

Overview on GSI

Heavy Ion Accelerator Facility

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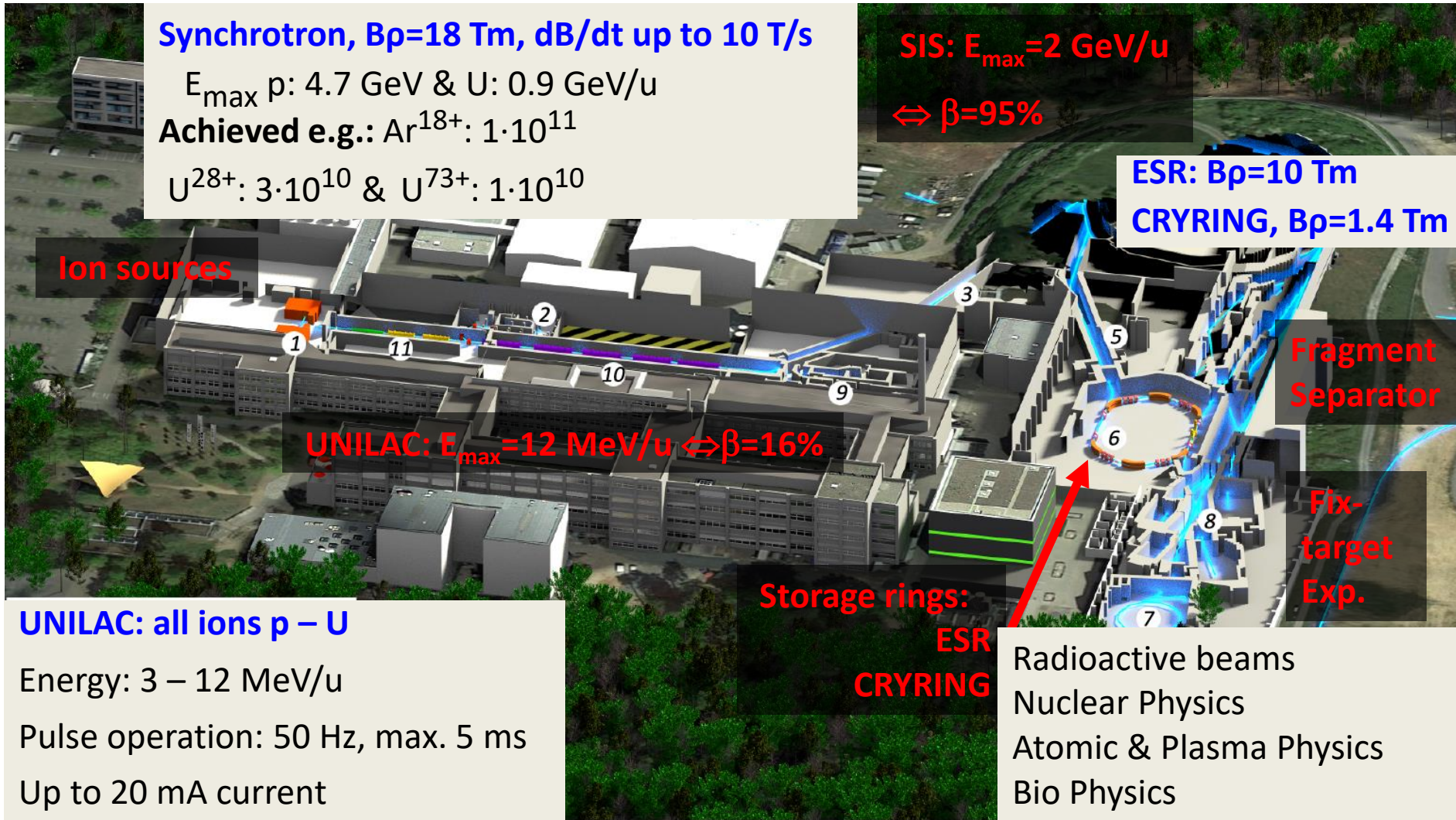


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and freedom

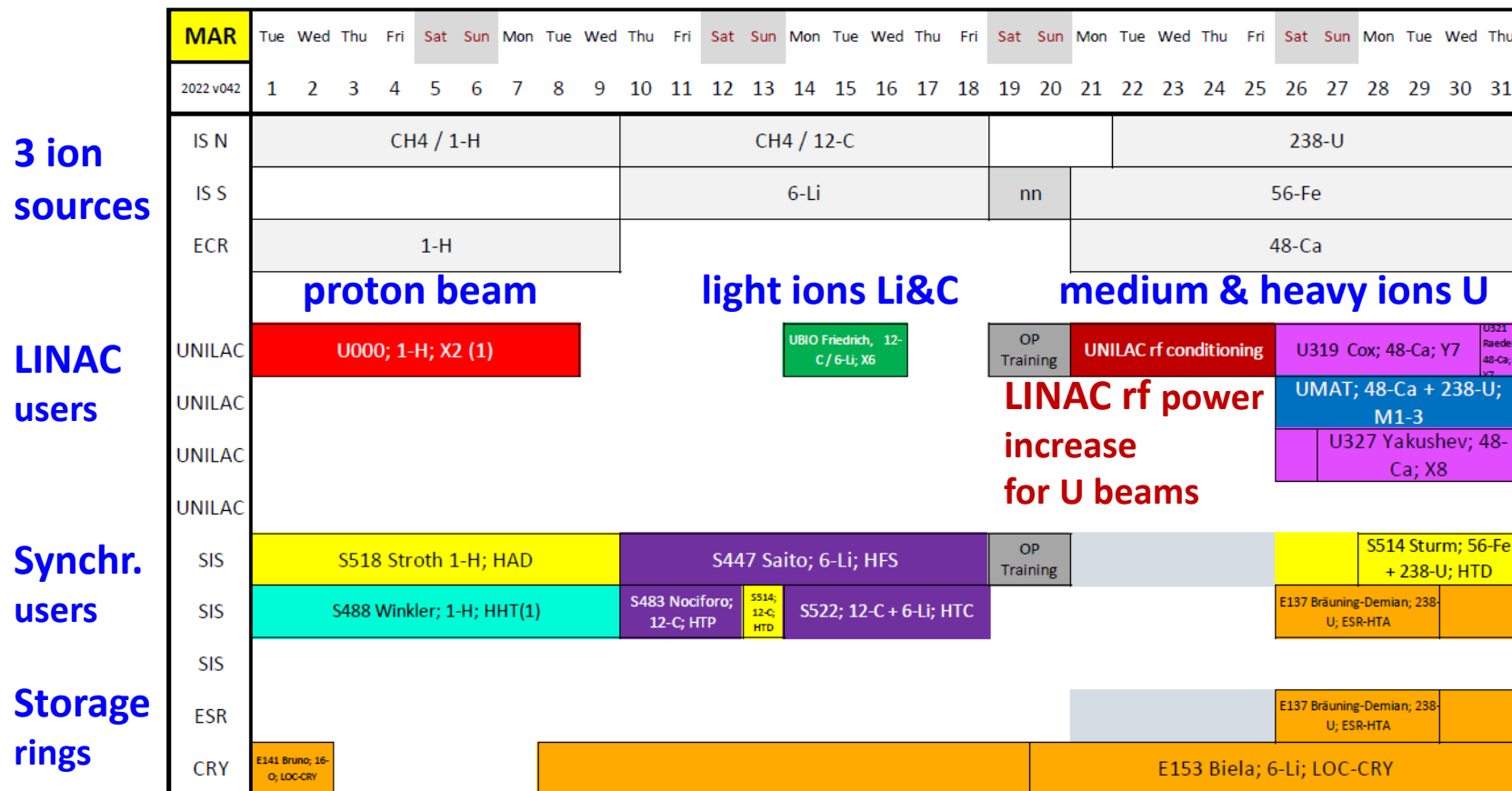


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with Ukraine

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Beam Time Schedule Feb.-June 2022: Exemplarily for March



(1) only if parallel operation possible /// (2) only block mode

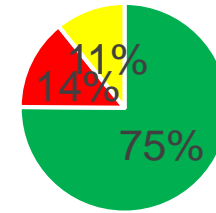
LINAC beam current in front of synchrotron

| Ion | H | Li | C | O | Ar | Fe | Ni | Au | Pb | Bi | U |
|--------------|---|-------|-------|---|----|------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-----|
| Current [mA] | 1 | 0.005 | 0.045 | 1 | 3 | 0.05 | 0.025 | 0.025 | 0.5 | 0.015 | 0.5 |

