



Unit 3 - Lecture 6

Non-resonant Accelerators

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Present motivations



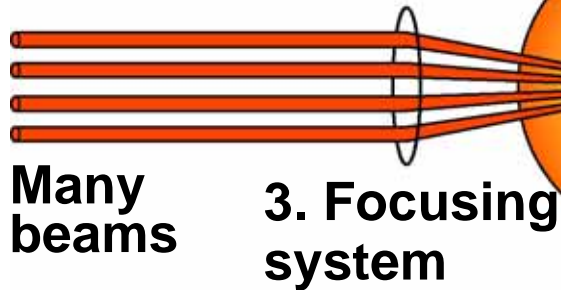
Components of an inertial fusion power plant



1. Driver
(accelerator or laser)
to heat and compress
the target to ignition

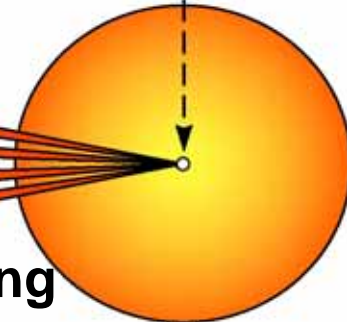


2. Targets (and a factory
to produce about 5 per second)

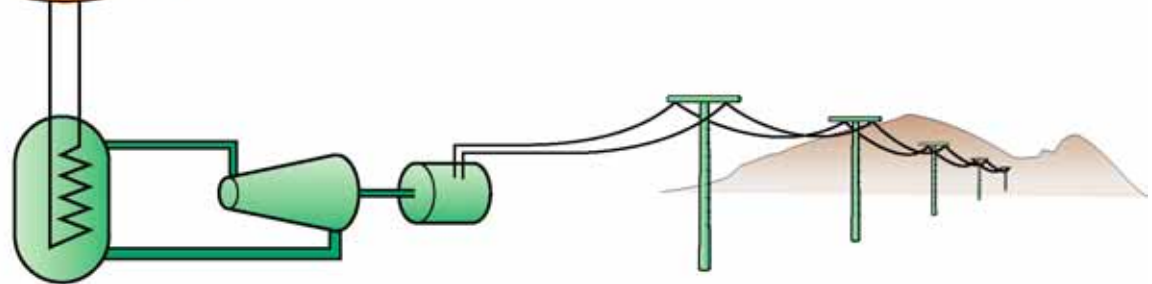


**Many
beams**

**3. Focusing
system**



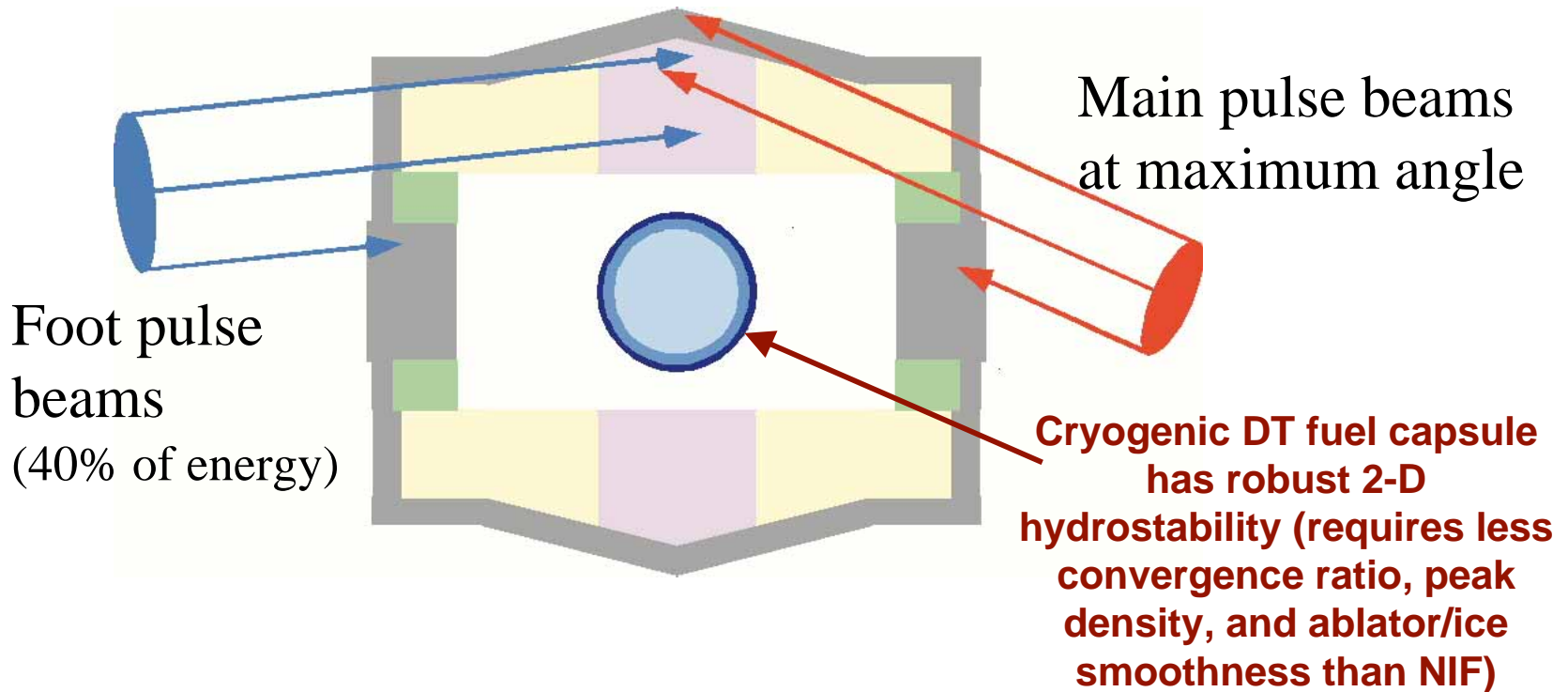
4. Fusion chamber to recover
the fusion energy pulses from
the target



5. Steam plant to convert
fusion heat into electricity



Target design is a variation of the distributed radiator target (DRT)



New design allows beams to come in from larger angle, $\sim 24^\circ$ off axis.

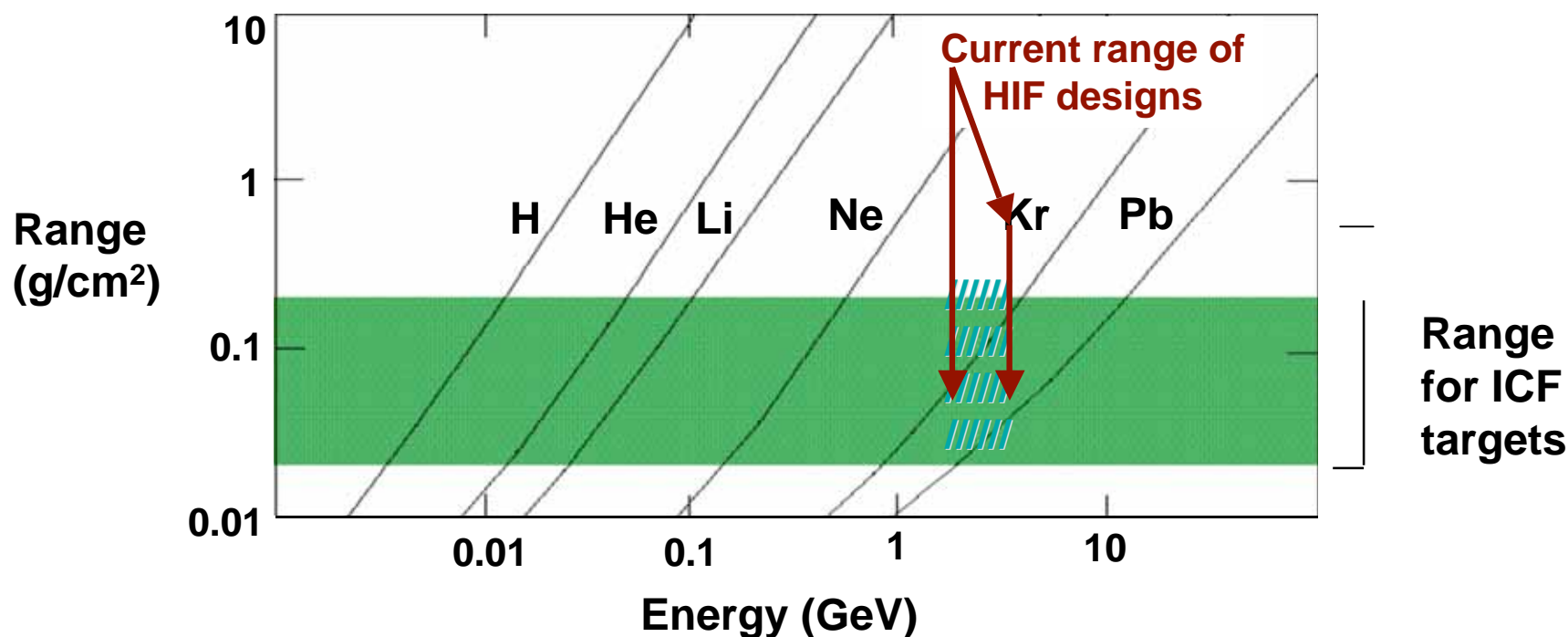
Yield = 400 MJ, Gain = 57 at $E_{\text{driver}} = 7$ MJ



Heavier ions ==> higher voltage ==> lower current beams



- Collective effects are reduced with heaviest ions
 - More energy/particle ==> fewer particles ($\sim 10^{15}$ total ions).
- Cost tradeoff: lower mass ions ==> lower voltage ==> lower cost
 - Compromise with 2.5 GeV Xenon.
- SC magnets can confine beam against its space charge during acceleration.





