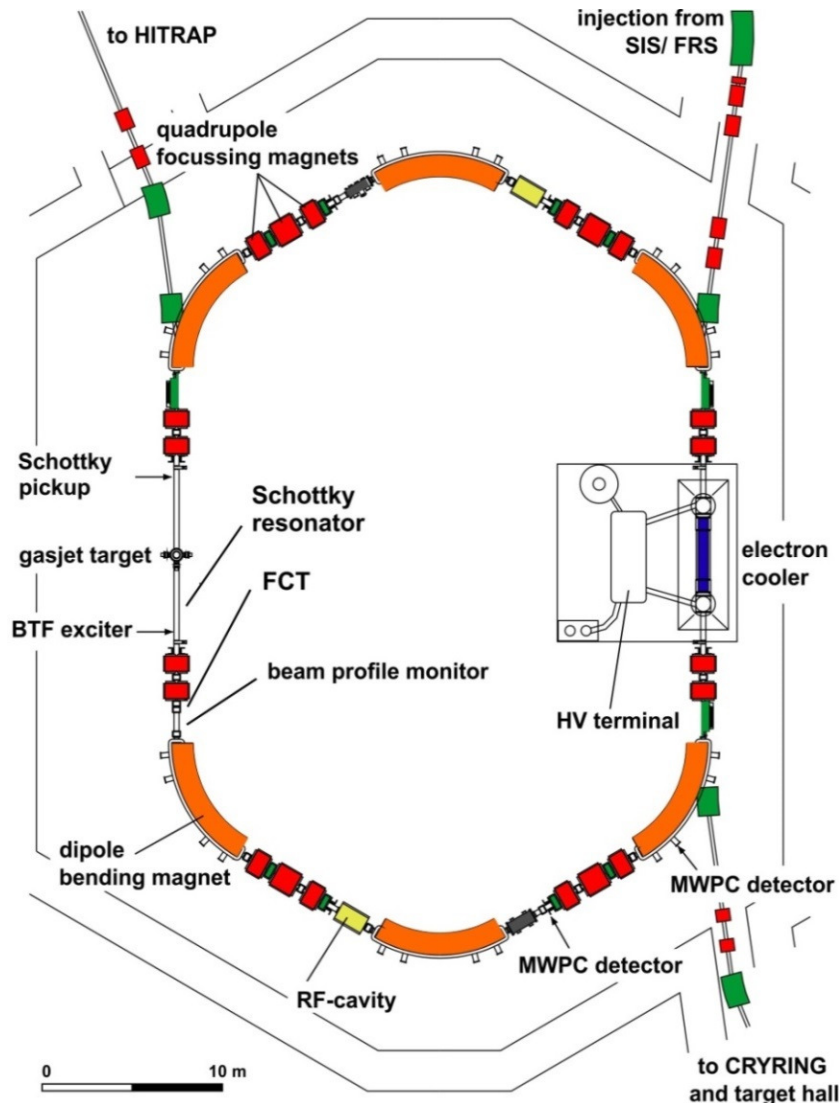




# Some Aspects for ESR Operation

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# The Heavy Ion Storage Ring ESR



- Fast injection (stable ions / RIBs)
- Stochastic cooling ( $\geq 400$  MeV/u)
- Electron cooling (3 - 430 MeV/u)
- Laser cooling ( $C^{3+}$  120 MeV/u)
- Internal gas jet target
- Deceleration (down to 3 MeV/u)
- Fast extraction (HITRAP/CRYRING)
- Slow (resonant) extraction
- Ultraslow extraction (charge change)
- Beam accumulation
- Multi charge state operation
- Schottky mass spectrometry of RIBs
- Isochronous mode (TOF detector)

**⇒ no standard cycle**

# ESR Operation in 2016



**very reliable and well established hardware**

**downtime during 2016 beamtime (36 days) was less than 2 hours**

**additional support by technical departments was on the order of a few hours**

**control system was obsolete, but matched by operational staff**

**flexibility was sufficient for the requested operation**

**efficiency of operation might be increased with new control system in the long run**

**beam was delivered according to schedule and requirements**

**faithful cooperation between accelerator staff and experimentalists**

# ESR Shutdown Activities 2016-2018



**repair of vacuum chamber in one dipole magnet (bellow)**

**installation of barrier bucket rf system in May 2018**

**possibility of installation of second Schottky resonator (UHV compatibility?)**

**modification of laser diagnostics chamber in target section**

**plans for modification of internal target gas inlet**

**repair of electron cooler drift tubes was postponed due to the presence of hazardous material, doubts about time schedule for the repair**

