



# What we learned from EMMA

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- Introduction of non-scaling FFAGs
- Highlights for the last few years
- What we learned from EMMA
- Next step and possible minor improvements

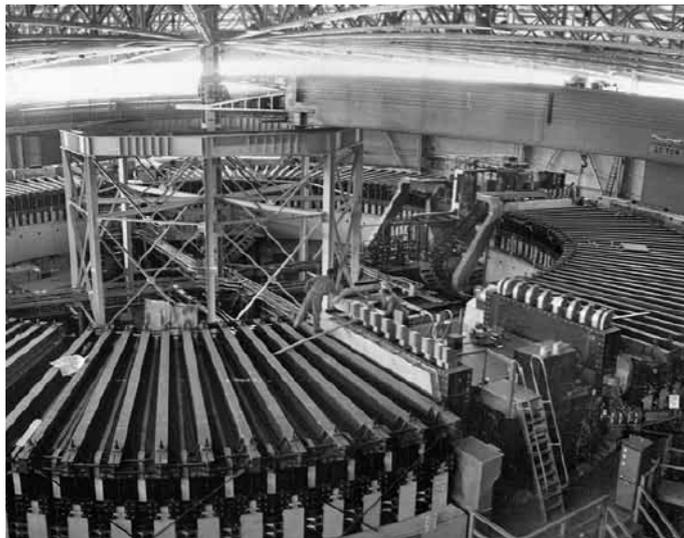
# Introduction

# From weak to strong focusing

Weak focusing synchrotron

Strong (or Alternating Gradient) focusing

Bevatron



Brookhaven AGS



**Small beta function**

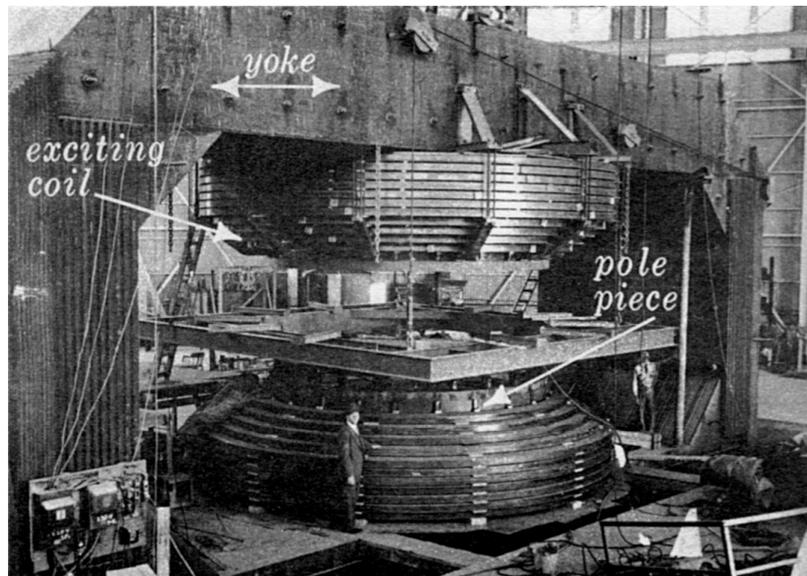
Beam size becomes small for the same emittance

**Small dispersion function**

Orbit shift due to momentum spread becomes small

# From cyclotron to FFAG

Cyclotron  
Synchro-cyclotron



184 inch Berkley  
synchrocyclotron

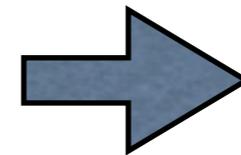
Fixed Field Alternating Gradient  
(FFAG)

MURA electron  
FFAG



**Strong focusing**

Beam size is small  
Orbit excursion is small



Small chamber  
Small magnets  
Higher energy

(in addition)

