



## 2024 INTERNATIONAL TOPICAL MEETING ON NUCLEAR APPLICATIONS OF ACCELERATORS

# Charge stripper ring for RIBF

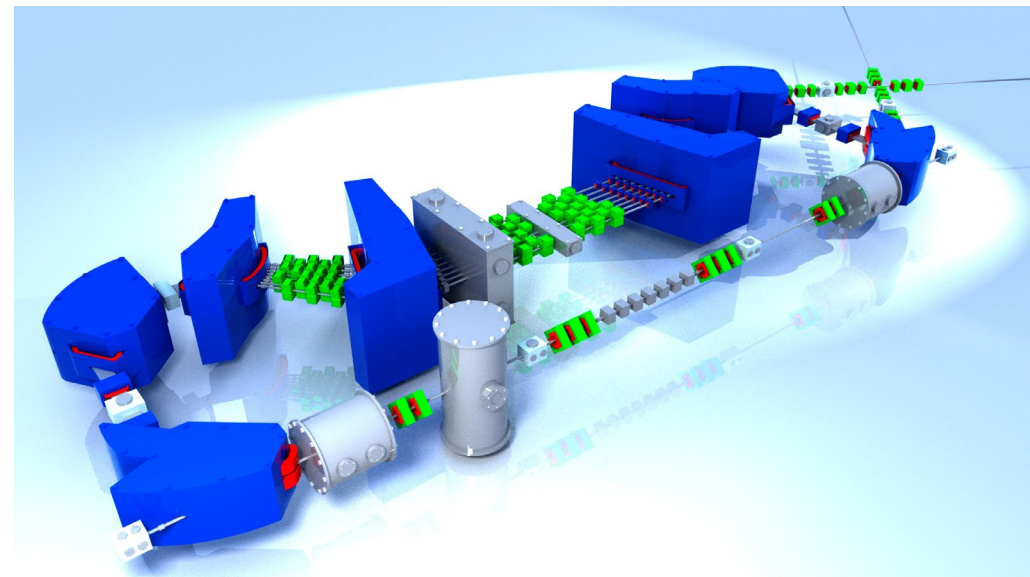
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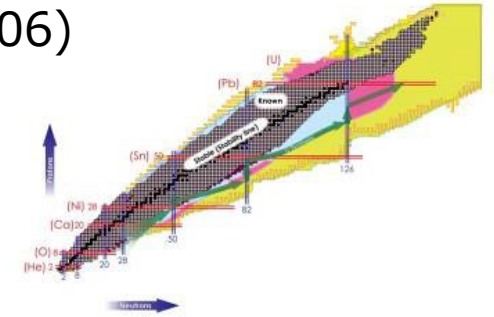


RIBF

Cyclotron-based Heavy-ion accelerator for in-flight RI beams (since 2006)

Super conducting ring cyclotron (SRC) is a main device.

Acceleration of ALL ions up to **345 MeV/u (70% of c) in CW mode**

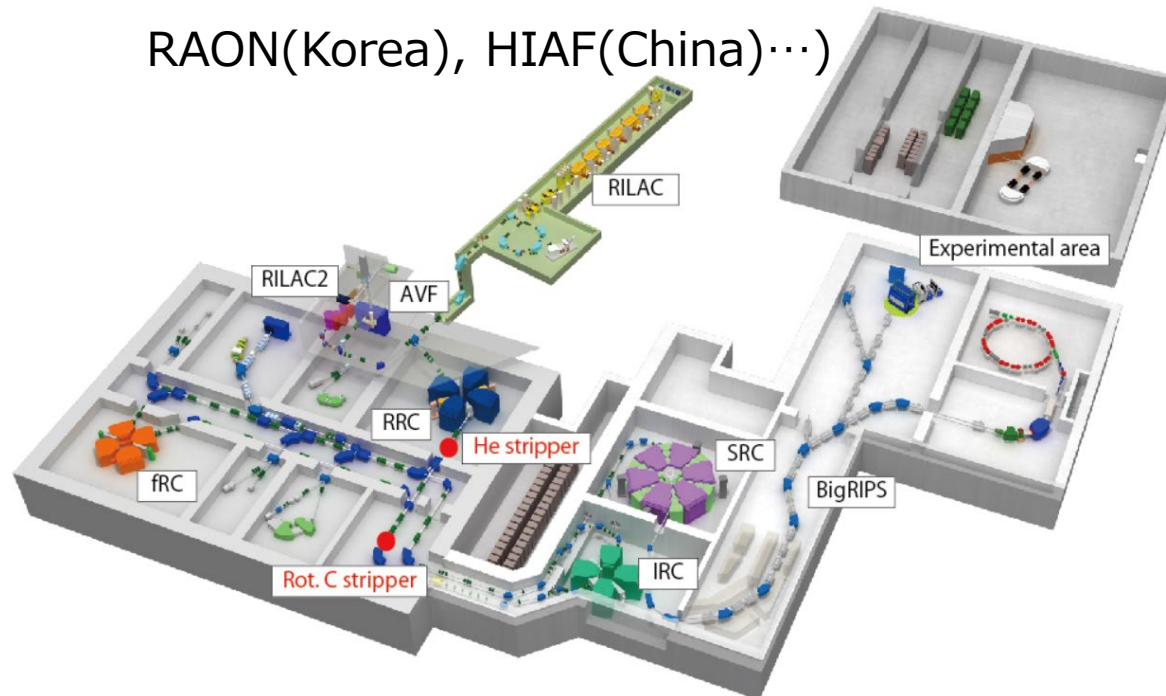


## Intensity upgrade of $^{238}\text{U}$

Generation of in-flight fission RI beams ( $A \sim 100$ ) for elucidation of elemental synthesis

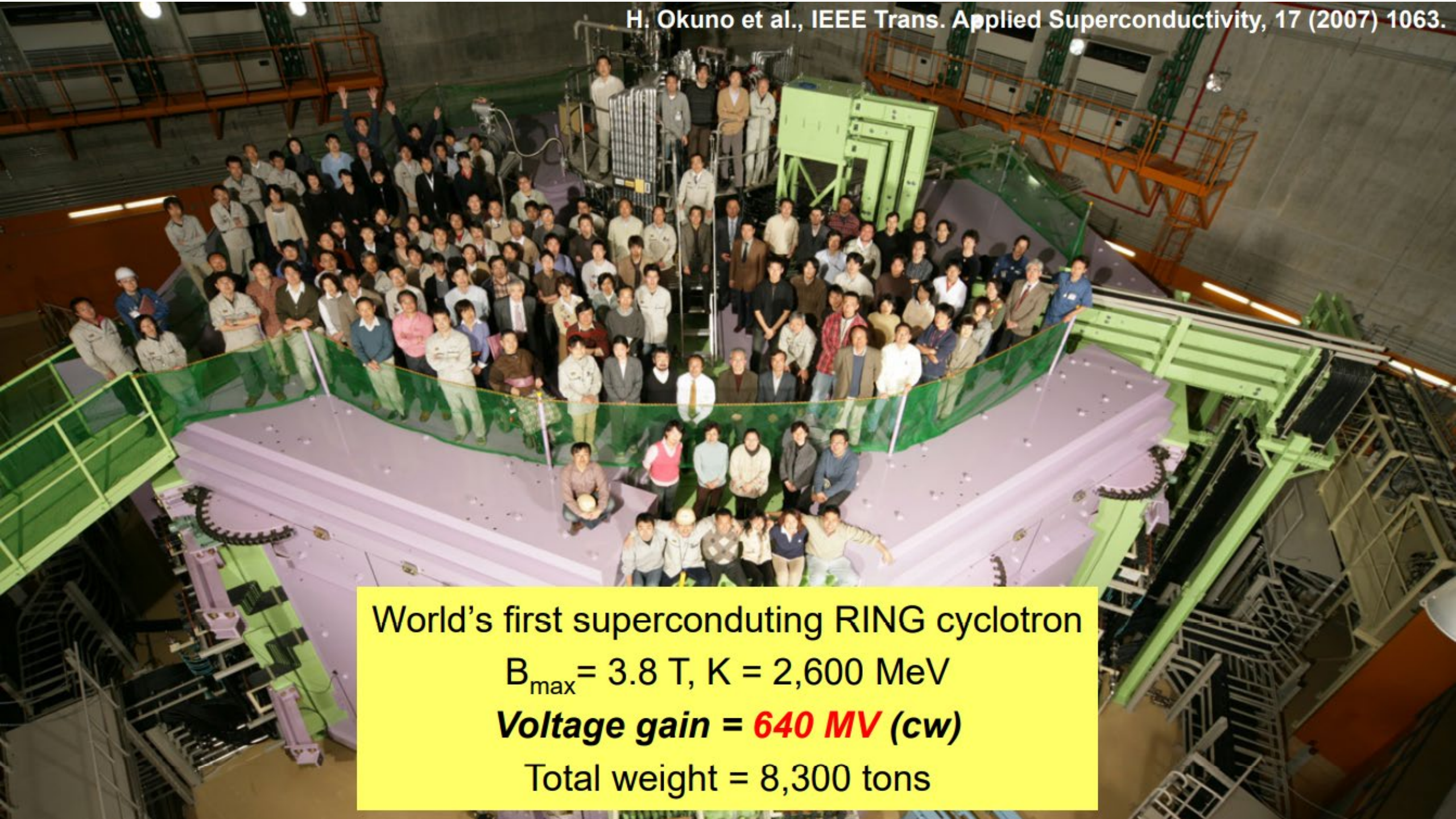
Only 0.1% of the goal intensity  $1 \mu\text{A}$  (ion sources, strippers, space charge effects)

Construction of next-generation facilities worldwide (FRIB(USA), FAIR(Germany), RAON(Korea), HIAF(China)...) )



	RRC	fRC	IRC	SRC
<b>K value [MeV]</b>	540	570	980	2600
<b>number of sectors</b>	4	4	4	6
<b>velocity gain</b>	4	2.1	1.5	1.5
<b>frequency range [MHz]</b>	18-38	54.75	18-38	18-38
<b>weight [ton]</b>	2300	1500	2700	8300





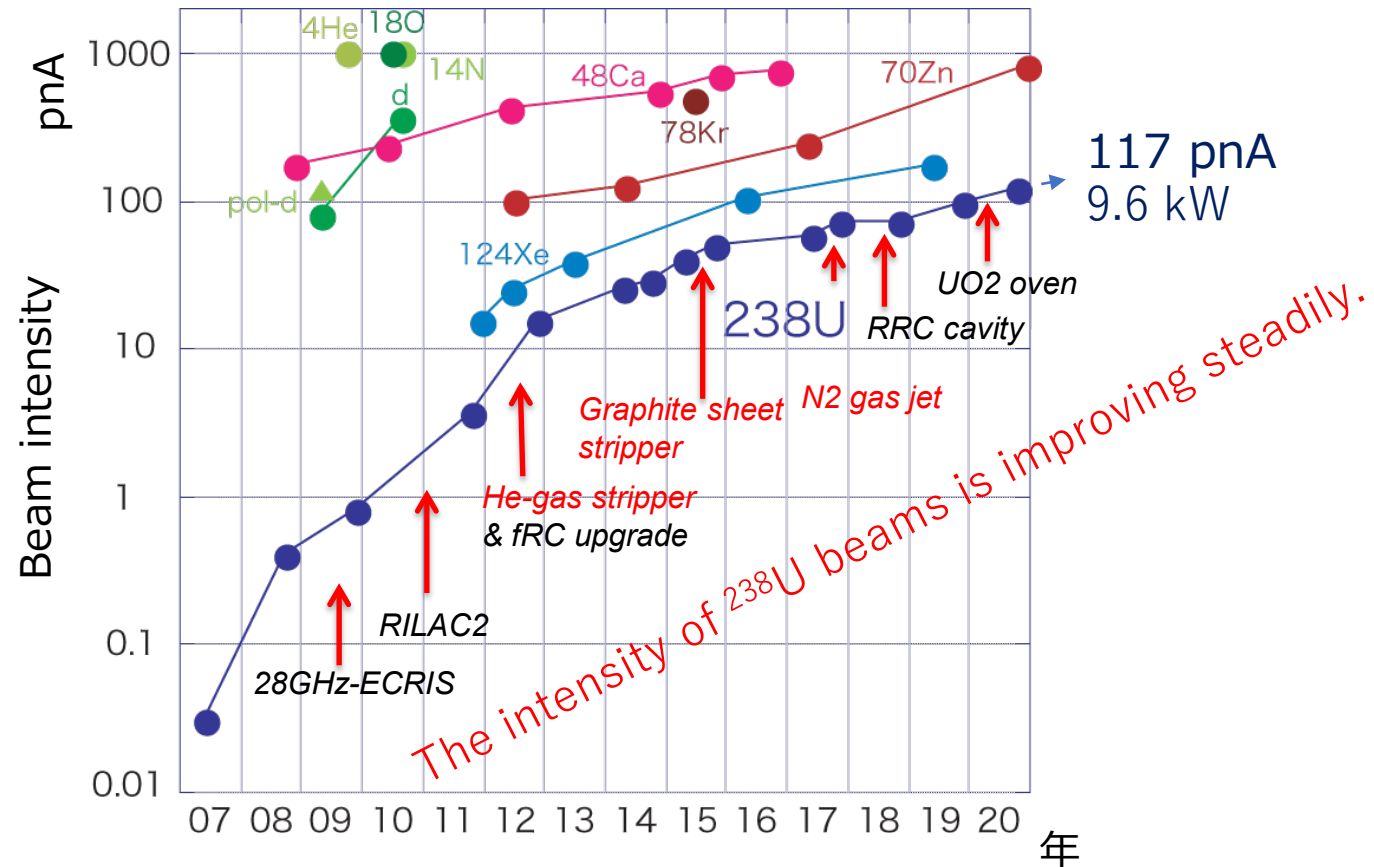
World's first superconducting RING cyclotron

$B_{\max} = 3.8 \text{ T}$ ,  $K = 2,600 \text{ MeV}$

**Voltage gain = 640 MV (cw)**

Total weight = 8,300 tons

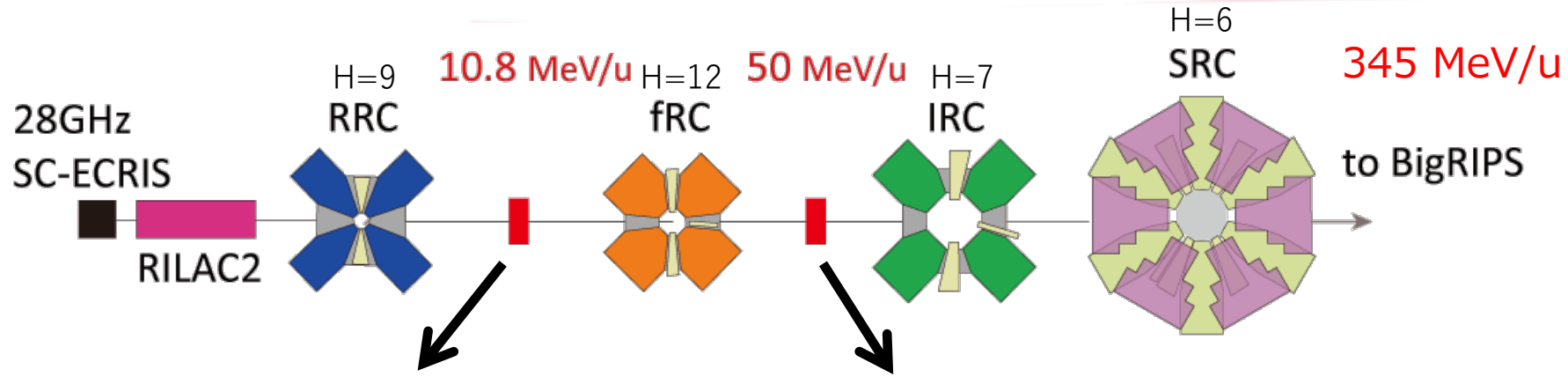
# Intensity upgrade of $^{238}\text{U}$



240-fold increase in beam intensity of  $^{238}\text{U}$  since 2008

- Improvements of 28GHz-ECRIS and injector (RILAC2)
- **He gas stripper** and graphite disk stripper (lifetime problem)
- Refinement of accelerator operation techniques
- RF cavities upgrade for RRC (space charge problem)

# Acceleration scheme of $^{238}\text{U}$ at RIBF

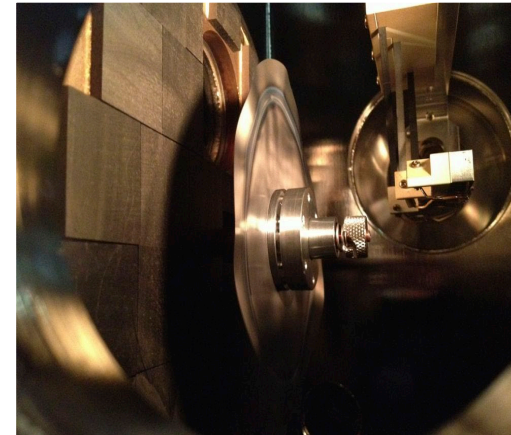
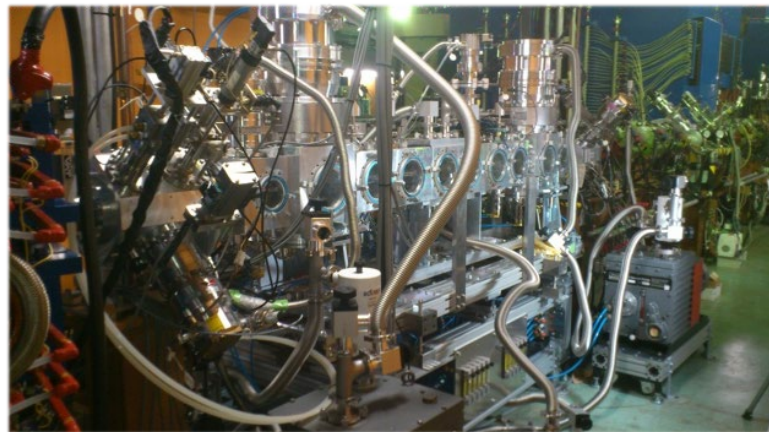


1. He gas stripper  
(since 2012)

$35+ \Rightarrow 64+$  (20%)

