

## Working group 1: our original task

### 1. Drivers/ Experiments (Andrew Ng, John Barnard, chairs)

What are the advantages and disadvantages of each method?

What are the opportunities for collaboration?

What target regimes are accessible for each method?

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## **Working group 1: what we actually did**

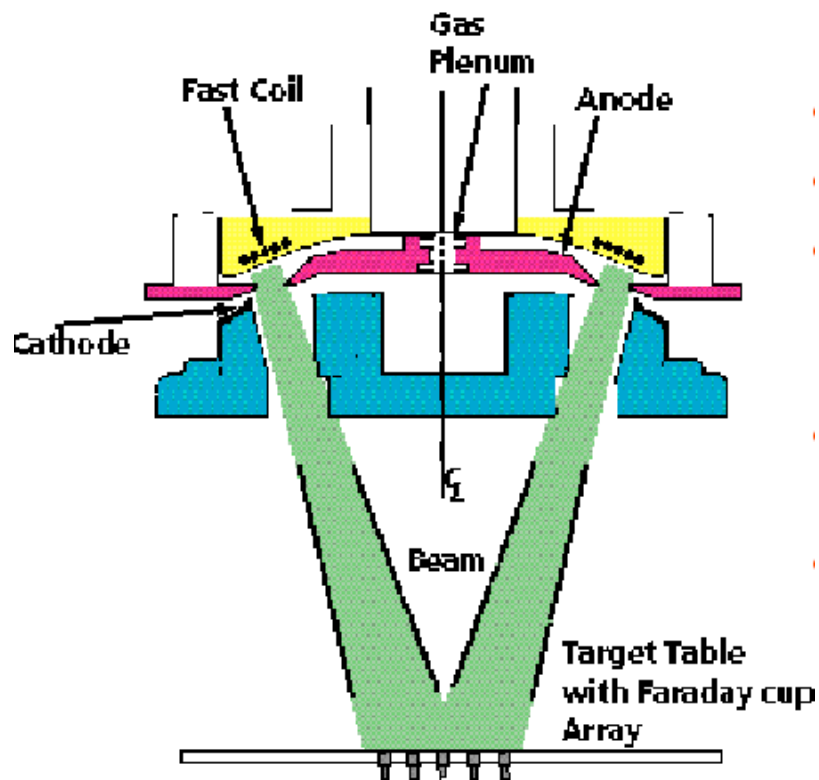
- 1. Tim Renk: Characterizing the RHEPP-1 oxygen beam and its effects on solid targets**
- 2. Adam Sefkow: NDCX1-A parameter optimization simulations: Moving towards 1 eV target heating for WDM experiments**
- 3. Dale Welch: Avoiding preheat in a Warm Dense Matter experiment**
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## 1. Tim Renk and Craig Olson: Characterizing the RHEPP-1 oxygen beam and its effects on solid targets

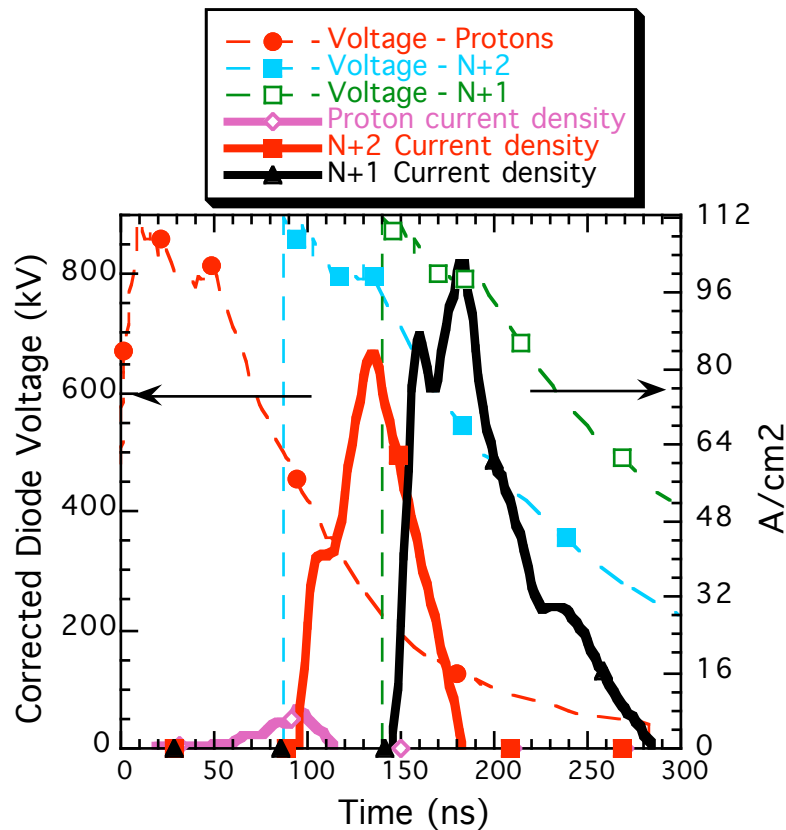
The MAP (Magnetically Confined Anode Plasma) Ion Source is used for surface modification experiments on RHEPP-1



- 500-850 kV
- $< 350 \text{ A/cm}^2$
- Beams from H, He,  $\text{N}_2$ ,  $\text{O}_2$ , Ne, Ar, Xe, Kr,  $\text{CH}_4$
- Overall treatment area  $\sim 100 \text{ cm}^2$
- Diode vacuum  $\sim 10^{-5} \text{ Torr}$