**modernization of main control room, console for experiments disappeared**

**modernization of beam diagnostics and stochastic cooling system**

**modernization of control system hardware (SCUs for SEs)**

**preparation of new software and timing system (relevant for experiments)**

# ESR Shutdown Activities 2016-2018



**Main Control Room has changed**

**ESR experiment console disappeared**



**ESR measurement equipment rearranged  
(half of old consoles houses  
measurement equipment)**

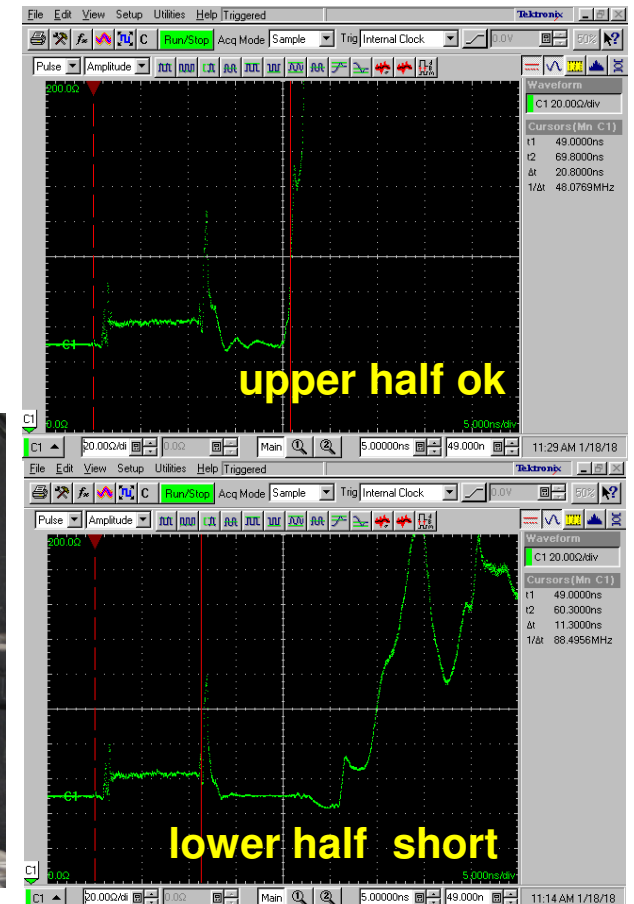
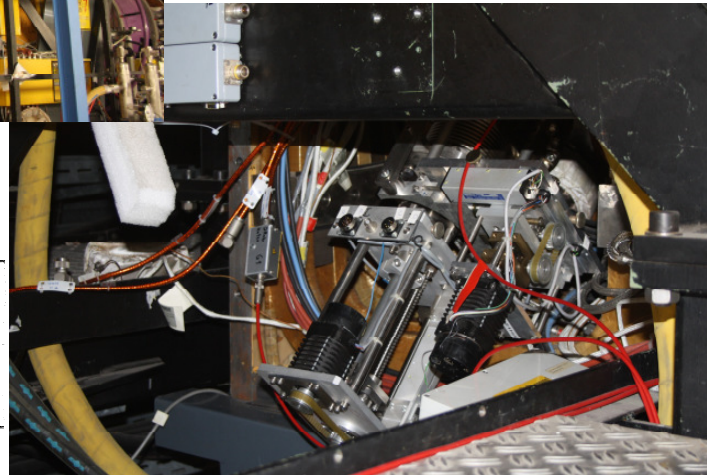
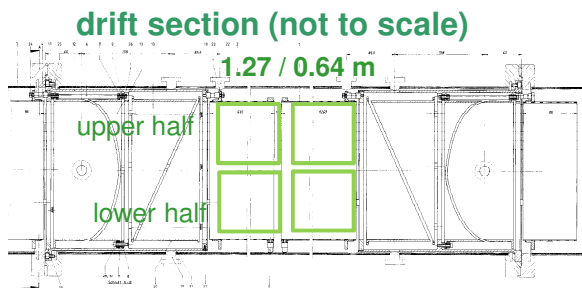


# Repair of Electron Cooler Drift Tubes



drift tubes are needed for experiments which need a fast variation of the electron energy, mainly dielectronic recombination

