

# Space Charge Compensation Measurements for ECRIS beams

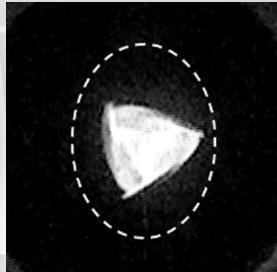
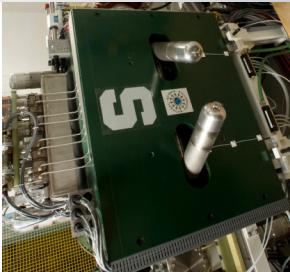
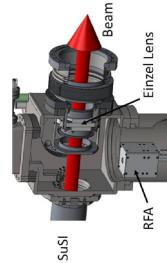
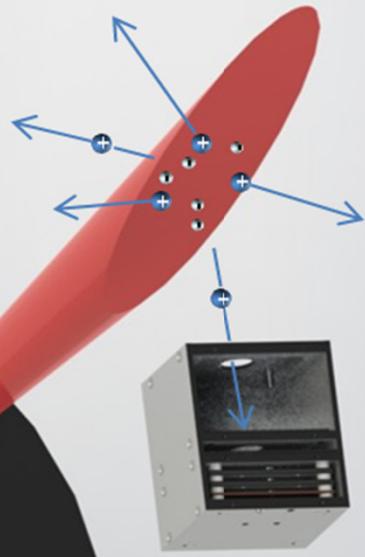
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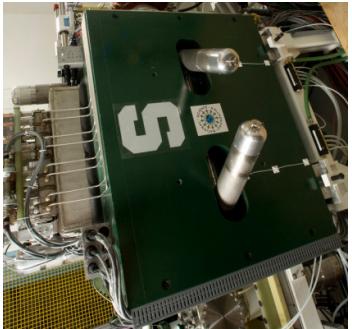
## Outline:

- Introduction
- Hardware
- Measurements
- Discussion



# ECRIS and LEBT

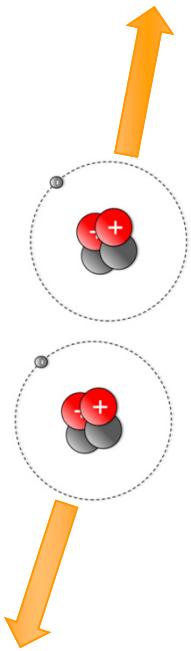
- Current ECR ions sources like Venus and SuSI are able to create up to 20 mA of beam
- Next (4<sup>th</sup>) generation ECRIS even more!
- These are regimes, where space-charge effects become important factors for:
  - Beam size
  - Beam quality
  - Transmission
- Especially in the Low Energy Beam Transport (LEBT) system before the analyzing magnet
- Have to consider SC in design and simulations
- What is space-charge?



For next generation  
ECRIS see other talks  
at this workshop

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# Space Charge (SC)



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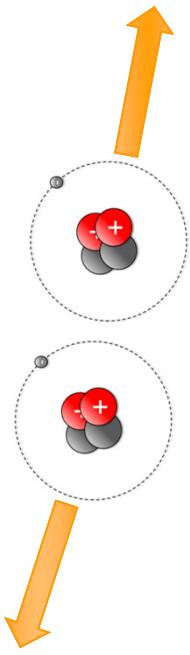
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# Space Charge (SC)

- Coulomb repulsion between beam ions
- Collective effect – creates self-field of the beam
- Defocusing term in Hill's equation – beam growth
- Simple model of the beam: Uniformly charged cylinder
  - Radial electric field:  $E_r = \frac{I}{2\pi\varepsilon_0\beta c} \frac{r}{a^2}$



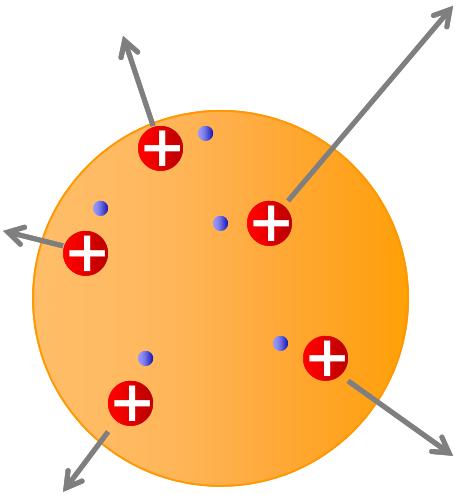
$$-\text{Radial Potential: } \Phi(r) = \Delta\phi \left( 1 + 2 \ln \frac{b}{a} - \frac{r^2}{a^2} \right); \quad \Phi(r) = 2\Delta\phi \ln \left( \frac{b}{r} \right); \quad \text{with } \Delta\phi = \frac{I \cdot (1 - f_e)}{4\pi\varepsilon_0\beta c}$$

( $a$  = beam radius,  $b$  = beam line radius,  $I$  = beam current,  $\beta c$  = velocity)

- If the beam were to experience the full self-field at all times bad for beam transport of high current beams! – Luckily: Compensation

# Space Charge Compensation (SCC)

- As the beam goes through the residual gas in the beam line – interaction:
  - Collisions
  - Charge exchange
- Electrons are separated from gas atoms/molecules
  - electrons are trapped in beam potential, ions are expelled
  - Electrons effectively lower the beam potential
- Process is steady-state, governed by rates of electrons created and captured and electrons leaving the beam.
- From Soloshenko<sup>#</sup>.

