



CLIC accelerator developments

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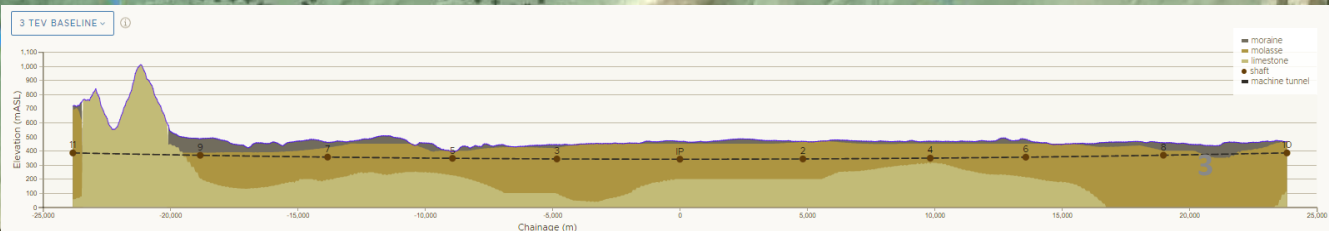
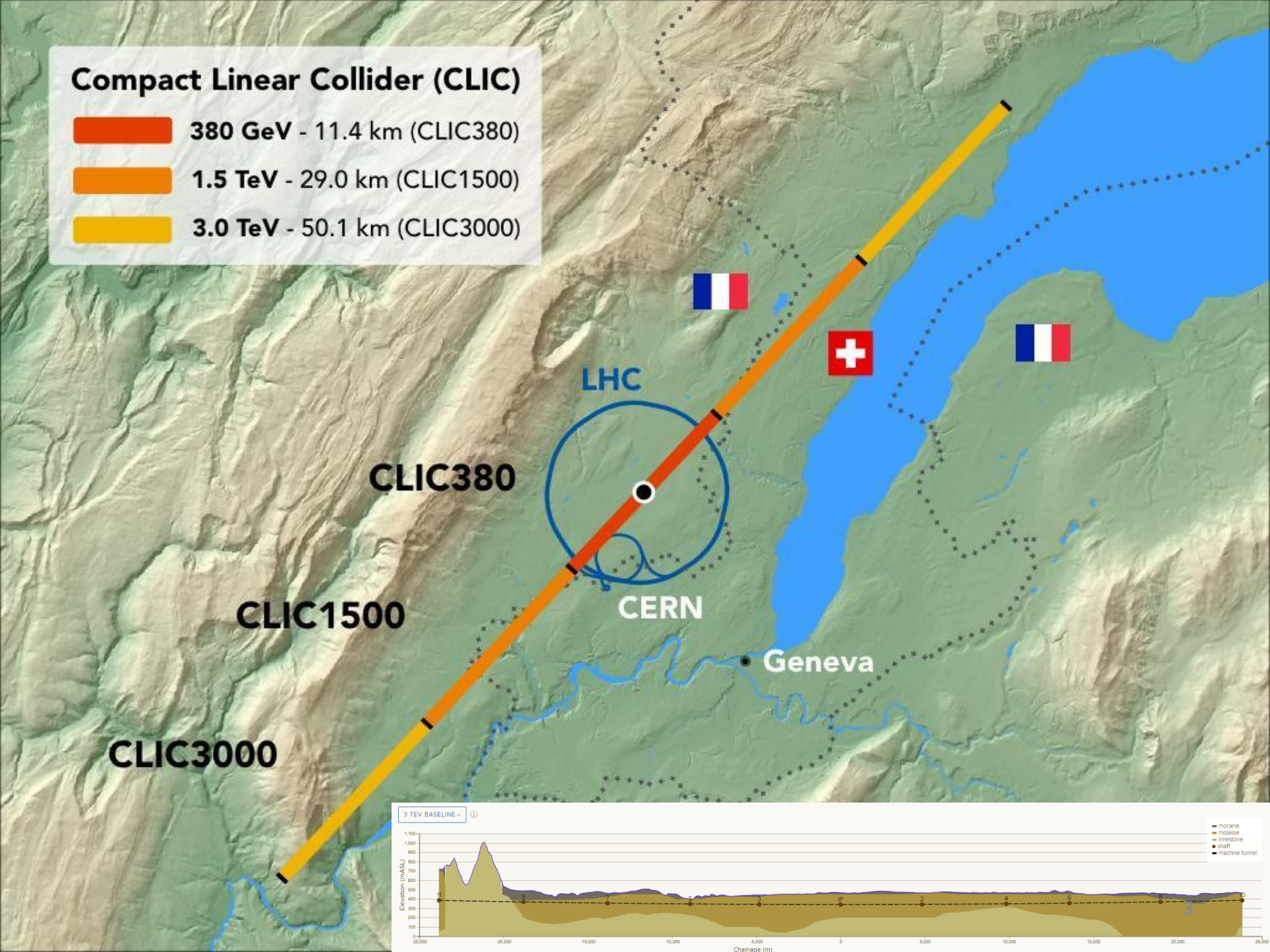
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Compact Linear Collider (CLIC)

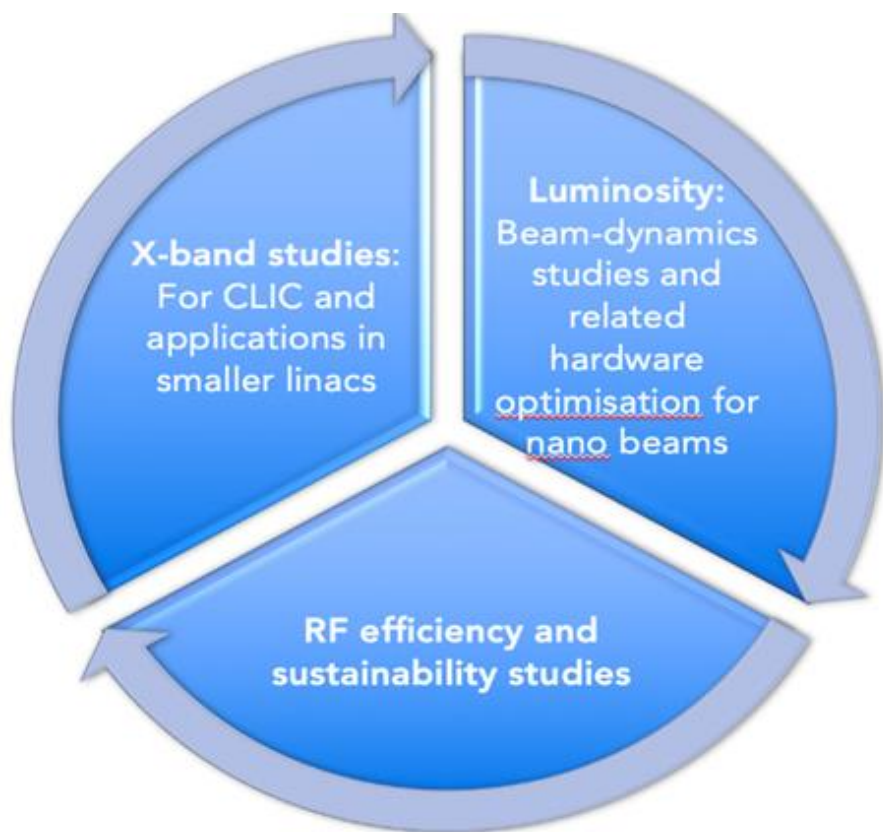
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-  1.5 TeV - 29.0 km (CLIC1500)
-  3.0 TeV - 50.1 km (CLIC3000)



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- Conceptual Design Report published in 2012
- **Project Implementation Plan released in 2018:** Cost: 5.9 BCHF for 380 GeV
- **Status report: Snowmass ‘white paper’ 2022:** <https://arxiv.org/abs/2203.0918>
- Comprehensive Detector and Physics studies – see other sessions
- **Preparing CLIC Readiness Report for 2026 European Strategy Update**

CLIC project readiness → 2025/26



CLIC Readiness Report as a step toward a TDR – for next European Strategy Update

Focusing on:

- **The X-band technology readiness for the 380 GeV CLIC initial phase**
- **Optimizing the luminosity at 380 GeV**
- **Improving the power efficiency for both the initial phase and at high energies**

Plans for CLIC Readiness Report

- **380 GeV + 2 TeV (single drive beam); consider also 250 GeV @ 100Hz**
- **Luminosity performance update, including beam dynamics, nanobeam studies, and positron production (all energies)**
- **Energy, power, sustainability ...**
- **Sustainability issues: running/energy models, CO₂-eq Life Cycle Assessment (LCA): construction + operation + decommissioning**
- **X-band progress: CLIC, smaller facilities, industry**
- **RF design optimization/development – including injectors, R&D for higher gradients - links to wakefield acceleration where relevant**
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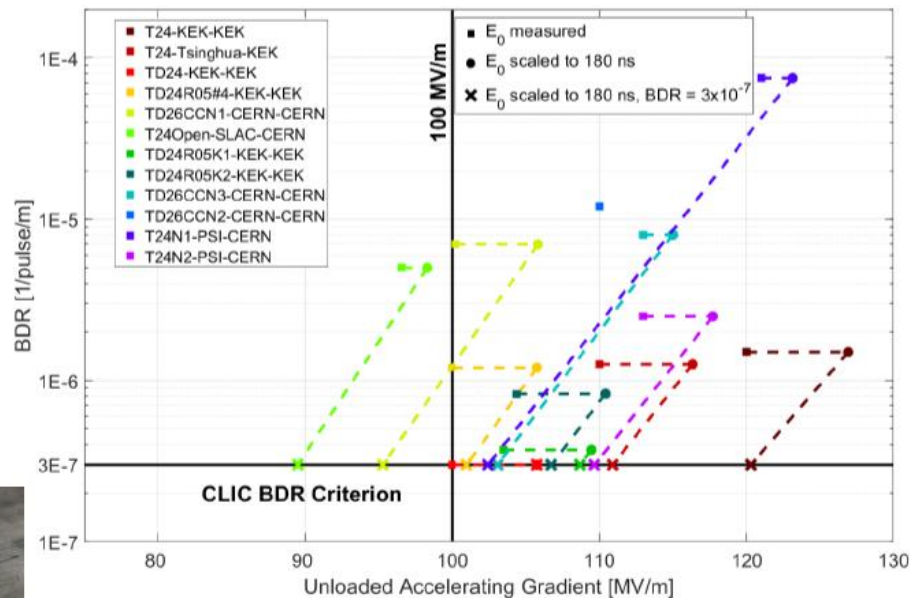
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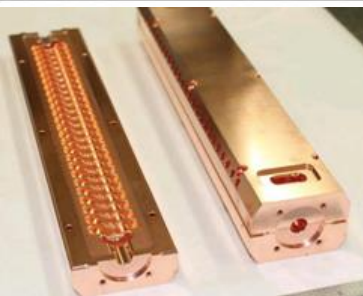
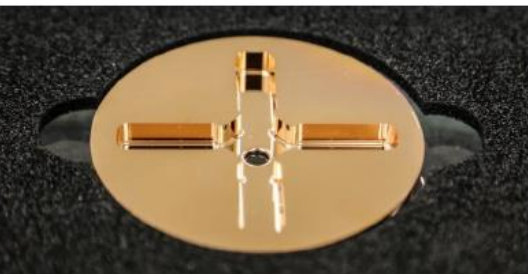
CLIC X-band structure development



