# Accelerators: The Technical challenges

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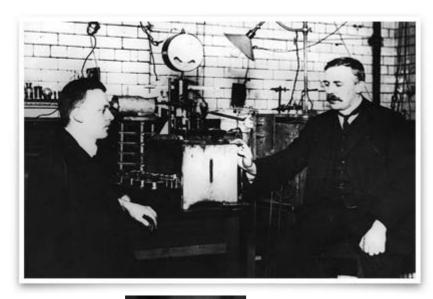
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Of > 30000 accelerators in the world, only ~ 3% are used for basic research.

# Ernest Rutherford discovers

the nucleus. (1911)

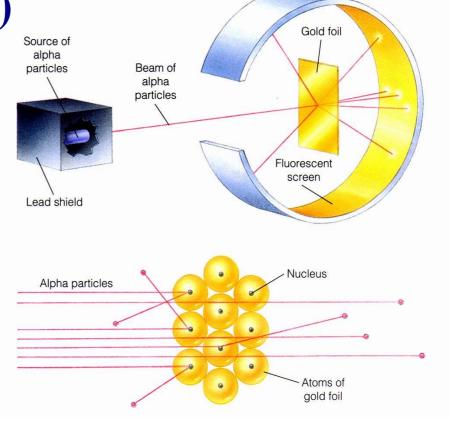


Geiger



Marsden

**Rutherford** 



"What we require is an apparatus to give us a potential of the order of 10 million volts.....

I see no reason why such a requirement cannot be made practical."

#### What constitutes an Accelerator?

- 1. Source of electrons / ions.
  - i. Number
  - ii. Emittance (transverse, longitudinal)
- 2. Accelerating Structure.
  - i. Electrostatic
  - ii. Electromagnetic (linear, circular)
- 3. Beam guidance and transport.
  - i. Bending
  - ii. Focussing (transverse, longitudinal)
- 4. High Vacuum enclosures.
- 5. Power supplies, either DC or AC(RF).
- 6. Control system.

# **Early Accelerators**

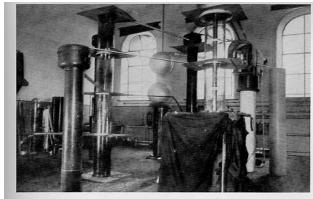
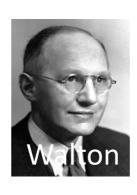


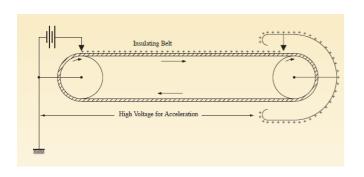
PLATE 3.7 Cockcroft and Walton's corner of the Cavendish. The tall transparent cylinder in the center is the discharge tube; the other cylinders are stacks of condensers and rectifiers. The curtained box is the observation center. Cockcroft and Walton, PRS, A136 (1932), 625, plate 11



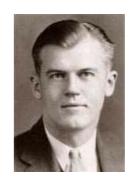


**Nobel 1951** 

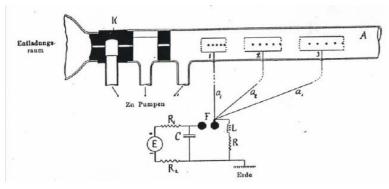
$$^{7}$$
Li + p =  $^{4}$ He +  $^{4}$ He at  $E_{p}$  = 400keV

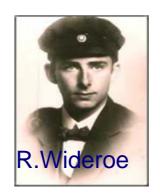




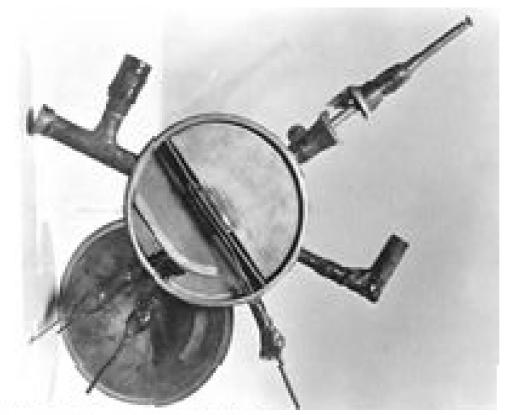


R.J. Van de Graaff





Linear Accelerator  $V = Vo \sin(\omega t + \psi_s)$   $L = \lambda/2$ . v/cE = n.q. Vo  $\sin \psi_s$ 



Ernest Orlando Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

First Cyclotron built by E.O. Lawrence and his student M.S. Livingston, 1931. Diameter ~ 4.5", Ep ~ 80 keV

