

MagnetoHydroDynamics (MHD)

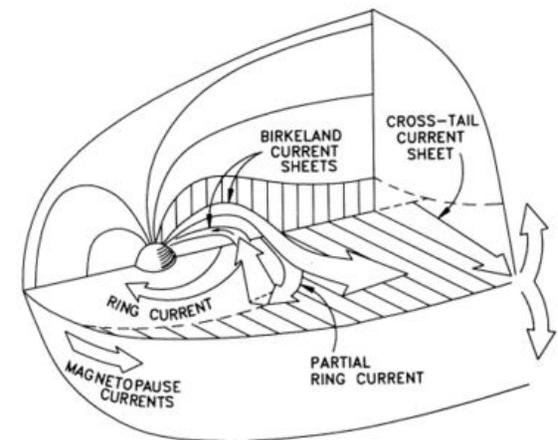
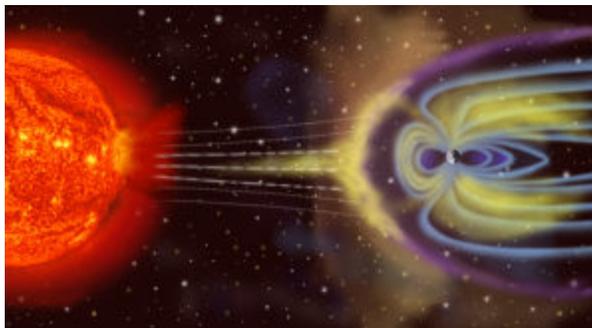
- MHD consists in solving Maxwell's and fluid dynamics equations for conducting fluids.
- Every day's examples of MHD
 - Earth's magnetic field, the Riga dynamo experiment
 - Plasma physics, magnetosphere, stars (sun's spots)
 - Metallurgy (flow control and steering of molten metals)

Forces on charged particles:

Electrostatic $q \mathbf{E}$

Electrodynamics $q \, d\mathbf{B}/dt$

Lorentz $q \mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{B}$



Hannes Alfvén, received the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1970 for his contribution to MHD

The Riga Dynamo Experiment

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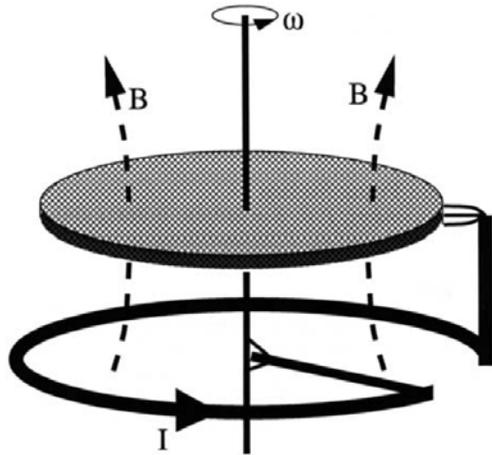


Figure 1. Bullard's disk dynamo. The rotation of the disk in a given magnetic field B induces a current in the wire that amplifies the magnetic field. At a certain critical value of the rotation rate ω , self-excitation occurs.

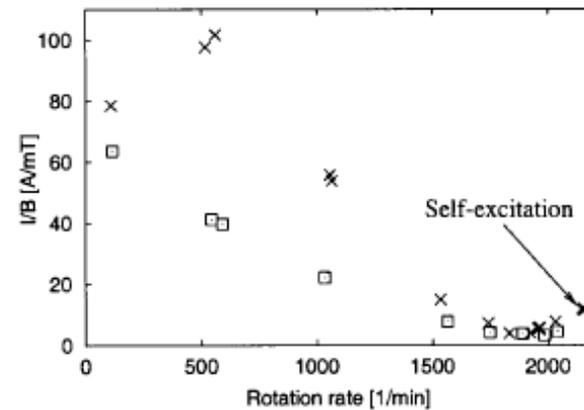
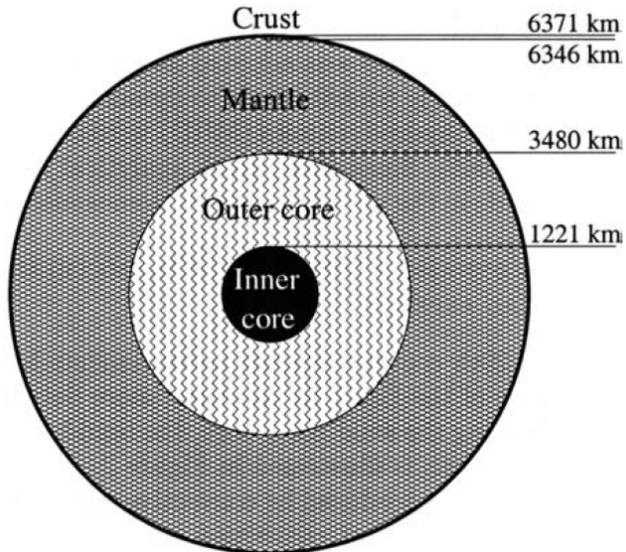
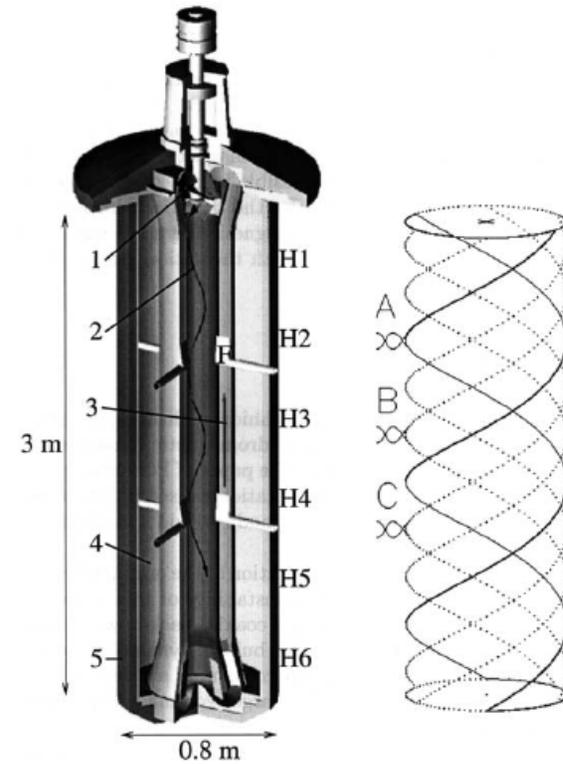


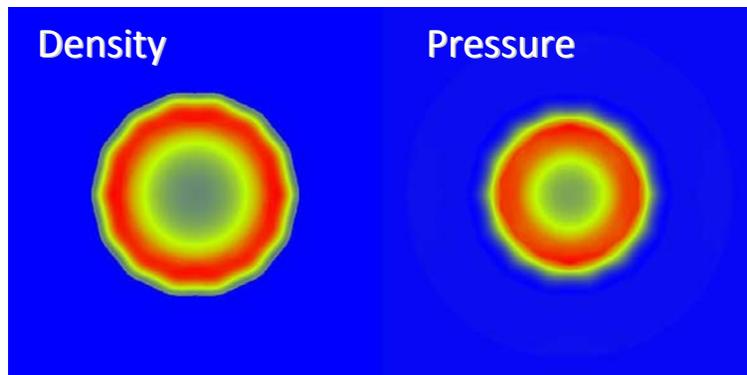
Figure 5. Magnetic field amplification depending on the propeller rotation rate for a seed field frequency $f = 1$ Hz. The ordinate axis shows the inverse relation of the measured magnetic field to the current in the seed field coils. Squares and crosses correspond to two different settings of the 3-phase current in the seed field coils with respect to the propeller rotation. At the highest rotation rate of 2150 rpm, self-excitation occurred, in addition to the amplification of the seed field.

References, further reading

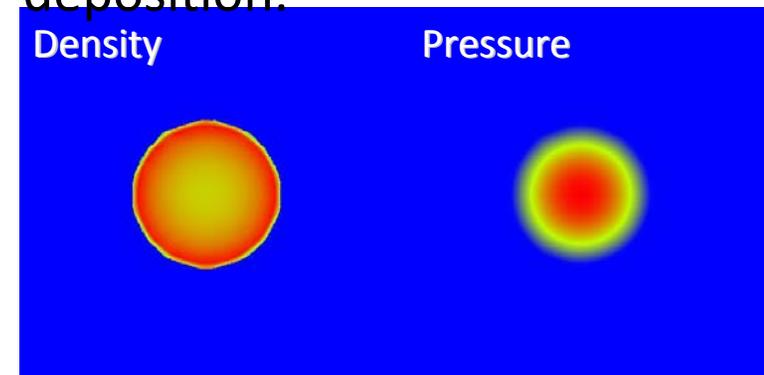
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Numerical example: propagation of shock waves due to external energy deposition

Evolution of a hydro shock.



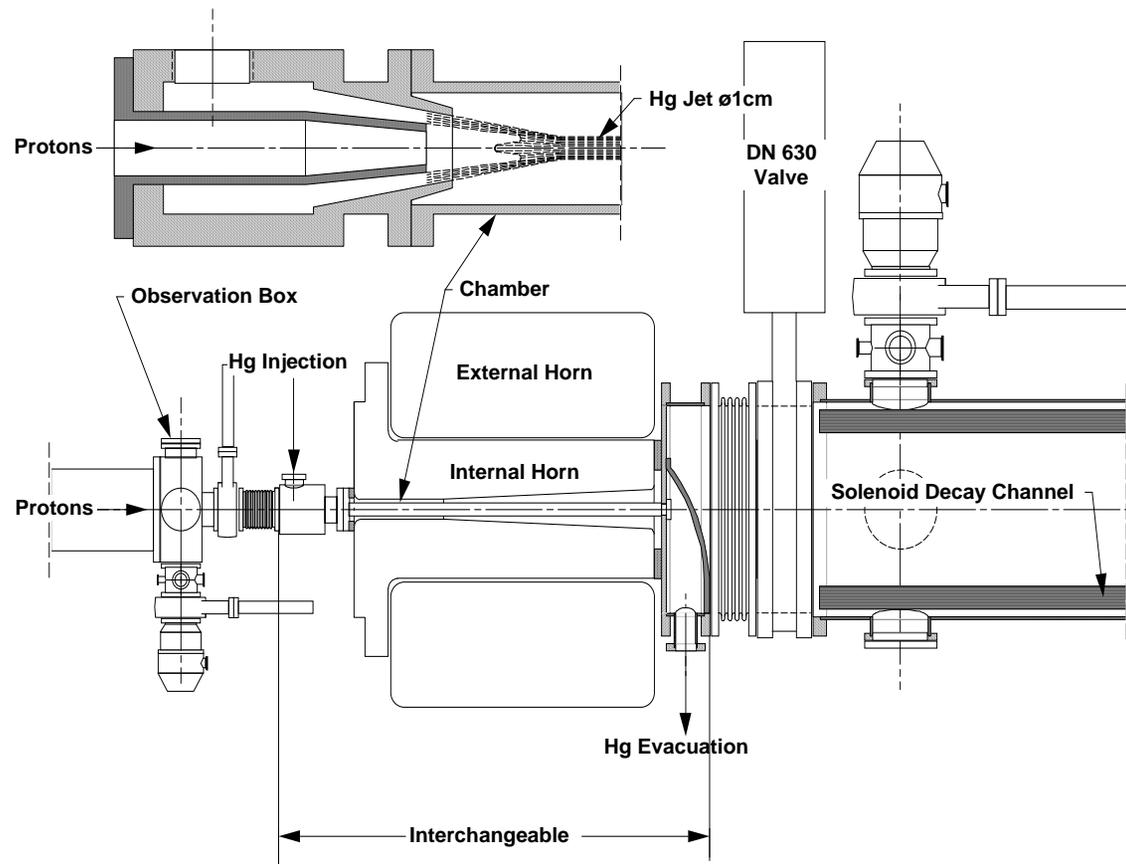
MHD effects reduce the velocity of the shock and the impact of the energy deposition.



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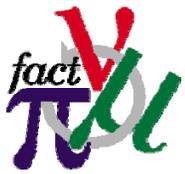
MHD in Nufact targetry

- Injection of the High velocity Hg jet into a 20 T dc-magnetic field
- Nozzle, MHD enhanced corrosion (Hartmann Layer)



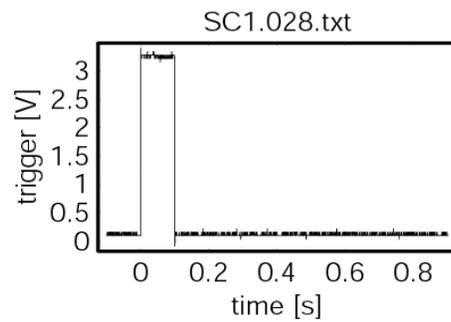
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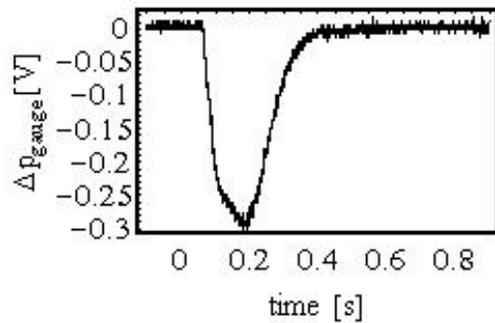


Setup of the observation chamber in the M9 magnet

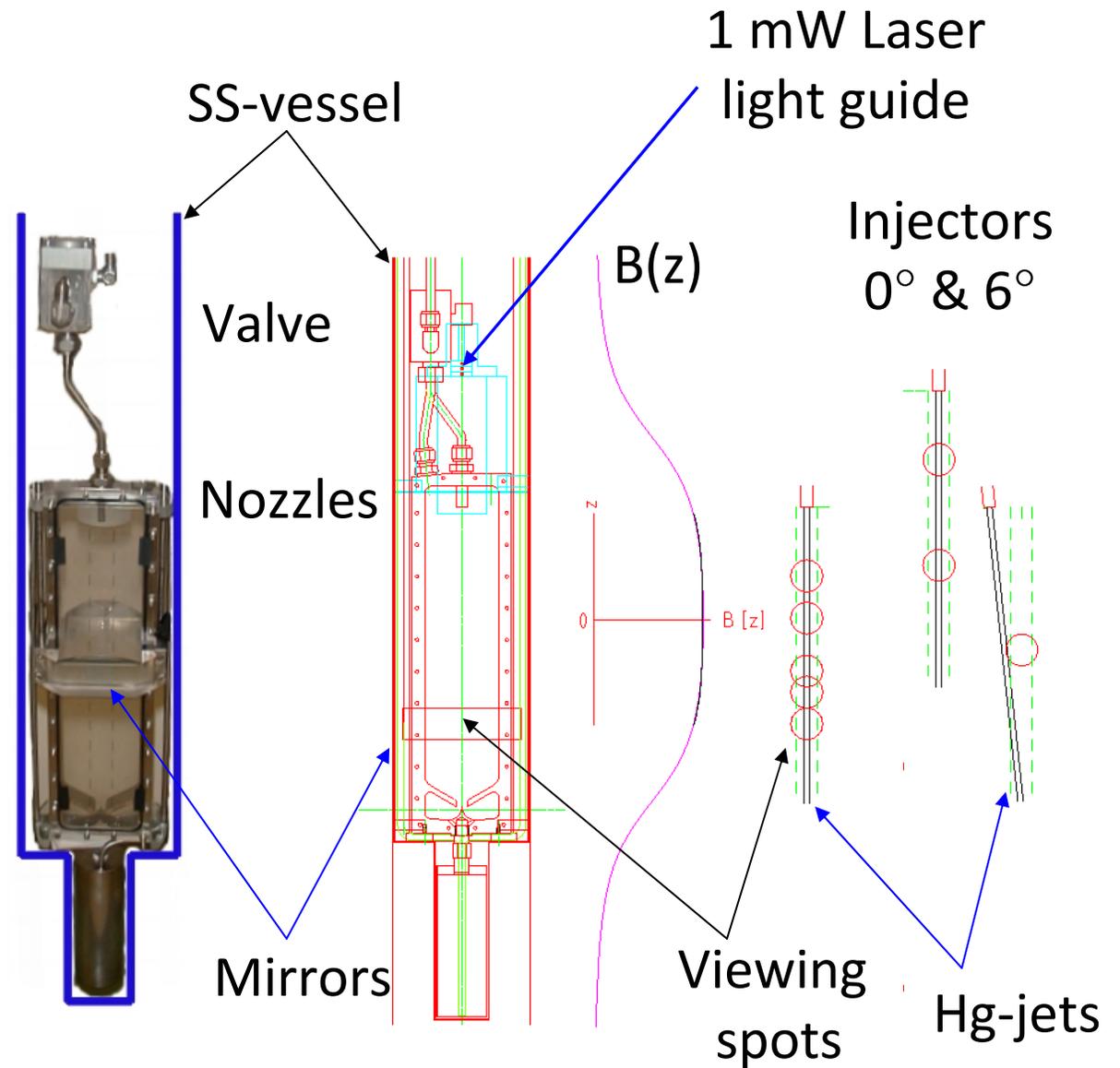
Air activated Hg-pump



Pneumatic valve trigger signal

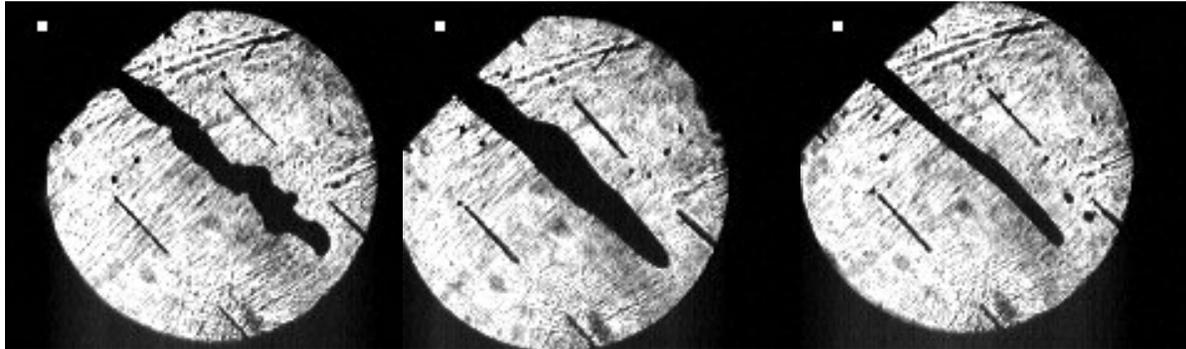


Hg-dynamic pressure in the pipe between pump and valve



Jet velocities and shapes,
injection at 6° , $P(\text{Hg}) = 64 \text{ bar}$

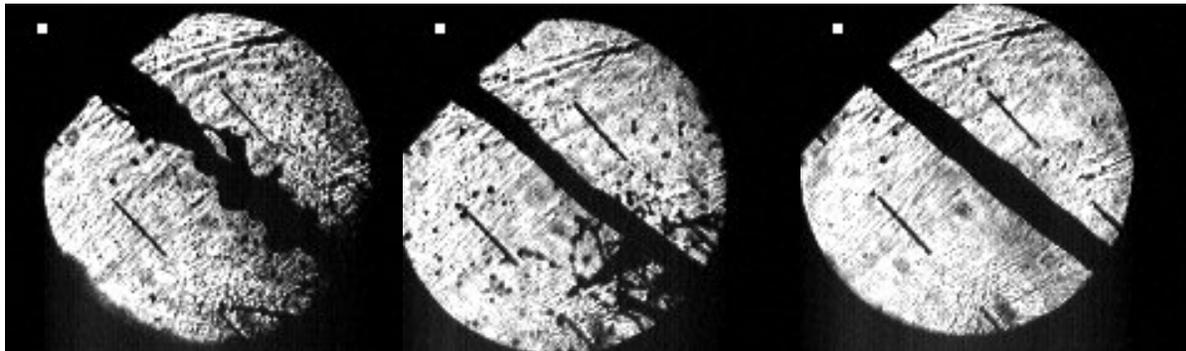
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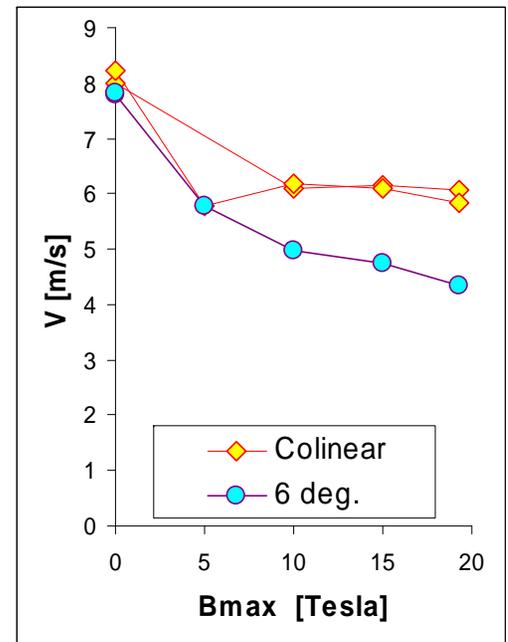
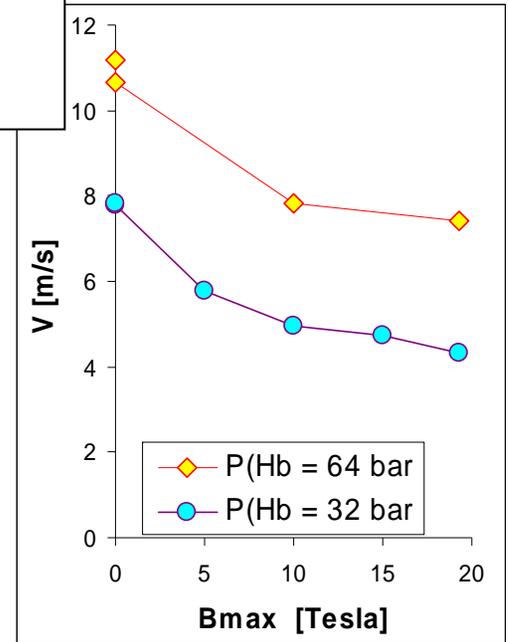
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10 T

19.3 T

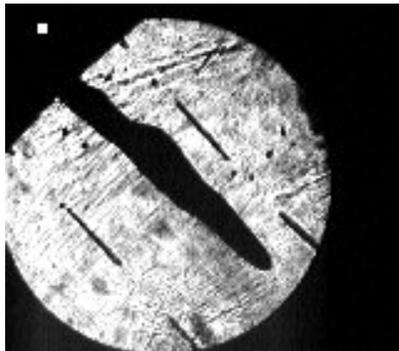


~10ms after the tip of the Hg-jet

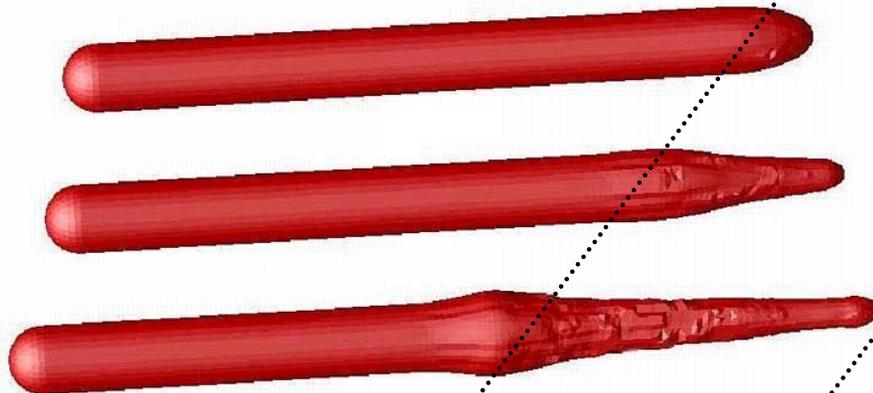


Simulation:
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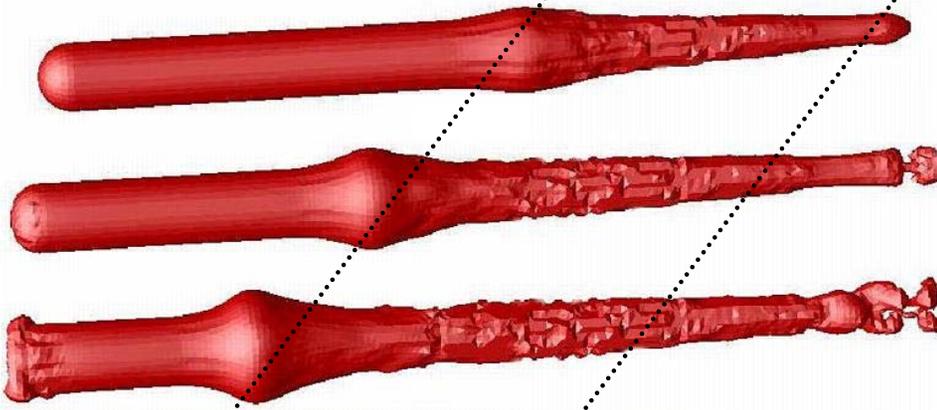
10 T



