

The background of the slide features a complex pattern of particle tracks, likely from a particle detector. These tracks are composed of numerous small, colored dots (yellow, red, blue) connected by thin, light-colored lines, creating a dense, web-like structure that fills the entire frame. The tracks appear to be spiraling or branching out from various points, suggesting the paths of particles as they interact or decay.

T_R_A_C_K :
an accurate ray-tracing tool for
magnet development at PSI

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The ultimate magnet
quality inspection tool is
a particle beam.

- particle ray-tracing is integral part of magnet design and magnetic measurements analysis
- true particle ray-tracing (integration in space with the real non-parametrised fields)
- available option (VF Opera-3d) was restricted, inflexible and slow for ray-tracing
- own code allowing for future modifications and extensions at will and at no extra costs

- predecessor was a 2D programme (“gokart”)
- development started in 1987
- written in FORTRAN 77
- graphics are X11 based (PSI-GRAPHX package)
- original platform DEC VAX / VMS
- ported to Tru64 UNIX, Mac OS X and Linux

- based on the analytical solution of the EOM, not implementation of Runge-Kutta or any other numerical method
- integration accuracy depends only on the field accuracy
- originally designed for analysis of beam line magnets and parts of beam lines (Cartesian coordinate system)
- fully 3D, horizontal as well as vertical beam bending planes
- tracks single particles and full phase-space beam with outputs at any point along the beam

- magnetic fields are input – either calculated or measured fields on grid points
- electric fields added, allowing for analysis of magnetic separators or particle spin rotators
- implemented relativistic effect on particle mass
- time-harmonic varying field option added for analysis of cyclotrons
- built-in scripting language

$$\vec{F} = q \cdot (\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B})$$

$$\vec{F} = \frac{d}{dt} \vec{p} = \frac{d}{dt} (m \cdot \vec{v}) \approx m \frac{d}{dt} \vec{v}$$

$$\dot{v}_x = \frac{q}{m} \cdot (E_x + v_y \cdot B_z - v_z \cdot B_y)$$

$$\dot{v}_y = \frac{q}{m} \cdot (E_y + v_z \cdot B_x - v_x \cdot B_z)$$

$$\dot{v}_z = \frac{q}{m} \cdot (E_z + v_x \cdot B_y - v_y \cdot B_x)$$

$$\vec{v}(t) = \vec{\psi}_1 + \vec{\psi}_2 \cdot t + \vec{\psi}_3 \cdot \cos(\omega \cdot t) + \vec{\psi}_4 \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t)$$

$$\vec{\psi}_i = f\left(\frac{q}{m}, \vec{E}, \vec{v}(0), \vec{B}\right)$$

$$\omega = f\left(\frac{q}{m}, B\right)$$

$$\vec{s}(t) = \int \vec{v}(t) dt$$

equation of motion

assumption:

the particle mass does not change

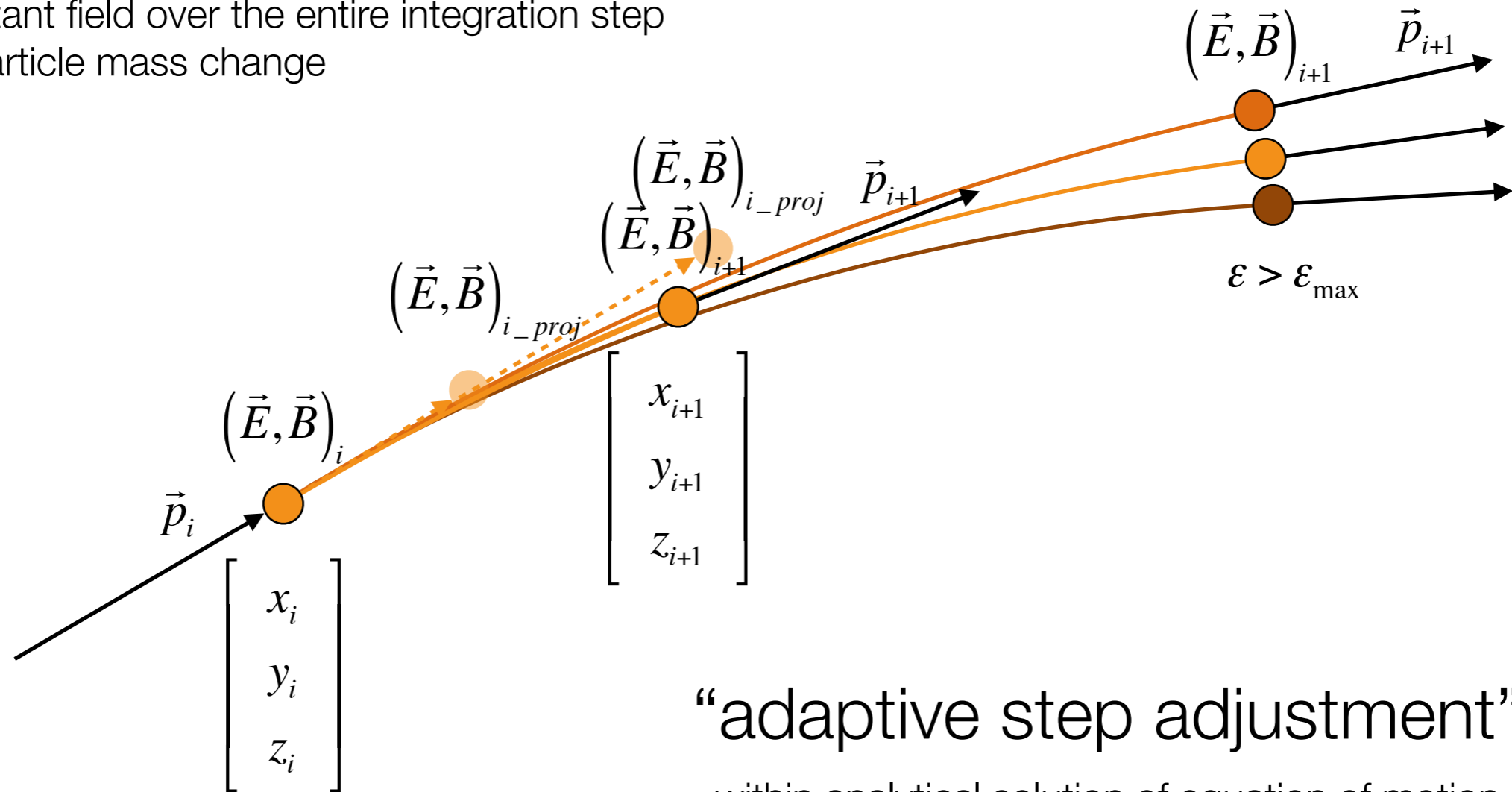
set of partial differential equations

assuming that the fields are constant
this can be solved analytically

position in space is then exact

assumptions:

