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Beam-Induced Effects in Targets and Uncertainties in their Modeling

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Introduction

The consequences of controlled and uncontrolled impacts of high-power highintensity beams on components of targets, accelerators, beamlines, collimators/absorbers, detectors, shielding and environment can range from minor to catastrophic.

Capabilities and uncertainties of modern simulation codes used to study these impacts are discussed in this talk.

Materials Under Irradiation

Depending on material, level of energy deposition density and its time structure, one can face a variety of effects in materials under irradiation.

This talk is a brief overview of the following ones:

- Thermal shocks and quasi-instantaneous damage
- Insulation property deterioration due to dose buildup
- Radiation damage to inorganic materials due to atomic displacements and helium production.



Thermal Shock

Short pulses with energy deposition density EDD in the range from 200 J/g (W), 600 J/g (Cu), ~1 kJ/g (Ni, Inconel) to ~15 kJ/g: thermal shocks resulting in fast ablation and slower structural changes.



FNAL pbar production target under 120-GeV p-beam (3e12 ppp, $\sigma \sim$ 0.2 mm)

<u>MARS simulations</u> <u>explained target</u> <u>damage, reduction of</u> <u>pbar yield and justified</u> <u>better target materials</u>



Tevatron Collimator Damage in 2003

Hole in 5-mm W 25-cm groove in SS J/g 1000 900 800 700 600 500 400 300 200 100 0.75 0.5 y (cm) 0.2 0.25 7 (cm) 0.05 0.1 0.25 0

Detailed modeling of dynamics of beam loss (STRUCT), energy deposition (MARS) and time evolution over 1.6 ms of the tungsten collimator ablation, <u>fully</u> <u>explained what happened</u>.



Figure 7: Evolution of the front and back surfaces of the collimator plate at $t = 0.4_{[1]} - 1.6_{[7]} ms$ with $\Delta t=0.2$ ms.

980-GeV p-beam

Hydrodynamics in Solid Materials

Pulses with EDD >15 kJ/g: hydrodynamic regime. First done for the $300-\mu s$, 400-MJ, 20-TeV proton beams for the SSC graphite beam dump, steel collimators and tunnel-surrounding Austin Chalk by SSC-LANL Collaboration (D. Wilson, ..., N. Mokhov, PAC93, p. 3090). Combining MARS ED calculations at each time step for a fresh material state and MESA/SPHINX hydrodynamics codes.





These days we use MARS+FRONTIER. <u>Tools are in hands</u> fo

Interaction of Radiation with Organic Materials



Reaction of free radicals A. Idesaki

Crosslinking Chain scission Formation of unsaturated bonds (C=C, etc.) Oxidation (under presence of oxygen) Gas evolution

Change of molecular structure

Modification

Degradation

- Irradiation temperature
- Irradiation atmosphere (presence of oxygen)
- Additives

Dose Limits in Insulators

Epoxy, CE/epoxy resins and G11 10% degradation of ultimate tensile strength; Electrical resistivity

Common limit is 25 to 40 MGy

Some projects aim at allowable dose of 10 MGy Mu2e: 7 MGy

Related: peak power density over SC cable width for quench stability

Energy Deposition Modeling: Highly Accurate



Effects of N+N $\rightarrow \pi$ +d and π +(NN) \rightarrow N+N $\sigma(abs)=P(A)\sigma(\pi$ +d)





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Nuclide Production





Measured at GSI and calculated with FLUKA, MARS15 and SHIELD codes activities in a copper target irradiated with a 500 MeV/A uranium beam

DPA Model in MARS15

$$\sigma_d(E) = \int_{T_d}^{T_{\text{max}}} \frac{d\sigma(E,T)}{dT} v(T) dT$$

NRT damage function:

 $v(T) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & (T < T_d) \\ 1 & (T_d \le T < 2.5T_d) \\ k(T) E_d / 2T_d & (2.5T_d \le T) \end{bmatrix}$

T_d is displacement energy (~40 eV) E_d is damage energy (~keV) Energy-dependent displacement efficiency k(T) by Stoller/Smirnov: All products of elastic and inelastic nuclear interactions as well as Coulomb elastic scattering (NIEL) of transported charged particles (hadrons, electrons, muons and heavy ions) from 1 keV to 10 TeV contribute to DPA in this model. For electromagnetic elastic (Coulomb) scattering, Rutherford cross section with Mott corrections and nuclear form factors

are used.



