

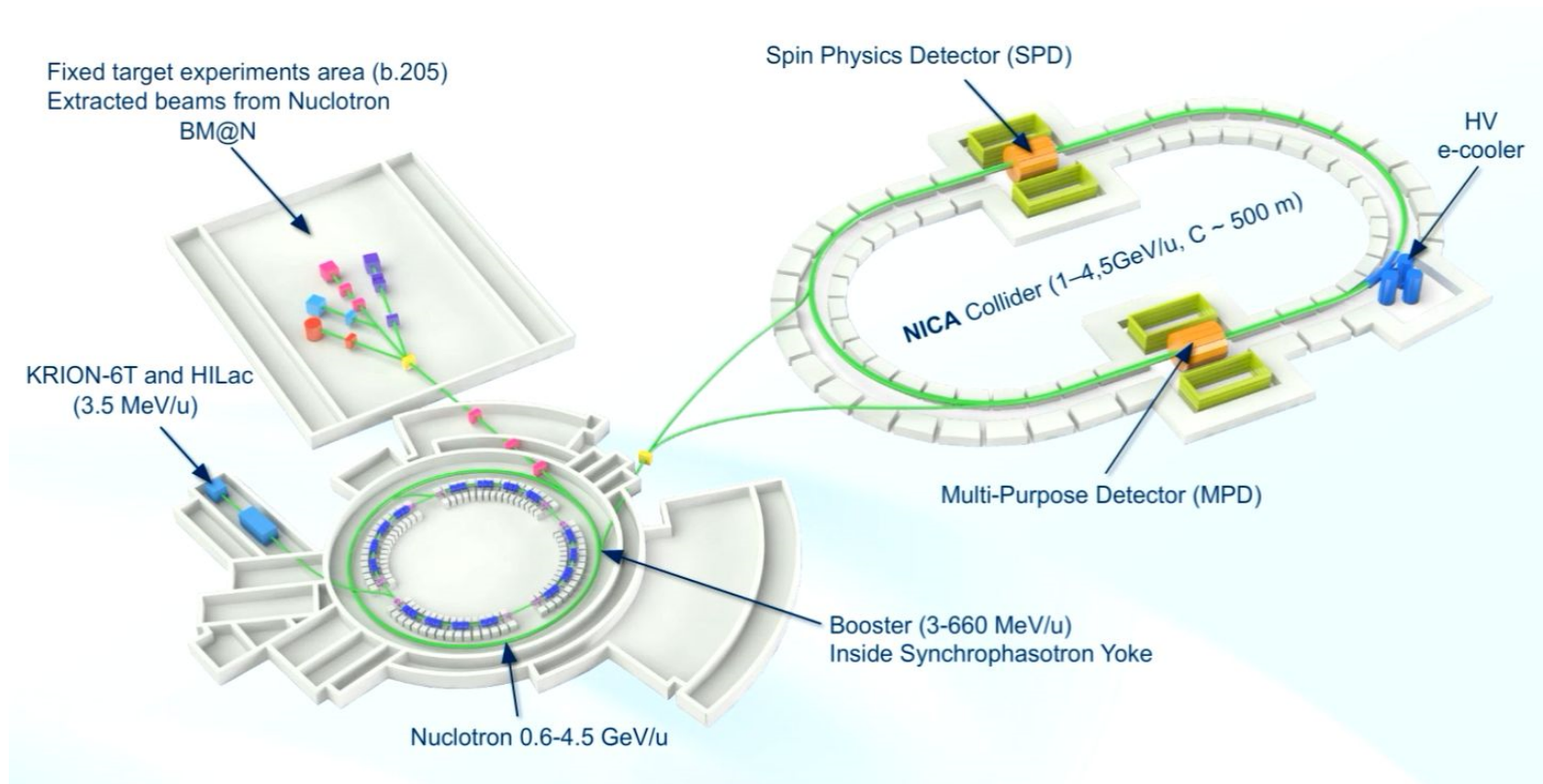
# Stochastic cooling experiments at Nuclotron and application to NICA collider

