

Indian Programme on the Development of Neutron Sources for ADS

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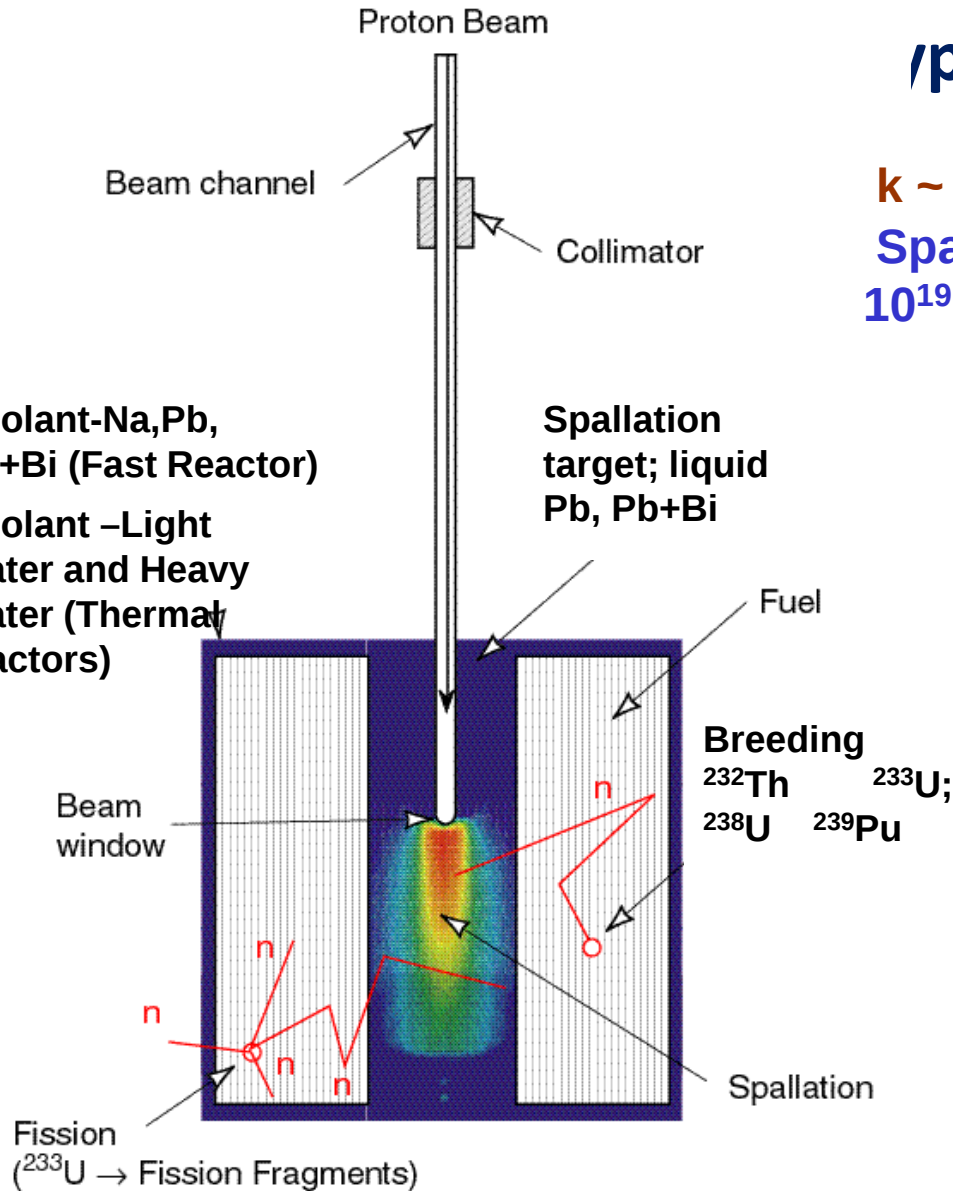
Typical ADS Reactor

$k \sim 0.95$ to 0.98

Spallation Neutrons $\sim 10^{18}$ - 10^{19} per second

Coolant-Na,Pb,
Pb+Bi (Fast Reactor)

Coolant -Light
Water and Heavy
Water (Thermal
reactors)



-Inherent safety

-Transmutation of Nuclear Waste

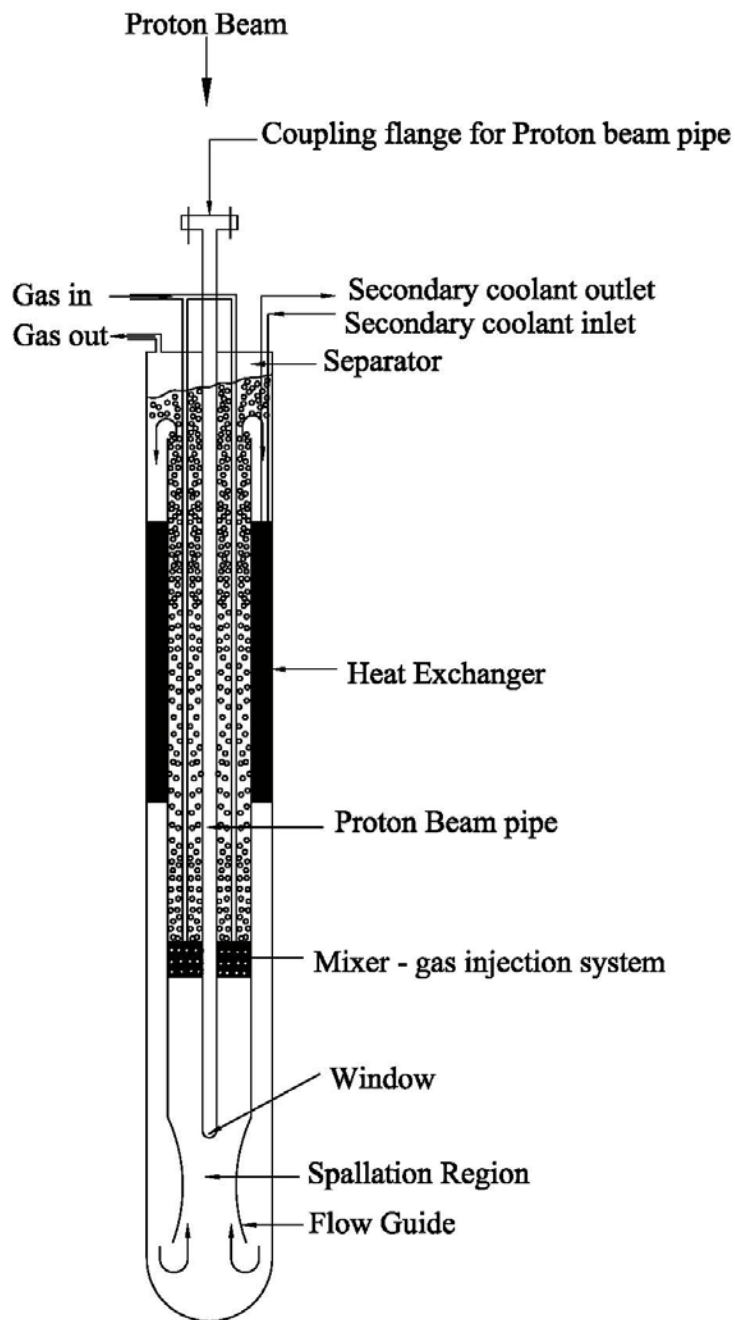
-Utilization of Thorium

-High Resistance to Proliferation

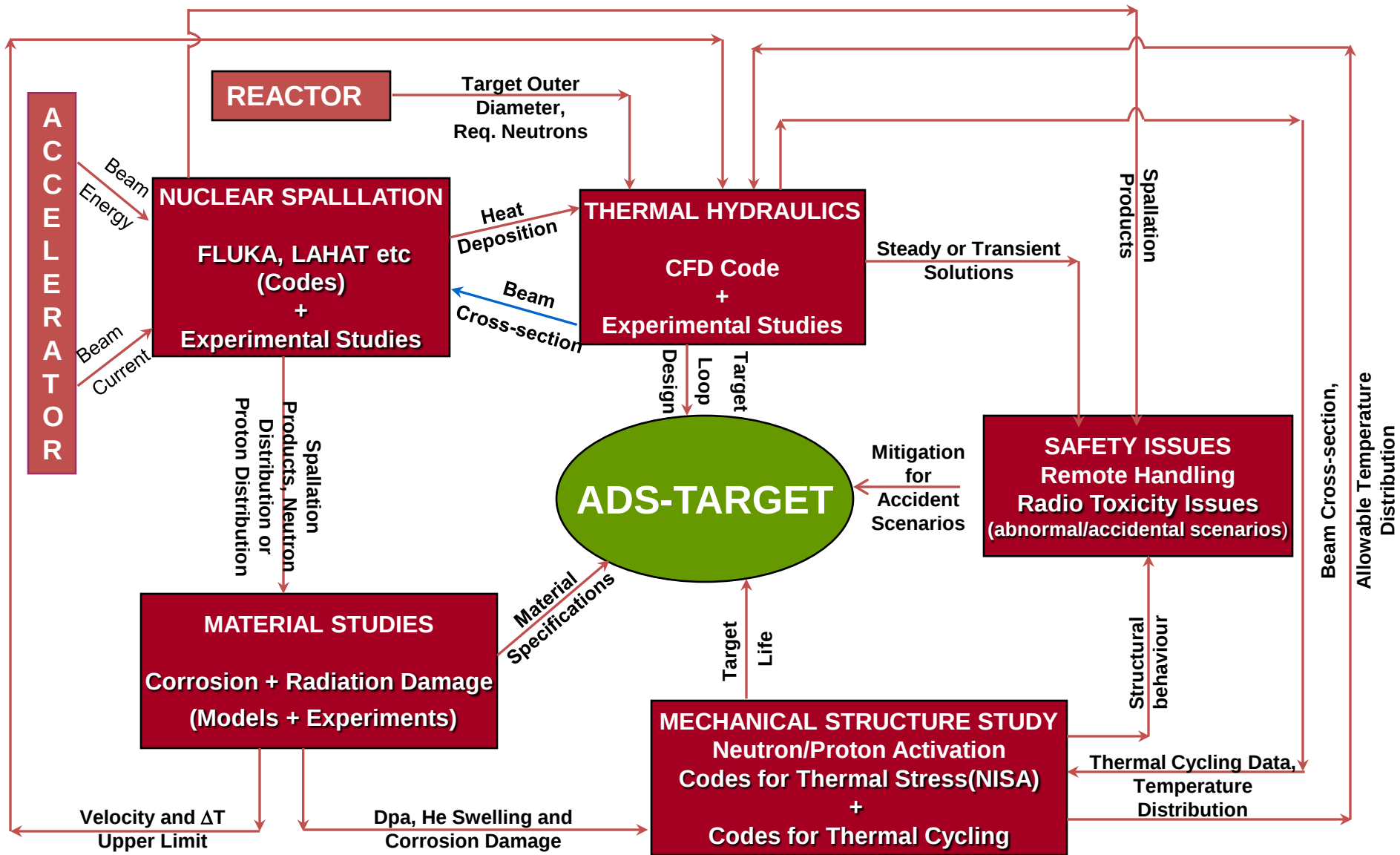
Why Liquid Target?