**Constant tune**

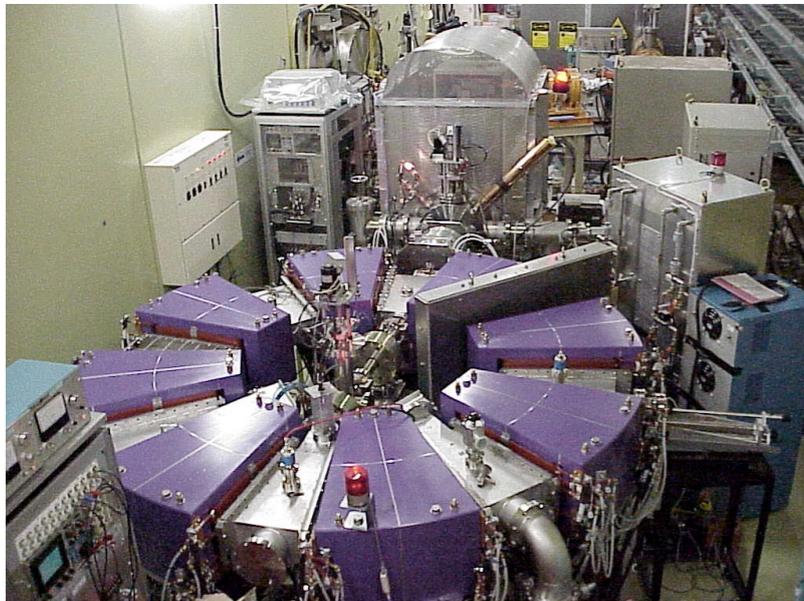
Avoid resonance crossing

**Pulsed operation**

Low average current

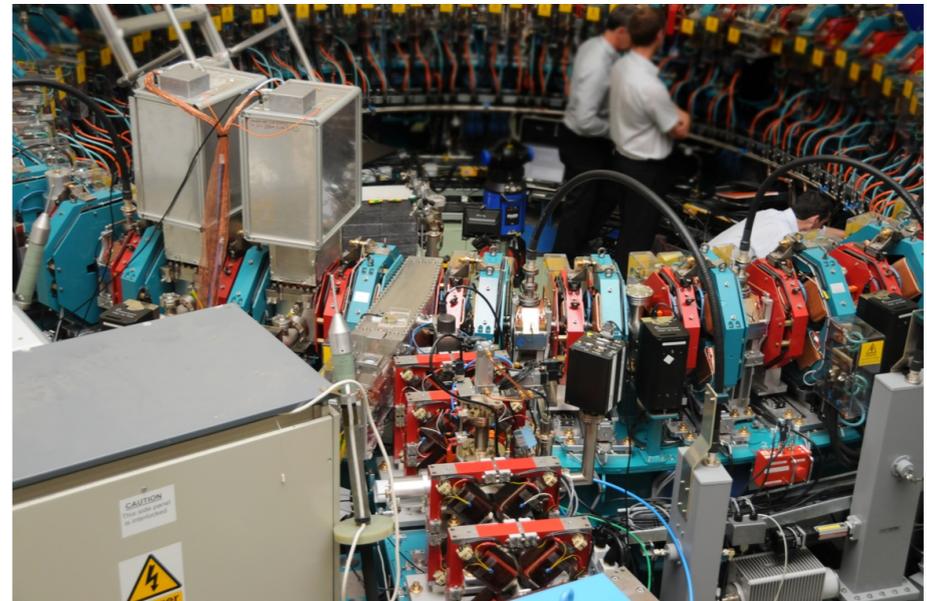
# From scaling to non-scaling FFAG

## Scaling FFAG



KEK PoP  
FFAG

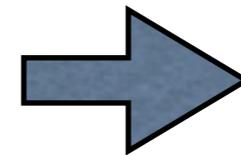
## Non-scaling FFAG



EMMA

**Stronger** focusing

Beam size is small  
Orbit excursion is small



Small chamber  
Small magnets  
Higher energy

~~Constant tune~~

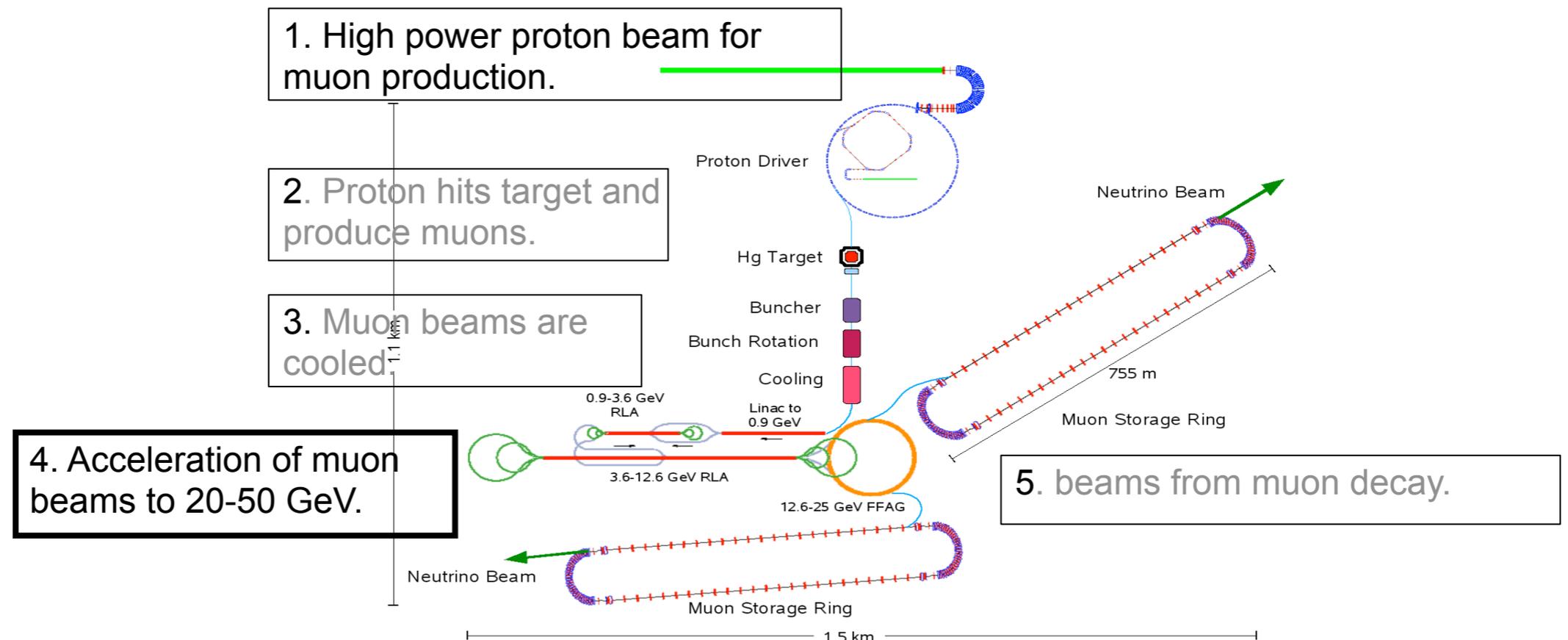
Cannot avoid resonance crossing

Pulsed operation

Low average current

# Accelerator for muons

## Motivation behind



Muon beams **does not stay in FFAG for long**

Resonance may be harmless

**Emittance** of muon beams **is huge**

Large machine acceptance is required

**High momentum gain** is preferable

Orbit excursion should be as small as possible

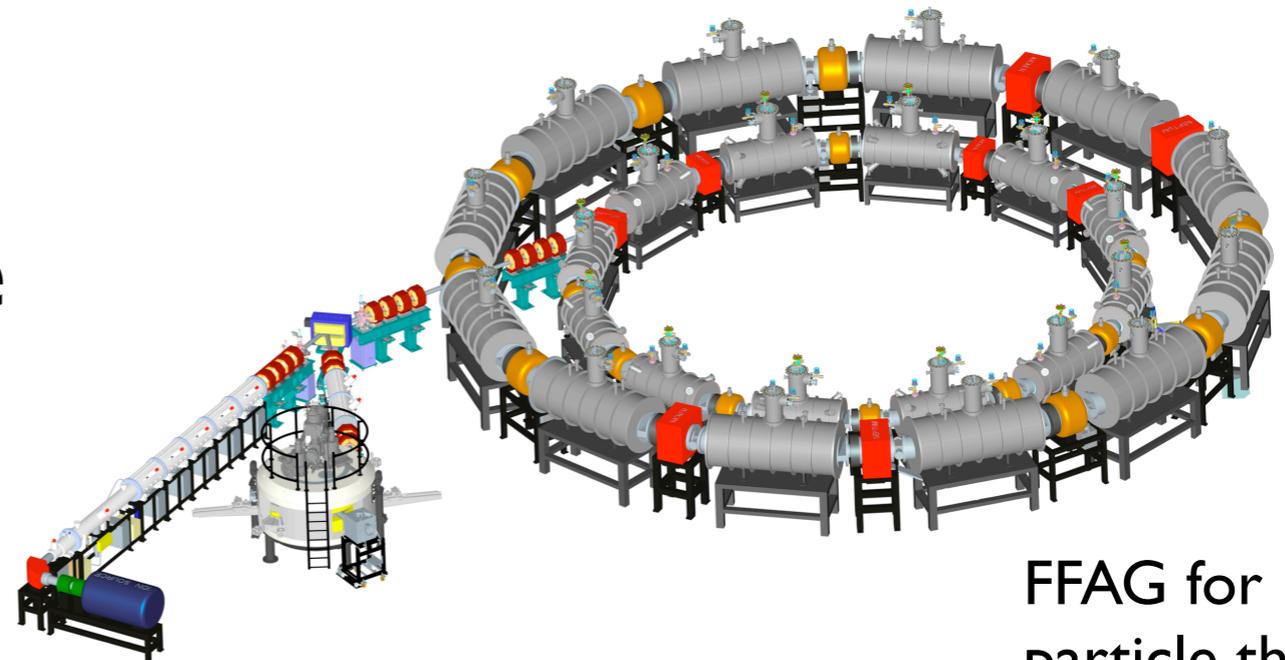
# From concept to demonstration

What a nice idea! (by Johnstone and Mills)

Fixed field accelerator (like cyclotron) with the size of synchrotron magnets.

Idea was initially proposed as a muon accelerator for a neutrino factory.

Applications of the same concept were further considered.



FFAG for particle therapy

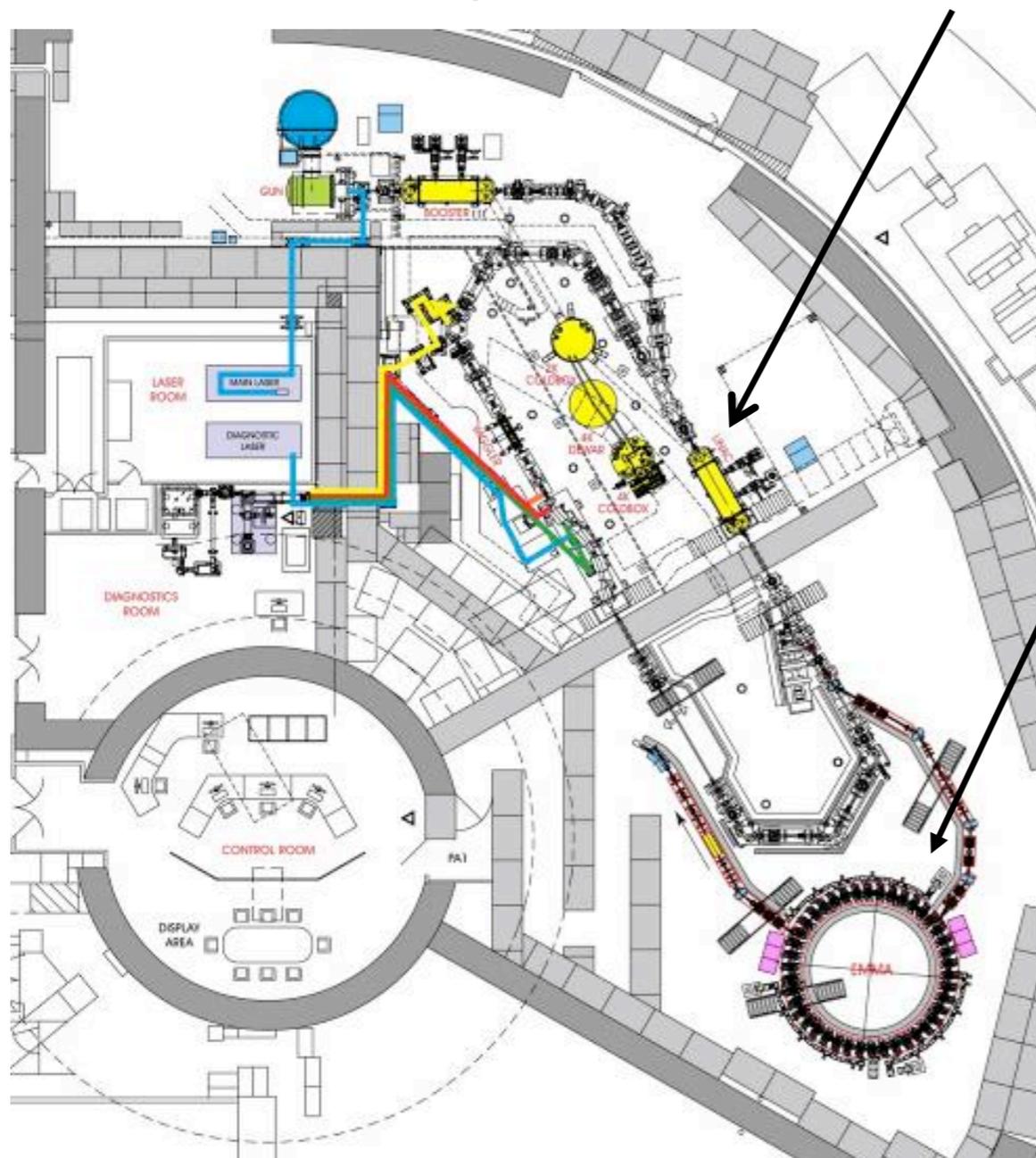
EMMA (Electron Model for Many Applications).

# Highlights for the last few years

# Home of EMMA

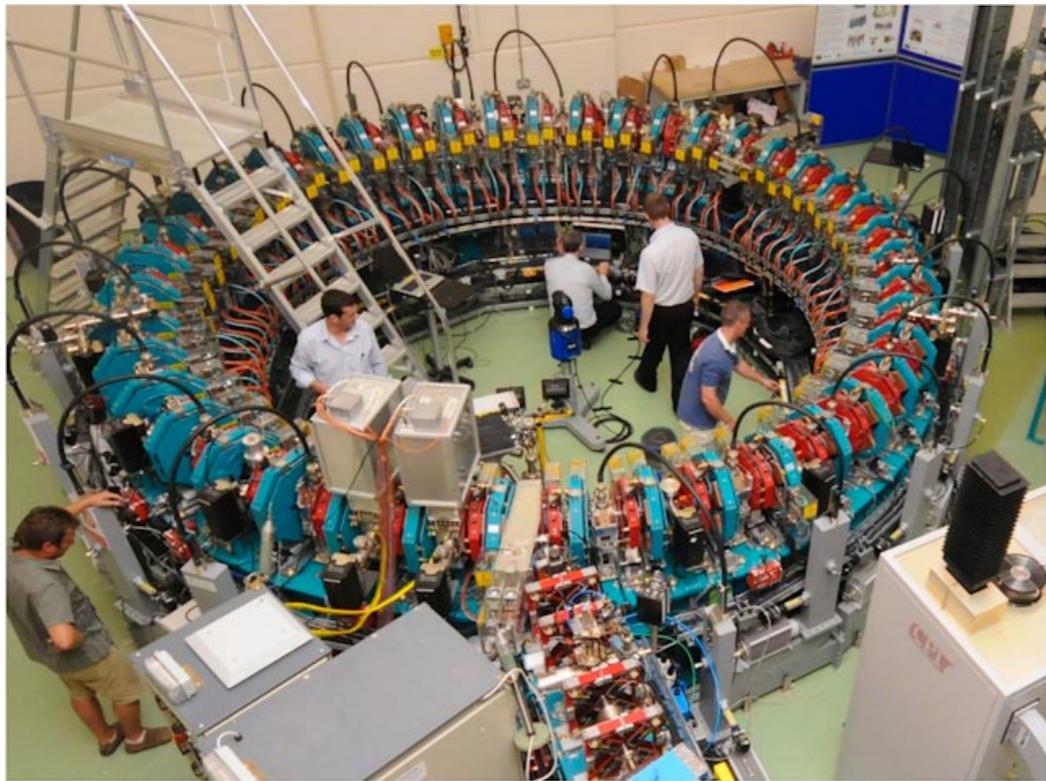
## Built at Daresbury Laboratory in the UK

### ALICE (Accelerators and Lasers in Combined Experiments)



EMMA

Parameter	Value
Particle	electrons
Momentum	10.5 to 20.5 MeV/c
Cell	42 doublet
Circumference	16.57 m
RF Frequency	1.301 GHz
RF voltage	2 MV with 19 cavities