Mercury jet entering 20 T solenoid



Mercury jet leaving 20 T solenoid



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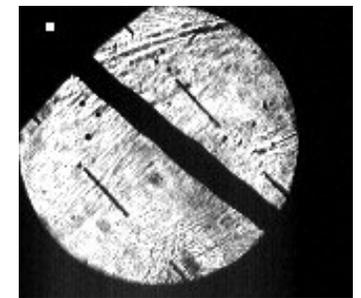
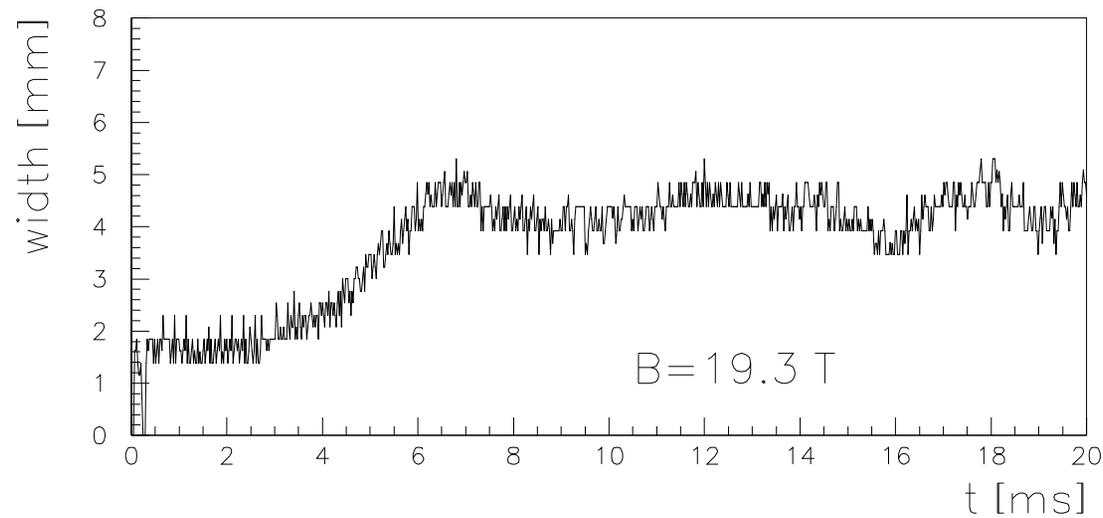
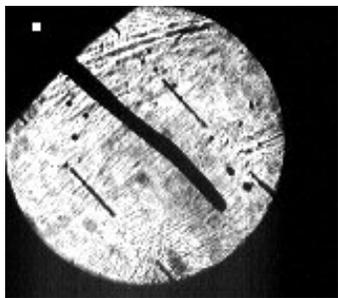
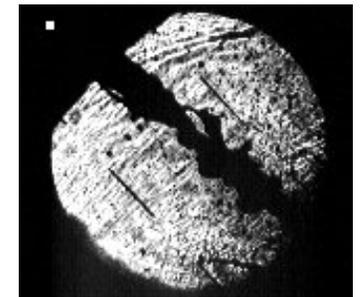
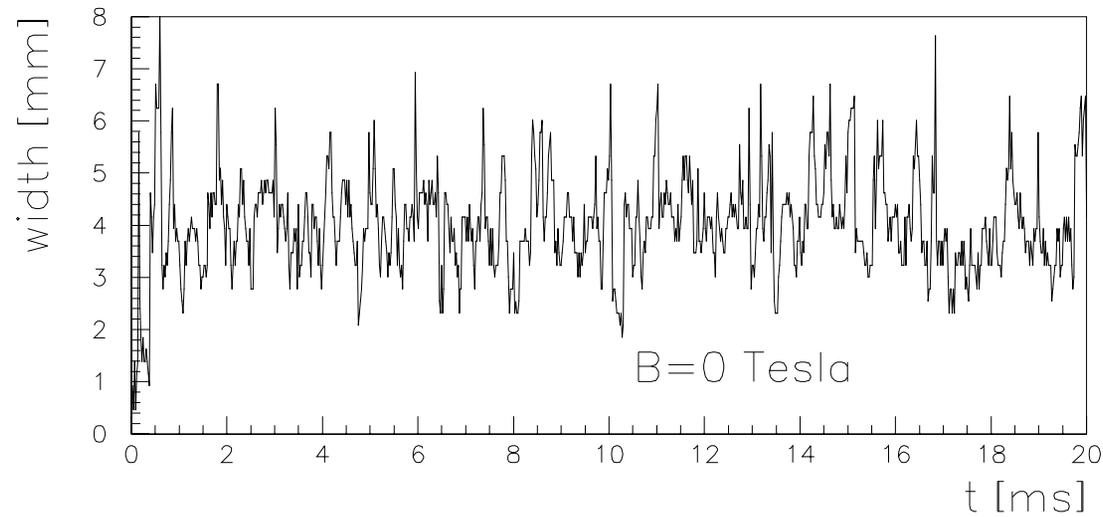
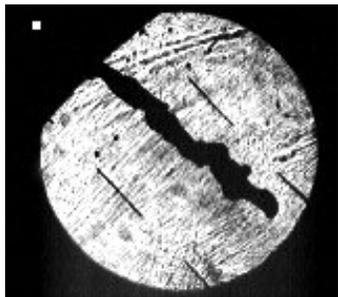
$B_{\max} \approx \gamma \frac{AB-A}{B}$

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MHD damping of the instabilities of a 11 m/s Hg-jet successfully injected into a 19.3 T magnetic field

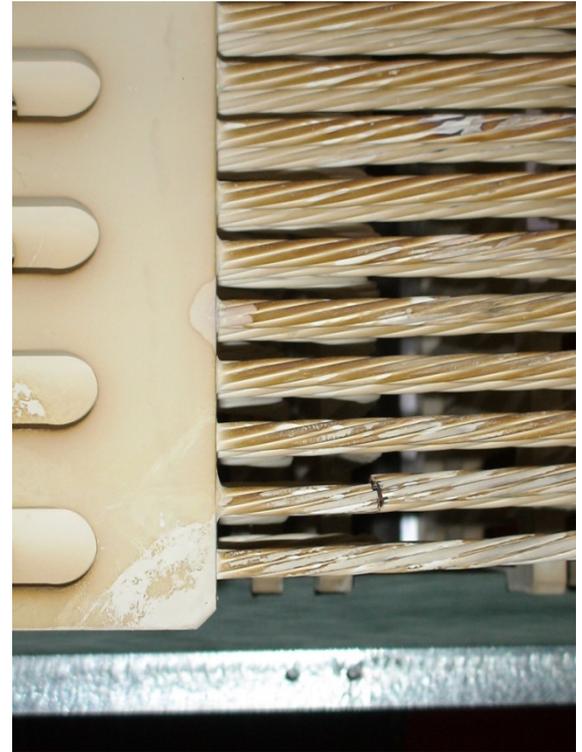
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The radius is measured at a fixed position



Materials properties

- Fatigue,
- Embrittlement
- Heat conductivity
- Modulus of elasticity
- Rupture
- Corrosion, metals compatibility

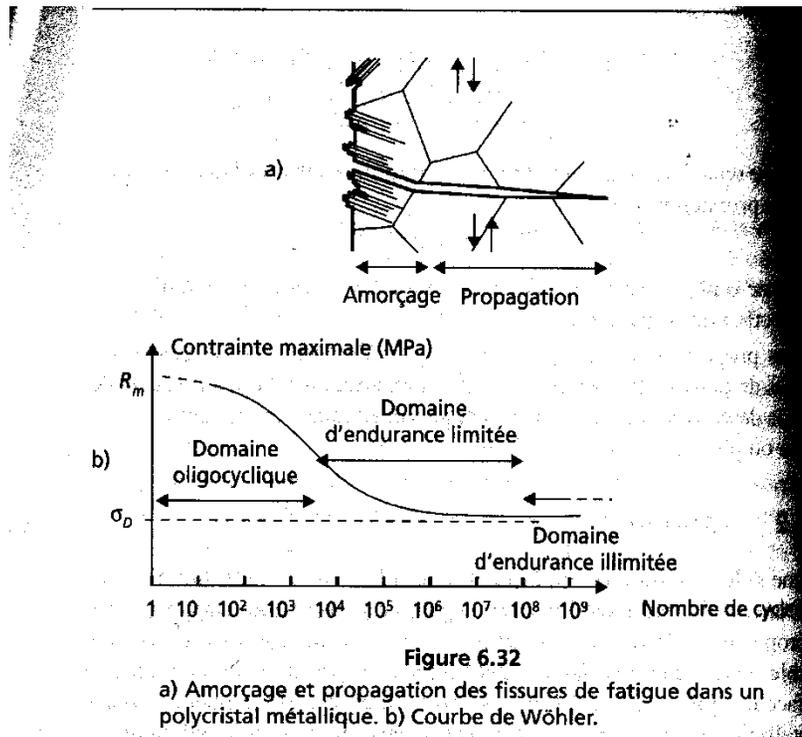
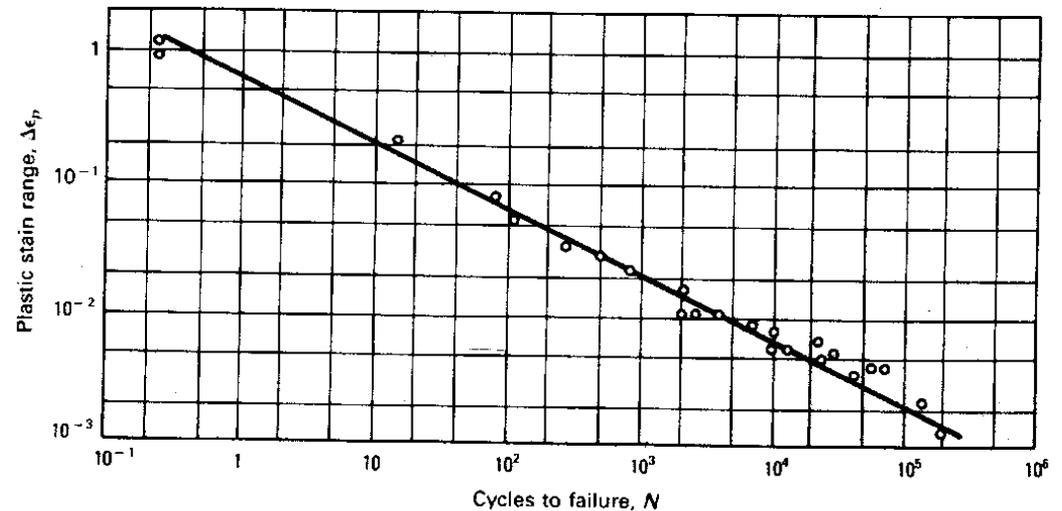


Fatigue.

- Fatigue behavior is described by Wöler (S-N) diagram and Manson–Coffin law for low-cycle fatigue
- The curve depends on
 - Material, state, surface, environment, ...
- It is an statistical phenomenon, with considerable scattering
- It follows initiation – propagation – final fracture

Fig. 2 Low-cycle fatigue curve ($\Delta\epsilon_p$ versus N) for type 347 stainless steel

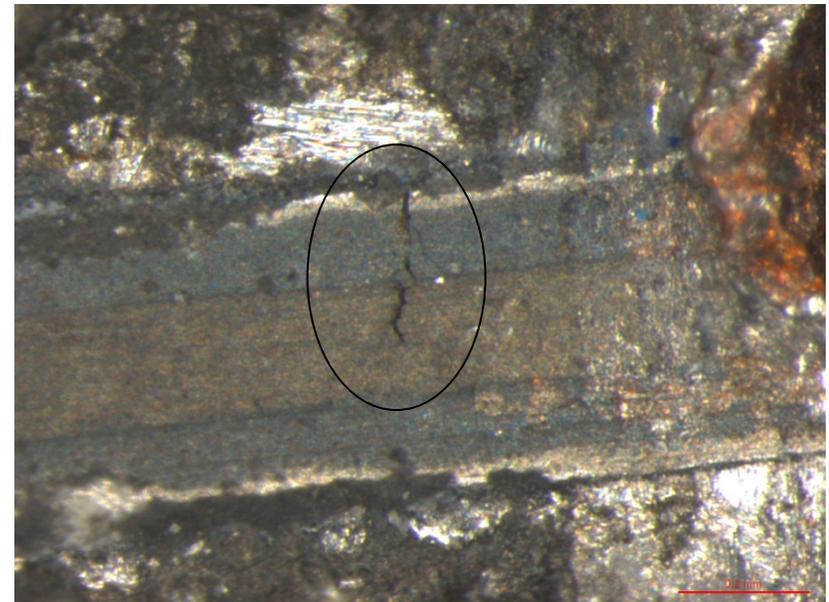
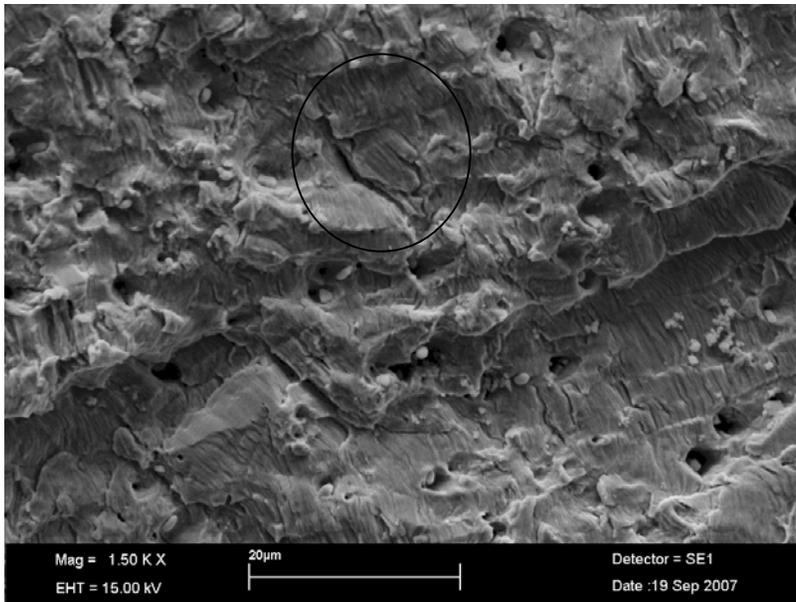
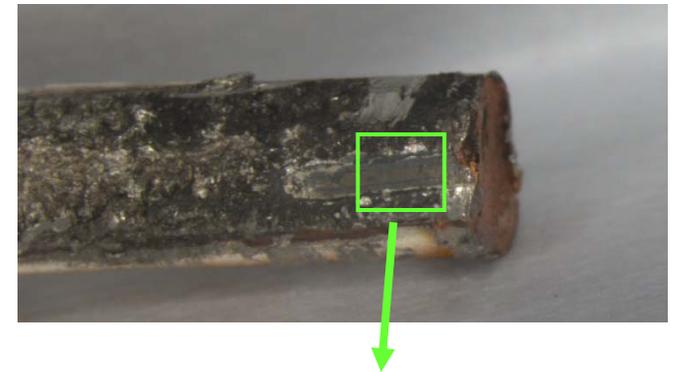
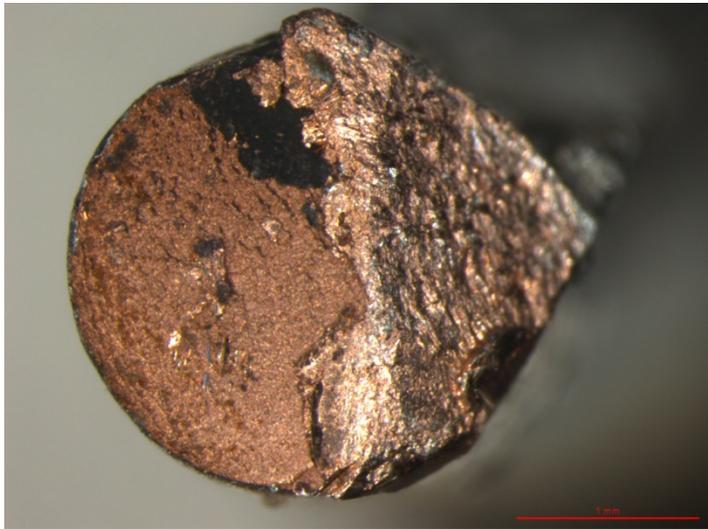
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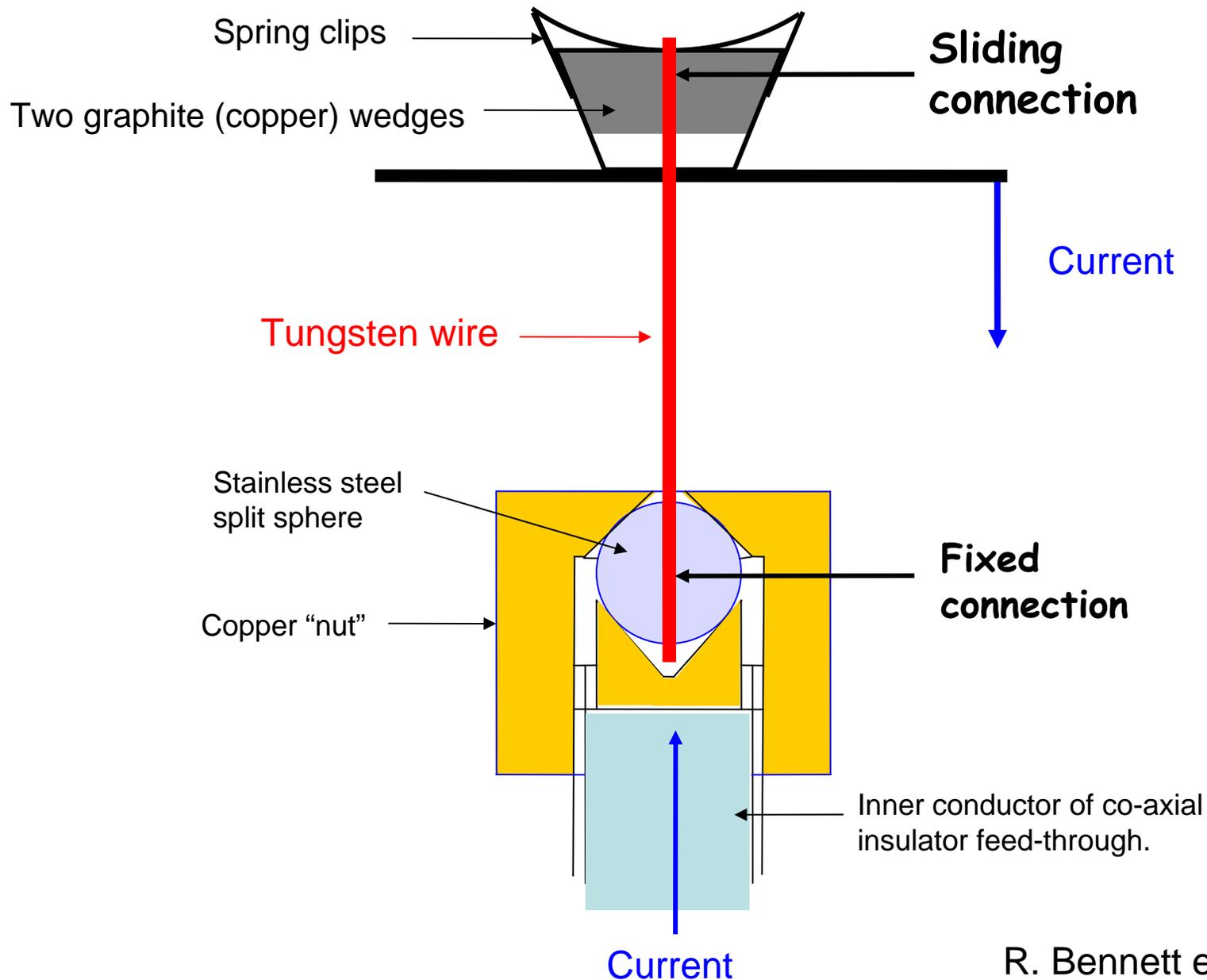
Fatigue failure

- Beach marks
- Striations
- Secondary cracks



Meeting on the broken cable in
CNGS horn strip lines,
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Vertical Section through the Wire Test Apparatus



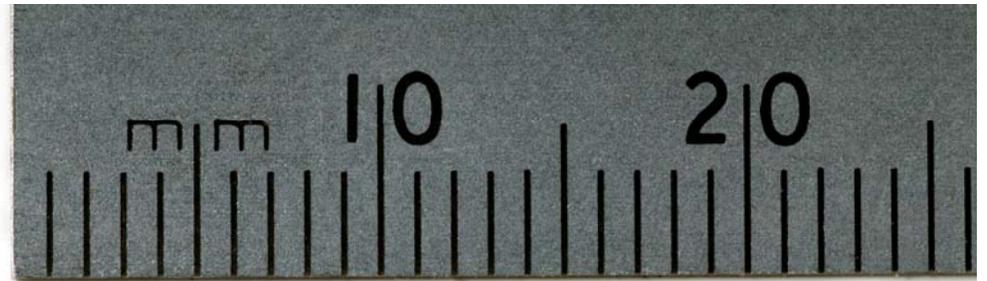
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Photograph of the tantalum wire showing characteristic wiggles before failure.



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W3 Tungsten Wire, after operating at 4900 A, peak temperature 1800 K, for 3.3×10^6 pulses and then a few pulses at 7200 A at >2000 K.

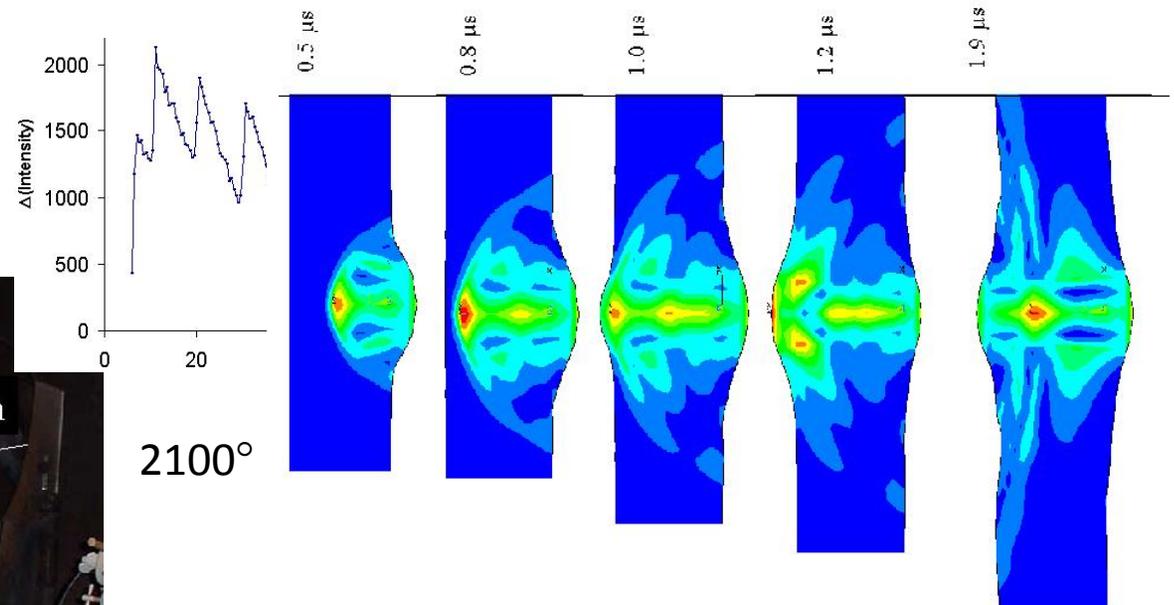
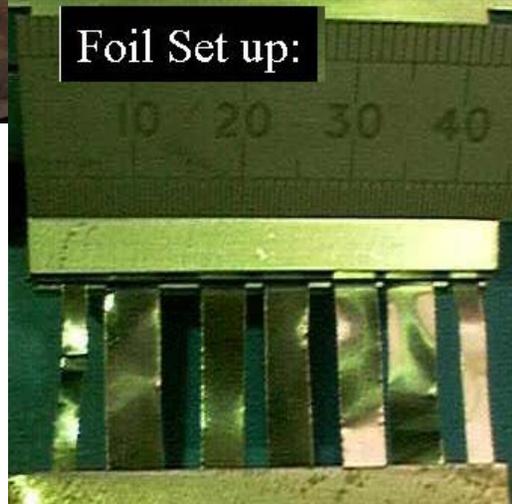
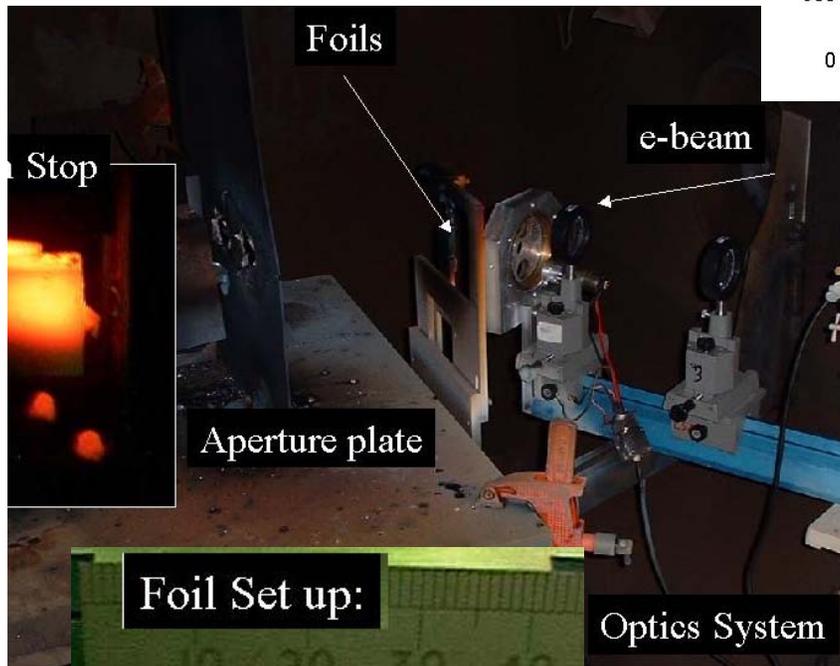


W5 Tungsten Wire showing "wiggles": 6200 A, >2000 K peak temperature, 5625 pulses.

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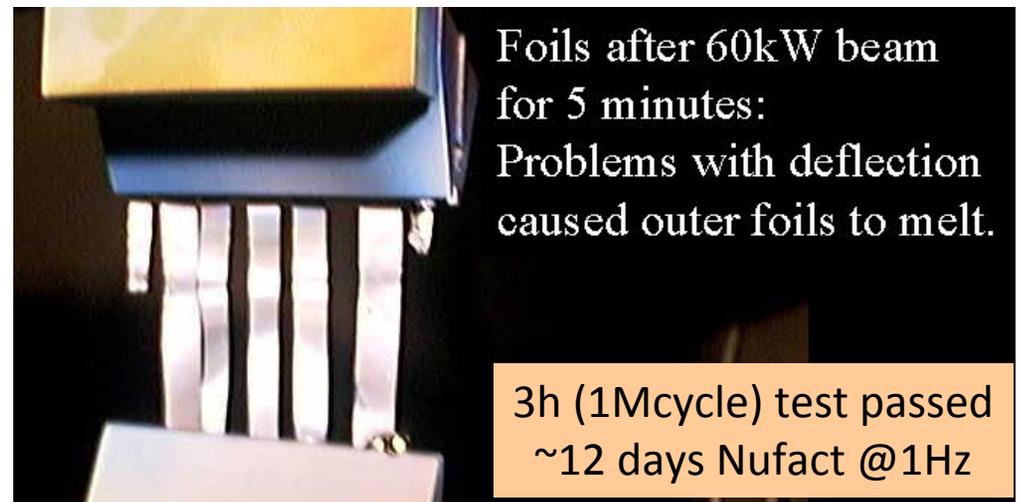
Solid target tests

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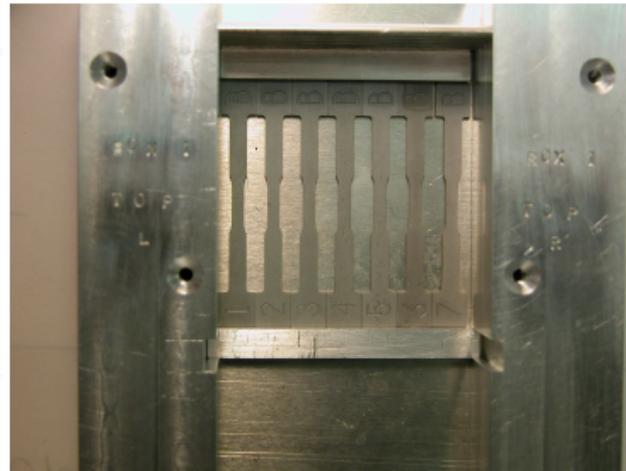
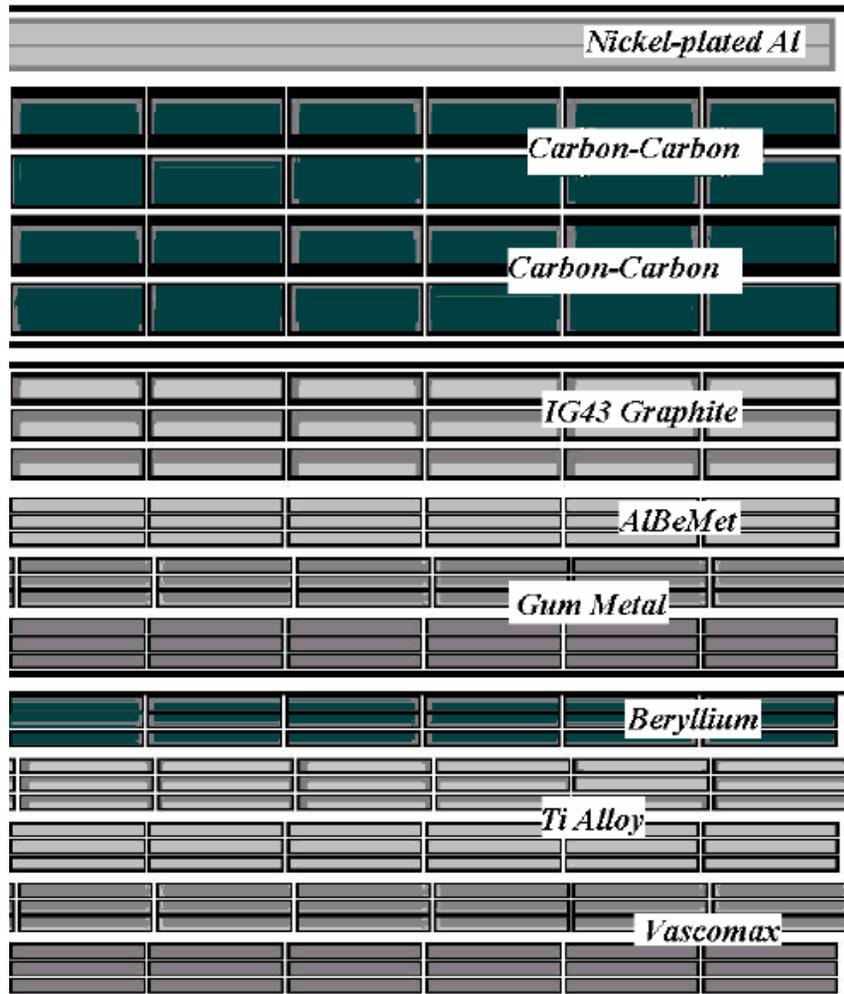
Shock Wave moving in foil

3d-code for shock propagation ?