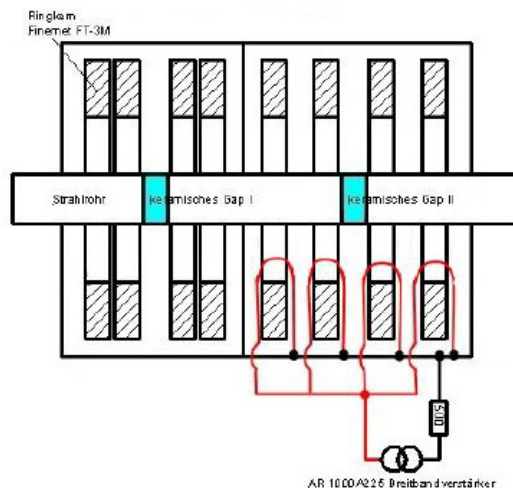
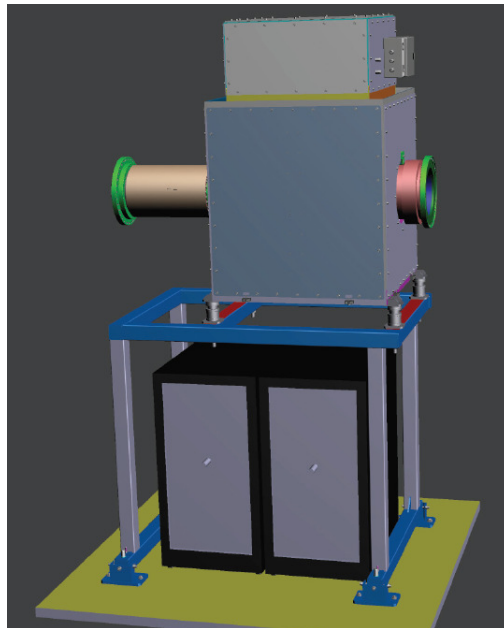
the performance of cooling is not compromised



# New ESR Barrier Bucket Cavity



- tasks: 1) accumulation in combination with cooling  
2) bunching of the beam for fast extraction at low energy



## Technical Parameters

frequency 0.25 - 5 MHz  
maximum voltage 1 kV  
rf power (at 5 MHz) 850 W  
air cooling  
two gaps  
eight magnetic alloy rings

installation in the ESR  
in May 2018

# Recommissioning Steps



electron beam generation

tuning of magnets  
 tuning of high voltage devices  
 tuning of global parameters  
 electron current switch control  
 interlock control  
 cathode heating, vacuum reading  
 drift tube high voltage stepping

ramping of magnets

local orbit change  
 global orbit change  
 change of tune and chromaticity

ramping of electron cooler

ramping of magnets  
 ramping of hv devices

ion beam storage

**estimated number of shifts to establish old performance  
 $\approx 120$   
 (assuming reasonably experienced operators)**

**conclusion:  
 priorities for recommissioning depend on scheduled experiments**

cooler  
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kick matrix measurement  
 matrix response measurement  
 dispersion function measurement  
 tuning of dispersion in target and cooler section  
 tuning of isochronous mode  
 control of particle detector pockets

fast beam extraction

control of beam line magnets and diagnostics

ramping of rf

rf stacking (frequency and amplitude variation)  
 variation of beam energy/orbit  
 changing of harmonic number  
 matching rf and electron cooling

kicker timing  
 kicker control  
 orbit control for extraction (CRYRING + HITRAP)  
 timing controlled beam line operation  
 bunching and rf synchronization

recommissioning stochastic cooling

commissioning beam profile monitor (low energy operation)



# Commissioning for E121



## electron beam generation

tuning of magnets  
tuning of high voltage devices  
tuning of global parameters  
electron current switch control  
interlock control  
cathode heating, vacuum reading  
drift tube high voltage stepping  
ramped operation

## ion beam storage

ring magnet commissioning and tuning  
synchronization of kickers (SIS, ESR)  
synchronization of pulsed injection septum  
bunching  
measurement of closed orbit  
tuning of electron cooler magnets  
tuning of electron cooling  
control of Schottky/BTF devices  
measurement of tune, chromaticity, dispersion  
commissioning of diagnostics; DCT, FCT, profile monitor  
variation of beam momentum for optics measurements  
local orbit bumps implementation and check  
kick matrix measurement  
matrix response measurement  
dispersion function measurement  
tuning of dispersion in target and cooler section  
tuning of isochronous mode  
control of particle detector pockets

