



# Accelerator Driven Systems (ADS)

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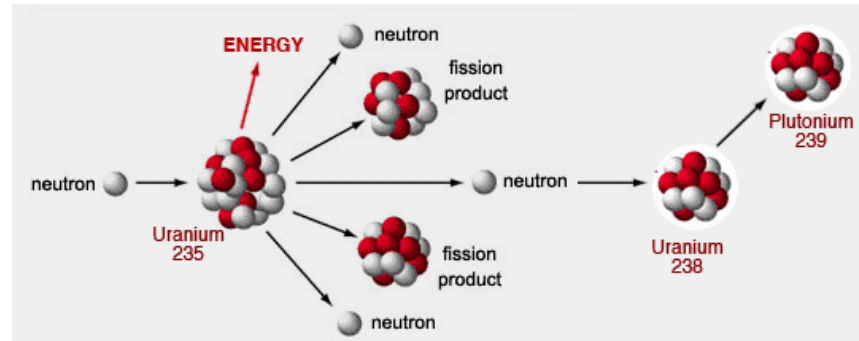
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# 1. INTRODUCTION

- Nuclear waste
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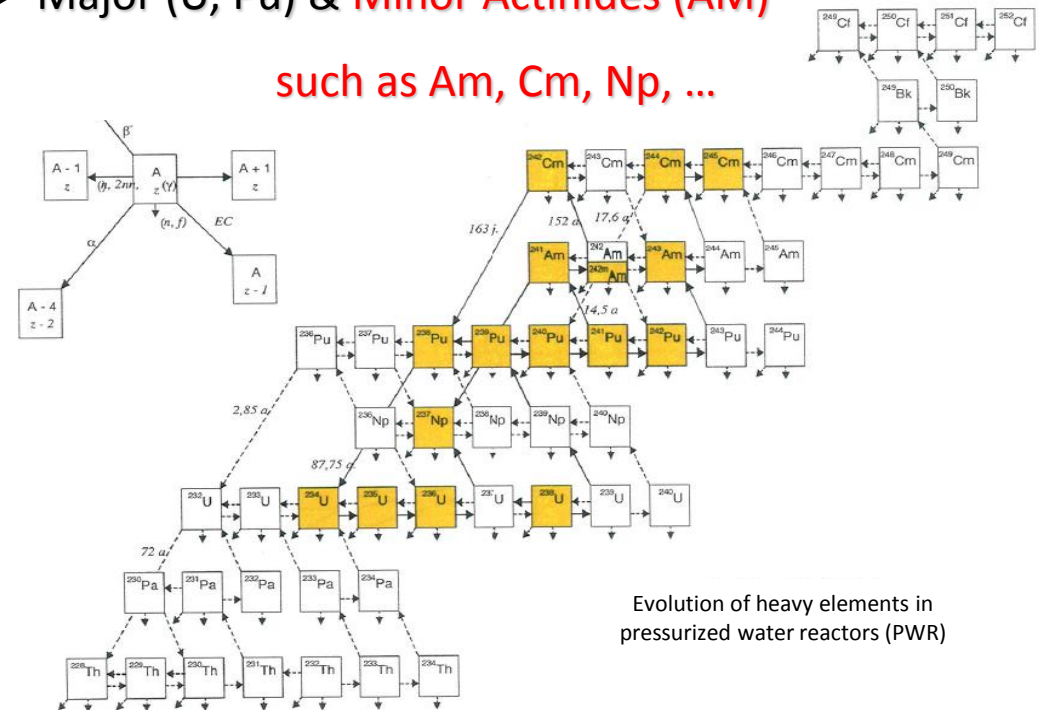
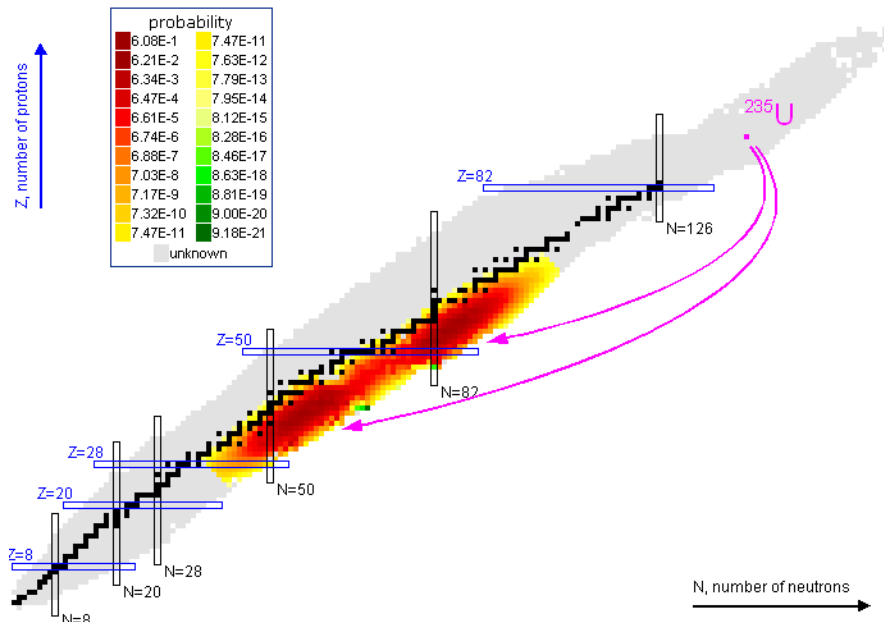
- Nuclear cycle generates



## Fission Products

## Major (U, Pu) & Minor Actinides (AM)

such as Am, Cm, Np, ...



Evolution of heavy elements in pressurized water reactors (PWR)

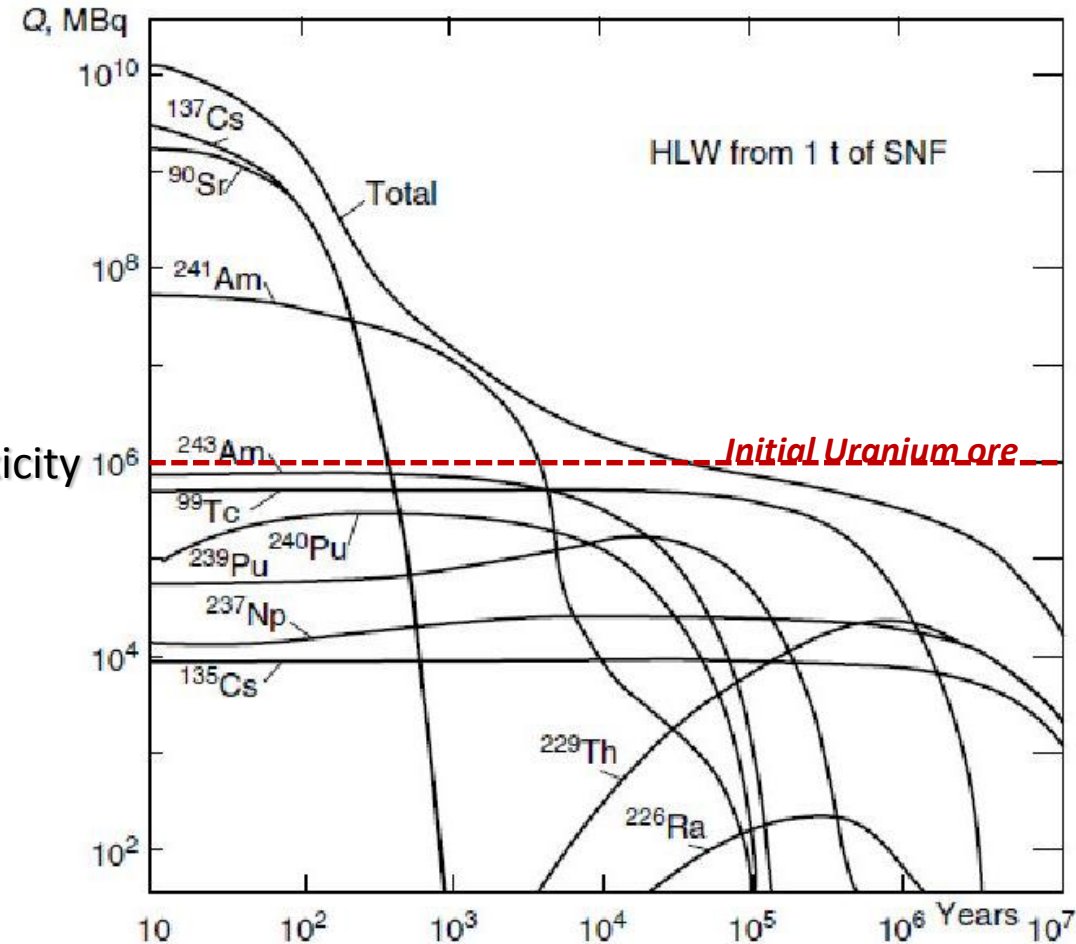
- About 2500 tons of Spent Nuclear Fuel are produced every year by 145 reactors in Europe



- High Level Waste (HLW)
  - represent 0.2% in volume & 95% in radiotoxicity
  - long-term dominated by **Minor Actinides** (especially  $^{241}\text{Am}$ )

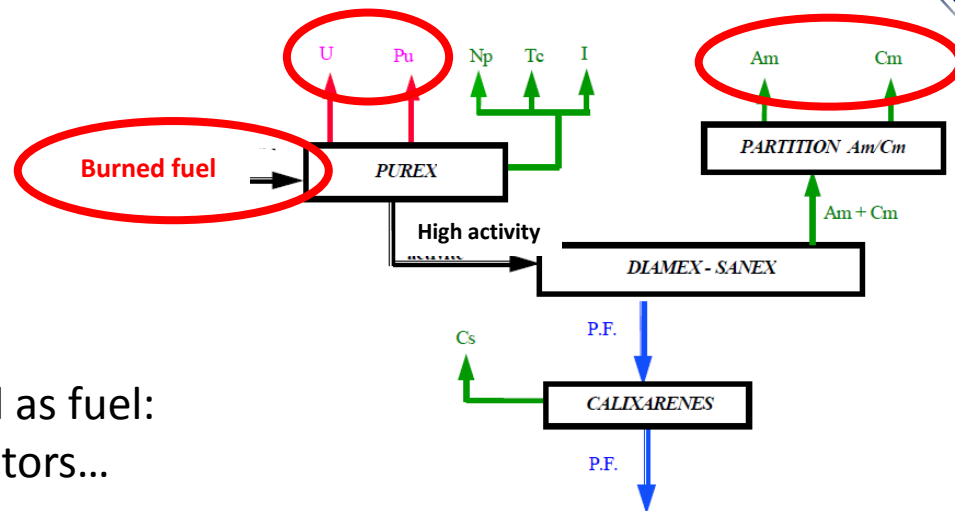
- Reference solution for HLW management = long-term **geological disposals**

- CIGEO project (France)
- Yucca mountain (USA, defunded in 2011)



# Spent fuel reprocessing (partitioning)

- In France (La Hague), **spent fuel is reprocessed**



- U and Pu are extracted (partitioning) to be reused as fuel: Mixed OXide fuel (MOX), future Gen.IV reactors...

- High-level wastes are conditioned (vitrification) & stored



Vitrified container

5 years    35 years    55 years    100 years    300 years



3080 W



1000 W



650 W



310 W

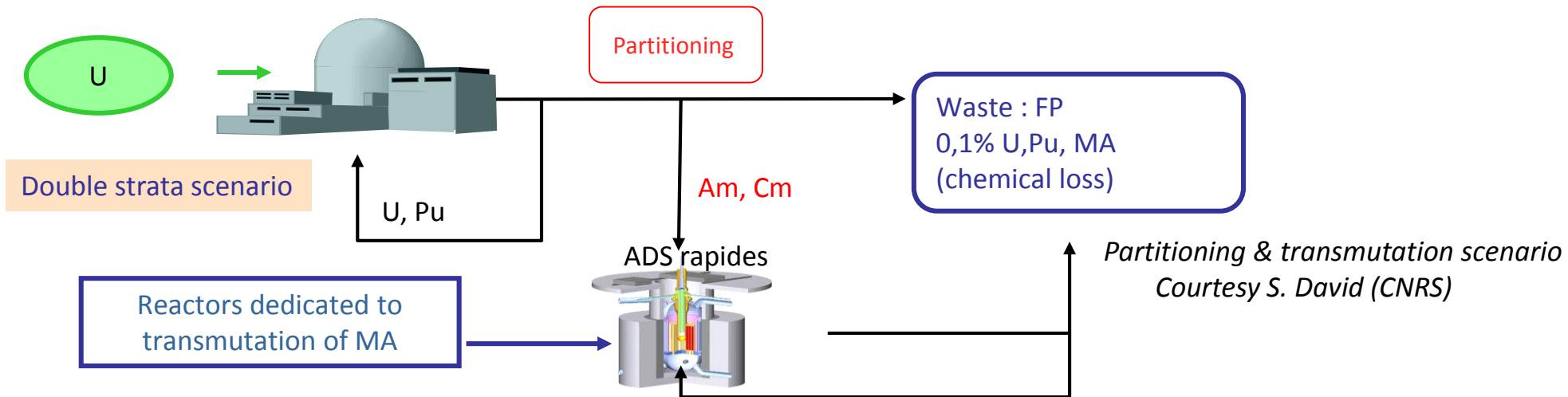


120 W

75% UOX2 & 25% MOX

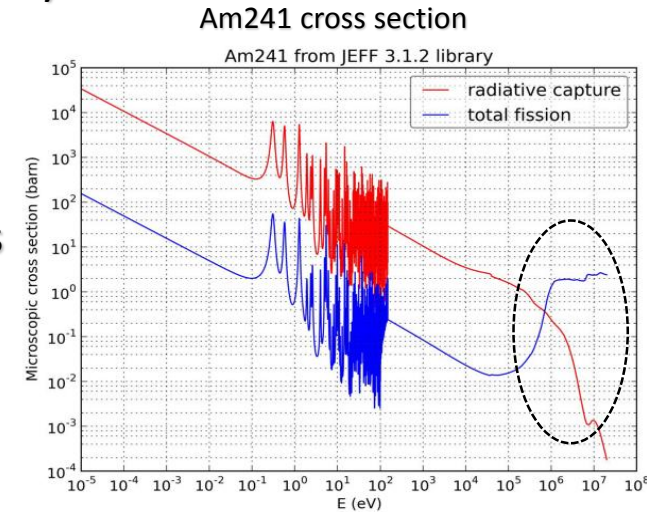


- Instead of storing the long-lived waste, **the transmutation strategy proposes to:**
  - reduce radiotoxicity and heat loads** of long-lived nuclear wastes (especially MA)
  - to minimize the surface required for waste storage**
- **ADS** = present reference solution for dedicated “transmuter” facilities
- Possible scenario with 2 types of reactor (double-strata)
  - Classical reactor for energy production
  - ADS for minor actinides management (not competitive for electricity production)
- A “small” 400 MW<sub>th</sub> industrial ADS could burn 100 kg of MA/year (about 20 units for EU)



Transmutation of minor actinides (MA) into fission products is efficient only if:

- Fission to capture cross section ratio is high enough
- ➔ **Need for a fast neutron spectrum (MeV)**
- Enough neutrons are available to feed the transmutation process
- ➔ **Need for an intense neutron source**

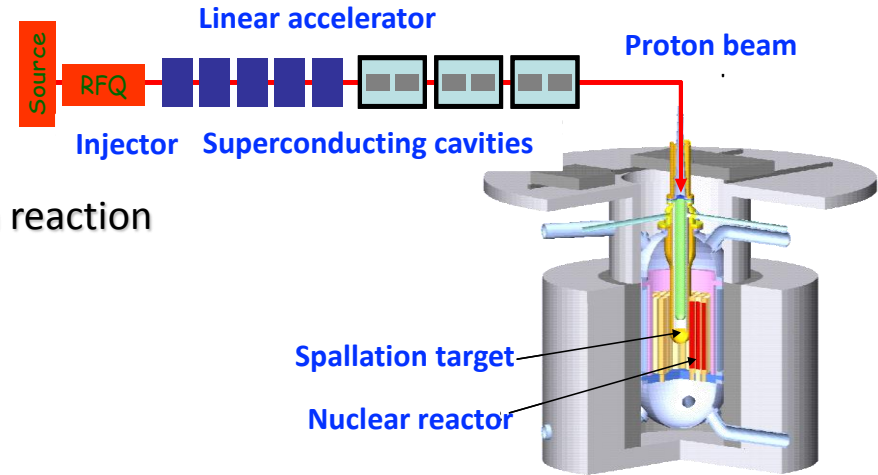


In which type of fast reactor could we transmute ?

