

Lecture 1 - Overview of Accelerators

ACCELERATOR PHYSICS

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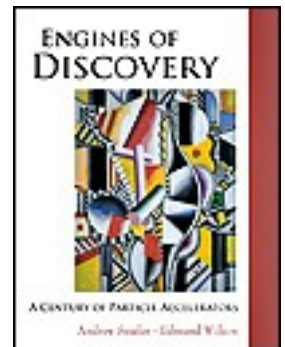
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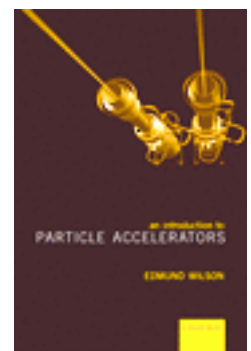
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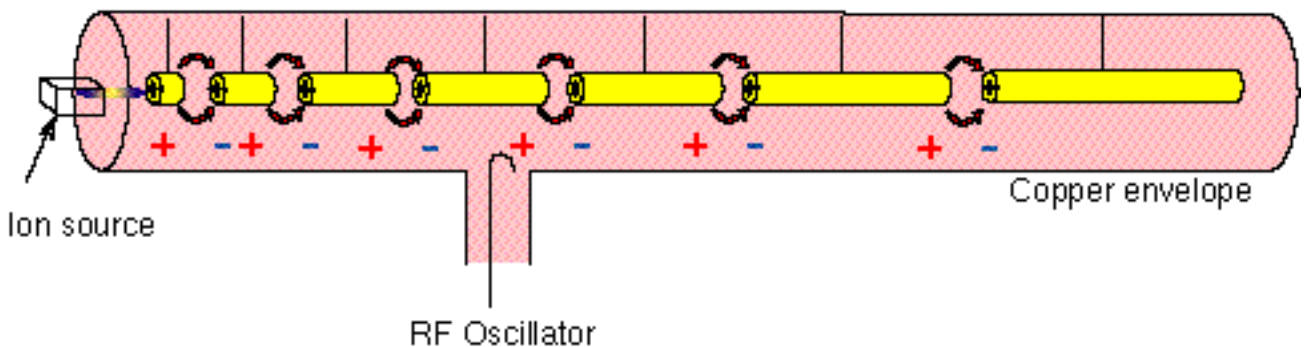
