



Cyclotrons for Research and Medical Application

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Cyclotrons - Outline

- cyclotron concepts
 - history of the cyclotron, basic concepts and scalings, focusing, classification of cyclotron-like accelerators
- medical cyclotrons
 - requirements for medical applications, cyclotron vs. synchrotron, present research: moving organs, contour scanning, cost/size optimization; examples
- cyclotrons for research
 - high intensity, varying ions, injection/extraction challenge, existing large cyclotrons, new developments
- summary
 - development routes, Pro's and Con's of cyclotrons



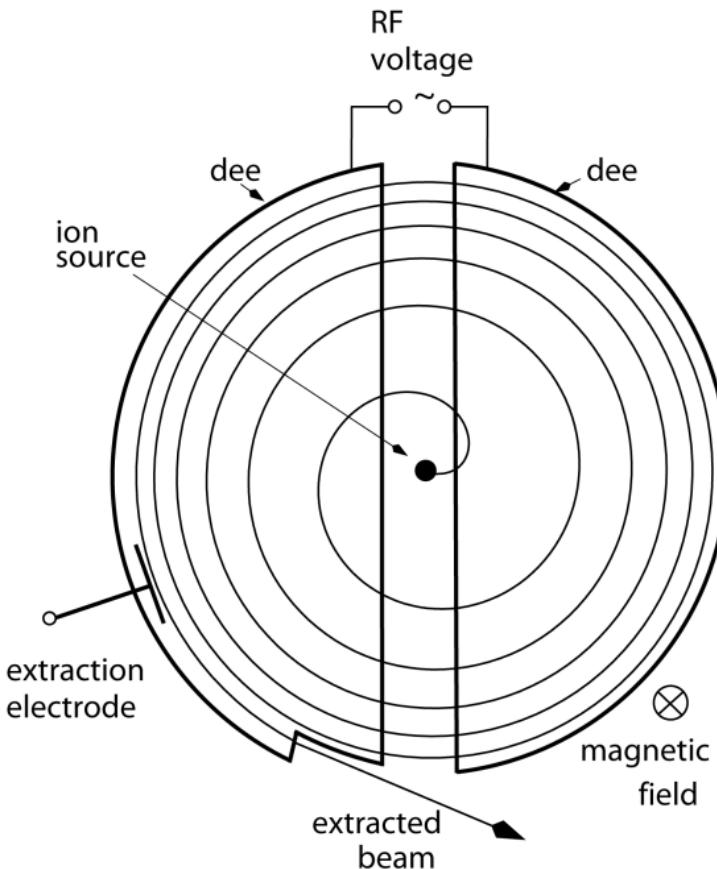
The Classical Cyclotron

two capacitive electrodes „Dees“, two gaps per turn
internal ion source
homogenous B field
constant revolution time
(for low energy, $\gamma \approx 1$)

$$\omega_c = \frac{eB_z}{\gamma m}$$

powerful concept:

- simplicity, compactness
- continuous injection/extraction
- multiple usage of accelerating voltage



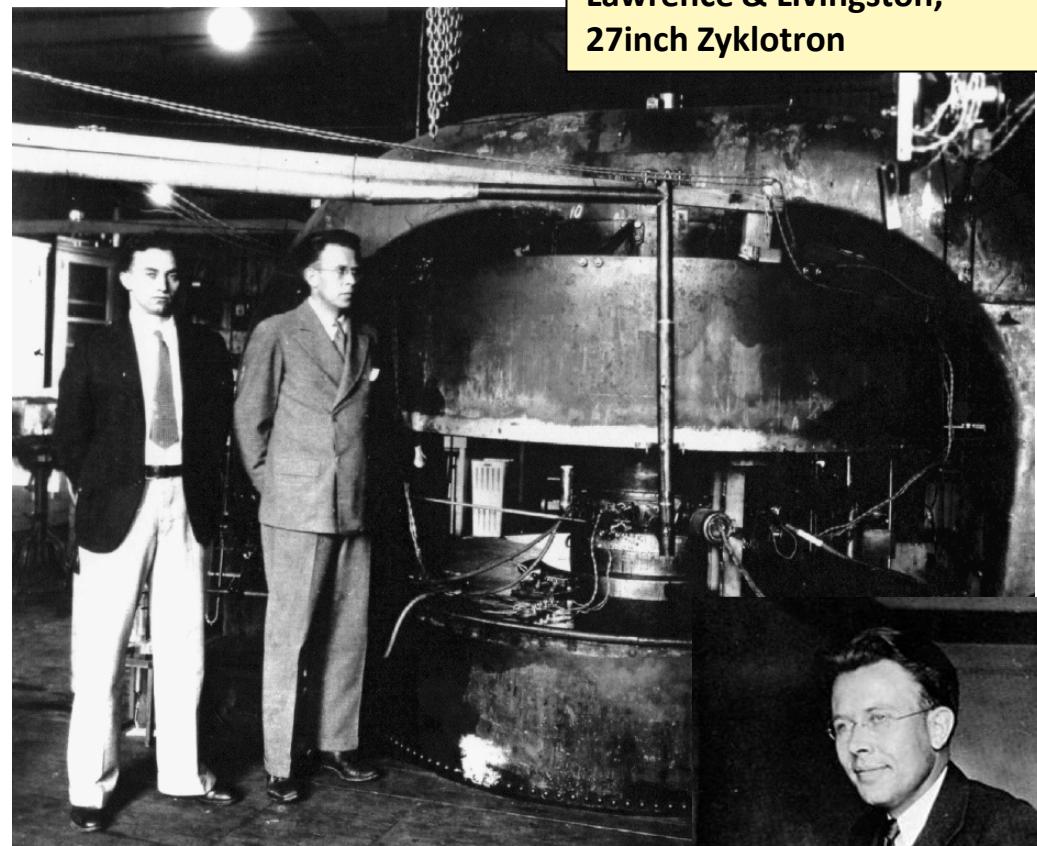
some History ...

first cyclotron: 1931, Berkeley

1kV gap-voltage 80keV Protons



Lawrence & Livingston,
27inch Zyklotron



Ernest Lawrence, Nobel Prize 1939

*"for the invention and development of the cyclotron
and for results obtained with it, especially with
regard to artificial radioactive elements"*

John Lawrence (center), 1940'ies

*first medical applications: treating patients with
neutrons generated in the 60inch cyclotron*

classical cyclotron - isochronicity and scalings

continuous acceleration → revolution time should stay constant, though E_k, R vary
magnetic rigidity:

$$BR = \frac{p}{e} = \beta\gamma \frac{m_0 c}{e}$$

orbit radius from isochronicity: deduced scaling of B :

$$R = \frac{c}{\omega_c} \beta = R_\infty \beta$$

$$R \propto \beta; BR \propto \beta\gamma \rightarrow B(R) \propto \gamma(R)$$

→ thus, to keep the isochronous condition, B must be raised in proportion to $\gamma(R)$

the field index describes the (normalized) radial slope of the bending field, is negative if isochronous!

$$n = -\frac{R}{B} \frac{dB}{dR} = -\frac{\beta}{\gamma} \frac{d\gamma}{d\beta} = 1 - \gamma^2 < 0$$

from equation of motion, betatron tunes in cyclotron:

$$\nu_r = \sqrt{1-n} \approx \gamma; \quad \nu_z = \sqrt{n}$$

contradicting findings!



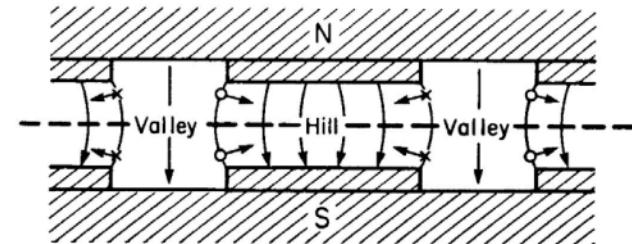
sector cyclotrons – solution to the focusing problem

hill / valley variation of magnetic field (Thomas focusing) makes it possible to design cyclotrons for higher energies

Flutter factor:

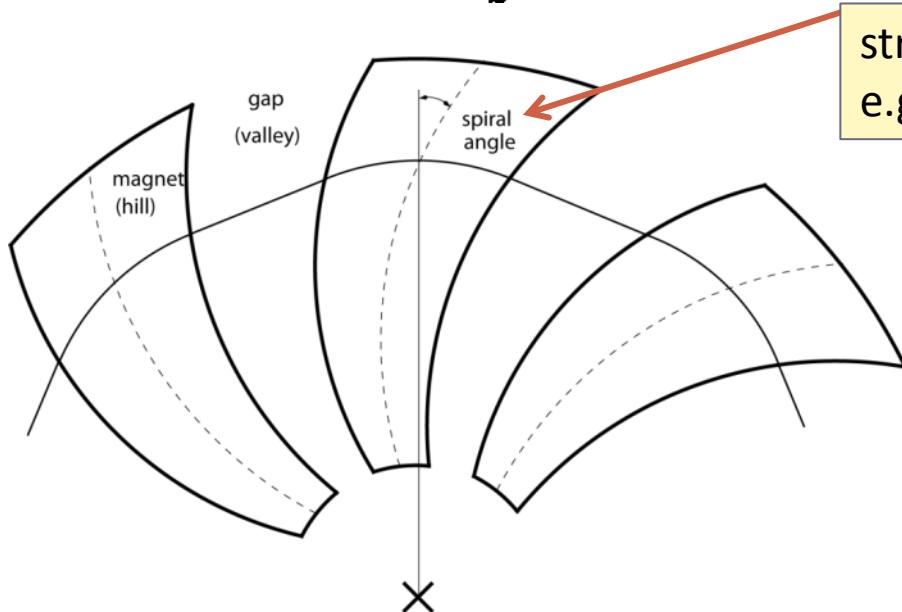
$$F^2 = \frac{\overline{B_z^2} - \overline{B_z}^2}{\overline{B_z}^2}$$

with flutter and additional spiral angle of bending field:



[illustration of focusing at edges]

$$\nu_z^2 = -\frac{R}{B_z} \frac{dB_z}{dR} + F^2(1 + 2\tan^2 \delta)$$



strong term
e.g.: $\delta=27^\circ$: $2\tan^2\delta = 1.0$



in a cyclotron two conditions must be met

1.) resonant acceleration

- limit energy / ignore problem
[classical cyclotron]

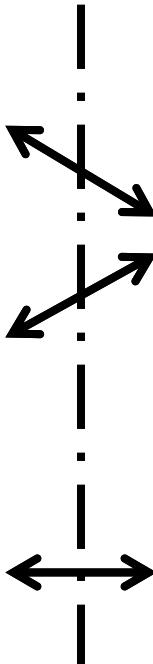
- frequency is varied, slope neg
[synchro- cyclotron]

- avg. field slope positive
[isochronous cyclotron]

2.) vertical focusing

- negative field slope
[classical/synchro cyclotron]

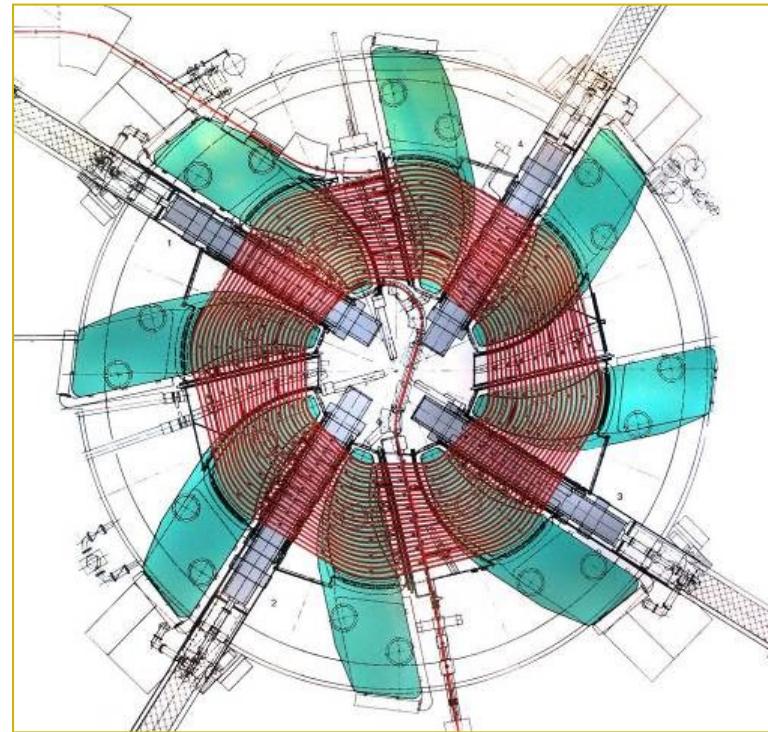
- focusing by flutter, spiral angle
[AVF/sector cyclotron]



Azimuthally Varying Field vs. Separated Sector Cyclotrons



PSI/Varian comet: 250MeV sc. medical cyclotron



PSI Ring cyclotron

- **AVF = single pole with shaping**
- often **spiral poles** used
- **internal source** possible
- **D-type RF electrodes**, rel. low energy gain
- **compact**, cost effective
- depicted Varian cyclotron: 80% extraction efficiency; **not suited for high power**

- **modular layout**, larger cyclotrons possible, sector magnets, box resonators, stronger focusing, injection/extraction in straight sections
- **external injection** required, i.e. pre-accelerator
- **box-resonators** (high voltage gain)
- high **extraction efficiency** possible:
e.g. PSI: $99.98\% = (1 - 2 \cdot 10^{-4})$



energy reach - K value

- **cyclotron K -value:**

→ K is the **kinetic energy reach** for protons **from bending strength** in non-relativistic approximation:

$$K = \frac{e^2}{2m_0}(B\rho)^2$$

→ K can be used to rescale the energy reach of protons to other charge-to-mass ratios:

$$\frac{E_k}{A} = K \left(\frac{Q}{A} \right)^2$$

→ K in [MeV] is often used for naming cyclotrons

examples: K-130 cyclotron / Jyväskylä (Finland)

 cyclone C230 / IBA (Belgium)



cyclotron radius increment

nonrelativistic:

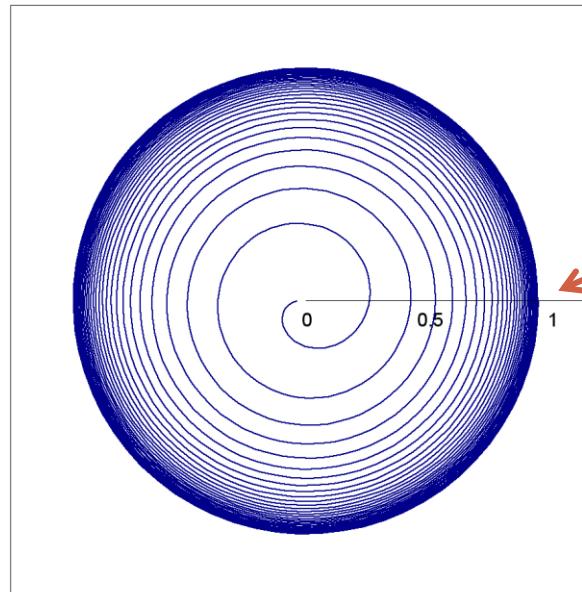
$$\Delta R = \frac{\Delta E_k}{E_k} \frac{R}{2} \propto \frac{1}{R}$$

relativistic:

$$\Delta R = \frac{\Delta E_k}{E_k} \frac{R}{\gamma^2 - 1} \propto \frac{1}{R\gamma^3}$$

cyclotron language
(theoretical number)

radius increment per turn
decreases with increasing radius
**→ extraction becomes more and
more difficult at higher energies**



$$R = R_\infty \cdot \beta$$



cyclotrons work at intermediate relativistic energies

A.Einstein
1879-1955

$$\frac{d\beta}{\beta} = \frac{1}{\gamma(\gamma + 1)} \frac{dE_k}{E_k}$$

energy
 $E = \gamma E_0$

kinetic energy:
 $E_k = (\gamma - 1)E_0$

$$\frac{dE_k}{E_k} = \frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma} \frac{dp}{p}$$



velocity

$$v = \beta c$$

momentum

$$p = \beta \gamma m_0 c$$

revolution time:

$$\tau = \frac{2\pi R}{\beta c}$$

$$\frac{dp}{p} = \gamma^2 \frac{d\beta}{\beta}$$

bending strength:

