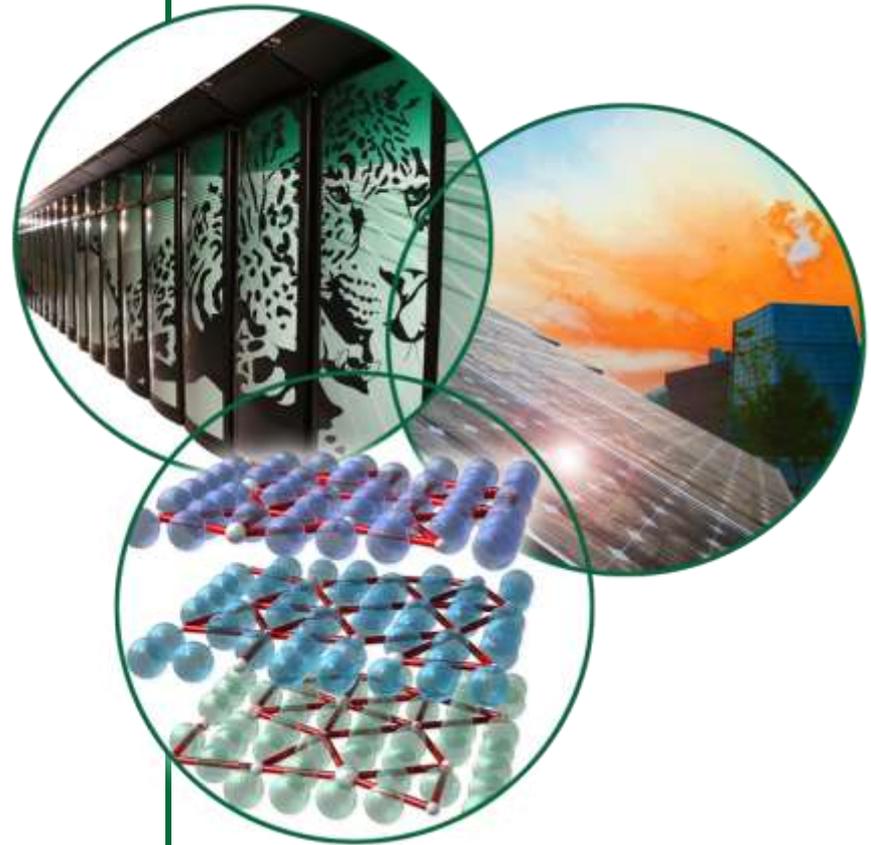


Accelerator Physics Overview

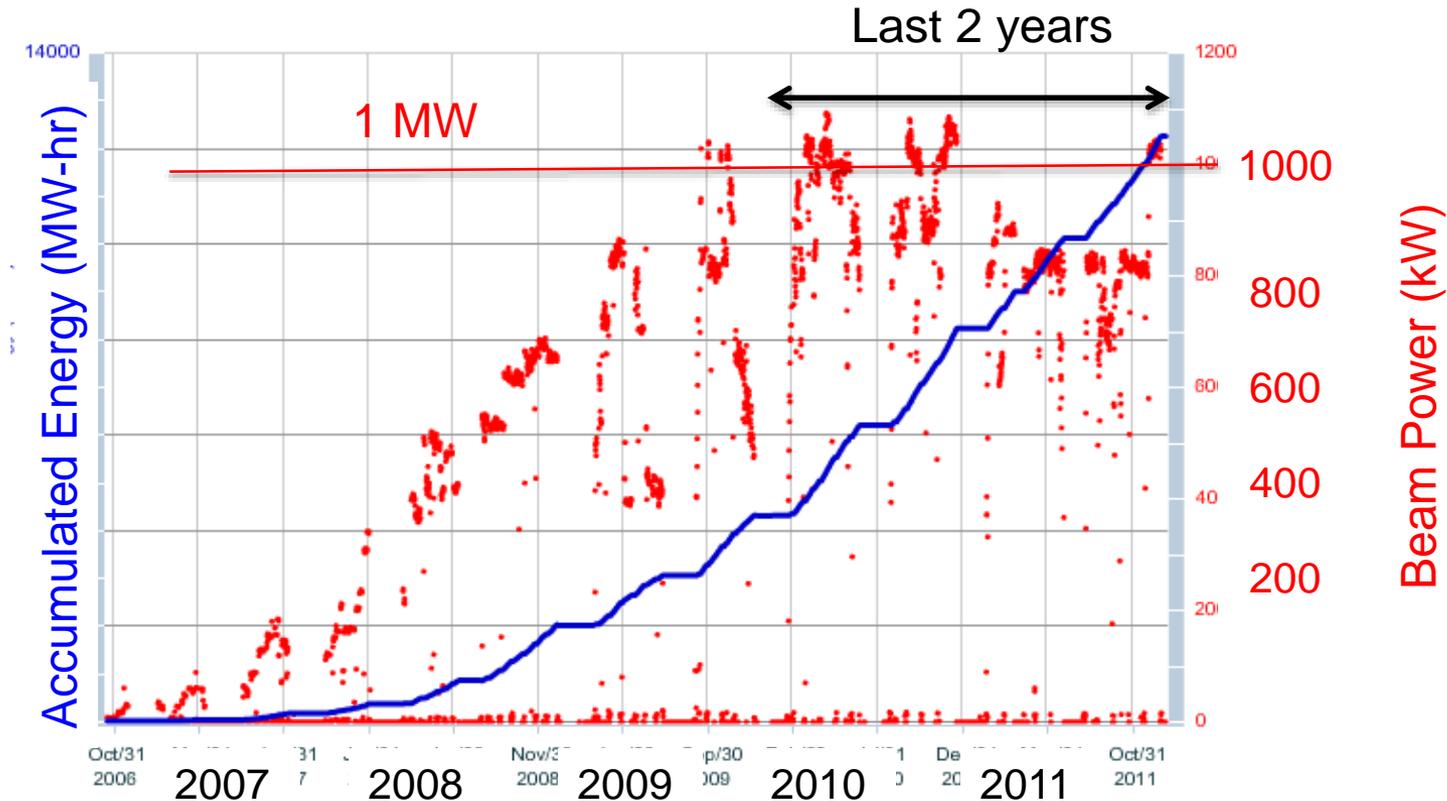
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Accelerator Advisory Committee

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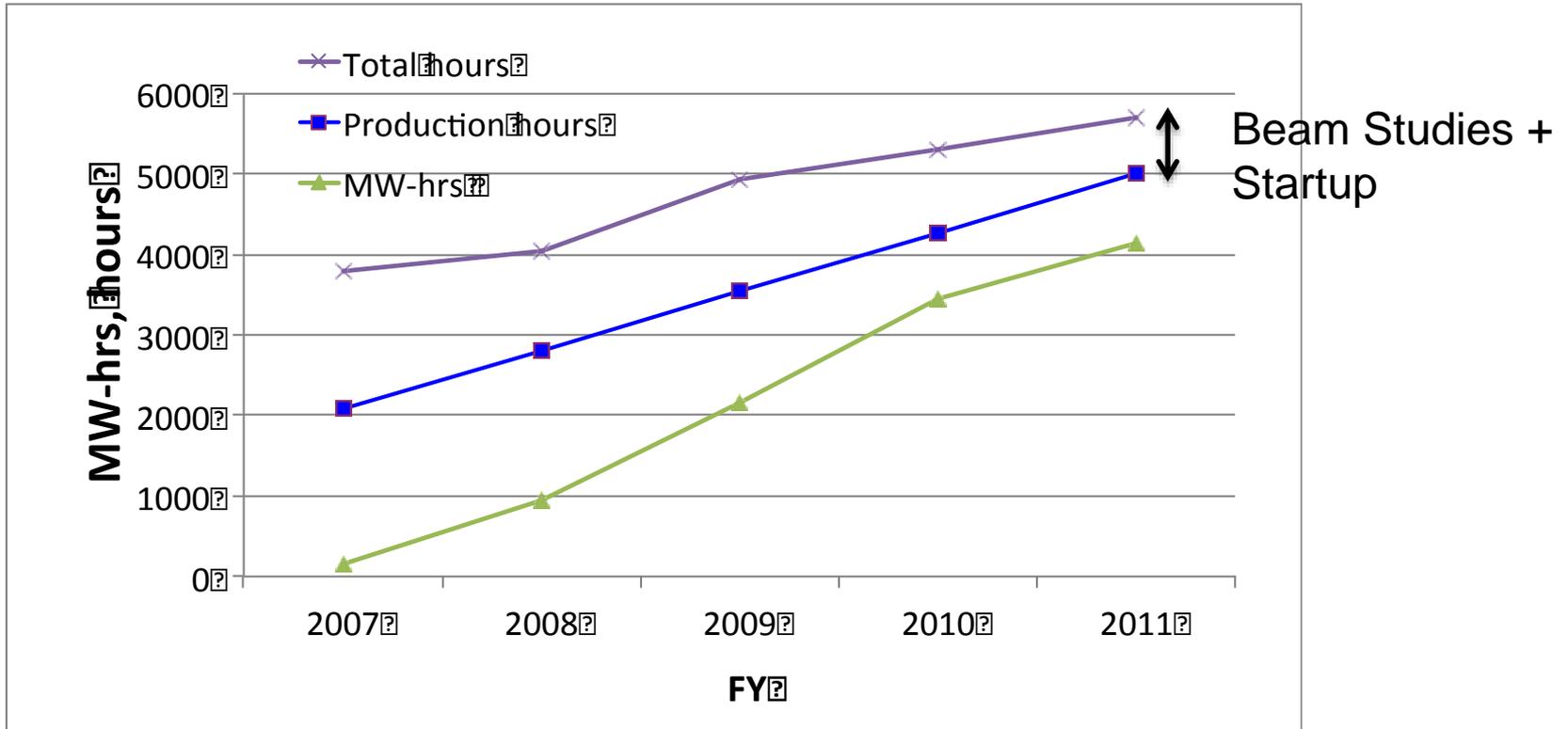


