

# Lecture 5: The hardware

## Plan

- coil winding and curing
- forces and clamping
- magnet assembly, collars and iron
- cryostats
- installation
- current leads
- some superconducting accelerators



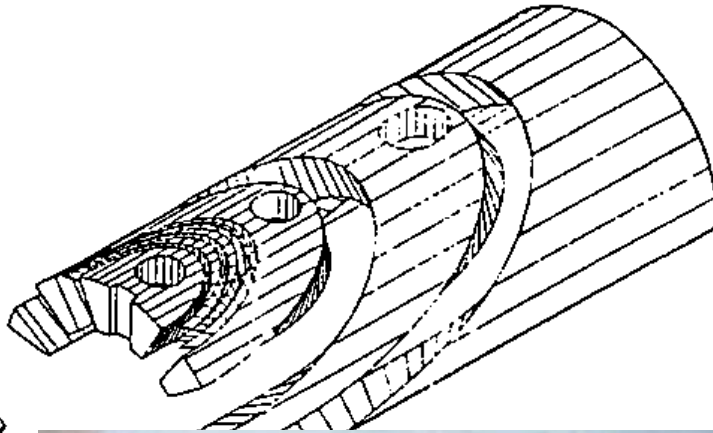
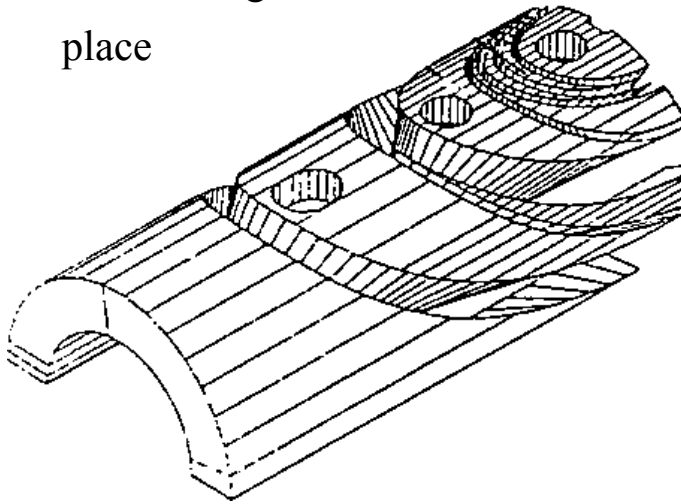
# *Winding the LHC dipoles*



*photo courtesy of Babcock Noell*

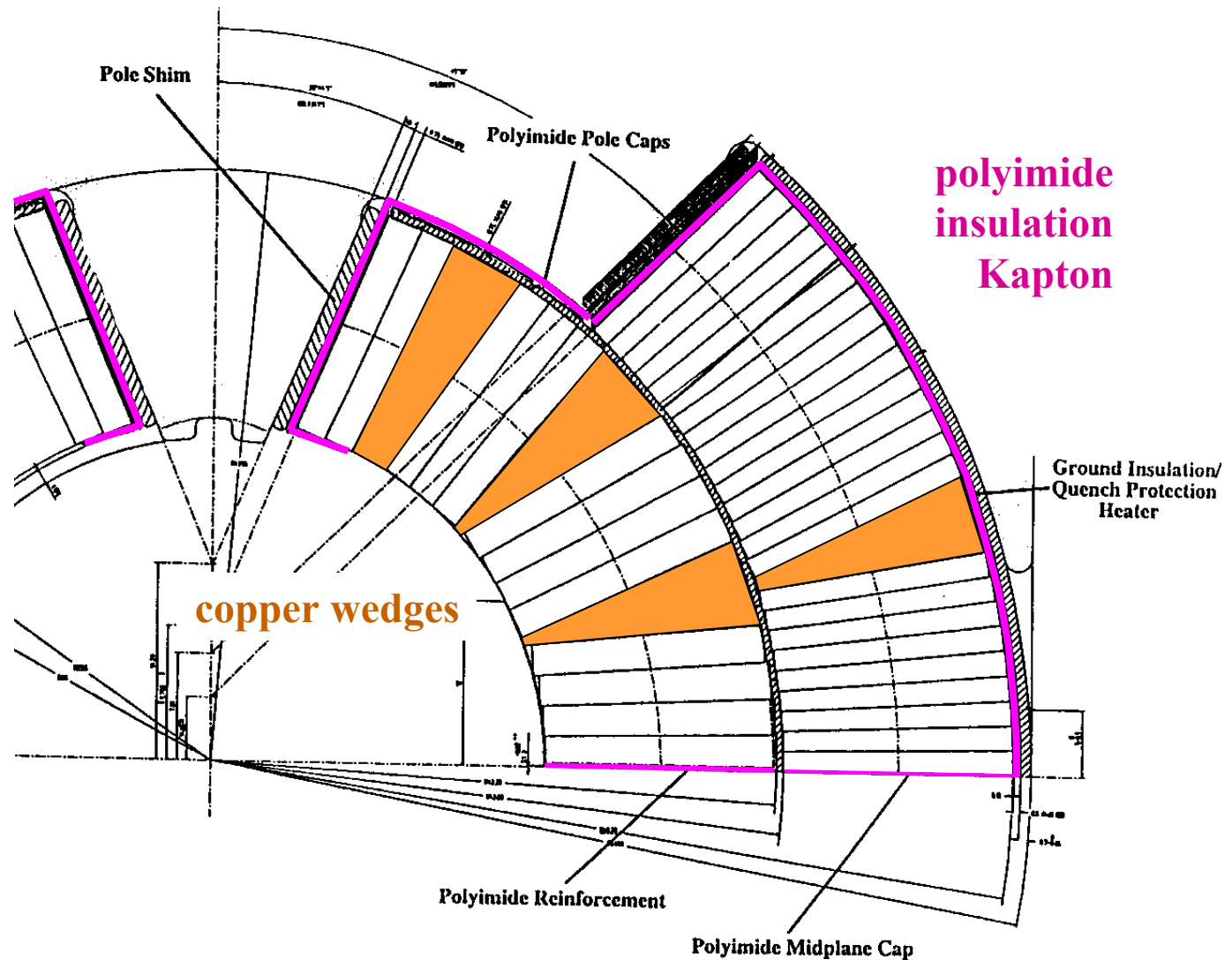
# End turns

constant perimeter end spacers  
help in winding the end turns  
because, if the cable is  
pulled tight, it will  
sit in the right  
place



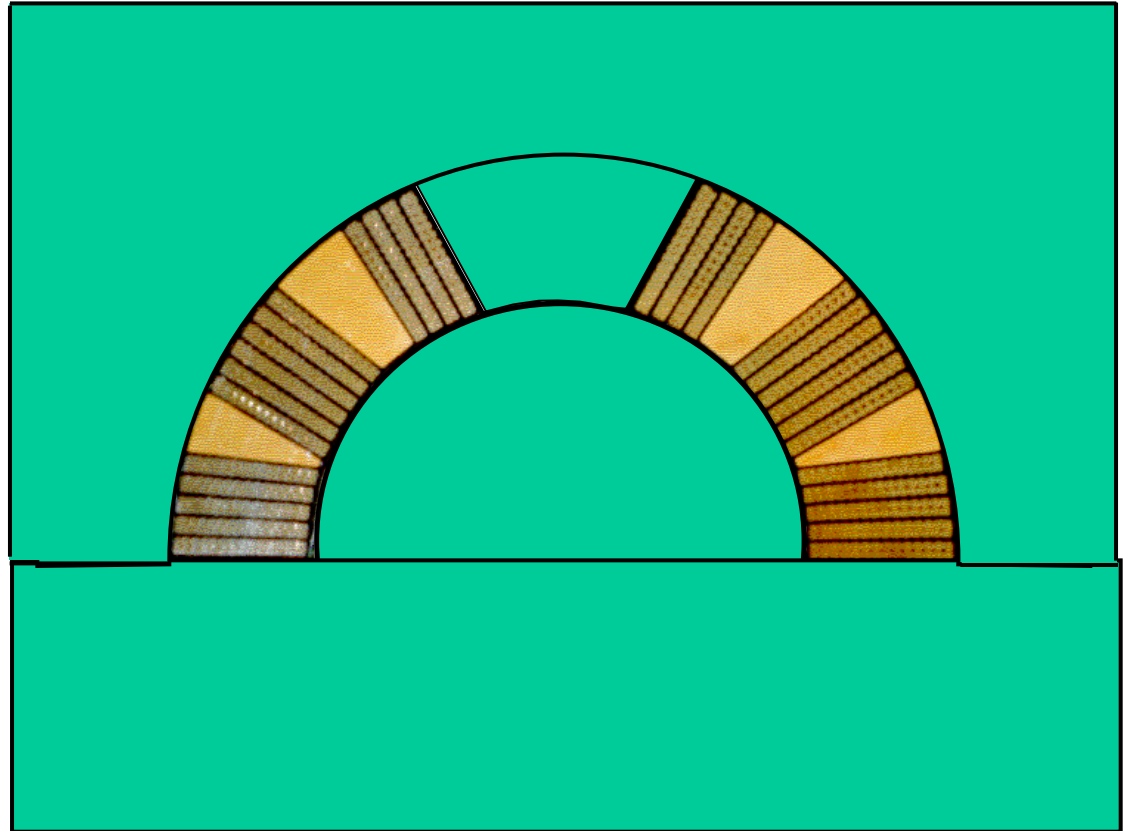
# Spacers and insulation

- copper wedges are placed between blocks of winding
- beware of voltages at quench
- great care needed with the insulation, between turns and ground plane
- example: FAIR dipole quench voltage = 340V over 148 turns



# Compacting and curing

- After winding is complete, the half coil, which is still very 'floppy' is placed within an accurately machined tool and put into the curing press.
- Here it is compacted to the exact outer dimensions and heated to activate the bonding agent on the insulation. With Kapton insulation this is usually a polyimide adhesive
- After curing, the half coil is quite rigid and easy to handle



# *Curing press*



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## *Finished coils*

after curing, the coil package is rigid and relatively easy to handle



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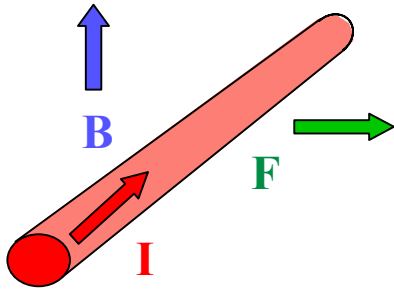
# Coils for correction magnets



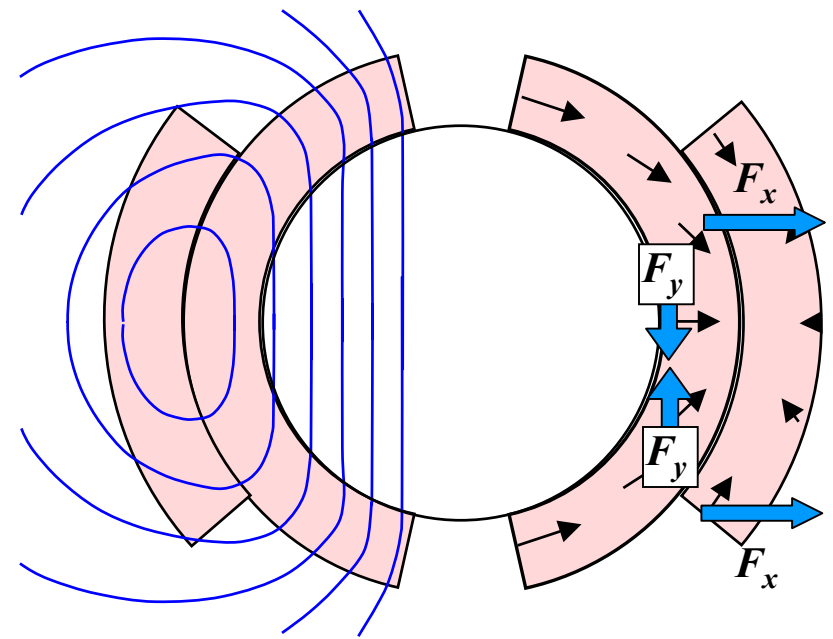
On a smaller scale, but in great number and variety, many different types of superconducting correction coils are needed at a large accelerator



# Electromagnetic forces in dipoles



$$\underline{F} = \underline{B} \wedge \underline{I}$$



- forces in a dipole are horizontally outwards and vertically towards the median plane
- approximately for a thin winding

total outward force  
*per quadrant*

$$F_x = \frac{B_i^2}{2\mu_0} \frac{4a}{3}$$

total vertical force  
*per quadrant*

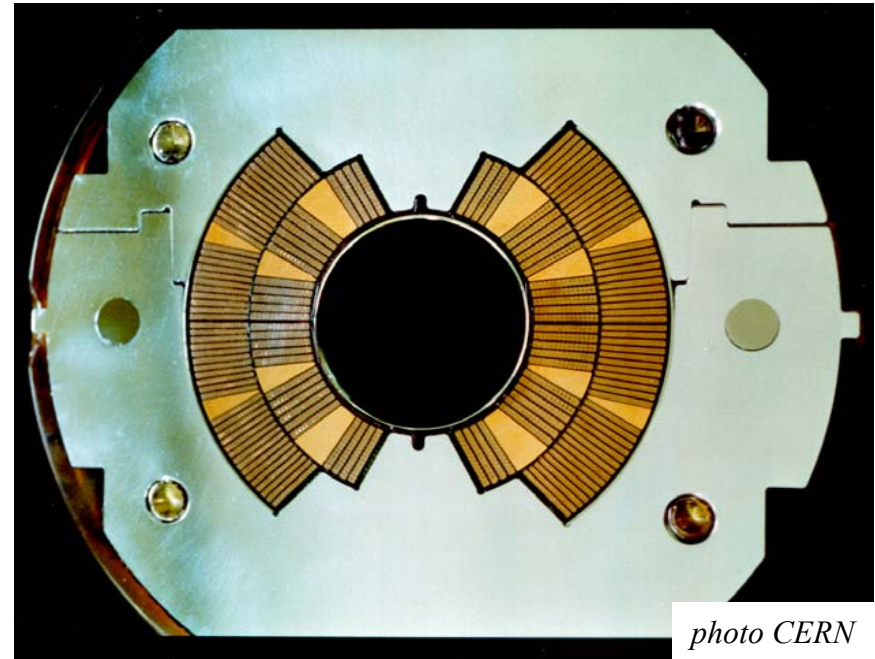
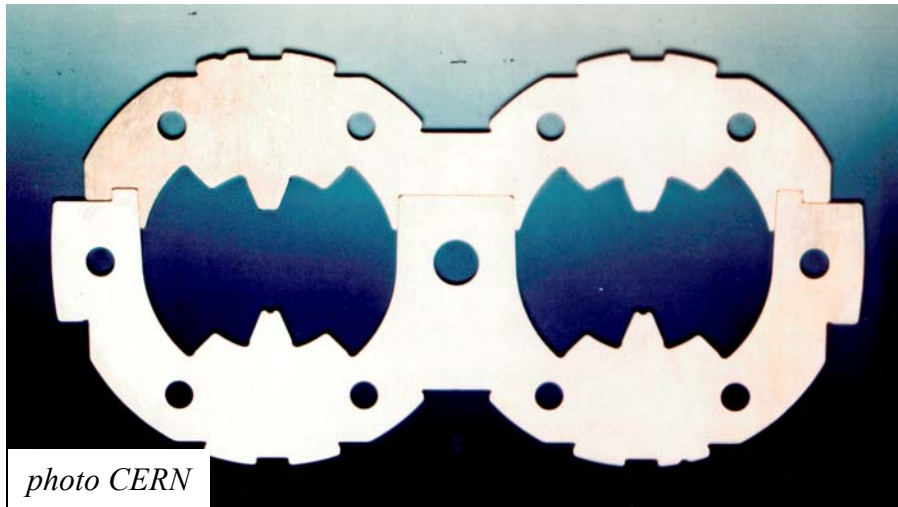
$$F_y = -\frac{B_i^2}{2\mu_0} \frac{4a}{3}$$

LHC dipole  $F_x \sim 1.6 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m} = 160 \text{ tonne/m}$

- the outward force must be supported by an external structure
- both forces cause compressive stress in the conductor and insulation
- apart from the ends, there is no tension in the conductor

# Collars

to support the electromagnetic forces, the coils are enclosed in a structure consisting of laminated **collars**

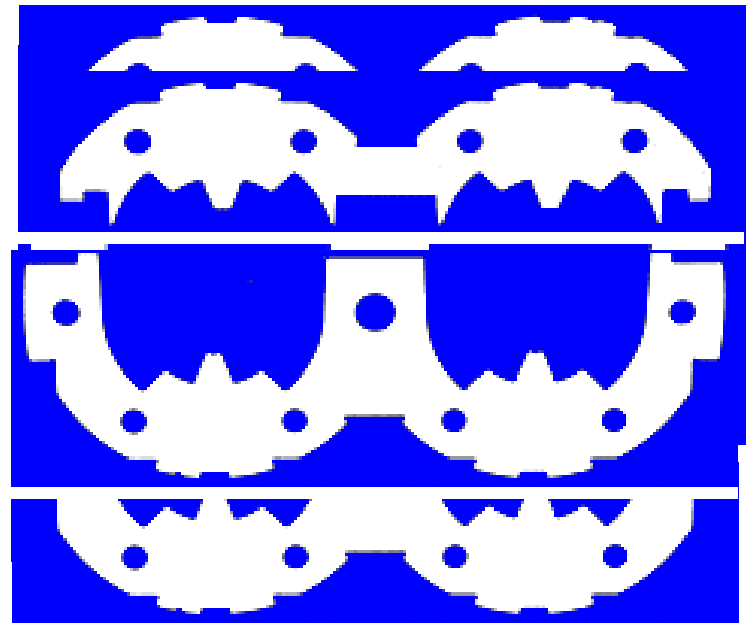


12 million produced  
for LHC

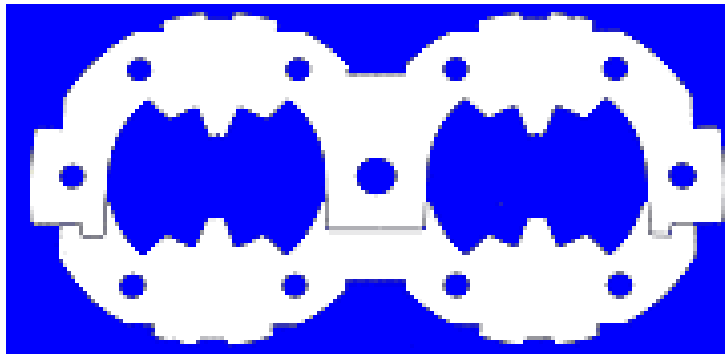
# Collars

How to make an external structure that

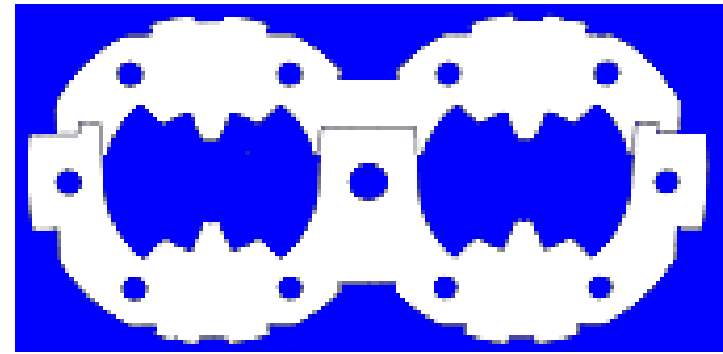
- fits tightly round the coil
  - presses it into an accurate shape
  - has low ac losses
  - can be mass produced cheaply
  - ???
- Answer make collars by precision stamping of stainless steel or aluminium alloy plate a few mm thick
- inherited from conventional magnet laminations



