

# Electromagnetic characterization of big aperture magnet used in particle beam cancer therapy

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# General overview

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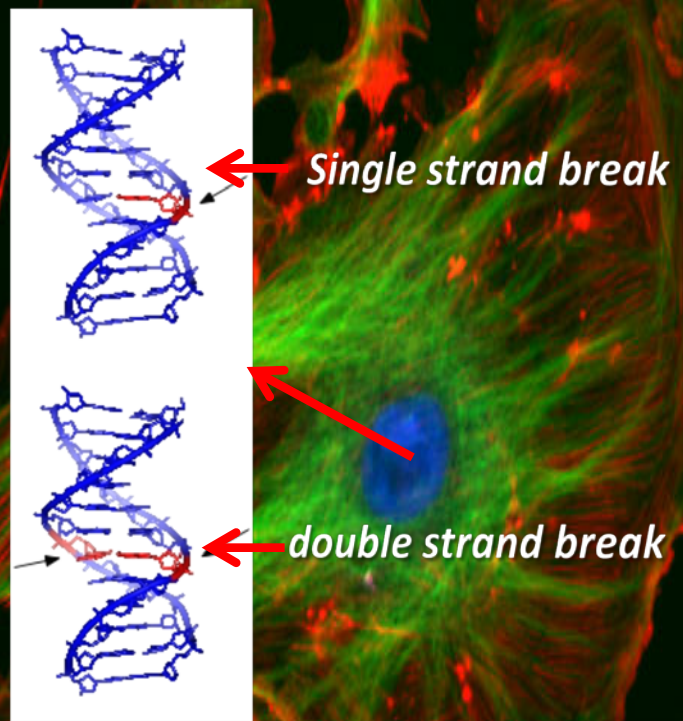
# Particle beam cancer therapy is:



The external proton, ion or neutron beam irradiation to **tumor cancer cells**

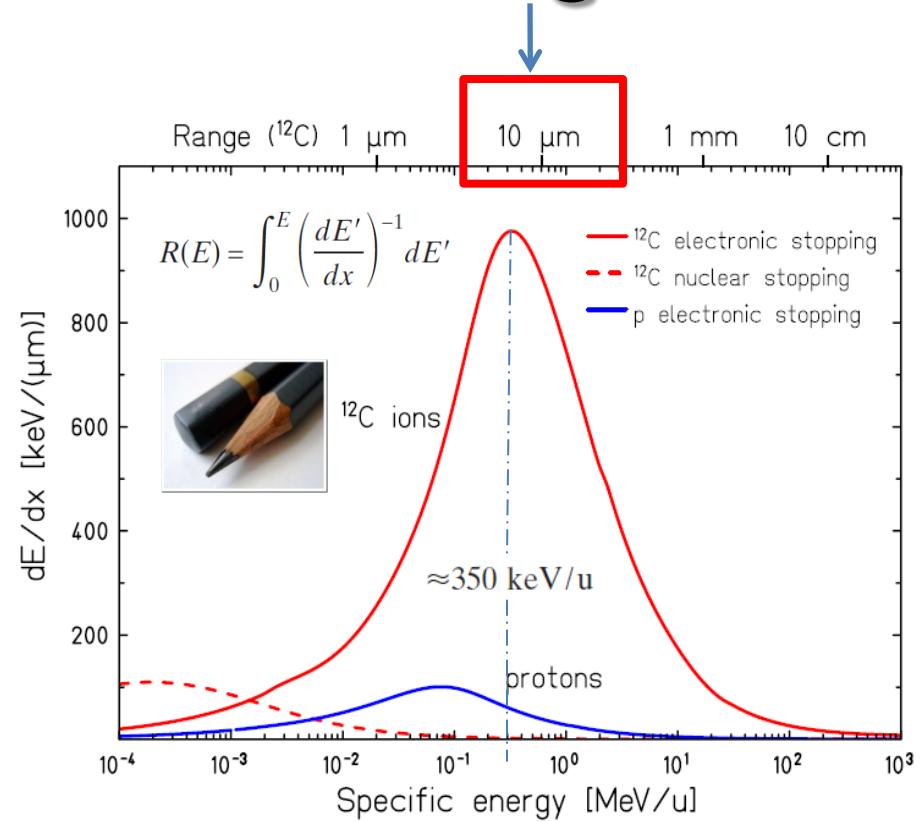
# Introduction

The tumor cell damage depends on the number of single and double strand breaks in DNA structure.



If the tumor tissue is irradiated with ions like

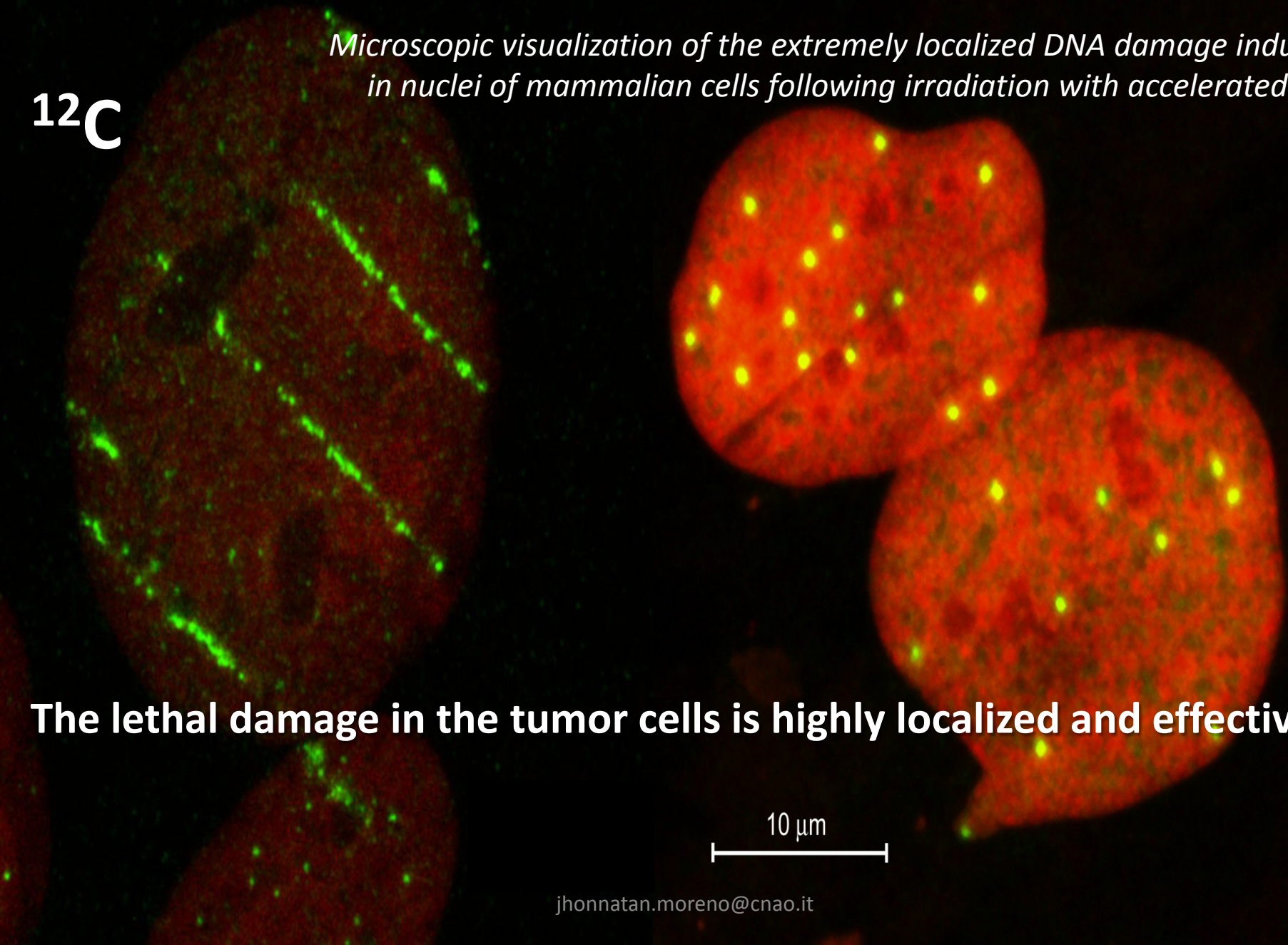
**<sup>12</sup>C**



# Introduction

*Microscopic visualization of the extremely localized DNA damage induced in nuclei of mammalian cells following irradiation with accelerated ions*

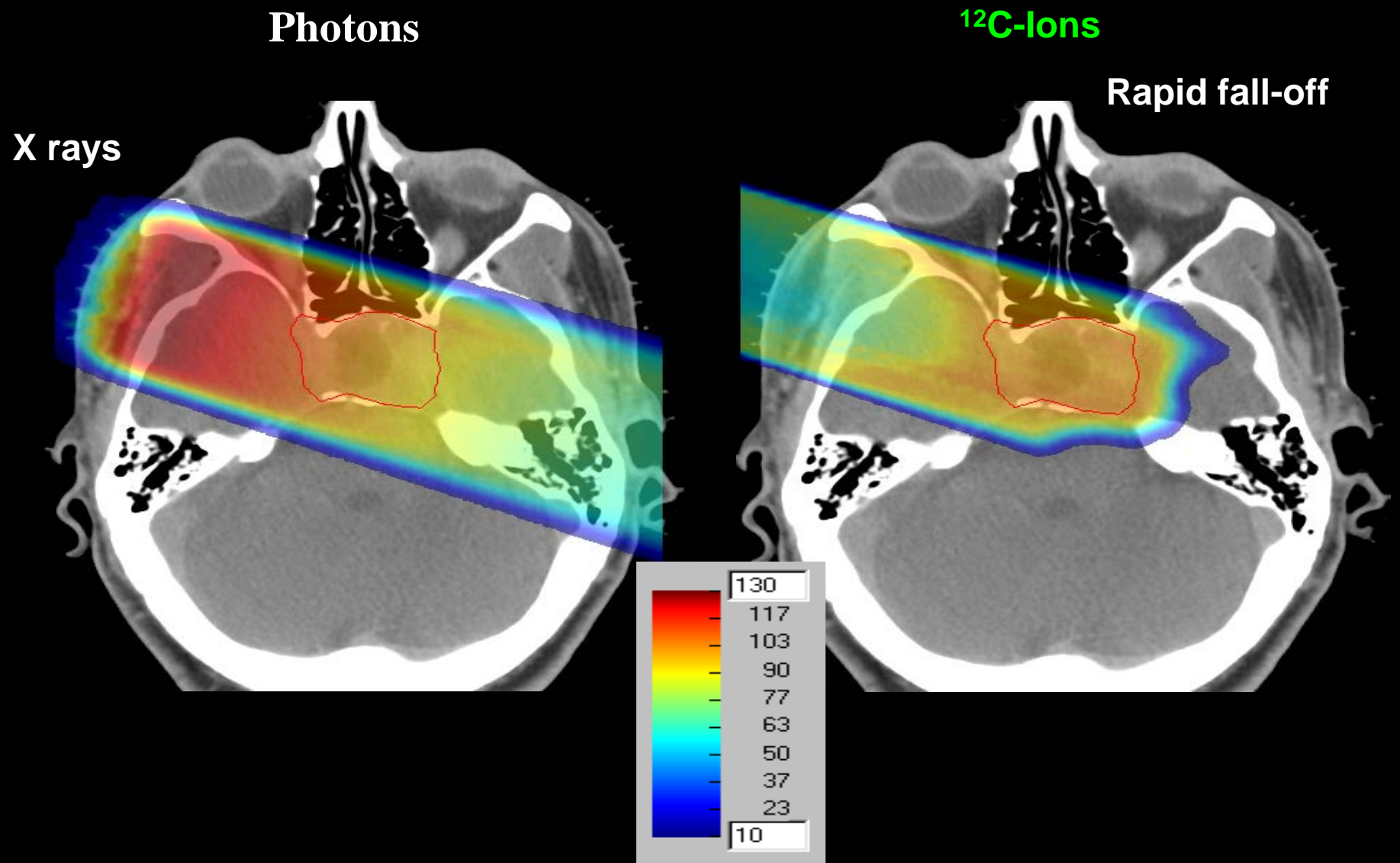
**$^{12}\text{C}$**



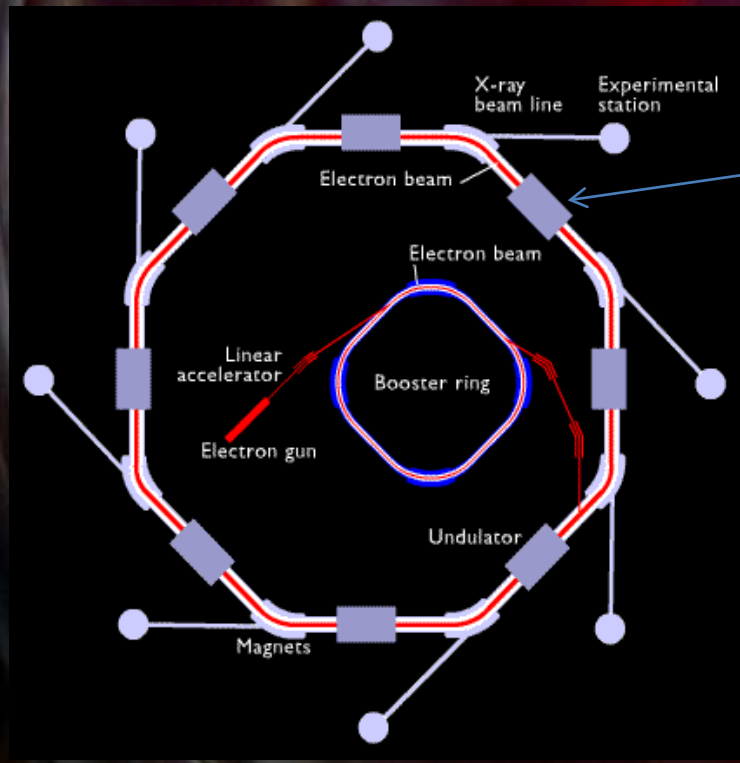
**The lethal damage in the tumor cells is highly localized and effective**

