

# The Gamma Factory: Tools made from Light



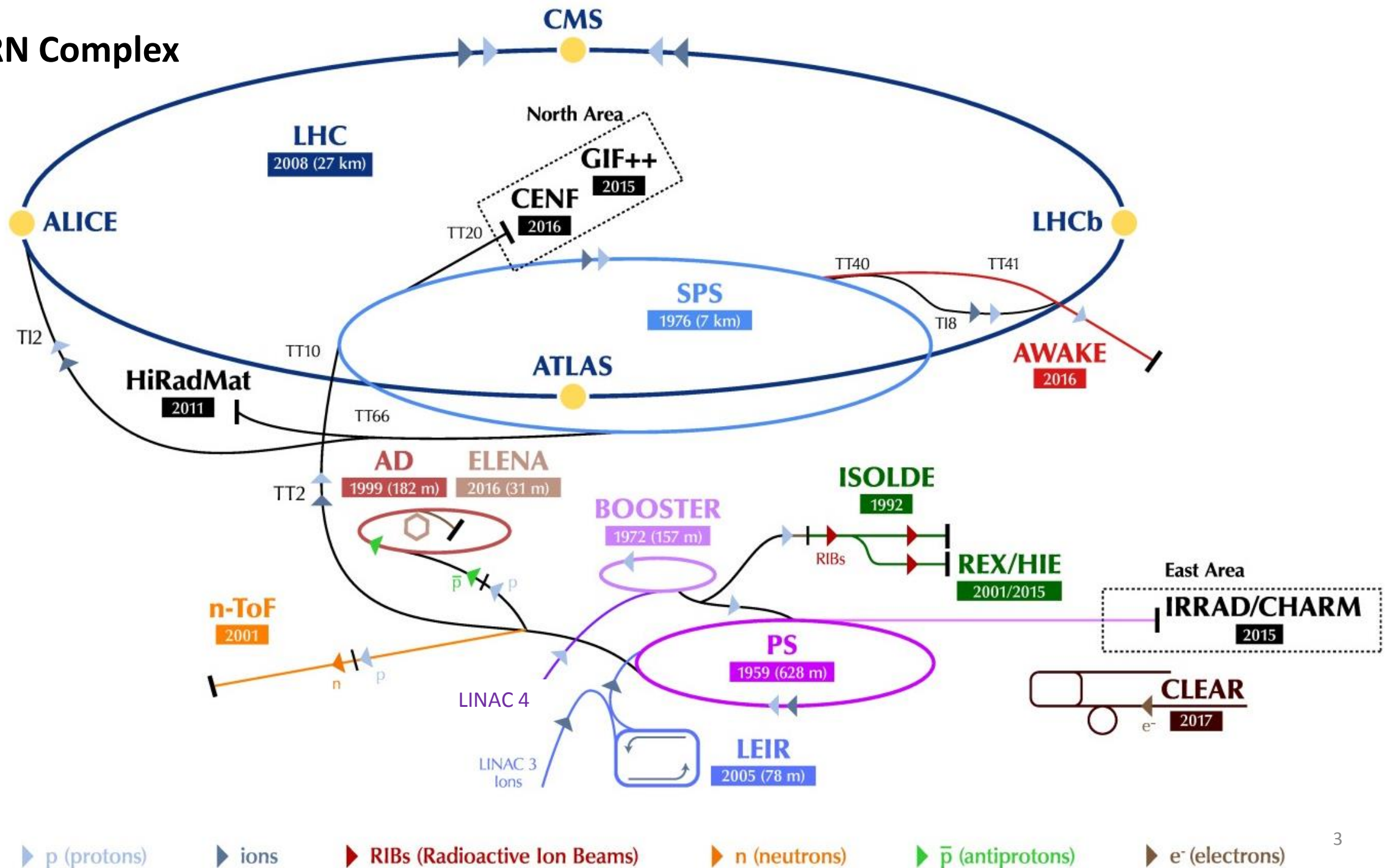
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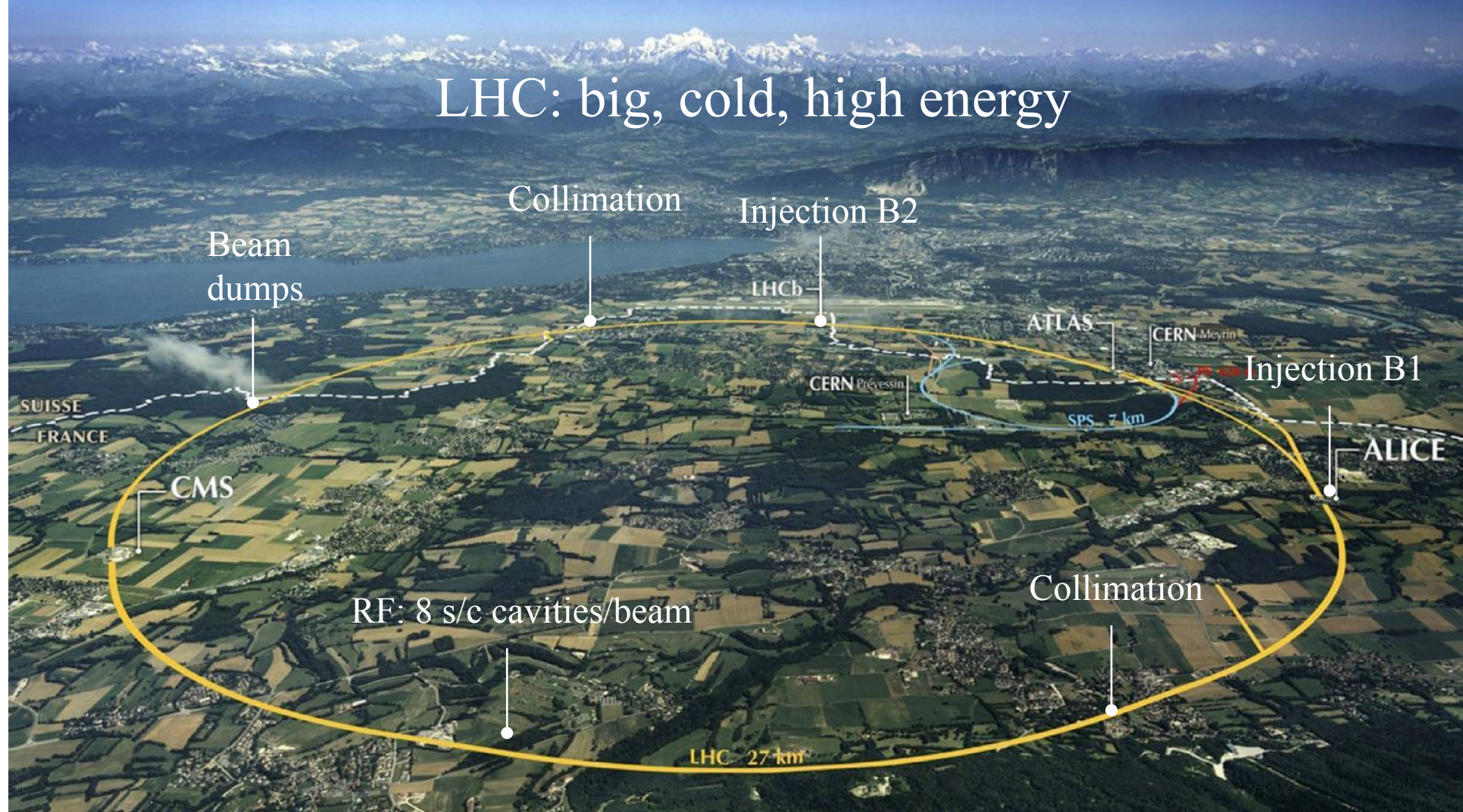
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# CERN Complex



# LHC: big, cold, high energy

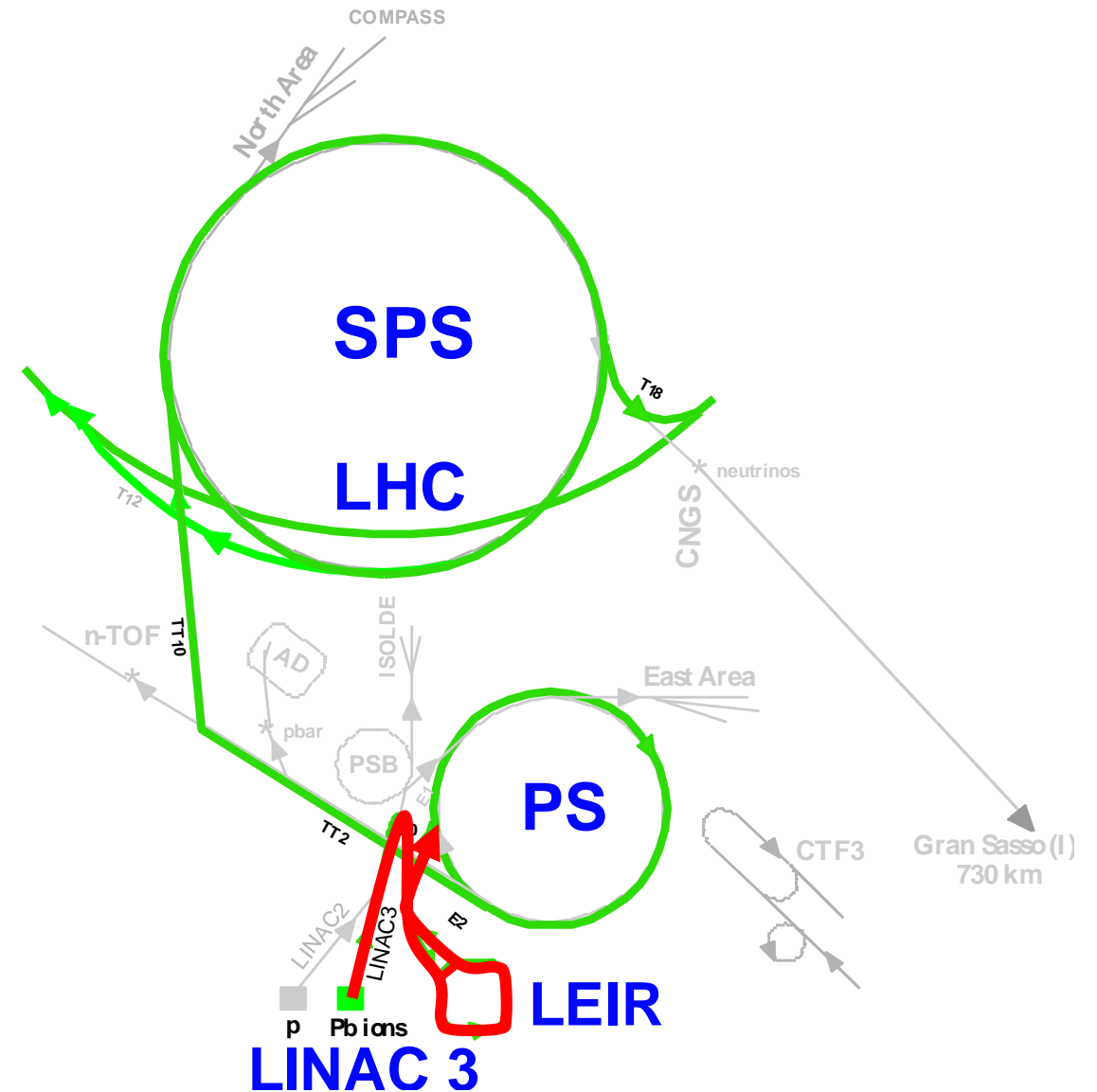


1720 Power converters  
> 9000 magnetic elements  
7568 Quench detection systems  
1088 Beam position monitors  
~4000 Beam loss monitors

150 tonnes helium, ~90 tonnes at 1.9 K  
~350 MJ stored beam energy  
1.2 GJ magnetic energy per sector at 6.5 TeV

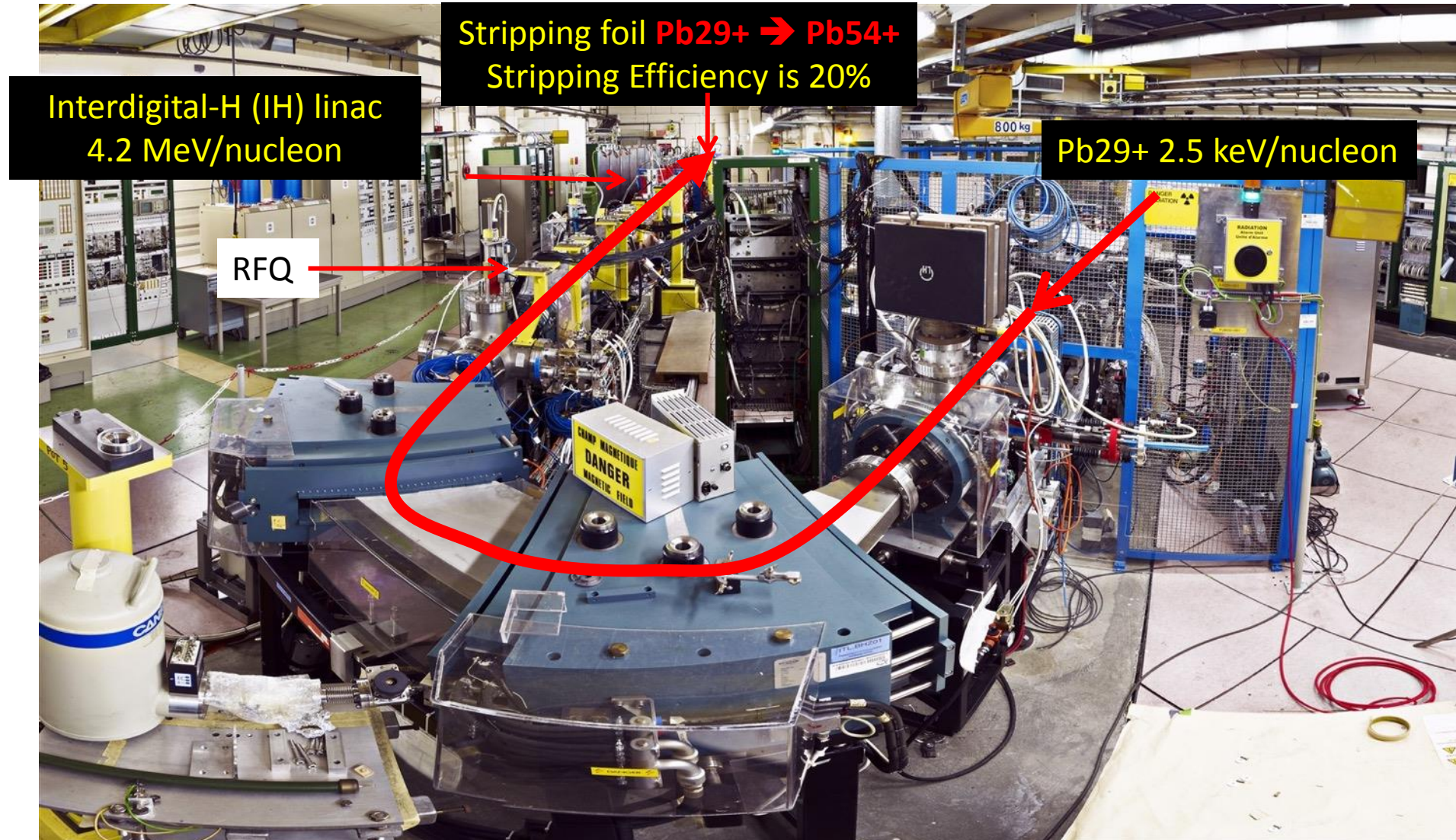
# Ion production at CERN

- Electron Cyclotron Resonance (ECR) ion source (2005)
  - Provides highest possible intensity of e.g. Pb29+
- RFQ - Linac3
  - Accelerate to LEIR injection energy
  - Strip to Pb54+
- LEIR (2005)
  - Accumulate and cool Linac3 beam
  - Prepare bunch structure for PS
  - Accelerate to PS injection energy



**Main clients: NA61, LHC (ATLAS, CMS, ALICE, LHCb, LHCf)**

# Linac3



# Species to date

Table 1: Charge States and Typical Intensities

<b>Species</b>	<b>Ar</b>	<b>Xe</b>	<b>Pb</b>
Charge state in Linac3	Ar <sup>11+</sup>	Xe <sup>20+</sup>	Pb <sup>29+</sup>
Linac3 beam current after stripping [eμA]	50	27	25
Charge state $Q$ in LEIR/PS	Ar <sup>11+</sup>	Xe <sup>39+</sup>	Pb <sup>54+</sup>
Ions/bunch in LEIR	$3 \times 10^9$	$4.3 \times 10^8$	$2 \times 10^8$
Ions/bunch in PS	$2 \times 10^9$	$2.6 \times 10^8$	$1.2 \times 10^8$
Charge state $Z$ in SPS	Ar <sup>18+</sup>	Xe <sup>54+</sup>	Pb <sup>82+</sup>
Ions at injection in SPS	$7 \times 10^9$	$8.1 \times 10^8$	$4 \times 10^8$
Ions at extraction in SPS	$5 \times 10^9$	$6 \times 10^8$	$3 \times 10^8$

**Oxygen incoming**

# Ions in the LHC

$$\frac{p}{Qe} = B\rho$$

Momentum of fully stripped Pb:  $7.0 Z \text{ TeV}/c = 574 \text{ TeV}$   
 Centre of mass energy =  $1.148 \text{ PeV}$

$$\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 2 \sqrt{\frac{Z_1 Z_2}{A_1 A_2}} E_p$$

$$= 5.02 \text{ TeV}$$

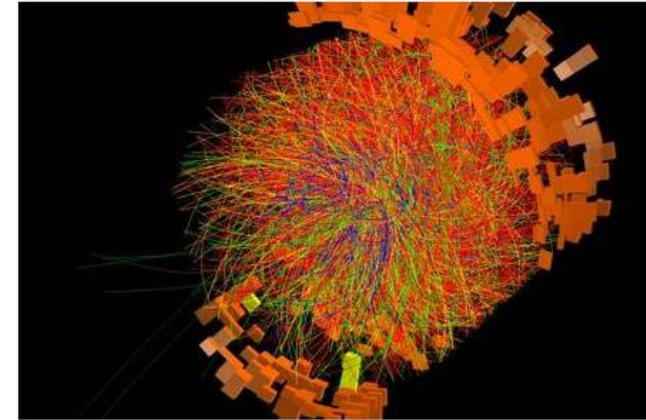
$$\Rightarrow E_b = \begin{cases} 6.37Z \text{ TeV} & \text{in Pb-Pb} \\ 4 Z \text{ TeV} & \text{in p-Pb} \\ 2.51 \text{ TeV} & \text{in p-p} \end{cases}$$

