

Update on DLS simulation for high energy linac

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Motivation

- The statistical precision on the anomalous precession frequency ω_a is:

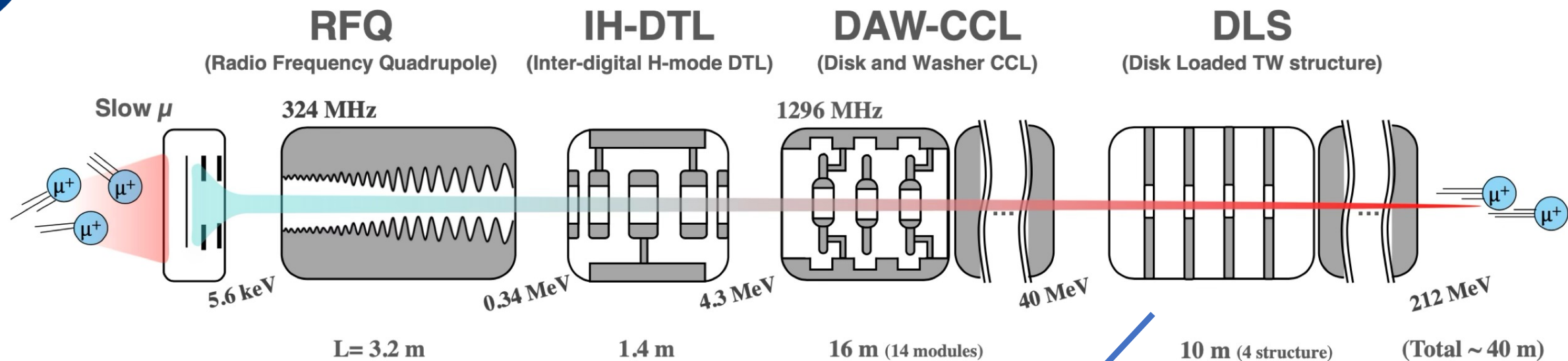
$$\frac{\Delta\omega_a}{\omega_a} = \frac{1}{\omega_a \gamma \tau P} \sqrt{\frac{2}{NA^2}}$$

Increasing the **momentum** improves measurement precision linearly.

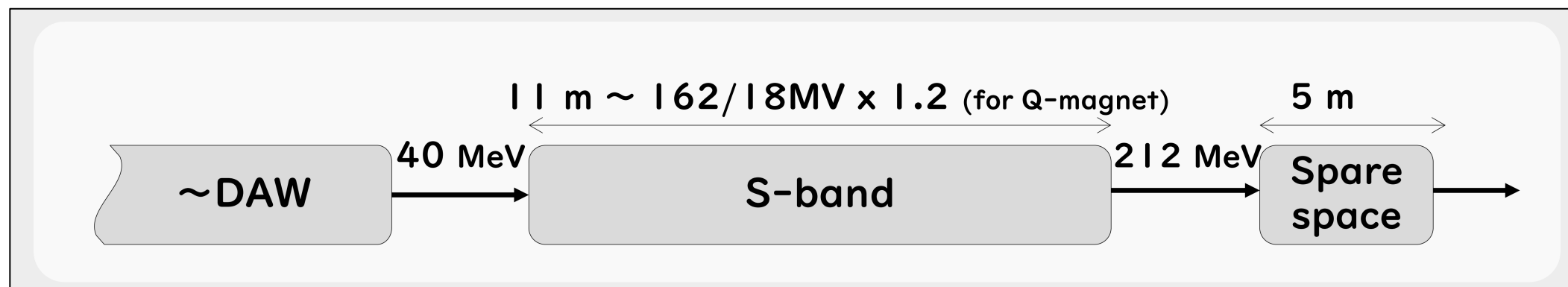
- Magnetic Field Adjustment:**
 - Higher momentum requires a proportional increase in the magnetic field to maintain experiment size.
- Effect on Anomalous Precession (ω_a):**
 - A stronger magnetic field **increases** the **anomalous precession frequency**.
 - Doubling both momentum and field $\Rightarrow$ **x4** improvement in ω_a precision.



DLS structure



Current DLS design
Final momentum 300 MeV/c

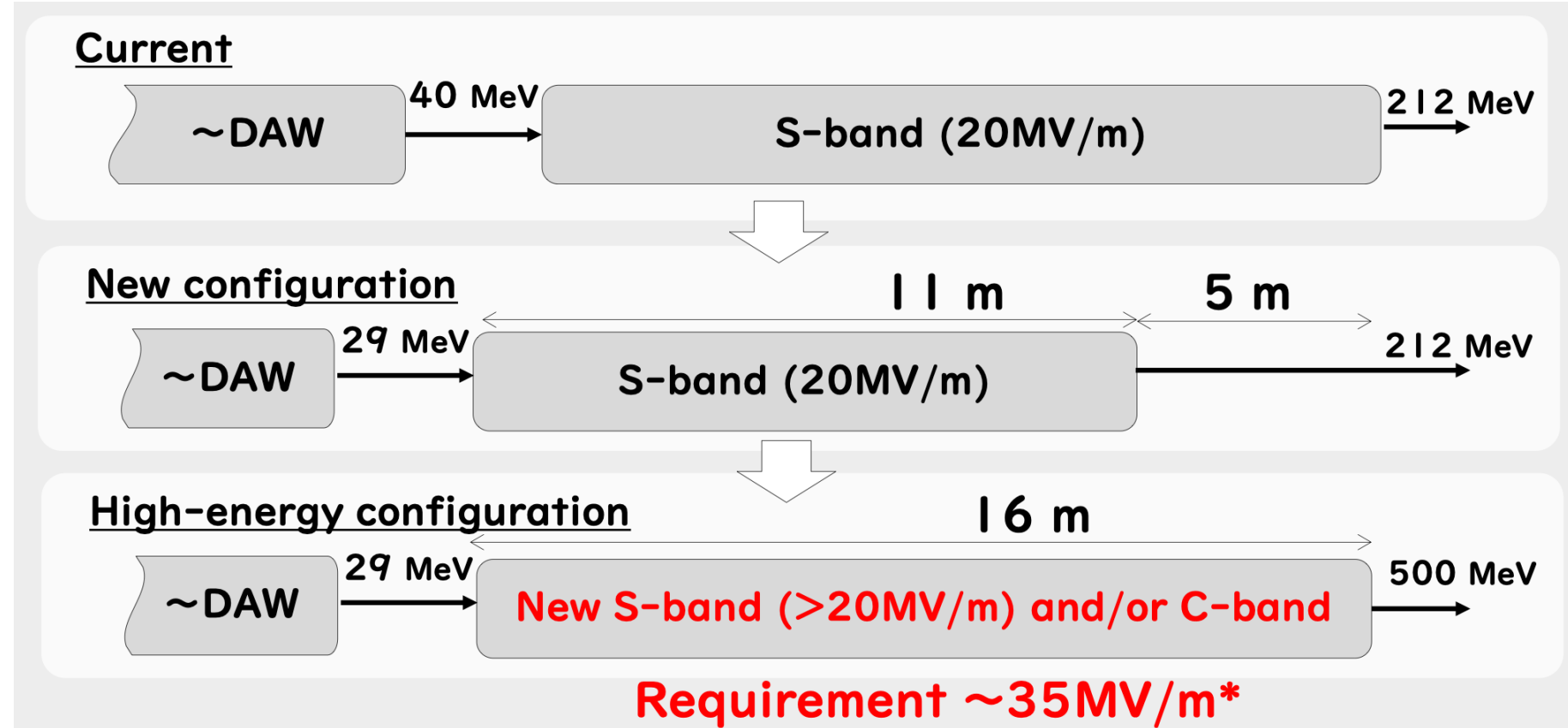




DLS structure

New configuration has lower input energy 40 → 29 MeV

High energy configuration higher final energy 212 → 500 MeV



*assuming synchronous phase of 13° is used

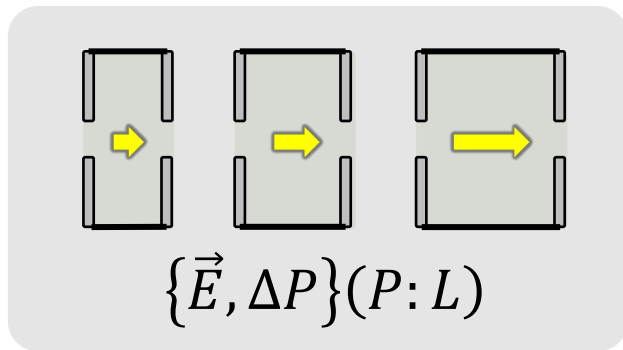
Short prototype S-band for the FERMI FEL linac achieved higher gradient of 30 MV/m [NIMA 1055 (2023) 168543] with possibility to increase up to 40 MV/m [NIMA 979 (2020) 164473]



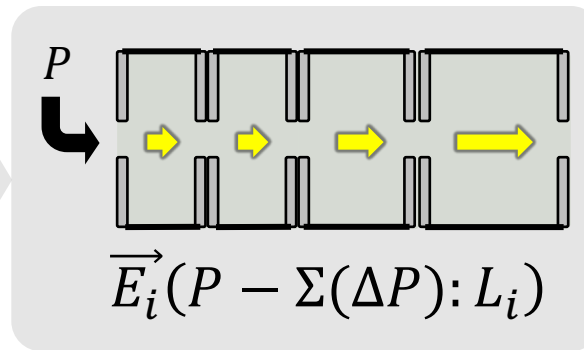
Work flow

- The overall flowchart is:

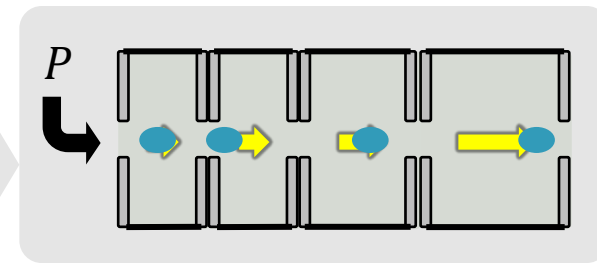
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2. Design accelerator



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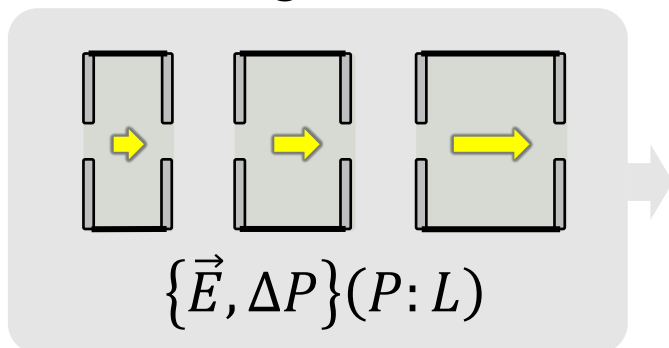
5. Design including beam matching



RF design

- As first step we redesign the cell RF for the new initial and final energy:

1. RF design of a cell



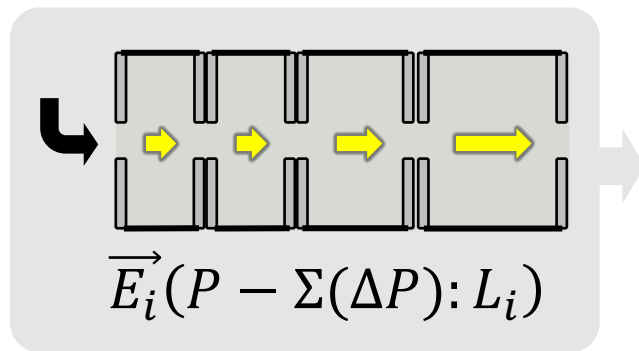
- We moved from:
 - Initial 41 MeV -> 29 MeV
 - Final 212 MeV -> 500 MeV
- This will be the input to the next step.



