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# Engineering Challenges and Solutions for MeRHIC

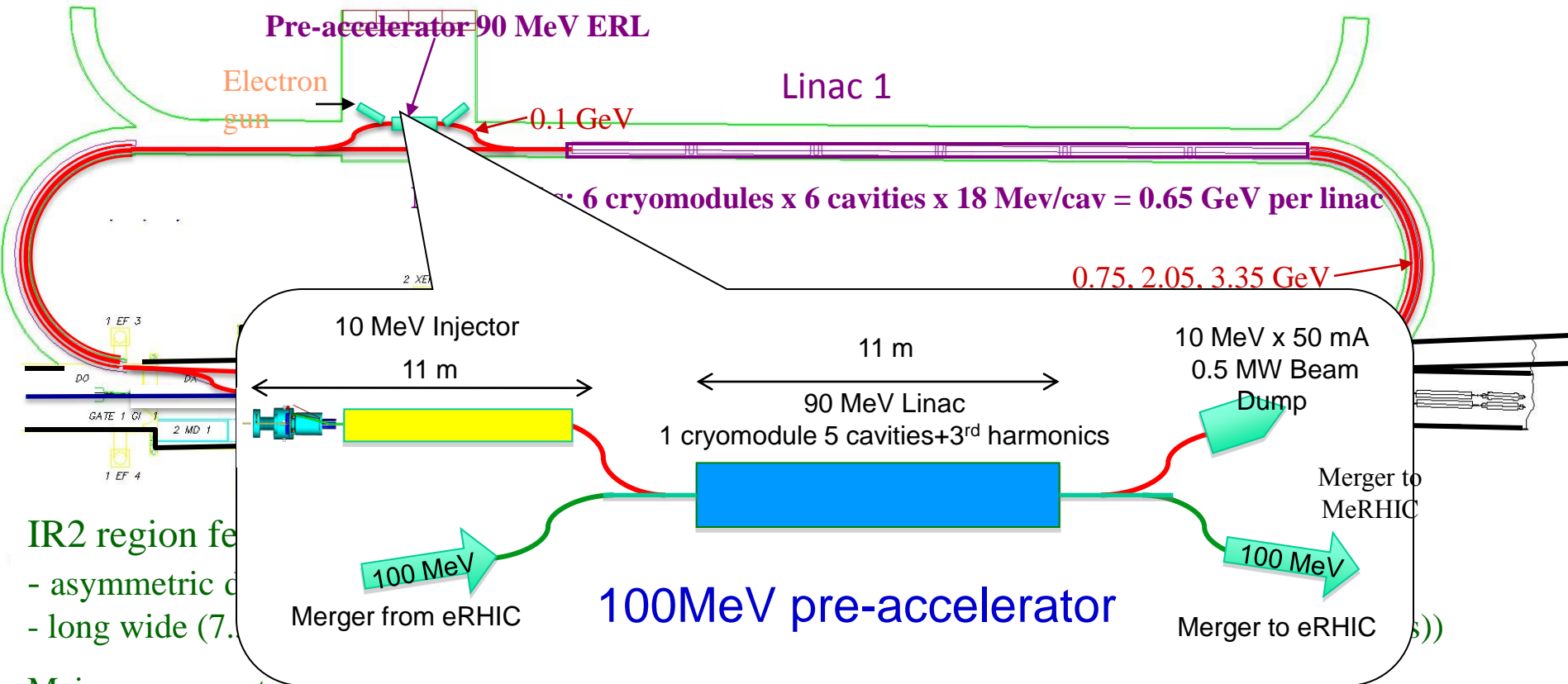
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# Key Components

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- Photoinjector Design
- Photocathodes & Drive Laser
- Linac Cavities
  - 703.75 MHz 5 cell cavities
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Harmonic Cavities
  - HOM absorbers
- Cryomodule Design
- Magnet Design
- Vacuum System
- RF systems
- Cryogenic System
- Tunnel Installation

