

# ***BEAM PHYSICS IN THE RIA ACCELERATORS***

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## Outline

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- **RIA Facility**
  - Layout
  - Technical features
  - Production of secondary beams
- **Driver linac**
  - **General design philosophy;**
  - **Acceleration of multiple-charge state beam;**
  - **Front end**
    - *ECR*
    - *2q-LEBT*
    - *RFQ*
  - **Isopath transport of multi-q beams;**
  - **Stripping of heavy ions;**
  - **Beam loss studies, concept of “beam-halo cleaning”;**
  - **Tunes for different ions;**
- **Beam Dynamics code TRACK;**
- **Post-Accelerator.**



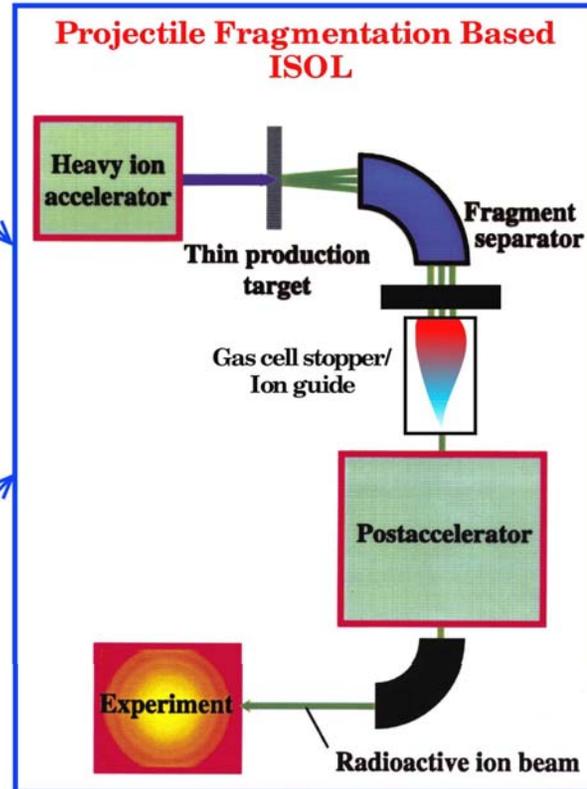
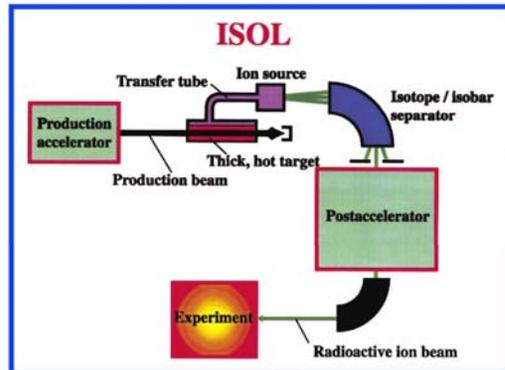
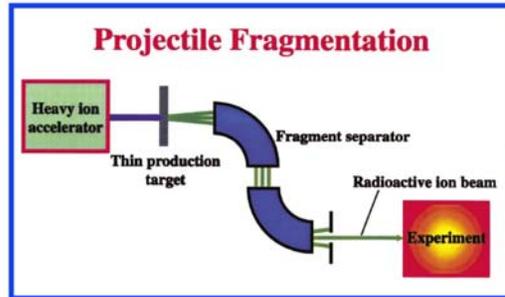
# Important Technical Features of RIA

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- High power CW SC Linac Driver (1.4 GV, 400 kW)
  - Advanced ECR Ion Source
  - Accelerate 2 charge states of U from ECR
  - All beams: protons-uranium
  - Superconducting linac over extended energy range: 0.25 – 1020 MeV/u
  - Multiple-charge-state acceleration after strippers
  - Multi-user facility: RF switching to multiple targets with independent beam intensity adjustment by means of fast chopper
- Large acceptance fragment separators
  - 1) “Range Bunching” + Fast gas catcher
  - 2) High resolution and high purity for in-flight
- High power density ISOL and fragmentation targets
  - Liquid lithium as target for fragmentation and cooling for n-generator
- Efficient post-acceleration from 1+ ion sources
- Next-generation instrumentation for research with rare isotopes

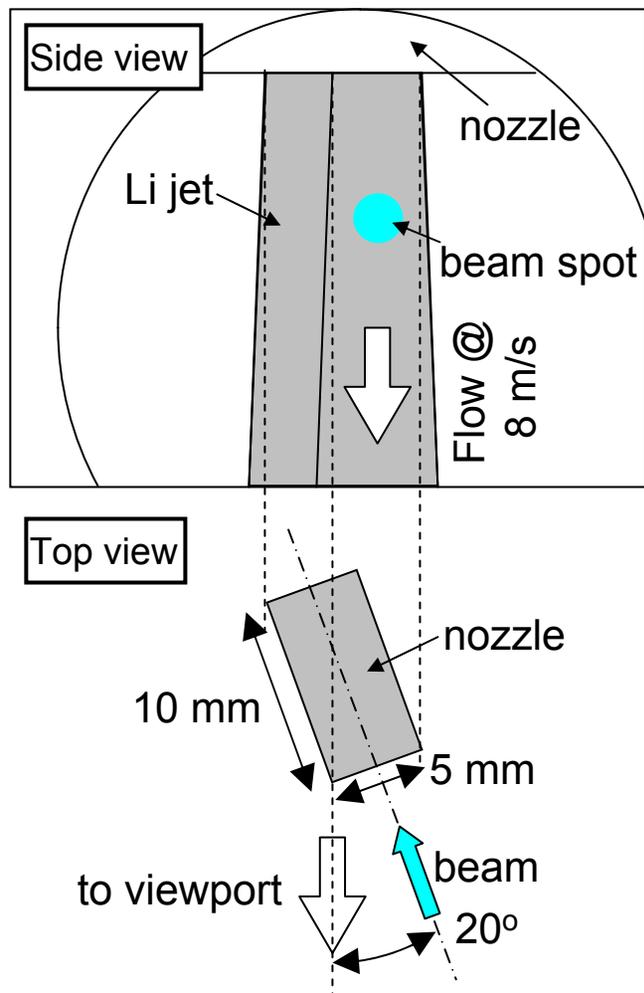
# The Key Elements of the **RIA** Concept

- Fast Extraction Times ( $\sim$ msec)
- Chemical independence
- Isobar separation



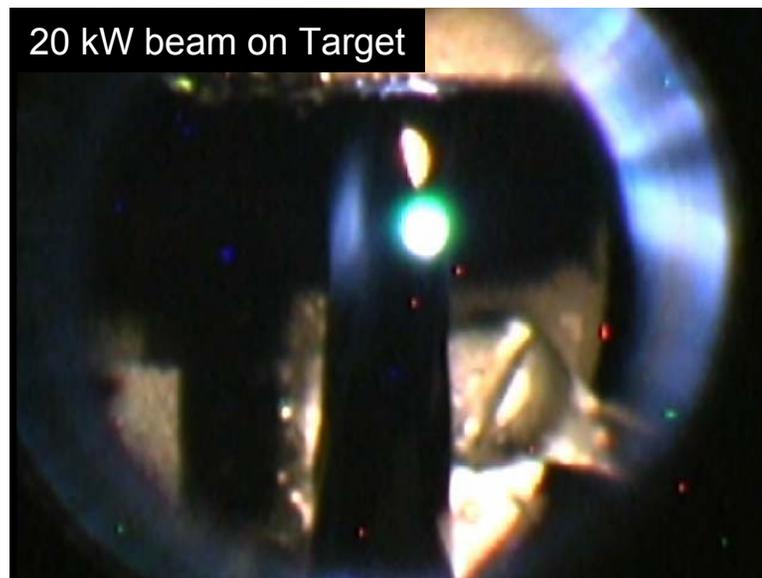
- Fast Gas Catcher to combine advantages of fragmentation and stopped beams
- Superconducting driver linac and post-accelerator for all ions from hydrogen to uranium.
- Acceleration of ions in multiple charge states to increase performance (x 25).
- Realizable designs for efficient high power ( $>100$  kW) targets.
- Efficient reacceleration of 1+ charge states.

# High Power Test of the Windowless Liquid Lithium Target

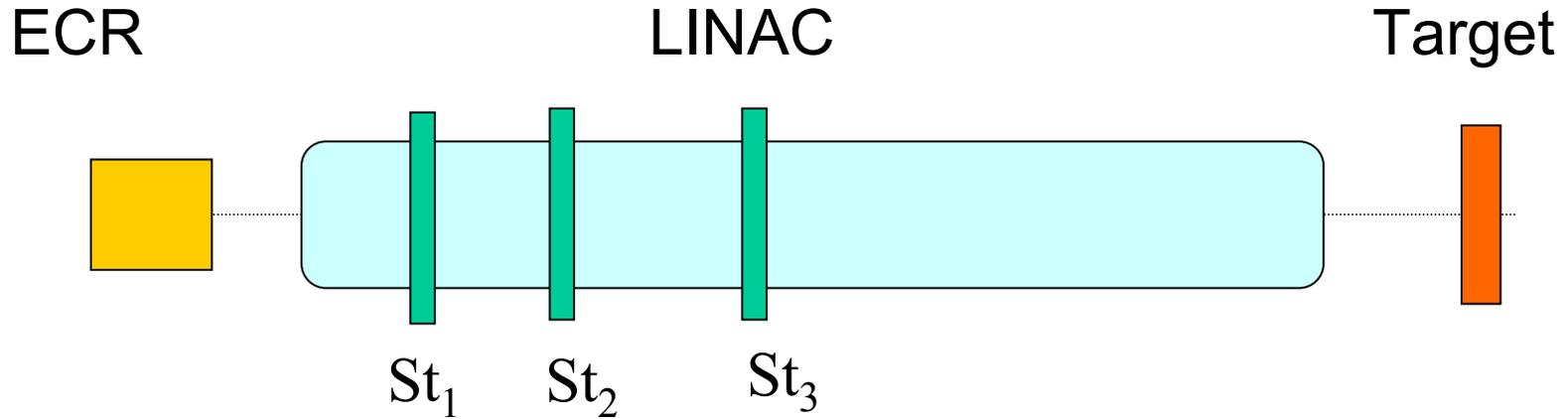


A 20 kW electron beam produces the same thermal load as a 200 kW U beam on the windowless liquid Li target.

*Li jet is confirmed stable in vacuum with a U beam equivalent thermal load.*



# Heavy-Ion Linac



$$\Delta W_n = \frac{q}{A} e V_{eff} \cos \varphi_s$$

<b>Particles</b>	<b>Uranium</b>
<b>Energy/nucleon</b>	<b>400 MeV/u</b>
<b>Total kinetic energy</b>	<b>95.2 GeV</b>
<b>Power</b>	<b>400 kW</b>
<b>Velocity</b>	<b>0.005c-0.715c</b>

$$V = \frac{A}{q_1 e \cos \varphi_s} \Delta W_{n,1} + \frac{A}{q_2 e \cos \varphi_s} \Delta W_{n,2} + \frac{A}{q_3 e \cos \varphi_s} \Delta W_{n,3} + \frac{A}{q_4 e \cos \varphi_s} \Delta W_{n,4}$$

# How many strippers?

Bunching efficiency = 80%      $\varphi_s = -30^\circ$ ,

q	V, MV	Efficiency (%)	St.	I <sub>ECR</sub> (pμA)
29	3790	100	no	5.25
29-82	1677=458+1219	25	1	21
<b>29-71-89</b>	<b>1352=379+973</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>83</b>
29-59-81-89	1292=319+973	1.33	3	395

## Multi-q beam acceleration

St.	From ECR	After St <sub>1</sub>	After St <sub>2</sub>	After St <sub>3</sub>	Efficiency (%)	I <sub>ECR</sub> (pμA)
<b>2</b>	<b>28-29</b>	<b>69-73</b>	<b>88-91</b>	-	<b>147</b>	<b>3.6</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>28-29</b>	<b>58-61</b>	<b>79-83</b>	<b>88-91</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>5.4</b>

# Acceleration of multi-q heavy-ion beams

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$$\Delta W_{s,u} = \frac{q}{A} e E_0 T L_c \cos \varphi_s$$

