



CURRENT STATUS OF THE SUPERCONDUCTING CYCLOTRON PROJECT AT KOLKATA

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VECC Superconducting Cyclotron





Major milestones:

- **Commissioning of SC magnet** 2005
- Magnetic Field mapping 2006
- Commissioning of RF system 2008
- **First internal beam** **2009 August**
- Enhancement of LHe Plant Capacity 2010
- **Cooling of LHe Cryo-panel** Early 2011
- Improvement of Internal Beam Current July 2011
- **Beam Extraction Trial & diagnosis** **Up to 2012**
- Magnetic Field Re-mapping April 2013

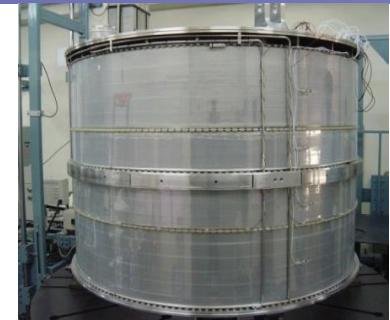
Fabrication of Magnet & Cryo-state



Spiral Pole tips



Pole base & Return Yoke



Liquid Nitrogen
Shield



Multilayer Insulation
and vacuum chamber



Cryostat with Median
plane inserts

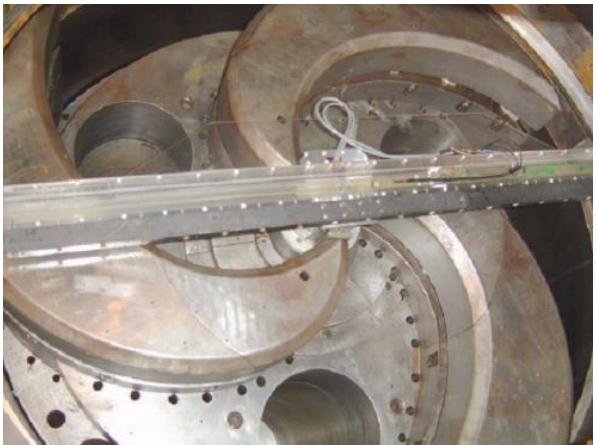
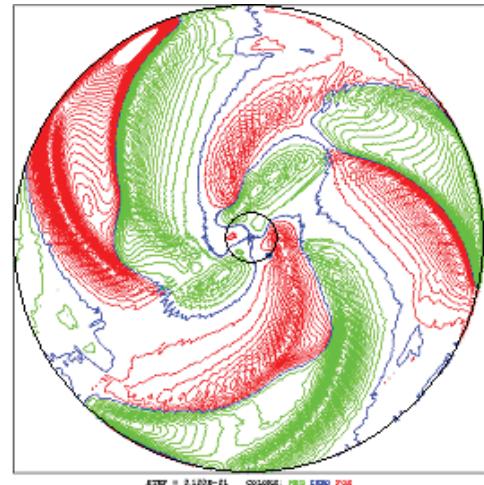
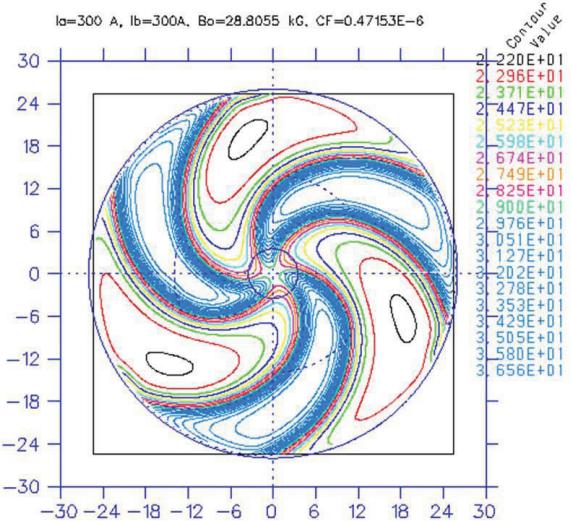




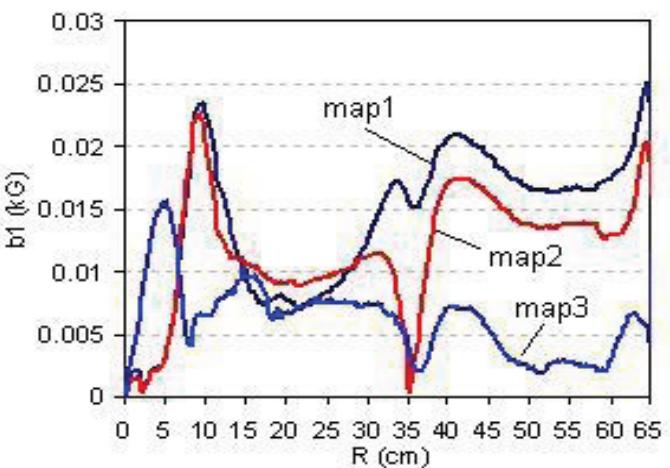
Commissioning of Magnet & Field Mapping 2006



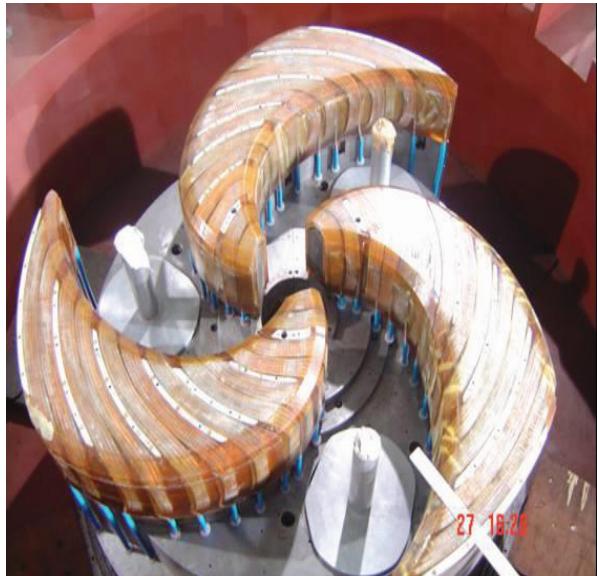
Magnet with LHe Transfer Line



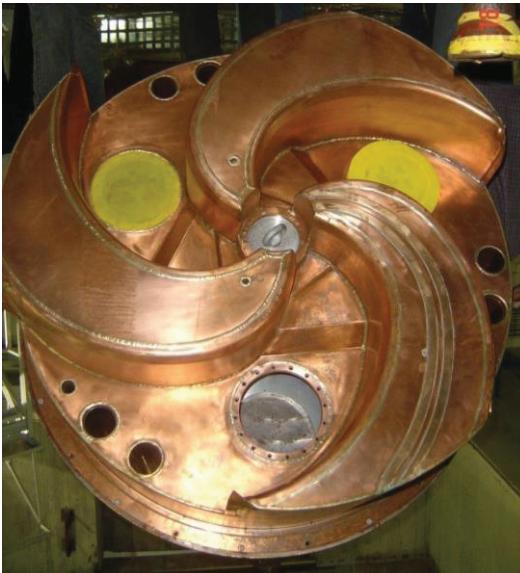
Magnetic Field Mapping
(2006)



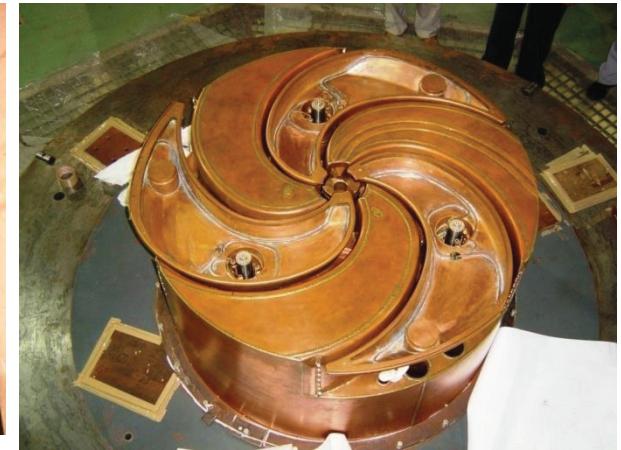
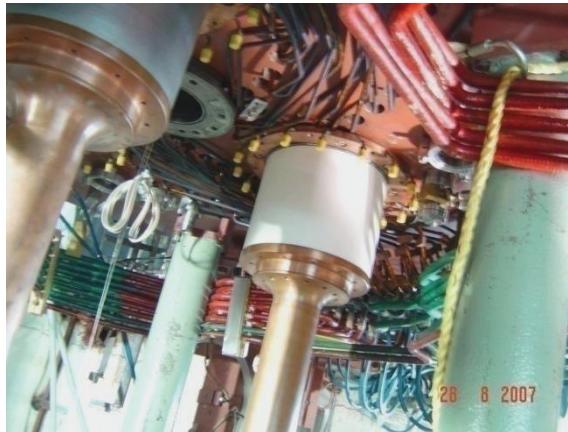
Installation of Trim Coils and RF System 2006-07