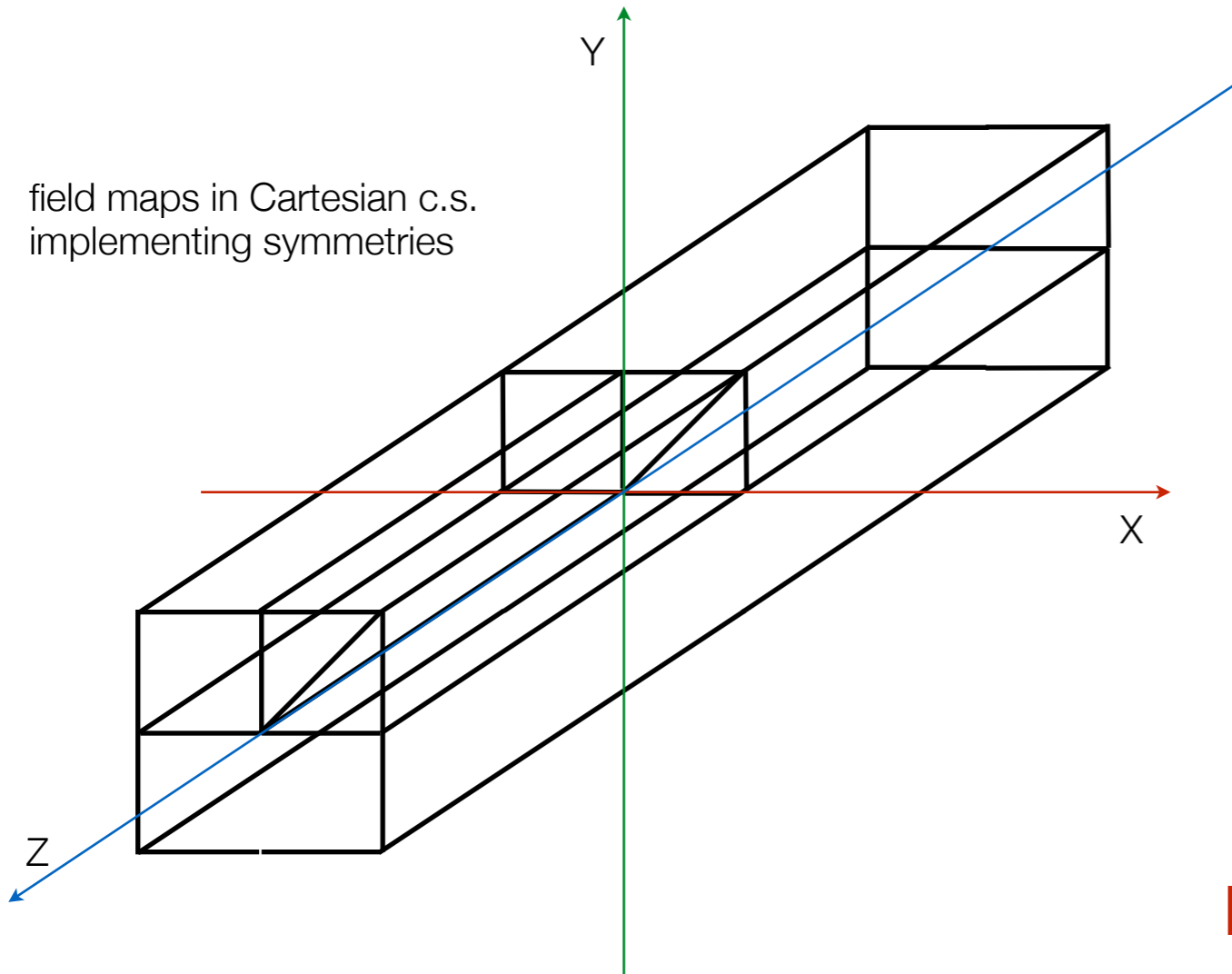
constant field over the entire integration step
no particle mass change



“adaptive step adjustment”

within analytical solution of equation of motion

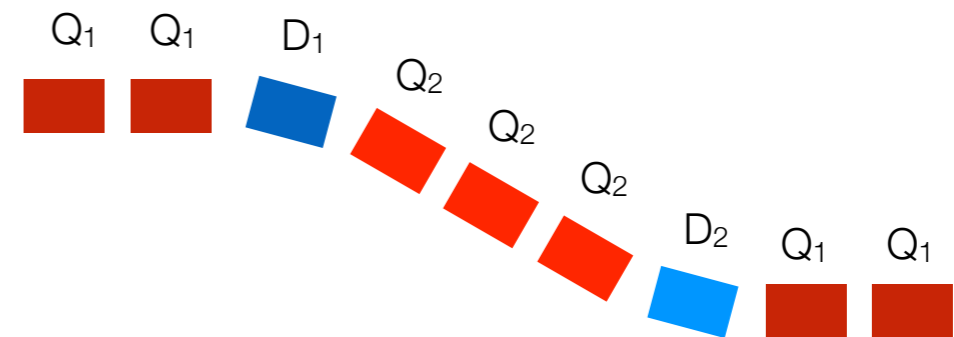
field maps in Cartesian c.s.
implementing symmetries



building beam lines:

- translation, rotation in 3D
- field strength adjustment

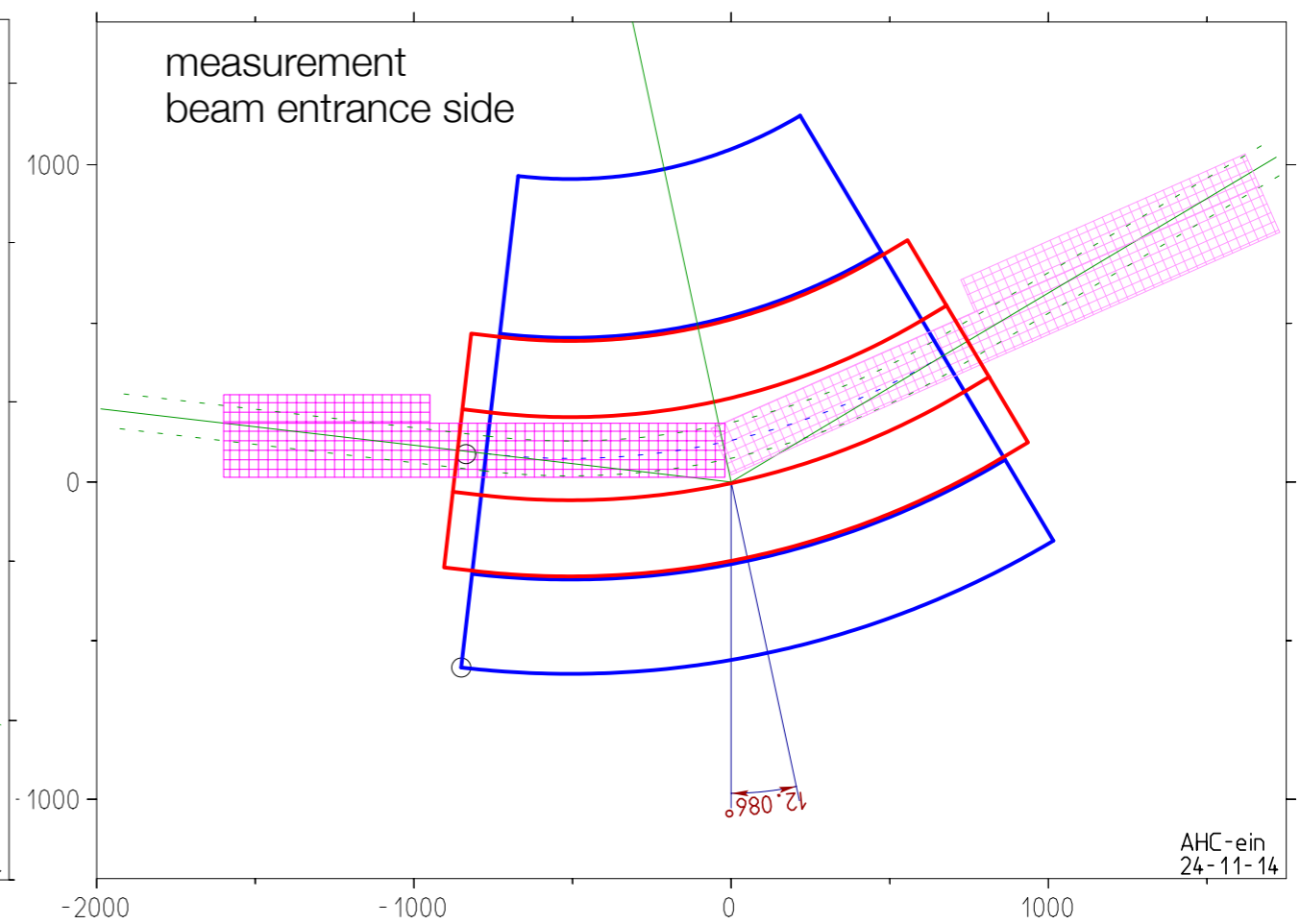
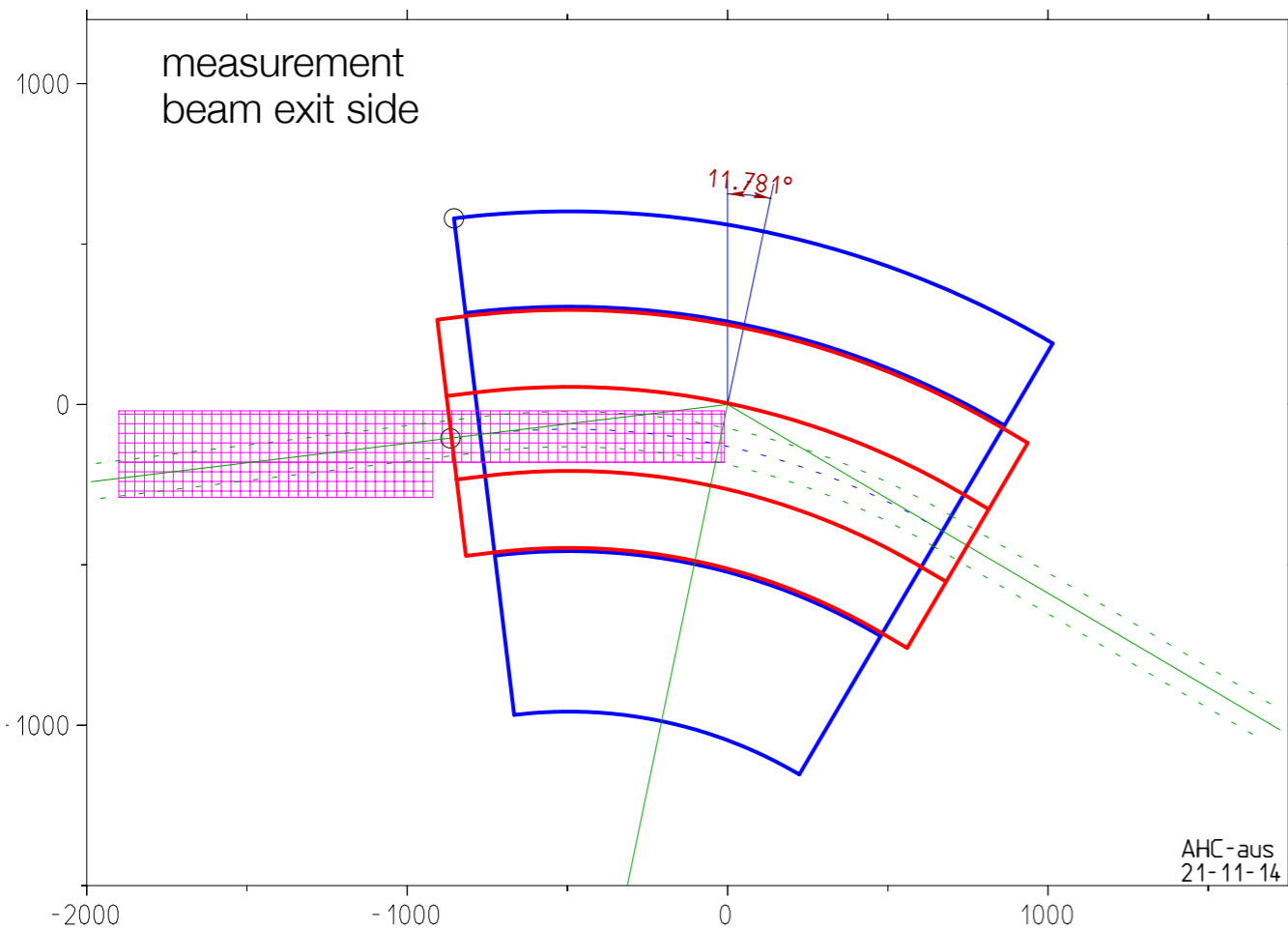
e.g. field maps: Q_1 , Q_2 , D_1 , D_2