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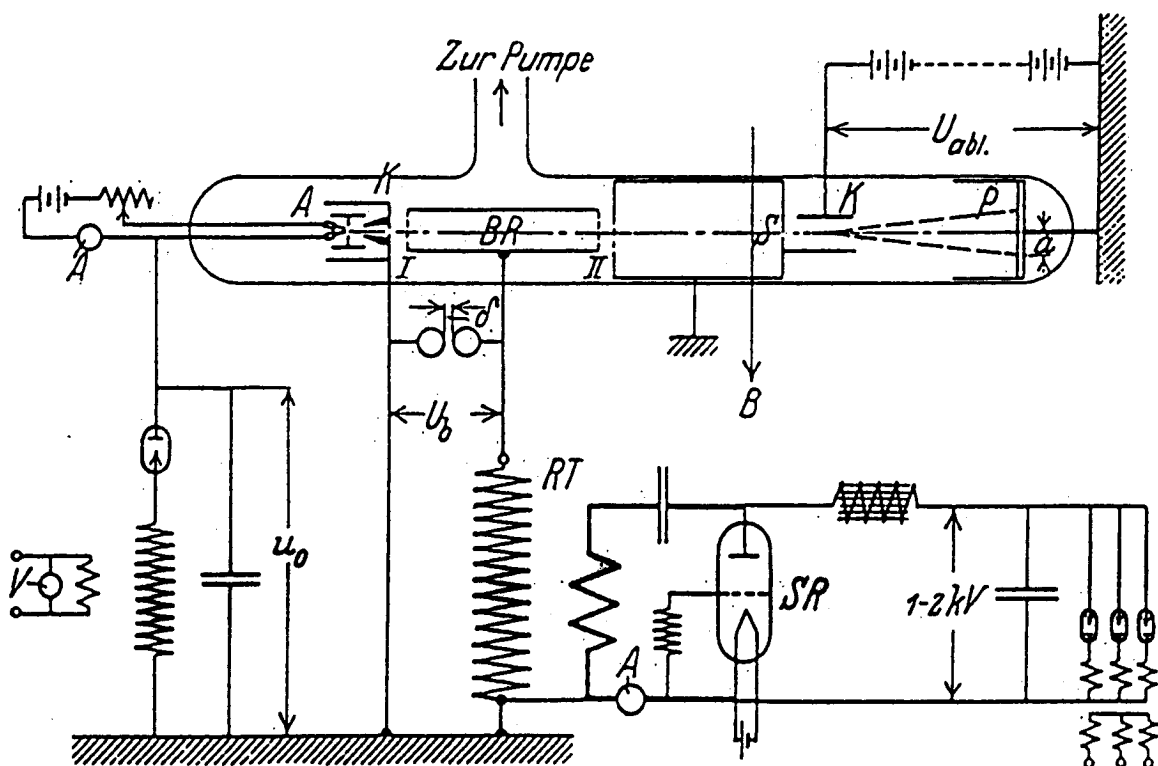
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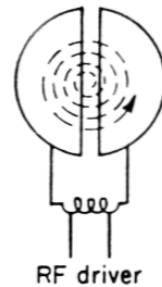
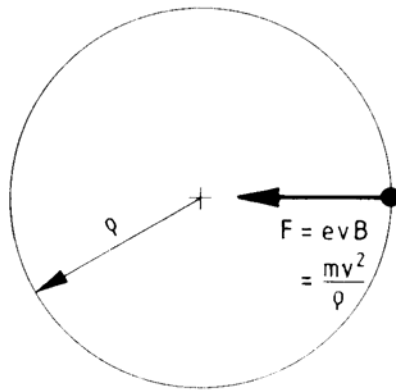
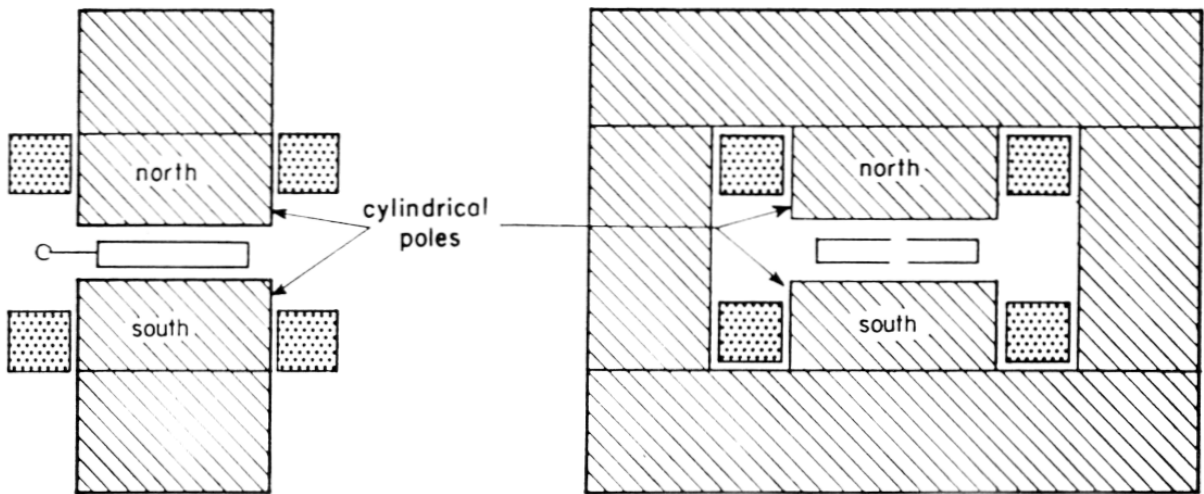
Linear accelerator



