

Design and construction of a cryogenic Penning trap for single-proton experiments

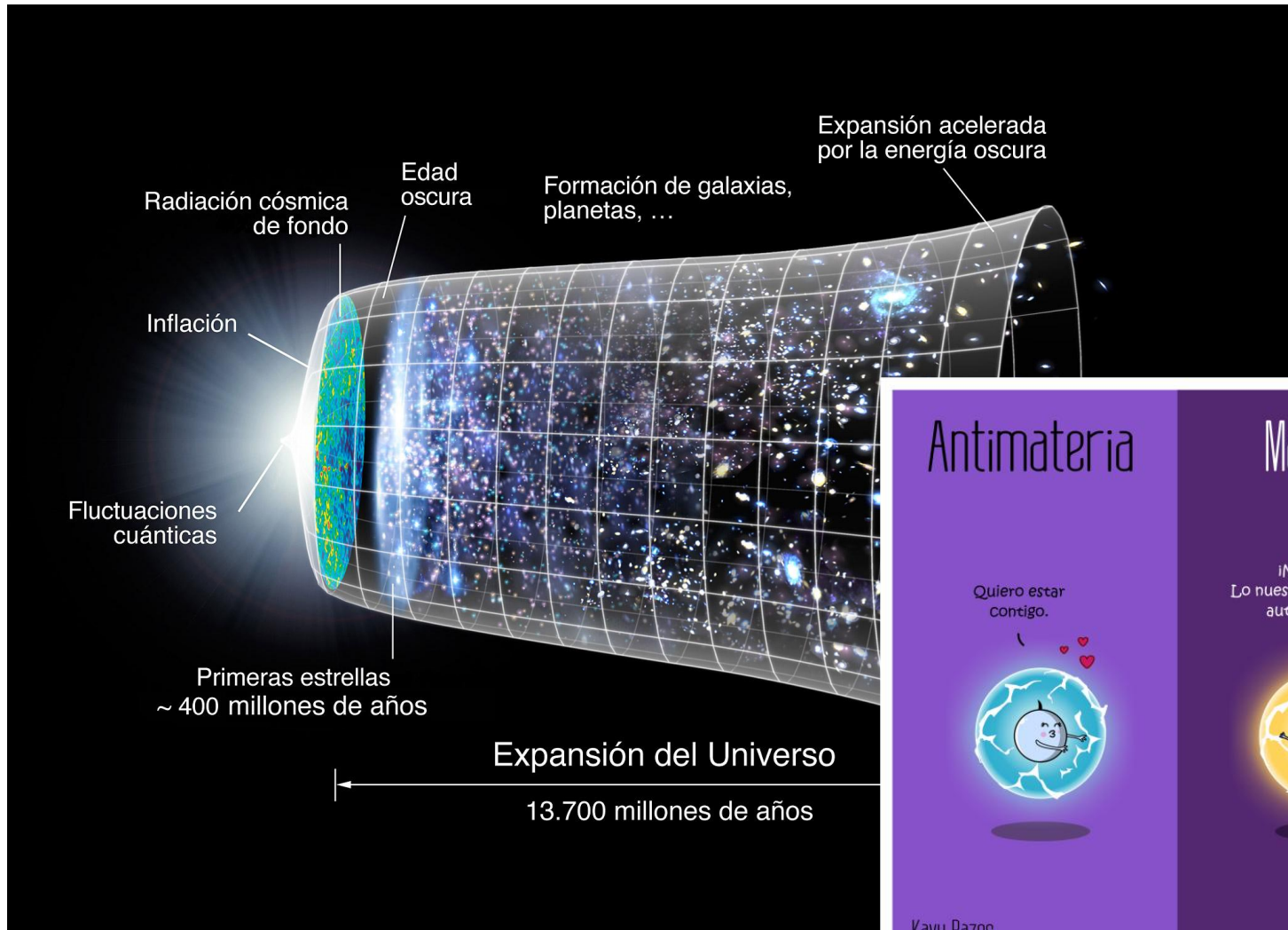
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Motivation



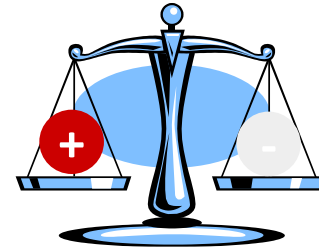
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► Particles and antiparticles have:

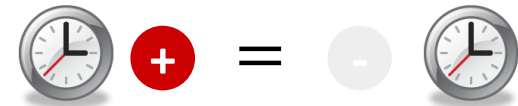
► Same mass



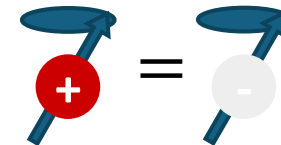
► Same charge (except for sign)

