

# Introduction to Accelerator Physics

Pedro Castro / Accelerator Physics Group (MPY)  
Hamburg, 2 August 2021



# Accelerator lectures framework in this Summer School

18th and 19th Aug.: Future accelerators:

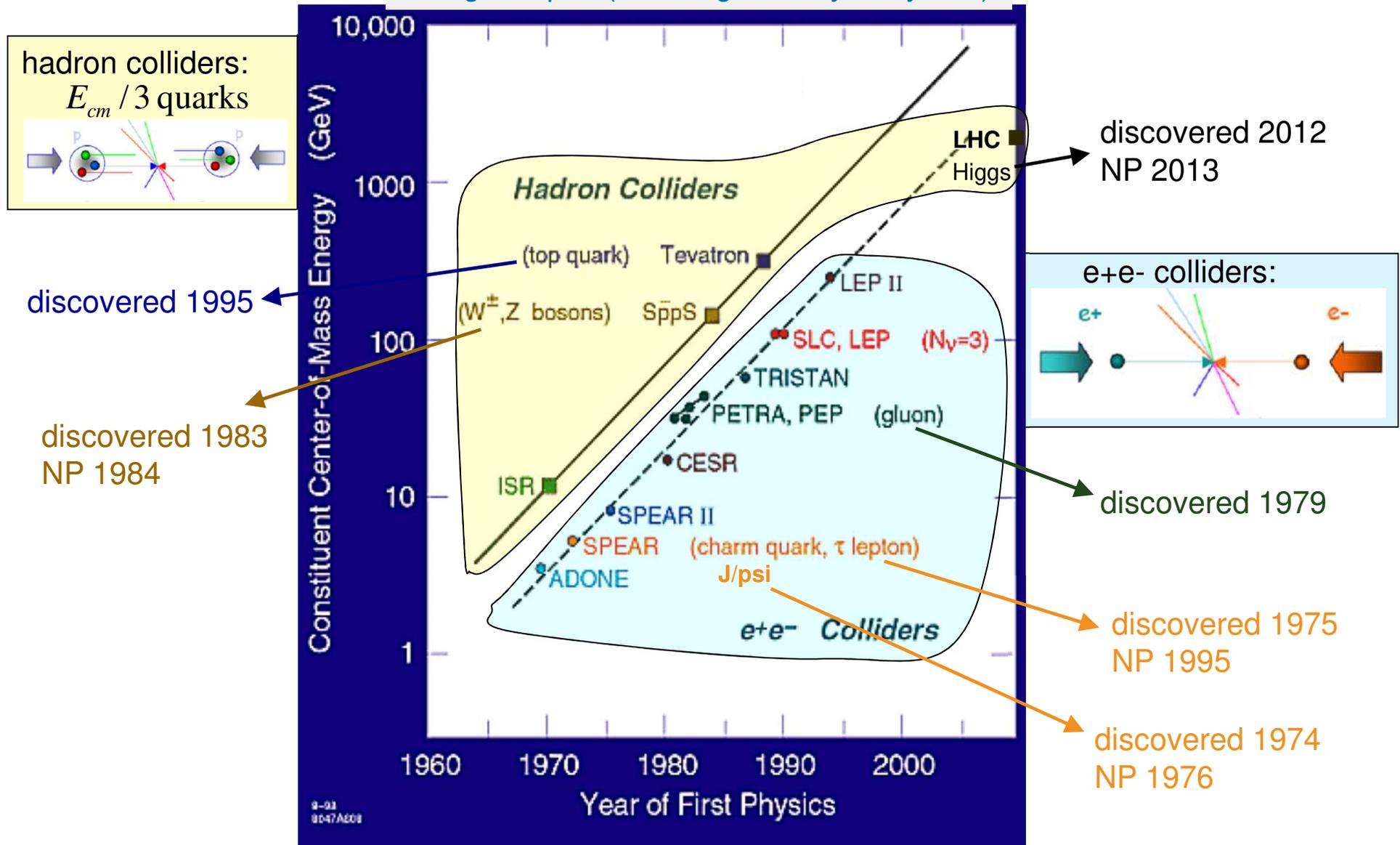
- Future colliders for the energy frontier, K. Buesser
- Plasma accelerators, J. Osterhoff

Today: focus on present day (and last 50 years) accelerator technology

**synchrotrons: machines for discoveries**

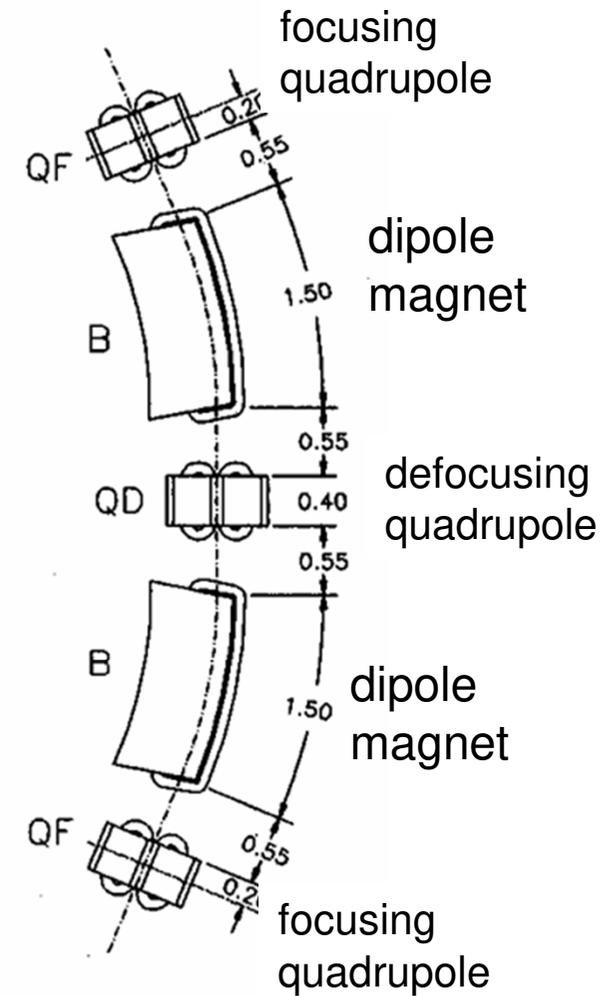
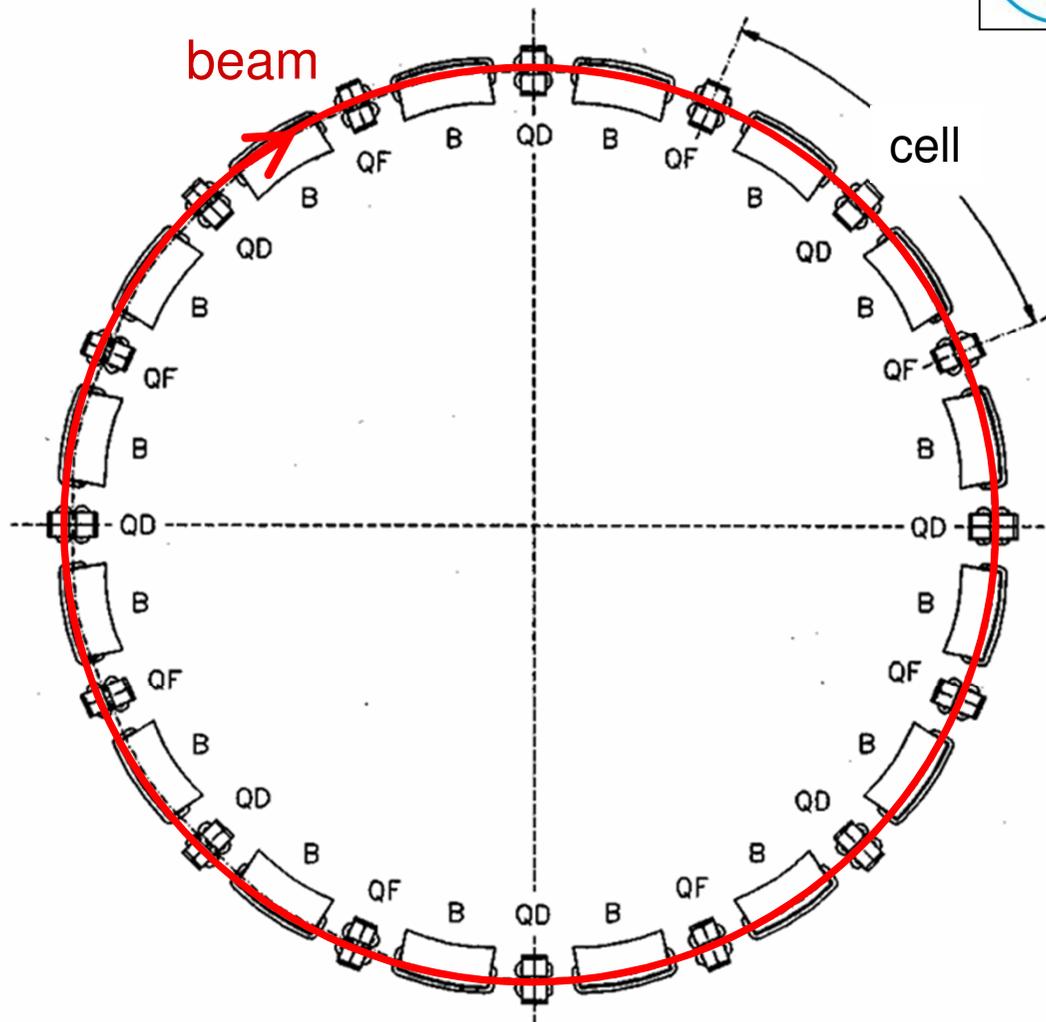
# Main HEP discoveries at synchrotrons in the last 50 years

Livingston plot (doubling E every 3.5 years)



# Scope of this lecture:

1. Why synchrotrons are called synchrotrons?

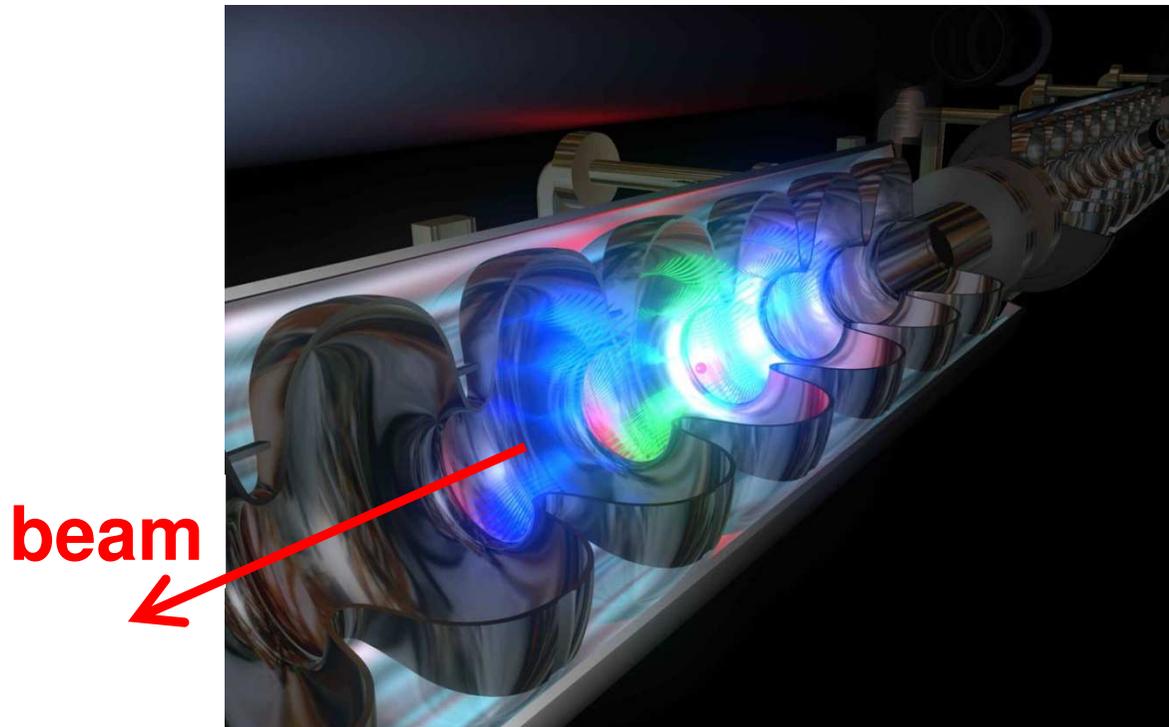


# Scope of this lecture:

1. Why synchrotrons are called synchrotrons?

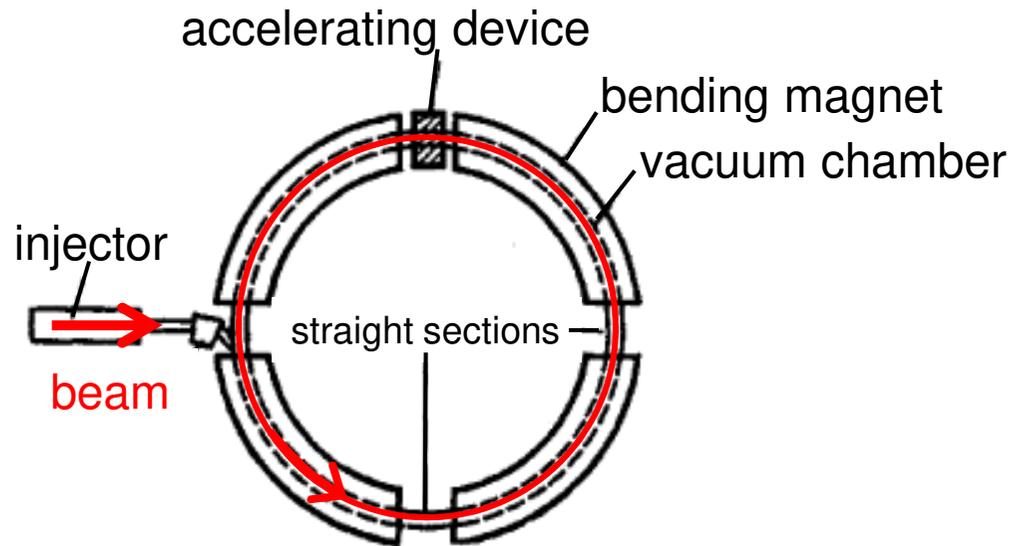
Key components and their challenges to reach high energies:

1. Dipole magnetic fields
2. Superconducting dipoles
3. (~~Focusing beams using quadrupole magnets~~)
4. Acceleration using radio-frequency electromagnetic fields



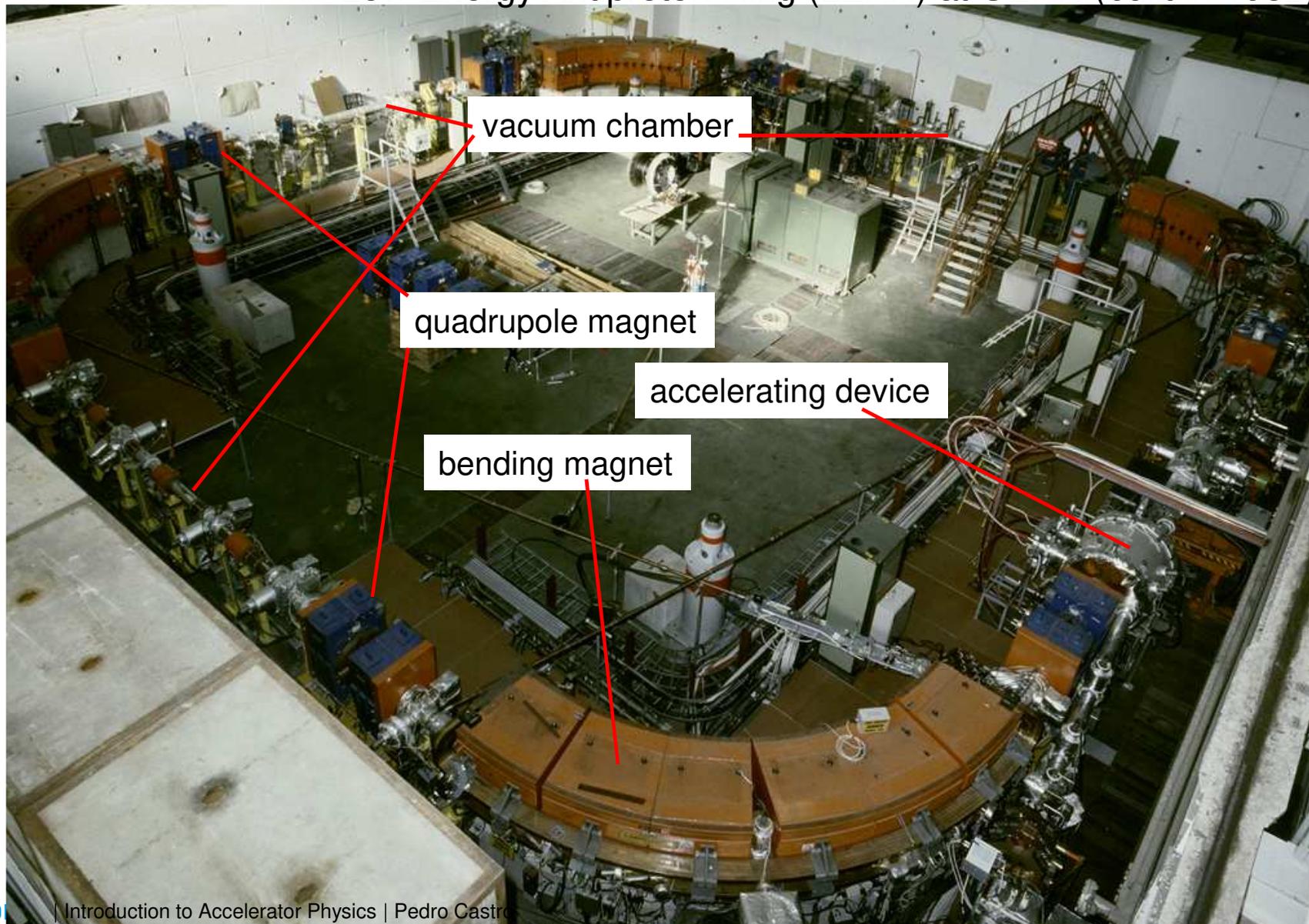
# Circular accelerators: the synchrotron

- 1945: Veksler (UDSSR) and McMillan (USA) invent the synchrotron
- 1946: Goward and Barnes build the first synchrotron
- 1949: Wilson et al. at Cornell are first to store beam in a synchrotron
- 1949: McMillan builds a 320 MeV electron synchrotron

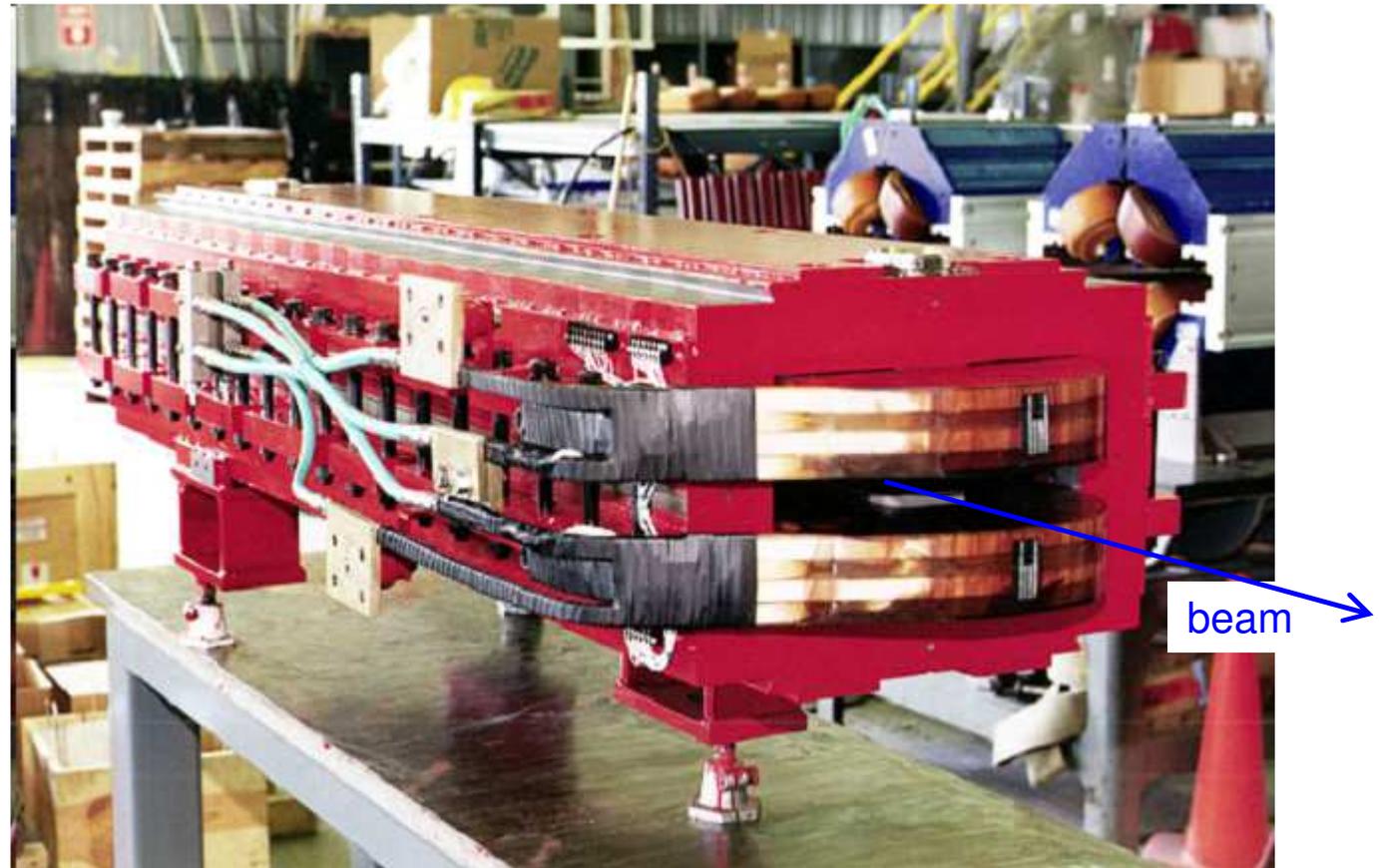


# Circular accelerators: the synchrotron

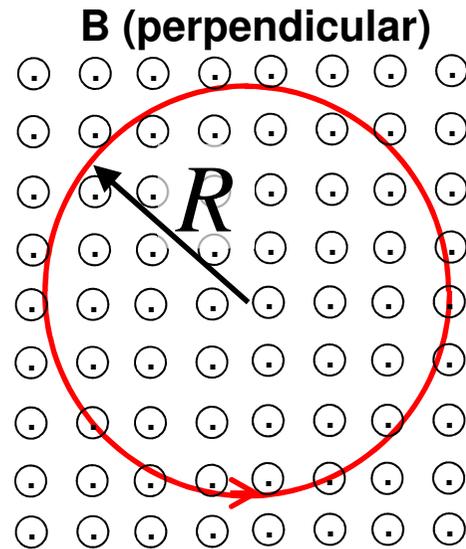
Low Energy Antiproton Ring (LEAR) at CERN (built in 1982)