Test structure

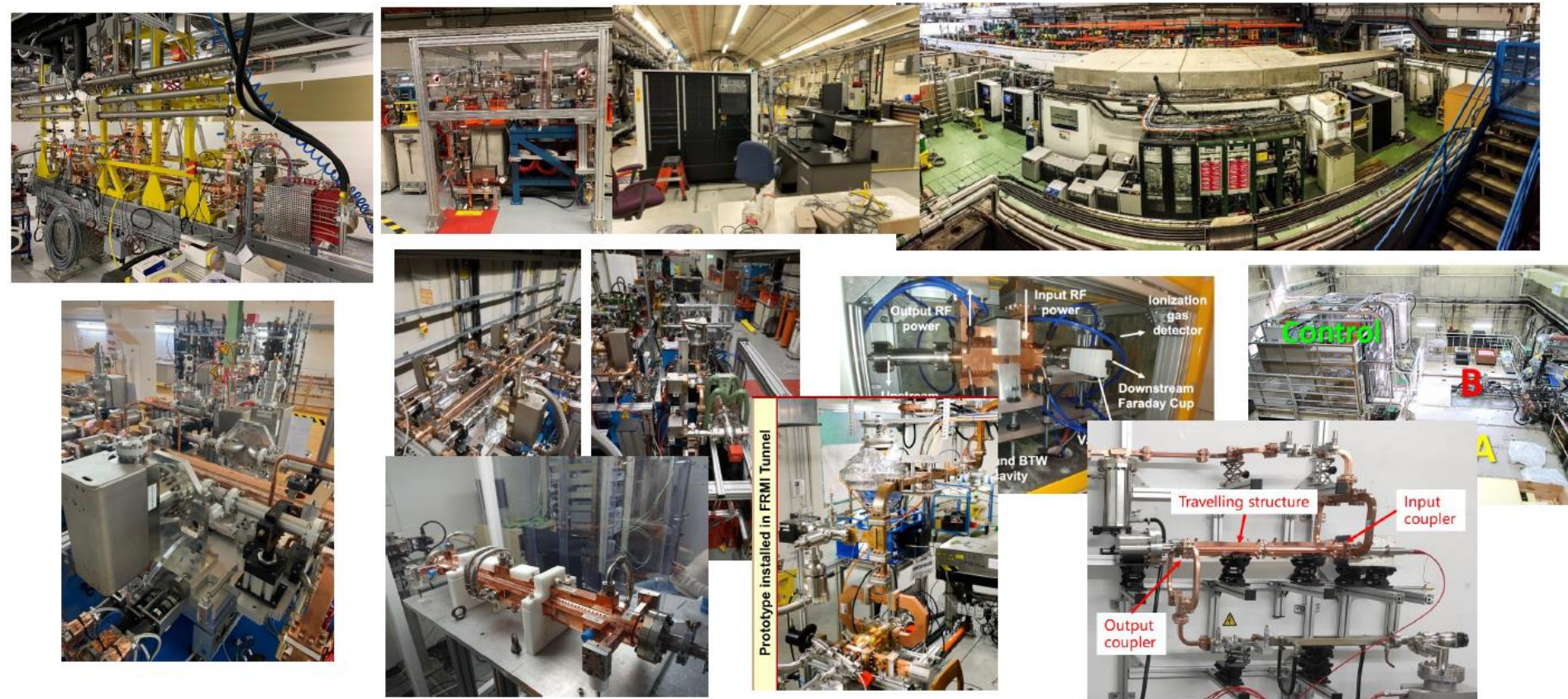


Achieved accelerating gradients in tests



- Emphasis on industrialising processes via collaboration with manufacturers
- Collaboration with C**3

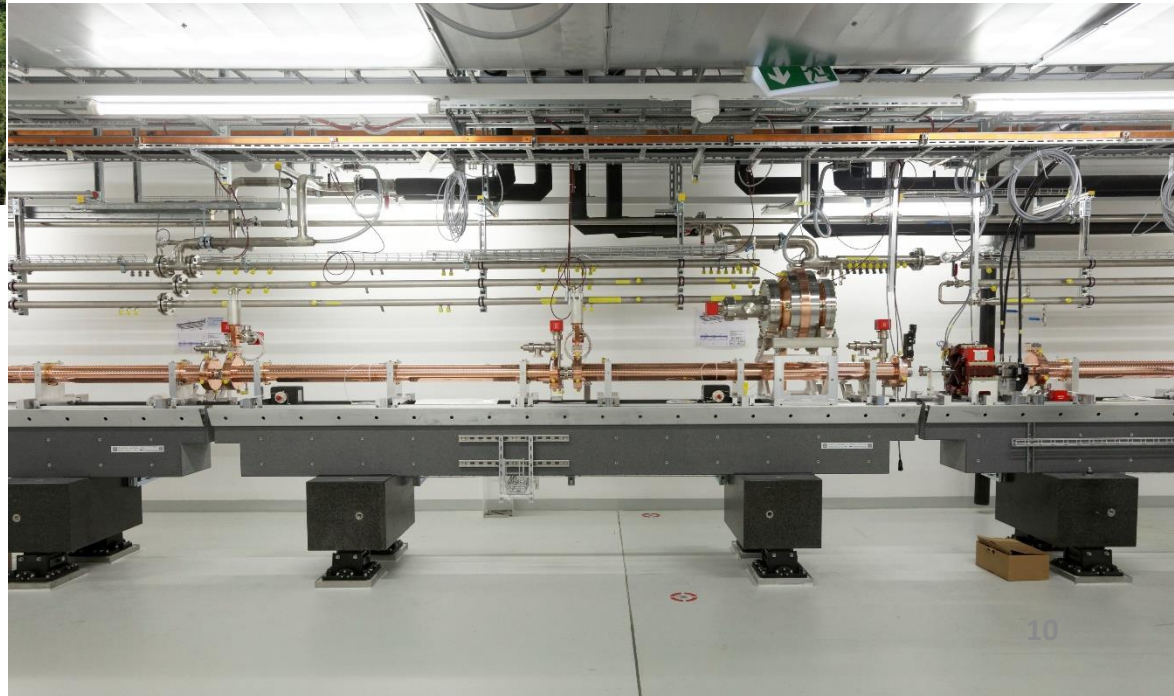
Global X-band deployment



- Trieste, FERMI: Linearizer
- SwissFEL: Linearizer and PolariX deflector
- SARI: Linearizer, deflectors
- CERN: XBox-1 with CLEAR, accelerator
- DESY: FLASHForward and FLASH2, PolariX deflectors
- SLAC: NLCTA, XTA
- Argonne: AWA
- KEK: NEXTEF
- CERN: XBox-2,3 and SBox
- Tsinghua: TPot
- Valencia: IFIC VBox
- Trieste: FRMI S-Band
- SLAC: Cryo-systems
- LANL: CERF-NM
- INFN Frascati: TEX
- Melbourne: AusBox
- TU Eindhoven: SMART*LIGHT, ICS
- Tsinghua: VIGAS, ICS
- CERN: AWAKE electron injector
- INFN Frascati: EuPRAXIA@SPARC LAB, accelerator
- DESY: SINBAD/ARES, deflector
- CHUV/CERN: DEFT, medical accelerator
- Daresbury: CLARA, linearizer
- Trieste: FERMI energy upgrade

SwissFEL

- 104 x 2m-long C-band structures
(beam \rightarrow 6 GeV @ 100 Hz)
- Similar μm -level tolerances
- Length \sim 800 CLIC structures



Industry X-band power sources

CPI:

50 MW: 15 tubes operating

59 MW high-efficiency

10 MW

Canon:

6 MW (~10 tubes)

8-10 MW high-efficiency

20 MW

BVERI: 50 MW (2 tubes)