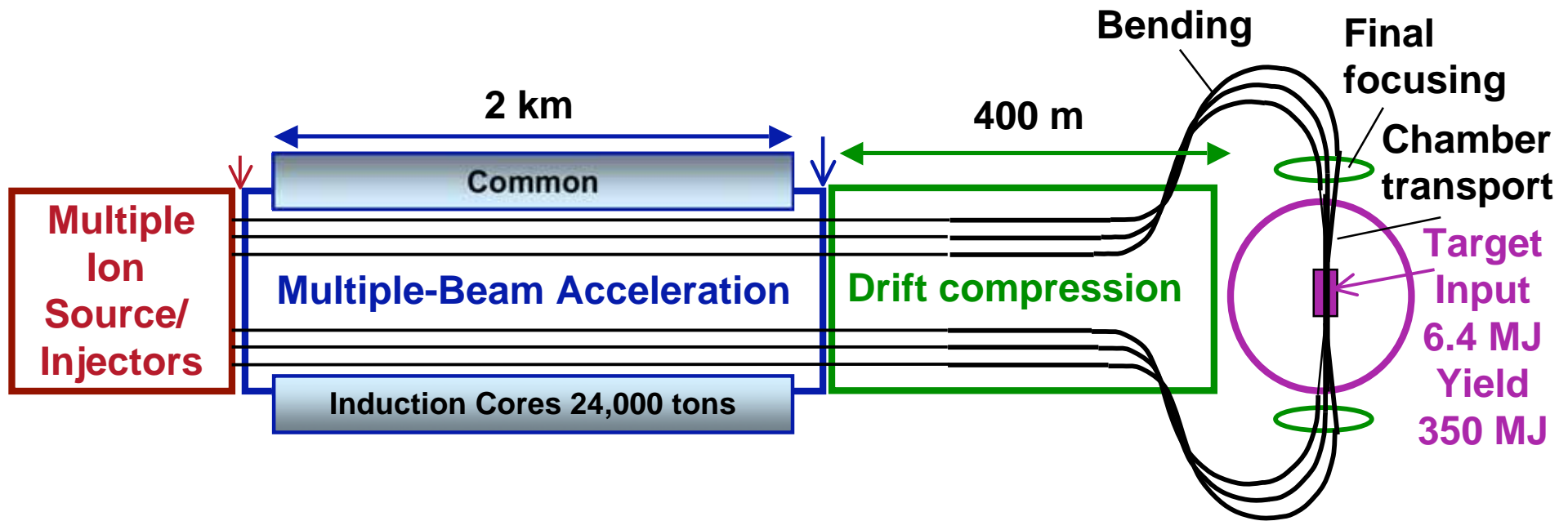
Beam requirements for HIF



- ✱ Representative set of parameters for indirect-drive targets
 - 500 Terawatts of beam power
 - beam pulse length ~ 10 ns
 - range $0.02 - 0.2 \text{ g/cm}^2$
 - focus such a large beam to a spot of $\sim 1-5$ mm radius
 - desired focal length ~ 6 m (maximum chamber size)
- ✱ Basic requirements \implies certain design choices
 - parallel acceleration of multiple beams
 - acceleration of needed charge in a single beam is uneconomical
 - emittance required to focus single large beam extremely difficult



2.5 GeV 112-beam fusion driver: 6.4 MJ of Xe⁺¹

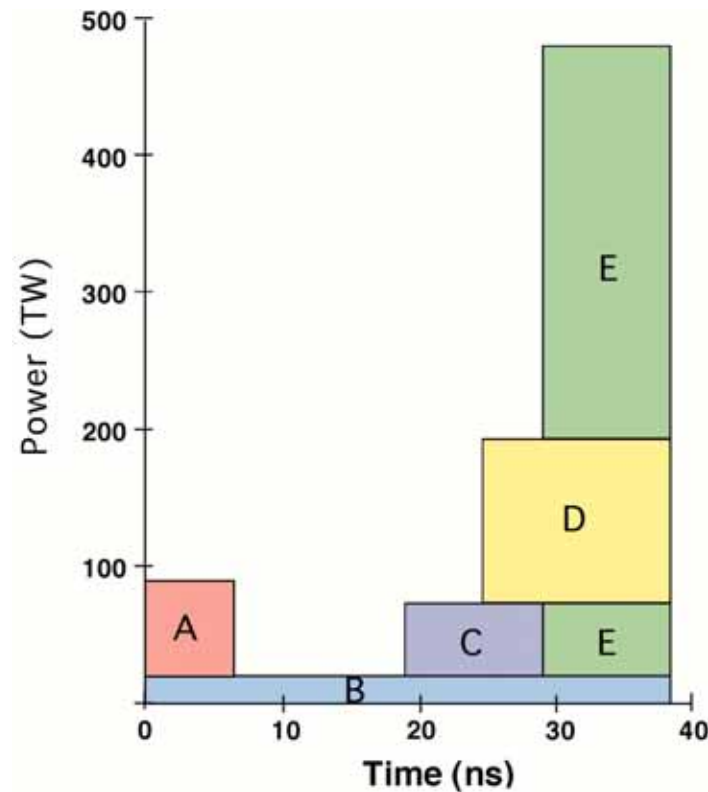


24,000 tonne induction cores

\$720M hardware, \$1 B direct, \$2.1 B total capital cost



How could one produce such energetic monolithic pulses?





Transformers are highly efficient and can drive large currents



Large units can transfer $> 99\%$ of input power to the output

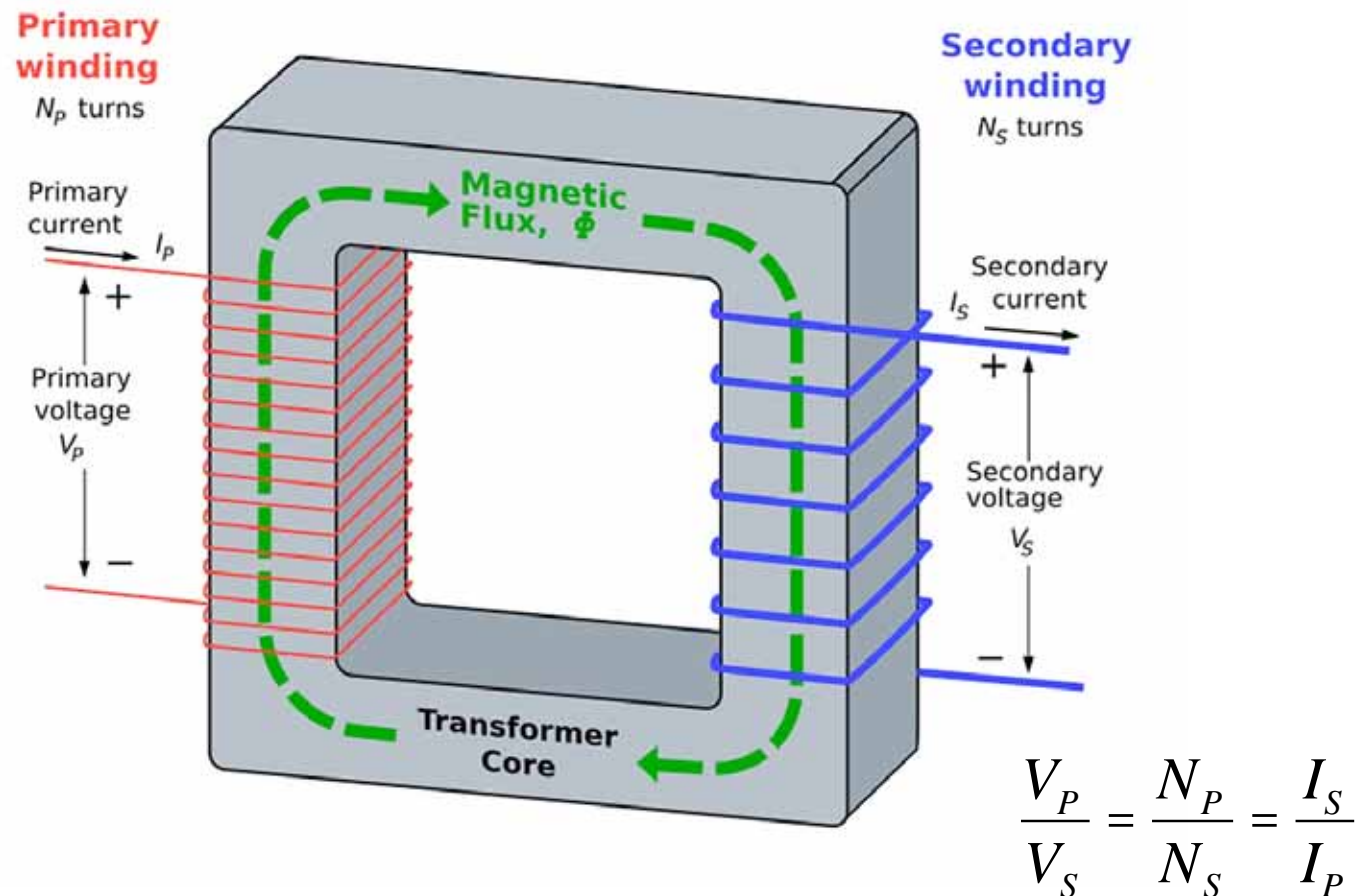
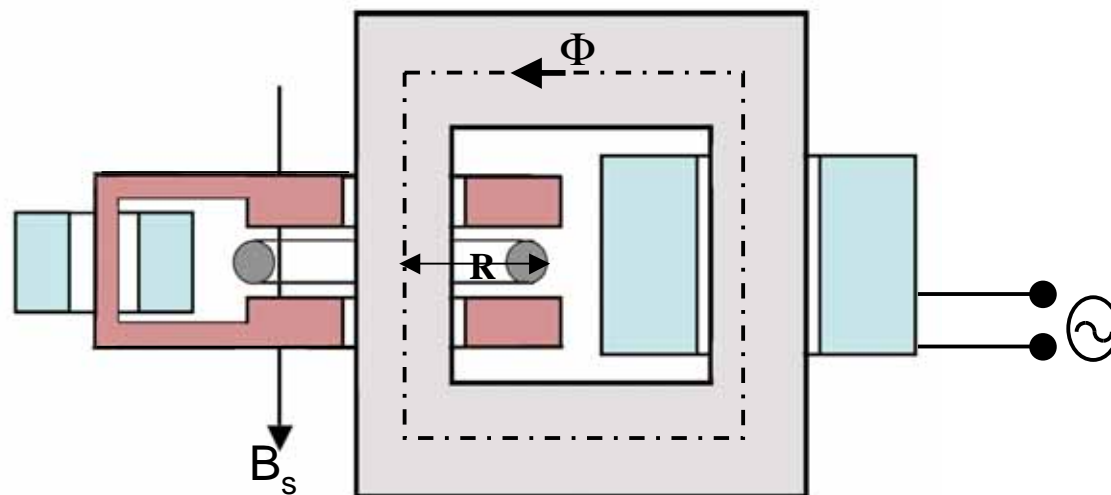