- In the next generation GEN-IV nuclear power plants (critical Fast Reactors)
  - only a small fraction of MA can be loaded
- In a few **dedicated MA burners** (ADS)
  - highly loaded with MA : higher efficiency
- ➔ sensitive compromise between **safety / economics / proliferation / politics...**

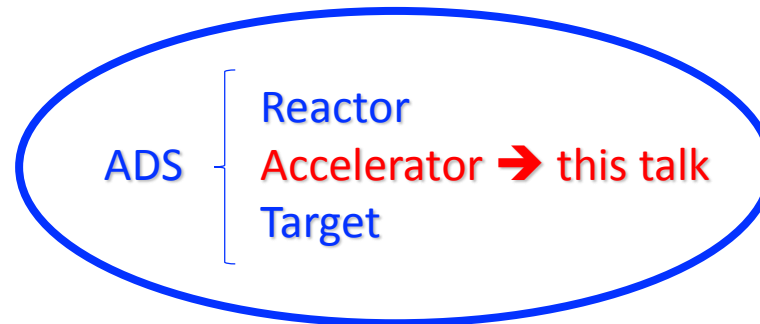


- Accelerator Driven System (ADS) :
  - nuclear facility envisioned in waste management programs



- Based on a sub-critical reactor
  - Requires an external neutron source to maintain the chain reaction
  - External source = accelerator + target
  - Reactor driven by the source via the accelerator beam

- Allow a fuel with large amounts of minor actinides to be incinerated
  - impossible in critical reactors



- ◇ A subcritical system driven by an external source of neutrons to operate
  - Spallation neutrons produced by an proton beam on target

## ◇ ADS reactor specificities

- Subcritical : neutron multiplication factor  $k_{eff} < 1$  (typically between 0.93 & 0.97)
- Minimal probability of runaway reaction : **reactor inherently safe**
- Some very fast neutrons (> 20 MeV) in the core
- The beam pipe may break containment barriers

## ◇ First approximation :

- Thermal Power of depends on the spallation target and the proton beam properties

$P_{th}$ : Thermal power of the reactor

$E_f$ : Energy generated per fission ( $\sim 200$  MeV)

$\nu$ : Neutrons emitted per fission ( $\sim 2.5$ )

$I$ : Proton beam current

$k_{eff}$ : Effective neutron multiplication factor

$\phi^*$ : Source importance ( $\sim 1.5$ ) – characterise the efficiency of the external neutrons and thus the coupling quality (Source/Reactor).

$\zeta_{spal}$ : Spallation target neutron yield per incident proton ( $\sim 30$ , for a 1 GeV proton on LBE target)

$$P_{th}(MW_{th}) = E_f (MeV) \cdot I(A) \cdot \frac{\phi^* \cdot k_{eff}}{1 - k_{eff}} \cdot \frac{\zeta_{spal}}{\nu}$$

**ADS demonstrator (multi-MW<sub>th</sub>) → Need for a multi-MW proton beam**

## 2. EXAMPLE OF A LOW POWER ADS :

- THE GUINEVERE MOCK-UP

- ❖ On the path to power ADS based on multi-MW reactor and multi-MW beam, several experiments
  - CERN, C. Rubbia *et al.* (CERN, 1995-1996)
    - Experiments FEAT (Fast Energy Amplifier Test) & TARC (Transmutation by Adiabatic Resonance Crossing)
  - MUSE, Cadarache, France, 2000-2004 (CEA, CNRS) low-power coupling of
    - d electrostatic accelerator + tritium target (dT) + MASURCA reactor
  - KUCA, Japan since 2009
    - FFAG (100 MeV protons, nA) on tungstene target, or dT accelerator + Kyoto University Critical Assembly
  - GUINEVERE in Belgium (CNRS, SCK-CEN) since 2011 : low-power coupling of
    - d electrostatic accelerator + tritium target (dT) + fast lead core



*Guinevere at SCK\*CEN (Belgium), operated since 2011*

GUINEVERE : Generator of Uninterrupted Intense NEutrons at the lead VEnus Reactor (Mol, Belgium)

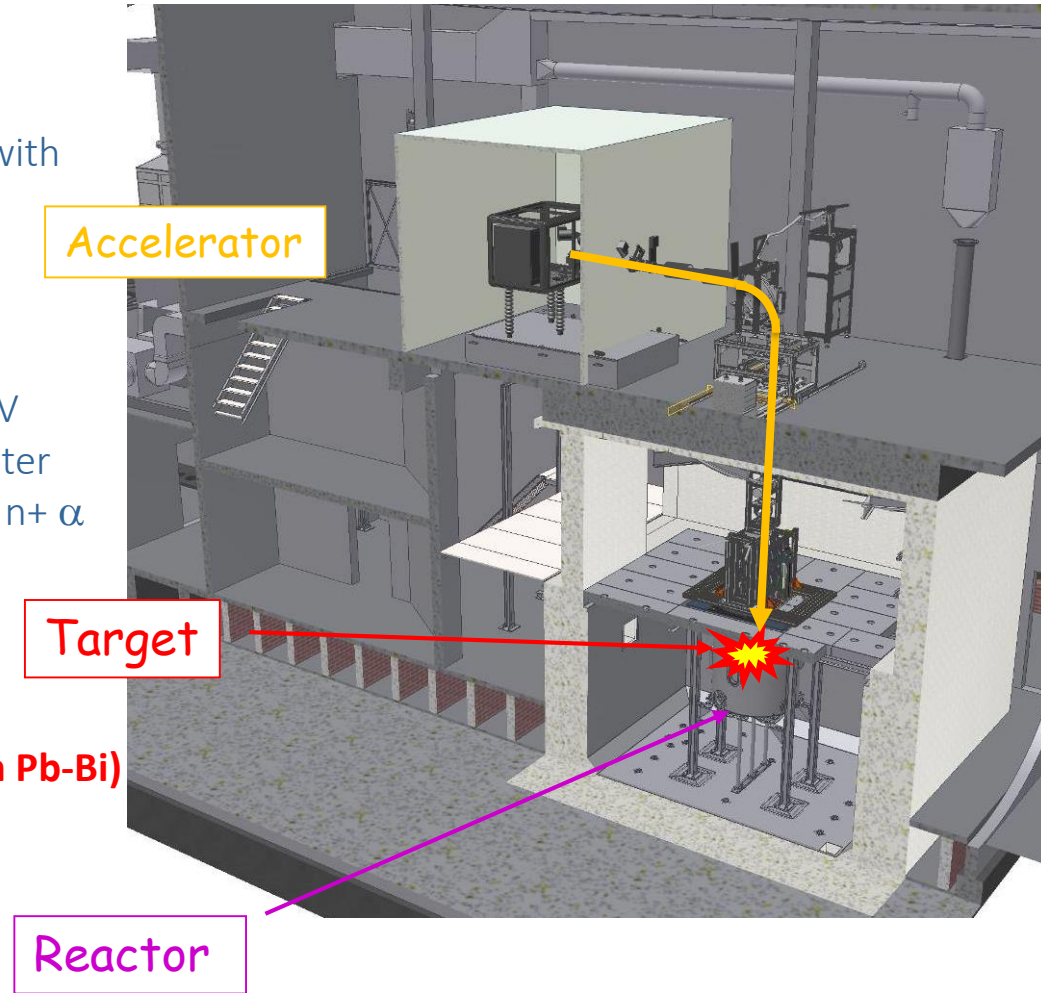
- **VENUS-F** : low-power (100 W) sub-critical fast reactor with enriched U, with solid Pb-Bi « coolant »

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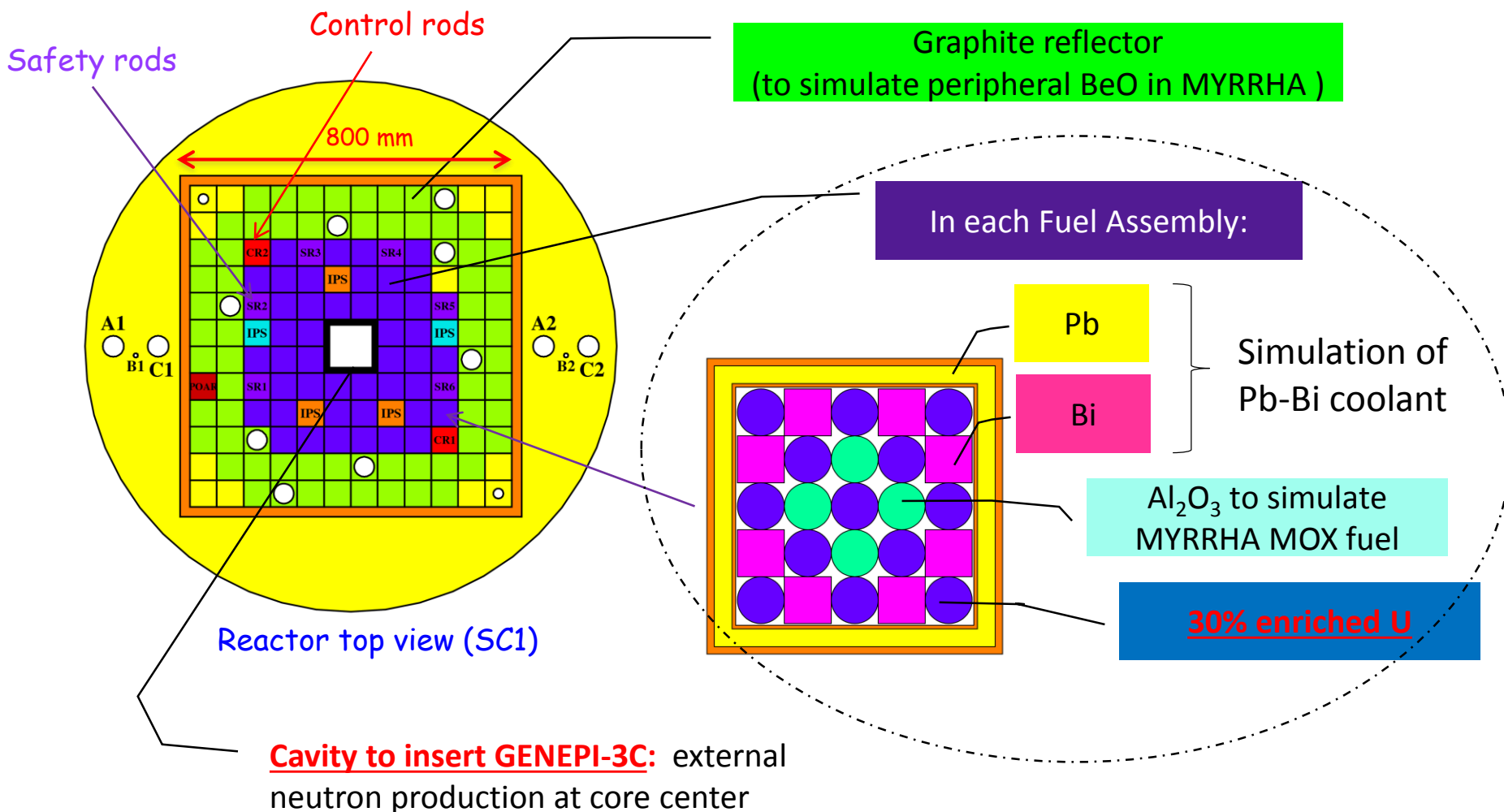
- **GENEPI-3C** : electrostatic accelerator producing 220-keV deuterons (250 W) on a **tritium target** located at core center to generate 14-MeV neutrons by fusion reaction  $T + D \rightarrow n + \alpha$

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A « mock-up » of the power ADS MYRRHA (cooled with Pb-Bi)



- Reactor configuration SC11 : as representative as possible of MYRRHA with  $k_{\text{eff}} = 0.95845 < 1$



- Reactivity monitoring

A reactor key parameter : Reactivity :  $\rho = \frac{k_{\text{eff}} - 1}{k_{\text{eff}}}$

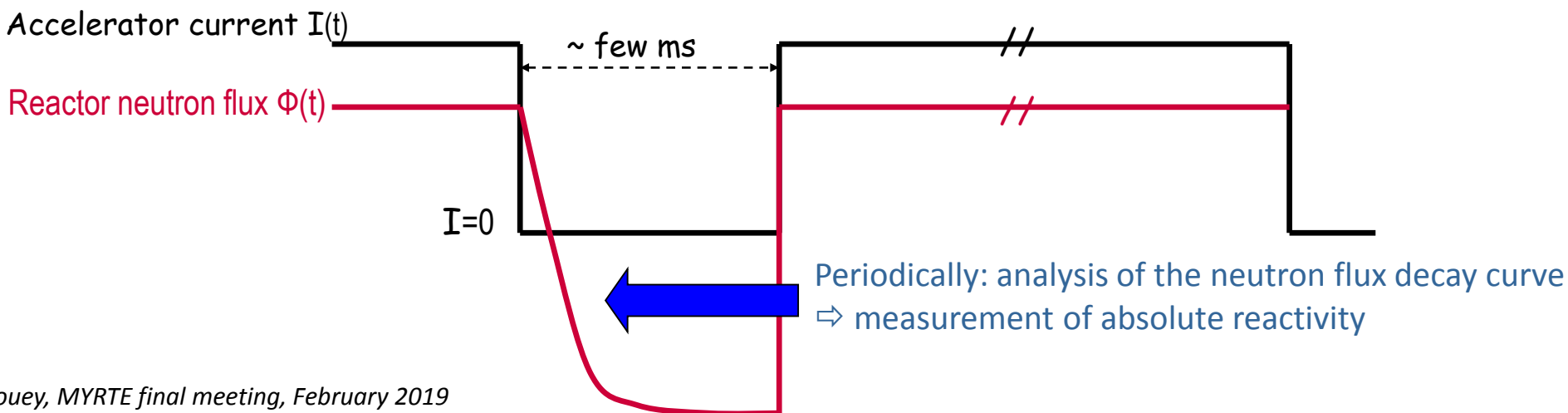
**Subcriticality (negative reactivity) of the reactor must be checked during ADS operation**

| $\rho$ | Reactor       | Power              |
|--------|---------------|--------------------|
| > 0    | Supercritical | Self-Increase      |
| = 0    | Critical      | Self-sustained     |
| < 0    | Subcritical   | Accelerator Driven |

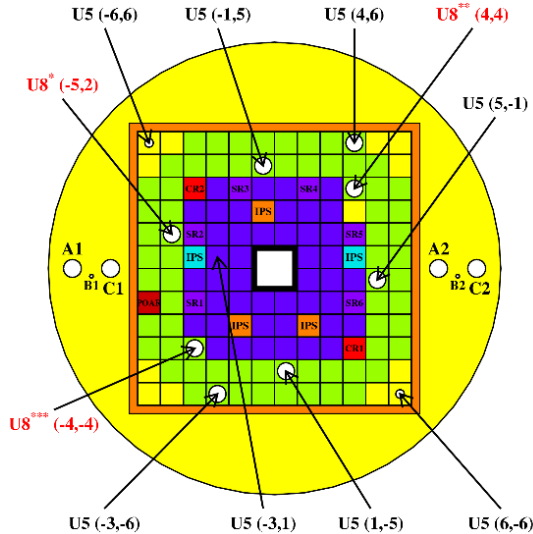
- Special beam mode required to measure the reactivity

➔ The accelerator produces alternatively

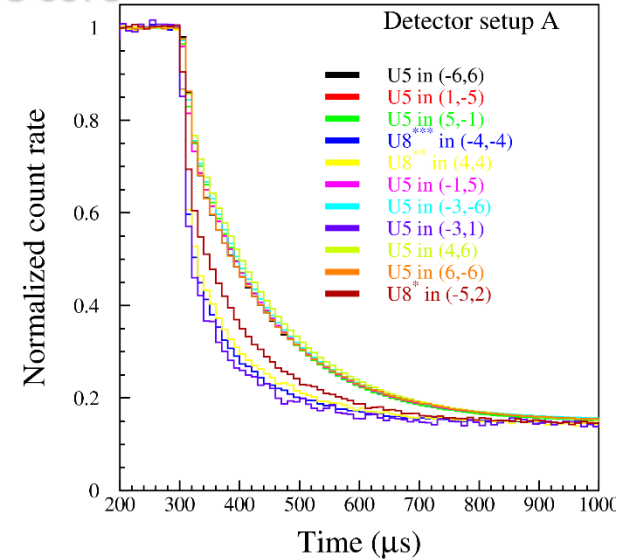
- Continuous mode to mimic a high power ADS operation (MYRRHA)
- Interrupted continuous mode to allow reactivity measurements



- Neutron detectors (fission chambers) at different locations in the core

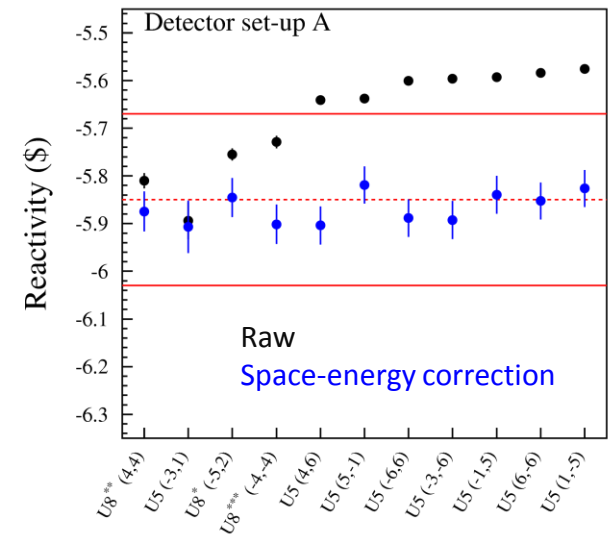


## Beam interruption



- Monitoring of core reactivity :
  - excellent agreement between 2 techniques
    - the reference technique (Modified Source Multiplication)
    - the beam interruption analysis method
  - Fine corrections must be applied