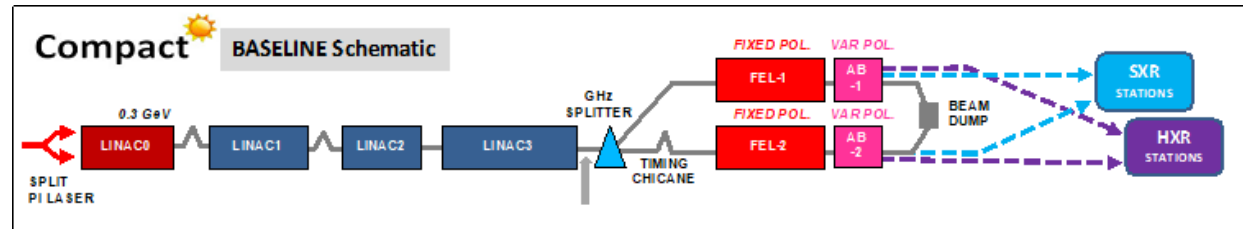
Hitachi: MgB₂ solenoid

→ Emphasis on higher efficiency



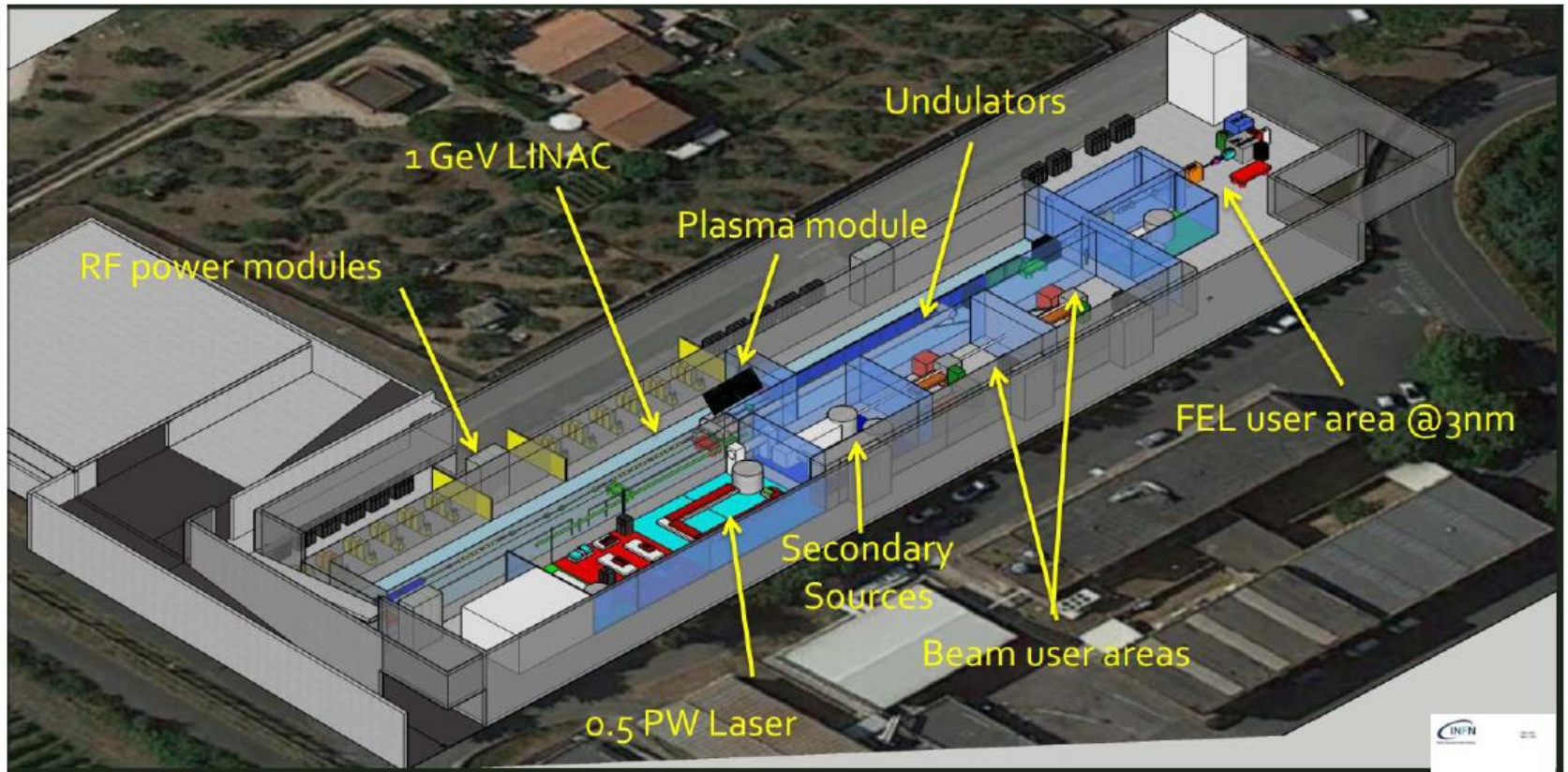
X-band technology applications

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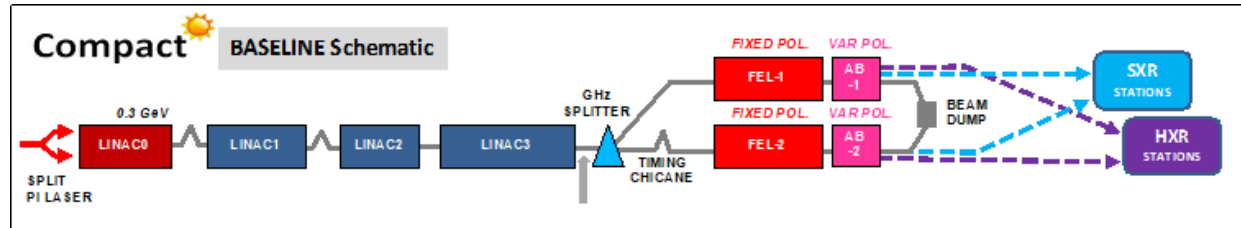
EuPraxia@SPARC_LAB

Combining 1 GeV x-band linac with beam driven plasma wake field acceleration

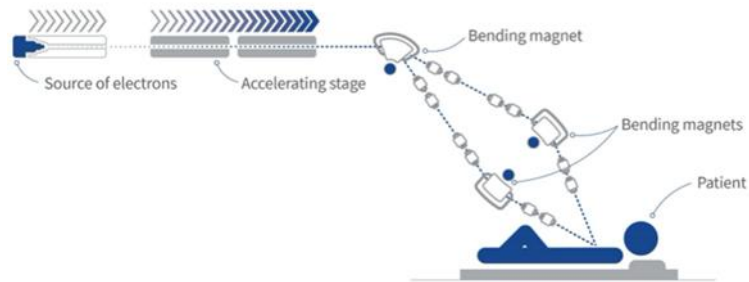


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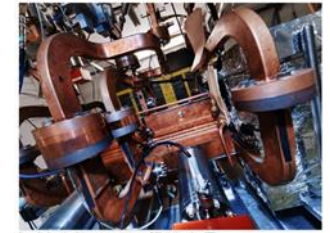


**VHEE FLASH therapy
(DEFT @ CHUV)**

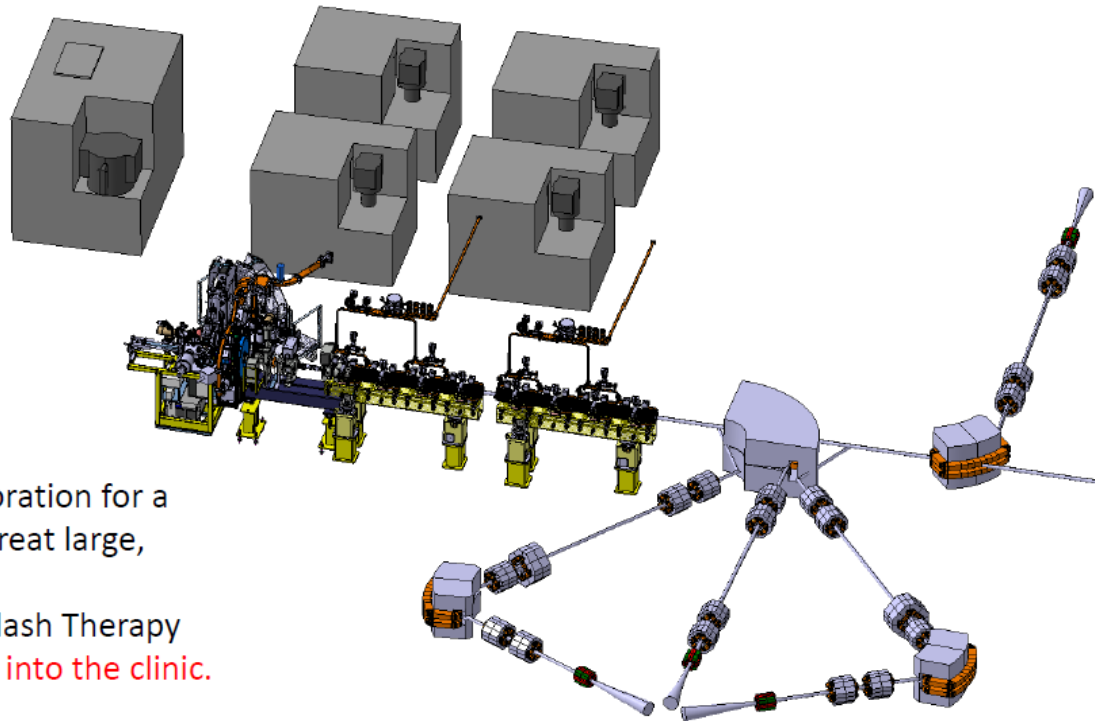


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The DEFT concept



S-band photo injector
CLIC type accelerating
modules

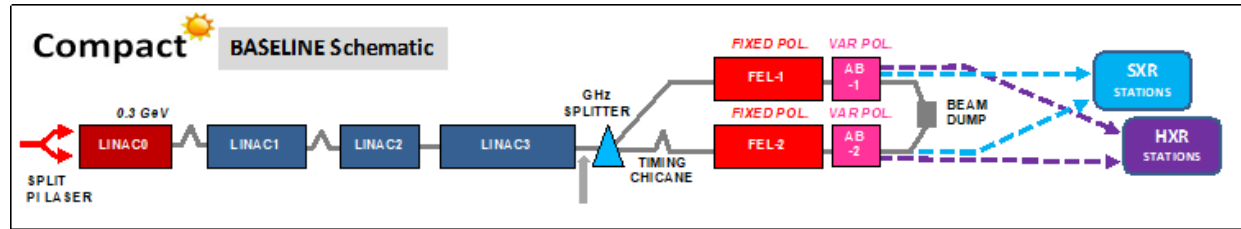
CHUV and CERN collaboration for a
VHEE FLASH facility to treat large,
deep-seated tumors.
DEFT – Deep Electron Flash Therapy
Taking VHEE *and* FLASH into the clinic.