SNS Operates at ~ 1 MW



- **Have not increased the beam power in the last 2 years**
 - **Steady high power operation**
 - **Simpler beam restoration (shutdown / maintenance)**

Approaching Final Annual Operational Hour Goal



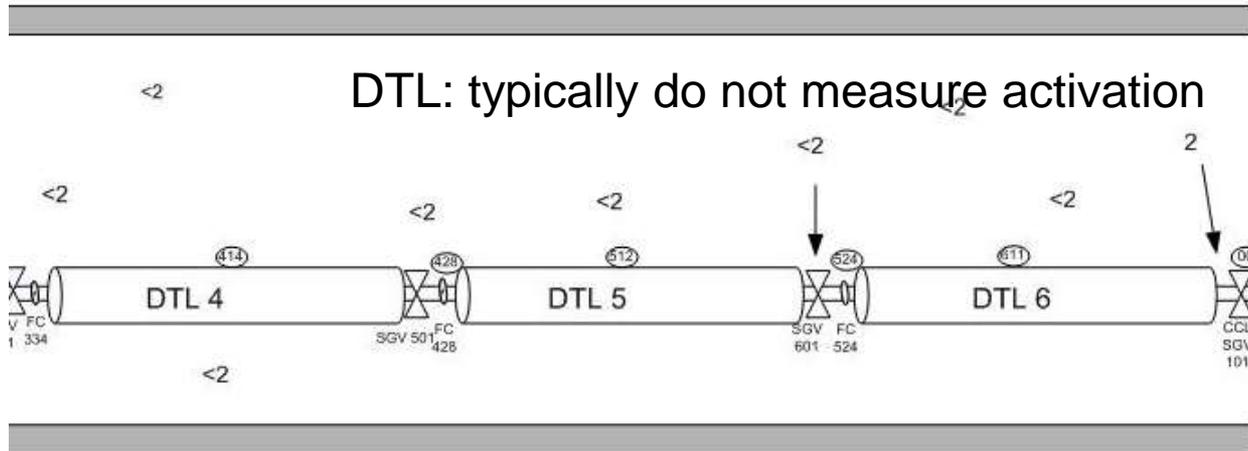
- There is less time available for beam studies / startup
 - Approaching Steady-state
 - Adequate time for beam studies

Production Beam Setup

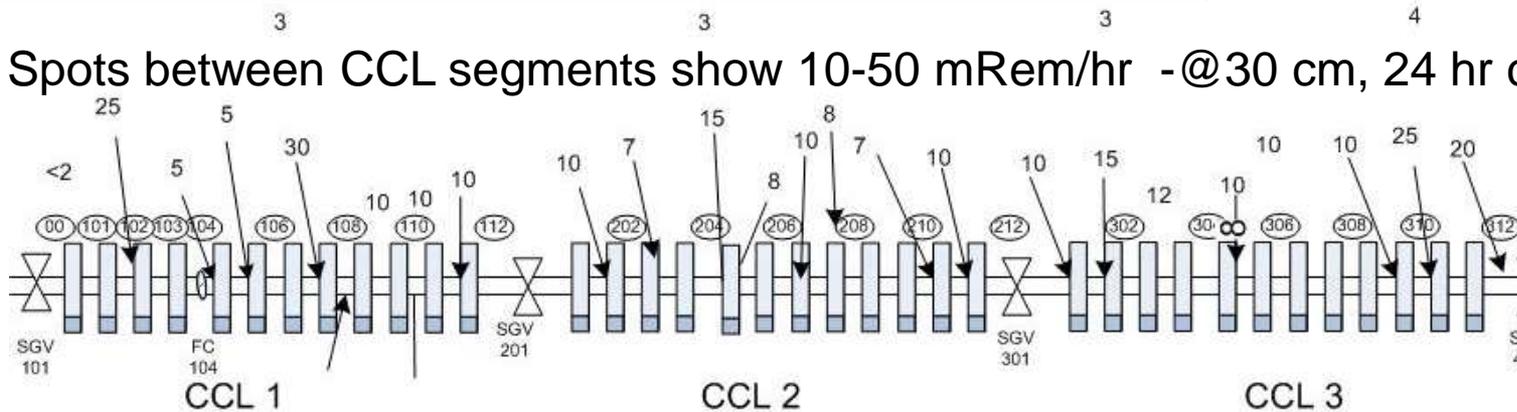
- **Reproducing a “golden” setup – easier than constant power increases**
 - Restoration after extended outages faster
 - Restoration after maintenance days by operations staff
- **High level applications help (XAL)**
 - Snapshot capabilities for beam in transverse and longitudinal space along the linac
 - Good for diagnosing equipment problems
- **Should avoid a false sense of security!**
 - Power increases (to 1.4 MW and beyond) will not be so easy