Accelerator design

- We used the new input RF and the new parameters to design the first part of the DLS

2. Design accelerator



- The new power defined after discussion with experts is
 - 90 MW** (for operational stability and RF breakdown risk);



Accelerator design

- For the accelerator design we had to deal with several factors:
 - **Total length** of the building $\sim$ **16m**;
 - **Maximum power** per cell **90MW/m**;
 - **Gap length** size between DLS tanks (order of **840mm**);
 - Size of the single **DLS tank length** – **2.3m** maximum limit from the constructor.
- The best solution with the current parameters is to increase the number of tanks from **4 to 6** -> this reduces the length of each tank increasing the average gradient.
- We optimized the number of cells per tank to have the size of them quite similar.

Iteration Result (dls1)
a2_in [mm] = 24.6673
a2_out [mm] = 22
E0 [MV/m] = 31.143

freq [MHz] = 2592
phi_s [deg] = -13
IniW [MeV] = 29
EndW [MeV] = 79.8751
Ncell = 58
Qratio = 0.97
Power [MW] = 85.5
vg/c(58) [%] = 0.9149
tau = 0.359008
T_f [us] = 0.497566

Iteration Result (dls2)
a2_in [mm] = 25.5455
a2_out [mm] = 22
E0 [MV/m] = 33.1569

freq [MHz] = 2592
phi_s [deg] = -13
IniW [MeV] = 79.8751
EndW [MeV] = 143.818
Ncell = 58
Qratio = 0.97
Power [MW] = 90
vg/c(58) [%] = 0.919776
tau = 0.34381
T_f [us] = 0.540545

Iteration Result (dls3)
a2_in [mm] = 25.6973
a2_out [mm] = 22
E0 [MV/m] = 33.8218

freq [MHz] = 2592
phi_s [deg] = -13
IniW [MeV] = 143.818
EndW [MeV] = 210.912
Ncell = 56
Qratio = 0.97
Power [MW] = 90
vg/c(56) [%] = 0.920721
tau = 0.332831
T_f [us] = 0.546236

Iteration Result (dls4)
a2_in [mm] = 25.7964
a2_out [mm] = 22
E0 [MV/m] = 33.9878

freq [MHz] = 2592
phi_s [deg] = -13
IniW [MeV] = 210.912
EndW [MeV] = 280.28
Ncell = 56
Qratio = 0.97
Power [MW] = 90
vg/c(56) [%] = 0.920933
tau = 0.332976
T_f [us] = 0.557124

Iteration Result (dls5)
a2_in [mm] = 25.7223
a2_out [mm] = 22
E0 [MV/m] = 34.3752

freq [MHz] = 2592
phi_s [deg] = -13
IniW [MeV] = 280.28
EndW [MeV] = 349.005
Ncell = 54
Qratio = 0.97
Power [MW] = 90
vg/c(54) [%] = 0.920963
tau = 0.323883
T_f [us] = 0.547043

Iteration Result (dls6)
a2_in [mm] = 25.7465
a2_out [mm] = 22
E0 [MV/m] = 34.4278

freq [MHz] = 2592
phi_s [deg] = -13
IniW [MeV] = 349.005
EndW [MeV] = 418.45
Ncell = 54
Qratio = 0.97
Power [MW] = 90
vg/c(54) [%] = 0.920946
tau = 0.324157
T_f [us] = 0.550774

The lengths for the 6 tanks are:

1. 1648.71 mm;
2. 1945.89 mm;
3. 2000.29 mm;
4. 2057.93 mm;
5. 2014.56 mm;
6. 2032.54 mm.

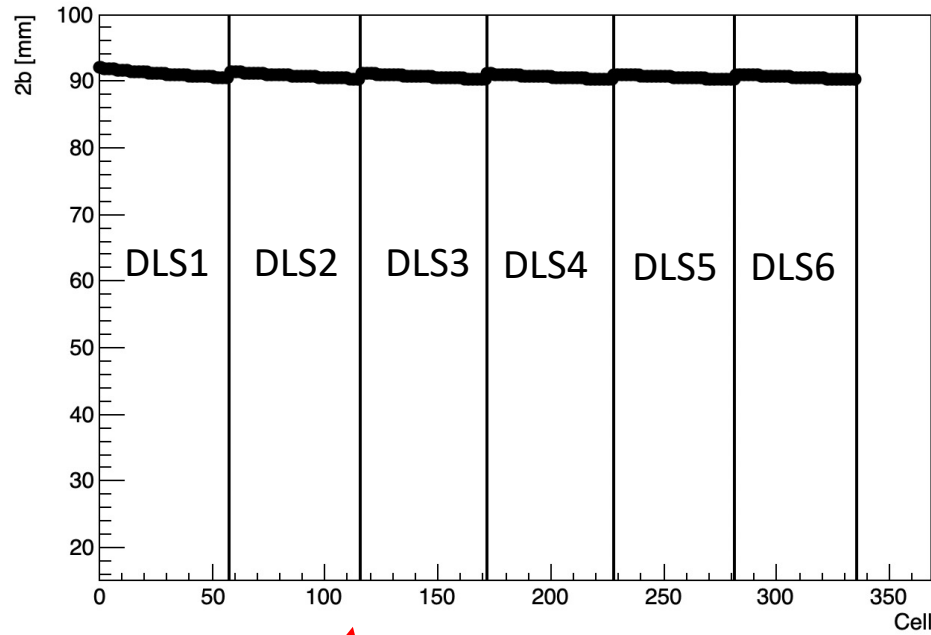
For a total length of: 11699.92 that using the 870 gap
we have $11699.92 + 870 \cdot 5 = 16049.92$ mm

With final Momentum of ~ 515 MeV

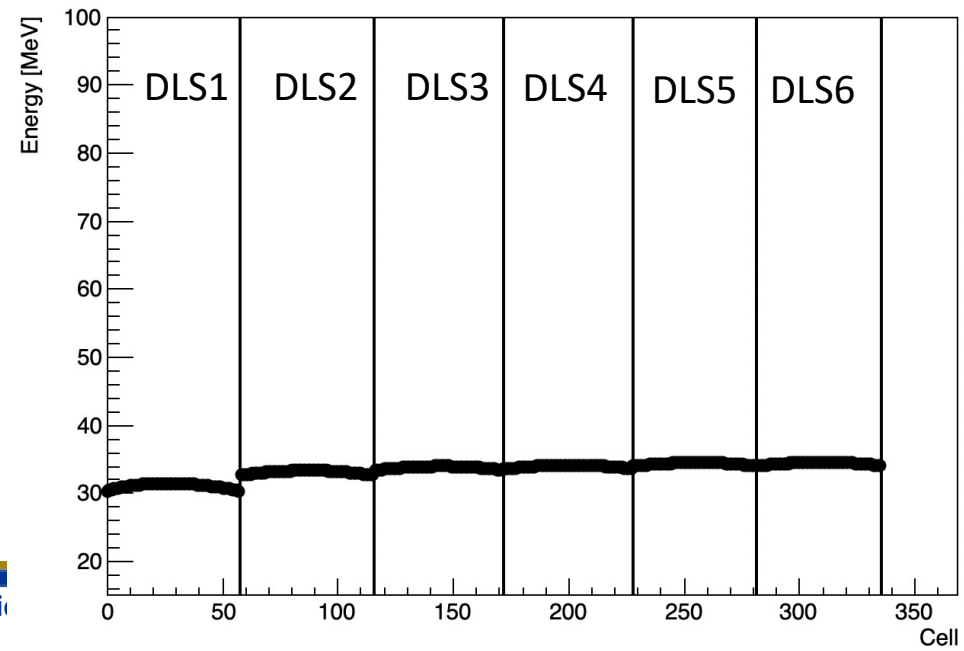
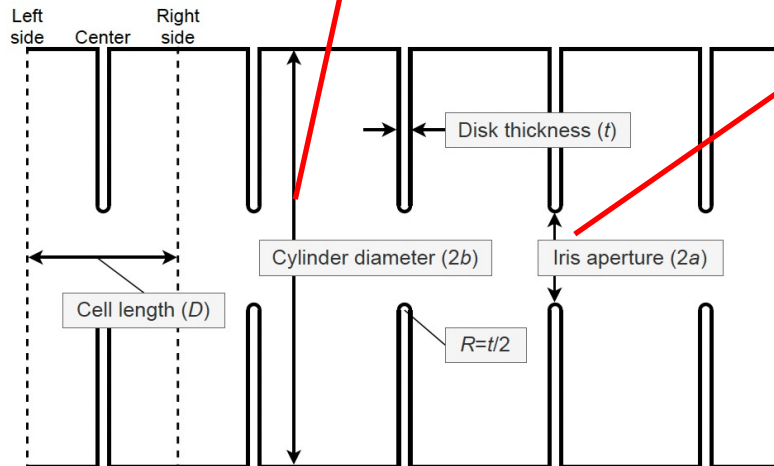
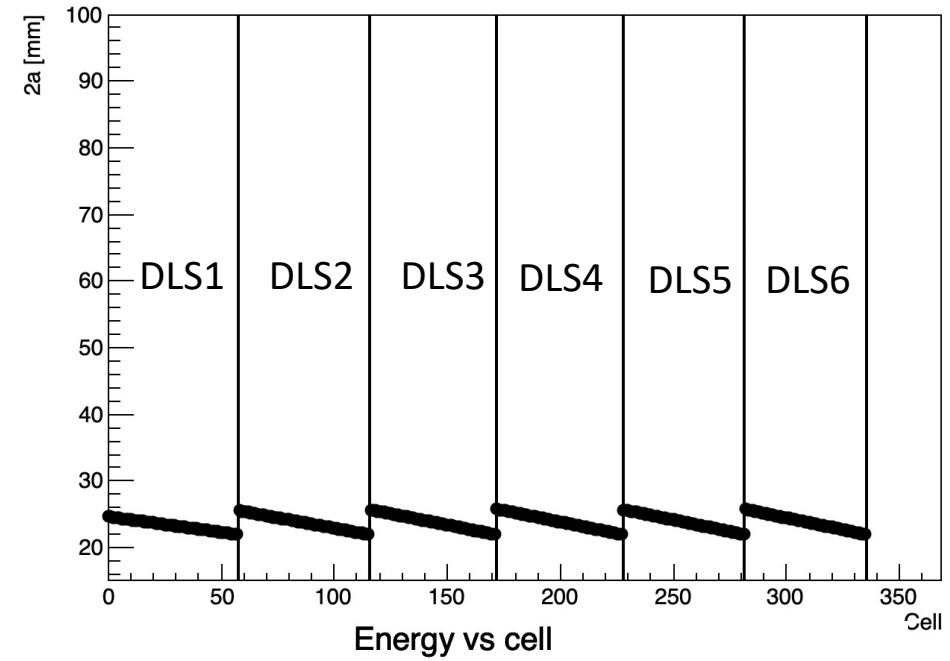


