





Optimization of the target and magnetic horn for the CERN to Fréjus neutrino beam Nikolas Vassilopoulos, IPHC/CNRS, Strasbourg











- Target Studies
- Horn shape & SuperBeam Geometrical Optimization
- Horn Thermo-mechanical Studies
- Energy Deposition, Irradiation and Safety Studies

## **Proton Beam and Target/Horn Station**

- $E_{\rm b} = 4.5 \, {\rm GeV}$
- Beam Power =  $4MW \rightarrow 4x1 1.3MW$
- Repetition Rate = 50Hz -> 12.5Hz
- Protons per pulse =  $1.1 \times 10^{14}$
- Beam pulse length = 0.6ms



(hallo~1%)



4-horn/target system in order to accommodate the 4MW power @ 1-1.3MW, repetition rate @ 12.5Hz for each target



# beam window



## Important Issues for the engineering of the target

- Heat Removal
  - ✓ Beam  $\approx$  60 120kW depending on Target Material/configuration
- Thermal/mechanical stresses
  - long lived "quasi-static" stresses that generated by temperature variations within the target
  - inertial dynamic stress waves that are generated by the pulsed nature of the beam
- Cooling
  - ✓ water
  - helium
  - peripheral vs transversal cooling
- Neutron Production heat load/damage of horn
- > Safety
- Radiation resistance
- Reliability
- Pion yield

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## from Liquid Targets to Static Packed one

### Summary of target options

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Mercury jet	<	EUROnu-WP2-note-11-01
high-Z (too many neutro not chemically compatib	ons & heat load on horn) ble with horn	2-110te-11-01
Graphite rod		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	grades with radiation damage	e
mechanical stress depe	nds on dT	
hence short life time		
Beryllium rod		
thermal stress is signific	cant	
alternative geometries of	could overcome the problem	(still
under investigation)		
Integrated Be target and horn		
extra heat load makes i	t even more challenging	
combined failure modes	could reduce the life time	
Fluidised powder target		favourable baseline for
potential solution for hig	her heat load	WP2
Static pebble bed		
reduced stresses. Favo	urable transversal cooling. G	Bood yield
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## **Cooling layout & medium**

#### Water

avoid enclosed water in proximity of the beam:

1K of (instantaneous) beam induced heating generates approximately 5bar of pressure rise which may result in water hammer and/or cavitation

#### Helium

### favourable methods

almost beam "neutral" is good also for transversal flow cooling (across the beam footprint)

although pressure has to be kept higher (10bar) to obtain a high cooling efficiency.

No generation of stress waves in coolant.

Lew activation of coolant. No corrosion problems

#### Peripheral vs transversal cooling

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peripheral cooling does not appear sufficient to maintain a low dT within the target material.

A transversal cooling arrangement may be necessary to provide cooling at the core of the target.

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## Cylindrical Solid Target

#### with peripheral cooling

- Initial baseline was a solid cylindrical beryllium target. This has since been ruled out
  - At thermal equilibrium (after a few hundred beam pulses) large temperature variations develop within the target
  - The large ∆T between the target surface and core leads to an excessive steady-state thermal stress
  - This ∆T depends on the material thermal conductivity and cannot be overcome by more aggressive surface cooling
     ruled out



Temperature (left) and and Von-Mises thermal stress (right) corresponding to steady state operation of a peripherally cooled cylindrical beryllium target

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# Packed bed Target

Why packed bed target with transversal cooling is the baseline option ?

- Large surface area for heat transfer
- Coolantable to access areas with highest energy deposition
- Minimal stresses
- Potential heat removal rates at the hundreds of kW level
- Pressurised cooling gas required at high power levels
- Bulk density lower than solid density
- From a thermal and engineering point of view seems a reasonable concept where stress levels in a traditional solid target design look concerningly high



Packed Bed Target Concept for Euronu (or other high power beams) Packed bed cannister in parallel flow configuration

Packed bed target front end









# Stresses for the Packed bed target

EUROnu example, 24mm diameter cannister packed with 3mm Ti6Al4V spheres Quasi thermal and Inertial dynamic components



INPUTS		LIMITING FACTORS							
Beam Power	heat deposited	Sphere diameter	Helium	Meximum Power Deposition	Maximum Helium Temperature	Sphere Core Temperature	Max Sphere VMStress	Minimum Yield Stress / VMStress	Pressure Drop
1MW	50kW	3mm	10bar	2.2e9W/m3	133°C	296°C	49MPa	11.7	0.45bar
1.3MW	65kW	3mm	10bar	2.9e9W/m3	133°C	331°C	65MPa	8.7	0.73bar
4MW	200kW	3mm	10bar	8.8e9W/m3	200°C	650°C	116MPa	3.8	2.8bar
4MW	200kW	3mm	20bar	8.8e9W/m3	133°C	557°C	140MPa	3.2	3.4bar
AMM	200kW	3mm	20bar	8.8e9\//m3	200°C	650°C	116MPa	3.8	1.4ber

# Alternative solution: pencil "closed" Be Solid target



Temperature (left) and Von-Mises thermal stress (right) corresponding to a steady state operation with a surface  $HTC = 4kW/m^2K$ , bulk fluid temp =  $30^{\circ}C$ 

