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# Accelerator Physics at Fermilab

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Summer Lecture Series

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# Applications of Particle Accelerators (Science)

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## Particle & Nuclear Physics

### *Fundamental Physics*

- Fermilab long-baseline neutrino program
  - > origin of matter & antimatter in the universe.
- CERN LHC in Switzerland/France
  - > higgs boson, and beyond the standard model.
- MSU FRIB in Michigan
  - > new elements and isotopes.

## Radiation & Neutron Physics

### *Science to do Science*

- SLAC LCLS-II in California, powerful coherent x-ray source.
- SNS in Oak Ridge TN, powerful spallation neutron source.

# Applications of Particle Accelerators (Technology)

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## Medical Accelerators

- proton therapy to target cancerous tumors.
- medical radioisotope production.

## Industrial Processes

- Ion implantation for radiation-hardened electronics.
- Electron-beam welding.
- Large-scale metal 3D-printing.

## Emerging Applications

- Imaging of sensitive archeological materials.
- EUV Light Source for microchip lithography.
- Irradiation for treatment of wastewater and food pathogens.
- Identification and inspection of radiological materials.
- Transmutation of nuclear waste / subcritical nuclear reactor.

# Learn more at US Particle Accelerator School

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*I will have another summer lecture on in-depth accelerator mechanics.*

Free Recorded Classes:

- Eric Prebys' online course:

“[Fundamentals of Accelerator Physics](#)”

- Huang & I's online course:

“[Mechanics & Electromagnetism for Accelerator Physics](#)”

Sign up for Live USPAS classes: [website](#)

- Two-week full-time sessions usually June and January.

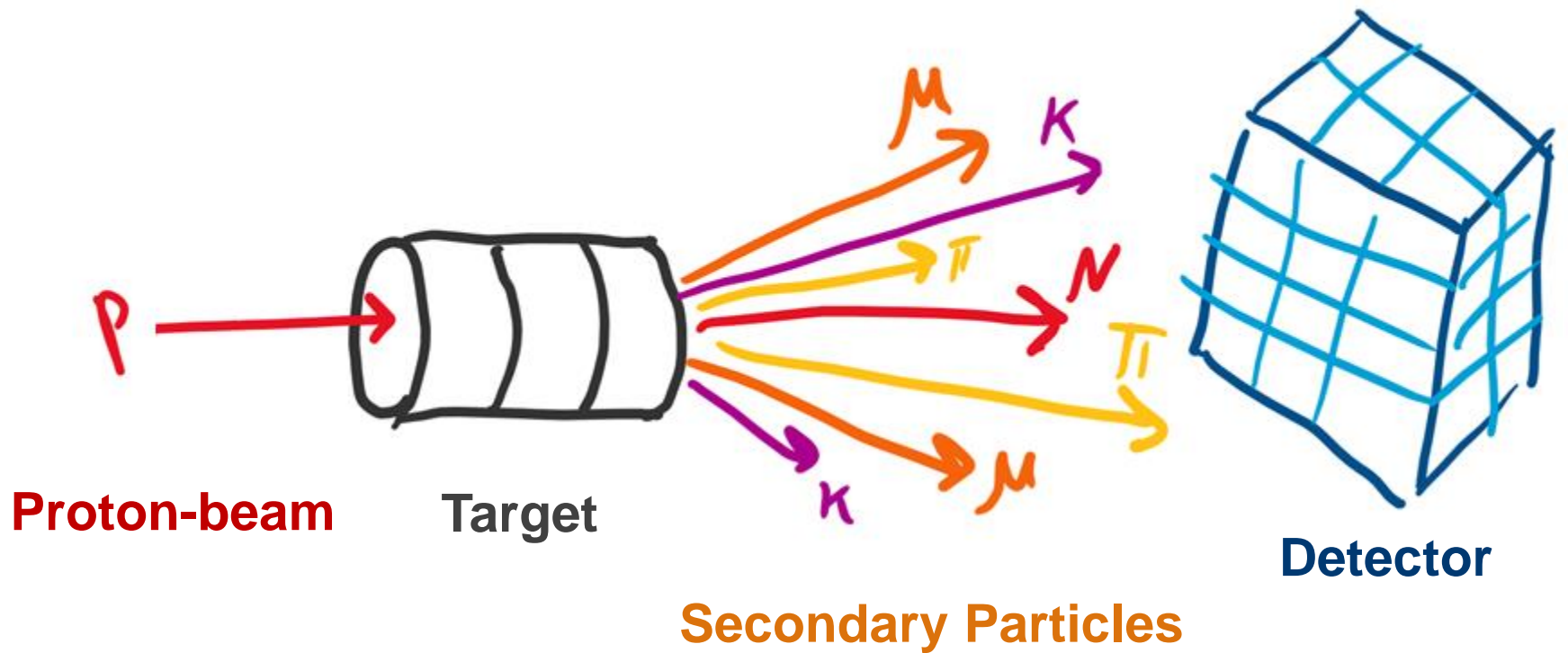
- Equivalent to graduate-level college-semester course!

I took many USPAS classes as a graduate student, and now I regularly teach at USPAS.

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# Fermilab Accelerators

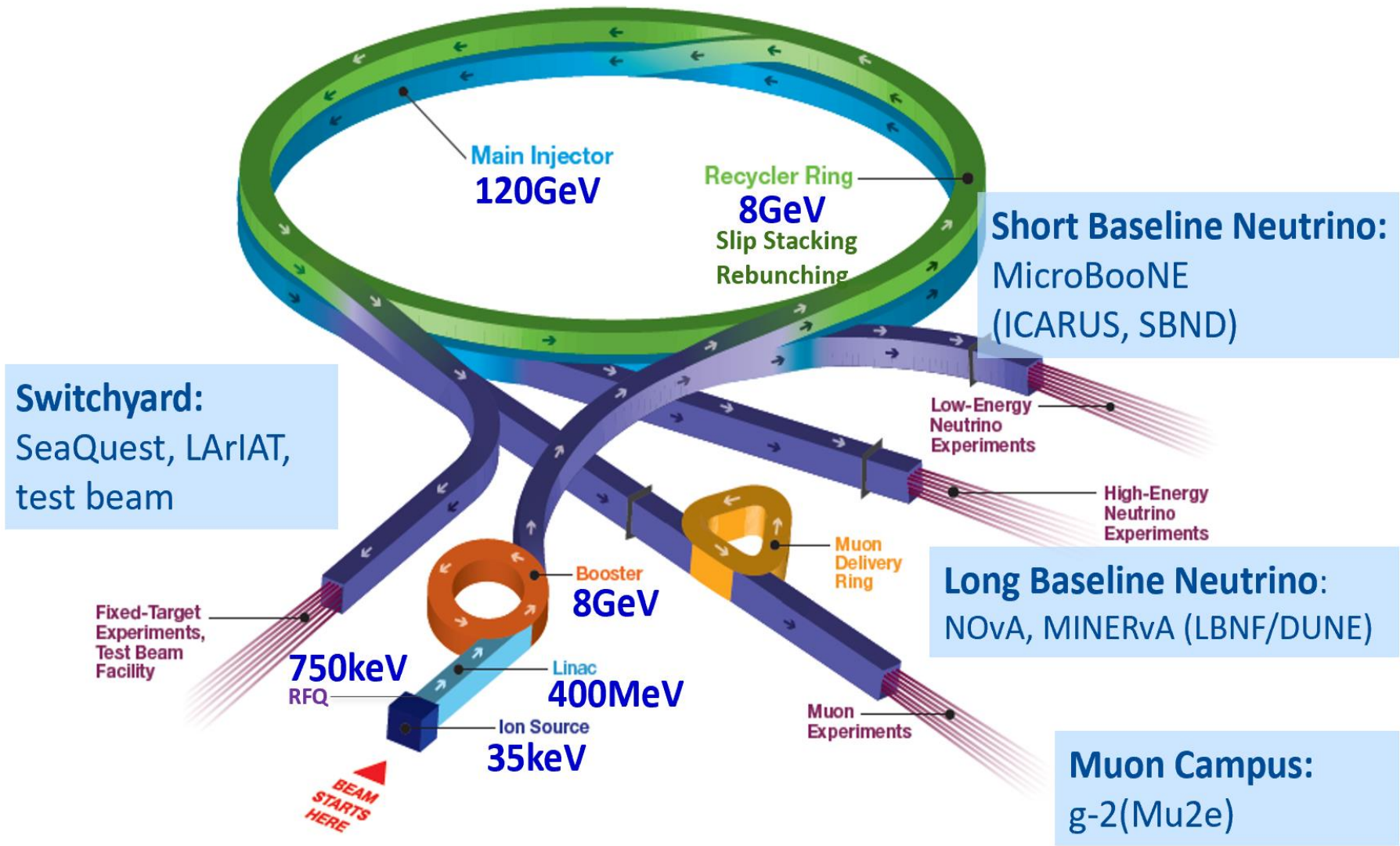
# Cartoon of Particle Accelerator Experiments



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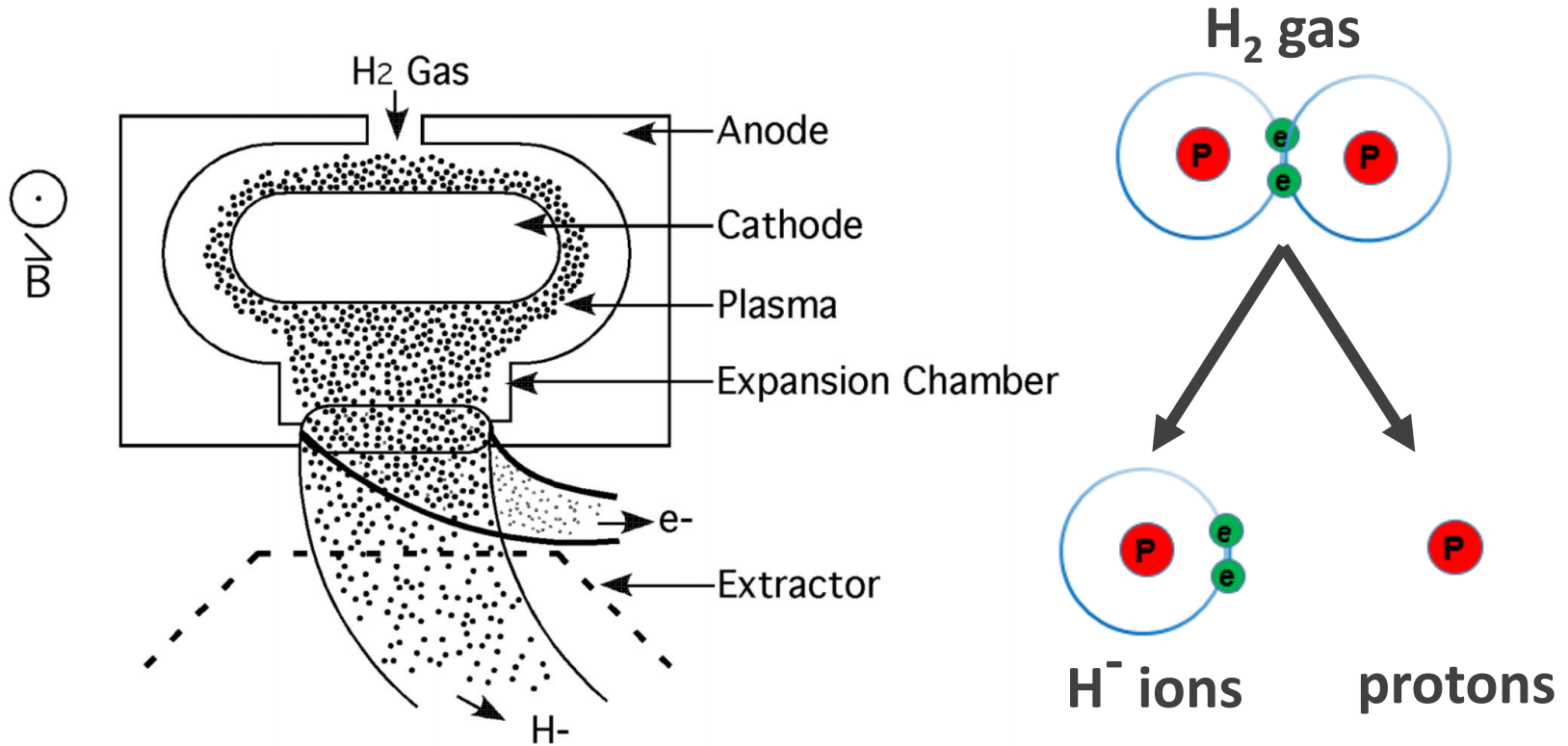
The Fermilab Accelerator Complex is optimized to deliver intense proton beams at a variety of GeV-scale energies.

