

FECRAL: First **F**ourth generation **ECR** ion source with **A**dvanced design in **L**anzhou

FECRAL - a 45 GHz fourth generation ECR ion source and its technical challenge

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HIAF: High Intensity heavy ion Accelerator Facility

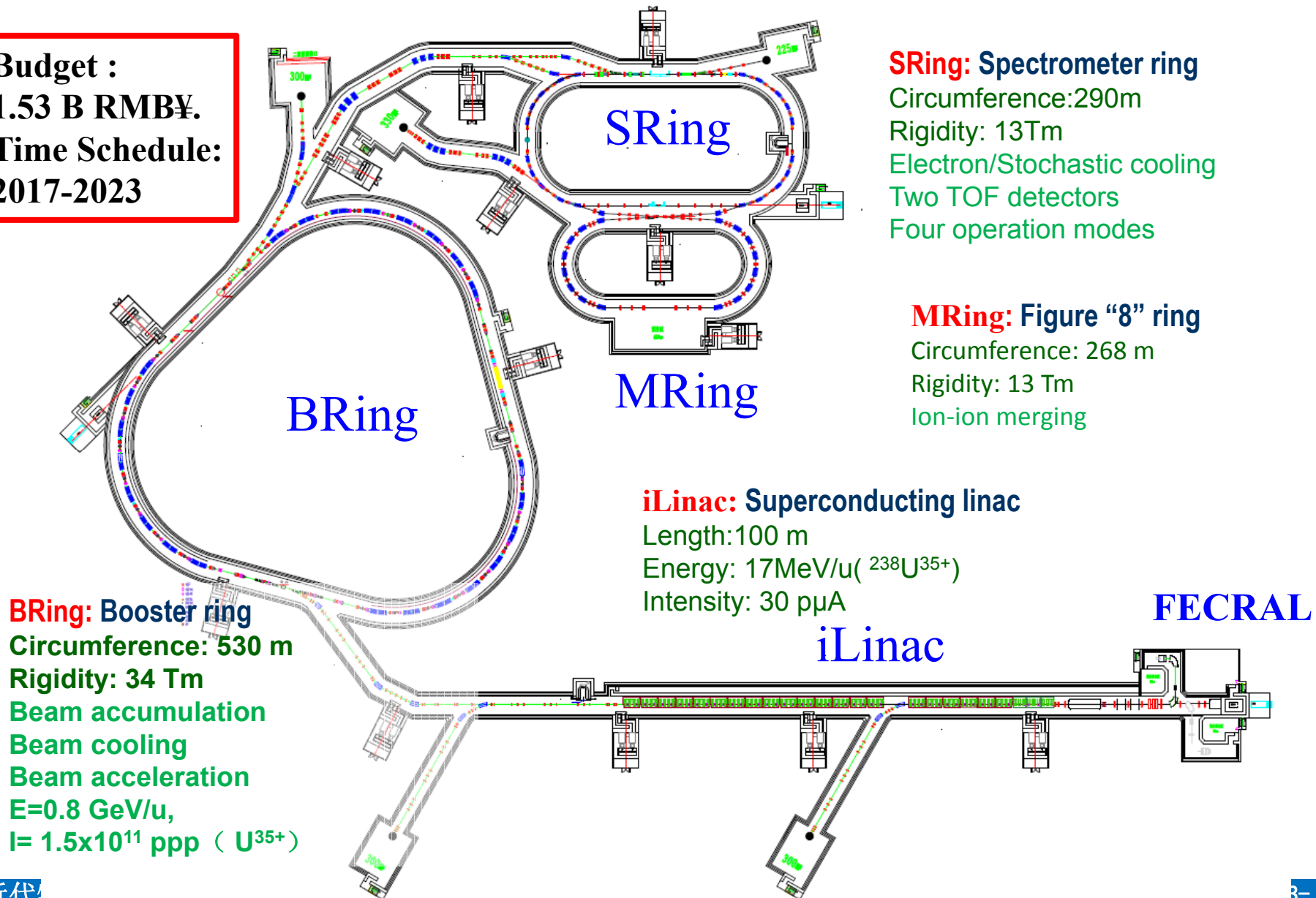
FECRAL: First Fourth generation ECR ion source with Advanced design in Lanzhou



HIAF Layout ----Phase I



Budget :
1.53 B RMB¥.
Time Schedule:
2017-2023





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$^{238}\text{U}^{35+}$	Pulsed	40 pμA
	CW	20 pμA

Ion source be able to produce:

$^{238}\text{U}^{35+}$	Pulsed	>50 pμA
	CW	>30 pμA

LBNL VENUS : CW $^{238}\text{U}^{35+}$: 10-12 pμA

Challenging !!



FECRAL key parameters and goal



FECRAL key parameters

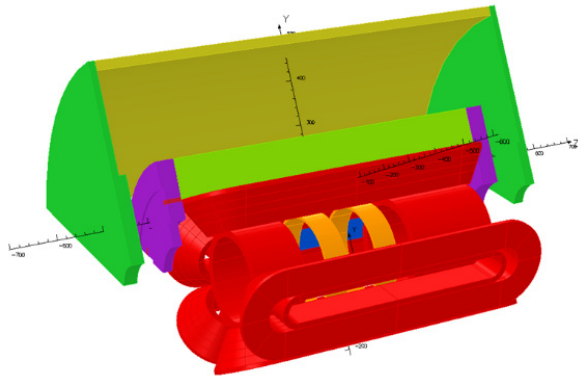
Parameters	Unit	FECRAL
Frequency	GHz	45
B_{ECR}	T	1.6
B_{inj}	T	>6.4
B_{extr}	T	3.2
B_{r}	T	>3.2
Mirror to mirror	mm	500
chamber ID	mm	150
Warm bore ID	mm	170
Extra. voltage	kV	50

FECRAL expected beams and intensities

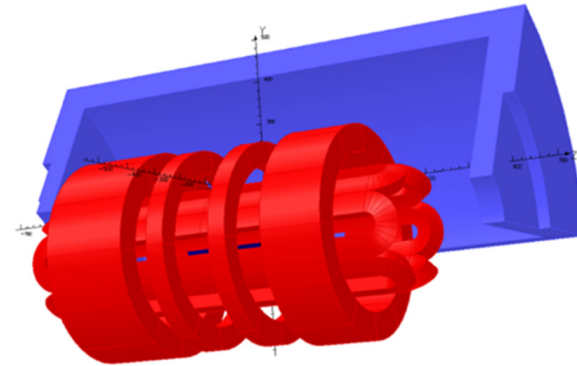
$^{129}\text{Xe}^{30+}$	>1000 μA
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$^{209}\text{Bi}^{31+}$	>1000 μA
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$^{238}\text{U}^{35+}$	>1000 μA
$^{238}\text{U}^{41+}$	200-400 μA
$^{238}\text{U}^{56+}$	30-100 μA