# Dipole magnet



# Circular accelerators: the synchrotron

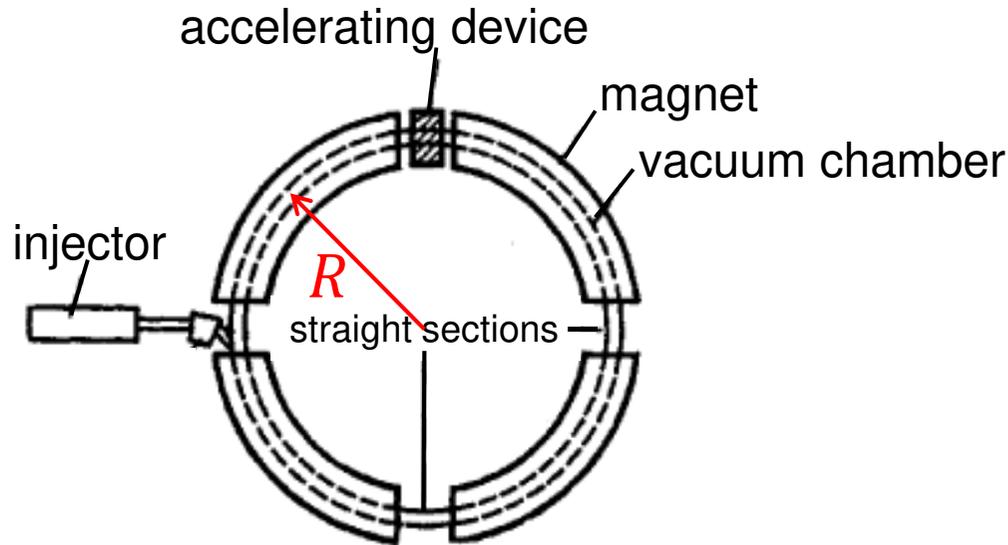


$$\vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

momentum      charge      velocity      magnetic field  
 of the particle

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \vec{B} \perp \vec{v} \rightarrow F = qvB \\ \vec{F} \perp \vec{v} \rightarrow F = m \frac{v^2}{R} \\ \text{(circular motion)} \end{array} \right\} qB = \frac{mv}{R} \rightarrow R = \frac{mv}{qB}$$

# Circular accelerators: the synchrotron



$$\vec{B} \perp \vec{v} \rightarrow F = qvB$$

$$\vec{F} \perp \vec{v} \rightarrow F = m \frac{v^2}{R}$$

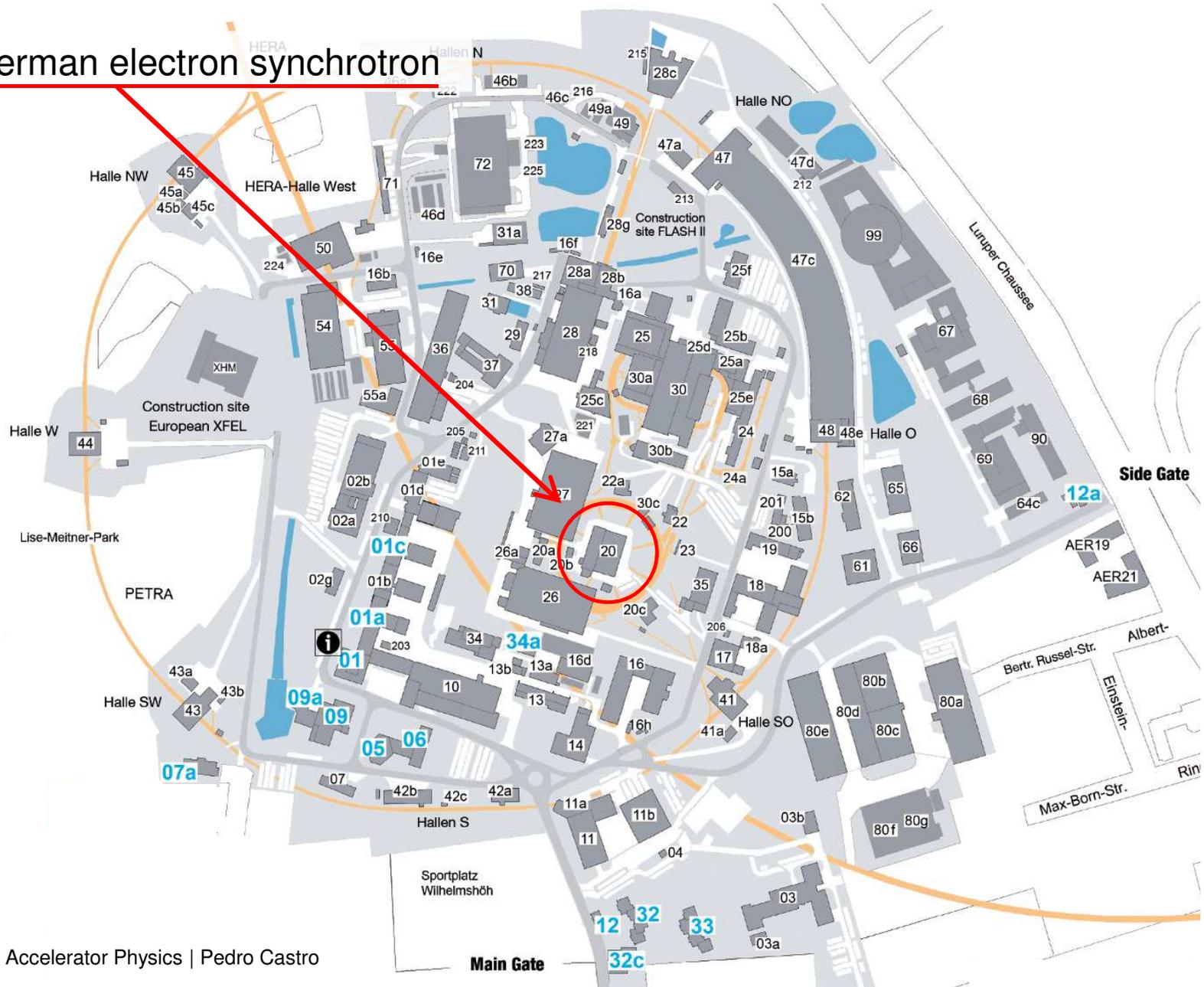
(circular motion)

$$qB = \frac{mv}{R} \rightarrow R = \frac{mv}{qB} = \text{constant}$$

→ increase B **synchronously**  
with  $p = mv$  of particle

# DESY (Deutsches Elektronen Synchrotron)

DESY: German electron synchrotron

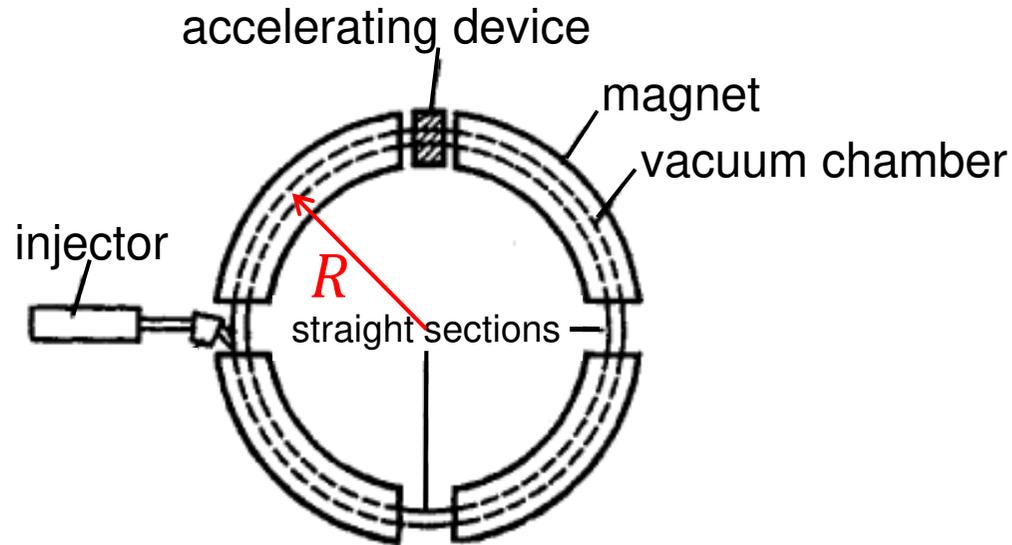


# DESY (Deutsches Elektronen Synchrotron)

DESY: German electron synchrotron, 1964, 7.4 GeV



## Key components and their challenges to reach high energies: Dipole magnetic fields

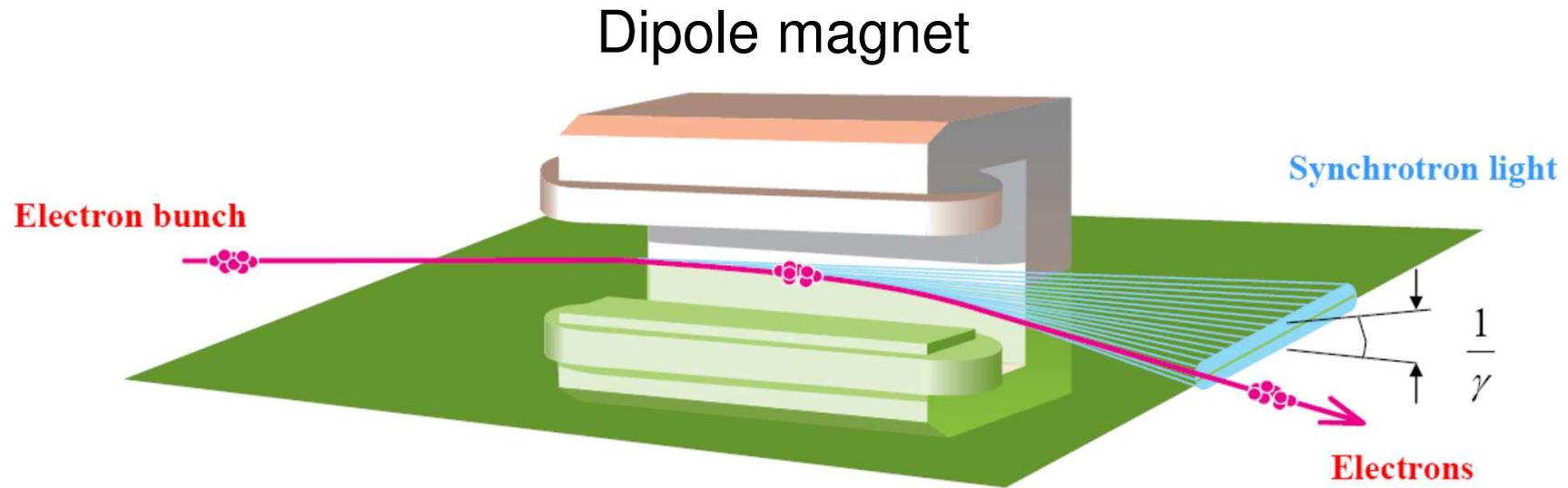


$$\left. \begin{array}{l}
 \vec{B} \perp \vec{v} \rightarrow F = qvB \\
 \vec{F} \perp \vec{v} \rightarrow F = m \frac{v^2}{R} \\
 \text{(circular motion)}
 \end{array} \right\} qB = \frac{mv}{R} \rightarrow R = \frac{(mv)_{max}}{qB_{max}} = \text{constant}$$

only for protons (or ions):

- goal: as higher magnetic field as possible

# Synchrotron radiation



Power radiated by one electron in a dipole field  $B$ :

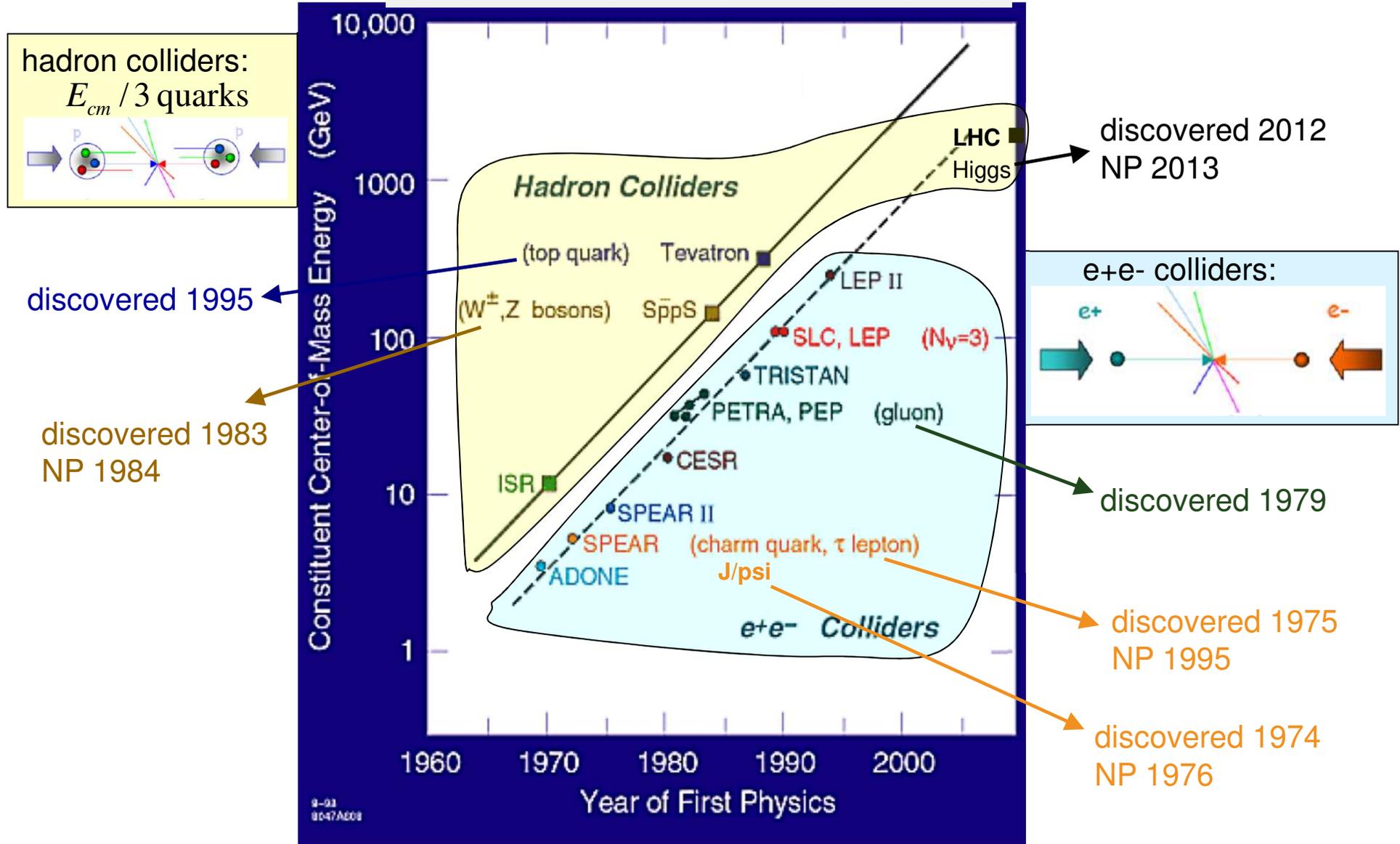
$$P = \frac{c q^2}{6\pi \epsilon_0} \frac{\gamma^4}{r^2}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{E}{m_0 c^2}$$

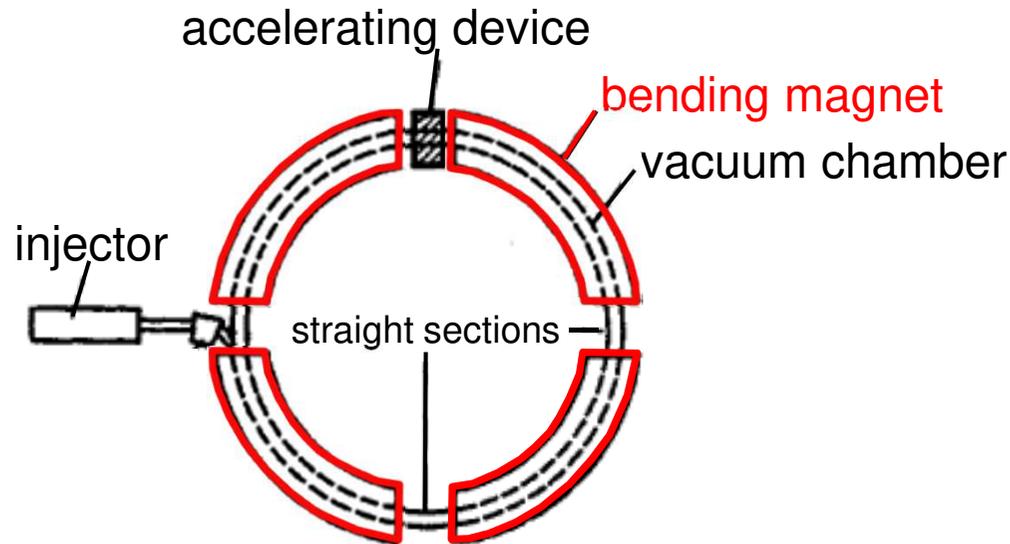
$$\frac{1}{r} = \frac{q B}{p}$$

vacuum permittivity

Livingston plot (doubling E every 3.5 years)



## Key components and their challenges to reach high energies: Dipole magnetic fields



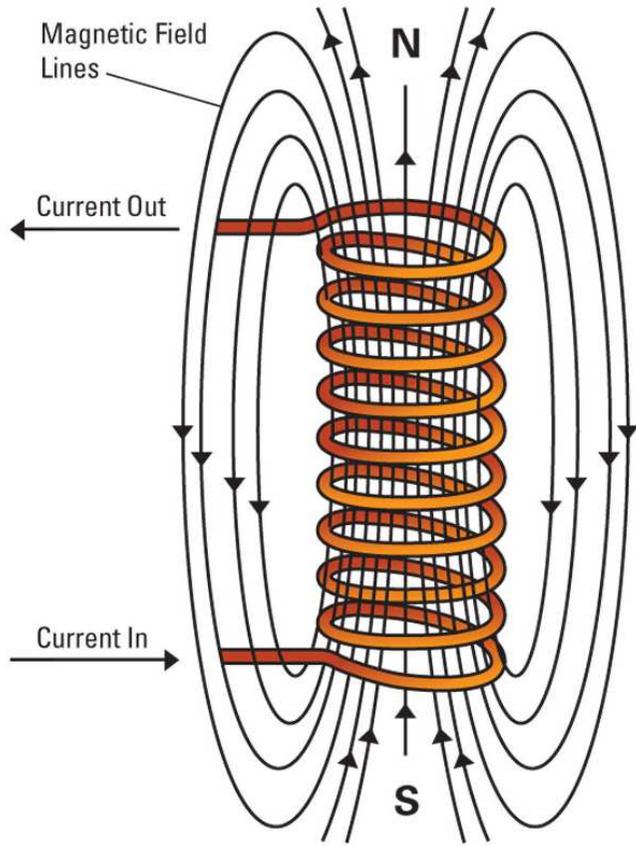
Requirements / challenges for bending magnets (dipoles):

- scalable field  $B$  with particle momentum/energy
- very homogeneous field (field quality)

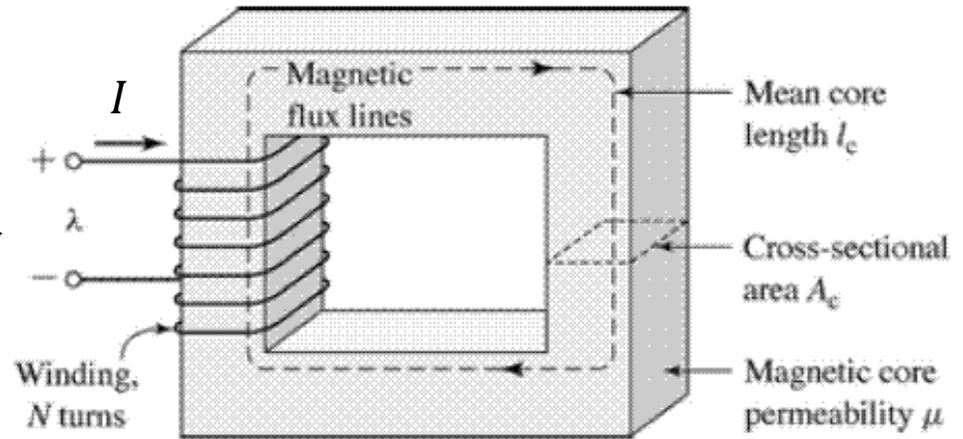
only for protons (or ions):