Material tests after irradiation

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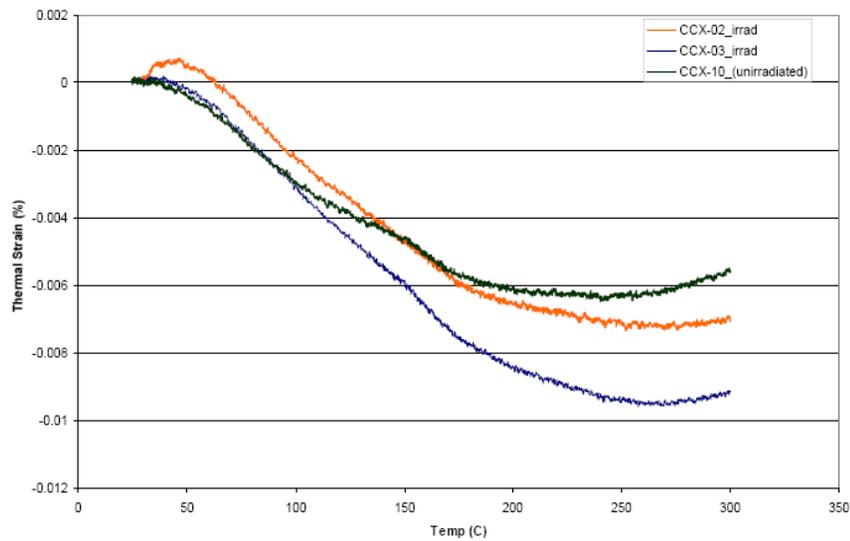


Few **dpa** (displacement per atom) expected in materials surrounding the target

C-composite

Th-expansion

Ref: N.Simos et.at BNL



Th-conductivity

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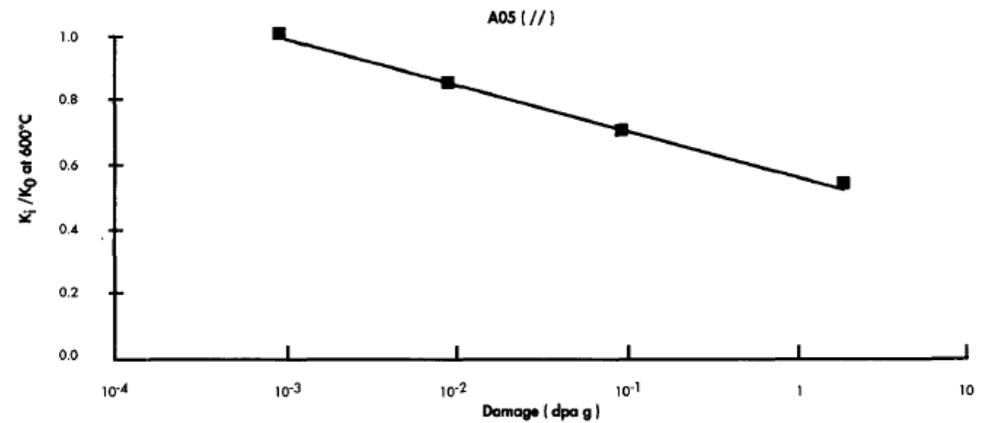
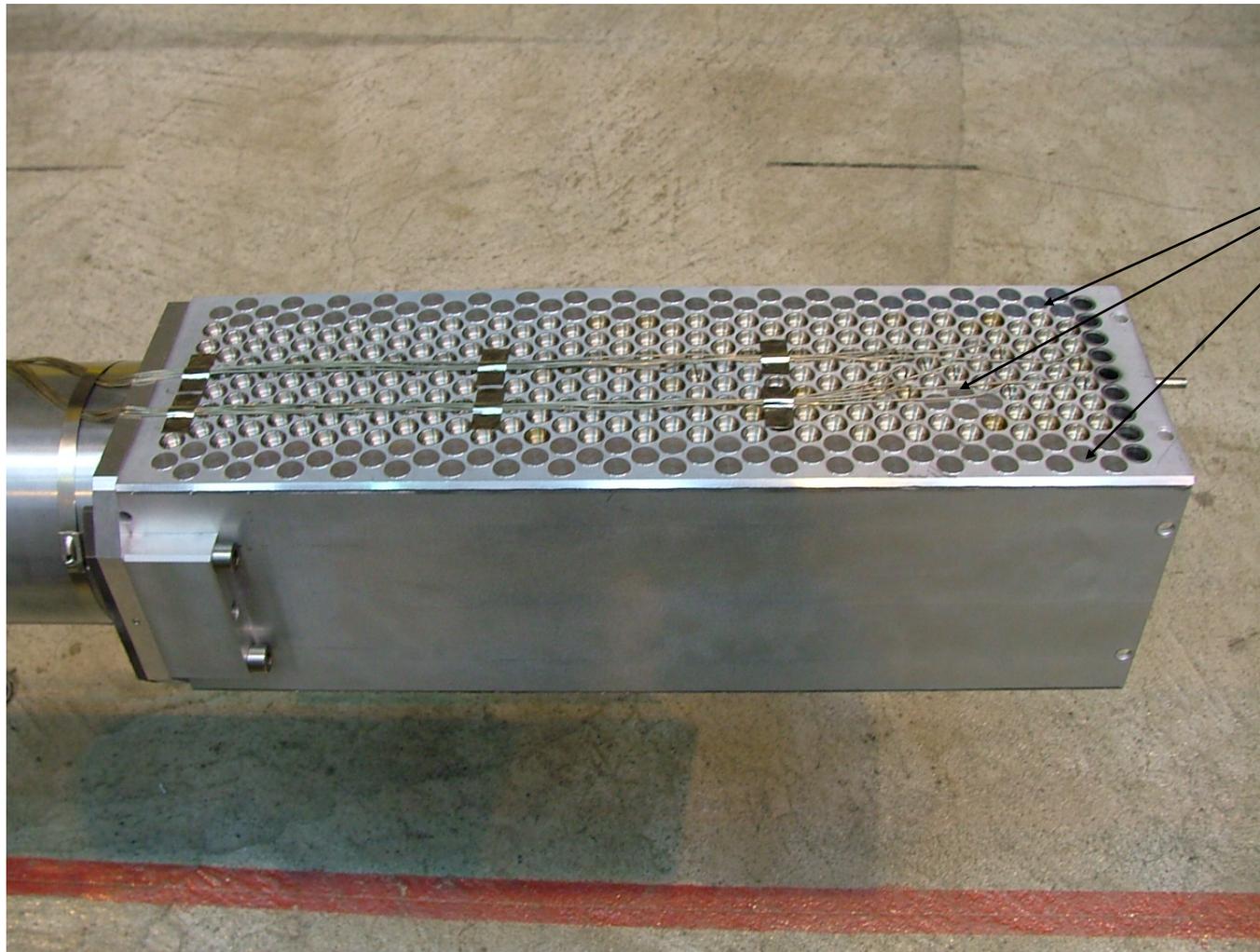


Fig. 4. Thermal conductivity A 05(//) normalized at 600°C as a function of neutron damage.

SINQ-Target Mark 4:

⇒ **Solid target: Lead clad in steel tubes, partly clad in Zircaloy**

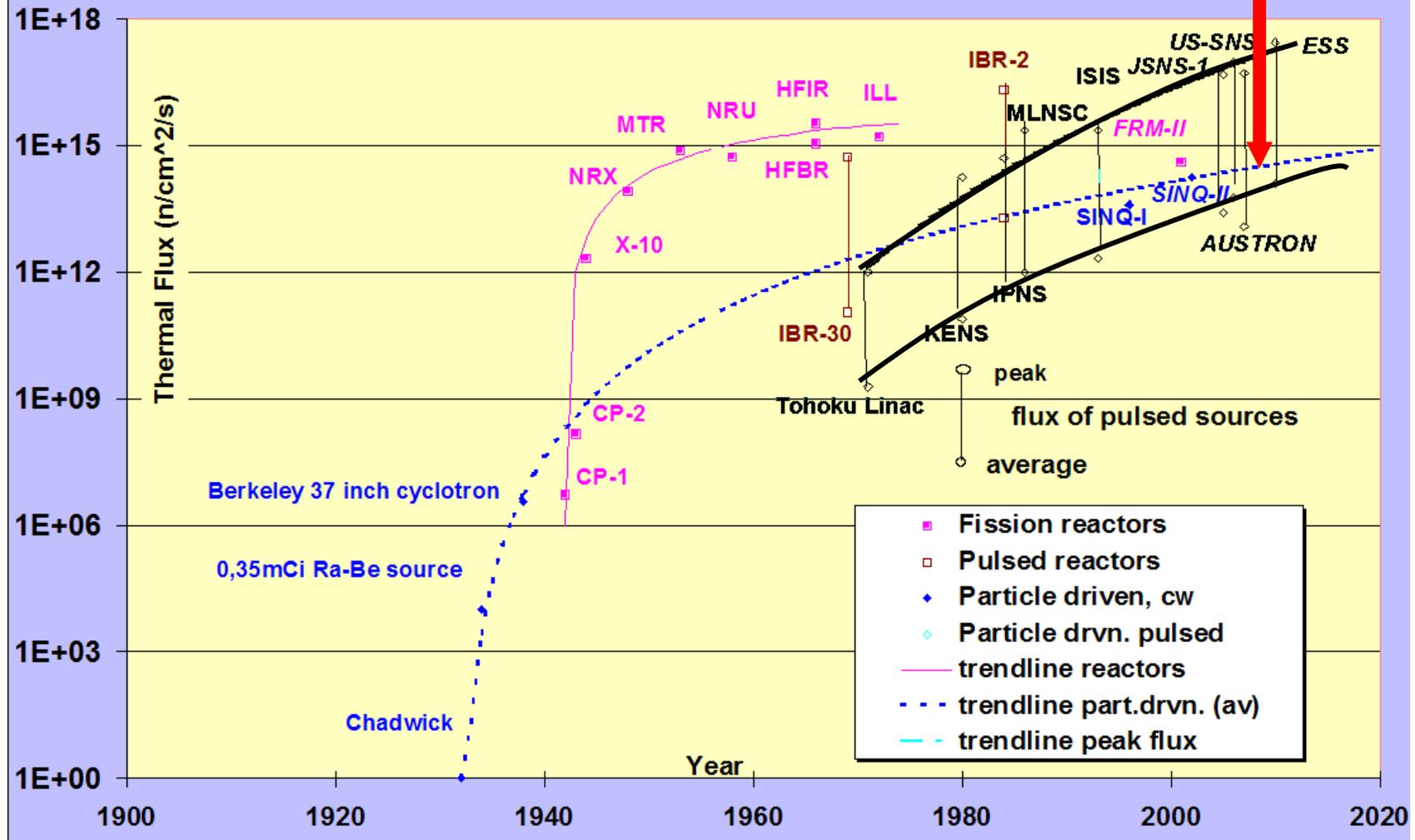


ZrPb-
Canneloni

in service since
end of April 2004

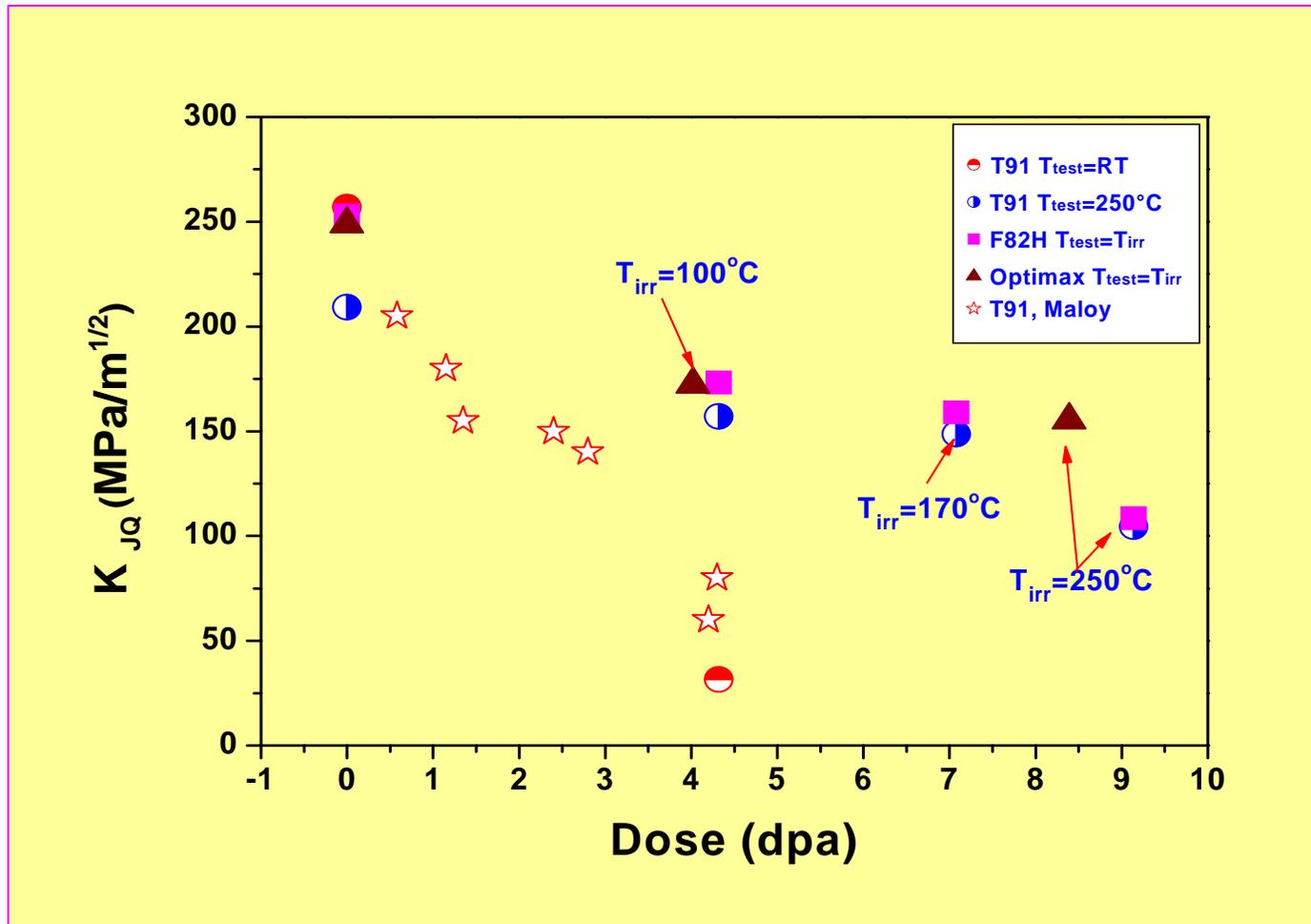
Next step for SINQ along the development curve

Development of Research Neutron Sources "Top of the line"



Few results

Fracture toughness of FM steels irradiated in STIP-I

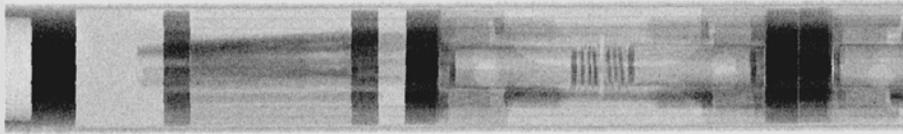


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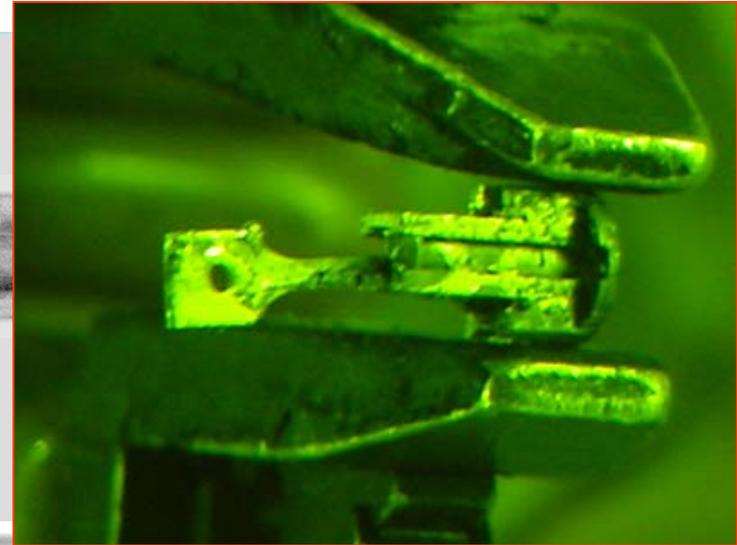
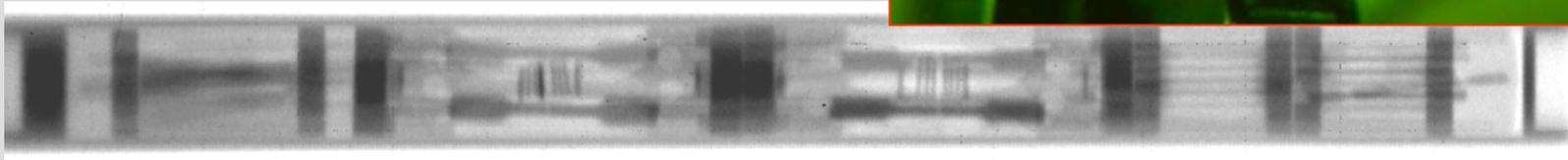
Few results

Inspection on STIP-II Pb-Bi Rod

Before irradiation



After irradiation (max dose: 19 dpa)

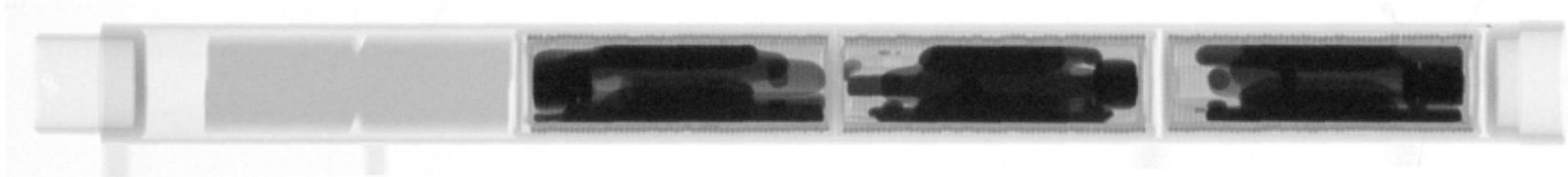


Target Rod B:

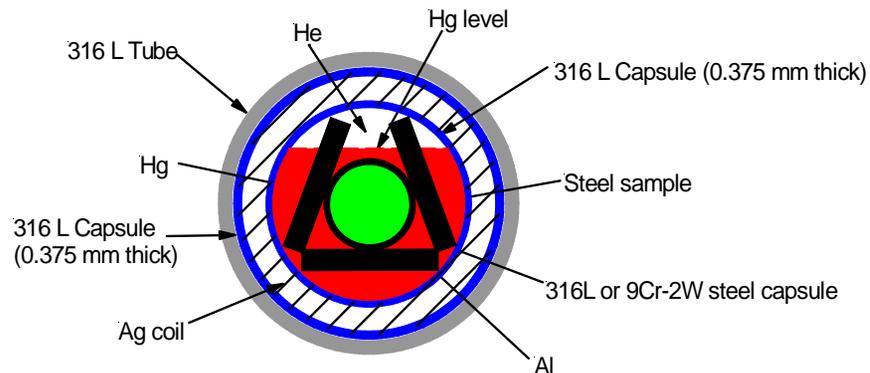
It contains a PbBi (about 38 g) filled T91 capsule. Inside PbBi there are about 50 test samples for studying irradiation assisted corrosion effects of PbBi on different kinds of materials.

STIP-II Hg Rod

Before irradiation



After irradiation (max dose: 20 dpa)

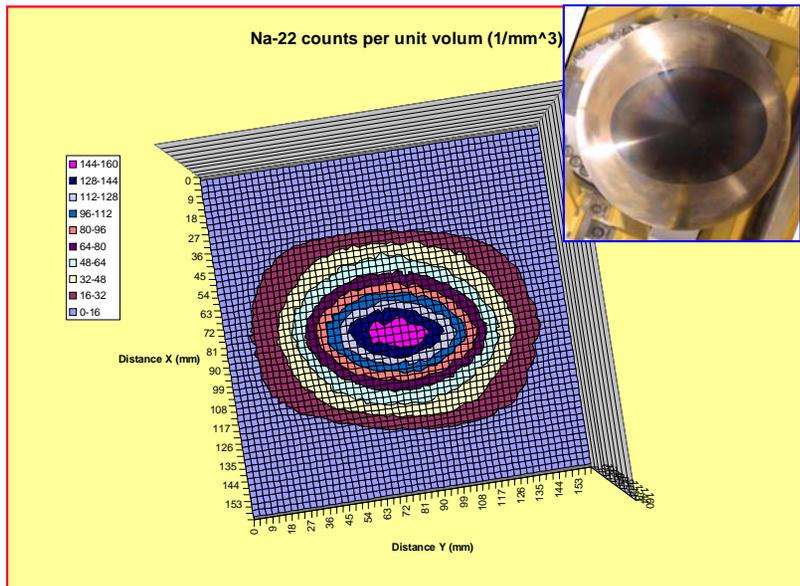


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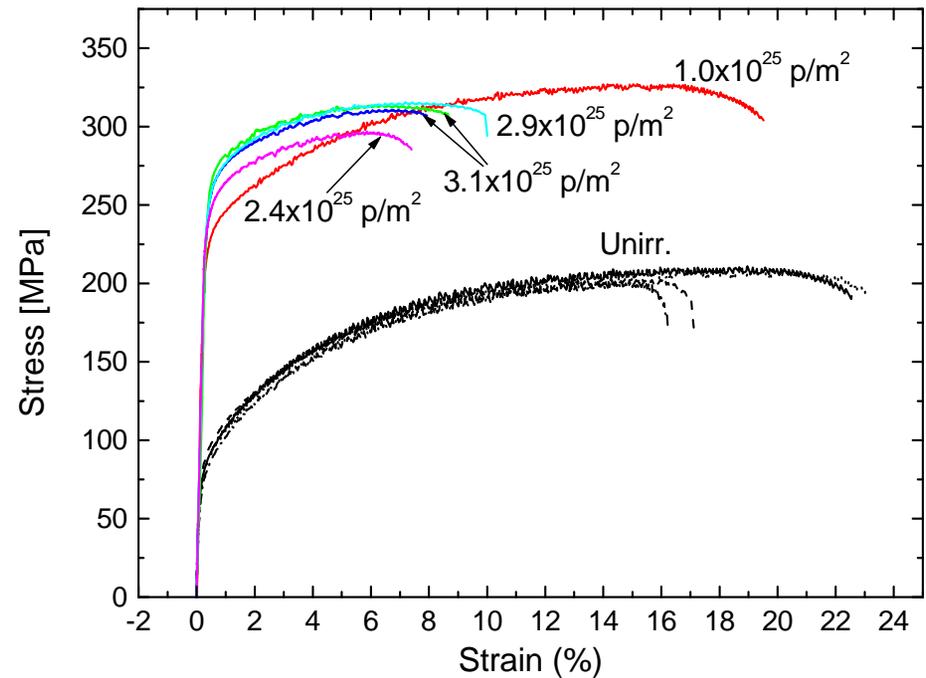
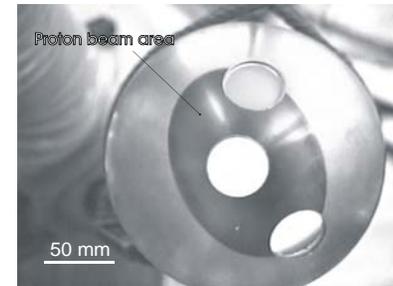
It contains three Hg (about 19 g in total) filled capsules and one steel sample package. There is about 25% free space in each Hg filled capsule.

SINQ Target Safety Hull:

γ -mapping of the beam footprint



Tensile tests after one year of irradiation



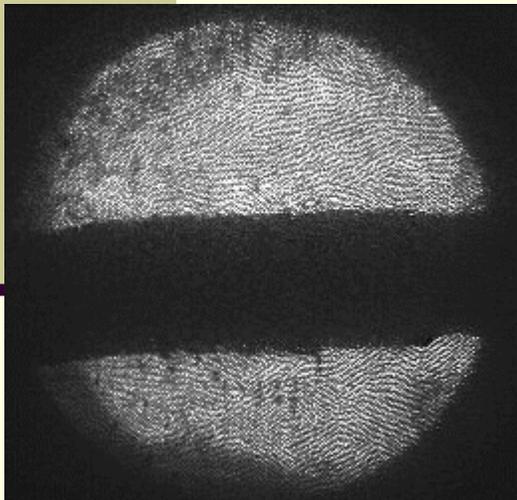
Conclusion

- The materials of the target area will evolve along with the irradiation time
 - The Displacement per atom (dpa) is the (time) scale to measure this evolution
 - This evolution shall be included in the engineering design.
- Metal chemistry under high dpas is starting, radiogenic H and He trapped in metals will affect their properties.
- Fatigue is a key element that is not yet fully investigated (experimental challenge) under irradiation
 - Annealing of the parts kept at elevated temperature may be beneficial.