# Fermilab Accelerator Complex and Experiments



# Magnetron H<sup>-</sup> Source

B. Worthel et al., Linac Rookie Book

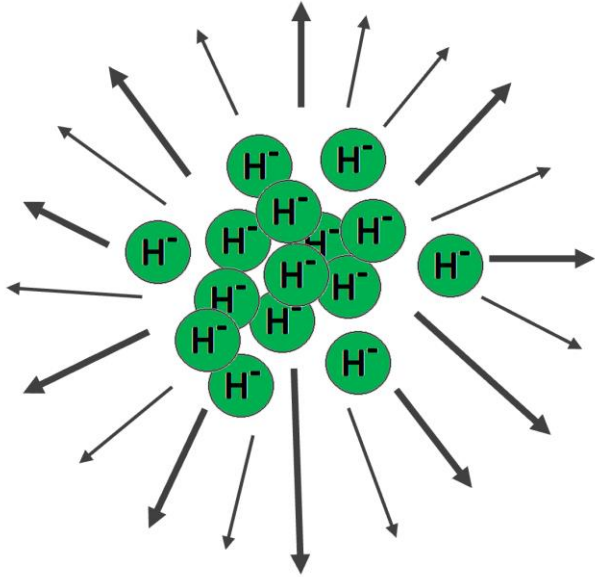


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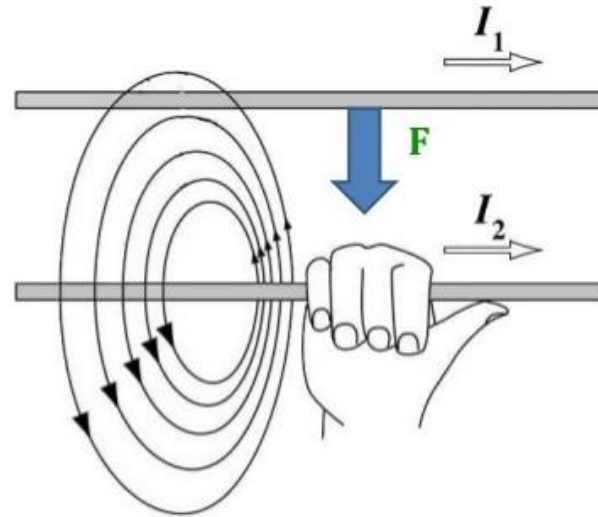


# Acceleration for Beam Stability

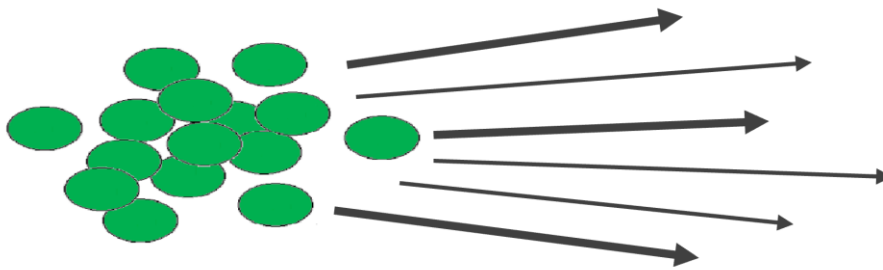
Electric Repulsion:



Magnetic Attraction:



Weakened Repulsion with Acceleration:



$$\vec{E}_{\perp} = \gamma E'_{\perp}$$

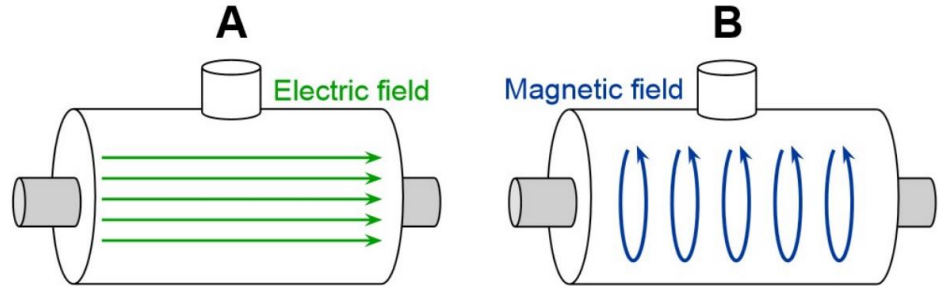
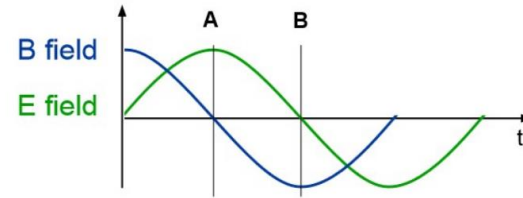
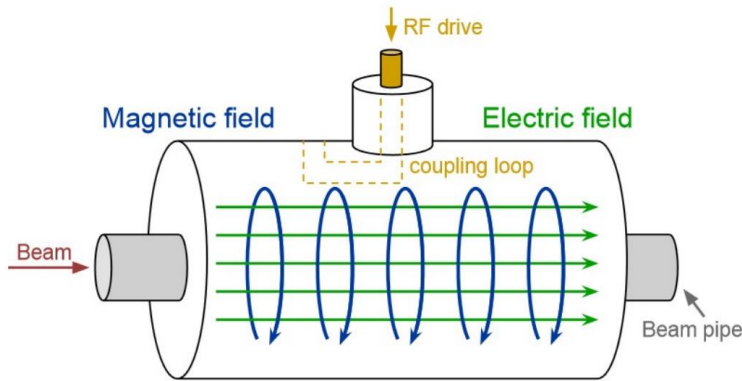
$$\vec{B}_{\perp} c = \beta(\hat{z} \times \vec{E}_{\perp})$$

$$\vec{F}_{\perp} = q(E + v \times B)_{\perp}$$

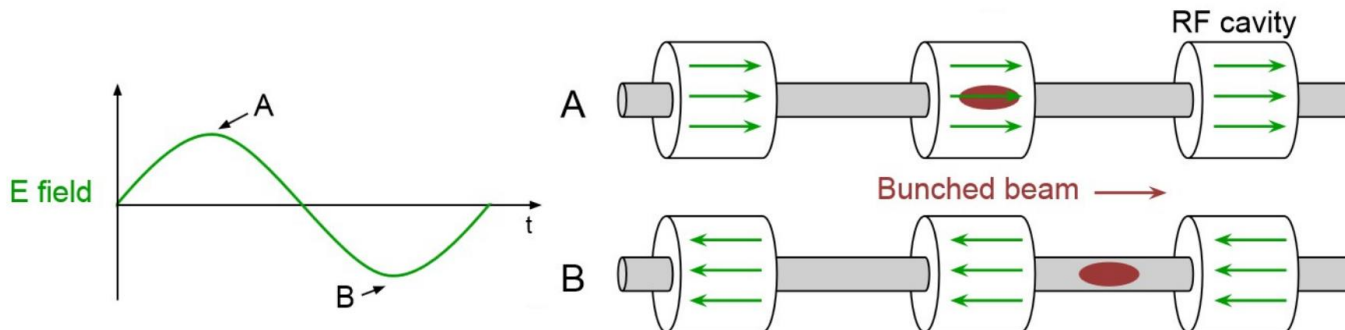
$$\vec{F}_{\perp} = q(1 - \beta^2)E_{\perp} = \frac{q}{\gamma^2}E_{\perp}$$

# RF Accelerating Cavity

We use resonating radiofrequency (RF) cavities to efficiently trap an electromagnetic wave which accelerates the beam.

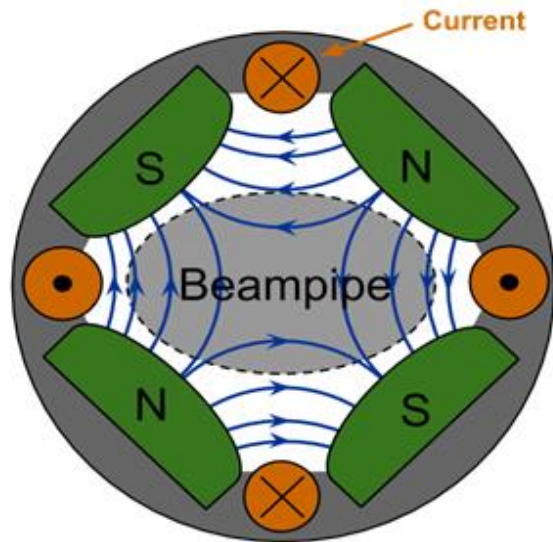


The beam must arrive in synchronized bunches to be accelerated.

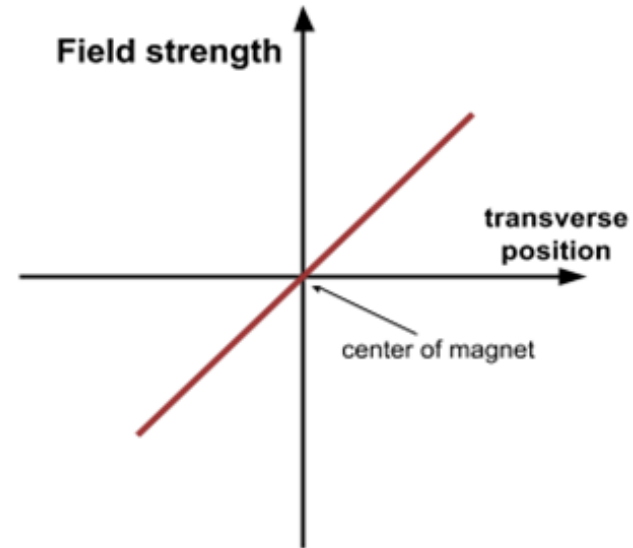


# Focusing for Beam Stability

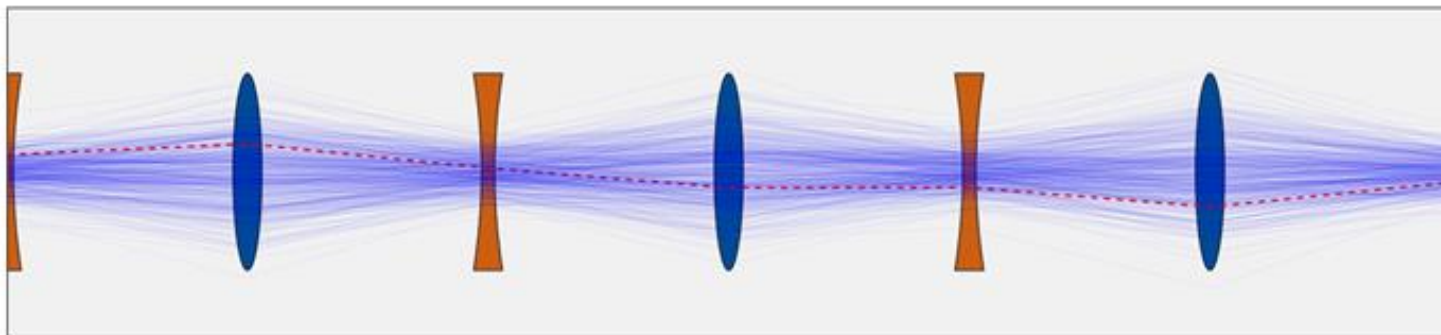
Quadrupole Magnet:



Linear Restoring Force:



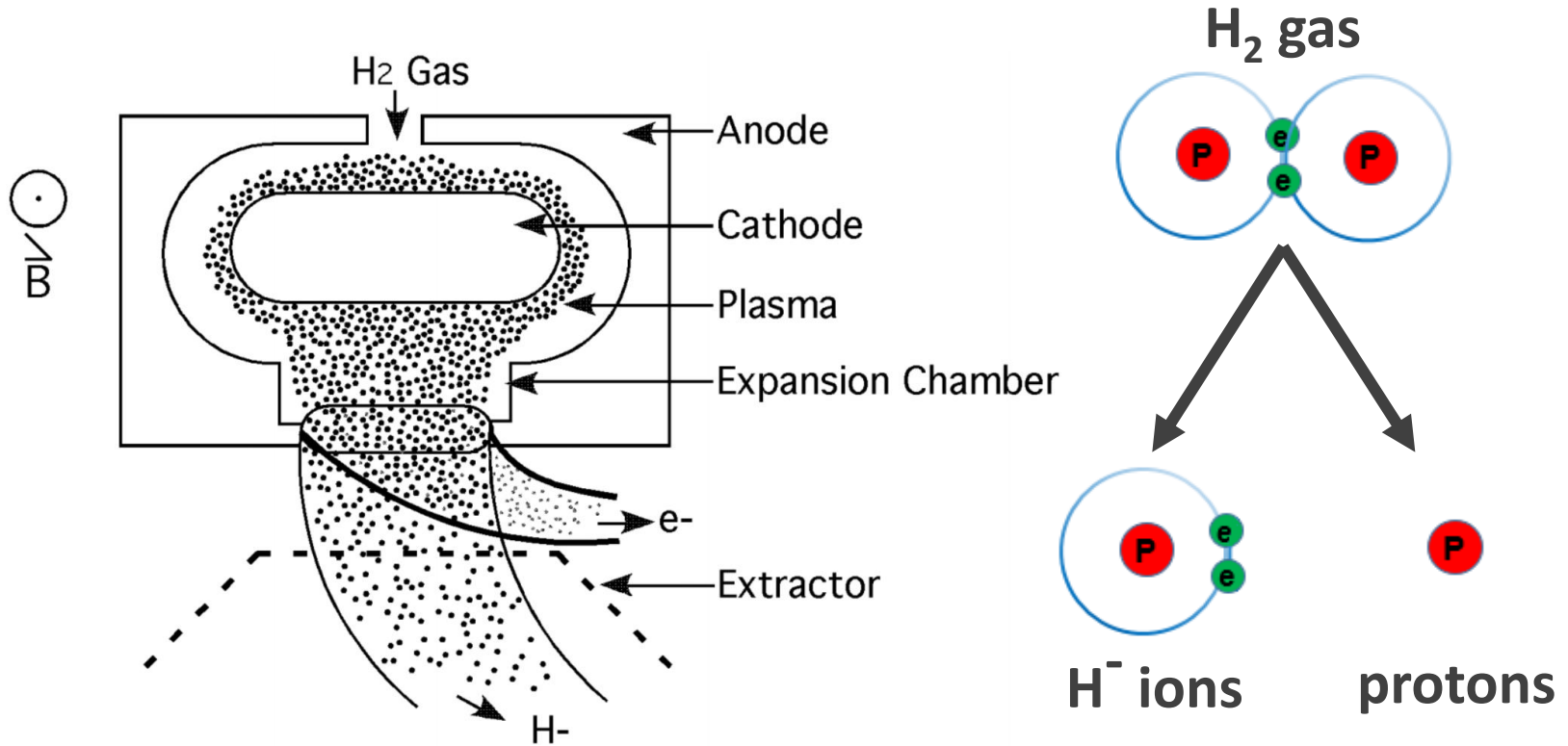
Alternating Focusing Magnets:



D. Barak, B. Harrison, A. Watts, Concepts Rookie Book,  
special thanks A. Watts

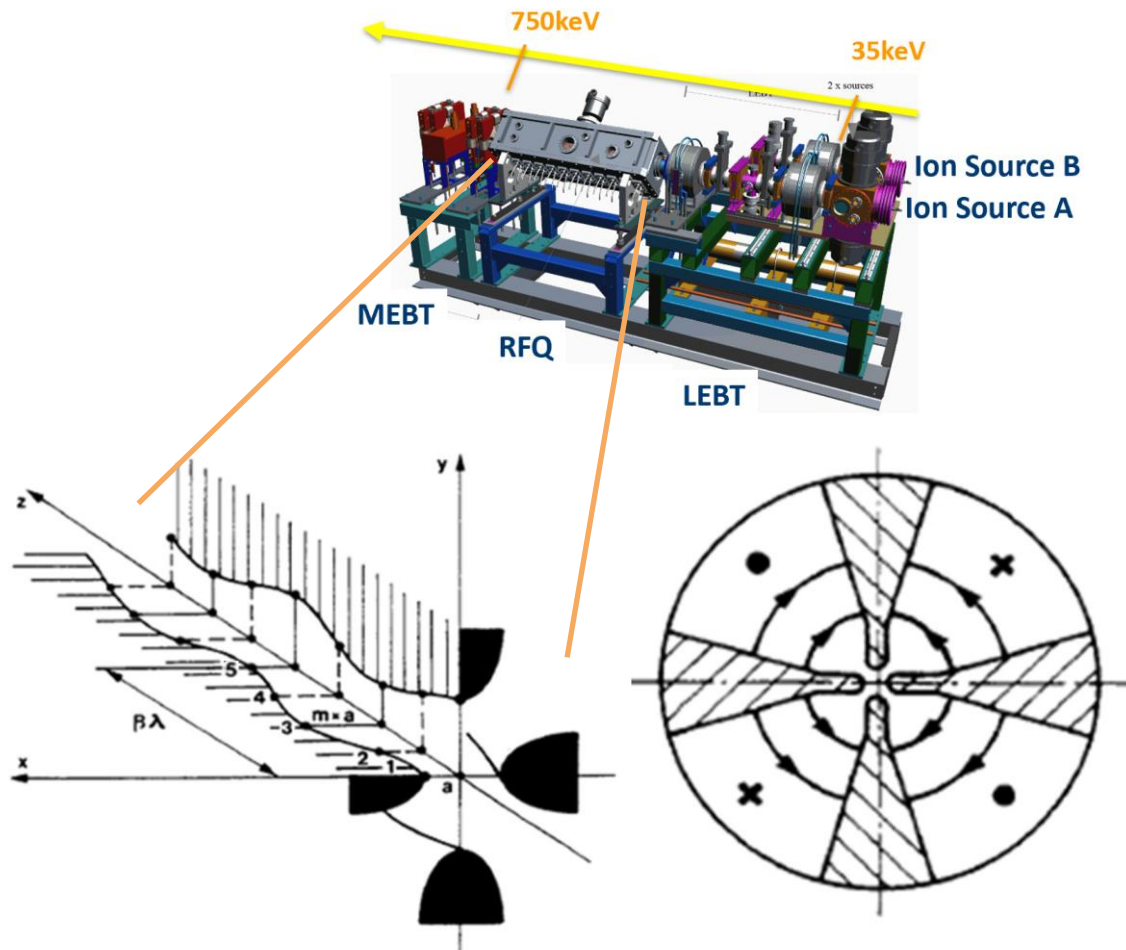
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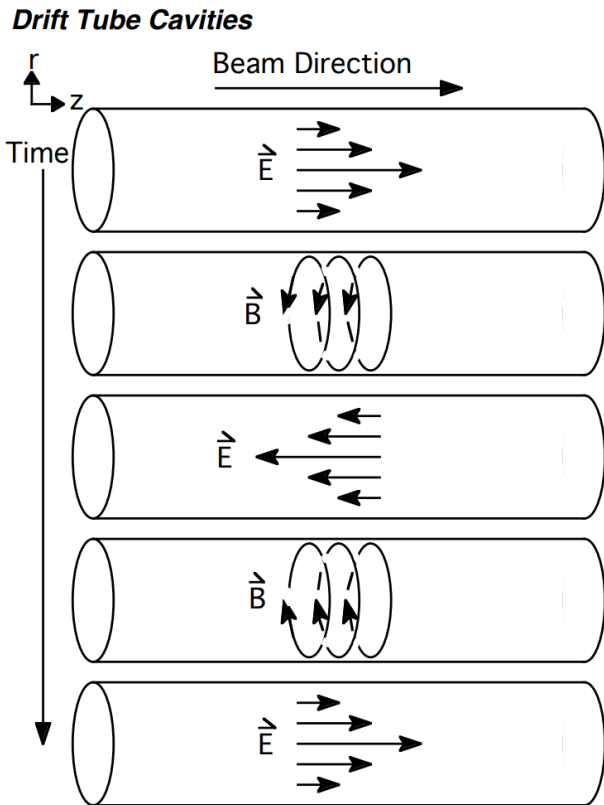
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# RFQ = Radiofrequency Quadrupole



The RFQ accelerates and focuses the beam simultaneously.

# Linac = Linear Accelerator



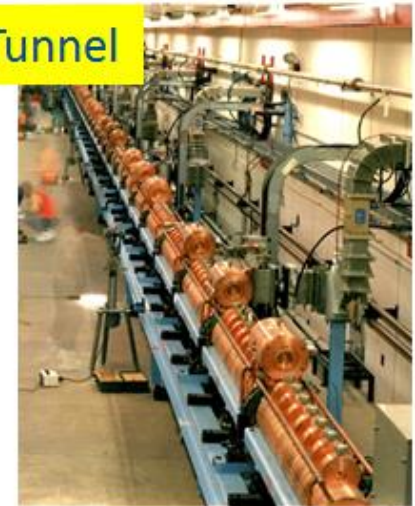
The Linac is a powerful single-pass accelerator design to get the  $H^-$  particles to relativistic energy very quickly.

# Fermilab Linac – 400 MeV



Low Energy Tunnel

(1970 ~ )



High Energy Tunnel

(1994 ~ )

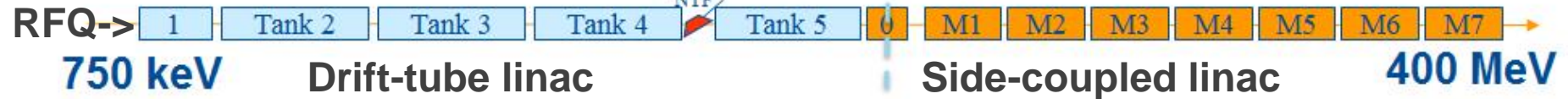
K. Seiya, NuFACT19

116 MeV

200MHz

800MHz

NTF



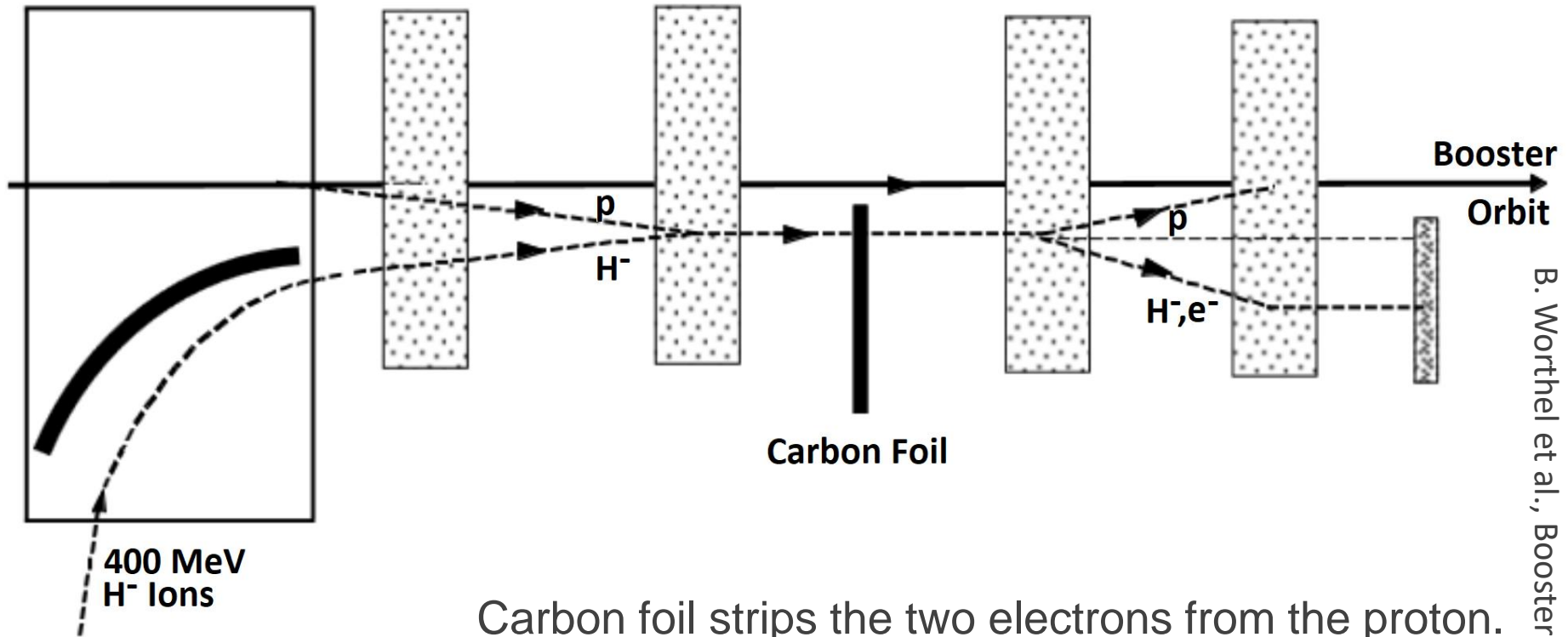
## Status

Linac output: 25mA  
 Pulse length: 35  $\mu$ sec  
 Efficiency: 96%

The length, frequency, and design of the RF cavities change as the beam accelerates.

Ultimately 400 MeV H<sup>-</sup> ions are delivered.

# H<sup>-</sup> Injection through Carbon foil into Booster

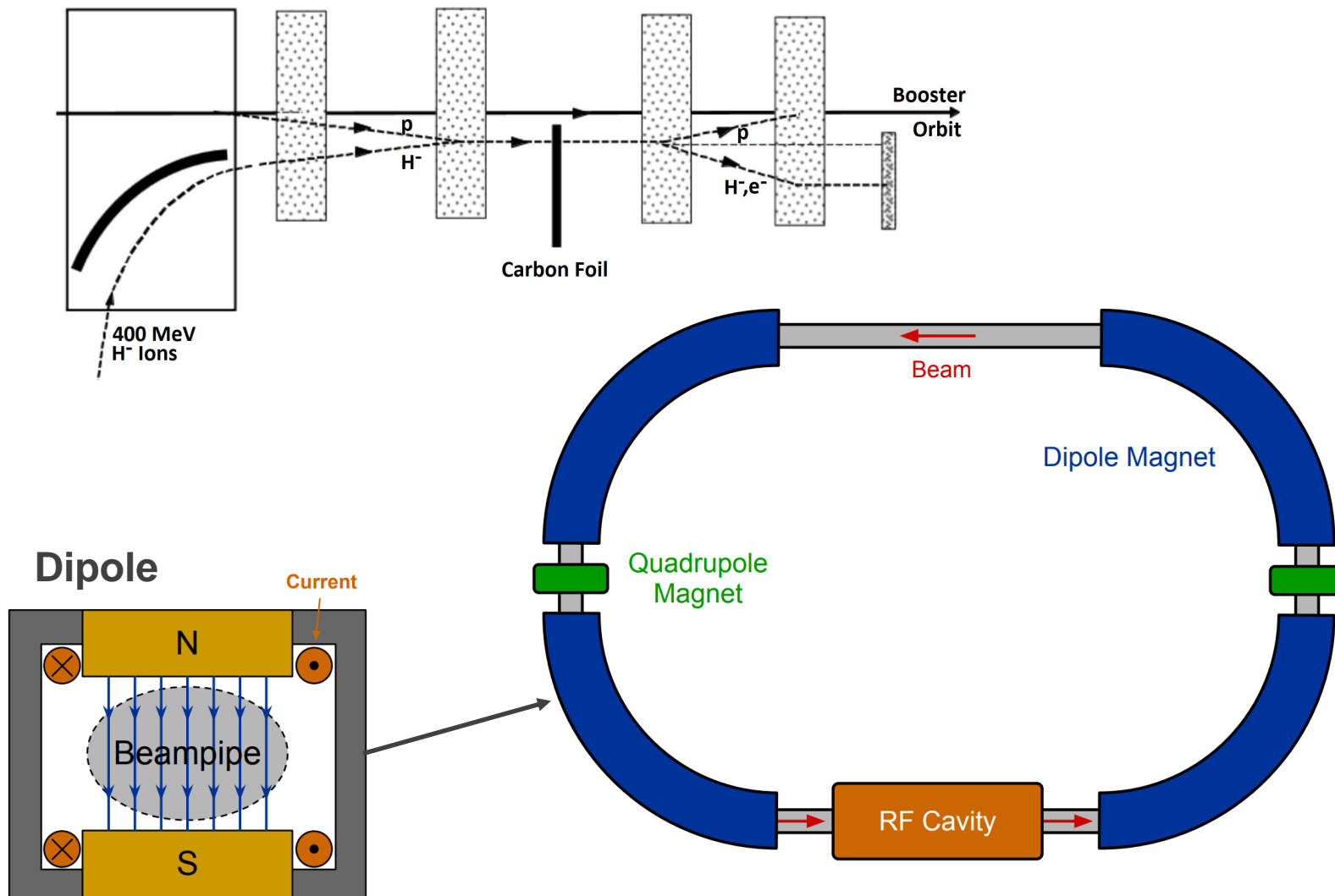


Carbon foil strips the two electrons from the proton.  
Proton beam accumulates in the Booster ring.  
Unstripped H<sup>-</sup> ions are sent to an absorber.

