

# Modelling H- Injection and Painting in Vertical and Horizontal FFAs Using OPAL

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# FFAs for high power proton machines

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- Acceleration of high power protons comes in 3 flavours
  - Cyclotrons
  - Linacs
  - Synchrotrons
- Cyclotrons
  - No pulsed magnets → energy efficiency
  - Large magnet apertures
- Fixed Field Accelerators (FFAs) are like cyclotrons, but
  - Increase bending field with momentum → more compact
- FFAs have never been used for high power proton acceleration
  - Proposed as an option for ISIS upgrade in ~ 2030s
  - Would like to test concepts in small prototype ring
    - 4 m radius
    - 3-12 MeV energy
  - Short injection straights → challenging injection

# Horizontal and vertical FFAs

- Two types of FFA considered in this talk

- Horizontal orbit excursion (hFFA)

$$B_z(r, \phi, z = 0) = B_0(\psi) \left( \frac{r}{r_0} \right)^k$$

$$\psi = \phi - \tan(\delta) \ln(r/r_0)$$

- Beam moves horizontally as momentum increases

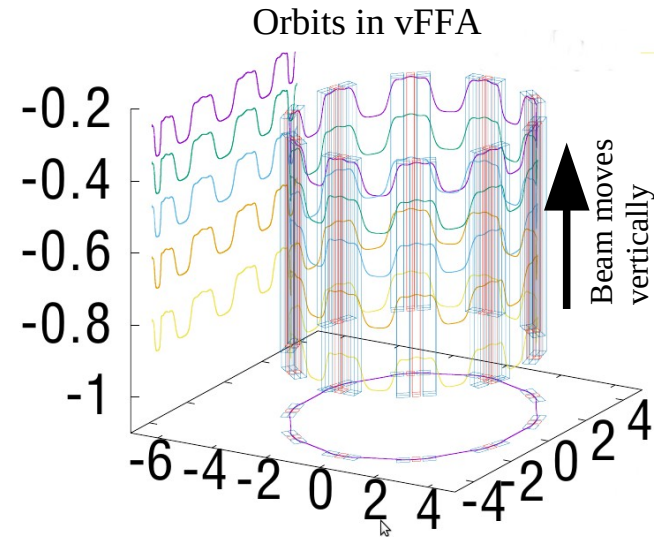
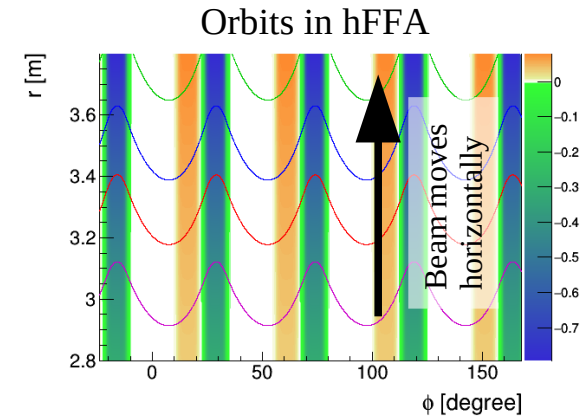
- Vertical orbit excursion (vFFA)

$$\vec{B} = \vec{B}_0(r, \phi) \exp(mz)$$

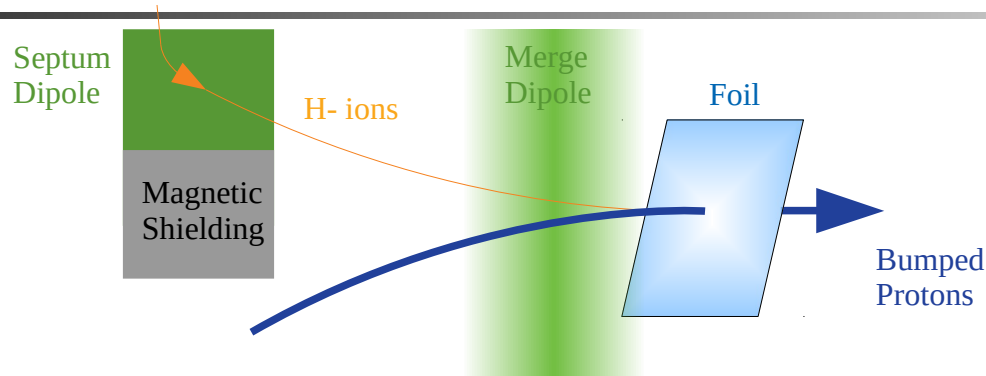
- Beam moves vertically as momentum increases
- Strongly coupled optics

