



# FRIB Accelerator Beam Dynamics Design and Challenges

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# FRIB Project at MSU

## Project of \$680M (\$585.5M DOE, \$94.5M MSU)

- Dec. 2008: DOE selects MSU to establish FRIB
- June 2009: DOE and MSU sign corresponding cooperative agreement
- Sept. 2010: CD-1 granted; conceptual design complete & preferred alternatives decided
- April 2012: performance baseline & start of conventional facility construction readiness completed
- Sept. 2019: Early Completion
- March 2021: CD-4

*Growth from more than 500 employees today at NSCL, MSU*

*More than 1200 registered user at NSCL user group and at FRIB user organization*

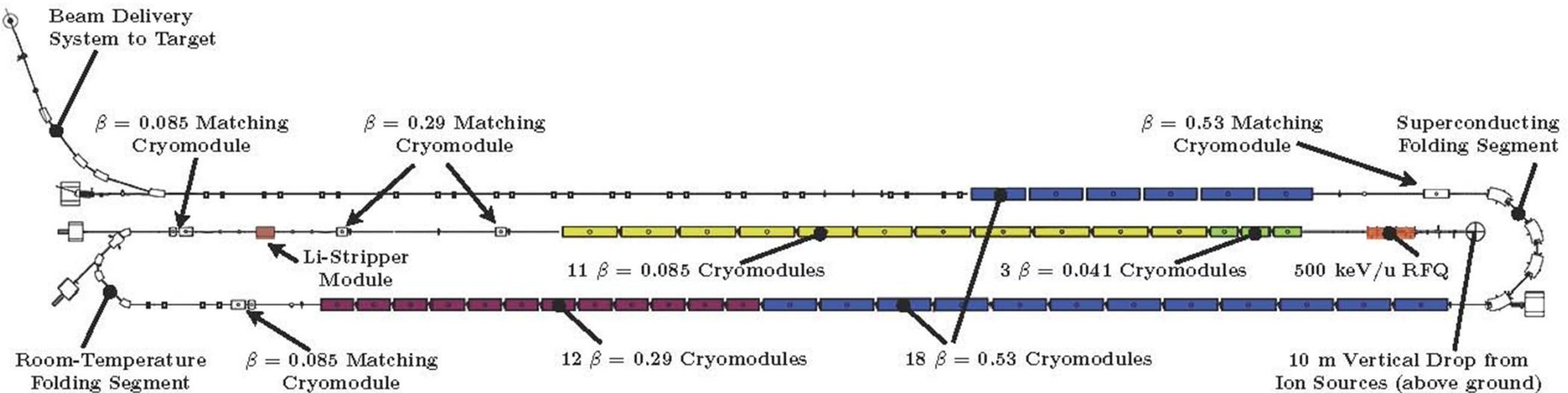


# FRIB Linac (Heavy Ion) vs. Proton Machine

- Both produce high power beam → Deal issues with beam loss
- Lower radiation yield from heavy ions than that of proton with same beam loss at similar beam energy
  - Save shielding, but conventional BLMs not applicable at low energy
- Higher power-density for heavy ion beam loss (Bragg peaks high)
  - Easy to damage beam element
- Heavy ion beams for nuclear physics experiments are mostly high duty factor or CW, while pulsed proton beams required by neutron users in most cases
  - Lower peak current for HI → small/negligible space charge effects
- Focusing not as frequent as space charge dominated proton
  - Cold solenoid inside cryomodule is still preferred/necessary
- Make use of low beta superconducting accelerating structure
  - Phase and amplitude of each cavity independently adjustable

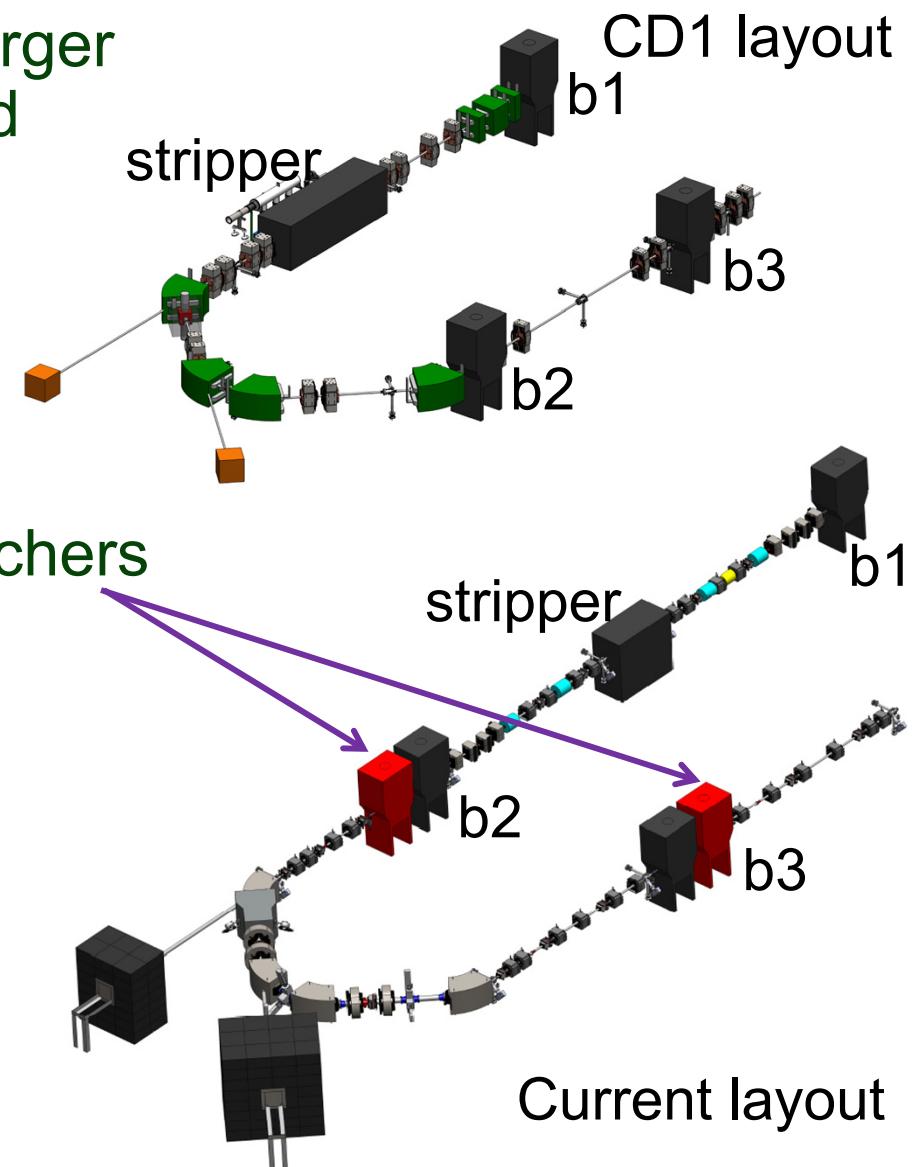
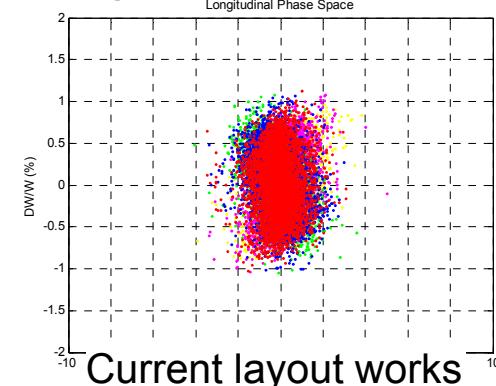
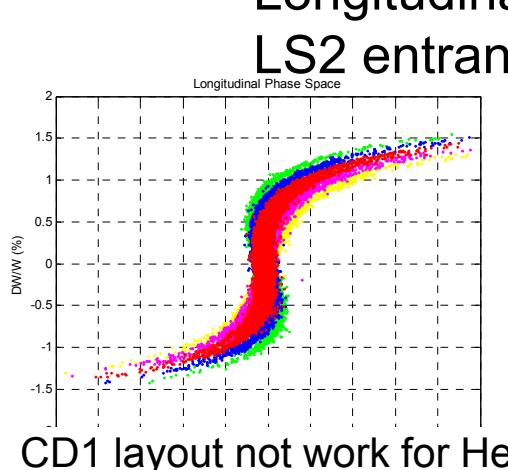
# FRIB Linac Lattice and Beam Dynamics Requirements

- 400 kW CW machine with uncontrolled beam loss limited to < 1 W/m
- Beam energy on target  $\geq$  200 MeV/u
- Accelerate all varieties of stable ions → Uranium is most challenging in design (two & five charge states before and after stripper, respectively)
- Minimize project construction costs → Compact double-folded layout
- Maintain potential enhancement → Energy upgrade, ISOL targets, light ion injector