Trim Coils



Lower RF Liner



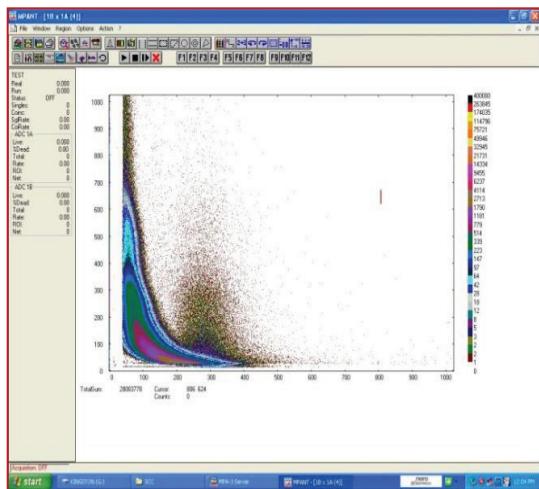
Injection Beam Line commissioning 2007



August 25, 2009: SC Cyclotron Accelerates Internal Beam



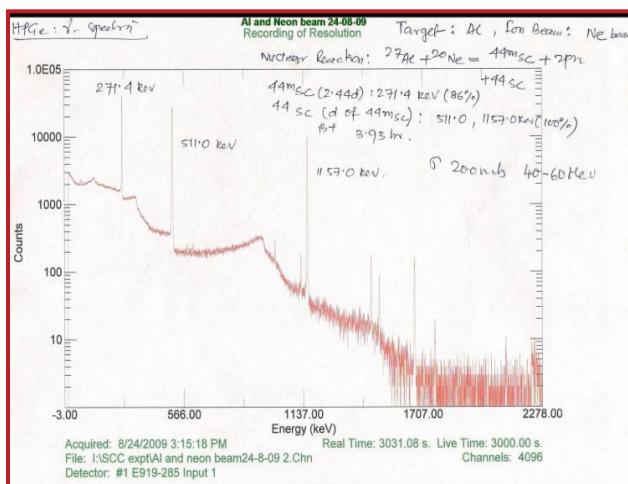
Beam current profile along radius



Neutron and gamma spectrum from Ne + Al nuclear reaction



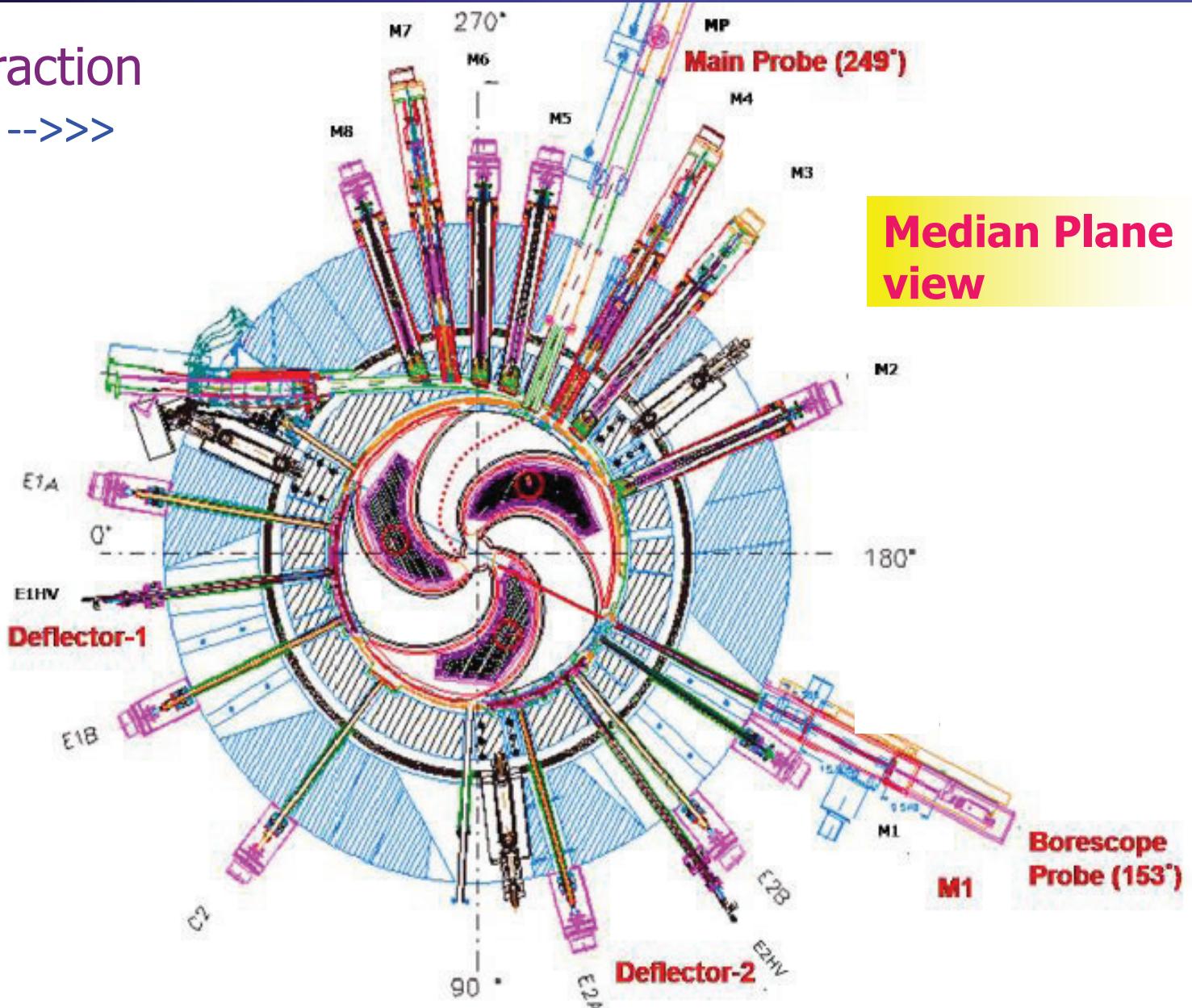
Accelerated Ne³⁺ Beam on viewer probe



Installation of Extraction System 2009



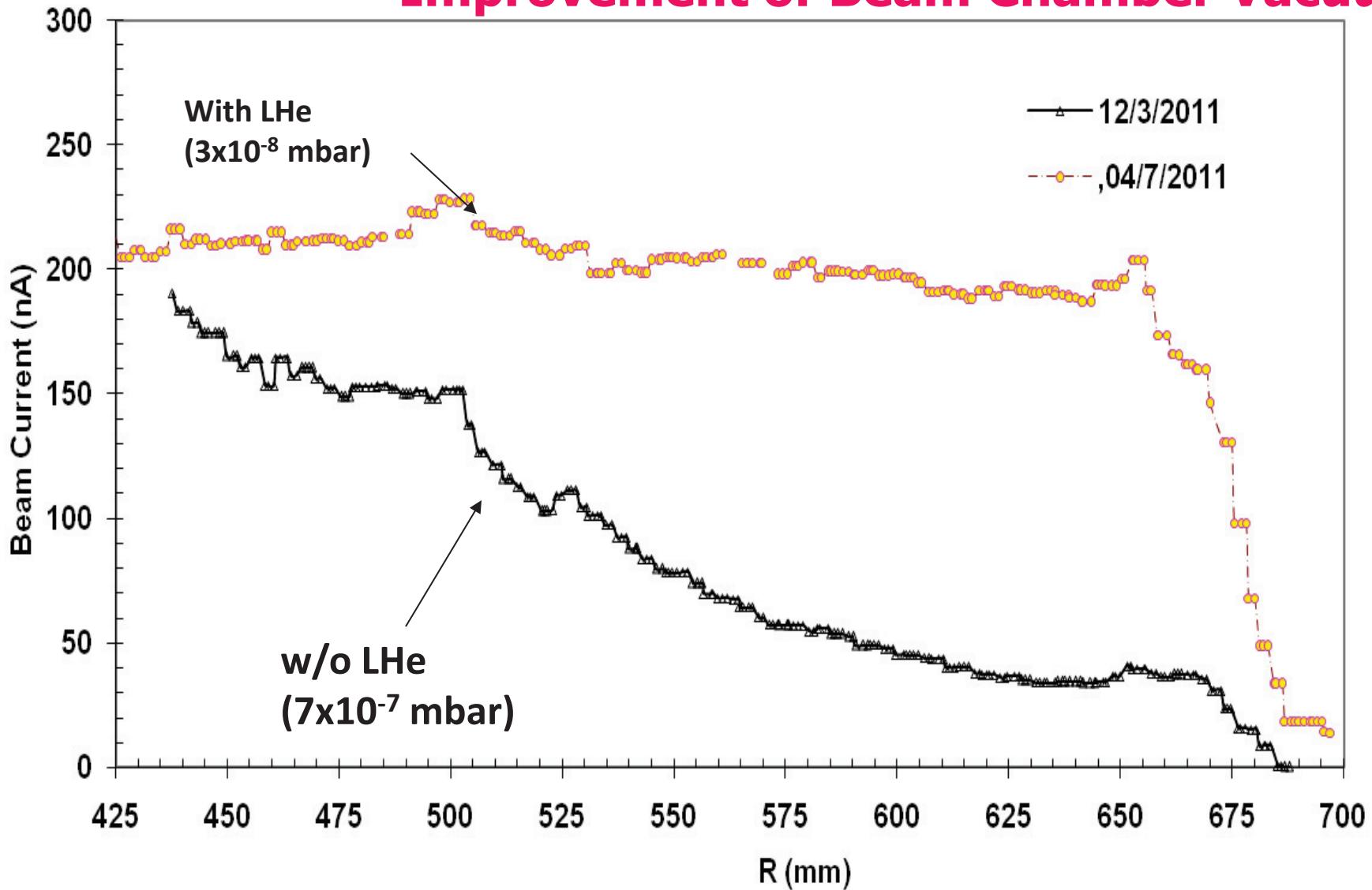
Beam Extraction
Trial 2010 -->>>



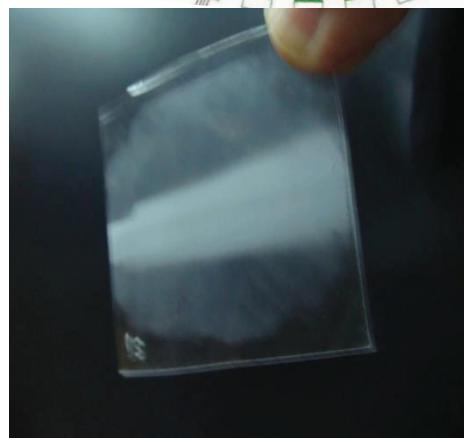
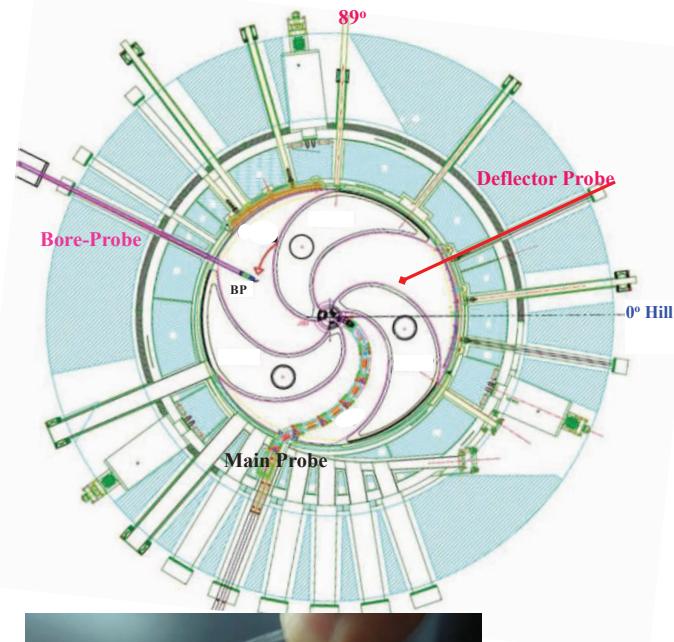
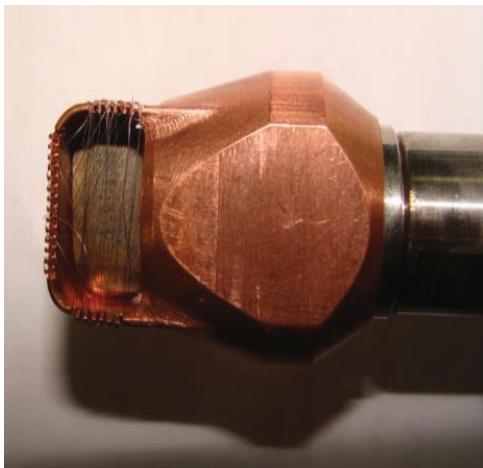
Installation of Liquid Helium Cryo-Panel 2011



Improvement of Beam Chamber Vacuum



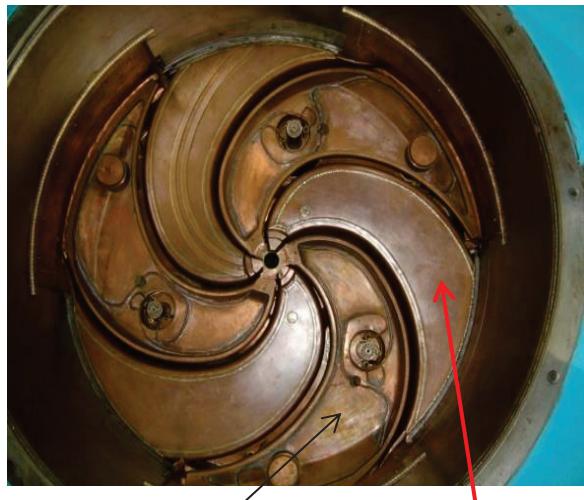
Beam Extraction Trials 2011





- ❖ **Dee voltage measurement**
- ❖ **Improvement in RF Phase stability**
- ❖ **Measurement of Beam off-centering**
- ❖ **Measurement of Beam Phase**
- ❖ **Inflector Rotation online**

