

# IsoDAR: Neutrino Physics Using a High Current Cyclotron

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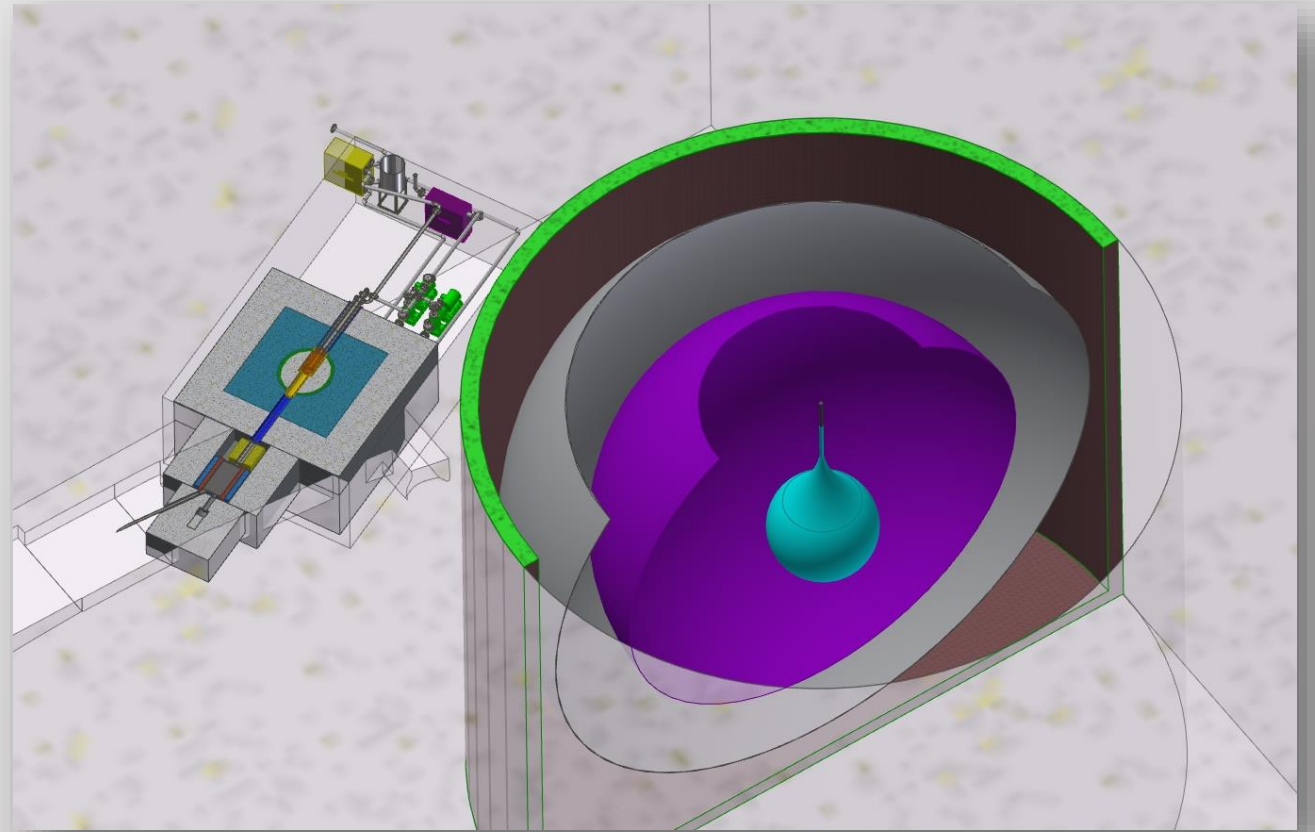
# Overview

## Motivation

- Standard model
- Neutrino oscillations
- Anomalies
- Sterile neutrinos

## IsoDAR

- Setup
- Physics
- Current Status
- Beyond IsoDAR



# Standard Model

## Quarks

up, charm, top  
down, strange, charm

## Leptons

electron, muon, tau

$\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$

## Force carriers

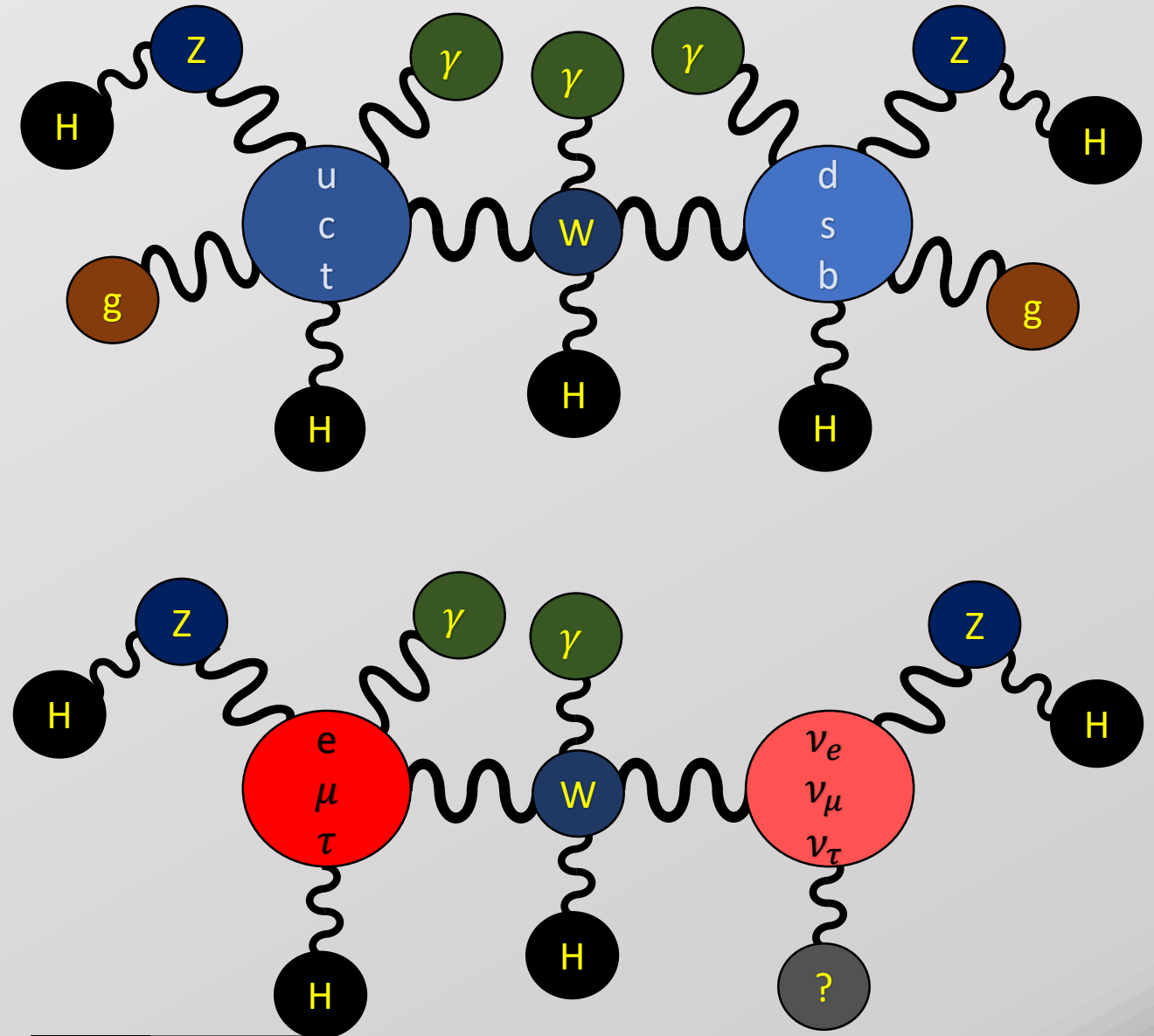
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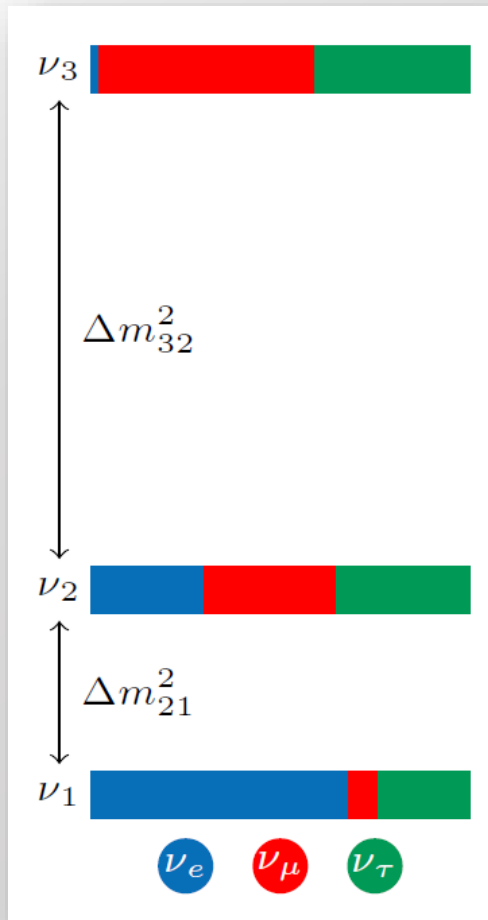
W, Z

## Mass

Higgs



# Neutrino oscillations



- Interact in flavor eigenstates
- Propagate in mass eigenstates

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ \nu_\mu \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu1} & U_{\mu2} & U_{\mu3} \\ U_{\tau1} & U_{\tau2} & U_{\tau3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_1 \\ \nu_2 \\ \nu_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta} = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4 \sum_{j>i} U_{\alpha i} U_{\beta i} U_{\alpha j}^* U_{\beta j}^* \sin^2 \left( 1.27 \Delta m_{ij}^2 \frac{L}{E} \right)$$

arXiv:1609.07803v2 [hep-ex] 2 Aug 2017

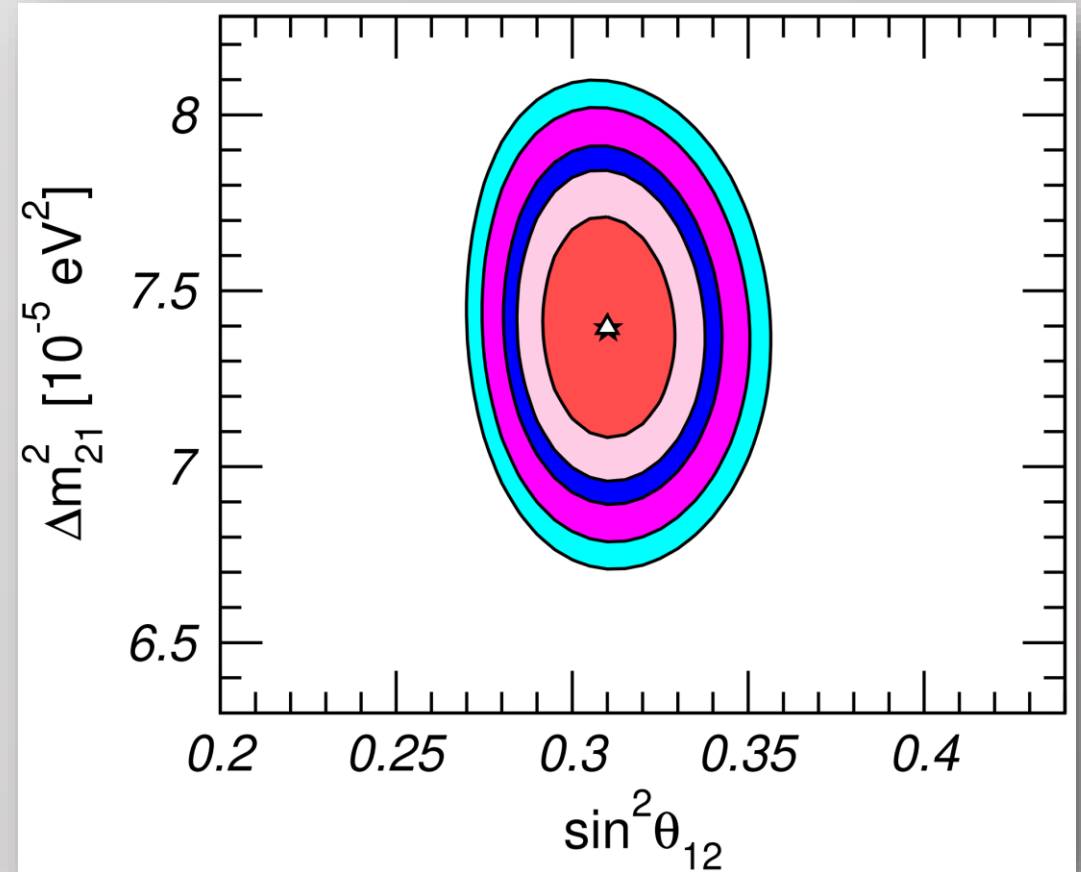
$$P_{\nu_{\alpha} \rightarrow \nu_{\beta}} = \sin^2(2\theta) \sin^2\left(1.27 \Delta m^2 \frac{L}{E}\right)$$

- $\sin^2 2\theta \rightarrow$  statistics
- $\frac{L}{E} \rightarrow$  experiment setup
- $\sin^2 2\theta$  vs.  $\Delta m^2$
- Allow/exclude regions

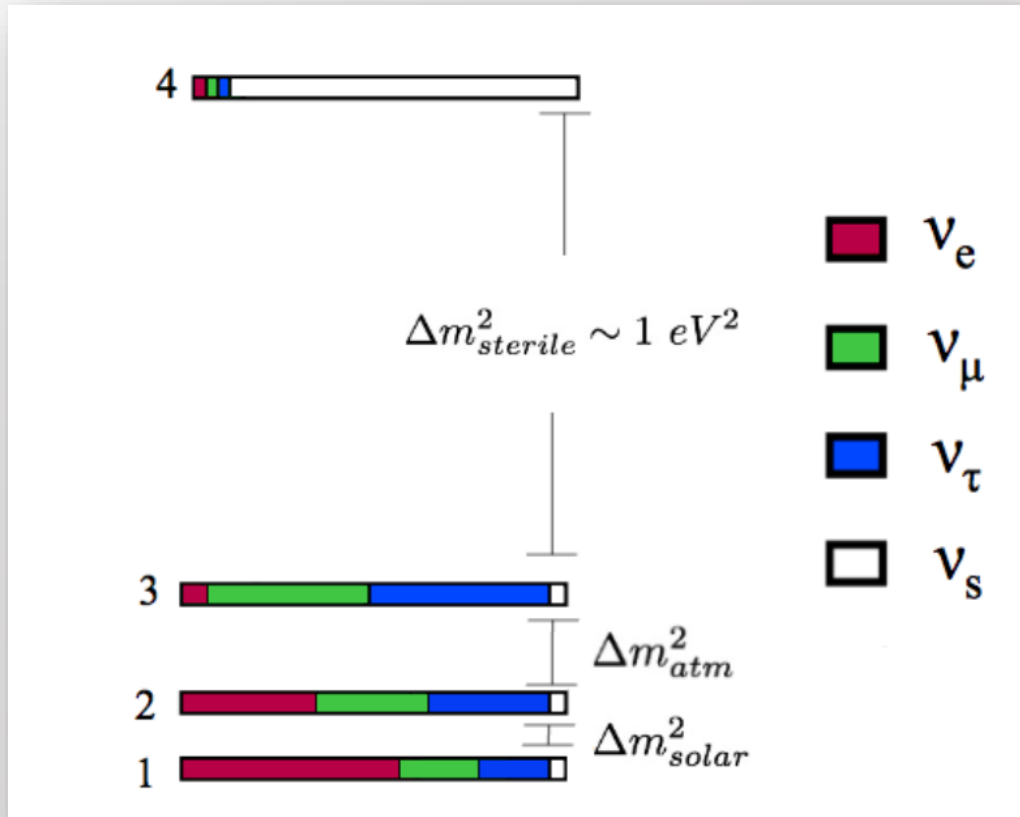
Example plot from  $\mathcal{V}_{fit}$ :

<http://arxiv.org/abs/1811.05487>

<http://www.nu-fit.org/>



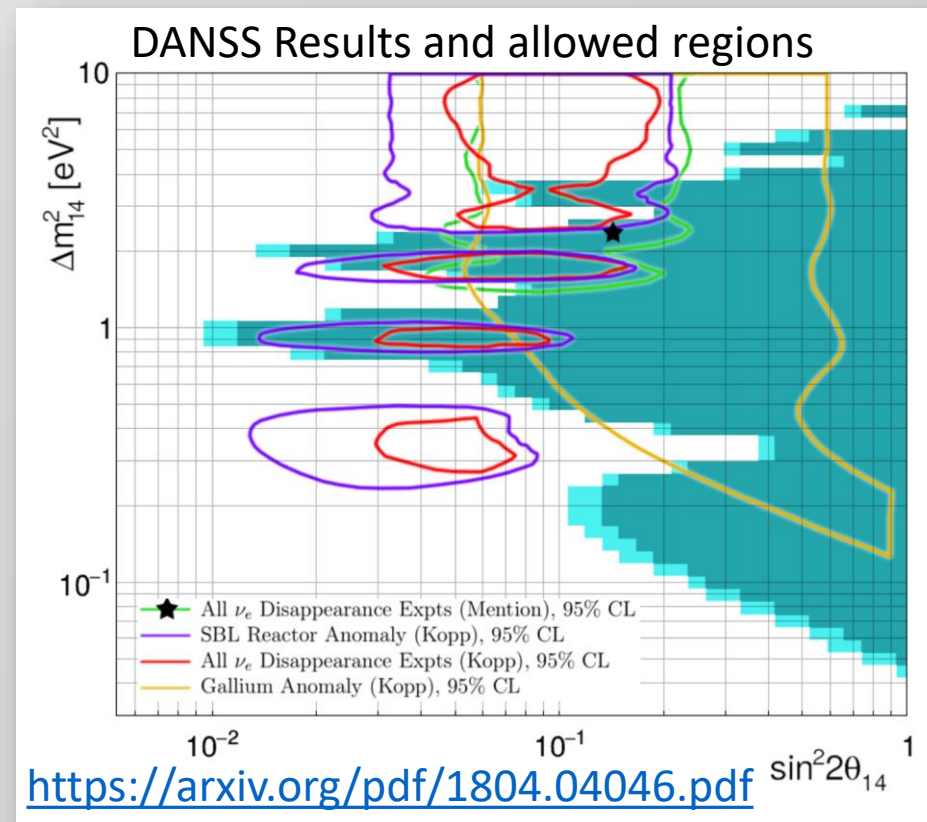
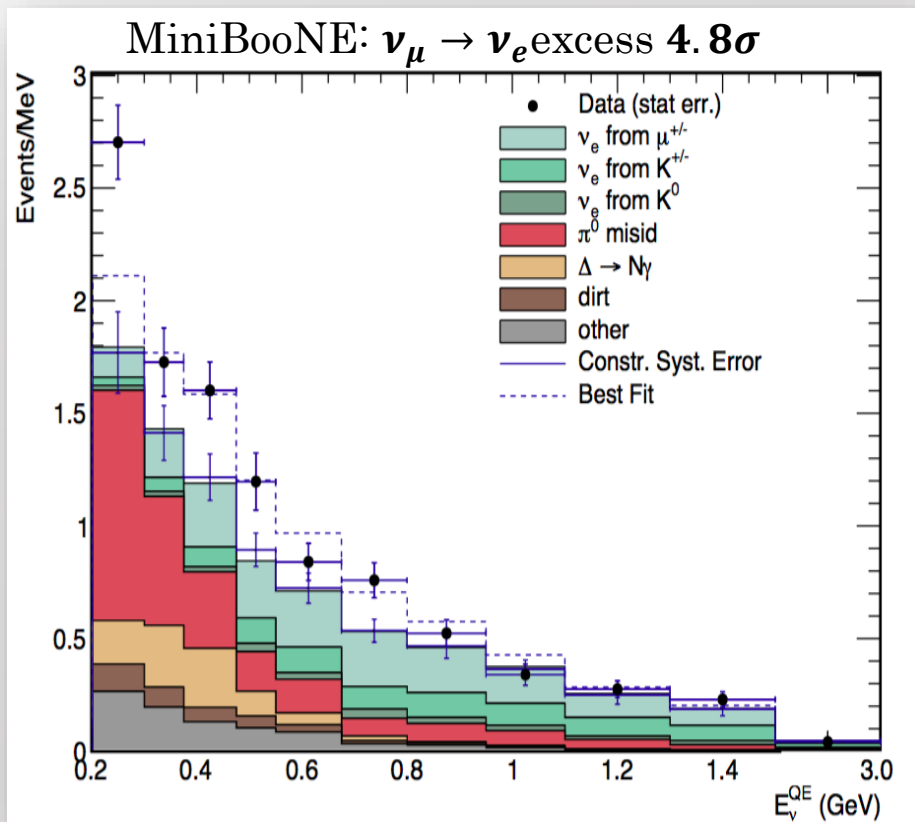
# Sterile neutrinos