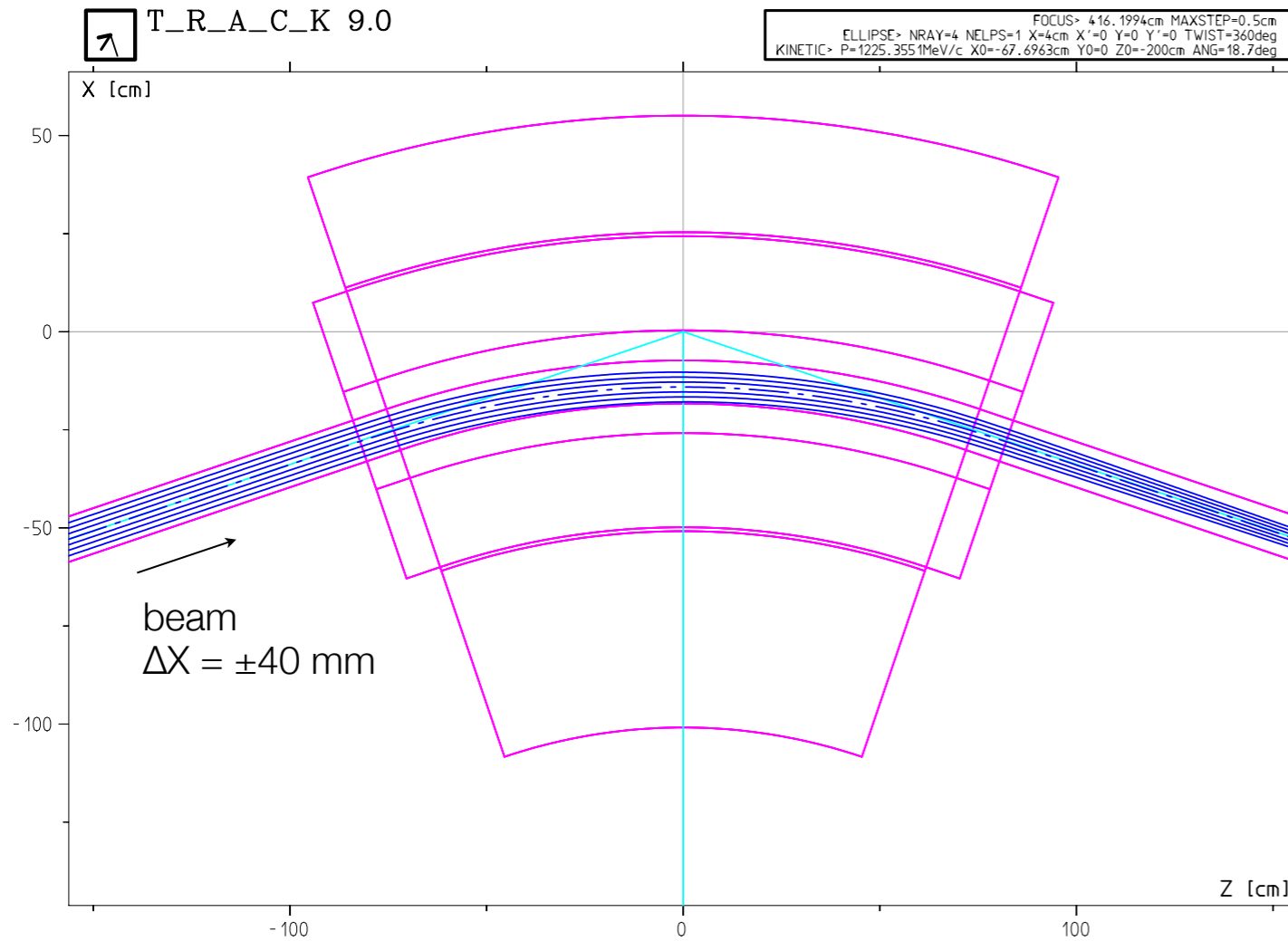
- input/output file format for set of particles (with full beam phase-space)
- transfer matrix, 1st and 2nd order
- K1 fringe field parameter
- beam envelope calculation

Examples: single dipole magnet (HIPA, PSI) I

sector magnet
gap = 100 mm
 $B_0 = 1.64$ T
bending angle = 37.4°
bending radius = 2.5 m
 $p^+ 590$ MeV