*press collars over coil from above and below*

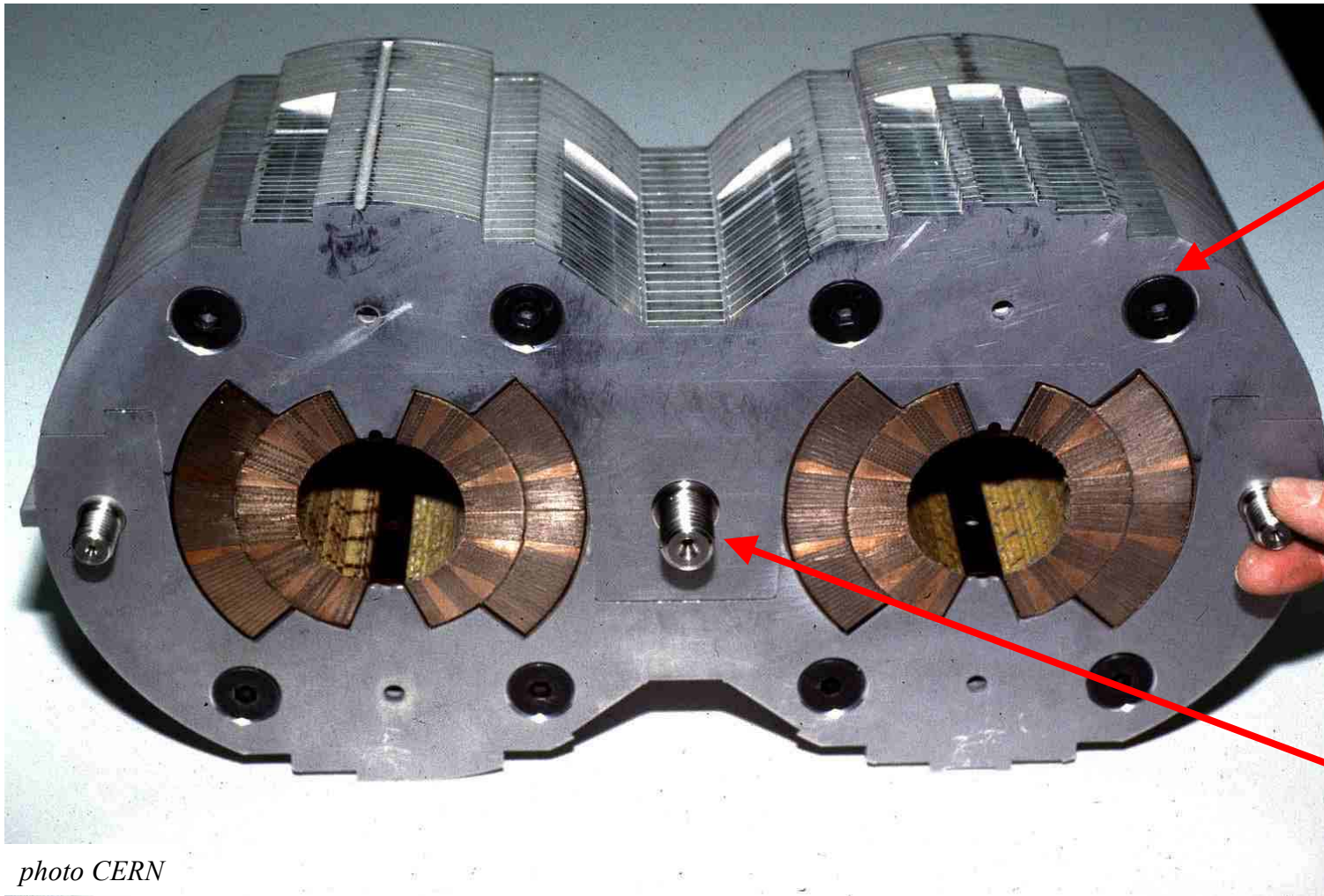


*invert alternate pairs so that they interlock*



*push steel rods through holes to lock in position*

# LHC dipole collars



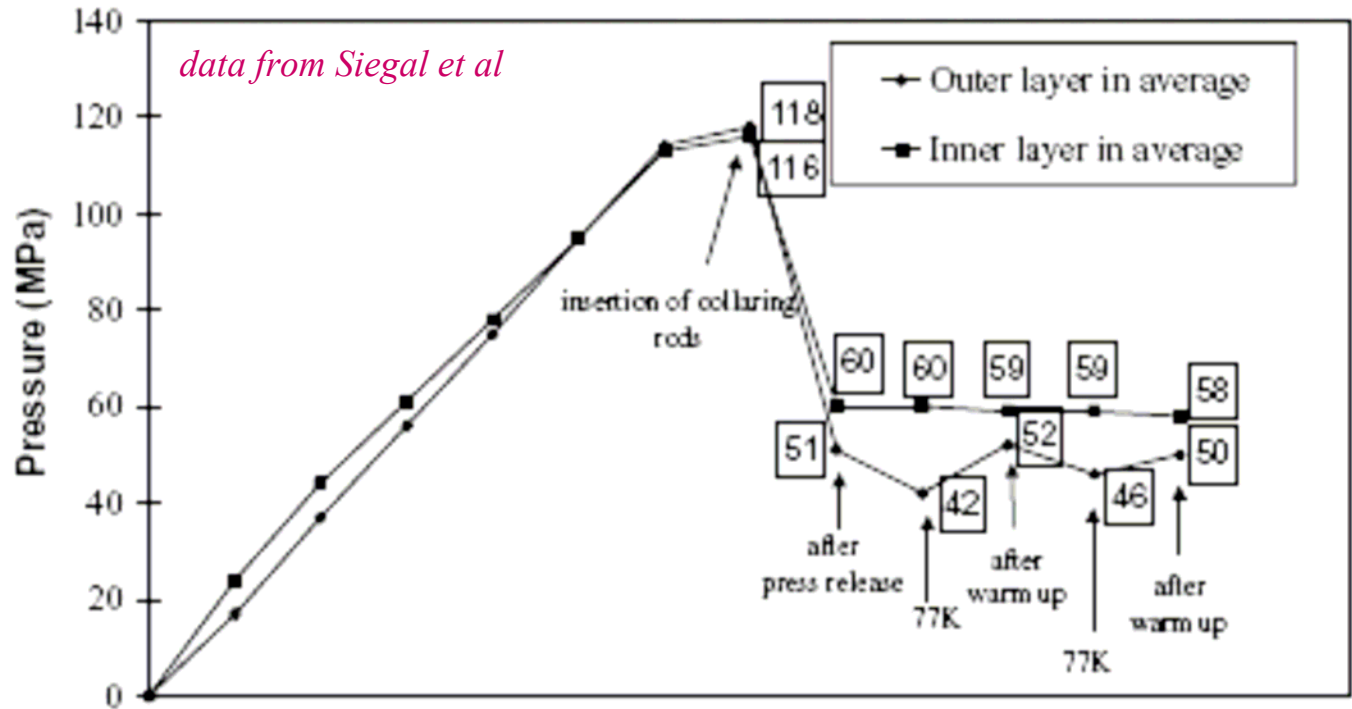
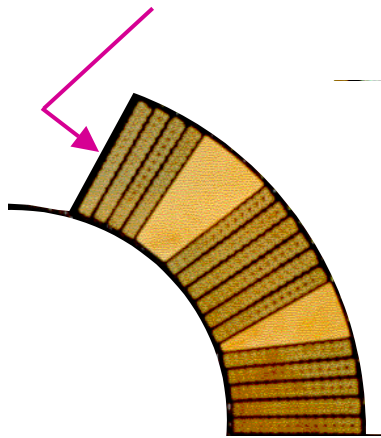
sub-units  
of several  
alternating  
pairs are  
riveted  
together

stainless  
rods lock  
the sub-  
units  
together

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# Coil internal stresses

measure the pressure here

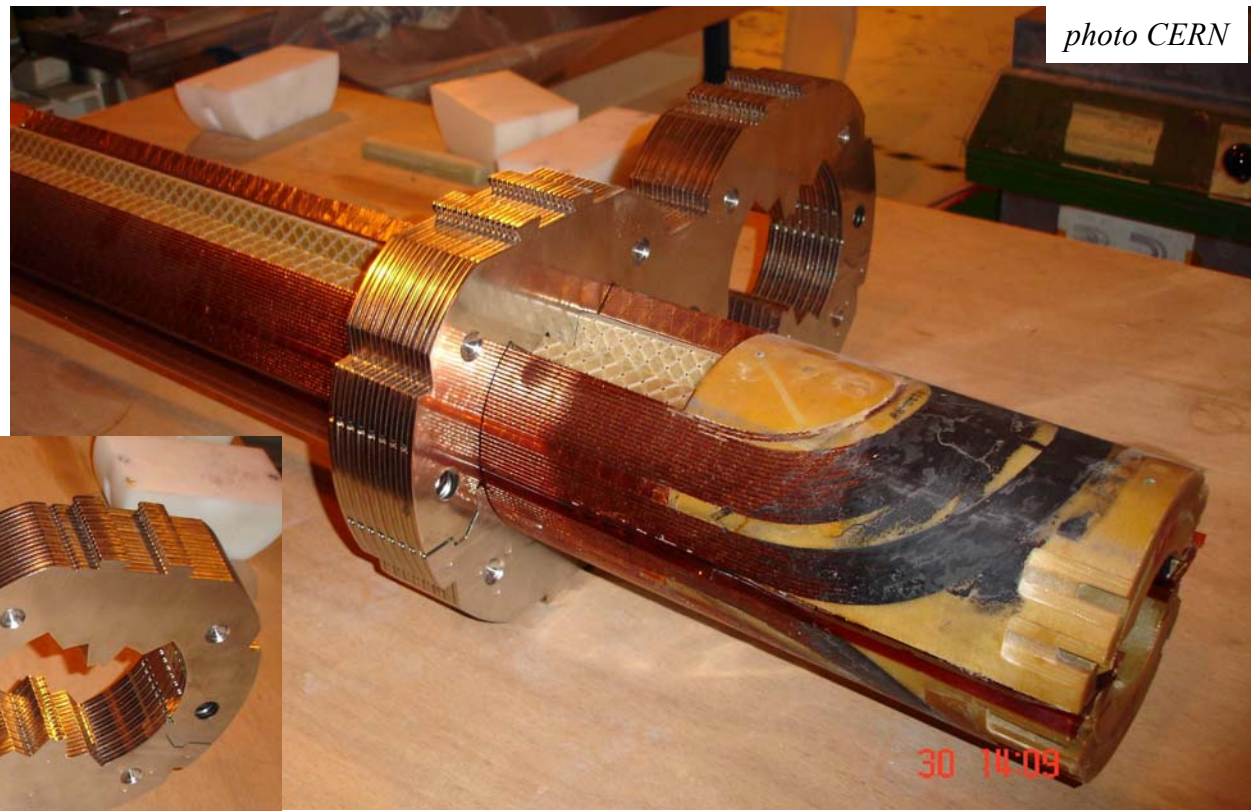


## CERN data during manufacture and operation

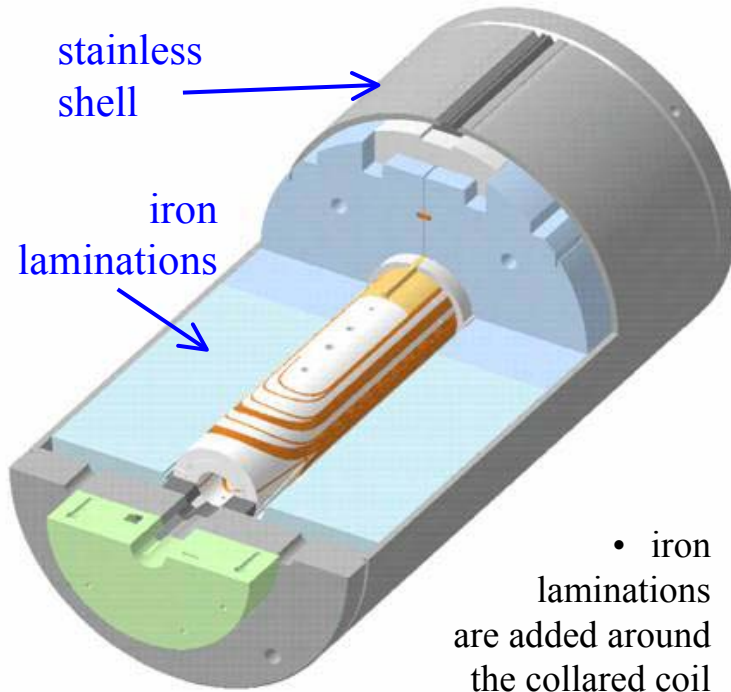
*data from Modena et al*

	after collaring at 293K		after yoking at 293K		at 1.9K		at 1.9K and 8.3T	
	inner	outer	inner	outer	inner	outer	inner	outer
MBP2N2	62MPa	77MPa	72MPa	85MPa	26MPa	32MPa	2MPa	8MPa
MBP2O1	51MPa	55MPa	62MPa	62MPa	24MPa	22MPa	0MPa	2MPa