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Fixed velocity profile  
(RFQ, RT DTL)

$$\frac{q}{A} E_0 = \text{const}, \quad E_0 = \frac{\text{const}}{q/A}$$

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Variable velocity profile  
(SC Linac)

$$E_0 = \text{const},$$

*Tune phases of individual cavities*

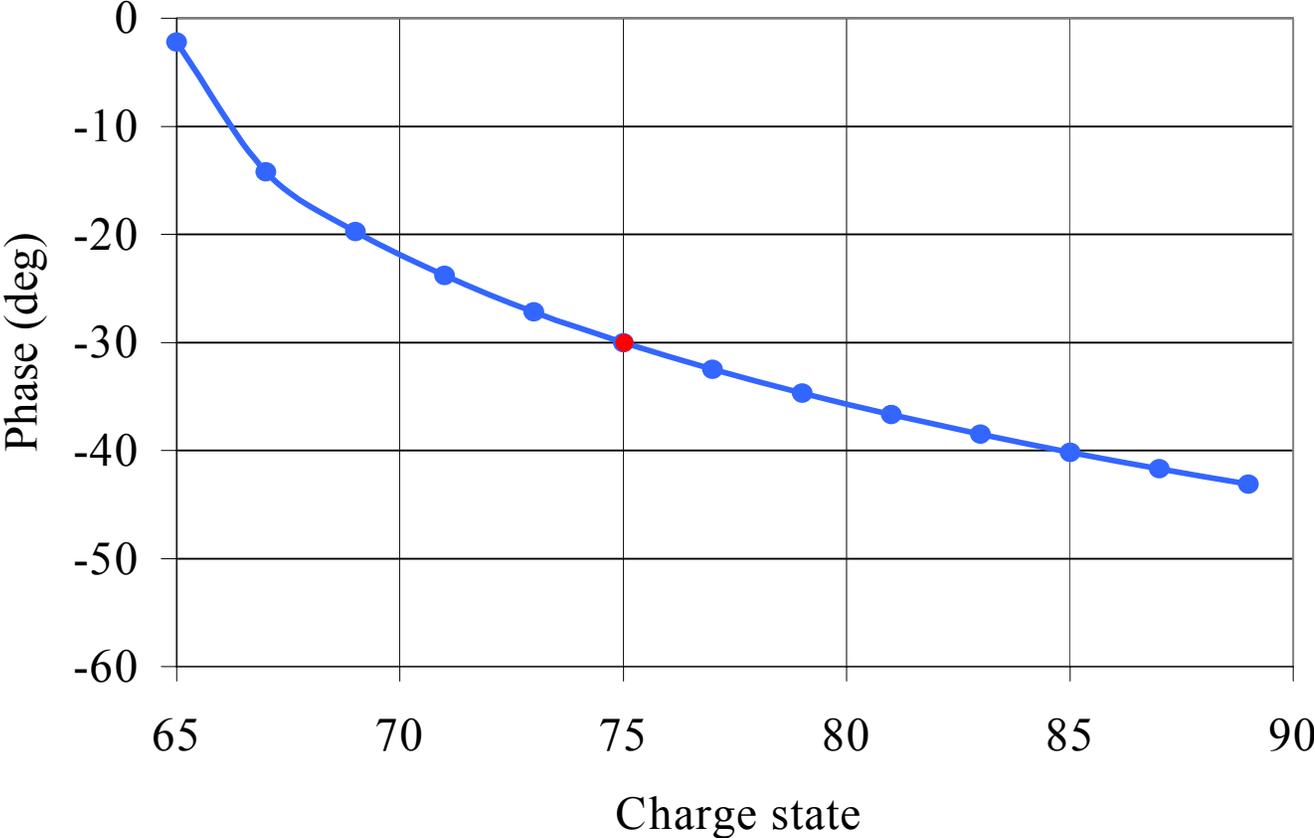
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Multi-q heavy-ion beam  
acceleration

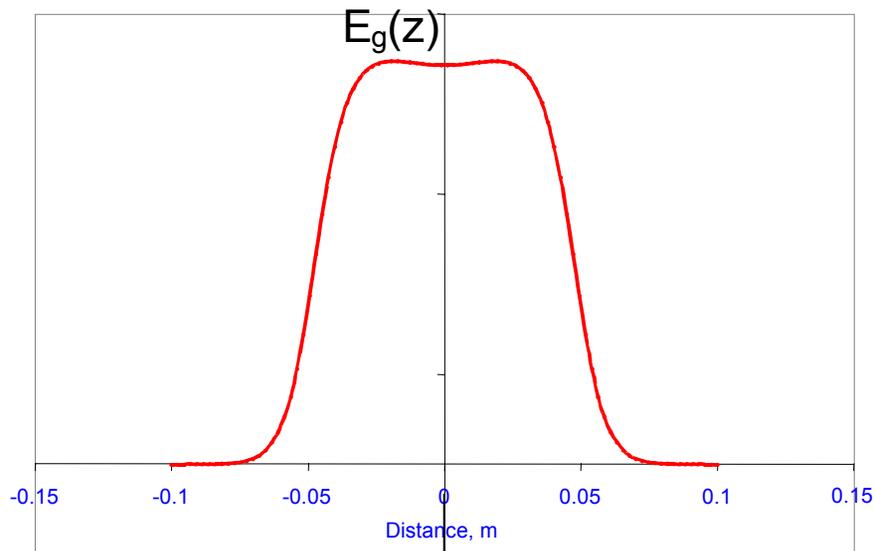
$$\frac{q_n}{A} E_0 \cos \varphi_{sn} = \text{const}, \quad \cos \varphi_{sn, q_n} = \frac{\text{const}}{\frac{q_n}{A} E_0}$$

$$\frac{q_n}{A} \cos \varphi_{sn} = \frac{q_0}{A} \cos \varphi_{s,0}$$

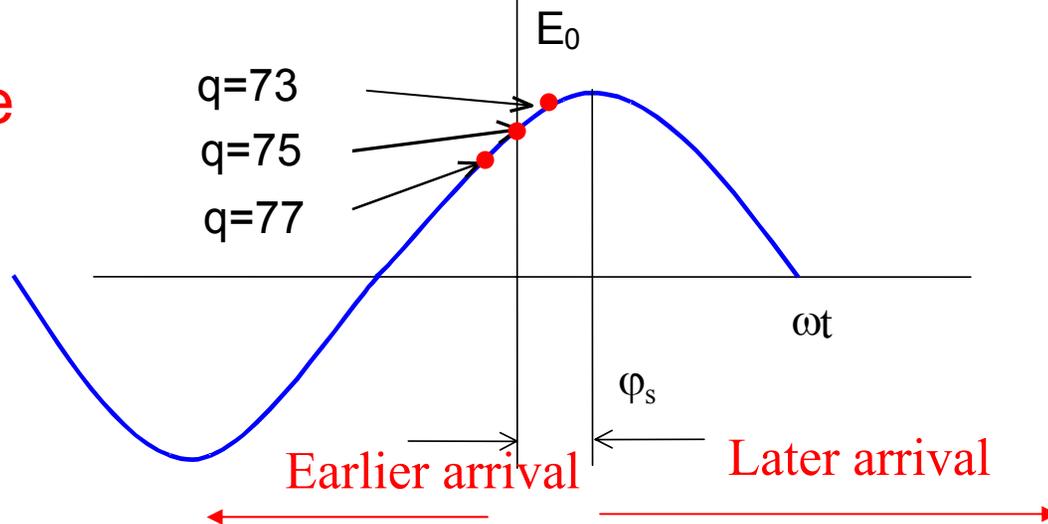
Synchronous phase as a function of uranium ion charge state. The designed synchronous phase is  $-30^\circ$  for  $q_0=75$ .



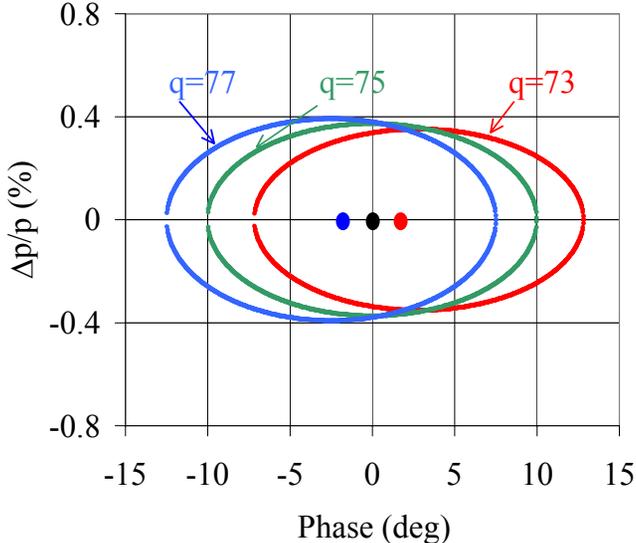
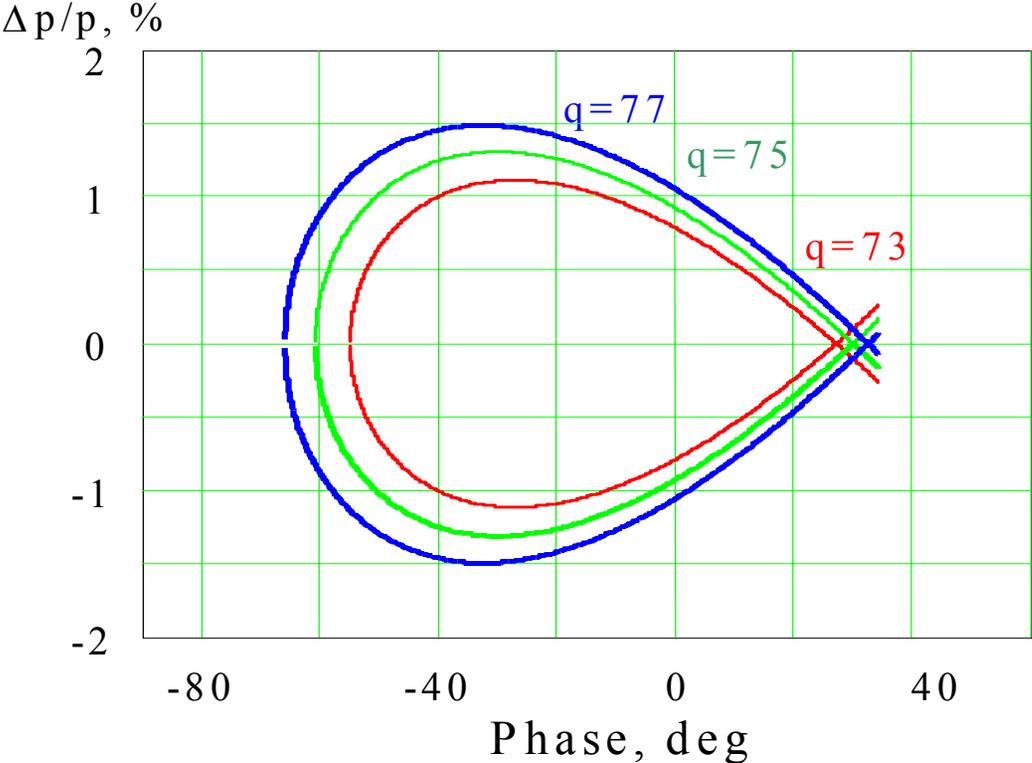
Single accelerating gap



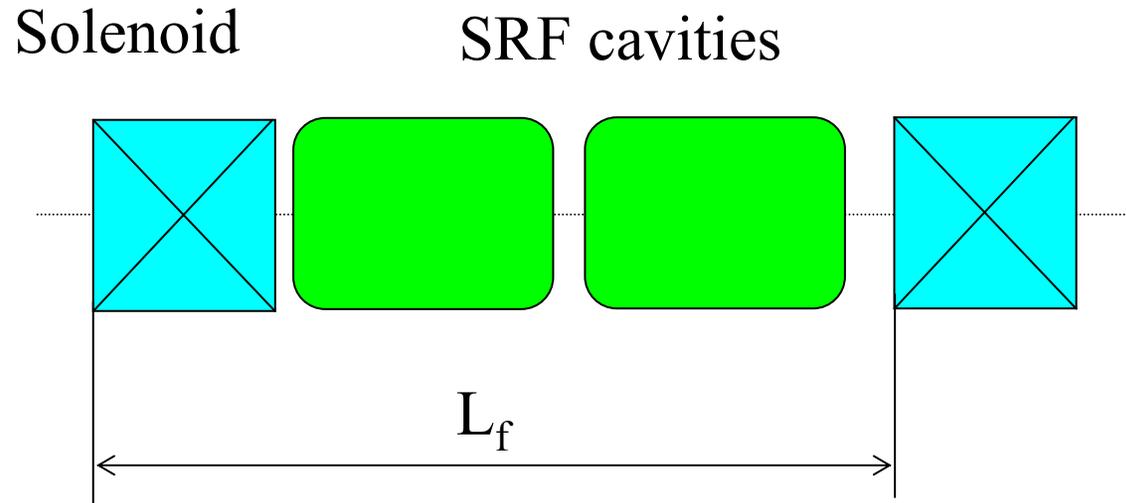
Synchronous phase of multi-q beam



# Separatrix and small longitudinal oscillations



# Transverse beam dynamics



$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \mu_x + \alpha_x \sin \mu_x & \beta_x \sin \mu_x \\ -\gamma_x \sin \mu_x & \cos \mu_x - \alpha_x \sin \mu_x \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\gamma_x x^2 + 2\alpha_x x x' + \beta_x x'^2 = \varepsilon_x$$

