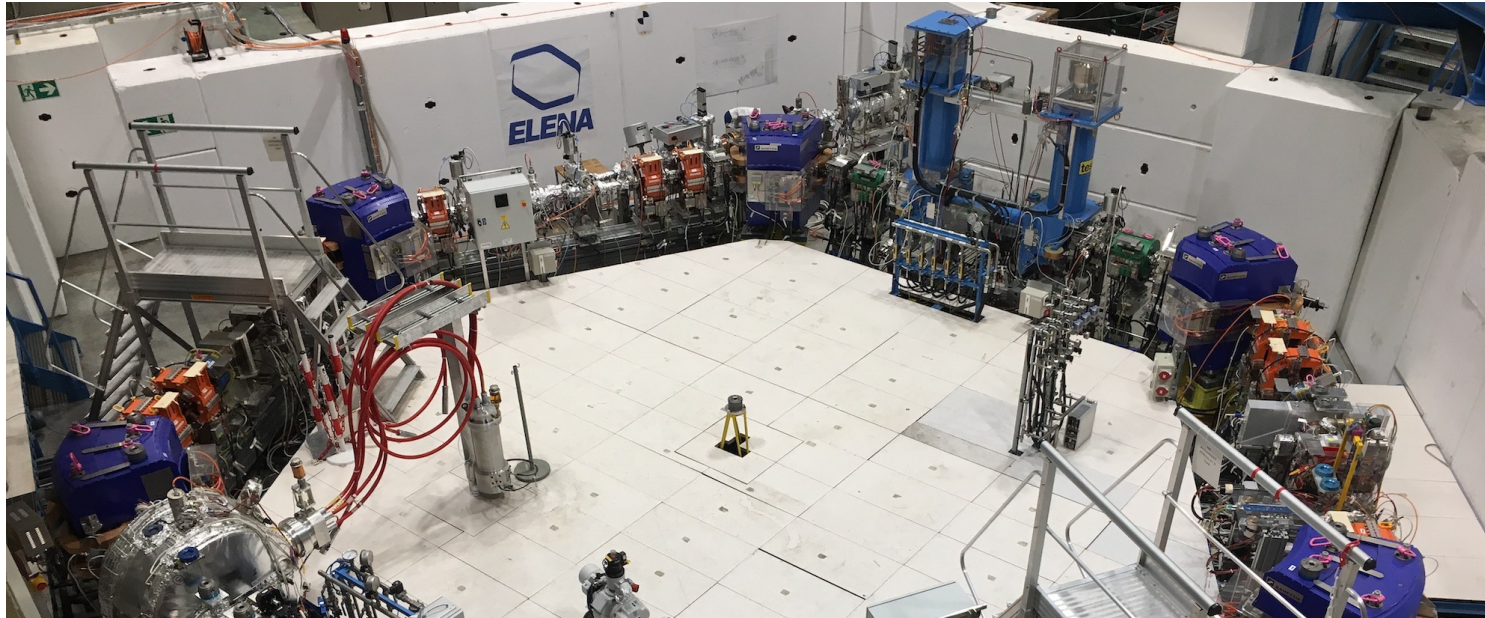


ELENA COMMISSIONING



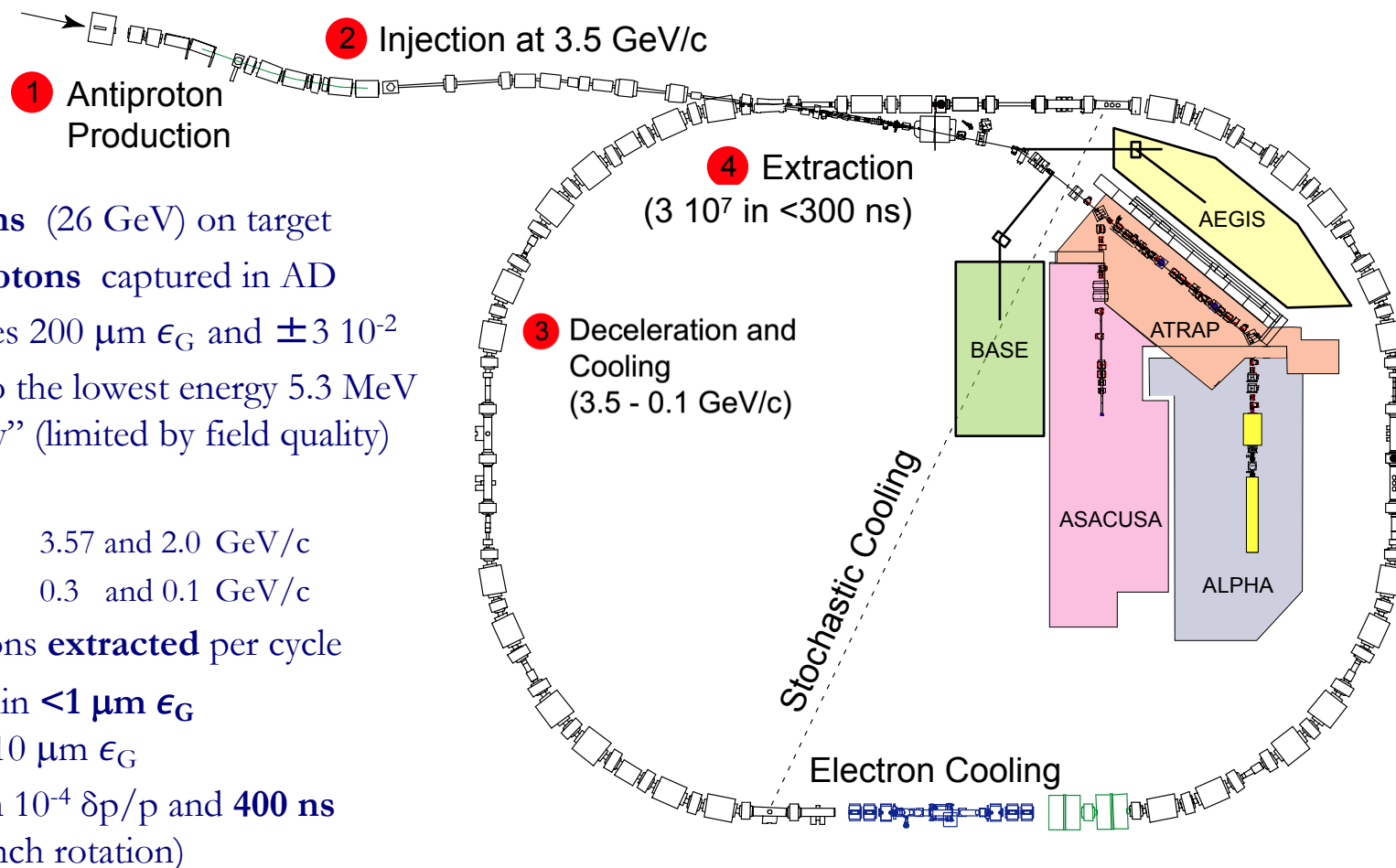
D. Gamba* on behalf of the AD/ELENA collaboration

COOL2019 – 25th Sep 2019



- From AD to ELENA: an **overview**
- Status of H^- , $pbar$, electron cooler commissioning
- **First beam extracted** to experiments (GBAR)
- **Current Activities and Plans for CERN Long Shutdown 2 (LS2)**

AD – a unique facility providing 5.3 MeV antiprotons



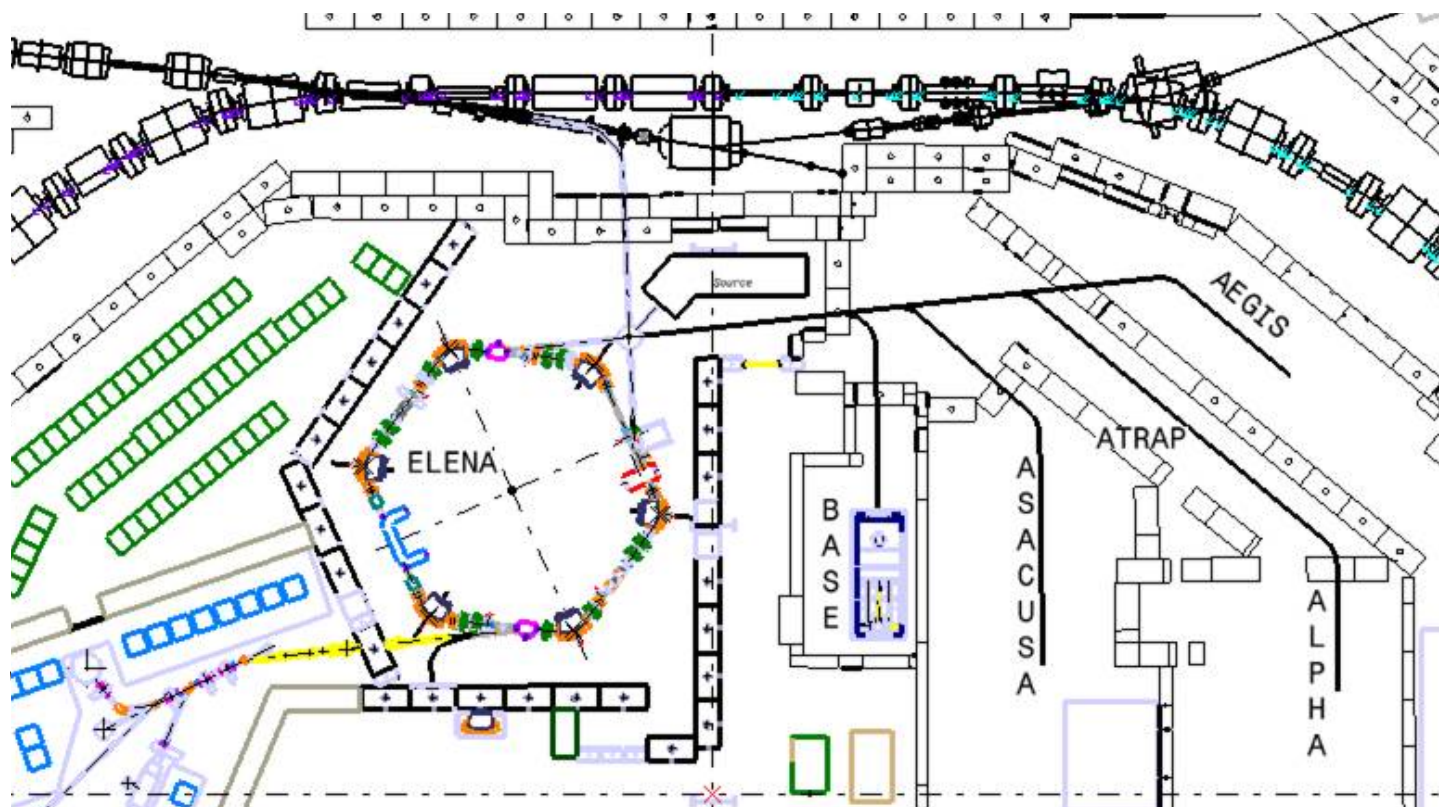
Sketch of the “present” AD
circumference 182 m

- $\sim 1.5 \cdot 10^{13}$ protons (26 GeV) on target
- $\sim 3.5 \cdot 10^7$ antiprotons captured in AD
 - Acceptances $200 \mu\text{m } \epsilon_G$ and $\pm 3 \cdot 10^{-2}$
- Deceleration to the lowest energy 5.3 MeV reachable “safely” (limited by field quality)
- Beam cooling
 - Stochastic 3.57 and 2.0 GeV/c
 - Electron 0.3 and 0.1 GeV/c
- $\sim 3 \cdot 10^7$ antiprotons extracted per cycle
 - $\sim 70\%$ within $<1 \mu\text{m } \epsilon_G$
tails up to $10 \mu\text{m } \epsilon_G$
 - 95% within $10^{-4} \delta p/p$ and 400 ns
(before bunch rotation)
- Vacuum pressure: $\sim 10^{-10}$ mbar
- Cycle length ~ 100 s

First ELENA proposal

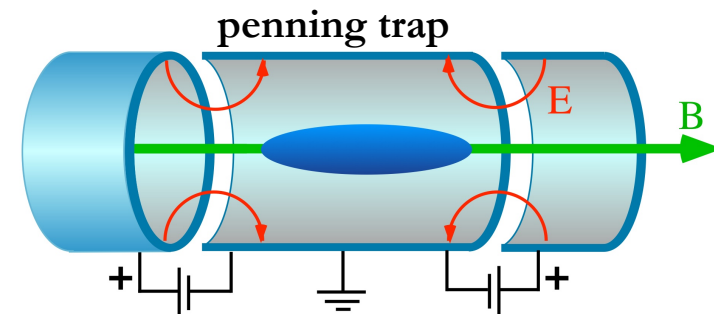
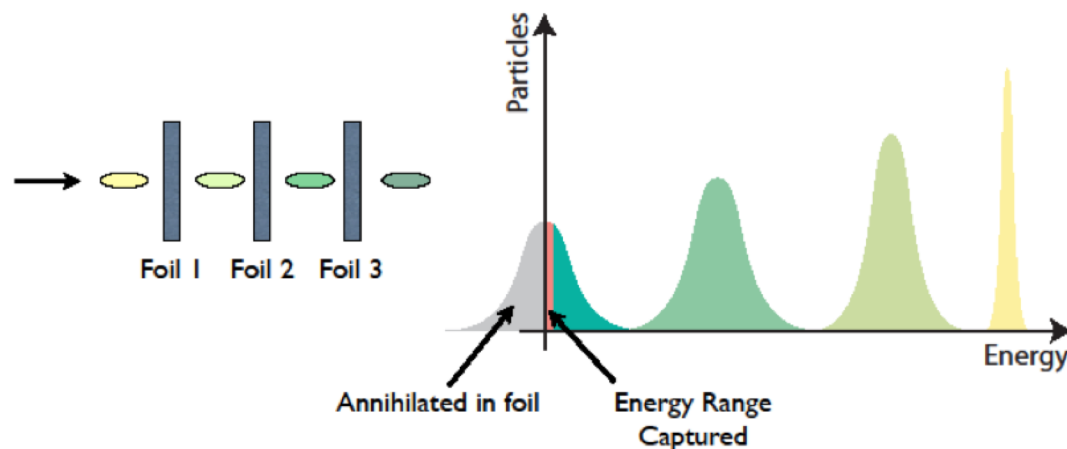


- Since Villars (Aug 2004) the SPSC has supported the implementation of the **ELENA** decelerator ring for AD
 - **Pbar deceleration down to 100 keV** to increase pbar trapping efficiency
 - (First ideas for such a ring for LEAR were proposed in 1982 - [CM-P00059041](#))
- **CERN Research Board approved construction in June 2011**



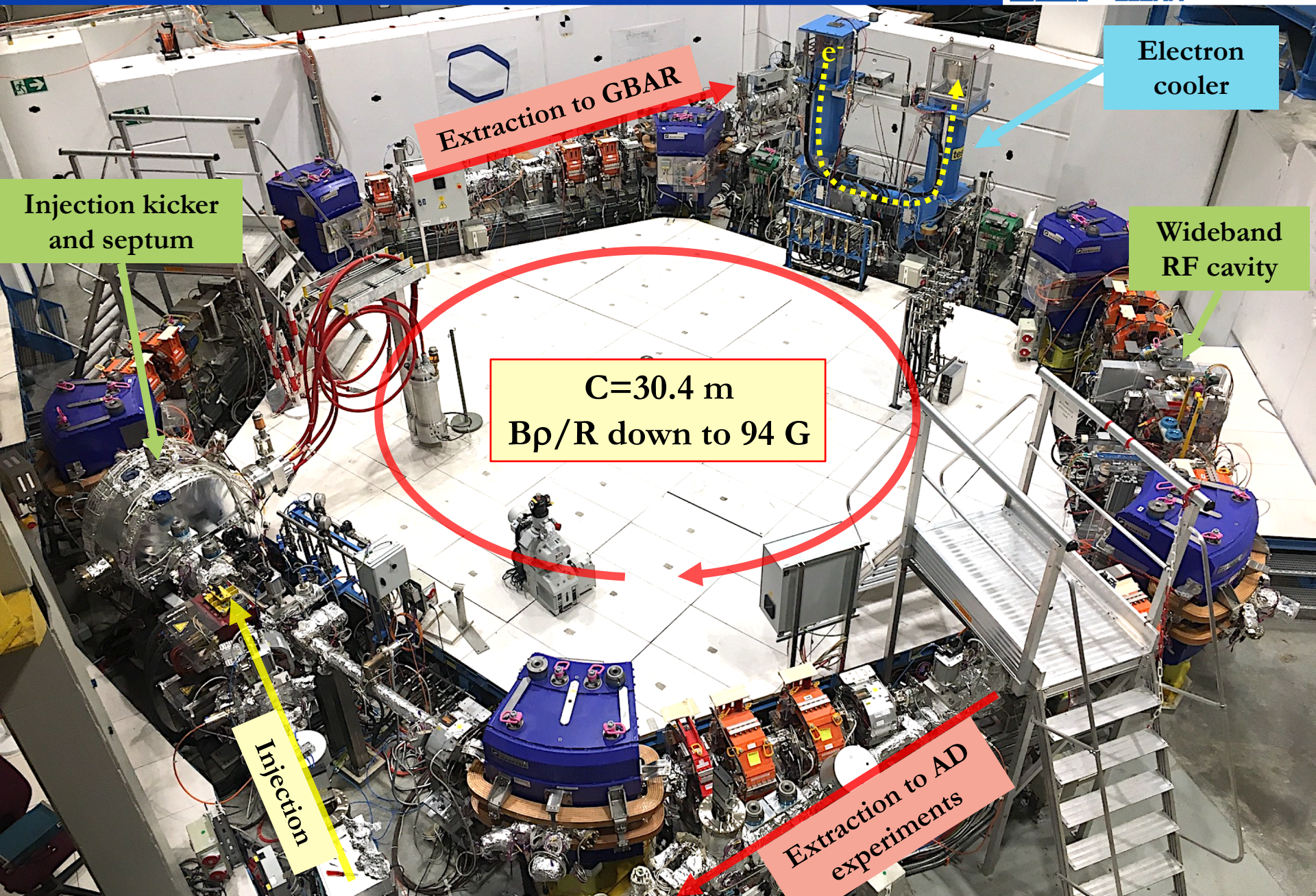
Why ELENA ?

