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The PSI logo consists of the letters 'PSI' in a stylized, white, outlined font, set against a grey horizontal bar.An aerial photograph of a lush green landscape. A winding river flows through the center, surrounded by dense forests and rolling hills in the background. A road and some buildings are visible in the lower-left quadrant.

Beam Loss Simulations for the Proposed TATTOOS Beamline at HIPA

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An aerial view of a large, circular, multi-story building with a dark roof, situated in a green field. The building has a central circular opening. Other smaller buildings and parking lots are visible nearby.

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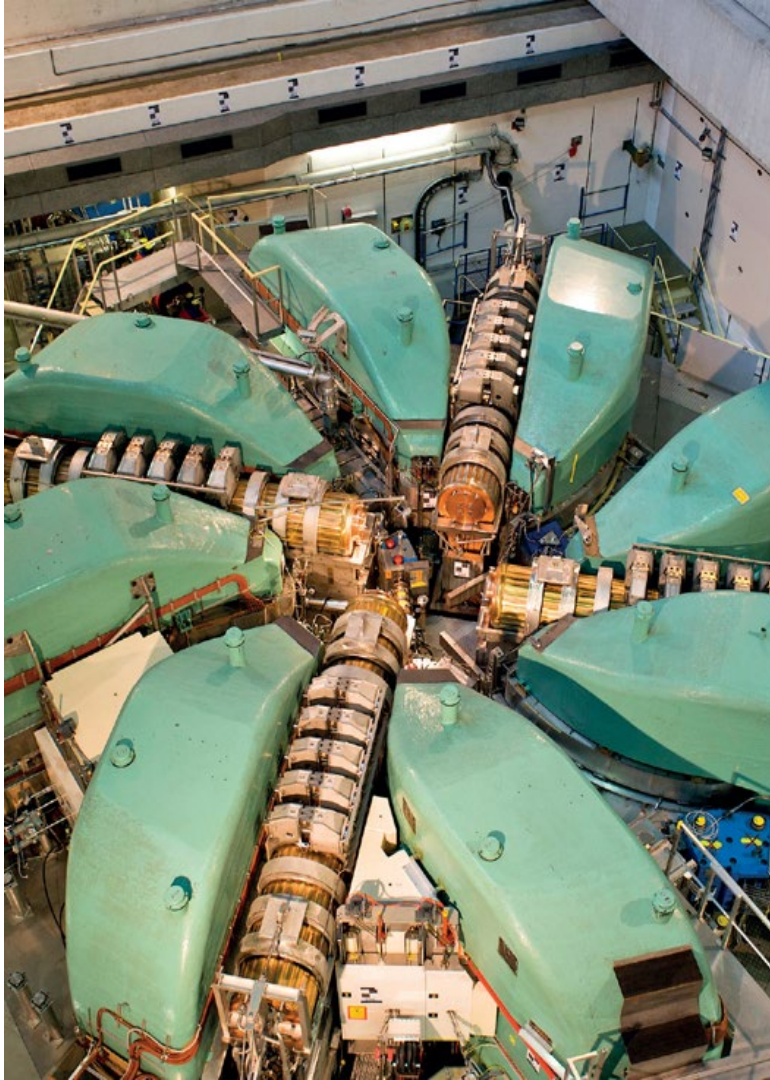
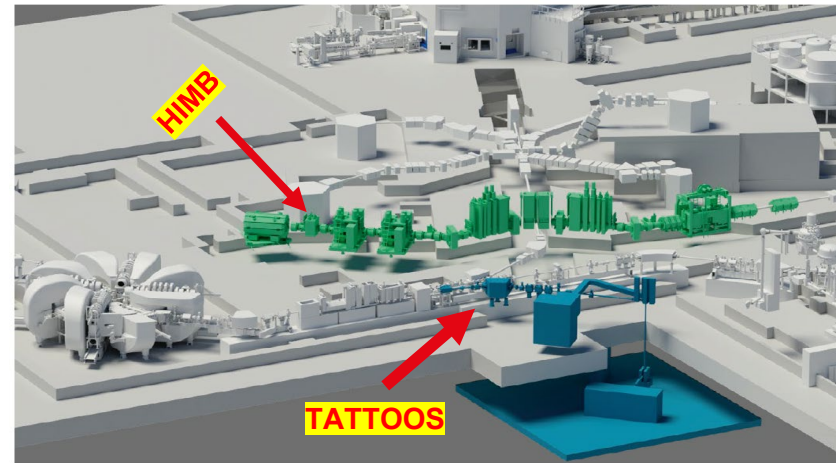
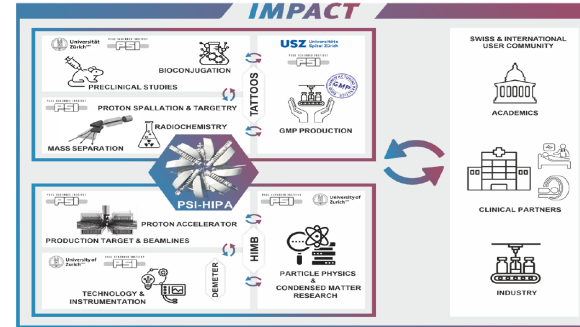


