

Toohig Fellowship  
Ionisation Cooling for the Neutrino Factory

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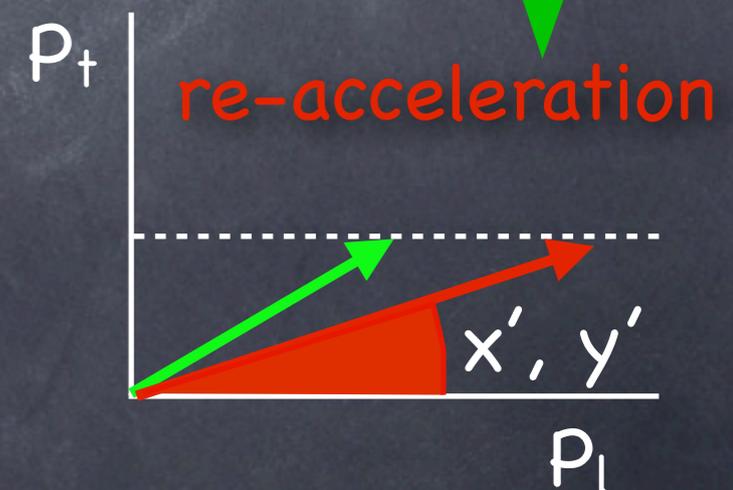
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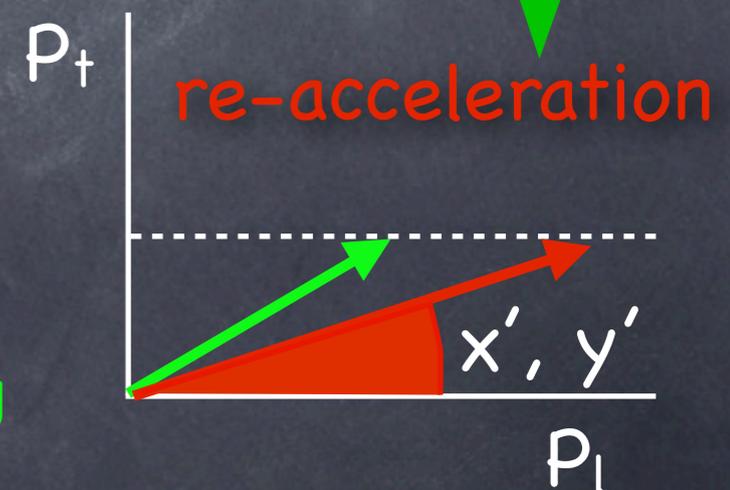
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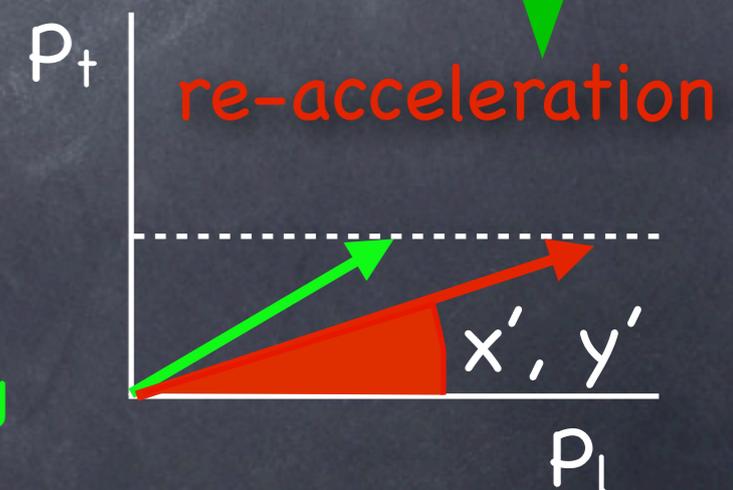
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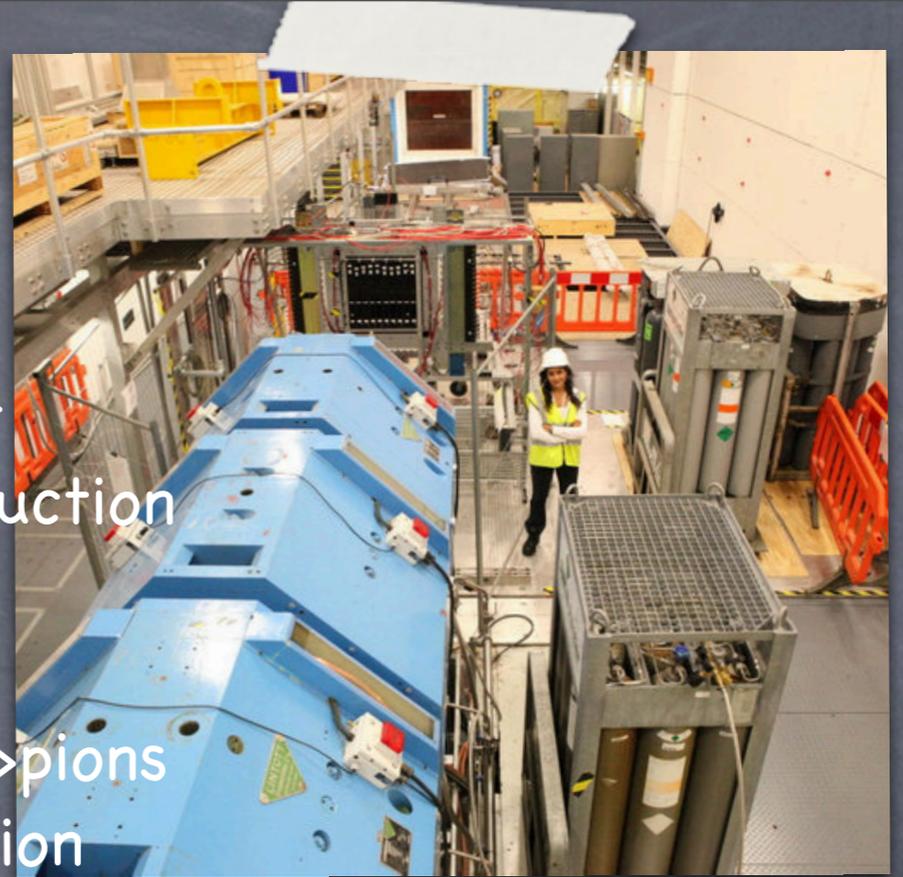
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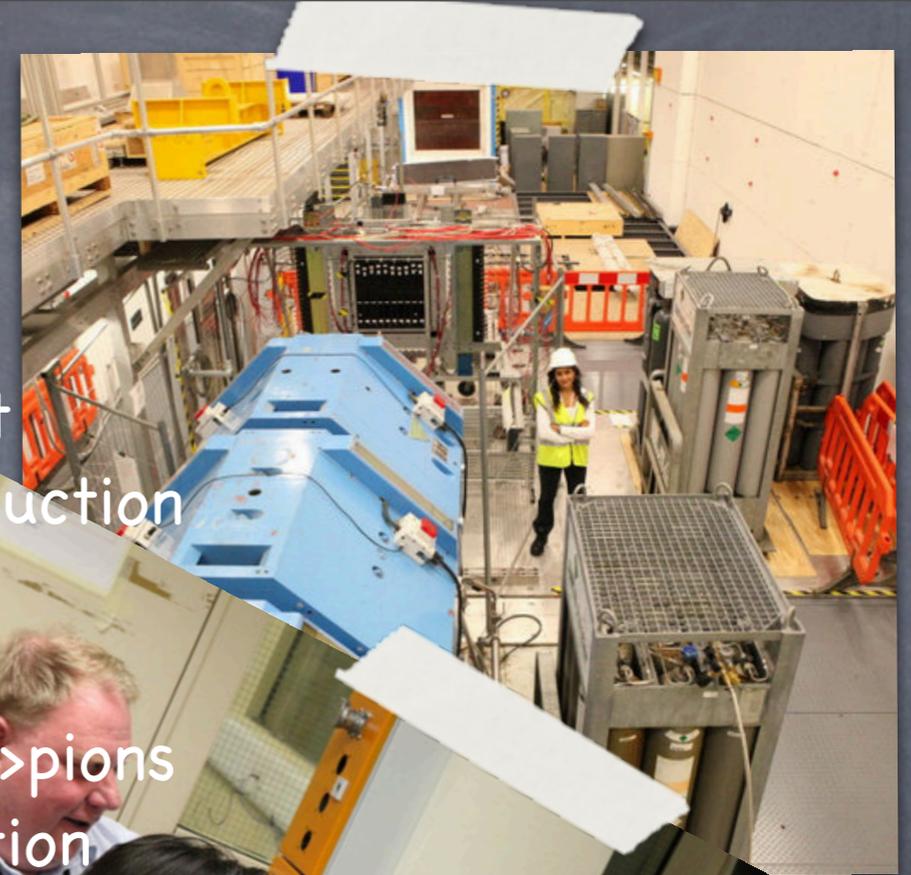