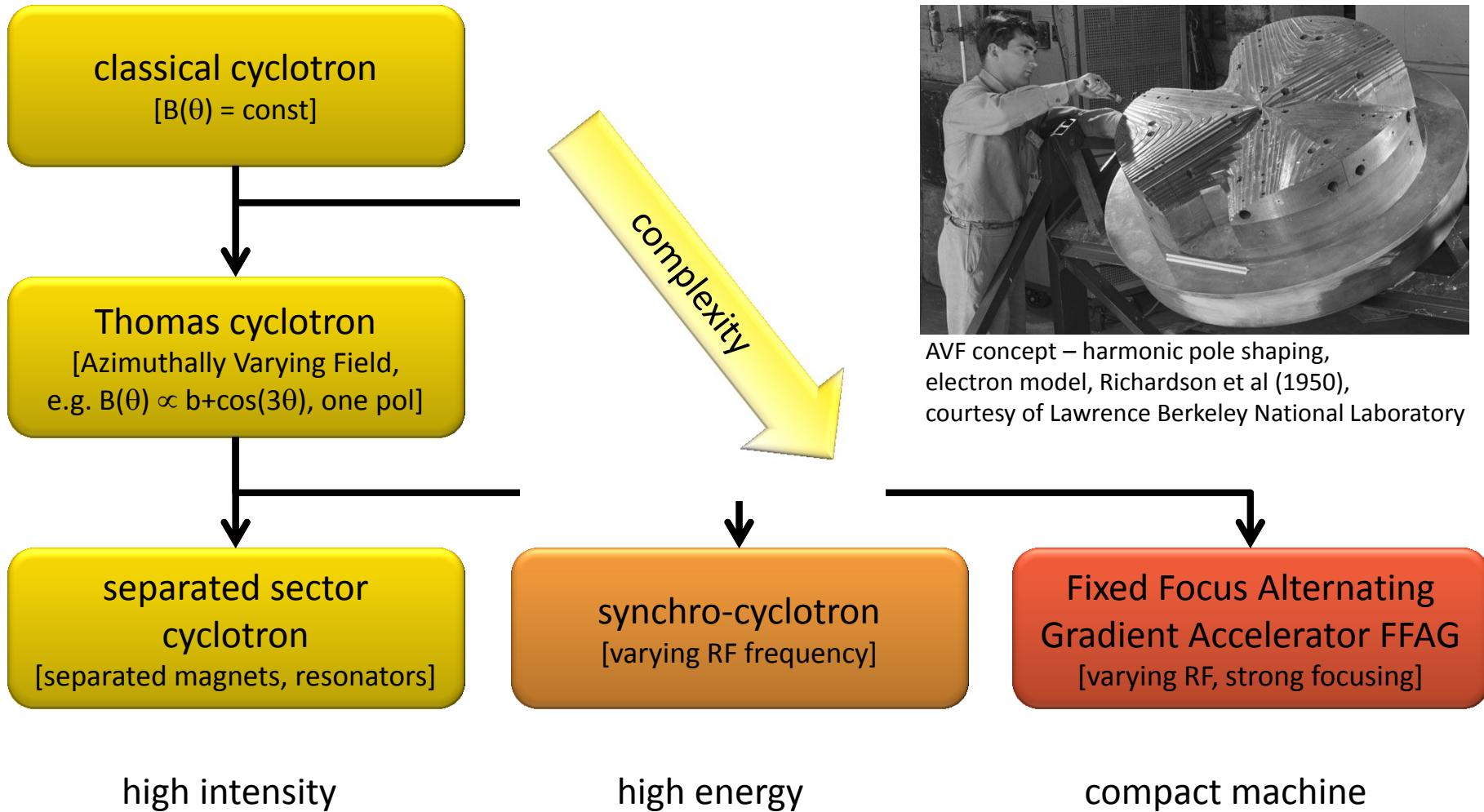
$$BR = \beta \gamma \frac{m_0 c}{e}$$

PSI cyclotron for protons

E_k [MeV]	γ	β	p [MeV/c]
590	1.63	0.79	1207



classification of cyclotron like accelerators



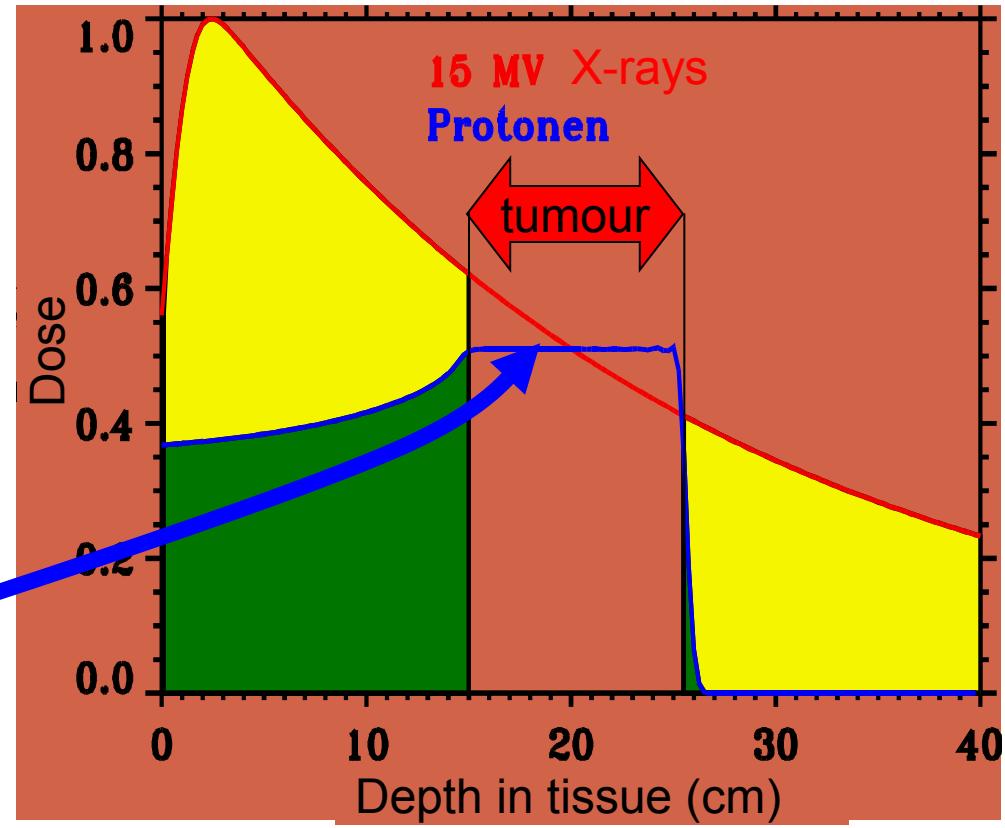
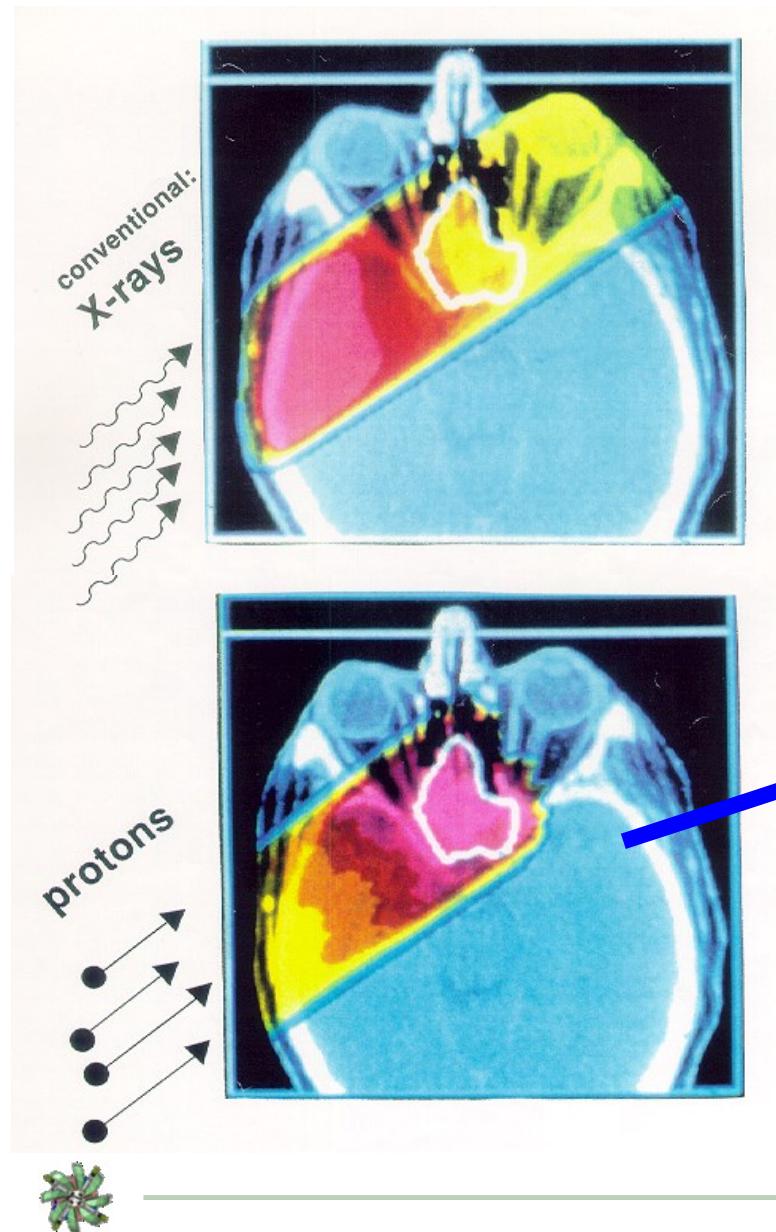
AVF concept – harmonic pole shaping,
electron model, Richardson et al (1950),
courtesy of Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory



- next: **medical cyclotrons**
 - particle therapy; scanning technology
 - new developments
 - isotope production



cancer treatment: X-rays vs. Protons

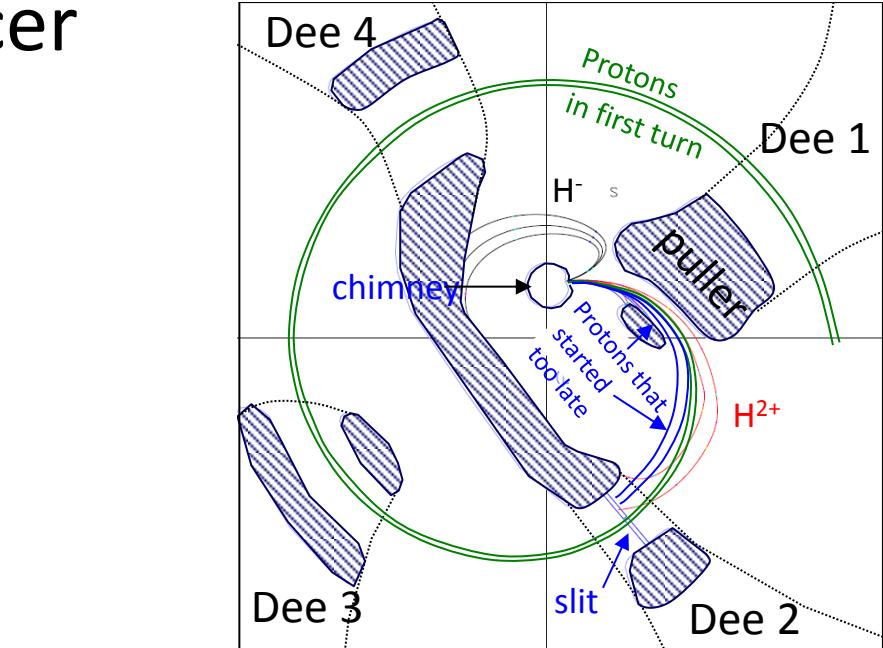


[M.Schippers]

Why Cyclotrons for Cancer Treatment?

in favour of cyclotrons:

- 250MeV: suited energy for cyclotrons
- cost effective and compact; single s.c. magnet possible
- continuous beam; lots of intensity reserve, e.g. repainting, moving organs
- precise and fast intensity modulation at low energy possible



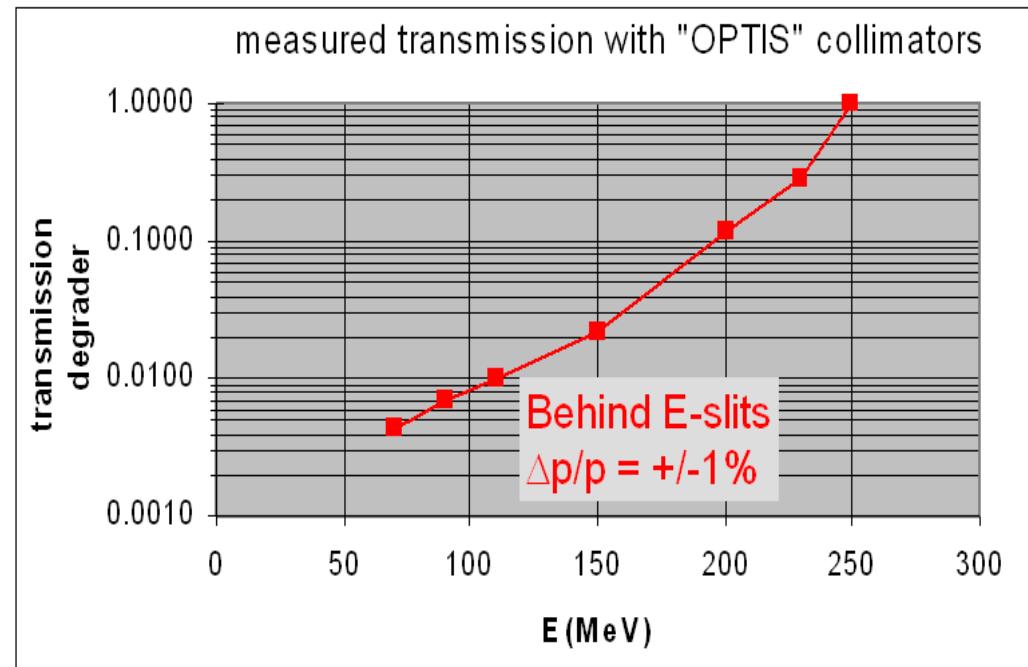
chimney
= ion source

deflector
electrode
for intensity
regulation

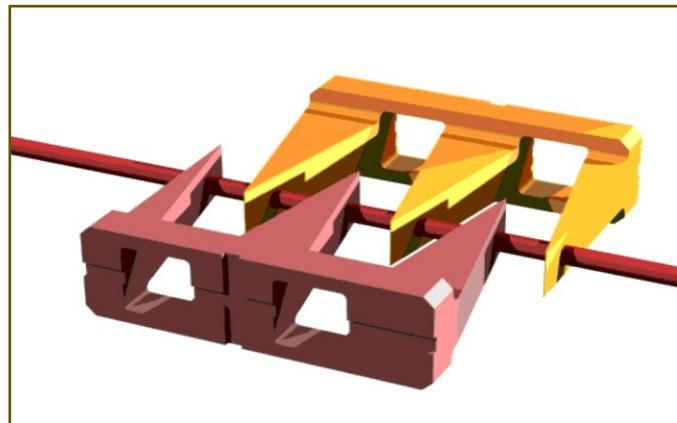


However, Cyclotron needs degrader :

- cyclotron has fixed energy; need **degrader** for energies down to 70MeV
- collimation after degrader to keep emittance → lose intensity with degrader



degrader: (carbon wedges in vacuum) and laminated beam line magnets for fast energy changes < 80 ms / step



PSI's Proscan Facility

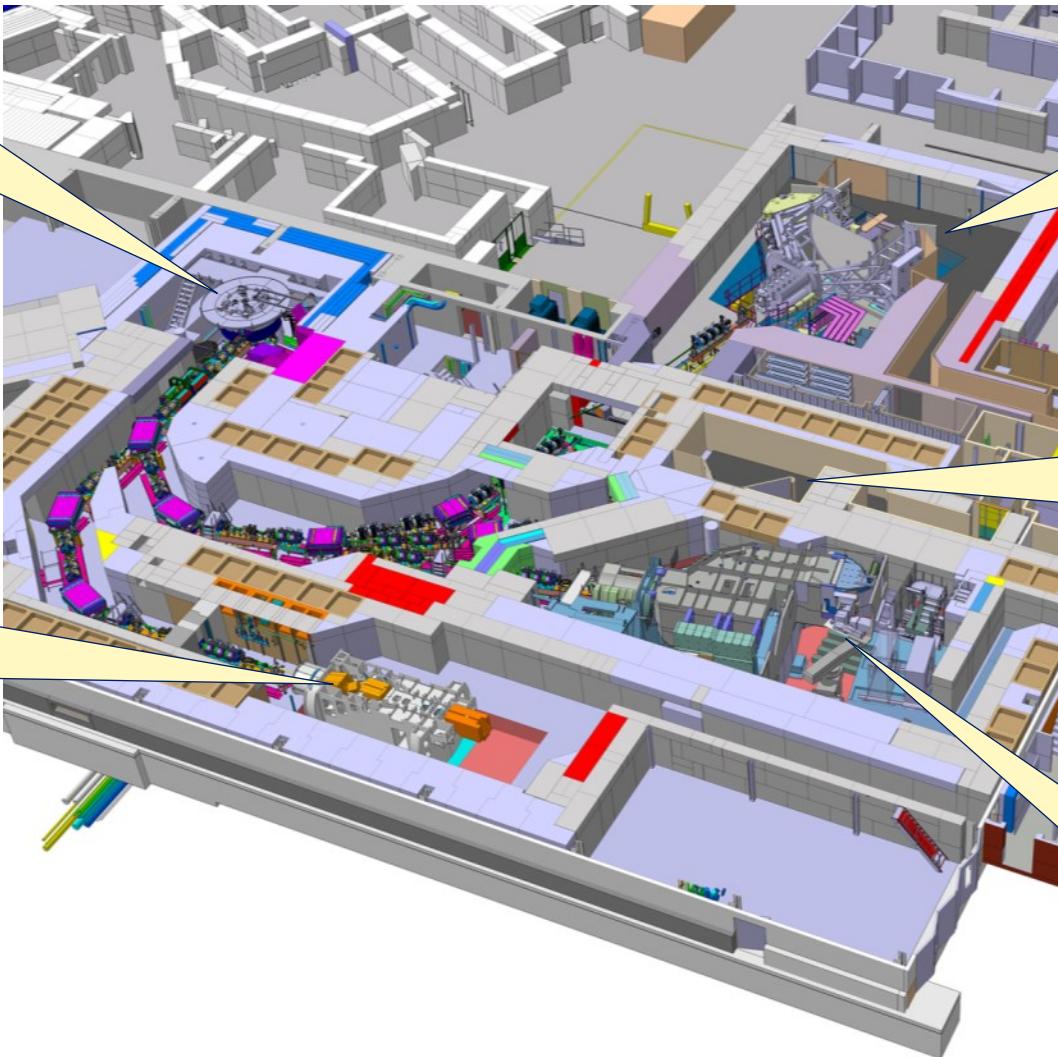
s.c. cyclotron
Comet
0.8m extraction
radius