- FFAs not isochronous

- Variable frequency RF
- High power → accumulate a beam
  - Charge exchange injection
  - Phase space painting



# Charge Exchange Injection + Painting



- Ion source generates Hydrogen atoms with an extra electron
  - “H-” ions
- Accelerate and inject H- on top of circulating proton beam
  - H- and protons pass through a dipole at different angles → merge
  - Pass H- through a thin Carbon foil
  - H- are ionised leaving protons
- Painting the beam enables build up of different beam shapes
  - Inject H- at distance from the circulating proton beam core
  - Develop different beams e.g. “correlated” and “anti-correlated”
- Goal: minimise protons passing through foil
- Eventually move beam off foil for acceleration



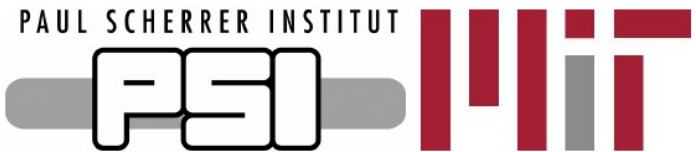
# Object Oriented Parallel Particle Library (OPAL)

OPAL is a versatile open-source tool for charged-particle optics in large accelerator structures and beam lines including 3D EM field calculation, collisions, radiation, particle-matter interaction, and multi-objective optimisation

<https://gitlab.psi.ch/OPAL/src/wikis/home>

- OPAL is built from the ground up as an HPC application
- OPAL runs on your laptop as well as on the largest HPC clusters
- OPAL uses the MAD language with extensions
- OPAL is written in C++, uses design patterns, easy to extend
- The OPAL Discussion Forum:  
<https://psilists.ethz.ch/sympa/info/opal>
- International team of 11 active developers and a user base of O(100)
- The OPAL sampler command can generate labeled data sets using the largest computing resources and allocations available

