

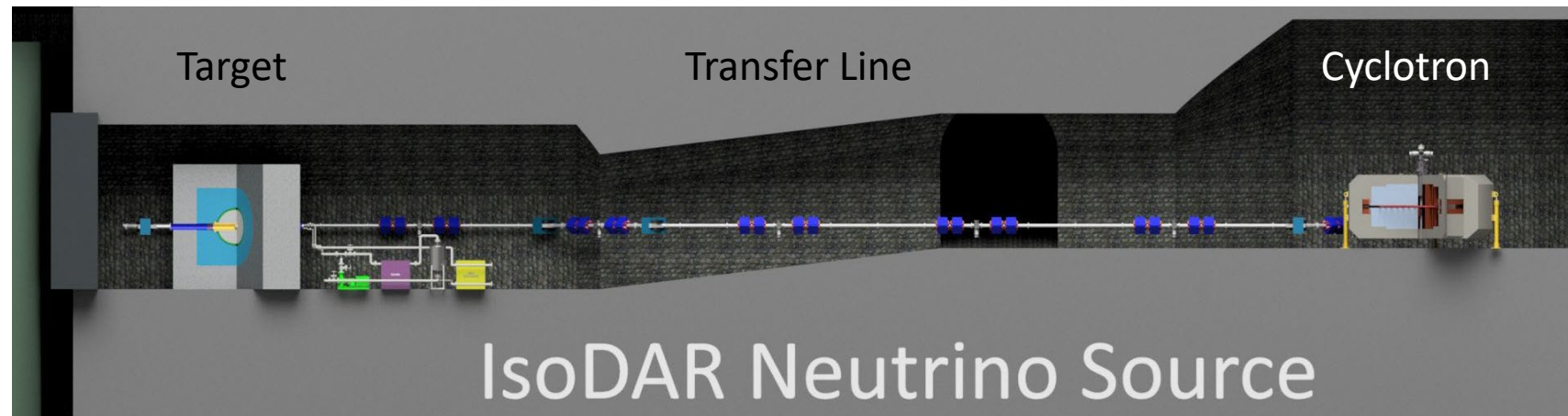
IsoDAR@Yemilab Cyclotron and Target

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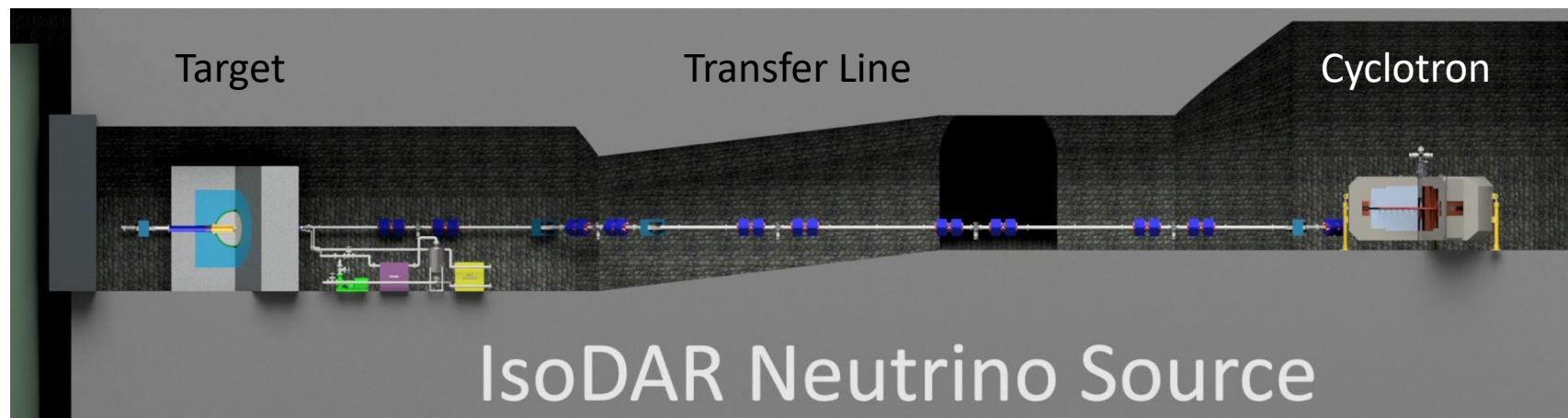


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- Cyclotrons are best-suited (cost-effective, compact, well-established)

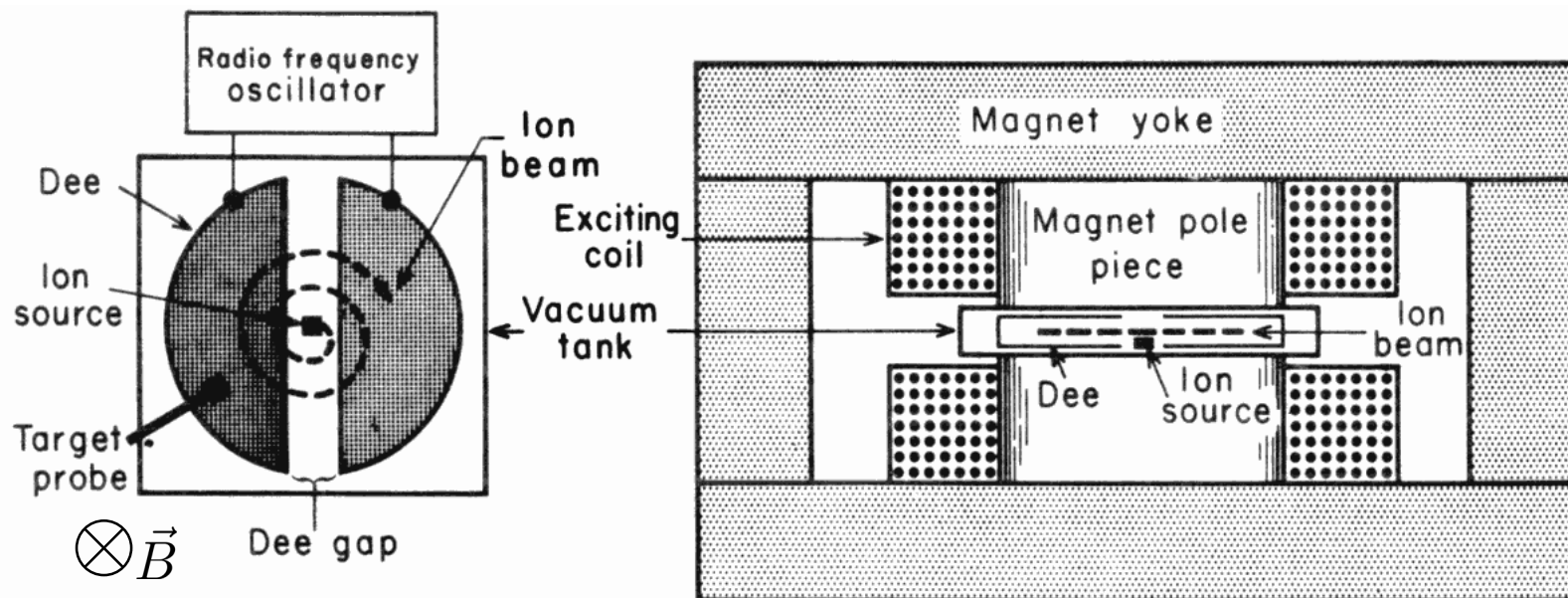


The Cyclotron – A brief introduction

Cyclotrons – Basic operating principle

- Particles are forced on circular orbits by a dipole magnetic field
- Acceleration is added by oscillating copper shells (Dees) → spiral orbit

$$V(t) = V_{\max} \cdot \cos(\omega_{\text{RF}} \cdot t - \Phi_S) \quad \omega = 2\pi f = \frac{qB}{\gamma m_0} \quad r = \frac{\gamma \beta m_0 c}{qB}$$



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cw
continuous wave =
every RF period
contains one bunch

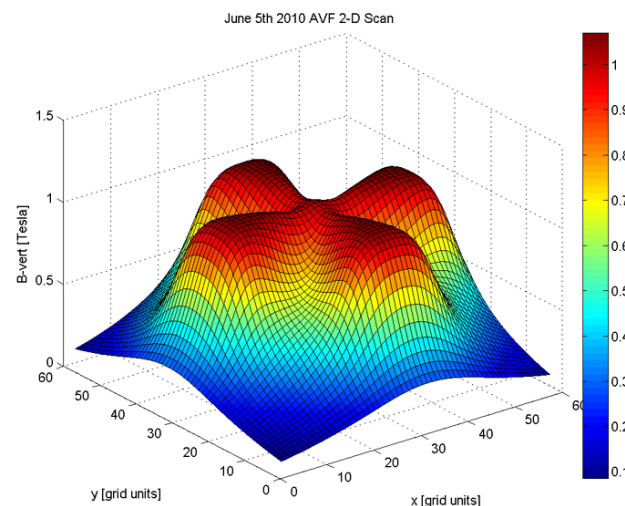
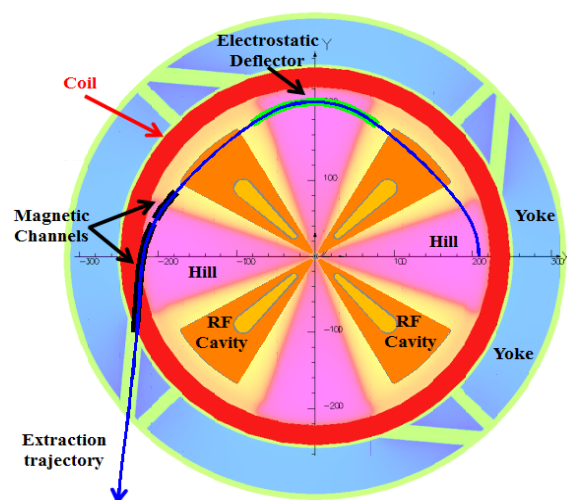
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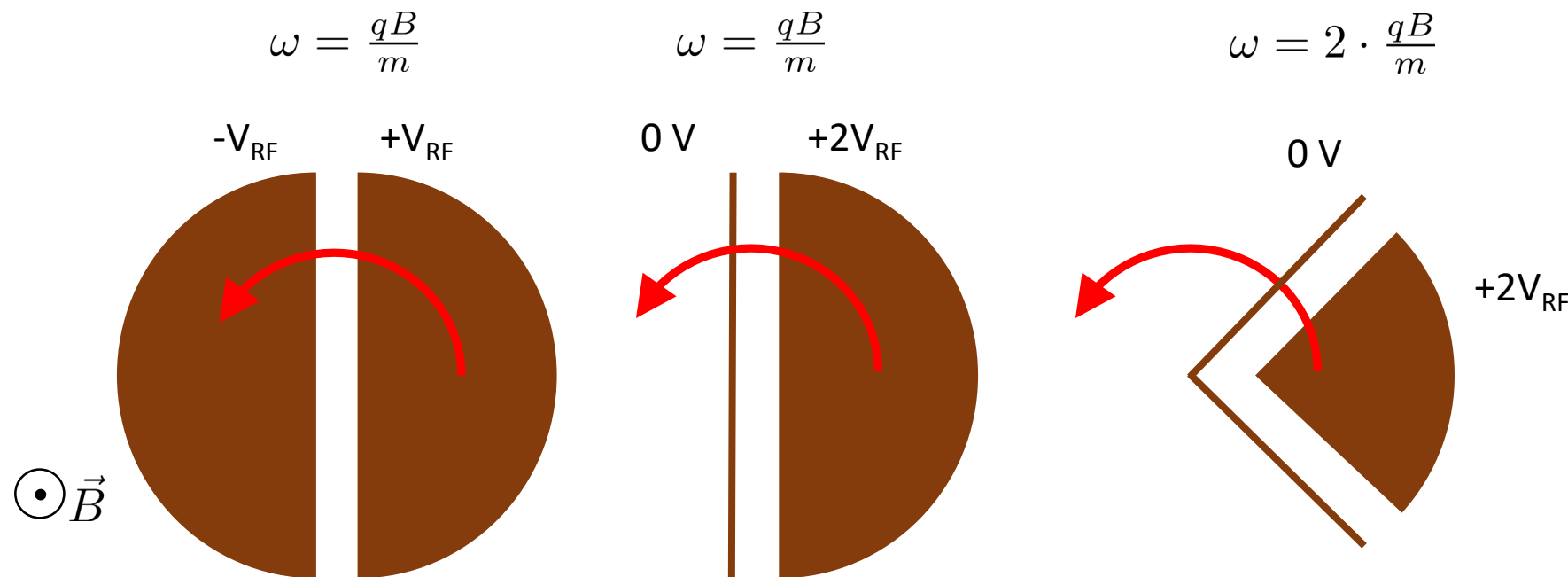
CW
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AVF
Azimuthally Varying
Field (for vertical
focusing)

