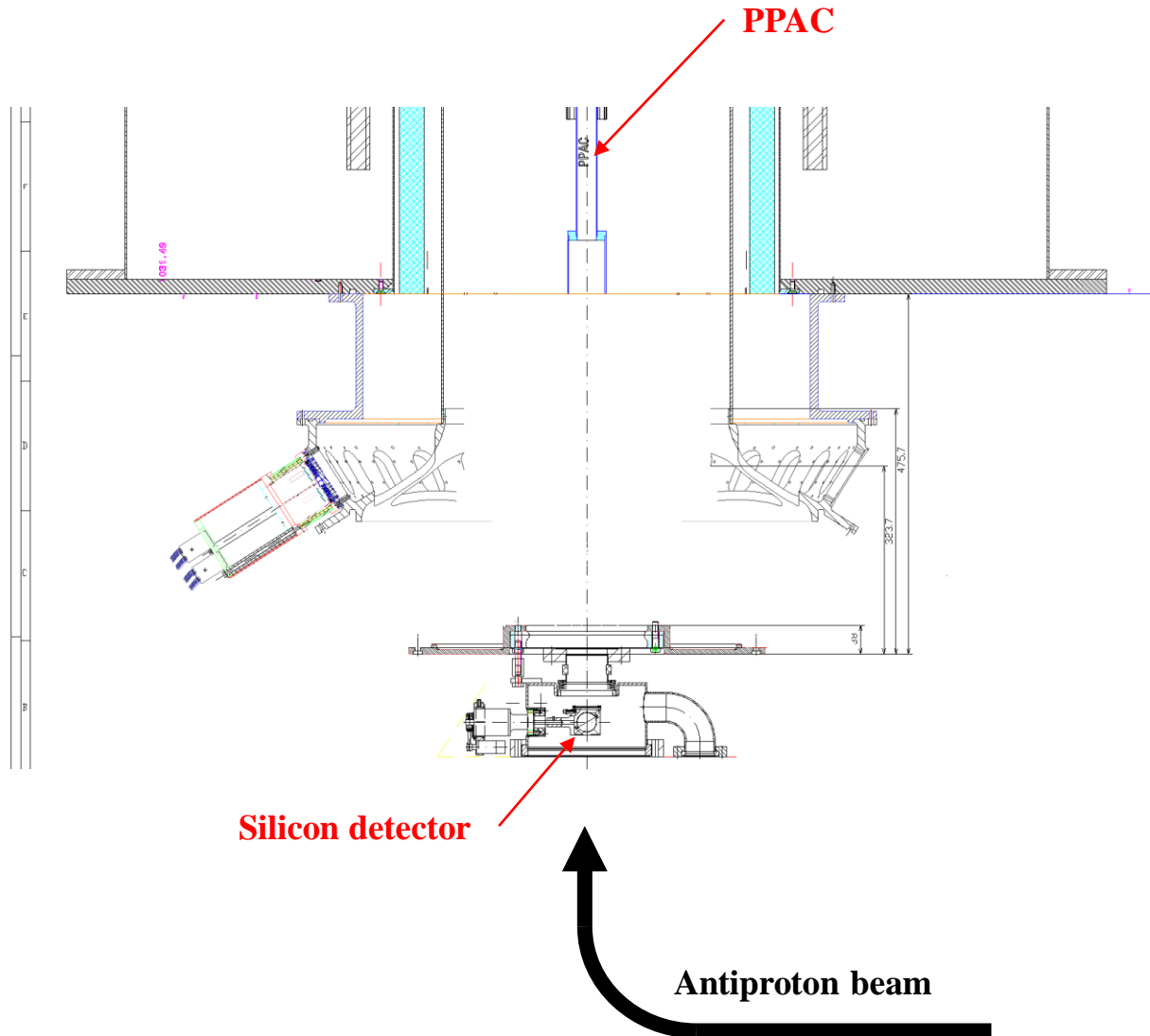
Live monitor - detector (scalers)



beam alignment/steering detectors

(important to trap on center B lines)

Relative locations of PPAC and Si-detector



PPAC : Parallel Plate Avalanche Counter

PPAC + Energy Tuning gas cell

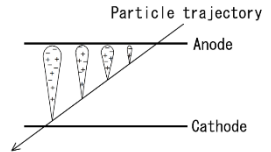
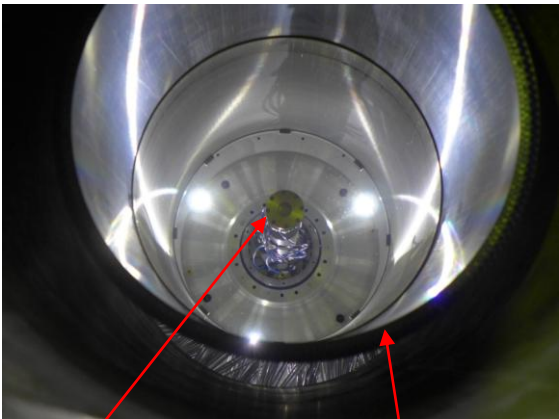
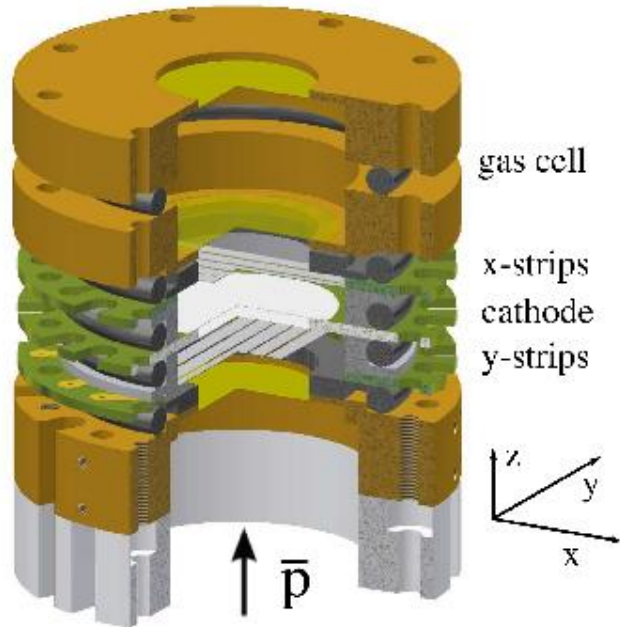


Fig. 1. Operating principles of PPAC.