## Nitrogen injection into MAP produces 3-component beam of mostly N++, N+



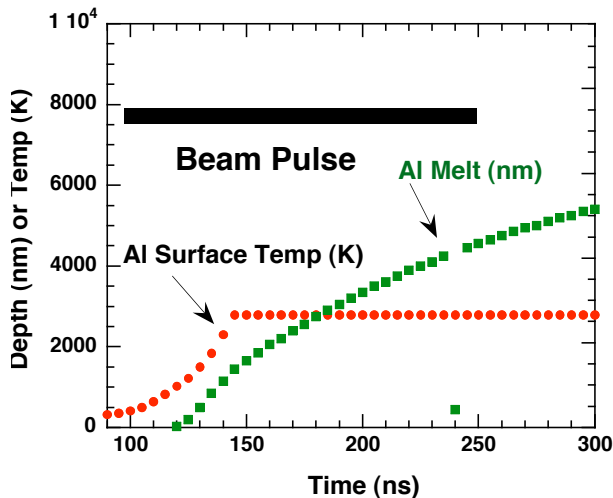
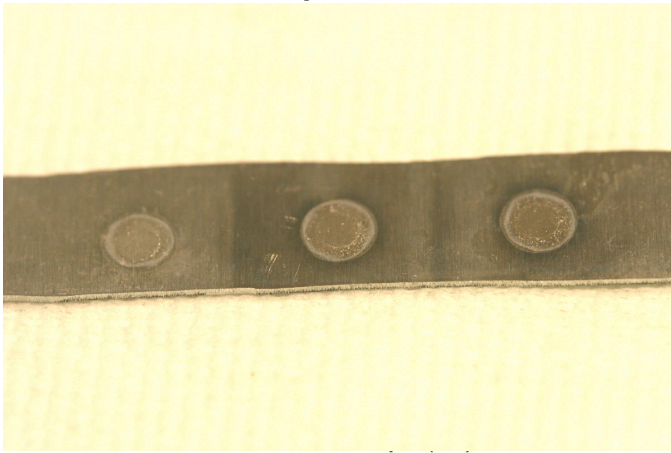
- Beam predominantly N++ and N+ after small proton pulse at front
- Peak voltage = 850 kV  
Peak current density (total) ~145 A/cm²
- Total fluence = 7.9 J/cm² - will ablate almost all materials
- Total pulse width at target ~ 200 ns
- Ion range (TRIM):  
N+ 0.9  $\mu$ m, N++ 1.2  $\mu$ m
- Oxygen, Neon beams similar

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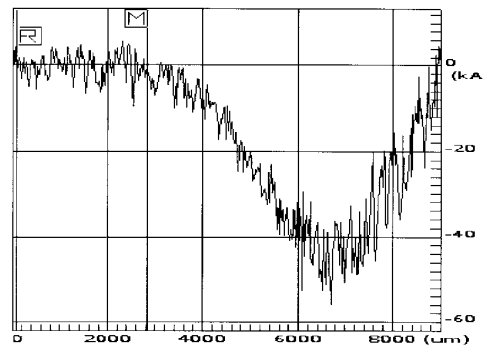


## Single Oxygen pulse makes 4 $\mu\text{m}$ -deep crater in Al 2024-T6

Photo - 3 Al melt spots



Al Melt Temp 933K  
Vapor Temp 2793K



Center spot -  
Profilometer scan

Material: Al 2024-T6

Three 4mm countersunk holes 1.3 cm apart in Ta aperture plate  
aperture-target dist = 3.5 mm

Profilometer: 4  $\mu\text{m}$ -deep ablation pit  
SIM: I-d Heat Flow Code, energy input from TRIM, then bulk properties. Does NOT model ablation

Beam pulse 0-250 ns, 6 J/cm<sup>2</sup>

- H - very small, 20K rise by 90ns
- Oxy - ablation temp (2793K) by 140 ns

Surface below 2793K by 660ns, Al melt depth reaches 10  $\mu\text{m}$  by 1.5  $\mu\text{sec}$ . Peak SIM Al temp = 9500K

Ta: 6J/cm<sup>2</sup> simulation exceeds 12,000K (low Ta thermal conductivity)

Al melt duration well beyond 10  $\mu\text{sec}$



Tim Renk and Craig Olson: Characterizing the RHEPP-1 oxygen beam and its effects on solid targets





## Summary

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RHEPP-1 with active ion source can generate intense ion beams of total currents  $\sim 5$  kA, peak currents  $\sim 250$  A/cm<sup>2</sup>, with variable dose over a  $\sim 150$  cm<sup>2</sup> target area. Beam pulsewidth  $\sim 150 - 400$  ns

Present oxygen beam can ablate any metal, over a 50-500 ns timescale. Peak effective temperatures approach 10,000K ( $\sim 1$  eV).

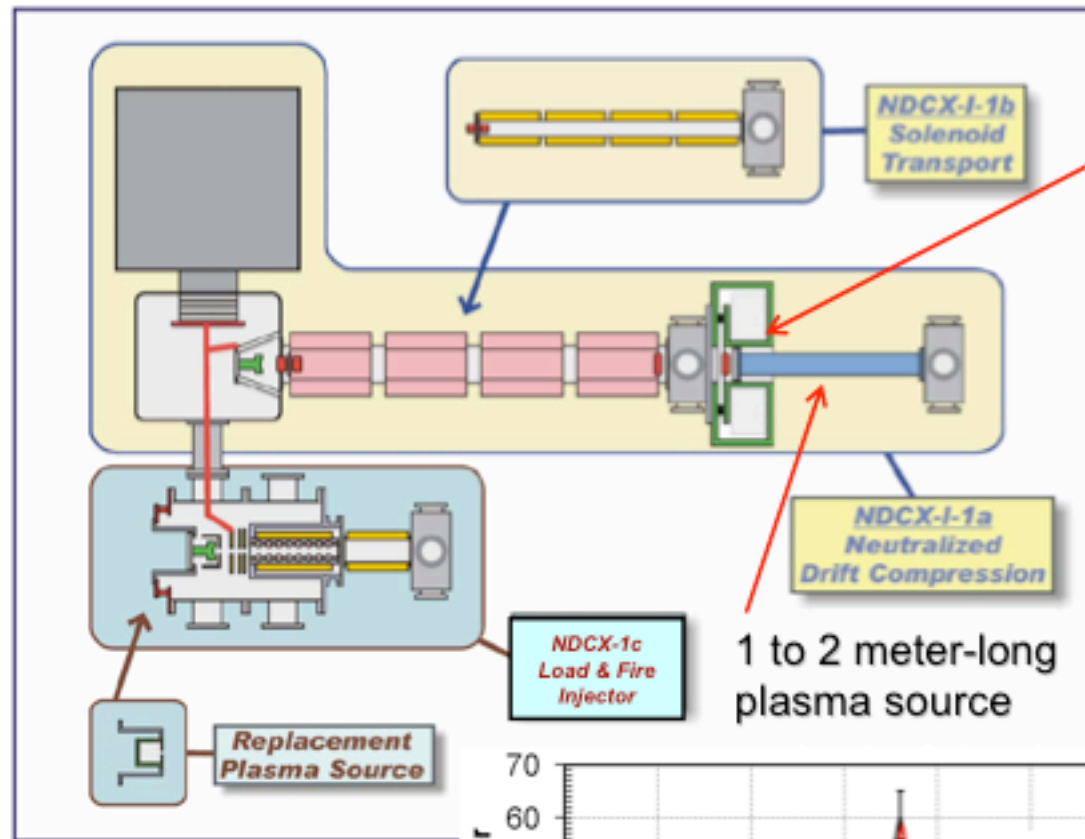
Beam optics studies indicate possible paths for improvement. One idea is to 'fill' the anode annular gap with a screen.