# The Active OPAL Developer Team



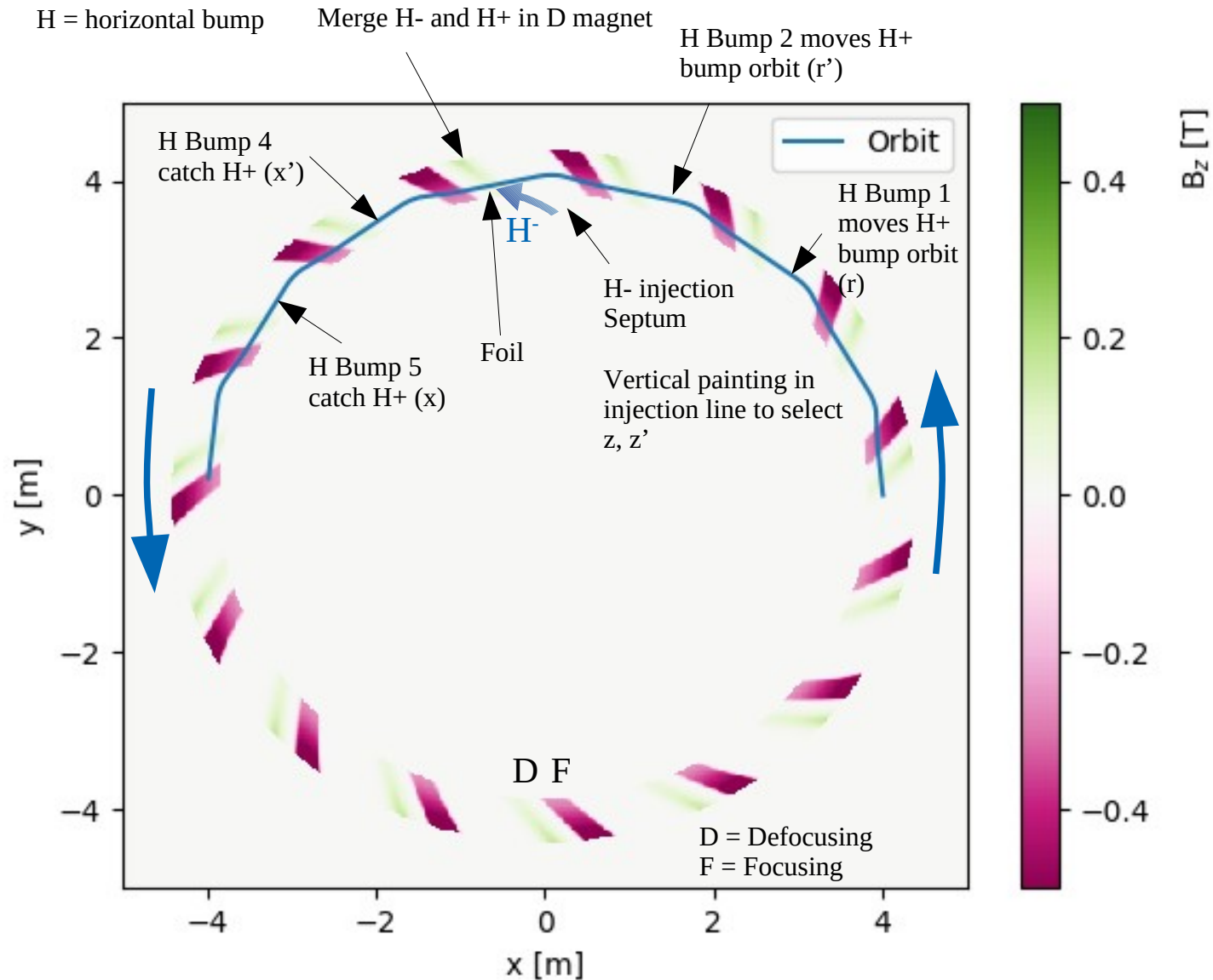


# Features Implemented in OPAL

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- Features now implemented in OPAL-cycl
  - Horizontal and vertical FFA with scaling to arbitrary order
  - Vertical FFA with scaling to arbitrary order
  - Variable frequency RF cavities
  - Arbitrary order multipoles with maxwellian fringe fields
  - Foil model (scattering and energy loss)
- Features coming soon
  - Python binary API for direct interface to OPAL from python
  - Time dependent/pulsed multipoles

