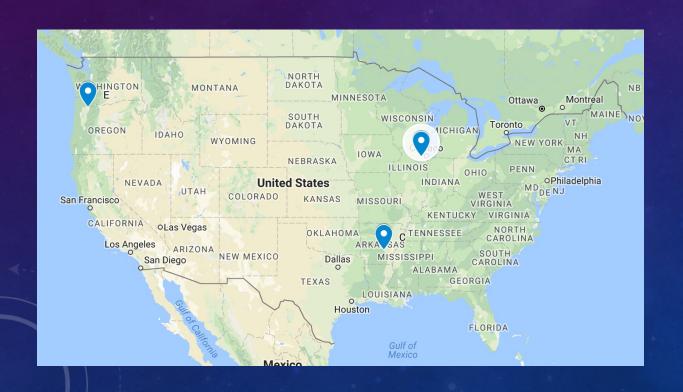
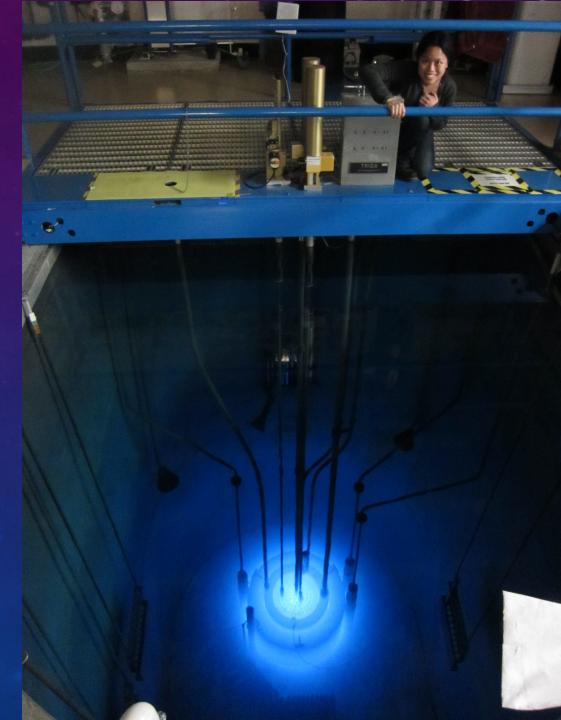


ABOUT ME

- Grew up in Arkansas
- Bachelor's degree in physics from Reed College in Portland, Oregon
- Nuclear reactor operator for 5 years





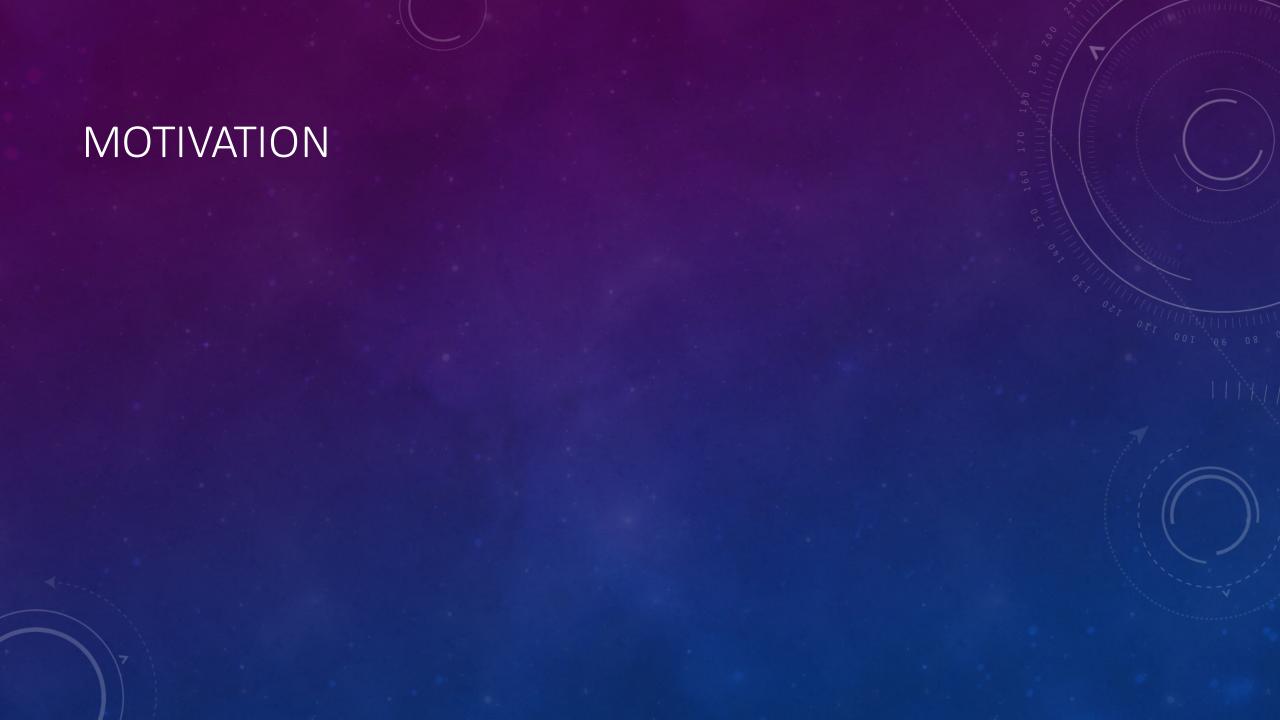
ABOUT ME

- Fermilab since 2010
- Most of that time: particle accelerator operator
- I like big science machines!
- Currently an engineering physicist: I solve problems
- Work with neutrino experiments and manage the NuMI Underground experimental areas at Fermilab



CAVEATS

- I have chosen to make this a more hardware-focused talk.
- However, if this is something that interests you, a more formal construction is necessary and encouraged.
- Some great resources for further study, in order of advancement:
 - Past SMP talks about Accelerators by Eric Prebys, Fernanda Garcia, Elvin Harms: inspiration and borrowed material
 - "Concepts Rookie Book," written by accelerator operators at Fermilab: borrowed many images
 - Online lectures and other material from the U.S. Particle Accelerator School



WHAT IS A PARTICLE ACCELERATOR?

- PARTICLE: subatomic particles (usually)
 - protons, electrons, but could be heavier cousins like ions
- ACCELERATOR: makes a particle go faster = gives it extra energy
- So a particle accelerator is a machine that we use to add energy to particles of matter

BEAM

- Sometimes you'll hear me refer to "beams" of particles—we are usually not accelerating one
 particle, but a whole collection of them
- A collection of tiny, fast-moving particles all going in the same direction does behave a lot like a beam of light, and can be bent and focused the way a prism or lens would bend or focus light, but using magnets (more about that later)

WHY DO WE ACCELERATE PARTICLES?

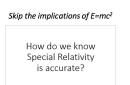
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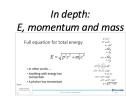
Derived using only math (mostly algebra) and the two conjectures:

- 1. The laws of nature are the same in all inertial frames of reference.
- 2. The speed of light in the vacuum is the same in all inertial frames of reference.

Mind: Blown! Wonderful Theoretical Fun!

Energy and mass are the same thing





- Remember Elliott talking about this a few weeks ago?
- We are giving particles extra energy, and later we can turn that extra energy into mass = NEW PARTICLES!

WHAT DO WE DO WHEN WE ACCELERATE PARTICLES?

- The main things we do with accelerated beams of particles:
 - Smash them into a fixed target ("fixed target")
 - Smash them into each other ("colliding beams")
 - Allow them to radiate energy ("synchrotron light source")

WHY DO WE ACCELERATE PARTICLES?

- These have myriad uses:
 - Particle physics
 - Nuclear physics
 - Altering the structure of matter for the purposes of medicine or industry
- I will concentrate on what we do here at Fermilab: high energy particle physics





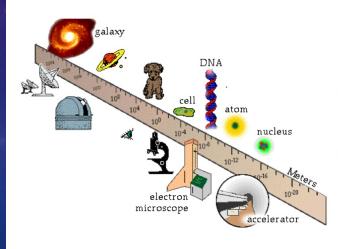


PARTICLE ACCELERATORS ARE OUR EYES

- Particle accelerators (and detectors) are the tools of high energy physics
 - Like microscopes or telescopes, they allow us to see things we wouldn't be able to with the naked eye
 - In this case, things about the fundamental building blocks of the universe, of matter and energy and the forces that govern how they interact
- Higher energies, smaller wavelengths, information about smaller things

Accelerators: the ultimate microscope

- All particles have wave properties
- We need to use particles with short wavelengths to get detailed information about small things



A particle's momentum and its wavelength are inversely related

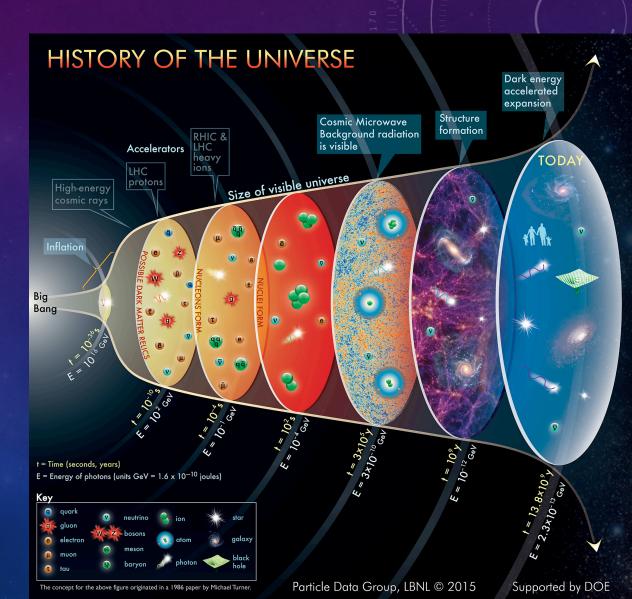


We use particle accelerators to increase the momentum of the probing particle, thus decreasing its wavelength

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ACCELERATORS LET US GO BACK IN TIME (!)

- It took many millions of years for matter as we know it to be formed (as we know it)
- Accelerators let us re-create conditions like those a few trillionths of a second right after the Big Bang, 13.8 billion years ago
- This can give us more information about the formation of the universe, the structure of matter, where the universe might be headed



I HOPE YOU'RE CONVINCED...

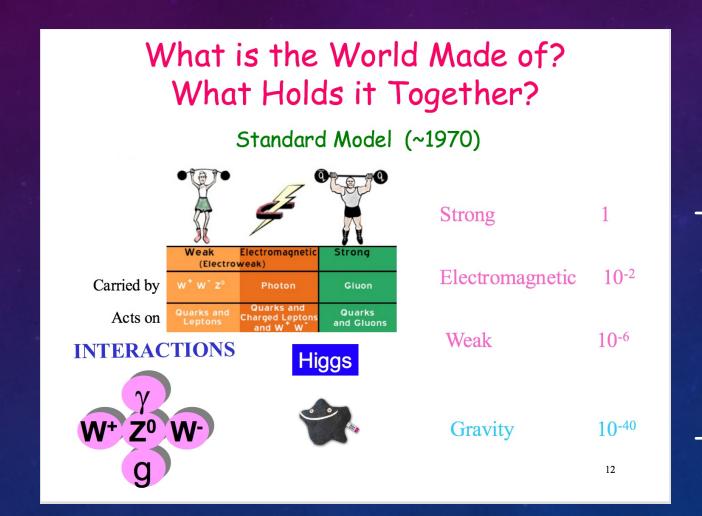
- Accelerators are very useful, and pretty great!
- Questions before we move ahead?

LET'S BUILD A PARTICLE ACCELERATOR

THE CINDYTRON

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SO HOW DO WE ACCELERATE PARTICLES?



Forces

From Cecelia's talk last week

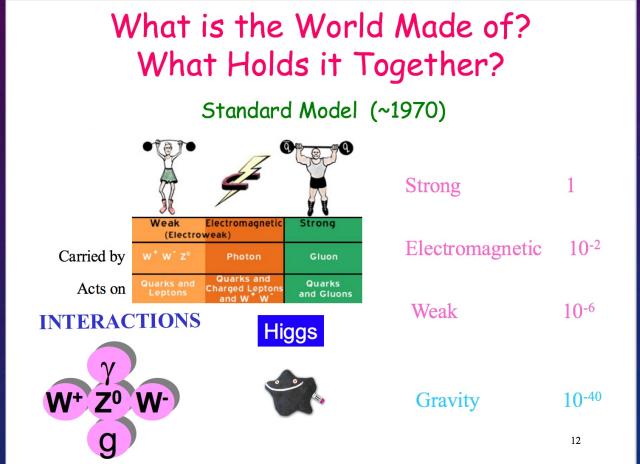
NEWTON'S SECOND LAW, AND WORK

- $| \cdot | \overrightarrow{F} = m \overrightarrow{a} |$
 - Force is equivalent to mass times acceleration
 - Not just velocity (moving at constant speed) but acceleration (changing speed or direction)
 - (remember special relativity from Elliott's lecture?)
 - Larger mass or greater acceleration = more force
- $W = F d = F \Delta x$
 - "Work" is the result of a force applied over a distance (a.k.a. a change it its position, x, represented by "delta")
 - A massive object is moved: work has been performed to get it there
 - Work takes energy: chemical, mechanical, nuclear, etc.