Cyclotrons – RF Cavities/Dees

- Dee doesn't have to be "D"-shaped:

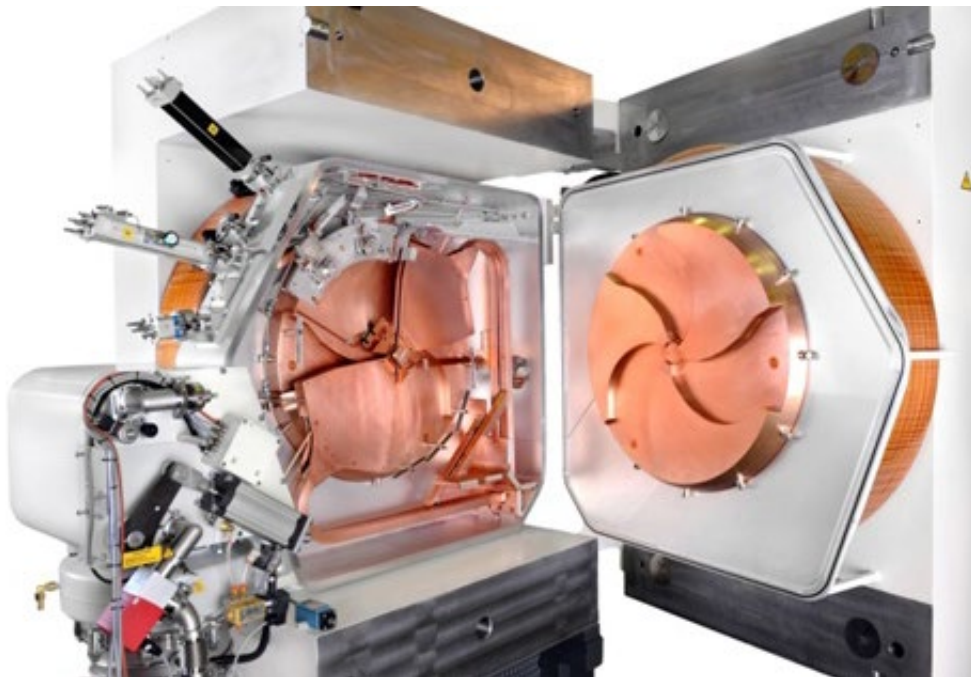


Harmonic
Integer multiple
of base frequency

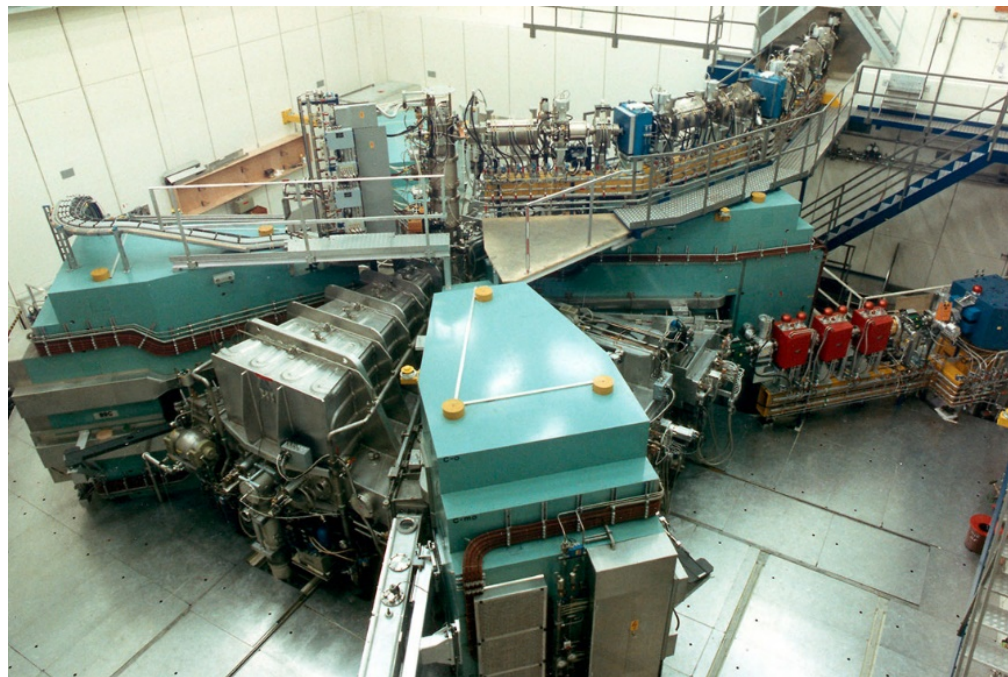
- In general: $\omega = h \cdot \frac{qB}{m}$, RF can be any integer multiple of particle frequency.
- Dees can be made into double gap cavities with angle = $180/h$

The state-of-the-art in cyclotrons

Commercial: 1 mA (compact)
Medical Isotope Production

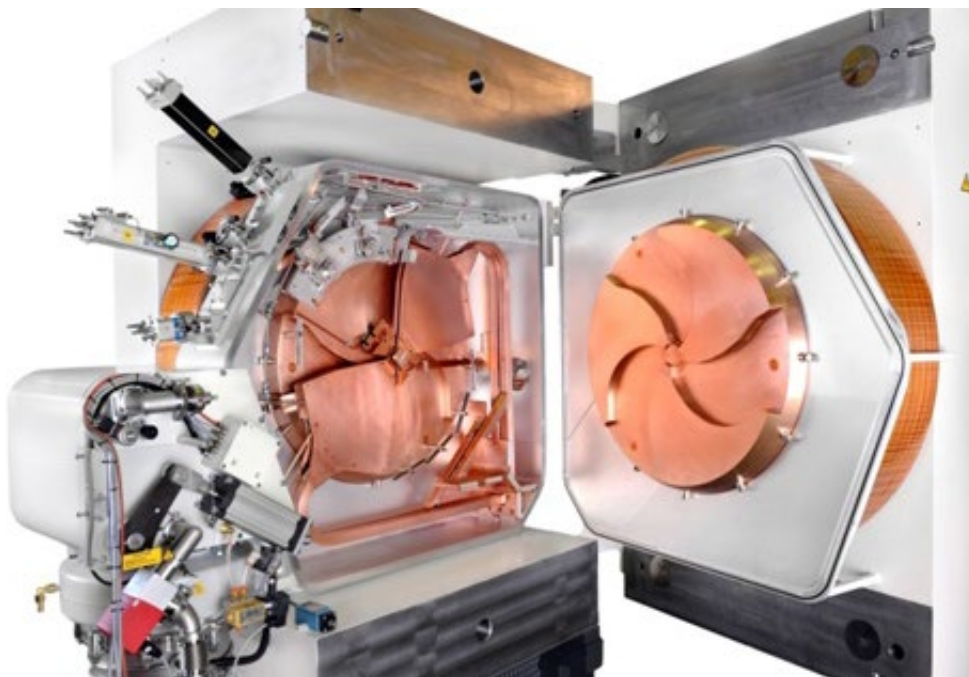


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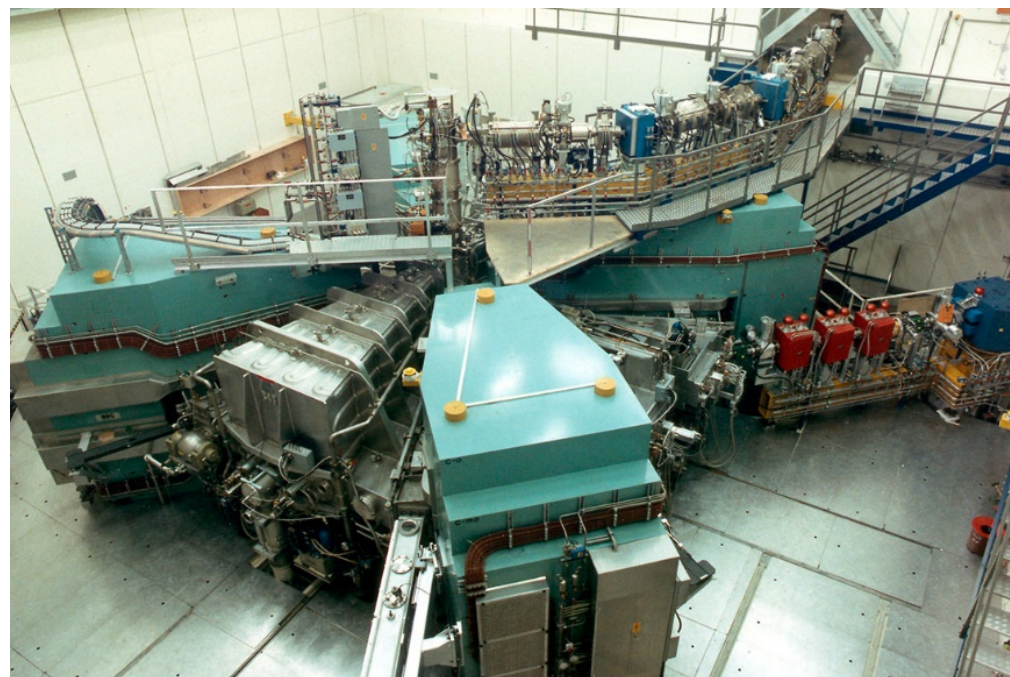