MERIT will:

- **Produce benchmarks for Neutrino Factory targetry design tools**
 - Study MHD of the Hg jet with nominal size and velocity
 - Study the origin of jet disruption by varying PS spill structure “*Pump / Probe*”
- **Validate the Neutrino Factory targetry concept**
 - Effects of single beam pulses with realistic proton energy, timing, intensity and energy density
 - Influence of solenoid field strength on Hg jet dispersal (MHD shock damping)
 - Information on the 50 Hz operations scenario by recording 2 pulses at 20 ms interval.
- **Define potential issues and open the path to engineering study**
- ***Set a milestone towards 1-4 MW pion production target***

The MERcury Intense Target Experiment – or nTOF11



*Beam jet interaction @ MERIT
14 GeV/c beam, 12TP, 10T field
April 2008*

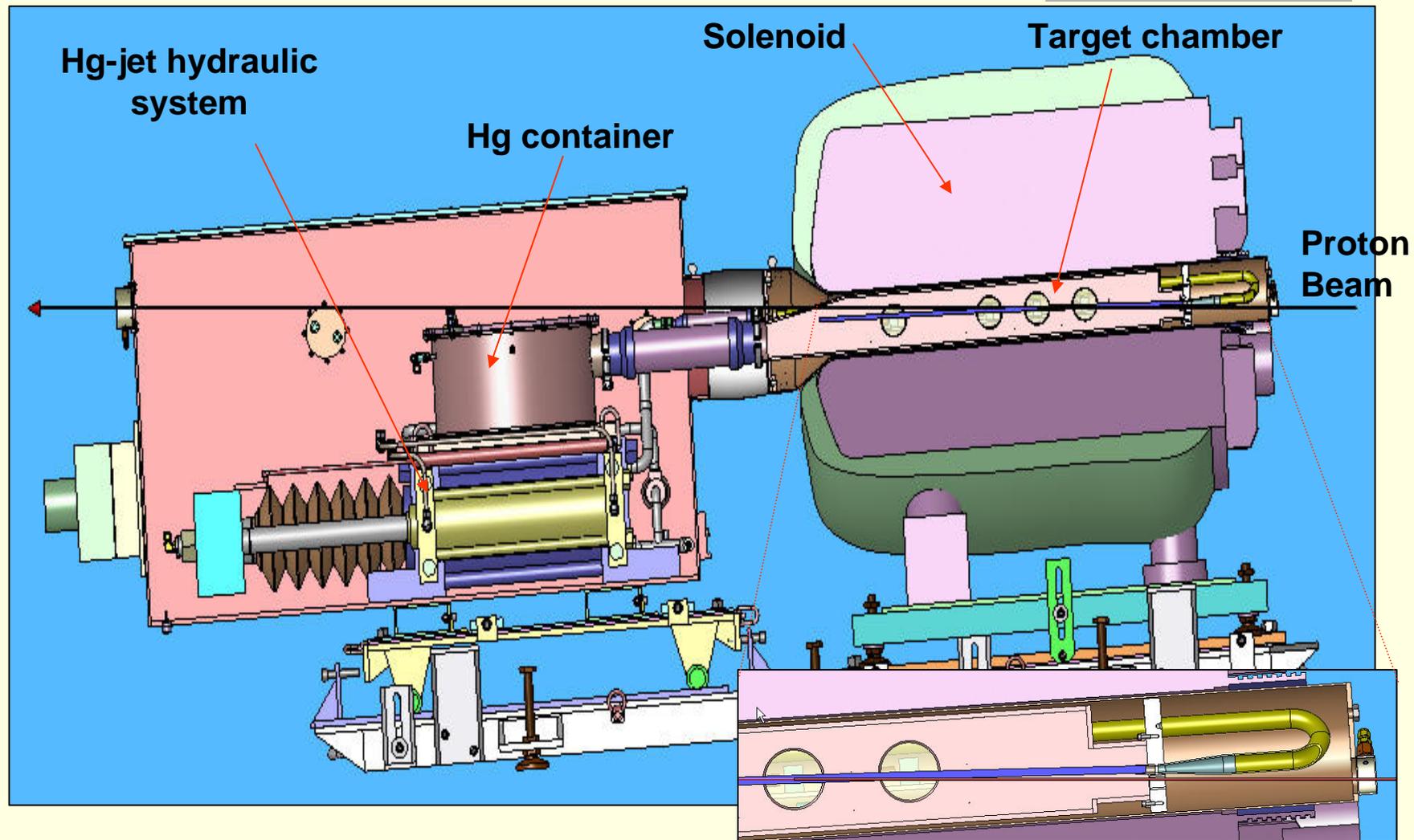
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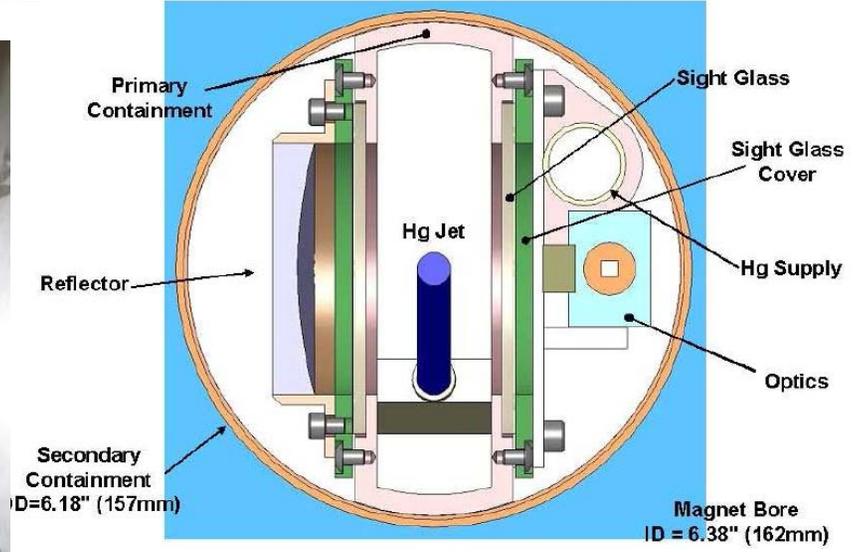
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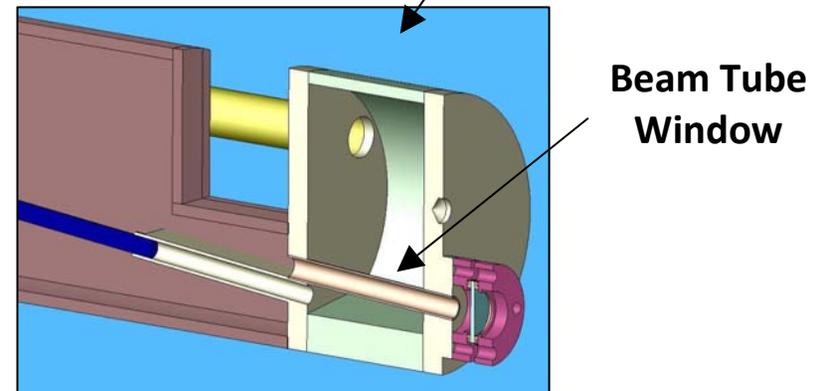
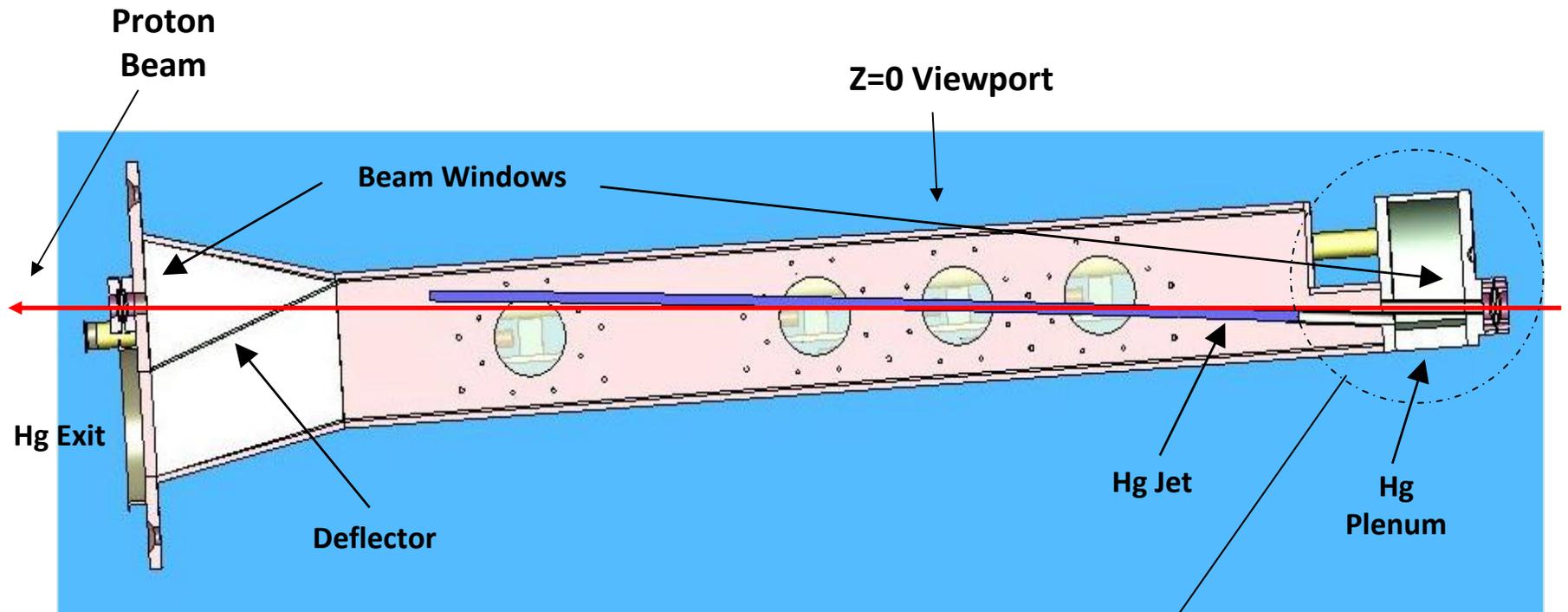
MERIT Experiment – The apparatus



Optical diagnostics



Observation chamber

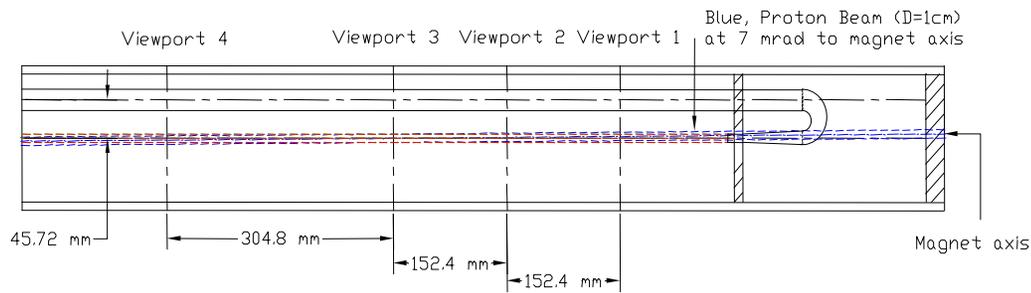


Nozzle under R&D

Nozzle Configuration

- A** : Reduction after 180 degree bend with 44 mrad angle with respect to magnet axis.
- B** : Reduction before 180 degree bend with 44 mrad angle with respect to magnet axis.
- C** : Reduction after 180 degree bend, but straight nozzle with no tilted angle with respect to magnet axis.
- D** : Nozzle A is reamed through the nozzle flange.

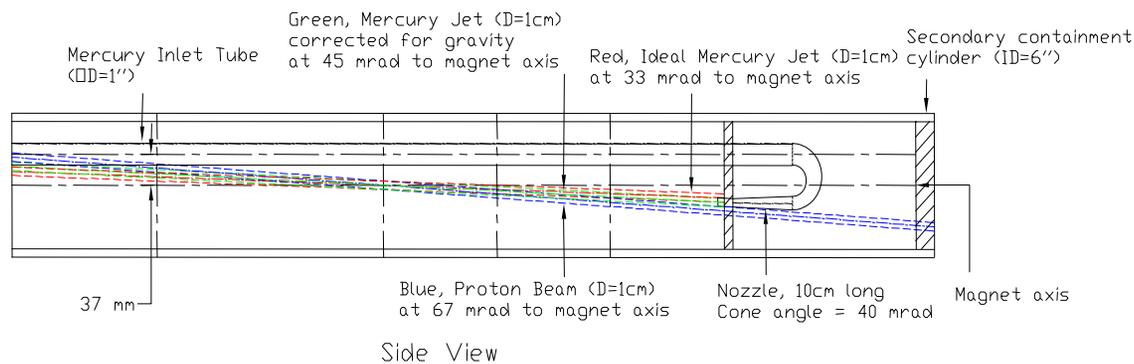
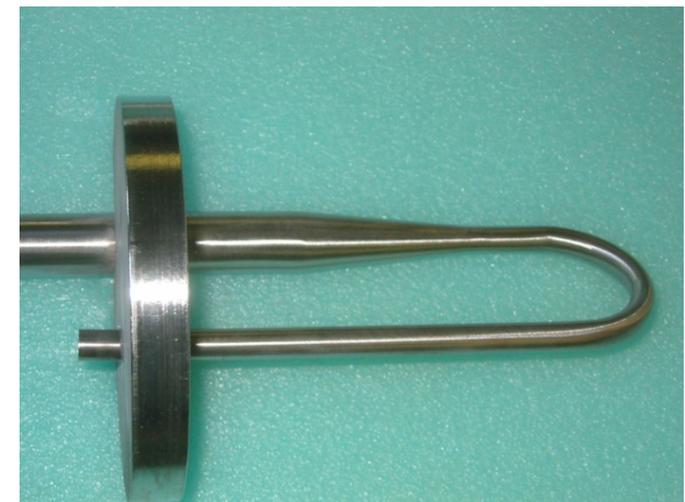
Top View



Nozzle A



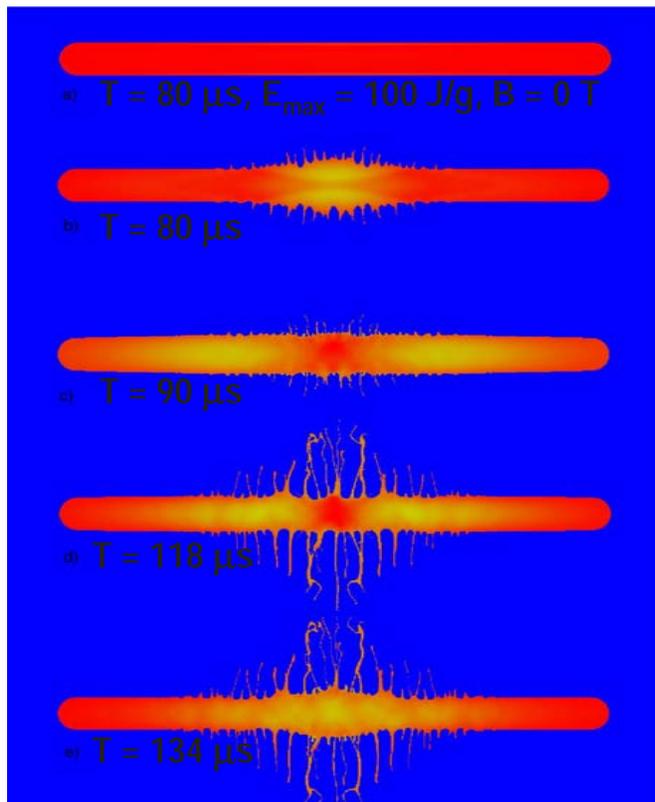
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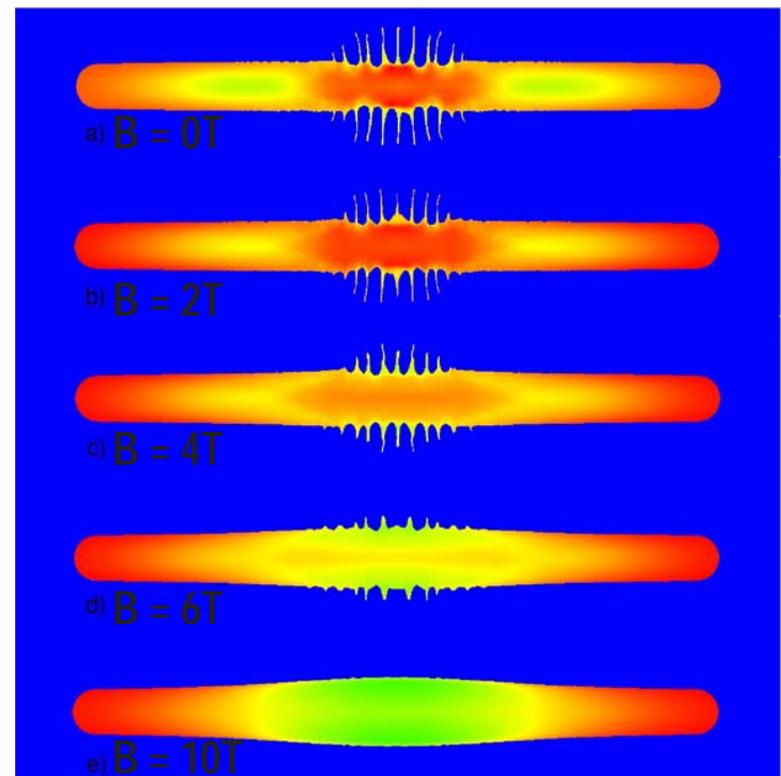
Side View

MHD + shock Simulations BNL (Samulyak)

Gaussian energy deposition profile
Peaked at 100 J/g. Times run from
0 to 124 μs , $B = 0\text{ T}$



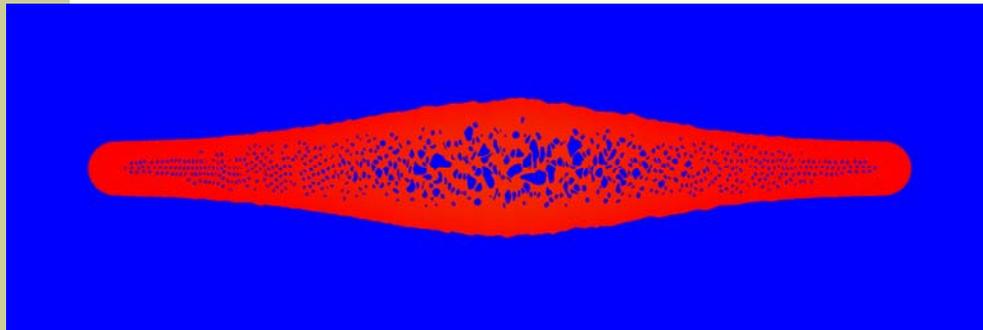
Jet dispersal at $t = 100\ \mu\text{s}$ with magnetic
Field varying from 0 to 10 Tesla



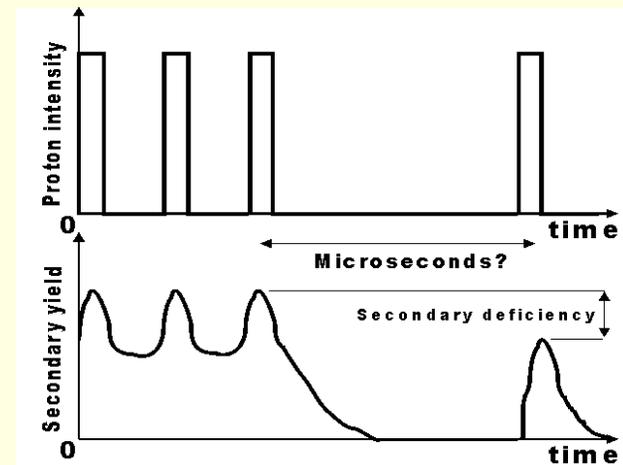
Axial symmetric splashes amped by MHD forces

Important milestone towards the production of 1-4MW pion production targets

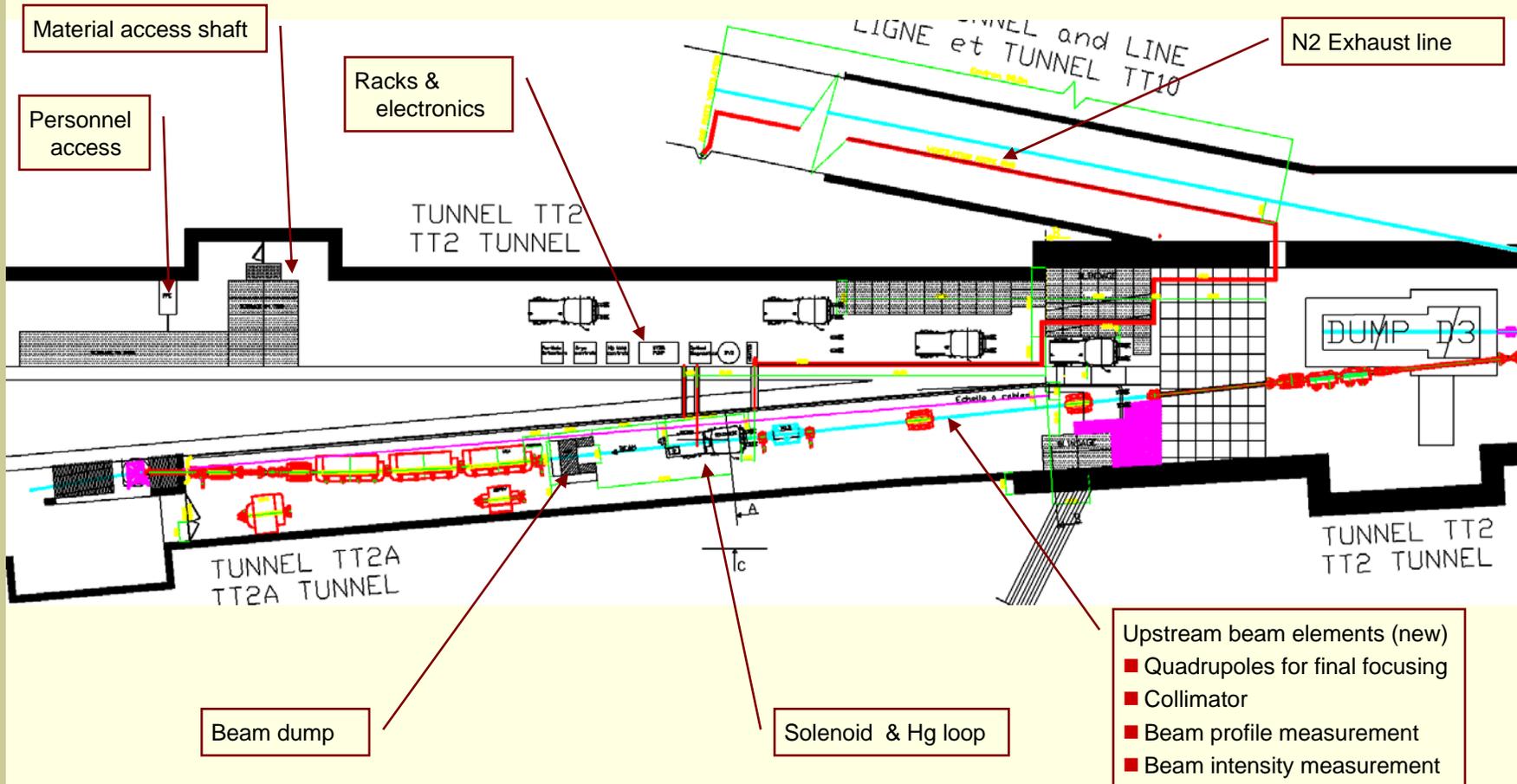
1. Study MHD effects on Hg-jet with normal target size and velocity
 2. Study jet disruption (cavitation?) by varying the PS spill structure
- MERIT: 180 J/g**
- 28TP@24GeV protons
 - 1cm diam. Hg-jet
 - $1.2 \times 1.2 \text{ mm}^2$ beam size rms



Jet dispersed by 3 bunches, existence of cavitation bubble reducing the nominal density probed by the 4th bunch

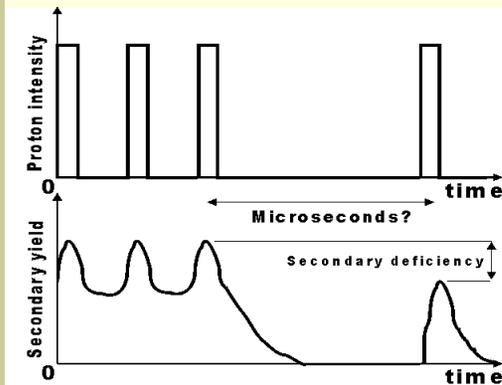


MERIT Experiment – Layout

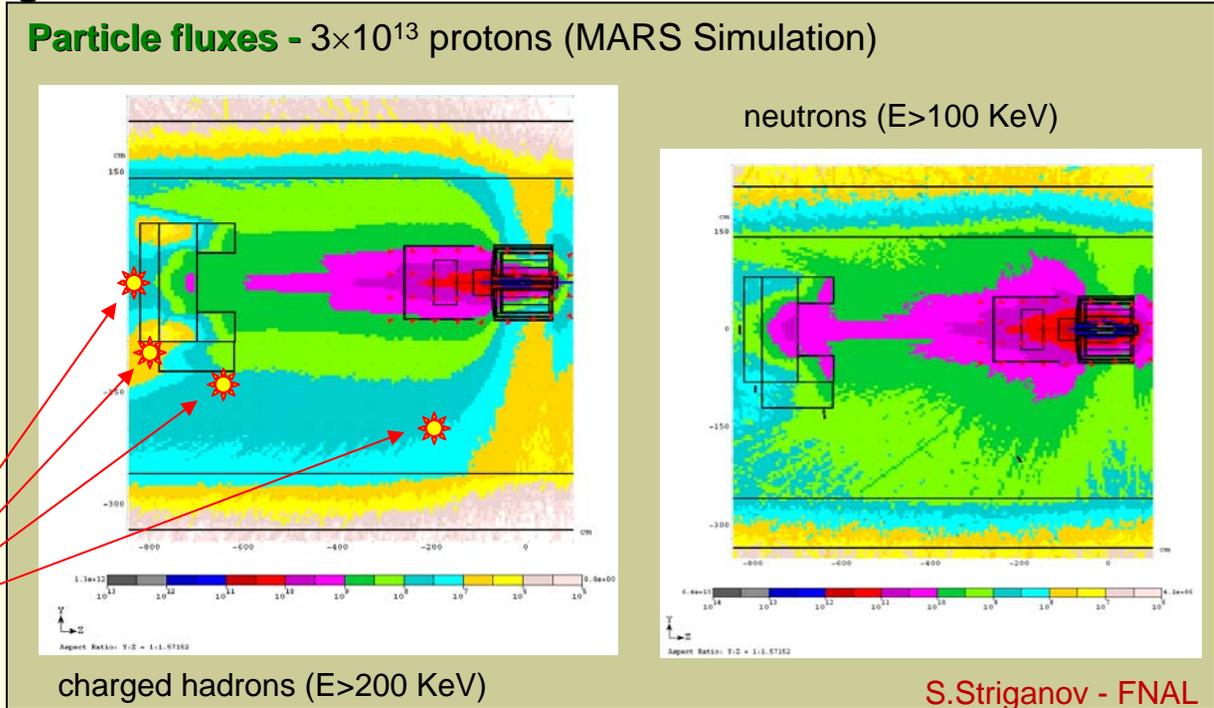


Particle Detectors

- Measure particle production per bunch in “pump-probe” runs for cavitation studies
- Place detectors around the target at various locations
 - Detectors: **pCVD diamonds, pin diodes, ACEM detectors**
- Monitor the beam-target interaction