Dee Voltage Measurement Using CdTe X-ray detector

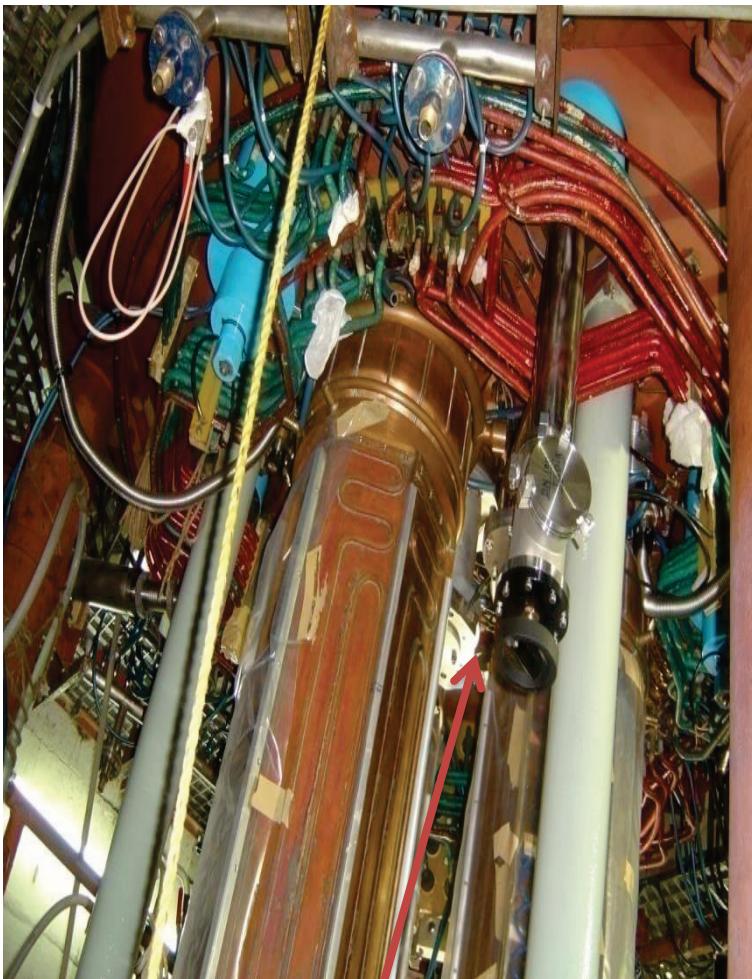


Dee

Liner



X-RAY DETECTOR WITH ITS FEED
THROUGH AND CABLING

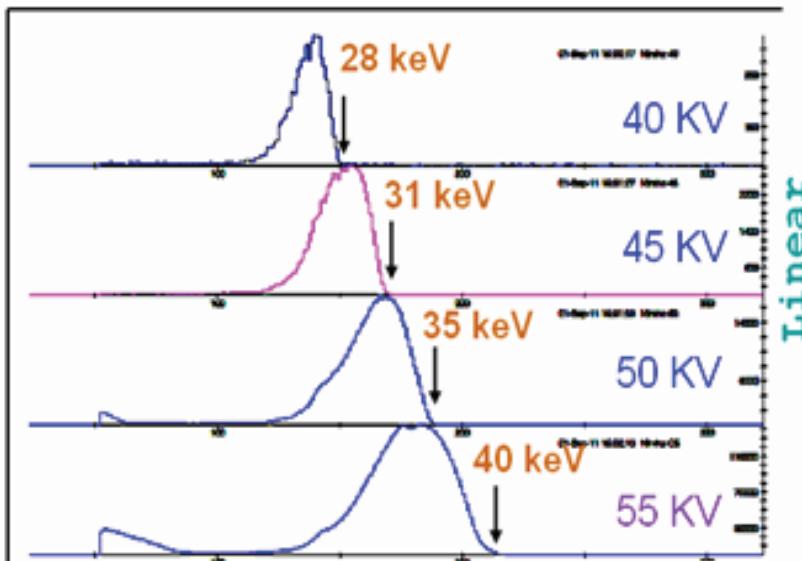


Port for inserting X-ray detector



X-RAY DETECTOR ON
ITS HOLDING SETUP

Dee Voltage Measurements

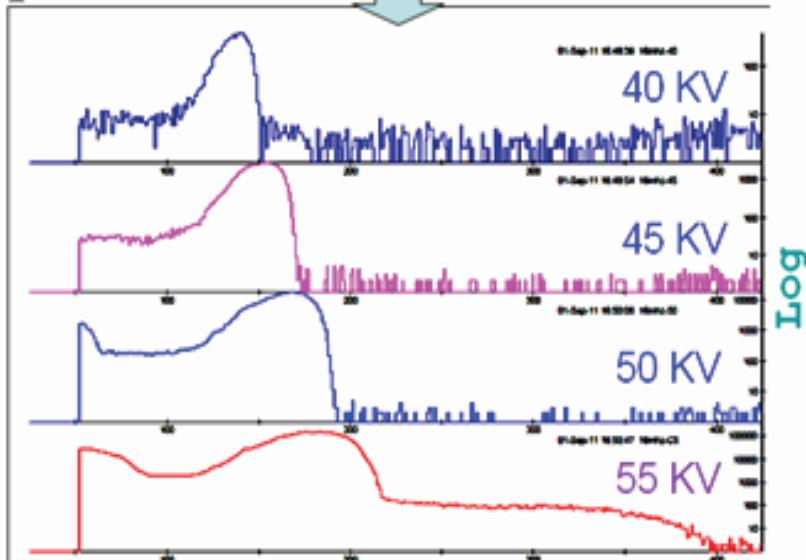


The End point has been “chosen” in the linear plot as the end of the “semi Gaussian” shape.

The data were taken for about 5 – 10 min duration each except for the 55 KV data which has been taken for 4 hrs.

The spectra look some what different in semi-Log plot.

Use of Bremstrahlung technique to determine the actual dee voltage. This measurement is very important as asymmetry in dee voltage leads to deterioration in beam quality by inducing coherent oscillation in the beam.





RF Voltage and Phase vs. Time

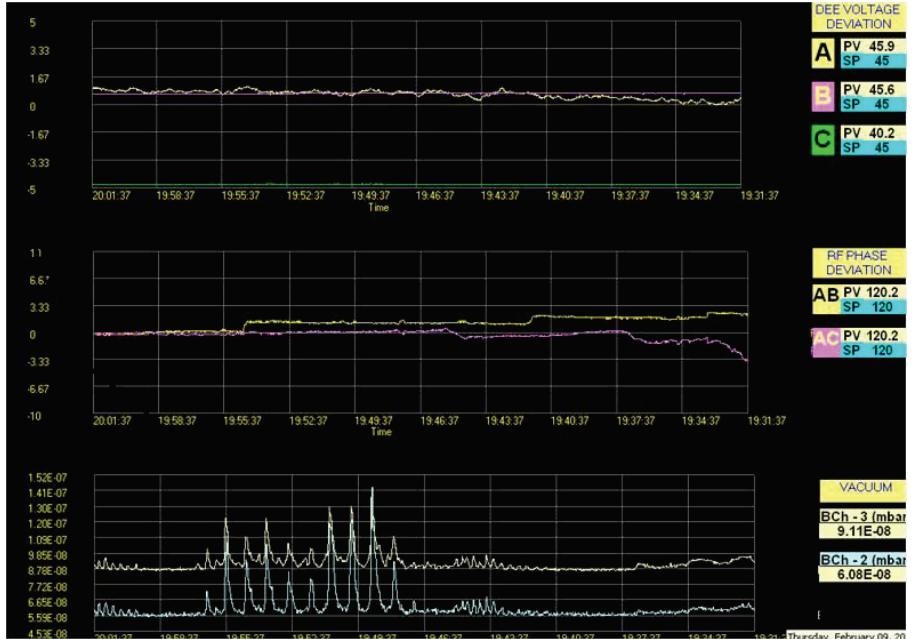
Earlier

RF Voltage

- Previous Phase Stability $\pm 0.5^0$ to 1^0 . New phase control loop based on DDS technique achieved stability within $\pm 0.2^0$.

RF Phase

Vacuum



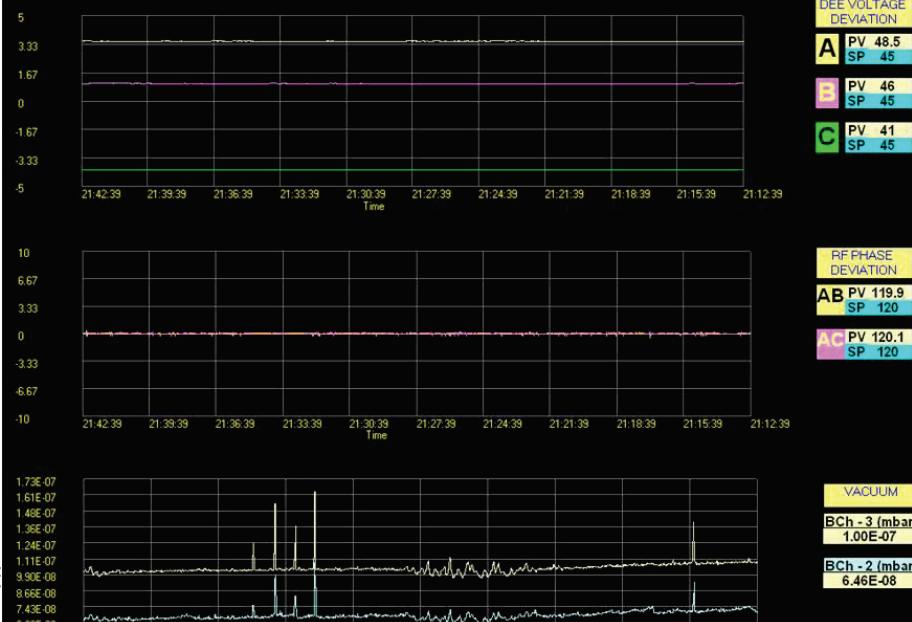
Now

RF Voltage

RF Phase

Vacuum

September 16



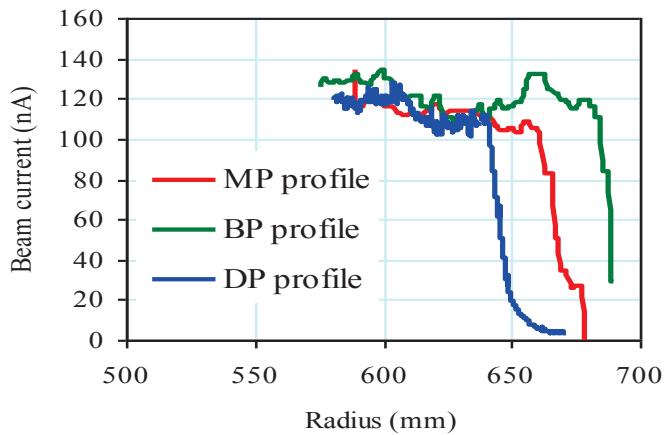
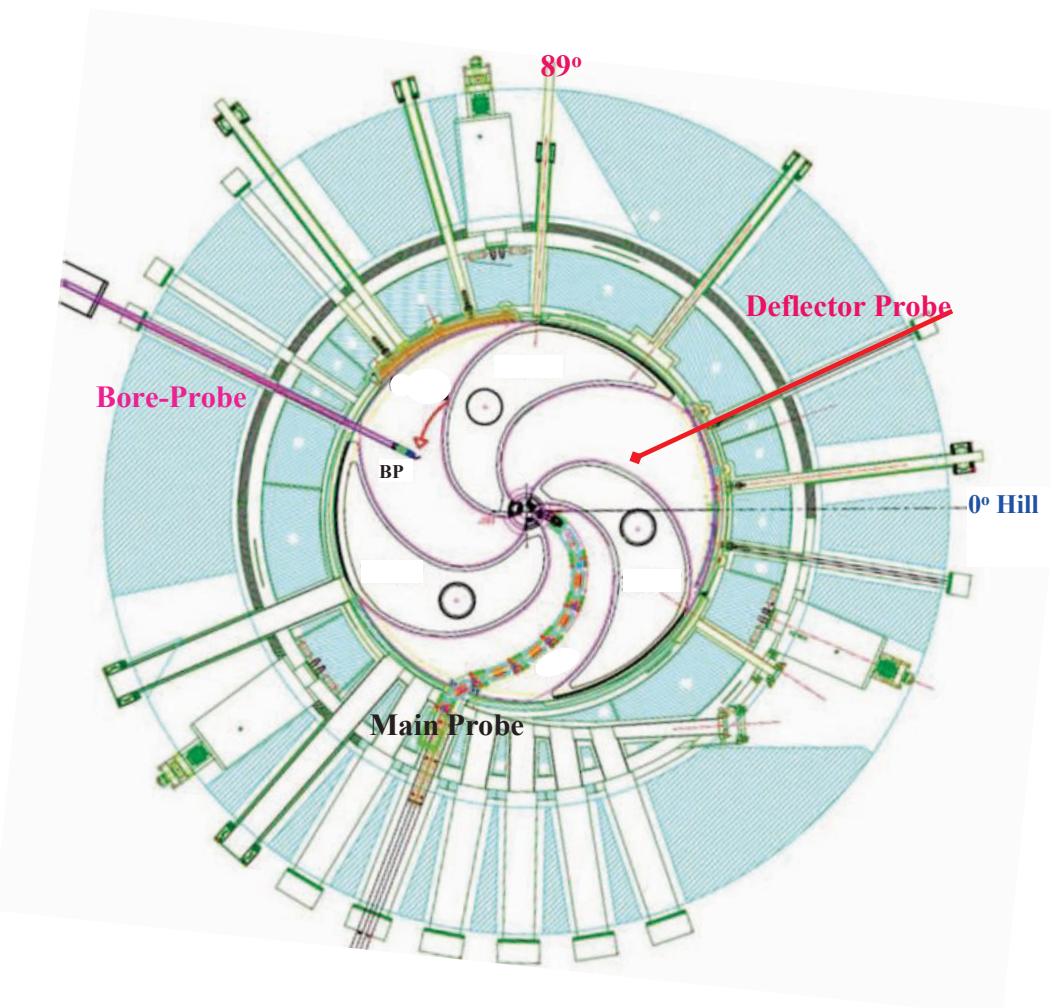
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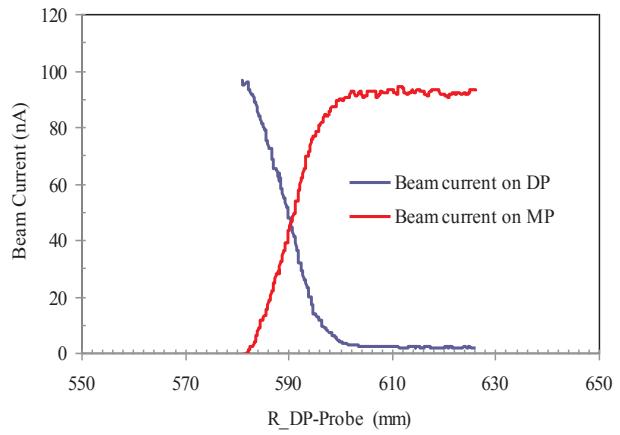