2. Rotating disk stripper  
(since 2012)

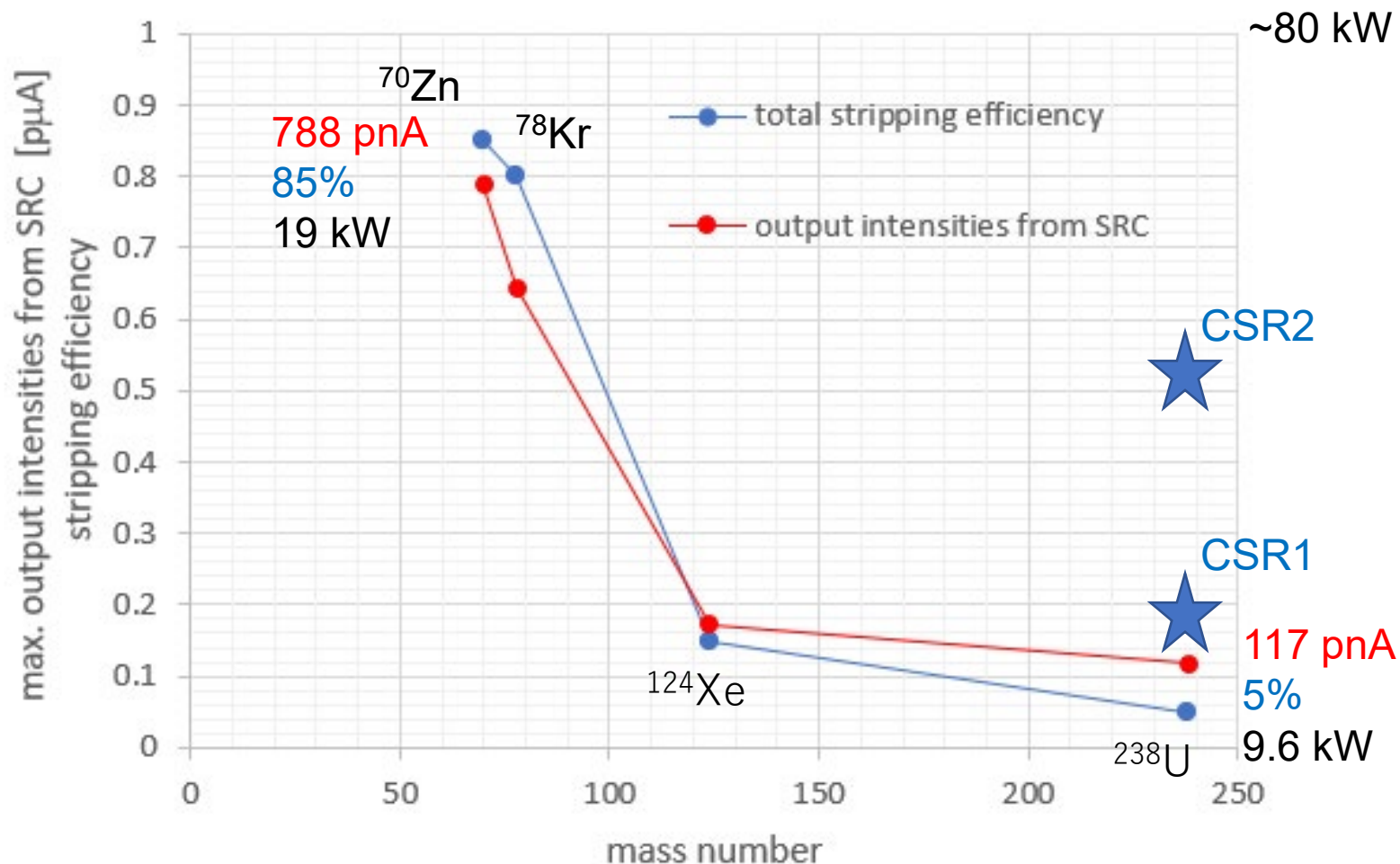
$64+ \Rightarrow 86+$  (25%)



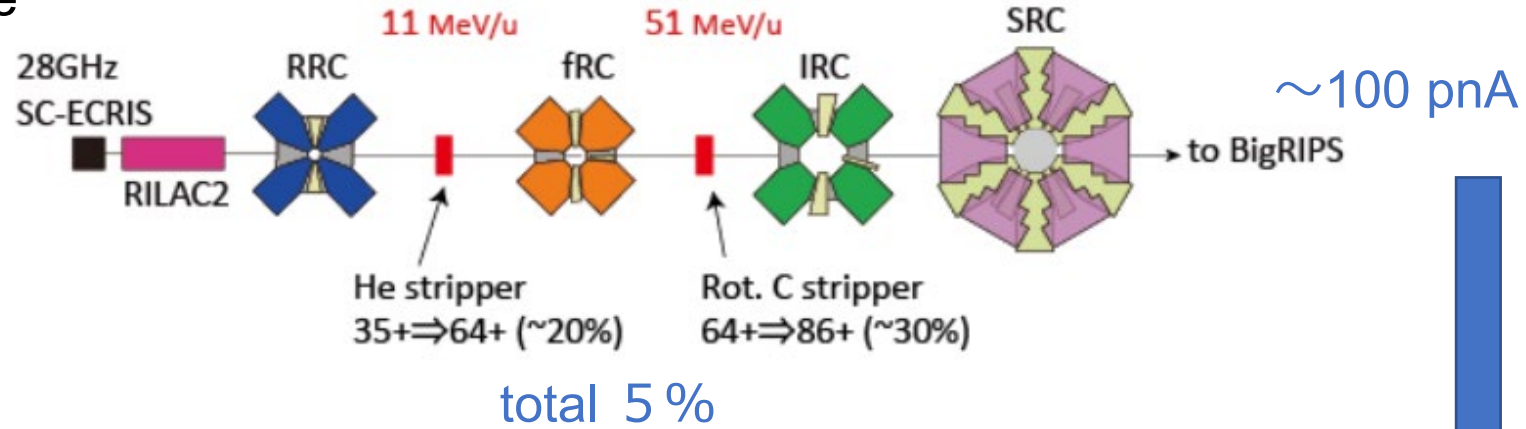
Conventional carbon foil strippers cannot be applied for U acceleration

# Dependence of total charge stripping efficiency on mass

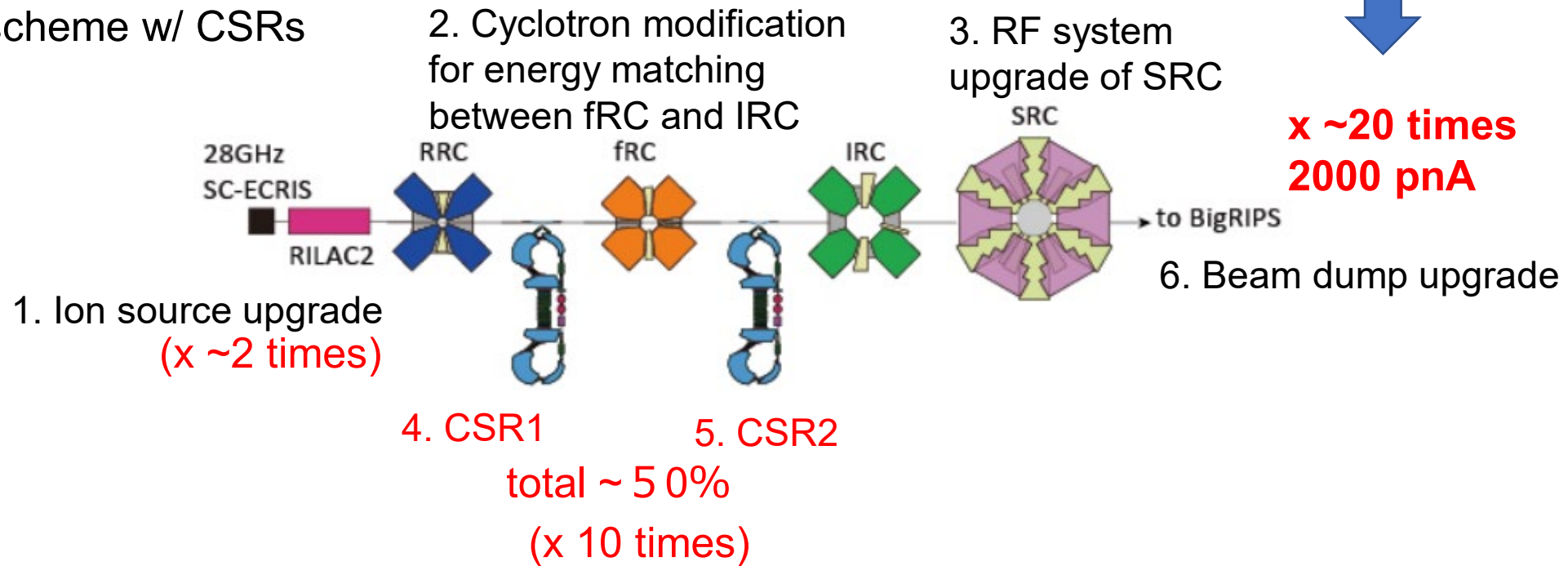
Low total charge stripping efficiency of about 5% (20% x 25%) for uranium is a bottleneck for further intensity upgrade



## Present scheme

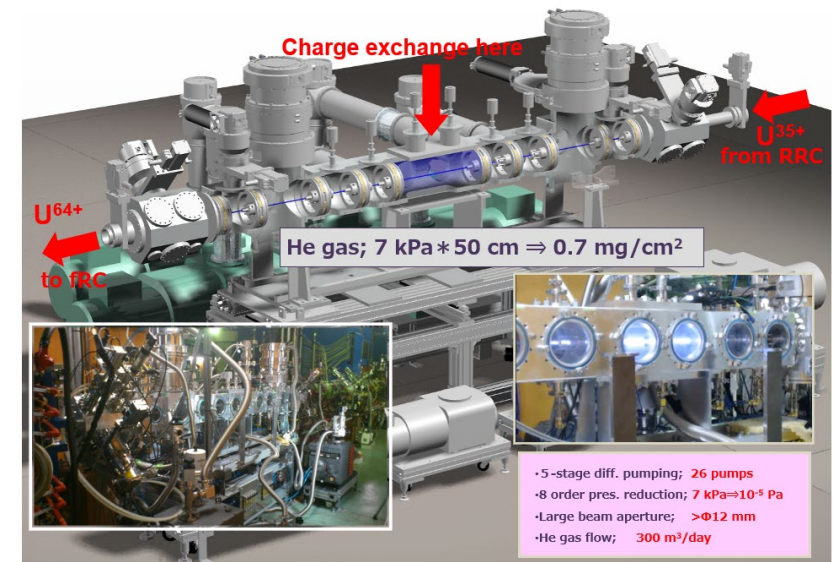
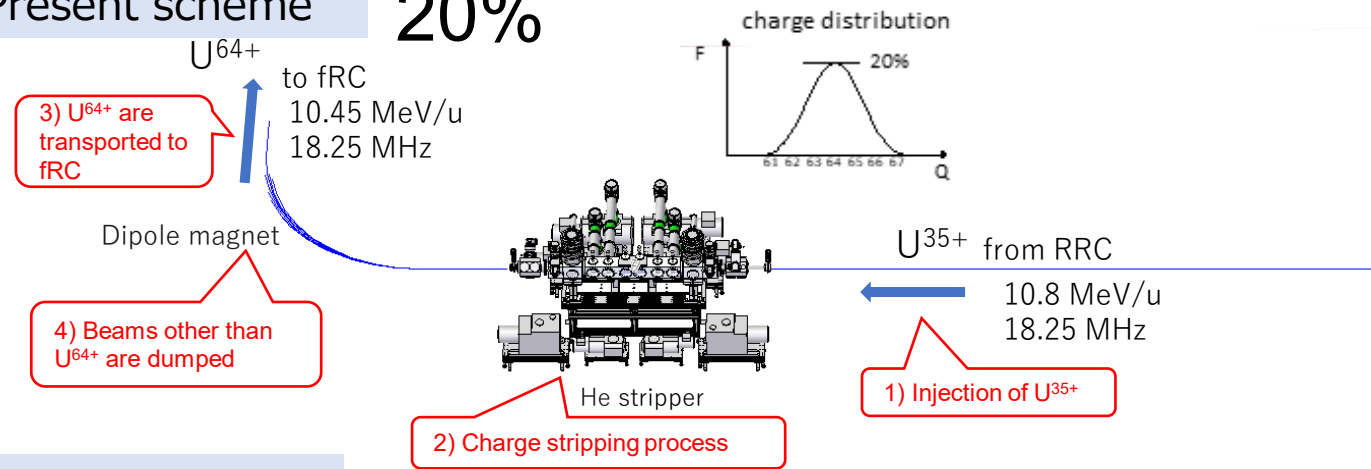


## New scheme w/ CSRs



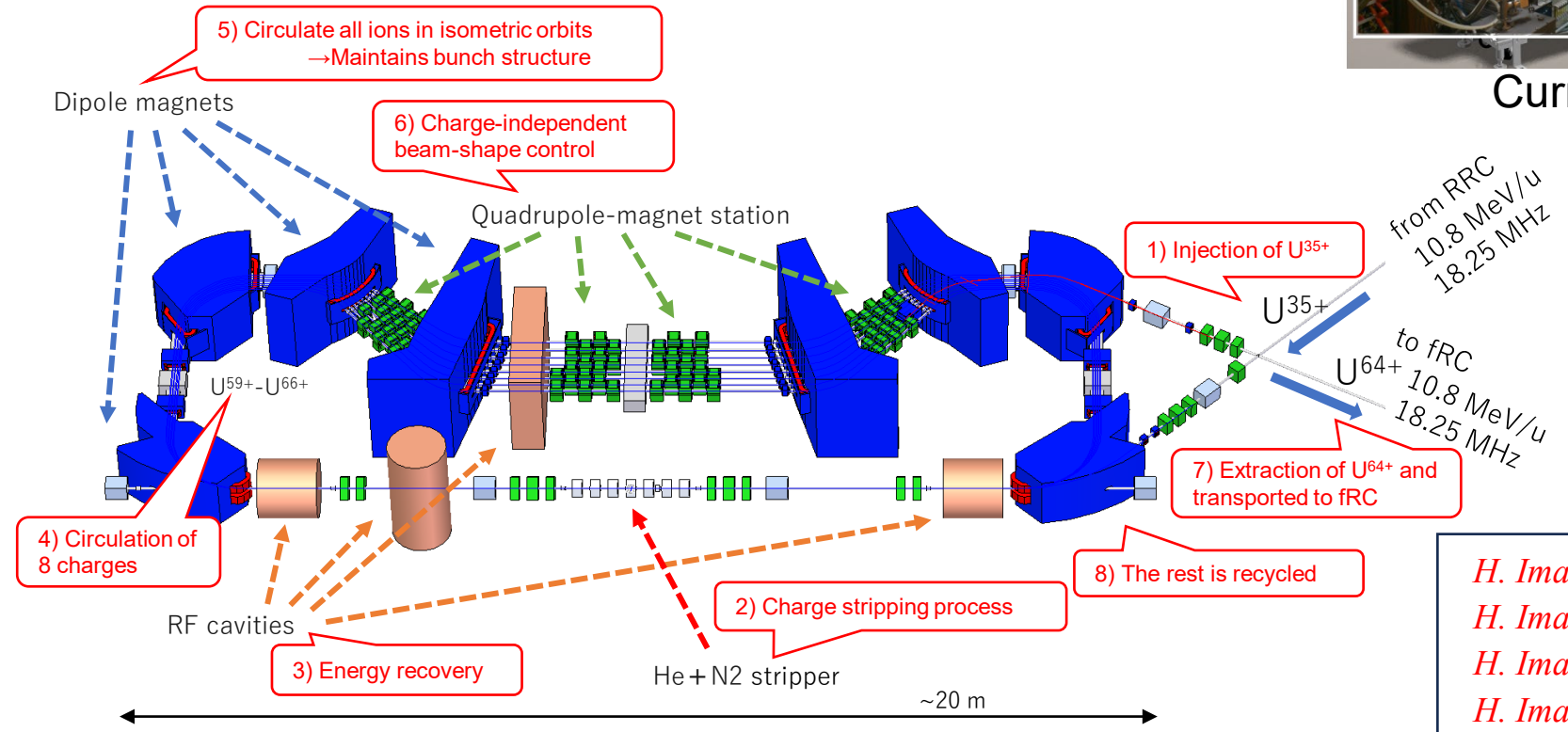
## Present scheme

20%



Current He gas stripper

## CSR1 scheme



Charge Strippers +  
recirculation Ring (59-66+)  
= Charge Stripper Ring 1  
(CSR1)

>70%

$$\frac{\epsilon_r \epsilon_q}{(1 - \epsilon_r + \epsilon_r \epsilon_q)}$$

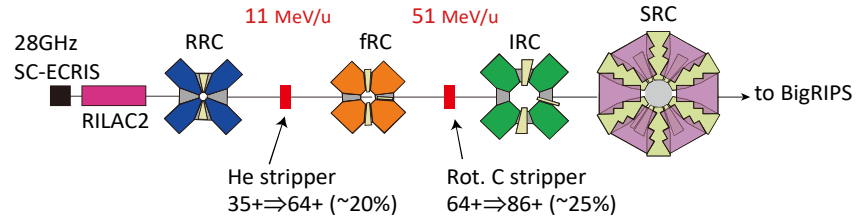
$\epsilon_r$ : survival prob. / turn  
 $\epsilon_q$ : efficiency for 64+

H. Imao et al., CYC2016, pp. 155-159.  
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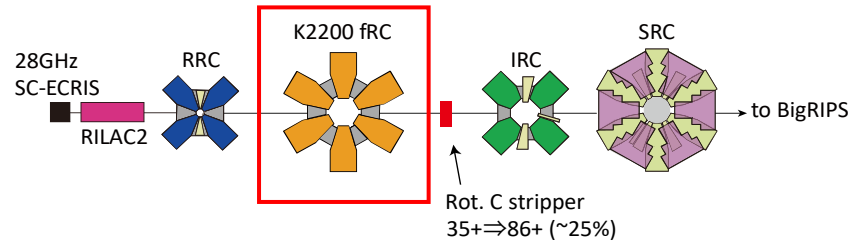


## Various acceleration scheme for $^{238}\text{U}$

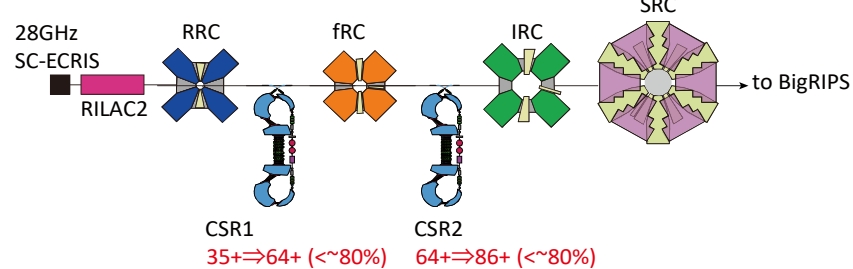
(a) present acceleration scheme of uranium ions



(b) acceleration scheme with K2200 fRC

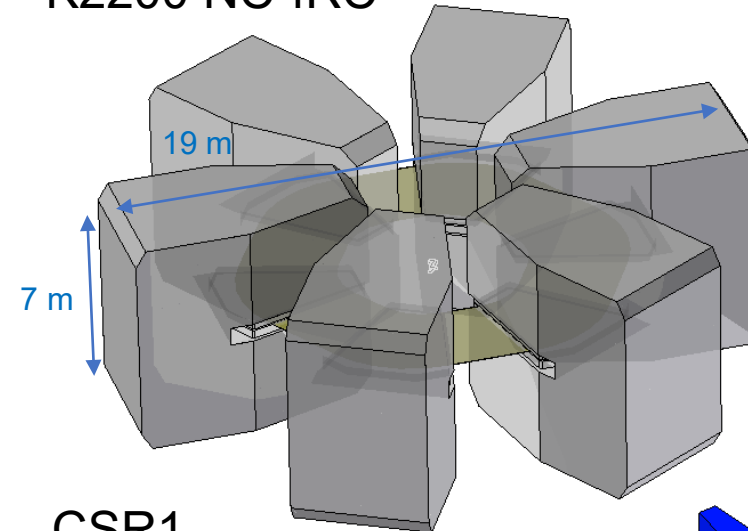


(c) acceleration scheme with CSR1 and CSR2



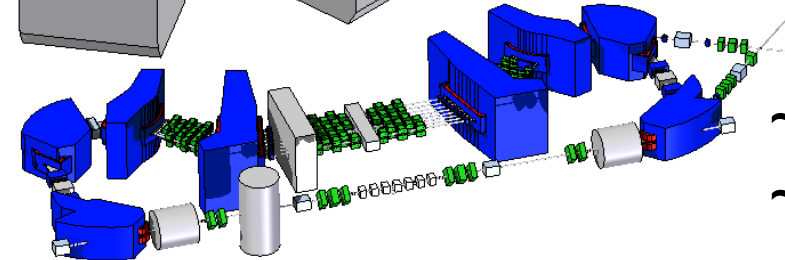
A usual way to increase efficiency is to remove the He stripper and renew the fRC to accelerate  $\text{U}^{35+}$  without strippers.