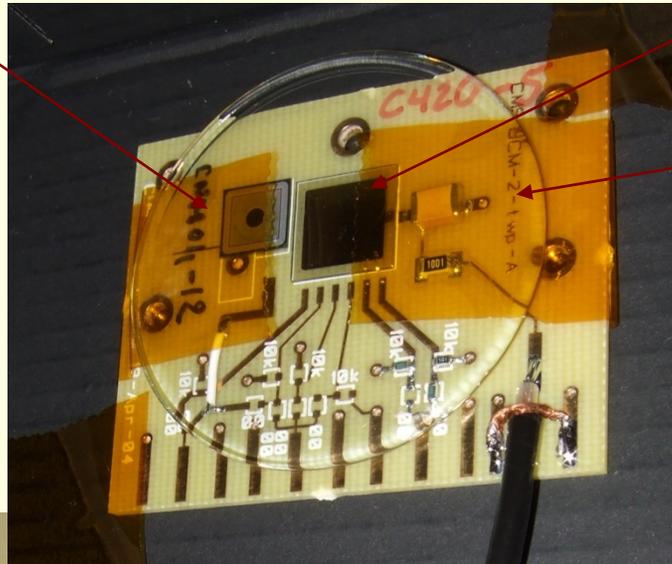


Particle Detectors



PIN diode

- ~1cm² active area, 200 um thick

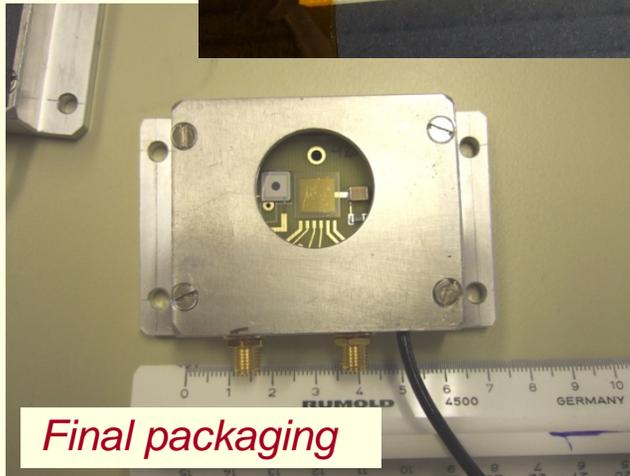


pCVD Diamond

- 7.5×7.5 mm² active area, 300 um thick

bypass capacitor: 100 nF/500V

Detector assembly unit



Final packaging

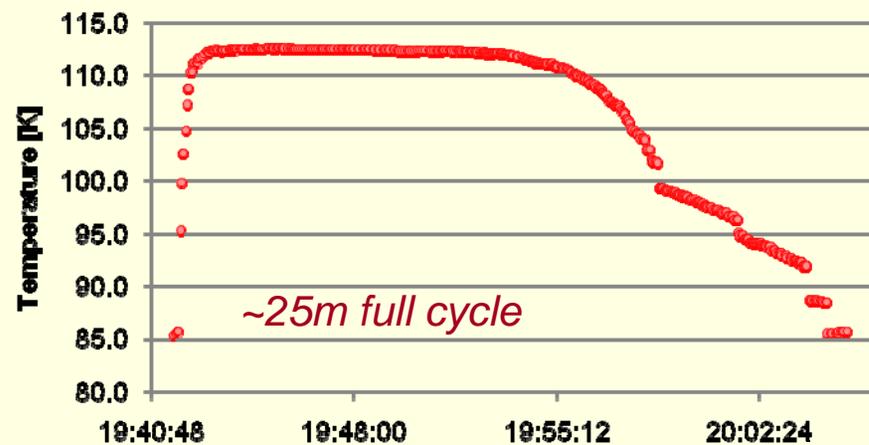
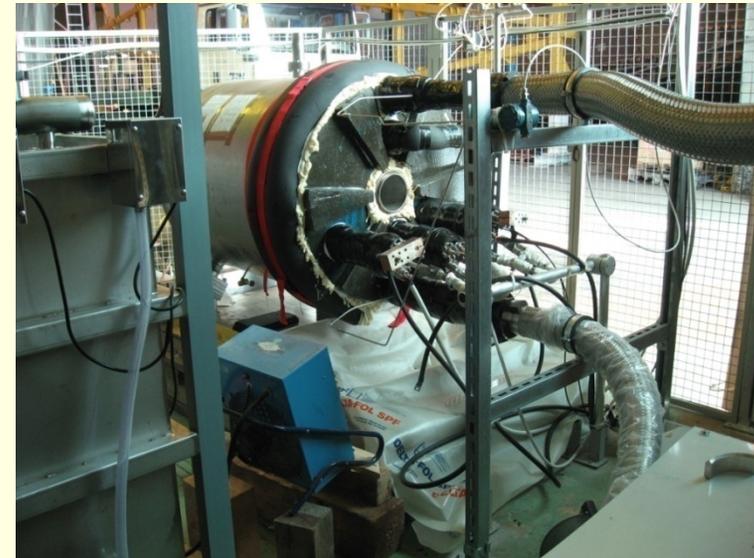


ACEM detector

pCVD diamond + PIN diode

Cryogenics – Surface tests

- Commissioning tests of the cryogenics system with the solenoid at surface





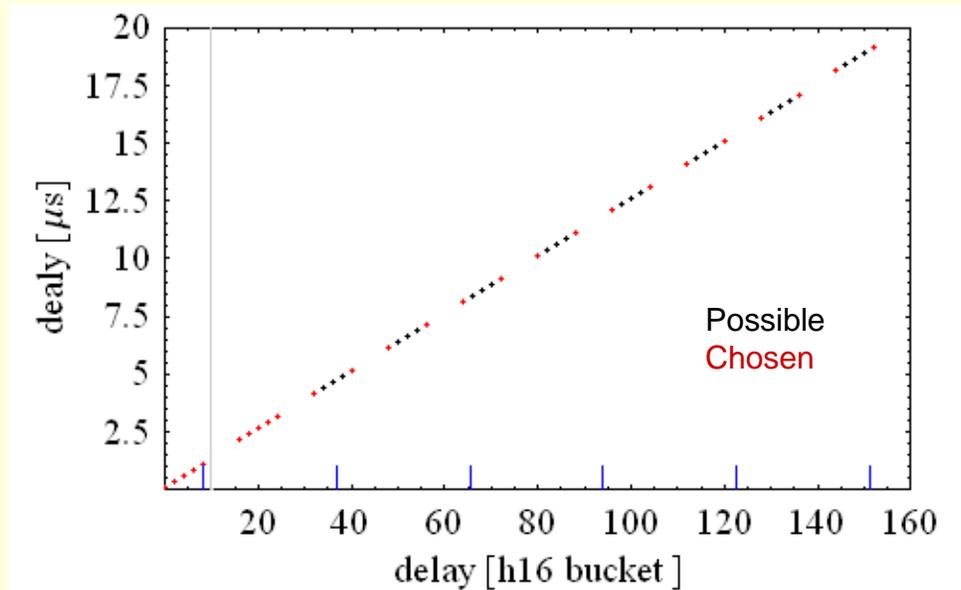
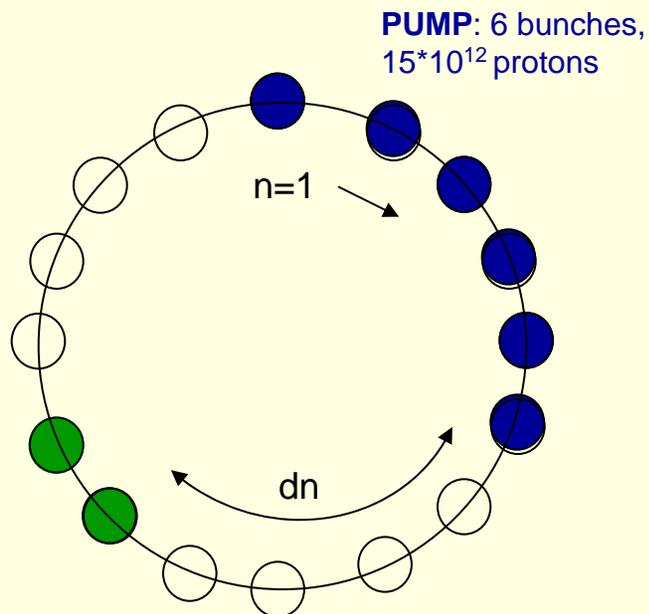
Operation with beam



- The repair work was finally made on **October 5th**
- At the end of the intervention three of the four viewports were operational although with some compromised image quality
- Since then, the rest of the run was very smooth without major issues.
- The run took place between **October 22nd to November 12th (21 days)**
- We managed to fully exploit the capabilities of the PS machine: 14 and 24 GeV/c of extracted beam, variable bunch structure and timing.

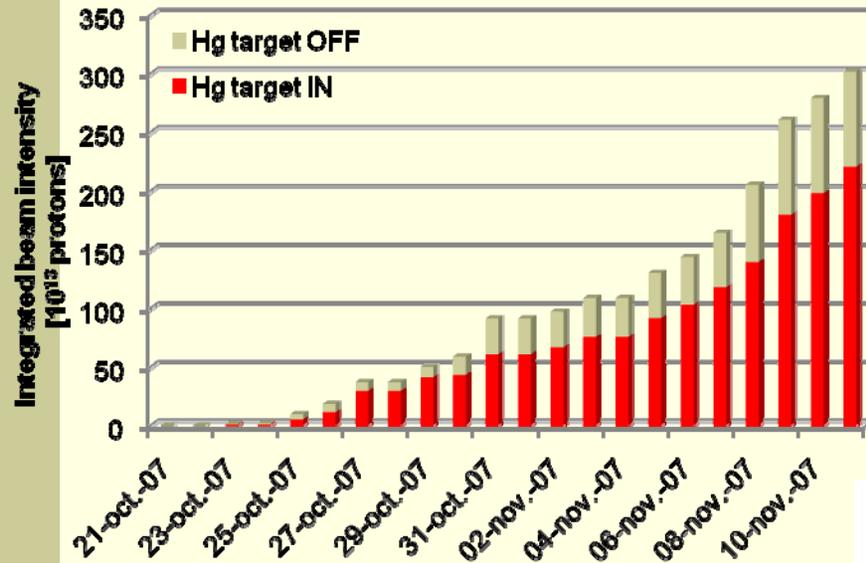
Beam setup for cavitation studies

- Setup the PS machine in harmonic-16
 - fill the machine in bunch pairs



- $dn_{\text{experiment}} = 0, 2, 4, 6, 8, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 32, 40, 48, 56, \dots$
- switching between harmonic-8 and harmonic-16 was possible
- allowed us to study the target disruption length vs beam structure

Beam shots summary

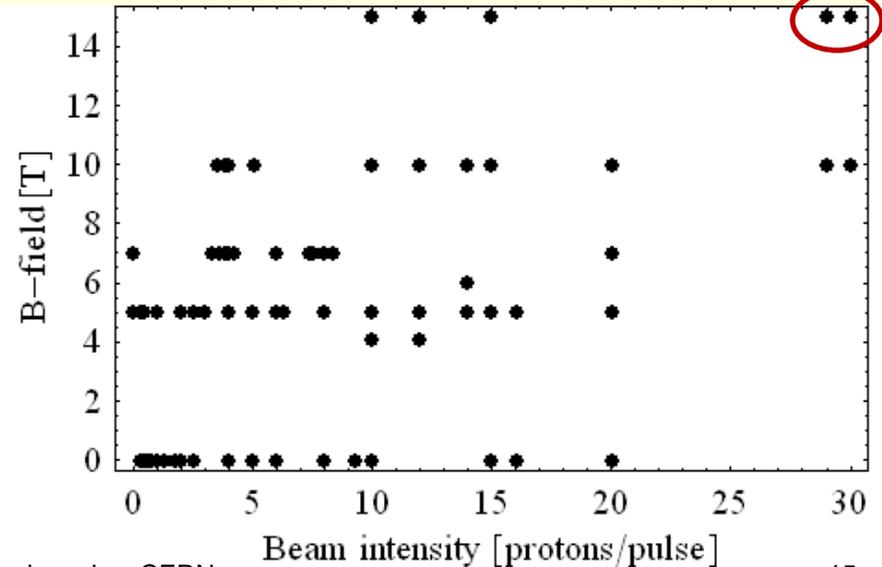


30 TP shot @ 24 GeV/c

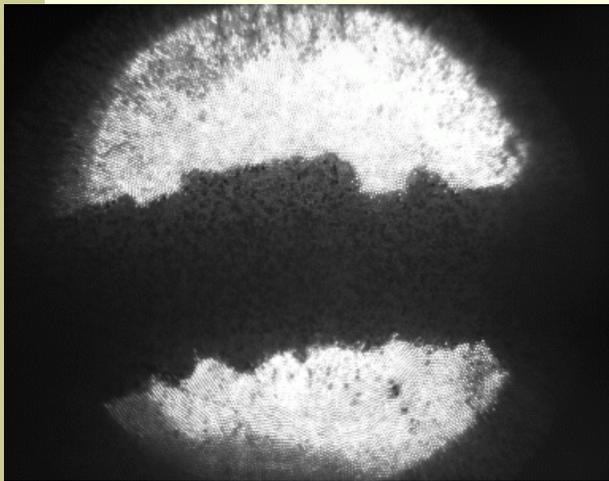
- 115 kJ of beam power
- a PS machine record !

■ Beam envelop – (1 σ)

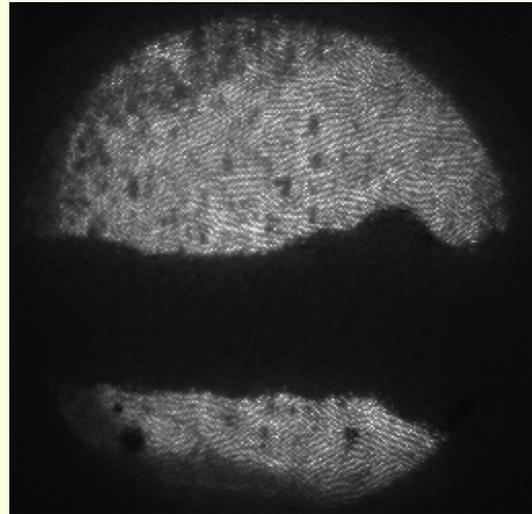
Beam [GeV/c]	Horiz. [mm]	Vert. [mm]	Spot [mm ²]	Beam Density [J/gr @ 30 TP]
14	4.45	0.87	12.18	80.4
24	2.94	0.66	6.13	160



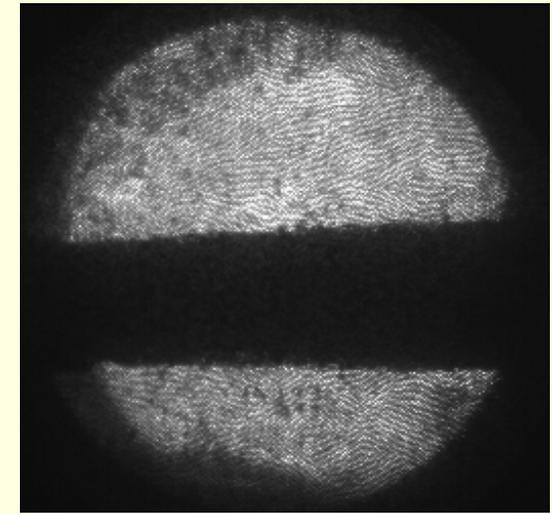
Interaction – 8,12 Tp – 14 GeV/c – 0,5,10 T



8 Tp beam, 0T field



8Tp beam, 5T field



12 Tp beam, 10T field

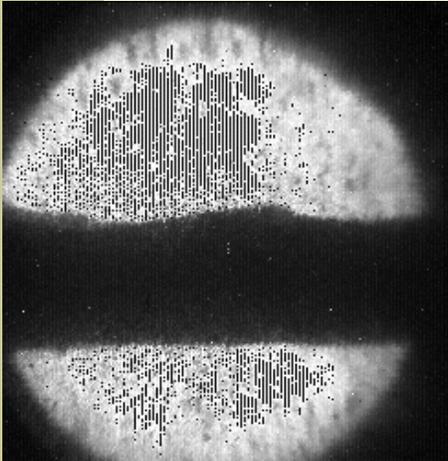
Summary-I

- The splash begins at the bottom of jet and ends at the top, which seems to be consistent with the beam trajectory.
- The breakup is consistent with the beam trajectory and could be the by-product of cavitation caused by the energy deposition of the proton beam.

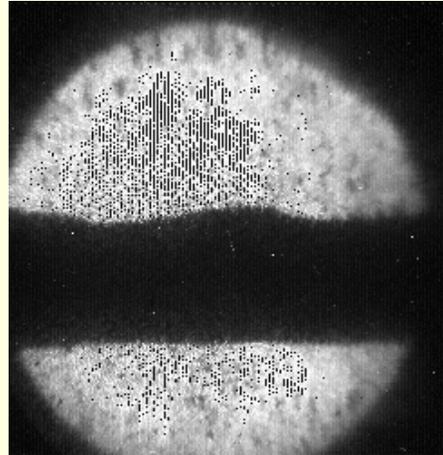
Splash velocity - 24 GeV beam: $\sim 7 \text{ m/s/}T_p$

3.8TP, 10T

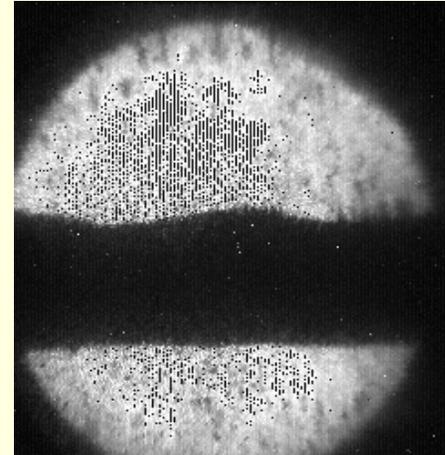
$V = 24 \text{ m/s}$



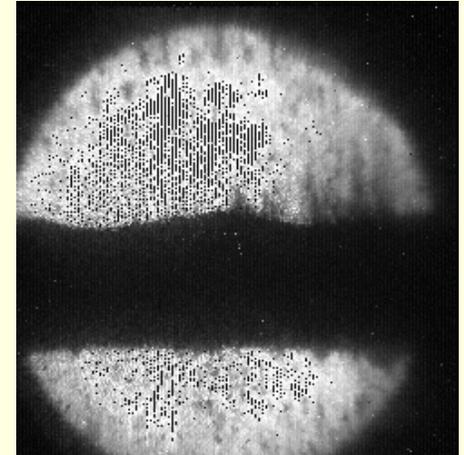
$t=0$



$t=0.150 \text{ ms}$



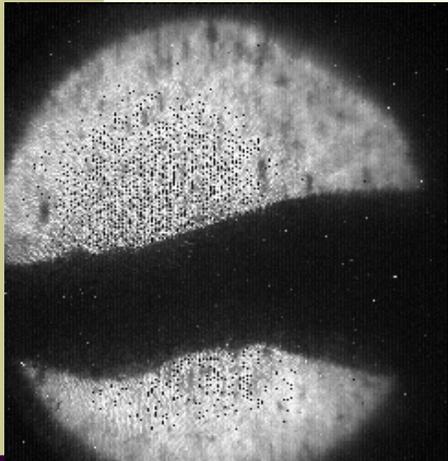
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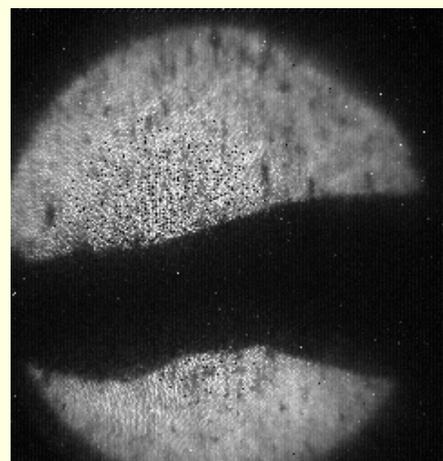
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6TP, 5T

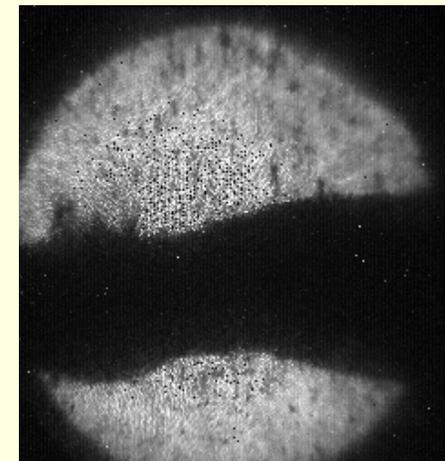
$V = 47 \text{ m/s}$



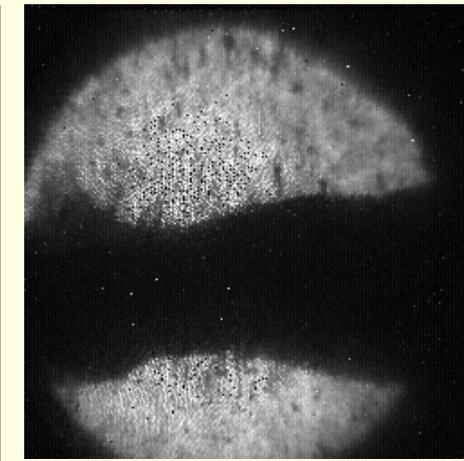
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$t=0.050 \text{ ms}$



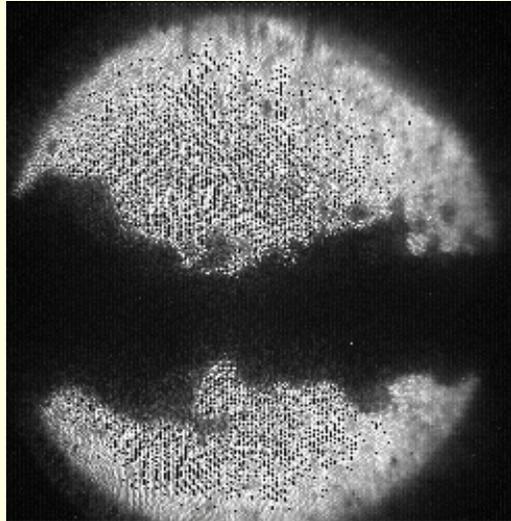
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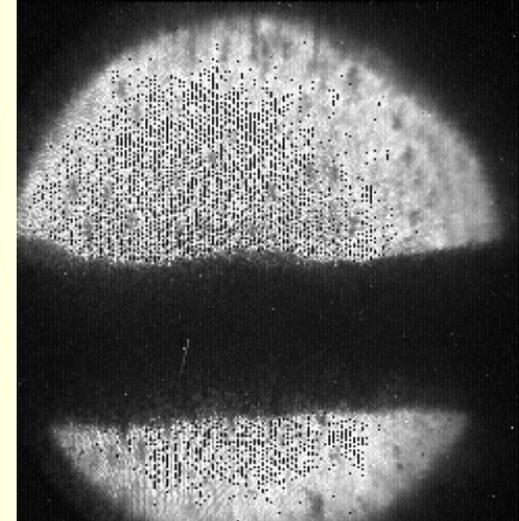
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Hg-jet vs Magnetic field