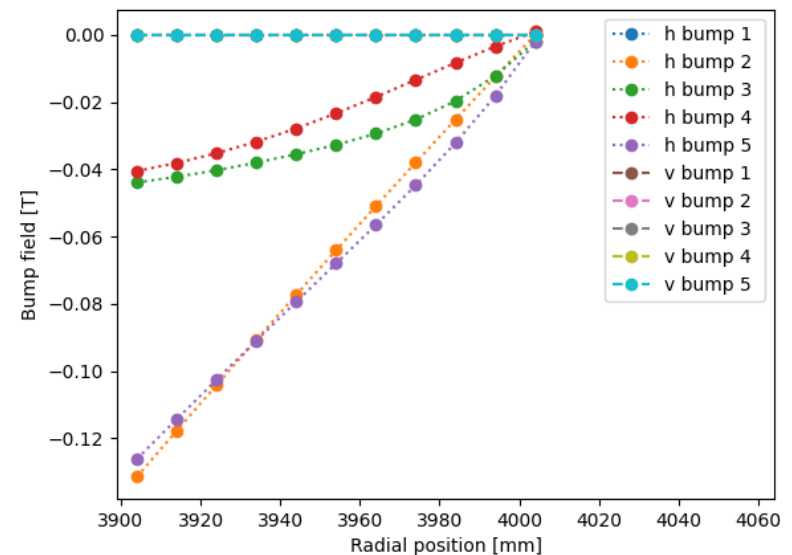
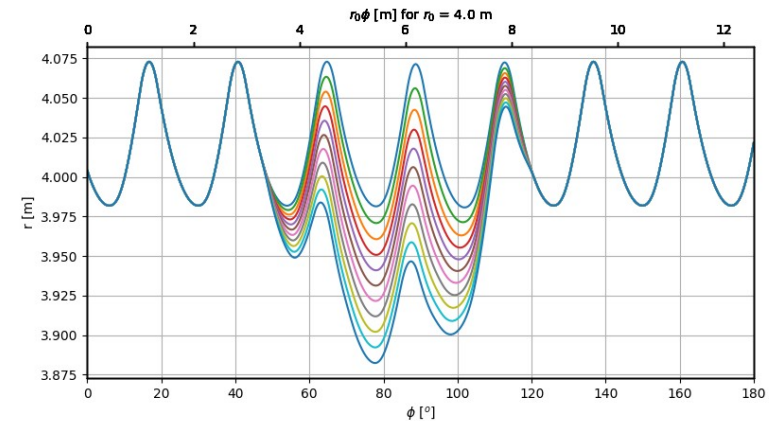
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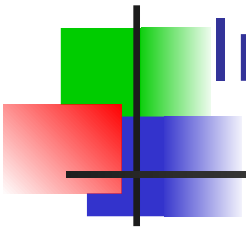


# Inject from inside - using D magnet

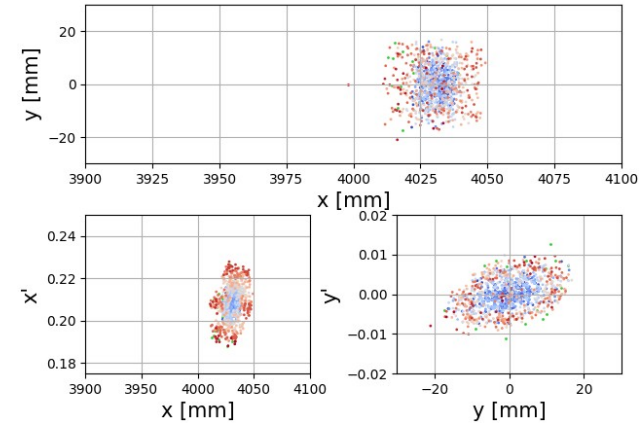
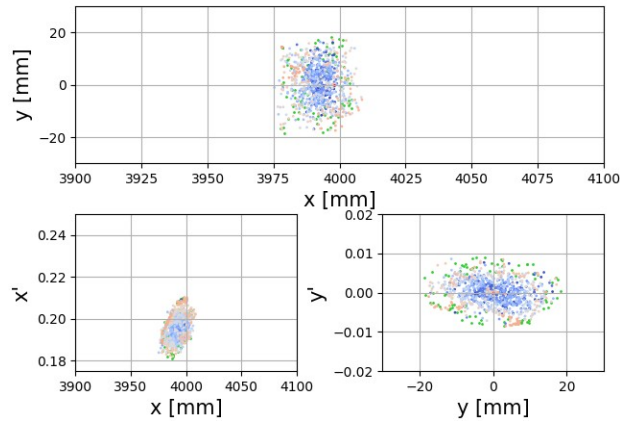
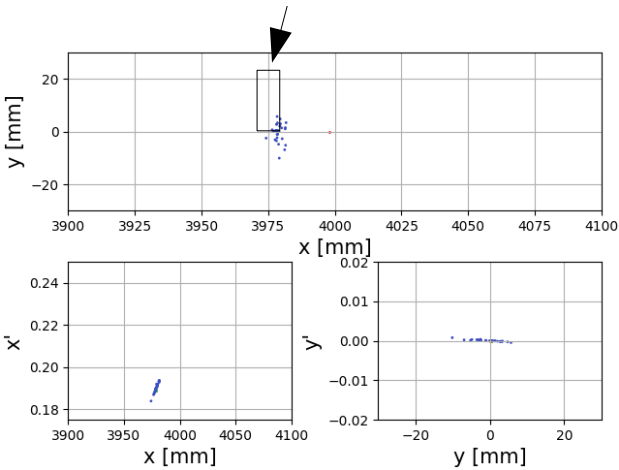
- Use bump magnet to distort closed orbits
  - Movement of circulating proton beam over 100 mm
  - 0.1 m long bump magnets
  - Max field  $\sim 0.12$  T
- Tune distortion is constrained to maintain sufficient DA