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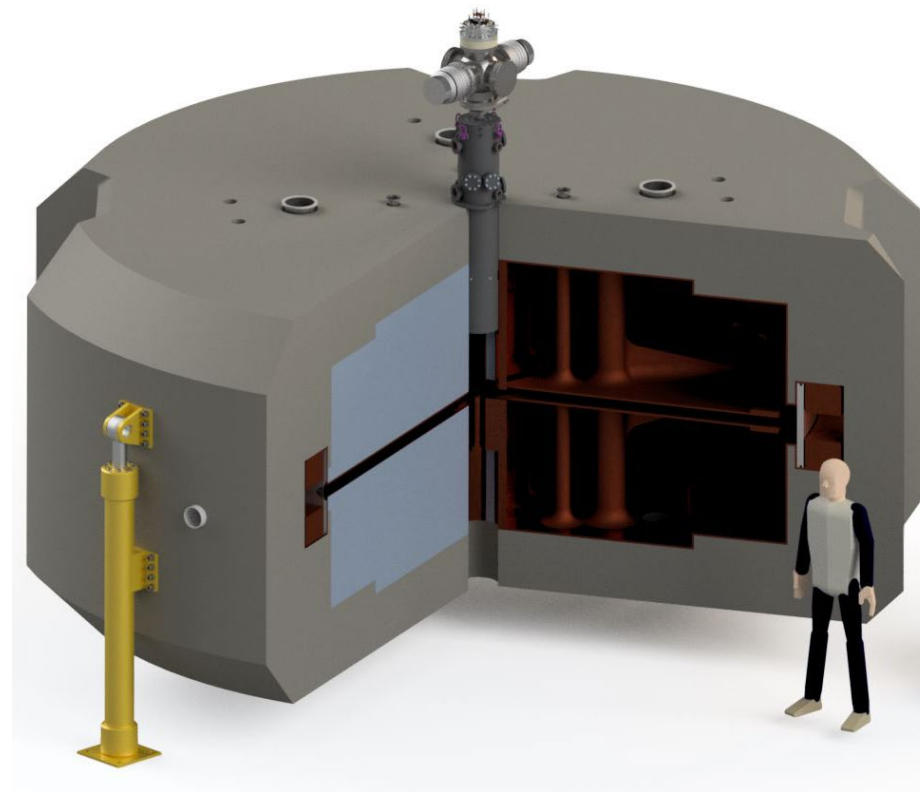
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We took lessons from both and added innovations to design a record beam of 10 mA

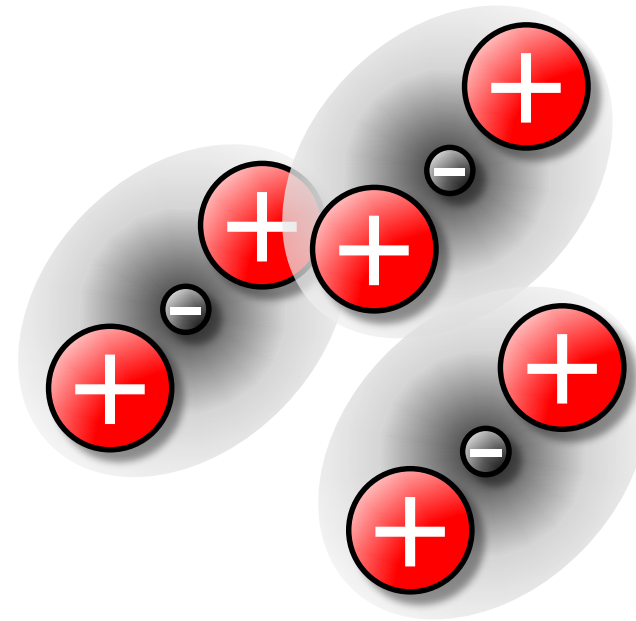
The IsoDAR cyclotron – main parameters

- Room-temperature coils (no cryogenics needed)
- Isochronous, cw, 80% duty factor
- Operates at 32.8 MHz (4th harmonic)
- 4 double-gap cavities
→ high energy gain/turn
- Accelerates H_2^+ ions instead of protons
- Direct axial injection through a **Radiofrequency Quadrupole (RFQ)**
 - Efficient bunching
 - Moderate pre-acceleration
- Utilizes **vortex motion**
(a beam dynamics effect during acceleration)



Accelerating H_2^+ alleviates space charge

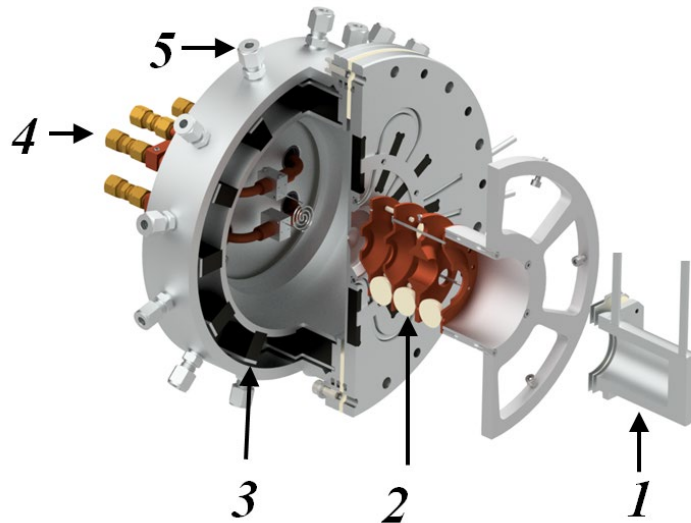
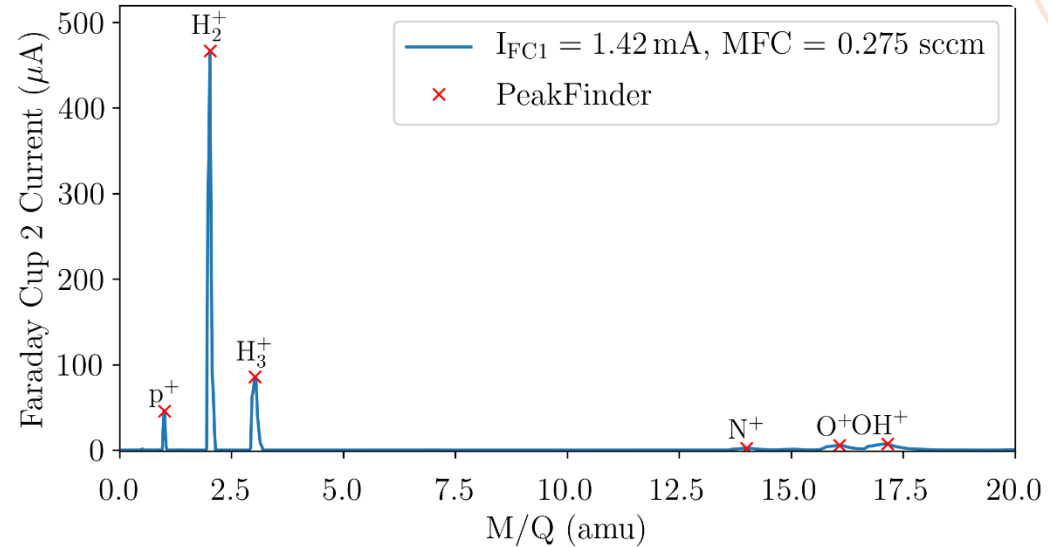
- Two units of charge for one!
- After extraction from cyclotron:
 - Remove electron by foil-stripping
 - → get two protons
- Easier to:
 - bring beam from ion source to RFQ
 - bring beam from RFQ onto cyclotron median plane
 - accelerate high currents
- Slight drawback:
 - higher rigidity → larger machine
 - accommodated this in the design



H₂⁺ ion source (MIST-1) commissioned at 25% power at MIT

- Filament-driven multicusp ion source
- > 1 mA of H₂⁺
- 80% purity
- High quality beam emittance: 0.05 π -mm-mrad (RMS, norm.)
- Now ramping up to 100% power

