

RF Systems for the Universe in the Lab

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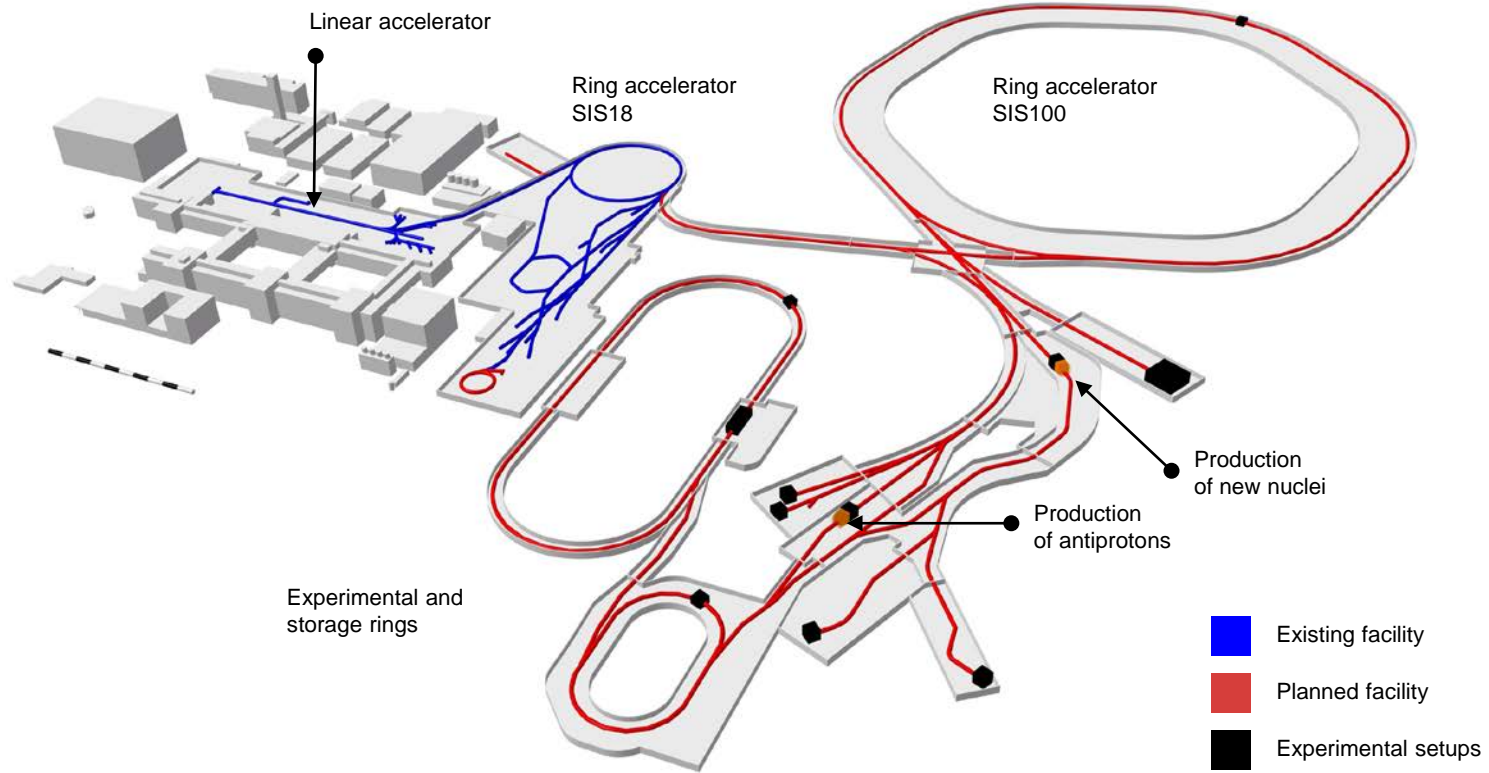
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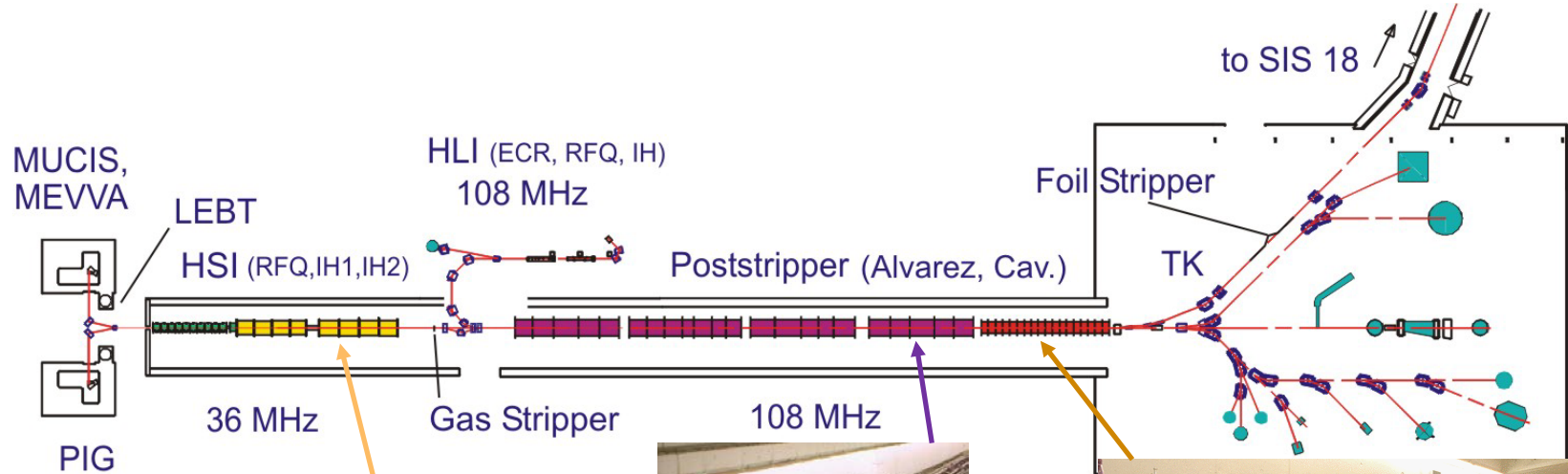