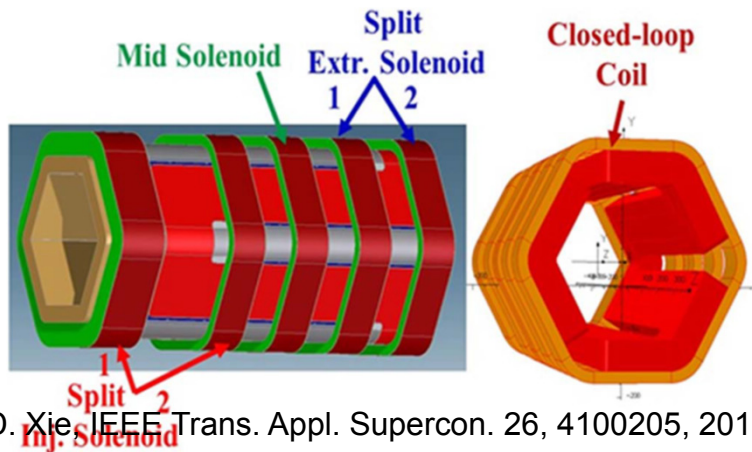
Options of FECRAL SC magnet



- Sol-In-Sext structure: SECRAL
- Maximum stress and loading factor too high

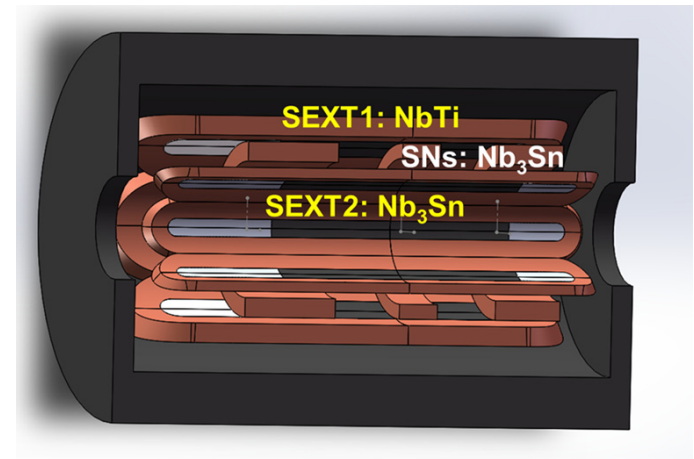


- Sext-In-Sol structure: conventional,...
- Stress acceptable. Engineering experience



D. Xie, IEEE Trans. Appl. Supercon. 26, 4100205, 2016.

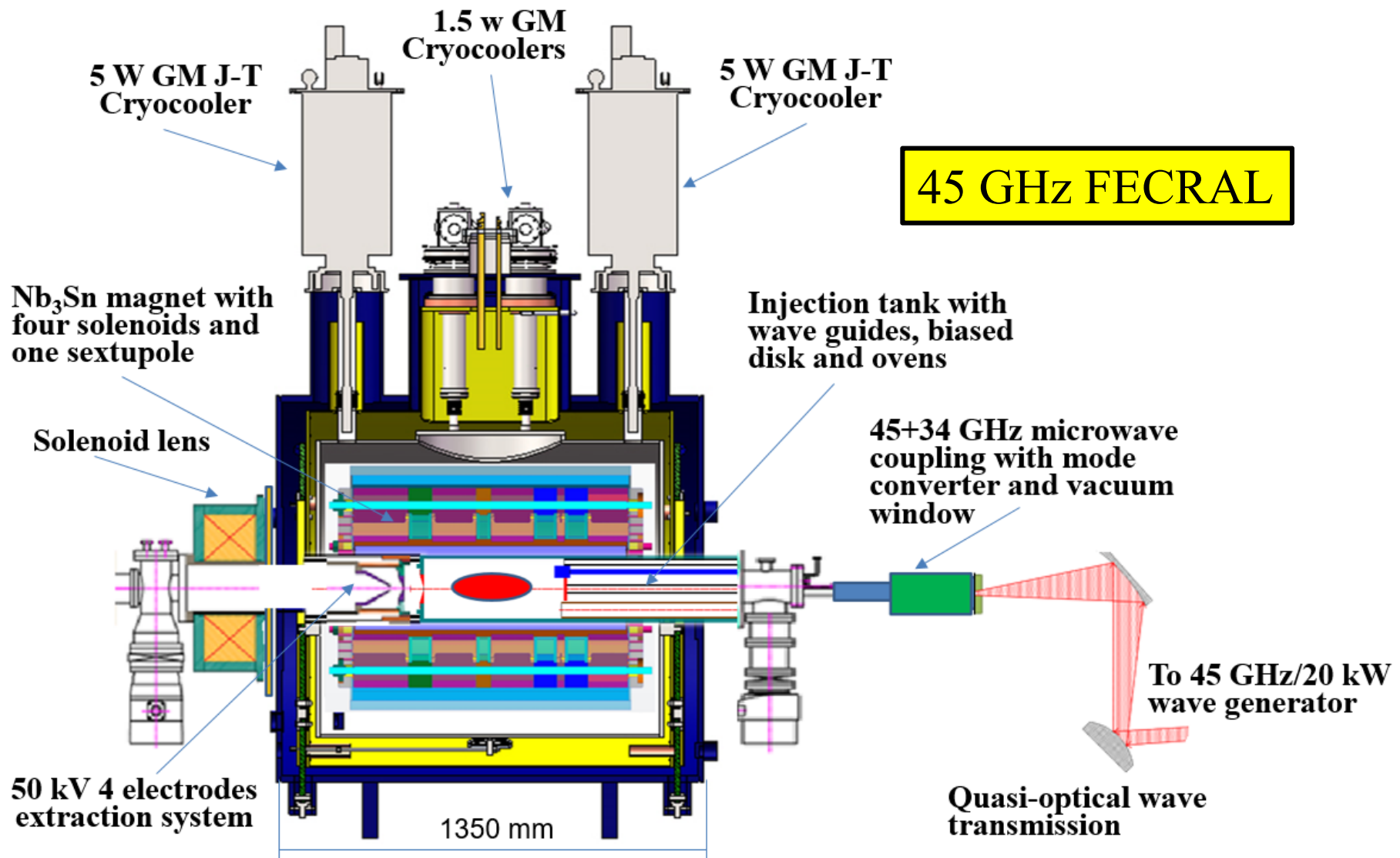
- MARS-D magnet proposed by D.Xie
- Engineering complicated and R&D needed