# Collars and end plate (LHC dipole)

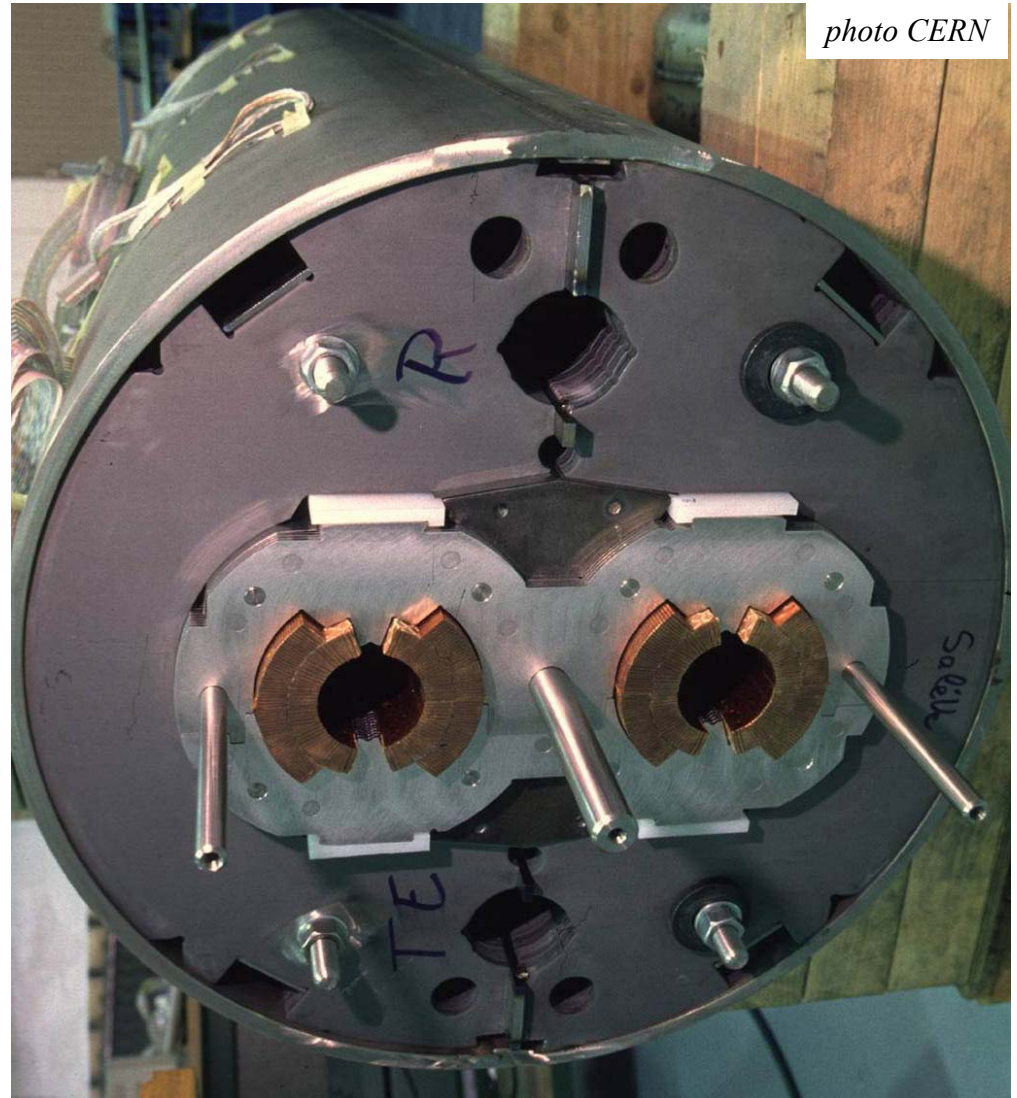


# Adding the iron

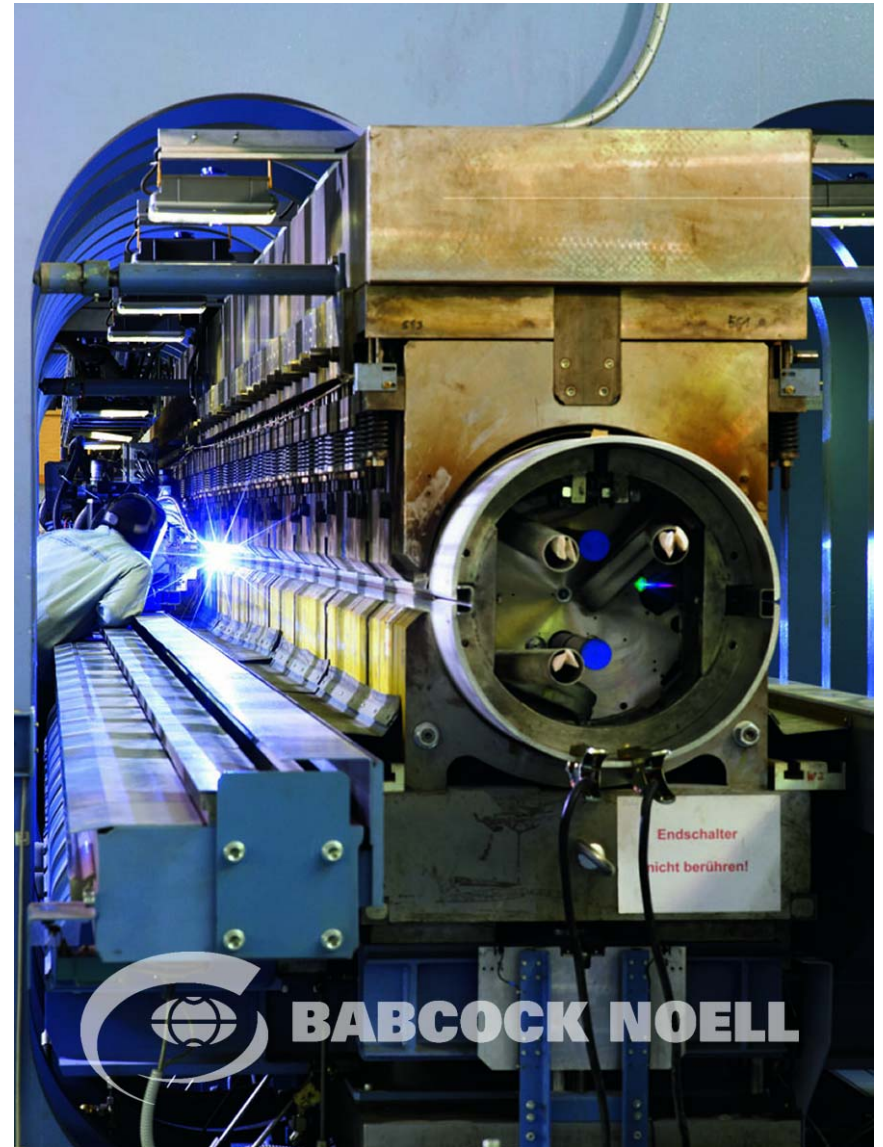
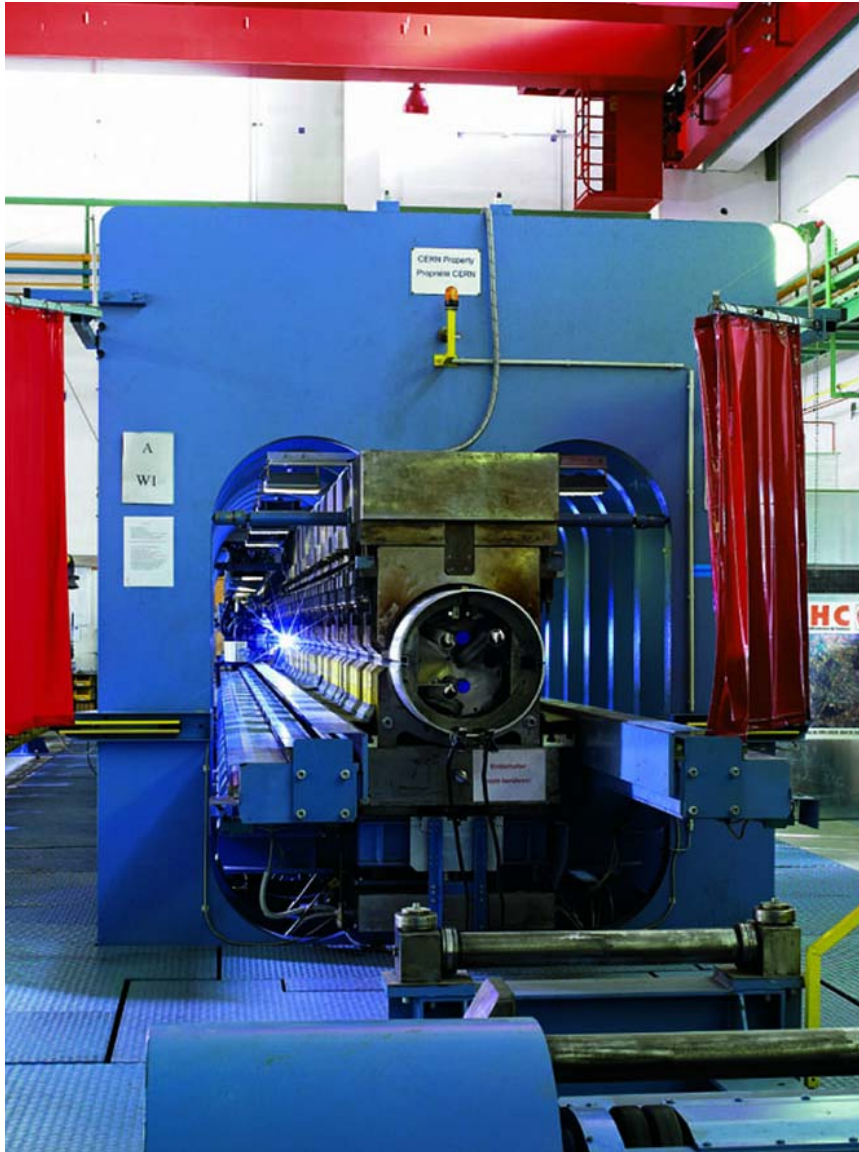


- iron laminations are added around the collared coil

- they are forced into place, again using the collaring press
- remember however that pure iron becomes brittle at low temperature
- the tensile forces are therefore taken by a stainless steel shell which is welded around the iron, while still in the press
- this stainless shell can also serve as the helium vessel

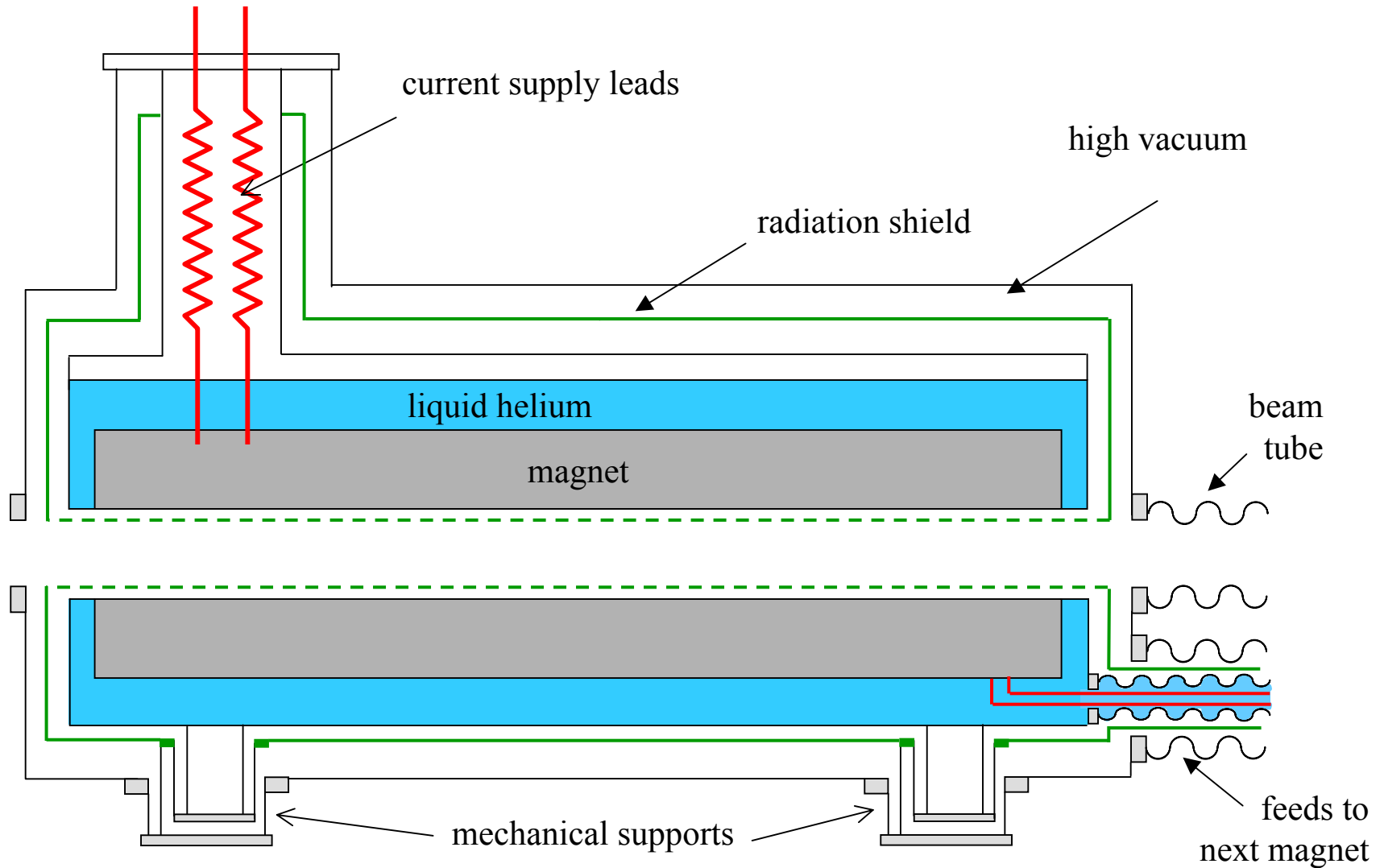


# Compressing and welding the outer shell

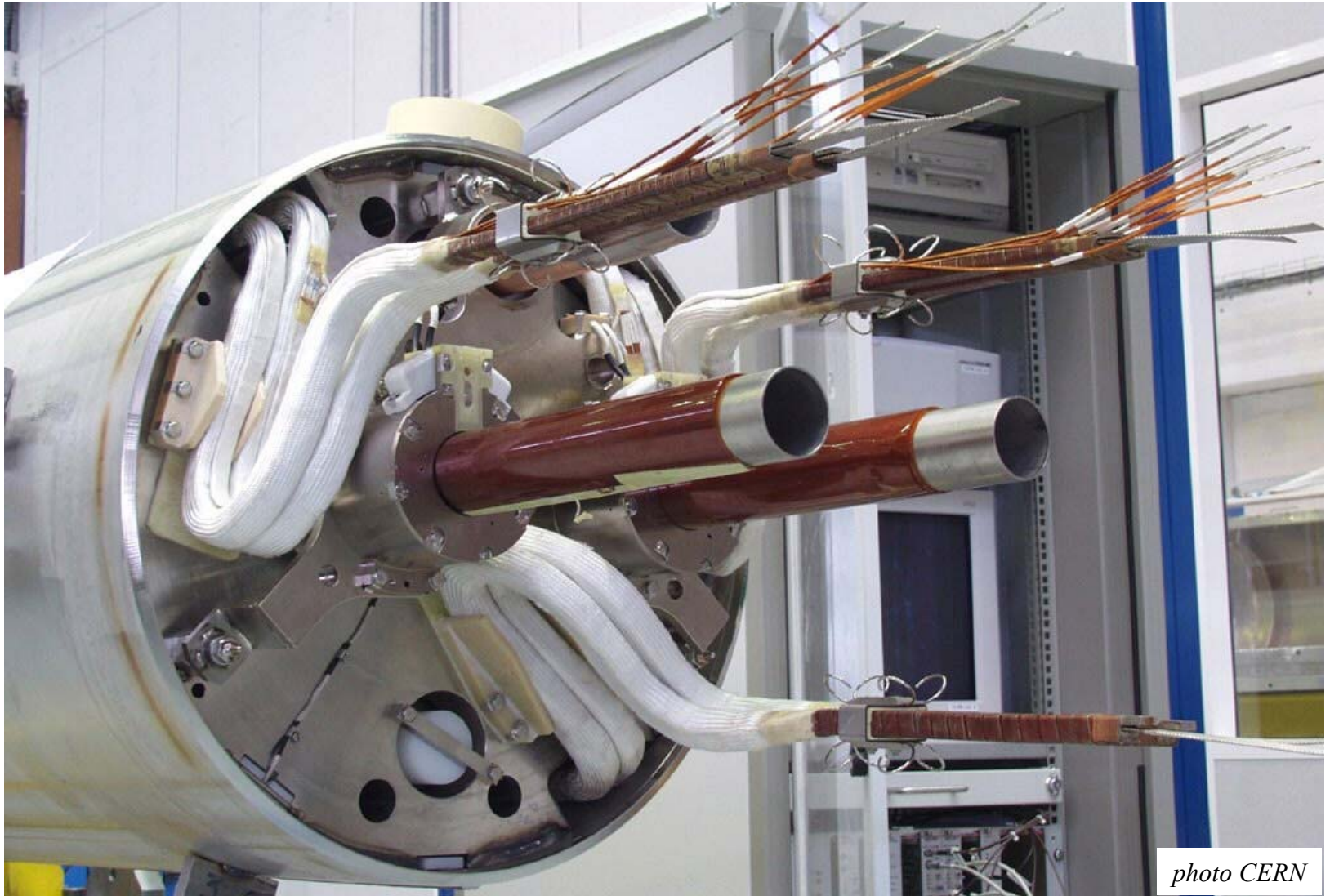




# Cryostat essentials



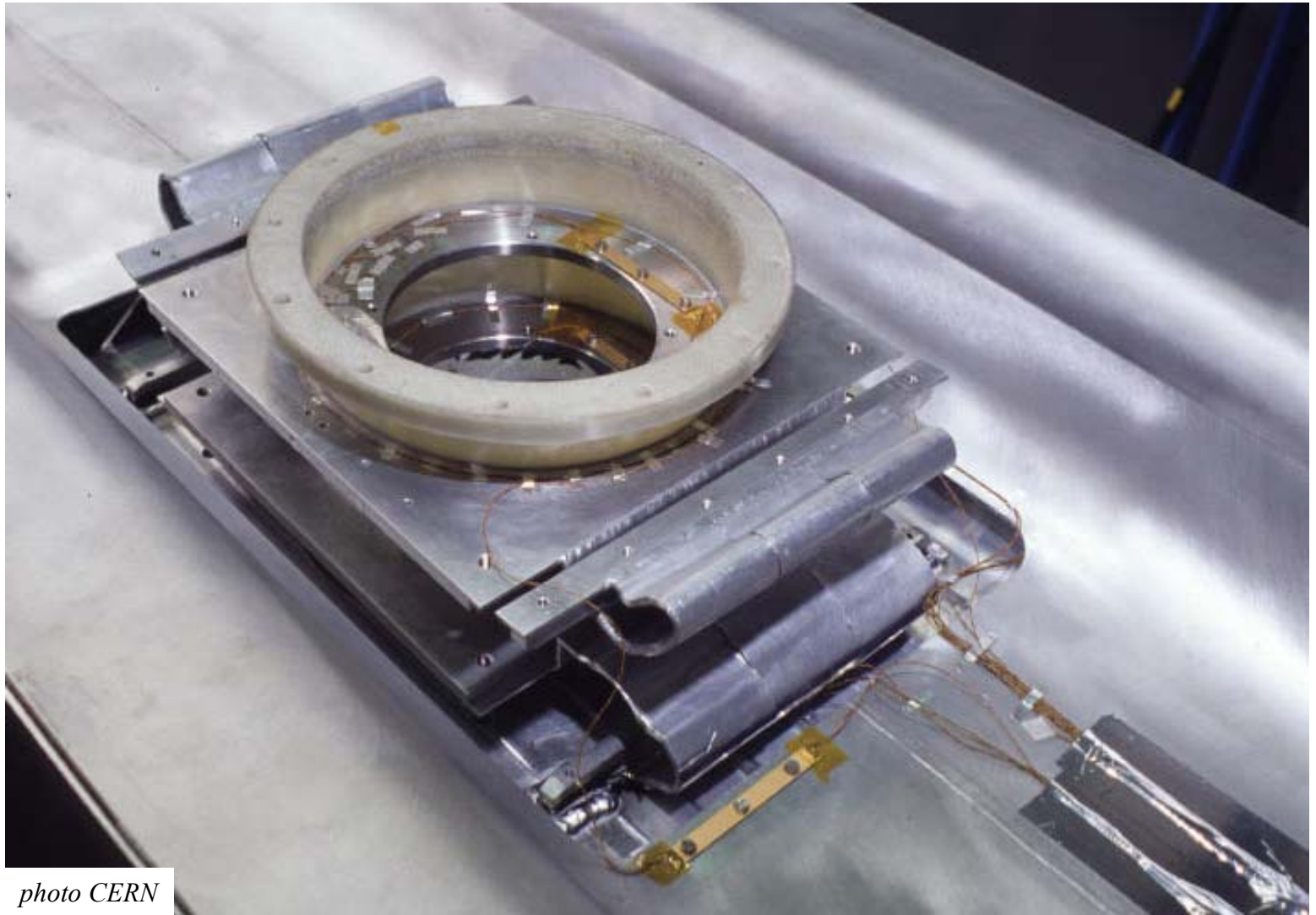
# *Dipole inside its stainless shell*



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# Cryogenic supports

'feet'  
used to  
support  
the cold  
mass  
inside  
its  
cryostat  
(LHC  
dipole)



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# Complete magnet in cryostat



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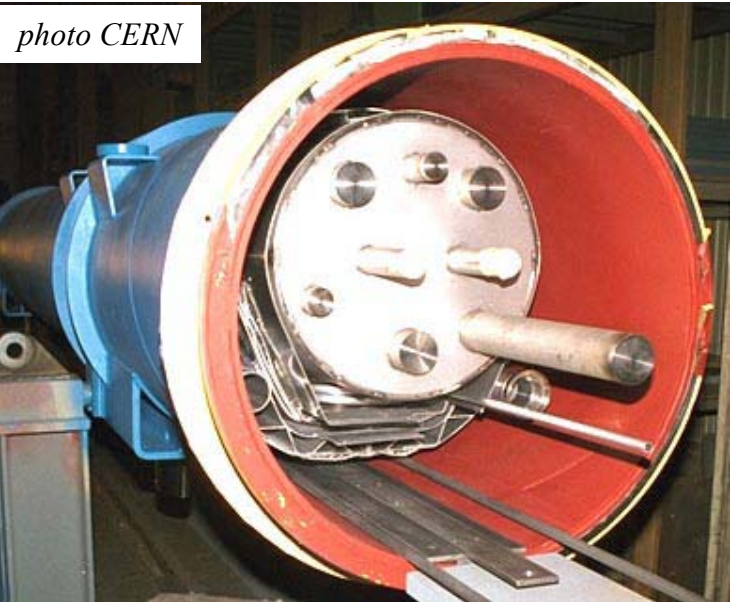