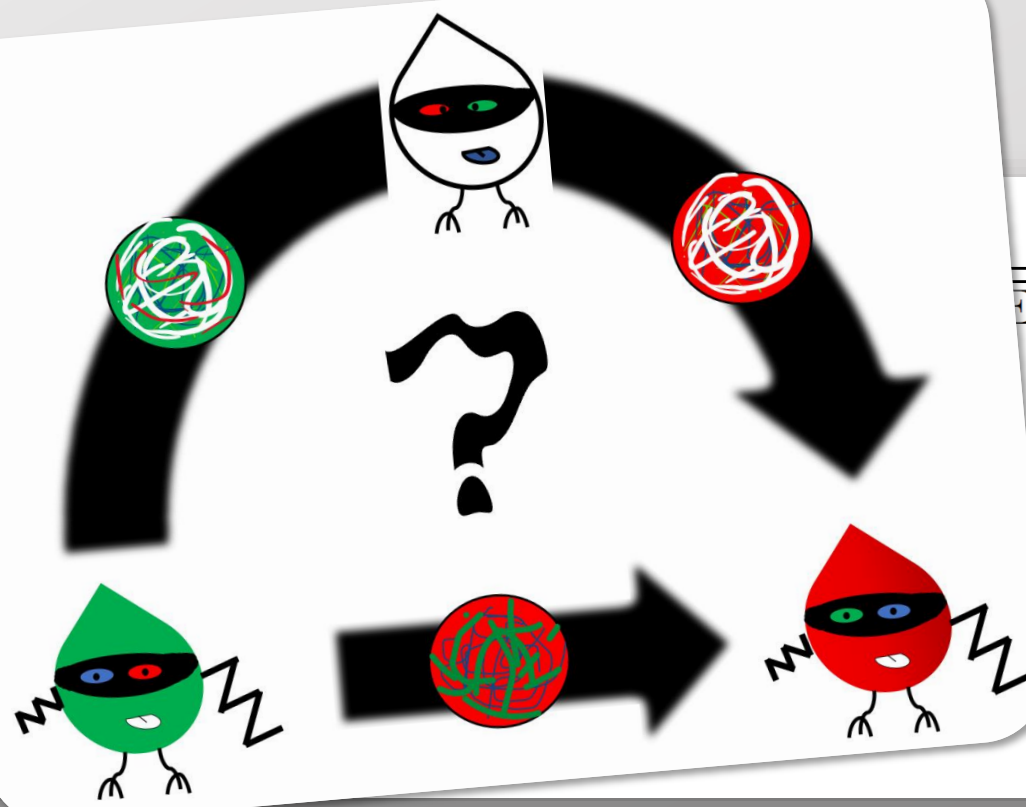
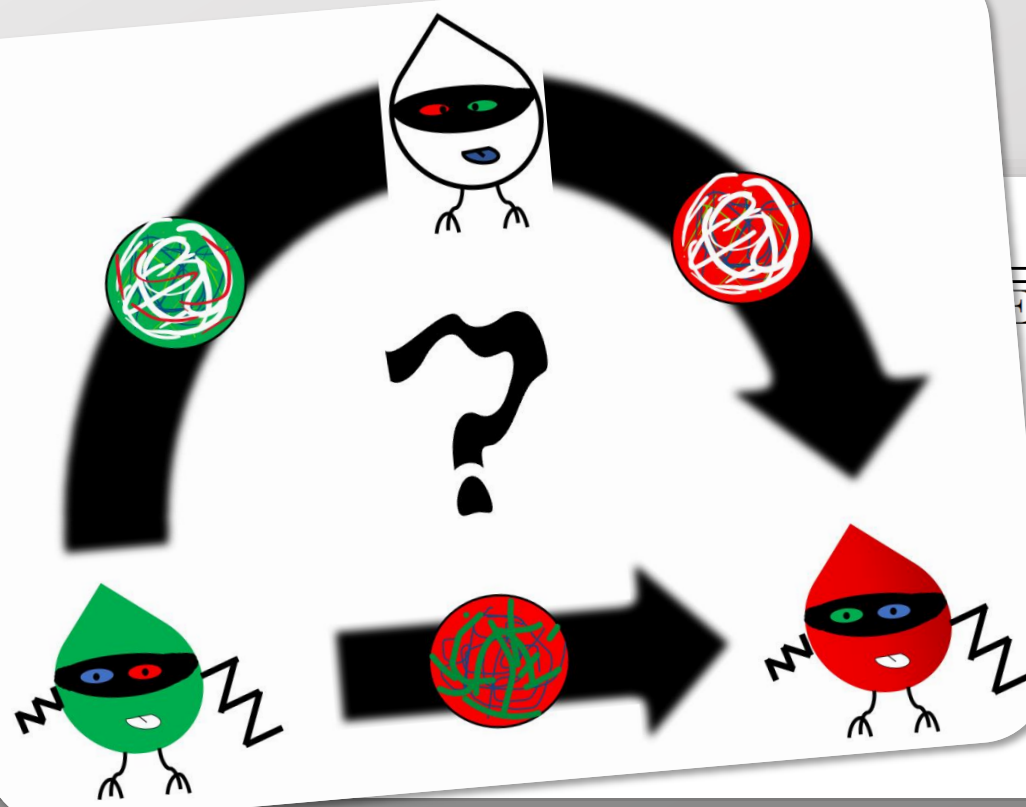
- Additional neutrino flavors
- Sterile flavors don't interact through weak force
- Active neutrinos can oscillate into sterile neutrinos

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# Oscillation Experiments

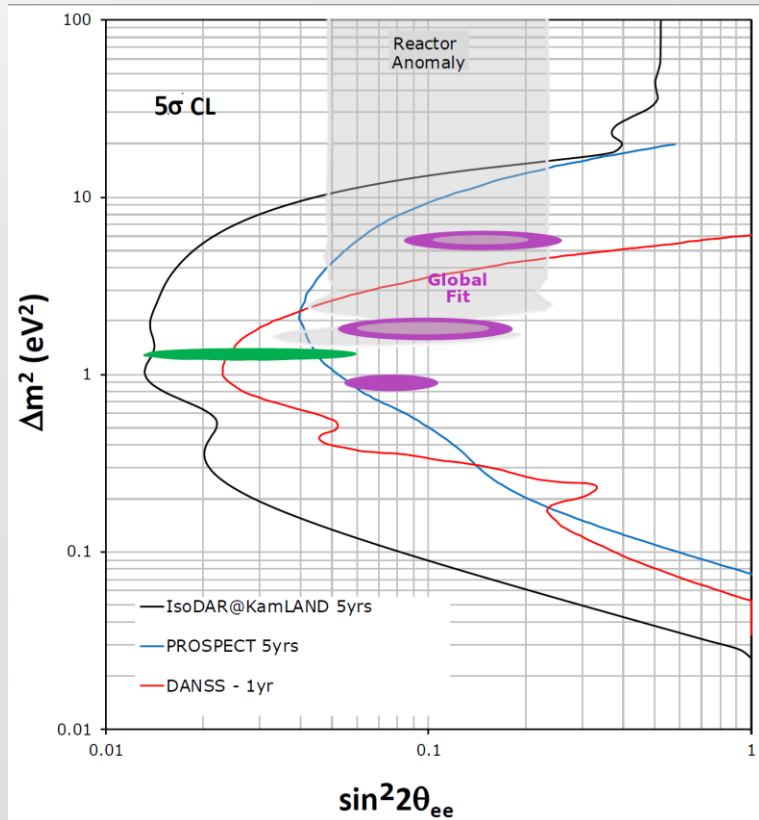


# More oscillation experiments

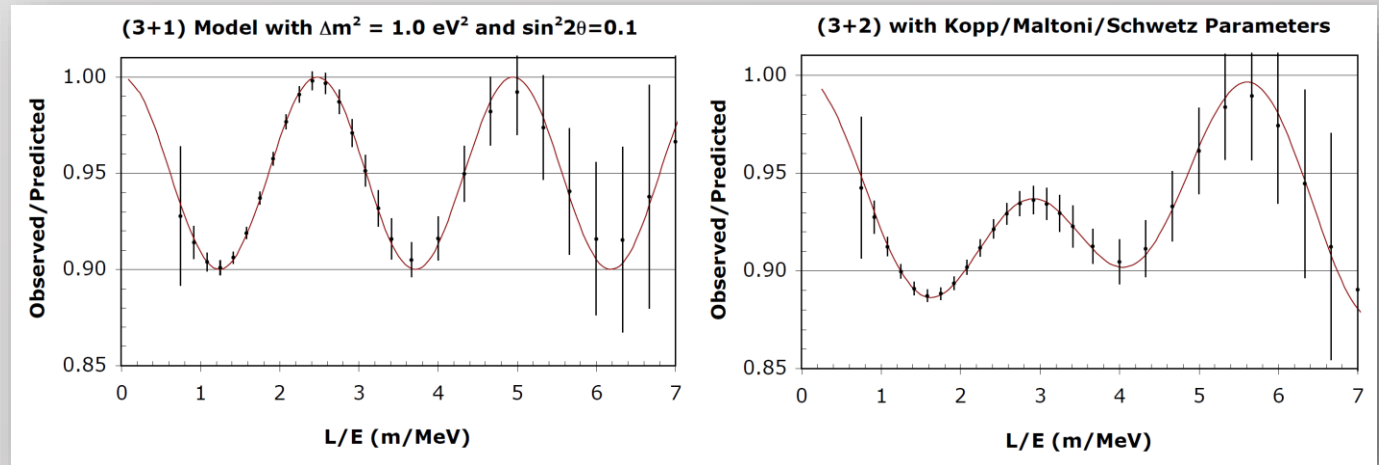
			$\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e$
Neutrino	MiniBooNE MiniBooNE Neutrino		MINOS/LSND Cross Section Gallium *
Antineutrino	LANSANE KA MiniBooNE		Bugey NEOS DANSS * PROSPECT



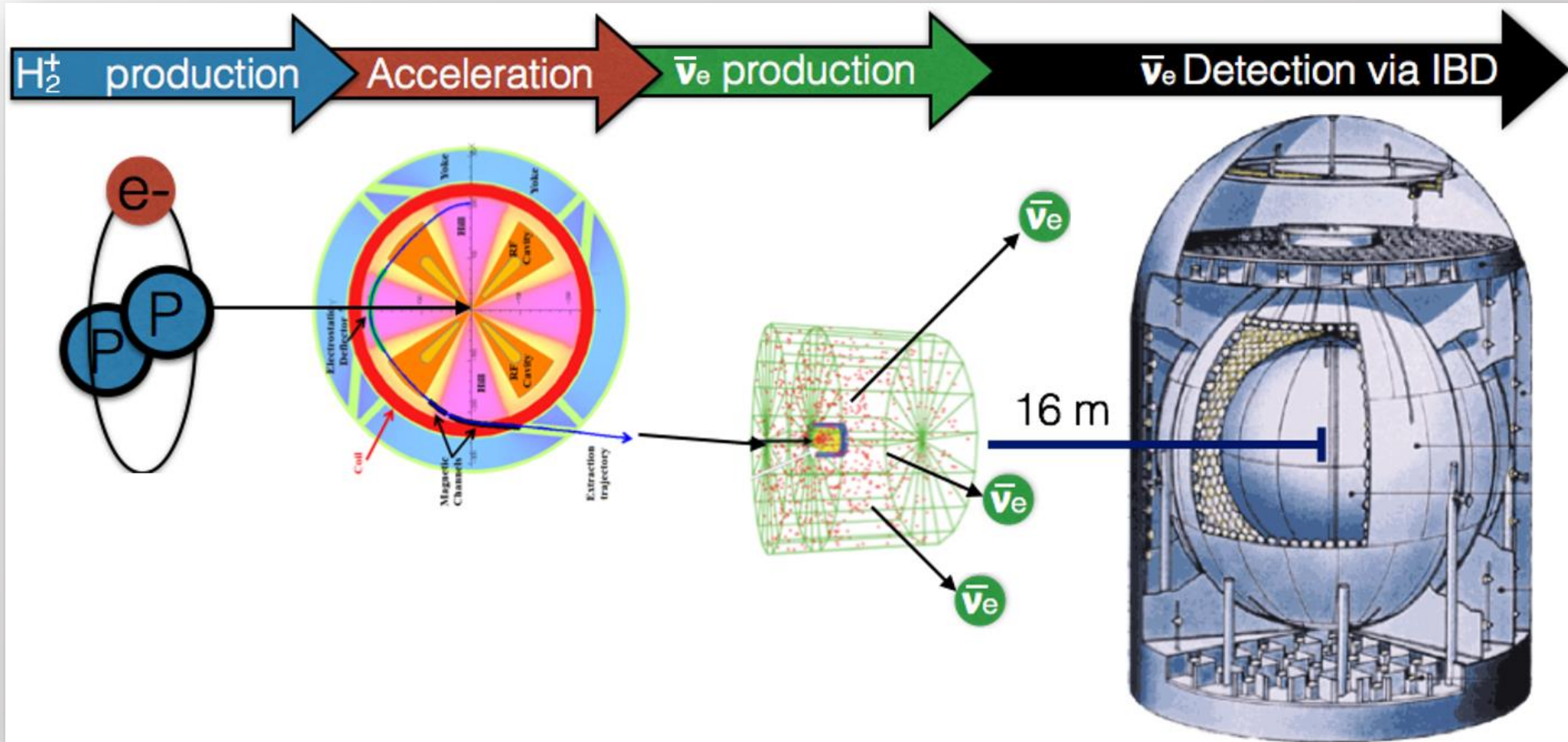
# IsoDAR @ KamLAND: as a definitive $\nu_s$ search



- 5 $\sigma$  experiment for allowed regions
- Distinguish between models



# IsoDAR: Isotope Decay-At-Rest



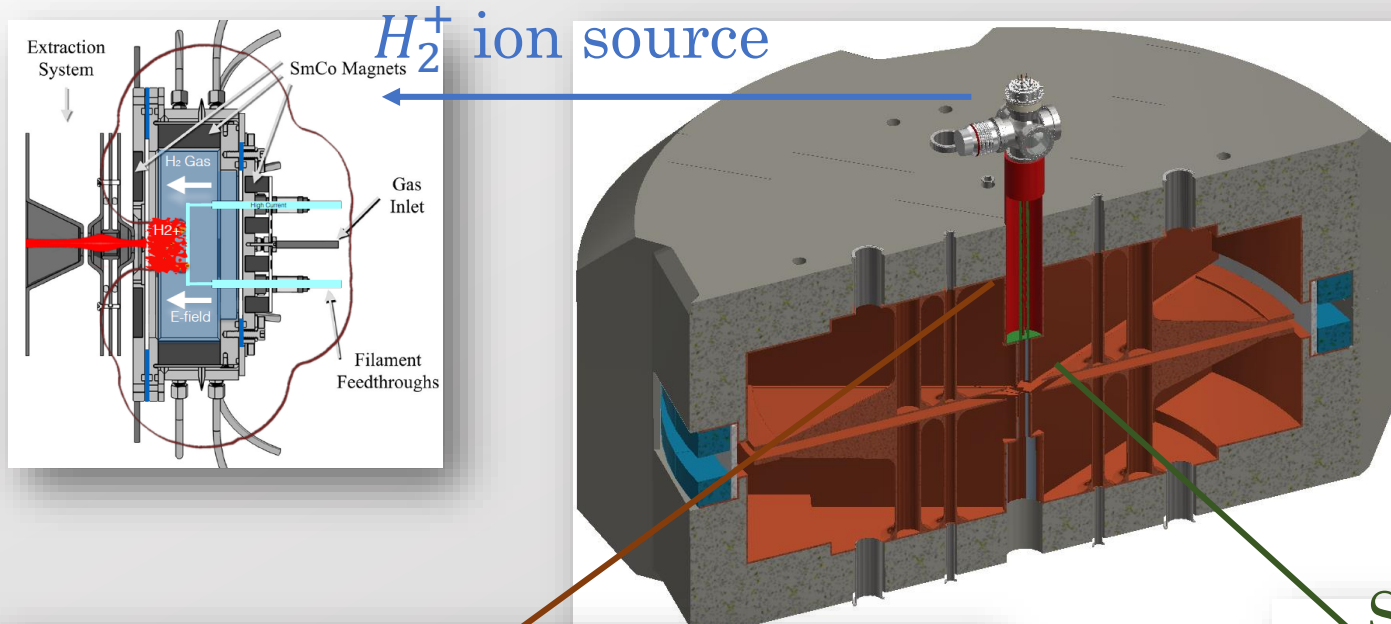
# 5 years @ KamLAND

Detector	KamLAND
Distance between face of target and center of detector	16.1 m
Fiducial mass	897 metric tons
Fiducial radius	6.5 m
Total detector radius	13 m
Detection efficiency	92%
Vertex resolution	12 cm/ $\sqrt{E}$ (MeV)
Energy resolution	6.4%/ $\sqrt{E}$ (MeV)
Visible energy threshold (IBD and $\bar{\nu}_e$ -electron)	3 MeV
IBD event total	$8.2 \times 10^5$
$\bar{\nu}_e$ -electron event total	2600
Expected $\bar{\nu}_e$ disappearance sensitivity	$\sin^2 2\theta_{new} > 0.005 @ \Delta m^2 = 1\text{eV}^2$
Expected $\sin^2 \theta_W$ $1\sigma$ precision	3.2%