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Outline of the TATTOOS Initiative

Overview of IMPACT initiative (TATTOOS and HIMB).



- High Intensity Proton Accelerator (**HIPA**) at PSI – 590 MeV CW proton beam, currents up to 2.4 mA.
- **IMPACT** (Isotope and Muon Production with Advanced Cyclotron and Target Technologies) – proposed initiative for HIPA.
- **IMPACT:**
 - HIMB (High Intensity Muon Beams) – Replacing existing target to increase surface muon production.
 - **TATTOOS** (Targeted Alpha Tumour Therapy and Other Oncological Solutions) – new beamline to produce **promising radionuclides** for therapeutic and diagnostic purposes.
- TATTOOS beamline intensity – **100 μA** → Requires continuous splitting of main HIPA beam via electrostatic beam splitter.

Overview of the HIPA facility

- Proton beam extracted from the Ring Cyclotron and delivered to :
 - Two meson production targets (TgM and TgE).
 - Two spallation sources:
 1. Swiss Spallation Neutron Source (SINQ).
 2. Ultra Cold Neutron source (UCN).
- Beamline from extraction to SINQ : P-Channel.
- Kicker magnet diverts beam from TgM, E and SINQ to UCN.
- Beam splitter, peels off small portion of beam, to be sent to TATTOOS target.

HIPA facility and foreseen TATTOOS location.




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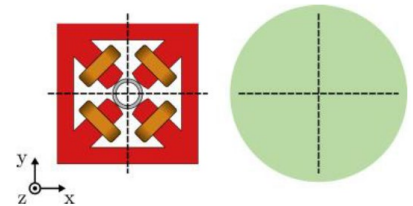
Main Requirement and Challenges for TATTOOS Beamline

- Requirement → transport beam without large losses to allow “hands-on” maintenance (loss levels should be < 1 W/m to limit activation of components).
- Main physics challenge and innovation → unprecedented power of split beam (60 kW beam power).
- Residual activity by lost beam particles is :
 - Source of exposure for personnel.
 - Source of damage and reduced lifetime of radiation sensitive components.
- For TATTOOS:
 - Splitter has to withstand significant power deposition.

Beam Delivery Simulation (BDSIM)

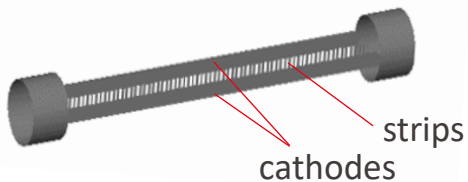


- Need to perform tracking simulations in EM fields and accurately predict interaction processes with TATTOOS components.
-  BDSIM (Geant4 based) delivers optimal and complete simulation from beam splitter to TATTOOS target.