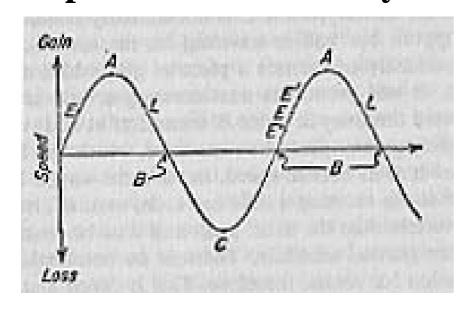


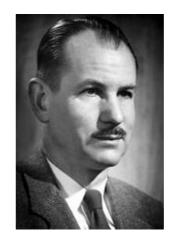


**Nobel 1939** 

$$f_{\text{cyclotron}}^{rel} = \frac{1}{\gamma} \cdot \frac{eB}{2\pi m}$$

#### Principle of Phase Stability: E.M. McMillan & V. I. Veksler, 1945

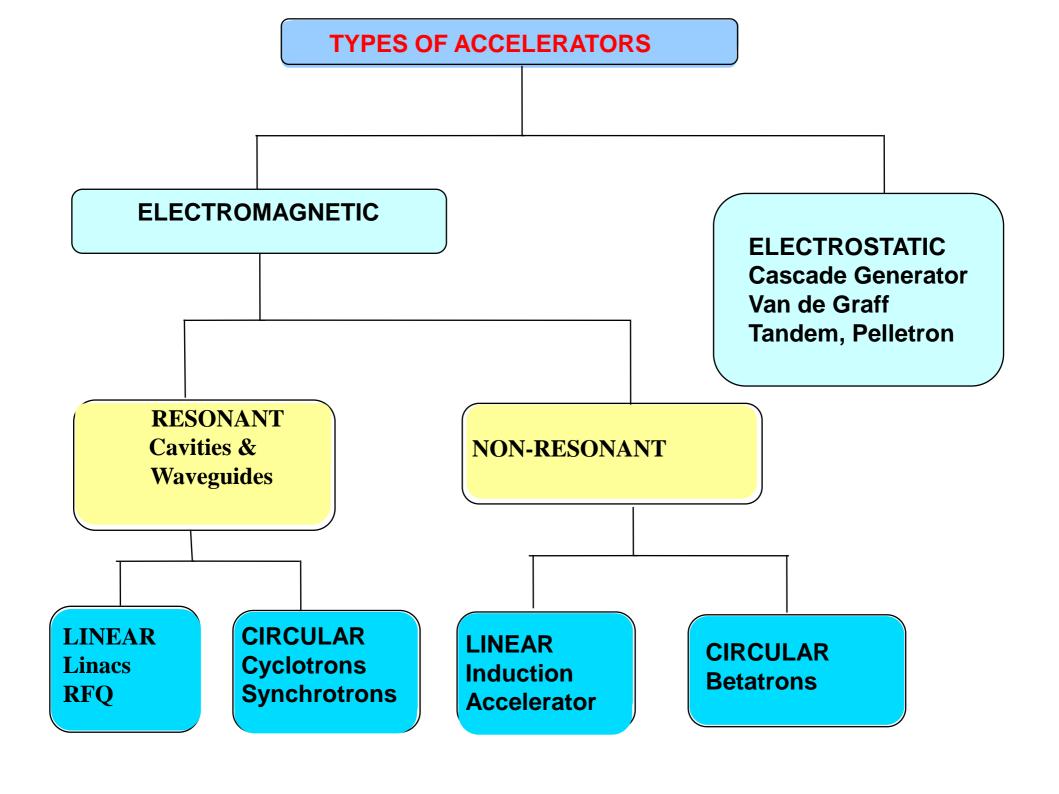






- 1) As particle energy increases, decrease  $f_{RF}$  => Synchrocyclotron
- 2) As particle gains energy, increase B

=> Synchrotron



# Large number of Accelerators were built

#### Set I

#### **Low Energy Accelerators:**

Van de Graaff, Cyclotron Providing wide variety of Ion beams

#### **Objective:**

Probing Nuclear Structure, Nuclear Reactions. Materials Science, Atomic Physics, Radiation Biology.

#### Set II

#### **High Energy Accelerators:**

Synchrocyclotrons, Synchrotrons Linacs

**Protons, Electrons** 

#### **Objective:**

Particle Properties, Substructure of Particles.