## LHC records biggest bang ever with 1 Peta-electron-volt jolt

Once again fails to suck Earth into black hole

By [Richard Chirgwin](#) 30 Nov 2015 at 07:27

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What ALICE saw: lead ions colliding at the LHC. Image by Federico Ronchetti, CERN

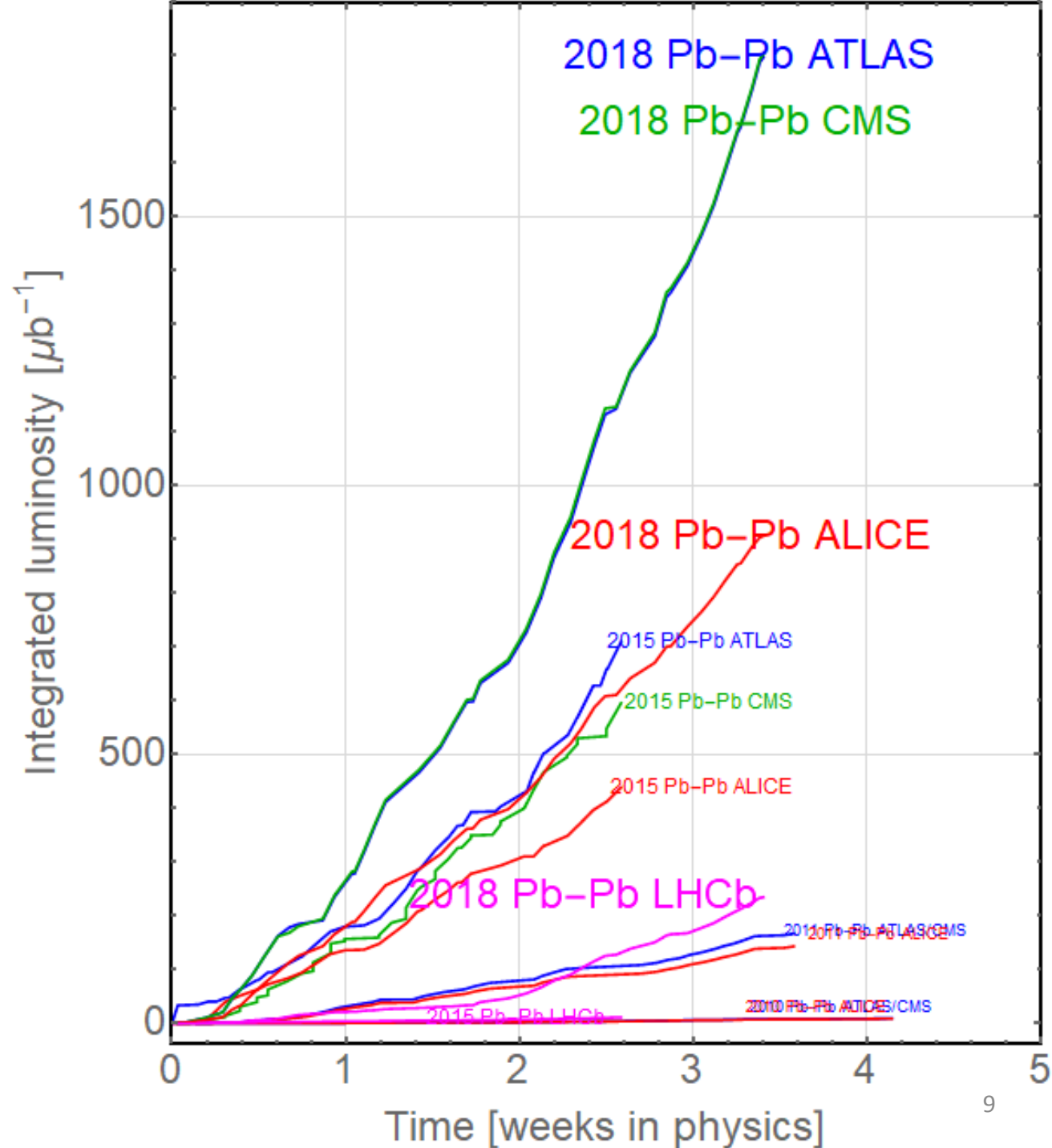
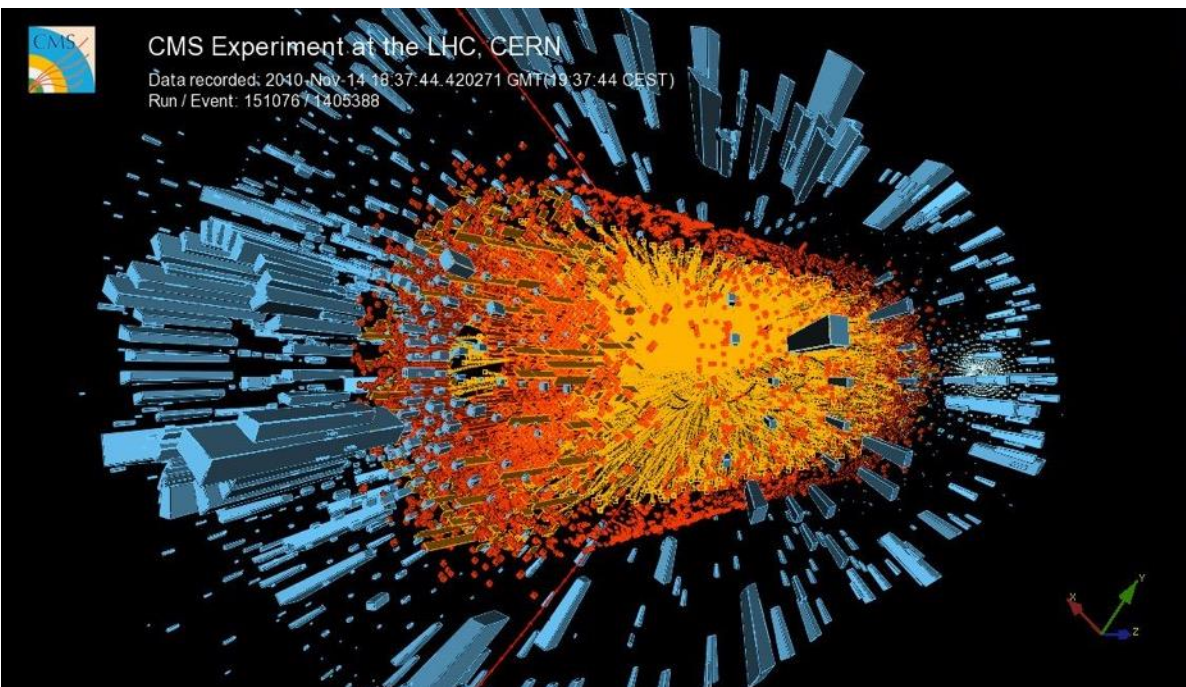
	Pb-Pb HL-LHC
$\beta^*$ IP1/2/5/8	0.5/0.5/0.5/1.5
$E_{pb}$ [Z TeV]	7
Pb/bunch [ $10^8$ ]	1.8
$N_b$	1232
$E_b$ [MJ]	21
$L_{AA}$ [ $10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ]	7



# LHC Ion Program

So far:

- Lead-lead
- Proton-lead and vice versa
- Xeon-xeon (16 hours)
- Partially Stripped Ions (MD)

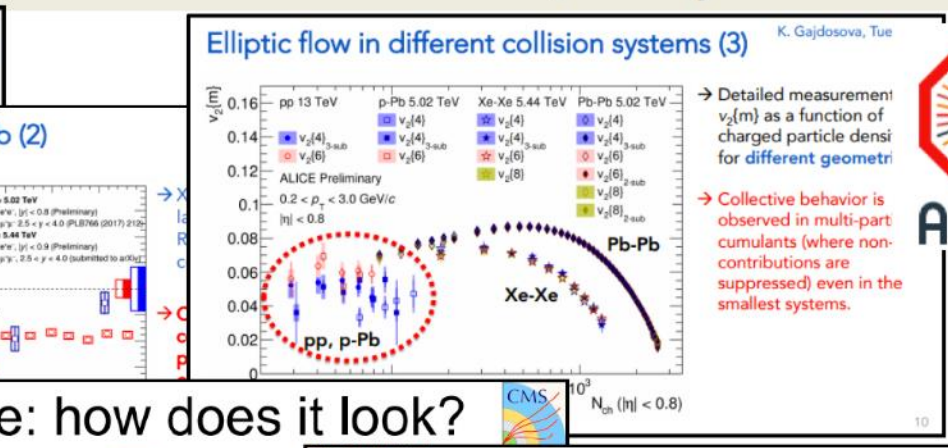
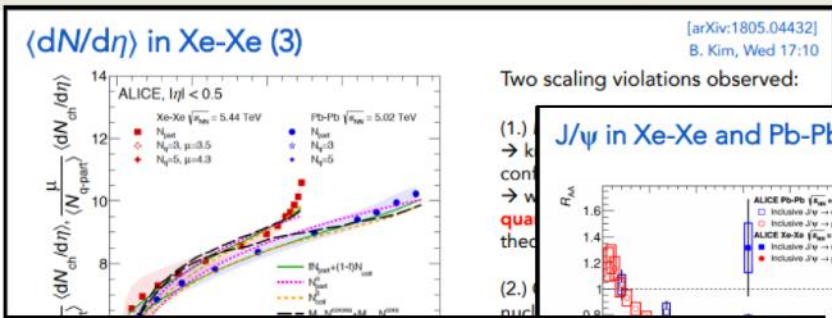


# Results from Xe-Xe run of LHC at Quark Matter conference, May 2018

Rich physics harvest from 16 h (6.5 h Stable Beams) Xe-Xe run of LHC on 12/10/2017.

Results reported by all LHC experiments, clarifying the transitions between Pb-Pb, p-Pb and p-p.

Illustrates "beyond-design" potential of LHC.



## Physics Highlights CMS

- Nuclear matter physics
  - Onset of collective effects in small systems
  - System size dependence of QGP effects
  - Flavor dependence of parton shower modification
  - Quark and gluon parton distribution functions
  - Beyond cold nuclear matter effects in Pb and Xe
  - Quarkonia in hot medium
- "New" physics
  - Limits on chiral magnetic effect
  - Observation of light-by-light scattering

proton-proton, proton-lead, xenon-xenon

## XeXe: how does it look?

CMS-PAS-HIN-17-006

**XeXe: charged hadron R\_AA**  
CMS-PAS-HIN-18-004  
R\_AA vs Npart and R\_AA vs pT. Similar scaling in XeXe and PbPb. Within uncertainties R\_AA consistent.

## DIJET ASYMMETRY IN XE+XE

ATLAS Preliminary

- Dijet asymmetry, xJ, used in Run 1 to establish an observation of jet quenching
- Question: what controls the dijet asymmetry?
- xJ measured in Xe+Xe collisions at 5.44 TeV as a function of centrality and jet pT
- xJ is not unfolded for detector effects

No conclusive evidence for either flat plateau or Gaussian shape  
Talk, Initial state physics, Wed. 17:50, R. Bi

**2018 Quark Matter**  
Venezia, 14-19 May, Lido di Venezia  
Highlights from the ATLAS experiment  
Iwona Grabowska-Bold (AGH UST Kraków) on behalf of the ATLAS Collaboration, Venice, May 14th, 2018

## FLOW HARMONICS IN XE+XE

ATLAS Preliminary

- Centrality- and pT-dependence of flow harmonics v2-v5 in Xe+Xe collisions at 5.44 TeV
- Very precise measurement of multi-particle cumulants for 2, 4 and 6 particles and scalar-product (SP) method
- Similar pattern for flow harmonics as in Pb+Pb: rise up to pT=3 GeV, then decrease with pT, magnitude of flow harmonics decreases with their order
- vn are observed to be large n=2,3,4 in most central events
- With decreasing centrality harmonic order, vn in Xe compared to Pb
- Predictions by Giacalone can describe basic features

## RAA FOR CHARGED HADRONS IN XE+XE

ATLAS-CONF-2018-007

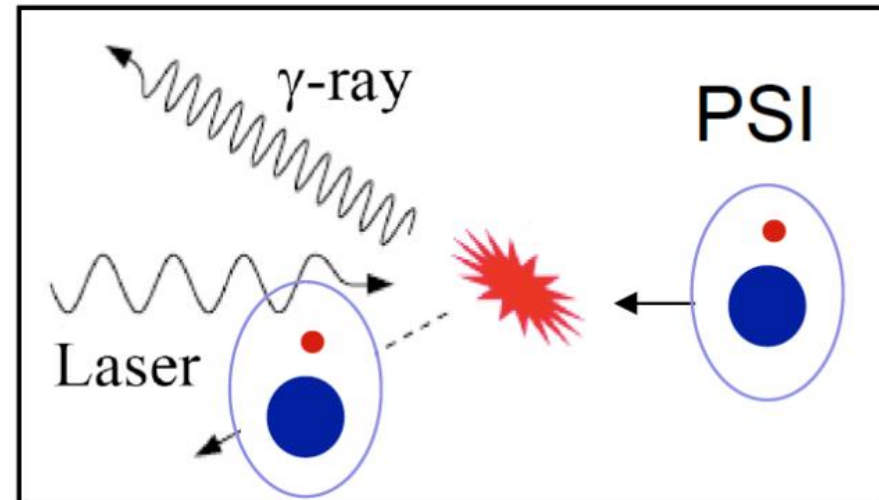
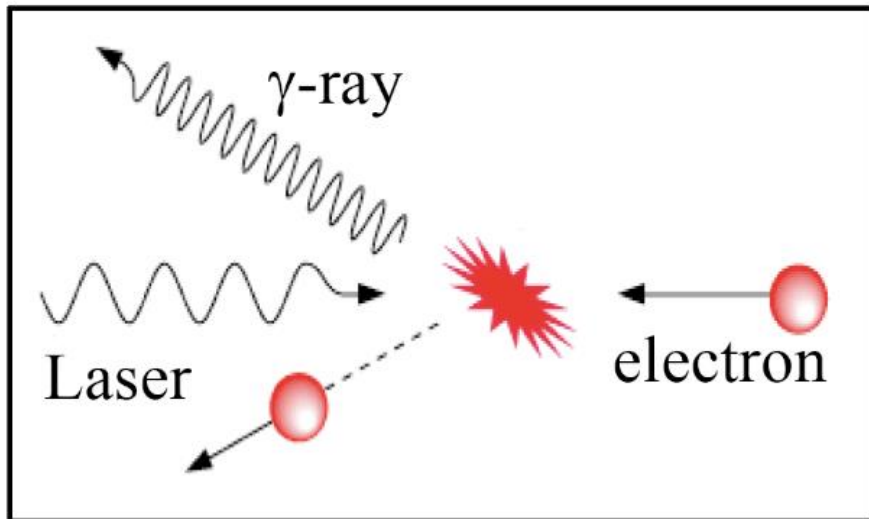
- Measurement of charged-hadron spectra measured in Xe+Xe collisions at 5.44 TeV
- Addresses a question about a role of geometry in HI collisions
- RAA shows a centrality-dependent suppression with characteristics already observed in Pb+Pb
- Increase to pT=2 GeV (maximum), decrease to pT=7 GeV (minimum), and again increase up to pT=60 GeV
- RAA in Xe compared to Pb in similar <Npart> intervals
- In central events, hadron yields in Xe more suppressed to those in Pb, while in peripheral events, milder suppression in Xe than Pb
- Also shapes of RAA seem to be systematically different in two collision systems



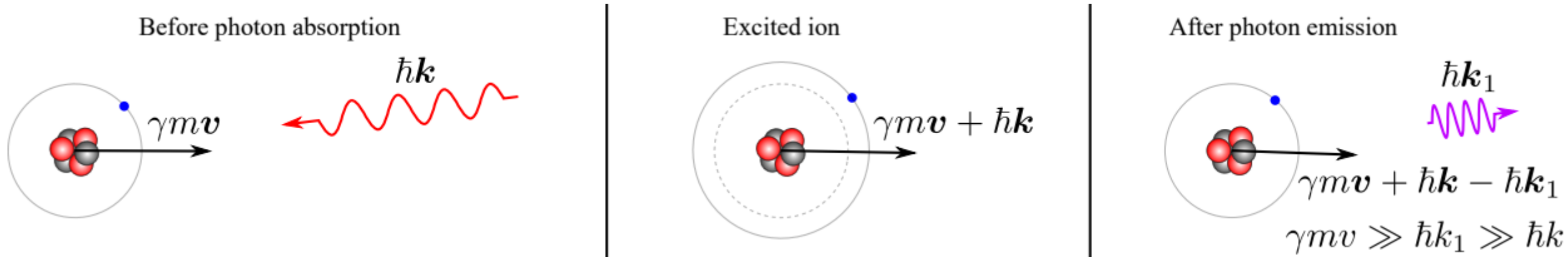
# Gamma Factory Principles

# The idea

Replace an electron beam by a beam of highly ionised atoms  
(Partially Stripped Ions - PSI)



# Enjoy relativistic magic twice



Optical photon of angular frequency  $\omega$  travelling against the PSI is boosted in the ion frame

$$\omega' = (1 + \beta)\gamma\omega \simeq 2\gamma\omega,$$

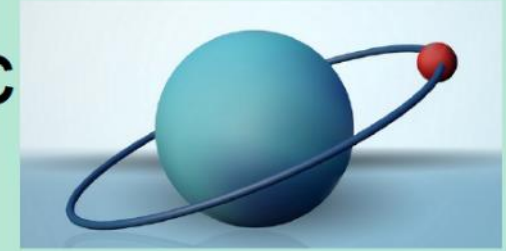
Spontaneous de-excitation of the ion produces a photon - angular distribution isotropic in the ion frame.

