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# Challenges for High-Intensity Proton Accelerators and Long-Term Experimental R&D

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# The 1% Regime

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- Very small fractions of particle beams will establish the performance limits of future high-power accelerators.

$$P = L_T / \chi$$

- Where  $L_T$  is the tolerable loss power, and  $\chi$  is the fractional loss

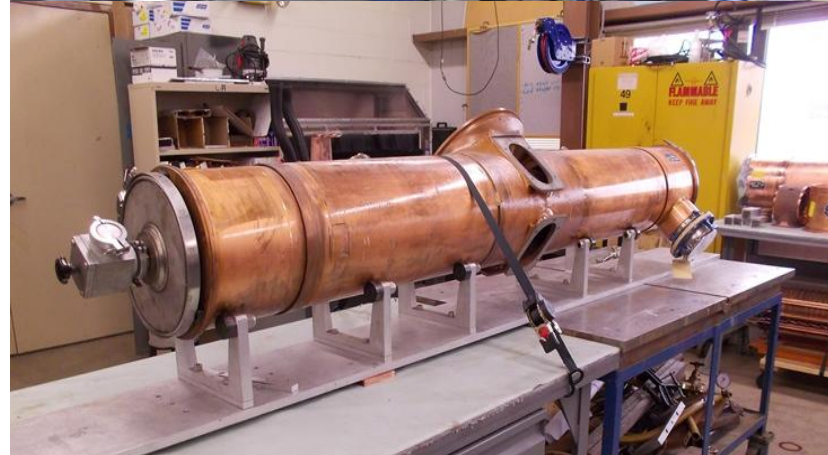
Replaces the conventional power equation:

$$P = E \times I$$

- Approaches to higher energy and current are only acceptable if losses are reduced proportionally (or controlled adequately)
  - Example: Fermilab Main Injector is required to be 95% efficient for 700 kW operation, 1.2 MW under PIP-II will require 97%
- No longer can we focus on conventional instabilities which lead to catastrophic losses
  - Instead, confront the weaker, slower process that lead to small fractional losses, emittance growth, or halo formation

# Loss Tolerance – 1 W/m ?

- Need to move beyond 1 W/m as benchmark
  - Leads to ~ 100 mrad/hr. with extended running
- Consider a “hands-on maintenance” job of refurbishing the 19 Booster RF cavities
  - Strip-down and rebuilding requires 100s of hours, many of which are in close contact with cavity
  - 10 mrad/hr. is uncomfortably hot
- **Conclusion:** Many critical devices need to have targets of  $\leq 0.1$  W/m
- **Note:** 1 W/m has only come out to a reasonable, overall, limit where much of the loss is confined to local, hardened areas such as collimators and absorbers.



# Looming Issues (not exhaustive)

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- Accumulating and manipulating high-intensity beams
  - Stacking and acceleration schemes
- Collective effects
  - Instabilities such as resistive wall and ECloud
- Loss / radiation control
  - High efficiency and loss mitigation
- Accelerator instrumentation and measurements at high beam intensities
  - Problem of reliably measuring beam properties at high intensity
- Devices and techniques to address loss mechanisms
  - Instability suppression, space charge compensation, injection and extraction schemes.

# Selected Challenges to Higher Intensity

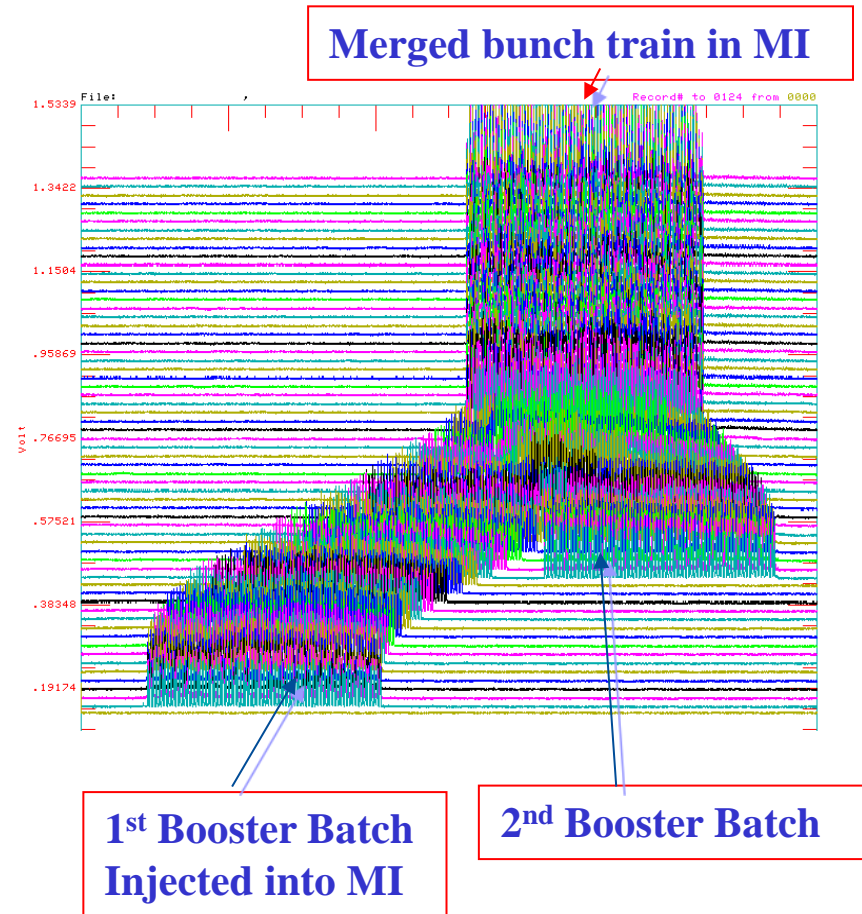
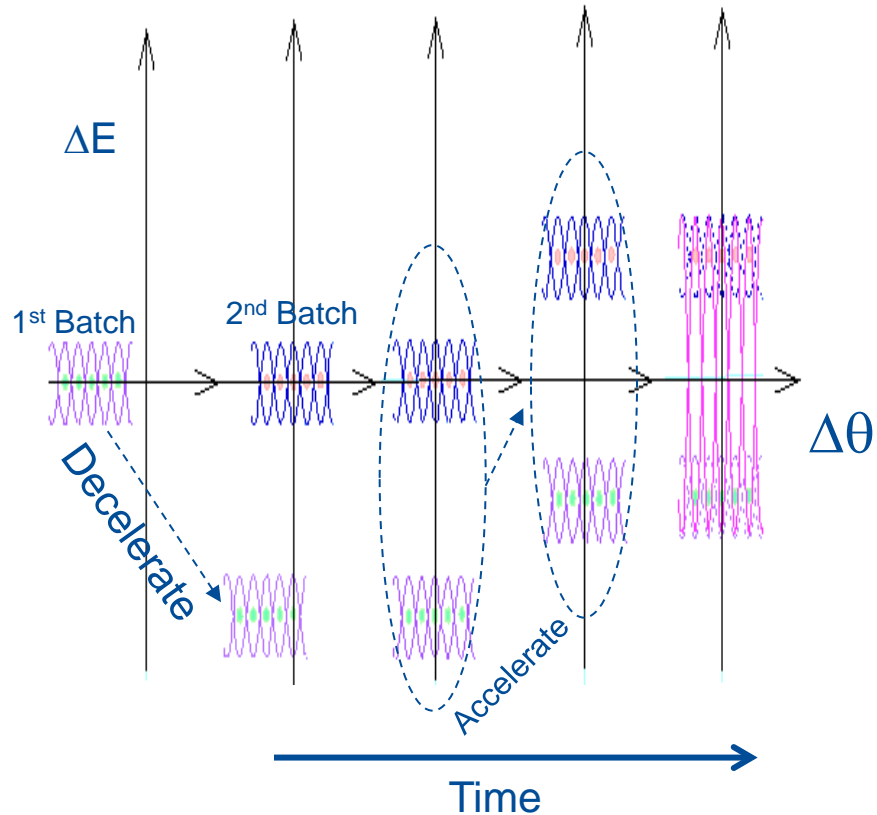
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- Slip-Stacking
  - Technique to double beam current
- Electron Cloud
  - Instability and potential loss mechanism
- H<sup>-</sup> Notching, Chopping , & Injection
  - Techniques for beam accumulation and patterning, as well as loss reduction