$$|+| = |-|$$

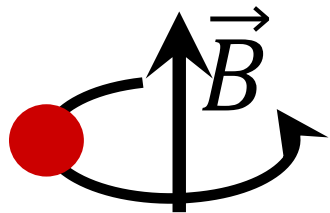
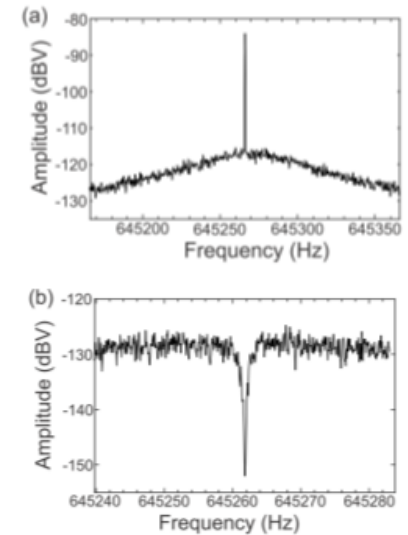
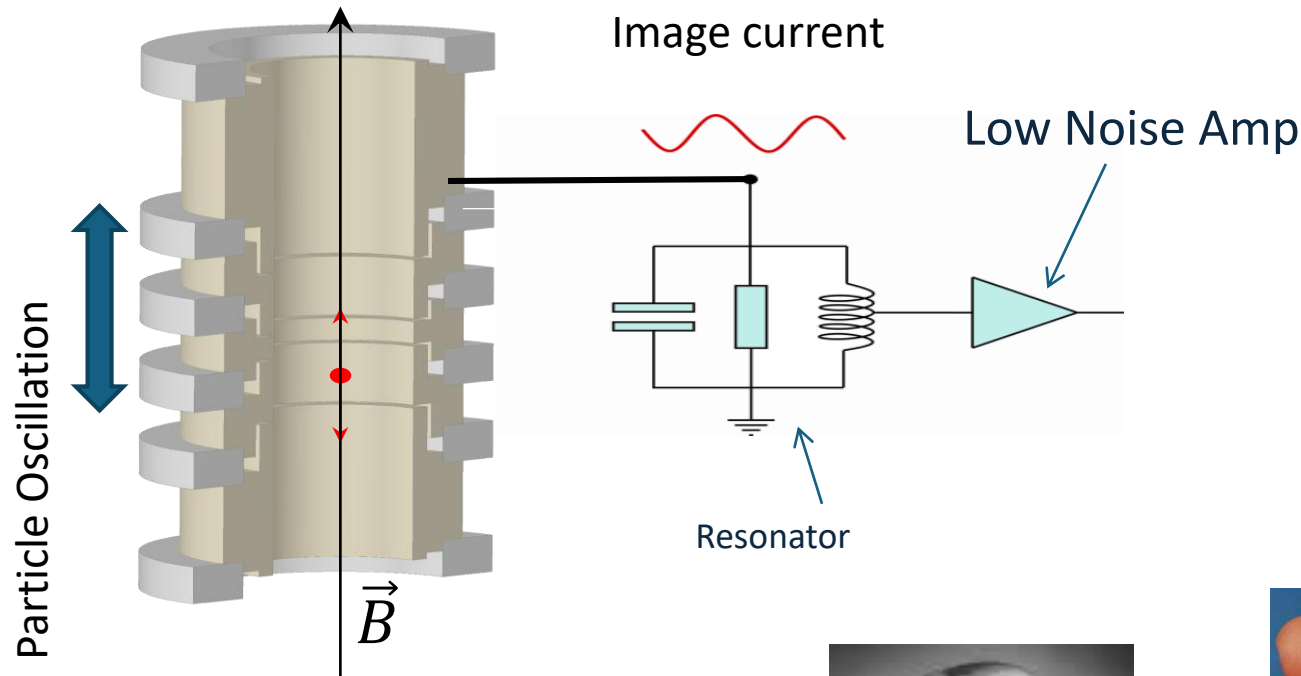
► Same lifetime



► Same magnetic moment

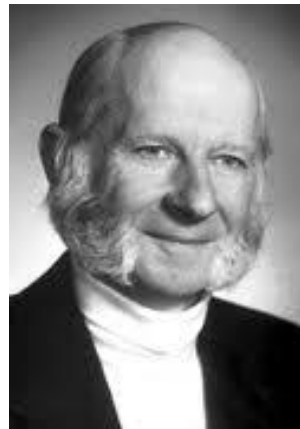


The Penning trap

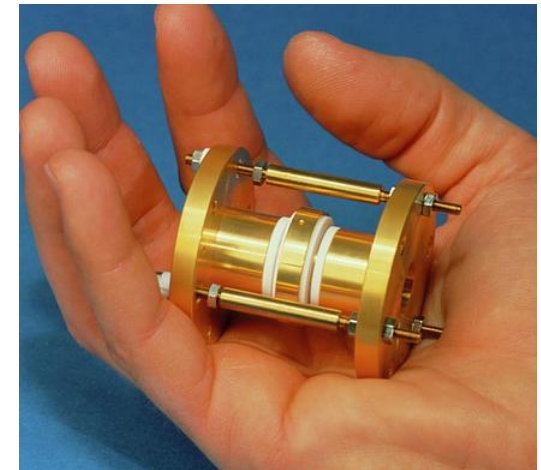


Cyclotron motion

Hans Dehmelt
Nobel Prize in
Physics 1989



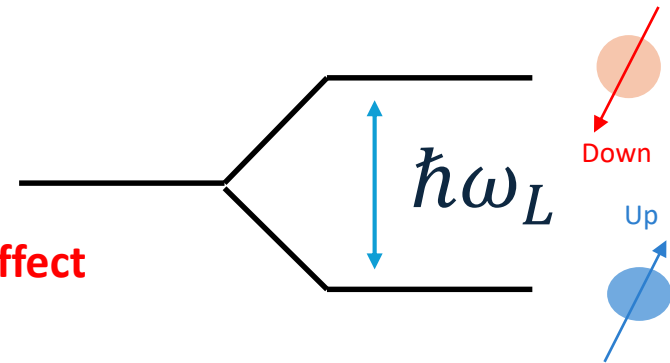
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Larmor frequency

Very hard work - Continuous Stern Gerlach Effect



$$g = 2 \frac{\omega_L}{\omega_c}$$

ω_L → Larmor frequency ~ Spin
 ω_c → Cyclotron frequency ~ q/m

Cyclotron frequency

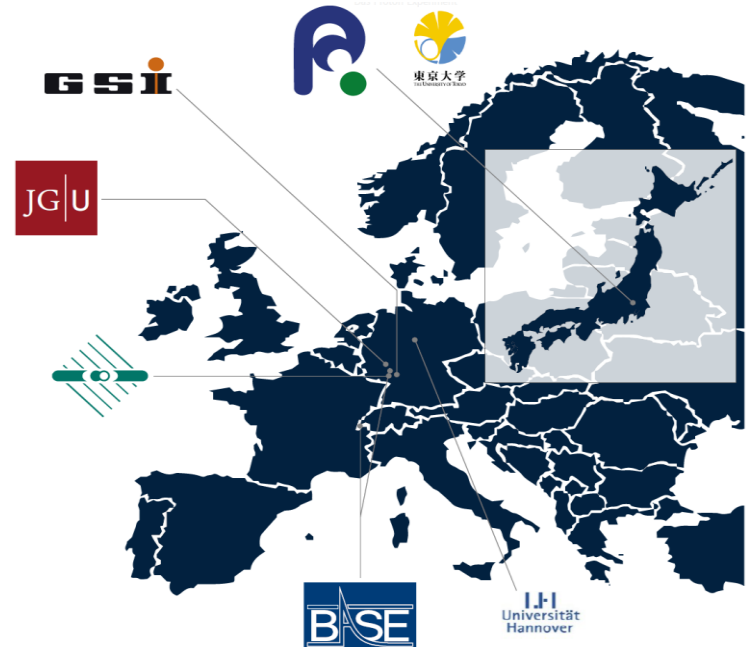
Straightfoward – Image Current Detection