- Very High Heat Deposition Density by proton beam
~ kW/cm³
- Very High Radiation Damage ~100 DPA or more/year
 - Embrittlement
 - Irradiation Creep
 - Void Swelling
 - Hydrogen Generation
 - Helium Generation
 - Transmutation

Solution for both these issues – Use circulating liquid target



Typical Gas Driven Liquid Metal LBE (Lead-Bismuth-Eutectic) Neutron Spallation Target Module



ADS TARGET DEVELOPMENT

INTER-LINKED TECHNOLOGY ISSUES

Indian R&D Road Map for Liquid Metal Spallation Target development

- 1) **Setting up of Multiple Liquid metal Experimental facilities for R&D Studies**
 - Thermal-hydraulic simulation
 - Gas driven circulation (two-phase flow studies)
 - Component development
 - Diagnostic development
 - Design codes validation
 - Corrosion studies and mitigation technologies
- 2) **Development of design codes and analysis using existing codes (FLUKA-High energy Particle code by CERN, 3D CFD codes, Two-phase flows, etc)**
- 3) **Experimental Facilities for Coupling of Target module with proton beam**
- 4) **Setting up of demo ADS reactor**



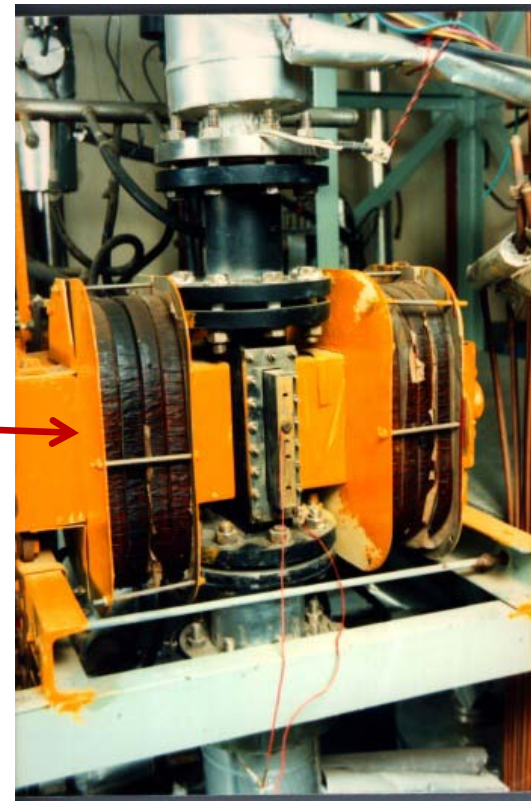
Mercury-MHD Experimental Facility –BARC

Height – 6m

Inventory – 1.5 t

Mercury Flow Rate – 60 kg/s

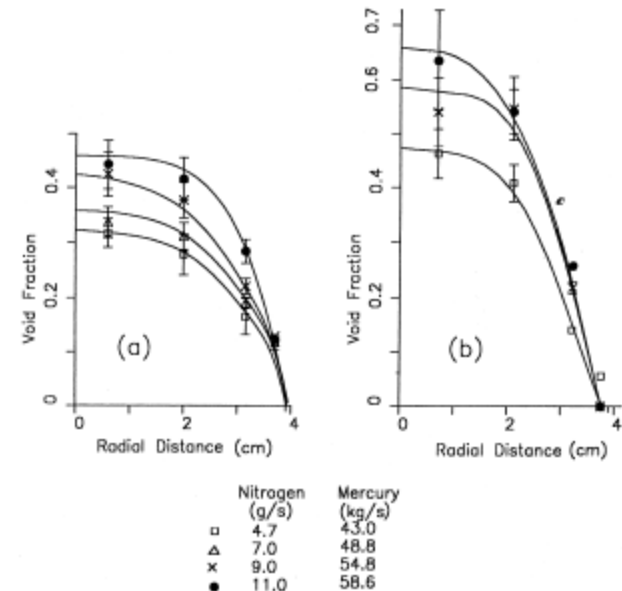
Magnetic Field – 1T





Gamma ray void fraction measurement systems

Parallel and Rotational Single Beam Scanning Gamma Ray System (^{60}Co of 50 mCi)



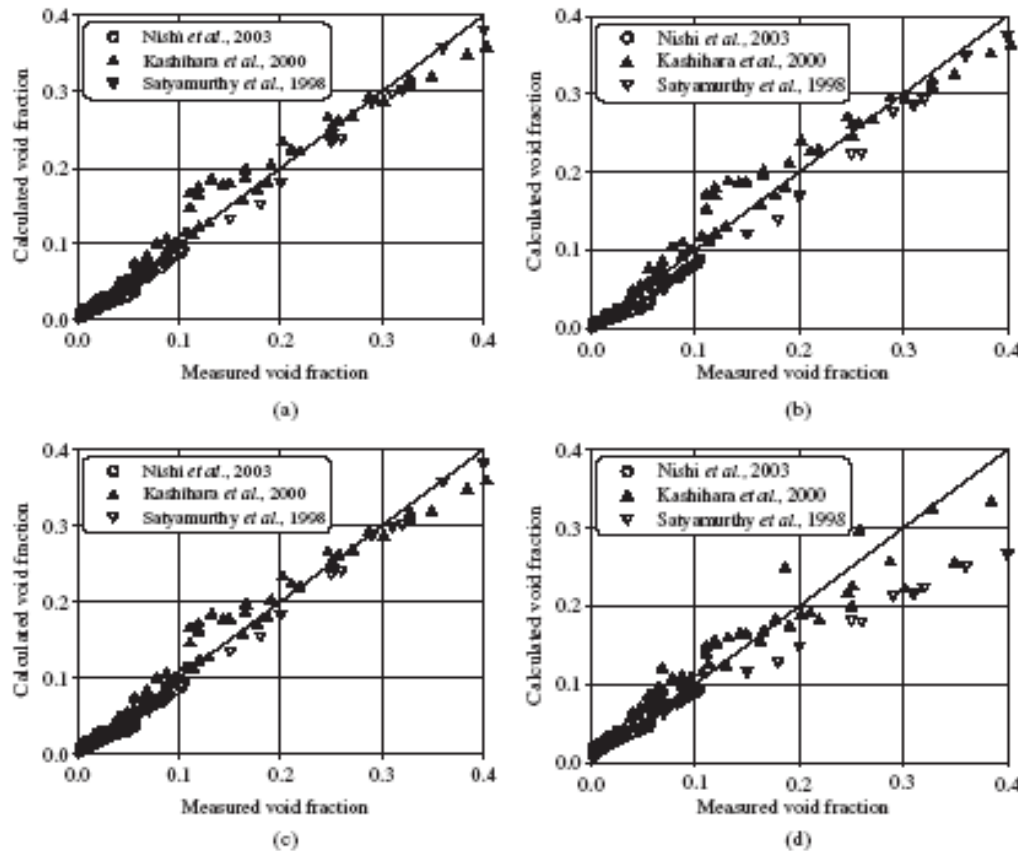
Multi Detector High Energy Gamma Ray System for the Measurement of Void Distribution



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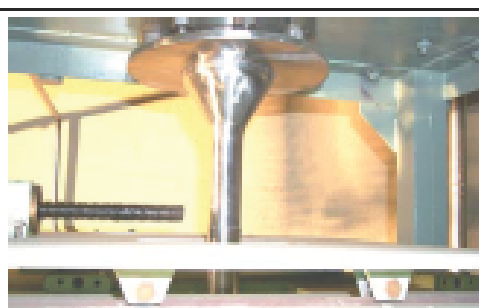
Int. J of Multi-phase flow (24) 1998

Drift flux model for heavy liquid metal two-phase flows



$$\alpha = \frac{j_g}{0.9(j_g + j_l) + 2.33 \left(\frac{g \sigma_l \Delta \rho_l}{\rho_l^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}}}$$

Fig. 5 Comparison with loop test data⁶⁻⁸⁾ of (a), (b), (c) drift-flux model results using v_{gj} formalisms of types a, b, c (see Table 2), respectively, and (d) Brannover correlation¹¹⁾ predictions



ADS Windowless Simulation Target



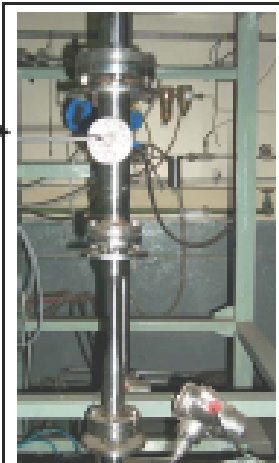
Separator Tank

Mercury Loop for Diagnostic Studies (setup in 2005)

- Velocity field mapping
- Two-phase flow studies
- Window Simulation
- Windowless target simulation
- Carry under