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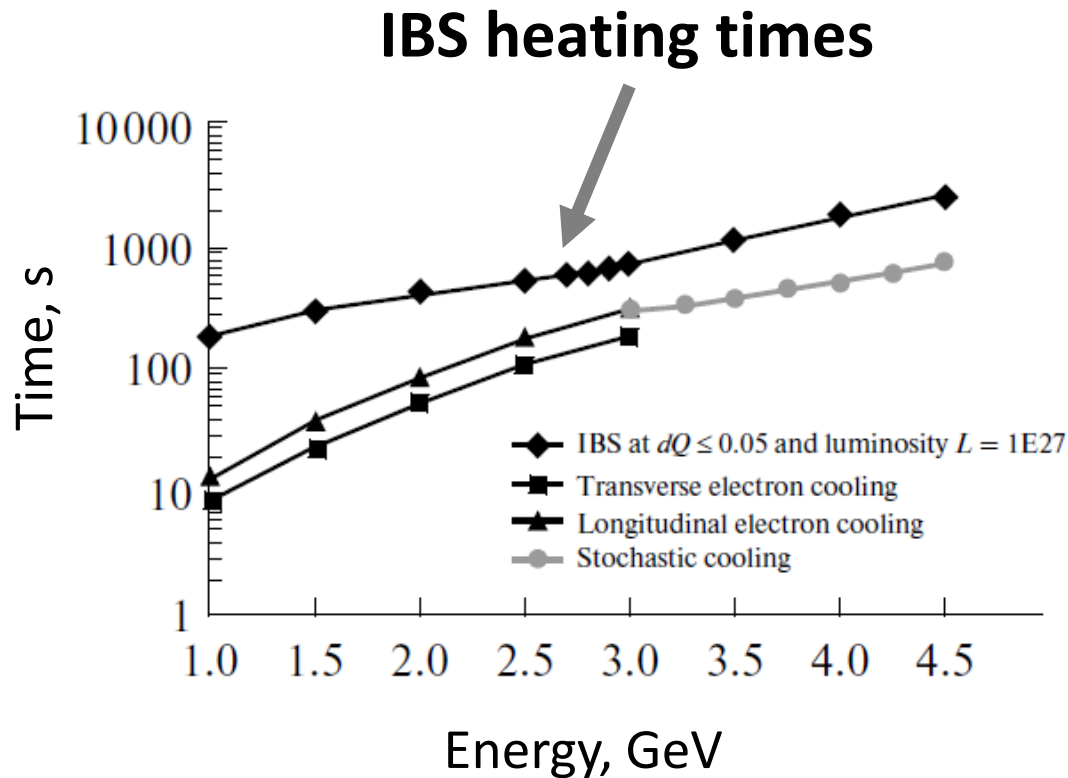
# NICA facility



**Stochastic cooling is required for:**

- ☐ Beam accumulation  
Low intensity
- ☐ IBS counteraction  
3D bunched beam cooling