- Hybrid structure with two sextupole
- Engineering complicated and risky



FECRAL preliminary design

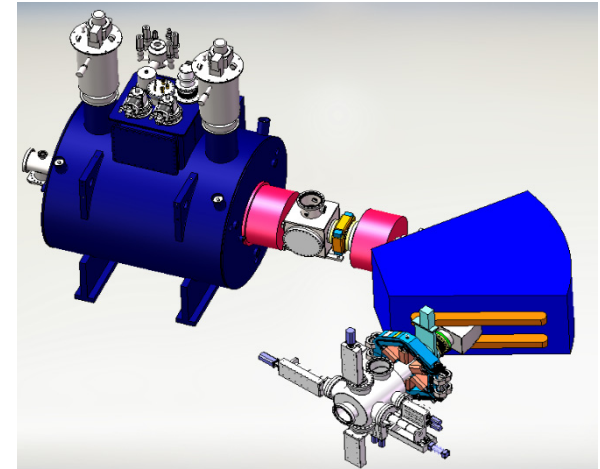




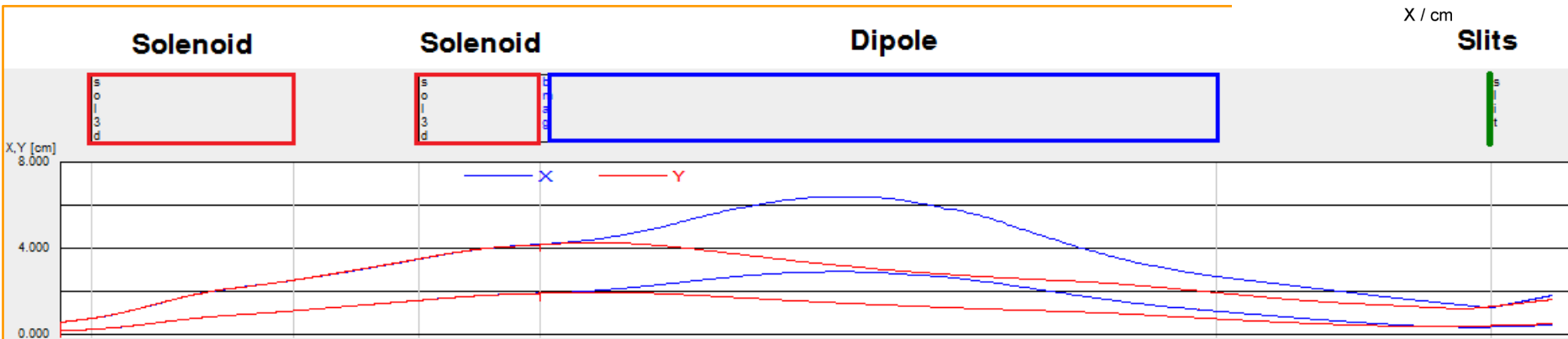
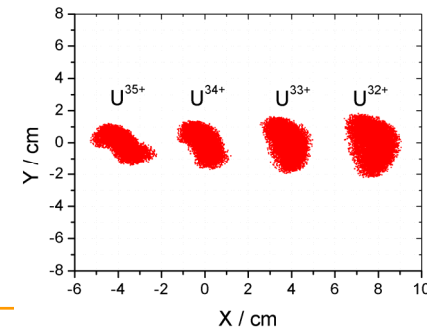
TWO SOLENOIDS and 110° bending magnet:

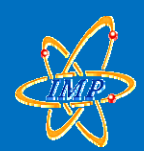
- ✓ Match for a wide range of ion beam species with different intensities.
- ✓ Improve the ion separation by reducing the beam size at the focal plane for intense heavy ion beams.
- ✓ Higher Q/A resolution.
- ✓ Create a right beam rotation angle
- Transverse coupling decorrelation.
- Correct phase space orientation for sextupole compensation

Y. Yang, WECO03



I_0 : 15 emA;
 I_{U35+} : 2 emA
 HV: 50 kV;
 SCC: 70%

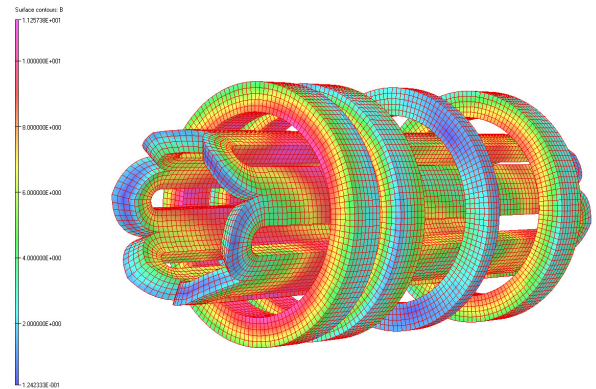
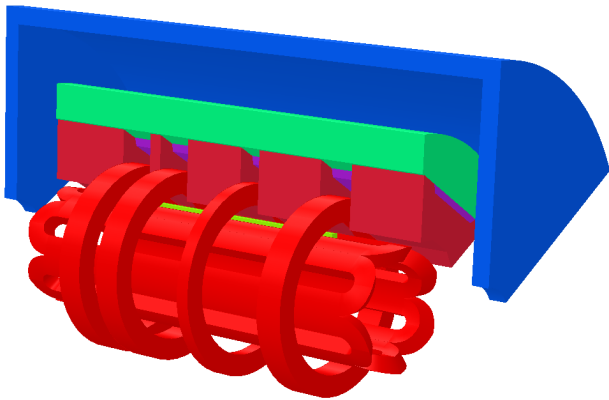




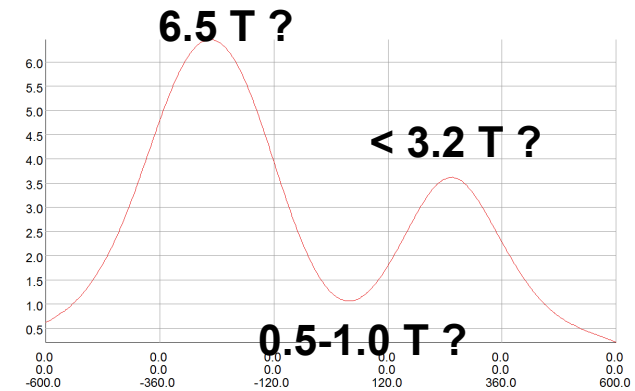
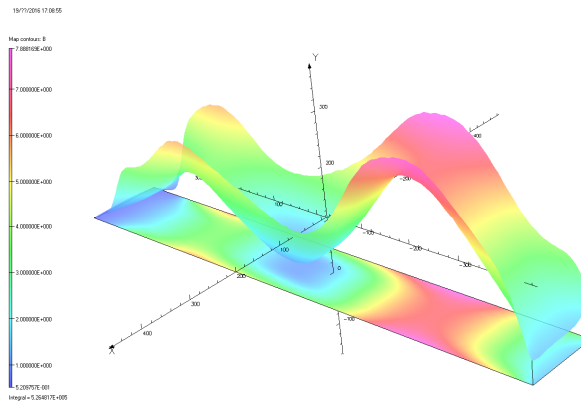
Magnet preliminary design—field distribution



- Sextupole and solenoids: single wire winding
- OST Nb₃Sn M-Grade Round wire: wire diameter 1.3 mm, isolated 1.43 mm
- Maximum peak fields on the sextupole coil and the injection coil: ~ 11 T
- Loading factor at operating designed currents: Sextuple: 76%, Inj-Sol: 75%.
- Maximum stress on the coil: < 160 MPa