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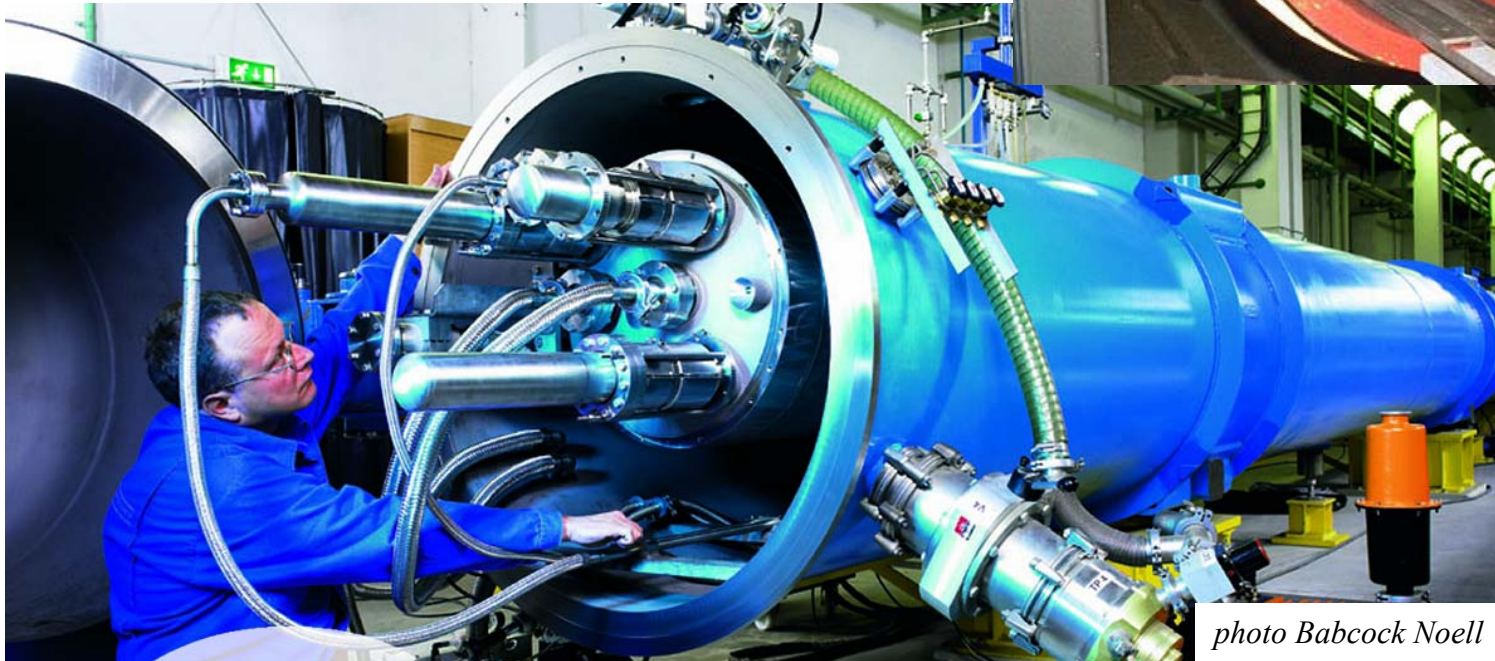
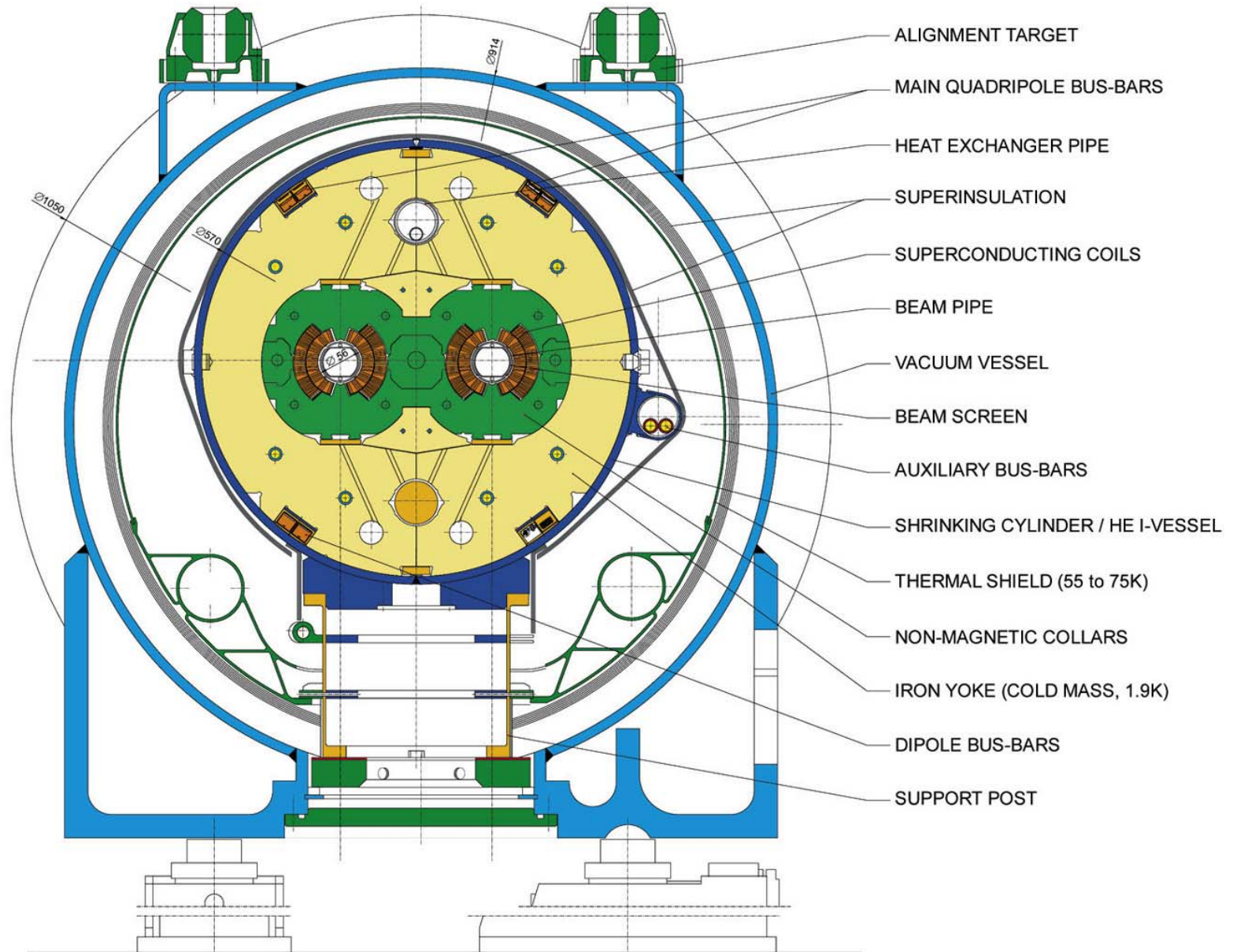


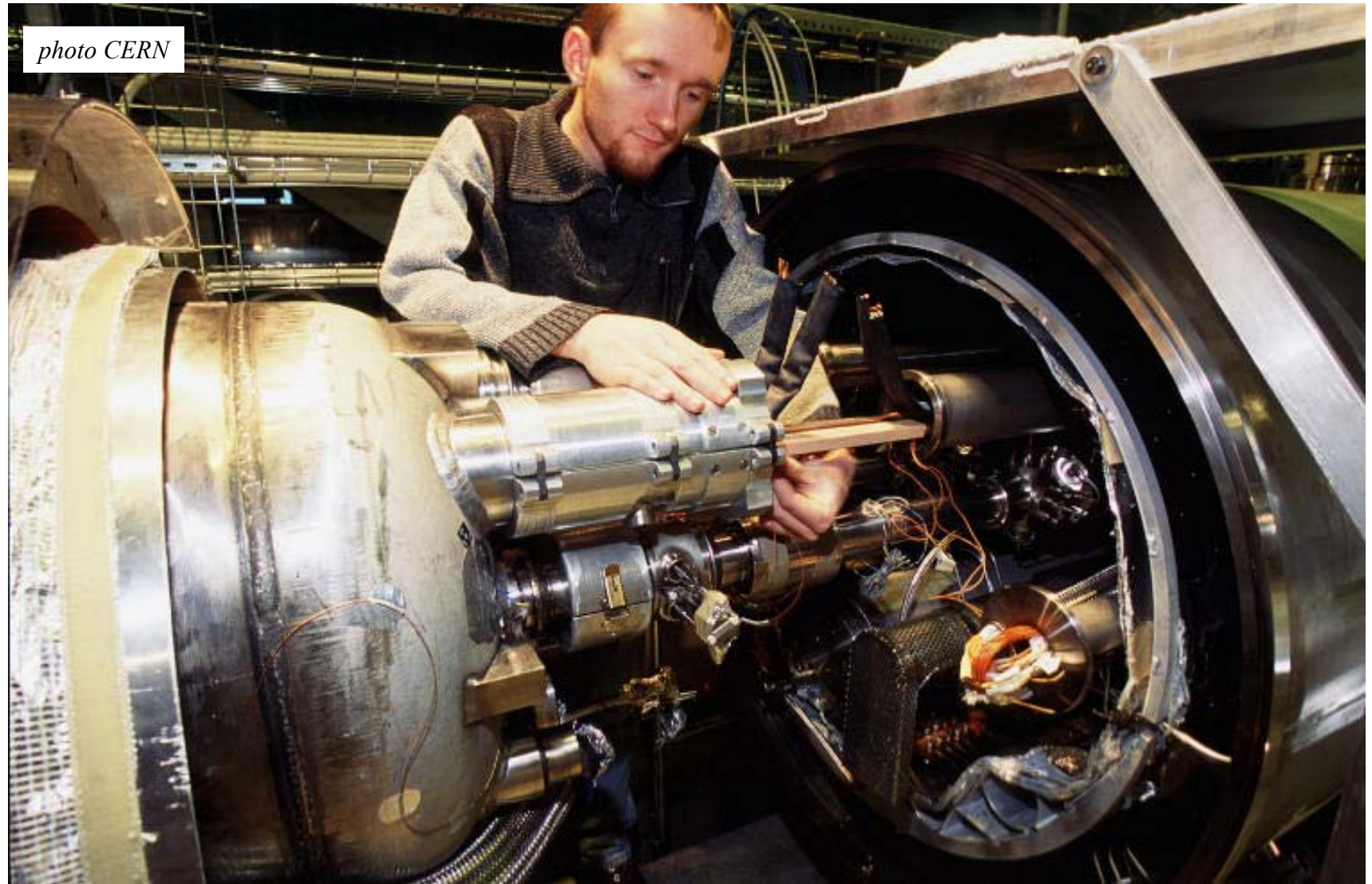
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# LHC DIPOLE : STANDARD CROSS-SECTION

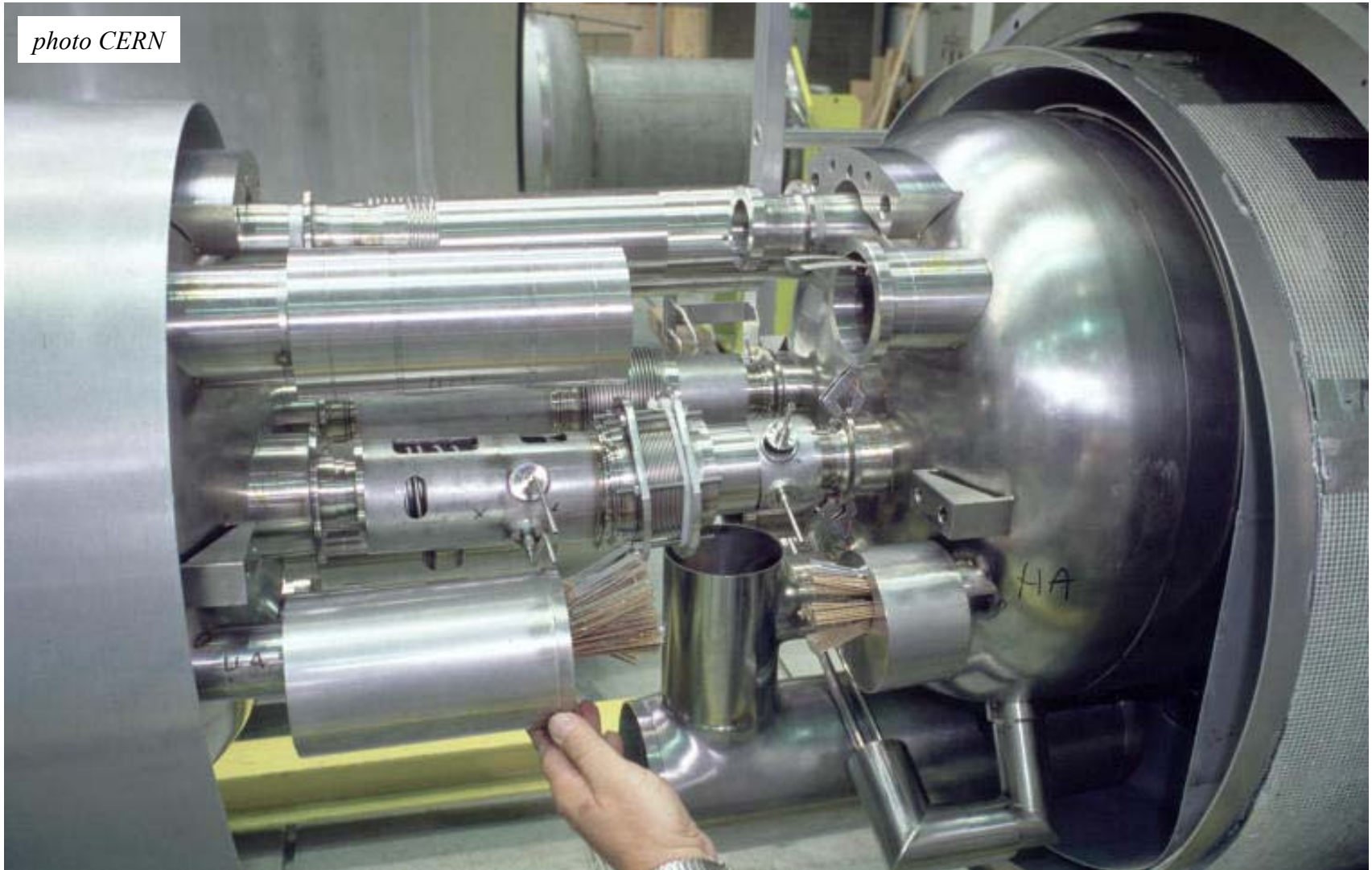
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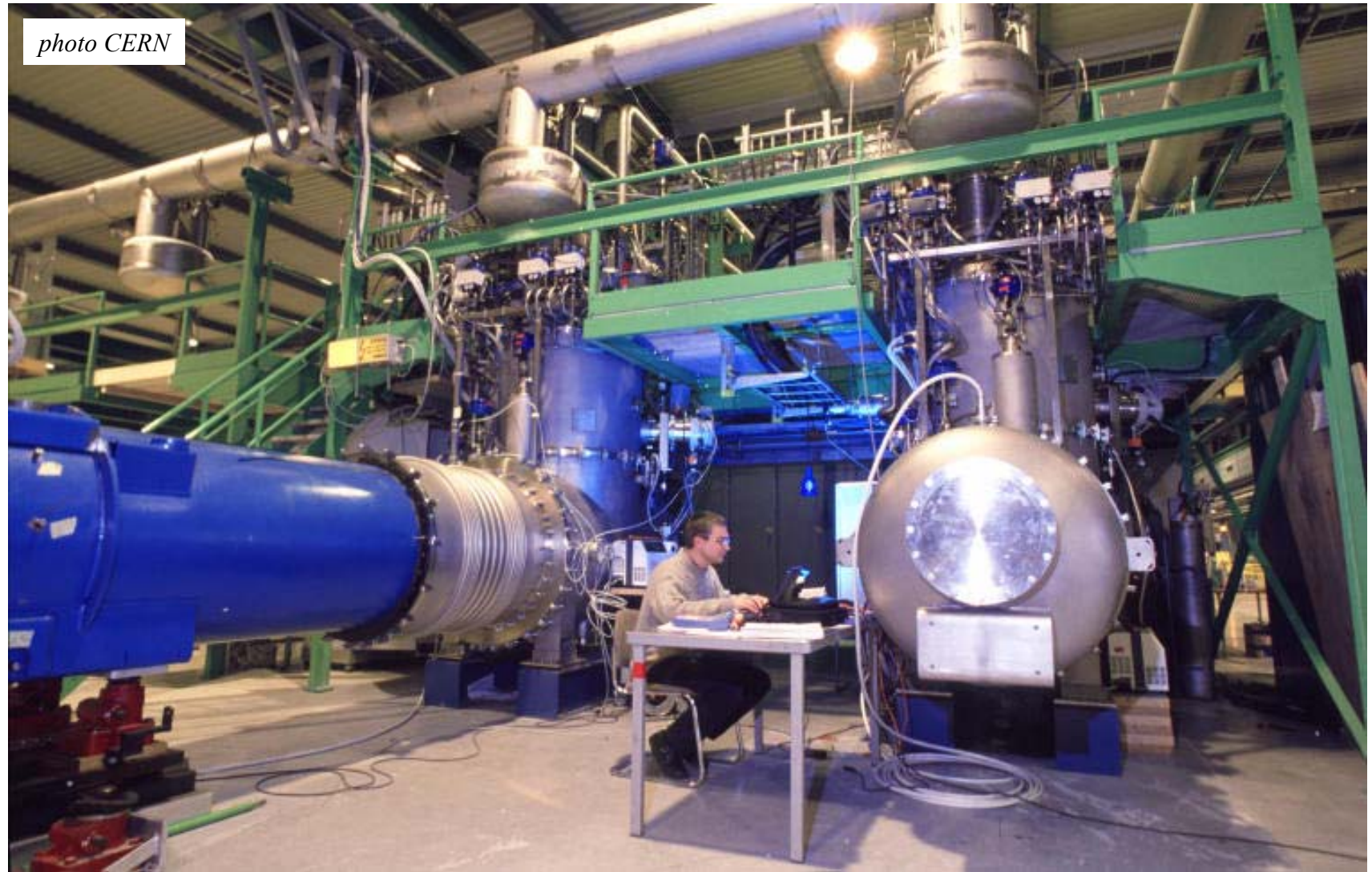
# *Make the interconnections - electrical*