# Challenge



$$\tau_{IBS} \approx 200 \text{ s}, \quad (1 \text{ GeV} / u)$$

$$\tau_{IBS} \approx 700 \text{ s}, \quad (3 \text{ GeV} / u)$$

$$\tau_{IBS} \approx 2000 \text{ s}, \quad (4.5 \text{ GeV} / u)$$

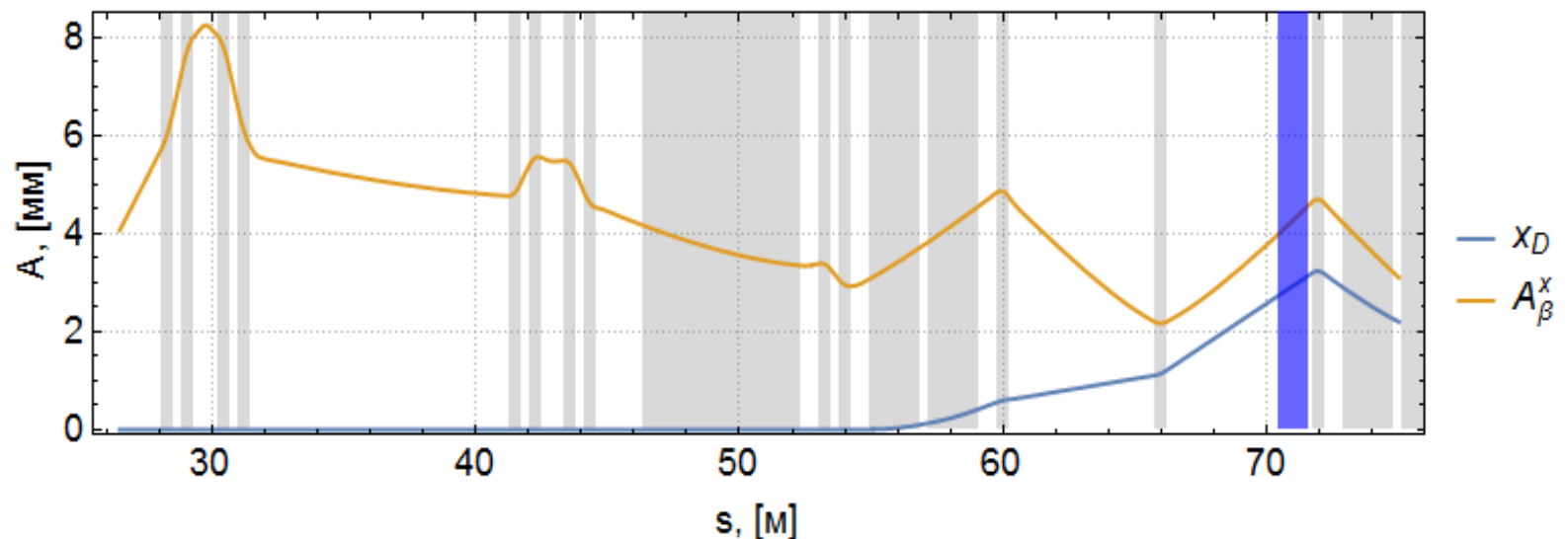
**Tasks:**  
for stochastic cooling

- ☐ Cool faster than IBS-heating
- ☐ Cover widest possible energy range  
At low energies slip-factors become large  
and momentum spread acceptance is reduced

# Longitudinal cooling

**ToF** Widest momentum spread acceptance  
but wide spread needed  
Cooling for  $> 3.0$  GeV/n

**Palmer** Low dispersion + betatron signal of same order  
Cooling for  $> 3.0$  GeV/n



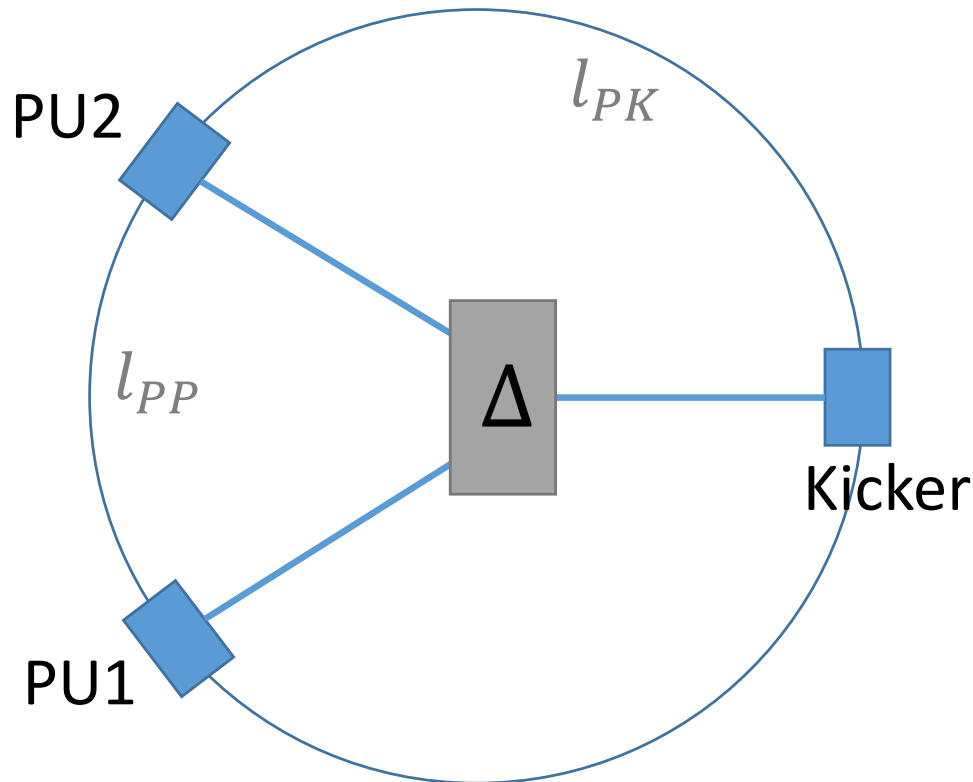
**Filter** Cooling only for  $> 4.0$  GeV/n

# Möhl's method

## IDEA:

$$\text{Correction} \sim PU_{\Sigma}^1 - PU_{\Sigma}^2$$

Correction signal is proportional to the difference of signals from 2 spaced longitudinal pick-ups