ENERGY IS CONSERVED

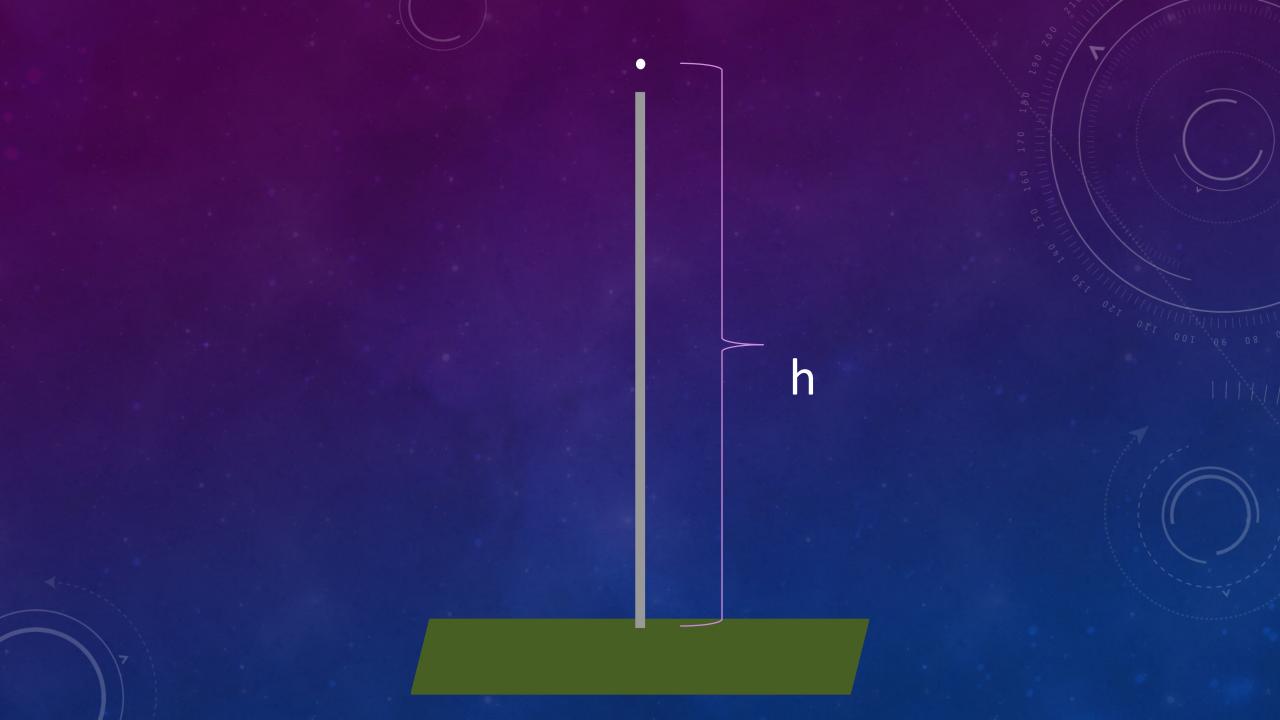
- Potential energy
 ← Kinetic energy
- An object held at a height possesses gravitational potential
- When dropped, gravity does work on the object as it falls, accelerating it and turning that gravitational potential energy (energy stored at rest) into kinetic energy (energy of motion)
- If you pick it up again and hold it at a height, the work you have done on the object gets turned back into potential energy

SO COULD WE USE GRAVITY?



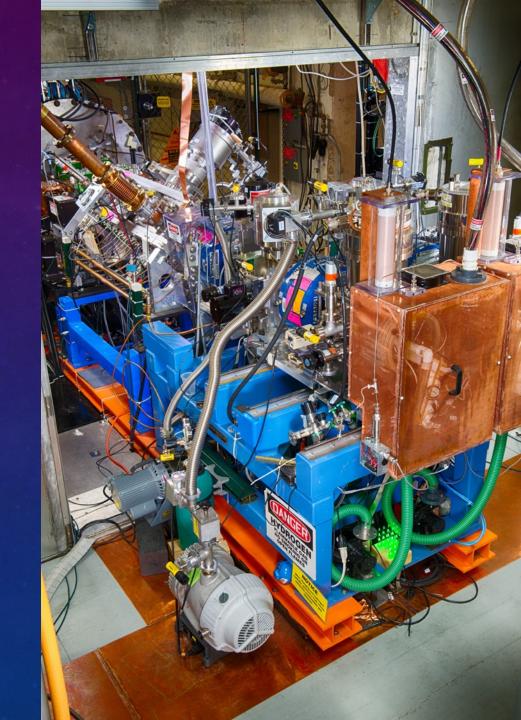






A GRAVITY ACCELERATOR?

- Here at Fermilab, our RIL (RFQ Injection Linac), the very start of our Proton Source, accelerates H- ions to 750 KeV of energy.
- What height would you have to drop an H- ion (one proton, two electrons) from for gravity to accelerate it to 750 KeV?



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$$W = F d = F \Delta x$$
 Set:
 $W = 750 \text{ KeV},$

$$F = m a = m g$$

$$\Delta x = h$$

g = acceleration due to Earth's gravity

h

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$$1 \text{ eV} = 1.602 \text{ x } 10^{-19} \text{ J, so}$$

750 KeV = 1.204 x 10⁻¹³ J

For a H- ion, 1 proton + 2 electrons

$$m = 1.672 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} + 2 (9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg})$$

 $= 1.6738 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$

 $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \text{ (near the Earth's surface)}$

Plugging it all in...

 $W = F d = F \Delta x$

750 KeV = mgh

 $1.204 \times 10^{-13} J = 1.6738 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} * 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 * \text{h}$

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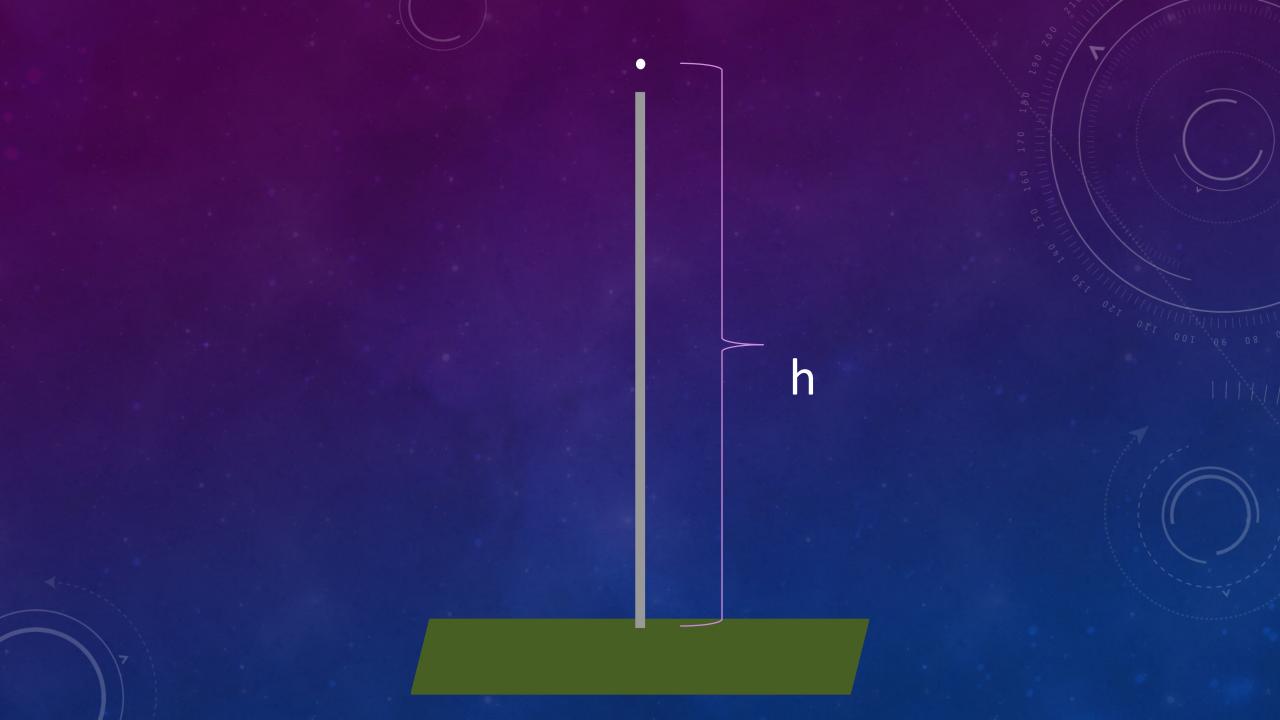
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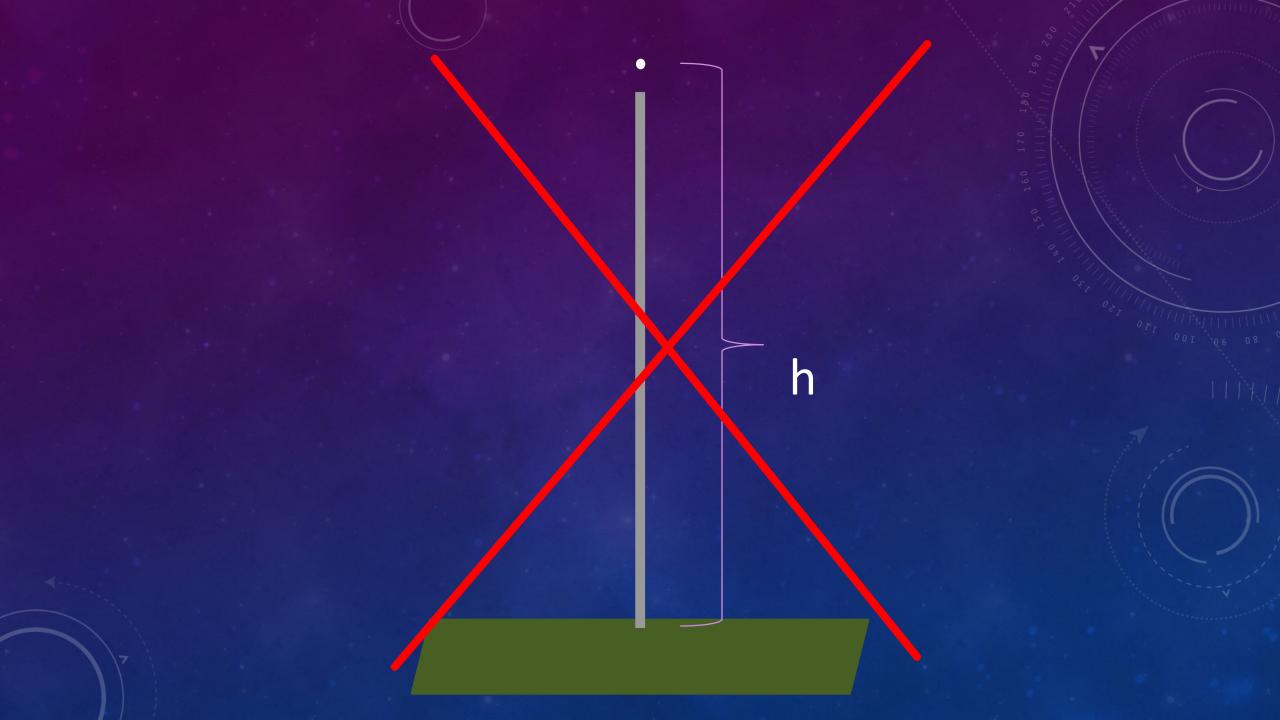
And solving for h gives us:

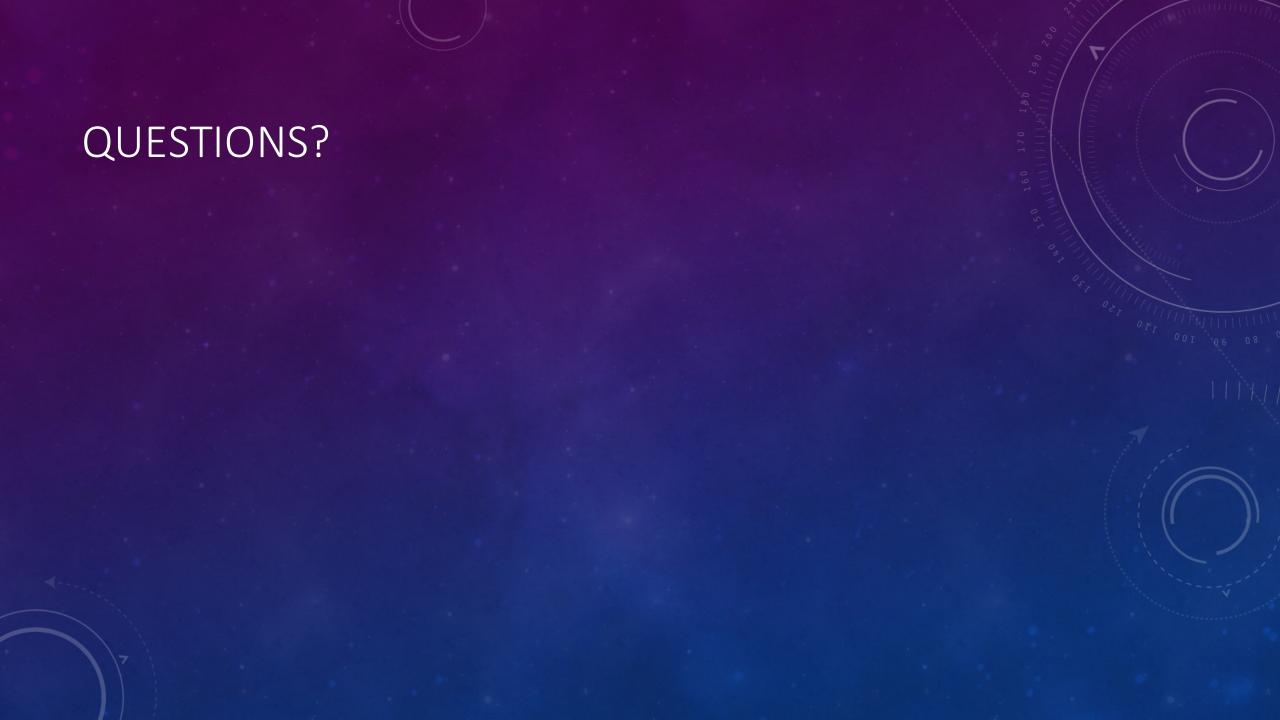
 $h \approx 7.34 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}$

SO WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

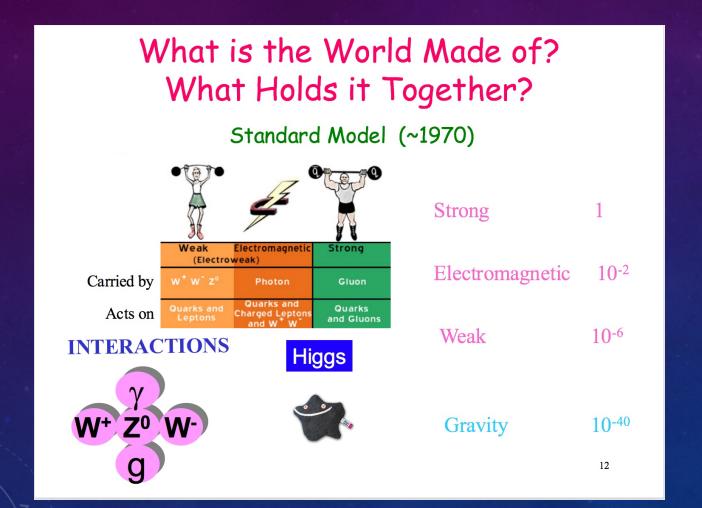
- We would have to drop an H- ion from ~73 million km to yield a 750 KeV kinetic energy
- (assuming a constant value for g, which is not accurate, but we're just performing what physicists would call a "back of the envelope" calculation)
- Earth is only 12,742 km in diameter (on average)
- That's almost 5.75 million times the diameter of the earth







WHAT ABOUT THE ELECTROMAGNETIC FORCE?