Boosting back to the lab frame:

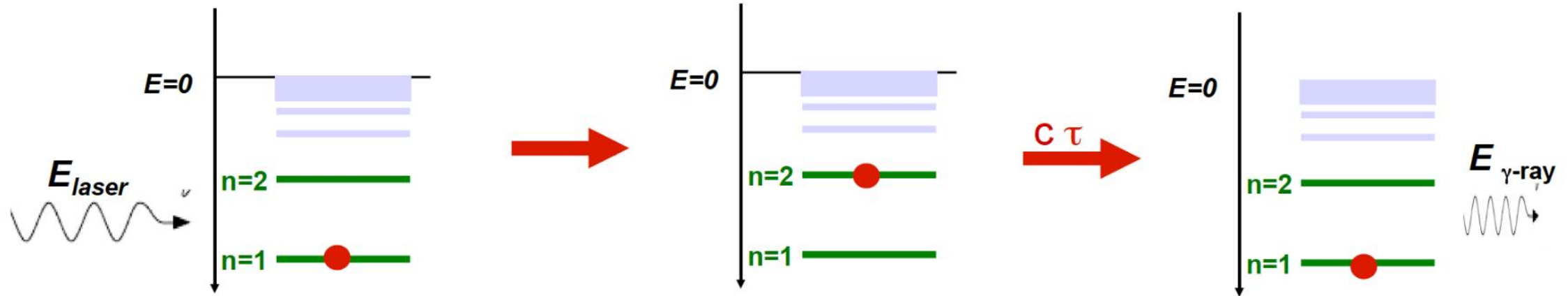
- the emitted photons are concentrated in a small angle  $\simeq 1/\gamma$  in the forward direction of the ion beam.
- the angular frequency  $\omega''$  of the photon propagating back along its incoming direction is boosted by another factor  $2\gamma$  such that:

$$\omega'' \simeq 2\gamma\omega' \simeq 4\gamma^2\omega.$$

# Scattering of photons on ultra-relativistic hydrogen-like, Rydberg atoms



$$-E_n = 1\text{Ry } Z^2/n^2$$



$$E_{laser} = 1\text{Ry } (Z^2 - Z^2/n^2)/2\gamma_L$$

$$E_{\gamma\text{-ray}} = E_{laser} \times 4\gamma_L^2 / (1 + (\gamma_L \theta)^2)$$

$\gamma_L = E/M$  - Lorentz factor of the PSI beam<sup>14</sup>

# PSI beam as a frequency converter

$$\nu^{max} = (4 \gamma_L^2) \nu^i$$

Can tune:

- ion type, ion charge
- atomic excitation level (transition energy and lifetime)
- beam energy
- laser type

At the LHC this gives a  $\gamma$ -ray energy domain of **100 keV – 400 MeV**

*Example (maximal energy):*

LHC, Pb<sup>80+</sup> ion,  $\gamma_L = 2887$ ,  $n=1 \rightarrow 2$ ,  $\lambda = 104.4$  nm,  $E_\gamma$  (max) = **396 MeV**

# Example: H-like Xe ( $1s \rightarrow 2p$ )<sub>1/2</sub>

Stripping sequence: Xe<sup>+39</sup> → Xe<sup>+53</sup> (PS-SPS transfer line)

Beam life time (SPS) ~ 250 s

Beam life time (LHC) ~ 20 h

Transition energy (ion rest frame) ~ 34 KeV (using  $Z^2$  scaling)

$\tau_{\text{excited state}} = 0.16$  fs (using  $Z^4$  scaling)

$\gamma_L(\text{max}) = 3040$

$E_L(\text{min}) = 5.2$  eV

$\lambda_L(\text{max}) = 238$  nm

$E_\gamma(\text{max}) = 182$  MeV

$N_\gamma(\text{scaled}) \sim N_\gamma^{\text{PoP}} \times [\lambda_L^*(\text{LHC})/\lambda_L^*(\text{PoP})]^2 \times [\Gamma_{\text{Xe}}(1s \rightarrow 2p)/\Gamma_{\text{Pb}}(2s \rightarrow 2p_{1/2})] \times [N_{\text{Xe}}/N_{\text{Pb}}] \sim 20 \times 4 \times N_\gamma^{\text{PoP}}$

Gamma flux may be limited by laser power (fifth harmonic) ( $l_{\text{decay}} = 0.14$  mm) and double photon absorption.



# Cross-section

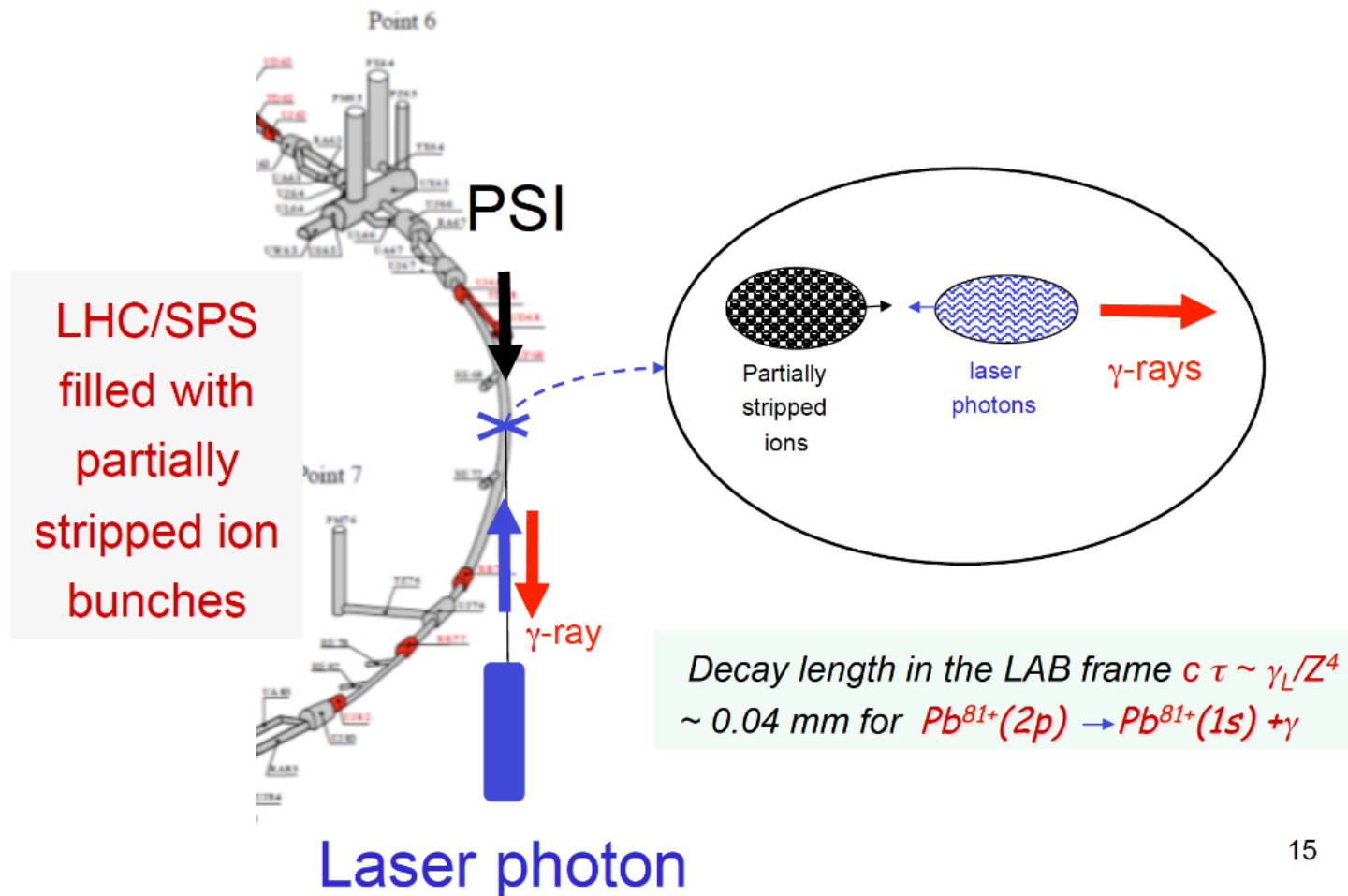
The cross-section for the resonant absorption of laser photons by the atomic systems is in the **giga-barn** range cf. the cross-section for electrons which is in the barn range.

→ Expect each atom to undergo  $\sim 4$  excitation/de-excitations per beam/laser crossing

- As a consequence the PSI-beam-driven light source intensity could be higher than those of the electron-beam-driven facilities by a significant factor.
- For the light source working in the regime of multiple photon emissions by each of the beam ion, the photon beam intensity is expected not to be limited by the laser light intensity but by the **available RF power of the ring** in which partially stripped ions are stored.
- For example, the flux of up to  **$10^{17}$  photons/s could be achieved for photon energies in the 10 MeV** region already with the present 16 MV circumferential voltage of the LHC cavities.

# Basic ingredients for:

## The $\gamma$ -ray source scheme for CERN



# Start to worry about...!

- Beam dynamics
  - effect of energy loss/turn to photons
  - beam lifetime
  - transverse longitudinal heating/cooling
  - induced cooling
- Interaction of laser with beam at interaction point
  - momentum spread in the beam
  - wavelength, power
  - overlap
  - maintaining a high level of excitation

# Energy loss

Example: Pb, hydrogen-like ions,  
stored in LHC  $\gamma_L = 2887$

## Partially stripped ions:

$$E_{\text{beam}} = 574\,000 \text{ GeV}$$

Electron fractional energy loss:  
emission of 150 MeV photon:

$$E_{\gamma}/E_{\text{beam}} = 2.6 \times 10^{-7}$$

(ion undisturbed!)



Stable ion beam, even in the regime of multi-photon emission per turn.

The source intensity is driven by the power of the RF cavities (and sufficient ions).

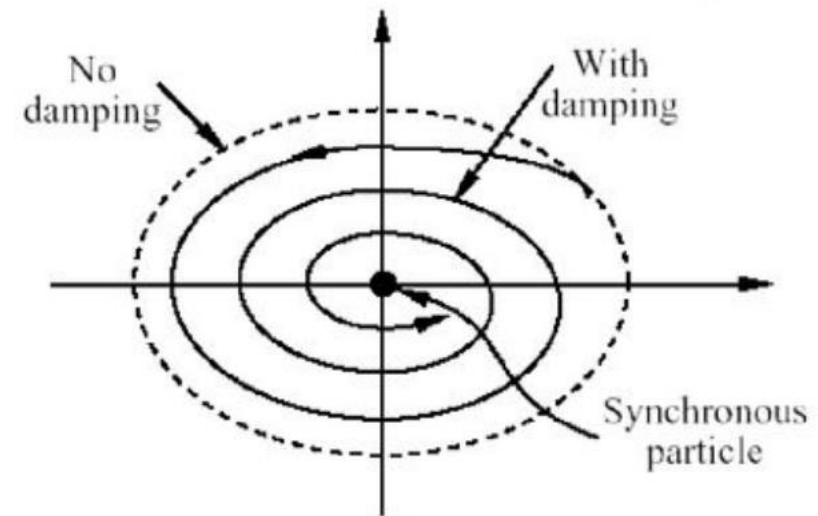
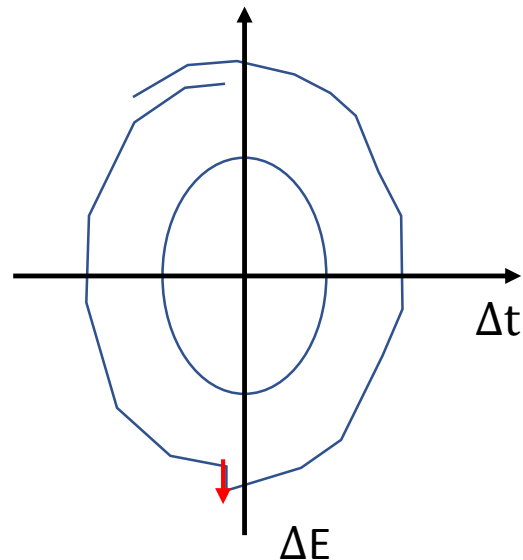
**However, the effects of small losses can mount up!**

# Effect of radiation on ion beam dynamics

**Transverse cooling:** all components of ion momentum are lost due to the photon scattering but only the longitudinal component is restored in the RF cavities.

**Longitudinal heating:** because energy loss per emission is stochastic

**Longitudinal cooling:** if energy loss grows with ion energy



# Energy loss

We have some experience from LEP: **3 GeV out of 100 GeV lost to synchrotron radiation per turn!**

Beam naturally finds the appropriate stable phase at the RF cavities to compensate the energy loss (in LEP the RF system provided  $\sim 3.6$  GV)

Synchrotron motion around this stable phase

Quantum emission of photons as a stochastic heating process balanced by damping due to differential energy loss

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data of: 02-08-99 11:26:34
-**- STABLE BEAMS **-
E = 100.010 GeV/c Beam In Coast: 0.1
Beams e+ e-
I(t) uA 2040.6 2349.9
tau(t) h 6.30 7.36
LUMINOSITIES L3 ALEPH OPAL DELPHI
L(t) cm^-2*s^-1 53.5 51.4 55.6 45.0
/L(t) nb^-1 11.5 11.8 8.7 12.2
Bkg 1 0.80 1.21 0.00 1.02
Bkg 2 0.86 0.53 0.96 2.28
COMMENTS 02-08-99 11:26
COLLIMATORS AT PHYSICS SETTINGS
FIRST PHYSICS AT 100 GEV
WHAT ABOUT THAT???
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# Energy loss

GF somewhat different – single region of emission – at possibly non-dispersive location

Normally only minor energy loss/ion to synchrotron radiation – RF phase close to zero

With say  $\sim 1$  GeV loss/turn – bunch will naturally find new stable phase to compensate per turn loss.

Off-momentum particles will perform synchrotron oscillations around this phase

Stochastic emission of photons could heat ensemble with possible lack of sufficient longitudinal damping depending on  $dU/dE$

$\Delta p/p$	$1.1 \times 10^{-4}$
RF bucket half height	$3.6 \times 10^{-4}$

## The LHC H-like Pb example:

Ion charge  $Z = 81$ , mass  $A = 208$ ,  $\gamma = 2719$ ,  $p_z = 526.5 \text{ TeV}/c$ ,

$\hbar\omega' = 69 \text{ keV}$  (Lyman-alpha line), laser  $\hbar\omega = 12 \text{ eV}$  (98 nm),  
emitted gamma  $\hbar\omega_{1,\text{max}} = 373 \text{ MeV}$ , typical angle of emission  $\theta_1 \sim 1/\gamma \sim 0.3 \text{ mrad}$ .

Typical transverse kick due to gamma emission:

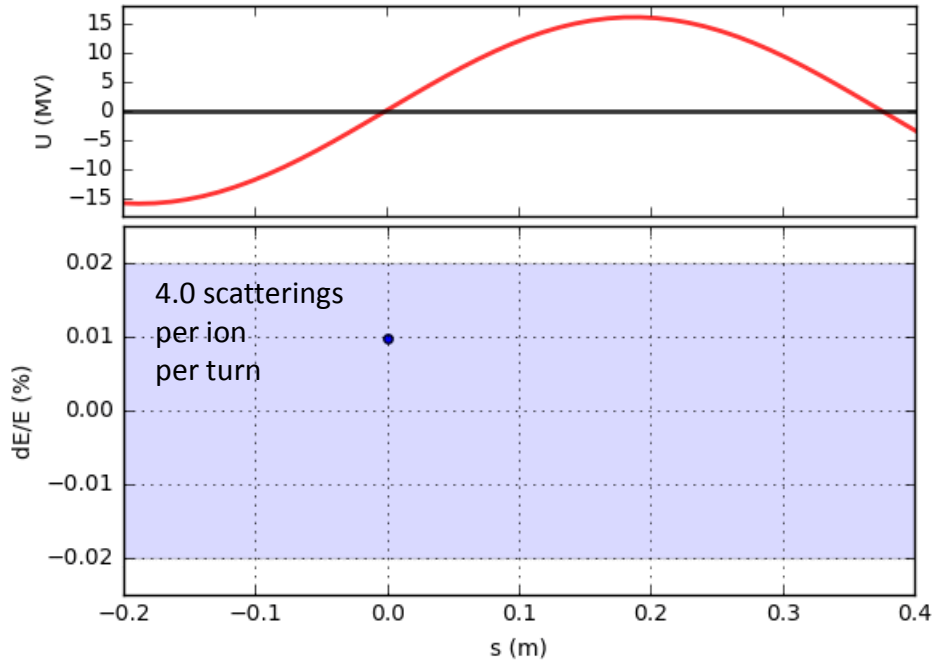
$$p_x/p_z \sim \hbar\omega'/p_z c \sim 69 \text{ keV} / 527 \text{ TeV} \sim 10^{-7} \text{ mrad}.$$

Typical transverse beam parameters at the LHC interaction point for example:  
Transverse beam size = 0.026 mm, angular spread = 0.026 mrad ( $10^5$  times higher).