# Injection process



Foil  
dimension



- Inject  $H^-$
- Sweep  $H^-$  beam up
- Sweep  $H^+$  close orbit horizontally

- Paint full phase space

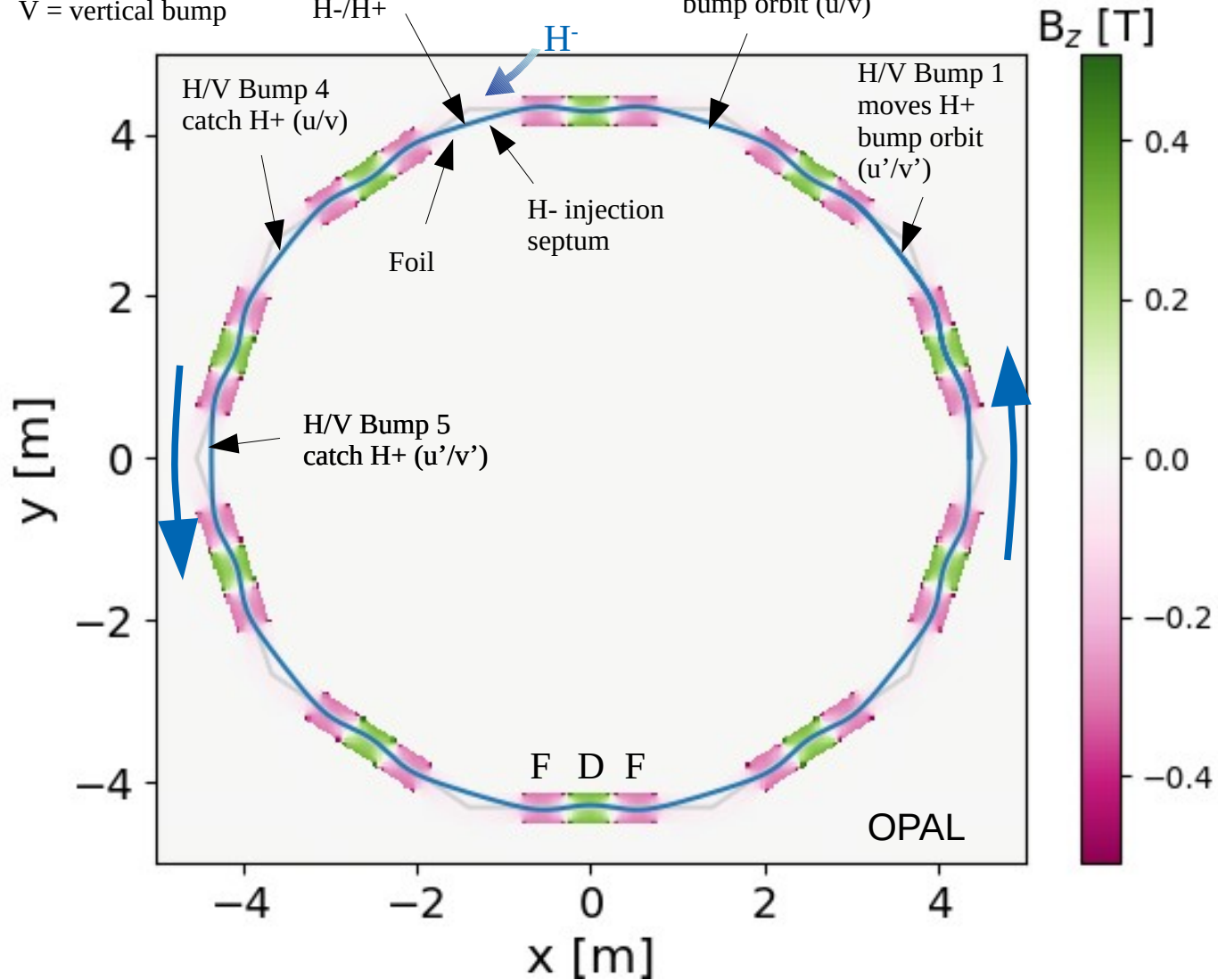
- Collapse bump
- Beam moves clear of foil