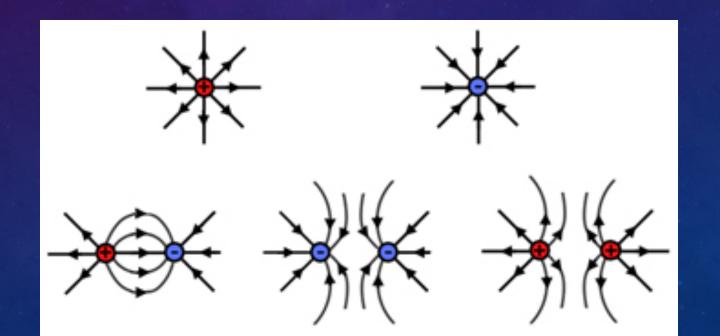


FIELDS

- Fields are weird. They just are.
- A way to explain the ability of an object to affect another object without directly interacting with it
- Examples: electric fields, magnetic fields, gravitational fields (general relativity)
- A field has a value at every point in space and time (fields are everywhere and always)
- One way of thinking about their effect: a source sets up a field in space, and objects
 respond to the field present at their locations (possibly experiencing a force)

ELECTRIC CHARGES, FIELDS, AND FORCES

- A charged particle creates an electric field. Another charged particle interacts with this electric field and experiences a force.
- Like charges repel, opposite charges attract

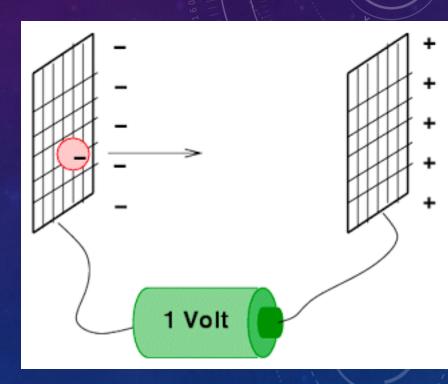


ELECTRIC CHARGES, FIELDS, AND FORCES

- $\bullet \ \vec{F} = q \vec{E}$
 - q = magnitude of the charge, usually given in units like Coulombs
 - E = Electric field, usually given in units like Newtons (a unit of force) / Coulomb, or Volts / meter
 - Force is proportional to the magnitude of the charge and the strength of the field (larger charge or larger field = more force)
- If a particle experiences a force over a distance, we can say that work was done
 - Either it experienced a gain in potential energy, or it got accelerated and experienced a gain in kinetic energy
- I'll get into magnetic fields and forces later

EV

- Remember that an object held at a height possesses gravitational potential
- When dropped, gravity does work on the object as it falls, accelerating it:
 - Potential energy (rest) → kinetic energy (motion)
- When a charged particle is exposed to an electric field, the electrical field can do work on the particle, accelerating it and changing electrical potential into kinetic energy
- eV = the amount of energy gained by accelerating one electron of charge over 1 Volt of electrical potential
- This is a very, VERY small, but convenient unit of energy for us to use
 - KeV (10³), MeV (10⁶), GeV (10⁹), TeV (10¹²)



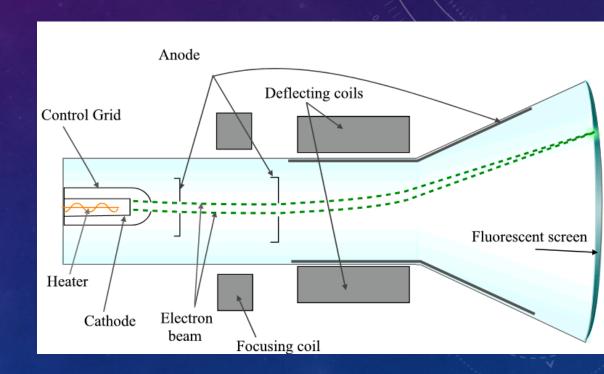
SO IF WE SET UP AN ELECTRICAL POTENTIAL...

- Would that accelerate a particle?
- Yes, and some "Electrostatic" accelerators work just like that.
- Examples: Crooke's tube, Van de Graaf generator, Cockcroft-Walton



CROOKE'S TUBE (CATHODE RAY TUBE): 1870

- Voltage differential created across a cathode-anode pair
- Negatively charged electrons are attracted to the anode
- If allowed to strike a phosphor screen, glow is produced
- Charged plates can be used to precisely direct the electron spray to produce an image
- This technology is used in CRT screens (big, glass, non-flatscreen TVs and monitors)



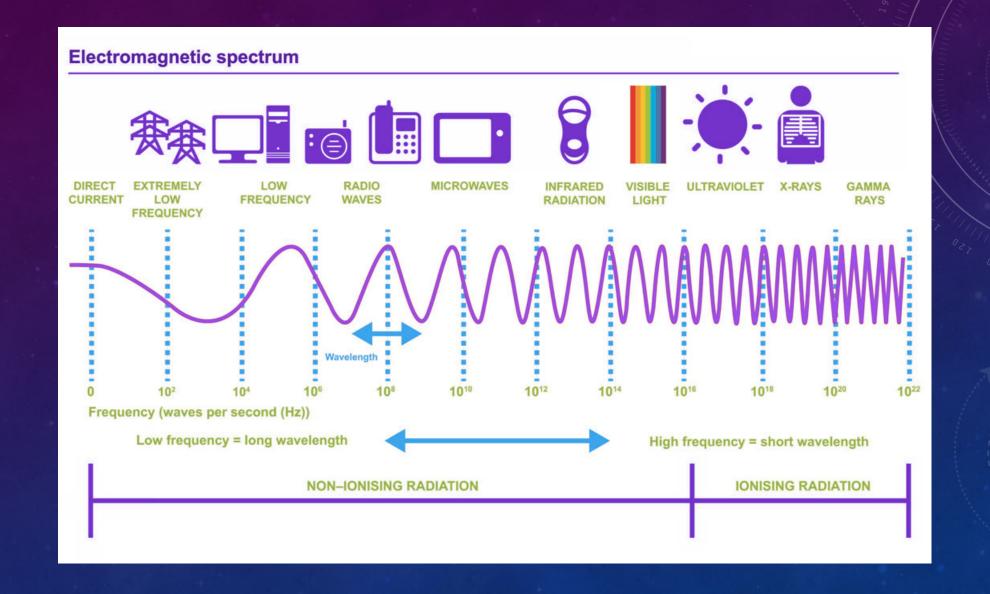
COCKCROFT-WALTON: 1928-1930

- Cleverly-designed stack of capacitors and switching diodes allows very high voltage differentials to be produced
- Voltages can be used to accelerate charged particles
- Similar idea as the Van de Graaf generator (invented later) charge is built up
- It does have limitations: at some point you can't hold that high level of charge anymore—the breakdown voltage of the ceramic resistors and/or air is reached, and the charge bleeds off through sparking
- Used as the first accelerating structure in Fermilab's accelerator chain from 1968 to 2012: accelerated hydrogen ions (H-) to 750 keV



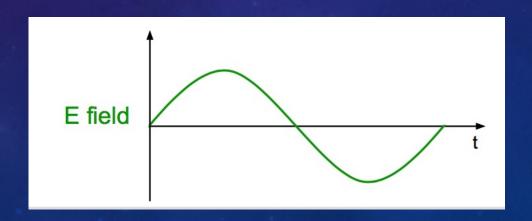
ELECTROSTATIC -> ELECTRODYNAMIC

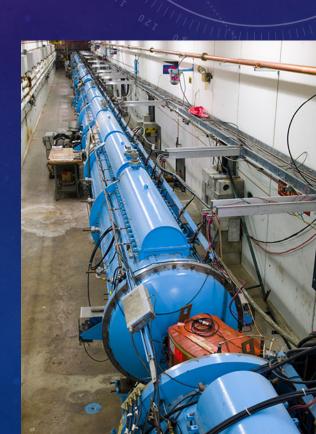
- But there's a certain point where the ability of air to hold an electrical voltage of that magnitude breaks down. We need to come up with another way.
- What about lots of small, lower-voltage pushes instead of one mighty super-high-voltage push?
- We can do that. That's what we use RF cavities for. RF = radio frequency, the band of the energy used.



DRIFT TUBE LINAC (ALVAREZ LINAC)

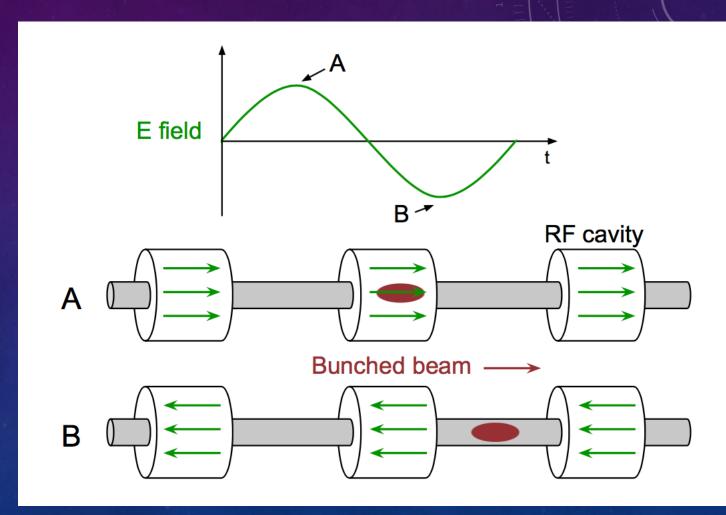
- One style of RF cavity, used for the beginning stages of Fermilab's Linac (LINear ACcelerator), which
 accelerates H- ions to 400 MeV
- Metallic structure in which oscillating electric fields are produced and controlled
- When a charged particle encounters an electric field, it experiences a force (a "push")
- This push makes it gain a bit of energy and accelerates it
- But what about the part of the field that points in the "wrong" direction?