- as higher magnetic field as possible

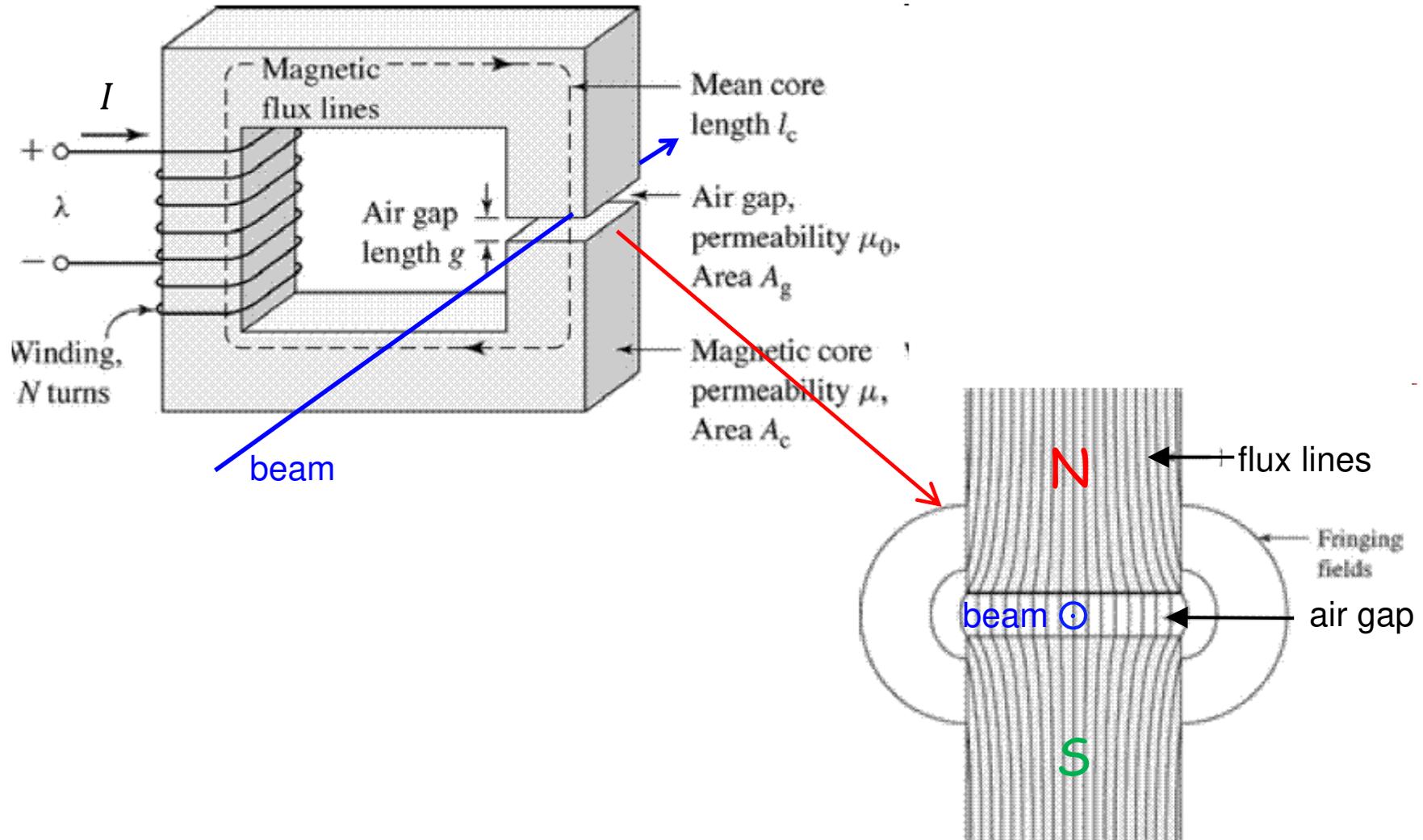
# Electromagnet



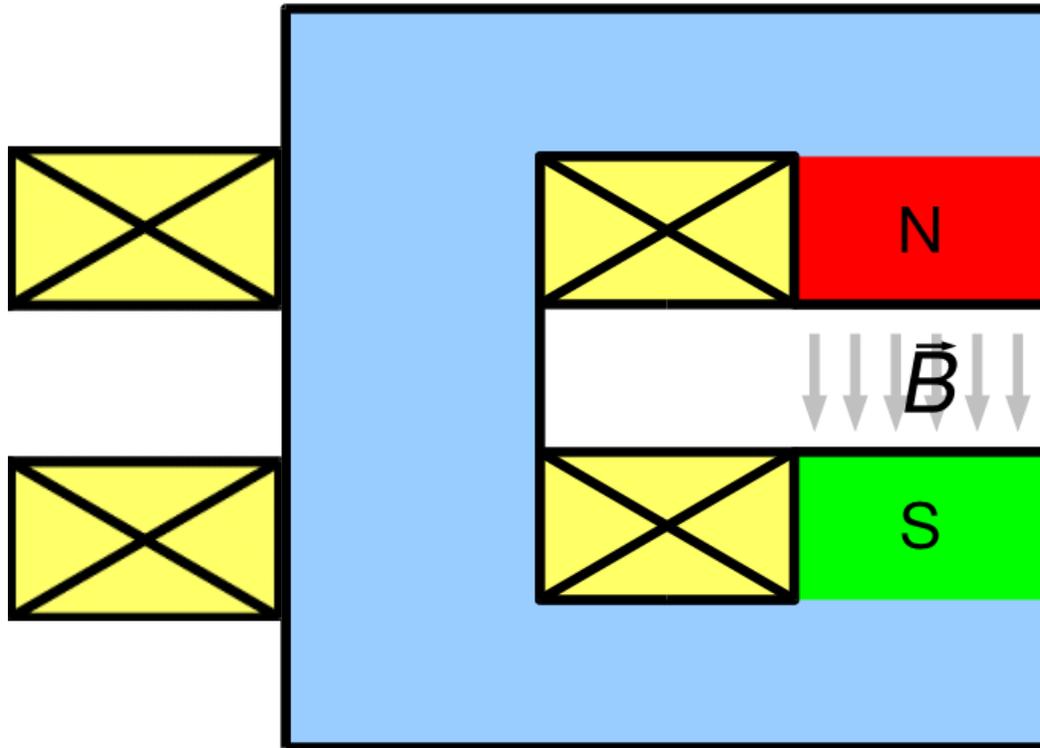
permeability of iron = 300...10000 larger than air



# Dipole magnet

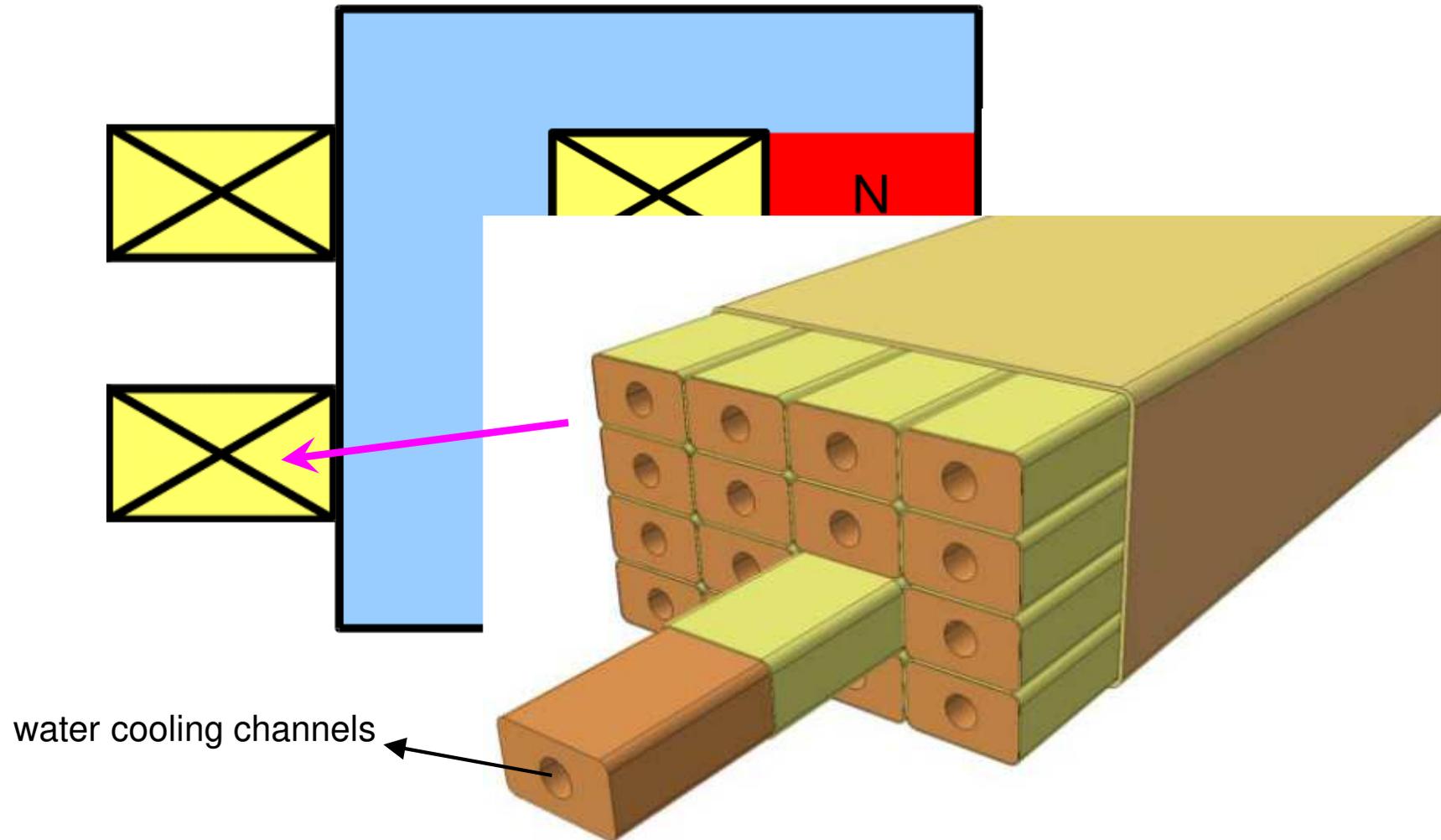


# Dipole magnet cross section

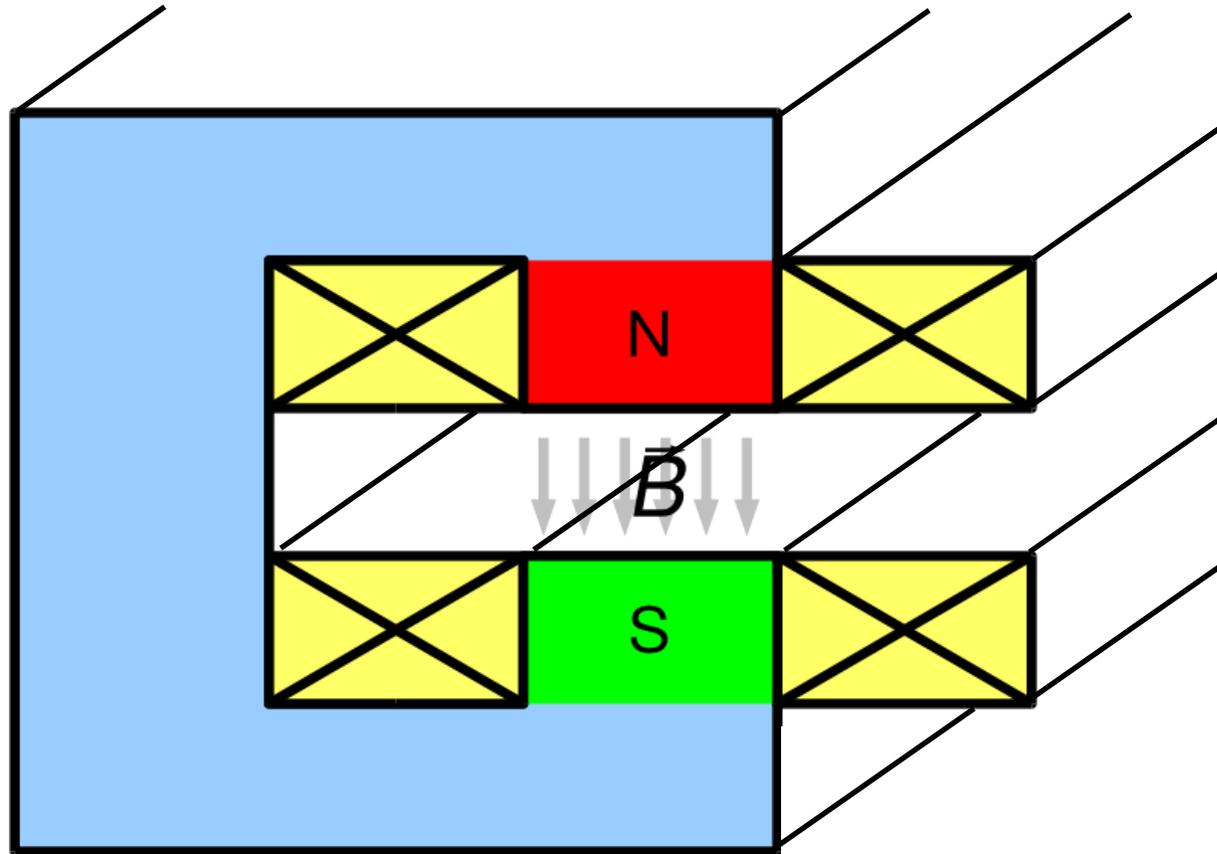


increase  $B \rightarrow$  increase current, but power dissipated  $P = R \cdot I^2$   
 $\rightarrow$  large conductor cables