Examples: single dipole magnet (HIPA, PSI) II

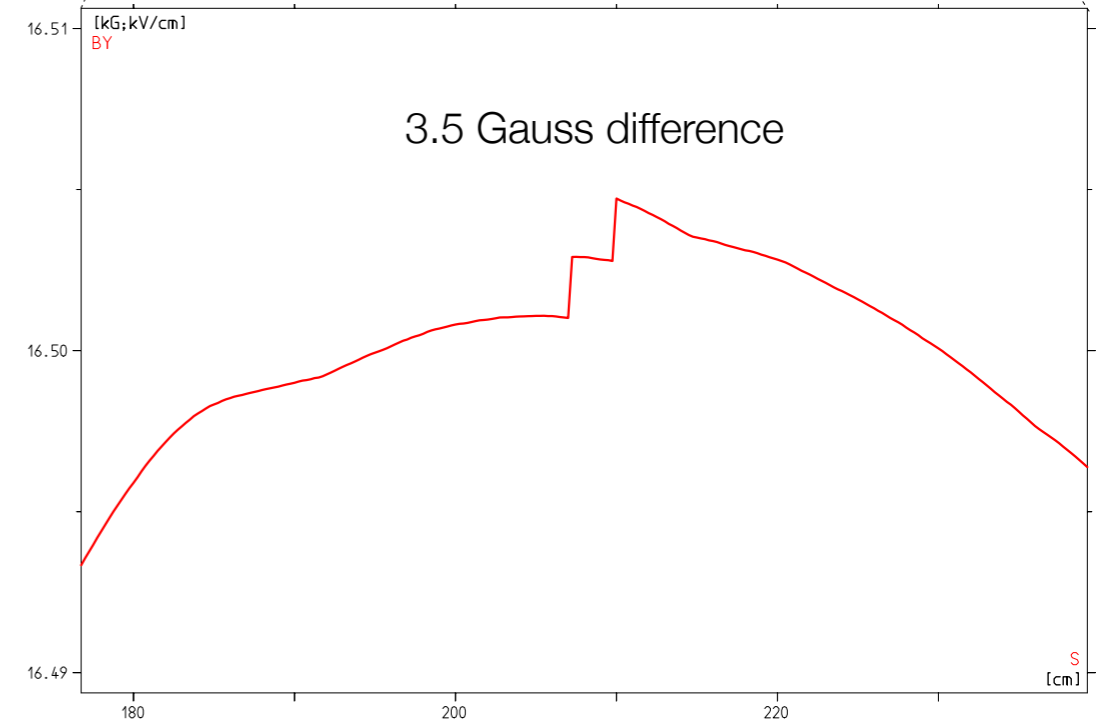
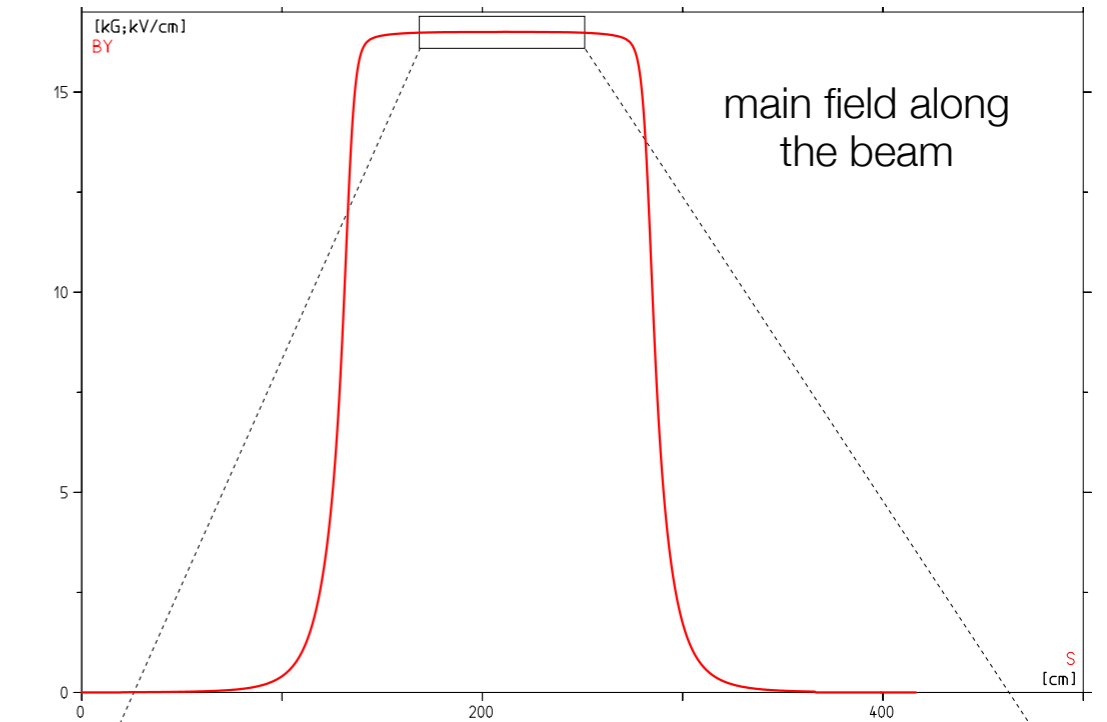