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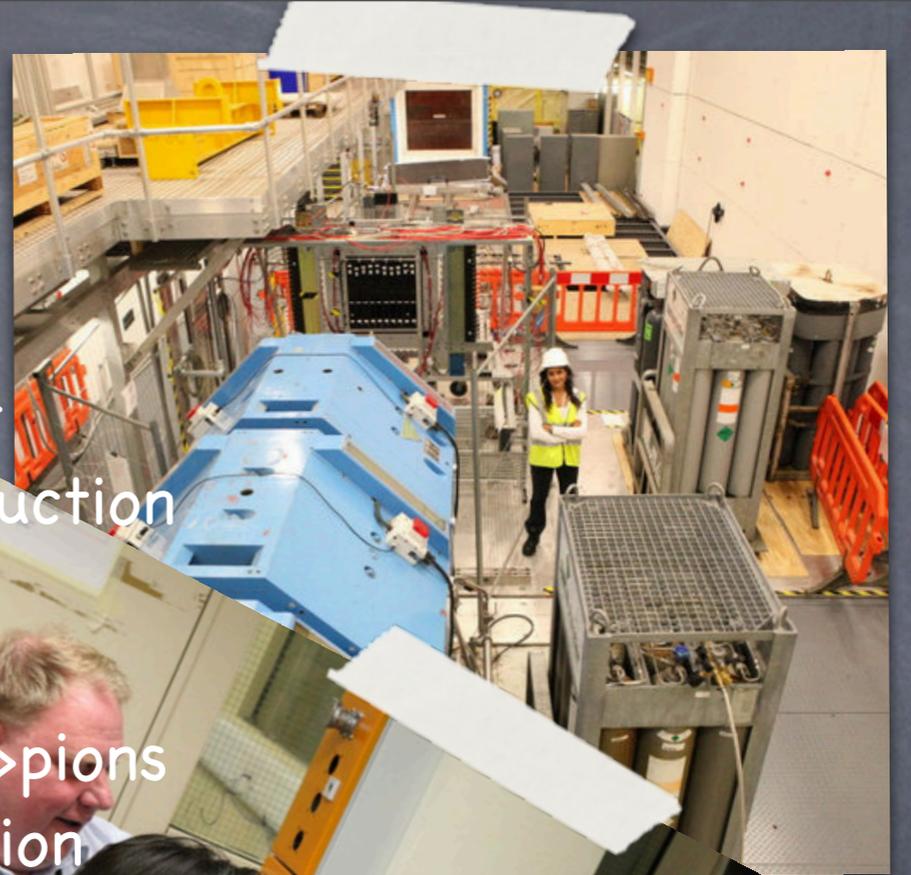
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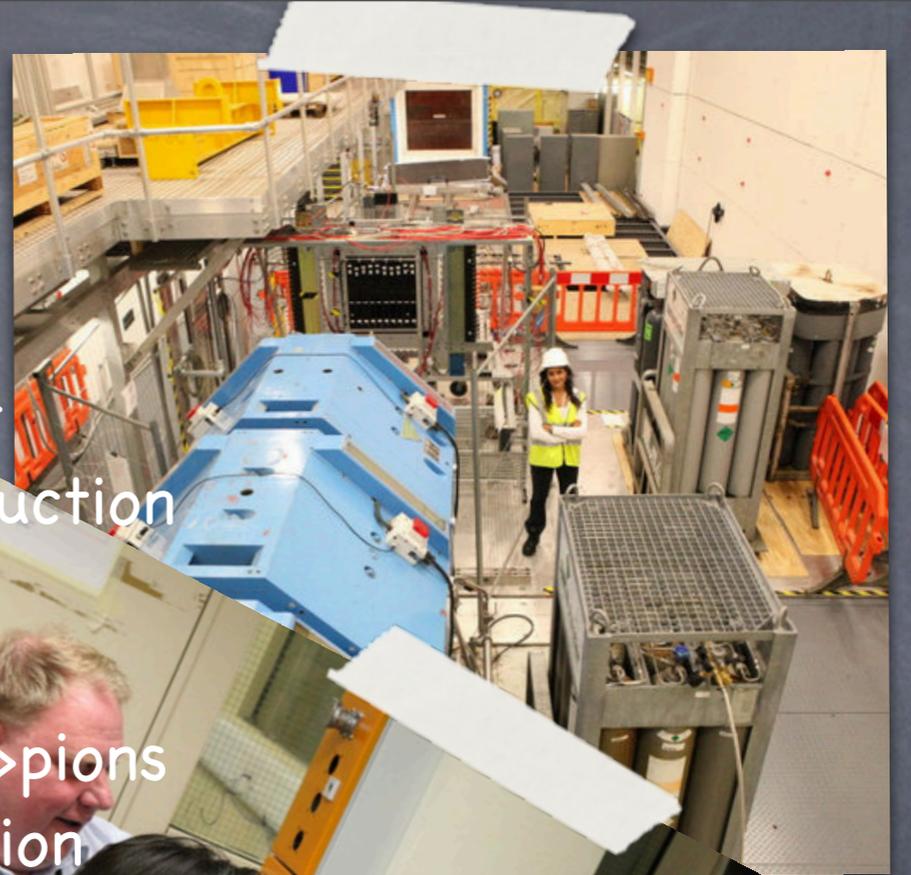
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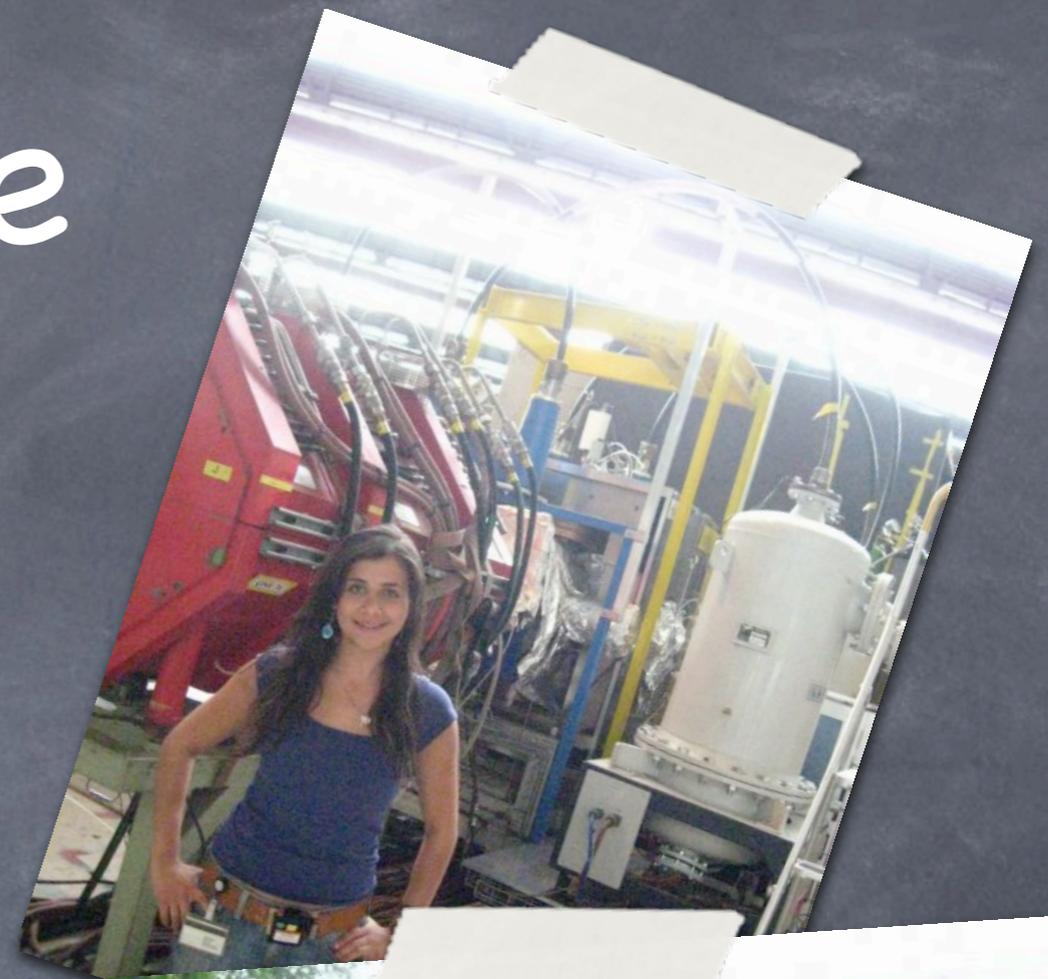
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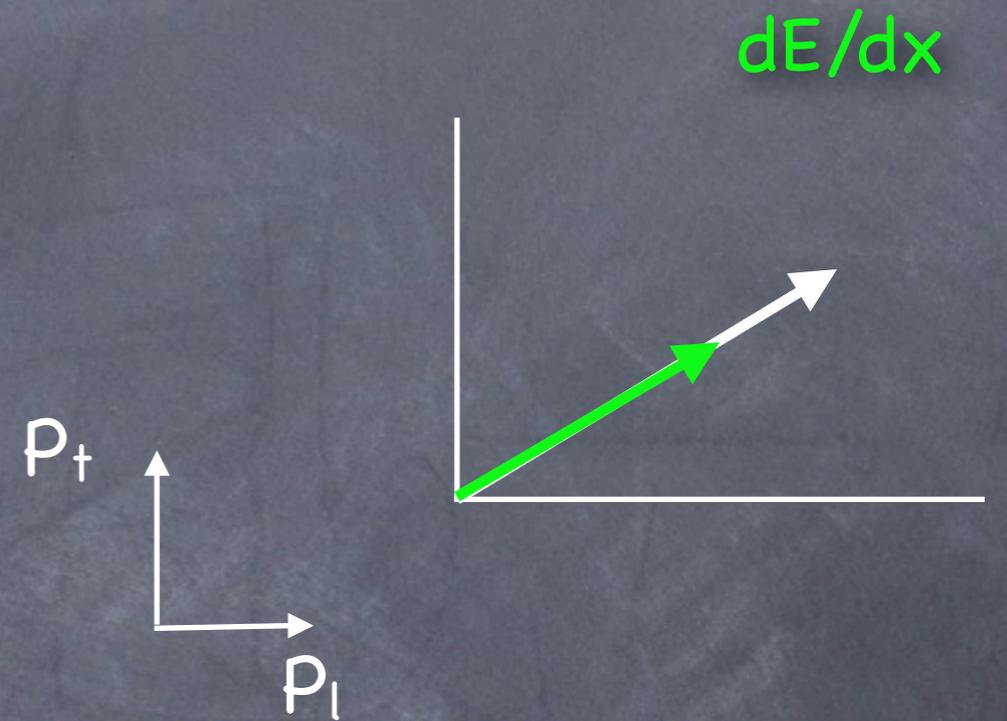
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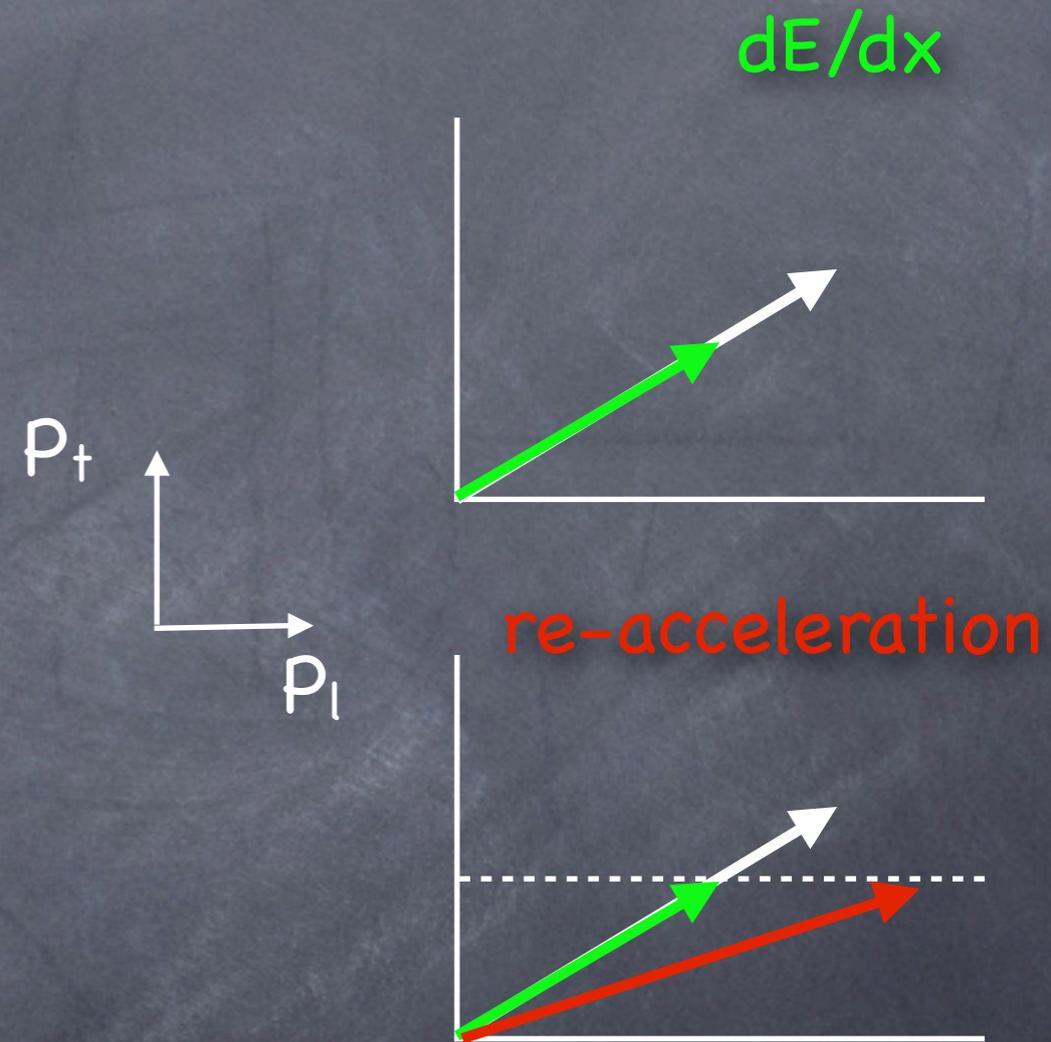
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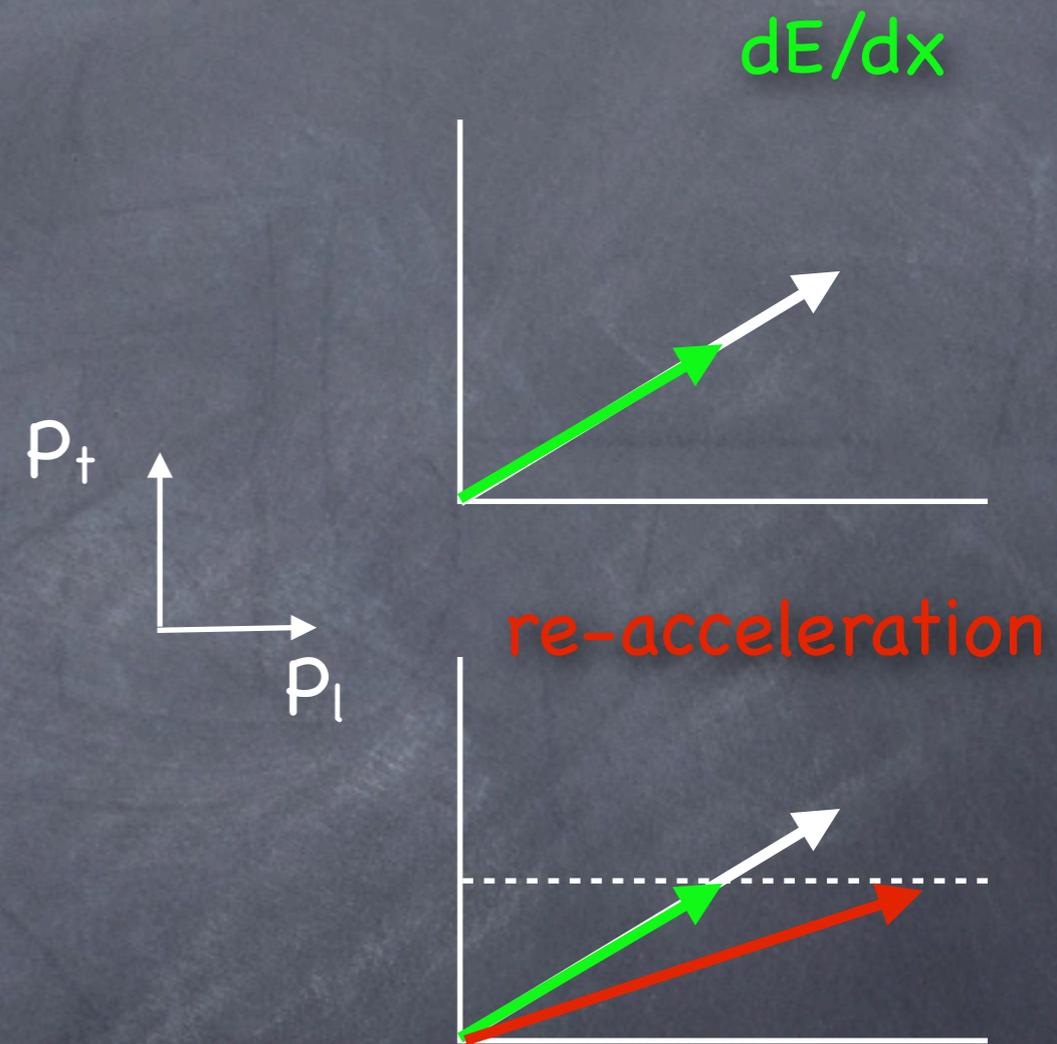