# How to increase the useful Energy?

**Sc Magnet** - Higher magnetic fields

$$(\mathbf{B} \propto \mathbf{n}.I)$$

#### Sc Cavity

- Higher Accelerating field at low power

$$(E = q. E)$$

smaller size lower cost

#### **Fixed-Target Machines:**

Target particle  $m_t$  is at rest in the lab,  $E_t = m_t c^2$ ,  $p_t = 0$ 

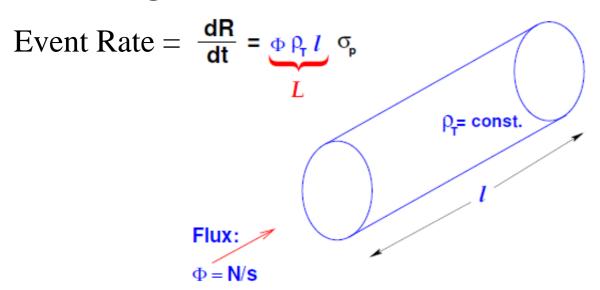
$$E^* = (2m_t c^2 E_p)^{1/2}$$

#### **Colliding-beam Machine:**

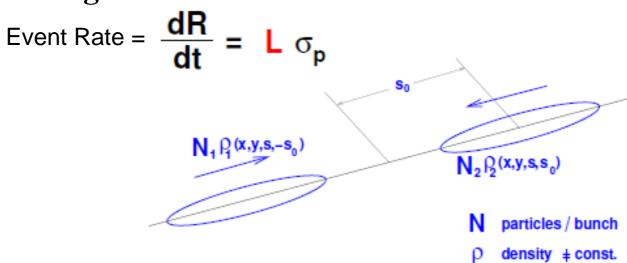
Incident and Target particles  $m_p$  and  $m_t$  travel in opposite directions

$$\mathbf{E}^{*2} = 4 \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{p}} \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{t}}$$

#### **Fixed Target**



#### **Colliding Beam**



Gaussian beams

$$\mathbf{L} = \frac{N_{e+}N_{e-}f_c}{4\pi \, \sigma_{\chi}\sigma_{y}}$$

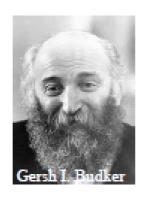
- Circular colliders high repetition rate
- Linear colliders lower repetition rate

#### Solution:

- -- Use more particles/ bunch
- --Lower emittance through cooling
- --Lower beam size through better focussing

# **Cooling of Beams:**

Electron cooling, 1966



Stochastic Cooling, 1972



**Nobel 1984** 

### Limitations

# Synchrotron Power Loss,

$$P_s \propto \gamma^4/R^2$$
,  $E = (\gamma + 1) m_0 c^2$ 

- Forces future e<sup>+</sup>-e<sup>-</sup> colliders to be *linear* LEP (180 GeV COM) is last of breed
- Large(!) circular machines for heavier particles

# **Limits of Acceleration**

Breakdown electric field in air ~ 30 kV/cm Max terminal voltage to ~ 3 MV in dry air.

Largest working electrostatic accelerator in the world, Oak Ridge Tandem (25 MV), 10 m diameter terminal filled with SF<sub>6</sub> at 80 psi.

#### Limit of RF field in vacuum

~ 20 -100 MV/m, ( $E_{max} \propto freq^{1/4}$ ).

Highest Accel. field achieved in a sc cavity

~ 60 MV/m.

Highest steady field magnet

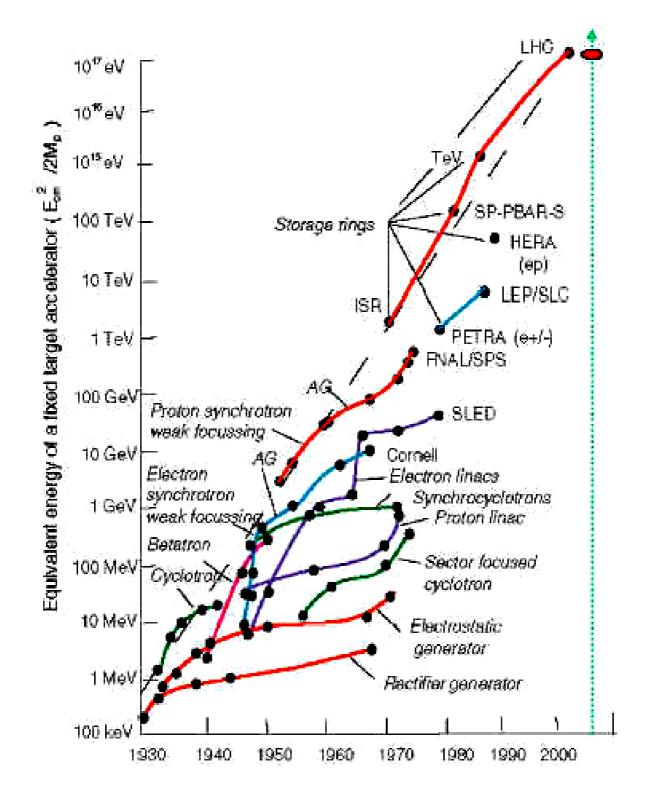
B = 45 tesla, Bore Dia: 32 mm, Power: 30 MW