Gamma ray void fraction measurement system



Window Target simulation and Gas-Injection system

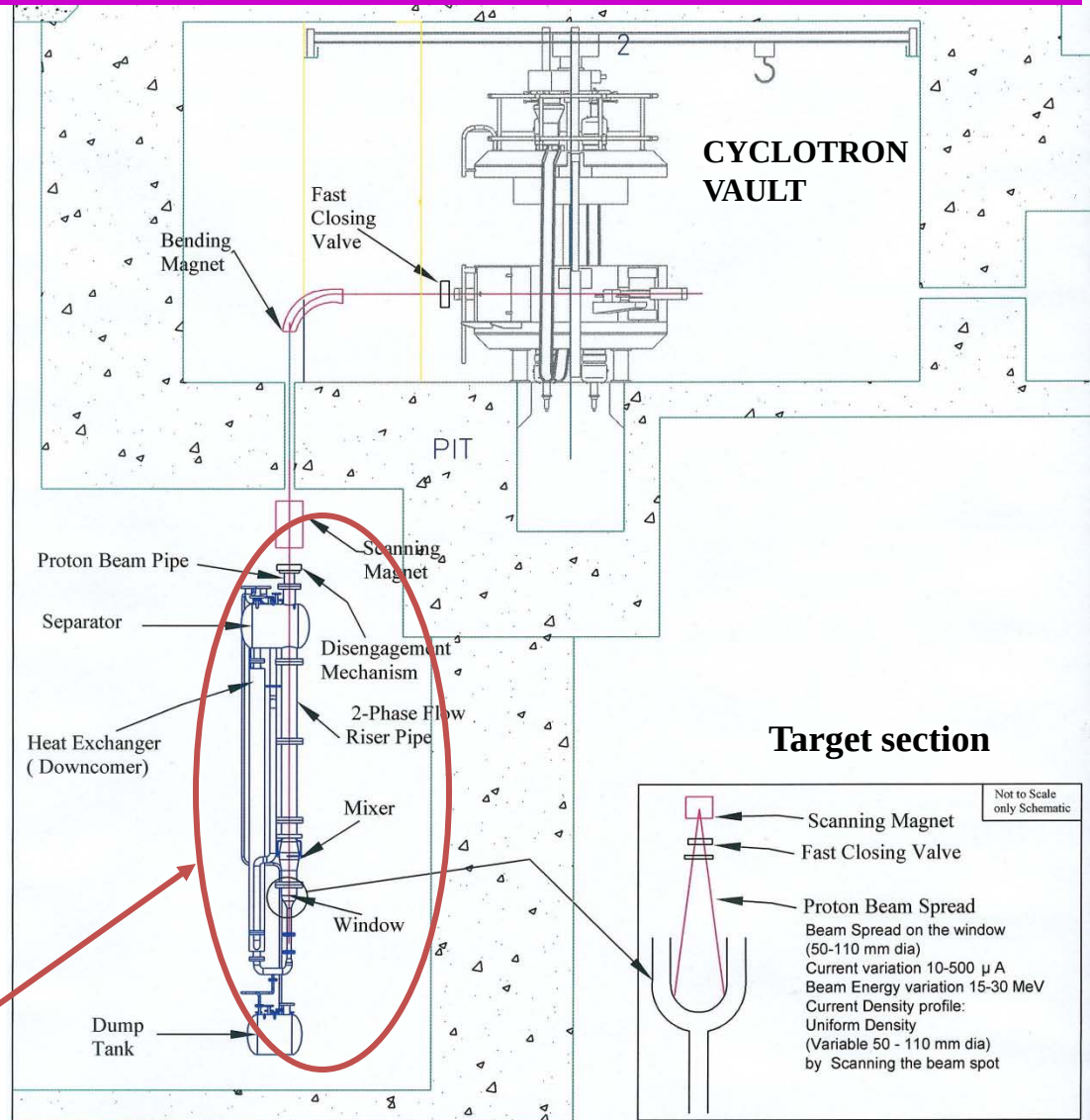


Mercury Loop and sub-systems

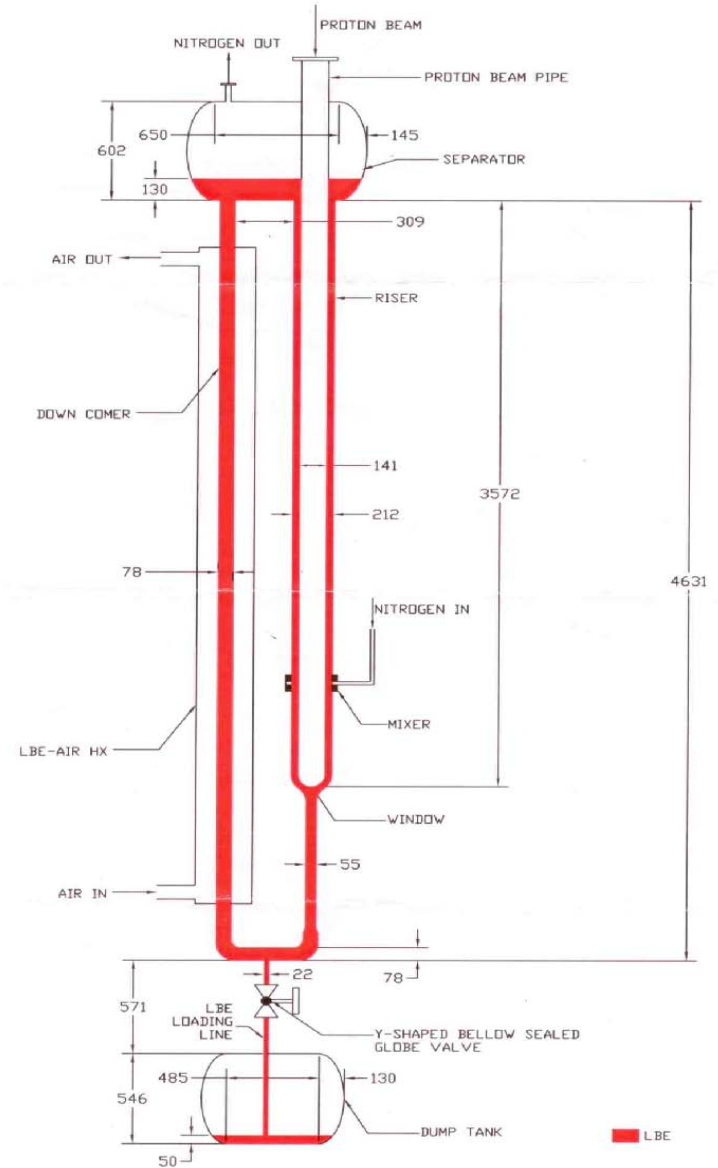
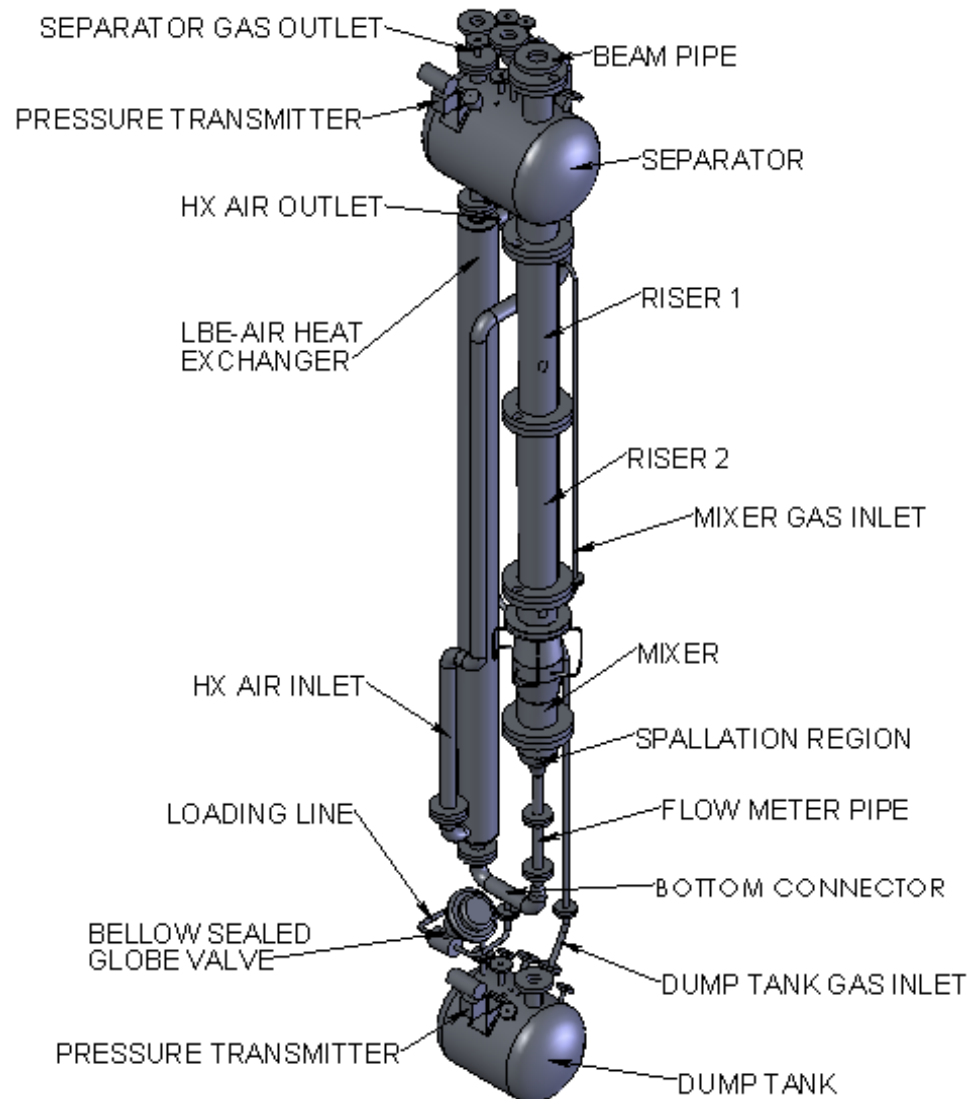
Target Experiments - Coupling With Proton Beam 30 MeV and 500 micro A (cw)

- Coupling of Beam with Target Module
- Window heat extraction
- Radioactivity Issues
- Gas handling
- Irradiation studies
- Combined Control & Instrumentation
- Remote Operation
- Remote Dismantling

LBE Target Module



Target Module for Coupling to 30MeV & 0.5mA proton Beam



Special features of Window

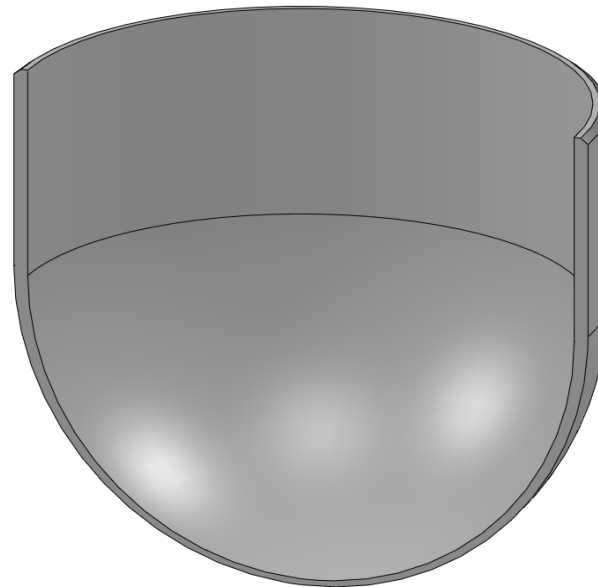
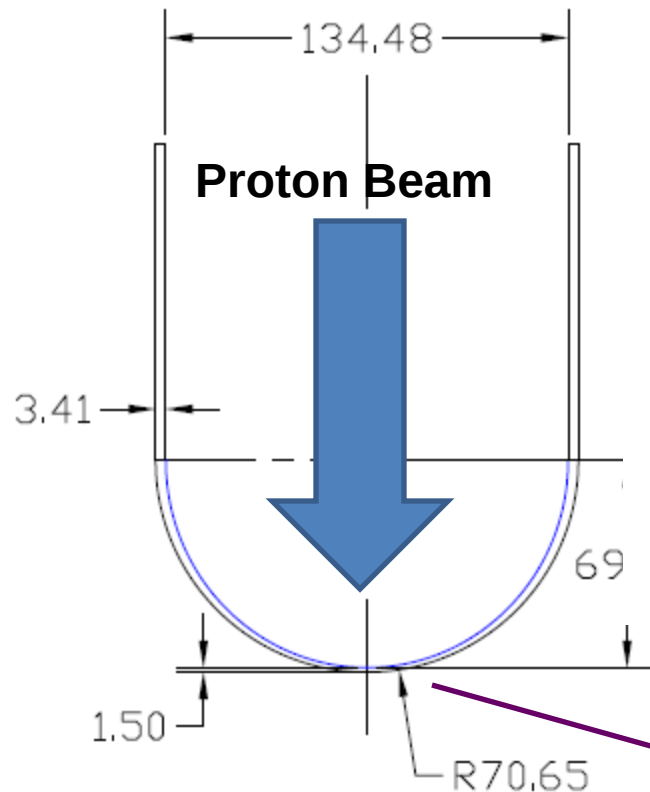
P91 – Ferritic-martensitic Steel