There are numerous others topics throughout the accelerator chains

# Slip-Stacking

- Merge two booster batches through RF manipulations



➤ **Doubles the azimuthal charge**

# Slip-Stacking

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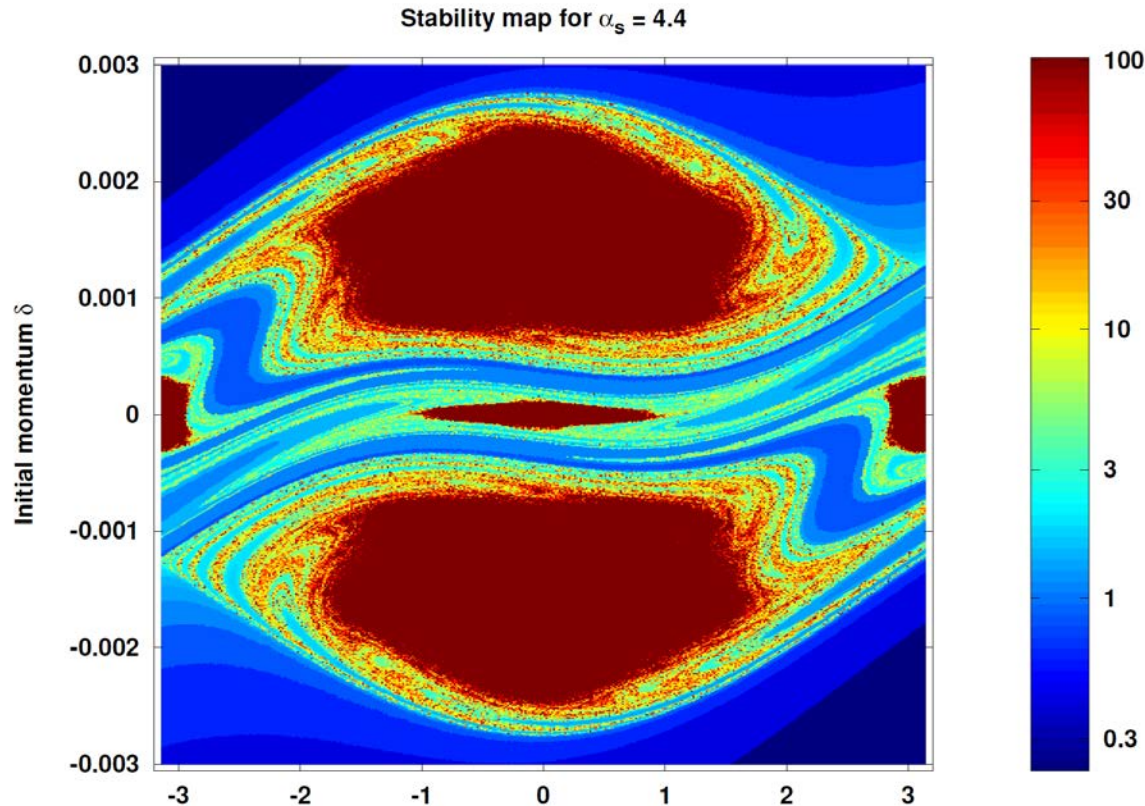
- While the basic idea is straightforward, there are numerous complications
  - Described by a time-dependent Hamiltonian

$$H = \pi f_{rev} h \eta \delta_A^2 + f_{rev} V_\delta \cos(\phi_A) \cos\left(\frac{\omega_\phi t}{2}\right)$$

- Beam loading in cavities
  - Further distorts buckets
- Inability to damp overlapping buckets
  - Chromaticity must be held large to avoid coherent instability
- Large momentum spread of beam while slipping
  - Significant usage of aperture
  - Transverse resonances are encroached upon (via chromaticity)

# Slip-Stacking

- RF buckets are strongly deformed by the presence of a second frequency
  - Stable phase space is chaotic
  - Loss can be slow
- Challenges:
  - Maximizing the stable phase space
  - Minimizing the incoming beam emittance
  - Matching the shape of the beam to that of the bucket
- Collaboration with Indiana (PhD student)





