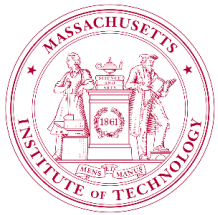


# 1./2. Fundamentals of Ion Sources

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# Course Organization

3 Lecturers, AM+PM lectures, PM lab, daily homework

Selected topics for ion source development and low energy beam transport for injector systems

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Introduction	Multicusp Ion Sources	Low Energy Beam Transport	Space Charge	Finals with open notes
Plasma Physics for Ion Sources				
Beam Quality Parameters	ECRIS	Diagnositics	Vacuum	
Ion Extraction		LEBT	EBIT	Close out session
Homework				
Computer Labs				

# Homework/Computer Labs/Finals

Grading:

40% participation and computer lab work

40% Homework

- Teamwork is encouraged for the computer lab and the homework!! Homework is given daily. Solutions will be distributed the next day.
- We are here to help!! Don't hesitate to ask for assistance with homework problems! The grading is more focused on the effort to solve a problem than submitting the perfectly worked out solution
- Use the internet as resource

20% Finals: Open book – we should discuss the use of internet

# There are a large variety of ion sources- tailored to the need of the experiments

- *Bayard-Alpert type ion source*
- *Electron Bombardment ion source*
- *Hollow Cathode ion source*
- *Reflex Discharge Multicusp source*
- *Cold- & Hot-Cathode PIG*
- *Electron Cyclotron Resonance ion source (ECR)*
- *Electron Beam Ion Source (EBIS)*
- *Surface Contact ion source*
- *Cryogenic Anode ion source*
- *Metal Vapor Vacuum Arc ion source (MEVVA)*
- *Sputtering-type negative ion source*
- *Plasma Surface Conversion negative ion source*
- *Electron Heated Vaporization ion source*
- *Hollow Cathode von Ardenne ion source*
- *Forrester Porus Plate ion source*
- *Multipole Confinement ion source*
- *EHD-driven Liquid ion source*
- *Surface Ionization ion source*
- *Charge Exchange ion source*
- *Inverse Magnetron ion source*
- *FEBIAD ion source*
- *Microwave ion source*
- *XUV-driven ion source*
- *Arc Plasma ion source*
- *Capillary Arc ion source*
- *Von Ardenne ion source*
- *Capillaritron ion source*
- *Canal Ray ion source*
- *Pulsed Spark ion source*
- *Field Emission ion source*
- *Atomic Beam ion source*
- *Field Ionization ion source*
- *Arc Discharge ion source*
- *Multifilament ion source*
- *RF plasma ion source*
- *Freeman ion source*
- *Liquid Metal ion source*
- *Beam Plasma ion source*
- *Magnetron ion source*
- *Resonance laser ion source*
- *Nier ion source*
- *Bernas ion source*
- *Nielsen ion source*
- *Wilson ion source*
- *Recoil ion source*
- *Zinn ion source*
- *Plasmatron*
- *Duoplasmatron*
- *Duopigatron*
- *Laser ion source*
- *Penning ion source*
- *Monocusp ion source*
- *Bucket ion source*
- *Metal ion source*
- *Multicusp ion source*
- *Kaufman ion source*
- *Flashover ion source*
- *Calutron ion source*
- *CHORDIS*

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- Microwave ion source
- XUV-driven ion source

- Nier ion source
- Bernas ion source

Student body is equally scattered –  
Negative ion sources  
PIG, Duaplasmatron, ...  
High charge state ion source (ECR, EBIT)  
Laser acceleration  
Beam transport systems for injectors...

we will not be able to cover all topics – so we selected a few

- Freeman ion source
- Liquid Metal ion source
- Beam Plasma ion source
- Magnetron ion source
- Resonance laser ion source

- Vanegas ion source
- Kaufman ion source
- Flashover ion source
- Calutron ion source
- CHORDIS

# Suggested Literature - Books

- We have added references through-out the presentations- the presentations will be posted on the USPAS web

## Additional resources for ion source literature

- Ion Sources, Huashun S. Zhang, Jianrong Zhang, Springer-Verlag, 2000
- Handbook of Ion Sources, Bernhard H. Wolf, CRC Press, 1995
- Electron Cyclotron Resonance Ion Sources, R. Geller, IOP Pub, 1996
- Electron Beam Ion Sources and Traps and Their Applications, Krsto Prelec, Springer-Verlag, 2001
- CERN Accelerator School – CAS (2013), CERN-2013-007

# Suggested Literature - Conferences

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- JACOW website: PACs, CYCLOTRONS, ....
- Every 2 year – ICIS conference (all ion sources)
  - Proceedings of the International Conferences on Ion Sources, in Rev. of Sci. Instrumentation. early in all odd years, 2017 next one
- Every 2 years ECR workshops (early ones are not available on the web)
  - Proceedings of the Workshops on ECRIS, JACOW website, next one 2016
- Every 2 years EBIS workshop
  - Proceedings on the International Symposium on Electron Ion Beam Sources and Their Applications, American Institute of Physics, 2016 next
- International Symposium on Negative Ions, Beams and Sources
  - Proceedings are published by AIP, in their conference proceedings series, since 2009 , next one 2016

# Content

- A little bit of history
- Sources General – Overview
- Front Ends - Injectors
- Simple Sources
- Plasma Physics Fundamentals
- Homework for the day





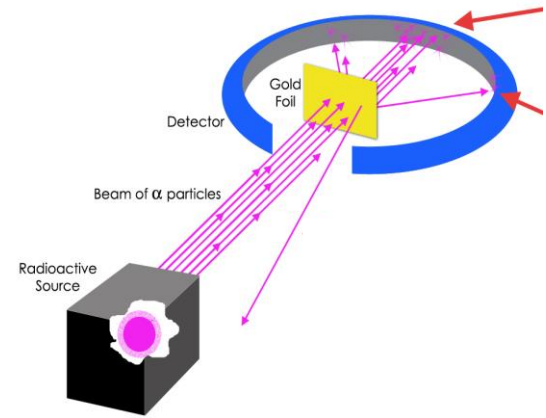
# Ion sources – Brief History

- 1857: experiments with electrical glow discharge – Geissler tube (neon lights): Weakly ionized plasma in glass tubes!
- 1889: Friedrich Paschen: Breakdown in gas discharges
- 1900: Townsend discharge
- 1908-1911: Discovery of the structure of the atom: Rutherford, Geiger, Marsden– start of modern nuclear physics and accelerator applications
- Need was established to develop accelerators as a source for charged particles to replace radioactive sources and produce particles at controlled energies



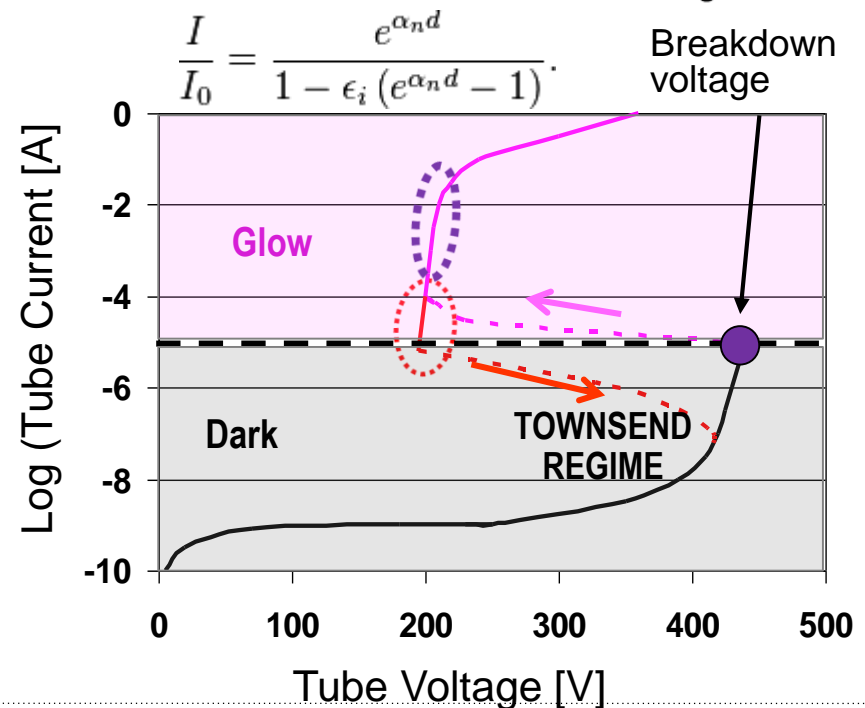
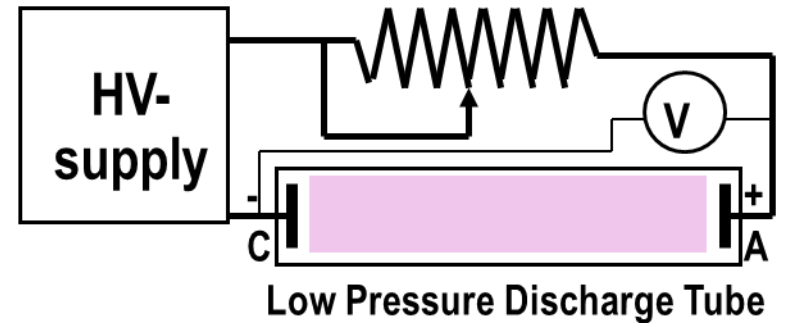
Rare 1890 German multi-bulb with Rhodanine, Eosine, Fluorecine, and Authacein.

## Rutherford's Gold Foil Experiment



# The Evolution of Low Pressure Gas Discharges

- 1900: Townsend studies gas discharges in partially evacuated tubes with two electrodes
- Small voltages yields nA currents by collecting electron-ion pairs produced by background radiation
- Raising the voltage starts the Townsend multiplication, yielding many  $\mu\text{A}$  (corona – avalanche event)
- Increasing the voltage, suddenly the gas starts to glow and the current grows up to many mA at a much reduced voltage

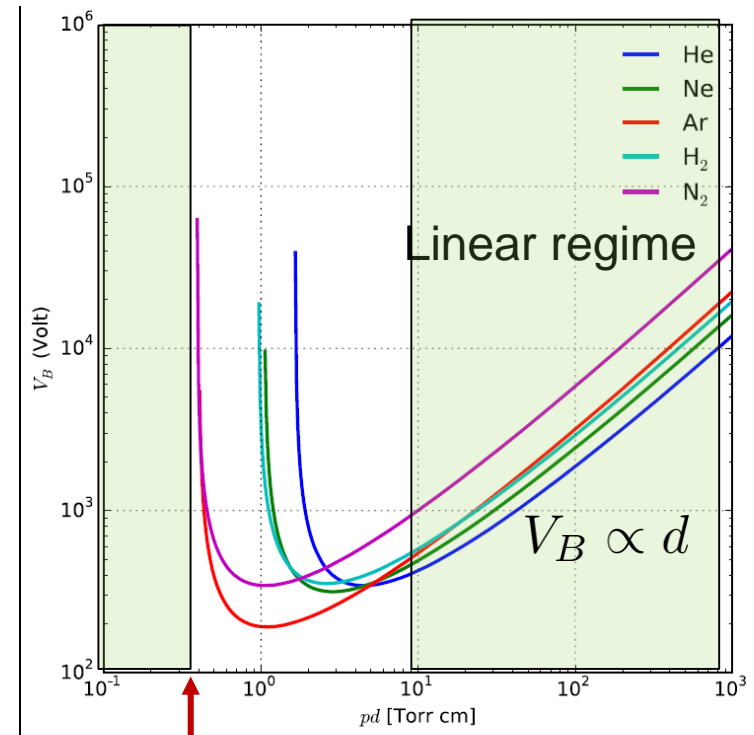


# The Breakdown Voltage (Paschen's Law)

- 1889 Friedrich Paschen described a breakdown voltage function  $V(p,d)$  with pressure  $p$ , electrode gap  $d$ , and experimentally determined coefficients  $A$  &  $B$ , which depend on the gas and the electrodes
- $\gamma_{se}$  is the secondary electron coefficient

$$V_B = \frac{Bpd}{\ln(Apd) - \ln\left[\ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{\gamma_{se}}\right)\right]}$$