Activation in the Warm Linac

October 2011 Activation surveys

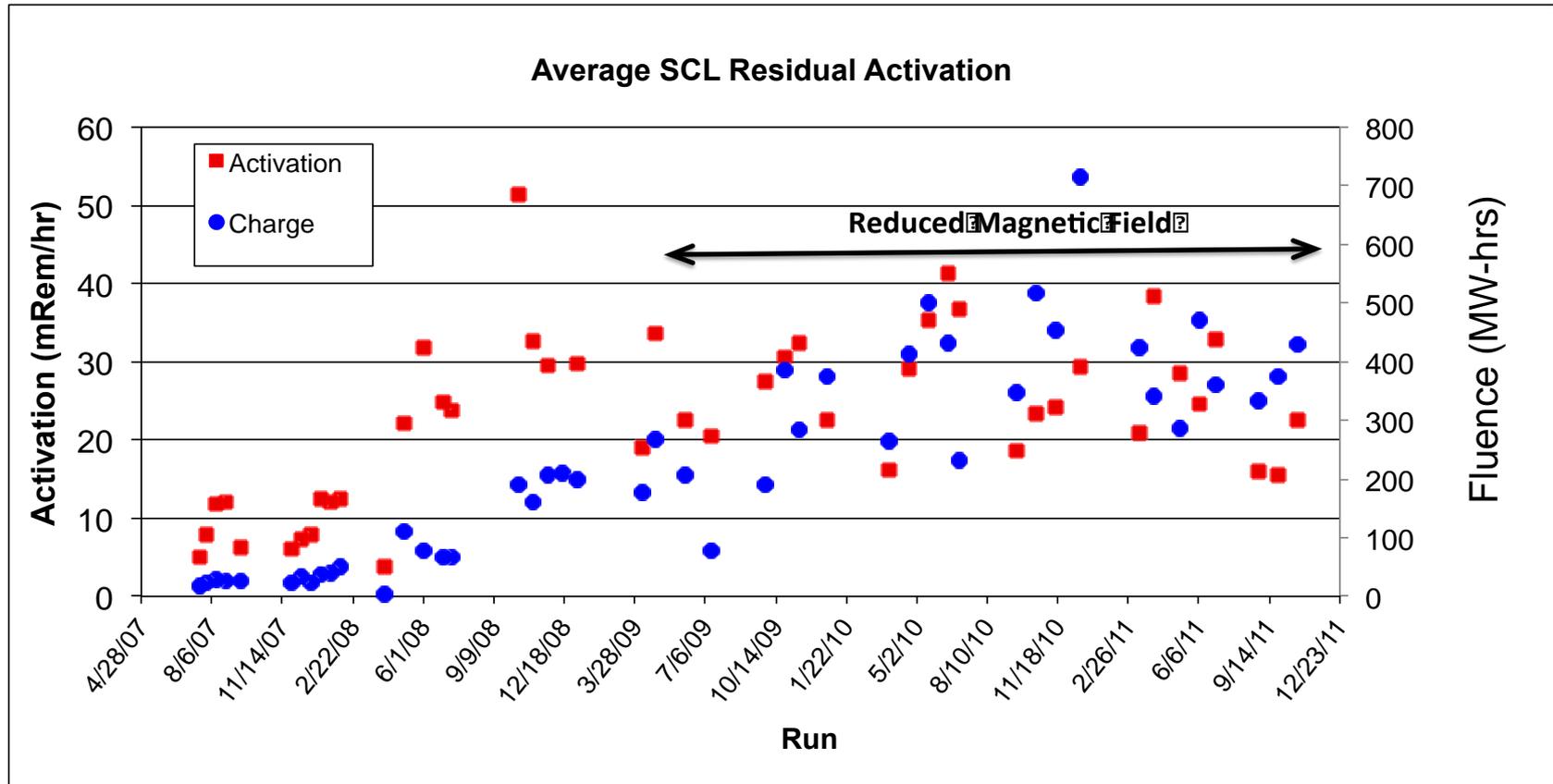


CCL: Spots between CCL segments show 10-50 mRem/hr - @30 cm, 24 hr cooldown



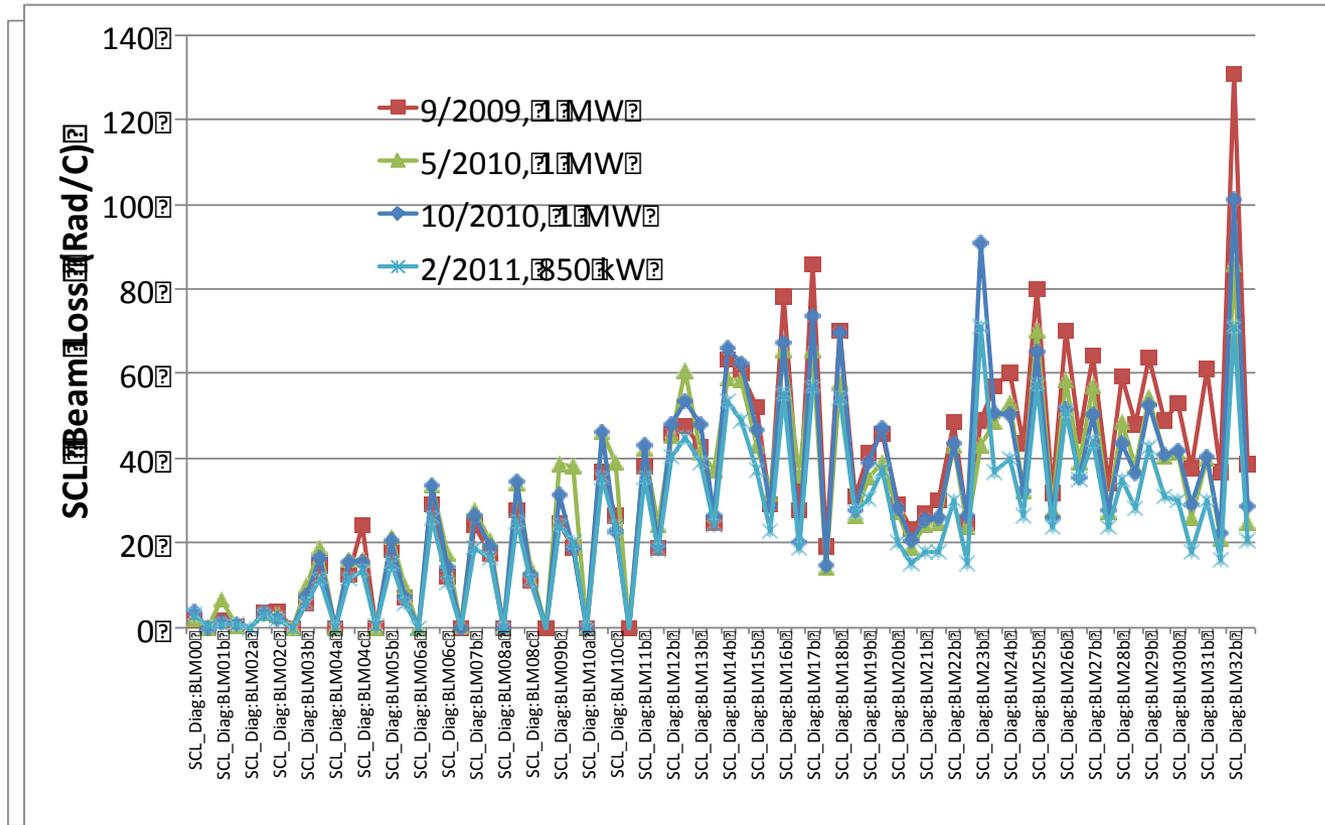
- Warm linac beam loss is not a constraint

Beam Loss in the Superconducting Linac



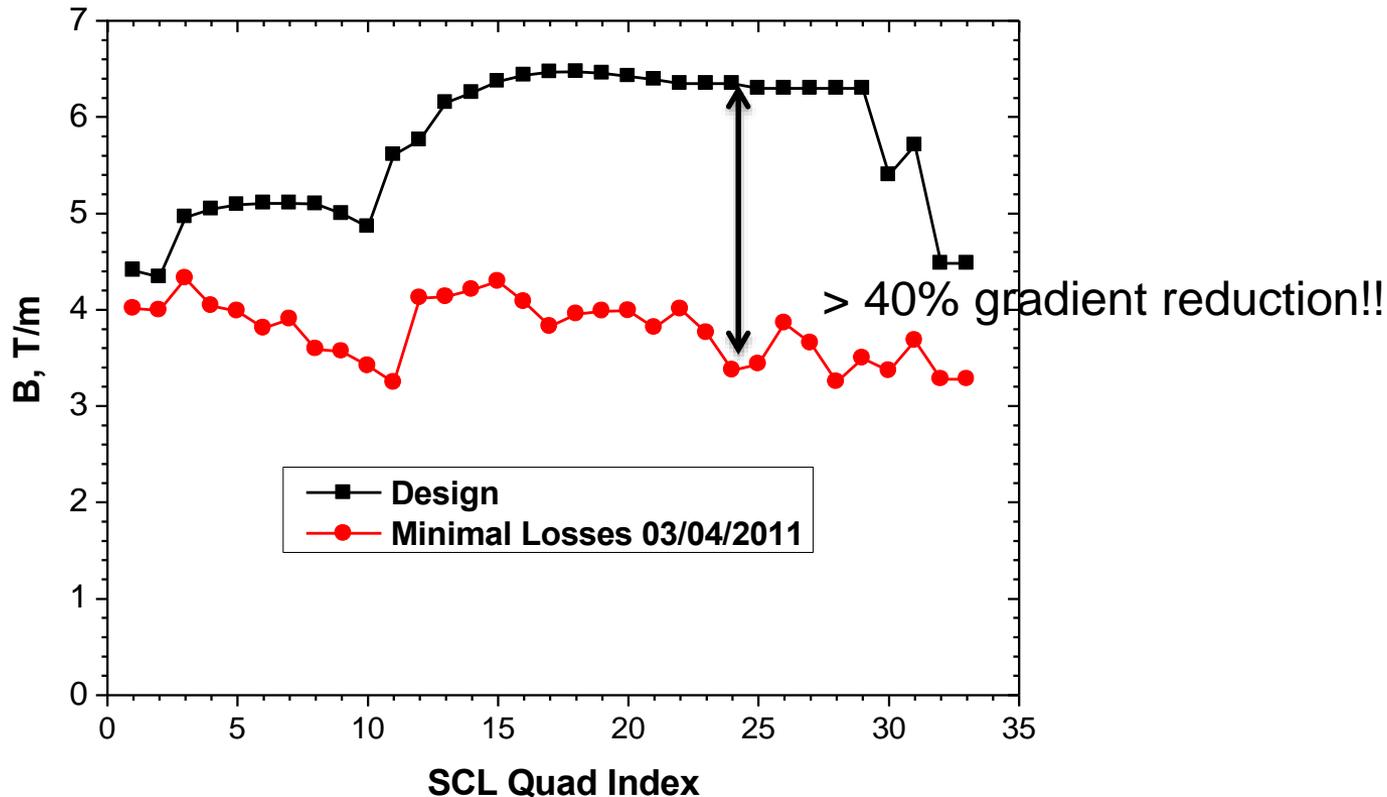
- SNS observed a low level of beam loss / machine activation
 - Unexpected!
 - OK for 1 MW, does not restrict operations, but unexplained

SCL Beam Loss



- Consistent loss pattern observed over years
- Reduction corresponds to reduced focusing strength

Reduced Focusing Strength in the SCL

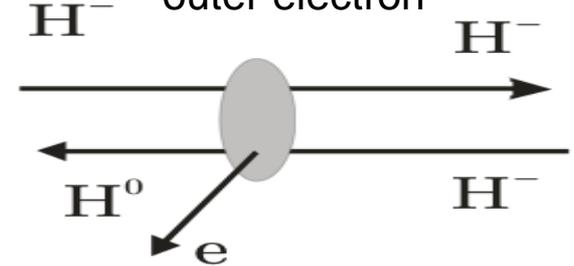


- **Beam loss was reduced by lowering the SCL quadrupole strengths**
 - Motivation was thought that off energy beam may be better transported
 - The large SCL aperture permits increased beam size

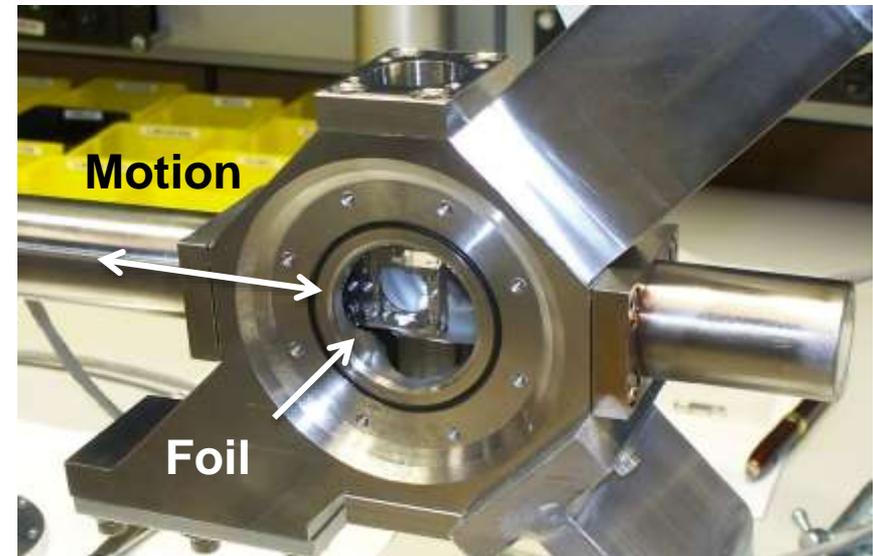
Proton Beam Experiment at SNS

- SNS beam loss explanation: related to H^- stripping by self collisions
 - V. Lebedev, FNAL