Accelerator design

2b vs cell



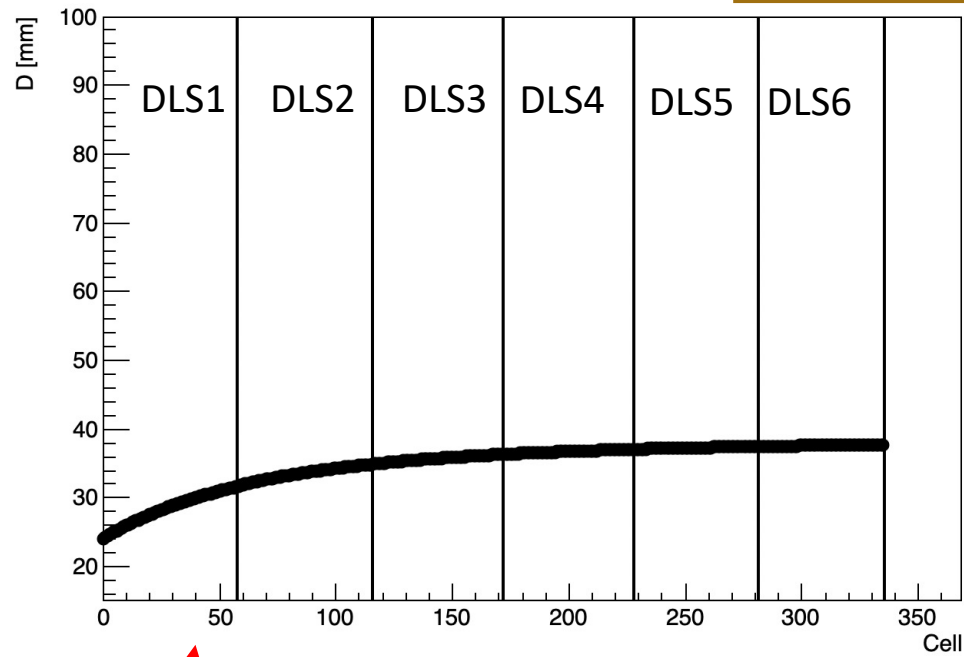
2a vs cell



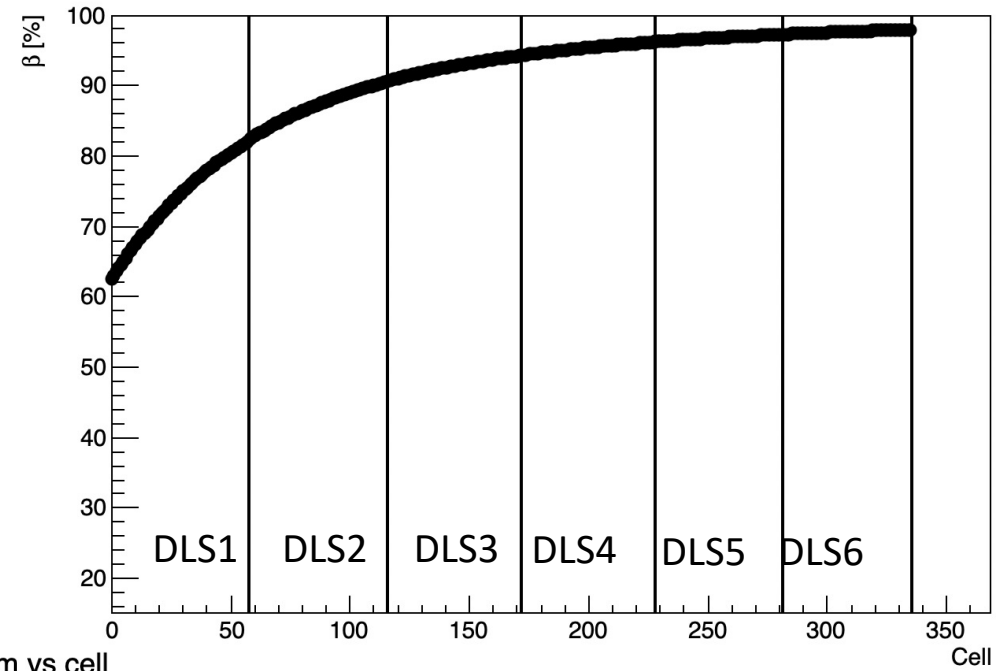


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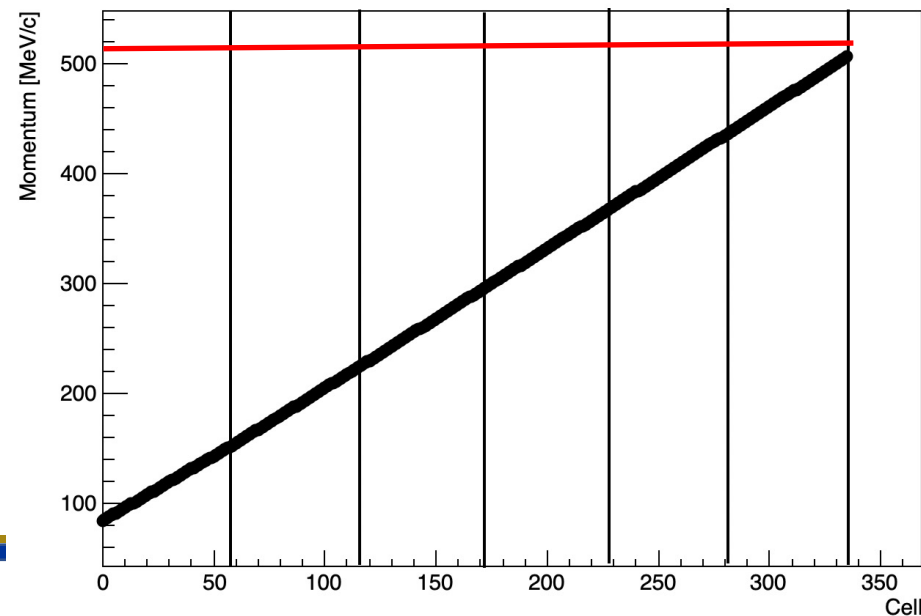
D vs cell



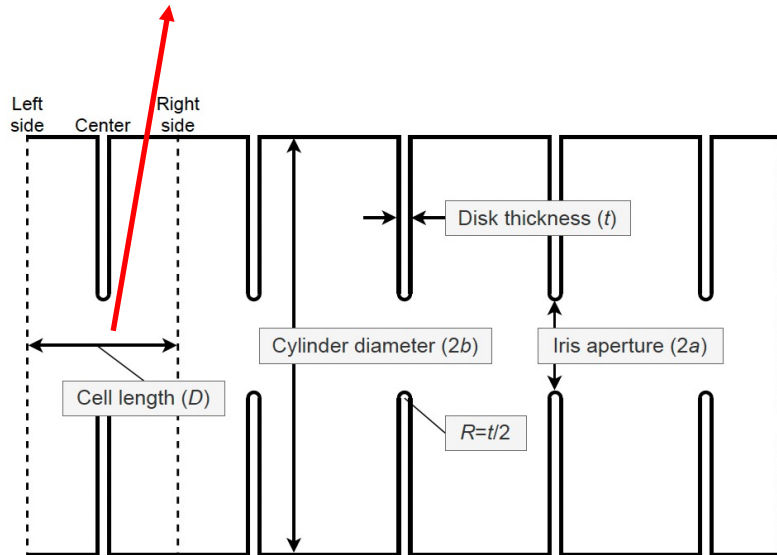
β vs cell



Momentum vs cell



Final momentum with this design is ~515 MeV/c

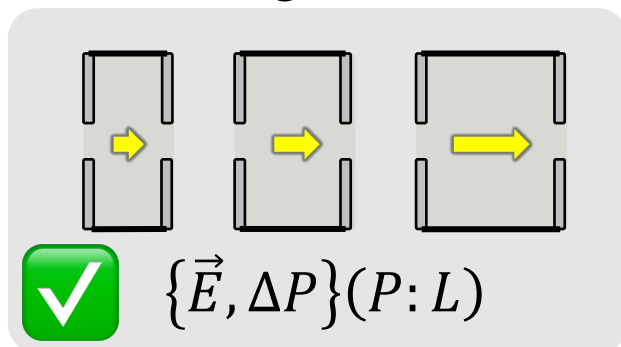




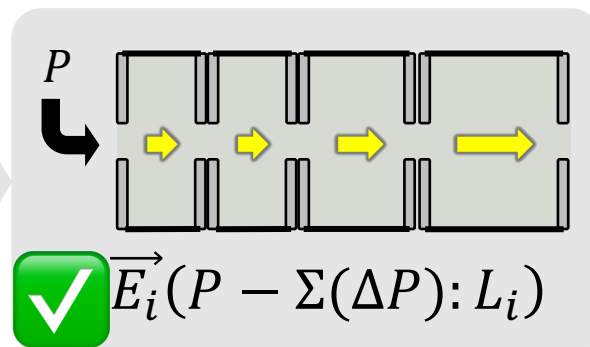
Work flow at 30MV/m

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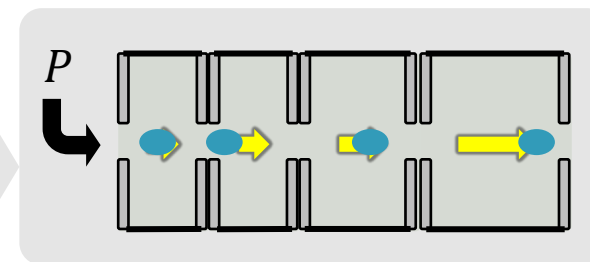
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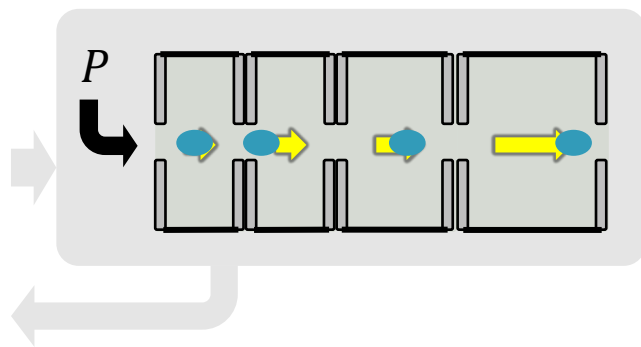
- We need to do the first beam simulation;
- Check the transverse beam dynamics.



EM calculation and beam simulation

- With the input from the previous step we ran SUPER-FISH to compute the EM field on the new cavity design.

3. Beam simulation

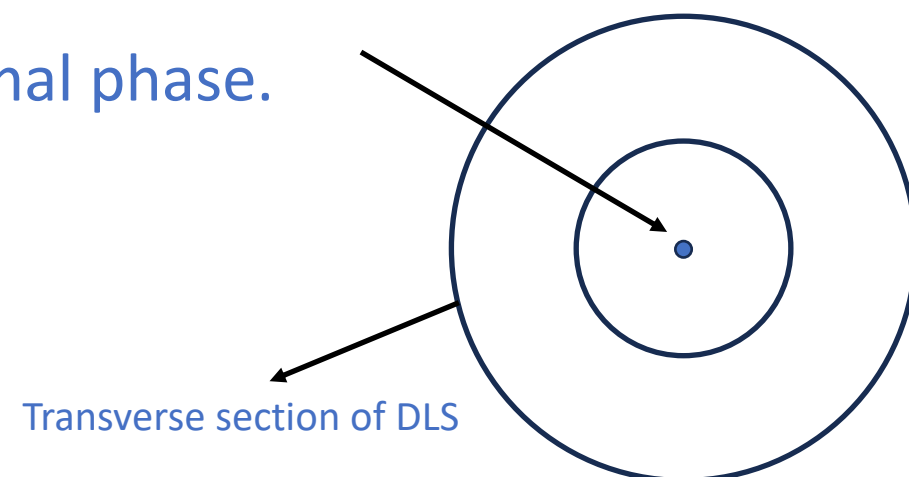
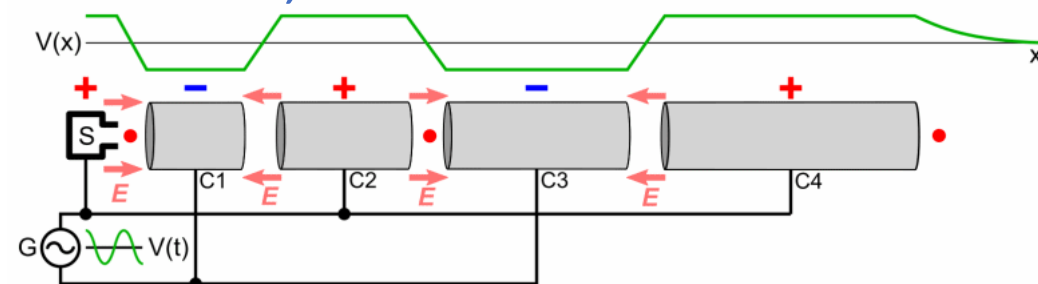


- This output will be used to track the particle and define the beam quality, covering the step 3 and 4.