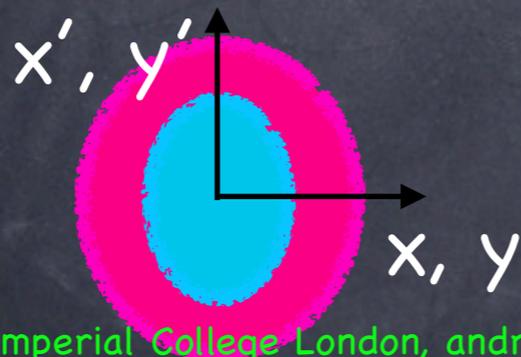
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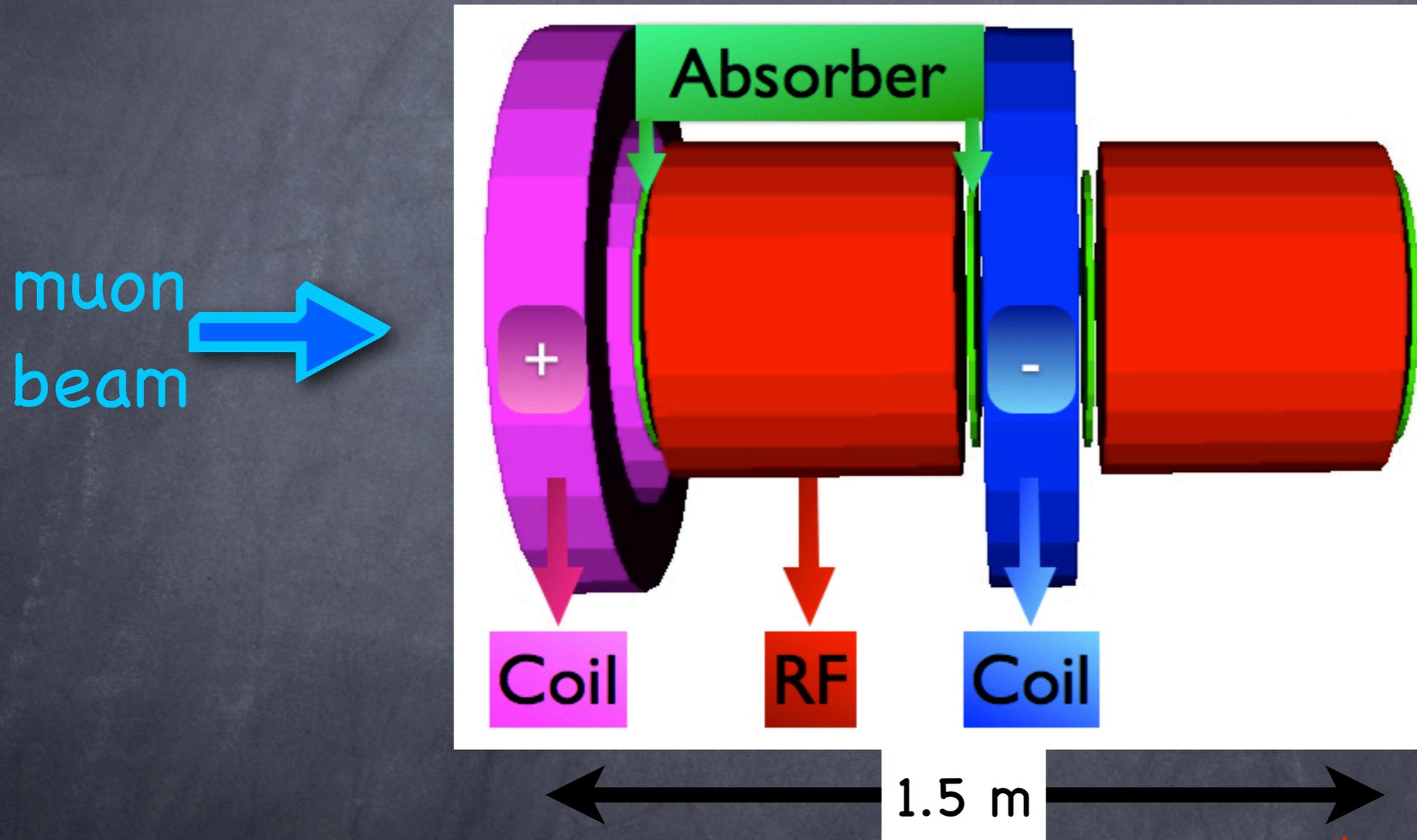
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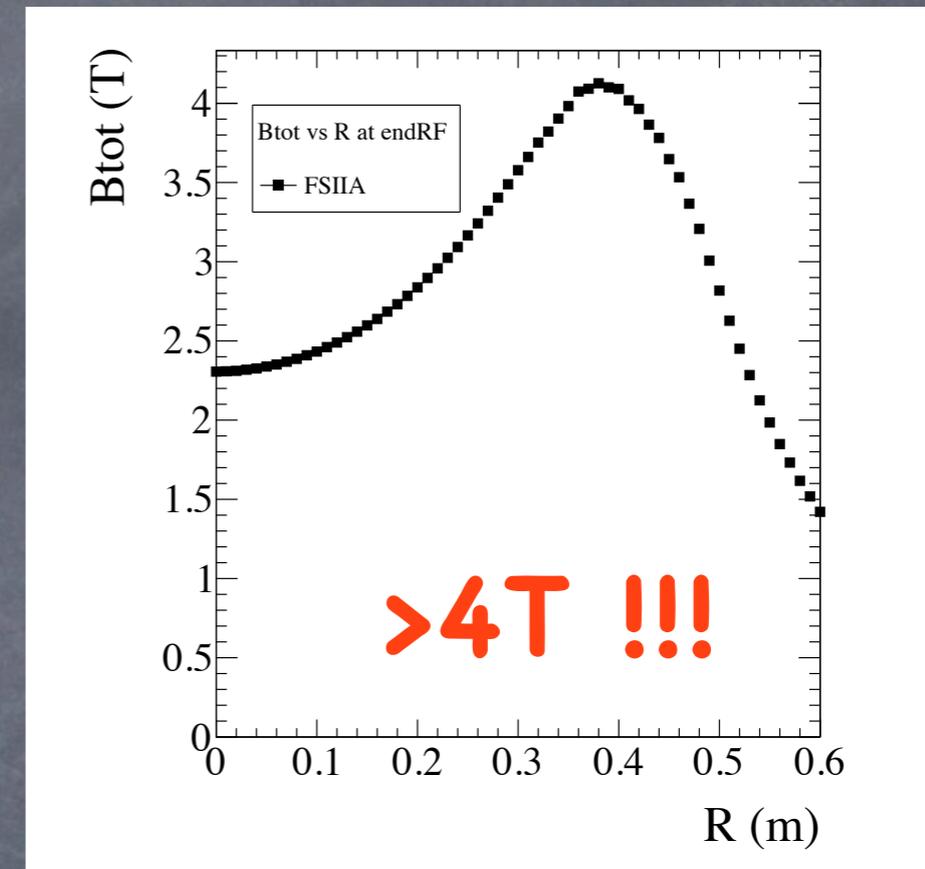
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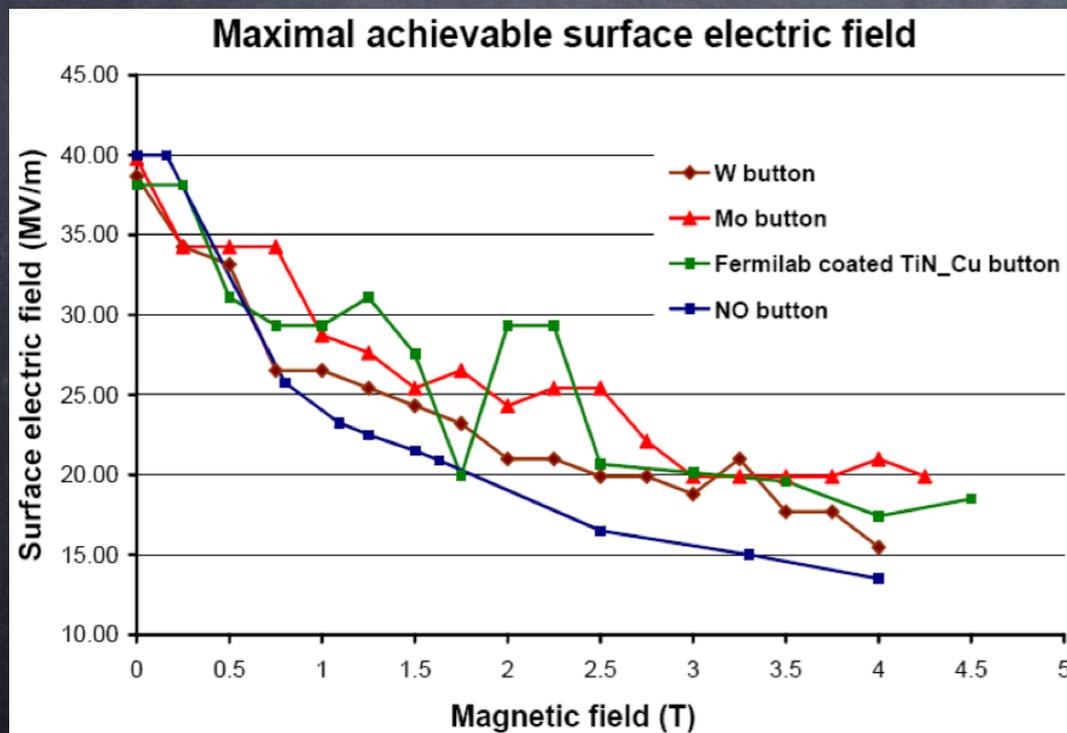
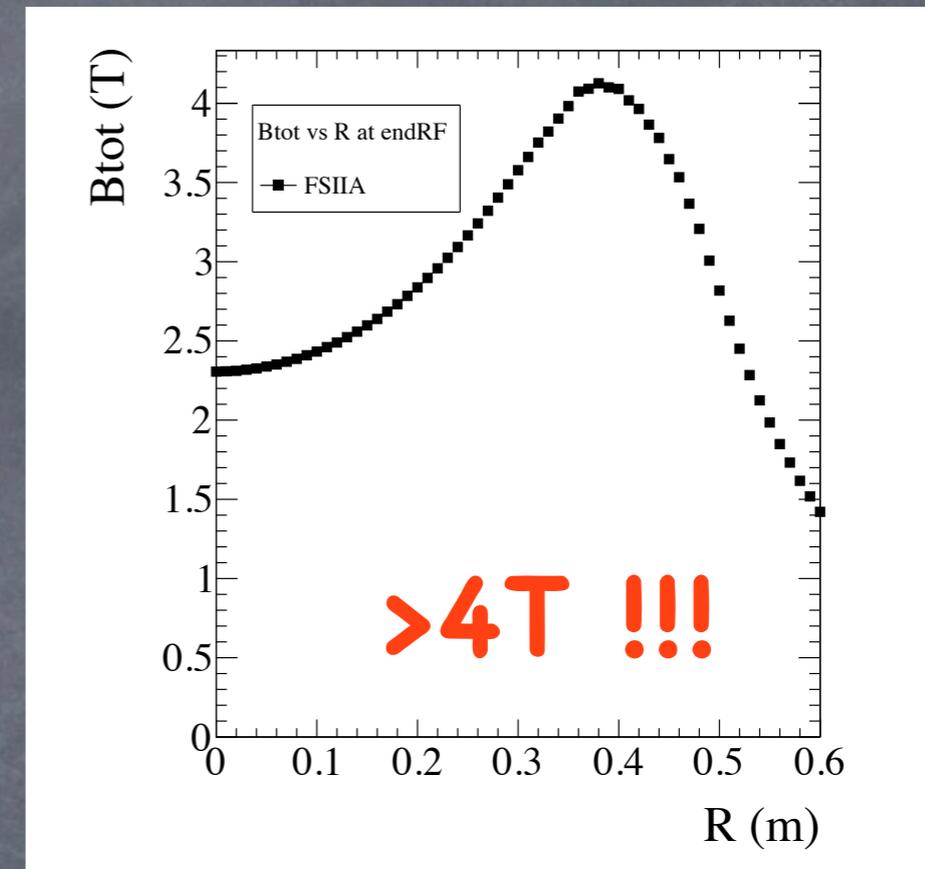
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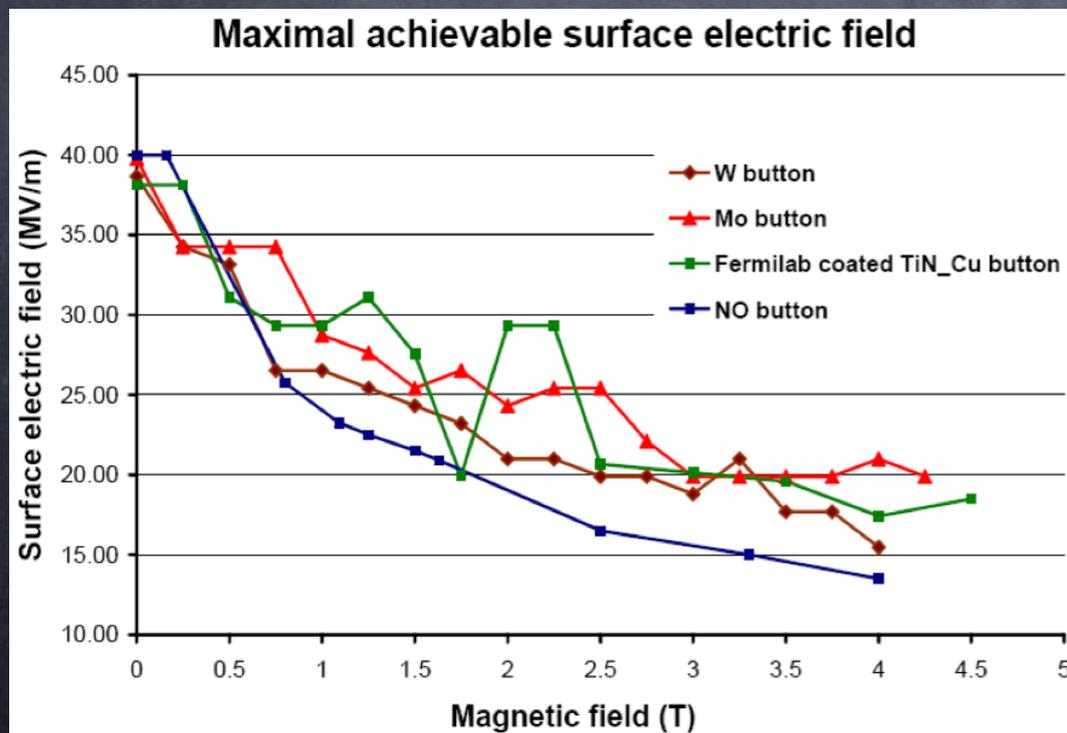
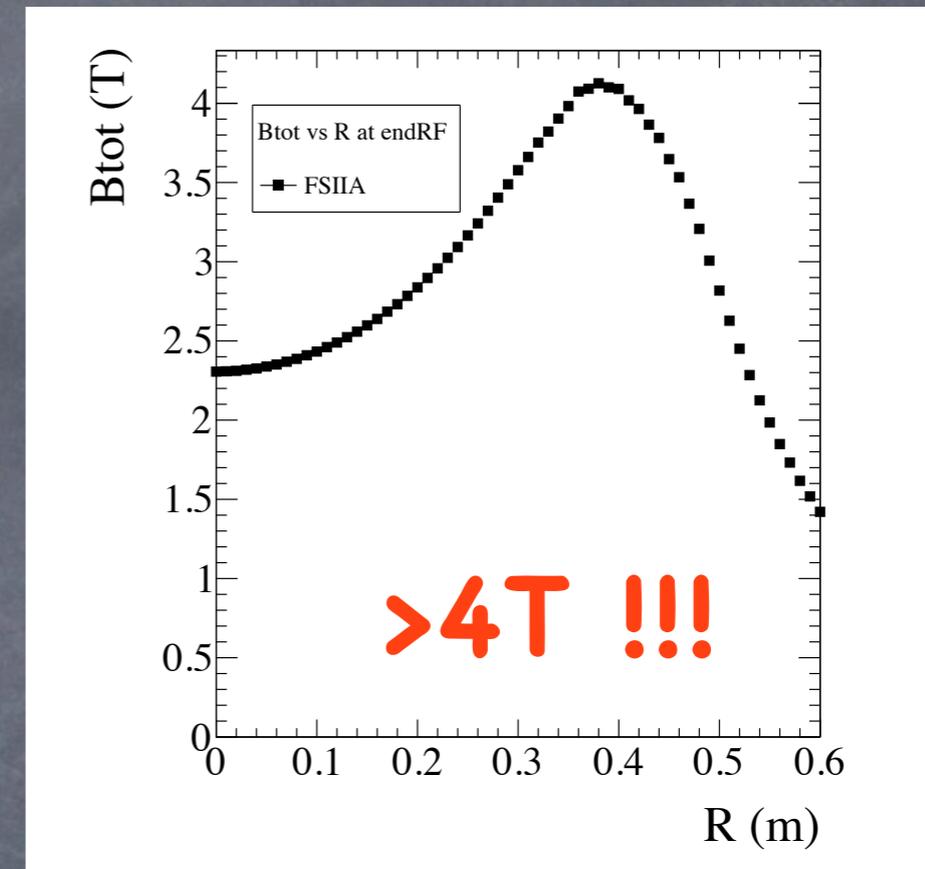
