



# MAD-X

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# Some formalities

## Course scheme:

1. Lectures (Friday 13 and Saturday 14). Introduction to concepts. Exercises.
2. Work in the Exercise in group (Tuesday 17). Assignment of an exercise to each group. Creation of a presentation with the solution.
3. Presentation in group (Thursday 19). Each group will have 10 minutes to expose and questions.

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# Disclaimer

- This course is mostly based on **Werner Herr's** CAS course.
- In some cases, Herr's slides may be used directly.
- This is an **introductory** course, thus, if you are interested in more information and details please go to the next link

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- II. **MAD-X language.** *Syntax, variables.*
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- IV. **MAD-X commands.** *Beam, twiss functions, geometry, plots.*
- V. **Advanced commands.** *Global matching.*
- VI. **What we don't have time for: realistic accelerators.** *Local matching, orbit errors and corrections, particle tracking.*



# I. Introduction

- Purpose of an accelerator lattice software
- What is MAD-X?
- Why using MAD-X?
- Three basic components



# Purpose of an accelerator lattice software



- Definition of **circular** or **linear** accelerators: machine definition.
- Calculation of its **optic parameters**.
- **Simulation** and **correction** of the accelerator imperfections.
- **Definition** and **matching** of desired properties.
- **Beam dynamics** simulations.
- Etc.



# What is MAD-X?

- **MAD-X: *Methodical Accelerator Design.***
- Latest version after a long development (MAD8, MAD9, MAD-X).
- Allows the **design** of accelerator lattices in order to simulate, **calculate** and **improve** its optic parameters.
- It has been used for more than 20 years in machine desing (PS, SPS, LEP, LHC) and in futures proyects (CLIC, FCC, etc.).
- Official website: [madx.web.cern.ch](http://madx.web.cern.ch)



## Why using MAD-X?

- **Multipurpose.**
- Run in the different platforms (**Windows** and **Linux**).
- **Free** software.
- **Easy** to understand.
- The program is clear and **intuitive**.





## Three basic components

When using MAD-X to design a lattice, you have three basic elements in the study:

- A **lattice design**: definition of the accelerator elements, their physical attributes and locations in the machine (sequences).  
*What is the machine in question?*
- A **beam** description: type of particle, energy, etc. *What will be running in that machine?*
- A series of **tasks** to be performed on that given machine, with that given particle beam. *What do you want to study about that machine?*



## II. MAD-X language

- Language features
- Input sentences
- Conventions and Optic variables
- How to run MAD-X?



# Language features I

- MAD-X is an **interpreter**:
  - It accepts and executes **statements**.
  - Statements can be commands, actions, declarations, etc.
  - It can be used in an **interactive** way or in **batch**.
- It makes use of many of the functions of a standard programming language (**loops**, **if**, **macros**, **subroutines**, ...).
- Strong use of **C language**.
- **No case sensitive!**