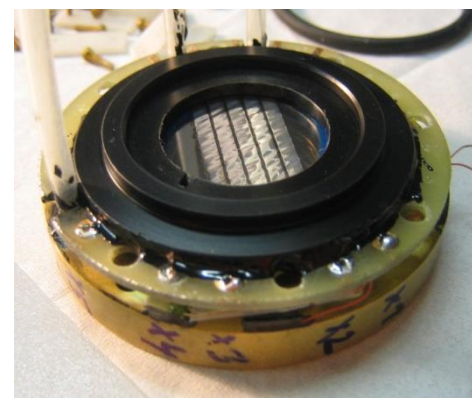
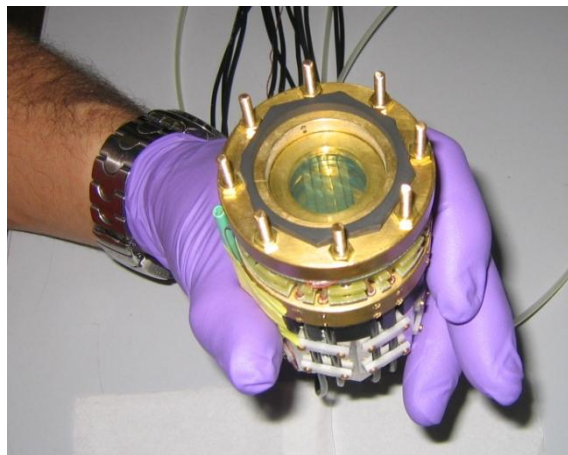
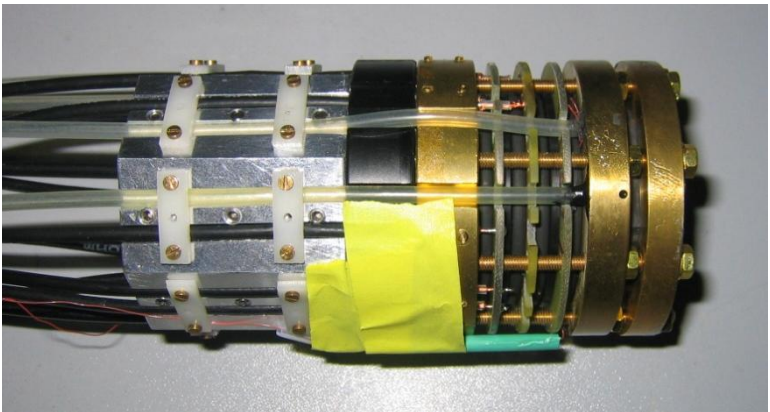
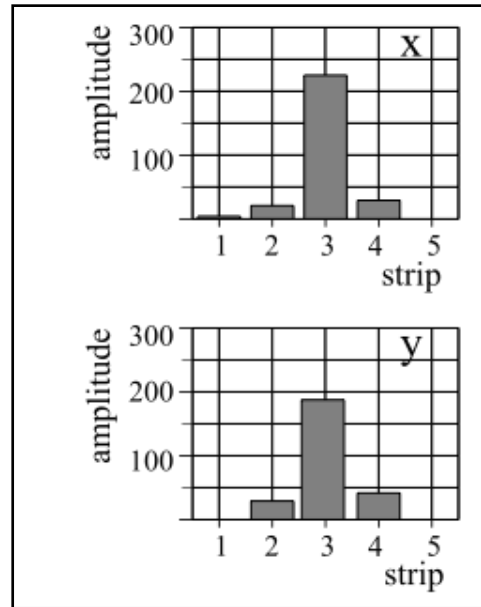