$I_{meas} = 900 \text{ A}$

tune for 37.4°
 $p^+ 605.24 \text{ MeV}$

beam vertex off by:
 $\Delta Z = 3.6 \text{ mm}$
 $\Delta X = 1.2 \text{ mm}$

correction:
move magnet in Z by $+1.5 \text{ mm}$

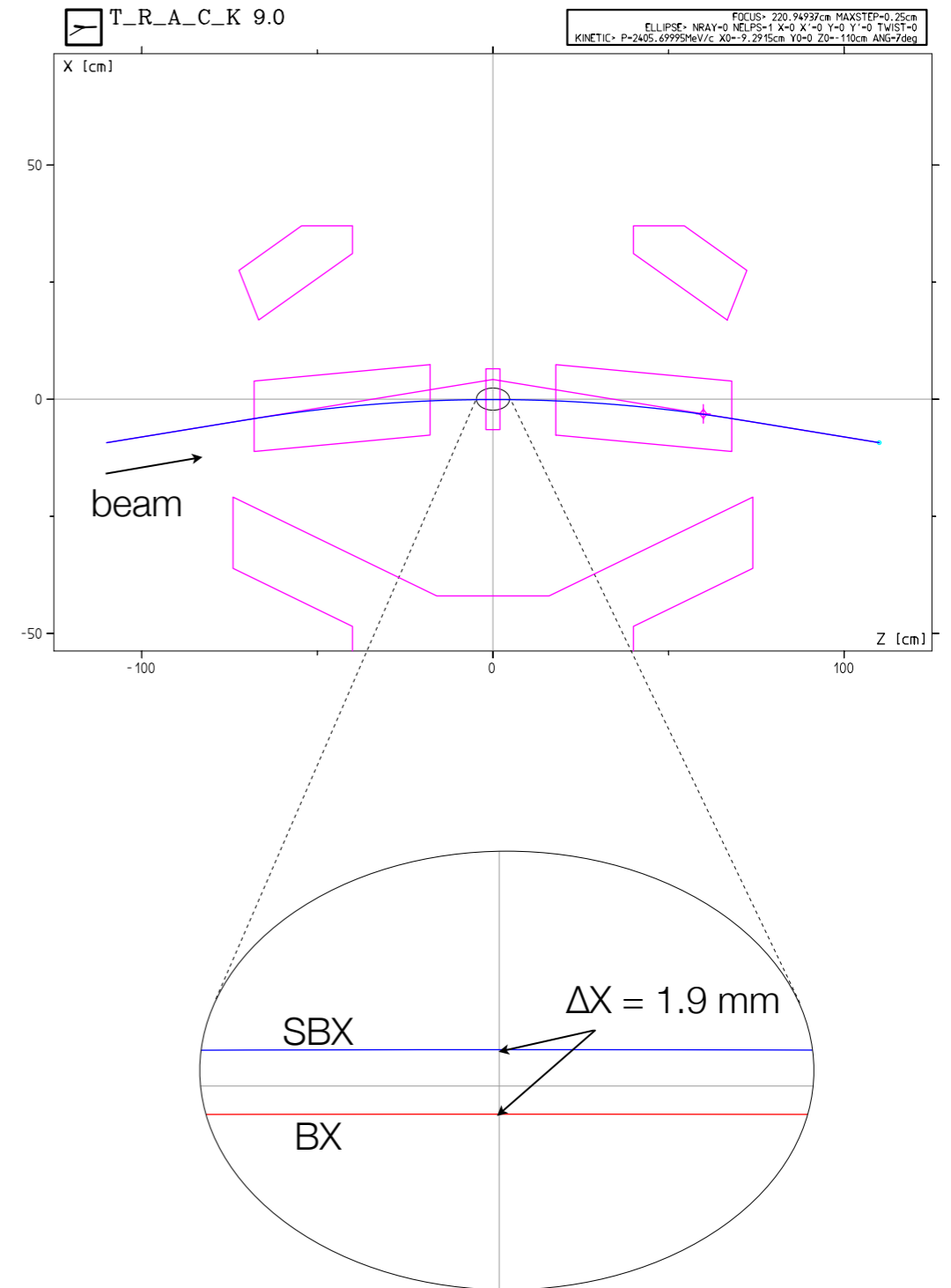
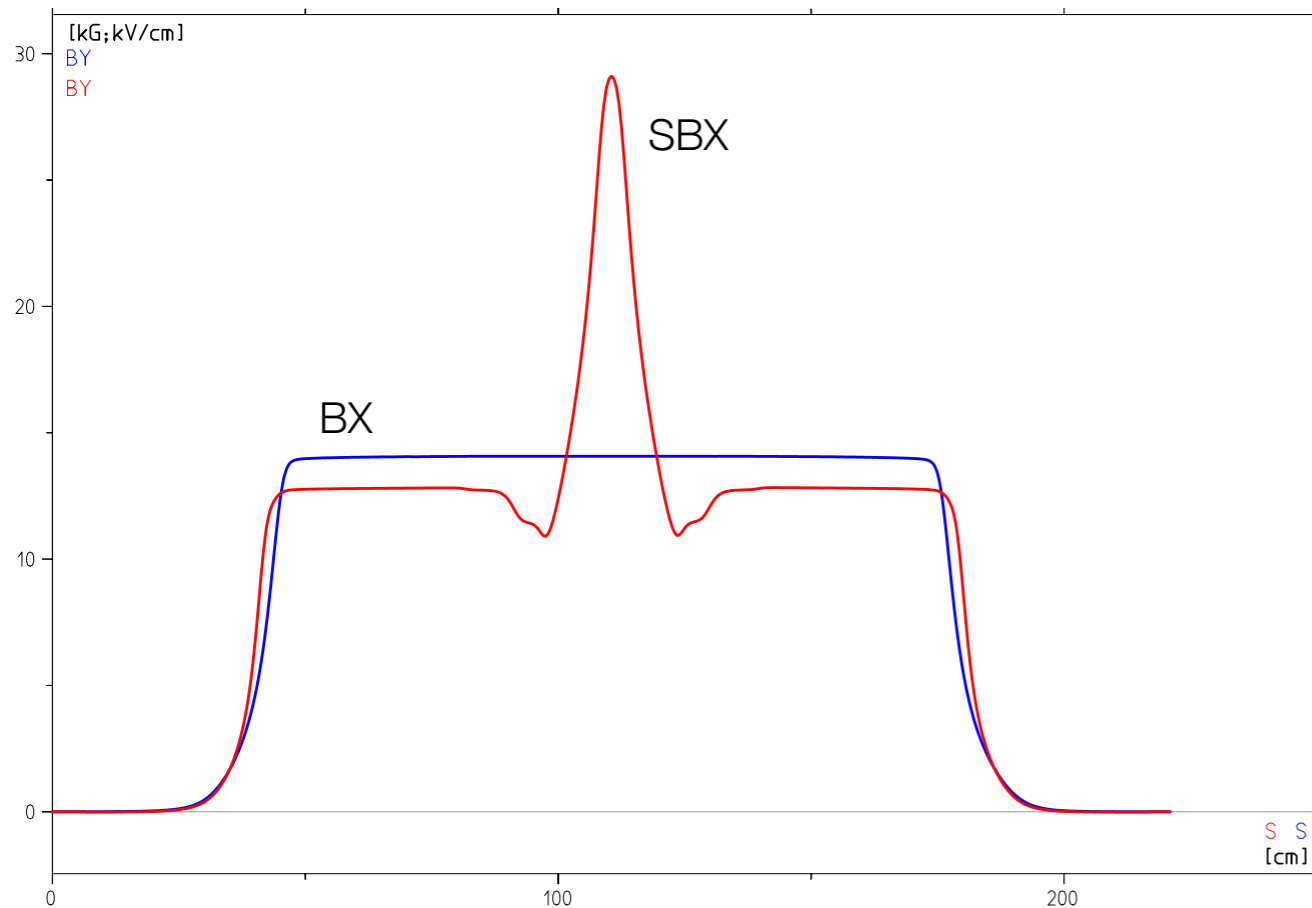


Examples: single dipole magnet (SLS, PSI)

