

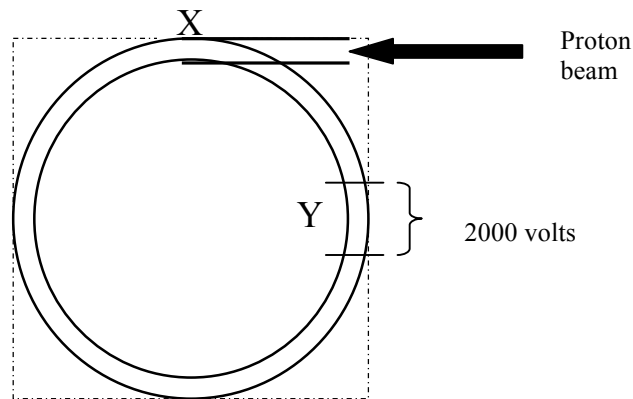
The Proton's Story...

Imagine that you are a **proton** at the Large Hadron Collider. Describe your trip from start to finish using at least 8 of the following terms. (1/2 point for each term used)

- Magnetic field
- Accelerating gap
- Synchrotron
- Linear
- Fixed target
- Positive
- Negative
- Detector
- Cockcroft Walton
- Colliding beam
- Ring
- Steer
- Velocity
- Energy
- Bunches
- Superconducting

Design an Accelerator

You are to design a synchrotron accelerator capable of accelerating protons to a speed of 90% the speed of light in a classroom approximately 20ft x 20 ft. (Answers are disregarding relativistic effects.)



- 1) Convert the classroom length and width to metric units (meters).
- 2) Use the maximum radius available and calculate the magnetic force necessary to steer a proton at maximum speed.
- 3) Calculate the magnetic field intensity, B .

- 4) Would B increase or decrease if the velocity increased?

- 5) Where does the north pole of the magnet need to be positioned if the proton travels in a counterclockwise direction beginning at point X?

- 6) How much energy would the proton gain going once around the ring if it were accelerated only by the magnetic field?

- 7) How much energy will the proton gain (in eV) each time it passes through the 2000 volt accelerating gap (at area Y)?

- 8) Convert this energy to Joules.

- 9) How much kinetic energy will the proton have at the maximum speed of $0.9c$?

10) How many times must the proton travel through the accelerating gap (at area Y) to produce the necessary speed of $0.9c$?

Possible addition...

11) – 20) Recalculate the answers to questions 1 through 10 if the size of the room is now 1000 ft x 1000 ft.