RHEPP/MAP can be considered either for 1) preliminary effects experiments, or 2) as a test-bed for diagnostic development. Preference is for real-time diagnostics (not time-integrated)

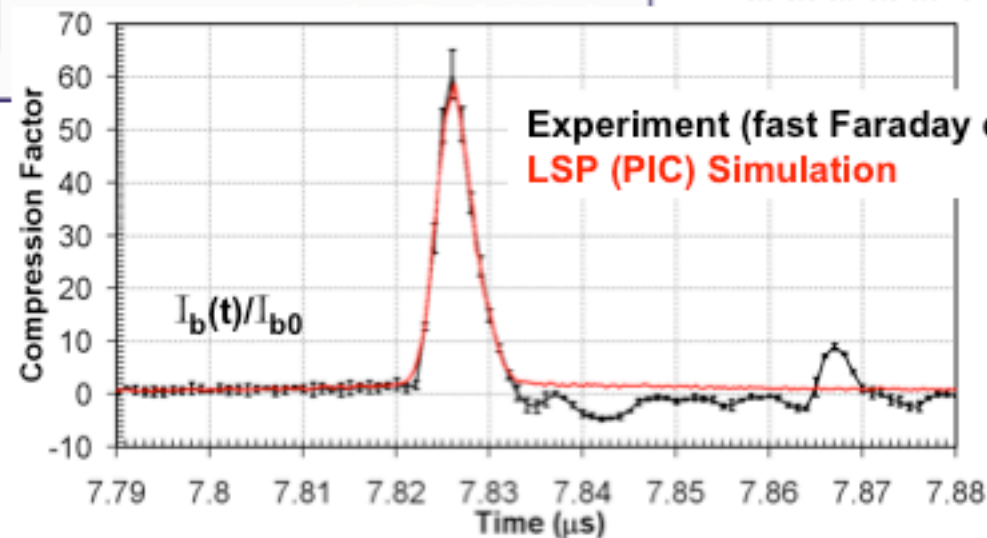
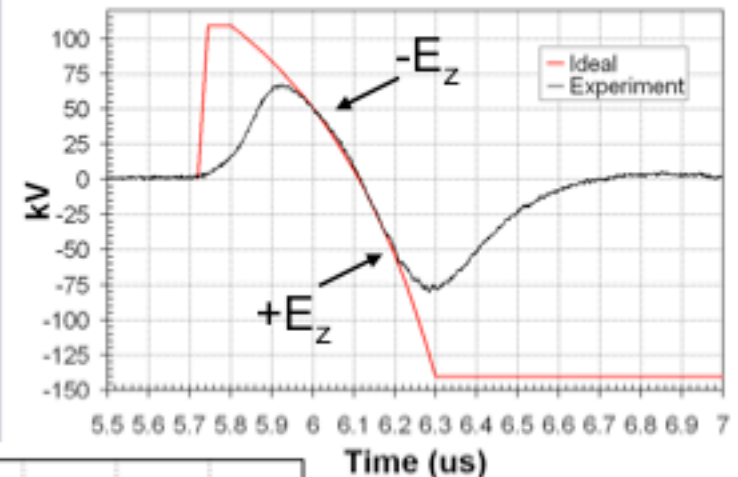
## 2. Adam Sefkow et al: NDCX1-A parameter optimization simulations

60X Longitudinal compression achieved in NDCX-1A experiments

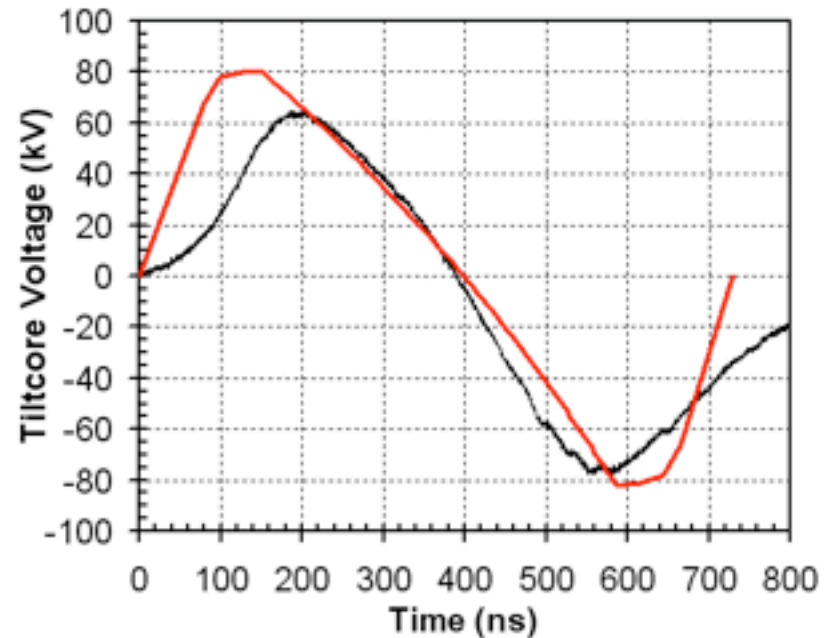
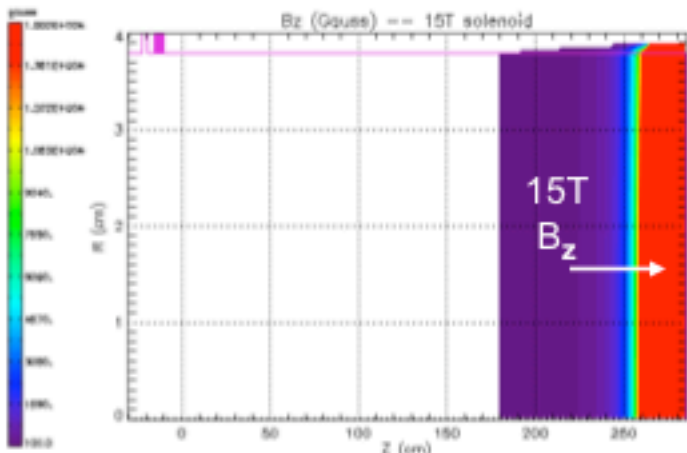
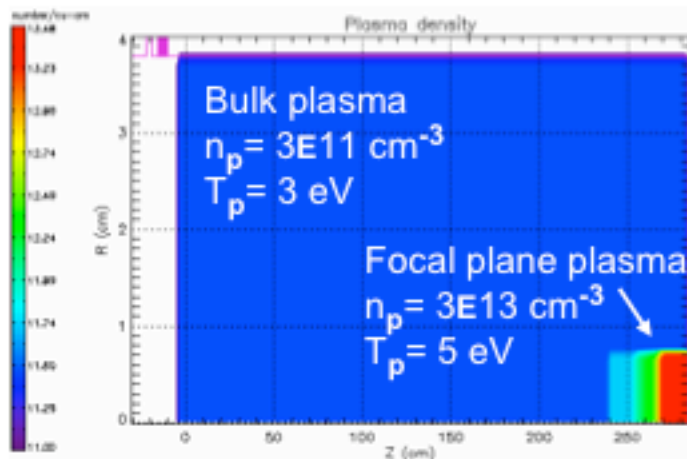
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Single-gap linear induction accelerator (induces pulsed  $E(t)$  along axis of beam), also called the "tiltcore" because it imposes a head-to-tail velocity tilt on the passing ion beam via a time-dependent voltage waveform applied across the gap.