- Decreasing the pressure increases the mean path between collisions ( $\lambda_i$ ), which is compensated by proportionally increasing  $d$
- The minimum represents the minimum energy spent on producing enough ions for one secondary electron from the cathode.
- At high  $p \cdot d$ , the voltage increases linearly with the gap between the electrodes



Energy gained by the electrons between collisions is too small

# Constants as References

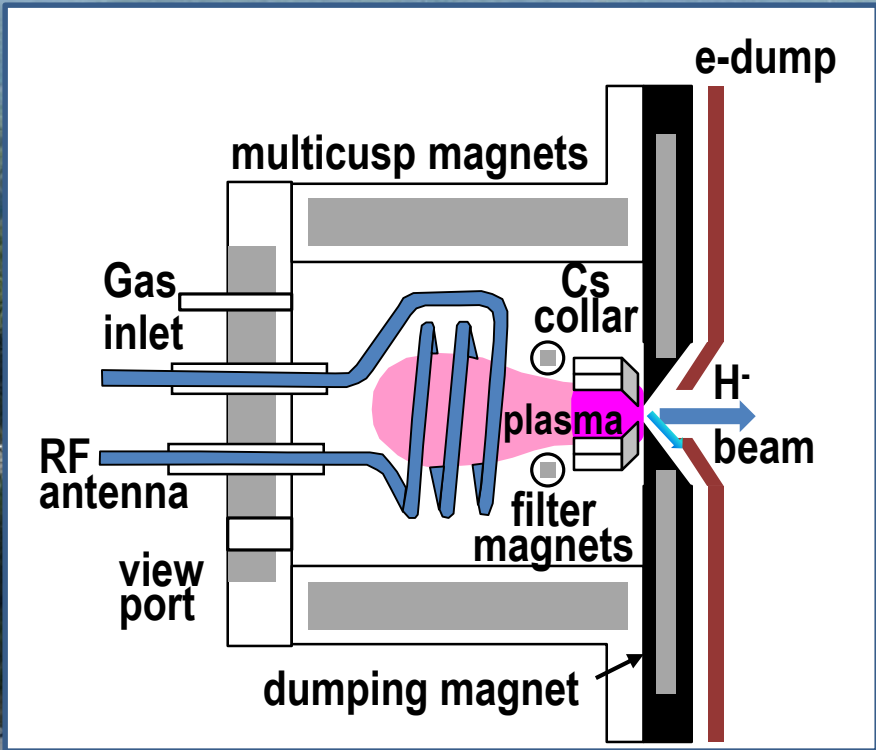
Gas	$A$	$B$	Range of $E/p$ (V/cm-Torr)
Air	14.6	365	150–600
Ar	13.6	235	100–600
CO <sub>2</sub>	20.0	466	500–1000
H <sub>2</sub>	5.0	130	150–400
H <sub>2</sub> O	12.9	289	150–1000
He	2.8	34	20–150

*Source.* Cobine (1958).

- Constants  $A$ ,  $B$  for various gases and pressure regimes
- Secondary electron coefficients: 1 to 2 (depending on the material)

# The Spallation Neutron Source

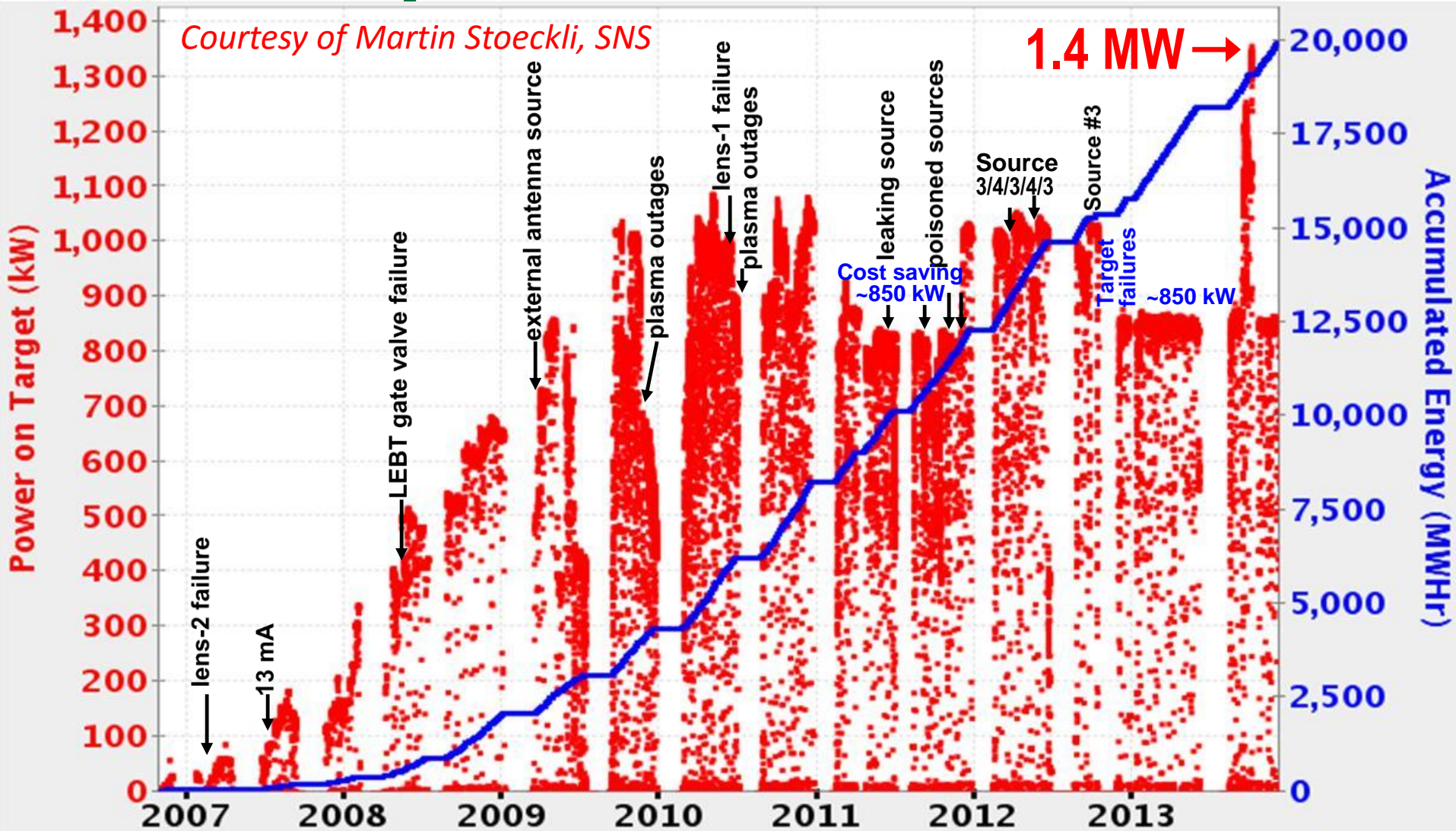
smashes a pulsed, 1 MW proton beam on to a Hg target to produce  $\sim 2 \cdot 10^{17}$  neutrons 60 times per second!



SNS was constructed by a collaboration of Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory  
Los Alamos National Laboratory  
Jefferson National Laboratory  
Brookhaven National Laboratory  
Argonne National Laboratory and  
Oak Ridge National Laboratory

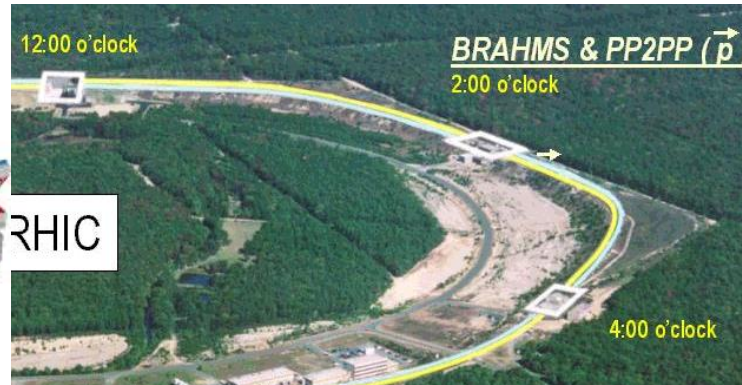
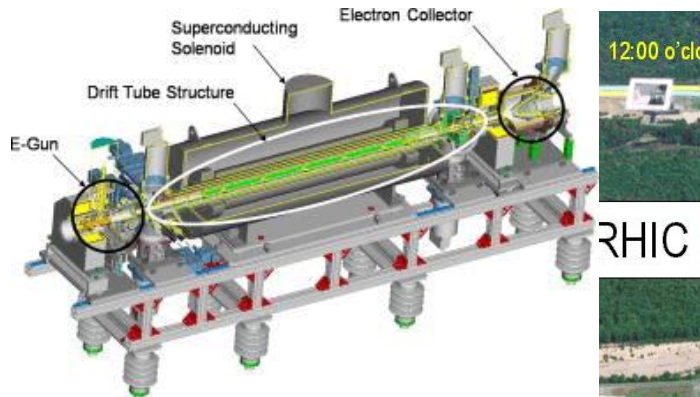
Courtesy of Martin Stoeckli, SNS

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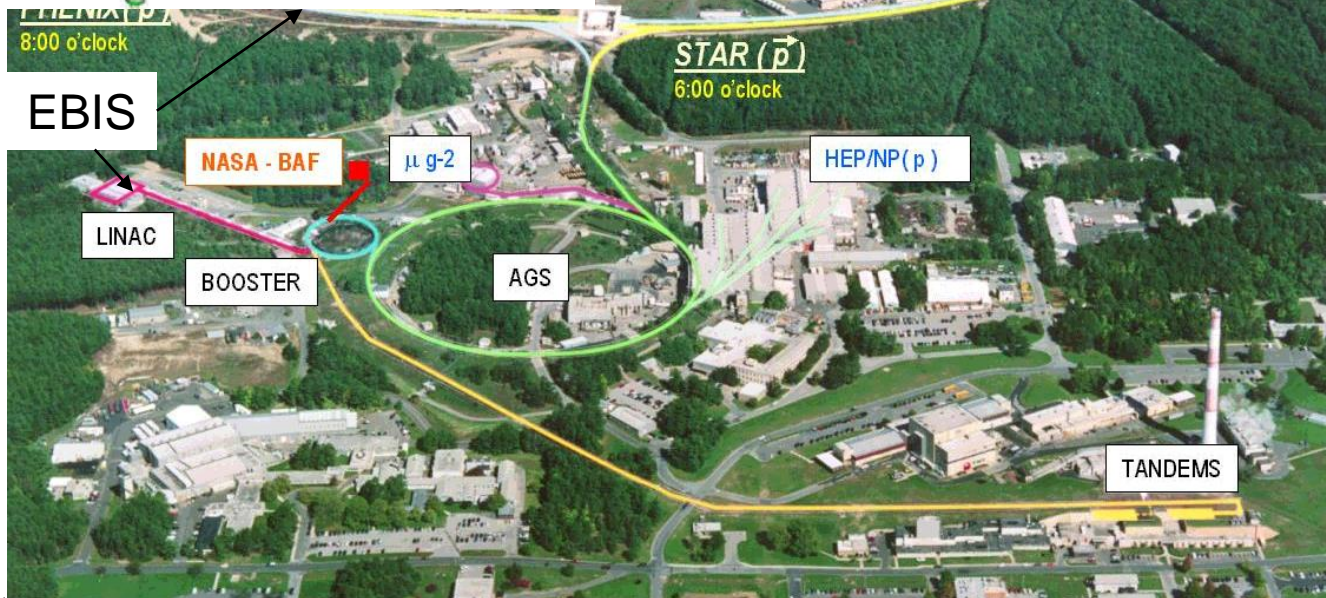
After a 3-year ramp up, SNS is running ~1 MW except for cost- and target-issues!  
These unprecedented power levels uncovered many source and LEBT issues!  
Much had to be learned to support ~1 MW operations with high availability!