Beam simulation

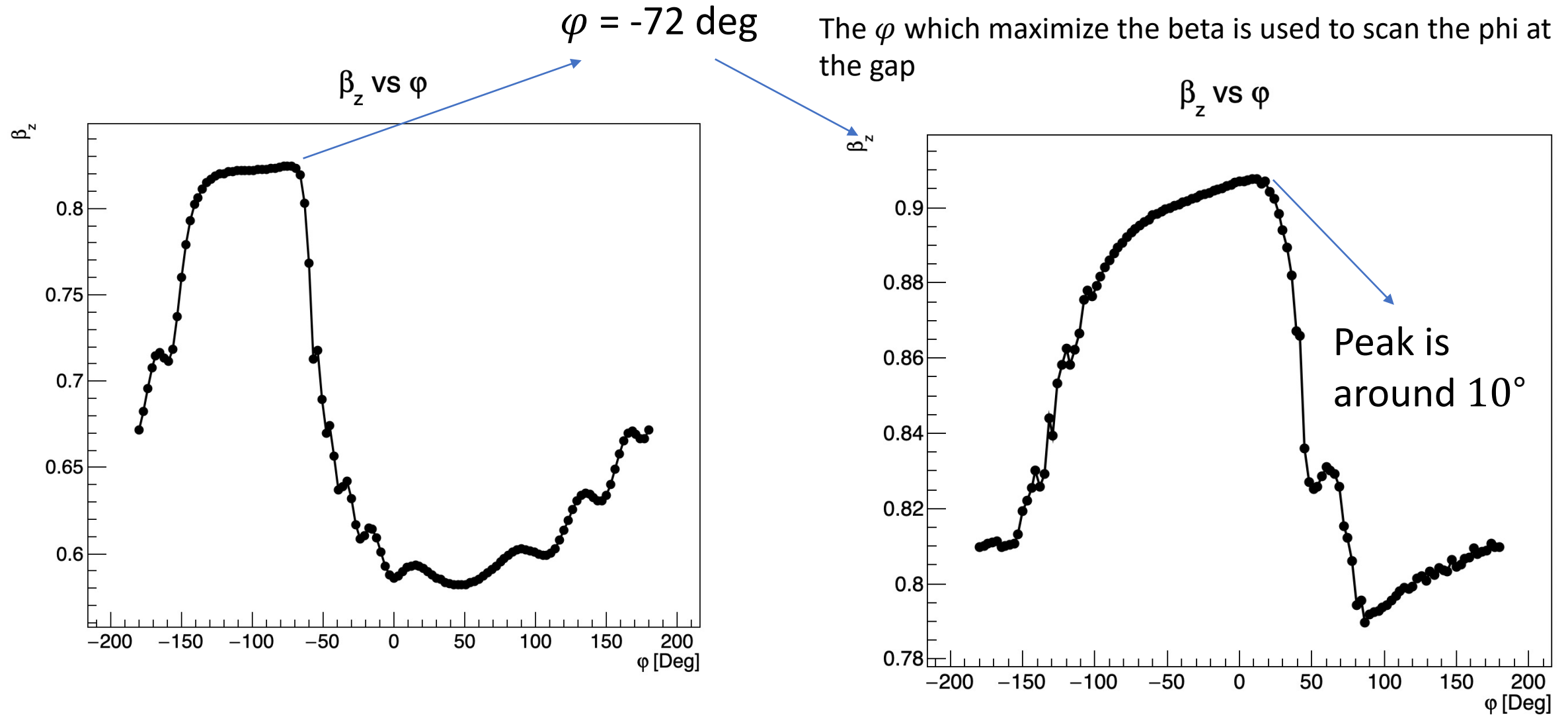
- Before making a full simulation of the beam inside the DLS, we need to do some initial optimization.
- The main one is the phase scan.
- The phase of the beam can be regulated by changing the distance between the DAW and the first DLS tank.
- Selecting the reference particle, a particle centered in the middle of the DLS with longitudinal momentum only, we can find the optimal phase.





Beam simulation – phase optimization

- This is the phase optimization for the first pair of DLS tanks, this is repeated for all

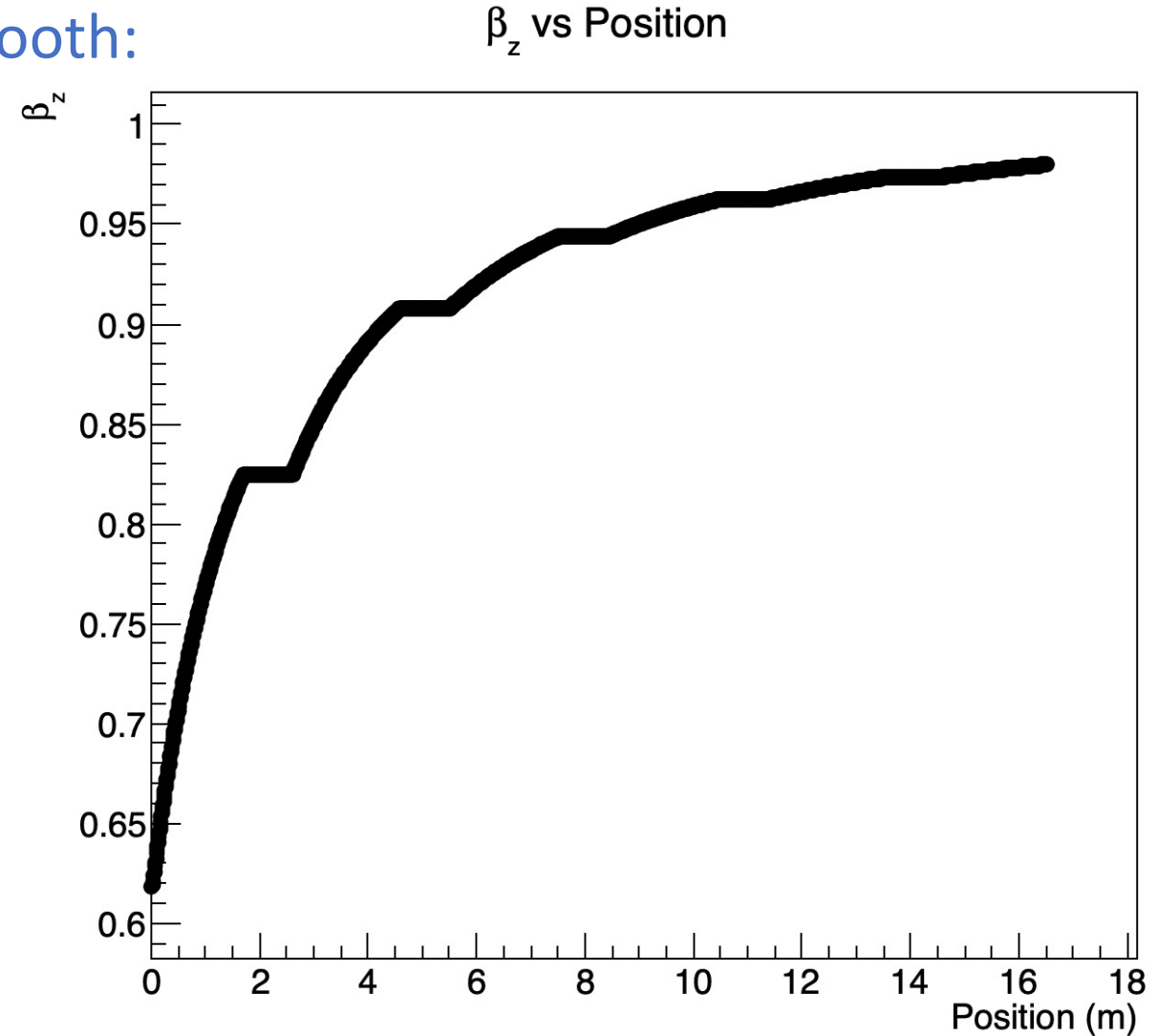




Beam simulation – phase optimization

- After performing the optimization, plotting the β as function of the position inside the DLS we see that the acceleration is smooth:

- We see a net acceleration through the **6 tanks** up to the expected final **β of 0.979**

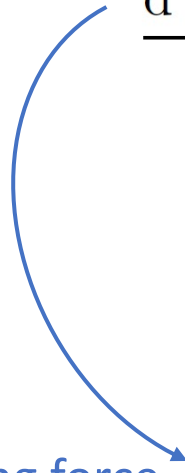




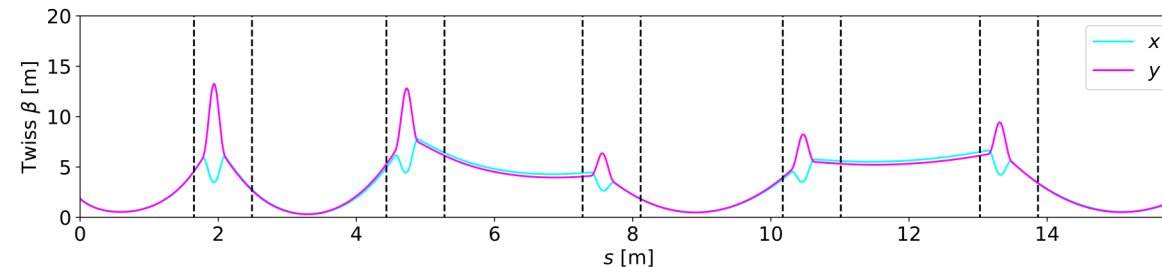
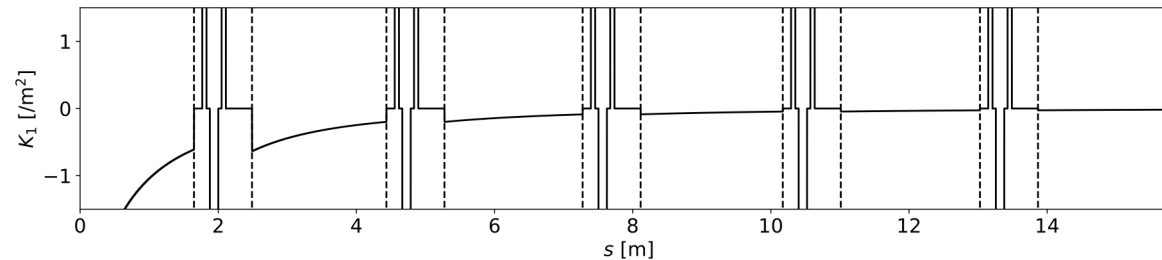
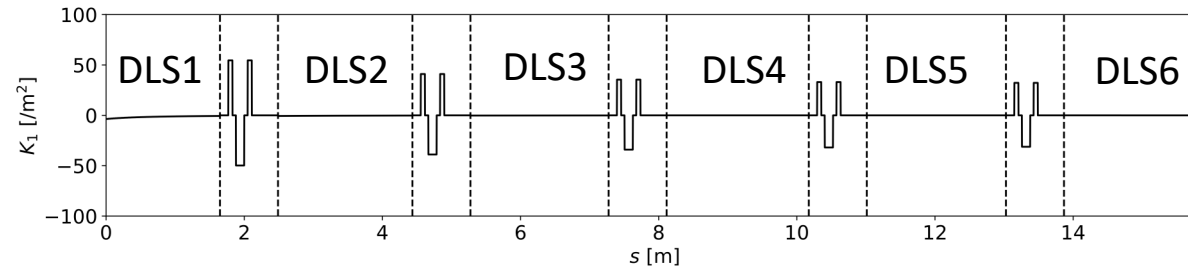
Transverse Beam Dynamics Design