## Language features II

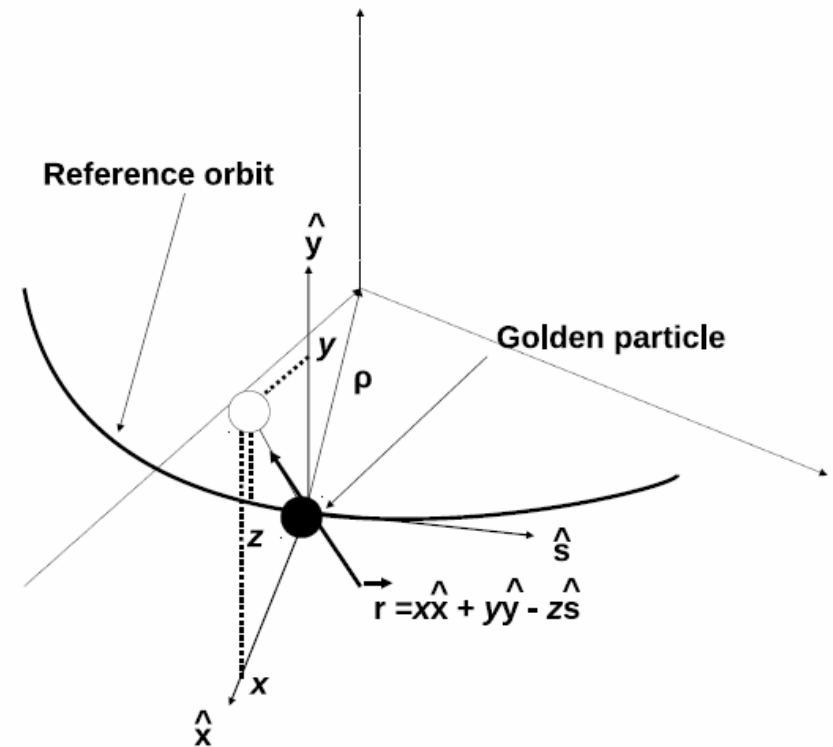
- **All** the sentences **end** with a semicolon ( ; ).
- **Comments:**
  - **Start** with two slashes ( // ) or an exclamation mark ( ! ) if they consist of a single line.
  - Are **enclosed** by ( /\* ) and ( \*/ ) if they span over more of one line.
- Use arithmetics expresions (**exp**, **log**, **sin**, ...).
- **Differed expressions** make use of := .
- Predefined **constants** (**pi**, **e**, **mp**, **me**, ...).



# Input sentences

- Standard **assignments**:
  - Machine parameters properties.
  - Lattice structure.
  - Beam parameters definitions.
  - Errors and imperfections assignments.
- Standard **actions**:
  - Calculation of the lattice functions.
  - Machine corrections.

- **Units:** all parameters are in terms of **SI** units, except the **energy**, expressed on **GeV**.
- **Coordinate system:**
  - The elements are located around the **reference orbit** ( $\hat{s}$ ).
  - $\hat{x}$  is the **horizontal** direction (the plane in which the beam is bent) and  $\hat{y}$  is the **vertical** direction.



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# Optic variables I

- Coordinates in MAD-X (all referred to the ideal orbit):
  - $x$  and  $y$ : **Horizontal** and **vertical** positions  $x$  and  $y$ , in [m].
  - $px$  and  $py$ : **Horizontal** and **vertical** canonical **momenta**  $p_x$  and  $p_y$  **divided** by the reference momentum:  $px = p_x/p_0$  and  $py = p_y/p_0$ , in [1].
  - $s$ : **Arc length**  $s$  along the reference orbit, in [m].
  - $deltap$ : **Momentum deviation** from the design momentum,  $deltap = \Delta p/p_0$ , in [1]. This quantity is used to **normalize** element strengths.



# Optic variables II

- Twiss functions in MAD-X:
  - **betx** and **bety**: **Horizontal** and **vertical** beta functions  $\beta_x$  and  $\beta_y$ , in [m].
  - **alfx** and **alfy**: **Horizontal** and **vertical** alpha functions  $\alpha_x$  and  $\alpha_y$ , in [1].
  - **mux** and **muy**: **Horizontal** and **vertical** phase advances  $\mu_x$  and  $\mu_y$ , in  $[2\pi]$ .
  - **dx**: Dispersion function  $D_x$ , in [m].





# How to run MAD-X? Interactive mode



- In **Windows**, run the executable.
- In **Linux**, execute `./madx` in the containing directory.

```
X: ==> angle = 2*pi/1232;
```

```
X: ==> value, angle;
```

```
X: ==> value, asin(1.0)*2;
```

```
X: ==> dx = gauss()*2.0;
```

```
X: ==> value, dx;
```

```
X: ==> value, dx;
```

```
X: ==> dx := gauss()*2.0;
```

Differed expression

```
X: ==> value, dx;
```

```
X: ==> value, dx;
```



# How to run MAD-X? Interactive mode

- After writing your script in a separate file `my.file` (a file with a given lattice, for example), you can call it in **Windows** and **Linux** after opening MAD-X:

```
> madx
```

```
X: ==> call, file = "my.file";
```

- In Linux, you can also type in the terminal

```
> madx < "my.file"
```



# III. Machine description

- General format and classes
- Element definition: Dipoles
- Element definition: Quadrupoles
- Sequences



# General format and classes



- All the machine elements must be defined.
- Element definitions follow a **general format**:

*name: keyword, attributes;*

- Elements may be described one-by-one, or as a member of a **class**.
  - All objects belonging to the same class **share the same properties**.