## Pencil like Geometry merits further investigation

- Steady-state thermal stress within acceptable range
- Shorter conduction path to coolant
- Pressurized helium cooling appears feasible
- Off centre beam effects could be problematic? -
- Needs further thermo-mechanical studies



# Horn Studies

evolution of the horn shape after many studies:

details in WP2 notes @ http://www.euronu.org/

- triangle shape (van der Meer) with target inside the horn : in general best configuration for low energy beam
- triangle with target integrated to the inner conductor : very good physics results but high energy deposition and stresses on the conductors
- Forward-closed shape with target integrated to the inner conductor : best physics results, best rejection of wrong sign mesons but high energy deposition and stresses
- forward-closed shape with no-integrated target: best comp between physics and reliability

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## Horn Shape and SuperBeam geometrical Optimization



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value [mm]
589, 468, 603, 475, 10.8
3, 3, 3, 3
108
50.8
12
780
68
191, 359
12
30



minimize  $\lambda$ , the  $\delta_{cp}$ -averaged 99%CL sensitivity limit on  $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ broad scan, then fix & restrict parameters then re-iterate for best horn parameters & SuperBeam geometry

#### **Converging to better limits**



broad parameters' scan

- restricted intervals for effective parameters  $\rightarrow$  horn with min  $\lambda$
- vary tunnel parameters in L [15-35] m r [1.5-4.5] m

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# Horn Stress Studies



## horn structure

- Al 6061 T6 alloy; good trade off between mechanical strength, resistance to corrosion and electrical conductivity and cost
- horn thickness has to be as small as possible for the best physics performance and to limit energy deposition from secondary particles but thick enough to sustain dynamic stress from the pulsed currents.

## horn stress and deformation

- magnetic pressure and thermal dilatation
- ✓ COMSOL, ANSYS software

# coolingwater

# EUROnu scenario for 4-horn system



Parameters	value [mm]
$L_1, L_2, L_3, L_4, L_5$	589,468,603,475,10.8
$t_1,t_2$ , $t_3,t_4$	3, 10, 3, 10
$r_1, r_2$	108
$r_3$	50.8
$R^{tg}$	12
$L^{tg}$	780
$z^{tg}$	68
$R_2, R_3, R_4$	191,  359,  272
$R_1$ non integrated	30

 Table 1: Horn geometric parameters.



Parameters	Range	Reference value
Beam Power $P_{beam}[MW]$	-	4
Energy per pulse[kJ]	-	80
Kinetic energy of protons[GeV]		4.5
Number of pulse in 1s		50
Number of protons per pulse		$1.11\times 10^{14}$
Number of bunch per pulse		6
Number of protons per bunch		$1.85 \times 10^{13}$
bunch duration[ns]		120
Energy per bunch[kJ]		13.33
Power for each bunch[GW]		111
repetition rate per horn[Hz]	-	12.5(16.6)
Power per horn[MW]	11.3	1.4
Peak Current $I_0$ [kA]	300 350	350
Beam width $\sigma$ [mm]	-	4
Current frequency per horn [Hz]	-	12.5(16.6)

Table 2: Beam and horn parameters.

## Stress Analysis for the SPL SuperBeam Horn I



## Stress Analysis II

Combined analysis of Thermo-mechanical and magnetic pressure induced stresses:

- significant stress or the inner conductor especially, for the upstream corner and downstream plate inner part
- high stress at inner conductor welded junctions
- thermal dilatation contributes to longitudinal stress; displacement is low due to the magnetic pulse
- maximum displacement at downstream plate
- > horn lifetime estimation: results have to be compared with fatigue strength data
- > more water-jet cooling might be applied



e)  $u_{max} = 1.14 \text{ mm}, t = 80.04 \text{ ms}$ 





displacement and stress time evolution, peak magnetic field each T=80ms (4-horns)

f) Von Mises stress  $s_{max} = 59.0$  MPa, t = 80.04 ms

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power distribution on Al conductor

planar and/or elliptical water jets
 flow rate between 60-120l/min
 h cooling coefficient 1-7 kW/(m<sup>2</sup>K)
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design for 60°C uniform horn temperature:

✓ { $h_{corner}$ ,  $h_{inner}$ ,  $h_{outer/horn}$  }= {6.5, 3.8, 1} kW/(m<sup>2</sup>K)/longitudinal repartition of the jets follows the energy density deposition

 $\checkmark$  30 jets/horn, 5 systems of 6-jets longitudinally distributed every 60°





for Experimental Hall (Target/Horns, DT, Beam Dump), Safety Gallery, Maintenance Room, Waste

Area

Design includes:

- Proton Driver line
- > Experimental Hall
  - ✓ MW Target Station

Safety II

- ✓ Decay Tunnel
- ✓ Beam Dump
- Maintenance Room
- Service Gallery
  - ✓ Power supply
  - ✓ Cooling system
  - ✓ Air-Ventilation
    - system
- > Waste Area



# Energy deposition and

# Activation Studies

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### ACTIVITY density in Bq/cm<sup>3</sup>