- World-leading accelerator laboratory for decades
- Unique research in physics and applications

- Milestone in the European research roadmap (ESFRI)
- Top priority in the European nuclear physics community

- Exotic forms of matter in the universe can be produced and investigated in the laboratory (“The Universe in the Lab”)

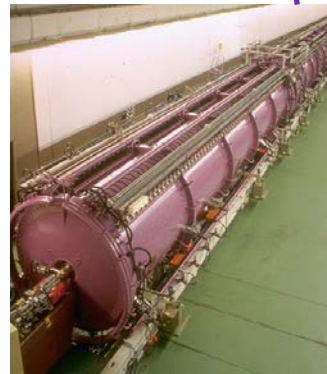




**High Current
Injector**



Alvarez



**Single Gap
Resonators**



Ring RF Cavities for FAIR

Example: SIS18 h=2 System



SIS18 h=2 cavities
(tetrode power amplifiers on top)



Platform for SIS18 h=2 power supplies (2nd floor),
mains distribution (1st floor),
and oil cooling system (ground floor)

Ring	RF System	Frequency Range [MHz]	Voltage per Cavity [kV]	Duty Cycle	Length	Qty
SIS18 Upgrade	Ferrite cavities, h=4	0.85 ... 5.5	16	100%	3 m	2
	Accel. h=2	0.43 ... 2.8	13.3	100%	1.2 m	3
	Bunch Compression	0.8 ... 1.2	40	0.05%	≈1 m	1
SIS100 2.8.4	Accel. h=10 (Ferrite)	1.1 ... 3.2	20	100%	3.0 m	14
	Bunch Compression	0.310 ... 0.560	40	0.05%	1.2 m	9
	Barrier Bucket	broadband	2 x 15	20%	1.3 m	2
	Long. Feedback	broadband	12...15	100%	1.3 m	2
CR 2.5.4	Debuncher (RIB, anti-protons, incl. Bucket Generation)	1.10...1.25 (1.50) (pbar)	Pulsed: 40 (21) CW: 2 (1.35) (pbar)	0.06%	1.125 m	5
CRYRING	Existing Swedish system	0.135...2.4	0.15...0.35	100%	≈3 m	1
ESR	Ferrite cavity, h=2	0.85 ... 5.5	5	100%	1.68	1
	Barrier bucket cavity	broadband	0.6 (2 pulses)	50%	1.13	2 in 1