- ◆ Particle gains energy at each gap
- ◆ Lengths of drift tubes follow increasing velocity
- ◆ Spacing becomes regular as v approaches c
- ◆ Wideroe's first linac:



Cyclotron



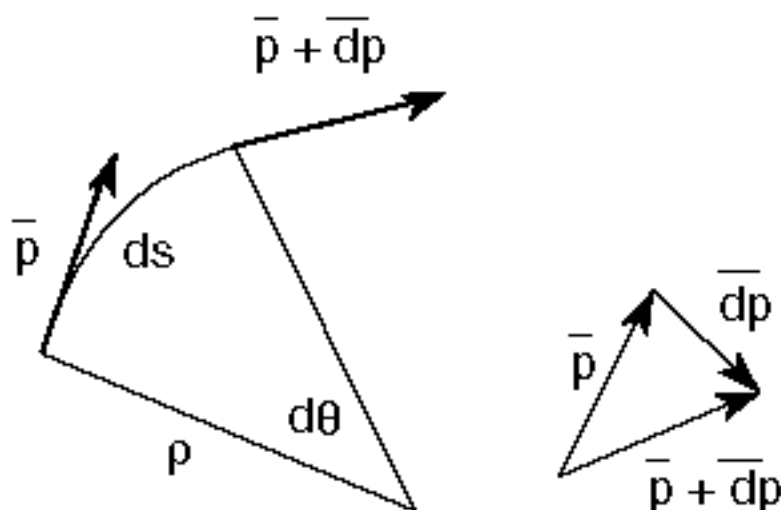
Magnetic rigidity

$$B\rho = \frac{mv}{e} = \frac{p}{e}$$

Constant revolution frequency

$$f_{rev} = \frac{v}{2\pi\rho} = \frac{v}{2\pi} \frac{eB}{mv} = \frac{eB}{2\pi m}$$