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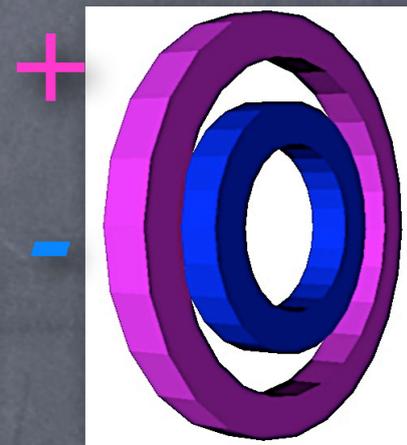
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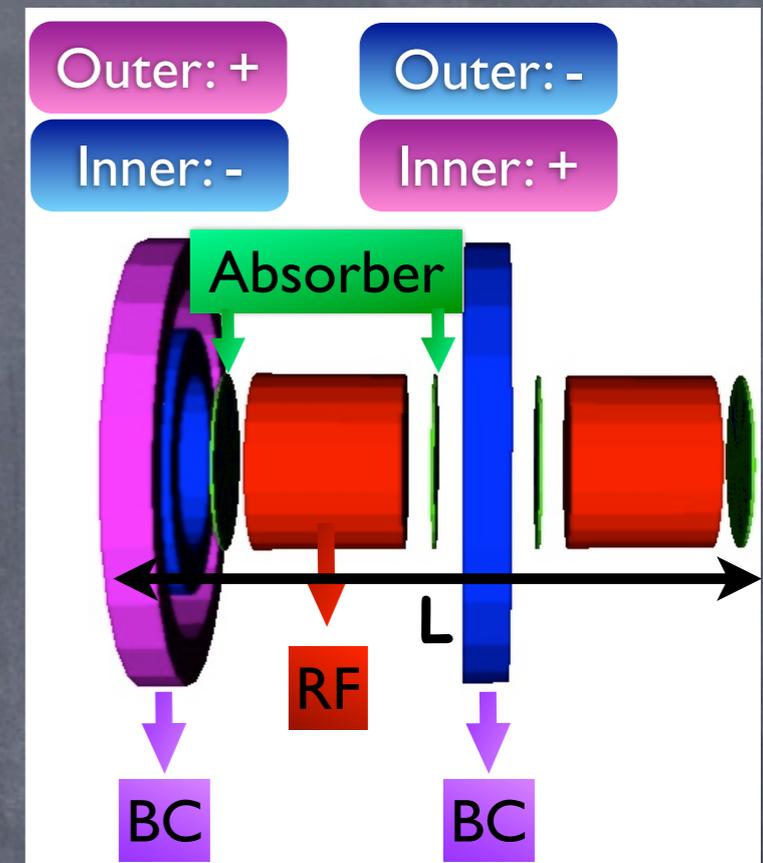


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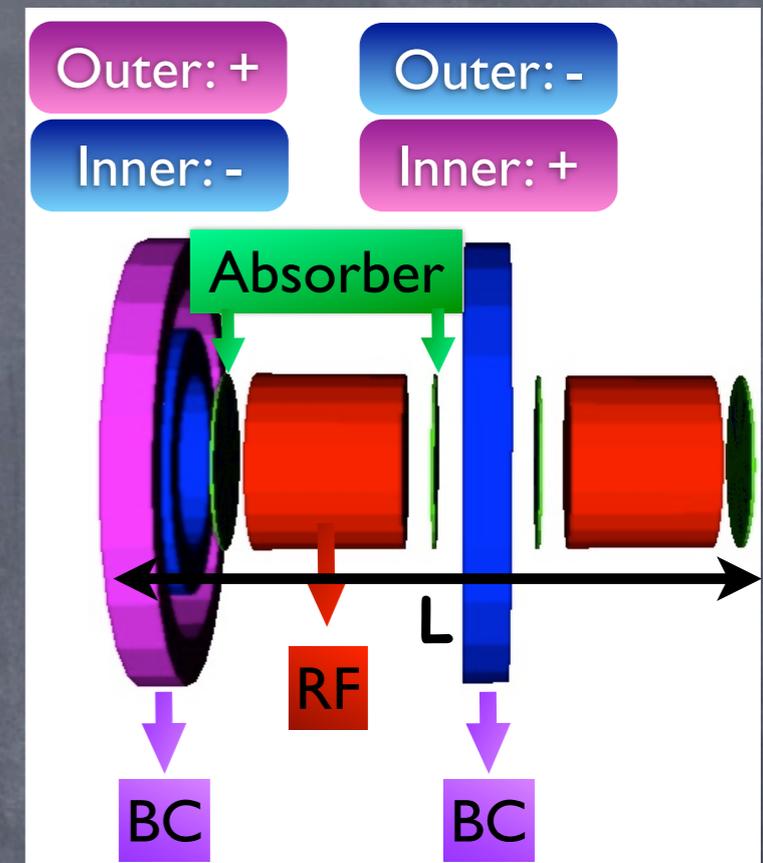


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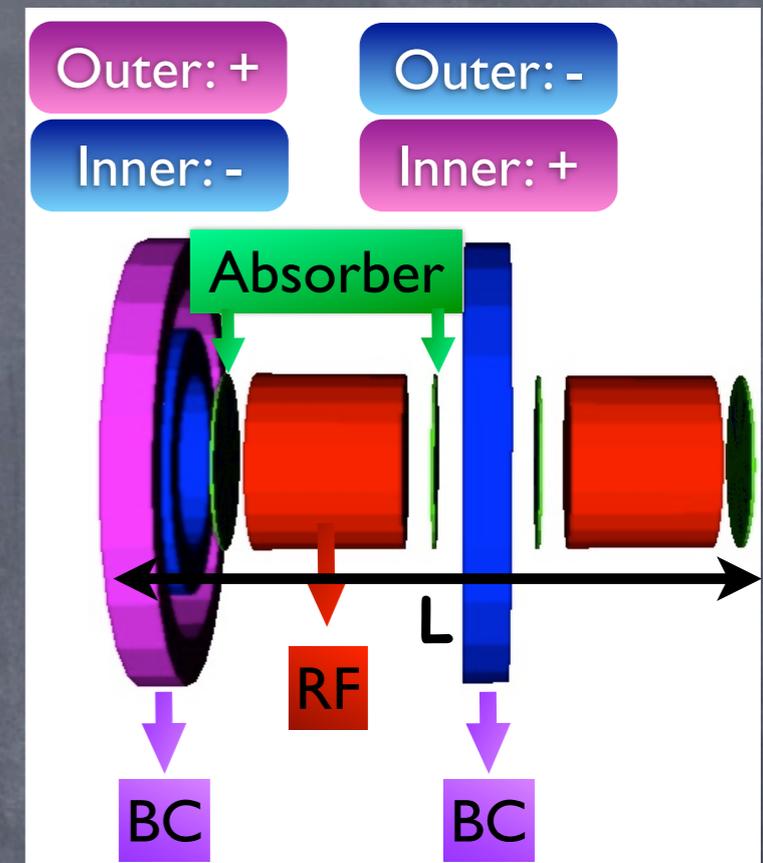
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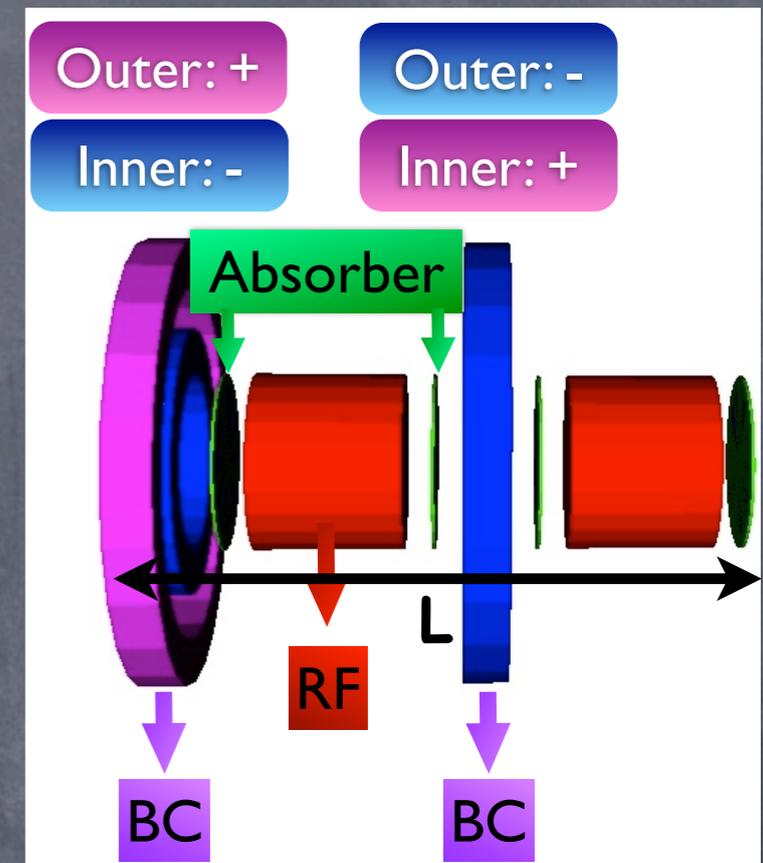
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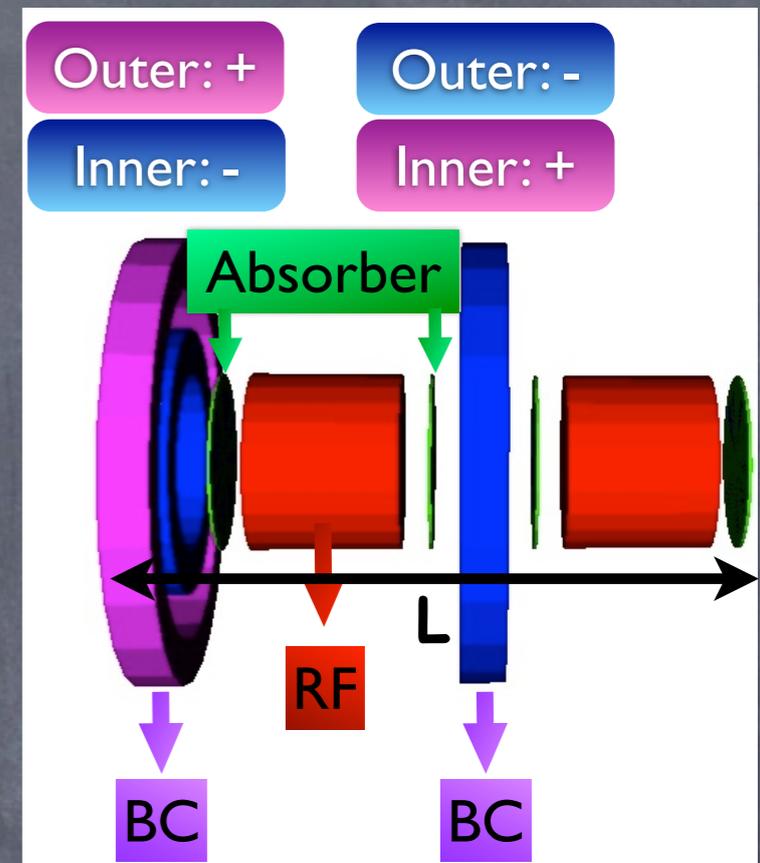