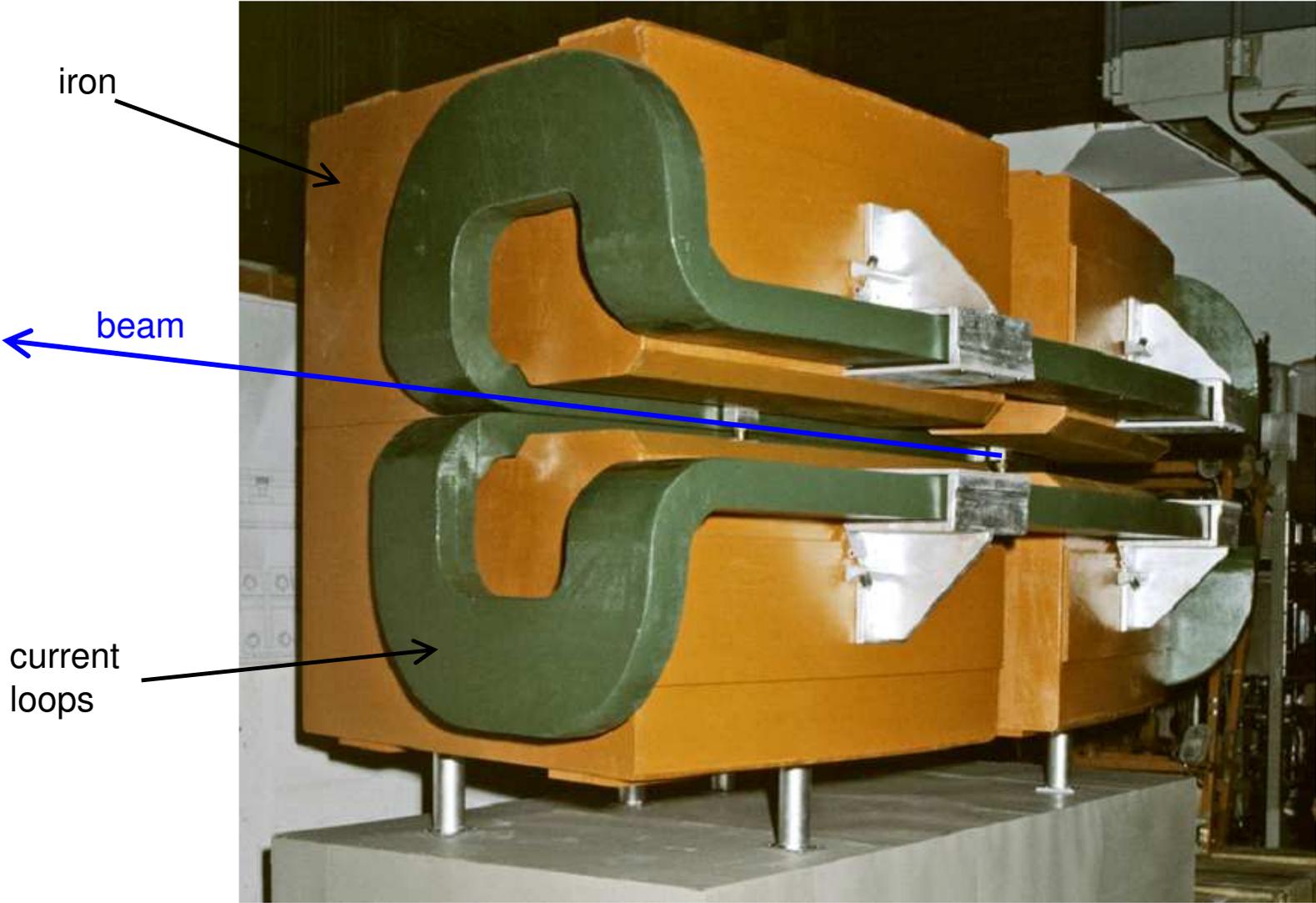
# Dipole magnet cross section



# Dipole magnet cross section

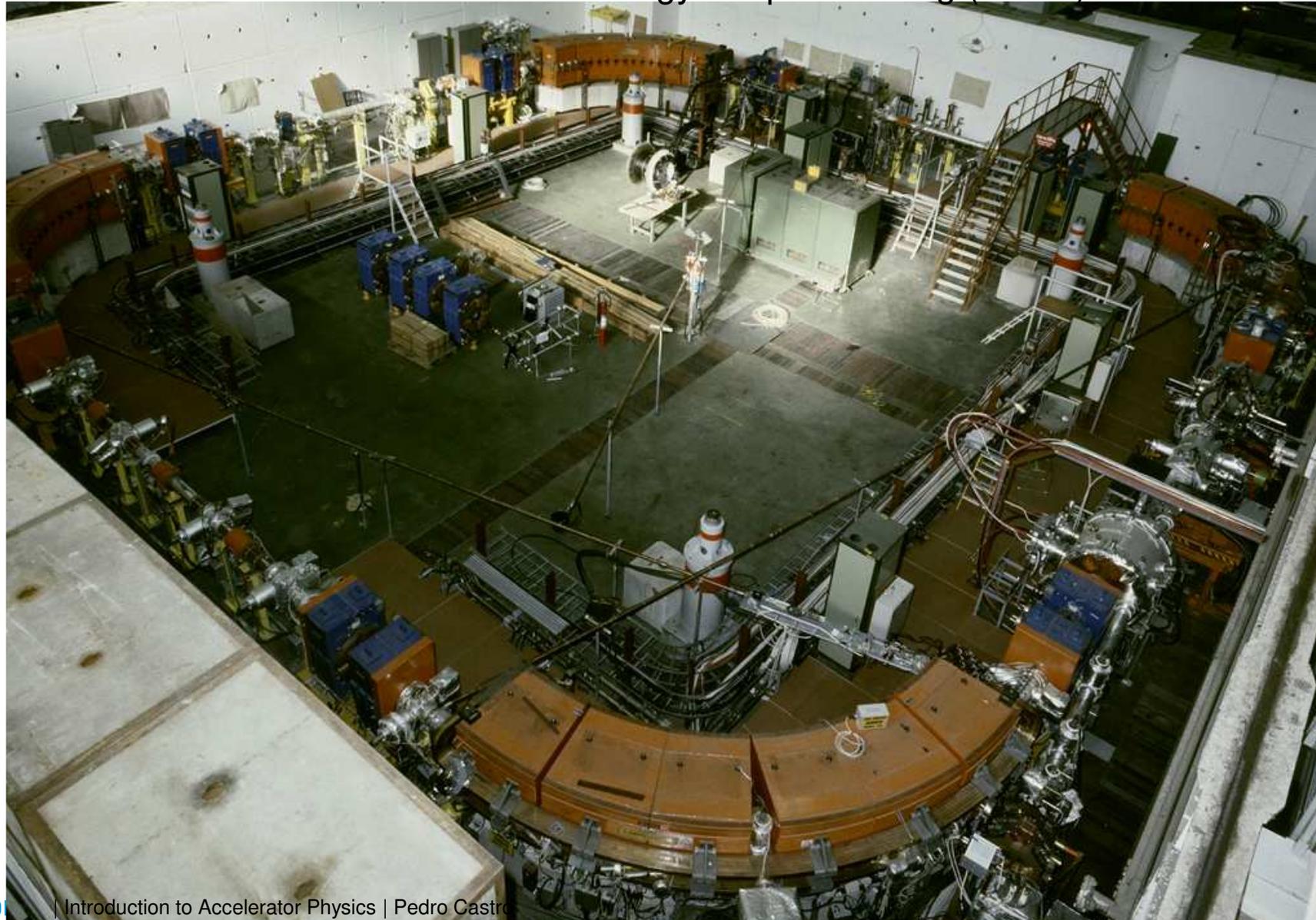


# Dipole magnet

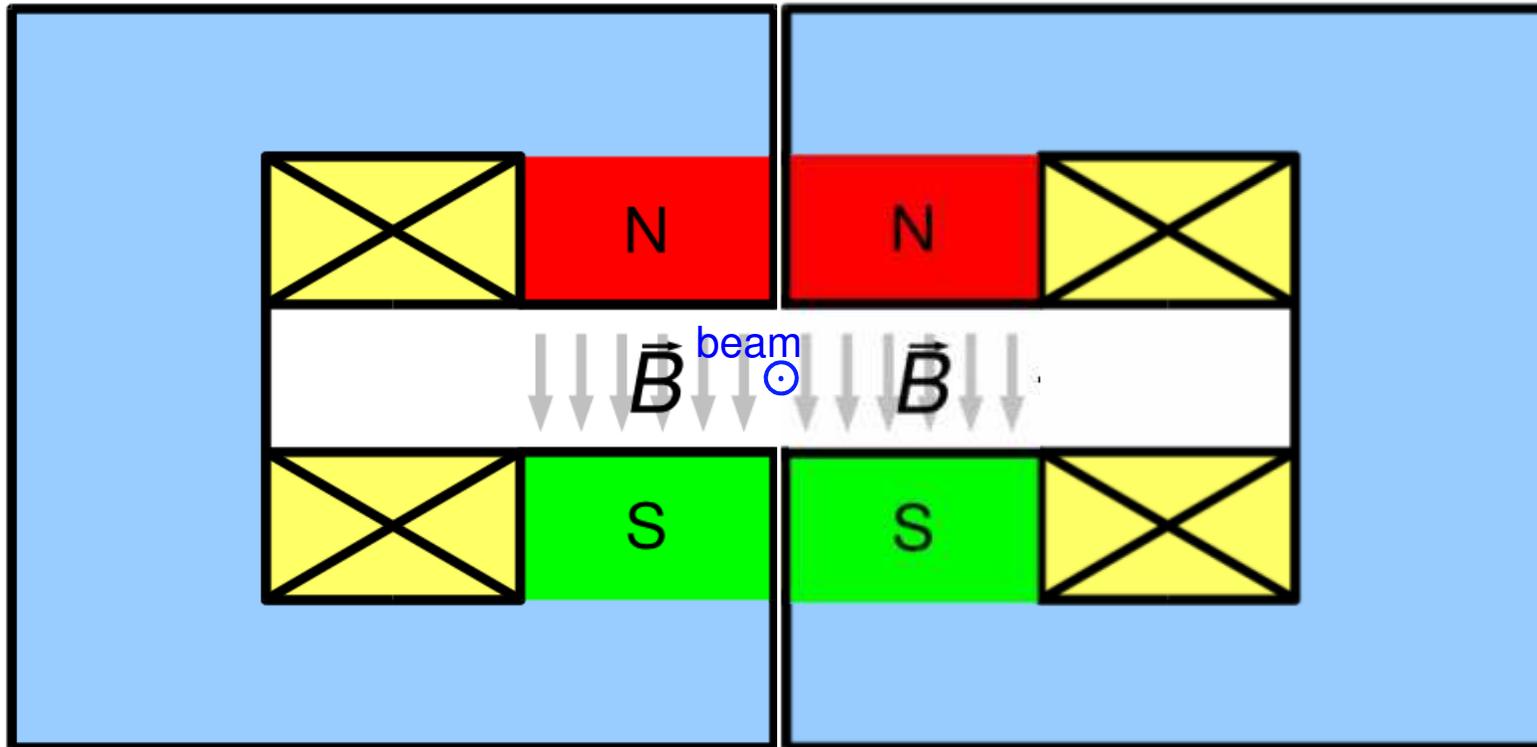


# Dipole magnet

Low Energy Antiproton Ring (LEAR) at CERN

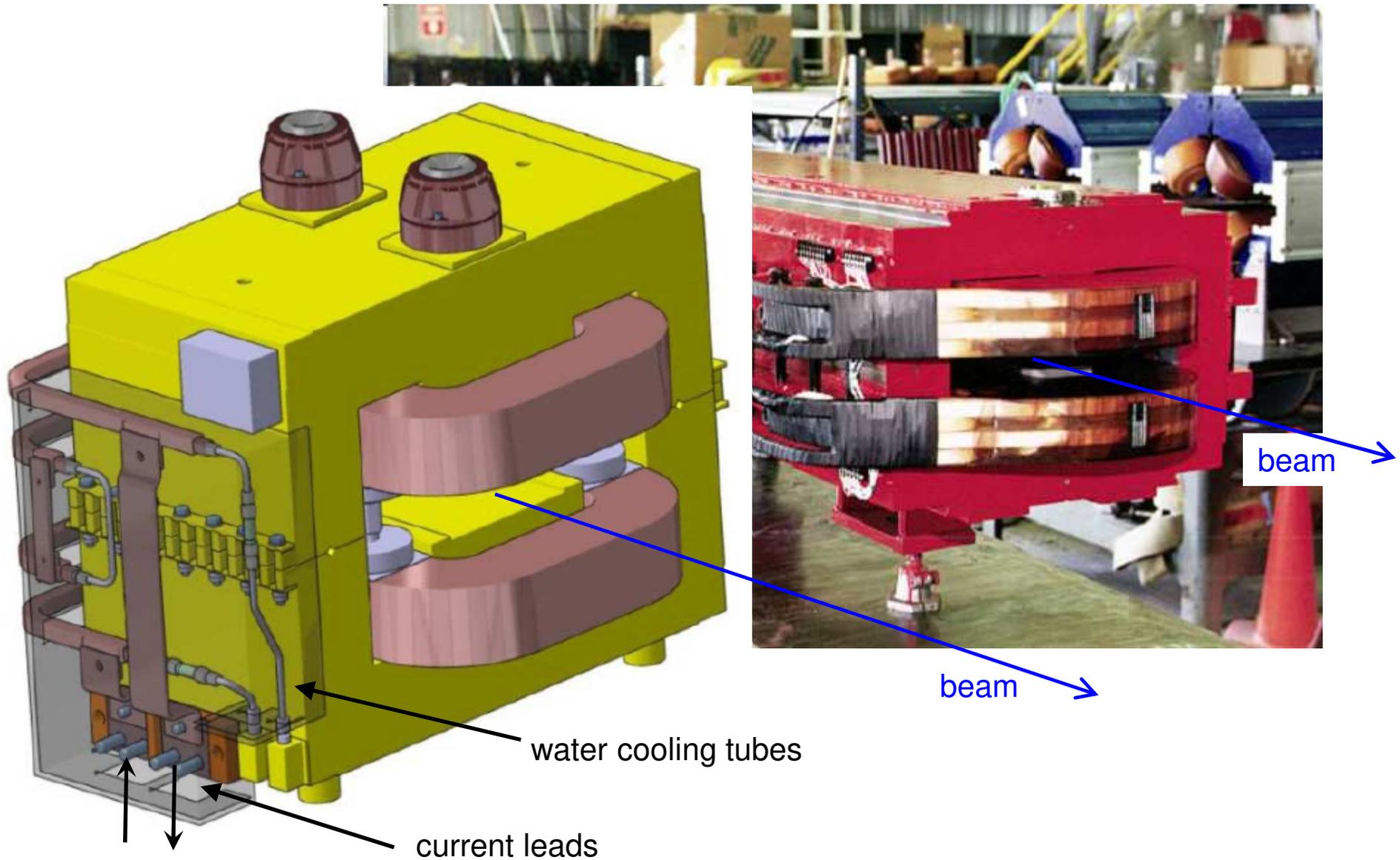


# Dipole magnet cross section



C magnet + C magnet = H magnet

# Dipole magnet cross section (another design)

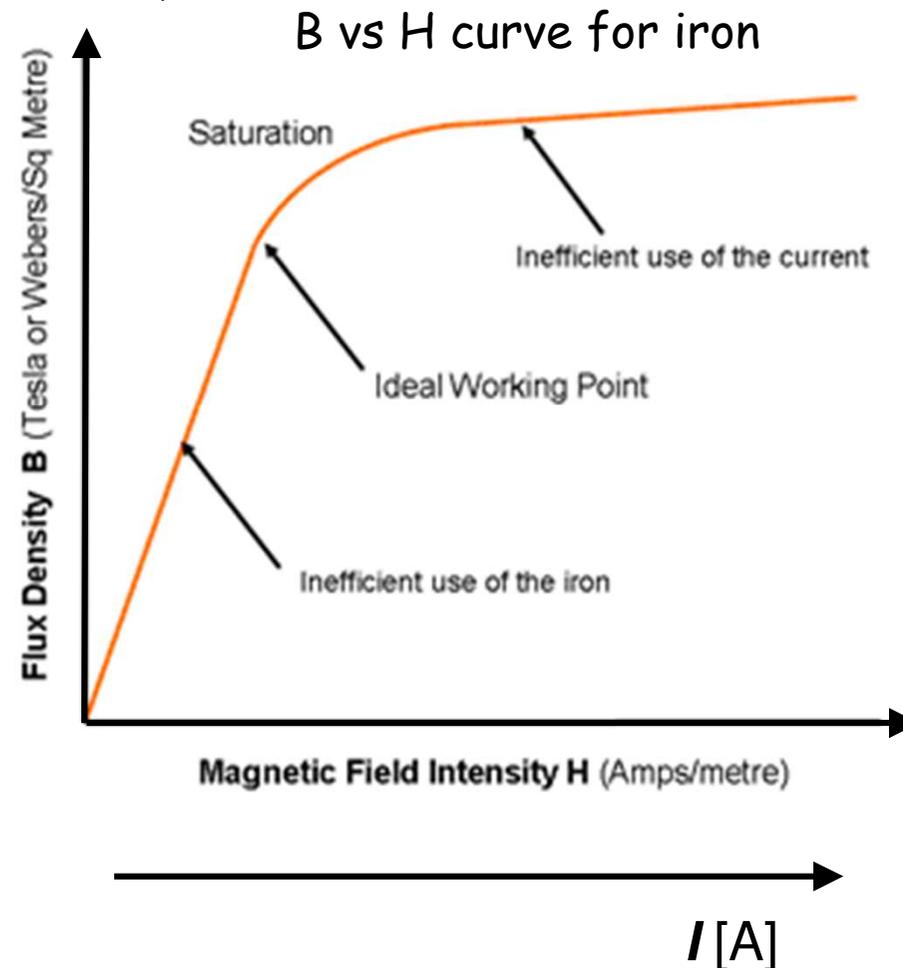


## Key components and their challenges to reach high energies: Dipole magnetic fields

- ✓ field quality
- ✓ energy scalable: with current
- very high magnetic fields (max. 2 T)

**Saturation of iron:  
1.6 – 2 T**

Power dissipated:  $P = R \cdot I^2$

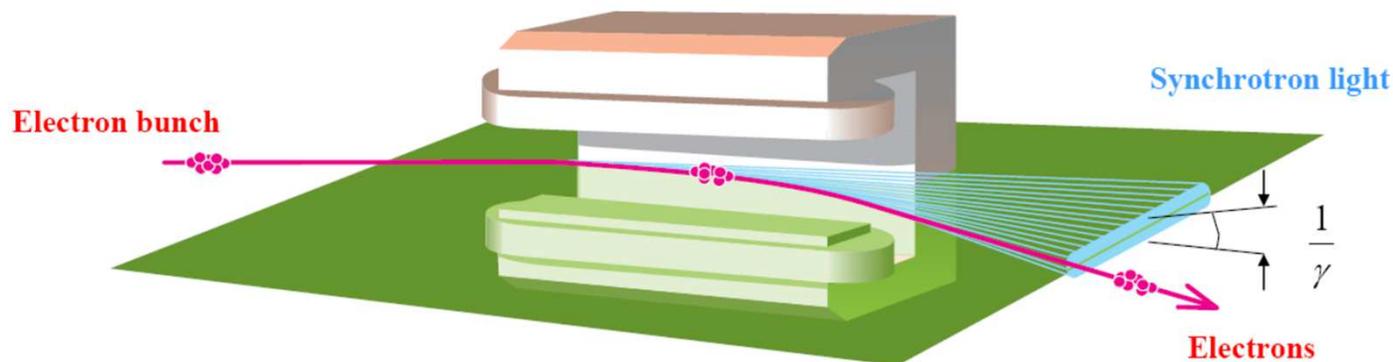


## Key components and their challenges to reach high energies: Dipole magnetic fields

- ✓ field quality
- ✓ energy scalable: with current
- very high magnetic fields (max. 2 T)

normal conducting magnets OK for electron synchrotrons

Bending Magnet



energy limitation for e- synchrotrons: energy loss due to synchrotron radiation

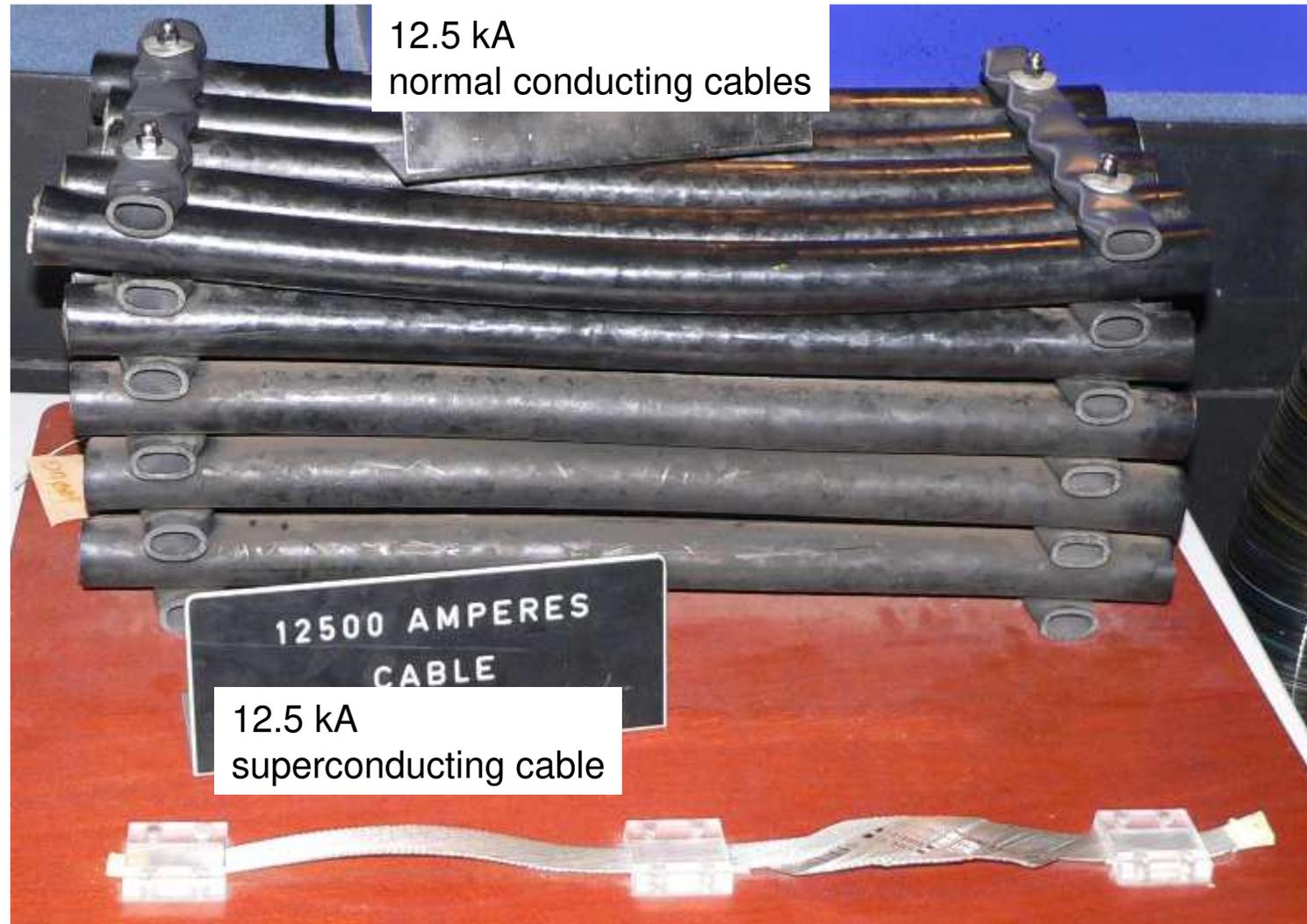
→ Future colliders for the energy frontier, K. Buesser

## Key components and their challenges to reach high energies: Dipole magnetic fields

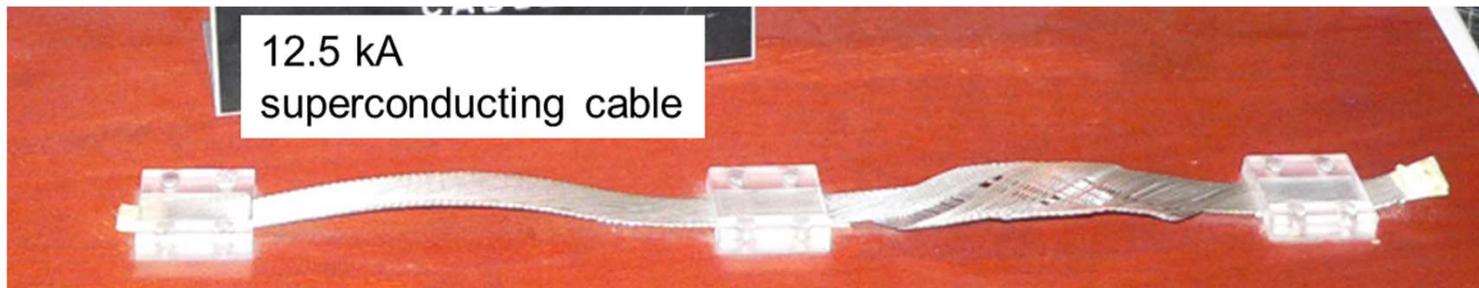
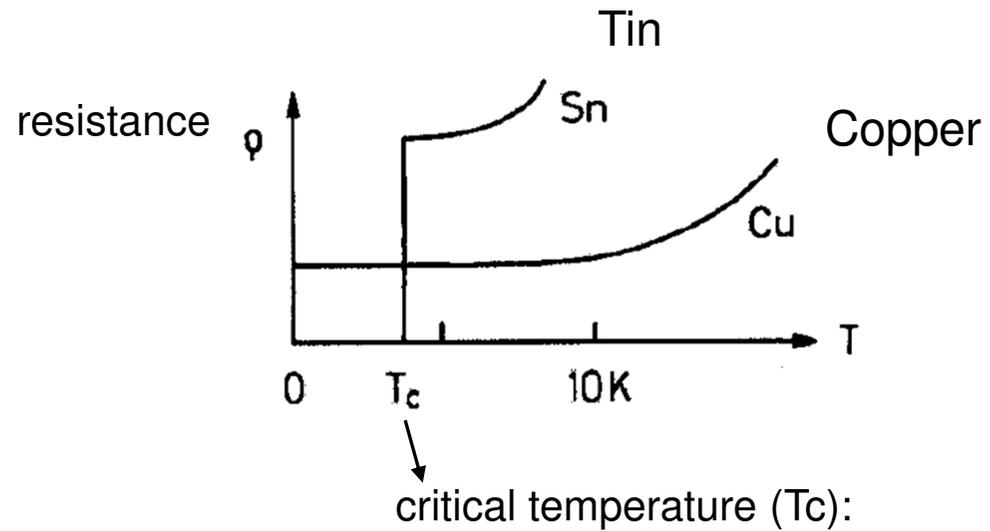
- ✓ field quality
- ✓ energy scalable: with current
- very high magnetic fields (max. 2 T)

for proton (or heavy ion) synchrotrons ?

# Superconductivity

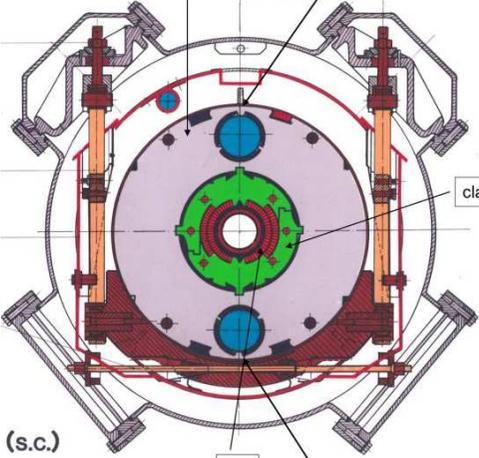
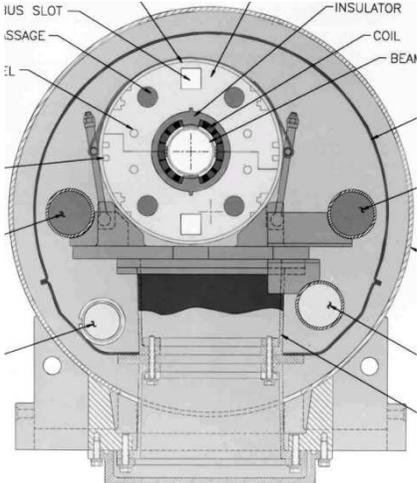
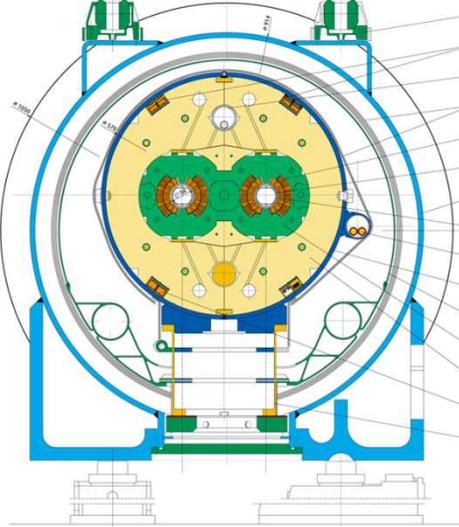


# Superconductivity



+  
forget about iron

# Superconducting dipole magnets: cross section

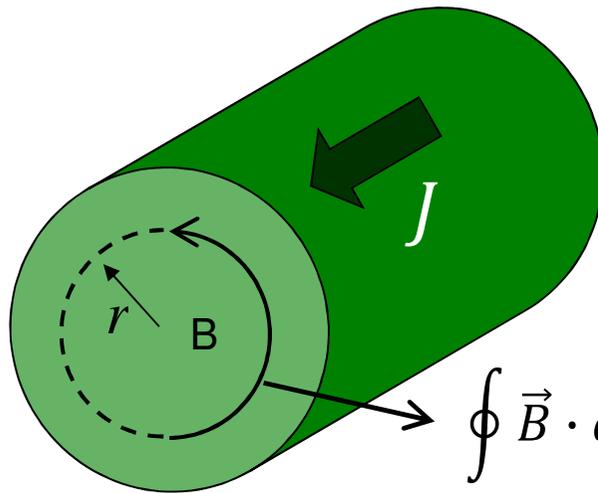
Tevatron	HERA	RHIC	LHC
Fermilab Chicago (USA)	DESY Hamburg (Germany)	Brookhaven Long Island (USA)	CERN Geneva (Switzerland)
4.5 T	5.3 T	3.5 T	8.3 T
			

# Dipole field inside 1 conductor

$J$ : uniform current density

Ampere's law:

$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = \mu_0 I_{\text{enclosed}}$$



$$\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = \oint B ds = 2\pi r B = \mu_0 \pi r^2 J$$

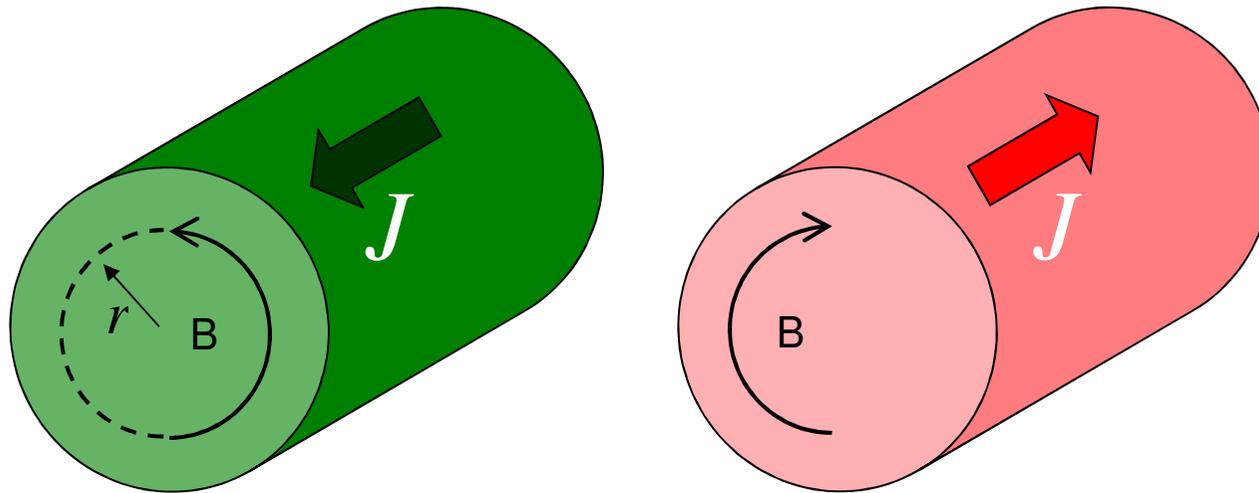
$$B = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r$$

A 2D vector diagram showing a position vector  $r$  at an angle  $\theta$  to the horizontal. A vector  $\vec{B}$  is shown at an angle  $\theta$  to the vertical. A small area element  $d\vec{s}$  is shown perpendicular to  $r$ . The components of the magnetic field are given by:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} B_x = -\frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r \sin \theta \\ B_y = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r \cos \theta \end{array} \right.$$