$$\omega_c = \frac{q}{m} B$$

$$\omega_c^2 = \omega_+^2 + \omega_z^2 + \omega_-^2$$

BASE collaboration

- **BASE-Mainz:** Measurement of the magnetic moment of the proton, implementation of new technologies.
- **BASE-CERN:** Measurement of the magnetic moment of the antiproton and proton/antiproton q/m ratio
- **BASE-STEP:** Development of transportable antiproton traps
- **BASE-Hannover/PTB:** BASE-LOGIC / QLEDS-laser cooling project, new technologies
- **BASE-HHU:** Offline measurements with transported antiprotons

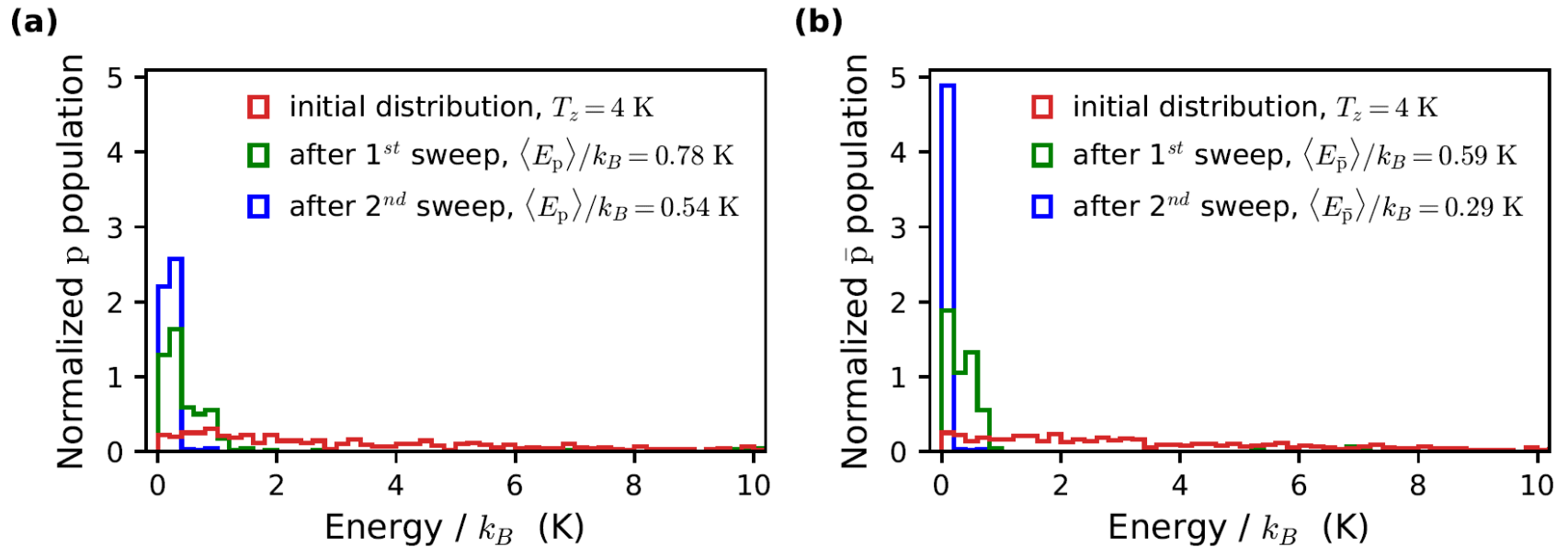


Four experiments, 9 institutes, about 30 collaborators, 12 at CERN



Nikita
Poljakov

A robust method to reach the motional quantum regime of (anti-)protons



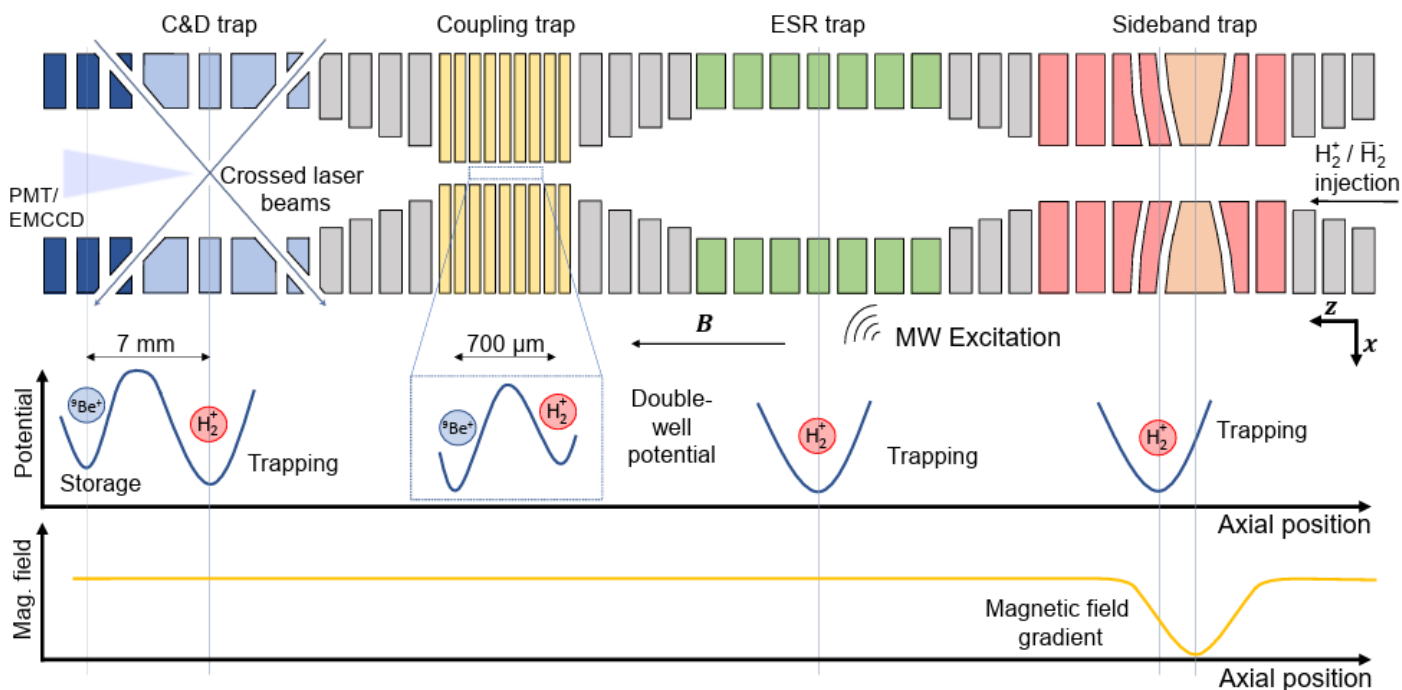
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$H_2^+ / \bar{H}_2^-$ Proposal