= Extra Low ENergy Antiproton ring

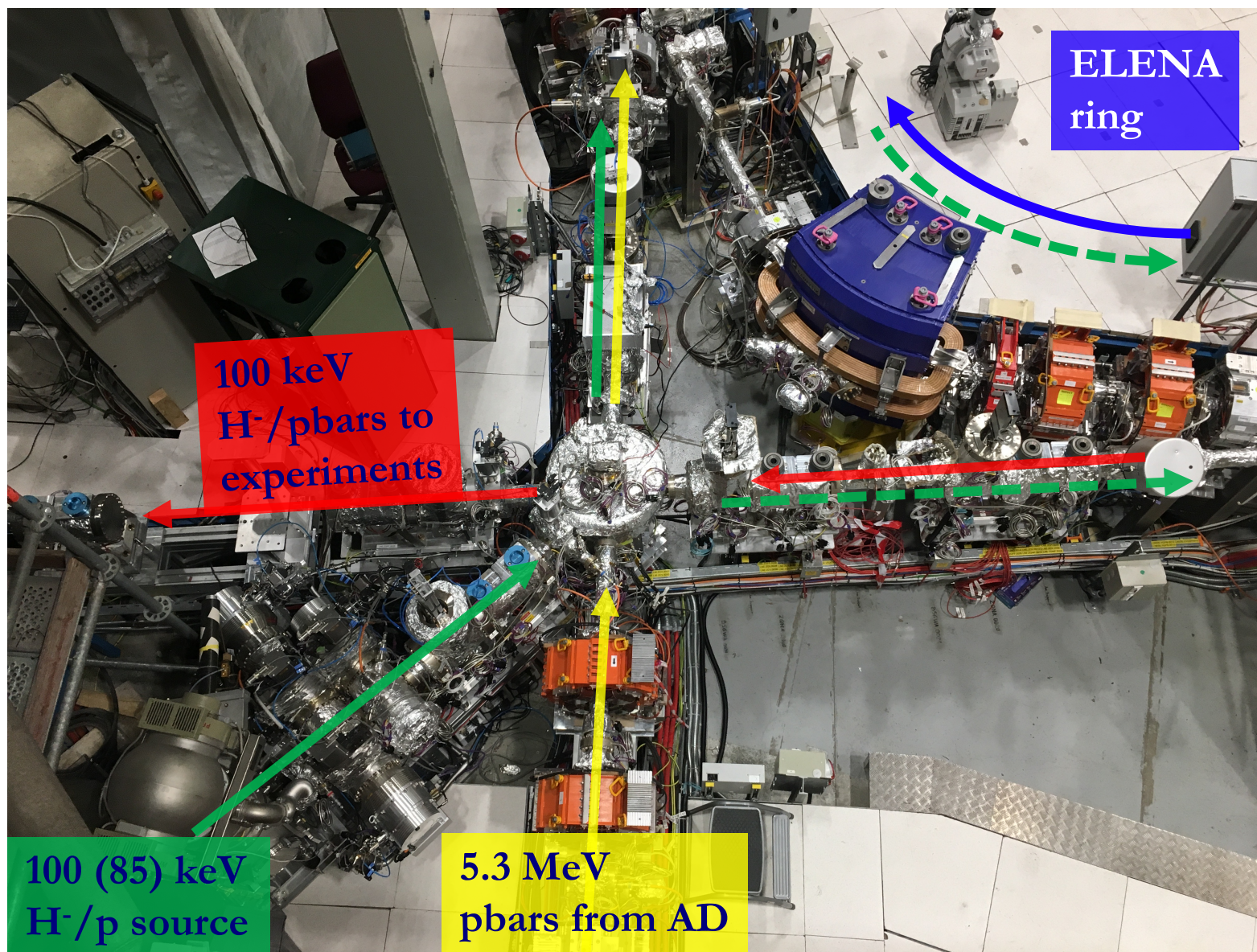


- To be able to **capture antiprotons in penning traps**, most experiments **use degrader foils** to further **decelerate** the **5.3 MeV** antiprotons coming from AD to a few keV.
- Energy straggling increases energy spread such that **only a few antiprotons can be captured (< 1%)**; even with optimized foil thickness
 - Almost **half of the incoming pbars** are **stopped in foil**, where they annihilate
 - Almost **half of the incoming pbars** are **too energetic** to be trapped
- **ASACUSA decelerates antiprotons** with an **RFQ**
 - they achieved about **one order of magnitude higher trapping efficiencies**
- **ELENA** will provide **100 keV antiprotons** (over 4 bunches => serving 4 experiments)
 - **Expected two order of magnitude higher trapping efficiency**
- Other requirements from experiments:
 - **Beam size** on foil small enough (rms size **<1 mm**); full **bunch length** less than **<300 ns**

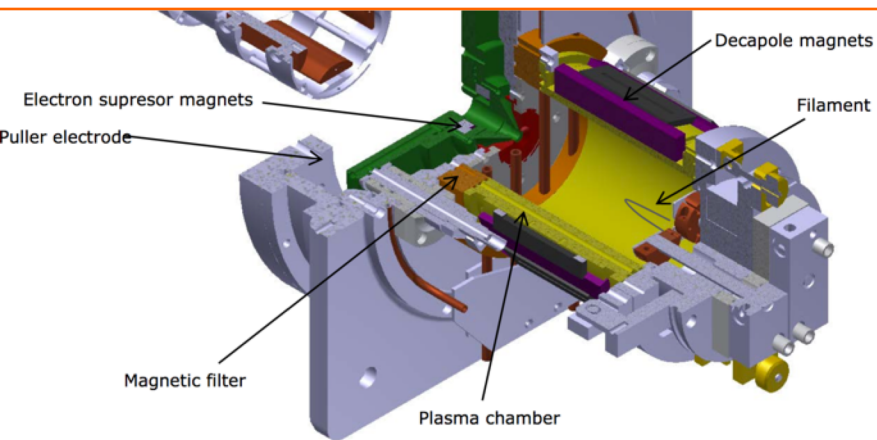
ELENA Ring – 2018



ELENA Injection/Extraction



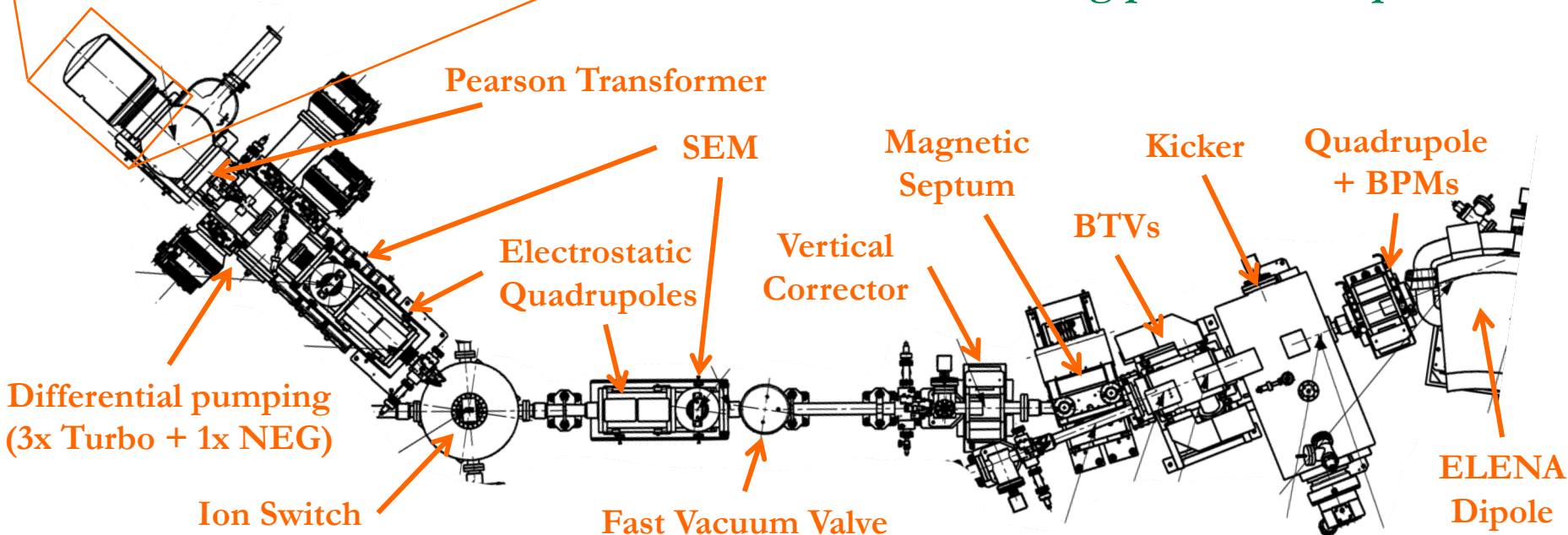
H⁻ (or p): from Source to Ring



Only DC Power Supplies control via PLC in Faraday Cage

Wish list:

- ~100 μA ; ~1 μs ; ~square pulses
 - Only 650 ns-long pulses injectable by kicker
- Good Stability/Repeatability
 - order ~1% for intensity and beam shape
 - order ~0.1% better for energy
- Aim: progress as much as possible without taking precious antiprotons



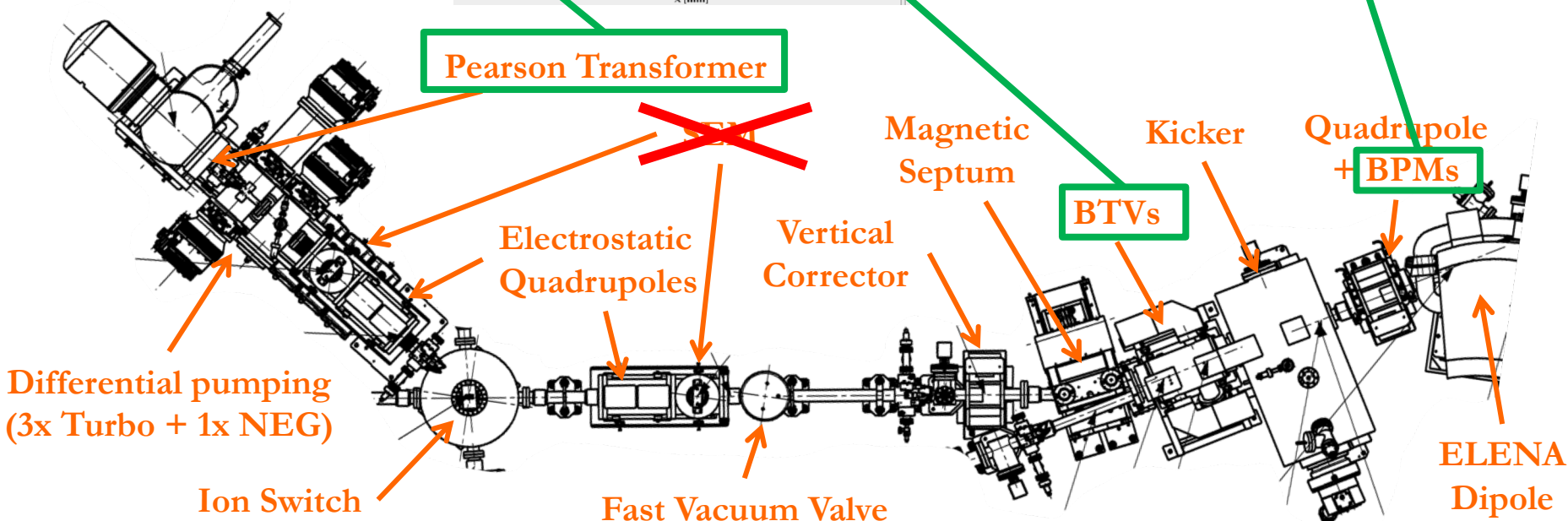
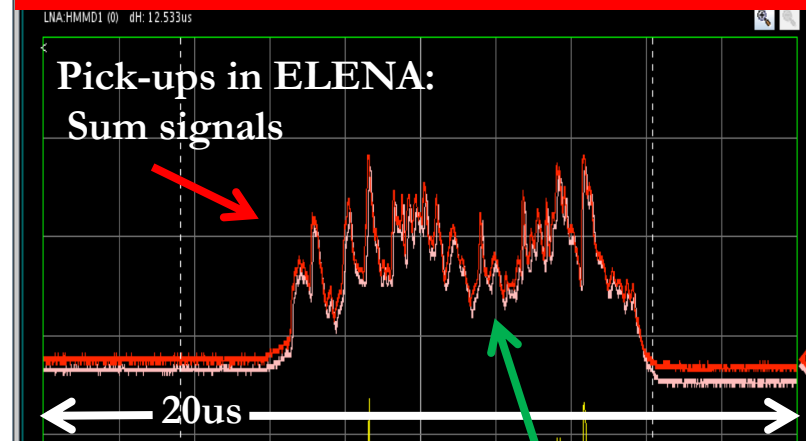
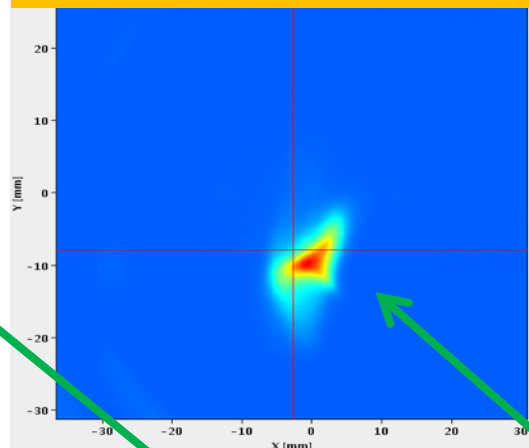
Beam observations



Possible to make
~100 uA beams @source

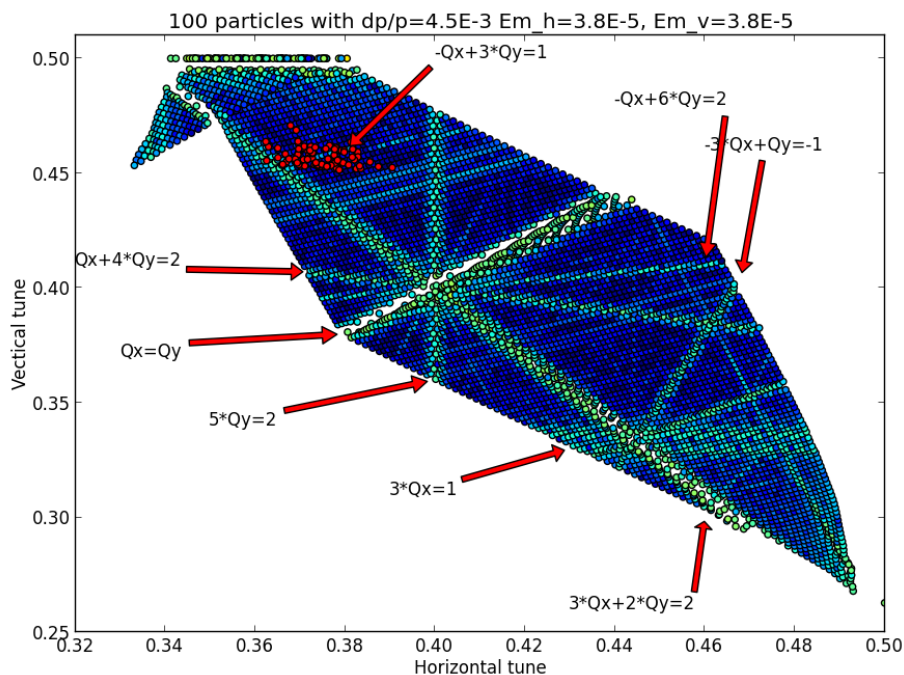
Poor pointing stability after
some time, sometimes

Shot-to-shot, Intra-pulse,
Intensity Instability in ELENA



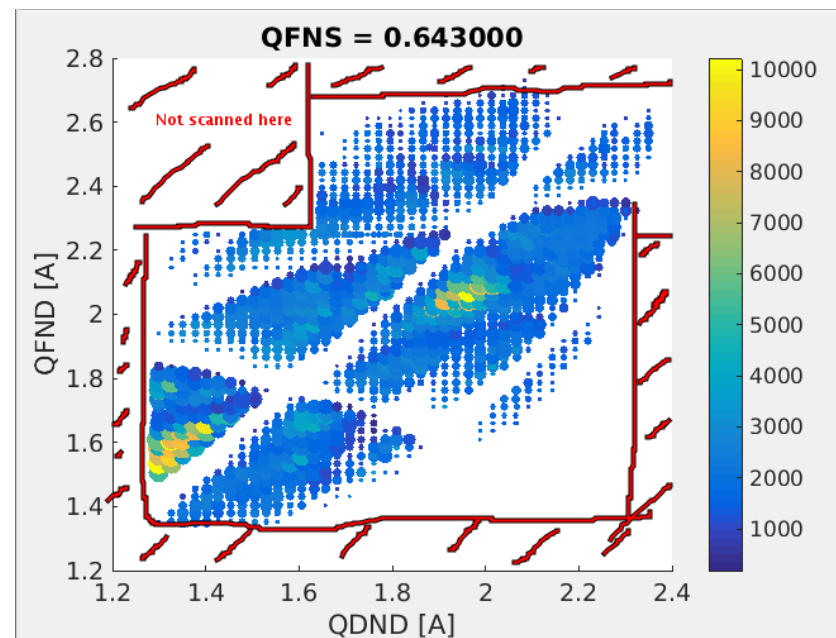
Simulations

- **Custom-made code** to study tune diagram by L. Bojtar
 - Detailed magnetic field map of full ring
- Machine model predicts **strong resonances**/small portion of tune diagram “available” for beam.

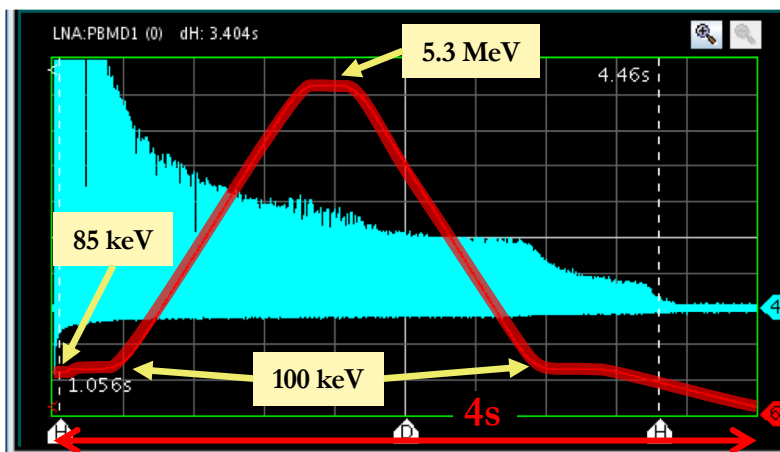


Measurements

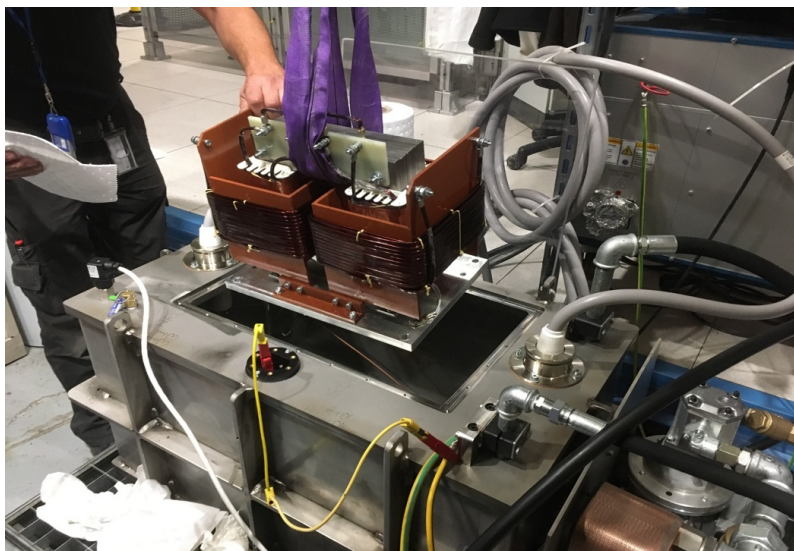
- Profiting of “fast” and “cheap” H- cycles to **explore tune diagram with beam**
- Here an example of **measured “lifetime”** as a function of different quadrupole settings at 85 keV
 - **Preliminary data analysis**



H- Status: a “full cycle”



- **Accelerating cycle:**
 - From 85 keV to 100 keV
 - From 100 keV to 5.3 MeV
 - Back to 100 keV.
- H⁻ also used for **GBAR** commissioning
 - **First experiment taking ELENA beam**
- H⁻ lifetime (~a few s) main limitation for long cycles, and/or e-cooling studies
 - Somewhat shorter than expectation from rest-gas interaction, but not too far...
- Unfortunately we had many **issues** with **HV insulation transformer**
- Only a few month operations in 2018 at 85 keV instead of nominal 100 keV
- H⁻ only used for sub-system (e.g. RF, timing) commissioning, ELENA optics, and transfer line to GBAR experiment.