Technology transfer to industry

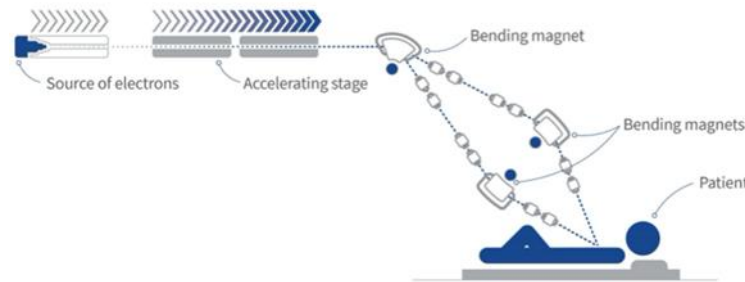
Treatment from three directions in < 0.1 s

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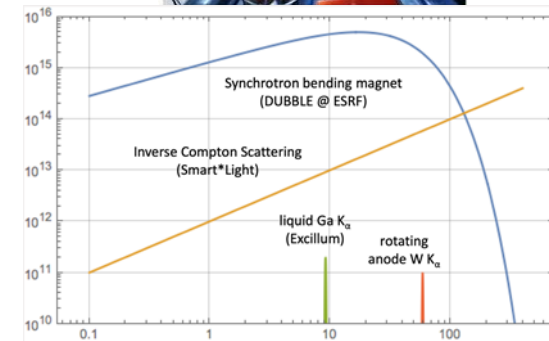
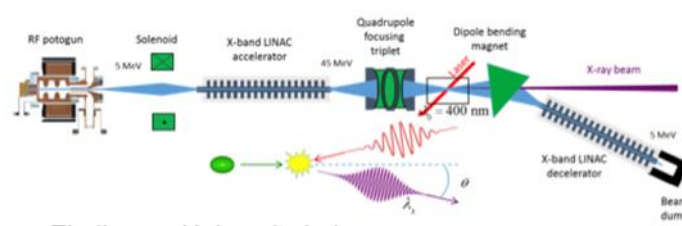


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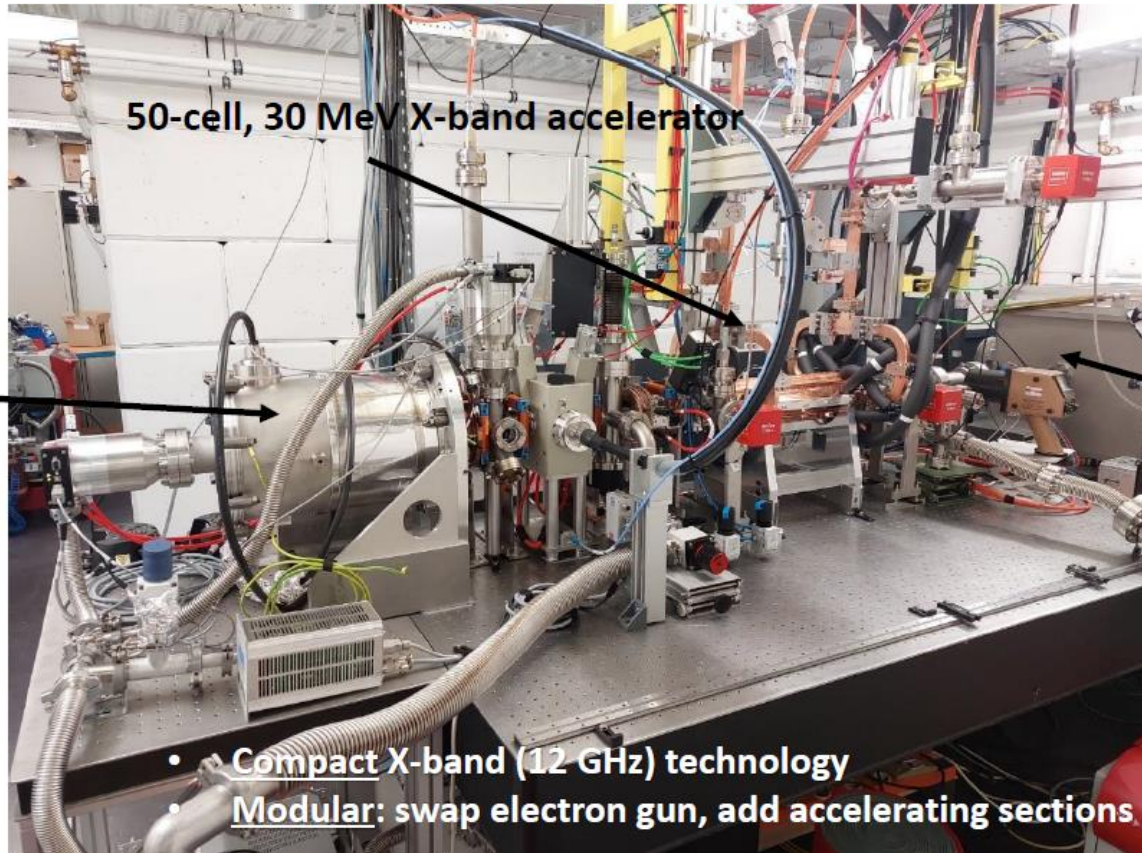
Inverse Compton Scattering source (Smart*Light)



Smart*Light: a linear-accelerator-based ICS source

a real tabletop instrument

100 keV DC
electron gun



50-cell, 30 MeV X-band accelerator

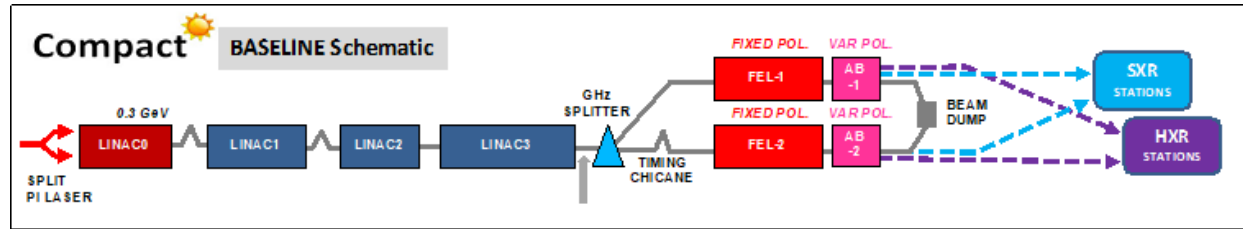
Under
commissioning

Interaction
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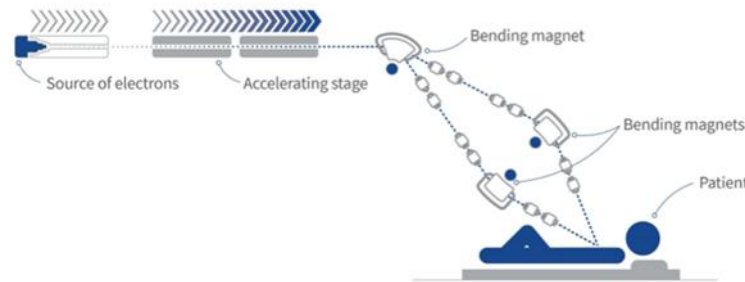
- Compact X-band (12 GHz) technology
- Modular: swap electron gun, add accelerating sections

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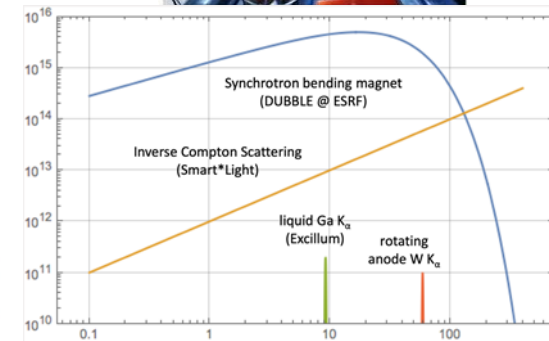
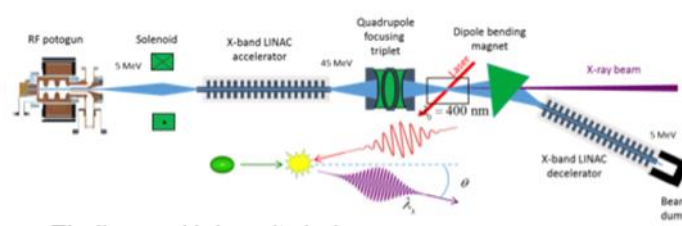


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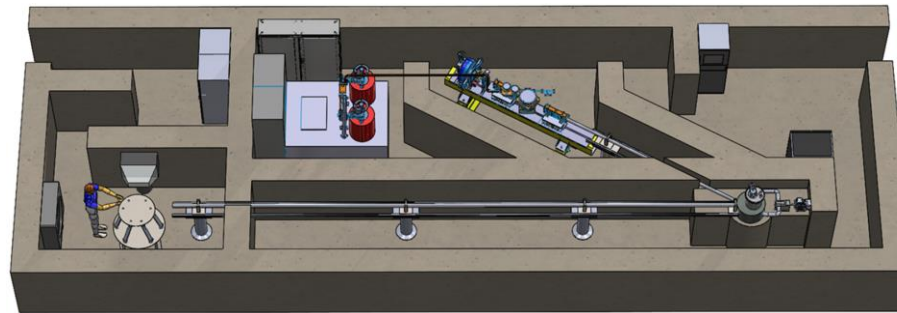
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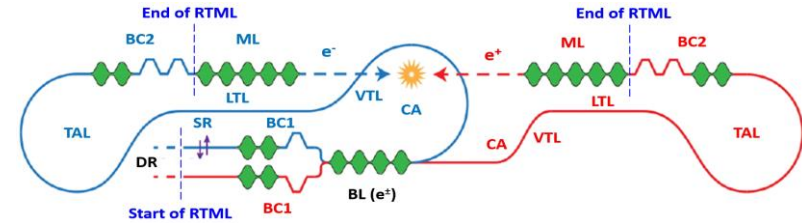
Neutron source (VULCAN)



Beam Dynamics: Injector improvements

Positron production:

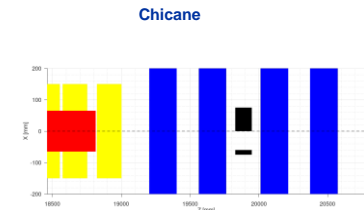
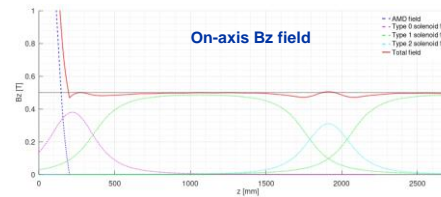
- Re-optimised using **realistic start-to-end simulation** reaches **positron yield: ~2**



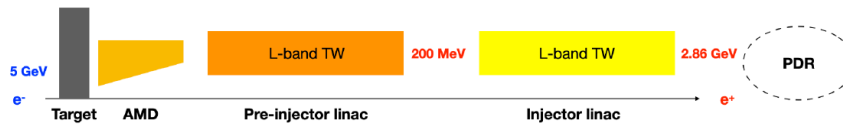
Rings-to-main-linac, RTML:

- Complete redesign of **Bunch compressor 2's X-band RF powering** and beam dynamics optimisation
 - Significant **power consumption reduction ~50%**

Beam Delivery System: studies at 7 TeV c.o.m



- Schematic layout (**new baseline**) of the CLIC positron source



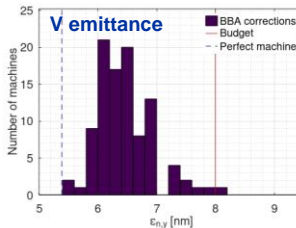
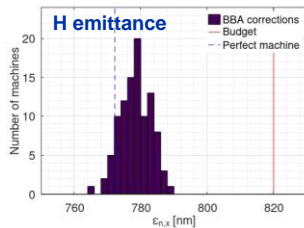
$$\text{Accepted } e^+ \text{ yield: } \eta = \frac{N_{e^+}^{\text{PDR}}}{N_{e^-}^{\text{Primary}}} = 2$$

Y. Zhao, Wednesday, 2pm (Beam Dynamics) and 4pm (Sources); E. Manosperti, Wednesday 2:40pm, 4:45pm

Beam Dynamics: tuning performance boost

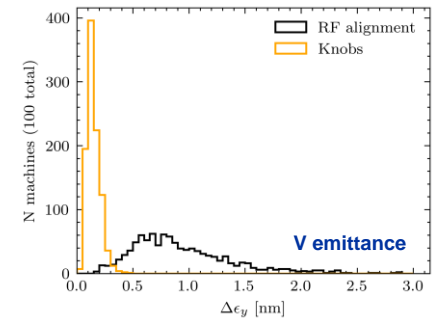
- Advanced tuning procedures for smaller emittance growth even with realistic imperfections:
 - In the linac, new emittance tuning knobs achieve < 1 nm (or even 0.5 nm!) emittance growth
 - In the RTML, emittance budgets are met with nearly 100% CL for both static and dynamic imperfections

RTML performance:
99% machines meet the emittance budgets



Linac tuning:

- With a set of emittance tuning knobs it is possible to reduce the emittance growth down to < 0.5 nm



- Emittance tuning knobs provide additional margin for the emittance budget.
- Another set of the emittance tuning knobs can be used to assist the RF alignment.