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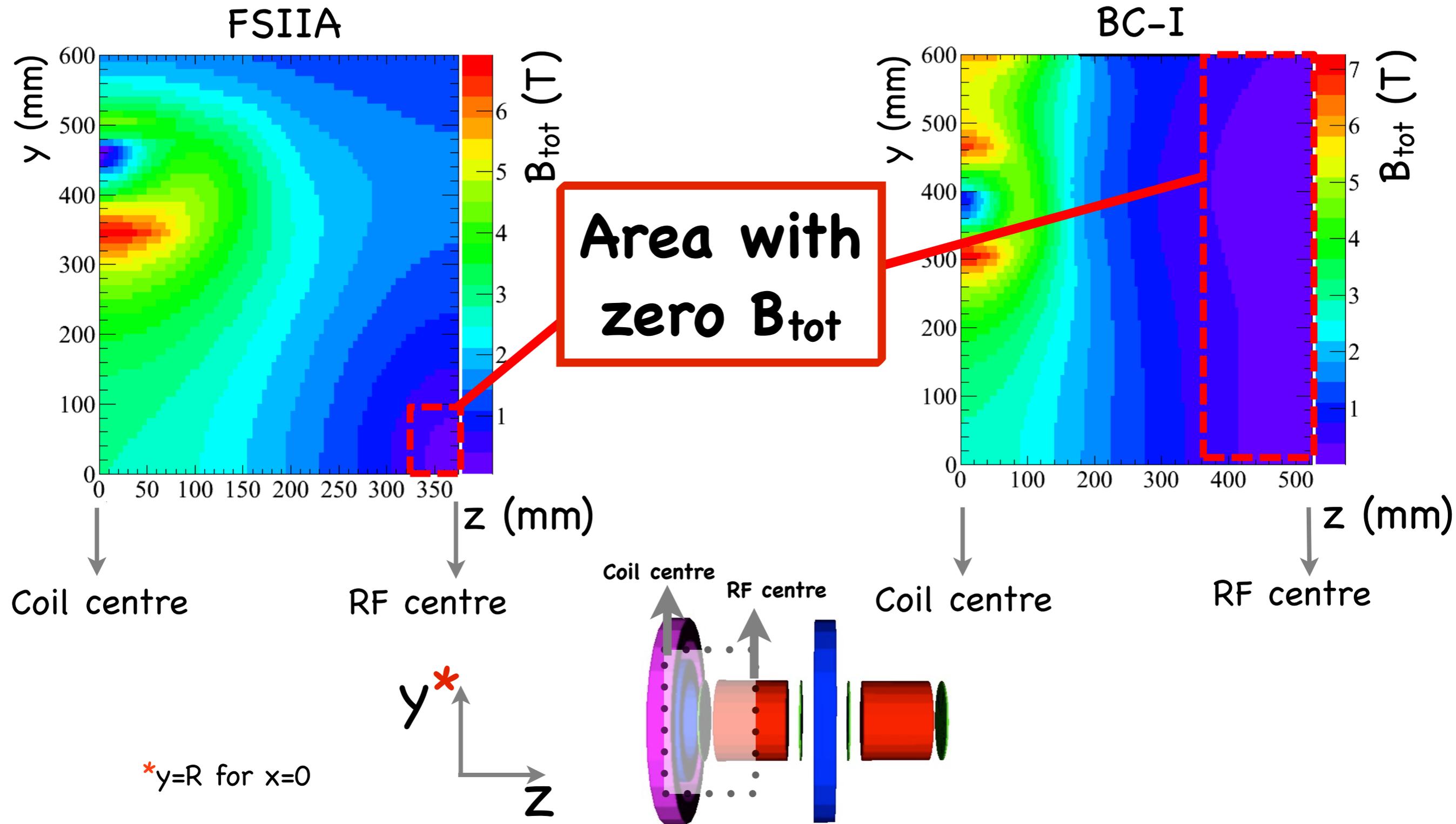
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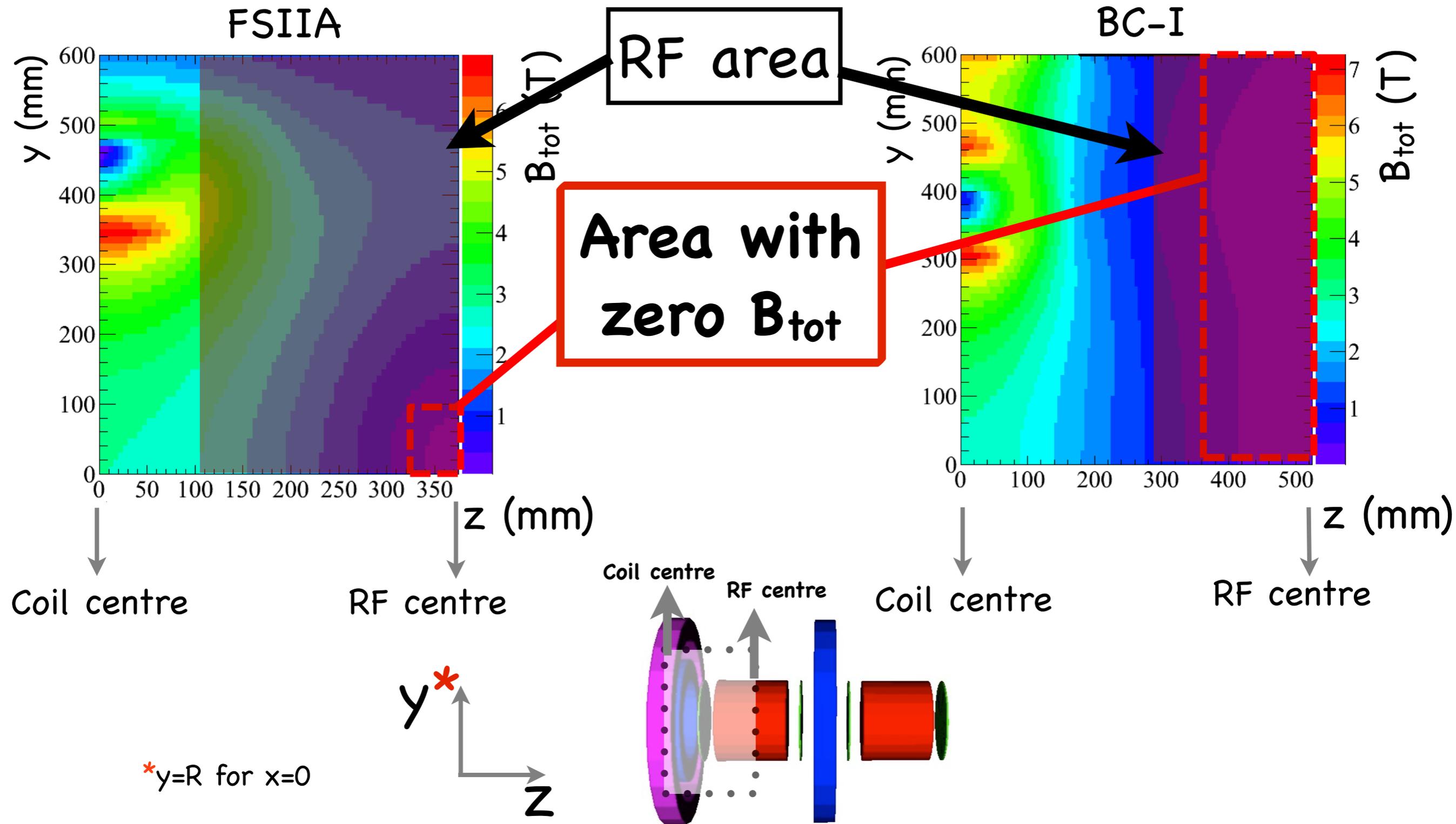


Lattice	FSIIA	BC-I	BC-II	BC-III	BC-IV	BC-V	BC-VI
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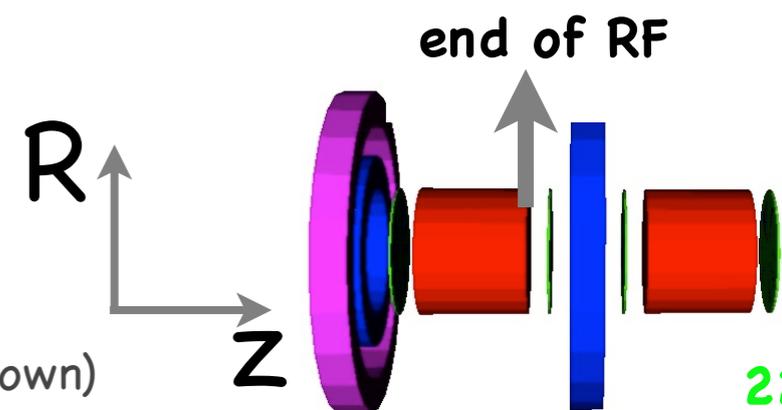


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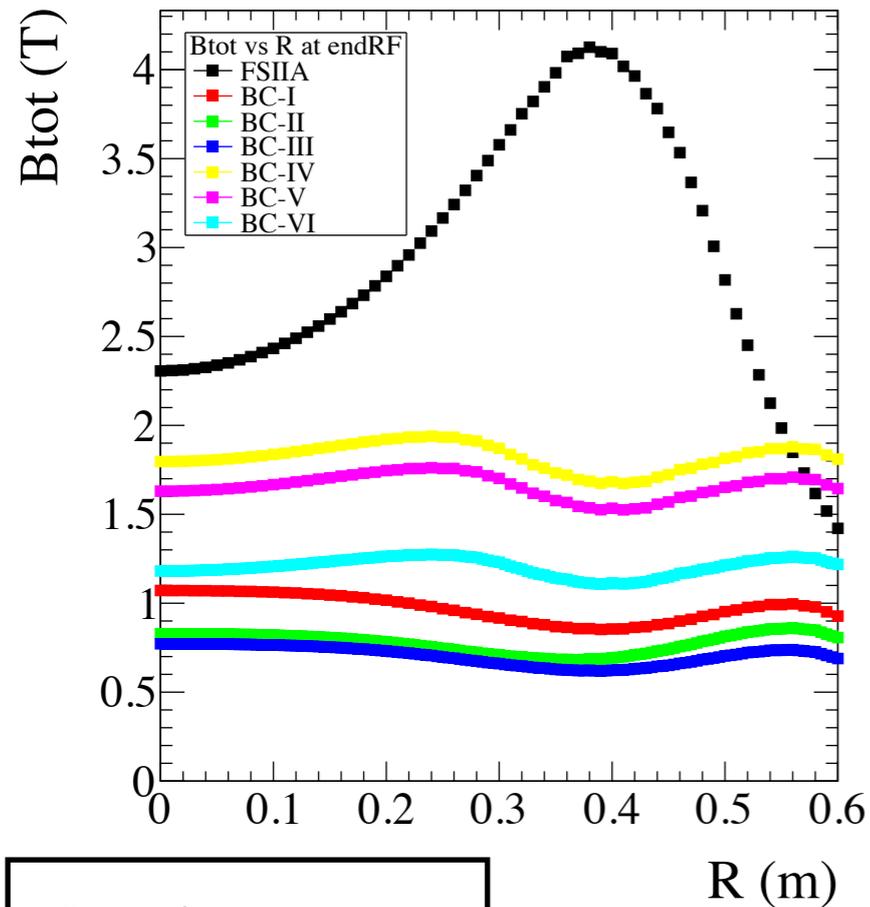


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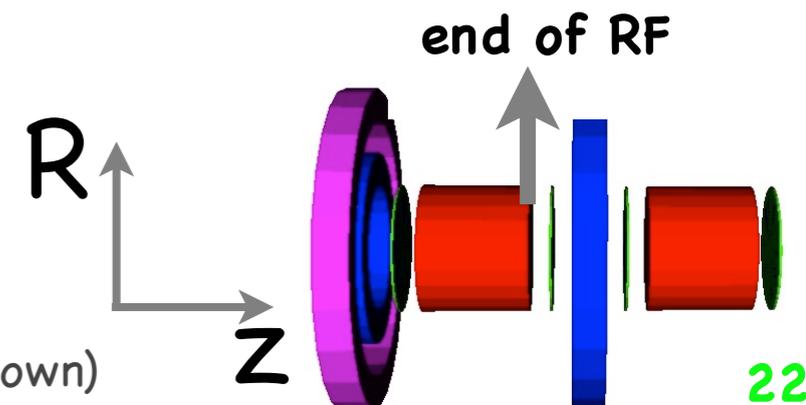