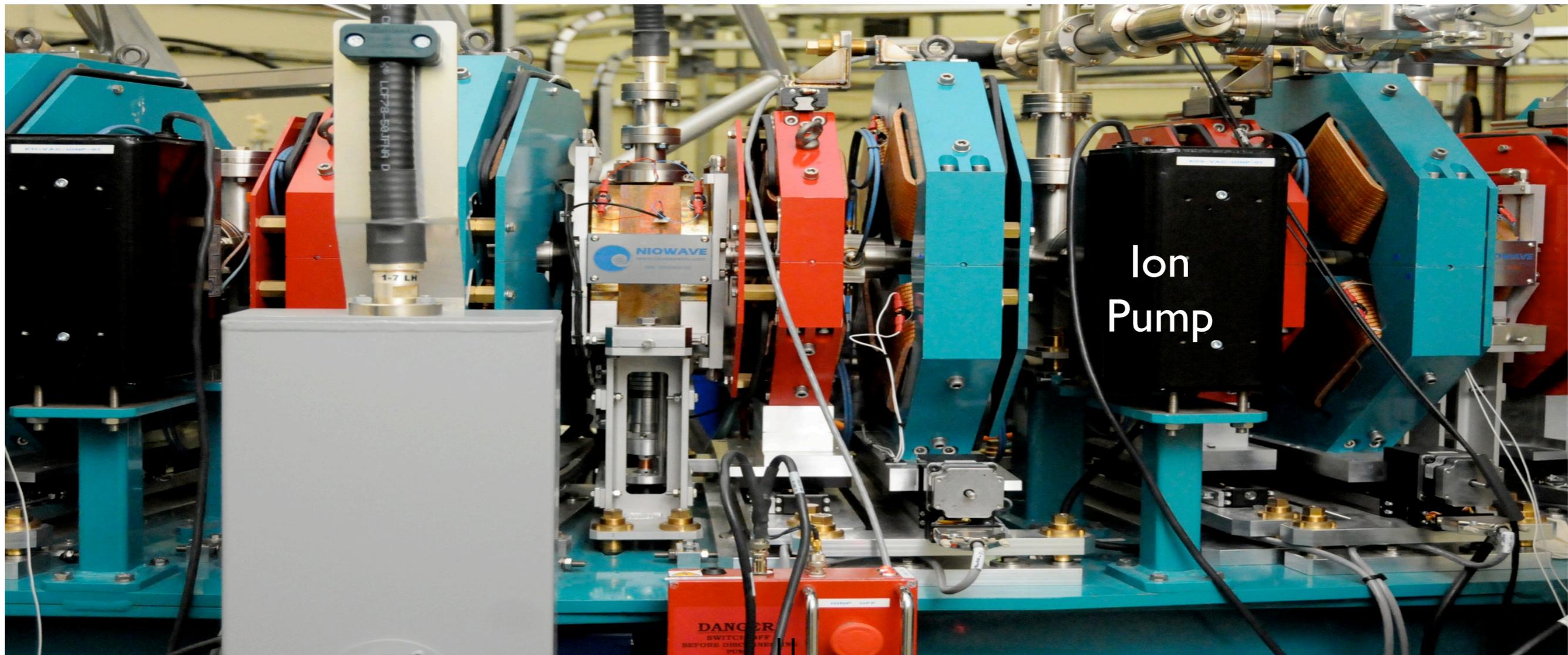


# EMMA in pictures

F-QUAD

rf cavity

D-QUAD

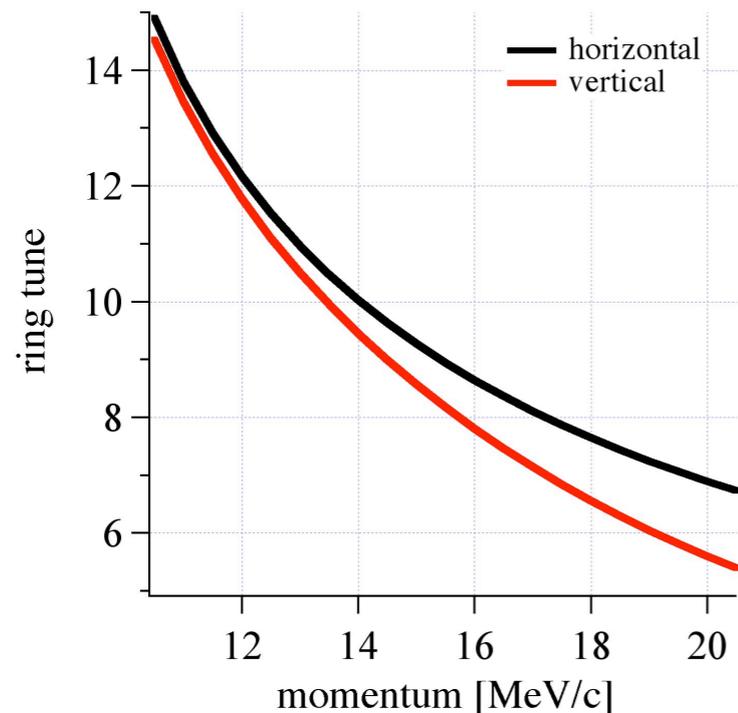


Ion  
Pump

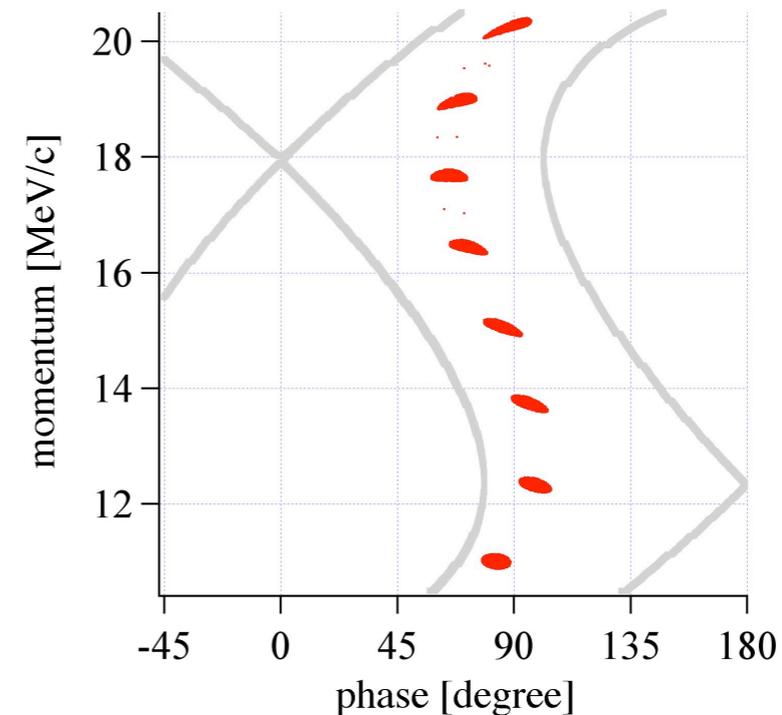
DANGER  
SWITCH OFF  
BEFORE OBTAINING  
PUMP

# Three main goals

(1) Fast acceleration with resonance crossing.



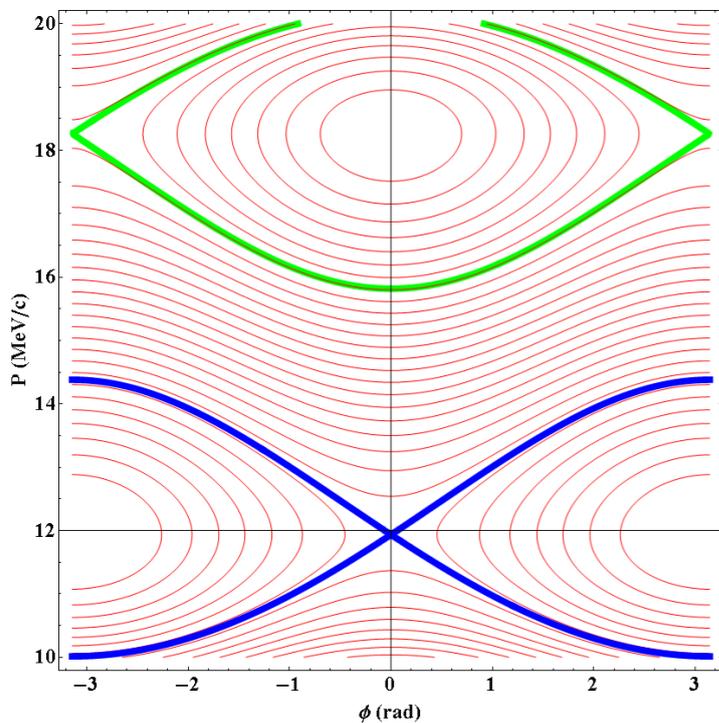
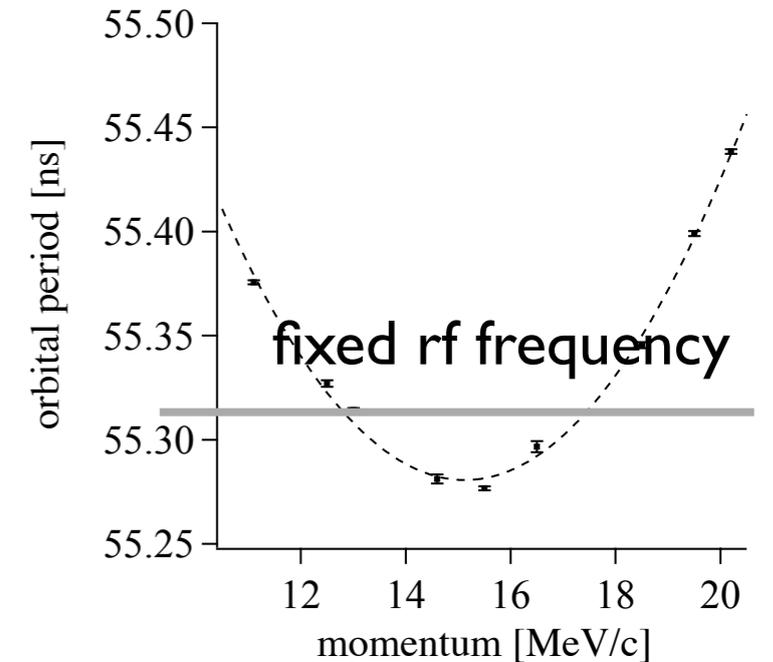
(2) Serpentine channel acceleration.



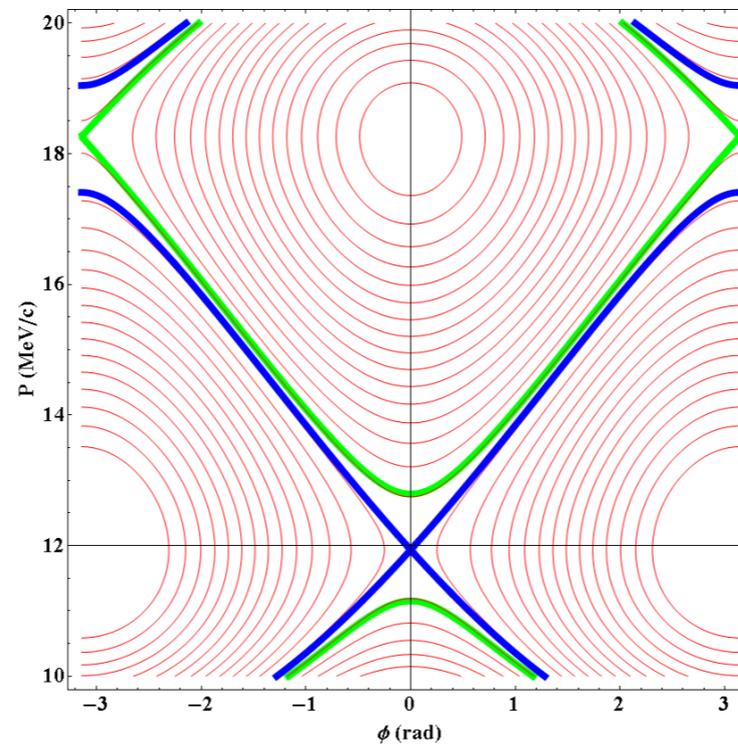
(3) Large acceptance (strong focus.)

# Serpentine channel

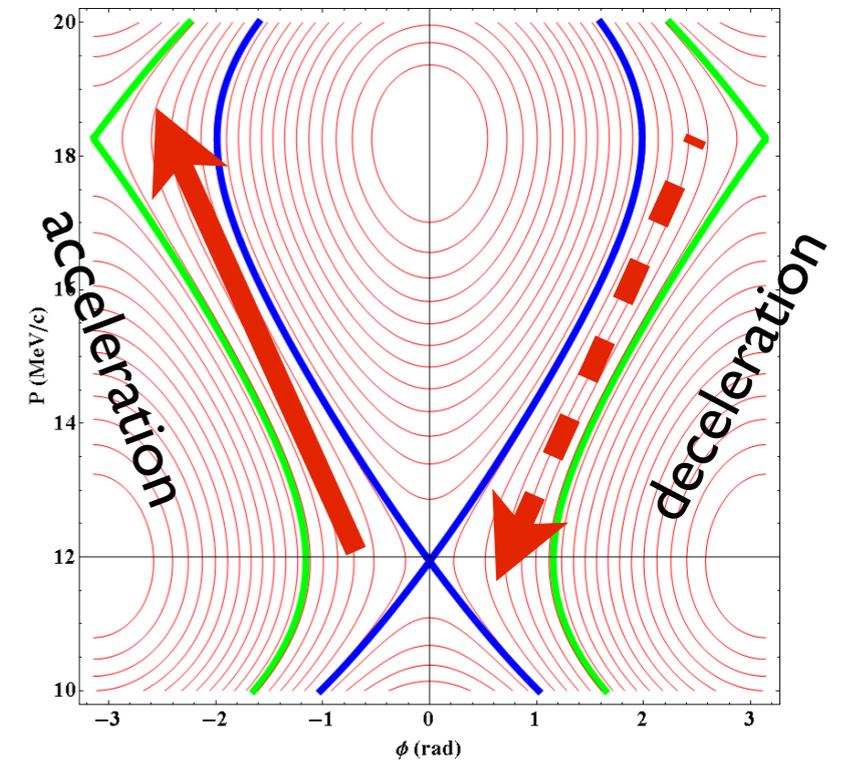
When orbital period is almost constant and has parabolic dependence on momentum, path outside rf buckets emerges in longitudinal phase space.