Gantry 3
under construction

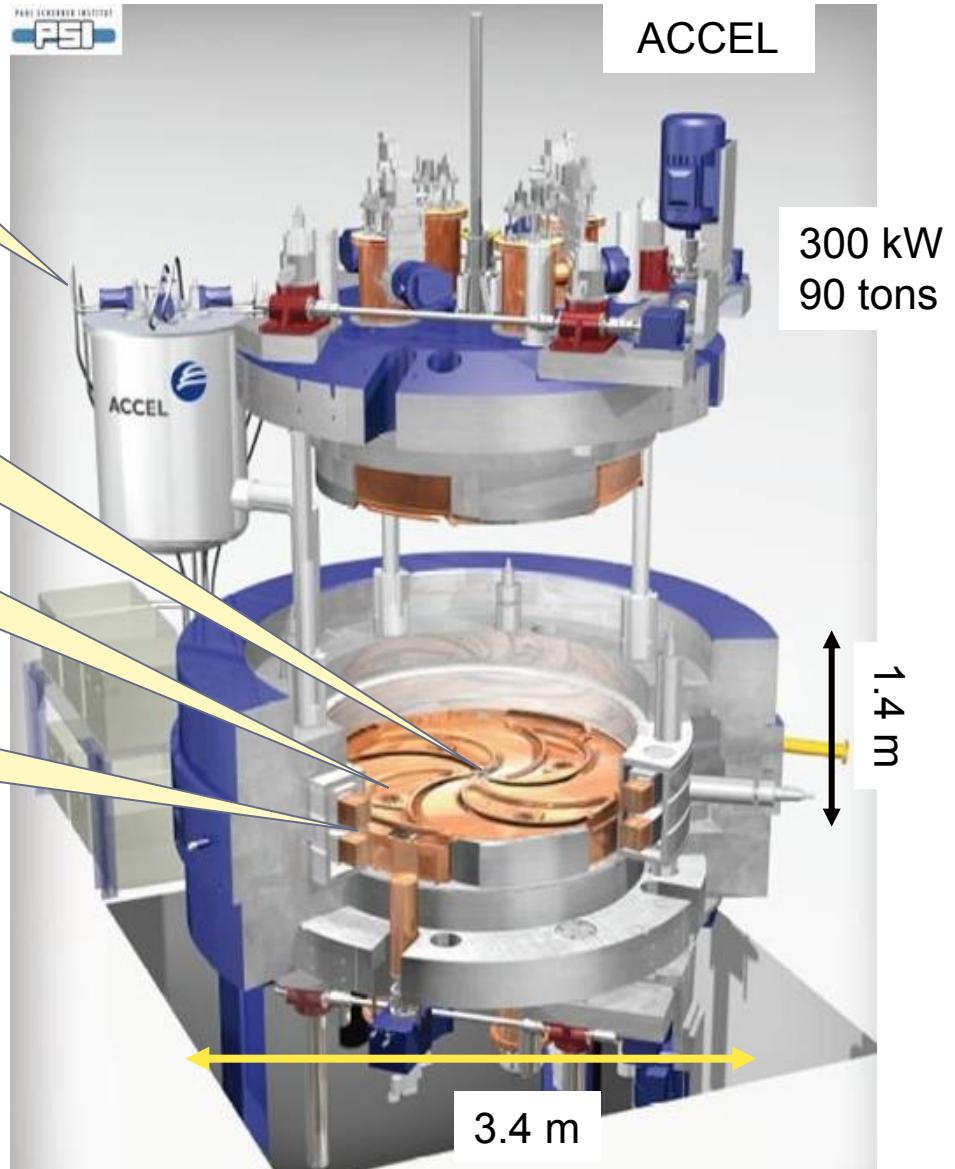
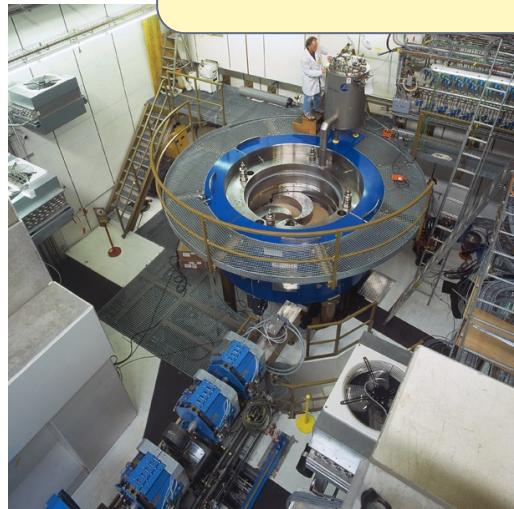
Gantry 1
range shifter

OPTIS
eye melanoma
treatment, 70MeV

Gantry 2
fast scanning,
innovative

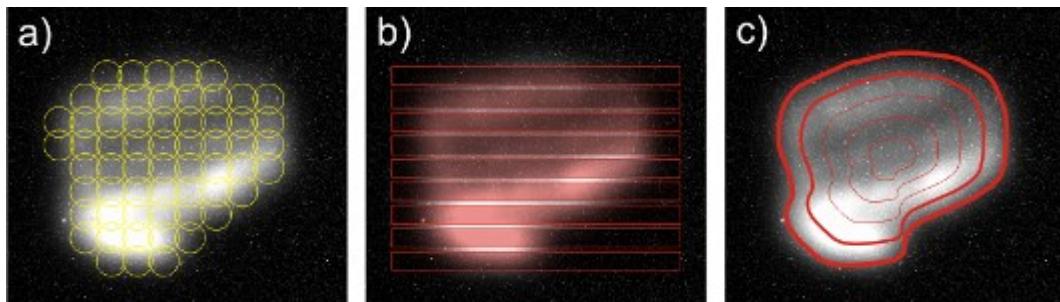


250 MeV proton cyclotron (ACCEL/Varian)

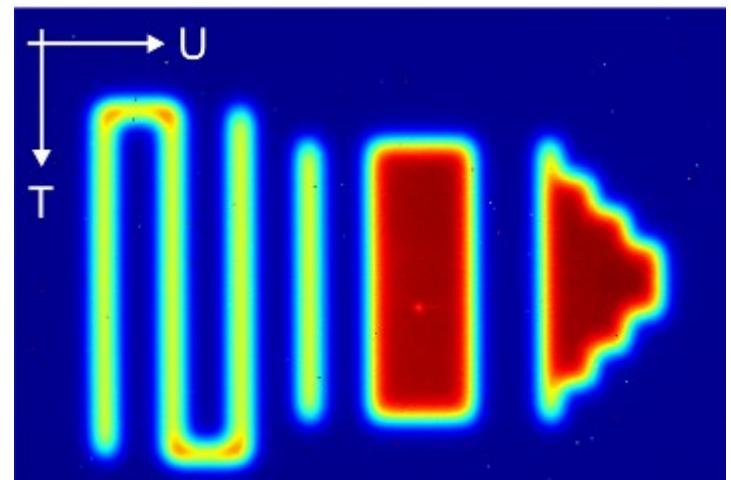
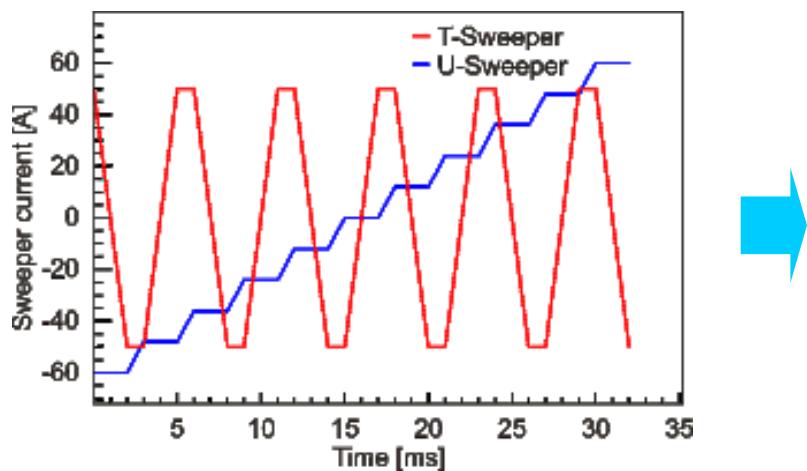
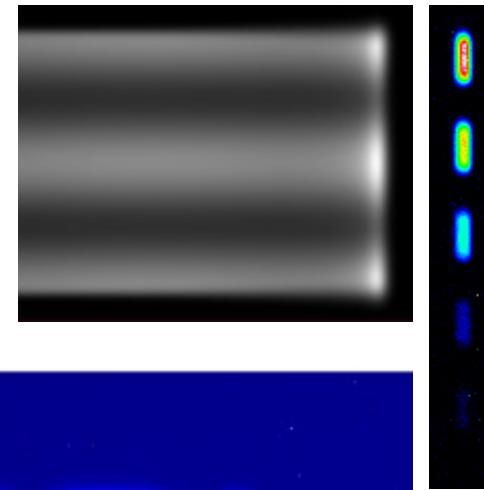


PSI developments: different scanning options [D.Meer]

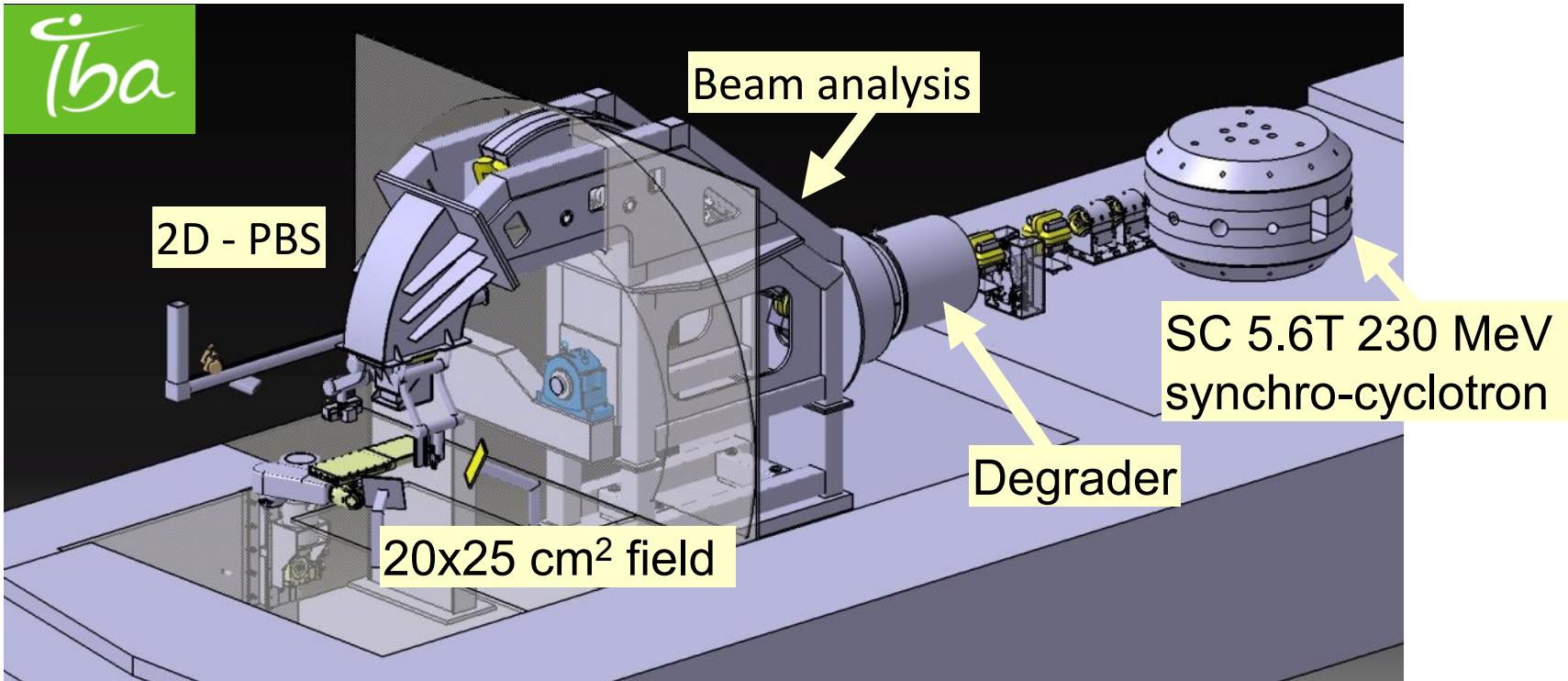
- a) **Spot scanning** as the default mode
- b) **Lines scanning** for max. repainting
- c) **Contours scanning** for optimizing repainting and lateral fall-off (?)



- **Vertical deflector plate for intensity modulation**
 - Fast intensity control on time scale of 100 ms
- **Requires flexible control system**
 - control of fast actuators (sweepers, deflector plate) with 100 kHz
 - tabulated dose delivery based on state-of-the-art electronics (FPGA)
 - example: Painting shaped energy iso-layer



new development by IBA:
compact treatment facility using the high field synchro-cyclotron

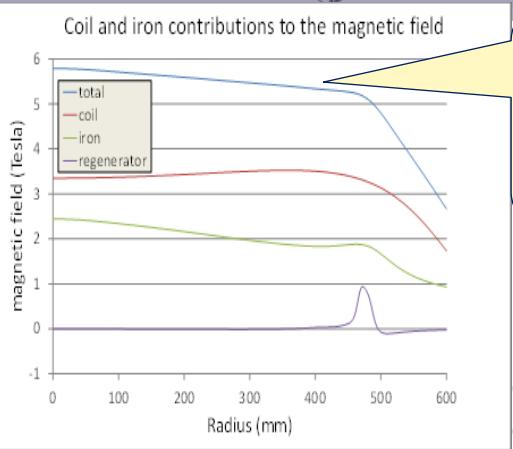
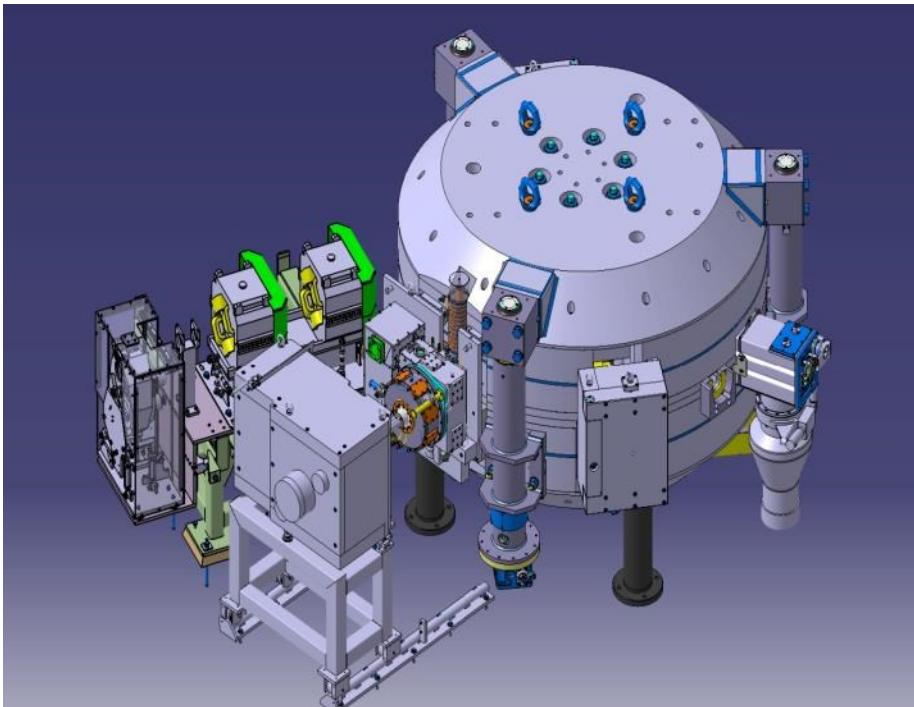


- required area: $24 \times 13.5 \text{ m}^2$ (is small)
- 2-dim pencil beam scanning



S2C2 overview

General system layout and parameters



Synchro-Cyclotron
field decreasing
with radius !