Collisions between H^- in the accelerated bunch can strip the outer electron



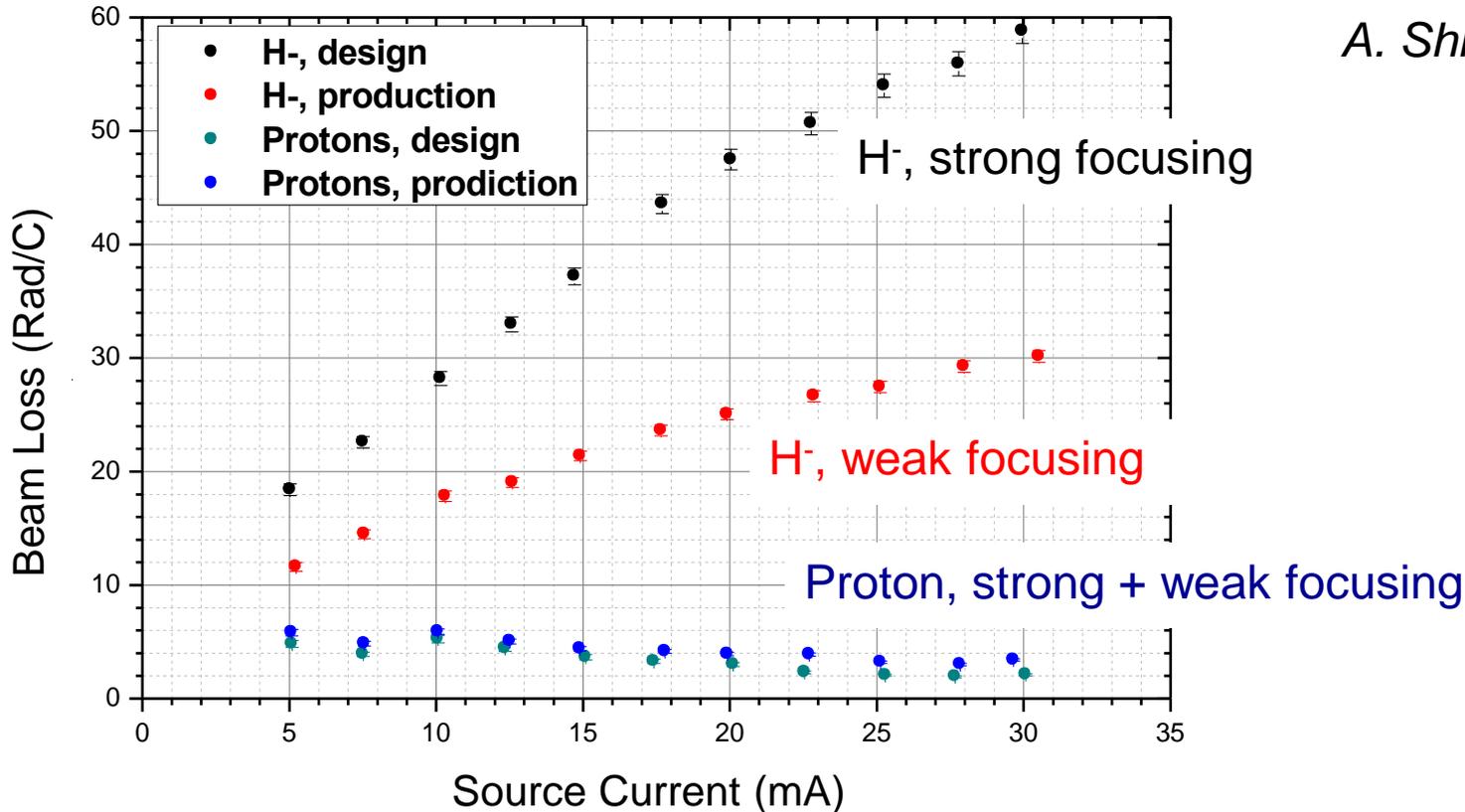
- Recently added an insert-able thin foil upstream in the SNS linac (A. Shishlo)
 - Converts H^- to protons
 - Adjust a few quadrupoles and flip all RF by 180 degrees:
 - A proton linac!!!



Proton Beam Loss is much lower than H⁻

SCL Average Losses 2011.09.25

A. Shishlo et al.

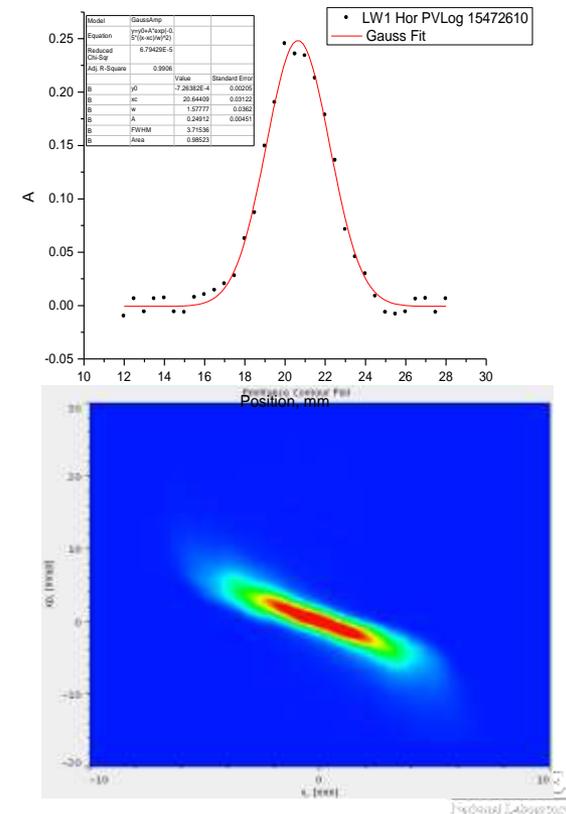
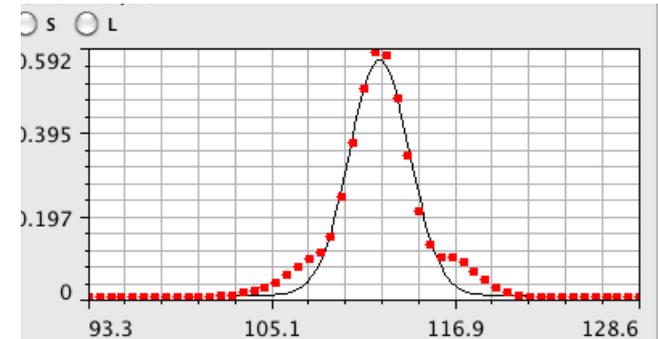


- Measured beam loss in the SNS linac is much lower for protons than for H⁻
 - Trends are consistent with “Intra-beam stripping”
 - Submitted to PRL

Linac Beam Dynamics

- Focus has been on beam envelope RMS size (intra-beam stripping)
 - But there are significant tails / halo in the linac beam
- Laser profile measurements in the SCL are becoming less expert based tools (see S. Aleksandrov's talk)
- Have implemented emittance measurements in the MEBT and HEBT (see S. Aleksandrov's talk)
 - Should be a valuable combination

H⁻



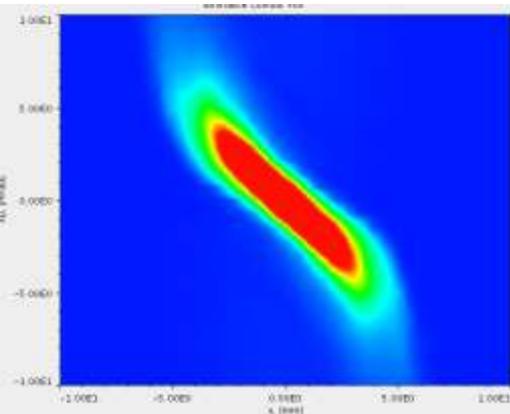
SCL RF Setup

- **Have developed beam based tool to facilitate setup**
- **“Automated” RF setup application**
 - 3 hours to setup all 80 cavities
 - faster than the 10 warm linac cavity setup!!!
- **Model based scaling to accommodate cavity gradient reductions**
 - Have to do this during operations occasionally

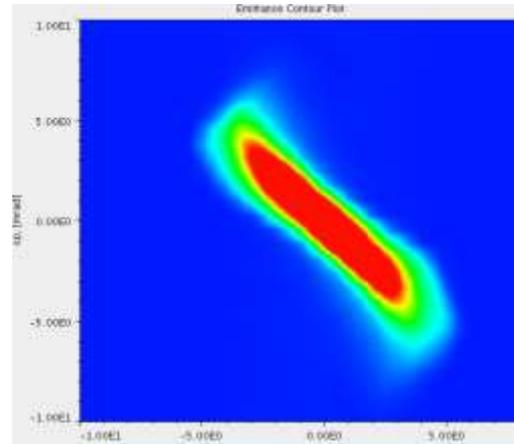
MEBT Scraping

- 2 horizontal MEBT scrapers
 - Standard part of production
 - Reduces linac and injection dump losses
 - Effectiveness in loss reduction varies from source to source