Y. Zhao, Wednesday, 2pm

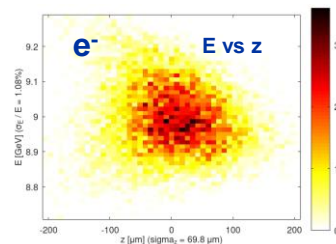
A. Pastushenko, Wednesday, 2:20pm

Parameter	Symbol	Unit	Value
Bunch length	σ_z	μm	70.4
Energy spread	σ_E/E	%	1.07
Horizontal normalised emittance	$\epsilon_{n,x}$	nm	773.8
Vertical normalised emittance	$\epsilon_{n,y}$	nm	5.40

e^-

Parameter	Symbol	Unit	Value
Bunch length	σ_z	μm	68.6
Energy spread	σ_E/E	%	1.08
Horizontal normalised emittance	$\epsilon_{n,x}$	nm	763.1
Vertical normalised emittance	$\epsilon_{n,y}$	nm	5.08

e^+



CLIC contributions to ATF2

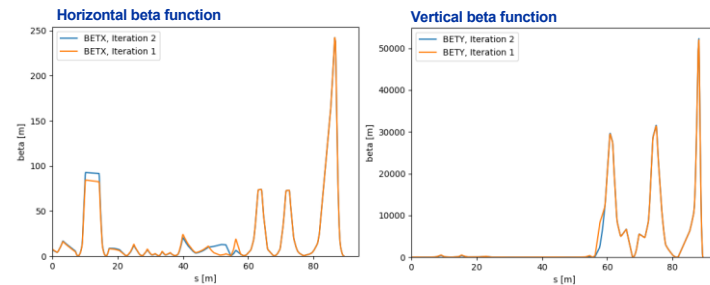
First measurements after COVID in Dec 2023: Ultra-low β^* studies

- Reviving the tuning procedures
- Including octupole knobs

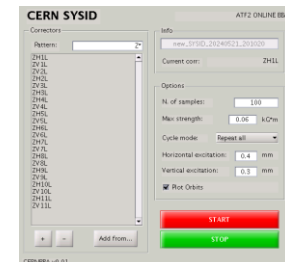
Automatic Beam-Based Alignment and Flight Simulator

- Reviving EXT line correction
- BBA extended to Linac
- Plan to extend to Damping Ring
- New Flight Simulator development started in Python

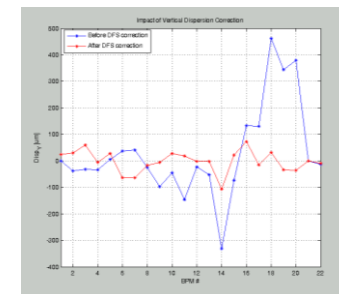
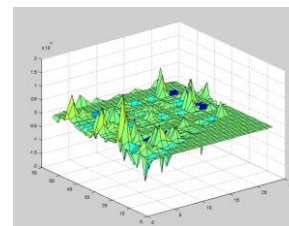
A. Pastushenko, Tuesday, 11:45am



ATF2 ultra-low β^* optics in Dec 2023



Automatic steering



Dispersion correction in the linac

Sustainability: towards a Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) for LCs

What is the carbon intensity of energy in ~2050 (operation):

- 50% nuclear and 50% renewable give ~10-15g/kWh
- France summer-months are today ~40g/kWh
- ILC has a green implementation concept including compensation and contracting renewable energy
- Reductions predicted ([LINK](#))

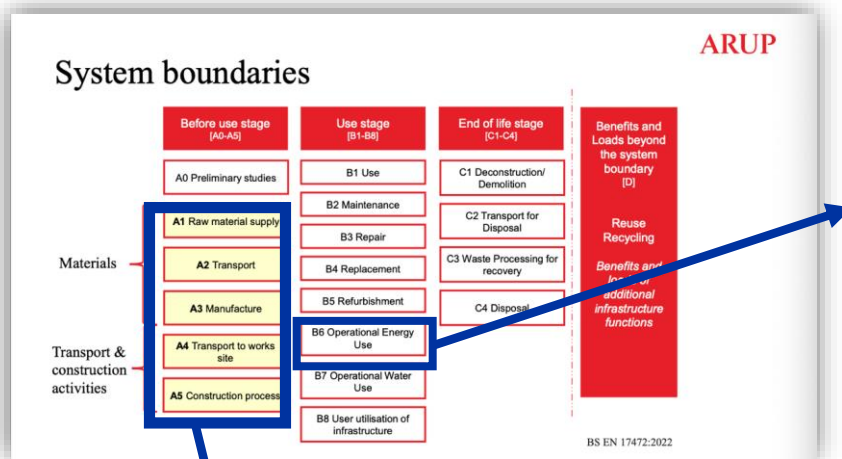
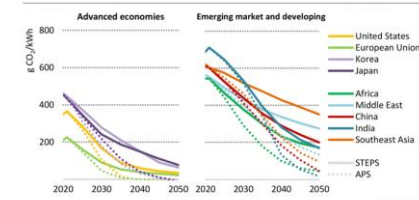


Figure 6.14 - Average CO₂ intensity of electricity generation for selected regions by scenario, 2020-2050

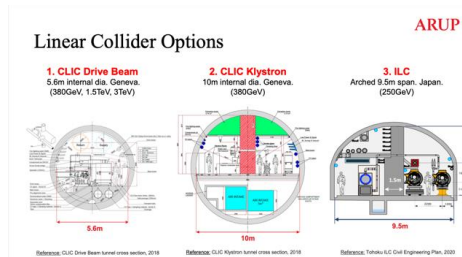


CO₂ intensity of electricity generation varies widely today, but all regions see a decline in future years and many have declared net zero emissions ambitions by around 2050

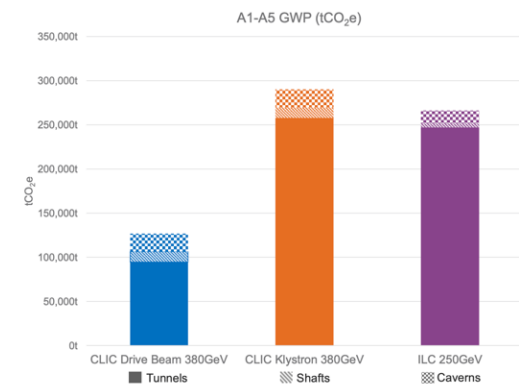
LCA report for Civil Engineering:

[LINK](#)

Addressing the Civil Engineering impact



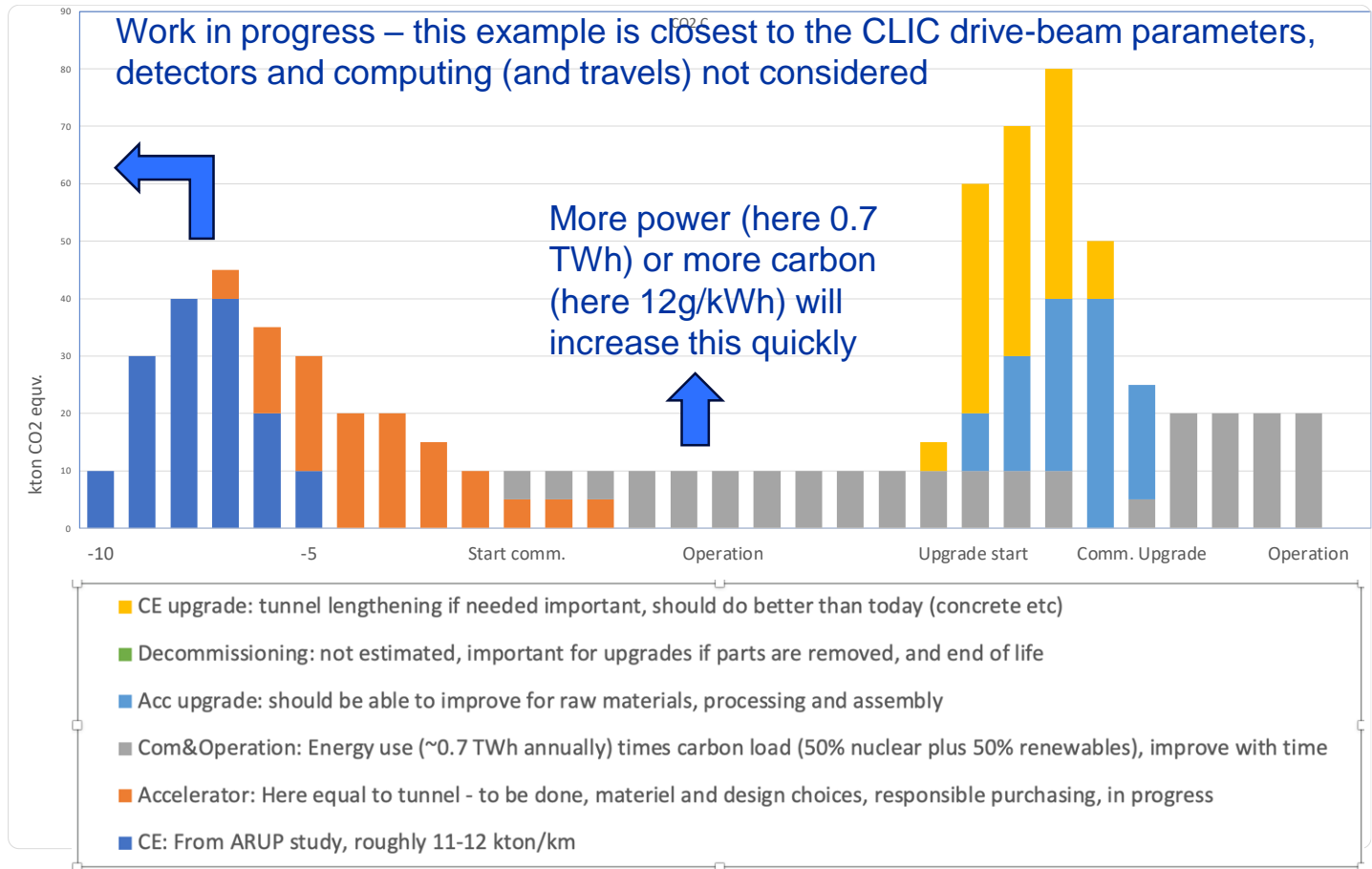
Around 11-12 kton/km main linac (CLIC DB and ILC)