# Transverse beam dynamics

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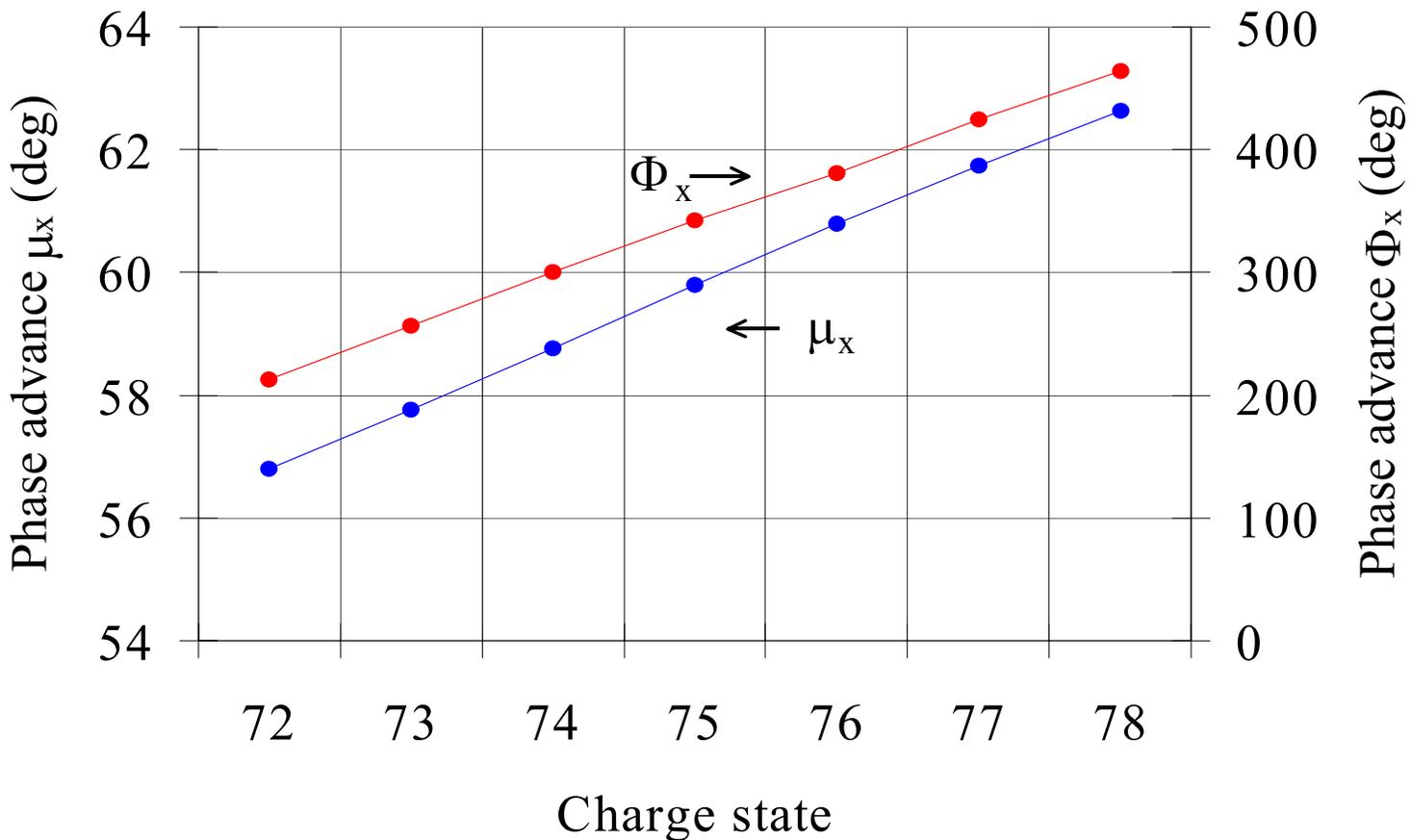
## Twiss parameters

q	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$
73	0.428	1.536	0.770
74	0.435	1.518	0.783
75	0.441	1.500	0.783
76	0.448	1.483	0.809
77	0.455	1.467	0.823

## Effective emittance growth

$$K_{\varepsilon} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} R + \sqrt{R^2 - 4}} = 1.065$$

# Phase advance over the period $\mu_x$ and total phase advance $\Phi_x$ (modulo $360^\circ$ ) in the medium-beta section (12 MeV/u – 85 MeV/u)



# *TRACK code (developed at ANL):*

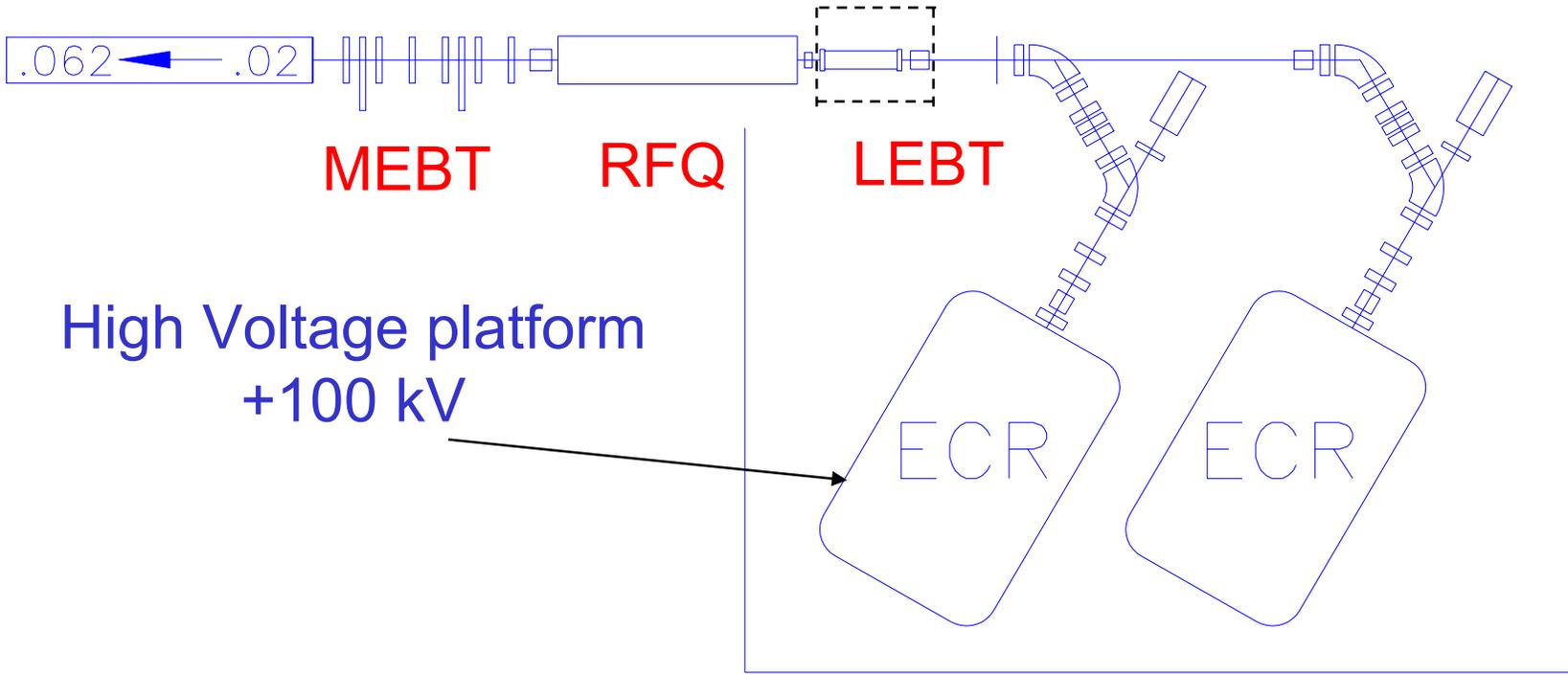
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- Lattice optimization and high-statistic end-to-end simulations.
- Integration of particle trajectories of multi-component ion beams in 6D phase space including space charge.
- Electrostatic, magnetostatic and electromagnetic fields of all RIA elements are obtained from 3-dimensional external codes.
- Misalignments and random errors are included. Automatic beam steering procedure in both longitudinal and transverse phase space is applied in the linac with static errors.
- Optimization of linac tunes for different ions, off-normal tunes to compensate missing resonator.
- Beam passage through stripping foils&films is included. SRIM data of particle distribution in 6D phase space is incorporated.
- Parallel computing on multiprocessor computer cluster JAZZ at ANL. Simulation of total  $10^7$  particles in 15 hours is demonstrated.
- Compared with many beam optics code for common elements (TRANSPORT, COSY, RAYTRACE, IMPACT...).
- More updates are coming: parallelization at 10K processors
- Concept of “Model-driven accelerator”:

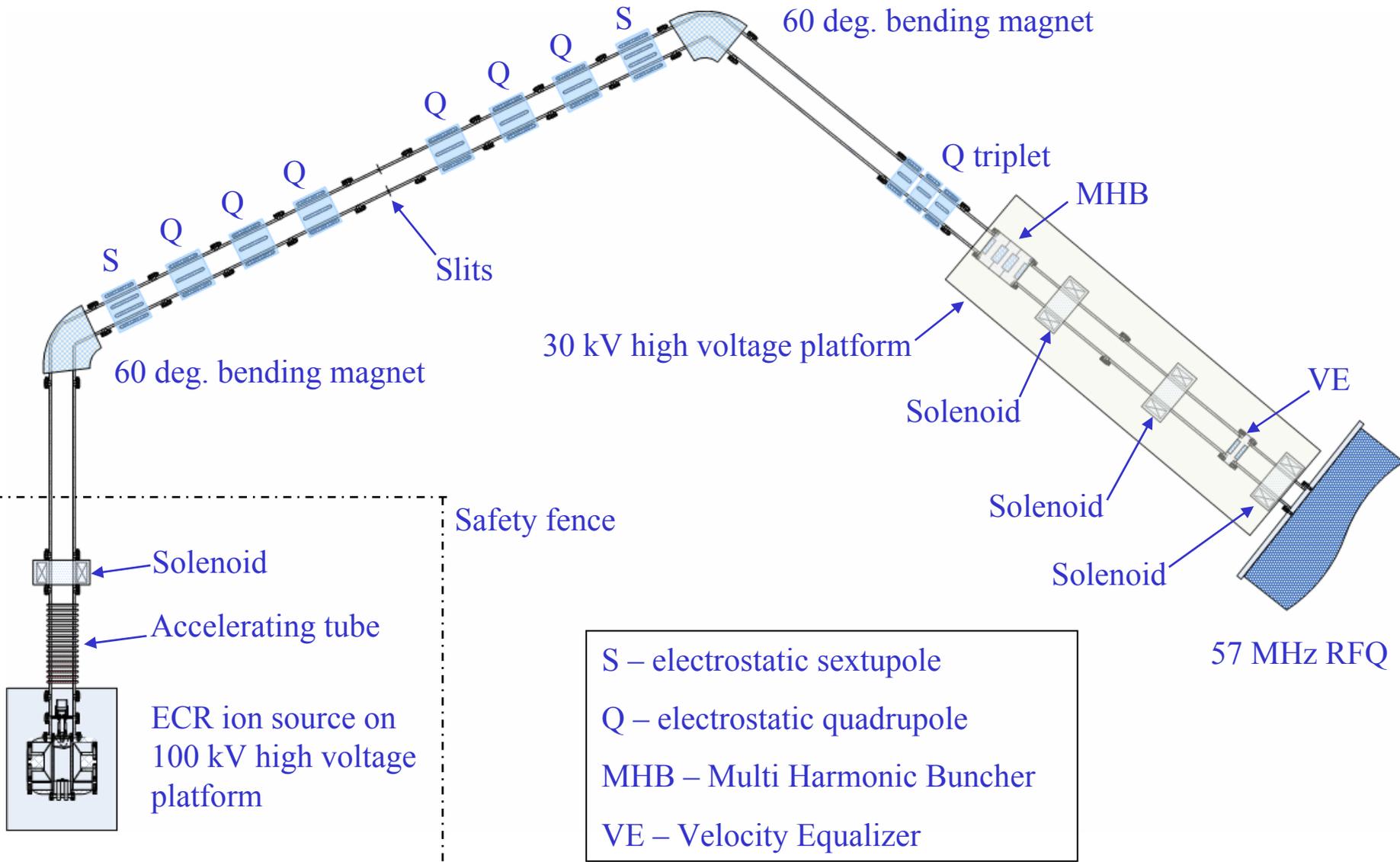
# Layout of the RIA injector

RFQ

$$W_{out} = 254 \text{ keV/u} \quad W_{in} = 14.5 \text{ keV/u}$$

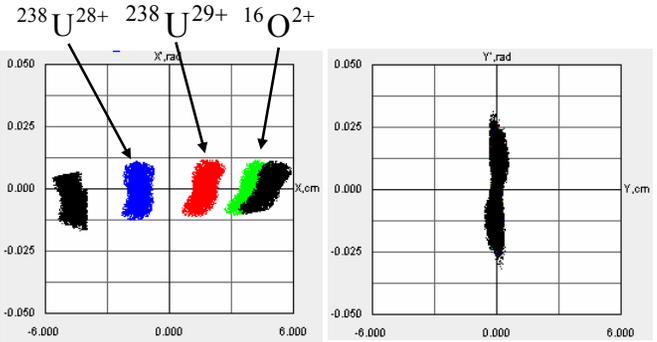


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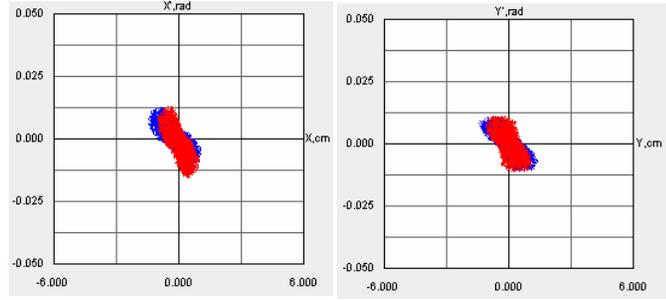


# Achromatic bending system

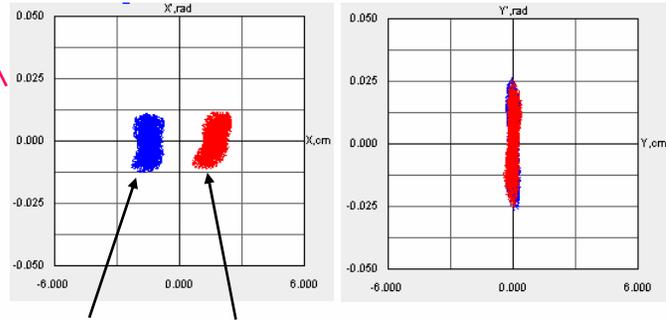
Before the collimating slit



Exit of the achromatic system



After the collimating slit



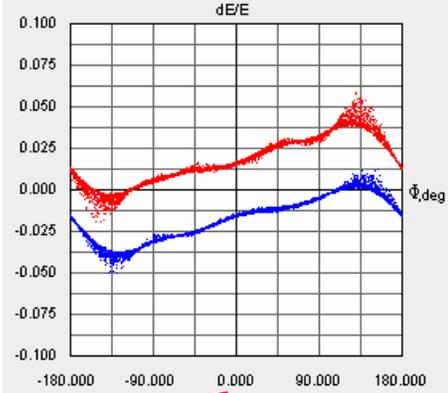
238U<sup>28+</sup>

238U<sup>29+</sup>

# Multi Harmonic Buncher

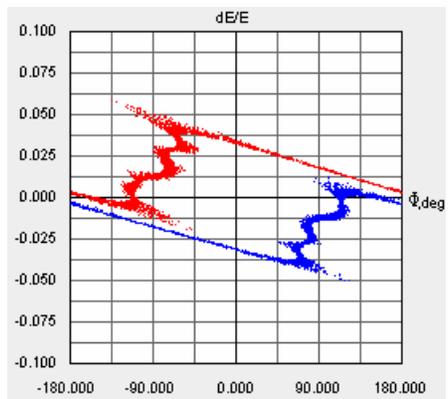
CW beam

After the MHB



- Multi Harmonic Buncher:
- 1<sup>st</sup> harmonic 28.75 MHz
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonic 57.5 MHz
  - 3<sup>d</sup> harmonic 86.25 MHz
  - 4<sup>th</sup> harmonic 115 MHz

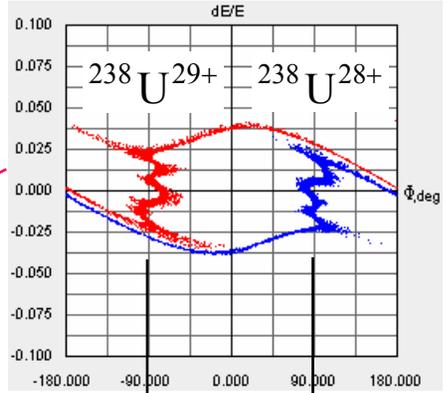
Before the VE



30 kV high voltage deck

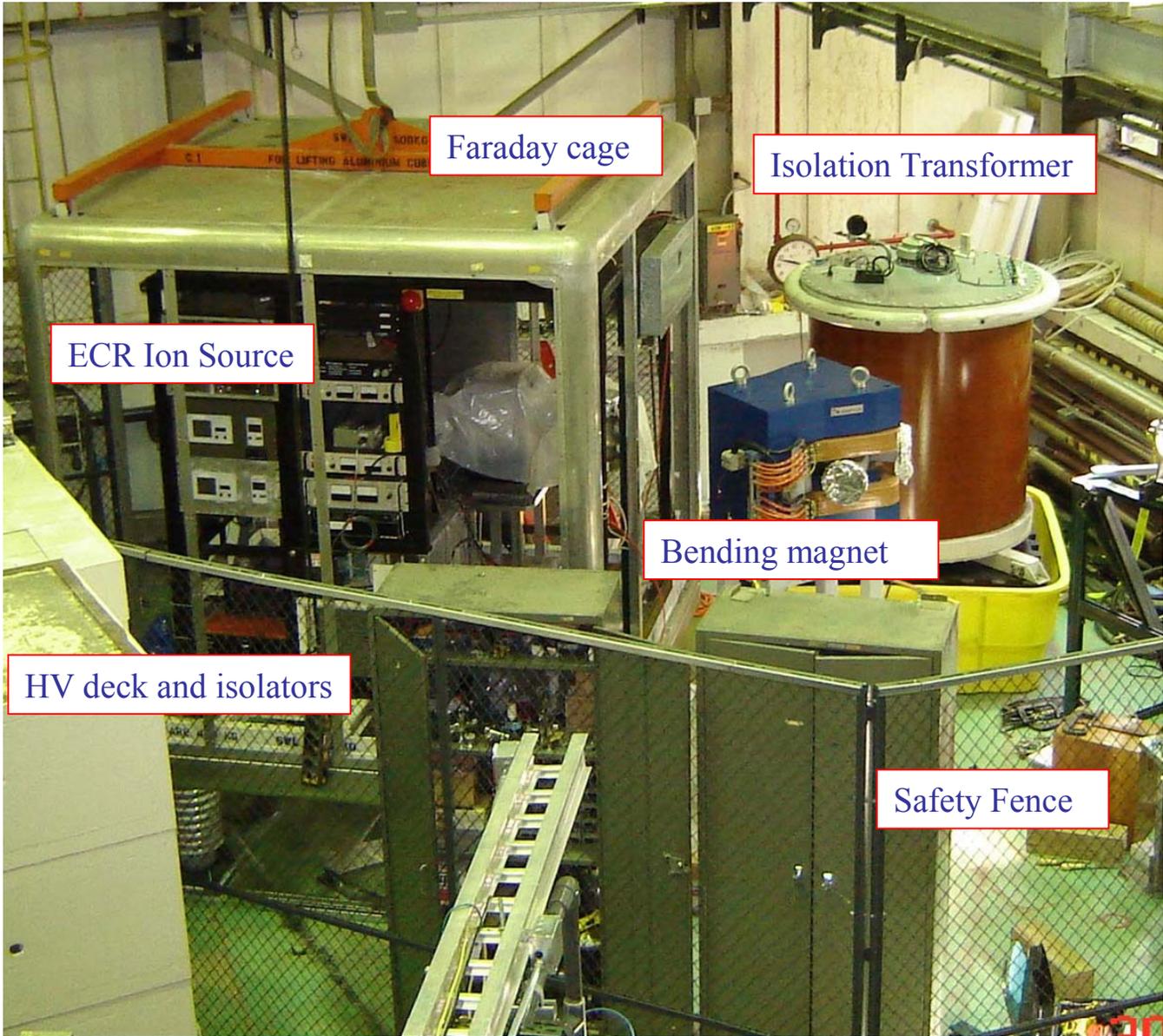
57.5 MHz RFQ

Entrance of the RFQ

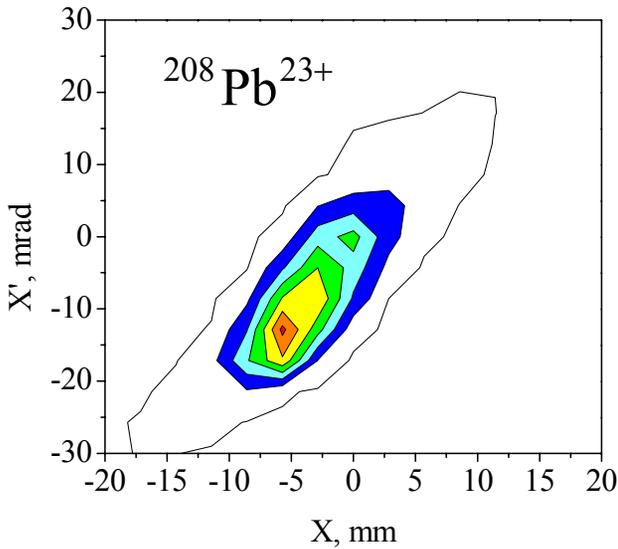
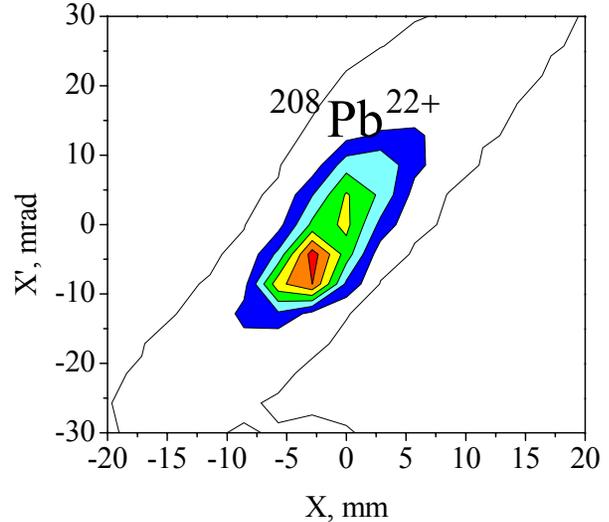
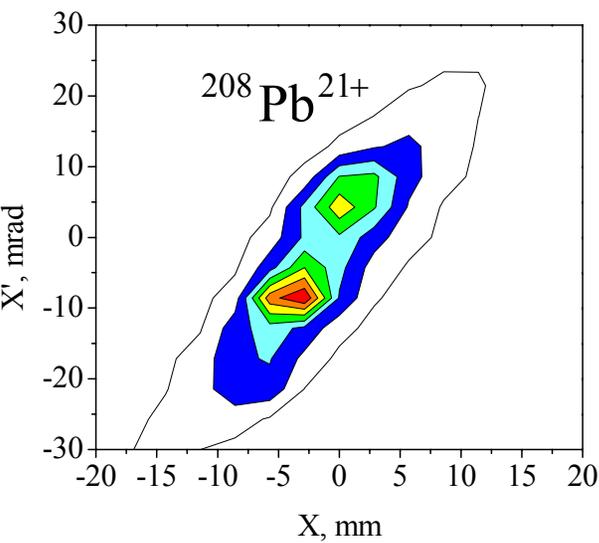