# Heavy Ion Collider at Brookhaven National Laboratory – RHIC Accelerator Complex



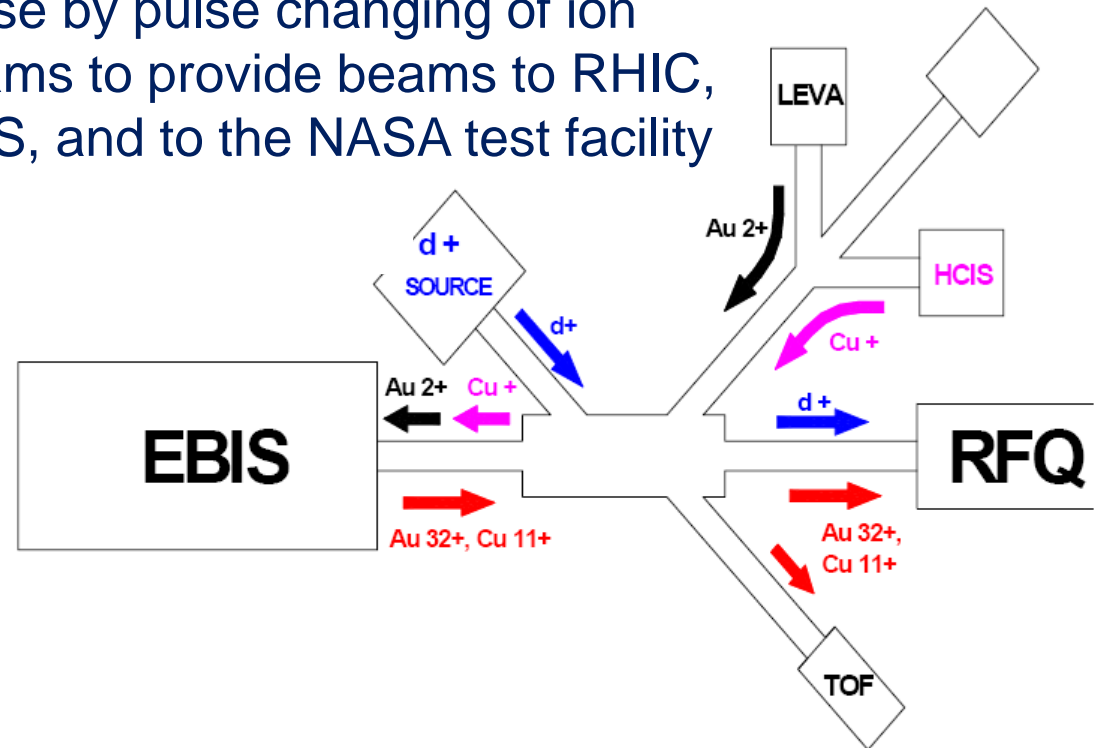
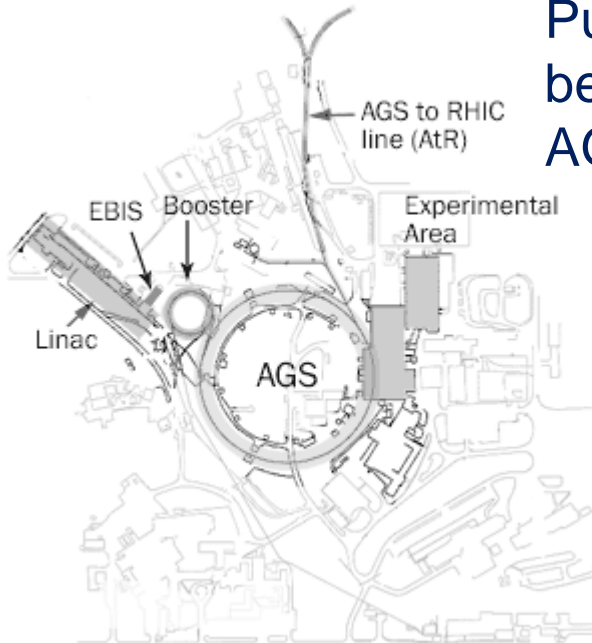
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Alexander Pikin



# Injection and extraction scheme for the BNL EBIS source

Pulse by pulse changing of ion beams to provide beams to RHIC, AGS, and to the NASA test facility

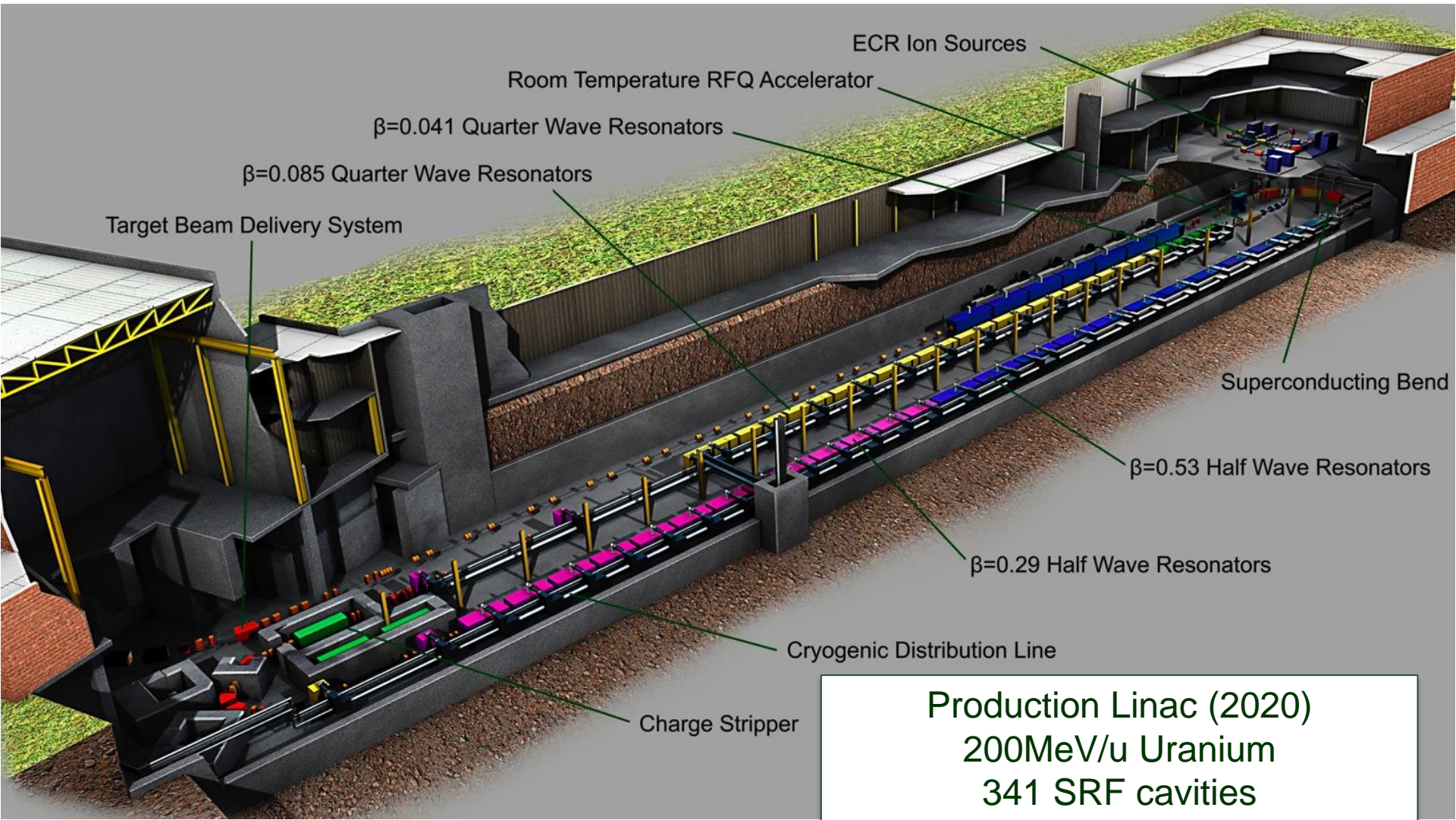


- EBIS – Electron Beam Ion Source
- RFQ – Radio Frequency Quadrupole Ion Accelerator
- TOF – Time-of-Flight Spectrometer
- LEVA – Low Energy Metal Vapor Vacuum Arc Ion Source
- HCIS – Hollow Cathode Ion Source