# Dipole field inside 2 conductors

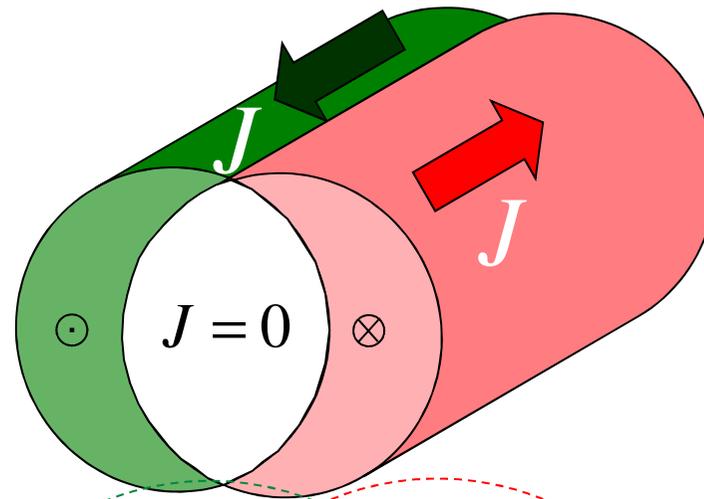
$J = \text{uniform current density}$



# Dipole field inside 2 conductors

$J$  = uniform current density

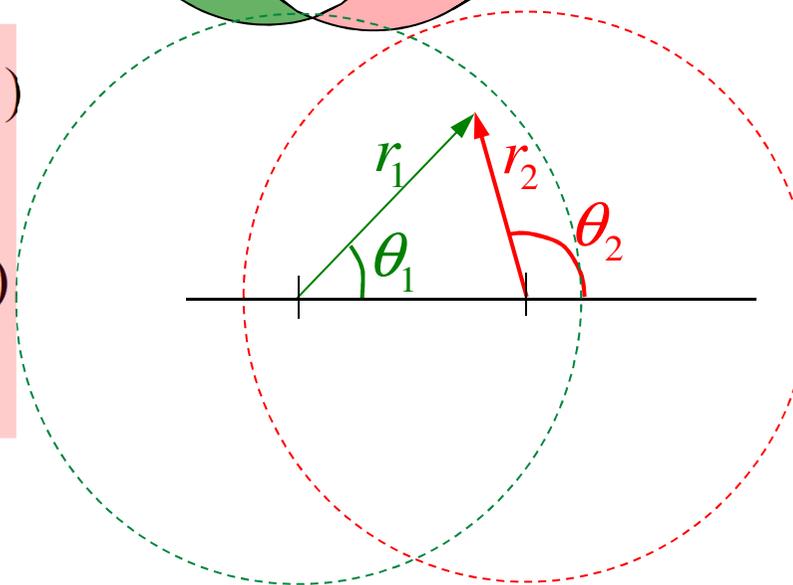
one conductor: 
$$\begin{cases} B_x = -\frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r \sin \theta \\ B_y = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r \cos \theta \end{cases}$$



superposition:

$$B_x = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} (-r_1 \sin \theta_1 + r_2 \sin \theta_2)$$

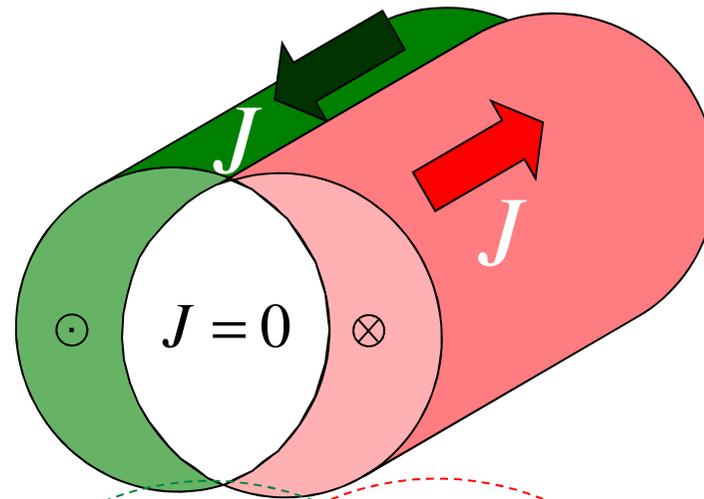
$$B_y = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} (r_1 \cos \theta_1 - r_2 \cos \theta_2)$$



# Dipole field inside 2 conductors

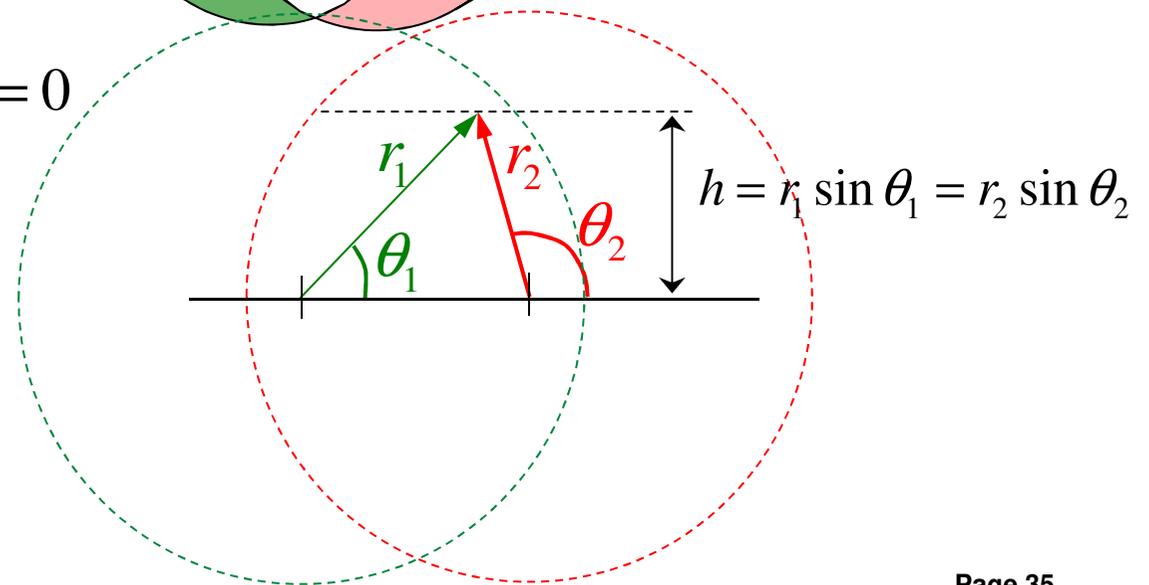
$J$  = uniform current density

one conductor: 
$$\begin{cases} B_x = -\frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r \sin \theta \\ B_y = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r \cos \theta \end{cases}$$



$$B_x = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} (-r_1 \sin \theta_1 + r_2 \sin \theta_2) = 0$$

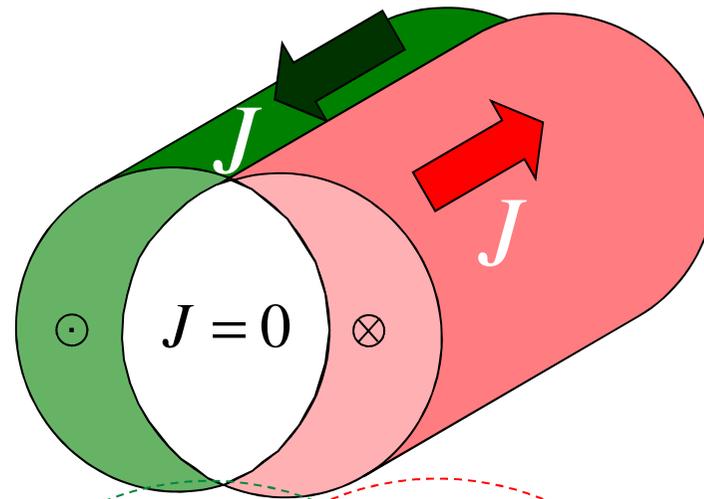
$$B_y = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} (r_1 \cos \theta_1 - r_2 \cos \theta_2)$$



# Dipole field inside 2 conductors

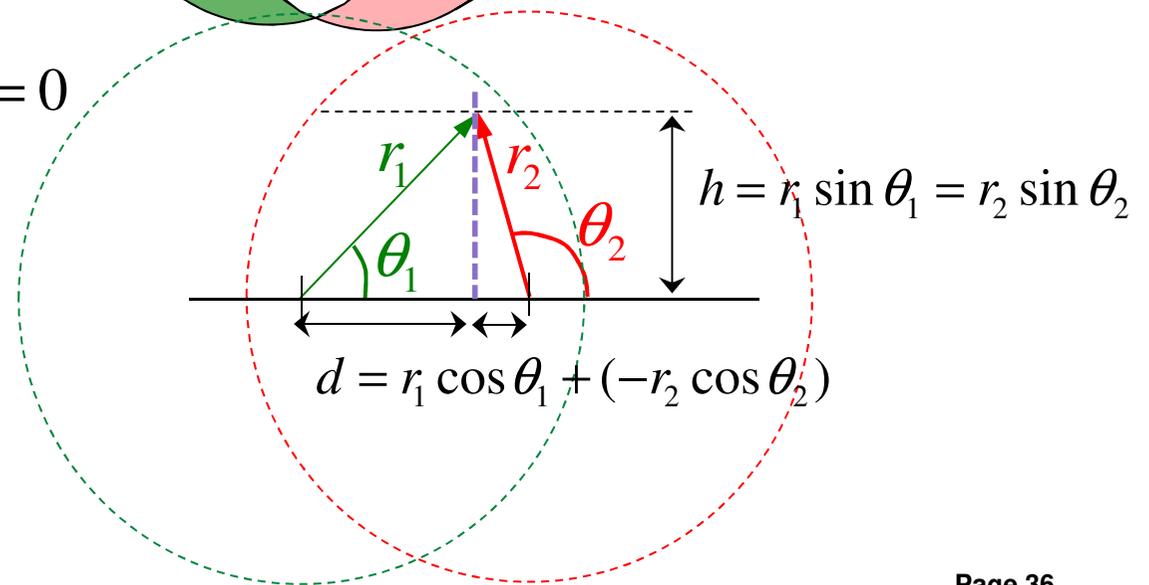
$J$  = uniform current density

one conductor: 
$$\begin{cases} B_x = -\frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r \sin \theta \\ B_y = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r \cos \theta \end{cases}$$



$$B_x = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} (-r_1 \sin \theta_1 + r_2 \sin \theta_2) = 0$$

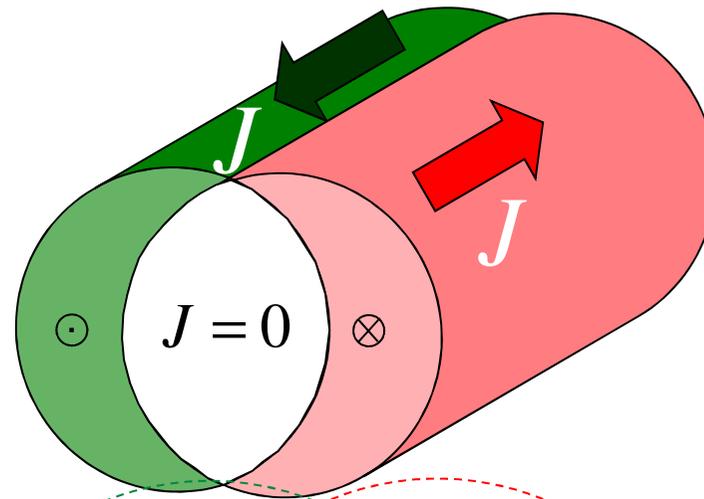
$$B_y = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} (r_1 \cos \theta_1 - r_2 \cos \theta_2)$$



# Dipole field inside 2 conductors

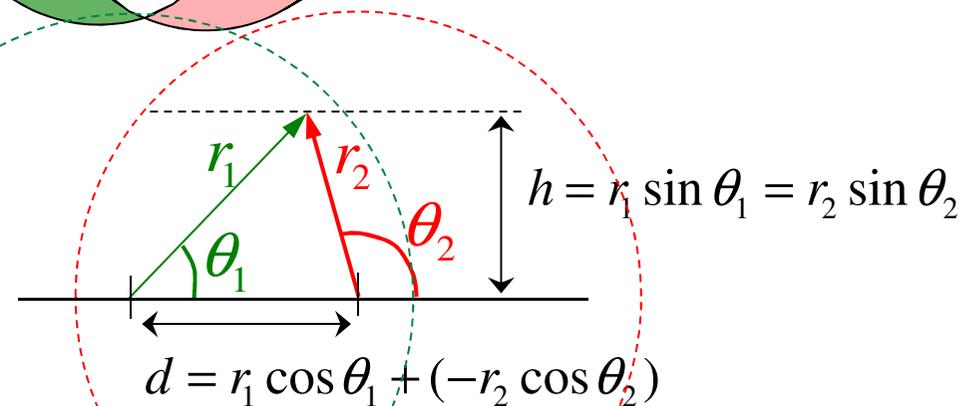
$J$  = uniform current density

one conductor: 
$$\begin{cases} B_x = -\frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r \sin \theta \\ B_y = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} r \cos \theta \end{cases}$$

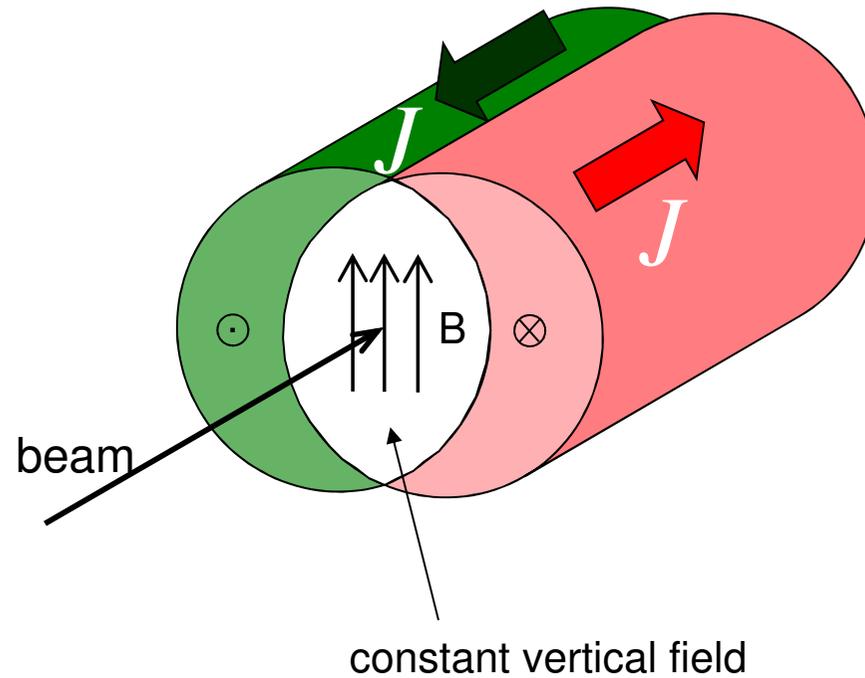


$$B_x = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} (-r_1 \sin \theta_1 + r_2 \sin \theta_2) = 0$$

$$B_y = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} (r_1 \cos \theta_1 - r_2 \cos \theta_2) = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} d$$

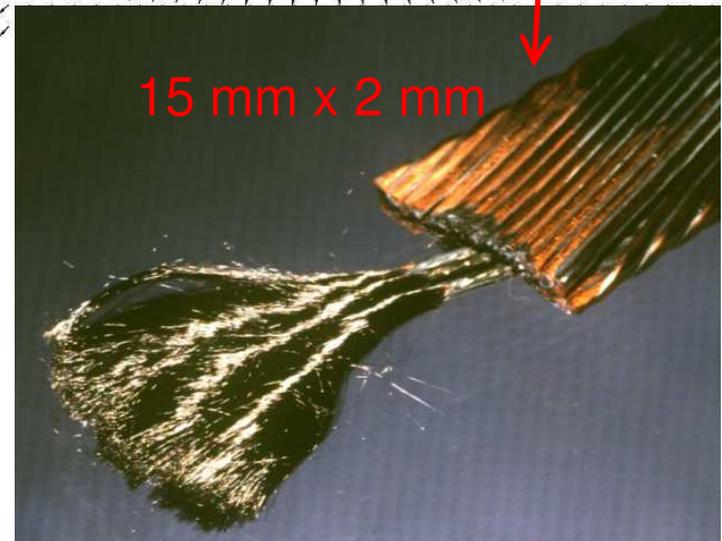
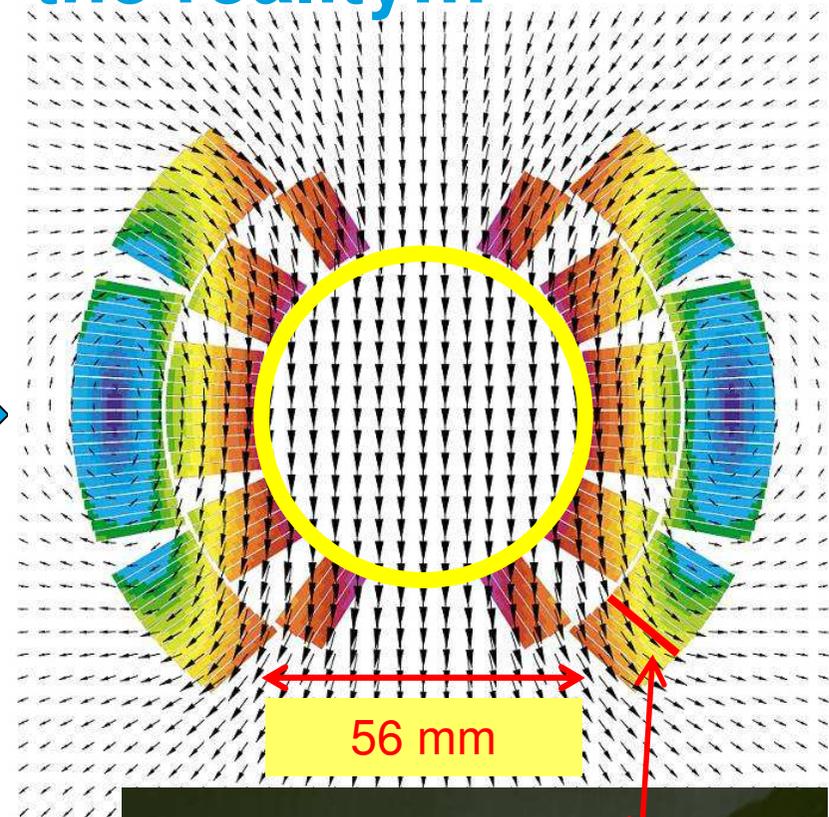
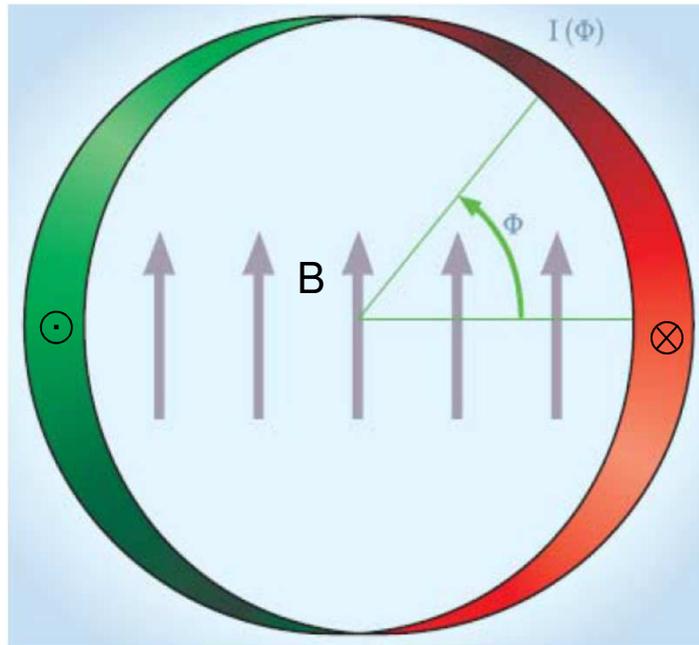


# Dipole field inside 2 conductors

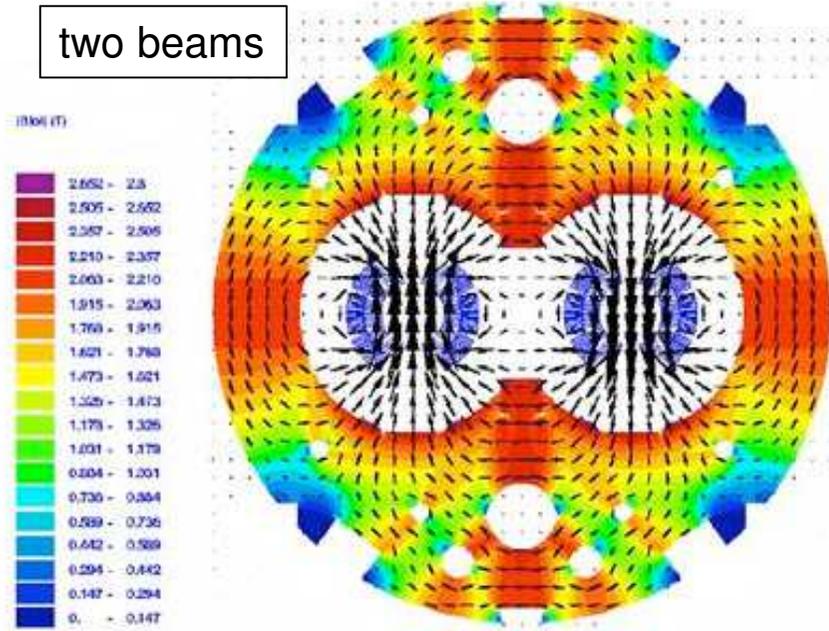
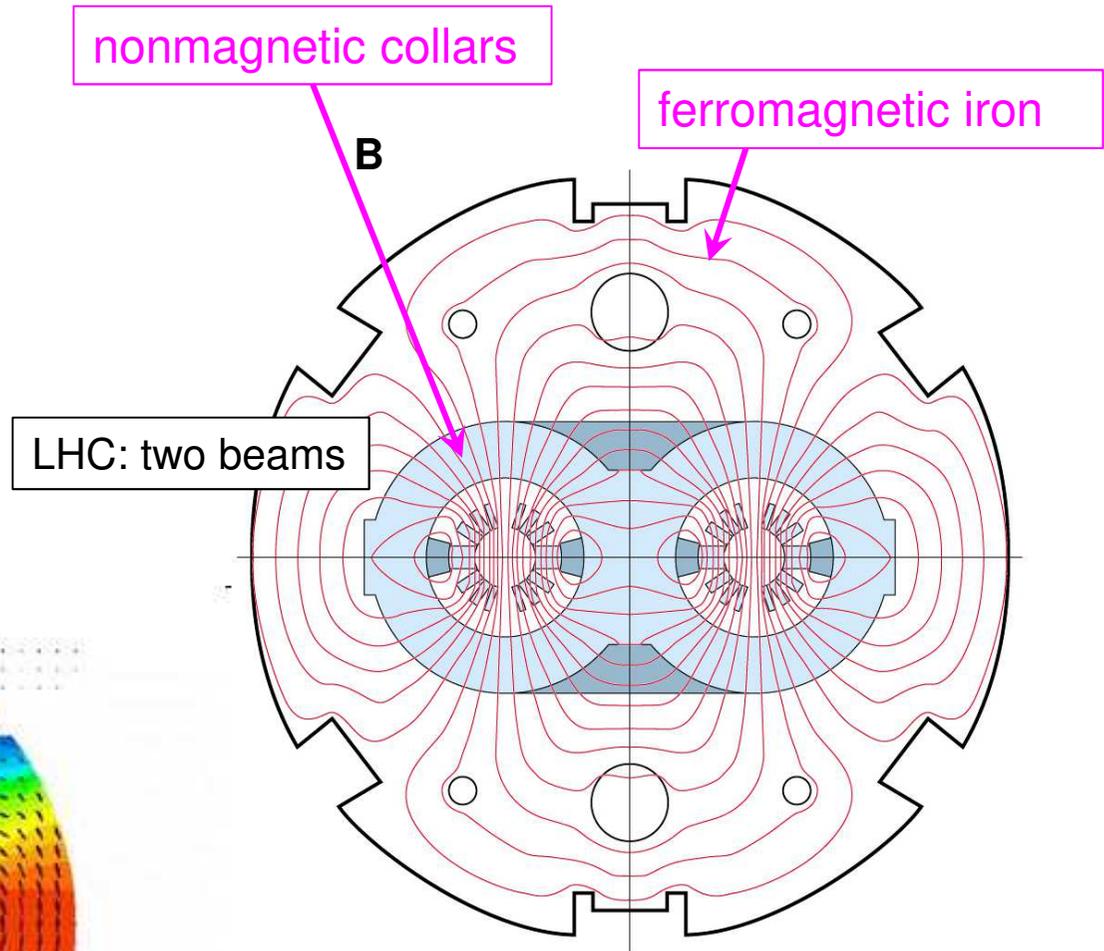
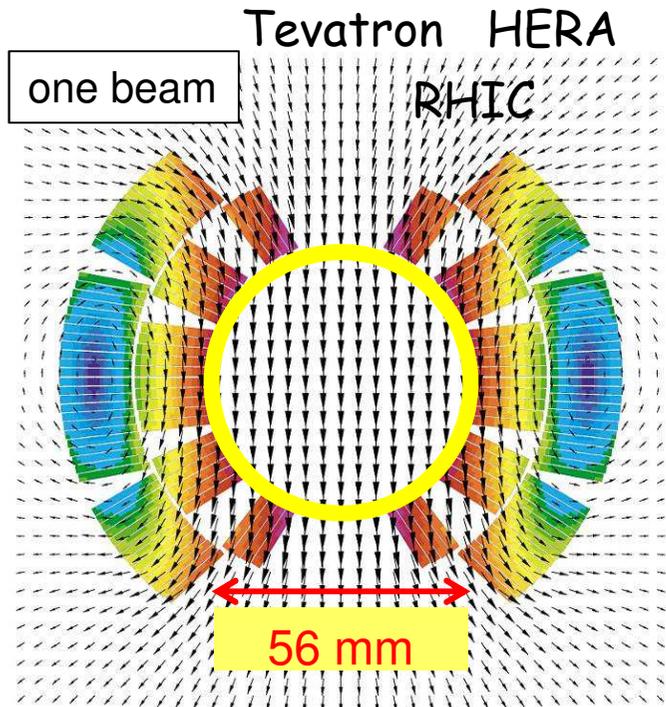