**→ beam interruptions allow reactivity monitoring**





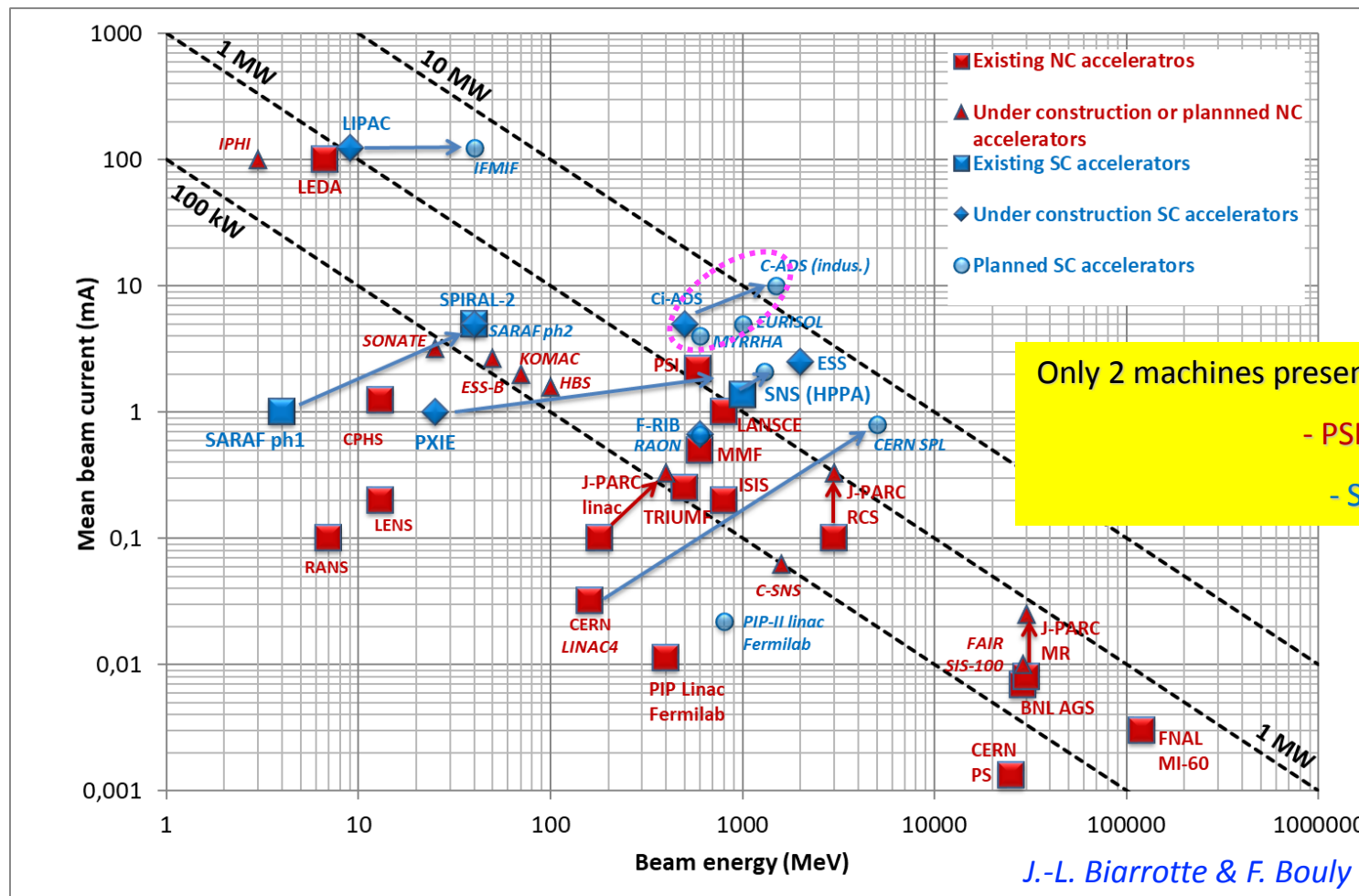
- Beam loss, often created by severe discharges, can affect the reactor
  - After a discharge, beam can be lost on target
  - Neutron production in reactor drops within tens of  $\mu\text{s}$
  - During long interruptions ( $\sim\text{s}$ ) reactor monitors detect a drop in neutron counts
  - When beam is restored, the monitors detect a sudden increase of neutron rate
  - If neutron multiplication rate exceeds reactor safety limit
    - Trigger of reactor emergency shutdown (SCRAM)
    - All reactor rods drop (safety and control rods)
  
- Reactor startup required to recover from every SCRAM requires  $\sim 30$  minutes
  - Rod liftup sequence: 6 safety rods one by one, then 2 control rods simultaneously
  
- Reactor SCRAMs : major cause of facility downtime

**→ machine reliability is the key to operate an ADS**

### 3. ACCELERATORS FOR HIGH POWER ADS

- Requirements
- High power accelerators
- ADS projects

- ADS demonstrator (tens of MW<sub>th.</sub>) require high power (multi-MW) beam
- Beam loss must be controlled at an extreme level : **beam loss must be < 10<sup>-6</sup> per meter typically**
- Main associated challenges of high power hadron accelerators
  - **Physics of intense hadron beams**
    - Management of space charge effects
    - Understanding and control of beam halo generation during transport
  - **Accelerator technologies**
    - Accelerating cavities (RFQ, superconducting cavities) and high power Radio-Frequency elements
    - Diagnostics for intense hadron beams
    - New generation targets (MegaWatt)
- **Additional challenge for ADS application : extreme level of reliability**
  - Accidental interruptions (beam trips) of multi-MW beam power create stress/fatigue on the fuel assemblies and affect the availability of the facility
  - **Accelerator by the interface with the nuclear core → Beam trips « forbidden »**



→ superconducting linac = reference solution for power ADS

- **China**
  - **Ci-ADS at Institute of Modern Physics (IMP), 2.5 MW proton beam**
- **Europe**
  - **MYRHHA project at SCK-CEN in Belgium, 2.4 MW proton beam**
- **Japan**
  - Transmutation Experimental Facility : ADS Target Test Facility (TEF-T) at JPARC
  - 250 kW beam power (400 MeV proton), target Lead-Bismuth eutectic (LBE)
- **Ukraine**
  - ADS facility of Kharkov Institute of Physics & Technology (KIPT)
  - 100 kW electron beam power (100 MeV electrons) onto W or U targets + subcritical assembly (U fuel + Beryllium graphite reflector)
- **India**
  - Project Low Energy High Intensity Proton Accelerator (LEHIPA) at BARC
  - 600 kW proton beam (20 MeV, 30 mA) at BARC

- Chinese ADS (Ci-ADS) at Institute of Modern Physics (IMP)
- Project of ADS demonstrator with
  - a lead-bismuth eutectic cooled fast reactor with 7.5 MWth (keff = 0.97)
  - a granular flow target
  - superconducting proton linac

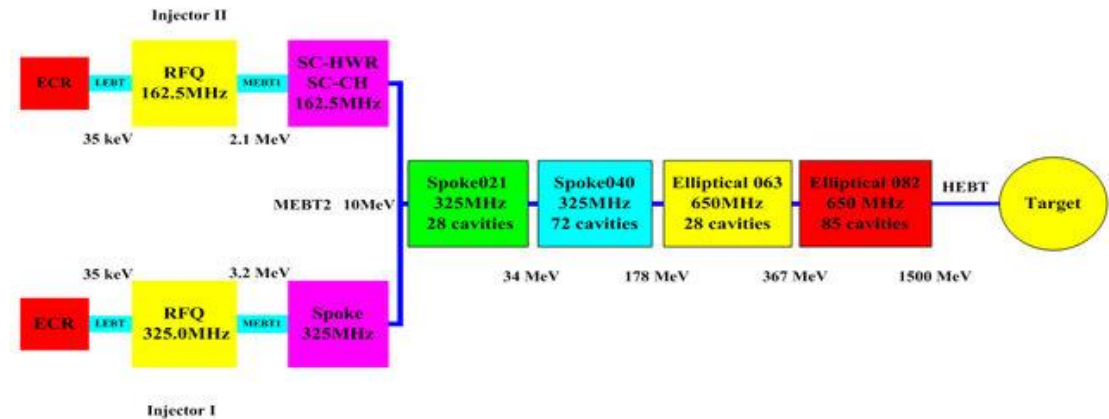
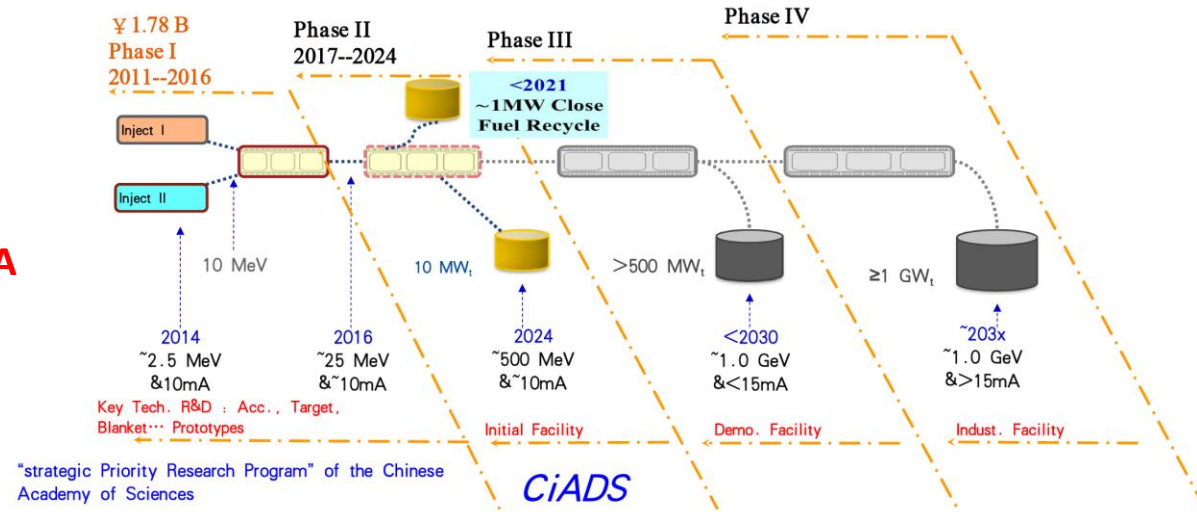
Linac reference design

- **2.5 MW proton beam : 500 MeV, 5 mA**

|                 |          |     |
|-----------------|----------|-----|
| Design Particle | proton   |     |
| Energy          | 500      | MeV |
| Beam current    | 5        | mA  |
| Beam power      | 2.5      | MW  |
| Operation mode  | CW&Pulse |     |
| Beam loss       | < 1      | W/m |
| Reactor power   | 7.5      | MWt |

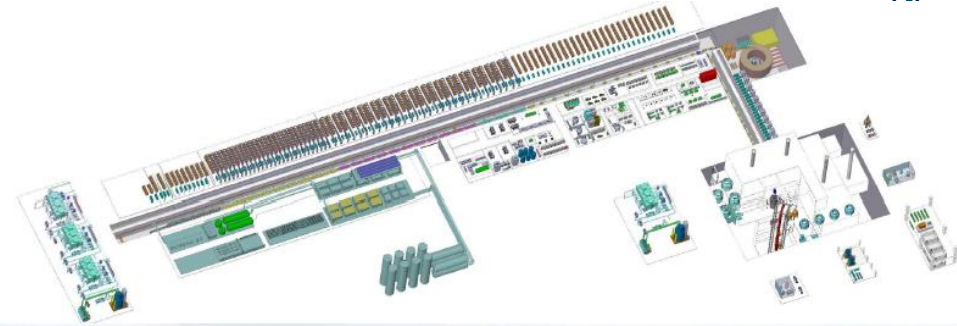
Reliability requirements for the beam

- Trips < 10 s : -
- 10 s < trips < 5 min : 2500/year
- Trips > 5 min : 300/year



Yuan He, TCADS-4, Oct. 14-17, 2019, Antwerpen, Belgium

- Linac design performed
- Front end demo linac (CAFe) in operation since mid 2019
  - Injector section at 17.5 MeV and 2 mA
  - Availability = 89% over 5 days of operation at 17.5 MeV



*CAFe injector*

- Ground breaking in 2018



Ground broken in 2018

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## 4. MYRRHA

- Project status
- Linac reference design
- Reliability
- Fault recovery
- Main R&D achievements

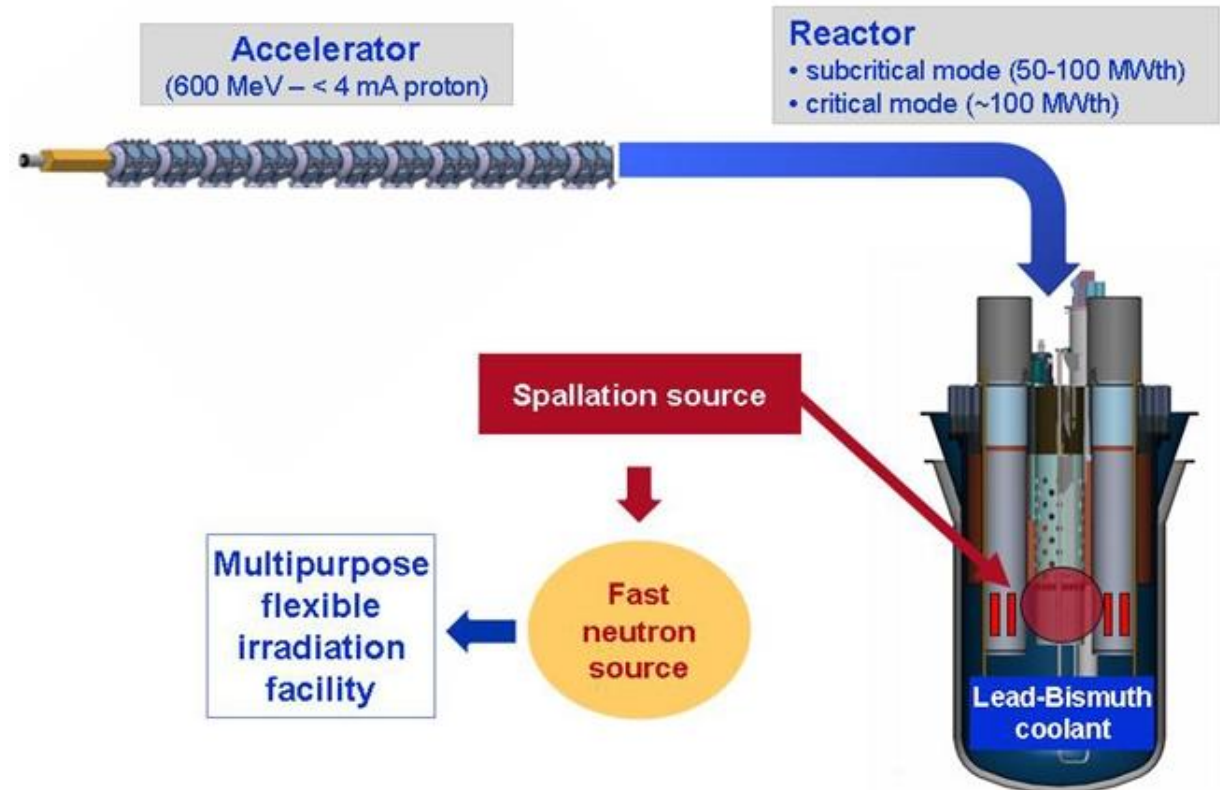




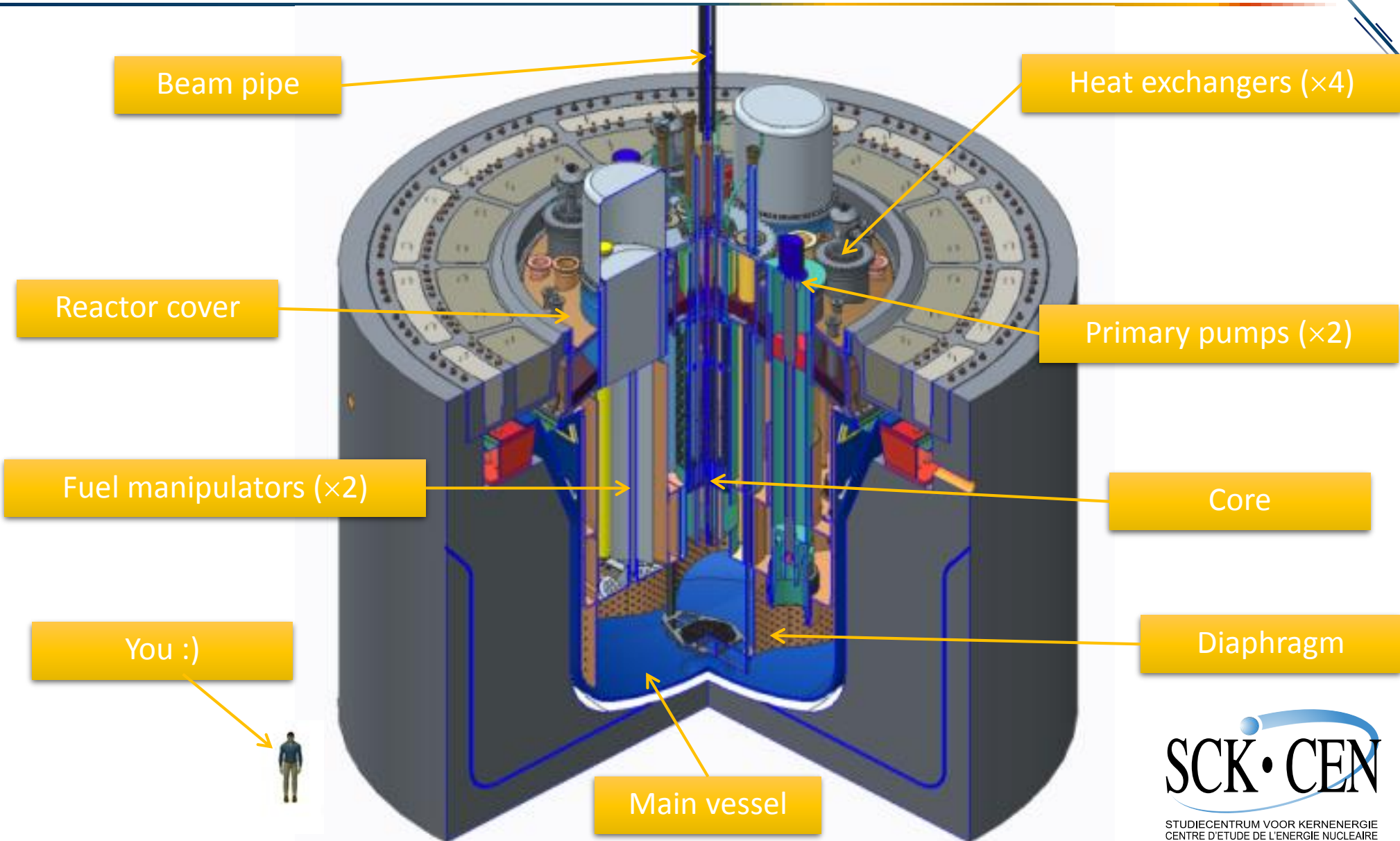
- Goal : Demonstrate the physics and technology of an Accelerator Driven System (ADS) for transmuting long-lived radioactive waste at multi-MW level
- Demonstrate the **ADS concept** (coupling accelerator + spallation source + power reactor)
- Demonstrate the **transmutation** (experimental assemblies)