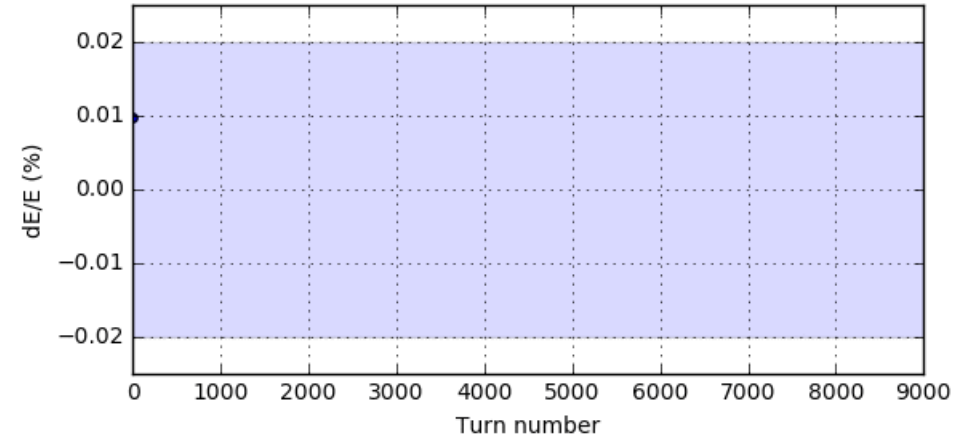
Typical energy spread in the beam is  $\Delta p/p \sim 10^{-4}$ , while the average  $\delta p_z$  due to the photon emission is  $200 \text{ MeV}/c \Rightarrow \delta p_z / p_z = 200 \text{ MeV} / 527 \text{ TeV} = 3.7 \cdot 10^{-7} \Rightarrow \Delta p/\delta p \approx 300$ , and even with one scattering per turn the longitudinal effects will be significant in  $\sim 100$ -1000 turns.



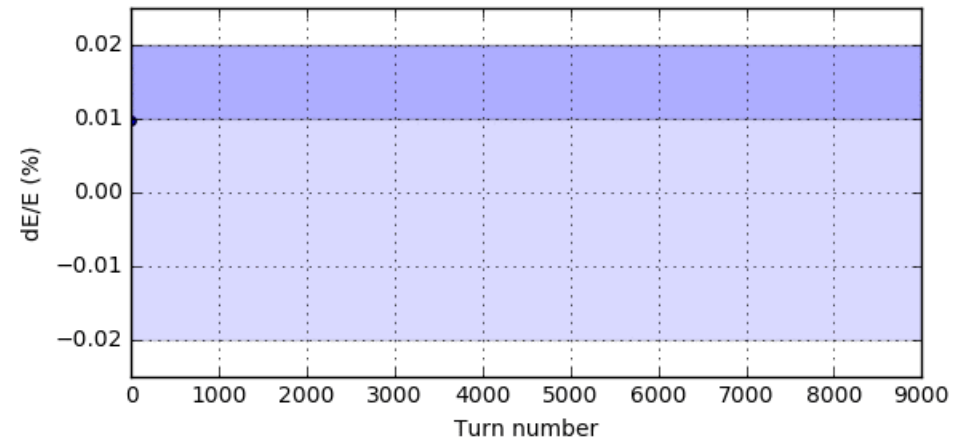
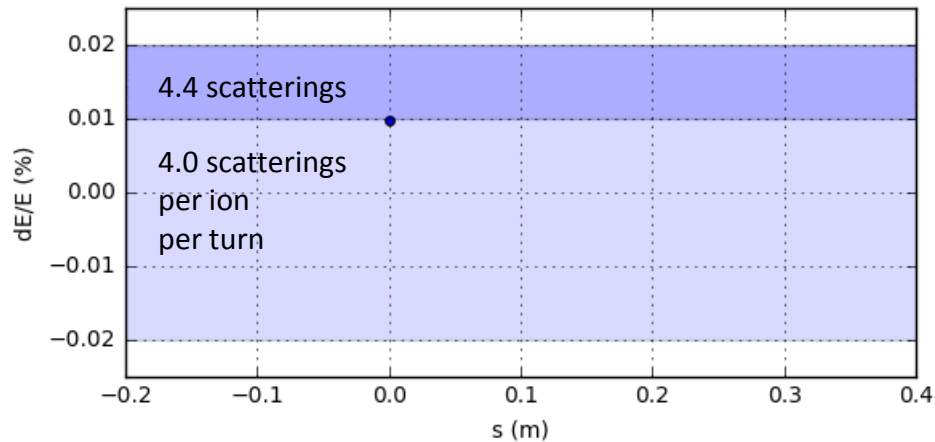
# Longitudinal laser cooling is important to stabilize the ion motion:



The important effect of photon emissions on ion beam dynamics is in the energy loss of the partially stripped ion. This energy loss is randomly distributed from 0 to 400 MeV in this case of Pb ion with one remaining electron in the LHC. This randomness excites uncontrolled growth of synchrotron oscillations leading to a loss of ion from the RF-bucket:



The synchrotron oscillations can be stabilized by a small change in the spectral distribution of the laser beam (or by adding another low-power laser):



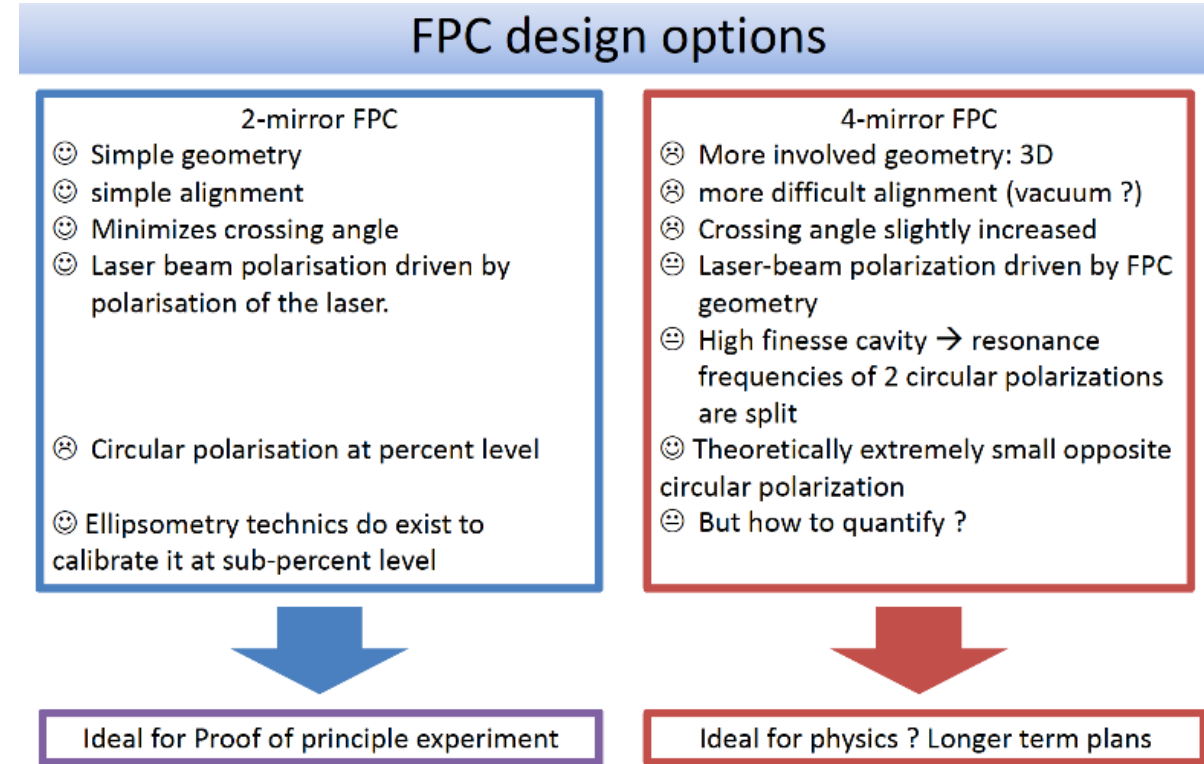
# Laser

Several parameters need to be optimized:

- Laser beam transverse sizes @ the collision point
- Laser beam pulse duration
- Laser beam Spectrum
- Crossing angle

But constraints do exist and must be accounted for:

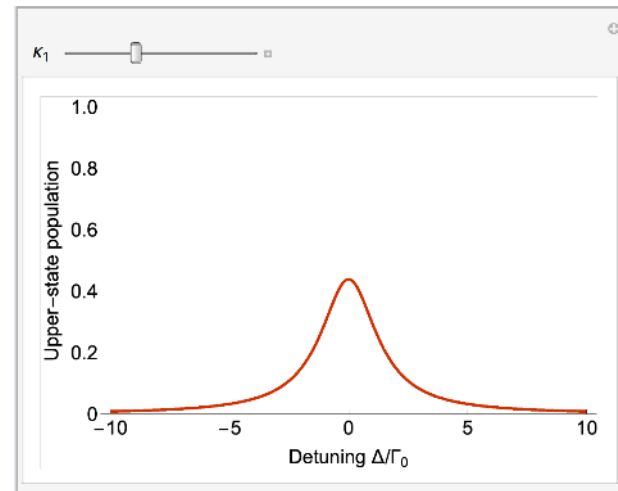
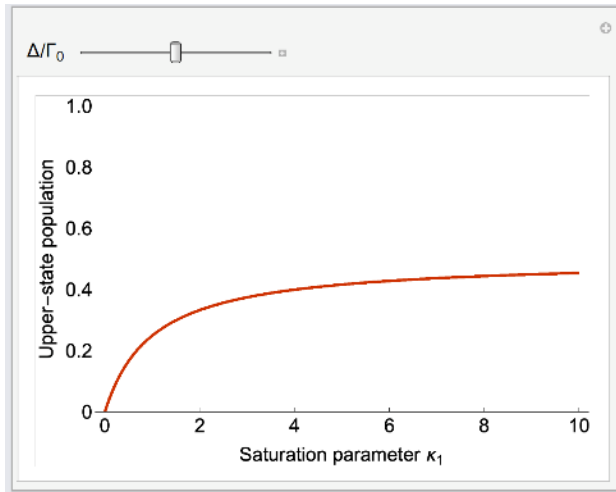
- Fabry-Perot cavity (FPC) geometry
- Laser system parameters/flexibility
- Geometrical footprint



# Efficient Excitation of Relativistic Ions

## ▣ Laser excitation

- ▣ Doppler-free cw
- ▣ cw (with Doppler broadening)
- ▣ Broadband cw
- ▣ Adiabatic fast passage



## Summary

- ▣ Different excitation techniques require different saturation intensities

### Saturation intensities:

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Grid[{"Doppler-free cw", saturationI1Lab},  
      {"cw", saturationI2Lab},  
      {"Broadband cw", saturationI3Lab},  
      {"AFP", saturationI3Lab}], Frame -> True]
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Doppler-free cw	97. W/cm <sup>2</sup>
cw	$5.84 \times 10^9$ W/cm <sup>2</sup>
Broadband cw	$7.53 \times 10^5$ W/cm <sup>2</sup>
AFP	$7.53 \times 10^5$ W/cm <sup>2</sup>

- ▣ AFP and broadband cw techniques have the same power requirements, but AFP could provide twice as many excited ions
- ▣ AFP could be implemented without needing to chirp the laser by using a diverging laser beam, so that ions experience a changing Doppler shift as they travel through the beam

# Progress

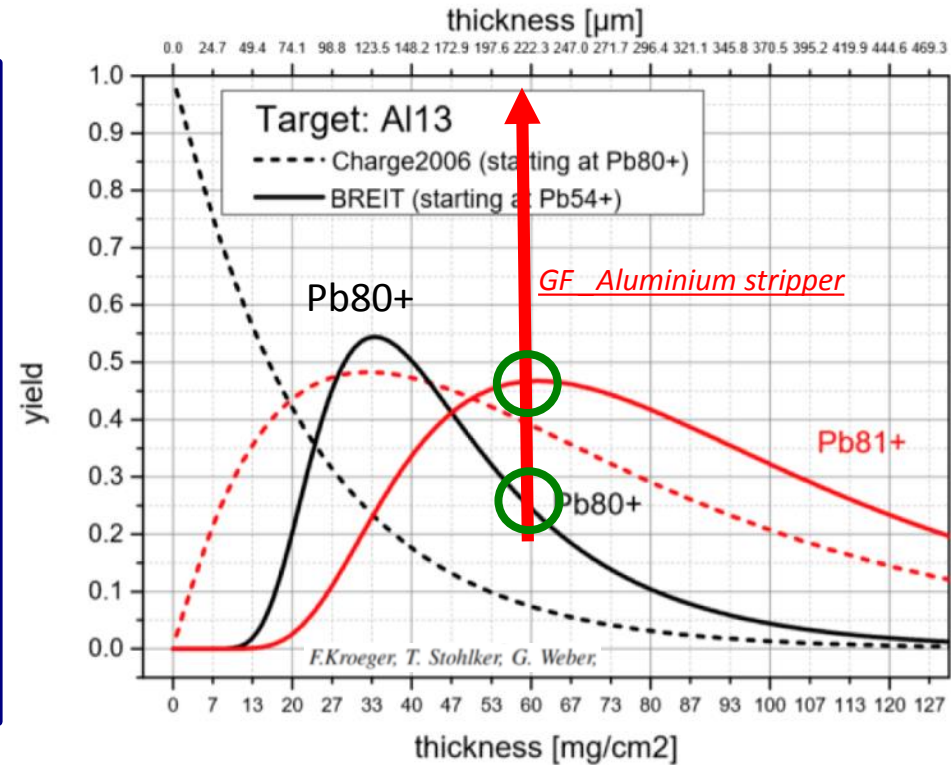
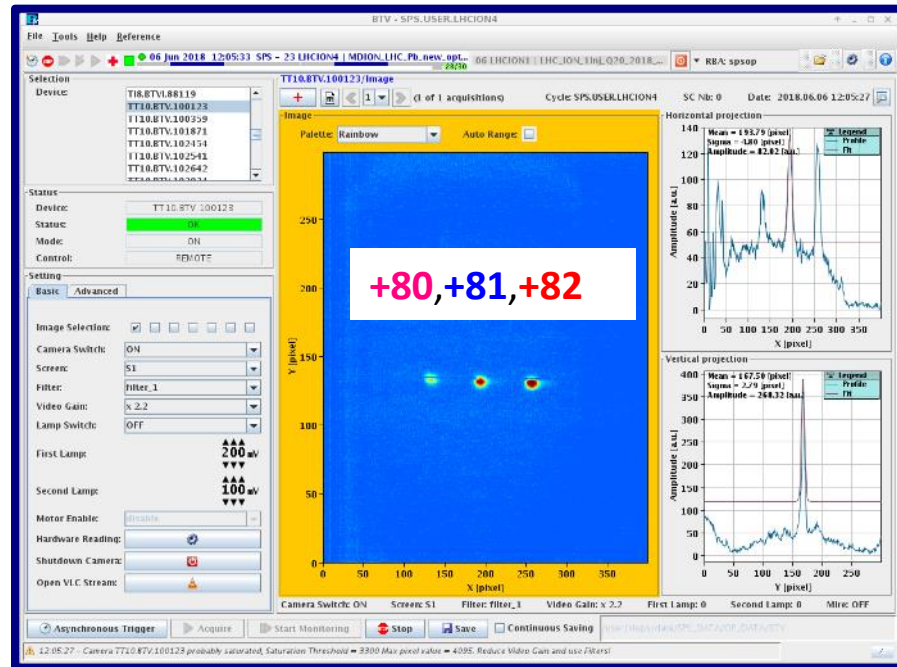


*“Are we there yet?”*

# Stripping - June 2018 Machine Development

26.01.2018

The 150 $\mu\text{m}$  ( 212 $\mu\text{m}$  crossed by the beam as installed at 45 degrees) thick Al foil has been installed on the FT16.BTV352 in the TT2 line!



BCT measurements suggest:

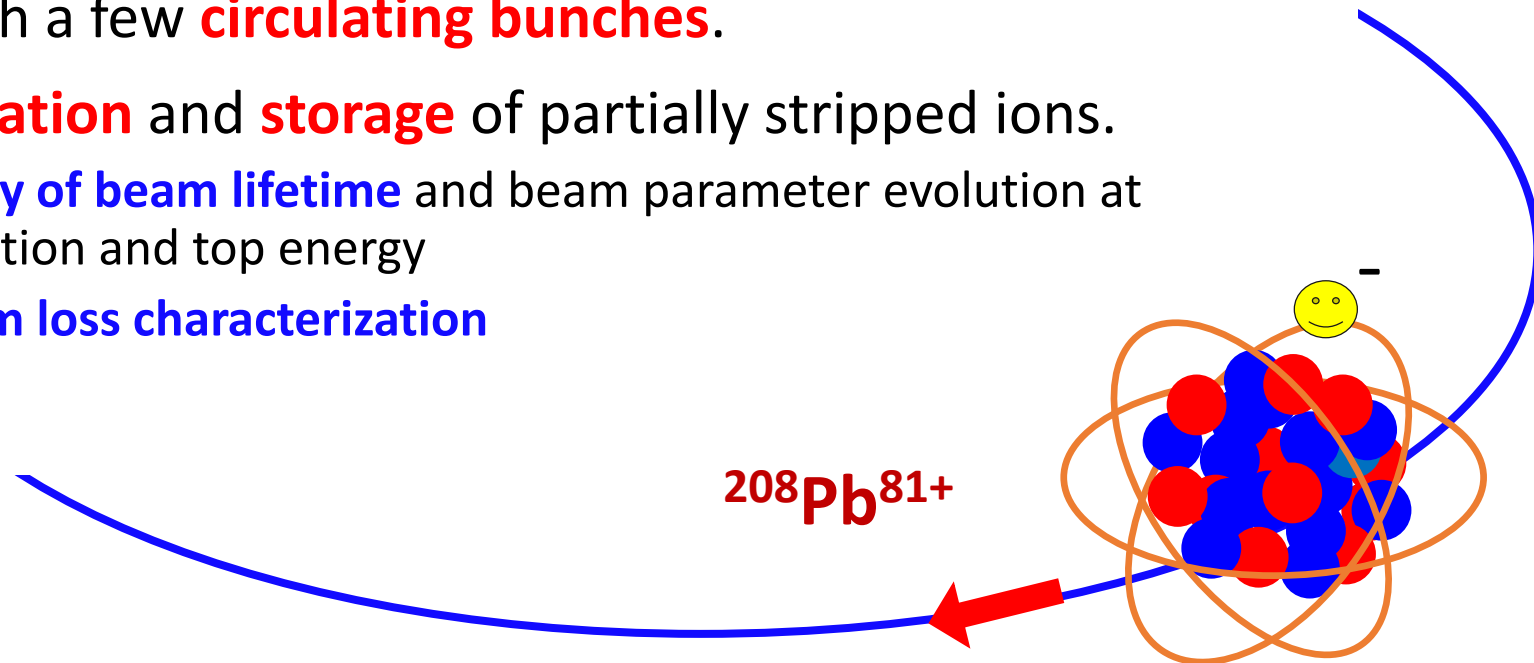
- 30% stripping efficiency for 80+
- 50% stripping efficiency for 81+



# Goals of initial test in the LHC

12 hours LHC Machine Development (MD) time on 25.07.2018

- **Inject** new particle “species” in the LHC
  - Well-known Pb-208, but with one remaining electron
- Establish a few **circulating bunches**.
- **Acceleration** and **storage** of partially stripped ions.
  - **Study of beam lifetime** and beam parameter evolution at injection and top energy
  - **Beam loss characterization**



# LHC accelerates its first "atoms"

07/27/18 | By Sarah Charley

Lead atoms with a single remaining electron circulated in the Large Hadron Collider.