10  $\mu\text{m}$

# The particles irradiation fields have a favorable depth dose profile

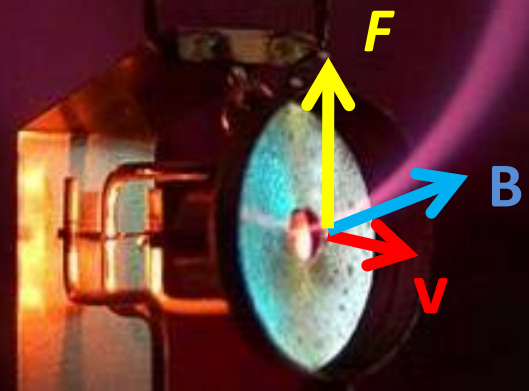


**Highly homogeneous** magnetic fields are used to control and direct the ion beam towards the patient



Bending magnets

Lorentz Force  
 $\vec{F} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$



Synchrotron

## Lorentz Force

$$\vec{F} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

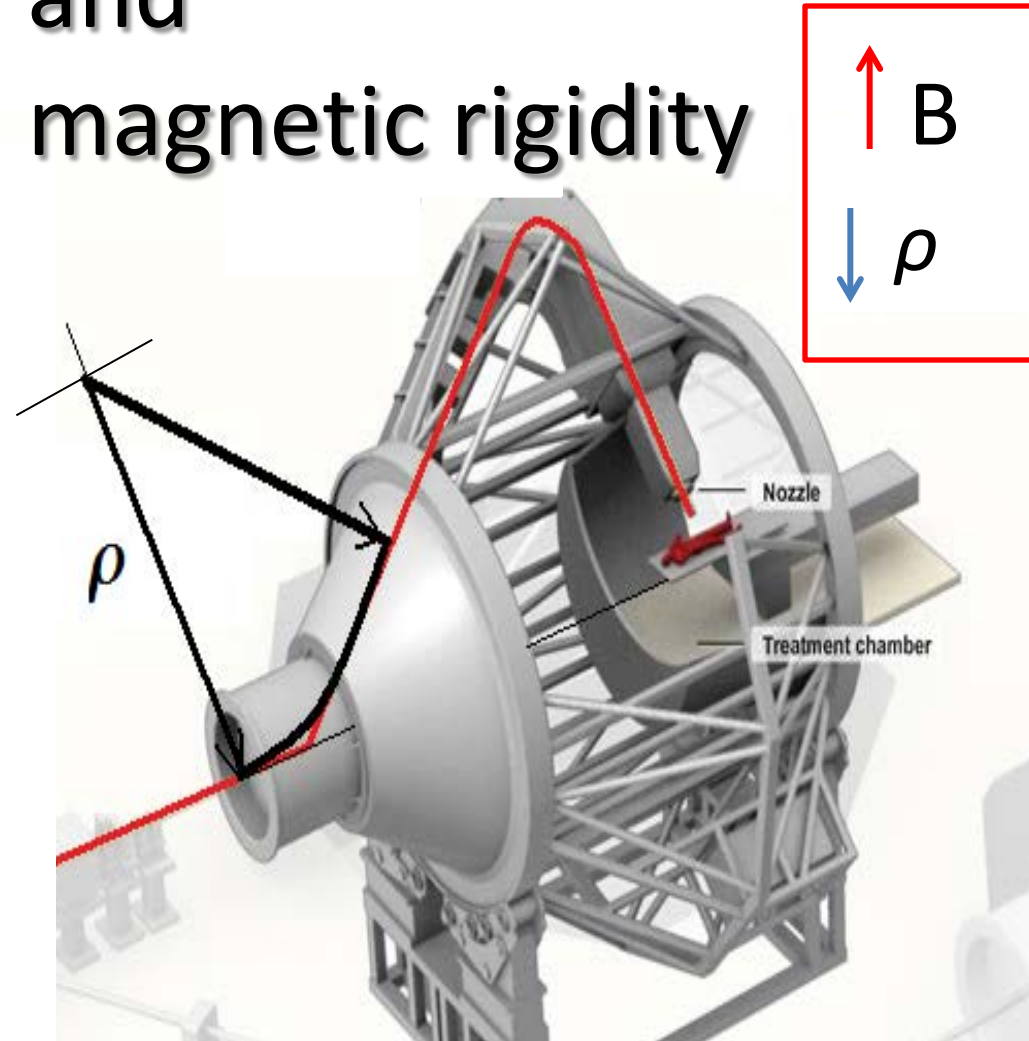
$$evB = m \frac{v^2}{\rho} \rightarrow B\rho(\text{Tm}) = \frac{pc}{ec}$$

Magnetic rigidity

$$B\rho(\text{Tm}) = \frac{\sqrt{2E_0E_{kin} + E_{kin}^2}}{ec}$$

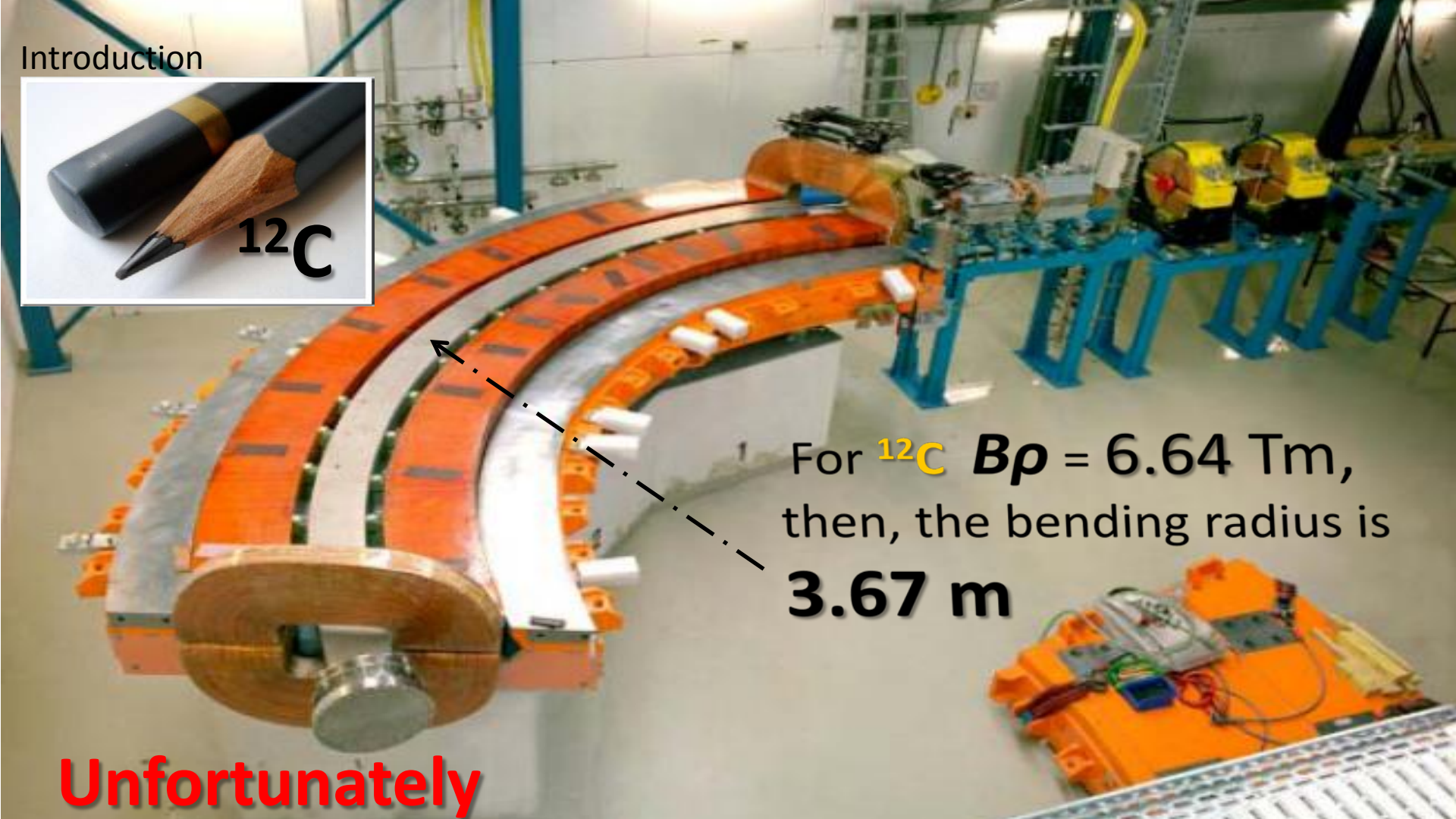
Carbon ion treatments require  
**430 MeV/u (~27 cm in depth)**  
 to be clinically useful

# Bending radius ( $\rho$ ) and magnetic rigidity





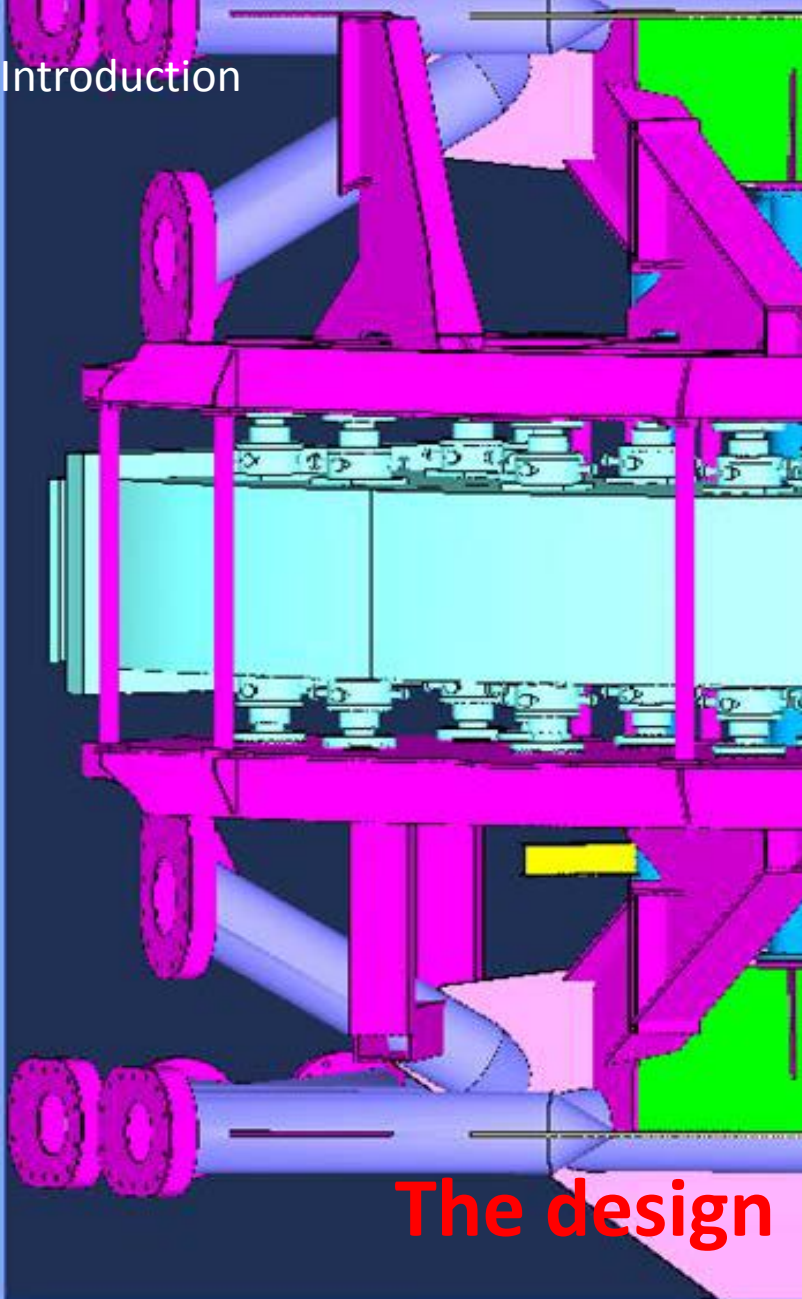
## Introduction



For  $^{12}\text{C}$   $B\rho = 6.64 \text{ Tm}$ ,  
then, the bending radius is  
**3.67 m**

**Unfortunately**

The iron-dominated magnets only reach about  $B=1.8\text{T}$  of maximum magnetic field (B) without losing the optimal conditions for ion beam transport.