# Slip-Stacking

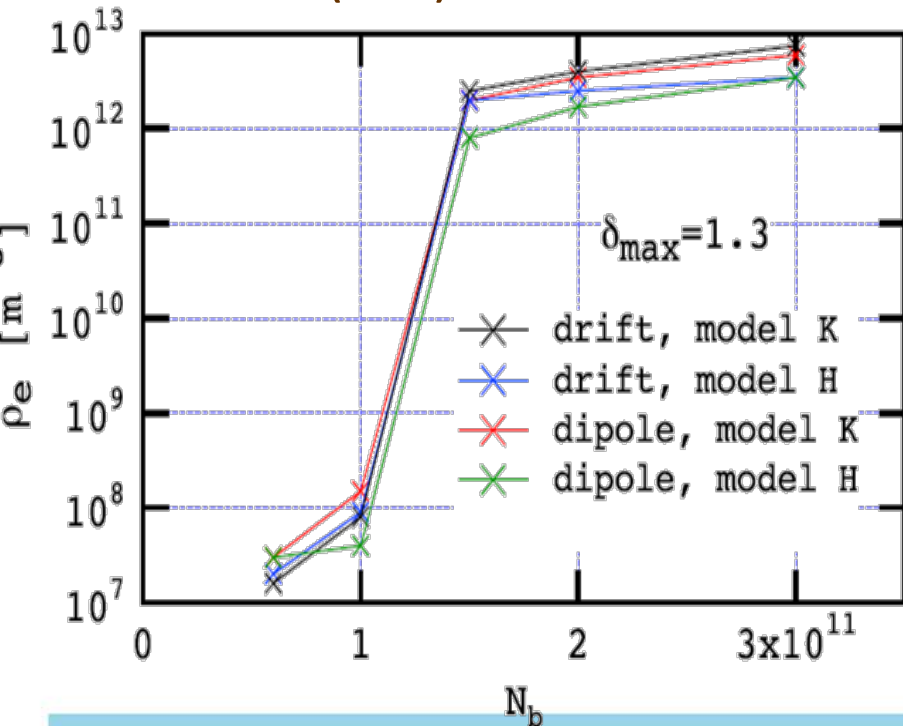
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- Slip-Stacking is central to near-term operations
  - Doubles the beam current by exploiting the large longitudinal acceptance of the Recycler and Main Injector
  - Vital to 700 kW for NOvA; also vital for 1.2 MW with PIP-II
- Slip-stacking losses will limit beam power
  - Losses must be kept  $< 5\%$  for 700 kW in immediate future
  - Kept to  $< 3\%$  for PIP-II
- Major (expensive) question is whether slip-stacking is acceptable for later upgrades
  - Trade-off of slip-stacking losses vs. doubled beam current in the previous synchrotron
  - R&D now into the process will inform this future decision, and also guide near-term program for upgradeability

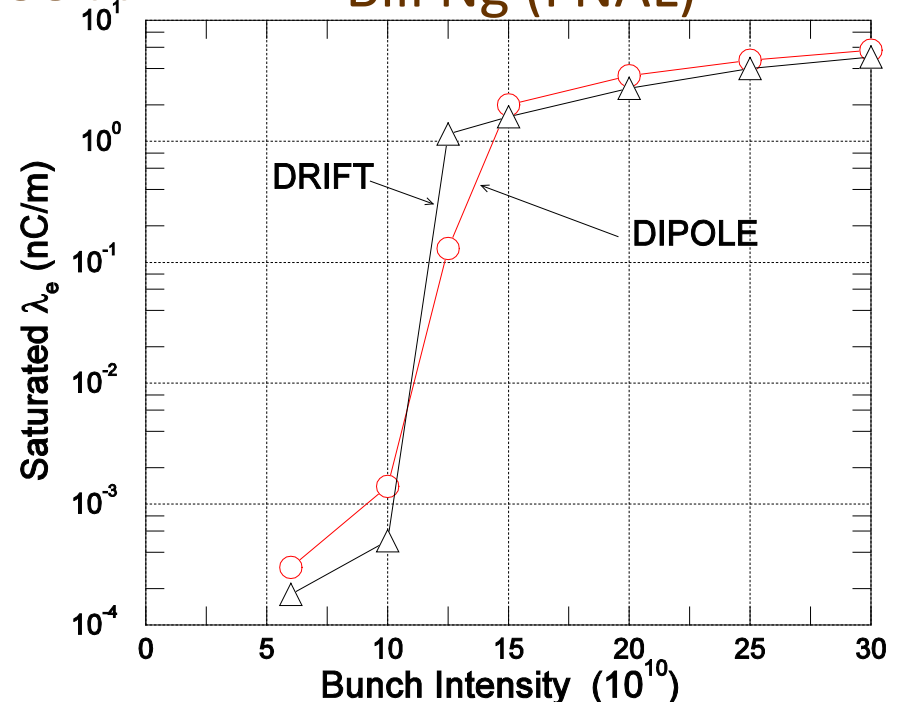
# Electron Cloud at Fermilab

- Early simulations suggested that the Main Injector may be near a threshold for electron cloud formation
  - Above a certain intensity level, a catastrophic number of free electrons may be created and distort the beam
- Recent operation with the Recycler has been suggestive of an electron cloud forcing a strong horizontal instability

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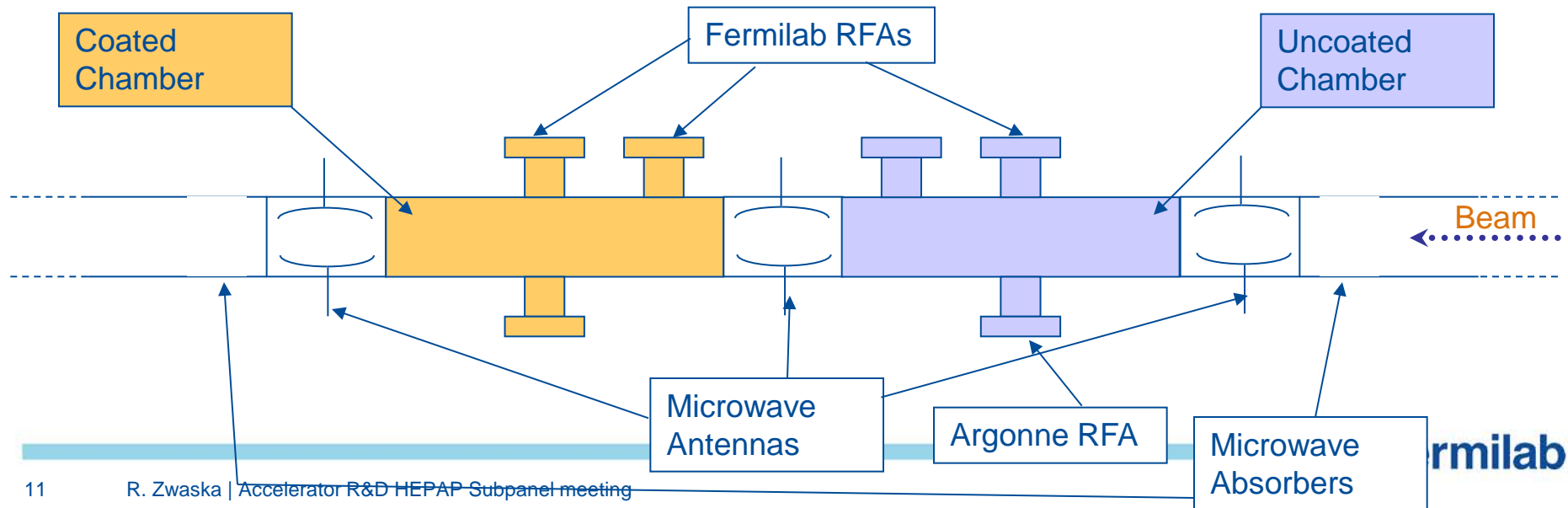
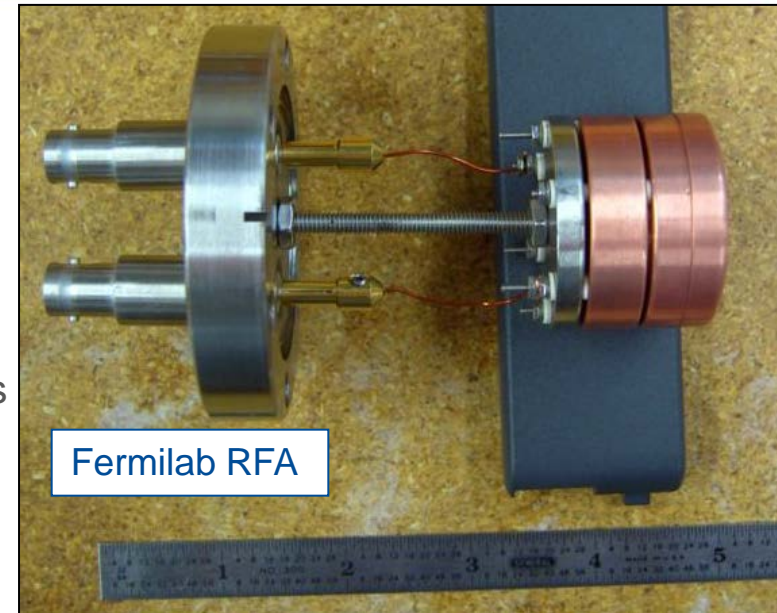
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# Electron Cloud Experimental Station