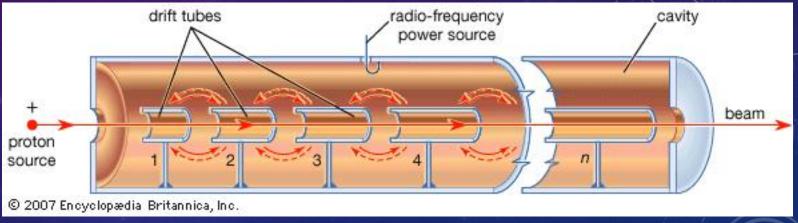


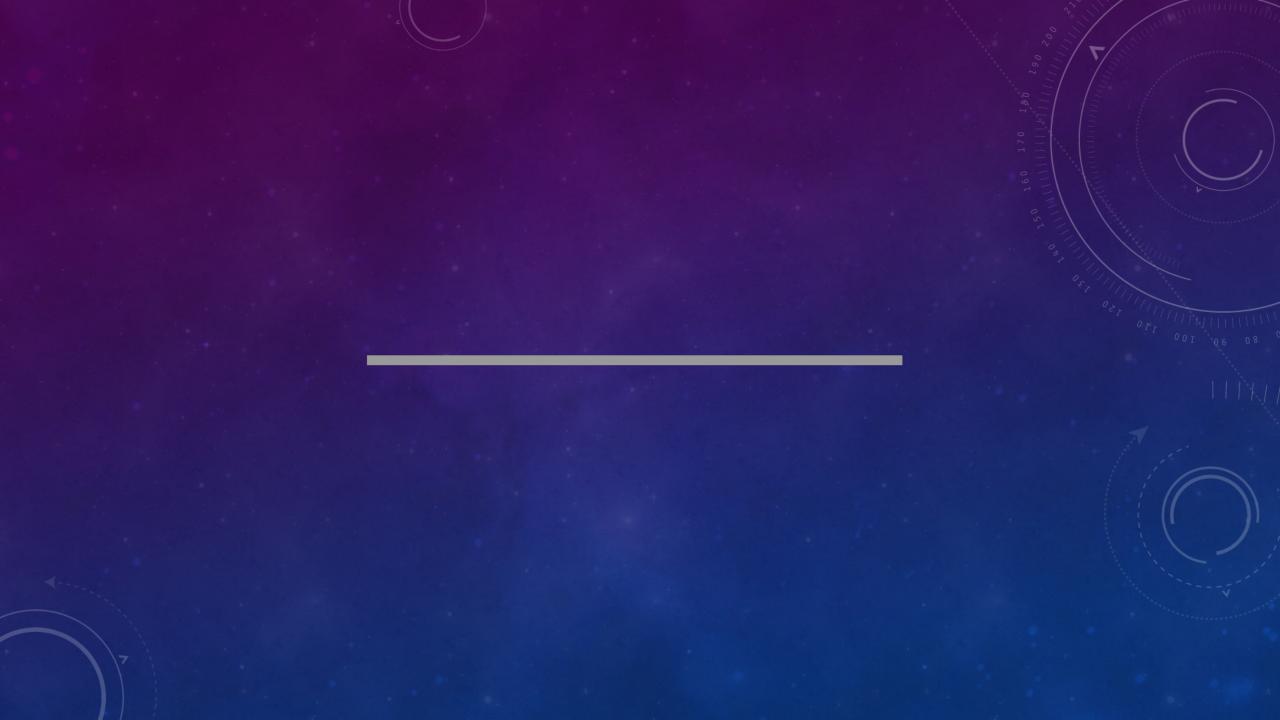
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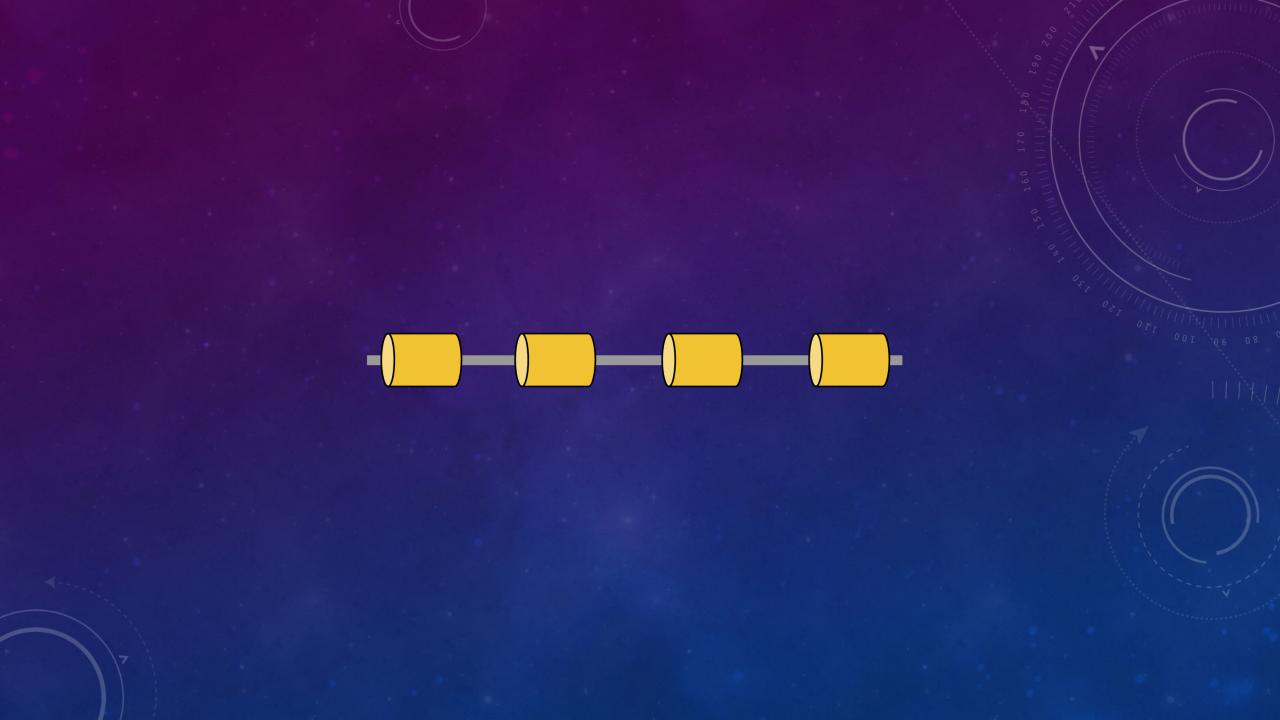
- But what about the part of the field that points in the "wrong" direction?
- Drift tubes block out field
- As the particles travel faster and faster, they cover more distance in the same amount of time
- Drift tubes get longer and longer





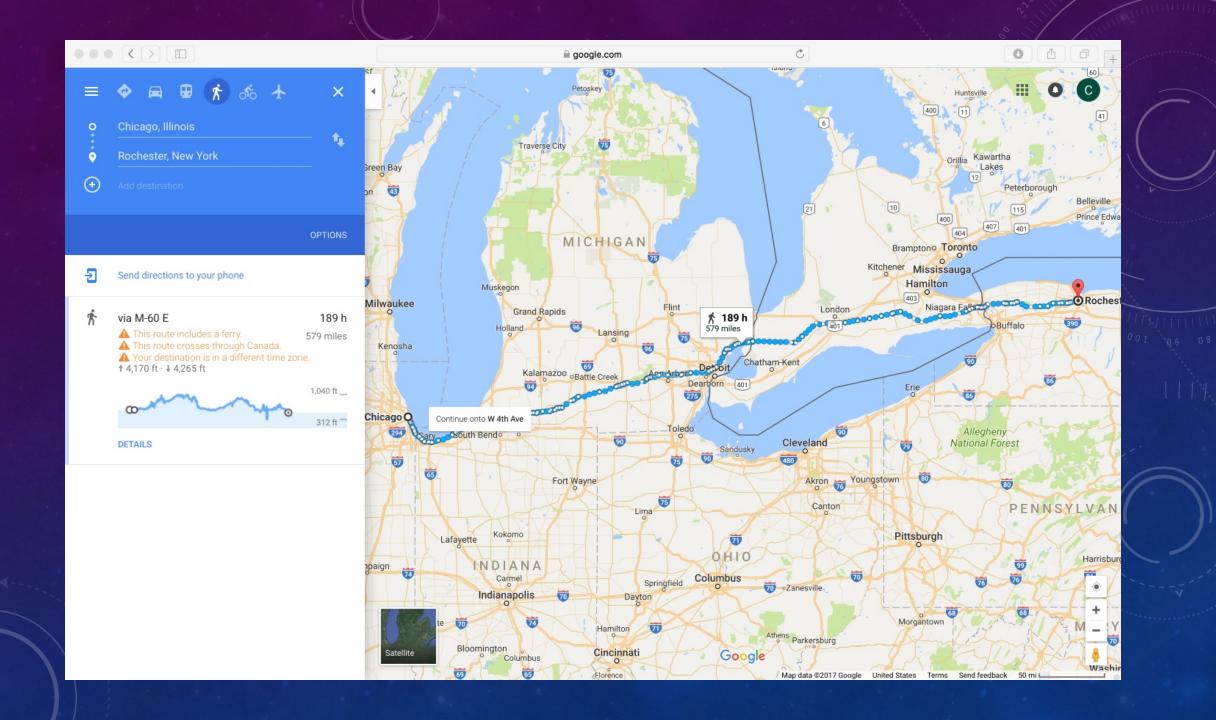


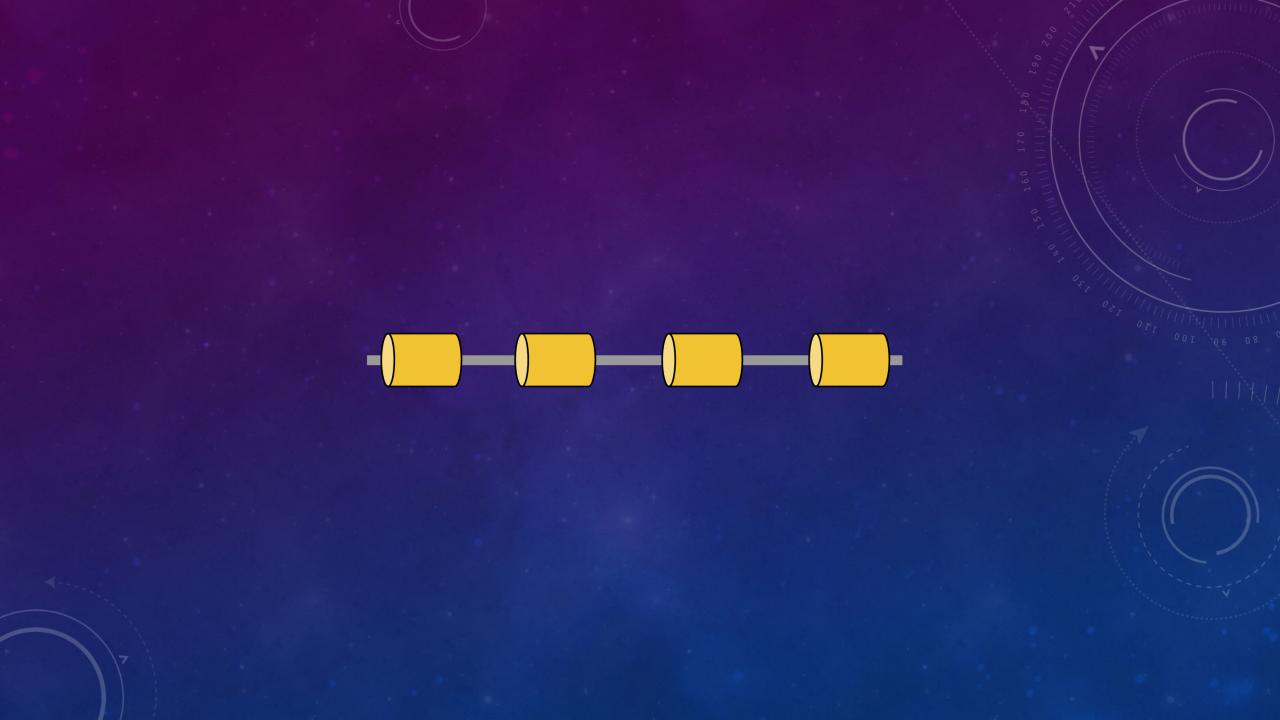




WE HAVE AN ACCELERATOR!

- Now we're in business. Nobel Prize, here we come!
- What if we want to hit very high energies?
- Stanford Linear Accelerator (SLAC)'s linac accelerated electrons up to 50 GeV in 2.0 miles—longest built
- LHC energy gets up to 13 TeV, which comes out to 260 SLACs or 520 miles, which is (direct) distance from Chicago to Rochester, NY

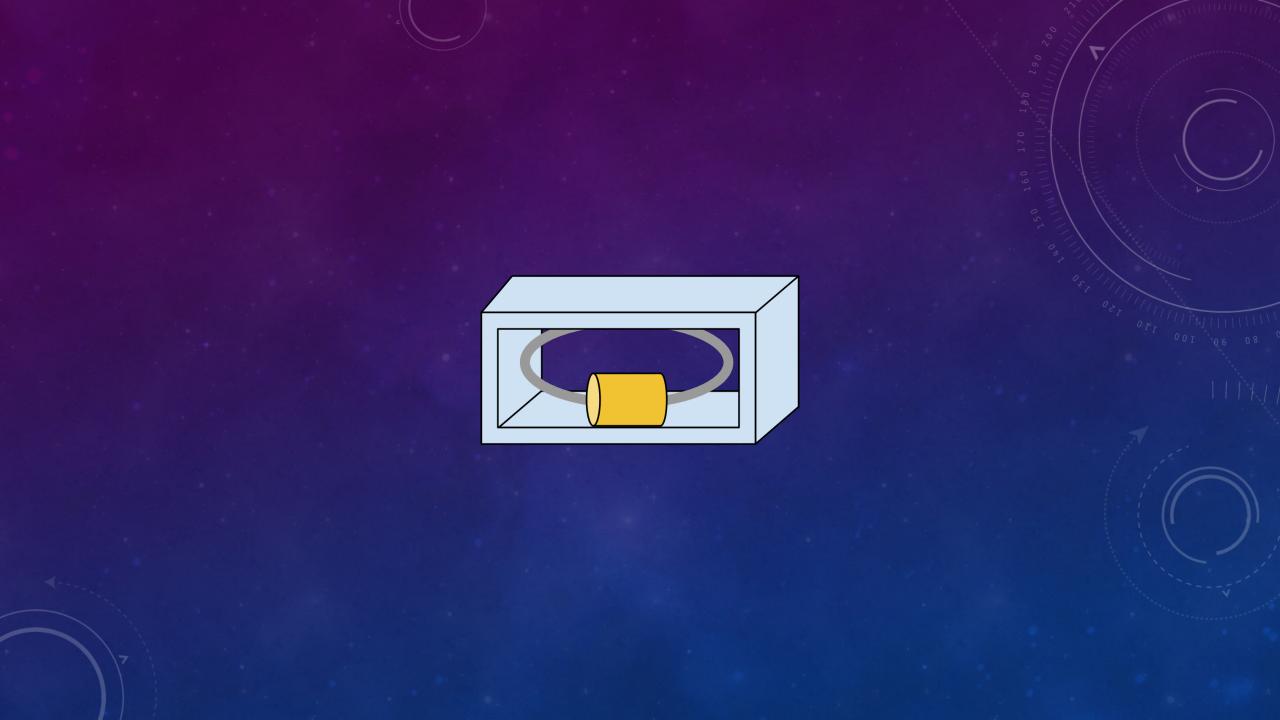






SO HOW DO YOU BEND A CHARGED PARTICLE?