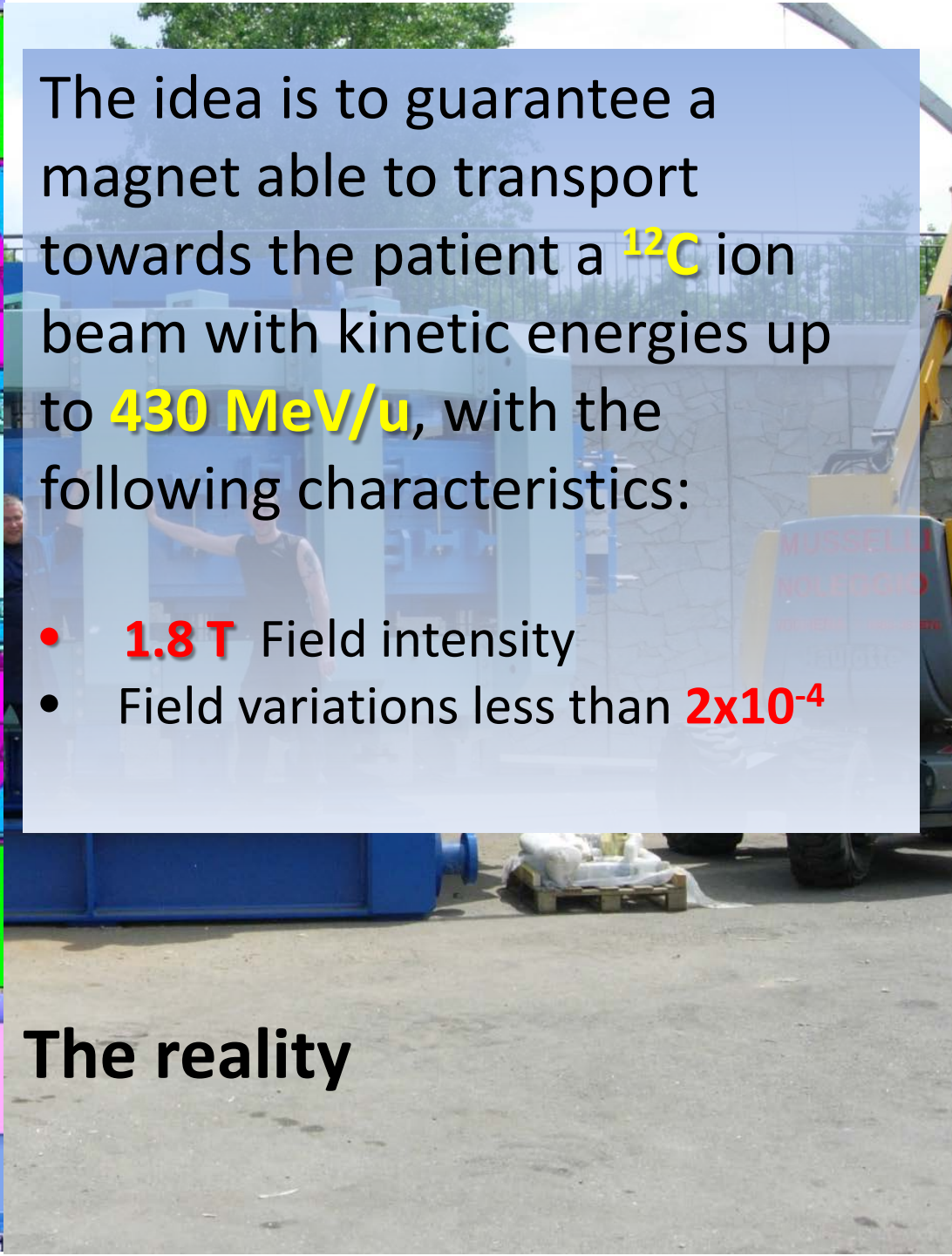


The design

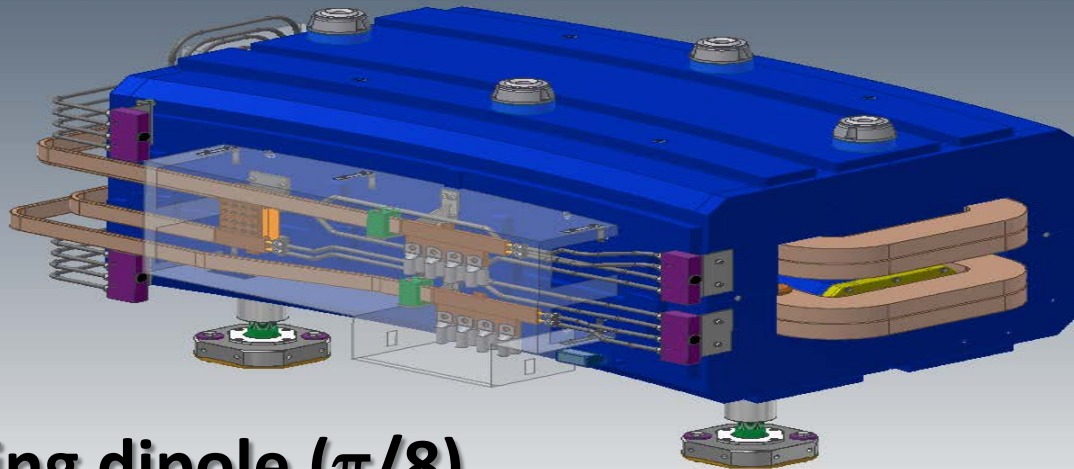
The idea is to guarantee a magnet able to transport towards the patient a  $^{12}\text{C}$  ion beam with kinetic energies up to **430 MeV/u**, with the following characteristics:

- **1.8 T** Field intensity
- Field variations less than  **$2 \times 10^{-4}$**

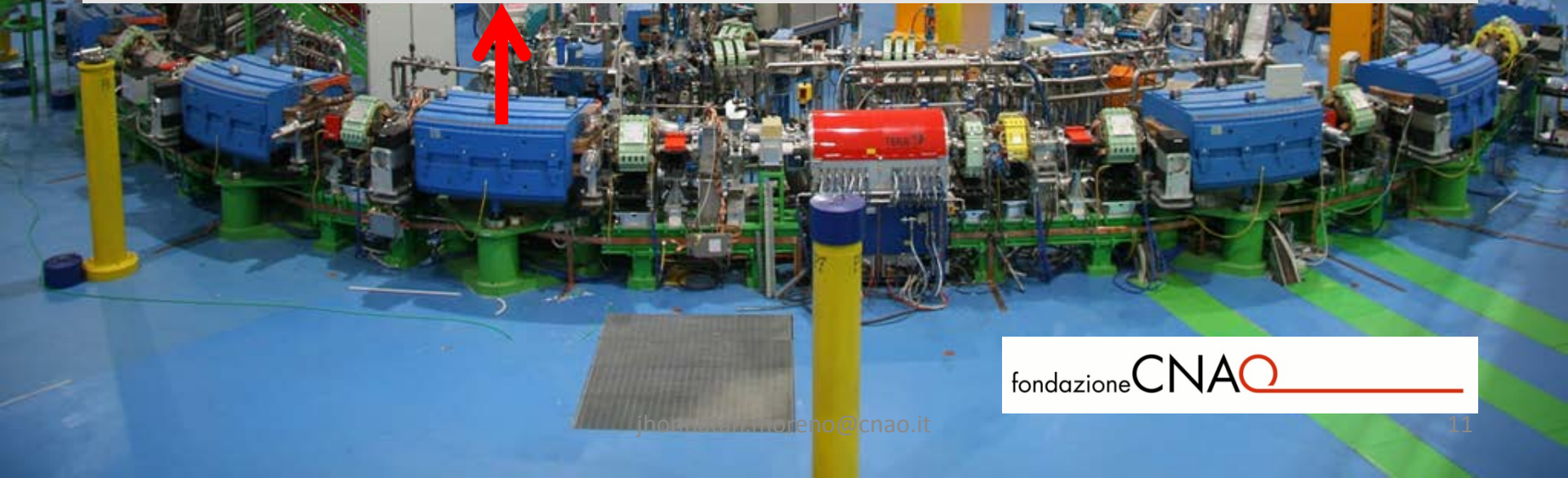
The reality



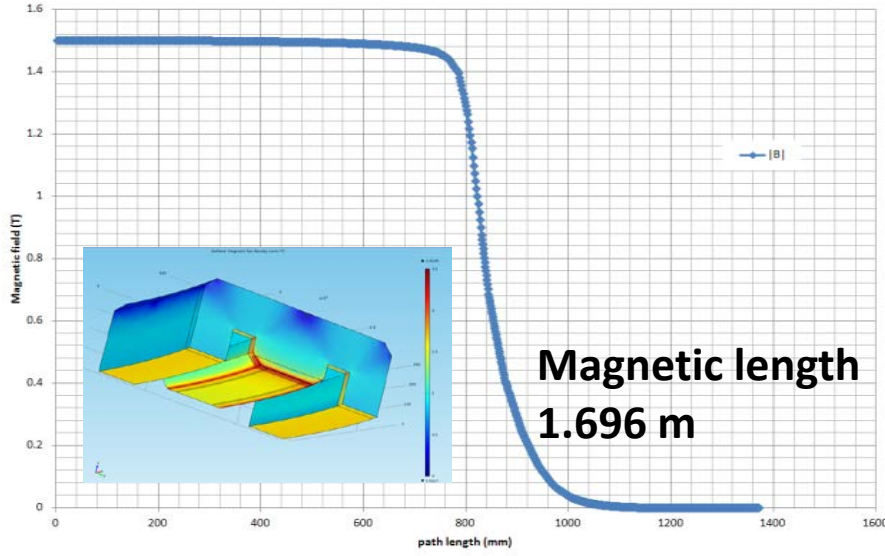
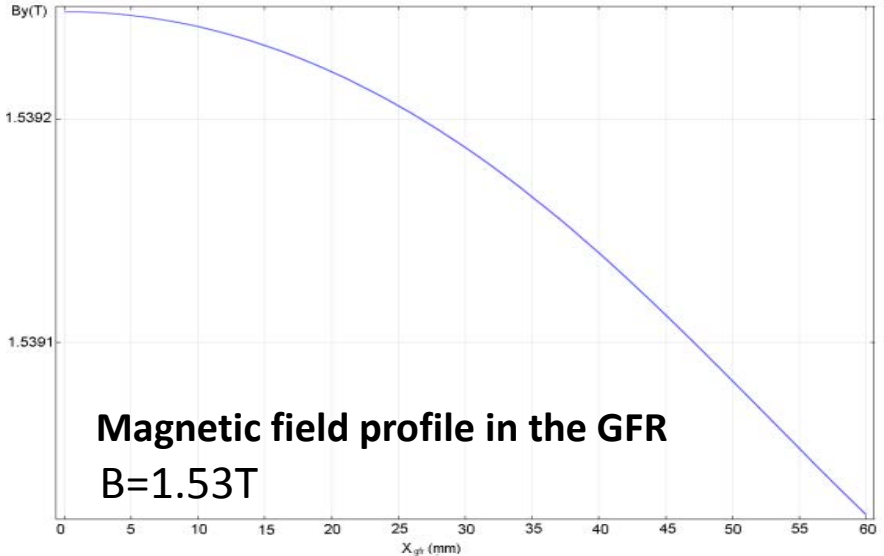
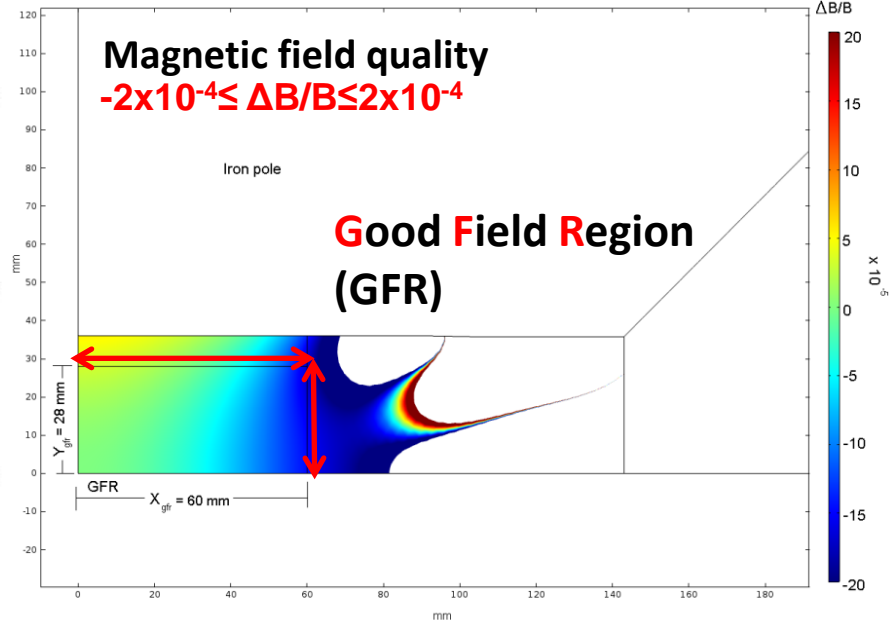
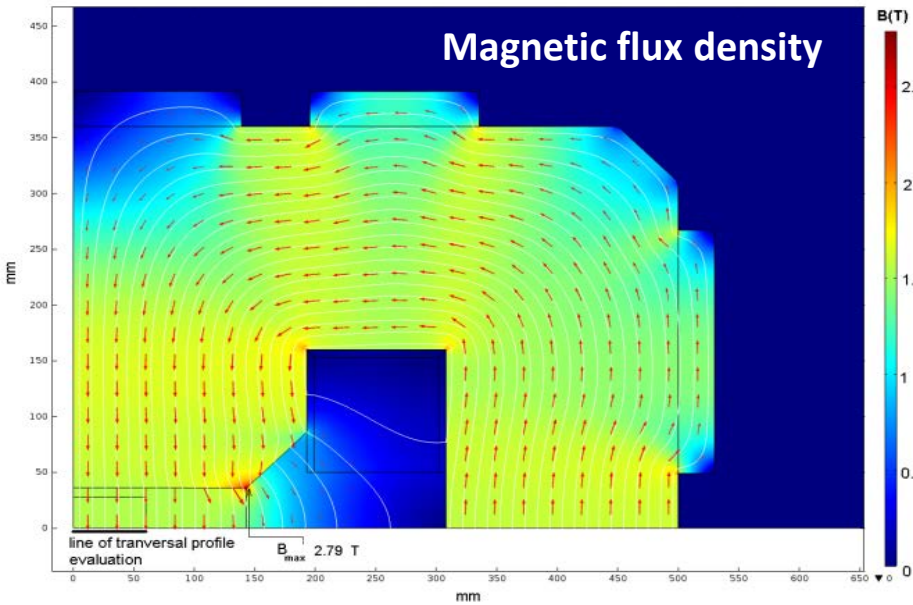
# Validation of COMSOL simulations



 **Bending dipole ( $\pi/8$ )**

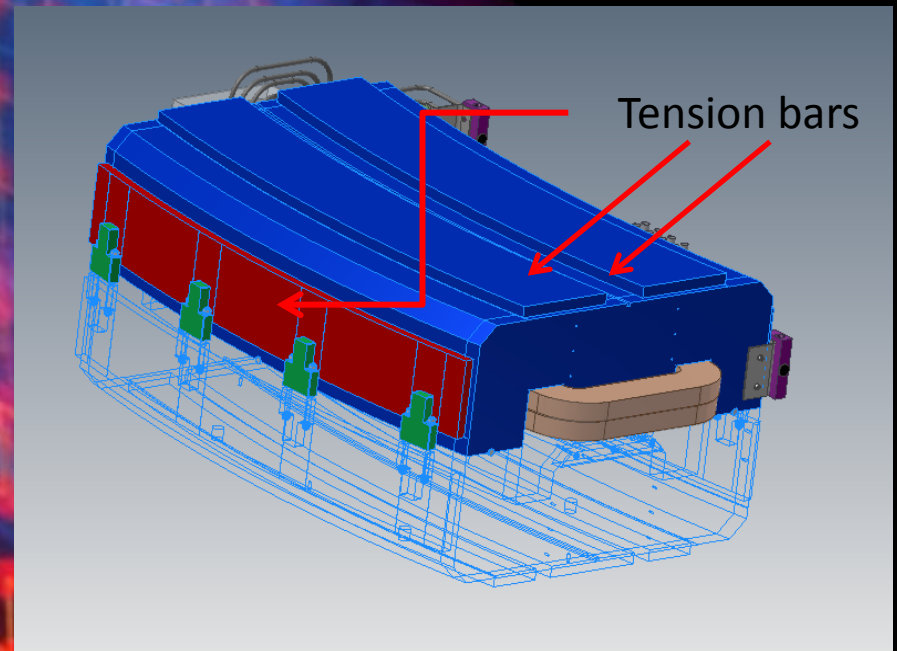
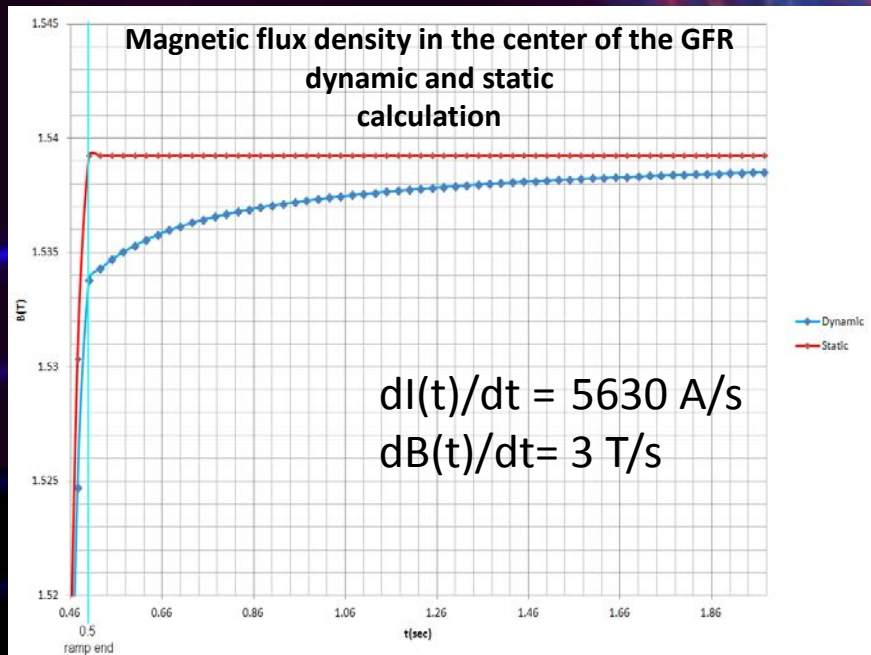


# Static Simulations



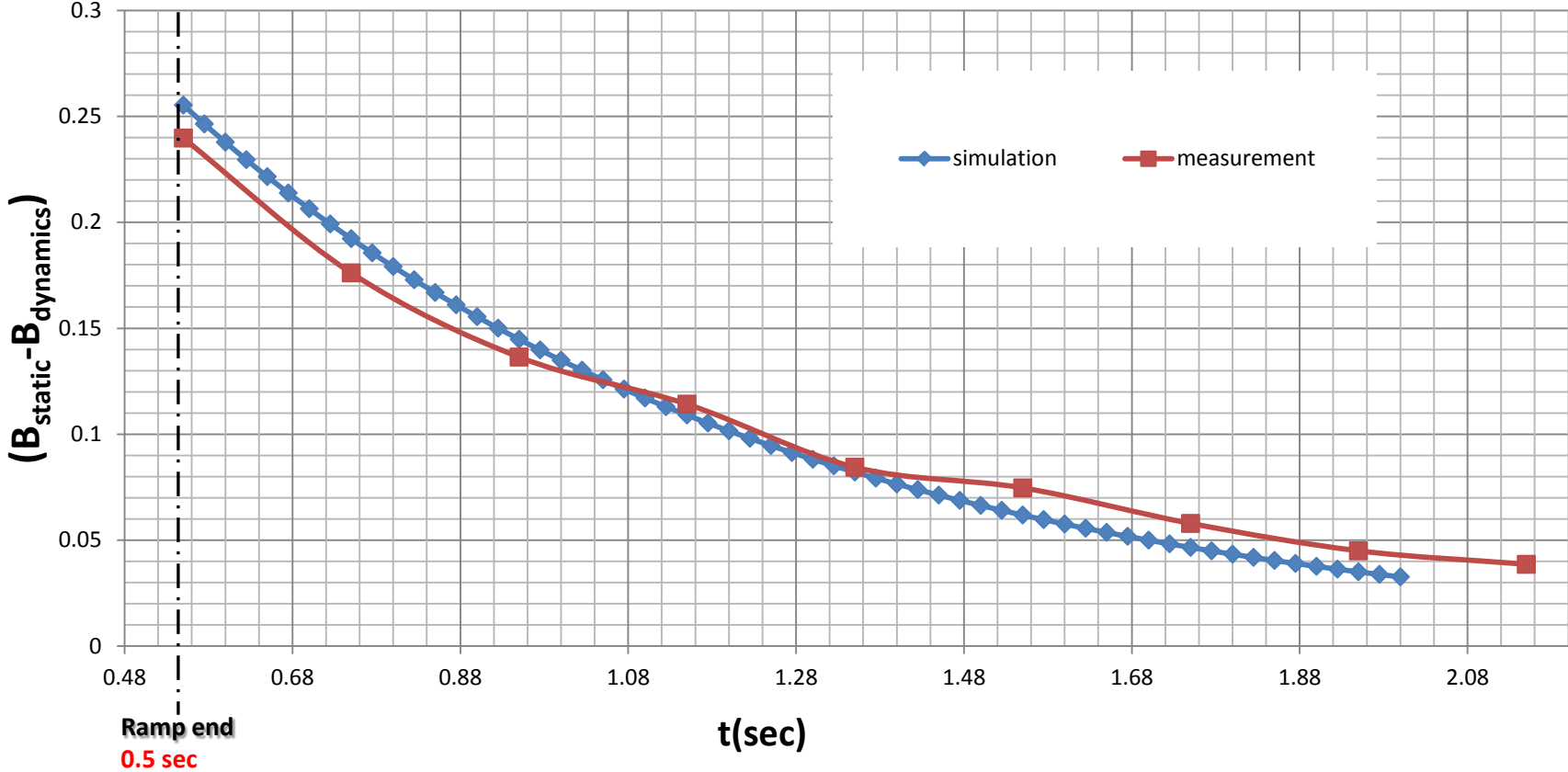
## Time dependent calculations

The energy beam variations during the treatment require variations in the magnetic field strength of every magnetic element in the gantry line.