Steady Magnetic Field over large area

~ 10-15 tesla

Bp  $\approx 3.3$  .p (GeV/c) T.m

∴ min  $\rho \approx 0.3$  p (GeV/c) m



# How to reach even higher energies?

Use a broken-down medium:

i.e., plasma

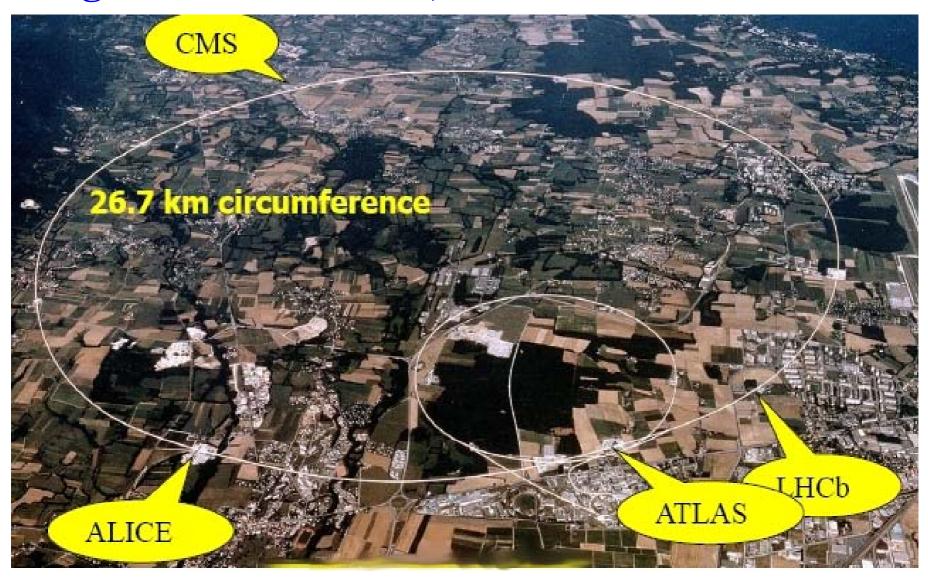
**Use New sources:** 

i.e., lasers

Laser based Accelerators,  $E_{acc} > GV/m$ 

Plasma Wakefield Accelerator
Laser Wakefield Accelerator
Dielectric Laser Accelerator

# **Largest Accelerator Large Hadron Collider, CERN**



Ref: http://www.cern.ch

# Large Hadron Collider: 7 TeV p on p





LHC: 40MW for 1200 dipoles

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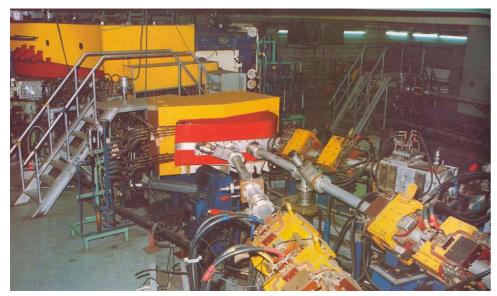
Ultimate Field = 9 T, Nominal Field (for 7 TeV) = 8.33 T "with no Superconductors" => 4GW and 6000 dipoles (120 km)

=> Affordable higher CW/long pulse gradients => robust Larger aperture cavity geometry for better beam quality

Indian contributions in Accelerator, Detectors & Experiments.