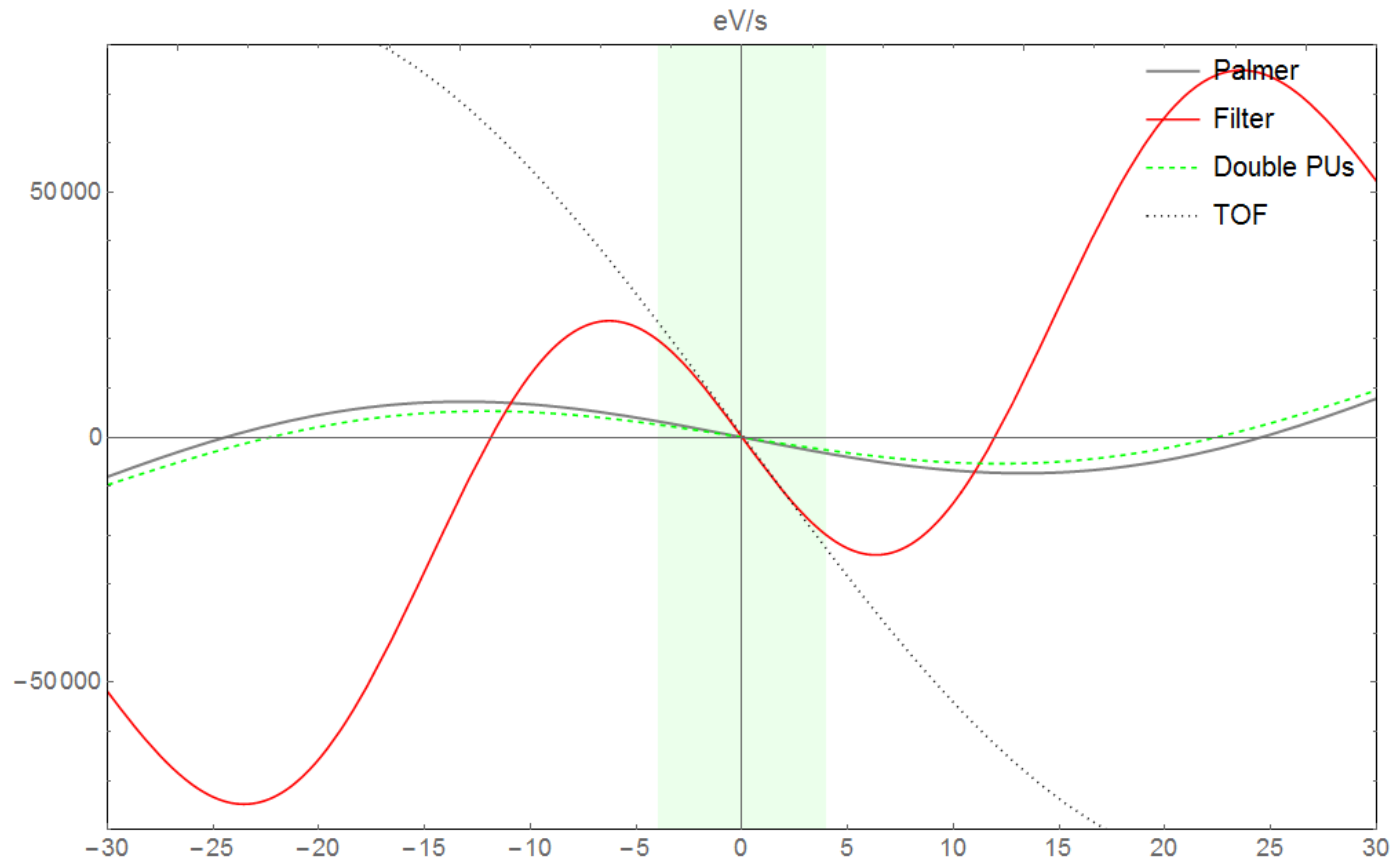
Momentum spread acceptance is proportional to the distance between pick-ups ( $l_{PP}$ ):