(Ni:0.13,Cr:8.26,Mn:0.38,Mo:0.95,Si:0.43,Ti:0.014,
V:0.2,C:0.105,P:0.009,S:0.003,Nb:0.08,N:0.055,
Al:0.024,Cu:0.08,As:0.02,Sn:0.008,Fe:balance)

- High Thermal conductivity coupled with low thermal expansion-can accommodate higher thermal loads

- Radiation Resistance-Longer life in radiation environments

- Indigenously developed

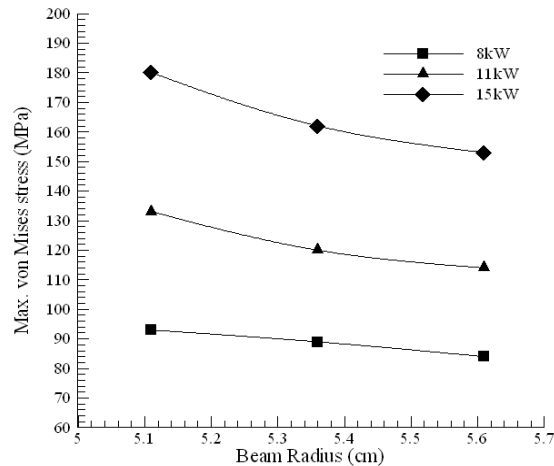
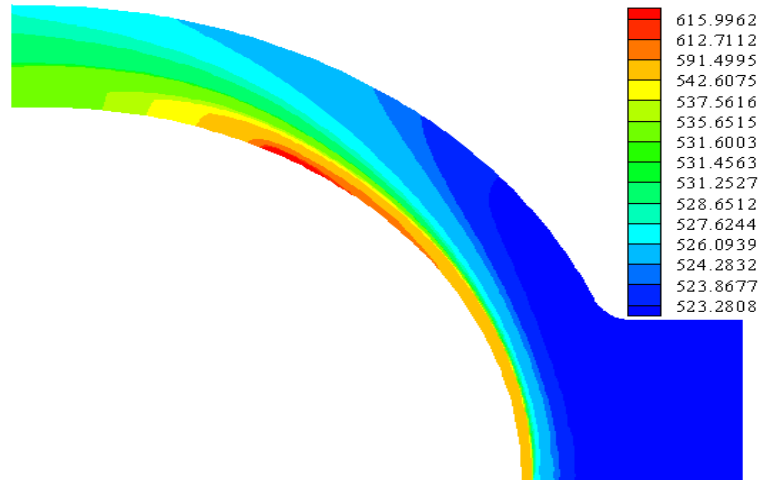


Optimization between mechanical and thermo-mechanical strength, compactness and minimum beam energy deposition

Variable thickness

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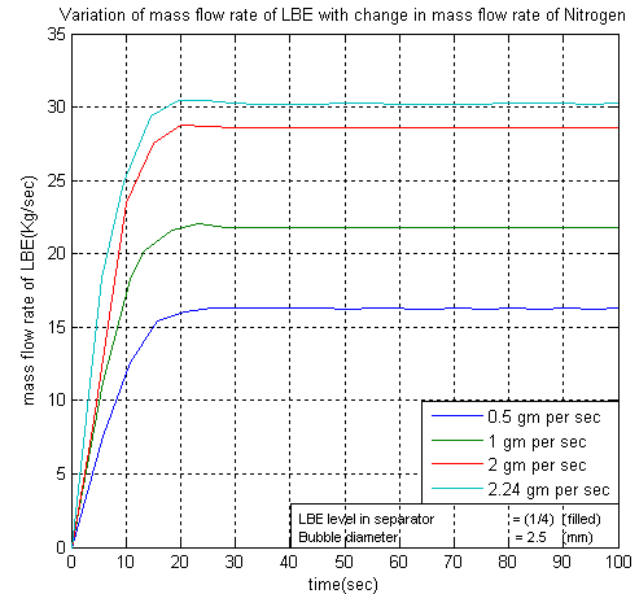
Thermal & Thermo-mechanical Analysis of Window Optimisation Studies



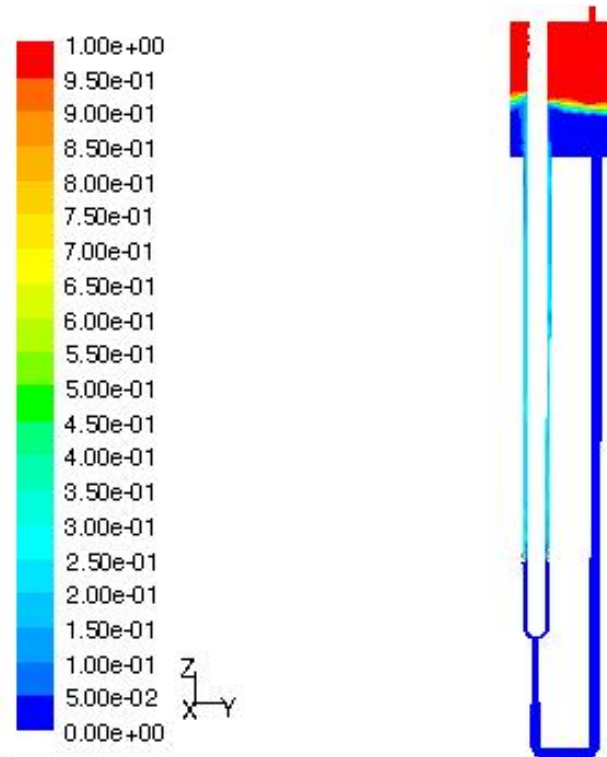
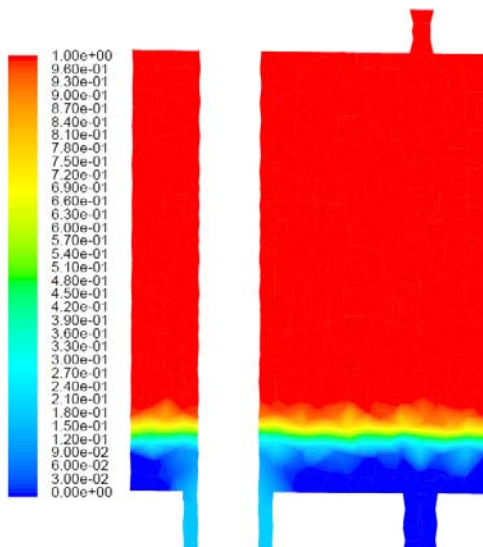
5mm gap, 15kg/s (5.61 cm beam scanned radius)				
Loading conditions	Hoop Stress (MPa)		Max von Mises Stress (MPa)	Allowable Stress (MPa)
	-ve	+ve		
Thermal	-162	97.6	146	603
Mechanical	-11.2	2.23	13.1	201
Thermo-mechanical	-169	89.7	153	603

Effect of Beam scanned area on stresses

Two Phase Flow Analysis-Target Module for coupling with proton beam



**LBE flow rate as function of
time for various flow rates**



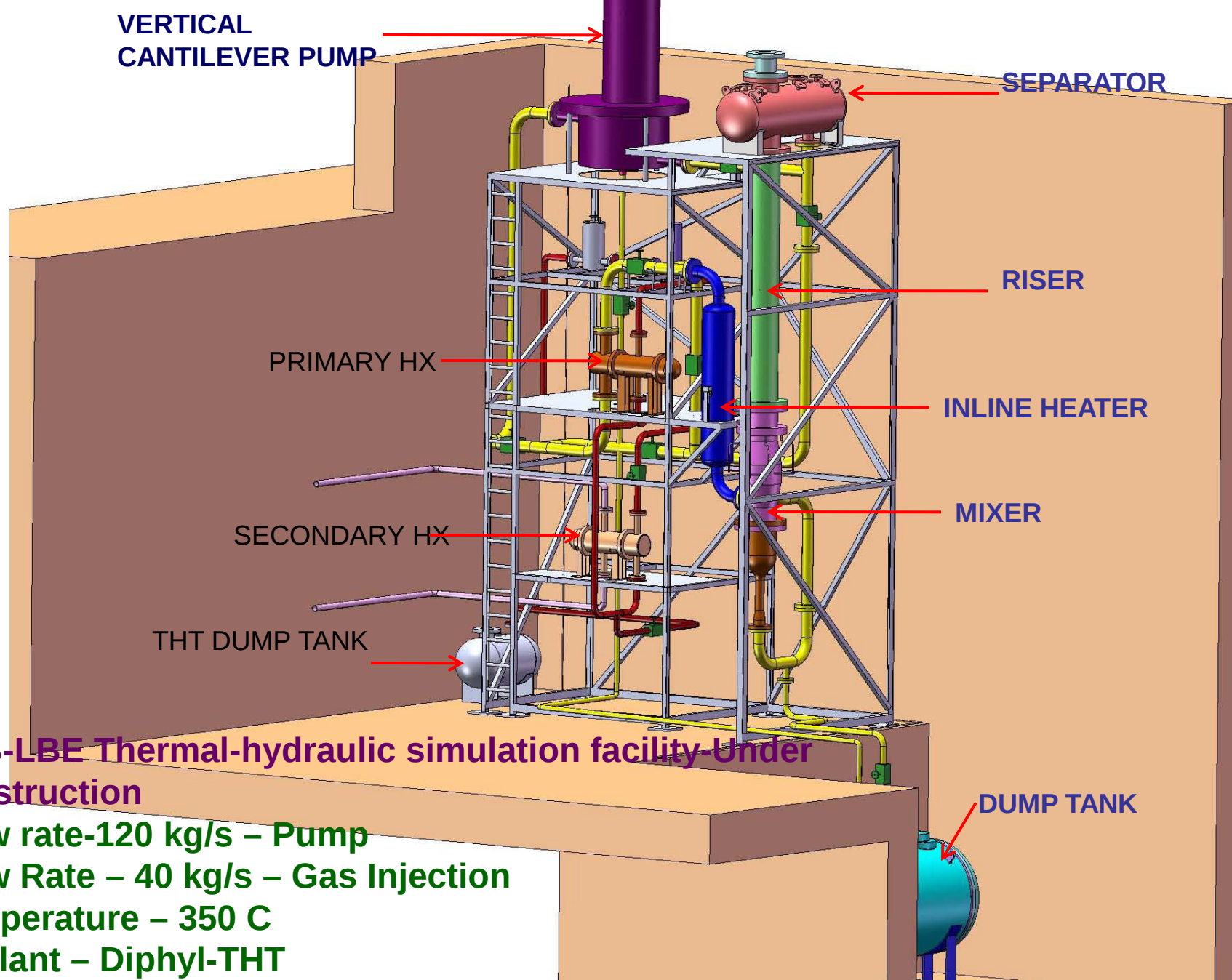
Contours of Volume fraction (nitrogen) (Time=9.9956e+01) May 05, 2006
FLUENT 6.2 (3d, segregated, eulerian, ske, unsteady)