# MeRHIC: General layout



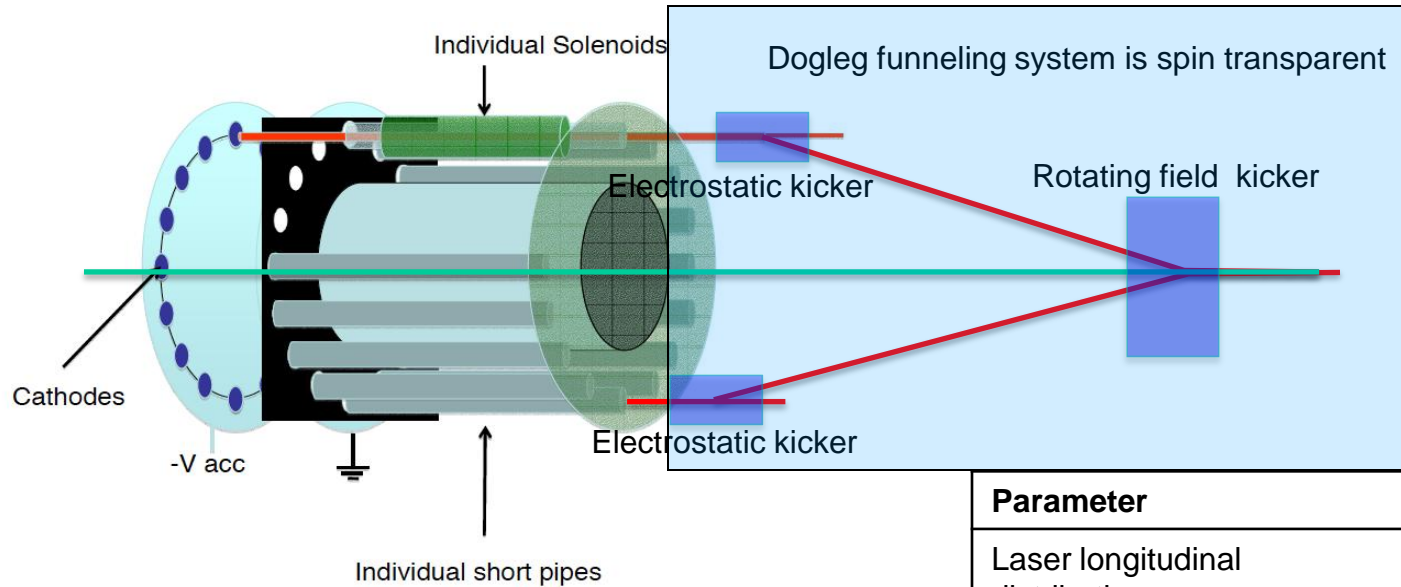
IR2 region features  
 - asymmetric design  
 - long wide (7.5 m)

Main components:

- 100 MeV injector on the basis of polarized electron gun (50 mA) and pre-accelerator ERL.
- Two main ERLs (one of them in the RHIC tunnel) with maximum 0.65 GeV energy gain per linac.
- Recirculation passes are going outside of the existing tunnel: warm magnets, acceptable synchrotron radiation power.

# Gatling Gun\*)

\*) the Gatling gun is the first **successful** machine gun, invented by Dr. Richard Jordan Gatling.



**~ 50 mA from injector is needed.**  
**State of the art electron polarized source is 1 mA.**

The multi cathode to reduce load on a single cathode can be used

Parameter	Value
Laser longitudinal distribution	Gaussian
Bunch length at cathode	0.5nS [FWHM]
Laser transverse distribution	Uniform
Laser spot diameter	8mm
Bunch charge	5nC
Accelerating voltage	200kV
Cathode-anode gap	3cm
Integrated solenoid field	2.1kG-cm

# Laser

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## Presently no Commercial Laser to meet the need

LDRD for laser development 2W/mA (780 nm, 0.1% QE)