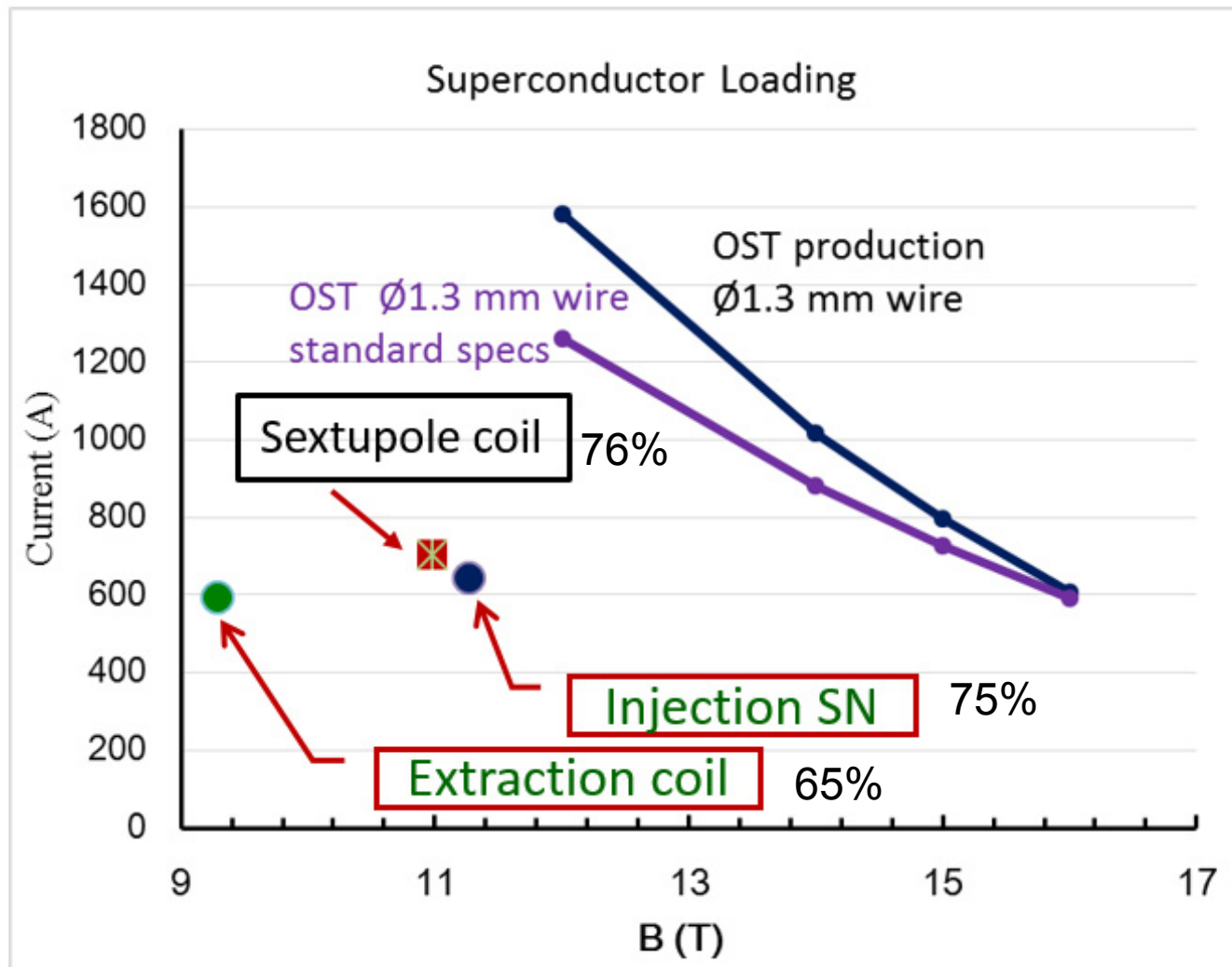


Nb₃Sn magnet design by collaboration with LBNL ATAP





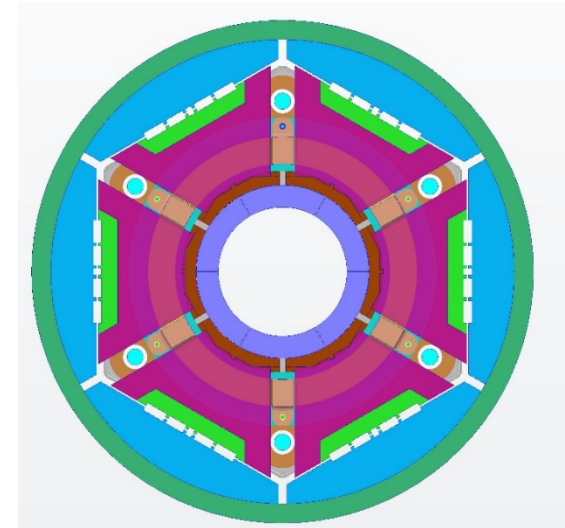
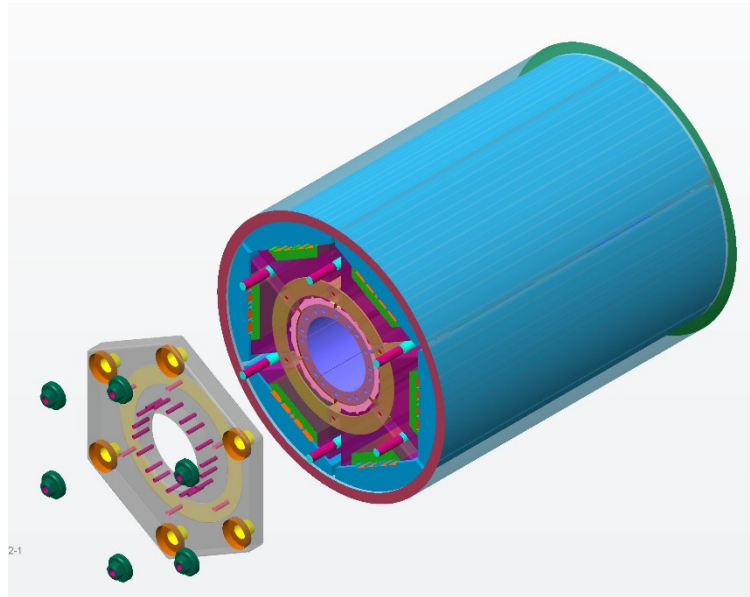
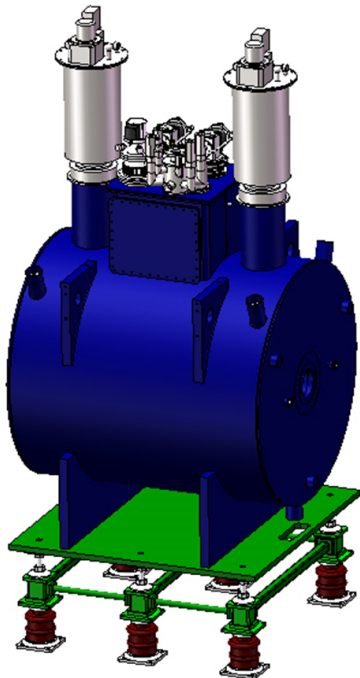
Magnet preliminary operation conditions



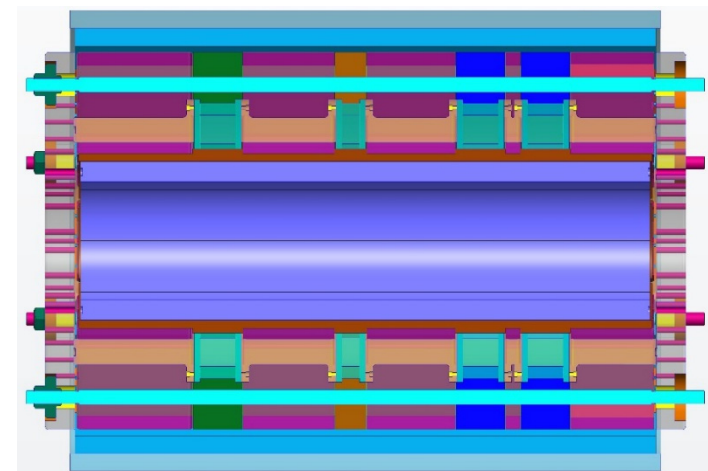


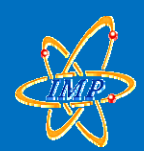
Magnet preliminary design—mechanical structure

Nb_3Sn magnet design by collaboration with ATAP/LBNL



- Mechanical support and clamping are provided by an Aluminum shell, iron yoke, iron pads and stainless steel collars.
- Assembly pre-load by pressurized bladders and interference keys technologies.
- Pre-loading increases during cool-down due to contraction of the shell, the yoke and the pads.