360° at 57.5 MHz

# ECR+LEBT (prototype)



# Emittance measurements: Lead beam



Charge State	Intensity, emA	Normalized RMS emittance, $\mu$ mm mrad	RMS a	RMS b, mm/mrad
<b>21</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0.053</b>	<b>-2.6</b>	<b>2.39</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>0.05</b>	<b>-2.31</b>	<b>1.55</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0.049</b>	<b>-2.24</b>	<b>1.65</b>

# Radio Frequency Quadrupole Accelerator

$f=57.5$  MHz

$P=48$  kW

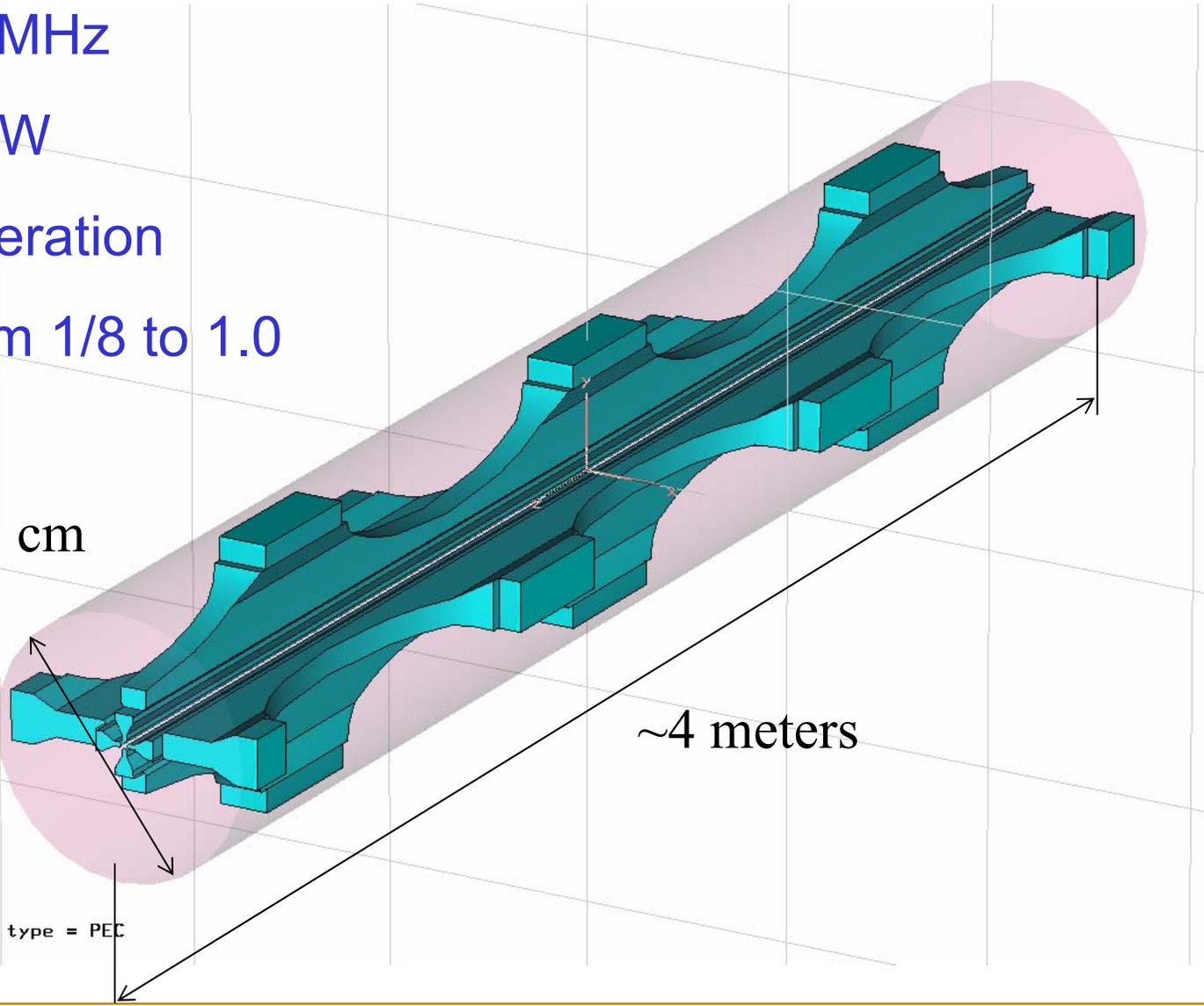
CW operation

$q/A$  from  $1/8$  to  $1.0$

$\phi$  49.5 cm

$\sim 4$  meters

Layer type = PEC



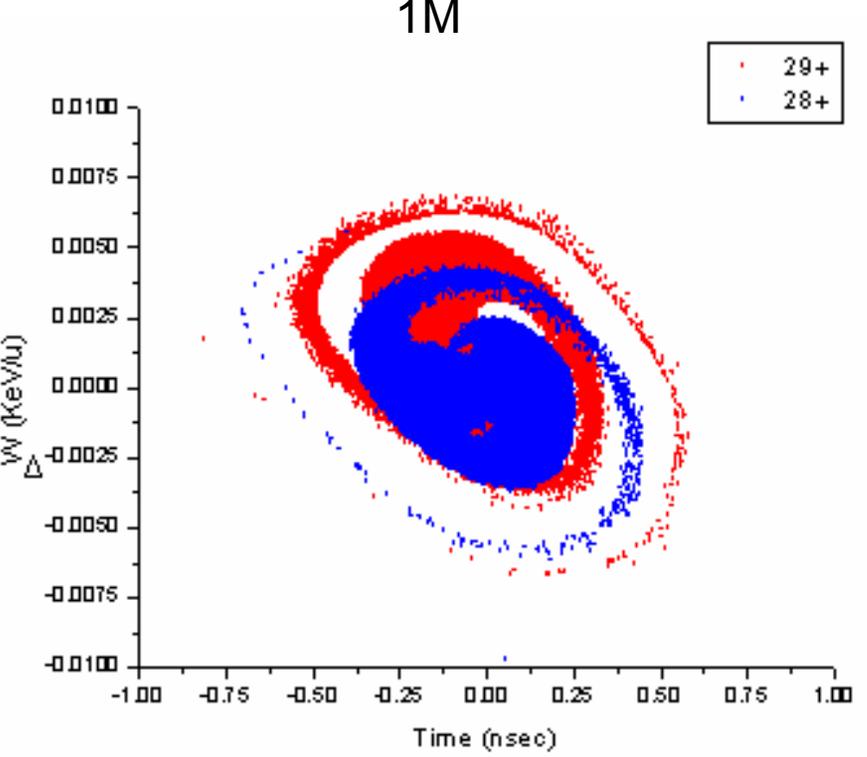
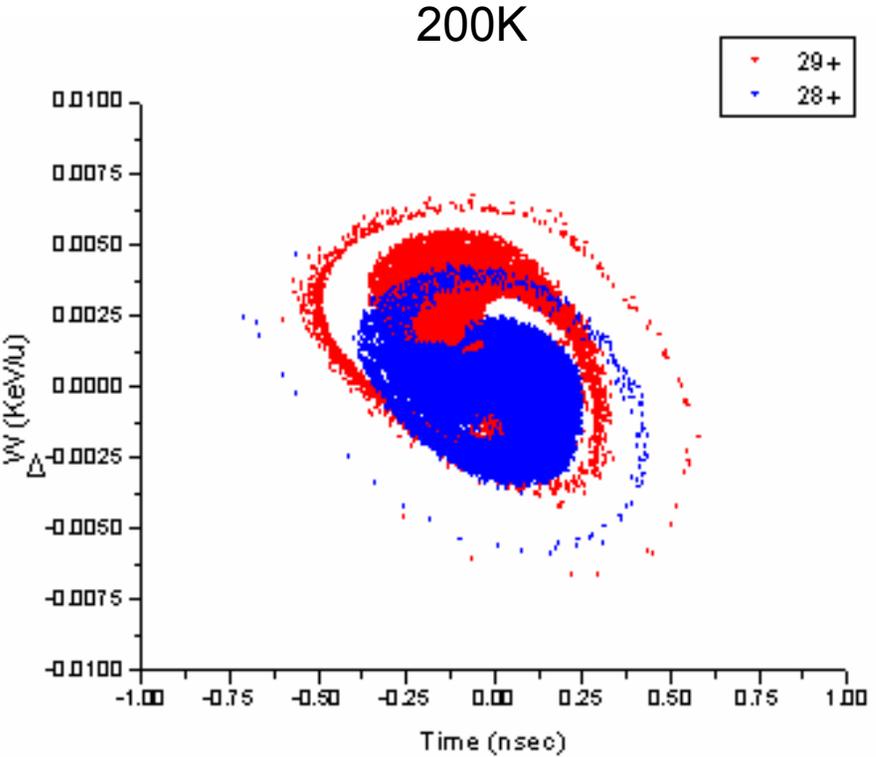
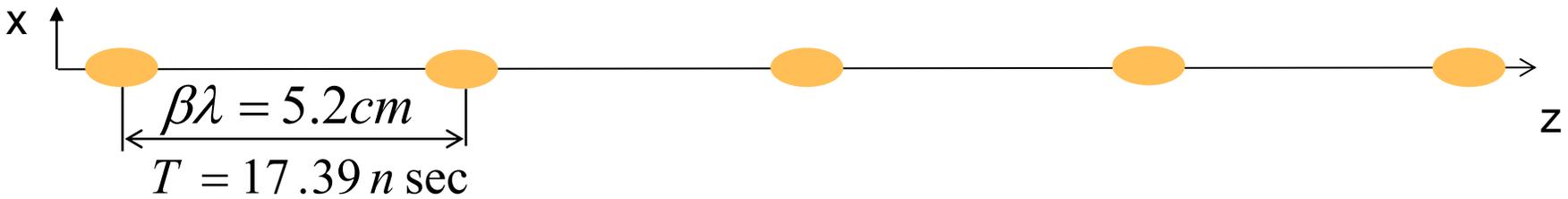
# RFQ resonant structure