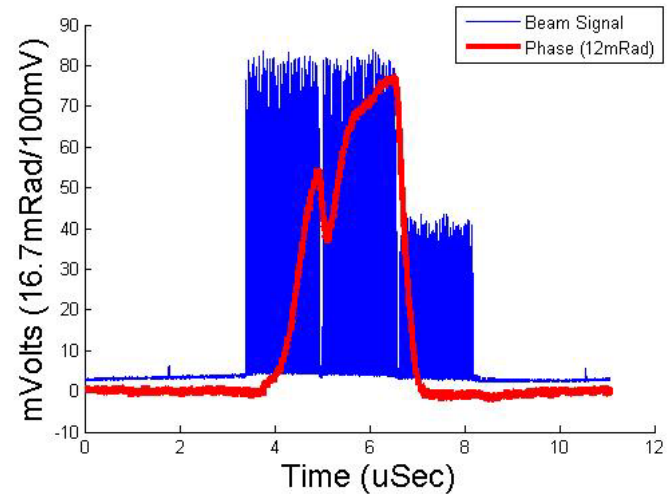
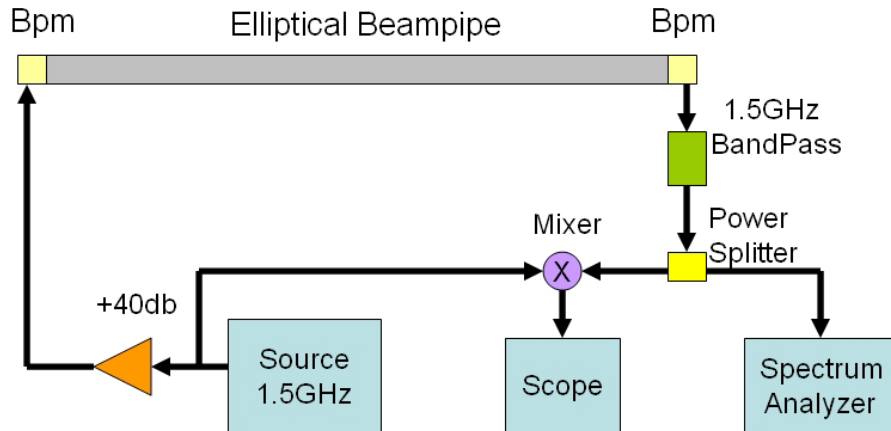
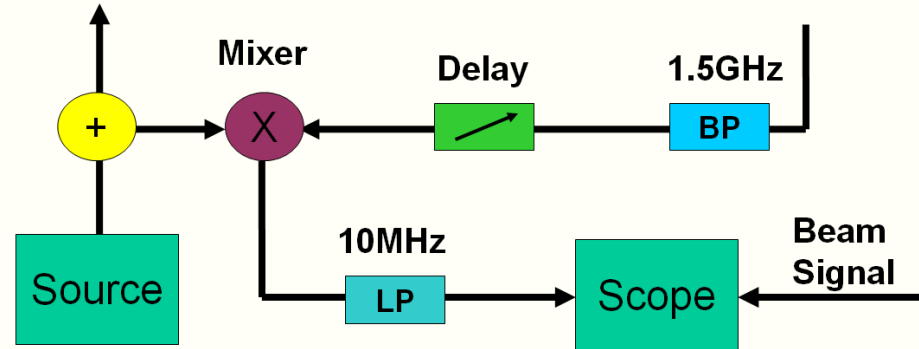
## Upgraded Station in Main Injector:

- 2 experimental Chambers (coated and SS)
  - Test coating for ECloud suppression
- 3 Fermilab and 1 Argonne RFA
  - Retarding Field Analyzers
  - Directly measure electron flux
- 3 microwave antennas and 2 absorbers
  - Measure ECloud density by phase delay of microwaves
- Testing multiple chambers:
  - TiN,  $\alpha$ -C (CERN): Complete
  - DLC (KEK): Underway
  - Graphite (KEK): Planned