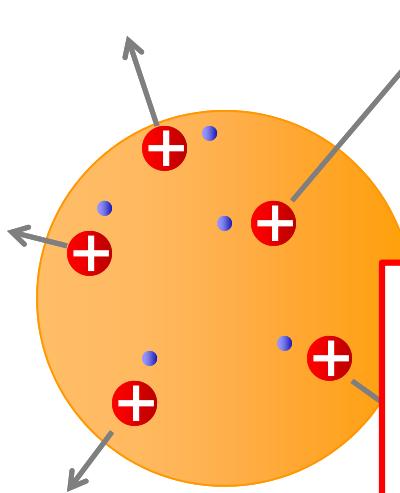


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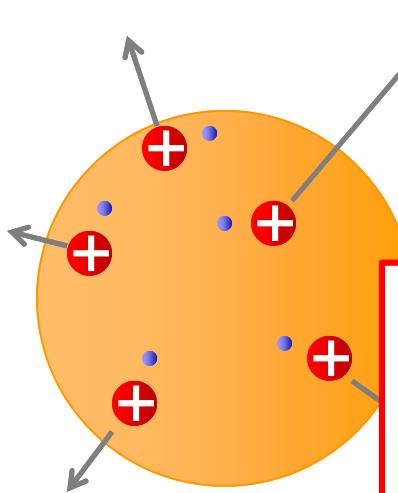
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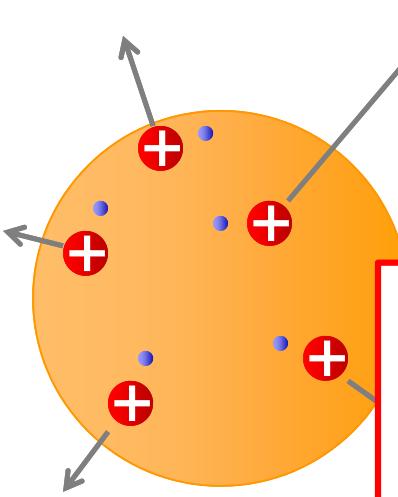
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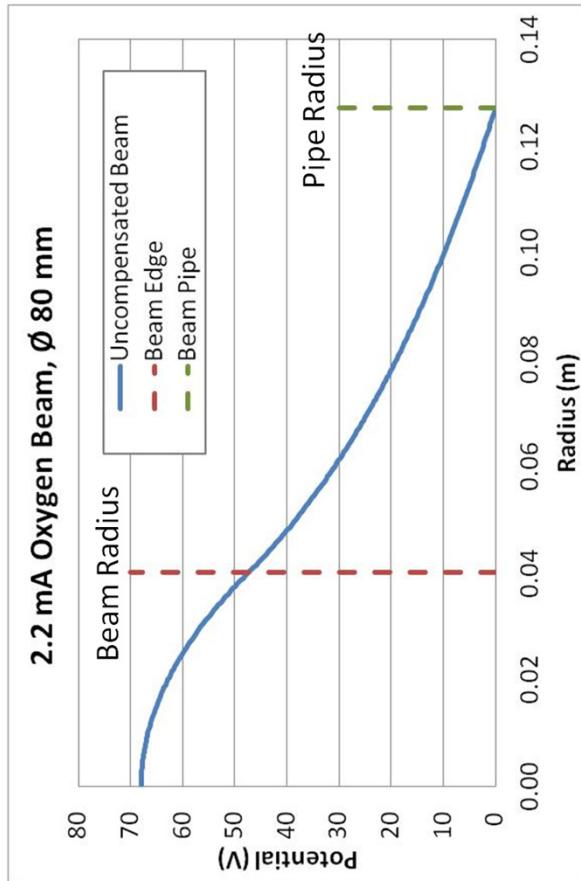
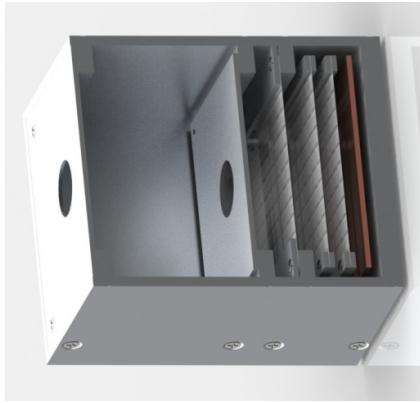
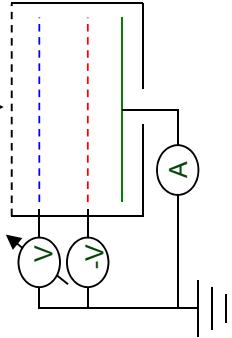
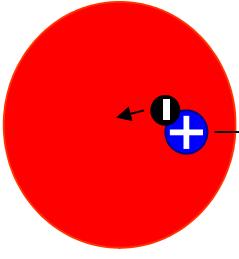
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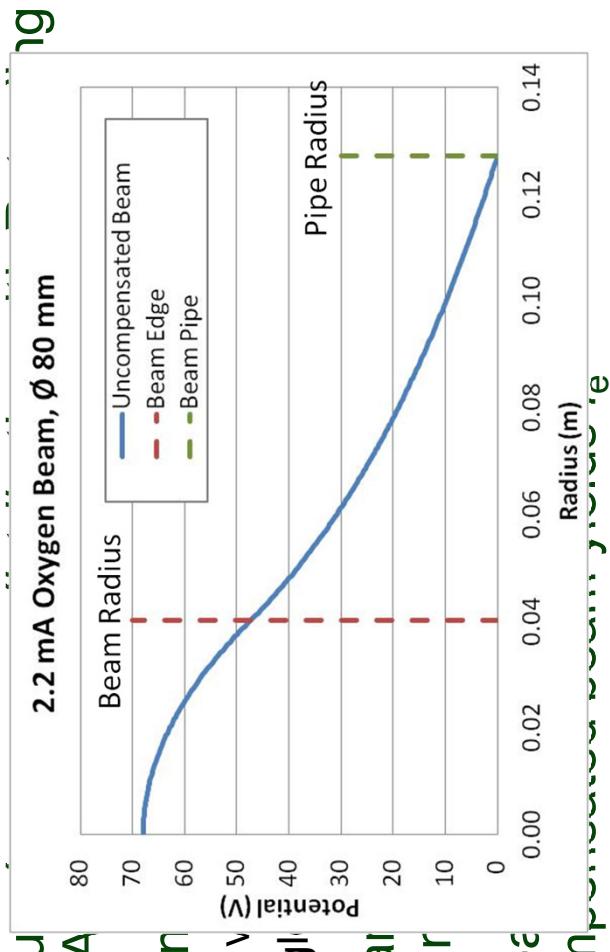
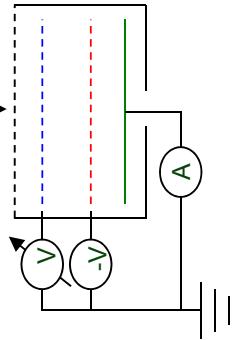
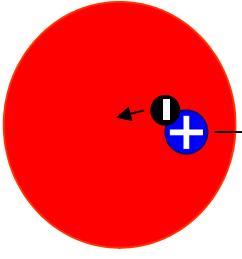
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  - Flat  $\sqrt{\Sigma}$  potential
  - Single result
  - $\Delta\Phi_{cal}$  resulting from uncompensated beam

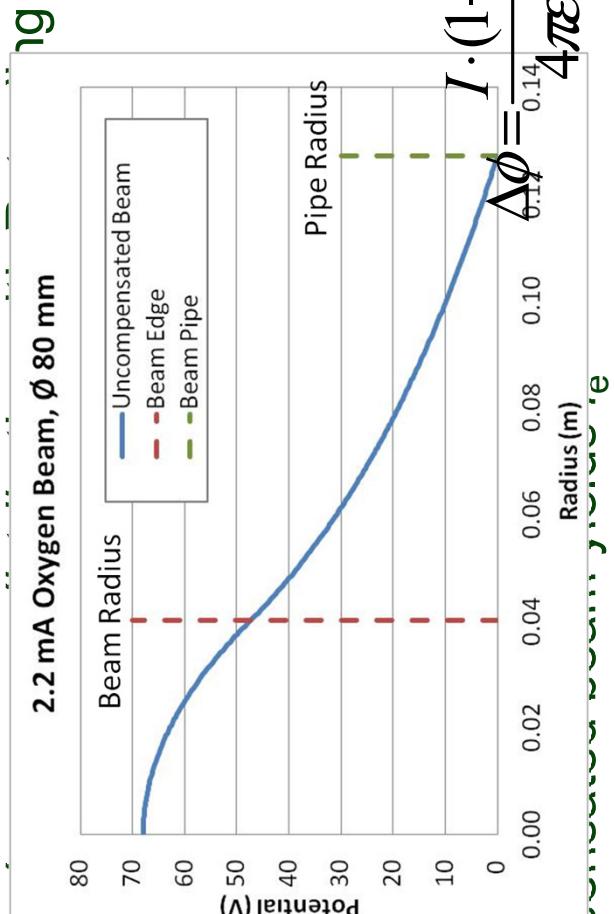
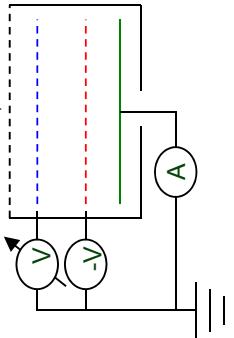
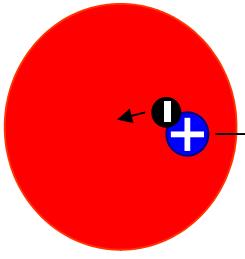
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  - Single uncorrected beam pipe
  - $\Delta\Phi_{comp} = \frac{I \cdot (1-f_e)}{4\pi\varepsilon_0\beta c}$
- Design
  - Uncompensated Beam Edge
  - Beam Pipe