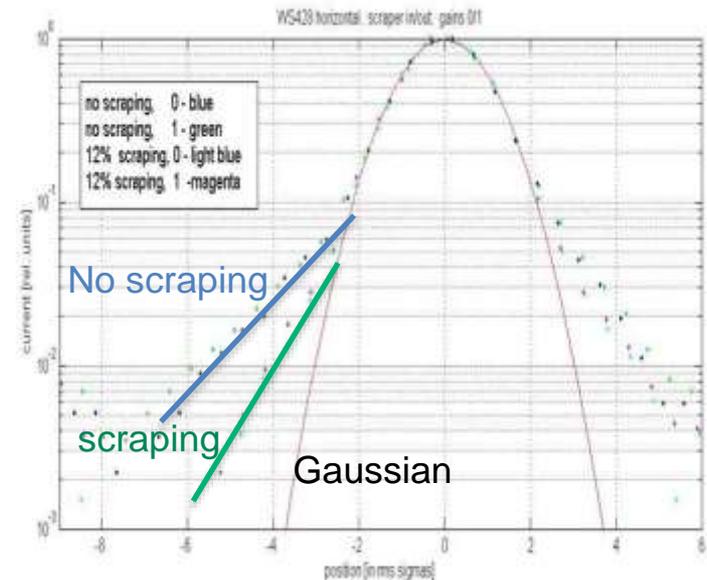
MEBT Emittance without scraping



MEBT Emittance with scraping

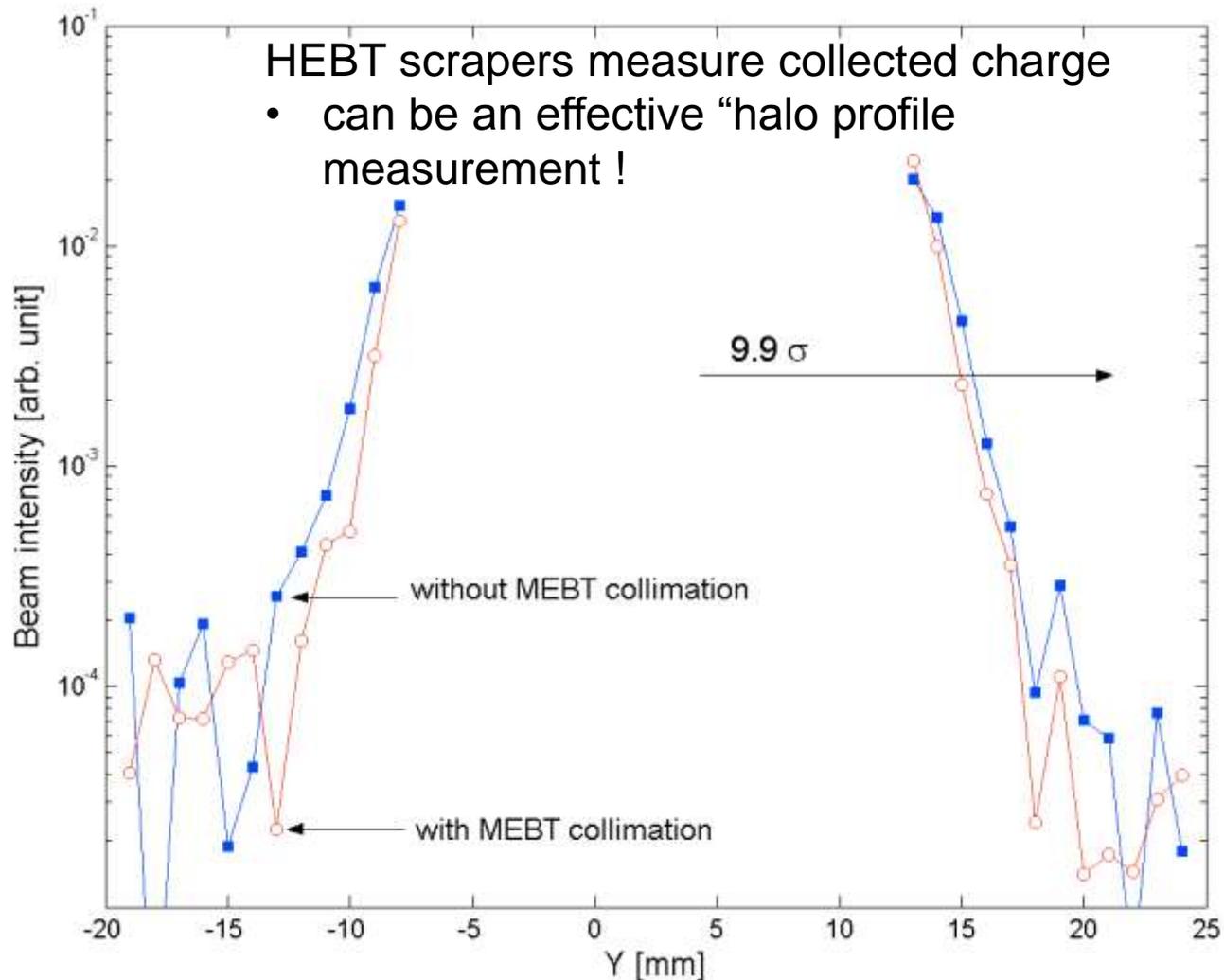


DTL profile, log scale

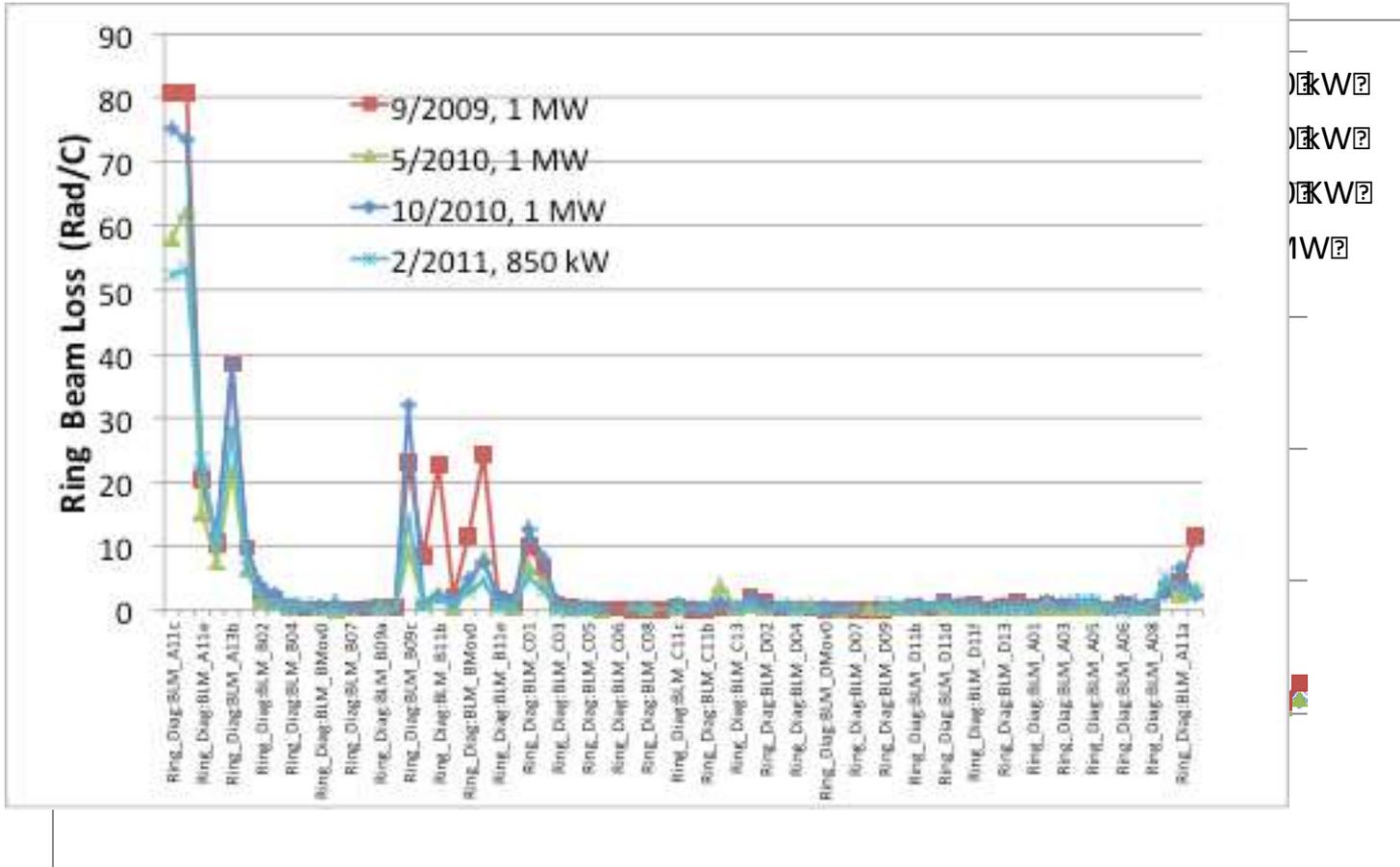


HEBT Scraping

- HEBT vertical and momentum scraping is effective in



Ring Beam Loss

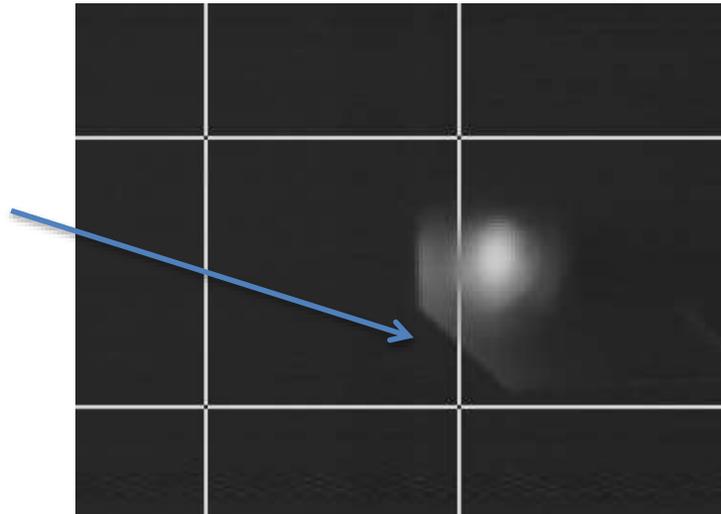


- Ring injection is where the losses are
- Still making modest gains in reducing the beam loss