- Three possible approaches:
  - Fiber oscillator → Fiber amplifier →  $2\hbar\omega$  to 780 nm
  - Ti:S Oscillator → Ti:S amplifier 780 nm
  - Diode oscillator → Power amplifier 780 nm
- All three approaches will be evaluated
- Best selected, built & test to drive up to 2 mA

### Expected Results

- Laser to drive one cathode of the multi cathode gun
- Laser system scalable to deliver full EIC electron beam

**2 LDRD's for the new injector and laser have been approved**

# Linac Cavities

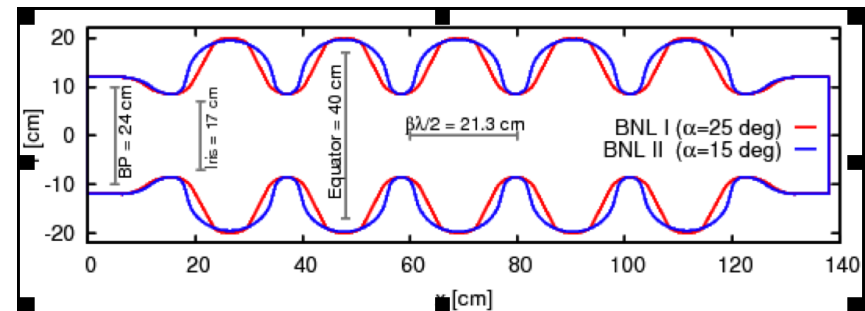
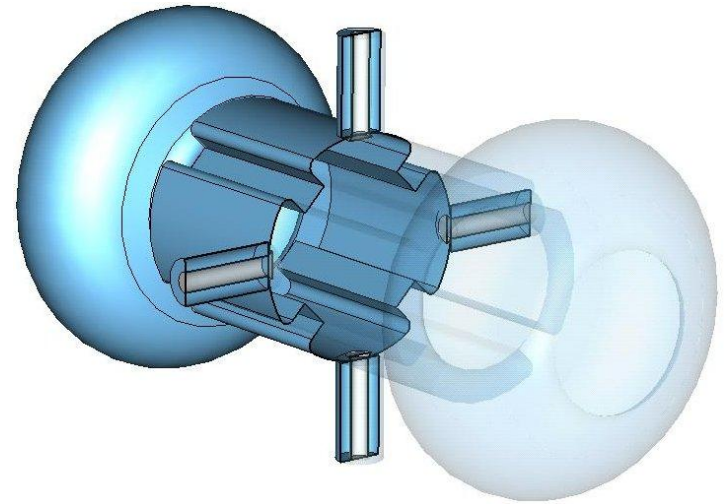
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- We have a large number of SRF cavities in MeRHIC:
  - Main linac – 72 elliptic 5-cell cavities at 703.75 MHz and 2 second harmonic cavities (1.4075 GHz)
  - Pre-accelerator linac – 5 703.75 MHz elliptic 5-cell cavities and one 3rd harmonic cavity.
  - Injector linac – Seven 112 MHz quarter wave cavities and one 336 MHz single-cell cavity.
  - Energy loss compensator cavity – a single 703.75 MHz elliptical two-cell cavity.
- We are in a strong position in high-current ERL cavities, but-
- there is a lot of R&D and engineering to be done. We are carrying out an aggressive R&D program.