PPAC

Fiber detectors

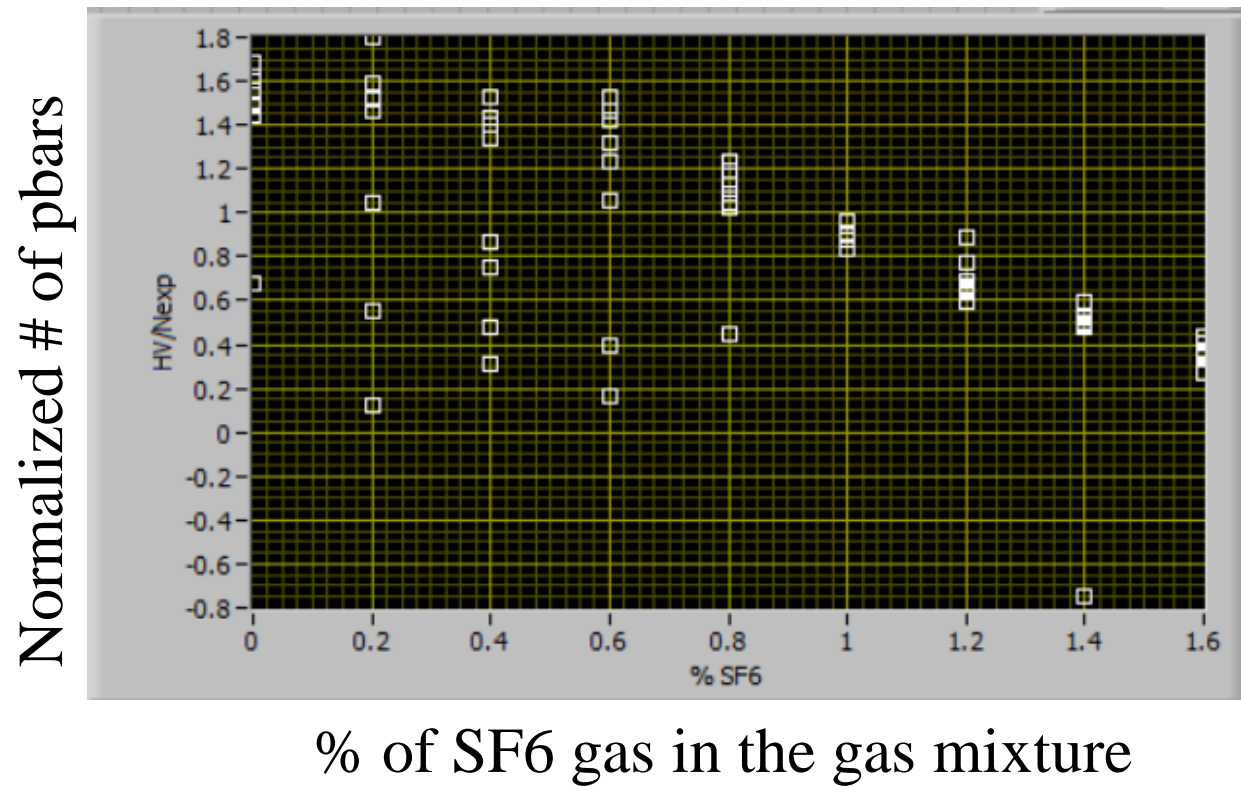


strip width: 2 mm
gap: 0.5 mm



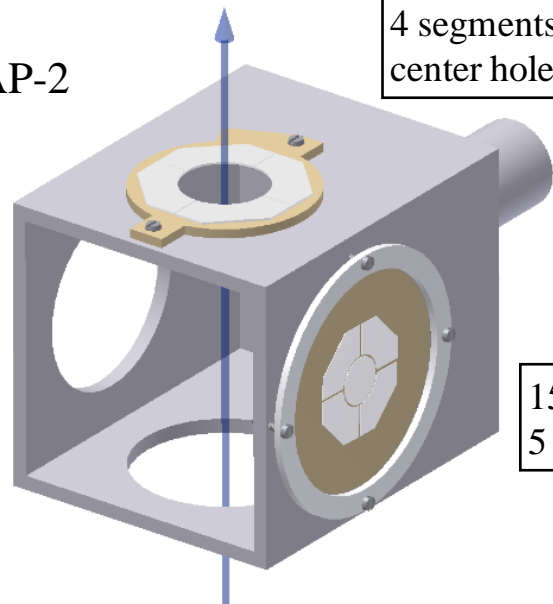
Etune gas mix ratio and # of pbars caught from an AD shot

Gas mixture : He + SF6



Si-detectors

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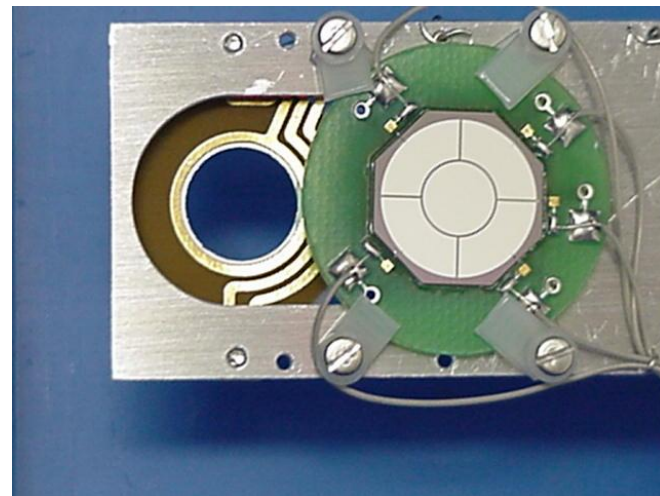


200 μm thick
4 segments
center hole: 12 mm

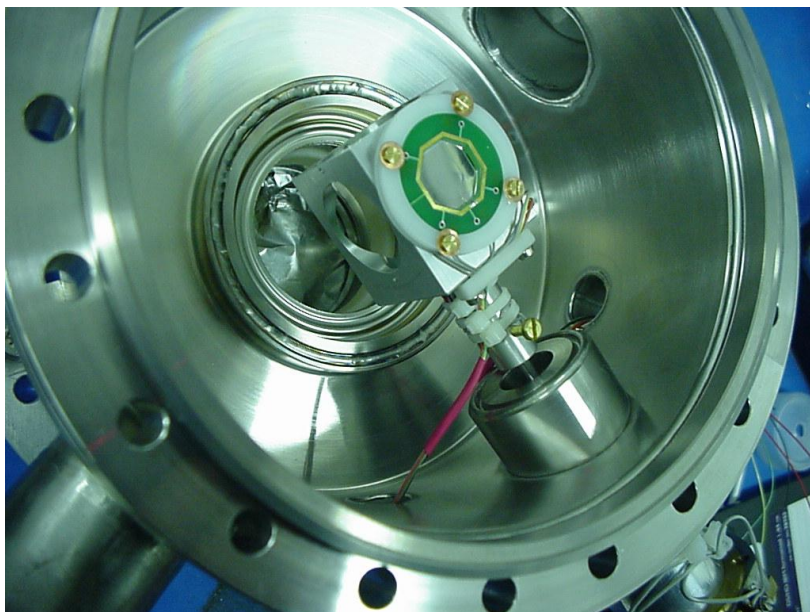
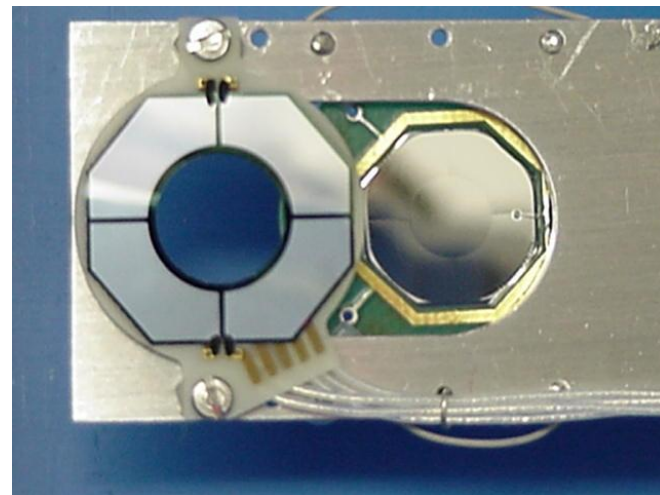
15 μm thick
5 segments