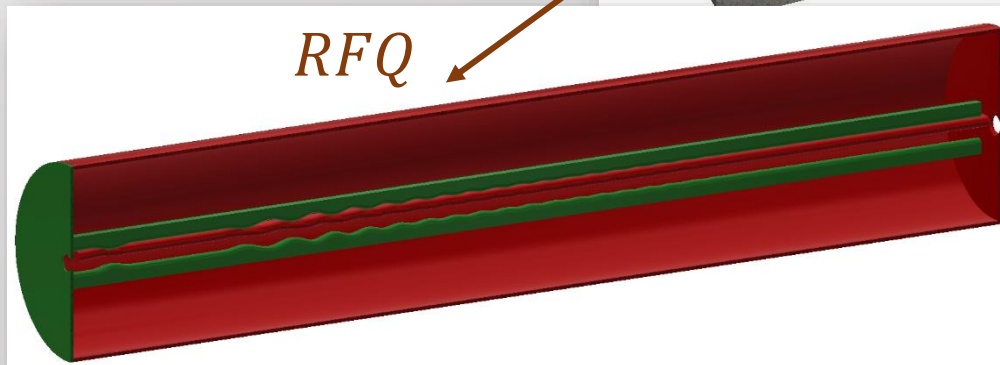
# 5 years @ KamLAND

Accelerator	60 MeV/amu of $H_2^+$
Beam Current	10 mA of protons on target
Beam Power (CW)	600 kW
Duty cycle	90%
Protons/(year of live time)	$1.97 \times 10^{24}$
Run period	5 years
Live time	5 years $\times$ 0.90 = 4.5 years
Target	$^9\text{Be}$ with FLiBe sleeve (99.995% pure $^7\text{Li}$ )
Sleeve diameter and length	100 cm and 190 cm
$\bar{\nu}$ source	$^8\text{Li}$ $\beta$ decay (6.4 MeV mean energy flux)
Fraction of $^8\text{Li}$ produced in target	10%
$\bar{\nu}$ flux during 4.5 years of live time	$1.3 \times 10^{23} \bar{\nu}_e$
$\bar{\nu}$ flux uncertainty	5% (shape-only is also considered)

# RFQ – Direct Injection Project (RFQ-DIP)

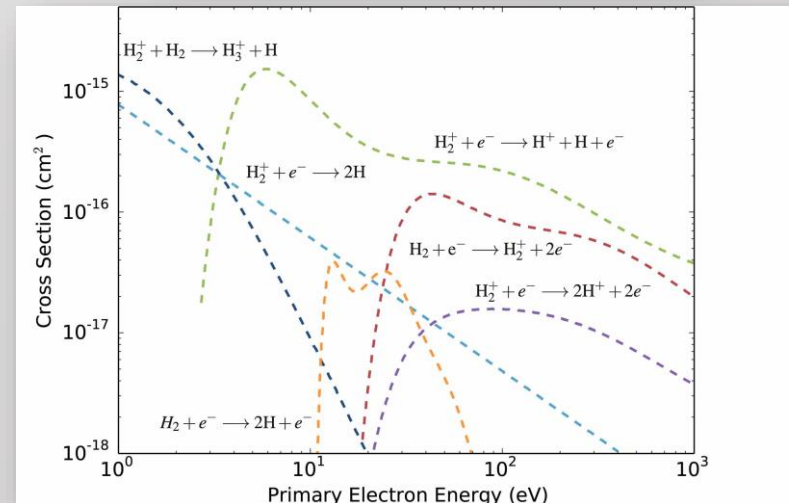
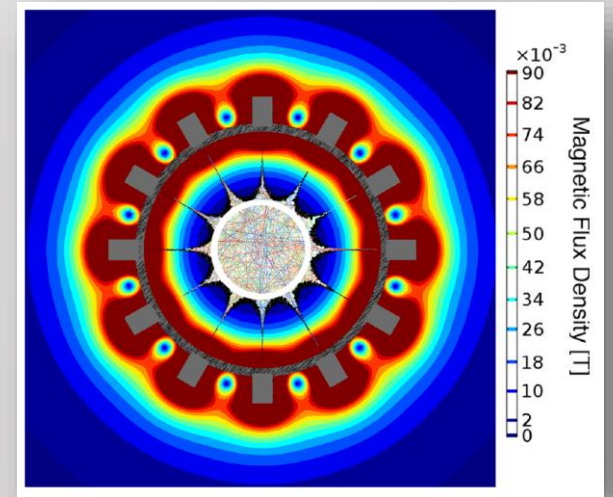
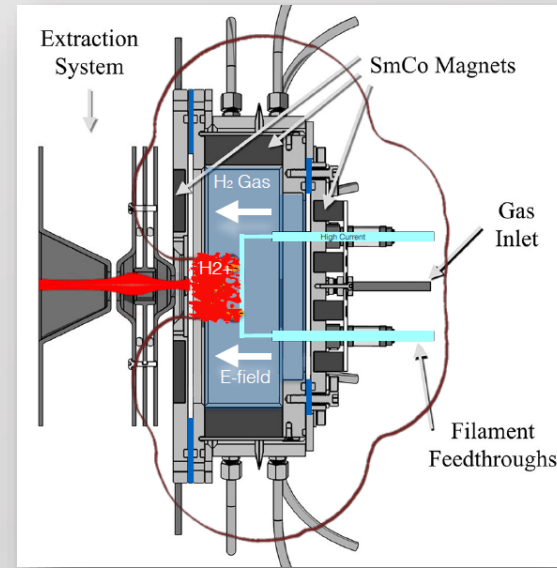


- $H_2^+$  to reduce space-charge effects
- RFQ for bunching, sorting, accelerating
- Inflector for axial injection

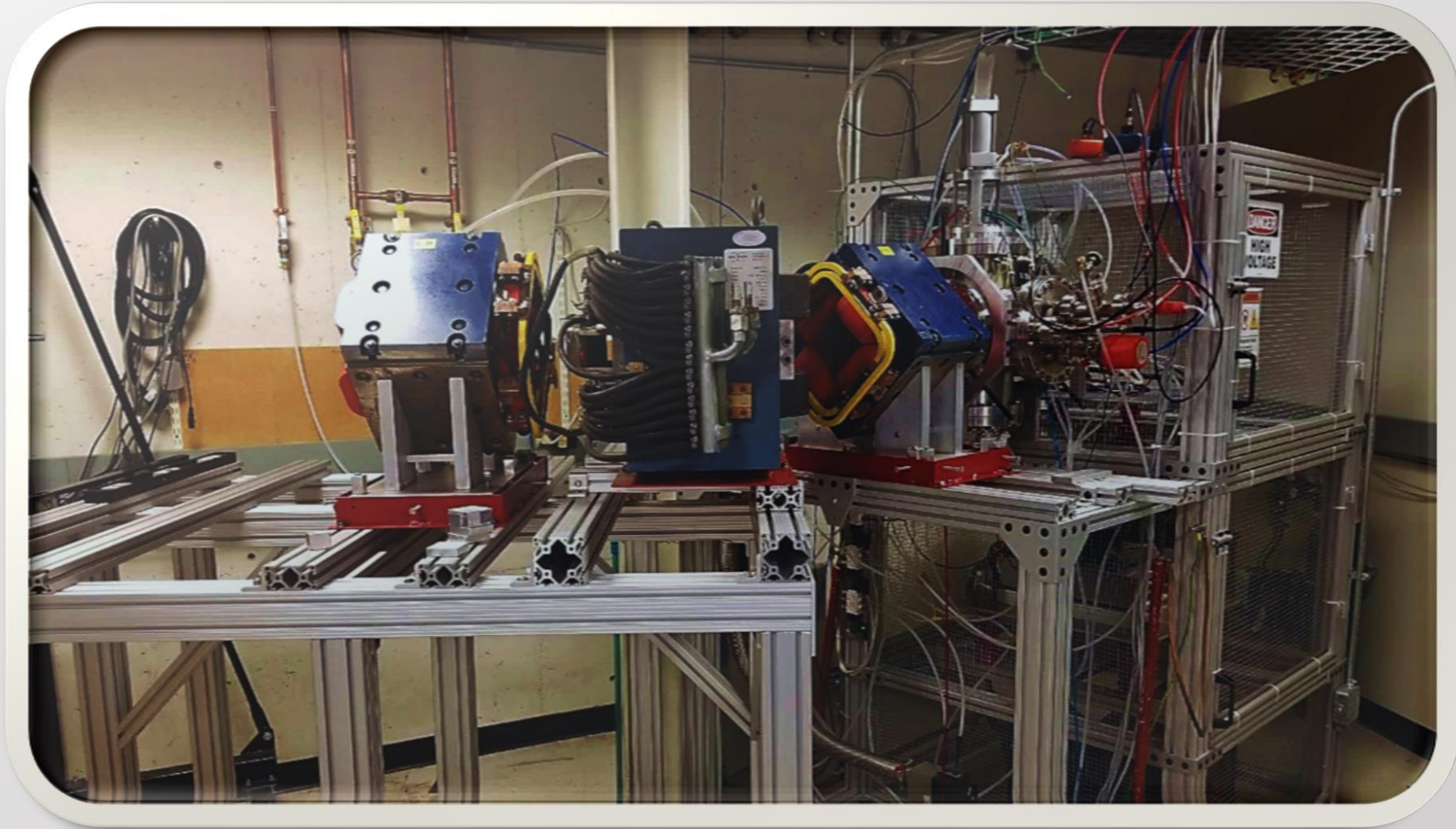


# $H_2^+$ production

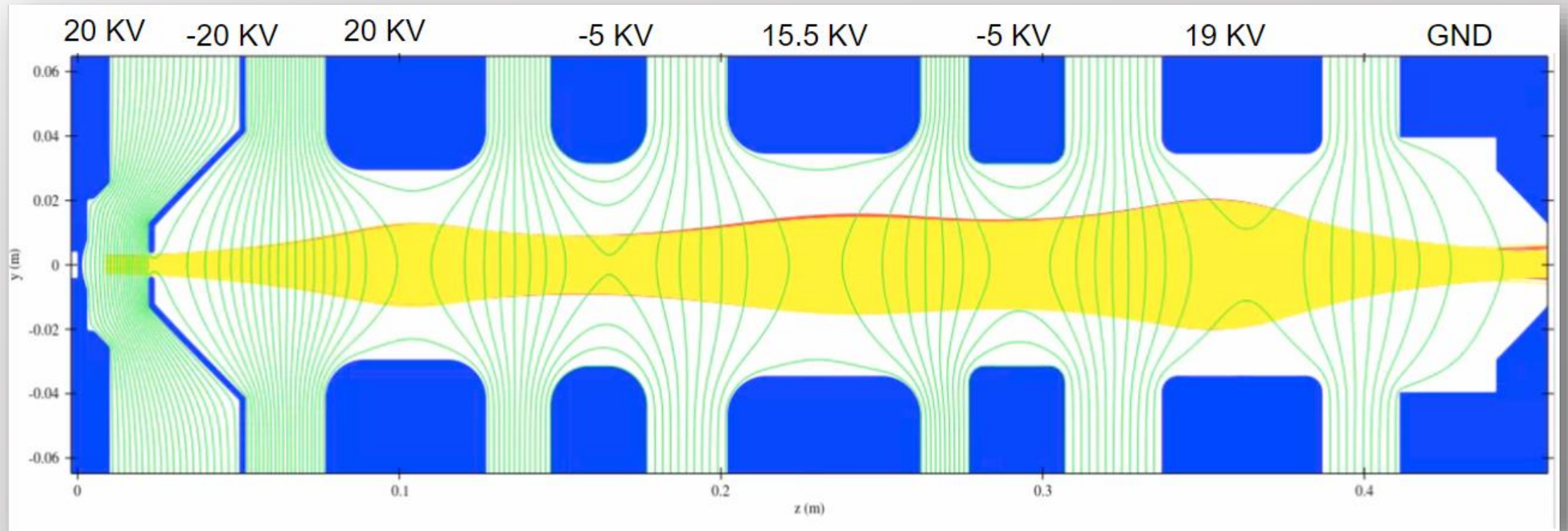
- Hot tungsten filament ionizes hydrogen molecules
- Plasma is confined by SmCo magnets
- Small aperture allows ions to drift into extraction system
- Current output  $35 \text{ mA/cm}^2$  (Sufficient for IsoDAR)



# MIST-1

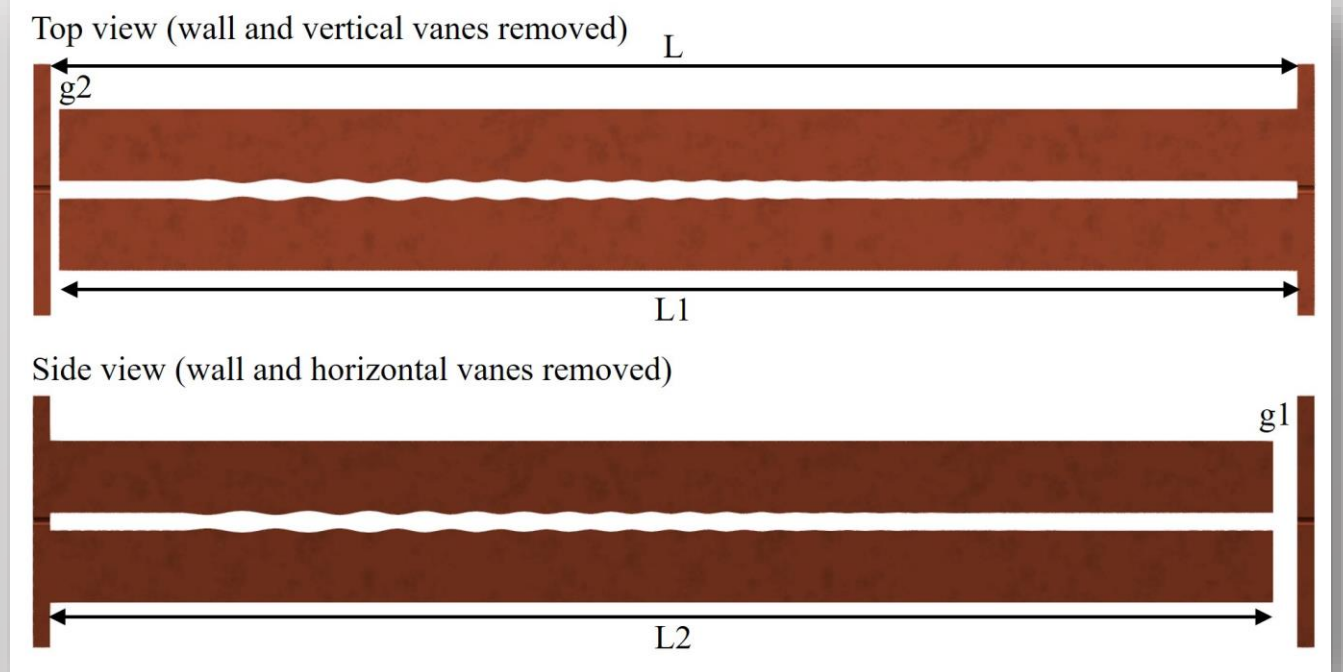
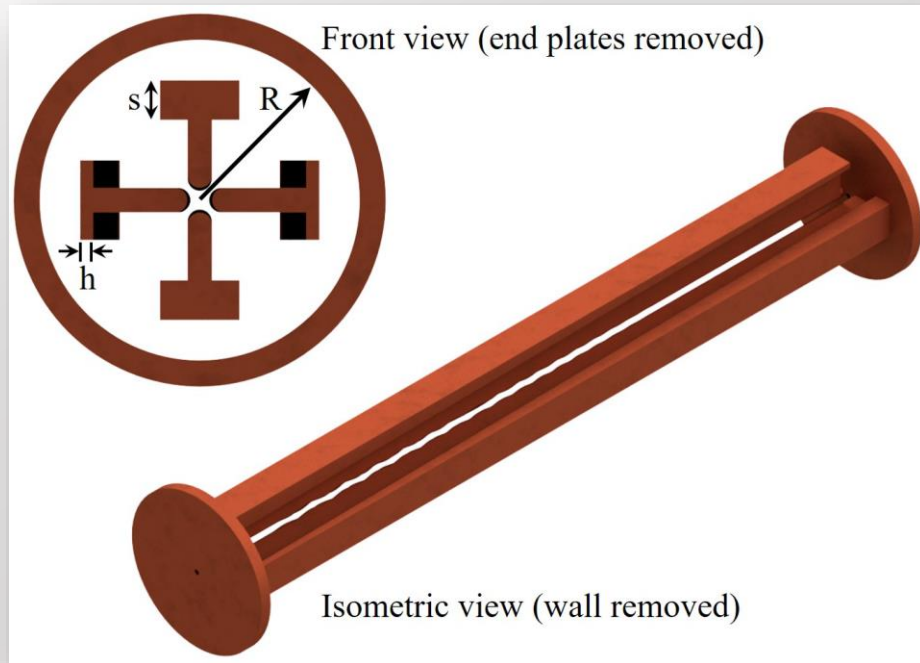


# Extraction system

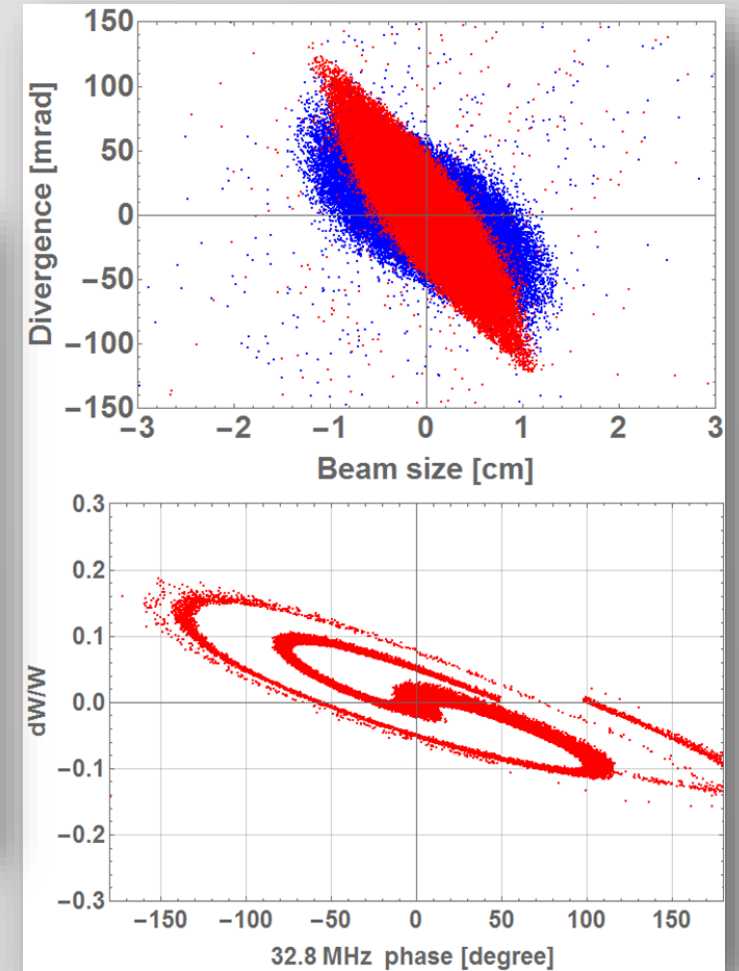
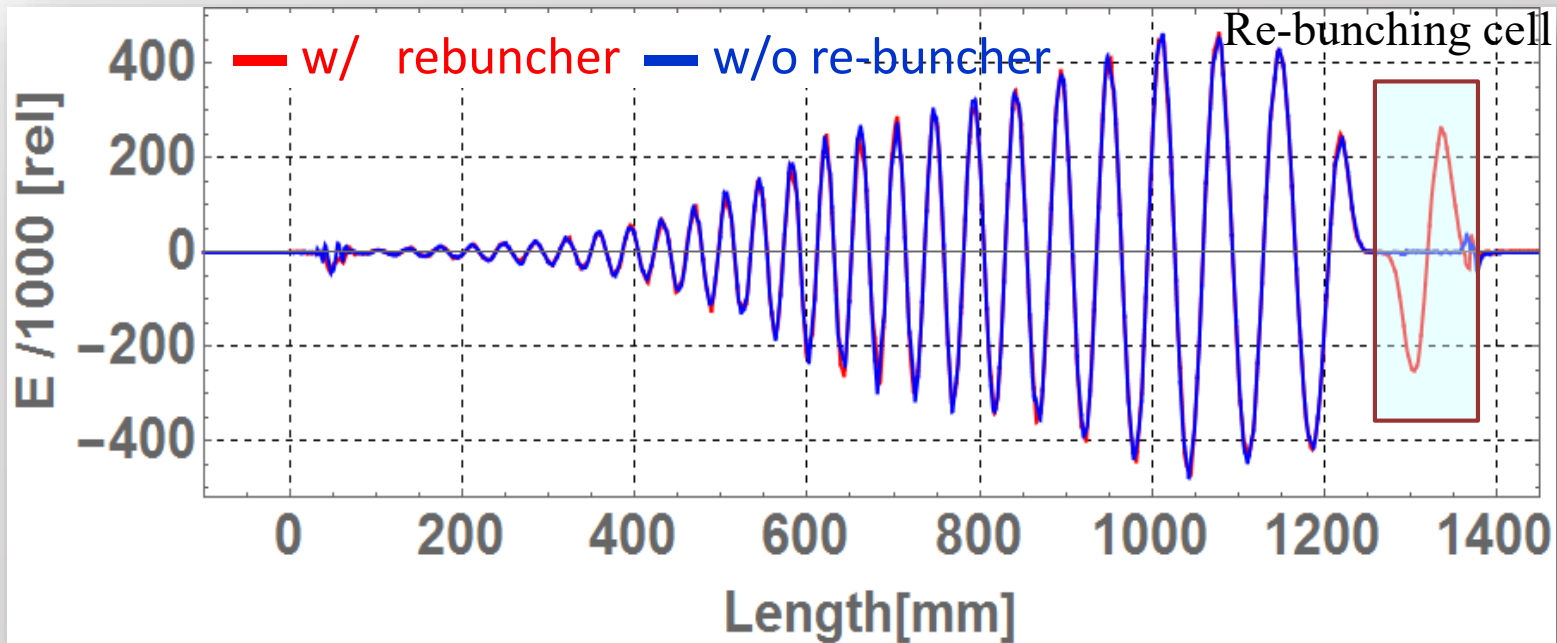