$$\left(\frac{\Delta p}{p}\right)_{Max} \sim l_{PP}$$

$$l_{PP} = 0 \rightarrow \text{Palmer}$$

$$l_{PP} = \text{ring length} \rightarrow \text{Filter}$$

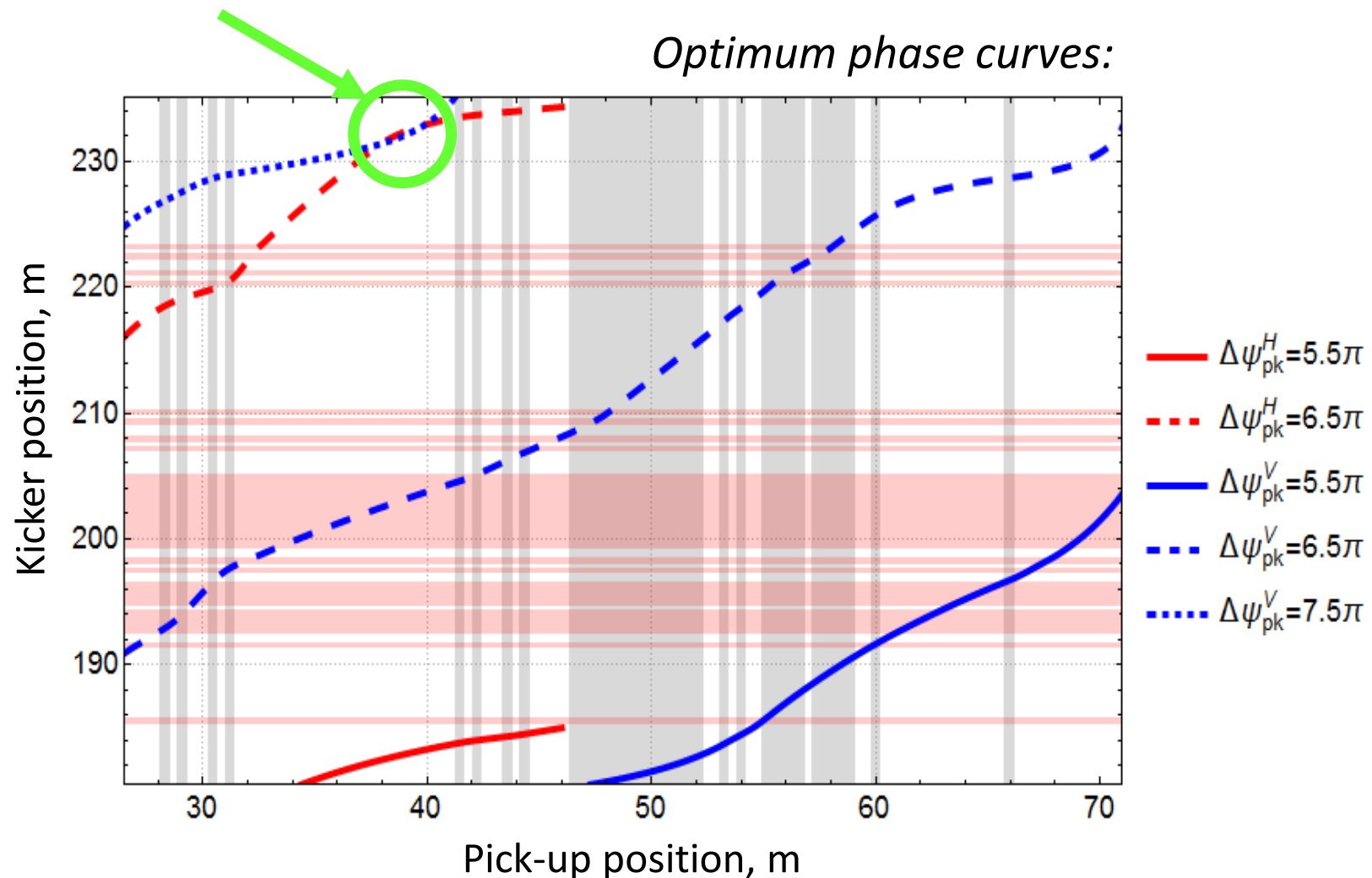
# Momentum acceptance comparison



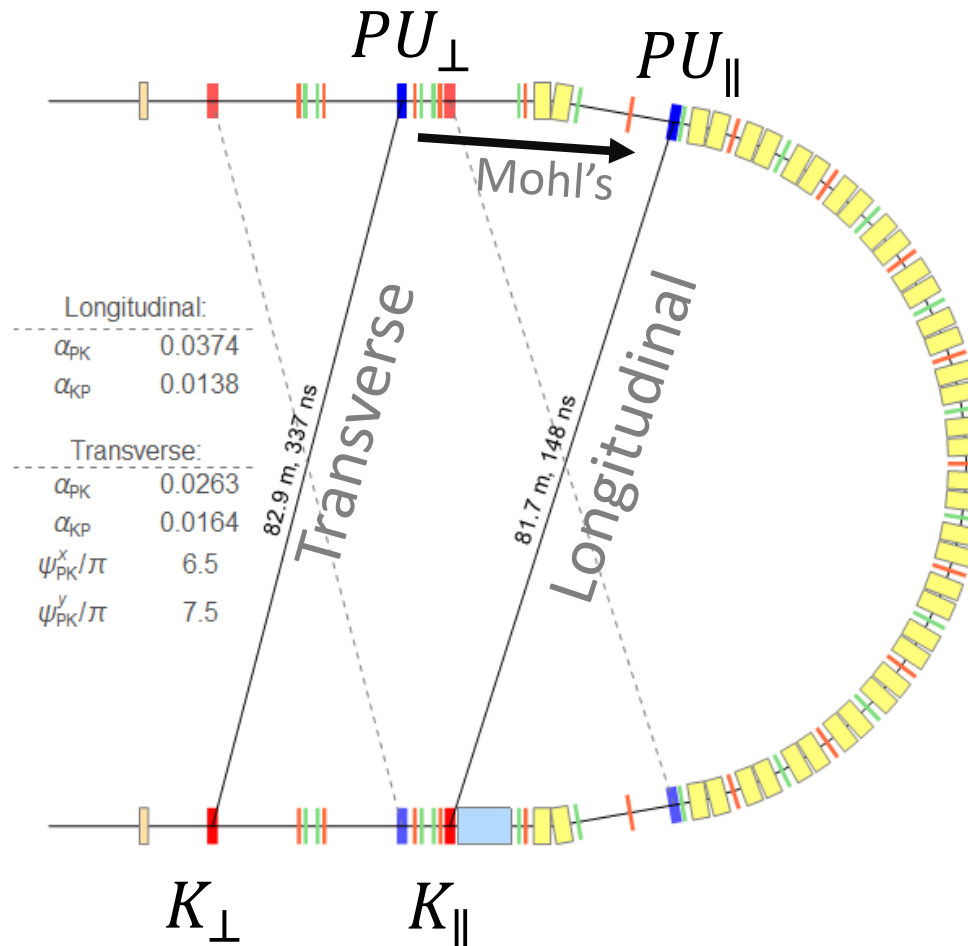
Mohl's method allows to cover entire  
IBS-dominated regime **3-4.5 GeV/u**

# Transverse cooling

“Merged” transverse systems are preferred  