ATRAP-1

front side

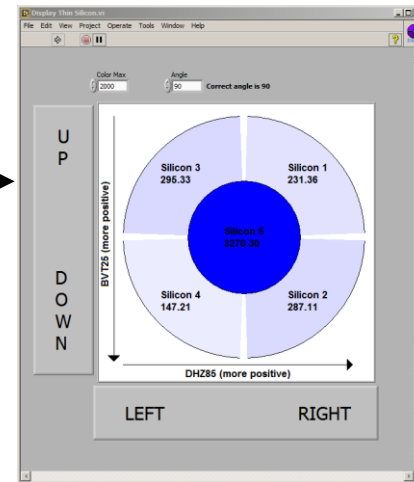
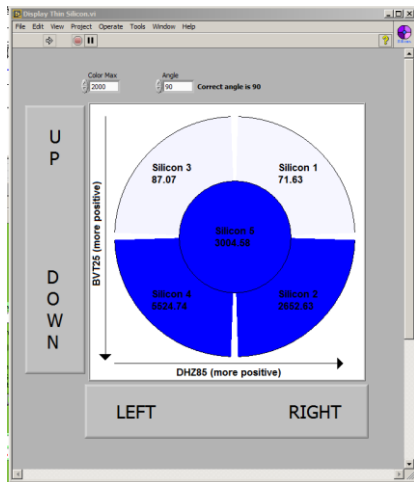
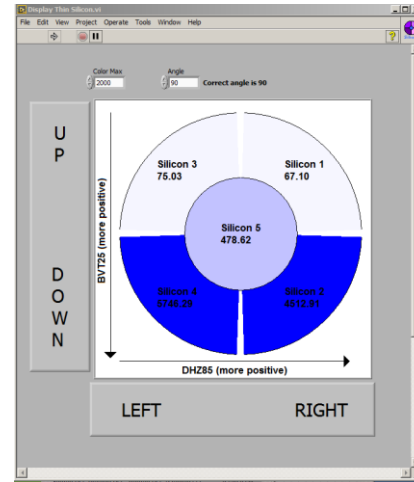
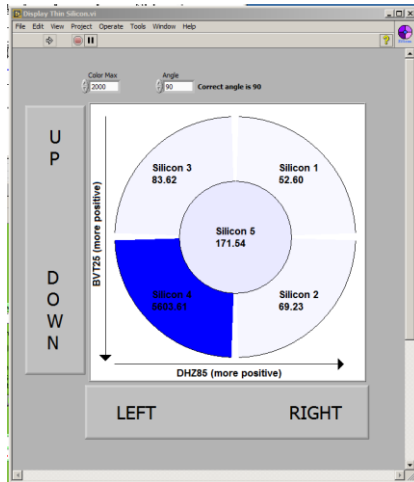


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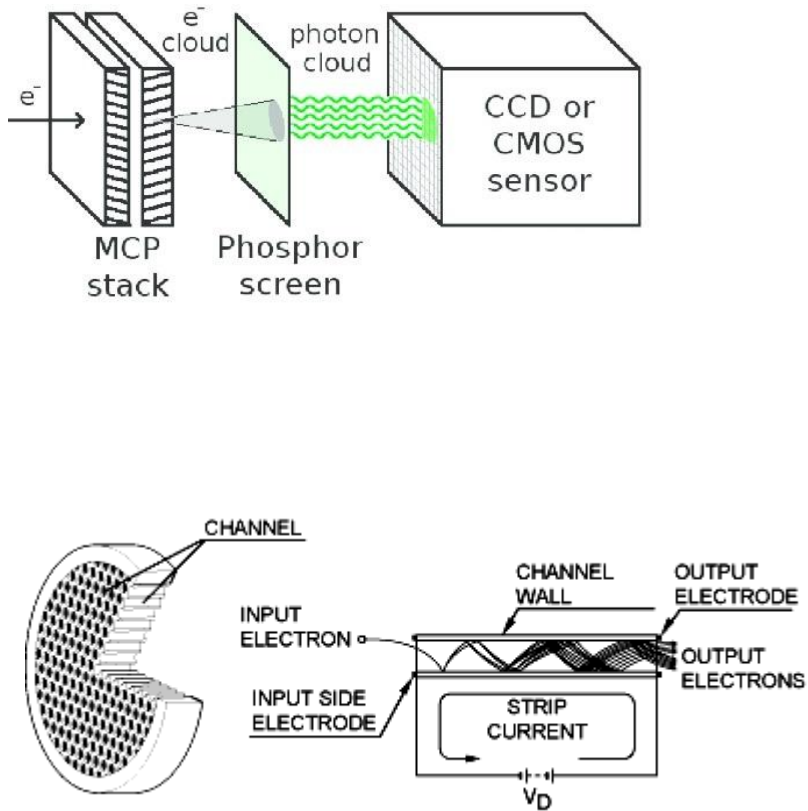


Examples of beam position monitored by Si Detector

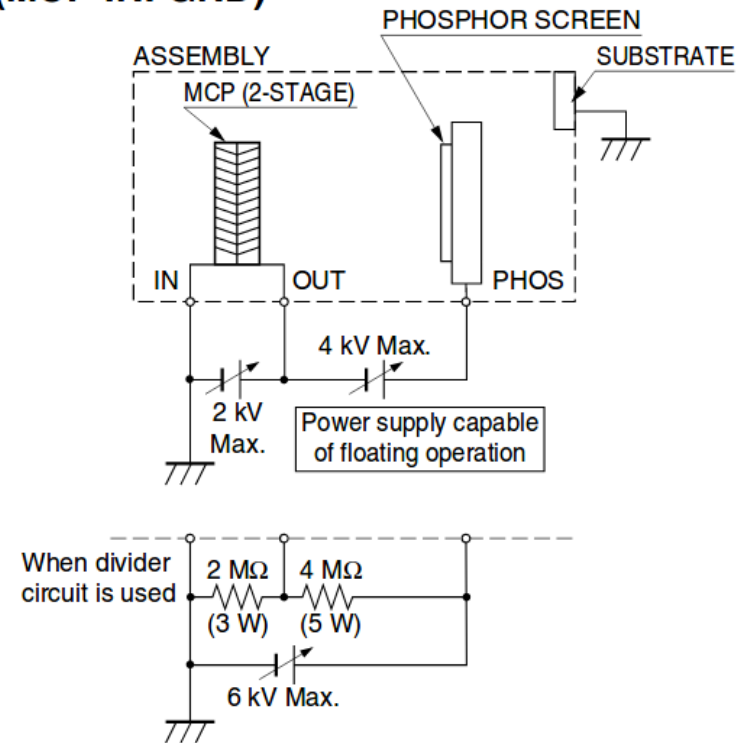
Need to know exactly which magnet (current) in beam line to tweak !