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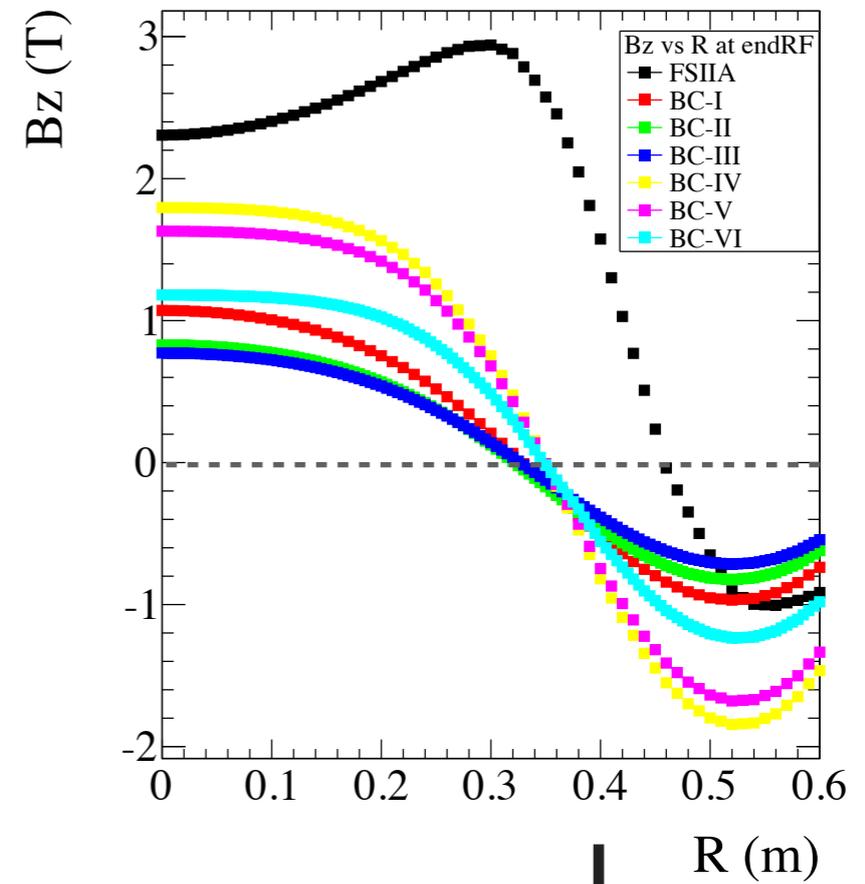
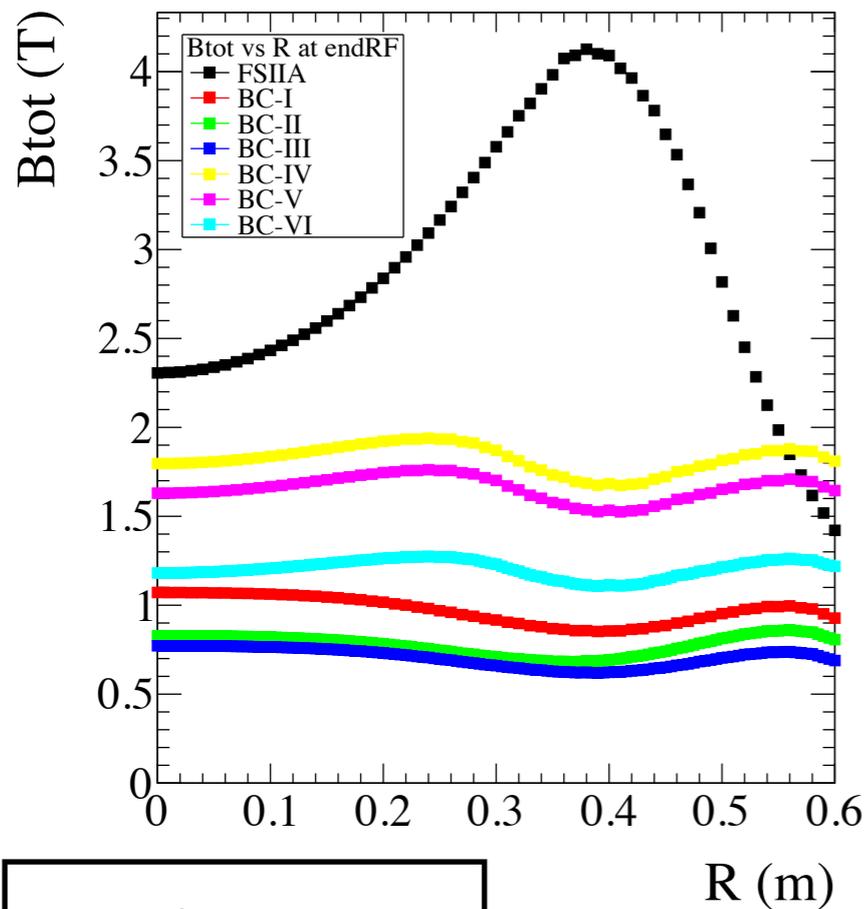
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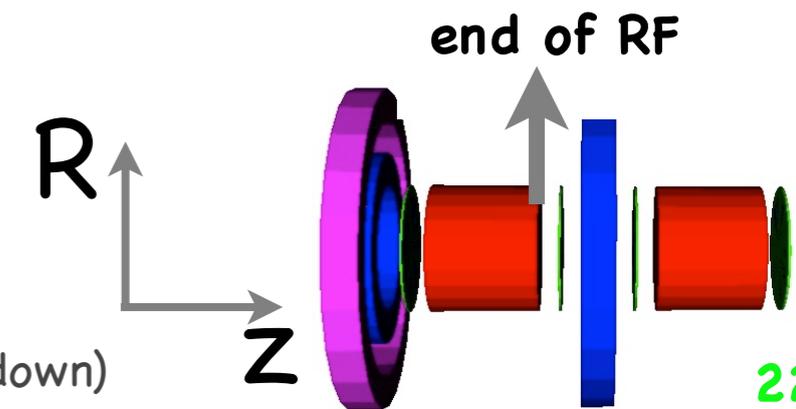


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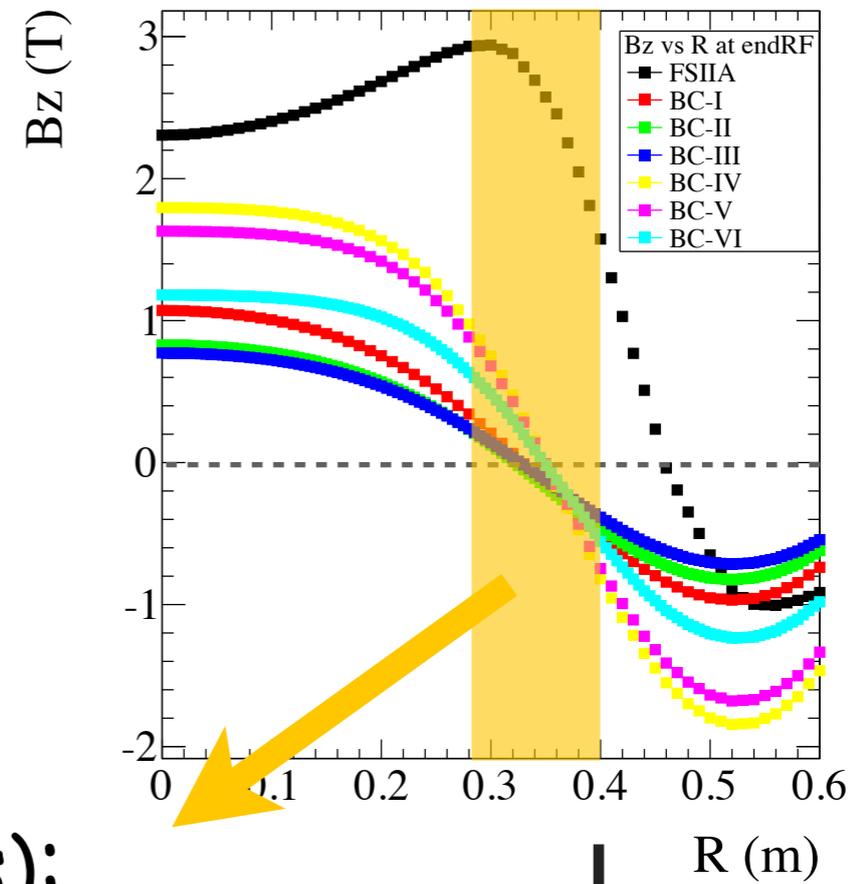
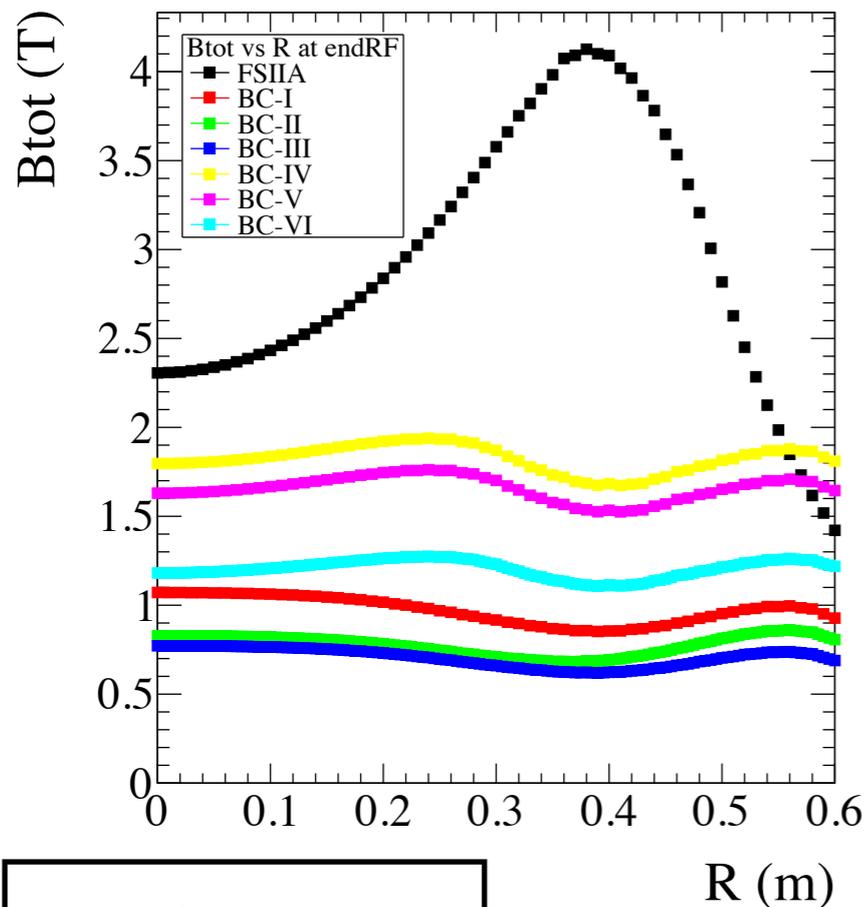
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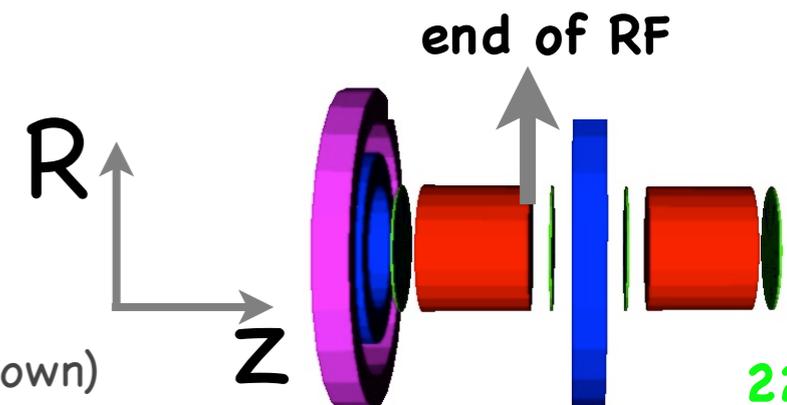
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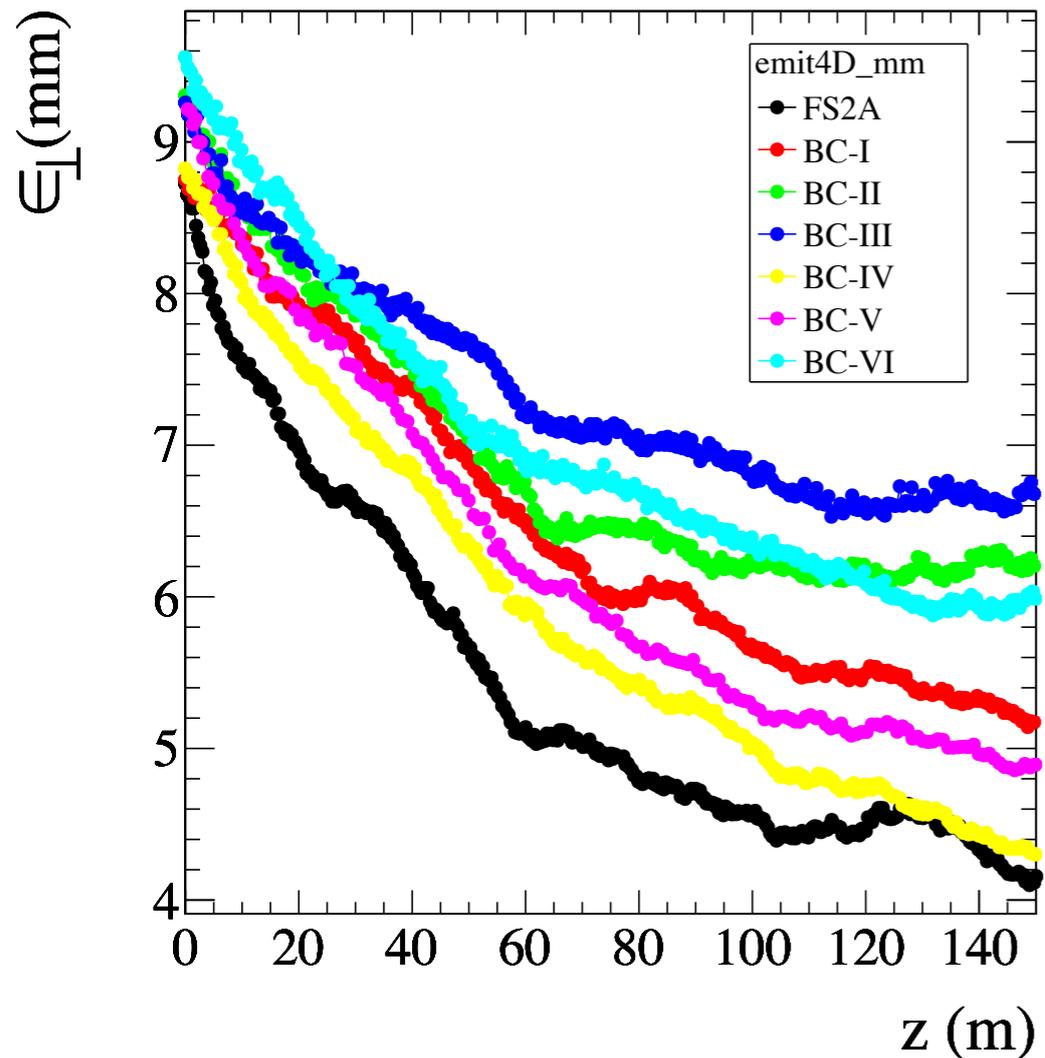