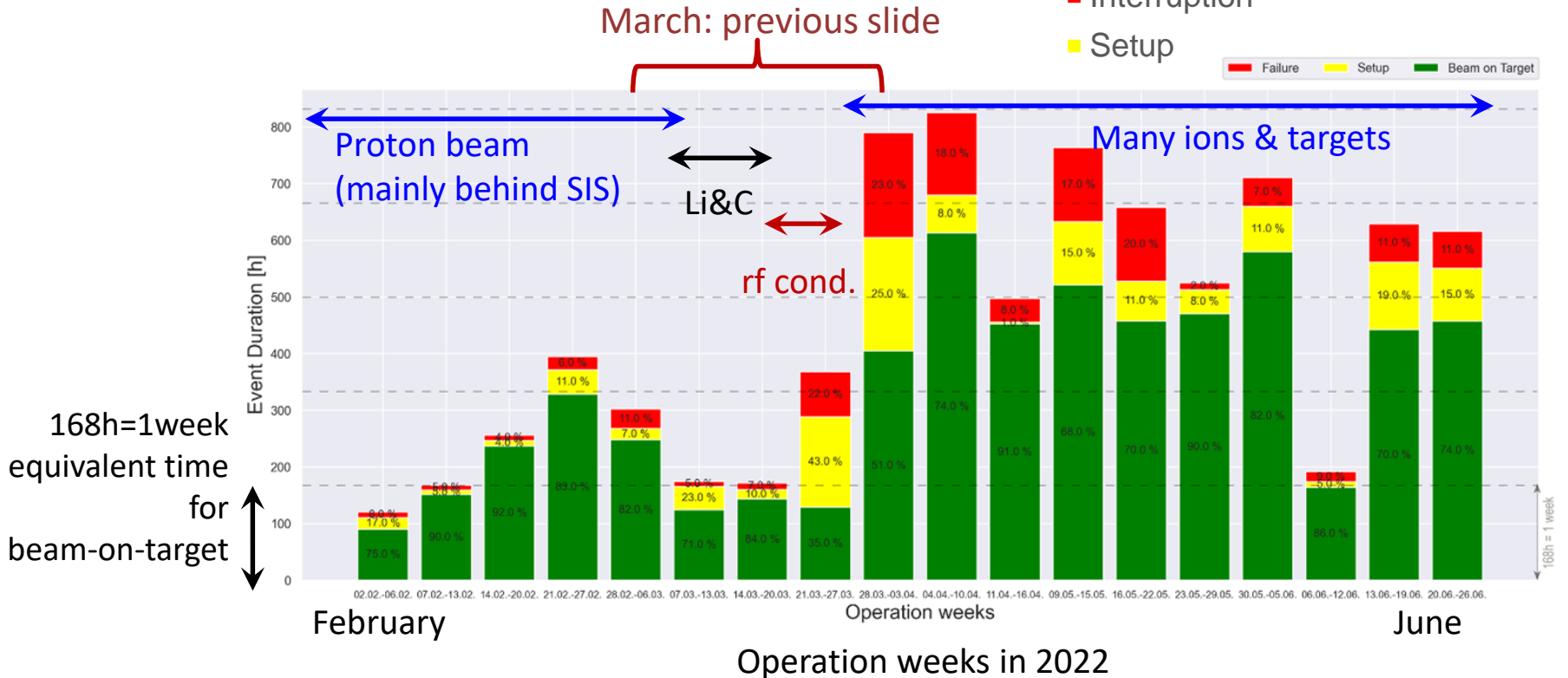
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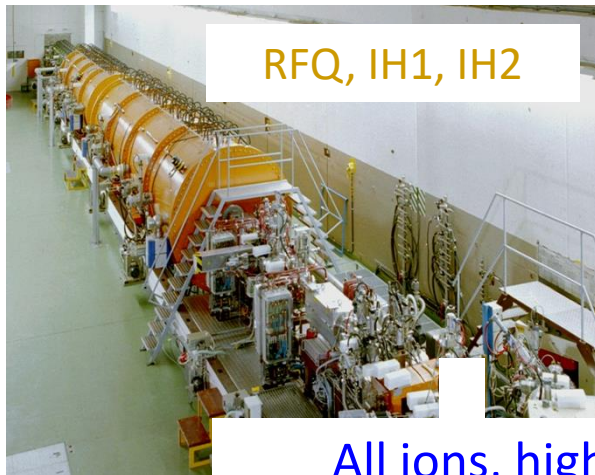
- LINAC with 50 Hz pulsing, max. pulse length 5 ms
- ‘parallel’ operation, i.e. each LINAC pulse can have different source and target
- Synch SIS18 is filled by LINAC, typical cycle time ≈ 3 s
- Storage ring might have hours storage times

Beamtime 2022



- Beam on Target
- Interruption
- Setup





RFQ, IH1, IH2

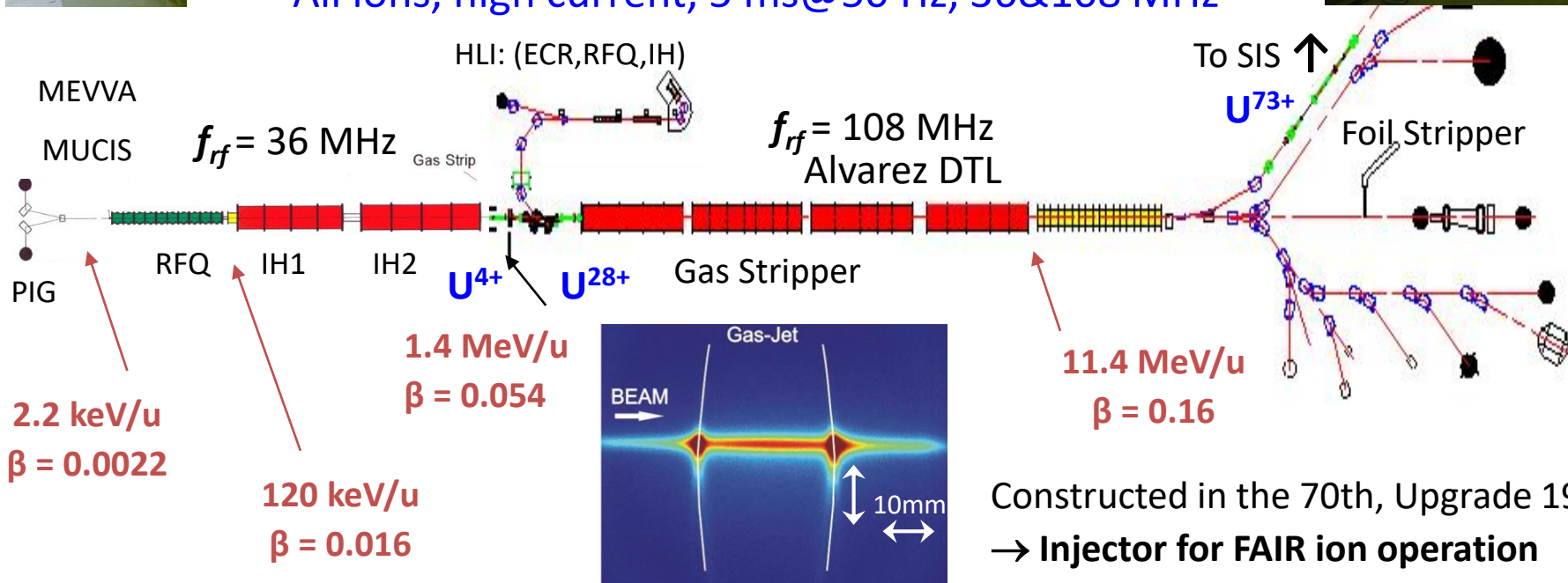


Alvarez DTL



Single Gap Resonators

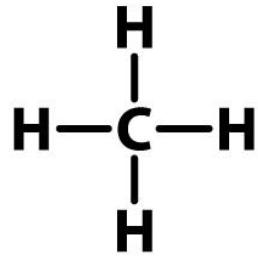
All ions, high current, 5 ms@50 Hz, 36&108 MHz



Proton Generation by molecular Ions

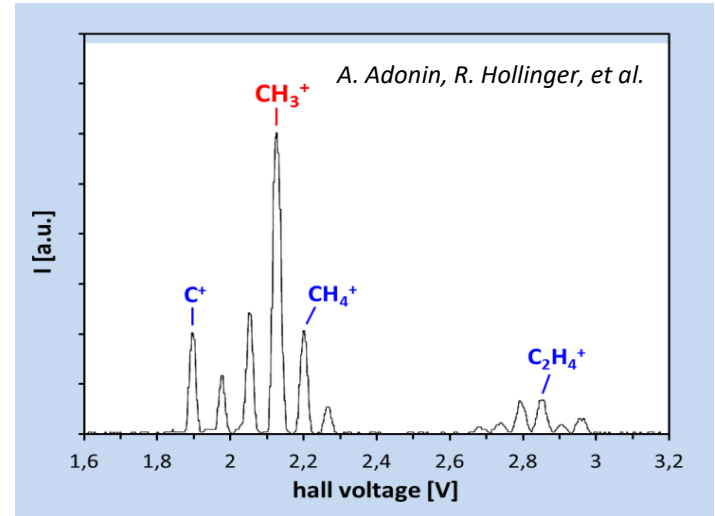
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For **protons** $^1\text{H}^+$: Reduce of rf-voltage by factor ≈ 60 , **But:** Outside of amplifier regulation



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Ion source

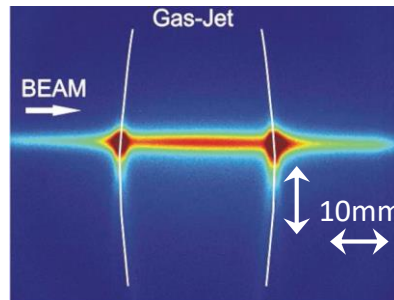


Gas target at 1.4 MeV

CH_3^+ acceleration

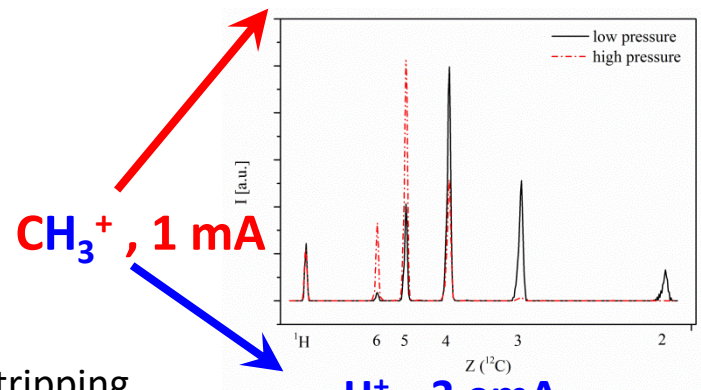


Use of HSI heavy ion beam capabilities to accelerate hydro-carbon compounds



Dissociation of CH-compounds + stripping

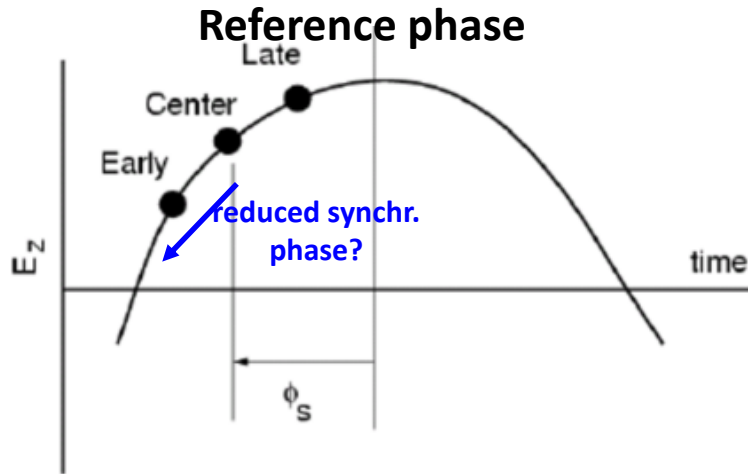
C^{6+} , 6 e mA



H^+ , 3 e mA

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ALVAREZ Rf-voltage < 1V ($\Phi_s \approx -30^\circ$)?