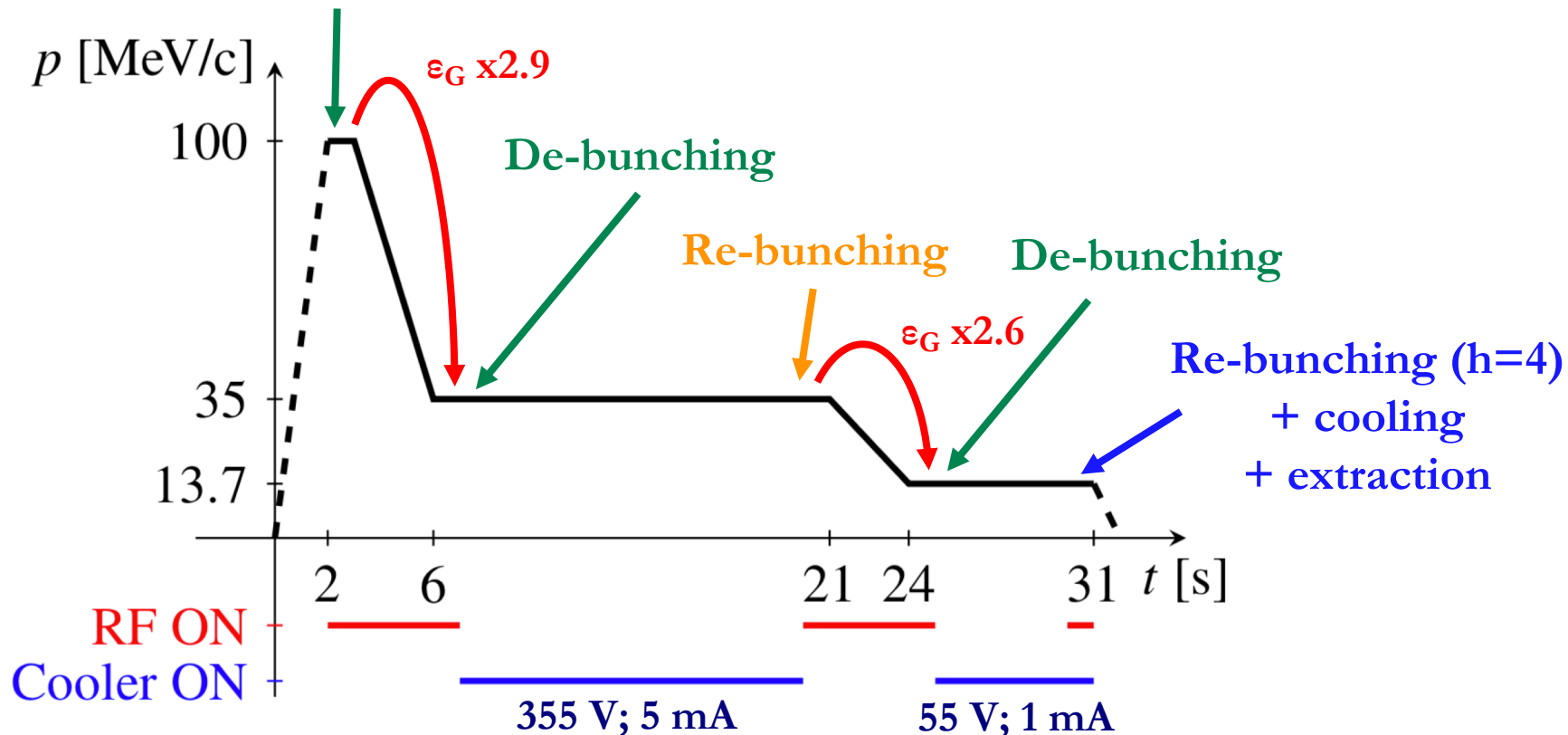
Commissioning With Pbars

ELENA Decelerating Cycle

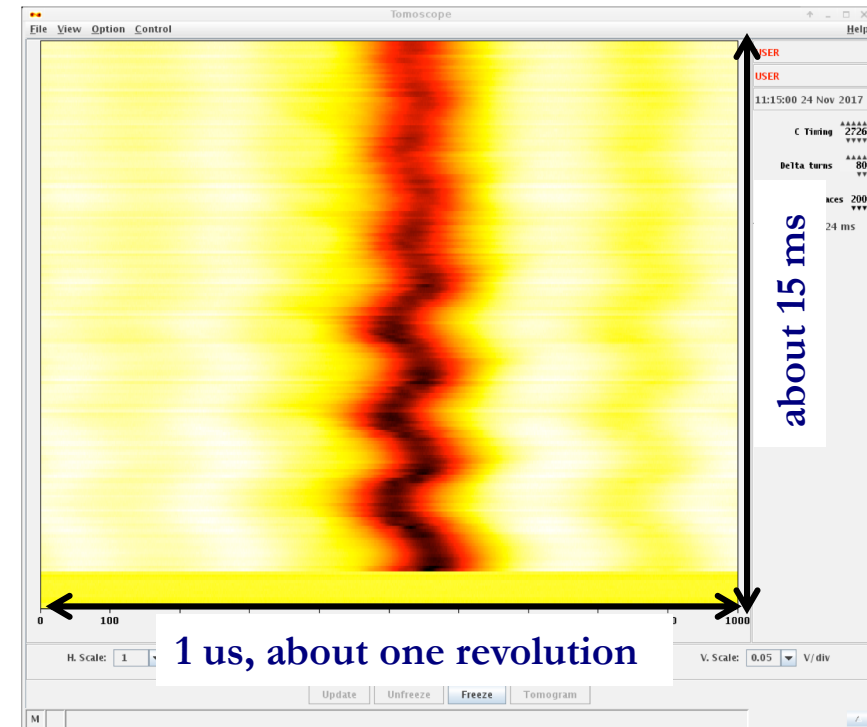
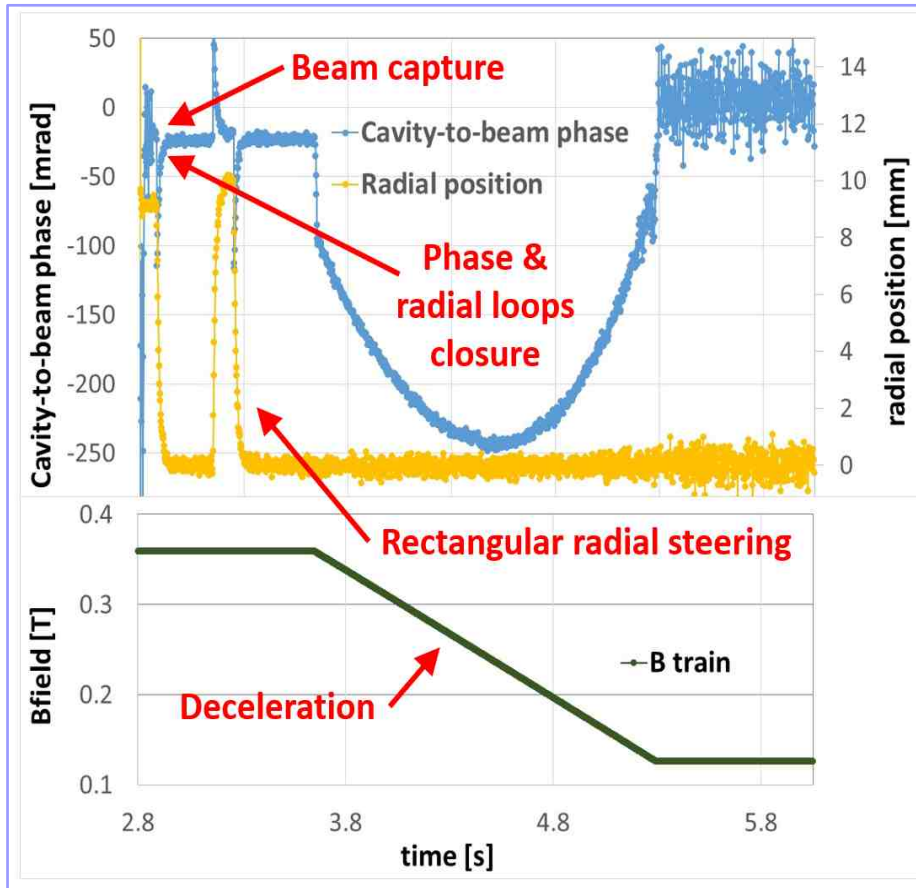


- **Beam arrives** already “cooled” from AD ($\epsilon_G \approx 1 \mu\text{m}$)
 - Deceleration starts “immediately”.
- **Two deceleration steps** with cooling to compensate for adiabatic blow-up
- **Extraction of 4 bunches** ($\sigma_t \approx 75 \text{ ns}$, $\epsilon_G \approx 1 \mu\text{m}$, $\sigma_p = 5\text{e-}4$, $\#_{\text{pbar/bunch}} = 4.5\text{e}6$)

Injection: bunch to bucket

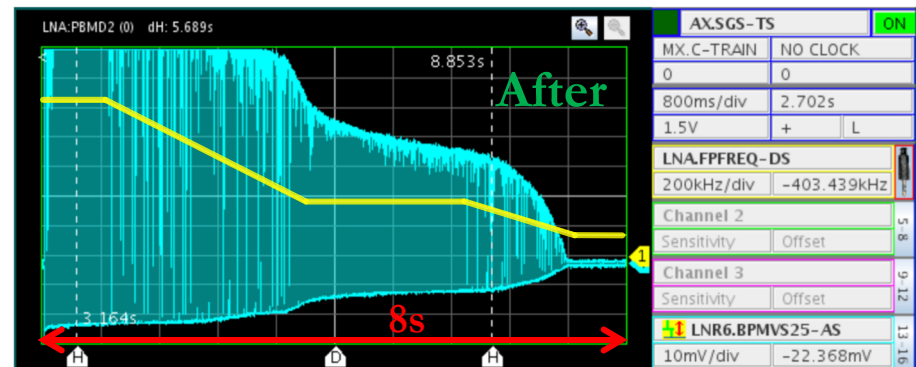
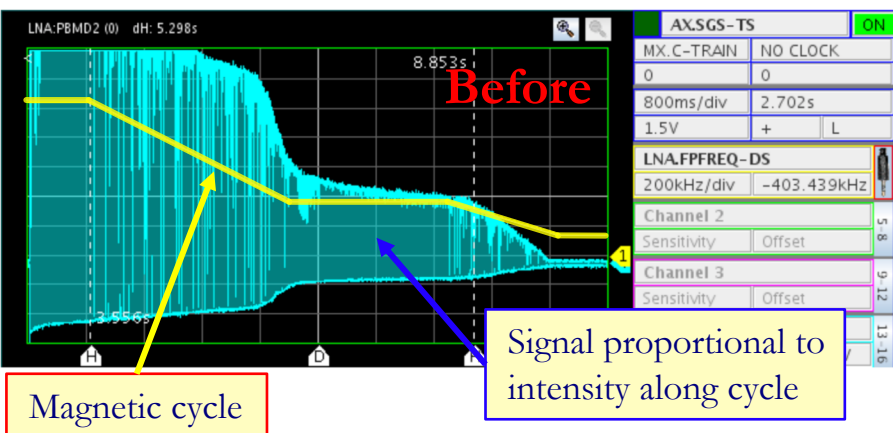


- **Bunch to bucket** transfer between **AD** and **ELENA** ($\sim 3.2\text{E}7$ pbars) and deceleration with **phase** and **radial loops**

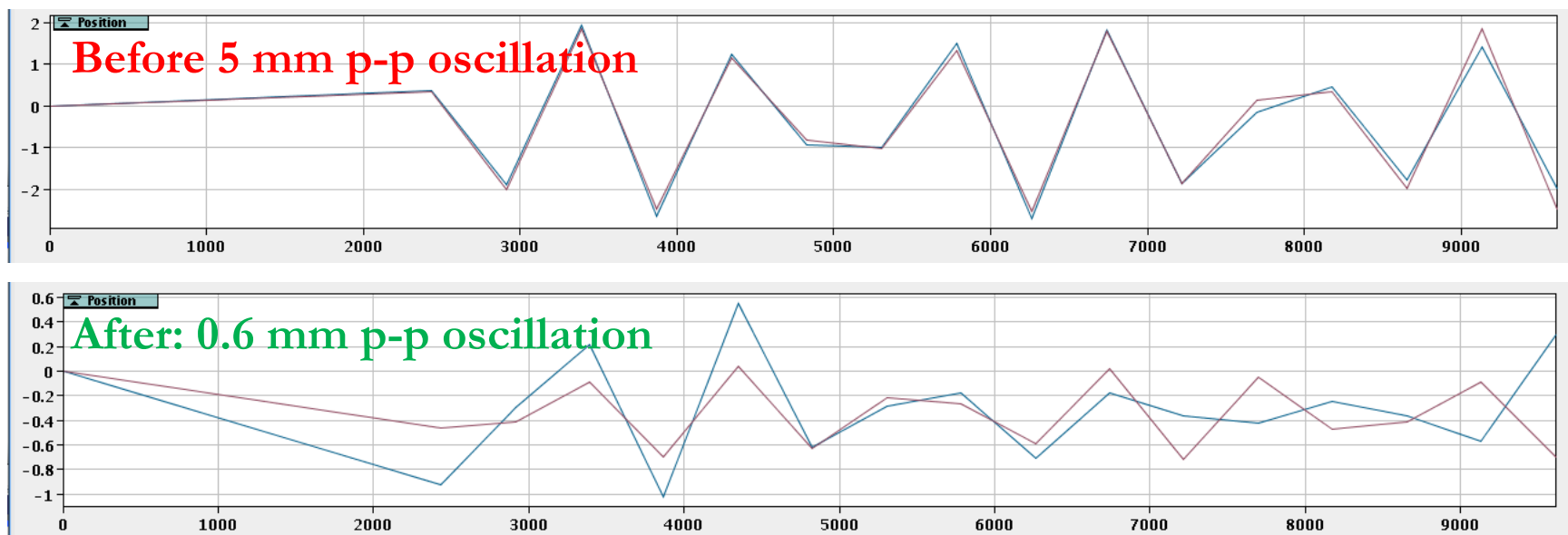


Bunch transferred into ELENA waiting bucket -
Phase loop damps synchrotron oscillations

First decelerating cycles: Impact and correction of injection orbit

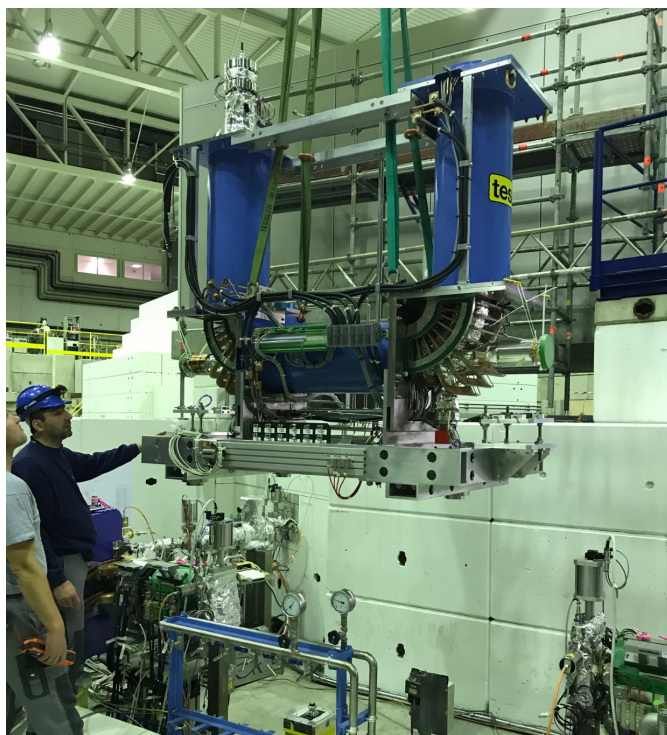


Orbit correction in injection transfer line to match ELENA closed orbit

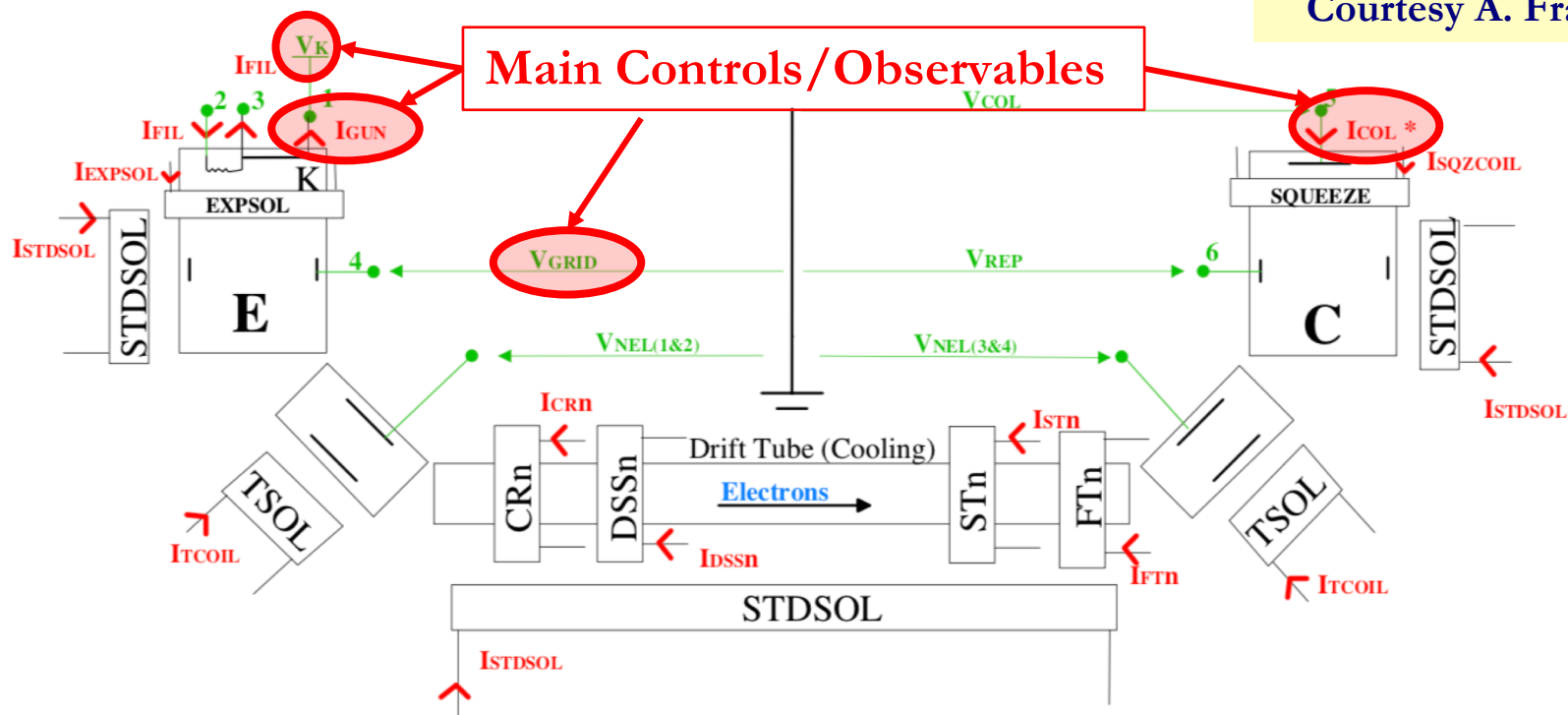


From B. Lefort ([link](#))