Courtesy of E. Beebe, BNL



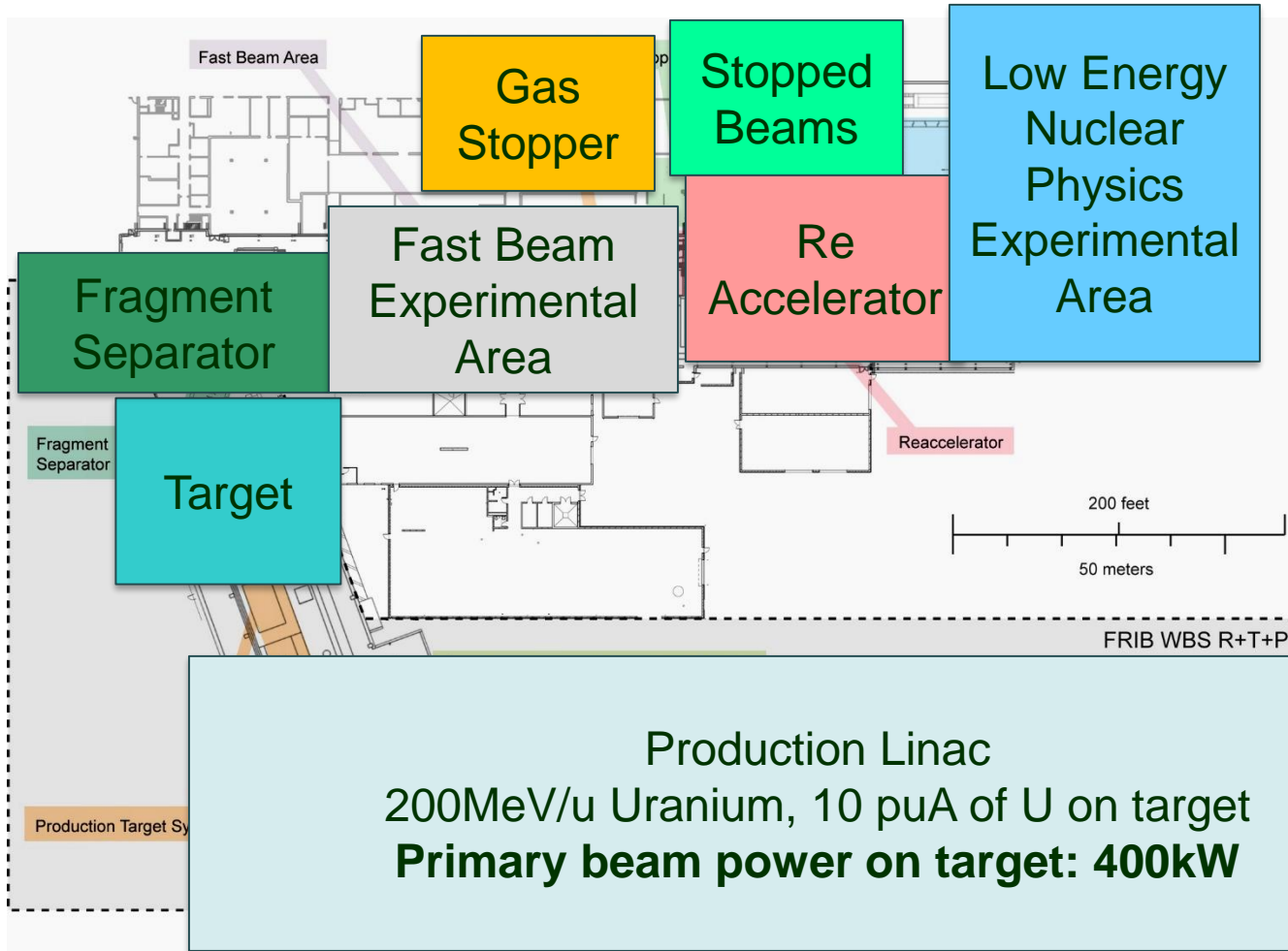
# FRIB Rare Isotope Driver LINAC



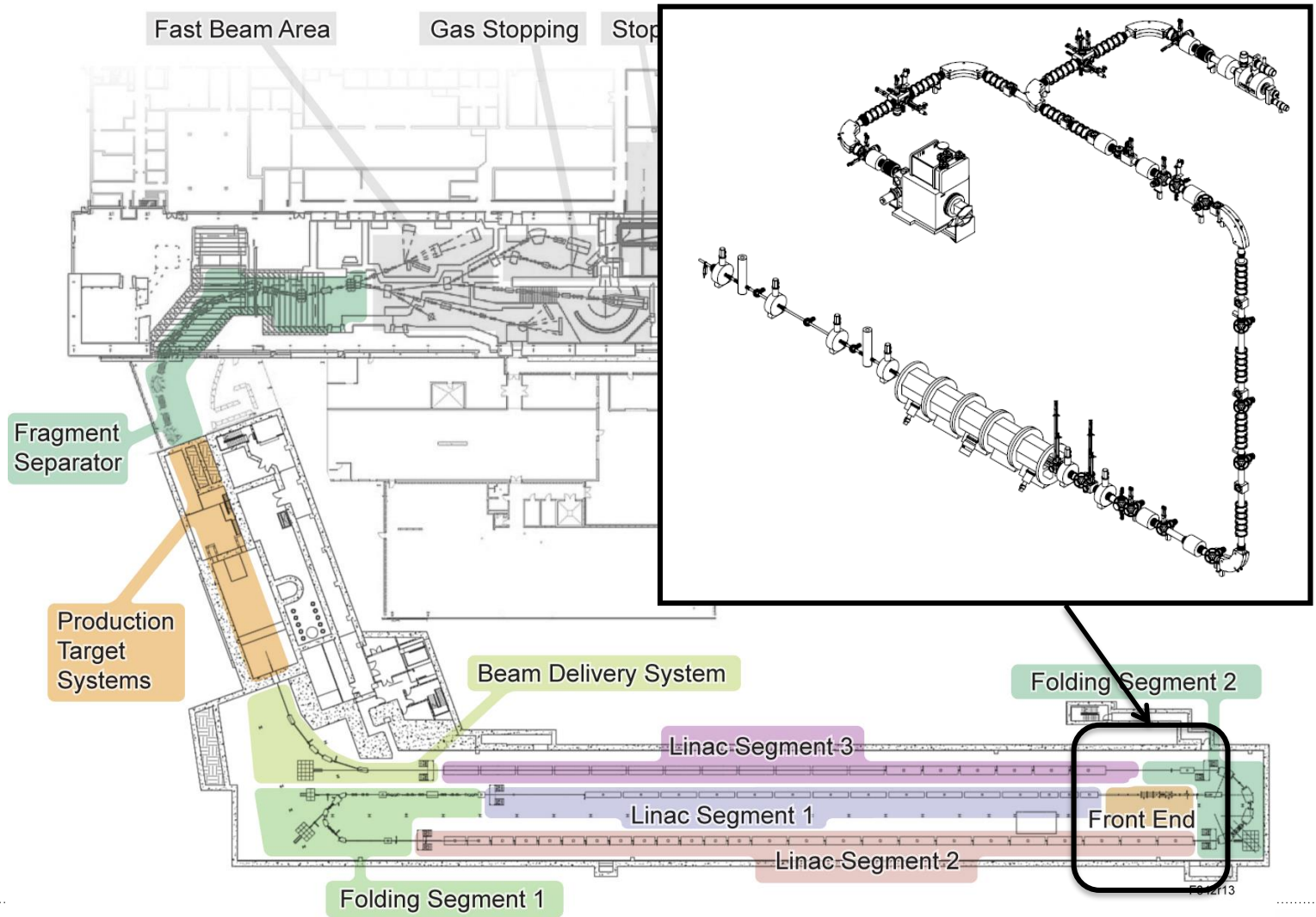
Production Linac (2020)  
200MeV/u Uranium  
341 SRF cavities  
 $\beta=0.041, 0.085, 0.29, 0.53$

Figure: Courtesy of M. Leitner, LBNL

# Rare isotope production at NSCL in the future: Facility for Rare Isotope Production at MSU



# FRIB Front End



# Front End optics design is different from the regular lattice. It needs to do adapt to different beam parameters from the source and it has several matching points

Beam is very slow 12 keV/u (required injection energy for the RFQ)

## Electrostatic focusing elements

Focusing is independent of ion/charge ratio for electrostatic elements

Possible in the low energy section, (because the ions are slow)  
not a good choice in the high energy sections.

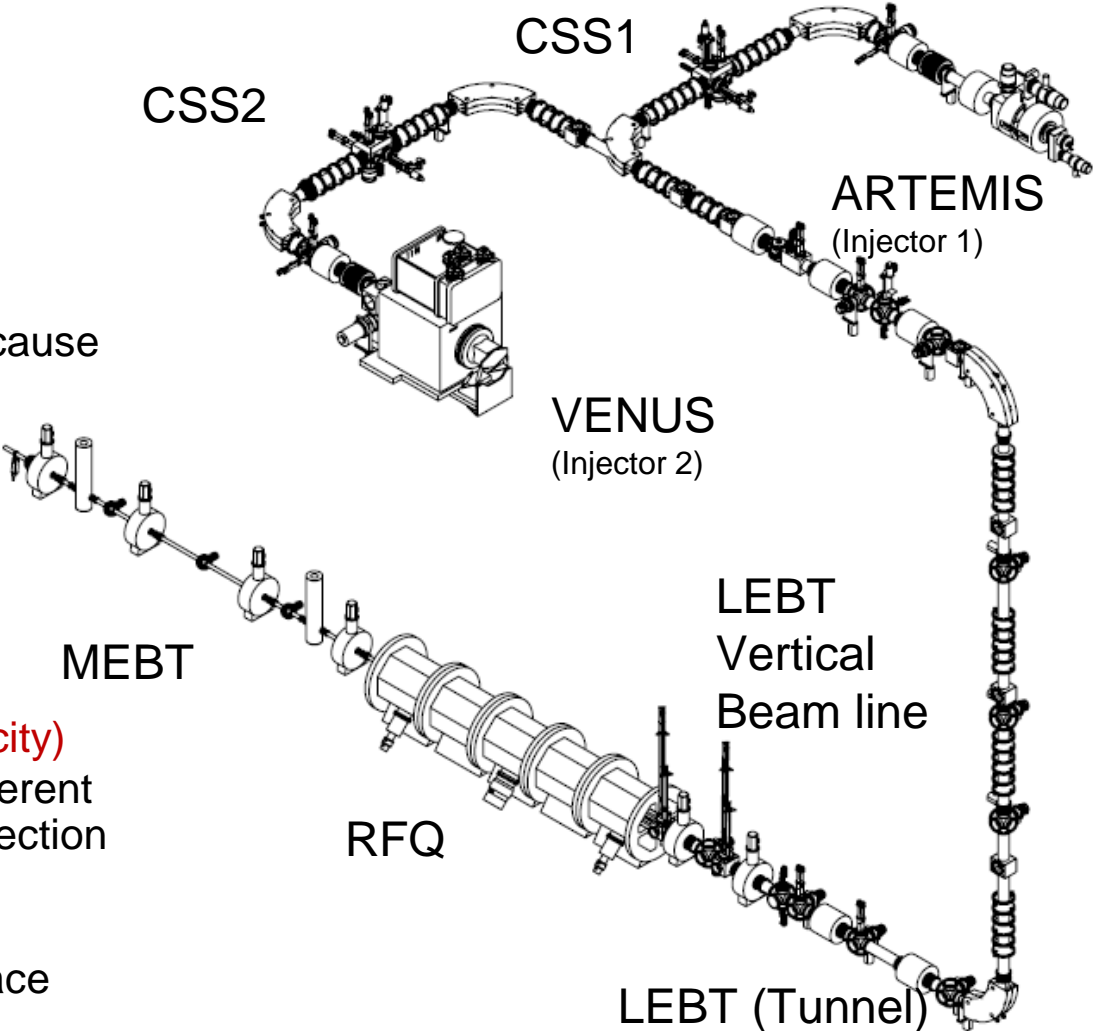
Force is independent of velocity  
 $F=e*Q*E$

## Magnetic elements:

$F=e*Q*v \times B$  (force increases with velocity)

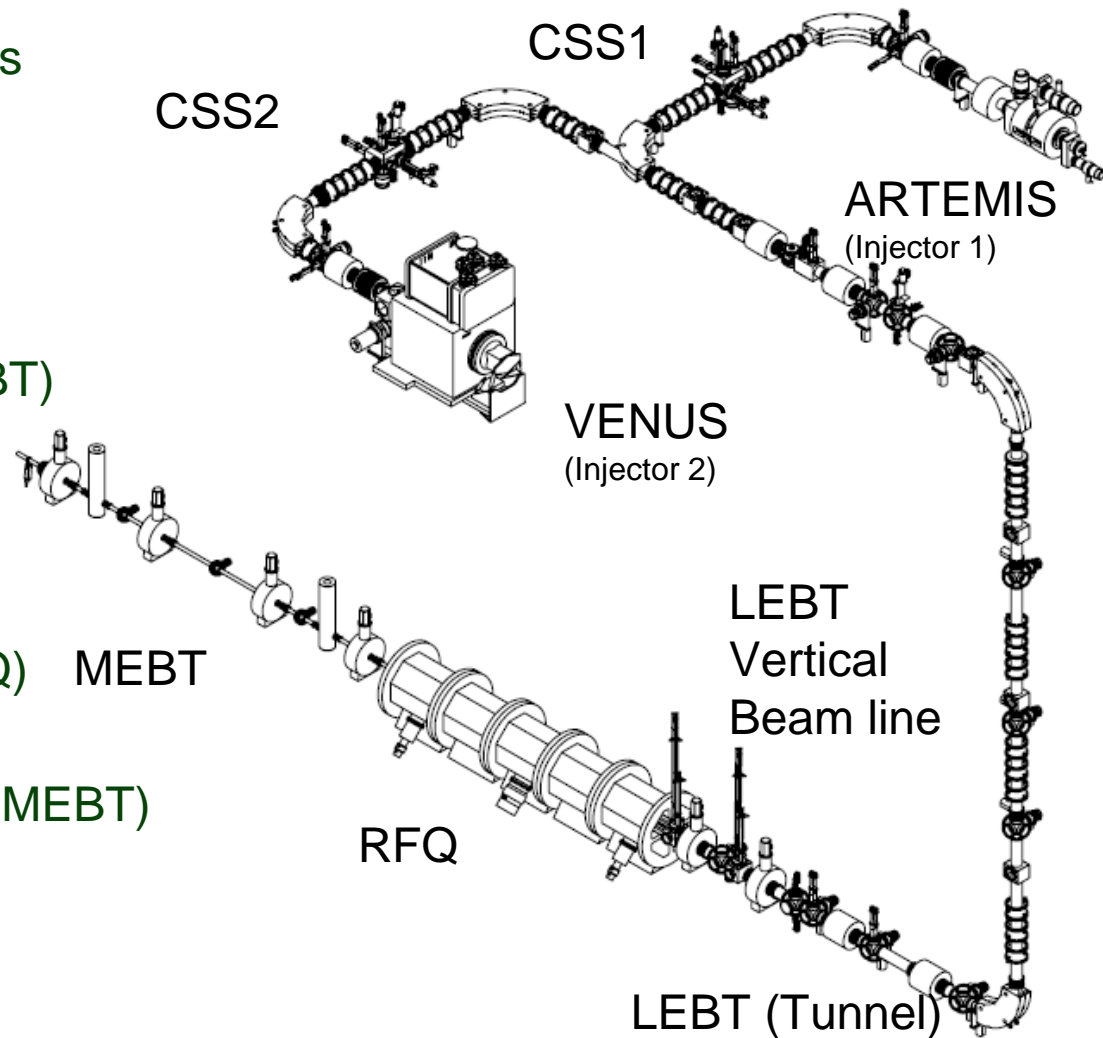
Magnetic elements will separate for different momenta, dipoles are in the charge selection section