Towards Carbon Accounting with LCA

This plot (blue part) is for 11 km of tunnel, scales with length (ref. CE study prev. page)

Next working on machine parts (orange), here assumed hardware = civil engineering impact



Summary

**CLIC technology is being advanced via application projects:
FELs, Inverse Compton Scattering, medical, neutron source ...**

**Beam dynamics developments are improving performance:
Positron sources, RTMLs, linac tuning, nanobeams @ ATF2**

**Life-Cycle Assessment studies are making progress:
Civil engineering → accelerator components + operations**

Preparing CLIC Readiness Report for European Strategy Update 2026

Thanks to CLIC colleagues

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Vlad Musat, Steinar Stapnes, Laurence Wroe**

CLIC Collaborations

<https://clic.cern>

CLIC accelerator:

- ~50 institutes from 28 countries
- CLIC accelerator studies, design and development
- Construction + operation of CLIC Test Facility, CTF3

CLIC detector and physics (CLICdp):

- 30 institutes from 18 countries
- Physics prospects & simulation studies
- Detector optimisation + R&D for CLIC

+ strong participation in the CALICE
and FCAL Collaborations and in AIDA-
2020/AIDAinnova

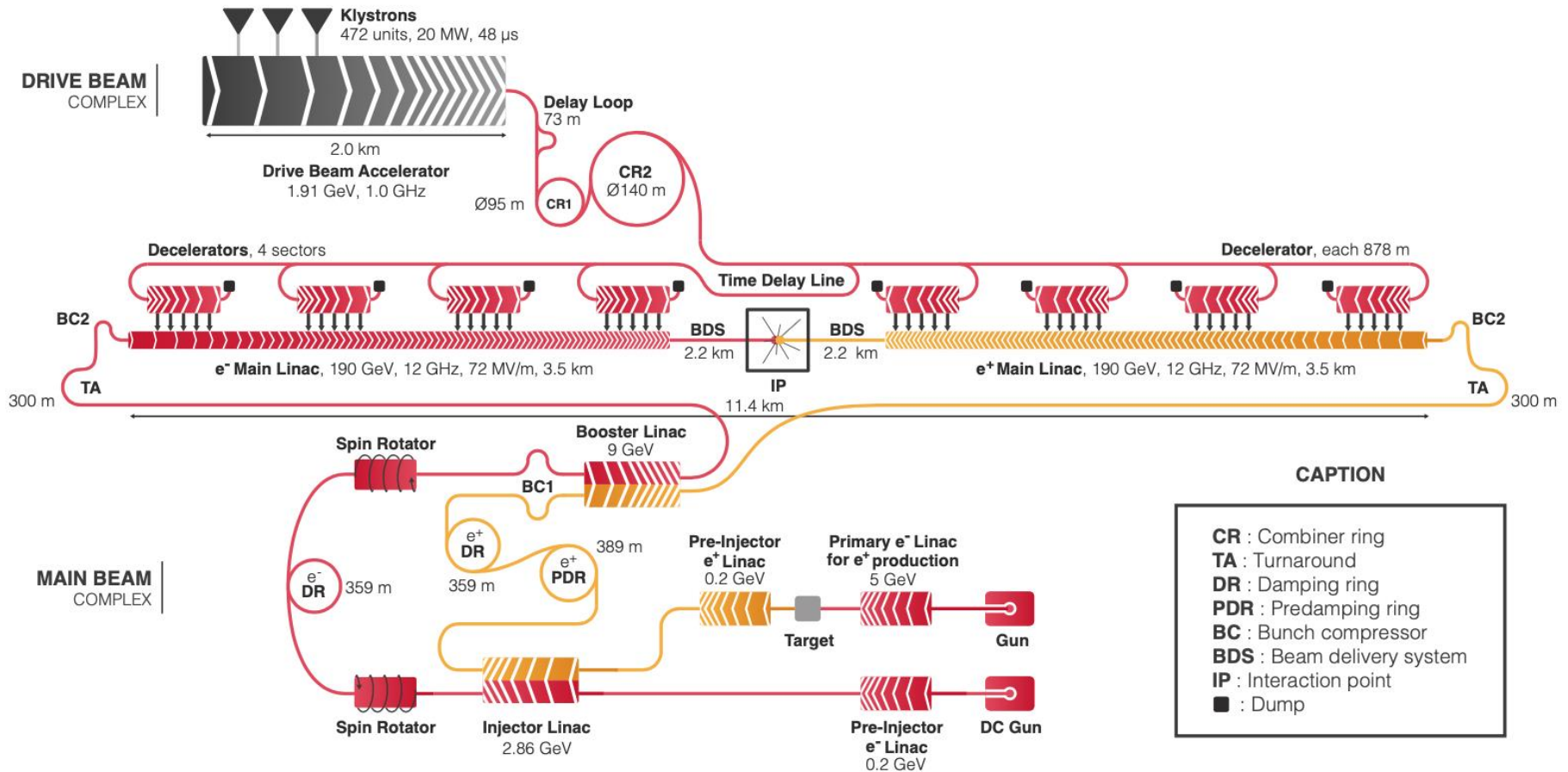


Extra material

CLIC parameters

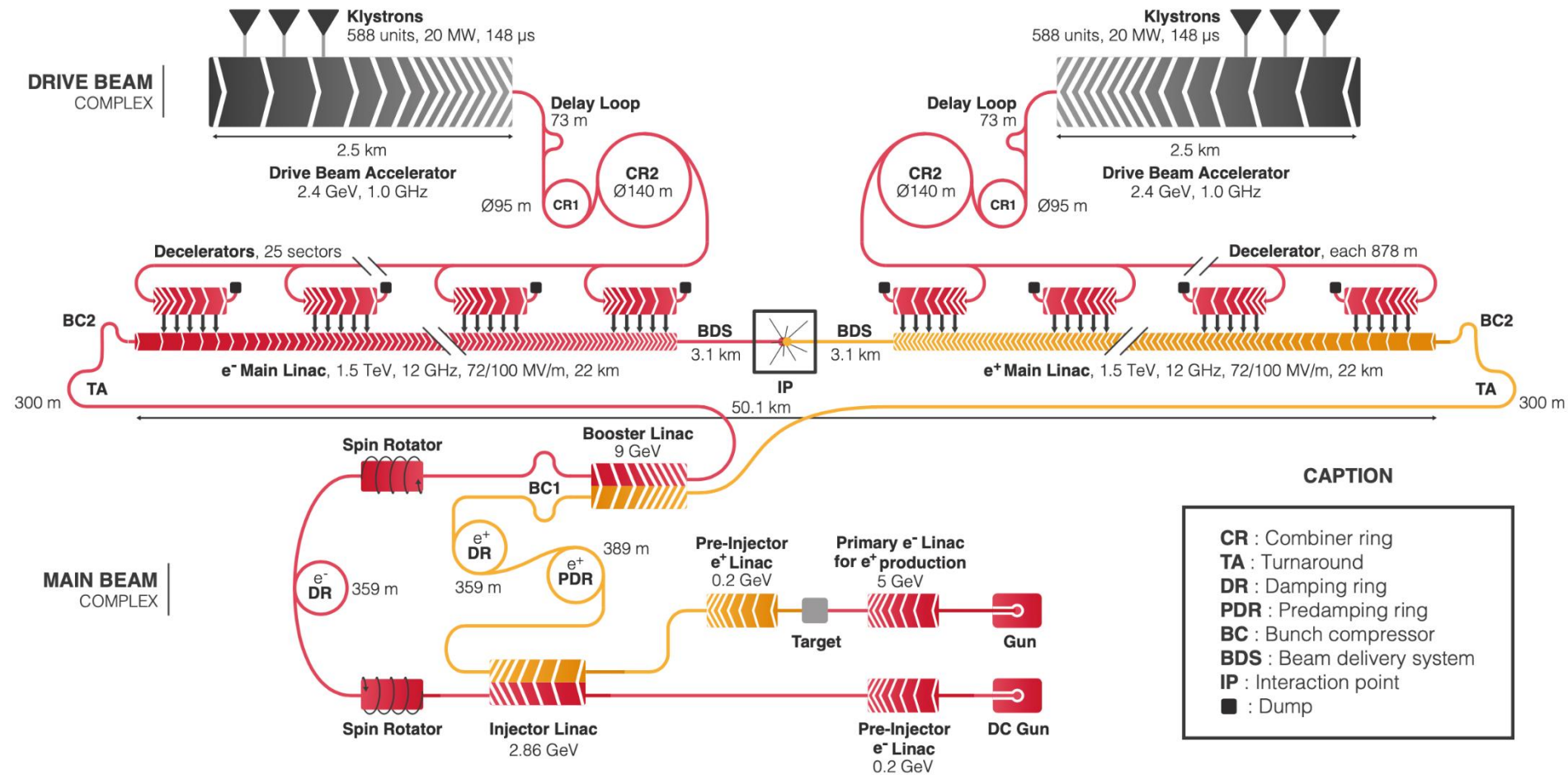
Parameter	Unit	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
Centre-of-mass energy	GeV	380	1500	3000
Repetition frequency	Hz	50	50	50
Nb. of bunches per train		352	312	312
Bunch separation	ns	0.5	0.5	0.5
Pulse length	ns	244	244	244
Accelerating gradient	MV/m	72	72/100	72/100
Total luminosity	$1 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	2.3	3.7	5.9
Lum. above 99 % of \sqrt{s}	$1 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	1.3	1.4	2
Total int. lum. per year	fb^{-1}	276	444	708
Main linac tunnel length	km	11.4	29.0	50.1
Nb. of particles per bunch	1×10^9	5.2	3.7	3.7
Bunch length	μm	70	44	44
IP beam size	nm	149/2.0	$\sim 60/1.5$	$\sim 40/1$
Final RMS energy spread	%	0.35	0.35	0.35
Crossing angle (at IP)	mrad	16.5	20	20