Magnetic Rigidity



$$e \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B} = \frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt}$$

- ◆ from resolution of momenta that:

$$\frac{d\mathbf{p}}{dt} = |\mathbf{p}| \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{|\mathbf{p}|}{\rho} \frac{ds}{dt}$$

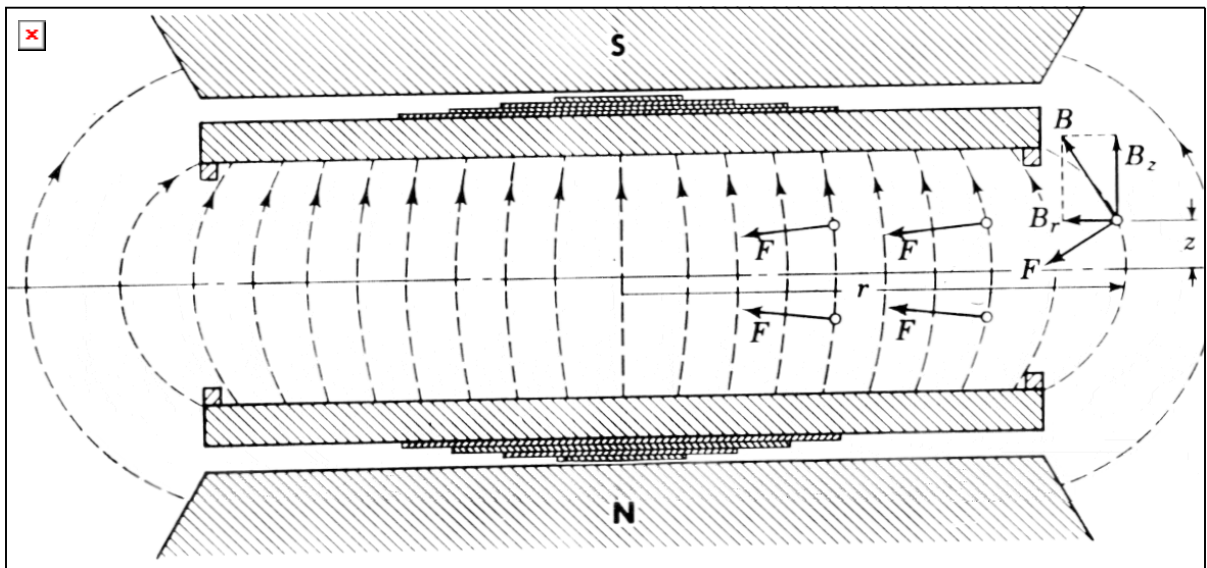
- ◆ the magnitude of the force may be written:

$$e|\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}| = e|\mathbf{B}| \frac{ds}{dt}$$

- ◆ Equating the right hand sides of the two expressions above, we find we can define a quantity known as magnetic rigidity:
- ◆ A common convention in charged particle dynamics is to quote pc in units of electron–volts. Whereupon:

$$(B\rho)[T.m] = \frac{pc[eV]}{c[m.s^{-1}]} = 3.3356(pc)$$

Vertical Focusing

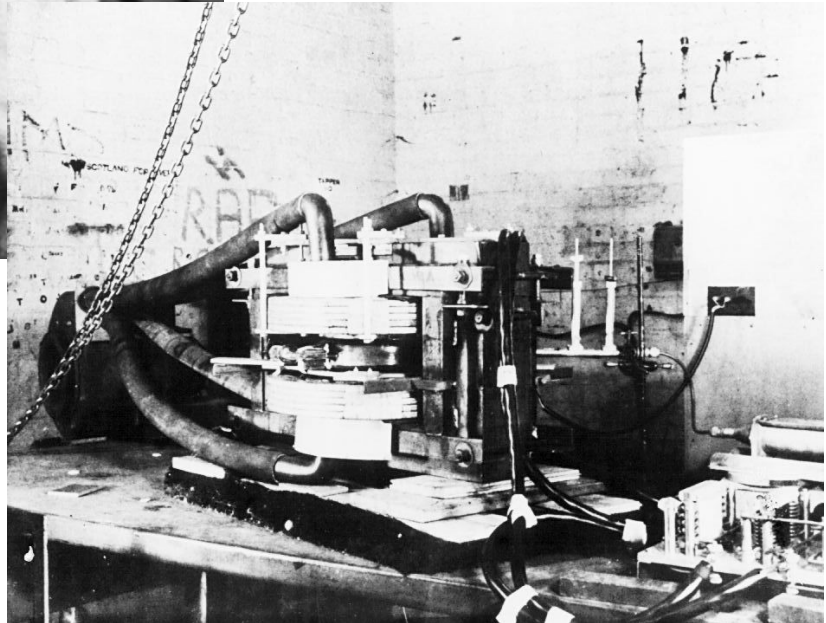


- ◆ People just got on with the job of building them.
- ◆ Then one day someone was experimenting
- ◆ Figure shows the principle of vertical focusing in a cyclotron
- ◆ In fact the shims did not do what they had been expected to do
- ◆ Nevertheless the cyclotron began to accelerate much higher currents