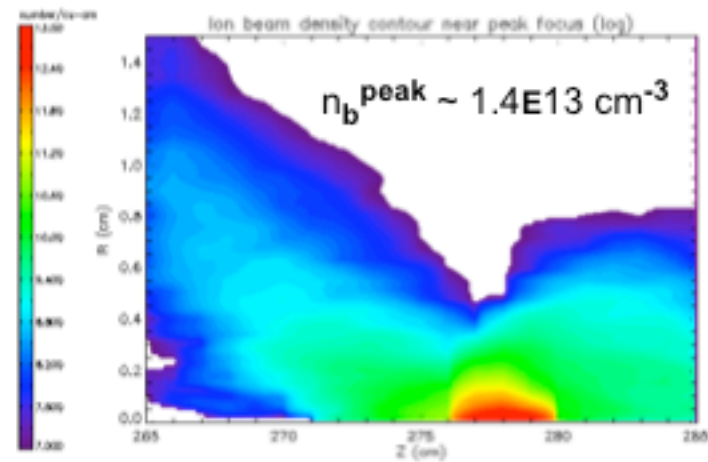
- 400 keV  $K^+$ , 80 mA,  $r = 1.9$  cm,  $T = 0.2$  eV
- 0.6  $\mu$ s initial pulse length
- 2.90 m focal length, 21.2% tilt (in red, on right)
- $B = 15$  T for transverse focusing
- $n_p = 3E11$  cm $^{-3}$  bulk to  $3E13$  cm $^{-3}$  in focal region
- EM kinetic simulation, conserves energy well



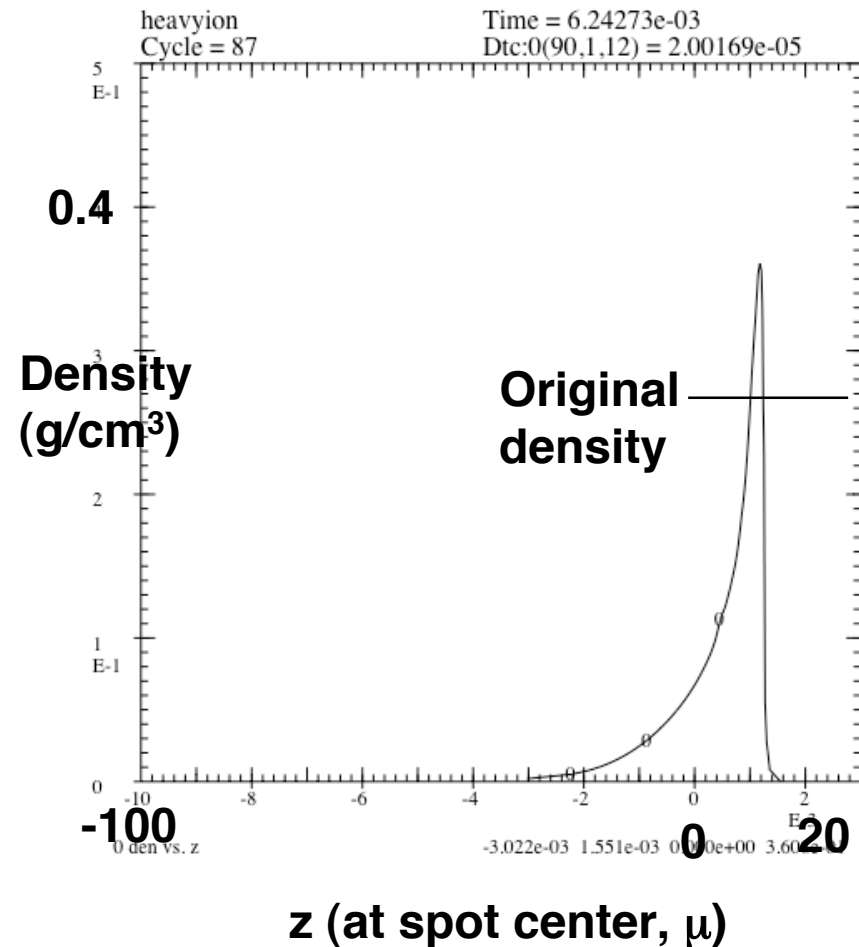
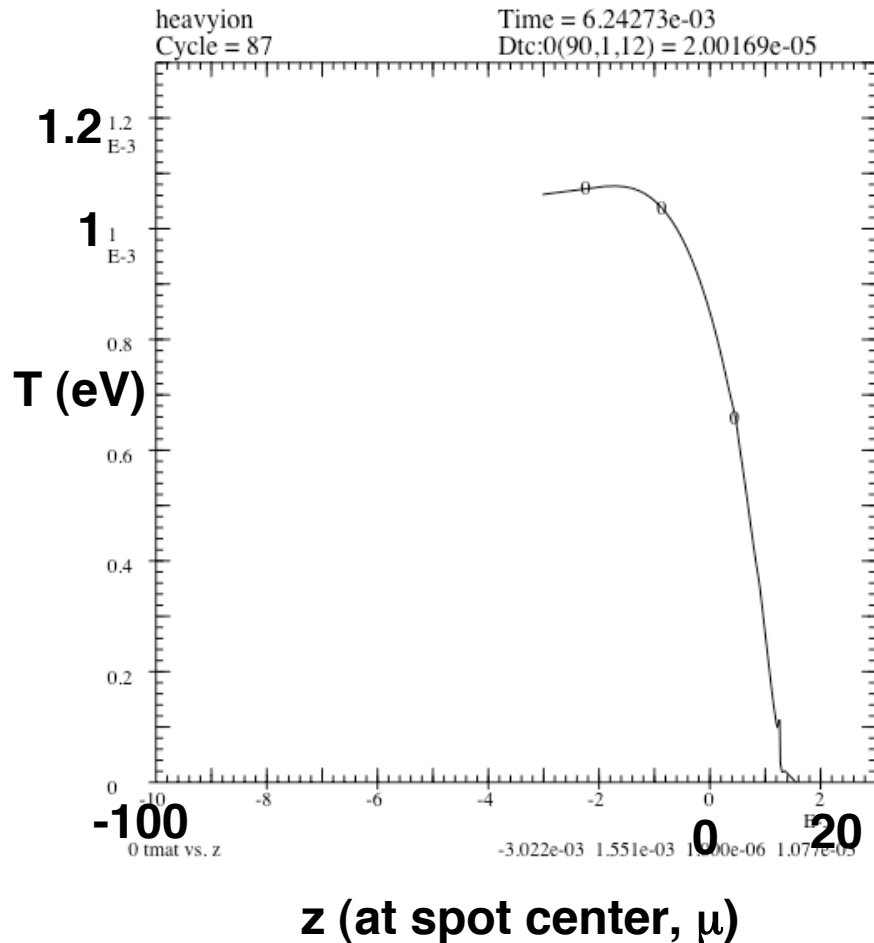
Induction module waveform (above):