## K2200 NC-fRC



>~7000 t,  
>~4 MW

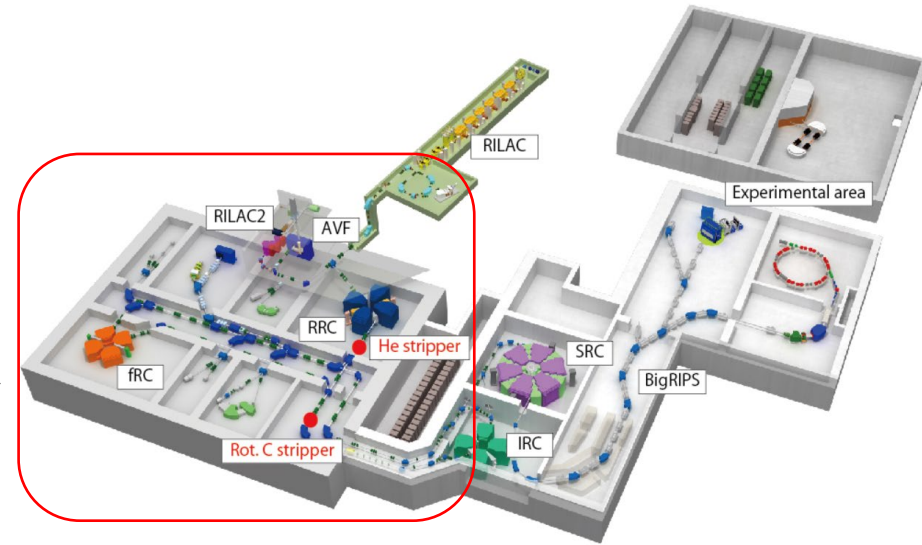
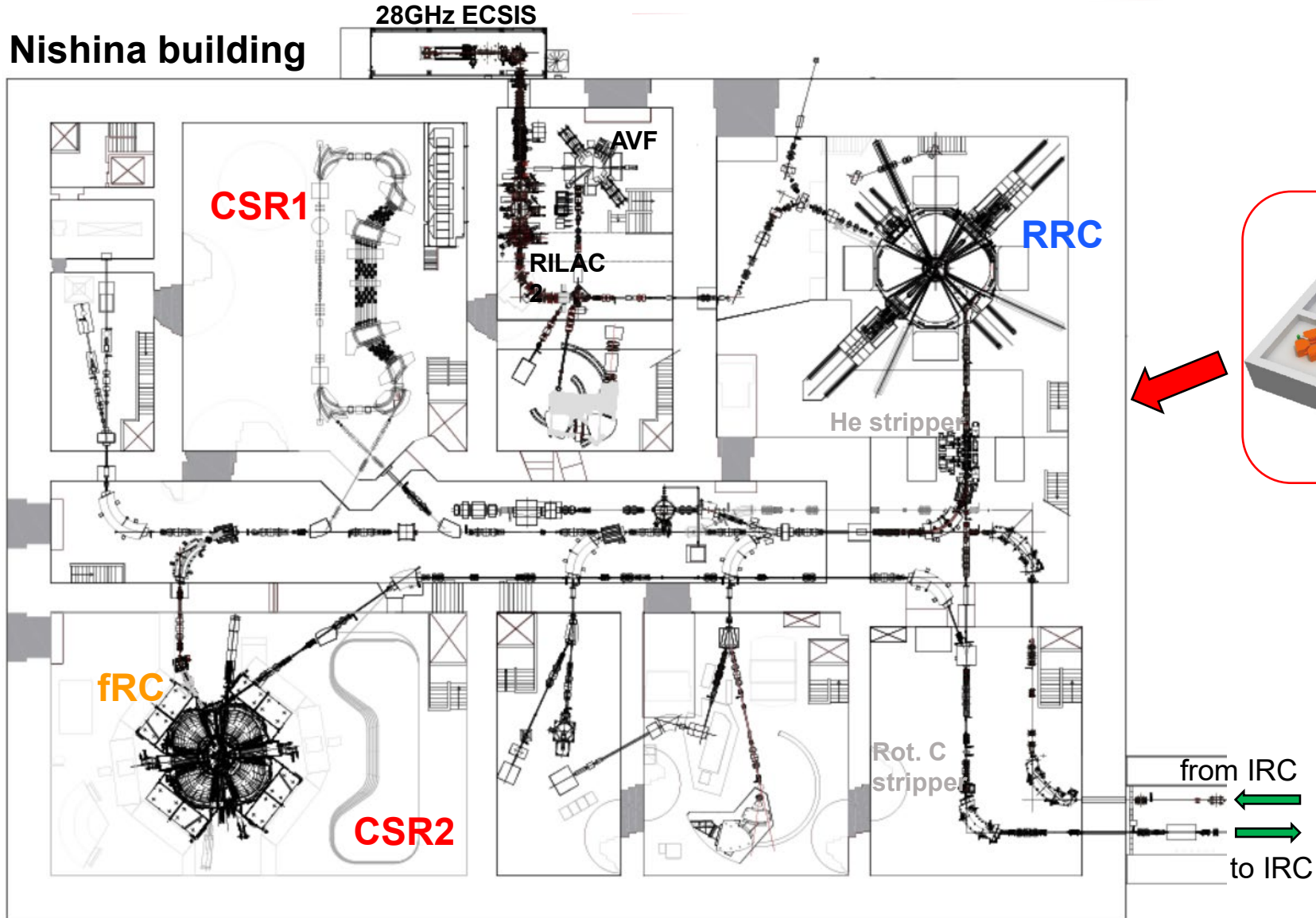
## CSR1



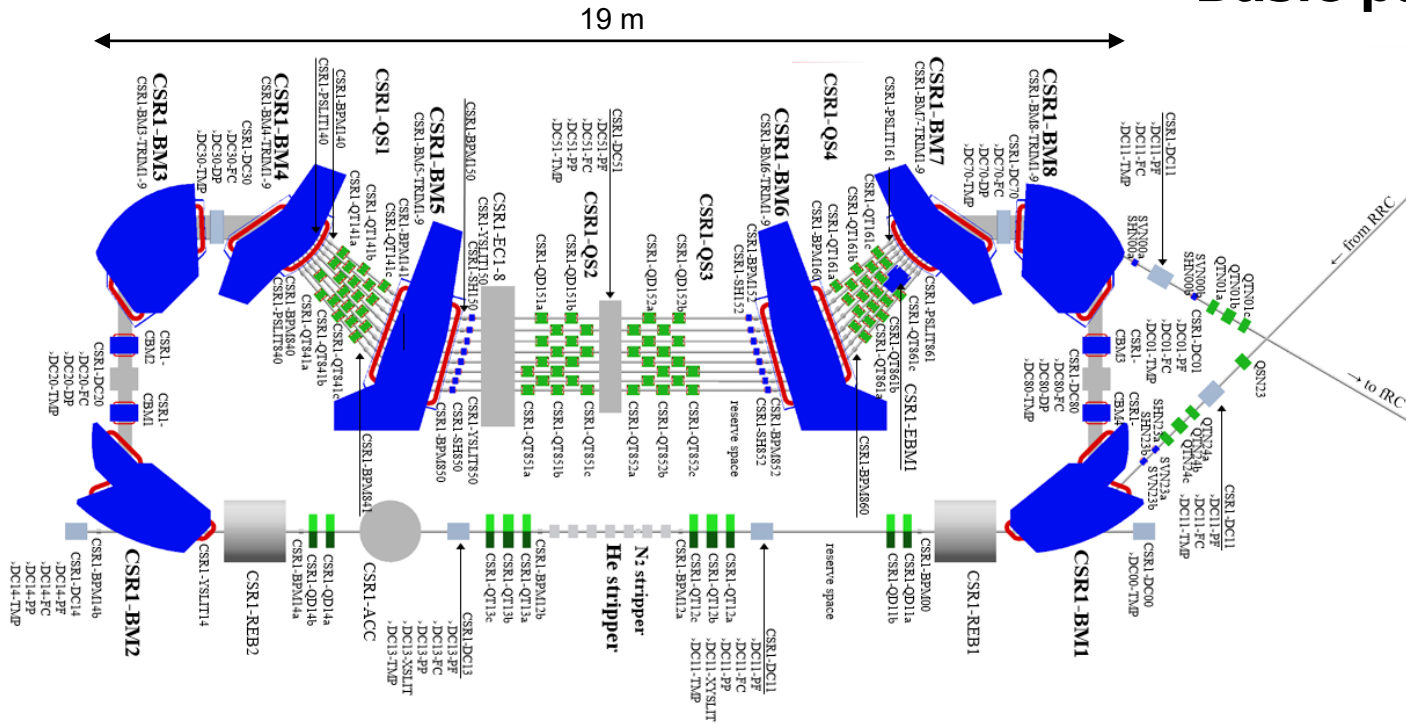
~300 t,  
~1.5 MW

- Compact (no building expansion), low construction cost, low running cost

## Nishina building



# Basic parameters and components of CSR1



## Main components

Bending magnet (BM1-8)	BM1-2 1.27 T, BM3-8 1.43 T
Acceleration cavity (ACC1)	73 MHz 0.8 MV
Rebuncher (REB1-2)	109.5 MHz 1.3 MV
Energy correction (EC1)	73 MHz 200 kV
Q-mag station (QS1-4)	QS 73 units + EDM1
He stripper (He)	0.3 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>
N2 stripper (N2)	0.1 mg/cm <sup>2</sup>

## CSR1 basic parameter

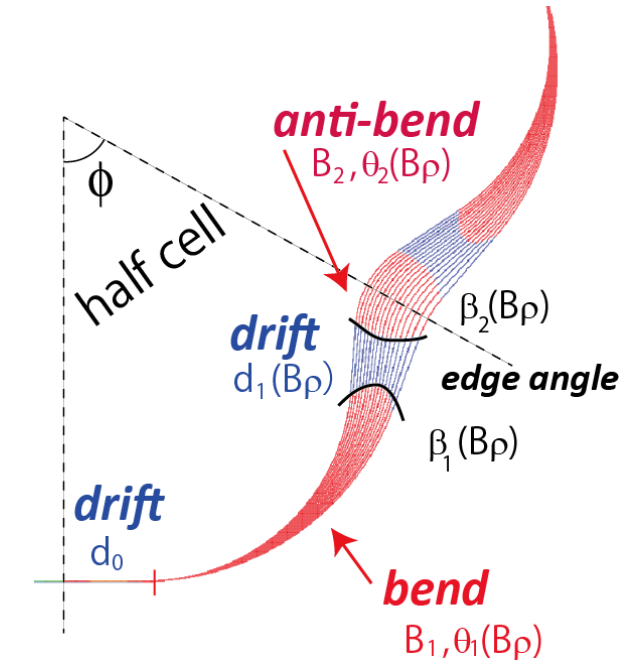
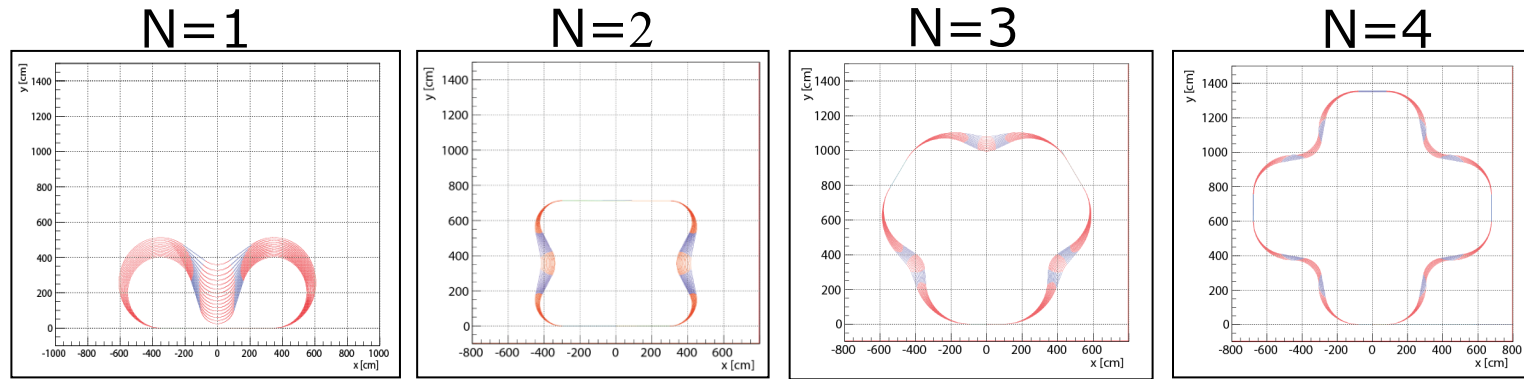
circumference [m]	44.639
circulation energy [MeV/u]	10.80
velocity $\beta$	0.151
number of bunches	18
revolution time [ns]	986.30
revolution charge state	59+ -66+
injection charge state	35+
extraction charge state	64+

## Key features of CSR

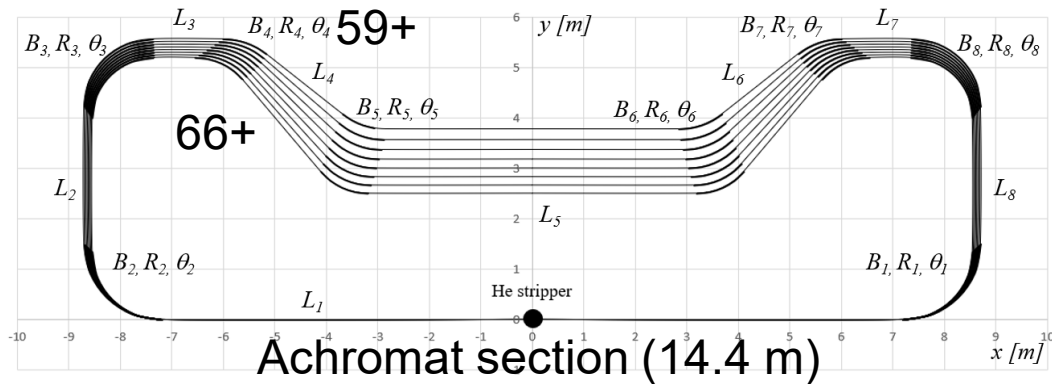
- Isometric orbits
- Principle of  $\beta$  function matching
- Quadrupole-magnet stations
- Two-stage stripper scheme
- Role of effective beam slit

# Isometric orbits to hold bunch structure

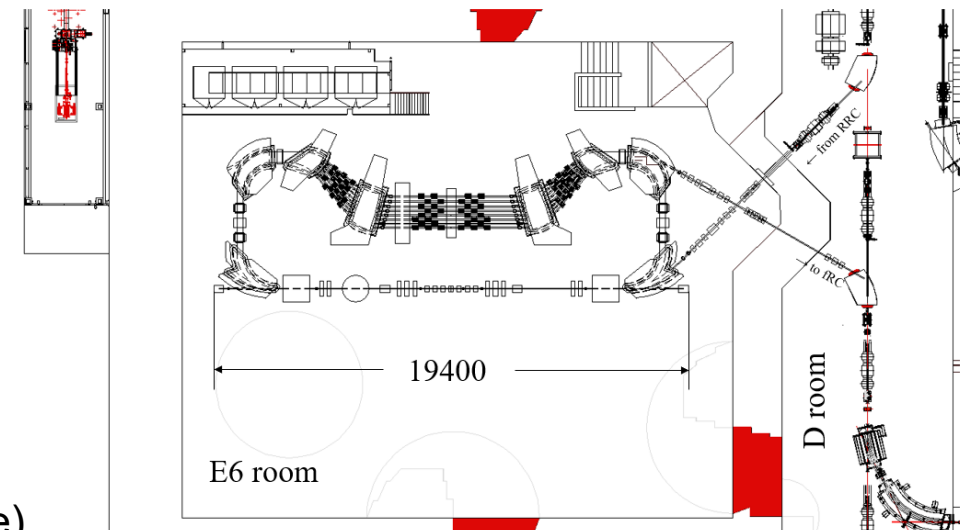
## Isometric rings of various symmetries



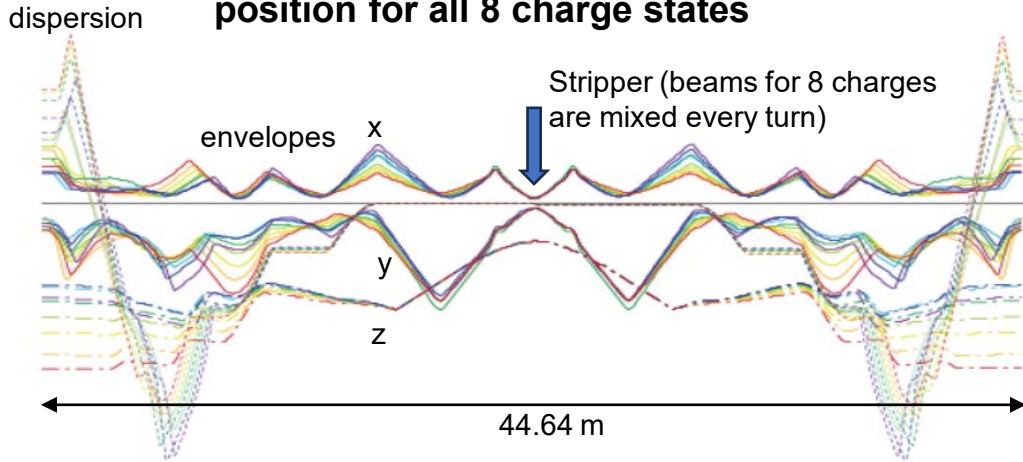
## Isometric orbits of CSR1 for U<sup>59+</sup>-U<sup>66+</sup>



- Sufficient dispersion for **Q-mag. station** (~10 cm)
- Sufficient drift distance to place necessary equipment
- The system should be fitted in E6 room (construction site)



## Matchings of beam shapes at the stripper position for all 8 charge states



- Beta function matching
- Dispersion matching ( $\eta=\eta'=0$ )