Image of step-down transformer from Wikipedia



Recall the ray transformer realized as the Betatron (D. Kerst, 1940)



The beam acts as a 1-turn secondary winding of the transformer

Magnetic field energy is transferred directly to the electrons

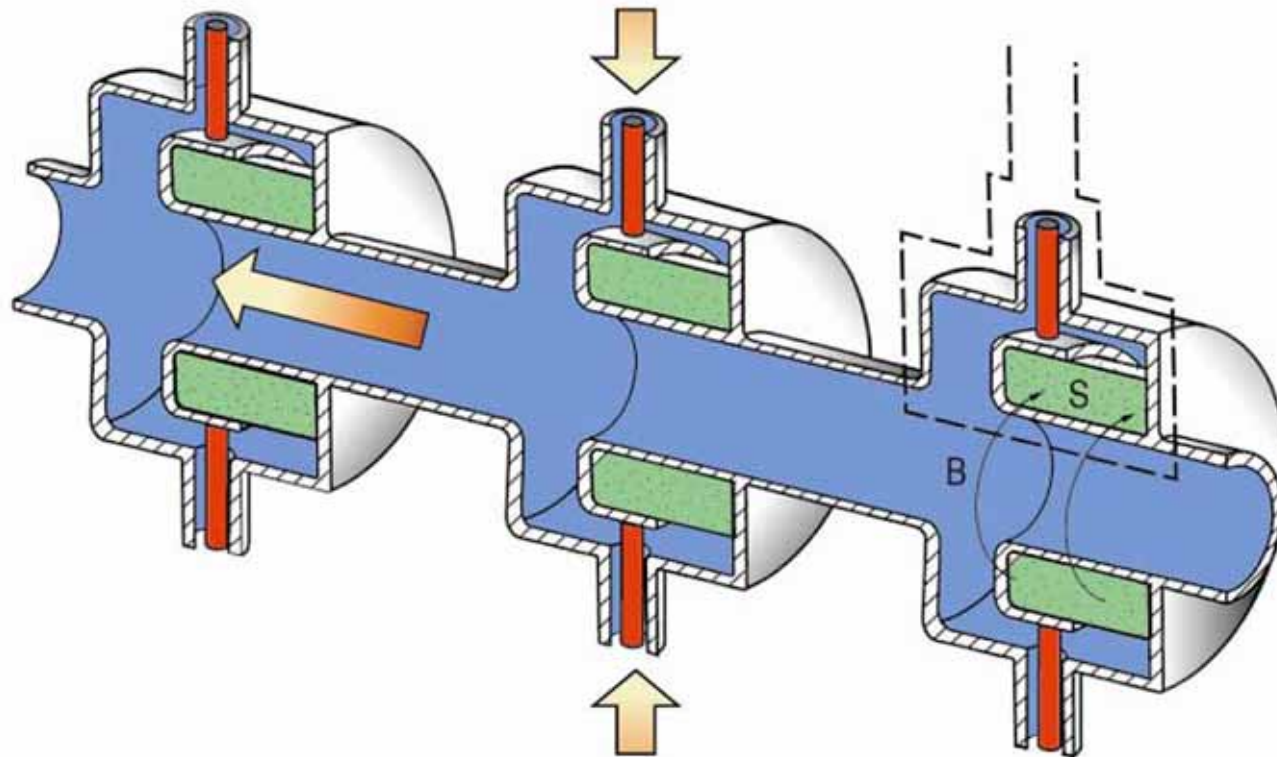
For the orbit size to remain invariant

$$\dot{\Phi} = 2\pi R^2 \dot{B}_s$$

This was good for up to 300 MeV electrons. What about electrons or ions?



Linear Betatron: Linear Induction Accelerator could accelerate ions

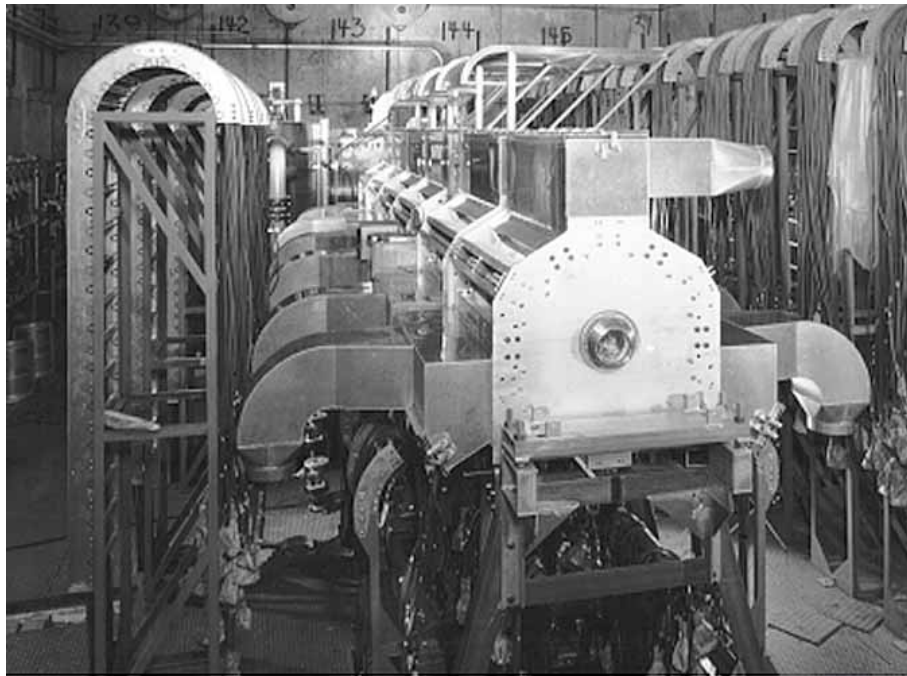


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$$\oint_C \mathbf{E} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_S \mathbf{B} \cdot d\mathbf{s}$$