rf voltage is not enough



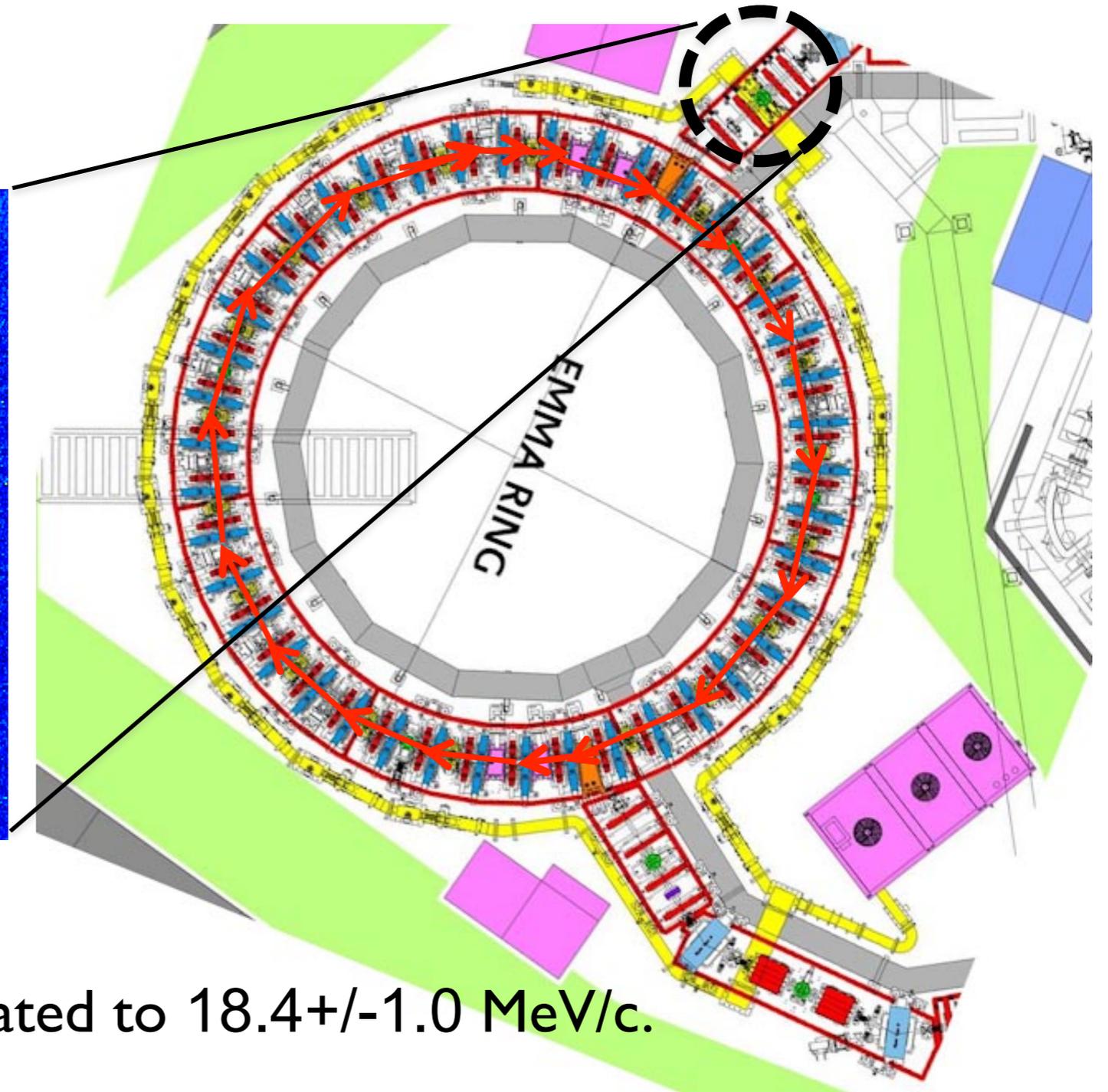
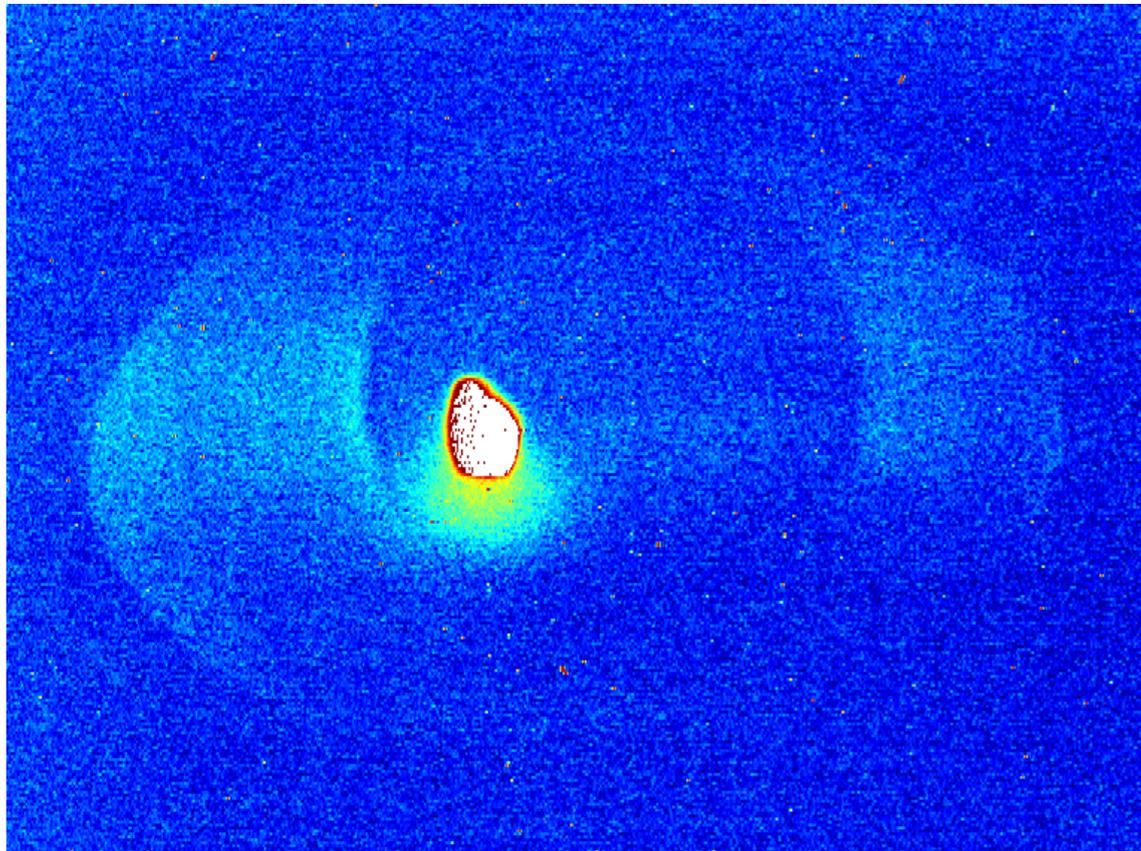
at critical rf voltage



rf voltage is enough to open channel

# Momentum measurement at extraction

Beam image after extraction  
on 18 April 2011

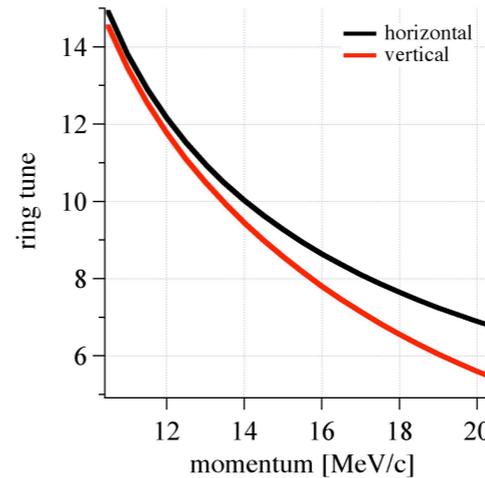


12.0 $\pm$ 0.1 MeV/c beam is accelerated to 18.4 $\pm$ 1.0 MeV/c.

With rf voltage of 1.9 MV

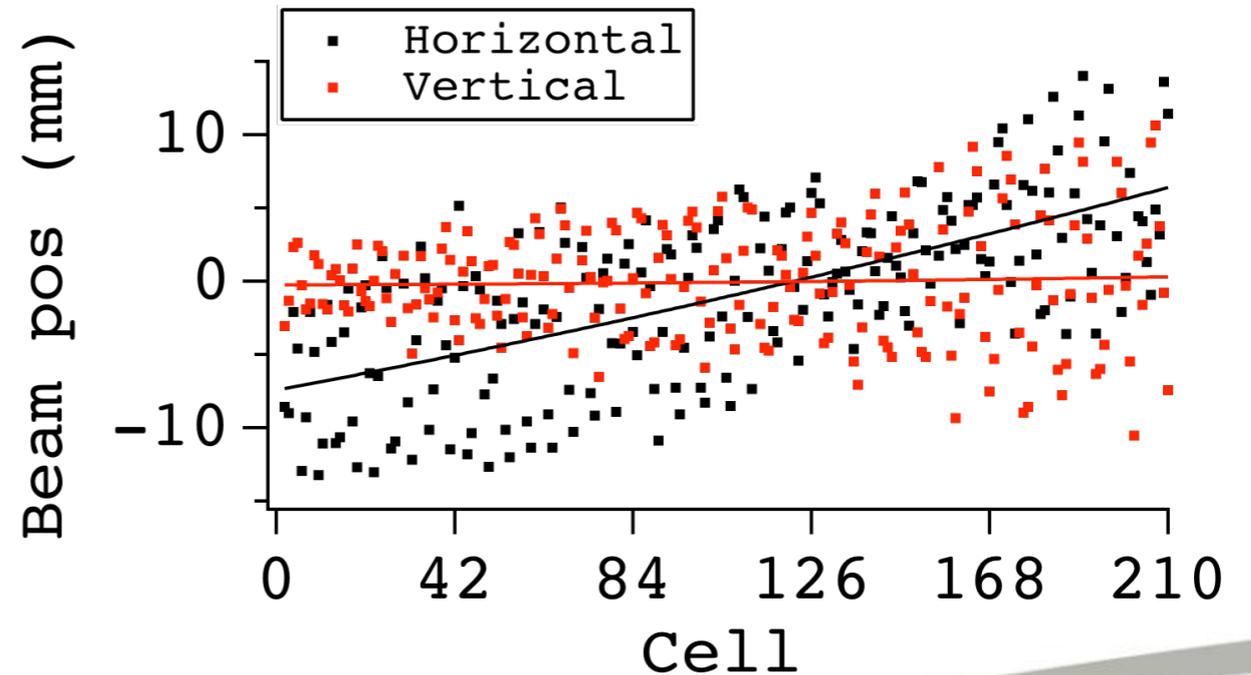
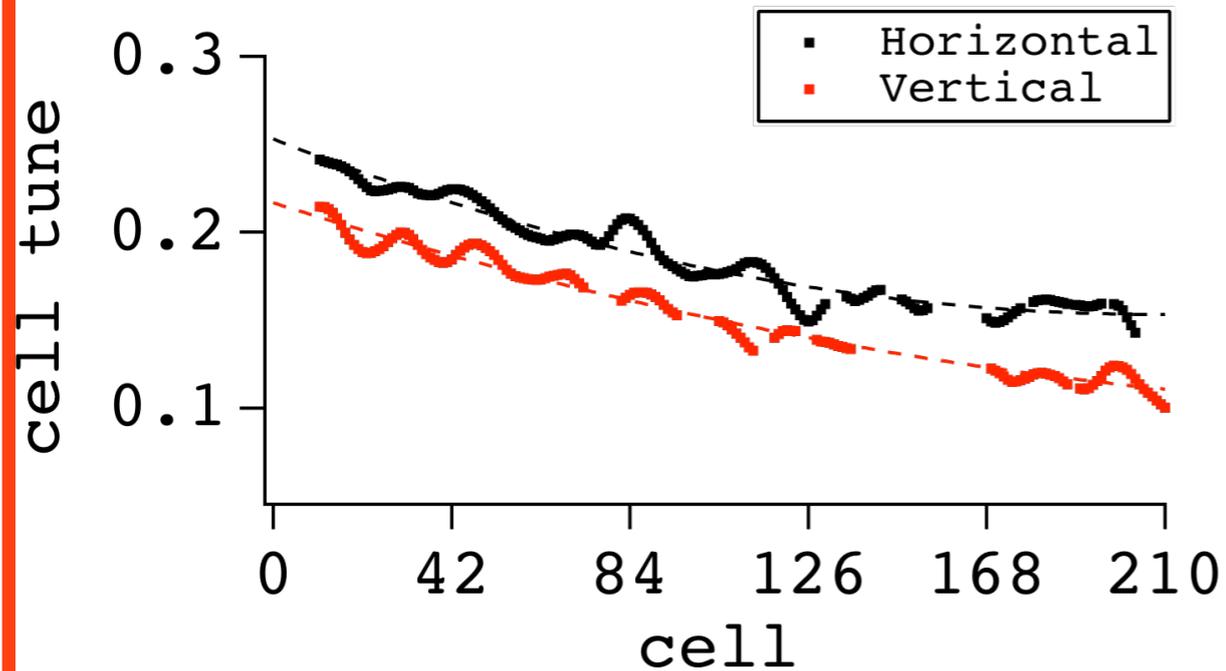
# Acceleration with resonance crossing