Plasma diagnostics: MCP + Phosphor + Camera

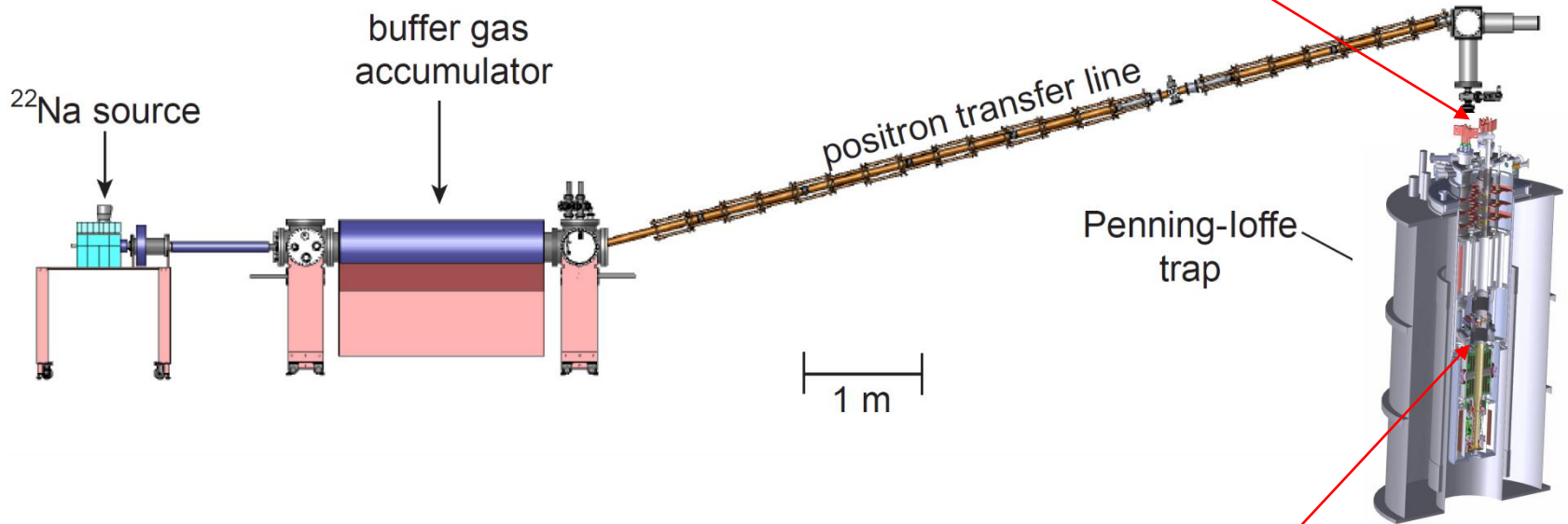


● **Electron or positive ion detection (MCP-IN: GND)**

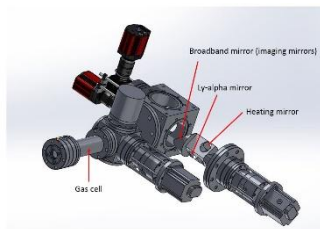
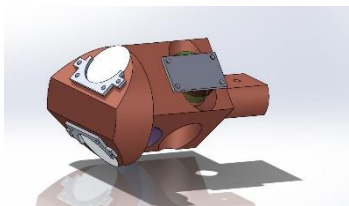


Location of MCP+Phosphor screen

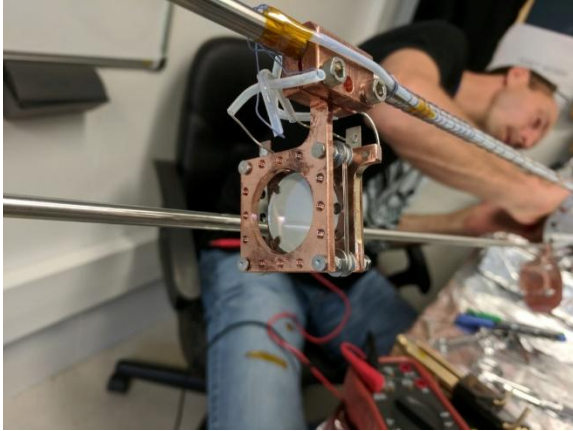
MCP+Phosphor for e⁺ beam



MCP+Phosphor for all species
(plasma imaging)

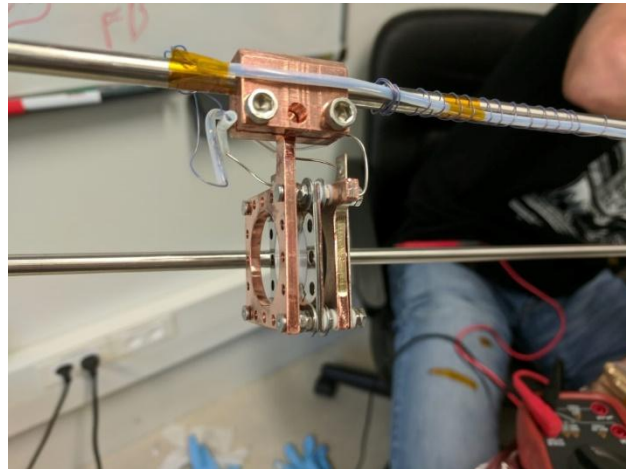
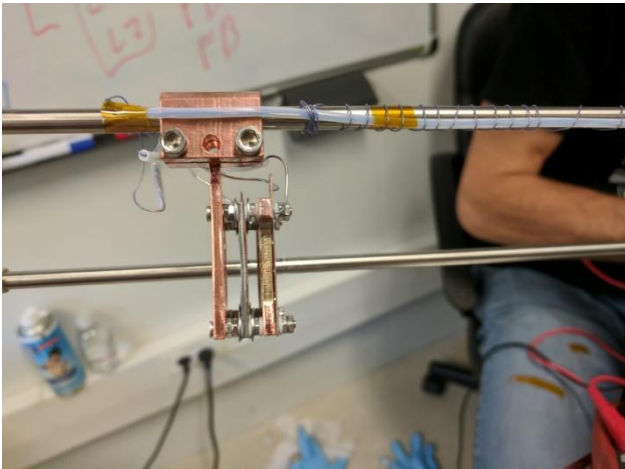