- Using the parameters obtained from the first step, we can start computing some beam dynamics parameters by solving the equation of motion:

$$\frac{d^2 \sqrt{\beta_{\text{Twiss}}(s)}}{ds^2} + K_1(s) \sqrt{\beta_{\text{Twiss}}(s)} - \sqrt{\beta_{\text{Twiss}}(s)}^{-3} = 0,$$



Where K_1 is the focusing force





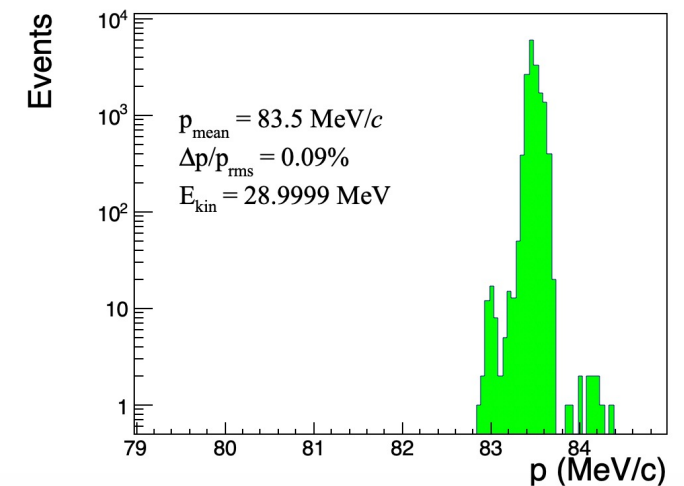
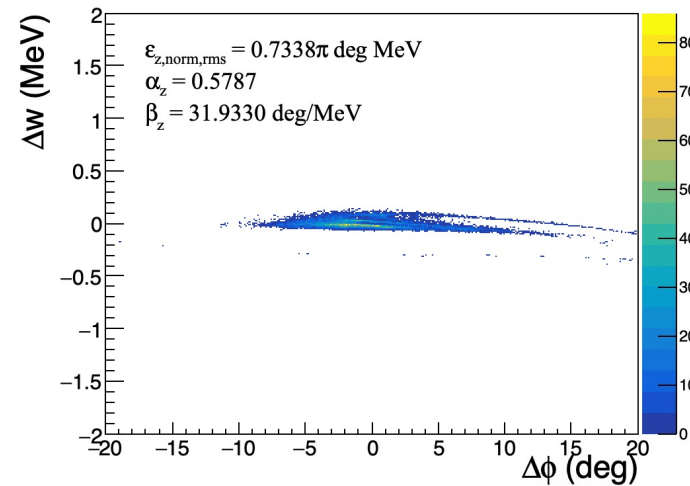
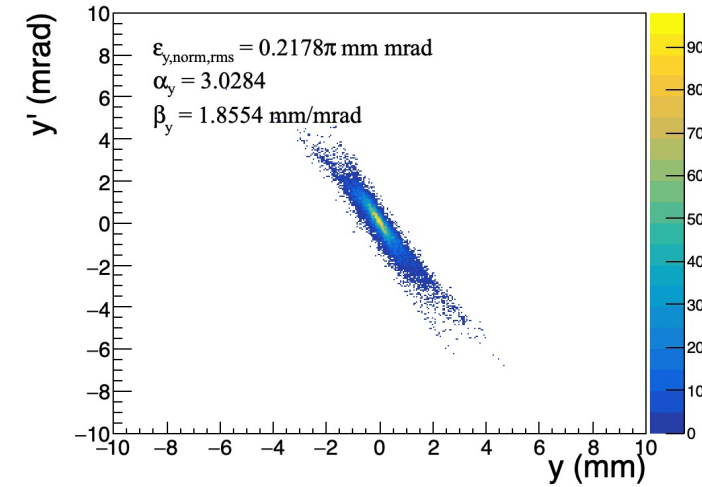
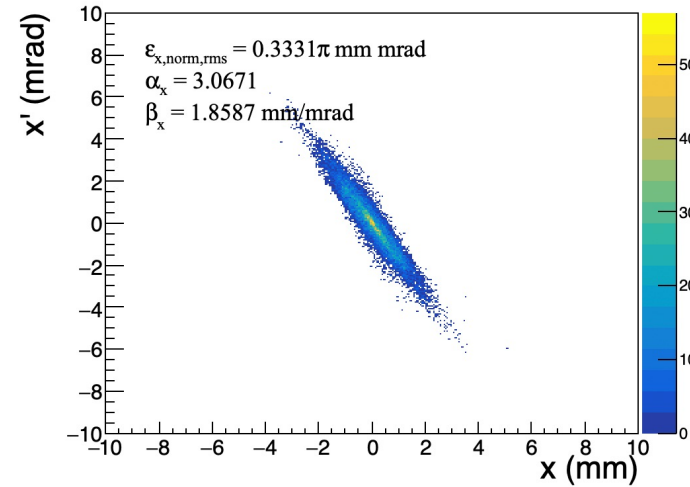
Transverse Beam Dynamics Design

- From the transverse beam calculation we get some important parameters:
 - Twiss parameters α and β ;
 - Quadrupole strenght between DLSs;
- We use the realistic distribution of the beam at the exit of the DAW to simulate also particle that doesn't lie on the ideal orbit.
- For now we use the input distribution produced in previous DAW simulation, with final energy at 41 MeV and rescaled to much our current parameters.



Full beam simulation

- From the existing beam distribution we generated the required beam:
- We used the $\alpha_{x,y}$, $\beta_{x,y}$ and $\varepsilon_{x,y}$ twiss parameters from previous step to generate the distribution.
- The twiss parameters are:
 - $\alpha_{x,y} = 3.076$
 - $\beta_{x,y} = 1.856$
 - $\varepsilon_x = 0.33 \pi \cdot \text{mm} \cdot \text{mrad}$
 - $\varepsilon_y = 0.22 \pi \cdot \text{mm} \cdot \text{mrad}$

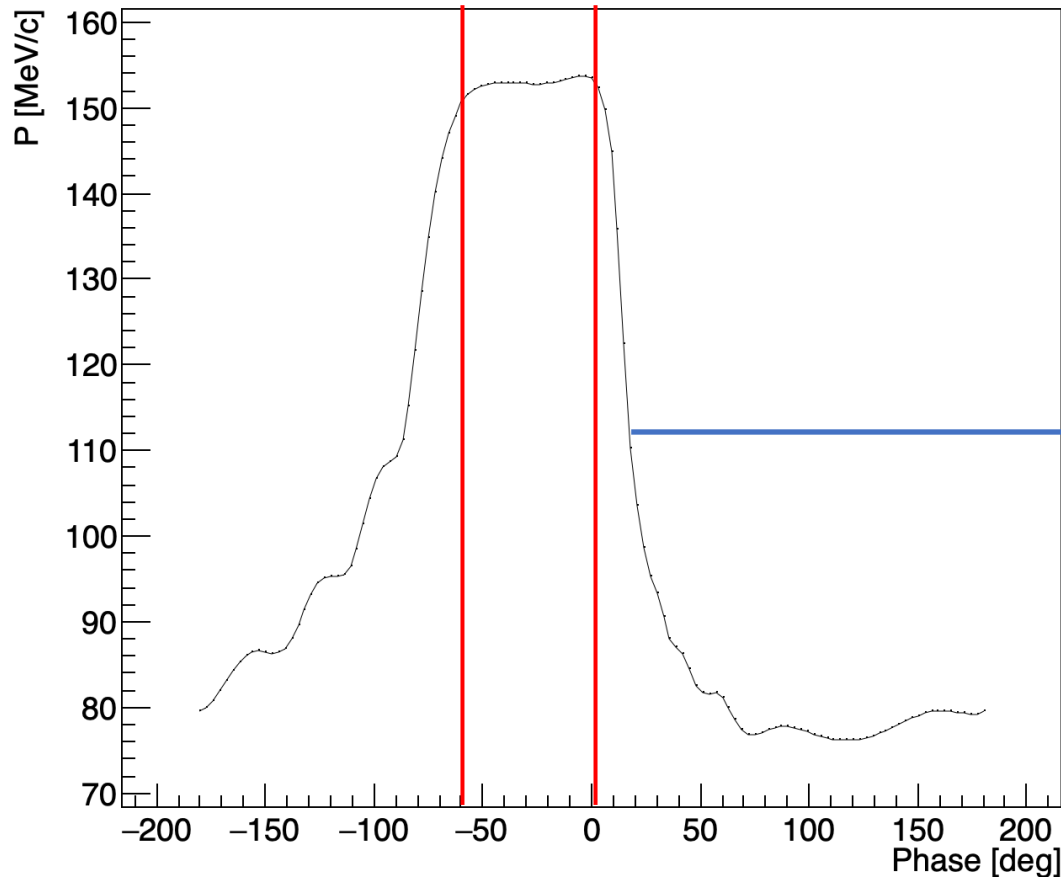




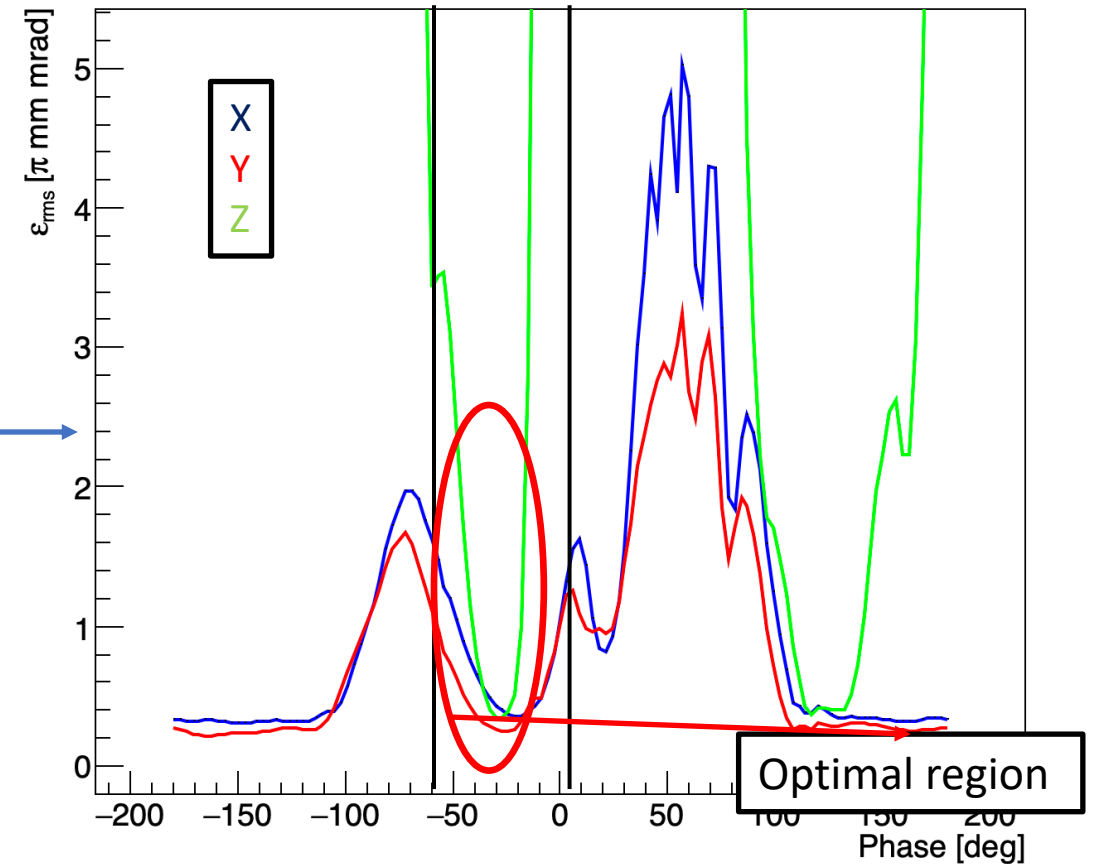
Full beam simulation – DLS1

- As we did in the preliminary analysis with reference particle with need to scan over the