Experimental: 320 keV  $K^+$ , 20mA  $\rightarrow$  **60X**, 4.3ns ( $f=2.34$ m)

Simulation: 400 keV  $K^+$ , 80mA  $\rightarrow$  **125X**, 3.0ns ( $f=2.90$ m)



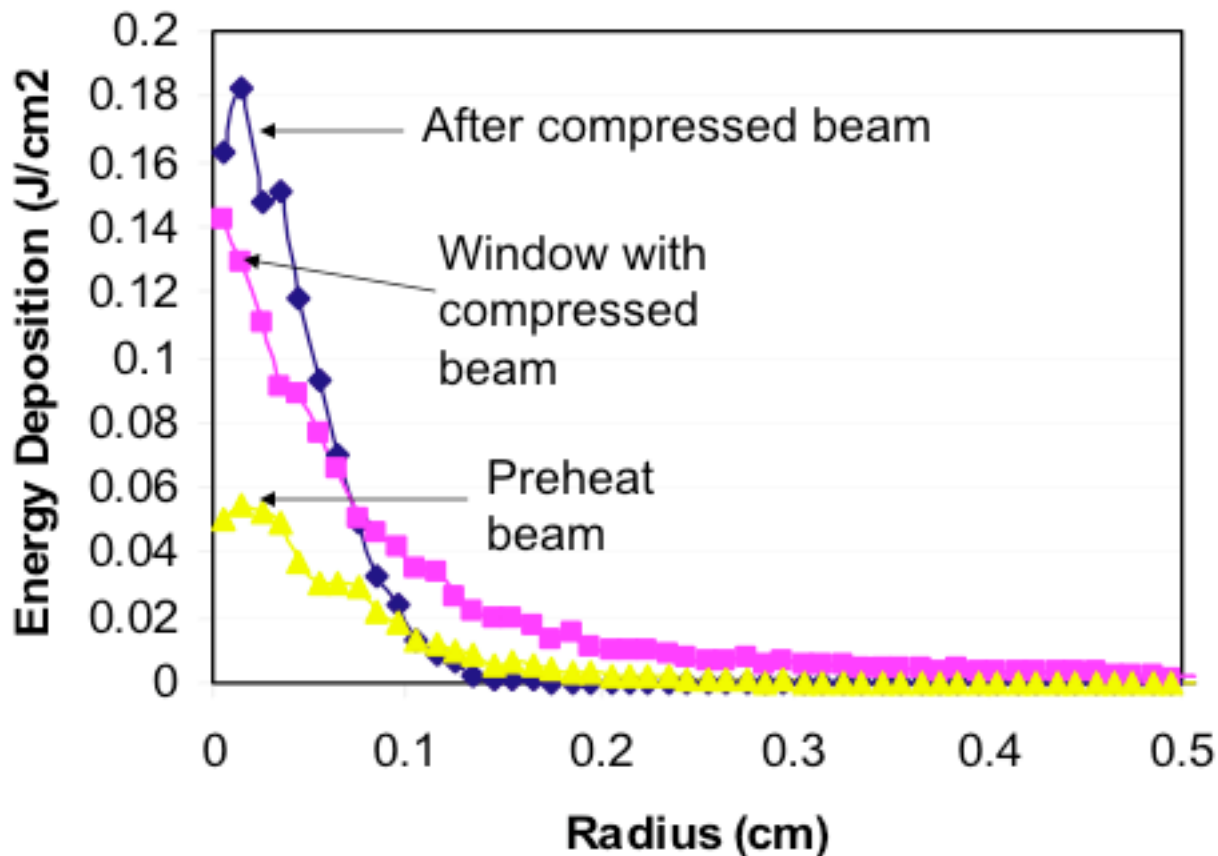
**HYDRA shows a maximum temperature of 1.1 eV at 6.2 ns (for a 10  $\mu$  thick, 10% density Al foil)**



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## Nominal focus gives terrible contrast