B. Worthel et al., Booster Rookie Book



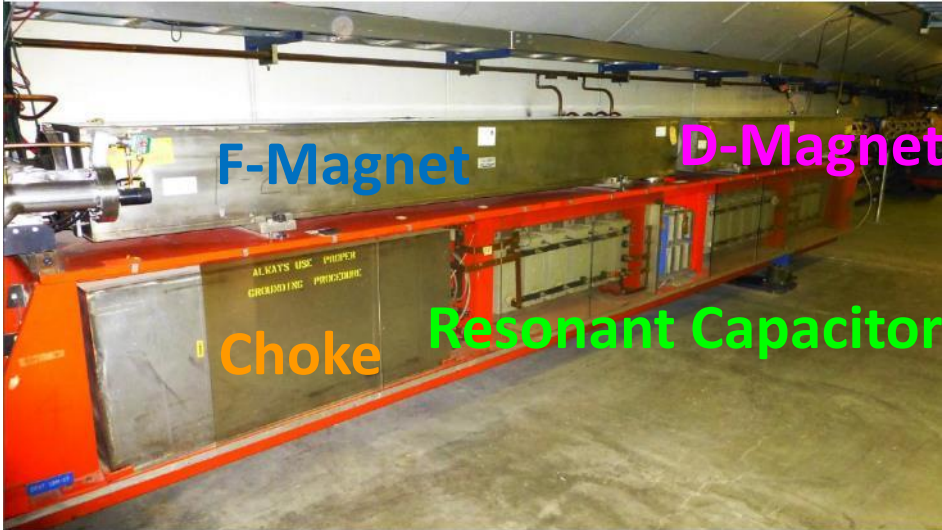
# Simplified Diagram of a Synchrotron



B. Worthel et al., *Booster Rookie Book*  
D. Barak, B. Harrison, A. Watts, *Concepts Rookie Book*

# Fermilab Booster – 8 GeV

K. Seiya, NUFAC19, B. Worthel et al., Booster Rookie Book



15Hz Resonant circuit synchrotron

Accelerating protons from 400MeV to 8GeV in 33.33msecDF

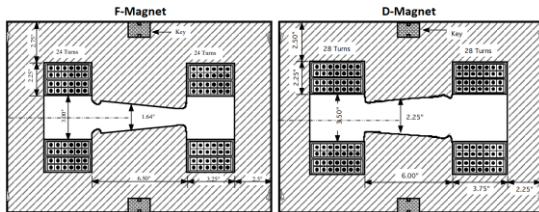
### Status

Intensity:	4.5e12 protons
Efficiency:	94%
Number of protons per hour:	2.3e17 pph

Record flux: >2.5e17 pph in FY18

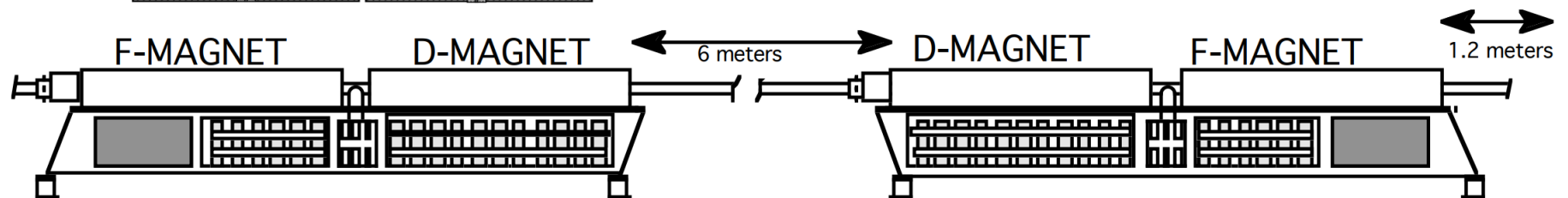
Operational: 2.3e17 pph

Goal: 2.7e17 pph in FY22

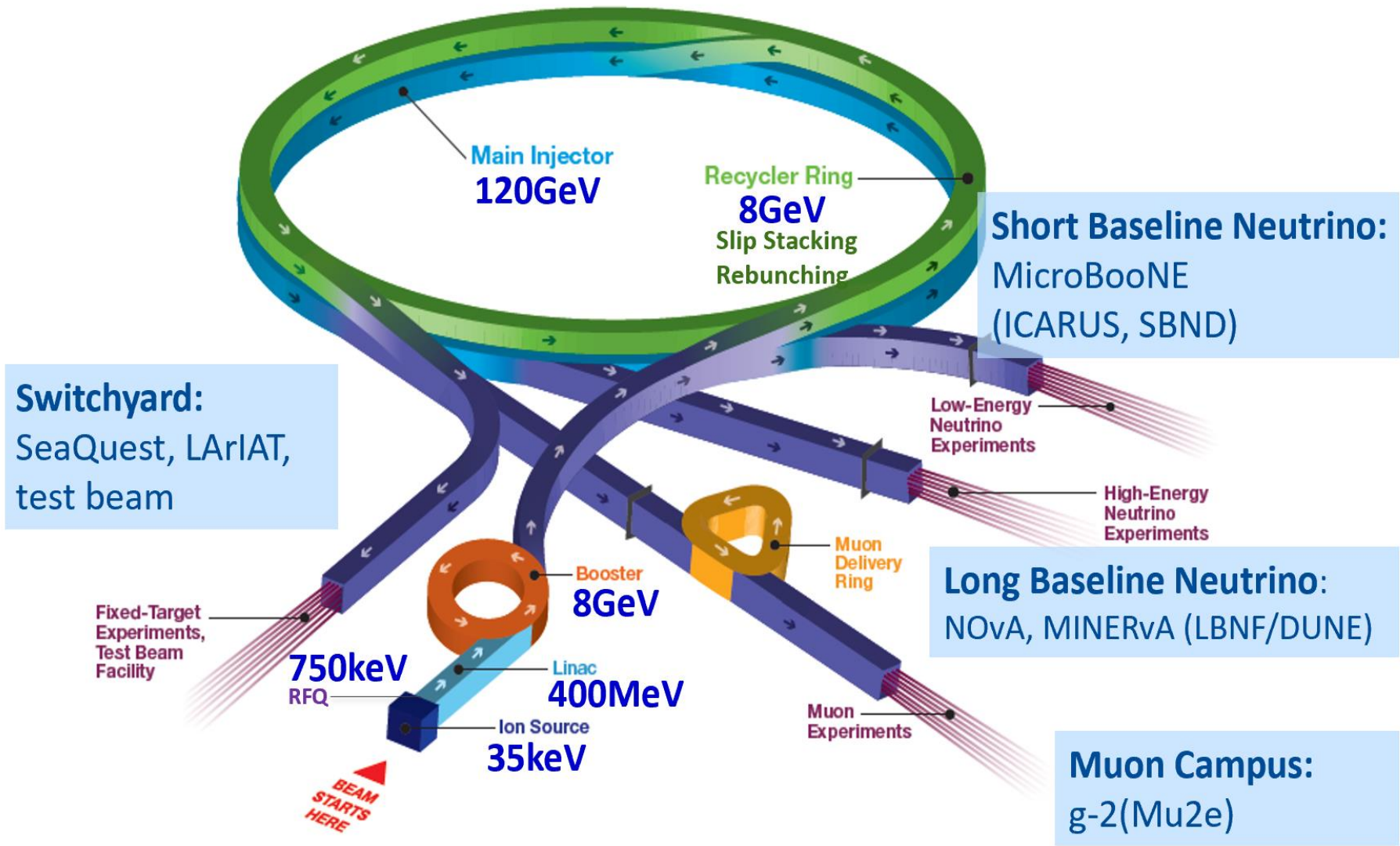


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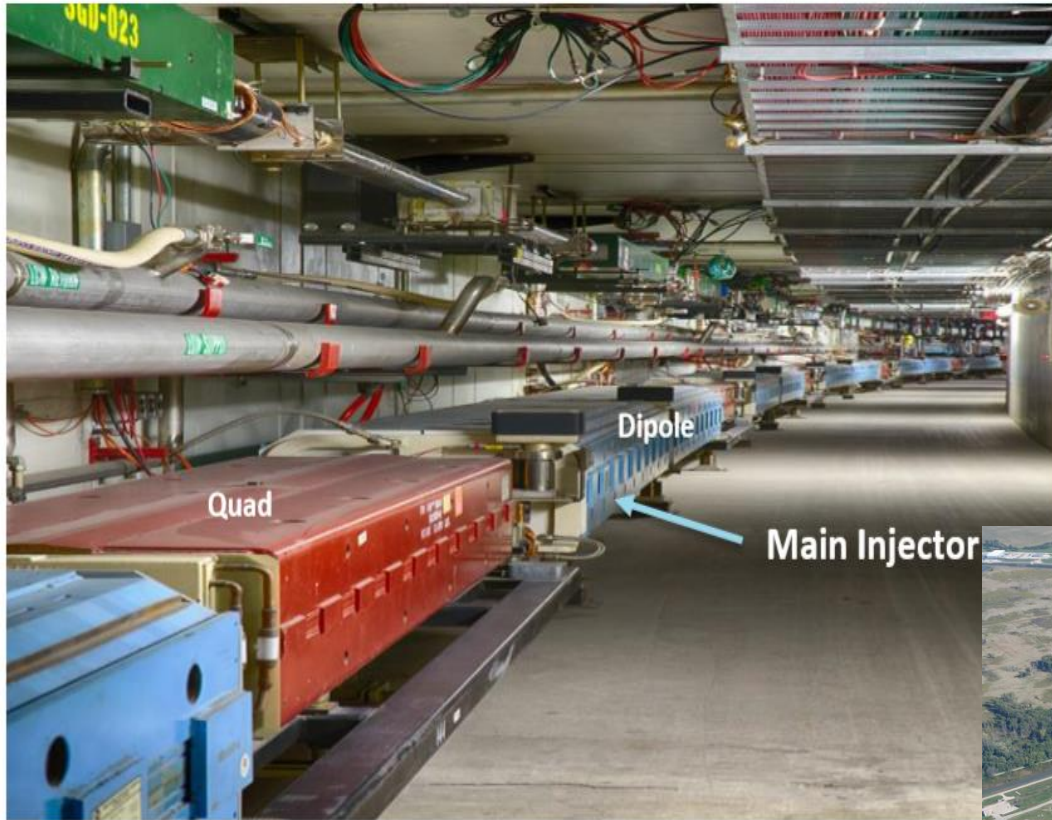
SHORT SECTION



# Fermilab Accelerator Complex and Experiments



# Main Injector – 120 GeV



Recycler (RR):  
8GeV fixed energy storage ring with permanent magnets.

Main Injector (MI):  
8GeV –120GeV Synchrotron

I. Kourbanis,  
K. Seiya, NUFACT19



## Status

Intensity:	53e12 protons
Energy Loss:	1 kJ
Cycle time:	1.333 s

# Filling the Main Injector

Every Main Injector cycle, the Booster extracted twelve pulses (called “batches”).