Ring Injection Stripper Foil

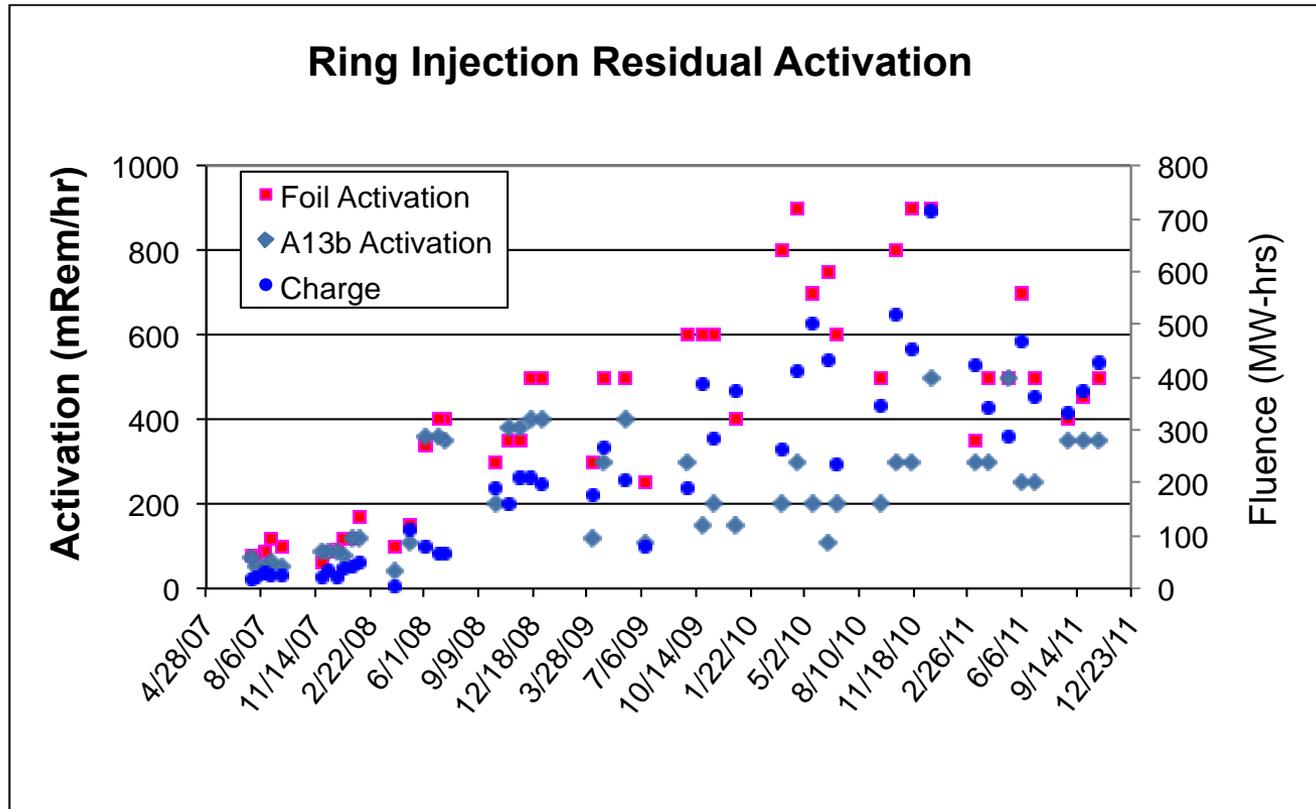
(M. Plum's talk)

Foil "cut corner"



- **Cut corner reduces circulating beam hits (and loss at injection)**
- **Would like to pull the beam even closer to the edge**
 - Foil stability is an issue
 - Transport of "tails" to the I-dump
- **50 kW "self-imposed" beam power limit to the dump**

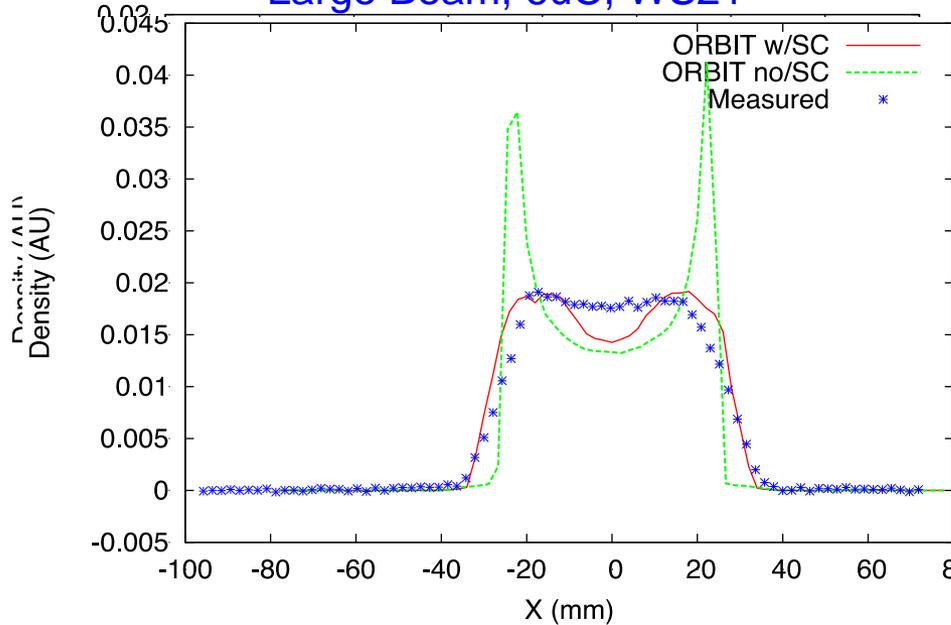
Ring Residual Activation Buildup



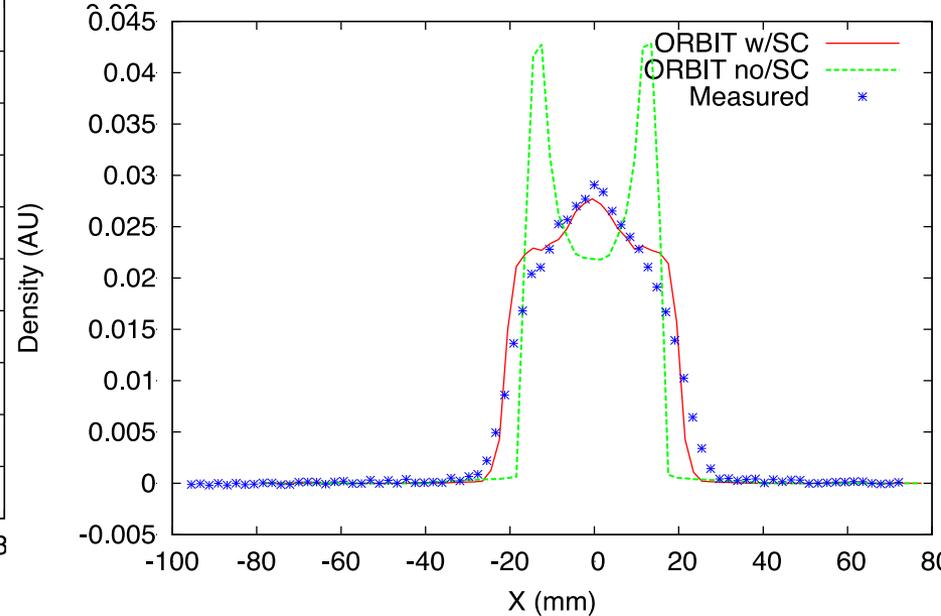
- **Activation near the foil is highest in the accelerator**
 - Close to design expectations
- **Activation is not increasing with extended operation at high power**

Ring Beam Profile Benchmark: Model (ORBIT) vs. Measurements (S. Cousineau)

Large Beam, 6uC, WS21



Small beam, 12uC, WS21



Comparing measurement and model is useful

Lessons learned:

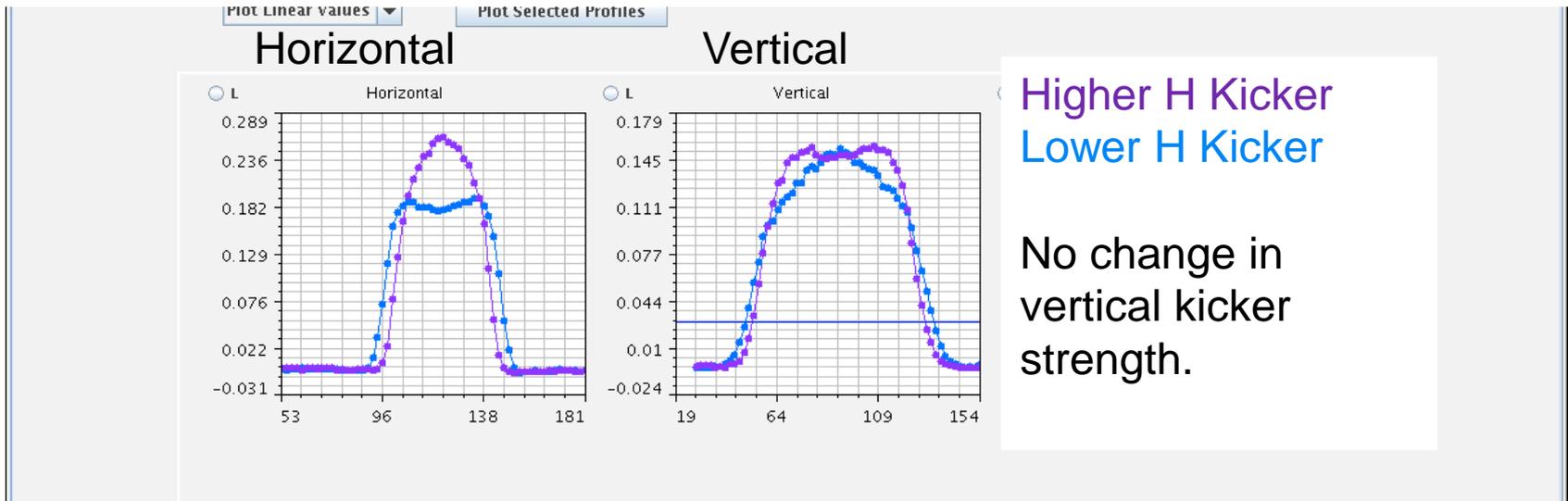
- Model: RTBT optics details, ORBIT fringe field model due to off axis injection.
- Hardware: RTBT beam tilt and Injection kicker timing offset issue.

Beam Simulation Code: ORBIT

- **Developed at SNS – used worldwide**
 - CERN, KEK- J-PARC, ISIS, LANL, FNL, CSNS, ...
 - Open source (Google distribution)
 - Outsider developed modules
 - Scripted interface / C++ / parallel processing ...
- **Modernizing the scripting interface to use Python**
 - Easier to build
- **Applying to linacs**

There are Ring Issues We do not Understand: Transverse Coupling in the Ring

WS20 Data for Near Betatron Tunes $Q_x=6.21$, $Q_y=6.19$



Horizontal inj. Kicker change resulted in vertical profile shape change.

High Intensity Ring Physics

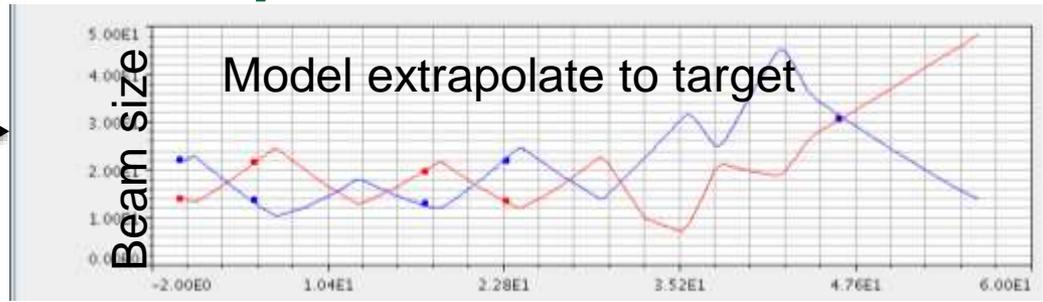
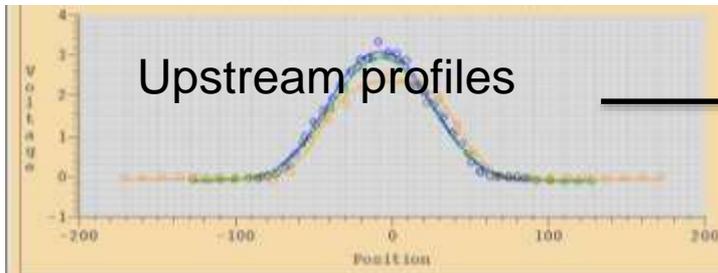
- **SNS: world record intensity (1.55×10^{14} ppp)**
- **E-p is a concern (S. Cousineau's talk)**
 - **Sometimes run with low level e-p instability signature evident**
 - But no increased beam loss
 - Longitudinal profile matters – (Z. Liu thesis)
 - Instability onset scaling more involved than simple RF power
- **Working on a damper system**
 - Have pickup, amplifier, kicker installed
 - S. Aleksandrov and S. Cousineau talks

Laser Stripping Status

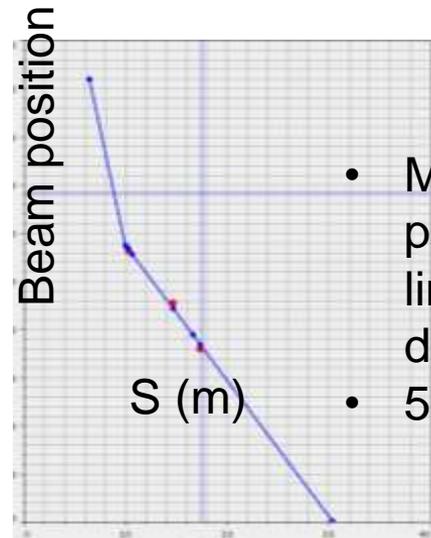
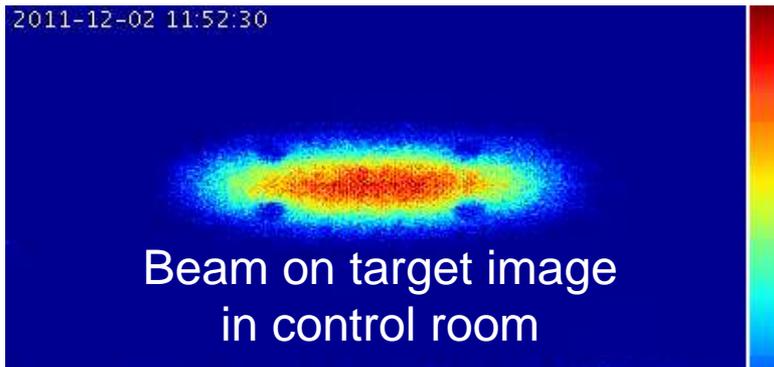
- Did 10 ns POP demonstration in 2006
- Held laser stripping workshop at SNS in April 2011
 - Follow-up to 2009 workshop
- Aim to do 10 μ s demonstration next, in HEBT
 - Laser is in house
 - Fabray-Perot recycling development proceeding
 - Some required beam instrumentation being development
- Vacuum vessel insert for stripping apparatus is stalled
 - Looking for R&D funding

Note: laser stripping now in Tigner's Accelerator Handbook

High Power Target / Dump Interfaces (M. Plum's talk)



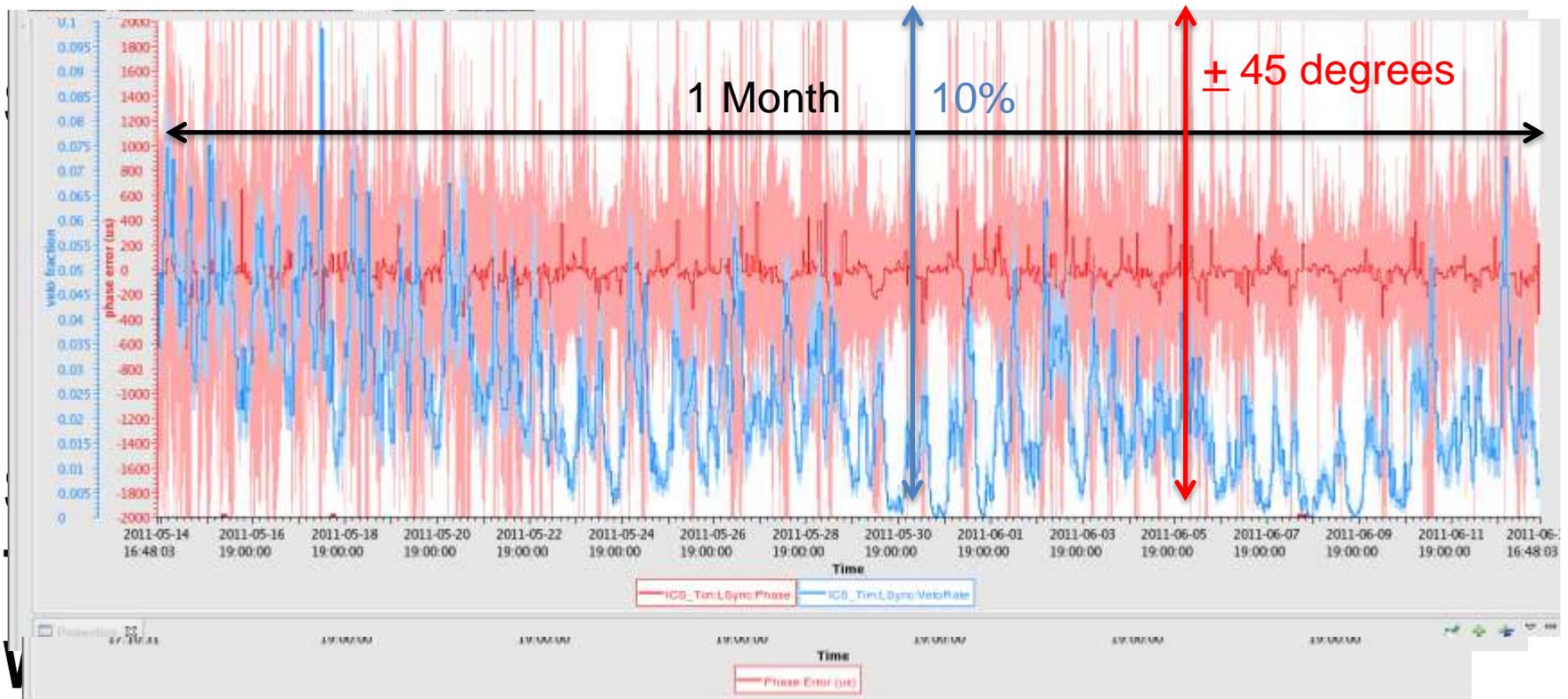
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- Measurement of beam position in Injection dump line and extrapolation to the dump
- 50 kW beam!!!!