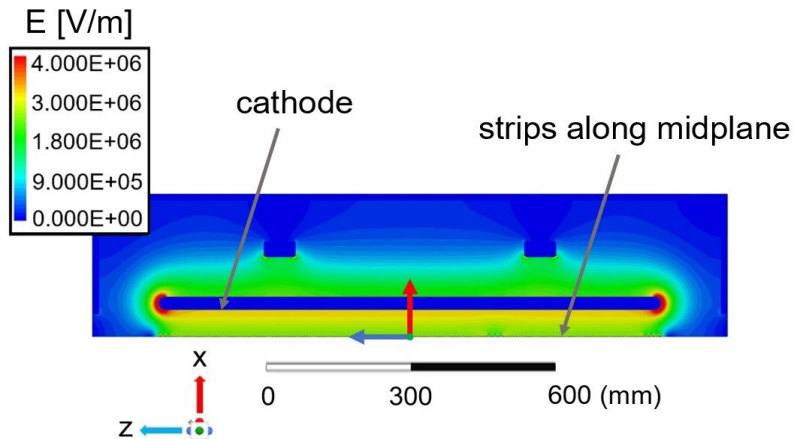
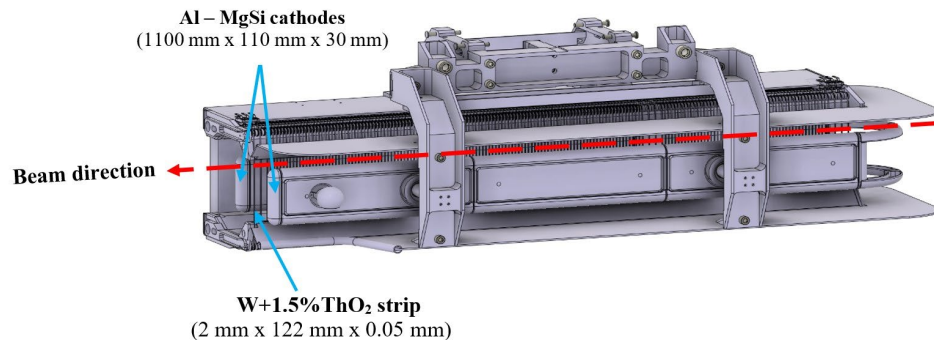
Beam Splitter

- Peels off high power beam in the horizontal plane.
- Septum : series of 175 electrically grounded tungsten alloy strips (2 mm x 122 mm x 0.05 mm).
- 2 cathodes at -172 kV create E-fields on either side of strips.
- Protons pulled away from strips for each beam.
- Detailed electric field map with ANSYS and implemented in BDSIM.
- Viability of the splitter - Splitter can withstand power deposition (first strip can handle max. 20 W).
- At the moment, splitter not used in normal operation.



Splitter geometry (GDML) implemented in BDSIM.

Computer aided design (CAD) of splitter (courtesy of D. Goetz).

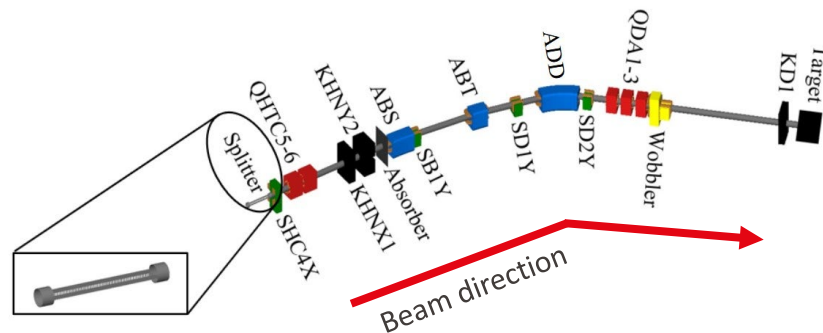


Splitter electric field map, resolution : 25 μm by 3000 μm by 500 μm .

TATTOOS Beamline Description

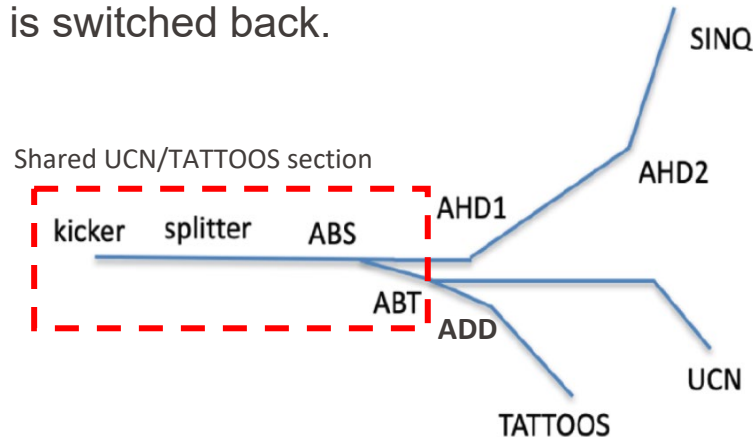
Component	Use for TATTOOS
ABS	Septum magnet. Diverts peeled beam to the UCN beamline (6.5° bend).
ABT	Dipole magnet. Diverts peeled beam from UCN line into TATTOOS (6.5° bend).
ADD	Dipole magnet. Bends beam by further 32°.
QDA1-3	Quadrupole triplet shapes beam on target.
SB1Y, SD1Y , SD2Y	Steering magnets. Steer the beam in vertical plane.
“Wobbler”	Two fast dipole magnets driven by AC current. Flattens beam footprint to homogenise target temperature (frequency ~ 30 Hz).
KHNX1, KHNY2	Jaw collimators acting in x and y planes.
KD1	Protection collimator for off-axis beams.