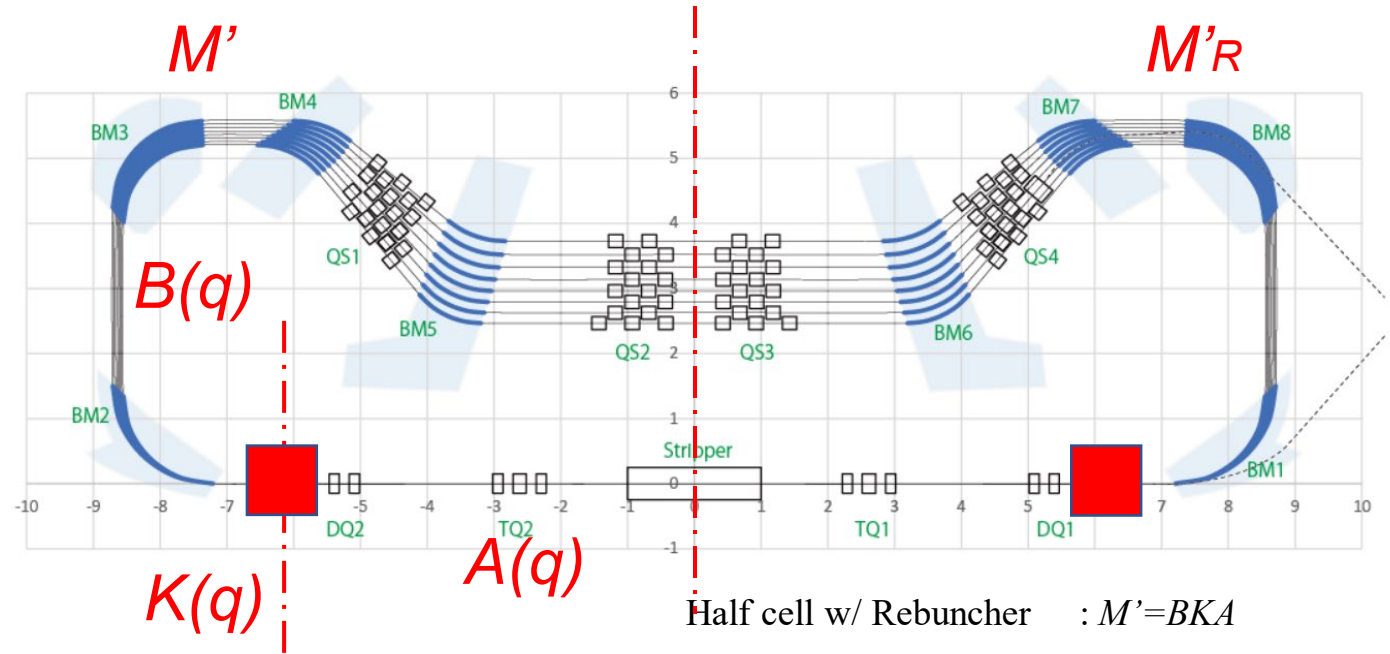
## Mirror-symmetric focusing lattice

6x6 linear transfer matrix for one period R'

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2M_{11}M_{22} - 1 & 2M_{12}M_{22} & 0 & 0 & \frac{2(a+b-2)}{M_{56}} M_{12}M_{26} & 2aM_{12}M_{26} \\ 2M_{21}M_{22} & 2M_{11}M_{22} - 1 & 0 & 0 & \frac{2(a+b-2)}{M_{56}} M_{11}M_{26} & 2aM_{11}M_{26} \\ 0 & 0 & 2M_{33}M_{44} - 1 & 2M_{34}M_{44} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2M_{43}M_{33} & 2M_{33}M_{44} - 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2aM_{11}M_{26} & -2aM_{12}M_{26} & 0 & 0 & 2ab - 1 & 2 \left\{ \frac{a(ab-1)}{a+b-2} M_{56} - a^2 M_{16}M_{26} \right\} \\ \frac{-2(a+b-2)}{M_{56}} M_{11}M_{26} & \frac{-2(a+b-2)}{M_{56}} M_{12}M_{26} & 0 & 0 & \frac{2b(a+b-2)}{M_{56}} & 2ab - 1 - \frac{2a(a+b-2)}{M_{56}} M_{16}M_{26} \end{pmatrix}$$

Here,  $a=(KA)_{66}=1-kA_{56}$  (magnification of dispersion)  $b=1-kB_{56}$

*looks a little complicated...*



Half cell w/ Rebuncher :  $M'=BKA$

Full cell w/ Rebunchers :  $R'=MR'M'$

Impose the condition  $M_{26}=0$  (angular dispersion of half cell),

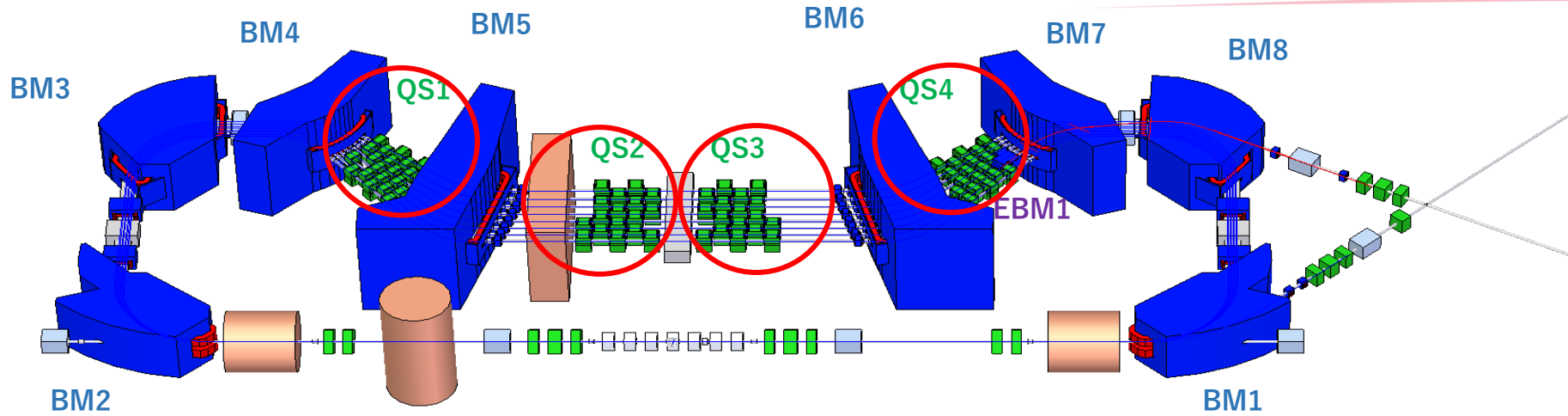
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- Betatron oscillation has no coupling in 3 directions
- Achromatic system ( $R'_{16}=R'_{26}=0$ )
- Orbit length is independent of angle and position ( $R'_{51}=R'_{52}=0$ , symplectic condition)
- Beam ellipse at stripper is upright (fine transmission of stripper)

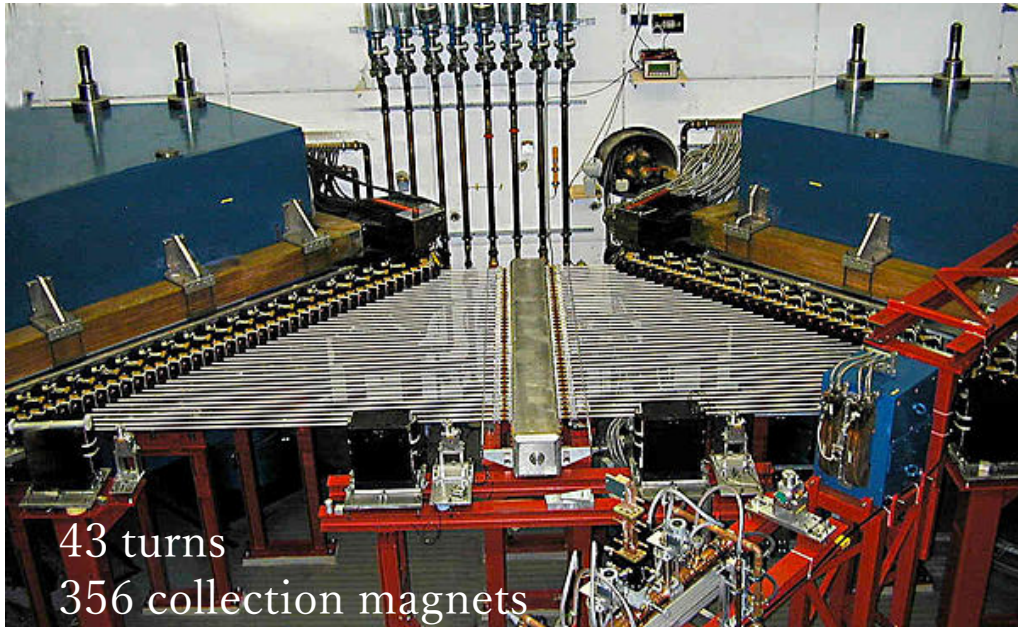
$M_{26}=0$  and beta function matching ( $\beta_x, \beta_y, \beta_z$ ) should be required.

→ **Require at least 4 charge independent focusing elements** for each charge

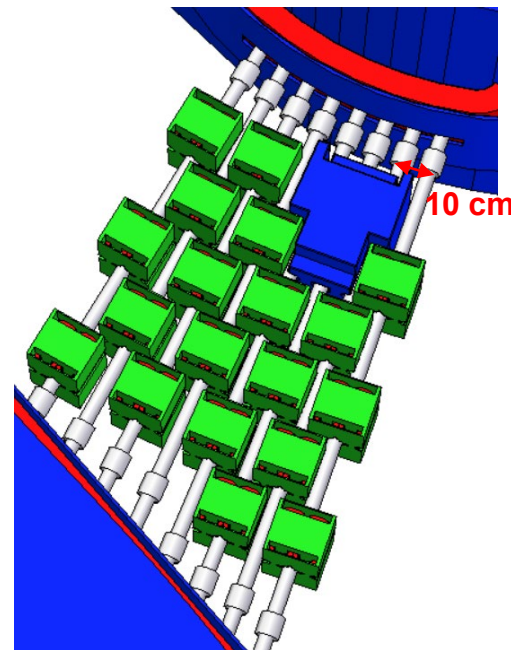
# Q-magnet station (QS1-4) for charge independent focusing



## MAMI C (Microtron HDSM at Mainz univ.)



## Close-up view of QS4



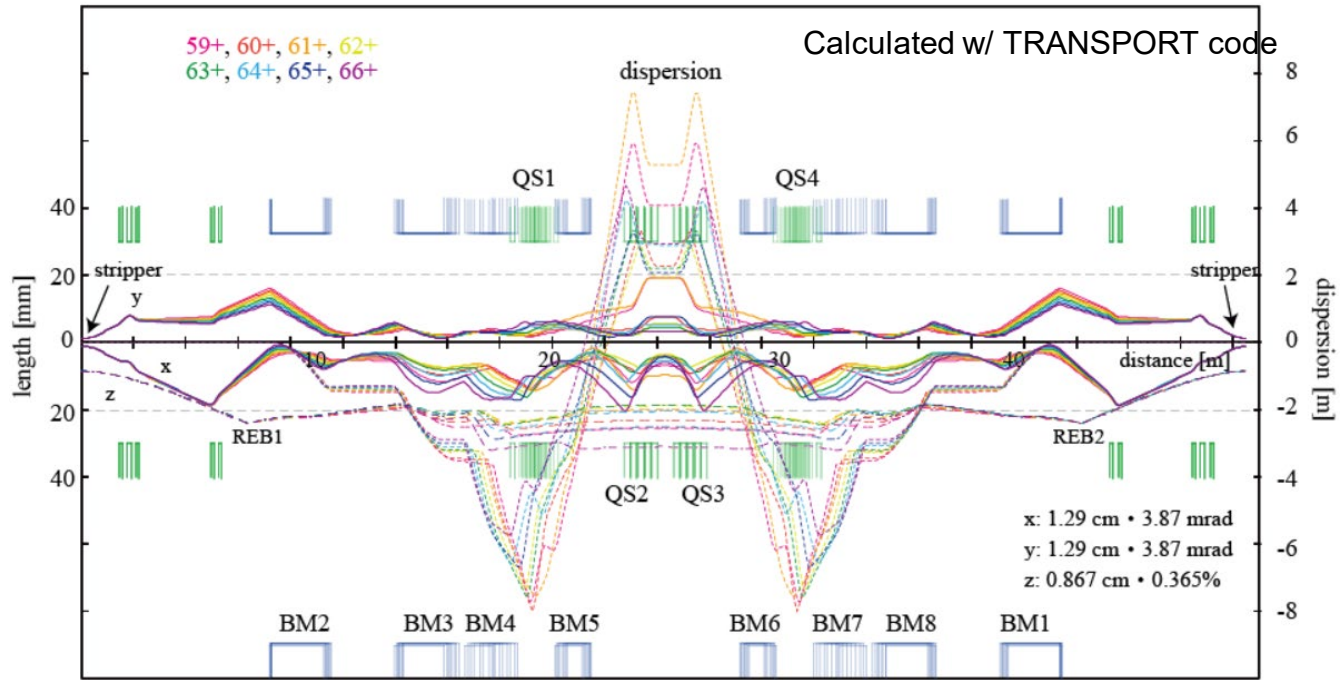
Crowded quadrupoles in parallel beamlines within a limited space, which is unprecedented.

The situation may be similar to the microtron.

Design works will be discussed later.

# Orbits satisfying matching conditions

Beam envelopes, bunch lengths and dispersion functions for 8 charge states



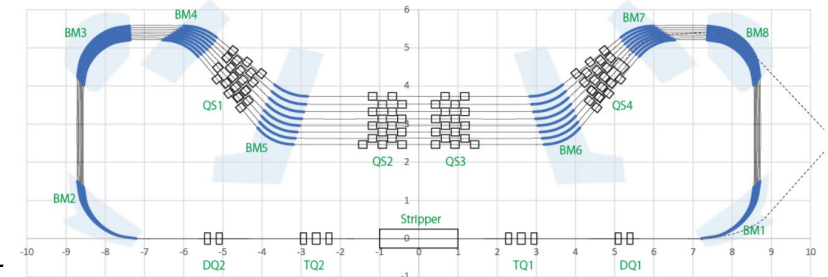
Optimized with 37 + 5 quadrupoles

- $\beta_x, \beta_y, \beta_z$  matchings
- $M_{26}=0$
- Q magnets can be placed
- Magnetic field gradient  $< \sim 20$  T/m
- Beam envelopes  $< \sim 20$  mm
- Momentum dispersion  $< \sim 8$  m

Calculated integrated magnetic field gradient for quadrupole magnets in QS1-2

q	Name	Integrated gradient [T]	q	Name	Integrated gradient [T]	q	Name	Integrated gradient [T]	q	Name	Integrated gradient [T]
59+	QT141a	1.8272	61+	QT341a	0.2516	63+	QD541a	1.6847	65+	QD741a	1.5762
	QT141b	-1.4516		QT341b	0.6901		QD541b	-1.1859		QD741b	-1.2722
	QT141c	1.3049		QT341c	0.6728		QD551a	2.8736		QD751a	2.6816
	QD151a	2.8128		QD351a	2.4064		QD551b	-1.8808		QD751b	-2.0000
	QD151b	-1.8128		QD351b	-1.5848						
60+	QD241a	2.1035	62+	QD441a	1.9468	64+	QT641a	1.2235	66+	QT841a	1.2962
	QD241b	-1.5355		QD441b	-1.6114		QT641b	-2.0171		QT841b	-1.9117
	QD251a	2.9288		QD451a	2.9120		QT641c	1.6175		QT841c	1.3721
	QD251b	-1.7864		QD451b	-1.9280		QD651a	2.6784		QT851a	2.3880
							QD651b	-1.6720		QT851b	-1.6192
								QT851c	-0.1696		

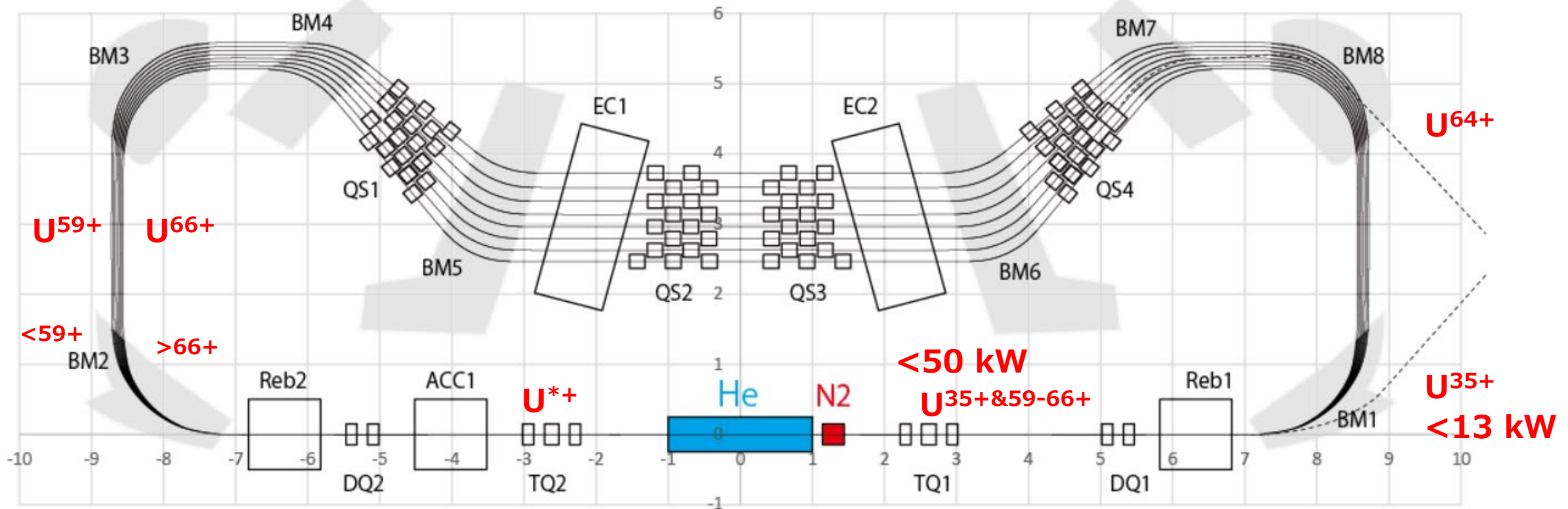
All within feasible limits (  $< 18$  [T/m] )



The fact that ideal orbits was found within so many constraints is an important milestone.



## 2-stage stripper scheme



The charge conversion cycle, using a two-stage stripper, is unique and important.

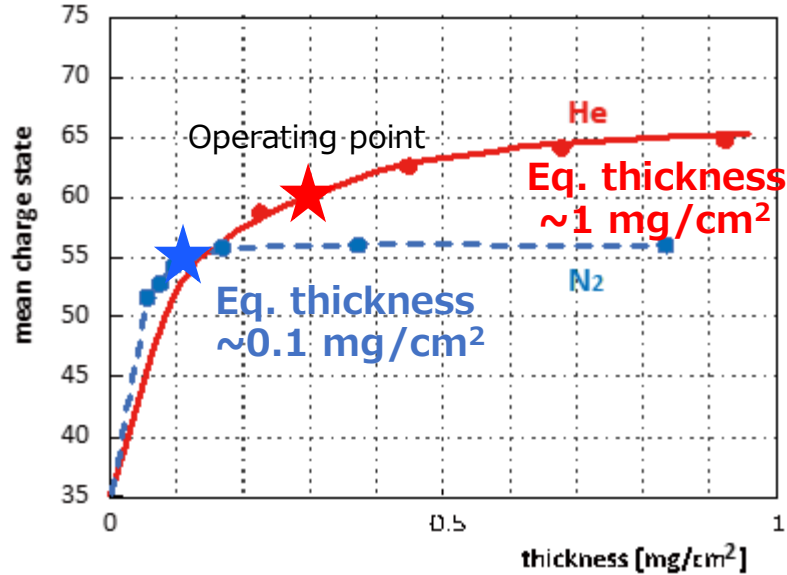
A two-stage stripper with N<sub>2</sub> and He arranged in series will be used.