Linear induction accelerators & fusion

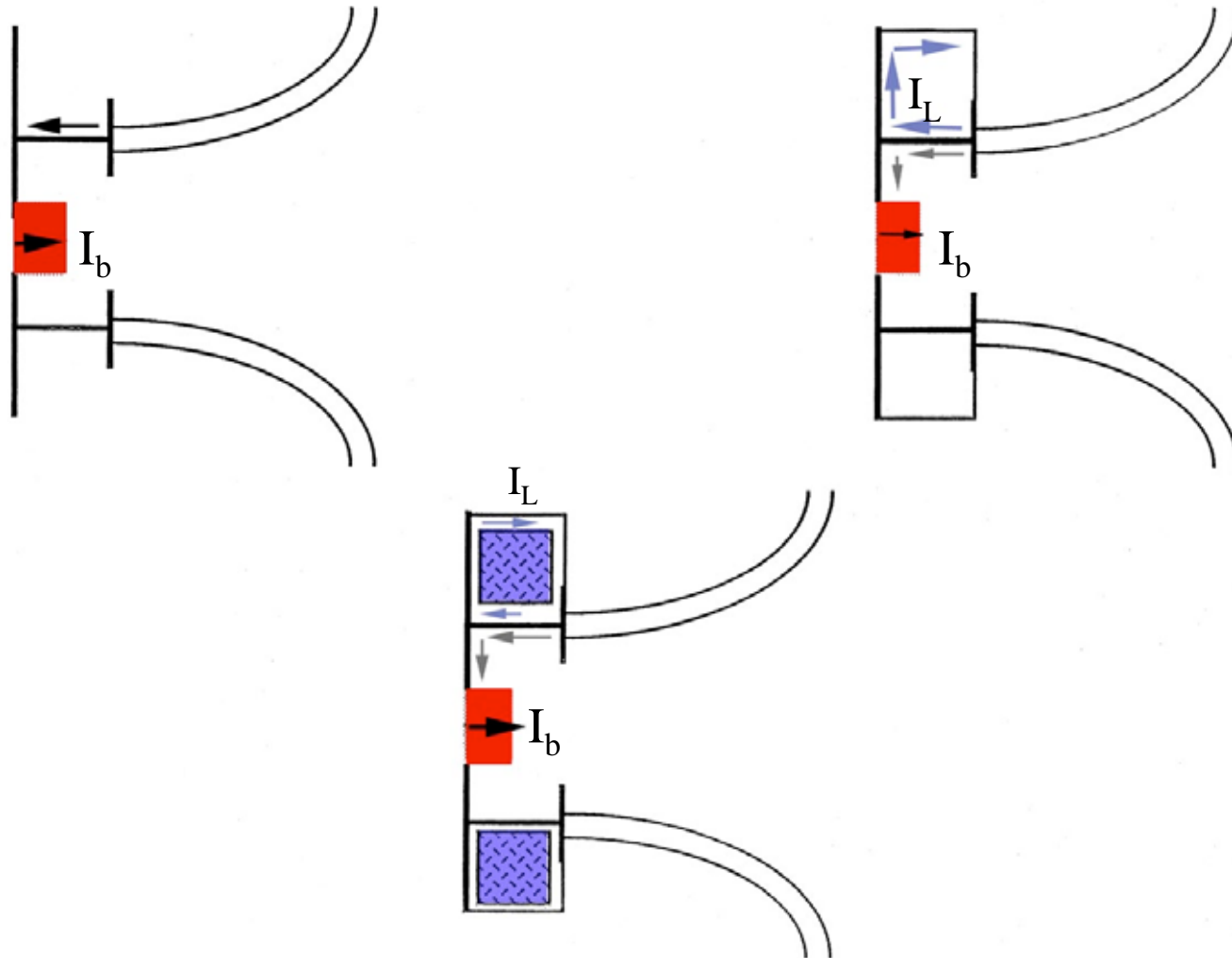


**Astron-I Induction linac (1963)
& the Astron CTR experiment**





Principle of inductive isolation





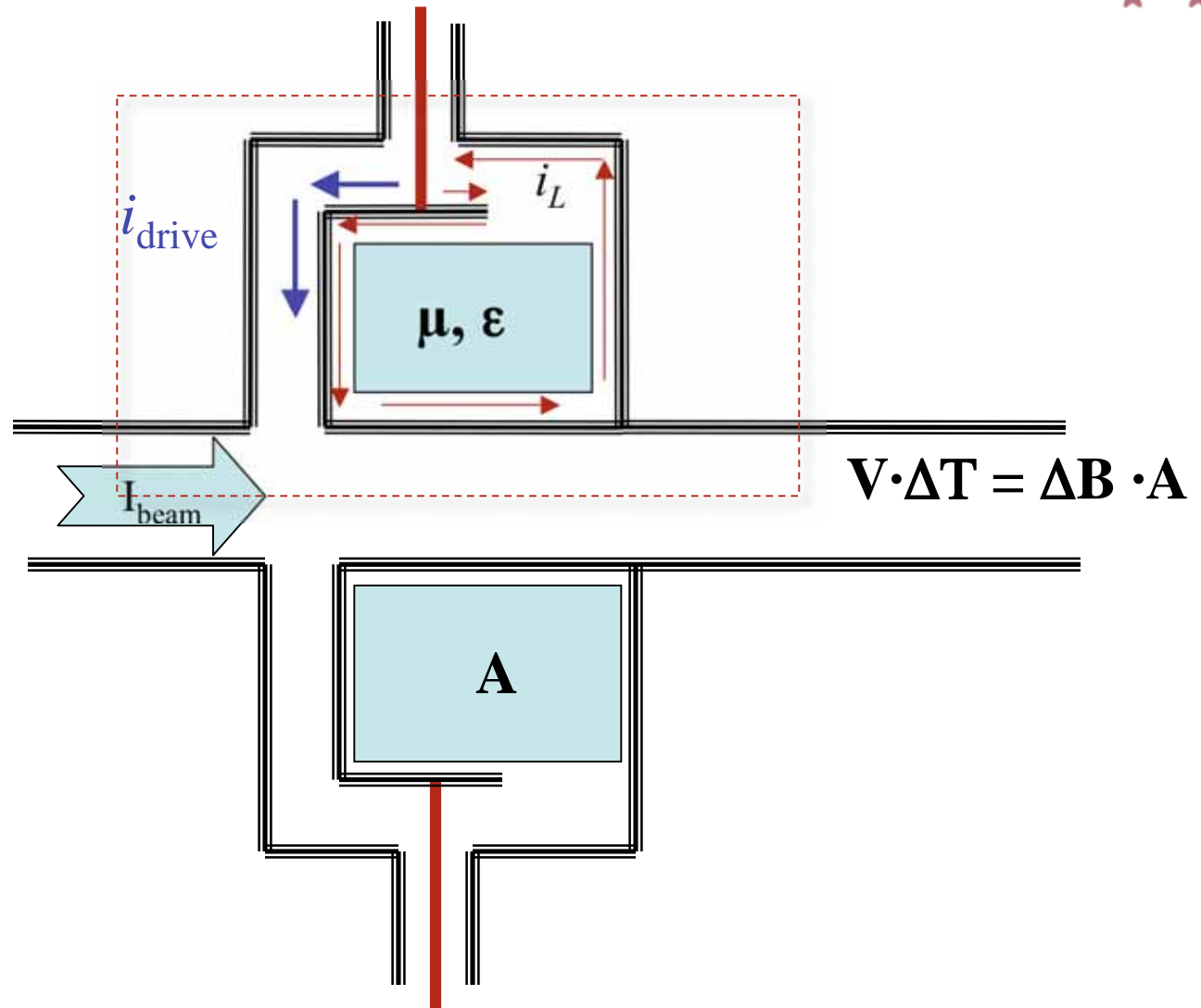
Properties of inductive geometry



1. Leakage inductance: $L = (\mu/2\pi) \ln(R_o/R_i)$
 - a) $i_L = (V_o/L)t$
2. Ferromagnetic core reduces the leakage current and slows the speed of the shorting wave until the core saturates
3. Load current does not encircle the core
 - a) Pulse drive properties not core properties limit I_b
4. Field across the gap is quasi-electrostatic
5. Within the core electrostatic & inductive voltages cancel
 - a) The structure is at ground potential



Current flow in the induction core





Realistic cross-section of a small induction cell

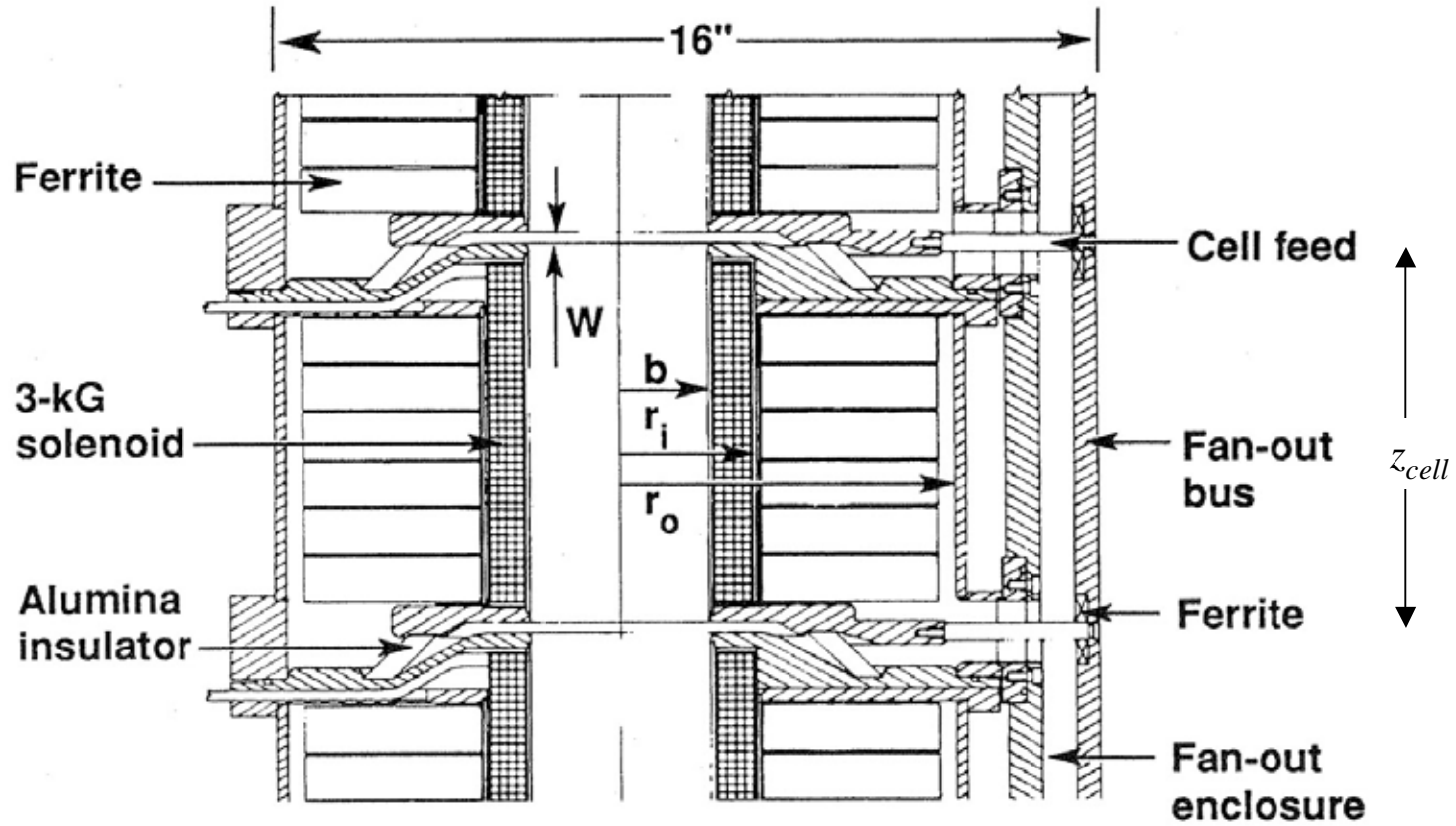
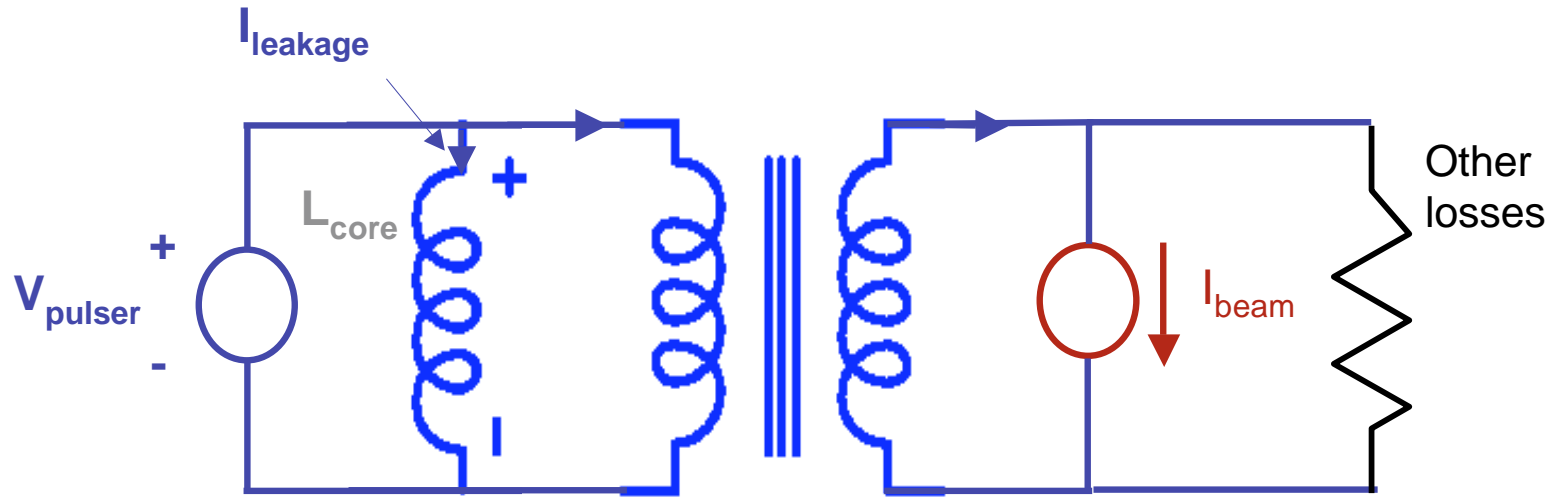