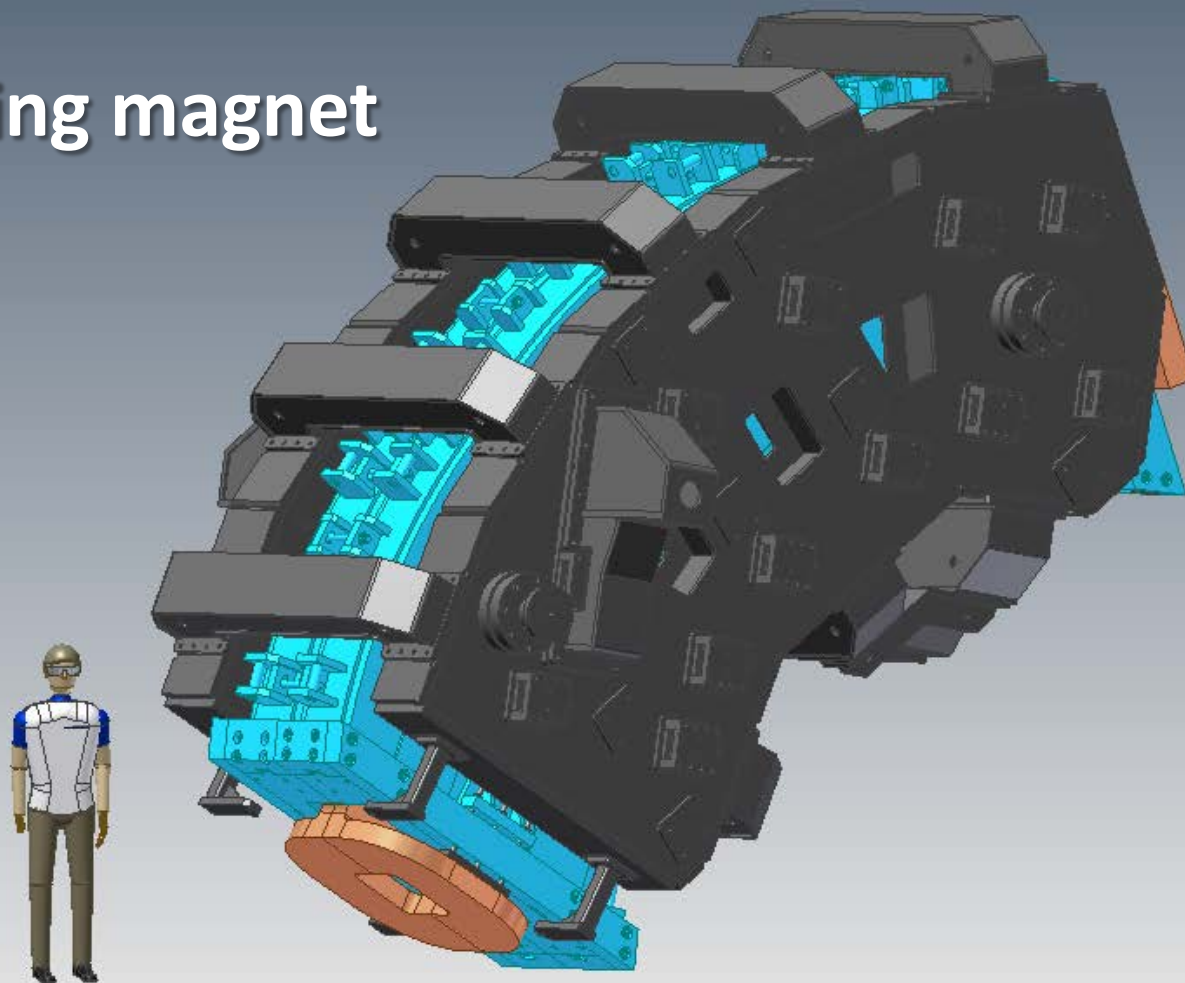
*To validate the COMSOL calculations a comparison between dynamic measurements and simulations has been done*