# Element definition: Dipoles

- For bending magnets (dipoles):

$$k_0 = \frac{1}{p/c} B_y [ \text{in } T ] \left[ = \frac{1}{\rho} = \frac{\text{angle}}{l} \right] [ \text{in } \text{rad/m} ]$$

- A dipole defined uniquely:

**DIP01: SBEND**, L=10.0, ANGLE=*angle*, K0 =  $k_0$ ;

- Defining a class:

**MBL: SBEND**, L=10.0, ANGLE = 0.0145444;

- Creation of magnets (instances) from the same class:

**DIP02: MBL**; ! (instances of the class **MBL**)

**DIP03: MBL**; ! (instances of the class **MBL**)

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# Element definition: Quadrupoles

- For quadrupoles:

$$k_1 = \frac{1}{p/c} \frac{\delta B_y}{\delta x} [ \text{in } T/m ] \left[ = \frac{1}{l \cdot f} \right]$$

- A quadrupole defined uniquely:

**MQA: QUADRUPOLE**, L=3.3, K1 =  $k_1$ ;

- Defining a class:

**MQ: QUADRUPOLE**, L=3.3, K1 = 1.23E-02;

- Creation of a magnet (instance) from the same class:

**QUAD01: MQ**;

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# Sequences

```

circum = 6912; ← A constant
// bending magnets as thin lenses
mbsps: multipole,knl={0.007272205}; ← Dipole defined as multipole!

// quadrupoles and sextupoles
kqf = 0.0146315;
kqd = -0.0146434;
qfsps: quadrupole,l=3.085,k1 := kqf;
qdsps: quadrupole,l=3.085,k1 := kqd;
lsf: sextupole,l=1.0, k2 = 1.9518486E-02;
lsd: sextupole,l=1.0, k2 = -3.7618842E-02;

// monitors and orbit correctors
bpm: monitor,l=0.1;
ch: hkicker,l=0.1;
cv: vkicker,l=0.1;

cassps: sequence, l = circum; ← Sequence starts here...
start_machine: marker, at = 0;
qfsps, at = 1.5425;
⋮

⋮
lsf, at = 3.6425;
ch, at = 4.2425;
bpm, at = 4.3425;
mbsps, at = 5.0425;
mbsps, at = 11.4425;
mbsps, at = 23.6425;
mbsps, at = 30.0425;
⋮
bpm, at = 6884.3425;
mbsps, at = 6885.0425;
mbsps, at = 6891.4425;
mbsps, at = 6903.6425;
mbsps, at = 6910.0425;
end_machine: marker, at = 6912; ← ... and finishes here
endsequence;

```

Elements definitions

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# IV. MAD-X commands

- Basic commands
- Main script
- Output: Twiss summary and Twiss table
- Output: Plot and Survey





# Basic commands

- Declaration of commands follow a **general format**:

`command, attributes;`

- Some **basic** commands (we have already saw some of them):

- **Call** an external **file** (the definition of a machine, for example):

`call, file = "my.file";`

- **Print** a value in the terminal:

`value, variable_name;`



# Basic commands

- Define a **beam**:

```
beam, particle = [proton | electron], energy = value;
```

- Compute the value of the **twiss functions** at each element:

```
select, flag = twiss, column = [name, s, betx, bety, mux, ...];  
twiss, save, centre, file = "my.twiss";
```

- Make a **plot**:

```
plot, haxis = s, vaxis = [betx, bety, ...], colour = 100;
```