(i.e. using same PU and KK)



# Proposal for NICA



Bandwidth: 2-4 GHz  
 Energies: 3-4.5 GeV/u  
 Amp. Power: < kW

## NICA start version:

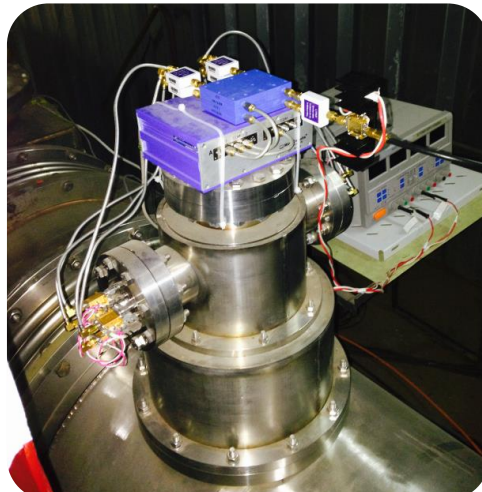
- ☐ Only longitudinal cooling at fixed energy
- ☐ 200W TWT amplifiers from FNAL



# Stochastic cooling at Nuclotron



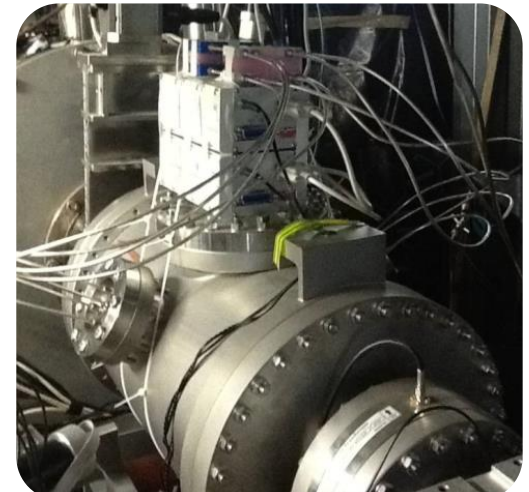
Ring-slot coupler  
(FZJ)