Complete TATTOOS beamline implemented in BDSIM.



- First section of TATTOOS beamline is shared with the UCN beamline.
→ TATTOOS and UCN cannot operate simultaneously.

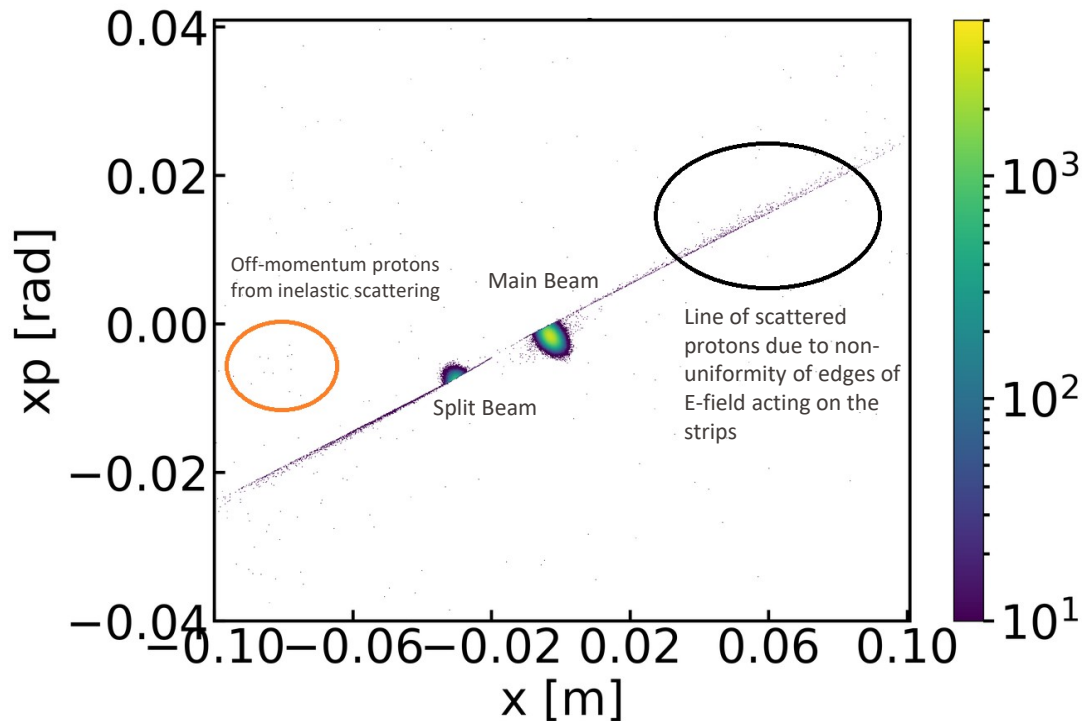
- To switch from TATTOOS to UCN operation and vice versa:
 - Retract splitter from beam while ABT changes its polarity.
 - Kicker is activated for usual UCN operation.
 - Polarity of ABT is switched back.



UCN/ TATTOOS alternating beam operation.

- Initial beam – Gaussian distribution.
- In BDSIM - wide range of physics processes included.
- Clear distinction between main and split beams.
- Various scattering processes visible.