# Vertical FFA

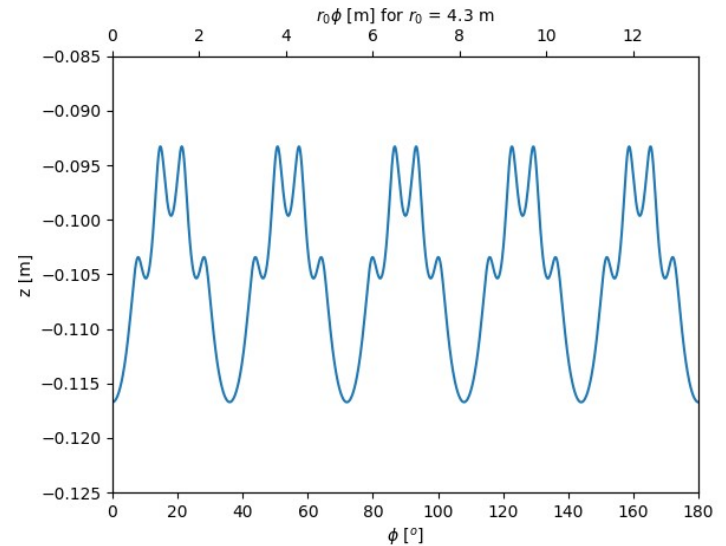
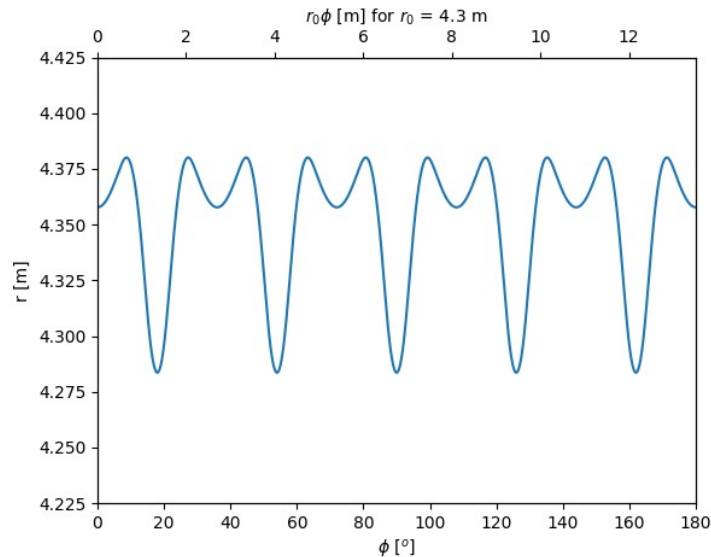
H = horizontal bump  
V = vertical bump