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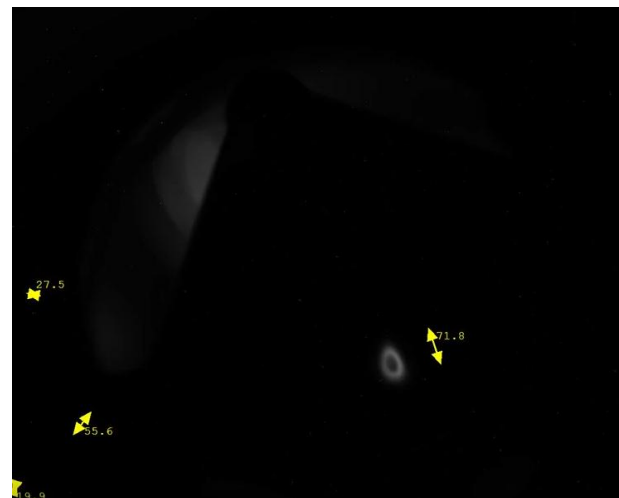
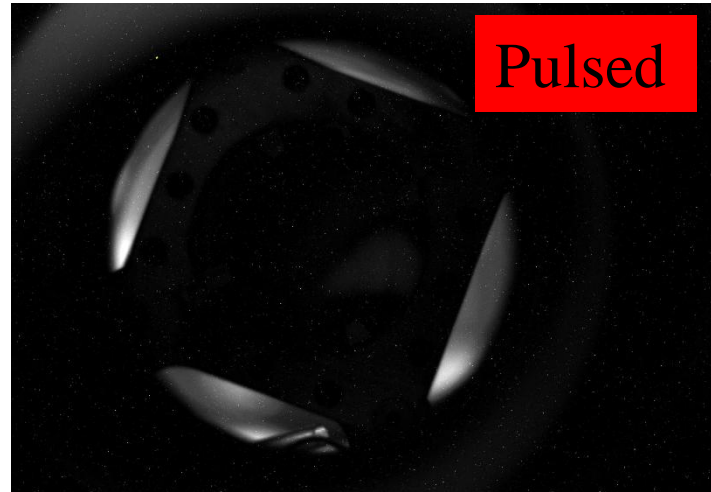
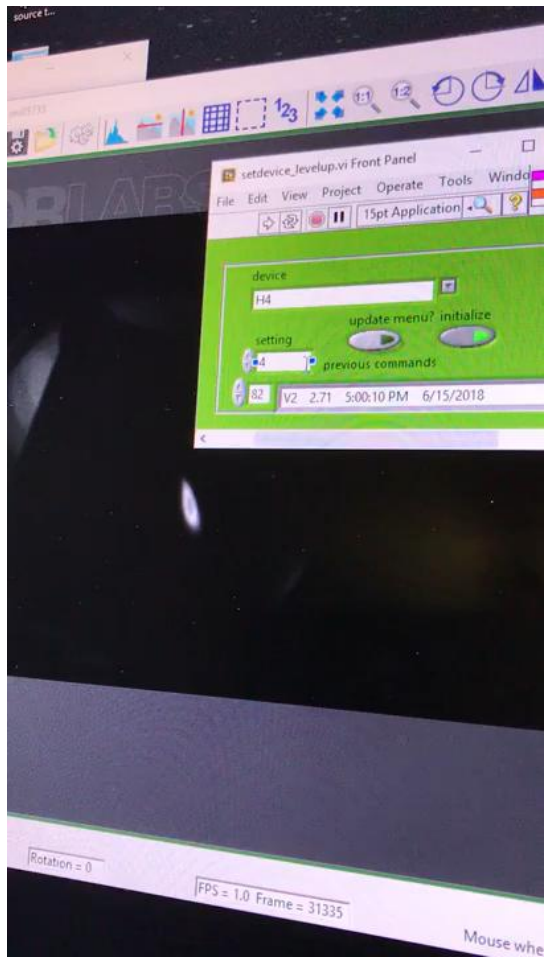
Crazy ! Mad ! Angry !

- First time, shorted after few rotations in and out
- Second time the applied HV deflected e⁺
- Third time managed with shielded co-ax cable for HV bias



Video: continuous e+ beam

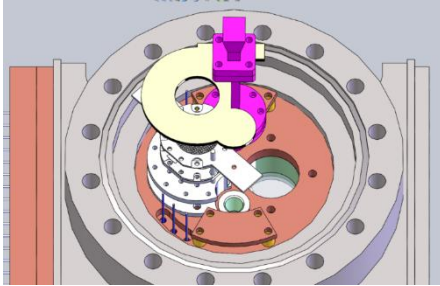
Without accumulation, straight from source



Preserves the ring shape
(formed at moderator of
frozen neon gas)



MCP+Phosphor for all species



- MCP at Cryogenic temp, in high B field
- Use laser to heat, bring MCP temp >20K to operate

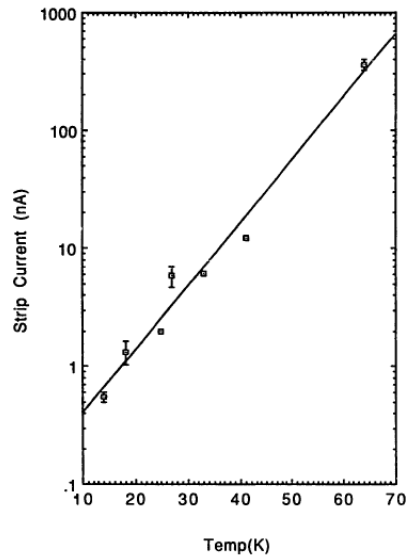
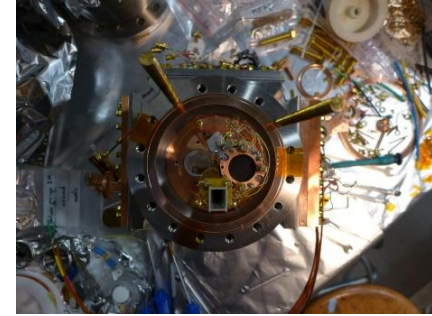


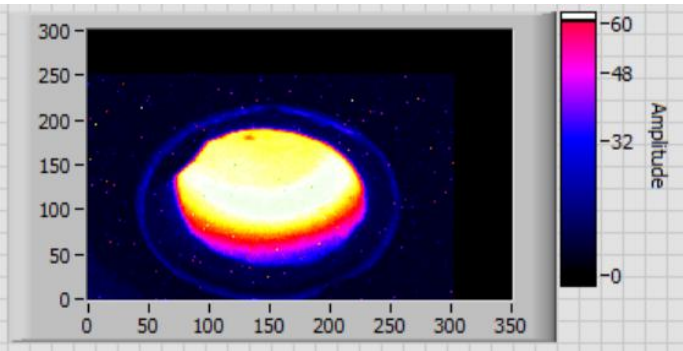
Fig. 4. Variation of strip current with the ambient temperature of the channel plate mounting fixture. The line is the result of a least squares fit, $I_2 = (0.12 \text{ nA}) \exp(T/0.81)$.