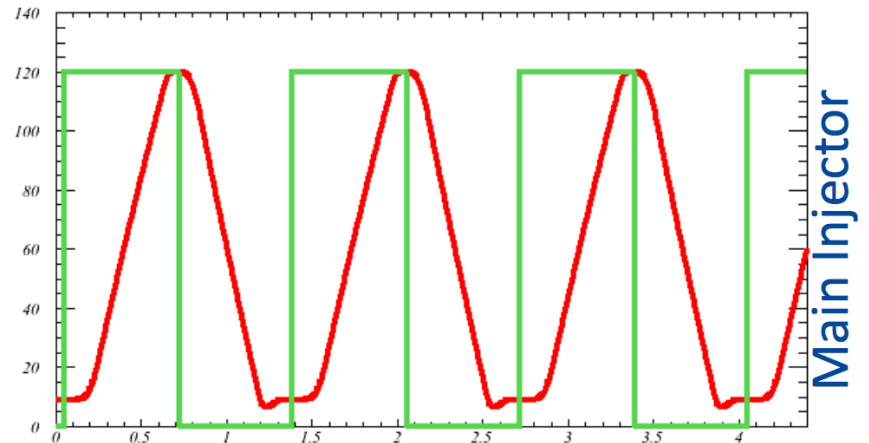
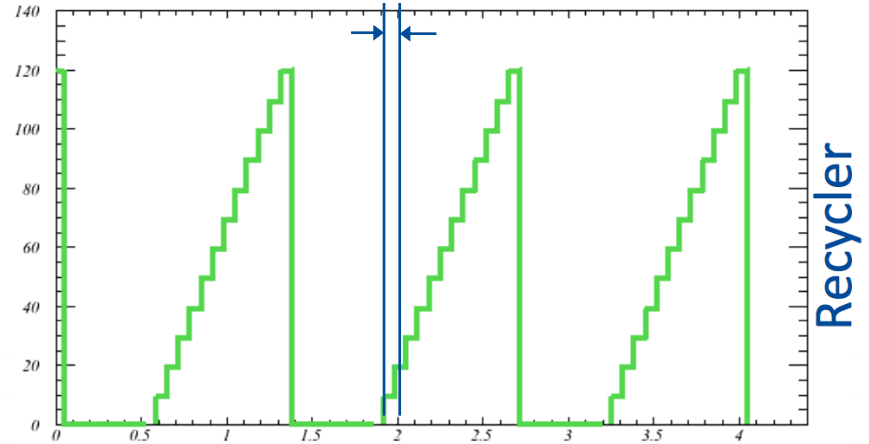
Each batch is stored in the Fermilab Recycler.  
- Actually the Recycler is only 7 times the circumference of the Booster, so the 12 batches have to be overlapped using a two beam technique called slip-stacking.

After accumulation in the Recycler, the beam is transferred to Main Injector to accelerate to 120 GeV.

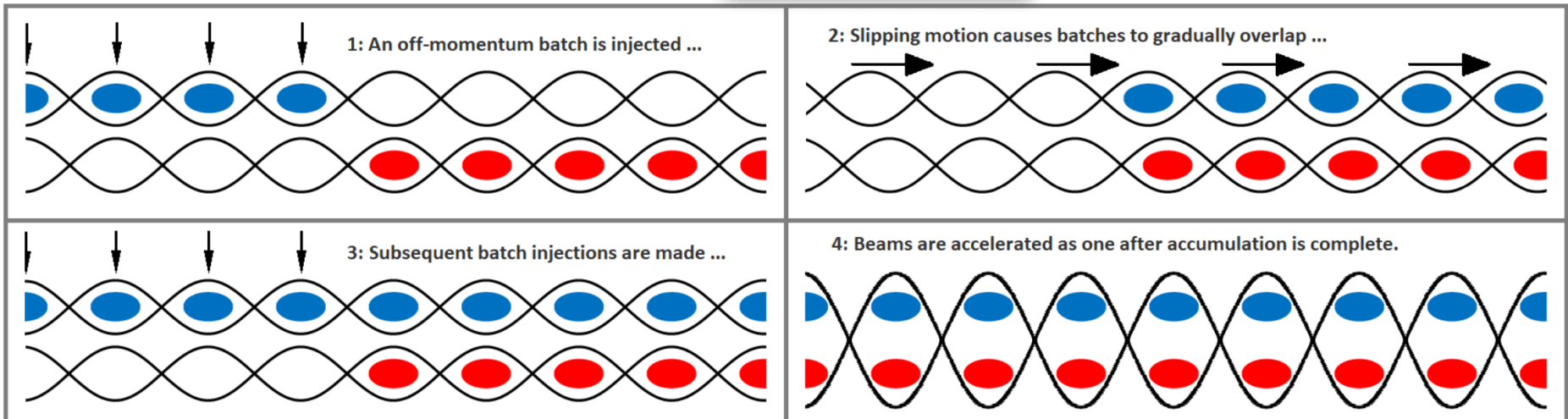
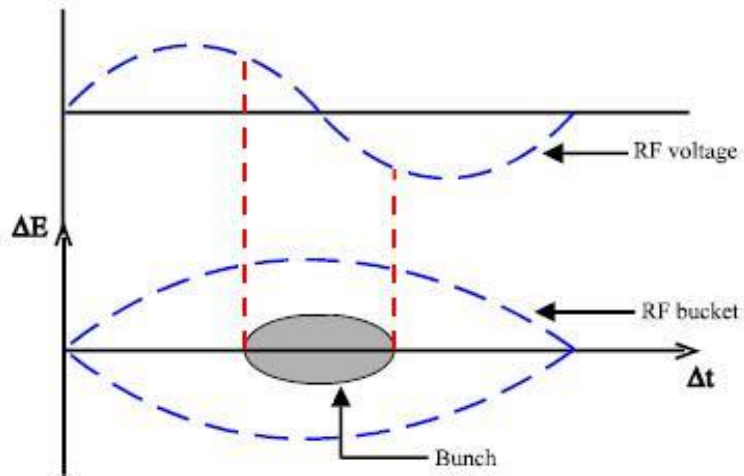
While the MI magnets ramp back down, the Recycler is already accumulating the next pulse.

It takes ~1.2s for the MI to ramp, and ~0.8s for the Recycler to accumulate.

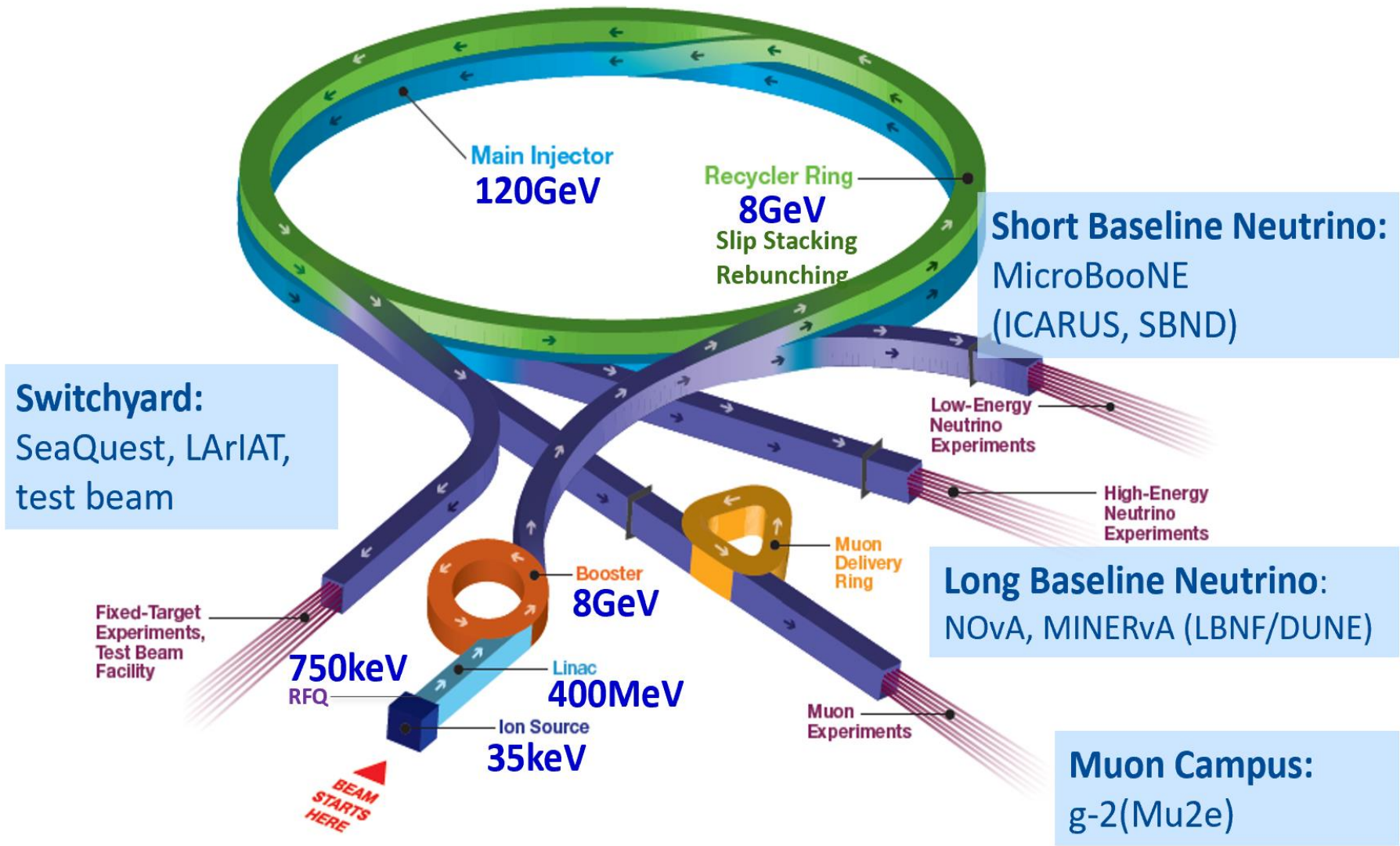
$$\frac{1}{15\text{Hz}} = 0.067\text{ s}$$



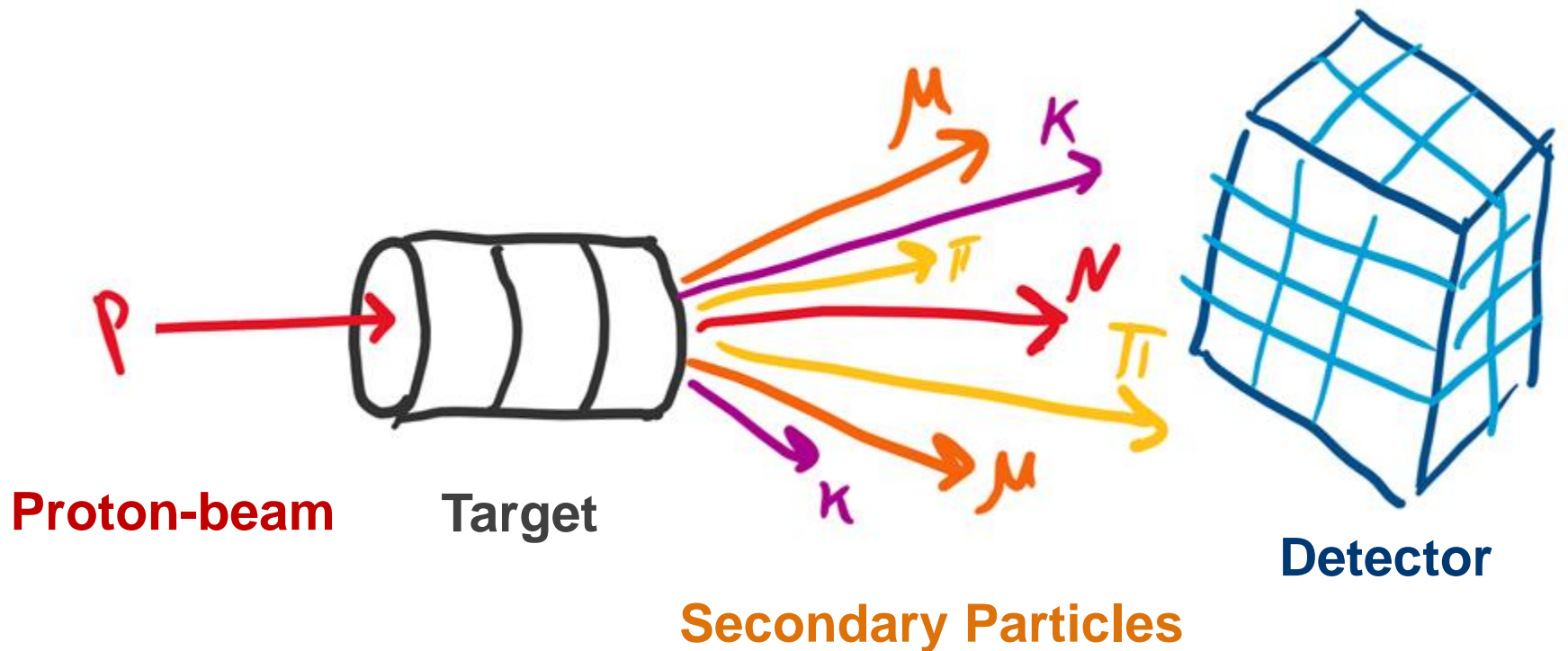
# Slip-stacking



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# Cartoon of Particle Accelerator Experiments



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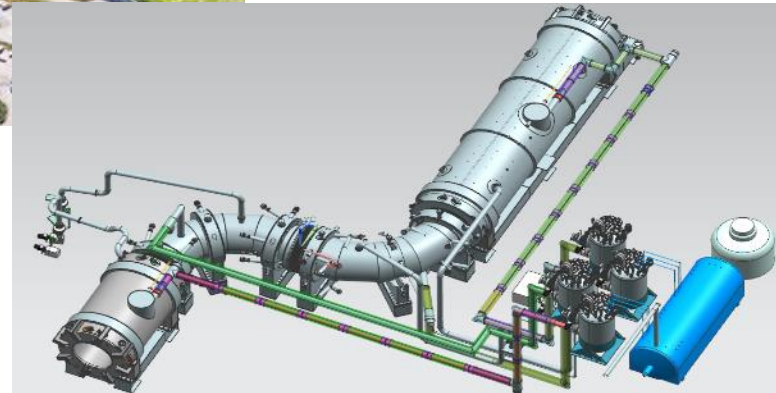
# Delivery Ring & Muon Campus