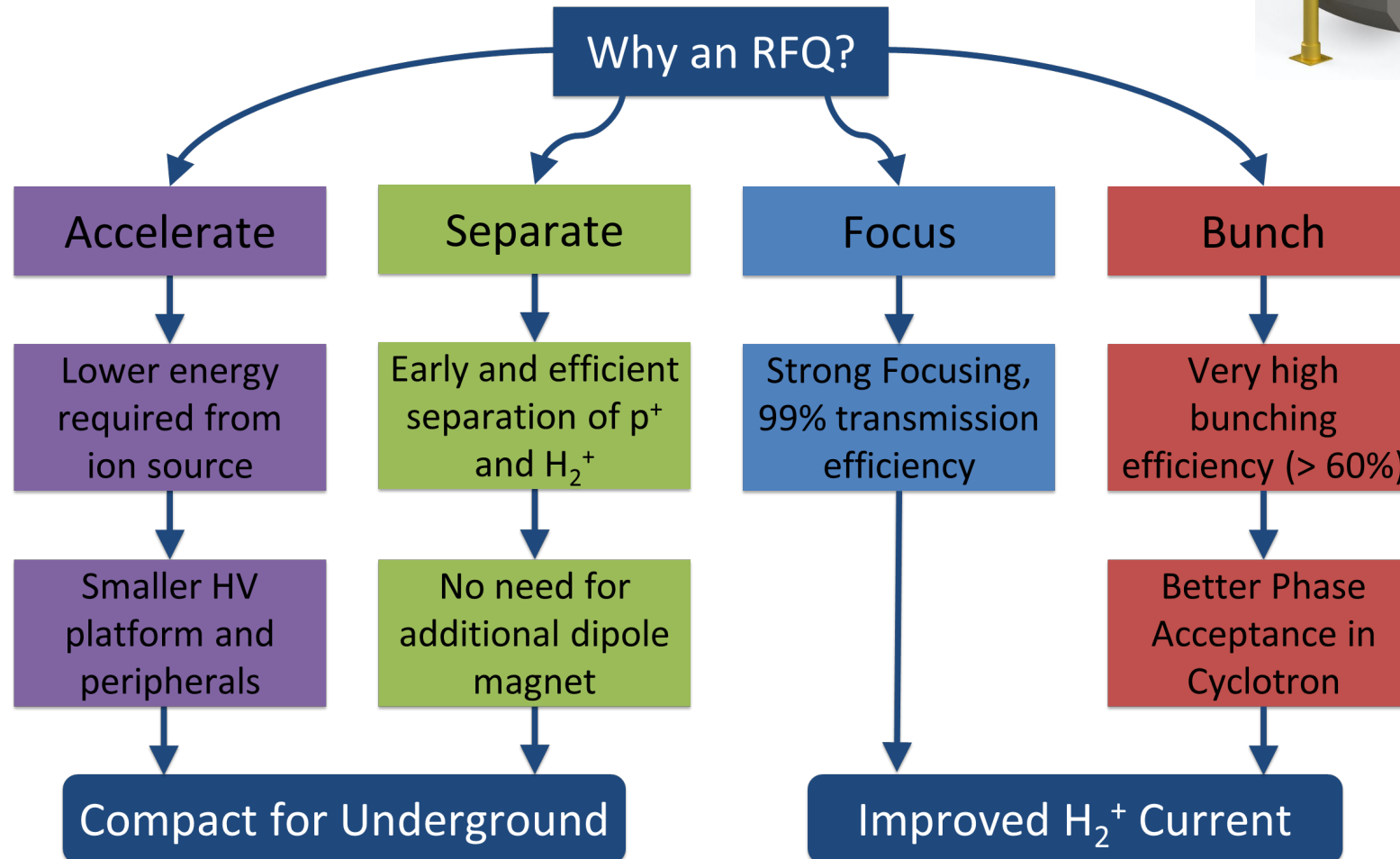
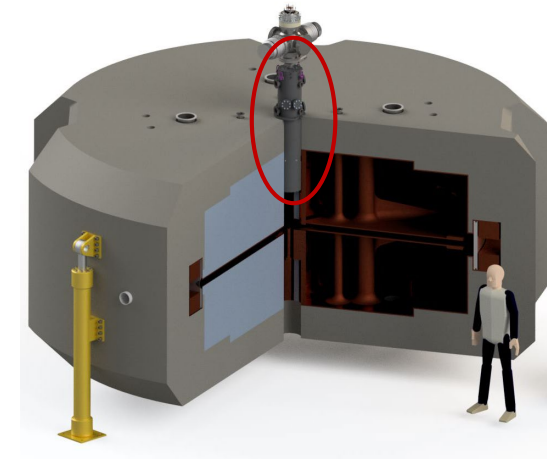
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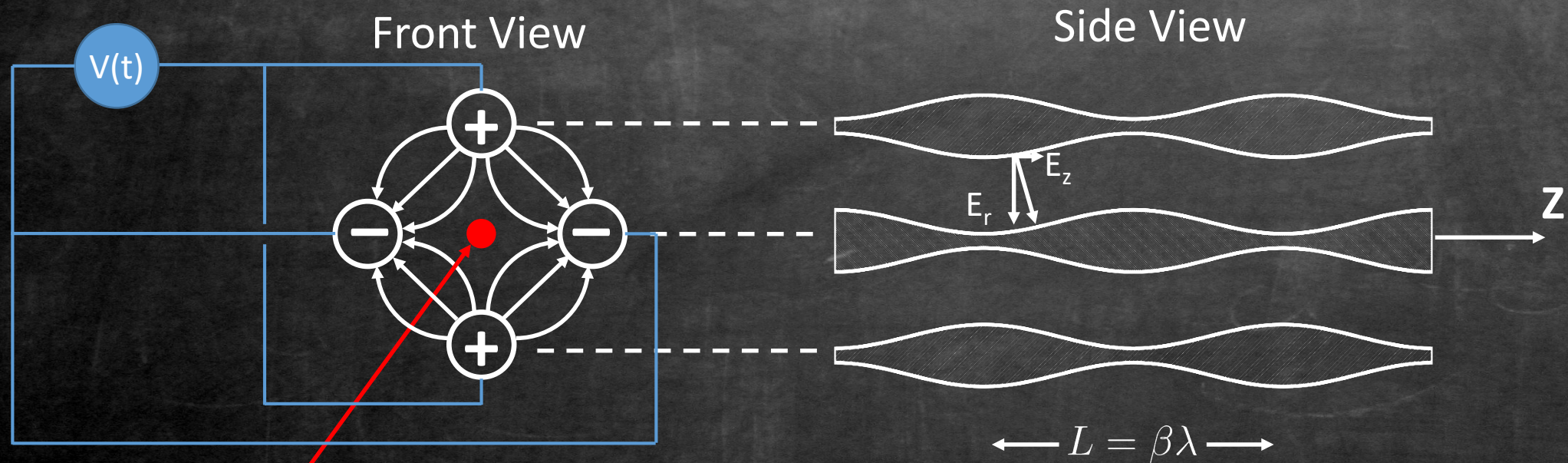
Emittance
Figure of merit for
how quickly beam
will spread out



Radiofrequency Quadrupole (RFQ)



RFQ General Principle

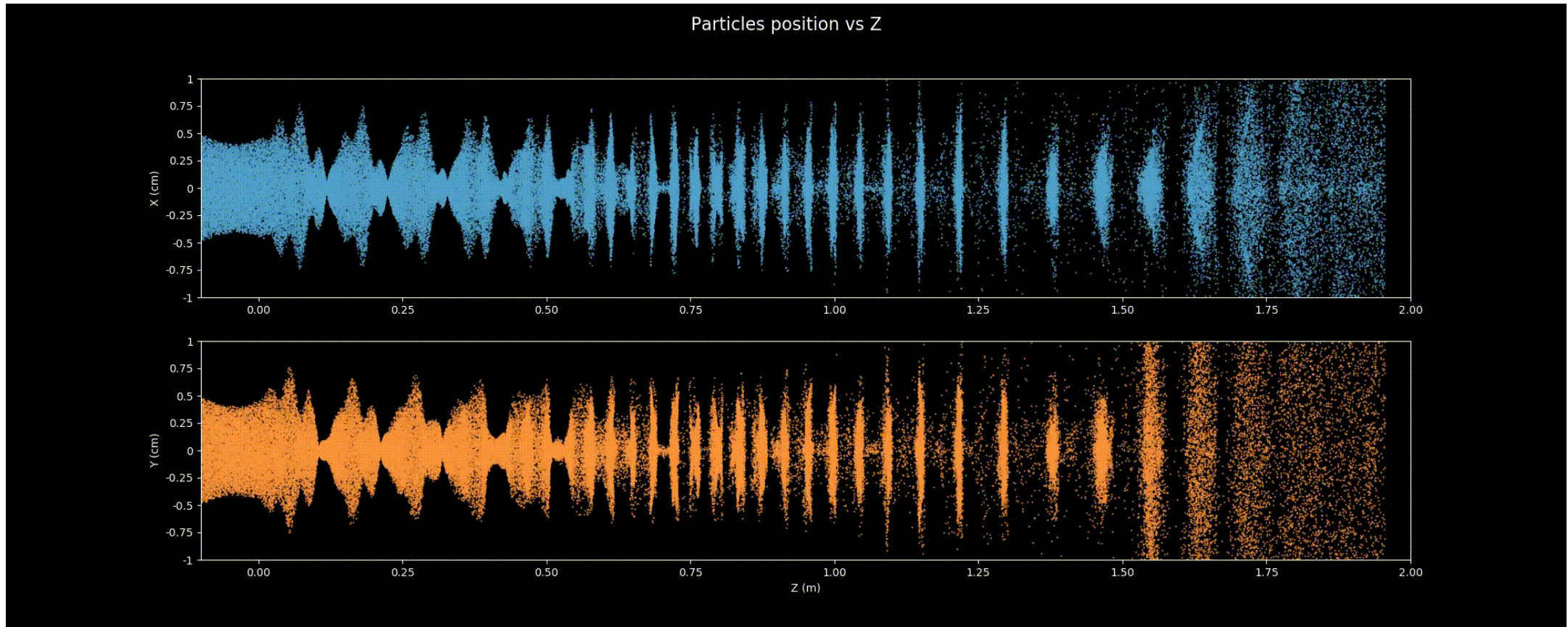


Beam

$$V(t) = V_{\max} \cdot \cos(\omega_{\text{RF}} \cdot t - \Phi_S)$$

- Continuous focusing like in a series of alternating F/D Electrostatic quadrupoles
- Modulations lead to acceleration and bunching (RF bunching similar to cyclotron)
- Same frequency as cyclotron

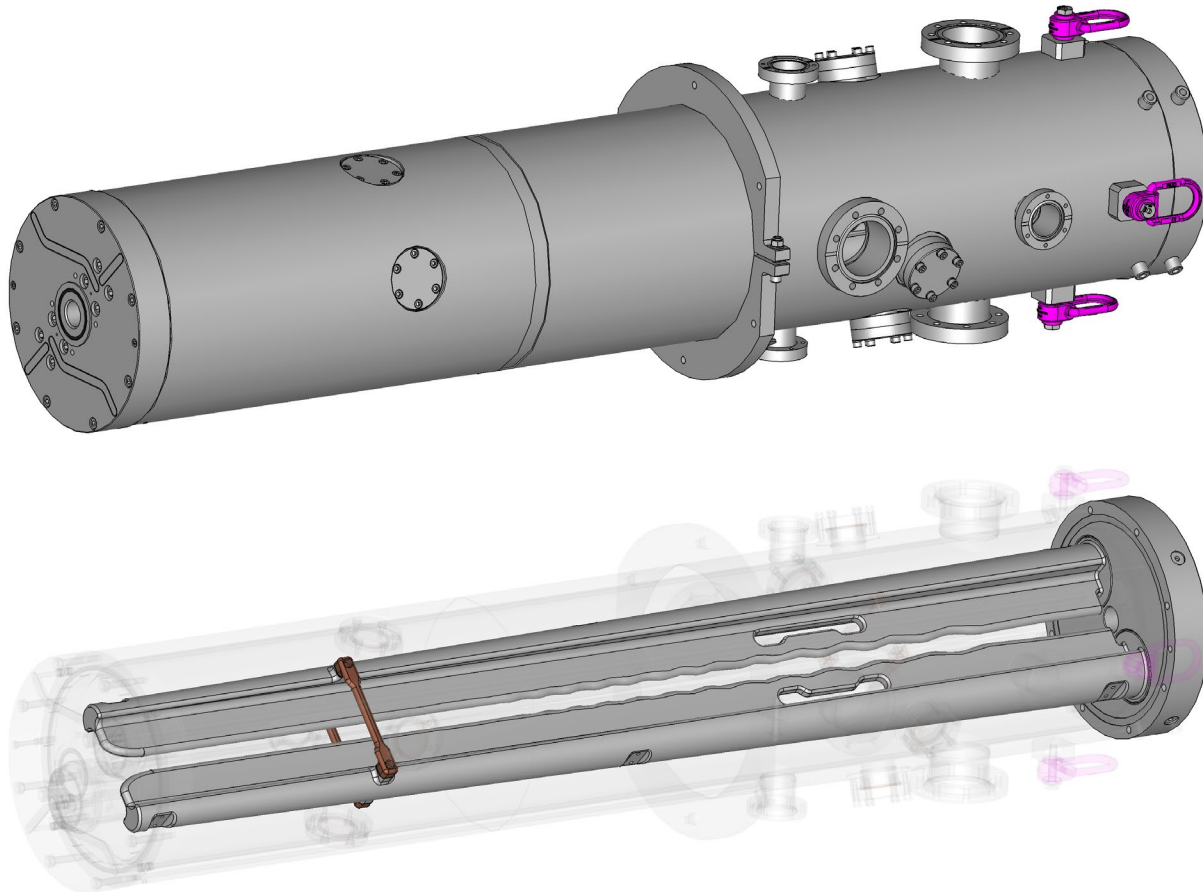
Particles are continuously focused transversally, while being bunched longitudinally