0.4 T

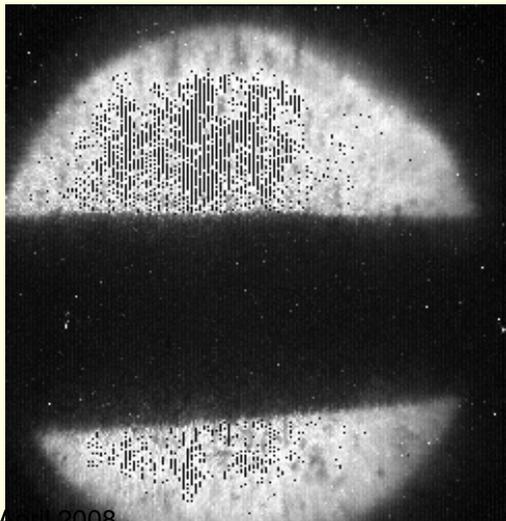


5 T

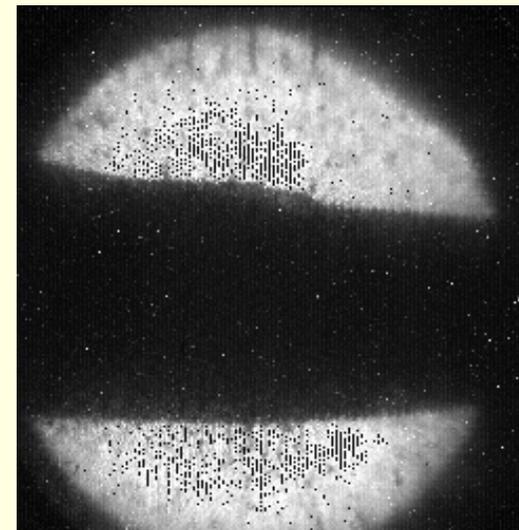


Jet velocity : 15 m/s

10 T

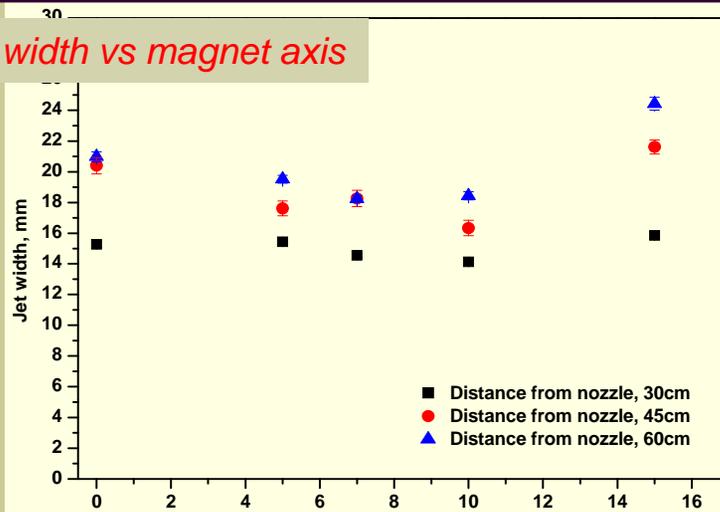


15 T

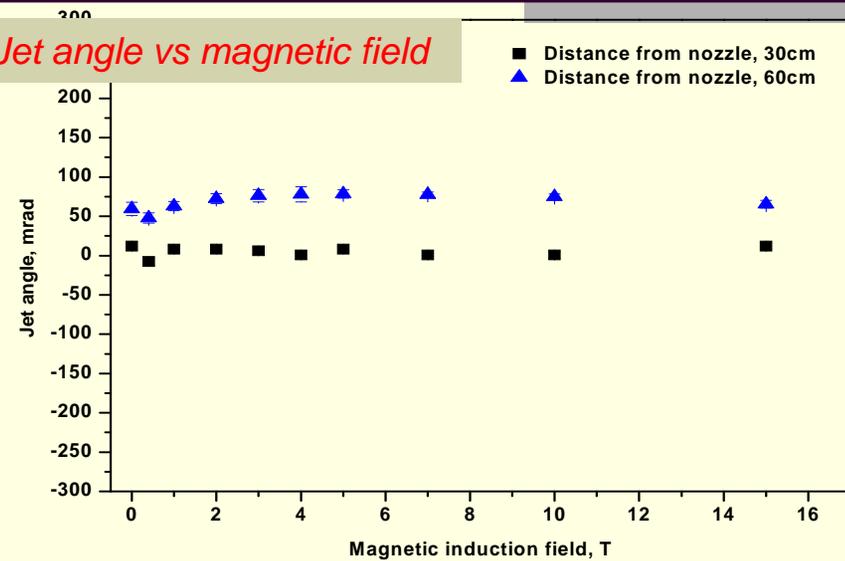


Hg-jet properties – 15m/s jet

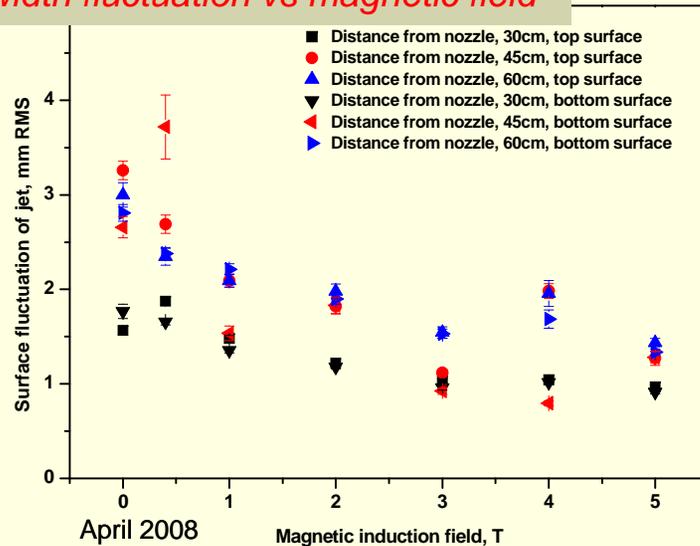
Jet width vs magnet axis



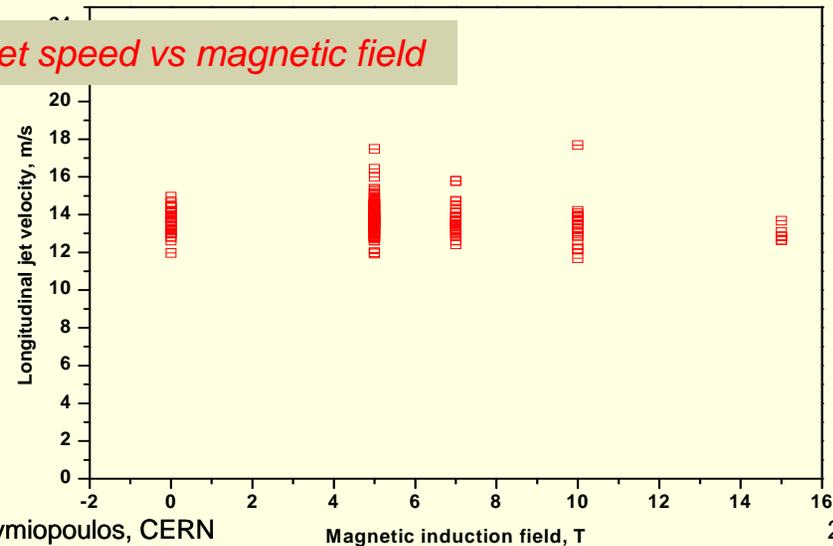
Jet angle vs magnetic field



Jet width fluctuation vs magnetic field



Jet speed vs magnetic field



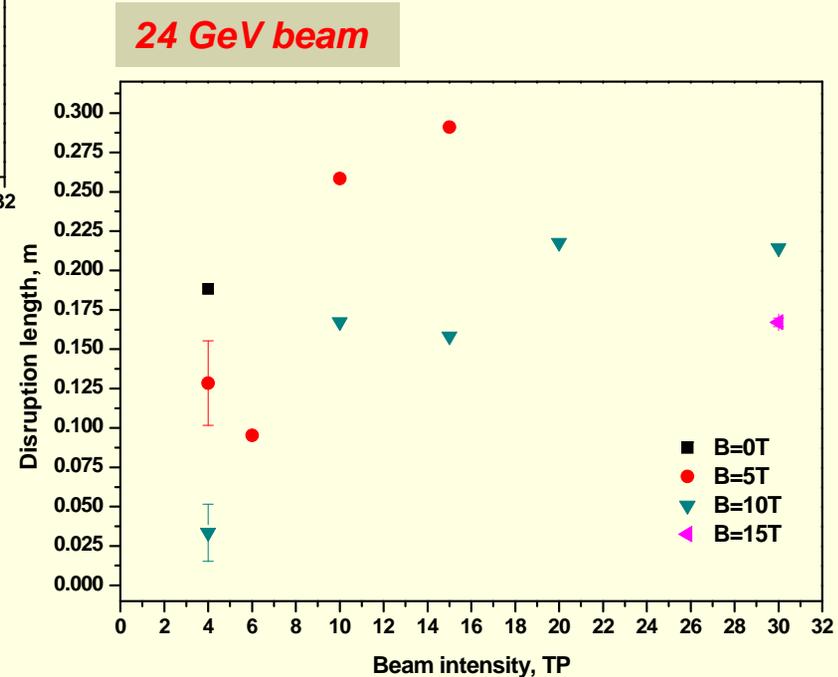
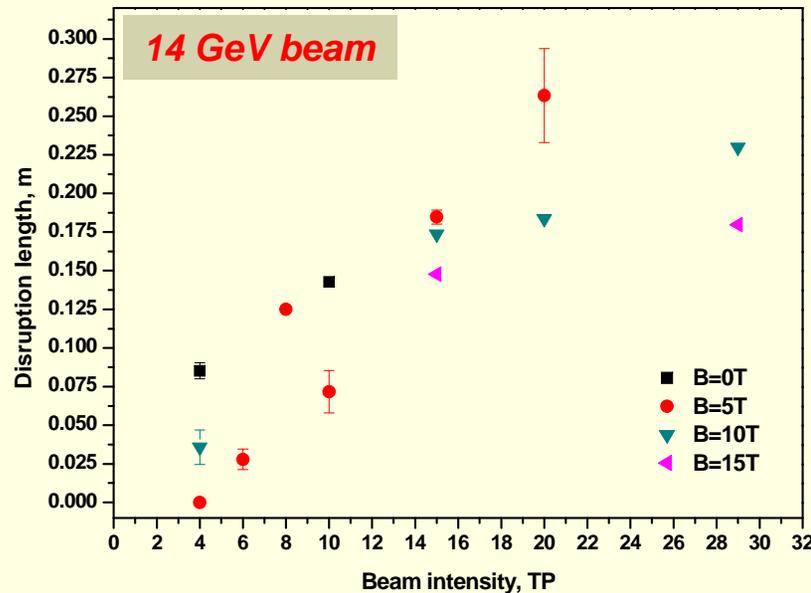
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Magnetic induction field, T

I.Efthymiopoulos, CERN

Magnetic induction field, T

Disruption length vs beam intensity



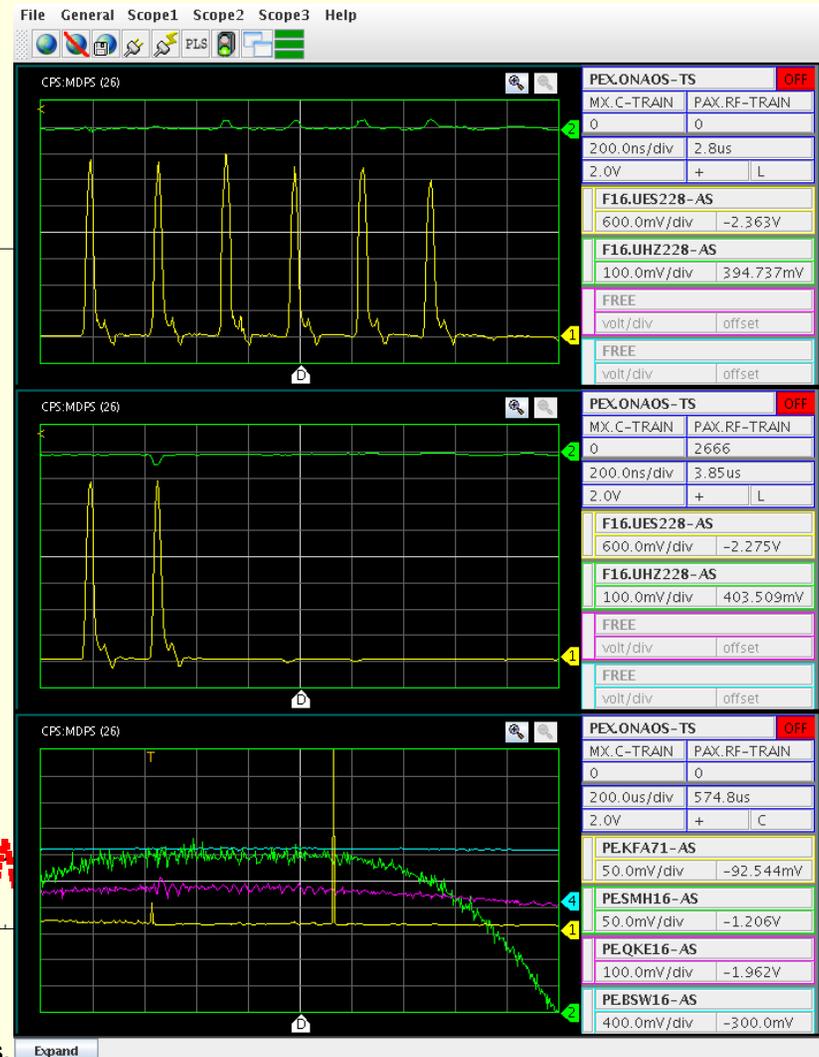
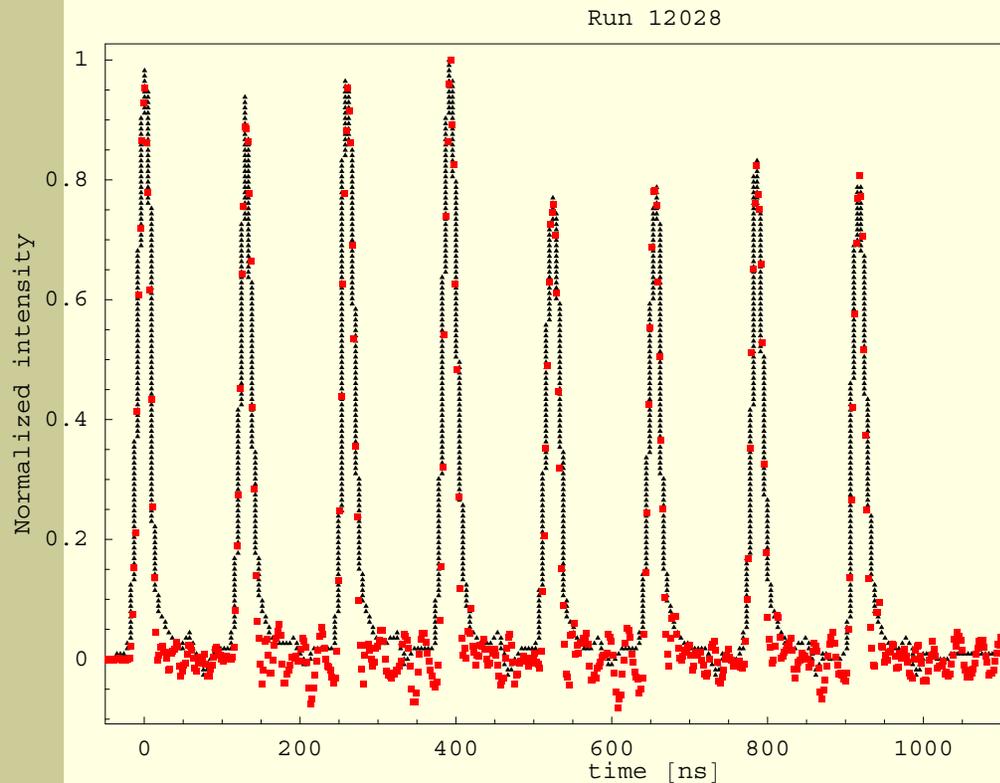
- Disruption length @ 24 GeV is about 20cm for 10-15T field
- In a 20m/s jet, 28cm ($2\lambda_1$) can be renewed in 14ms which means a rep rate of 70 Hz or equivalent of **8 MW** of beam power !

Summary-II

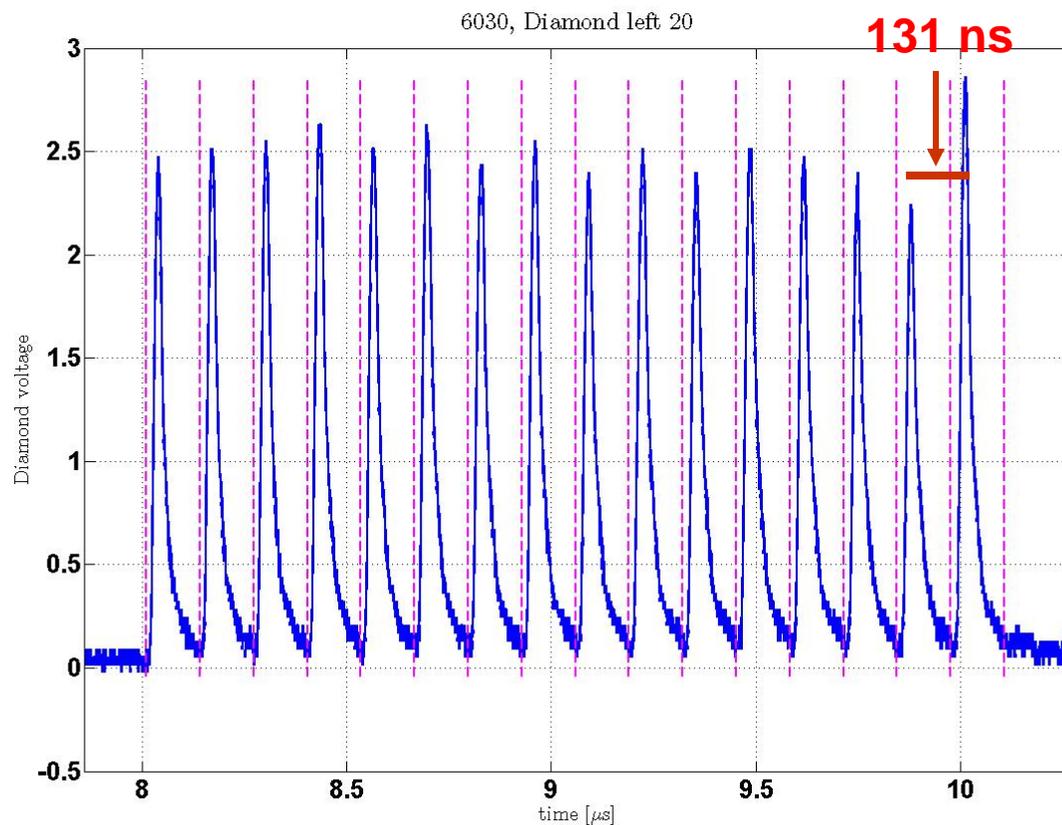
- The break up of the Hg jet is influenced by the magnetic field.
 - The splash velocity increases as the beam intensity increases, however, magnetic field reduces the effect
 - The Hg jet disruption length is suppressed by magnetic field.
- The 24GeV proton beam results in a longer disruption length than the 14GeV proton beam. The intensity threshold for the 24GeV beam is lower than the 14GeV beam.
- The magnetic field stabilizes the Hg jet flow.
 - The fluctuations on the jet surface decreases as the magnetic field increases.
- The jet size increases as it moves to downstream and it was same up to 10T but increases at 15T.
 - The jet size at 10T was smaller than that for a 15T field, which might have varied between the major and minor axis of an elliptical core.
- The longitudinal Hg jet velocity was not affected by the magnetic field.

Proton beam intensity measurement

- Current transformer data analysis
- Non-trivial analysis due to internal noise in the device



- pCVD diamond detector (left 20-deg location)

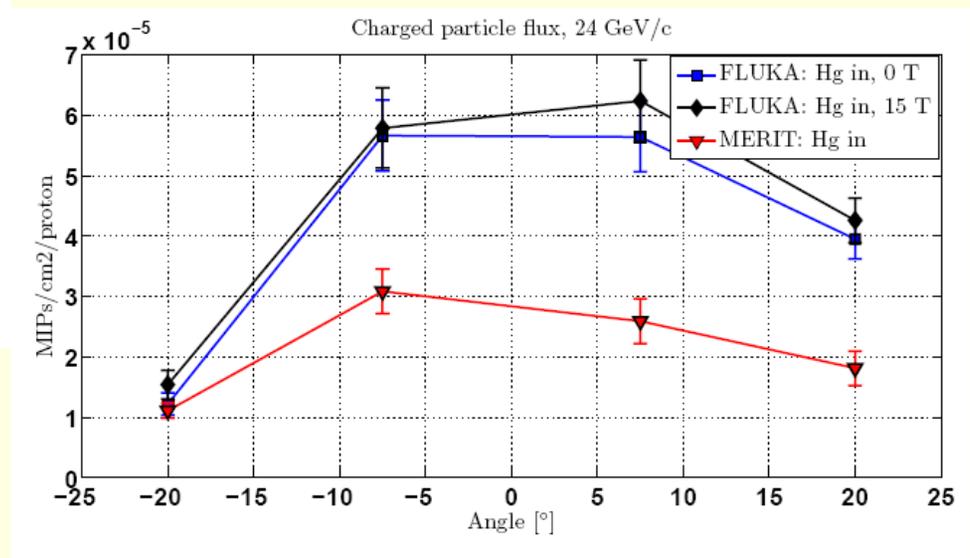
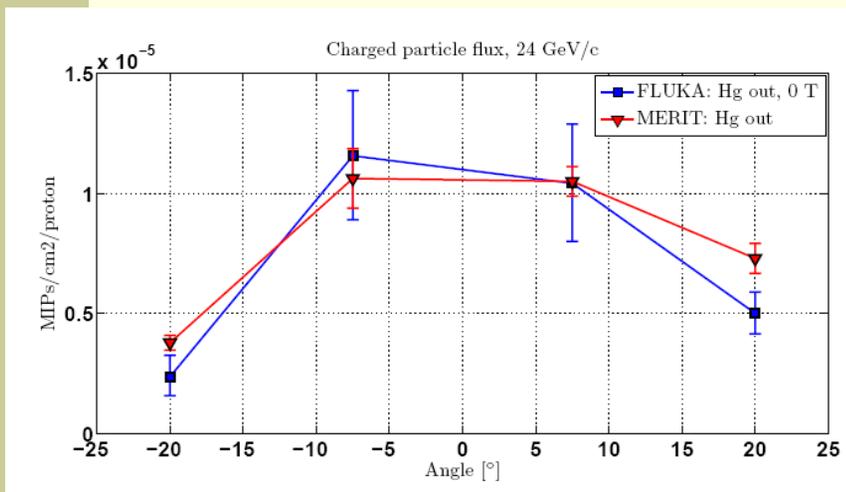


14 GeV beam
4TP
10T Field
15m/s Hg Jet

- Good performance
- Able to identify individual bunches event at the highest intensities
- Needs to be combined with the beam intensity per bunch to normalize
- Data analysis ongoing...

Particle detector - flux measurement

- Good agreement with MC simulation for target-out data
- Large discrepancy for target-in case
 - needs further understanding, along with further simulation studies and beam spot analysis





Summary

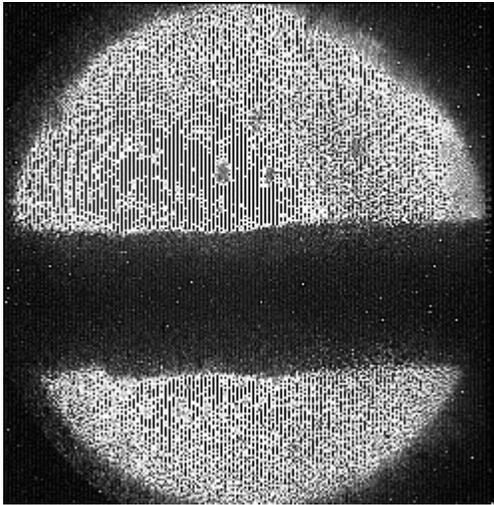


- After facing successfully several challenges, the MERIT experiment took beam as scheduled for three weeks in autumn 2007 at CERN PS
- All systems performed well, the run with beam was very smooth and the whole scientific program was completed
- The experiment was dismantled in winter 2008 with its components put in temporary storage for cool-down at CERN waiting to be shipped back to US
- The primary objective to conduct a successful and safe experiment at CERN was amply fulfilled
- Important results validating the liquid metal target concept are already available, more to come as the analysis progresses
- The MERIT experiment represents a big step forward in the targetry R&D for high power targets.

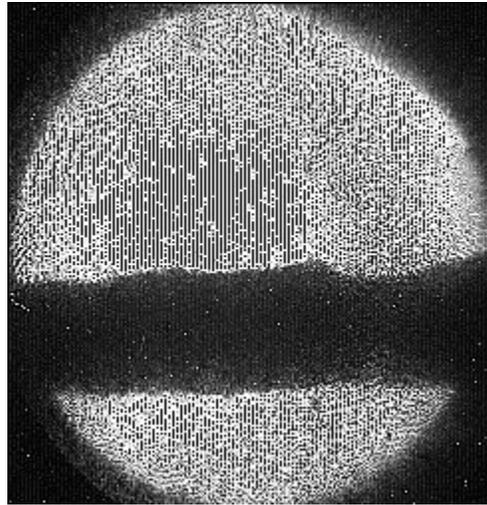
The MERIT Experiment do closely match the nominal parameters of the ν -factory

- 24 GeV Proton beam
- Up to 28×10^{12} Protons (TP) per 2 μ s spill
- Proton beam spot with $r \leq 1.5$ mm rms
- 1 cm diameter Hg Jet
- Hg Jet/Proton beam off solenoid axis
 - Hg Jet 100 mrad
 - Proton beam 67 mrad
- Test 50 Hz operations
 - 20 m/s Hg Jet
 - 2 spills separated by 20 ms

View on mercury jet

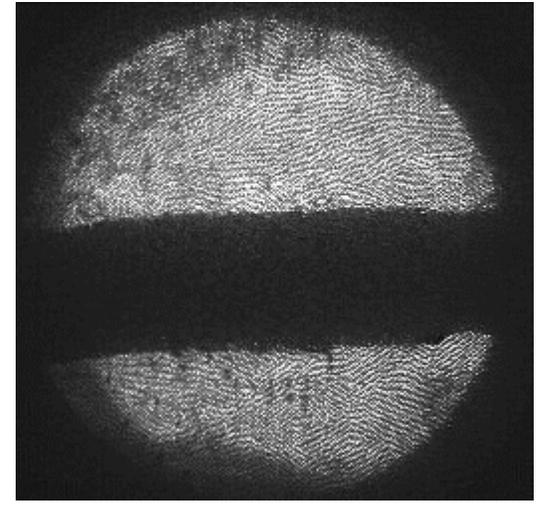


- Run 103**
- 14 GeV/c
 - $1.6 \cdot 10^{13}$ protons/pulse
 - B-field 5 T



- Run 119**
- 14 GeV/c
 - $1.6 \cdot 10^{13}$ protons/pulse
 - B-field 5 T

1 cm



- Run 214**
- 14 GeV/c
 - $1.2 \cdot 10^{13}$ protons/pulse
 - B-field 10 T

- Images were recorded at 2000 frames/second.
- Play-back is about 400 times slower.
- Splash velocities up to 60 m/s observed.

To be presented at Nufact 08

The MERIT High-Power Target Experiment at the CERN PS

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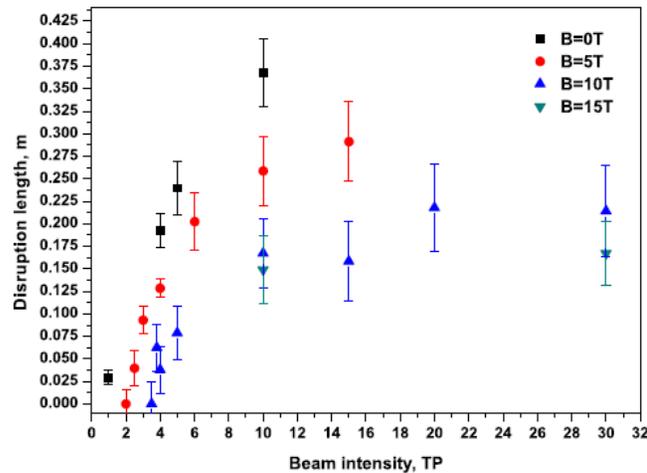


Figure 6: The observed disruption length of the Hg jet for various beam intensities and solenoid field strengths for an incoming proton beam energy of 24GeV.

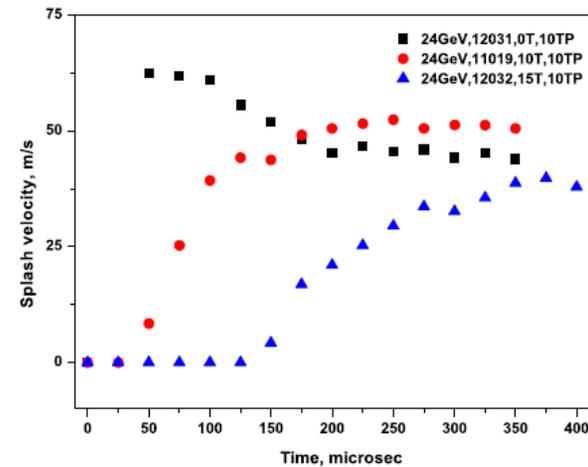


Figure 8: The observed time delay for material being ejected from the Hg jet after impact with a 24-GeV beam containing 10×10^{12} protons.