K. Seiya, NUFACT19



Mu2e being built

g-2 started 2017

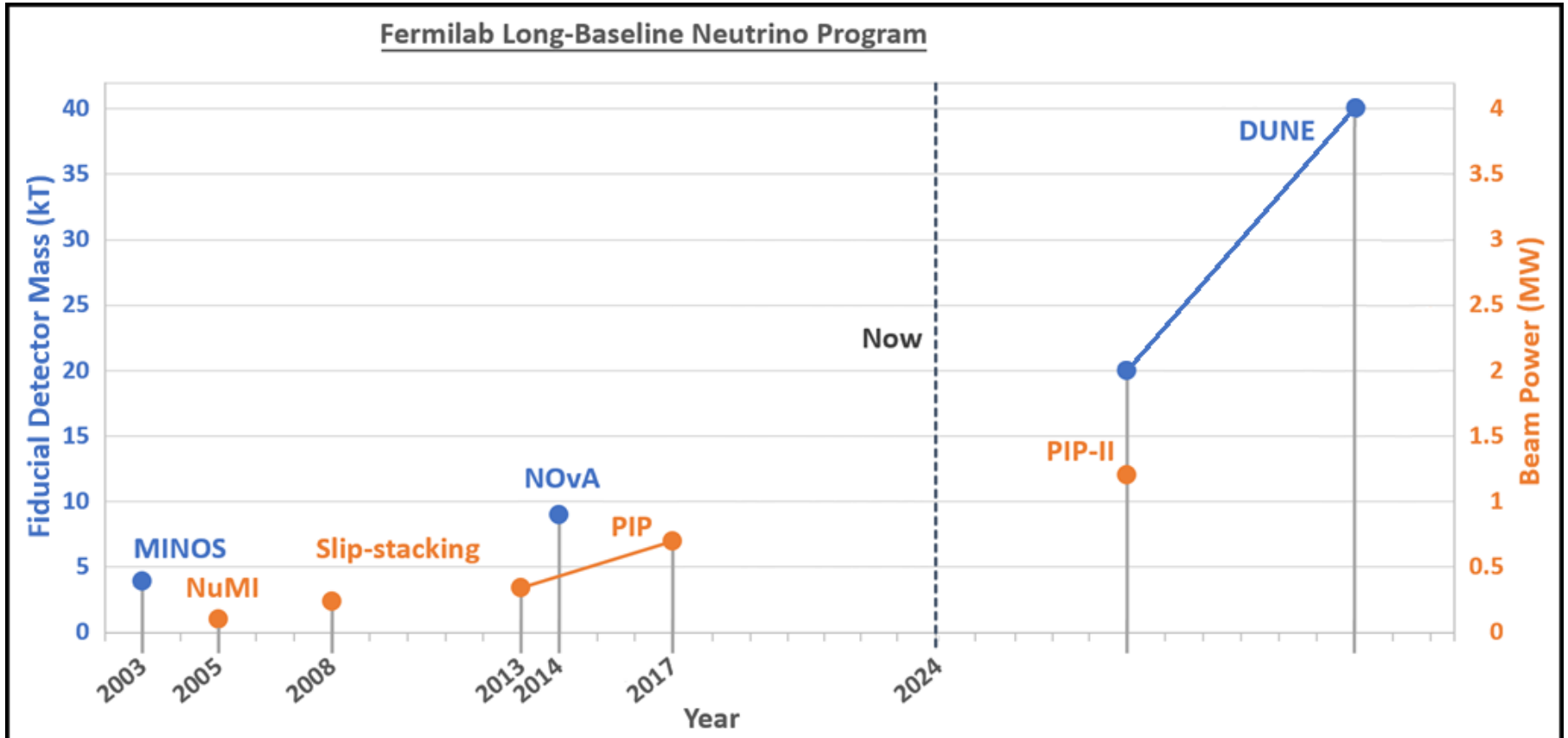


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# Future Proton Complex

# Beam Power and Detector Size

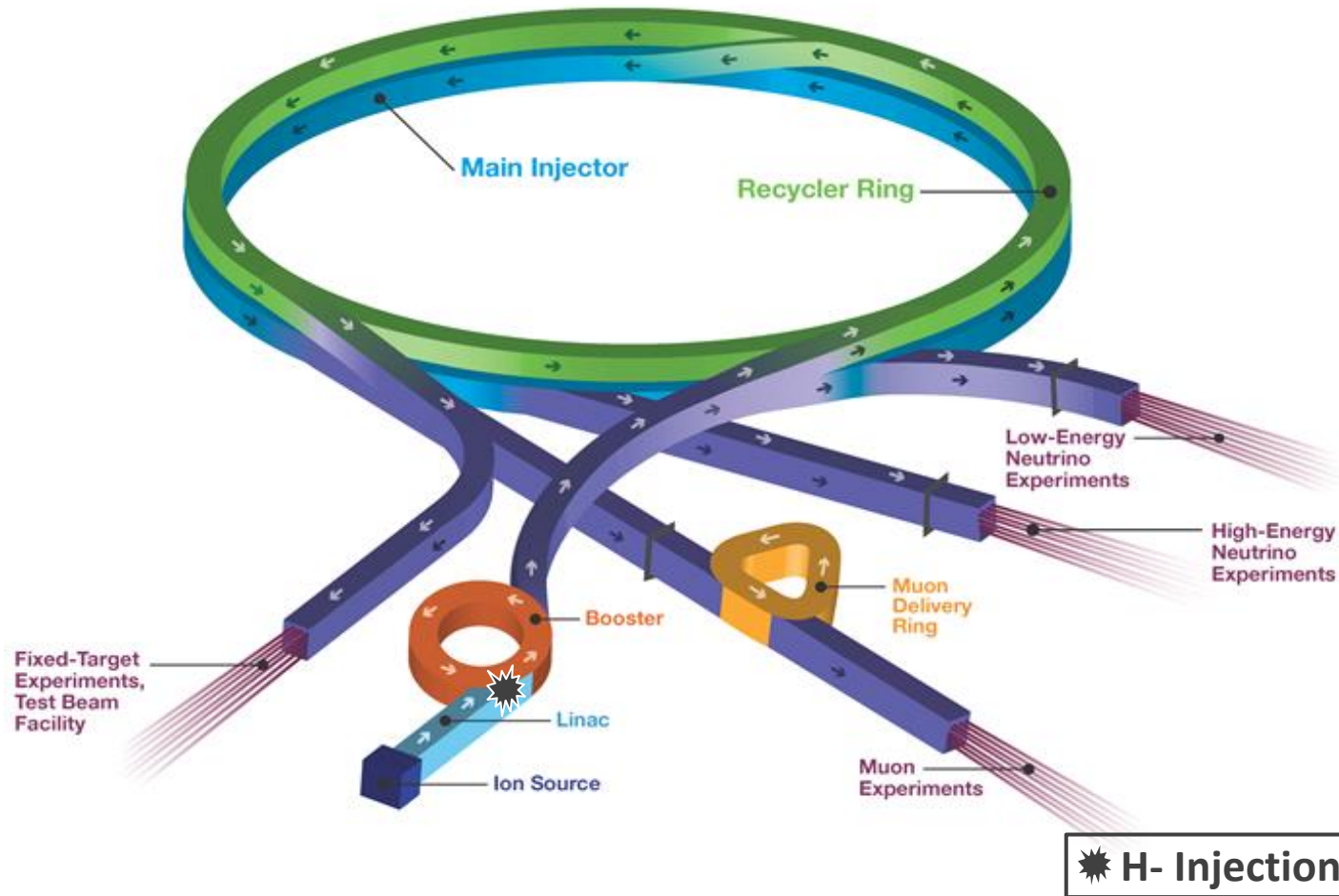
DUNE long-baseline neutrino program calls for 2.4 MW



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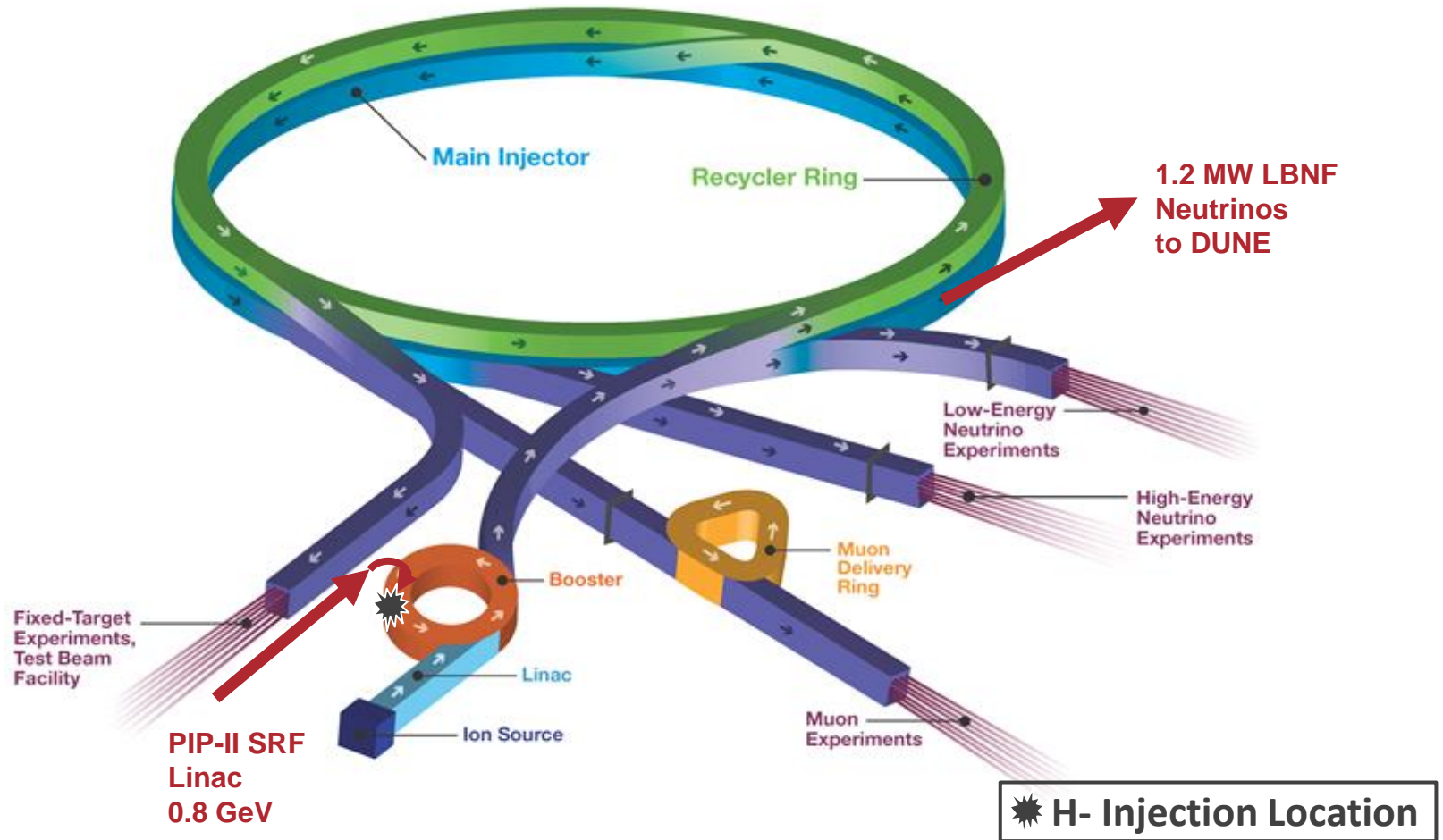
# Fermilab Upcoming Upgrades 700-900 kW

## Fermilab Accelerator Complex



# Fermilab Upcoming Upgrades PIP-II 1.2MW

## Fermilab Accelerator Complex



New SRF linac raises Booster injection energy, new LBNF beamline.