One segment of the  
RFQ resonator



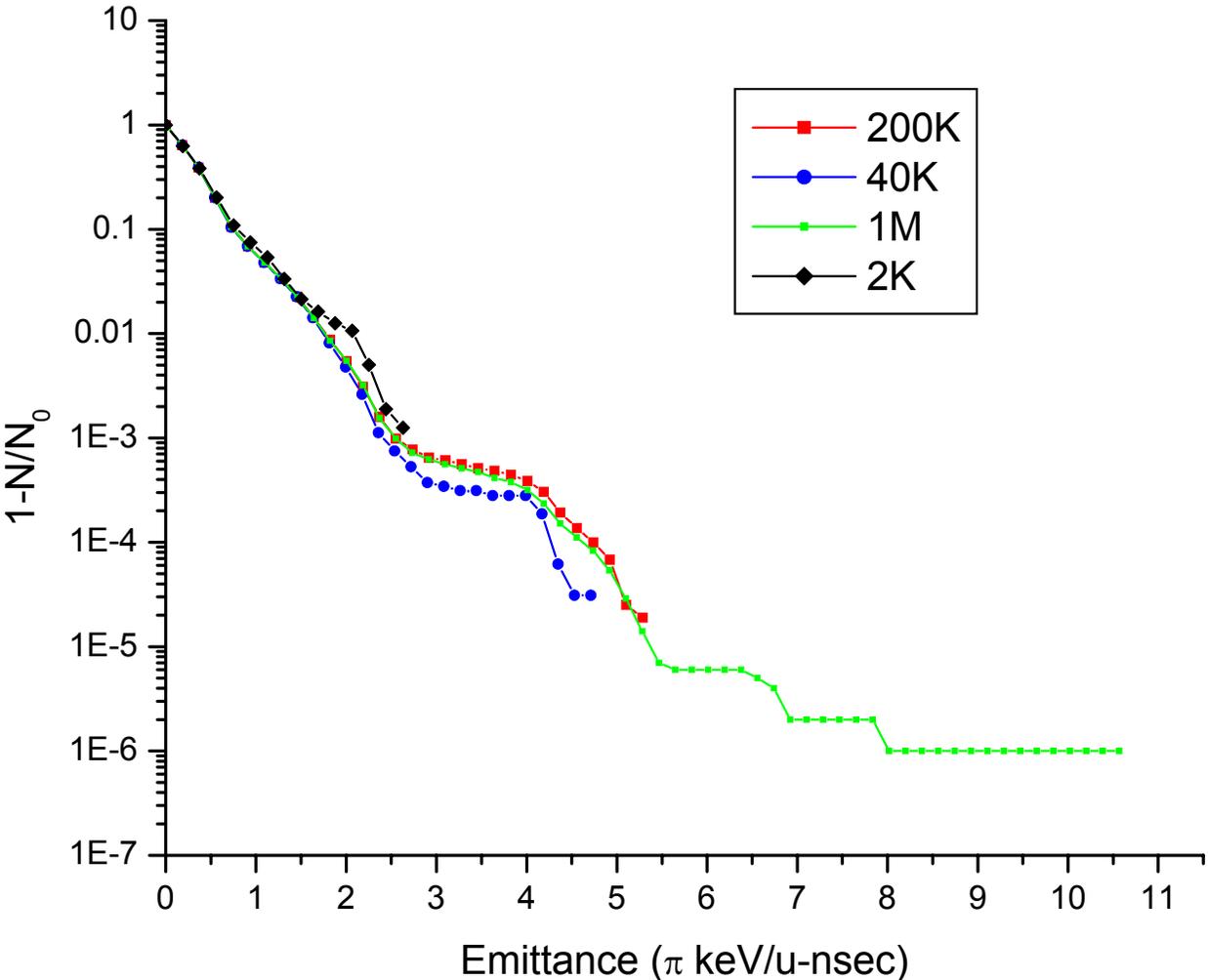
20 kW 57.5 MHz, CW

# Longitudinal emittance at the entrance of the SC linac

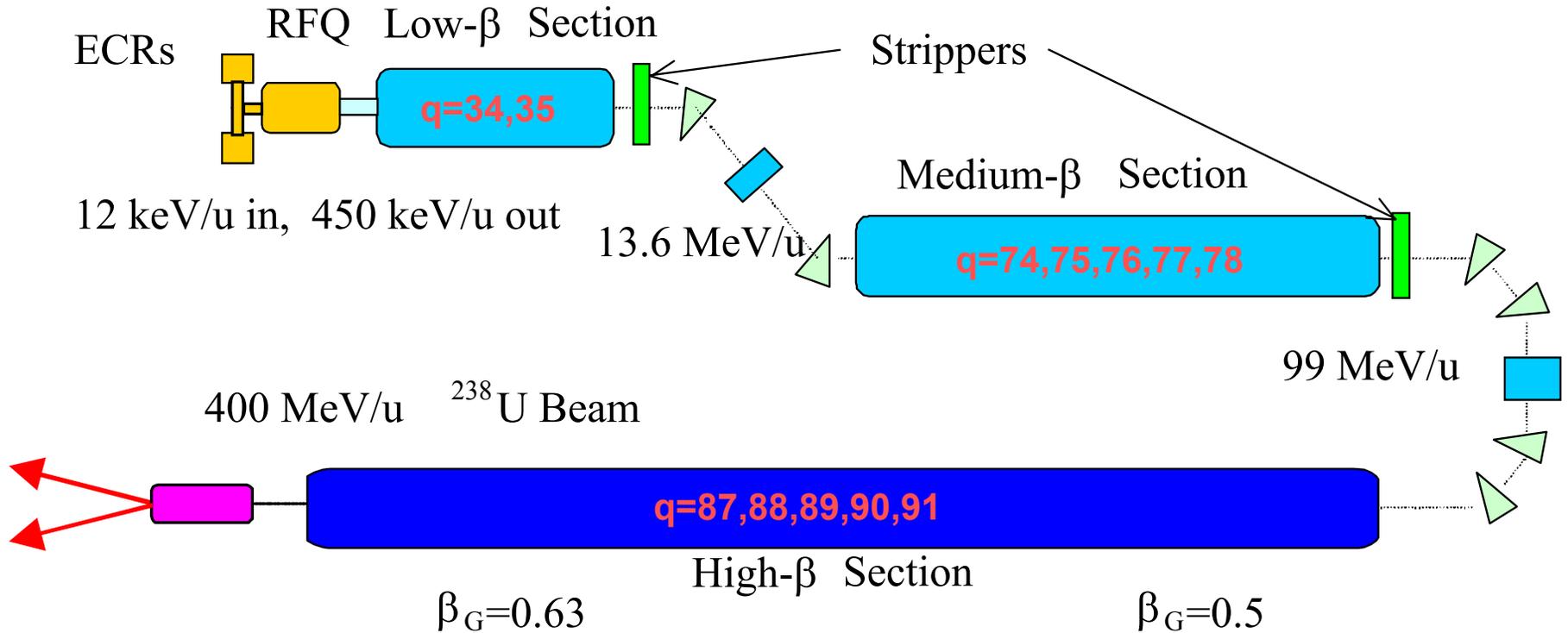


# Intensity distribution in the longitudinal phase space

## Beam halo studies



# RIA Driver Linac Structure With Multiple Charge State Capability



## *RIA driver – Some Beam Parameters*

Species	Input Q	Strip	Energy MeV/A	Output Power (kW)	
				multi-Q	single-Q
H	1	none	1020	400	400
<sup>3</sup> He	2	none	733	400	400
D	1	none	591	400	400
<sup>40</sup> Ar	8	once	531	400	400
<sup>136</sup> Xe	18	twice	451	400	160
<sup>238</sup> U	28-29	twice	402	102	6

Assumes 400 kW RF power and present-day ion source limits

**With expected advances in source performance, 400 kW of all beams.**

# RIA Driver Linac Nb SC Cavity Array (total 302 cavities)

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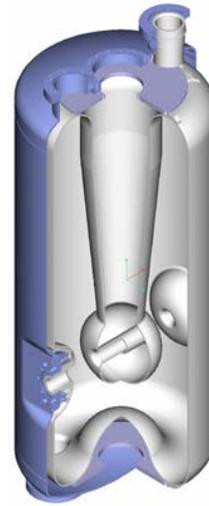


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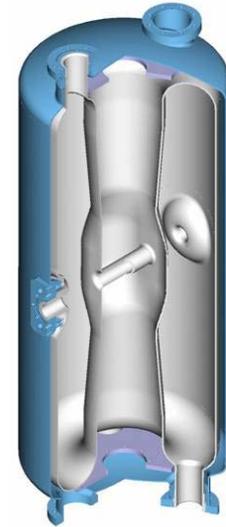


115 MHz  $\beta=0.15$   
Corrected QWR

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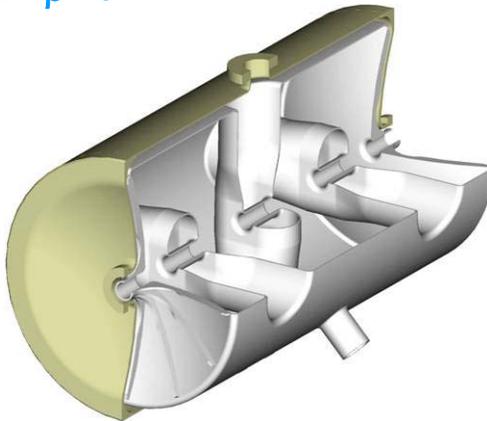


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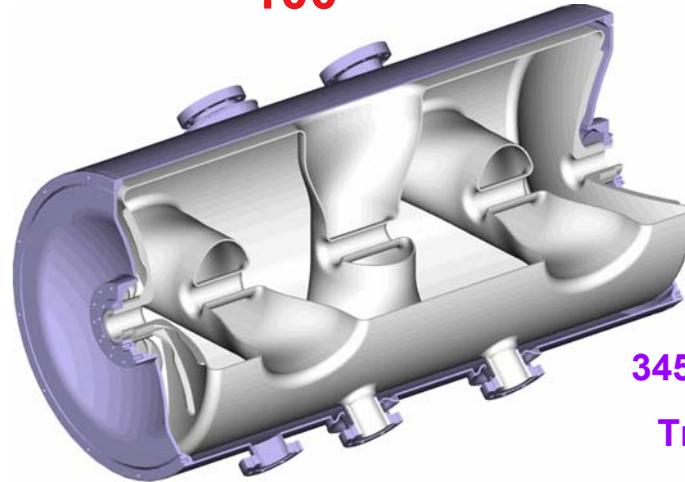
57.5 MHz QWR-based  
structures  $.02 < \beta < 0.14$

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345 MHz  $\beta=0.5$   
Triple-spoke

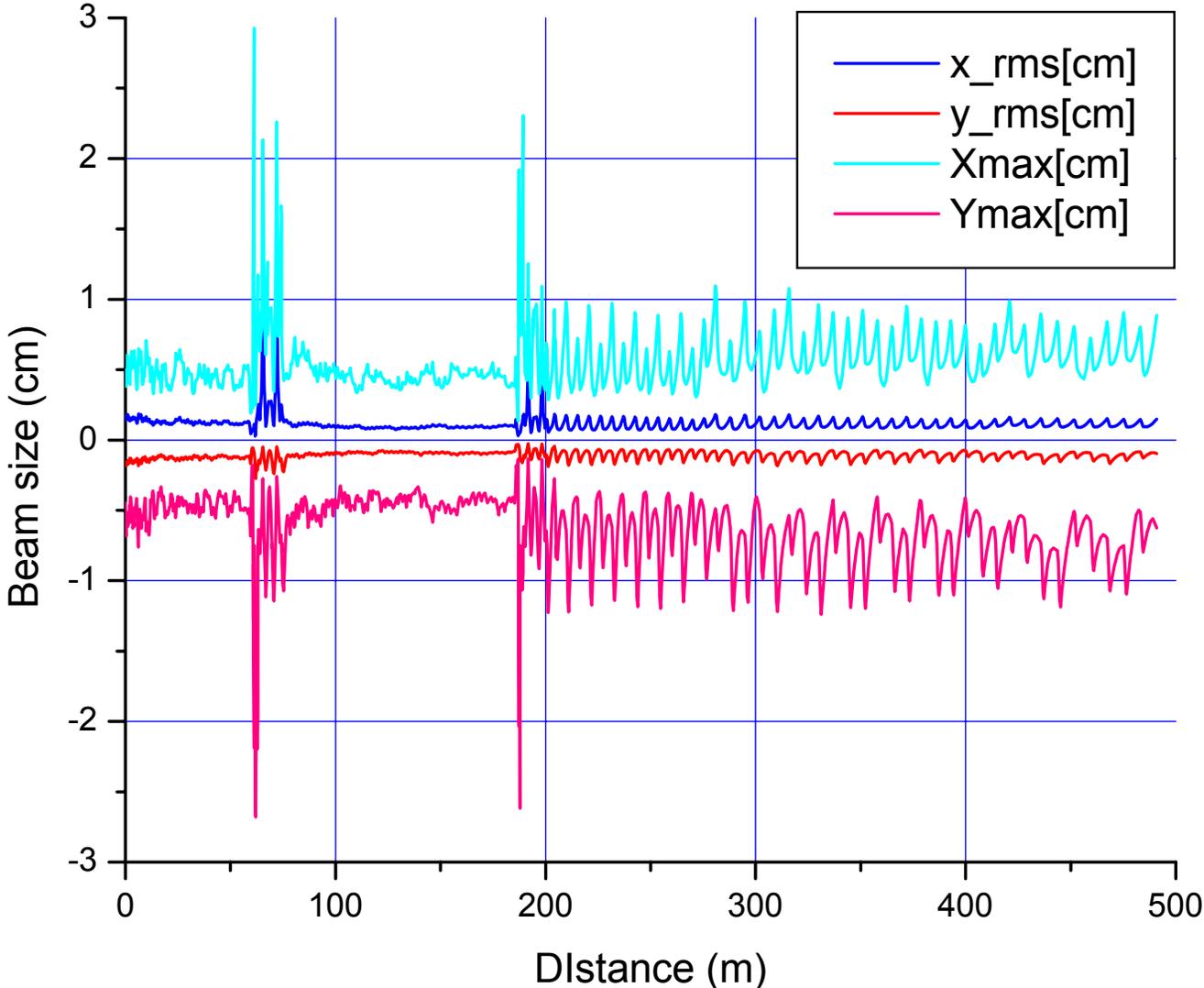
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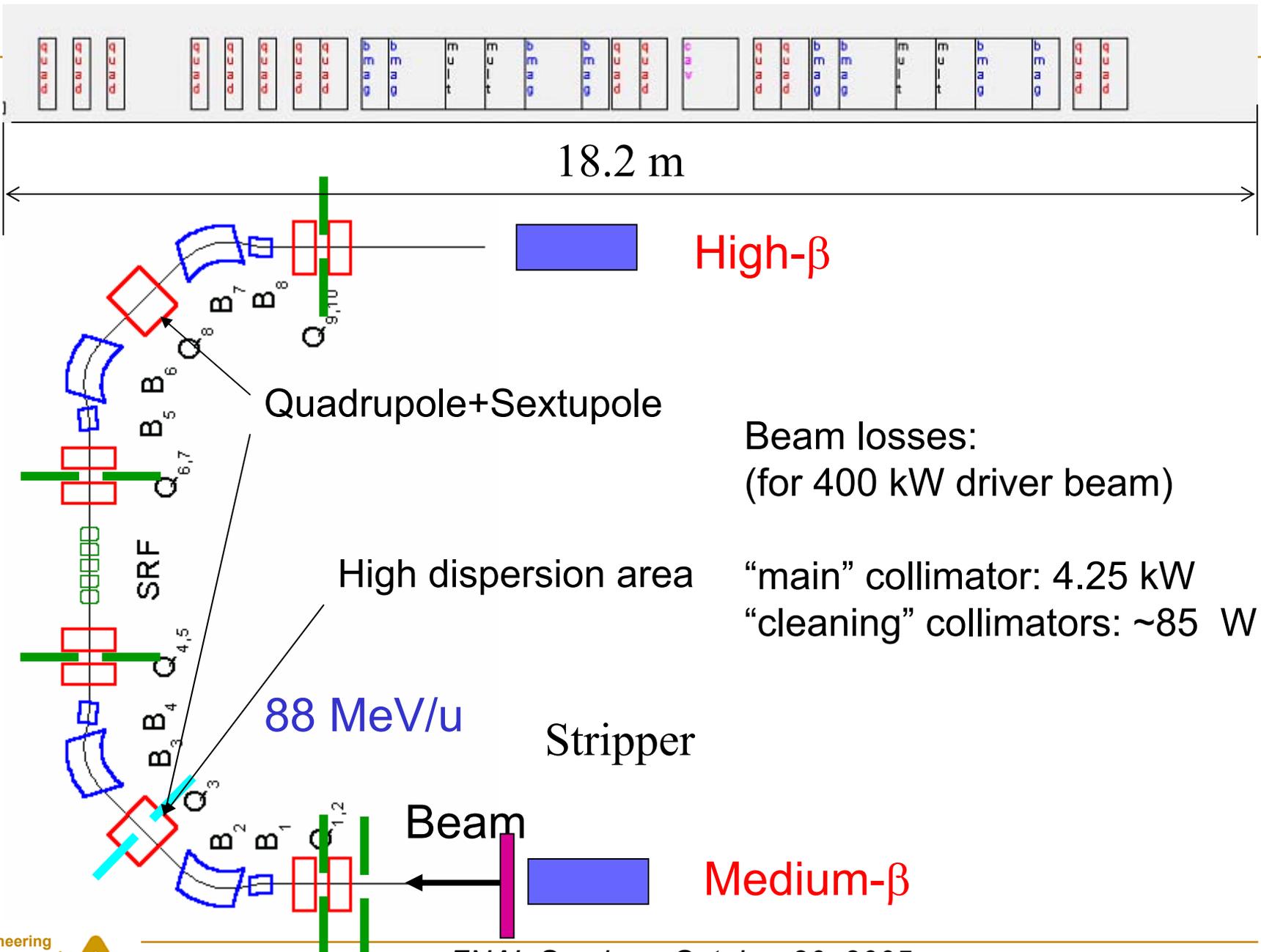