## Main features of the ADS demo

- 50-100 MWth power
- Highly-enriched MOX fuel
- Pb-Bi Eutectic coolant & target
- $k_{\text{eff}}$  around 0.95 in subcritical mode
- 600 MeV, 2.5 - 4 mA proton beam



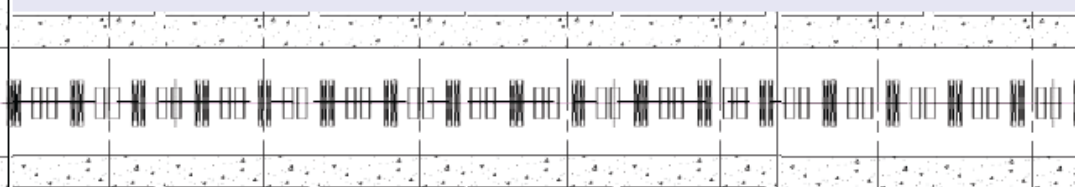
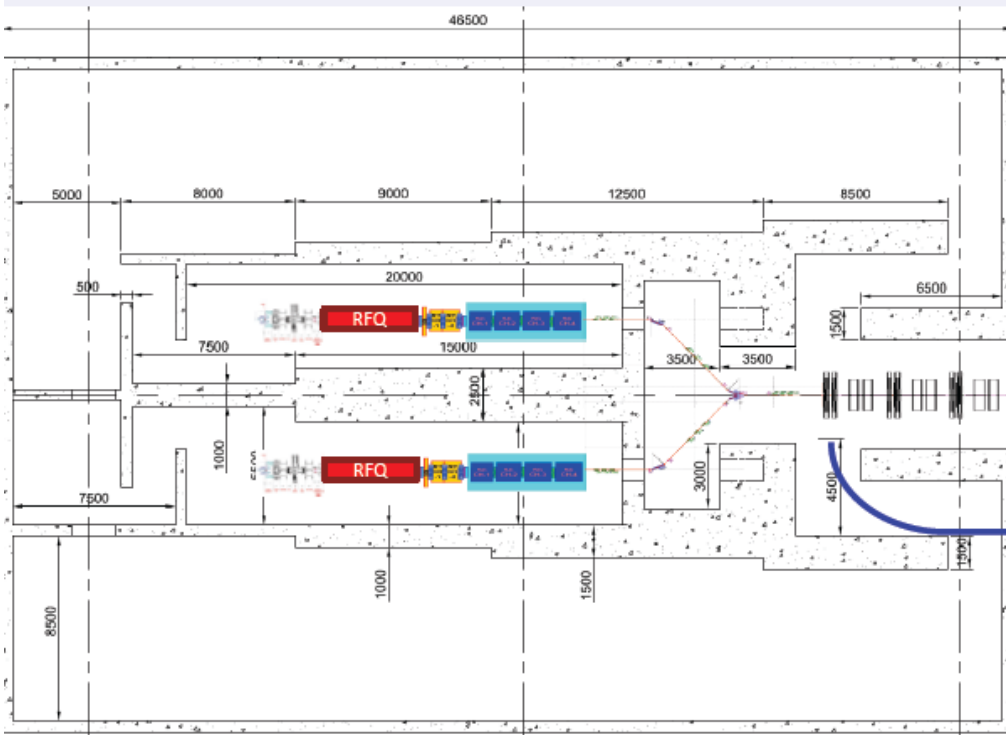
**MYRRHA = 600 MeV, 4 mA proton linac + LBE target + reactor**



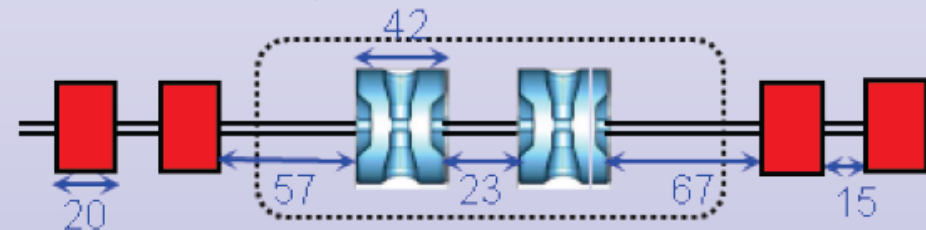
- 2014 : The Belgian Government supports in a progressive way the MYRRHA project
- **2018 : Belgium allocated 558 M€ for 2019-2038 to fund MYRRHA phase 1**
  - **Phase 1 : MINERVA (MYRRHA Isotopes production coupling the linEar acceleRator to the Versatile proton target fAcility)**
  - MINERVA : Coupling the MYRRHA 100 MeV linac to a Proton Target Facility (PTF)
- Applications of MINERVA
  - Production of medical radioisotopes for targeted cancer therapy
  - Fundamental physics: high-precision, high-statistics experiments (nuclear, condensed matter, biology...)
  - Material irradiation for Fusion
- Goals of MINERVA
  - Validation of the technological choices
  - Representative unit of the full MYRRHA linac (600 MeV)
  - Implementation of fault tolerant schemes
  - Evaluation of the reliability goal for the full MYRRHA linac

**MYRRHA phase 1 (MINERVA) = 100 MeV linac + proton target by 2026**

## INJECTOR BUILDING

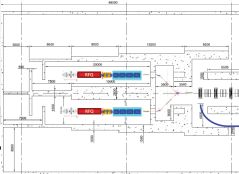


*Section #1 (Spoke  $\beta \sim 0.35$  @ 352 MHz)*

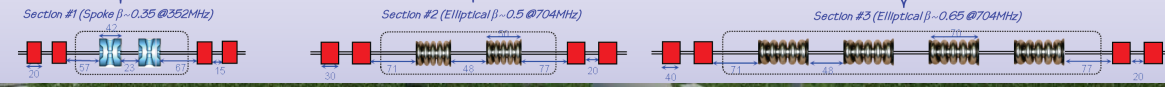


# Layout of the 600 MeV MYRRHA linac

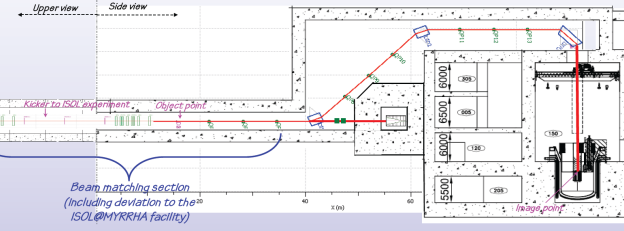
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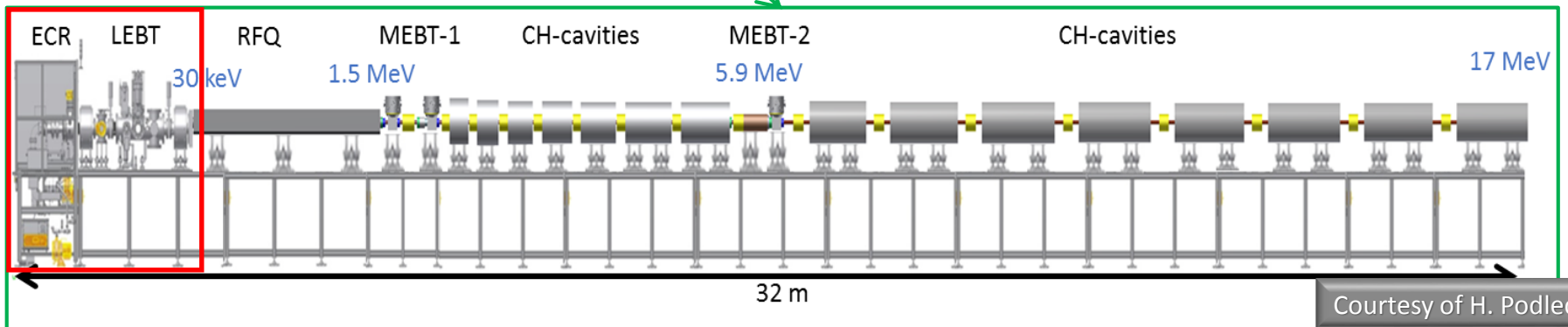
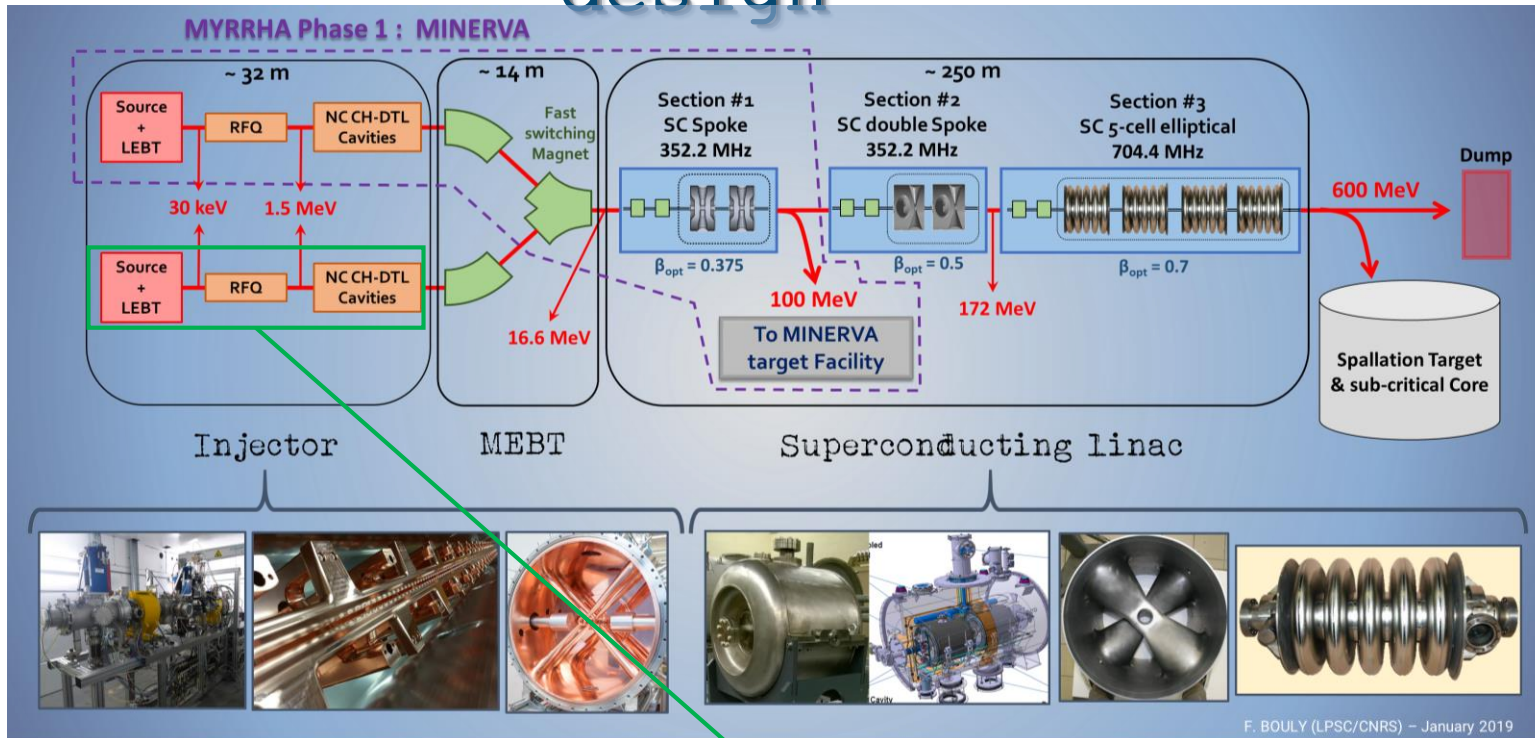
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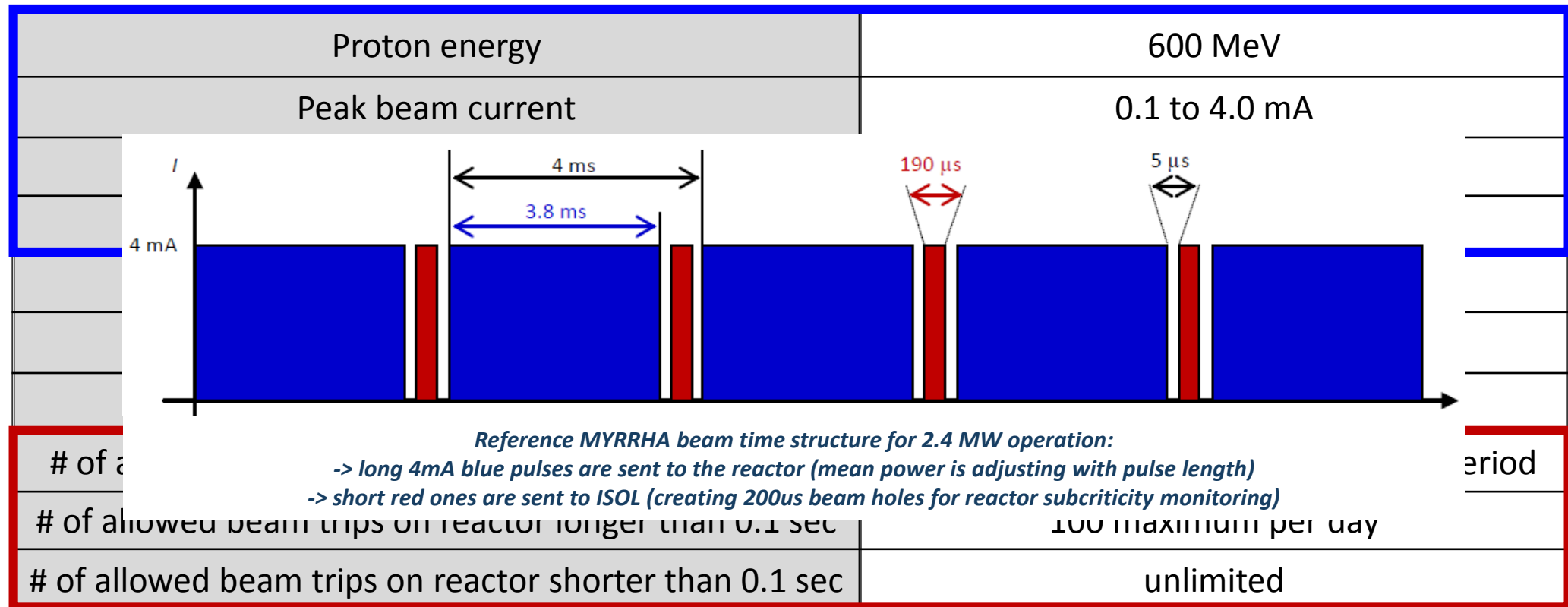
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# MYRRHA linac reference design

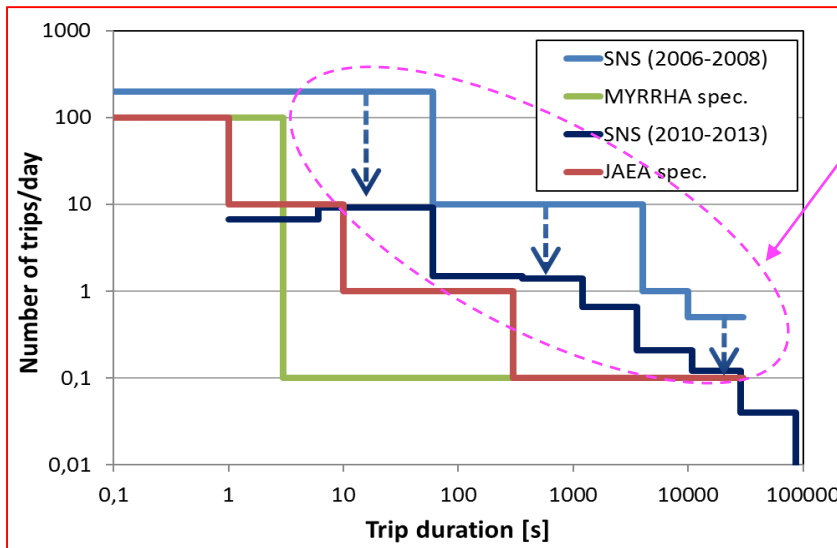


## → High power proton beam (up to 2.4 MW)

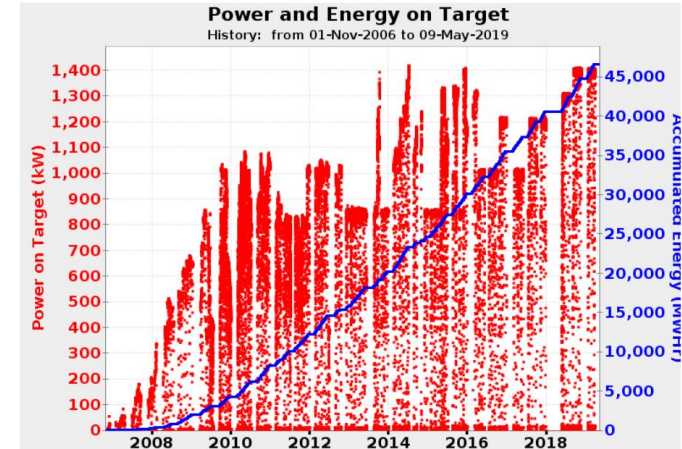


## → Extreme reliability level

- **MYRRHA** reliability requirements
  - to minimize thermal stress & fatigue on target window, reactor structures & fuel assemblies
    - derived from the PHENIX reactor operation analysis
  - To ensure an 80% availability of facility : given the foreseen reactor start-up procedures
    - Approximately 24h to restart the reactor
- ➔ **Less than 10 beam trips longer than 3 sec over 3 months of operation (or 0,1 beam trips/day)**
- Improvements of reliability through the commissioning and the machine operation
  - It will take time to reach a high level of reliability



Significant improvement of SNS within 4 years



J. Galambos, "Operations Experience of SNS at 1.4 MW and Upgrade Plans for Doubling the Beam Power", in Proc. 10th Int. Particle Accelerator Conf. (IPAC'19), Melbourne, Australia, May 2019.