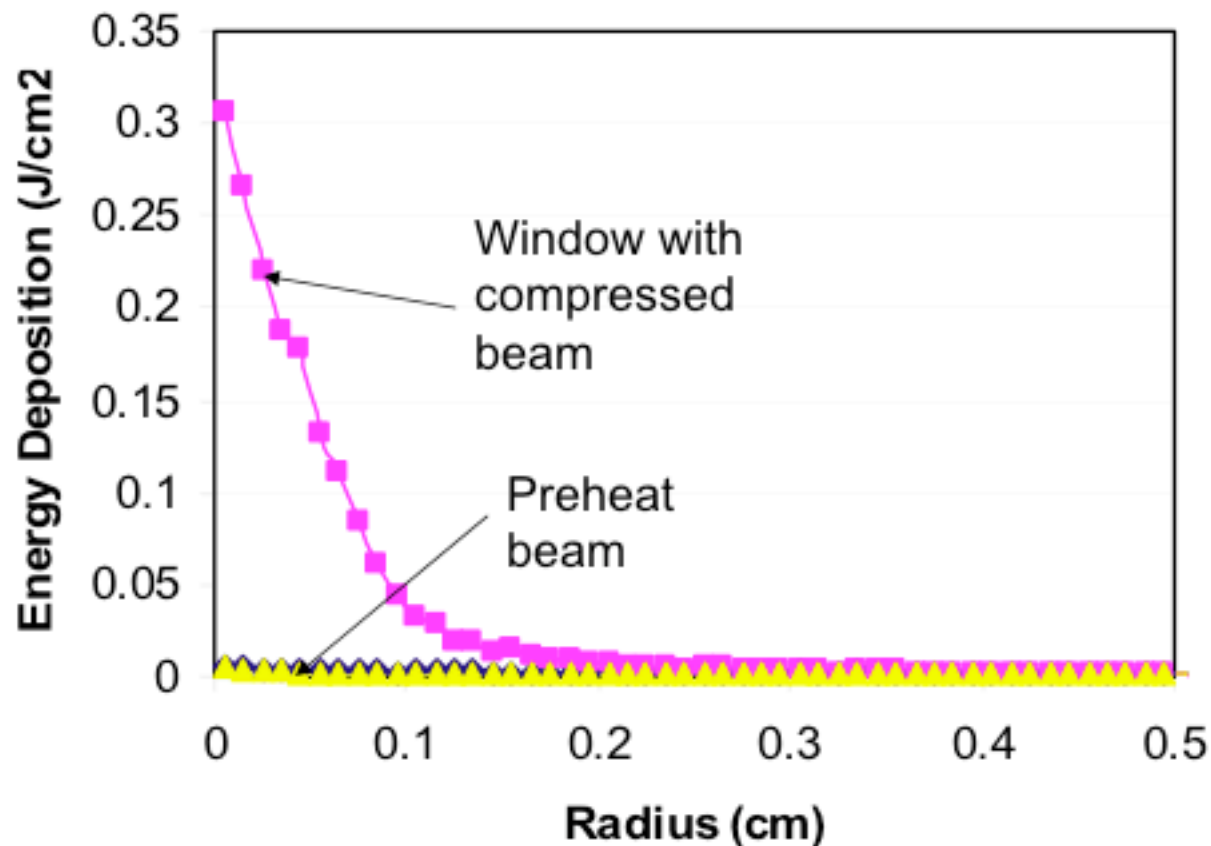
- Beam given a 8.5 milliradian angle, compressed portion of beam reaches solenoid with a 1.5 cm radius
- Focus tighter for uncompressed beam, terrible contrast



200 ns  
windows

# Over focus of beam

- Beam given a 19 milliradian angle – uncompressed beam focuses before solenoid
- Beam tightest at axial compression, contrast excellent
- Should be able tolerate 1 microsecond pre-pulse

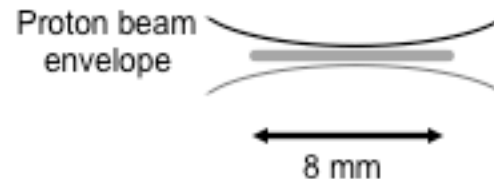
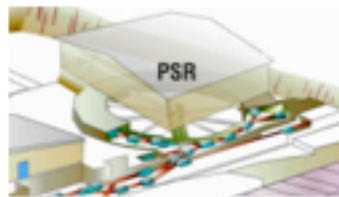


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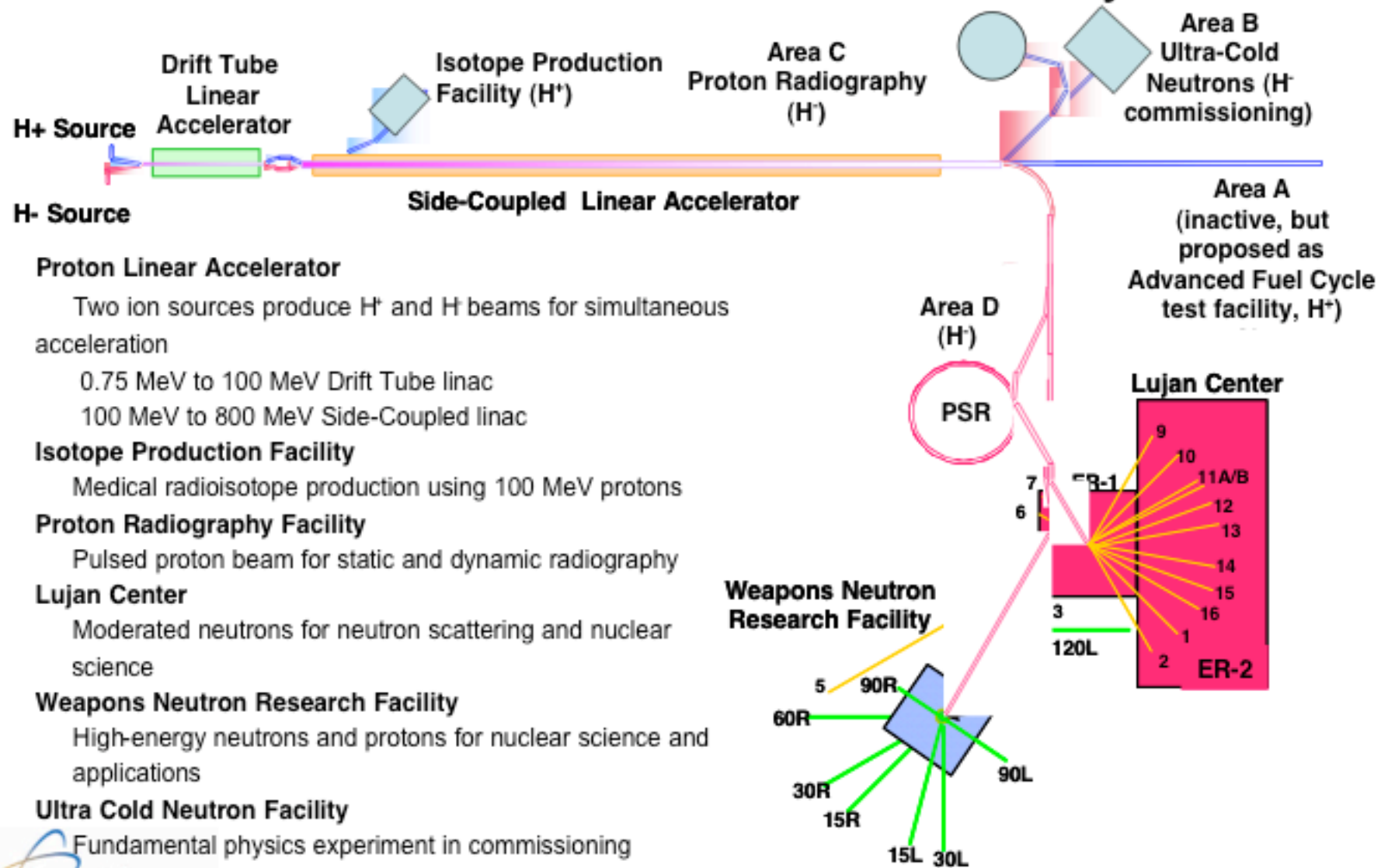
## The PSR pulse can be used to generate HEHD states comparable to the proposed SIS-18 experiment

- The PSR beam has the following demonstrated performance:  
 $8\mu\text{C}/\text{pulse}$ , 330 ns pulse length,  $\varepsilon_h = 6.3 \pi \text{ mm-mrad}$ ,  $\varepsilon_v = 10.3 \pi \text{ mm-mrad}$ , 800 MeV.
- Target: Pb wire 0.22 mm radius and 8 mm long
- Beam at target: minimum 0.3 mm radius that expands to 0.33 mm at wire end and deposits 11 MeV in the Pb.