Fig. 5 Typical cross section of low-gamma ten-cell module.



What is the equivalent circuit





Characteristics of coaxial transmission lines



Wave velocity:

$$v_g = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}} = \frac{c}{\sqrt{\mu_r\epsilon_r}}$$

Core impedance:

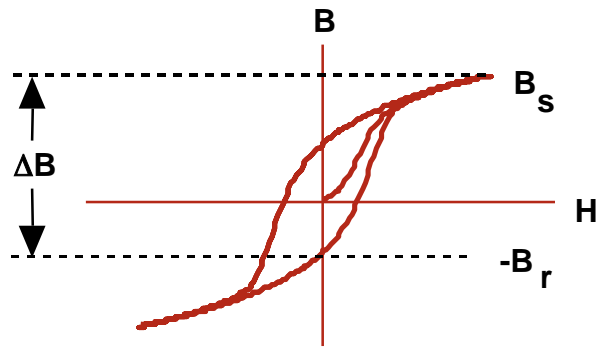
$$Z_{core} = \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}} = 120\pi \sqrt{\frac{\mu_r}{\epsilon_r}} \text{ Ohms}$$

Characteristic impedance:

$$Z = \left(\frac{L}{C}\right)^{1/2} = \frac{Z_{core}}{2\pi} \ln\left(\frac{r_o}{r_i}\right) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\epsilon}} \ln\left(\frac{r_o}{r_i}\right) = 60 \sqrt{\frac{\mu_r}{\epsilon_r}} \ln\left(\frac{r_o}{r_i}\right)$$



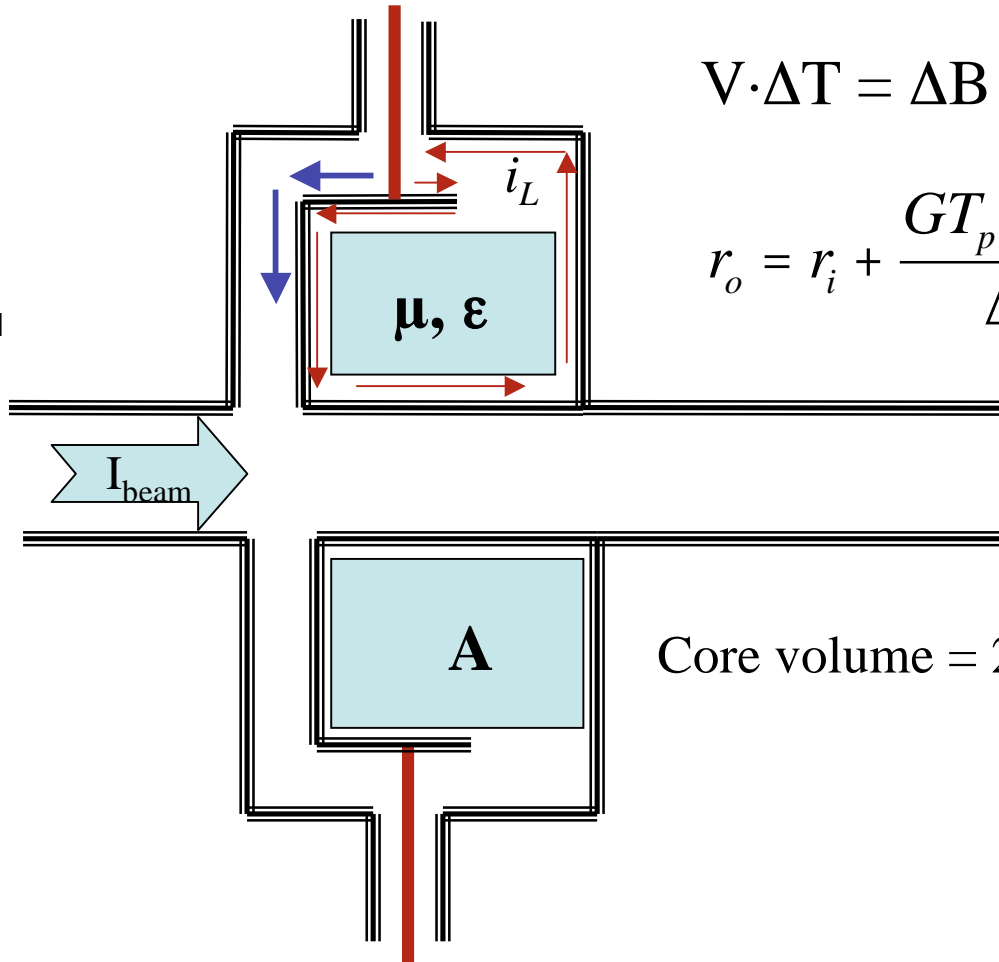
Volt-seconds, gradient (G) & inner radius set the induction core size



Core hysteresis loop

Leakage current magnetizes core

$$i_L = \frac{V}{L_c} t$$



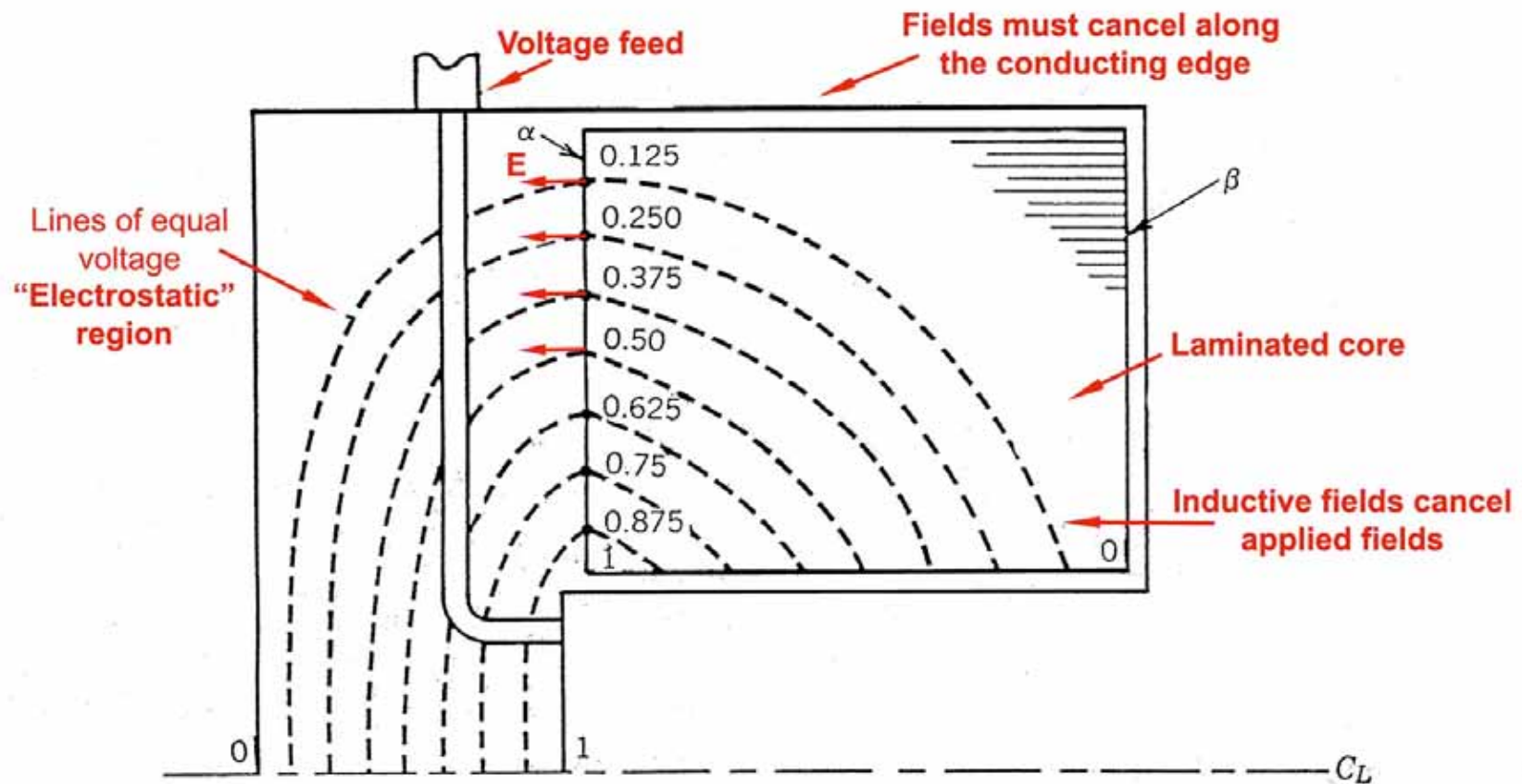
$$V \cdot \Delta T = \Delta B \cdot A \implies$$