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## Reliability guidelines are required to design an ADS accelerator :

- **Robust design :**

- **Robust optics:** focussing current-independent, large acceptance, minimise loss, no resonance crossing
- **Conservative design :** all components will be operated well below their physical limits (derating)
- Make it as simple as possible
- Low thermal & mechanical stress
- Careful choice of ancillary system : pumps, cooling systems, etc..

- **Reparability**

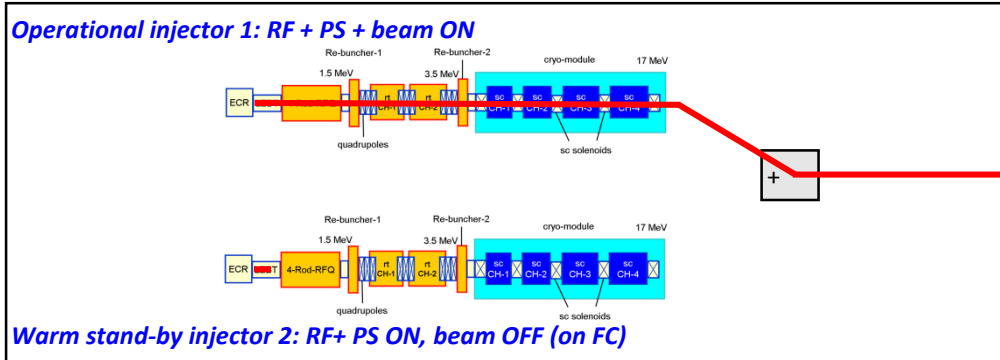
- **On-line where possible**
- Efficient maintenance scheme (MYRRHA : 1 month maintenance vs. 3 month operation )

- **Redundancy**

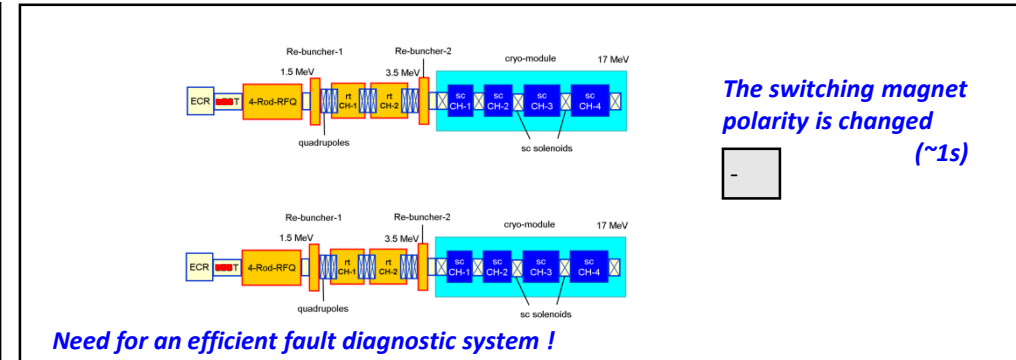
- **Serial** where possible (linac), or **parallel** (injector) even for ancillary systems
- **Failures** can be tolerated but must be **mitigated** to guaranty a **high fault tolerance**
- **Fault compensation scheme** : Introduced during design studies of the MYRRHA accelerator, requires margins

*J.-L. Biarrotte, D. Uriot, "Dynamic compensation of an RF cavity failure in a superconducting linac", Physical Review ST: A&B, 2007*

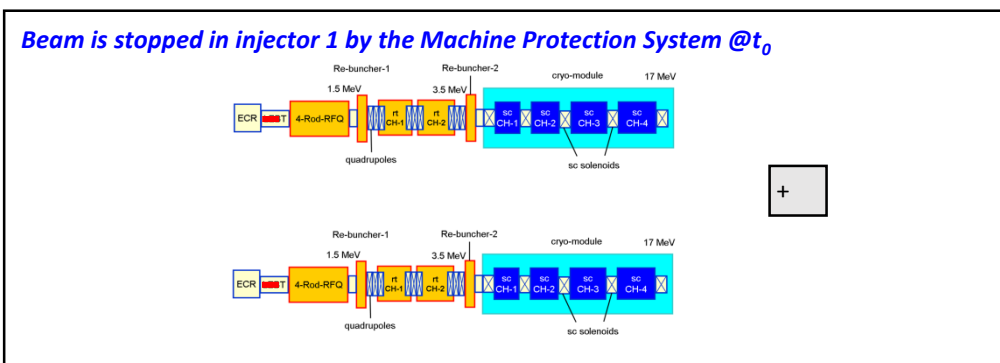
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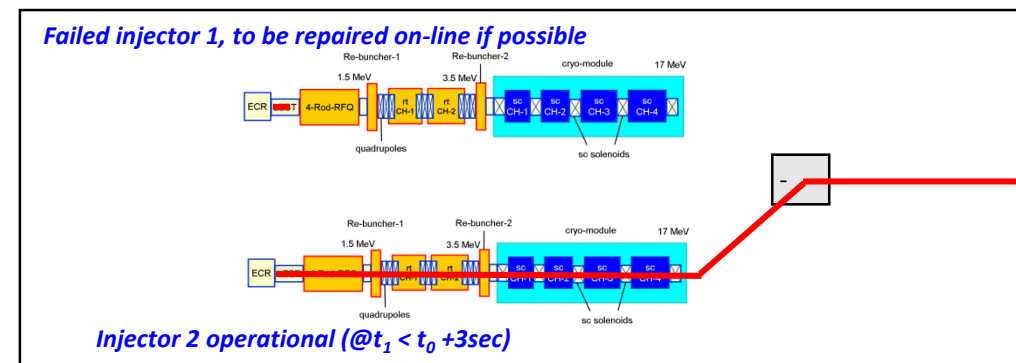
## 3 The failure is localized in injector 1



## 2 A failure is detected anywhere



## 4 Beam is resumed



❶ A failure is detected anywhere

→ Beam is stopped by the MPS in injector at  $t_0$

❷ The fault is localized in a SC cavity RF loop

→ Need for an efficient fault diagnostic system

❸ New  $V/\phi$  set-points are updated in cavities adjacent to the failed one

→ Set-points determined via virtual accelerator application and/or at the commissioning phase

❹ The failed cavity is detuned (to avoid the beam loading effect)

→ Using the Cold Tuning System

❺ Once steady state is reached, beam is resumed at  $t_1 < t_0 + 3\text{sec}$

→ Failed RF cavity system to be repaired on-line if possible

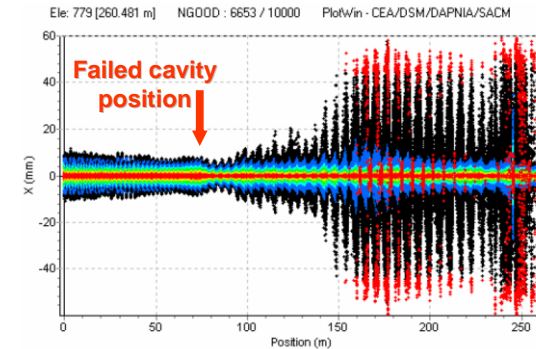
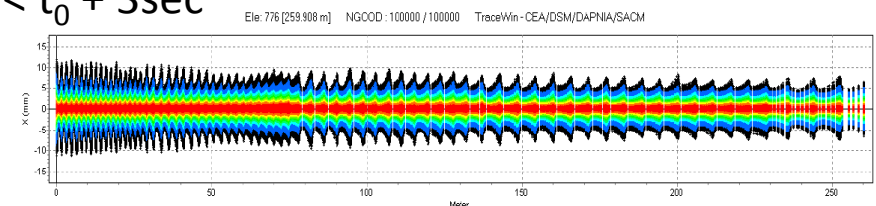
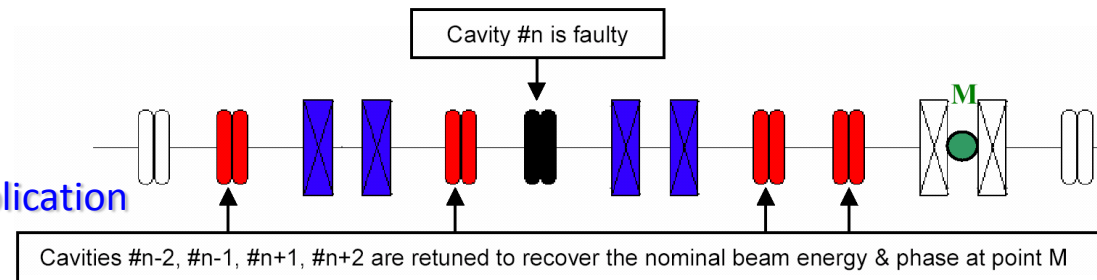
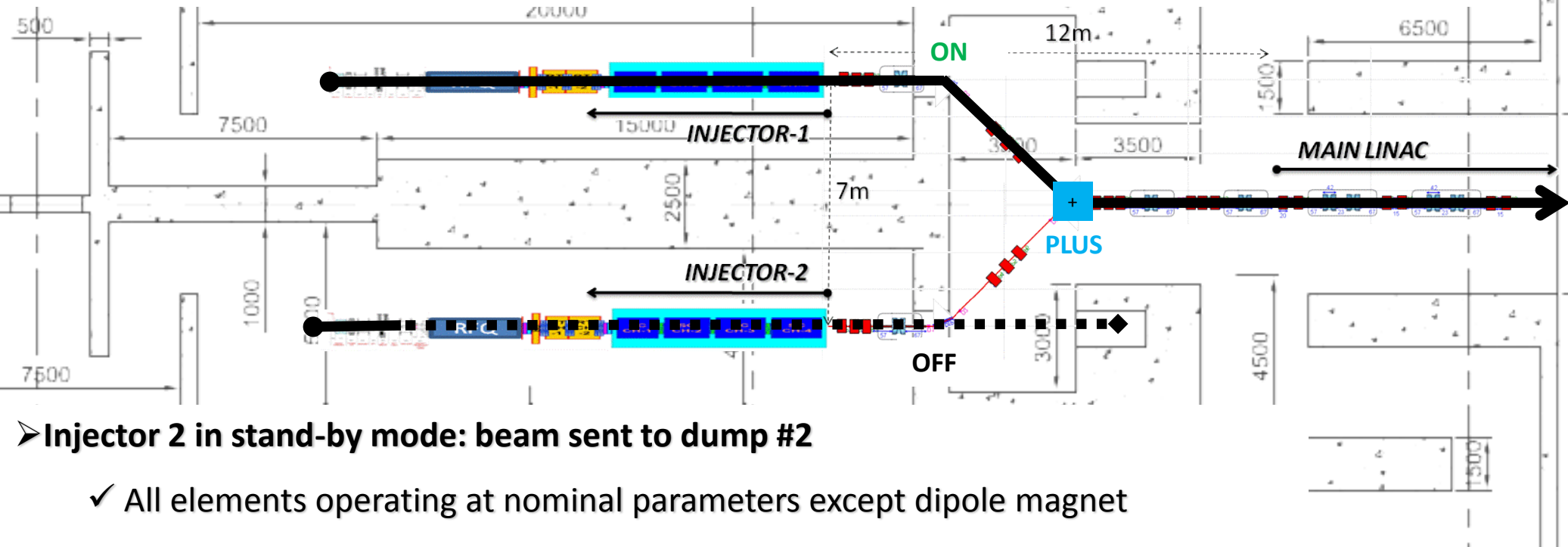


Figure 12 : Transverse beam distribution at 220  $\mu\text{s}$ , in red are plotted the losses



➤ **Injector 1 in nominal operation mode : beam sent to main linac**

- ✓ All elements operating (source, RF, power supplies...) at nominal parameters
- ✓ Chopper: nominal mode (i.e. pseudo CW with short holes)
- ✓ Switching magnet: power supply polarized **PLUS**

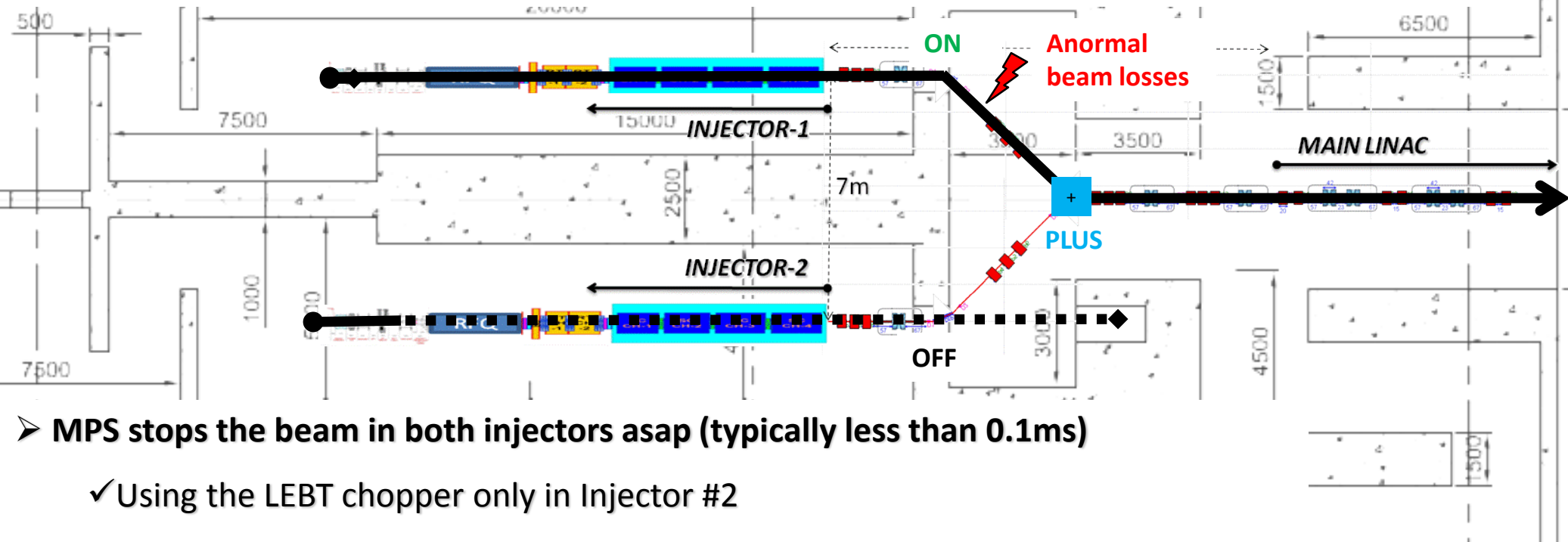


➤ **Injector 2 in stand-by mode: beam sent to dump #2**

- ✓ All elements operating at nominal parameters except dipole magnet
- ✓ Chopper: tuning mode (i.e. low duty cycle tbd)
- ✓ Survey of output beam properties (TOF energy, current monitor)

## ➤ A failure is detected in Injector #1

- ✓ E.g. anormal beam losses in MEBT (or source voltage breakdown, PS failure, cavity quench...)
- ✓ Fault information is sent to Machine Protection System (MPS) / Control System
- ✓ If failure is serious (i.e. reproducible after 1 or 2 tries), MPS stops the beams