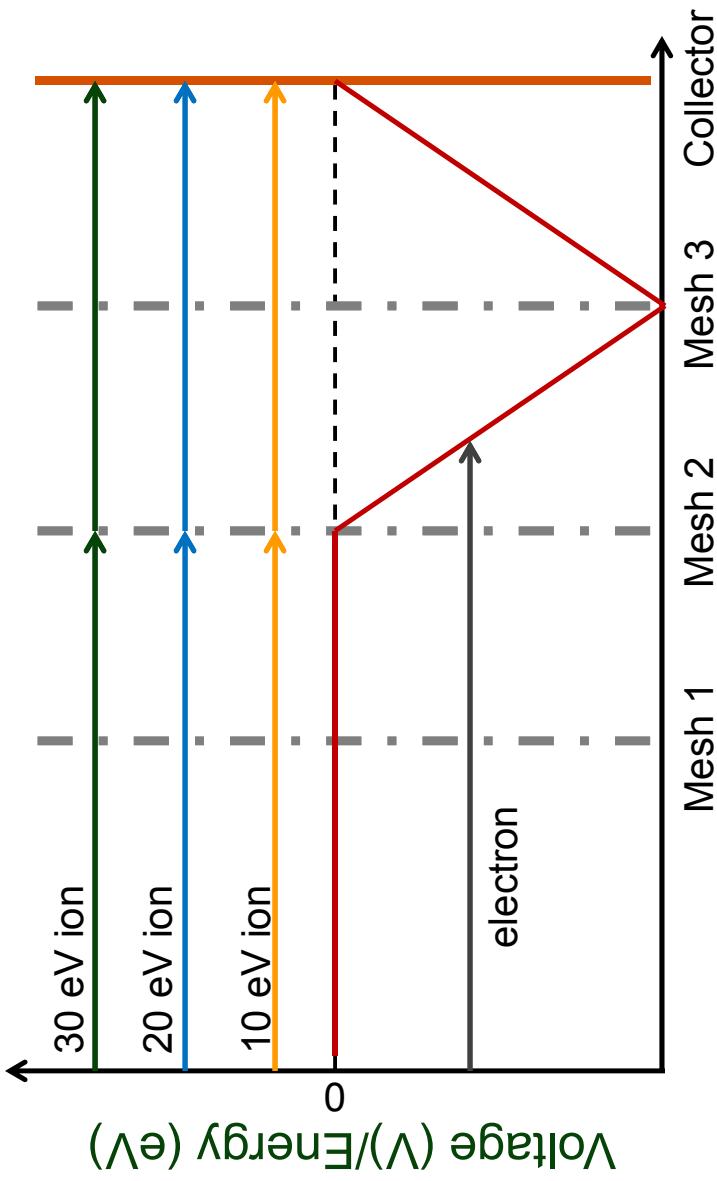
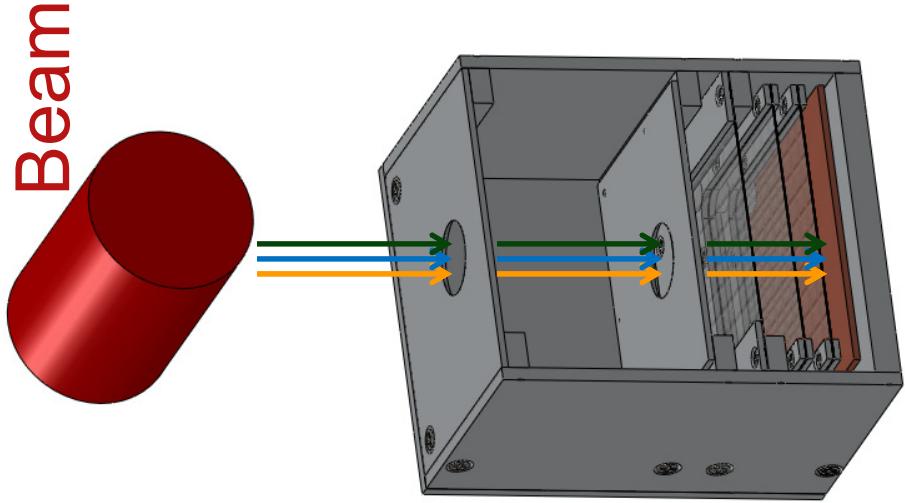
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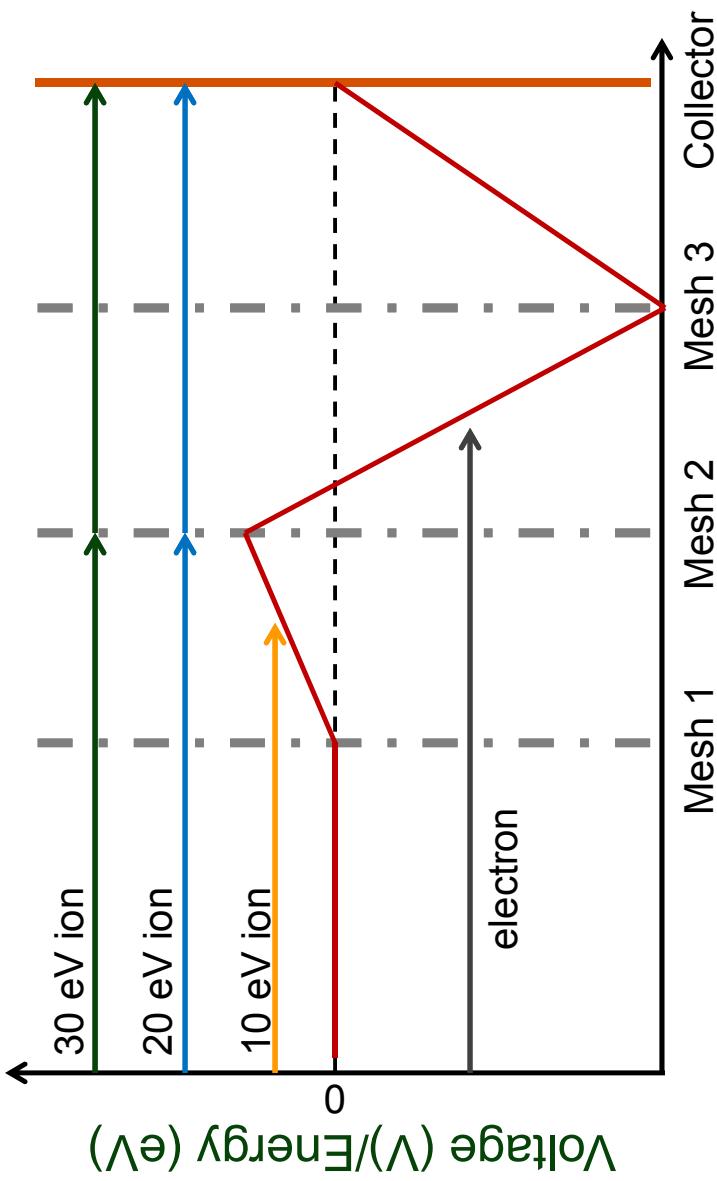
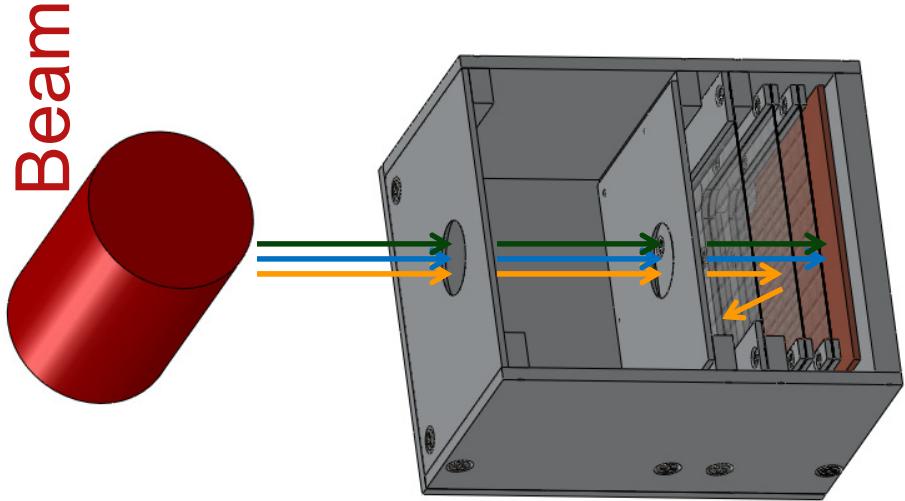
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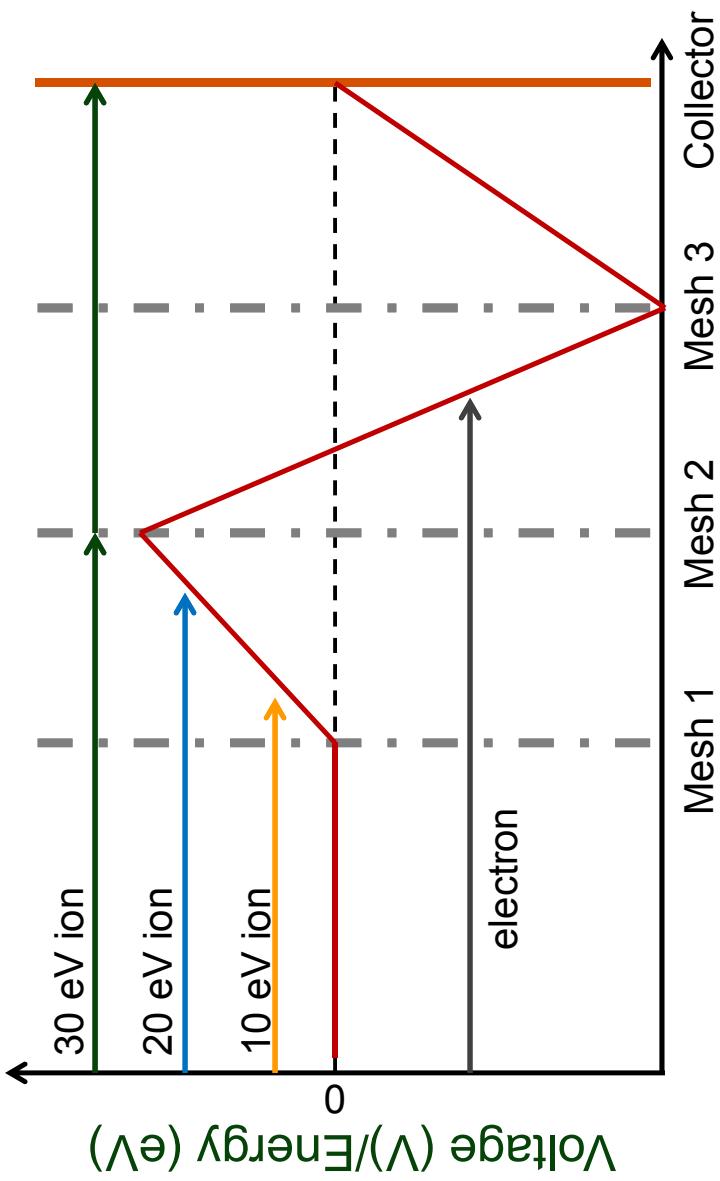