CLIC 380 GeV layout



Baseline electron polarisation $\pm 80\%$

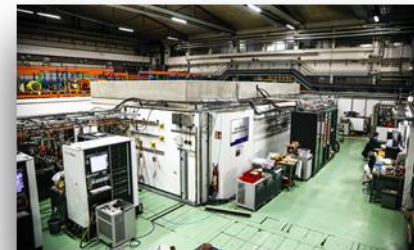
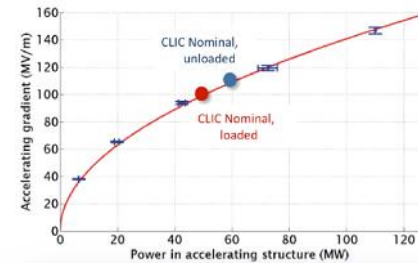
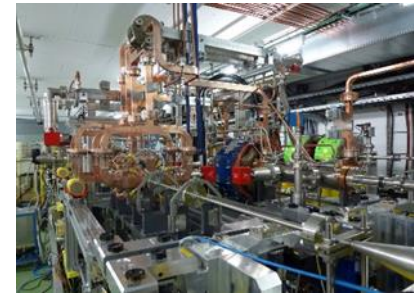
CLIC 3 TeV layout



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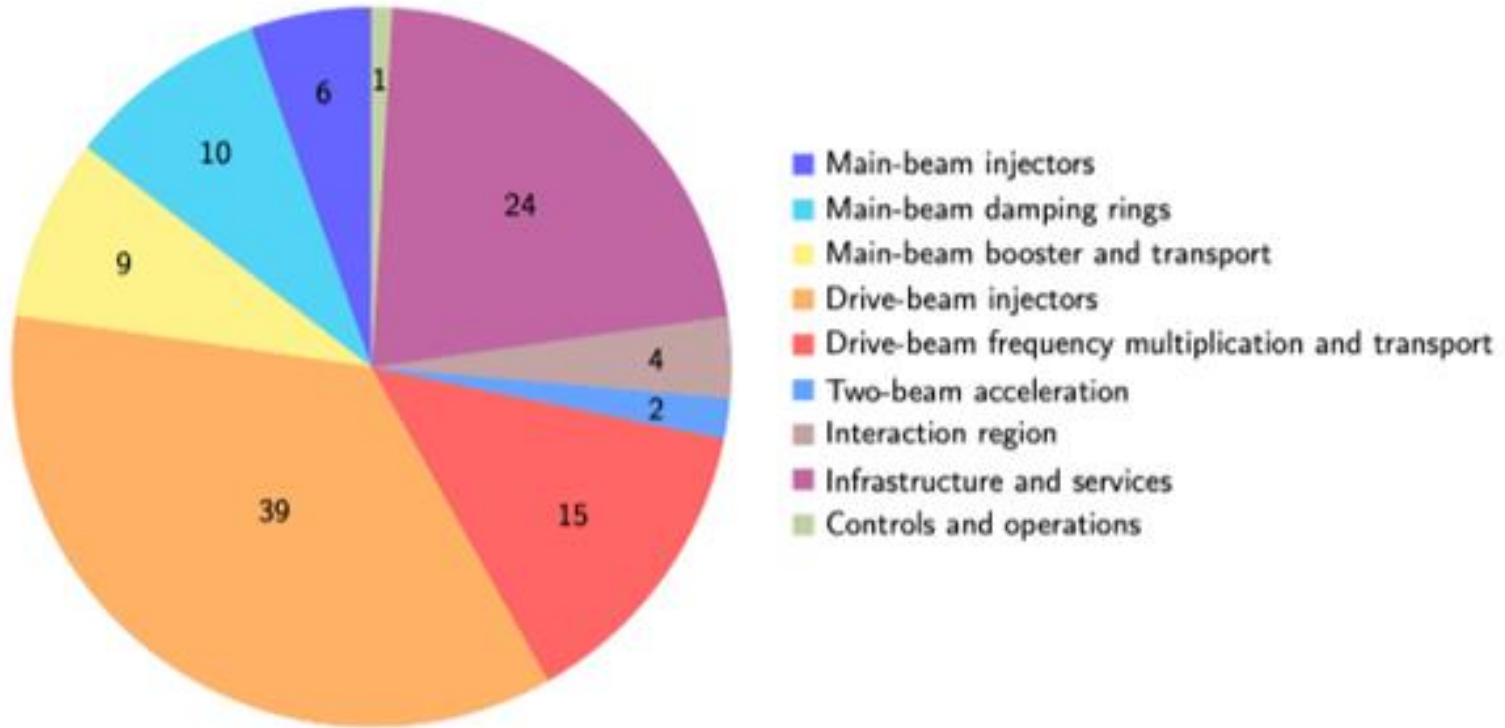
Accelerator challenges

1. High-current drive beam bunched at 12 GHz
2. Power transfer and main-beam acceleration
3. Towards 100 MV/m gradient in main-beam cavities
4. Alignment and stability ('nano-beams')



- CTF3 (CLIC Test Facility) addressed all drive-beam production issues
- Other critical technical systems (alignment, damping rings, beam delivery, etc.) addressed via design and/or test-facility demonstrations
- X-band technology developed and verified with prototyping, test-stands, and application in smaller-scale systems
- Two C-band XFELS (SACLA and SwissFEL) now operational: large-scale demonstrations of normal-conducting, high-frequency, low-emittance linacs

Power + energy: 380 GeV



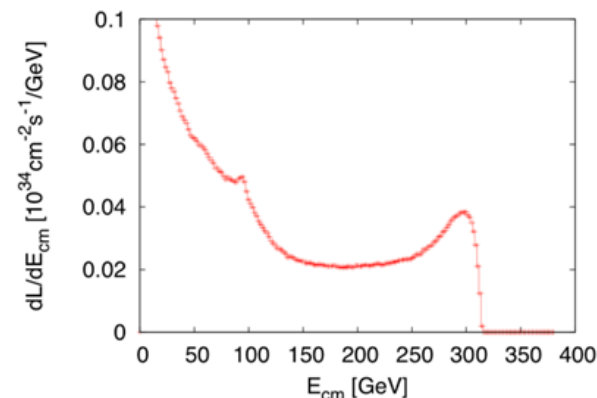
Power = 110 MW

Annual energy consumption = 0.6 TWh (~ 50% of current CERN energy use)

**Further savings possible: high-efficiency klystrons, permanent magnets ...
Looking also more closely at 1.5 and 3 TeV numbers**

Luminosity studies

- Z-pole performance (first stage):
L (default) $2.3 \times 10^{32} \rightarrow 0.4 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ with accel. configured for Z running
- Gamma-gamma collisions luminosity (example):
- Luminosity margins:
baseline 380 GeV design $L = 1.5 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
'perfect' machine > DR $L = 4.3 \times 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
→ significant margin for improvement
- Luminosity upgrades:
doubling frequency (50 Hz → 100 Hz)
→ double the luminosity, with power +50 MW and cost ~5% increases

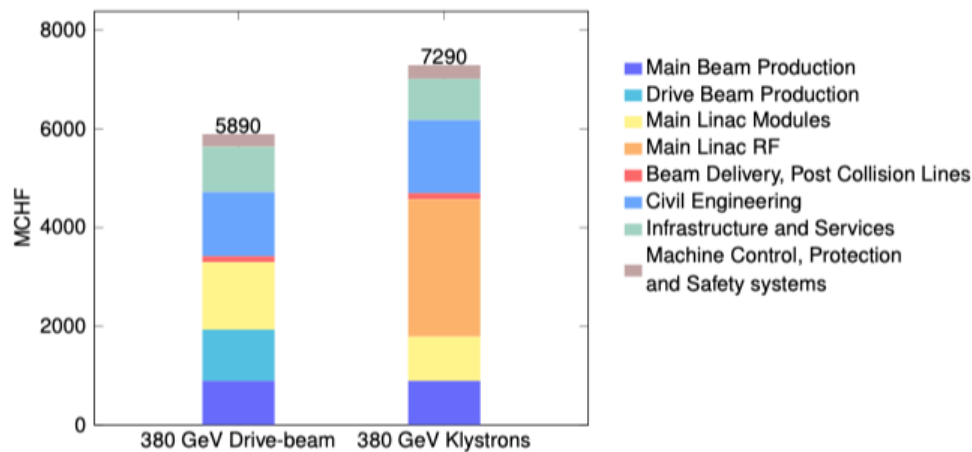


CLIC note: <http://cds.cern.ch/record/2687090>

Cost (380 GeV)

Accelerator re-costed bottom-up

- Methods and costings validated at review November 2018 – similar to LHC, ILC, CLIC CDR
- Technical uncertainty and commercial uncertainty estimated



Domain	Sub-Domain	Cost [MCHF]	
		Drive-Beam	Klystron
Main Beam Production	Injectors	175	175
	Damping Rings	309	309
	Beam Transport	409	409
Drive Beam Production	Injectors	584	—
	Frequency Multiplication	379	—
	Beam Transport	76	—
Main Linac Modules	Main Linac Modules	1329	895
	Post decelerators	37	—
Main Linac RF	Main Linac Xband RF	—	2788
Beam Delivery and Post Collision Lines	Beam Delivery Systems	52	52
	Final focus, Exp. Area	22	22
	Post-collision lines/dumps	47	47
Civil Engineering	Civil Engineering	1300	1479
	Electrical distribution	243	243
	Survey and Alignment	194	147
	Cooling and ventilation	443	410
Infrastructure and Services	Transport / installation	38	36
	Safety system	72	114
	Machine Control, Protection and Safety systems	146	131
Machine Control, Protection and Safety systems	Machine Control Infrastructure	146	131
	Machine Protection	14	8
	Access Safety & Control System	23	23
Total (rounded)		5890	7290

CLIC 380 GeV Drive-Beam based: 5890^{+1470}_{-1270} MCHF;

CLIC 380 GeV Klystron based: 7290^{+1800}_{-1540} MCHF.