<https://home.cern/about/updates/2018/07/lhc-accelerates-its-first-atoms>

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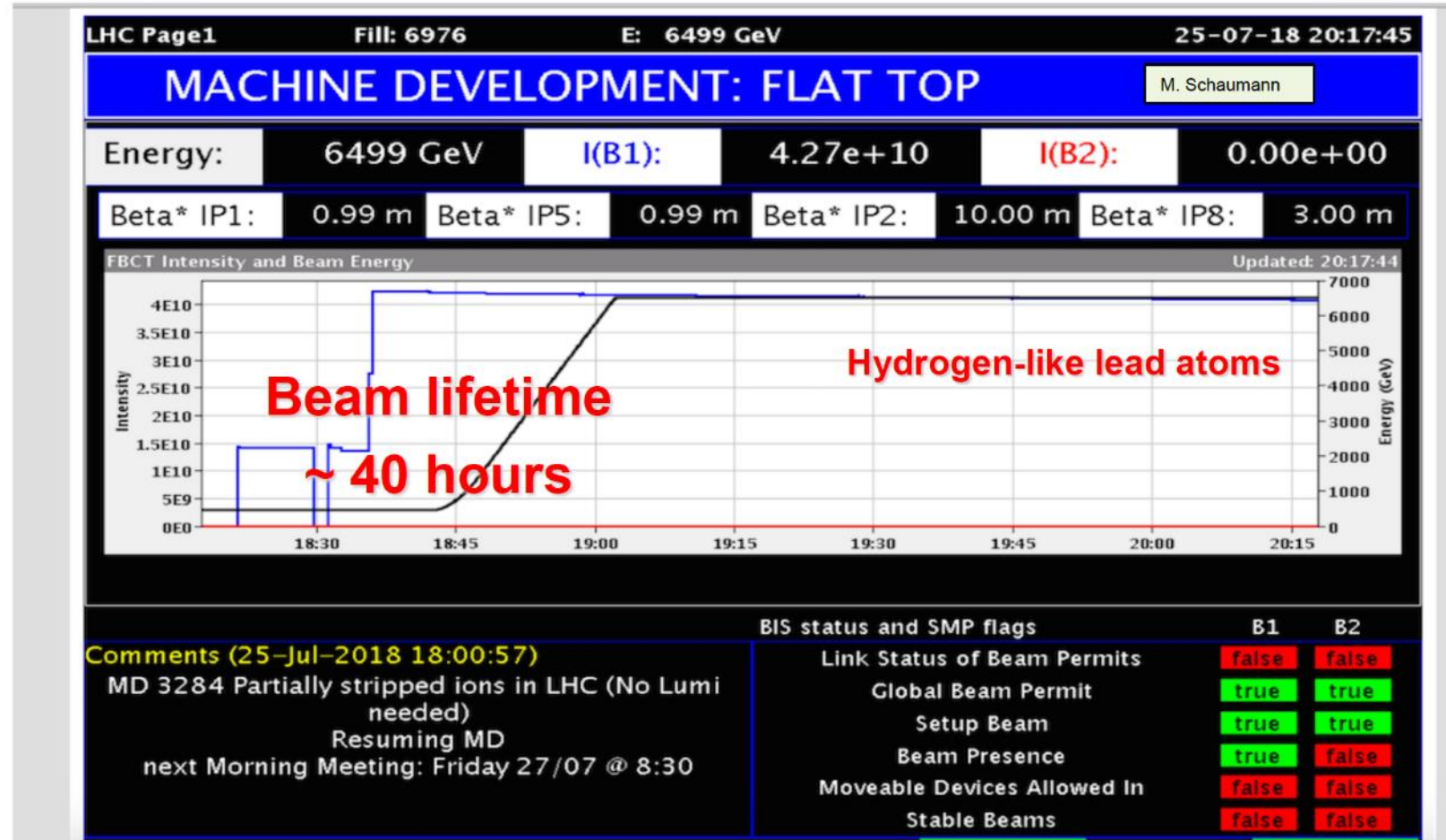
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# Results

2018 highlight: Successful production, injection, ramp and storage of the **hydrogen-like lead beam in LHC!**

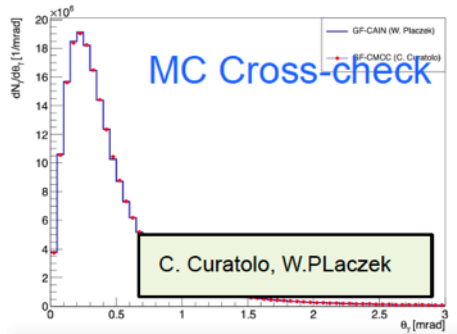
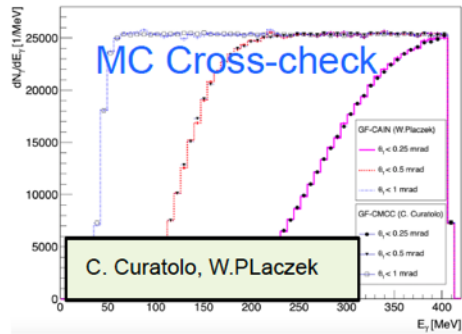


➤ **Intensity/bunch ( $\sim 7 \times 10^9$  charges), 6 bunches circulating.**

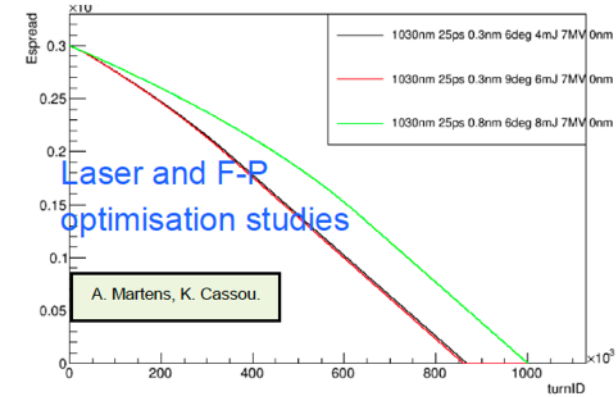
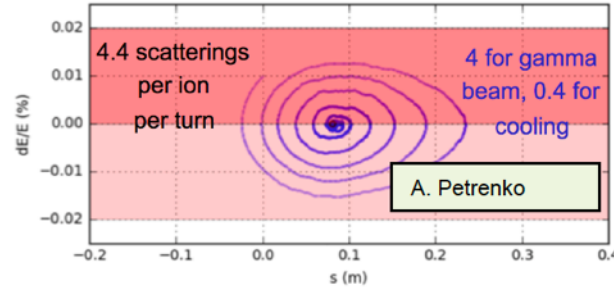
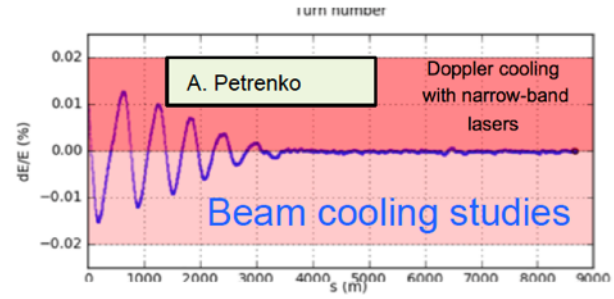
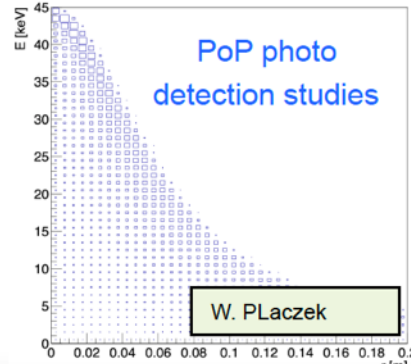
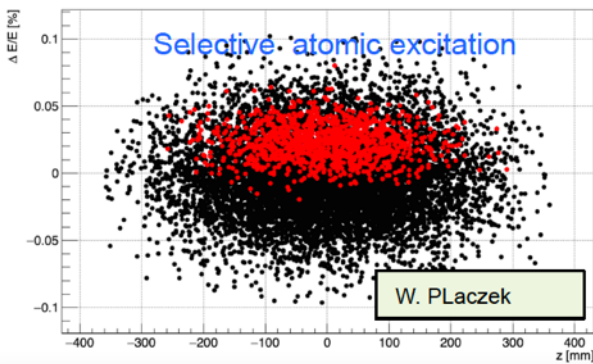
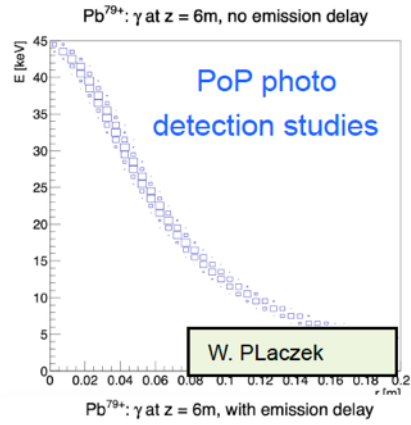
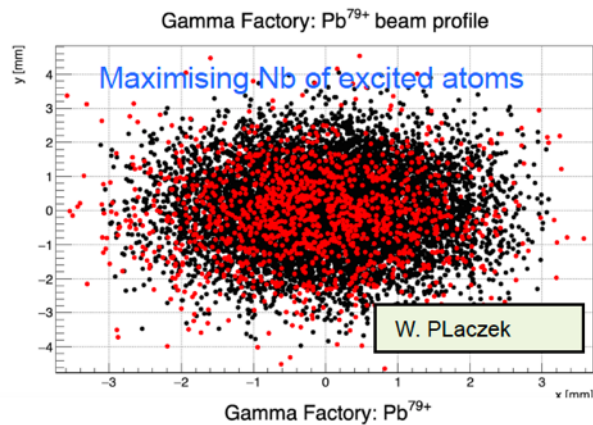
# Results

- Lifetime of Pb81+ beams have been studied in LHC at 450 GeV and 6.5 TeV proton equivalent energy.
- Main observations:
  - **dominant limit of the beam intensity is the collimation efficiency**
  - as expected, e.g. from IBS, lifetime decreases with intensity
- Lifetime decreases with storage time
  - Average lifetime at Injection: ~20h
  - Average lifetime at Flat top: ~50h
- Preliminary beam dynamic simulations including IBS, radiation damping and debunching showed promising results but more studies needed.

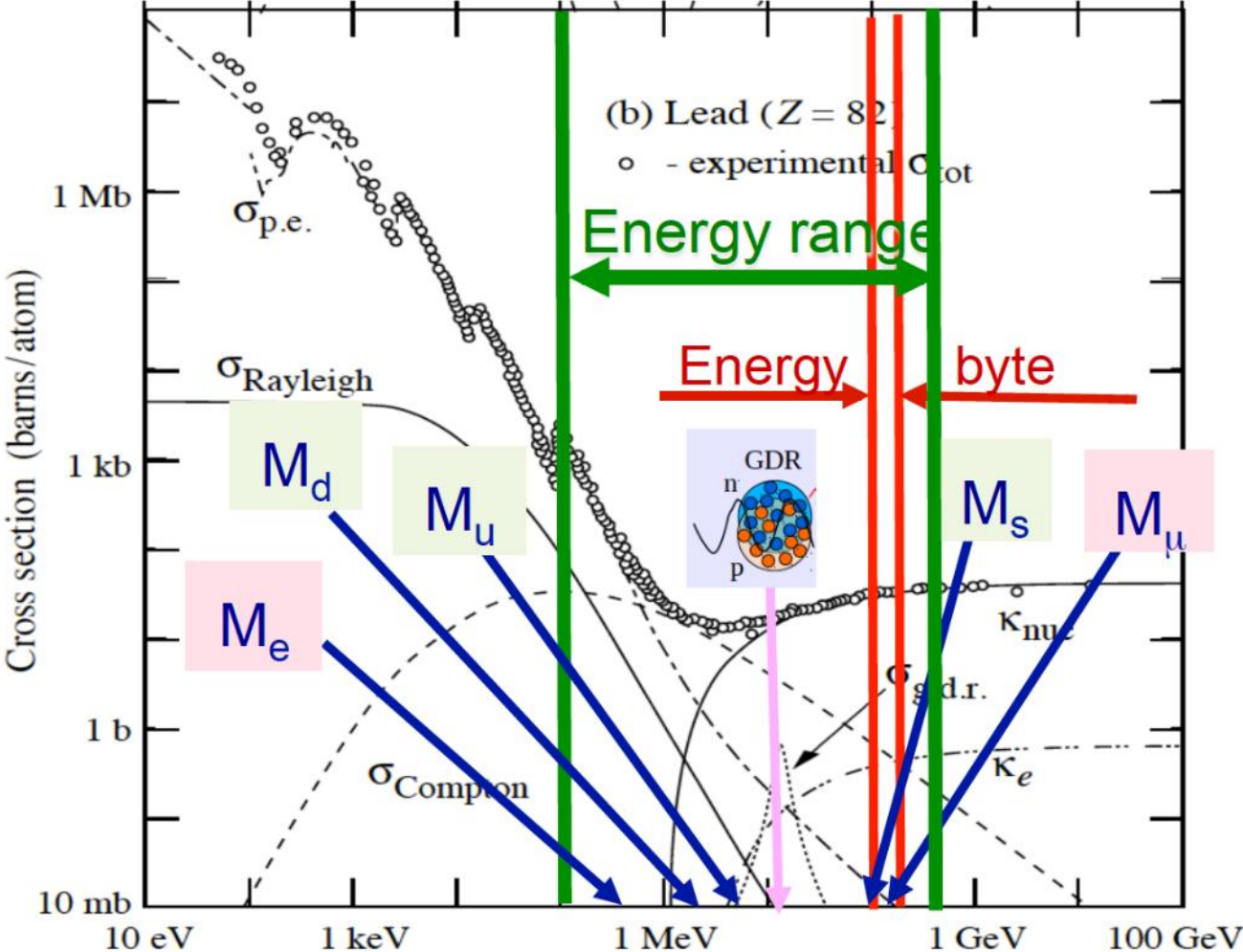
# Other ongoing studies



Alexey, Wiesiek, Camilla, Aurelien, Sibahn, Slava, Inga, Felix,



# Potential



## The expected magnitude of the $\gamma$ -source intensity leap

### Electrons:

$$\sigma_e = 8\pi/3 \times r_e^2$$

$r_e$  - classical electron radius

### Partially Stripped Ions:

$$\sigma_{\text{res}} = \lambda_{\text{res}}^2 / 2\pi$$

$\lambda_{\text{res}}$  - photon wavelength in the ion rest frame

### Electrons:

$$\sigma_e = 6.6 \times 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^2$$

### Partially Stripped Ions:

$$\sigma_{\text{res}} = 5.9 \times 10^{-16} \text{ cm}^2$$

Numerical example:  $\lambda_{\text{laser}} = 1540 \text{ nm}$

**~ 9 orders of magnitude difference in the cross-section**

**~ 7 orders of magnitude increase of gamma fluxes**

**Caveat: should bear in mind that relativistic electrons are somewhat easier to produce than high energy PSIs!**

# Parameters of the $\gamma$ -ray sources around the world

Doppler upshifting of intense laser sources; “monochromatic” source; intense electron beam needed