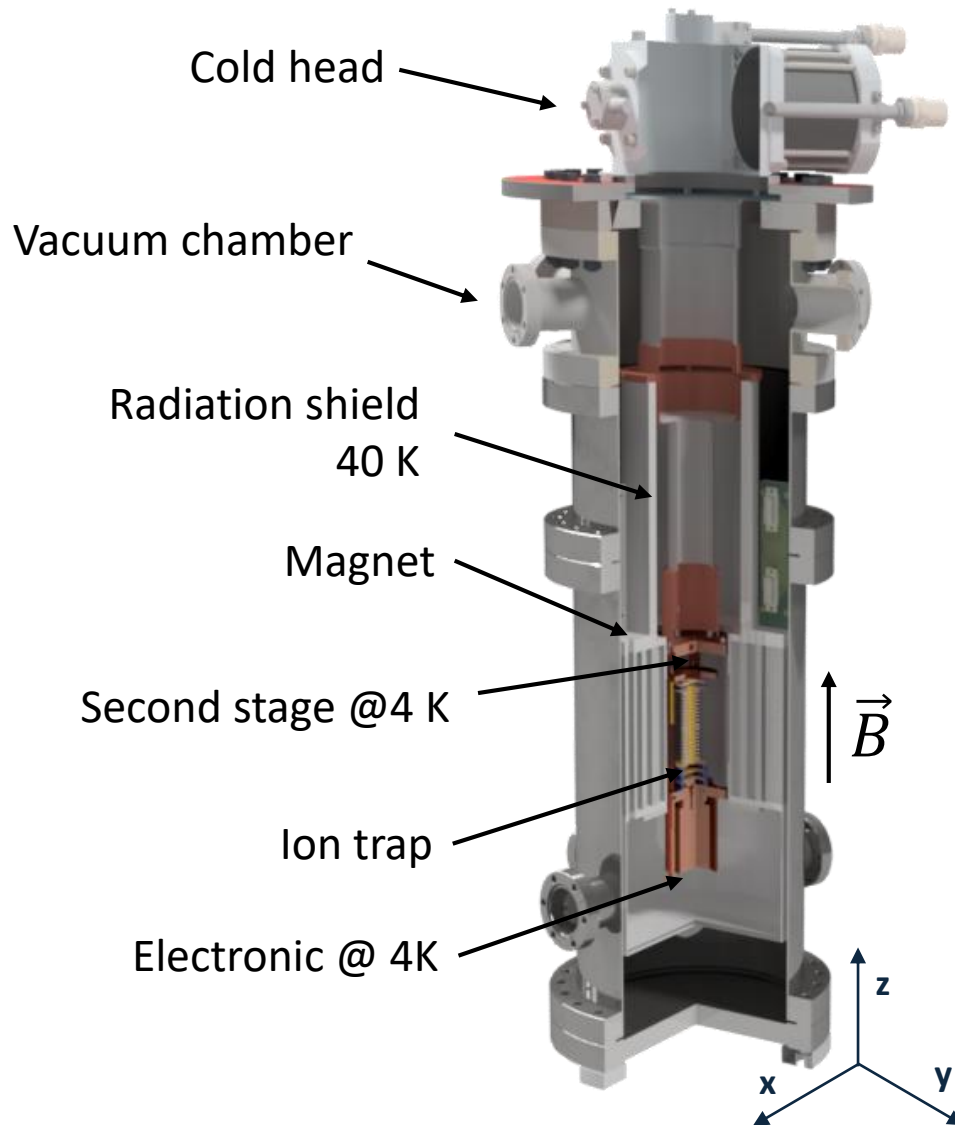
Prof. Stephan
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On the potential for high-accuracy spectroscopy of H_2^+ and $\bar{H}_2^-$ in Penning traps