Rapid acceleration  
with large tune  
variation



## Highlight 1

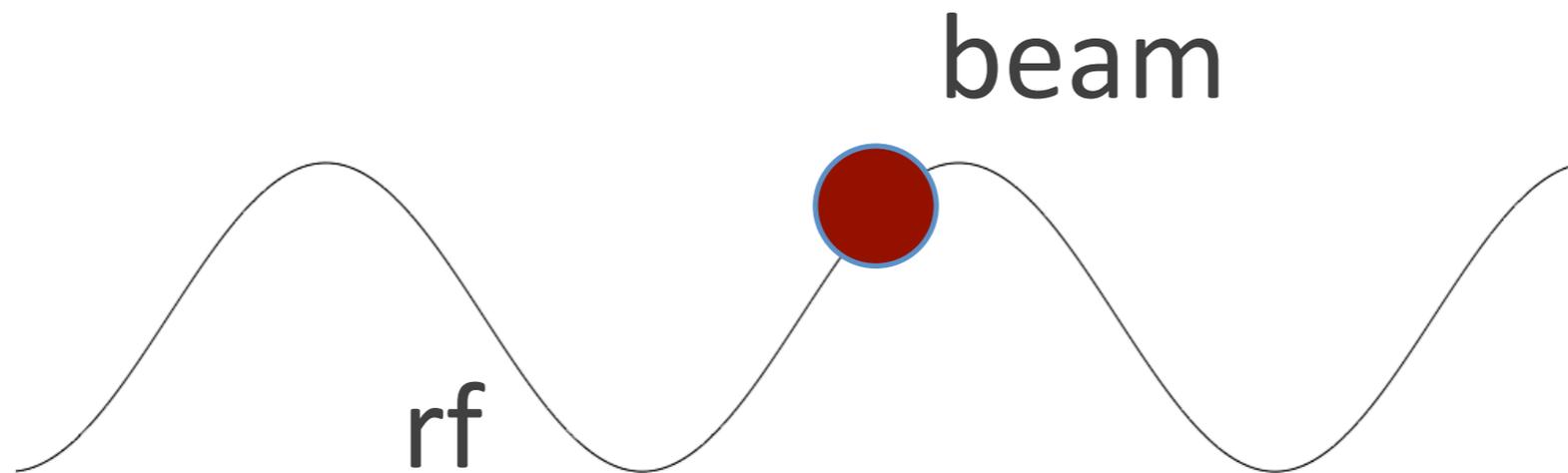
Tune decreases and hor. orbit increases monotonically in measurement.



# Calibration of momentum

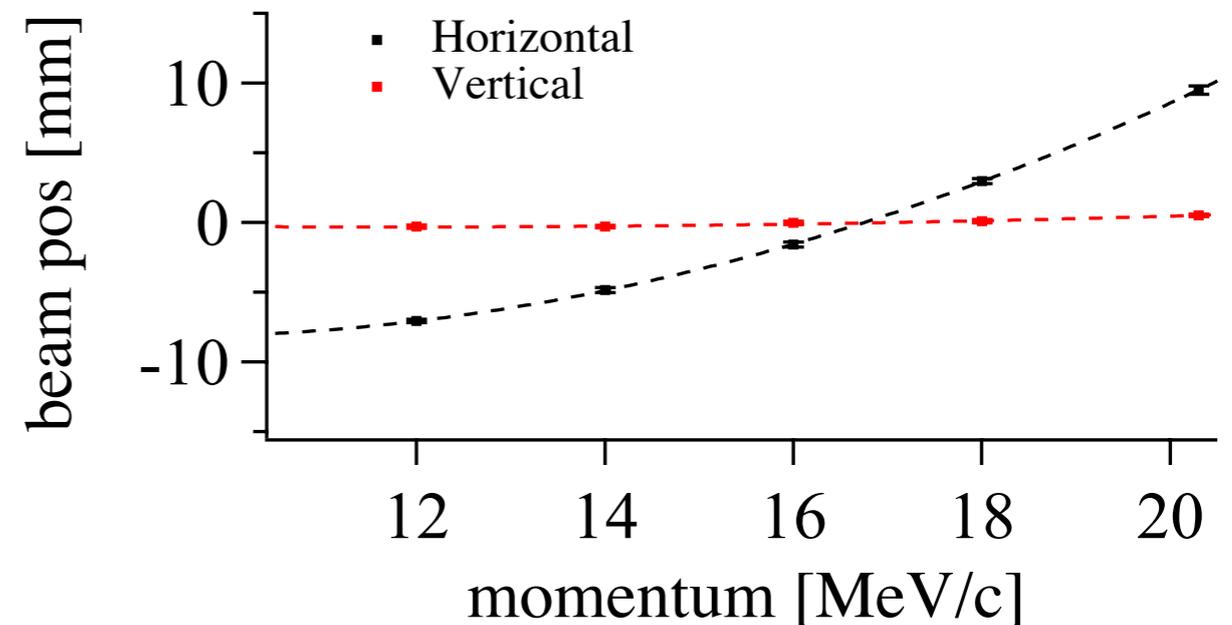
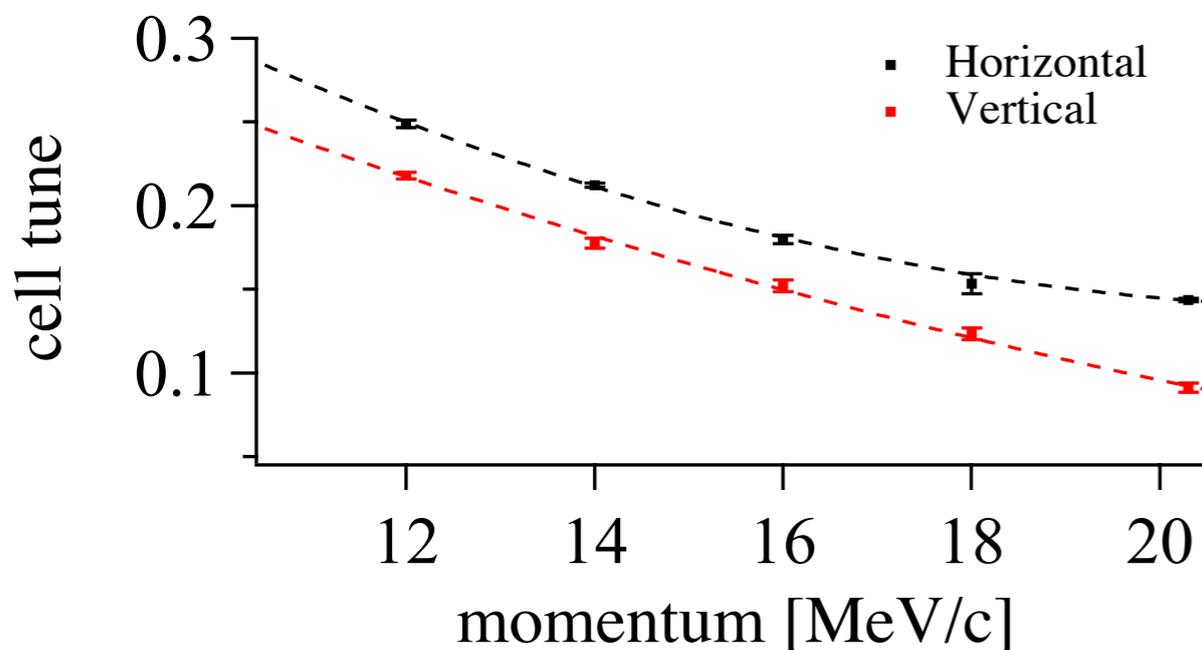
Relative phase between beam and rf waveform were directly measured by oscilloscope.

Absolute phase zero was determined by the position of stable fixed point where the beam oscillates with very small synchrotron oscillation.



# Calibration of momentum

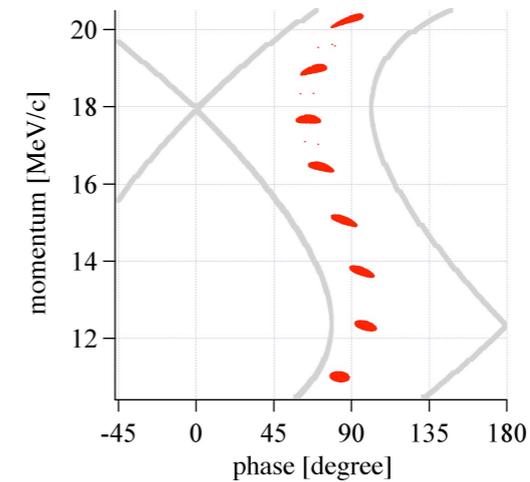
Measurement of (1) cell tune vs momentum and (2) beam position vs momentum can be used to translate from cell tune and vertical beam position to momentum.