# **Indian Scenario**

# Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre, Kolkata



**K** = 140, Variable Energy Cyclotron



**Radioactive Ion Beam Facility** 

**K** = 500 Superconducting Cyclotron

# **Inter-University Accelerator Centre, New Delhi**



**16 UD Pelletron** 

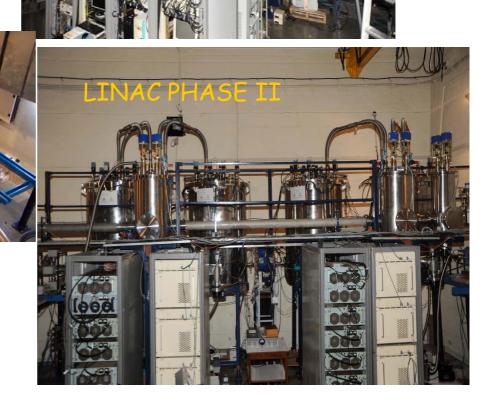


**Superconducting Linac** 

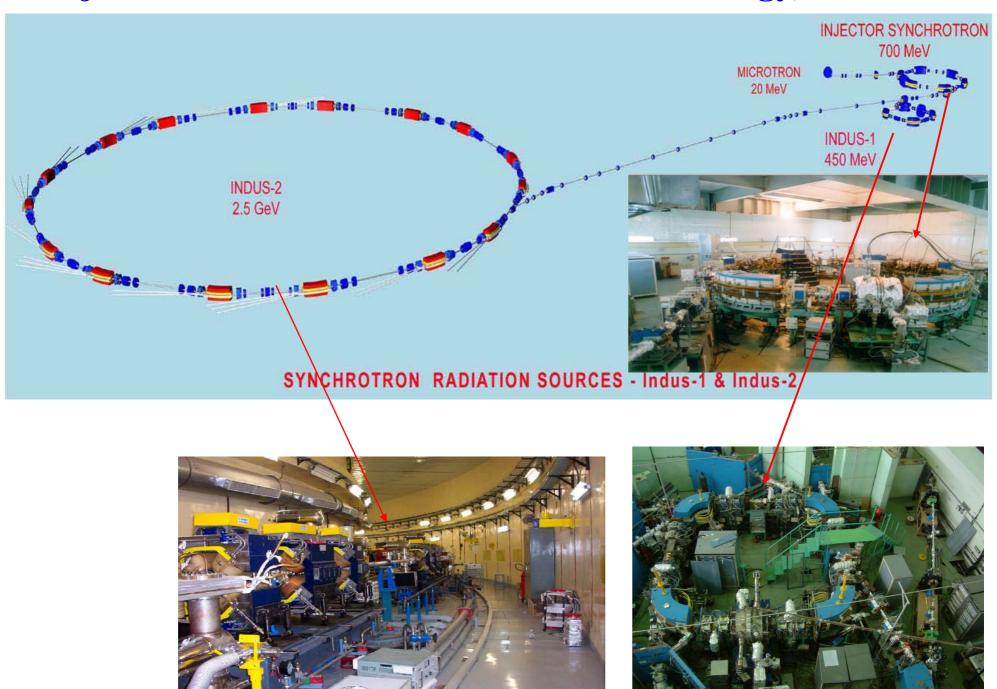
# Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai



14 UD Pelletron



### Raja Ramanna Centre of Advanced Technology, Indore



# New Accelerator Programmes in India

A National facility for Unstable and Rare Isotope Beams (ANURIB), VECC.

Accelerator Driven Subcritical System (ADSS), BARC.

Indian Spallation Neutron Source (ISNS), RRCAT.

Free Electron Laser, RRCAT, IUAC.

# Fourth-generation light sources: FEL

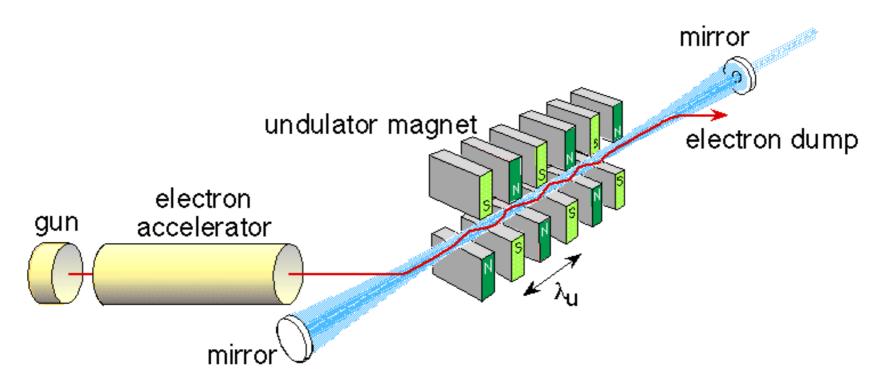
**Linac-based Free-Electron Laser** (Under development at RRCAT, IUAC)

# Modular Approach

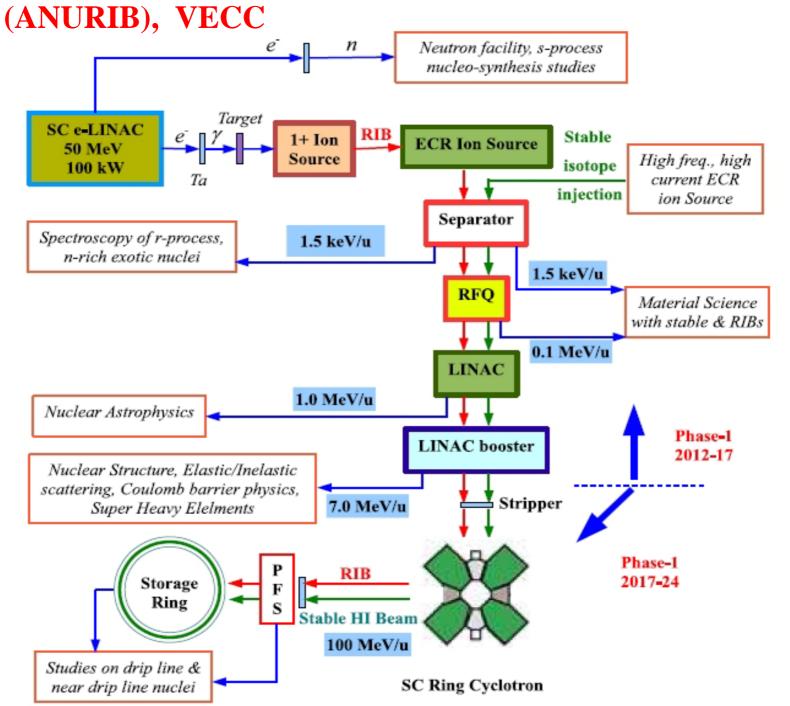
5 - 10 MeV - THz;