$$B_y = \frac{\mu_0 J}{2} d$$

# From the principle ... to the reality...

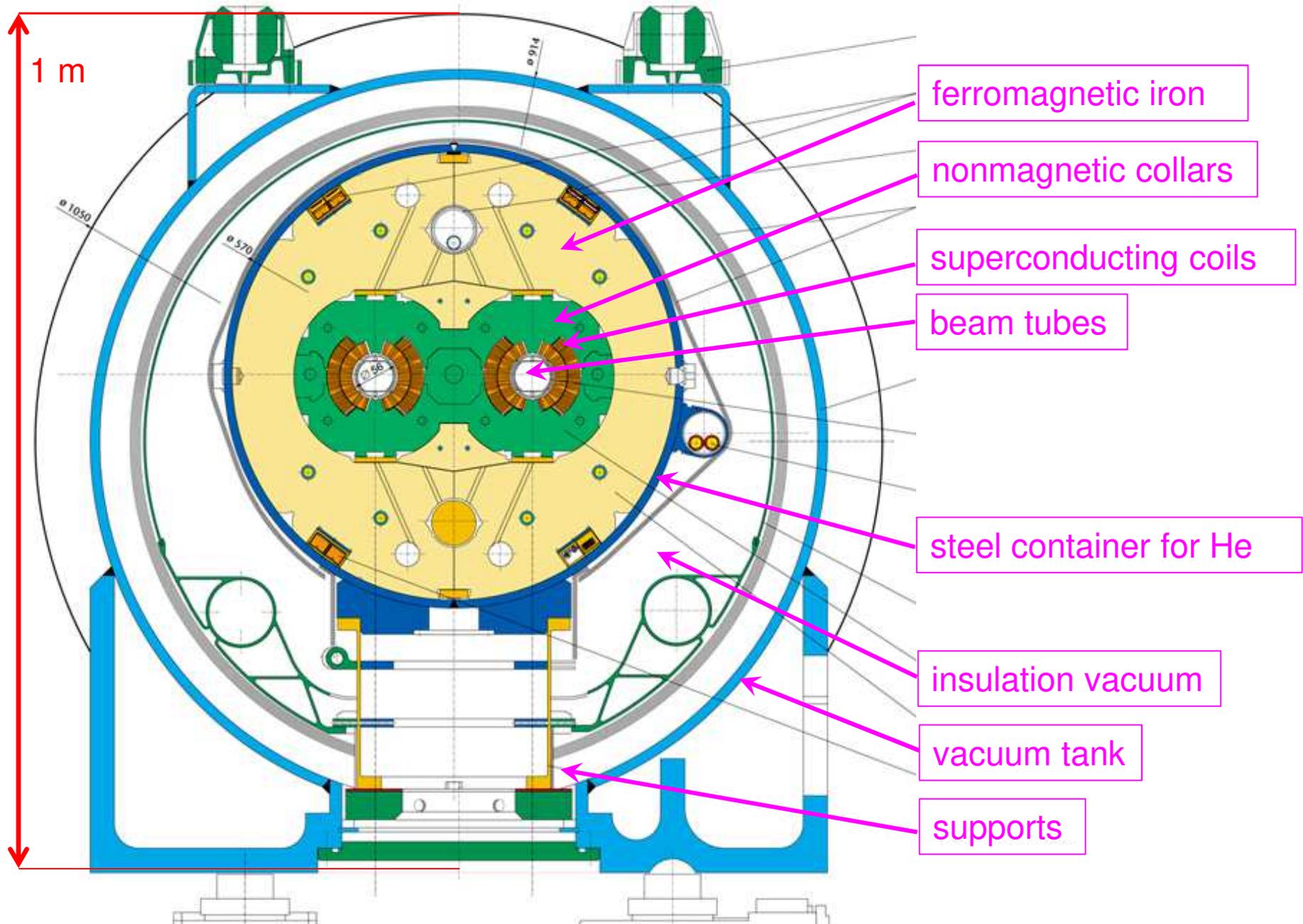


# Computed magnetic field



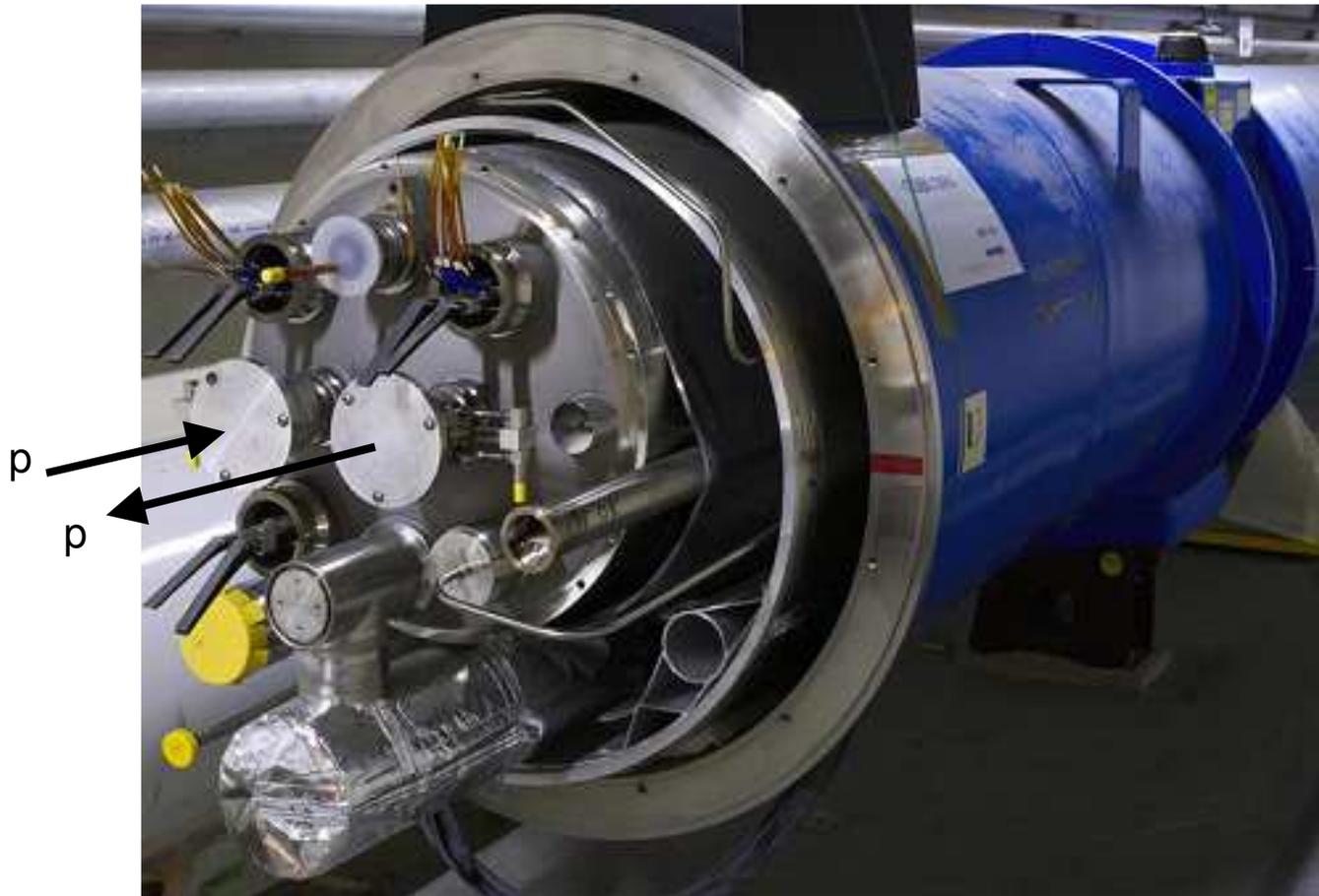
Computed magnetic flux map

# LHC DIPOLE : STANDARD CROSS-SECTION



# Superconducting dipole magnets

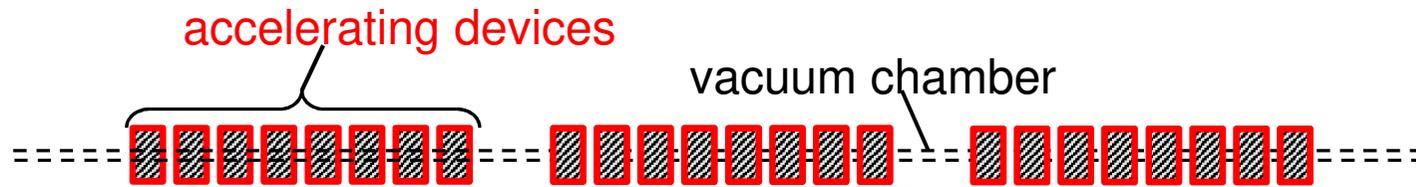
LHC dipole magnet interconnection:



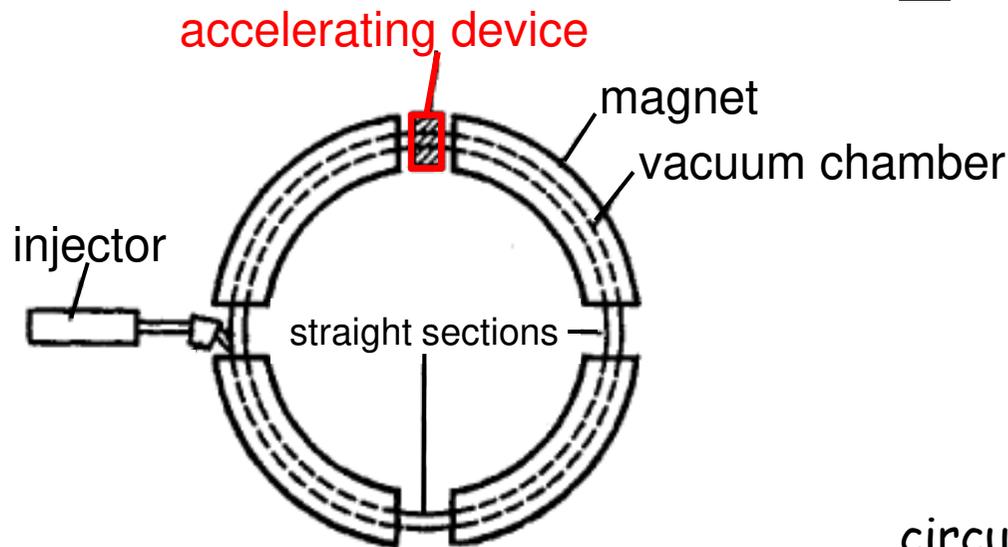
## Key components and their challenges to reach high energies: Dipole magnetic fields

- ✓ field quality
- ✓ energy scalable: with current
- ✓ very high magnetic fields: using superconducting magnets (8.3 T at LHC)

# Key components and their challenges to reach high energies: Acceleration of beams using radio-frequency electromagnetic fields



linear accelerator (linac)



circular accelerator: synchrotron

# Motion in electric and magnetic fields

Equation of motion under Lorentz Force

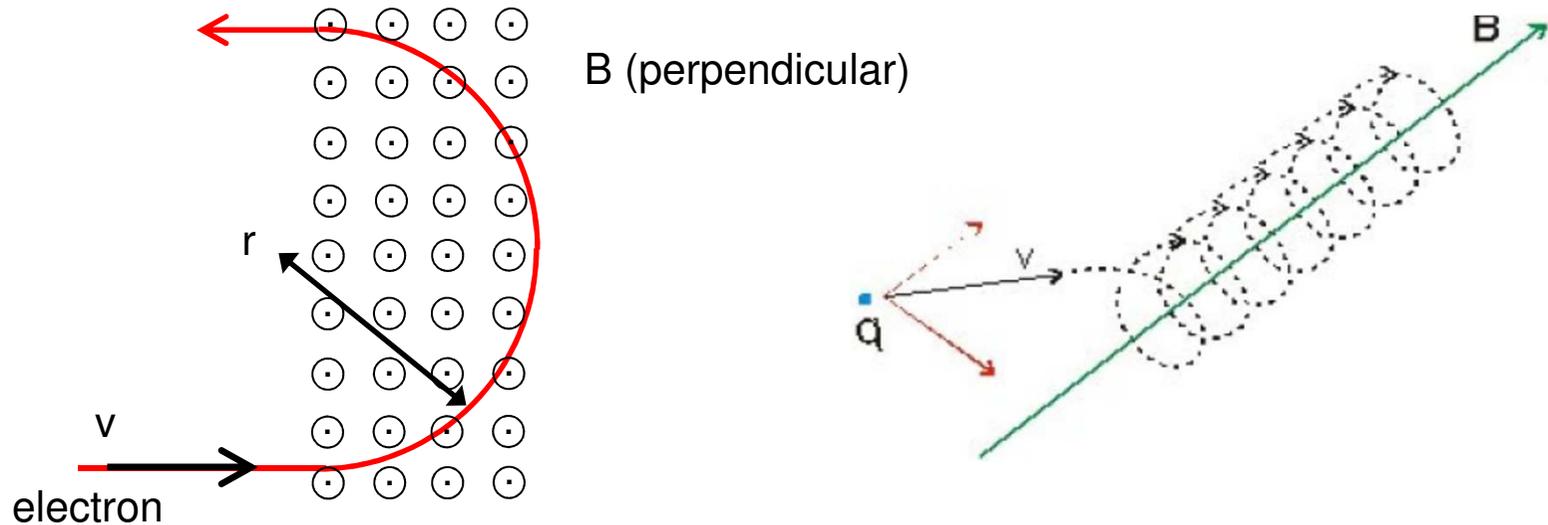
$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = \vec{F} = q (\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

The diagram shows the Lorentz force equation with arrows pointing from text labels to the corresponding terms in the equation. A bracket under the first three terms is labeled 'of the particle'. The labels are: 'momentum' (pointing to  $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$ ), 'charge' (pointing to  $q$ ), 'velocity' (pointing to  $\vec{v}$ ), 'electric field' (pointing to  $\vec{E}$ ), and 'magnetic field' (pointing to  $\vec{B}$ ).

# Motion in magnetic fields

if the electric field is zero ( $\vec{E} = 0$ ), then

$$\vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \quad \rightarrow \quad \vec{F} \perp \vec{v}$$



Magnetic fields do not change the particles energy

# Motion in magnetic fields

if the electric field is zero ( $E=0$ ), then

$$\vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

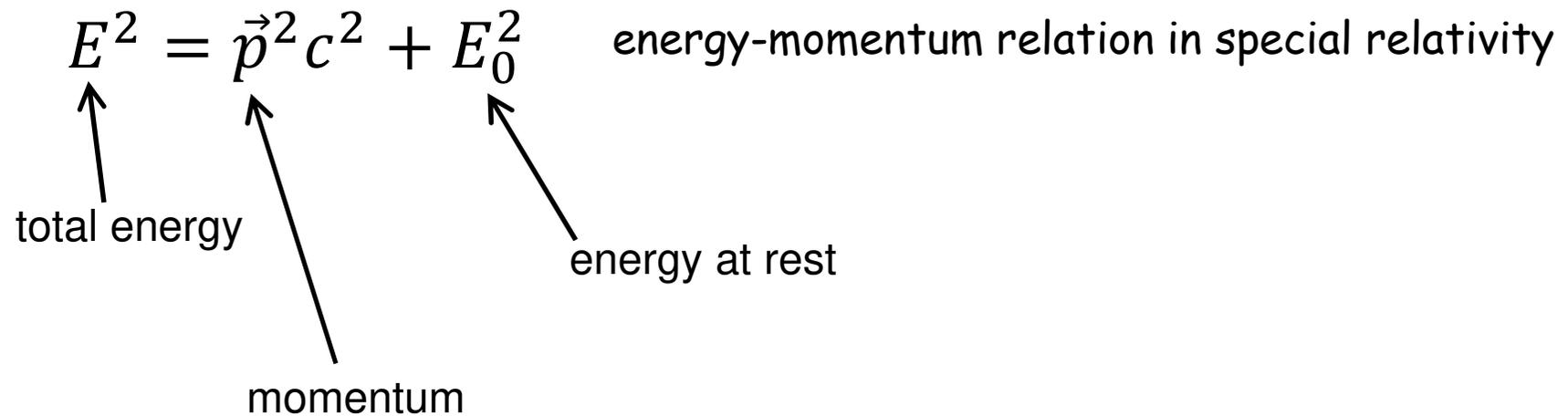
$$E^2 = \vec{p}^2 c^2 + E_0^2$$

energy-momentum relation in special relativity

total energy

momentum

energy at rest

The diagram shows the equation  $E^2 = \vec{p}^2 c^2 + E_0^2$  with three arrows pointing from labels below to terms in the equation. An arrow points from 'total energy' to  $E^2$ . Another arrow points from 'momentum' to  $\vec{p}^2$ . A third arrow points from 'energy at rest' to  $E_0^2$ . The text 'energy-momentum relation in special relativity' is placed to the right of the equation.

# Motion in magnetic fields

if the electric field is zero ( $E=0$ ), then

$$\vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q \cdot \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

$$E^2 = \vec{p}^2 c^2 + E_0^2$$

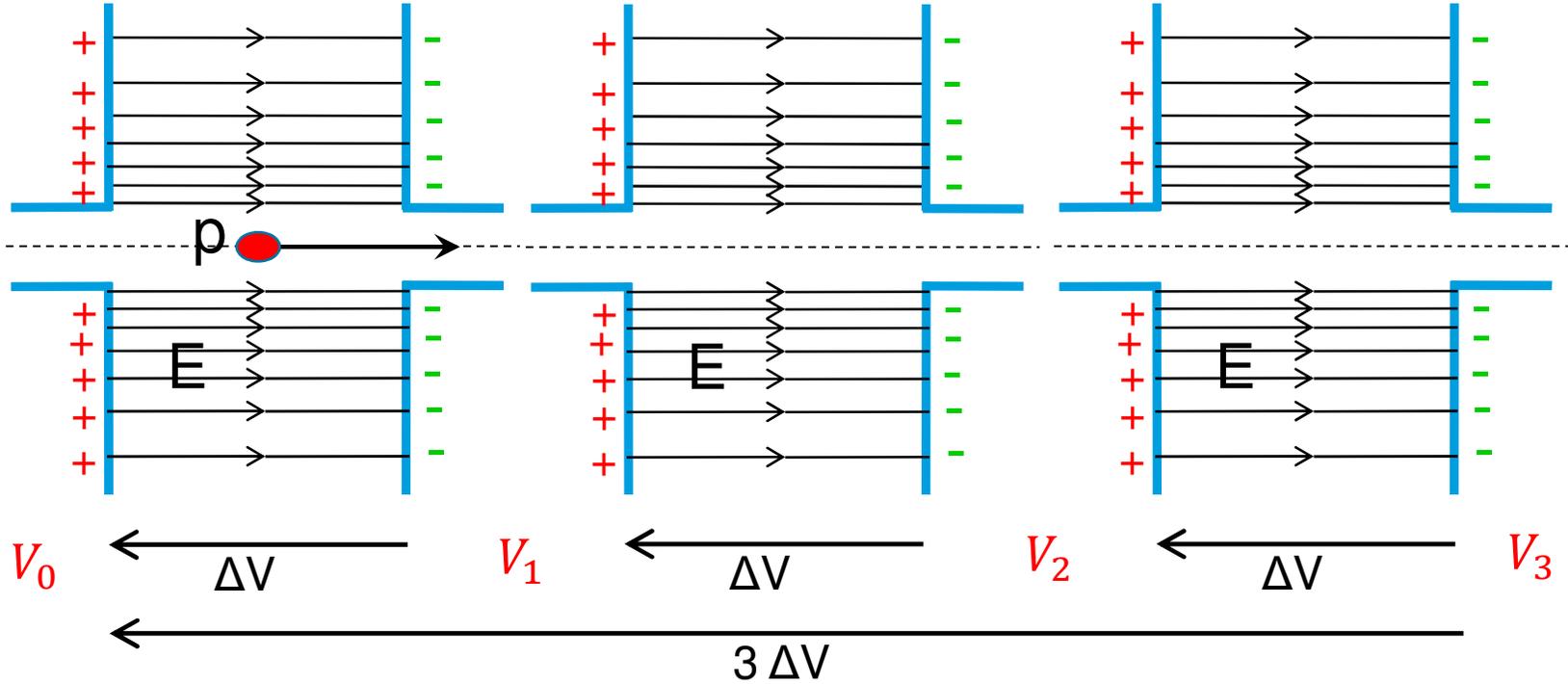

$$E \frac{dE}{dt} = c^2 \vec{p} \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = c^2 q \vec{p} (\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) = c^2 q |\vec{p}| |\vec{v} \times \vec{B}| \cos \phi = 0$$

since  $\vec{v} \times \vec{B} \perp \vec{v} \rightarrow \phi = 90^\circ$



Magnetic fields do not change the particles energy, only electric fields do !