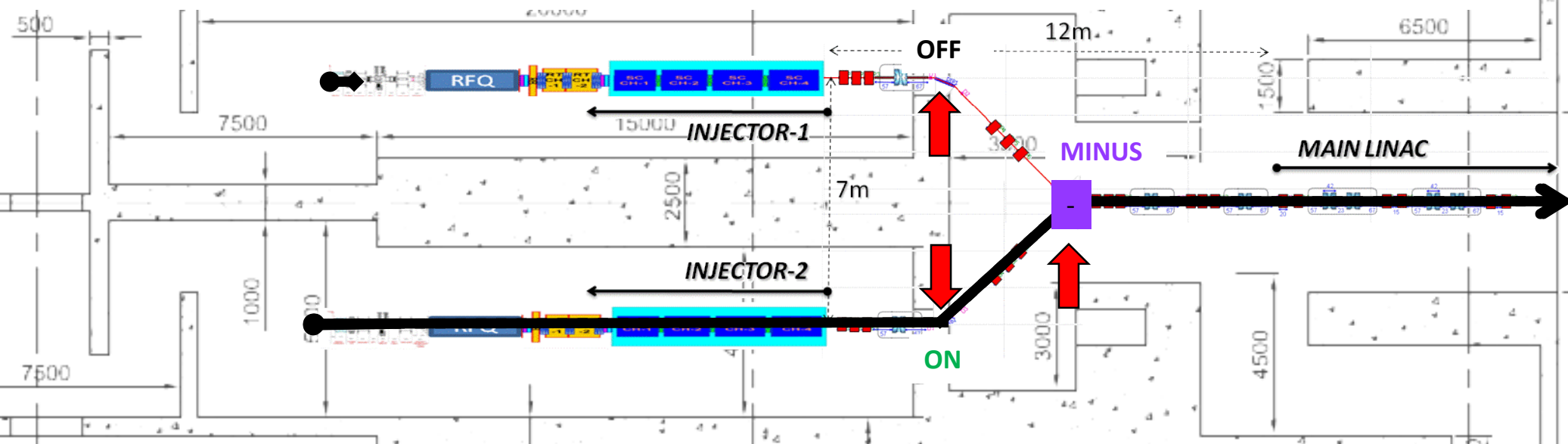


## ➤ MPS stops the beam in both injectors asap (typically less than 0.1ms)

- ✓ Using the LEPT chopper only in Injector #2
- ✓ Definitively in injector #1 using (TBD) the LEPT chopper as a fast mean and then the LEPT Faraday cup for example as a slow & permanent mean

➤ The polarity of dipole magnets is changed (time budget = less than 1sec tbc)

- ✓ Dipole of injector #1 is switched OFF
- ✓ Dipole of injector #2 is switched ON
- ✓ Common dipole polarity is changed to MINUS

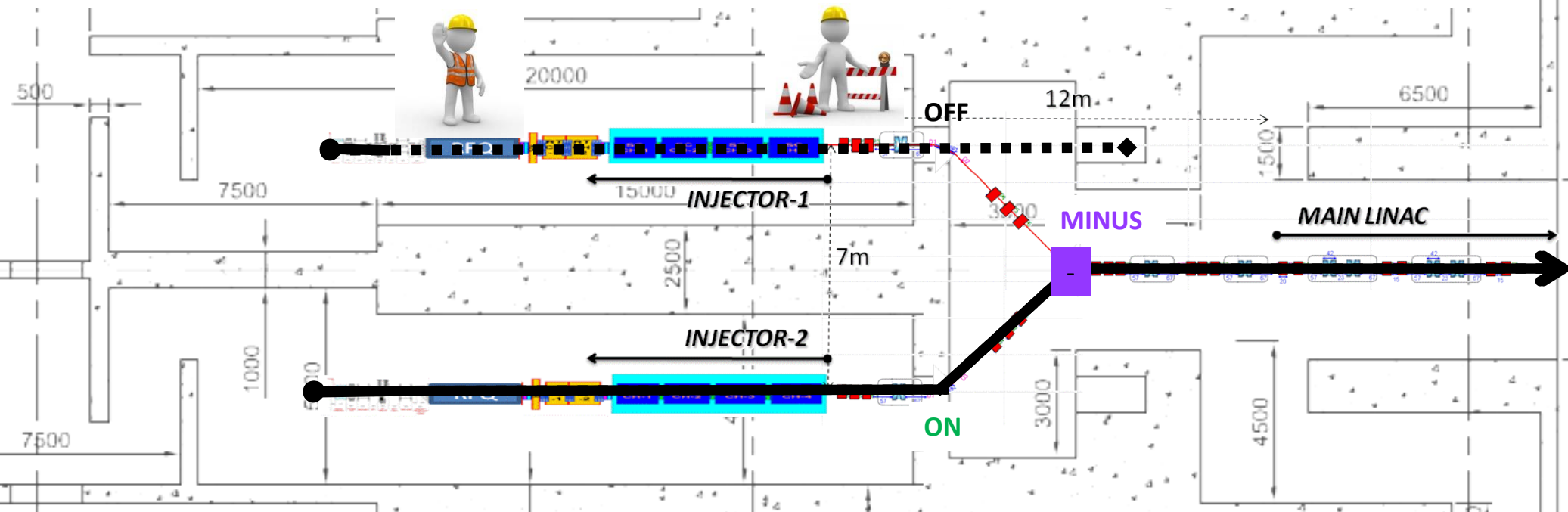


➤ Once steady-state is reached in the PS, beam is resumed in Injector #2

- ✓ First, a few very short pulses are sent to check everything is ok (« fast commissioning mode »)
- ✓ If all is ok, then duty cycle is ramped quickly (within 1 or 2 sec) to recover nominal operation

➤ **Maintenance is started on Injector #1**

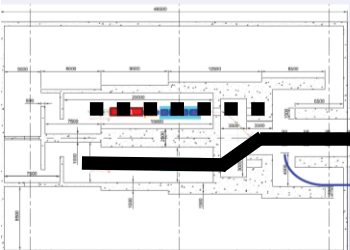
- ✓ Injector #1 casemate needs to be accessible during Injector #2 operation
- ✓ Beam might probably need to be completely stopped on Injector #1



➤ **Once failed component is fixed, Injector #1 is put back to operation**

- ✓ Injector #1 is re-tuned & commissioned locally
- ✓ Once ok, injector #1 stays in « stand-by mode », low dc beam sent to beam dump #1

## INJECTOR BUILDING

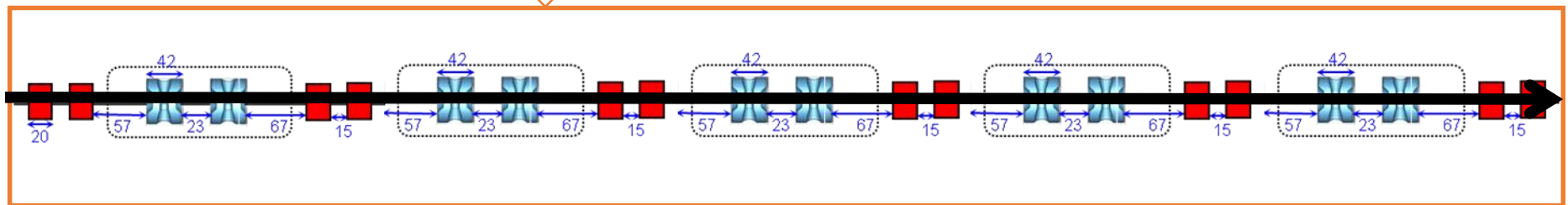


## SUPERCONDUCTING LINAC TUNNEL

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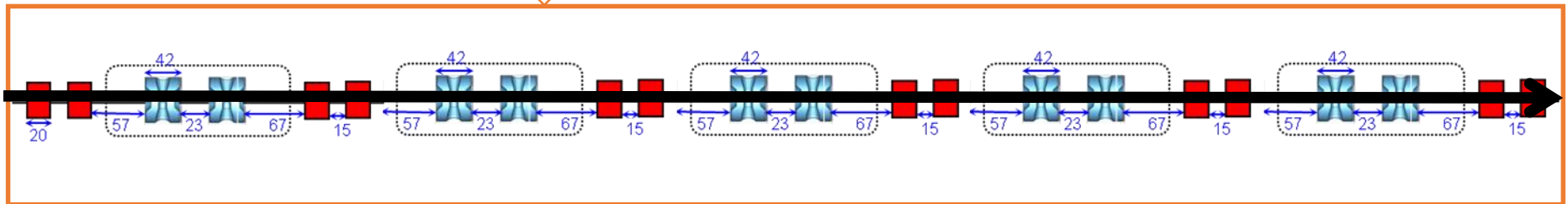
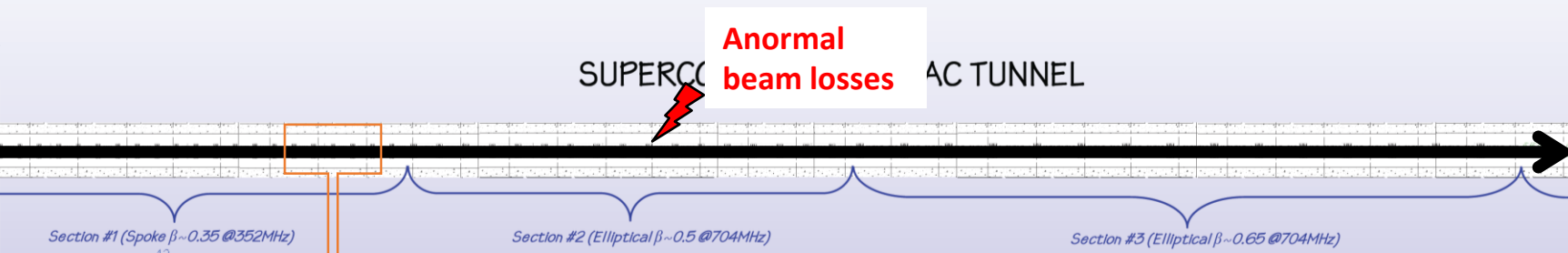
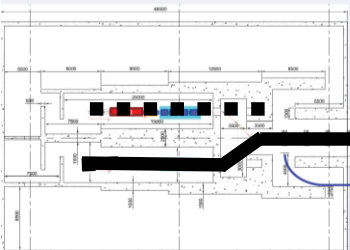


### ➤ Nominal main linac operation

- ✓ All elements (cavities, RF amps, power supplies...) operating at nominal (derated) parameters
- ✓ Reference scheme: local compensation scheme for RF & magnets faults  
**about 30% margins available on all cavities, 40% on amplifiers & 10% on magnets PS**



INJECTOR BUILDING



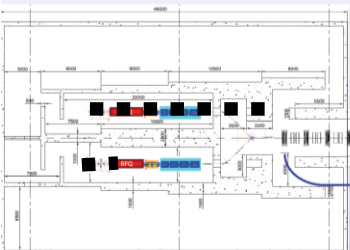
## ➤ A fault is detected in the main linac

- ✓ E.g. anormal beam losses at high energy (or RF failure, PS failure...)
- ✓ Fault information is sent to Machine Protection System (MPS) / Control System
- ✓ If failure is serious (i.e. reproducible after 1 or 2 tries), MPS stops the beams

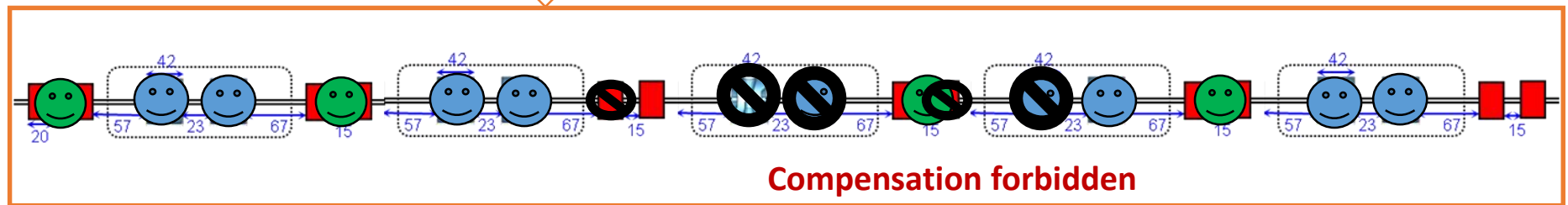
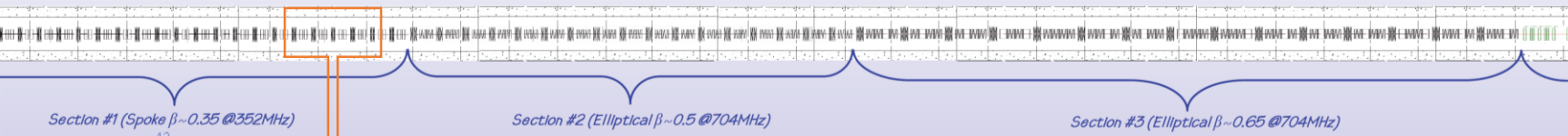
## ➤ MPS stops the beam in the operating injector asap

- ✓ Using the LEBT chopper + possibly an additional redundant mean (tbd)

## INJECTOR BUILDING



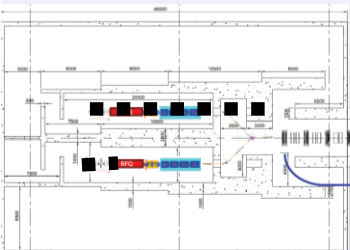
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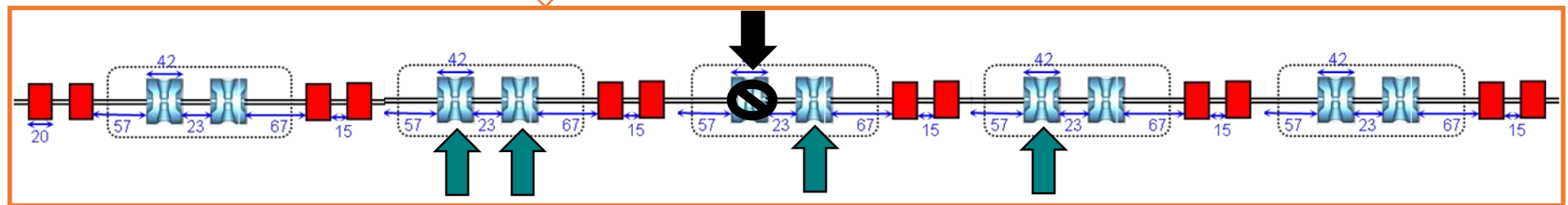
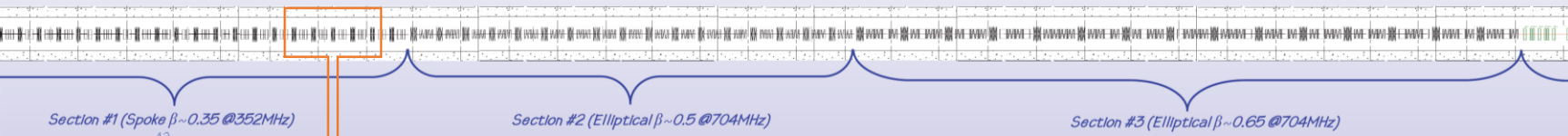
### ➤ The origin of the fault is analysed & fault recovery procedure is launched if possible

- ✓ If the origin of the fault is not diagnosed, the beam needs to be stopped permanently
- ✓ If it is diagnosed AND can be compensated, fault recovery procedure can be started
- ✓ Conditions to fulfil to make compensation possible (proposed basic preliminary rules):
  - fault implying a **cavity**: the 4 nearest neighbouring cavities operating derated (i.e. not already used for compensation) are used; max allowed # of consecutive failed cavities = 2 (sections #1&2) or 4 (section #3)
  - fault implying a **Qpole**: the whole doublet is switched off & the 4 neighbouring doublets are used; max allowed # of consecutive failed doublets = 1

## INJECTOR BUILDING



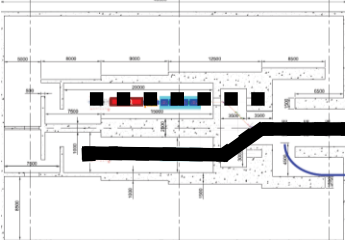
## SUPERCONDUCTING LINAC TUNNEL



### ➤ Fast retuning procedure (e.g. case of a RF cavity failure)

- ✓ The failed cavity RF loop is disabled
- ✓ The failed cavity is detuned of more than 100 bandwidth (time budget = less than 2 seconds)
- ✓ New (Voltage / Phase) setpoint values for compensating cavities are picked in the Control System database (from past beam experience or from a predictive calculation )
- ✓ New setpoints are applied in the corresponding LLRF (w/ typically a ramp of about 150ms)
  - To ensure capability of SC cavities to raise reliably, its operating voltage has to be checked at each maintenance period !