• A charged particle bends in a magnetic field.

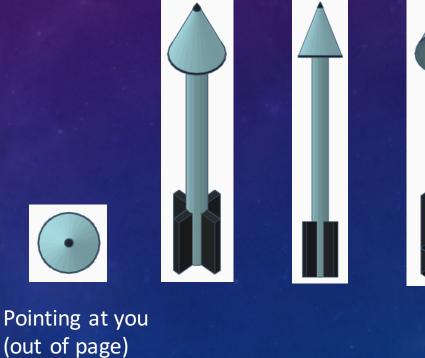


MAGNETIC FIELDS AND FORCES

- Moving charged particles (a.k.a. electric currents) produce magnetic fields
- Those fields interact with other moving charged particles and exert forces on them
- $\vec{F} = q \ \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$: the Lorentz Force
 - "Right hand rule" (for positive particles)

A QUICK NOTE ON NOTATION: ARROWS

- Up, down, left, right
- Out of the page: •
- Into the page: 🛇
- Imagine looking at an arrow end-on



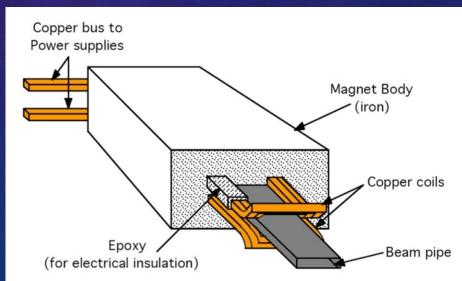


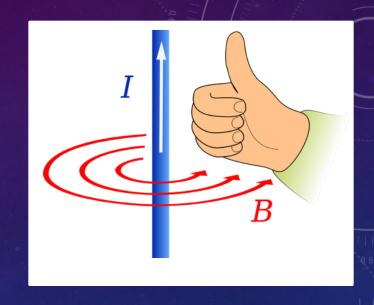
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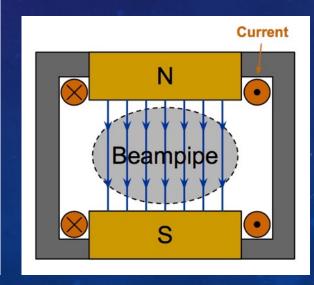
THE RIGHT HAND RULE

There is a version of this for magnetic fields:

- Magnetic Field Right Hand Rule: gives you the direction of the magnetic FIELD formed by current flowing through a wire
 - This is how electromagnets work



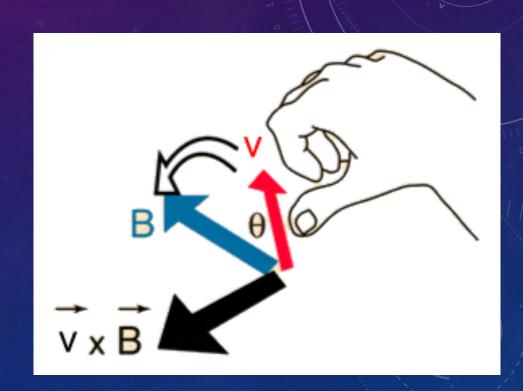




THE RIGHT HAND RULE

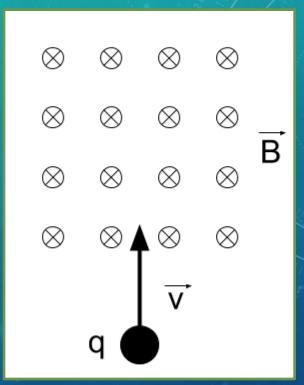
But the one I want to focus on is this:

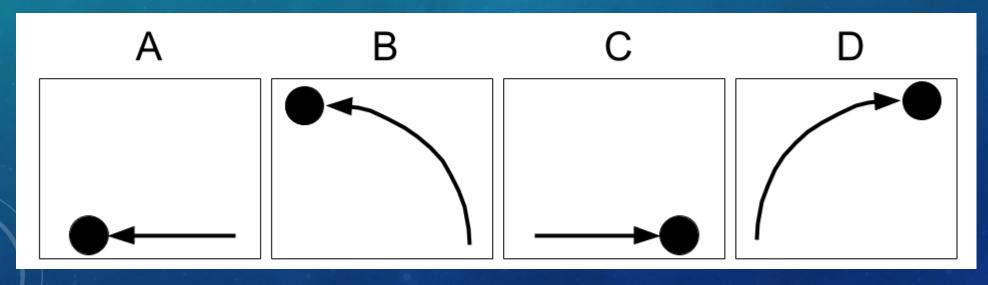
- 2. Lorentz Force Right Hand Rule: gives you the direction of the FORCE exerted by a magnetic field on a charged particle
 - Gives you direction of the force F in $\vec{F} = q \ \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$
 - Point fingers in direction of \vec{v}
 - Curl them in direction of \vec{B}
 - Thumb is pointing in direction of \vec{F}



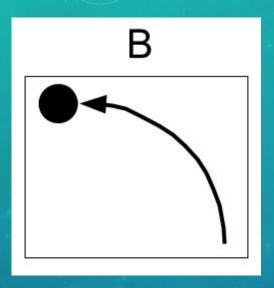
QUESTION

- Suppose a charged particle traveling up (in the drawing) enters a magnetic field pointing into the page/screen.
- Which drawing best represents the path the particle will take after entering the magnetic field?

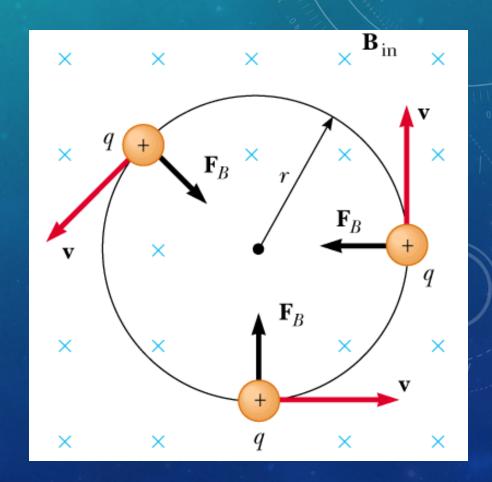


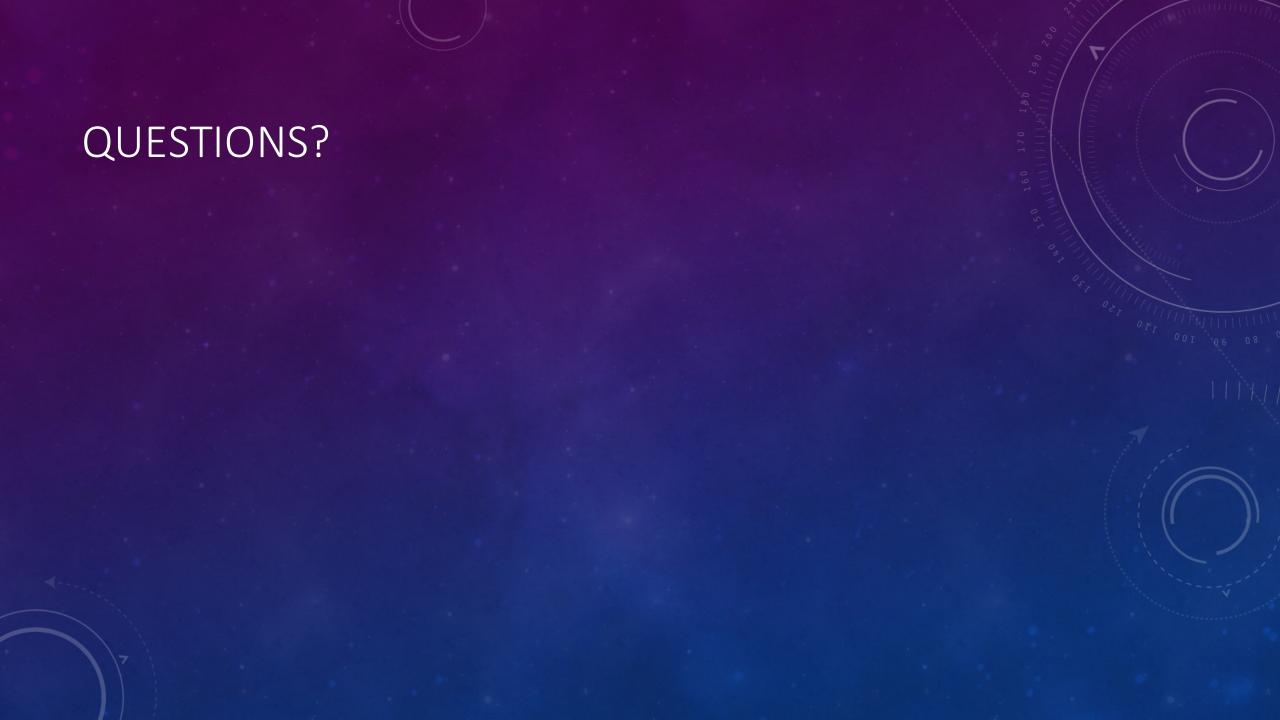


ANSWER



- Use the Lorentz Force Right Hand Rule to find out the force resulting from the magnetic field
- The force a particle experiences from the magnetic field is always perpendicular to its direction of motion
- So it doesn't make it go faster, it doesn't make it slow down, but it does make it continuously steer to the left (while still going forward)
- This results in a circular motion

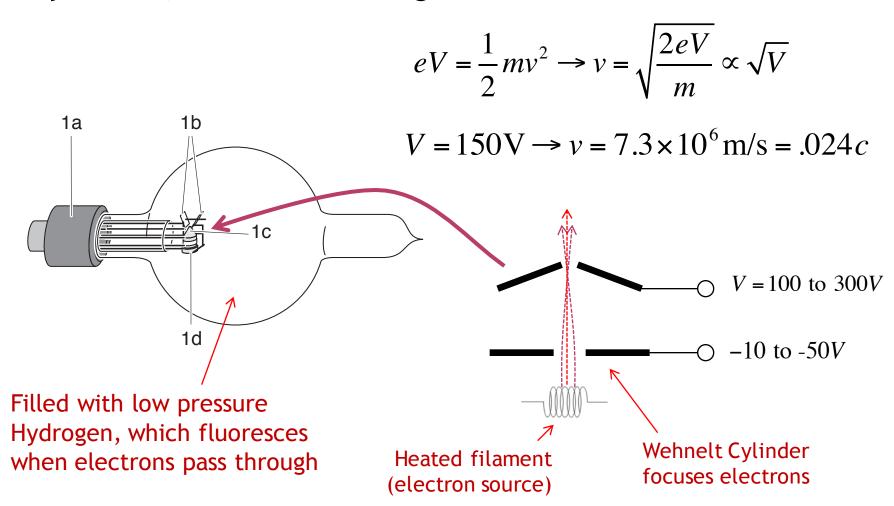






Fine beam tube/Helmholtz coil demonstration

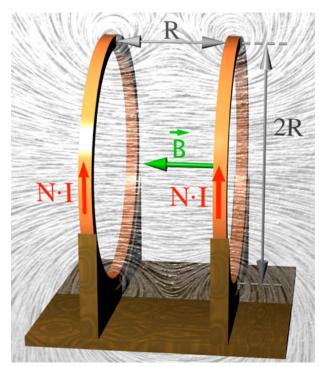
The tube generates an electron beam using a hot filament/cathode,
 "Wehnelt Cylinder", and accelerating anode.

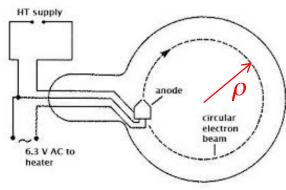




Demo (cont'd)

• The Helmholtz Coils produce a ~uniform magnetic field





$$B = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{\mu_0 NI}{R} \propto I$$

$$\rho = \frac{mv}{eB}$$

$$\propto \frac{v}{B}$$

$$\propto \frac{\sqrt{V}}{I}$$

CYCLOTRON

- Charged particles react to an electric field by accelerating
- They react to a magnetic field by changing their direction
- The cyclotron uses:
 - A split RF cavity (Dees) with an accelerating gap in the middle and oscillating electric field
 - Two large magnets to produce a uniform magnetic field perpendicular to the direction in which the particles travel
- Characteristic spiral pattern as particle accelerates and radius of curvature gets larger
- Often used today for medical purposes: proton therapy, production of medical isotopes. Compact, cost-effective, reliable.