Gas stripper is required for high-power beams.

He gas is required to obtain high charge state (e.g., the current first He stripper)

# Charge conversion cycle

Mean charge evolution as a function of thickness



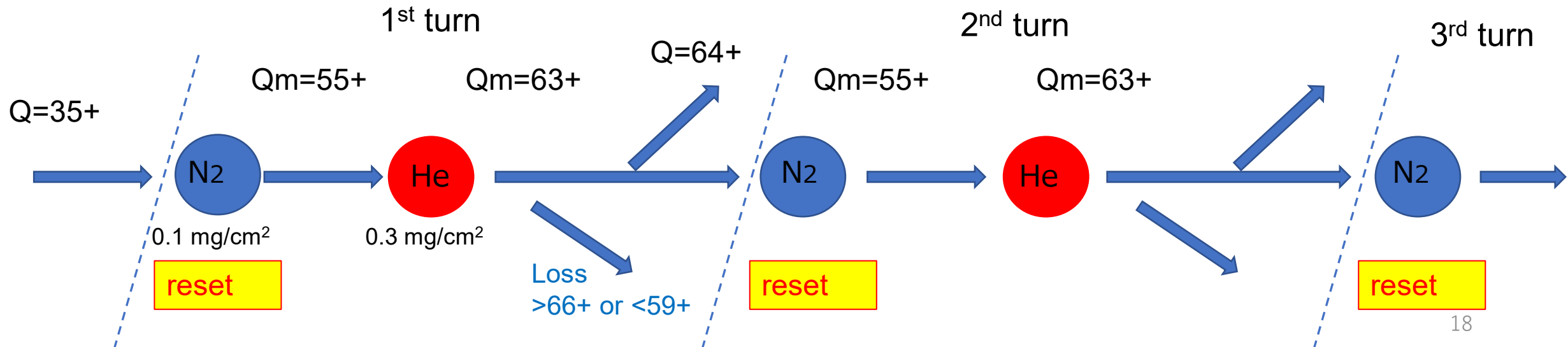
Thin stripper to reduce emittance growth

The charge state is reset with N2 stripper every circulation, e.g.,  $Q_m=55+$

Average charge states during circulation are fixed, e.g.,  $Q_m=63+$

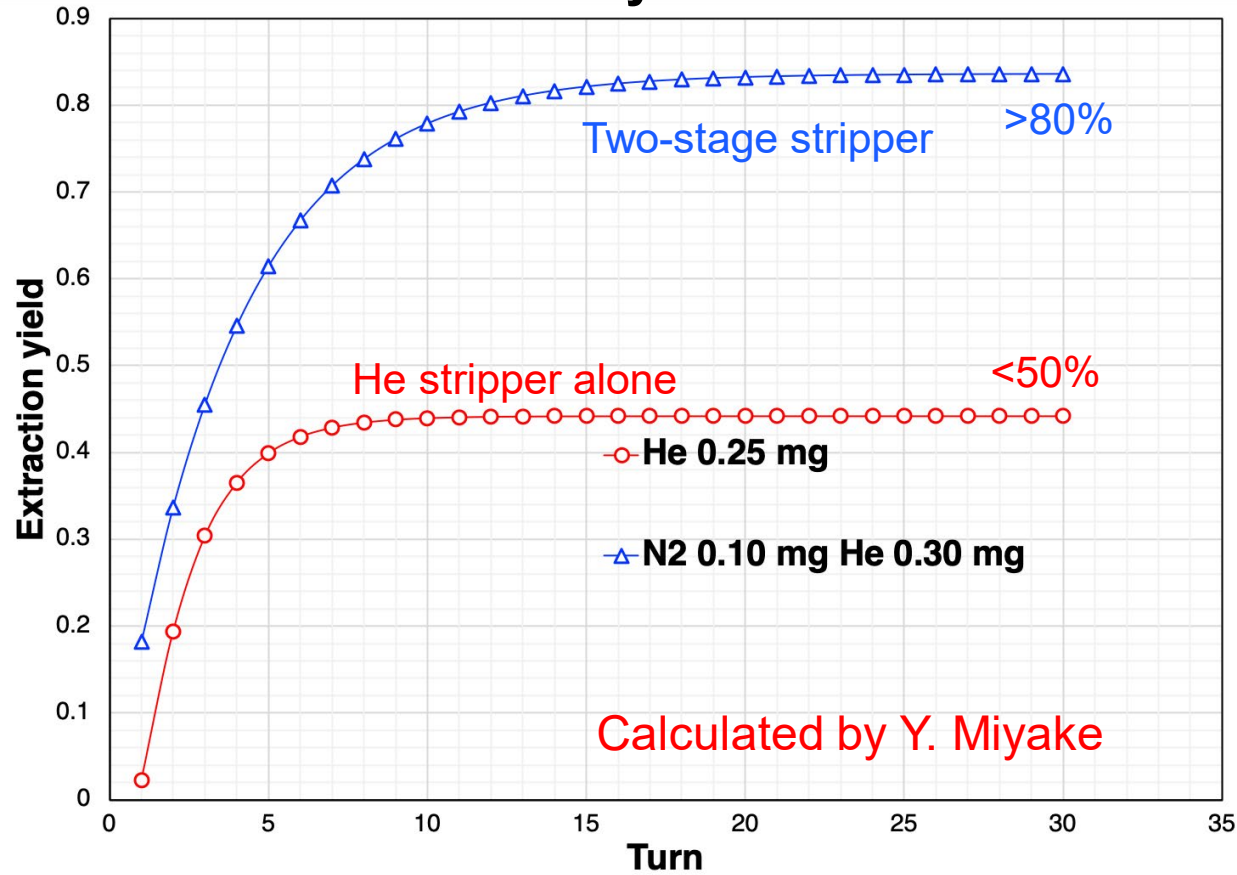
Beam loss due to going outside the 8-charge window

## Charge conversion cycle

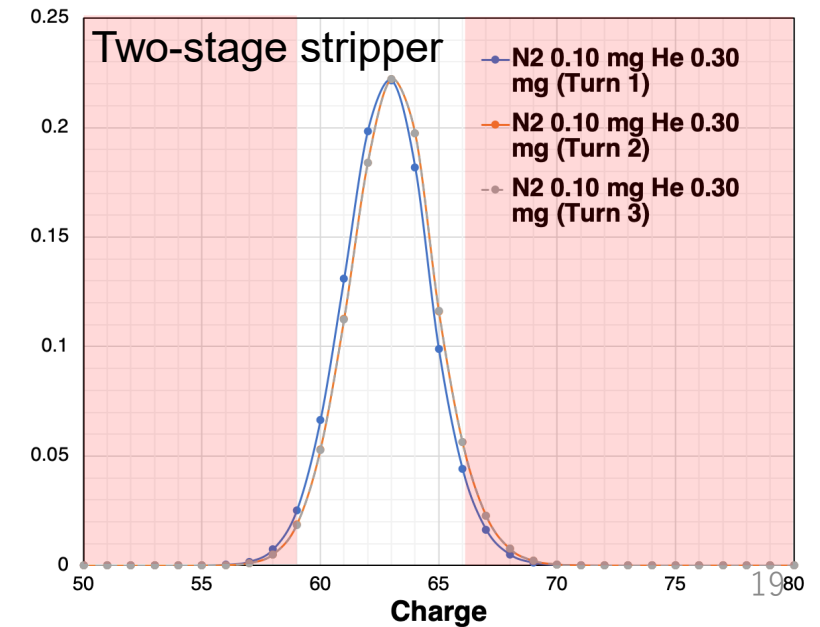
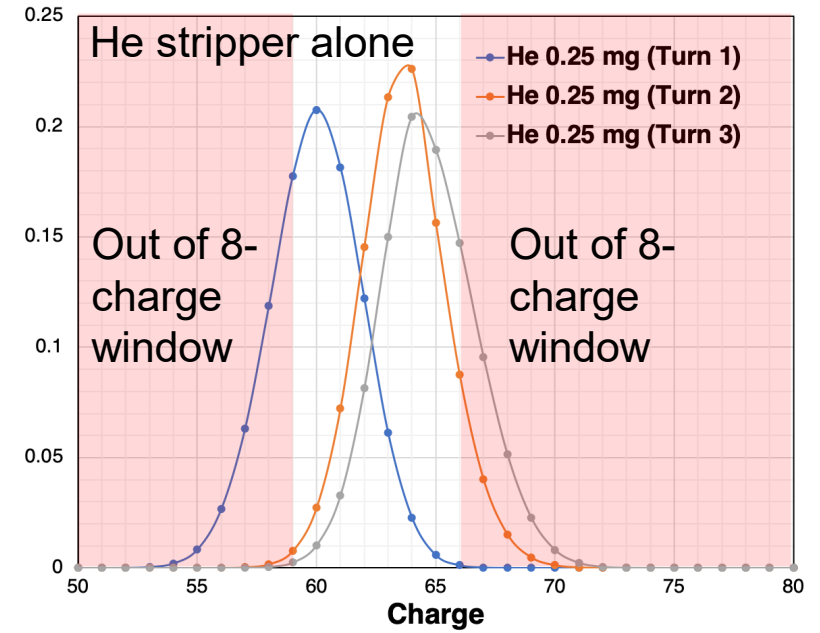


# Calculation results of stripping cycle

## Extraction efficiency of $U^{64+}$ from CSR1



The use of a two-stage stripper is one of the key ideas for an efficient CSR.

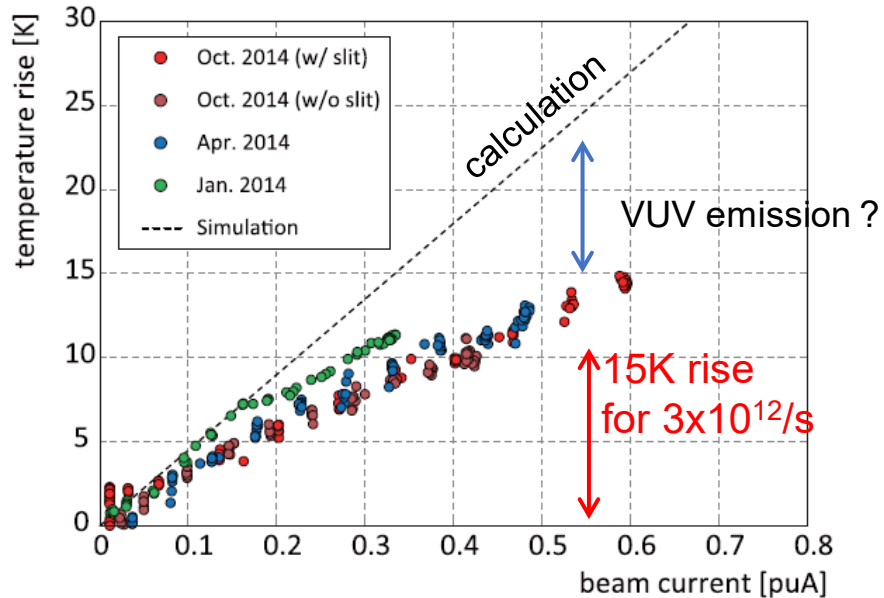
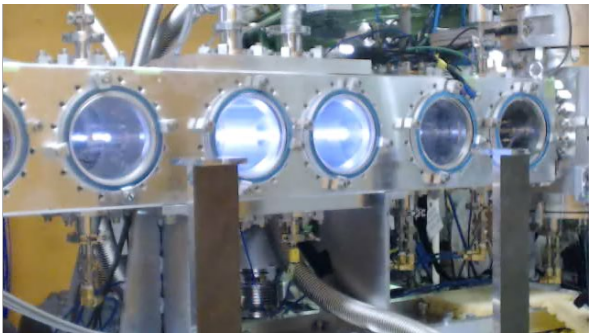
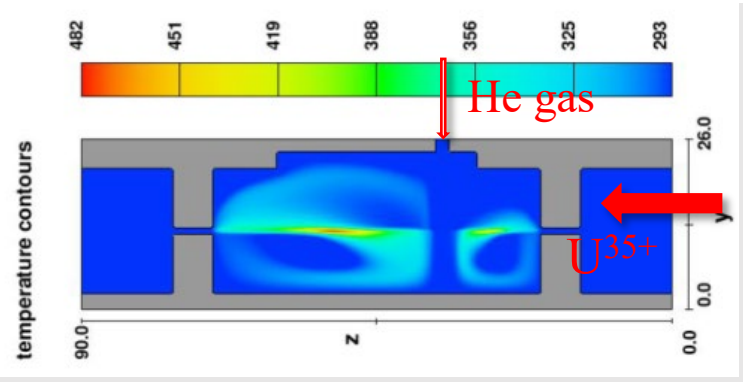


## Comparison of the specifications

		Stripper for CSR1	Present He stripper
Total length of system	[m]	2.7	2.7
<b>Thickness of He stripper</b>	<b>[mg/cm<sup>2</sup>]</b>	<b>0.3</b>	0.6
Thickness of N <sub>2</sub> stripper	[mg/cm <sup>2</sup> ]	0.1	0.001
Target length of He	[cm]	30	50
<b>Minimum orifice diameter</b>	<b>[mm]</b>	<b>20</b>	12
Number of differential pumping stages	#	5	5
<b>Maximum heat load</b>	<b>[W]</b>	<b>800</b>	200
<b>Gas circulation flow rate</b>	<b>[SLM]</b>	<b>1060</b>	380

Three techniques of the He stripper

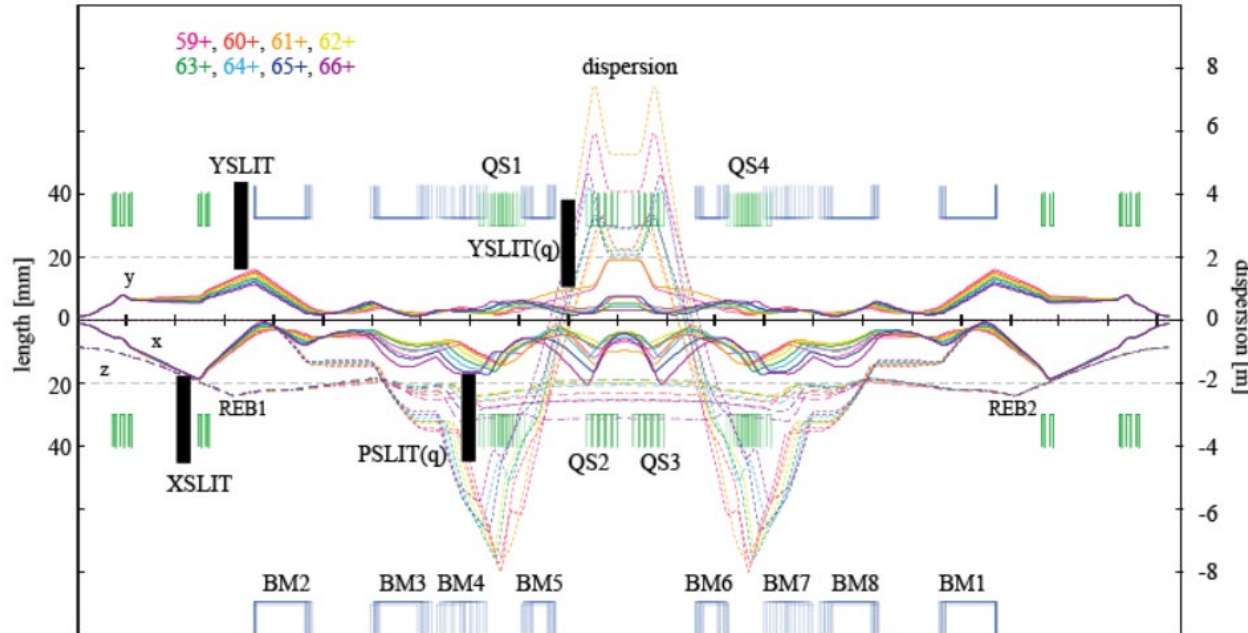
- 1) He recirculation with MBP array
- 2) Gas diffusers
- 3) N<sub>2</sub> gas-jet curtain



Powerful beams make a hole even in the gas ( $\rho = PM/RT \propto 1/T$ )  
 Even at the present beam intensities, the heat load causes the target thinning by about 10%

Derived from the TOF of U beams after stripper as a function of beam current 20

## Planned beam slits insertion position



## Beam slits currently used for the He stripper

Water-cooled baffle type current detector  
500 W max. for each side



Water-cooled electric slit  
1 kW max. for each side



Emittance growth by the stripper is unavoidable in CSR1.

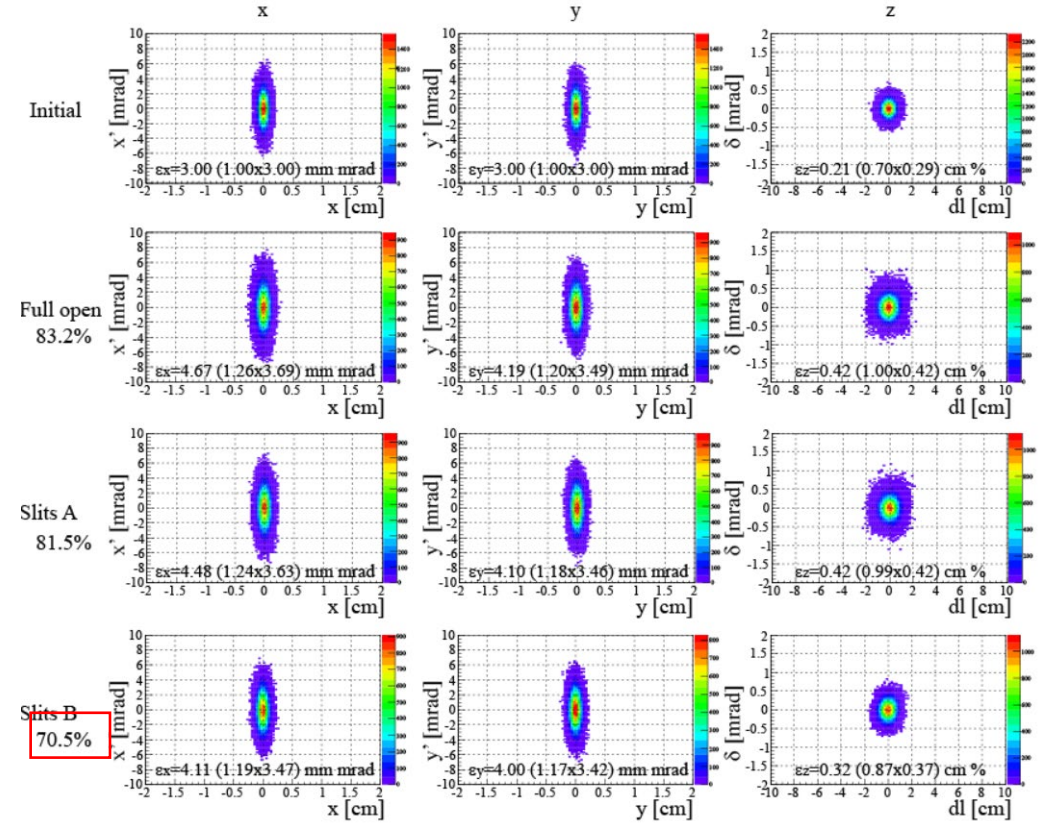
The losses at the physical aperture are controlled and localized by using appropriate slits.