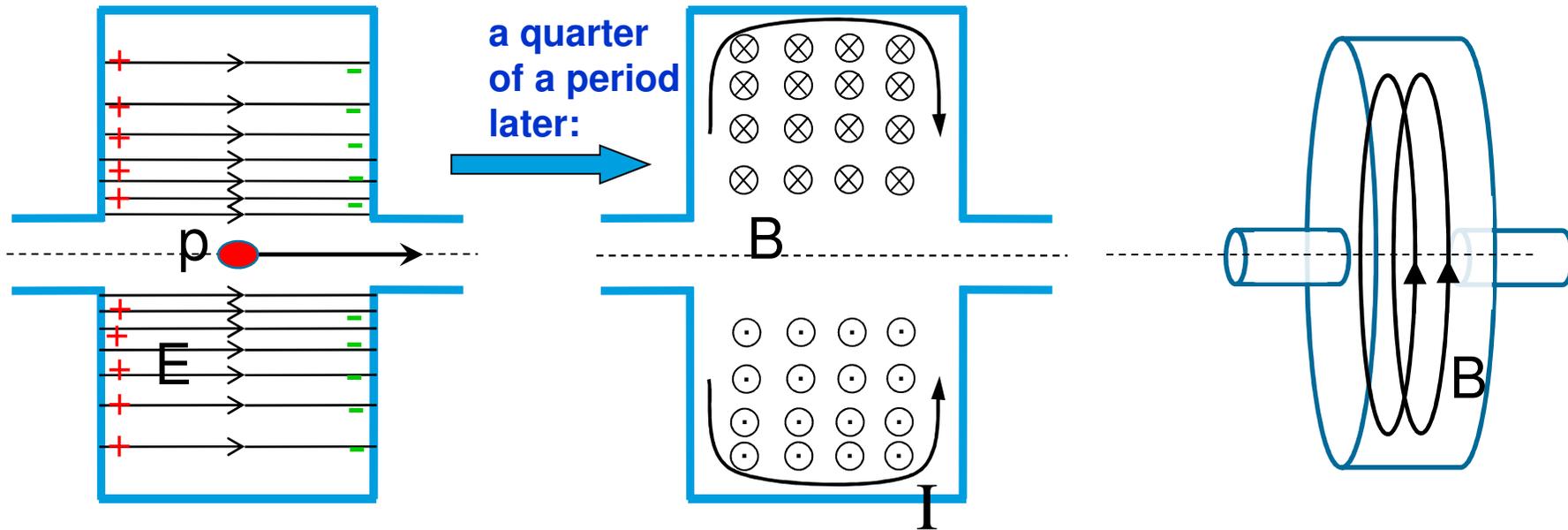
# acceleration with DC electric fields



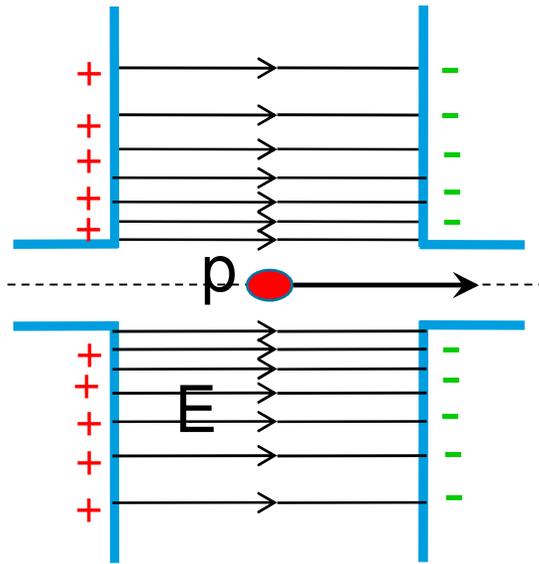
## In general:

- Static magnetic fields → to guide (bend + focus) particle beams
- Static electric fields → accelerate particle beams (low energy)
- Radio-frequency EM fields → accelerate particle beams (high E)

# RF cavity basics: the pill box cavity

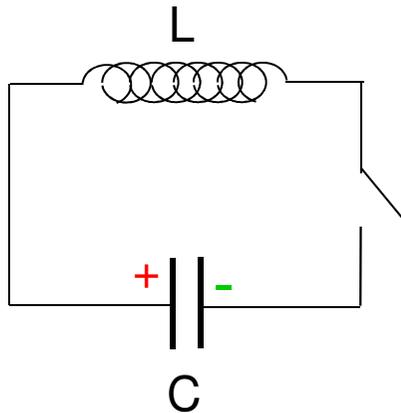


# RF cavity basics: the pill box cavity

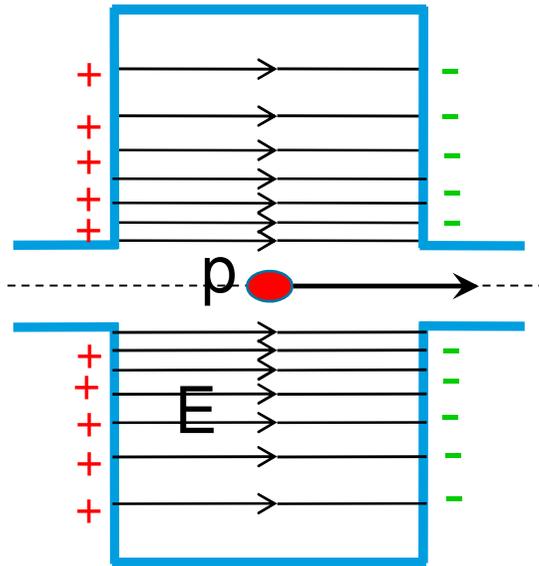


---

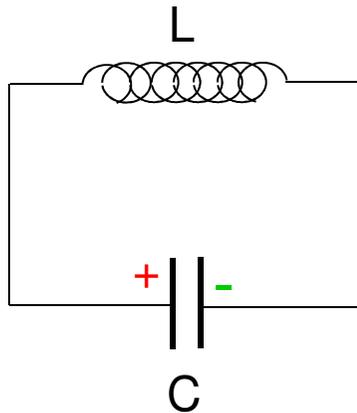
LC circuit (or resonant circuit) analogy:



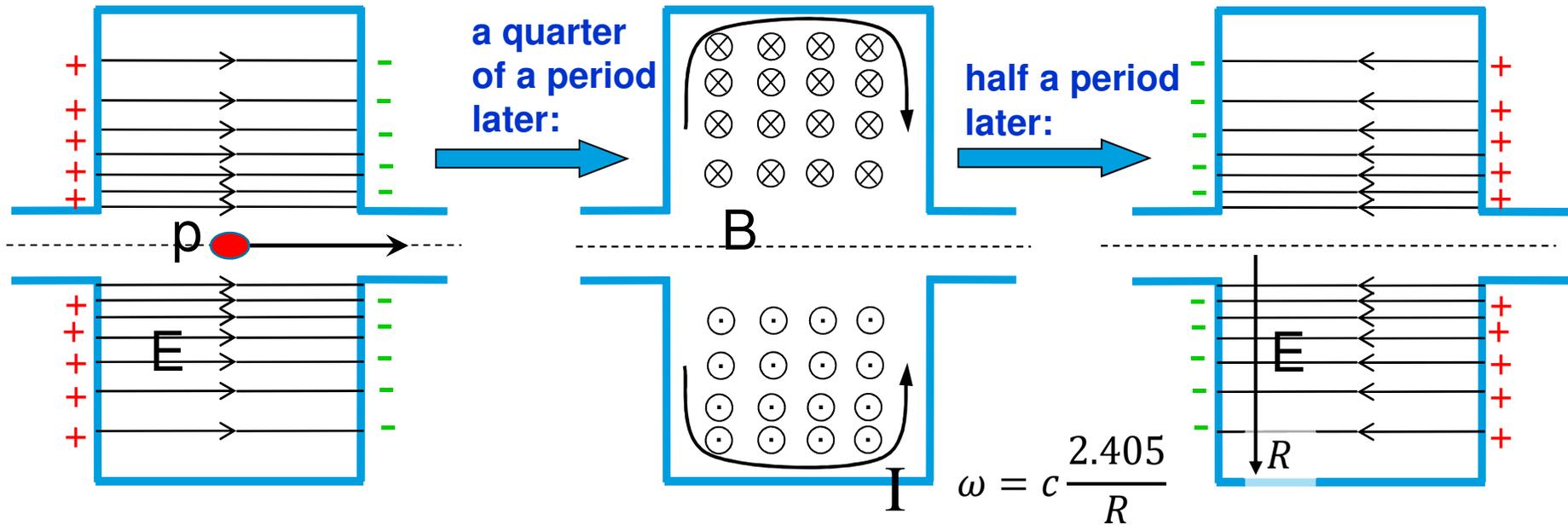
# RF cavity basics: the pill box cavity



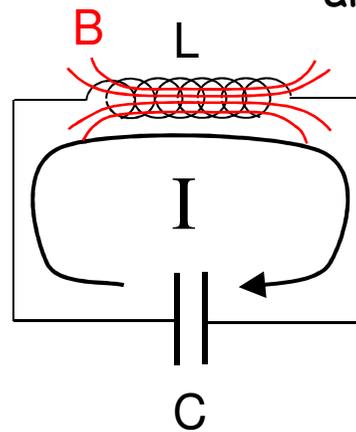
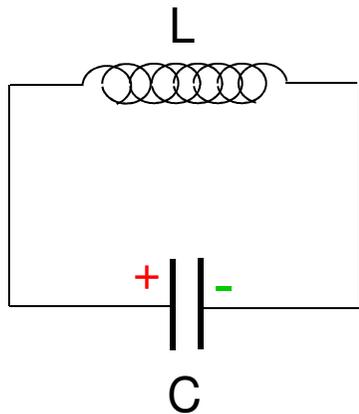
LC circuit (or resonant circuit) analogy:



# RF cavity basics: the pill box cavity

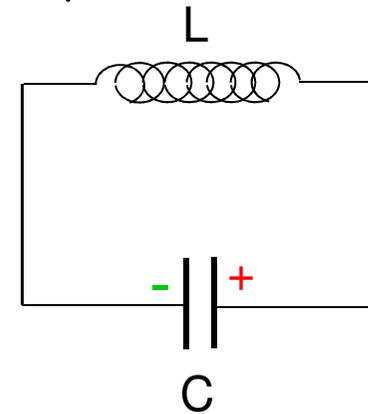


LC circuit (or resonant circuit) analogy:



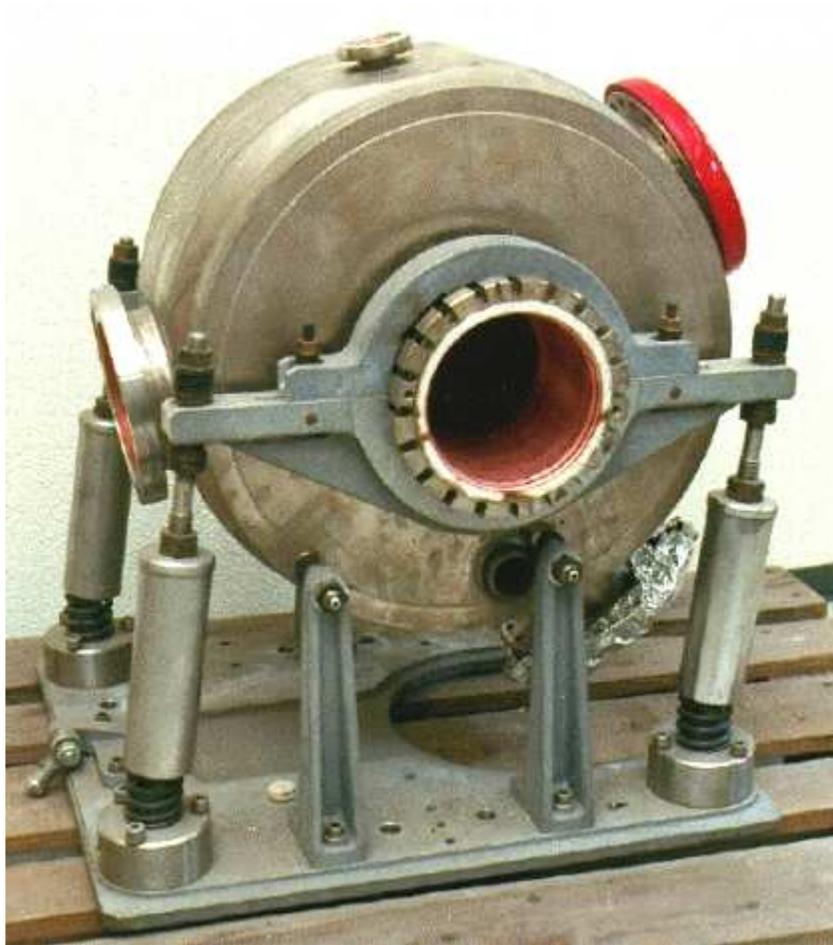
angular frequency:

$$\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$



## Examples of pill box cavities

DESY cavity (pill box)



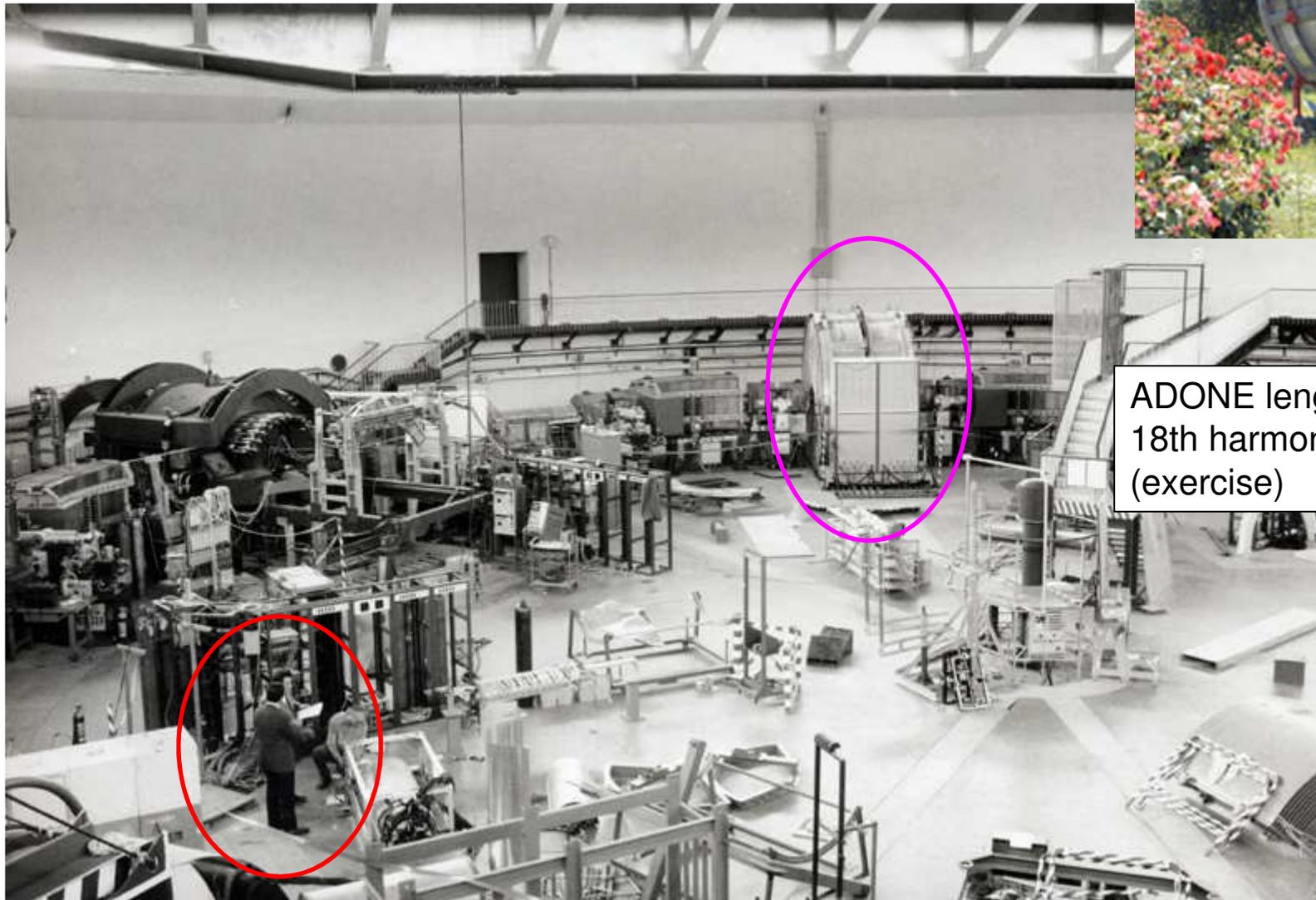
ADONE cavity 51 MHz (pill box)  
Frascati lab, Italy



# Examples of pill box cavities

ADONE cavity 51 MHz (pill box)  
Frascati lab, Italy

ADONE in 1963, Laboratori Nazionali di Frascati, Italy



ADONE length = 105 m  
18th harmonic  
(exercise)

## Key components and their challenges to reach high energies: Acceleration of beams using radio-frequency electromagnetic fields

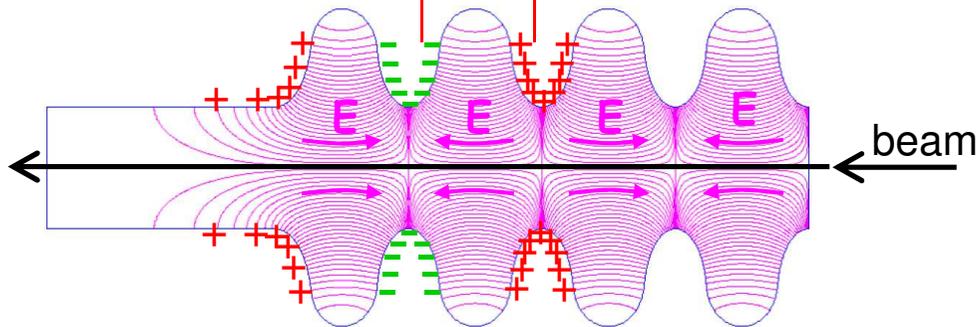
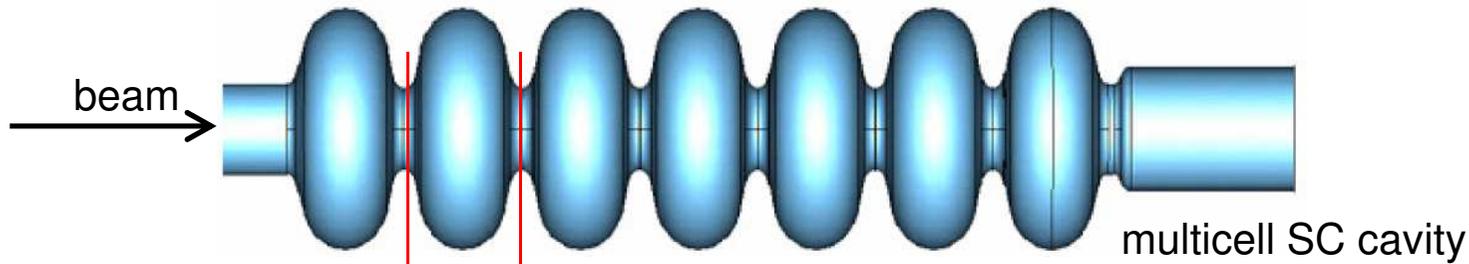
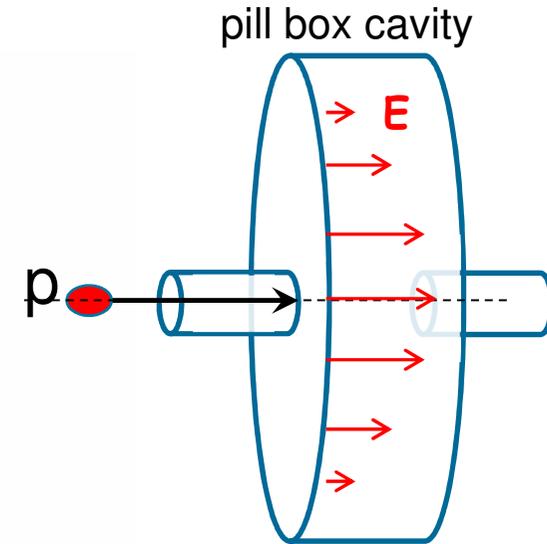
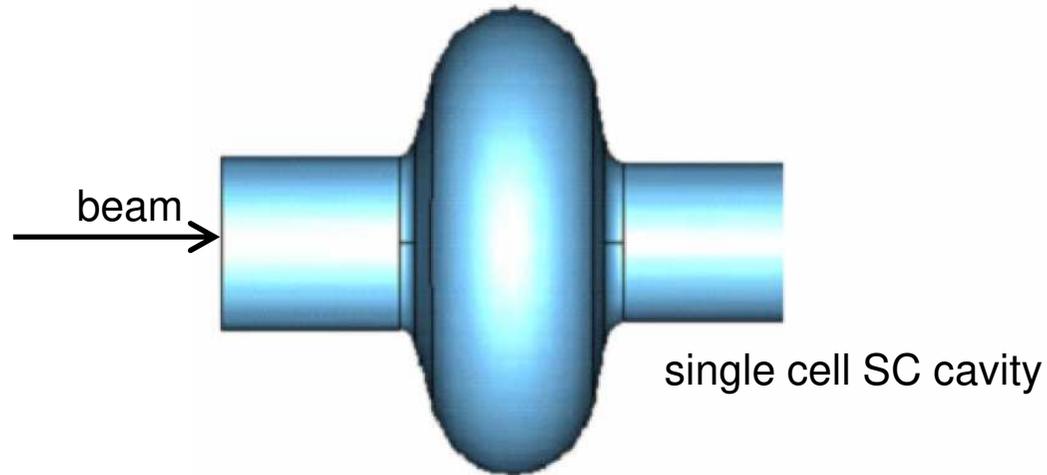
- ✓ high acceleration electric fields: up to 50-60 MV/m (normal conducting)
- low power efficiency: (wall-losses  $\propto E^2$ )