P vs Phase



ϵ_{rms} vs Phase

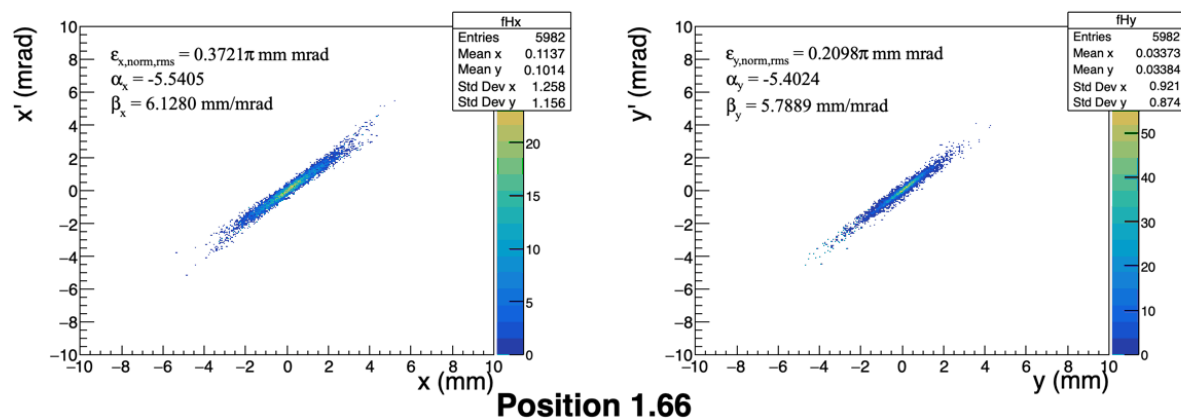




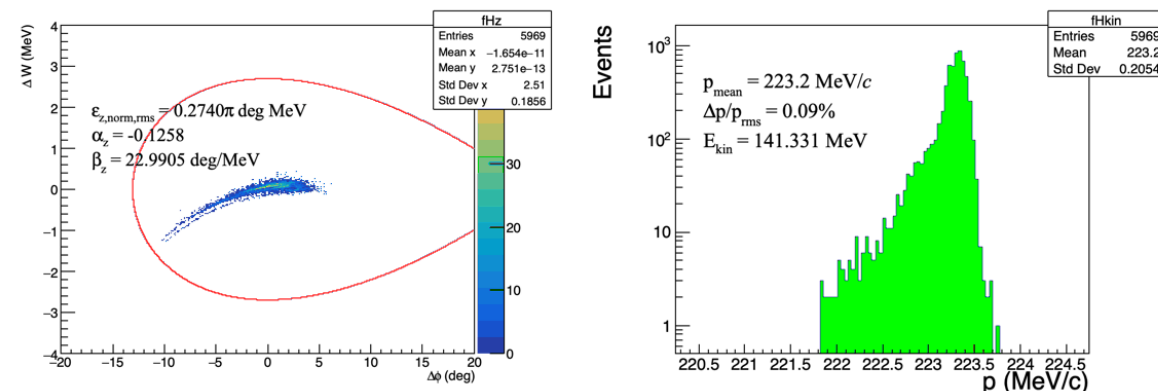
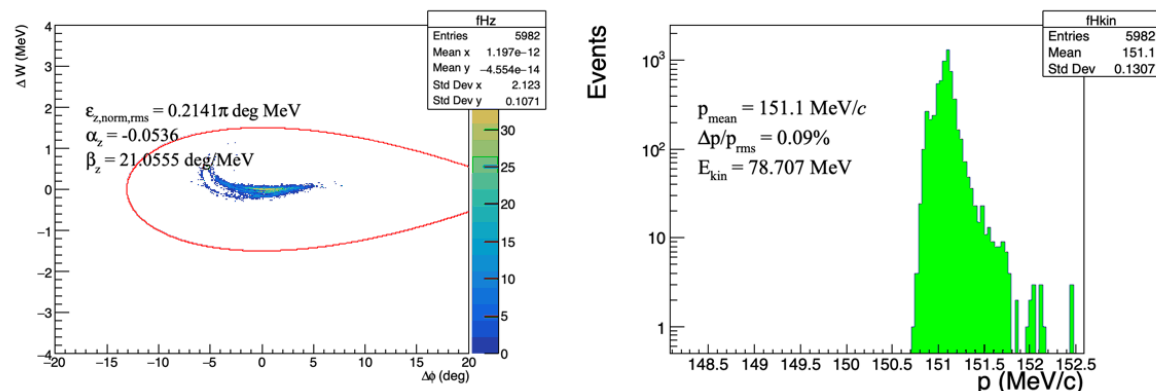
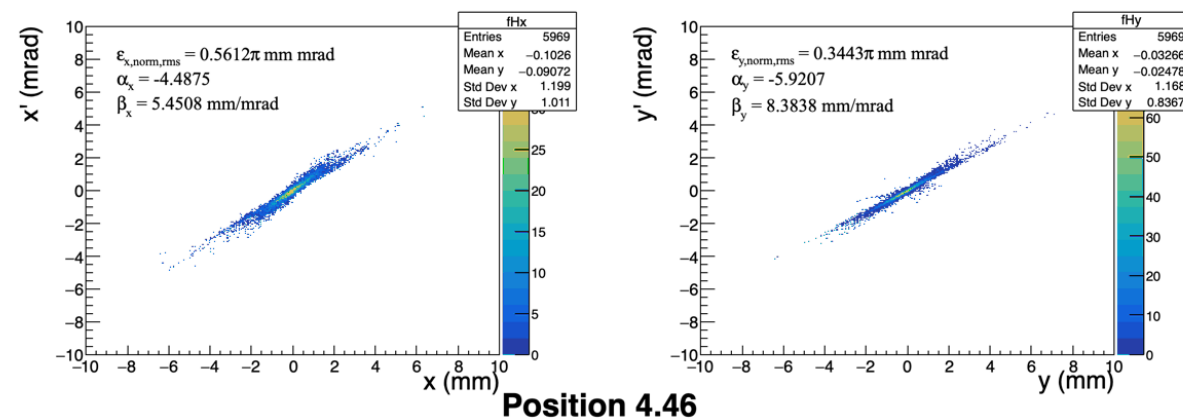
Full beam simulation – phase scan

- The phase scan is done for all the tanks.

DLS1 exit



DLS2 exit

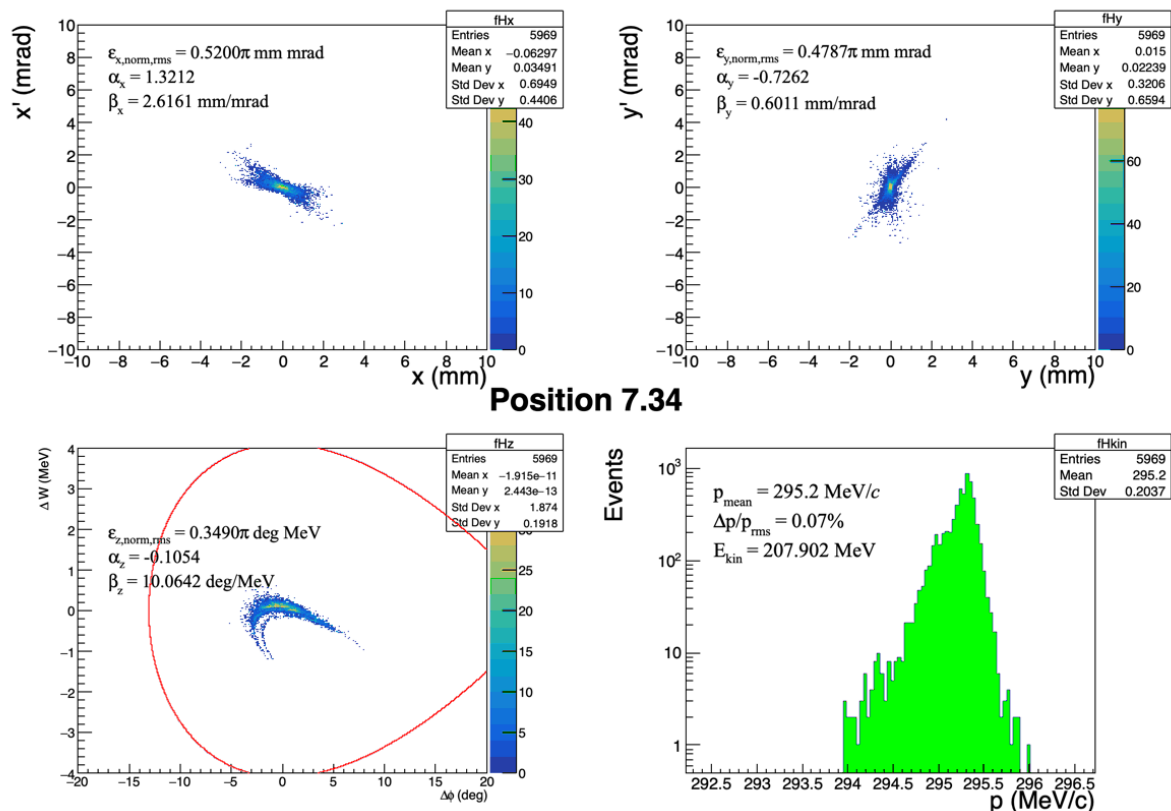




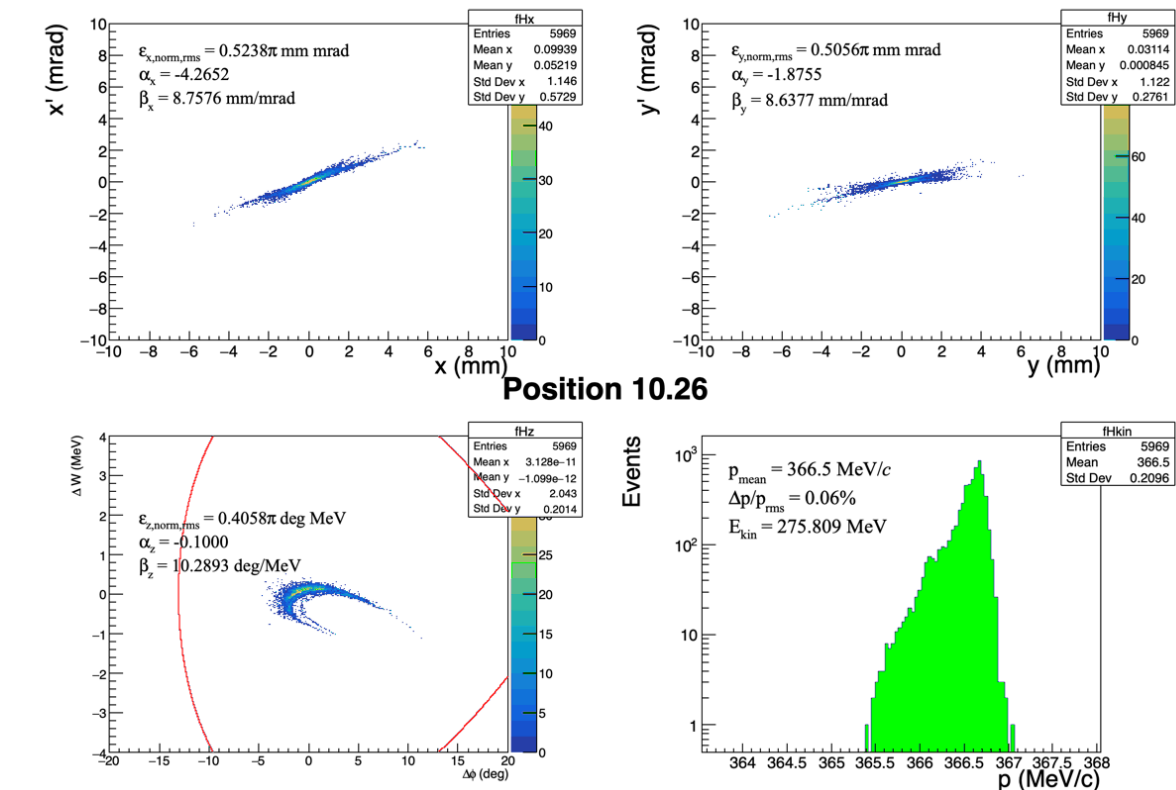
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DLS3 exit