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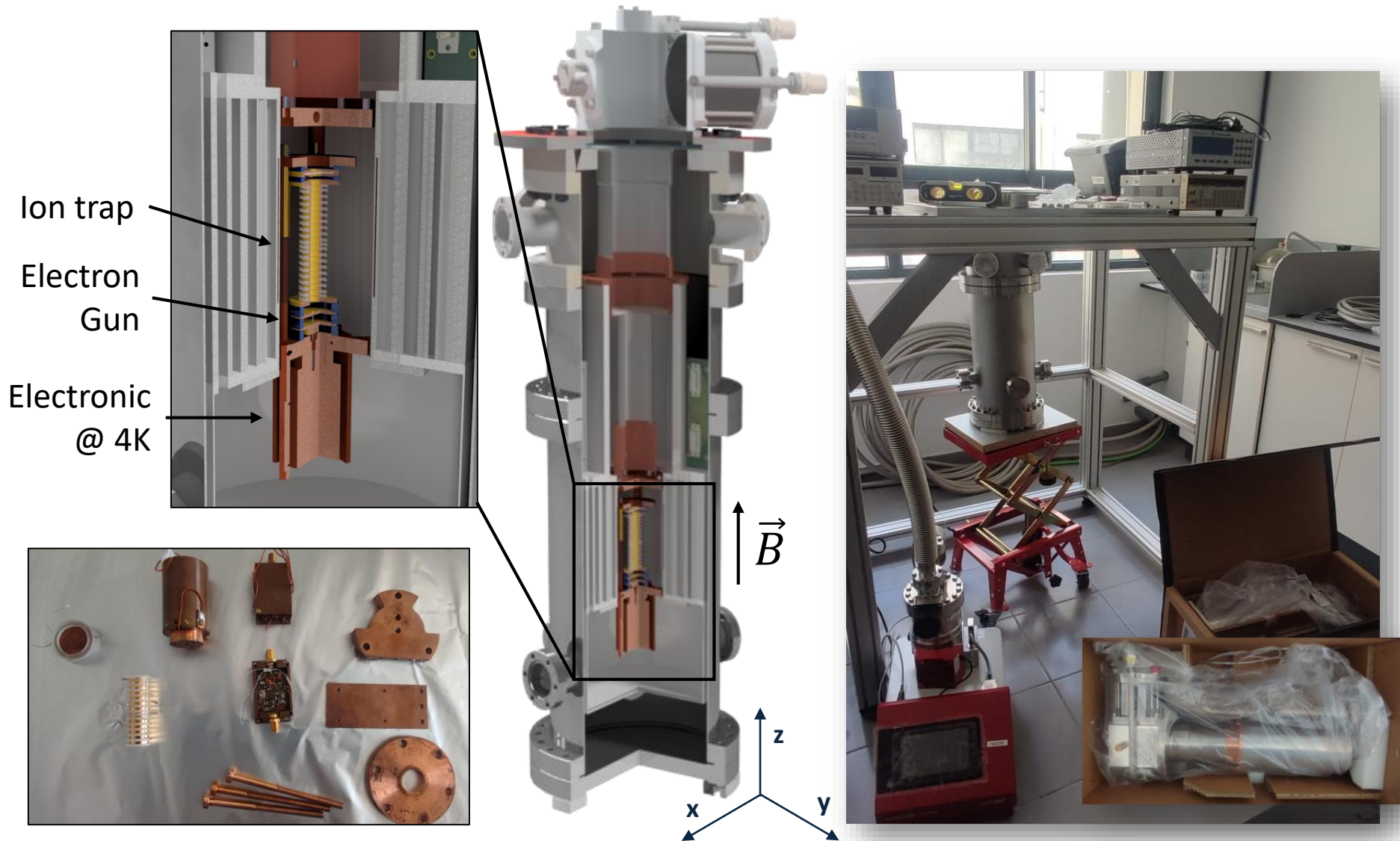
Experimental setup @ UCA



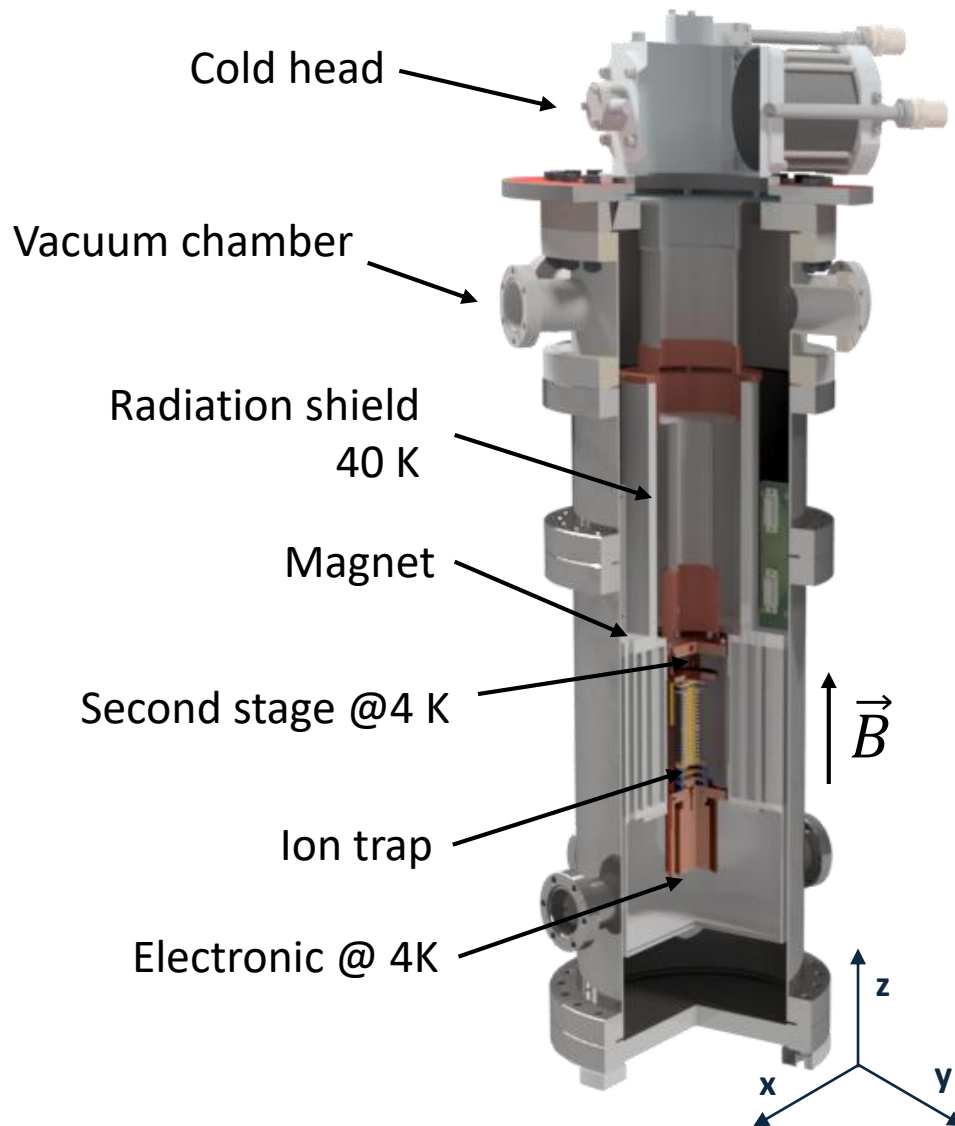
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- Quartz resonators for axial detection
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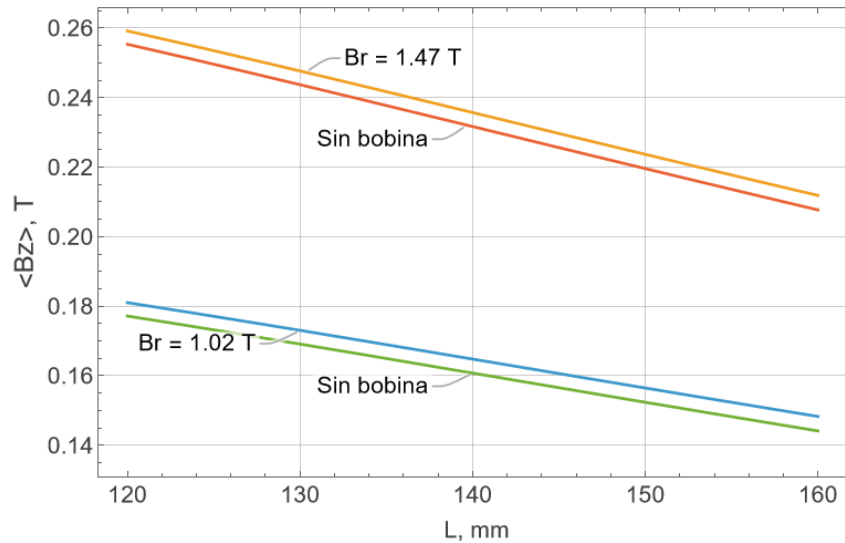
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Experimental setup: Magnet