Orbit Off-Centering Measurement by Shadowing Method

Measurement with three probes by shadowing technique

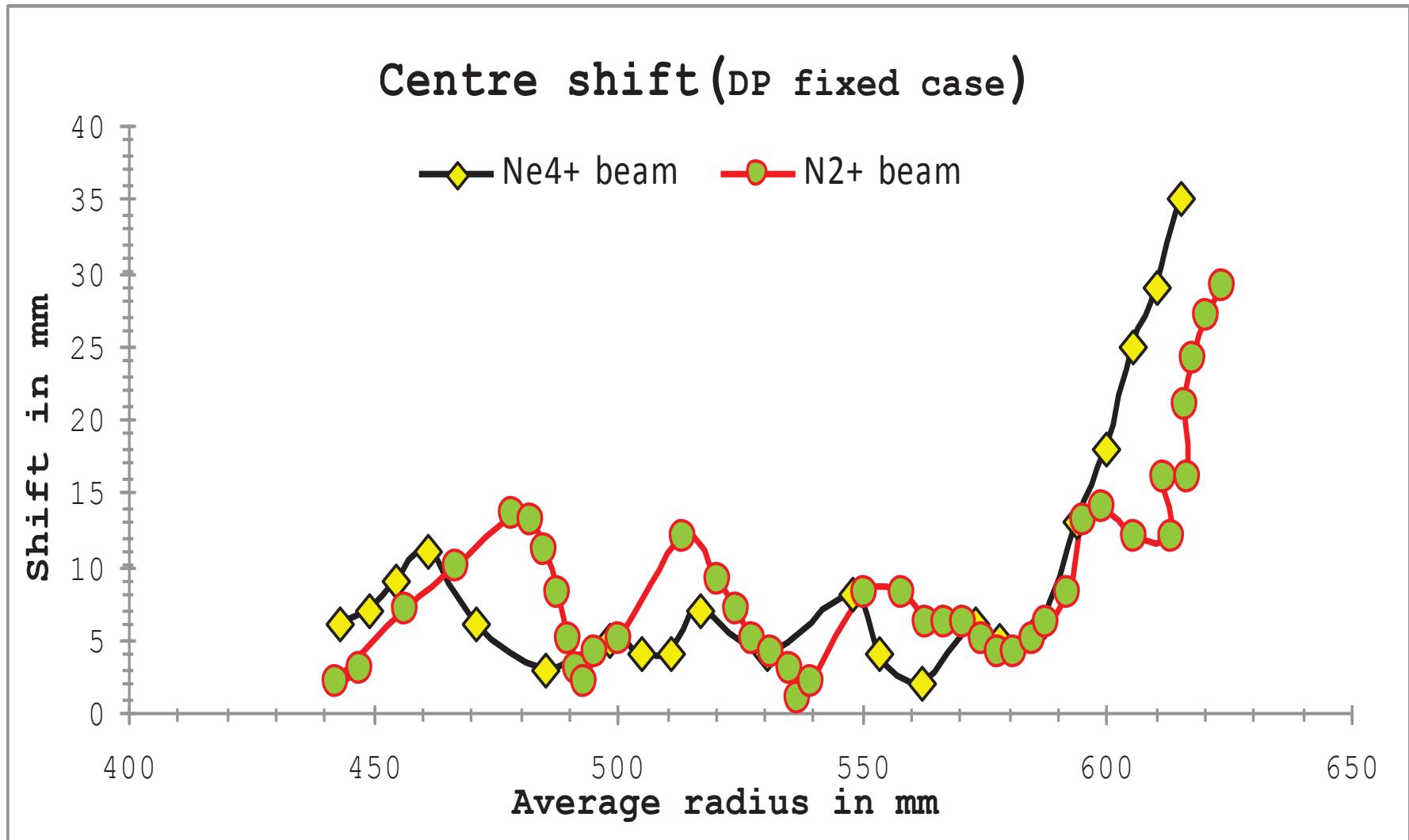


MP is fixed at 600 mm, DP is moving





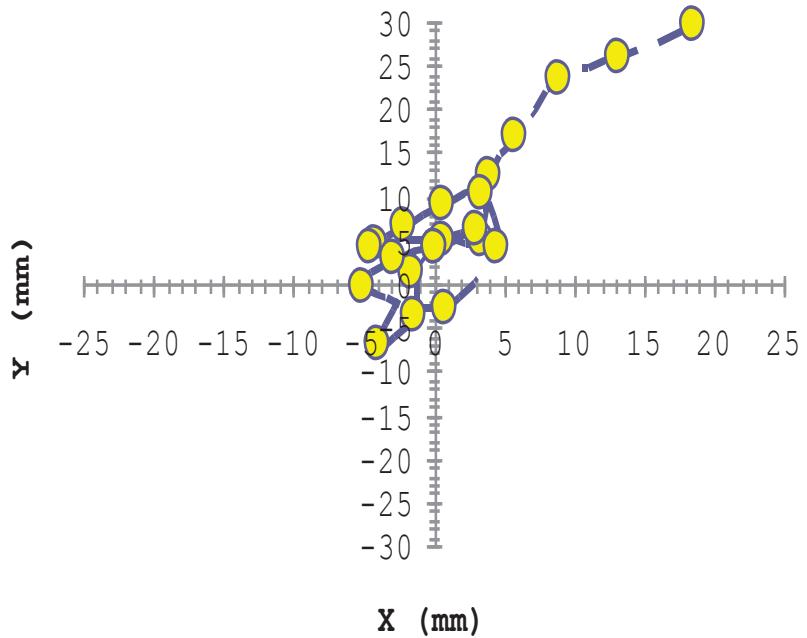
Beam off-centering measurement



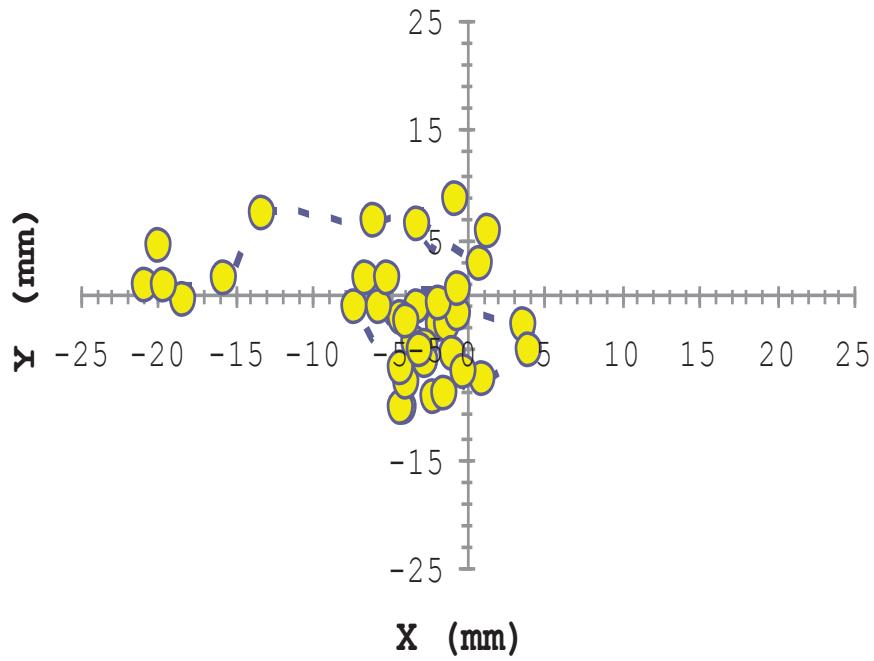


Beam off-centering measurement

Position of beam centre- Ne^{4+}



Position of beam centre- N_2^{+}





Beam off-centering measurement

Beam centering measurement with three probes by shadowing technique

Observation:

Beam gets off-centered after 600 mm radius

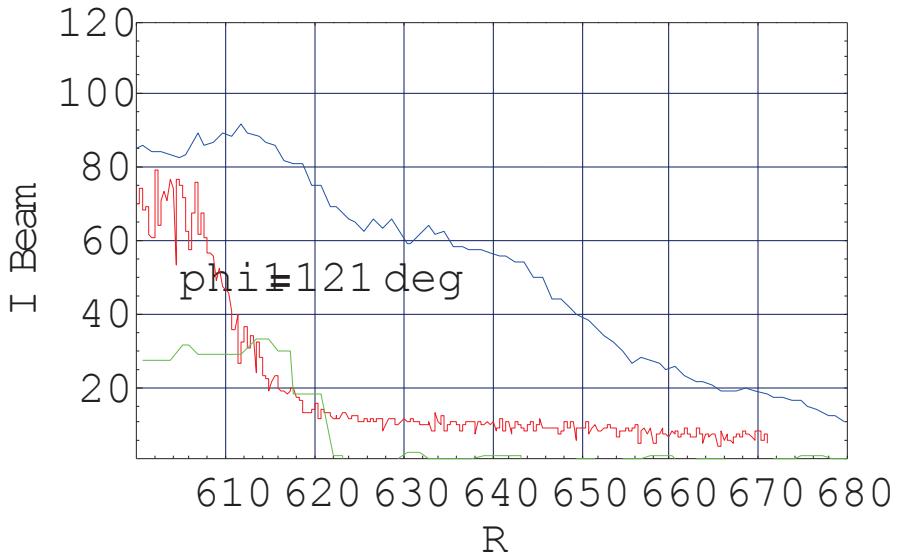
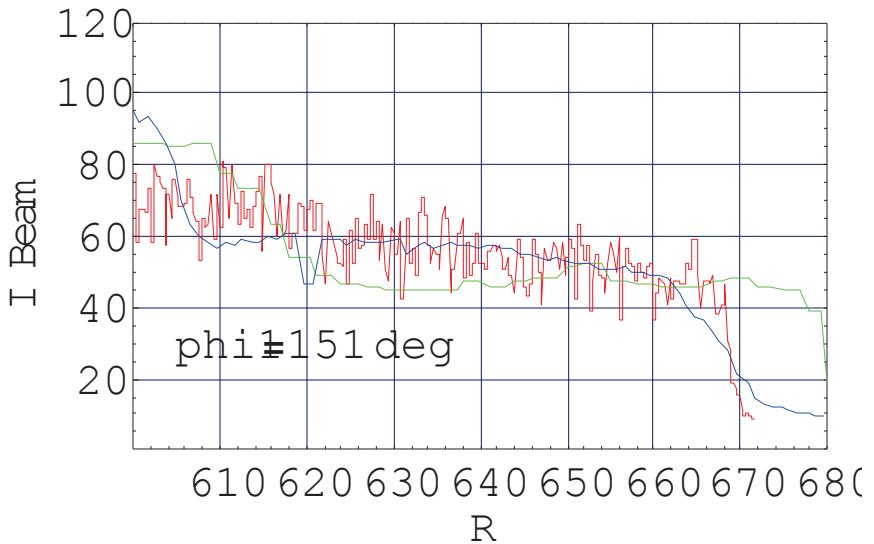
Deflector position at 667 mm