Discovery of the Synchrotron

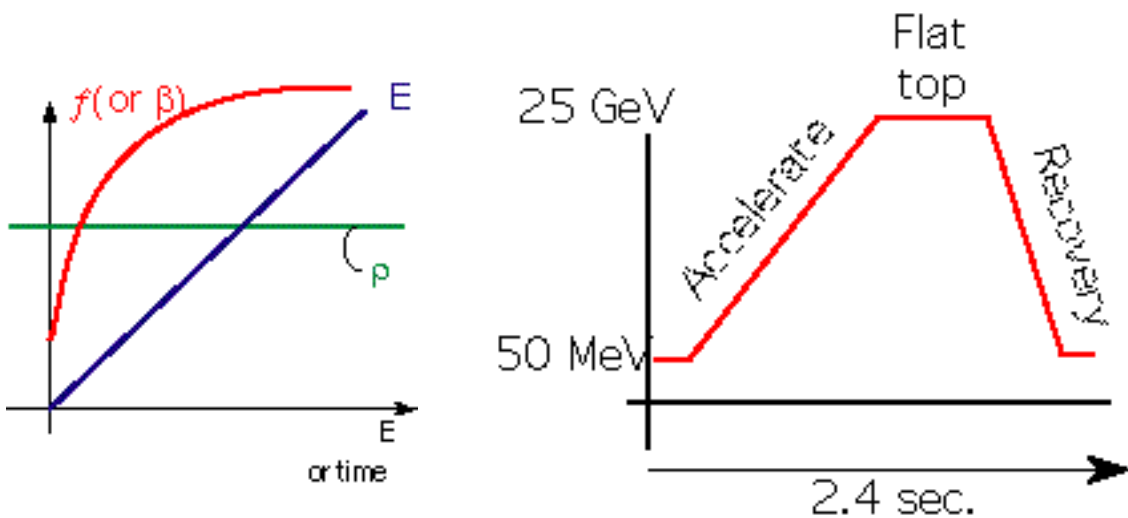
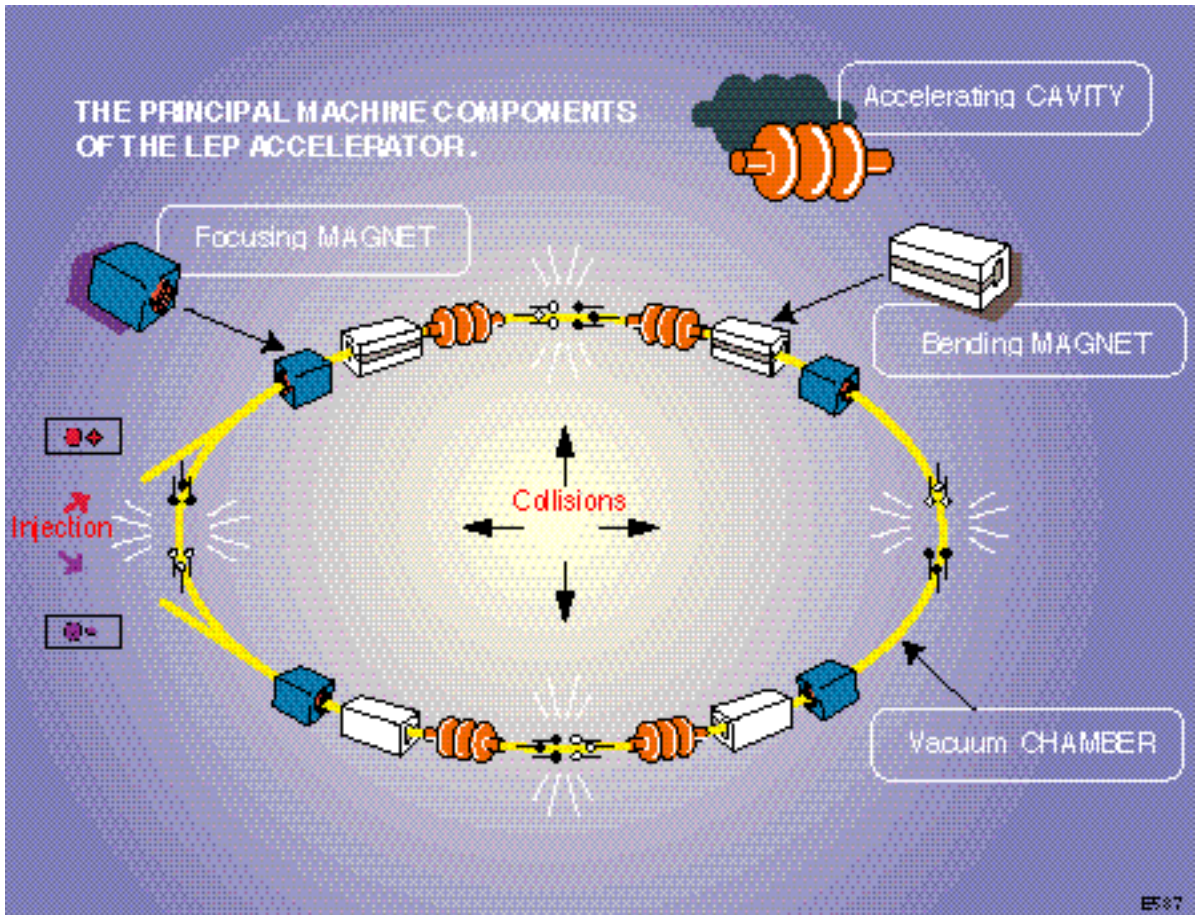