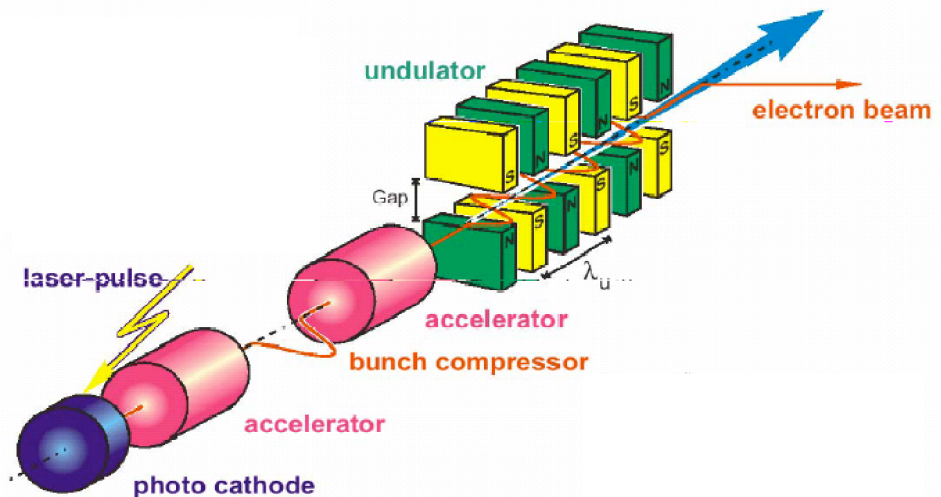
- Energy partitioning
  - Heating and vaporizing wire: 1.1kJ/gr
  - Residual energy for plasma excitation: 2.8 kJ/gr.
- For comparison, proposed SIS-18 experiment has
  - 0.3 mm radius and 3 mm long Pb target
  - Heating and vaporizing wire: 1.1kJ/gr
  - Residual energy for plasma excitation: 3.2 kJ/gr.

The LANSCE user facility operates for 6-8 months per year in 24/7 mode with unmatched versatility worldwide



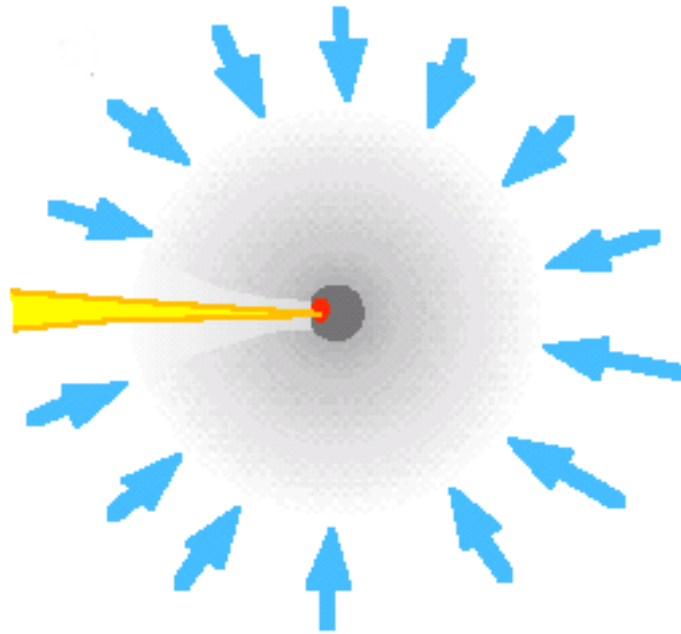
## The LINAC ICF X-Ray source

- **Requirement:** deliver  $\sim 100$  Joule,  $\sim 10$  ps pulse of 3-10 keV photons into 10-20 micron diameter volume
- **Method:** focus synchronized Energy Recovery Linac (ERL) driven wiggler pulses into target volume
- ERLs using laser-driven photocathode (pc) rf guns can easily produce  $\sim 10$  ps electron bunches synchronized to  $\sim 1$  ps.



**R. Tachyn and V. Shlyaptsev: Synchrotron radiation source configurations for the fast x-ray ignition of inertial confinement fusion (ICF) targets: application to WDM heating**

## Fast ignition with X-ray source



X-rays pass through plasma corona, lower density debris and hohlraum walls and deliver energy exactly at the dense compressed core.

- 100% absorption right at the dense spot, highest efficiency,
- no hole boring or cone geometry needed.

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**Roman Tachyn and Shlyaptsev: Synchrotron radiation source configurations**

## The advantages of X-ray fast ignitor approach

- **Almost complete utilization of x-ray source energy for photons in 2-4 Å range, 1-2 orders smaller source energy requirements** as opposed to regular approach to fast ignition which supposed to produce multi-MeV electrons which have small absorption cross-section and pass through dense core almost without interaction.
- **Very directional deposition of heating energy exactly at the dense spot.** The keV x-ray photons are absorbed exactly at high compression core while all other material on the pass are almost completely transparent. Surrounding areas are transparent for x-rays due to  $N^2$  density dependence of absorption coefficient. **No hot electrons, self-focusing and filamentation problems.**
- Both the electron and ion mean free paths in hot spot are much smaller than spot dimension, at 5 keV they are of the order of 100 Å, which means **high locality of x-ray energy deposition** (electron collision time of thermal electrons is very short, less than 10-15 fsec) which assures **high predictability and reliability of modeling of this concept.** The interaction of x-ray radiation with plasma and hydrodynamics remain classical hence simplifying many aspects of physical and numerical models.
- **Potentially high focusability of X-ray source radiation into small focal spot** of required dimensions ~10 microns.
- **All other advantages of fast ignitor concept are valid** (smaller and cheaper laser driver for initial compression, less symmetry constraints, instabilities and turbulences are much less influence).