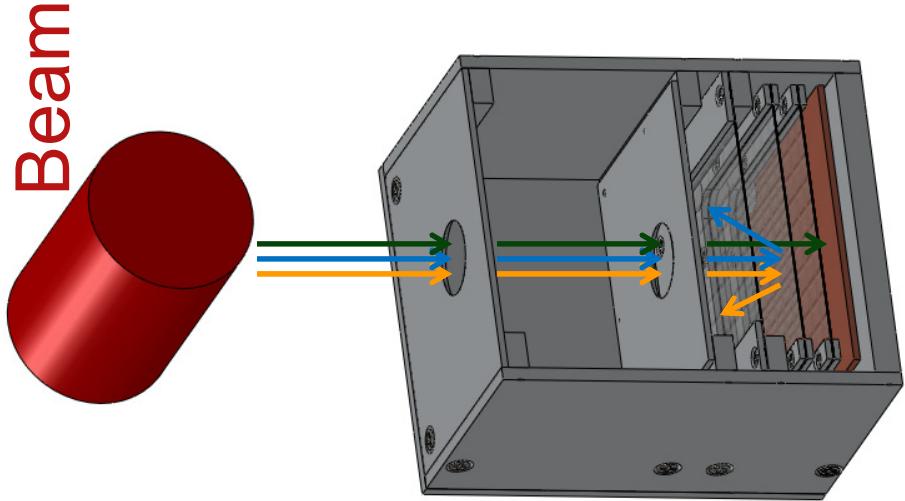
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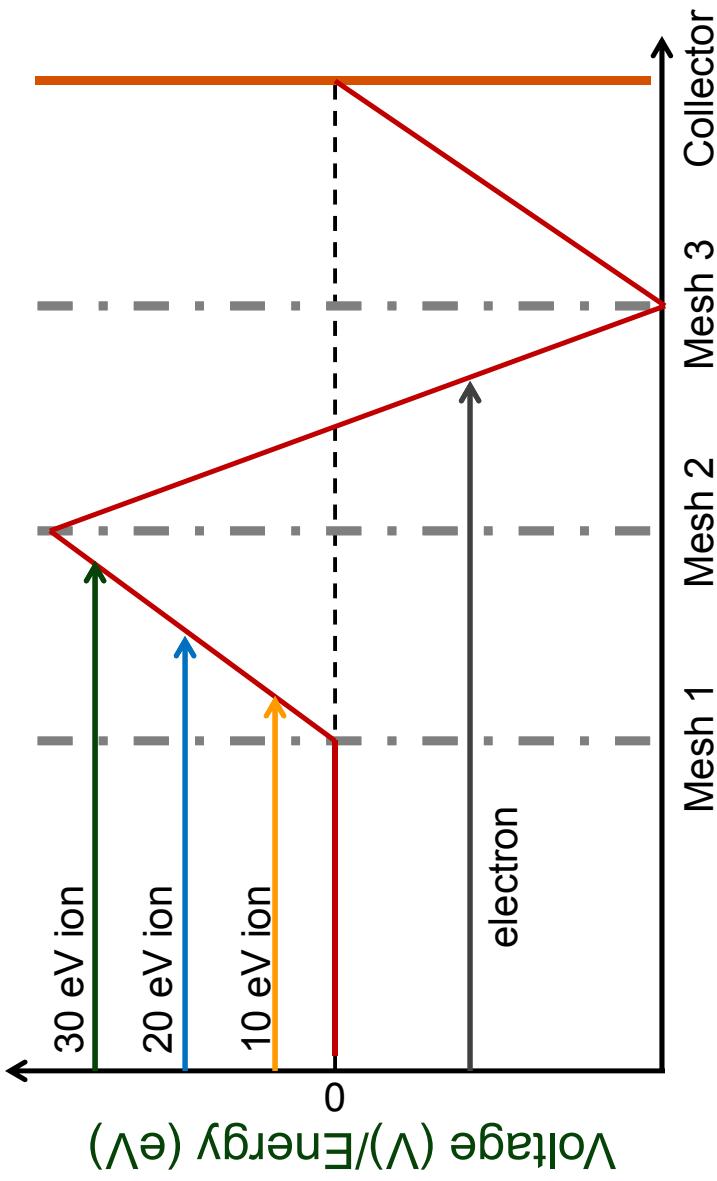
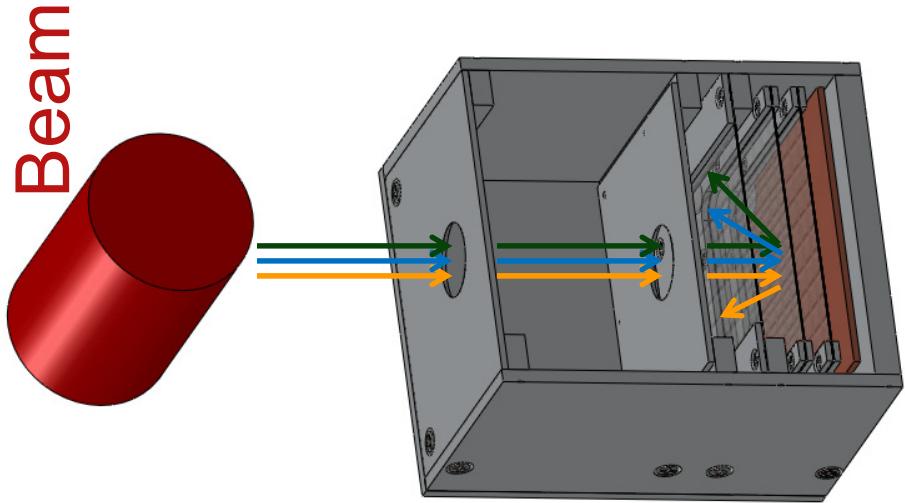
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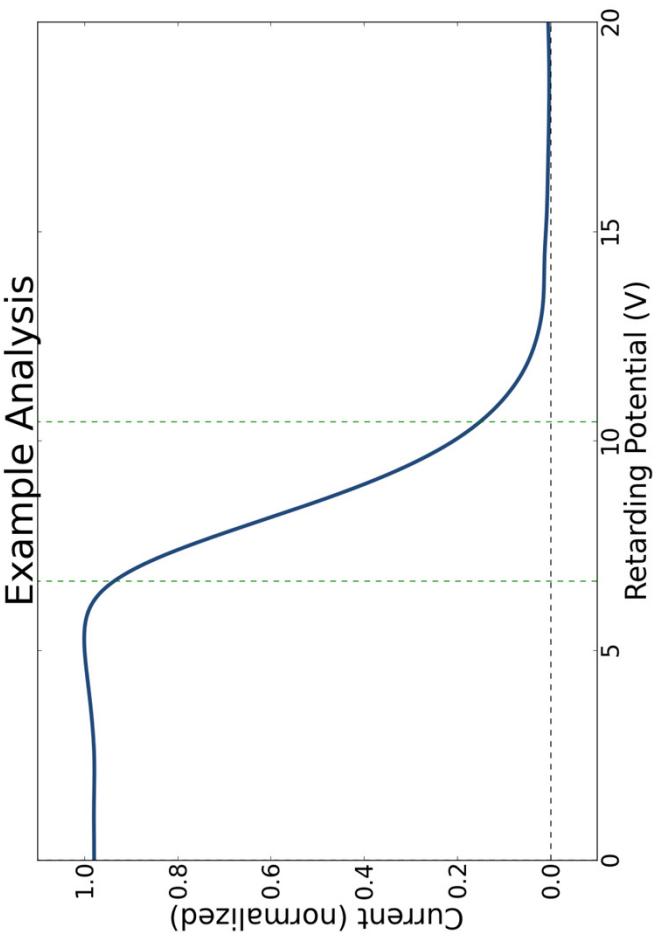