- ◆ **Marcus Oliphant— later to become Governor of South Australia**

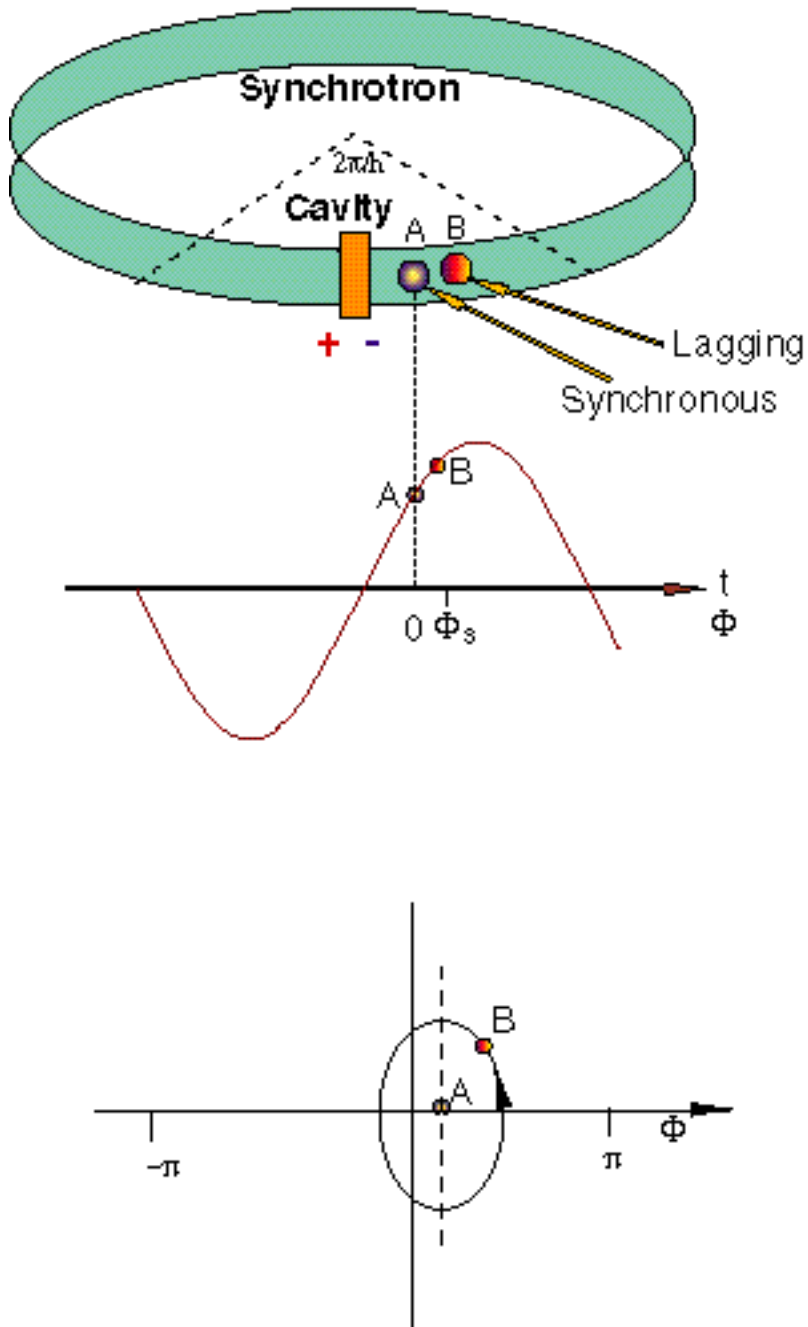


- ◆ **The Arsenal Synchrotron- Late in World War II the Woolwich Arsenal Research Laboratory in the UK had bought a betatron to "X-ray" unexploded bombs in the streets of London. Frank Goward converted the betatron into the first “proof of principal”**