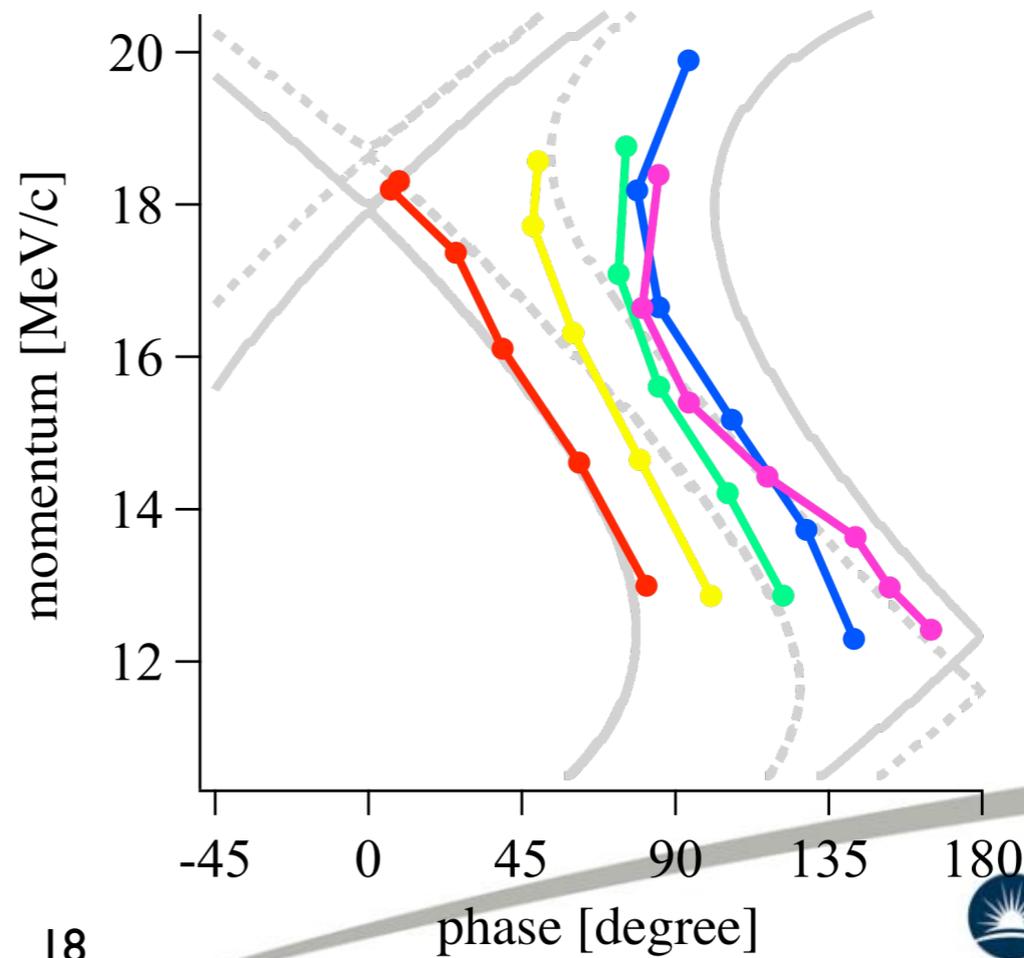
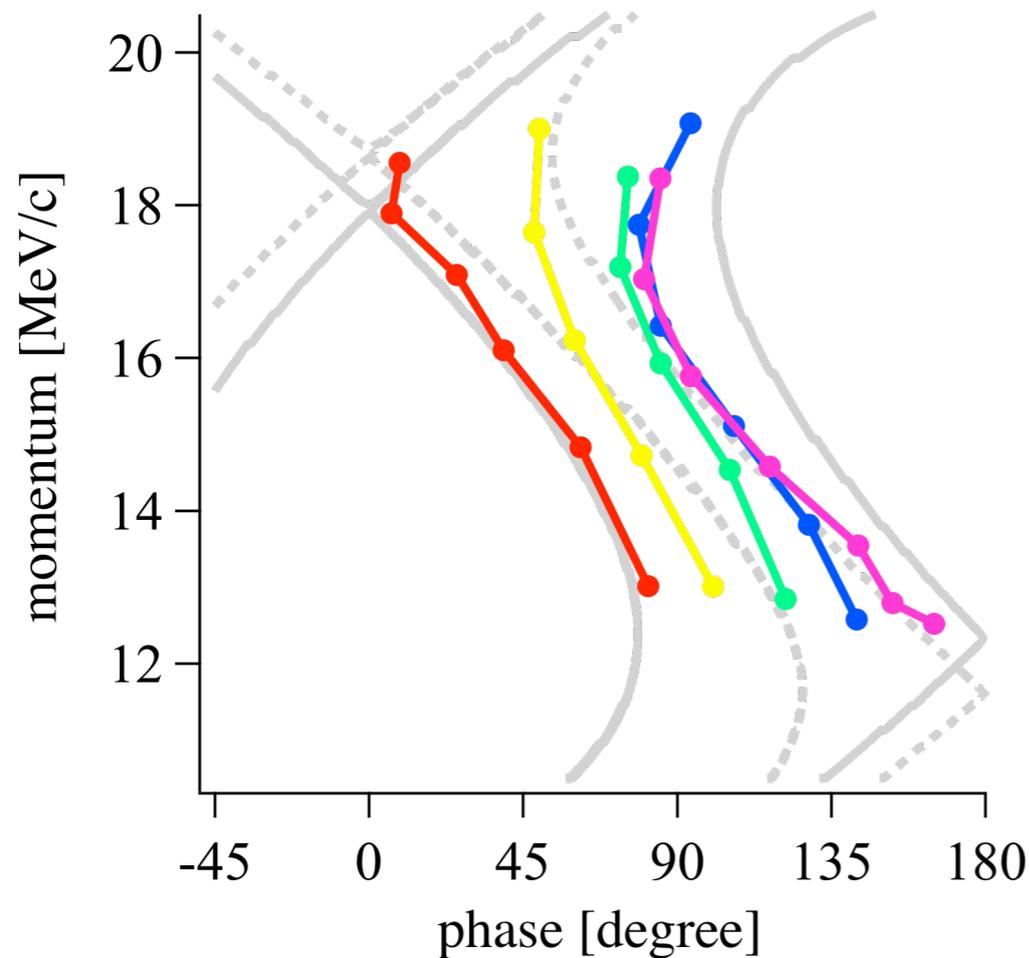
# Serpentine channel acceleration

Serpentine channel acceleration outside rf bucket

Highlight 2



Longitudinal trajectory measured experimentally.

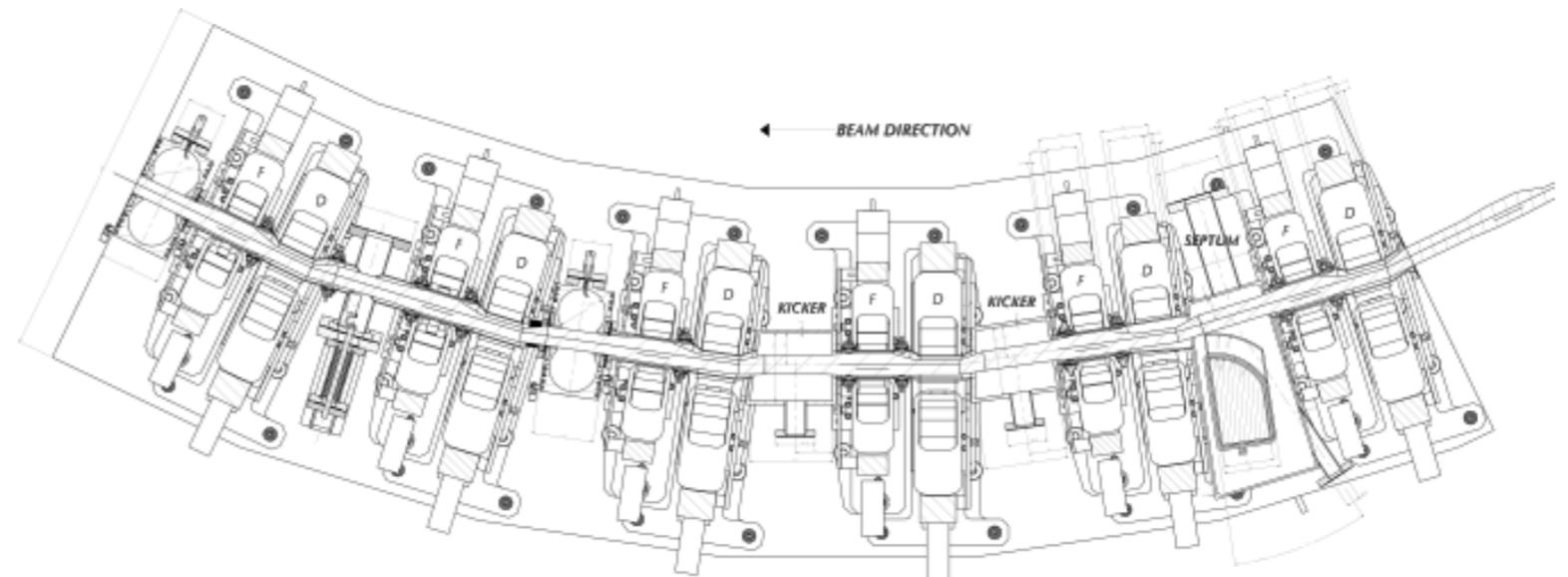
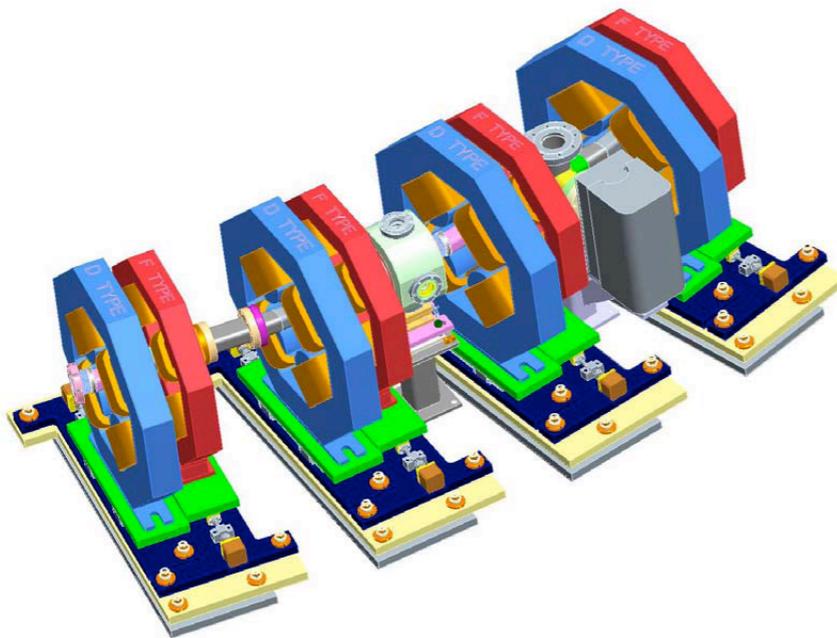


# What we learned

# What we learned (1)

*very small dispersion lattice*

“Cyclotron” with synchrotron size magnets.



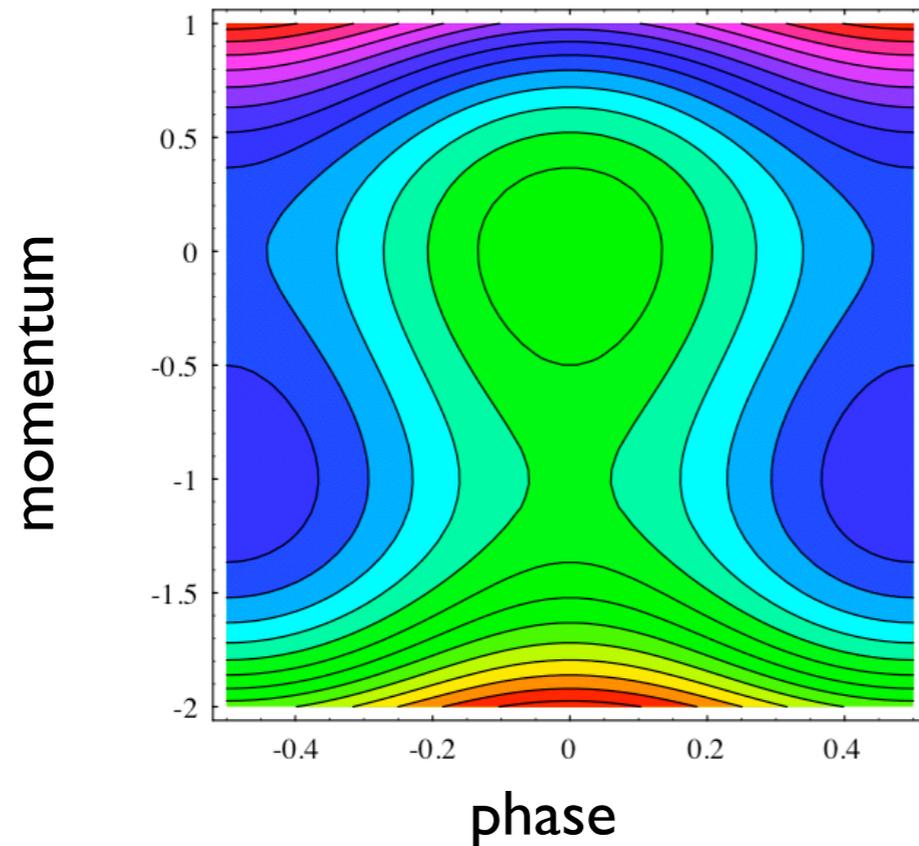
Very small orbit excursion can be realised by very small dispersion function lattice.