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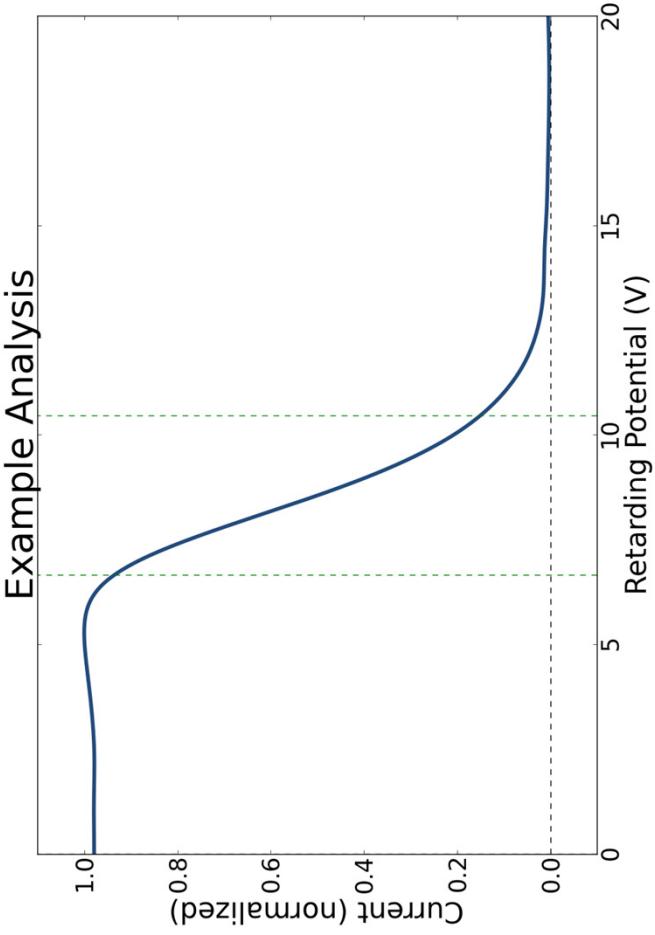
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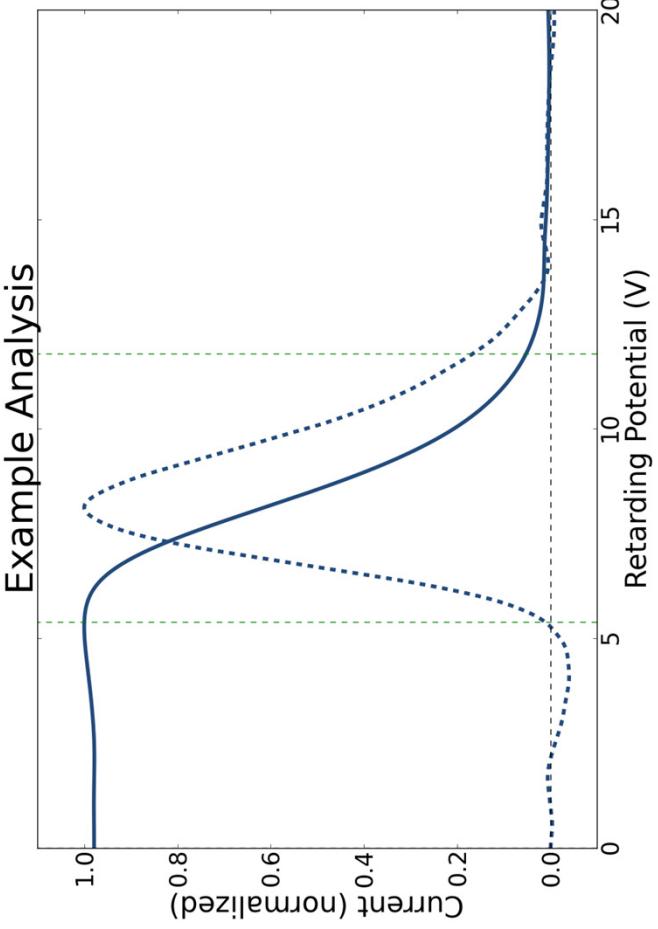
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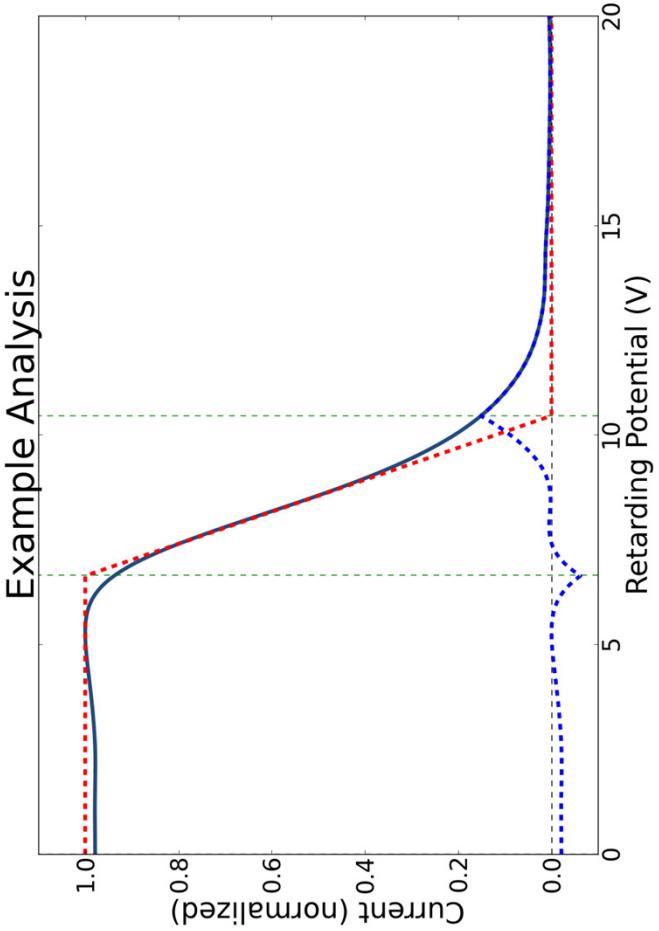
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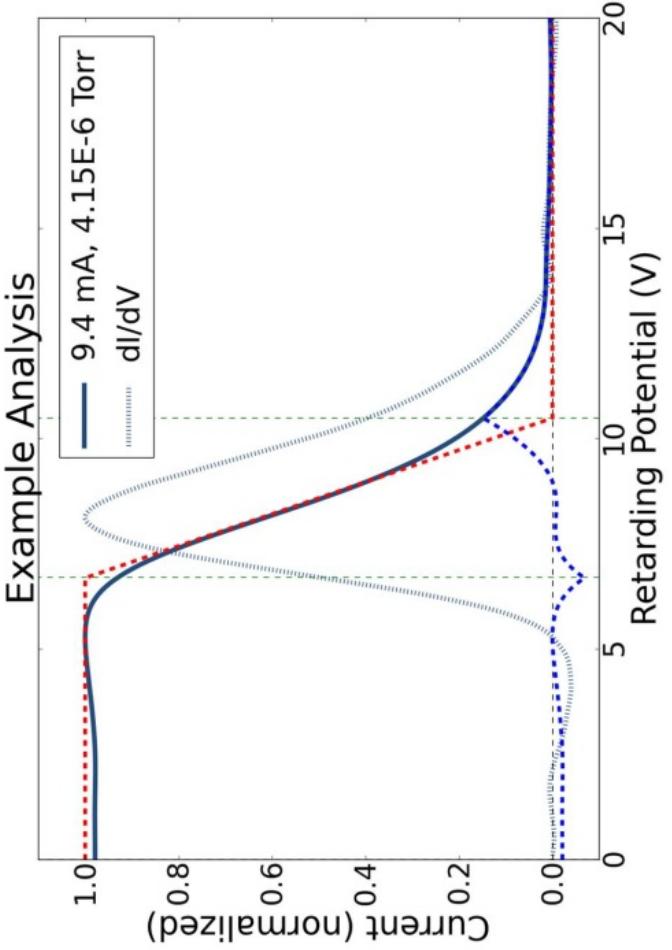
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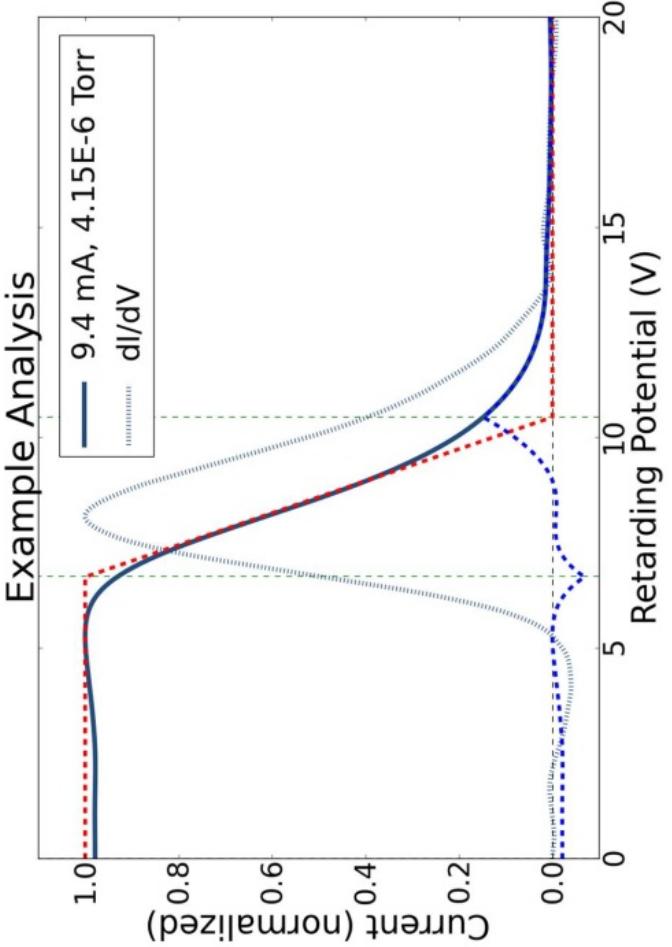
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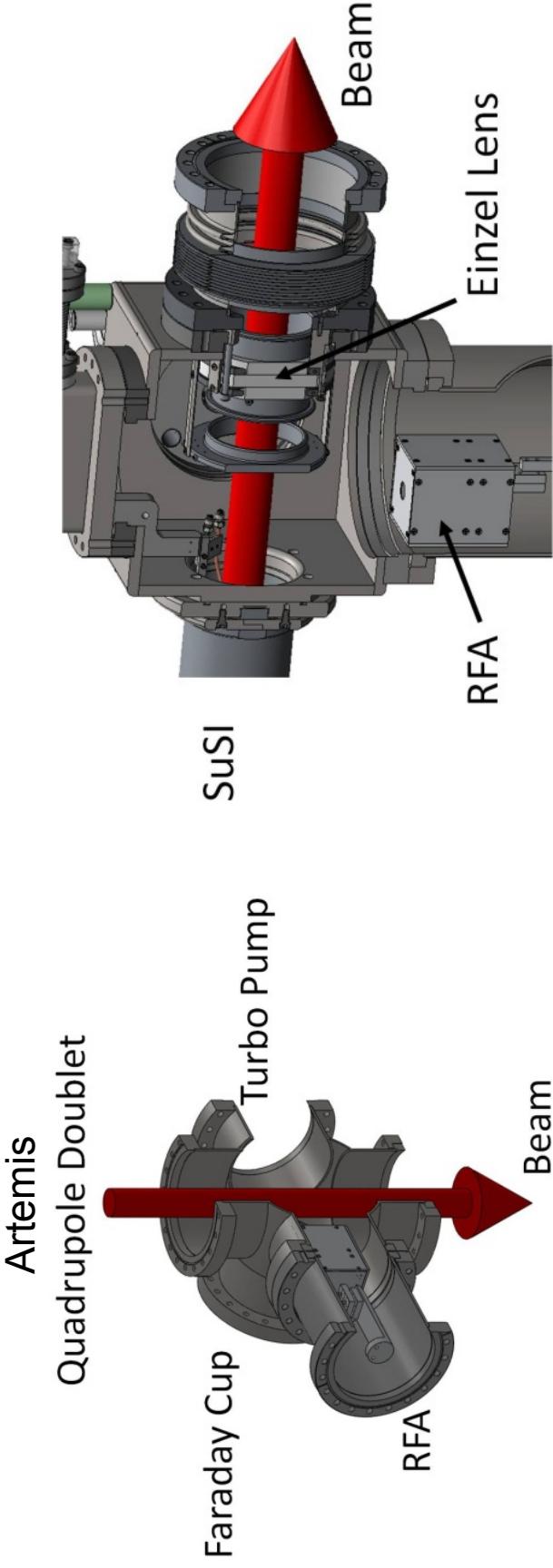