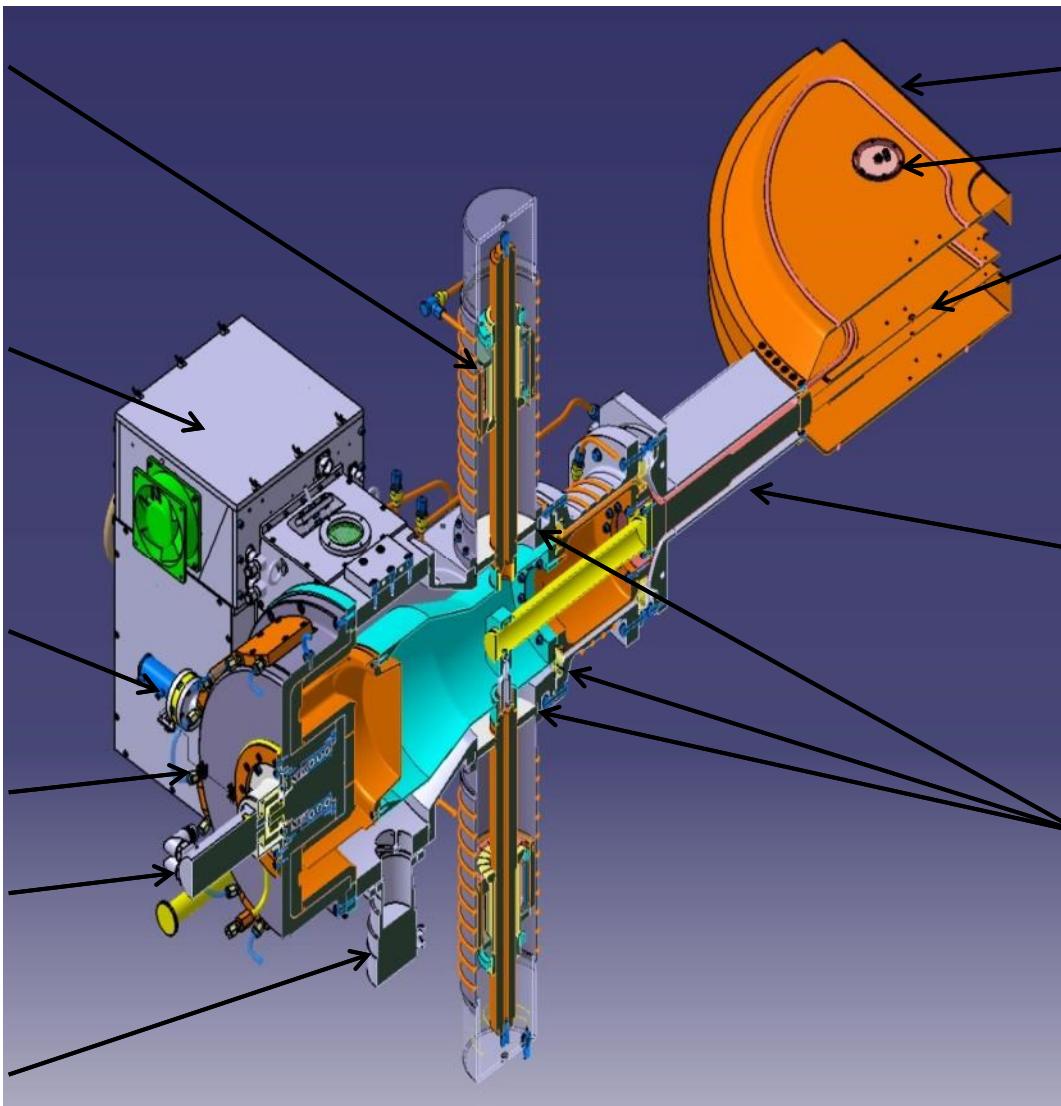
Maximum Energy	230/250 MeV
Size yoke/pole radius weight	1.25 m/0.50 m 50 tons
Coil ramp up rate / time windings/coil stored energy	NbTi - wire in channel 2-3A/min / 4 hours 3145 12 MJ
Magnetic field central/extraction	5.7 T/5.0 T
Cryo cooling initial cooldown recovery after quench	conductive 4 cryocoolers 1.5 W 12 days less than 1 day
Beam pulse rate/length	1000 Hz/7 μ sec
RF system frequency voltage	self-oscillating 93-63 MHz 10 kV
Extraction	Passive regenerative
Ion source	PIG cold cathode
Central region	removable module

RF-system

W.Kleeven, IBA

layout

Adjustable stub



Liner

RF pick-up

Dee

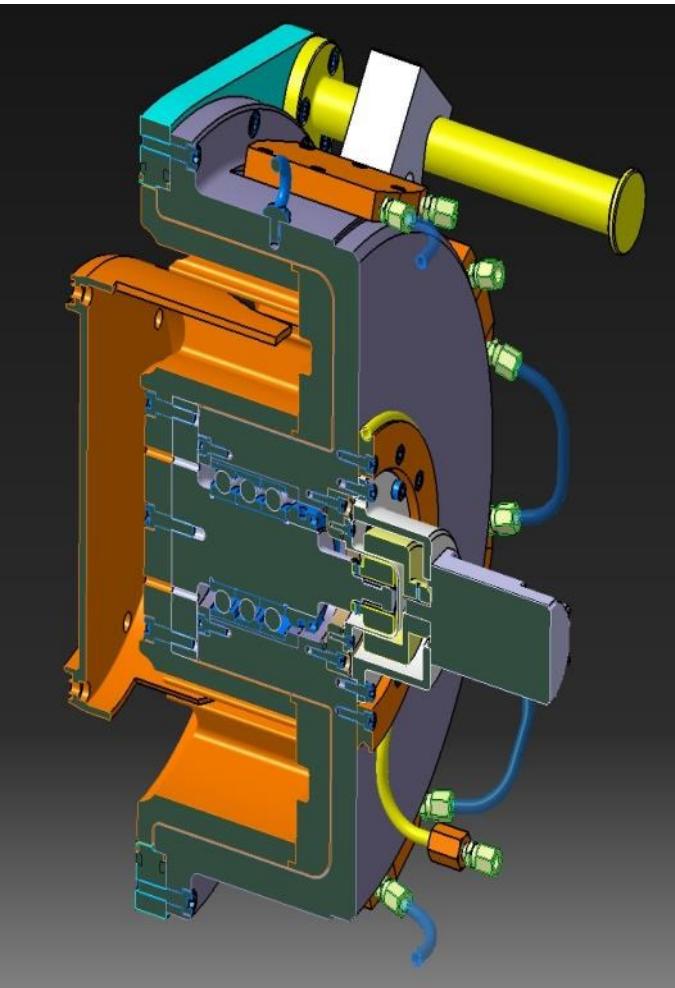
Line through
cryostat

Vacuum
feedthrough

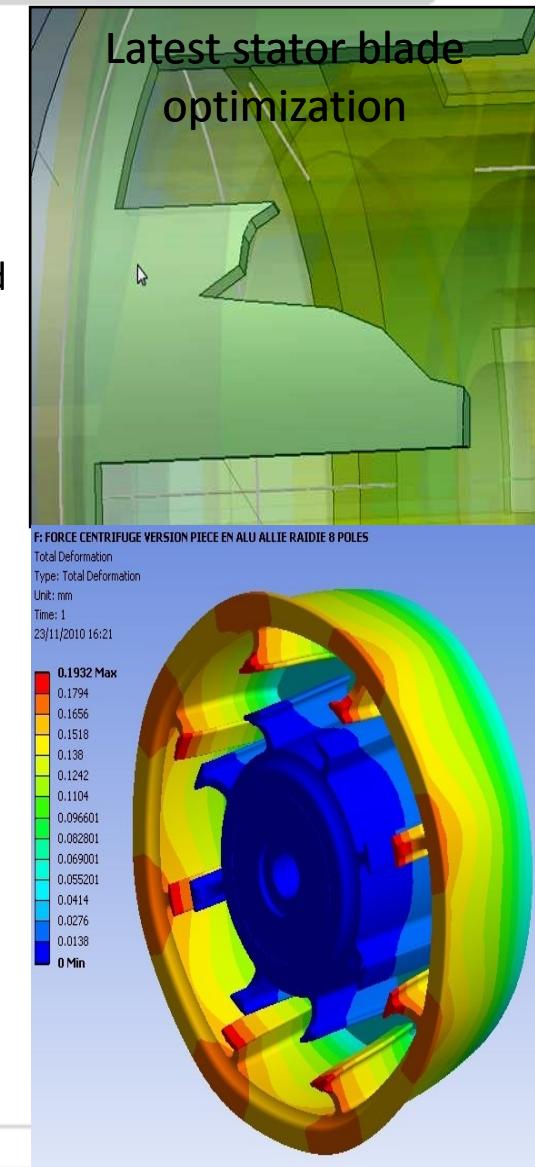
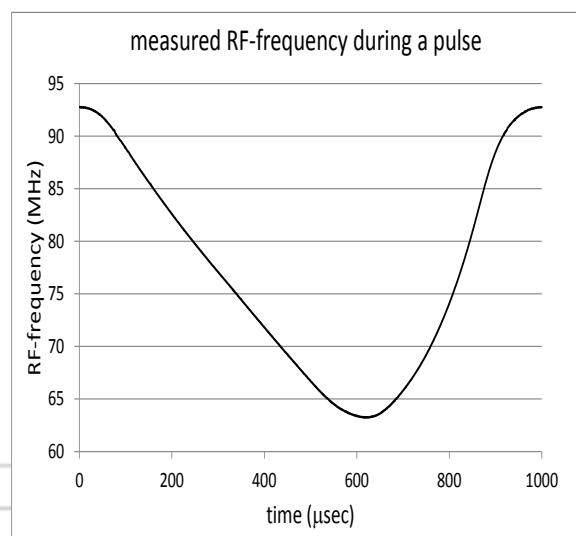
RF-system

W.Kleeven, IBA

Rotco=> Coaxially mounted with 8-fold symmetry



Innovative/patented design:
excellent mechanical stability and
good pulse reproducibility
Stator: 8 blades with a carefully
designed profile to have the desired
 df/dt curve.
Rotor: wheel with 2x8 electrodes
turning at 7500rpm (1 kHz pulse)



Carbon Ions vs. Protons

Pro Carbon:

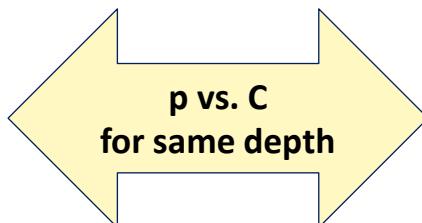
- higher dE/dx produces more *correlated damage* in DNA of cancer cells; hence more effective; potentially less fractions
- smaller rms scattering angles within body tissue allows better focusing of beam in target volume

Contra Carbon:

- significantly higher bending strength required → accelerator, beam transport and Gantry are more expensive
- tail of dose can reach to higher depth since C-nucleus could be split, which is not the case for p

250 MeV Protons:

$$(B\rho)_p = 2.43 \text{ Tm}$$



Heidelberg Gantry for Carbon,
670 tons

450 MeV/nucleon Carbon:

$$(B\rho)_C = 6.83 \text{ Tm}$$



Cyclotron for carbon ions

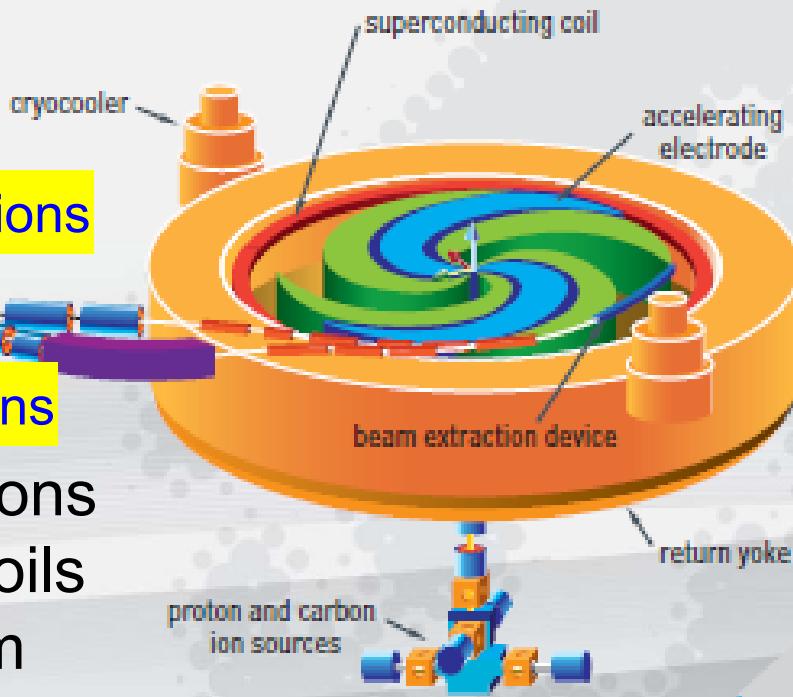
Archade project, Caen (Fr)

IBA

Carbon ions

extr protons

700 tons
SC coils
 \varnothing 7 m



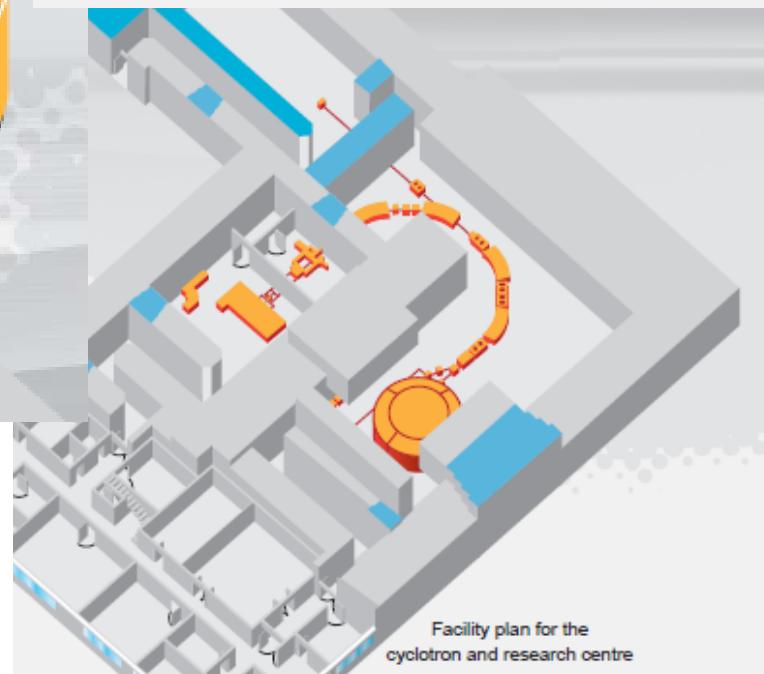
Int. Conf. Cyclotron and appl, Tokyo 2004

IBA C400 CYCLOTRON PROJECT FOR HADRON THERAPY

Y. Jongen, M. Abs, W. Beeckman, A. Blondin, W. Kleeven, D. Vandeplassche, S. Zaremba,
IBA, Belgium

V. Aleksandrov, A. Glazov, S. Gurskiy, G. Karamysheva, N. Kazarinov, S. Kostromin,
N. Morozov, E. Samsonov, V. Shevtsov, G. Shirkov, E. Syresin, A. Tuzikov, JINR, Russia.

Archade
ADVANCED RESOURCE CENTRE
FOR HADRONTHERAPY IN EUROPE



compact cyclotrons for Isotope production



vertical setup (!)