50-100 MeV - Infra Red, Visible, Soft X-ray

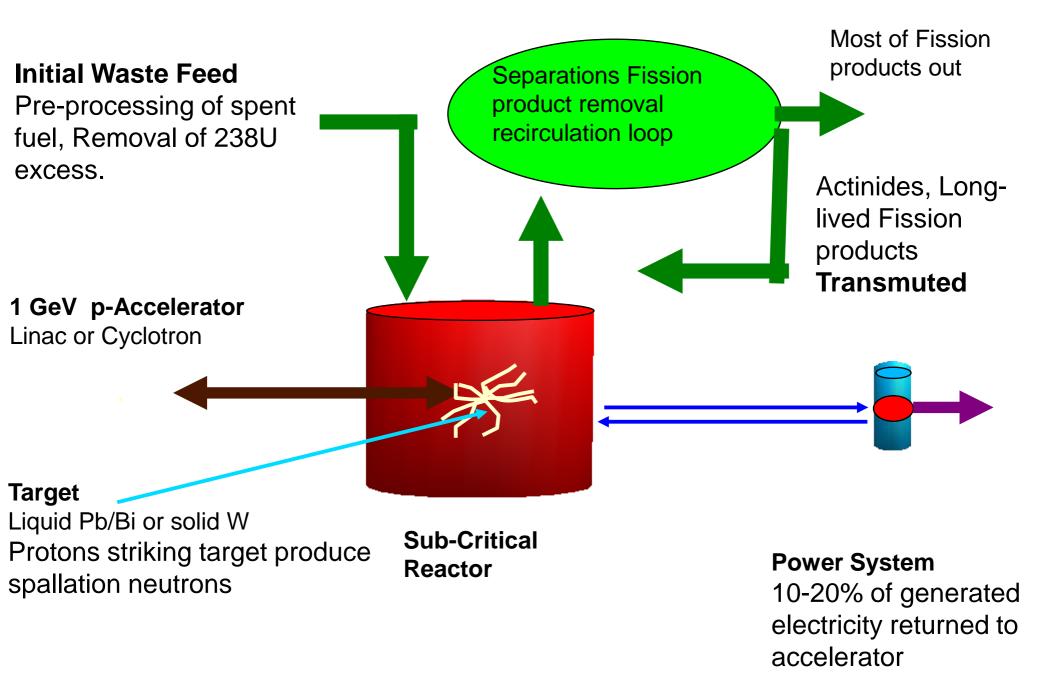
> 1 GeV - Hard X-ray

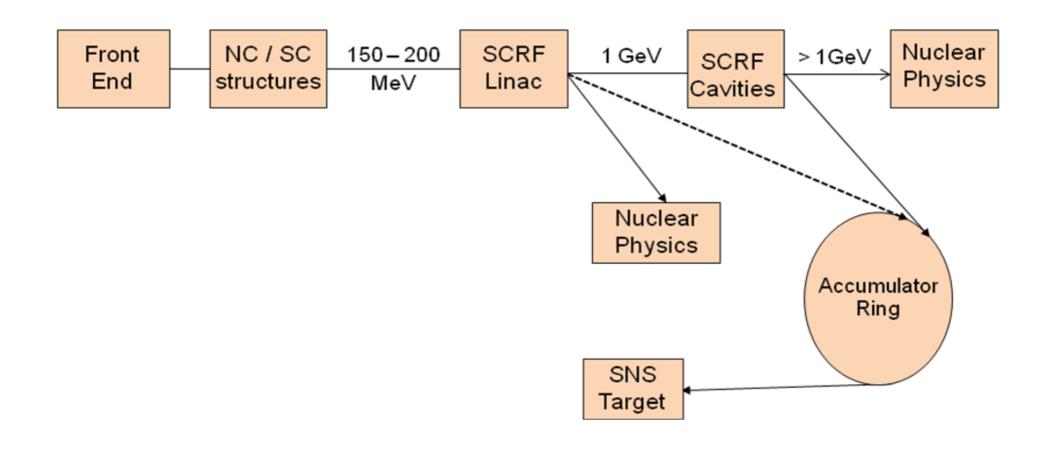


A National facility for Unstable and Rare Isotope Beams



### **Accelerator Driven Sub-Critical System**





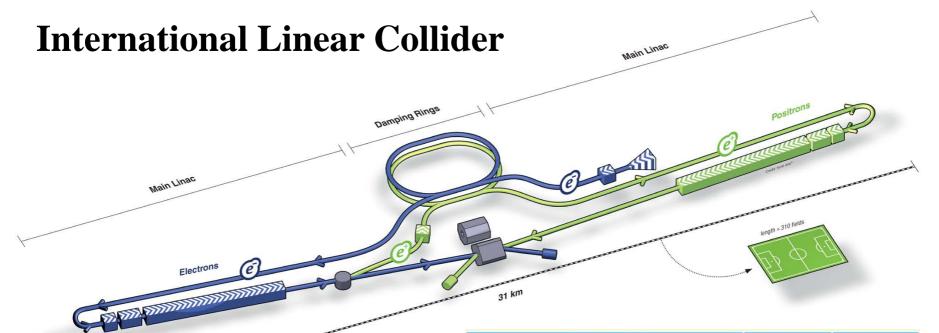
Indian Spallation Neutron Source (ISNS) at RRCAT, 1 GeV, 1 mA protons.