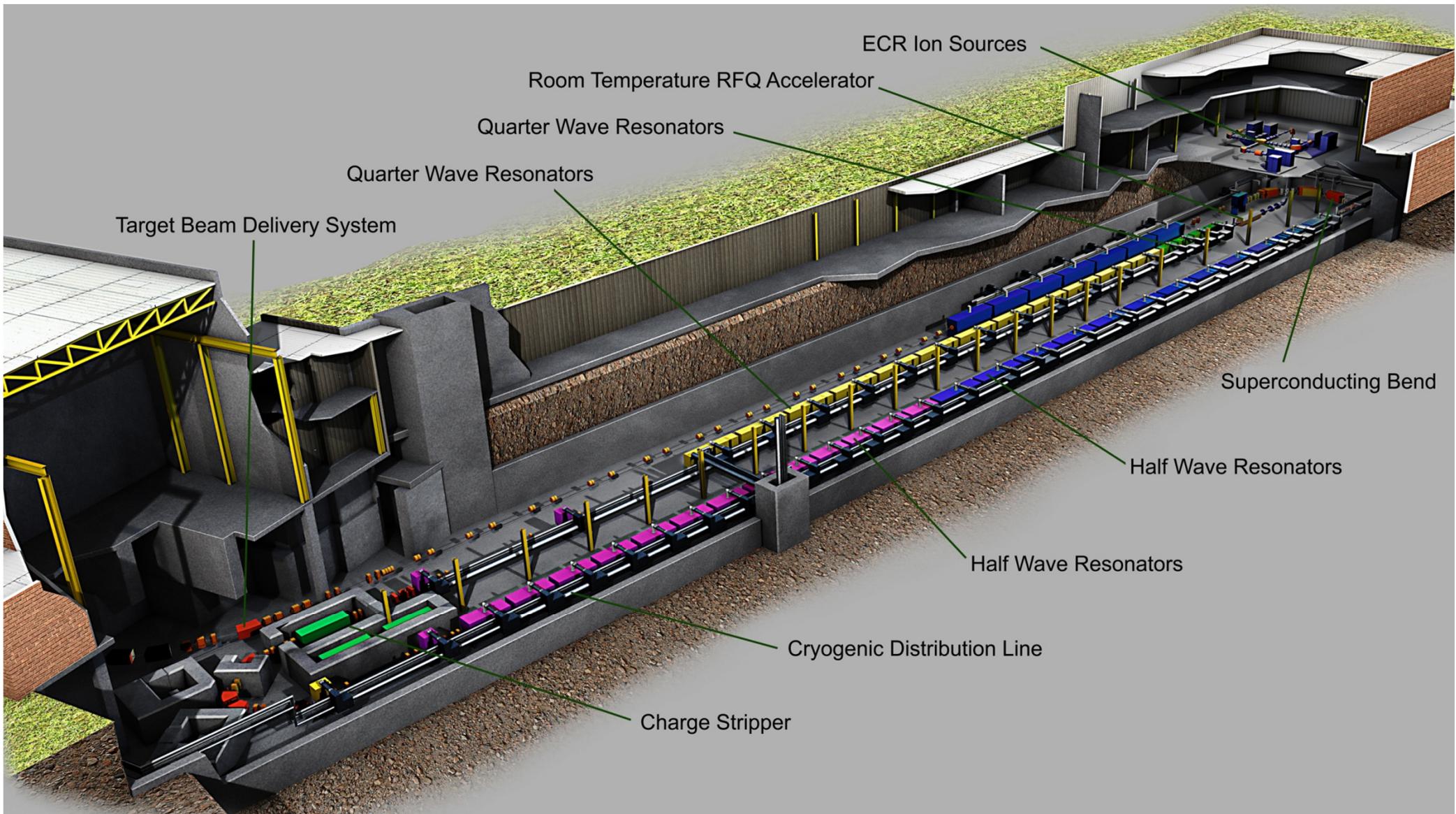
# Example of Lattice Optimization at Stripper Area

- Measured liquid lithium stripper has a larger thickness variation than what anticipated
  - Produce smaller beam size on stripper
    - Minimize transverse emittance growth
  - Accommodate larger energy spread
    - Moved rebuncher b2 before bender
  - Provide space for differential pumping
- Space available to install additional bunchers to further improve performance



# FRIB Civil Design Completed

## Close Integration Between Accelerator & Civil Designs

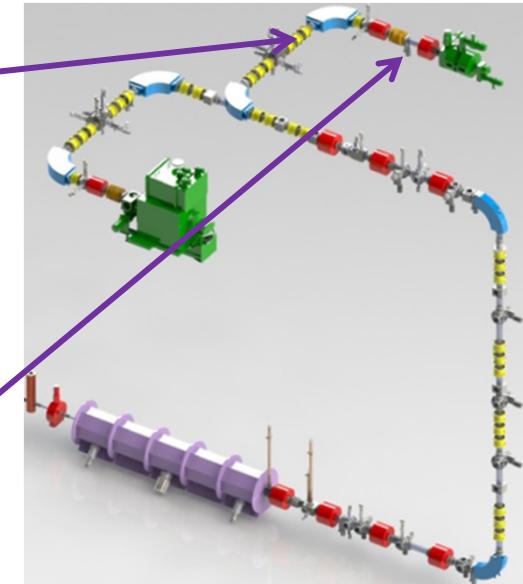
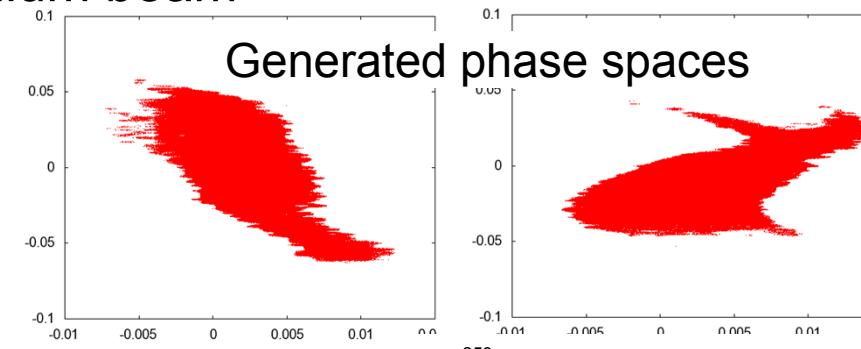
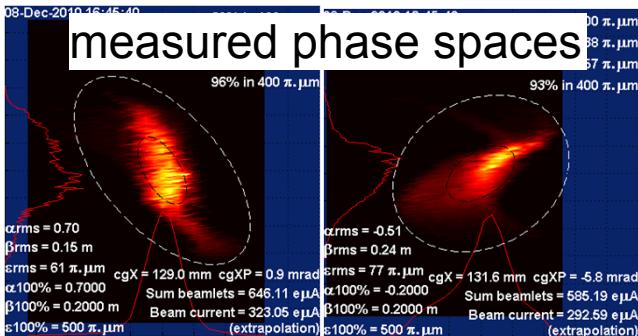


# FRI<sup>B</sup> Accelerator Beam Dynamics Challenges

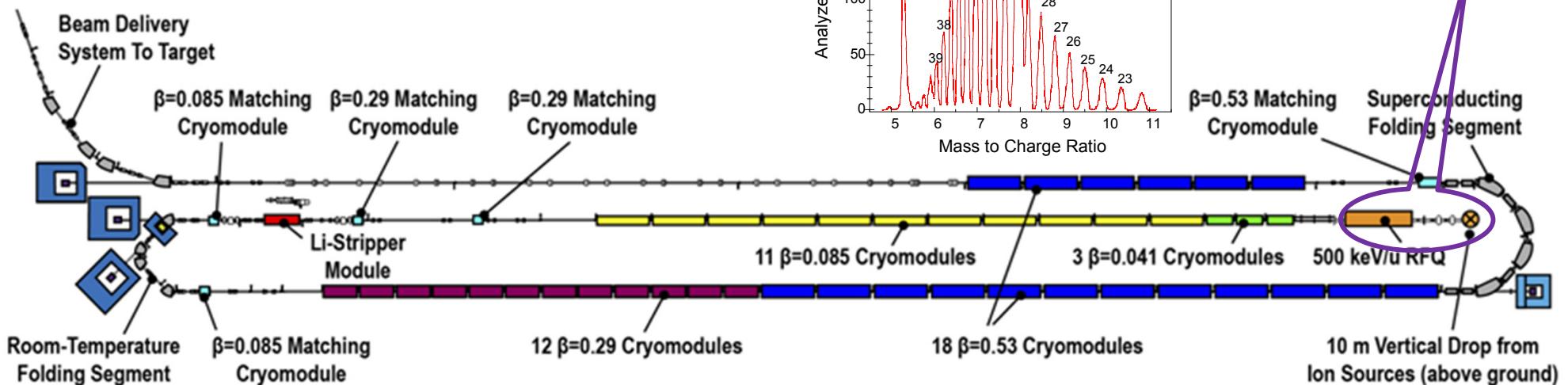
- Simultaneous acceleration of multi-charge-state beams
  - Large acceptance lattice
  - Velocity equalizer and HV platform scheme at LEBT
  - Achromatic and isochronous bending optics design
  - Superimposition of multi-charge states
  - Minimization of emittance growth at charge stripper
- Uncontrolled beam loss at  $\leq 1 \text{ W/m}$  (or  $10^{-6}$ ) level to avoid cavity quench and material damage, low cryogenic heat load, and facilitate hands-on maintenance
- Relatively small beam envelop and orbit excursion due to the limited aperture of low beta accelerating structures
- Tolerate larger alignment error of “cold” elements in cryomodules
  - SC solenoid to be aligned to  $\leq 1 \text{ mm}$  under cryogenic condition
- Meet stringent beam-on-target requirements

# End-to-end Simulation Performed with Multi-charge-state Uranium Beam

- Realistic initial particles generated based on measurements at VENUS
  - Two charge-states uranium beam



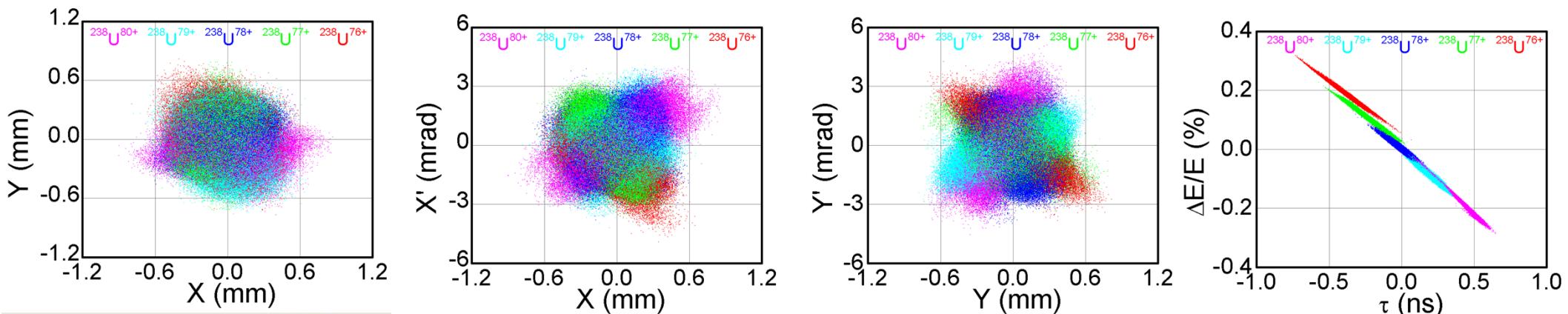
- Track particles all the way to target
  - 1 million particles



# Meet Beam-on-target Requirements with Five-charge-state Uranium

- Beam-on-target requirements met even for the most challenging multi-charge state uranium beam

| Parameter                      | Required    | Achieved | Meet |
|--------------------------------|-------------|----------|------|
| Beam spot size (1 mm)          | $\geq 90\%$ | 96%      | ✓    |
| Angular spread ( $\pm 5$ mrad) | $\geq 90\%$ | 100%     | ✓    |
| Bunch Length (3 ns)            | $\geq 95\%$ | 100%     | ✓    |
| Energy spread ( $\pm 0.5\%$ )  | $\geq 95\%$ | 100%     | ✓    |