# RFQ: 4-vane, split-coaxial design

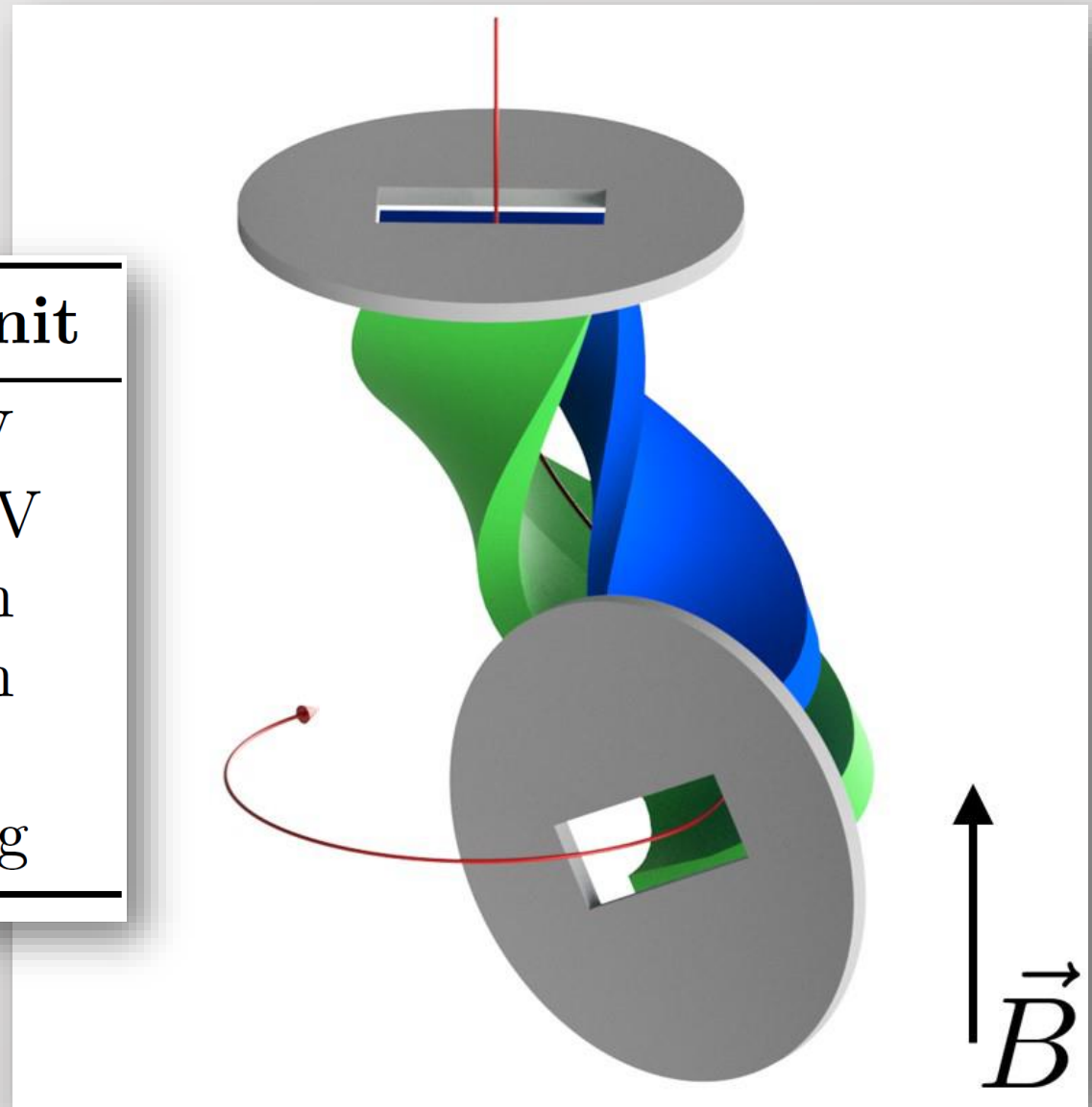


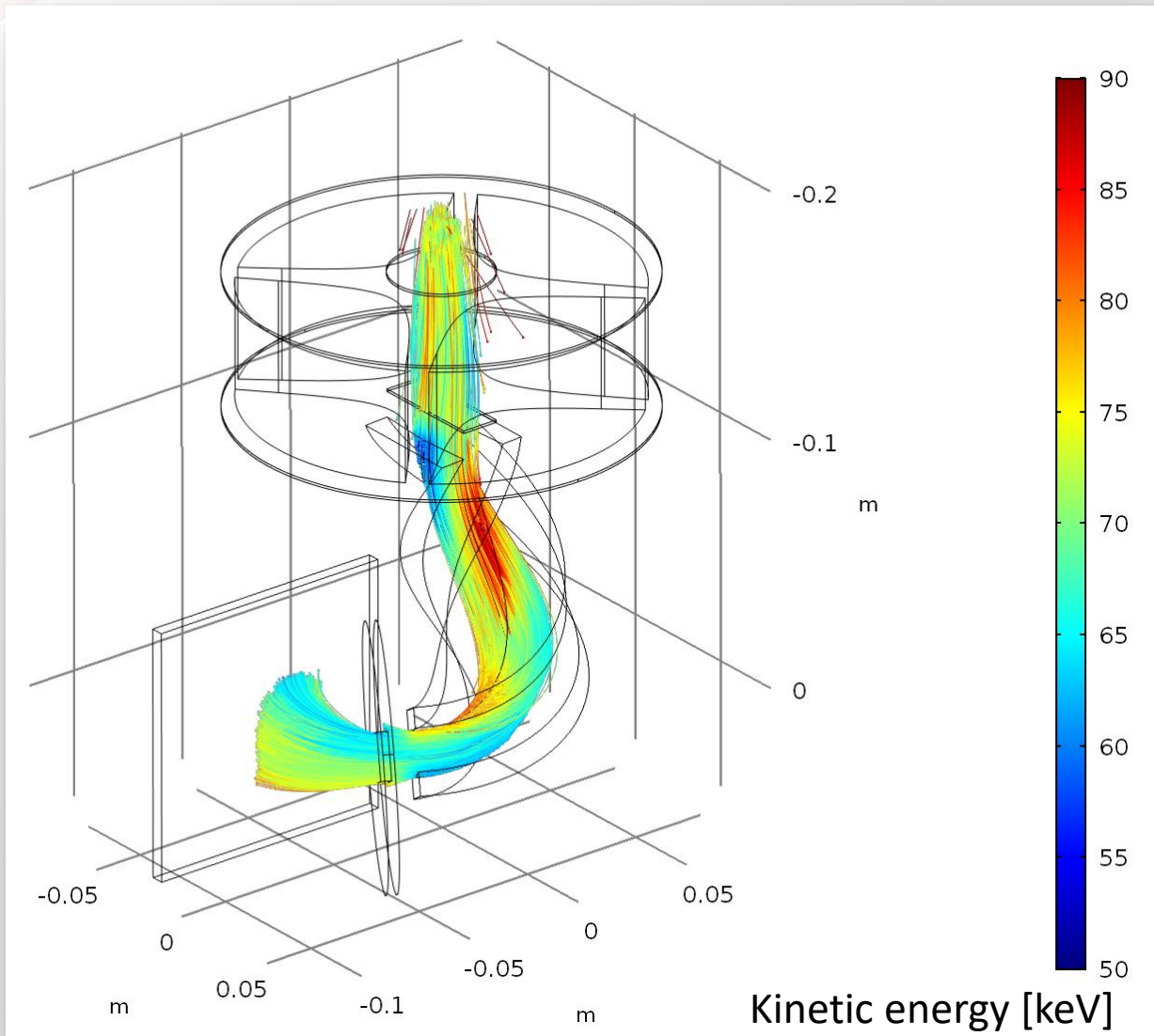
# RFQ Simulations



# Spiral Inflector

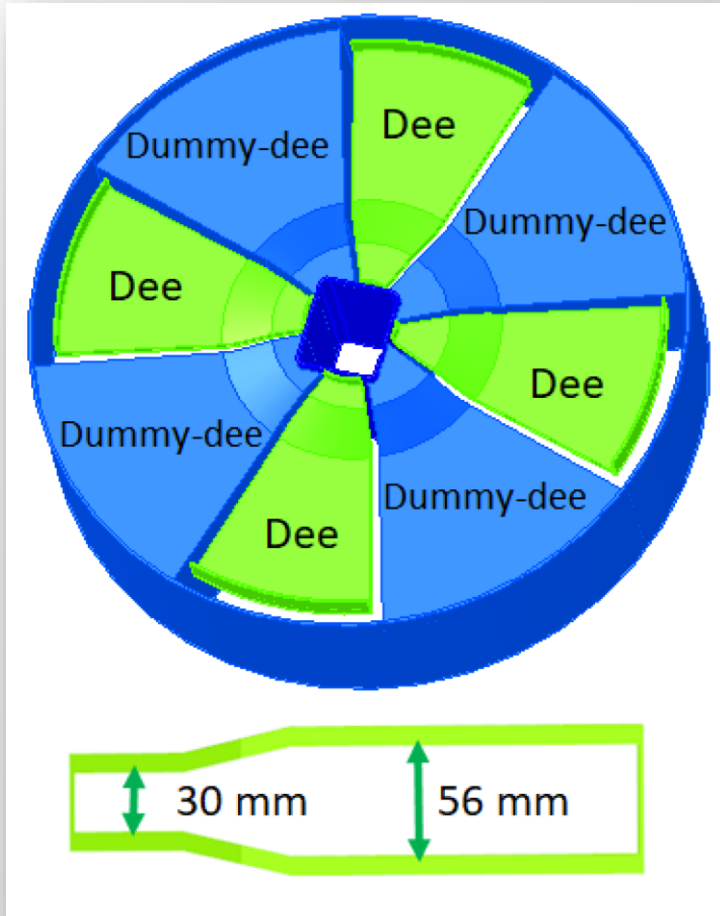
Parameter	Value	Unit
Electrode voltages	$\pm 12$	kV
Input energy	70	keV
Electrode width	1.0	cm
Gap distance	1.8	cm
Aspect ratio	2.5	
Tilt angle	27	deg