# PIP-II Linac & Upgrade



## 800 MeV H<sup>-</sup> linac

- Warm Front End
- SRF section

## Linac-to-Booster transfer line

- 3-way beam split

## Upgraded Booster

- 20 Hz, 800 MeV injection
- New injection area

## Upgraded Recycler & Main Injector

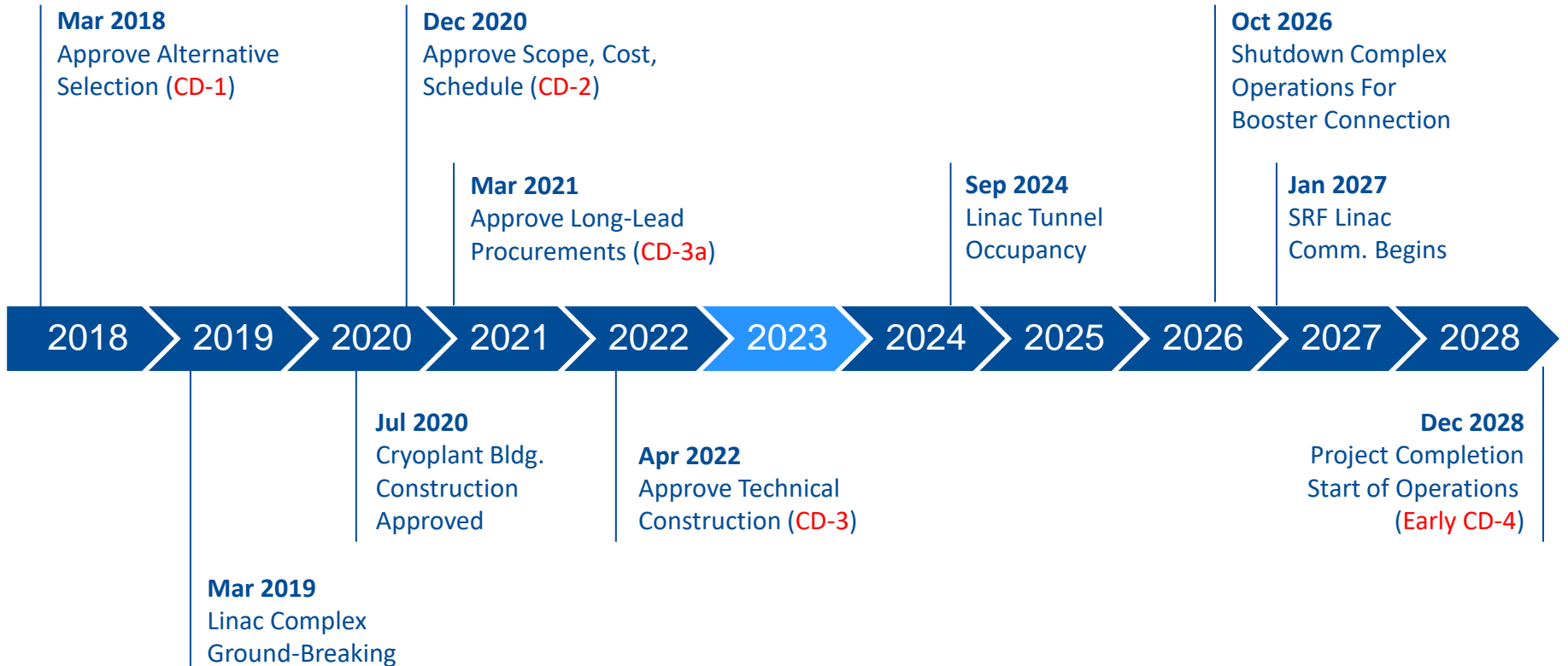
- RF in both rings

## Conventional facilities

- Site preparation
- Cryoplant Building
- Linac Complex
- Booster Connection

E. Pozdeyev, SpaceCharge19

# PIP-II Timeline



# What's next? P5 Report offer clues

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Over the last three years, the entire US physics community got together to discuss new physics experiments, priorities, and planning.

This is called Snowmass and culminated in the [P5 Report](#)

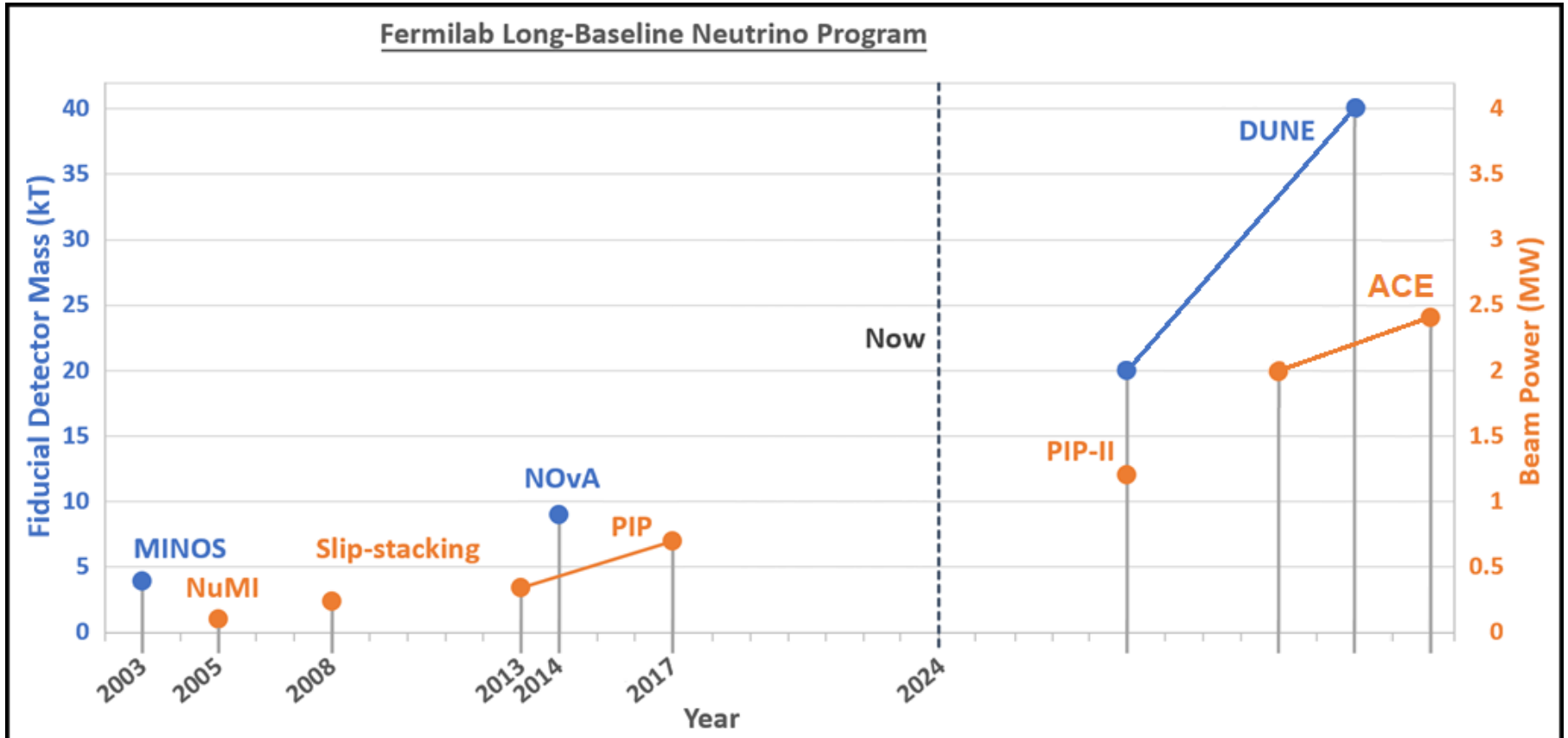
A couple of Fermilab related recommendations

- Affirms support for Fermilab's **DUNE** program and **PIP-II** upgrade.
- Supports a newly proposed upgrade called **ACE-MIRT** which includes
  - Reducing the Main Injector ramp rate from 1.2s to 0.65s.
  - Material R&D and new designs for high-power neutrino targets.
  - Improve the reliability and infrastructure of the entire complex.
- Assess the Fermilab **Booster reliability**, and take measures.
- More **accelerator R&D**, in particular for new collider ideas.
- Develop a **20-year strategic plan** for future Fermilab proton complex.
  - What is after DUNE? What is after neutrino program?
  - Should we start to build a **muon collider**?



# Beam Power and Detector Size (with ACE)

DUNE long-baseline neutrino program calls for 2.4 MW



J. Eldred, JINST 2019

# ACE MIRT – Main Injector Ramp & Targetry

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Make the Main Injector ramp faster, rather than increasing intensity. Better for machine performance and better for targets.

To shorten the MI cycle 1.2 to 0.65s, the ramp needs to be twice as fast!

Requires more voltage and electrical power

Power supplies, transformers, feeders, service building size, additional tunnel penetrations, additional cooling

RF accelerating system

Replace cavities with newer design (more volts per cavity) or add cavities of current design

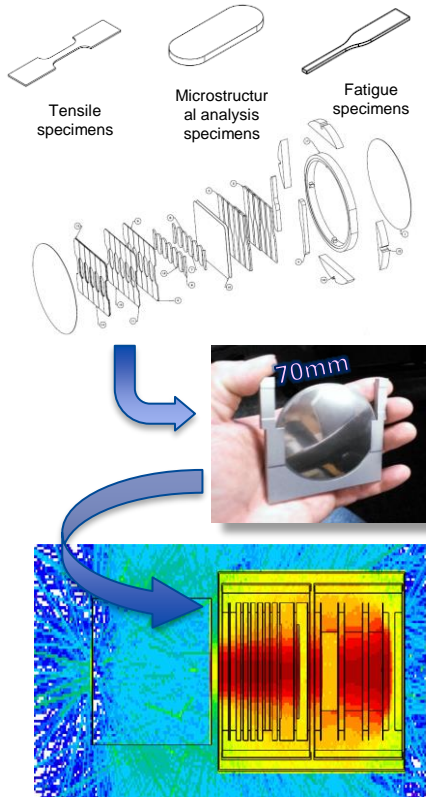
Regulation, control & instrumentation

New low-level RF, new power supply regulation/control system

Beam dynamics, losses and shielding

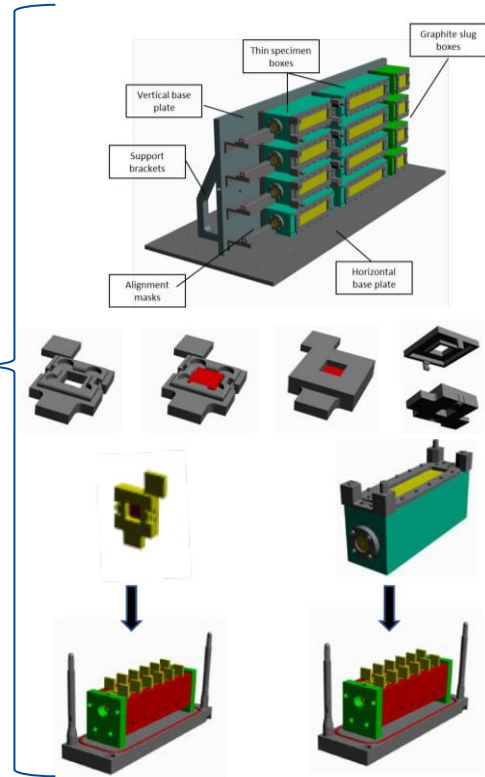
Upgrade MI collimators, upgrade abort line

# Target materials R&D on critical path to 2+ MW target

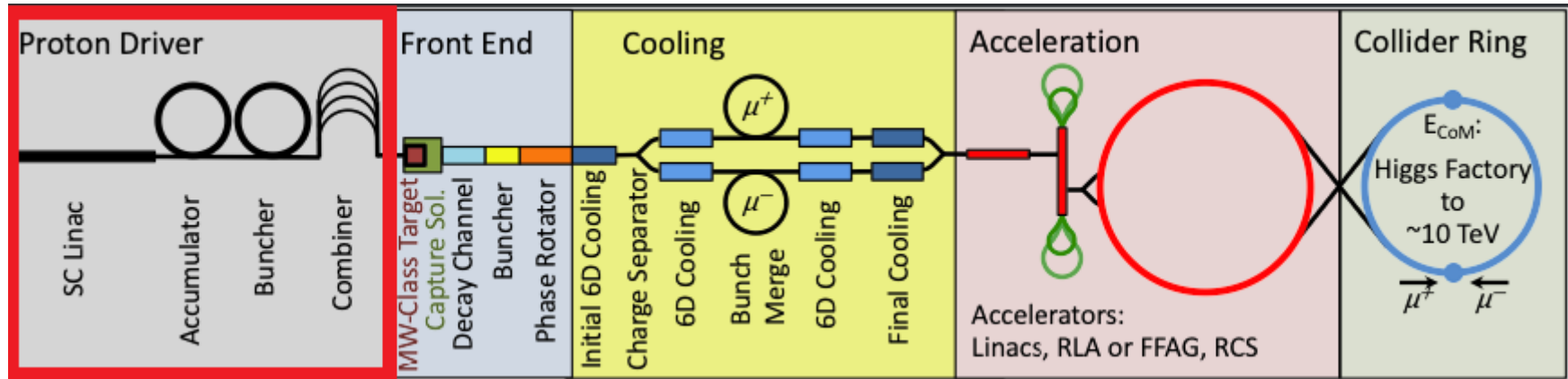


1. Identify candidate materials
2. High-energy proton irradiation of material specimens to reach expected radiation damage
3. Pulsed-beam experiments of irradiated specimens to duplicate loading conditions of beam interactions
4. Non-beam PIE (Post-Irradiation Examination) of specimens
  - Material properties
  - Microscopic structural changes
  - High-cycle fatigue testing