# Nominal Machine Errors Used in Beam Simulations

- Beam element placement errors

| Name                      | Value        | Distribution |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Cold element displacement | $\pm 1$ mm   | Uniform      |
| Warm element displacement | $\pm 0.4$ mm | Uniform      |
| Warm element rotation     | $\pm 2$ mrad | Uniform      |

- Cavity RF errors

| Name                     | Value           | Distribution                      |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| RF amplitude fluctuation | $\pm 1.5\%$     | Gaussian ( $\sigma=0.5\%$ )       |
| RF phase fluctuation     | $\pm 1.5^\circ$ | Gaussian ( $\sigma = 0.5^\circ$ ) |

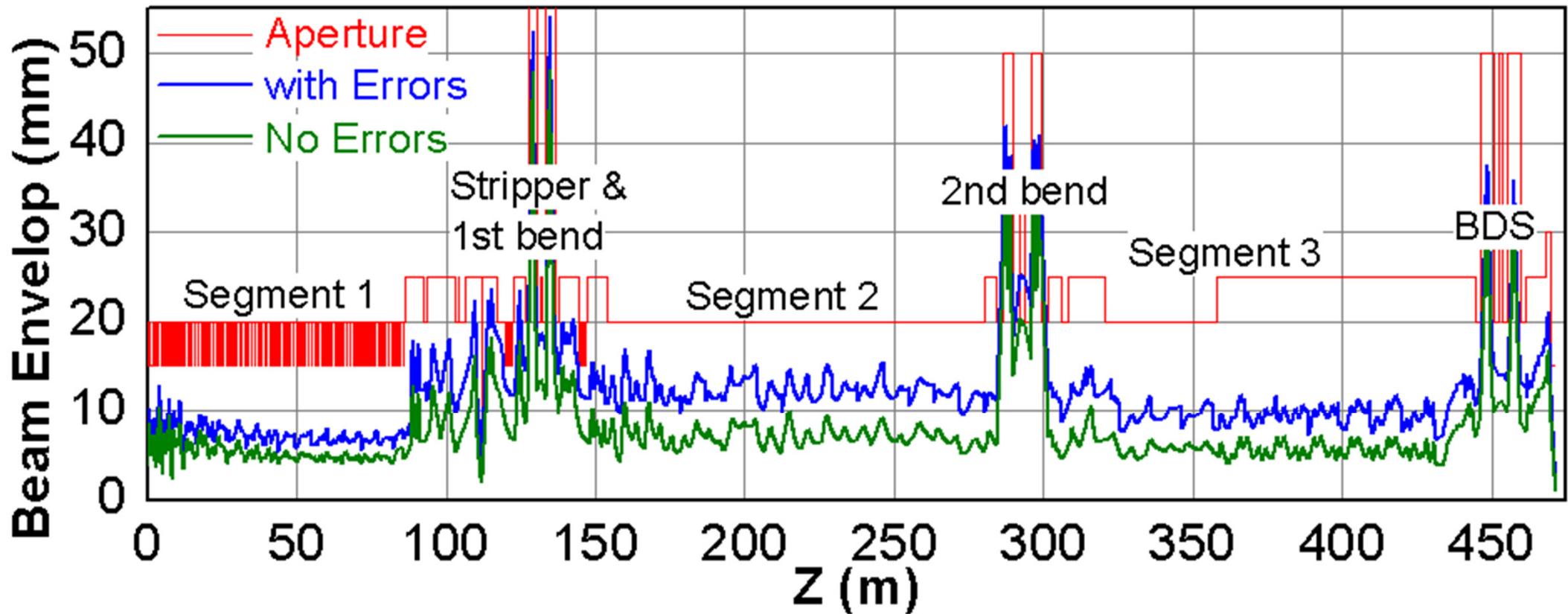
Measured RF errors at MSU are much smaller

- BPM uncertainty with respect to focusing element
  - $\pm 0.4$  mm, uniform distribution
- Stripper thickness variation
  - $\pm 20\%$ , uniform distribution



# Beam Evaluation Results with Machine Errors

## Beam Envelope Well Within Aperture



- Beam envelope growth mainly due to misalignment (correctors were on)
- RF errors cause significant longitudinal emittance growth but not coupled into transverse
- **No uncontrolled beam losses observed**
- Evaluation of room temperature magnets 3D fields effect ongoing

# Beam Loss Evaluation Performed with Larger RF and Placement Errors

- Increased errors in simulation by 50% and 100% larger for all RF and positioning errors than the nominal ones
  - Performed 350 seeds with 1 million particles each

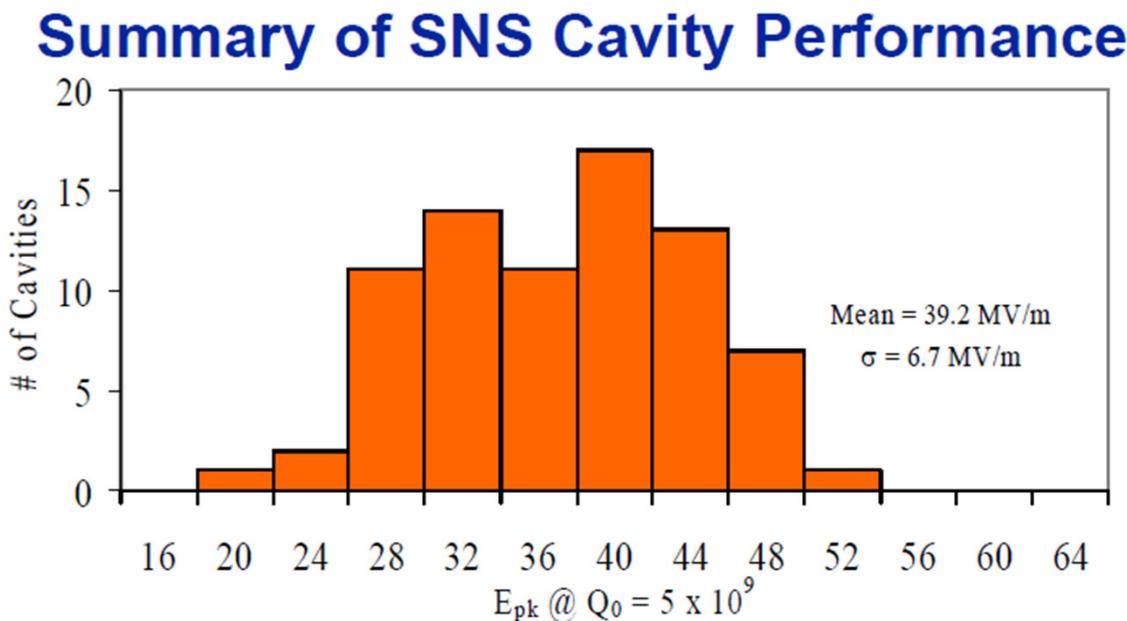
| cases                    | nominal errors | 50% larger errors | twice larger errors |
|--------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| <b>no beam loss</b>      | 100%           | 91%               | 60%                 |
| <b>loss but &lt;1W/m</b> | 0              | 7.8%              | 26%                 |
| <b>loss &gt; 1W/m</b>    | 0              | 1.2%              | 14%                 |

- Beam loss initiated in low energy side due to the larger RF errors
- Probability of beam loss  $>1$  W/m increases sharply with errors
  - It's important to keep errors within nominal tolerances
- Space reserved for beam collimation/scraping in the warm transport sections (e.g., upstream of segment 2)



# Scenarios of Fault Condition Studies

- Our studies show that following fault conditions seem manageable
  - Single cavity failure
  - Single solenoid failure
  - 20% lower cavity gradient
  - One cryomodule failure
  - $\pm 20\%$  randomly off nominal cavity voltage (lesson learned from SNS)

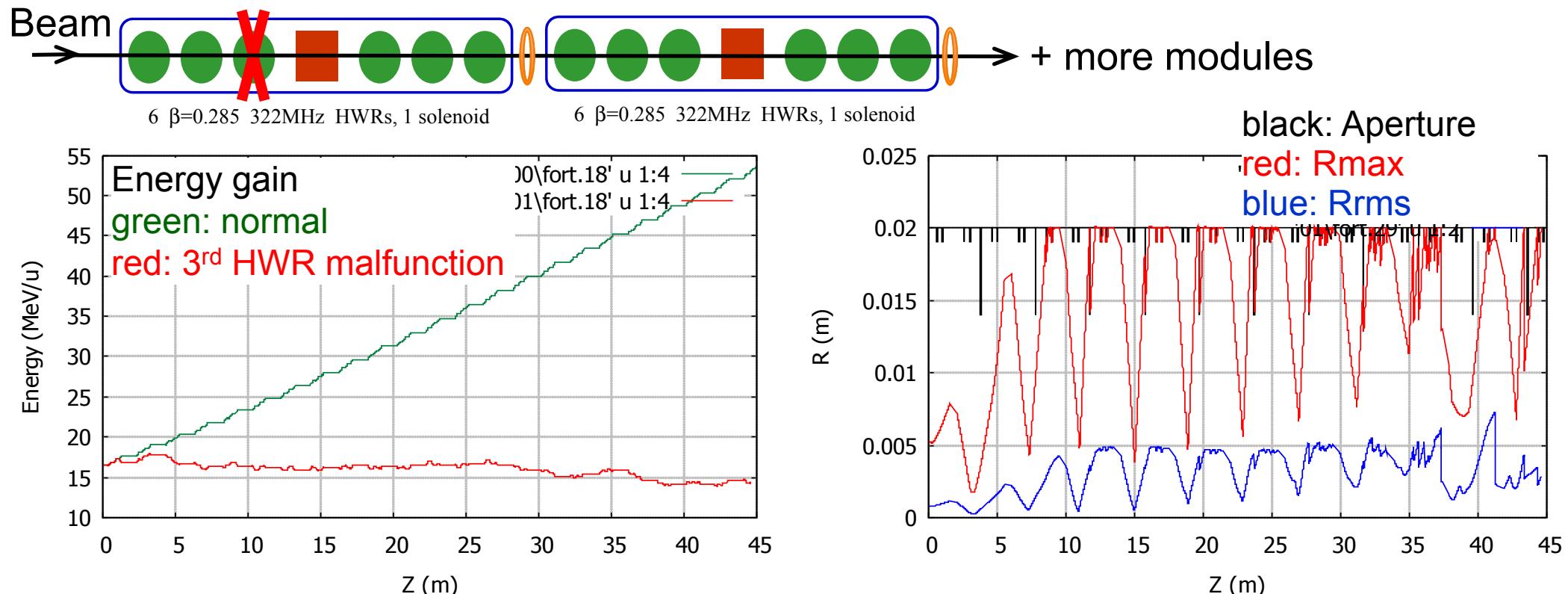


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# Example of Beam Loss Distributions with Single Cavity Failure and No Adjustment