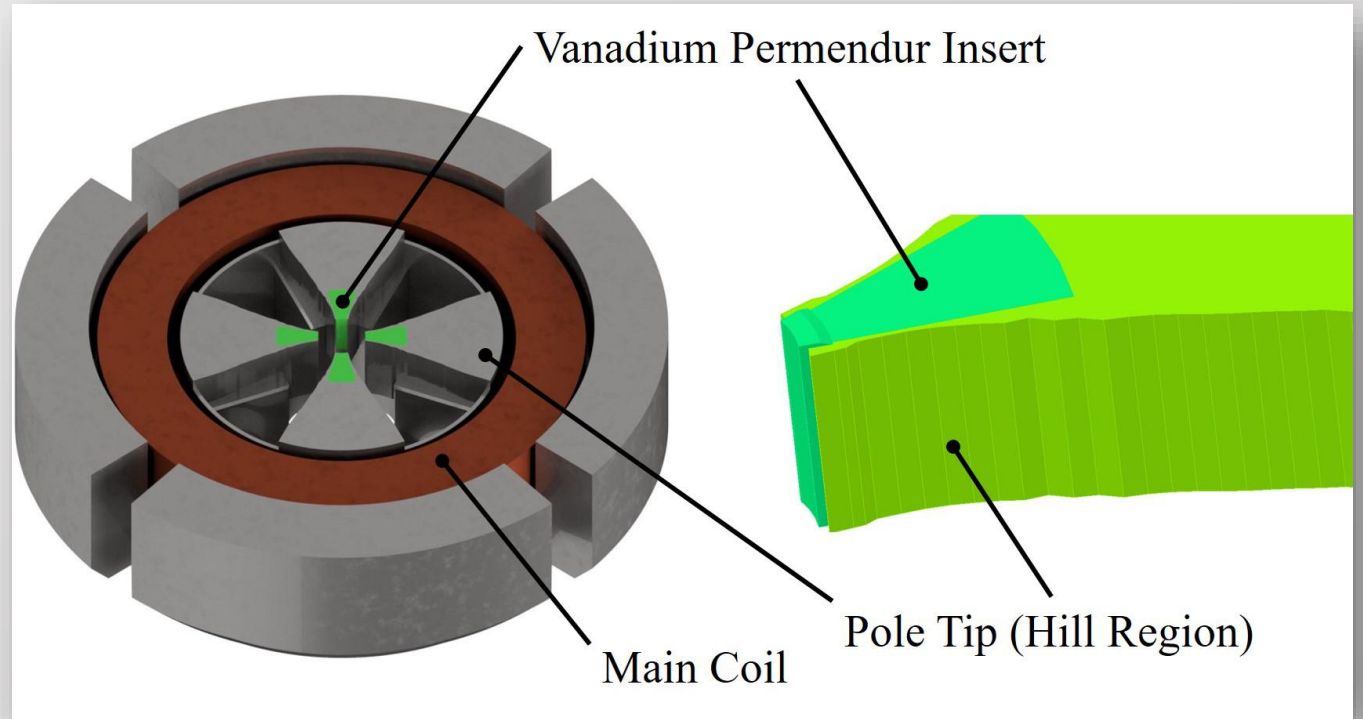


# Spiral inflector simulation

# Central region

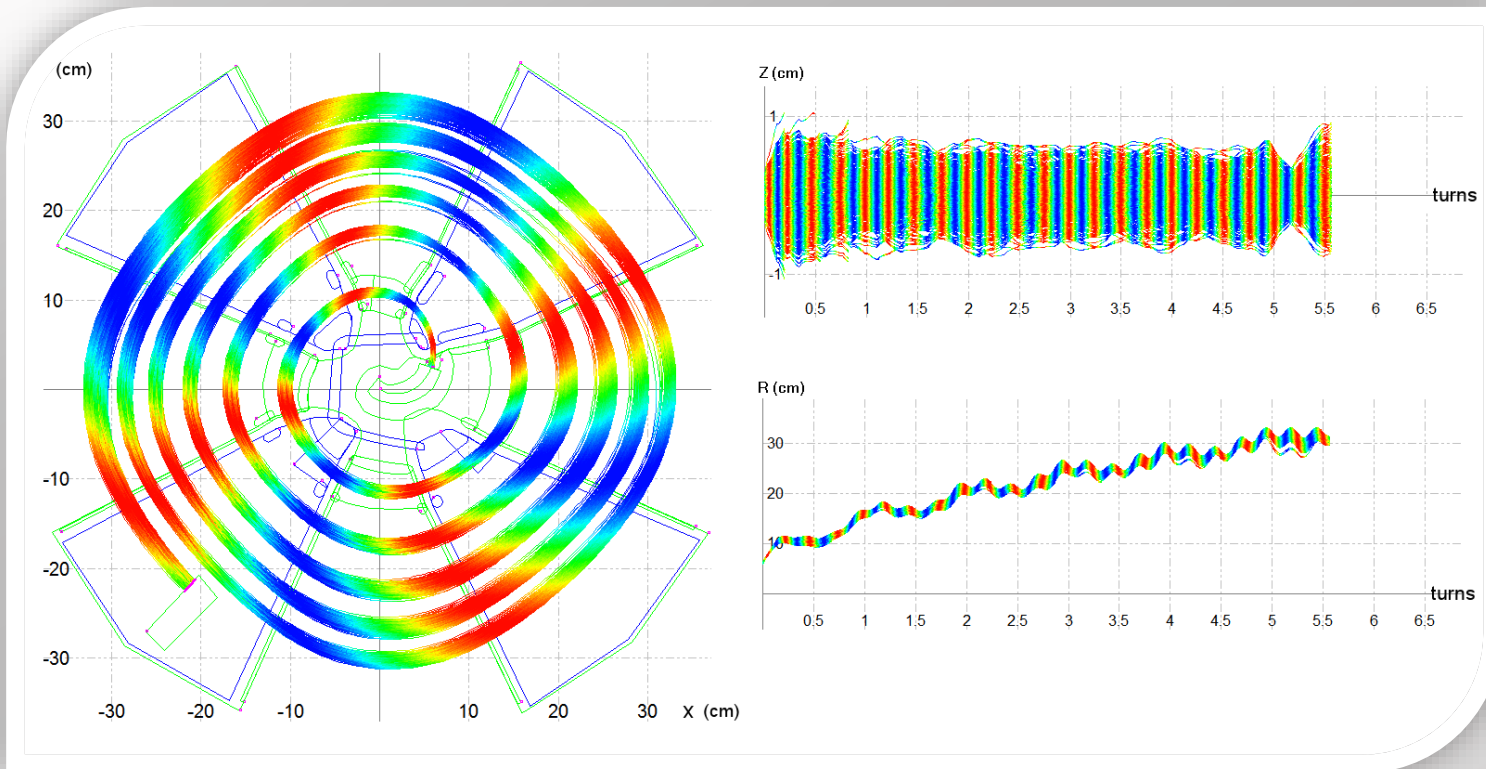


INFN-Catania



- Collimators to scape halo particles
- VP inserts for vertical focusing

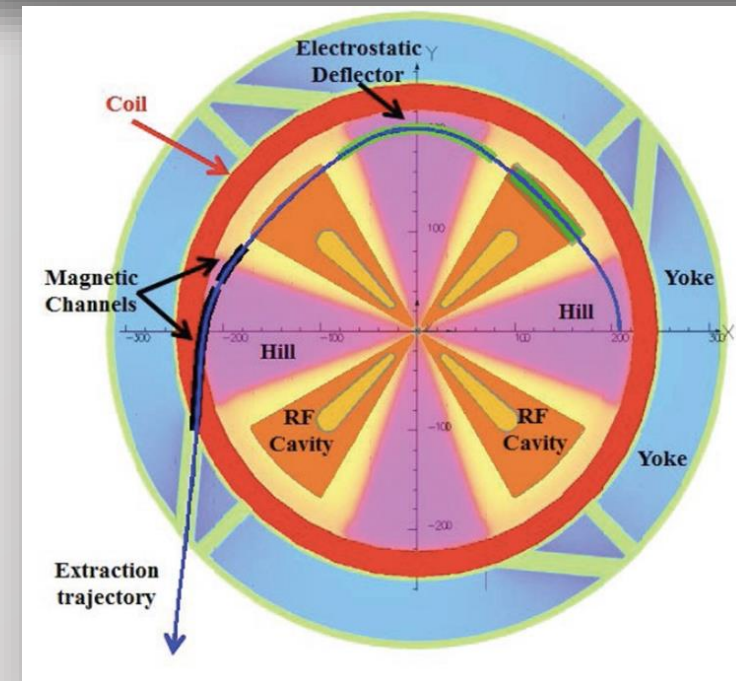
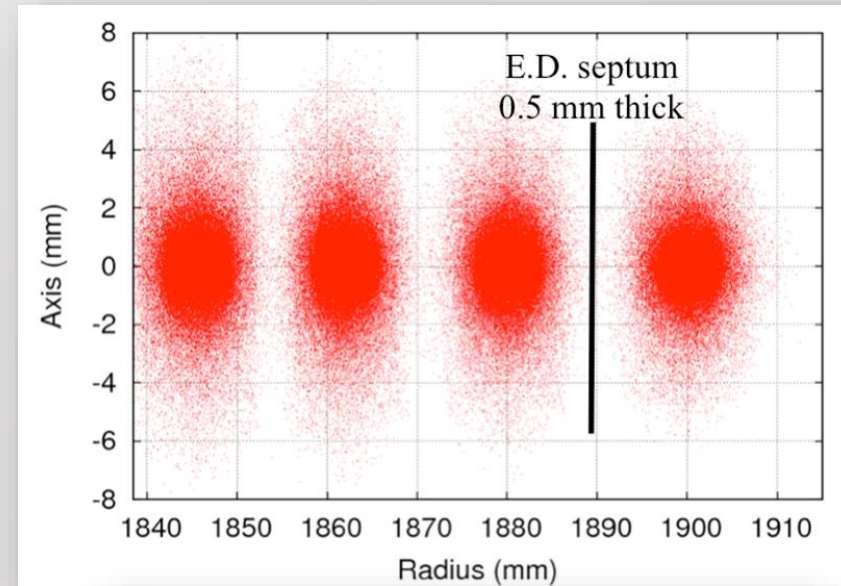
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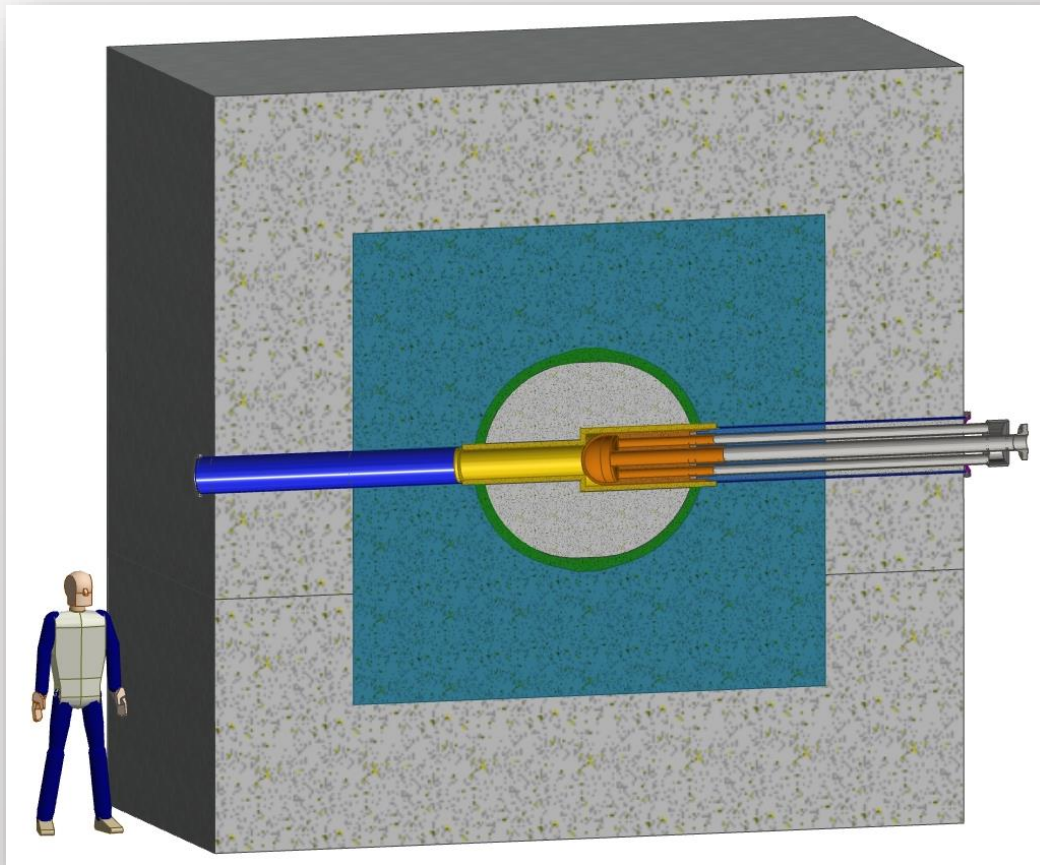
- Preliminary study by AIMA Developpement
- RFQ-DIP: 1 MeV cyclotron

# Cyclotron extraction

- Septum at last turn for  $H_2^+$  extraction
- Use stripper foil to minimize septum activation
- Second foil to transport protons in MEFT



# IsoDAR $\bar{\nu}_e$ production

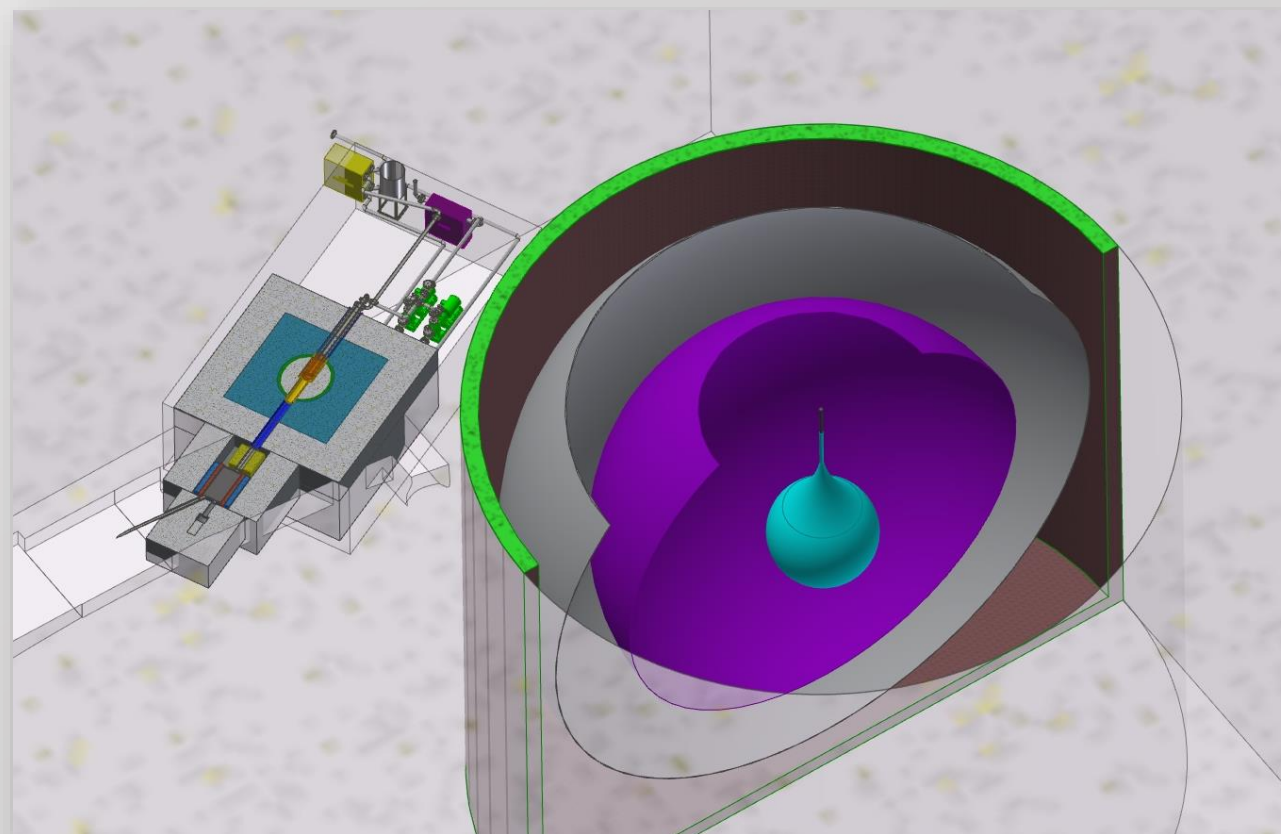


- Protons impinge on  $^9\text{Be}$  target producing neutrons
- Surrounding  $^7\text{Li}$  sleeve captures neutrons producing  $^8\text{Li}$
- $^8\text{Li}$   $\beta$ -decays yielding a localized, isotropic  $\bar{\nu}_e$  source with known energy distribution



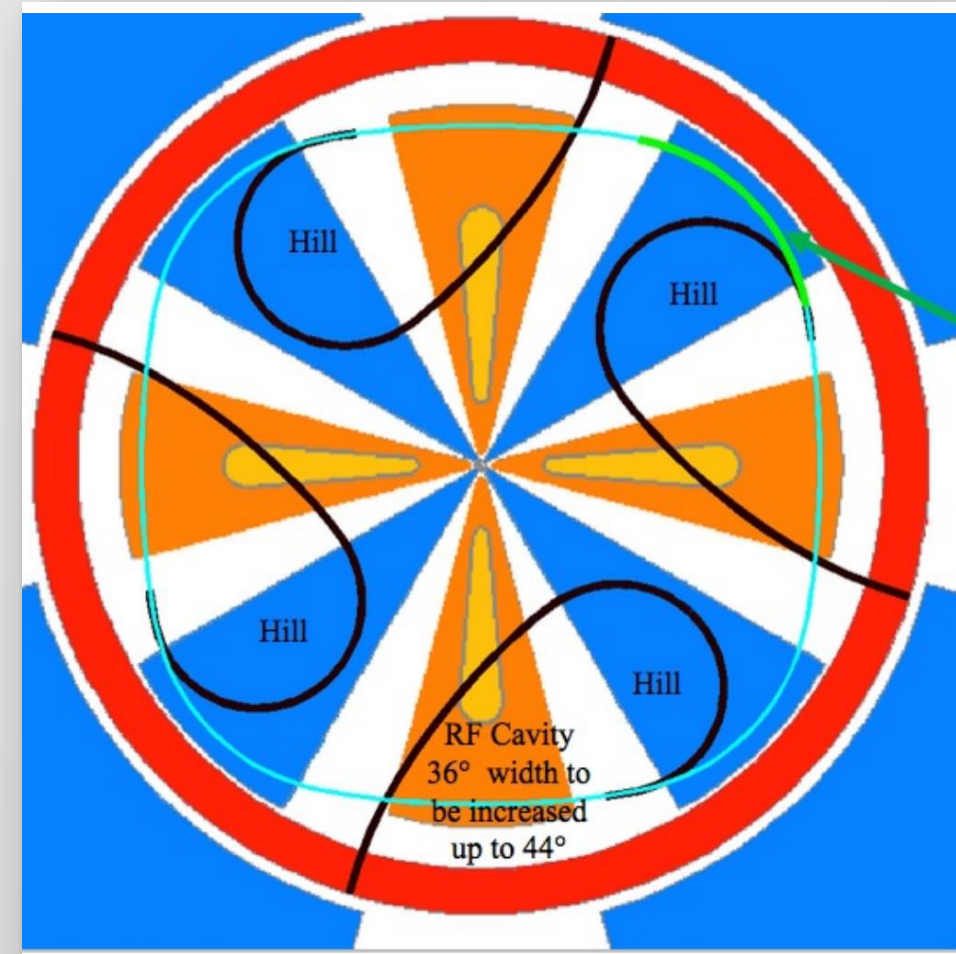
# Concurrent research for IsoDAR

- Target designed for high power beam
- Injection of Li-Be mixture into sleeve pressure vessel
- Graphite, steel, concrete for neutron shielding



# Isotope production

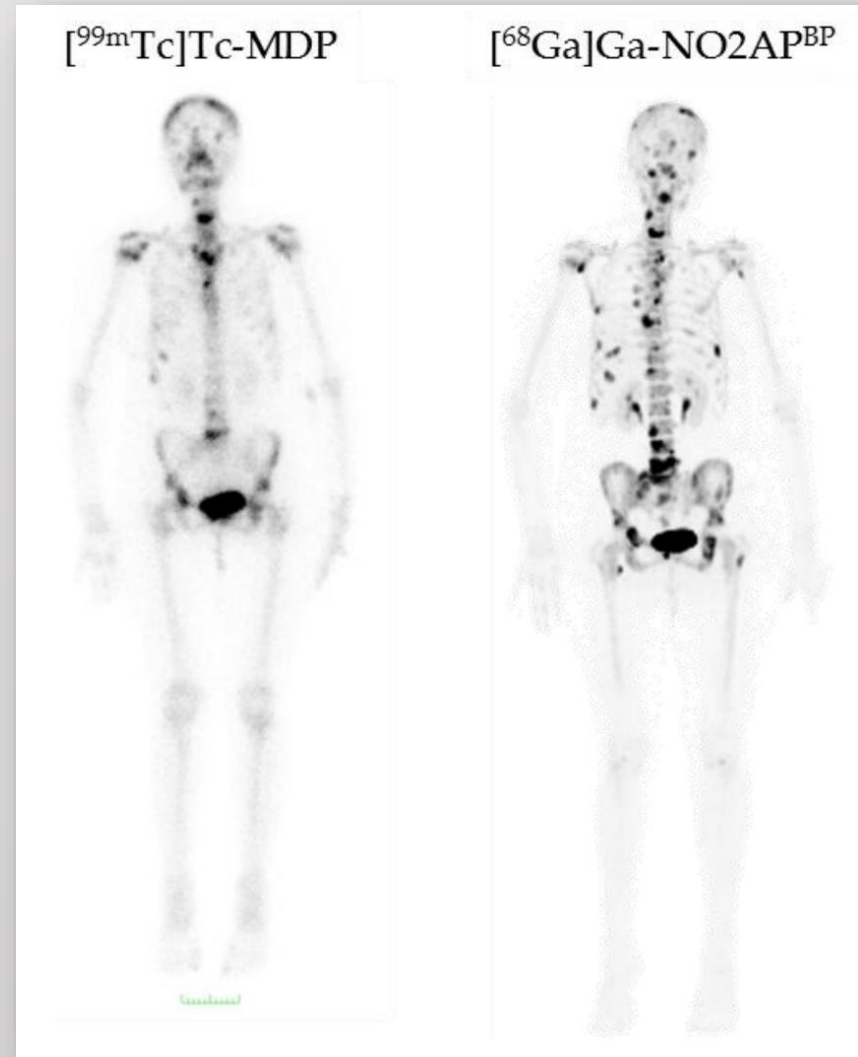
- $\sim 50 \mu\text{A}$  of protons extracted to protect septum
- Up to 4 stripping locations possible
- Protons can be used to produce medical isotopes
- Or also build machine dedicated to isotope production



# Imaging: $^{68}\text{Ge}/^{68}\text{Ga}$

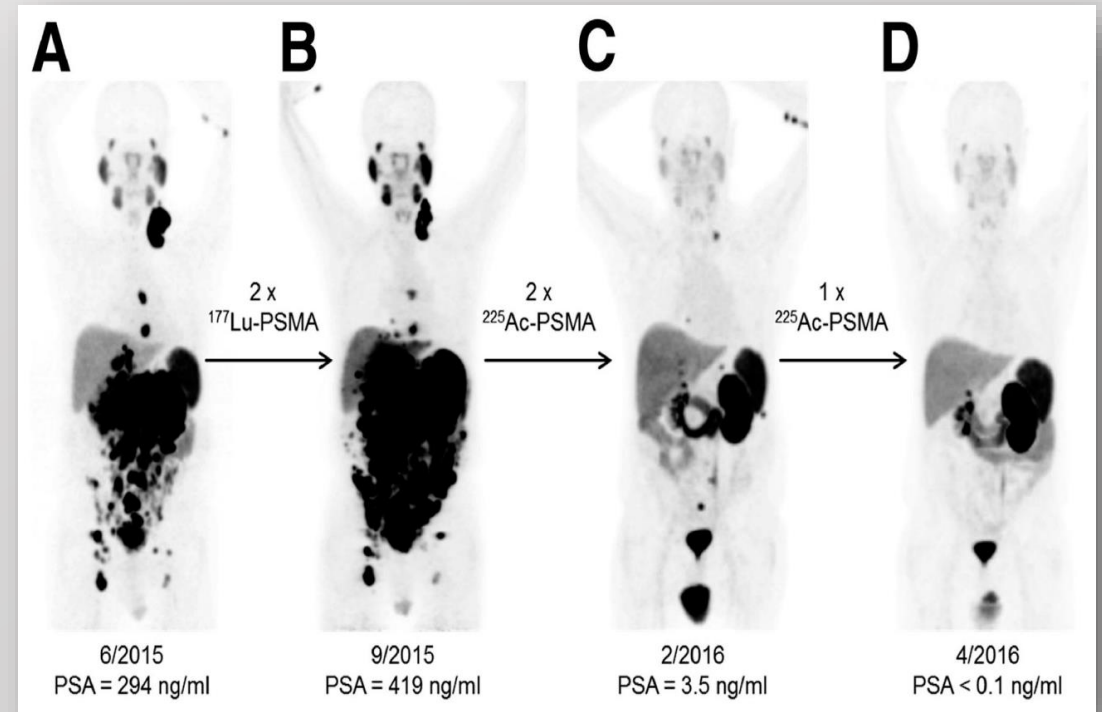
- $^{69}\text{Ga}/^{71}\text{Ga} + p \rightarrow ^{68}\text{Ge} \rightarrow ^{68}\text{Ga}$
- Similar uses as  $^{99}\text{Mo} \rightarrow ^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$
- Longer parent half-life:  
270 days vs. 66 hours
- Shorter emitter half-life:  
68 minutes vs. 6 hours
- \$1000 / mCi of  $^{68}\text{Ga}$
- IsoDAR  $\rightarrow$  50 Ci / week