- $\rightarrow$  minimum/none effective dose to humans in other galleries
- detailed tables of the radionuclides
- > water contamination from tritium is well kept under safety levels



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## **Energy Deposition in Beam Dump vessel**



➤ concrete:

t = 5.6m L = 8.4m

➢ He vessel + iron plates, water cooled
≥  $t_{Fe} = 10-40$  cm
≥  $L_{Fe} = 4$  m

upstream shield (iron plates), water cooled
 t<sub>Fe</sub> = 40cm
 L<sub>Fe</sub> = 1m

Graphite beam dump:
 L = 3.2m, W = 4m, H = 4m
 P = 530kW

downstream iron shield (iron plates), water cooled:
  $L_{Fe} = 40$ cm,  $W_{Fe} = 4$ m,  $H_{Fe} = 4$ m
  $P_{Fe} = 10.3$ kW

outer iron shields (iron plates), water cooled
 L Fee = 2m, WFe = 4.8m, HFe = 4.8m
 PFe = 1.1kW

## Activation in molasse

(full 4horn simulation, medium stats: 10<sup>6</sup> protons, 20% error)

study set up:
✓ packed Ti target, 65%d<sub>Ti</sub>
✓ 4MW beam, 4horns, 200days of irradiation



minimum activation leads to minimum water contamination
 concrete thickness determines the activation of the molasse results:

> of all the radionuclide's created <sup>22</sup> Na and tritium could represent a hazard by contaminating the ground water. Limits in activity after 1y=200days of beam:

CERN annual activity constraints in molasse (for achieving 0.3mSv for the public through water)		SuperBeam, (preliminary)
<sup>22</sup> Na	4.2 x 1011 Bq	- (to be investigated)
tritium	3.1 x 10 <sup>15</sup> Bq	6x10 <sup>8</sup> Bq

# Target Activity at Storage Area

study set up:

- packed Ti target, 65%d<sub>Ti</sub>
- 1.3MW beam, 200days of irradiation
- > no other activation at storage area



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Dose Rates for target/horn at Storage/Service Area, 1

#### radiation limits as in CNGS notes:

	Limits per 12-months period (mSv)		
	Public	Workers	
France	< 1	< 20	
Switzerland	< 1	< 20	
CERN	< 0.3	< 20, if .gt. 2mSv/month report to Swiss authorities	

### rates (e.g.):

The at 60cm distance from the outer conductor (calculation of the rates using 20cmx20cmx20cm mesh binning through out the layout -> choose a slice of xaxis with 20cm thickness and 60cm away)



## Dose Rates target/horn at Storage Area, II



-> remote handling mandatory

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# Conclusions

- > Horn with separated target baseline as result of dynamic and static stress analyses
- ➢ 4-horn system to reduce the 4MW power effects
- > Horn shape defined as forward-closed due to best physics results and reliability issues
- Packed-bed Target is preferable in multi-Watt beam environment due to minimum stresses and high heat rate removal due to transverse cooling among others
- > Stress analysis support the feasibility of the target/horn design. Furthermore the power supply design looks feasible as well
- Minimum activation in molasse rock for current secondary beam layout
- > High dose rates in Storage Gallery -> remote handling for repairs mandatory

to be continued ...

# Thanks

### "Pencil Shaped" Solid Target

- A potential solution may be found by shaping the upstream end of the target such that the cooling fluid is in close proximity to the region of peak energy deposition
  - Shorter conduction path to coolant
  - Reduced ΔT between surface and location of Tmax
  - Thermal stress is reduced to an acceptable level
  - Able to operate with a factor 2 x less aggressive surface cooling
  - Pressurised helium gas cooling appears feasible



Temperature (left) and Von-Mises thermal stress (right) corresponding to steady state operation of a peripherally cooled "pencil shaped" beryllium target

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# pen like target: cooling



# considerations:

## Off Centre Beam (Accident Case)

- Lateral deflection due to steady-state off-centre heating:
  - 13 mm lateral deflection if cantilevered from downstream end
  - Max stress increased to 120 MPa (recall 83 MPa in well centred beam case)



#### Deflection (left) and Von-Mises thermal stress (right) corresponding to a laterally mis-steered beam

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**Physics Performance for different Targets I** 



**Physics Performance for different Targets II** 



### Energy Deposition from secondary particles on Horn,

1.3MW, Ti packed bed target

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## Energy Deposition on horns # 2,4, active horn is #1

### 1.3MW beam, 350kA, graphite target



Power in kW for the horns next to the active one			
total	inner	outer	plates
o.8 (5.5% of active horn)	0.1	0.6 (50% of outer next to 1 <sup>st</sup> )	0.1

## Response to magnetic pulses



Maximum von Mises stress due to magnetic pulses = 18 MPa (at 300 kA) = 24.5 MPa (at 350 kA)

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## **Energy deposition on SuperBeam Elements**





DT Fe vessel	DT concrete	Gr Beam Dump
320kW	720kW	530kW
water		water



# <doses> in longitudinal plane along beam axis after

200d of irradiation



high dose rates along SuperBeam layout->remote handling mandatory for any part of the 4-horn system in target/horn station