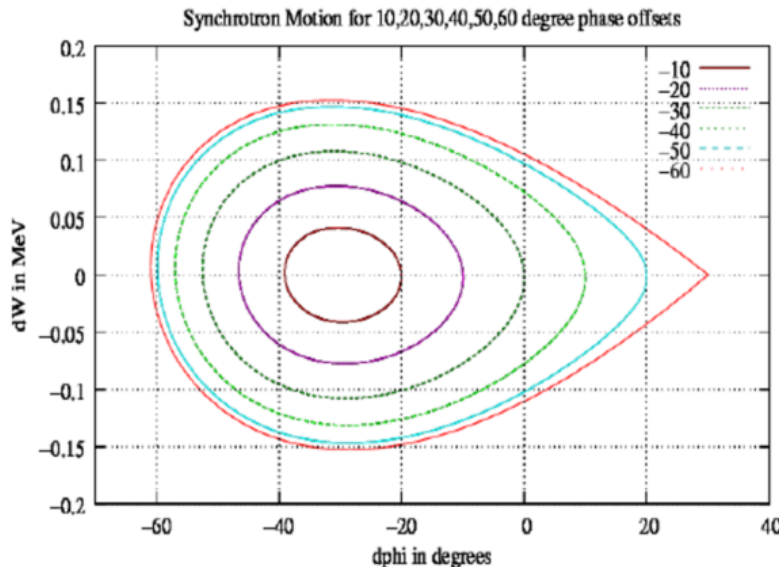
- $\Phi_s \approx -57^\circ$ ($U_{rf} \approx 1.5\text{V}$) 👍
- $\Phi_s \approx -65^\circ$ ($U_{rf} \approx 2.0\text{V}$) 👍
- $\Phi_s < -65^\circ$ ($U_{rf} > 2.0\text{V}$) 🙅

pros and cons of large negative phases:

- smooth rf-operation 👍 👍
- slightly reduced transmission 👍
- emittance blow up 🙅
- longitudinal phase space? 🙅

Achievement:

- ≈ 3 mA before SIS18, sufficient for actual users
 - Typical emittance reached
- (High current ≈ 50 mA by planned proton LINAC)



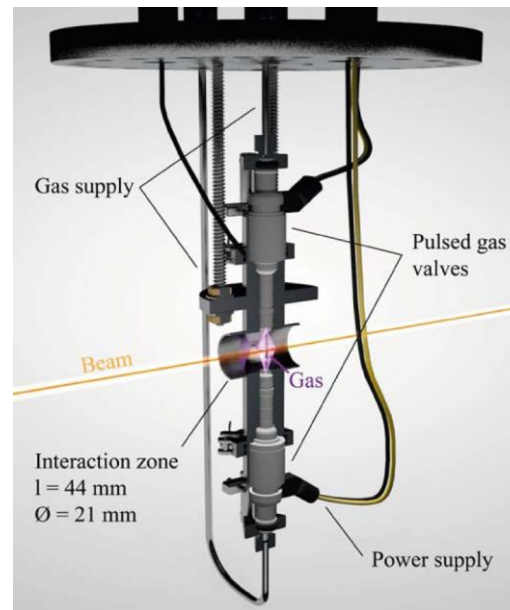
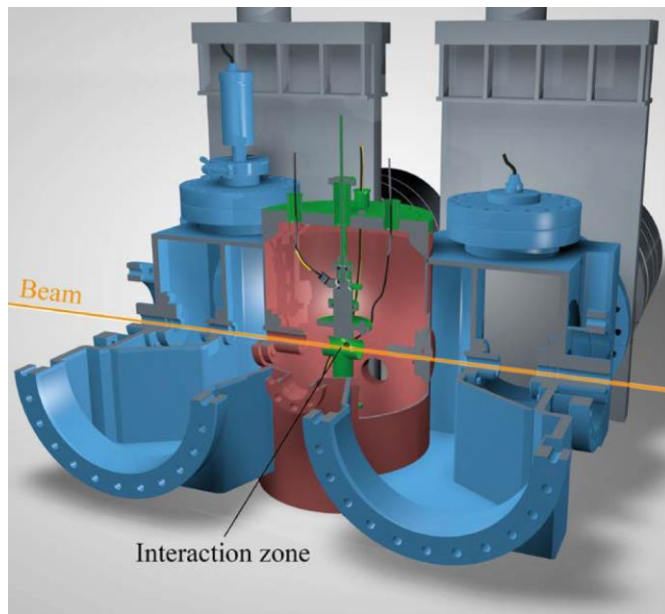
Gas Stripper for efficient Change of Charge State: Hardware

UNILAC: Ion source high current, low charge state e.g. $^{238}\text{U}^{4+}$

→ 1st LINAC part $^{238}\text{U}^{4+}$ up to 1.4 MeV/u ($\beta=5.5\%$) → gas stripper $^{238}\text{U}^{4+}$ → $^{238}\text{U}^{28+}$

→ 2nd part of LINAC $^{238}\text{U}^{28+}$ up to 11.4 MeV/u ($\beta=15.5\%$)

However, only $\approx 15\%$ for $q=28+$ depending on gas and pressure

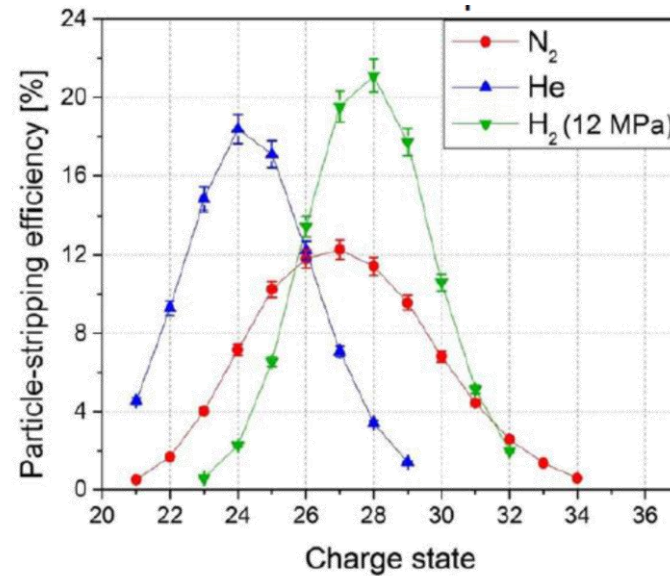


Automotive Gasoline Injector

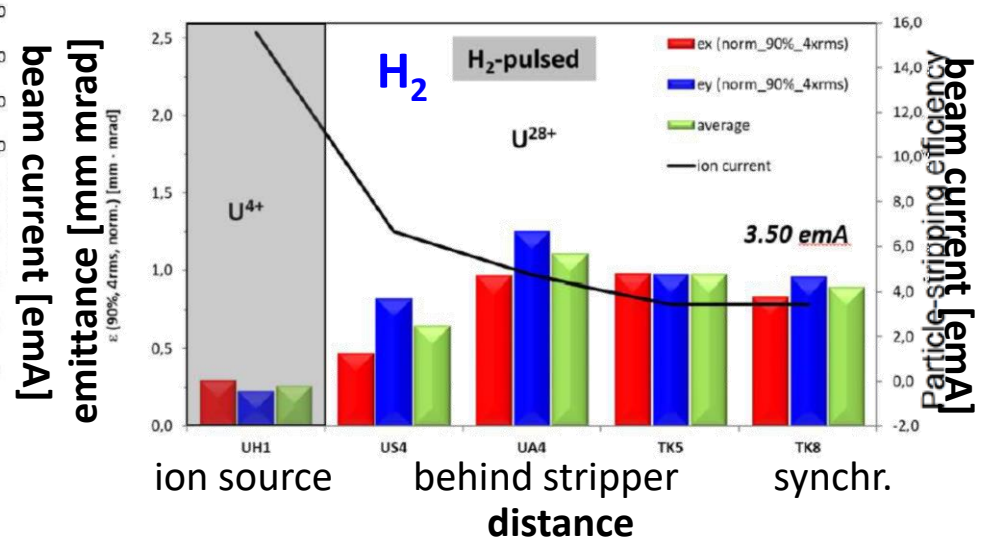
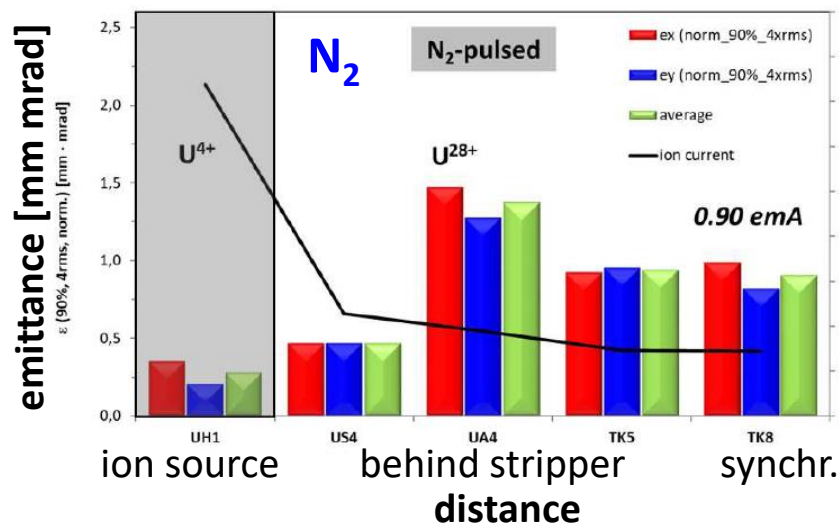
- High pressure super-sonic gas jet required, inlet $p = 120$ bar, light molecules deliver small jet
- Contradictory requirements: high density → good stripping, low density → lower straggling
- Pulsed inlet to reduce gas load in vacuum chamber