Image from: [Semantic Scholar](#)



# Therapy: $^{225}\text{Ac}$

- $p + ^{229}\text{Th} \rightarrow ^{225}\text{Ac} \rightarrow 4\alpha + ^{209}\text{Bi}$
- Current targets  $^{226}\text{Ra}$  from purified reactor waste
- BLIP, LANCE at  $100 \mu\text{A} \rightarrow 60\text{x}$  world supply
- \$1300 / mCi
- IsoDAR at 10 mA  $\rightarrow 200 \text{ mCi / hr}$



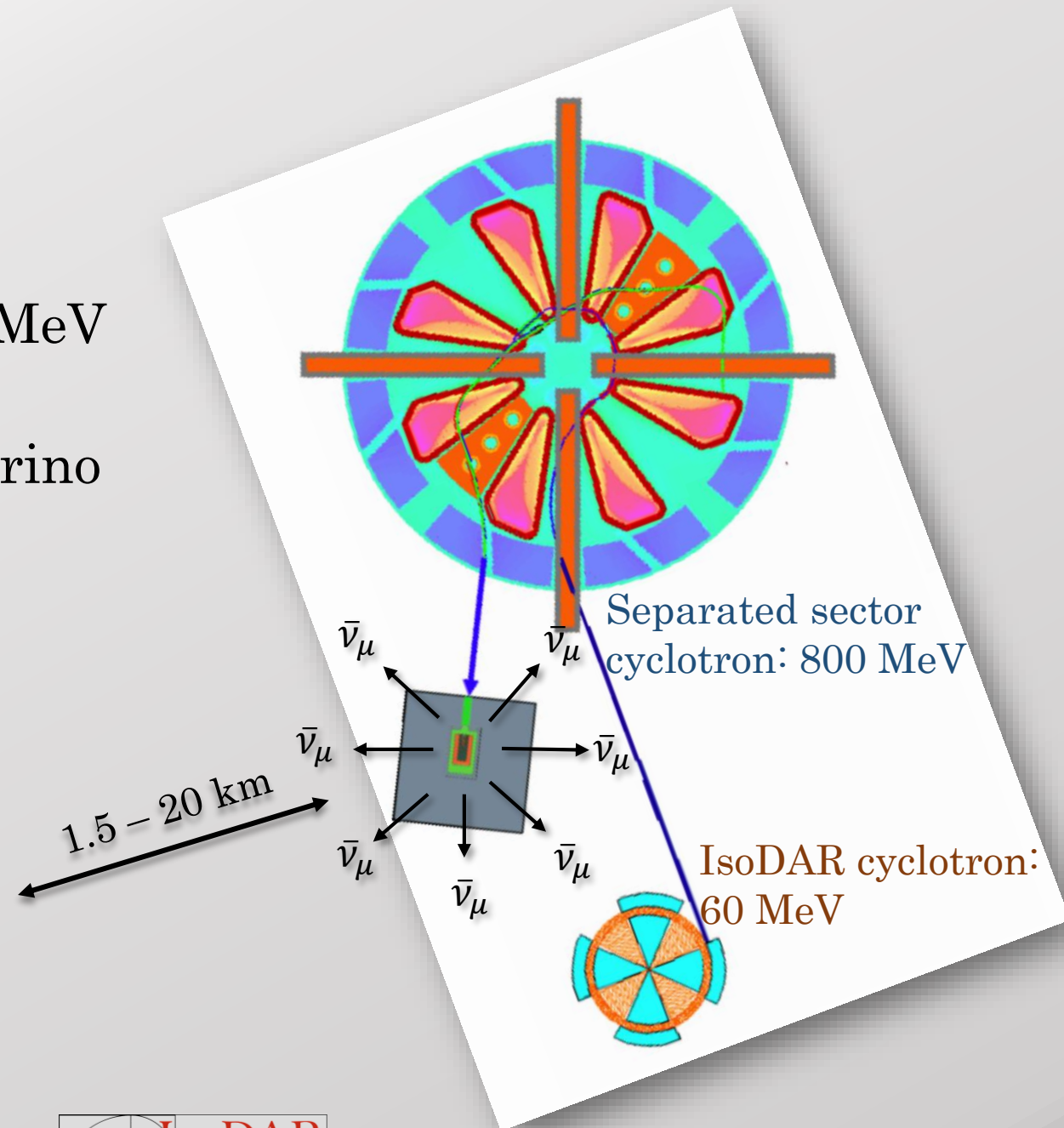
Medical isotopes with IsoDAR: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1807.06627>

Nature Reviews Physics: DOI : 10.1038/s42254-019-0095-6NATREVPHYS-19-343V1

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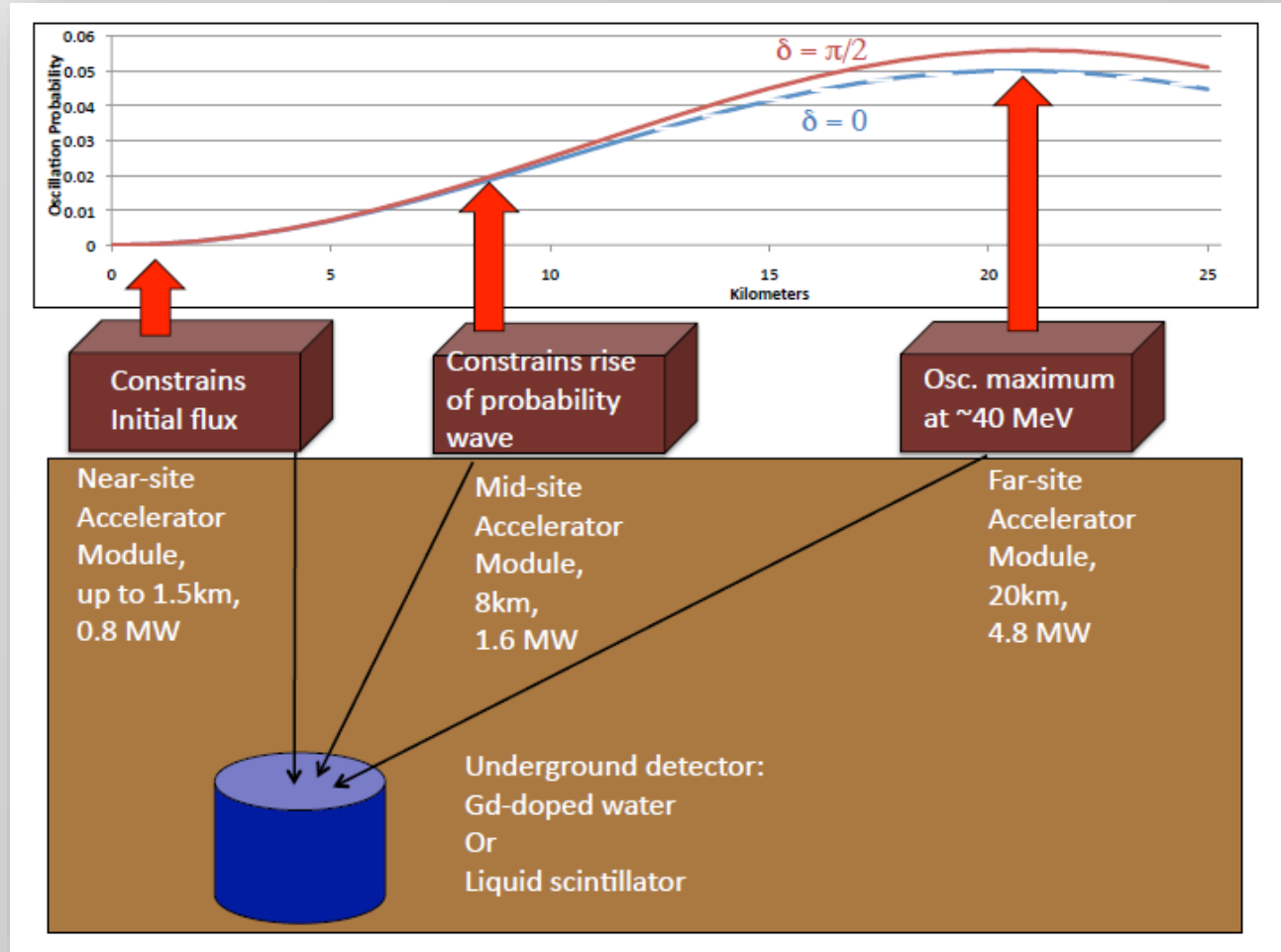
# DAE $\delta$ ALUS

- IsoDAR as injector for 800 MeV cyclotron
- Decay-at-rest pions as neutrino source
- Make three of these setups



# $\delta_{CP}$ measurement

- $\pi^+$  decay-at-rest produces:  $\bar{\nu}_\mu, \nu_\mu$
- Sensitive to  $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$  oscillation wave
- 3 accelerators at different distances



# Summary

- IsoDAR can definitively answer the  $\nu_s$  question with 5 years of runtime at KamLAND
- RFQ-DIP is developing technology for 10 mA, 60 MeV cyclotrons
- Target, sleeve, and shielding research is well underway
- IsoDAR cyclotrons have other potential uses such as *DAE $\delta$ ALUS* and medical isotope production

# Resources

- IsoDAR: <https://www.nevis.columbia.edu/daedalus/docs/publications.html>
- Oscillation Experiments: arXiv:1609.07803v2 [hep-ex] 2 Aug 2017
- Sterile Review: arXiv:1906.00045v1 [hep-ex] 31 May 2019

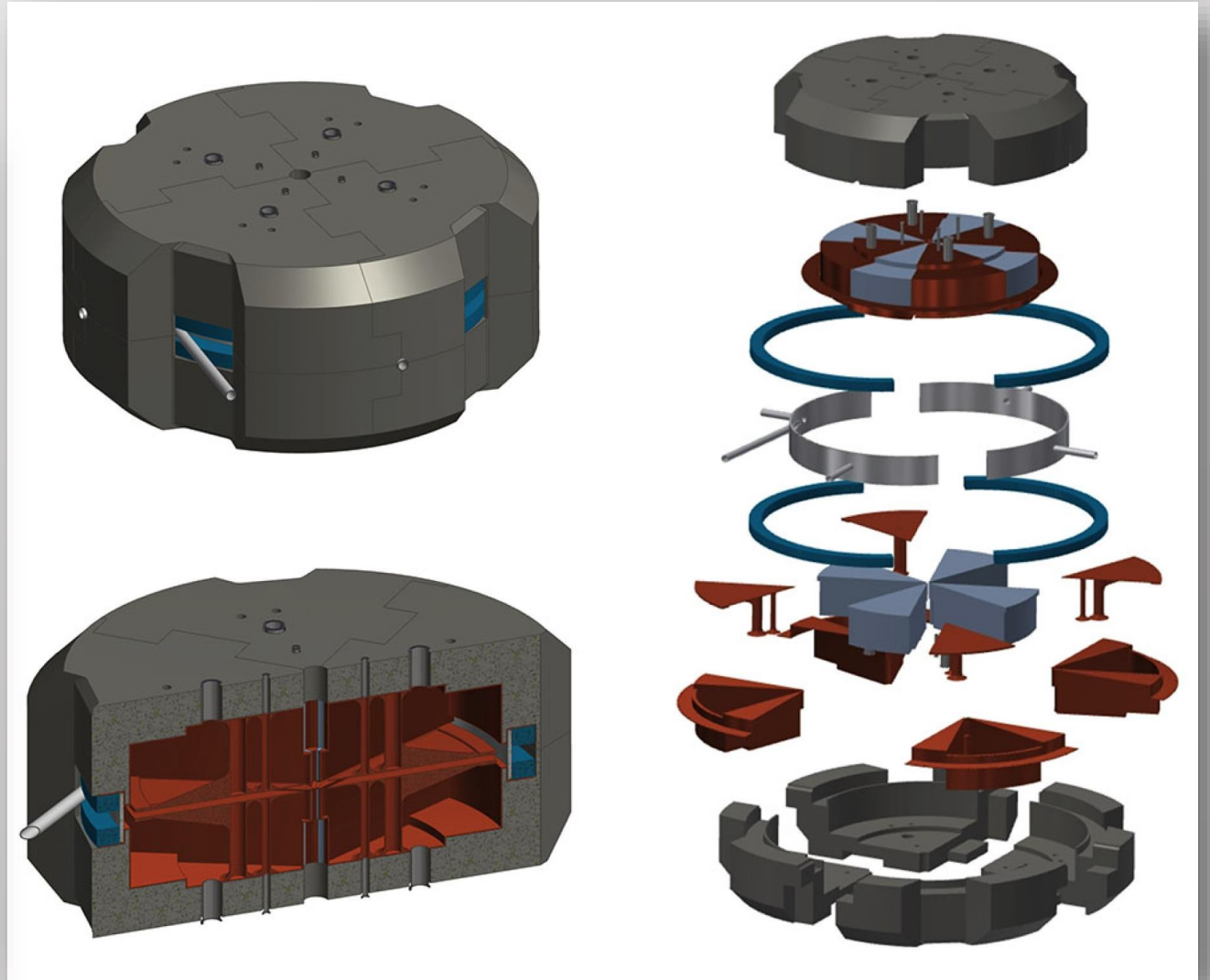
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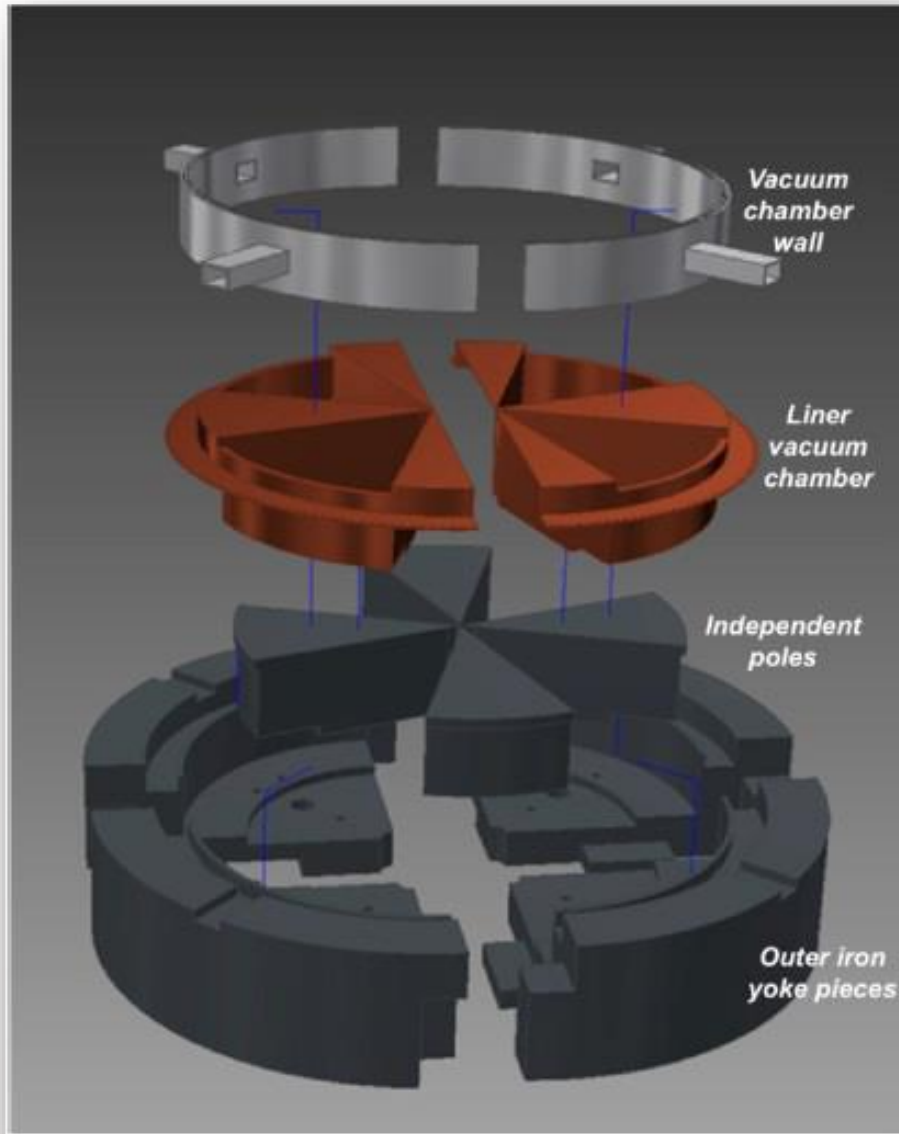


# Cyclotron design

Parameter	Value
Ion accelerated	$H_2^+$
Max Energy	60 MeV/amu
Extraction radius	1.99 meters
Average magnetic field	1.16 tesla
Number of sectors	4
RF frequency	32.8 MHz
Accel. Voltage	70 – 240 kV
$\Delta E/\text{turn}$	(ave) 1.7 MeV
Turns	95
Outer diameter	6.2 meters
Iron weight	450 tons



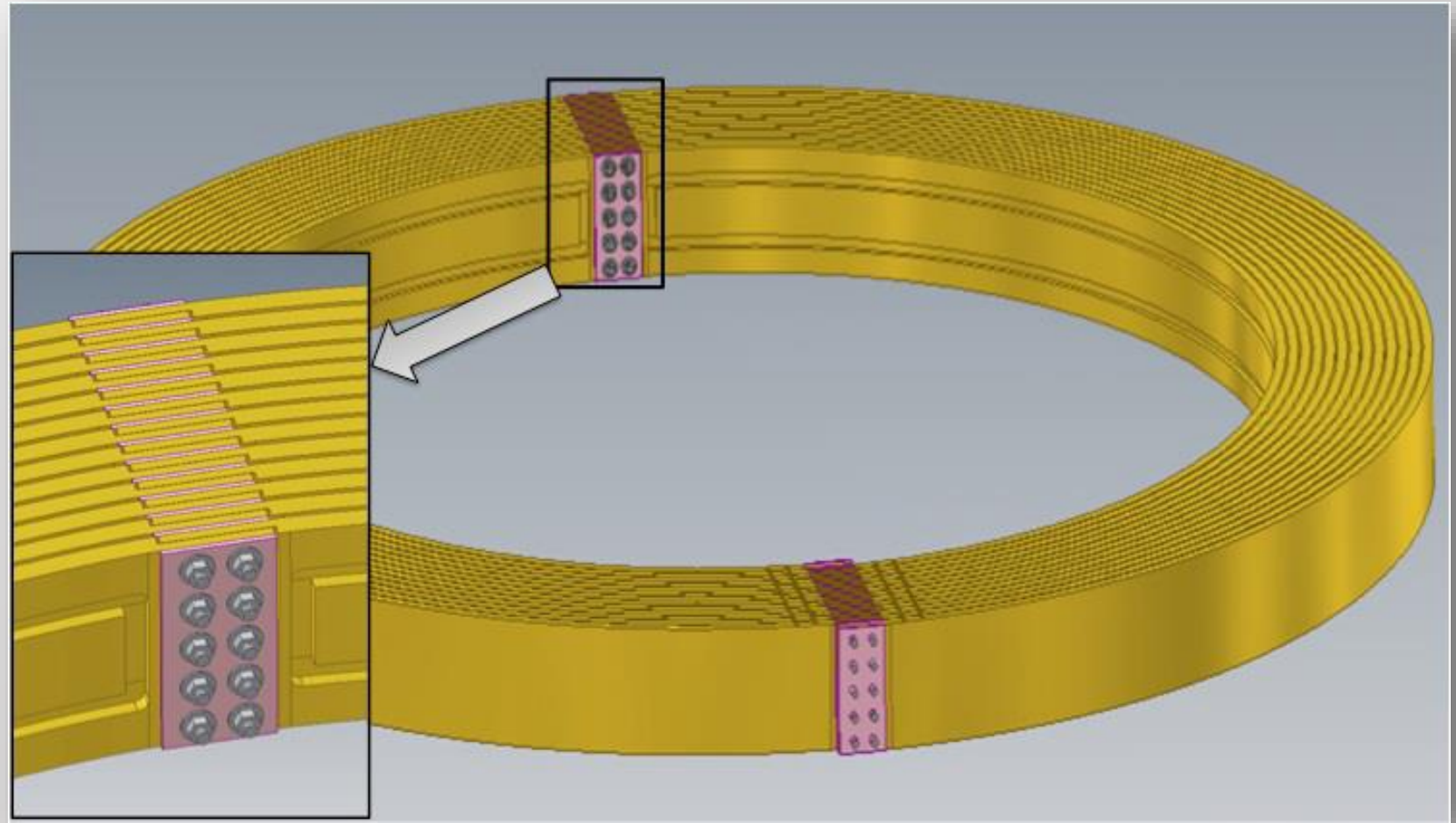
Technical CDR: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1511.05130> Conventional CDR: <https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.09325>