- Design based on L-LSR e-cooler (Kyoto)
- Cooler **installed** beginning of **December 2017**
 - Unfortunately, a **vacuum leak** developed after first bake-out
- Cooler **taken out** for dismounting and repair at the beginning of 2019
 - **ELENA** restarted delayed to April 2018



Courtesy A. Frassier



$p_{\text{bar}} p / \beta_{\text{rel}} [\text{MeV}/c] / [c]$	35/0.037	13.7/0.015
e^- current (mA)	5	1
B gun/drift (G)	1000/100	
Cathode radius (mm)	8	
e^- beam radius (mm)	25	
Twiss parameters (m)	$\beta_x=2.1, \beta_y=2.2, D_x=1.5$	

- Complex/flexible design with **many correctors** needed to achieve **specifications**:

$$B_{\perp} / B_{\parallel} \leq 5 \times 10^{-4}$$

- Magnetic field carefully measure and corrected before installation

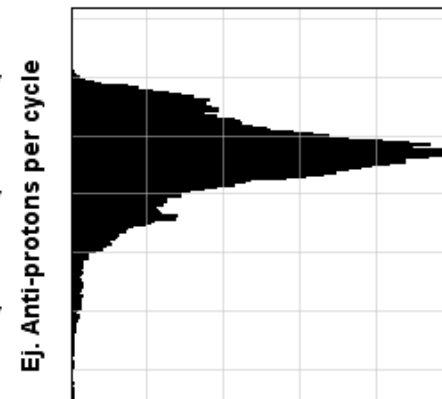
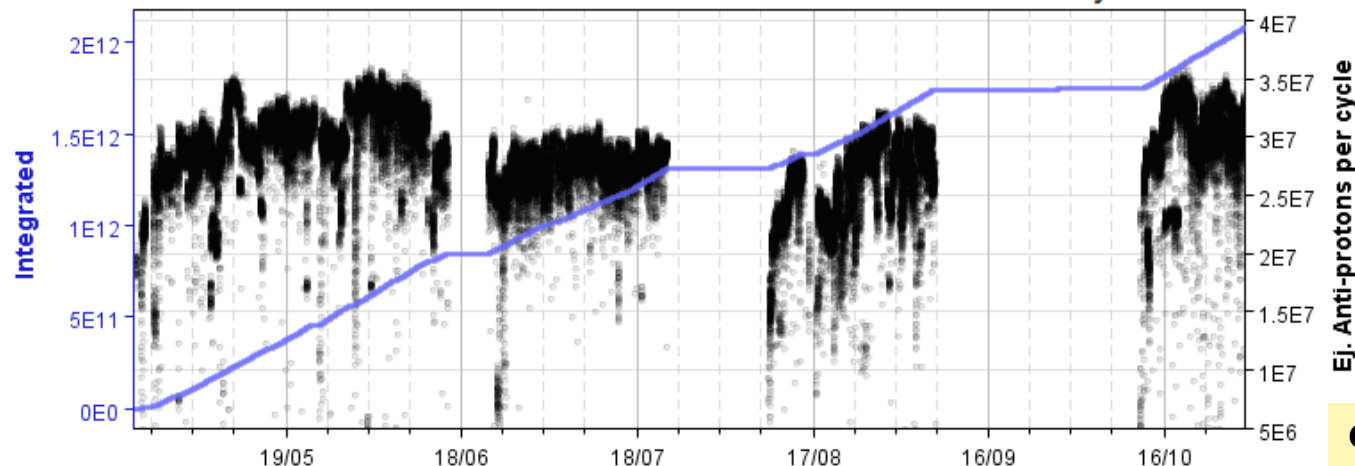
- Most **PC** referred to **ground**

Beam availability in 2018



- E-cooler studies (so far) only possible with *pbars* from AD
 - No attempt of *p* beam from source; limited attempts with *H⁻*
- AD cycle length ~ 110 s; MD shifts of 8 h each
 - About 33 shots/hour; 260 shots/MD shift
 - Typically 2 to 3 MDs per week $\approx 10\%$ of time
 - Unfortunate year for AD (about 62% availability = 4400h)
 - i.e. only a few thousand shots for ELENA MDs in 2018
 - ELENA e-cooler fully operational only from July

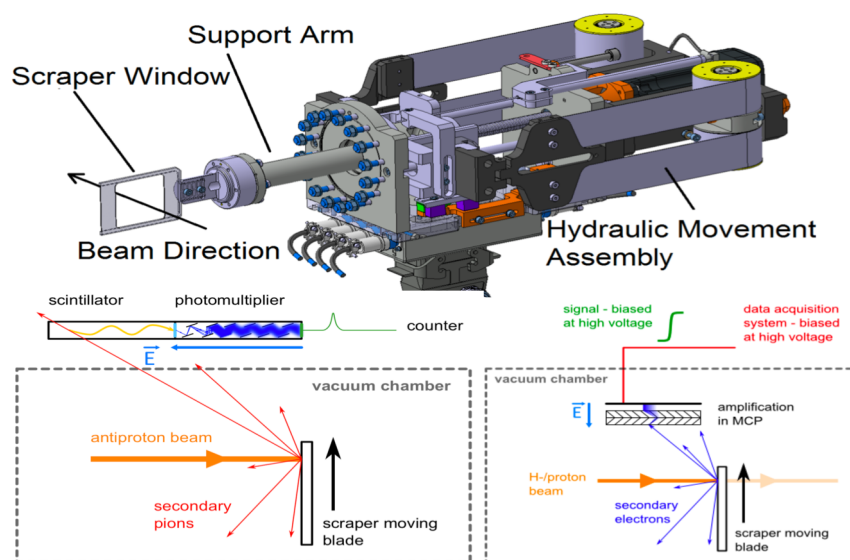
Extracted anti-protons - DE.BCT7049 - 2018
2.08E12 in total over 103970 cycles.



Courtesy T. Eriksson ([link](#))

■ Scraper measurement

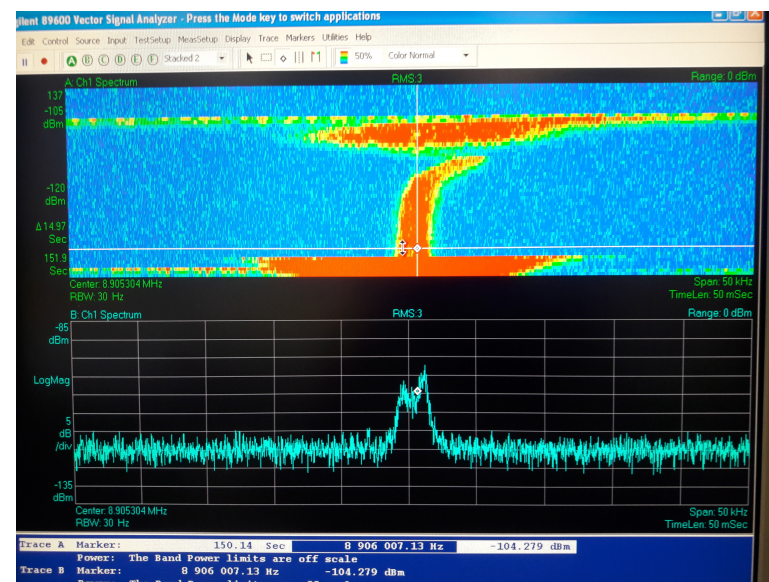
- **Destructive**
- **Integrated** in control system



Courtesy P. Grandemange et al. ([link](#))

■ Schottky diagnostic (LPU or TPU)

- **Non-destructive**
- **Not (yet) fully integrated** in CO



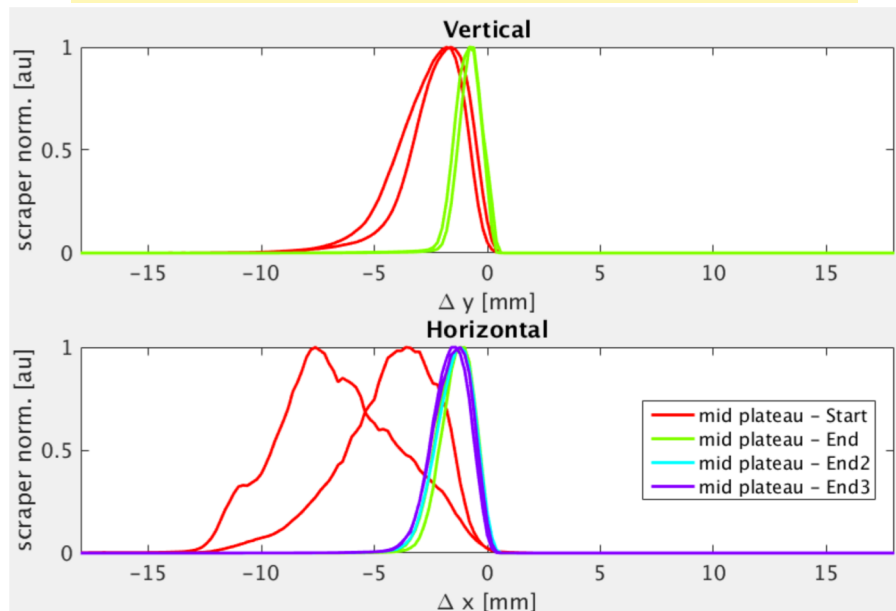
Also available:

- **2 BPMs** in e-cooler section, but **only used to measure ions** (no tests with e^- so far)
- **Recombination Monitor** only for e^- beam optimisation with H^- and p (not exploited)

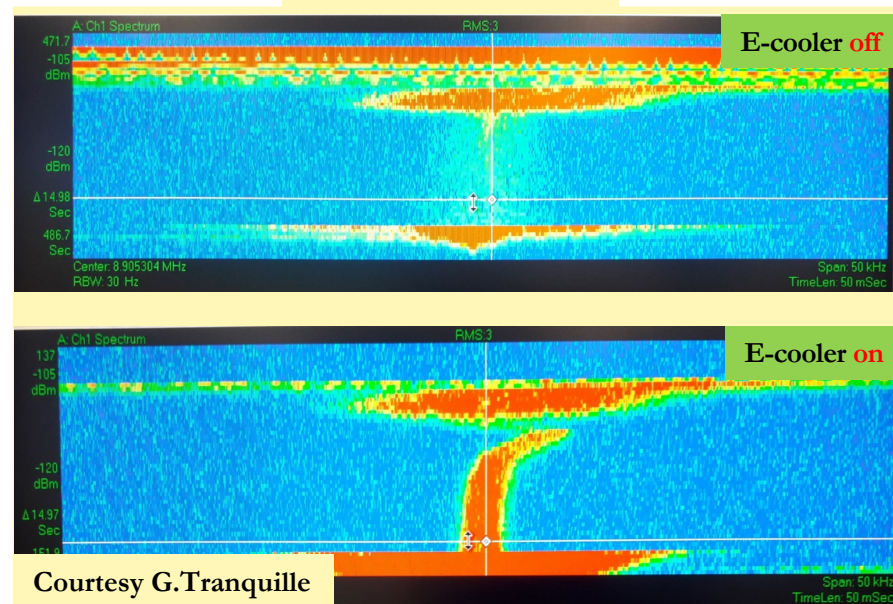
E-cooler in action (35 MeV/c plateau)



~half profile measured with “scraper”



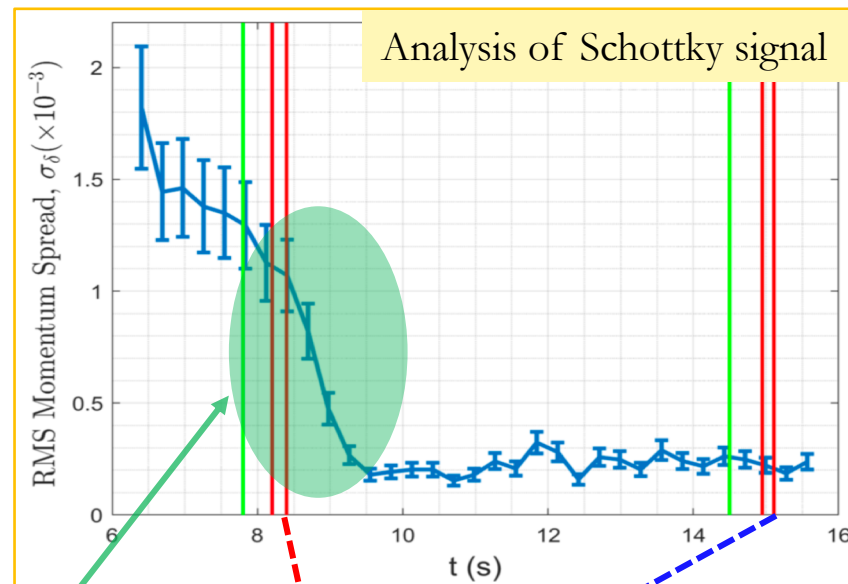
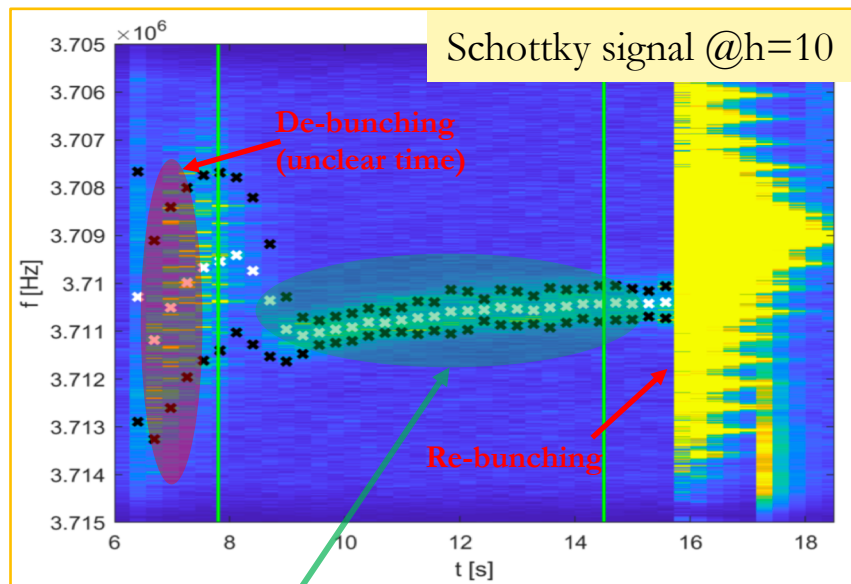
Schottky signal



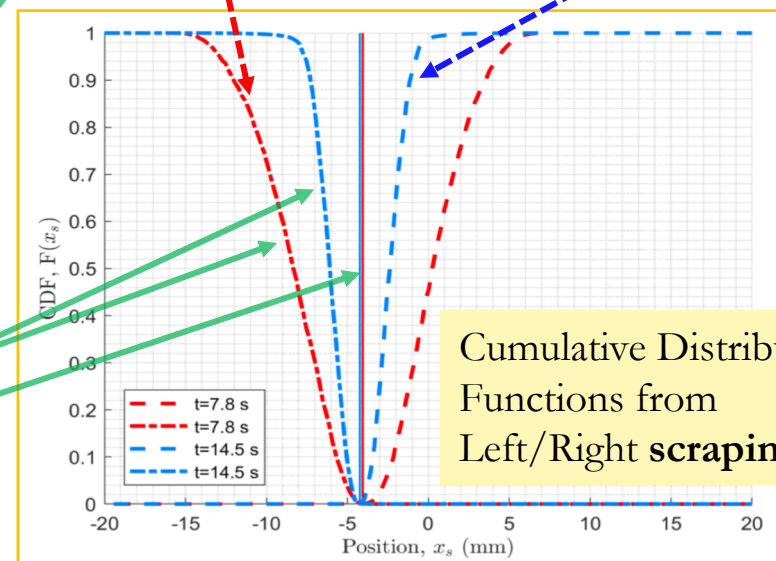
Courtesy G. Tranquille

- Clear qualitative transverse and longitudinal emittances reduction observed
- Only limited amount of time on systematic optimization of cooling (**lack of time**)
 - Some optimisation with ion orbit bumps/angles in e-cooler
 - Surely(?) margin for improvements

Some details (35 MeV/c plateau)



- Some **drift** of mean energy
 - e- beam energy drift?
- Longit. cooling time of the order of 1 s
 - Momentum spread ($\sim 2.5e-4$) and cooling time compatible with expectations
- Clear **reduction** of transverse beam size
- No sizable variation of beam mean transverse position

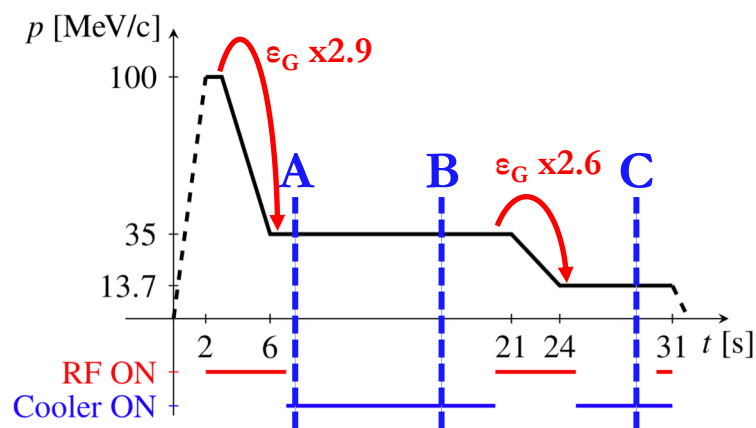


From J.Hunt Ph.D thesis

Transverse cooling performance



■ Analysis of scraper measurements at (only) three times along cycle



T [s]	E_k pbar [keV]	ϵ_{xG} [μm]	ϵ_{yG} [μm]
~ 8 (A)	650	3.6	1.6
~ 15 (B)	650	0.7	1.2
<i>Reduction to</i>		20%	75%
~ 28 (C) (<u>no cool</u>)	100	2.5	2.6
~ 28 (C)	100	0.6	0.5
<i>Reduction to</i>		24%	19%

■ A few more measurement available, but scattered in time/beam condition

□ More systematic measurements to come in the next run

■ No big tails seen, but detailed analysis to do.