## ramping of rf

rf stacking (frequency and amplitude variation)  
variation of beam energy/orbit  
changing of harmonic number  
matching rf and electron cooling

## ramping of magnets

local orbit change  
global orbit change  
change of tune and chromaticity

## ramping of electron cooler

ramping of magnets  
ramping of hv devices  
timing controlled electron current operation

## timing control of devices

timing triggered motion of actuators  
timing for beam diagnostics measurements

## acceleration/deceleration

$\Sigma = 40$  shifts

synchronized ramping of magnets, rf, electron cooler  
beam parameter measurements during ramping  
tuning of parameters for beam deceleration

## slow beam extraction

UHV septum  
septum position  
electrostatic septum control  
control of beam line magnets and diagnostics

## fast beam extraction

kicker timing  
kicker control  
orbit control for extraction (CRYRING + HITRAP)  
timing controlled beam line operation  
bunching and rf synchronization

recommissioning stochastic cooling

commissioning beam profile monitor (low energy operation)

# Commissioning for CRYRING



## electron beam generation

- tuning of magnets
- tuning of high voltage devices
- tuning of global parameters
- electron current switch control
- interlock control
- cathode heating, vacuum reading
- drift tube high voltage stepping
- ramped operation

## ion beam storage

- ring magnet commissioning and tuning
- synchronization of kickers (SIS, ESR)
- synchronization of pulsed injection septum
- bunching
- measurement of closed orbit
- tuning of electron cooler magnets
- tuning of electron cooling
- control of Schottky/BTF devices
- measurement of tune, chromaticity, dispersion
- commissioning of diagnostics; DCT, FCT, profile monitor
- variation of beam momentum for optics measurements
- local orbit bumps implementation and check
- kick matrix measurement
- matrix response measurement
- dispersion function measurement
- tuning of dispersion in target and cooler section
- tuning of isochronous mode
- control of particle detector pockets

## ramping of rf

- rf stacking (frequency and amplitude variation)
- variation of beam energy/orbit
- changing of harmonic number
- matching rf and electron cooling

## ramping of magnets

- local orbit change
- global orbit change
- change of tune and chromaticity

## ramping of electron cooler

- ramping of magnets
- ramping of hv devices
- timing controlled electron current operation

## timing control of devices

- timing triggered motion of actuators
- timing for beam diagnostics measurements

## acceleration/deceleration

$\Sigma = 85$  shifts

- synchronized ramping of magnets, rf, electron cooler
- beam parameter measurements during ramping
- tuning of parameters for beam deceleration

## slow beam extraction

- UHV septum
- septum position
- electrostatic septum control
- control of beam line magnets and diagnostics