# Time dependent calculations



The results show a good agreement between the calculated and the measured data

# 90° bending magnet

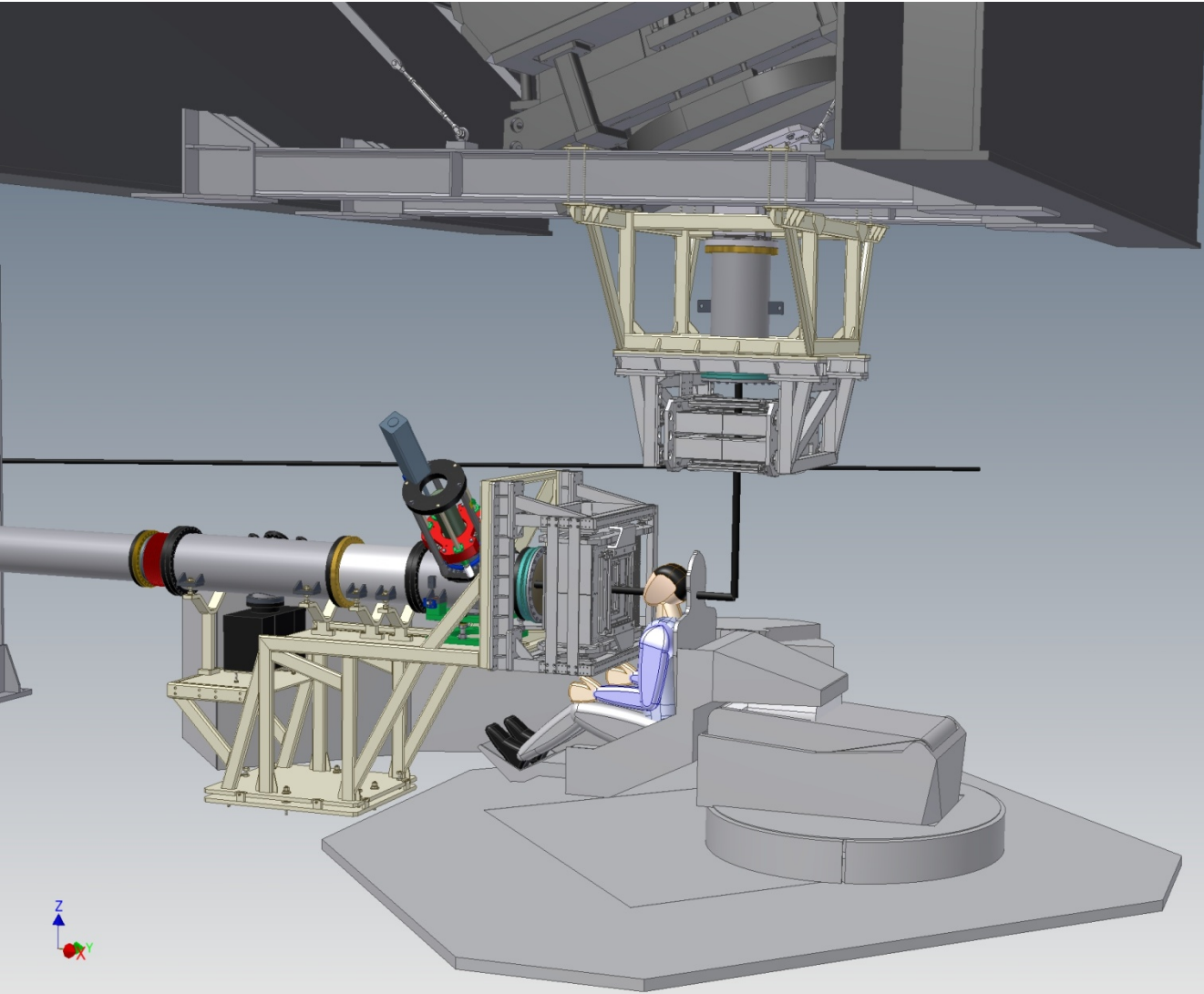


## Big aperture magnet characterization





# 90° bending magnet

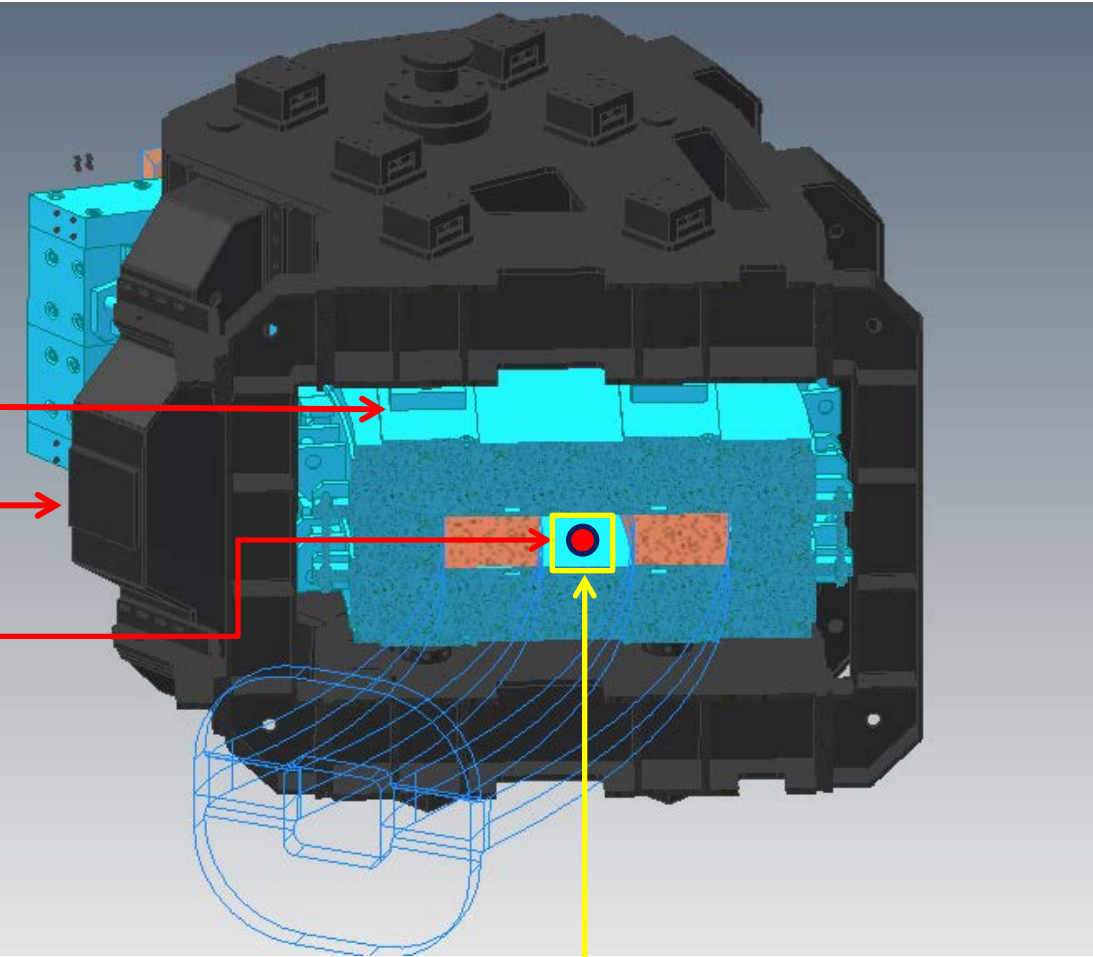


Schematic view of the treatment room

# Static Simulations

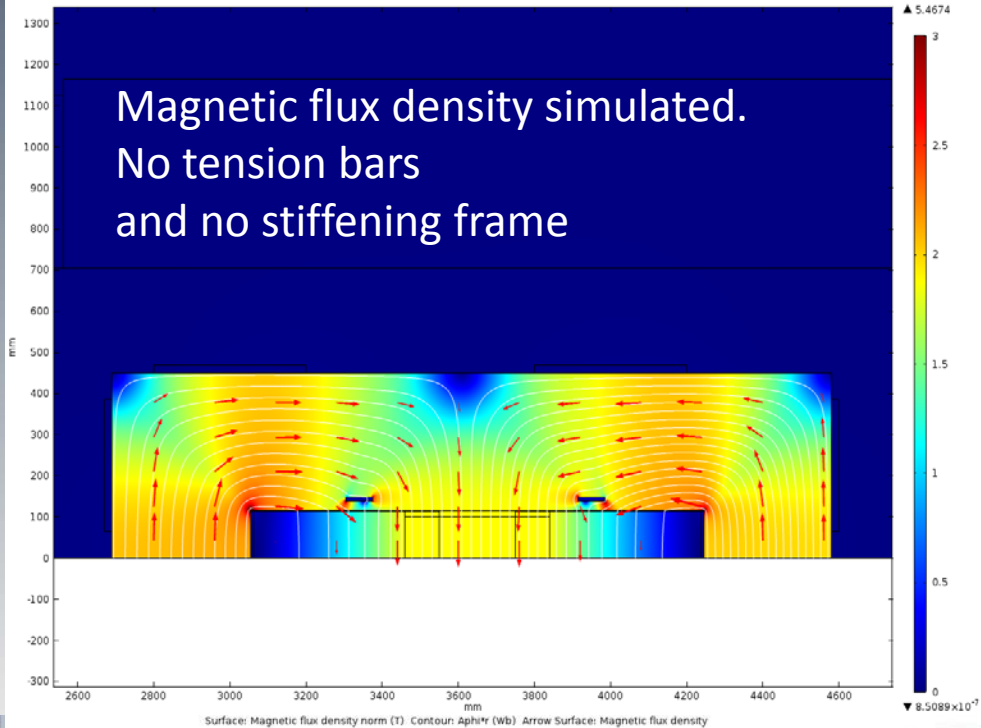
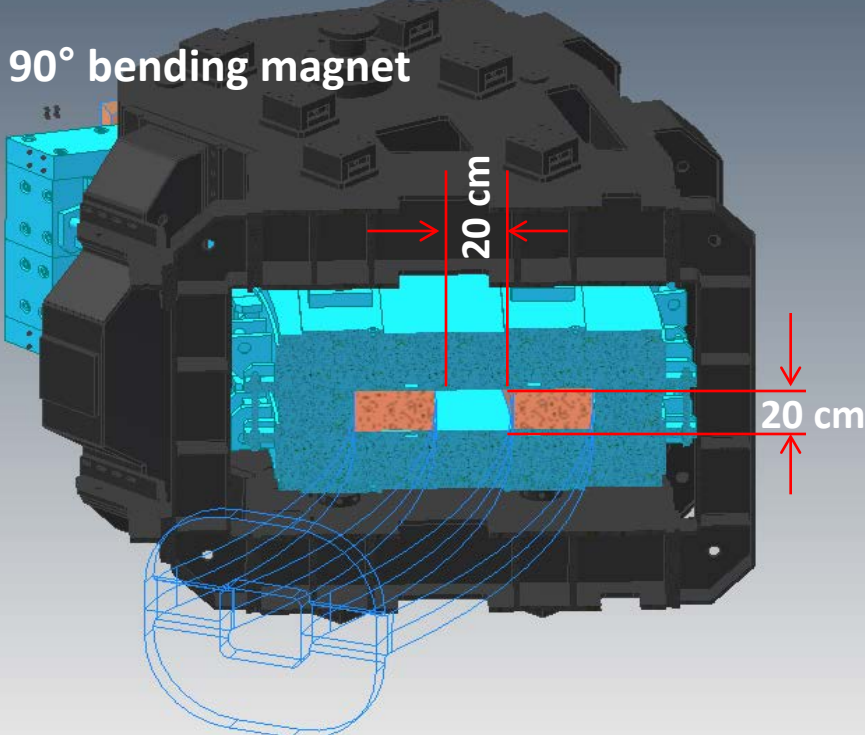
This magnet has some particular features:

- Tension bars
- Ferromagnetic stiffening frame
- Magnet weight: 82 tons
- GFR: 20 x 20 cm<sup>2</sup>
- Magnetic field quality requested in the GFR is  $\Delta B/B \leq 2 \times 10^{-4}$

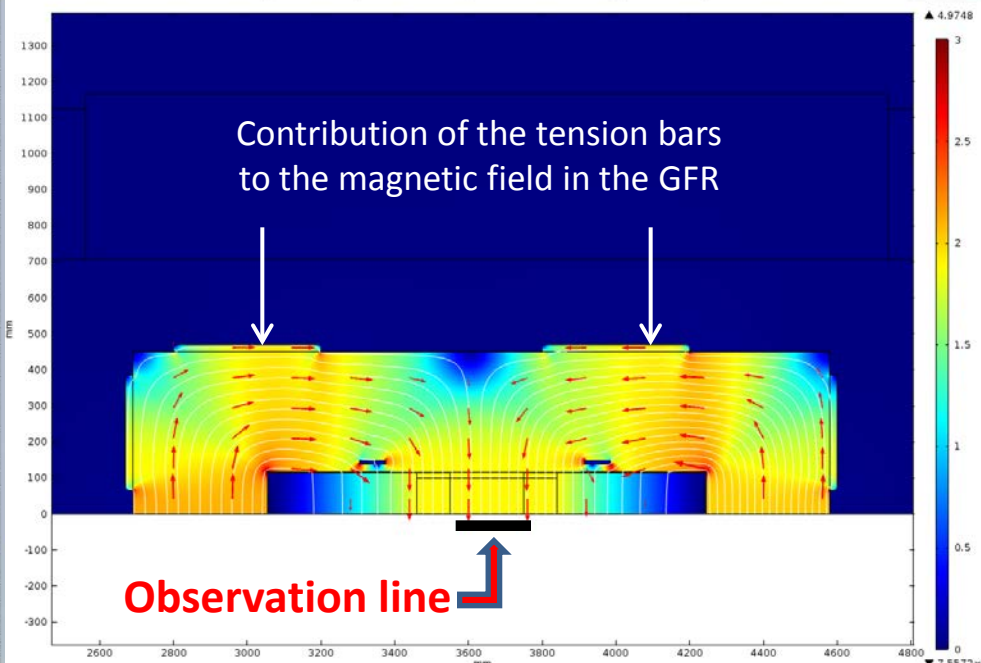
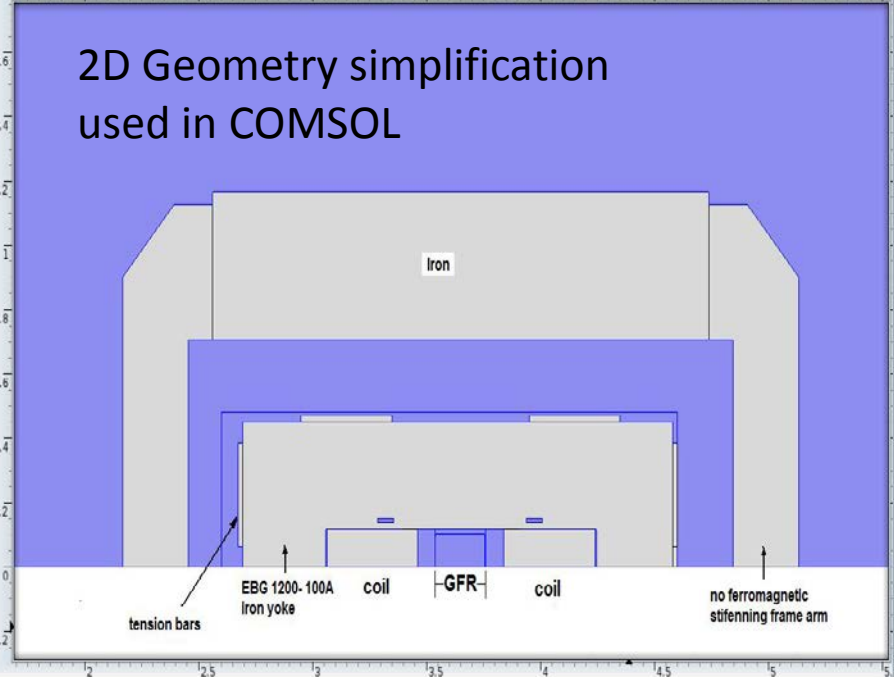


Magnetic field quality definition:  $\frac{\Delta B}{B} = \frac{B(x, y) - B_0(0, 0)}{B_0(0, 0)} \quad \forall x, y \in GFR$

# 90° bending magnet



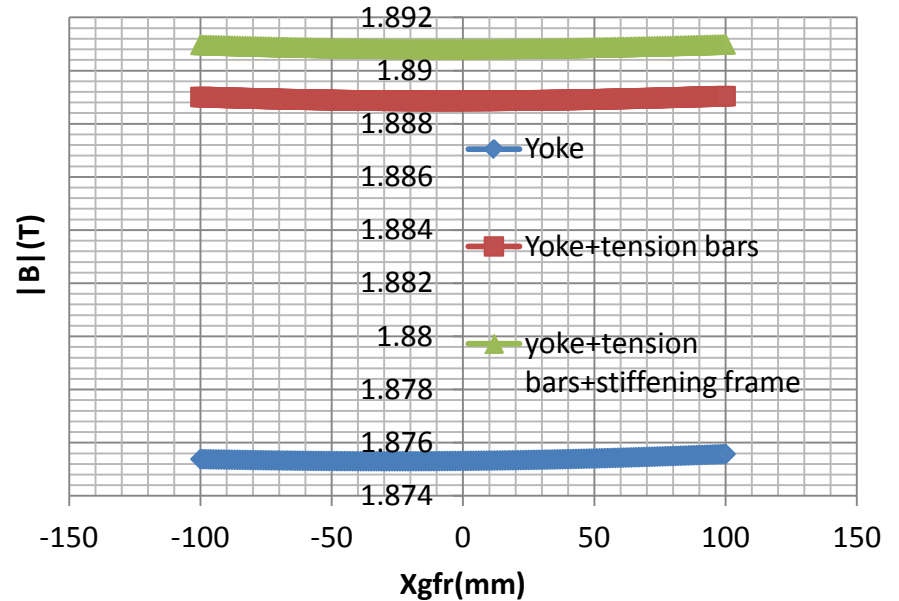
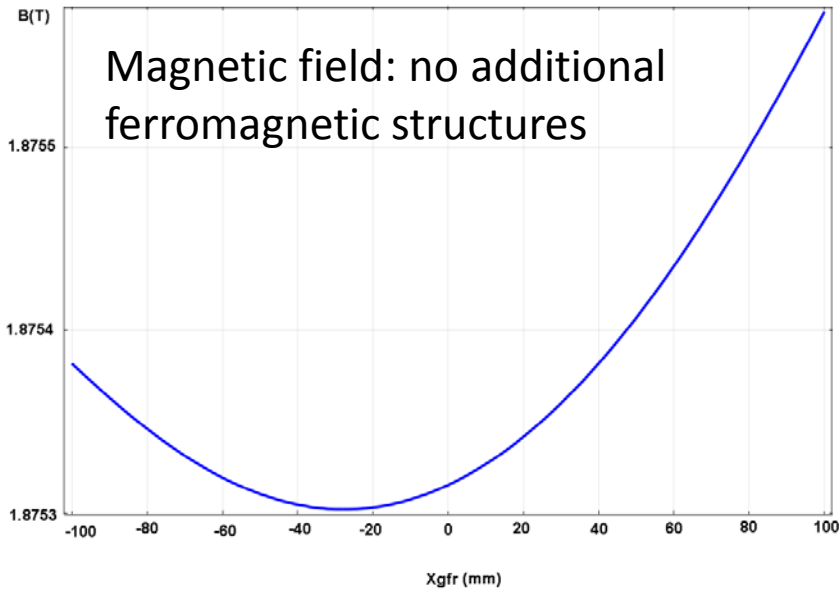
## 2D Geometry simplification used in COMSOL