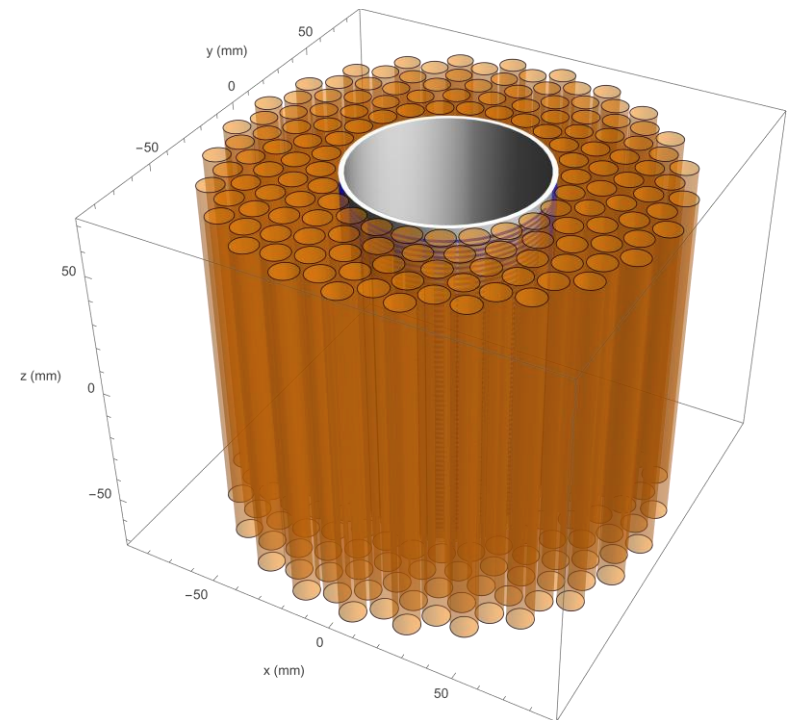


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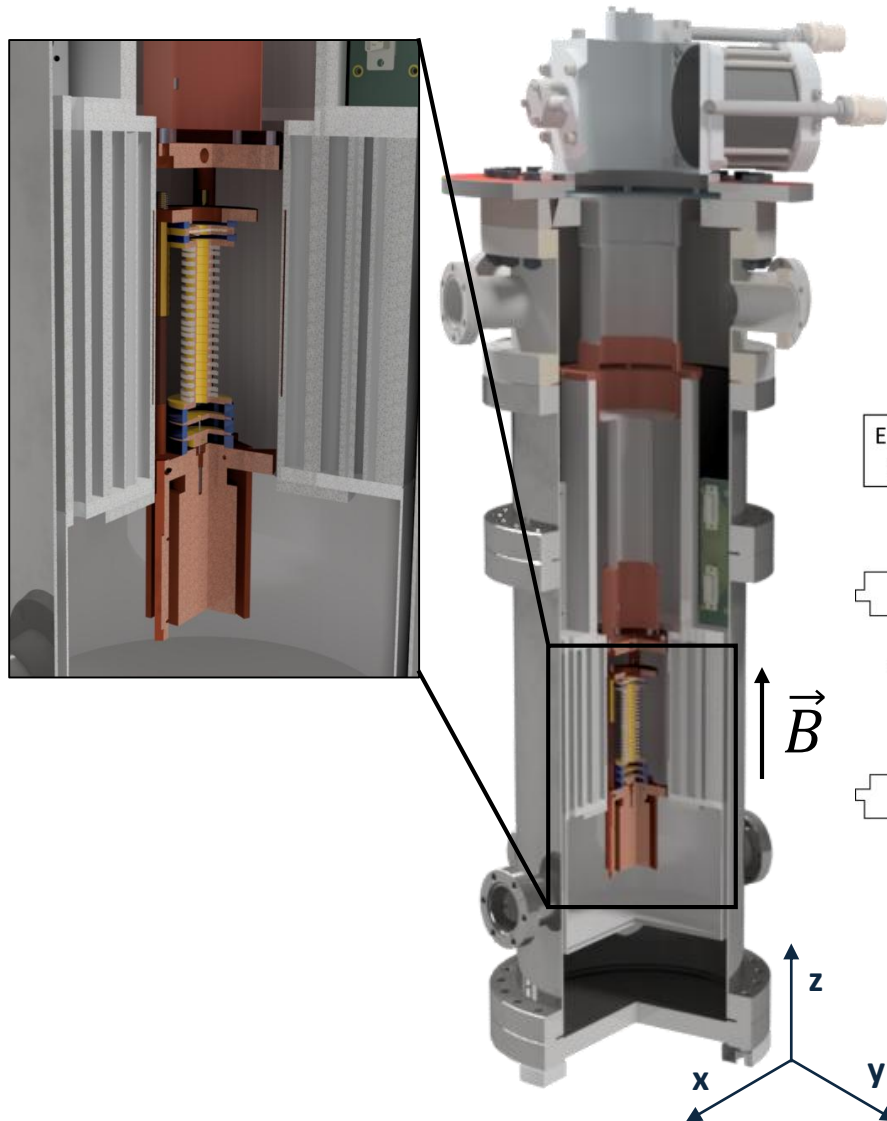
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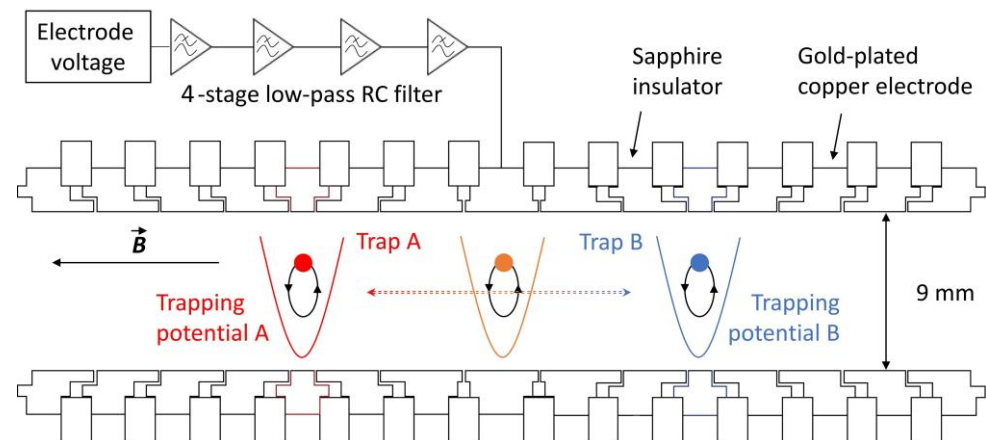