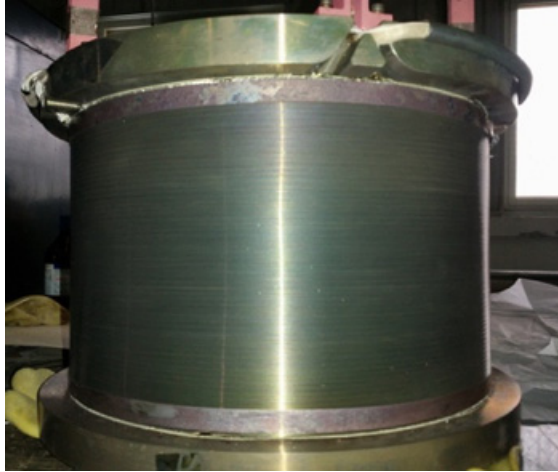




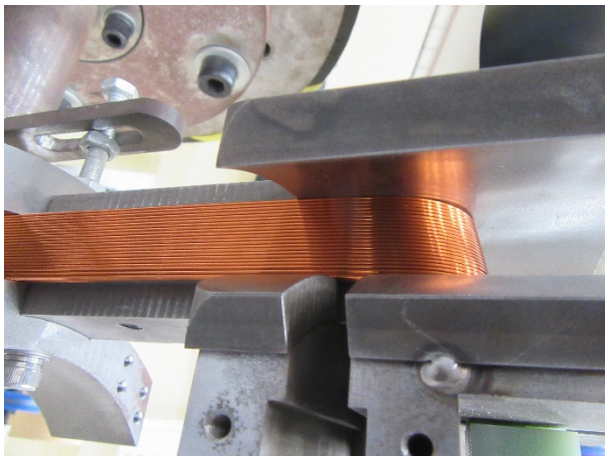
Nb_3Sn Magnet prototyping coils



FECRAL magnet will be fabricated by a Chinese company.



Nb_3Sn solenoid coil



Cu Sextupole coil winding for practice



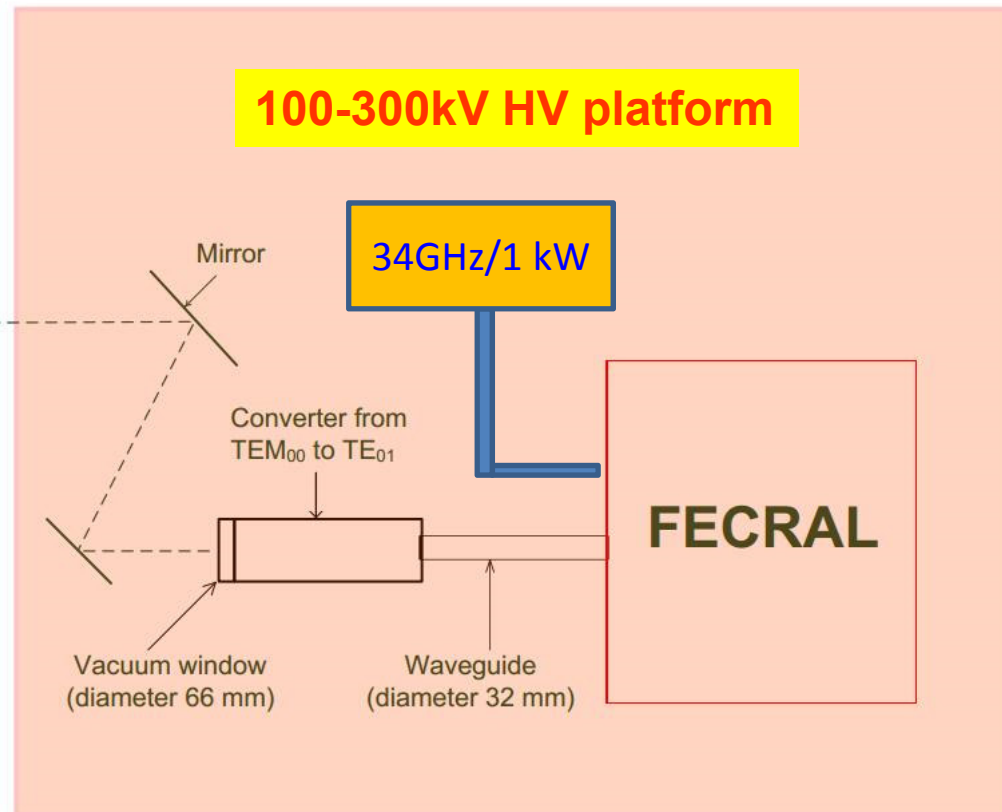
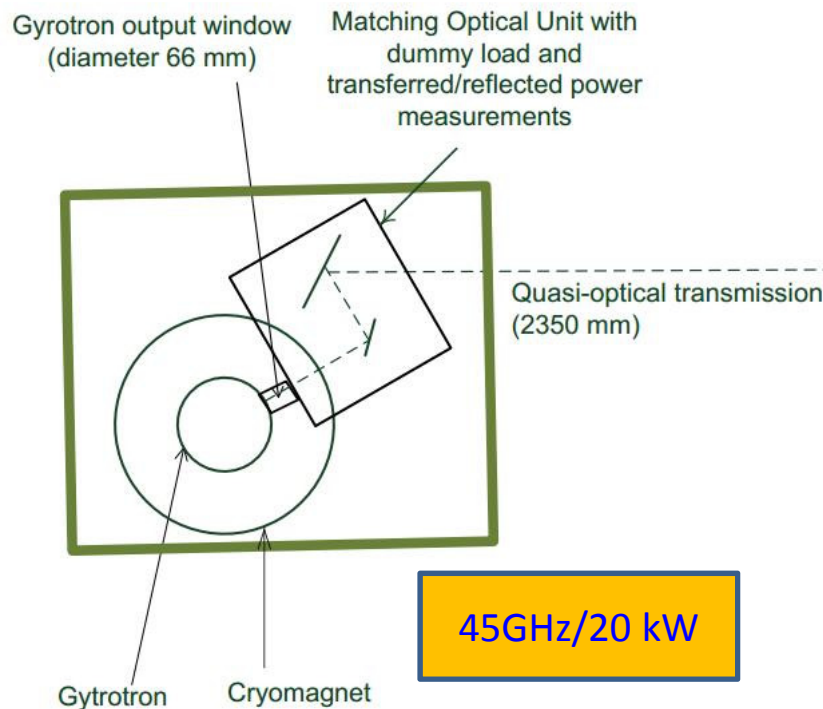
Nb_3Sn Sextupole coil winding



45 GHz/20 kW microwave coupling



- ◆ Gyrotron Output Mode: Quasi-optical
- ◆ Quasi-optical transmission for 100-300 kV isolation
- ◆ Rf coupling: TE_{01} with $\phi 32\text{mm}$ circular waveguide

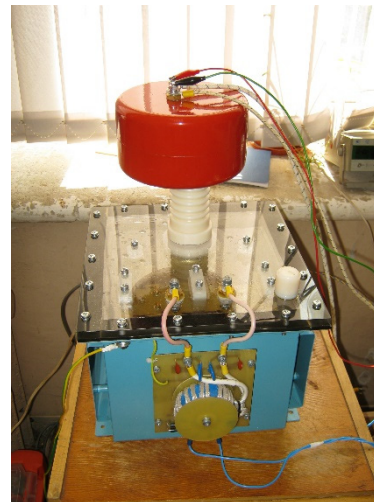
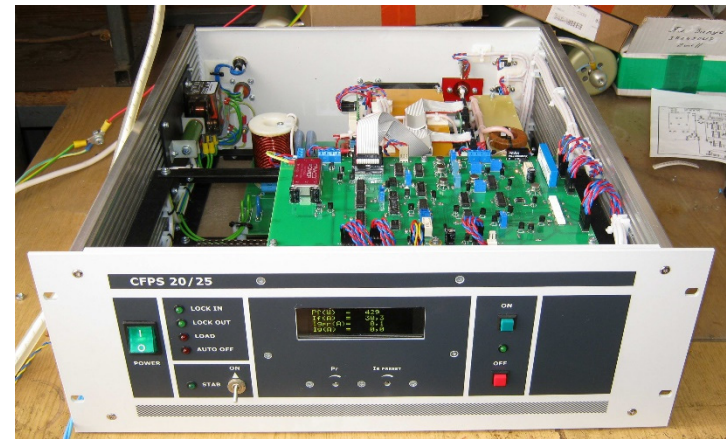