CSR1 can serve as an “**effective slitting system**” to make high-quality beams.

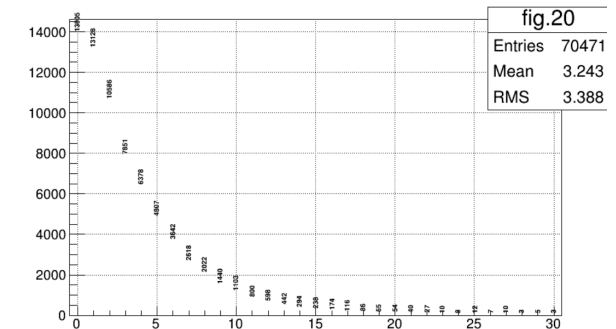
# Sources of emittance growth

		expected errors (half width)
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x	total	0.40
COD	[mm]	0.20
high-order effects	[mm]	0.20
dispersion mismatching	[mm]	0.20
eigenellipse mismatching	[mm]	0.20
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x'	total	0.87
angular straggling at stripper	[mrad]	0.80
high-order effects	[mrad]	0.20
angular dispersion mismatching	[mrad]	0.20
Eigenellipse mismatching	[mrad]	0.20
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y	total	0.35
COD	[mm]	0.20
high-order effects	[mm]	0.20
eigenellipse mismatching	[mm]	0.20
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y'	total	0.85
angular straggling at stripper	[mrad]	0.80
high-order effects	[mrad]	0.20
Eigenellipse mismatching	[mrad]	0.20
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$\theta$	total	0.07
path length error	[ns]	0.05
Eigenellipse mismatching	[ns]	0.03
power supply fluctuation	[ns]	0.03
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$\delta$	total	0.11
energy straggling at stripper	[%]	0.10
ununiformity of stripper	[%]	0.03
Eigenellipse mismatching	[%]	0.03

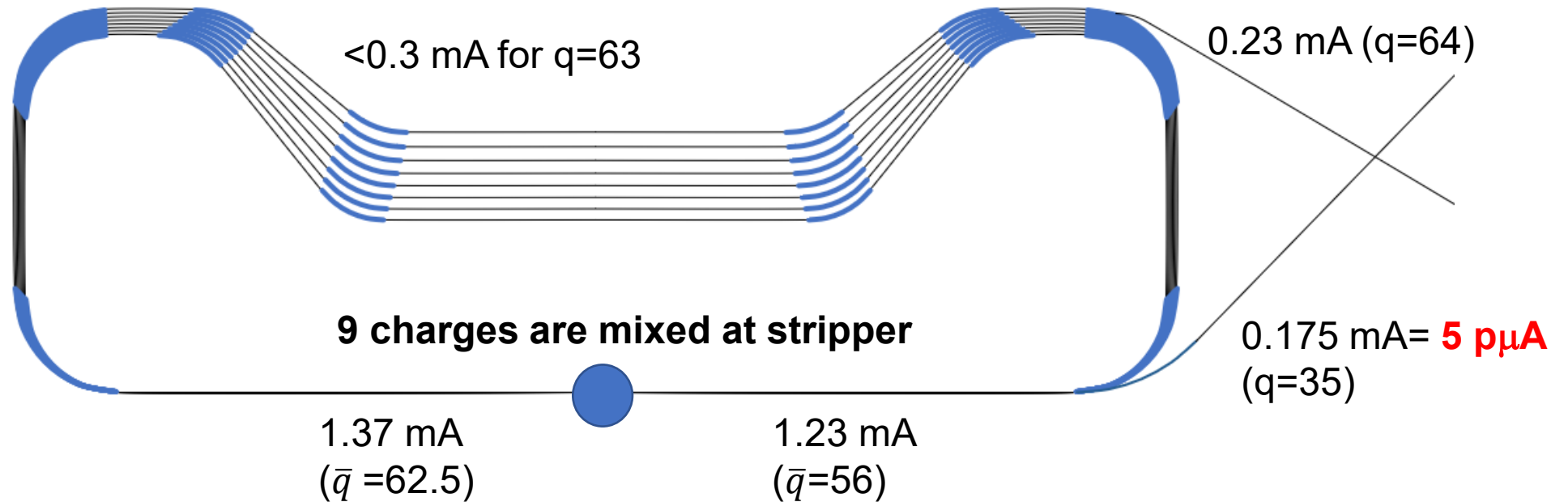
# Beam emittance and efficiency



The beam emittance in the x, y, and z directions for the initial injection and the 64+ beam emittance for the three cases, Full open, Slit A and Slit B conditions



The average number of turns is about 3 to 4

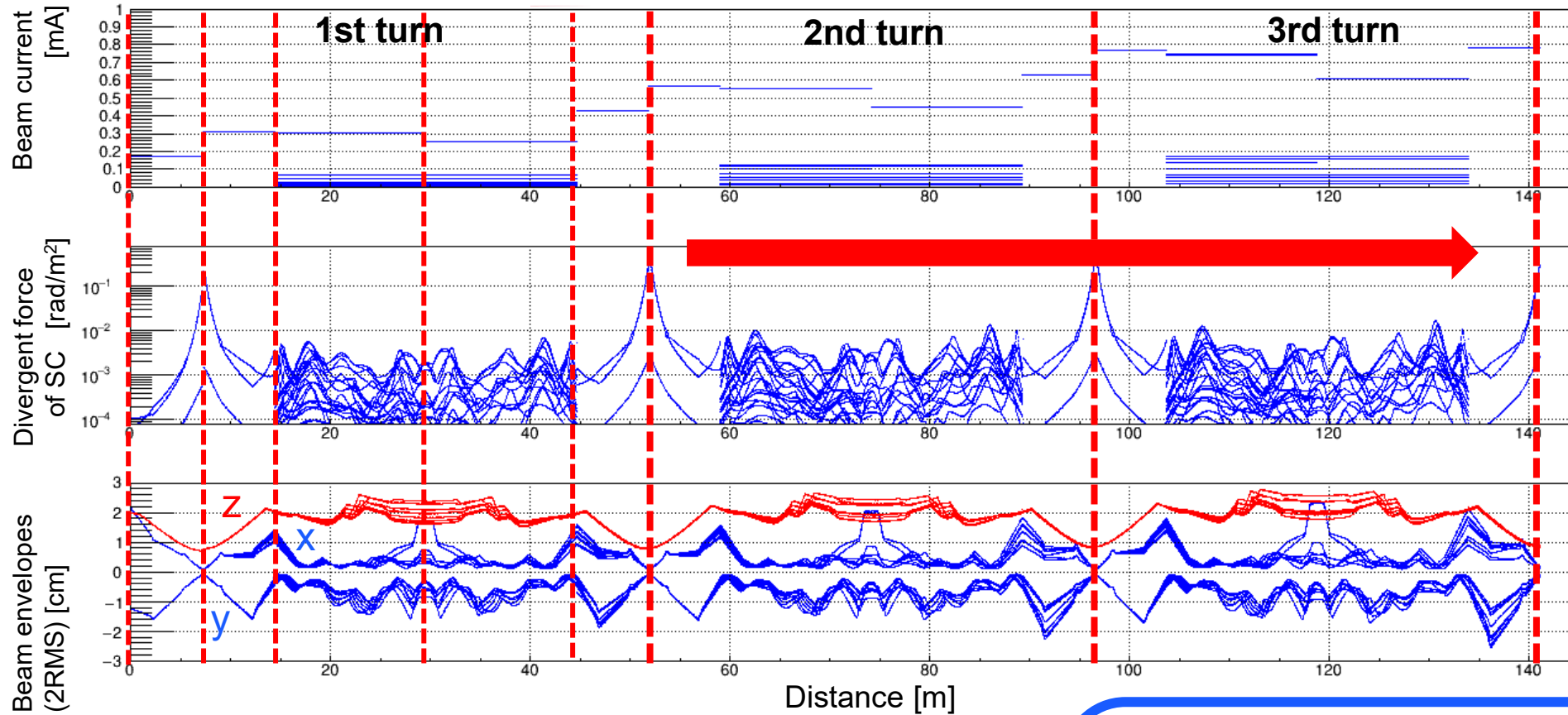


- Beam circulation with varying charge and intensity
- **Complex causality** due to beam mixing at the stripper

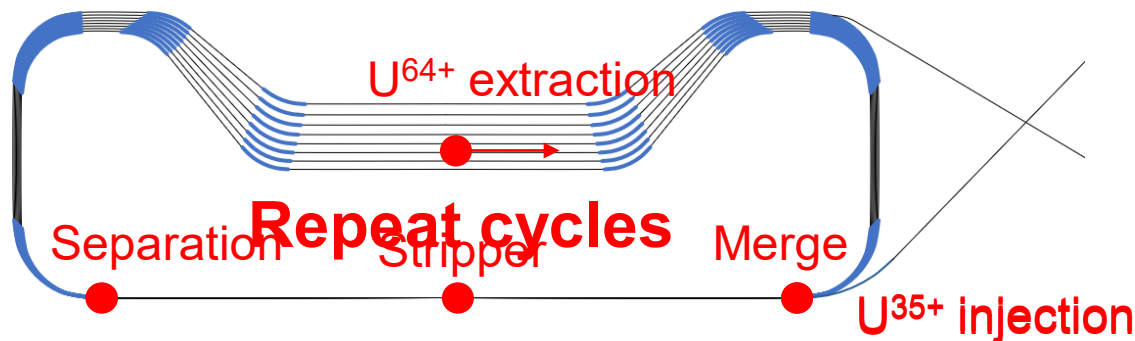
## → Envelope simulation with linear divergent force of SC

- Causality in the space-charge corrections
- Optimum focusing parameters at various beam intensities
- Strategy to realize optimum parameters

# Envelope simulation



Sequentially  
calculated



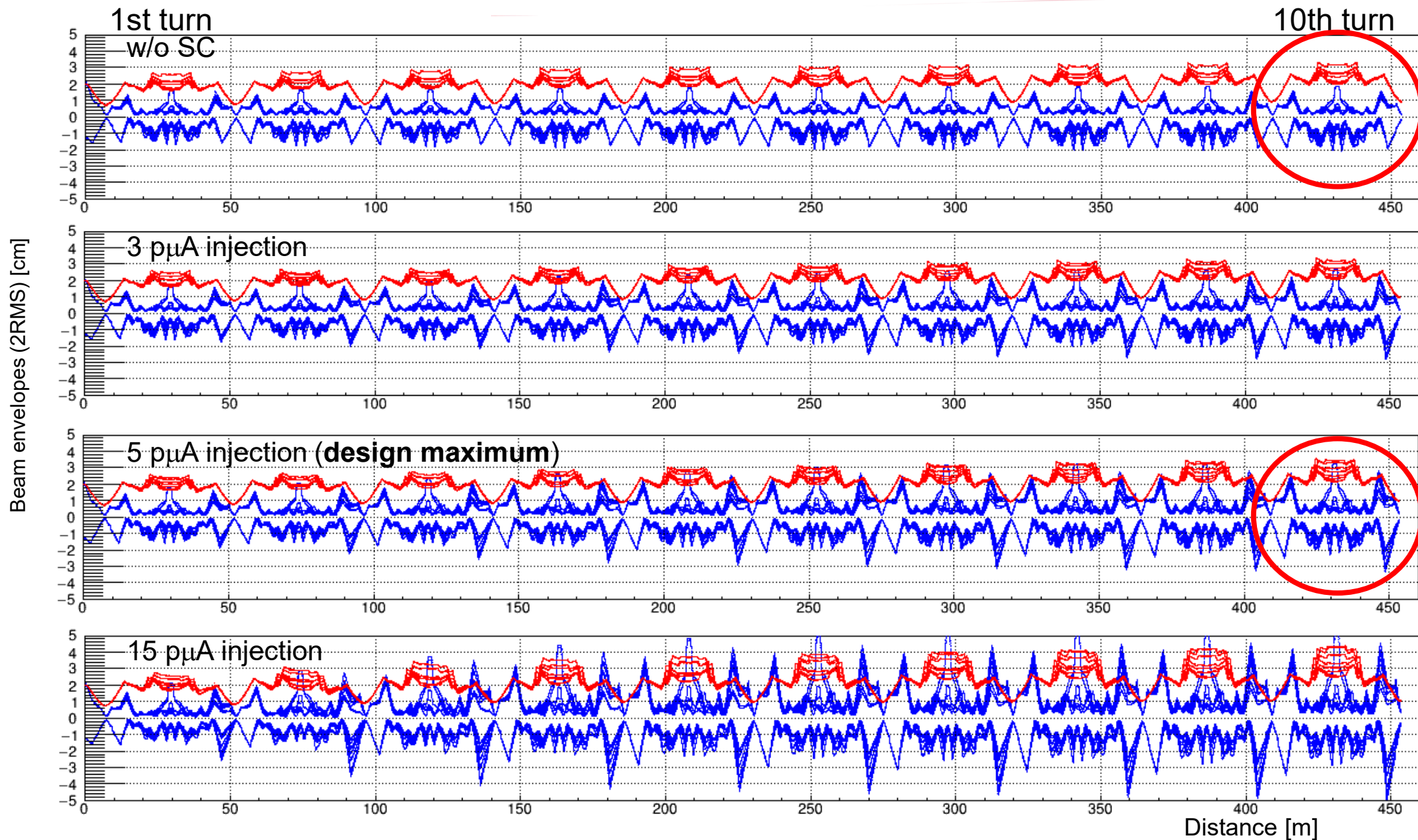
Linear divergent force (approximation that the mixed beam has elliptical symmetry)

$$\begin{cases} k_{sc,x}(q) = \frac{qN_t}{4\pi\epsilon_0\gamma^3\beta^2mc^2} \frac{\bar{q}}{\left(\frac{1}{5x\bar{q}^2}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}} R_D\left(\frac{y\bar{q}^2}{x\bar{q}^2}, \frac{z\bar{q}^2}{x\bar{q}^2}, 1\right), \\ k_{sc,y}(q) = \frac{qN_t}{4\pi\epsilon_0\gamma^3\beta^2mc^2} \frac{\bar{q}}{\left(\frac{1}{5y\bar{q}^2}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}} R_D\left(\frac{z\bar{q}^2}{y\bar{q}^2}, \frac{x\bar{q}^2}{y\bar{q}^2}, 1\right), \\ k_{sc,z}(q) = \frac{qN_t}{4\pi\epsilon_0\gamma^3\beta^2mc^2} \frac{\bar{q}}{\left(\frac{1}{5z\bar{q}^2}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}} R_D\left(\frac{x\bar{q}^2}{z\bar{q}^2}, \frac{y\bar{q}^2}{z\bar{q}^2}, 1\right), \end{cases}$$

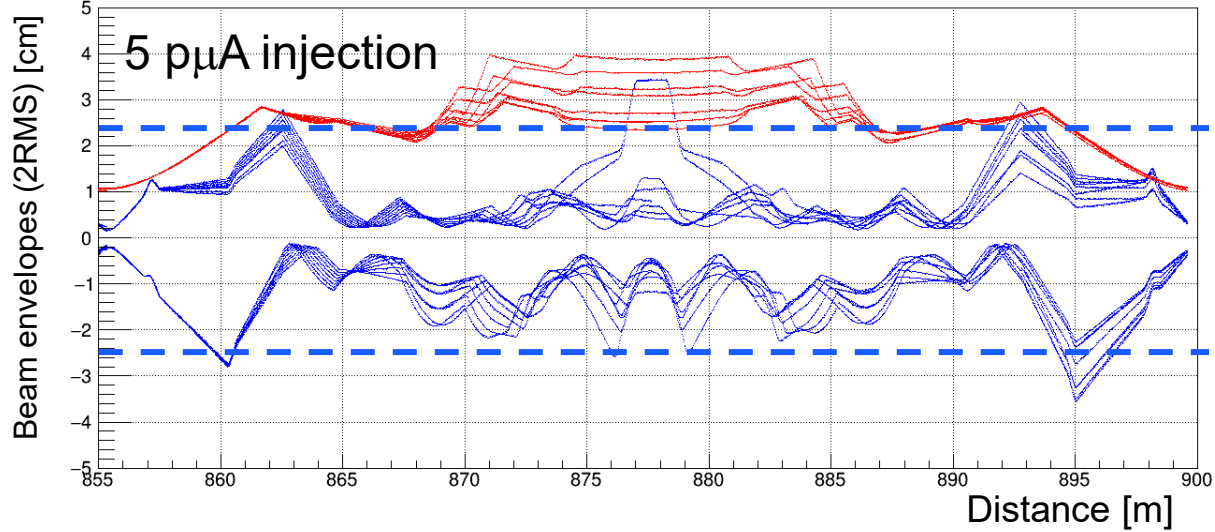
$R_D$ : Carlson elliptic integral of the second kind.