$$r_o = r_i + \frac{GT_p / f_{pack}}{\Delta B}$$

$$\text{Core volume} = 2\pi A(r_o + r_i)$$



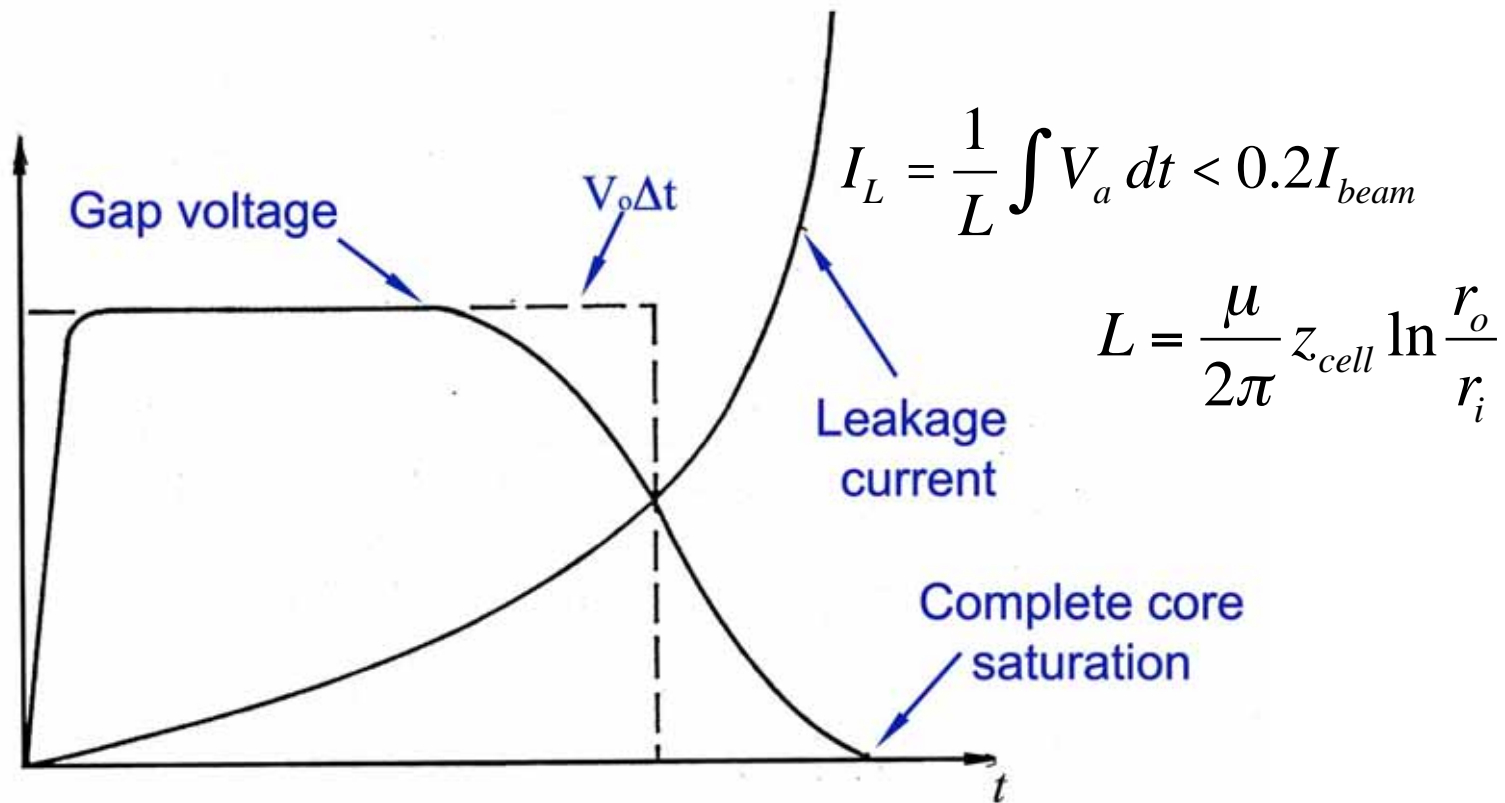
Distribution of voltages in induction core (no local saturation)



Laminating the core reduces eddy current losses & allows fields to penetrate through the core



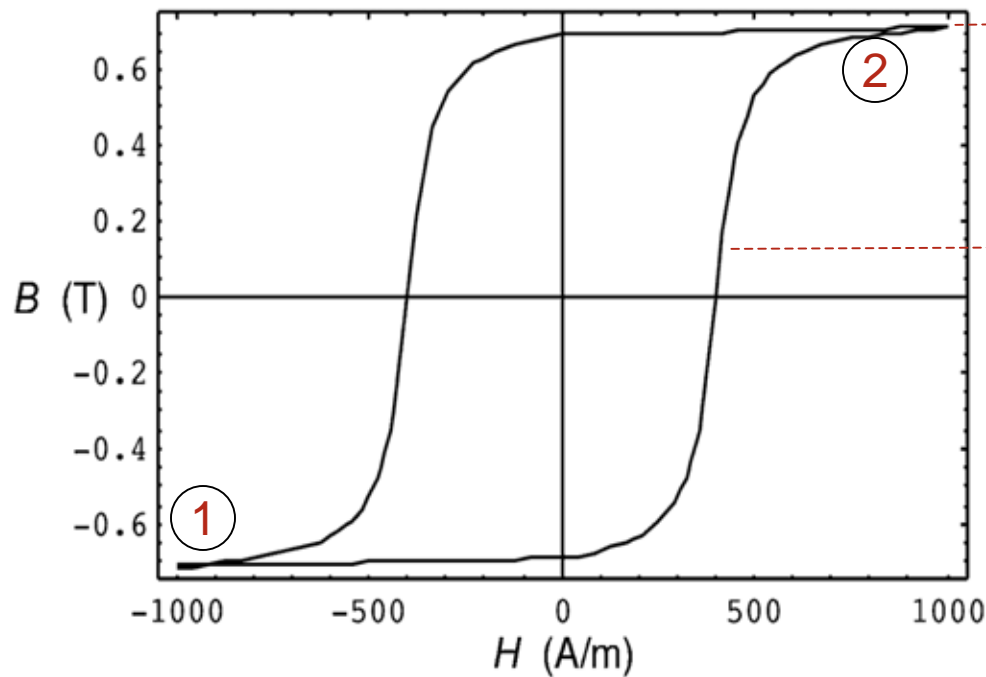
Voltage & leakage current behavior at saturation



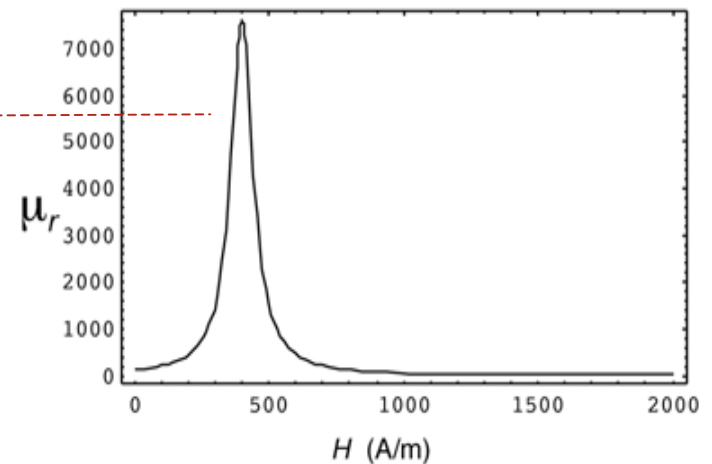
$$\mathfrak{R}_{core\ loss} = \frac{\pi}{\mu} G T_p^2 \left(\ln \frac{r_o}{r_i} \right)^{-1}$$