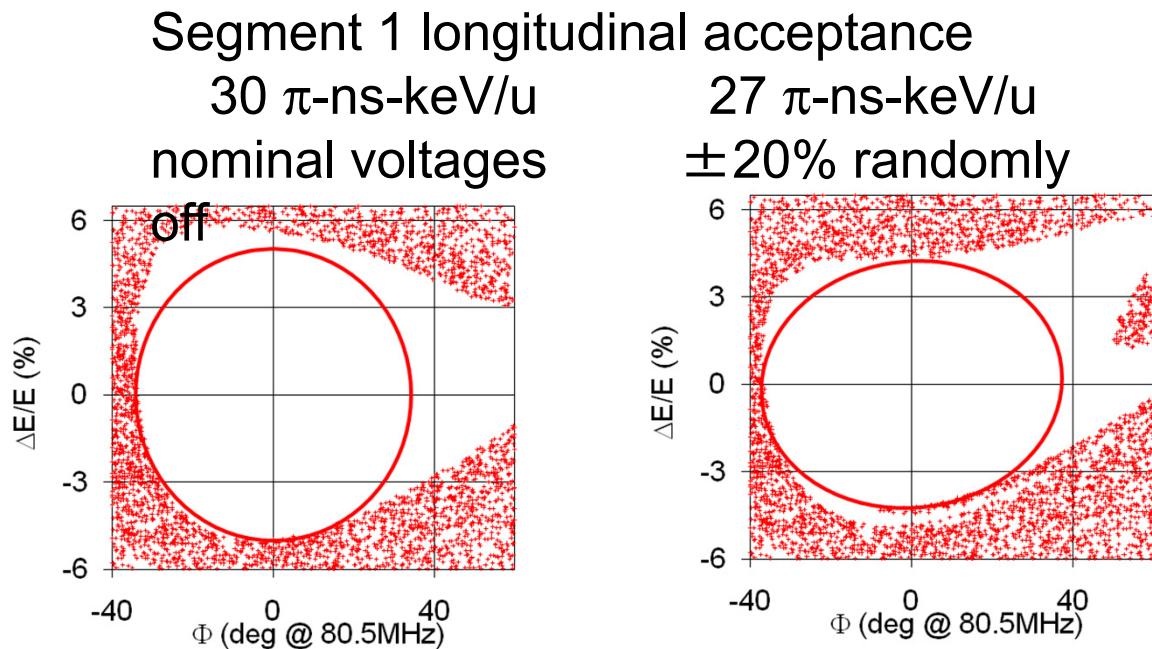
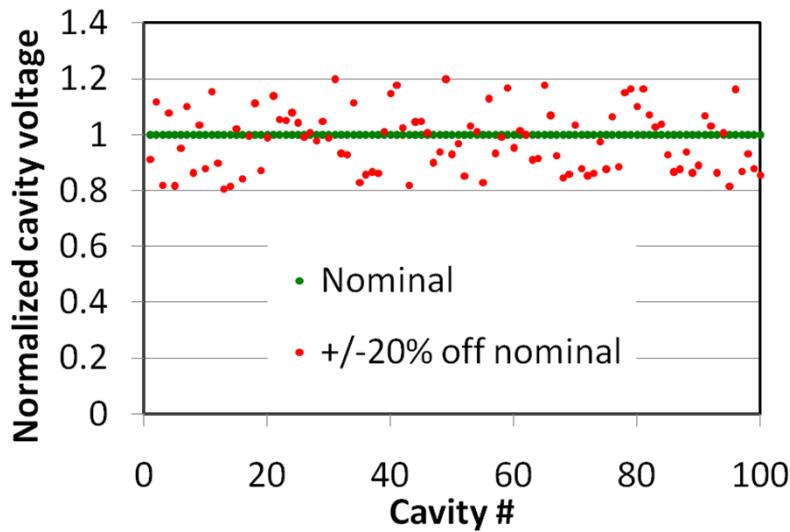
- Malfunction of the control of the 3<sup>rd</sup> beta=0.29 HWR in the 1<sup>st</sup> b29 CM
- Warm scraper ring with aperture diameter of 28 mm installed



- All the beam lost in the  $\beta=0.29$  cryomodules (3<sup>rd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>)
- Electrical current of tens uA on one ring → enough signal to trig MPS

# Example of $\pm 20\%$ randomly off nominal voltage for all QWRs

- Amplitudes of all QWR cavities are randomly off by maximum of  $\pm 20\%$ , cavity phases are adjusted to keep the same synchronous phases as in the design case



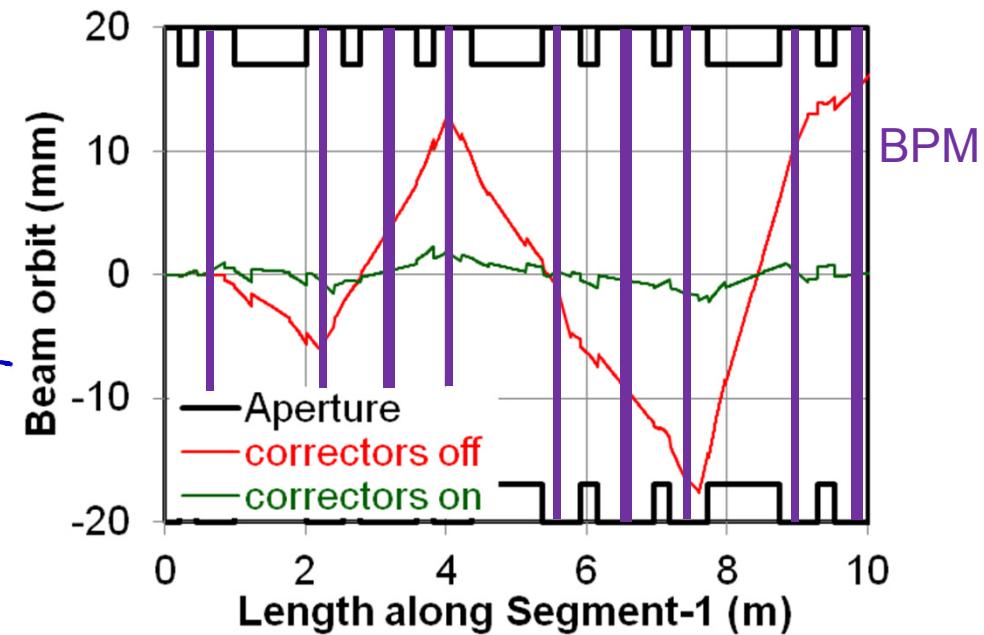
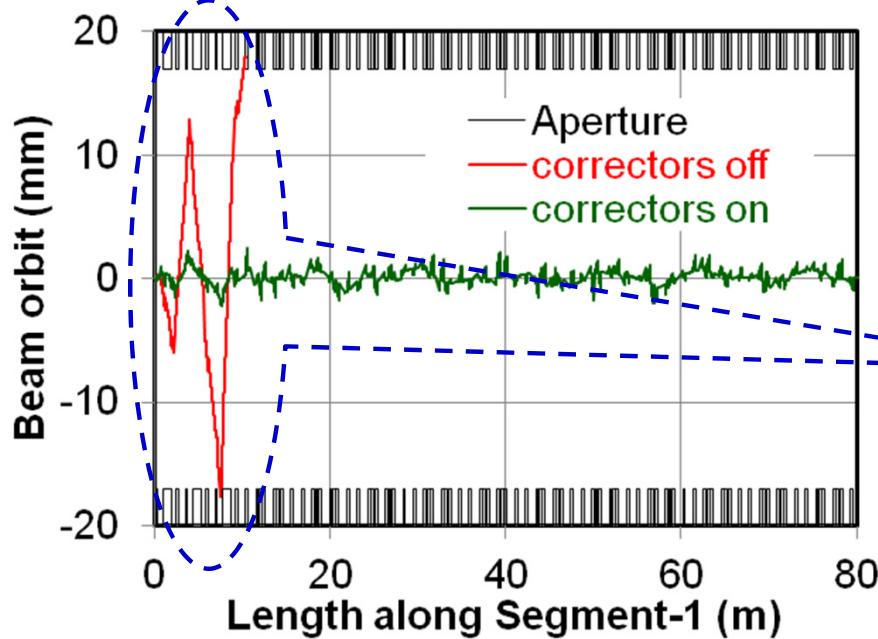
- Longitudinal acceptance reduced by 15%, not likely to lead to beam loss
- Output energy slightly changed (within  $\sim 1\%$ )
- Matched conditions change, but input to linac can be adjusted to rematch

# Beam Tuning Strategy Developed

- Use low current, short pulse, reduced rep rate to decrease beam power (protect damage to machine)
  - Beam current as low as 50 euA
  - Pulse duration as short as 50 us
  - Rep rate as low as possible (1 Hz, even single shot)
- Start with single charge state
  - Charge state controlled by selection slits
  - Tune with reference charge, check other charge state(s)
- Model-based on-line tuning
  - Reduce tuning and recovery time
  - Perform global optimization
- Cavity phase scaling
  - Cavity phase can be set based on the result of previous phase scanning