H/V Bump 3 merges  
H-/H+

H/V Bump 2 moves H+  
bump orbit (u/v)



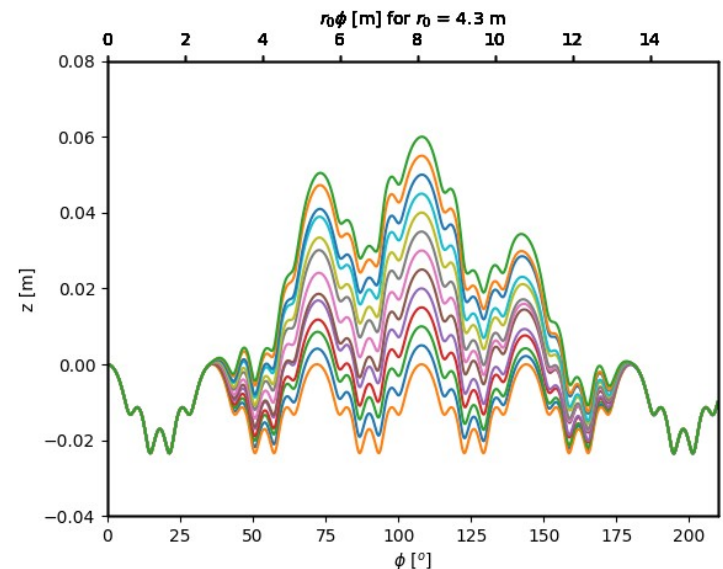
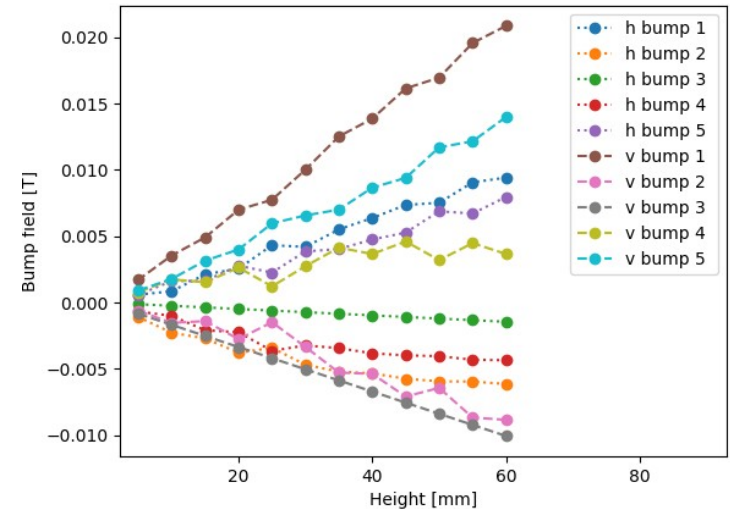
# Tracking simulation - vFFA



- vFFA has strongly coupled optics, from Maxwell's equations
  - Skew quadrupole focusing in magnet body
  - Solenoid focusing in magnet fringe field
  - Vertical kick in fringe field if beam is not perfectly central

# Injection simulation - vFFA

- Use bump magnet to distort closed orbits
  - Now we need both horizontal and vertical bumps
- Challenging to achieve sufficient DA with good orbit separation
  - Have not tried using F magnet to separate orbits!





# Conclusions

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- OPAL has been extended to model FFAs
- OPAL has been extended to model fully 4D injection systems
  - Including e.g. pulsed magnets and RF
  - Features coming to user space soon!
- Studies of injection in a small test ring
  - HFFA
    - Good closed orbit separation
    - Sufficient DA
  - VFFA
    - Move proton orbit arbitrarily in x-y plane
    - Still looking for good DA with sufficient orbit separation
    - Idea to use foil in F magnet to get orbit separation (WIP)