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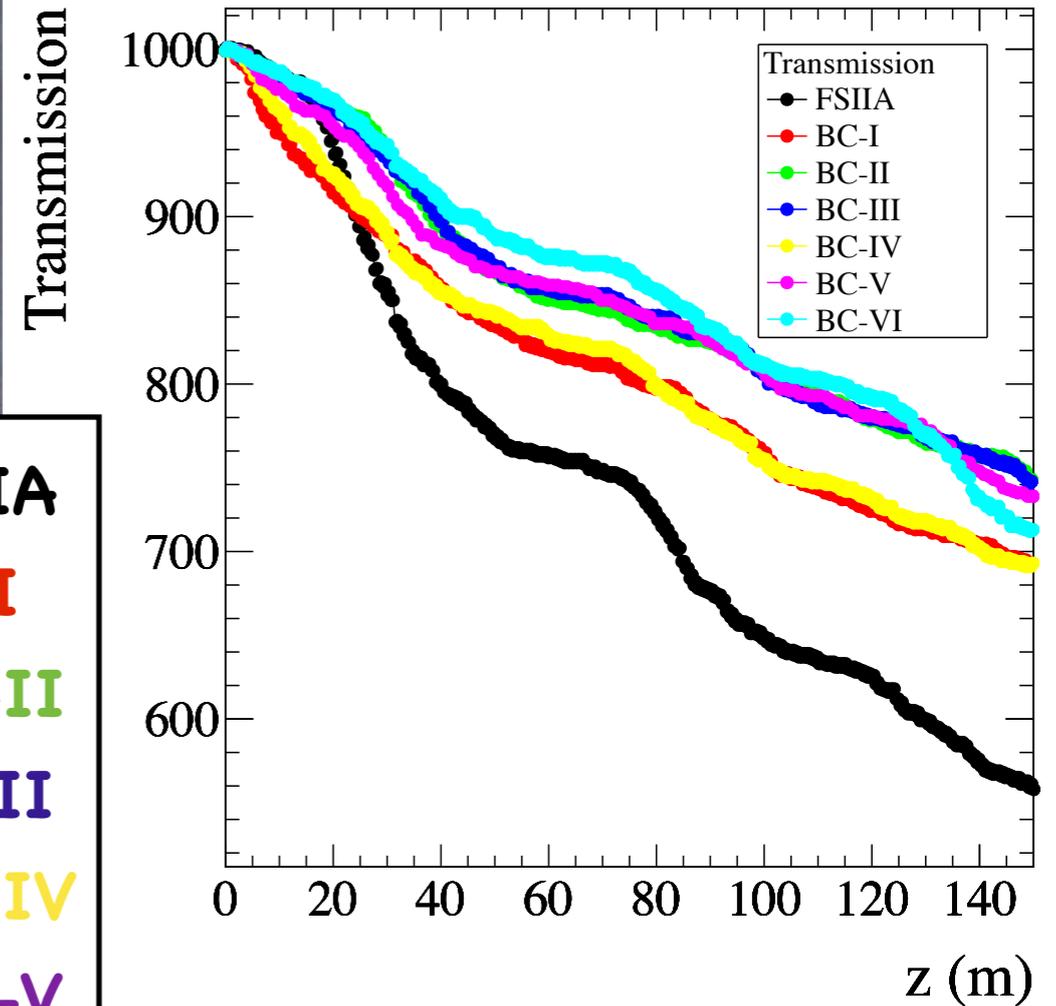
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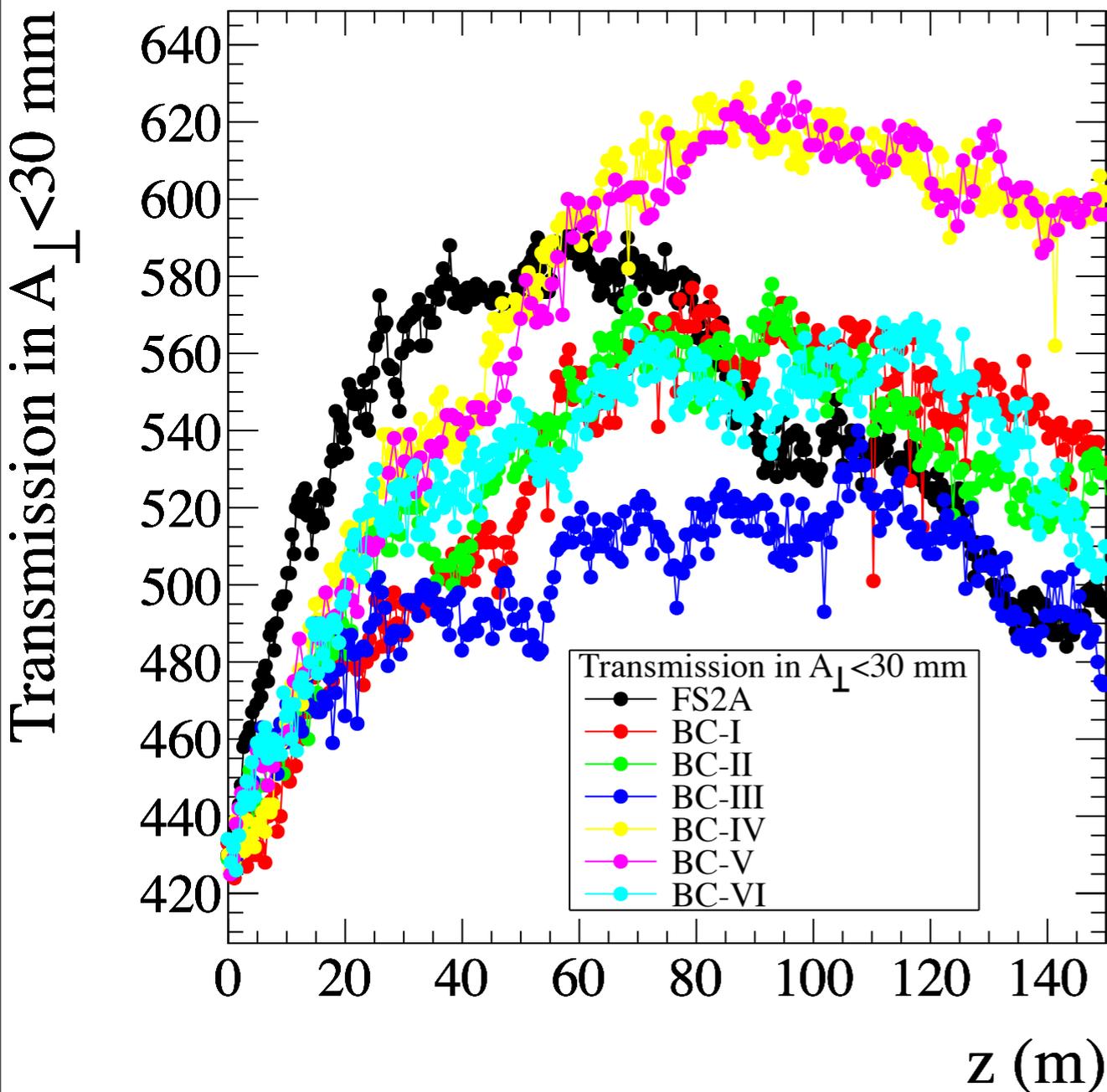
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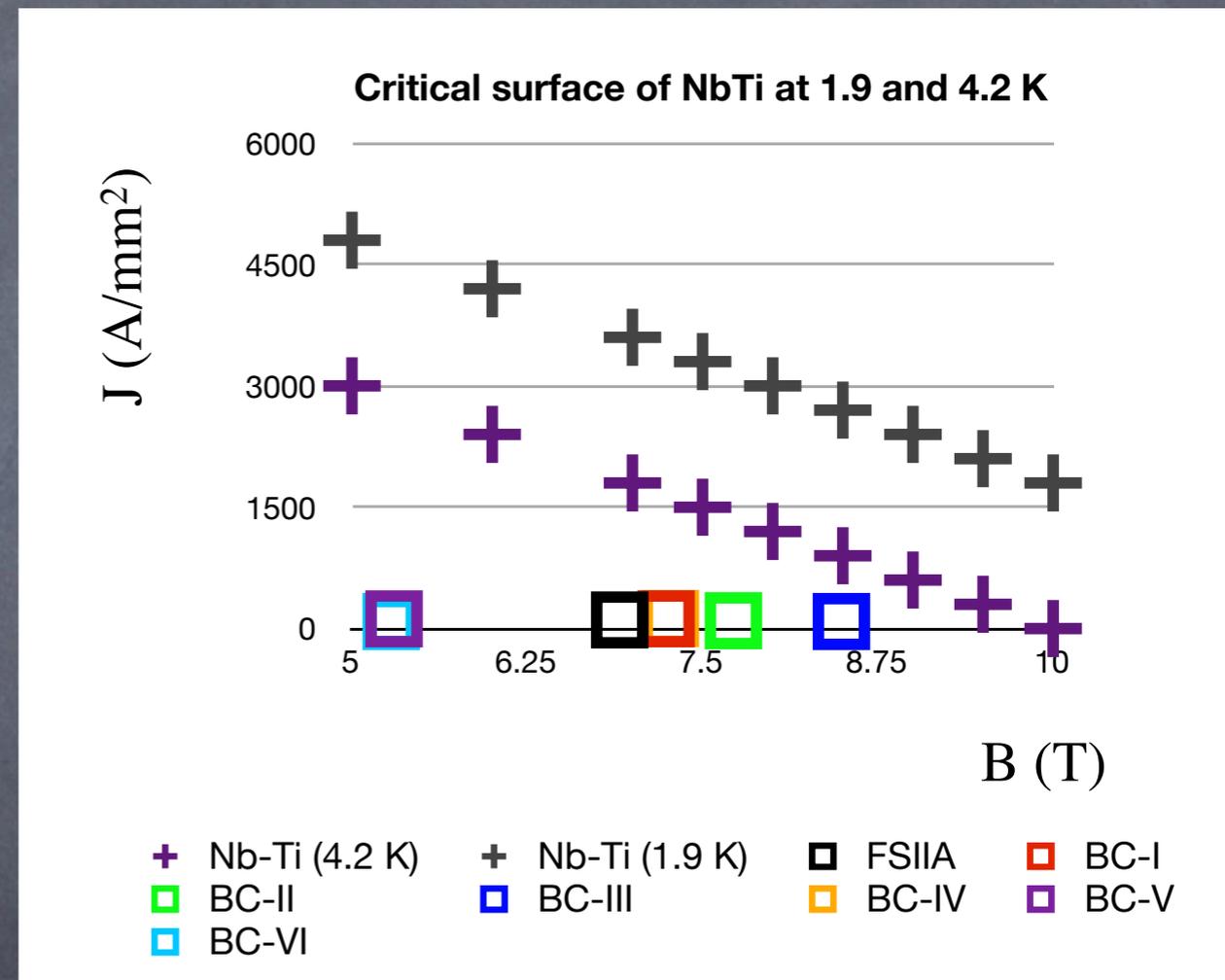
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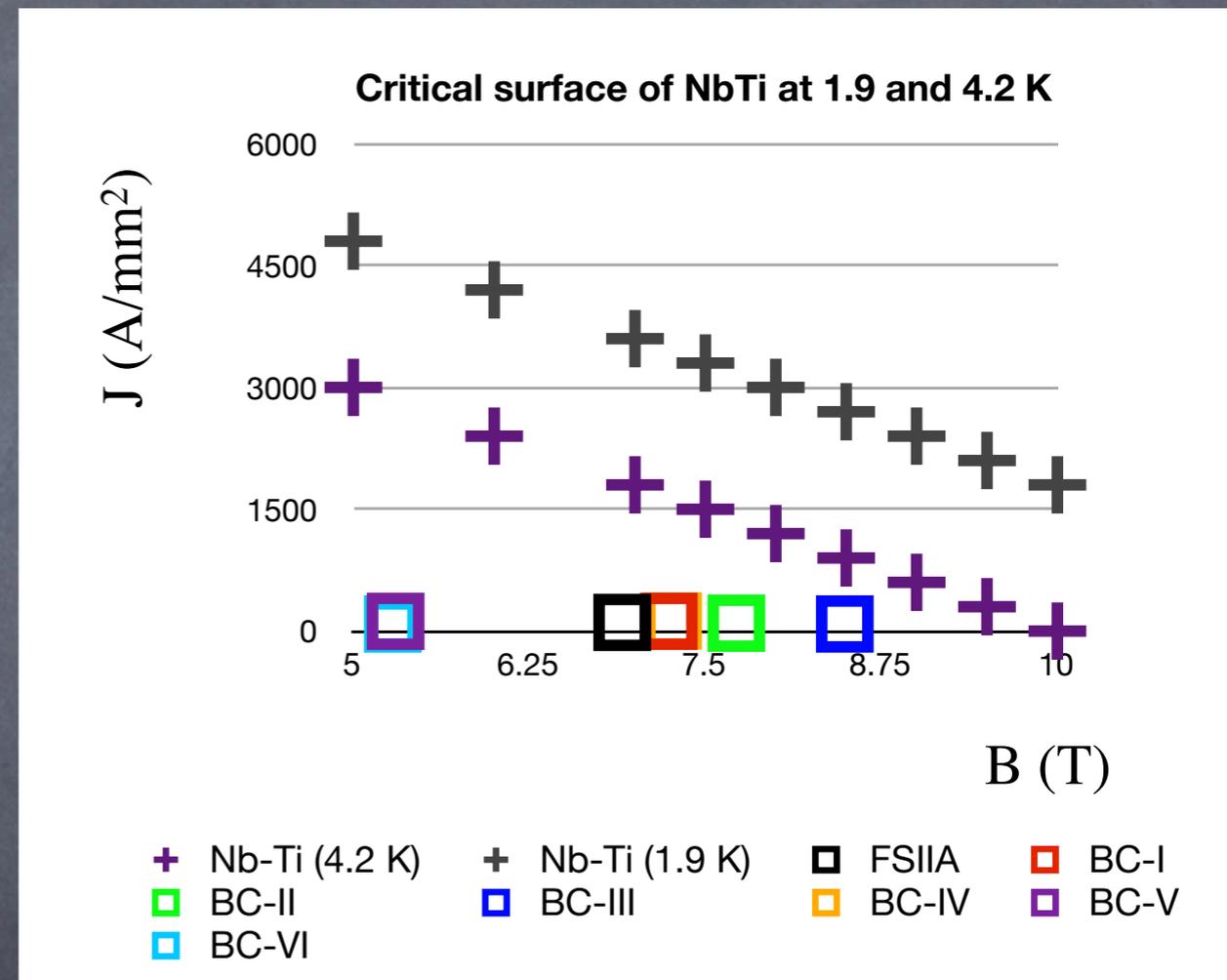


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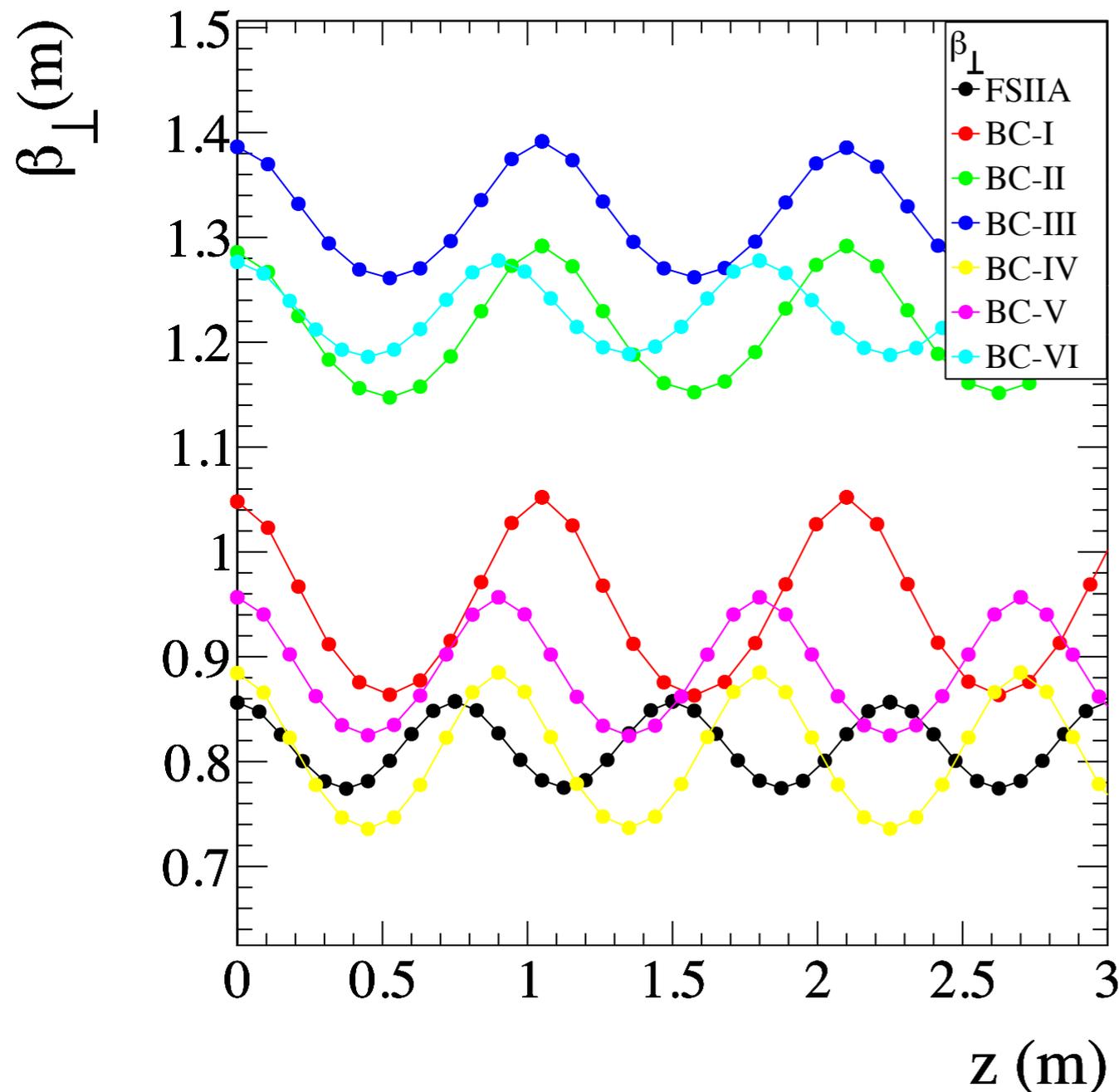
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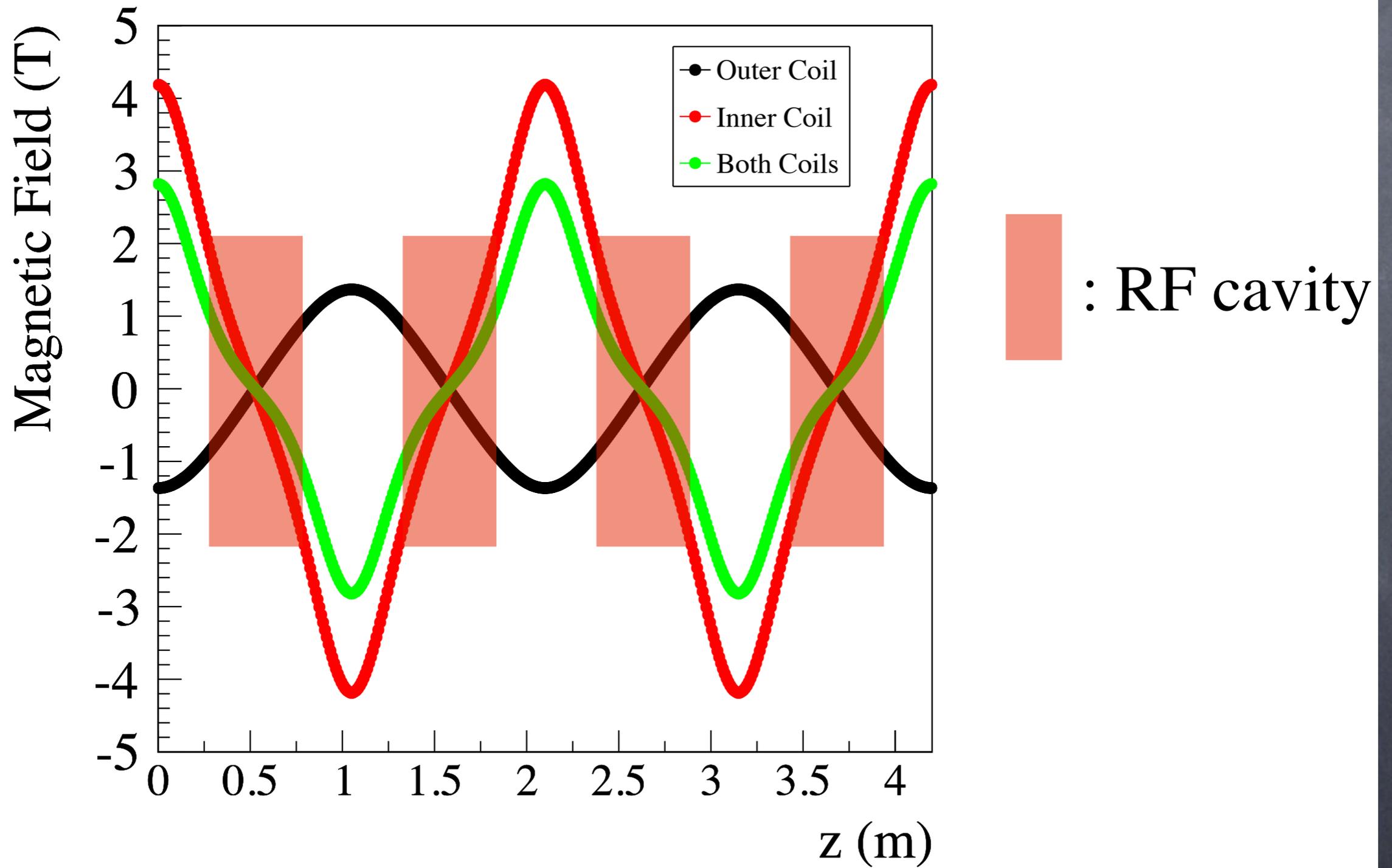