Cost - II

Other cost estimates:

Construction:

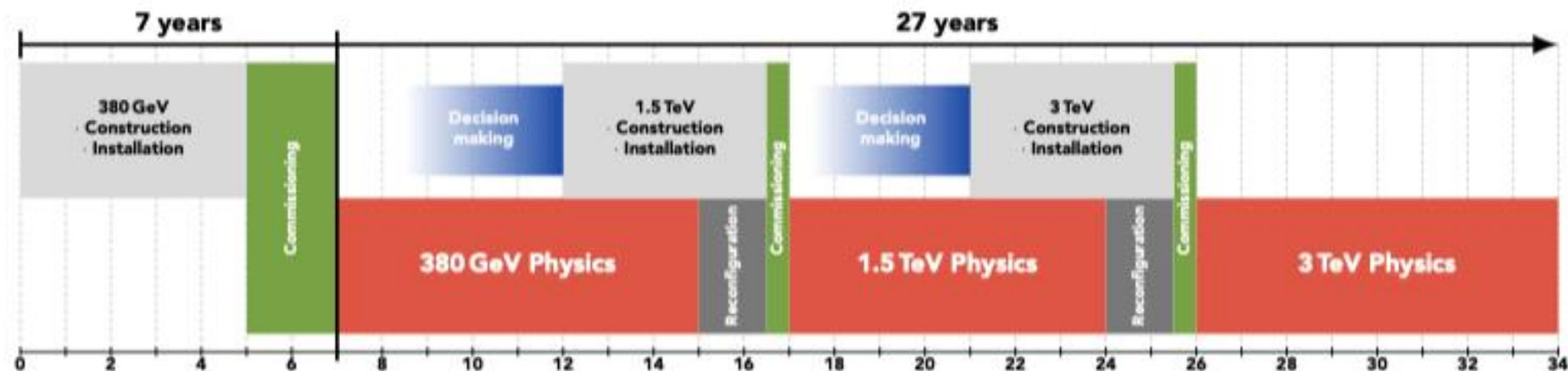
- Labour estimate: ~11500 FTE for 380 GeV
- From 380 GeV to 1.5 TeV, add 5.1 BCHF (drive-beam RF upgrade and lengthening of linacs)
- From 1.5 TeV to 3 TeV, add 7.3 BCHF (second drive-beam complex and lengthening of linacs)

Operation:

- 116 MCHF consumables + spares (see below)
- Energy costs
 - 1% for accelerator hardware parts (e.g. modules).
 - 3% for the RF systems, taking the limited lifetime of these parts into account.
 - 5% for cooling, ventilation and electrical infrastructures etc. (includes contract labour and consumables)

These replacement/operation costs represent 116 MCHF per year.

CLIC timeline



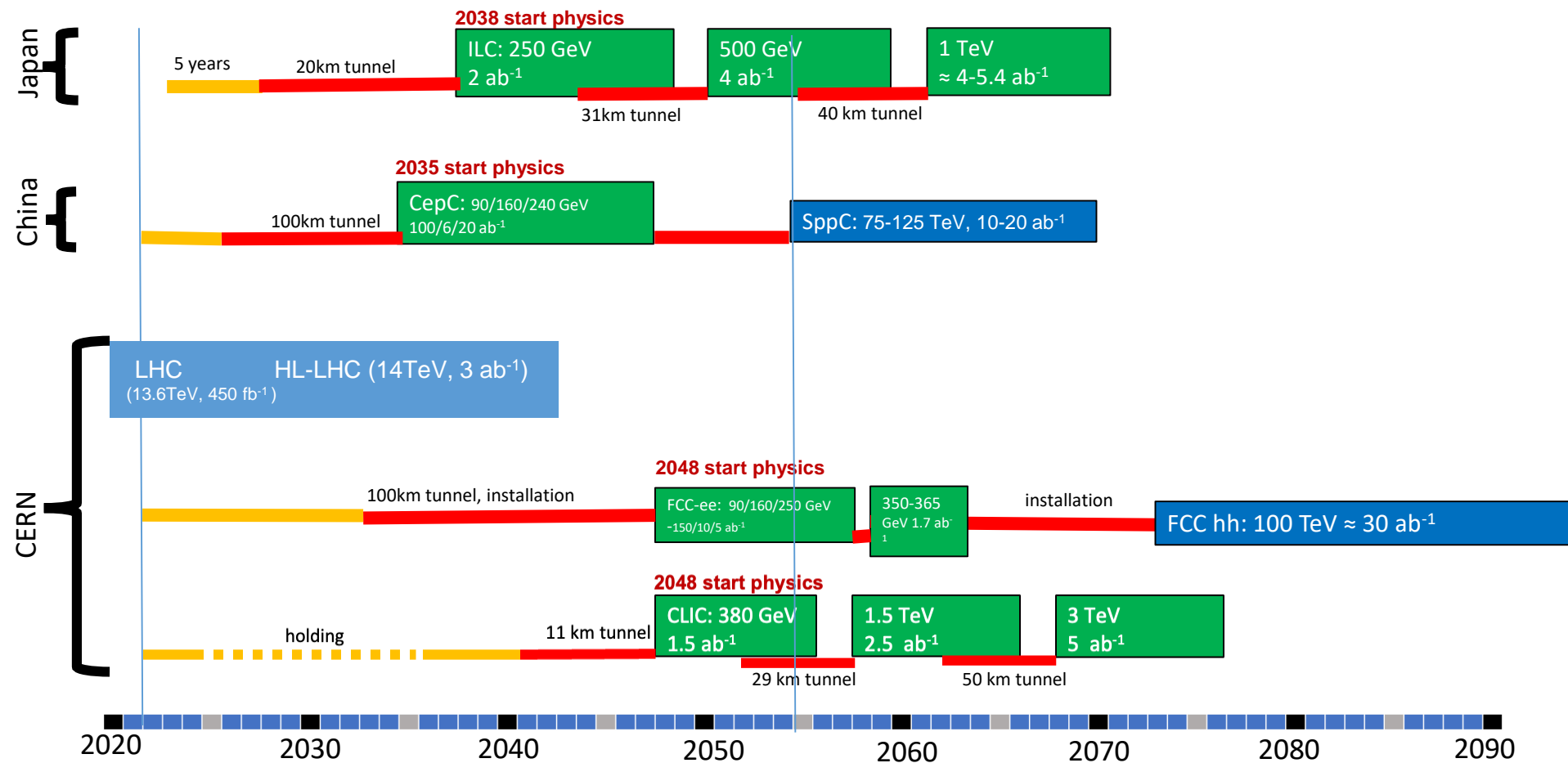
Technology-driven schedule from start of construction shown above.

A preparation phase of ~5 years is needed beforehand
(estimated resource needed ~4% of overall project cost)

Indicative scenarios of future colliders [considered by ESG]

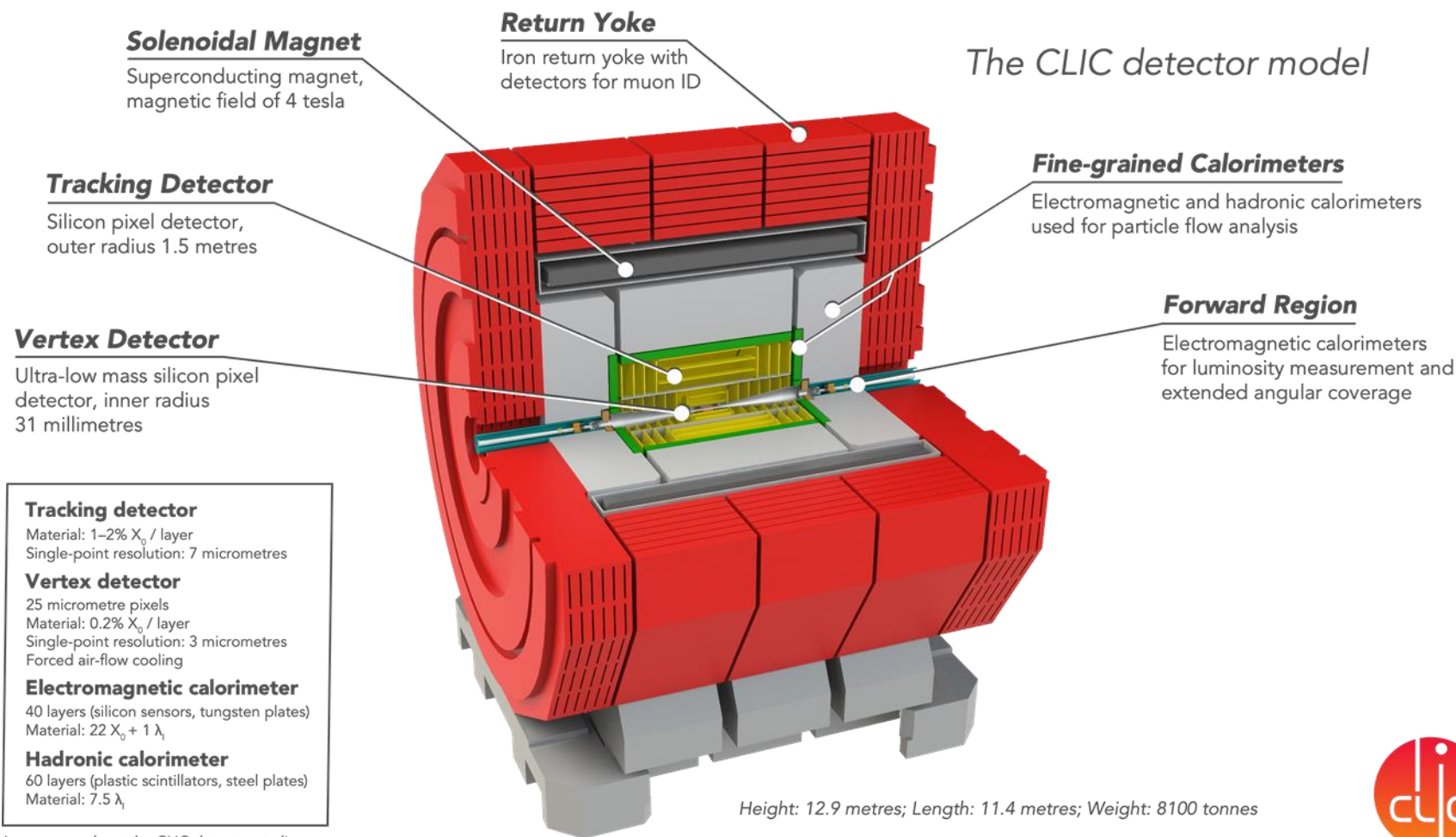
- Proton collider
- Electron collider
- Muon collider
- Construction/Transformation
- Preparation / R&D

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CLIC detector

The CLIC detector model



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