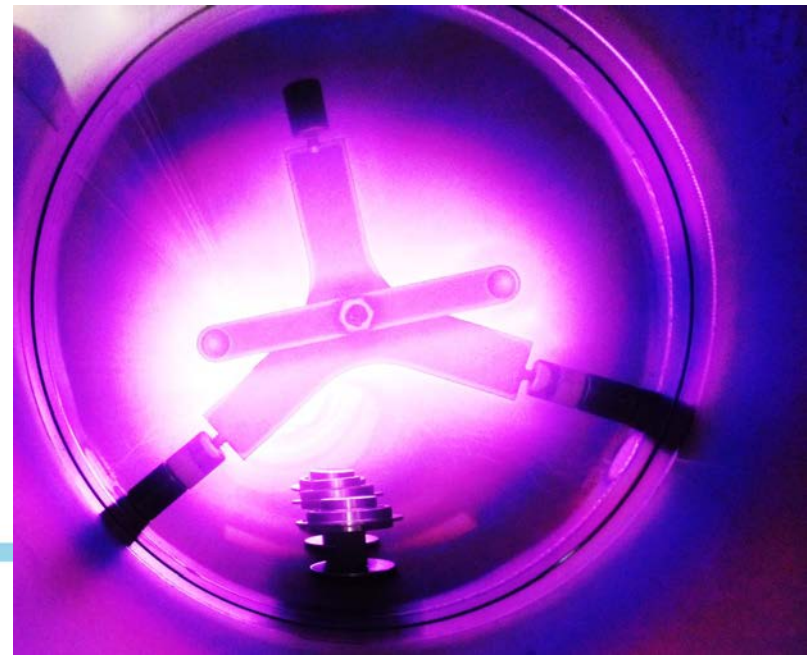
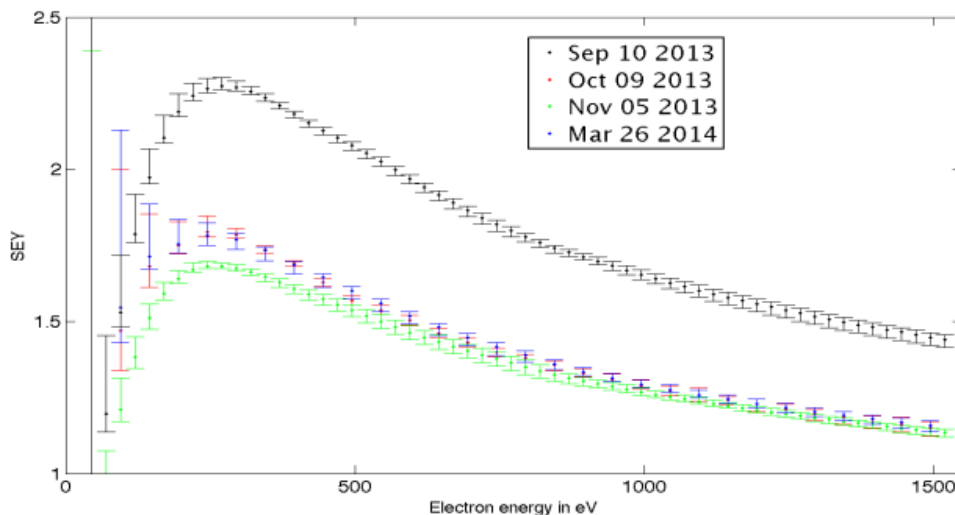
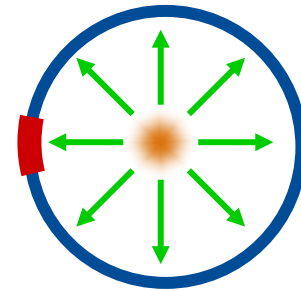
# Microwave Measurements

- Electron cloud causes a phase modulation of microwave traversing beam pipe
- Sideband and direct phase measurements
- Allows measurement in dipole sections
- Techniques needed to control measurement region and absolutely calibrate measurement



# Direct SEY Measurement

- SEY measurement station from Cornell, adapted from SLAC
  - Allows in situ measurement of SEY on samples
- Place sample “buttons” of materials as portion of beampipe circumference
- Directly measure the SEY of the sample
- Comparison between conditioning in electron/positron ring and our proton ring
- Beam irradiation “scrubs” the surfaces
  - Ultimate SEY is an open question
- Newly coated TiN will be installed in FY15
- IIT working on coatings & SEY measurements (Prof, PhD student, NSF)