Optics is stable.

# What we learned (2)

*almost isochronous lattice*

For ultra-relativistic particles, small orbit excursion makes the lattice almost isochronous.



Fixed frequency rf can be used for acceleration within a short time period.

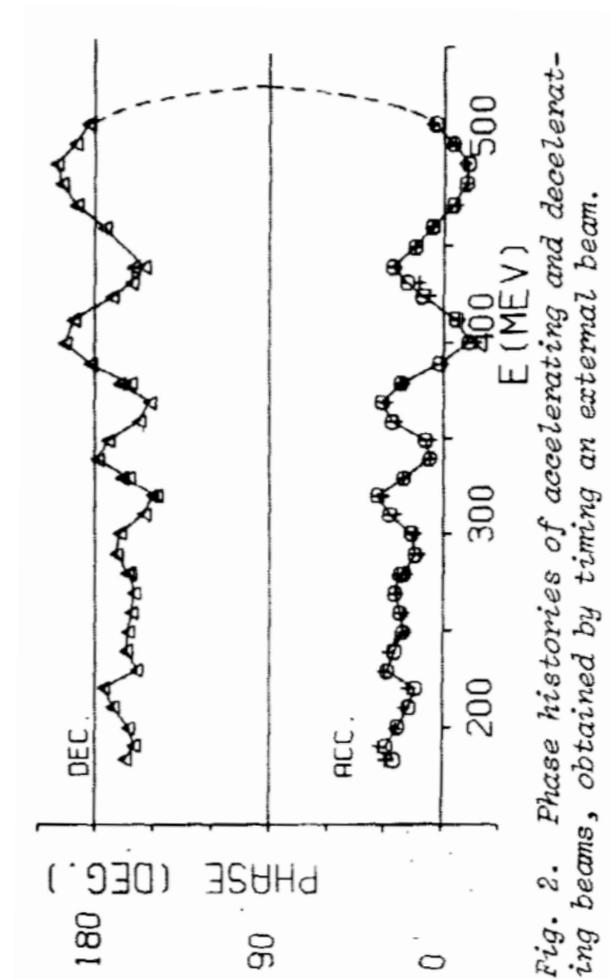


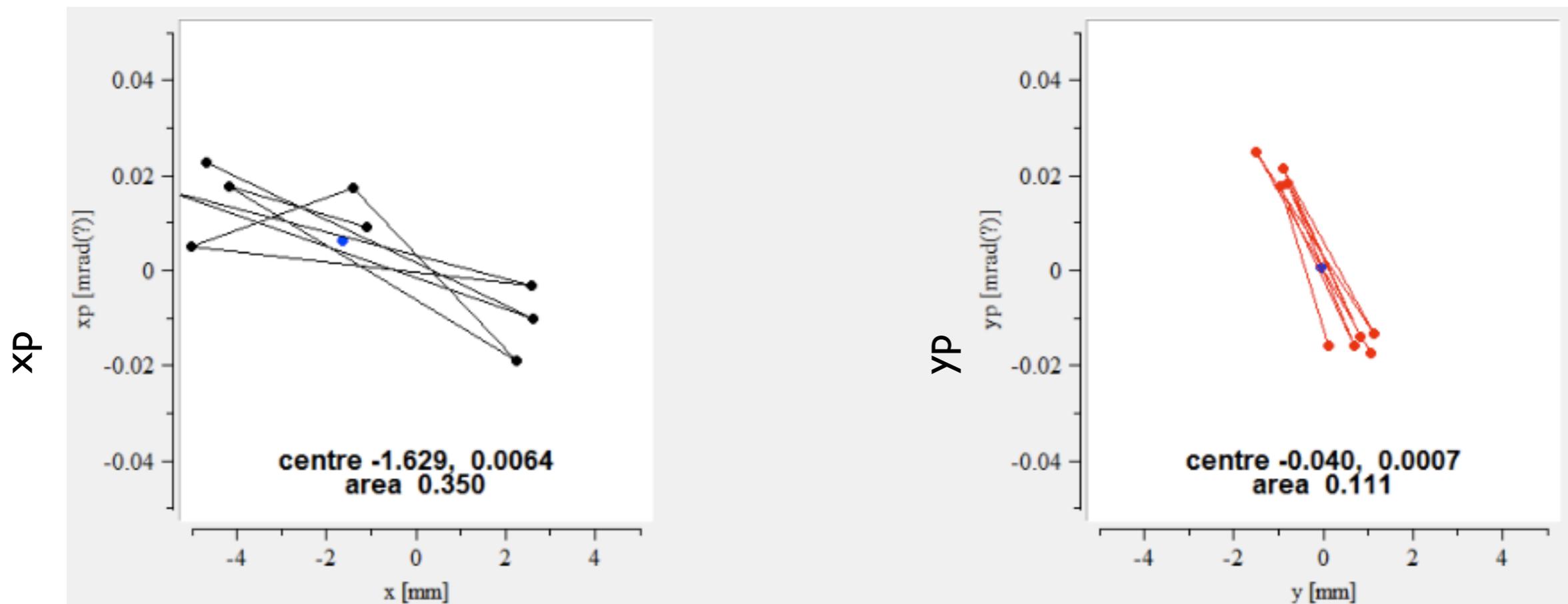
Fig. 2. Phase histories of accelerating and decelerating beams, obtained by timing an external beam.

Dynamics is very similar to longitudinal motion in a nearly isochronous cyclotron. (by Craddock)

# What we learned (3a)

*large acceptance*

Very strong focusing lattice gives huge physical acceptance, more than  $1000 \pi \text{ mm mrad}$  (normalized).



x

y

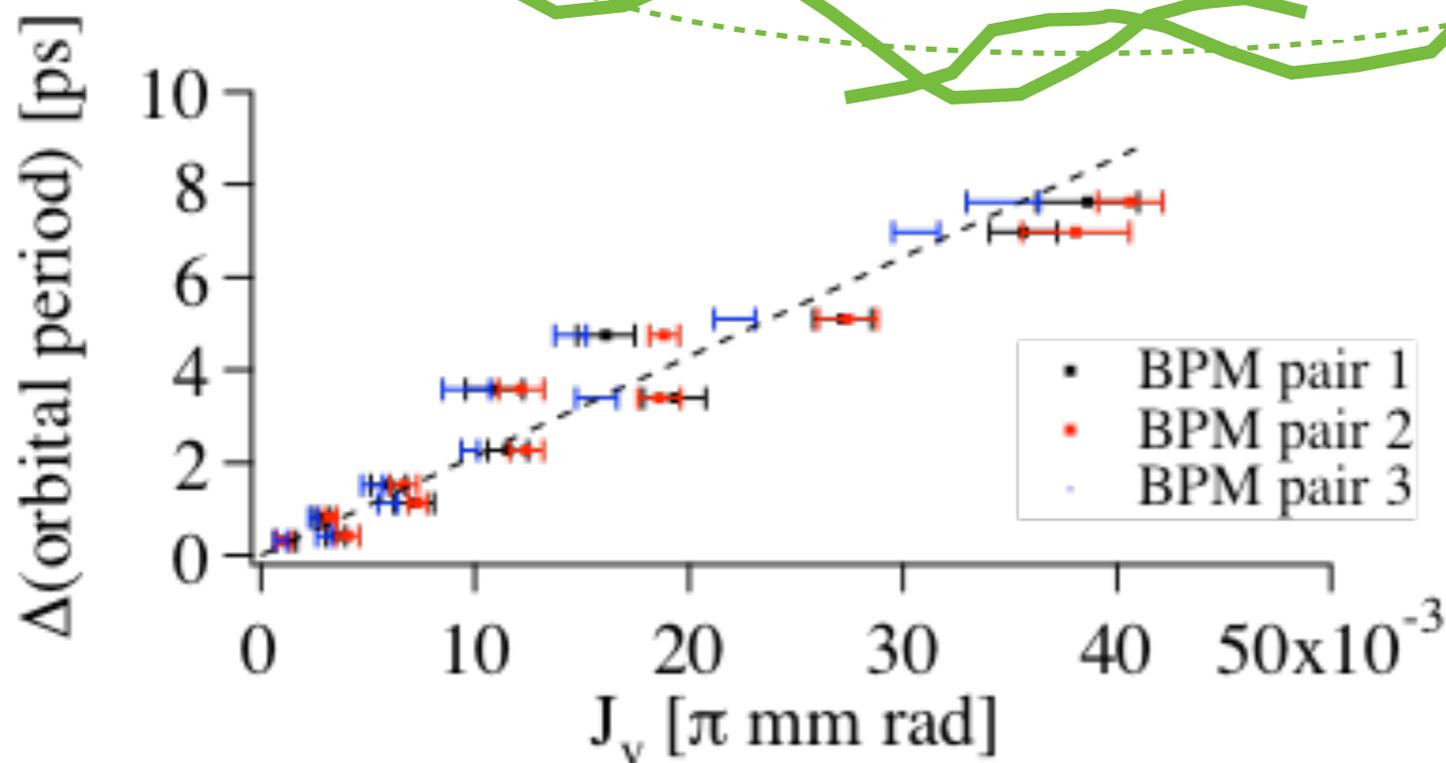
# What we learned (3b)

*amplitude dependent orbital period*

Large transverse amplitude particles circulate slower without chromaticity correction.

betatron oscillation around a ring

Large amplitude particle follow the longer path.



Shift of orbital period linearly depends on action (single particle emittance).

# What we learned (4)

*orbit correction*

Orbit correction algorithm similar to that of synchrotron could be applied and reduced COD indeed.

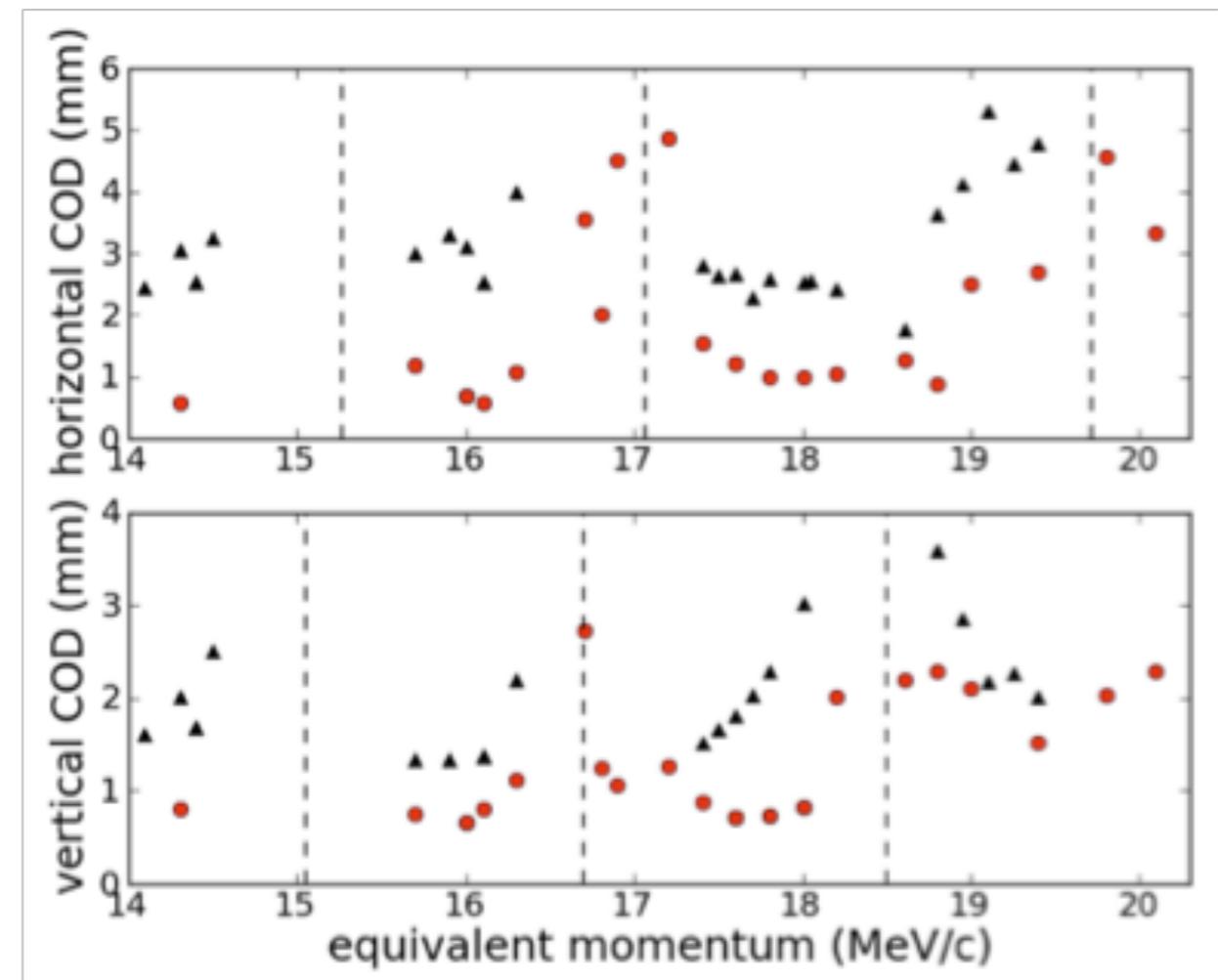
$$\begin{matrix} n_m \times n_c & n_c \times 1 & & n_m \times 1 \\ [A] & [c] & = & - [m] \end{matrix}$$