■ Obtained values here about **x2 worst than design** ($0.3/0.2 \mu\text{m}$ ϵ_G for **coasting beam** with cooling on)

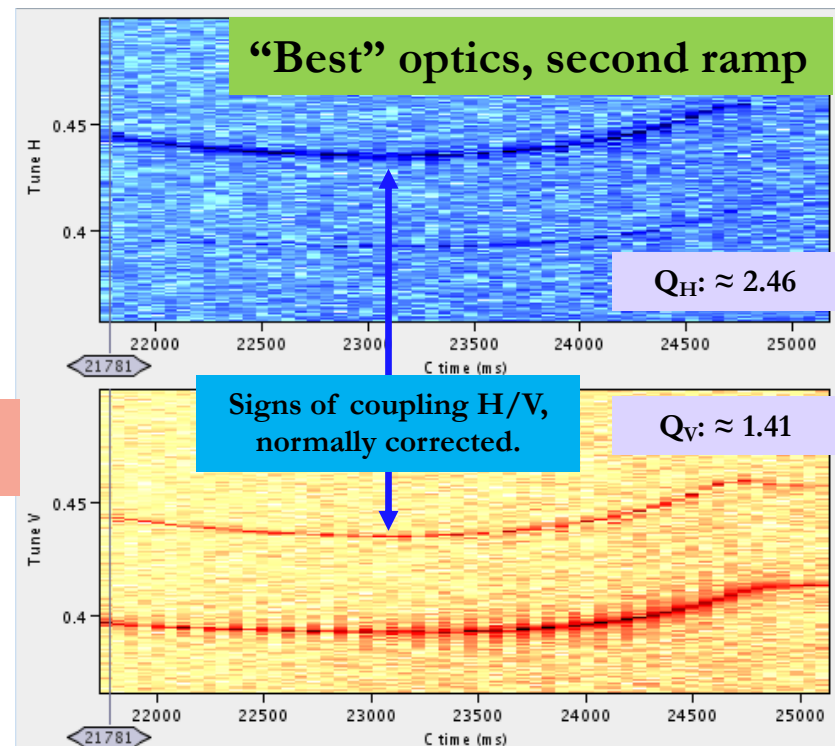
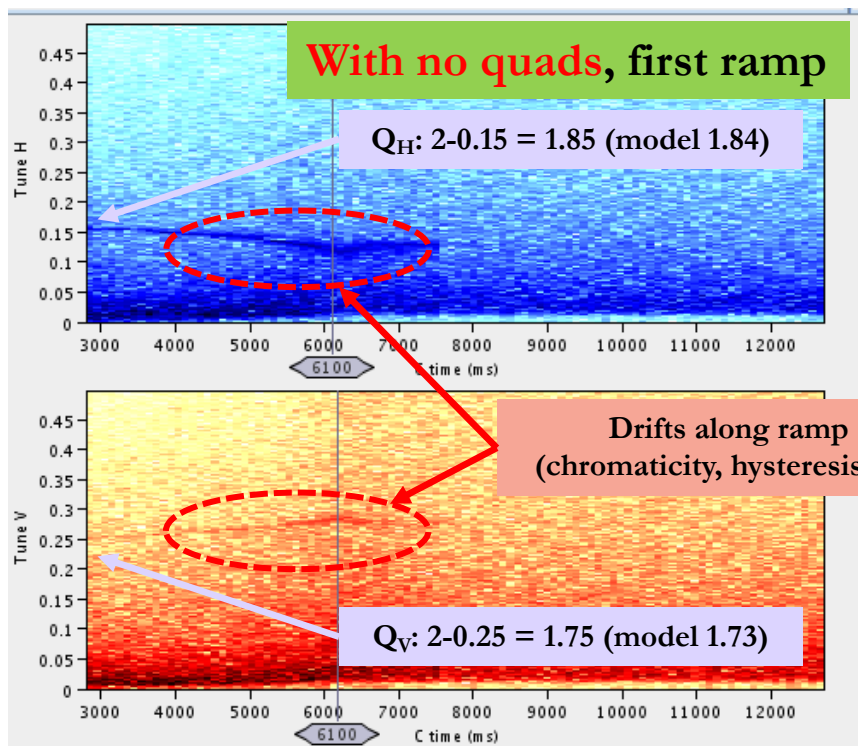
□ Good enough for emittance blow-up compensation

From J.Hunt Ph.D thesis

Tune optimization



- Machine was **designed** to allow for a **broad range of tunes** (around 2.3/1.3)
- Several **tune measurements** taken at different time with **different optics**
 - Mainly **empirical adjustments** / **trial-and-error** approach
 - The main observable for **optimization** was the **transmission** along cycle

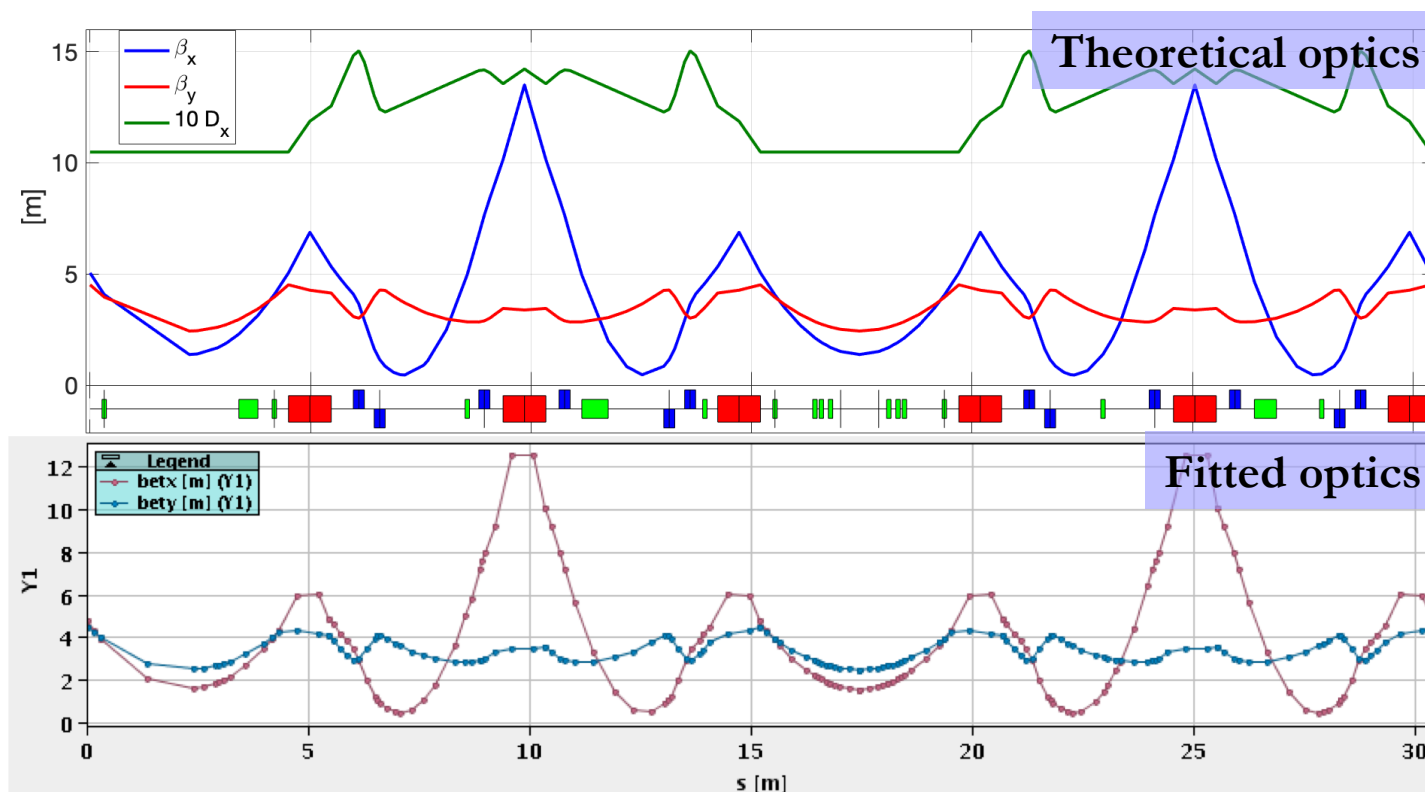


- Finally able to control tune better than $\Delta Q < 0.02$
 - Mainly **limited by beam time** and **control system** restrictions (being solved)

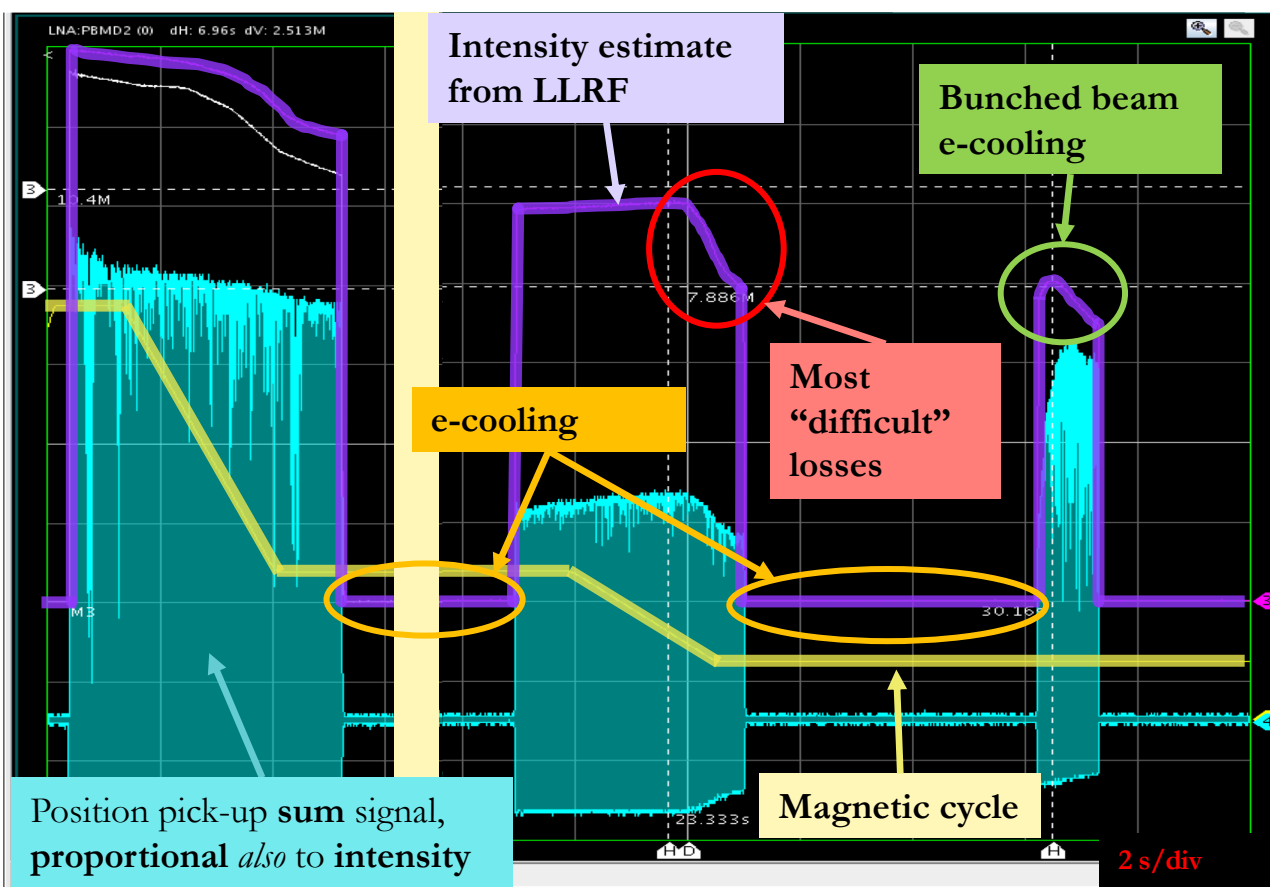
Kick response matrix analysis



- Discrepancies between machine model and measurements have been observed
 - Discrepancy varies along magnetic cycle, pointing to possible hysteresis effects
- A possible way to investigate is via kick response matrix analysis
 - (Preliminary) Overall agreement between theoretical optics and fitted optics
 - More data and analysis needed



Status End of Run 2018



- Almost nominal cycle:
 - Injection 100 MeV/c
 - Deceleration to 35 MeV/c ($h = 1$)
 - De-bunching and **e-cooling**
 - Deceleration to 13.7 MeV/c ($h=4$)
 - De-bunching and **e-cooling**
 - Re-bunching (with e-cooler on) on $h=4$ and extraction to experiment
 - GBAR only user so far.
- If we trust LLRF intensity estimate we have **about 50% deceleration efficiency**
- Still quite some **losses** at the end of **second ramp**
 - **Still to be understood...**

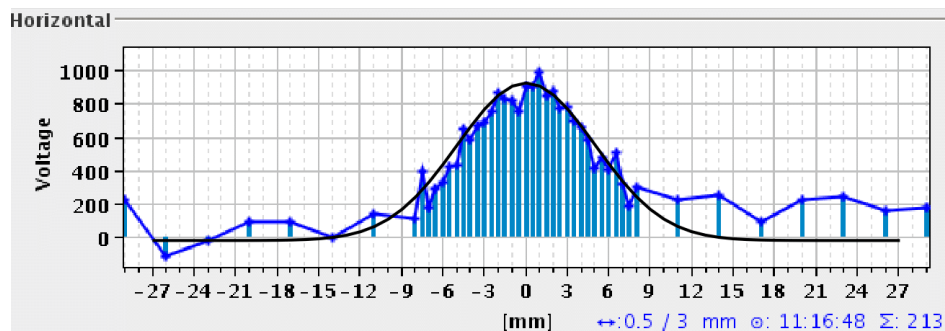
Not far from design parameters

Connection of ELENA to AD experiments approved at the end of 2018

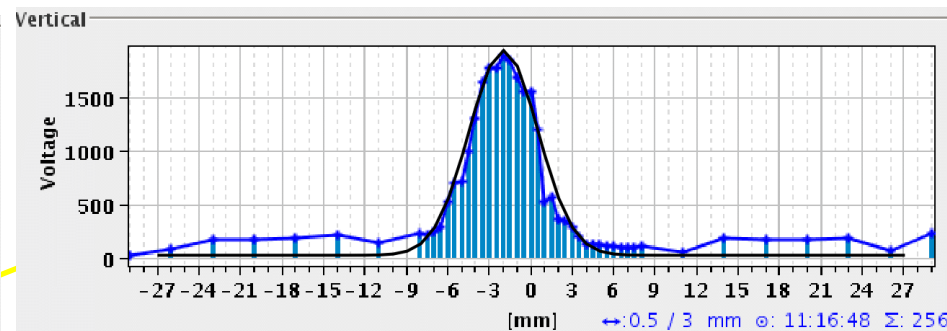
Bunches extracted to GBAR



- Beam profiles measured on **Microwire monitors** installed in **GBAR** line



Gaussian fit by hand with $\sigma_H = 5 \text{ mm}$

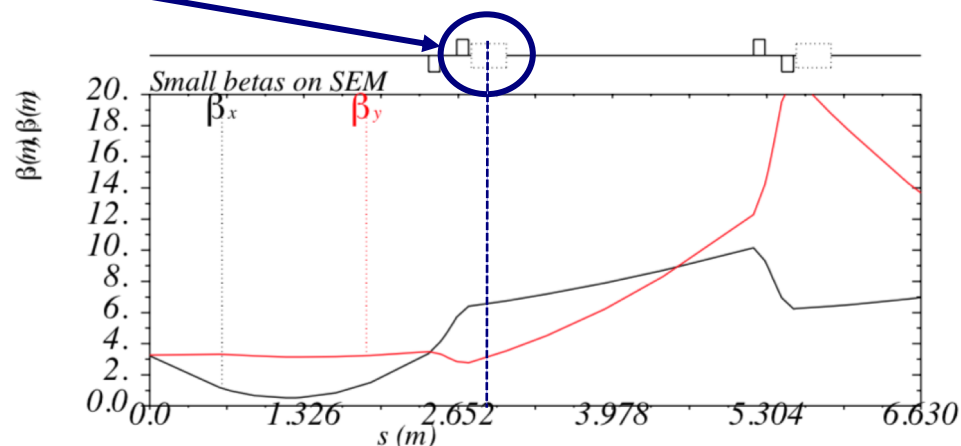


Gaussian fit by hand with $\sigma_V = 2.5 \text{ mm}$

- Acquisitions with second monitor LNE.BSGWA.5020 in GBAR line

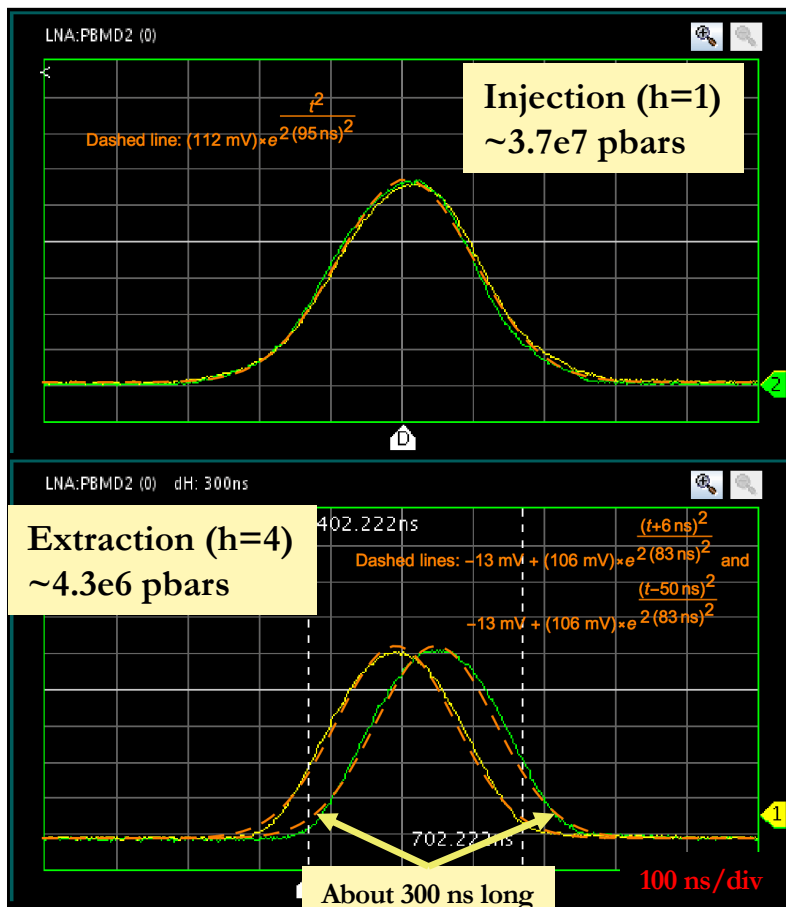
- Beam sizes with voltages of first two quads of line set to zero