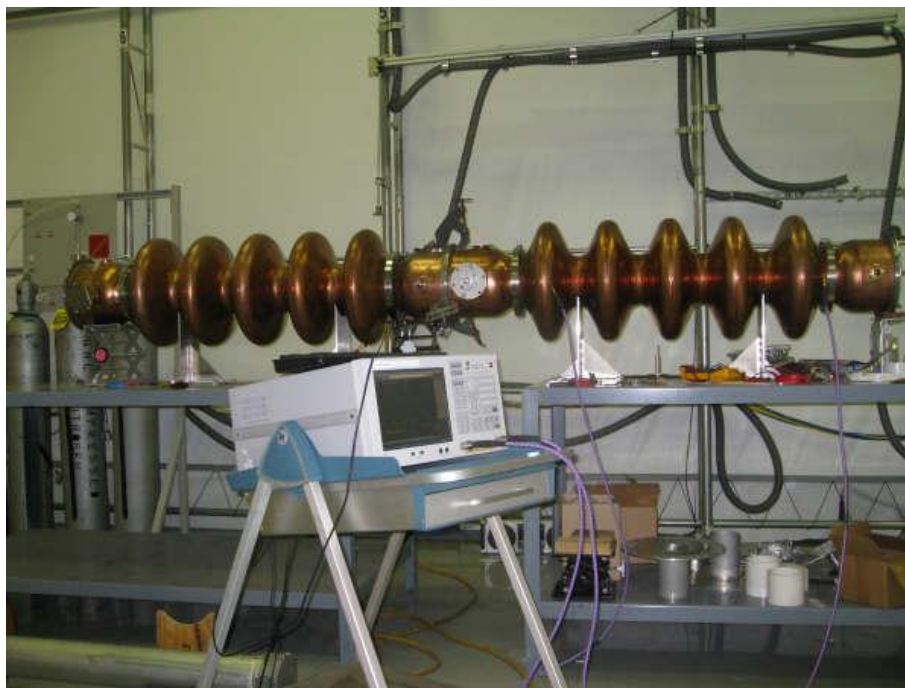
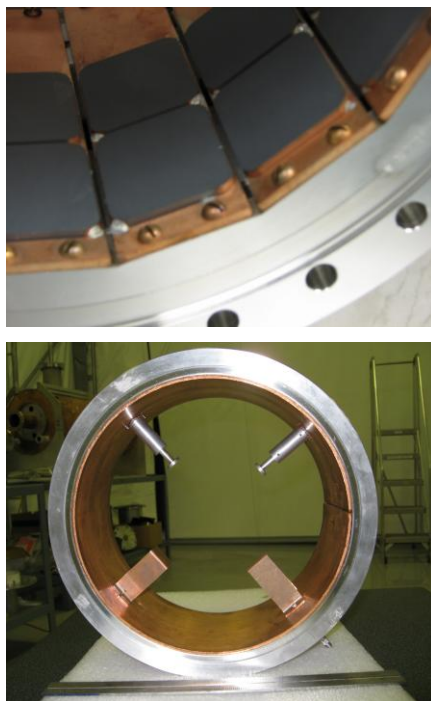
# Linac Cavities

- Development of next generation:
- Reduce  $H_{\text{peak}}$  by 18% to 4.7 mT/MV/m
- Increase  $E_{\text{peak}}$  19% to 2.34
- Increase  $R/Q$  7% to  $465\Omega$
- Reduce stiffness by a factor of 2.
- Apply new ideas in HOM damping:
  - Reduce evanescent fundamental in beam tubes
  - Increase real-estate gradient

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# HOM Absorbers/ Dampers



In BNL I, damping is done with ferrites.  
For BNL II, we are considering pick-up probes in the beam tube.  
Measured  $Q_{\text{HOM}}$  of a few 1000's,  $Q_{\text{FUND}}$  about  $10^8$ .  
Expected result: Compact, simple HOM damping.