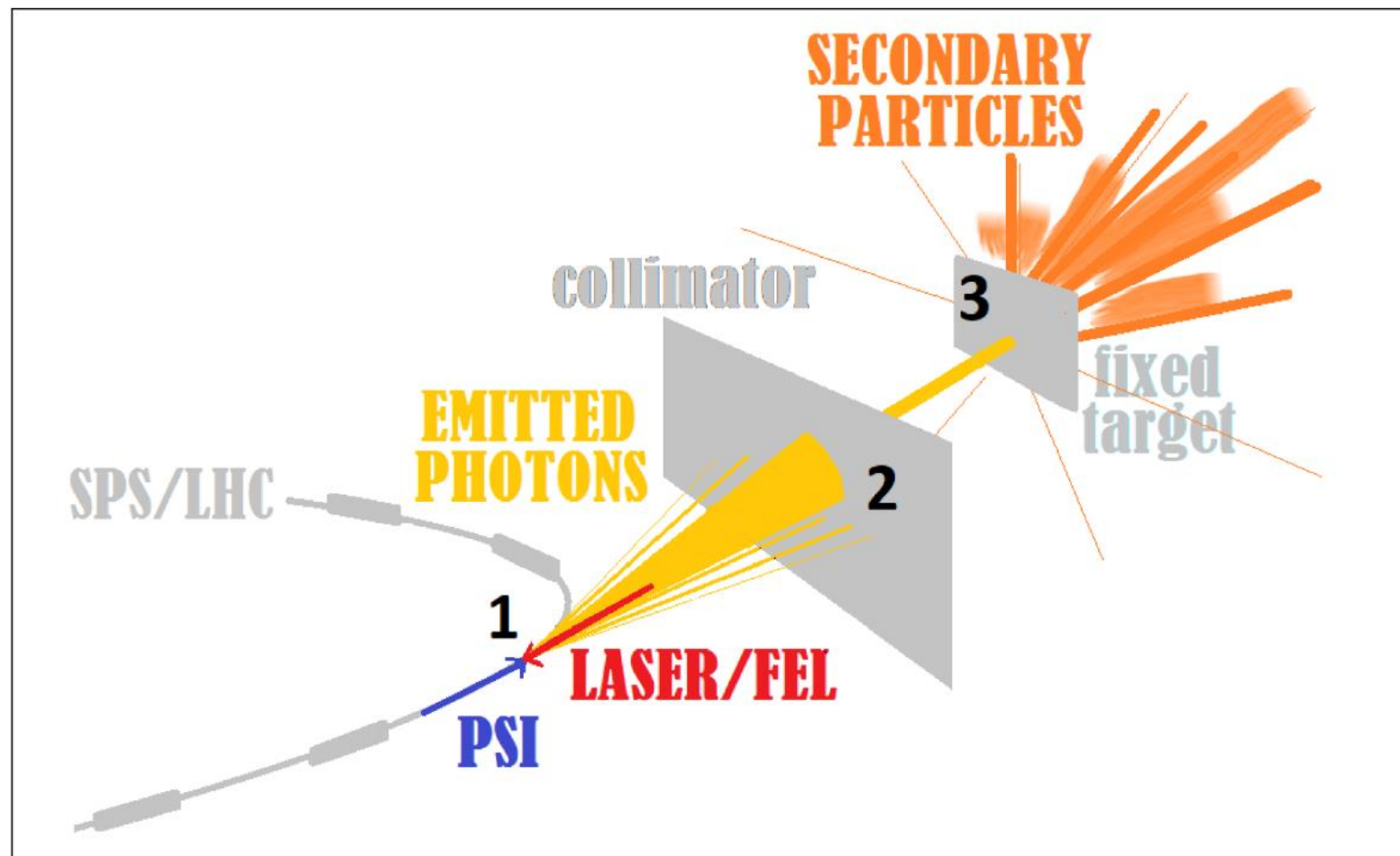
Project name	LADON <sup>a</sup>	LEGS	ROKK-1M <sup>b</sup>	GRAAL	LEPS	H $\gamma$ S <sup>c</sup>
Location	Frascati Italy	Brookhaven US	Novosibirsk Russia	Grenoble France	Harima Japan	Durham US
Storage ring	Adone	NSLS	VEPP-4M	ESRF	SPring-8	Duke-SR
Electron energy (GeV)	1.5	2.5–2.8	1.4–6.0	6	8	0.24–1.2
Laser energy (eV)	2.45	2.41–4.68	1.17–4.68	2.41–3.53	2.41–4.68	1.17–6.53
$\gamma$ -beam energy (MeV)	5–80	110–450	100–1600	550–1500	1500–2400	1–100 (158) <sup>d</sup>
Energy selection	Internal tagging	External tagging	(Int or Ext?) tagging	Internal tagging	Internal tagging	Collimation
$\gamma$ -energy resolution (FWHM)						
$\Delta E$ (MeV)	2–4	5	10–20	16	30	0.008–8.5
$\frac{\Delta E}{E}$ (%)	5	1.1	1–3	1.1	1.25	0.8–10
E-beam current (A)	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1–0.2	0.01–0.1
Max on-target flux ( $\gamma/s$ )	$5 \times 10^5$	$5 \times 10^6$	$10^6$	$3 \times 10^6$	$5 \times 10^6$	$10^4$ – $5 \times 10^8$
Max total flux ( $\gamma/s$ )						$10^6$ – $3 \times 10^9$
Years of operation	1978–1993	1987–2006	1993–	1995–	1998–	1996–

The Gamma Factory goal: achieve comparable fluxes in the MeV domain as those in the KeV domain – e.g. those of the DESY XFEL:

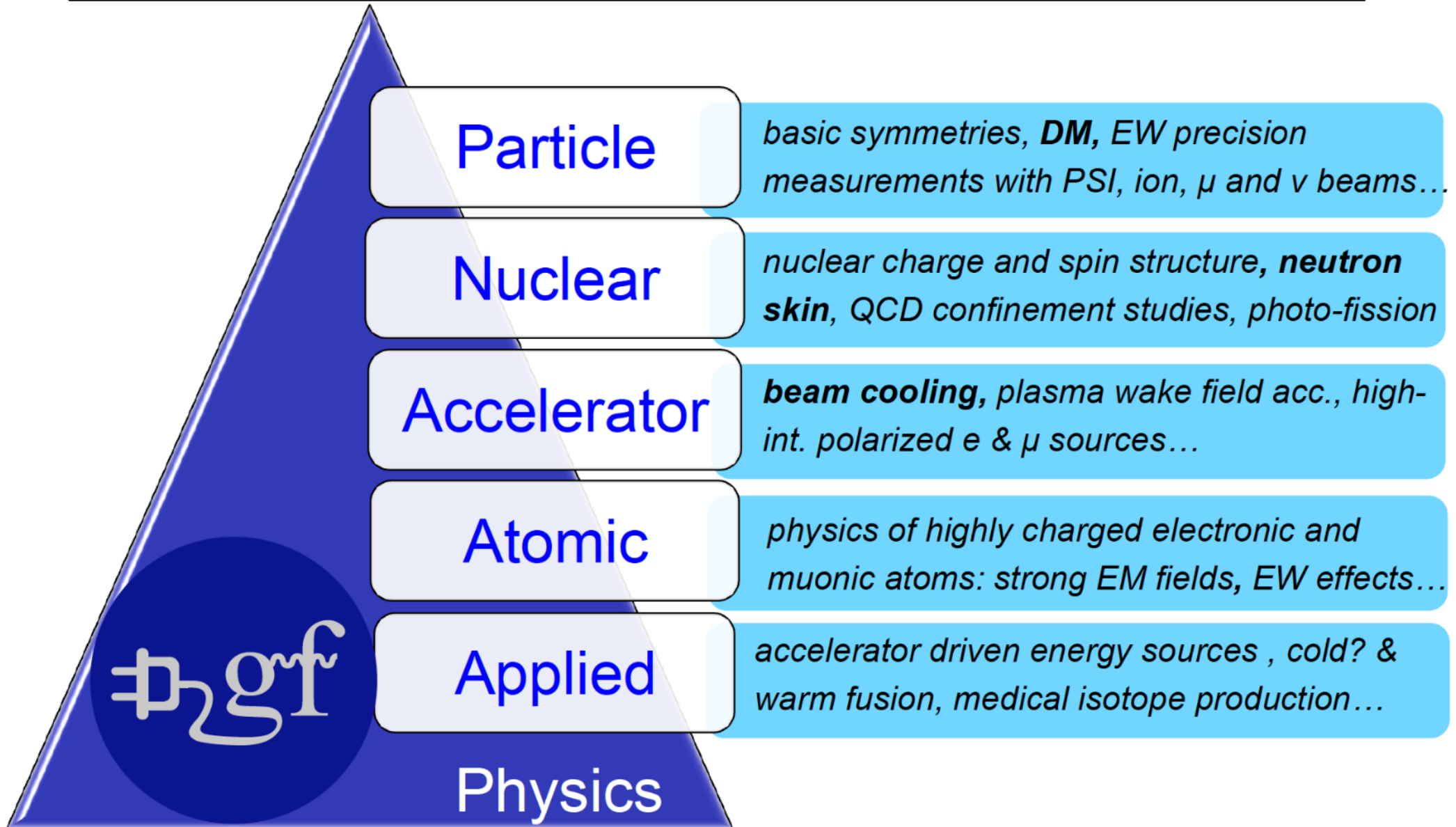
(DESY FEL: photons/pulse --  $10^{11}$ - $10^{13}$ , pulses/second – 10-5000  $\rightarrow$   **$10^{12}$  –  $10^{17}$  photons/s**)

**An intensity jump of up to 3-8 orders of magnitude required !**

# Gamma Factory



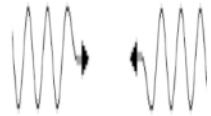
# Gamma Factory research programme targets





# Collider schemes

## collider schemes:



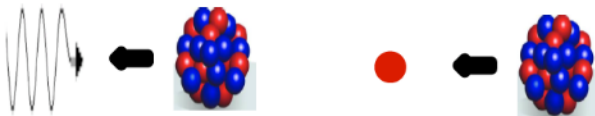
$\gamma$ - $\gamma$  collisions,

$E_{CM} = 0.1 - 800$  MeV



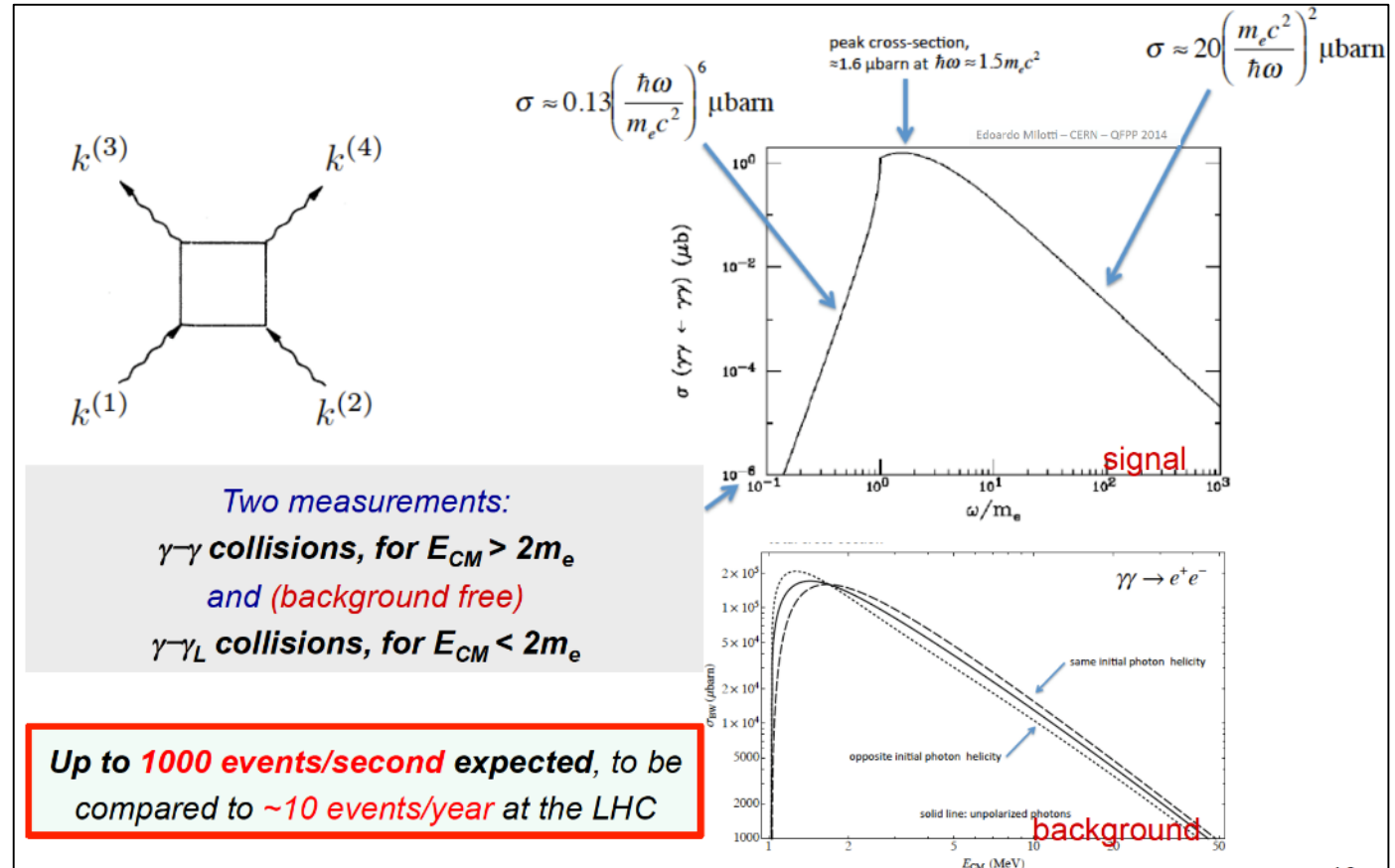
$\gamma$ - $\gamma_L$  collisions,

$E_{CM} = 1 - 100$  keV



$\gamma$ -p(A), ep(A) collisions,

$E_{CM} = 4 - 200$  GeV

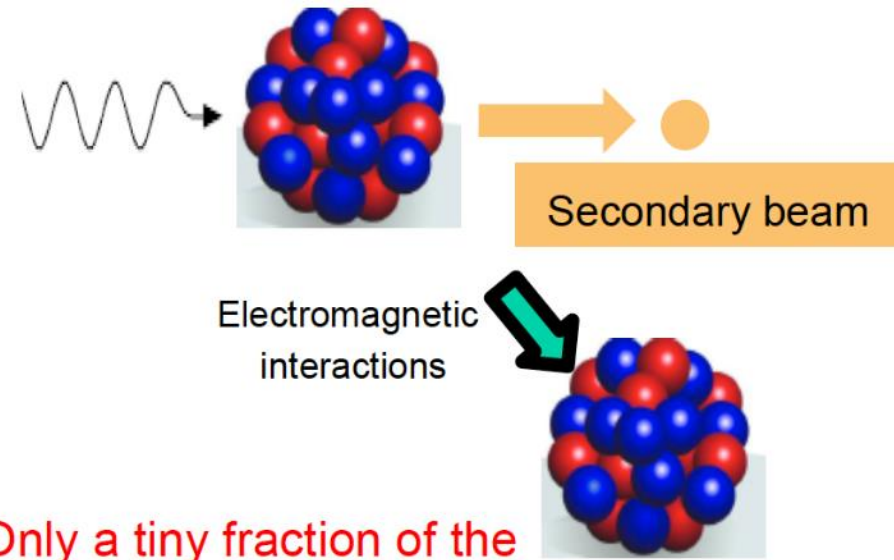


# Secondary beams

## secondary beam sources:



- **polarised electrons,**
- **polarised positrons**
- **polarised muons**
- **neutrinos**
- **neutrons**
- **vector mesons**
- **radioactive nuclei**



Only a tiny fraction of the primary beam energy is wasted!

# Initial estimates for secondary beam sources

- **Polarised positrons**

- up to  $10^{17}/s$

- **Polarised muons and neutrinos**

- low emittance beams for muon collider, high purity neutrino beams
- up to  $10^{12}/s$  and up to  $4 \times 10^{19}/\text{year}$

- **Neutrons**

- GDR in heavy nuclei:  $\gamma + A \rightarrow A - 1 + n$
- up to  $10^{15} /s$ , mono-energetic

- **Radioactive ions**

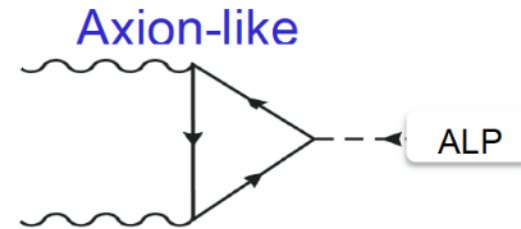
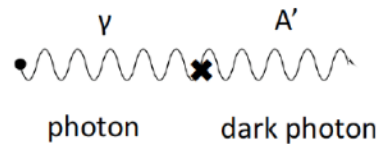
- photo-fission  $\gamma + A \rightarrow A_1 + A_2 + n$
- up to  $10^{14} /s$

For the quoted flux the RF voltage would need to be increased and/or number of stored ions increased by a factor 2 to 3

## 5. The unique Gamma Factory DM search opportunities in the region of interest

Principal portals accesible :

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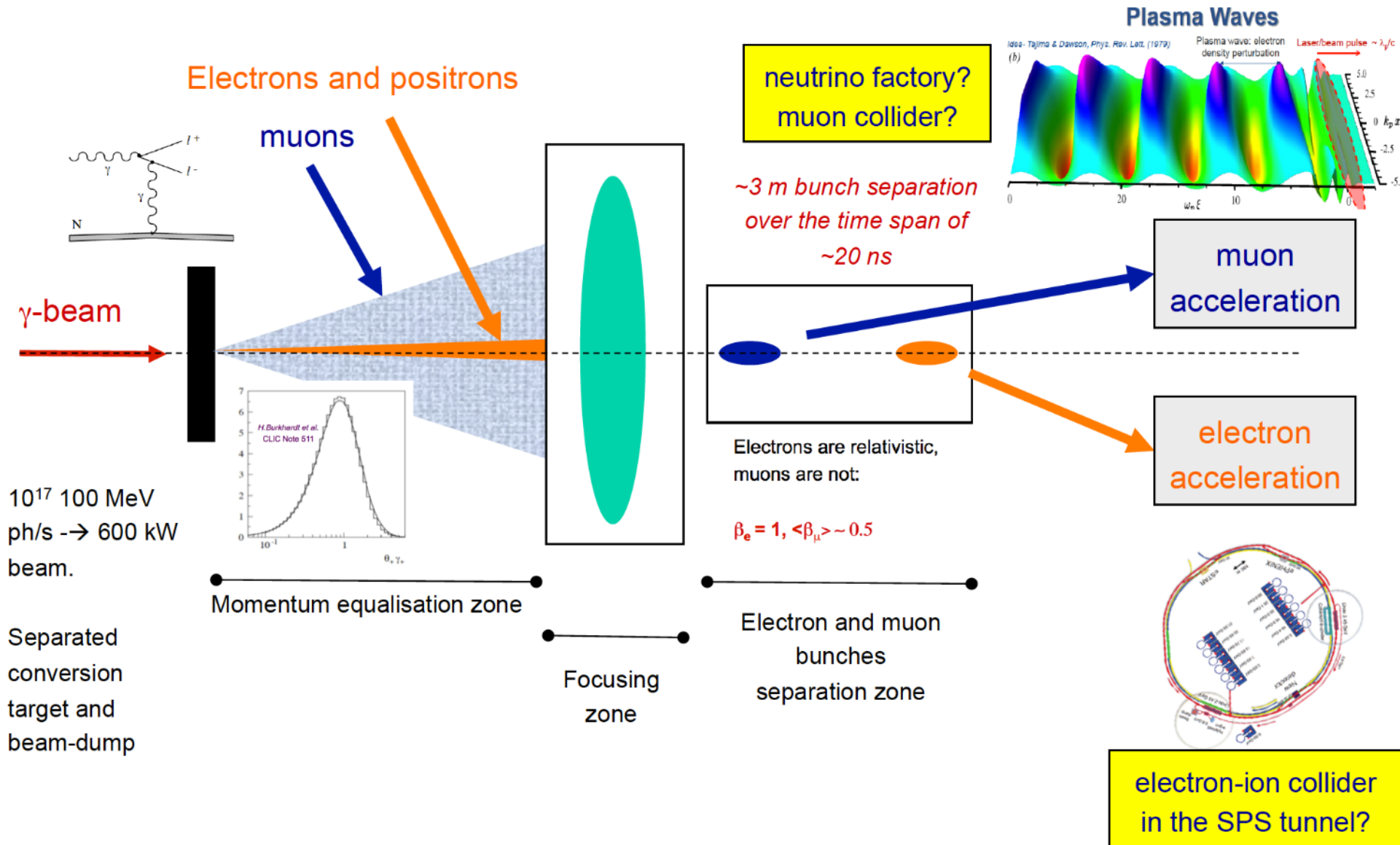