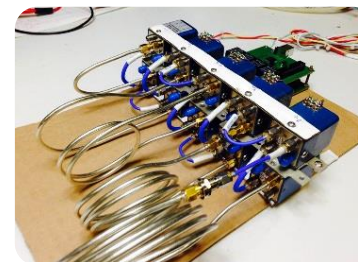
PU electronics



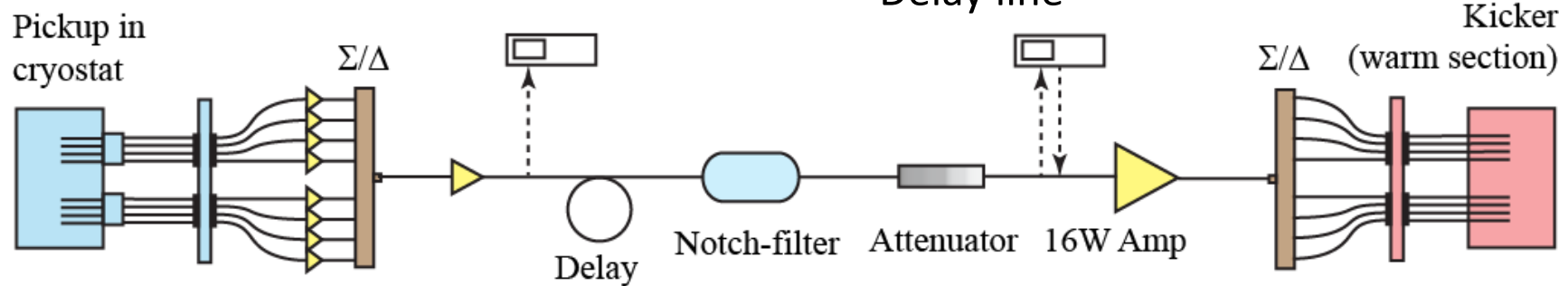
Notch-filter



KK electronics

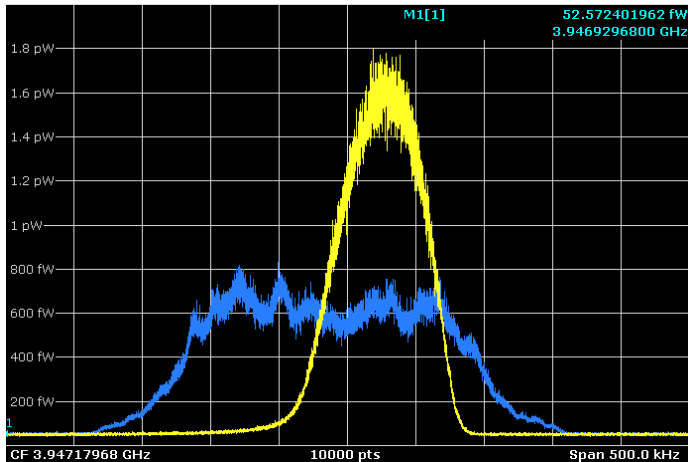


Delay line

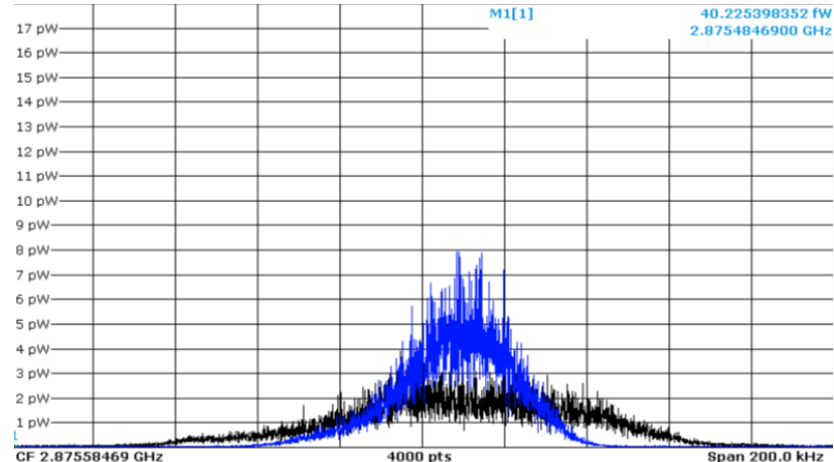


Longitudinal (notch-filter), 2-4GHz, 60W:

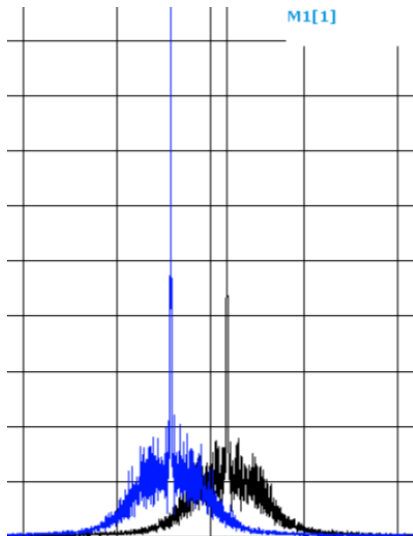
# Experimental results



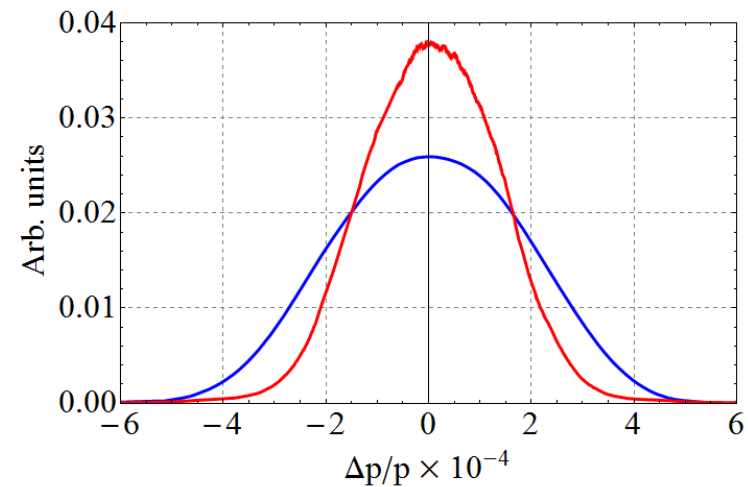
$2 \times 10^9$  D<sup>+</sup>, 17W amplifier  
 $\tau_0 = 480s$



$2 \times 10^8$  C<sup>6+</sup>, 60W amplifier  
 $\tau_0 = 28s$



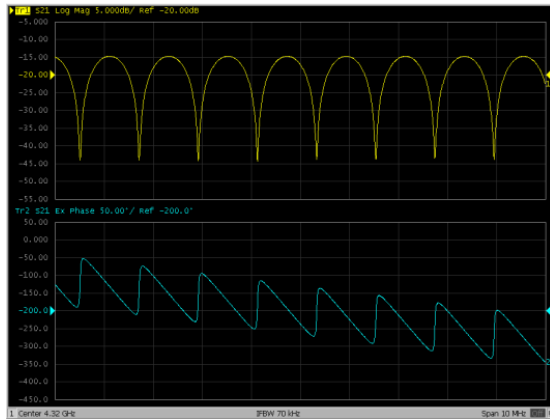
Bunched-beam Schottky



$2 \times 10^8$  C<sup>6+</sup>, 60W amplifier, 2.5 bunches  
 $\tau_0 = 64s$

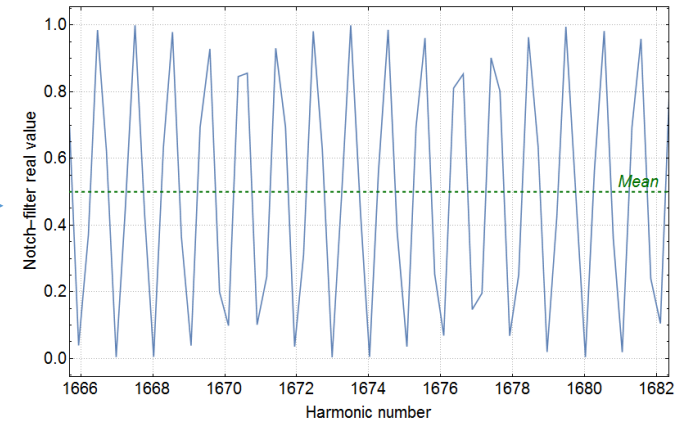
# “Magic” button

## ❑ Notch-filter



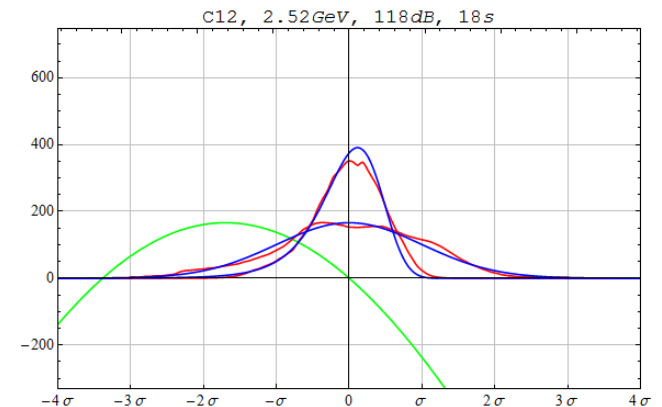
Automatic notch-filter adjustment

*From hours to  
seconds*



## ❑ Open-loop measurements

## ❑ Self-adjustment by feedback via parallel “simulations” (Analysis of distribution evolution patterns)



# Conclusion

- Mohl's method was investigated and proposed for the collider
- TDR of stochastic cooling system for NICA collider was worked out
- The prototype longitudinal notch-filter system was built and tested at Nuclotron
- A number of automation algorithms were developed

*Thank you!*