# Beam Tuning – Orbit Correction Simulation Performed

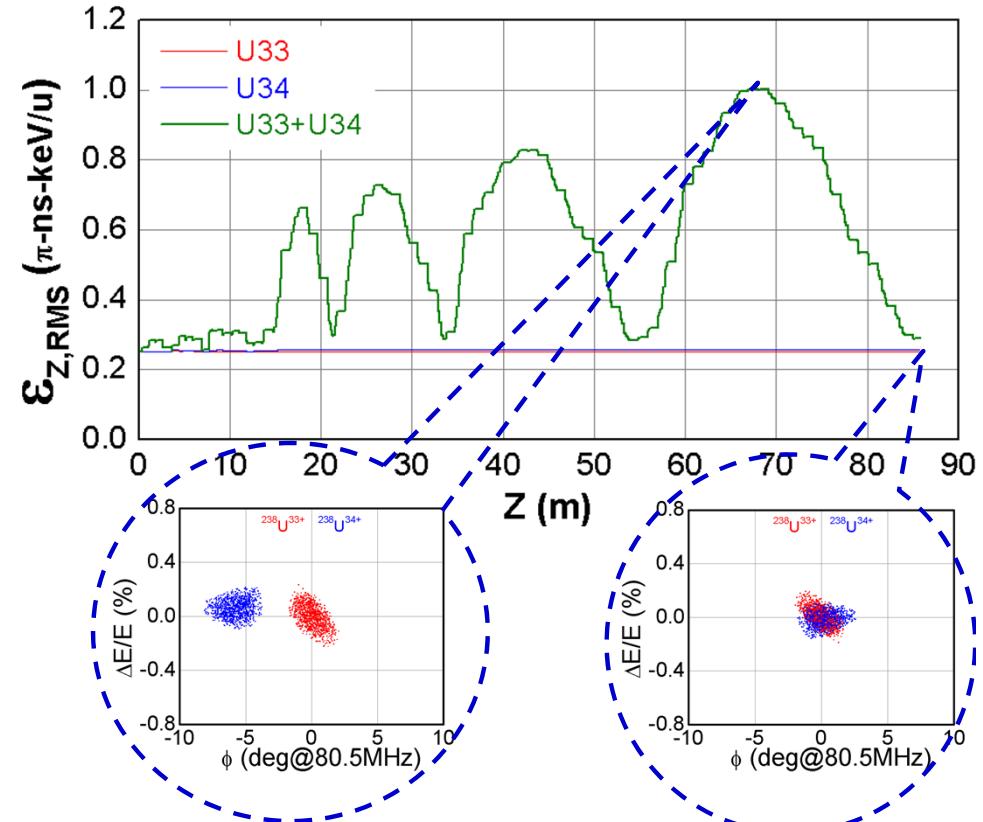
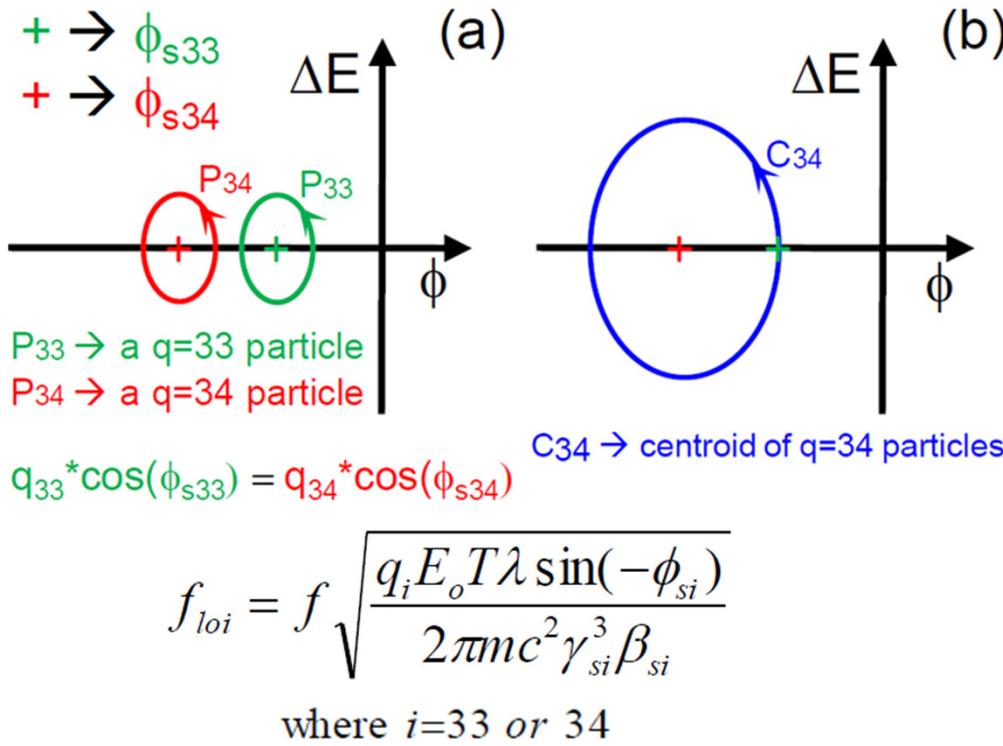
- Without orbit correction beam most likely will not thread through Segment 1 to the beam dump with solenoid misalignment of  $\pm 1\text{mm}$



- Initial orbit correction needs section by section
  - Sufficient number of BPMs and steering correctors
    - » It still works with a couple of BPMs or corrector off
  - Model base orbit corrections will significantly reduce tuning time

# Beam Tuning – Longitudinal Overlap of Two-charge-states Beam at Exit of LS1

- Longitudinal oscillation of two-charge-state beam along Segment 1



- Phase of cavities are adjusted for the overlap of the two-charge-state beam at the exit of Segment 1 by measuring the timing of each charge state beam

# Summary

- FRIB project is proceeding with scope, schedule and cost baselined and ready for civil construction start
- FRIB linac design has been optimized and finalized, consistent with baseline requirements and future upgrades
  - Accelerator lattice footprint frozen since June 2011
- End-to-end beam simulations performed, and error and fault conditions explored
  - Results meet proposed baseline requirements
  - Beam simulation studies show that lattice design is robust
- Linac beam tuning strategies and algorithms studied, and virtual accelerator and on-line control mode being developed to support commissioning and operations

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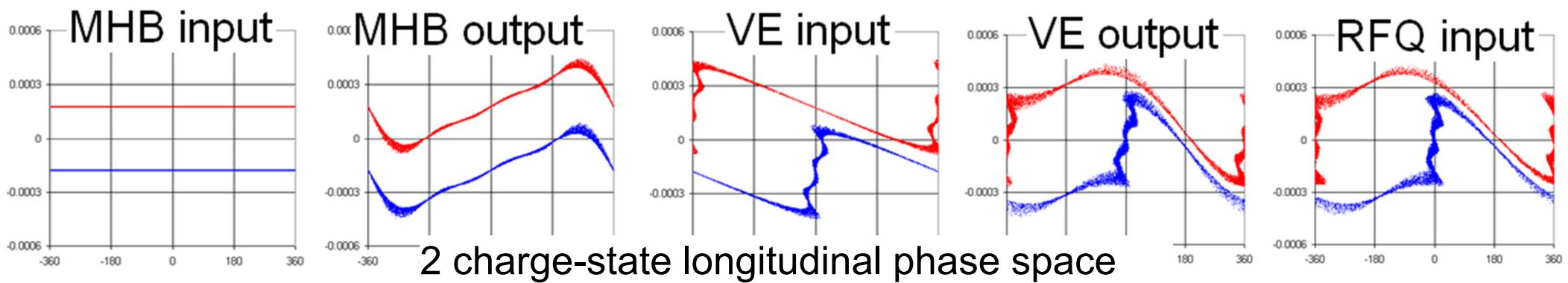
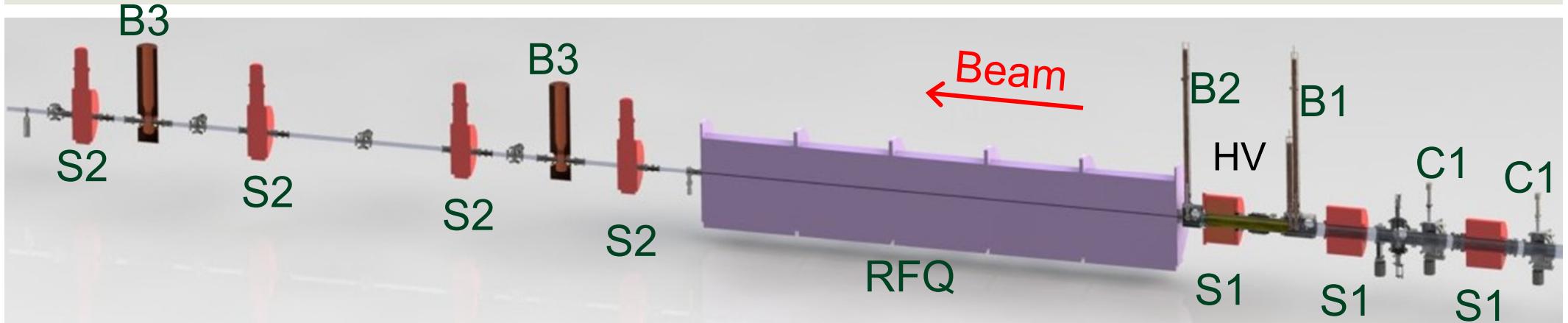
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# Beam Dynamics Challenges – Prebunching at LEBT to Reduce Longitudinal Emittance

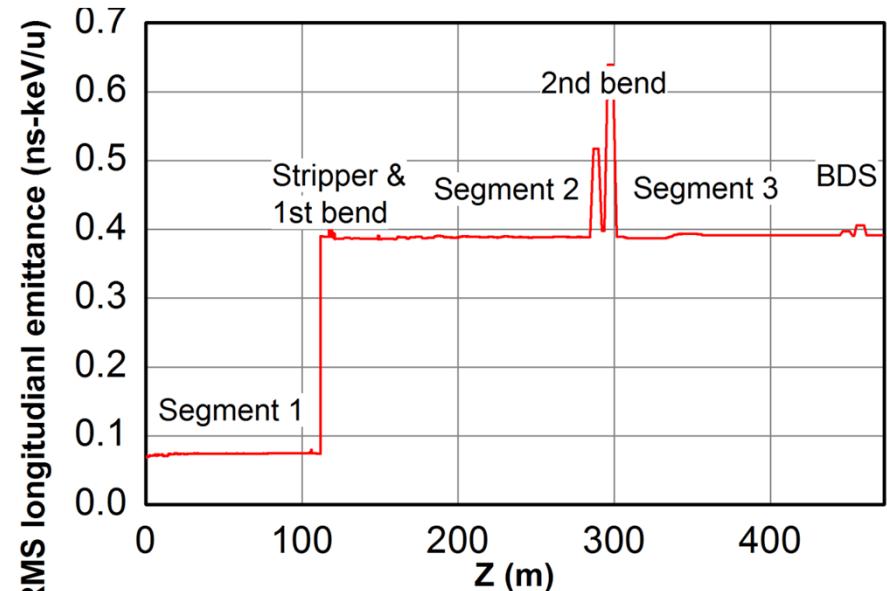
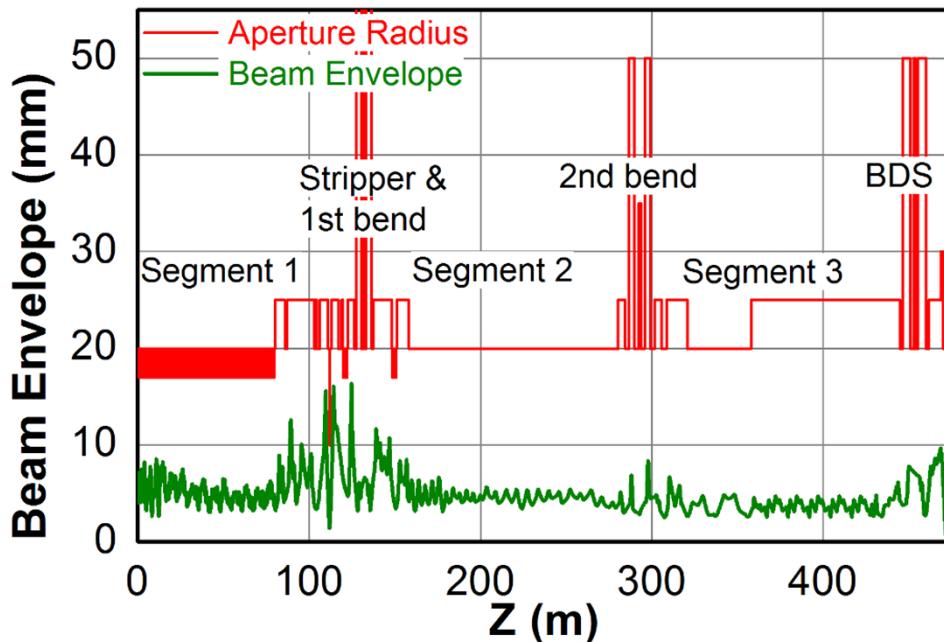