INJECTOR BUILDING

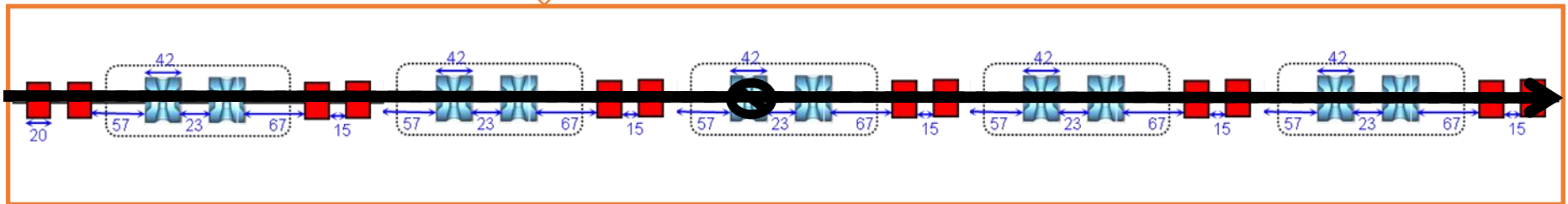


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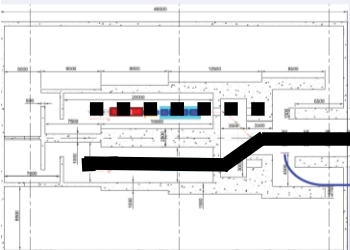
➤ **Once steady-state is reached on the retuned elements, back to beam operation**

- ✓ First, few very short pulses are sent to check everything is ok (« fast commissioning mode »)
- ✓ If all is ok, then duty cycle is ramped quickly (within 1 or 2 sec) to recover nominal operation

➤ **Maintenance is done if possible**

- ✓ If the needed maintenance is inside the tunnel -> wait for next shut-down period
- ✓ If the needed maintenance is outside the tunnel -> repair during beam operation

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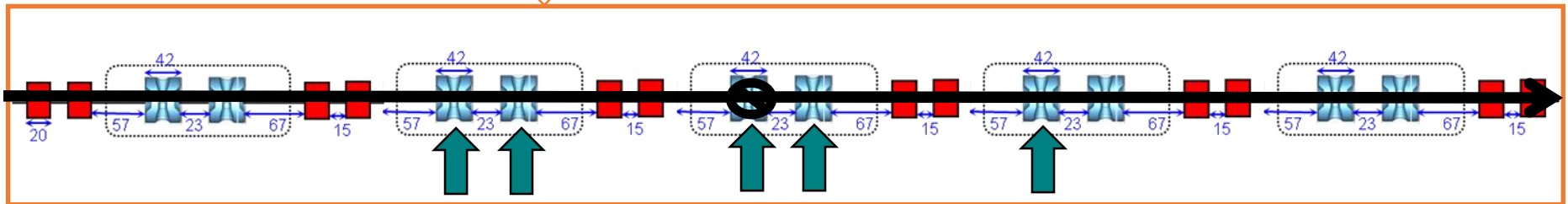


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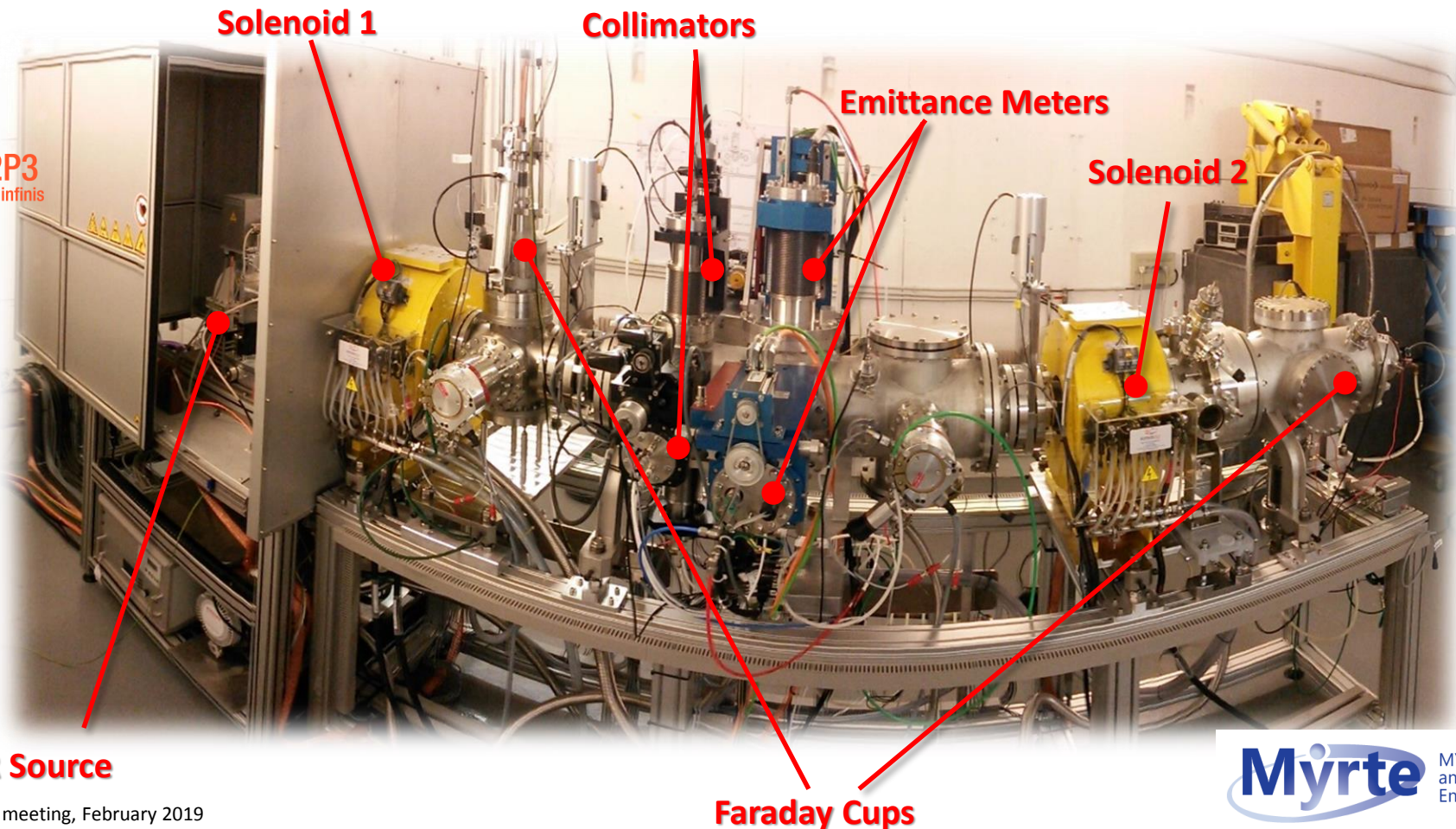


### ➤ If maintenance is successful, back to nominal operation using opposite procedure (? TBC)

- ✓ Beam is stopped
- ✓ The repaired cavity is retuned (time budget = less than 2 seconds)
- ✓ Initial (Voltage / Phase) setpoint values for repaired & compensating cavities are set back
- ✓ Beam is resumed (short pulse) and duty cycle is ramped up to nominal operation

## Design and construction of low energy beam transport line (LEBT) from ion source to RFQ

- LEBT developed by CNRS/IN2P3 (LPSC/Grenoble)
- Experimental program performed : studies of space charge compensation and halo control
- Shipped to Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium) end of 2017, under operation since then



◆ **Design and construction of the RFQ for one injector**

- 4-Rod structure was selected, operation at 176 MHz
- Conservative design (moderate voltage, thermal load less than 26 kW/m) by IAP Frankfurt
- Beam dynamics optimization with emphasis on longitudinal phase space
- RF tests performed in Frankfurt
- Under commissioning in Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium

| Parameter      | Value | Unit         |
|----------------|-------|--------------|
| RF Structure   | 4.Rod | ---          |
| Frequency      | 176.1 | MHz          |
| Beam current   | 5     | mA           |
| Duty factor    | 100   | %            |
| $E_{out}$      | 1.5   | MeV          |
| $R_p$          | 72    | k $\Omega$ m |
| RF Power       | 113   | kW           |
| Specific power | 26.5  | kW/m         |
| Voltage        | 44    | kV           |
| Length         | 4     | m            |



- ◆ **Development & construction of a 190 kW solid state CW amplifier @ 176 MHz**
- ◆ The RF system is critical regarding reliability
- ◆ Solid state amplifiers (SSA) can provide
  - High reliability
  - High reparability
- ◆ SSA built, tested (P=192 kW) by IBA
- ◆ Under tests at Louvain-la-Neuve



6 kW module



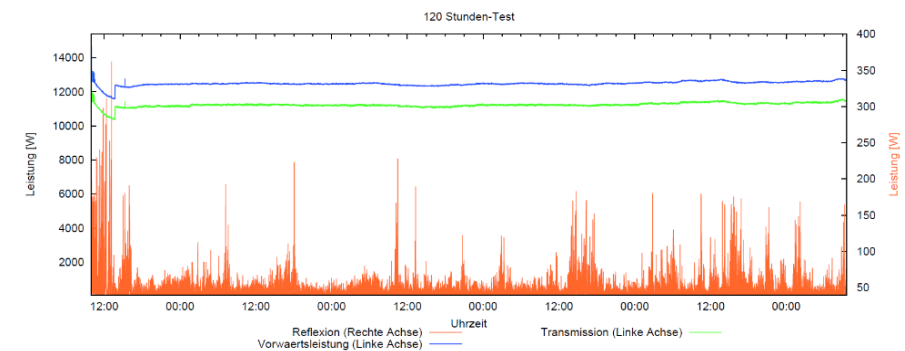
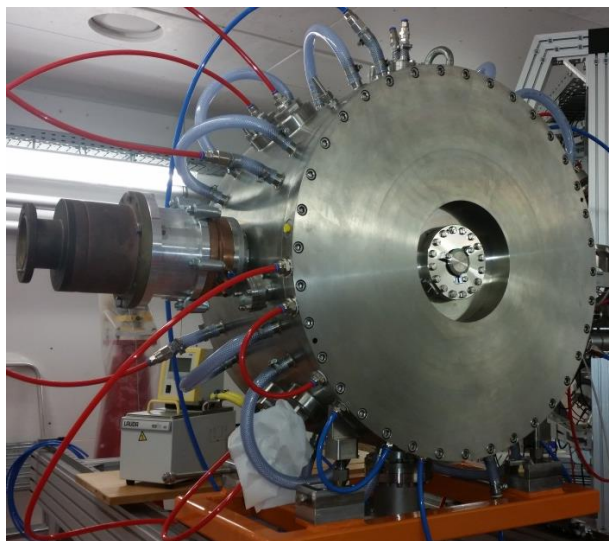
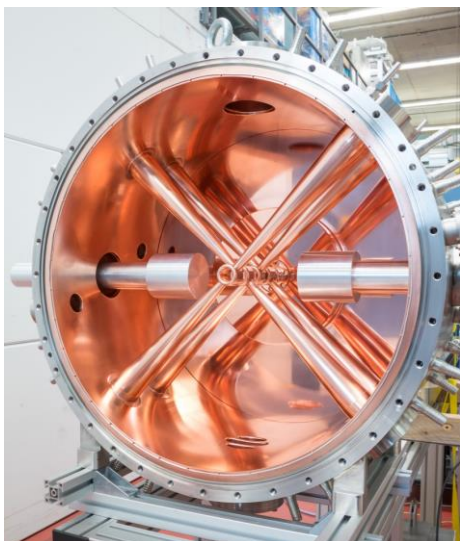
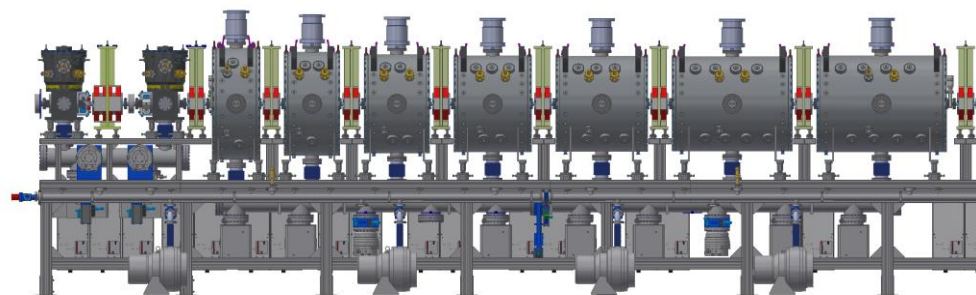
190 kW cabinet





## Design and prototyping of a room temperature CH-cavities for the injector by IAP Frakfurt

- Beam dynamics simulations
- RF design of innovative RT CH-cavities
- Successful test of a MYRRHA-type RT CH-cavity
  - Operation at 35 kW/m at Frankfurt

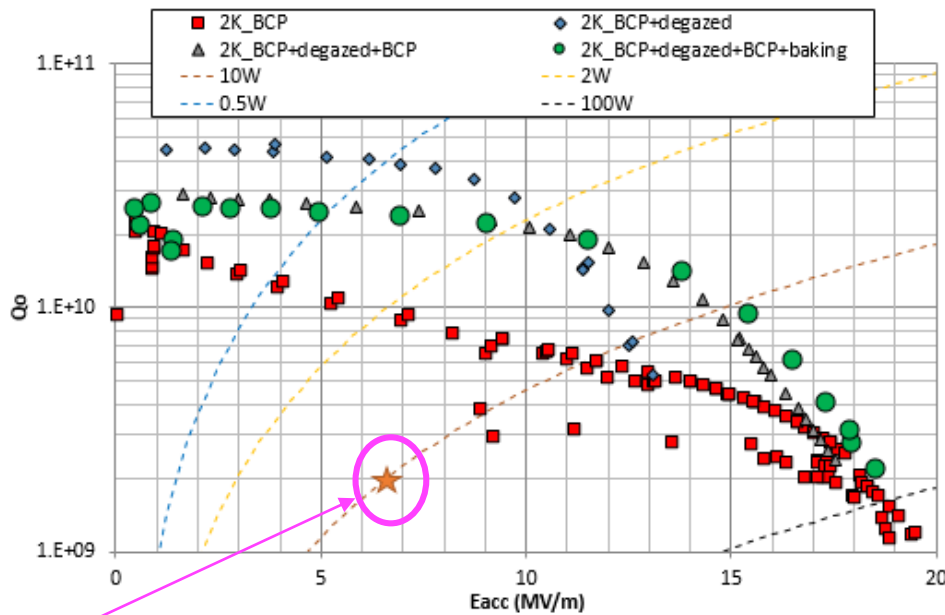


Cavity power/transmission versus time

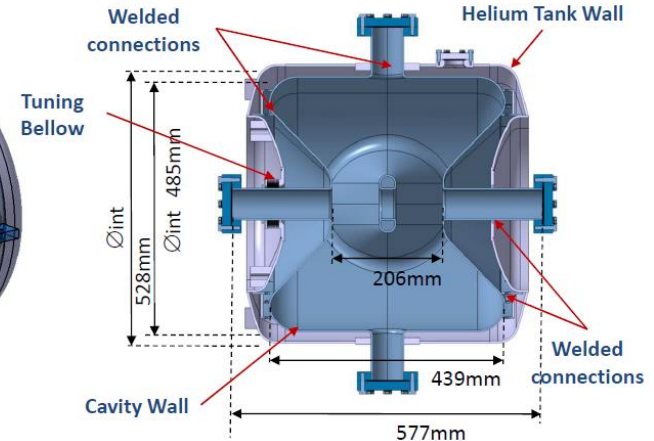
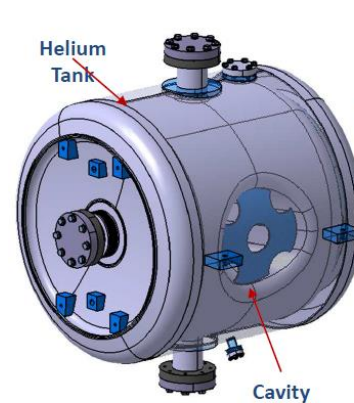


## Design and prototype superconducting Spoke cavities for the linac by CNRS/IN2P3 (IJCLab, Orsay)

- Design was performed
- Several treatments have been tested on 2 prototypes
  - Optimal surface treatment procedure producing excellent performance defined
    - buffered chemical processing (BCP) + H degassing at 650°C during 10h without post chemical etching
  - Procedure optimal in performance, but also in simplicity : important for a series of 60 cavities
- First cavities in production



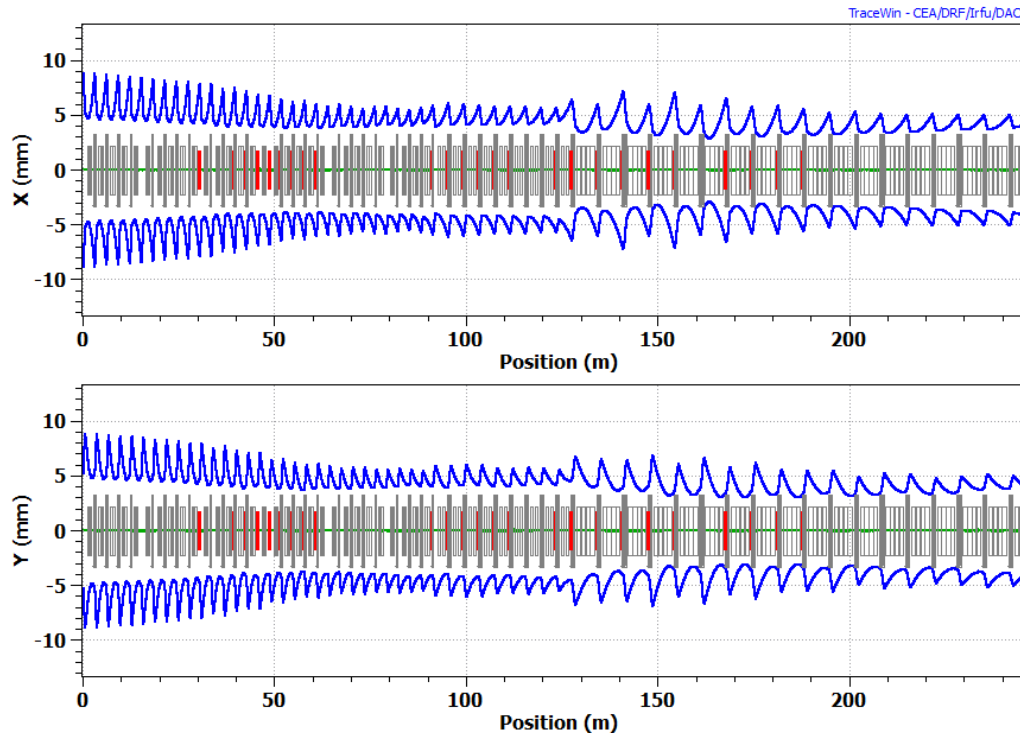
MYRRHA working point



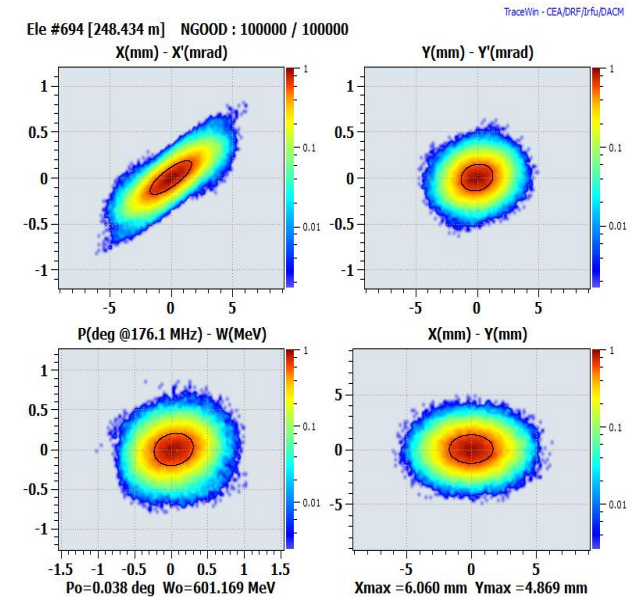
**One of the best performance  
for this type of Spoke cavity in the world**