Highly accurate particle in cell (PIC) simulations using well-established WARP code

RFQ technical design is currently being finalized – manufacturing commences soon

Split-Coaxial RFQ
Eigenmode of tank
allows low frequency
with small diameter



| Elements | Unit | Design parameters |
|------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| Frequency | MHz | 32.8 |
| Particle | A/q | H ₂ ⁺ (2) |
| Length | mm | 1378.69 |
| No. of cells | | 58 |
| Transmission rate | % | 97.27 |
| Beam energy | keV | 15 → 70 |
| Input Trans. emit (rms, norm) | mm-mrad | 0.3000 ~0.25 |
| Trans. emittance (rms, norm) | mm-mrad | 0.3427 ~0.25 |
| Long. emittance (rms) | keV-deg | 40.24 ~30 |
| Vane voltage | kV | 20.14 |
| min. vane-tip aperture | mm | 6.83 |
| vane-tip curvature | mm | 9.30 |
| r ₀ , mid-cell aperture | mm | 9.30 |
| Octupole term | | 0.070 |

Power: kW < 6

Technical Design by Bevatech, GmbH, Germany

Details about the RFQ design

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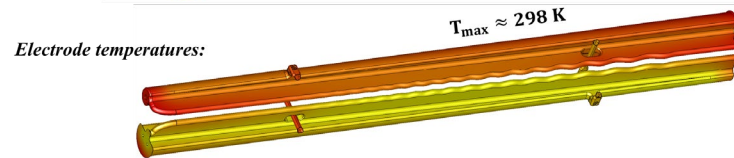
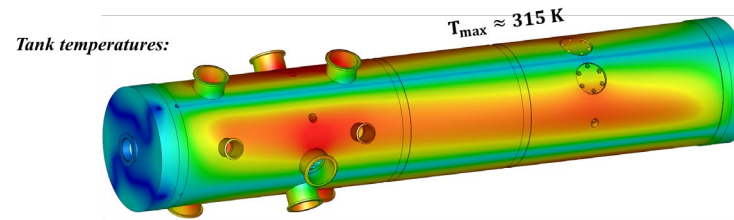
- Split-Coaxial
- Good frequency tuning capabilities
- Mechanical Stability through stabilizer bars



frequency: 25.456 Hz

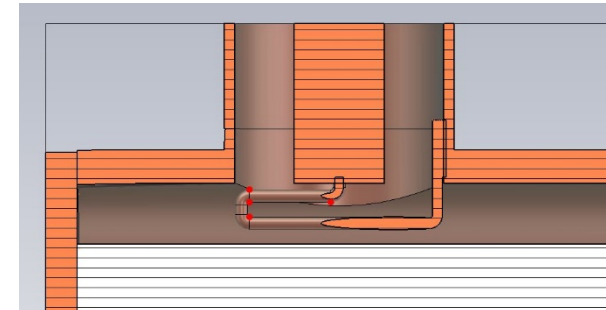
Thermal properties and cooling

- CFD & FEA
- Good agreement between CST & COMSOL
- Frequency detuning (24 kHz) can be compensated by tuner



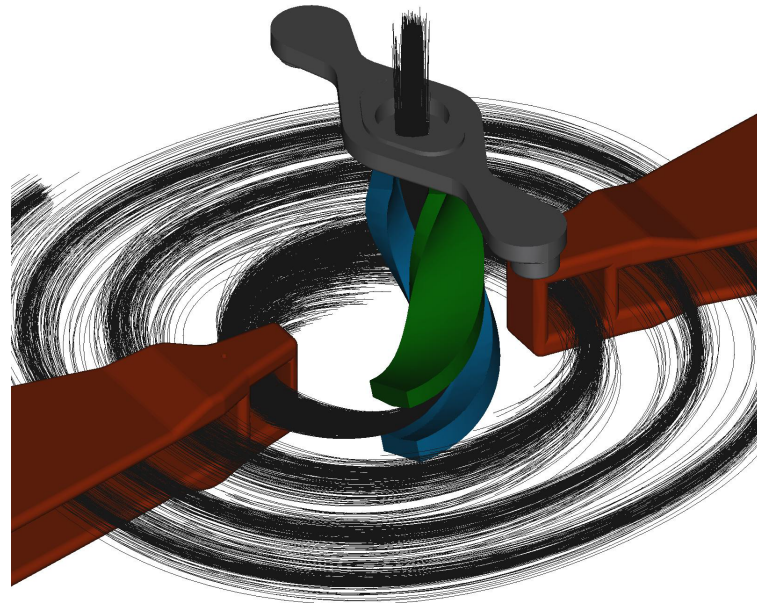
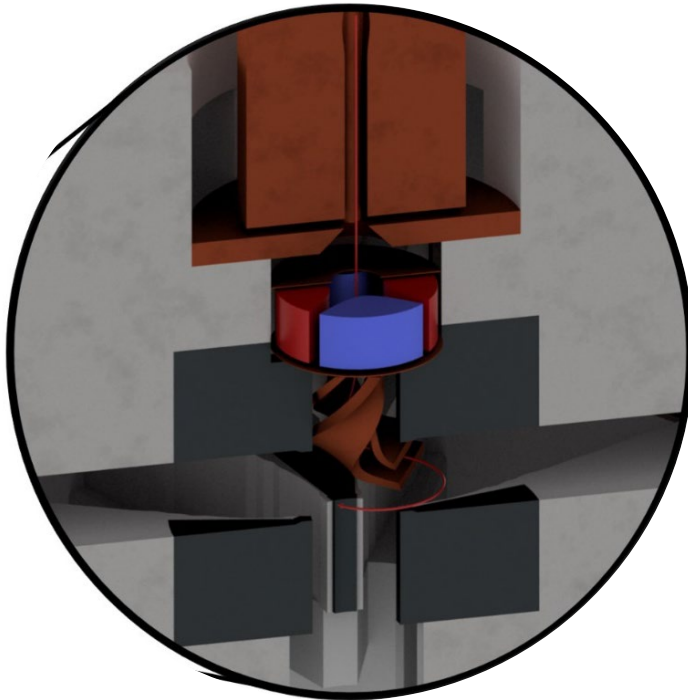
Loop coupler optimization

- Position-, shape-, rotation studies
- Good agreement between CST & COMSOL
- Estimated power (with beam & contingency): 5.33 kW



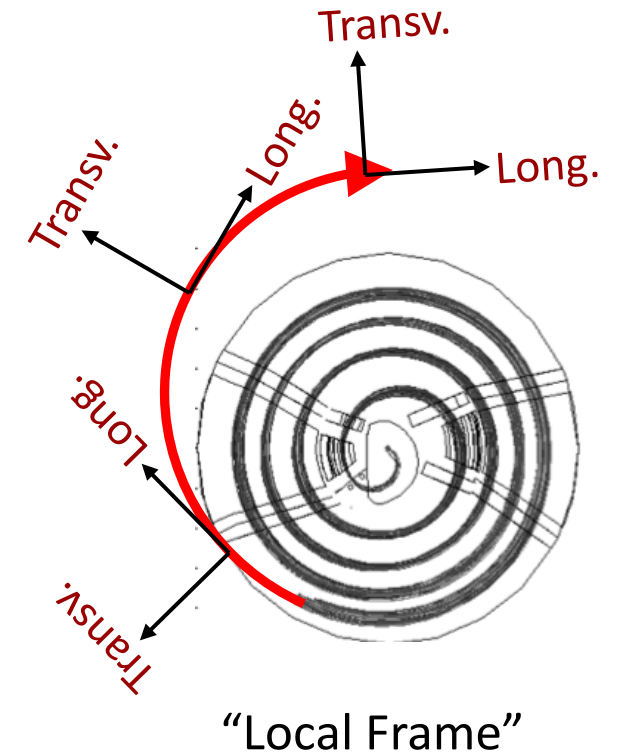
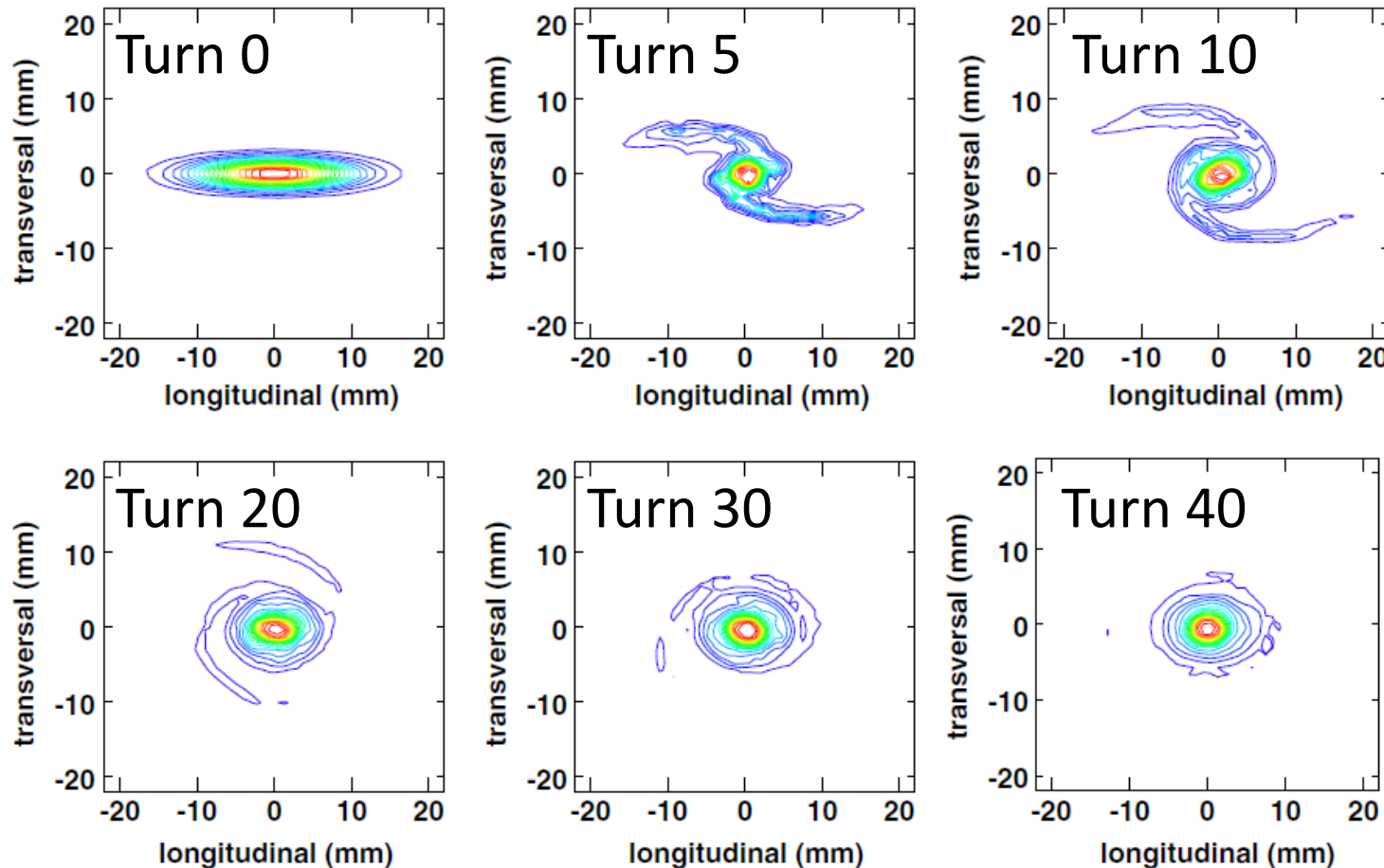
After being bunched and pre-accelerated, beam is brought into the cyclotron and accelerated