**Liquid Carry over estimated 3.8×10^{-11} kg/s.
No carry under observed**



**Prototype ADS
target Module for
Medical Cyclotron
with provision to
remotely dismantle
from cyclotron
beam line, utility
lines, power cables
etc and transport to
Cask**

**During fabrication
& assembly at the
Vendor site**



CFB-LBE Thermal-hydraulic simulation facility-Under construction

Flow rate-120 kg/s – Pump

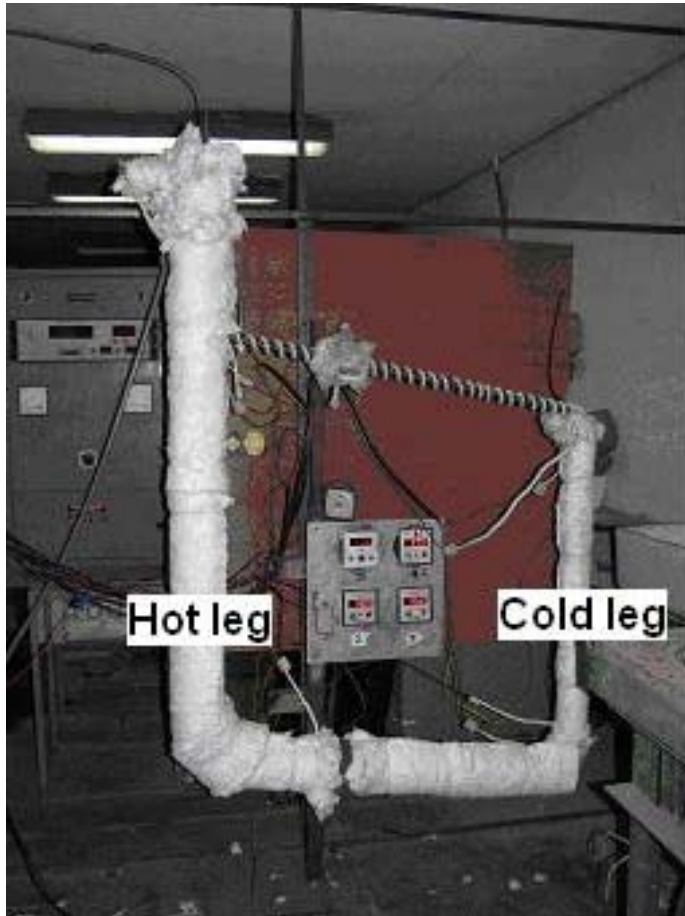
Flow Rate – 40 kg/s – Gas Injection

Temperature – 350 C

Coolant – Diphyl-THT

Window Heat simulation-Electron source

LBE Loop for Corrosion Studies

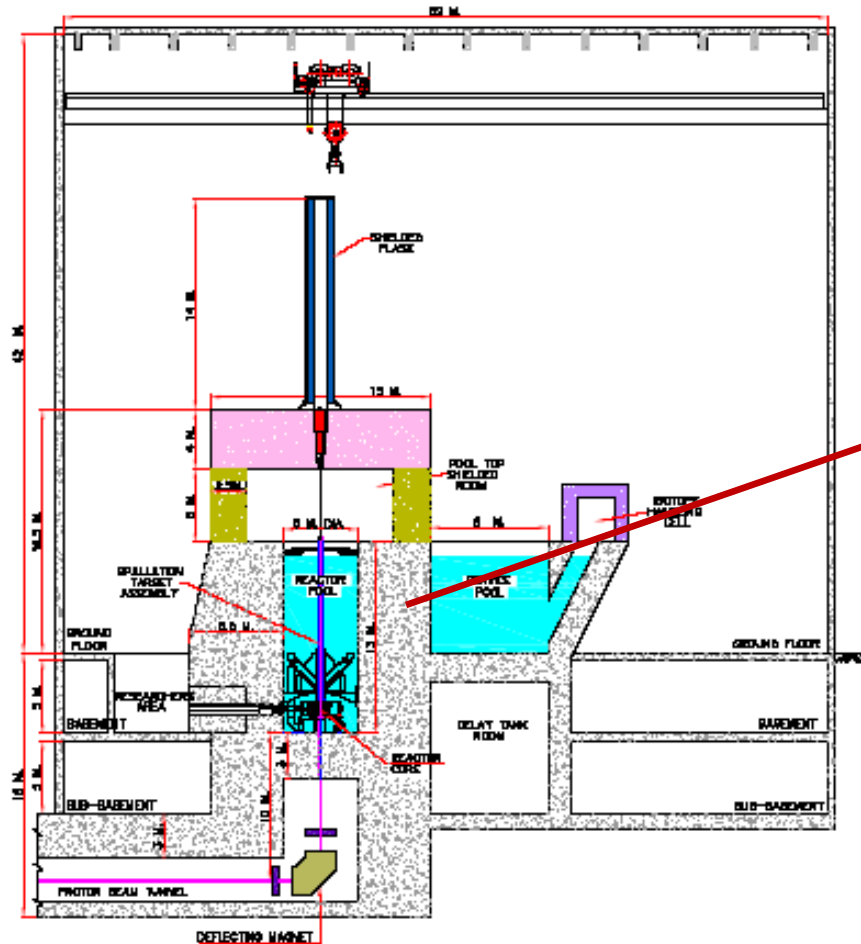


For Corrosion Studies on Structural Materials-SS304L, SS316L, T91
- Non-isothermal loop under active oxygen control

Lead-bismuth eutectic thermobuoyancy loop

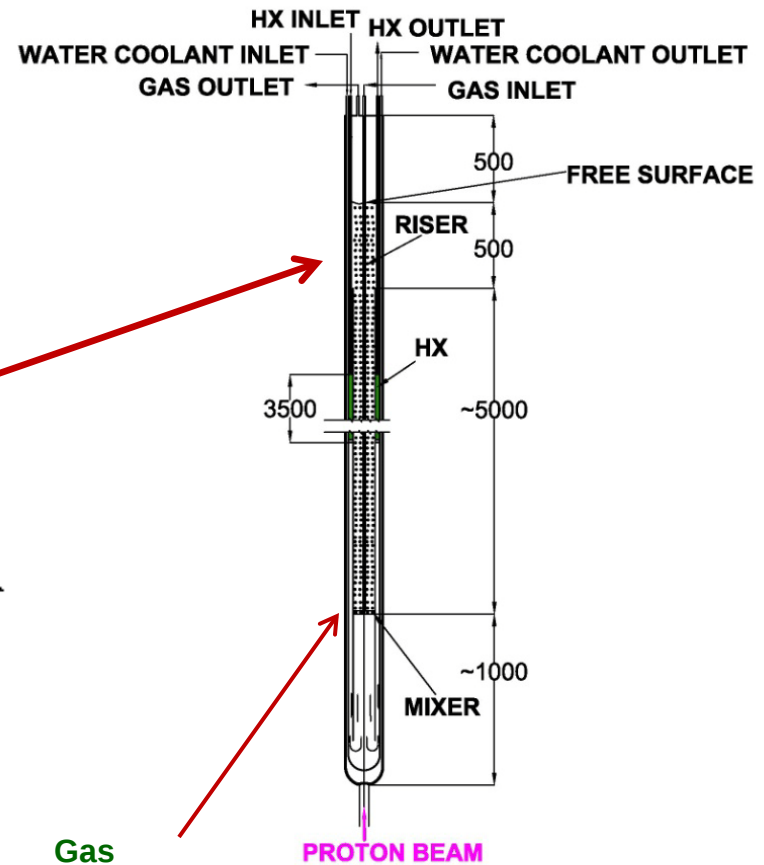
Proposed ADS Target for Experimental Reactor

Proton : Energy – 650 MeV, Current : 0.9mA-Design stage



Reactor Block with ADS Core
(Elevation)

Reactor



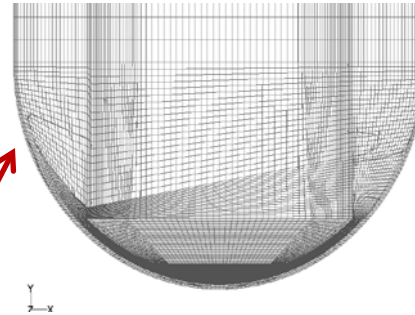
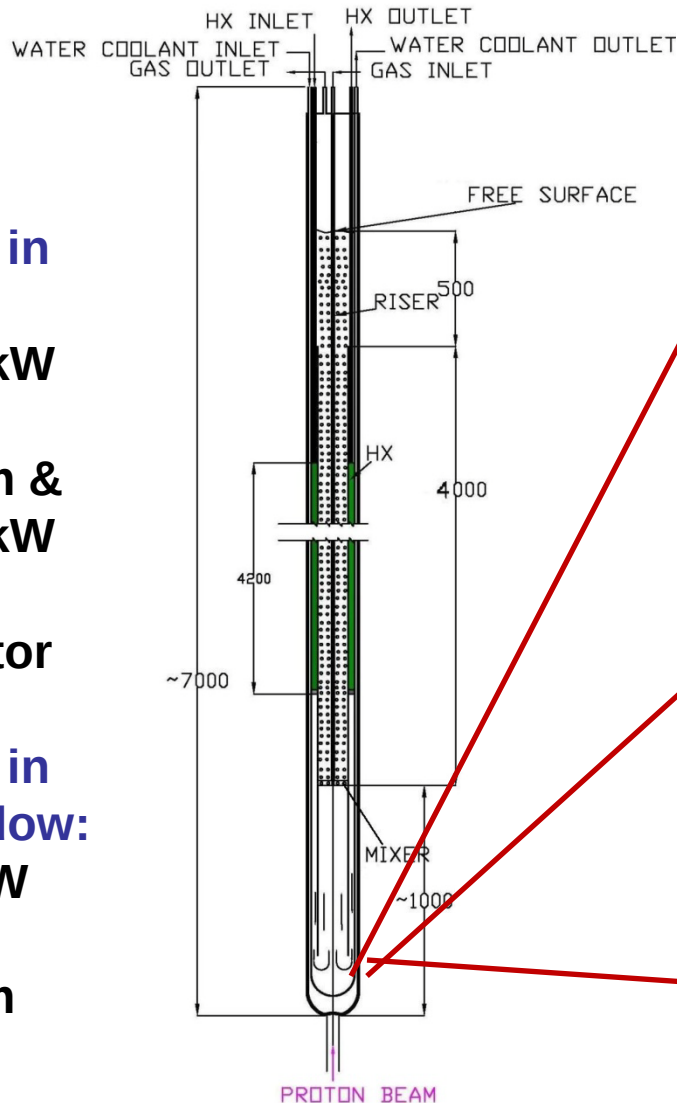
LBE Target