- Geometry of the ring:

```
survey, file = "my.survey";
```

# Main script

```
// Read input file with machine description  
call file="sps.seq";
```

Read the accelerator lattice

```
// Define the beam for the machine  
Beam, particle=proton, sequence=cassps, energy=450.0;
```

The type of beam and its energy

```
// Use the sequence with the name: cassps  
use, sequence=cassps;
```

Use the sequence of the lattice

```
// Define the type and amount of output  
select,flag=twiss,column=name,s,betx,bety;
```

Keep the accelerator parameter in each element of the lattice

```
// Execute the Twiss command to calculate the Twiss parameters  
// Compute at the centre of the element and write to: twiss.out  
twiss,save,centre,file=twiss.out;
```

Keep the information in a twiss file

```
// Plot the horizontal and vertical beta function between the\\  
// 10th and 16th occurrence of a defocussing quadrupole\\  
plot, haxis=s, vaxis=betx, bety, colour=100, range=qd[10]/qd[16];
```

Plot a variable in a range

```
// get the geometrical layout (survey)  
survey,file=survey.cas;
```

Obtain the study geometry.

```
stop;
```

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# Output: Twiss summary

++++++ table: summ

Machine length (circumference), in [m]	→ length	orbit5	-0
Horizontal tune $Q_x$ , in [1]	→ q1	dq1	-8.828683153e-09
Horizontal chromaticity $Q'_x$ , in [1]	dxrms	xcomax	0
Vertical chromaticity $Q'_y$ , in [1]	→ dq2	betymax	108.7331749
Maximum vertical beta $\beta_y^+$ , in [m]	ycomax	ycorms	0

Momentum compaction factor $\alpha_p$ , in [1]	→ alfa	0.001667526597
Transition energy gamma $\gamma_{tr}$ , in [1]	→ gammatr	24.4885807

betxmax	dxmax
108.7763569	2.575386926

Maximum  
horizontal beta  
 $\beta_x^+$ , in [m]

xcorms	q2
0	26.62004577

Vertical tune  
 $Q_y$ , in [1]

dymax	dyrms
0	0

deltap	synch_1
0	0

Momentum  
deviation  $Q_y$ , in [1]