Beam off-centering measurement

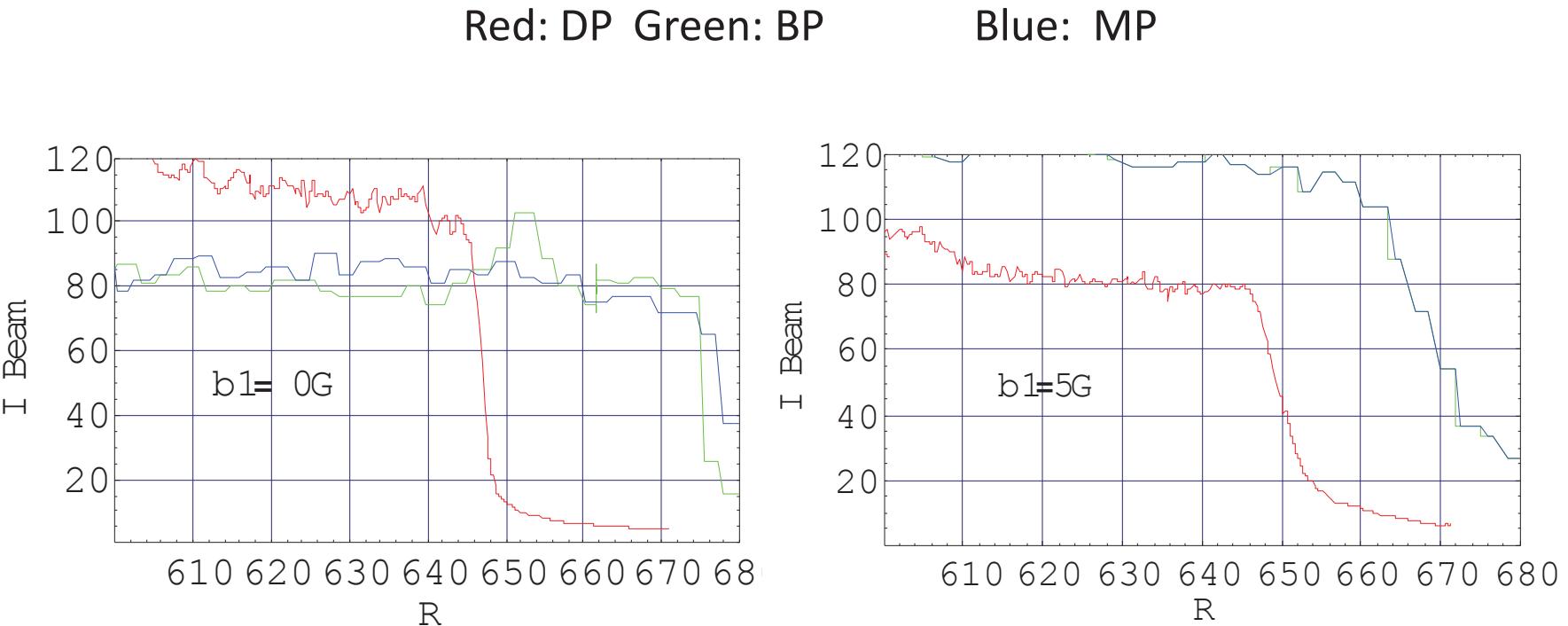
Beam profile on DP (25°), Bp (154°) and MP with different ϕ_1 , $b_1 = 10$ G

Red: DP Green: BP Blue: MP

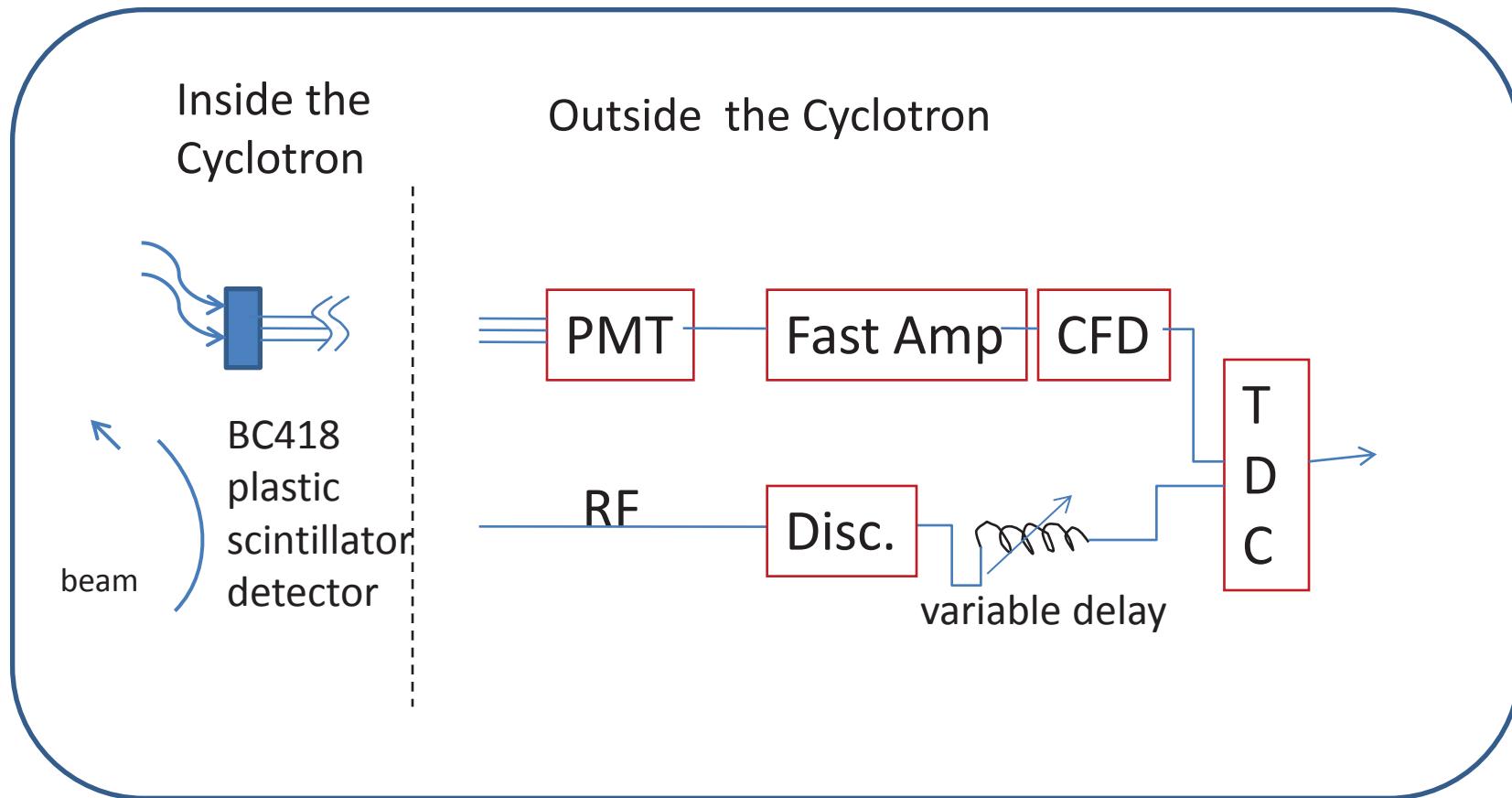


Beam off-centering measurement

Beam profile on DP (25°), Bp (154°) and MP with different b_1 at $\phi_1=151^\circ$



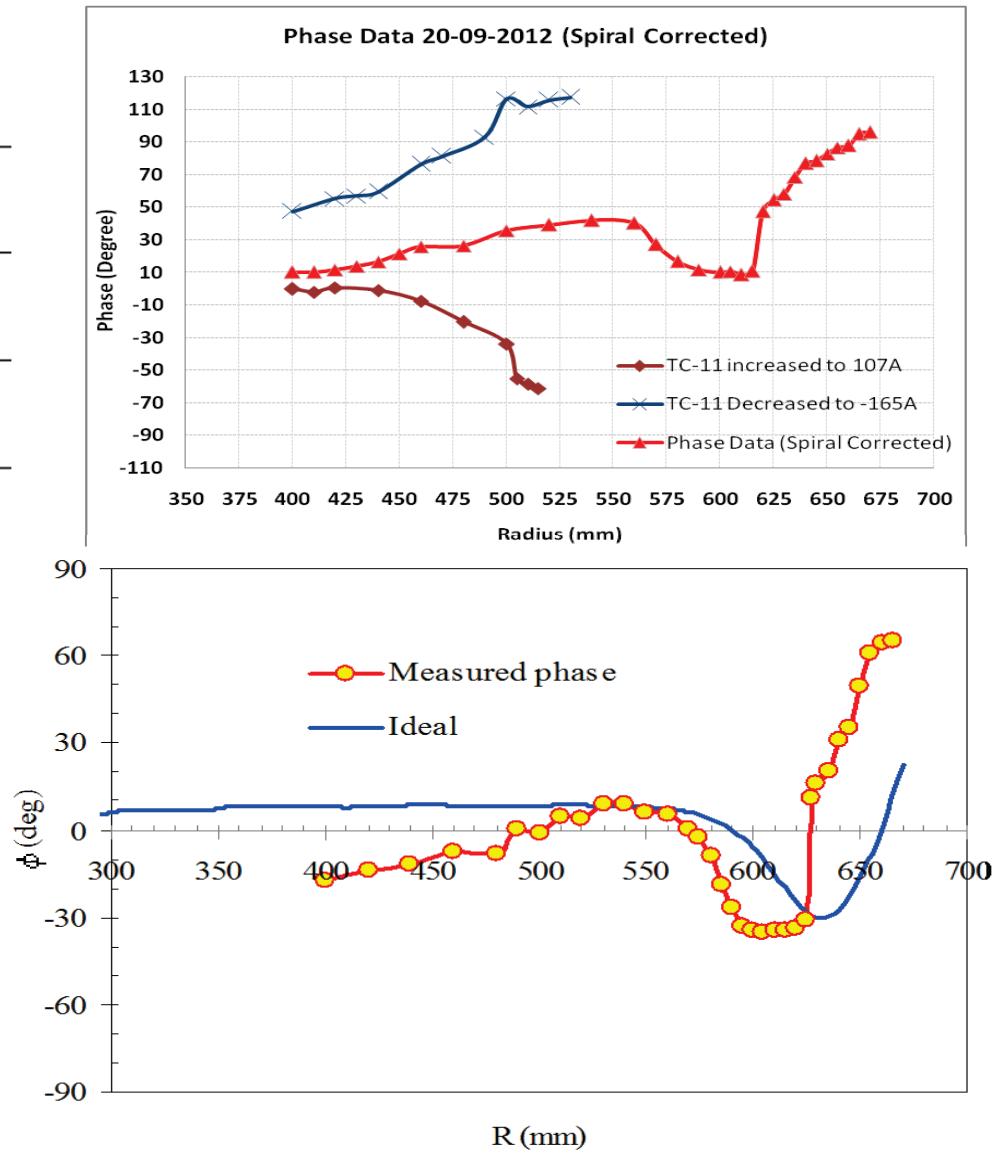
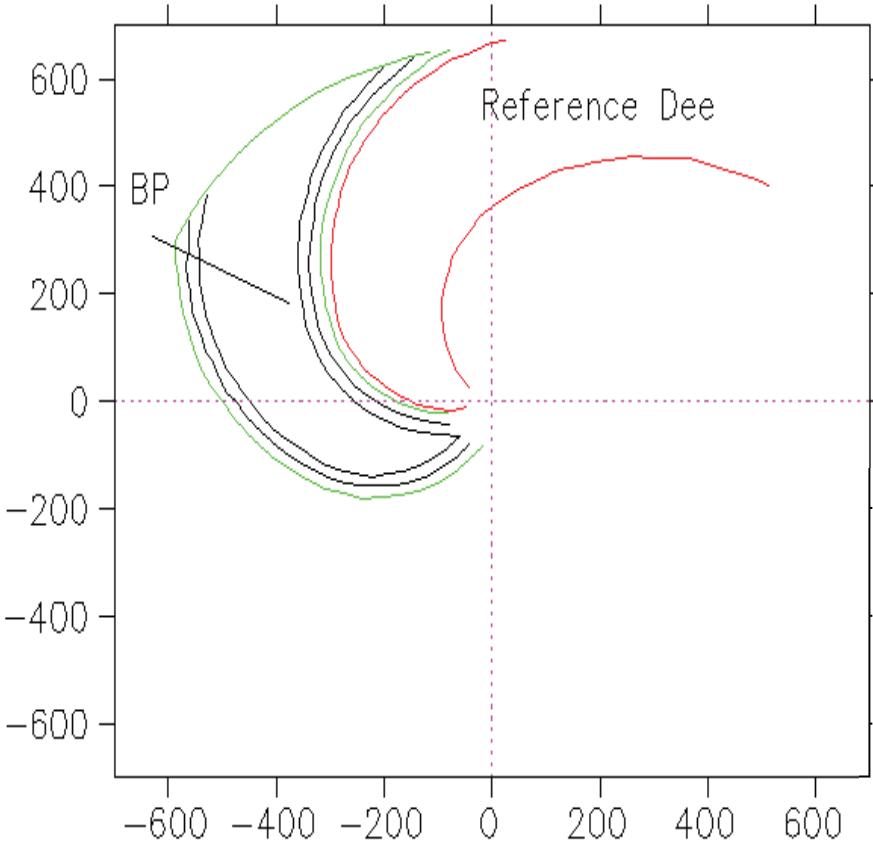
Beam phase measurement using plastic scintillator detector