Solenoids are used because they are convenient (round beam) and allow space charge compensation

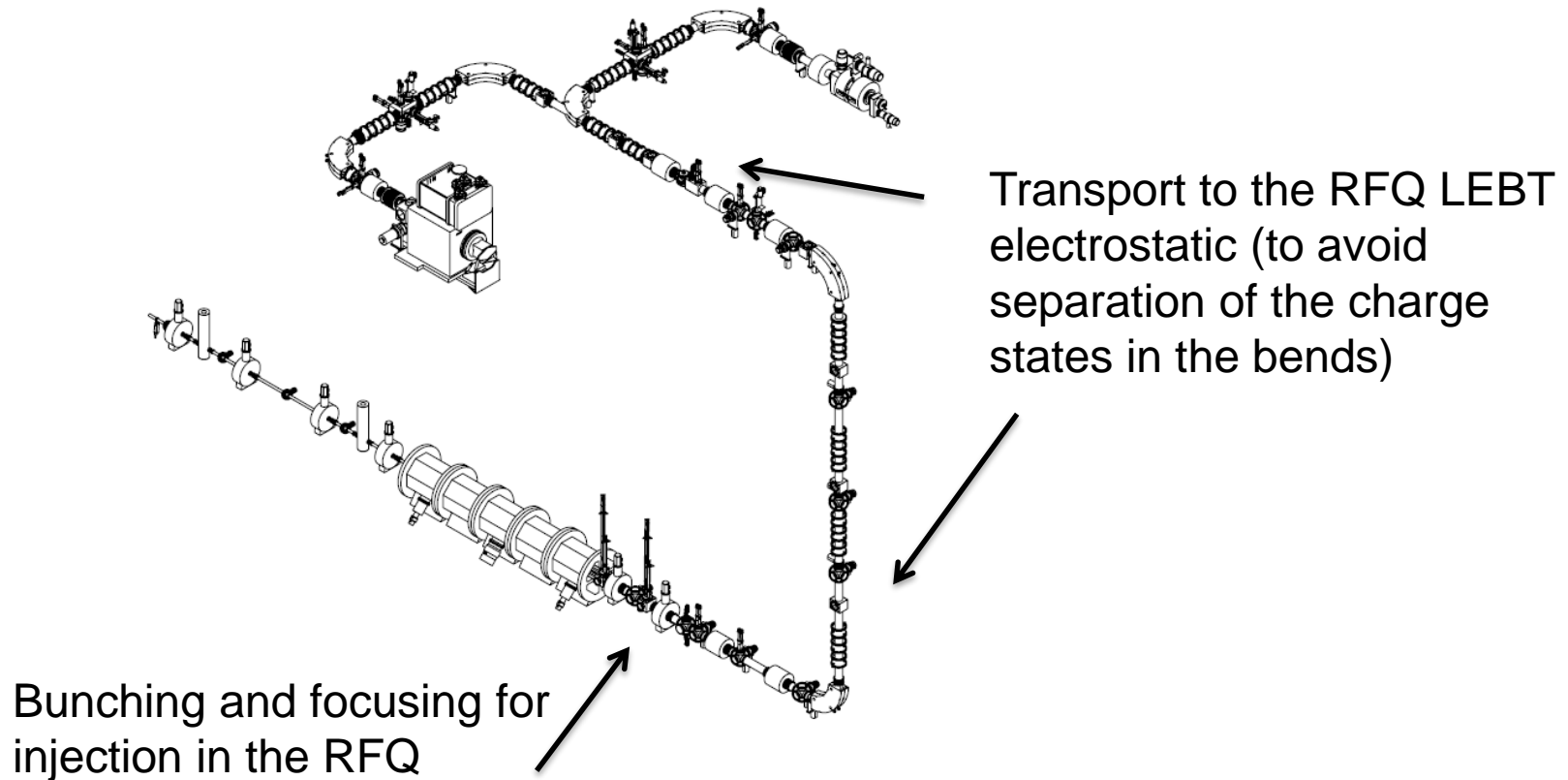


# Front End Elements

- Two ECR sources on HV platforms
  - ARTEMIS - commissioning
  - VENUS – high performance
- Two charge selection systems (CSS1, CSS2)
- Low Energy Beam Transport (LEBT)
  - Chopper
  - Collimation system
  - Vertical transport line
  - Buncher and velocity equalizer
- RadioFrequencyQuadrupole (RFQ) MEBT
  - $E=500 \text{ keV/u}$
- Medium Energy Beam Transport (MEBT)
  - Two bunchers, solenoids
- Instrumentation



# Transport to the RFQ LEBT electrostatic (to separation of the charge states in the bends)



# Plasma Physics

# Selected Ion Source Types

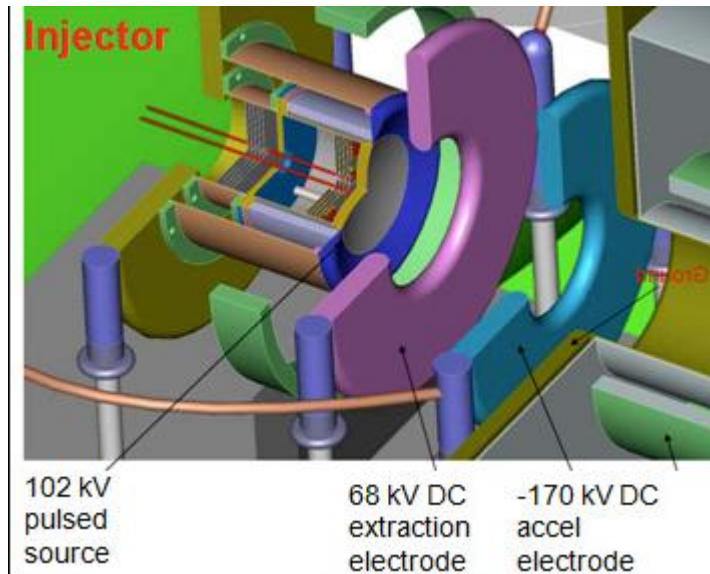
(not covered in detail in the next couple of days)



# Surface Ionization Source: Ideal Accelerator Ion Source

## Basic Principle:

Metals with low ionization potential (e.g. alkali) can get ionized when they come in contact with a hot surface: For example Tungsten coated with aluminosilicate compound of a metal:  $\text{Li}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 2\text{SiO}_2$



Single charged ions only

Advantages:

the emitting surface is fixed, initial conditions are defined

Ion temperature is very low ( $<.2\text{eV}$ )

(Surface ion source are heated to 1200-2000C,  $1\text{eV} = 11600\text{K}$ )

Emittance of the ion beam produced is small

Li ion source at LBNL for the high density physics experiments

Injector for diagnostic beams for fusion reactors

# Surface Ionization Source: Ideal Accelerator Ion Source

Commercial available Surface Ion Source

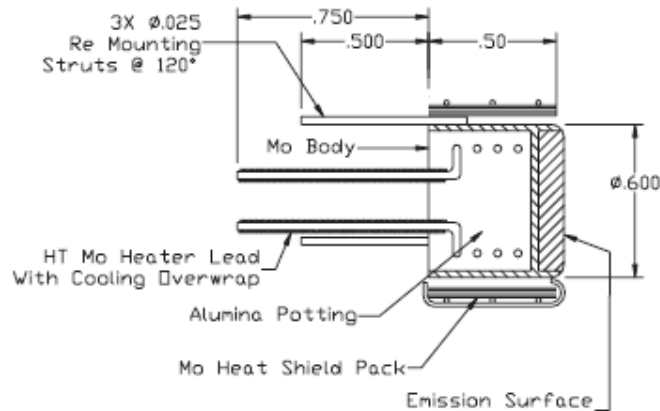


Figure 1  
Model 101142 Ø.600 Ion Source  
(Includes Shield Assembly)



I typical pA to nA

Typically used as external source for testing or charge breeding experiments

Disadvantage:

Current density limited to  $<1.5\text{mA}/\text{cm}^2$

Large emitters ( $>10\text{cm}$  diameter) are needed for high current (HIF 100mA)

Life time is limited, amount of charge is given by the coating

Limited to alkali and alkaline metals

# Parts of a simple Ion Sources

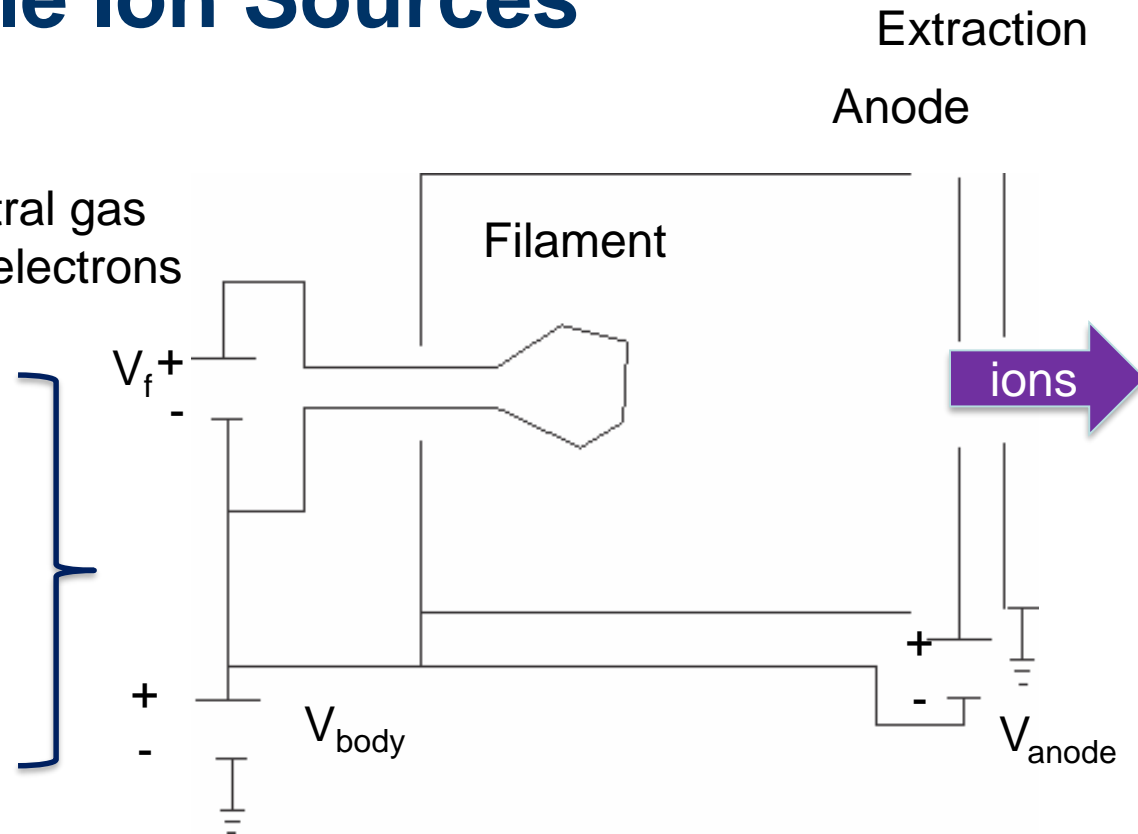
Ion source input:  
free electrons ( $E > \text{Ionization Potential}$ ) = discharge voltage, neutral gas  
Means of providing energy to the electrons  
Keep ions cold !