- We have upgraded the PIC code OPAL to simulate this process accurately
- Benchmarked against theory and experiment with very good agreement



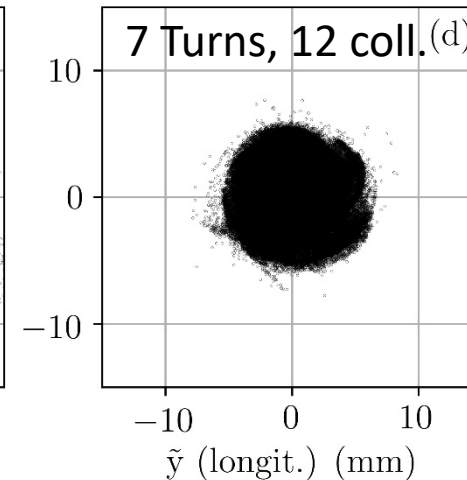
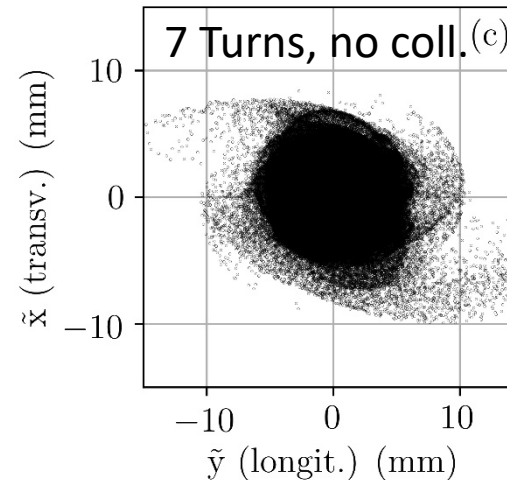
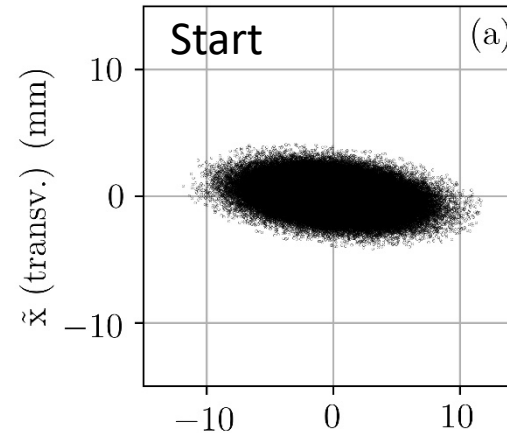
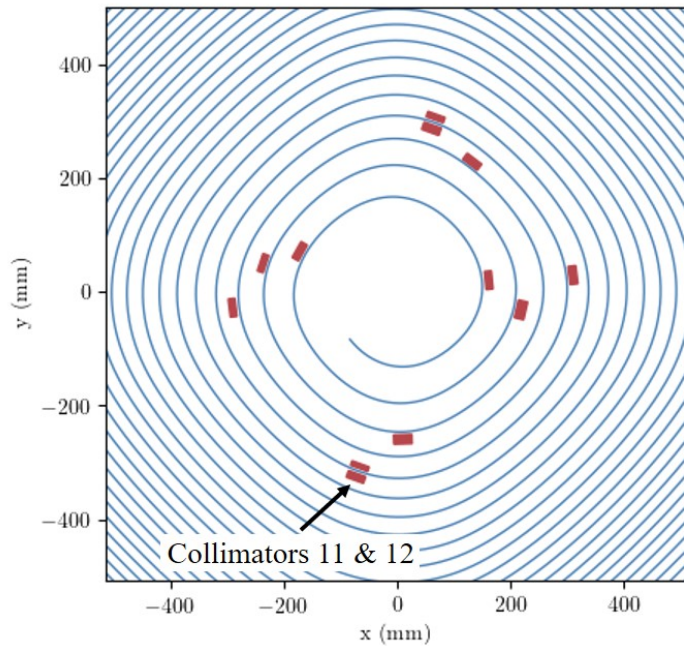
PIC
Particle-In-Cell
A method to solve
the collisionless
Vlasov equation

Vortex motion – OPAL Simulations for PSI Injector II



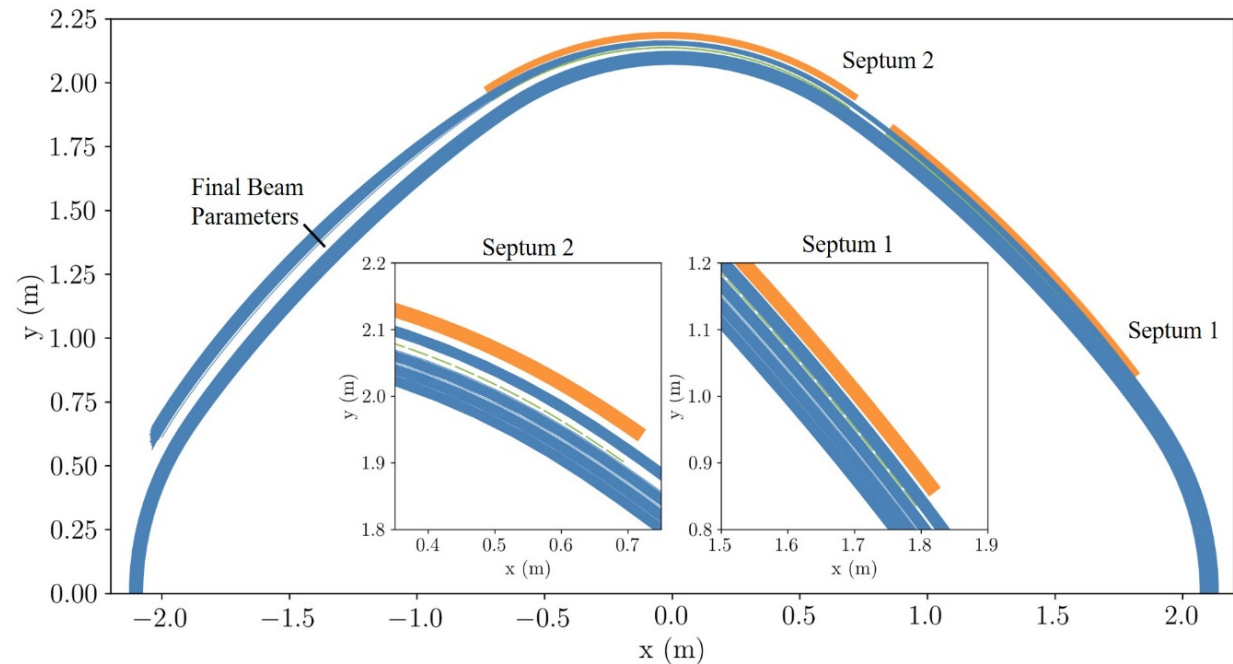
We performed highly accurate PIC simulations of our cyclotron design

- In IsoDAR the halo is removed with collimators
- Beam forms stable, round distribution (vortex) after 6 turns

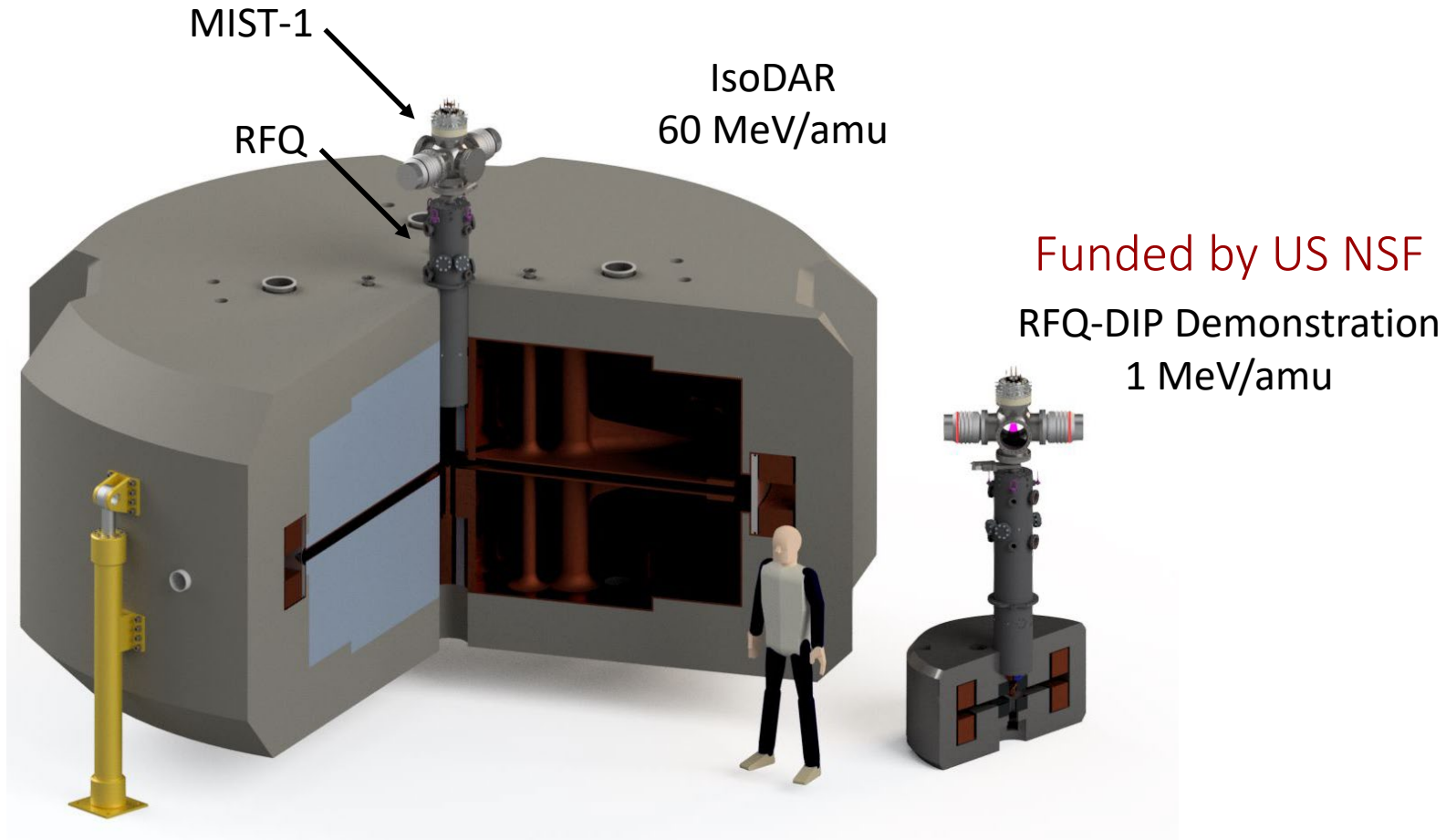
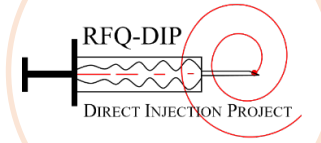