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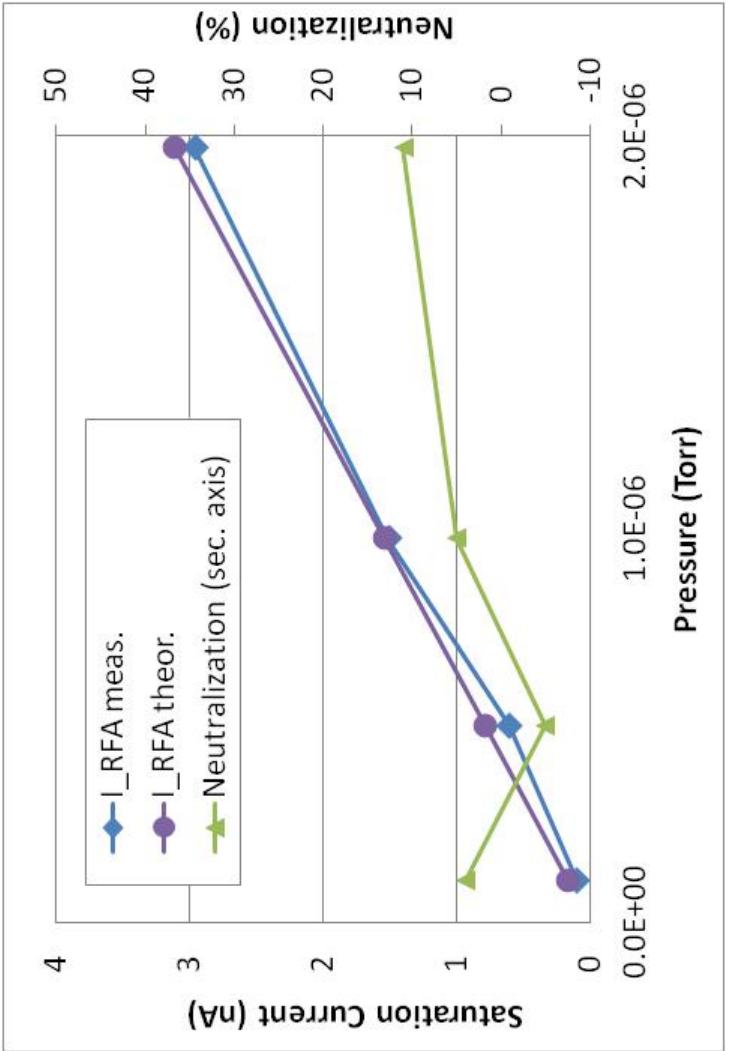
# RFA Measurement Positions (Artemis A, SuSI, LEDA)