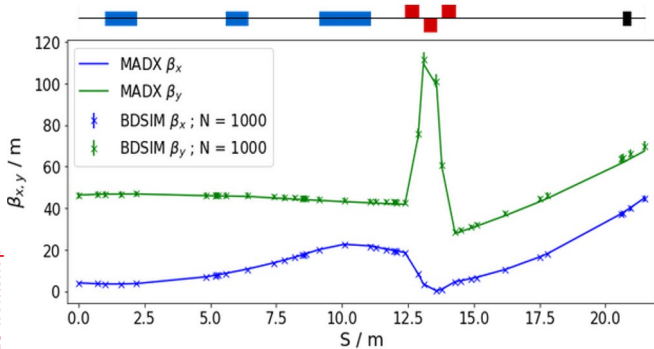
Horizontal phase space approximately 4 m downstream of splitter.



- Beamline lattice designed with TRANSPORT code.
- Beam optics from BDSIM benchmarked with MAD-X.
- Excellent agreement between BDSIM and MAD-X.
- Beam size and transmission calculated from splitter to target for different split beam currents.

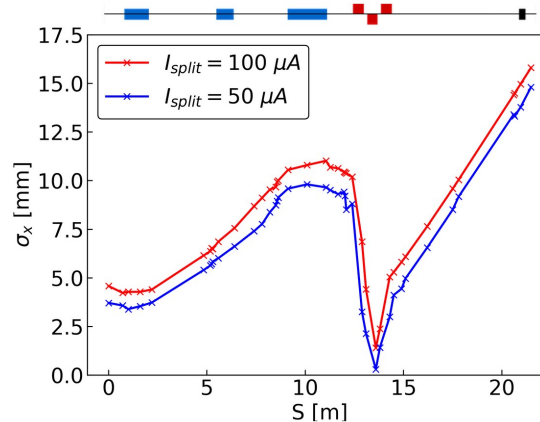
→ For a larger split beam current, beam size is larger as core of beam is more dense than halo → higher transmission to target

Benchmarking between BDSIM and MADX - beta function validation

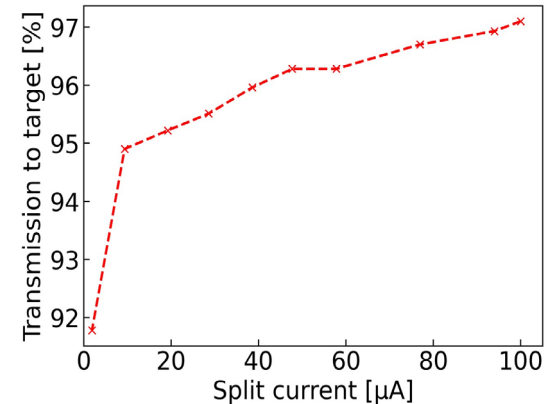


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Horizontal beam size along the TATTOOS beamline.

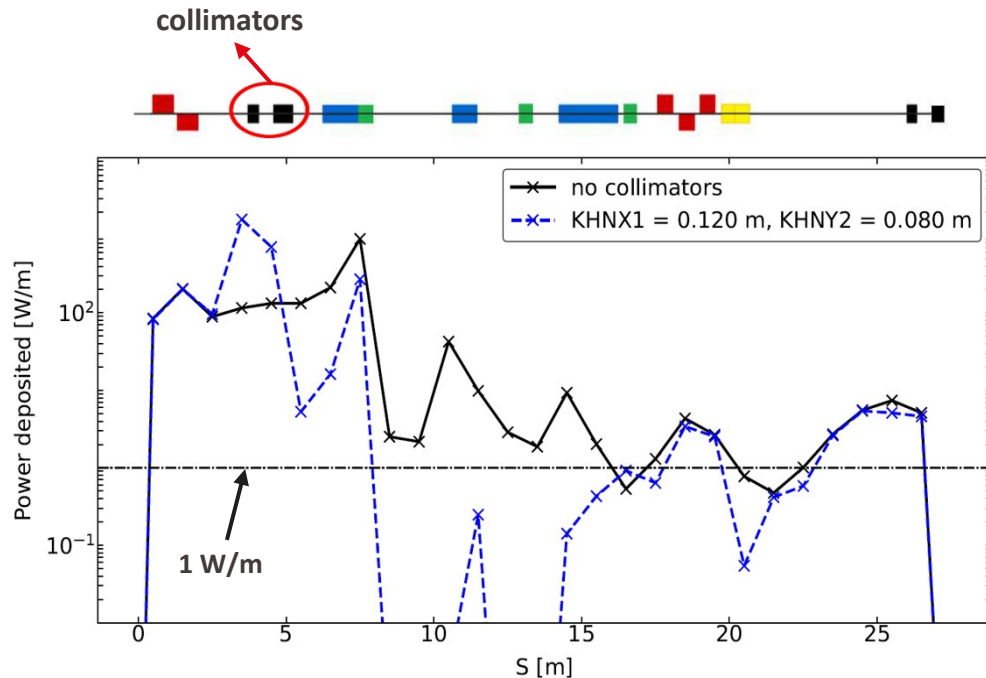


Transmission of split beam to target vs split beam current.