Ring RF Cavities for FAIR



SIS100 Acceleration
(RI Research Instruments GmbH)



SIS100 Bunch Compression
(Aurion Anlagentechnik GmbH)



CR Debuncher
(RI Research Instruments GmbH)

LINAC RF Systems

- Fixed frequency (36 MHz, 108 MHz, 216 MHz, 325 MHz)
- Mixed pulse operation (different shapes of subsequent pulses)
- 50 Ω impedance matching, long (up to 80 m) coaxial lines (up to 9 3/16 inches diameter for pLINAC) from power amplifier to cavity/RF structure

Ring RF Systems

- Ramped frequency, ramped amplitude, ramped phase
- Power amplifier as part of the cavity, no 50 Ω impedance matching between power amplifier and cavity (only from driver amplifier to power amplifier)
- Cavities loaded with ferrite or magnetic alloy ring cores

General Aspects

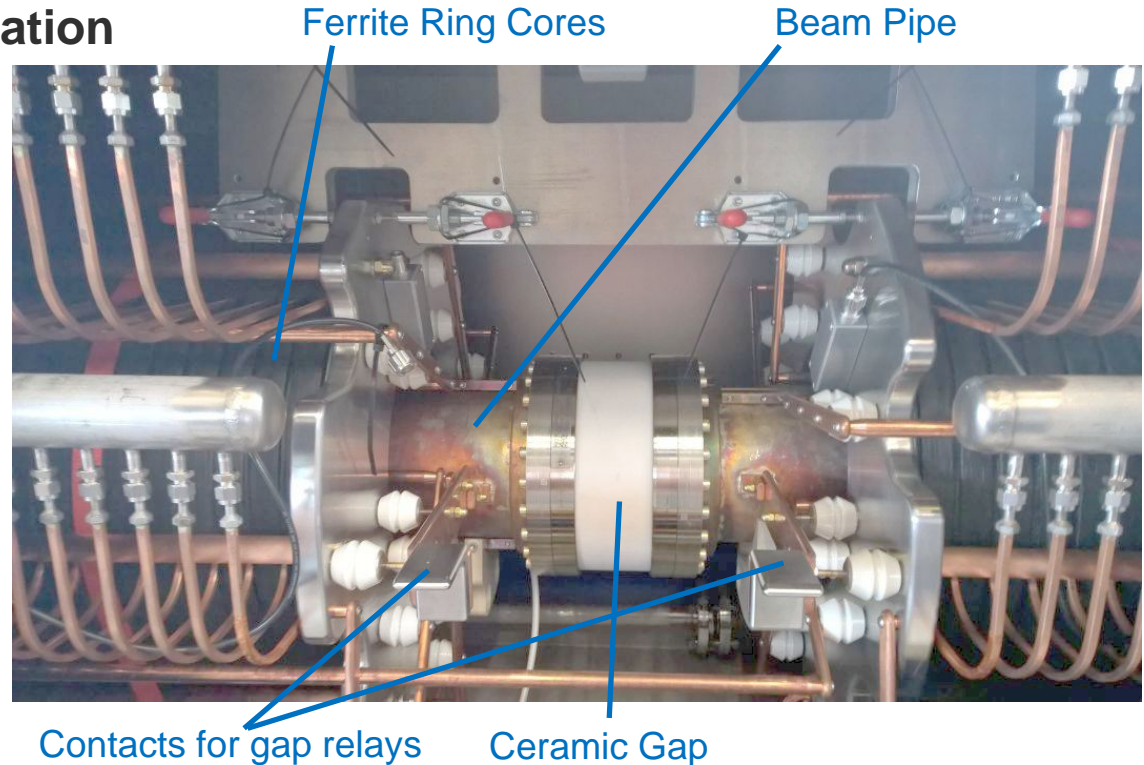
- Typically, tetrode power amplifiers are used due to power and frequency range (and radiation hardness for Ring RF cavities)
- Driver amplifier stages needed to feed power amplifiers

Components: Cavity

Example: SIS100 Acceleration

- 1.1 to 3.2 MHz
- 20 kV gap voltage

Example: MA Ring core for SIS18 h=2 cavity



Tetrode Amplifiers

LINAC RF:

- 10 kW (50 Hz pulse repetition rate, 400 V mains)
- 150 kW (pulsed 30%=6 ms pulse length, 400 V mains) → in future solid-state amplifiers
- new final amplifier: 1.8 MW, 108 MHz (Alvarez, 2 ms pulse length, 10 Hz repetition rate, 20 kV mains)

Ring RF:

- up to 600 kW (up to 3 Hz machine cycle repetition rate, 400 V mains)
- Quick change of working point for pulsed systems

Klystrons

LINAC RF:

- 325 MHz, 2.5 MW (for pLINAC), pulsed <5 Hz, 0.1 % duty cycle

Tetrode (anode)



Output cavity (below tetrode)

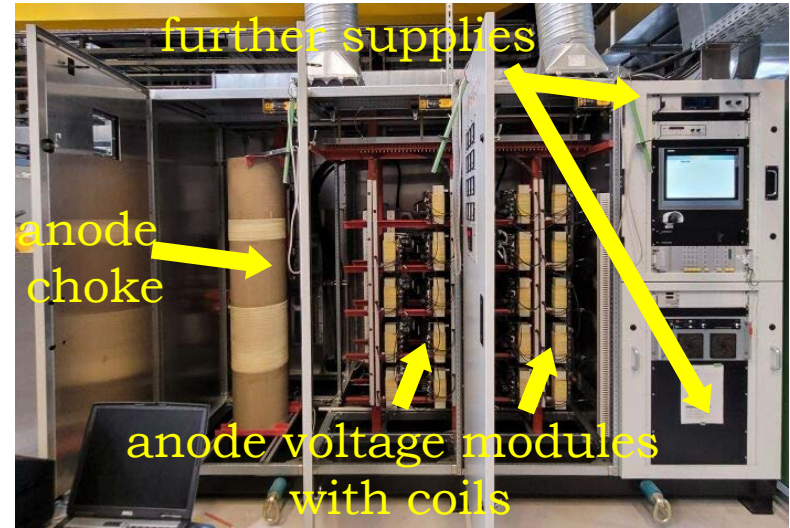


CR debuncher tetrodes (anode)

Components: Power Supply Units

Example for LINAC RF: Alvarez PSU, Anode voltage power supply

- 20 kV mains, up to 24 kV DC
- classical transformer/rectifier principle
- ignitron crowbar for tube protection
- capacitor bank ~ 880 μF (250 kJ @ 24 kV)
- 8 m x 2 m x 3 m
- central PLC with 4 local subunits



Example for Ring RF: PSU for SIS100 Acceleration system

- 400 V mains, 220 kW
- transformer + SMPS principle
- up to 15 kV DC anode voltage
- up to 200 A bias current