Hysteresis losses in induction cell



$\mu/\mu_0 \sim 1$



B-H hysteresis model curve at $\tau_{\text{sat}}=500$ nsec for Co-amorphous

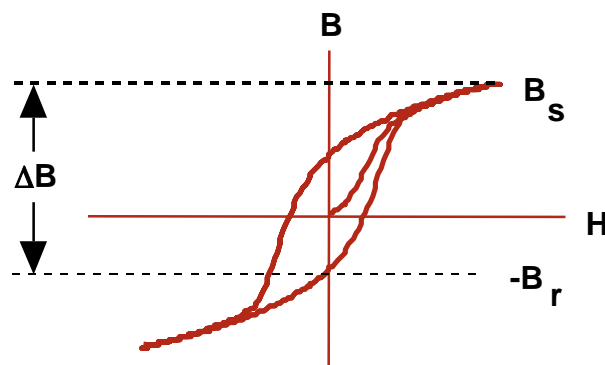
State 1 \Rightarrow State 2: Drive
State 2 \Rightarrow State 1: Reset
Area = Hysteresis loss



Resetting the cores



- ✱ Before the core can be pulsed again it must be reset to $-B_r$
- ✱ Properties of the reset circuit
 - Achieve $V\Delta t$ product $> B_r + B_s$
 - Supply unidirectional reverse current through the axis of the core
 - Have high voltage isolation so that the reset circuit does not absorb energy during the drive voltage pulse
 - Depends on the type of pulse forming line used in primary circuit



Core hysteresis loop



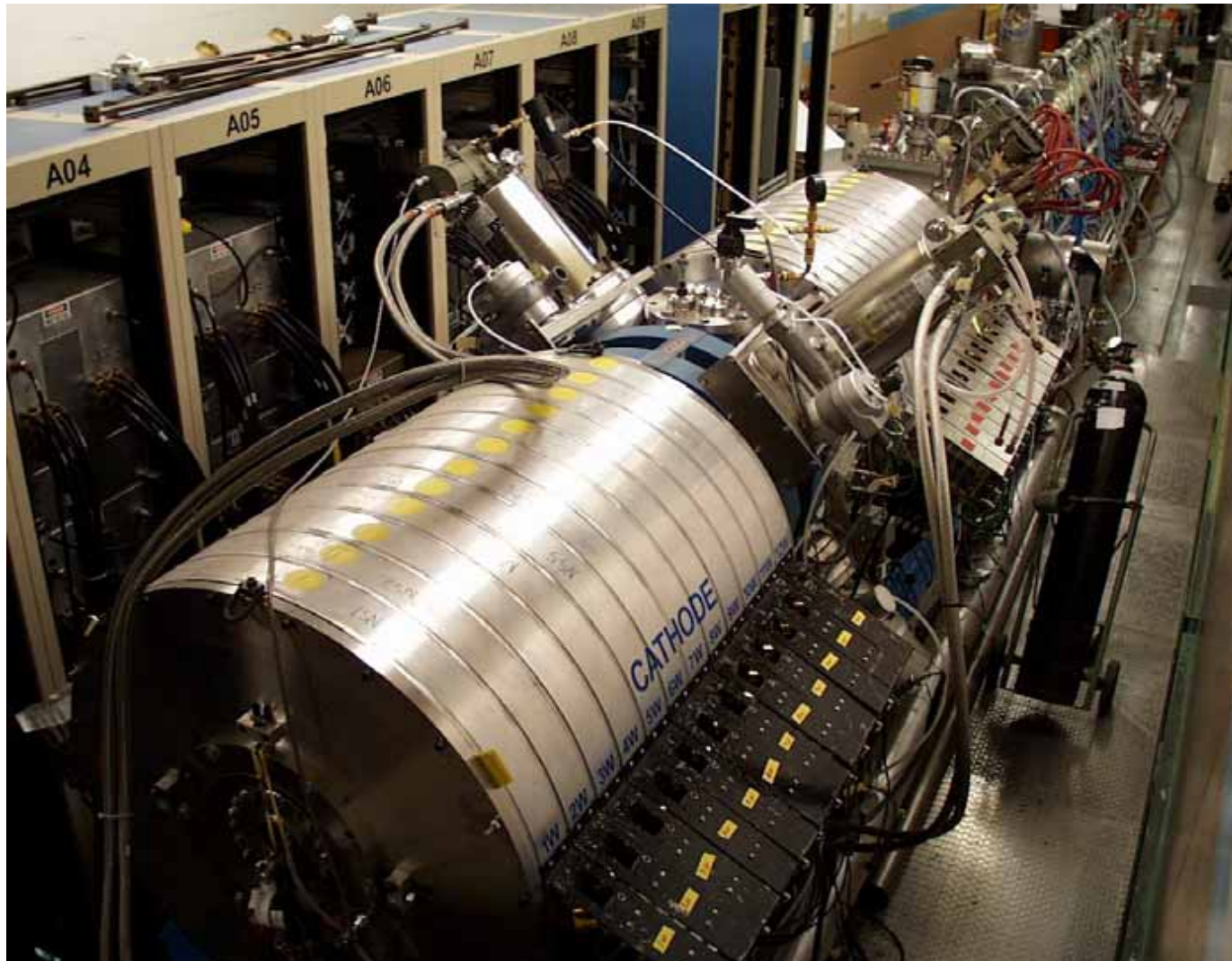
ETA-II Cell Modification



Metglass
replacement core

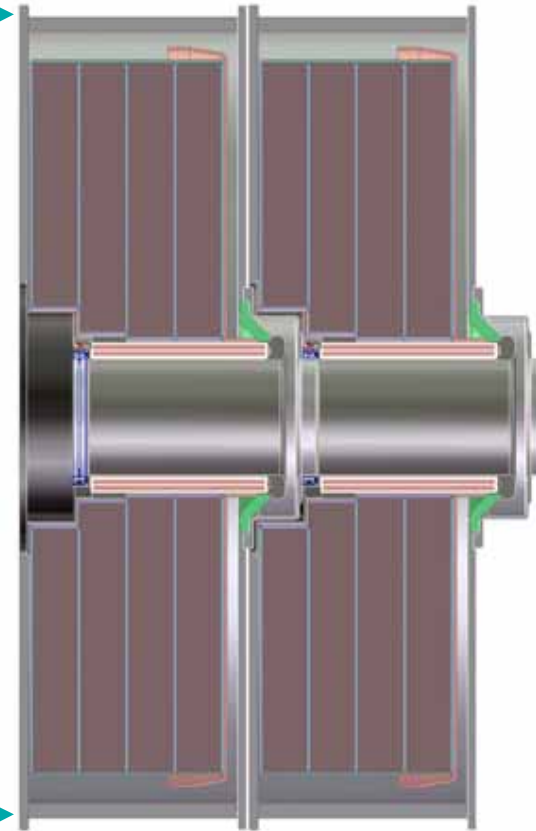


The RTA Injector (1 MeV, 1 KA, 375 ns)

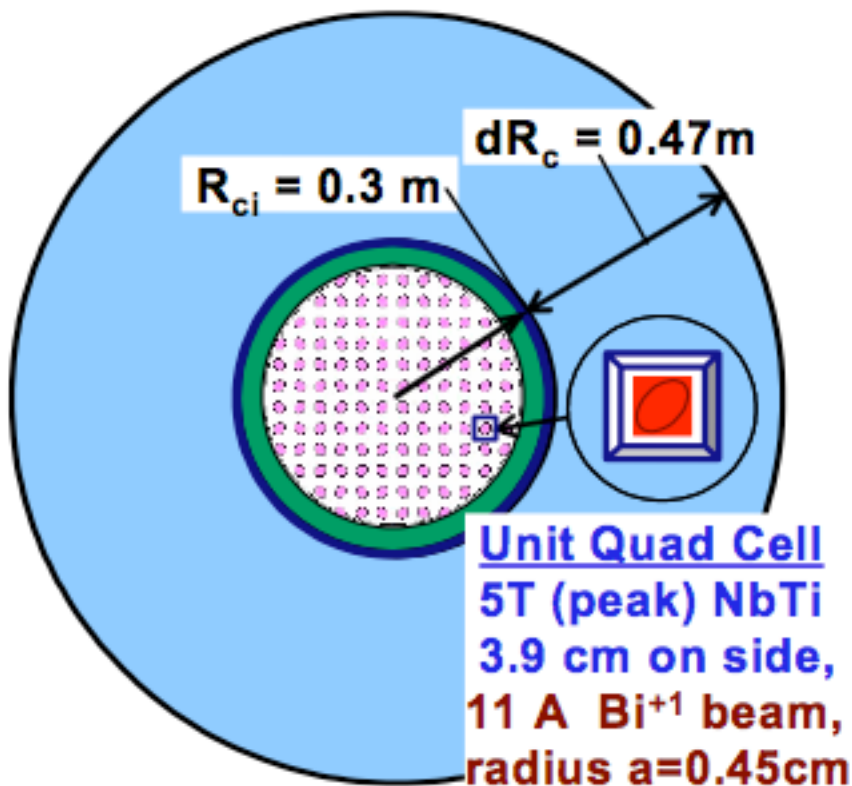




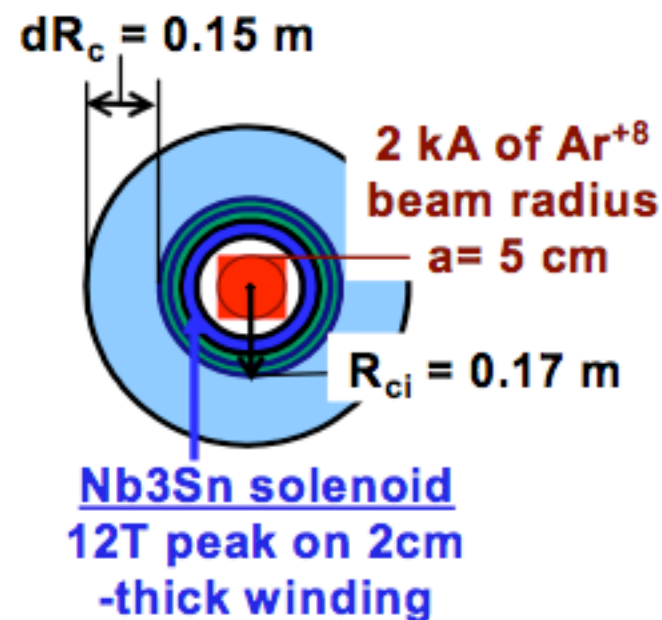
Double 200 kV, 1.6 μ s DARHT cell is of the scale needed for HIF