The Beam dump of a 4 MW proton beam, activation, radioactive waste and target handling issues

Examples of CNGS (doserate) and
T2K (Dump)

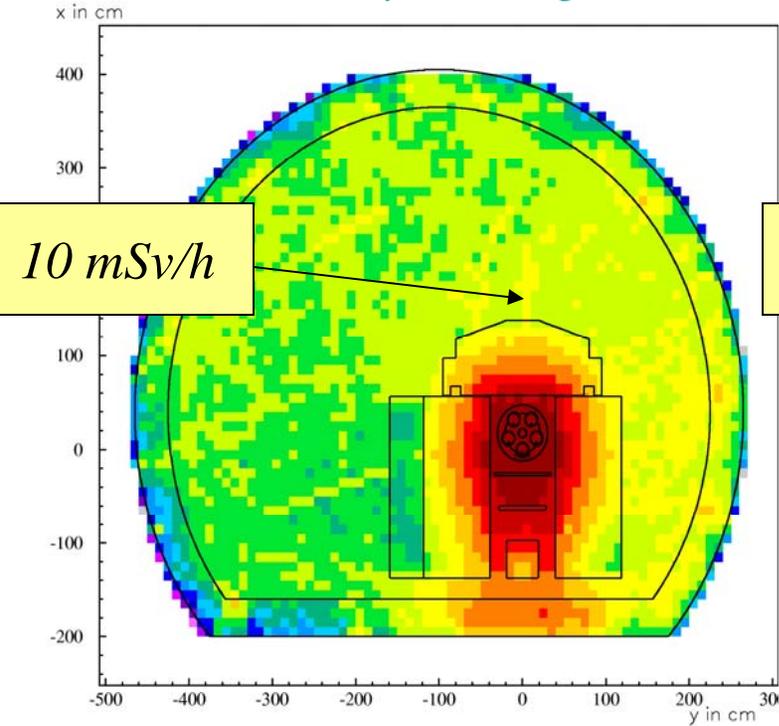
EURISOL-DS (Activation of concrete)

CNGS-Remanent dose rates ... well shielded ~1/500

All possible human interventions needs description, timing and training

Total remanent dose rate (mSv/h)

1 day cooling



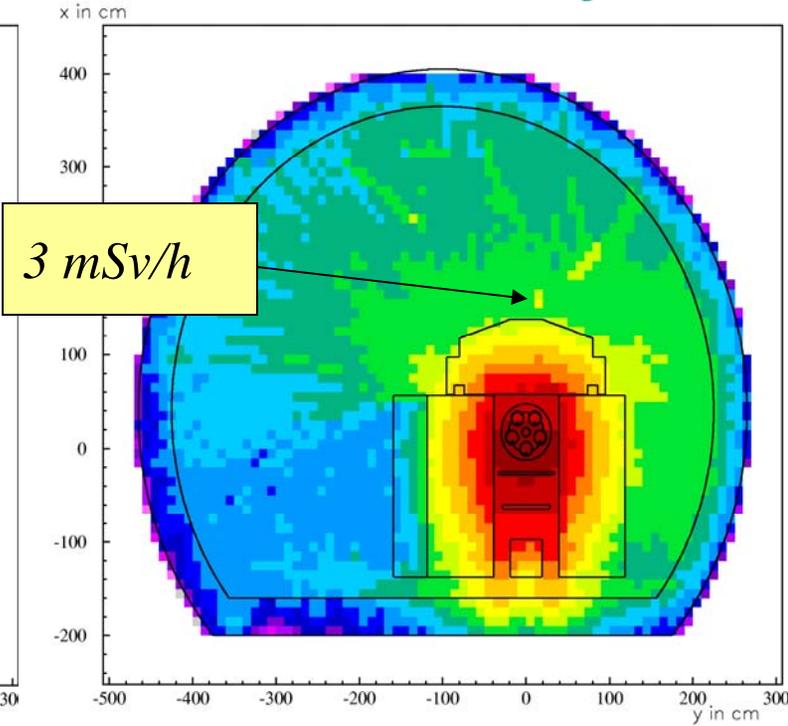
10 mSv/h

3 mSv/h

Remanent Dose Rate (mSv/h) (total)
irradiation, 1 day cooling
 10^{12} protons/s

(200 days irradiation)

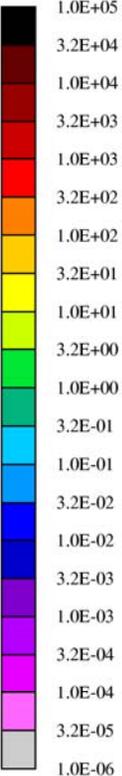
1 week cooling



3 mSv/h

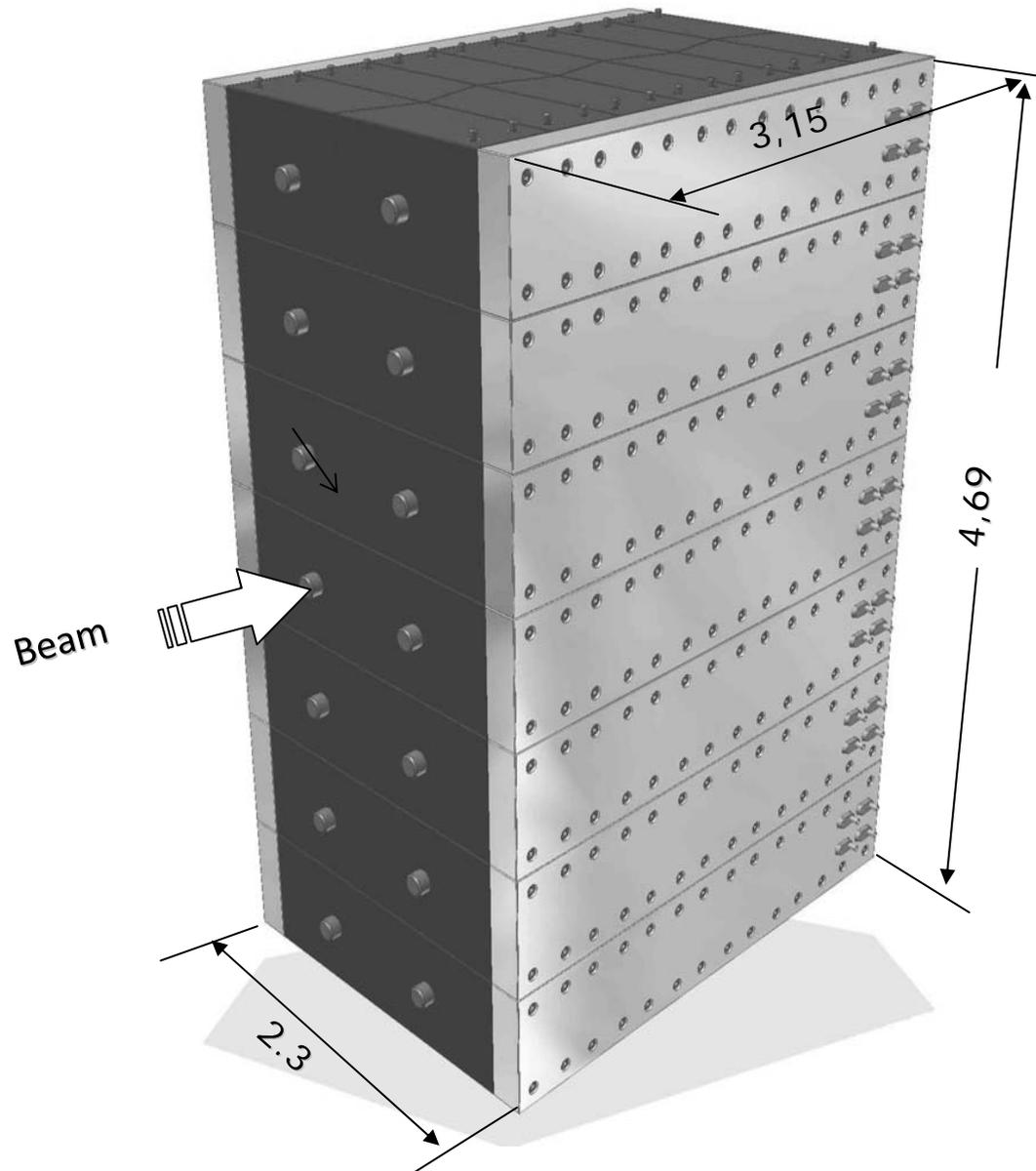
50 μSv/h

Remanent Dose Rate (mSv/h) (total)
irradiation, 1 week cooling
 10^{12} protons/s



T2K graphite Hadron Absorber

Graphite Blocks
+ cooling module
layout



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NODAL SOLUTION

STEP=1
 SUB =1
 TIME=1
 TEMP (AVG)
 RSYS=0
 SMN =37.353
 SMX =829.778

ANSYS

JUN 20 2006
 16:12:28
 PLOT NO. 1

Thermal Model for 4
 MW proton beam at 30
 GeV

Realistic thermal (He)
 links between blocks

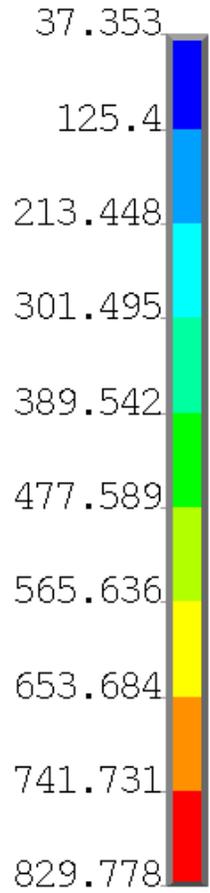
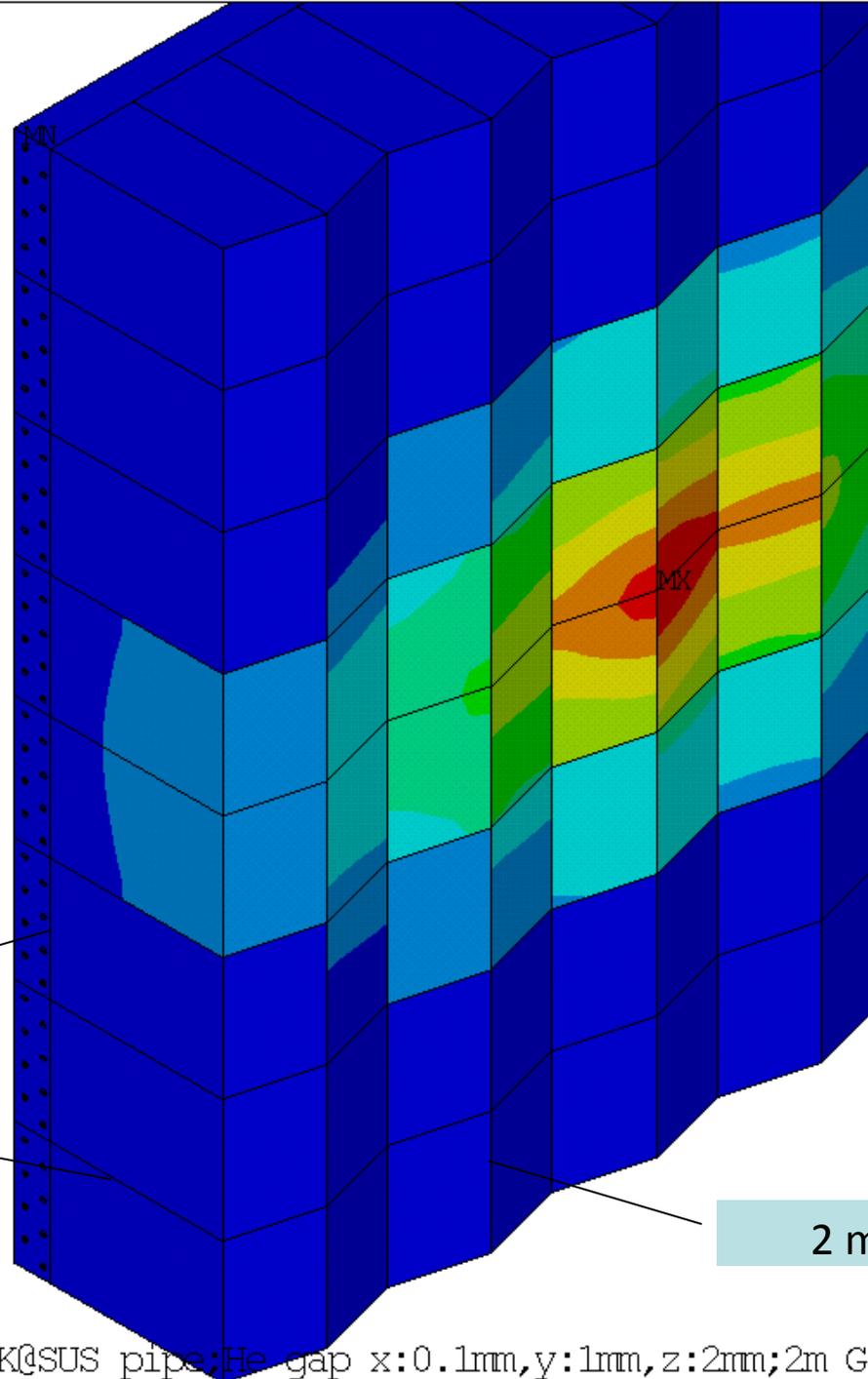
Maximum temperature
 829°C (too hot)

0.1 mm He gap (x)

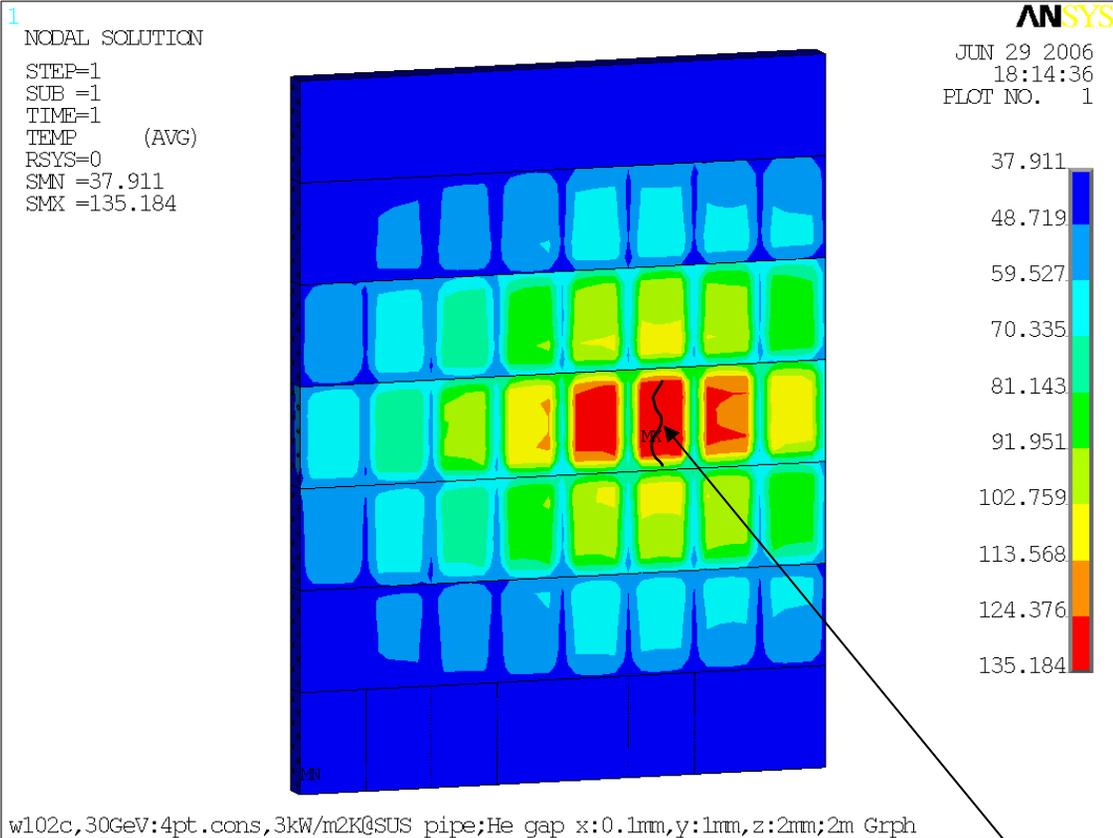
1 mm He gap (y)

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2 mm He gap (z)

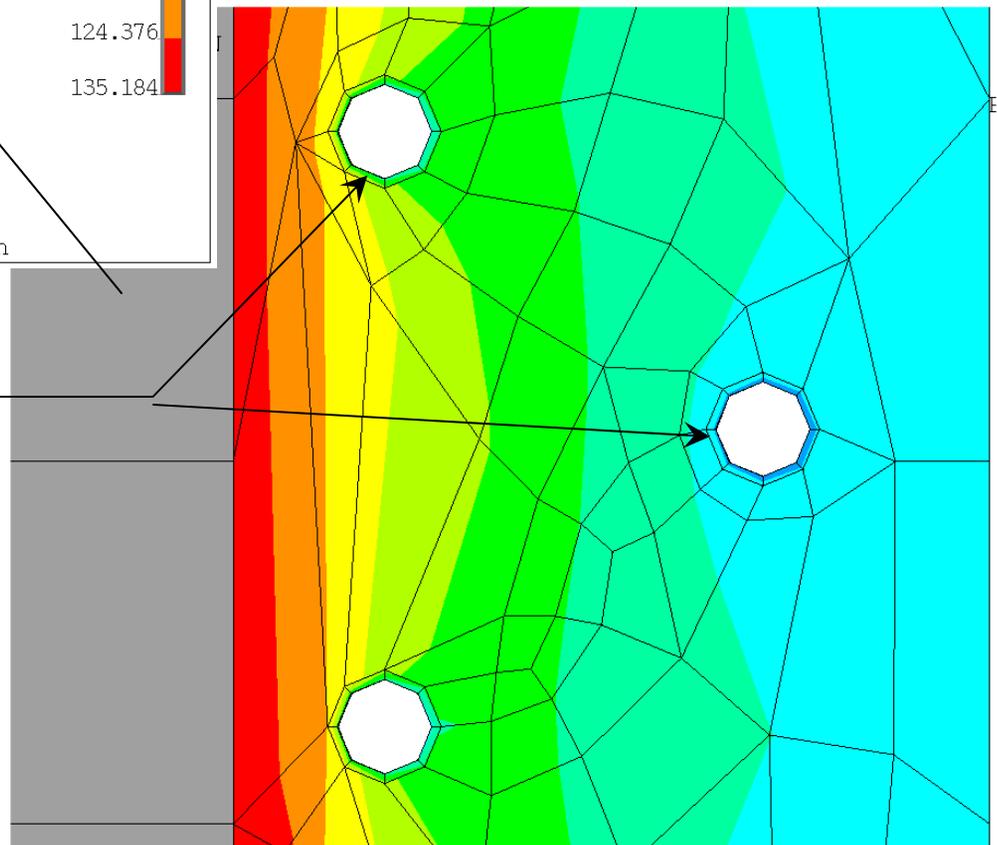


w102c,30GeV:4pt.cons,3kW/m2K@SUS pipe;He_gap x:0.1mm,y:1mm,z:2mm;2m Grph



Cooling module
temperatures

Maximum temperature =
135 C



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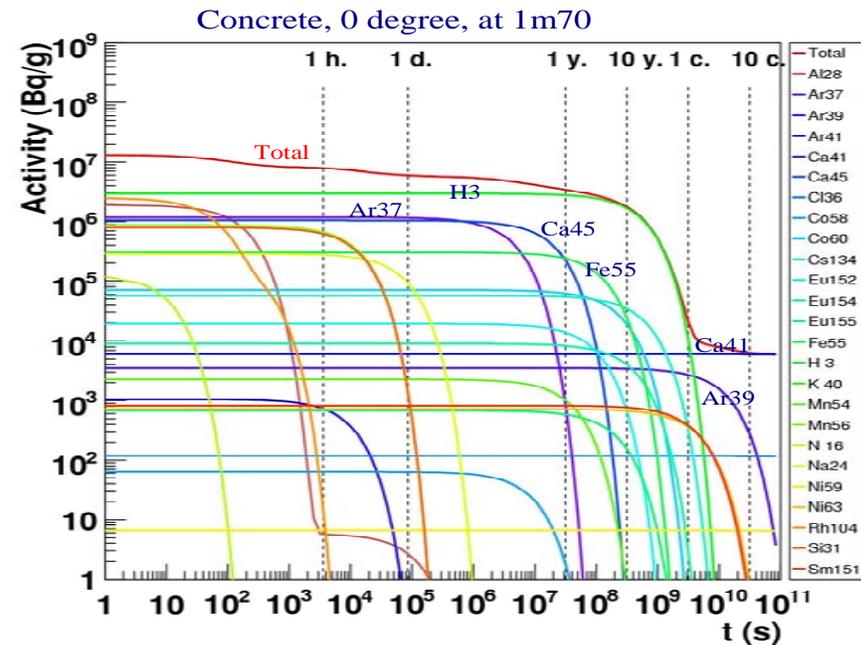
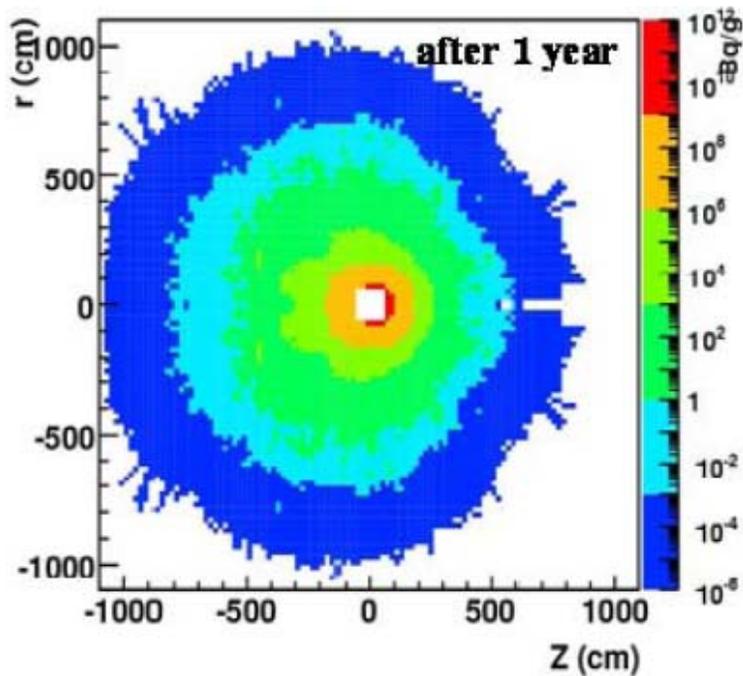
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Conclusions

- Graphite temperatures acceptable for up to 3 MW beam operation
- Single point connection for each graphite block to cooling module is preferable to multi-point connections
- Splitting graphite blocks along centreline reduces stresses to acceptable level
- Downstream copper core planned to be replaced with iron and plate coil water cooling. More work needed to reduce stresses

EURISOL 4MW Hg beam dump

09-Shielding specific activity



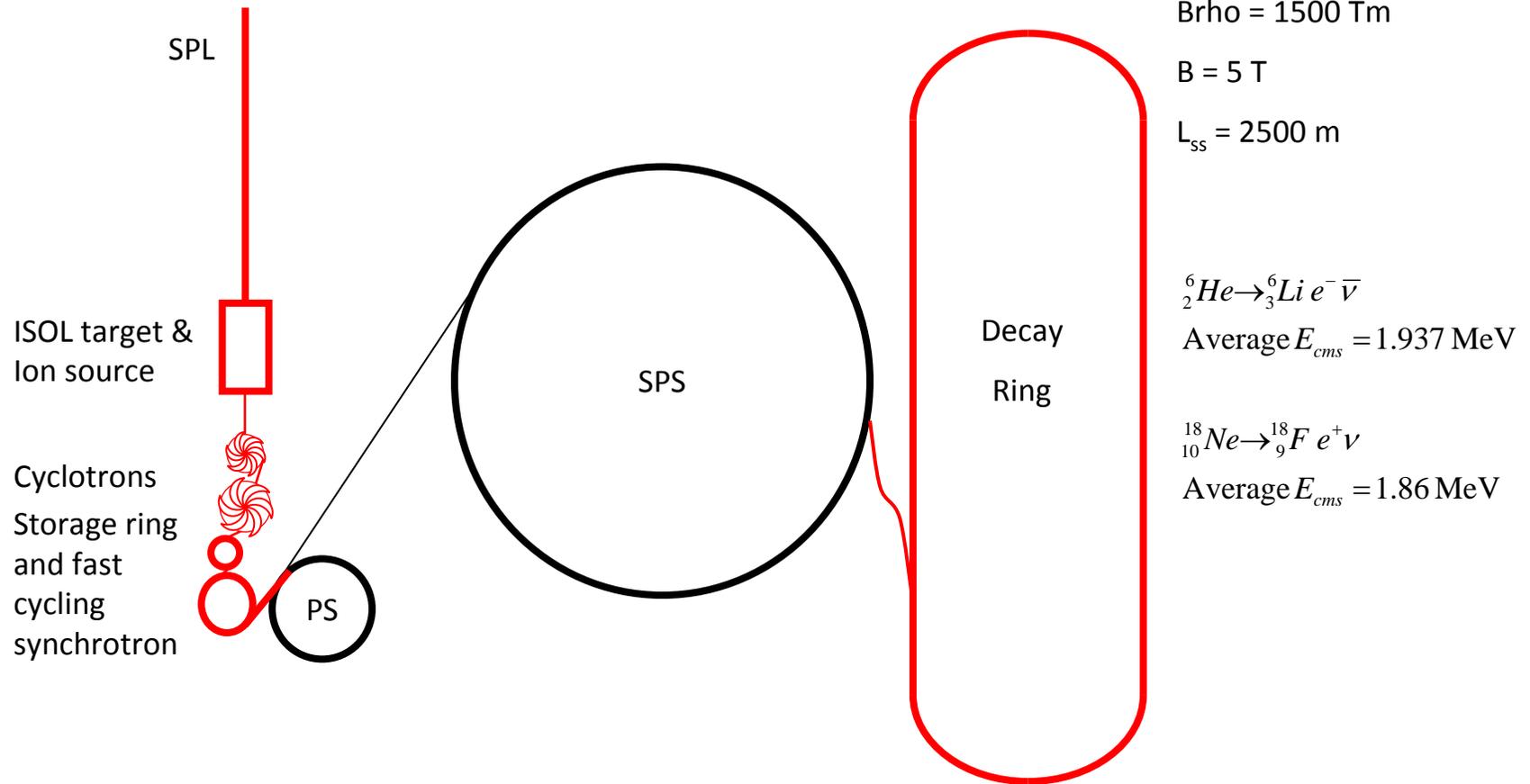
Activity profile (Bq/g) as a function of shielding coordinates (r, z) of the MMW target station, located at (0,0): on the top – after 1 year of cooling. The time evolution of the activity of the shielding concrete after forty years of operations is also shown. In this simulation, 2.3 MW are deposited in the Hg neutron spallation source out of the 4 MW average beam power.