Synchrotron

$$\begin{matrix} p \times n_m \times n_c & n_c \times 1 & & p \times n_m \times 1 \\ \begin{bmatrix} A_{p1} \\ A_{p2} \\ \dots \\ A_{pf} \end{bmatrix} & [c] & = & - \begin{bmatrix} m_{p1} \\ m_{p2} \\ \dots \\ m_{pf} \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

LNS  
FFAG

$A$  : response matrix  
 $c$  : corrector strength  
 $m$  : COD measurement

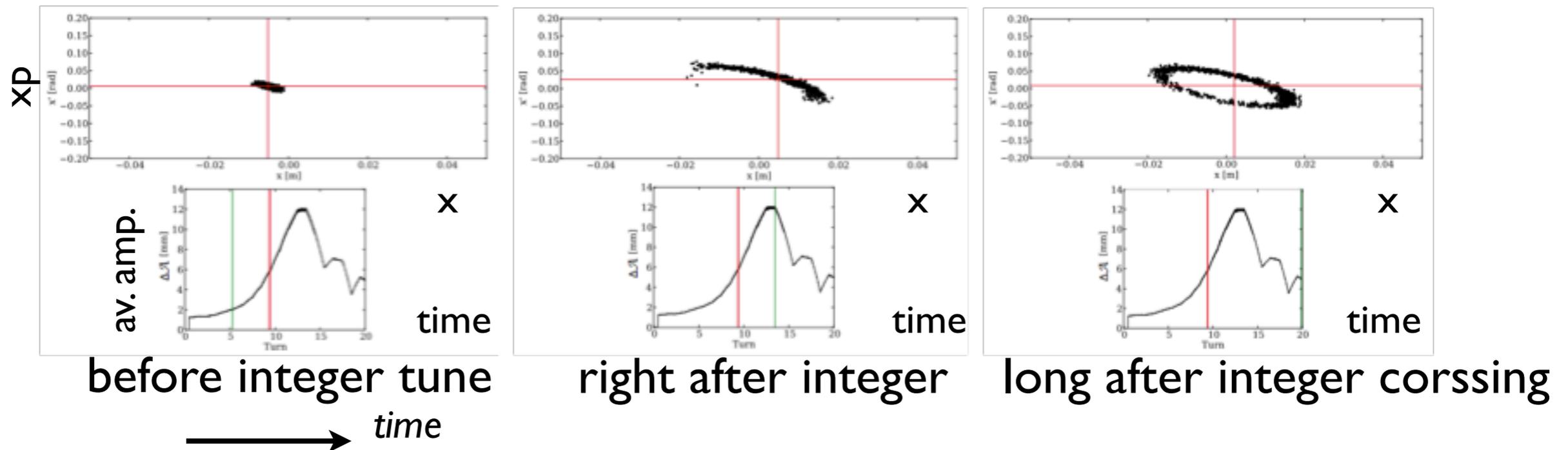


COD before (black) and after (red) correction based on response matrix measured at 14.3, 16.1 and 18.0 MeV/c and solve  $C$  by SVD.

# What we learned (5)

*integer tune crossing*

Integer tune crossing itself is not harmful. It only excites coherent motion, not emittance growth.



Natural chromaticity with finite momentum spread causes decoherence and emittance growth.

This is not the case in cyclotrons.

# What we learned (6)

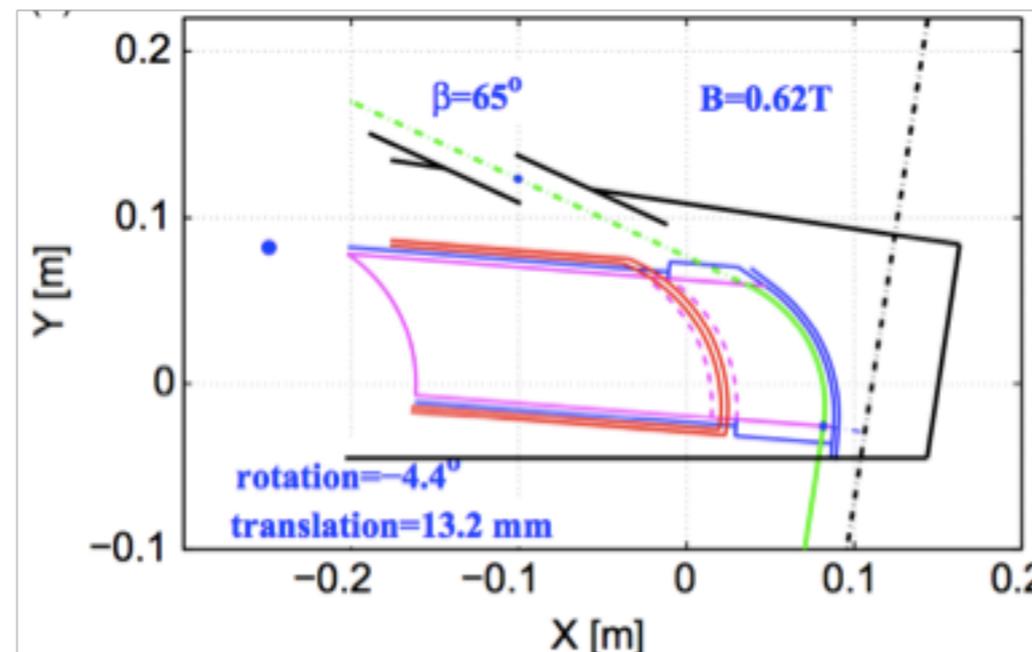
## *injection and extraction*

Need compromise between small orbit excursion and long enough straight for injection and extraction.

EMMA may stress too much on small dispersion.



- Designs facilitating inj/ext have been found.
- Large angle septum



65 degree  
septum

- Insertion or superperiod

# What we learned (7)

*phase of 19 rf cavities*

- Adjusting rf phase of 19 cavities is relatively harder because of high rf frequency of 1.3 GHz compared with more conventional frequency for cyclotron like a few 10 MHz.

# What we learned (8)

## *beam position monitor*

- The size of beam chamber is about the same as that of synchrotrons and the same type of Beam Position Monitor could be used. However, beam orbit is far off-centre by design. Accuracy and sensitivity in the entire area need to be assured.
- When the beam goes near the aperture limit, BPM does not detect beam signal.

# What we learned (9)

*matching at injection*

- No diagnostics to detect **orbit mismatch** at injection.
- No diagnostics to detect **optical mismatch** at injection.
- YAG screen is the only device to see the beam profile.
- Are profile monitors with multi-wire helpful?

# What we learned (10)

## *injection line*

- Orbit and optics from the injection line to the injection system (septum and kickers) are not clearly understood.
- There seems to be considerable alignment errors which induces orbit mismatch.
- Orbit in septum region is not well understood.

# What we learned (11)

## *injection energy*

- It is still difficult to inject below 12.5 MeV/c.
- It is not clear whether it is a dynamic aperture problem or simply we cannot steer the beam on to the closed orbit.
  - I have succeeded in once before realignment of the all magnets.
  - This probably suggests that the problem is simply the lack of control.

**Next step and possible  
minor improvements**

# Continuation proposal

*hopefully beam time will be available for the next two years*

- Identify the source of vertical COD and establish COD correction in both planes (harmonic correction).
- Aperture survey with acceleration.
- Measurement of nonlinear map experimentally.
- Explore optimised muon lattice configuration, namely QD/QF strength and position.
- Measure phase rotation with different longitudinal and transverse oscillation amplitudes (for PRISM).
- Pulse by pulse extraction with different momentum.

# Improvements (1)

*simulation around injection system*

- Alignment of septum and matching with injection line.
- Tracking in the septum region with **calculated or measured 2(3)D fields** gives more accurate orbit and optics matching around the region.

# Improvements (2)

*injection line*

- Rearrange the injection line to ease proper orbit control and optics matching at injection.
- Relocation or addition of beam position monitor at injection line.
  - Modelling of the injection system earlier discussed is the key to do this.
- Hopefully, injection below 12.5 MeV/c becomes easy.

# Improvements (3)

*beam position monitor*

- Is there any quick fix to widen the detection area of BPM?
- Could it detect beam position with less charge?
- Electronics of BPM has to be discussed.

# Improvements (4)

*beam profile measurement*

- Multiple beam profile monitors with proper phase advance is an option to ensure optics matching.
- Is there any other (cheap) way to make optics matching?
  - How it has been done in a cyclotron?

# Improvements (5)

## *Online modelling with realistic fields*

- Online modelling with 3D field (Zgoubi) of the whole ring (not hard edge model) will be nice.
- We should use it in parallel with beam study.

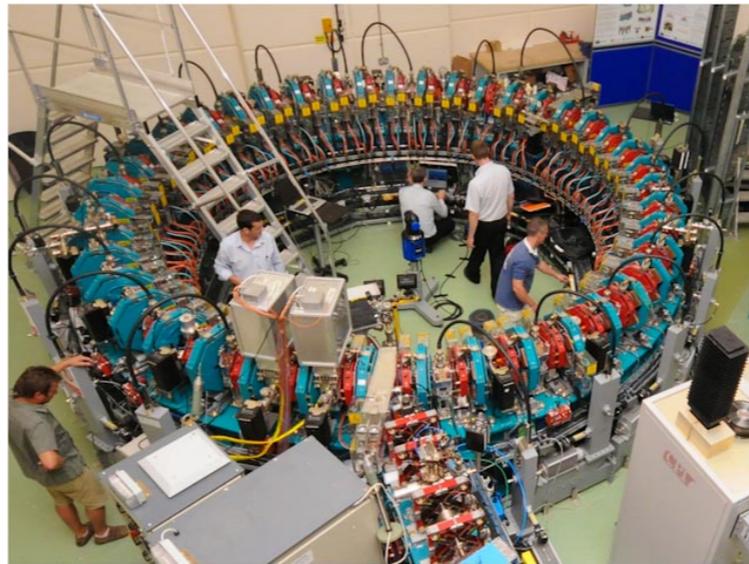
# Summary

Good compromise between small dispersion and long straight

Much smaller magnets.  
“Cyclotron with synchrotron size magnets.”

Resonance can be crossed during acceleration.

Much faster decoherence due to large chromaticity and more momentum spread.



Almost isochronous so that fixed frequency rf system.

Same technique to restore ideal orbit as synchrotrons.

Huge acceptance.  
Orbital period depends on transverse amplitude.