- Artemis A: The RFA is located between source and the analyzing magnet after an electrostatic quadrupole doublet.
- SuSI: RFA is located in diagnostic box 1 ~46 cm after the plasma aperture
- LEDA injector source: RFA is located in a diagnostic box ~50 cm after the plasma aperture

# Artemis Measurements

- First measurements
- Only one aperture in Retarding Field Analyzer
- Electrostatic Quadrupole settings to maximize current in Retarding Field Analyzer
- Beam current measured with Faraday Cup = 550  $\mu\text{A}$
- Saturation Current in agreement with theoretical prediction from continuity equation with 40% transmission

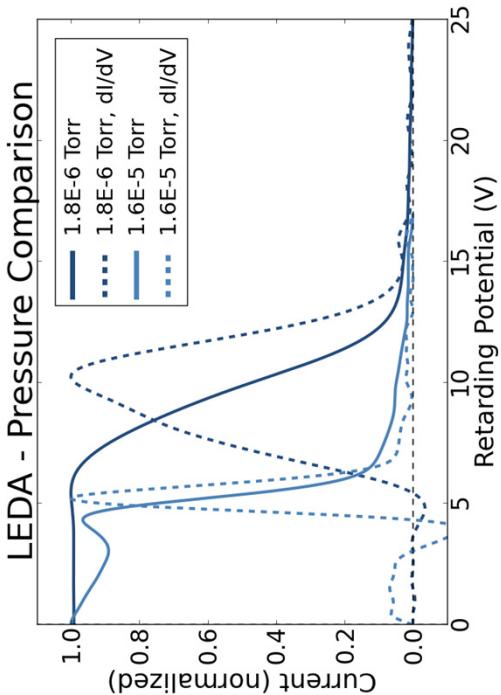
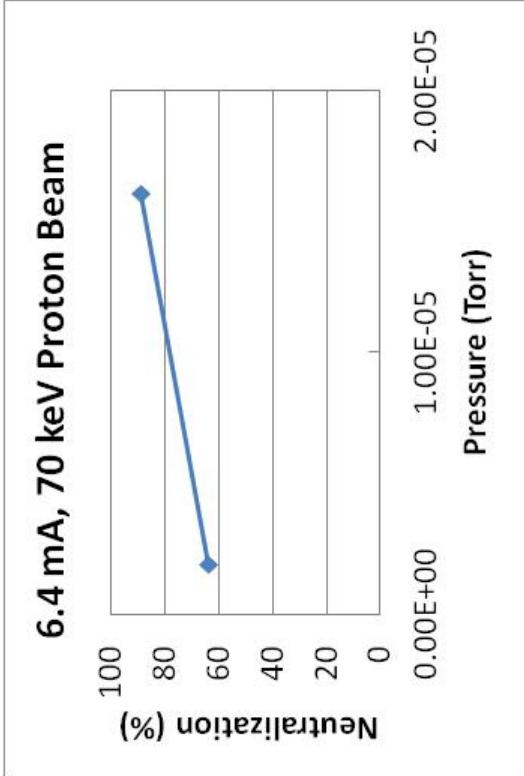
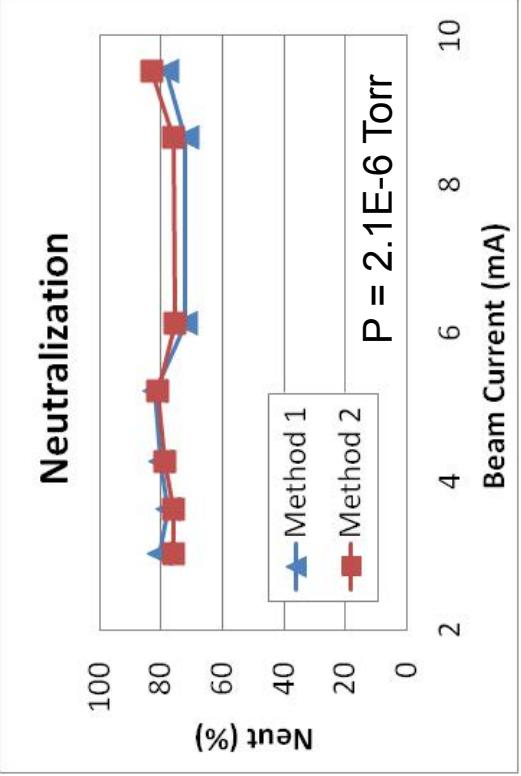
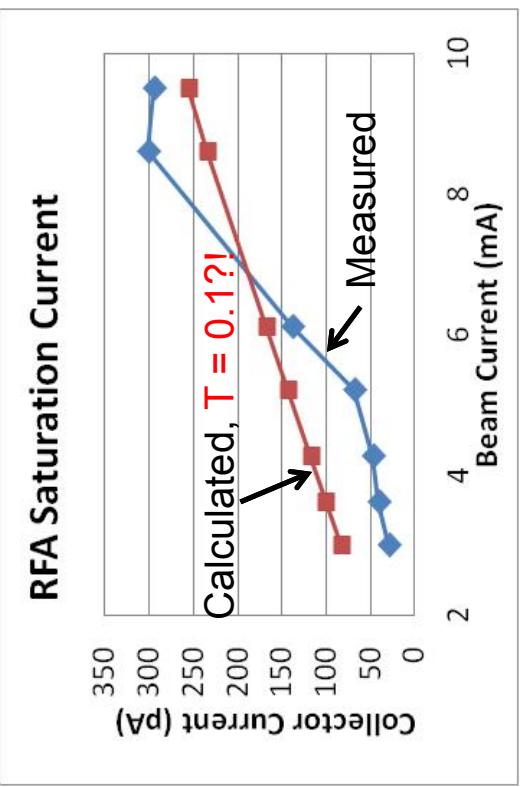