Results:

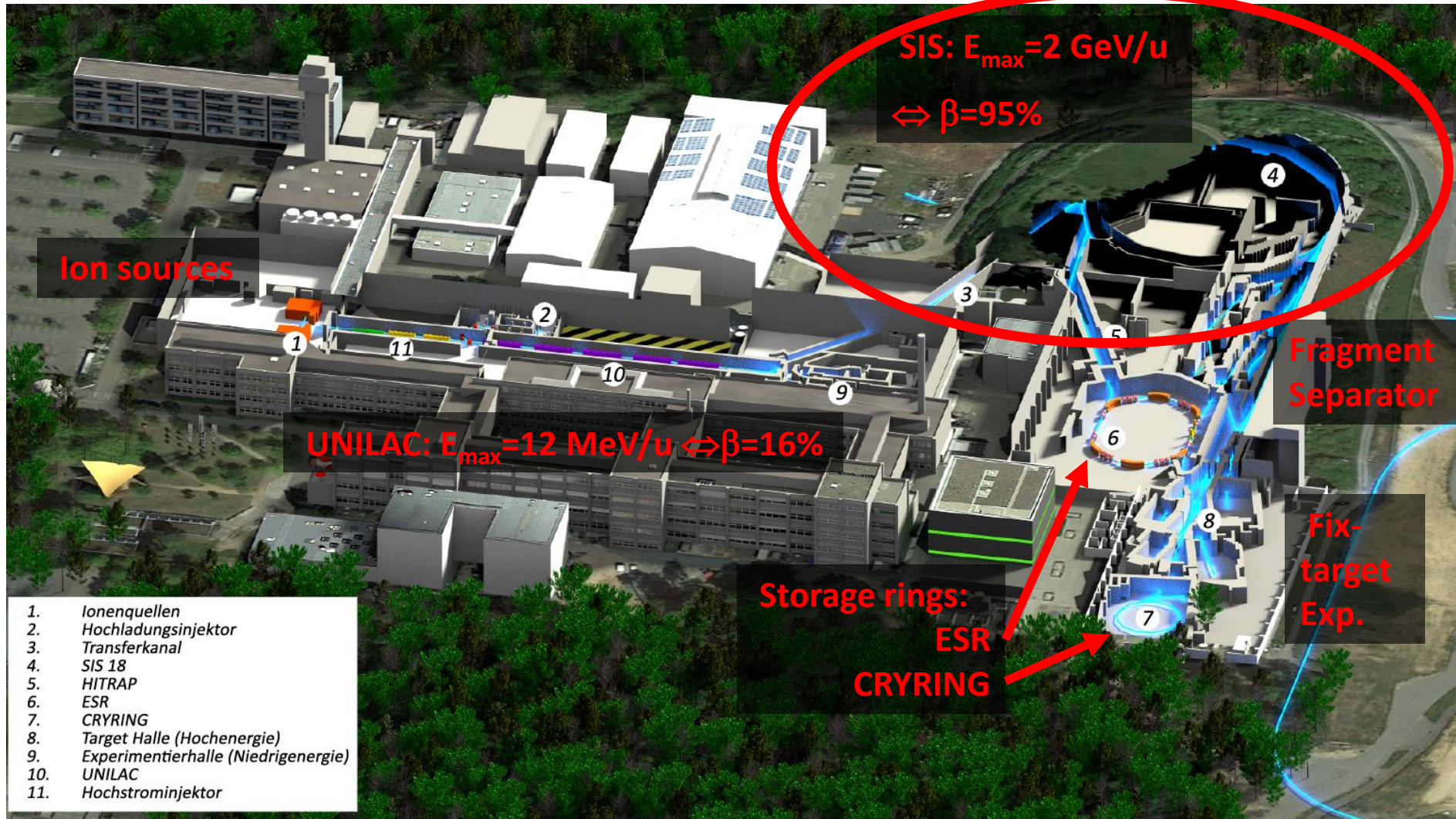
- Higher yield of $^{238}\text{U}^{28+}$ for pulsed H_2 jet
- Lower emittance due to lower straggling

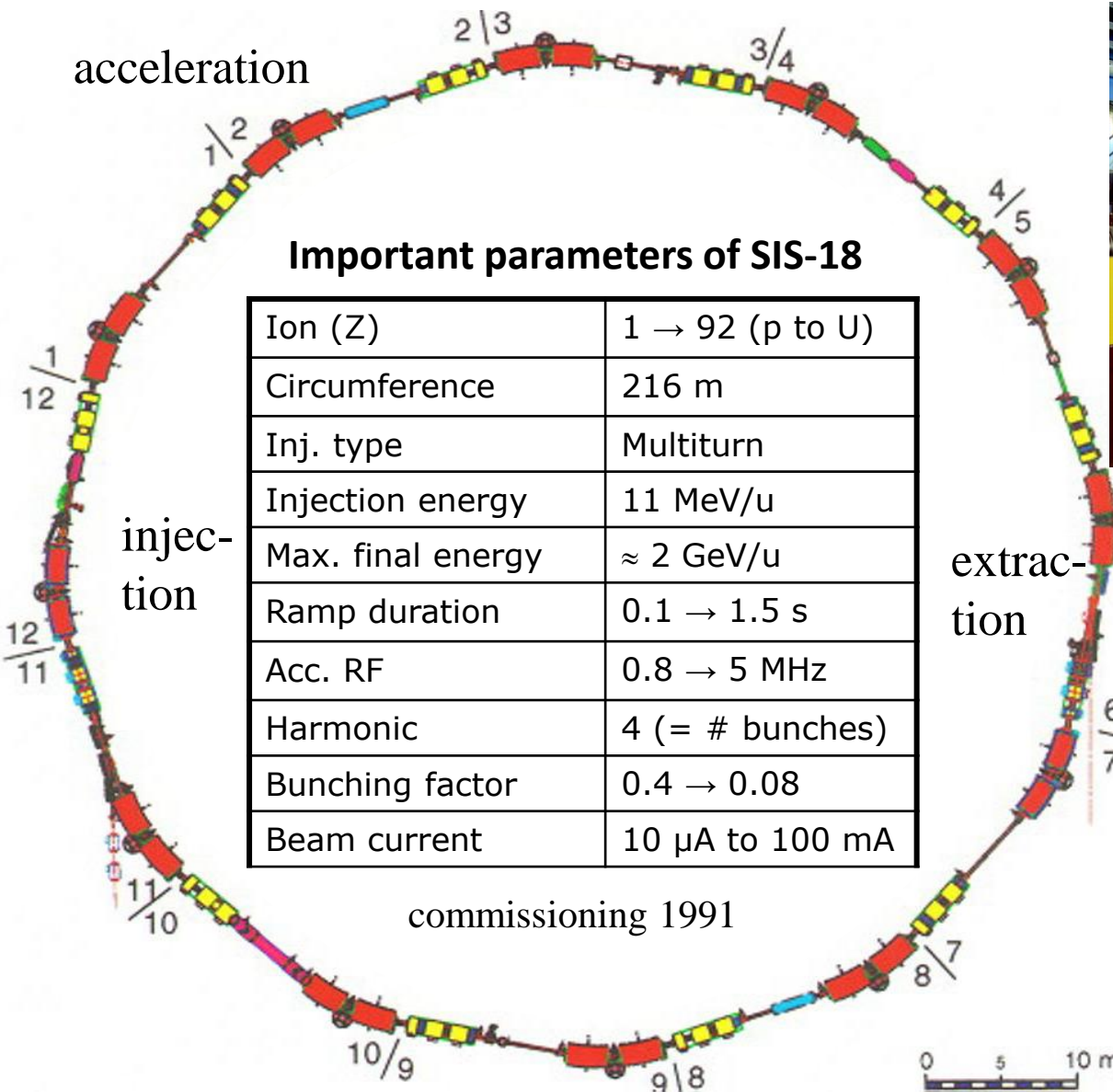


Talk by Simon Lauber: Novel beam dynamics for heavy ion acceleration



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Important parameters of SIS-18

| | |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Ion (Z) | 1 → 92 (p to U) |
| Circumference | 216 m |
| Inj. type | Multiturn |
| Injection energy | 11 MeV/u |
| Max. final energy | ≈ 2 GeV/u |
| Ramp duration | 0.1 → 1.5 s |
| Acc. RF | 0.8 → 5 MHz |
| Harmonic | 4 (= # bunches) |
| Bunching factor | 0.4 → 0.08 |
| Beam current | 10 μA to 100 mA |



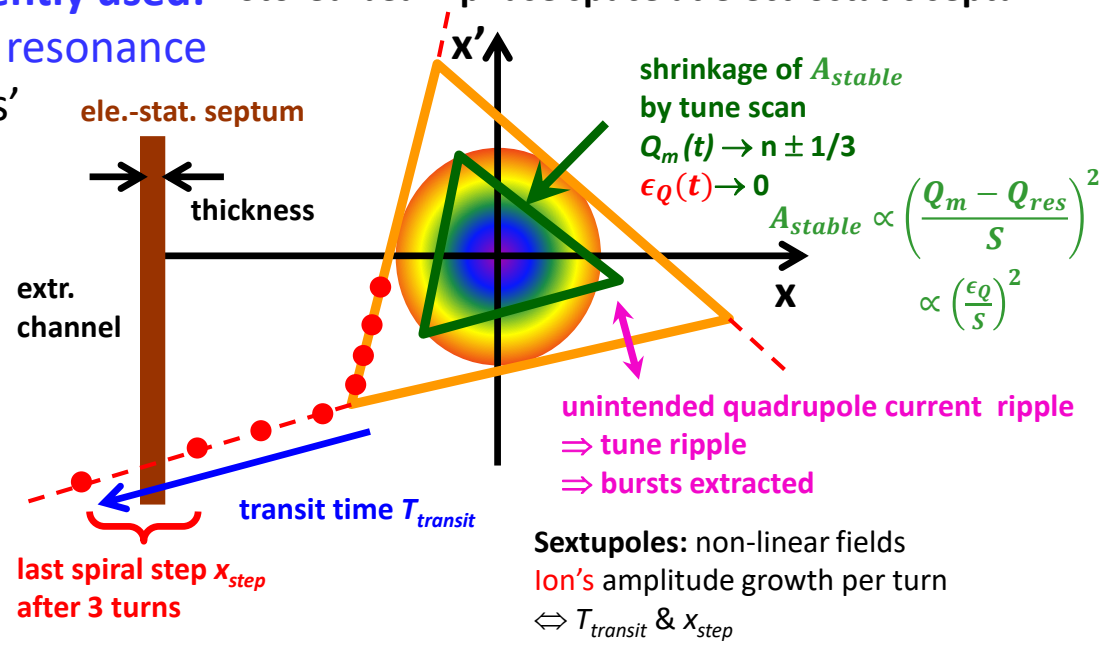
Slow Extraction: Principle and Micro-Structure