- $\beta_H = 6 \text{ m}$ gives rms emittance:
 $\epsilon_H = 4.1 \mu\text{m}$ (without taking dispersion into account)
(design $1.2 \mu\text{m}$)
- $\beta_V = 4 \text{ m}$ gives rms emittance:
 $\epsilon_V = 1.5 \mu\text{m}$ (design $0.75 \mu\text{m}$)



Transfer line to GBAR

Bunches extracted to GBAR

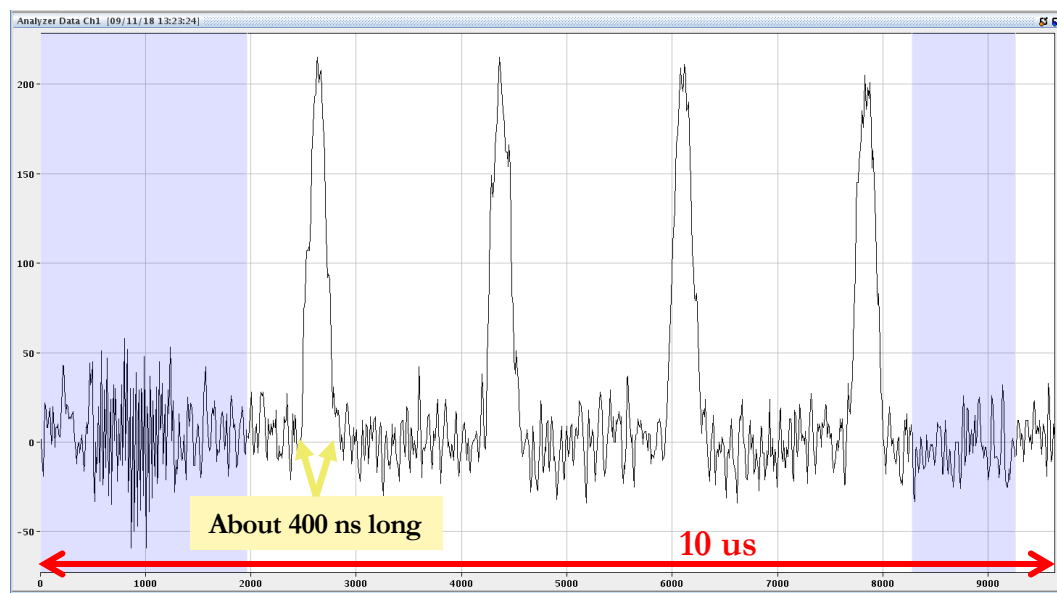


■ According to Transverse Pickup signals:

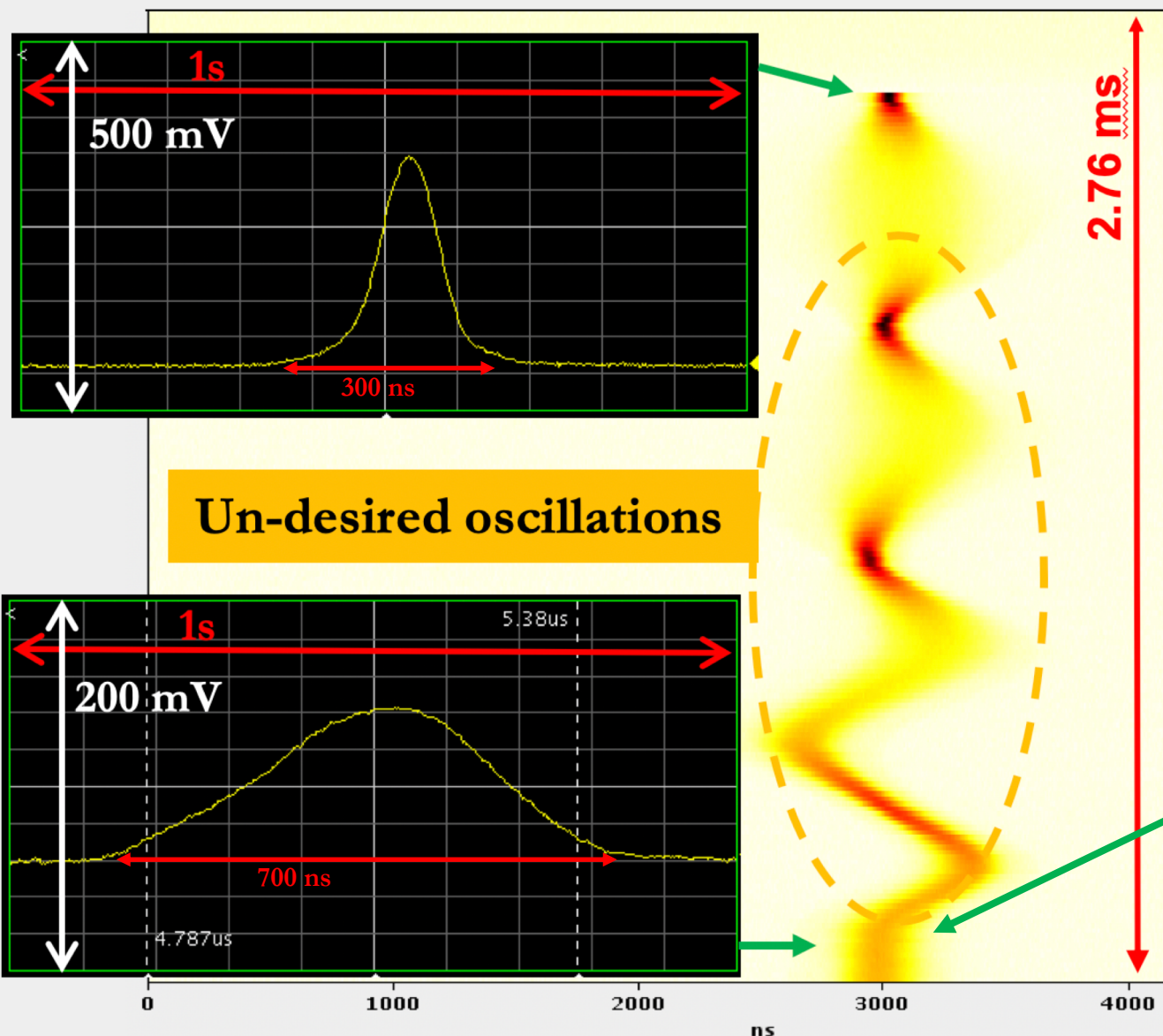
- After injection $3.7\text{e}7$ pbars
- Before extraction $4 \times 4.3\text{e}6 = 1.7\text{e}7$ pbars

■ According to Magnetic Pickup in extraction line we see about $1\text{e}7$ pbars extracted (over all 4 bunches)

- Unrealistic to think we are losing $0.7\text{e}7$ pars at extraction... Probable some **calibration error!**



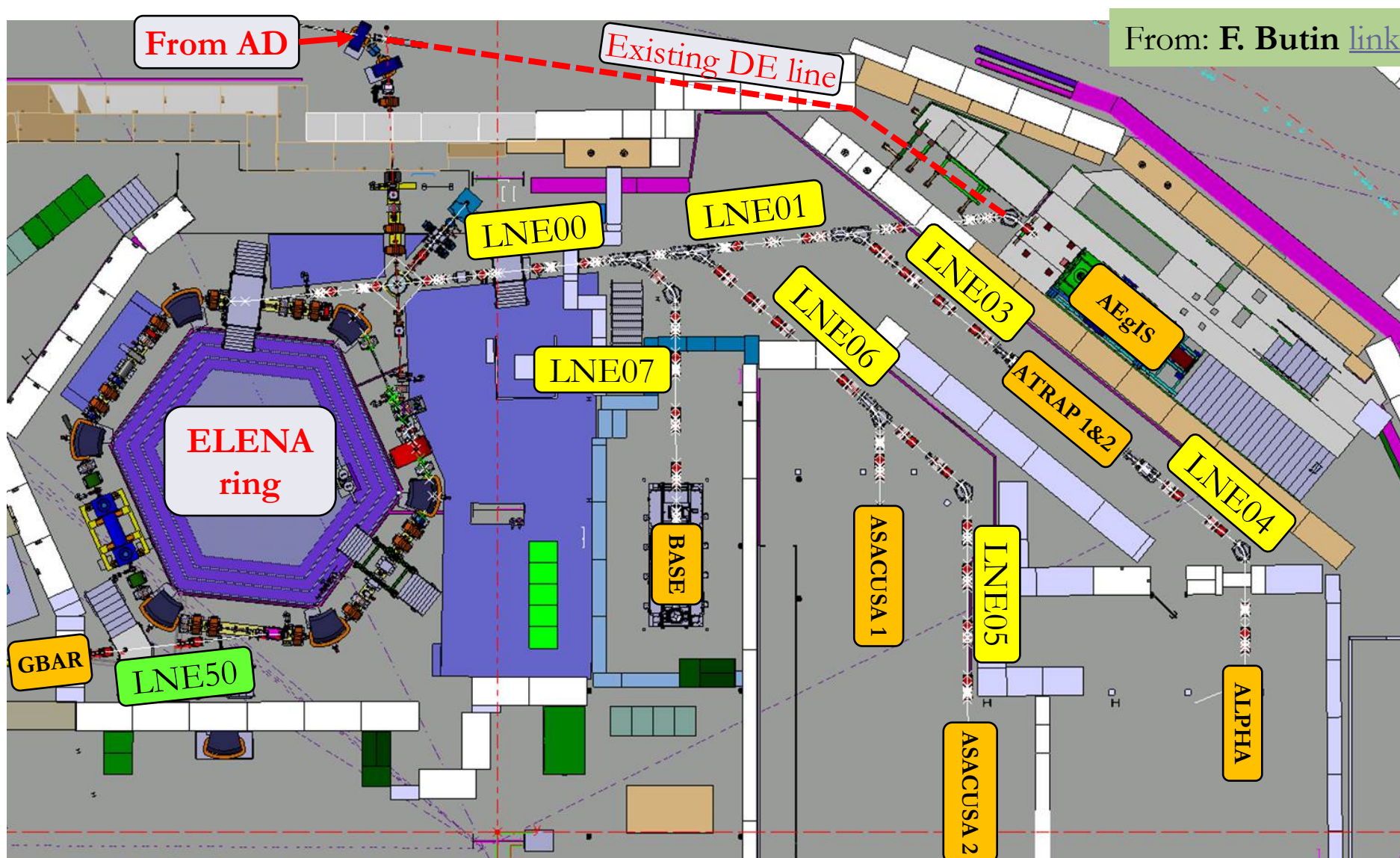
“Bunch rotation” ($h=1$)



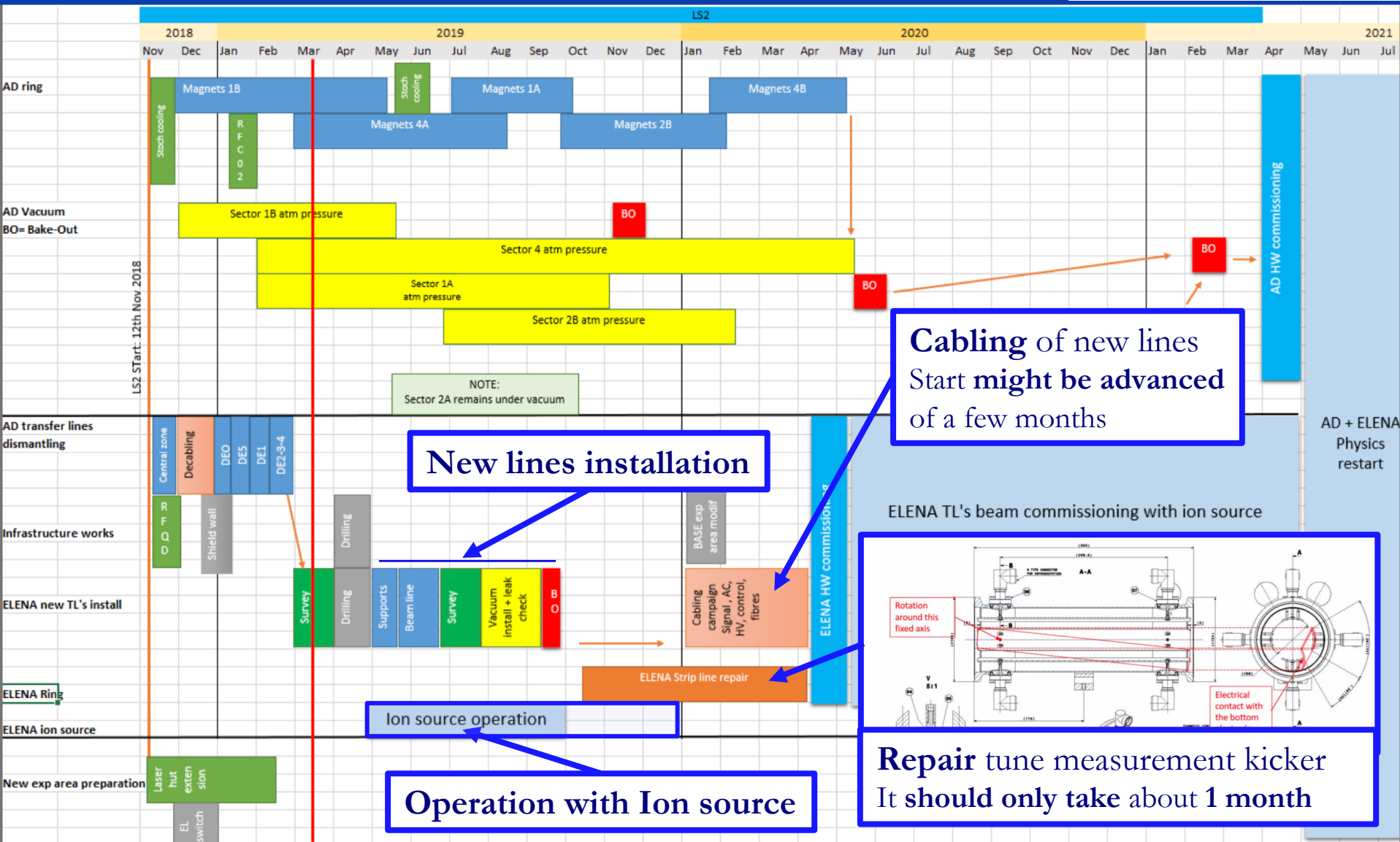
Possible to shorten the bunches (but higher energy spread) with **bunch rotation** (not baseline) for $h=1$ operation (100 keV)

Current Activities and Plans for LS2

LS2: Electrostatic lines being installed



In the context of AD consolidation



Master planning of activities in the AD hall during LS (by **Francois Butin** who follows up all these activities) [link](#)

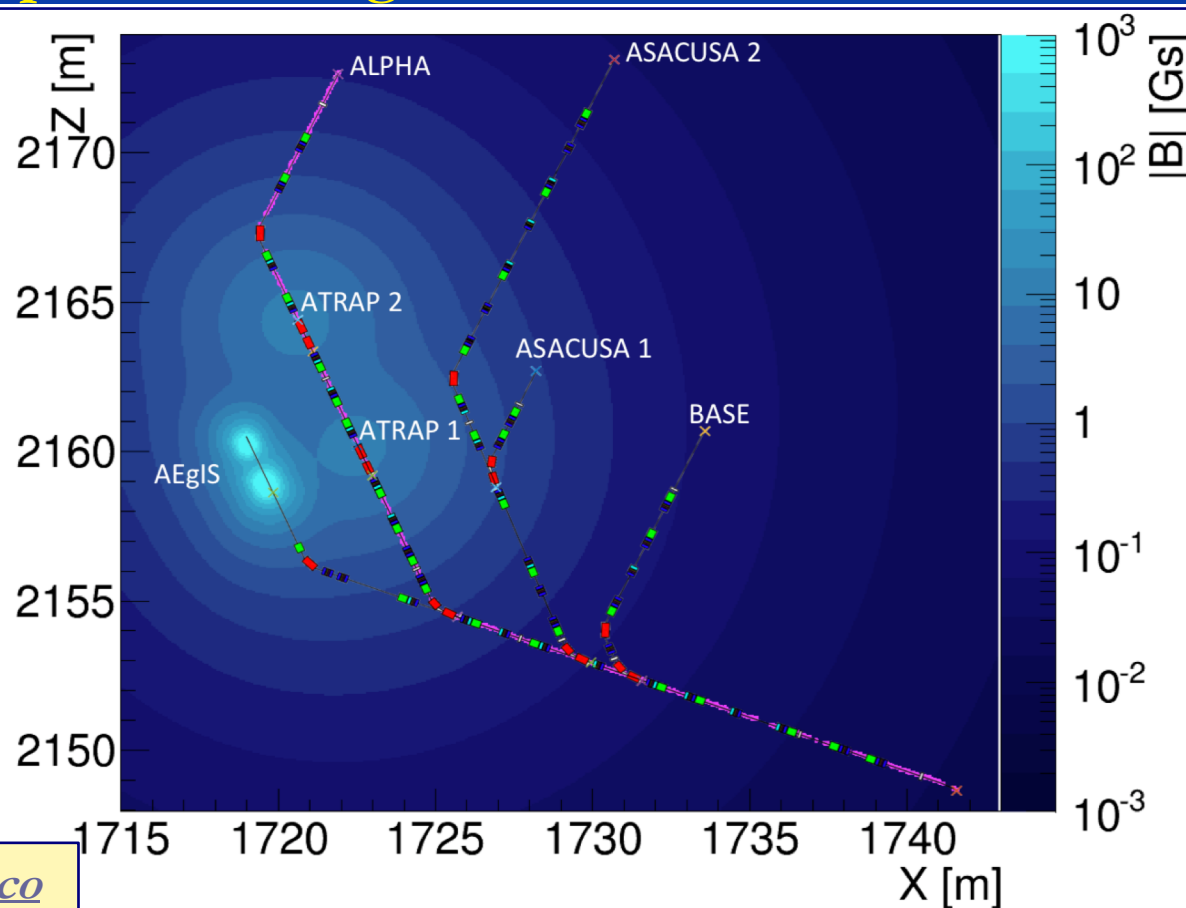


- **Complex design**
 - Initially foreseen as **in-kind collaboration**, now being taken care more and more by BE-BI
 - Parts coming for **Japanese collaboration**, assembly made at CERN by BE-BI
 - **Limited documentation**
 - **Many issues found during assembly** (vacuum leaks, mechanical problems, broken wires, poor cleaning) had to be addressed at CERN
 - **Slow reception of parts**
 - Looking for “local” supplier for spare parts
 - Final version of **head amplifier** being finalized
 - Also with supervision from CERN BE-BI
- **First prototypes demonstrated to work**, but more beamtime needed to finalize their commissioning!