particle collider:                      need high number of collisions, events

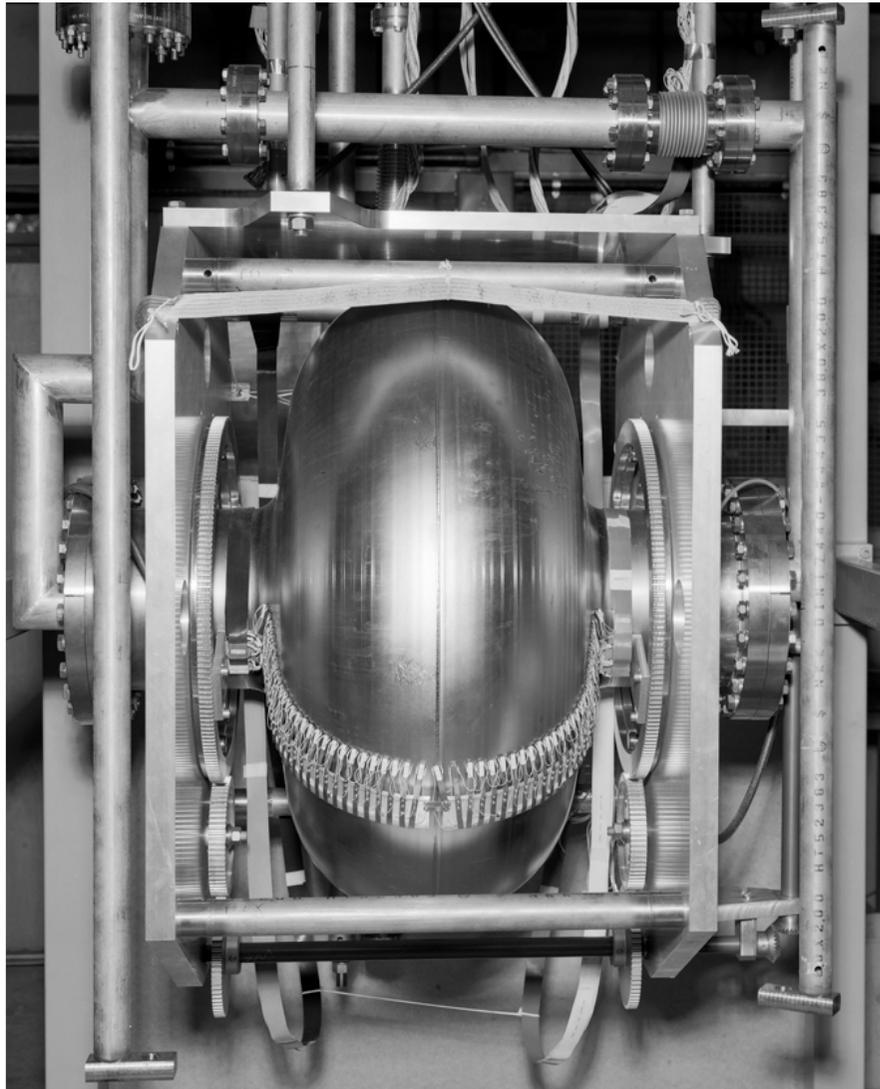
spallation neutron source:    need high number of protons

synchrotron light source:    need high number of photons

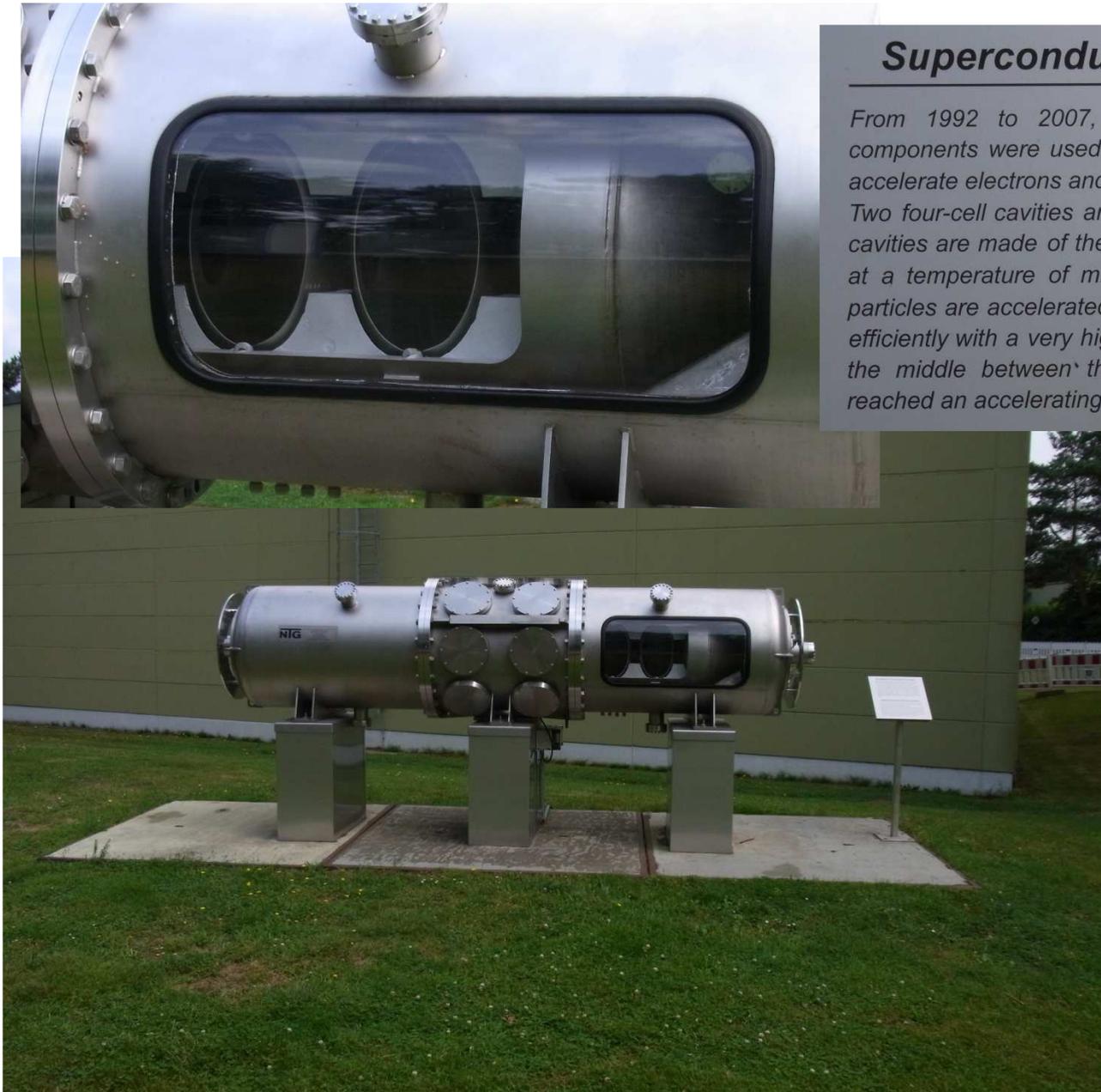
# Superconducting cavities



# Superconducting cavities at LEP



# Superconducting cavities at HERA

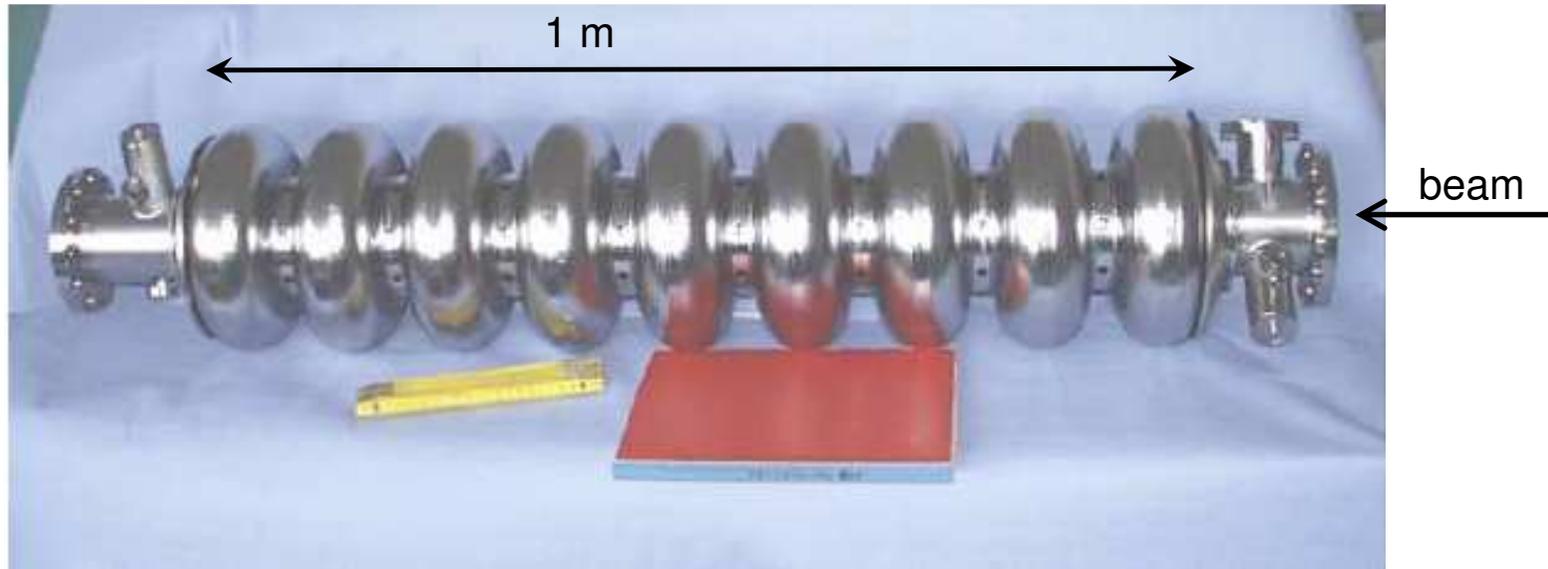


## ***Superconducting Particle Accelerator***

*From 1992 to 2007, eight of these superconducting accelerator components were used in the 6.3-kilometre long storage ring HERA to accelerate electrons and their antiparticles, positrons.*

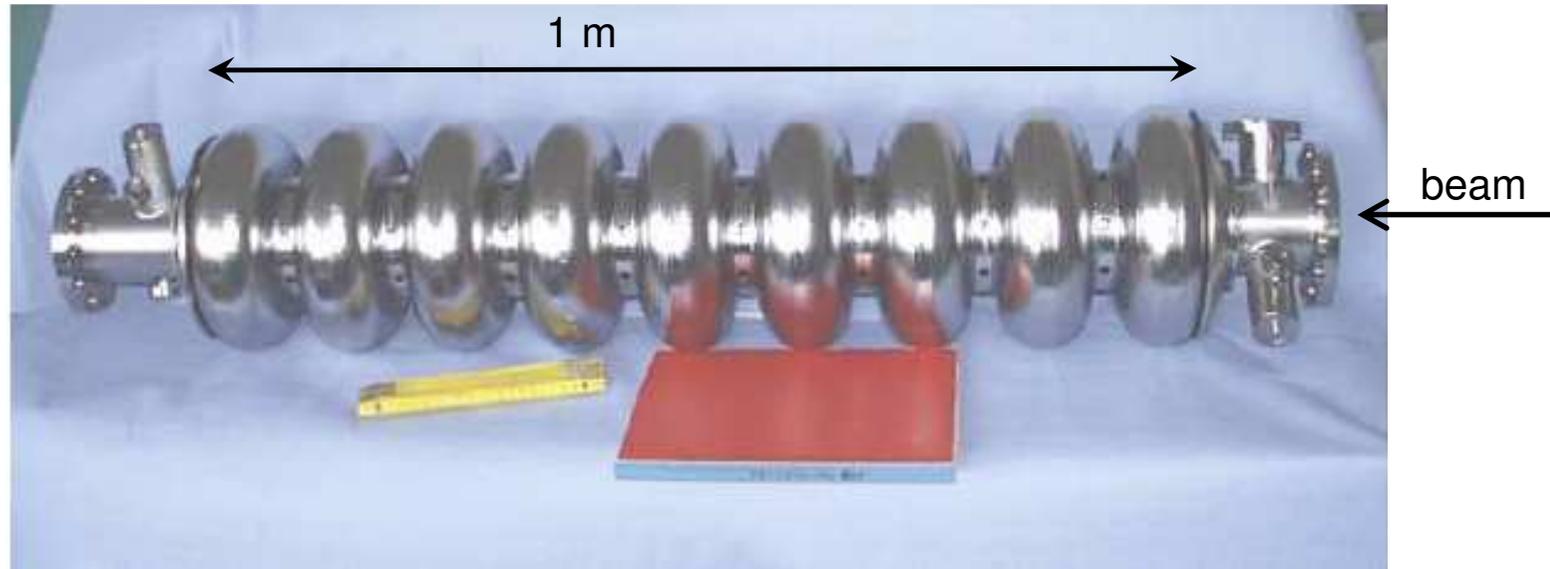
*Two four-cell cavities are arranged in one thermal vessel (cryostat). The cavities are made of the metal niobium which becomes superconducting at a temperature of minus 269 degrees Celsius. At this temperature, particles are accelerated almost without electric resistance and thus very efficiently with a very high electric alternating voltage which is injected in the middle between the cavities. During HERA operation, this cavity reached an accelerating gradient of 5 million volts per metre.*

# Superconducting cavity used at DESY



European <u>X</u> -ray <u>F</u> ree- <u>E</u> lectron <u>L</u> aser	3 km	DESY	2016-	?	e-	17.5 GeV
<u>I</u> nternational <u>L</u> inear <u>C</u> ollider	30 km	?	?		e-/e+	2x250 GeV

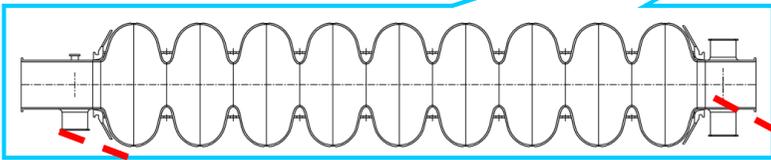
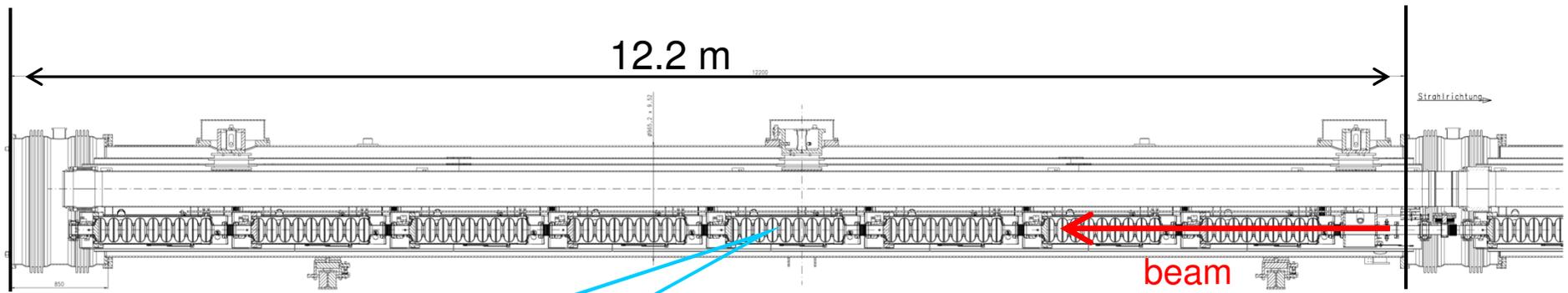
# Superconducting cavity used at DESY



material: pure Niobium

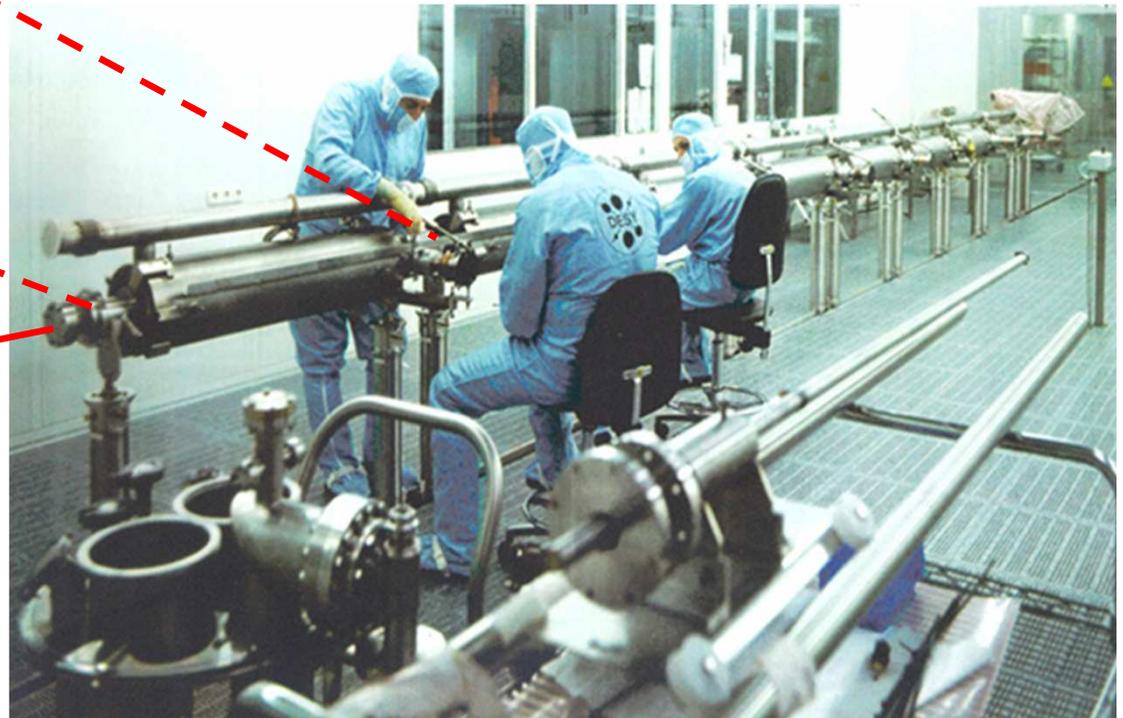
operating temperature: 2 K

accelerating field gradient: up to 35 MV/m



Number of cavities	8
Cavity length	1.038 m
Operating frequency	1.3 GHz
Operating temperature	2 K
Accelerating Gradient	23..35 MV/m

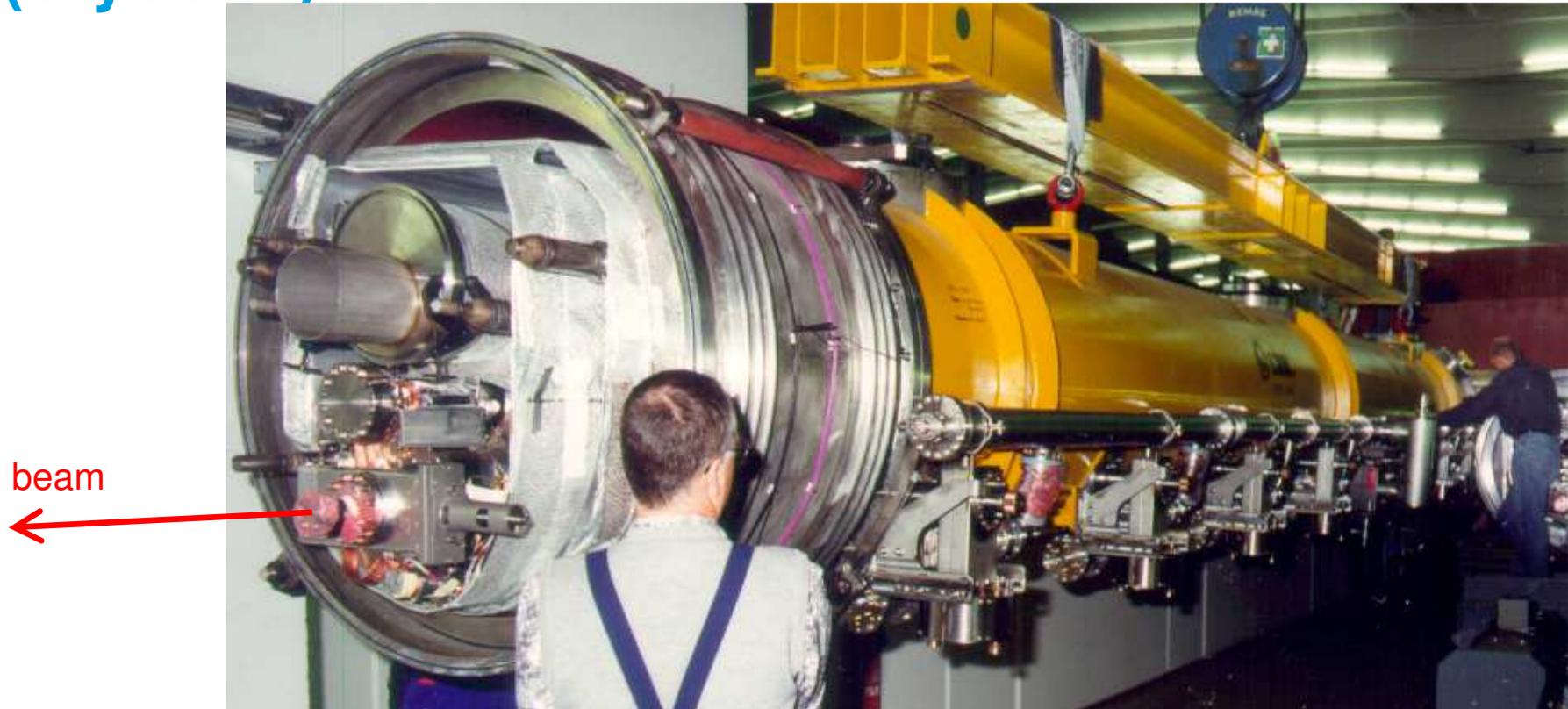
beam



# Cavities inside a cryostat



# Cavities inside an accelerator module (cryostat)



module installation

# Accelerators in Europe using superconducting cavities

- 5 de-commissioned
- 11 in operation
- 4 in construction
- 10 in design phase

Total = 30

synchrotrons (colliders): HERA, LEP, LHC, LHeC

synchrotrons (light sources): DIAMOND, ELETTRA, SLS, SOLEIL

FELs: LISA, ALICE, FLASH, LUNEX5, POLFEL

linear colliders: ILC

nuclear physics: ISOLDE, S-DALINAC, SPIRAL2, MYRRHA

spallation sources: ESS, EURISOL, TRASCO

full list: [https://tesla.desy.de/srf\\_accelerators](https://tesla.desy.de/srf_accelerators)

## Key components and their challenges to reach high energies: Acceleration of beams using radio-frequency electromagnetic fields

- ✓ high acceleration electric fields: up to 35-40 MV/m (superconducting)
- ✓ up to 50-60 MV/m (normal conducting)
- ✓ very high power efficiency: using superconducting cavities

Thank you for your attention

## Contact

**DESY.** Deutsches  
Elektronen-Synchrotron

[www.desy.de](http://www.desy.de)

Pedro Castro  
MPY  
[pedro.castro@desy.de](mailto:pedro.castro@desy.de)