Slow extraction for $t_{ex} = 1 \dots 10$ s frequently used: Stored beam phase space at electrostatic septum
 Gentle excitation of a beam third order resonance

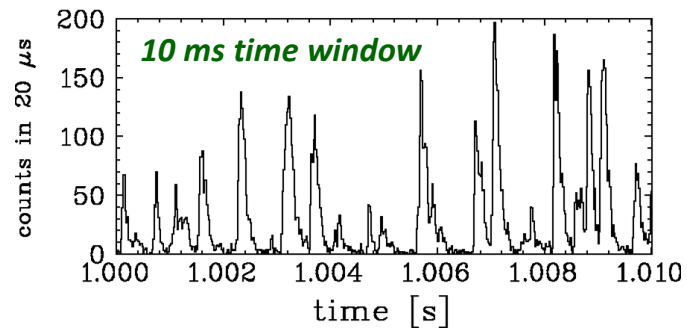
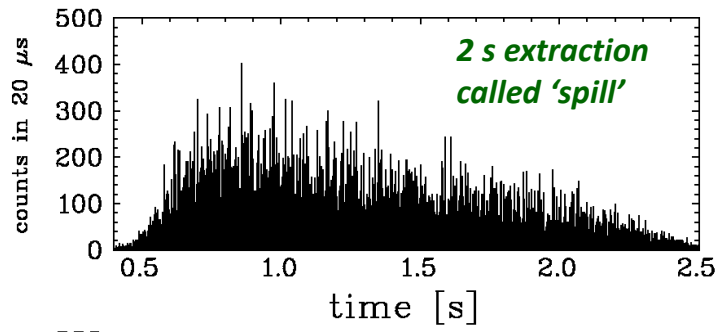
Beam physics: Extraction as 'slow losses'

- Particle crosses stability-boarder sequentially
- Exponential amplitude growth $\approx 50 \dots 1000$ turns reaching septum and is extracted

Problem: Sensitivity to any **unintended** resonance condition, e.g.:
 Change of tune:
 unintended quadrupole current ripples



Example: C⁶⁺ at 300 MeV/u at GSI



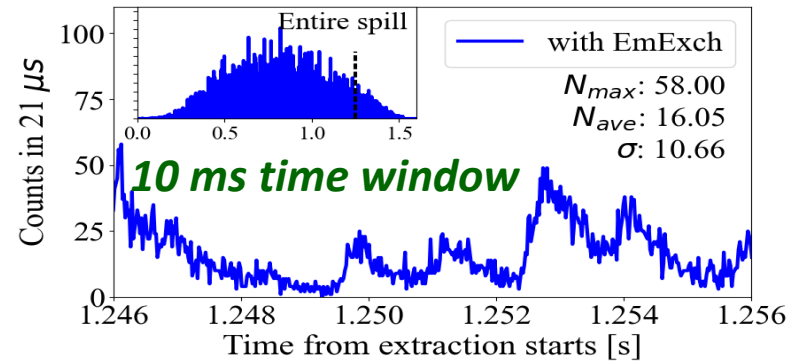
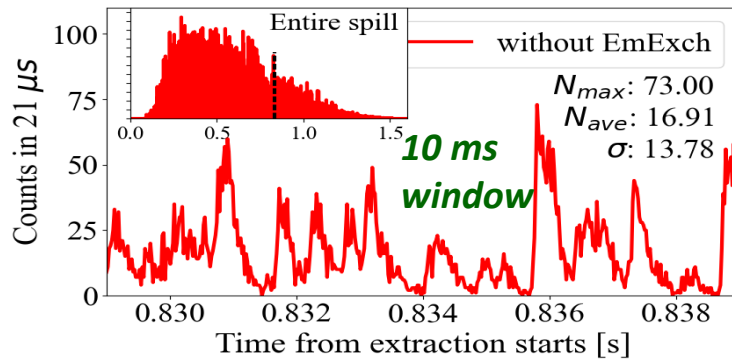
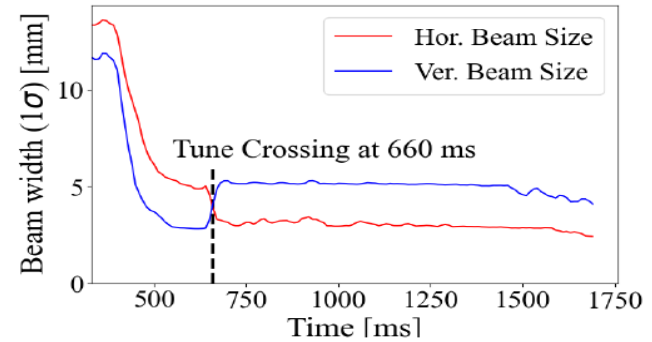
Spiky structure is one major problem for users as it increases the detector dead time

Slow Extraction: Micro-Structure Improvement

Possible mitigation:

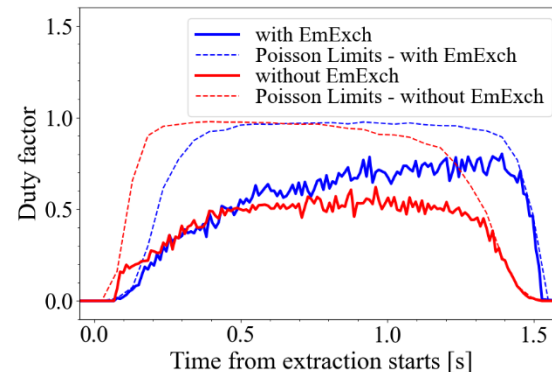
Smaller horizontal emittance by crossing shortly a coupling resonance $Q_x = Q_y + 1$
 \Rightarrow Significant improvement

Other methods also tested related to linear and non-linear beam dynamics



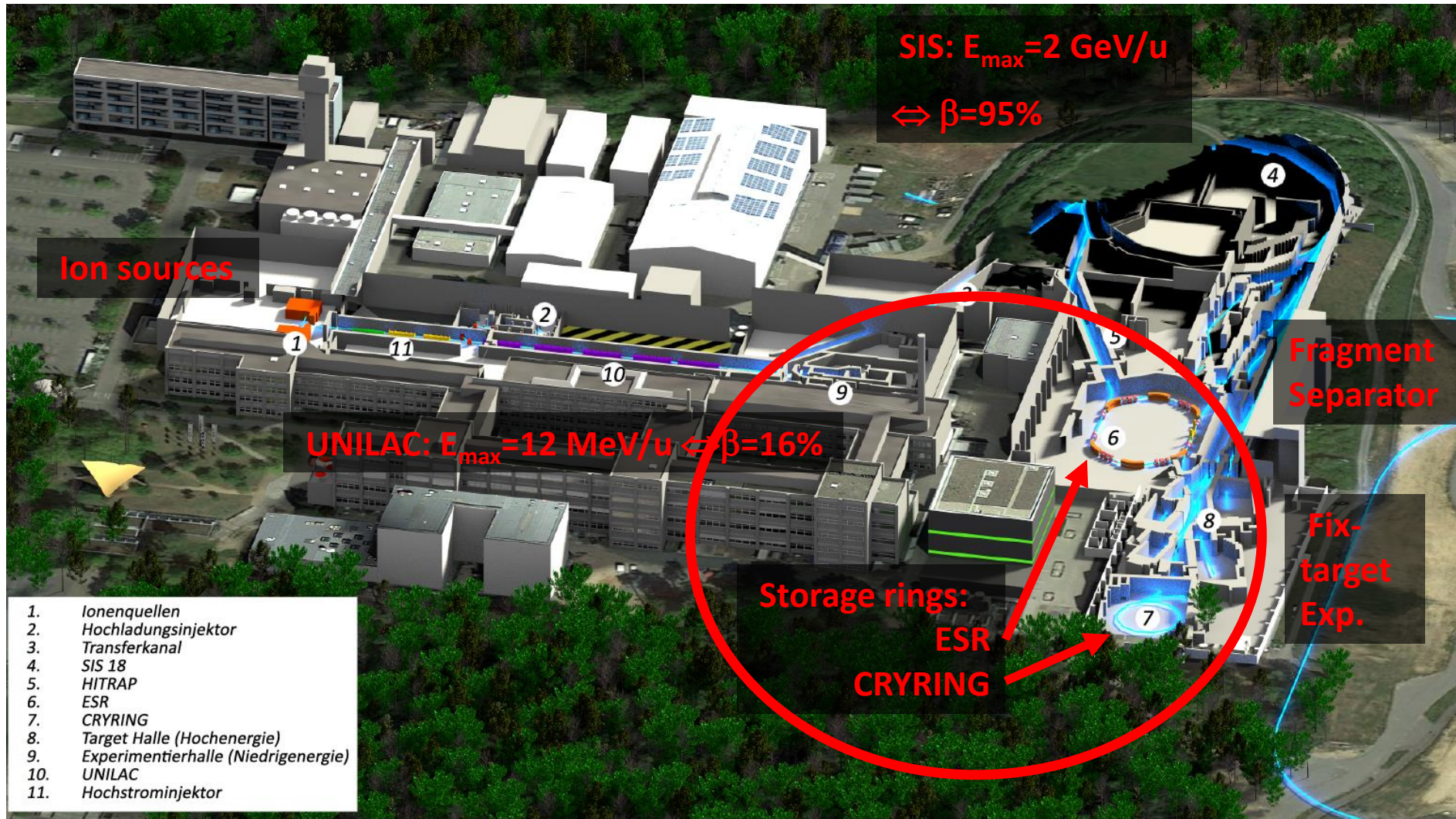
Duty factor, i.e. normalized fluctuations

$$F_{\Delta t} \equiv \frac{c_{mean}^2}{c_{mean}^2 + \sigma_c^2} \equiv \frac{\langle c \rangle^2}{\langle c^2 \rangle}$$