# **International Collaborations**

TESLA/International Linear Collider.

Fermilab, USA for High Intensity protons.

Contributions to FAIR, Germany.

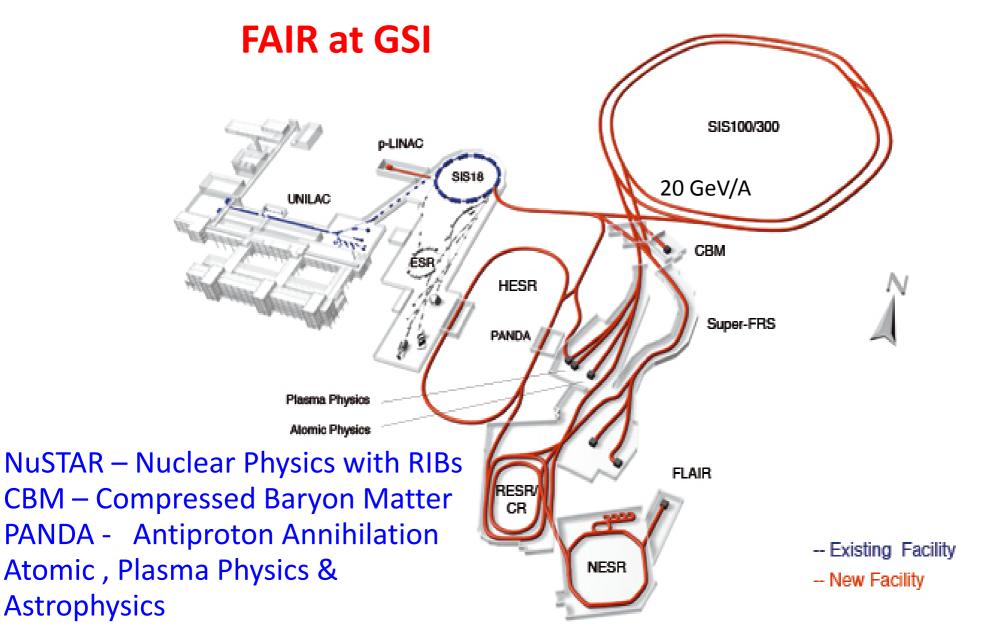




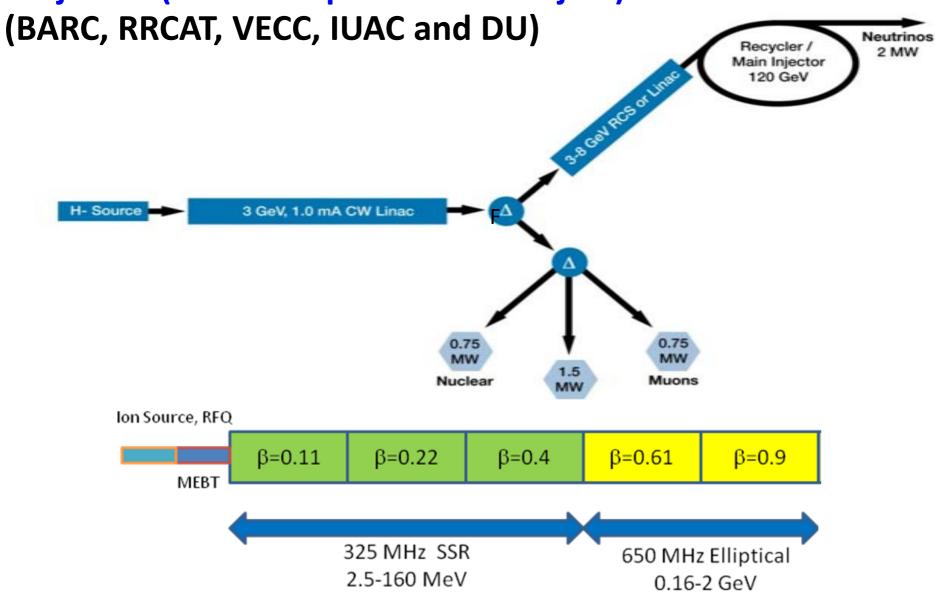
| Cavity Gradient (MV/m) | 31.5   |
|------------------------|--------|
| #9-Cell cavities       | ~16000 |
| #Cryomodules (2K)      | ~1800  |
| #RF units (10MW Kly)   | ~560   |

| Energy CM (GeV)  | 250   | 500   |
|--|-------|-------|
| Luminosity (x10 <sup>34</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ) | 0.75  | 1.8   |
| Beam size ( $\sigma_x/\sigma_y$ nm)                              | 730/8 | 470/6 |
| Pulse duration (ms)  | 0.75  | 0.75  |
| Beam power (MW)  | 5.2   | 10,5  |
| Total AC power (MW)  | 128   | 162   |