Five-year cycle needs to start ASAP



# Muon Collider

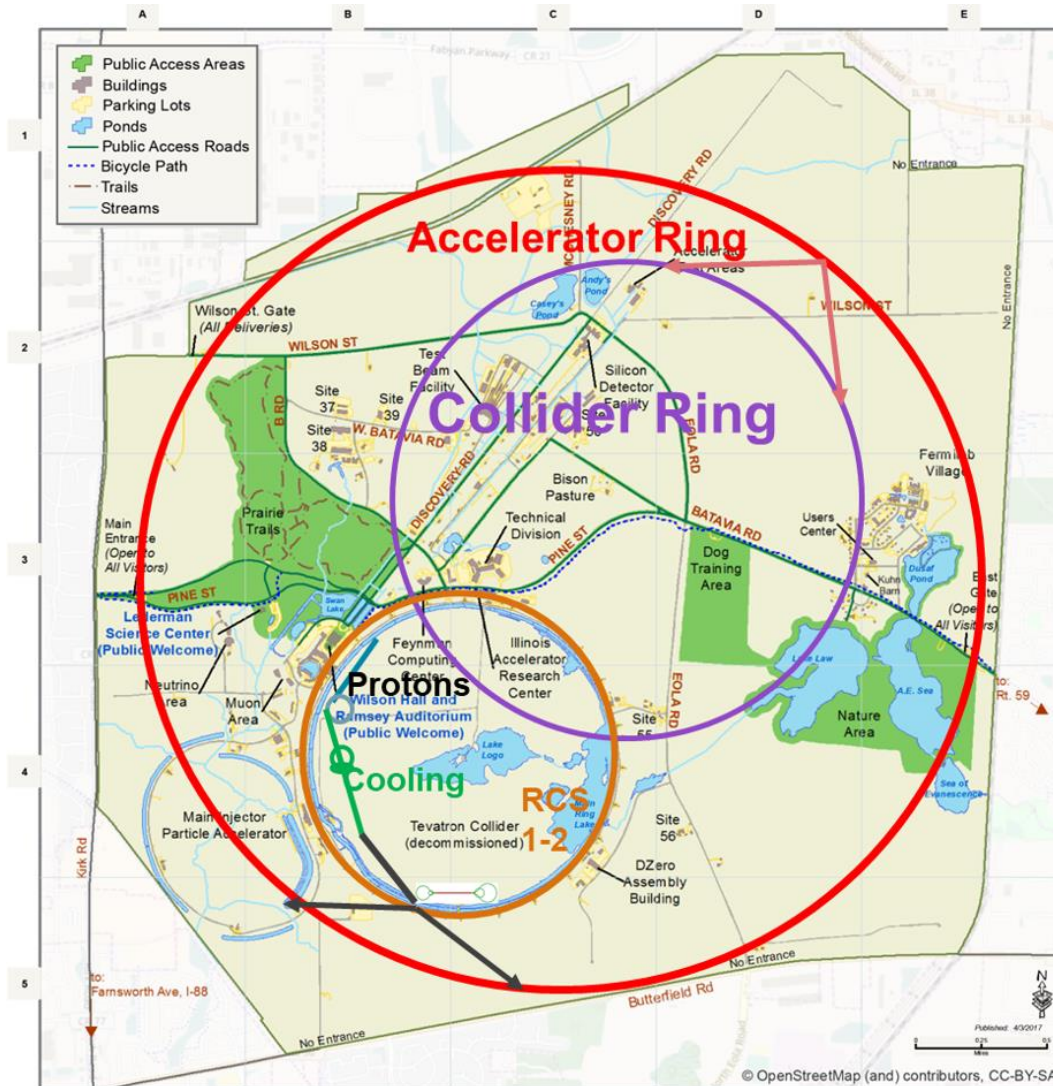


## A complex chain of accelerators each of which needs R&D!

- Generate muons by concentrating 1-4MW protons on a target.
- Use a high-power target and power solenoid to capture the muons.
- Cool those muons to collect them into a dense muon bunch.
- Rapidly accelerate the muons to 5 TeV before they all decay.
- Collide muons and anti-muons while managing intense decay radiation.

If the CERN LHC is like the first man on the Moon,  
Muon Collider is the first person on Mars...

# Muon Collider – 5+5 TeV on Fermilab Site

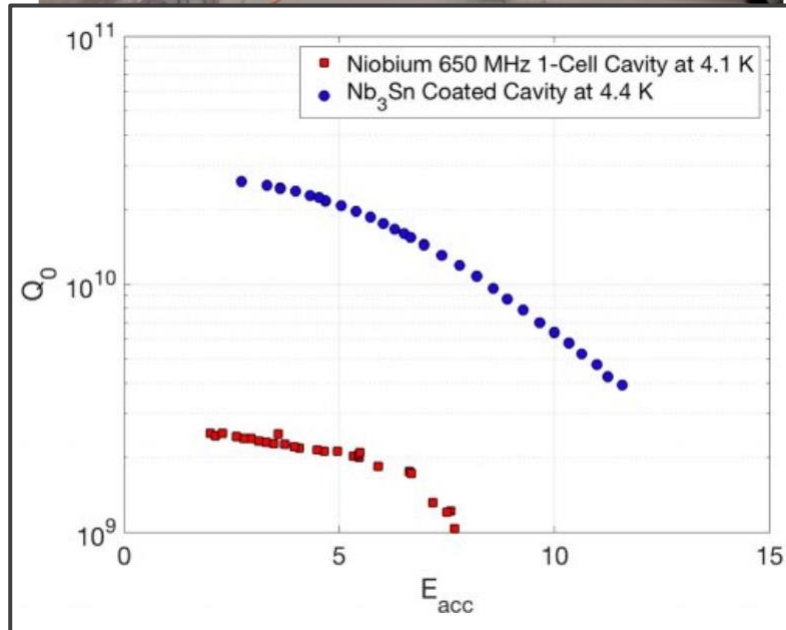
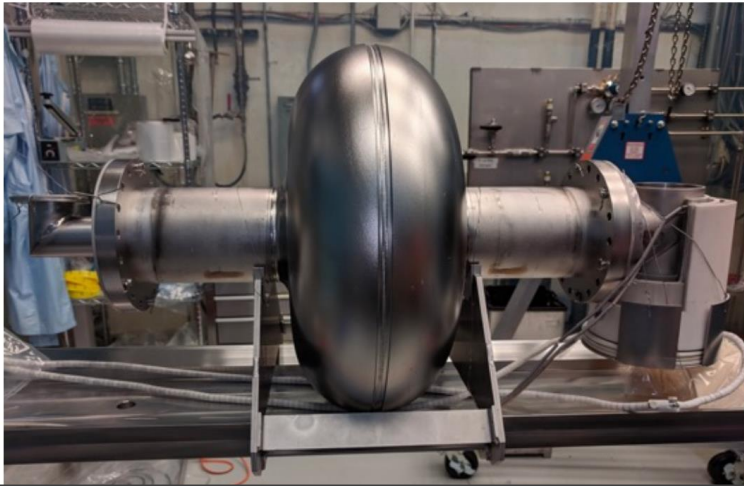


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# Accelerator R&D Facilities

# Superconducting RF at Fermilab Technology Division

S. Posen, 2018



Fermilab has a cutting-edge superconducting RF R&D program to make accelerators more powerful, more efficient, and more affordable.

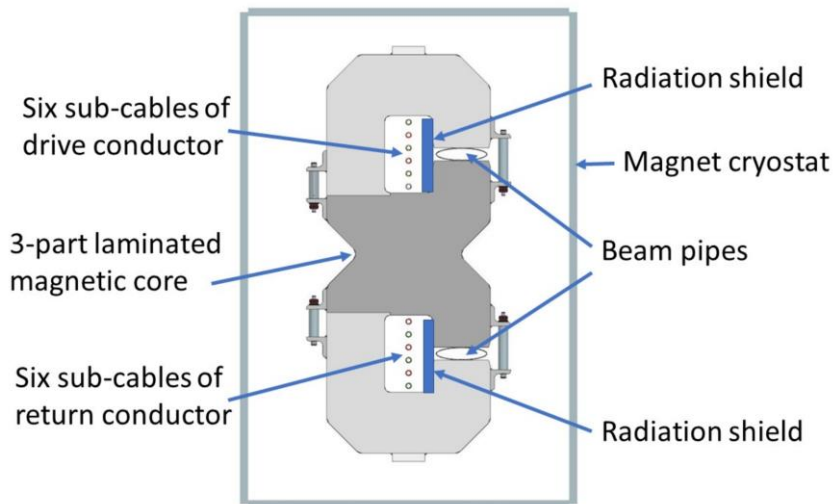
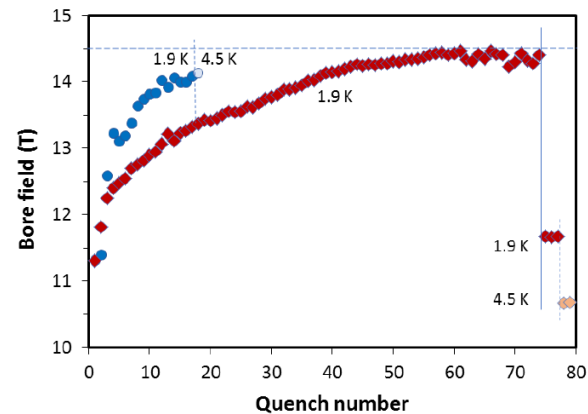
# Superconducting Magnets at Fermilab TD

**Highest field superconducting  $Nb_3Sn$  accelerator magnet!**

The field levels achieved in dipole model MDPCT1 at 4.5 K and 1.9 K set *new world records for accelerator magnets*

$$B_{\max} = 14.5 \text{ T @ 1.9 K}$$

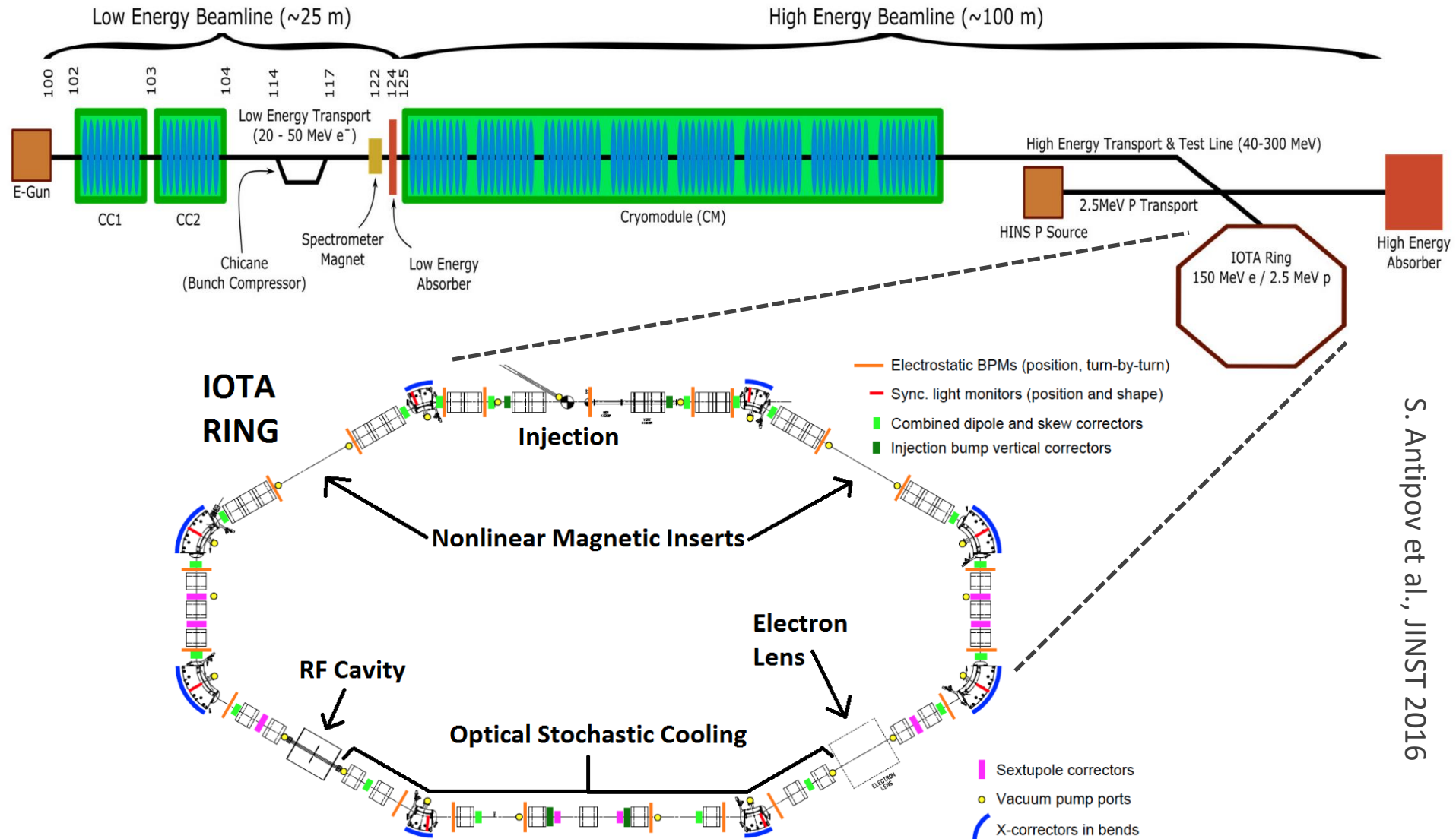
MDPCT1 field



**Fastest-ramping superconducting REBCO accelerator magnet!**



# FAST/IOTA – Accelerator R&D Facility at Fermilab



S. Antipov et al., JINST 2016

# Research + Operations at the Proton Complex

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## Linac

- Next-generation particle sources.
- Reliability and ML tuning.

## Booster

- Extreme space-charge.
- PIP-II era H<sup>-</sup> injection design.

## Delivery Ring / Muon Campus

- Resonant slow-extraction and beam quality.

## Recycler / Main Injector

- Understanding collective instabilities, particle resonances.
- Dynamics of slip-stacking beams.

## Beamlines & Targets

- Material reliability in high-radiation environments.
- Optimal capture/focusing for experiments.

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Thank you!  
Any Questions?