# *Make interconnections - cryogenic*



# *Connect to the cryogenic feed and current leads*



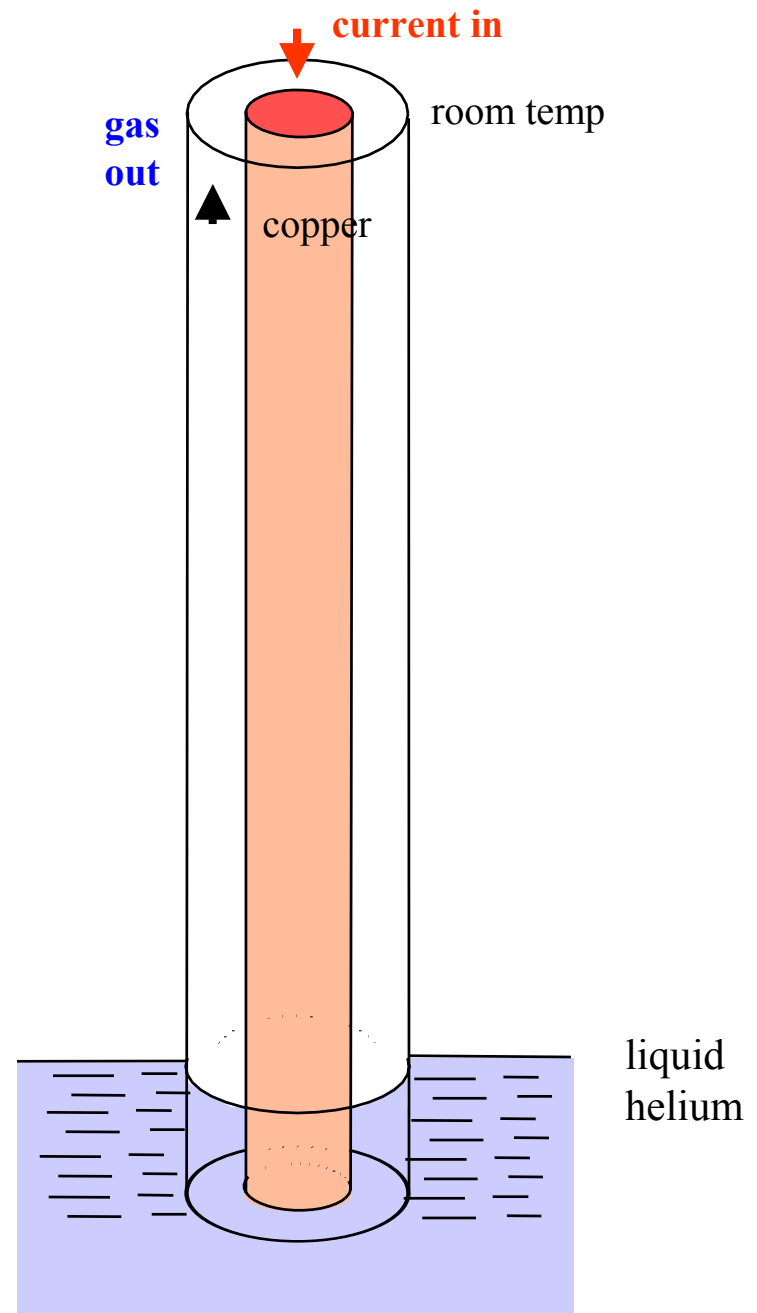


# Current Leads

- we want to have low heat inleak, ie low ohmic heating and low heat conduction from room temperature. This implies low  $k$  and  $\rho$ 
  - but Wiedemann Franz

$$k(\theta)\rho(\theta) = L_o\theta$$

- so the only variable we have left is the shape
- Recap helium properties
  - ratio  $\Delta$ enthalpy/latent heat = 72
- so it would seem a good idea to use the enthalpy of the cold gas which is boiled off to reduce the heat leak to the liquid
- we make the lead as a heat exchanger



# Current lead theory

equation of heat conduction

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left( k(\theta) A \frac{d\theta}{dx} \right) - f \dot{m} C_p \frac{d\theta}{dx} + \frac{I^2 \rho(\theta)}{A} = 0$$

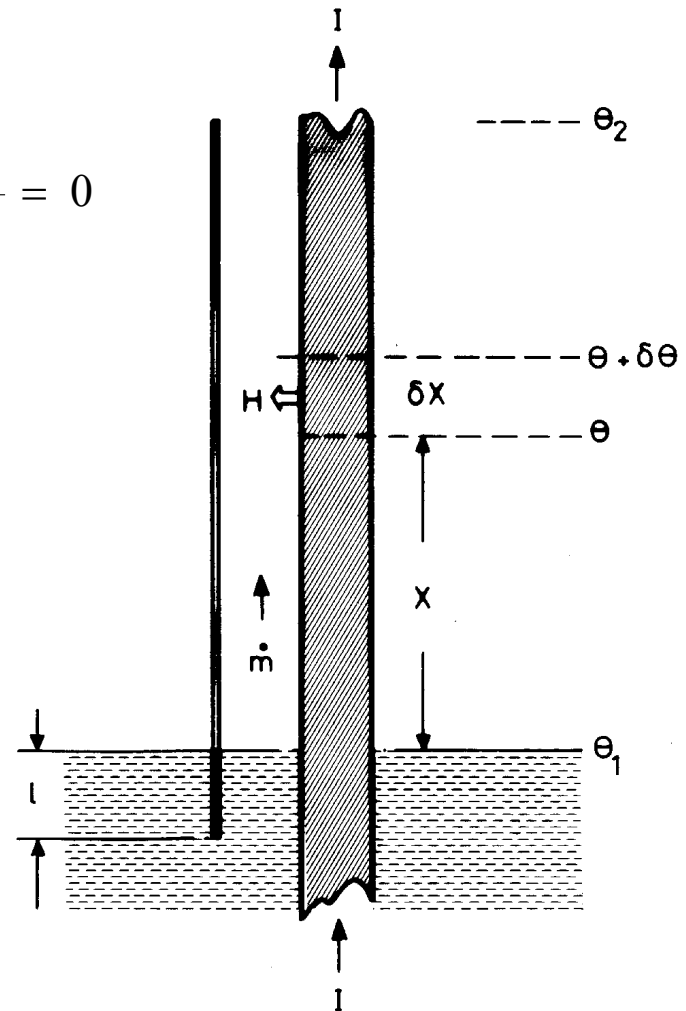
where:

$f$  = efficiency of heat transfer to helium gas

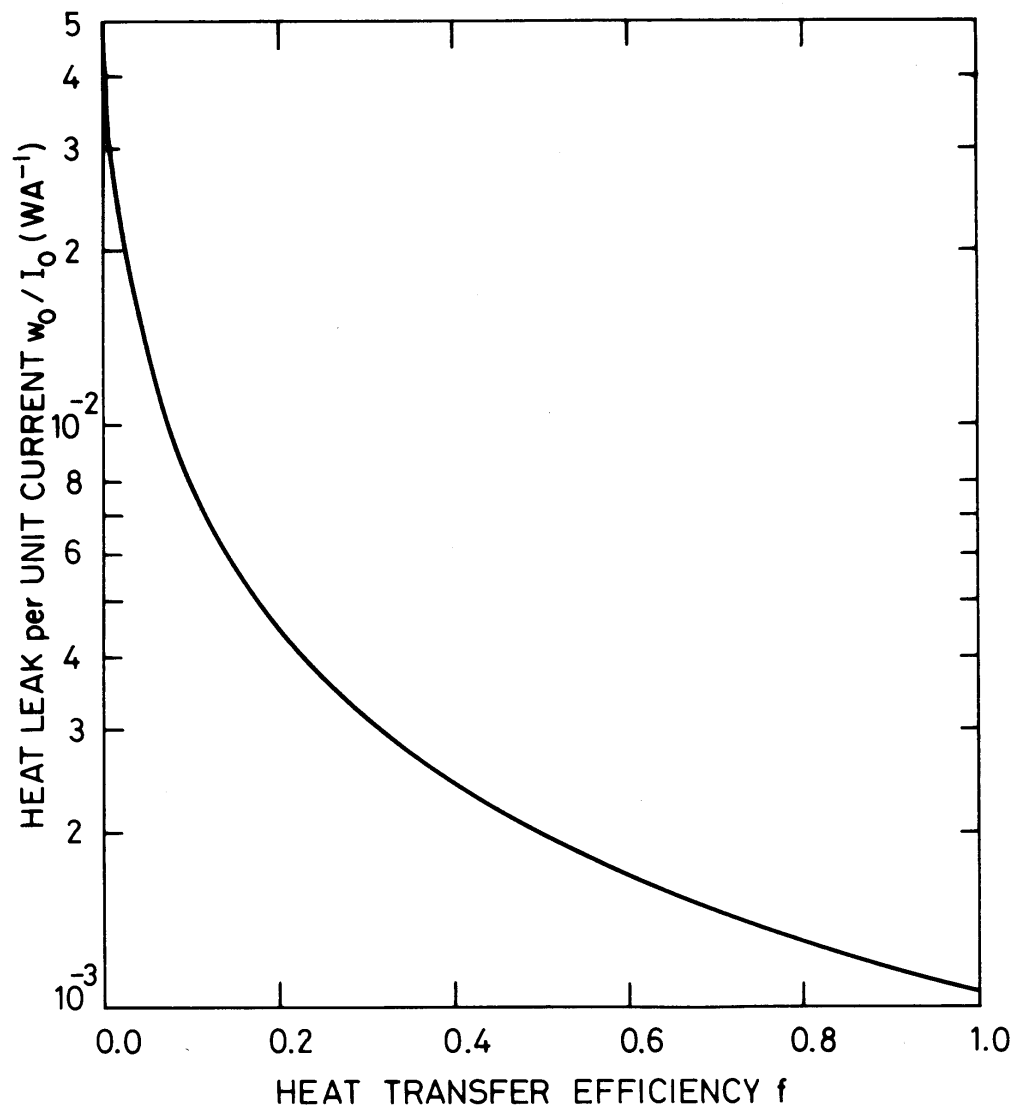
$\dot{m}$  = helium mass flow

$C_p$  = specific heat of gas

- solution to this equation in 'Superconducting Magnets p 257.
- we find there is an optimum shape for the lead which gives the minimum heat leak - 'Watts per Amp per lead'
- at optimum shape the heat leak is a strong function of the efficiency of heat transfer  $f$  to the boiled off gas



# Heat leak of an optimised lead



- with optimum shape and 100% efficient heat transfer the heat leak is

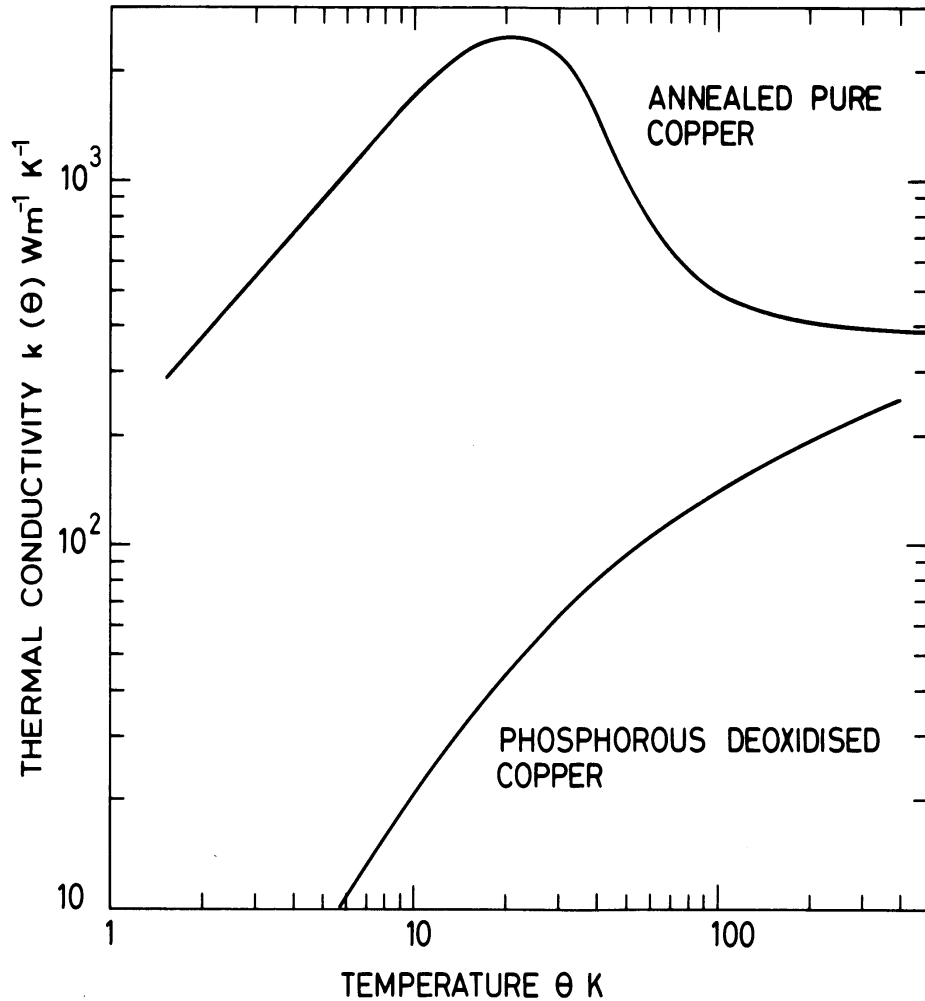
**1.04 mW/Amp**

- with optimum shape and no heat transfer the heat leak is

**47 mW/Amp**

- Note the optimum shape varies with the heat transfer efficiency

# Optimum shape of lead



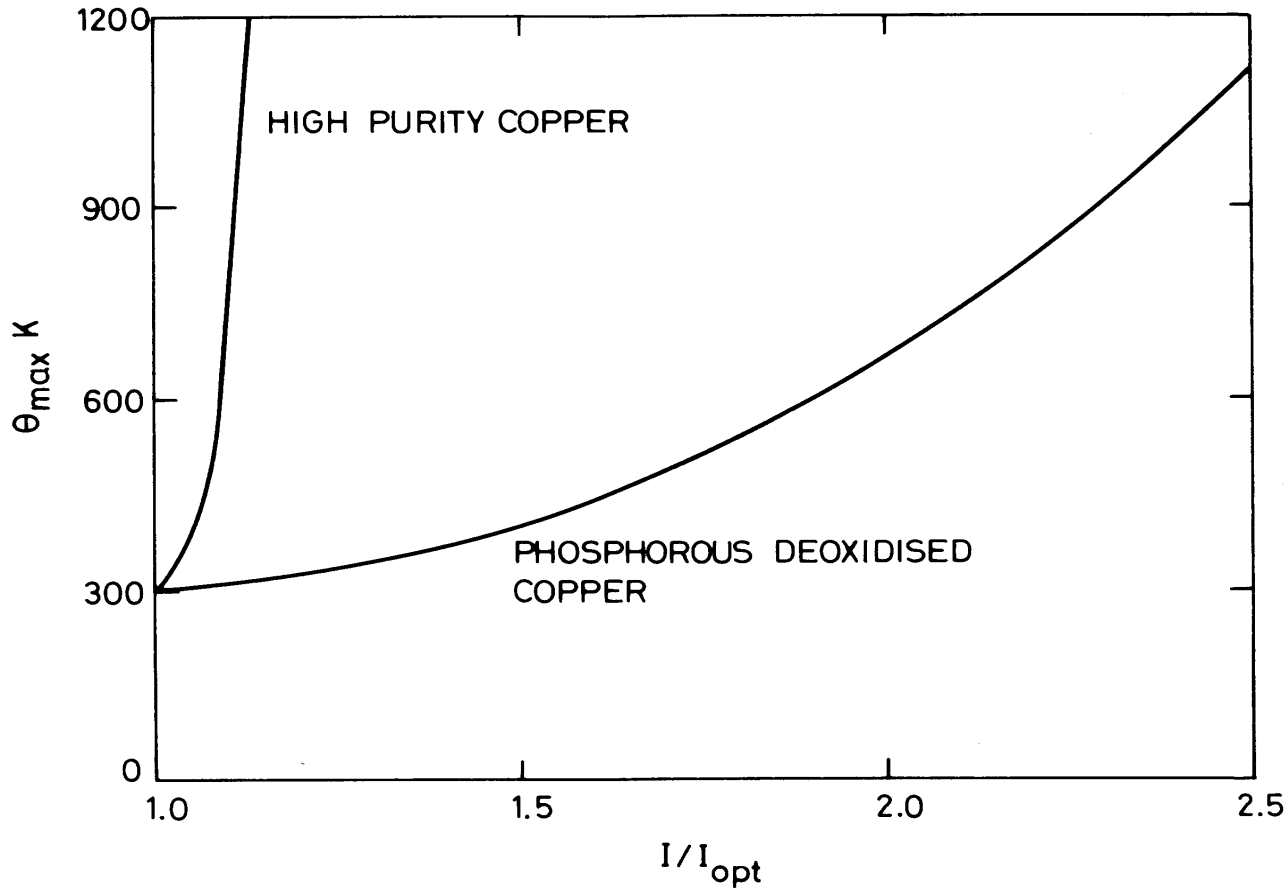
- the optimum shape is a function of temperature and material properties, particularly thermal conductivity.
- for a lead running between 300K and 4.2K the optimum shape is as follows
  - for a lead of annealed high purity copper

$$\left\{ \frac{L}{A} \right\}_{optimum} = \frac{2.6 \times 10^7}{I}$$

- for a lead of impure phosphorous deoxidised copper

$$\left\{ \frac{L}{A} \right\}_{optimum} = \frac{3.5 \times 10^6}{I}$$

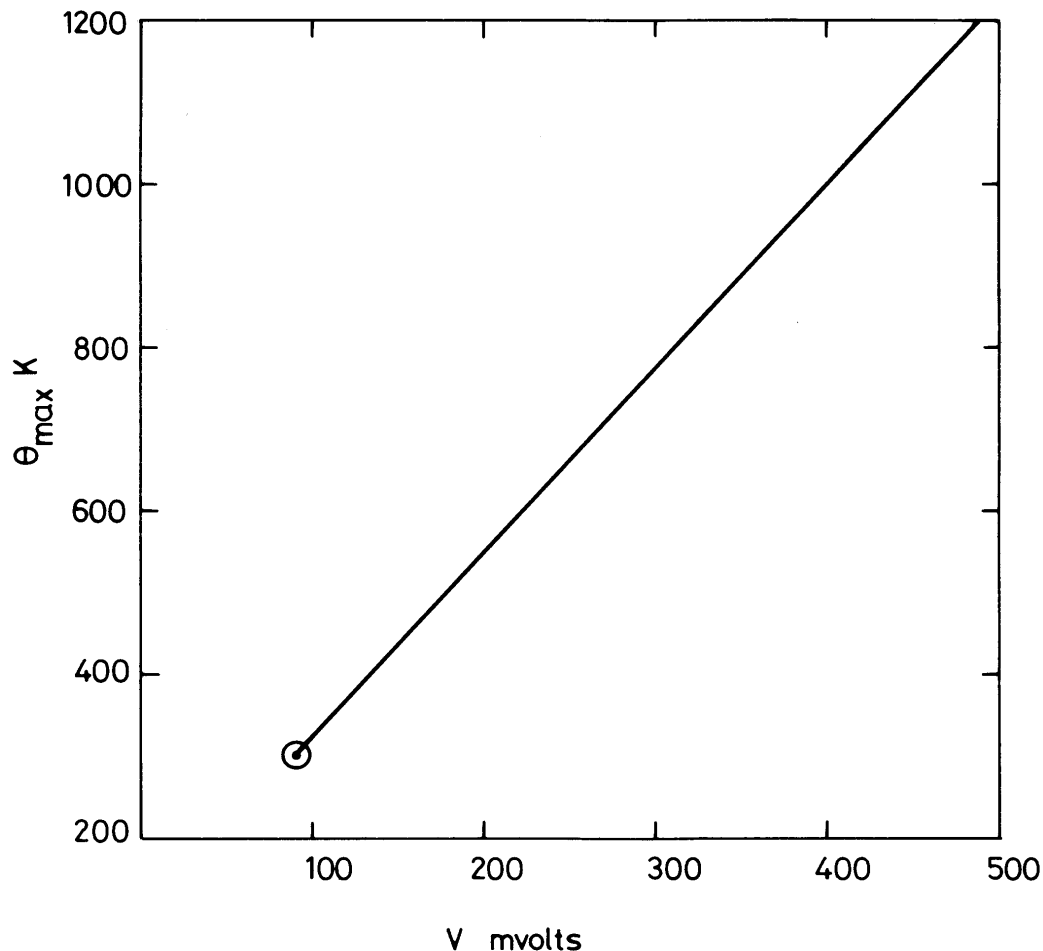
# Impure materials make more stable leads