# Static Simulations

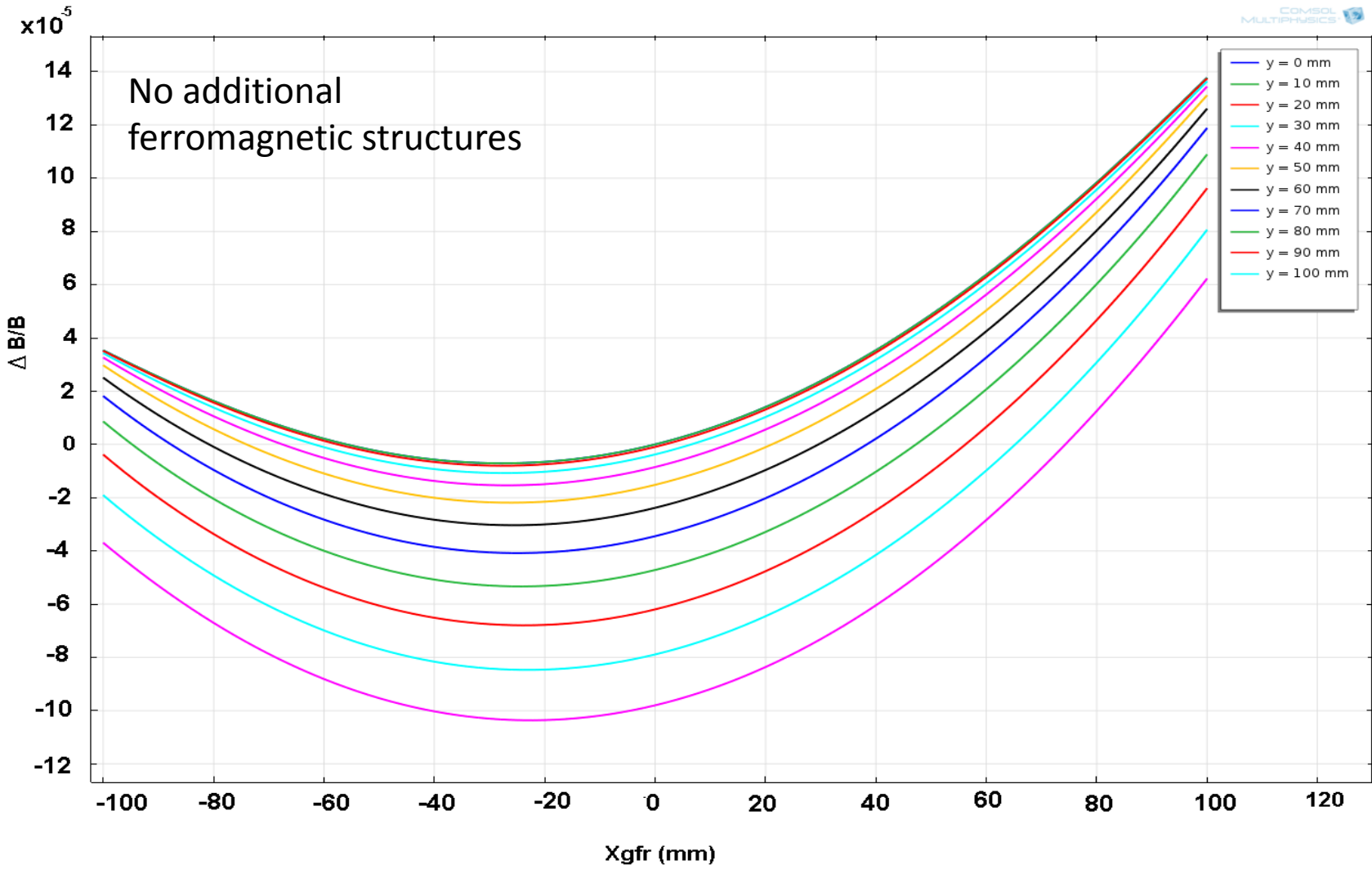
	B in the center of the magnet [T]	Delta (%)
Only iron yoke	1.8753	0
Yoke+tension bars	1.888	0.67
Yoke+ tension bars + stiffening frame	1.890	0.78

Values of the magnetic field strength in the middle of the GFR

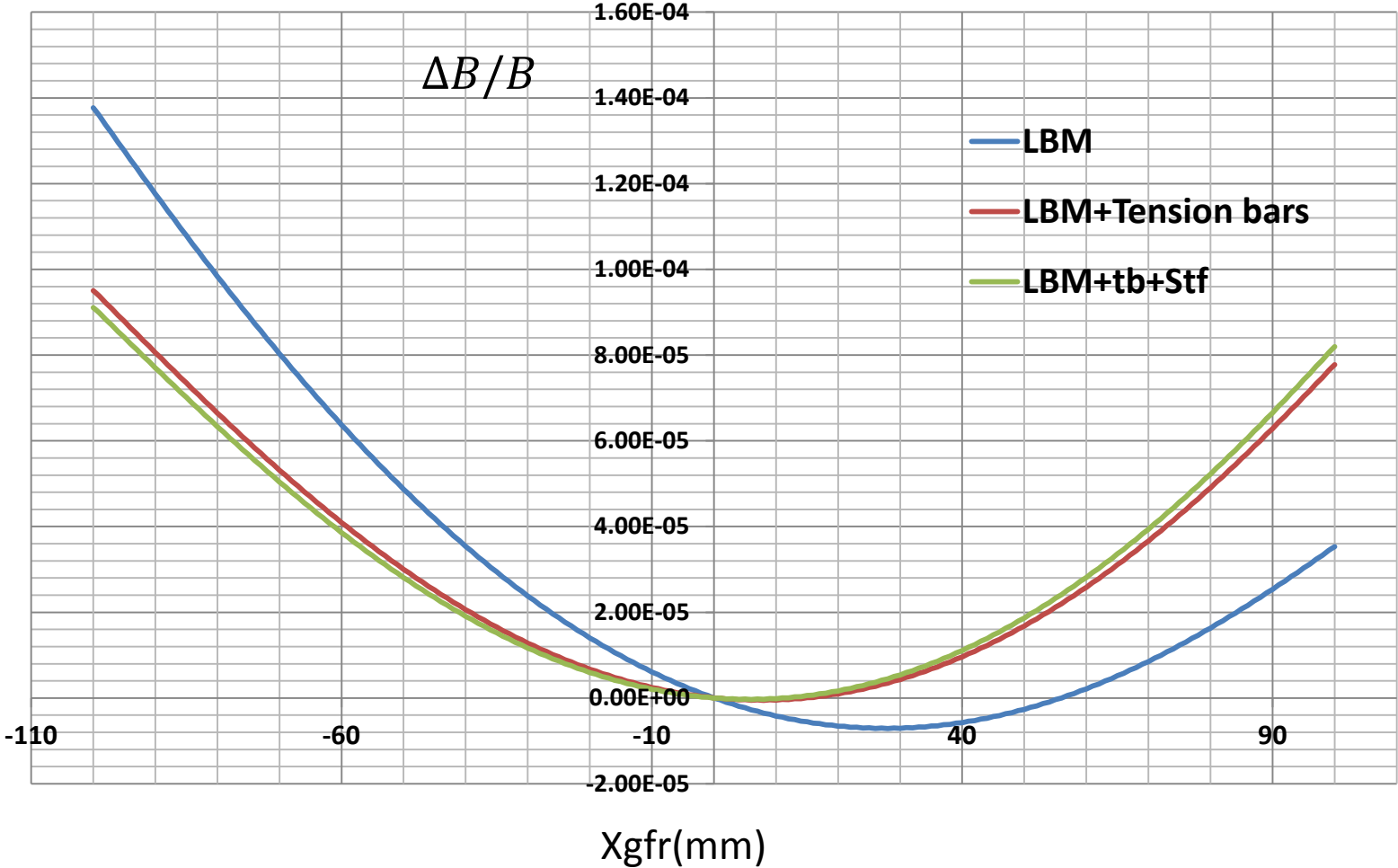


Magnetic field profiles in the center of the magnet

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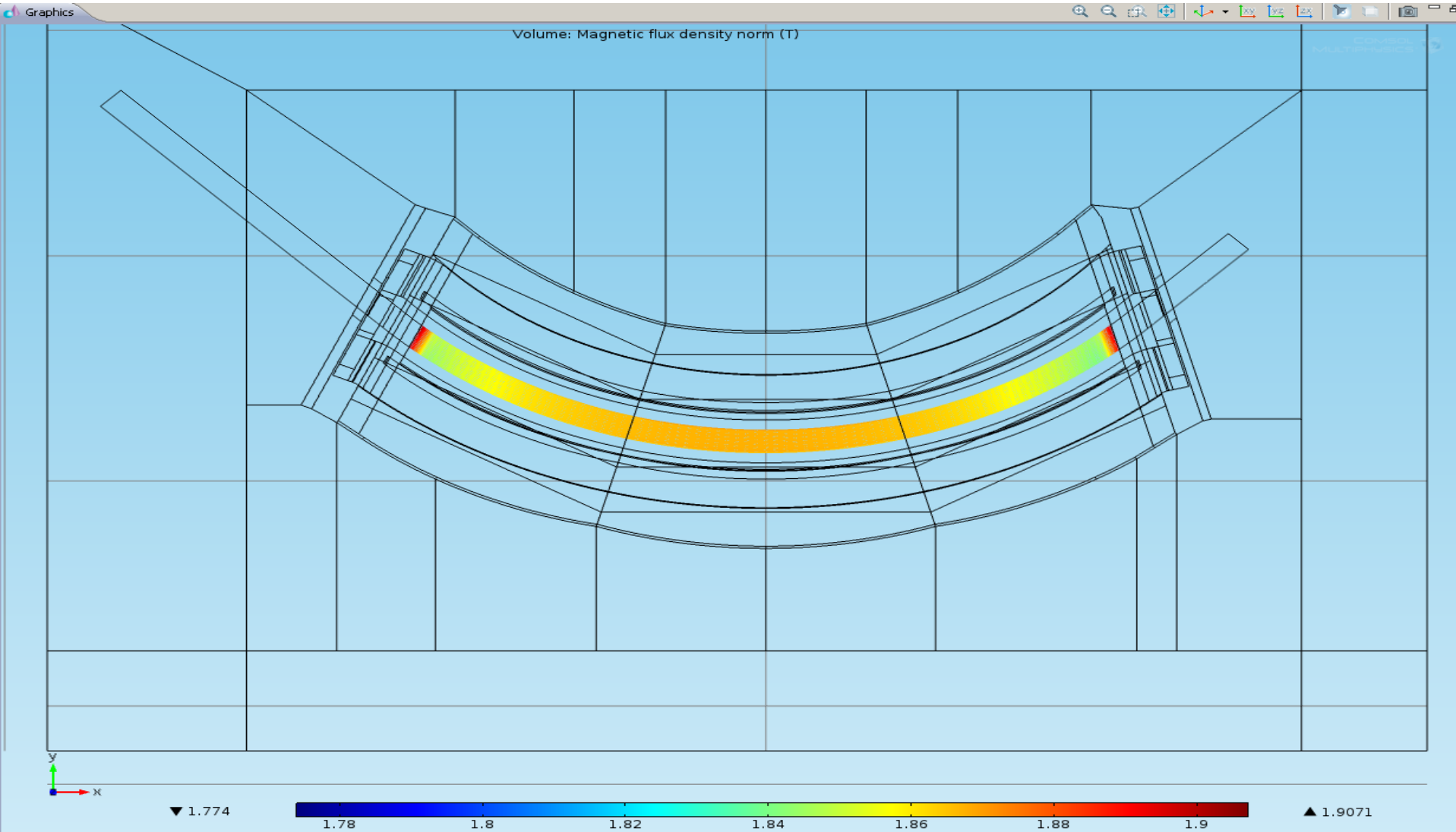