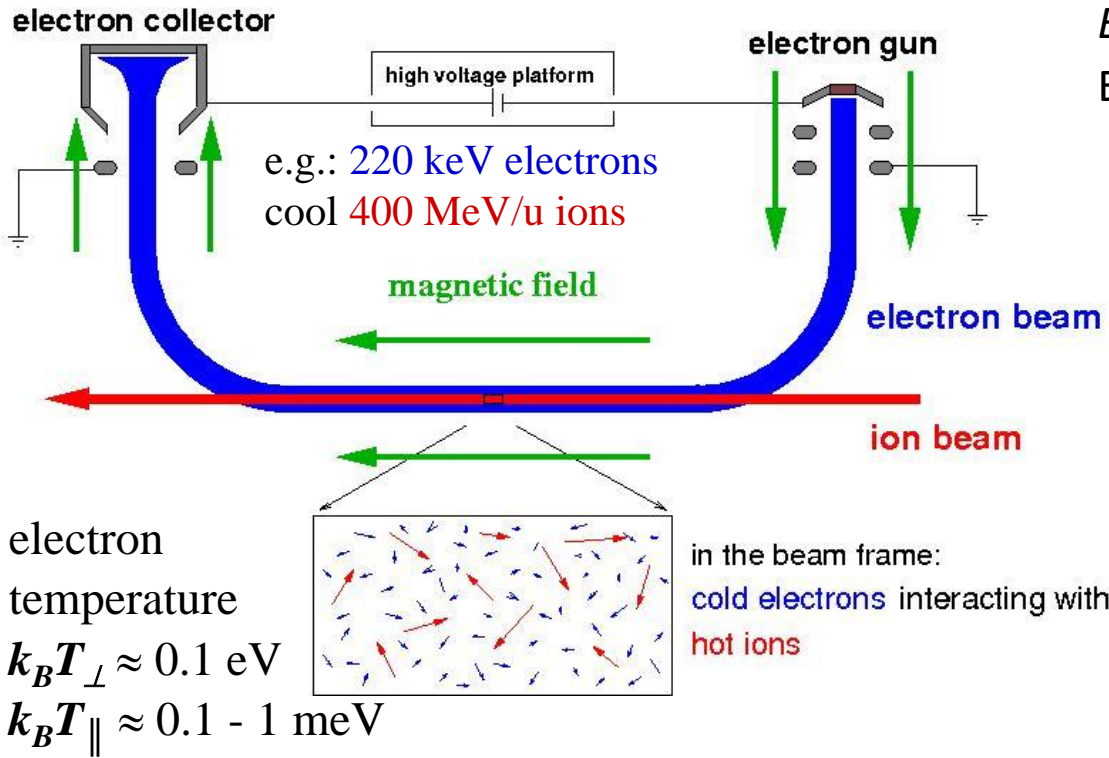
Part of EU-project IFAST-REX with
 Collaboration: CERN, GSI, Medical Ion Therapy Centers

The GSI Accelerator Facility: Storage Rings



Electron Cooling: Improvement of Beam Quality

Electron cooling: Superposition ion and cold electron beams with the same



Example:

Electron cooler at ESR $U_{max} = 300 \text{ kV}$



Physics:

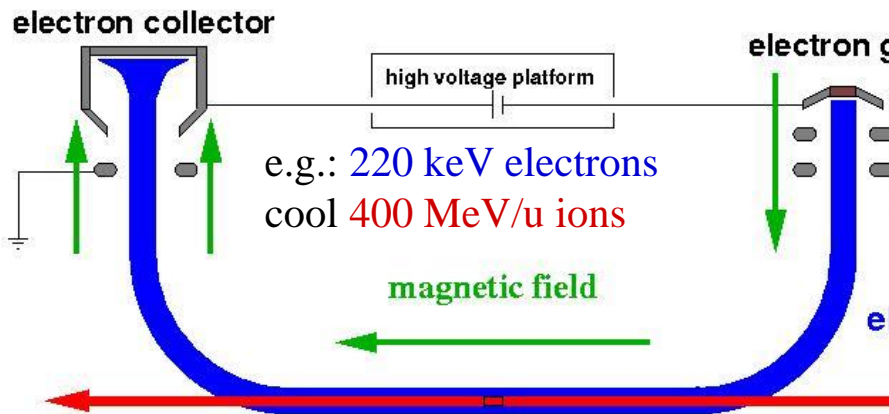
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Cooling time: 0.1 s for low energy highly charged ions, 1000 s for high energy protons

Also Stochastic Cooling available at ESR

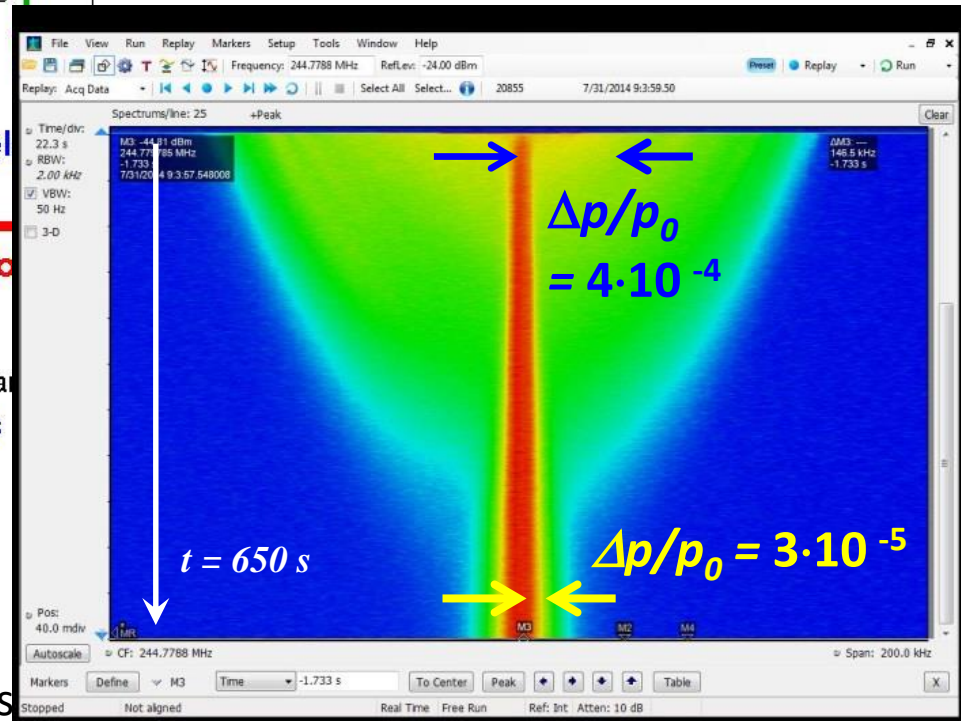
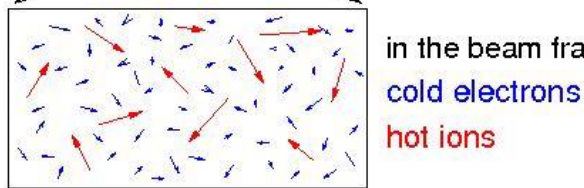
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Example:
Electron cooling at ESR: 10^8 proton
at 400 MeV

electron temperature
 $k_B T_{\perp} \approx 0.1 \text{ eV}$
 $k_B T_{\parallel} \approx 0.1 - 1 \text{ meV}$



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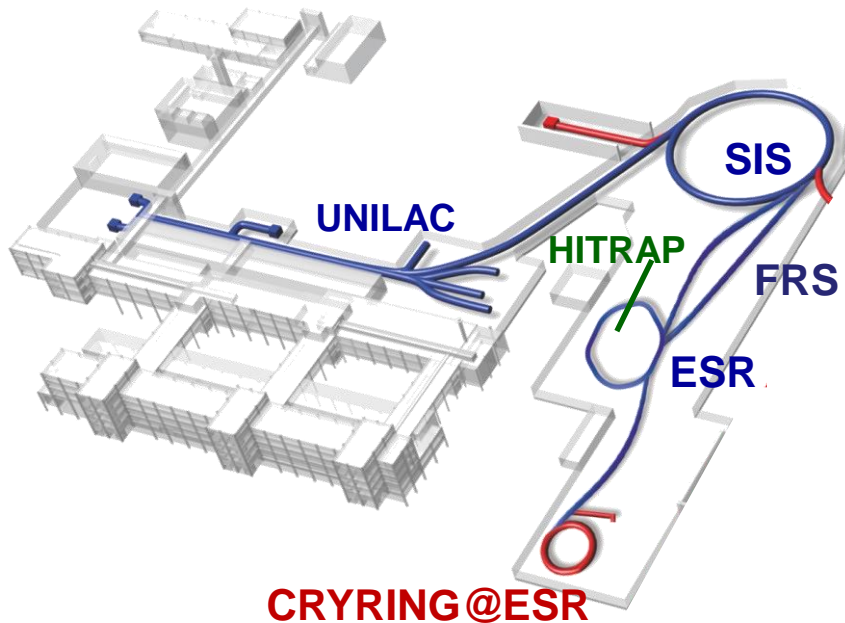
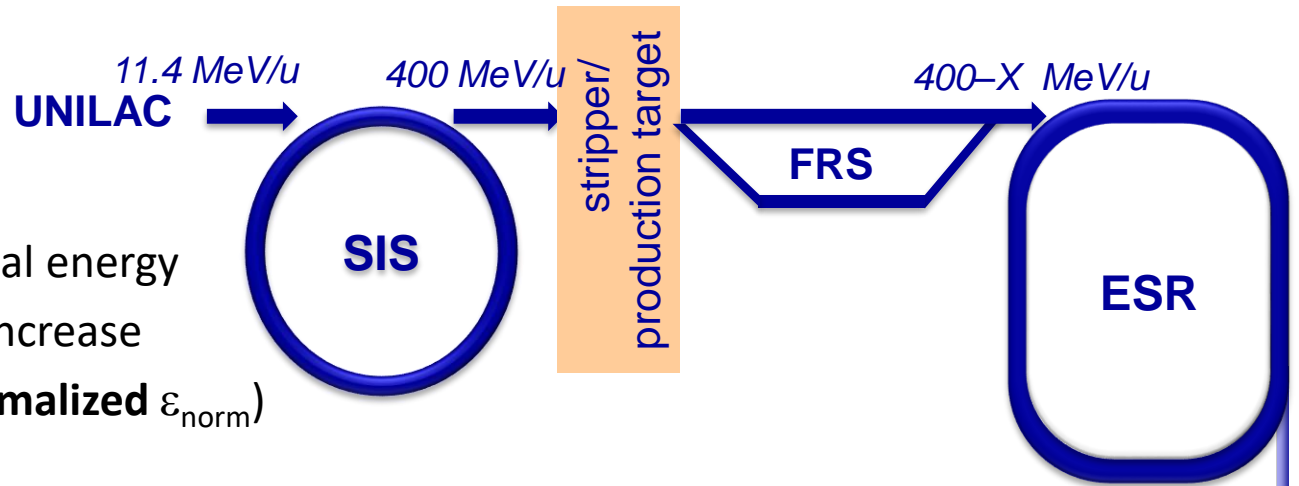
Deceleration of Highly Charged Ions