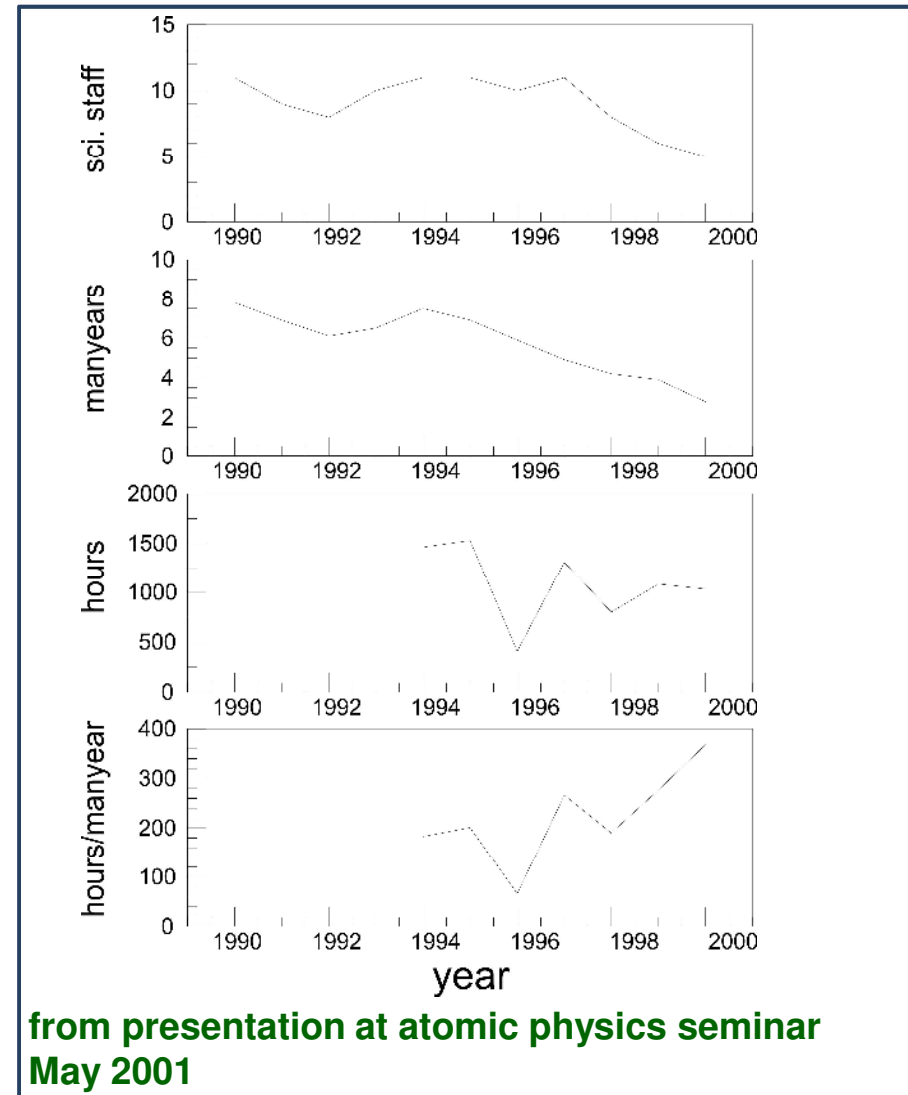
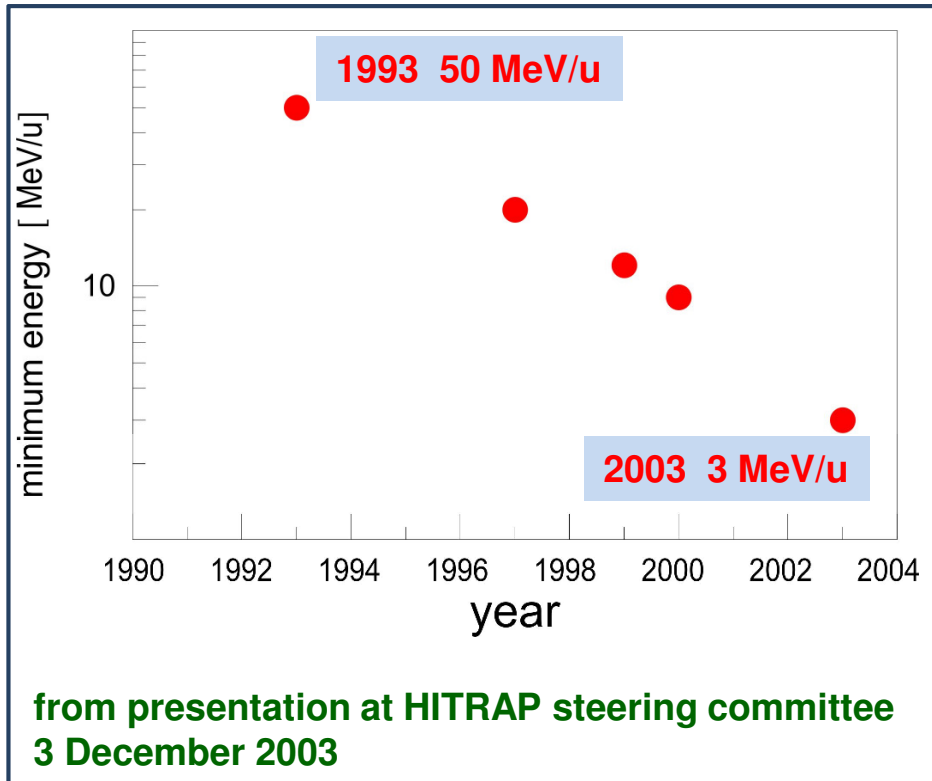
## fast beam extraction

- kicker timing
- kicker control
- orbit control for extraction (CRYRING + HITRAP)
- timing controlled beam line operation
- bunching and rf synchronization