The Cyclotron (1930's)

 A charged particle in a uniform magnetic field will follow a circular path of radius

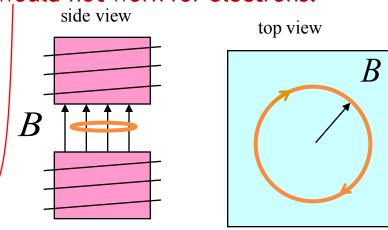
$$\rho = \frac{p}{qB} \approx \frac{mv}{qB} \quad (v \ll c)$$

$$f = \frac{v}{C} = \frac{v}{2\pi\rho} = \frac{v}{2\pi} \frac{qB}{mv}$$

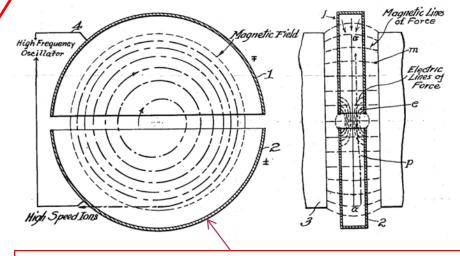
$$= \frac{qB}{2\pi m} \text{ (constant!!)}$$

For a proton: $f_C = 15.2 \times B[T]$ MHz i.e. "RF" range

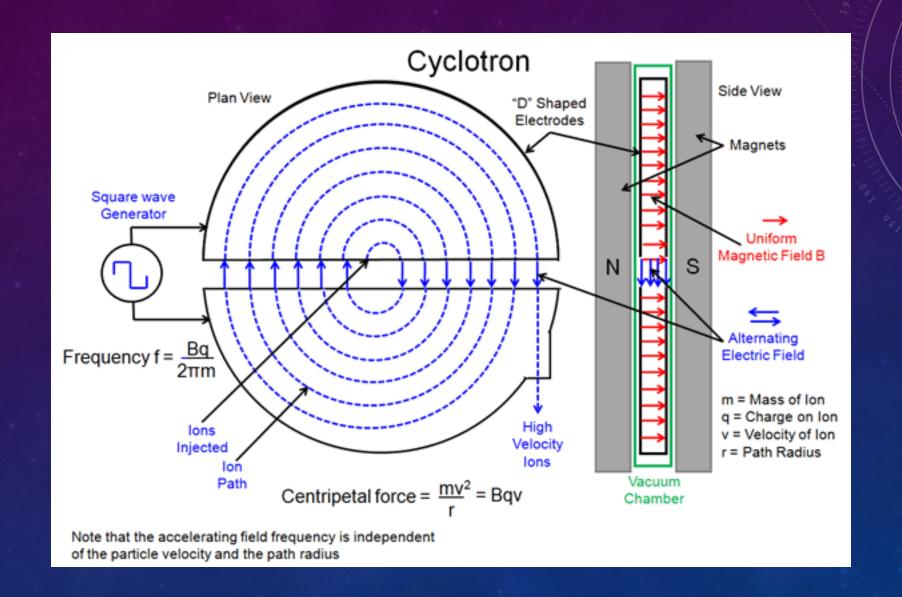
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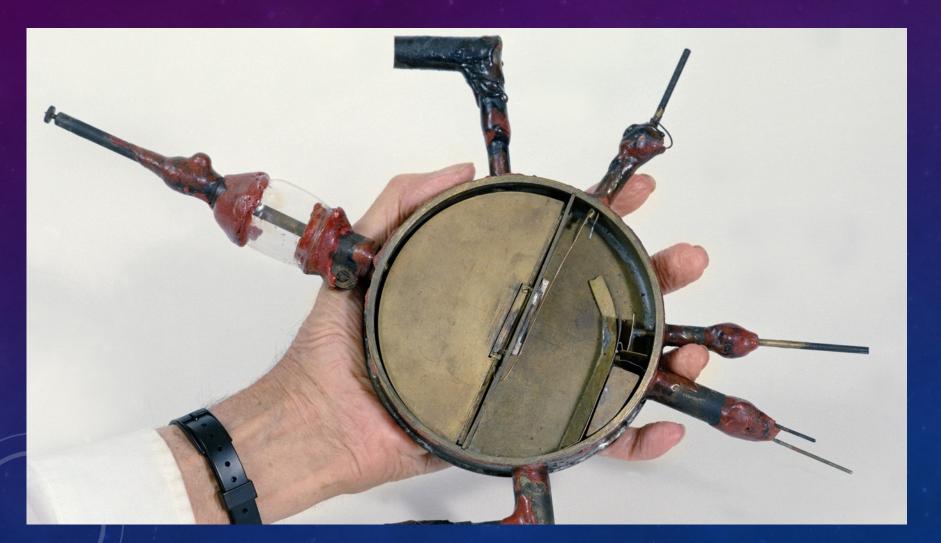
"Cyclotron Frequency"



Accelerating "DEES": by applying a voltage which oscillates at f_c , we can accelerator the particle a little bit each time around, allowing us to get to high energies with a relatively small voltage.



E. O. LAWRENCE'S CYCLOTRON





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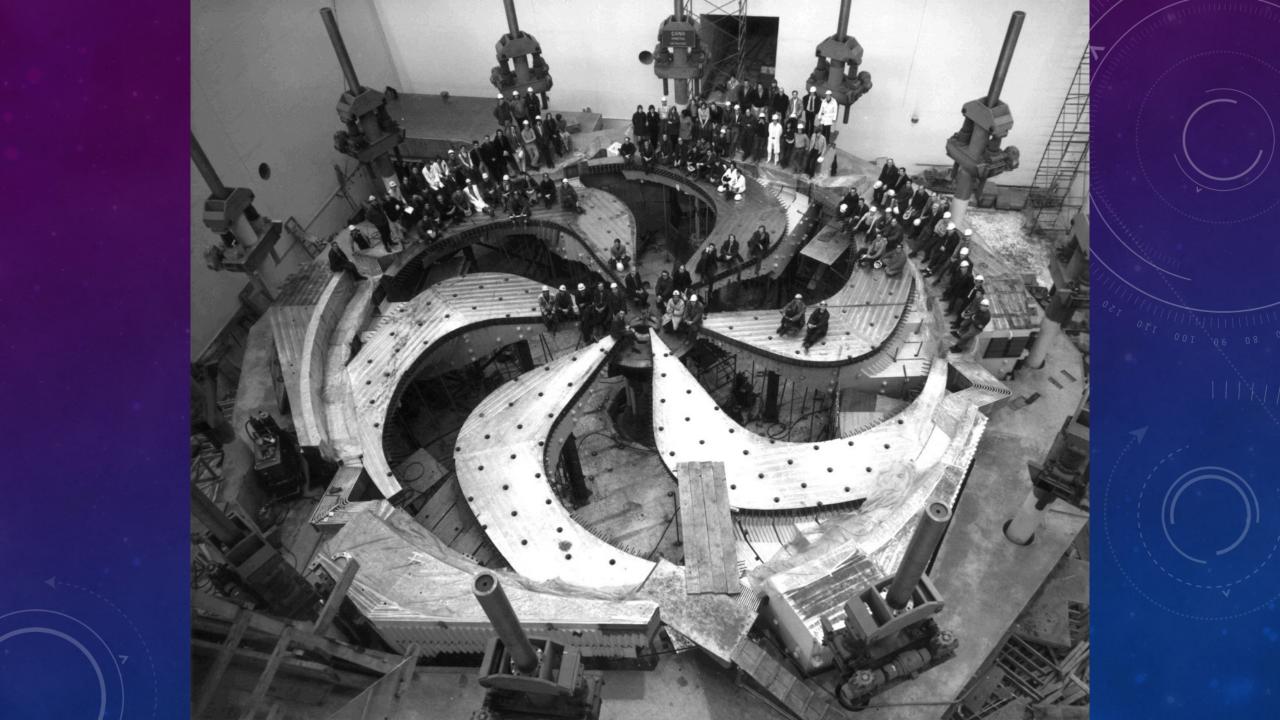
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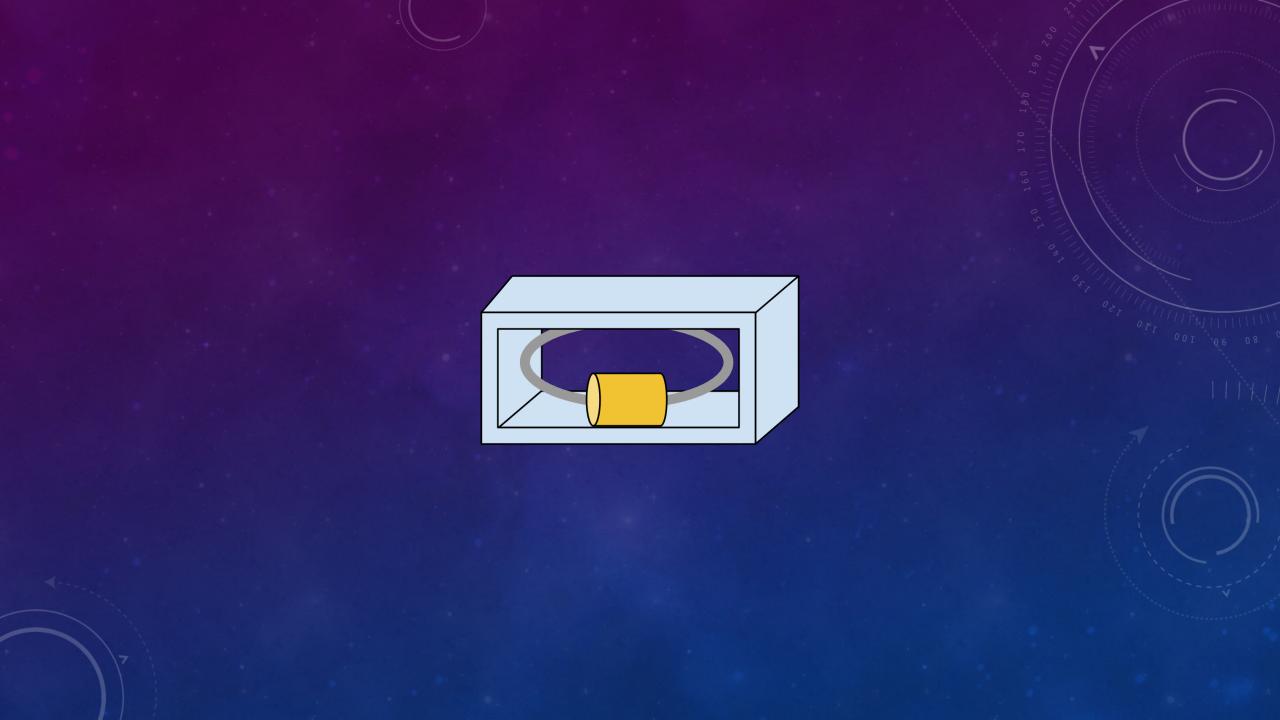
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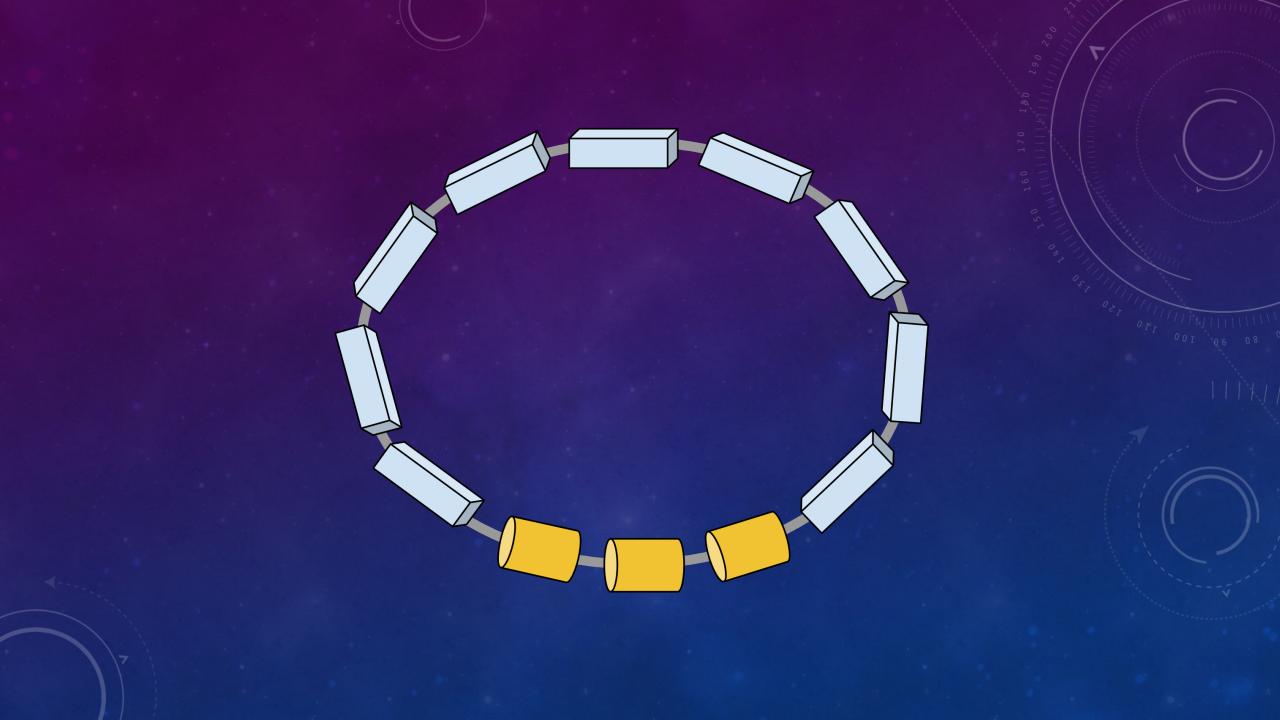




HOW MUCH BIGGER CAN YOU GO?

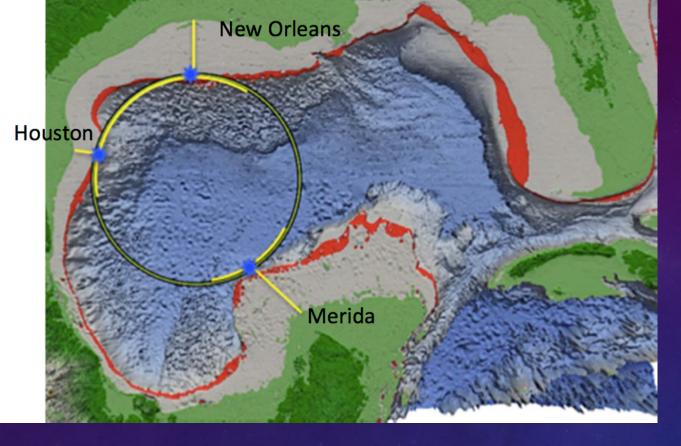
- It would be great if we could use smaller magnets, re-use magnets
- In fact, it would be great if we could get the beam to trace out exactly the same path, no
 matter what energy it is. Then you could re-use everything.