45 GHz/20 kW microwave generator



45 GHz/20 kW microwave generator is being manufactured by GYCOM, Russia.





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40-60 GHz scaling law

Challenge No.1

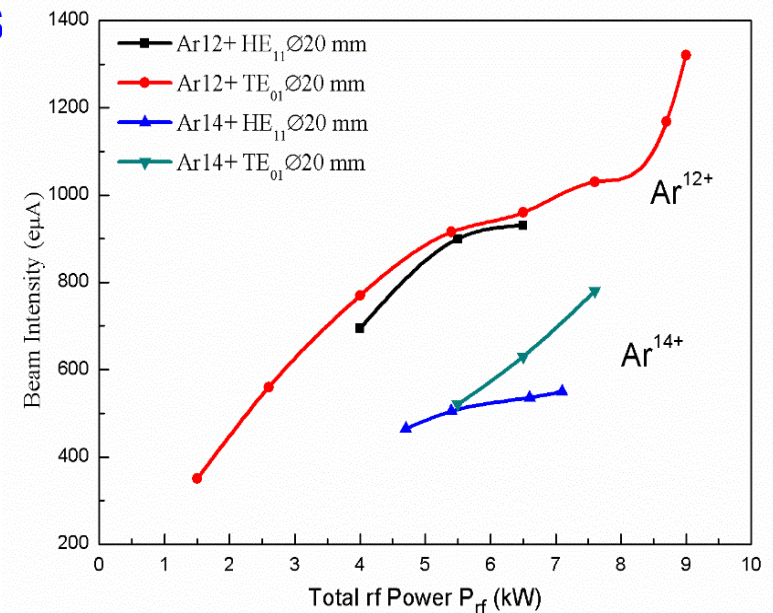
- 3rd Gen. ECRISs have been validated and demonstrated a perspective and excellent performance in terms of scaling law by significant gains on **I** and **Q**.
- Nevertheless, big potential for 3rd ECRISs to further boost the performance.
 - ✧ RF coupling
 - ✧ beam extraction
 - ✧
- ω_{rf} , **B**, **P_{rf}**, which one is more critical and dominant?

■ Claude Lyneis proposed the 4th Gen. ECRIS in terms of scaling law in 2006.

■ $I \propto \omega^2$ for 40-60 GHz ??

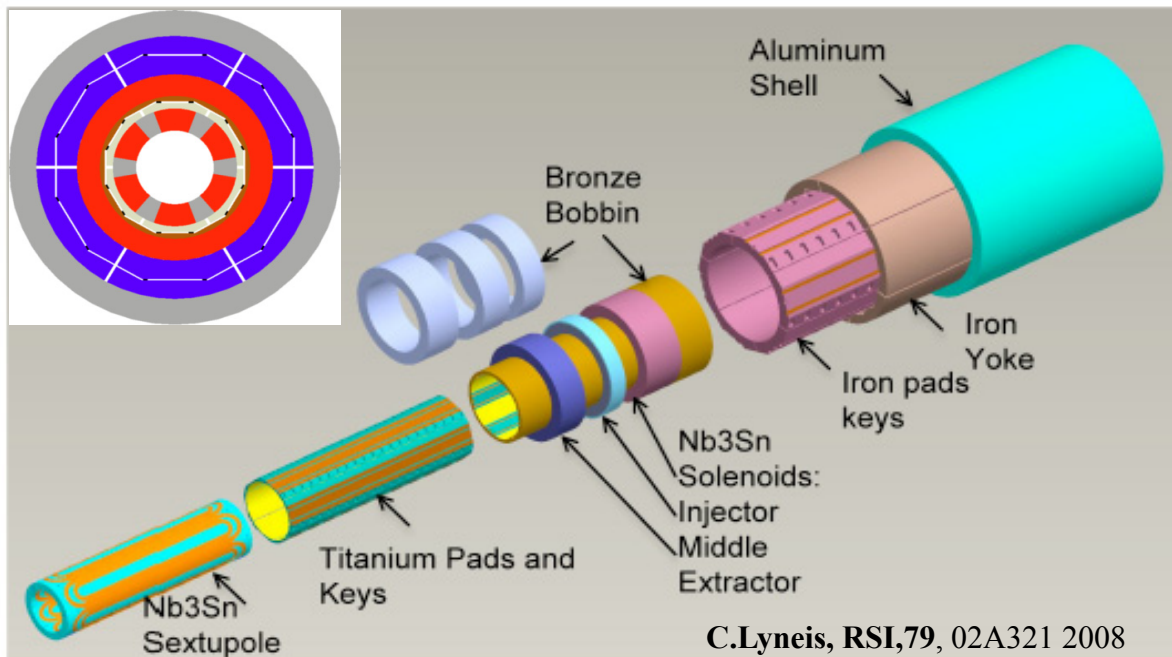
■ $B_{rad} = 2.0 B_{ecr}$, $B_{inj} = 4.0 B_{ecr}$
 $B_{min} = 0.5-0.7 B_{ecr}$, $B_{ext} = 2.0 B_{ecr}$??

■ Can 45 GHz FECRAL be able to operate at
 $B_{inj}=6.5$ T, $B_{min}=0.5-0.6$ T, $B_{extr}=3.2$ T, $B_{rad}=3.2$ T





- 56 GHz ECRIS proposed by LBNL 2006.
- **Keystone Rutherford cable. A lot experiences from accelerator magnets. Less energizing V/m for the cable. Fast energy release during quench.**
- High currents for the magnet (8-10 kA), no such HTC leads available, and big size for the magnet power supply.
- Need independent refrigerator or LHe directly from cryogenic plant.
- Difficult to handle at the HV platform



C.Lyneis, RSI,79, 02A321 2008

Magnet challenge

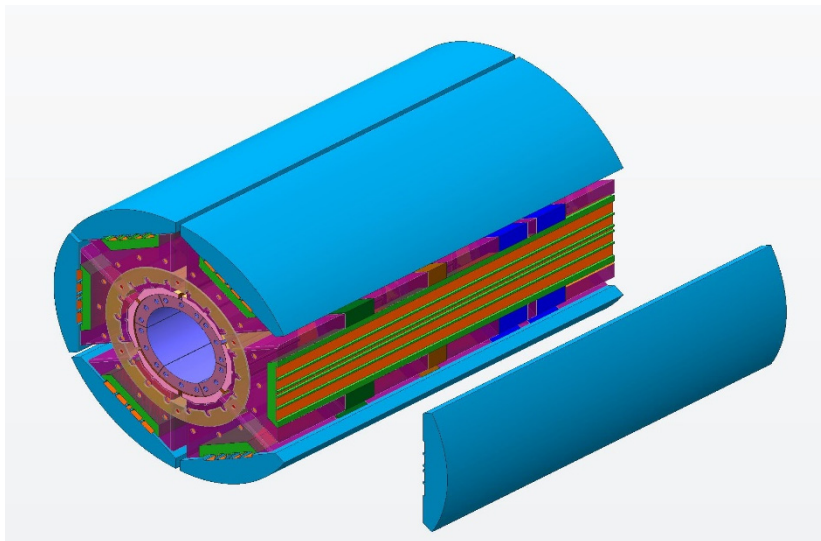
- High peak fields: > 10 T
- High stress: >150 Mpa
- Nb₃Sn solenoids and Sext.
- Engineering challenging and little experience.