Example for Ring RF: Modular Power Amplifier

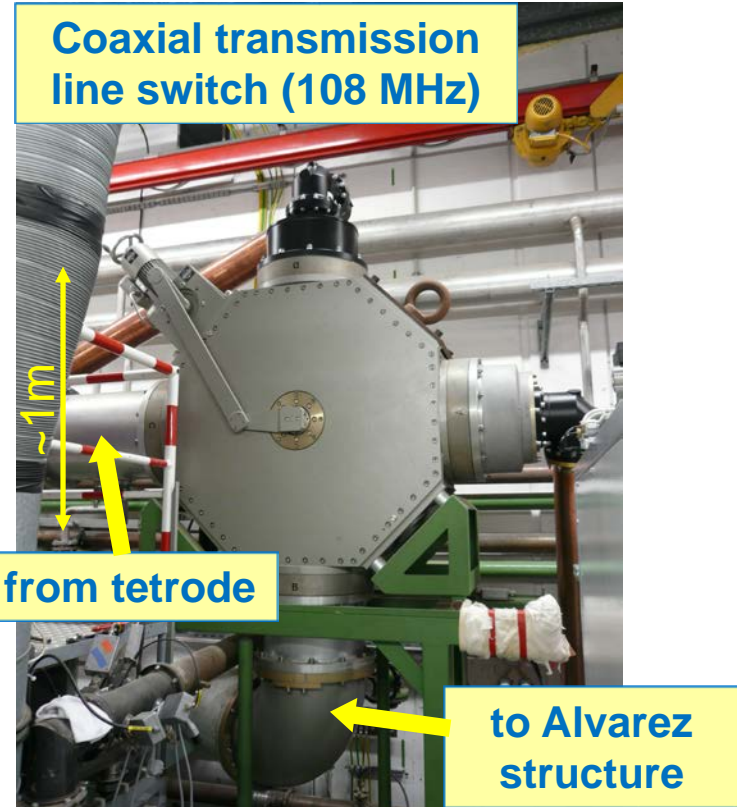
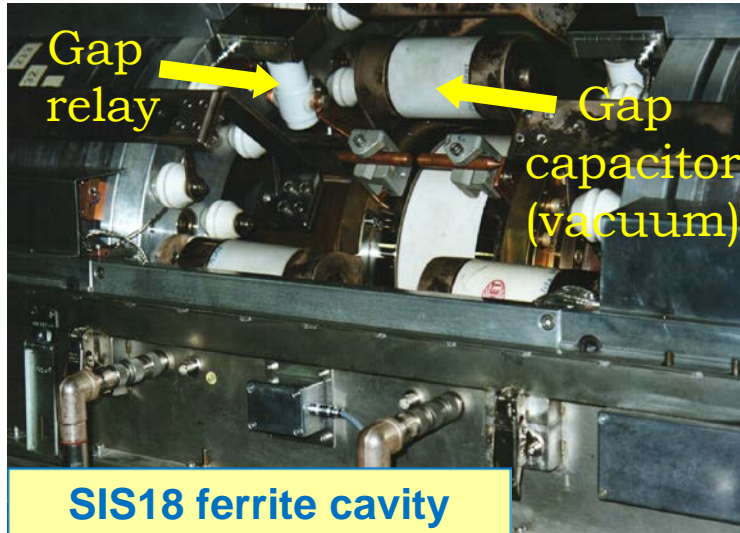
- Delivered by barthel HF-Technik GmbH
- 500 W per module
- 300 kHz ... 6 MHz
- CW
- RF combiner allows combination of 2 or 4 modules



Waveguides and Additional Components

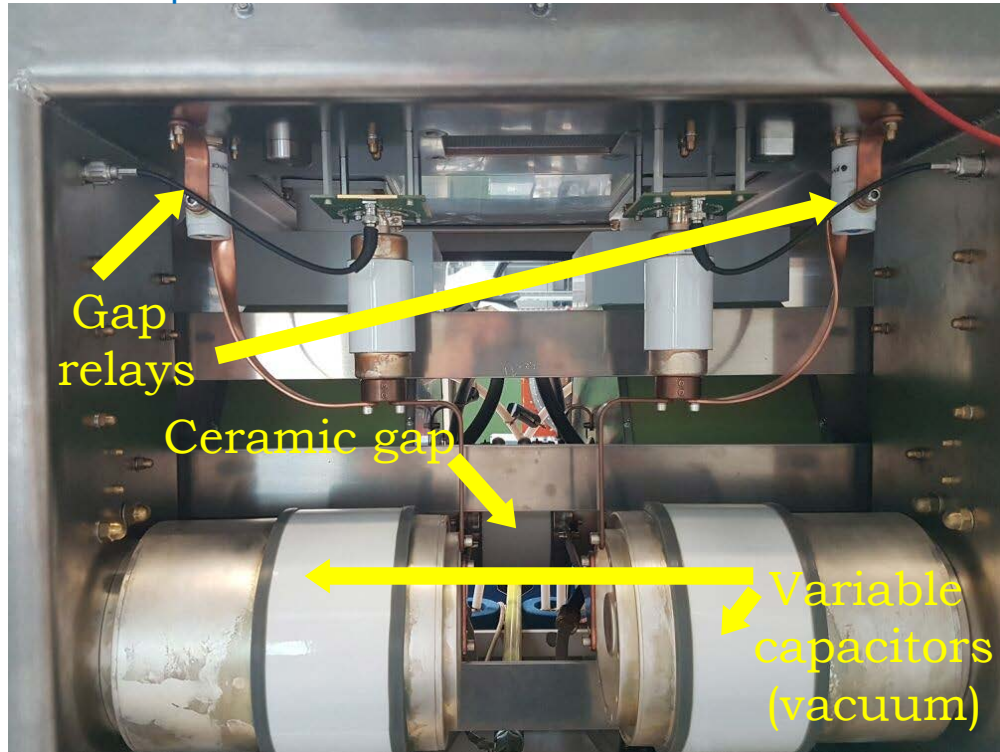
Waveguides, Transmission Lines

- **LINAC RF:**
 - Coaxial lines and rectangular waveguides
- **Ring RF:**
 - Semi-rigid coaxial cables for long distances