Slow, highly charged ions

- Stripping at high energy to provide sufficient collisional energy
- Deceleration: Emittance increase (Ideally: Conservation of **normalized** ϵ_{norm})

⇒ **Cooling required**

Atomic physics: Ion far away from charge equilibrium



CRYRING@ESR

linear decelerator



4 MeV/u

Injection to trap → cooling to 4 K

ring decelerator



4-10 MeV/u

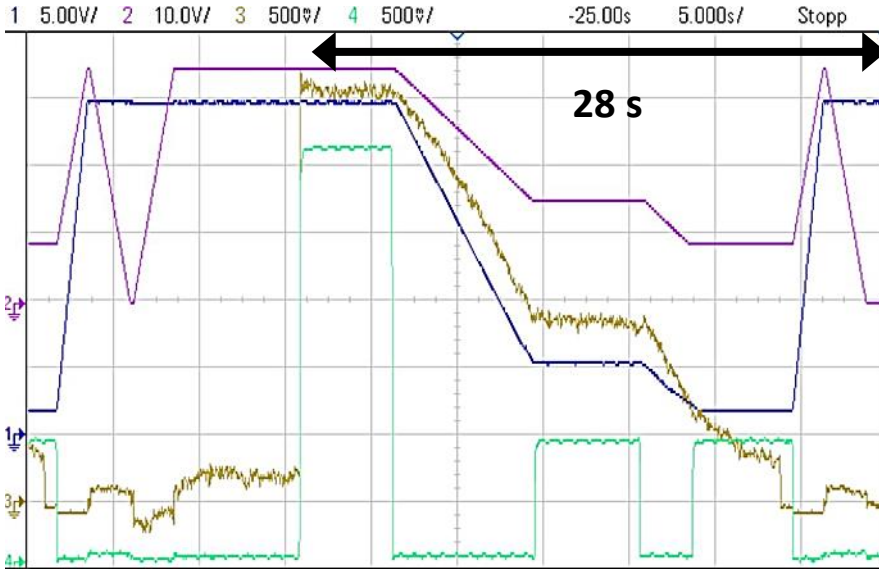
4 MeV/u ... 100 keV/u

Slow ions are stored and well controlled

Energy range 10 MeV/u to sub eV/ion

10^5 to 10^7 highly charged ions. e.g. U^{91+}

Deceleration: Au⁷⁸⁺: 145 → 30 → 10 MeV/u followed by fast transfer to CRYRING



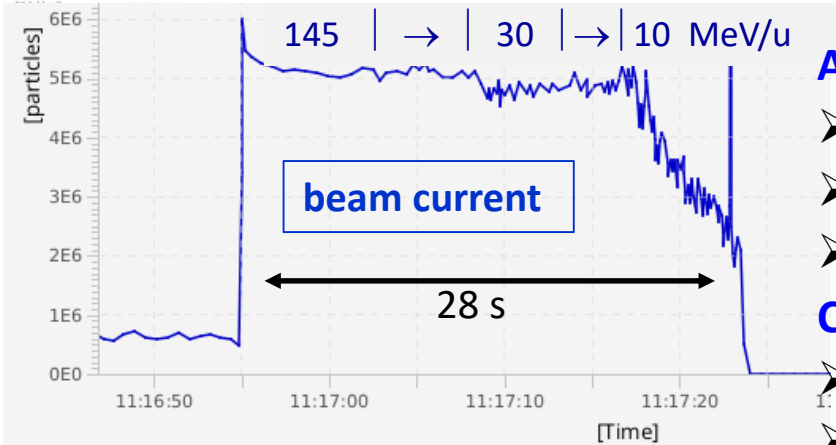
high voltage of electron cooler (electron energy)

electron cooling is applied at all three plateaus

dipole field strength

beam current

electron current (300/100 mA)



Achievements:

- Optimization of complex beam manipulation
- Intensity below 10^7
- Particle loss less than 20 % from 145 to 10 MeV/u

Challenges:

- Beam instabilities by large space charge
- Lifetime limit by residual gas coll. ($p=10^{-11}$ mbar)

CRYRING: Significant improved ring from University Stockholm

Injection from ESR or local source, acceleration and deceleration, electron cooling

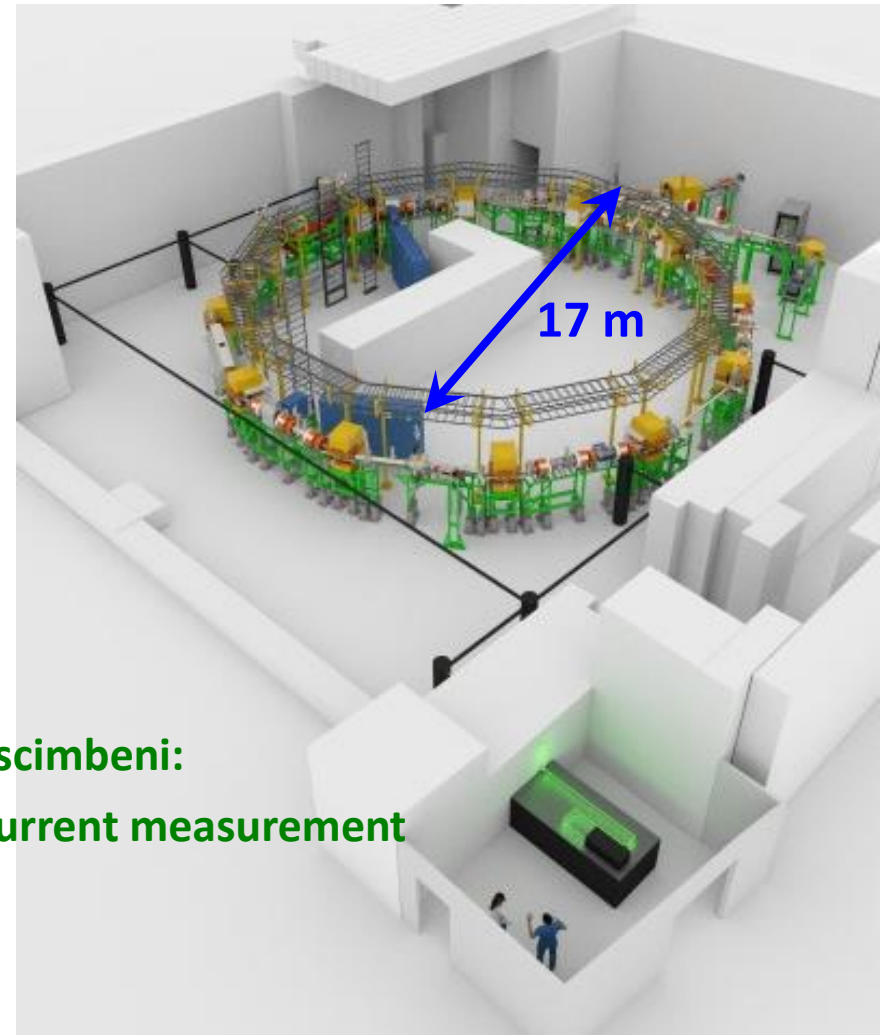
| Parameter | Value |
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| Circumference | 54.17 m (ESR/2) |
| Vacuum pressure | 10^{-11} - 10^{-12} mbar |
| Ion energy | < 300 keV/u - 14 MeV/u |
| Rigidity for ions | 0.054 - 1.44 Tm |
| Magnet ramping | 1 T/s (4 T/s, 7 T/s) |
| Stand-alone operation | local ion beam (300 keV/u, $q/A > 0.25$) |
| Beam injection | multiturn and fast |
| Beam extraction | slow and fast |

Beam time 2022:

- Beams from ESR
- Beam from local source
- Atomic physics and material investigations
- Extracted beams

Talk by Lorenzo Crescimbeni:

Extreme sensitive current measurement



Future Facility for Anti-proton and Ion Research FAIR:

→ Brilliant future as Brilliance = Beam Current / Emittance

SIS100:

Low charge states e.g. U^{28+}

⇒ factor 10 more ions

High energies e.g. for U^{92+}

Radioactive beam production:

100-fold better trans.& separation

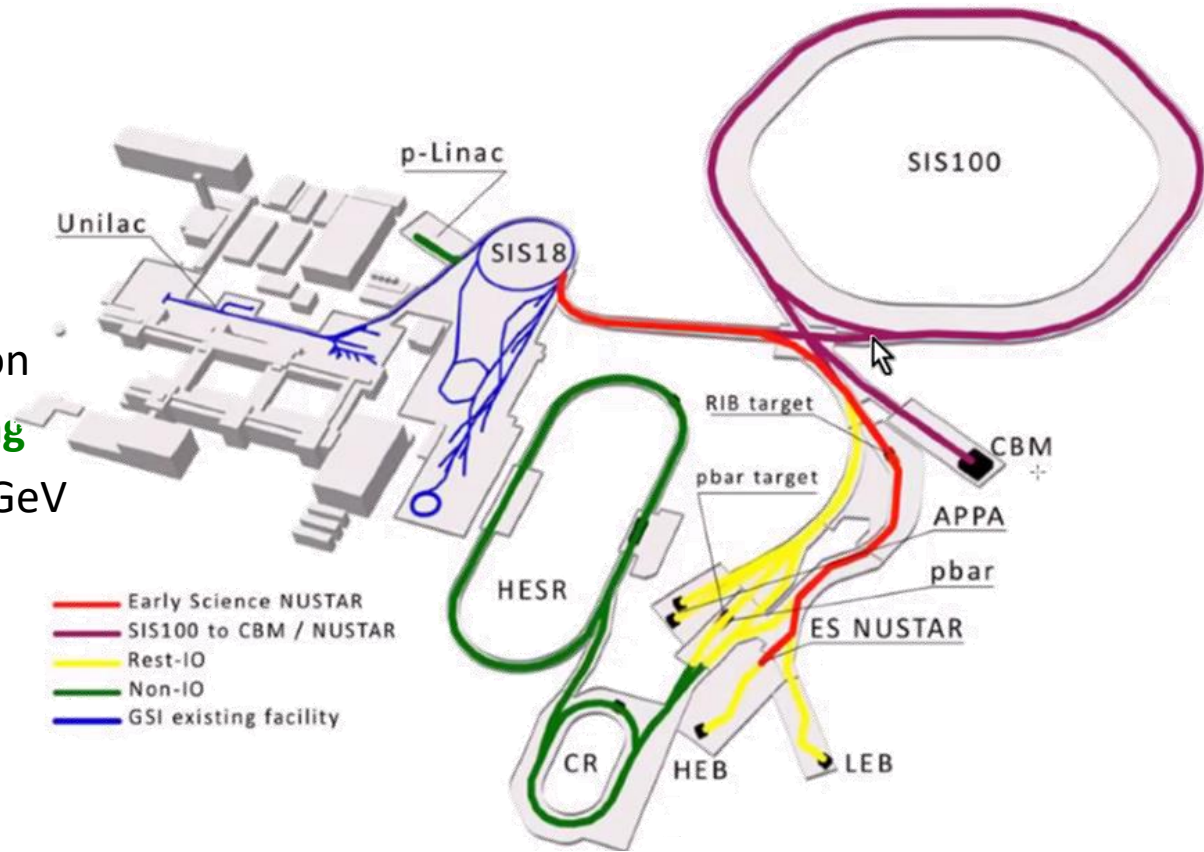
Anti-proton production & cooling

Novel investigation for up to 30 GeV

Fix targets:

Nuclear-, atomic-, plasma-,

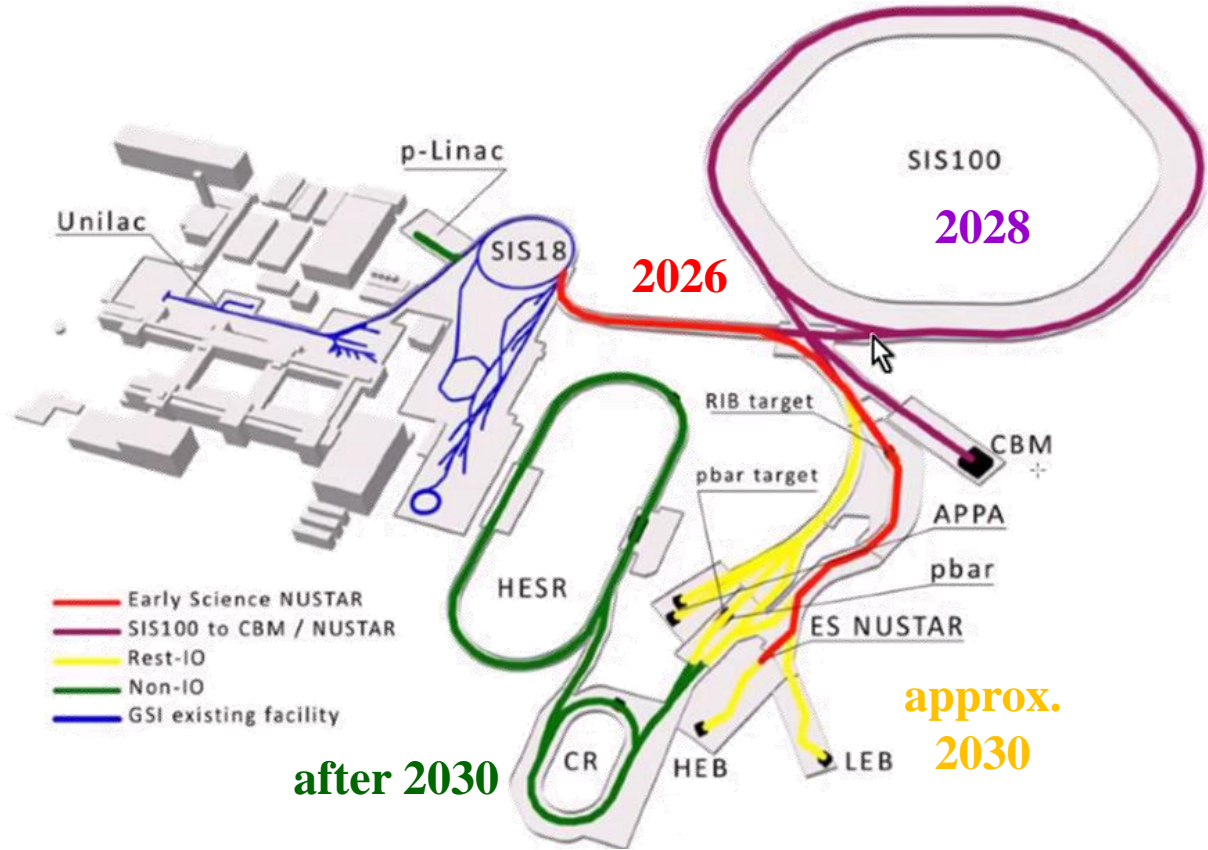
bio-physics & & material science

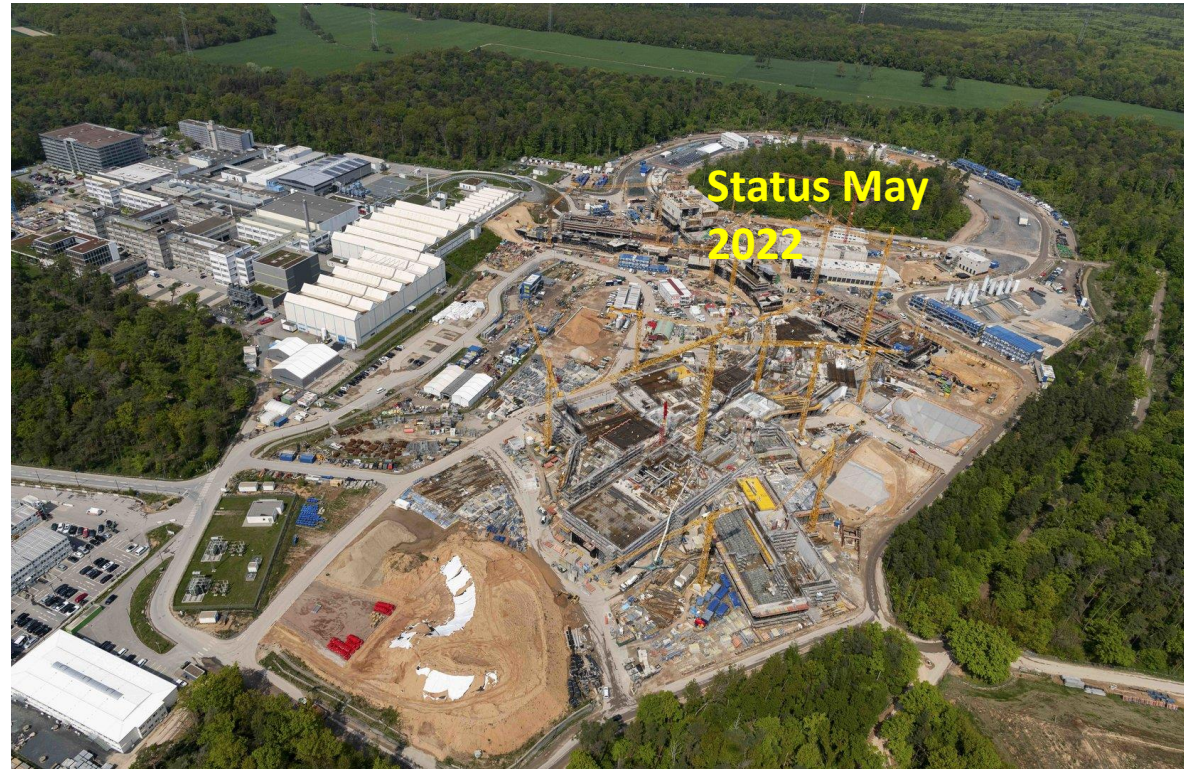


Future Facility for Anti-proton and Ion Research FAIR:

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Problems due to sanctions against Russia (financial and in-kind) ⇒ Significant delays expected (under considerations....)





Conclusion:

- GSI: One of the most versatile accelerator facilities in the world
- Challenging operation with interesting accelerator physics and technologies
- FAIR as a 'natural' extension in progress

Thank you for your attention! Do you have questions?