Some concern: stray fields from experiment magnets



- $|B|$ @ common beam level
- 5 exp. magnets simulated:
 - AEgIS (1T)
 - AEgIS (4.46T)
 - ATRAP 1 (5T)
 - ATRAP 2 (1T)
 - ATRAP 2 PBAR (2T)
- Based on analytical calculations and numerical field maps inside the magnets



Courtesy J. Jentzsch - [indico](#)

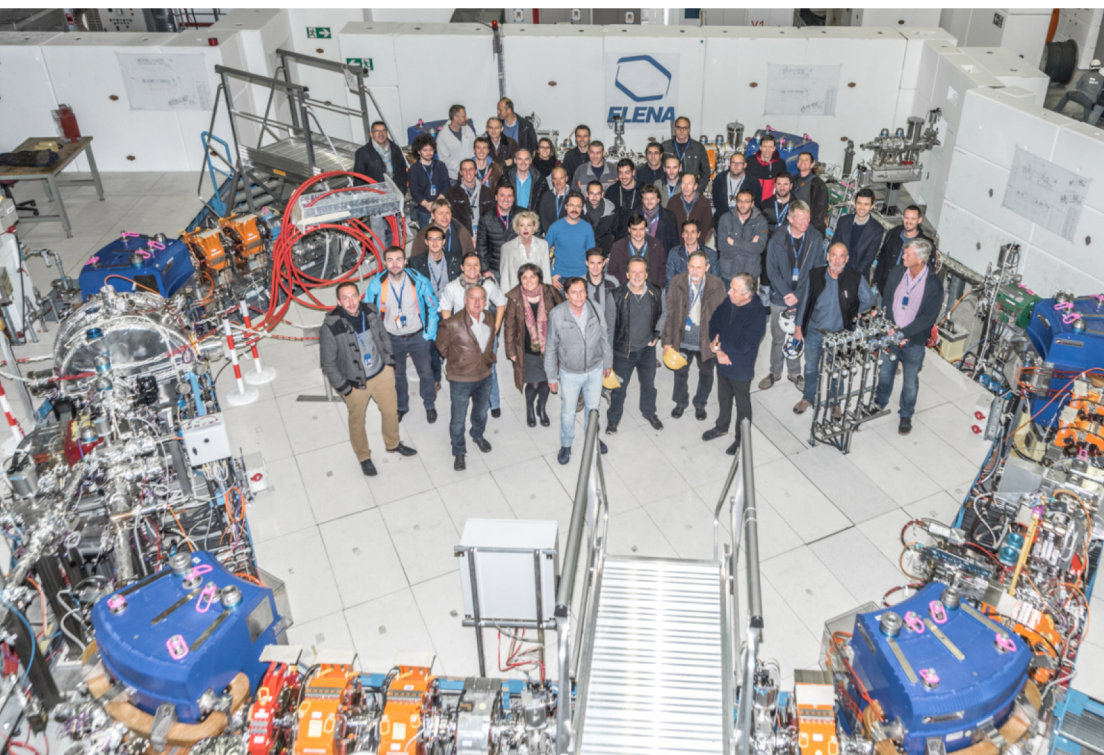
- From preliminary studies, **transfer line design should be able to cope with static fields**
 - **How to cope with experiments going on/off while others are taking beam?**
 - Additional **shielding** and/or “online” orbit correction knobs **possible**
 - **Plan is to start sending beam to first assess the actual impact on the beam**

- **2018** a very **fruitful year** for **ELENA** commissioning
 - Many **sub-systems** (RF, BI, e-cooler) (**almost**) fully **commissioned**
 - Nominal **beam performance** (**almost**) **established**
- **E-cooling** is doing what it has promised
 - **Emittance reductions** of **~80%** (even at **100 keV**)
 - **Longitudinal beam specifications** met with **bunched beam cooling**
 - **Results obtained with limited/empirical studies** → **room for improvement?!**
- **Could not fully profit of the H^-/p source => being fixed**
 - Use of H^-/p beam envisaged for e-cooling studies (**higher rep rate**)
- **Plans for LS2**
 - **Installation** of the **ELENA transfer lines** to the “old” experimental zone
 - **Fix ion source** and **Improve** its **reliability** and **stability**
 - **Continue commissioning activities** with H^-/p in **2019/2020**
 - **Commissioning** of electrostatic transfer lines in **2020** with H^-
 - **Physics with pbars** mid **2021**

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Backup

ELENA Overview and Layout



Tune measurement

Extraction towards existing experiments **stripline** (excitation)
(with fast electrostatic deflector)

Wideband RF cavity

Scraper to measure
emittances
(destructive)

Line from H⁻ and proton
source for commissioning

Injection with
magnetic septum (≈ 300 mrad)
and kicker (84 mrad)

Ring
C=30.4 m

Quadrupoles

**High sensitivity magnetic
pick-up** for Schottky diagnostic
(intensity) and LLRF

Extraction towards GBAR

Tune measurement
stripline (acquisition)

Electron Cooler and
compensation solenoids

- **Longitudinal pickup** in the ring **too noisy**: being revisited by BE/RF
- Tune measurement **excitation stripline broken**
 - planned to be repaired in 2019 by BE/BI (need to break vacuum)

Expected cooling time



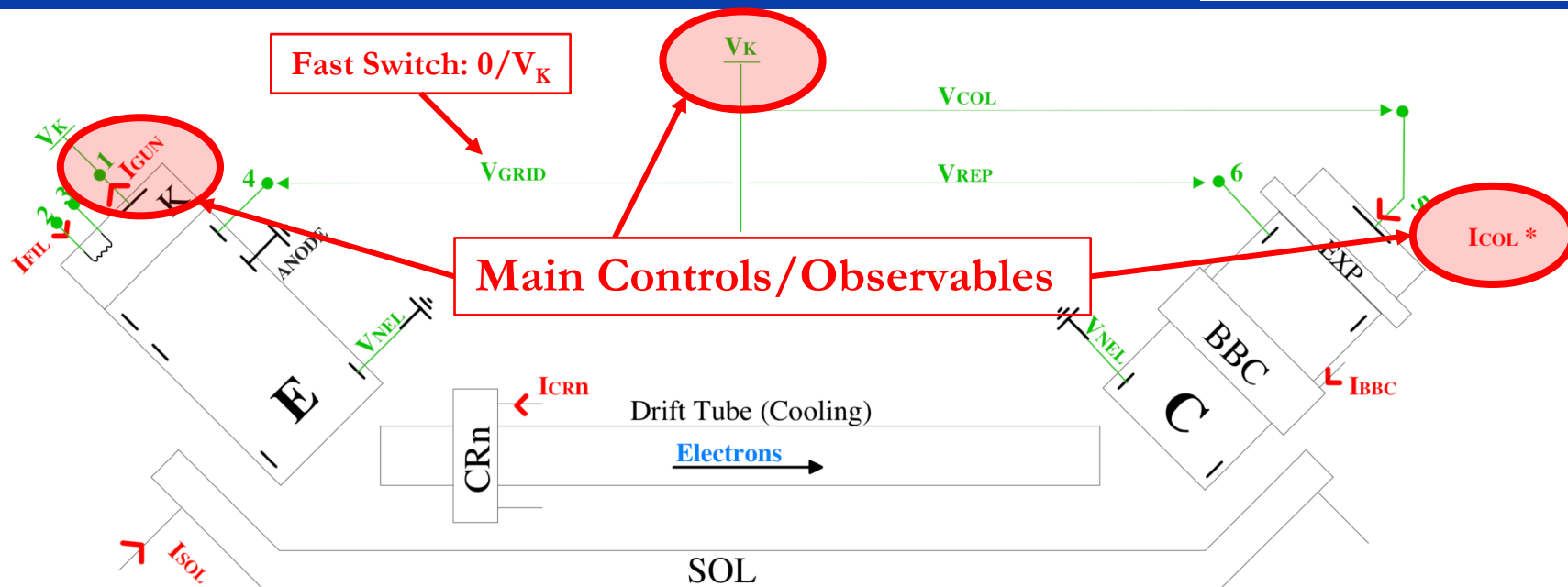
$$\frac{1}{\tau} = \frac{1}{k} \frac{q^2}{A} \eta_c L_c r_e r_p \frac{j}{e \beta_\gamma^4 \gamma^5 \Theta^3}$$

$k = 0.16$
 $L_c = \text{Coulomb logarithm} \approx 10 \text{ typically}$
 $j = e^- \text{ current density}$
 $j = N_e \beta_\gamma c e$
 $N_e \approx 1.4 \times 10^{12} [m^{-3}]$
 $Q = -1; A = 1 \text{ for ELENA}$
 $r_e = 2.8 \times 10^{-15}$
 $r_p = 1.54 \times 10^{-18}$
 $\eta_c = \frac{L_{cool}}{L_{ring}} \approx 0.023$
 $\gamma \approx 1$
 $\beta_\gamma \approx 0.038 - 0.015$
 $\Theta_{\parallel} \approx \Delta p_{ion}/p_{ion} \approx 2 \times 10^{-3}$
 $\Theta_{\perp} \approx \sqrt{\epsilon \gamma_{Twiss}} \approx 1.4 \times 10^{-3}$
 Θ^3 is the r.m.s. ion/electron "angular" spread

from: ELENA Design Report (CERN-2014-002)

- Putting everything together, to be expected cooling time of $\tau < 1 \text{ s}$
- Compatible with observations.

AD



■ Some useful formulas

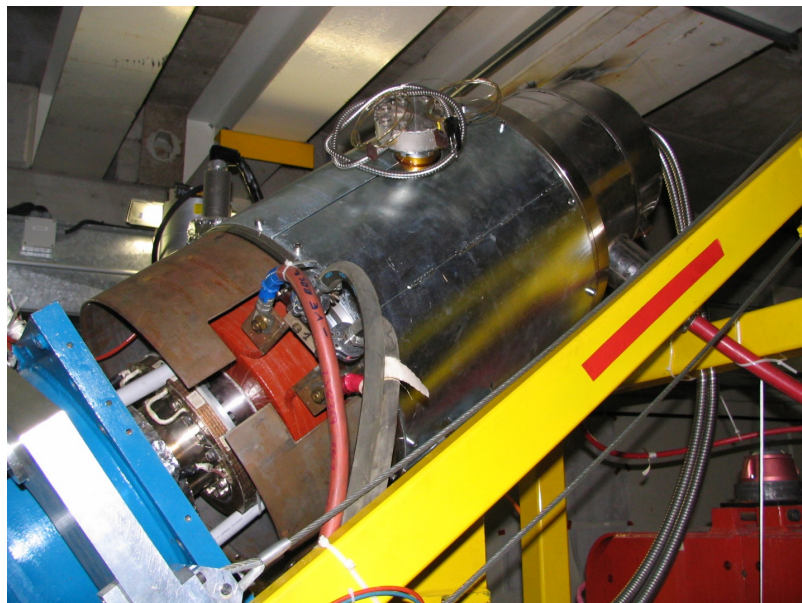
$$E_k = eV_K$$

$$I_e = PV_K^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

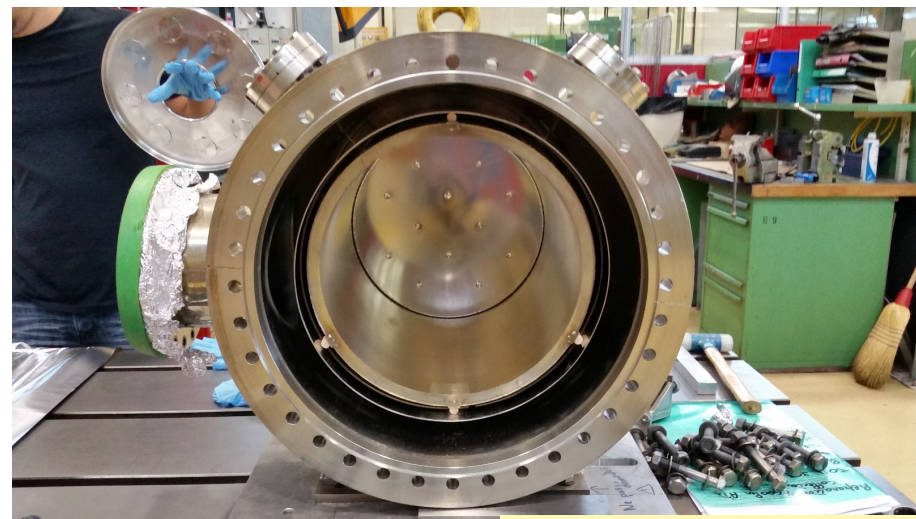
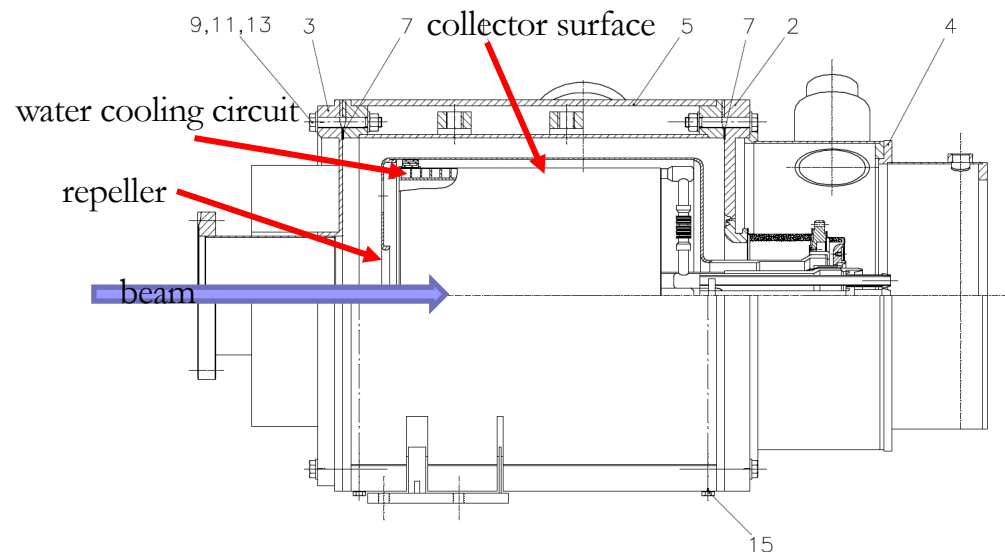
$$P = 0.58 \times 10^{-6}$$

Courtesy A. Frassier

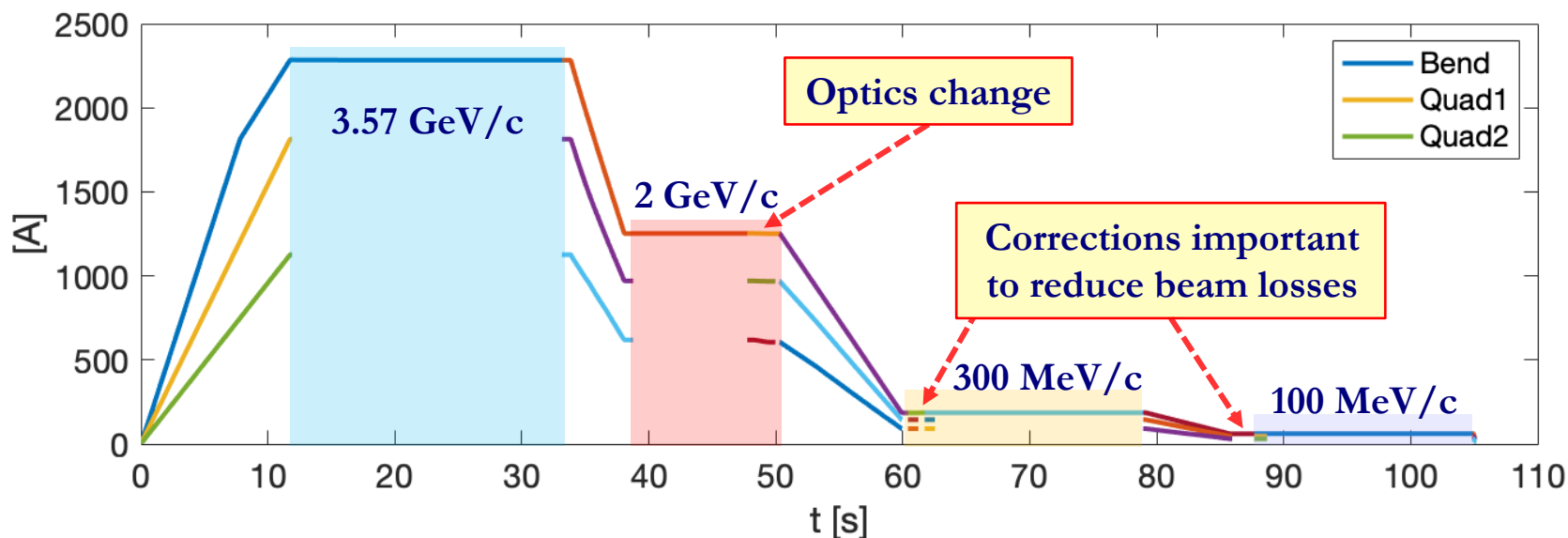
AD cooler issues in 2018



- Leak detection performed on the electron cooler
- Leak traced to the collector cooling circuit



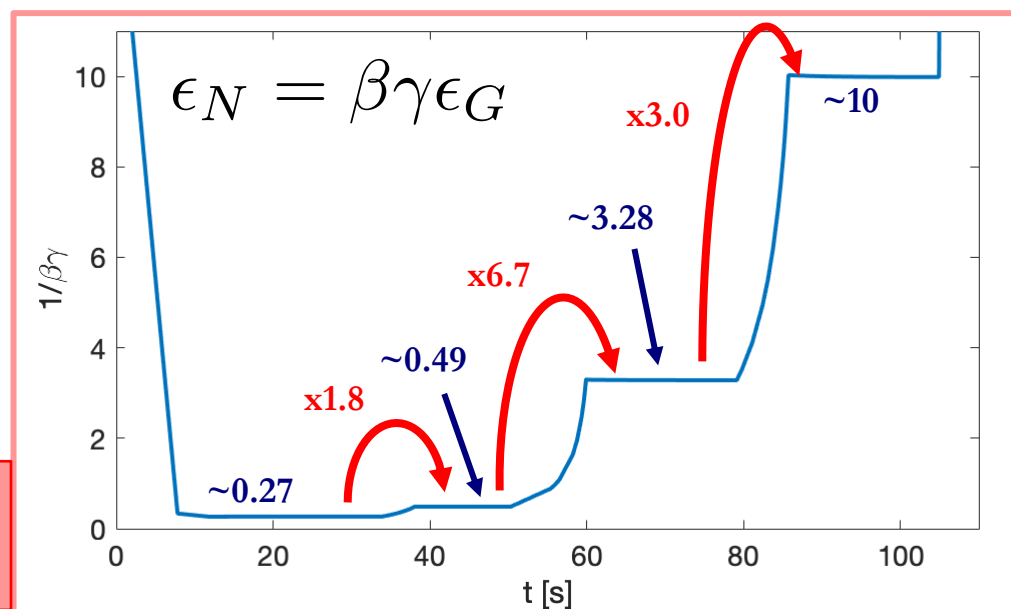
AD Cycle end of 2018



Not much time for looking at AD cycle in 2018:

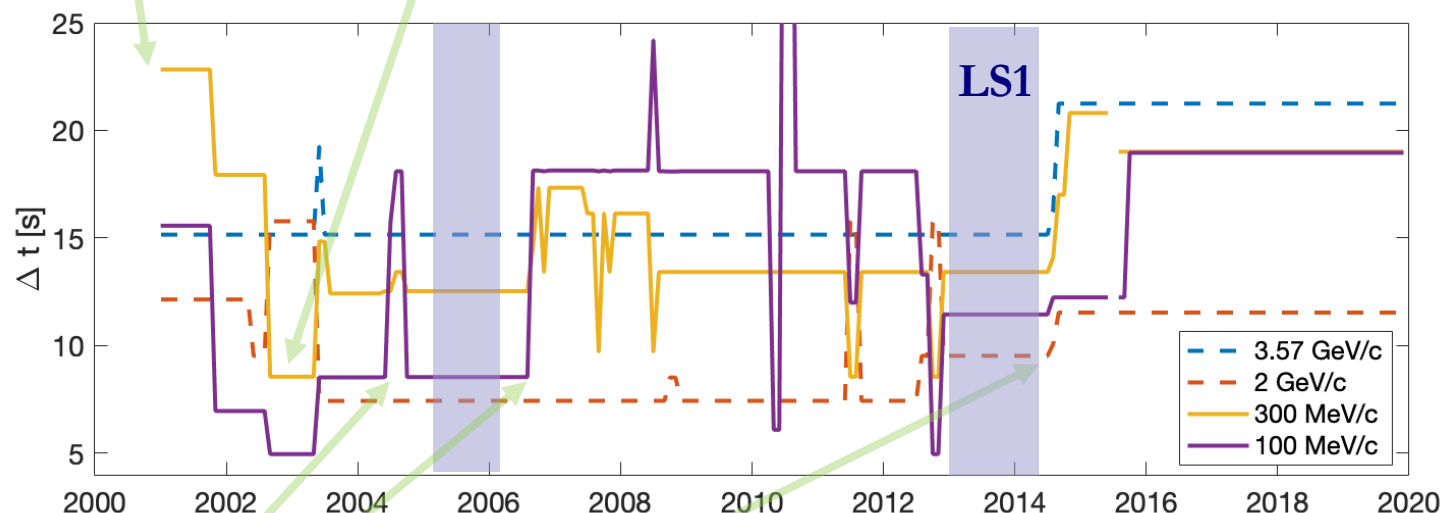
- Hardware issues
- ELENA commissioning

Expected adiabatic emittance blow up at each



■ Length of different plateaus (T. Eriksson - [link](#))

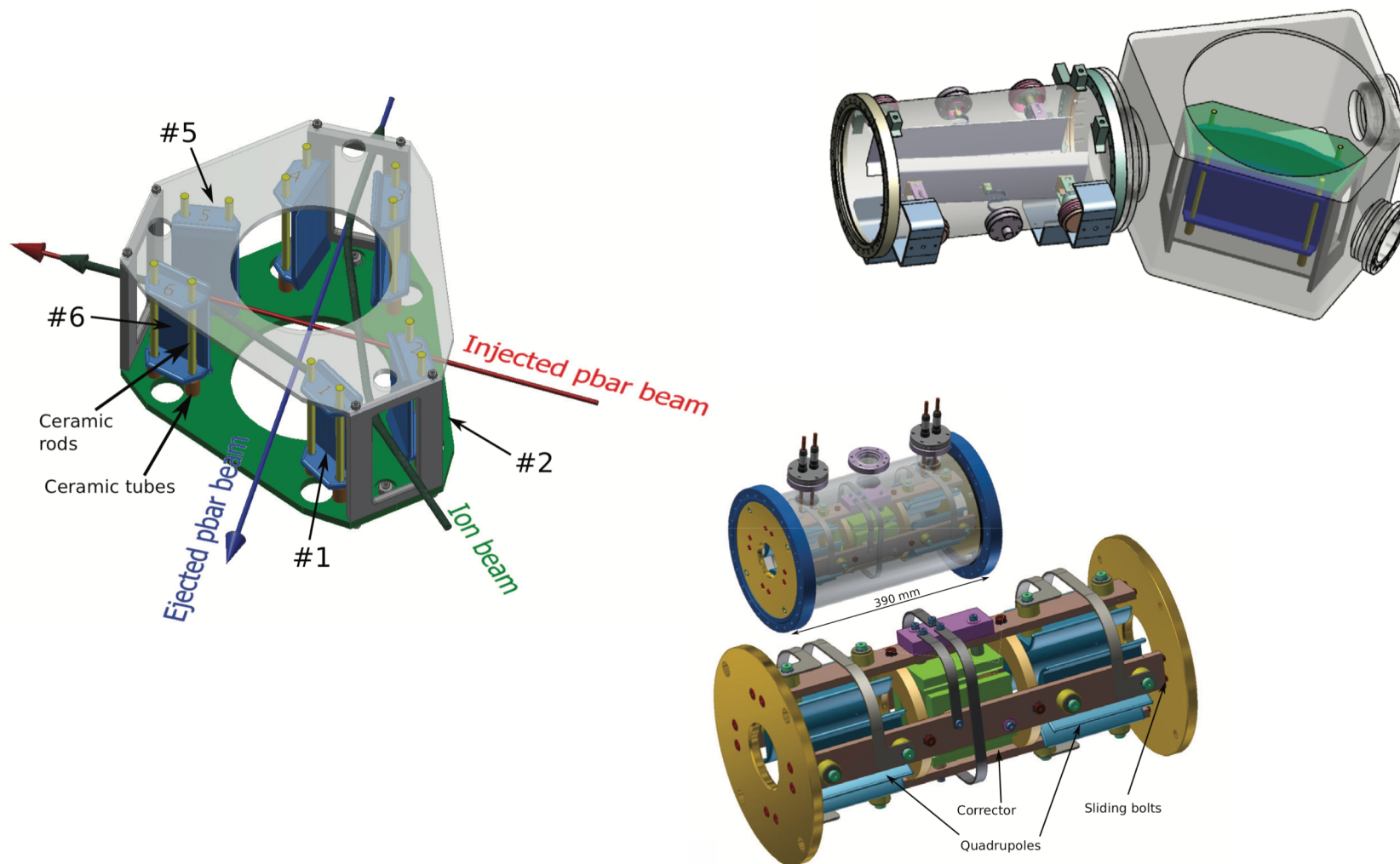
- 2000, end of the year: $2.0 \cdot 10^7$ pbars/bunch, 110s cycle length
- 2003, end of the year: $3.0 \cdot 10^7$ pbars/bunch (routine operation value), 85s cycle length



• Major faults (T. Eriksson - [link](#)):

- 2004: >200h e-cooler downtime due to water system & collector replacement
- 2006: Re-start after 2005 shutdown problematic due to **various machine issues**. E-cooler problems with water circuit and HV stability. 5 weeks total delay => physics start rescheduled
- 2014: Difficult start-up: **Orbit issues** and e-cooler HV stability
- 2018: Cathode/vacuum fault(s),

Transfer line elements



From D. Barna et al. – IPAC2014 - MOPRI101

ELENA Design – some features

Selected Features and Challenges

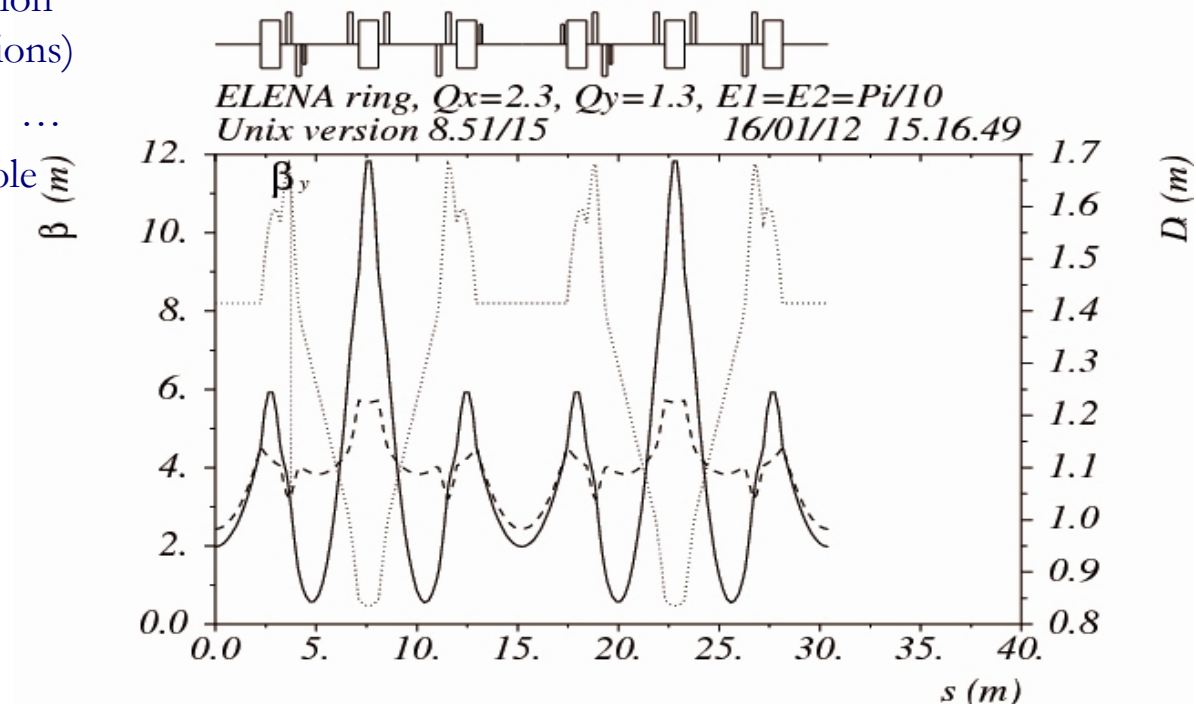


■ Energy Range

- Machine operated at an unusually low energy for a synchrotron (down to **100 keV!**)
- **Challenges mainly a consequence of the low energy**

■ Lattice

- Geometry of ring with position and strength of magnets
- **Constraints**
 - Long straight section with small dispersion for **electron cooling**
 - Geometry in **AD hall** (location of injection and two extractions)
 - Acceptances, working point ...
- **Many geometries** and quadrupole locations **investigated**
- Hexagonal shape and optics with periodicity two
- Tunes : $Q_X \approx 2.3$, $Q_Y \approx 1.3$ (e.g. $Q_X = 2.23$, $Q_Y = 1.23$)
- Acceptances: about $75 \mu\text{m}$ (depends on working point)



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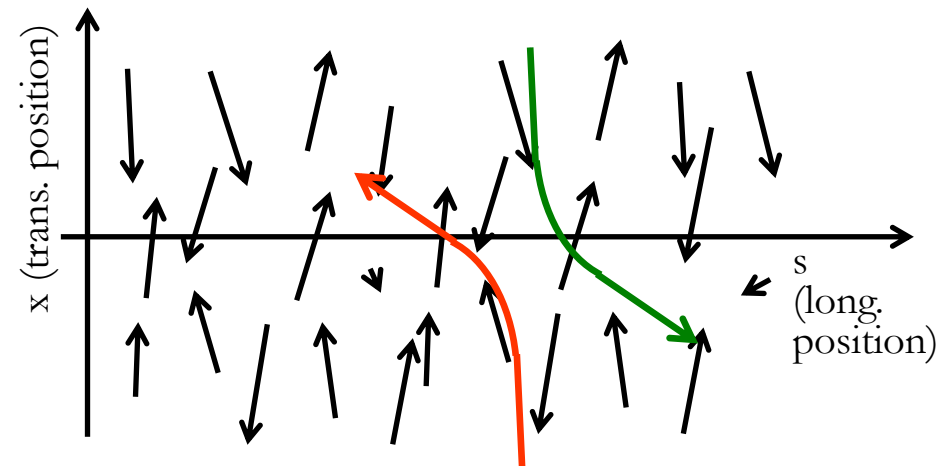
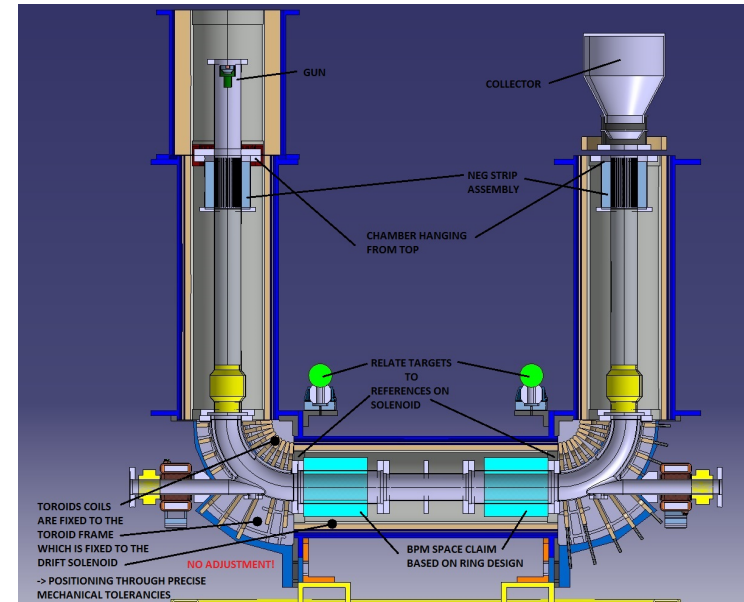
■ Electron cooling

- Essential ingredient of concept
- Cooling at intermediate plateau to **reduce losses** and the final energy 100 keV to **provide dense bunches**
- **Bunched beam cooling at 100 keV** to reduce momentum spread of short bunches
- Perturbations of magnetic system on circulating beam difficult to assess

■ Intra Beam Scattering IBS

- Coulomb scattering between beam particles
- Transfer of heat (unordered motion) between phase spaces (long. & transverse)
- Emittance blow-up

■ Characteristics of beam sent to experiments given by the equilibrium between these two effects



Intra Beam Scattering IBS – co-moving coord. system

■ Direct space charge effect

- Coulomb force between beam particles generate **non-linear defocusing force**
- Initial reason to split available intensity into 4 bunches

$$\Delta Q = -\frac{G_T r_p N_b}{2\pi\epsilon_x \beta^2 \gamma^3} \frac{G_L C}{l_b}$$

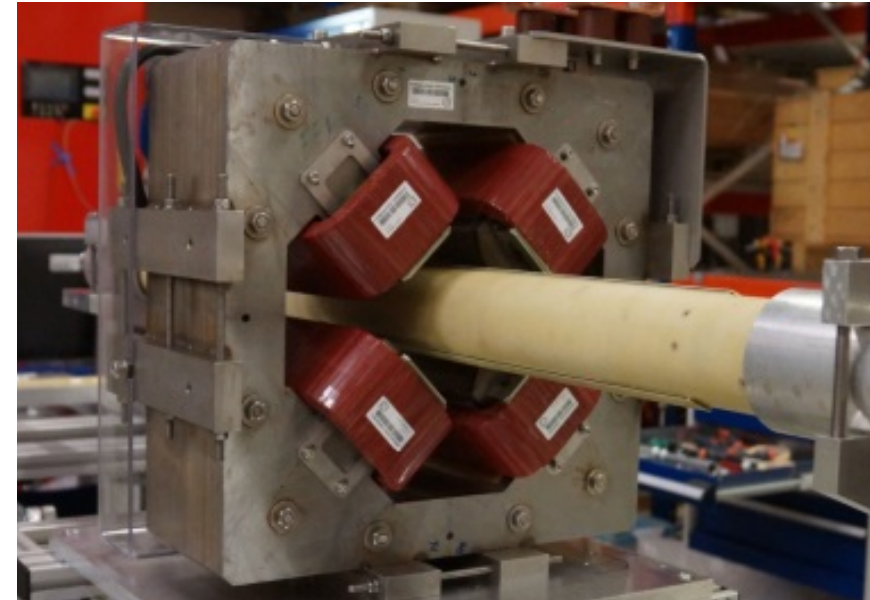
■ Magnets with very low fields

- Low energy beam sensitive **stray fields** and magnet imperfections due to **hysteresis & remanence**
- “**Thinning**” (mixing of stainless steel and magnetic laminations) **had been foreseen initially to improve**
- Careful magnetic measurement with pre-series quadrupoles showed smallest remanence with conventional yoke (no thinning)
- Observation confirmed with bending magnet prototype and understood now

⇒ **Magnet thinning does NOT improve field quality at low fields**, but rather increases remanence effects

⇒ ELENA bending magnets, quadrupoles and sextupoles made with conventional yokes

- (Corrector magnets without yokes)



Prototype quadrupole to investigate magnet “thinning” on the measurement bench

- **Rest gas interactions** and vacuum system
 - $3 \cdot 10^{-12}$ Torr nominal pressure - **fully baked machine with NEGs** wherever possible (technical problems as peel-off with NEG coating of stainless steel chambers)
 - Interactions of beam with rest gas to be evaluated with care, **not the dominant limitation**
- **Beam diagnostics** with very **low intensities and energy**
 - E.g.: beam currents down to well below $1 \mu\text{A}$ far beyond reach standard slow BCTs
 - ➡ Intensity of coasting beam measured with **Schottky diagnostics** (observing noise generated by coasting beam on a pick-up, special pick-ups design to limit background noise)
- **Electrostatic transfer lines to experiments**
 - **Cost effective** at very low energies
 - **Many quadrupoles** allow a design with small “betatron functions” and large “betatron phase advance” (small beam sizes) **limiting impact from stray fields**
 - **Easier for shielding against magnetic stray fields**
- **RF system** with modest voltages, but very large dynamic range (**$1.04 \text{ MHz} - 144 \text{ KHz } f_{\text{rev}}$**)
- **H⁻ and proton source** (and electrostatic acceleration to **100 keV**) for **commissioning**
 - **Commissioning independent of AD**, antiprotons kept as much as possible for experiments
 - **Higher repetition rate** but start commissioning at the difficult low energy part of the cycle
 - Still, antiprotons needed to complete ELENA ring commissioning