Target- Heat Extraction Studies -3D flow Analysis-

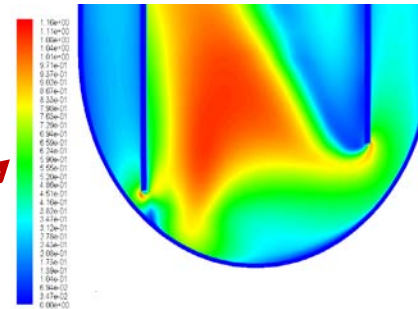
Proposed ADS Target for High Flux Research Reactor

**Heat in
LBE:
390 kW
from
beam &
370 kW
from
reactor**

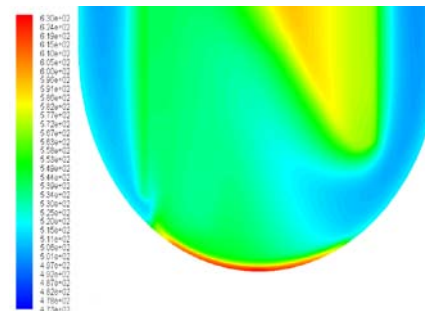
**Heat in
Window:
3.7kW
from
beam**



**Grids-12
lakhs**



**Velocity contours
for 50 kg/s
Max. Vel – 1.16 m/s)**

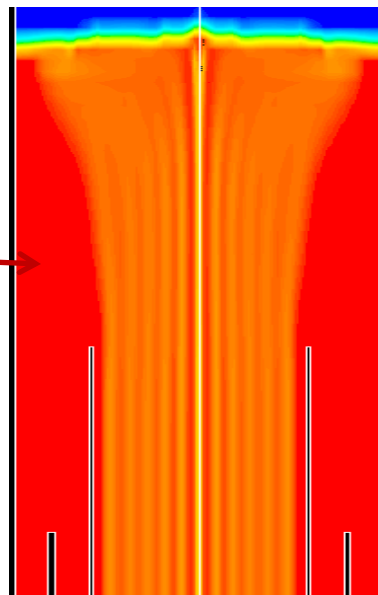
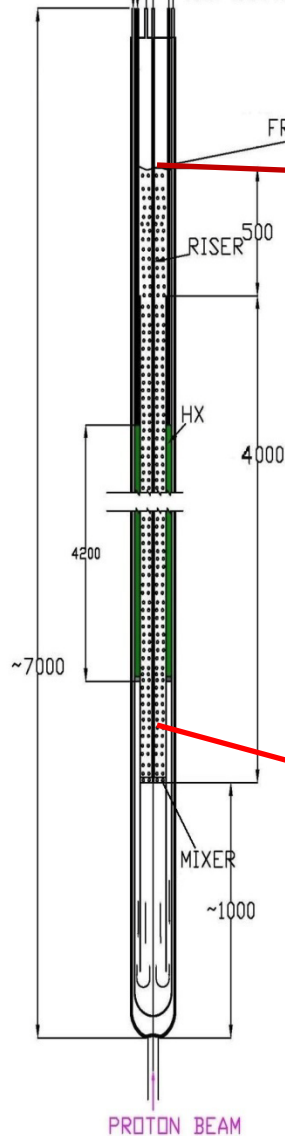


**Temperature
contours
(Max Temp
of LBE < 335K ,
Max. Window
Temp < 360 C**

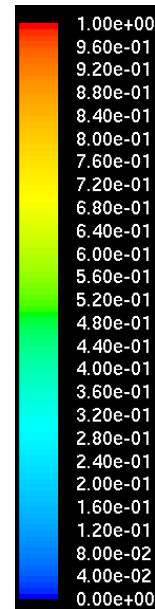
CFD Analysis of two-phase flow – Gas lift studies

Proposed ADS Target for High Flux Research Reactor

HX INLET HX OUTLET
WATER COOLANT INLET WATER COOLANT OUTLET
GAS OUTLET GAS INLET

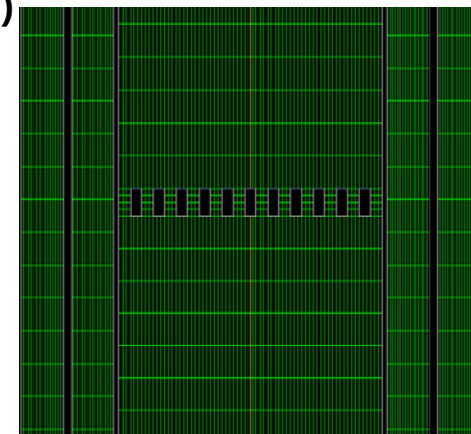
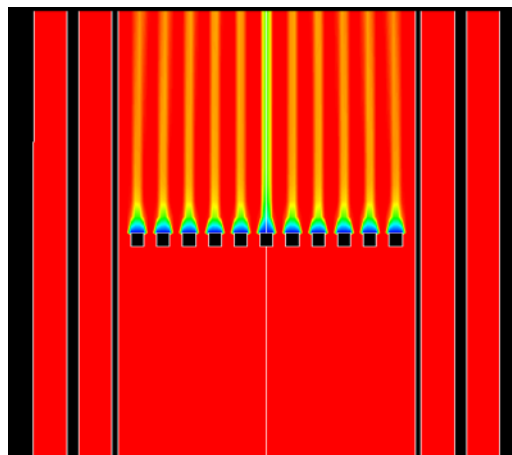


Contours of volume fraction of LBE
near Top region (red – LBE & Blue – Gas)

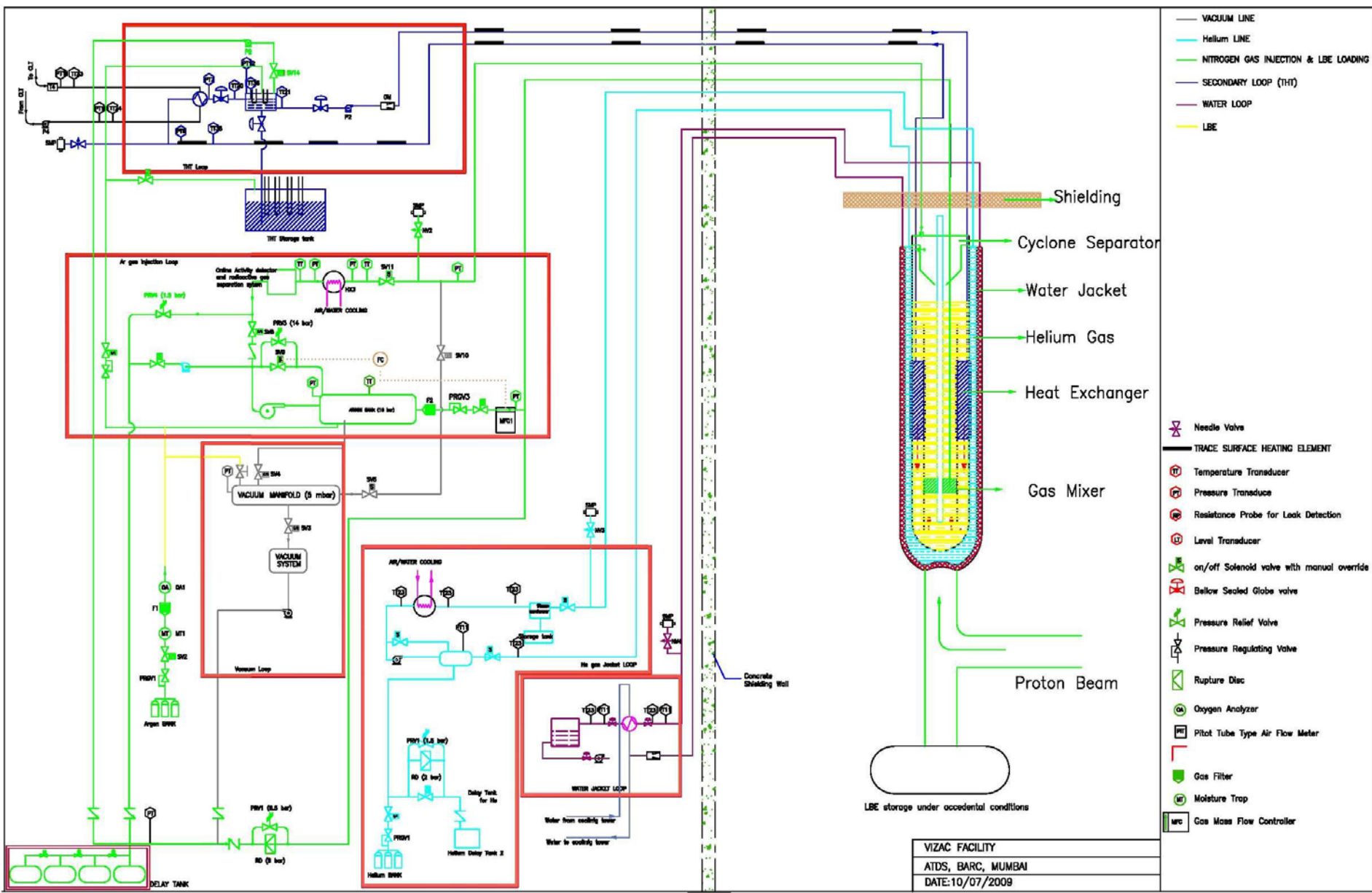


Gas flow rate - 0.7 g/s

LBE Flow rate – 54kg/s



Grid Details near the Mixer



Electron Photo-neutron target:

Tantalum/U Nat./U Enriched cooled by H₂O

Beam Parameters:

Dia: 30 mm

- Energy 100 MeV**
- Power: 100 kW**
- Duty cycle: 400 Hz**
- Pulse duration: 10 μ s.**