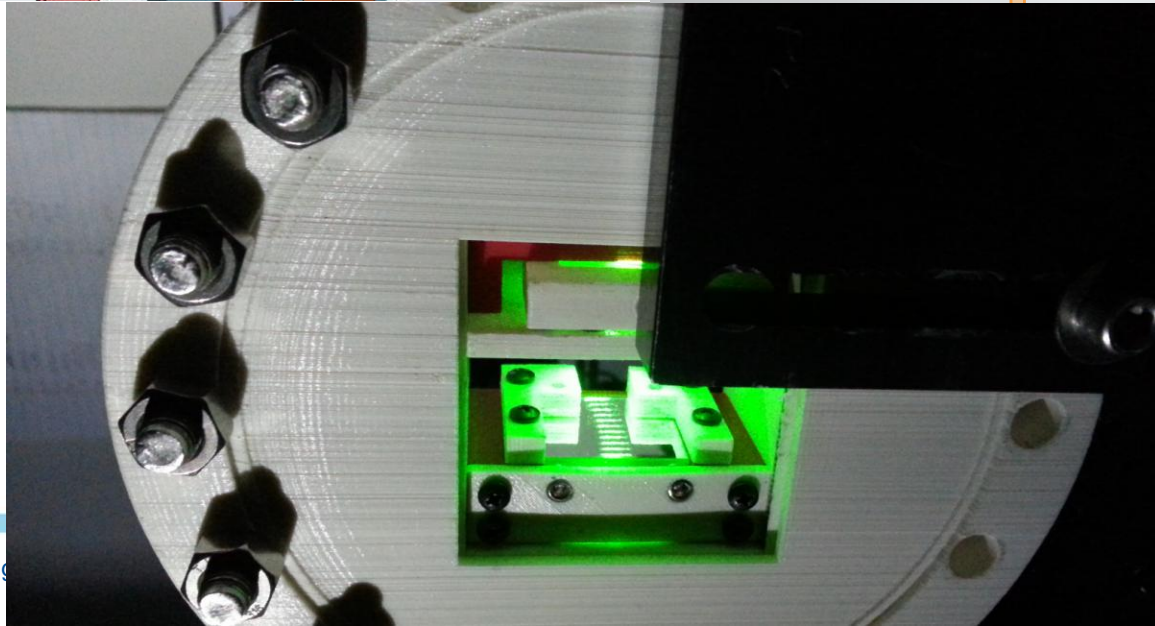
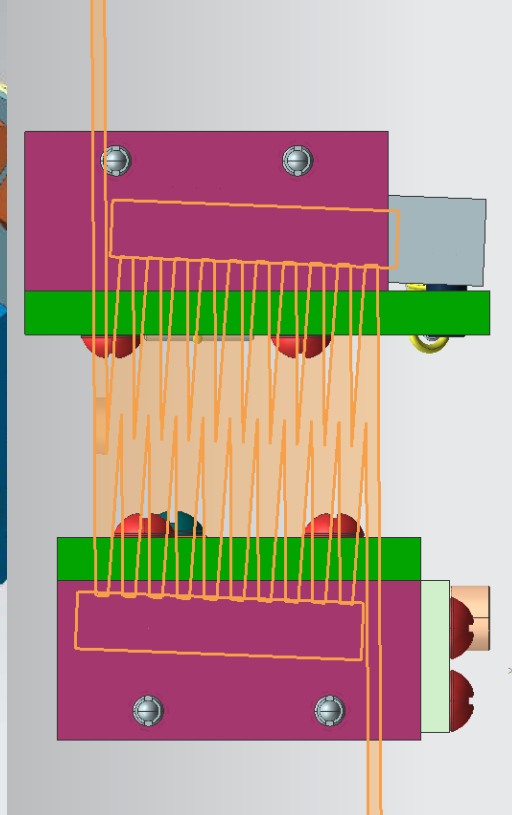
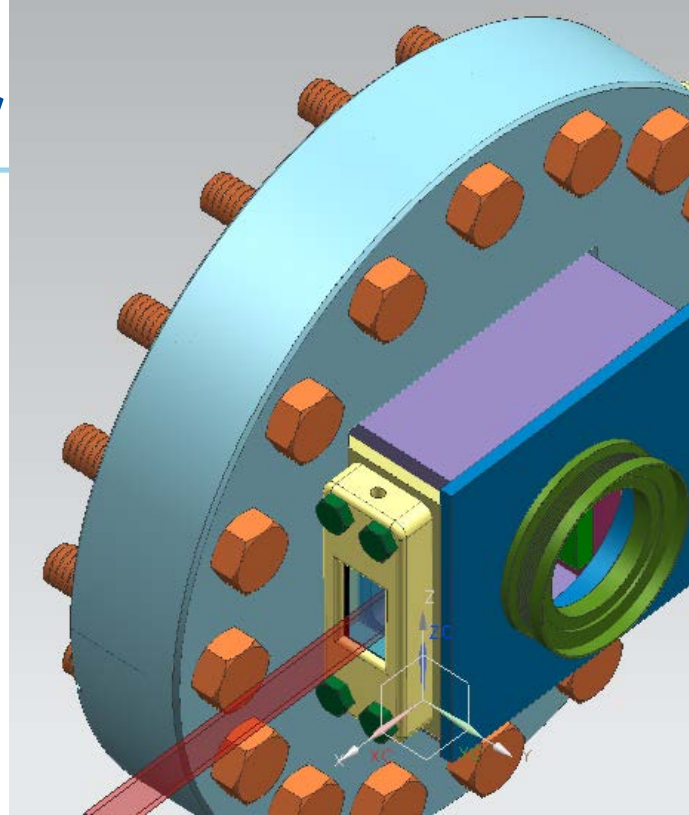
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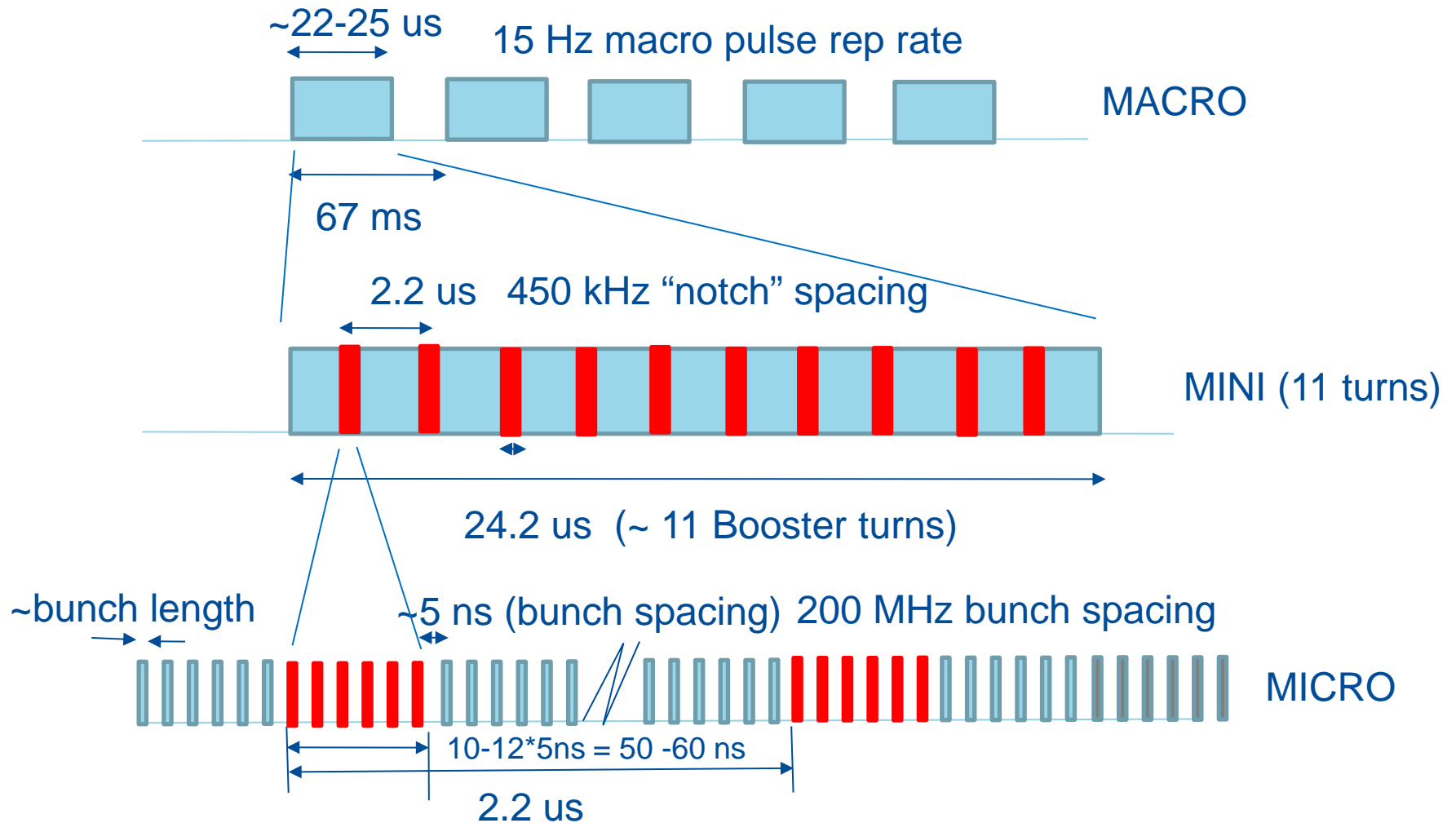
- Develop tools to understand Electron Cloud for PIP-II and other future accelerators
  - LHC, ILC, future proton machine, light sources
- Measurements in existing machines
  - Understand the cloud as it exists
  - Install experimental sections (specifically within magnets)
- Develop Instrumentation
- Develop Mitigation
- Develop Models of beam instability

# Laser Notcher

- Neutralize a portion of the Linac beam with a pulsed laser
  - Form a “notch” within the Booster without kickers
  - Remove the majority of the loss from the Booster entirely
  