SYNCHROTRON

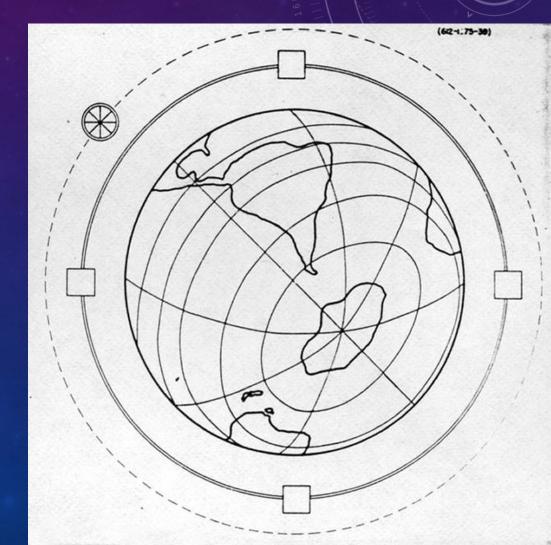
- The cyclotron has a uniform magnetic field, so as the particles accelerate, they trace out larger and larger circles
- What if we wanted the radius to stay the same? Increase the magnetic field as the particles go faster and faster. If done in a synchronized manner, the particles take the same path.
- The highest energy machines are all synchrotrons
- Fermilab's Main Ring and then Tevatron (1983-2011), the LHC at CERN



S. Assadi et al, Accelerator Research Lab at Texas A&M University, from a talk given at NAPAC 2016

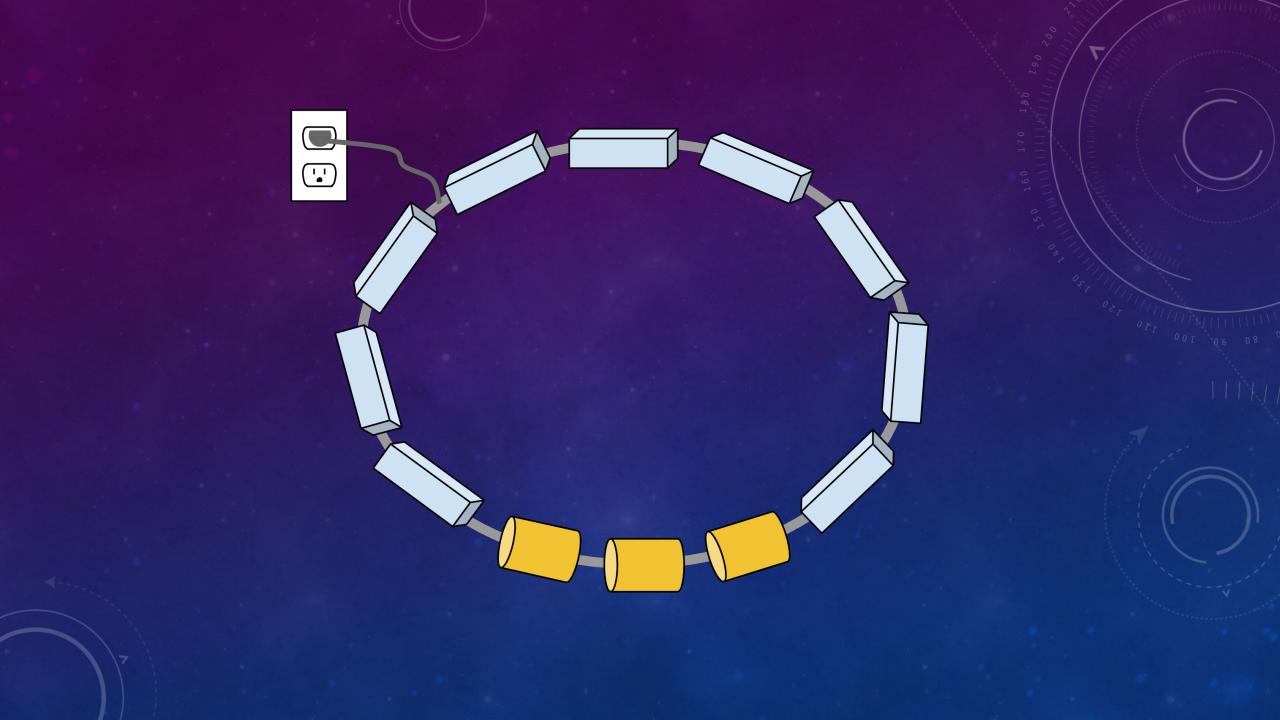
Theoretical...for now

Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library, from a 1954 talk given by Enrico Fermi



OTHER PRACTICAL CONCERNS?

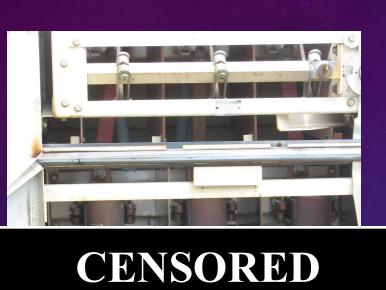
• (And questions?)



HIGH VOLTAGE



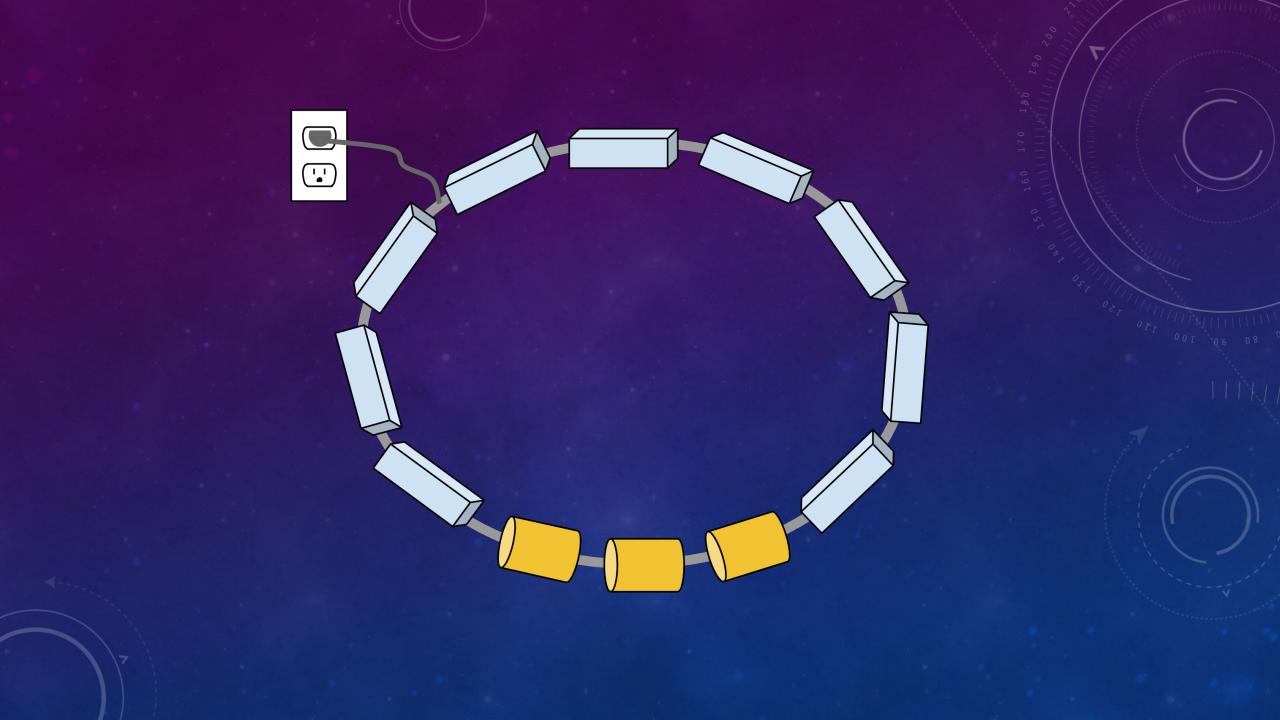
- Everything runs on electricity! LOTS of electricity.
- Contrary to popular belief, we do not make our own electricity—we buy it from the electric company like everybody else
- Power supplies of various sorts may put out up to 200,000 A (1 A = a toaster!) for high-current applications or 30,000 volts or more for high-voltage applications
- Any interruption to power is debilitating (lightning strikes...water leaks...snakes...)

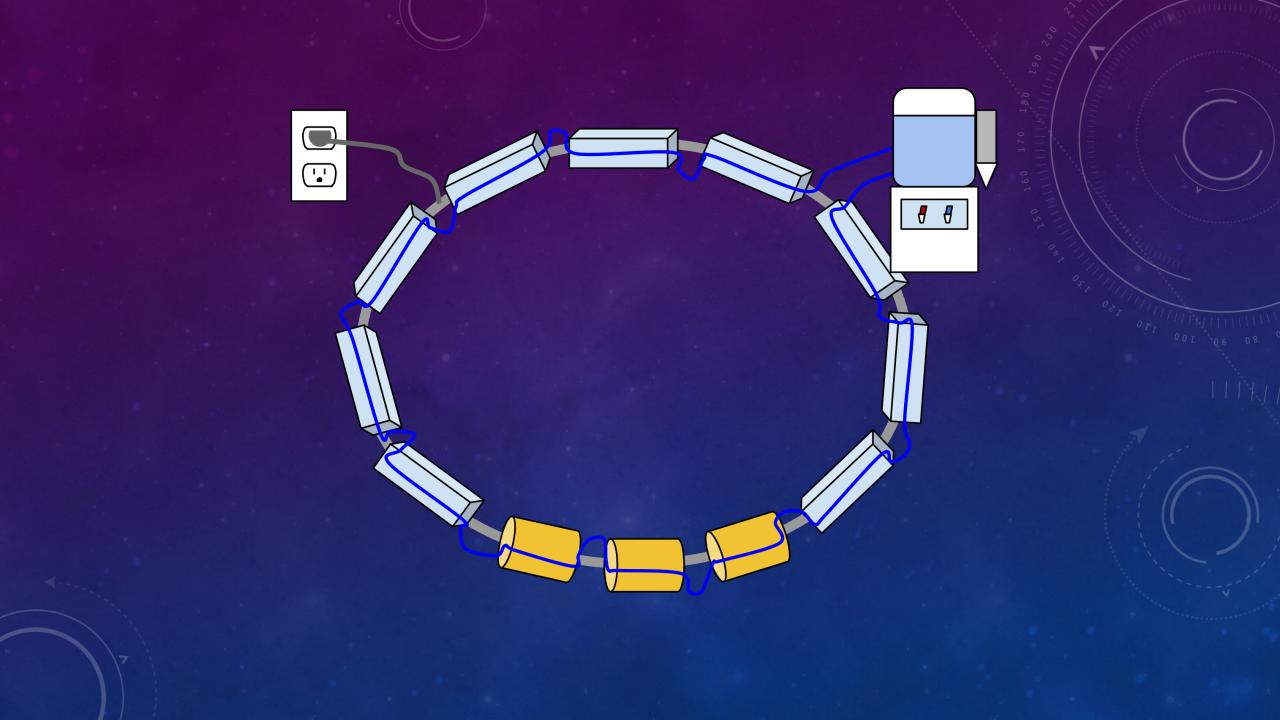


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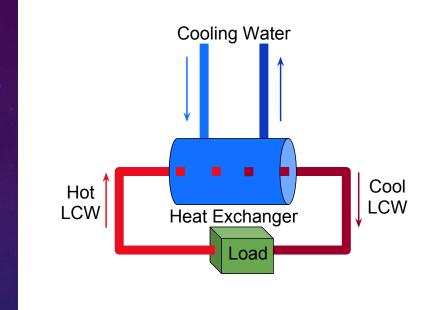