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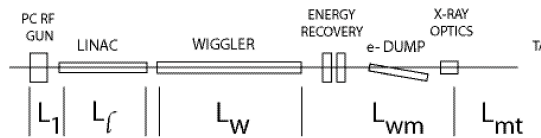
## The X-ray source

- The required energy can be obtained by multiplexing ERLs

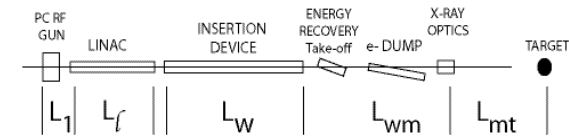
- Extraction-enhanced (tapered) FELs may offer order-of-magnitude higher energy (>5 kJ)

$$N \cong \frac{E_{IG}[J]}{\eta_{FEL} E[GeV] Q_B^2[nC]}$$

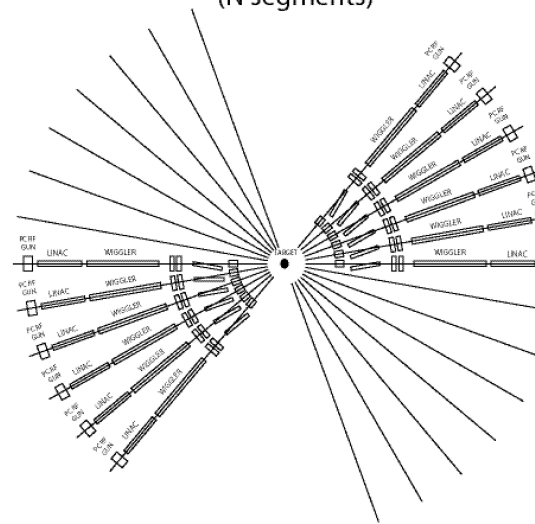
ICF X-RAY IGNITER SEGMENT



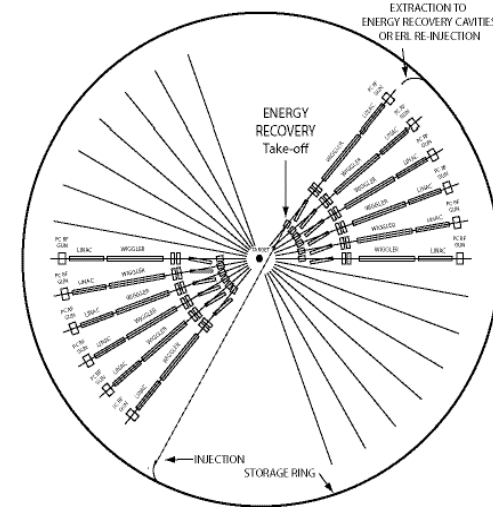
ICF X-RAY IGNITER SEGMENT WITH BEAM TAK-OFF TO BEAM STORAGE



ICF X-RAY IGNITER FACILITY (N segments)



ICF X-RAY IGNITER FACILITY WITH INTERBUNCH BEAM STORAGE FOR ERL EFFICIENCY ENHANCEMENT



# 1. What are the advantages and disadvantages of each method?

## Particle beams

- + Any solid-phase target material (metal or insulator)
- + Probably know beam deposition accurately (1%)
- + beam deposition is  $\sim$  uniform over 1-100 micron depth ( $\sim 1$  MeV/u ions),  $\sim 1$  mm (5 MeV electrons),  $\sim 2$  mm ( $\sim$ GeV ions)
- + Probably beam  $dE/dx$  doesn't change more than 5 % for  $T < 1$  eV
- + Probably produces LTE state in targets, i.e., doesn't heat a minority population of atoms or electrons to high temperature
- + Ion beam itself can be used as diagnostic of WDM (charge state, energy loss)
- + Good synergy with HIF research strategy (for ions)
- + Can be high rep rate
- Existing beams have low total energy, low-moderate power,  $> \text{nsec}$  pulse
- Need to coordinate diagnostics with beam, e.g., timing probe pulses
- ? Plasma effects on sample
- ? Drive shock with ion beam

## Ultra short pulse lasers

- + Very rapid heating
- + Enormous energy-density is easy (low cost)
- + Good diagnostics by pump-probe technique
- + Existing systems do high rep-rate experiments --> data-rich
- + Laser beam can be converted to secondary particles or photons

0 Electrons are heated at different rate than the ions

0 Some materials are too reflective (but if you have enough energy not a problem)

-Deposition is uniform only in ultra thin layer (although some materials have high deposition depths (such as transparent materials)

- Total energy input has fluctuations (but can be calibrated)

- Heating changes absorption in a way that's not a priori known (but total absorbed and reflected energy can be determined)

## Electrical heating with single wires

- + Measure  $I(t)$ ,  $V(t)$  and therefore know the deposited energy
  - + Large samples, low cost; high total energy is no problem
  - Slow heating (microsecond range) due to switching/inductance limits
  - Hydro during heating; current is non-uniform
  - Mainly limited to metals
  - Diagnostic access are difficult
- q For isochoric experiments: Magnetic effects? MHD?  
Runaway electrons in low-density gas? Discharges?
- 0 For expanded state experiments: (low density experiments) not an issue.

## Z-driven pulse power

- + Lots of energy
- + short pulse
- + large volume
- on a large facility with limited access; expensive experiments
- limited rep rate
- dedicated facility (to non-WDM research)

## **X-ray heating (accelerator driven, such as FEL's)**

- + Volumetric heating with small gradients
- + Energy deposition profiling possible; focusing
- In some cases, heating will change the absorption coefficient
- Need to develop technology for integrated experiments (for hard X-rays)

## Ion beam made from laser pulses (Petawatt driven)

+ Abundant energy available

q Will we know the deposited energy to 1%?

-Need big effort to characterize angular spread, energy spread, etc.

- Large energy spread

- Complex targets and/or experiments?

**Main conclusion: No experiment is perfect;  
Comparison of results from various heating  
methods advances the field!!**

## **2. What are the opportunities for collaboration?**

**There were many potential areas of collaboration:**

- 1. Use of Sandia REPP machine has clear potential for testing diagnostics in preparation for shorter pulse machines (such as NDCX).**
- 2. Use of LANL PSR has clear connection to WDM experiments at GSI.**
- 3. Sharing of diagnostics (VISAR, XUV spectroscopy, streak cameas etc.) should be explored (more to be said in Diagnostics working group).**
- 4. GSI/HIFS VNL collaboration on foams**

**Minimum action item: Sequence of near term experiments should be layed out so potential collaborators can determine where collaborations would be fruitful**