MCP+Phosphor for all species

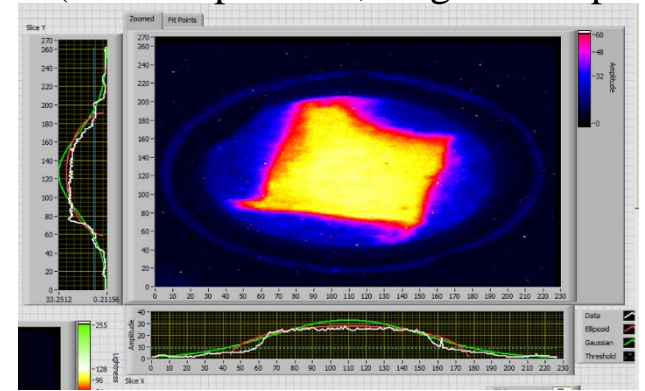
pbar (bad compression, magnetic trap ON)

e- (no compression)

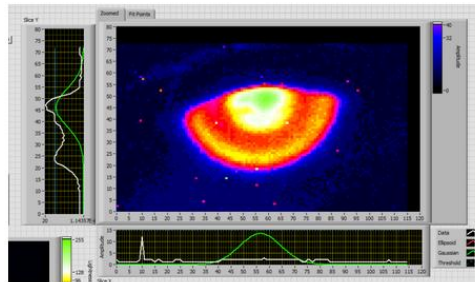


Diameter of phosphor screen: 25mm

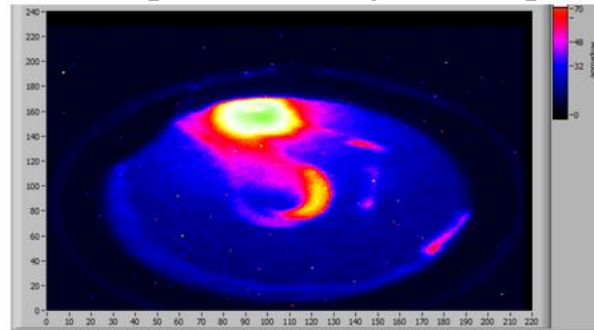
Goal is to get sub mm plasma



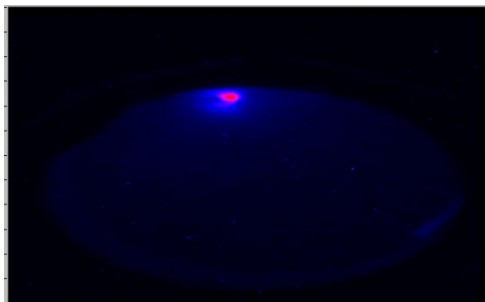
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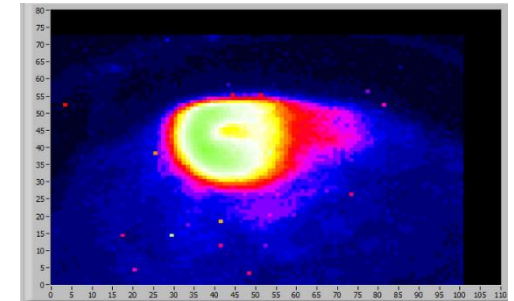
e+ (compression, magnetic trap ON)



e- (compression, less particles)

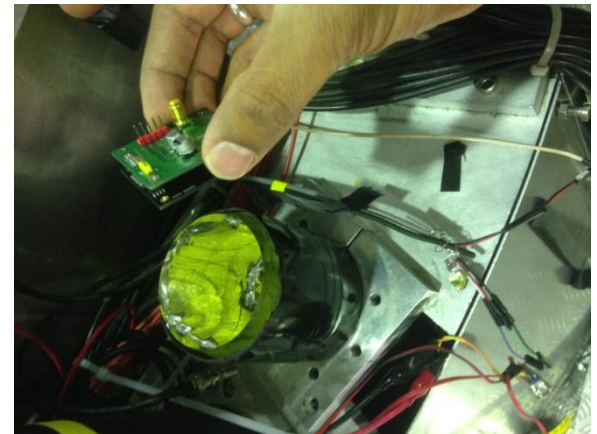
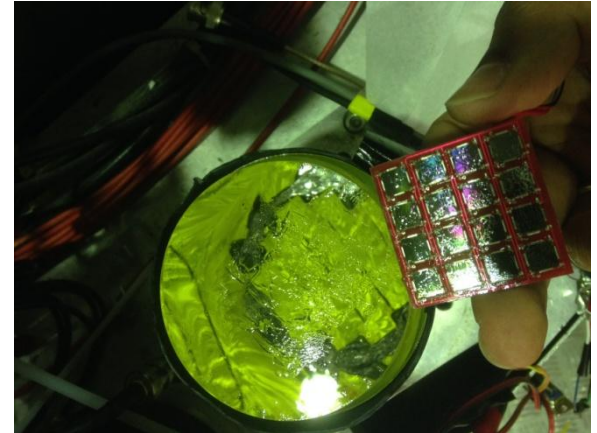
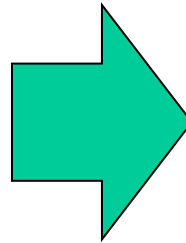


pbar (compression, magnetic trap ON)



Recent Upgrades

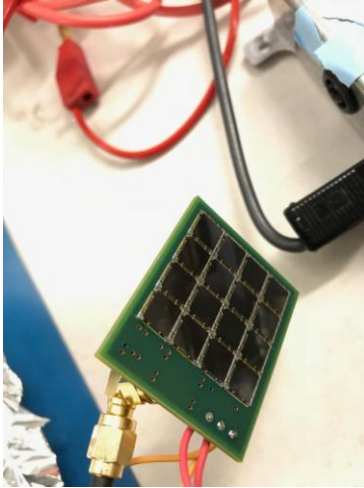
- **Replaced PMT with SiPM array**
- Magnetic field effect, need shield
- He gas into PMT, causing noise
- Making SiPM array, not straight forward