Cathode + Anode

Filament

RF discharge

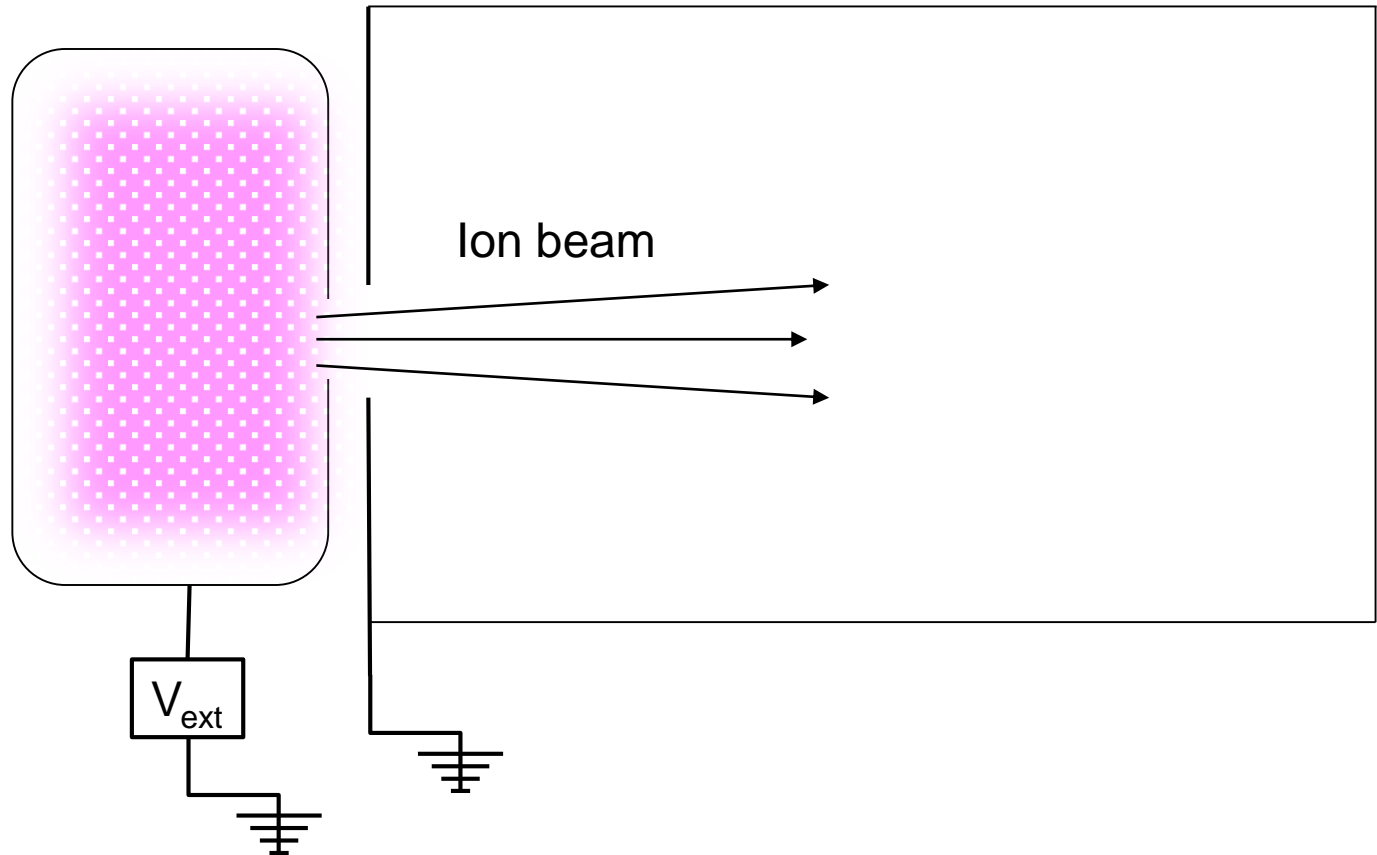
Microwave discharge



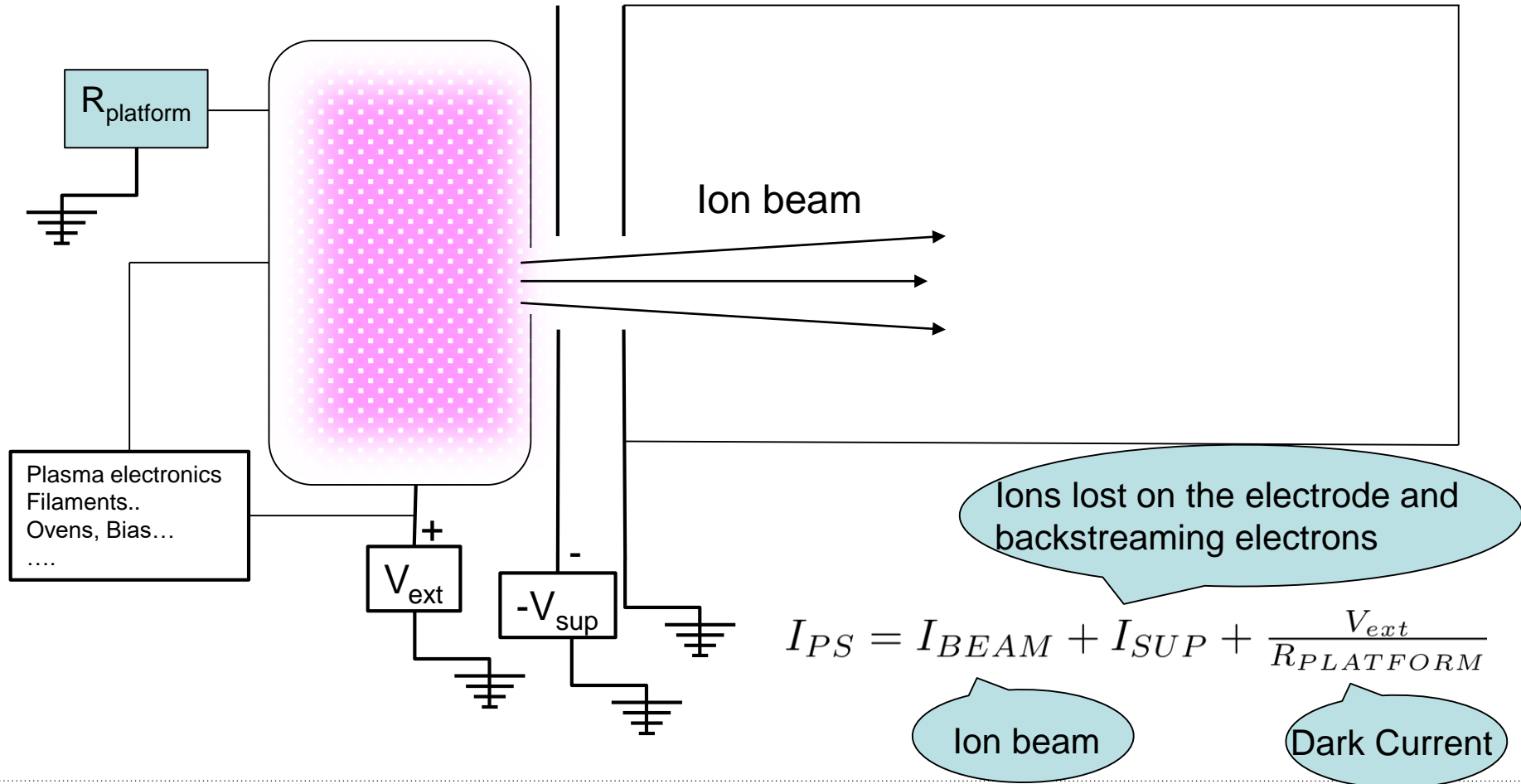
Ion source has no confinement, ion confinement time is short, only singly charged ions – confinement time is very short, not efficient, but ion temperature low (good emittance)

Require a high gas pressure to run, many different types developed

# Basic elements of an ion source



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# Add confinement with external B-Field

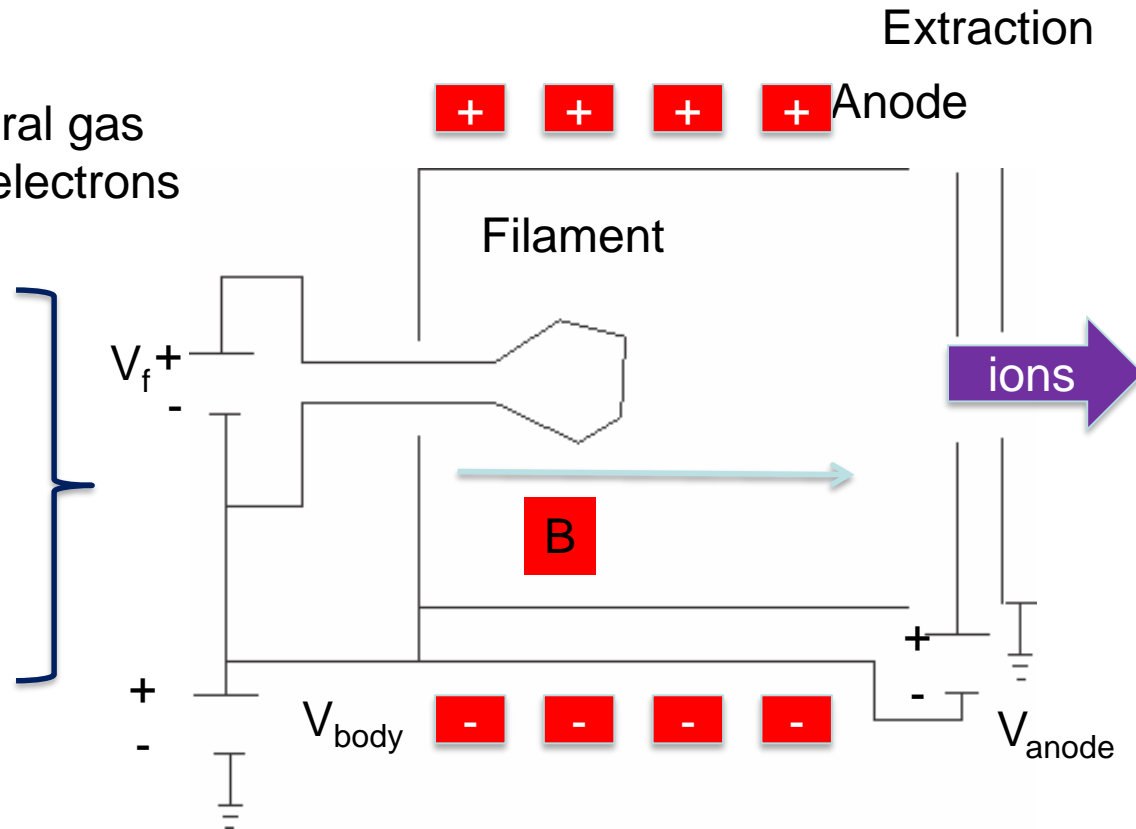
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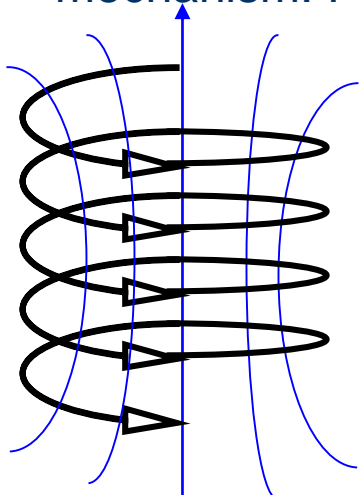
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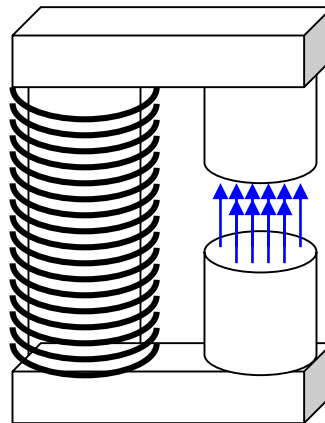