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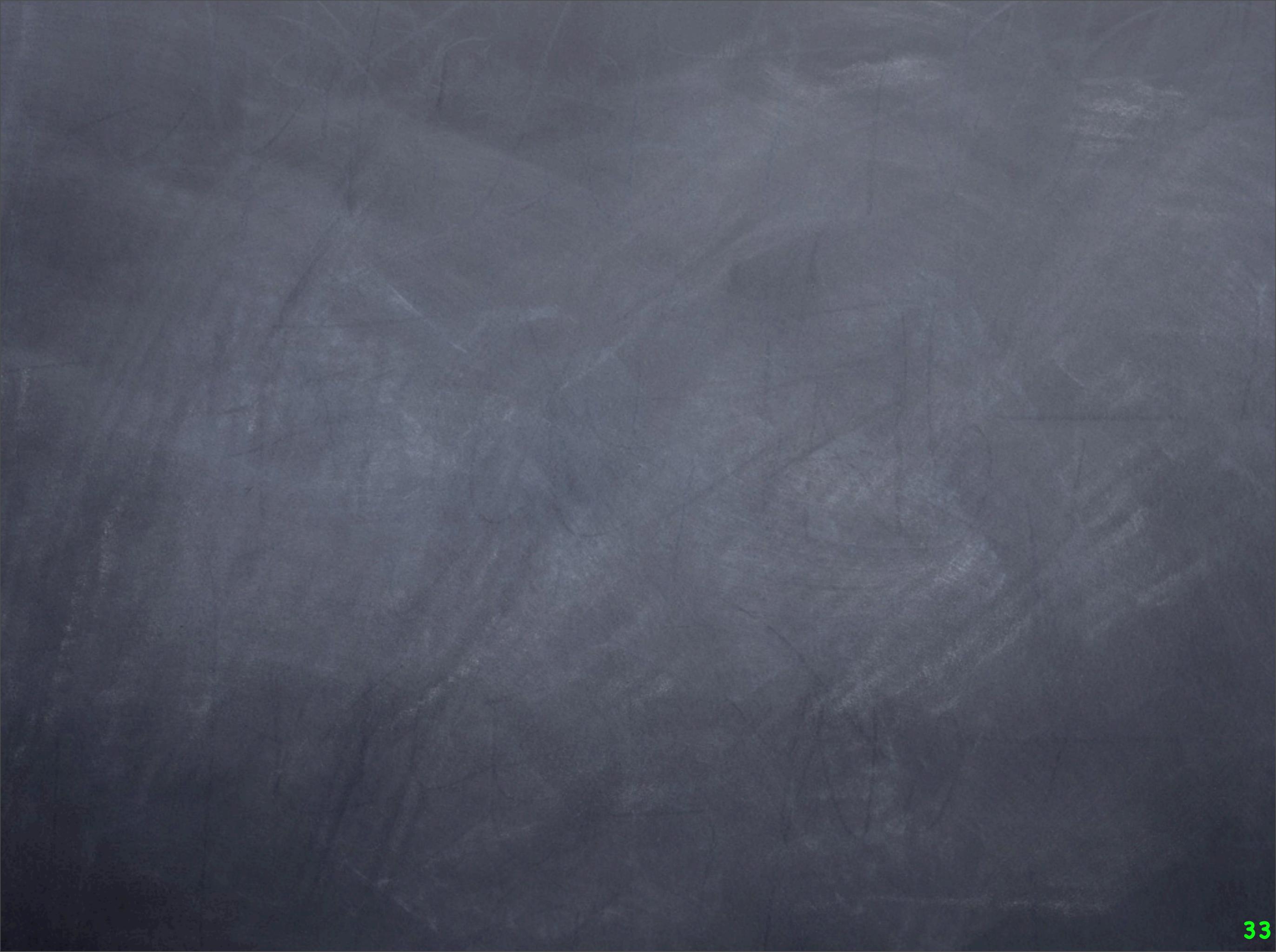
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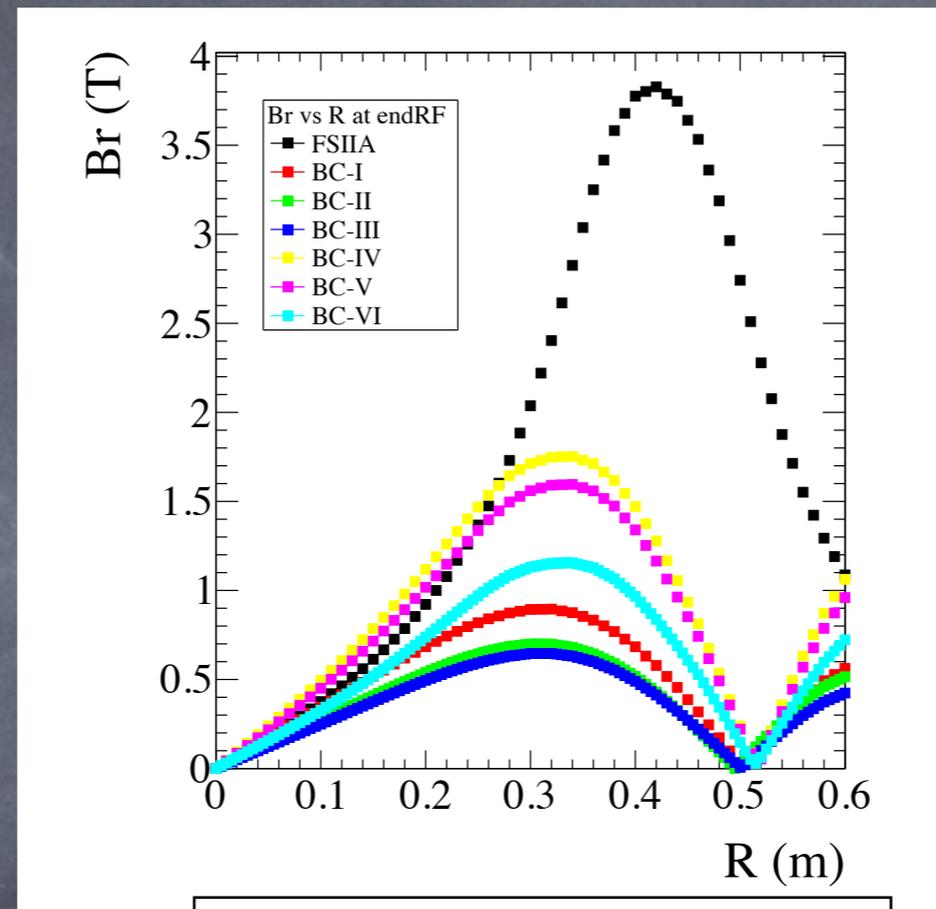
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- Expect worse cooling for BC-II, -III and -VI



**Black: FSIIA**  
**Red: BC-I**  
**Green: BC-II**  
**Blue: BC-III**  
**Yellow: BC-IV**  
**Purple: BC-V**  
**Cyan: BC-VI**







**FSIIA ~ 4 T**

**BC-I, BC-II, -III < 1 T**

**BC-IV, -V, -VI < 2T**