# Linac Components

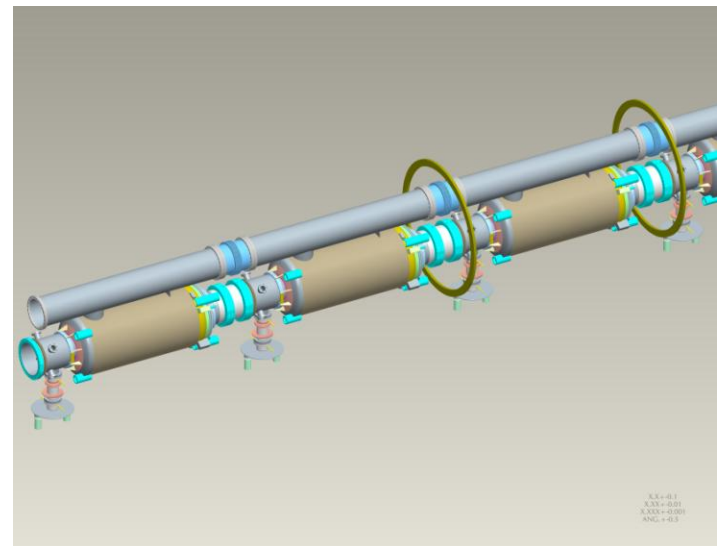
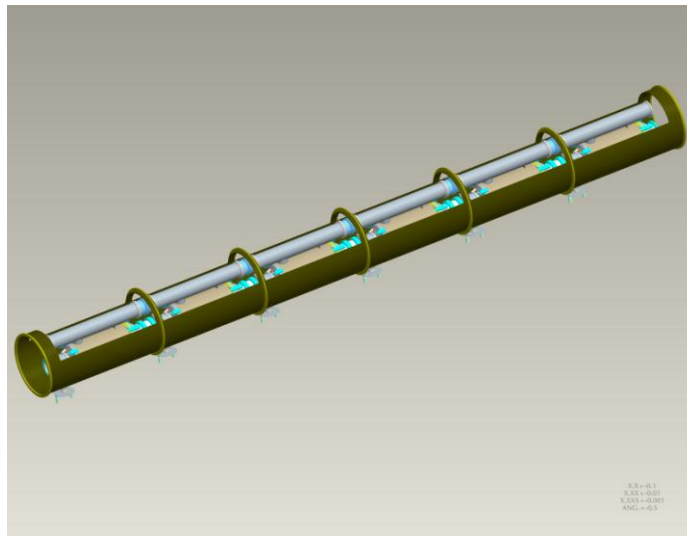
- Preliminary Engineering & Design (PED)
  - Cavity & Cryomodule – Design of six (6) SRF cavity types, their helium vessels, support systems, thermal & magnetic shielding, vacuum vessels & other components
    - Risk – Required iterative design process between scientific & engineering staff can result in increased labor cost. 4 of 6 required cavities similar to previous designs – remaining 2 will each require a new design
- Construction - Procurement
  - Cryomodule Component & Cavity
    - Procurement of all SRF cryomodule components including cavities (93 units total)
    - Risk – Moderate due to price fluctuations in strategic materials (Nb, SST, Cu) and limited number of cavity vendors. Quantity/variety of cavities may require multiple vendors – depending on schedule & global demand – impacting cost.

ERL 5-cell Cavity



# Cryomodule Design

- Cryomodule development
  - “out-of-the-box” approach to modern cryomodules
  - Emphasis on modularity, cleanliness, maintenance



# RF Systems – Main and Pre-accelerator Linacs

## **Main Linac and pre-accelerator:**

- 77 5-cell cavities at 703.75 MHz powered individually by 15 kW power amplifiers
- 2 each 2<sup>nd</sup> harmonic cavities at 1.4 GHz powered by 250 kW power amplifiers
- 1 each 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic cavity at 2.1 GHz powered by 15 kW power amplifier

## **Injector Linac:**

- 7 quarter wave cavities at 112 MHz powered individually by 100 kW power amplifiers
- 1 each 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic single cell cavity at 336 MHz powered by 15 kW amplifier