CYCLONE 30 (IBA) : H⁻ 15 à 30 MeV



next:

High Intensity Cyclotrons

- PSI facility; technological aspects; beam loss
- application for ADS systems
- ions and RIB's

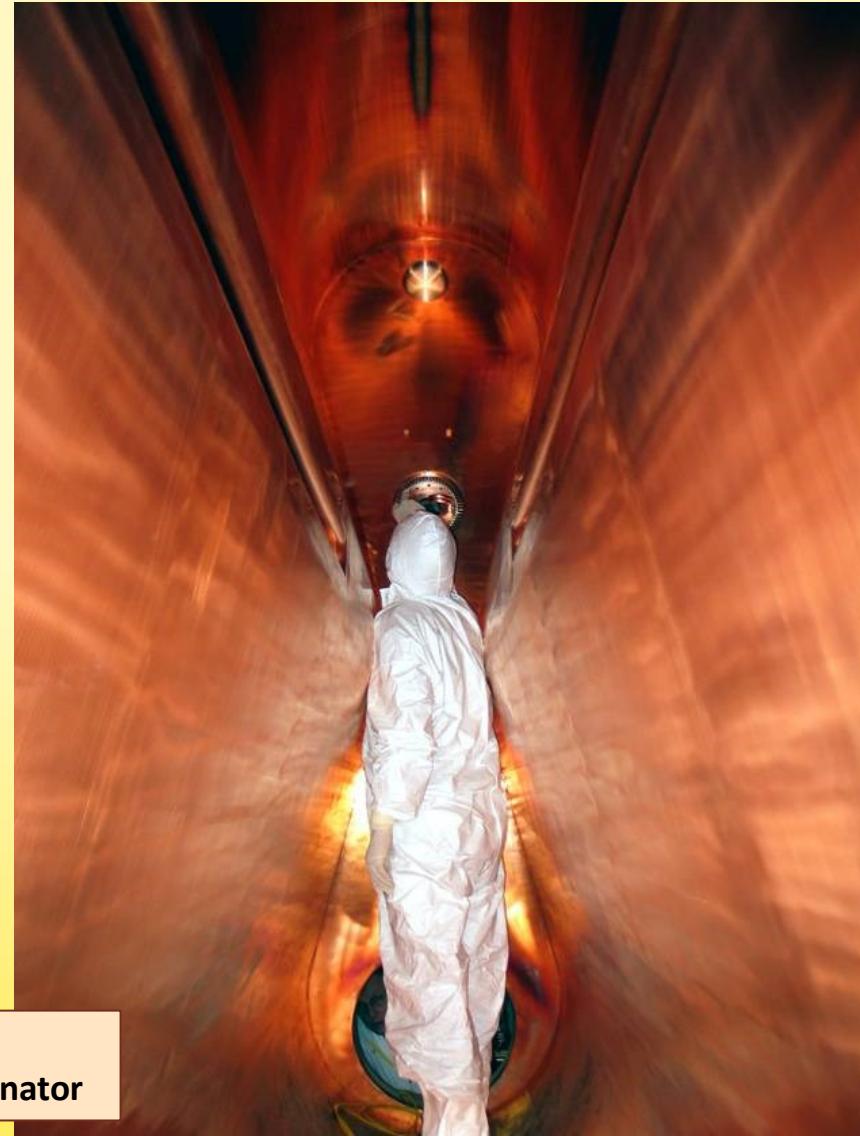


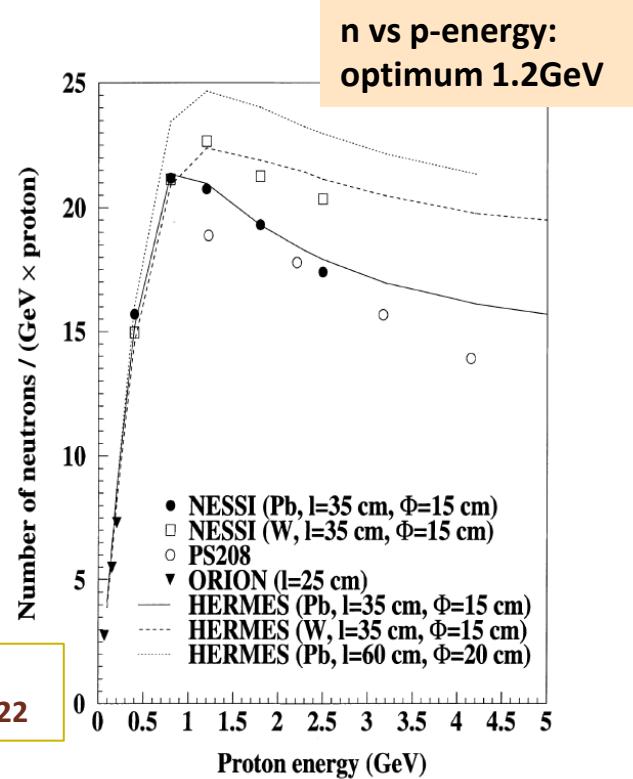
figure:
person inside resonator



High Intensity Beams – Applications

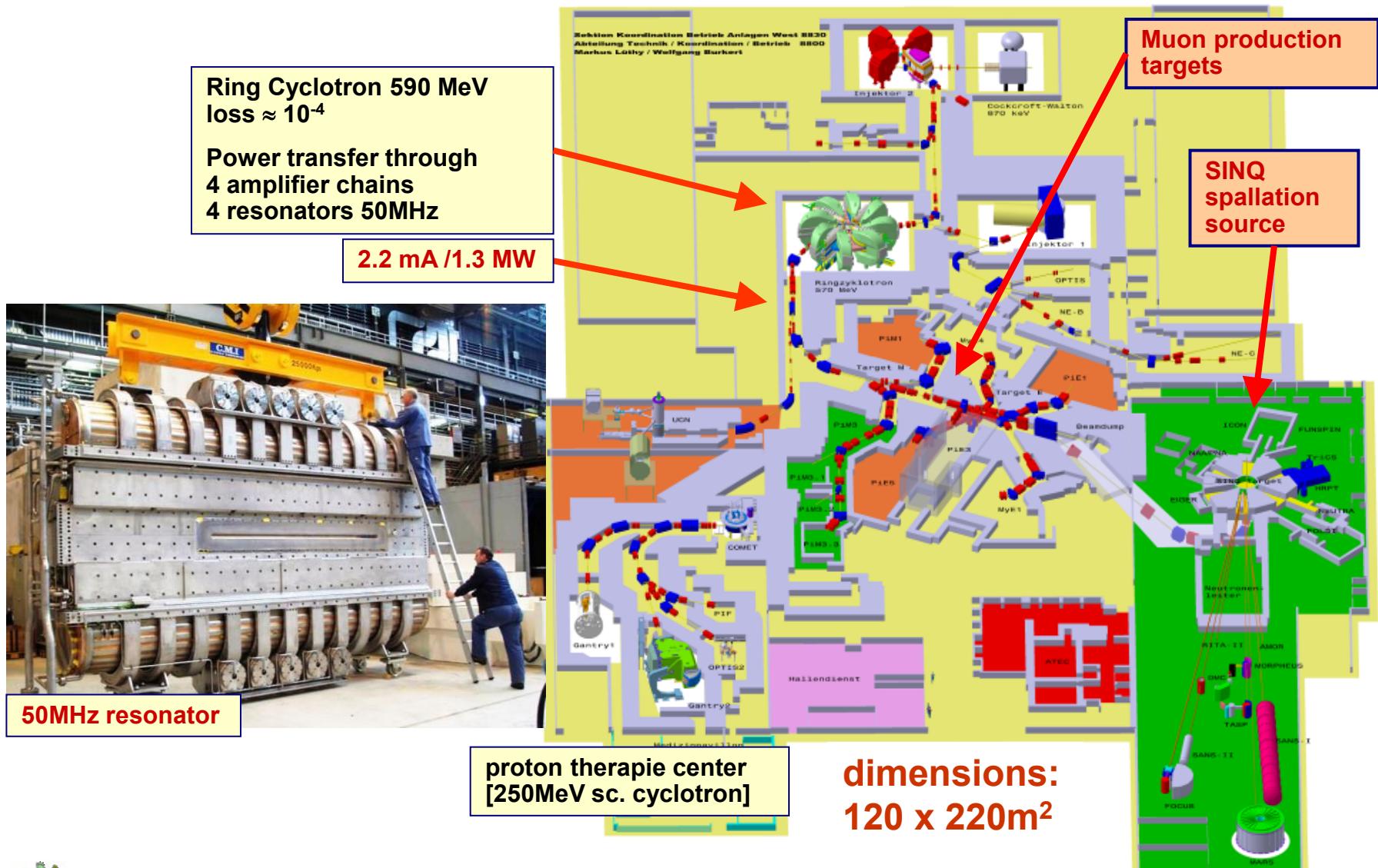
- neutron production for neutron sources and ADS; e.g. 800MeV
- muon production in targets via Pi-production
(PSI, ISIS, TRIUMF, BNL?)
- neutrino production: Daedalus study
→ losses: $\approx 100\text{Watt}$ acceptable
→ ADS: $10^{-2} \dots 10^{-1}$ trips per day(!)

A. Letourneau et al. / Nucl. Instr. and
Meth. in Phys. Res. B 170 (2000) 299±322



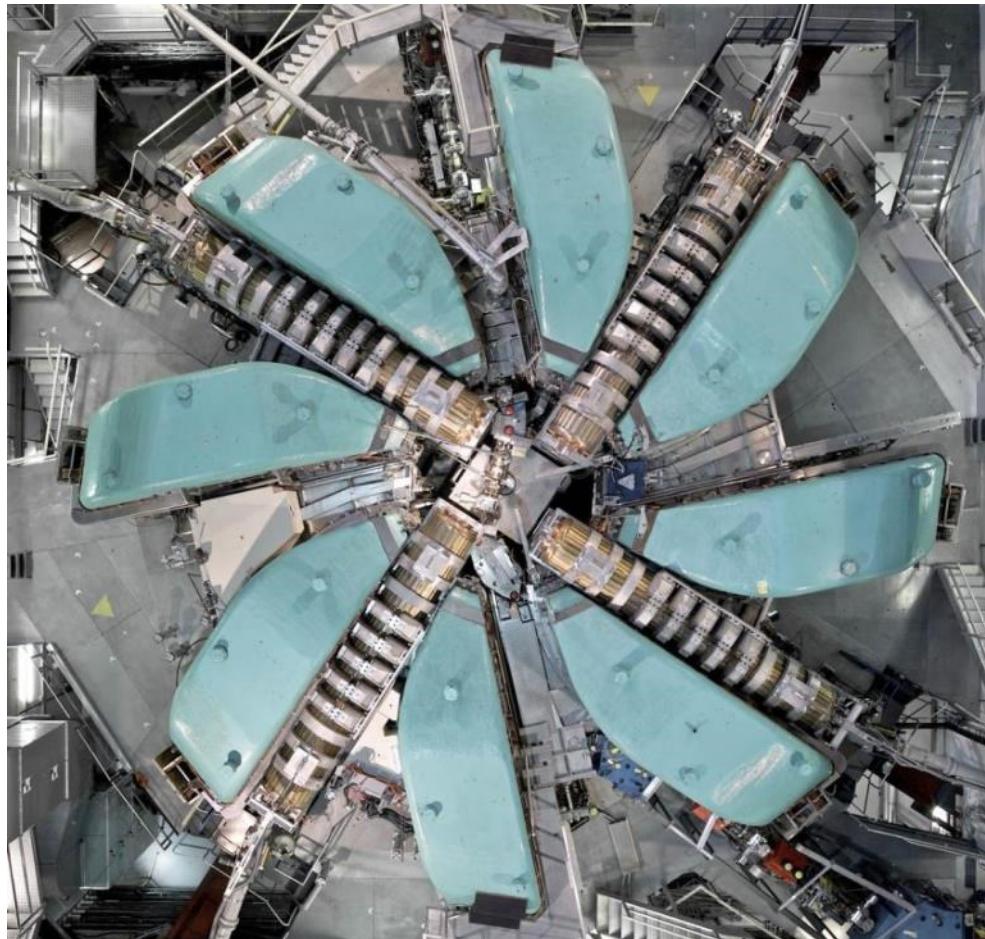
Example: PSI Facility

Beam: 1.3MW, Grid: 10MW

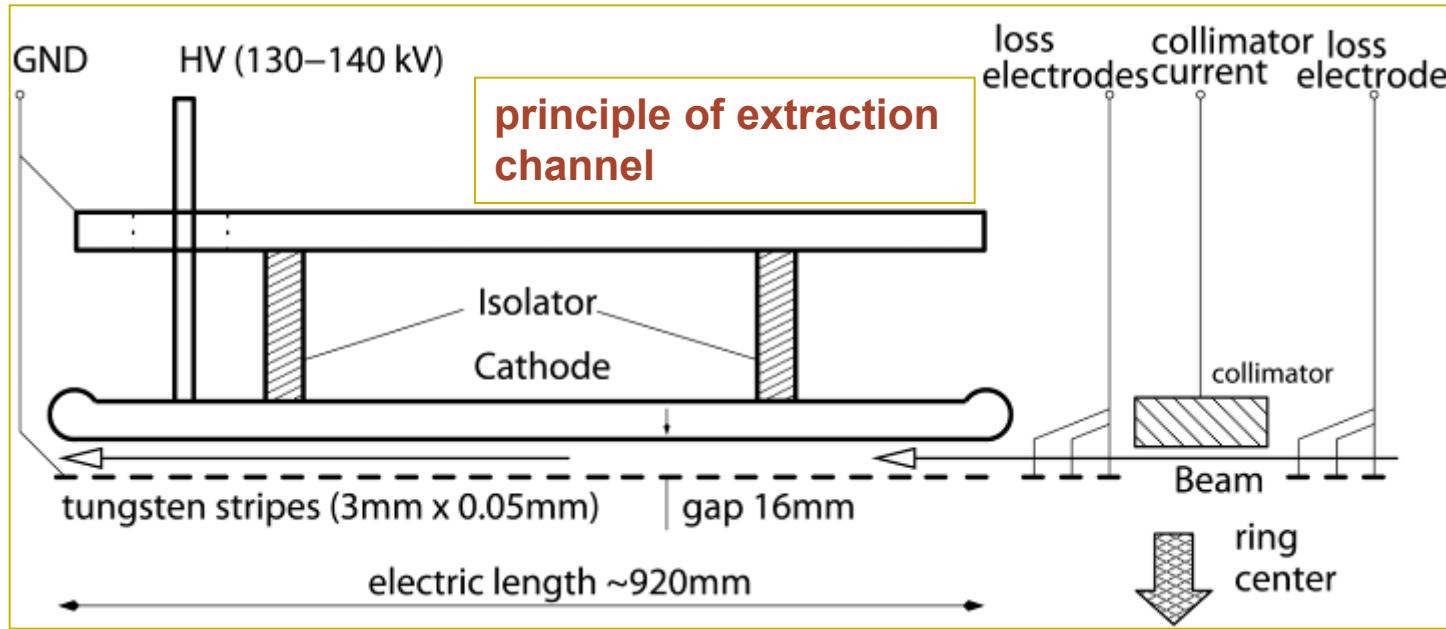


PSI Ring Cyclotron

8 Sector Magnets:	1.6 .. 2.1 T
Magnet weight:	~280 tons
4 Accelerator Cavities:	860 kV (1.2 MV)
1 Flat-Top Resonator	150 MHz
Accelerator frequency:	50.63 MHz
harmonic number:	6
kinetic beam energy:	72 → 590 MeV
beam current max.:	2.4 mA
extraction orbit radius:	4.5 m
outer diameter:	15 m
RF efficiency Grid/Beam	$0.90 \times 0.64 \times 0.55 = 32\%$
rel. losses @ 2.2mA:	$\sim 1..2 \cdot 10^{-4}$
transmitted power:	0.32 MW/Res.



injection/extraction with electrostatic elements



parameters
extraction chan.:

$$E_k = 590 \text{ MeV}$$

$$E = 8.8 \text{ MV/m}$$

$$\theta = 8.2 \text{ mrad}$$

$$\rho = 115 \text{ m}$$

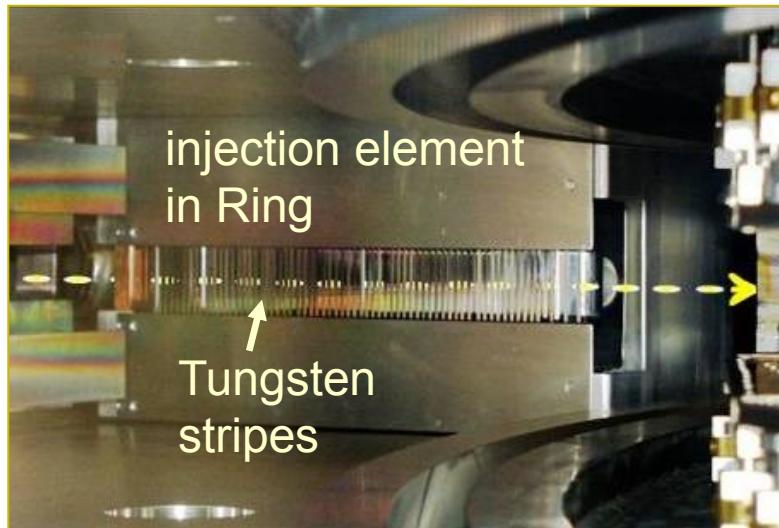
$$U = 144 \text{ kV}$$

major loss mechanism is scattering in $50\mu\text{m}$ electrode!

electrostatic rigidity:

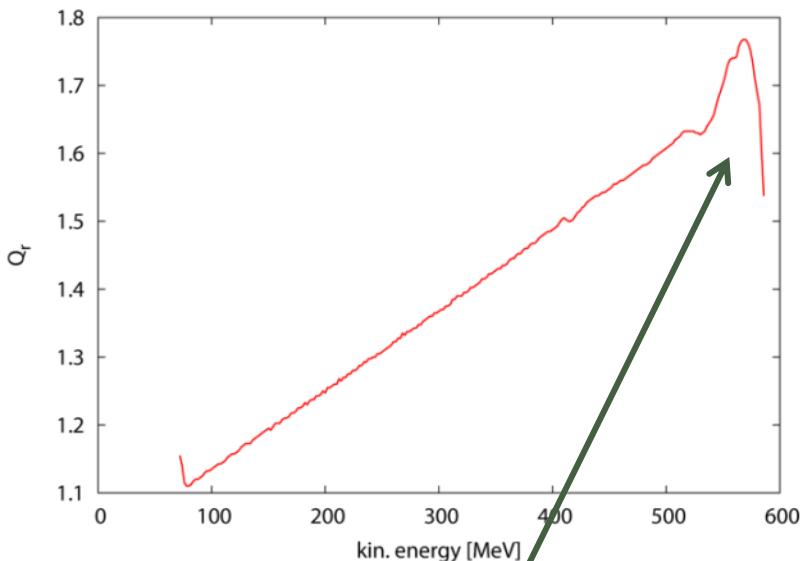
$$E\rho = \frac{\gamma + 1}{\gamma} \frac{E_k}{q}$$

$$\theta = \frac{qlE}{E_k} \frac{\gamma}{\gamma + 1}$$

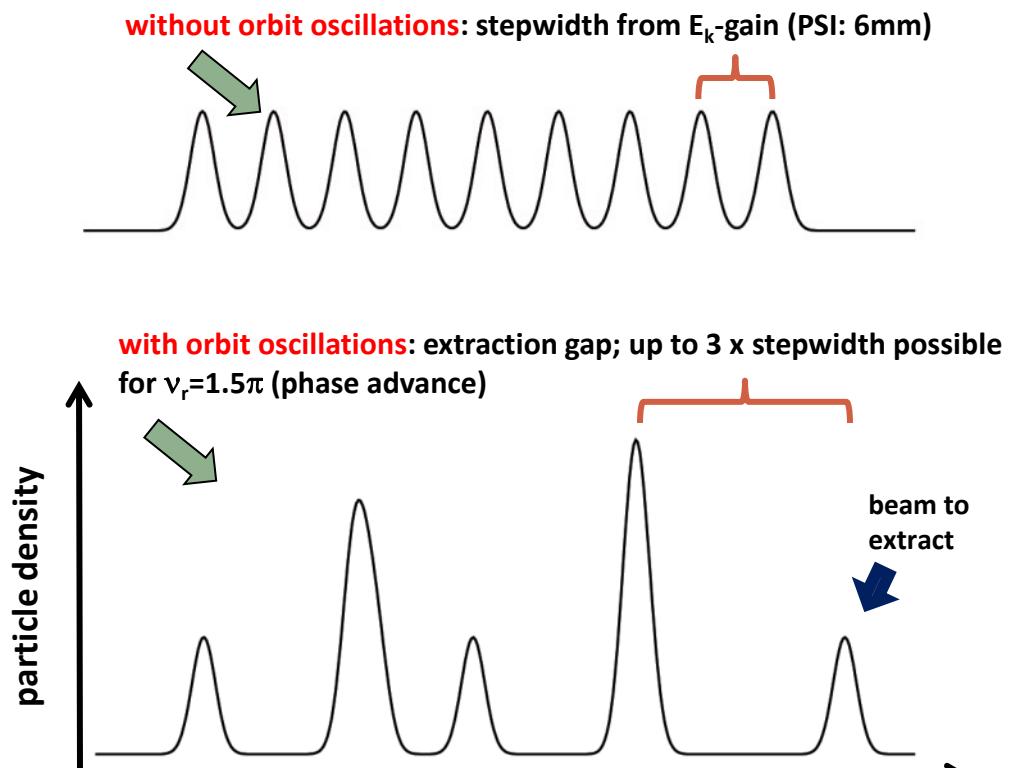


extraction with off-center orbits

betatron oscillations around the “closed orbit” can be used to increase the radial stepwidth by a factor 3 !



radial tune vs. energy (PSI Ring)
typically $v_r \approx \gamma$ during acceleration;
but decrease in outer fringe field

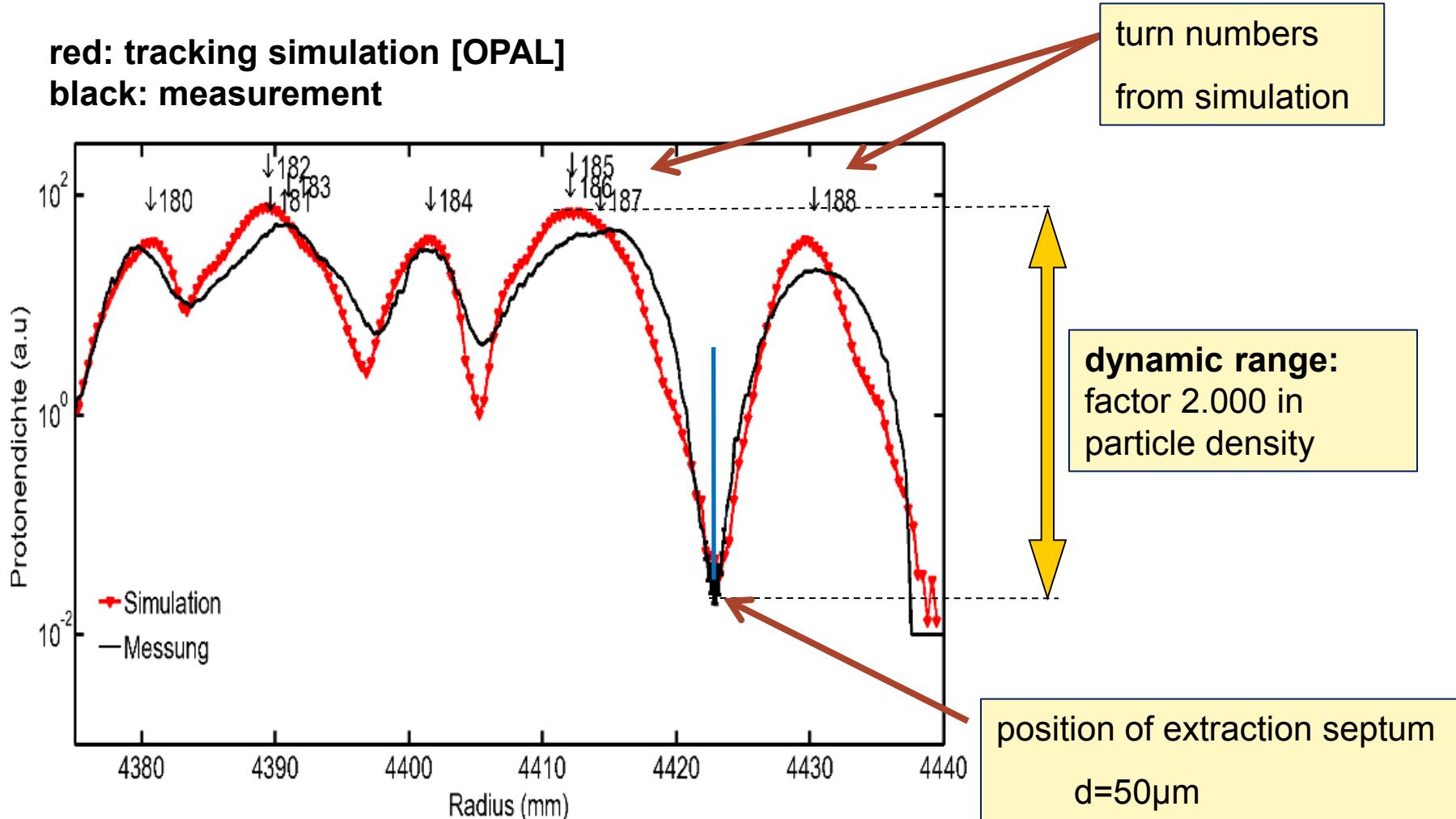


phase vector of orbit
oscillations (r, r')



extraction profile measured at PSI Ring Cyclotron

red: tracking simulation [OPAL]
black: measurement



longitudinal space charge

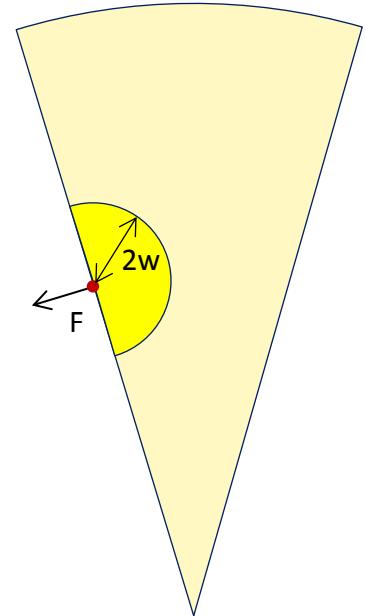
sector model (W.Joho, 1981):

- accumulated energy spread transforms into transverse tails
- consider rotating uniform sectors of charge (overlapping turns)
- test particle “sees” only fraction of sector due to shielding of vacuum chamber with gap height $2w$

three factors are proportional to the number of turns:

- 1) the charge density in the sector
- 2) the time span the force acts

$$\Delta U_{sc} = \frac{8}{3} e I_p Z_0 \ln \left(4 \frac{w}{a} \right) \cdot \frac{n_{\max}^2}{\beta_{\max}} \approx 2.800 \Omega \cdot e I_p \cdot \frac{n_{\max}^2}{\beta_{\max}}$$



derivation see: [High Intensity Aspects of Cyclotrons, ECPM-2012, PSI](#)

in addition:

- 3) the inverse of turn separation at extraction: $\frac{1}{\Delta R_{\text{extr}}} \propto n_{\max}$

► thus the attainable current at constant losses scales as n_{\max}^{-3}



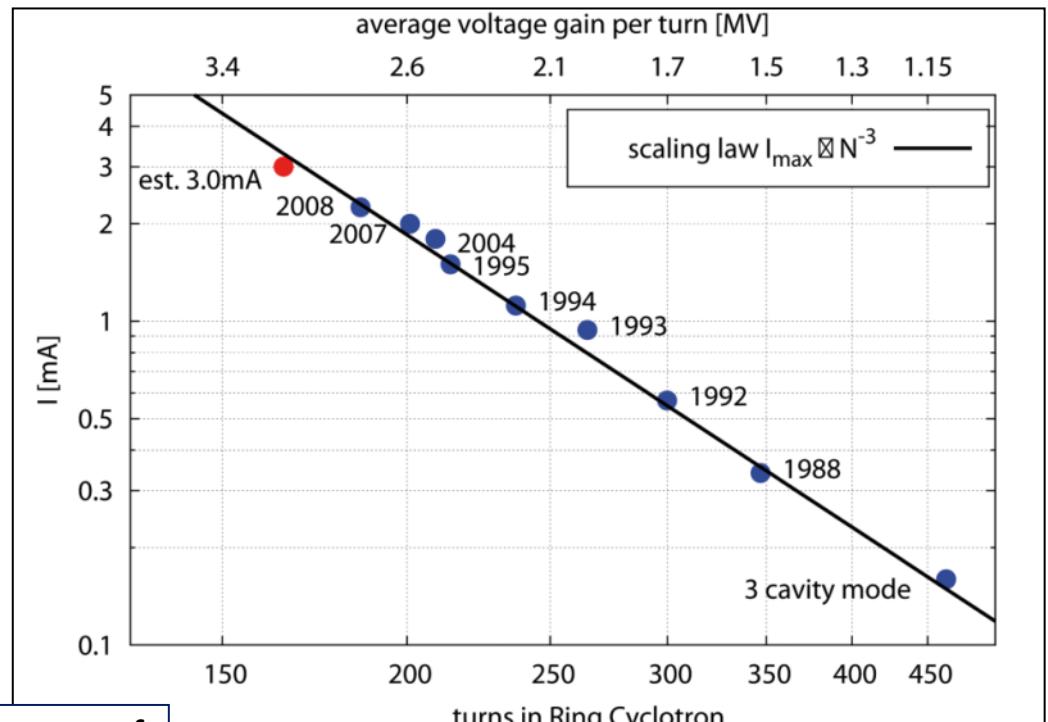
longitudinal space charge; evidence for third power law

- at PSI the maximum attainable current indeed scales with the third power of the turn number → voltage per turn matters!

→ with constant losses

$$I_{\max} \propto n_t^{-3}$$

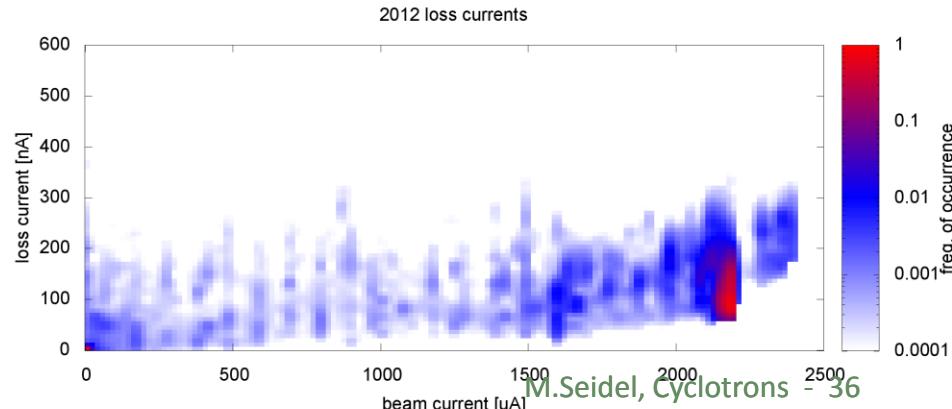
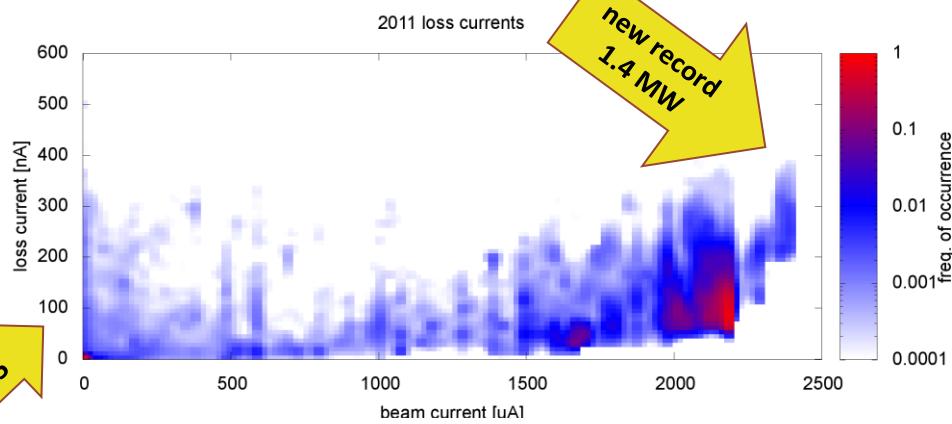
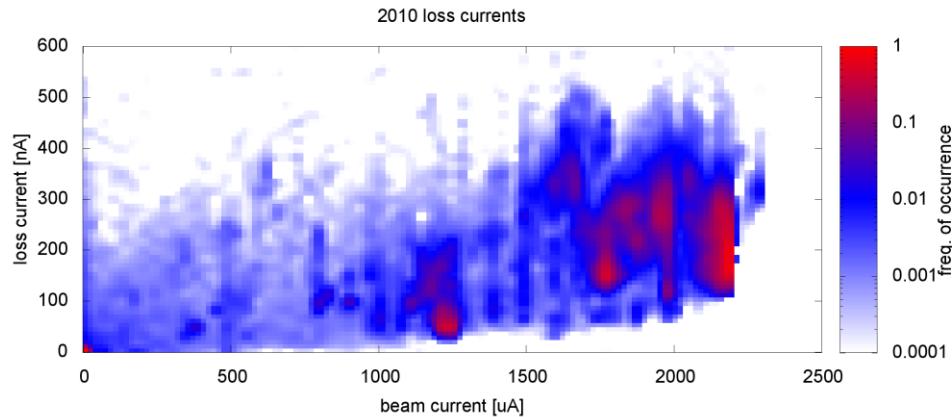
historical development of
current and turn numbers
in PSI Ring Cyclotron



loss development at PSI-HIPA

plots:

- loss current [nA] vs. beam current [μ A]
- color code = frequency of operation at particular working point
- limit at 2200 μ A for standard operation;
beyond that: test operation