# Confining charged particles

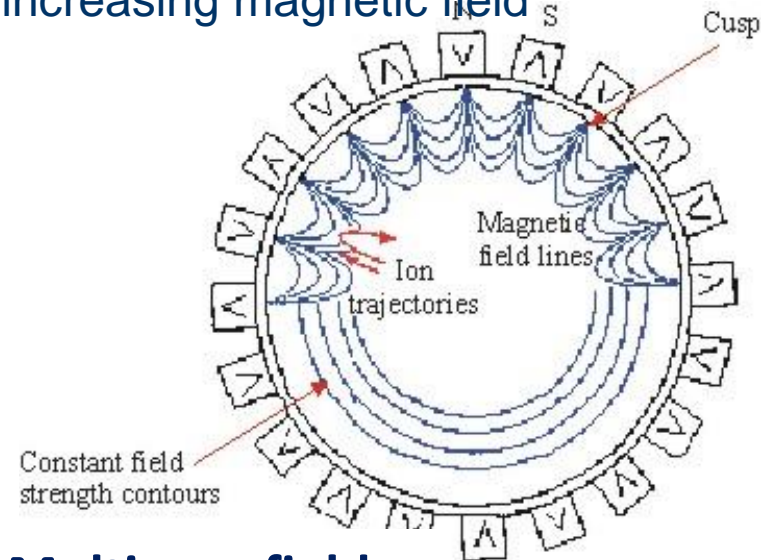
- In the direction of the fields there is no force, transverse the particles are bend into the circular motion  $F = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$
- Helical motion increases the time the electron send in the discharge chamber- field lines can only be crossed through collisions – wall losses are reduced
- Add strongly increasing magnetic field as the confinement mechanism: Particles get reflected by an increasing magnetic field



**Solenoidal field**



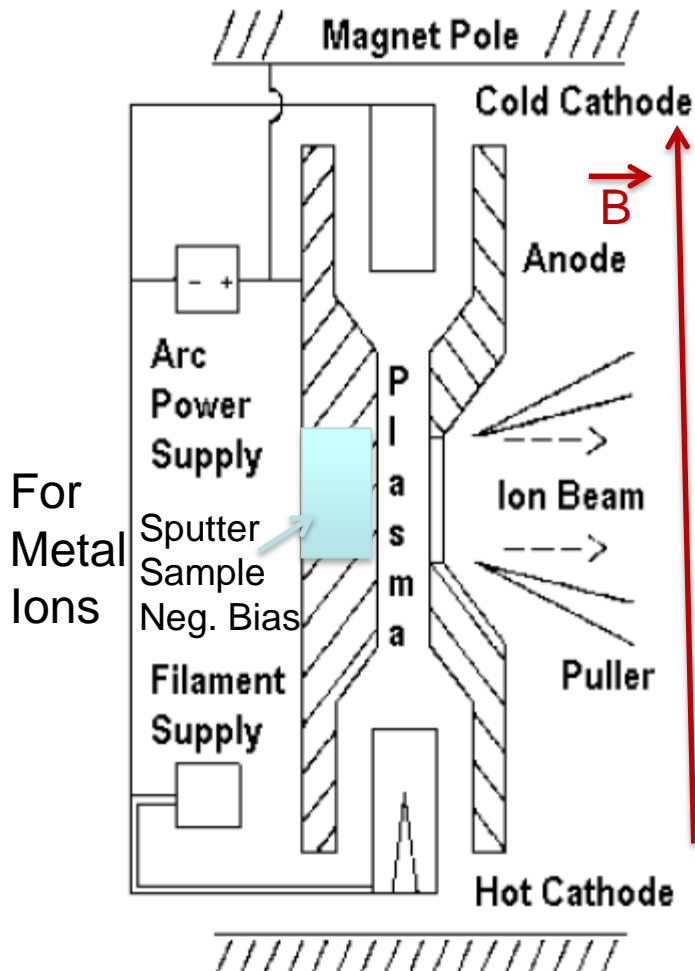
**Dipole field**



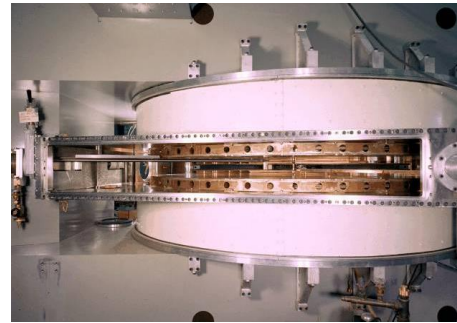
**Multicusp field**

# Important Ion Source Type: PIG Source

## Can produce some highly charged ions



Internal Ion source for early cyclotrons



$$B \frac{E}{M} = \left( \frac{Q}{M} \right)^2 \cdot K$$

$$K \sim B^2 \cdot R^2$$

Cyclotron magnetic Field adds confinement

Performance is determined by

**Product of  $n_e \cdot \tau_i$**

Confinement time :  $\tau_i = 10 \cdot r^2 \cdot B / T_e$   
(diffusion across B field)

$r = 0.3 \text{ cm}$ ,  $B = 3 \text{ kG}$ ,  $T_e = 10 \text{ eV}$ ,  $\tau_i \sim 10 \text{ } \mu\text{sec}$

**Source lifetime is an issue**, need different source to get reliable high charge states

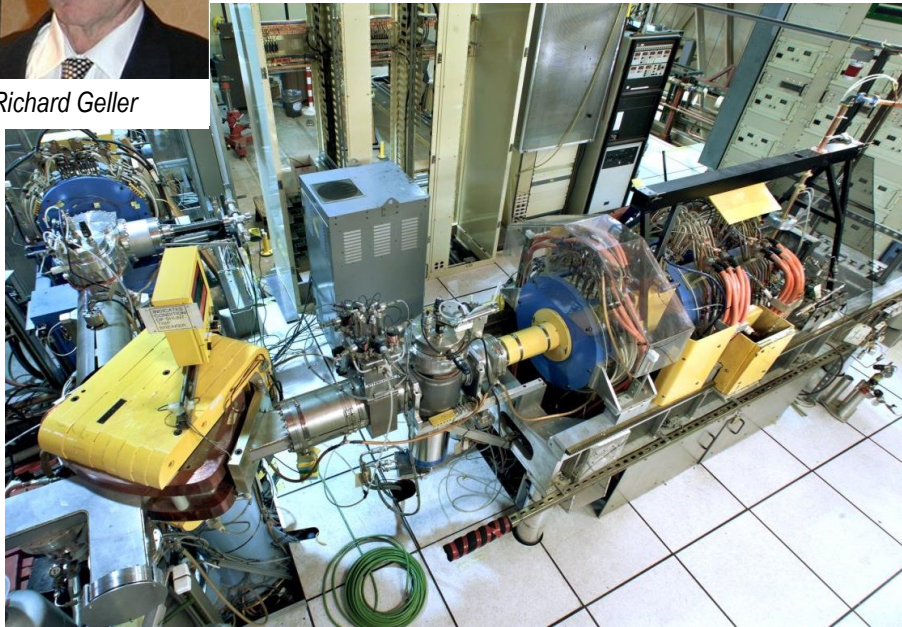
F.M. Penning, Physica, 4, 71, (1937)



# ECR Ion Sources largely replaced PIG sources for cyclotrons



Richard Geller



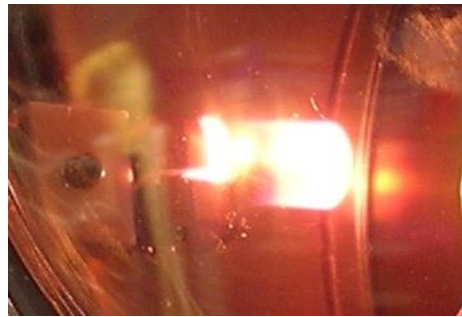
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Ion Beams tested in the LBNL ECR Ion Sources

- Any element can be ionized provided it can be vaporized

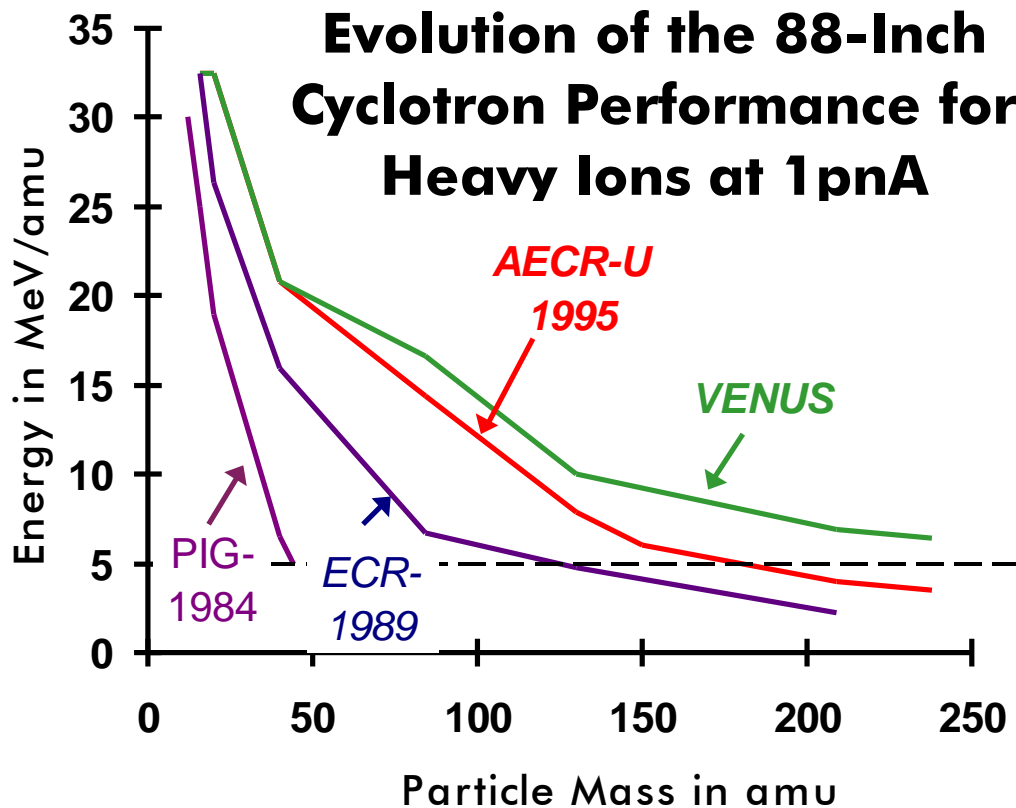
## AECR-U Injector, 88-Inch Cyclotron LBNL

- Runs 24 hours/day, 7 days/ week with minimum intervention
- Minimum maintenance (typically not required for years)
- Good beam stability and quality
- High intensities ( $\mu\text{A}$  to  $\text{mA}$  of beams are available)
- Can produce ion beams from every element



VENUS oven at the required uranium temperature of 2100 C

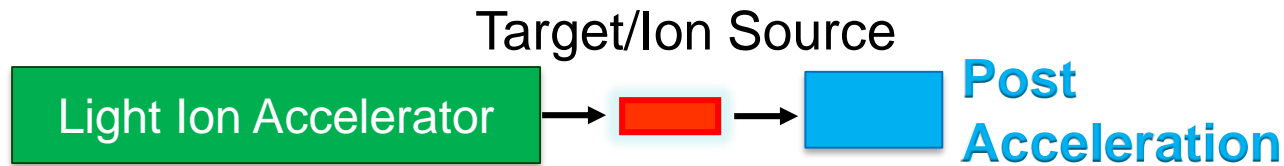
# Impact of ECR ions on accelerators



# Specialized Sources for Rare Isotope Facilities

# ISOL – Isotope Separator On-line

## Light Ion-induced “Spallation” Or Fission Of Heavy Targets



- Isotopes must diffuse from hot targets and effuse to an ion source
- Typical beams ~100-1000 MeV protons; typical targets Ta & UC
- Photofission using high power electron linac

- Very intense beams of many elements (e.g. noble gases and alkalis)
- Weak beams of refractory and chemically active elements

Several facilities around the world:

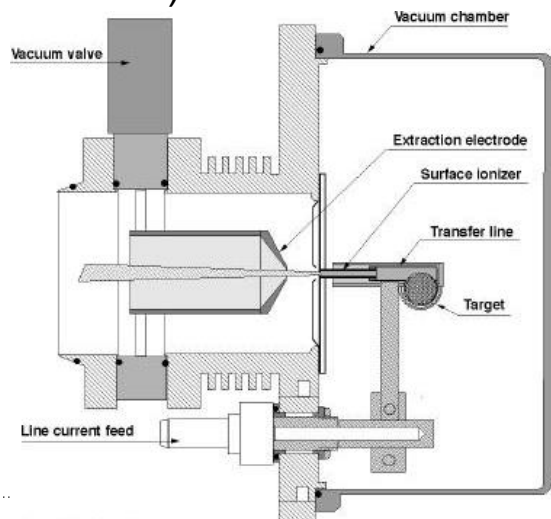
Rex-Isolde, GANIL-Spiral, ISAC, EXYPT, SPES, EURISOL ...