- for an optimized lead, the maximum temperature is room temperature (at the top of the lead)
- when the lead is not optimized, the temperature of an intermediate region rises above room temperature
- the optimum for pure metals is more sensitive than for impure metals

*current lead burns out  $\Rightarrow$  magnet open circuit  
 $\Rightarrow$  large voltages  
 $\Rightarrow$  disaster*

# Health monitoring



- it turns out that all leads between the same temperatures and with the same cooling efficiency drop the same voltage at optimum
- for a lead between 300K and 4.2K with with 100% cooling efficiency, the voltage drop at optimum is **75mV**
- measure the volts across your lead to see if it is optimised
- if a lead burns out, the resulting high voltage and arcing (magnet inductance) can be disastrous
- monitor your lead and trip the power supply if it goes too high

# HTS (high temperature superconductor) current leads



- HTS materials have a low thermal conductivity
- thus we can make the lower section, below  $\sim 70\text{K}$  of the current lead from HTS material
- heat leak down the lead is the same but it may be taken at a higher temperature, which uses less refrigeration
- LHC will use HTS leads for all main ring magnets
- savings on capital cost of the refrigerator will pay for the extra cost of the leads and reduced running cost will be a benefit thereafter

$\Leftarrow 13\text{kA}$  lead for LHC

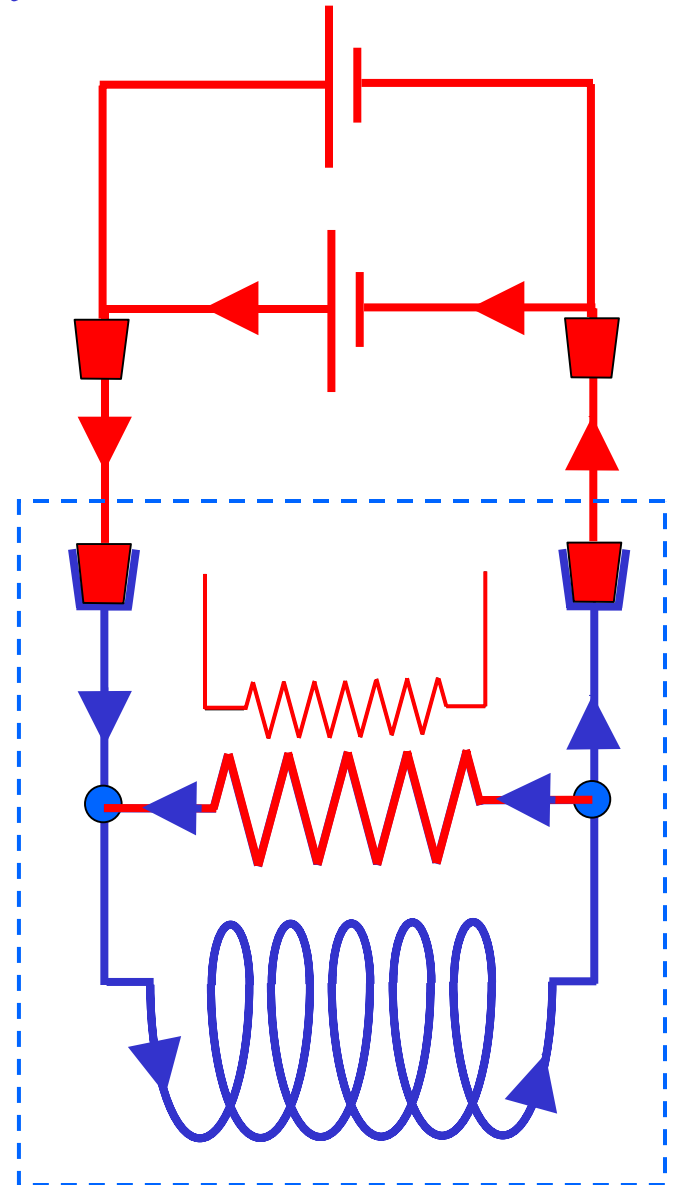
$600\text{A}$  lead for LHC  $\Rightarrow$



# Persistent current operation

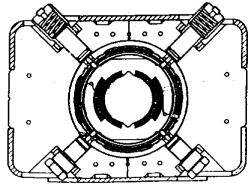
- 1) Heater energized, persistent switch resistive, magnet charged up to operating current by power supply at room temperature
- 2) Heater switched off, persistent switch cools down and becomes superconducting
- 3) Power supply current reduced to zero, magnet current diverts to persistent switch
- 4) Power supply and current leads may be removed, magnet current continues to circulate in a closed loop (almost) for ever. Small resistances in the joints and superconductor give decay rates of  $\sim 10^8$  hours  $\sim 10,000$  years

No use for accelerators of course  
because they need repetitive ramping

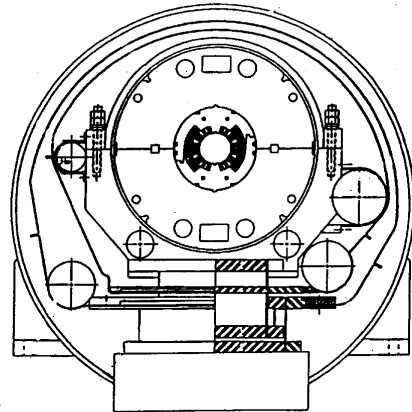




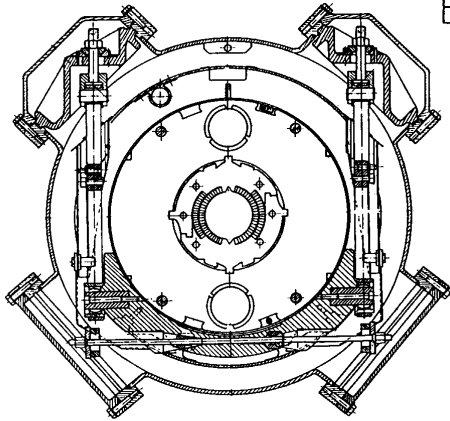
# The world's superconducting accelerator dipoles



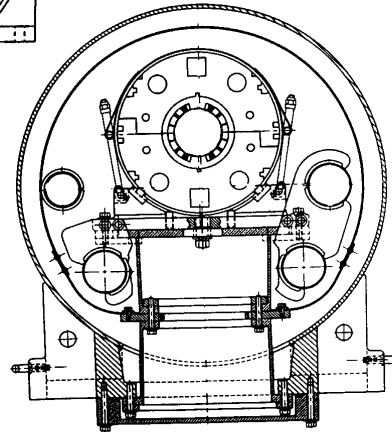
Tevatron



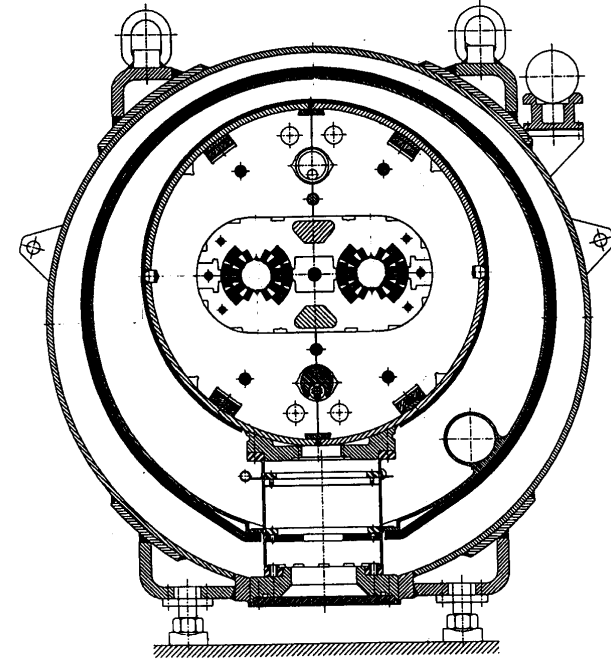
SSC



HERA



RHIC

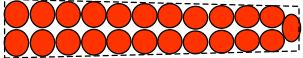
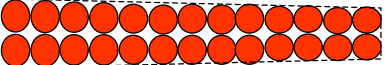
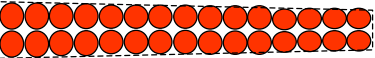
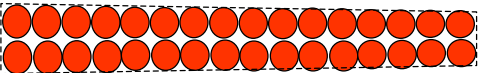
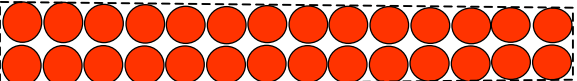
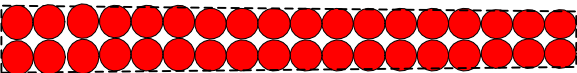

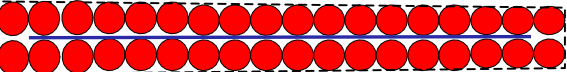


LHC

# Key parameters of accelerator dipoles

		Tevatron	HERA	SSC	RHIC	LHC	Helios	FAIR
max energy	GeV	950	820	20,000 x 2	250 x 2	7,000 x 2	0.7	300 T.m
max field	T	4.2	4.68	6.79	3.46	8.36	4.5	6.0
max current	kA	4.2	5.03	6.5	5.09	11.5	1.04	6.62
injection field	T	0.66	0.23	0.68	0.4	0.58	0.64	1.6
ramp rate	T/s	0.22	0.009	0.004	0.04	0.066	0.021	1.0
aperture	mm	76	75	50	80	56	58	100
length	m	6.1	8.8	15.2	9.4	14.2	1.6	2.91
operating temperature	K	4.6	4.5	4.35	4.6	1.9	4.5	4.5
number off		774	422	3972	396	1232	2	108

# Superconducting cables of the world's accelerators

Ring	cable	filament dia $\mu\text{m}$	cable width mm	twist pitch mm	wire surface	ramp rate T/s
Tevatron		6	7.8	66	zebra	0.22
HERA		14-16	10	95	SnAg	0.009
RHIC		6	9.7	73	copper	0.04
SSC		6	12.3	79	copper	0.004
LHC		7	15	110	SnAg pre-ox	0.066
		6	15	100		
Helios		8.5	3.2	40	copper	0.021
FAIR		2.5 - 3.5	15	110	SnAg pre-ox with SS core	1.0

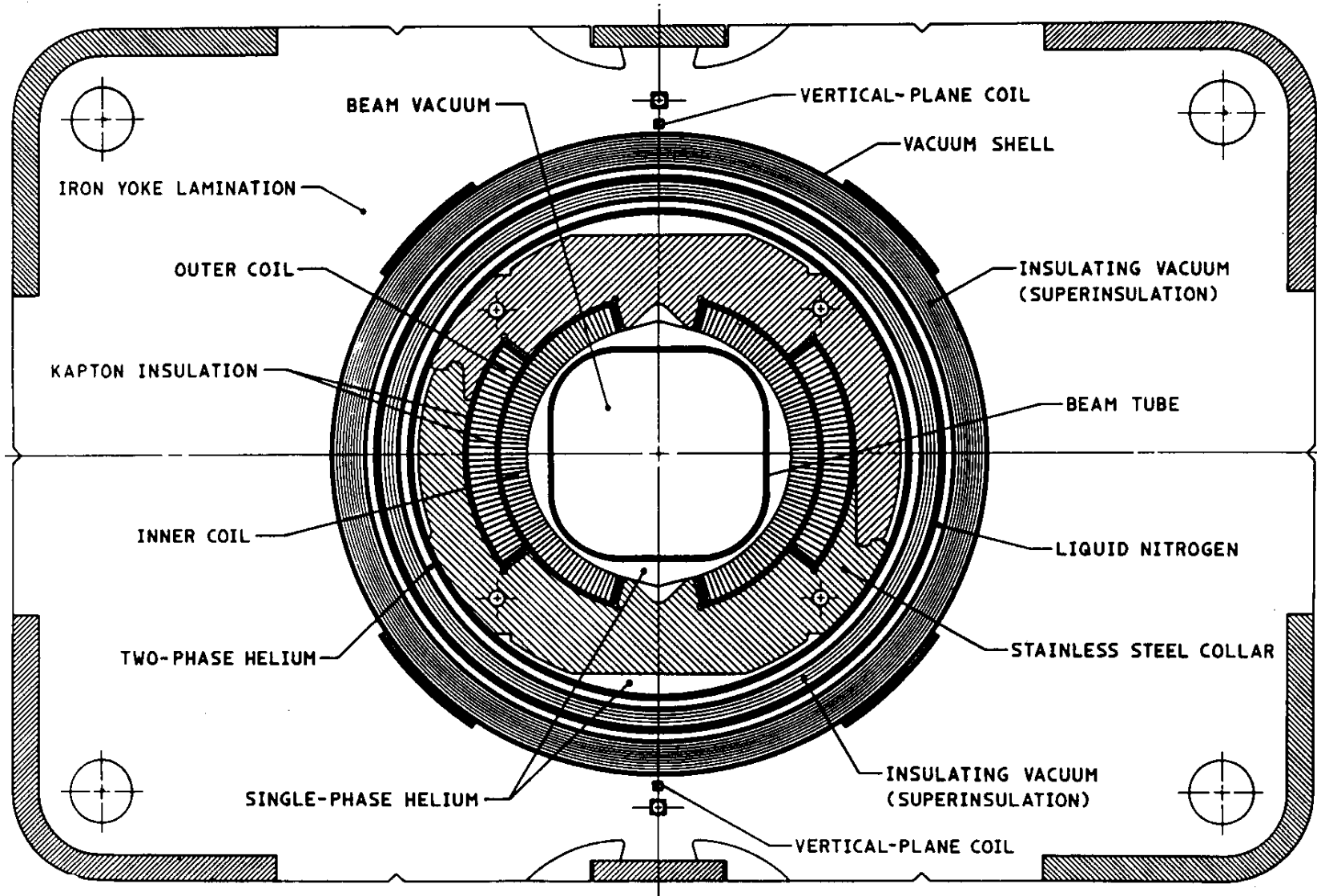
# *The Fermilab Tevatron*



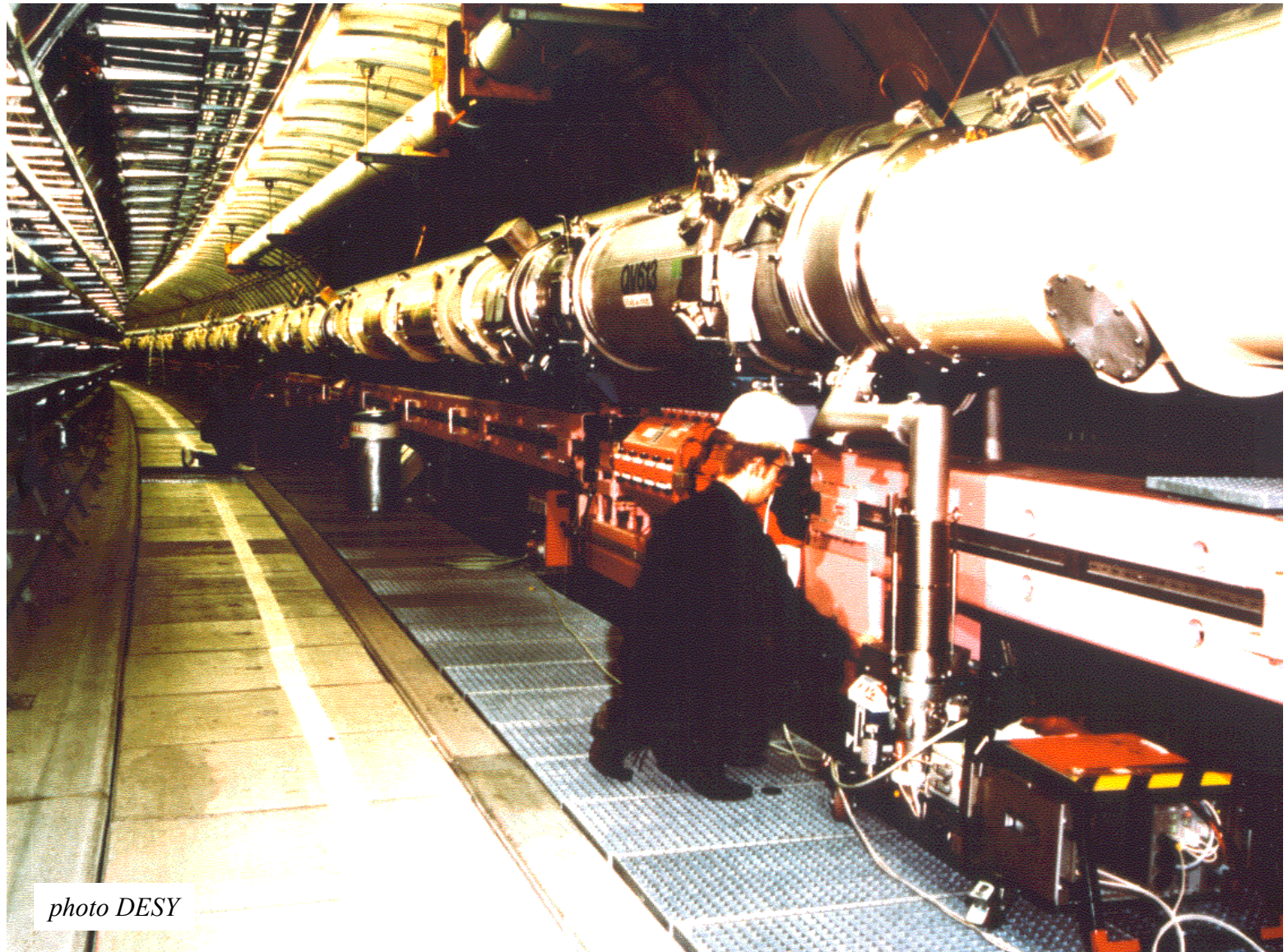
*the world's first  
superconducting  
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# Tevatron dipole