Nb₃Sn magnet for 4th Gen. ECRIS



- 45 GHz FECRAL Nb₃Sn magnet with single wire winding;
 - Low current for the magnet coils, HTC leads available; GM cryocoolers cooling magnet. Small size for the magnet power supply. Suitable for the HV platform.
 - Less manufacturing experience for high field Nb₃Sn magnet with single wire winding.
 - Quite long length wire requested and high charging V/m for the wire.
 - Optimization to reduce peak fields and stress on the conductor.
 - Difficult to handle quench protection and safety issue.
 - Complicated mechanical-clamping and pre-stress structure.



Cold-mass of FECRAL
Nb₃Sn magnet



- Only IAP/Nizhny Novgorod ever tested successfully 37GHz and 75GHz coupling for ECRIS with quasi-optical transmission, but not for highly charged ECRIS.
- **24-28 GHz microwave coupling to 3rd Gen ECRIS not well understood;**
- **How to design an optimum and efficient quasi-optical transmission and coupling system for a 45 GHz highly charged ECR plasma?**

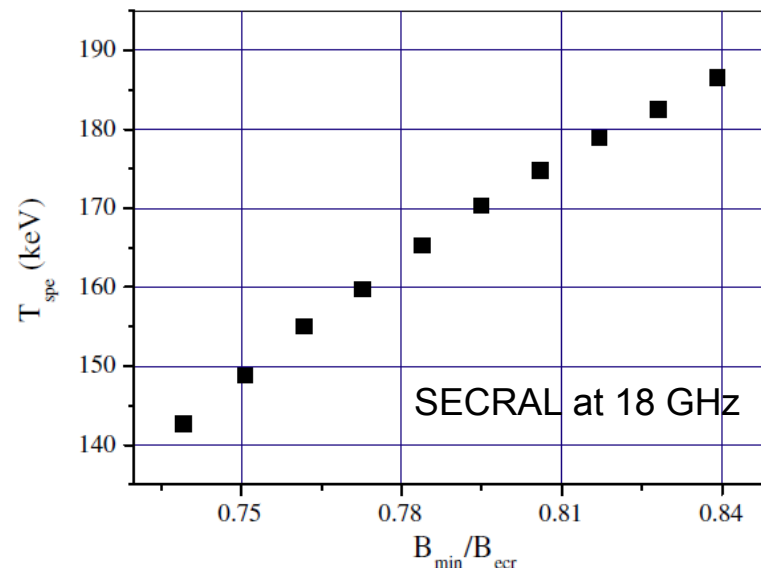
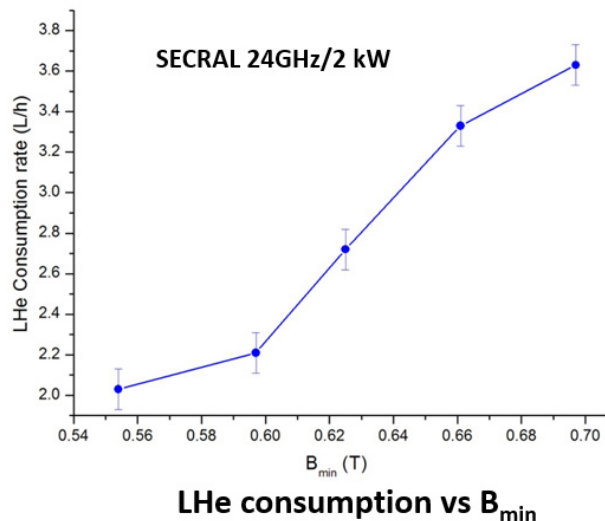
3rd -4th Gen ECRIS need urgently experts who know microwave engineering and plasma heating. Collaboration with fusion people?



High 4.2 K dynamic heat load

Challenge No.4

- **High flux x-ray heating to the magnet due to strong Bremsstrahlung**
- Rough estimation from SECRAL operating at 24 GHz 7-9 kW
7-9 kW rf power $\Rightarrow$ 1-4W heat load for 24GHz.
- **How about the heat load for 45 GHz 10-20 kW ECR heating ?**
- **How to get a compromise between good performance and low heat loading?**



H.Y.Zhao, Plasma Sources Sci. Technol. 18 (2009) 025021

- Uranium will be one of the most important and challenging beams for projects like HIAF, FRIB, FARE...
- Oven operational temperature $> 2000\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, long-term operation challenging.
- LBNL VENUS achieved the best results for U beams with oven technology

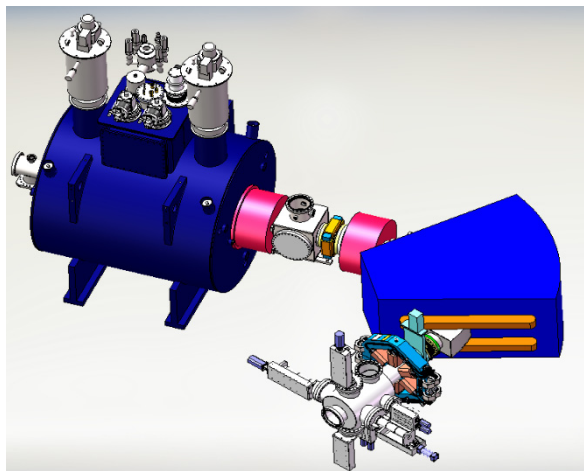


$^{238}\text{U}^{33+}$	450e μA
$^{238}\text{U}^{34+}$	400e μA
$^{238}\text{U}^{50+}$	13e μA

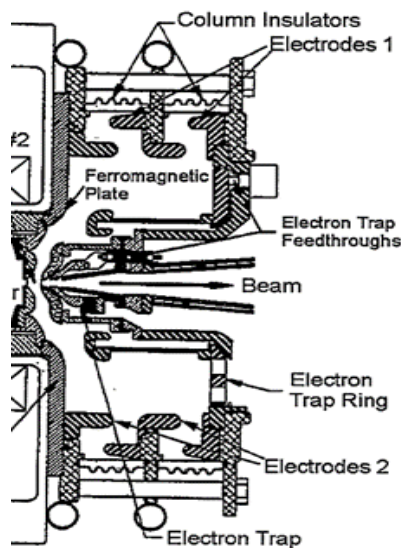
- Some new technologies should be developed for U beam production, such as, by using laser and electron beam to evaporate U metal, which is under development at IMP.



- **SECRAL:** $^{209}\text{Bi}^{30+}$ and $^{209}\text{Bi}^{31+}$ beam tests at 5kW@25 kV, total beam current **~13 emA**.
Total transmission efficiency to the Faraday-cup **< 50%!**
- **VENUS:** $^{238}\text{U}^{33+}$ and $^{238}\text{Bi}^{34+}$ beam tests at 8 kW @22 kV, total beam current **>9 emA**.
Total transmission efficiency to the Faraday-cup only **55%!** (G. Machicoane ECRIS12)
- Reason for such low transmission efficiency:
Space charge and LEBT design??
- What is the optimum beam extraction and transport for FECRAL ??



FECRAL and its beam transport



50 kV extraction ?
3-4 extrac. Electrodes ?