# Segmentation

- Designed for assembly within Kamioka mine
- Size limited by mining tunnels
- Weight restrictions due to transportation

# Split-coil design



- Coils come in two pieces
- No winding in mine

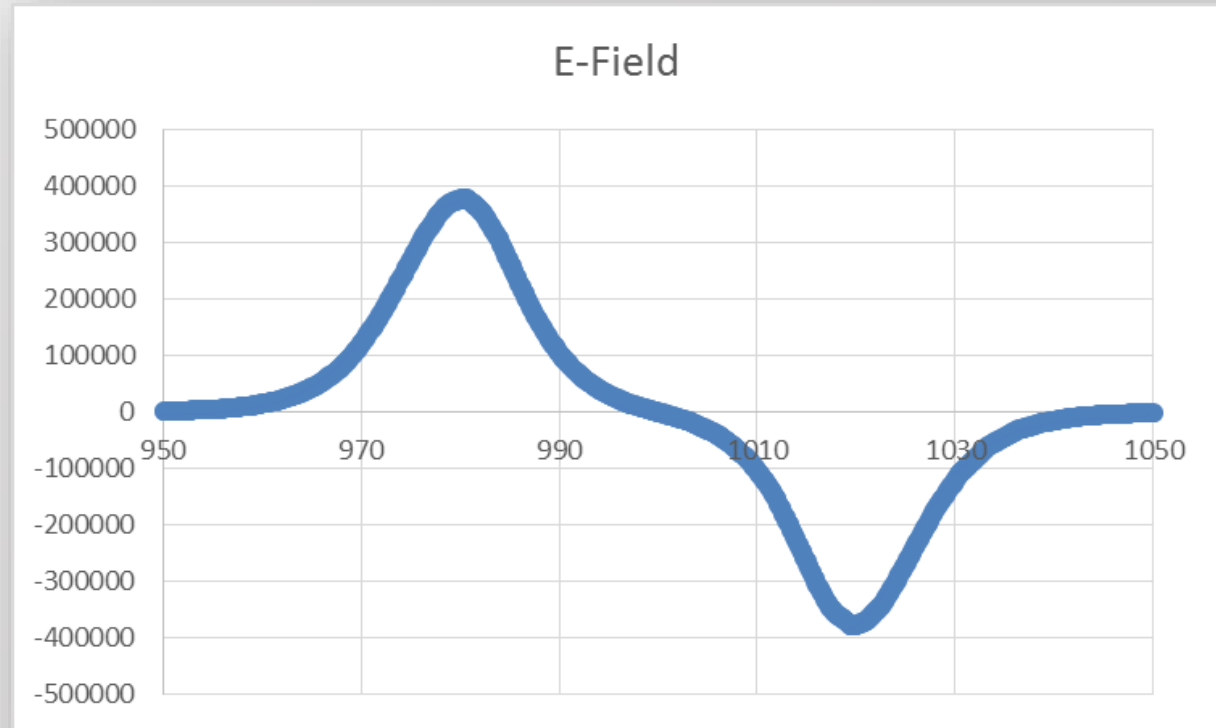
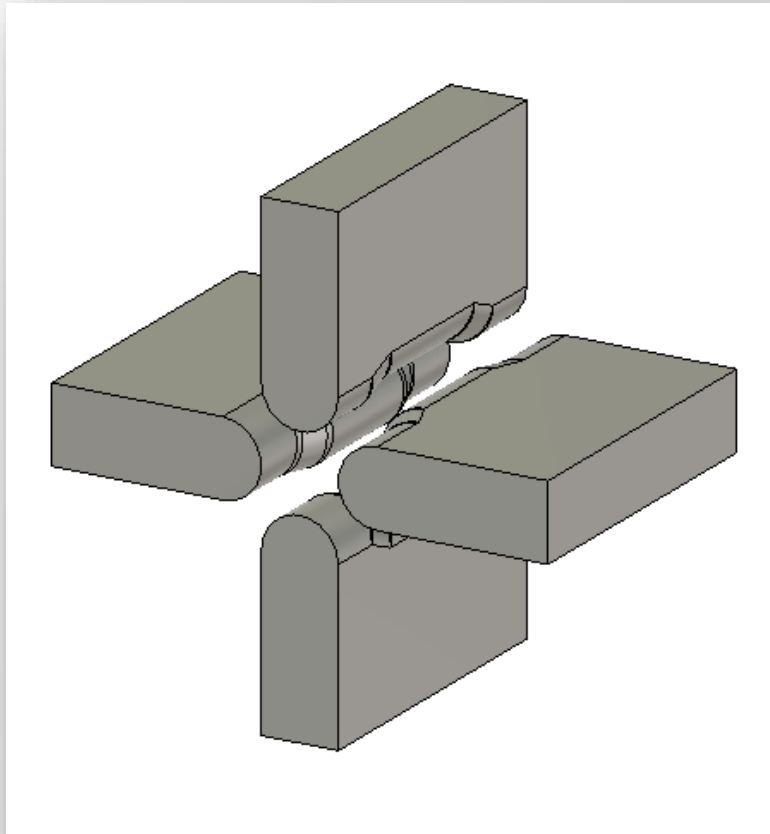
Table 2: MIST-1 ion source parameters.

Parameter	Value (nominal)
Plasma chamber length	6.5 cm
Plasma chamber diameter	15 cm
Permanent magnet material	Sm <sub>2</sub> Co <sub>17</sub>
Permanent magnet strength	1.05 T on surface
Front plate magnets	12 bars (star shape)
Radial magnets	12 bars
Back plate magnets	4 bars, 3 parallel rows
Front plate cooling	embedded steel tube
Back plate cooling	embedded copper tube
Chamber cooling	water jacket
Water flow (both)	(1.5 l/min)
Filament feedthrough cooling	air cooled heat sink
Filament material	98% W, 2% Th
Filament diameter	≈ 1.5 mm
Discharge voltage	max. 150 V
Discharge current	max. 24 A
Filament heating voltage	max. 8 V
Filament heating current	max. 100 A

Table 5: RFQ cavity geometrical parameters. Select parameters are also shown in Figure 8.

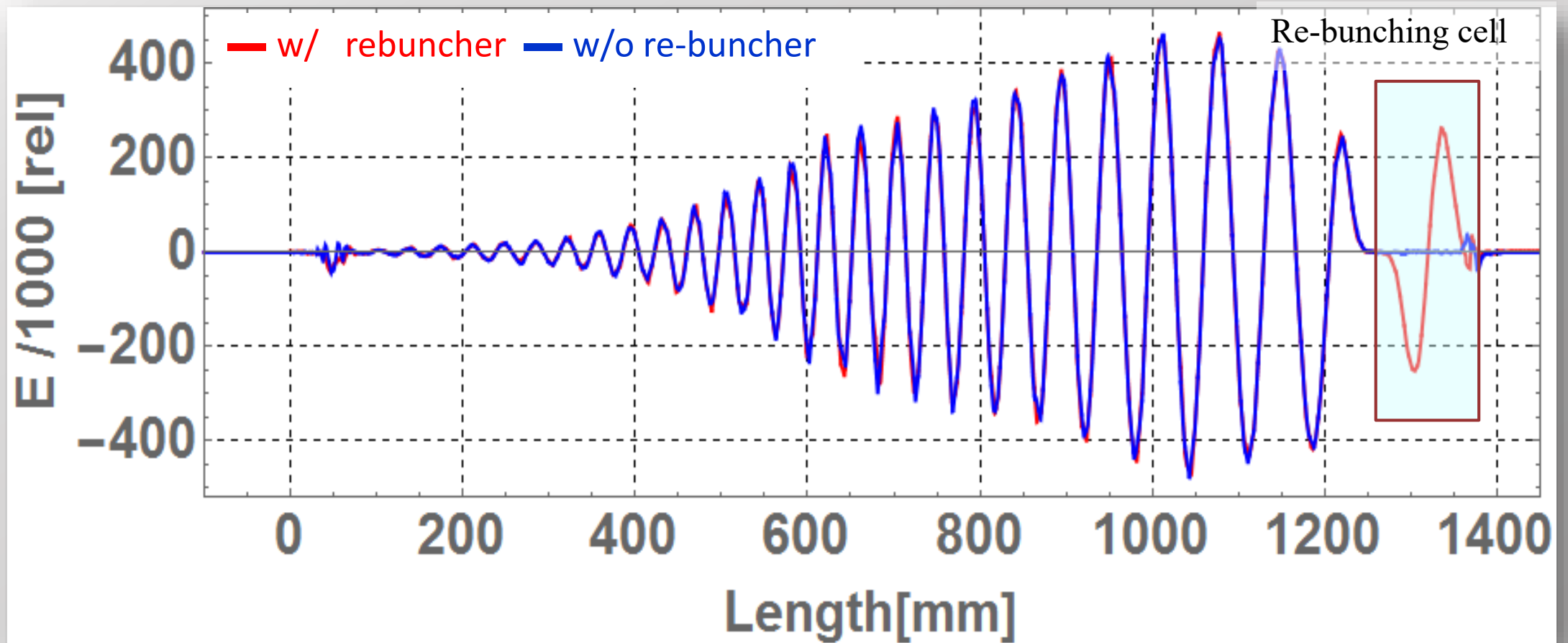
<b>Parameter (description)</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Unit</b>
R (cavity radius)	120.00	mm
r (electrode radius)	9.30	mm
d (electrode distance)	18.60	mm
g1 (gap vert. vane $\leftrightarrow$ end plate)	25.62	mm
g2 (gap horz. vane $\leftrightarrow$ end plate)	8.35	mm
p (vane skirt position)	60.0	mm
l1 (horizontal vane length)	1353.07	mm
l2 (vertical vane length)	1370.34	mm
L (cavity length)	1378.69	mm
t (cavity thickness)	20.0	mm
s (vane skirt max. thickness)	30.0	mm
h (vane skirt min. thickness)	10.0	mm

# Rebunching cell

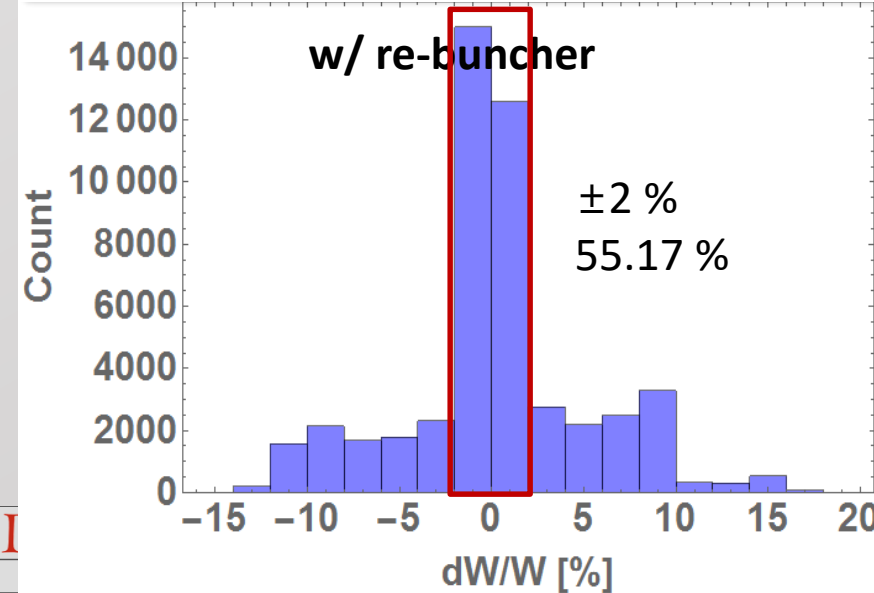
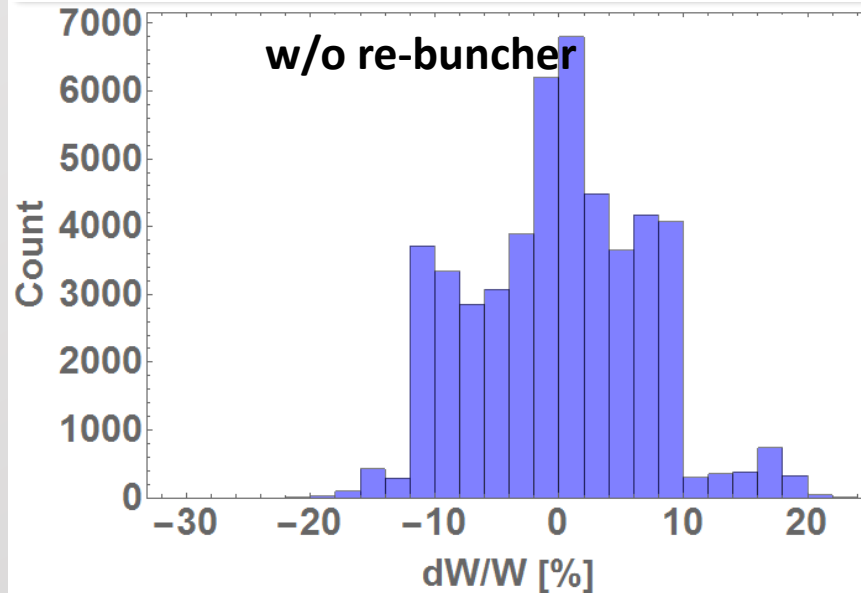
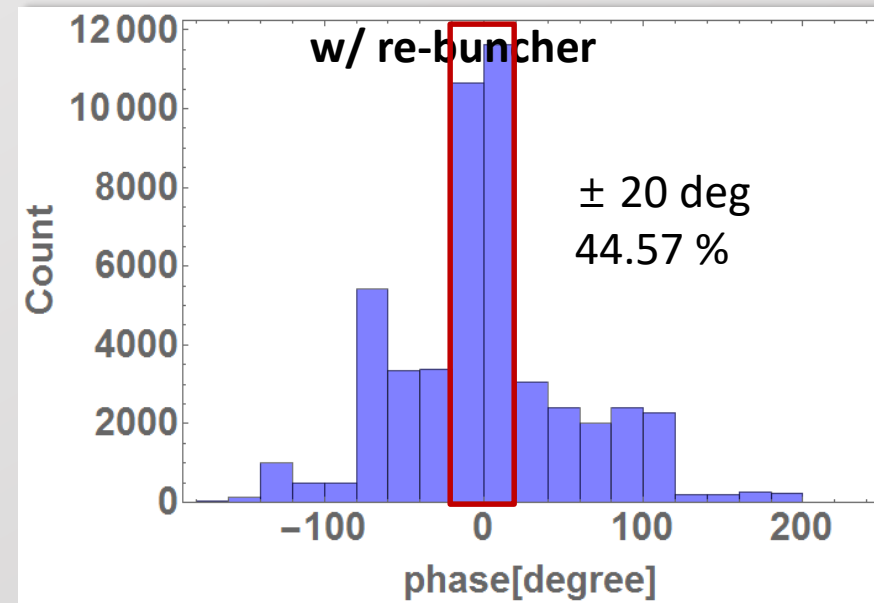
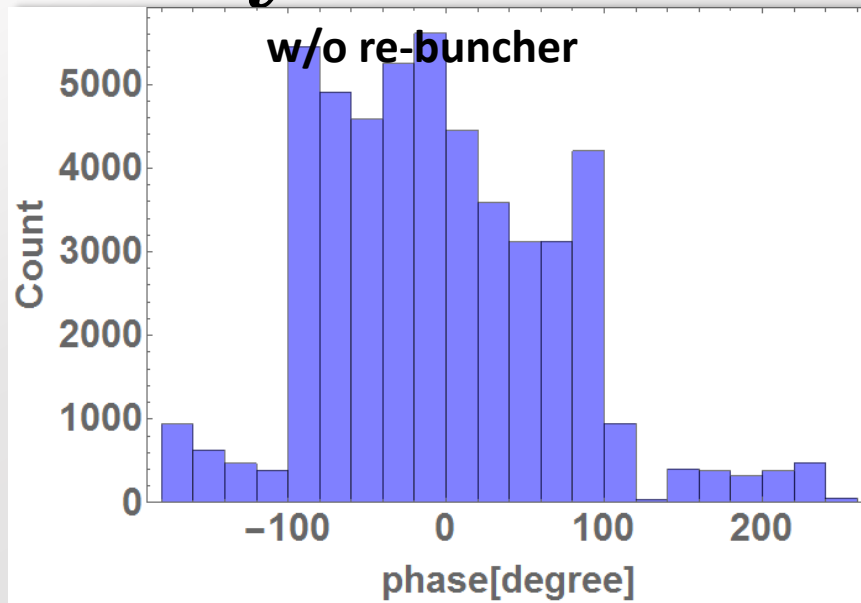