D. Ridikas

Beta-decay ν_e -beams

Why not solve the muon production and cooling problem by deriving neutrinos beams from stored short-lived beta emitters (*P. Zuchelli*)

β - ν -beam baseline scenario 2003



Louvain la neuve
cyclotron

Typical intensities

After

post-acceleration

and

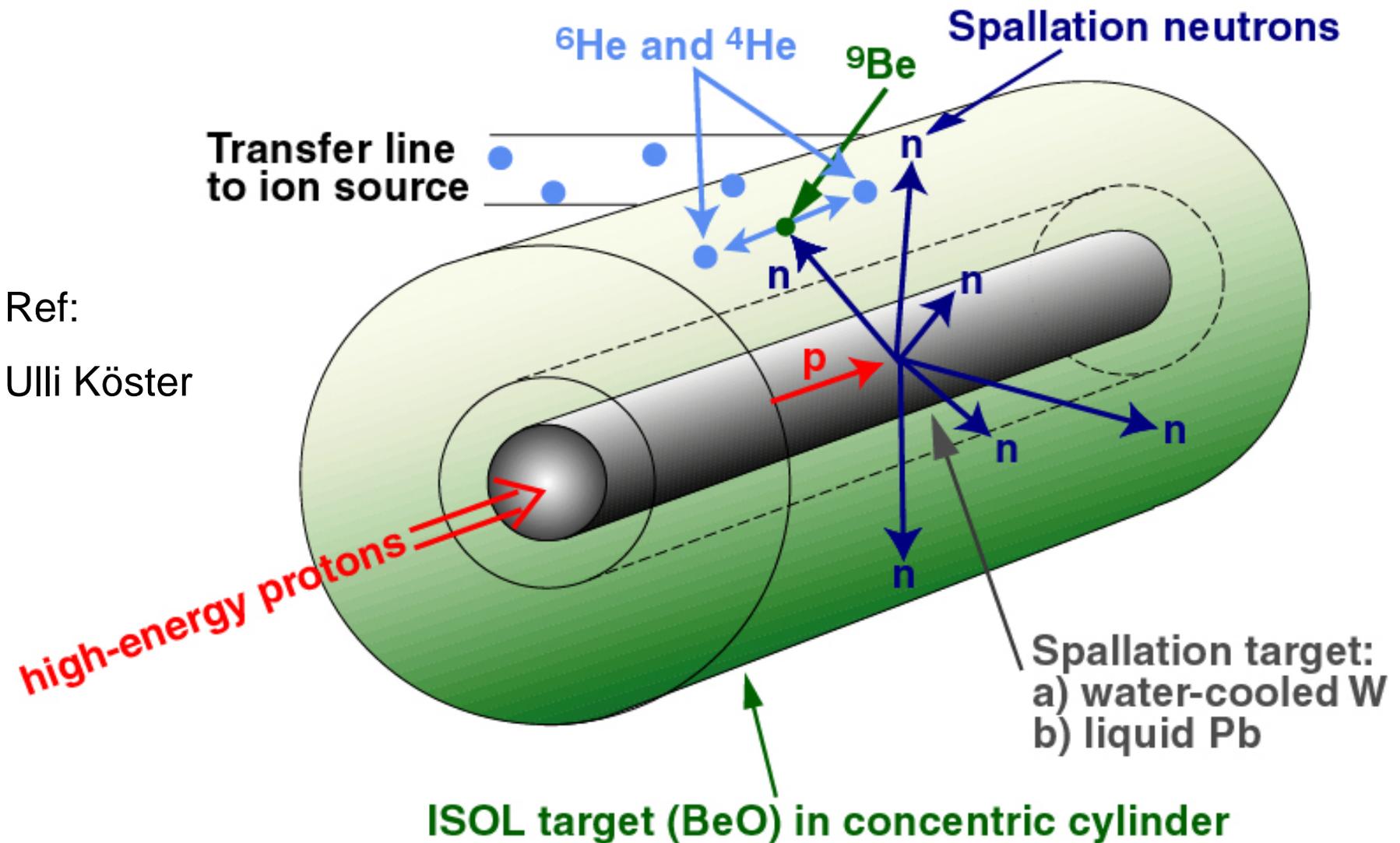
isobaric separation

on experimenter's target

<i>Element</i>	<i>T_{1/2}</i>	<i>q</i>	<i>Energy Range [MeV]</i>	<i>Intensity [pps]*</i>
⁶ Helium	0.8 s	1+	5.3 – 18	1·10 ⁷
		2+	30 – 73	3·10 ⁵
⁷ Beryllium	53 days	1+	5.3 – 12.9	2·10 ⁷
		2+	25 – 62	4·10 ⁶
¹⁰ Carbon	19.3 s	1+	5.6 - 11	2·10 ⁵
		2+	24 - 44	1·10 ⁴
¹¹ Carbon	20 min	1+	6.2 – 10	1·10 ⁷
¹³ Nitrogen	10 min	1+	7.3 – 8.5	4·10 ⁸
		2+	11 – 34	3·10 ⁸
		3+	45 – 70	1·10 ⁸
¹⁵ Oxygen	2 min	2+	10 – 29	6·10 ⁷
¹⁸ Fluorine	110 min	2+	11 – 24	5·10 ⁶
¹⁸ Neon	1.7 s	2+	11 – 24	1·10 ⁷
		3+	24 – 33, 45 – 55	4·10 ⁶
¹⁹ Neon	17 s	2+	11 – 23	2·10 ⁹
		2+	7.5 – 9.5	5·10 ⁹ (CYC44)
		3+	23 – 35, 45 – 50	1.5·10 ⁹
		4+	60 – 93	8·10 ⁸
³⁵ Argon	1.8 s	3+	20 – 28	2·10 ⁶
		5+	50 – 79	1·10 ⁵

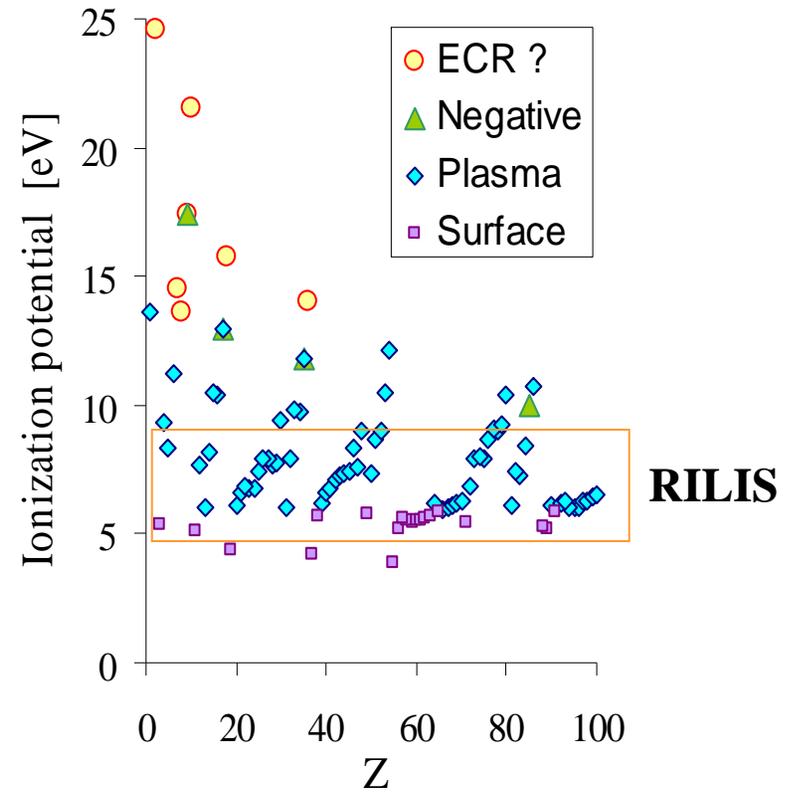
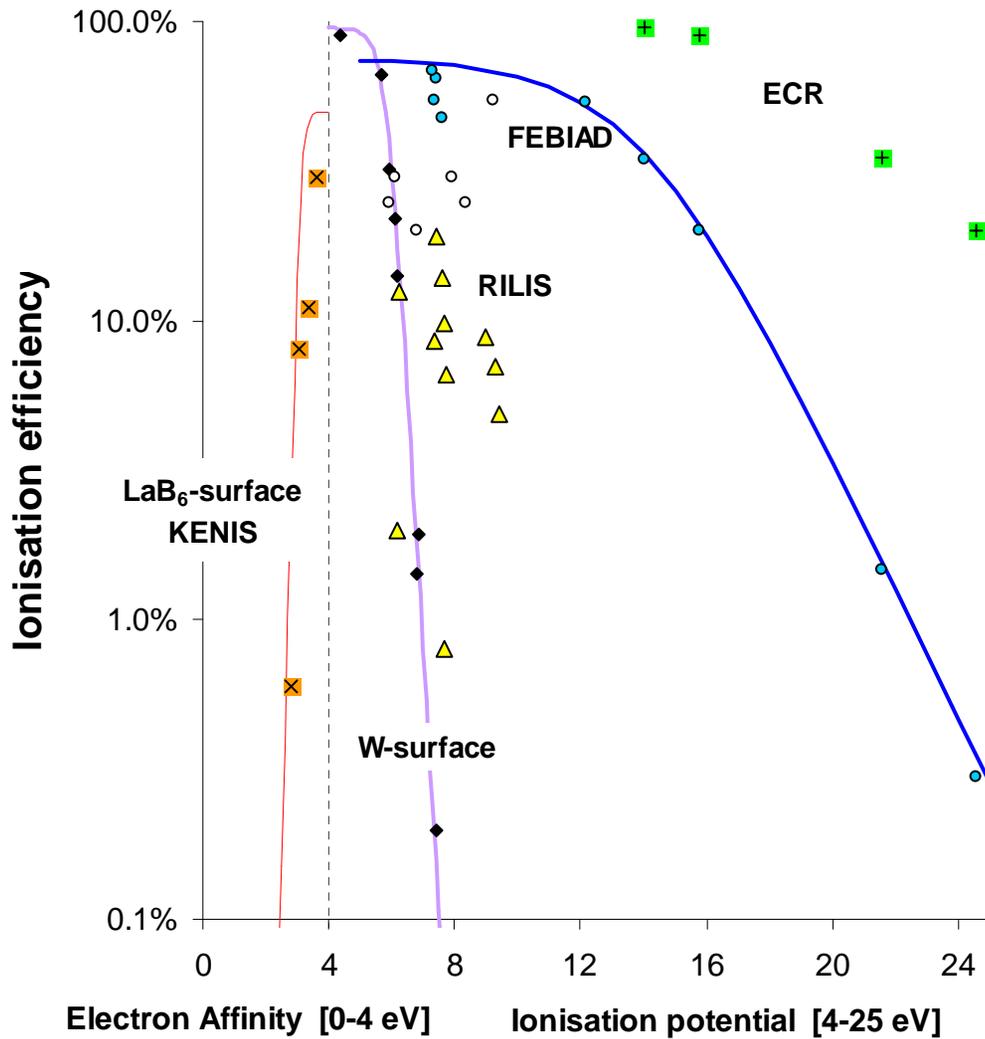
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${}^6\text{He}$ production by ${}^9\text{Be}(n,\alpha)$

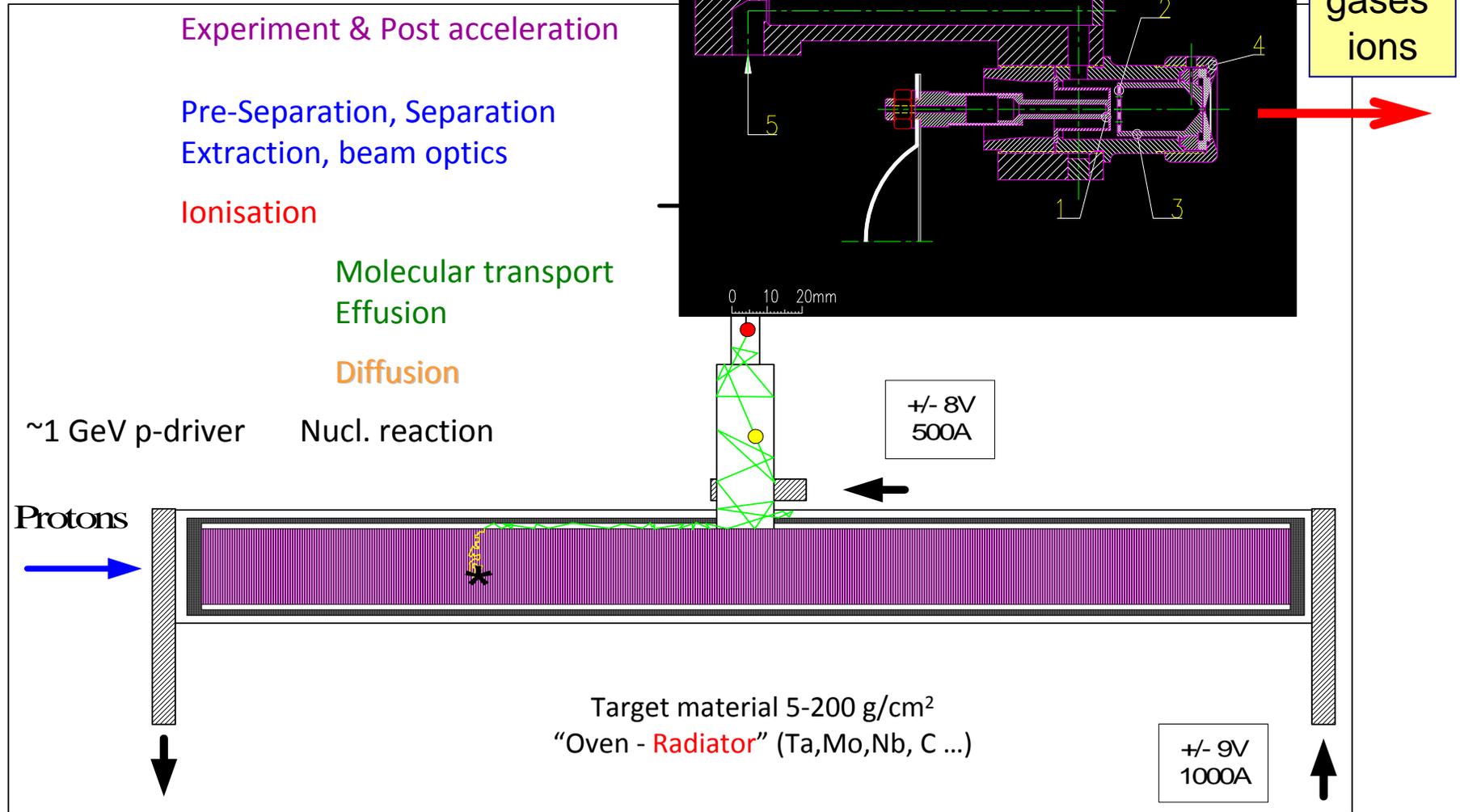


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RIB-Ion-sources efficiencies + ARC-ECRIS charge state breeder ?

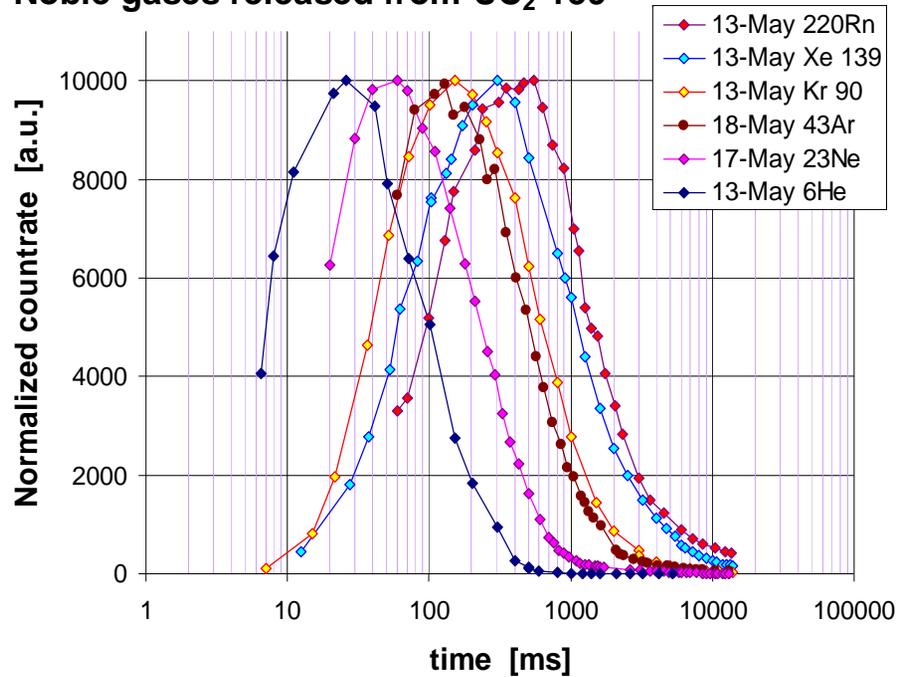


“Thick” target ISOL

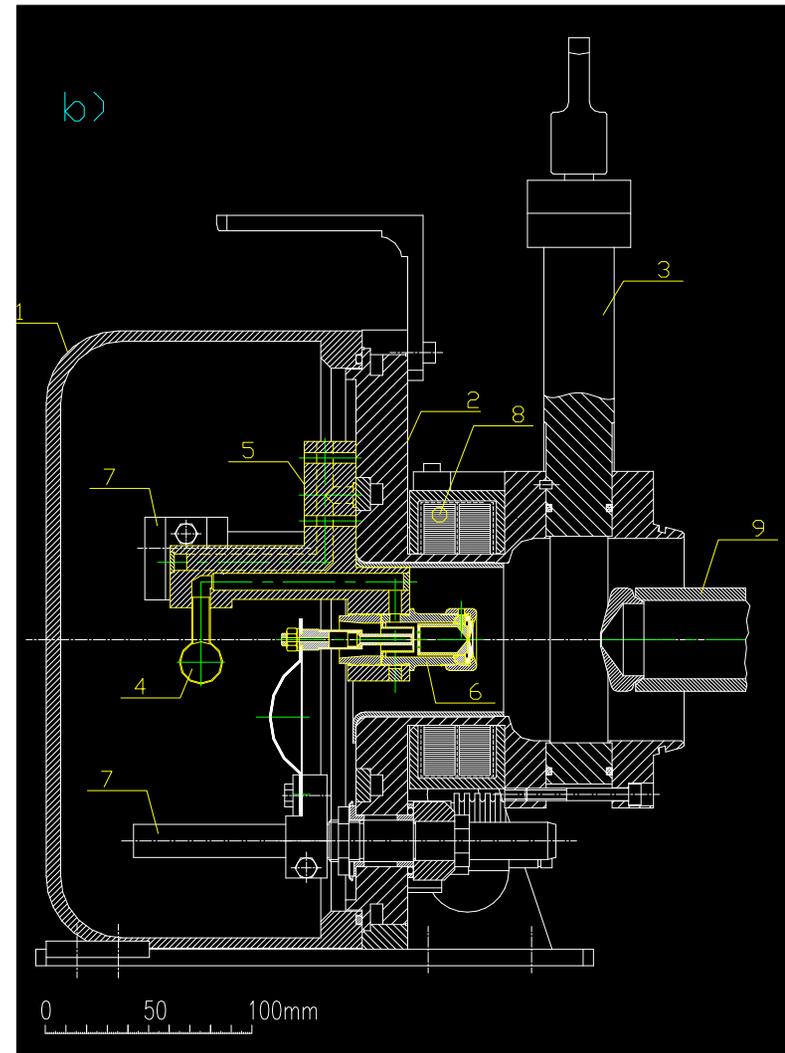


Release of noble gases from UCx target and MK7 ion-source

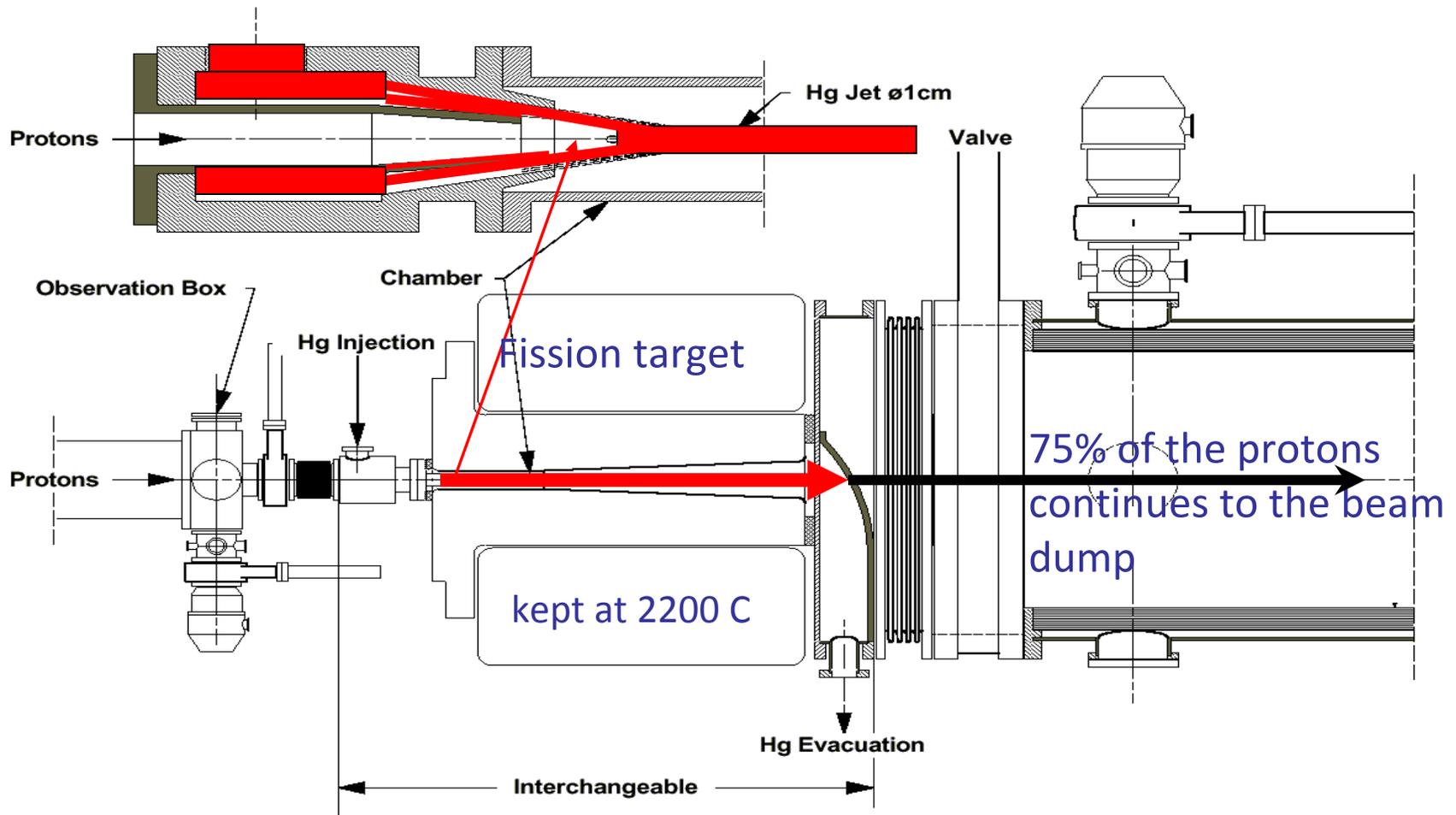
Noble gases released from UC₂-159



Scaling and parameterization of release
Vs. Temperature, masses, diffusion coefficients,
and desorption enthalpies
Trapped Mother in the target (i.e. ²²⁴Ra – ²²⁰Rn)



Mercury-jet p-n converter surrounded by a Uranium carbide target

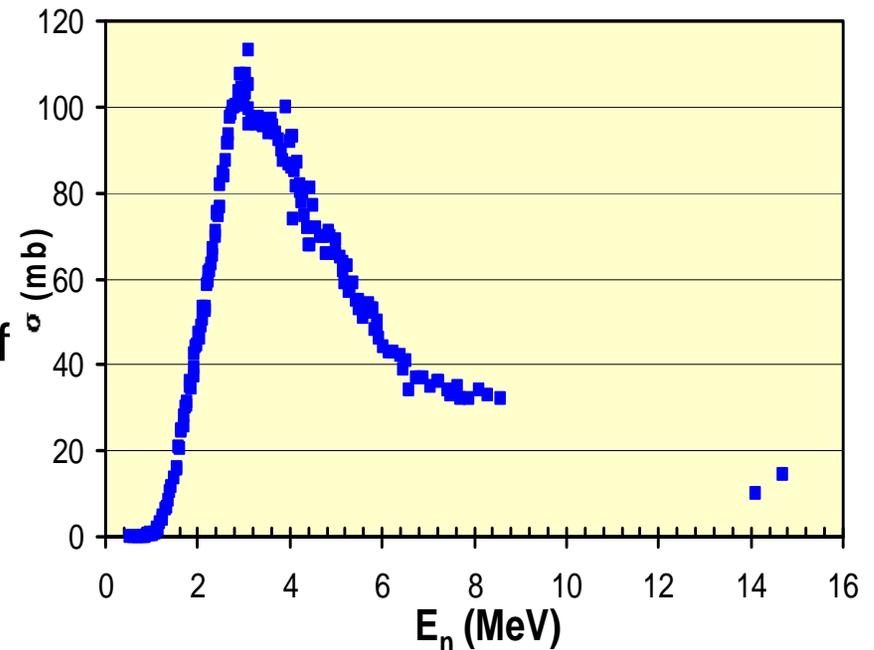


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${}^6\text{He}$ production by ${}^9\text{Be}(n,\alpha)$

${}^9\text{Be}(n,\alpha){}^6\text{He}$ reaction favorable:

- Threshold: 0.6 MeV
- Peak cross-section 105 mb
- Good overlap with evaporation part of spallation neutron spectrum:
 $n(E) \sim \sqrt{E} \exp(-E/E_e)$
- E_e : 2.06 MeV for 2 GeV p on Pb G.S.
Bauer, NIM A463 (2001) 505
- BeO very refractory



Targetry Challenges & tools, a Conclusion

- Proton beam
 - Energy and time structure
 - Pion-Cross sections
- Molten metal targets (cooling & transport)
 - High pressure high velocity molten metal fluid dynamics
 - Cavitation in the piping, Corrosion
 - Recuperation of high velocity splashes, Phase transition
 - Purification of the molten metal circuits
 - MHD of molten metal jets
- Solid targets (cooling & transport)
 - Effect of dpa and radiogenic chemical impurities on material properties
 - High velocity mechanics under vacuum
 - Compaction of Ta-beads, powders
- Component reliability or life time of pion-optics vs. exchange time
 - Horns & Solenoids
- Simulation codes
 - Detailed Energy deposition (MARS, GEANT, FLUKA)
 - Shock transport elastic-plastic (LS-Dyna, Autodyn,...)
 - 3d-Shocks in liquids with MHD
- Activation of components, inventory of specific activities vs. time
 - Radioactive waste handling
 - Internal transport, intermediate storage
 - End disposal
- *Experimental areas dedicated to target tests (highest radiotoxicity)*
 - Optical measurement techniques in high radiation environment