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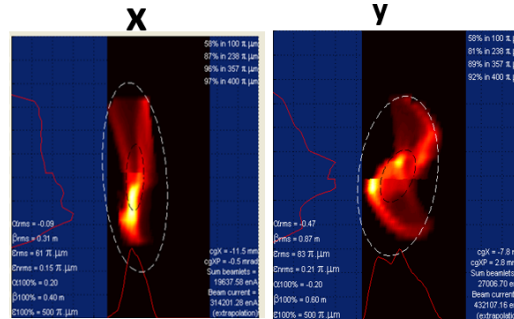


- FRIB requests ion source: $^{238}\text{U}^{33+}$ to $^{238}\text{U}^{34+}$: CW, 13 μA
HIAF requests ion source: $^{238}\text{U}^{35+}$: CW, 20 μA ; pulsed, 40 μA
ECRIS must be operated at RF power > 6 kW !
- **Challenge: beam quality and long-term stability !!**
- **No any ECRIS has demonstrated long-term operation at power > 6 kW !!**

SECRAL

24+18 GHz P= 3.5+0.3 kW
HV= 23 kV $I_0 = 10 \text{ e mA}$,
 $\text{Bi}^{31+} = 330 \text{ e}\mu\text{A}$
Beam: 90%-95%

$\epsilon_x \approx 200\text{-}350$ $\epsilon_y = 350\text{-}450 \text{ }\pi\mu\text{m rad}$

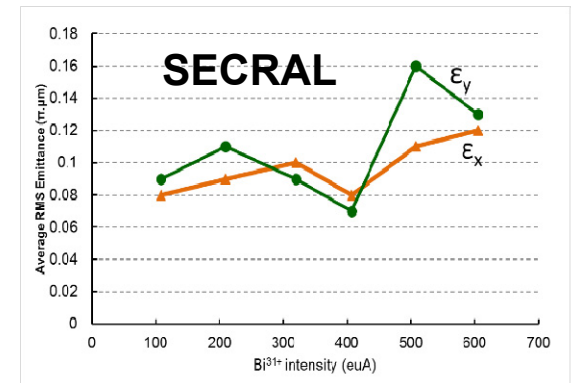
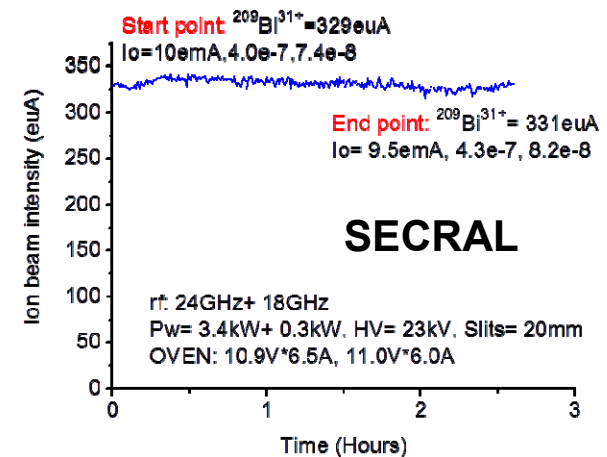
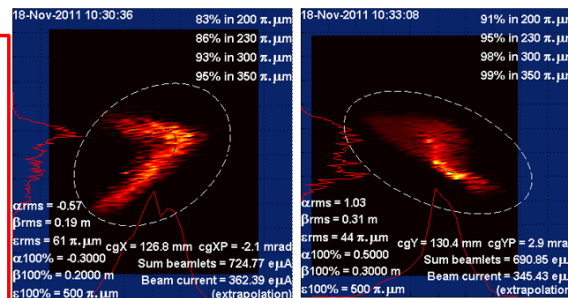


VENUS

28+18 GHz P= 6+1.8 kW
HV= 22 kV $I_{\text{extr}} = 7.5 \text{ e mA}$,
 $\text{U}^{33+} = 365 \text{ e}\mu\text{A}$
Beam: 90%-95%

$\epsilon_x = 200\text{-}350$ $\epsilon_y = 200\text{-}230 \text{ }\pi\mu\text{m rad}$

©G. Machicoane ECRIS2012





Summary



- **4th Gen. ECRIS, 45 GHz FECRAL is under technical design and is going to be built for HIAF project to deliver 40 pμA pulsed and 20 pμA $^{238}\text{U}^{35+}$.**
- **To build a successful 4th Gen. ECRIS FECRAL , the project team will focus on a few technical challenges, such as, high field Nb₃Sn magnet, 45 GHz wave optical transmission and coupling, high flux x-ray heating, high intensity beam extraction and transport, beam quality and long-term stability.**



Thank you very much for your attention !

We expect to collaborate with the groups who are interested in the 4th Gen. ECRIS.

**IMP is recruiting two postdocs for FECRAL source development.
Please contact me or Liangting Sun if your are interested in.**



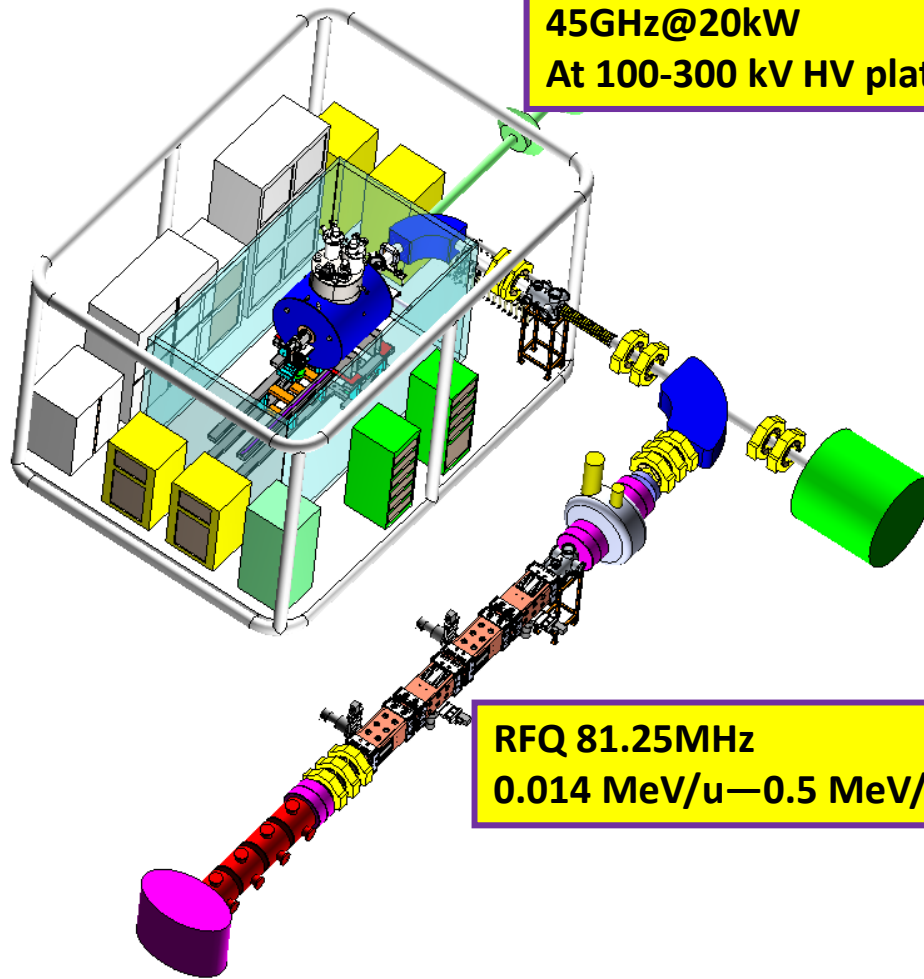
HIAF front-end R&D---LEAF project



LEAF : **L**ow-**E**nergy intense-highly-charged ion **A**ccelerator **F**acility

FECRAL

45GHz@20kW
At 100-300 kV HV platform



RFQ 81.25MHz
0.014 MeV/u—0.5 MeV/u

Prototype of HIAF Frontend

- Approved by NSFC. 2015-2019
- Acceptance test by the end of 2019 with promised performance.

LEAF Science

- Irradiation material
- Highly charged atomic physics
- Low energy Nuclear astrophysics

FECRAL goal for LEAF

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