## **Energy loss comp cavity:**

- 1 each 2-cell cavity at 703.75 MHz powered by 350 kW amplifier

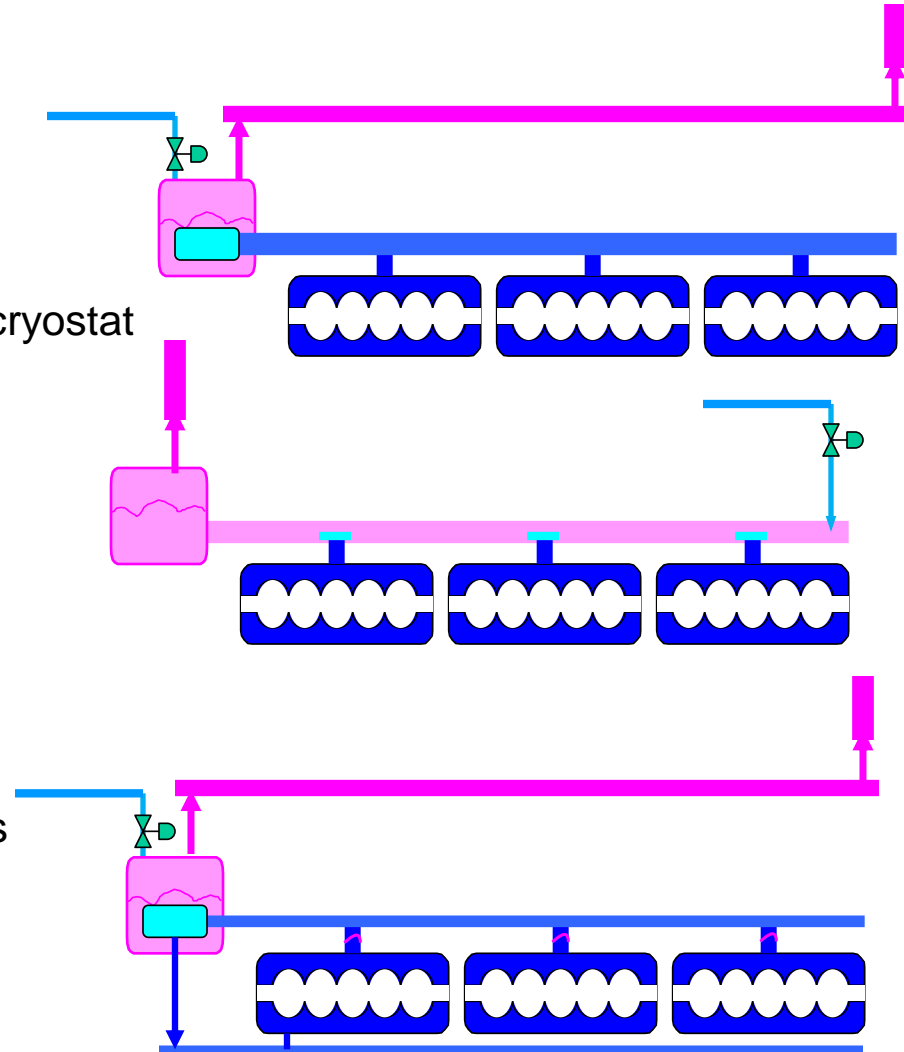
# Cryogenics System

- Cavity cooling:
  - 1.9K @ cavities
  - 1.8K @ HX / cold compressor bath
  - **Quiet System:** Vibration & microphonics
  - Heat transfer: SFTC or local evaporation
- Quad cooling: 1.8K: Leads: HTS with shield flow as lead flow  
4.5K: Leads: Normal leads.
- Sub-atmospheric system type/configuration
  - Hybrid: Cold compression/ warm compression
  - 100% cold compression
- New 4.5K plant @ 2 O'clock; Existing RHIC plant (1005) for Collider
- Use existing RHIC Plant for MeRHIC & RHIC
- New plant for both RHIC and MeRHIC

# Cryogenics System

## SUPERFLUID HEAT TRANSFER:

- SFT Conduction via pressurized superfluid
  - Heat exchanger every 3 cavities
  - ~ 8 inch Superfluid line
  - 8 inch 12 Torr Vapor return line outside cryostat
- 2- $\phi$  flow boiling (LHC) heat transfer from pressurized superfluid
  - Continuous heat exchanger / two-phase flow / vapor return
- Saturation Line  
central vapor recondensing unit per 6 cavities