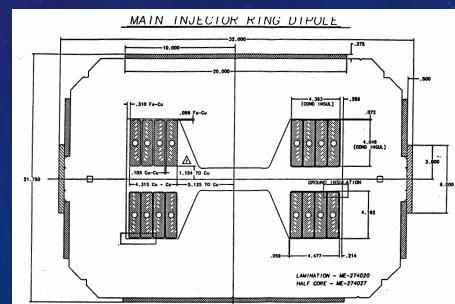




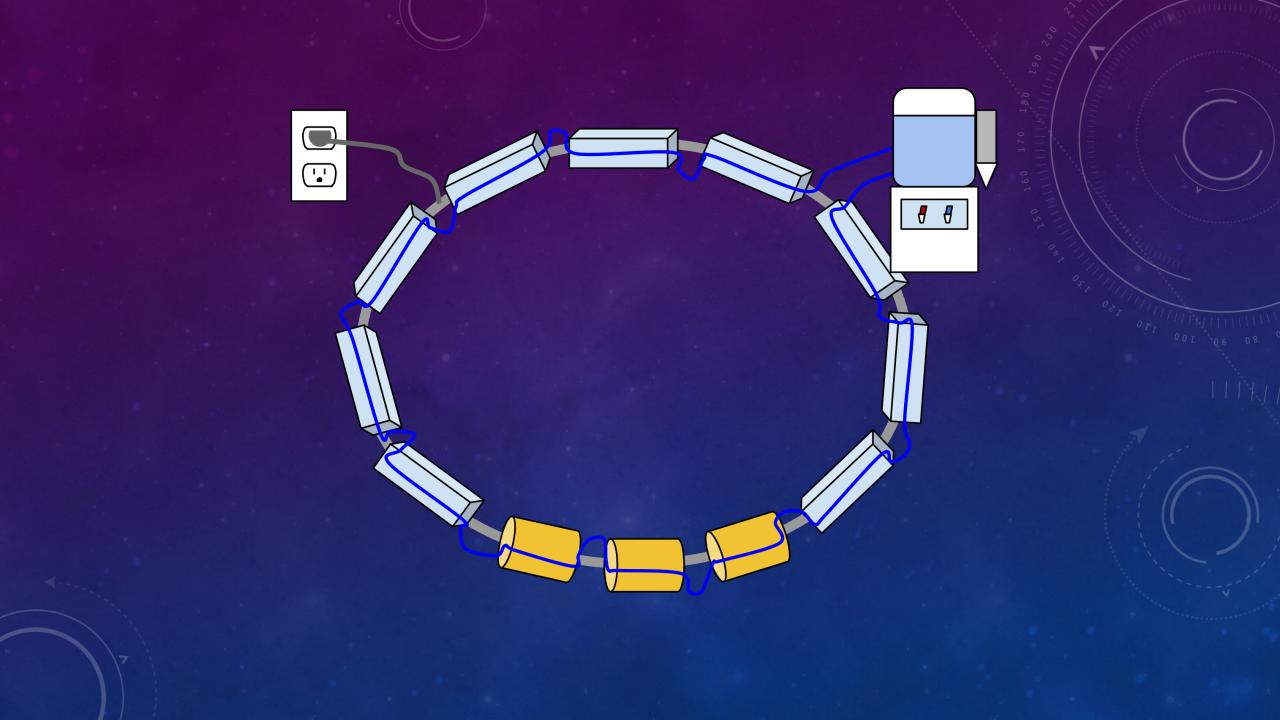
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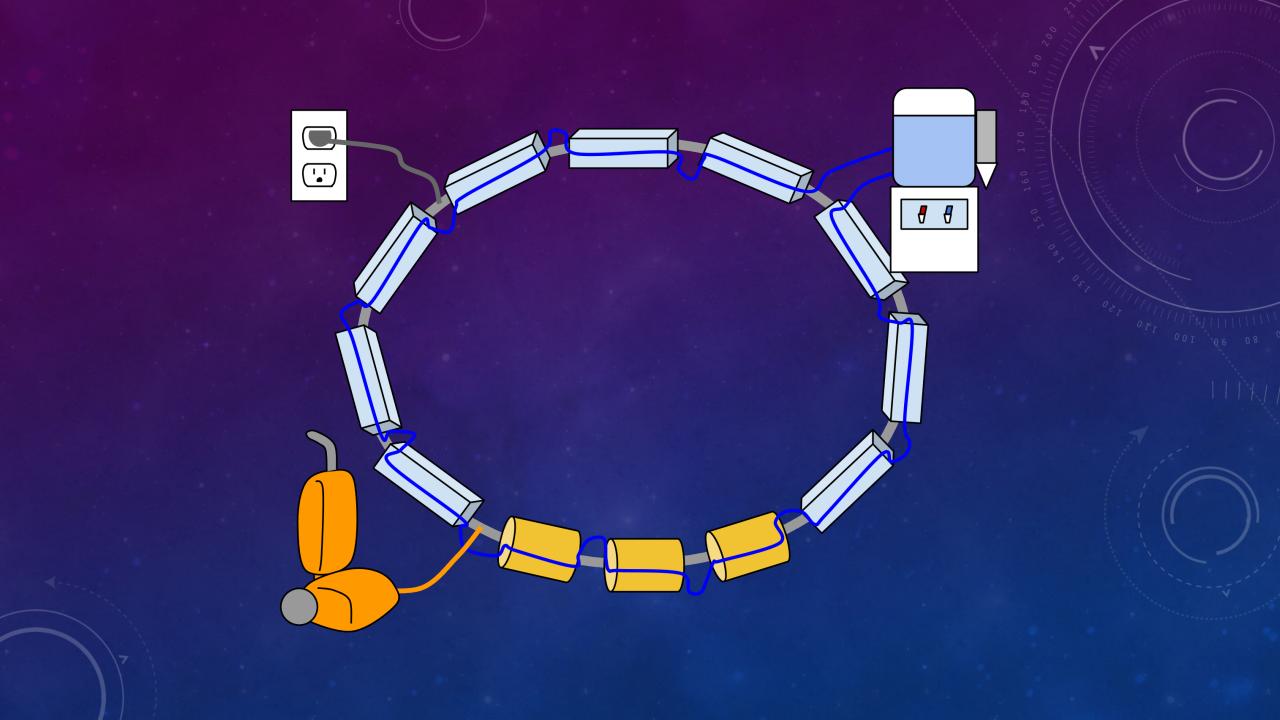
- Power supplies, magnets, RF cavities, and other components get so hot while in use that they often need cooling.
- LCW = Low Conductivity Water
- LCW can be pumped safely through electrical systems for cooling.
- Cooling water carries the heat away and heat exchangers allow us to discharge the heat elsewhere.











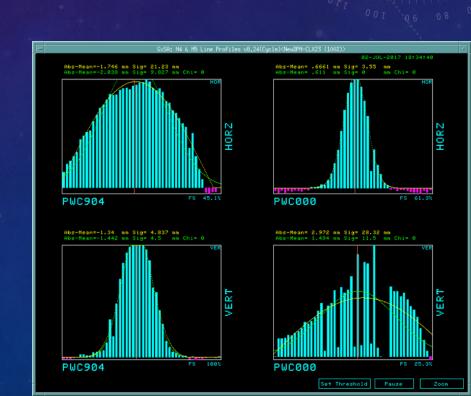
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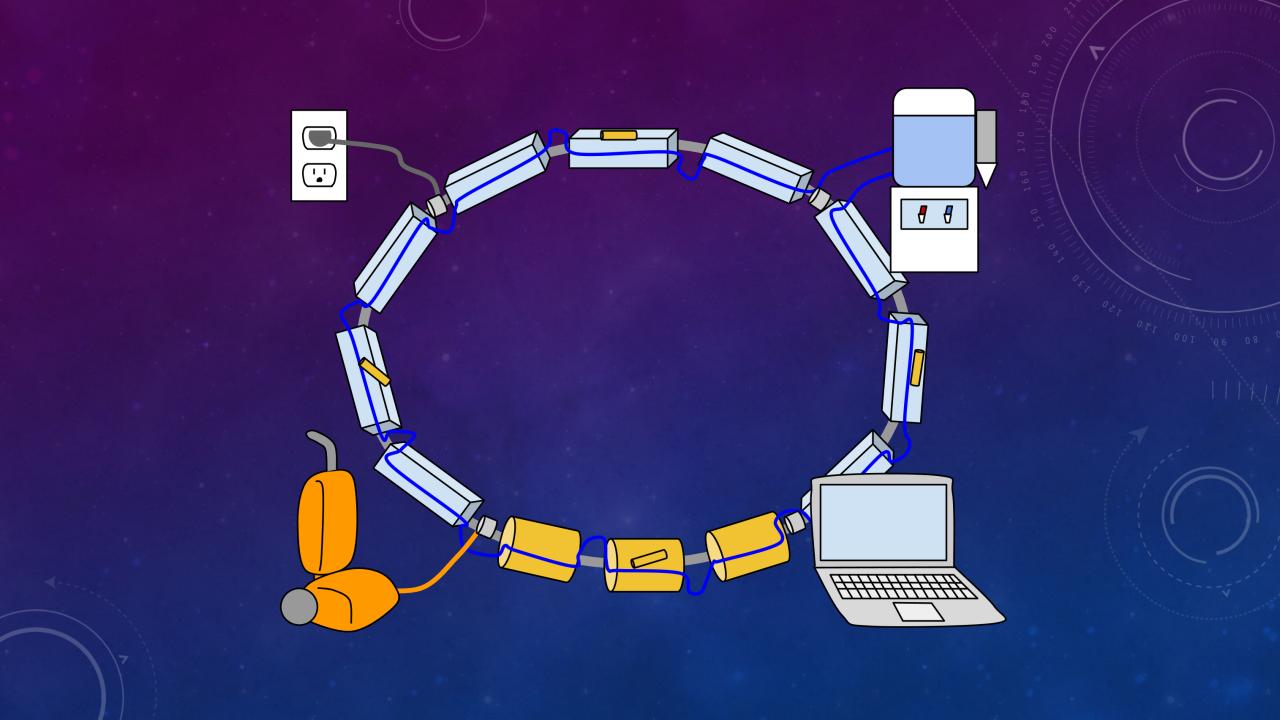
- Empty the beampipe of everything but beam, and maintain that emptiness
- In some cases we pump down to vacuum levels like that in outer space around Earth's moon
- Different kinds of vacuum pumps: roughing, turbo, ion
- Even cryogenics, used in superconducting applications, can provide vacuum improvement: by freezing stray gases solidly to the sides of the beampipe



CONTROLS, DIAGNOSTICS, & INSTRUMENTATION

- Also, we need a way to see what's going on!
- Feed back information about what's going on with the accelerator components and the beam
- Ways to make changes, corrections, and adjustments





THE REAL WORLD

- As in, not the theoretical design world
- Things work imperfectly, things go wrong. You have to figure out how to run your machines and solve problems anyway!
- There is science to be done!

ACCELERATOR OPERATIONS

- You might have been on a tour of including the Linac and Main Control Room, where Fermilab's operators monitor the beam and the entire accelerator complex 24/7/365.
- I talk more about this in my 2015 Fermilab Physics Slam presentation

2015 Physics Slam - Cindy Joe - YouTube



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gb1pTjF_sVg ▼

Dec 2, 2015 - Uploaded by Fermilab

Cindy Joe, Accelerator operator at Fermilab, makes her presentation on a day in her life at the 2015 Fermilab ...

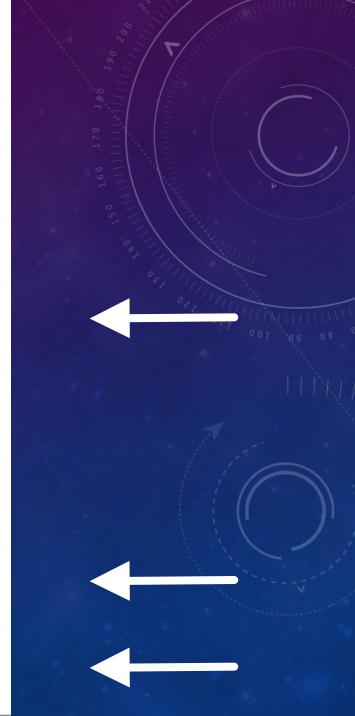




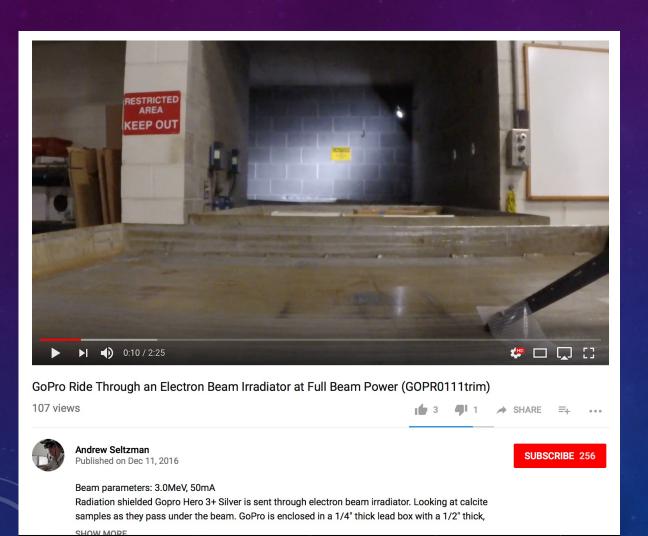
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We also have a full description of these talks and of our speakers.

| Date | Topic (Click for Slides) | Speaker (Click for Photos) | Tours |
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| Sept 23* | Fermilab Open House (Registration is separate from SMP registration) | | |
| Sept 30 | Introduction to Science at Fermilab | Dan Hooper | G1 & G3: Wilson Hall, |
| | | University of Chicago | G2 & G4: Accelerator Division |
| Oct 7 | Einstein and the Modern Physics Revolution | Elliott McCrory | G1 & G3: Accelerator Division, |
| | | Fermilab Accelerator Division | G2 & G4: Wilson Hall |
| Oct 14 | Particle Physics | Cecilia Gerber | G1 – DZero |
| | | University of Illinois at Chicago | G2 – SiDET G3 – Neutrino |
| | | | G4 – GCC |
| Oct 21 | Accelerators | Cindy Joe | G1 – SRF G2 – Neutrino |
| | | Fermilab Neutrino Division | G3 – GCC |
| | | | G4 – DZero |
| Oct 28 | Cosmology | Brian Nord | G1 – Magnets G2 – GCC |
| | | Fermilab Particle Physics Division | G3 – DZero |
| | | | G4 – SRF |
| Nov 4 | Neutrinos | Leo Aliaga | G1 – SiDET G2 – DZero |
| | | Fermilab Scientific Computing Division | G3 – SRF |
| | | | G4 – Magnets G1 – Neutrino |
| Nov 11 | Detectors: Seeing the invisible | Angela Fava | G2 – SRF |
| | | Fermilab Neutrino Division | G3 – Magnets G4 – SiDET |



BONUS: A RIDE THROUGH AN ELECTRON ACCELERATOR



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=THB-xs11juM

A FEW THOUGHTS GOING FORWARD

- There is so much I didn't have time to get into! Explore on your own, ask questions.
- Encouragement!
 - Stay curious.
 - It's OK to ask "stupid" questions.
 - It's more important to gain knowledge (and become smarter) than to look smart to other people.
 - Smart people will know and respect this!
 - Be brave! Seek out what's hard and makes you smarter and stronger.

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- You, for sharing this with me. I hope we get that Nobel Prize together someday.
- Questions?