*A very wide mass region (1 keV - 800 MeV) and a wide range of the production cross sections (down to the  $O(1)$  fb region) can be explored*

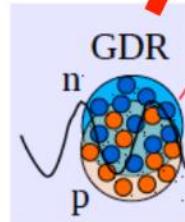
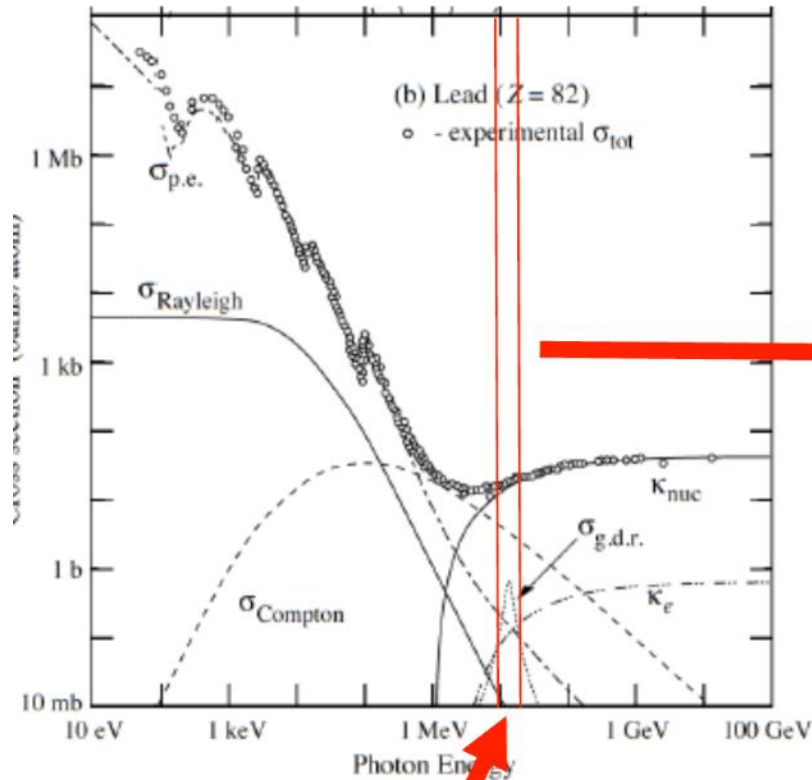
Search sensitivity leap:

1. *Beam intensity for the beam dump type of experiment: **up to  $10^{24}$  /year of dumped photons** (the SHIP yardstick:  $10^{19}$  protons/year on target)*
2. *A comfortable timing structure of gamma beams ( $\sim 10$  MHz )*
3. *Direct Searches with a broad-band colliding gamma beams can be followed by dedicated resonance region investigations with a very narrow band beam*

# 6. and 7. New research opportunities with a high intensity polarised lepton-beam source ((6)electrons and (7) muons)



# 9. The nuclear physics research opportunities



GDR=Giant Dipole Resonance

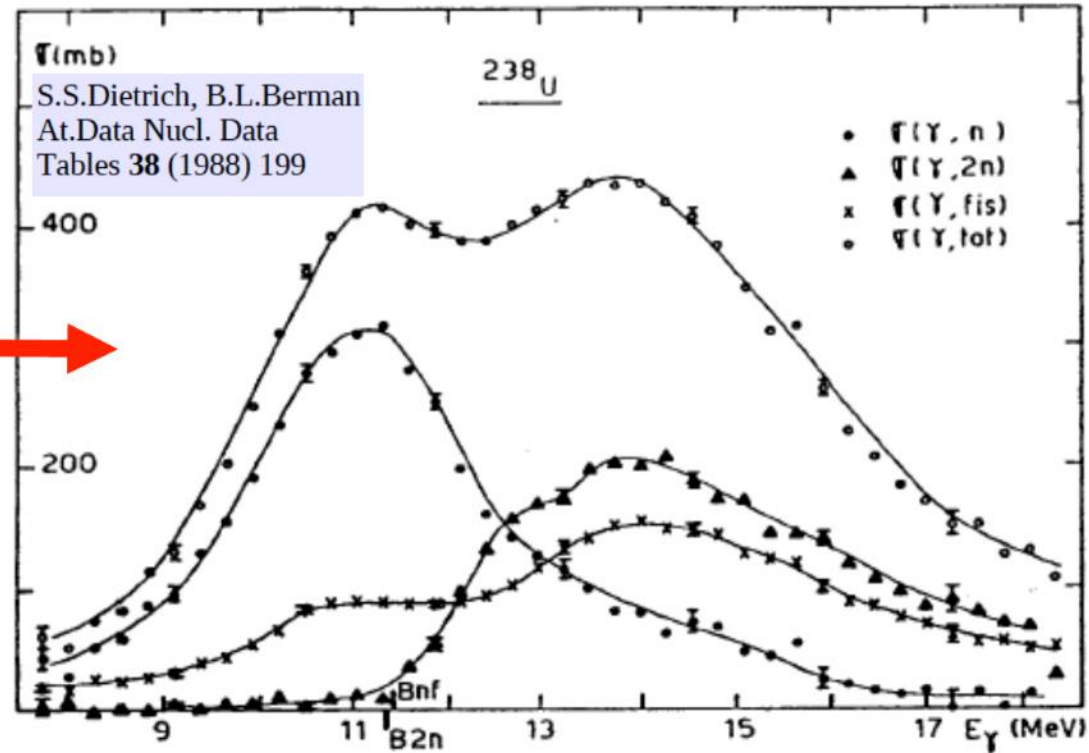


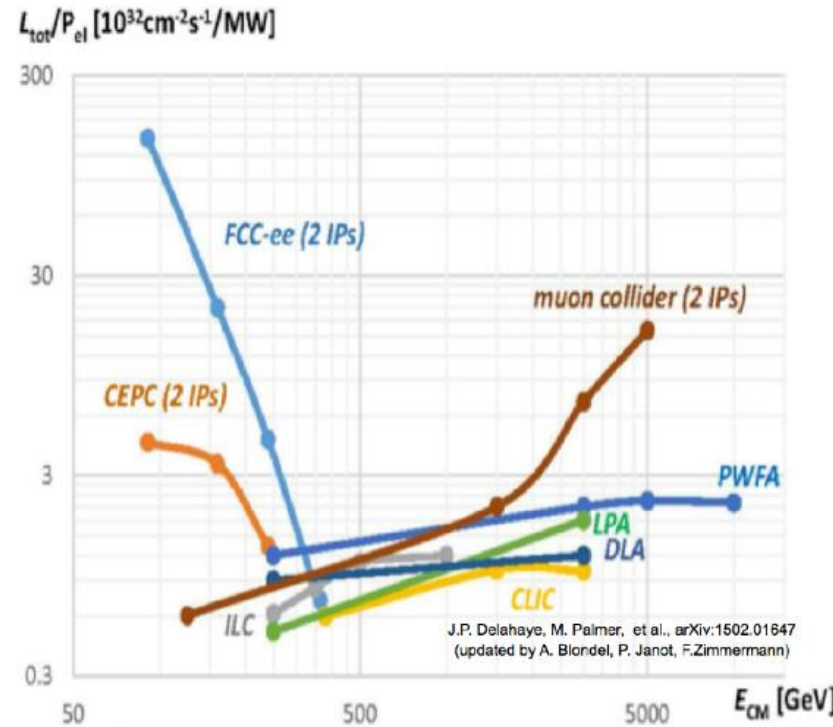
Figure 1. Partial and total photonuclear cross sections  $(\gamma, n)$ ,  $(\gamma, 2n)$ ,  $(\gamma, f)$ , and  $(\gamma, tot)$  for  $U^{238}$ .

*The Gamma Factory production rate:*

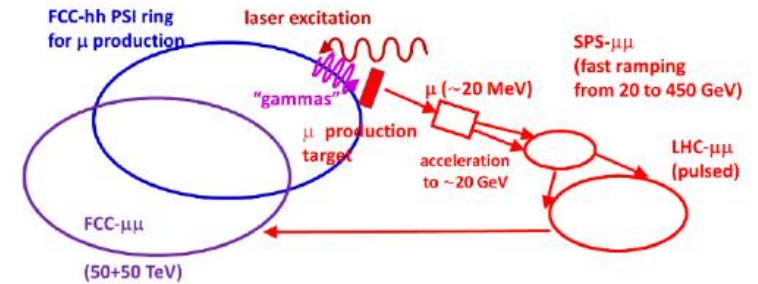
- primary neutrons **up to  $10^{15}$  1/s**
- fission products **up to  $10^{14}$  1/s**

# Example: Variants of 100 TeV muon colliders based on the FCC and Gamma Factory concepts

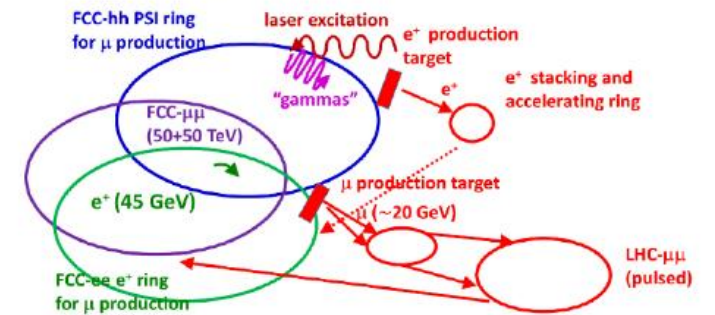
- Active interest in the possibility of a muon collider
- Big challenge is the production of intense, low emittance muons beams:
  - Proton driver
  - LEMMA (45 GeV positron ring → ...)



For the CM-energies above 2 TeV (10 fold increase w.r.t LEP) a muon collider appears to be the only way to achieve a requisite luminosity with reasonable wall power consumption



100 TeV  $\mu$  collider FCC- $\mu\mu$  with FCC-hh PSI  $e^+$  & FCC-ee  $\mu^\pm$  production



## LHC/FCC-BASED MUON COLLIDERS\*

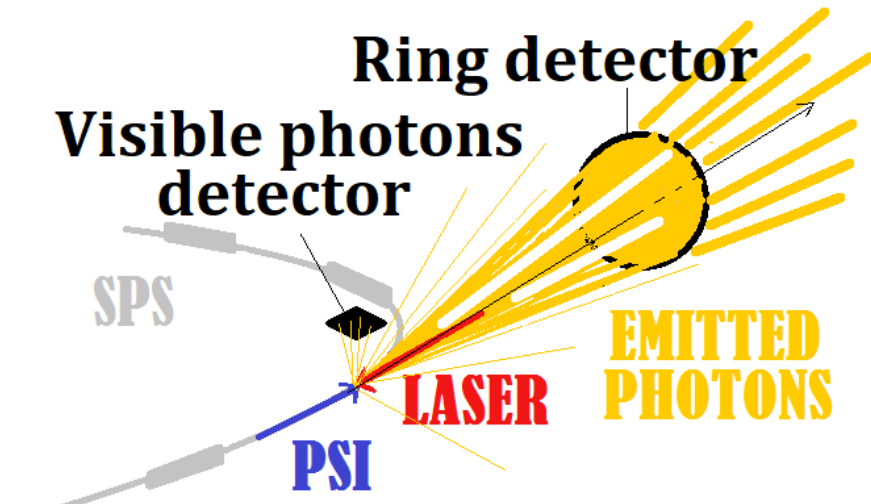
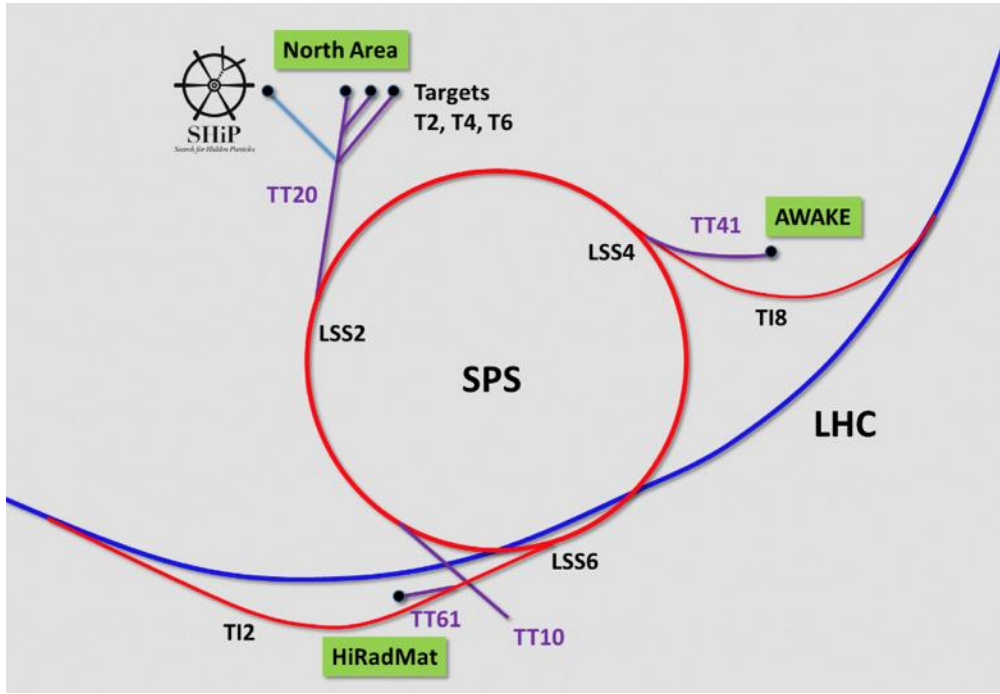
F. Zimmermann<sup>†</sup>, CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

# Phasing in

- GF potential looks impressive, however investment for full-scale implementation is in competition with existing, and proposed, projects
- Staged approach to demonstrate full-scale feasibility...

Scenario	Ion beam	$E_\gamma$ (max)	
S1	Li-like Pb in LHC ( $2s \rightarrow 3p$ ) <sub>1/2</sub>	87 MeV	Minimal interference with ion programme
S2	Li-like Pb in LHC ( $2s \rightarrow 2p$ ) <sub>3/2</sub>	15 MeV	Minimal interference with ion programme
S3	H-like Xe ( $1 \rightarrow 2p$ ) <sub>1/2</sub>	182 MeV	Going to highest gamma energies GF high energy frontier – DM searches
S4	He-like Ca ( $1s \rightarrow 2p$ ) <sub>3/2</sub>	26 MeV	GF high intensity frontier – Nuclear Physics & Applied Physics
S5a	Li-like Ca ( $2s \rightarrow 3p$ ) <sub>1/2</sub> (SPS)		SPS cooling, followed by Ca-Ca collisions in the LHC $L_{\text{Ca-Ca}} = 6.2 \times 10^{31} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ – present program
S5b	H-like Pb (say)		LHC electron-proton collisions – present program





Next Step: Proof of Principle - SPS

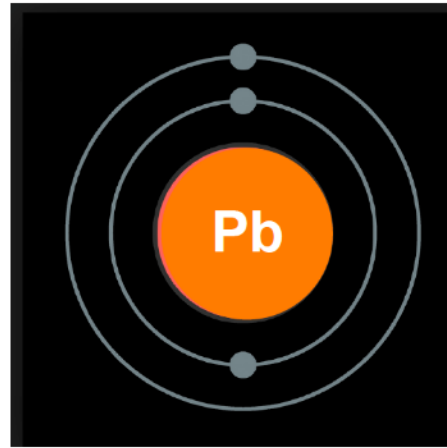
# Main objectives

- Verify of **simulations on rate of atomic excitation**
  - Demonstrate matching of characteristics of ion bunches to those of the laser bunches, match laser spectrum to width of the atomic excitation and **achieve resonance for adequate fraction of ion population**
  - **Measure emitted X-rays**, characterisation of flux and spectrum, and demonstration of photon extraction from the collision zone
  - Demonstrate **integration and operation of laser and Fabry-Perot cavity** in a hadron storage ring
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- Demonstrate laser cooling of relativistic beams and investigation of the different approaches
  - Demonstrate feasibility of relativistic Atomic Physics measurements.
- Ambition/complexity/cost cut-off*

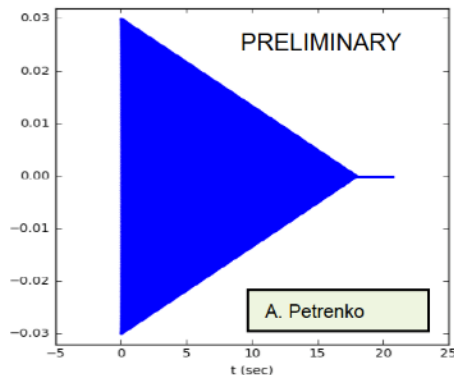
# Choice of ion for PoP experiment

## ➤ *Lithium-like Lead: Pb+79*

- ATOMIC GROUND STATE:  $1s^2 2s^1 \ ^2S_{1/2}$
- CHOICE OF EXCITED STATE:  $1s^2 2p^1 \ ^2P_{1/2}$
- TRANSITION ENERGY:  $E = 230.76 \text{ eV}$
- LIFETIME (excited state):  $\tau = 76 \text{ ps}$
- ION LORENTZ FACTOR:  $\gamma_L = 96$
- PULSED LASER:  $\lambda_{\text{laser}} = 1030 \text{ nm}$