- Atypical laser
  - Multiple timescales
  - High-pulse power
  - Moderate average power (few W)

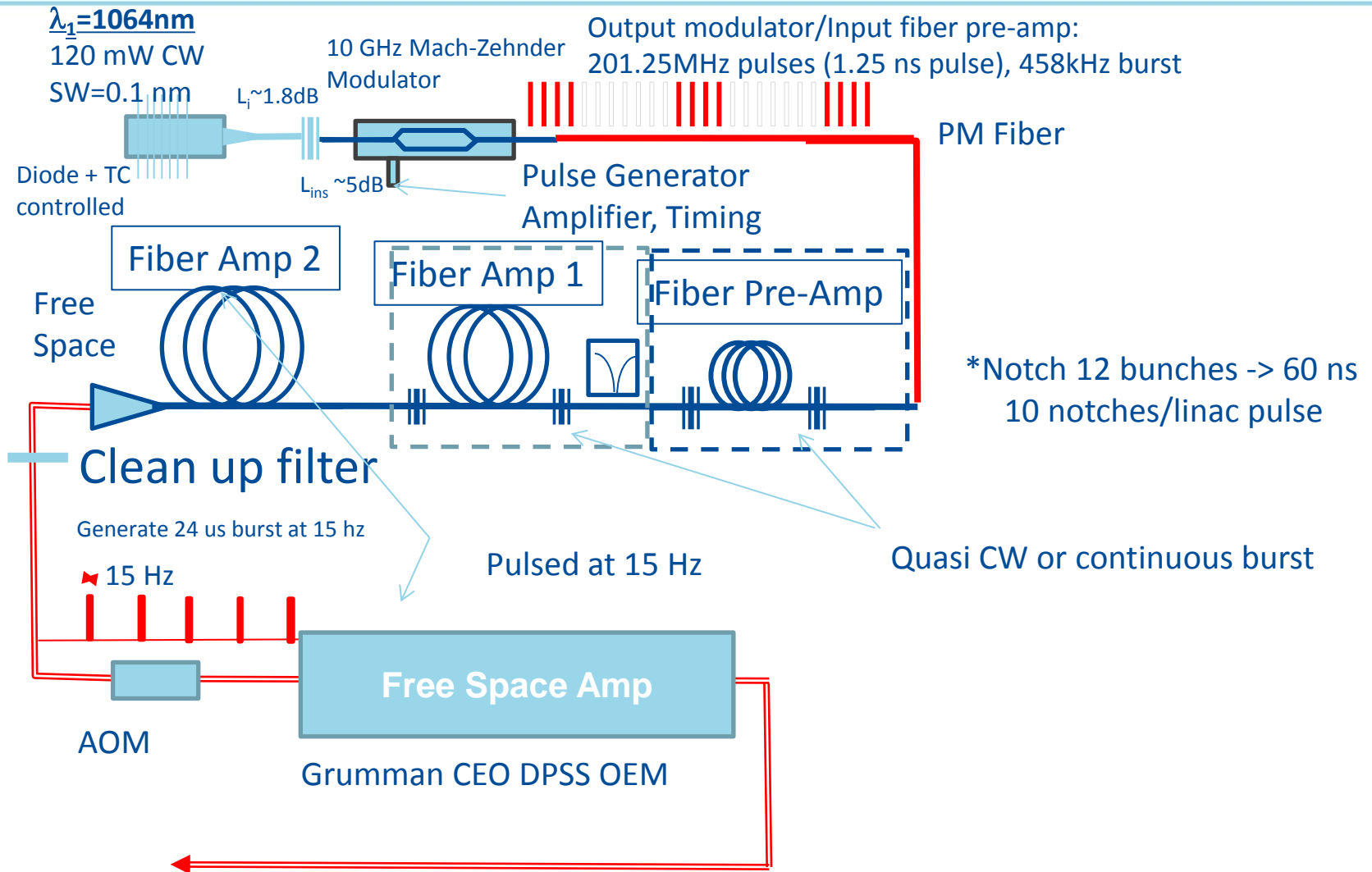


# Linac Beam Bunch Structure





# Laser system outline



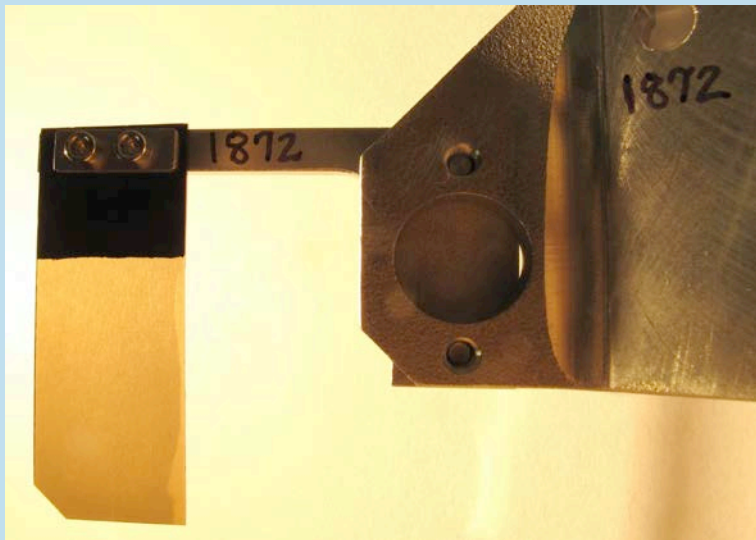
## TRANSPORT BEAM SHAPING OPTICS & OPTICAL CAVITY

# H<sup>-</sup> Laser Stripping

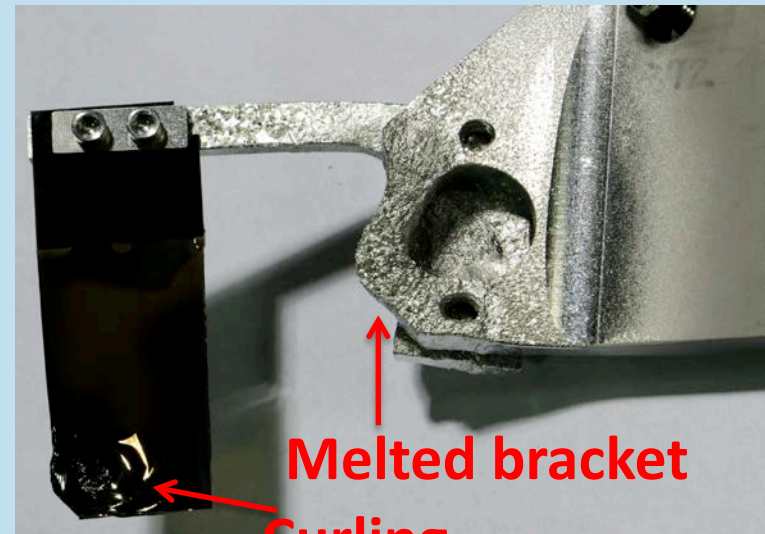
- Injection foils may not survive in beam powers  $>1.5$  MW.
- Seeing *many* cases of foil damage at SNS – curling, tears, melting brackets, etc.
- Damage increasing exponentially with higher beam power.
- Due to injection beam loss, SNS injection region is hottest area in accelerator ( $\sim 800$  mrem @ 30 cm).