## ▪ Two charge-state injection

- Acceleration/deceleration cavity VE (B2): accelerate lower charge state beam and decelerate higher one (same bunch energy into RFQ)
- HV section between MHB (B1) and VE (B2): adjust relative time flight difference between the two charge-state beams

# End-to-End Simulation Performed with Argon Beam

- Argon is identified as one of the primary beam for commissioning
  - easy to produce
  - can accelerate  $>200\text{MeV/u}$  on target without stripper
- Single charge-state argon ( $q=10$ ,  $A=36$ ) selected from ion source
- Fully stripped into  $q=18$ , with same  $q/A$  as oxygen ( $8/16$ ) after stripper



- Overall performance “better” than multi-charge uranium beam

# Accelerator Availability & Upgradability

## Design Supports Multiple Operational Scenarios

- Baseline scenario (200 MeV/u, 400 kW) with liquid Li stripper for U<sup>78+</sup>
  - Multiple ion sources for enhanced availability
- Alternative scenario with He gas stripper for U<sup>71+</sup>
  - Folding segment optics accommodates both stripping scenarios
- Fault scenario tolerated – comparable to SNS day-1 condition
  - Tolerate 20% cavity underperformance; single cryomodule failure; lower stripping efficiency (charge state down to U<sup>63+</sup>)
- Upgrade scenarios to 300 and 400 MeV/u supported

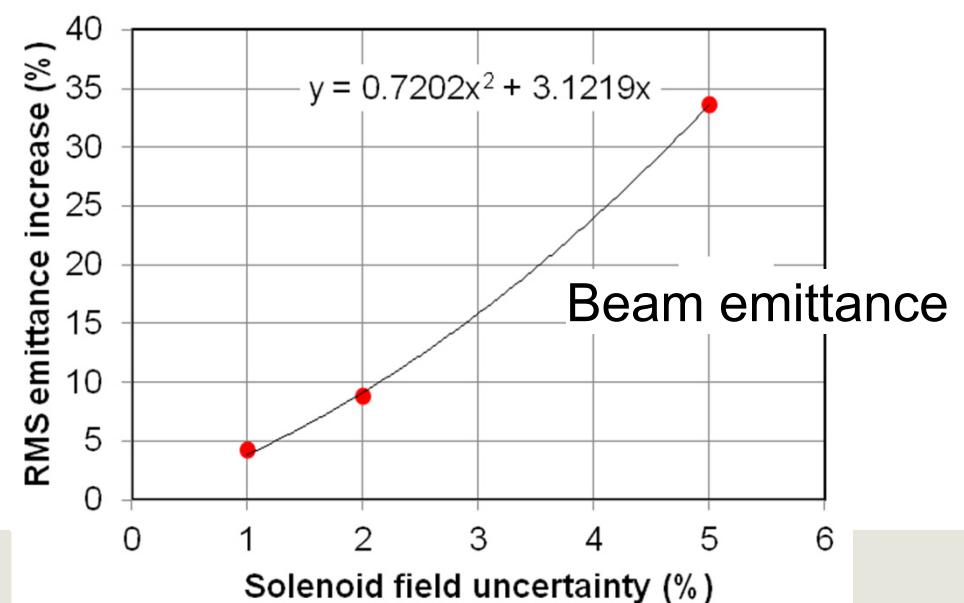
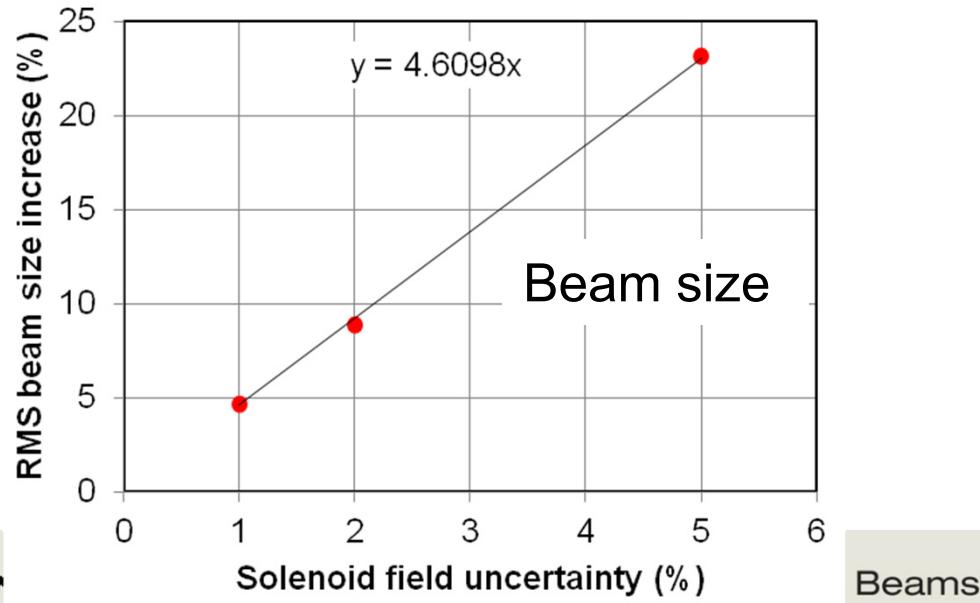
<sup>238</sup>U beam

| Scenario    | Charge state<br>(average) | Energy [MeV/u]<br>(baseline) | Energy [MeV/u]<br>(baseline +<br>+ 3 C.M.) | Energy [MeV/u]<br>(baseline +<br>+ 12 C.M.) | Energy [MeV/u]<br>(baseline + 12 C.M.)<br>(35% gradient enh. for $\beta=0.29$ & $0.53$ ) |
|-------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Proposed    |                           |                              |  |   |  |
| Baseline    | 78+                       | 202                          | 228  | 306   | 413  |
| Alternative | 71+                       | 179                          | 202  | 275   | 375  |
| Fault       | 63+                       | 155                          | 176  | 247   | 342  |



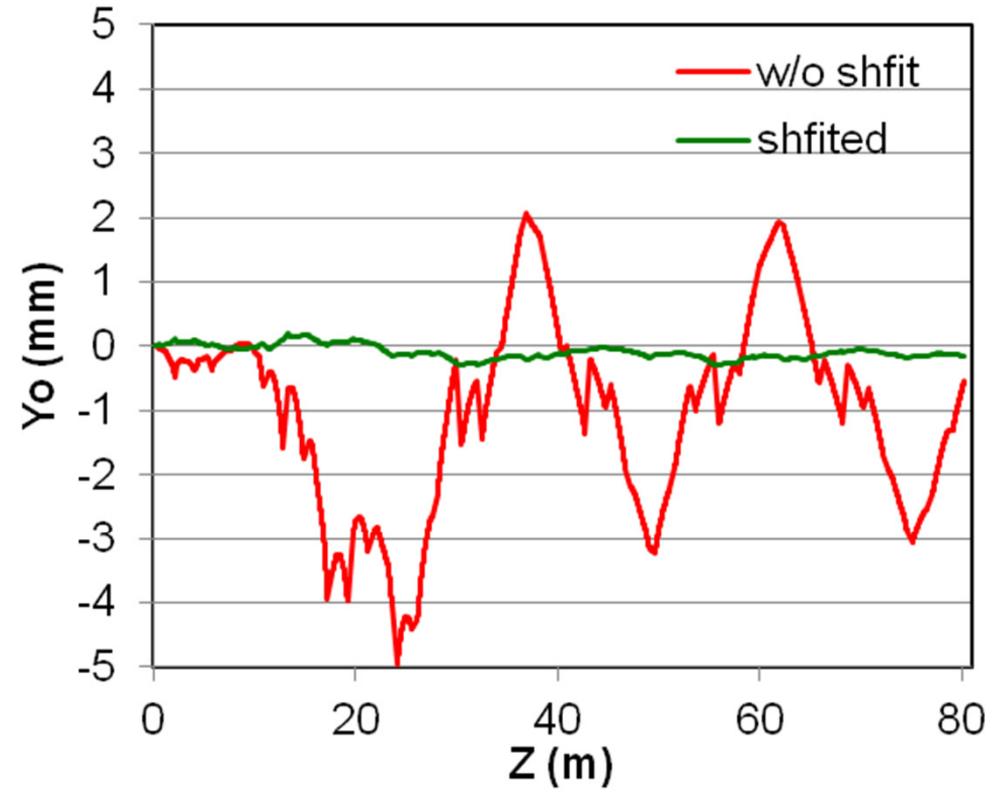
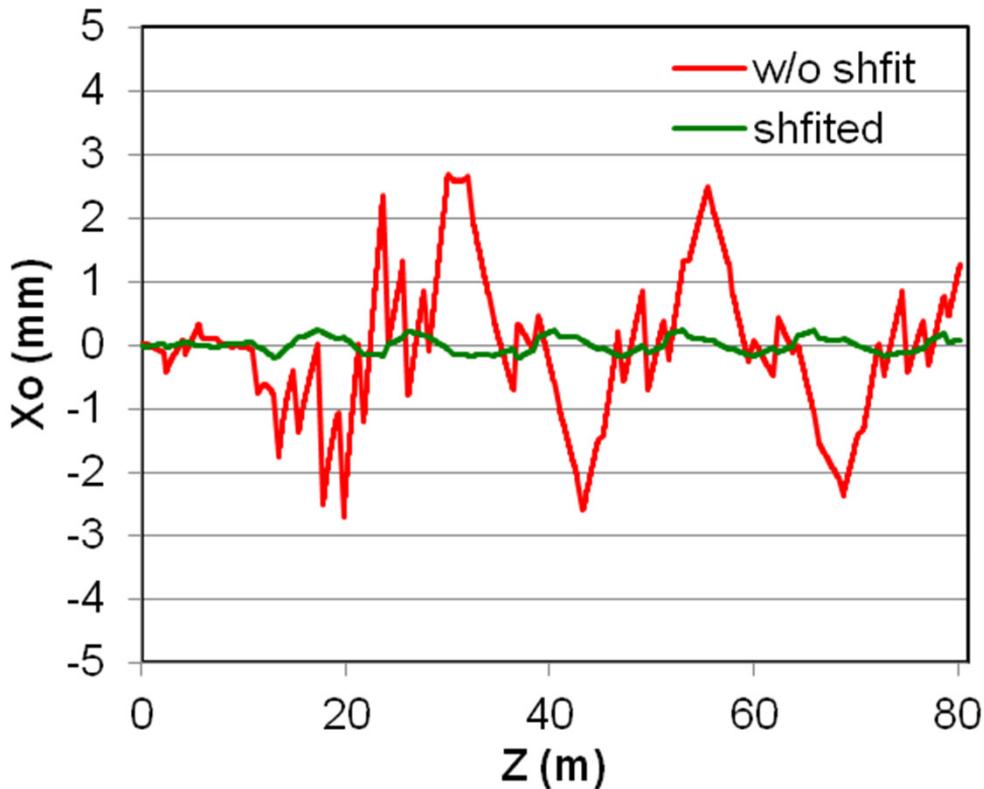
# Beam Sensitivity to Solenoid Setting Errors/Fault