Beam can be extracted with good quality

- Minimal losses at 60 MeV/amu: < 48 Watt!
- RMS Size:
 - Vertical: 7.5 mm
 - Longitudinal: 11 mm
 - Vertical: 1.9 mm
- RMS, normalized emittance:
 - vertical: 0.44 mm-mrad
 - Radial: 3.8 mm-mrad
- Longitudinal emittance:
 - 0.1 MeV-deg

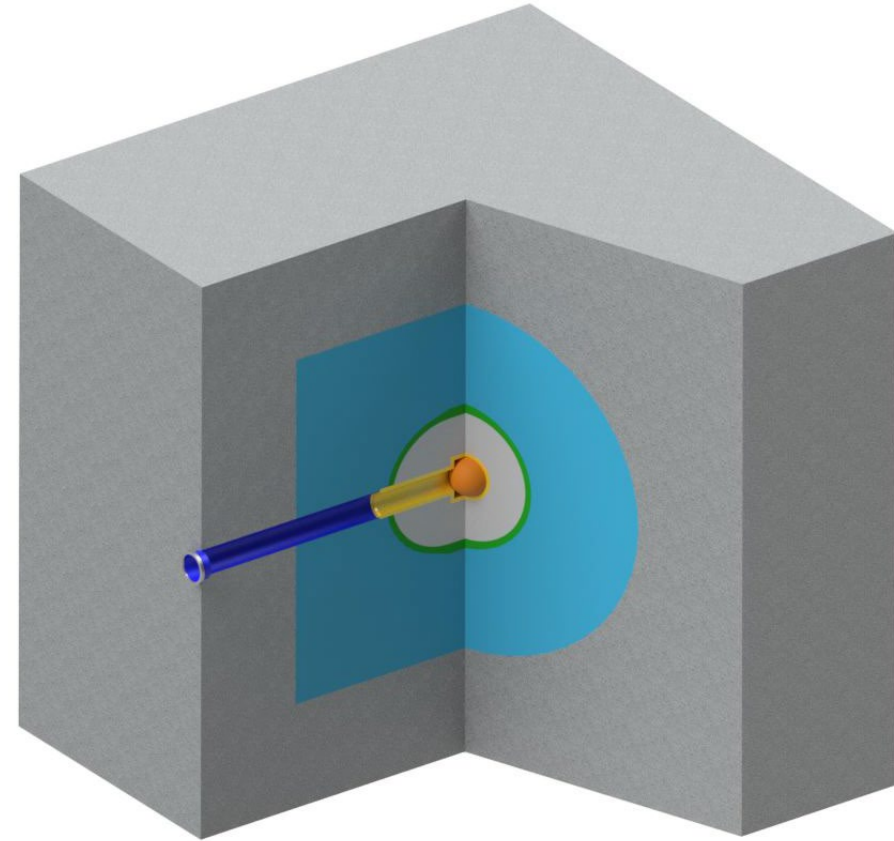


Prototype under construction: RFQ-Direct Injection (RFQ-DIP)



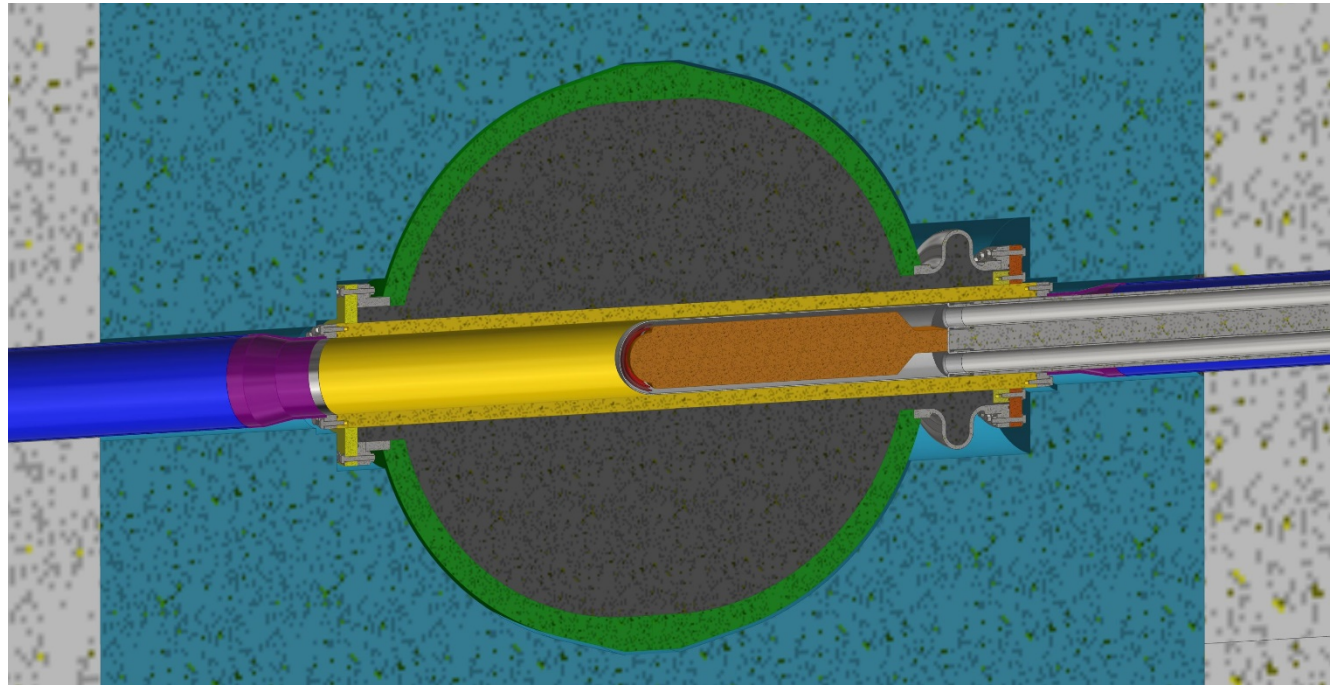
The IsoDAR high power neutrino target

- The 10 mA proton beam is spread out transversally and “painted” across the ~20 cm target.
- Neutrons are produced in the ^8Be ...
- ...and captured on ^7Li in a surrounding sleeve
- Intermixed ^8Be increases the overall yield
- The resulting ^8Li decays at rest and produces electron-antineutrinos.