DPA is the most universal way to characterize the impact of irradiation on inorganic materials



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Medium- and Low-E Neutron DPA Model in MARS15 and Optional Correction at Cryo Temperatures

T = 4-6 K



Code Capabilities in DPA Modeling

- Electron and heavy-ion beams: in most cases, DPA is dominated by electronic energy loss of a primary beam; FLUKA/MARS/PHITS/SRIM are doing quite well here.
- Neutrons at E < 150 MeV: Point defects; ENDF/NJOY damage x-section libraries & processing - OK.
- 3. Protons: low and medium energies: (1) and (2) OK.
- 4. <u>High-energy hadrons and heavy ions</u>: nuclear interaction model dependent; most difficult, certainly in targets; mixed (1) and (2) regimes; FLUKA/MARS can be OK even at very high energies.

DPA Code Intercomparision



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Minimal proton transport cutoff energy in MARS is 1 keV

150-mm HLumi LHC IT-CP-D1



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7×7 TeV pp-collisions



Hydrogen and Helium Gas Production

At accelerators, radiation damage to structural materials is amplified by increased hydrogen and helium gas production for high-energy beams. In SNS-type beam windows, the ratio of He/atom to DPA is about 500 of that in fission reactors. These gases can lead to grain boundary embrittlement and accelerated swelling. In modern codes at intermediate energies, uncertainties on production

of hydrogen are ~20%. For helium these could be up to 50%.



C. Broeders, A. Konobeyev, FZKA 7197 (2006)



D. Hilscher et al., J.Nucl.Mat, 296(2001)83

Uncertainties in Simulations

- Particle production in high-energy nuclear interactions: ~20% in most cases.
- Nuclide production: 30-50% typically; Hydrogen gas production <20%; Helium gas production <50%.
- Energy deposition effects (instantaneous and accumulated): 10-15%.
- DPA calculations by the latest versions of FLUKA, MARS15 and PHITS codes coincide within 15-20%.
- Beam loss generation and collimation: quite good in FLUKA and MARS15 (Tevatron, J-PARC, LHC).
- Radiological issues (prompt and residual): a factor of 2 for most radiation values if all details of geometry, materials composition and source term are taken into account.

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Simulation Challenges

- DPA industry standard NRT and state-of-the-art BCA-MD differ by a factor of 2 to 3 in some cases. Corrections applied to NRT can fix this. Should we all use these corrections coherently? Meanwhile, MARS will provide two sets of DPA: pure NRT and MD or/and experiment corrected values.
- For neutrons below 150 MeV, MARS15 optionally uses defect production efficiency measured for 24 elements at 4-6K. DPA in SC coils calculated with it at 4.2K is 80% lower than that without this correction. Should we use it in Mu2e, COMET and HiLumi LHC superconducting magnet designs?
- Move from occasional comparisons of calculated radiation-damage related quantities to a comprehensive code intercomparison with "standardized" DPA models and well defined irradiation conditions including temperature, dose rate, H₂/He gas production, etc.

• Link of calculated quantities (DPA, dose, fluence etc.) to observable changes in critical properties of materials remains on the top of the wish-list. Mission impossible?

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Data Needs & Further Simulation Challenges

- Well-thought experiments covering various regions of the parameter space - are extremely desirable, including measurements with charged particle beams, their relation to neutron data and degradation measurements at cryogenic temperatures.
- · Annealed versus non-annealed defects.
- Low-energy neutron DPA in compounds.
- Standardized approach to modeling of soft errors (e.g., SEU) in electronics, certainly at high-energy accelerators and spacecrafts.