- Solenoid settings will deviate from design limited by diagnostics
  - Transverse matching along the linac will not be ideal
- Settings of all solenoids in Segment1 were assumed to have 1%, 2%, 5% uncertainty with uniform distribution
  - Each has 100 seeds
  - RMS distribution of beam size increase seems linearly with setting errors
  - RMS distribution of emittance grows faster than that of beam size
- Dynamic errors (e.g. power supply fluctuations) typically much smaller



# Vertical Kick from QWRs Compensated

- Vertical kick due to the asymmetrical RF fields of QWR can be compensated by shifting cavity position vertically (0.2 mm for  $\beta=0.041$  cavity and 1.5 mm for  $\beta=0.085$  cavity)
  - » Maximum beam centroids offset reduced from  $\sim 5$  mm to  $\sim 0.3$  mm

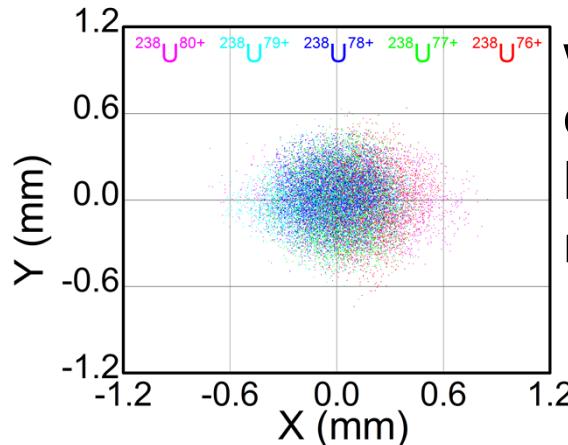


# Effect of Magnet Higher Order Multipoles

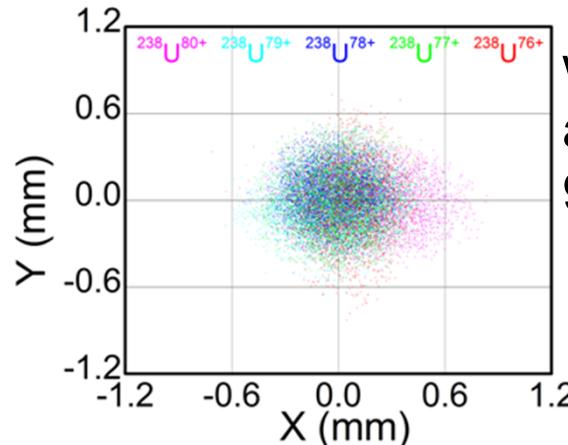
- Magnet higher orders in bending area
  - Dipoles non-uniformity ( $\Delta B/B$ ):  $\pm 0.3\%$
  - Combined function quadrupole/sextupole
    - » Quadrupole non-uniformity ( $\Delta B/B$ ):  $\pm 0.7\%$
    - » Sextupole non-uniformity ( $\Delta B/B$ ):  $\pm 5\%$

## ▪ Impact beam on target (without other errors)

- Percentage of beam within 1mm changed from 96.4% into 93.5%
- Non-uniformity of dipoles in second bending area seems more sensitive



without higher  
orders, 96.4% of  
beam within 1  
mm on target

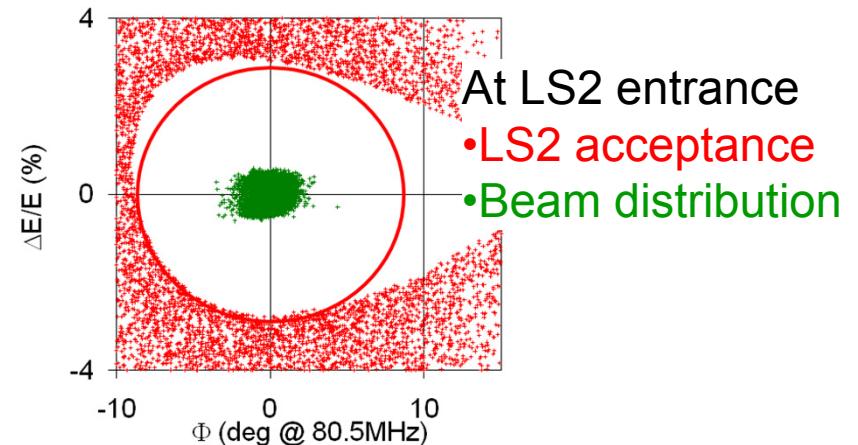
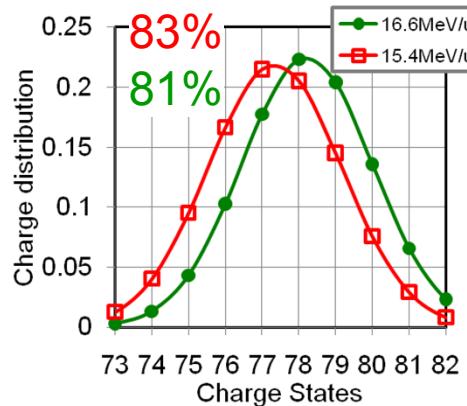


with higher orders and  
adjusted sextupoles,  
93.5% of beam within  
1 mm on target

- Beam simulation with 3D magnet fields to be performed

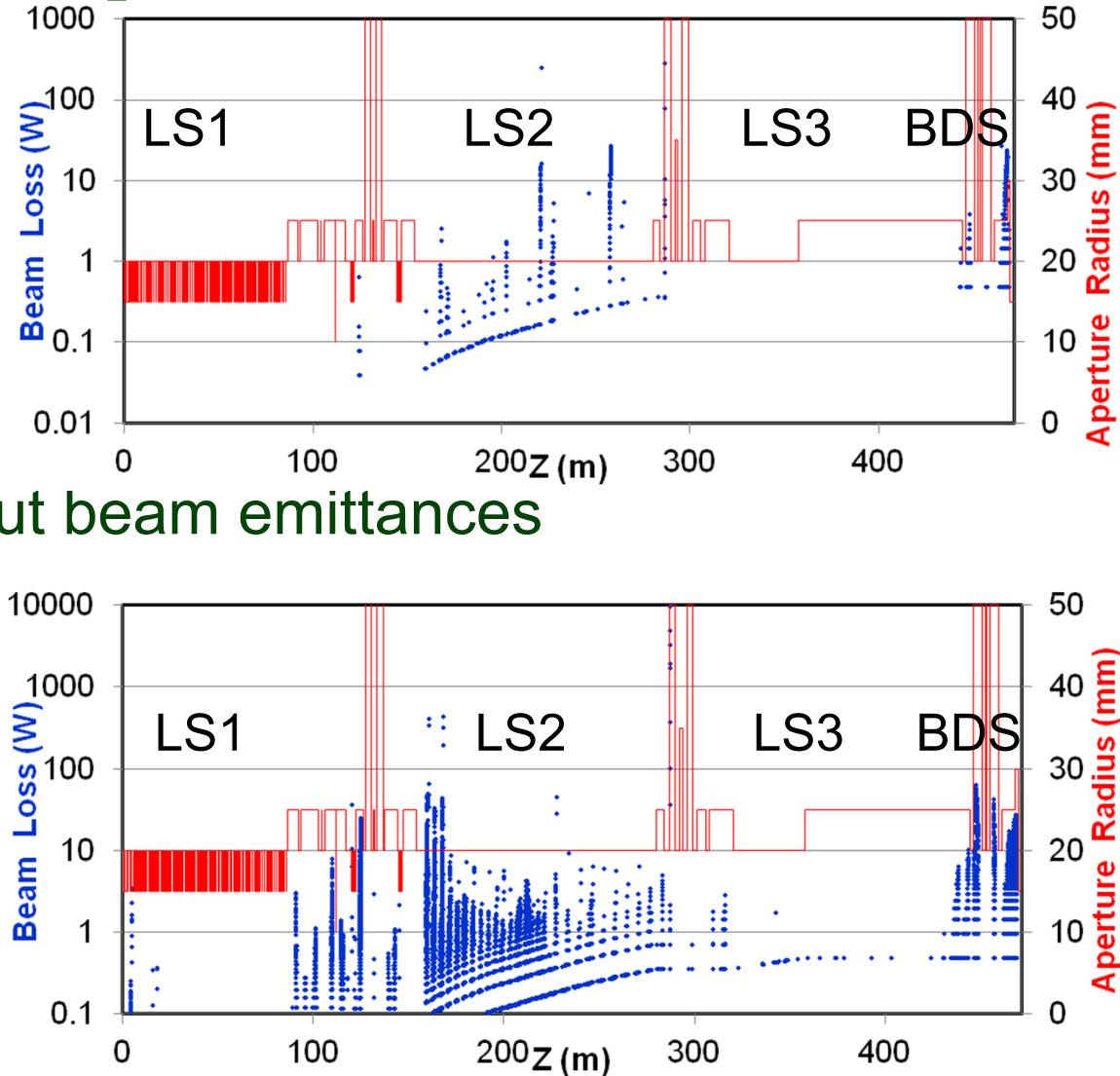
# Example of One $\beta=0.085$ Cryomodule Failure and Lattice Recovery