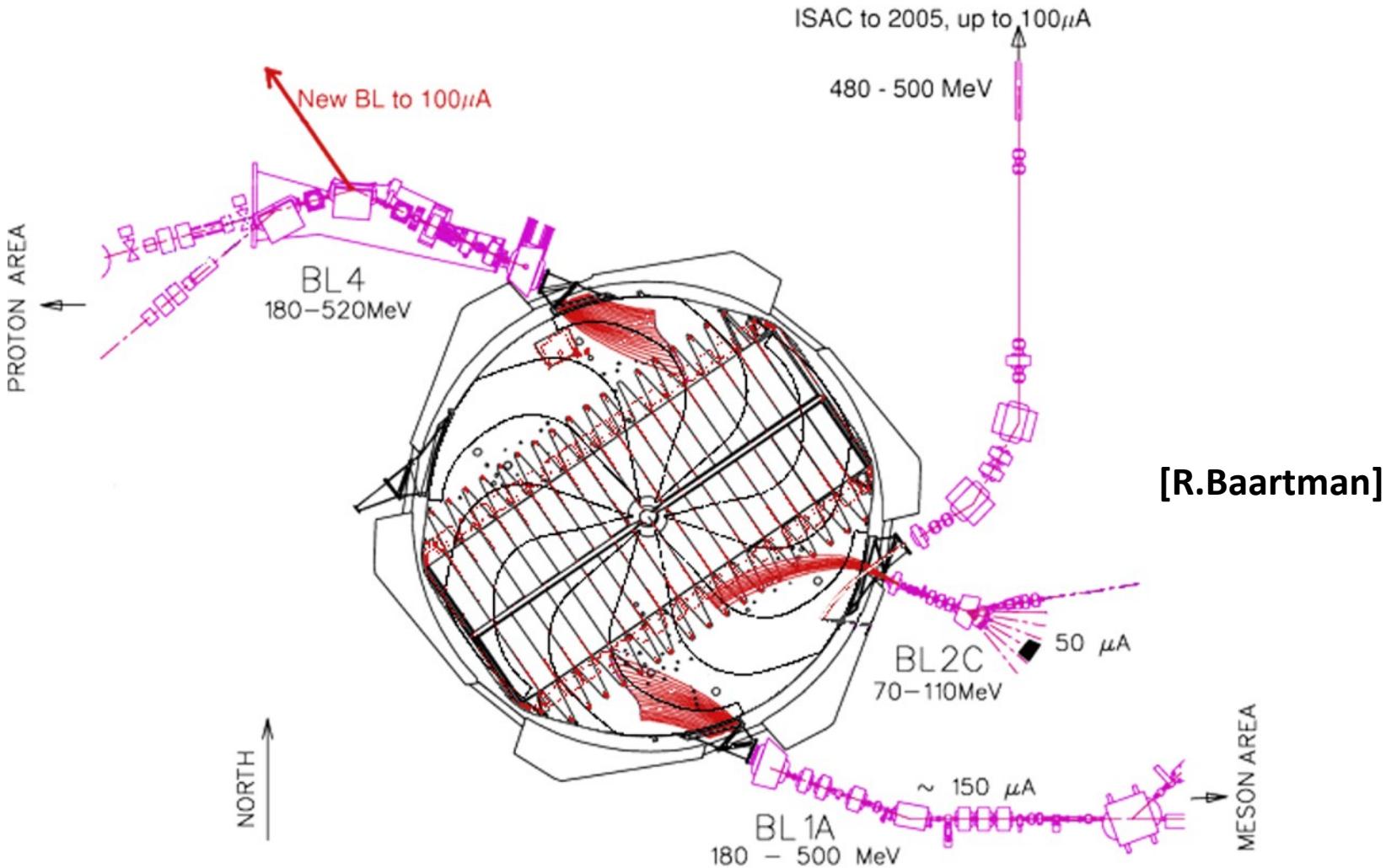


parameters of cyclotrons

	TRIUMF	RIKEN SRC (supercond.)	PSI Ring	PSI medical (supercond.)
particles	H- → p	ions	p	p
K [MeV]	520	2600	592	250
magnets (poles)	(6)	6	8	(4)
peak field strength [T]	0.6	3.8	2.1	3.8
R _{inj} /R _{extr} [m]	0.25/3.8...7.9	3.6/5.4	2.4/4.5	-/0.8
P _{max} [kW]	110	1 (86Kr)	1300	0.25
extraction efficiency (tot. transmission)	0.9995 (0.70)	(0.63)	0.9998	0.80
extraction method	stripping foil	electrostatic deflector	electrostatic deflector	electrostatic deflector
comment	variable energy	ions, flexible	high intensity	compact



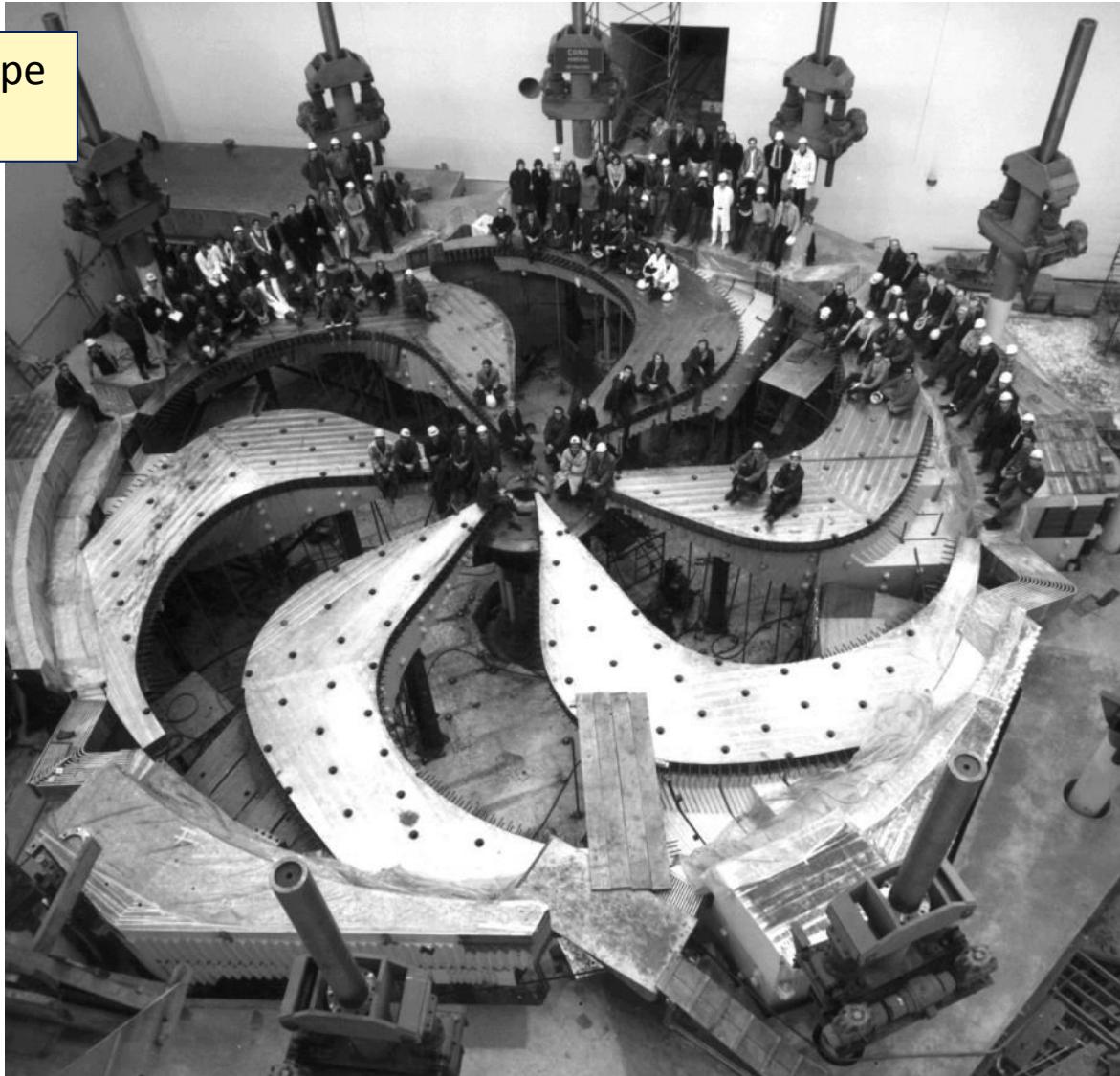
TRIUMF: multiple H⁻ stripping extraction



cyclotron examples: TRIUMF

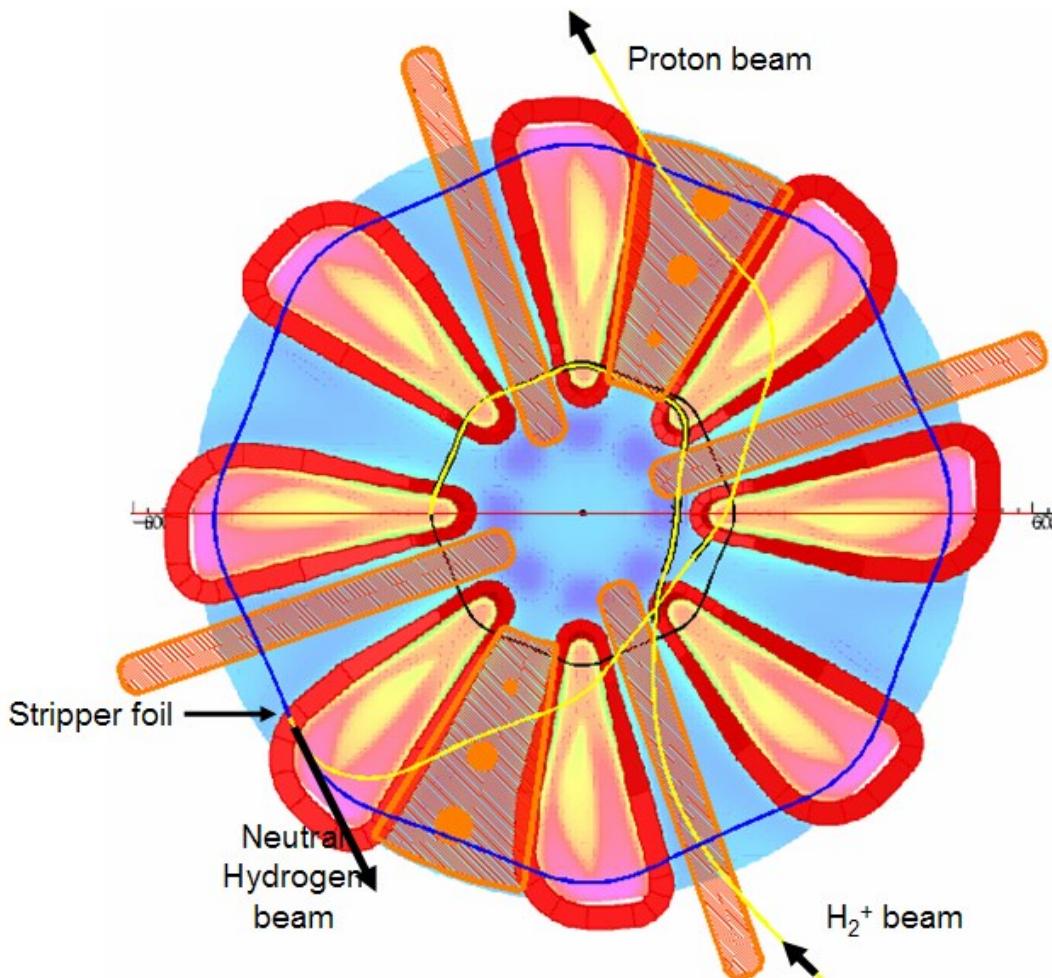
photo: iron poles with spiral shape
($\delta_{\max} = 70\text{deg}$)

- p, 520MeV, up to 110kW beam power
- diameter: 18m (largest n.c. cyclotron worldwide)
- extraction by stripping H⁻
→ variable energy;
multiple extraction points possible



ideas I: H_2^+ Daedalus cyclotron

[L.Calabretta et al, INFN Catania]



purpose: pulsed high power beam for neutrino production

- 800MeV kin. energy
- 5MW avg. beam power

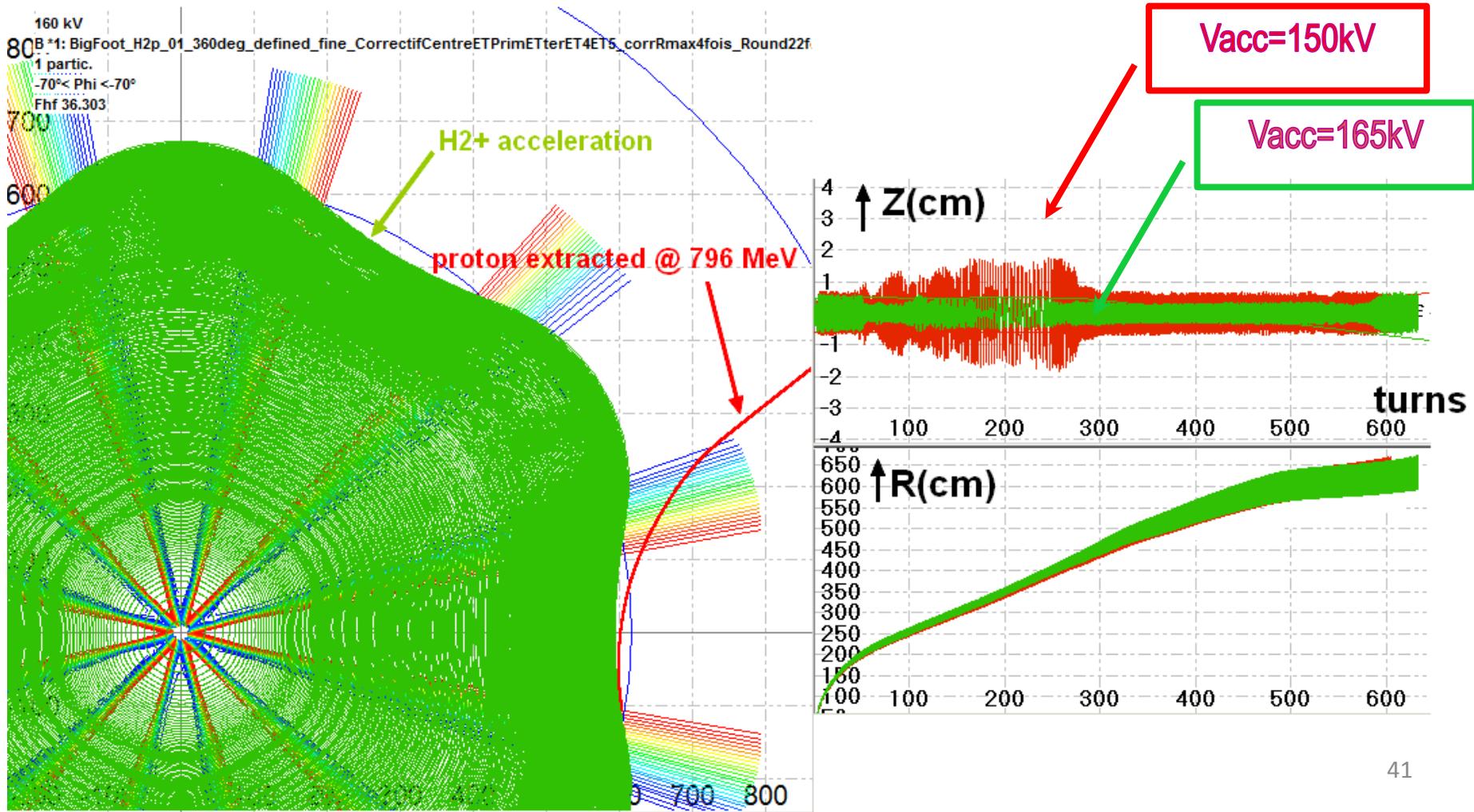
note:
complex extraction path

binding energies	energies
H^-	H_2^+
0.75eV	15eV

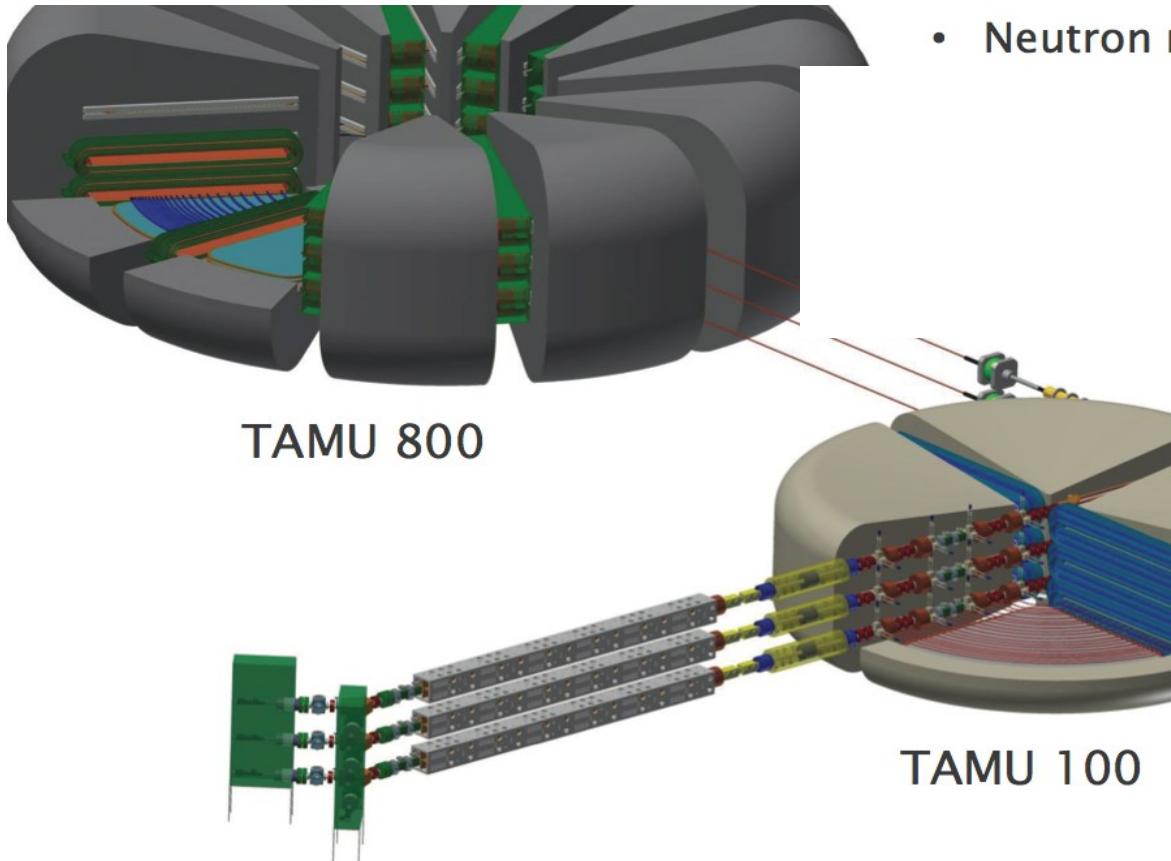


ideas II: H_2^+ AIMA Cyclotron w reverse bend and multiple 60keV injection [P.Mandrillon]

The reverse valley B-field concept avoids the internal loop
(cf. DAEdALUS extraction) for the stripped proton beam from H_2^+ .