- Main source of beam losses: proton head on collisions with splitter strips → scattered particles lost downstream.
- Apertures of collimators KHNX1 and KHNY2 optimised to reduce power deposition.
- Power deposited is highest at collimators (indicated with an arrow).
- Lower power deposited when collimators present compared to when there are none.

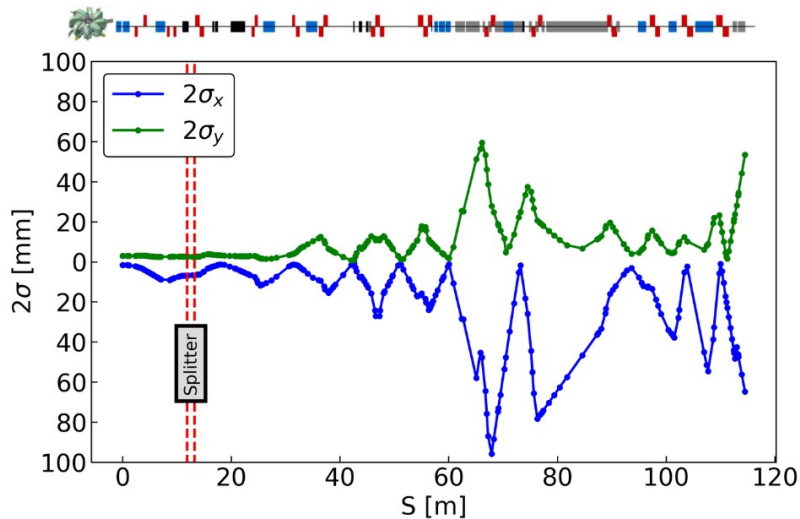
Power deposition from splitter to target with optimised collimator settings.



P-Channel Model and Beamline Optics

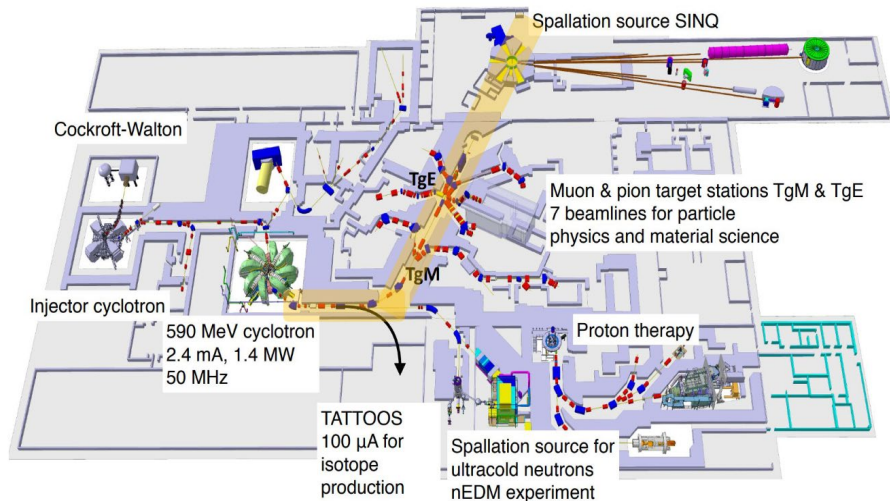
- P-channel simulated with BDSIM from extraction to SINQ.
- Goal: losses in P-Channel with splitter not significantly larger compared to current situation without splitter.

Beam sizes from extraction to SINQ target
(splitter location marked with dashed lines).