BX : H-magnet
 $B_0 = 1.4 \text{ T}$

SBX : H-magnet with 3 poles
 $B_0 = 3 \text{ T}$

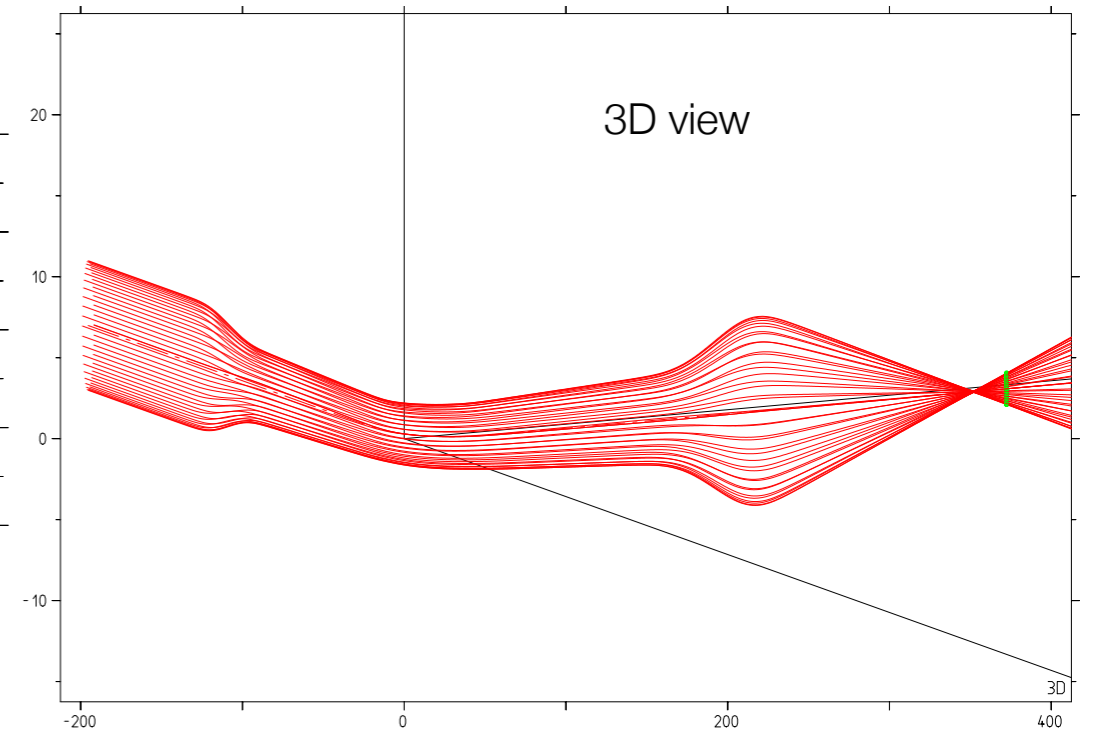
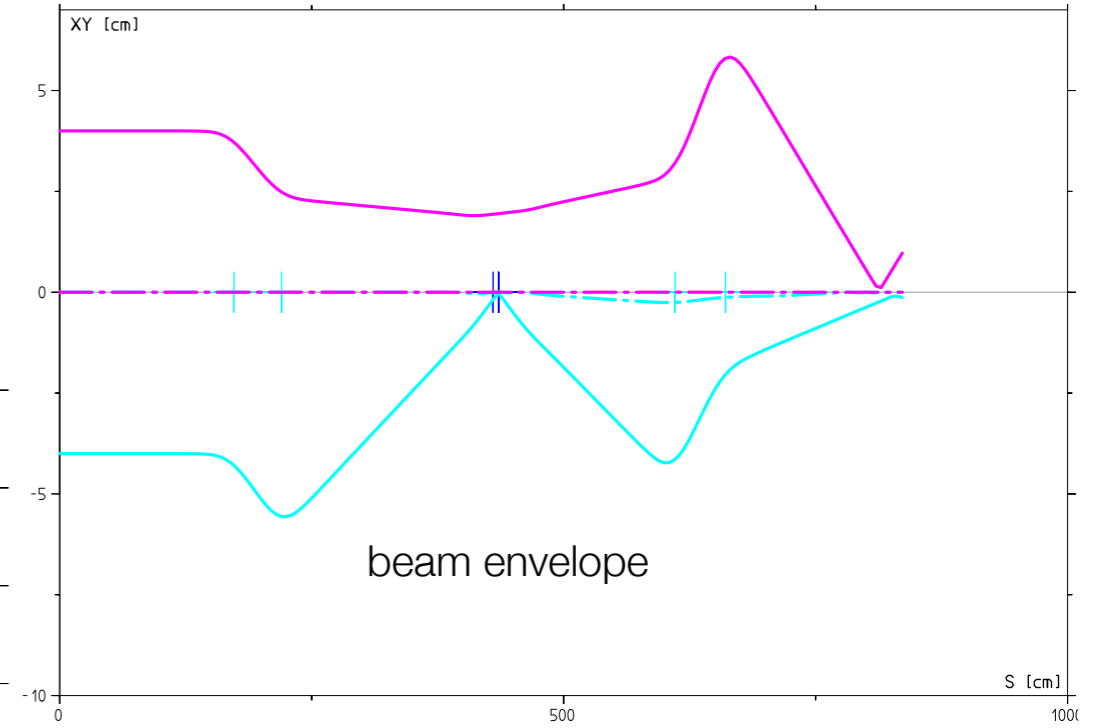
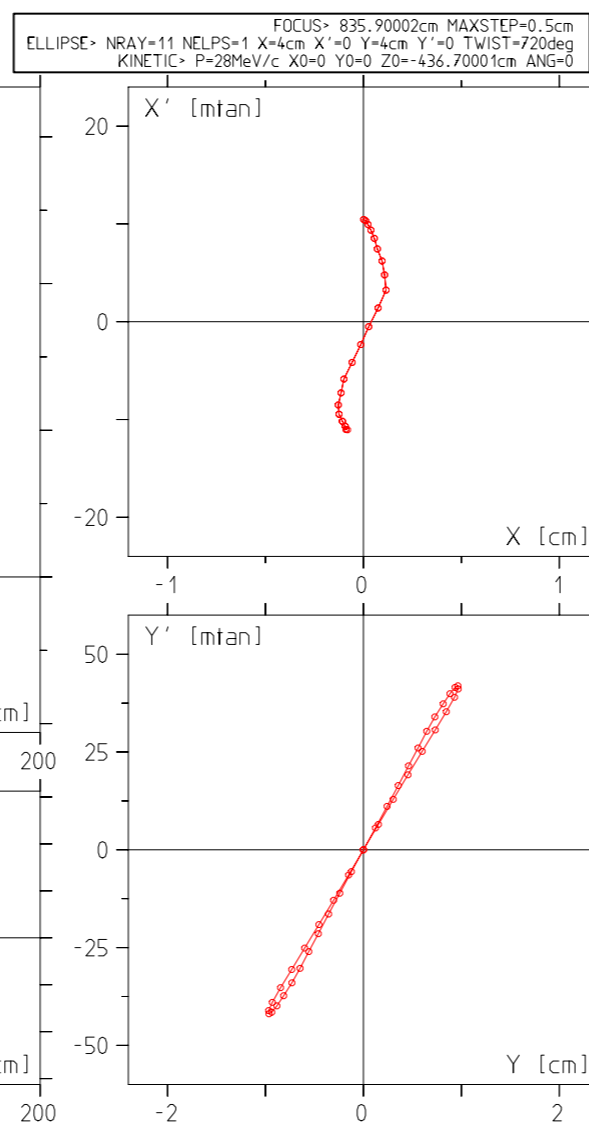
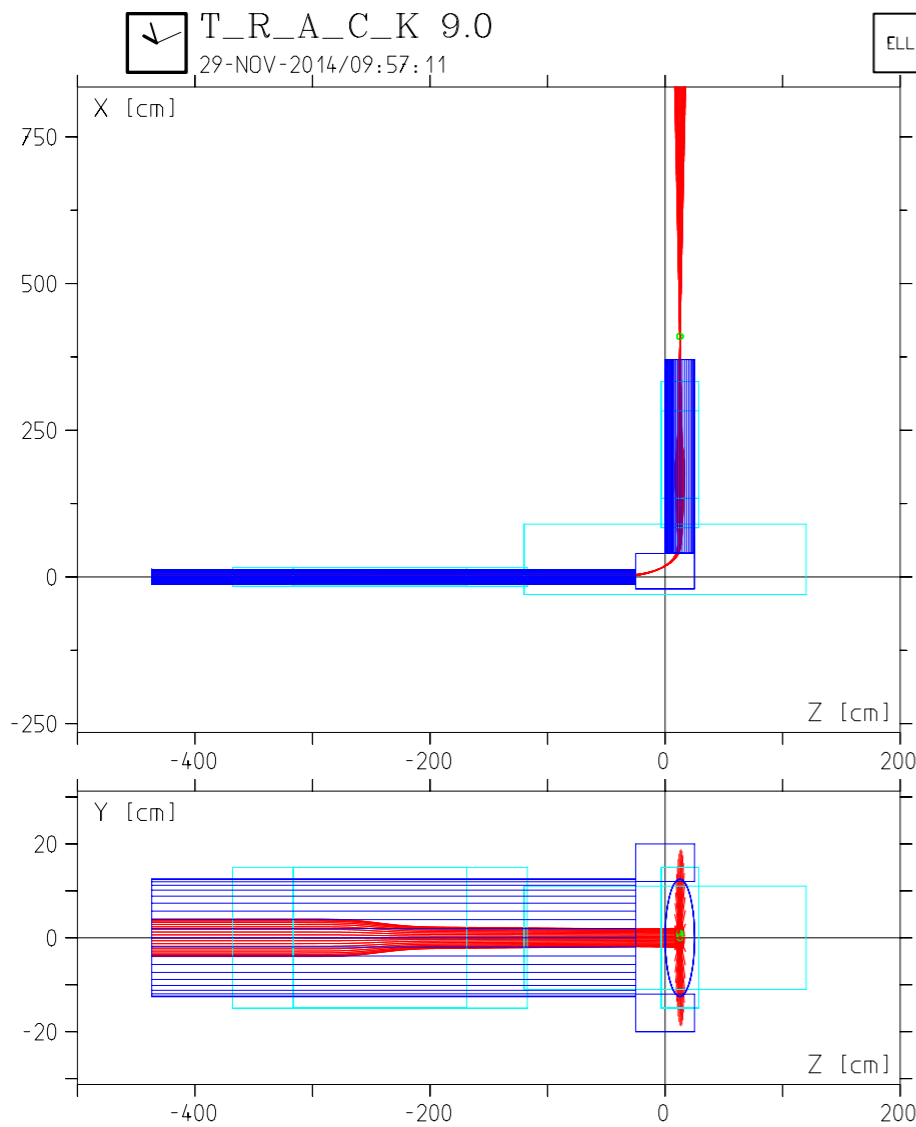
gap = 42 mm
bending angle = 14°



Examples: part of a beam line (π E1, PSI)