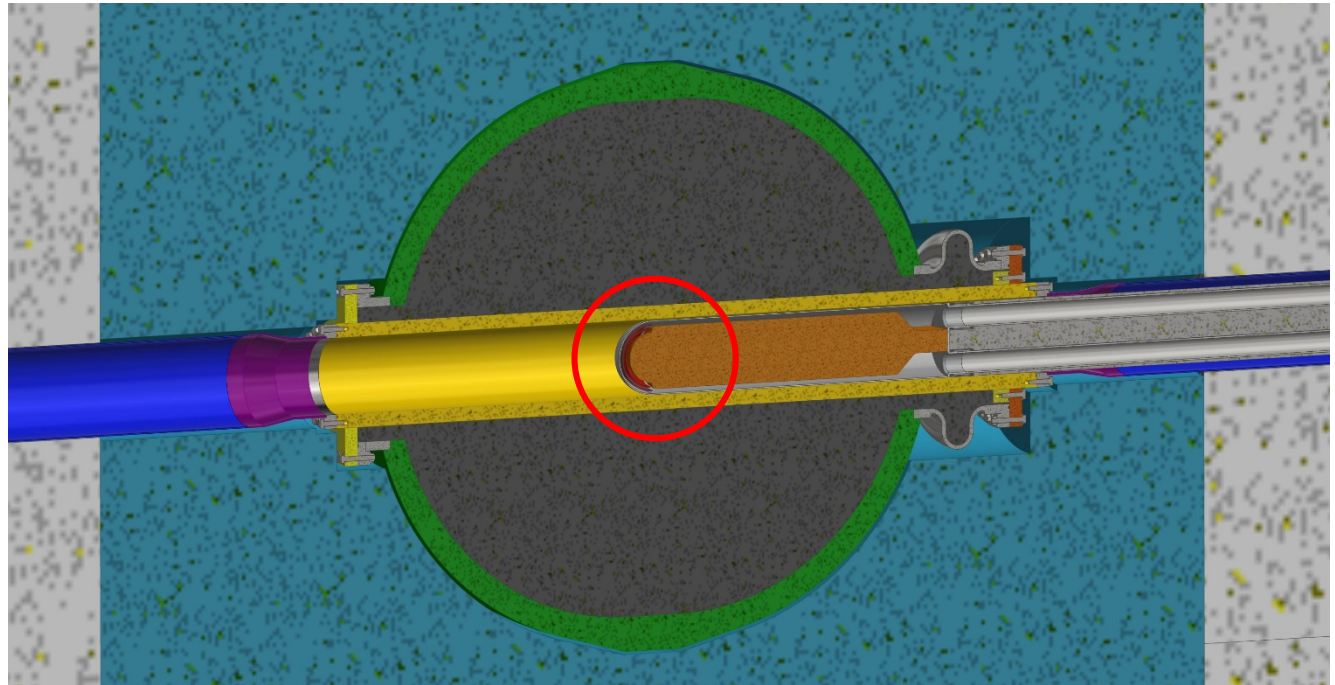
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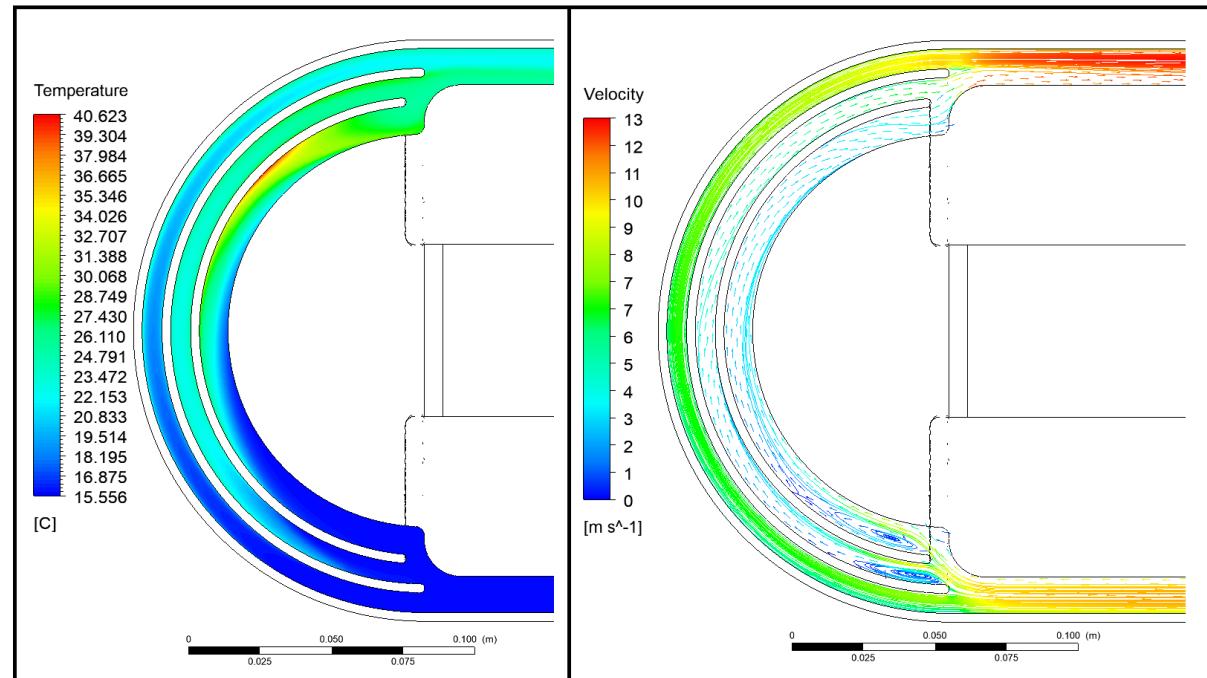
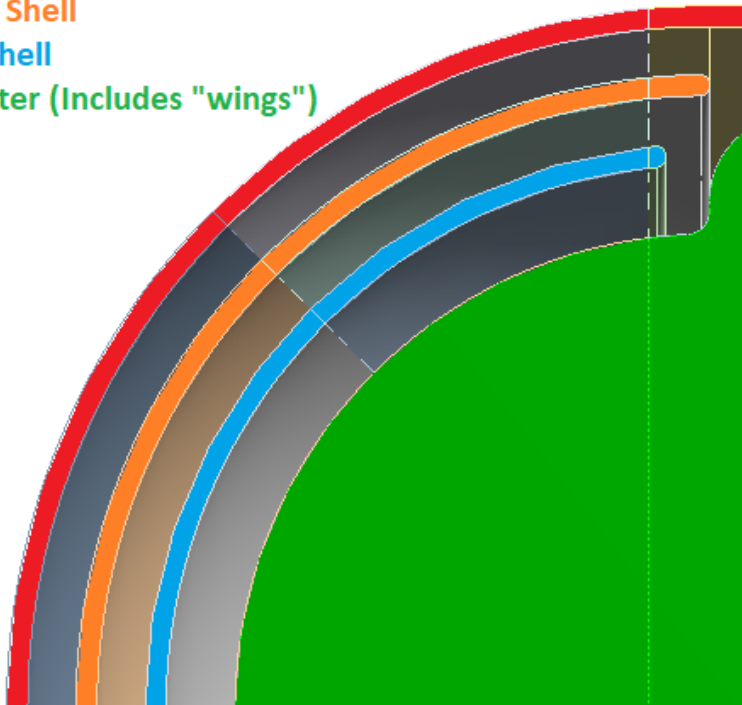
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Target cooling with heavy water

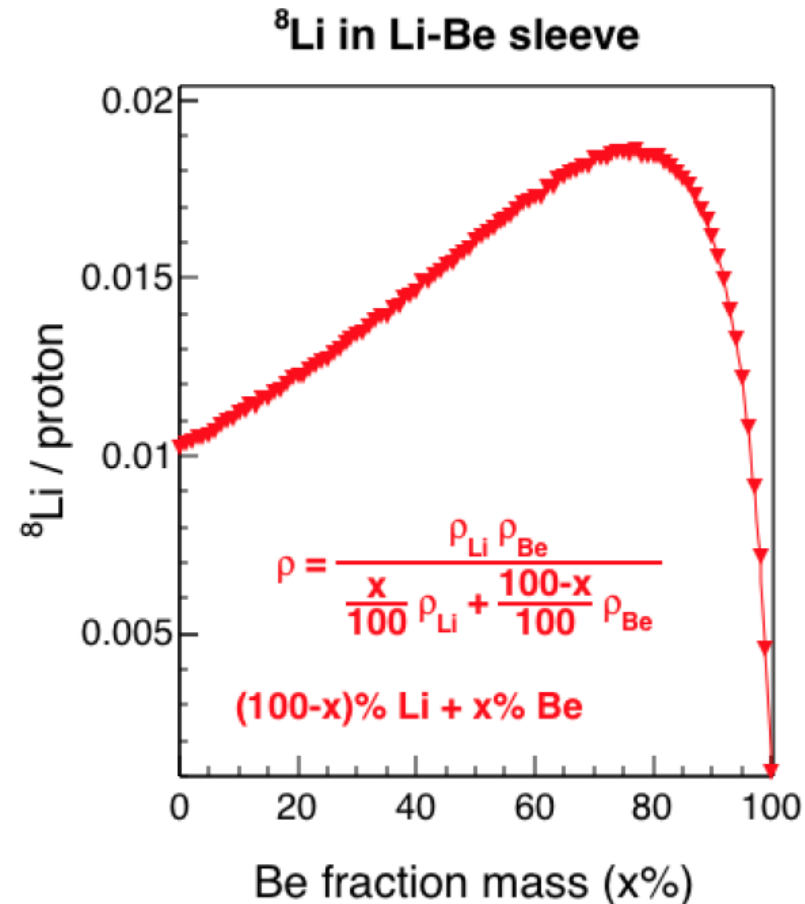
- Heavy water is pumped through a nested-shell beryllium structure
- CFD/FEA calculations show adequate cooling, stresses, and deformation

Outer Shell
Middle Shell
Inner Shell
Be Center (Includes "wings")



We have a full Geant4 model for ^8Li yield and neutron backgrounds

- ^8Li yield was carefully optimized to meet the IsoDAR requirement of $0.016 \text{ } ^8\text{Li}/\text{p}$
 - Li-Be ratio
 - Geometry of target and sleeve
- Contamination with other isotopes is very low

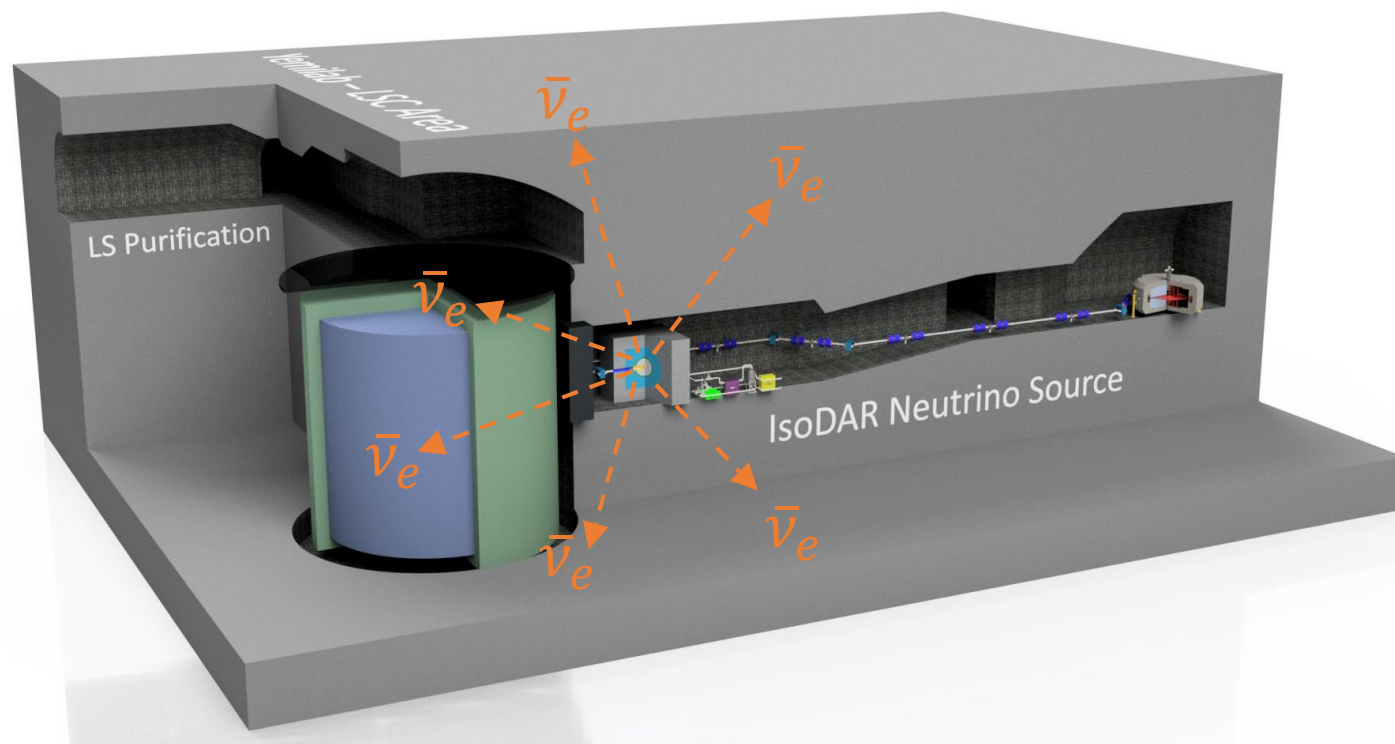


<https://arxiv.org/abs/1805.00410>

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1909.08009>

Conclusion: IsoDAR promises a rich physics program and has a mature design

- Our compact cyclotron can produce 10 mA of 60 MeV protons
- Target can handle 600 kW
- Demonstrated this through:
 - Experiments
 - PIC Simulations
 - CFD/FEA calculations
- Prototypes (funded):
 - Ion source (built)
 - Test cyclotron with RFQ injection
 - Pressure vessel for Li/Be mixture



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