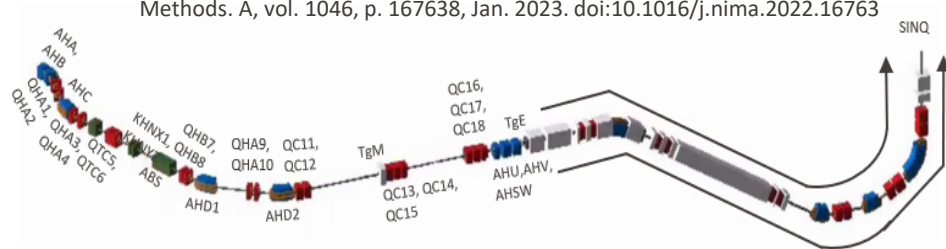


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HIPA facility and P-channel location.



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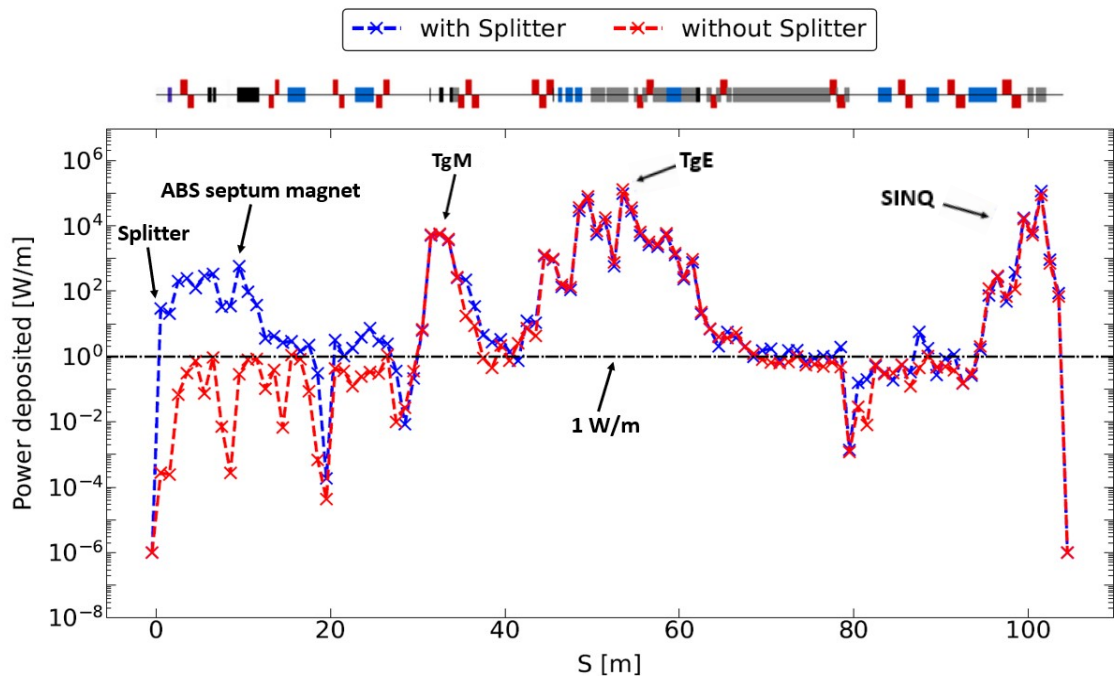


Overview of P-Channel beamline in BDSIM.

P-Channel Beam Loss Simulations

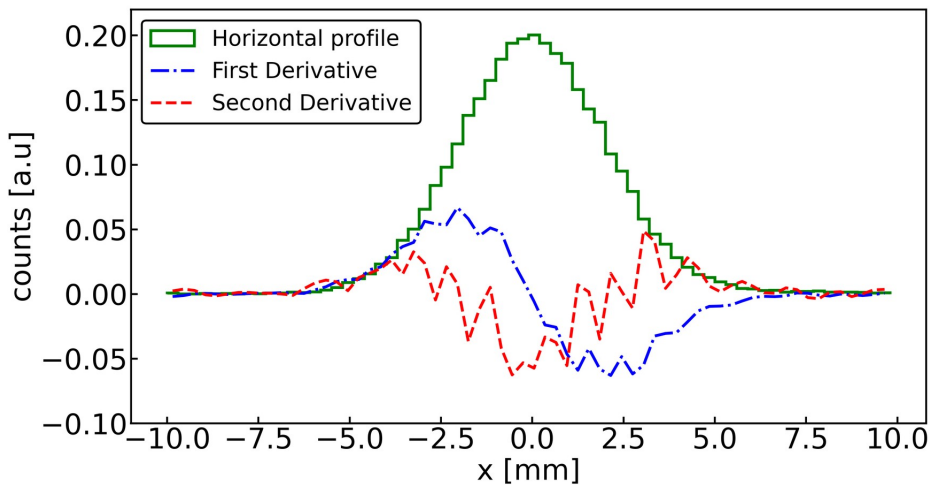
- Losses calculated in P-channel calculated with and without splitter.
- Losses up to TgM are larger with splitter, as expected → further studies needed.
- Up to SINQ → losses dominated by beam scattering on targets → losses with and without splitter are comparable.