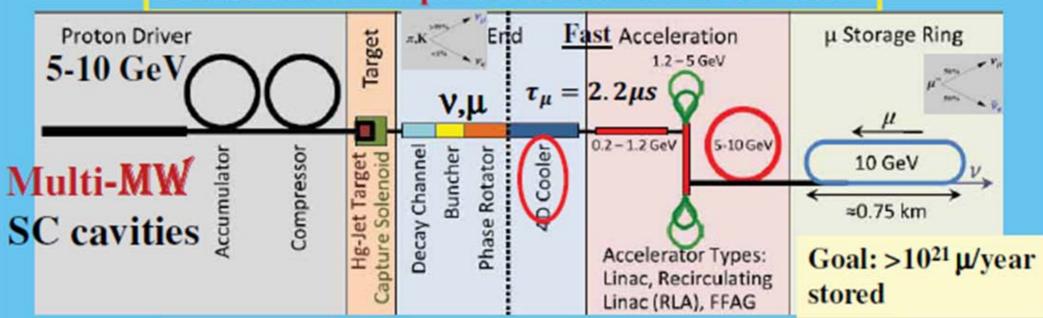




India to supply Beam diagnostic chambers, Sc solenoid magnets for Super-FRS, Power supplies, high power cables, High power beam catcher. Indian Institutions-Fermilab Collaboration on Project X (Proton Improvement Project)



# From neutrino superBeams toward v-factories



Either using existing LEP/LHC tunnel to reach 26-32 TeV collisions



Or build (or reuse) a 80km tunnel to reach 80-100 TeV collisions

In both cases, SC challenge to develop 16-20 Tesla magnets!

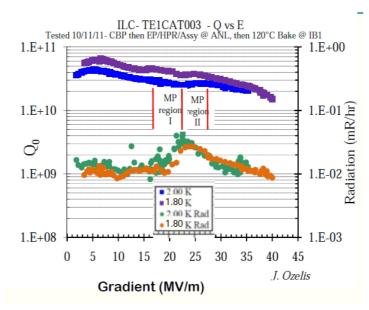


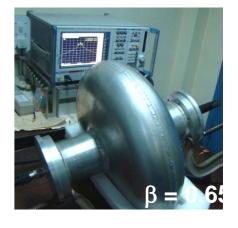
# How prepared are we?

# Development of SCRF Cavities at RRCAT – IUAC - VECC Under Indian Institutions & Fermilab Collaboration



Single Cell, 1.3 GHz







Spoke Cavity,  $\beta = .22$ 





9-Cell Cavity



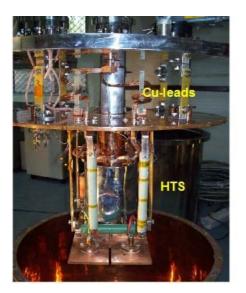


**World's 1st Laser Welded Cavity** 



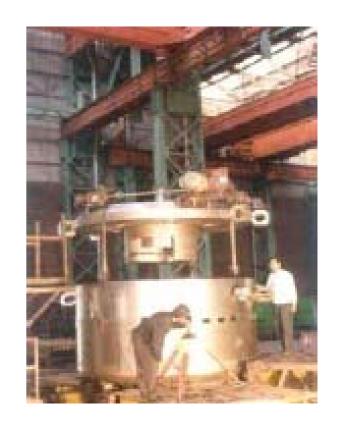


Superconducting Magnet coil winding facility, VECC





Cryofree High  $T_c$  Superconducting Magnet, 6.2 T, IUAC



Magnet Assembly

# **Indigenous Development of Nb-Materials**

NFC, Hyderabad

Development of materials and testing of mechanical properties

RRCAT,Indore

Electrical and superconducting properties, elemental analysis



On-line CICC Fabrication Facility Developed at AFD, BARC



Cross section of 20x20mm CICC



0.8mm dia SC wire having 492 Nb-Ti Filaments, Tested for 11 kA.



First indigenous helium liquefier, RRCAT 20-50 l/hr



He Impurity Monitor, IUAC



16 mm turbine 264,000 RPM





Assembled turboexpanders



Compact Brazed Plate & Fin Heat Exchangers

#### **Conclusion**

Higher and higher energies of Accelerators were built as demand went up from Physicists.

New methods and technologies invented for accelerators have found wide use. Numerous societal applications have been found.

State-of-Art Accelerator projects have been taken up in India.

New Technologies are needed for higher energy accelerators.

**Exciting challenges for the young researchers.**