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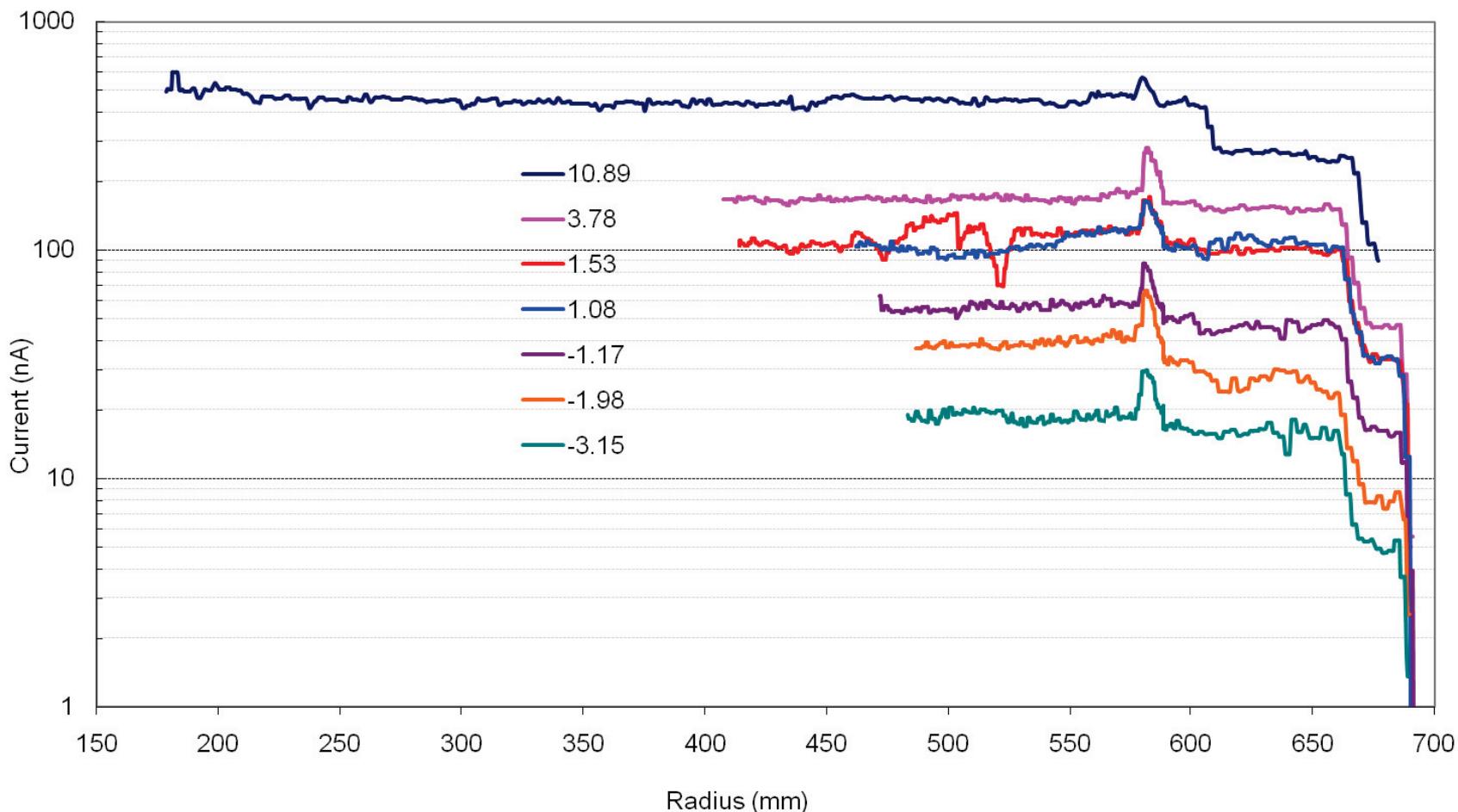
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Beam Phase measurement

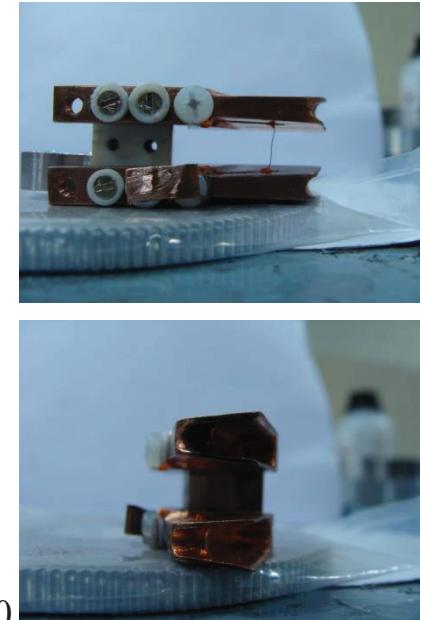
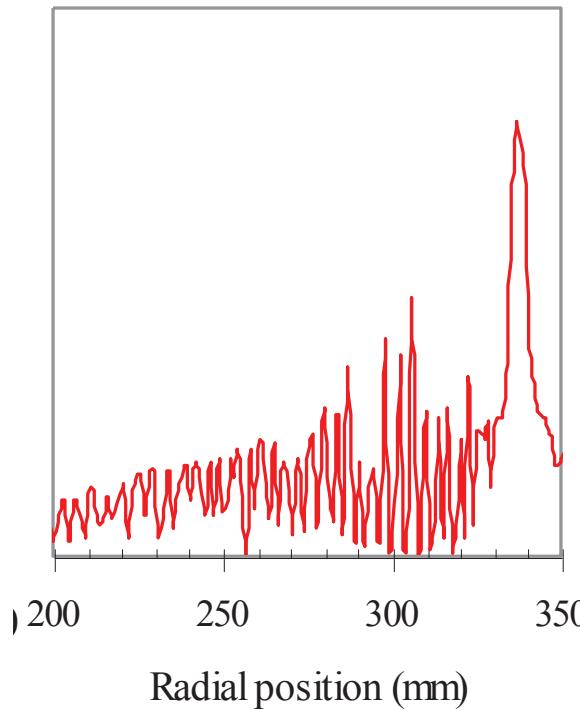
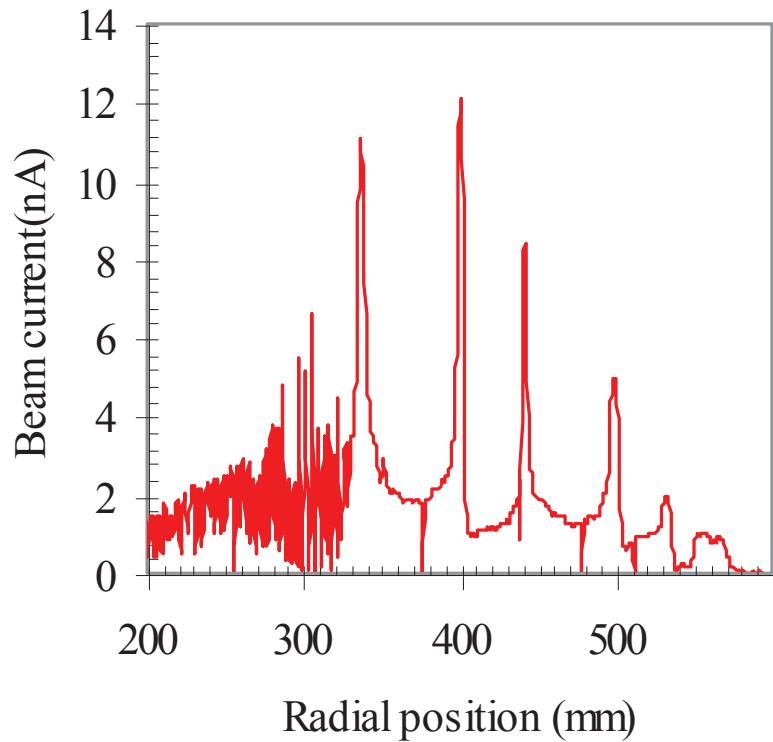


Online Rotation of Inflector

Beam Current profile for different inflector rotation



ΔR probe profile



Expanded view of ΔR probe current from 150 mm to 350 mm shows the separate turn patterns which is basically a function of energy gain per turn with added effect of orbit centering etc.

ΔR Probe

Field Re-mapping: Search coil calibration

Ne4+, 19 MHz, h=2 Operation. Ia/Ib=448.9/281.09 A

Exploration for the 2nd NMR location (for Locking) for search coil calibration:

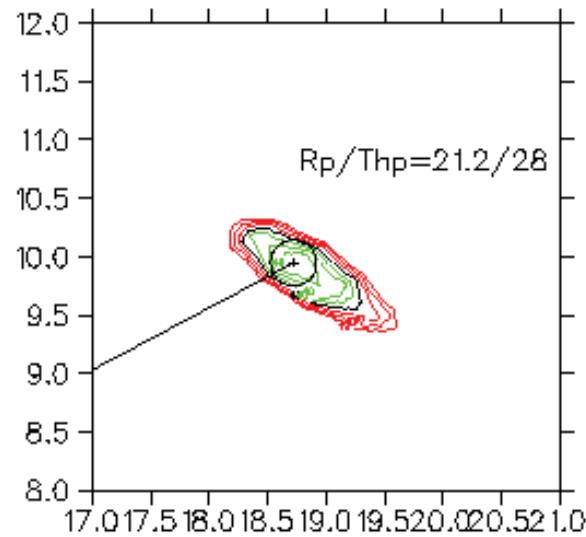


Fig1. Ia/Ib=448.9/281.09 A
1G different contours at the Hill-
Centre

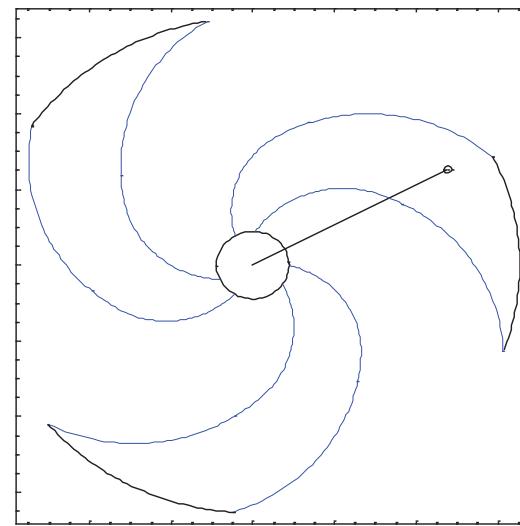
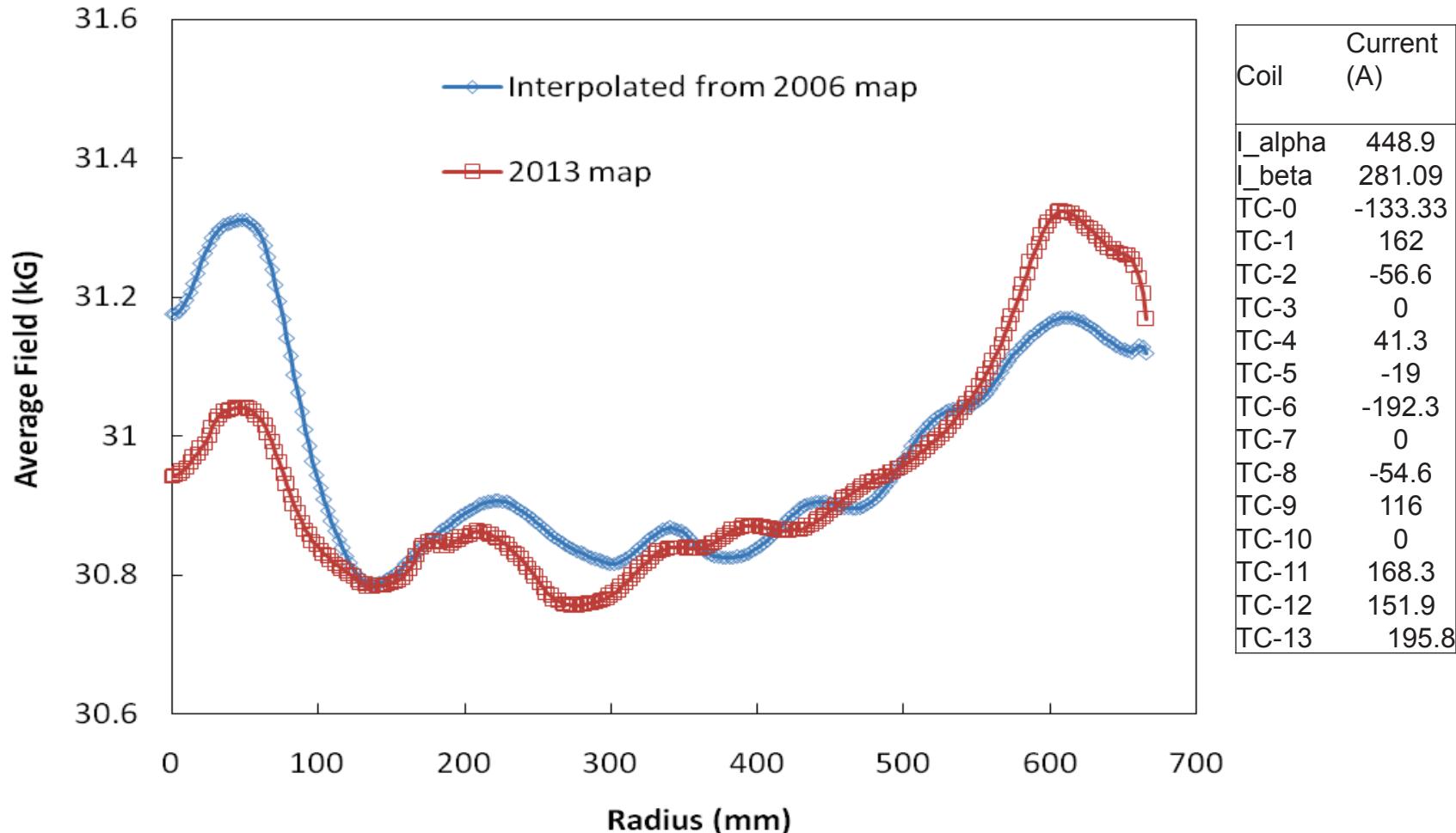


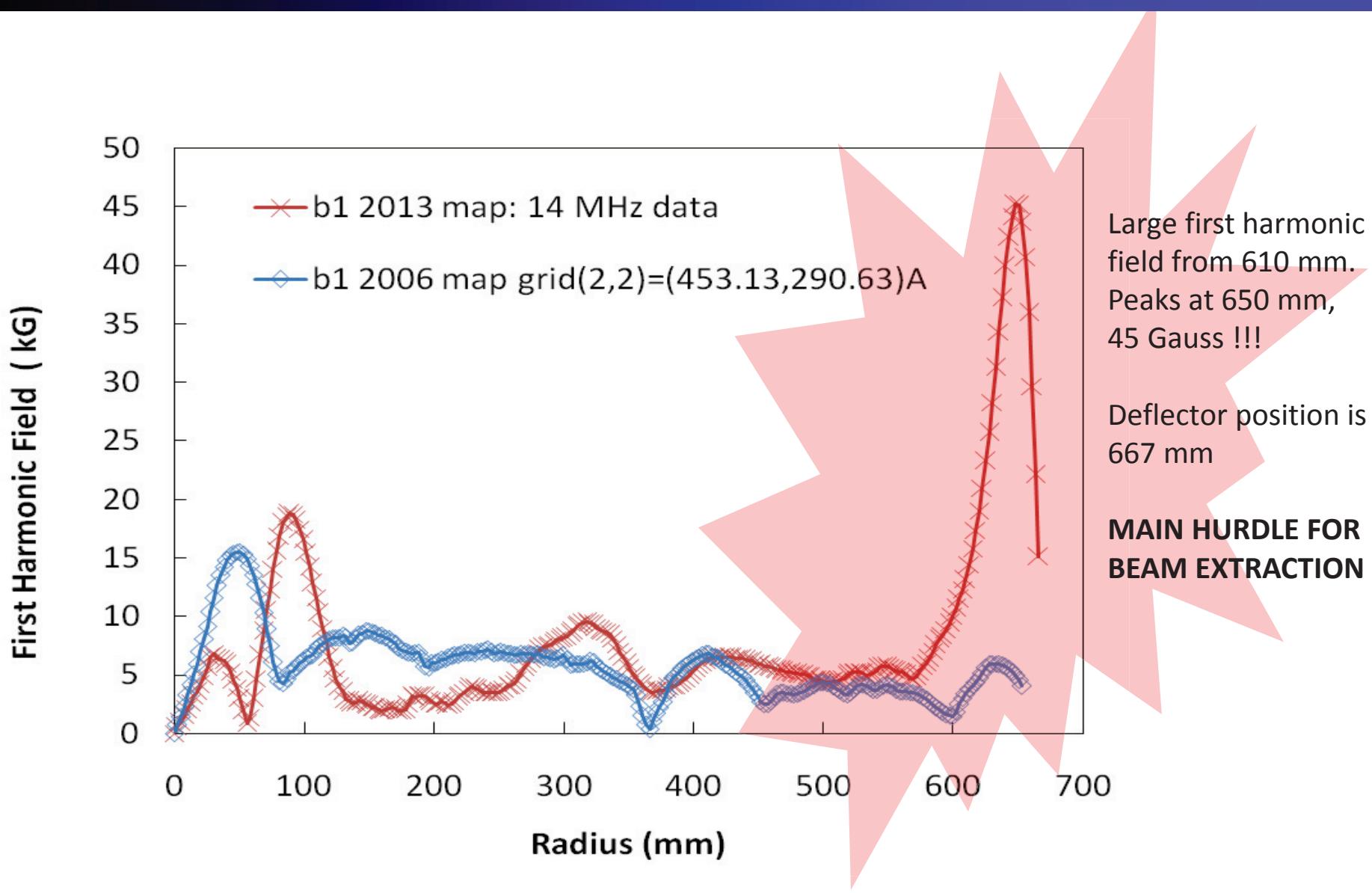
Fig2. NMR position on the Sector-C

Average magnetic Field

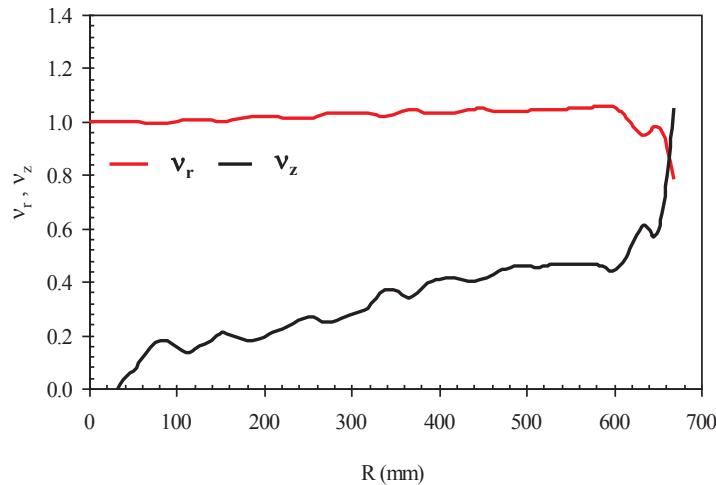
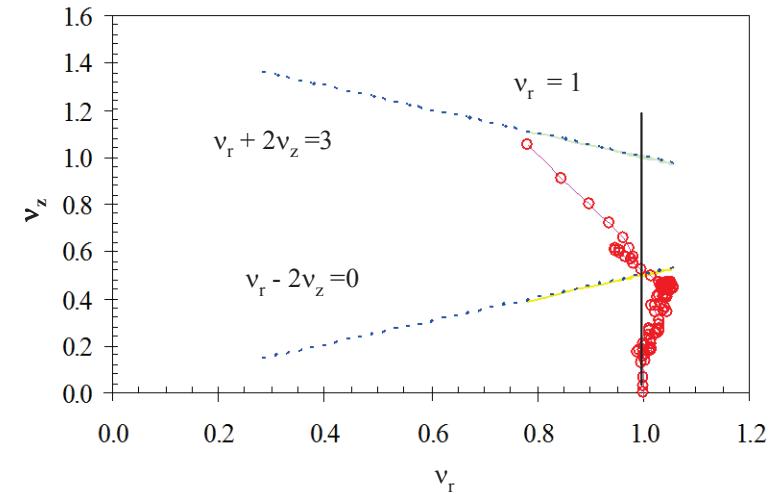
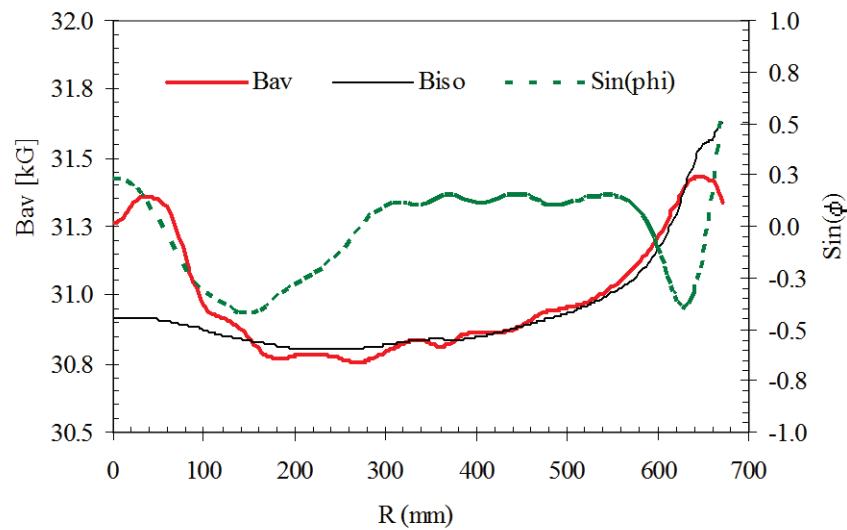
Ne^{4+} in 2nd harmonic mode of operation at RF frequency 19 MHz