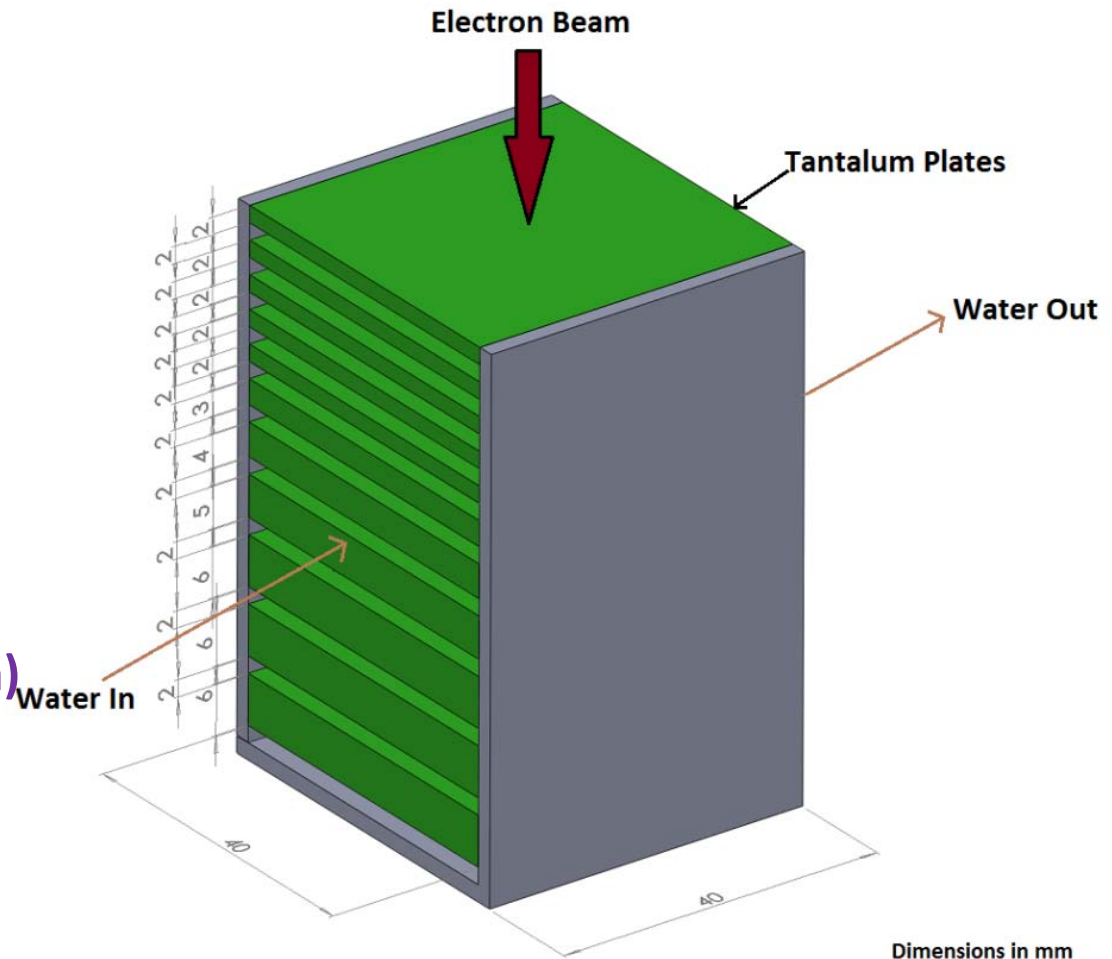
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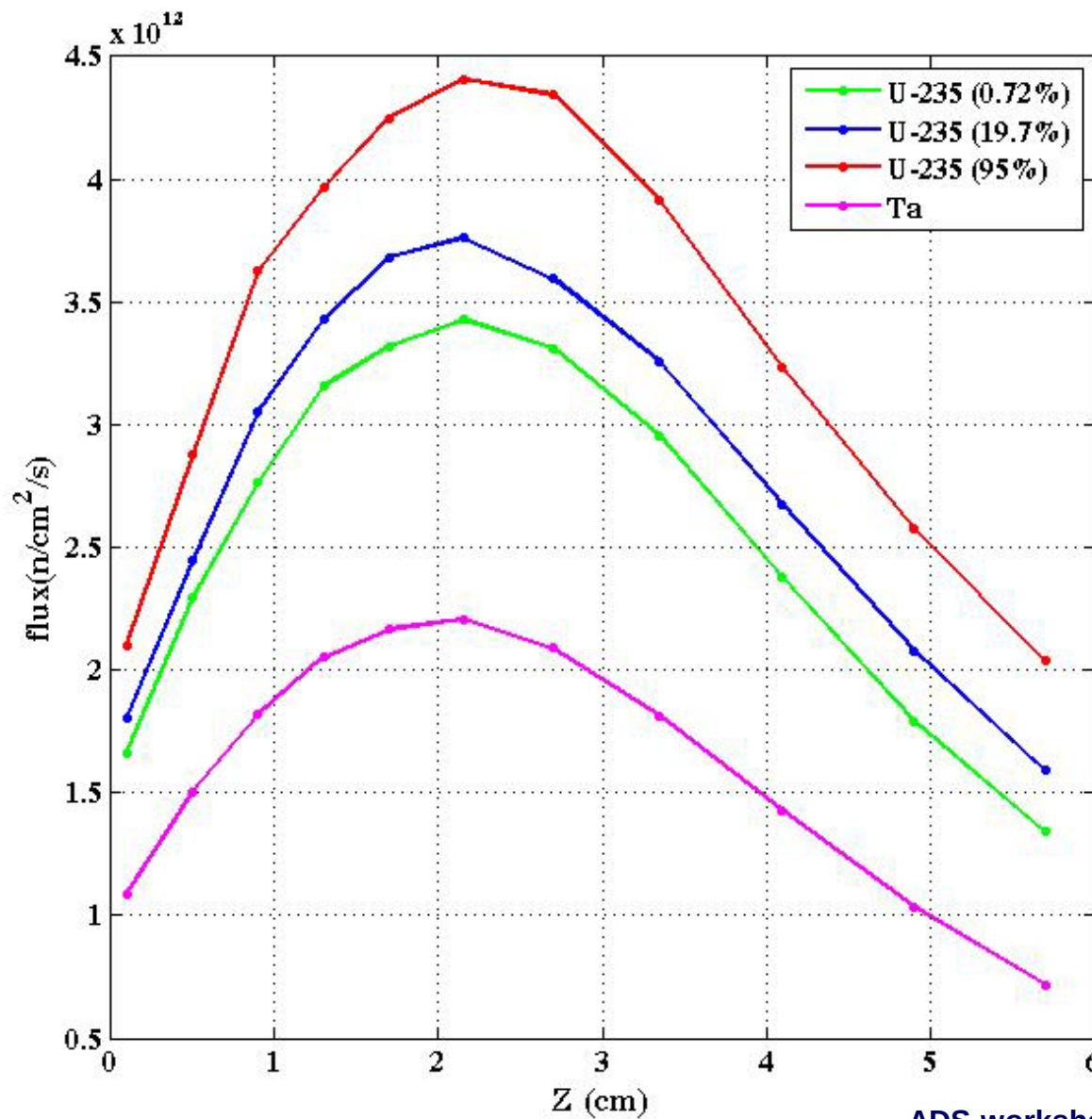
Target Geometry:

- Rectangular plates (4 cm $\times$ 4 cm)
- Number of plates: 11
- Thickness : 0.2 – 0.6 cm
- Water channel width: 0.2 cm