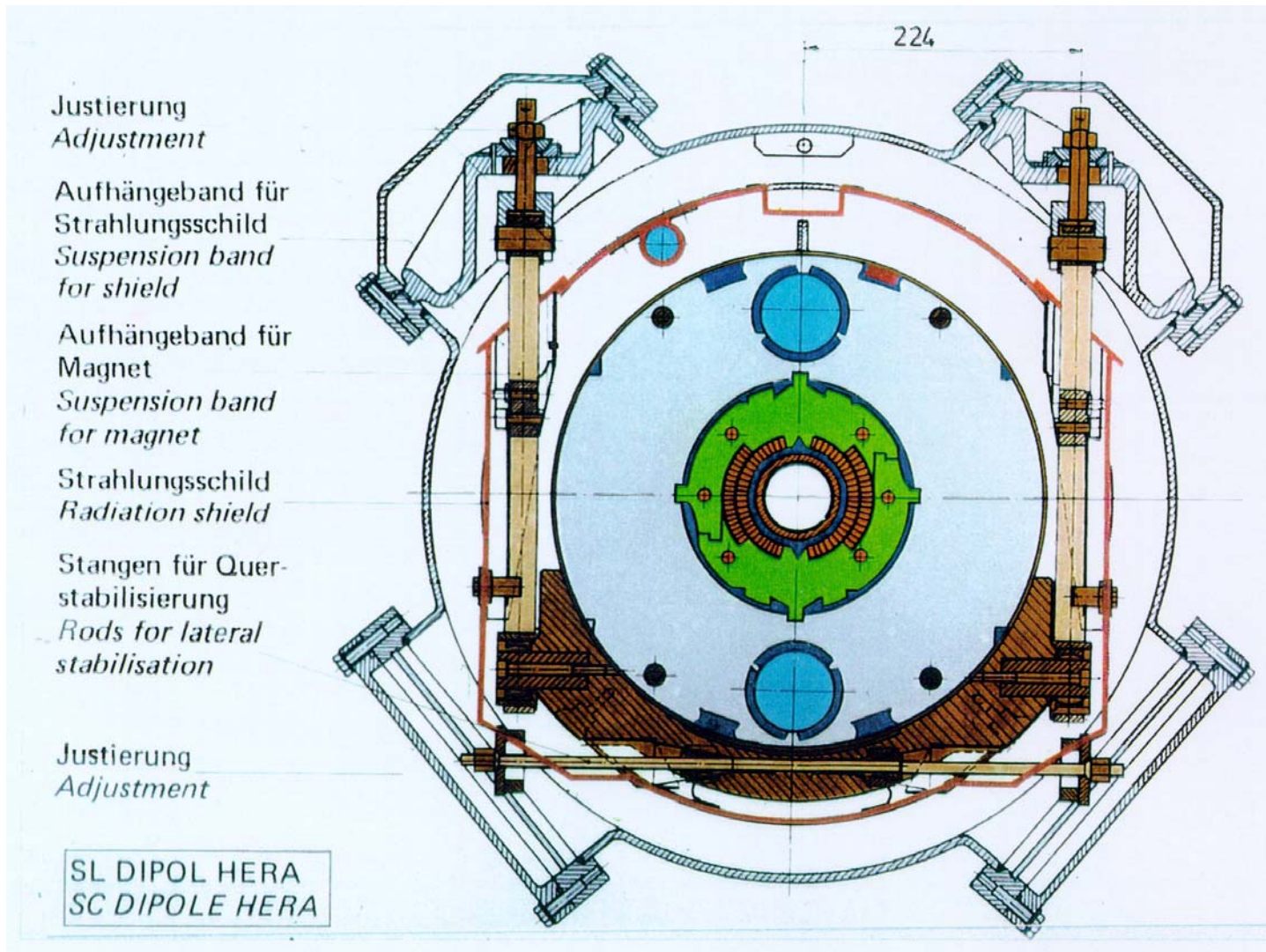


# Hera



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# Hera dipole



# RHIC

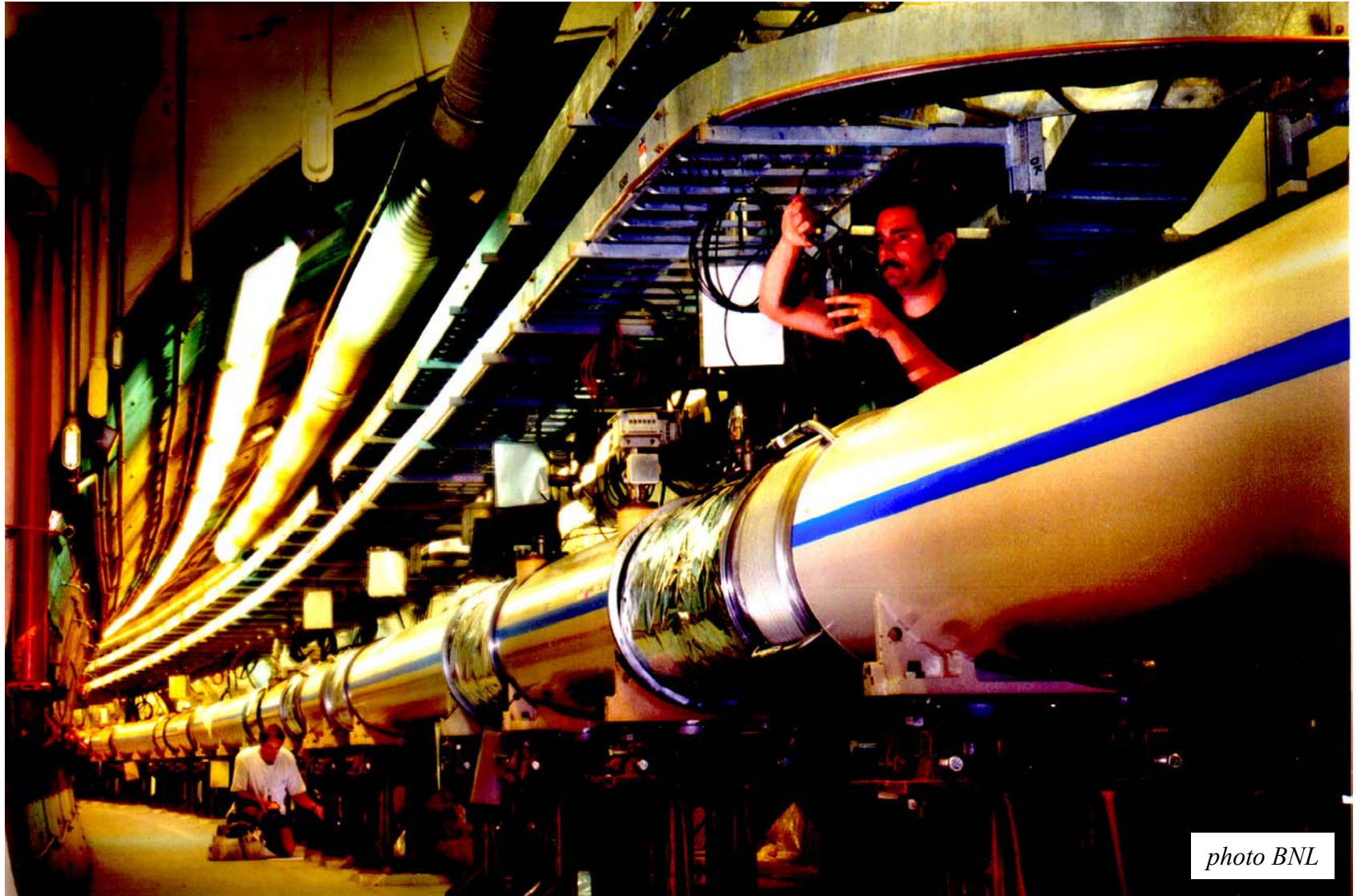
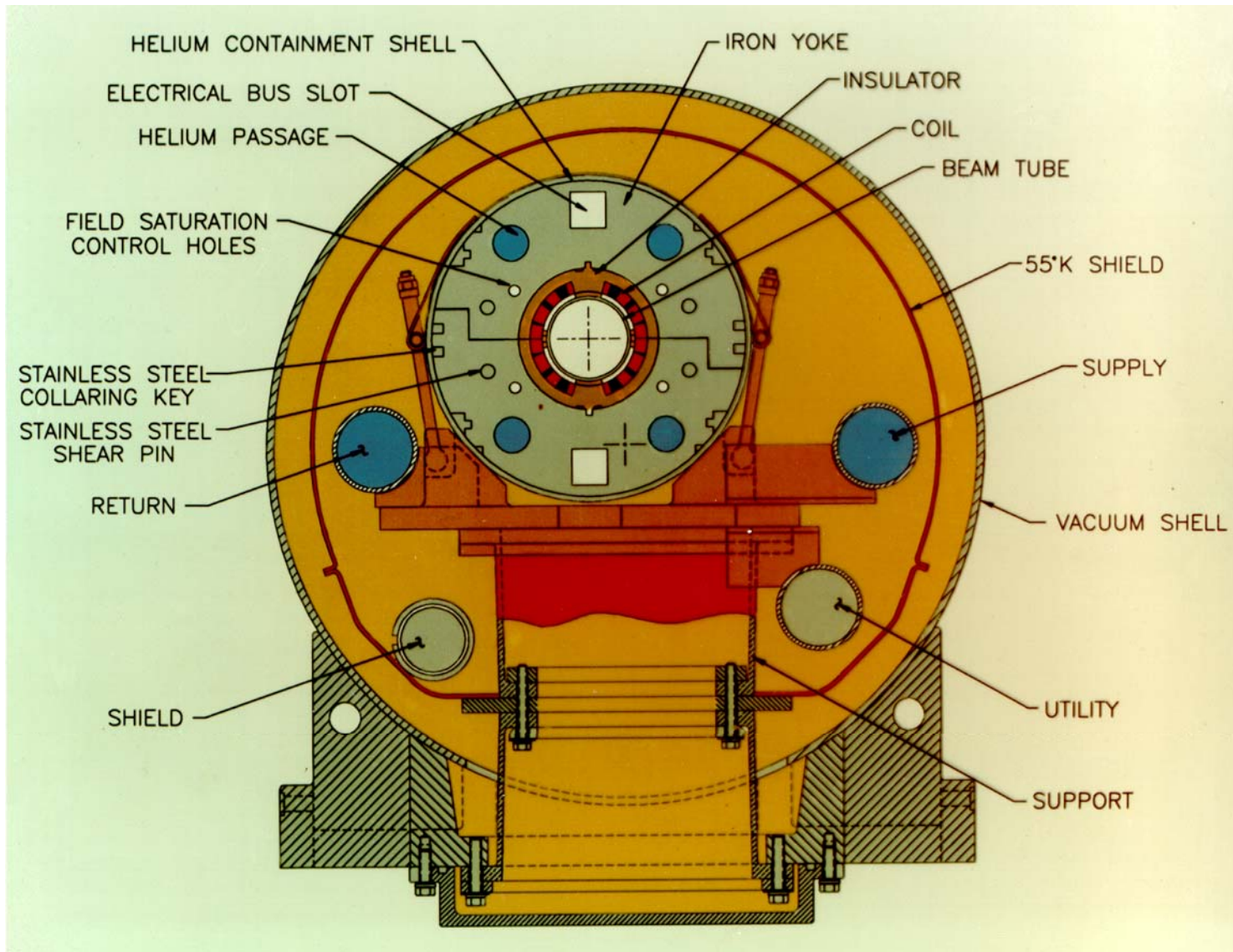


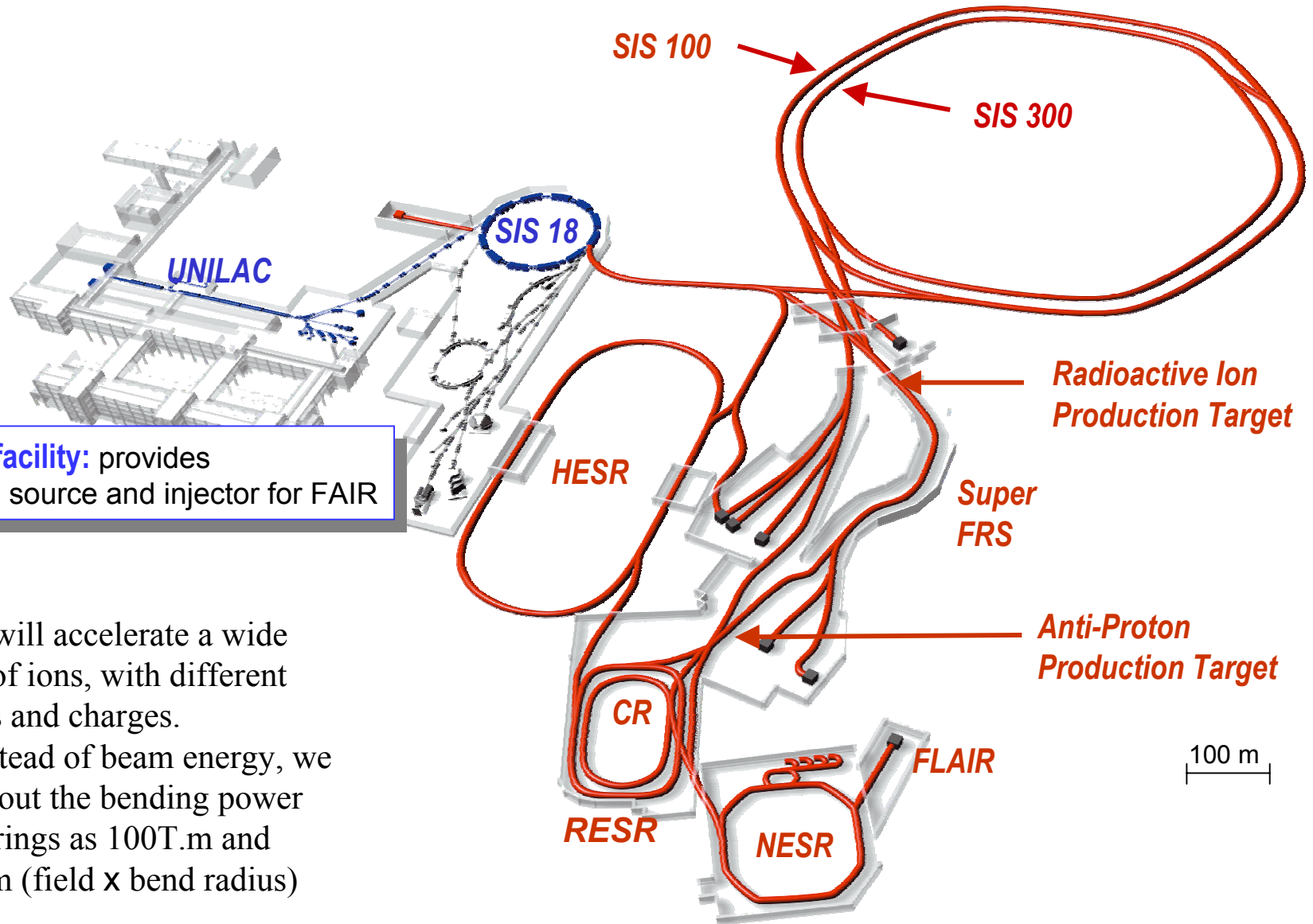
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# RHIC Dipole



# Facility for Antiproton and ion research FAIR

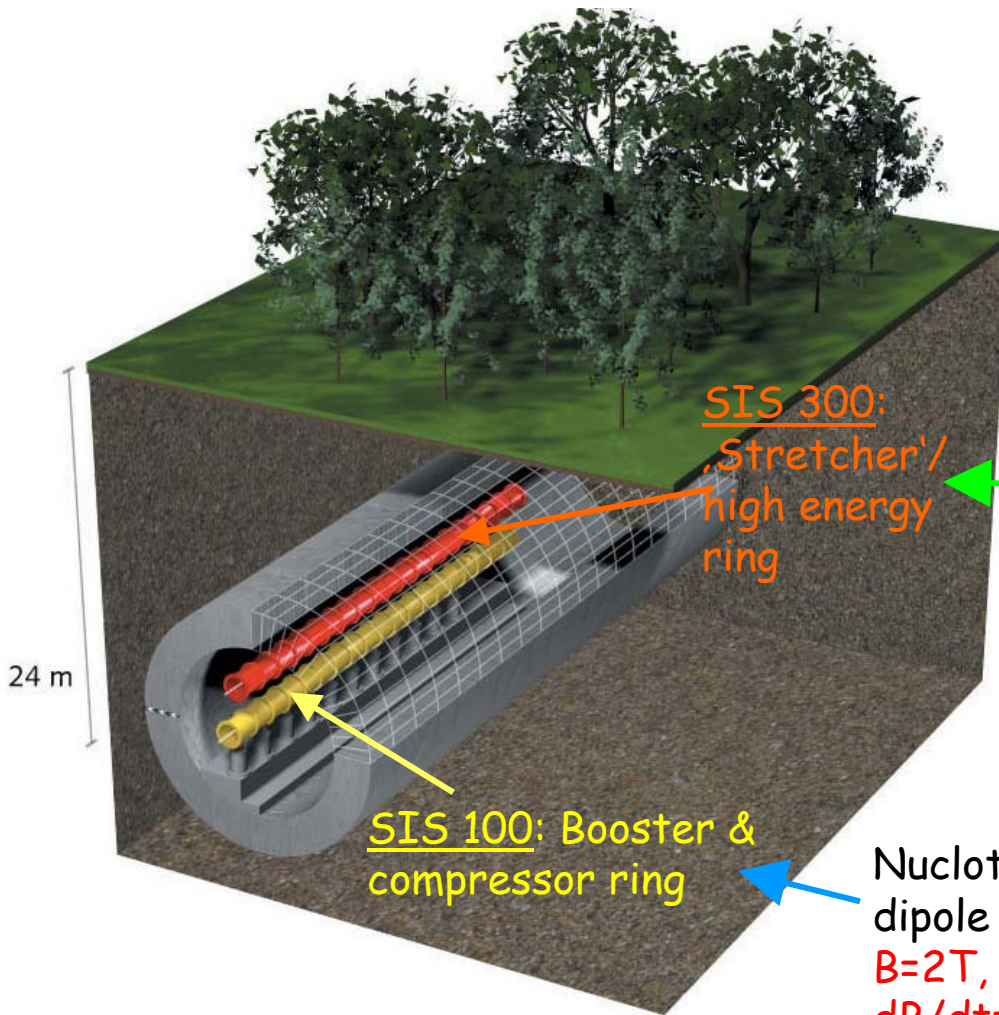


**Existing facility:** provides ion-beam source and injector for FAIR

FAIR will accelerate a wide range of ions, with different masses and charges.