beam line:
4 quads (1 field map)
90° bending magnet

zero emittance beam



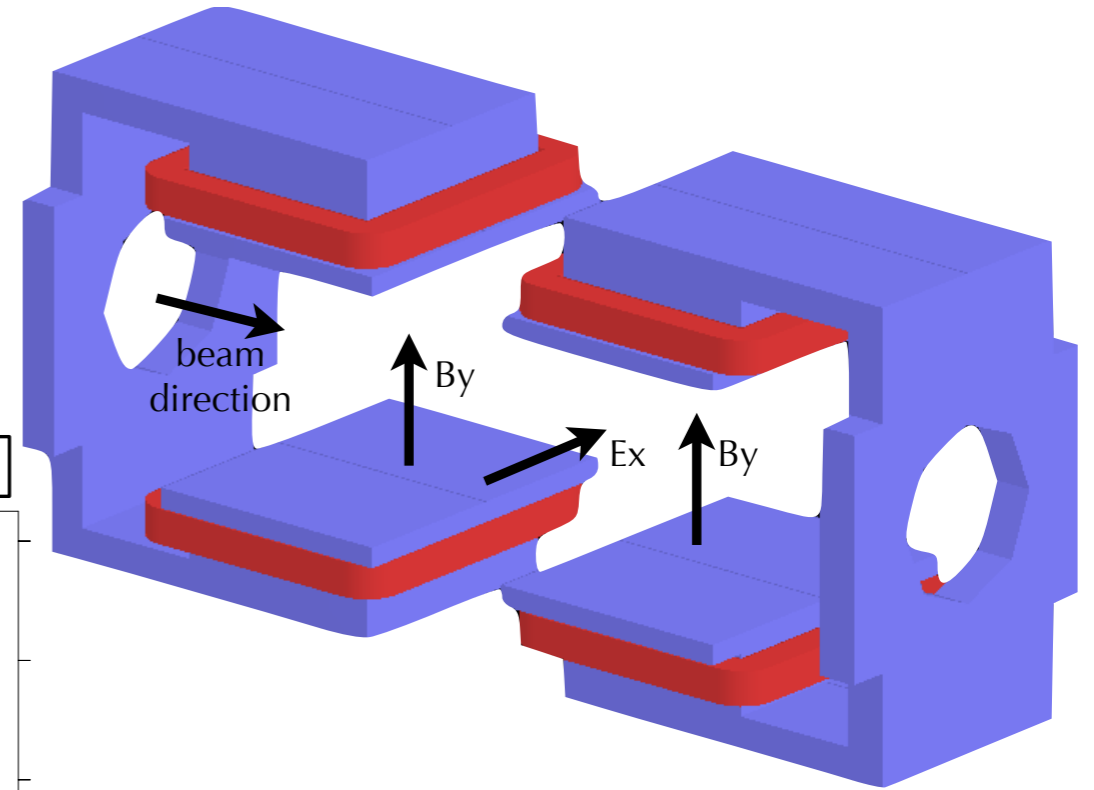
courtesy of: D. Reggiani, PSI

Examples: ExB device (μ SR, PSI) I

TOSCA calculations
with *T_R_A_C_K* optimisation
for the device geometry

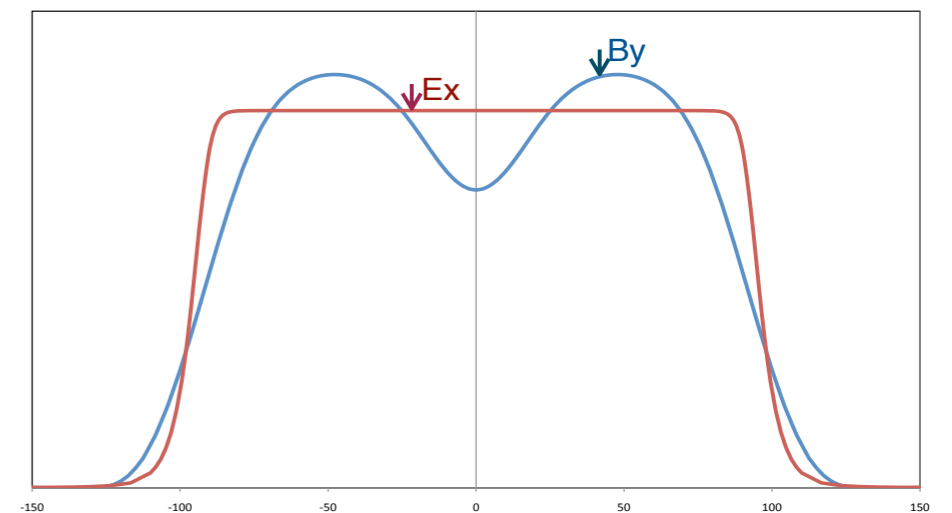
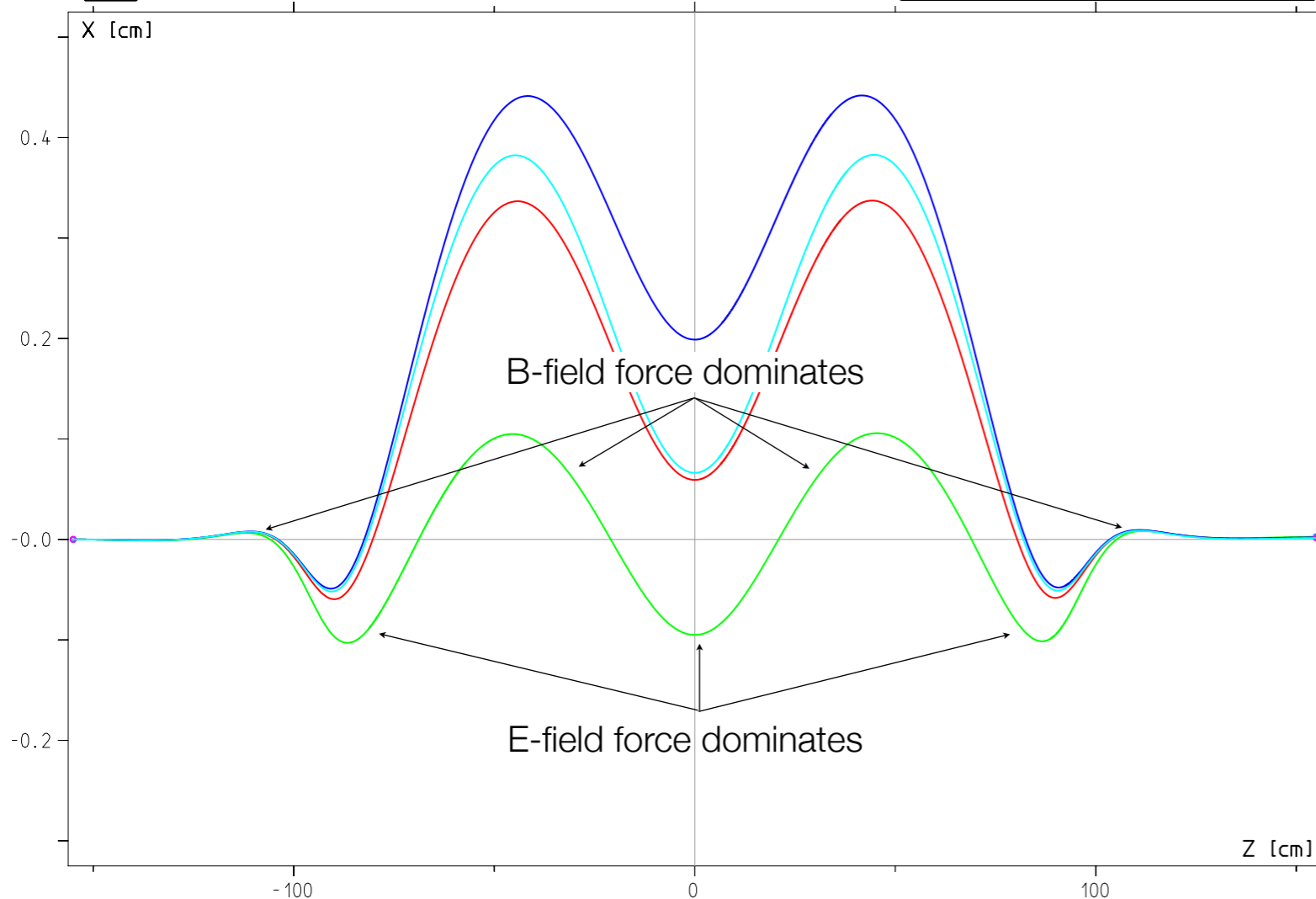
$V = \pm 175$ kV
gap = 120 mm
 $L = 1.8$ m

$B = 380$ Gauss
gap = 610 mm
 $L = 2.6$ m



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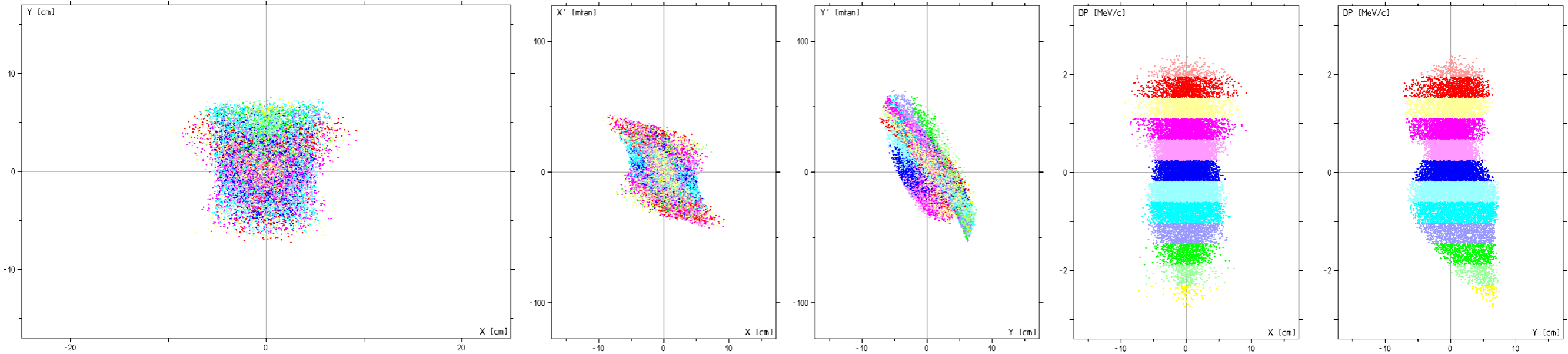
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ELLIPSE> NRAY=0 NELPS=1 X=0 X'=0 Y=0 Y'=0 TWIST=0
KINETIC> P=27.4MeV/c X0=0 Y0=0 Z0=-155cm ANG=0