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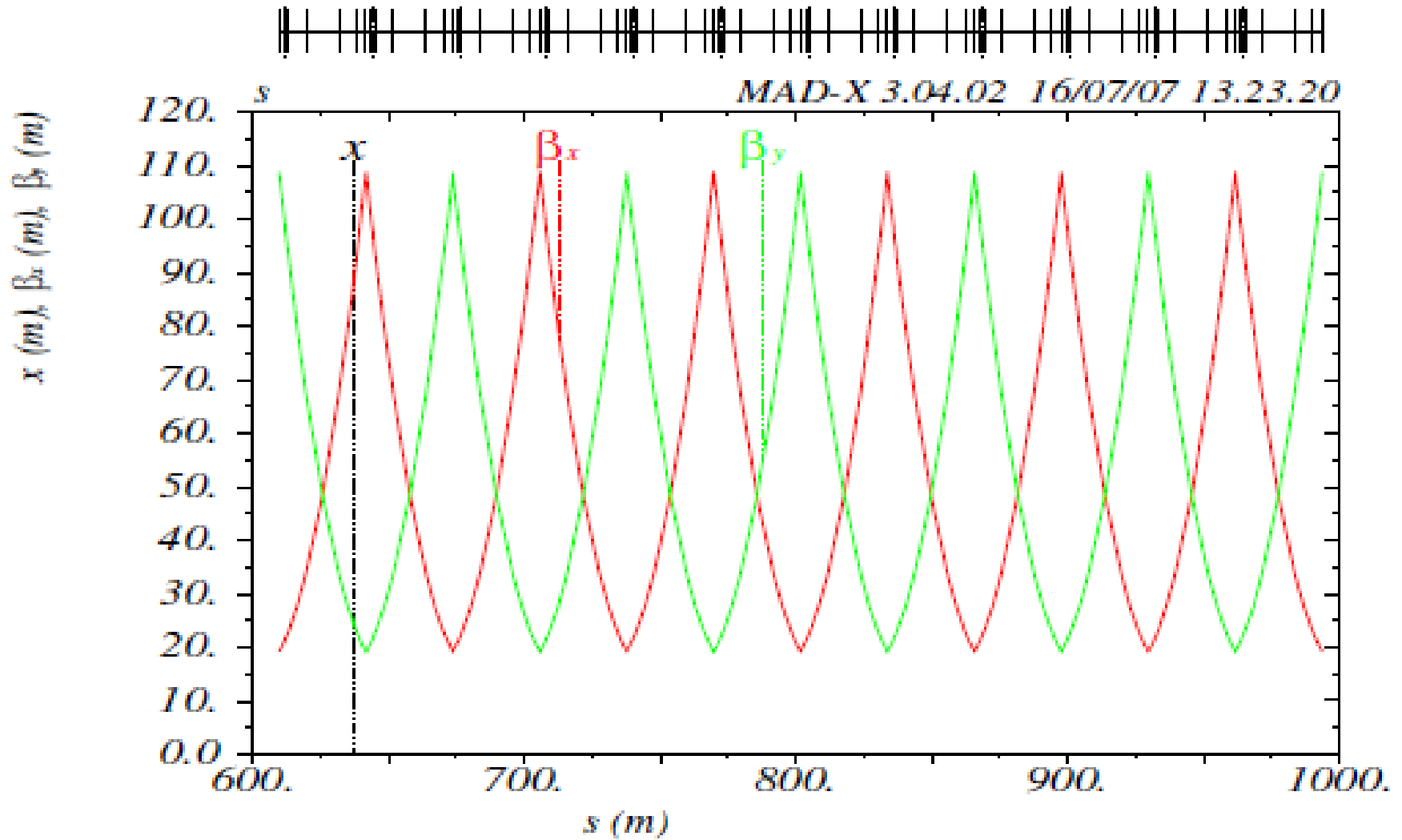