So, instead of beam energy, we talk about the bending power of the rings as 100T.m and 300T.m (field x bend radius)

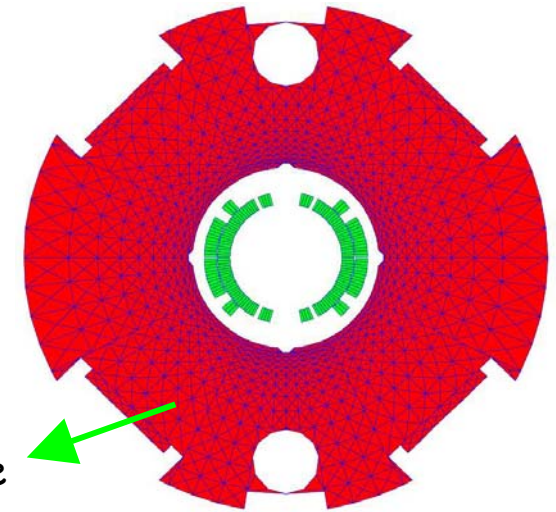
# *FAIR: two rings in one tunnel*



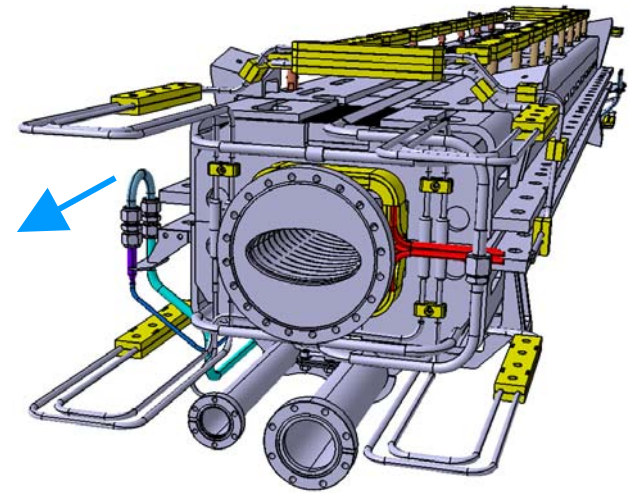
SIS 300:  
'Stretcher'/  
high energy  
ring

SIS 100: Booster &  
compressor ring

2x120 superconducting dipole magnets  
132+162 SC quadrupole magnets

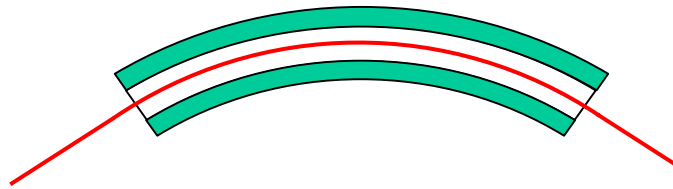
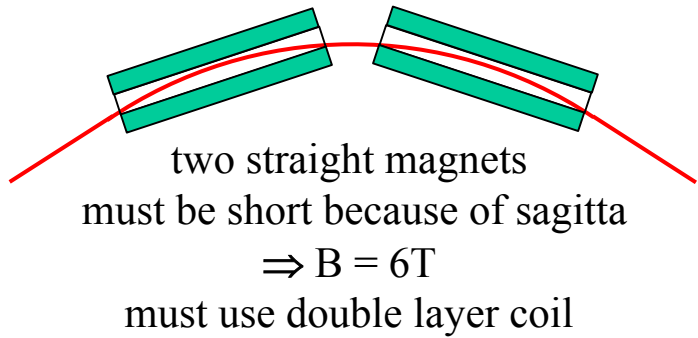
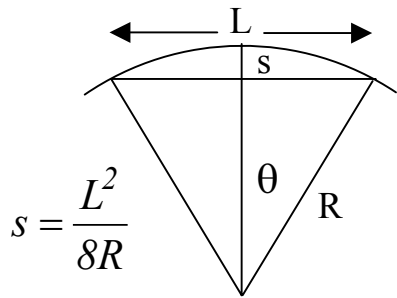


Modified  
UNK dipole  
6T at 1T/s

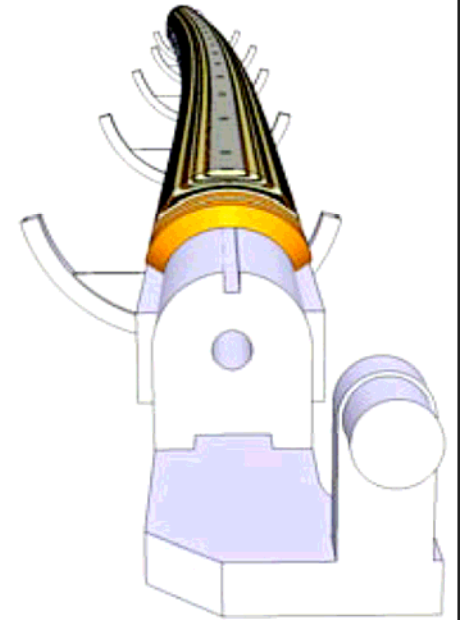
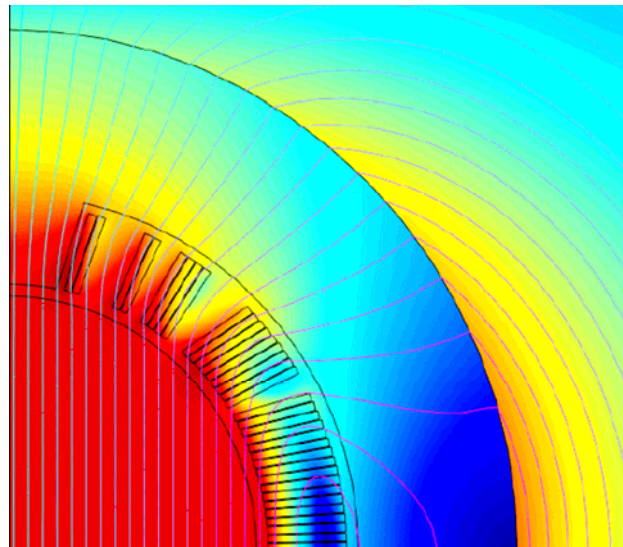
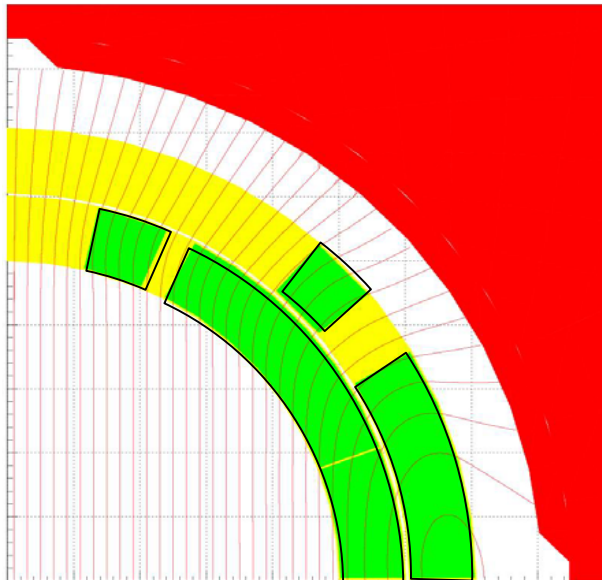
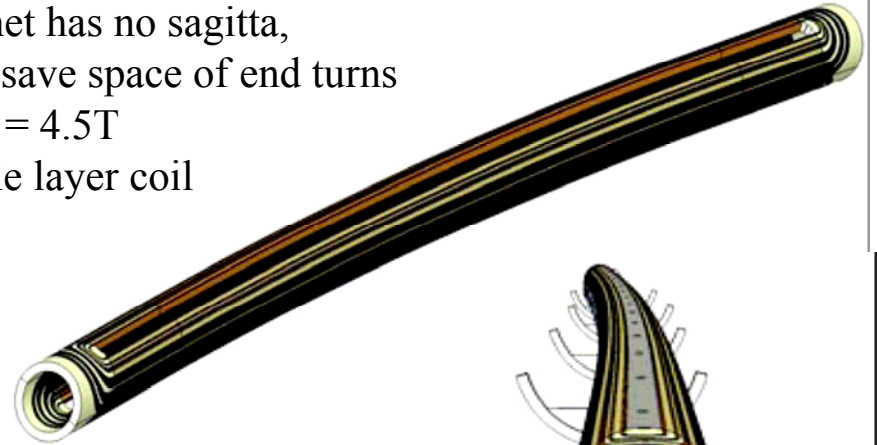


Nuclotron-type  
dipole magnet:  
 $B=2T$ ,  
 $dB/dt=4T/s$

# Problem of the sagitta in SIS300

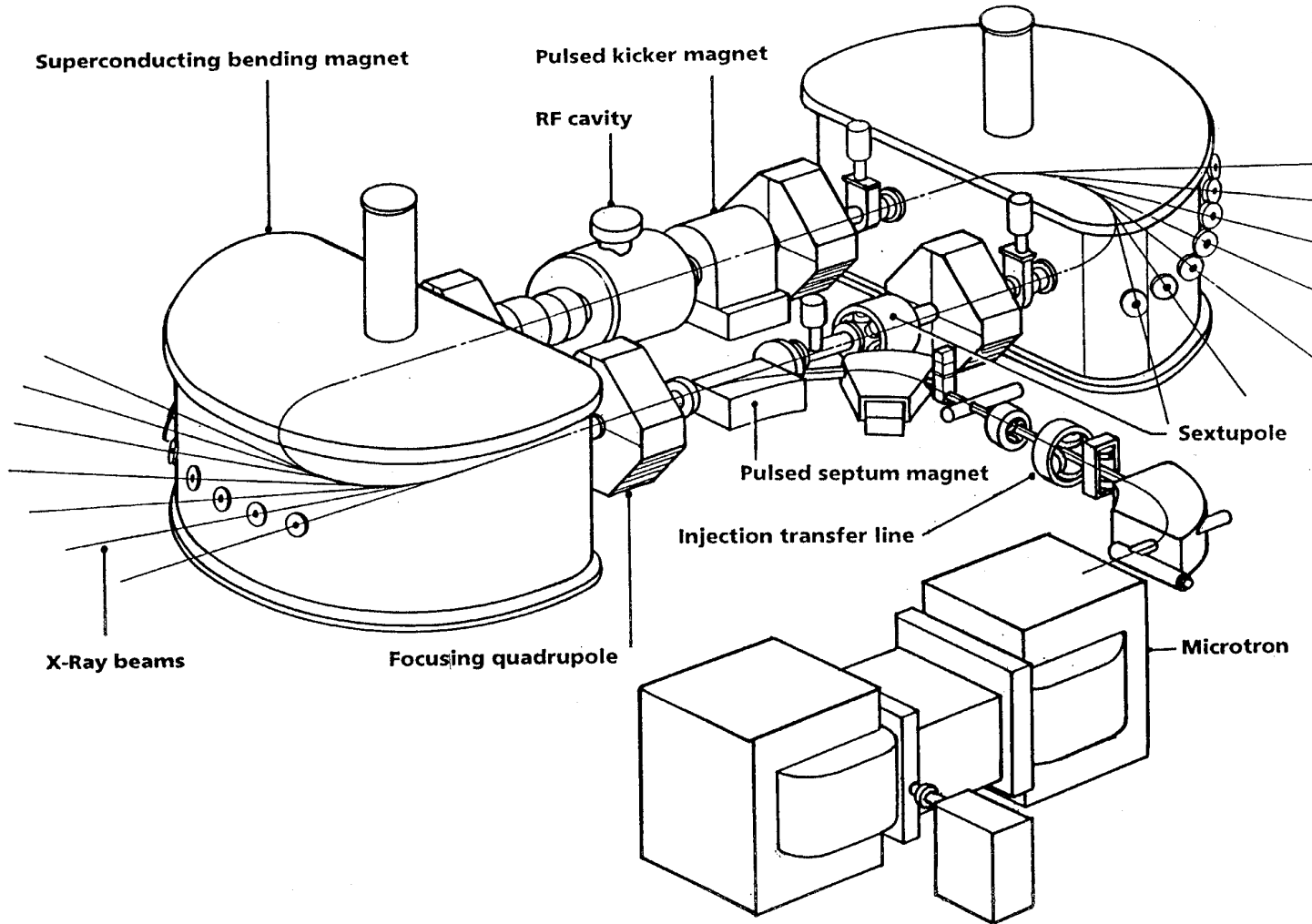


curved magnet has no sagitta,  
 can be long, save space of end turns  
 $\Rightarrow B = 4.5T$   
 can use single layer coil



just one problem  
 - how to make it!

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# Helios

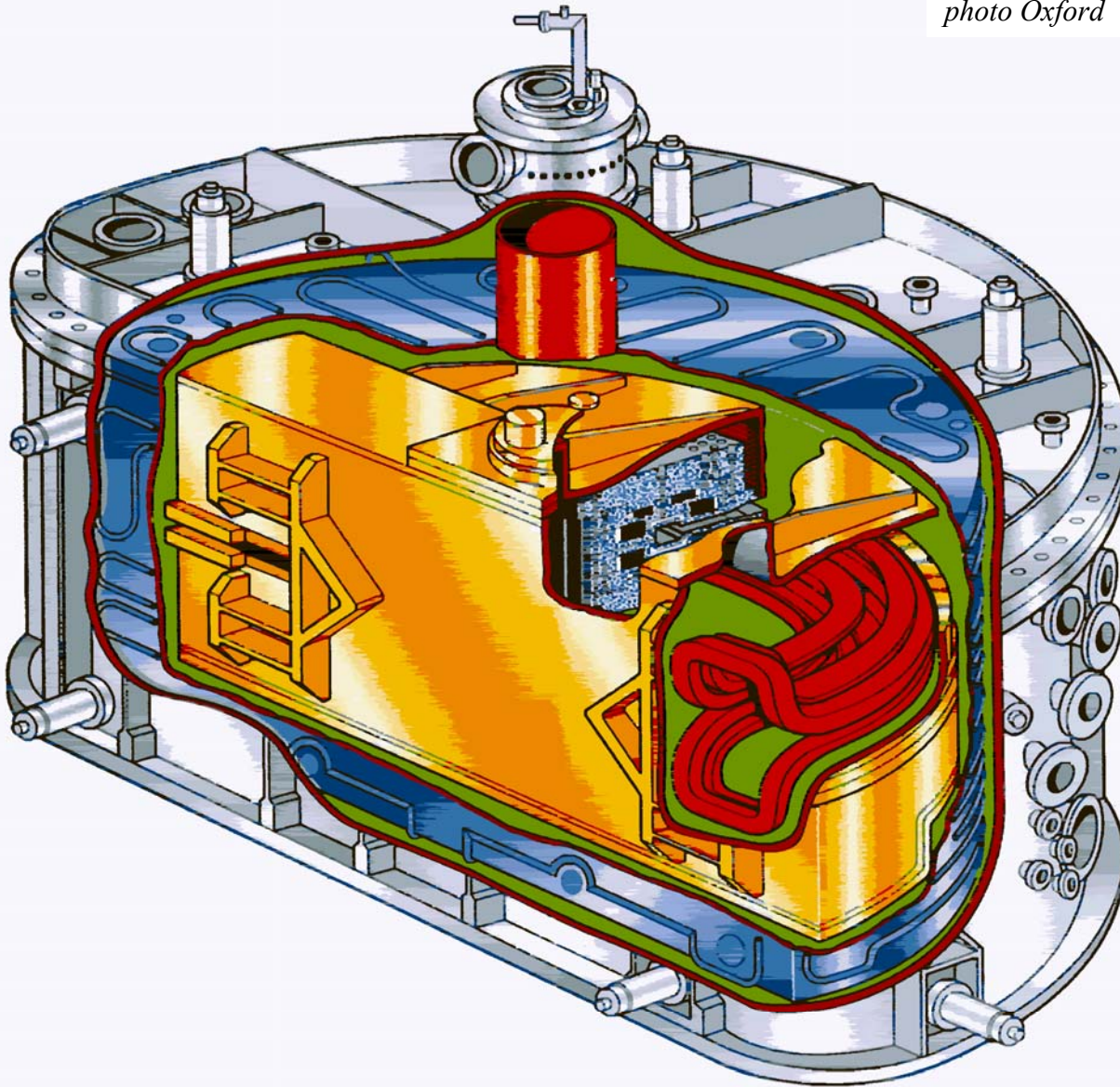


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superconductivity  
⇒  
compact size  
⇒  
transportability

# Helios dipole

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- bent around  $180^\circ$
- rectangular block coil section
- totally clear gap on outer mid plane for emerging X-rays (12 kW)

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## *Helios dipole assembly*

ultra clean conditions because UHV  
needed for beam lifetime



# *Hardware: concluding remarks*

- coils for accelerator magnets are made in accelerator labs and industry
- after winding, compact the finished winding to exact size and 'cure' it
- electrical insulation to ground plane is important during quench
- fit collars, compress to that stress needed for correct loading at 4K - then lock in place
- fit iron and outer shell, compress to size and weld
- install within operating cryostat
- current leads should be gas cooled and the optimum shape for minimum heat leak,
  - shape depends on the material used
  - impure material is less likely to burn out
  - use HTS to reduce heat leak at the bottom end
- in recent years the largest accelerators have all been superconducting

*what comes next is up to you!*

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