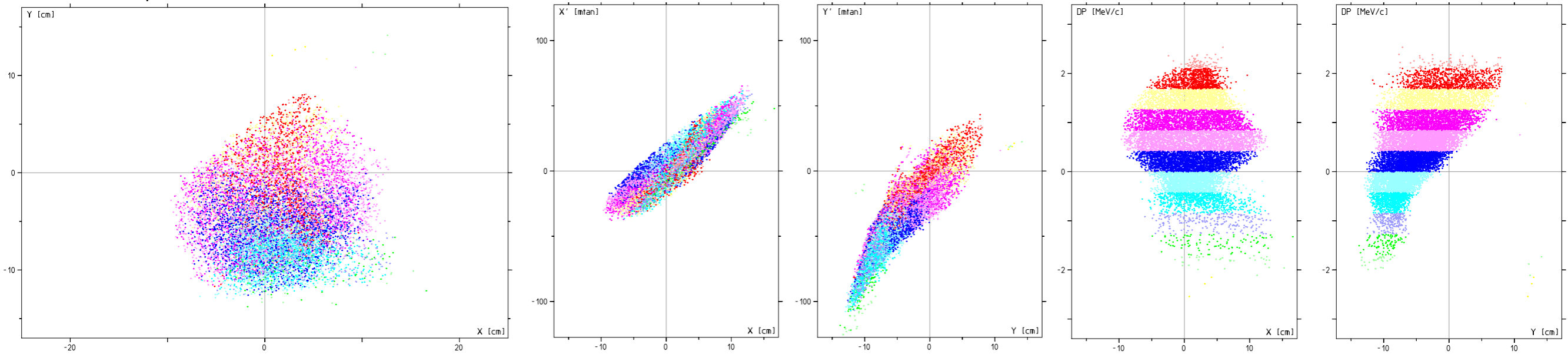
V. Vrankovic et al., "Design of a Magnet for the Spin-Rotator Device for the High Magnetic Field μ SR Instrument at Paul Scherrer Institute", IEEE Transactions on Applied Superconductivity, 22(3), 2012

Examples: ExB device (μ SR, PSI) II

before the separator $p_0 = 27.4 \text{ MeV}/c$
20'000 rays



after the separator 65.4% transmission

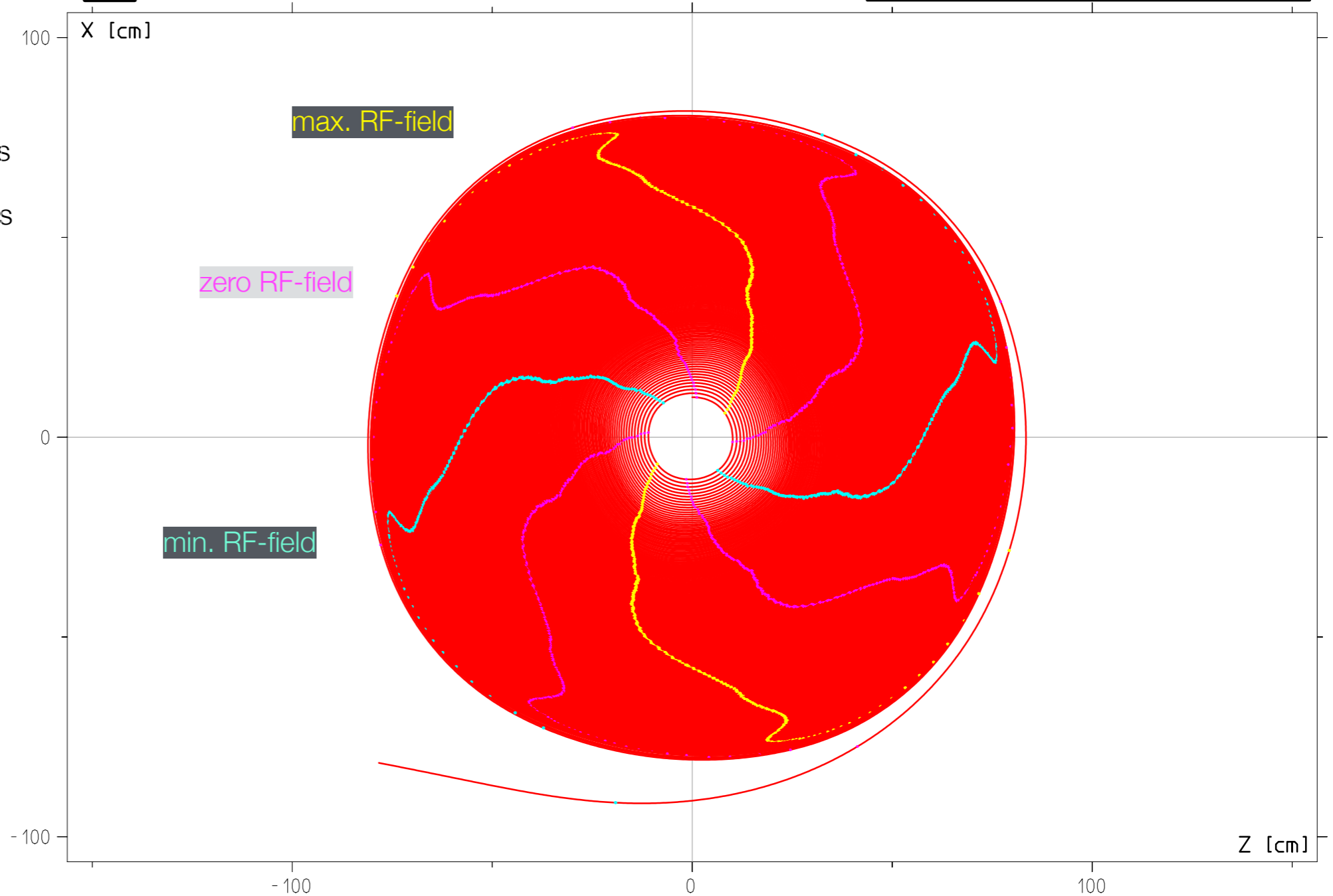


beam courtesy of K. Sedlak, PSI

Examples: cyclotron (PROSCAN, PSI)

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FOCUS> 200000cm MAXSTEP=0.5cm FREQ=72.615MHz T0=3ns
 ELLIPSE> NRAY=0 NELPS=1 X=0 X'=0 Y=0 Y'=0 TWIST=0
 KINETIC> P=72.258MeV/c X0=10cm Y0=0 Z0=0 ANG=0.7146deg



various effects investigated:

- effect of coil geometry errors (tilt, shift, asymmetry)
- magnetic field random errors
- dee voltage asymmetry

J.M. Schippers, D.C. George, V. Vrankovic, "Results of 3D Beam Dynamic Studies in Distorted Fields of a 250 MeV Superconducting Cyclotron", 17th International Conference on Cyclotrons and Their Applications, Japan, 2004

- true ray-tracing with analytical solution of EOM
- without any approximation or parametrisation of fields
- from 1987 till now and still going strong
- usage outside the Magnet Section but also outside of PSI
available at <http://magnet.web.psi.ch/Analysis/track.html>
- VMS  UNIX  Linux migrations
- improvement? yes – GUI
- enhancement? maybe and reluctantly – scattering

- David George - co-author
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- Phil Mees - VMS QIO events
- Urs Rohrer - TRANSPORT interface tips
- David Taqqu - particle damping
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- Christina Wouters - useful user guide