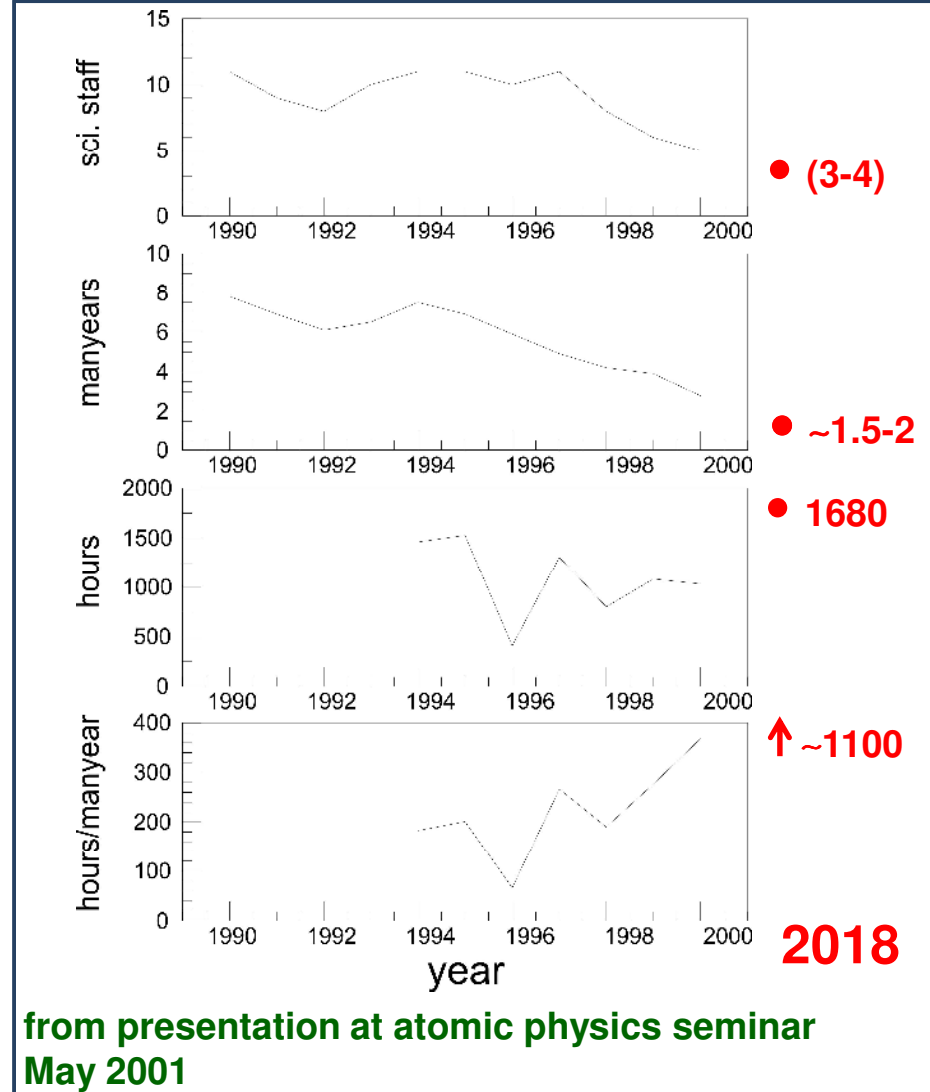
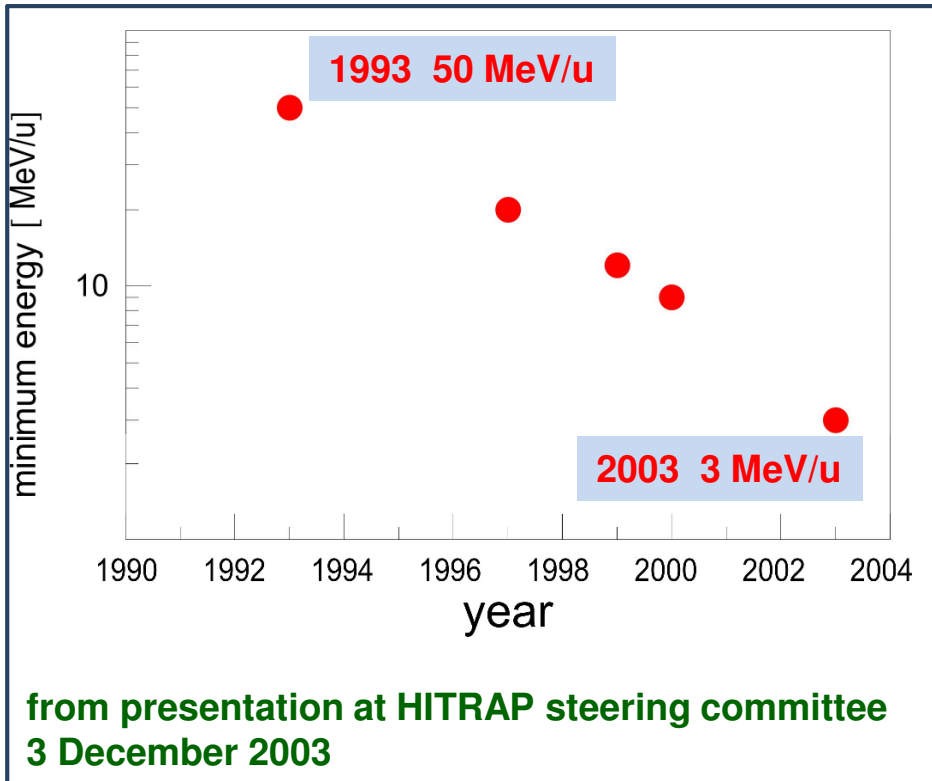
- recommissioning stochastic cooling