DLS4 exit

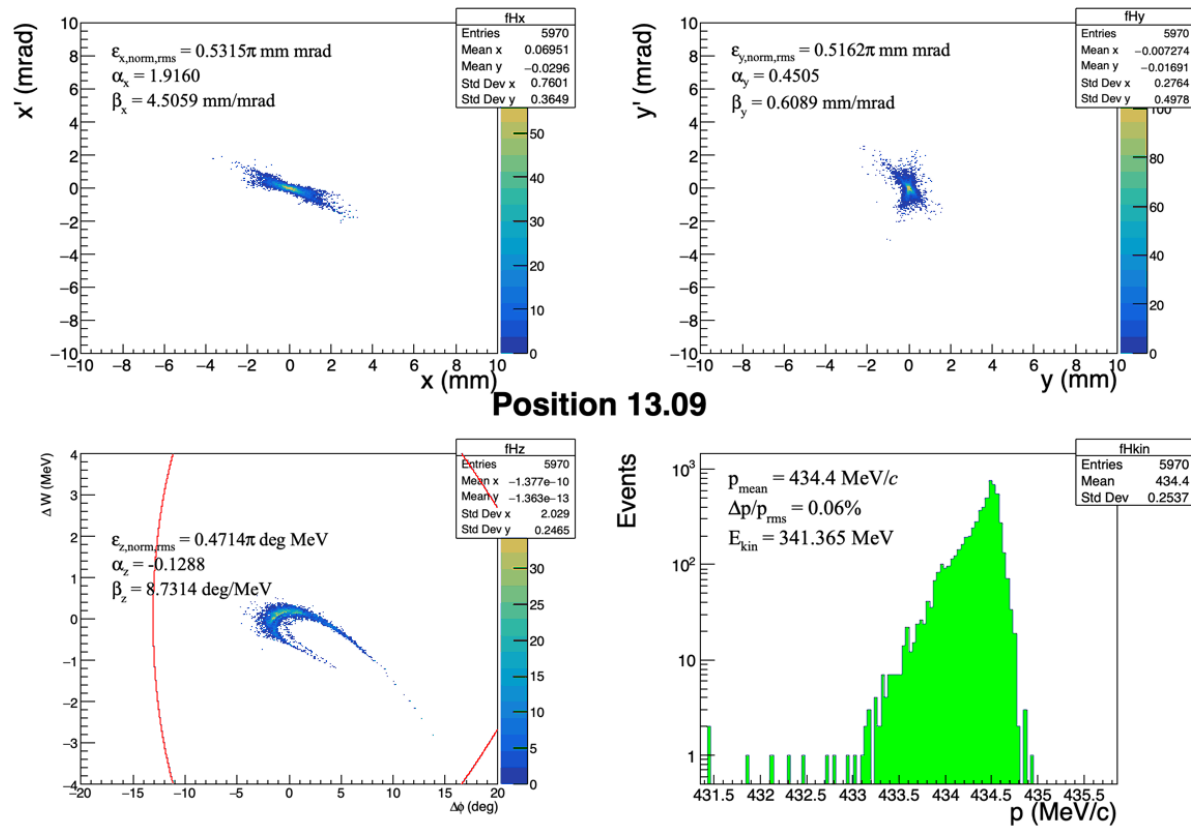




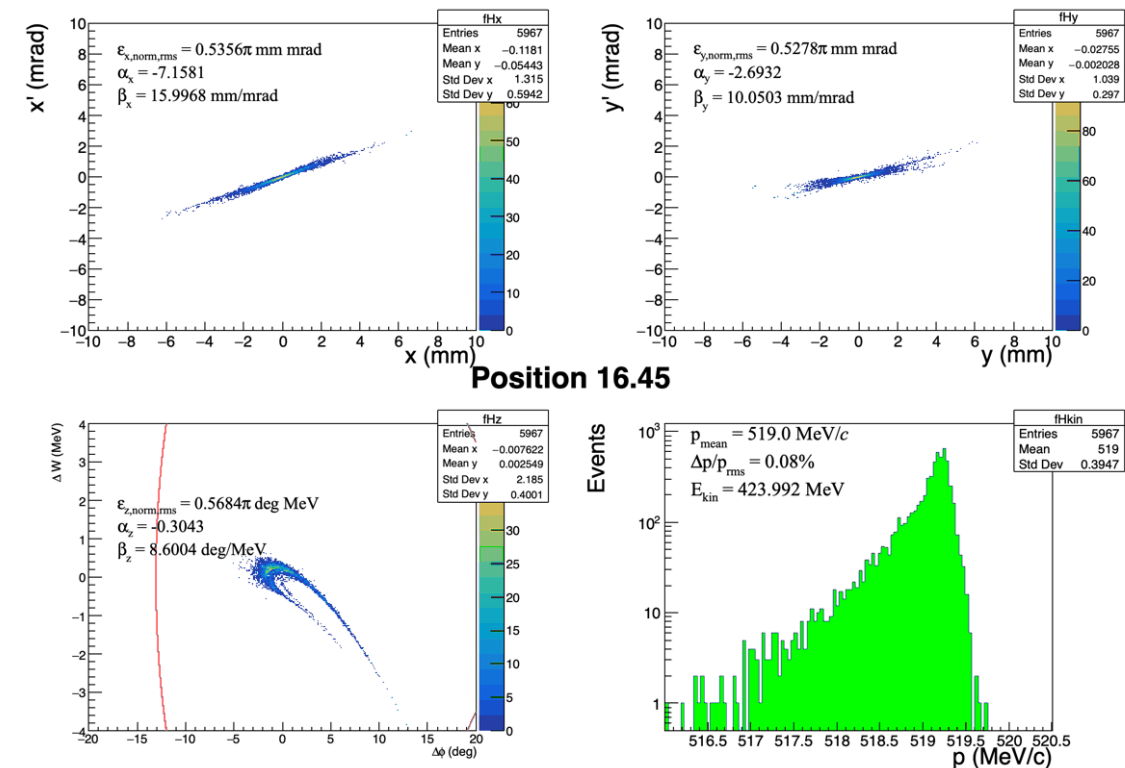
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DLS5 exit



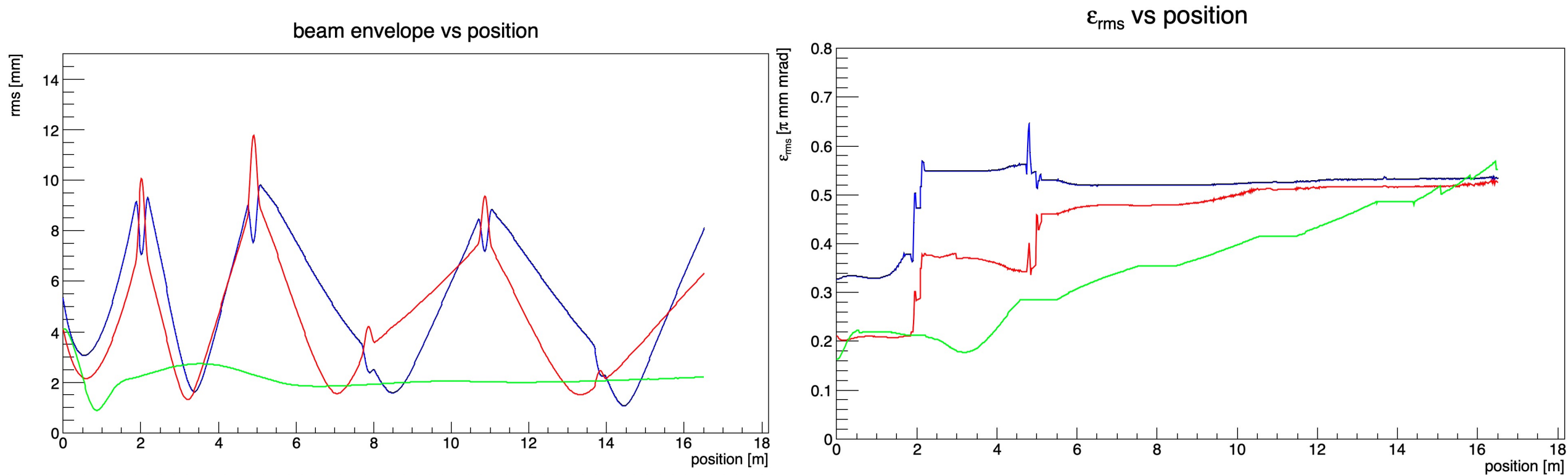
DLS6 exit





Full beam simulation

- Here is the evolution of the beam as function of position:

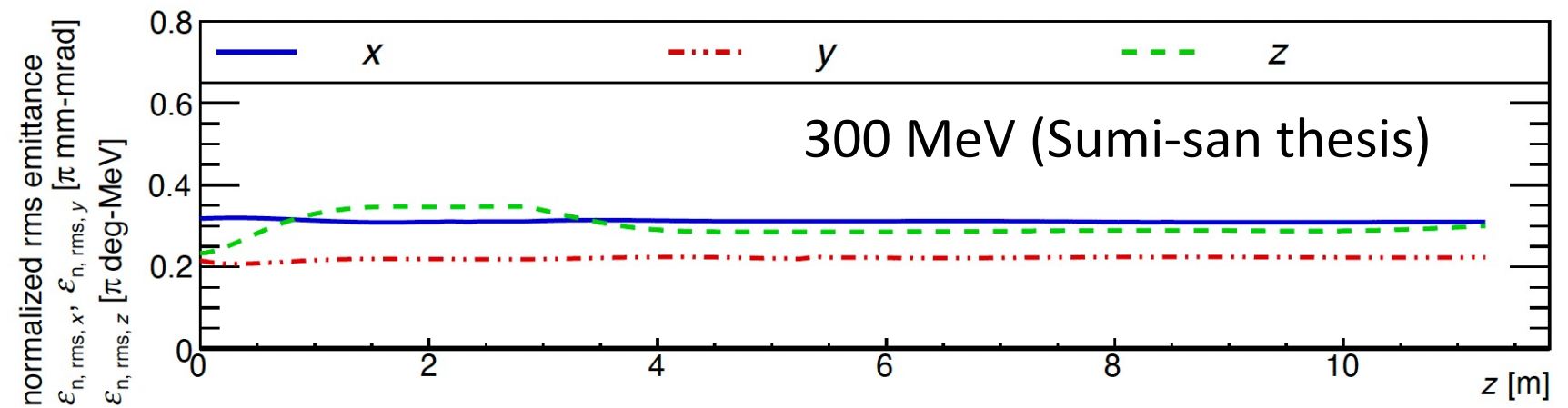
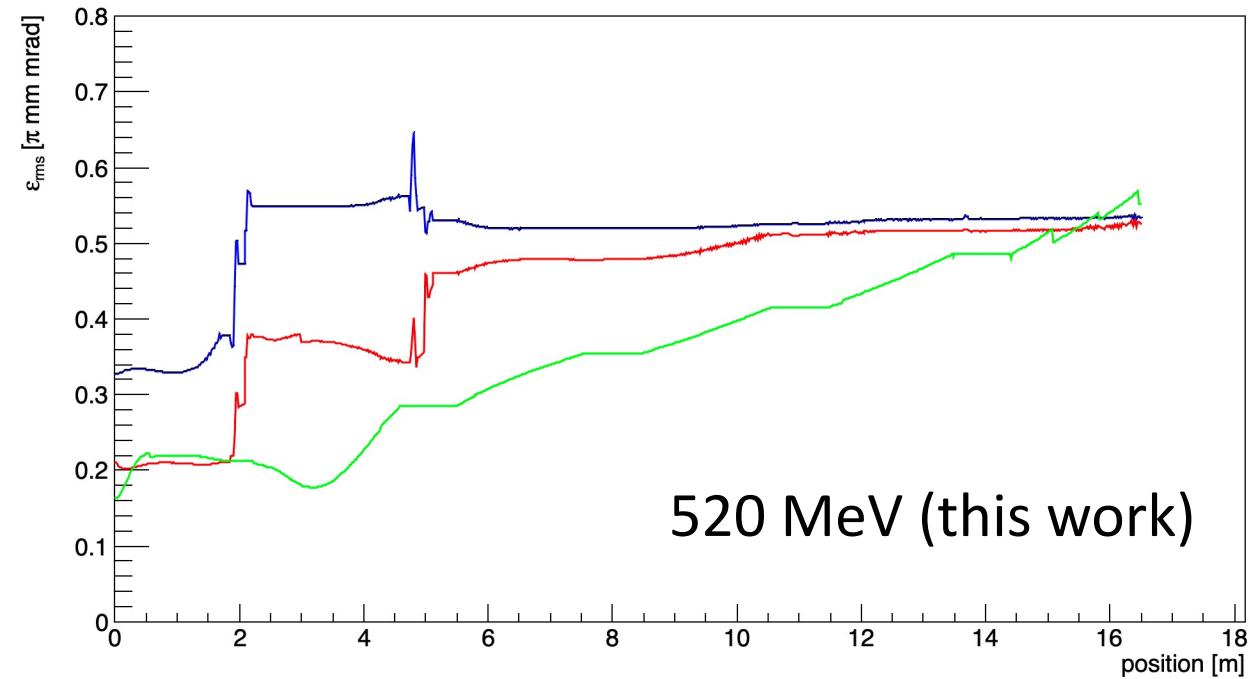


- The beam envelope shows mismatch show some mismatch that needs to be correct with a further tuning. This will also reduce the emittance growth.



Full beam simulation

ϵ_{rms} vs position

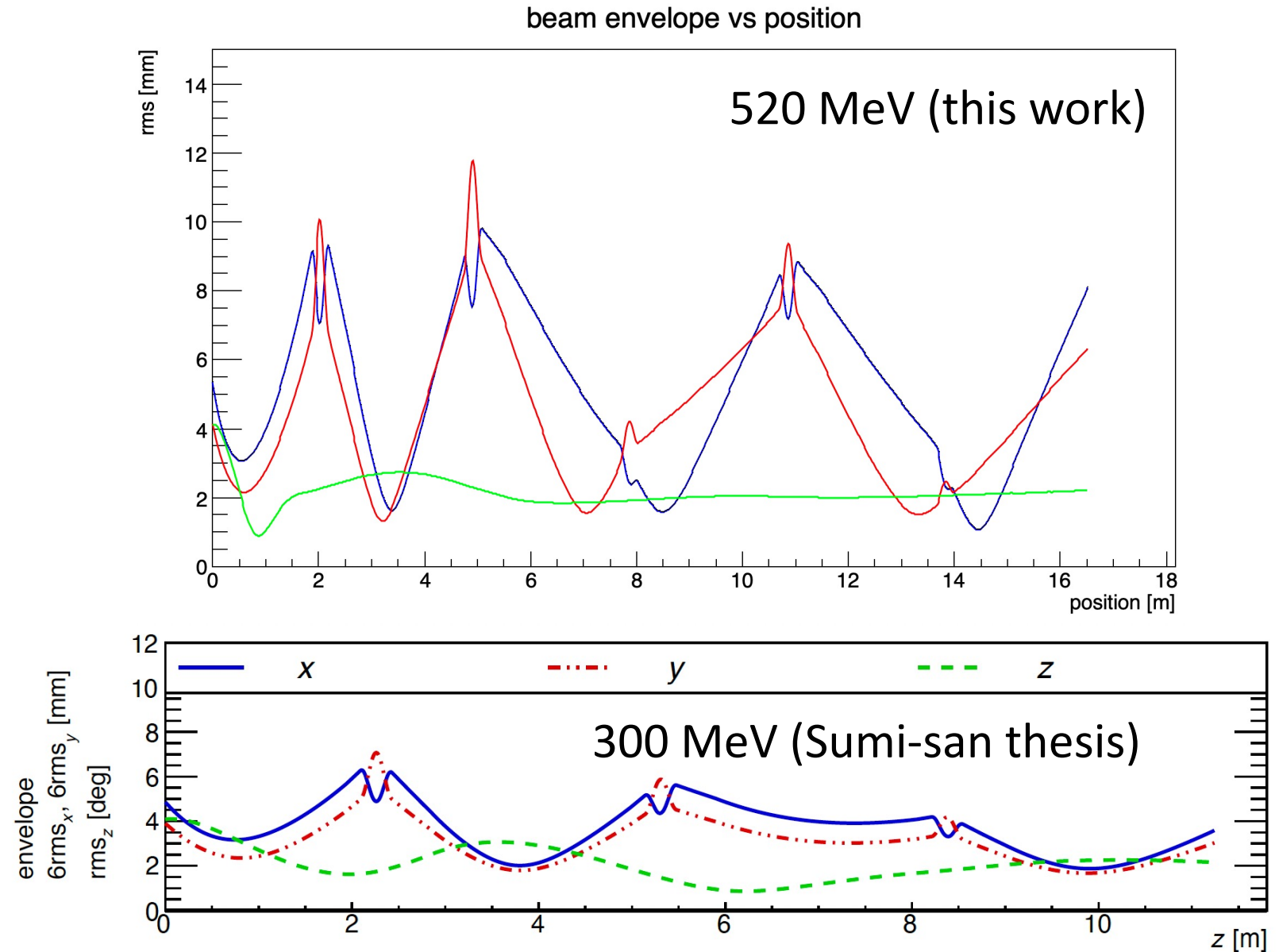


- Here is the comparison of ϵ_{rms} vs position wrt the 300 MeV case:



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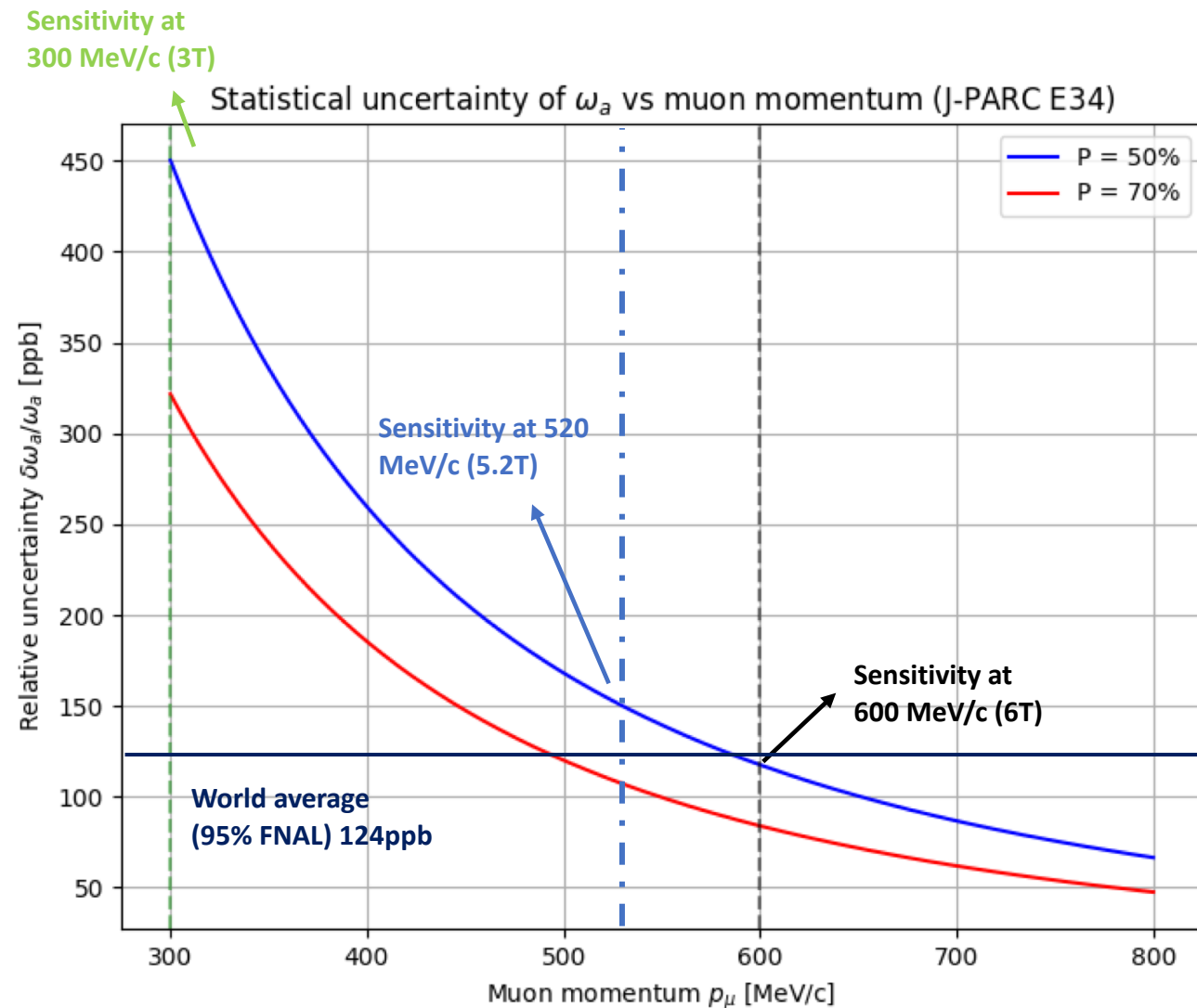
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New momentum

- The aimed momentum for this study was 600 MeV/c;
- With this configuration we reached about **520 MeV/c**;
- Current energy already allow us to reach **150 ppb** and improve by **factor 3** the current design;



[<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2512.20335>]



Next steps

- A **finer tuning** is needed to have a better beam match;
 - This will **fix the increase of emittance**.
- We need to further study the transverse beam dynamics;
- Given that we are a bit limited by space/power, we are thinking about other configuration that can bring us to a higher energy;
- Once the best configuration is finalized Takeuchi-san and Nakazawa-san will join the effort for detailed design such as the 3D cavity design etc



Conclusion

- A first configuration for the DLS at higher energy has been produced.
- We managed to accelerate muons up to **520 MeV!**
- With current design we could aim to improve the current design by 3 times, projected statistical error of **~150 ppb**.
 - Investigation is still ongoing to improve the current value towards the final precision
- Finally, we want to refine and finalize the current design to have a smooth acceleration.