◆ Perform beam transport simulations on the whole linac to minimize emittance growth and beam loss under all possible operation

- Ensure global coherence of the 600 MeV linac design
- Perform start-to-end beam simulations of the whole machine



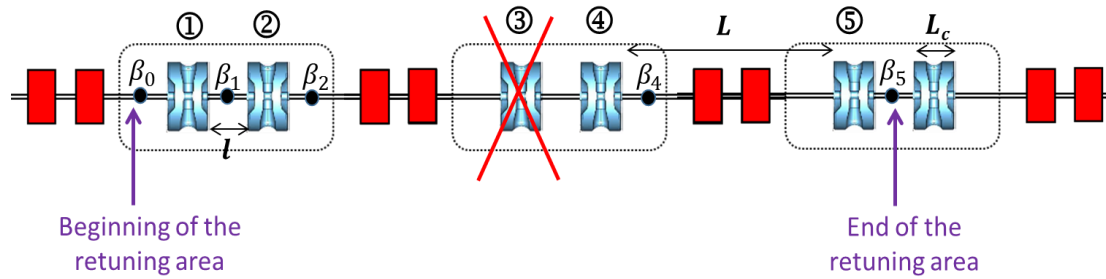
Beam envelope throughout the 600 MeV linac



Emittance at 600 MeV

◆ Beam dynamics performed for the 100 MeV linac as well

## ◇ Recovery in case of a failure of an accelerating cavity



## ◇ Goals of the method :

- ◇ **Conserve energy and phase at the exit of the retuning area (maintain time of flight)**
- ◇ Minimize variations of longitudinal transfer function
- ◇ Minimize abrupt variations of phase advance

## ◇ Method

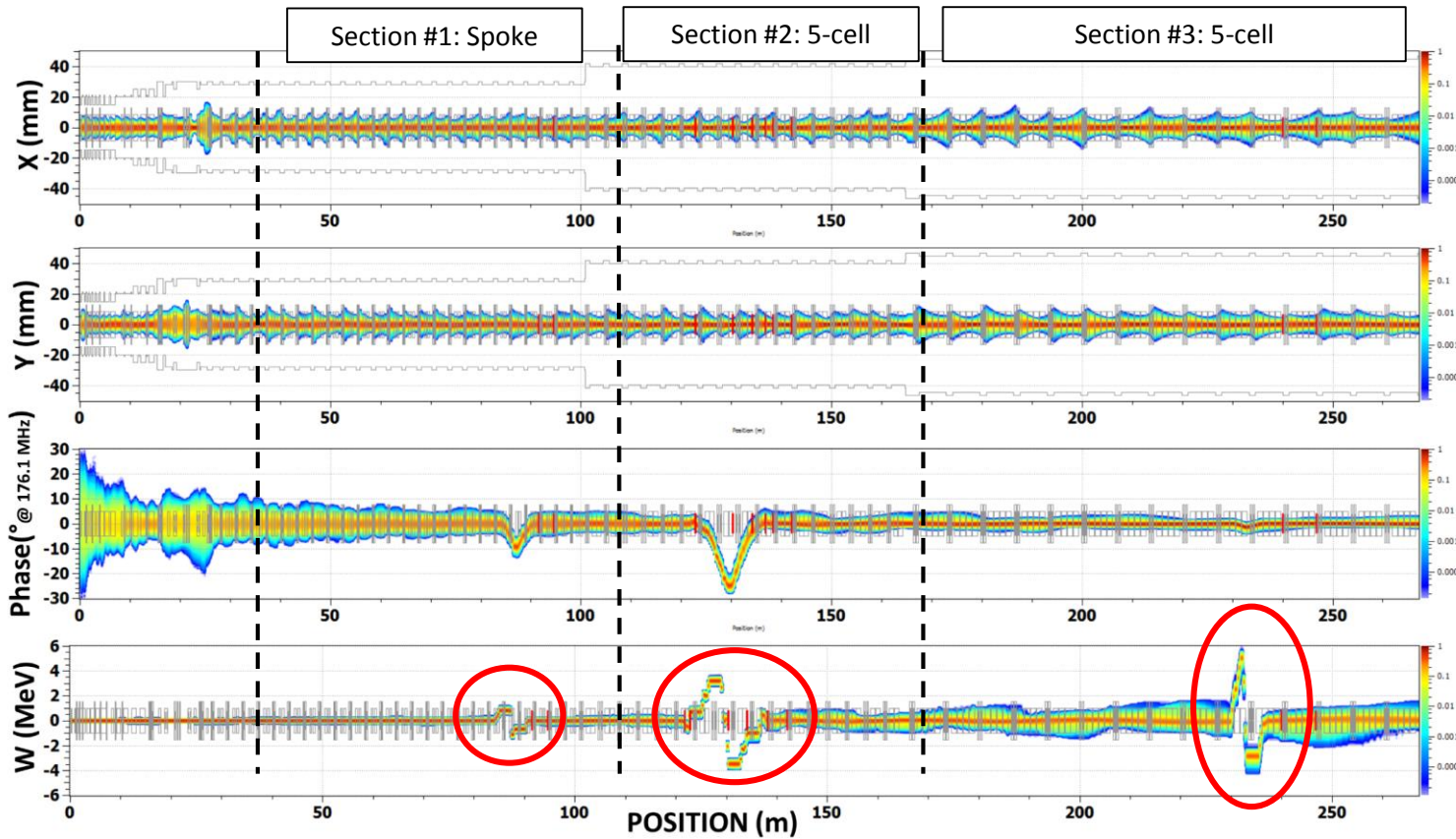
- ◇ Fast calculation of new operating set points of neighbouring cavities to build a data base
- ◇ Use « machine learning » to optimize the re-tuning algorithm

## ◇ Impact on the design of the control and tuning system of accelerating cavities

- ◇ Modelling and simulations of the Low Level RF system (to ensure accuracy and speed)

◆ Algorithm developed for algorithm for automatic retuning in case of multiple cavity failures

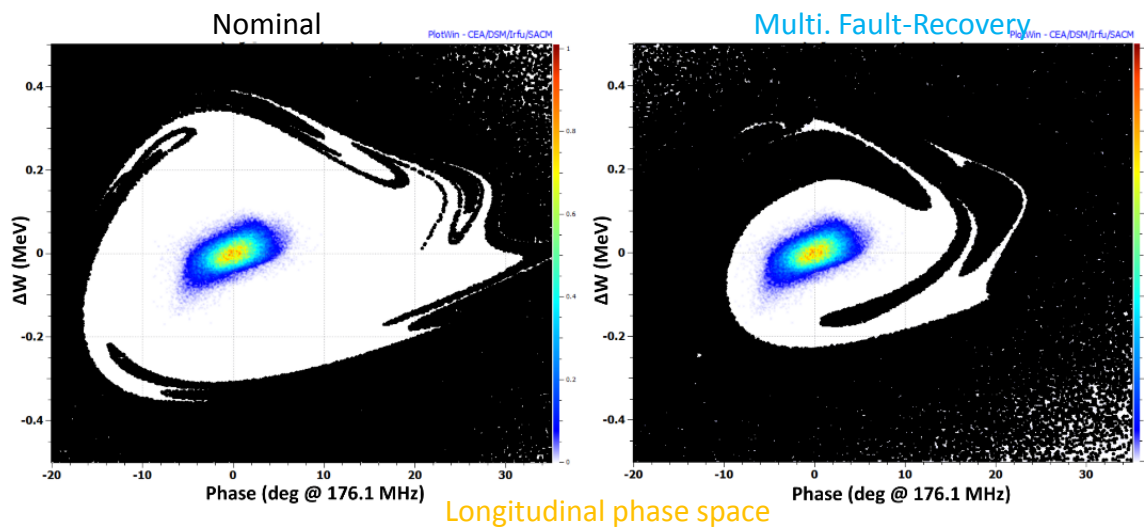
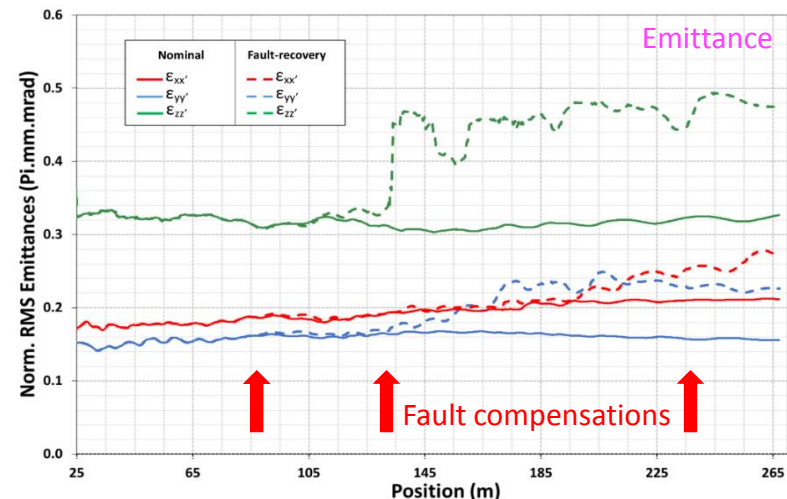
- Example with 3 failures : Section #1: 1 Spoke cavity, Section #2: 1 Cryomodule (i.e. 2 cavities), Section #3: 1 Elliptical cavity



Beam envelope in scenario with 3 failures

➔ Fault recovery algorithm successful

- ◆ Feasibility of beam retuning have been assessed
- ◆ Impact of fault compensation on beam dynamics
  - Losses (> 1W/m) can occur on a non perfect machine (statistical errors)
  - Fault compensation may induce
    - emittance growth
    - longitudinal acceptance decrease



➔ Further studies underway

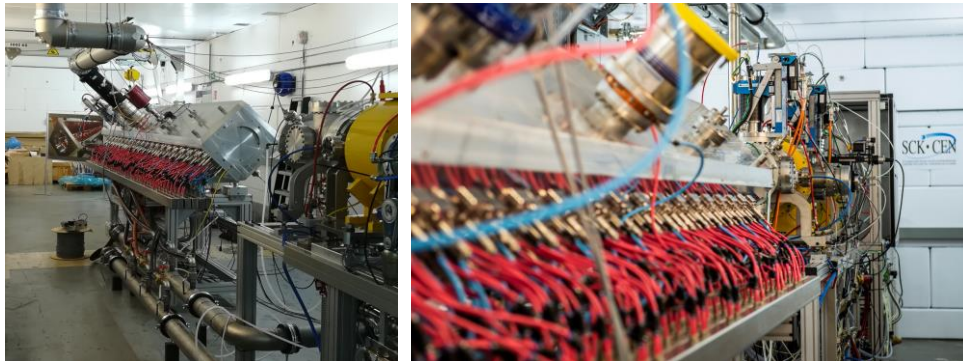
# 5. CONCLUSIONS



- Nuclear waste management is
  - a complex (& long-term) issue
  - in the frame of a much more complex (& shorter-term) hazard: sustainable energy & global warming
  
- Waste incineration & **ADS concept must be demonstrated at high power** (MYRRHA, Ci-ADS)
  
- Experimental program at low-power underway with GUINEVERE to define operational procedures and reactivity monitoring techniques of an ADS demonstrator
  
- Reference schemes of ADS demonstrators are based on a **~600 MeV, ~5 mA CW superconducting** proton LINAC  
 in the view of ADS at the industrial scale  $\sim 1\text{GeV}-1.3\text{ GeV}$ , 25-50 mA



- R&D focused on **reliability issues** and fault recovery
- This R&D also brings substantial impact on the availability of high power proton linacs beyond the ADS community
  - LINAC4 runs an advanced tracking of faults to quickly improve its availability
  - SNS performs fault compensation using the best cavities at the end of the linac
- Construction of ADS demonstrators linacs has started with commissioning of injectors of MYRRHA and Ci-ADS



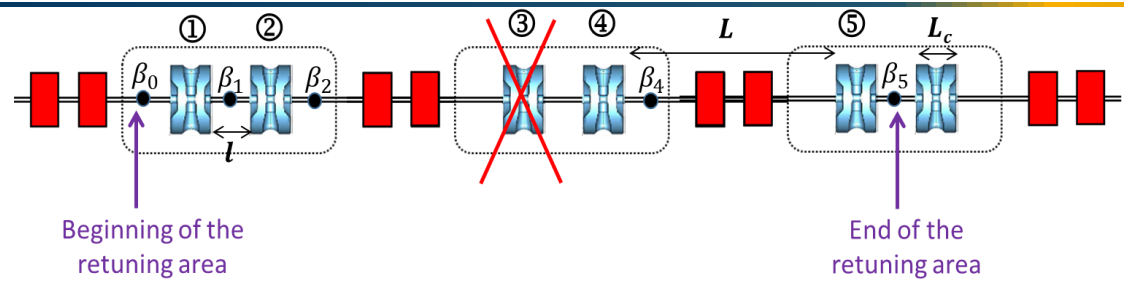
MYRRHA injector



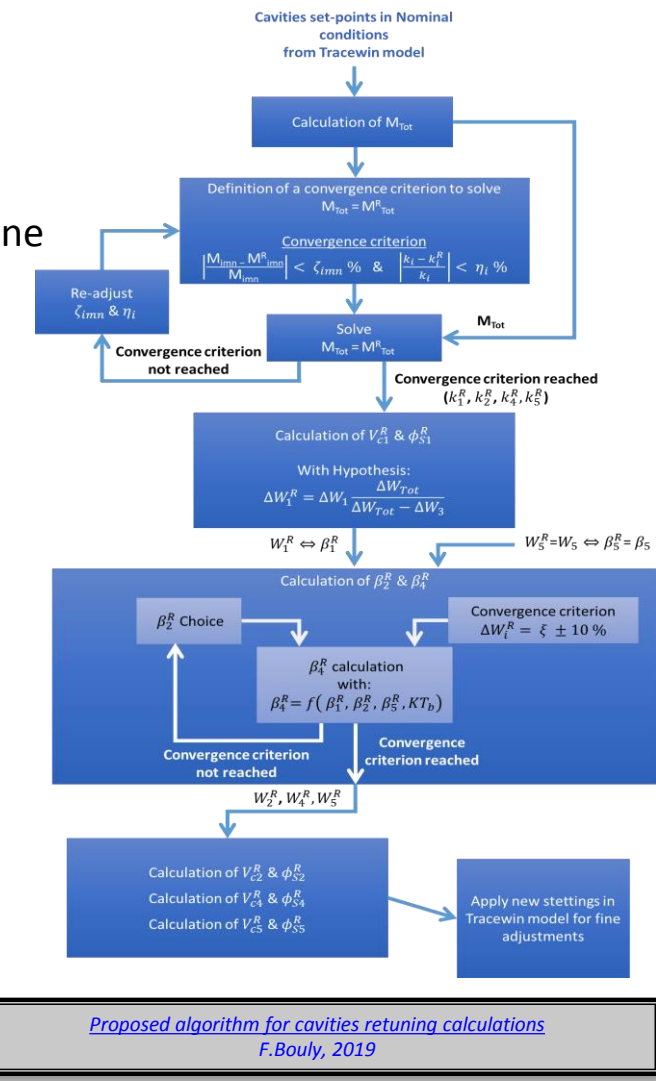
Ci-ADS injector : CAFe

- ADS demonstration is on the way

THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION



- ◆ Calcul rapide des nouveaux points de fonctionnement pour alimenter une base de données
- ◆ Objectifs/Principes de la méthode:
  - ◆ Retrouver la même énergie et la même phase en sortie de la 'zone de retuning'
  - ◆ Minimiser les variations de la fonction de transfert longitudinale
  - ◆ Minimiser les variations brusques d'avance de phase
- ◆ Utiliser des méthodes de « machine learning » pour optimiser l'algorithme



Improvement with retuning method