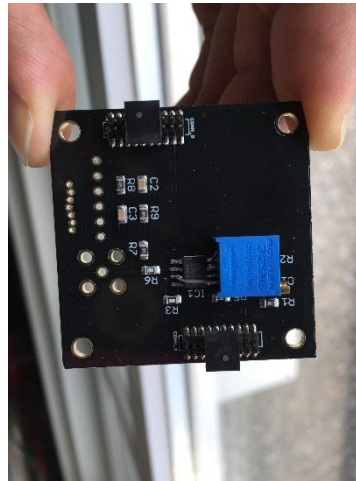
Recent Upgrades

- **SiPM Array (by D. Zambrano, PhD student at ATRAP)**
- Three tests: sum all 16 SiPM output, sum 4 in one, individual readout

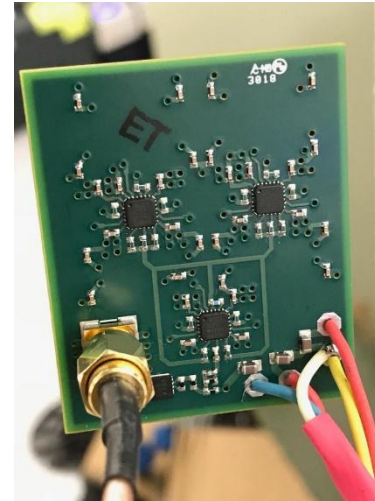
array front



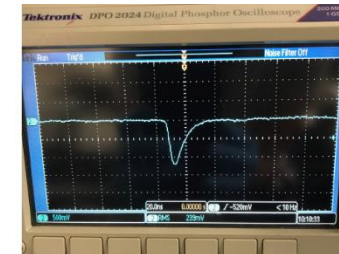
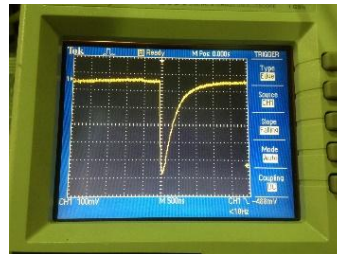
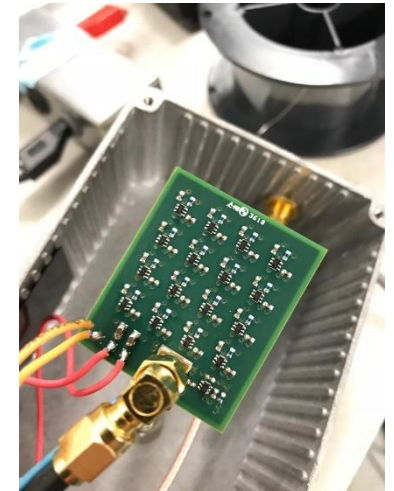
sum all 16 output



Sum group of 4



readout individually

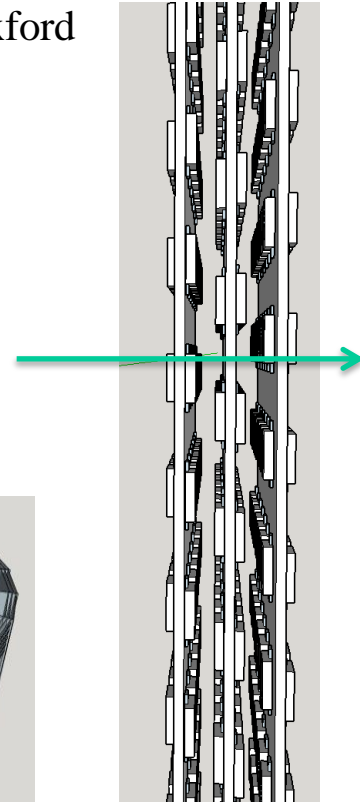
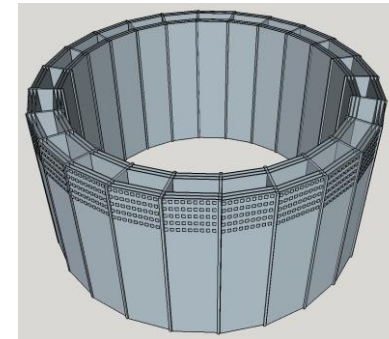
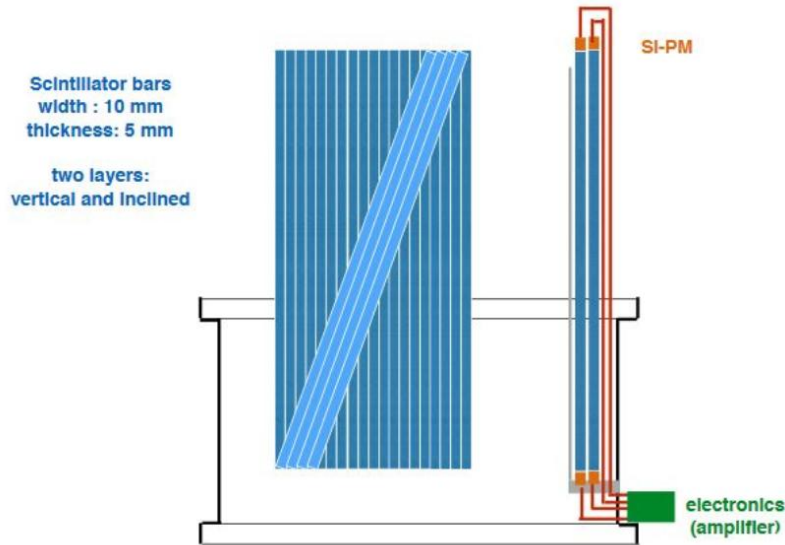


Used AD8000 & AD8003

Future Upgrades

Add an additional layer (layers) of detector to be able to get a track and z-resolution
New DAQ based on TRB + PADIWA (from GSI)

by R. Plackett, Uni. Oxford

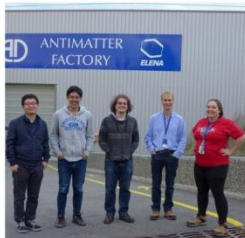


Thin Scint. strips with SiPM
readout on two ends

Silicon PIN Photodiode
(e.g. Vishay VBPW34S),
Cheap solution but advantage of
Silicon technology

Summary

- new plasma diagnostics → better control of our plasmas
- Goal is to simultaneously make large number of trapped Hbars in a single trial, then laser cool them and do precise spectroscopy.





Thank you for your attention !!!

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