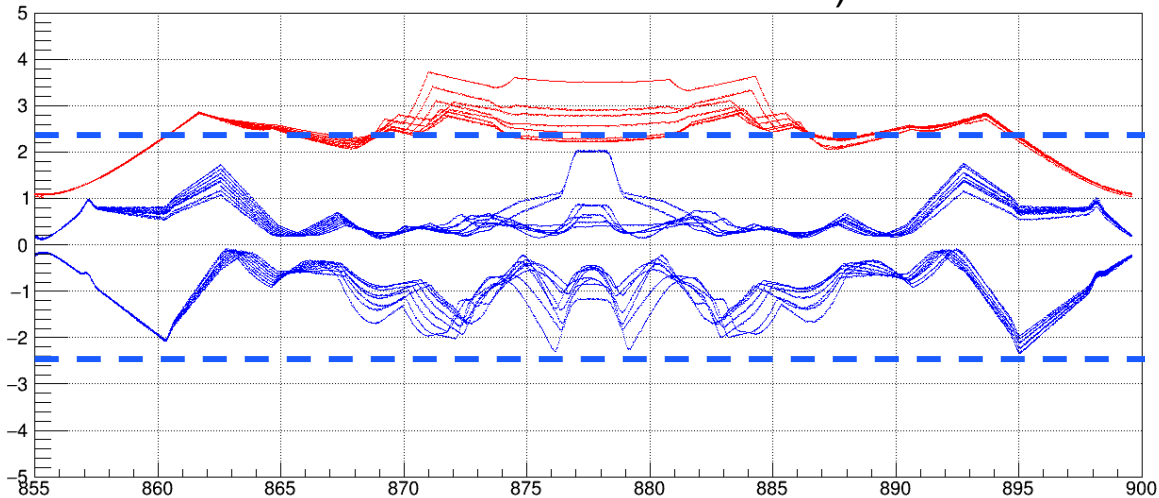
# Blow-up of the beam envelopes due to space charge forces



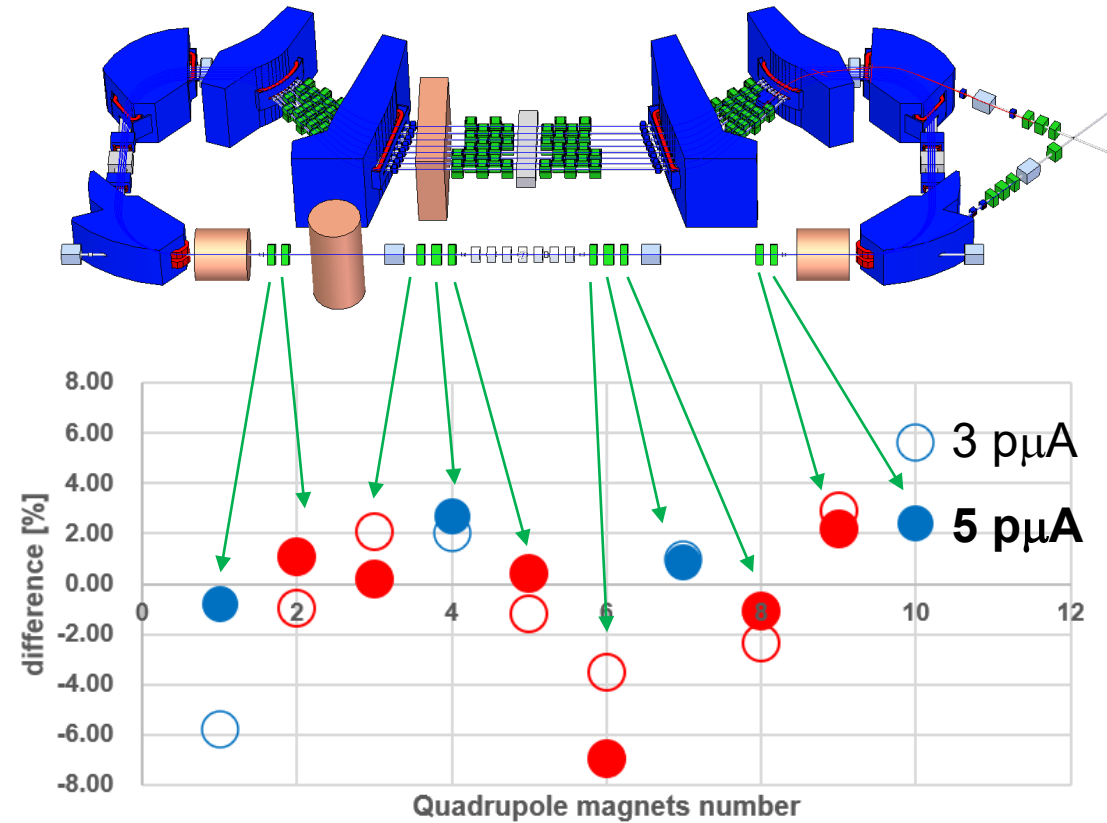
## Beam envelope of 20th turn (~ equilibrium beam)



Corrected only by quadrupole magnets at achromat section  
(CERN's MINUIT was used for the minimization routine.)



## Correction of space charge effect



$D_x$   $F_x$   $F_x$   $D_x$   $F_x$   $F_x$   $D_x$   $F_x$   $F_x$   $D_x$

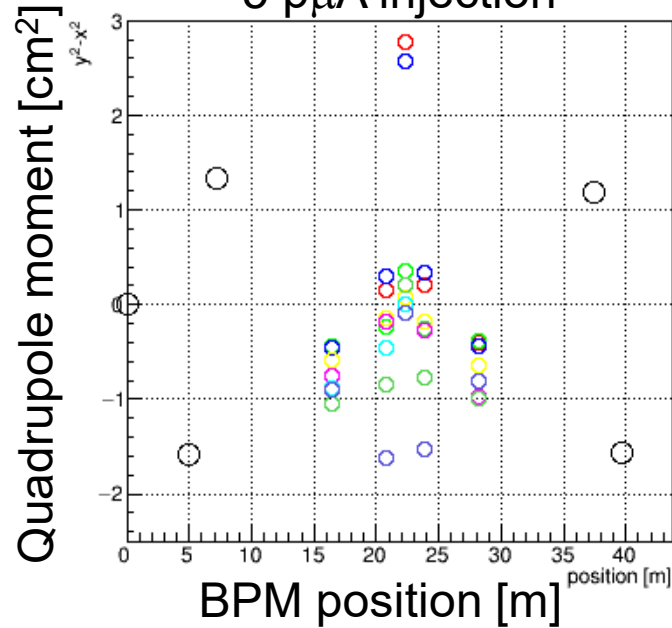
The correction of the quadrupole magnet's focusing force was less than 7%.

**We can calculate optimal parameters for various intensities**

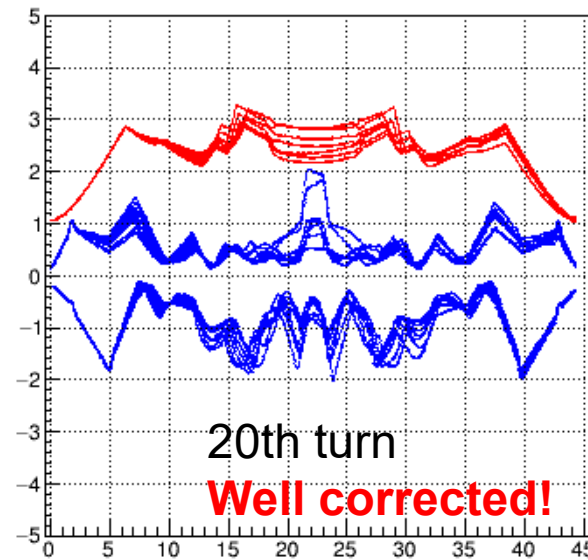
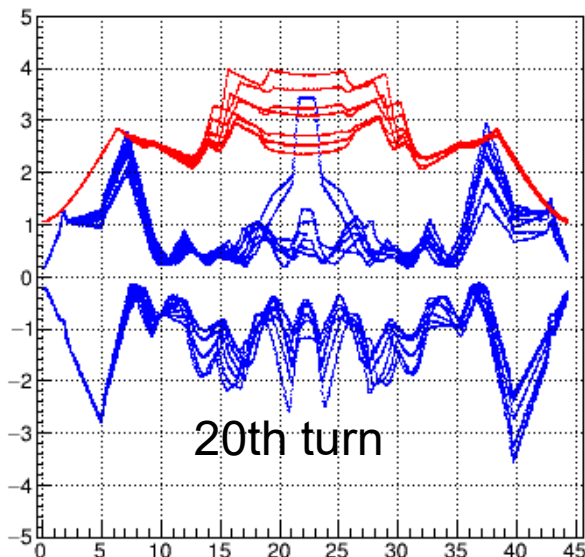
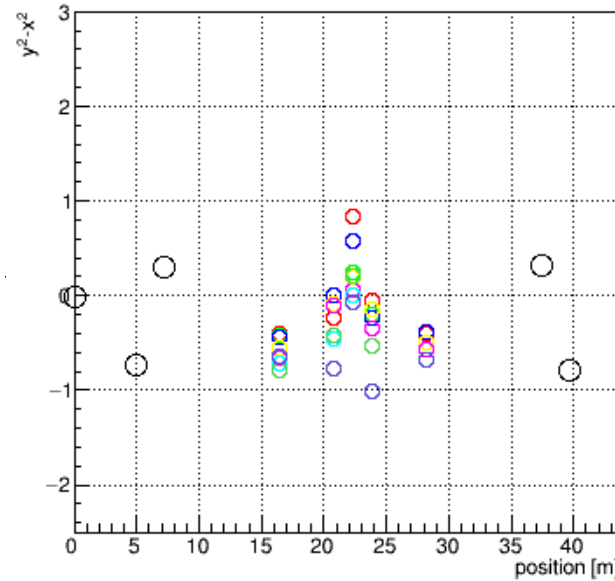
# Demonstration of beam tuning with BPM

**Before correction**

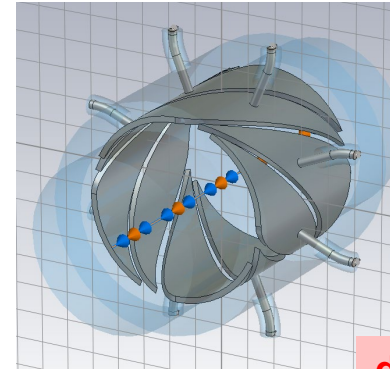
5  $\mu\text{A}$  injection



**After correction**




The actual tuning of the high-intensity beam is carried out using BPM



8-segmented BPM  
(non-destructive monitor for high-intensity beams)

designed by T. Adachi

- Timing
- Intensity
- Position (x, y)
- **Quadrupole moment ( $x^2-y^2$ )**

$$\frac{\sum_i V_i \cos 2\theta}{\sum_i V_i}$$


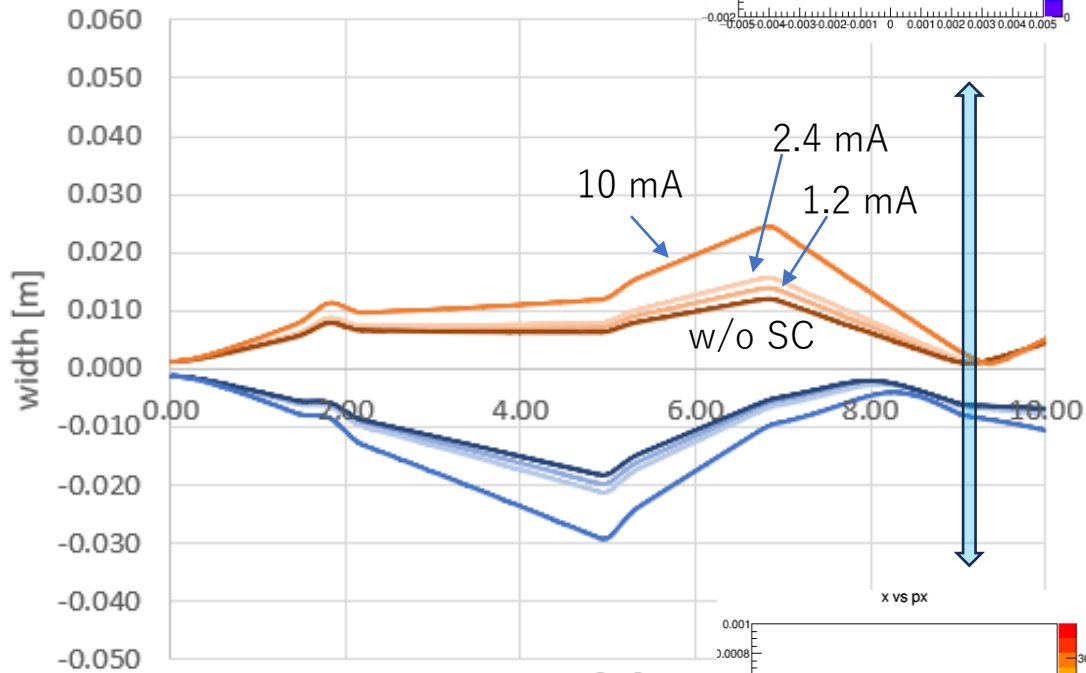
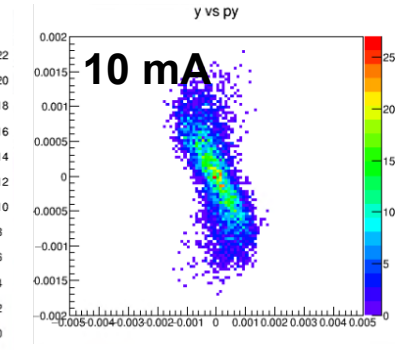
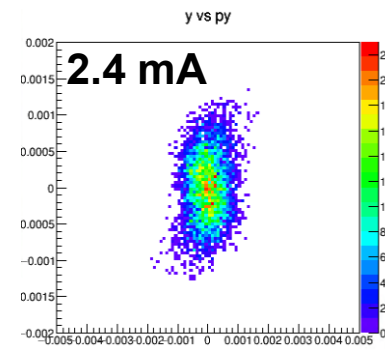
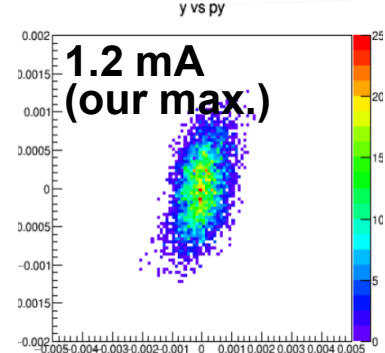
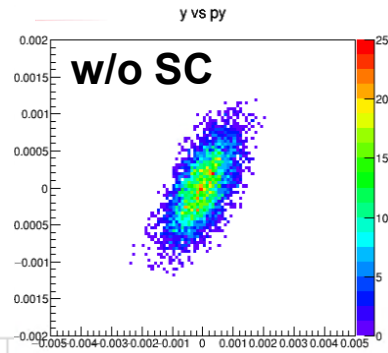
Correction of space charge effects using BPMs was demonstrated.

The simulator is being further upgraded.

# Non-linear effect of SC with OPAL code

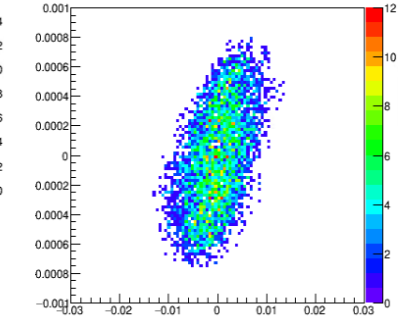
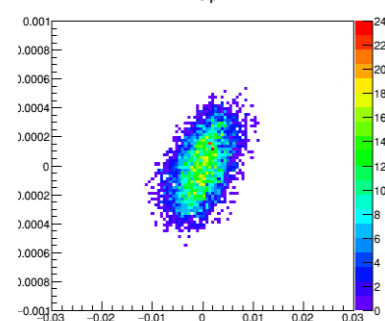
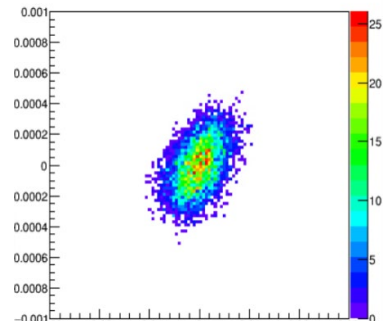
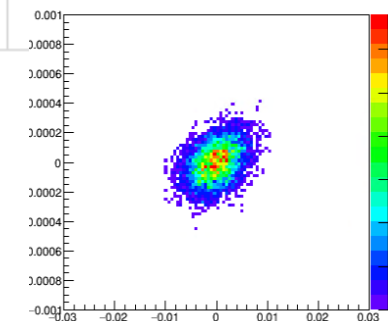
Phase ellipses calculated by OPAL

$y-y'$



$s$  [m]

$x-x'$



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Development

## The OPAL Framework: Version 2.5

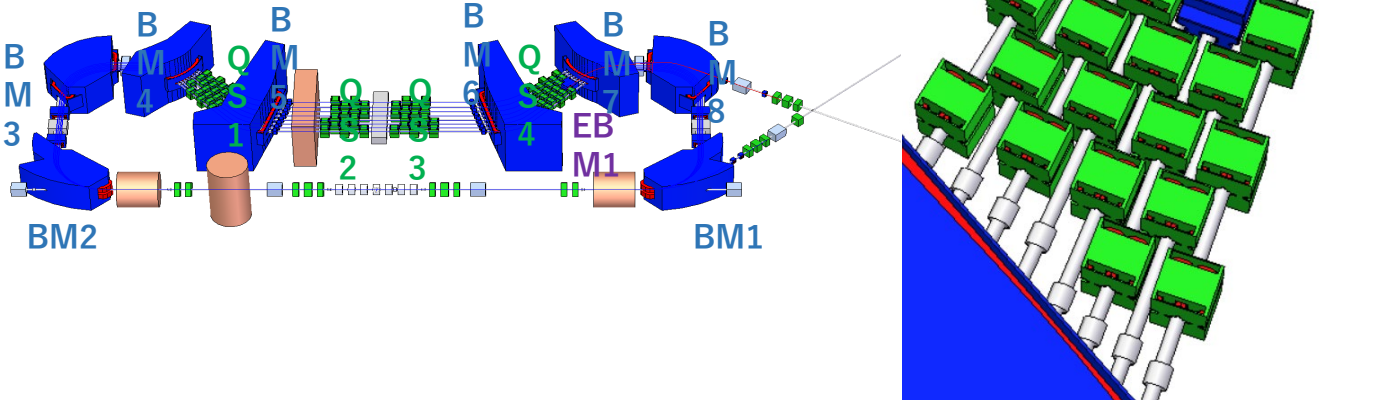
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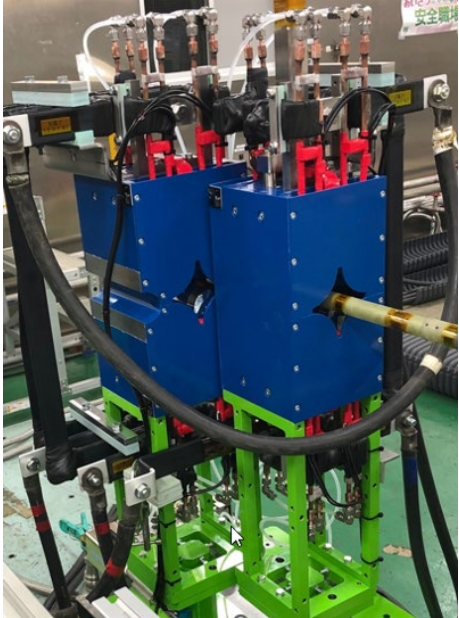
Nonlinear effects are not so significant at our operating intensities.