Comparing 1MJ HIF linac driver example cross-sections



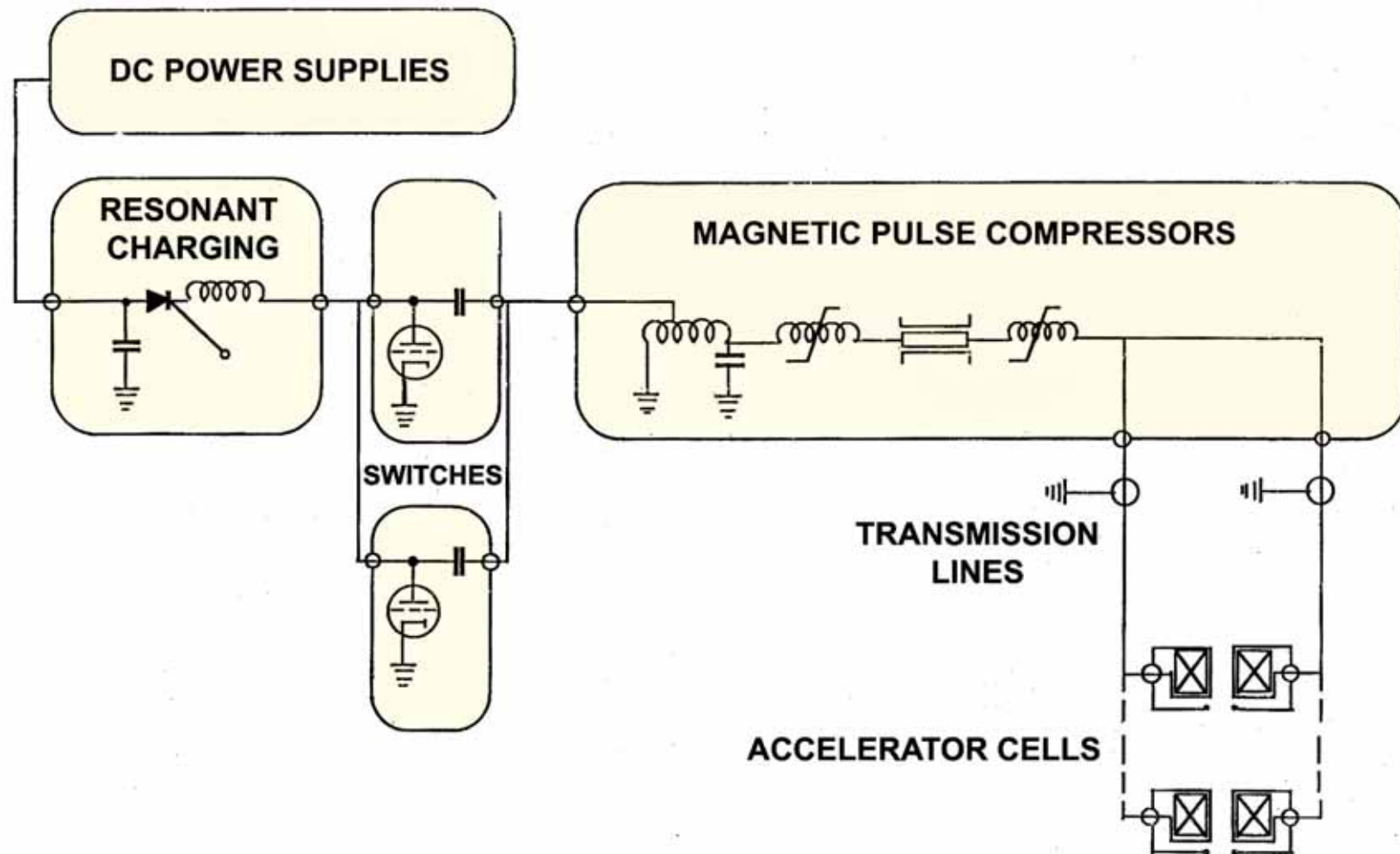
Multi-beam Quad (MQ) driver, an RPD-like design scaled down to produce 1MJ of 4 GeV Bi^{+} ions in a single pulse.



Modular Solenoid (MS) driver system, one of 40 linacs, to produce 1MJ total of 500 MeV Ar^{+8} with five pulses per linac.



Schematic of induction linac power system





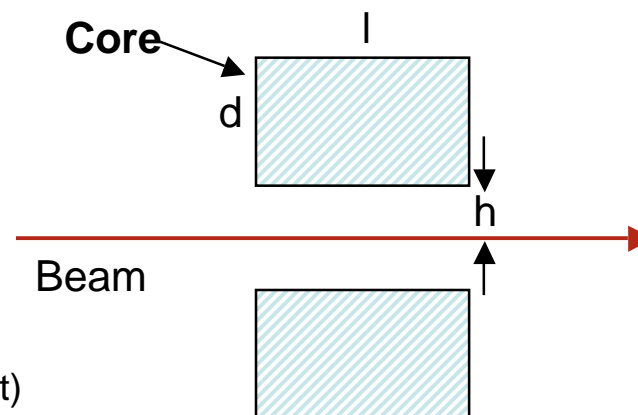
Why HIF Chose Induction



Induction linacs handle high currents naturally.

$$\text{Efficiency} = \frac{I l d \frac{\Delta B}{\tau} \tau}{I l d \frac{\Delta B}{\tau} \tau + w \pi l d (2h + d)}$$

Voltage across gap
Loss function (frequency dependent)



$$\eta_{LIA} = \frac{I \Delta B}{I \Delta B + w \pi (2h + d)}$$

Efficiency increases as current increases

==> Multiple beams within single induction core



General Envelope Equation for Cylindrically Symmetric Beams

*Can be generalized for sheet beams and beams
with quadrupole focusing*

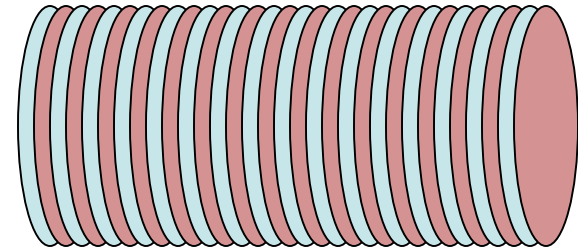


Assumptions for the derivation



Divide beam into disks

- * Rays are paraxial ($v_{\perp}/c \ll 1$)
- * Axisymmetry
- * No mass spread with a disk
- * Small angle scattering
- * Uniform B_z
- * Disks do not overtake disks





Particle equations



$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) + \delta\mathbf{F}_{scat}$$

$$\mathbf{p} = \gamma m \mathbf{v}$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{d}{dt}(\gamma m \mathbf{v}) - q(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) = \delta\mathbf{F}_{scat} \quad (\text{EoM})$$

$$\text{Define } w = \gamma m c^2$$

✱ Paraxial implies

$$v_{\perp}/c \ll 1$$

and

$$I_{beam} \ll I_{Alfven} = \gamma\beta \frac{ec}{r_e} = 17,000 \gamma\beta \text{ Amps}$$



Next write the particle equation of motion



- ✱ Define the cyclotron frequency & the betatron frequency

$$\omega_c = \frac{qB_z}{\gamma m} \quad \text{and} \quad \omega_\beta = \frac{\beta c B_\theta - E_r}{r}$$

- ✱ By Maxwell's equations

$$B_r = -\frac{r}{2} \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial z}$$

$$E_\theta = -\frac{r}{2} \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{dB_z}{dt} \equiv \dot{B} = \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial t} + \beta c \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial z}$$

- ✱ The EoM for a beam particle is

$$\frac{\dot{\gamma}}{\gamma} \mathbf{v} + \dot{\mathbf{v}} + \omega_\beta^2 \mathbf{r} + \omega_c^2 \mathbf{z} \times \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{2\gamma} \frac{d}{dt} (\gamma \omega_c) \mathbf{z} \times \mathbf{r} = \frac{1}{\gamma m} \delta \mathbf{F}_{scat}$$



Take moments of the EoM



- ✱ Three moment equations:
 1. $\mathbf{v} \cdot \text{EoM} = \text{Energy equation}$
 2. $\mathbf{r} \cdot \text{EoM} = \text{Virial equation}$
 3. $\mathbf{r} \times \text{EoM} = \text{Angular momentum equation}$

- ✱ Next take rms averages of the moment equations
 - Yields equations in R , V , L and their derivatives

- ✱ Ansatz: The radial motions of the beam are self similar
 - The functional shape of $J(r)$ stays fixed as R changes



Last steps



- ✱ Angular momentum conservation implies

$$P_{\vartheta} = \gamma L + \gamma \omega_c \frac{R^2}{c} = \text{constant}$$

- ✱ The energy & virial equations combine to yield

$$\ddot{R} + \frac{\dot{\gamma}}{\gamma} \dot{R} + \frac{U}{R} + \frac{\omega_c^2 R}{4} - \frac{E^2}{\gamma^2 R^3} = \frac{1}{\gamma^2 R^3} \int_{t_0}^t dt' \left(\frac{2\gamma R^2}{m} \varepsilon' \right)$$

where

$$U = \langle \omega_{\beta}^2 r^2 \rangle = \frac{I}{I_{\text{Alfven}}}$$

and

$$E^2 = \gamma^2 R^2 \left(V^2 - (\dot{R})^2 \right) + P_{\vartheta}^2$$