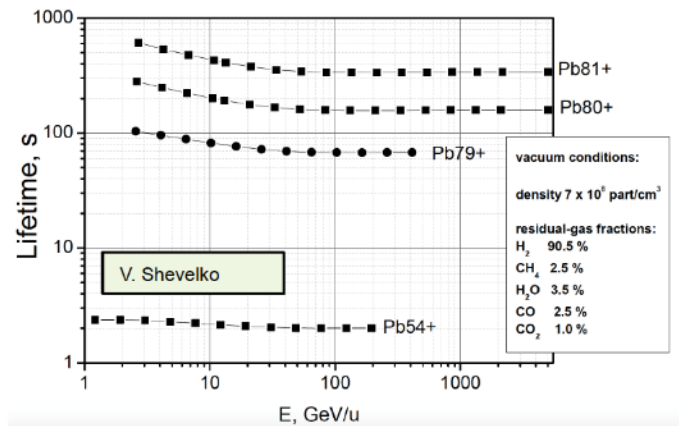


Cooling time in the SPS  
(~1 photon absorption/revolution/ion)



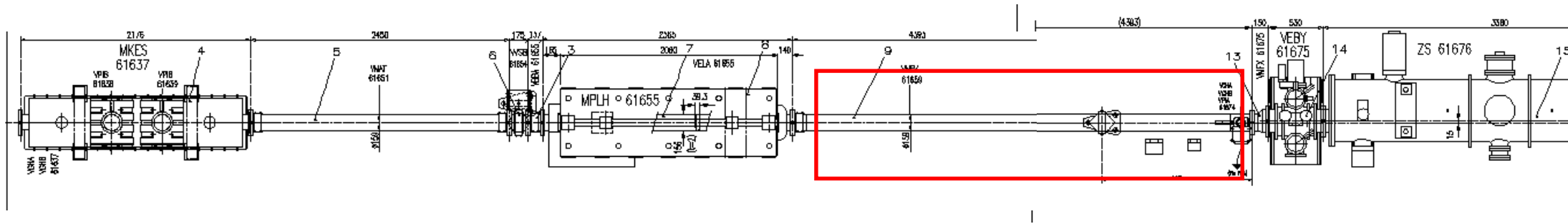
$\tau_{\text{cooling}} < \tau_{\text{beam}}$

Pb+79 beam life-time in the SPS



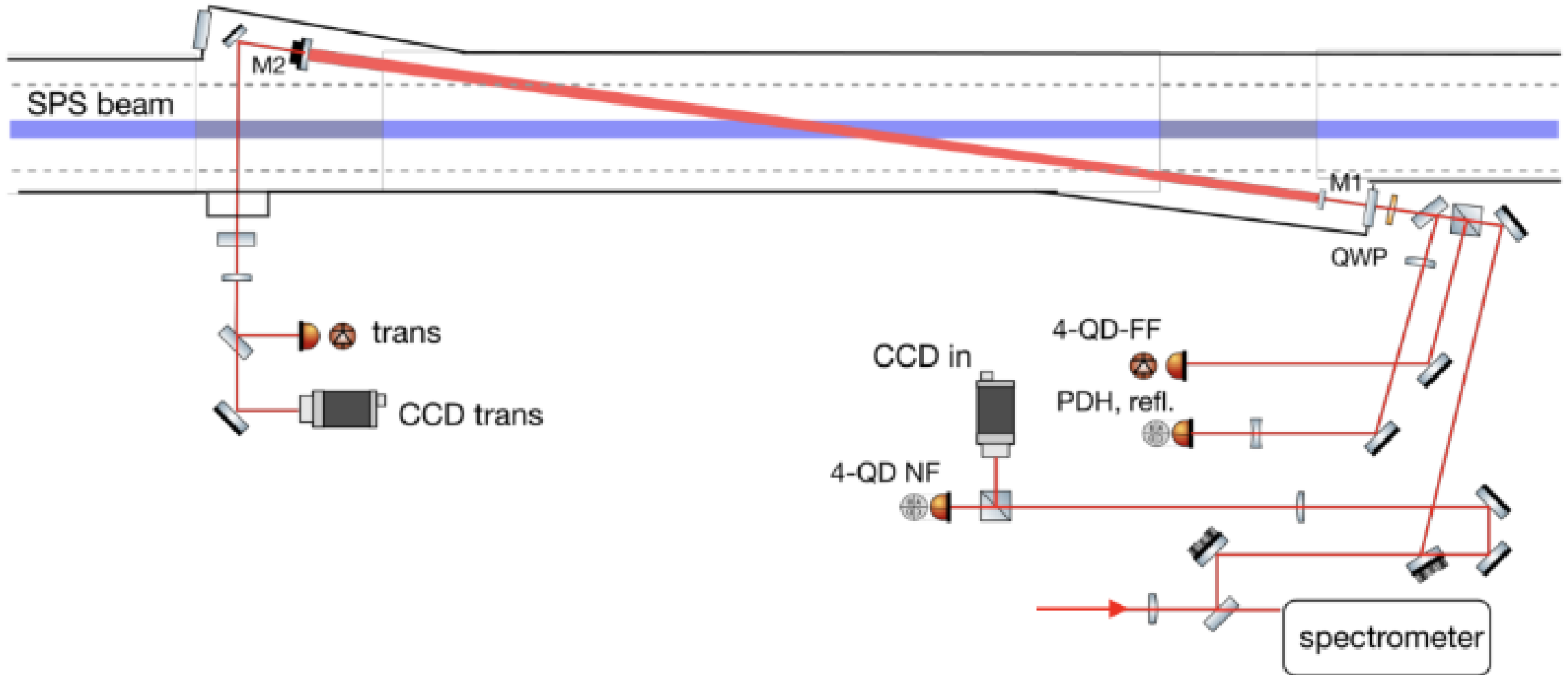
Parameter	Value
crossing angle	2.6°
Ion magnetic rigidity	787 T m
Ion $\gamma$ factor	96.3
Ion beam horizontal RMS size at IP	1.3 mm
Ion beam vertical RMS size at IP	0.8 mm
Ion revolution frequency	43.4 kHz
Laser photon energy	1.2 eV
Laser frequency	40 MHz
Laser pulse energy	5 mJ
Ion $2s_{1/2} \rightarrow 2p_{1/2}$ transition energy	230.8 eV
Maximum energy of back scattered photon	44.5 keV

# Laser-PSI interaction region: tentatively SPS LSS6



- About 4.4 m flange-flange between MPLH and ZS (VV)
- 2.6 degree cavity, **4 mJ** laser pulse energy at IR

# FP cavity on SPS beam (vertical crossing?)

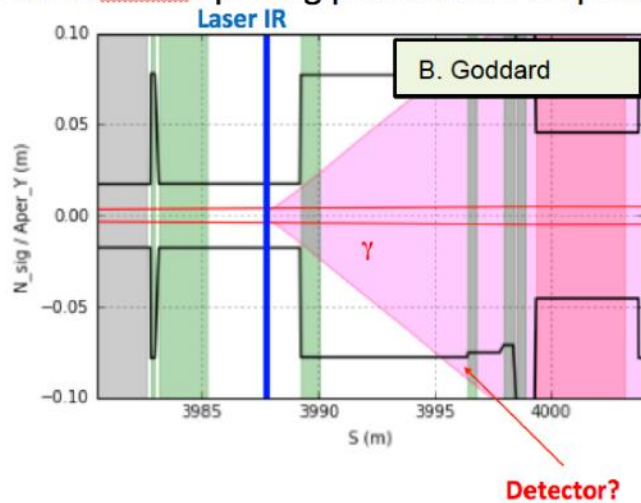


# Diagnostics

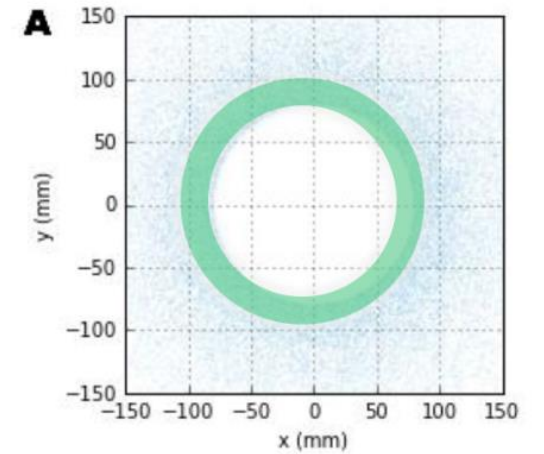
- Measure beam overlap
- Measure X-ray photon beam properties
- Measure beam cooling

Large flux of x-ray photons in  $> 10$  keV range after 10 m

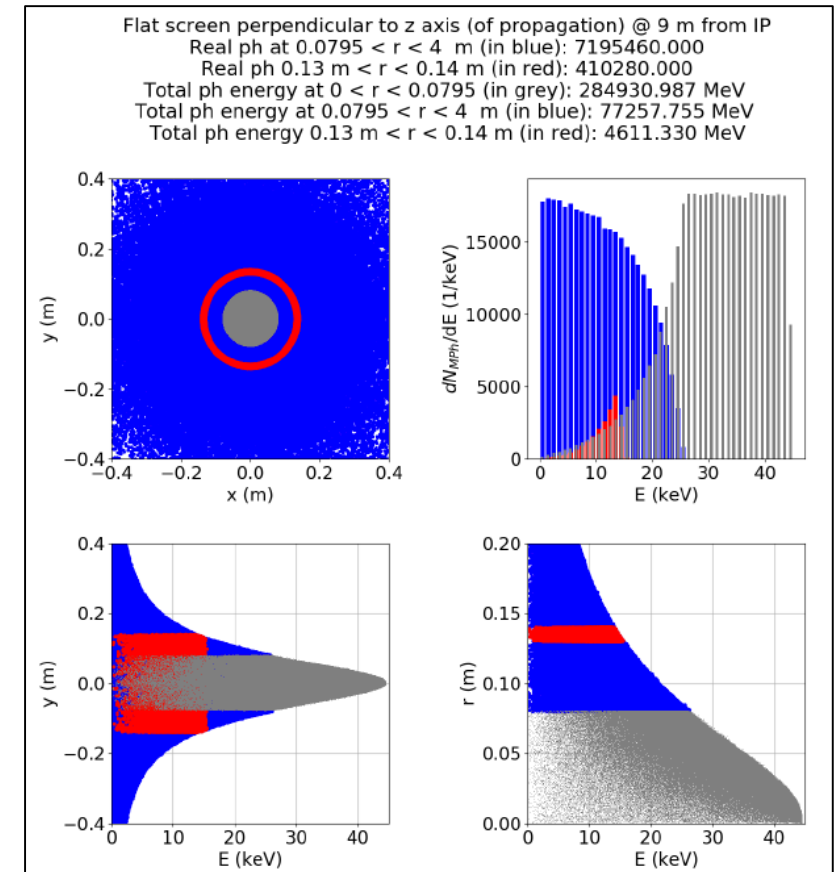
- X-ray cone with 11 mrad opening plotted in SPS aperture



Assuming a ring shaped detector (transverse size 1cm) located around the beam ( $d=80$  mm)



## Photon Flux

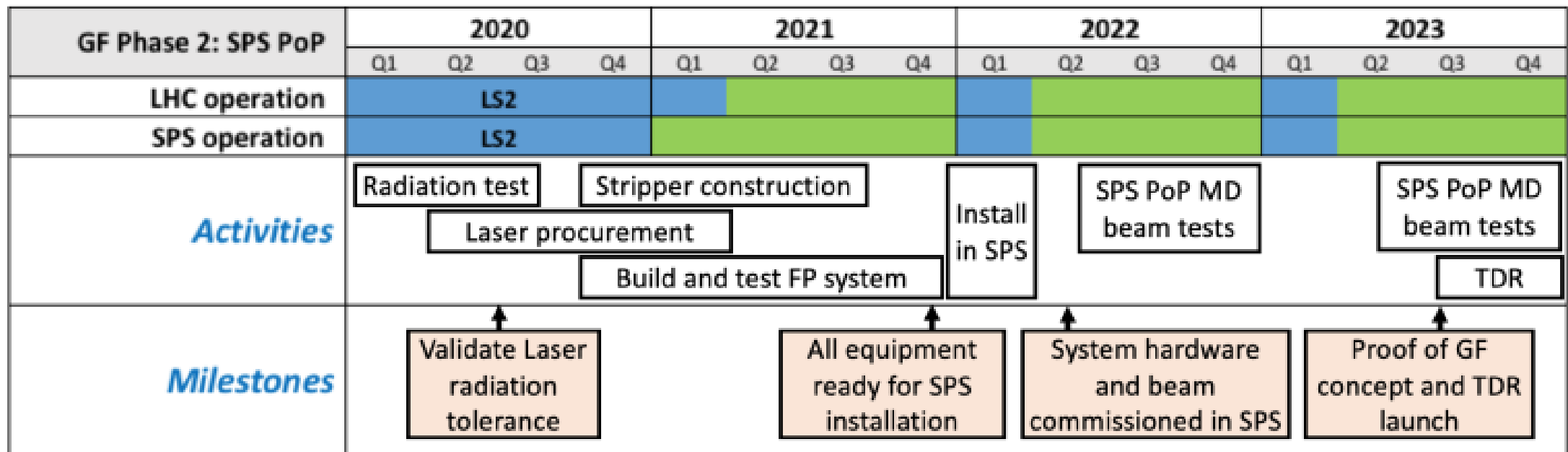


# Status / open questions!

- Ion species and transition: defined (pb79+, 2s→2p)
- Ion beam parameters: defined
- IR location: identified (IR6). Confirm?
- SPS optical parameters: Defined (for LSS6)
- IR layout & FP design: proposed 2.6 deg crossing.
- Laser characteristics: in progress.
- Timing & synchronisation aspects: in progress
- Radiation aspects: 2018 dosimetry measurements: in progress
- Simulation benchmarking: in progress
- Parameter list (including uncertainties): in progress
- Emitted photon distribution  $f(t)$ : in progress
- PSI beam 6D evolution  $f(t)$ : in progress
- Detector requirements: in progress
- Experimental procedures: in progress
- Atomic physics prospects: to define

# PoP Deadlines: phase 2

- Systems ready for installation: End December 2021 (30 months)
- Beam tests: 2022 and 2023

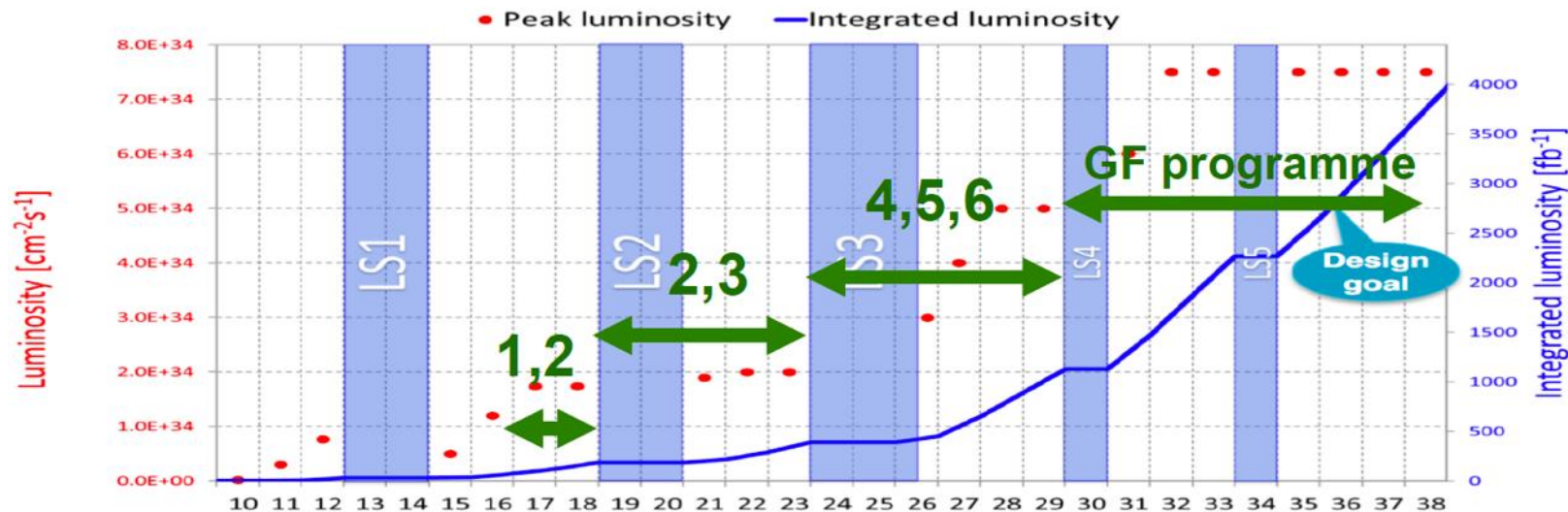


**Fig. 2:** The timeline of the Gamma Factory SPS PoP experiment, Phase 2 activities – years 2020–2023.



# Gamma Factory Project Milestones

1. Production, acceleration and storage of “atomic beams” at CERN
2. Development “ex nihilo” the requisite Gamma Factory software tools.
3. Proof-of-Principle experiment in the SPS tunnel.
4. Realistic assessment of the Gamma Factory performance figures.
5. Physics highlights of the Gamma Factory based research program.
6. Gamma Factory TDR





# Conclusions

- Over the last 1.5 years the Gamma Factory initial ideas developed into a well defined project involving a group of around 50 physicists.
- Progress has been impressive. The next steps are clear.
- The target of the GF initiative is to develop the potential of a variety of novel research tools which could potentially open new opportunities in a broad domain of basic and applied science.
- It's an interesting phase for accelerator based HEP research – **with no strong theoretical guidance for the mass scale of new physics, nor a mature, affordable technology for a leap into high energy “terra incognita”** – high risk, high gain initiatives become important.

**This what we should be doing!**