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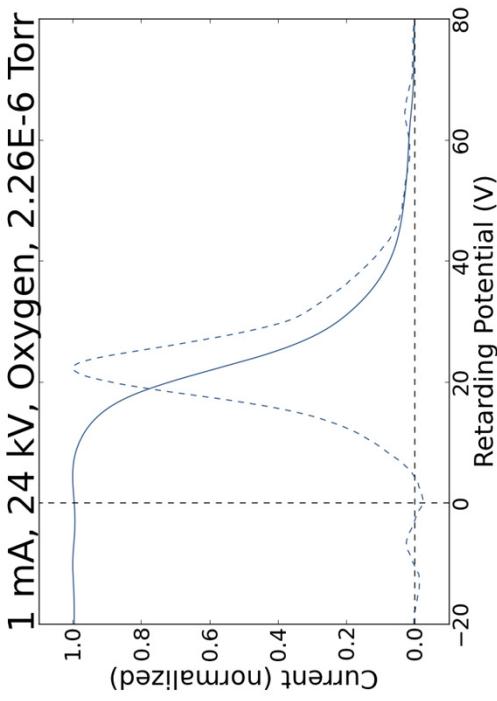
- More or less 0% neutralization, maybe slightly increasing tendency

# LEDA Measurements

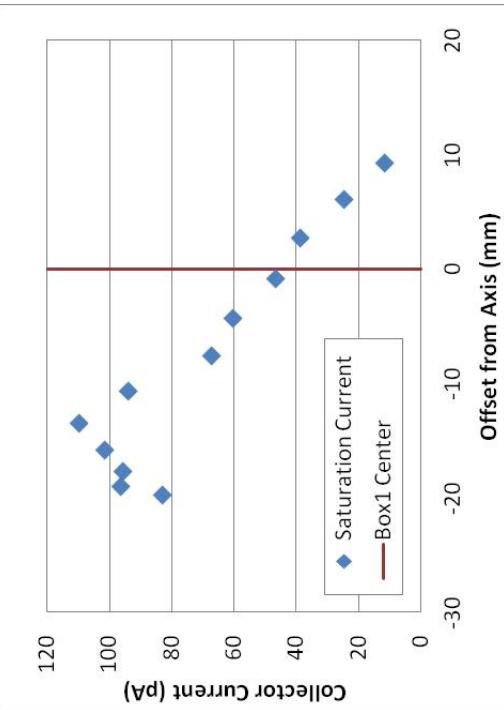
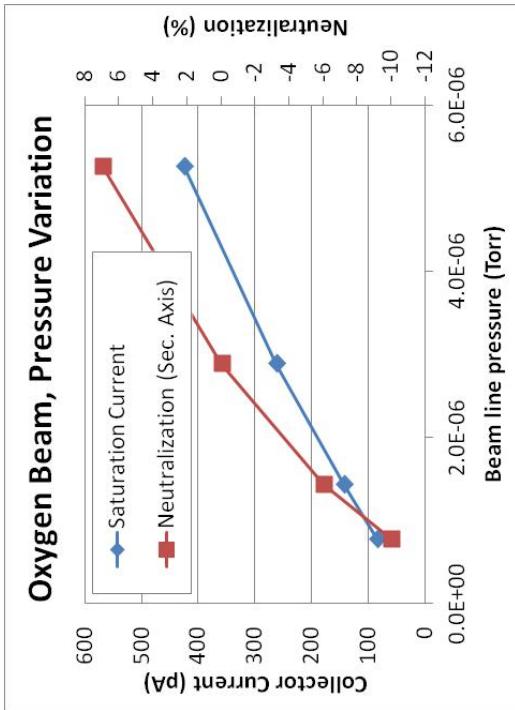
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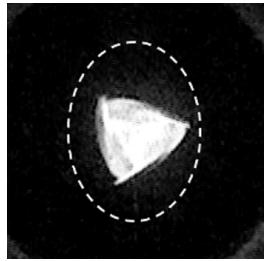
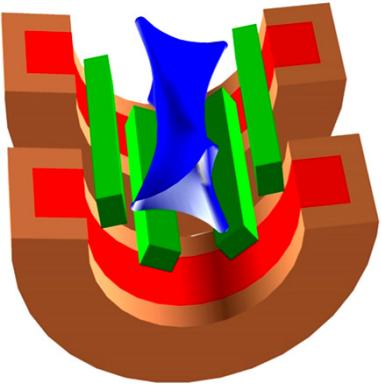


- $\Delta\Phi_{\text{measured}} > \Delta\Phi_{\text{uncompensated}}$   
→ "negative" neutralization X
- Moving Retarding Field Analyzer perpendicular to beam: Asymmetry

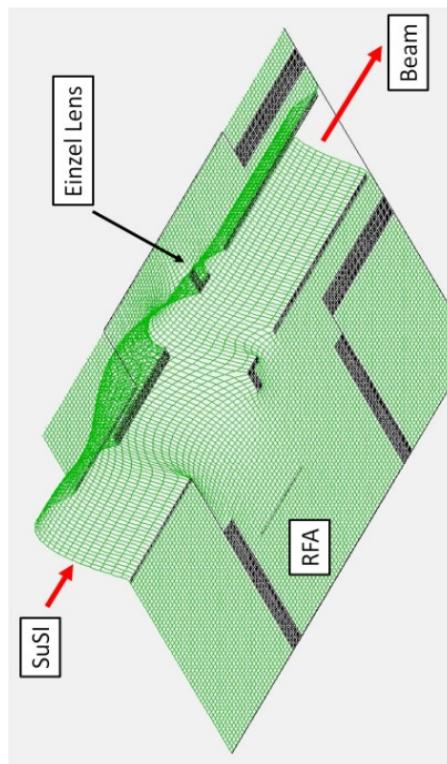
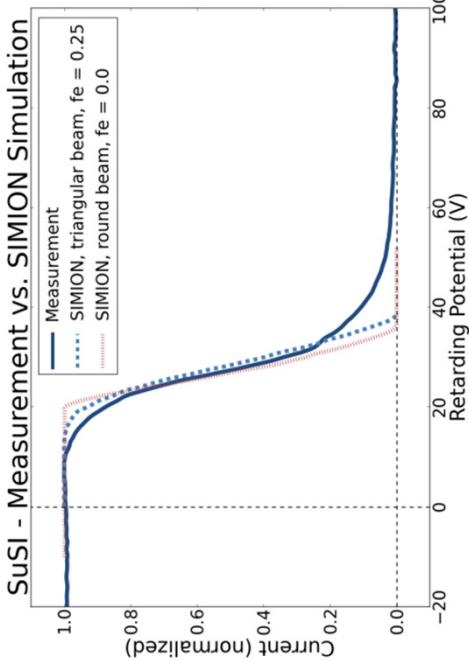


# Complexity of Measuring ECR neutralization

- Triangular Beams
- Multiple Species
  - ionization cross-sections depend on charge state
- Beam lines not infinite pipes concentric with beam!
  - → Longitudinal v-component
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# Summary and Conclusions



- A new Retarding Field Analyzer was built at the NSCL
- Extensive Simulations have been conducted to determine the feasibility of the design and the theoretical resolution.
- Preliminary measurements have been carried out at three different sources (SuSI, Artemis and LEDA injector source), all three currently at the NSCL.
- The measurements showed trends that neutralization increases with pressure and/or beam current, which is in accord with previous results by other groups.
- These measurements also suggest, that in the current low energy beam line configurations of SuSI and Artemis only low neutralization can be observed.
- But: Some behaviors unexplained → future work

# Outlook

- Measure Beam Cross-Sections with Quartz or KBr beam viewer
- As the neutralization can change throughout the LEBT, **alternative positions for the retarding field analyzer** will be explored in order to obtain a more complete picture of neutralization in ECR LEBTs
- Investigate asymmetric beams further through simulation (and possibly running ECR sources with and without sextupole).
- Further investigate current reduction with 2<sup>nd</sup> aperture.
- Build/borrow? a small electron gun to do calibration measurements in order to confirm the theoretical accuracy and resolution.



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