# R&D for Q-mag station

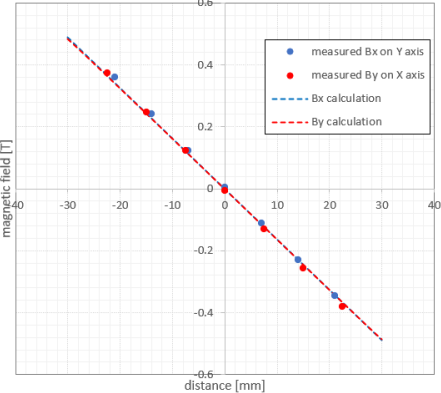
3D Design of quadrupole magnets station



Prototype of QMs and field measurements

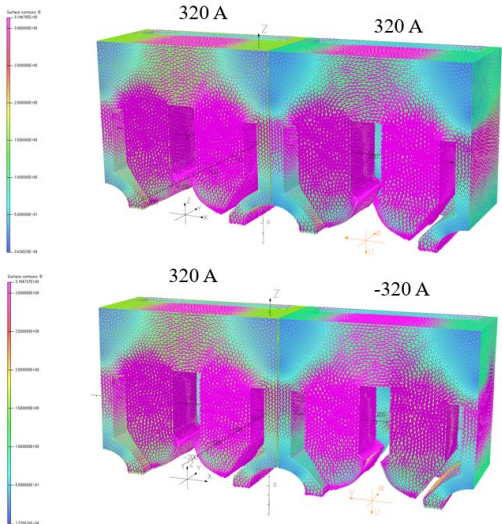


(Patented, JPN 2020-056540)

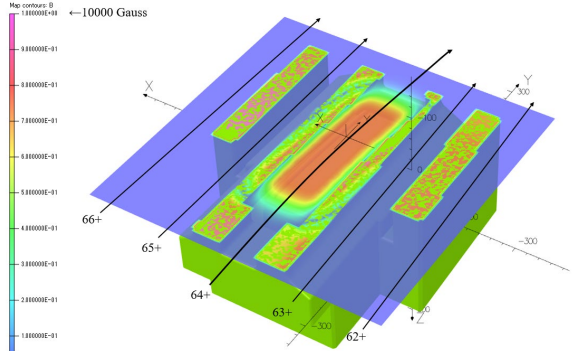


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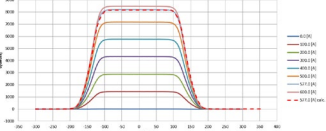
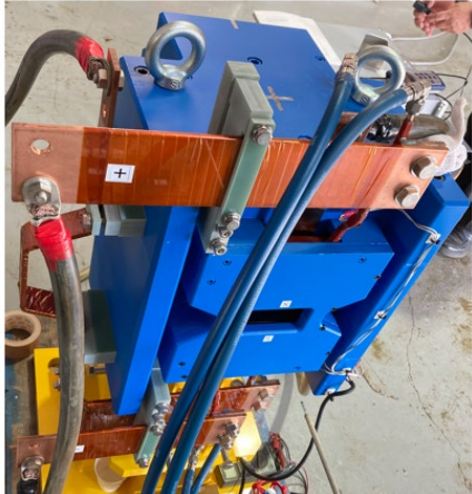
Coupling calculation between QMs



Calculated magnetic field of EBM1

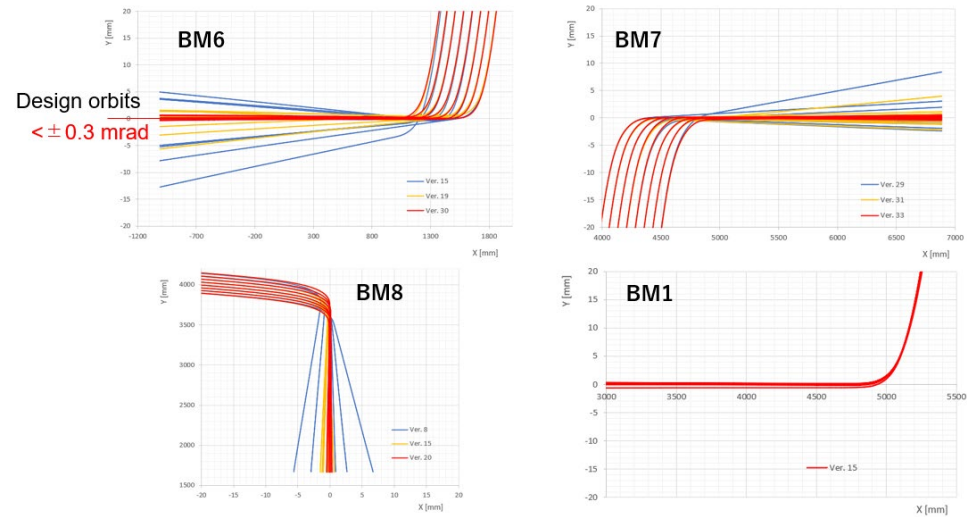


Prototype of EBM1 and field measurements

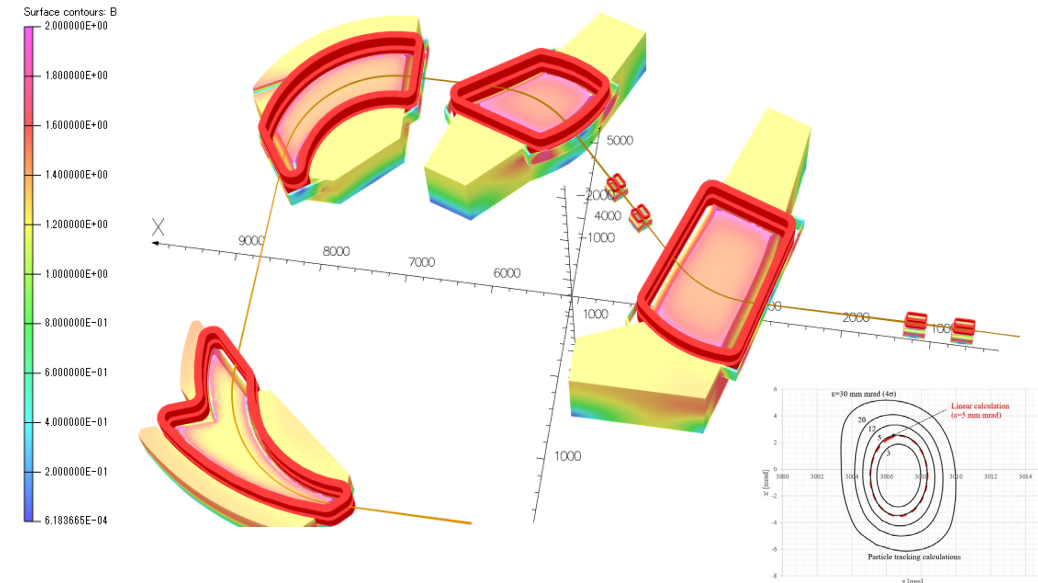


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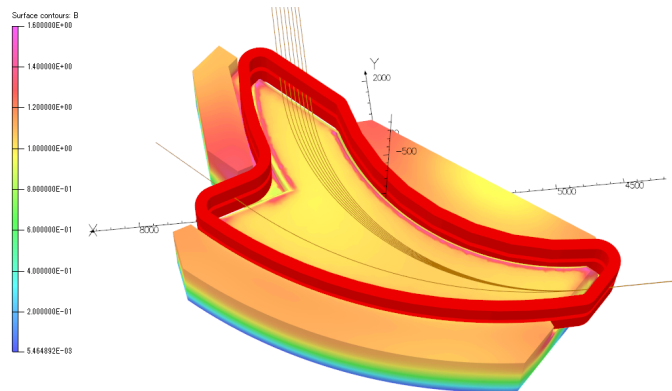
## Optimization of orbits for each magnets



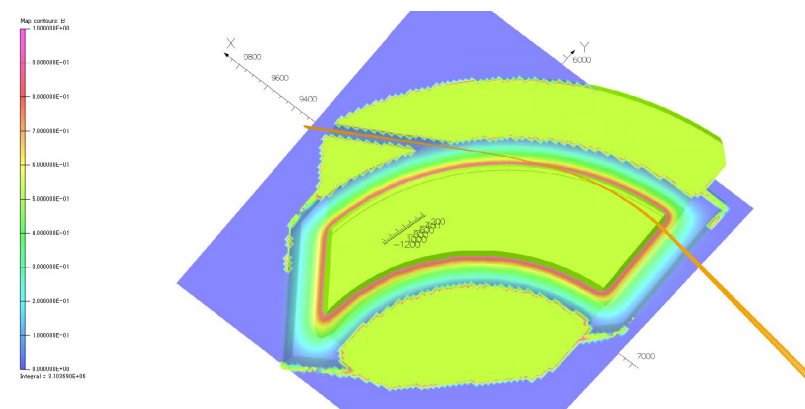
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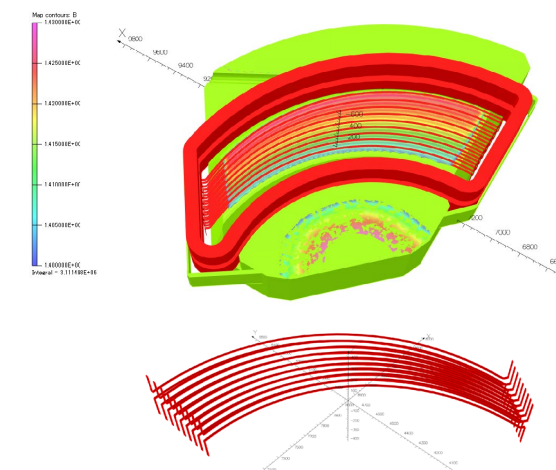
## Beam injection



## Beam extraction



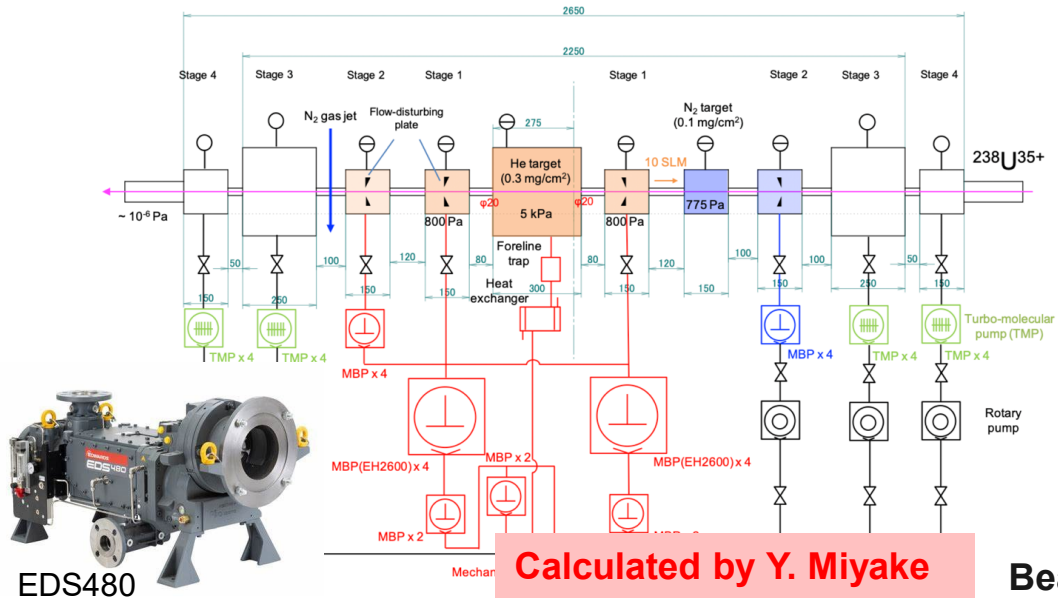
## Calculation for trim coils



Conceptual design has been completed and mechanical design is being performed.

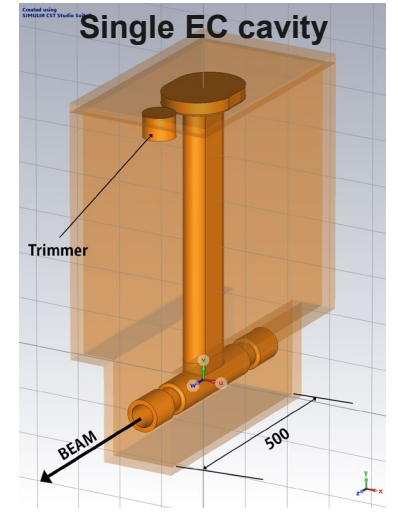
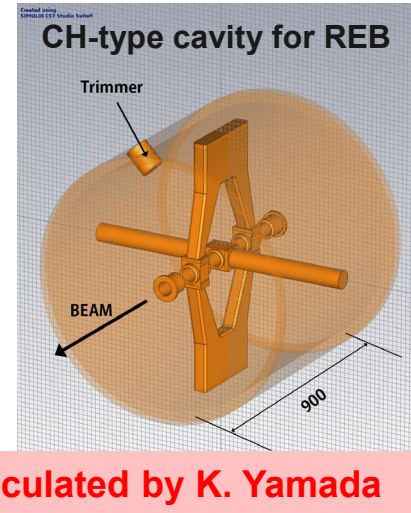
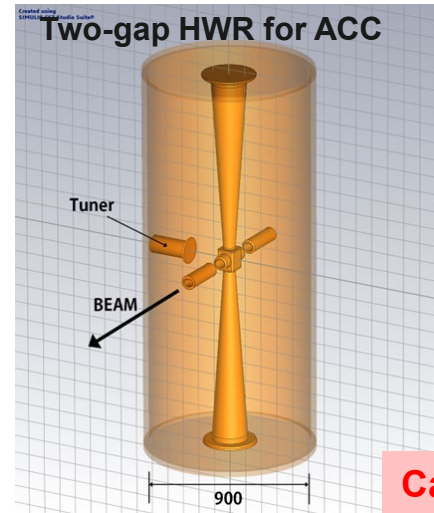
# Design works for others

## Two-stage stripper design



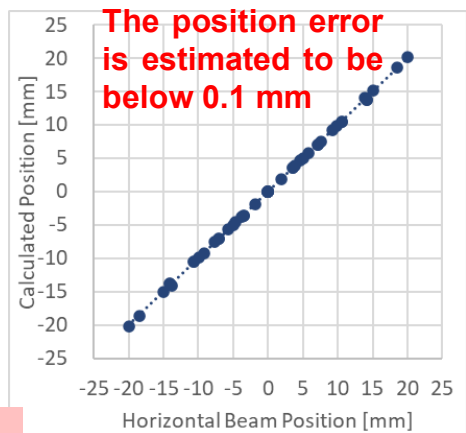
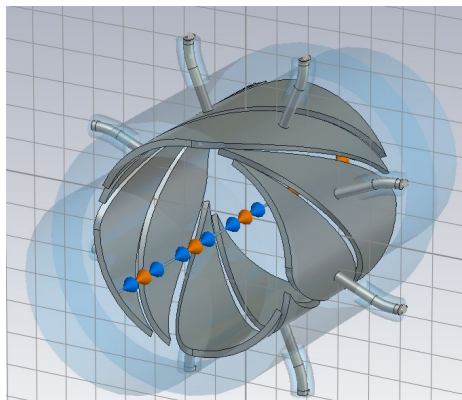
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## 3D models of RF cavities for CSR1 in calculations



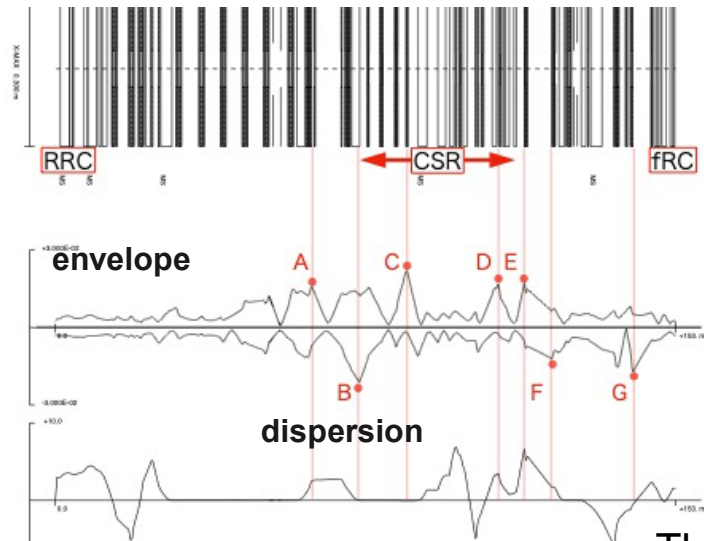
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## Design of BPM and linearity of beam positions (Patent Pending, JPN 2023-128268)



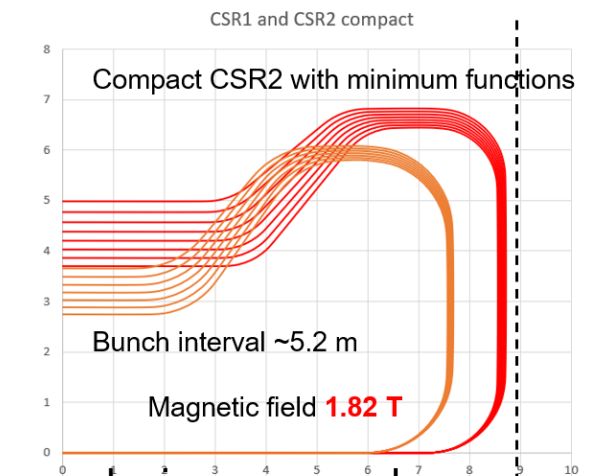
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## Beam transport calculation from RRC to fRC



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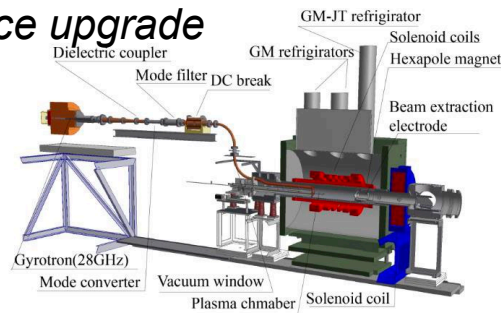
## Design for CSR2



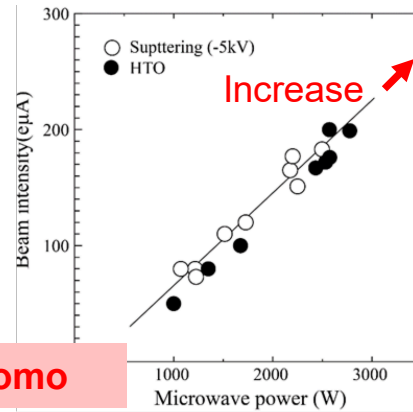
The same design approach as CSR1 can be used for CSR2.

- Upgrade plan for 20-fold uranium intensity (2000 pnA, 164 kW) is underway.
- CSR is a key device to enhance charge conversion efficiency by recycling beams.
- Design works of CSR1 has progressed well.
- Design works for existing accelerator upgrade is also underway

## Ion source upgrade

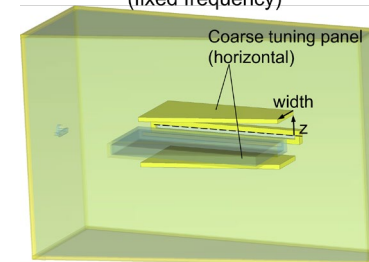


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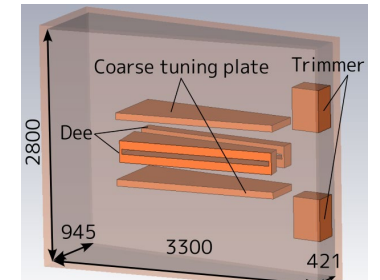


## Design of new RF cavities for SRC and fRC

Structure under consideration (fixed frequency)

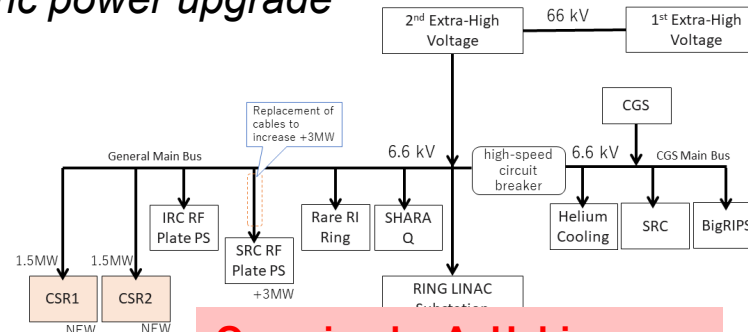


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## Electric power upgrade



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