# Ion Sources for Rare Isotope (radioactive ion beam) acceleration

Specialist field: ISOL facilities

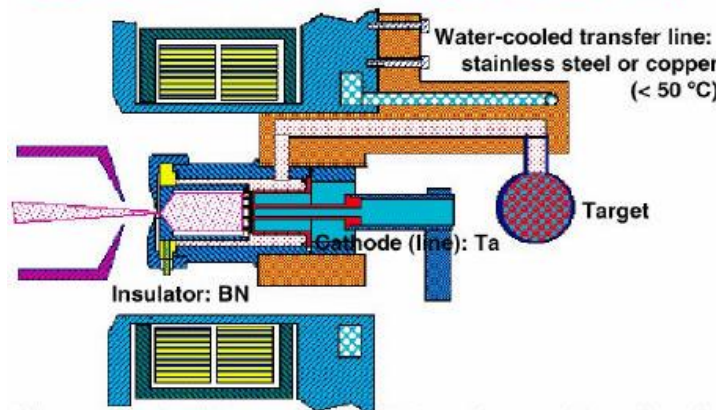
- The ion source is often combined with the target and optimized for each ion species, Issues:
  - Release time of the ions from the target
  - Chemistry of the ion in the target and the ion source
  - The impurity of the beam

## Surface Ionization Source (Alkali metals)



## FEBIAD (plasma with heated plasma chamber)

**ISOLDE FEBIAD MK7 (water-cooled transfer line)**



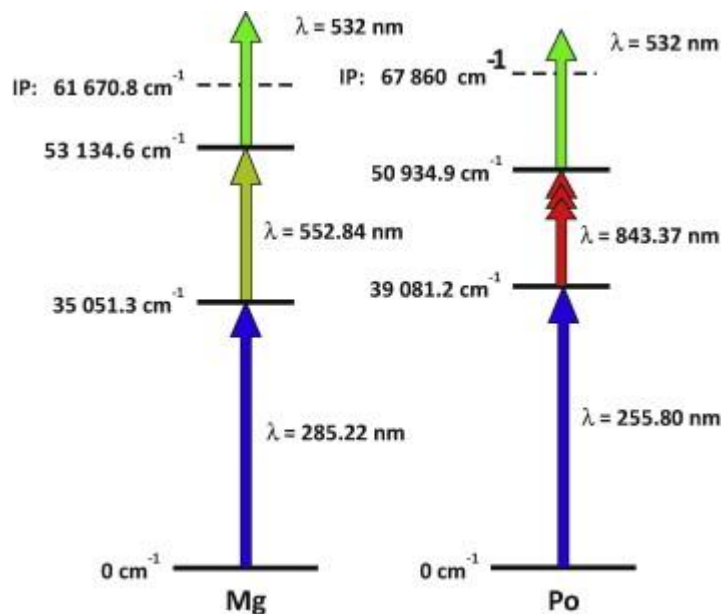
Plasma chamber: Mo or graphite, 12.5 mm diameter, 22 mm length  
Source body: stainless steel

## ECRIS (gases)



# Resonant Laser ion sources – example for selective photoionization

<http://rilis.web.cern.ch/>



Resonance Laser Ion Source

-> element selective

-> isobar free beams

Laser must be matched to the element

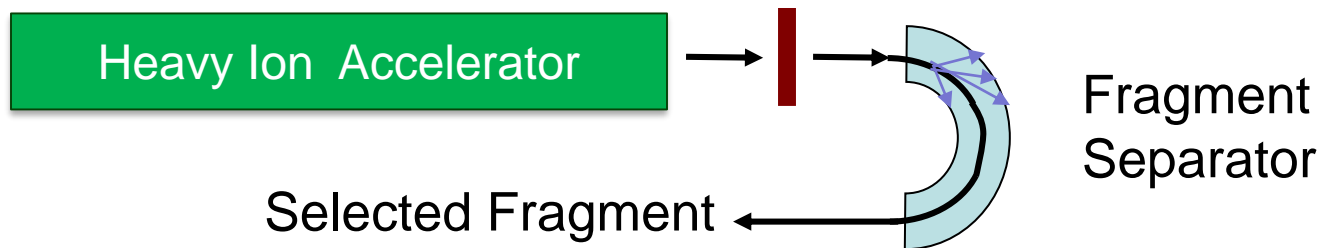
High repetition rate is required to ensure ionization as the rare isotope in the transfer tube

2-3 steps for ionization to ensure selectivity

First application of the Laser Ion Source and Trap (LIST) for on-line experiments at ISOLDE

D A Fink, et. al, *Nucl. Instr. and Meth. in Phys. Res. B*, DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.nimb.2013.06.039>(link is external) (2013)

# In-Flight Heavy-Ion Fragmentation or Fission on a Light Target Rare Isotopes are Separated Physically; No Chemical Dependence



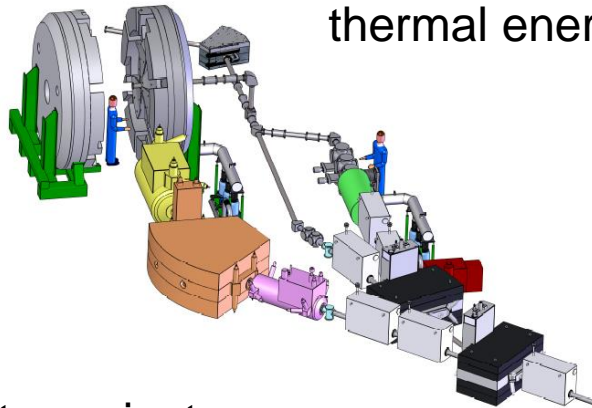
Less chemistry involved; beams at high energy

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- Typical heavy ion beams are  $^{18}\text{O}$ - $^{238}\text{U}$  at 200-2000 MeV/u; typical targets Be or C
- Separated **beams of any species** including refractory and chemically active elements and isotopes with very short half-lives, even isomers
- Needs gas catcher or solid stopper for post acceleration, ion cooler
- Charge breeder ion sources for reacceleration

CCF-MSU, RIKEN, GANIL, FAIR, FRIB..

# Fragmentation Facility Ion sources

Gas Stoppers to slow down ions to thermal energies



Production of fast rare isotopes

Heavy Ion Driver

Target

Fragment Separator

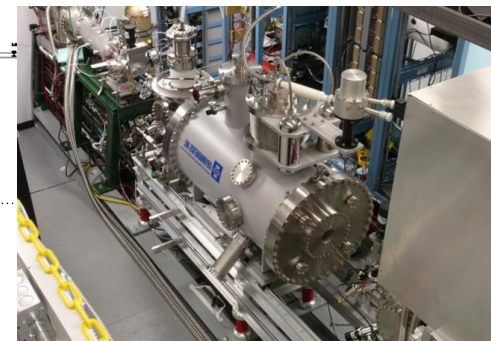
Beam Stopping

Charge Breeder (EBIT)

ReAcceleration

Low Energy Nuclear Physics Experimental Area

More on Thursday

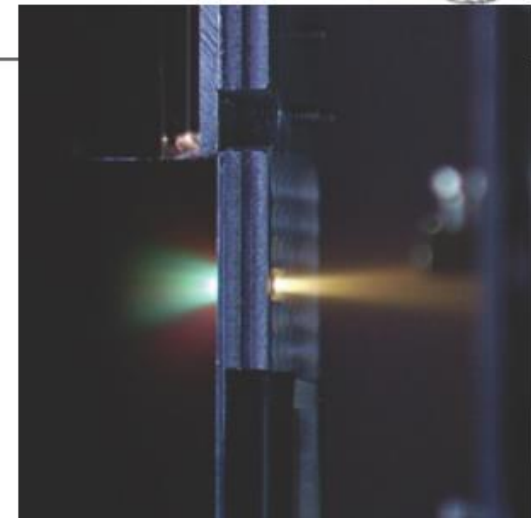
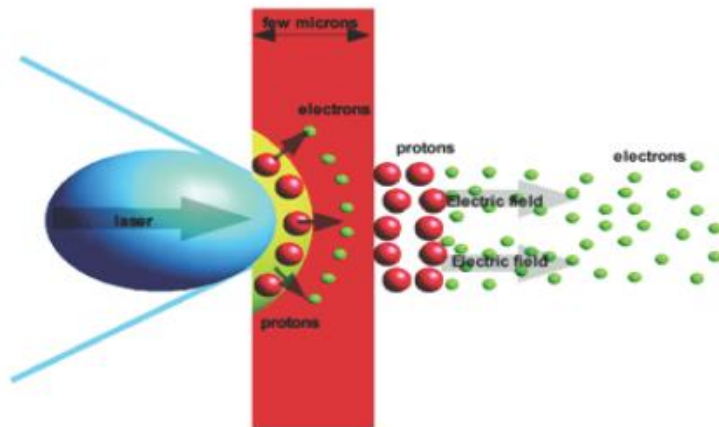




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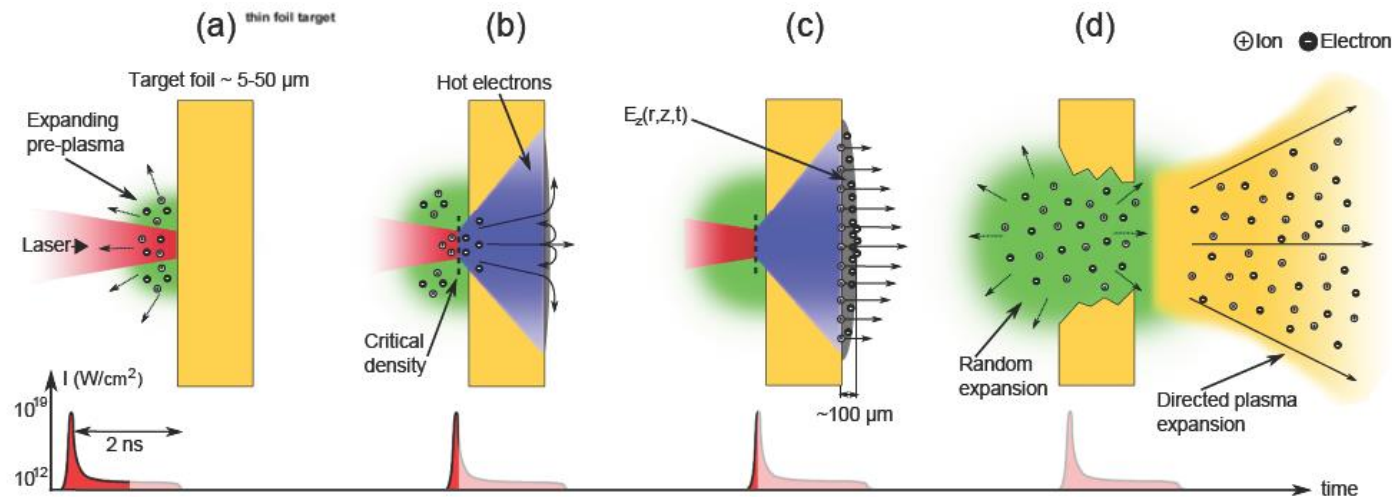
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# Berkeley Lab Laser Accelerator (BELLA) - Center

- Currently Electron Laser Acceleration research facility
- New initiative at LBNL to build an laser ion accelerator facility