Experimental setup: Adiabatic transport



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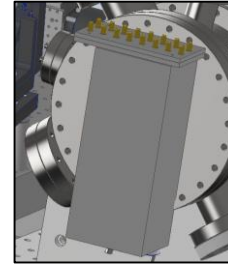
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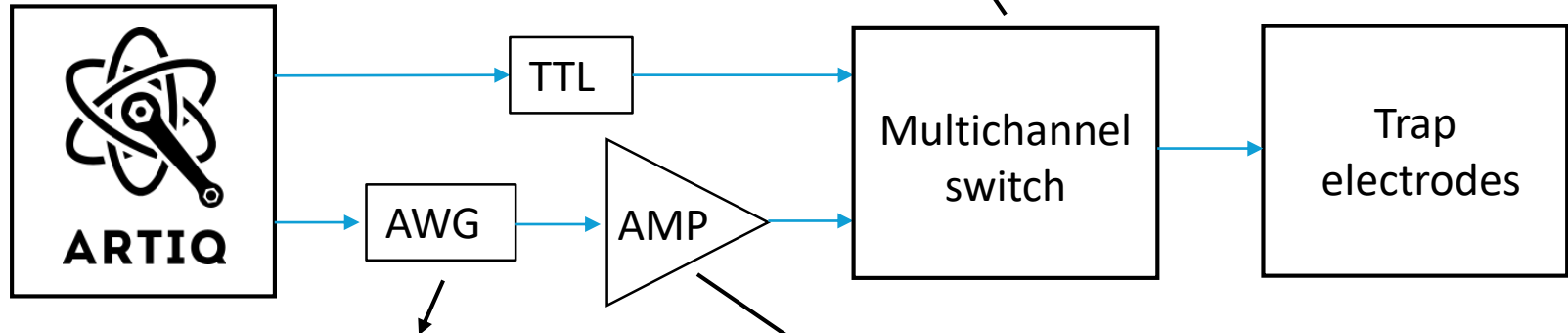


Marek
Prasse



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Newer within Sinara/artiq ecosystem:

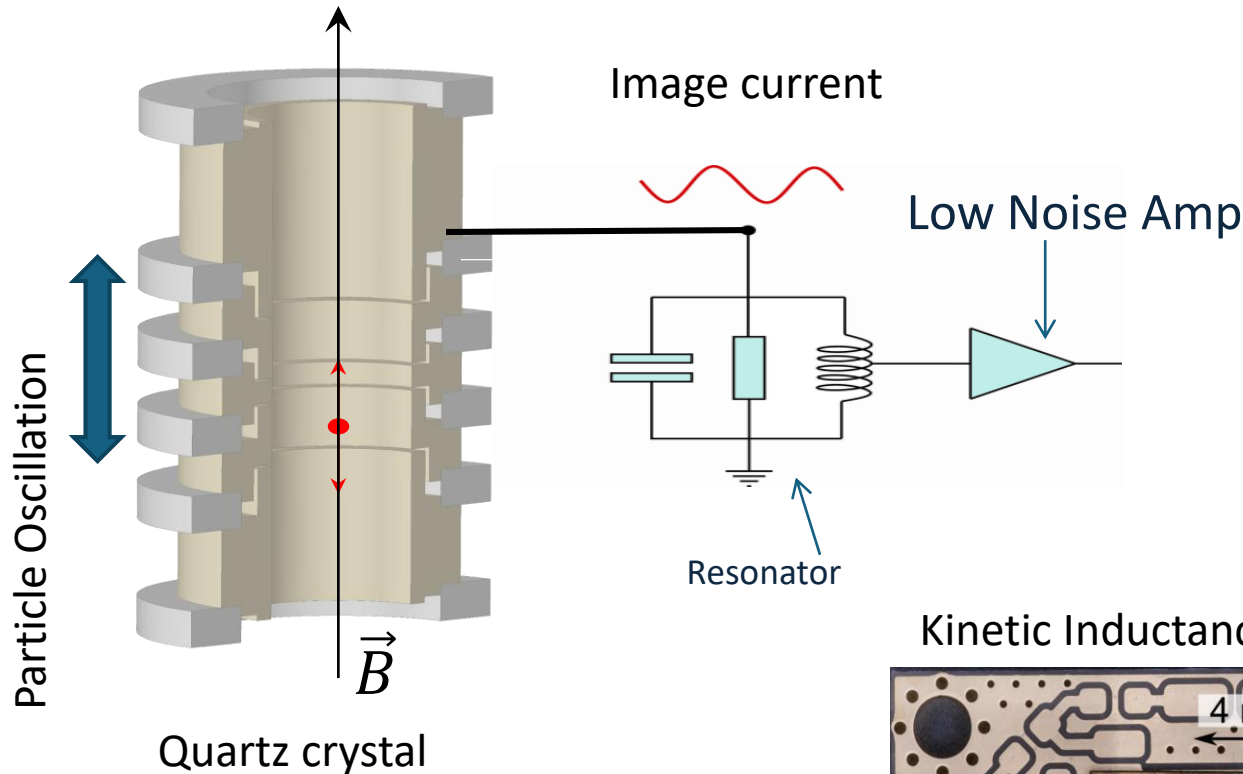
DAC Shuttler:

- 16-Channel, ~18 bit, 125MS/s
- **AWG**



Marius
Neumann

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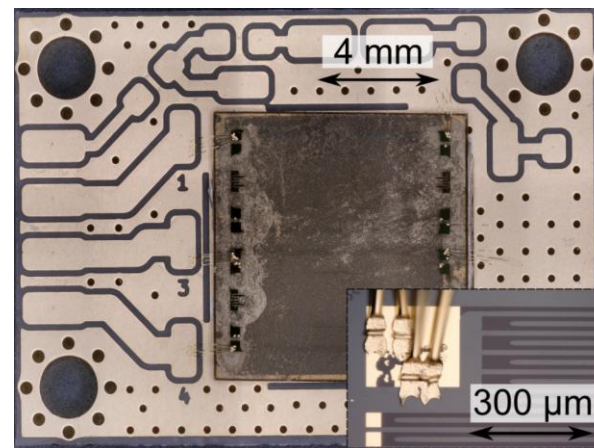
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collaboration with group Prof.
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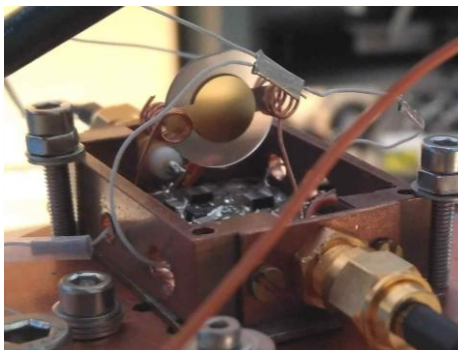


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Kinetic Inductance



Yannick Priewich,
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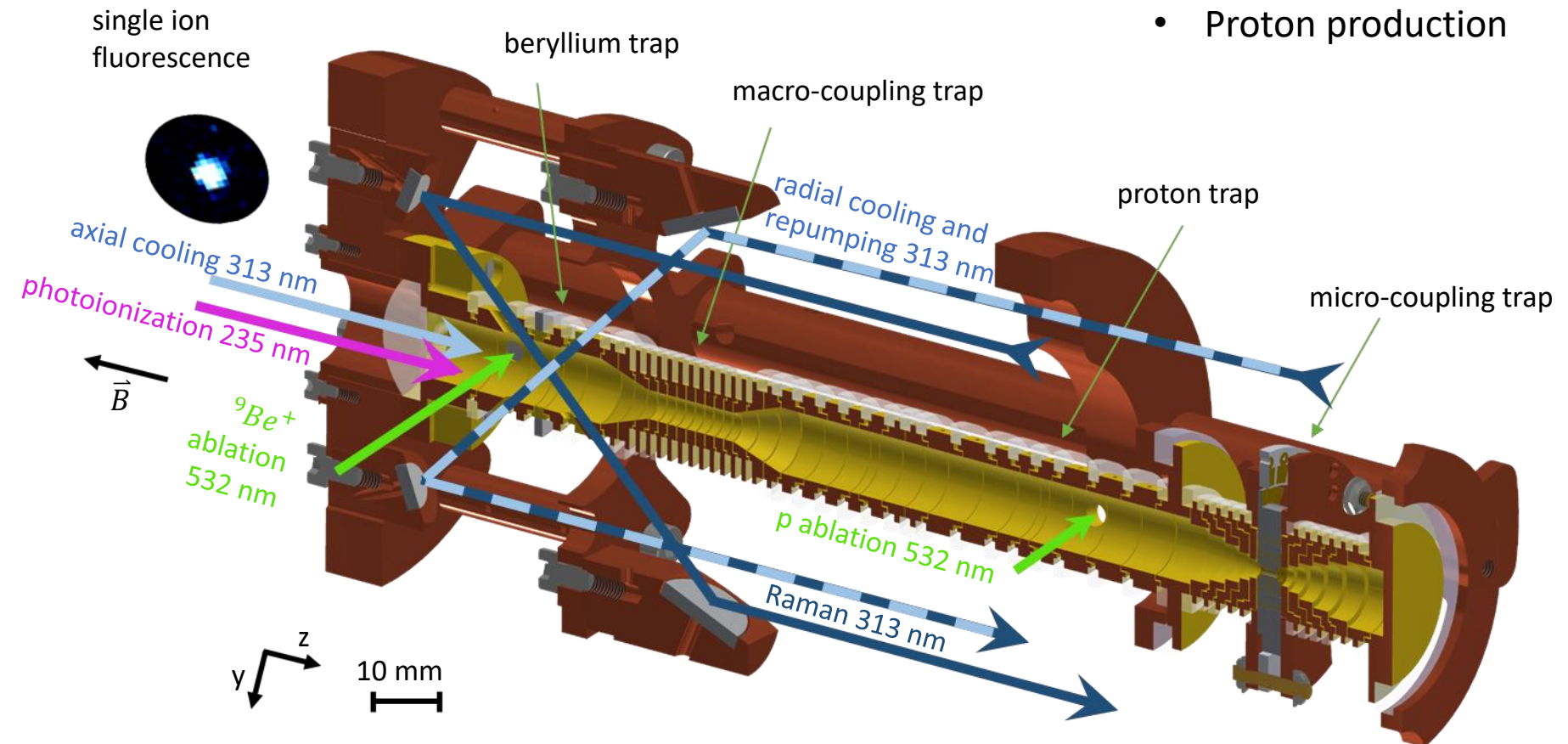


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Proton production

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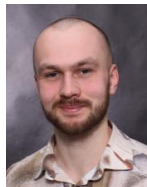


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