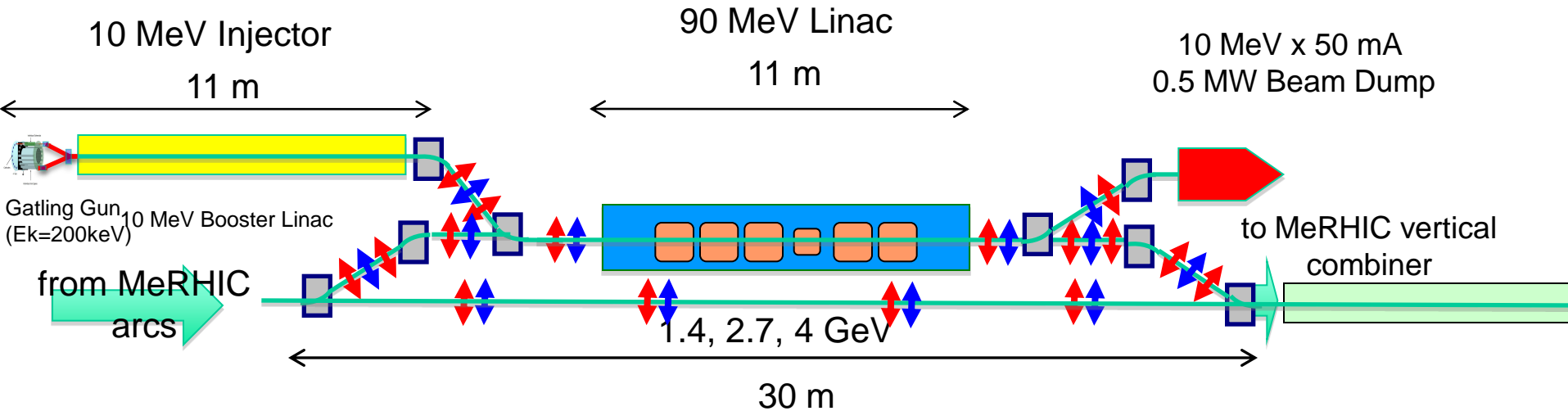


# Conclusions

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- Key Technical challenges have been identified
- Technical and cost reviews are underway to identify items of concern
- An early jump on the planning will allow for a successful project to be carried out
- SRF infrastructure is growing at BNL to handle the anticipated cavity workload
- C-AD department and BNL site have a wealth of experience in large scale construction projects
  - RHIC
  - NSLS
  - NSLS-II
  - Collaboration on other programs, SNS, LHC etc.

# 100 MeV Pre Accelerator ERL



## Injector Parameters

Polarized Gun (200kV)  
 Cathode GaAs,  
 Laser 780nm  
 $E_{max} = 10 \text{ MeV}$   
 $I_{avr} = 50 \text{ mA}$ ,  
 $Q \text{ per bunch} = 5 \text{ nC}$

## Pre-accelerator ERL:

One pass  
 Energy gain 90 MeV  
 $E_{inj} \ \& \ E_{extr} = 10 \text{ MeV}$   
 $E_{max} = 100 \text{ MeV}$

## eBeam parameters :

$E = 100 \text{ MeV}$   
 $I_{avr} = 50 \text{ mA}$   
 $I_{peak} = 500 \text{ A}$   
 Reprate = 9.8 MHz  
 Emittance = 70 mm-mrad  
 Banchlength = 3 mm  
 $dE/E = 1E-3$



# Linac Components



- **Cavity Processing & String Assembly - PED**

- Process & String Assembly Tooling - Design fixtures & tooling required to clean, bake, polish, rinse, cold-test cavities and assemble cavity/helium vessel assemblies into hermetic string. (Class 100 Cleanroom).

- Risk is estimated as moderate based on past experience.

- **Construction - Procurement**

- SRF Processing/String/Installation Tooling Procurement

- Procurement of cavity tooling required to process all 6 types of cavities (93 units total).
- Risk – Low based on recent experience. Fairly low-tech components.



- **Cavity Processing**

- Costs of all processing steps – cleaning, baking, polishing, rinsing, etc. through to and including string assembly.
- Risk – Moderate level of risk, since multiple vendors may be required (including BNL facility) to achieve needed throughput.