- commissioning beam profile monitor (low energy operation)

# History of Deceleration in the ESR



# Future of Deceleration in the ESR



# Issues for Beam Transfer to CRYRING

ultrahigh vacuum is crucial, low  $10^{-11}$  mbar required, little compromises possible  
⇒ consequences for the installation of experimental set-ups

no FAIR solution for synchronization is presently available,  
SIS-ESR synchronization uses 30 years old gear,  
ESR-CRYRING transfer is an open issue

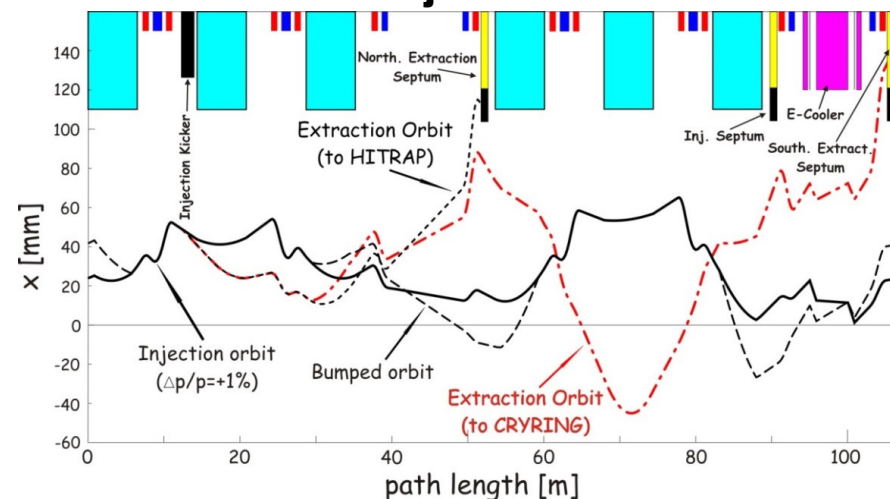
shorter ESR deceleration cycles require extensive machine development,  
maybe also hardware modification

a fast extraction scheme from ESR has been demonstrated

It still has to be demonstrated that it is suitable for injection into CRYRING

no cooling right before extraction

no immediate fall back position  
in case of failure



# ESR Operation in 2018



- hardware should be disposable with the established performance
- quality of global alignment is uncertain (ESR ring should be ok)
- all software must be new, no fall back to old VMS system based software
- this also affects all experiments, no previously used software is available
- new timing system, old triggers for experiments will be affected
- staffing of operating team is an open issue
- the beam recommissioning will require significant support by technical departments, particularly controls and beam diagnostics, to achieve good performance of the installed new equipment for the control of devices
- migration to new control system and to fresh staff will require devoted efforts and a lot of patience

# ESR Operation beyond 2018



recommissioning and development of control system will continue

first goal: establish old performance

second goal: improvement of performance,

e.g. beam transfer to CRYRING,

shorter deceleration cycle

high intensity operation

integrate new barrier bucket cavity into operation

for: accumulation of exotic beams

single bunch generation for CRYRING and HITRAP

**establish a team of experts for ESR operation during FAIR phase 0**

**which will be able to continue the faithful cooperation with experiments**

requirements for ESR modifications for new experiments beyond the existing set-up need to be discussed in due time