- Longitudinal focusing at end of RFQ
- Adjustable parameter in design

# RFQ longitudinal E-field



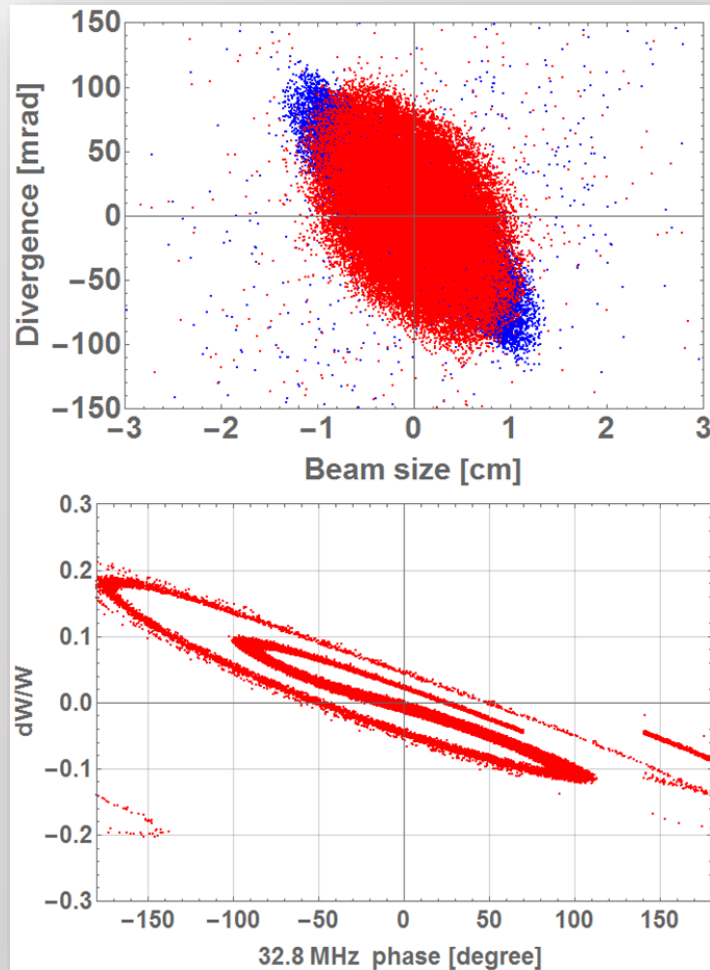
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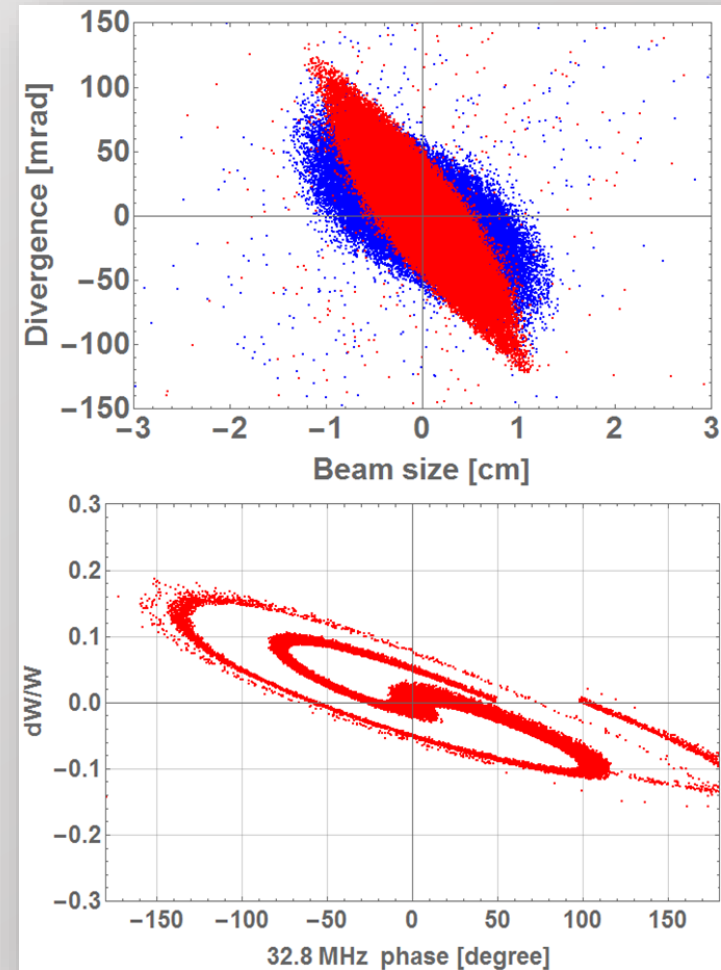


# Rebunching cell effects

Without rebunching

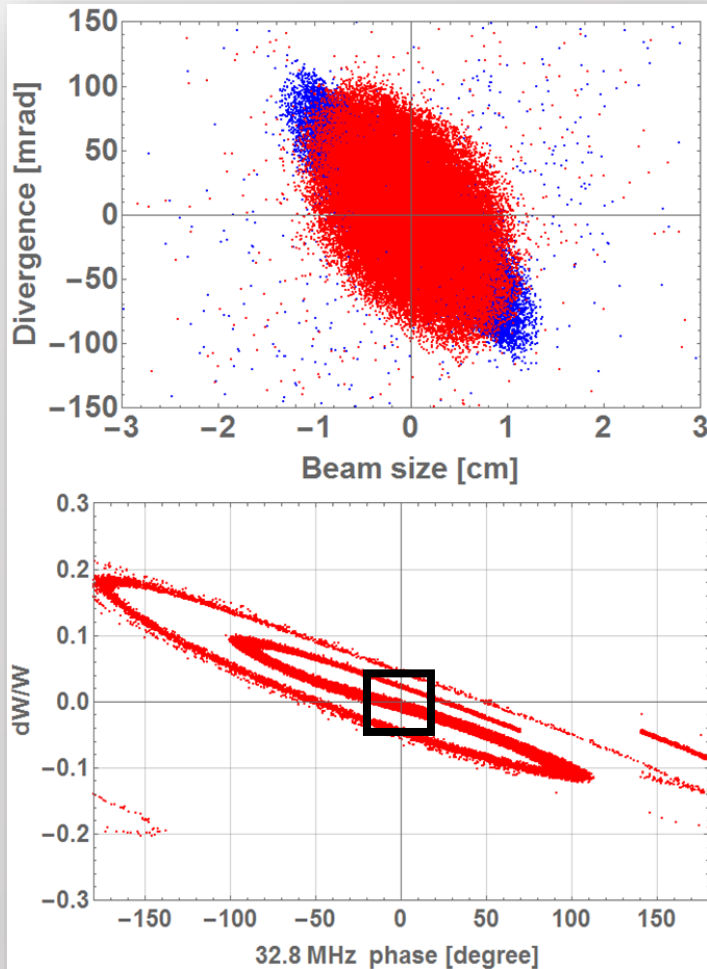


With rebunching

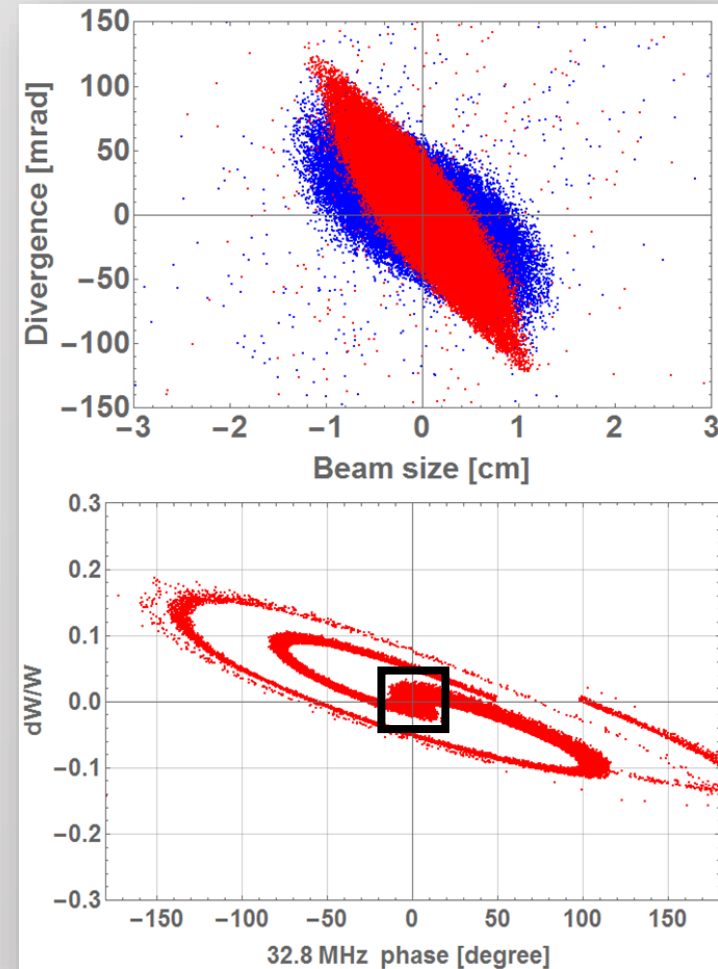


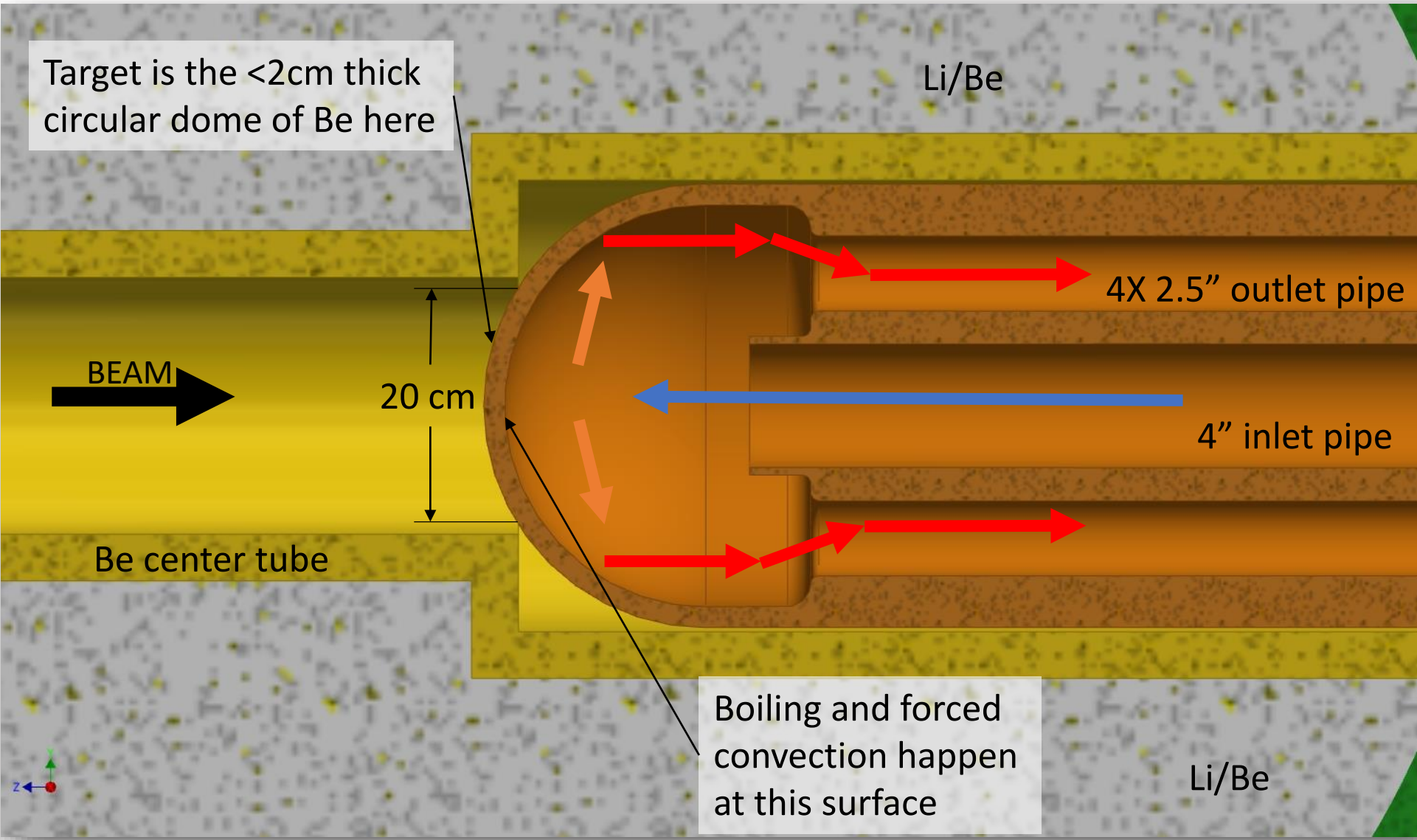
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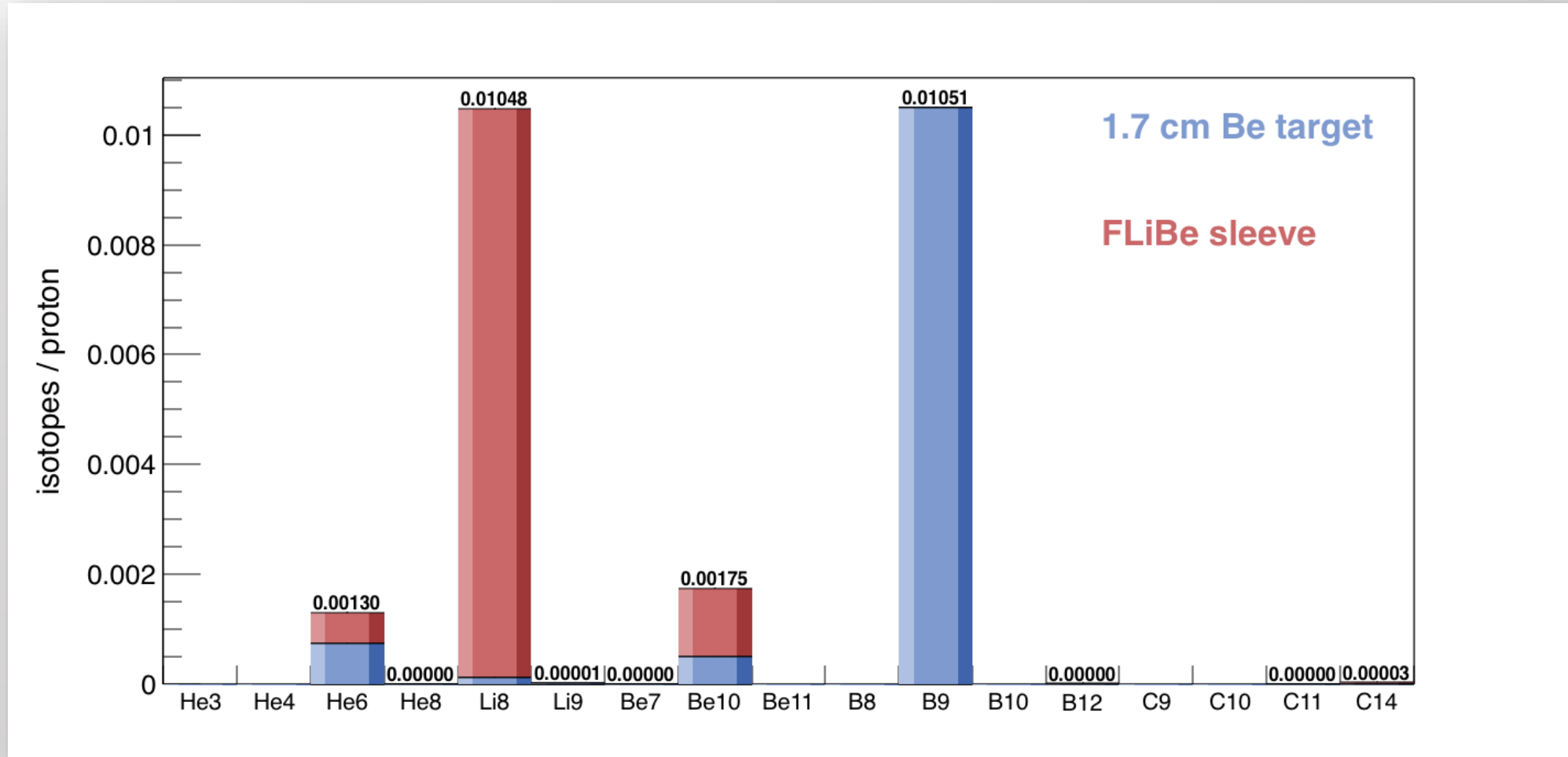


With rebunching





# Production in target and sleeve



# $\bar{\nu}$ production

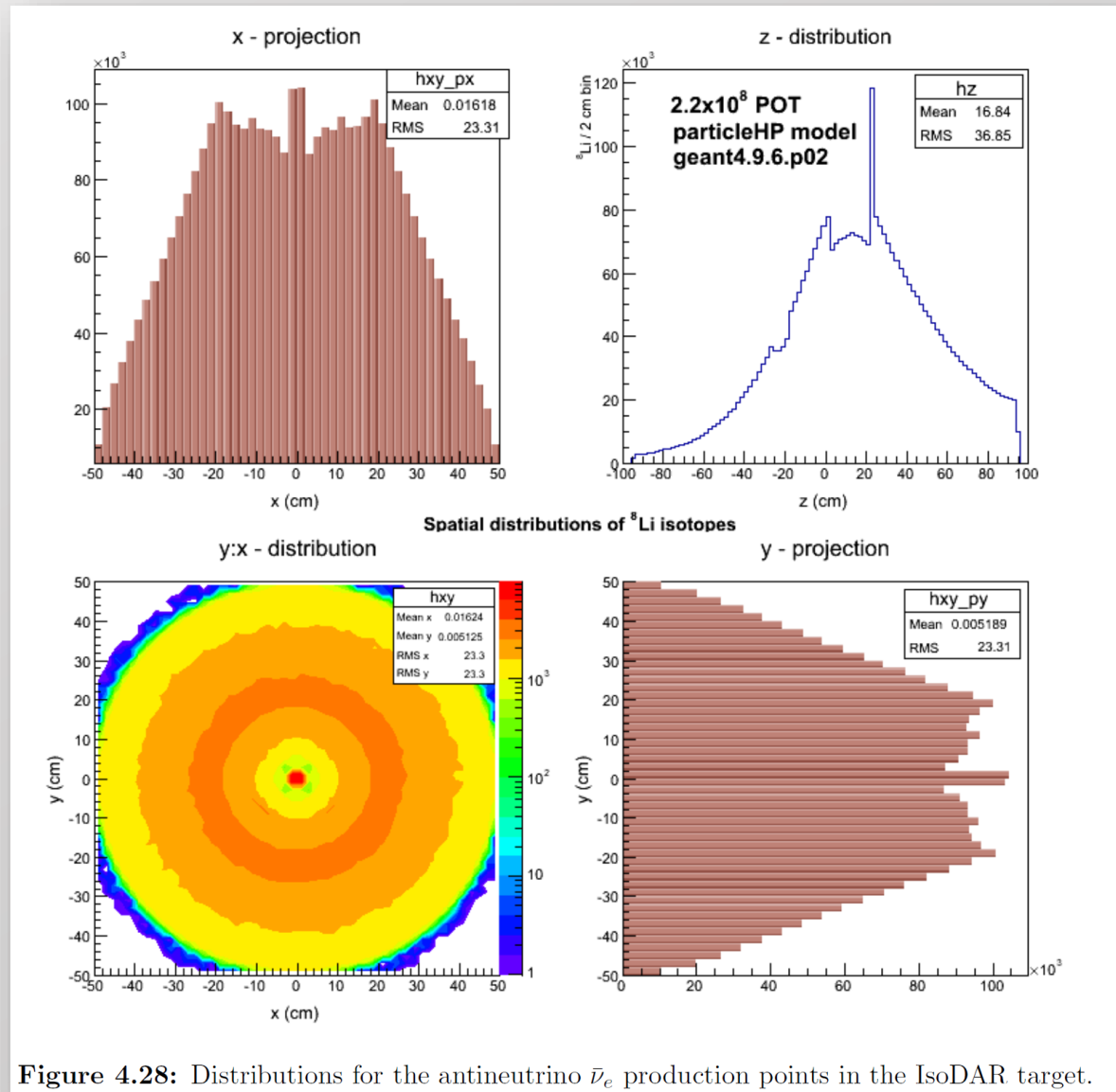


Figure 4.28: Distributions for the antineutrino  $\bar{\nu}_e$  production points in the IsoDAR target.