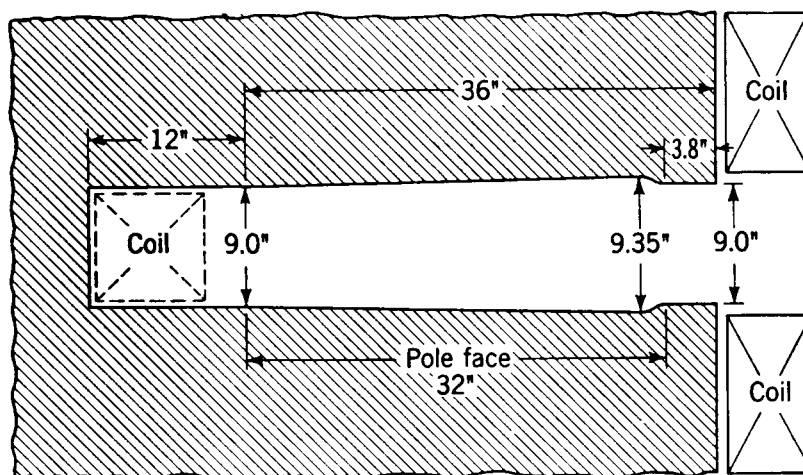
Components of a synchrotron



Phase stability



Weak focusing in a synchrotron

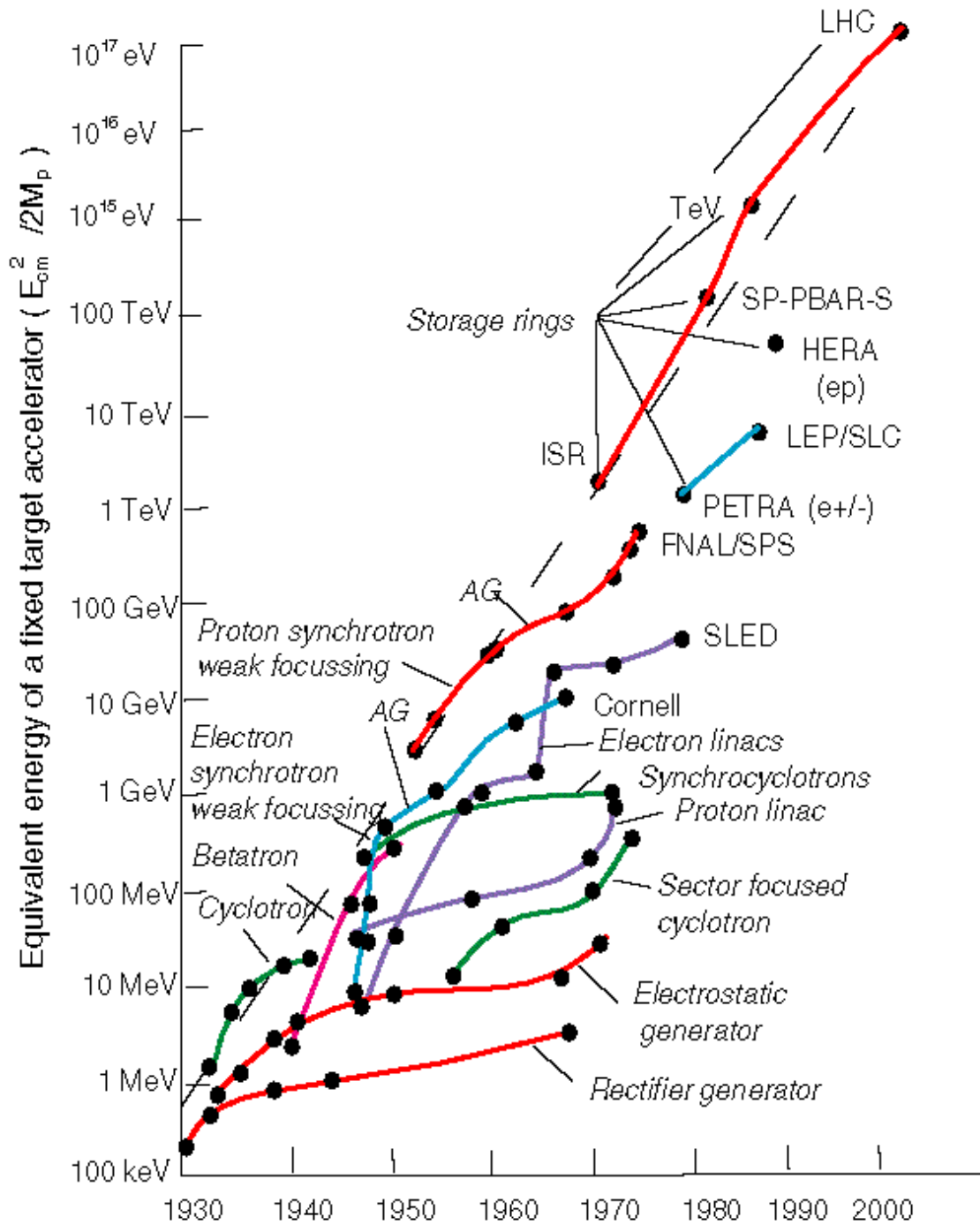


The Cosmotron magnet

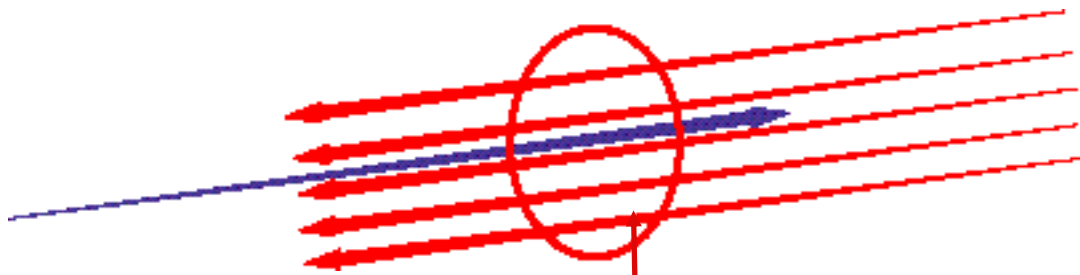


- ◆ Vertical focusing comes from the curvature of the field lines when the field falls off with radius (positive n-value)
- ◆ Horizontal focusing from the curvature of the path
- ◆ The negative field gradient defocuses horizontally and must not be so strong as to cancel the path curvature effect