# Output: Twiss table

* NAME	S	BETX	BETY
\$ %s	%le	%le	%le
"CASSPS\$START"	0	101.5961579	20.70328425
"START_MACHINE"	0	101.5961579	20.70328425
"DRIFT_0"	0.77125	105.1499566	19.94571028
"QF"	1.5425	108.7763569	19.26082066
"DRIFT_1"	2.5925	103.8571423	20.21112973
"LSF"	3.6425	99.07249356	21.29615787
"DRIFT_2"	3.9424975	97.73017837	21.6309074
"CH"	4.2425	96.39882586	21.97666007
"DRIFT_3"	4.2925	96.17800362	22.03535424
"BPM"	4.3425	95.95748651	22.0943539
"DRIFT_4"	4.6925025	94.4223997	22.51590816
"MBSPS"	5.0425	92.90228648	22.95242507
"DRIFT_5"	8.2425	79.69728195	27.63752778
"MBSPS"	11.4425	67.74212222	33.5738988
"DRIFT_6"	17.5425	48.41469349	48.35614376
"MBSPS"	23.6425	33.6289371	67.68523387
"DRIFT_5"	26.8425	27.68865546	79.6433337
"MBSPS"	30.0425	22.99821861	92.85270185
"DRIFT_7"	31.7925	20.96178735	100.6058286
"QD"	33.5425	19.29915001	108.7331749
"DRIFT_1"	34.5925	20.25187715	103.8118608
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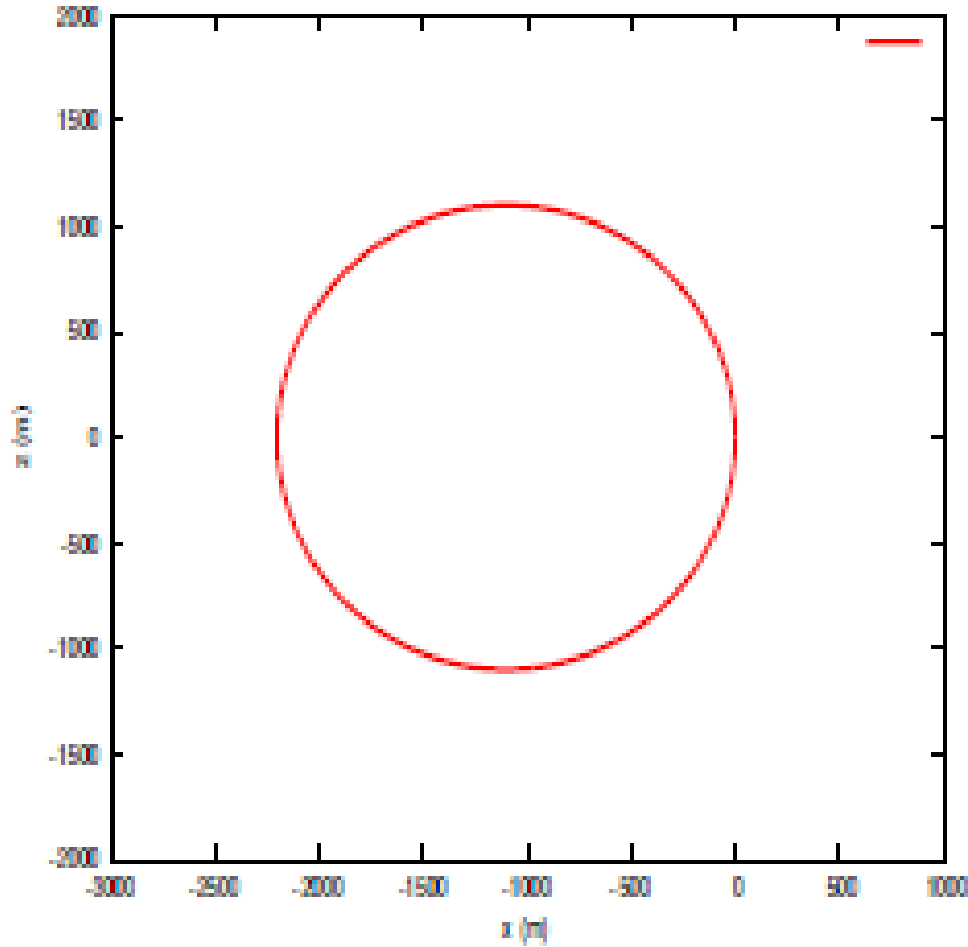
# Output: Plots