- Move the last  $\beta=0.085$  cryomodule to replace the failed one
- Need 4 additional quads placed on the location of the moved module
- Reach 200 MeV/u on target
  - Segment 1 output energy 15.4 MeV/u instead of 16.6 MeV/u
  - Average from stripper keeps same  $\langle Q \rangle = 78$
  - 200 MeV/u segment 3 output by adjusting phase of  $1.5^\circ$  for  $\beta=0.53$  cavities
- Transverse and longitudinal distribution on target can be recovered
  - Two charge states overlap in longitudinal plane before stripper by slightly adjust the phase of all  $\beta=0.085$  cavities



# Beam Loss Distribution with Different Scenarios

- 2x larger RF jitter and 2x positioning errors than the nominal ones
  - Loss mainly distributed in the LS2, BDS and bending areas, but not in the LS1 and LS3
- 4x larger RF jitter, 3x larger input beam emittances
  - Loss still mainly distributed in the LS2, BDS and bending areas, occurred but probability was low in the LS1 and LS3
- Beam loss initiated in low energy side due to the larger RF errors



# Beam Tuning – Twiss Parameter Matching Simulation Performed

- Obtain Twiss parameters by measuring sigma matrix

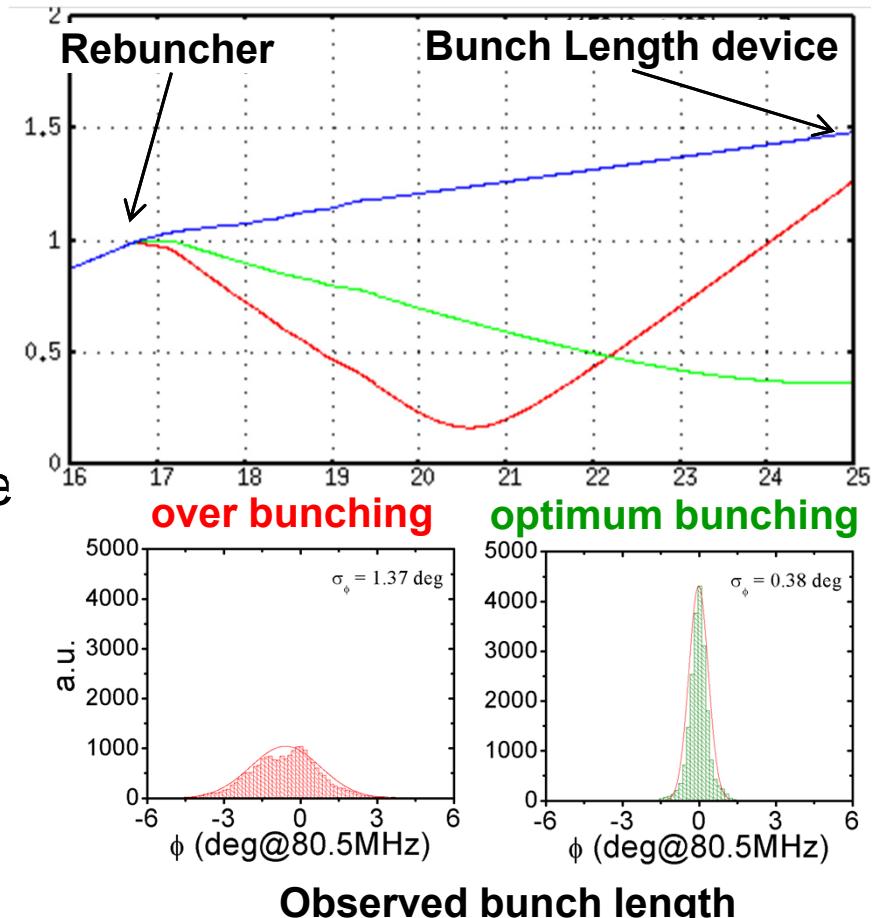
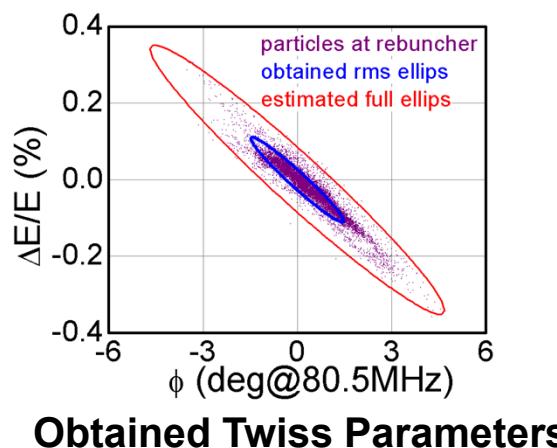
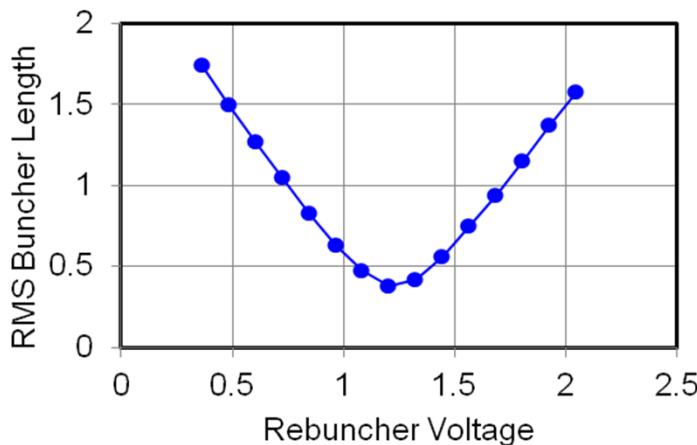
$$(\sigma_{bl})_{11} = M_{11}^2 \cdot (\sigma_r)_{11} + 2M_{11} \cdot M_{12} \cdot (\sigma_r)_{12} + M_{12}^2 \cdot (\sigma_r)_{22}$$

- measured  $(\sigma_{bl})_{11}$ , known  $M_{11}, M_{12}, M_{22}$   
obtained  $(\sigma_r)_{11}, (\sigma_r)_{12}, (\sigma_r)_{22}$

$$\beta_r = \frac{(\sigma_r)_{11}}{\varepsilon} \quad \gamma_r = \frac{(\sigma_r)_{22}}{\varepsilon} \quad \alpha_r = -\frac{(\sigma_r)_{12}}{\varepsilon}$$

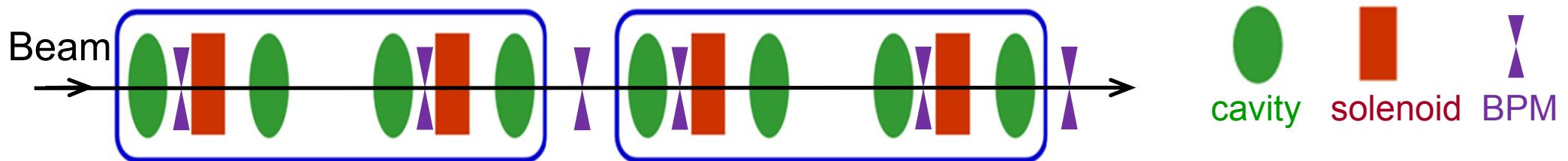
- Longitudinal matching to stripper

- Measure bunch length vs. rebuncher voltage



- Same method applies transverse matching by quad/solenoid scanning

# Beam Tuning – Cavity Phase Setup Simulation Performed



- Scan the cavity phase ( $\varphi_i$ ) and measure the corresponding beam energy change ( $\Delta E_i$ ) using downstream BPMs

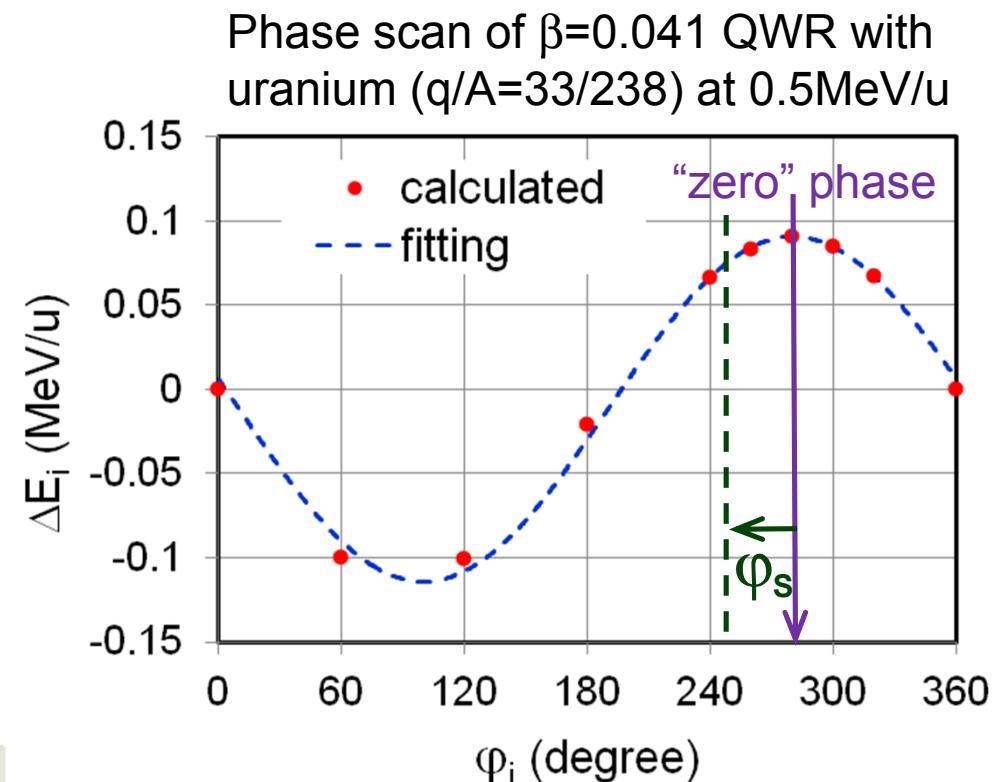
- Find the “zero” phase where energy gain is maximum
- Setup the cavity synchronous phase  $\varphi_s$  with respect to the “zero”
- Obtain cavity voltage ( $V_c$ ) by

$$\Delta E_i = \frac{q}{A} \cdot V_c \cdot \cos \varphi_i$$

- » Known  $q/A$ ,  $\varphi_i$

- » Measured  $\Delta E_i$  for  $\varphi_i$

- Downstream cavities off, solenoids may on during phase scanning



# FRIB Resonators and Cryomodules: Beam Dynamics Specifications