The history of accelerators



Luminosity



◆ Imagine a blue particle colliding with a beam of cross section area - A

◆ Probability of collision is

$$\frac{\sigma}{A} \cdot N$$

◆ For N particles in both beams

◆ Suppose they meet f times per second at the revolution frequency

◆ Event rate

$$f_{rev} = \frac{\beta c}{2\pi R}$$

$$\frac{f_{rev} N^2}{A} \cdot \sigma$$

Make big

e.g. 10^{-25}

Make small

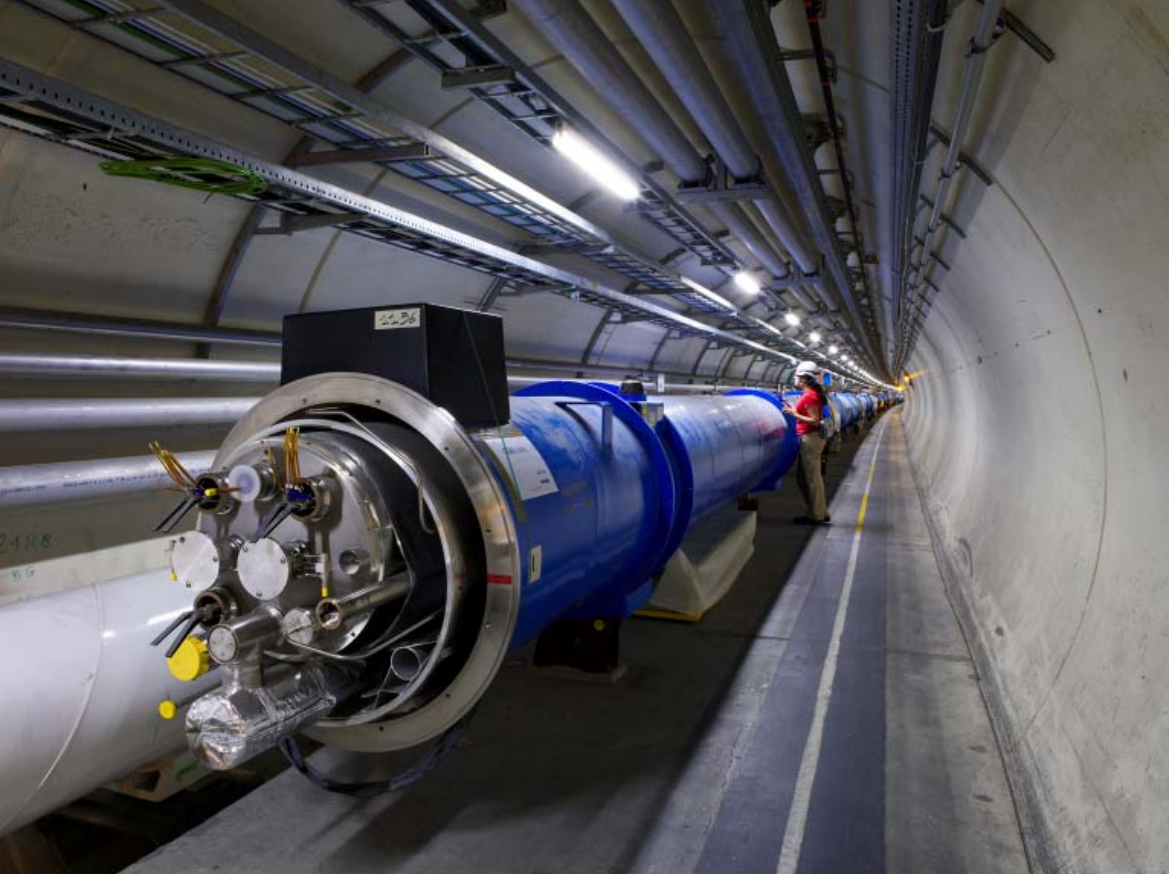
LUMINOSITY

$$\approx 10^{30} \text{ to } 10^{34} \text{ [cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}\text{]}$$

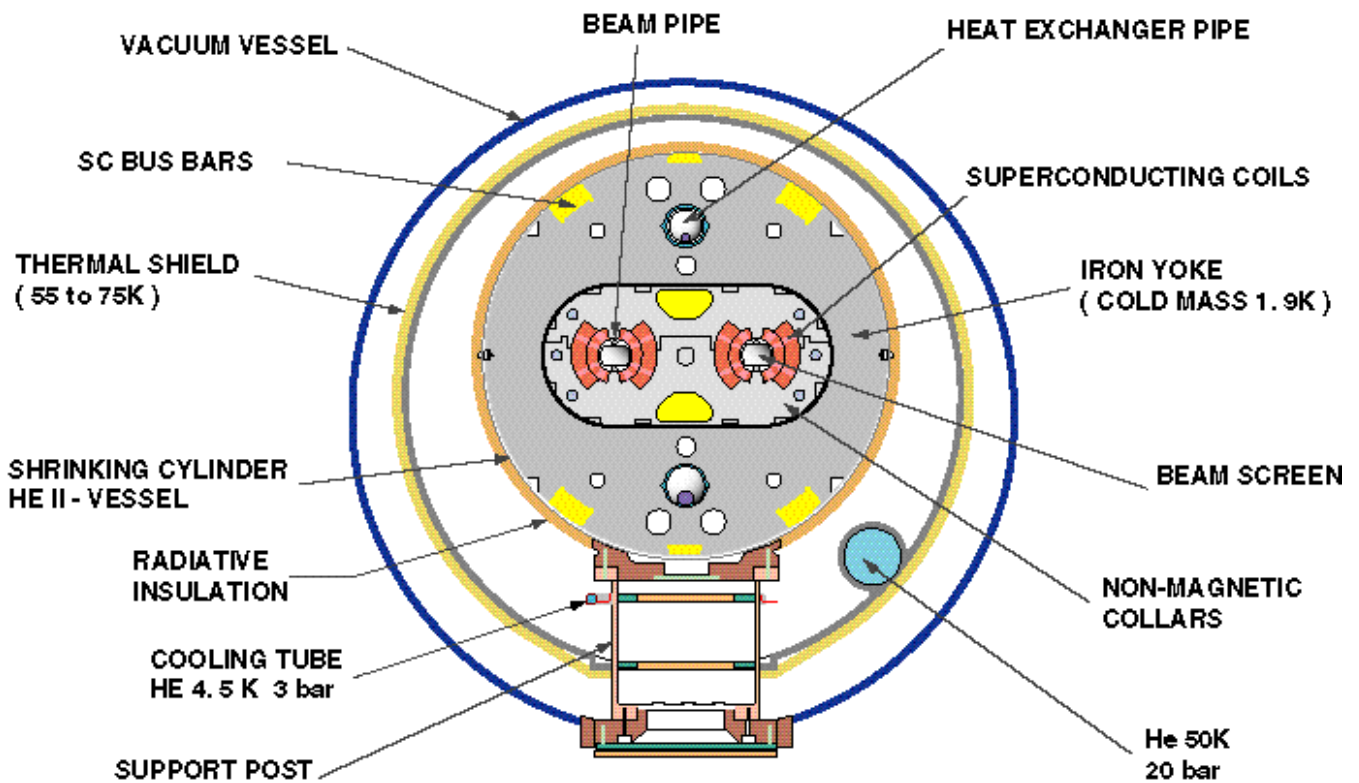




The Large Hadron Collider (LHC)



Superconducting magnets



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