172.5 MHz  
 $\beta=0.14$  HWR

345 MHz  $\beta=0.62$   
Triple-spoke

# Beam envelopes (Uranium beam)





Beam losses:  
 (for 400 kW driver beam)  
 "main" collimator: 4.25 kW  
 "cleaning" collimators: ~85 W

# Passage through the stripper, SRIM results of elastic scattering

U-238 at 85 MeV/u

on

15 mg/cm<sup>2</sup> carbon  
stripper

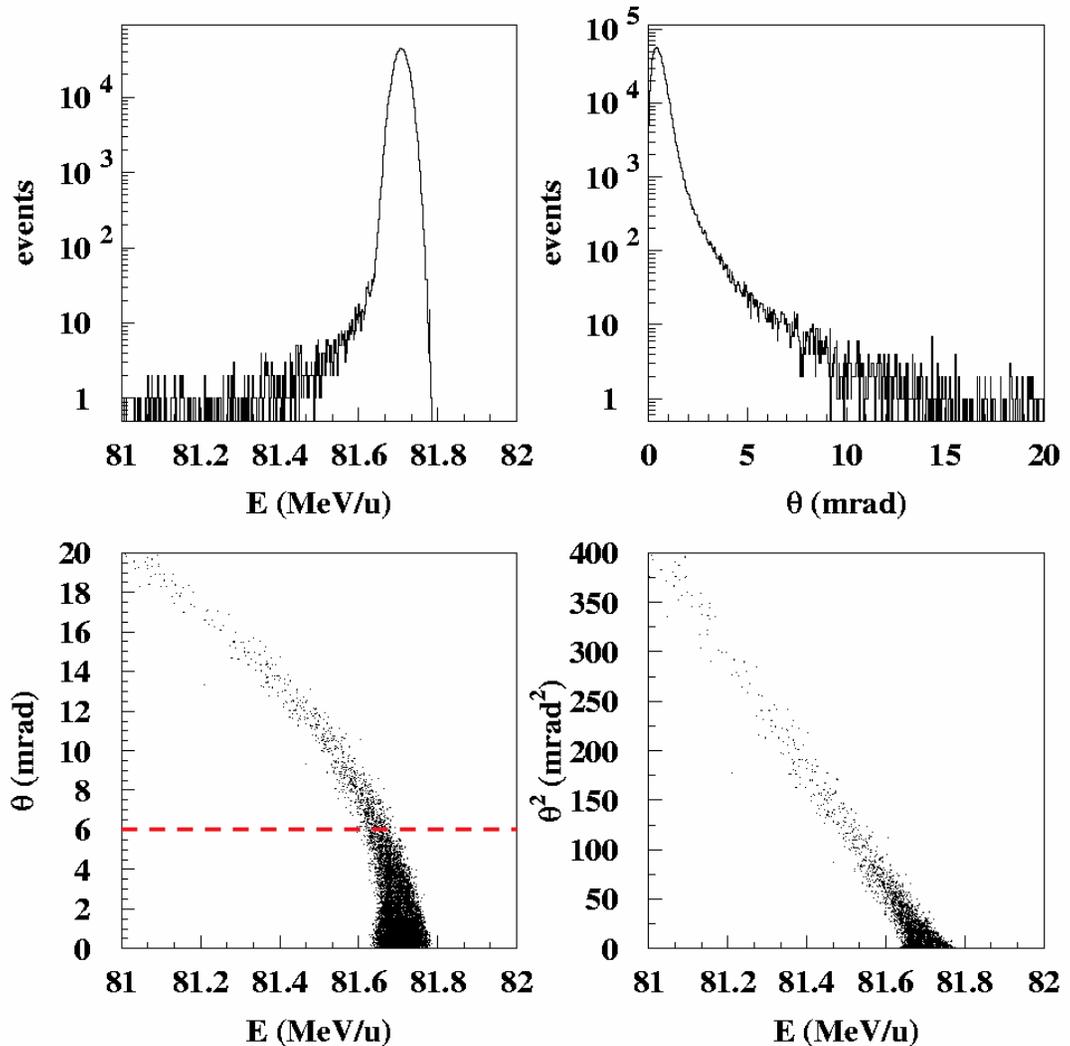
1M events

(~ 1 week on 1.8  
GHz PC)

$\Delta W = 3.29$  MeV/u

$\sigma_W = 17.6$  keV/u

$\sigma_T = 0.5$  mrad



## Consequences:

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- Thickness fluctuation is an important parameter due to the large  
~3.3 MeV/u energy loss.
- Use lower frequency SC resonators. Triple Spoke in the high- $\beta$  section:  
larger longitudinal acceptance.
- Collimate beam in the transverse phase space: can be effectively  
performed in the post-stripper transport line
- Nuclear reactions: <0.2% of ions, not included. Estimated losses are  
~ $10^{-6}$ . Tracking of radioactive products are required.

# Beam Loss Studies

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- Beam dynamics optimization along the driver linac:
  - ECR-LEBT-RFQ-MEBT including space charge and multi-component ion beams;
  - Different accelerating-focusing lattice (QWR, HWR, TSR);
  - Higher-order optimization of the post-stripper sections.
  - Minimize effective emittance growth of the multi-q beam.
- Simulation in 3D focusing and accelerating fields.
- Include passage of ions through the strippers.
- Effective cleaning of beam halo by collimation in designated areas.
- Simulate 200 seeds with errors and misalignments (automatic steering is applied for static misalignments).
- Register controlled and uncontrolled beam losses.

# Error Simulations: Parallel Computing,

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- **The study of error tolerances and beam losses requires:**
    - Simulation of different combinations of error amplitudes.
    - For each combination: Simulate a large number of error sets (or accelerators), up to 500 (typically 200).
    - For each error set: Simulate a large number of particles, up to  $1.E+6$  (typically  $2.E+5$ ).
  
  - **Computing time, a conservative guess:**
    - For 1 error set:  $2.E+5$  takes about 7 hours on a single 2.4-GHz PC
    - For 1 error amplitude combination (200 sets): 1400 hours
    - For 1 linac option (10 combinations): 14000 hours = 1.6 year
- ⇒ **Parallel computing using the ANL-JAZZ cluster:**  
1.6 year → 3 days

# *Most Critical errors: RF errors and stripper*

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- An earlier study including misalignments and RF errors as well as fluctuations in the stripper thickness showed that
  - RF errors: amplitude and phase
  - Stripper thickness fluctuationsare the most critical errors affecting the beam emittances and eventually inducing beam loss.
  
- Let's focus on RF errors and stripper fluctuation

# RF errors: Static & Dynamic (jitter)

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- **RF Field errors: Amplitude & Phase**
- **Static or Systematic errors:**
  - **Measurements errors**
  - **Difference between the computer model and actual machine**
  - **Restoring an old tune**

=> Usually, we can correct for these errors
- **Dynamic or jitter errors:**
  - **Fluctuation in time during the same tune**
  - **Usually smaller than the static errors**

=> can not be corrected for

# Typical Values

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Description	Typical value	Distribution
Static amplitude error	1-2 % (max)	Uniform
Static phase error	1-2 deg (max)	Uniform
Dynamic amplitude error	0.3-0.5 % (r.m.s.)	Gaussian
Dynamic phase error	0.3-0.5 deg (r.m.s)	Gaussian

- The code TRACK was recently updated to treat the RF static and dynamic errors separately.
- A new procedure has been developed to correct for RF static errors using a limited number of correcting cavities.

## Two linac options

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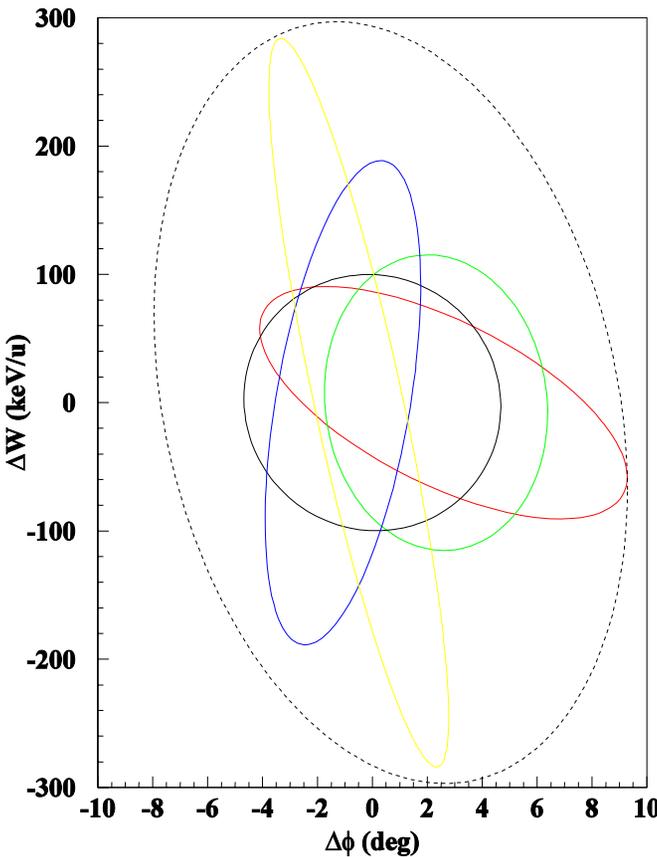
- I. **Old baseline design** : Elliptical cell cavities in the high- $\beta$  section.
- II. **Triple-spoke design (Baseline-2005)**: Triple-spoke cavities in the high- $\beta$  section.