P-Channel losses for a 2 mA beam with (100 μ A split current to TATTOOS) and without splitter.





- High intensity beams produce beam halo → beam losses.
- “Distribution method” : beam core-halo limit defined only by 2D phase space distribution.
- Typically : $\frac{m_{RMS}}{n_{RMS}}$ ($n = 1, m = 3$) with reference Gaussian distribution.
- However, split beam is not Gaussian – beam tail can be more or less significant compared to standard Gaussian.
- “Second derivative method”: beam core-halo limit defined by location of steepest density gradient, i.e. max. of 2nd derivative in 1D.
- Visually halo location corresponds to tails of the beam distribution.



Normalised horizontal beam profile after the ABS septum magnet (about 8 m downstream of the splitter).

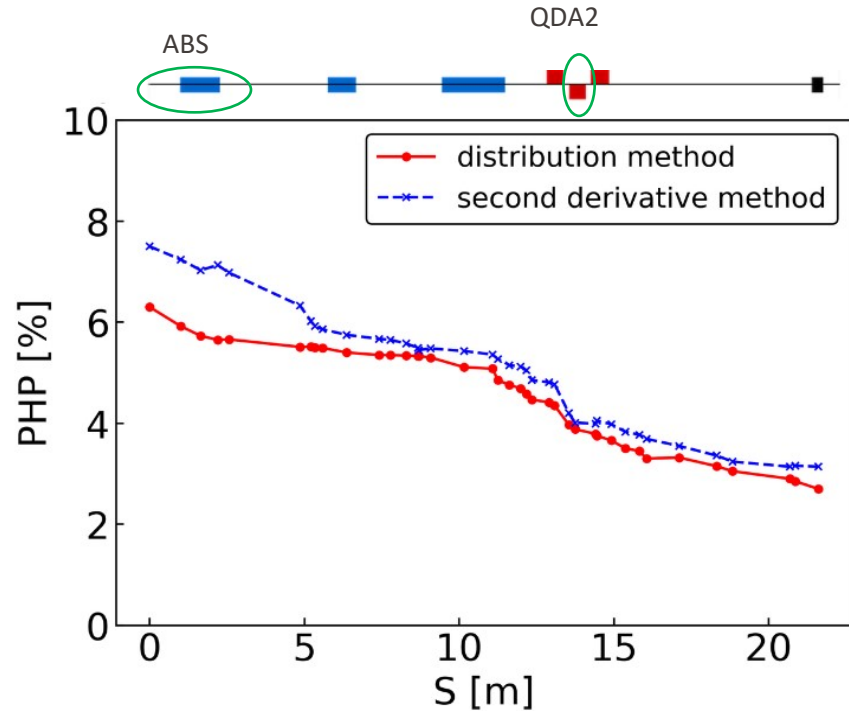
Beam Halo - Method Comparison

- Percentage of halo particles (PHP) :

$$PHP = 100 \cdot \frac{N_h}{N_c}$$

- Significant decrease in halo at :
 1. ABS septum magnet (where main and split beam separate).
 2. QDA2 quadrupole where phase advance changes abruptly.

→ These locations correspond well to peaks in power deposition.



Evolution of beam halo along the TATTOOS beamline for 100 μ A split beam current using two different methods.

- TATTOOS beamline lattice designed and simulated with BDSIM.
- Biggest challenge for TATTOOS beamline is high beam power → Extremely important to simulate losses along beamline.
- Power deposits both for TATTOOS and P-Channel calculated.
- Beam halo characterised using two independent methods.
- Simulations will serve as model predictions for future TATTOOS beamline measurements.
- Activation calculations to be performed in the splitter – TgM regions. Realistic shielding to be introduced and effects on power deposition to be determined.

Thank you!