2014 SNS foil: 3 months in 1 – 1.4 MW beam

**Before**



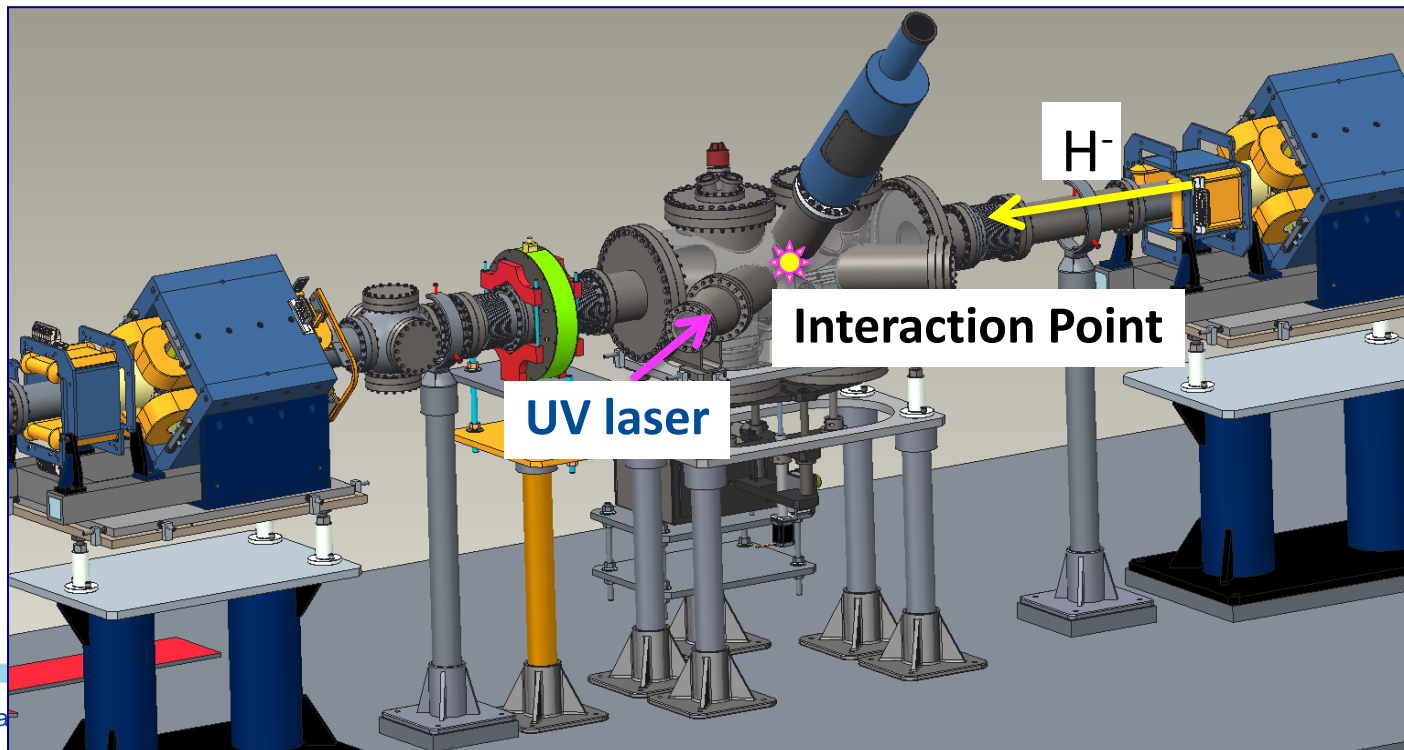
**After**



# 10 us Laser-Assisted H<sup>-</sup> Stripping Demonstration

- Preparations underway for 2016 demonstration of H<sup>-</sup> laser-assisted stripping of a 10 us, 1 GeV H<sup>-</sup> beam at SNS (*S. Cousineau et al.*).
- Parallel lab-based effort to develop a laser power recycling cavity for future stripping of ~1 ms pulse.
- Eventual plans to mature system to HEP operational needs – injection painting, etc.

## Final Design of Experimental Station



# H<sup>-</sup> Injection, Chopping, Notching, ...

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- The **notching** system acts as a prototype for future laser H<sup>-</sup> devices
  - We develop and implement laser technology matched to a Linac beam structure
  - Gain long-term operational experience in an accelerator environment
- **Chopping:**
  - A higher duty-factor neutralization scheme for a Linac to produce arbitrary chopping of bunches, including intensity modulation
- **Stripping Injection:**
  - Replacement of foil systems with a laser ionization system. Requires higher energy and power laser.
- Beam “**sculpting**”
  - Selective neutralization and/or ionization of H<sup>-</sup> beam to customize the beam parameters
    - E.g. collimation, beam-splitting, selection of the core, space-charge matched distributions

# Achieving 99.9% Occupancy

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- High-power and low-loss are different sides of the same coin
- Every small fraction of the beam must be watched, cared for, and carefully discarded (if necessary)
- Achieving low-loss requires new instrumentation, devices, techniques, measurement strategies, theories, simulations...
- Existing machines are an ideal place to test and demonstrate these approaches in realistic conditions

# Recommended GARD thrusts

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1. High-field magnets and materials
2. Multi-MW beams and targets
3. Cost-Effective SRF Technology
4. Advanced Accelerator Concepts
5. Accelerator Science, Modeling & Design
6. Core Accelerator Competencies

# GARD Thrusts: Rationale and Goals

## 1. High-field magnets and materials

- Far-term; maintain US leadership in SC magnets; Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn, HiTc
- Significant T\*m cost reduction, modest support of global design

## 2. Novel techniques for multi-MW beams and targets

PIP-II

Beyond PIP-II

	1st 10 years	2nd 10 years		
To Achieve :	100 kT-MW-year	500 kT-MW-year		
We combine :		Option 1	Option 2	Option 3
Mass	10 kT	50 kT	20 kT	10 kT
Power	1 MW	1 MW	2.5 MW	5 MW
Time	10 years	10 years	10 years	10 years

- Mid-term strategy after PIP-II depends on the technical feasibility of each option and the analysis of **costs/kiloton versus costs/MW**
- R&D needed on effective control of beam losses in proton rings with significantly higher currents ( $Q_{SC}$ ) and on multi-MW targets