# New automatic tuning algorithm: obtain good time focus of the bunch at the stripper location

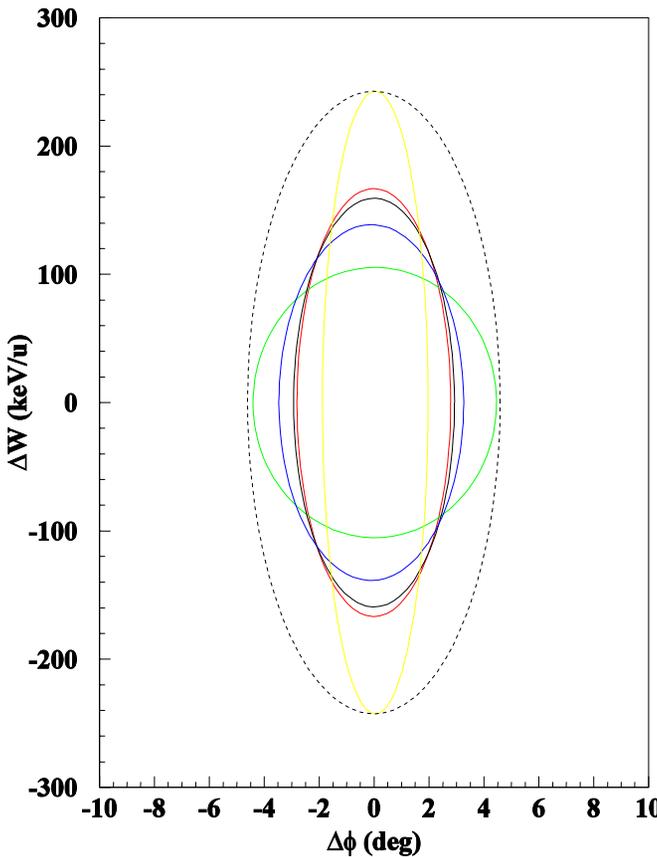
**Colors:**  
Individual charge states.

..... :  
Effective beam ellipse of all charge states.

### Original manual tune



### Automatically obtained tune

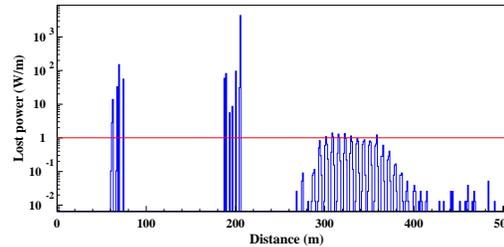


➤ **A reduction of a factor of ~ 2 in the overall emittance**

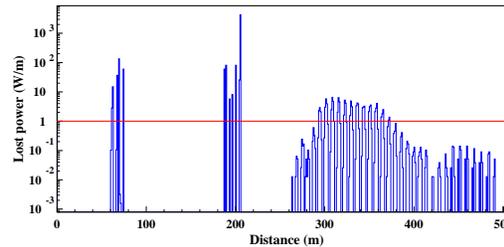
# Baseline design: Losses in Watts/m

Static /Dynamic err.

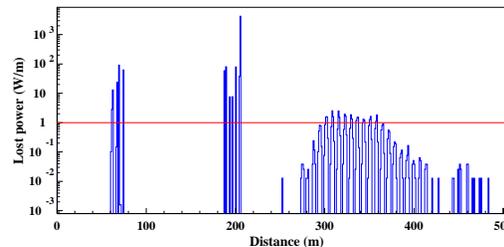
1.5 % / 0.3 %  
1.5 deg / 0.3 deg



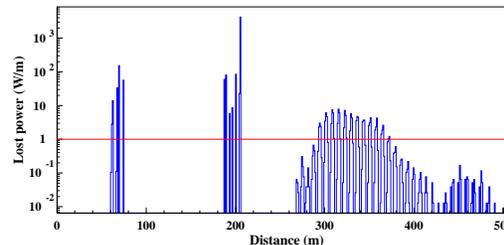
2.0 % / 0.3 %  
2.0 deg / 0.3 deg



1.0 % / 0.5 %  
1.0 deg / 0.5 deg



1.5 % / 0.5 %  
1.5 deg / 0.5 deg

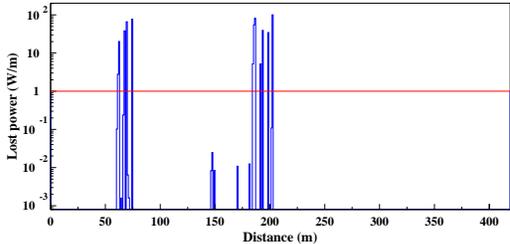


- Misalignment errors are kept at their typical values.
  - Stripper thickness fluctuation: 10% FWHM.
  - Transverse correction applied
  - Correction for RF static error applied
  - Simulated: 50 seeds with 2E+5 particles.
- To keep the losses below the 1 W/m limit, the static errors should be about (1%, 1 deg) and the dynamic errors about (0.5 %, 0.5 deg).

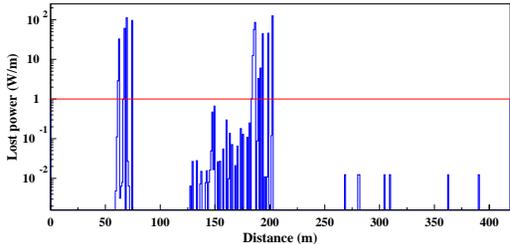
# Triple-Spoke design: Losses in Watts/m

## Static /Dynamic err.

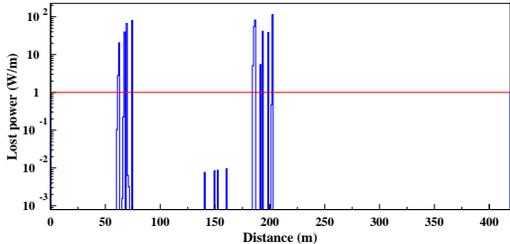
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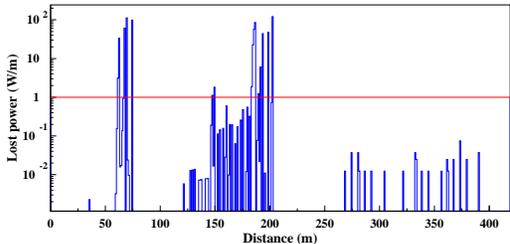
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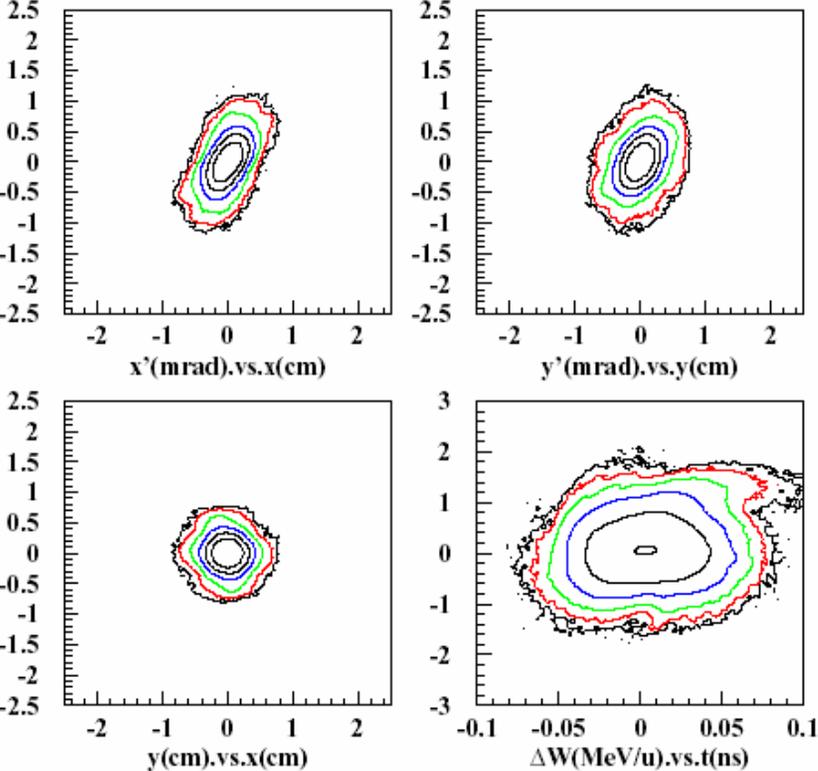
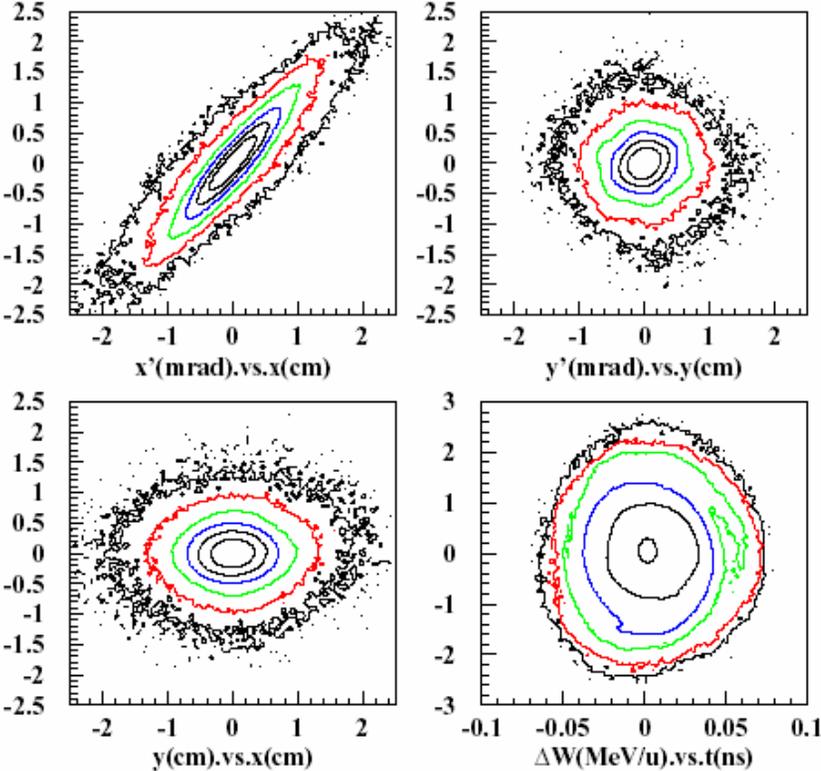


- Same conditions as for the Baseline design except for RF static and dynamic err.
- Double the RF static & dynamic errors used for the Baseline design.
- No losses observed at the typical error values of (2%, 2 deg) static and (0.5%, 0.5 deg) dynamic
- Up to static errors of (4%, 4 deg) and dynamic errors of (0.5%, 0.5 deg) the losses are still below the 1 W/m limit.
- The Triple-Spoke design is more tolerant of errors

# Beam data at the exit of linac, image of 32 million particles

## Design with elliptical cavities

## Triple-spoke (baseline -2005) design



Note: logarithmic levels of the density isolines

## *Error analysis and beam loss studies for the two options:*

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- Identify most critical errors: RF errors & stripper thickness.
- The Triple-spoke design is more tolerant of errors than the design based on elliptical cavities.
- Baseline: RF error limits are (1.0%, 1deg) and (0.3%, 0.3deg)
- Triple-Spoke: RF error limits are (4.0%, 4deg) and (0.5%, 0.5deg)
- Acceptable values: (2.0%, 2deg) and (0.5%, 0.5deg),

- **Basically, we are ready for CDR**
- **Meanwhile, pre-conceptual R&D is in progress**
  - End-to-end simulations, linac lattice optimization
  - Tunes for different ions
  - Design of strippers (beam sweeping, thermal analysis, stripper material)
  - Switchyard design optimization
  - Radioactive products and beam contamination
  - Fragment separators
  - Post-accelerator
  - Many projects for prototyping (SC ECR, RIA driver front end, post-accelerator front end, cavities, gas cell, targets,...)