- Control of the target beam interface is critical
- Instrumentation in high radiation areas is challenging

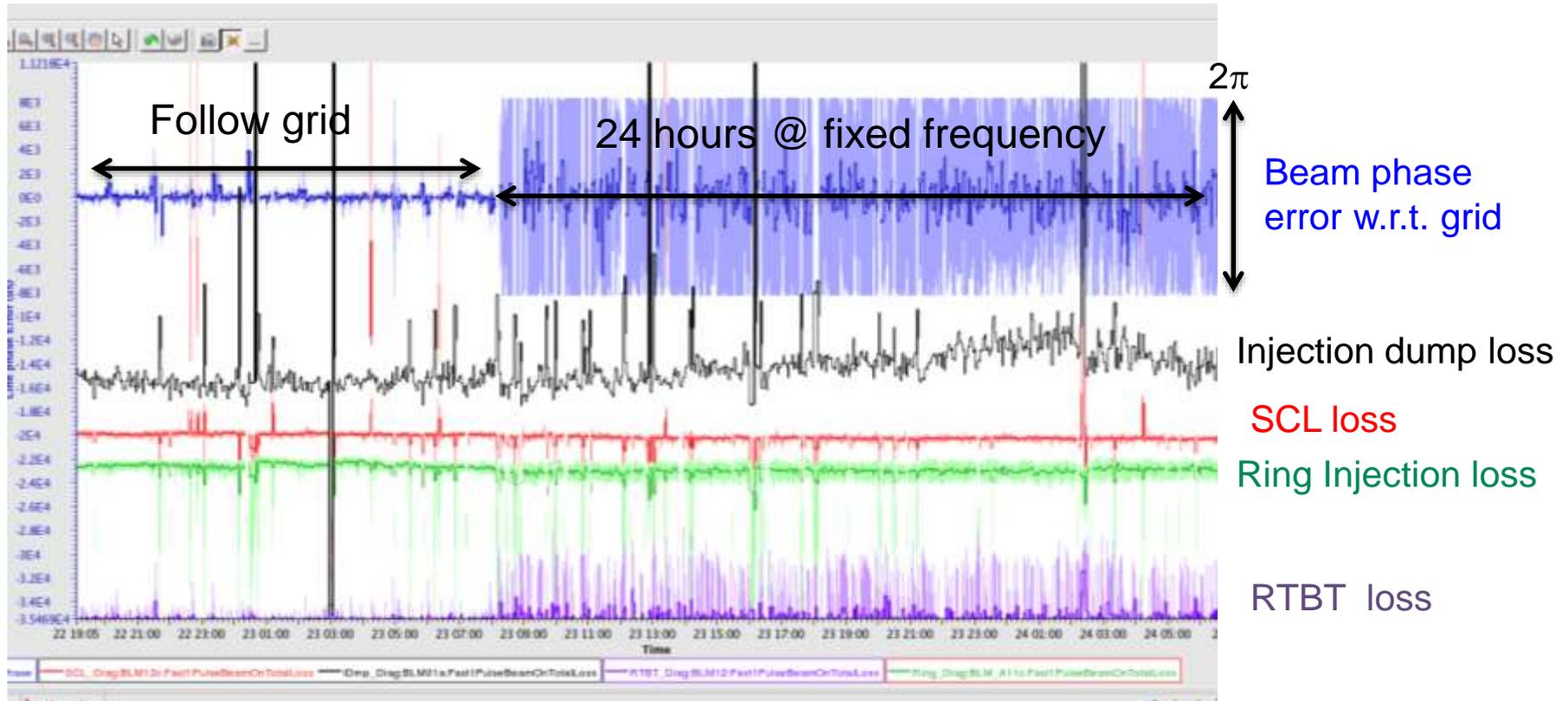
Fixed Frequency Operation



with the “grid phase error”

– Cause has been faulty equipment

Fixed Frequency Demo: 24 hrs @ full power



- No adverse effect on accelerator running asynchronously to the grid

XAL – High Level Control Room Application Software

- **Toolset is mature, and an integral part of beam studies and operational setup**
- **Other institutions want to use it (FRIB, ESS, CSNS)**
 - Is an informal collaboration development
- **Are developing a new “generalized” version with no SNS specific features**
- **Uses modern software technology**
 - Java, databases, ...
- **Open source!!!!**
 - Sourceforge

Where We Are Going

	Operational Value	Design	3 MW
Power (MW)	1	1.4	3
Energy (MeV)	925	1000	1300
Repetition rate (Hz)	60	60	60
Pulse length (ms)	0.8	1	1
<macro-pulse current> (mA)	23	26	42
Beam duty factor (%)	4.8	6	6
Stored beam intensity (ppp)	1.1×10^{14}	1.5×10^{14}	2.5×10^{14}

- **Significant challenges in physics and equipment to reach the ultimate accelerator potential**

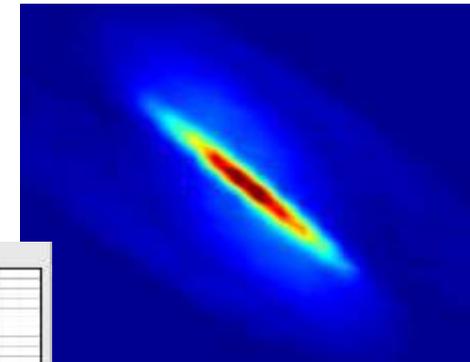
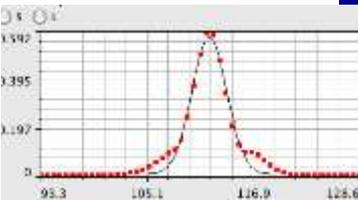
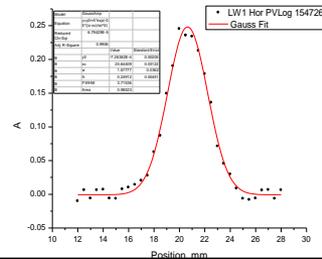
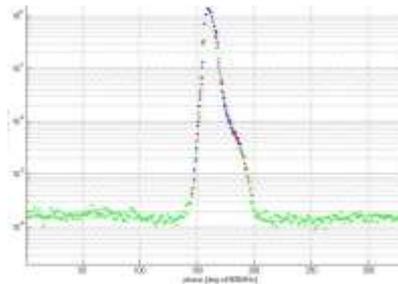
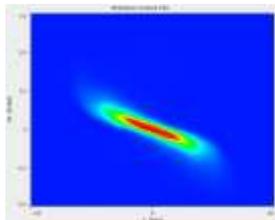
Accelerator Physics Staff

Post Commissioning	Fall 2010	Jan. 2012
FTE staff	12.5	9
Post Doc	1	0
Grad students	2	1

- **AP staff is smaller**
 - Some reduction is natural as we move to operations
 - 1.5 FTE due to SRF group split
- **Need to retain people to manage longer term / power rampup**

Accelerator Physics R&D Focus

- Still a lot to learn from the SNS beam
 - Well instrumented high intensity linac (model-measurement comparison)
 - High intensity ring: e-p, laser stripping
- Looking for outside R&D funding
 - Get no accelerator R&D funds from BES
 - Applying to HEP, ideas?



Front-End Warm Linac SCL HEFT-1

5 transverse profiles
1 transverse emittance

14 transverse profiles
4 longitudinal profiles

9 transverse profiles

9 transverse profiles
1 transverse emittance

Integrable Optics - Danilov

- Non-linear lattice, fundamental paradigm shift for lattices design
 - Advantages for high intensity - huge tune spread, no resonance

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Nonlinear accelerator lattices with one and two analytic invariants

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S. Nagaitsev

- FNAL is pursuing this idea
 - Integrable Optics Test Accelerator (IOTA) ring is being designed

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RING FOR TEST OF NONLINEAR INTEGRABLE OPTICS

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Abstract

In this report we discuss the choice of parameters and

Summary

- **Still learning about our beam**
 - IBST in the SCL
 - Better understanding of the ring beam
 - Better understanding leads to reduced beam loss
- **Beam based tools have improved beam setup and problem diagnosis**
- **Still alot to do !!!**