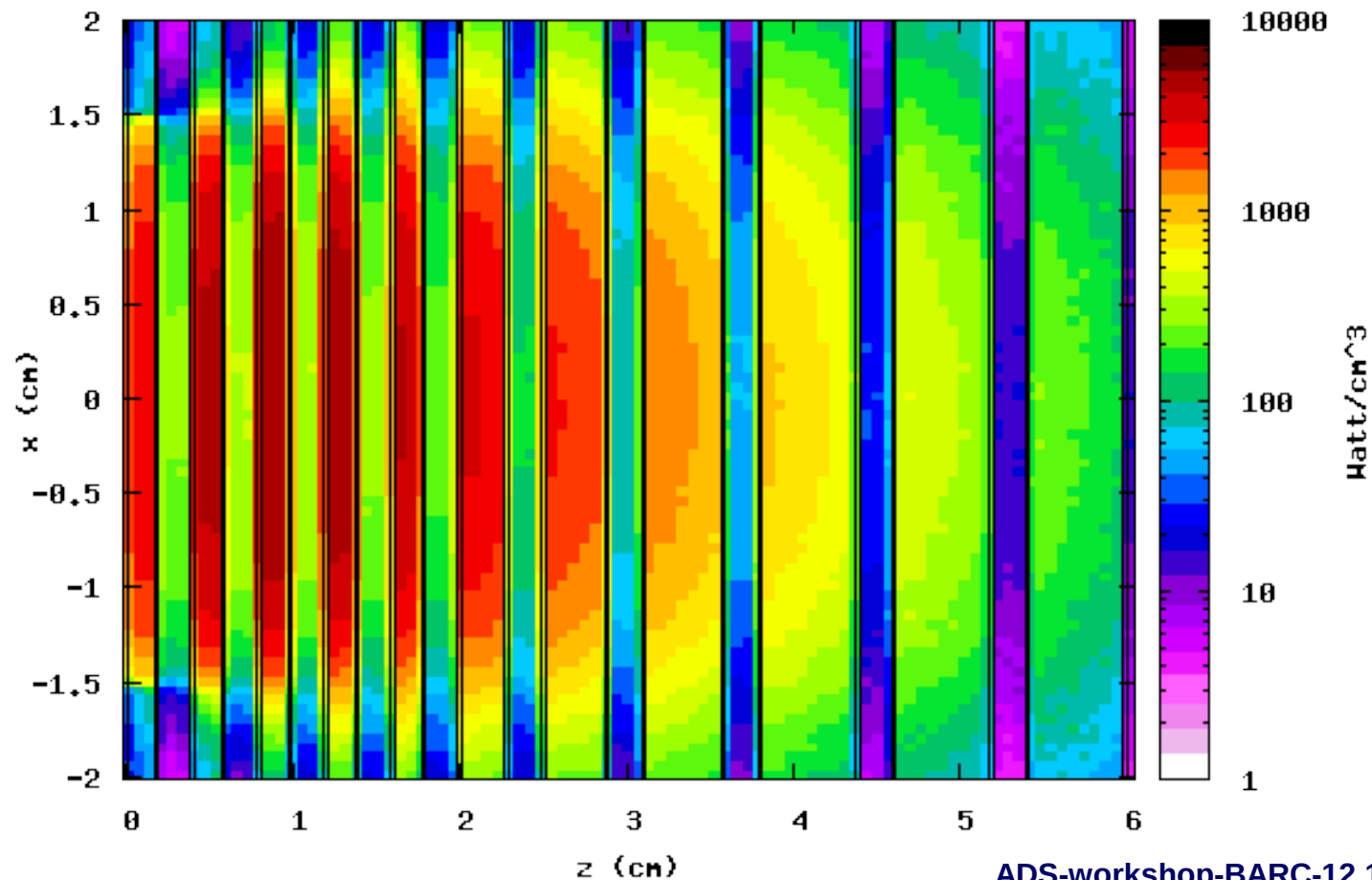
Schematic of Target configuration

Neutron flux distribution

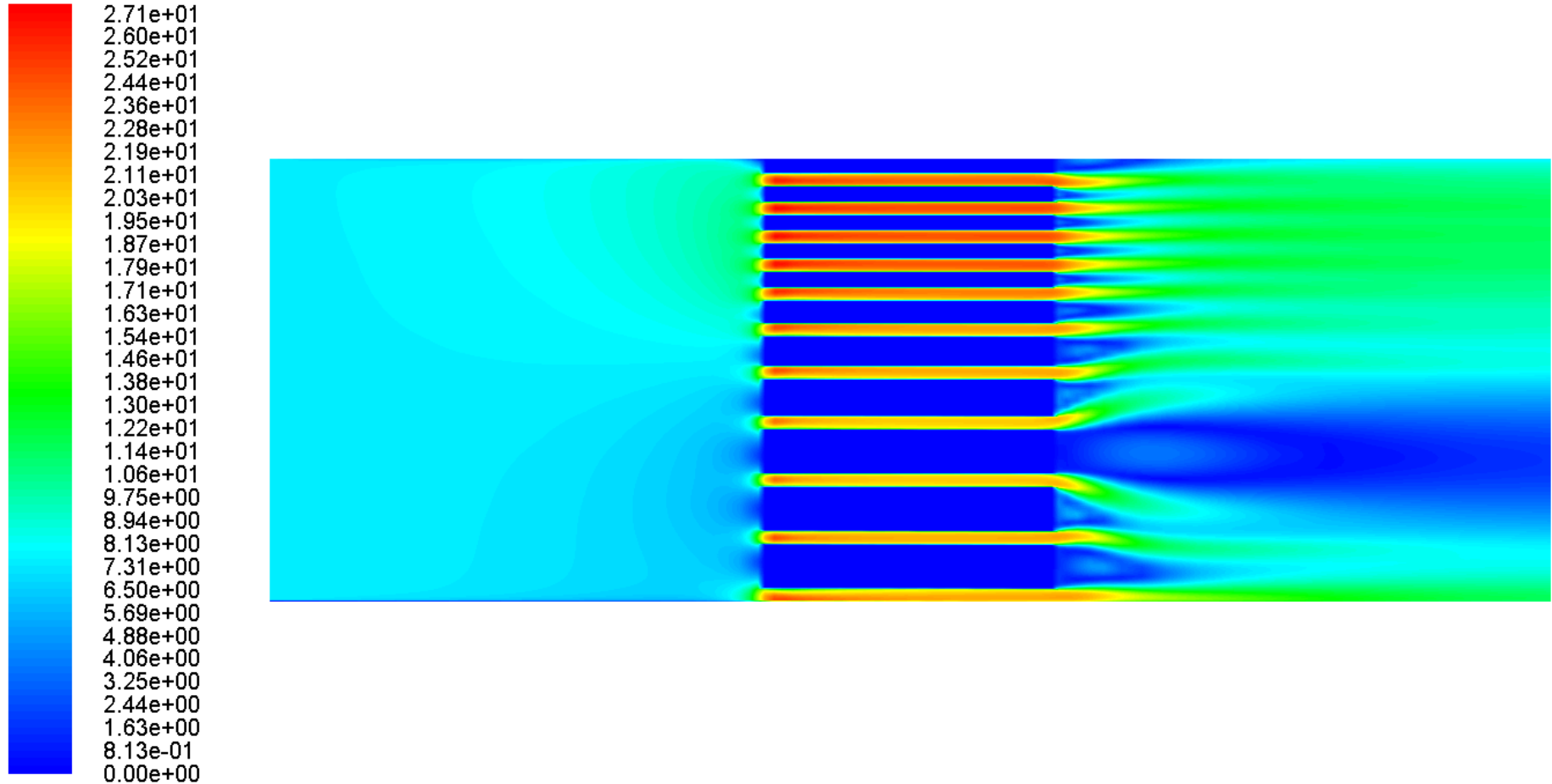


Target Material studied	Number of neutron produced per electron	Maximum neutron flux at the target surface
Ta	3.36E-2	2.206E+12
$U^{235}(0.72\%)+U^{238}$	4.41E-2	3.428E+12
$U^{235}(19.7\%)+U^{238}$	4.42E-2	3.761E+12
$U^{235}(95\%)+U^{238}$	4.43E-2	4.405E+12

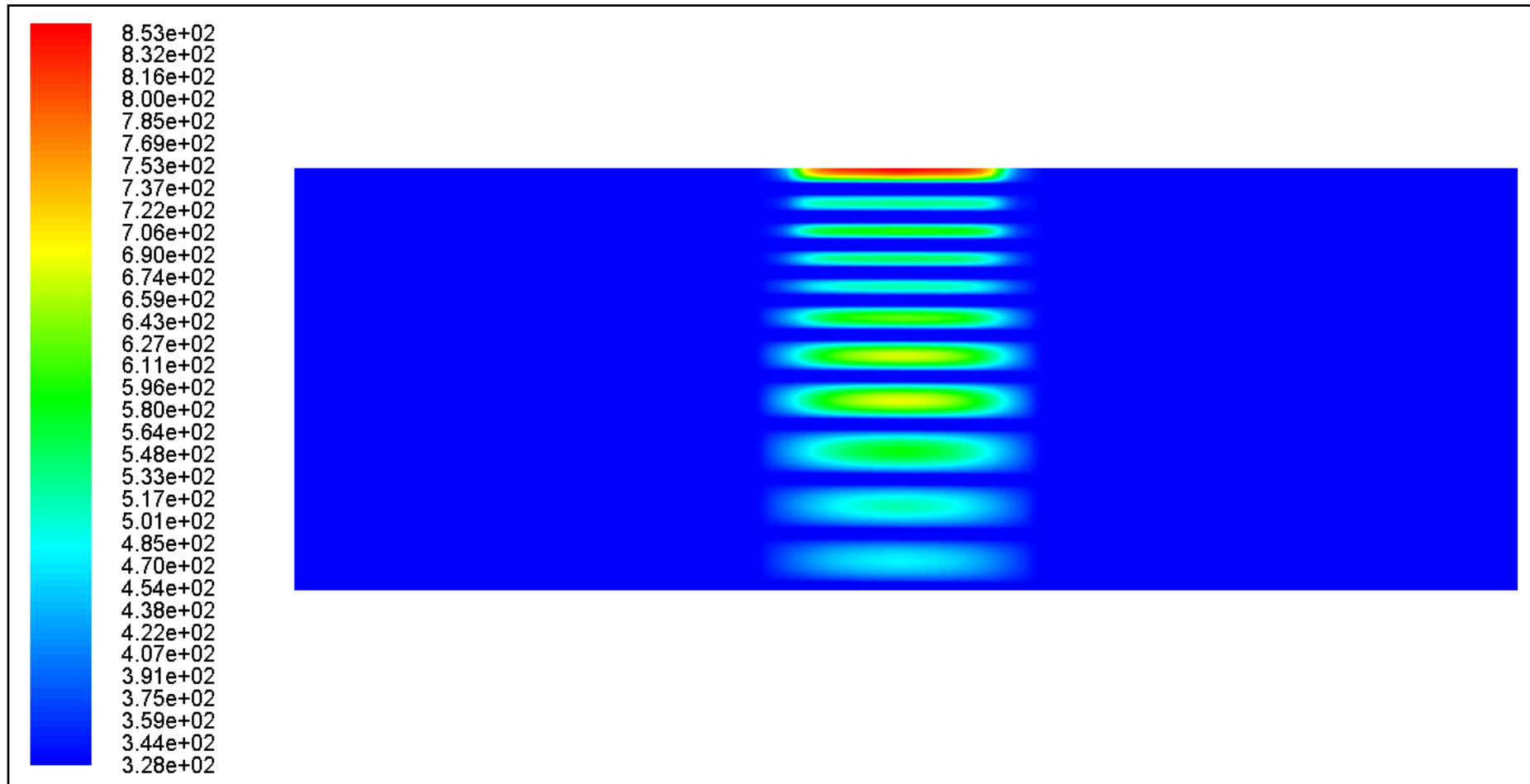
Time averaged heat density deposited by the electron beam

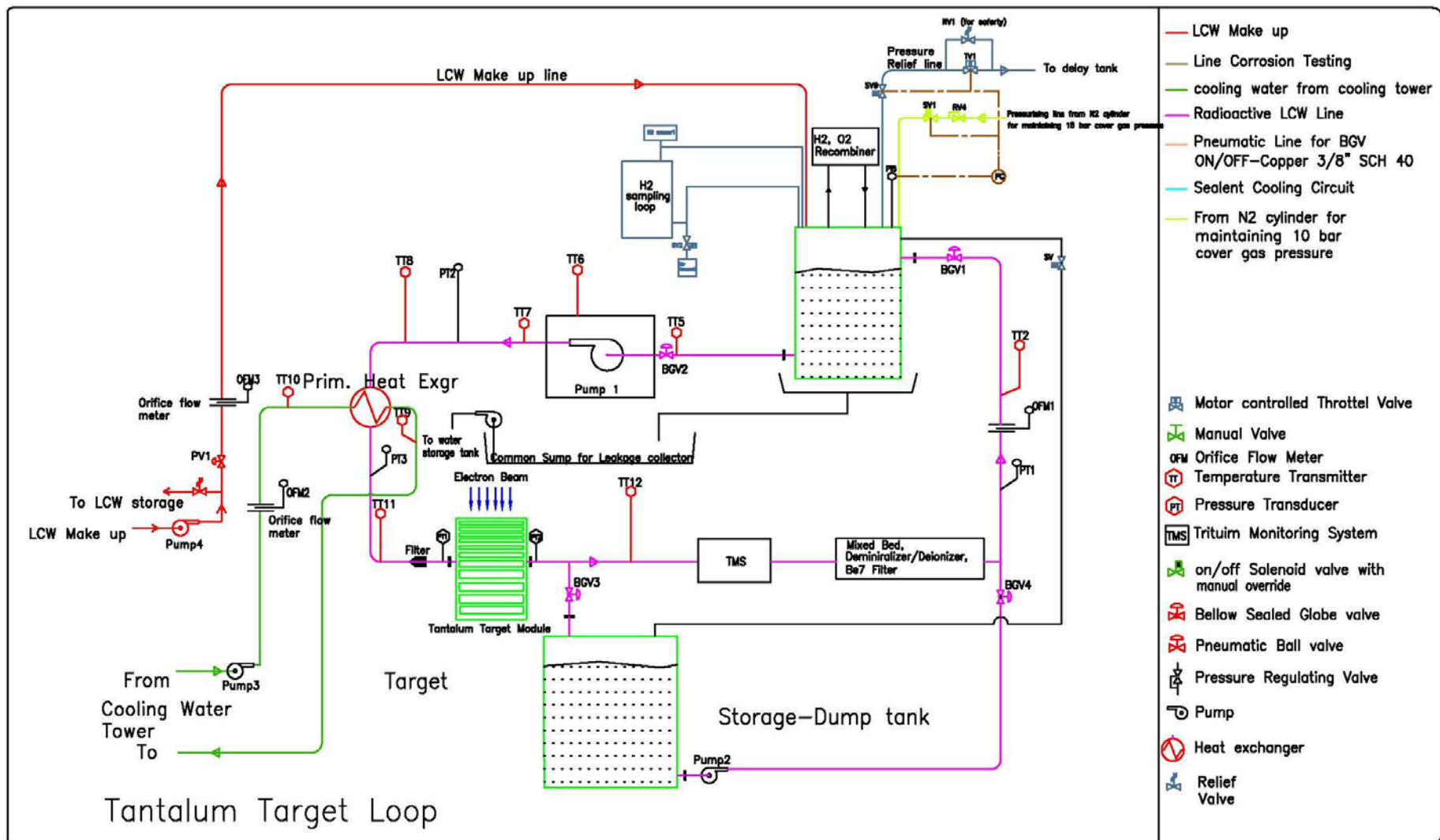


Velocity field in the target module (mass flow rate:18.56 kg/s)



Temperature distribution in the Target module (Water inlet temperature: 55⁰ C, Maximum temperature of solid target: 580⁰C-1st Plate, Maximum temperature of water: 195⁰ C)





Preliminary process flow of target loop

Thank you