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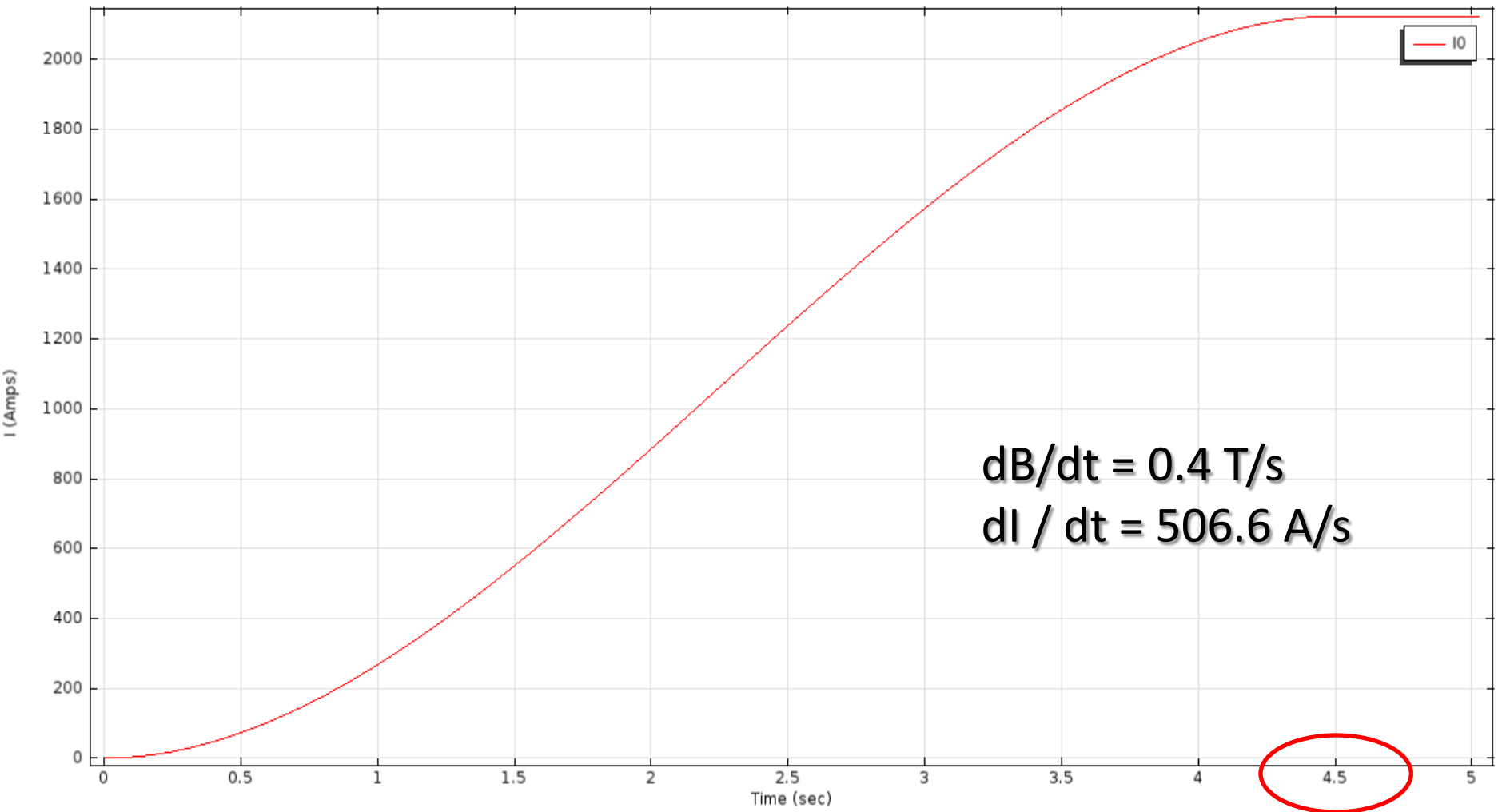
Magnetic field homogeneity contribution of the tension bars and of the tension bars + the stiffening frame, respectively

# Static Simulations



# Dynamic Simulations

Global: (A)

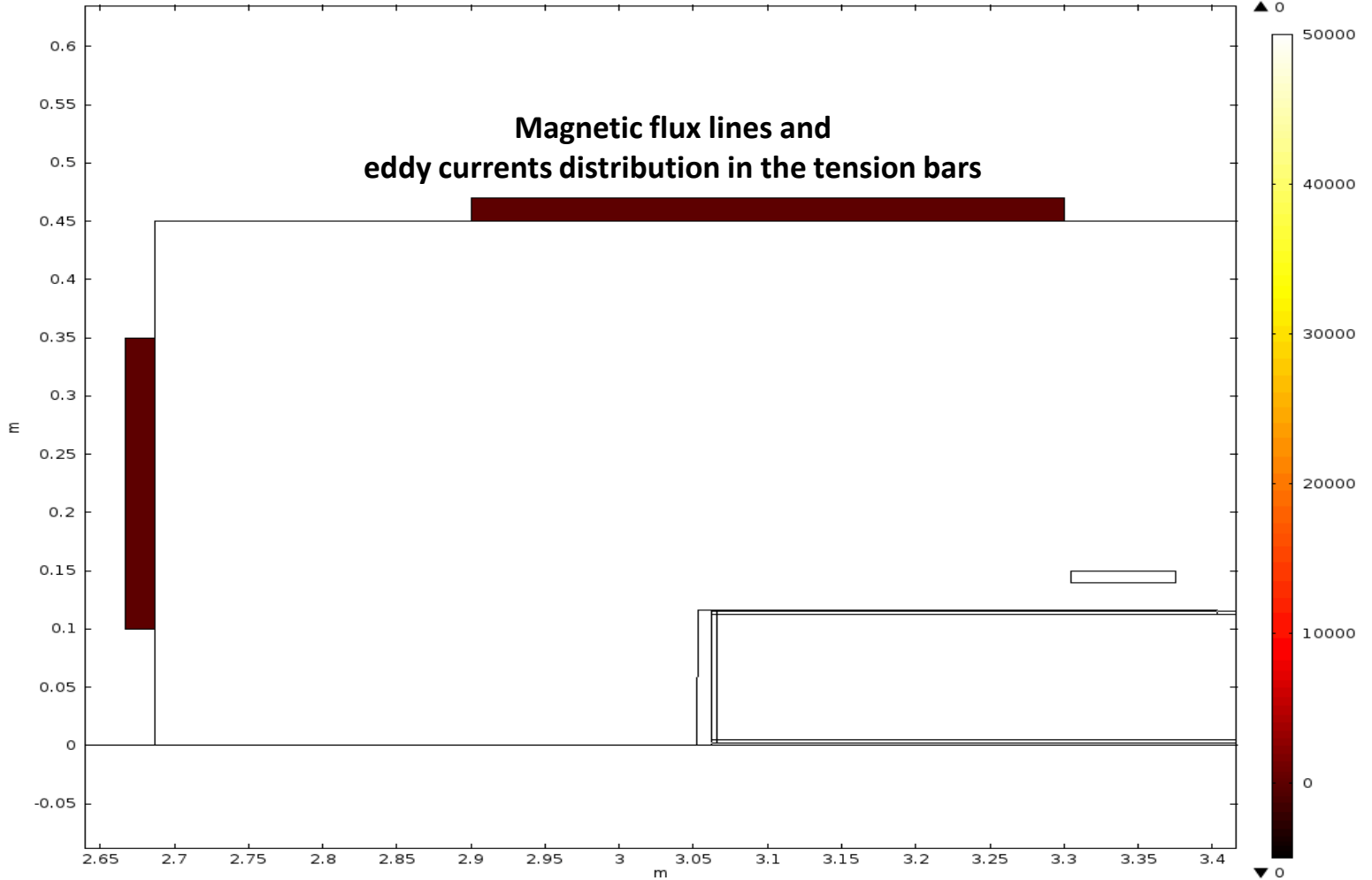




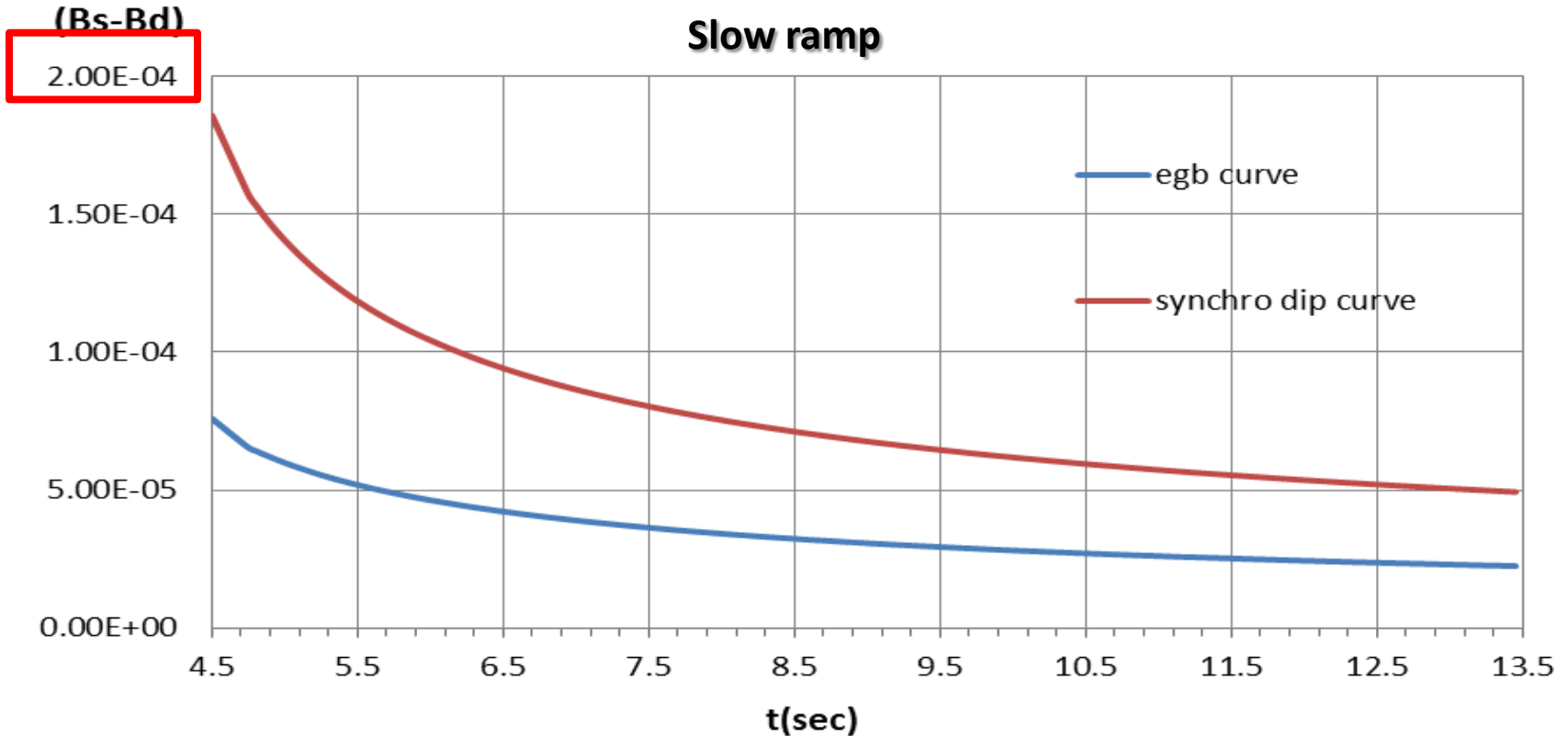
# Dynamic Simulations

COMSOL MULTIPHYSICS

Arrow Surface: Magnetic flux density



# Dynamic Simulations



Difference between static field ( $B_s$ ) and dynamic field ( $B_d$ ) at the end of the feeding current ramp,  $t = 4.5$  s

$$(B_s - B_d) \sim e^{-(t/\tau)}$$

The eddy currents generated in the tension bars give a time constant ( $\tau$ ) of **1.13 s**

# Conclusions

- Static simulations of the CNAO 90° large gap dipole have shown that the 2D field homogeneity is acceptable and that the influence of the stiffening frame structure and of the tension bars cannot be neglected
- The variation in the absolute value of the field in the gap is not significant for the requirement on the excitation current and the effect on the field homogeneity is unimportant



**Thank you for your attention**

# **Additional slides**

## Hadron

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

In [particle physics](#), a **hadron** is a [composite particle](#) made of [quarks held together](#) by the [strong force](#).

Hadrons are categorized into two families: [baryons](#) (made of three quarks) and [mesons](#) (made of one quark and one [antiquark](#)).

### Summary of big aperture magnet simulated characteristics

	GFR ( 20 x 20 cm <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Magnetic field [T]</b>	<b>1.87</b>
$\Delta B/B_0$ at GFR	$[-0.8 \times 10^{-4}, 1.03 \times 10^{-4}]$
Stored Energy [J]	1213924.48
Inductance [H]	0.47
<b>Dissipated DC power [kW]</b>	<b>613.65</b>
DC voltage [V]	269.16
Inducted Voltage [V]	236.8
Excitation current[A]	2800
Ampere-turns	182400
<b>Magnet Weight [tons]</b>	<b>82</b>

Comparison table between the reduced 90° bending magnet (GRF 15 x 15 cm<sup>2</sup>) and the reference 90° CNAO bending magnet (GFR 20 x 20 cm<sup>2</sup>)

To simulate the eddy currents in the tie dependent calculations , the tension bars  
Have to be simulated as a single turn coil domain.

The screenshot displays the COMSOL Multiphysics interface for a 2D model. The Model Builder on the left shows a tree structure with 'Single-Turn Coil Domain 1 {stcd1}' selected. The bottom-left panel shows the settings for this domain, including the equation  $\int_{\Omega} \mathbf{J}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\phi} dS = I_{coil}$  and the current density equation  $\mathbf{J}_e = \frac{\sigma V_{coil} \boldsymbol{\phi}}{2\pi r}$ . The coil name is '3', the excitation is 'Current', and the coil current is '0 A'. The main Graphics window shows a 2D cross-section of a magnetic core with a coil (highlighted in blue and circled in red) and a mesh. The x-axis ranges from -100 to 4400 and the y-axis from -100 to 1200. The Messages and Progress panels are visible at the bottom.