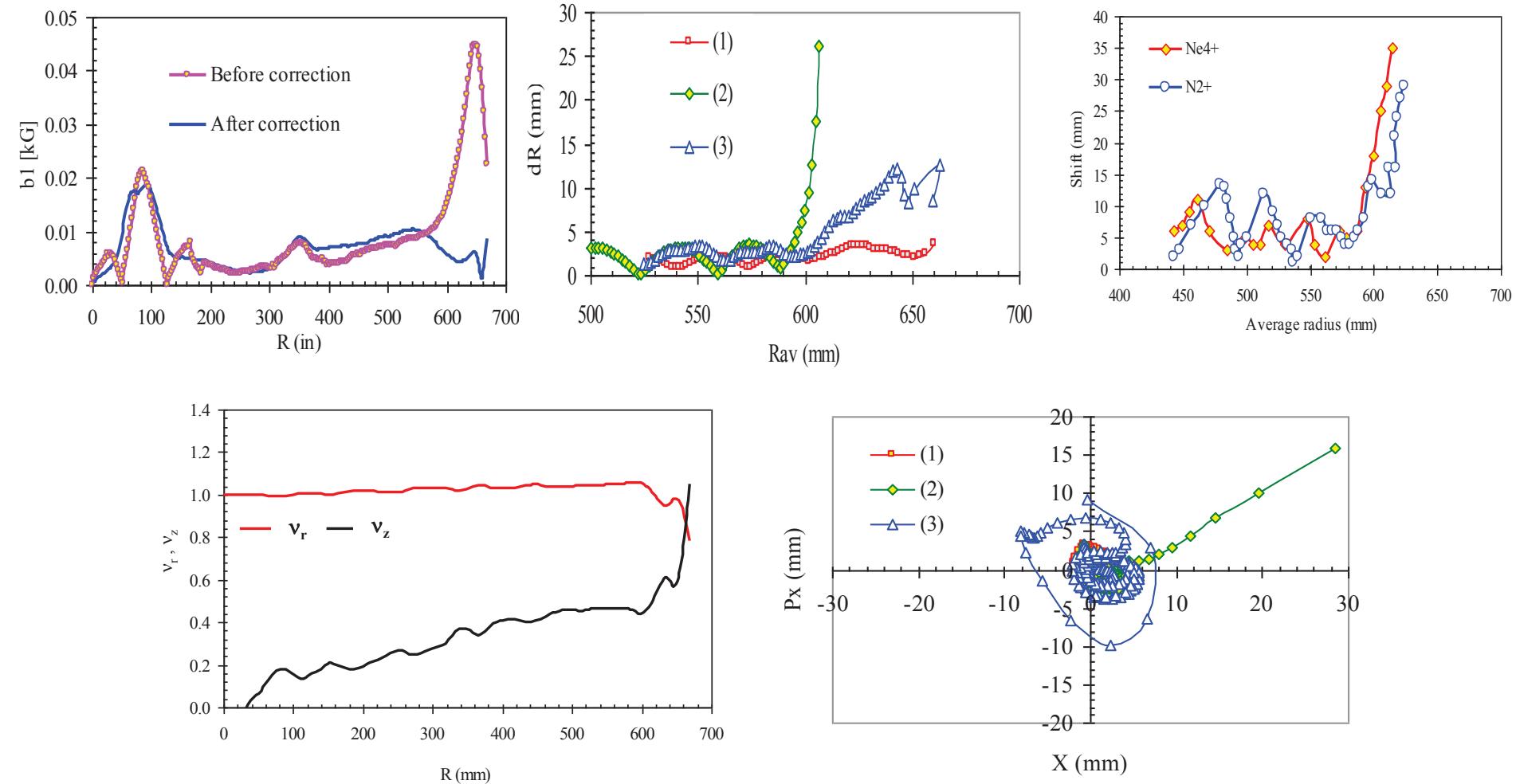
1st harmonic field:



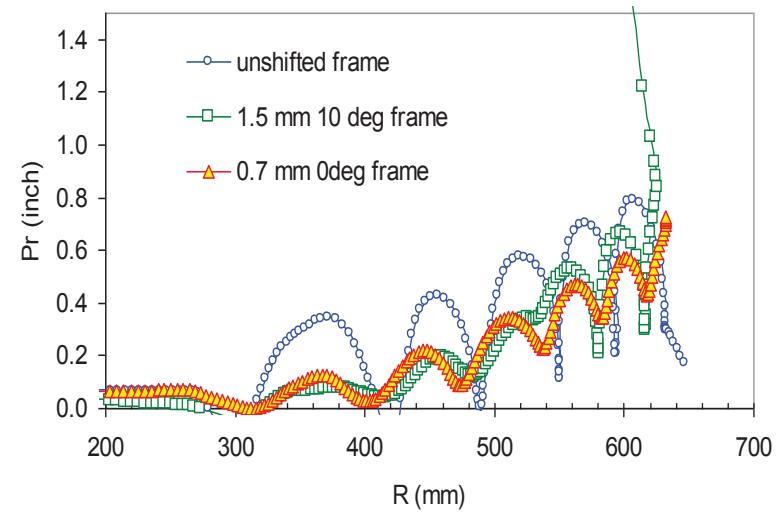
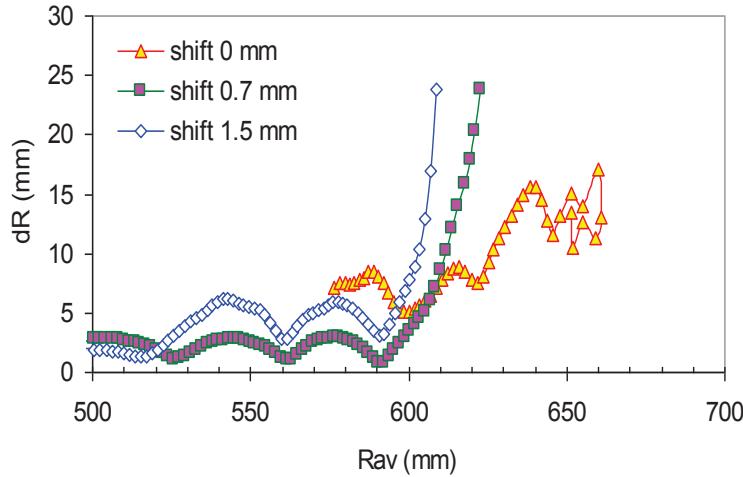
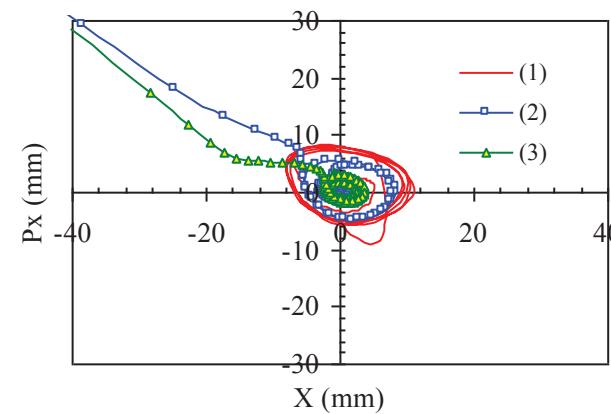
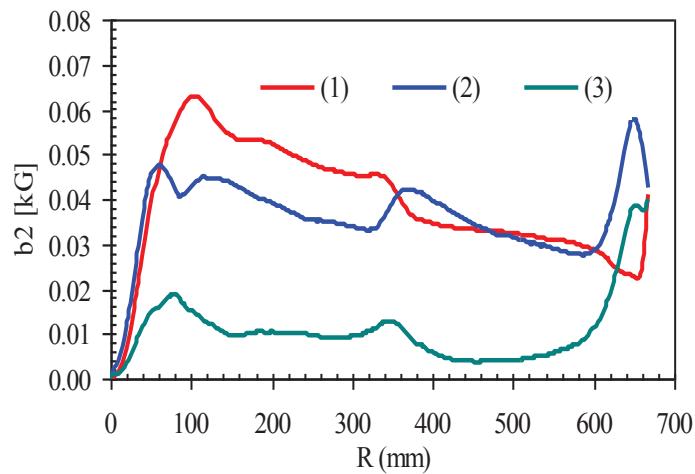
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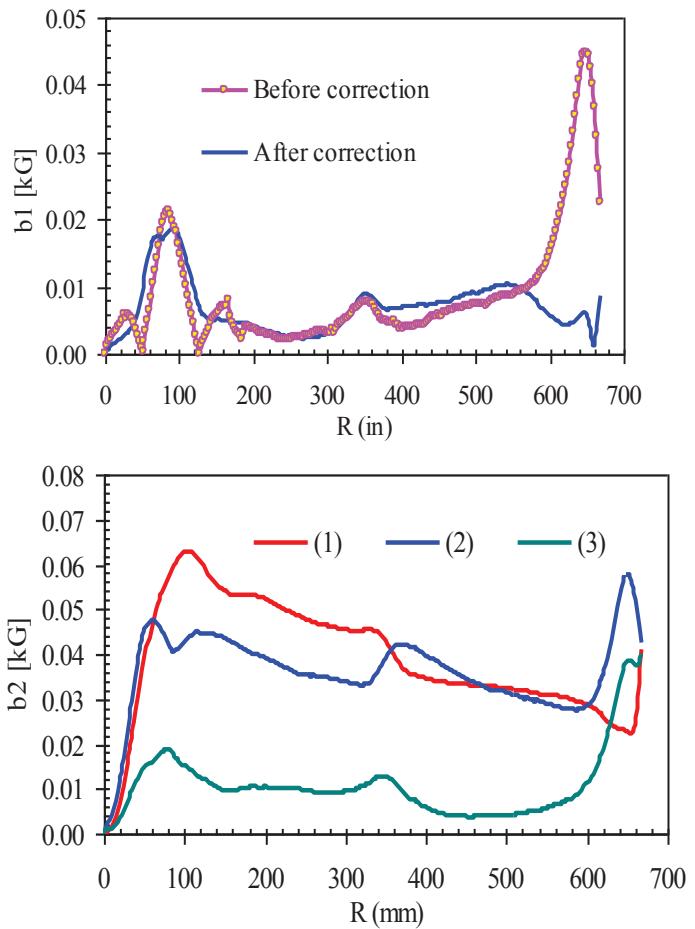
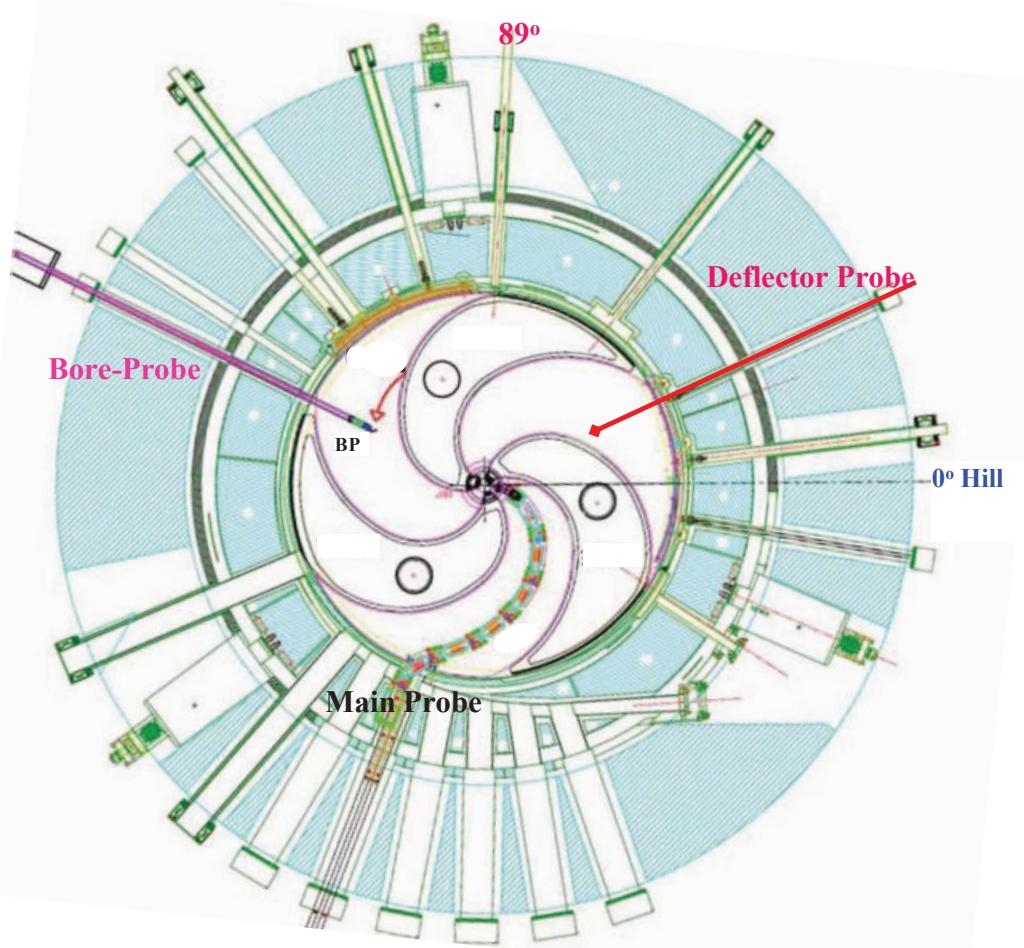
Beam off-centering simulations:



Beam off-centering simulations:



Shimming



The Machine is ready for Beam Trial, We are starting Beam Tuning

Thank You