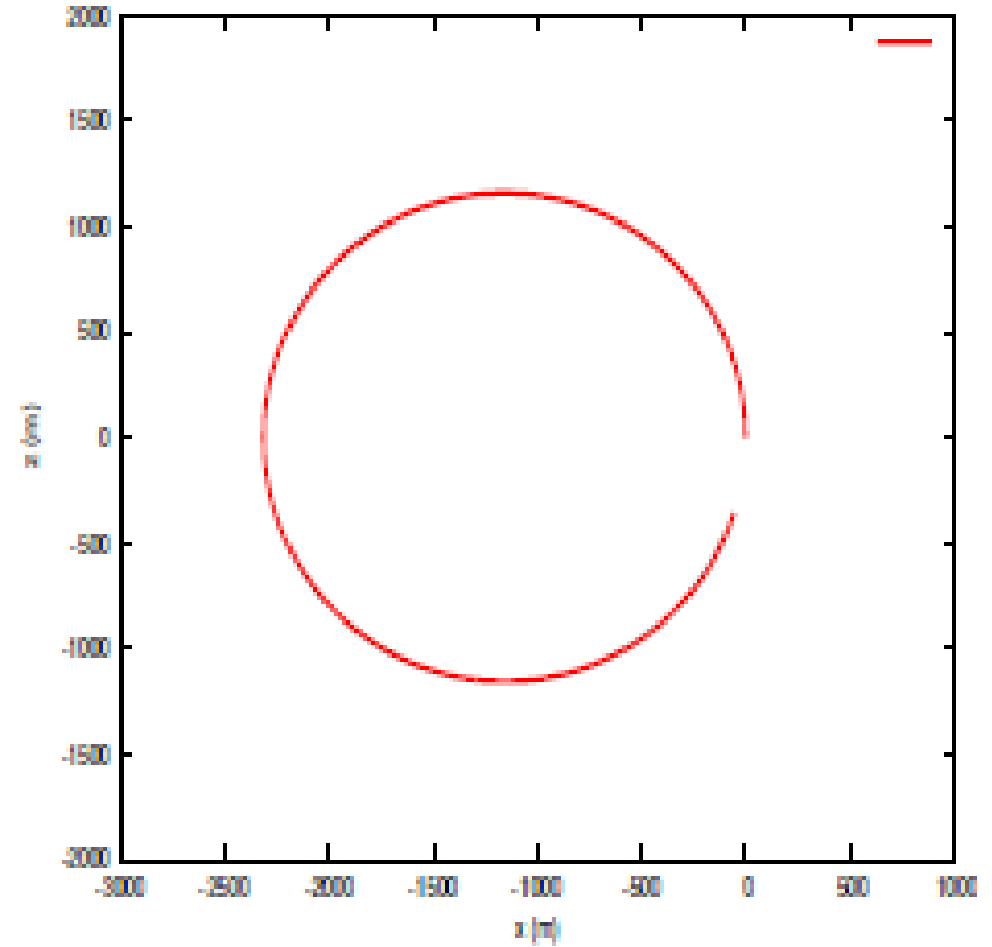
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# Output: Survey

Geometrical survey



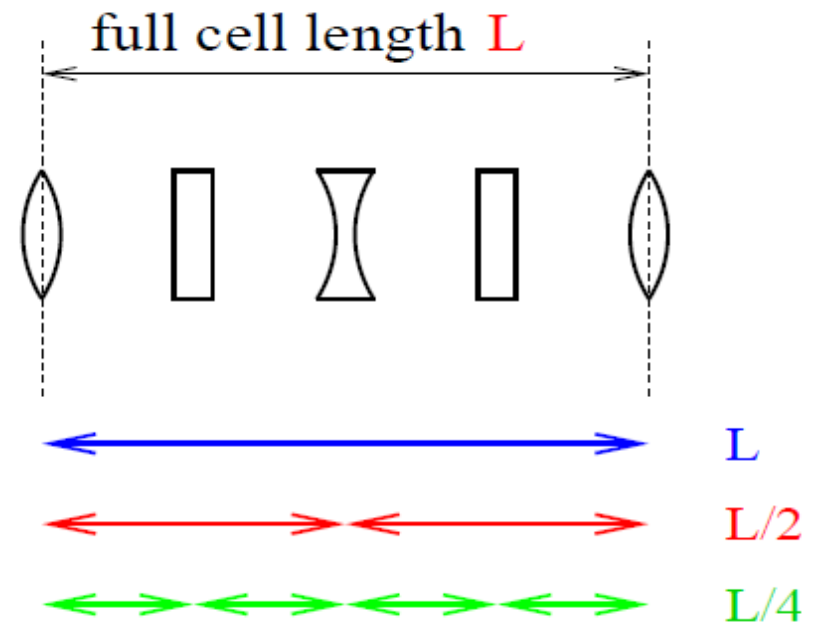
Geometrical survey



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# Exercise I

- *Design a proton accelerator with the following properties:*
  - *Particle momentum: 20 GeV/c.*
  - *Circumference: 1000 m.*
  - *Dipole length: 5 m.*
  - *Maximum dipole field: 3 T.*
  - *Quadrupole length: 3 m.*



*Use 8 FODO cells, the most basic cell used in accelerators*

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