Additional Components

Example: CR Debuncher



Example: Circulator for pLINAC RF systems, directional couplers, and RF load (partly visible)



- **Technology will be similar**
- **Commercial off-the-shelf components *and* industrial partners for joint developments**
- **Next systems to be realized**
 - pLINAC and CW LINAC RF systems → see next slide
 - Upgrade of amplifiers for Alvarez structures (call for tenders running for 150kW driver amplifiers)
 - SIS100 Barrier Bucket system, SIS100 Longitudinal Feedback system (4 identical cavities)
- **Challenges**
 - Reliability (6000 operating hours per year, 24/7)
 - Maintenance (must be simple in order to reduce presence in radiation-controlled area and to reduce repair time, must be possible by GSI/FAIR staff)
 - In most cases customer-specific development required
 - Long-term availability of spare parts (at least 8 years, 30 years of operation not unusual)
 - commercial product life cycles are often too short for us.
 - EMC
 - Radiation hardness
 - More automation (measurement technology, data acquisition – also post-mortem, calibration, etc.)
 - Control system integration (FESA, PLC, etc.)

■ CW LINAC Components

- 3 kW solid-state amplifiers
 - 216 MHz
 - both, CW & pulsed operation
 - about 10 pieces required for series
- CW LINAC RF system control (digital) and infrastructure

■ pLINAC Components

- Klystron auxiliary power supplies (DC only, for klystron solenoids) for 7 klystrons
 - 2 pieces 1 kW (about 15 A) per klystron
 - 1 piece 3 kW (about 15 A) per klystron
- Circulators for 7 klystrons
 - 325 MHz
 - 3 MW pulse, pulsed <5 Hz, 0.1 % duty cycle
- Rectangular waveguides WR 2300 full height (about 100 m in total)
- Auxiliary components, e.g. low-power measurement transitions from WR 2300 to coaxial type N

Technology	Estimated expenditure (M€)
Cryogenics, vacuum and leak detection technologies	55
Diagnostics and detectors, sensors, optics and instruments	35
Electrical, power electronics, electromechanical and RF systems	43
High precision and large mechanical components	10
Instrumentation, control and CODAC	34
Superconductivity and superconducting magnets	25
Normal conducting magnets	30
Remote handling	7



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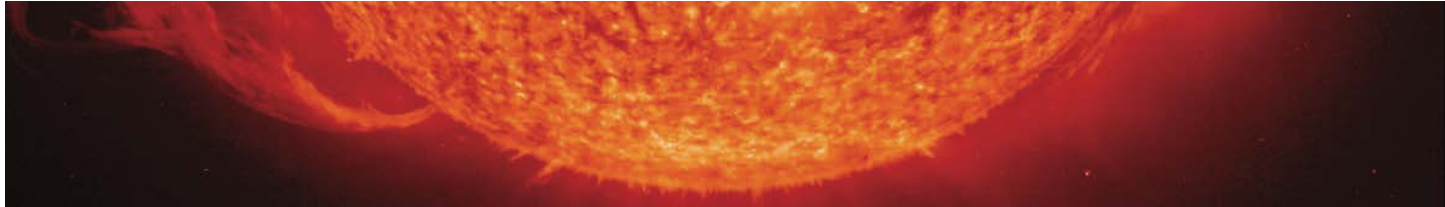
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Appendix

- A world-wide unique particle accelerator facility
- Exotic forms of matter occurring in the universe can be produced and investigated in the laboratory (“The Universe in the Lab”)
- Basic research and the development of applications for materials research, radiobiology, space travel, etc.
- Collaboration between several teams of internationally leading researchers (more than 3,000 scientists)

The four scientific pillars at FAIR



NUSTAR

Nuclear Structure, Astrophysics and Reactions: Stars and nuclei
(850 scientists)

CBM

Compressed Baryonic Matter:
Inside a neutron star
(500 scientists)

PANDA

Antiproton-Annihilation at Darmstadt:
Antimatter research
(500 scientists)

APPA

Atomic, Plasma Physics and Applications:
From atoms to planets to cancer research
(720 scientists)