ideas III: 800 MeV SUPERCONDUCTING STRONG-FOCUSING CYCLOTRON [P.McIntyre, TEXAS A&M]



- Neutron r
- Two Stages Cyclotron: 100 MeV SF injector + 800 MeV SF booster.
- Stack of 3 Cyclotrons in //
- Booster: 12 Flux coupled stack of dipole magnet sectors
- 10 Superconducting 100 MHz RF cavities providing a 20 MeV Energy Gain/turn
- multiple power couplers per cavity
- Large turn separation allowing to insert SF beam transport channels made of Panofsky Qpoles ($G=6\text{T/m}$)

[P.McIntyre, Texas A&M]

next: **Ion Beam Facilities**

- example RIKEN (others GANIL, MSU/RIBF)
- complex accelerator chains, great flexibility
- radioactive ion beams

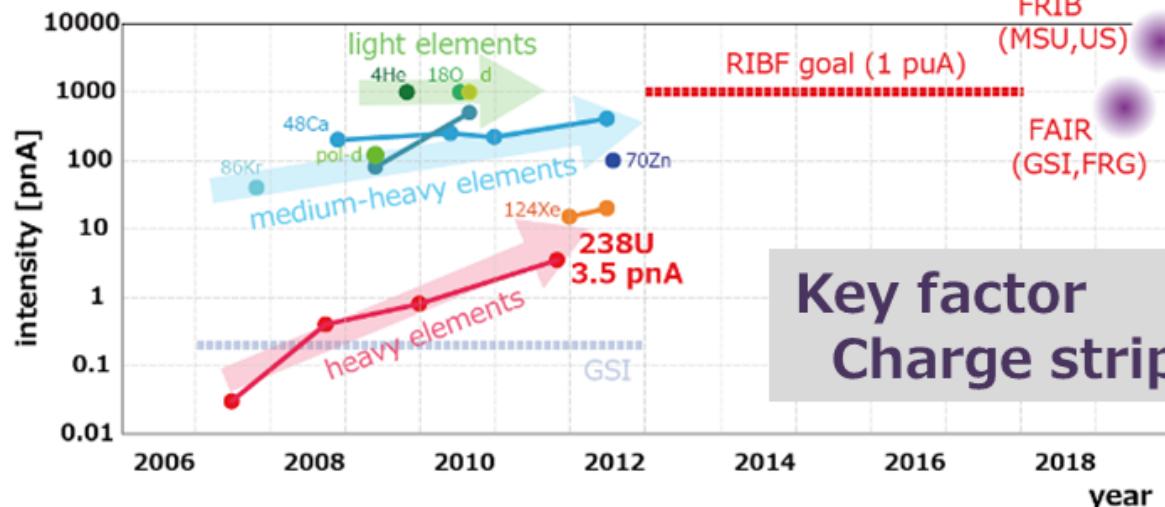
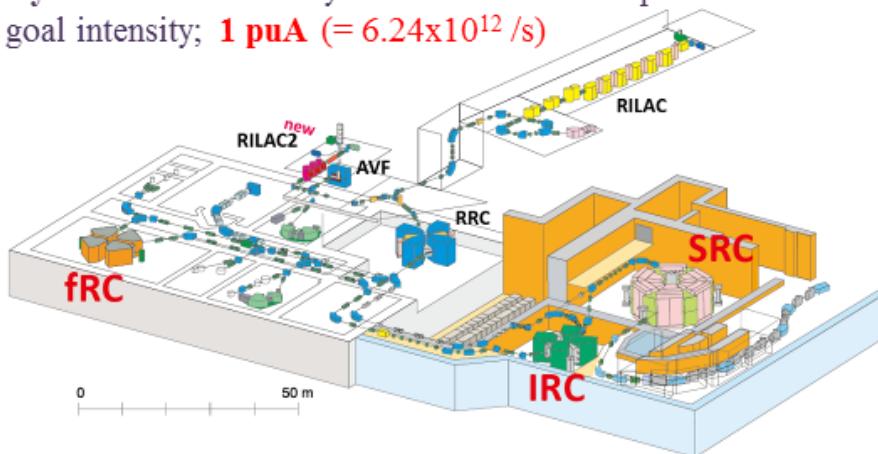
Ion Beam Facility: Example RIKEN

1. U acceleration

Intensity upgrade of U beams at RIBF

Riken RI Beam Factory (RIBF)

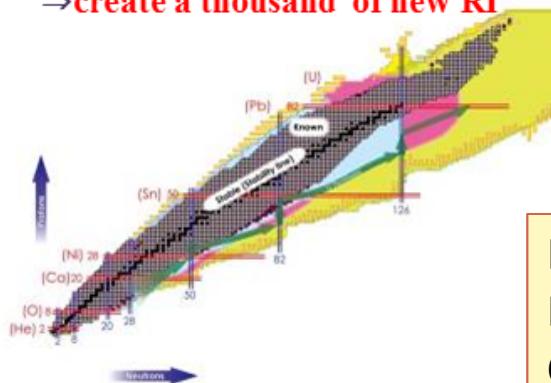
Cyclotron-based heavy-ion accelerator complex
goal intensity; **1 puA** ($= 6.24 \times 10^{12} / s$)



Upgrading of ^{238}U intensity

RI beams via in-flight fission
Expansion of nuclear chart

→create a thousand of new RI



H.Imao
Riken/Nishina C.
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RIKEN (Jp) superconducting cyclotron

K = 2,600 MeV

Max. Field: 3.8T (235 MJ)

RF frequency: 18-38 MHz

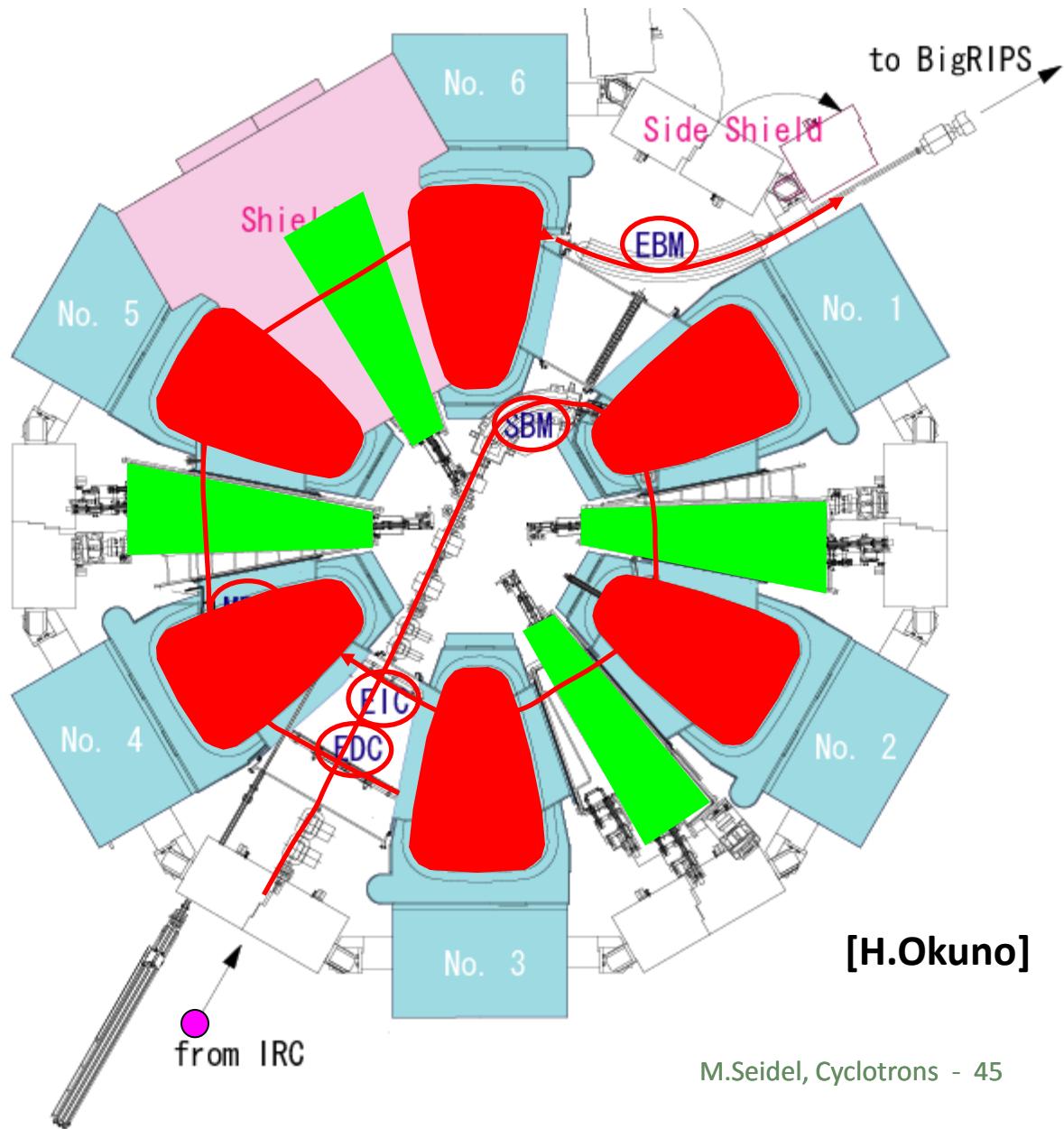
Weight: 8,300 tons

Diameter: 19m

Height: 8m

superconducting
Sector Magnets :6
RF Resonator :4
Injection elements.
Extraction elements.

utilization:
broad spectrum of
ions up to Uranium



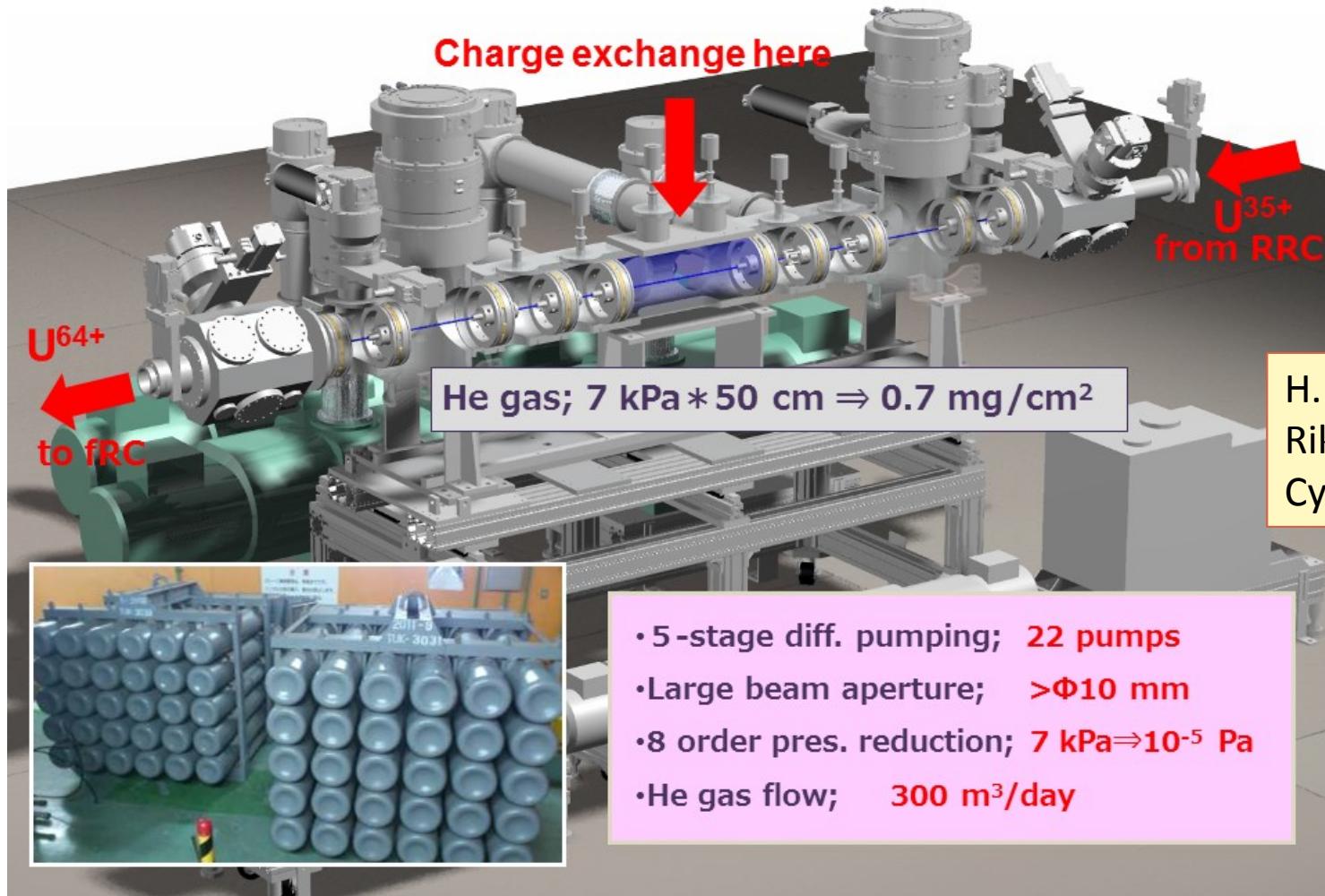
RIKEN SRC in the vault



Key Element: He Gas Stripper

2. He stripper development

Design of He gas stripper



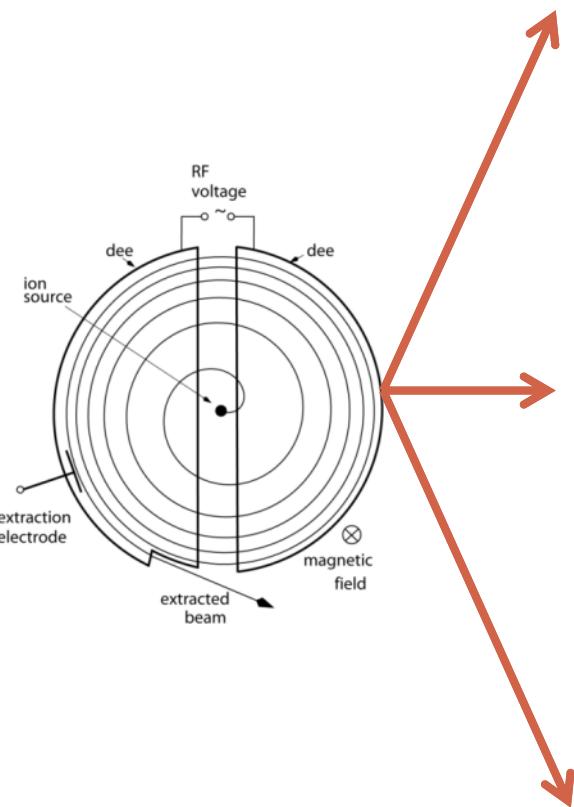


finally: wrapping up

- usage of cyclotrons and development routes
- cyclotron conferences



today: development directions for cyclotrons



very high intensity

[n-production; ADS; neutrinos...]

- clean extraction, low loss
- energy efficiency
- reliability

ion acceleration

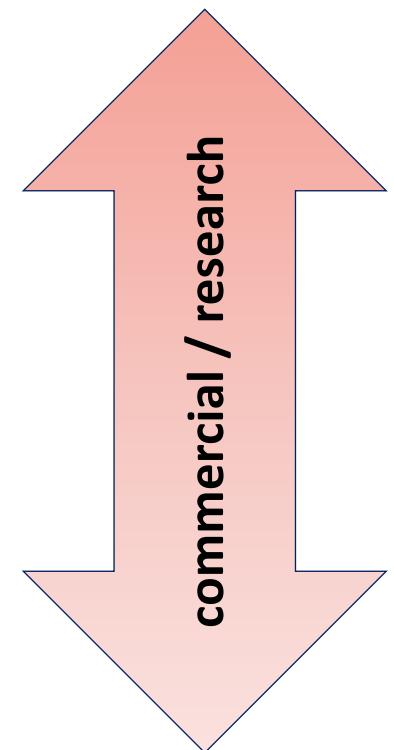
[nuclear physics; RIB's]

- great flexibility; varying Z/A
- efficient extraction; stripping
- high fields, s.c. magnets

medical application

[particle therapy p,C; isotope production]

- cost/size optimization
- s.c. magnets
- simple/reliable operation



JACOW conferences

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cyclotron conferences
every three years

cyclotrons 2013 in Vancouver: <http://accelconf.web.cern.ch/AccelConf/CYCLOTRONS2013/>

conference summary: http://accelconf.web.cern.ch/AccelConf/CYCLOTRONS2013/talks/fr2pb03_talk.pdf

cyclotrons 2016: organized by PSI in Zürich



Cyclotrons - Conclusions

- cyclotrons represent a mature field of accelerators with advanced developments ongoing
 - **ranging from large, high intensity, low loss, some super flexible**
 - **to small, low intensity, cost effective, robust, and super specialized**
- about 600 operating cyclotrons for isotope production; growth 50/year
- more than 20 particle therapy centers and many in planning
- few research facilities with high intensity p or ion beams:
 - PSI, RIKEN, TRIUMF, GANIL, NSCL
- BUT: cyclotrons not suited for high energy (protons: < 1GeV); require large dipoles; rel. weak focusing, thus space charge limited compared to linacs
 - **accordingly research directions are going towards high intensity developments and cost effective, compact devices for medical purpose**





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