Application of Plasma Phenomena



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Materials:

https://capst.ncku.edu.tw/PGS/index.php/teaching/

Online courses:

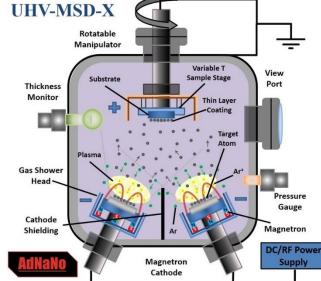
https://nckucc.webex.com/nckucc/j.php?MTID=m4082f23c59af0571015416f6 e58dd803

Examples of magnetron sputtering deposition









https://angstromengineering.com/tech/magnetron-sputtering/pulsed-dc/https://dynavac.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Confocal-Sputtering-2.jpg https://www.adnano-tek.com/magnetron-sputtering-deposition-msd.html

Demonstration experiments – magnetron sputtering



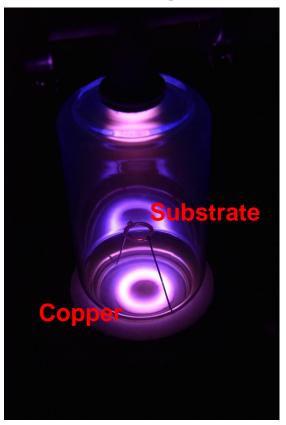
System



Without magnet

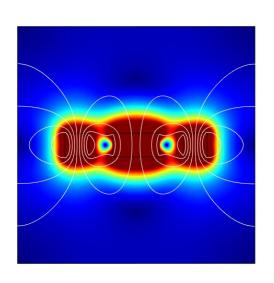


With magnet



A bright ring occurs when the magnet is inserted into the system







Confined electrons

Outline

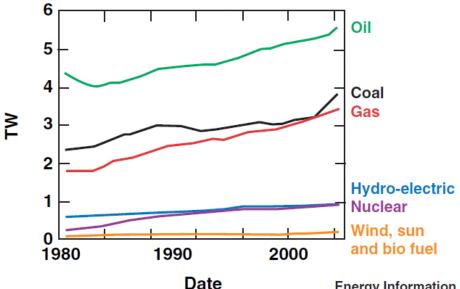


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World energy consumption is dominated by the use of dwindling fossil fuels



Fossil fuel	Estimated reserve	(2005 consumption rate) Years remaining
Oil	1,277,702 million barrels	32 years
Natural gas	~6,500,000 billion cubic ft	72 years
Coal	1,081,279 million tons	252 years



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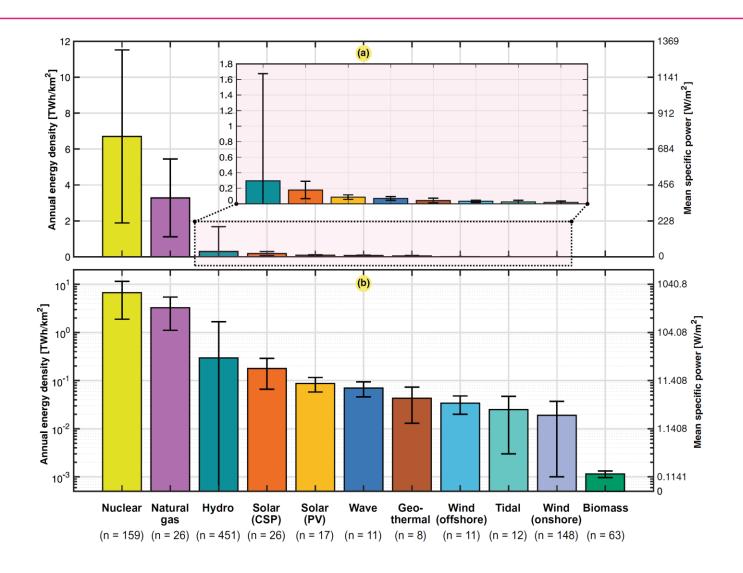
While predictions about the exact number of remaining years vary, fossil fuels will run out.

Energy Information Administration (EIA) 2006 Annual Report, U.S. Department of Energy, Washington, D.C.

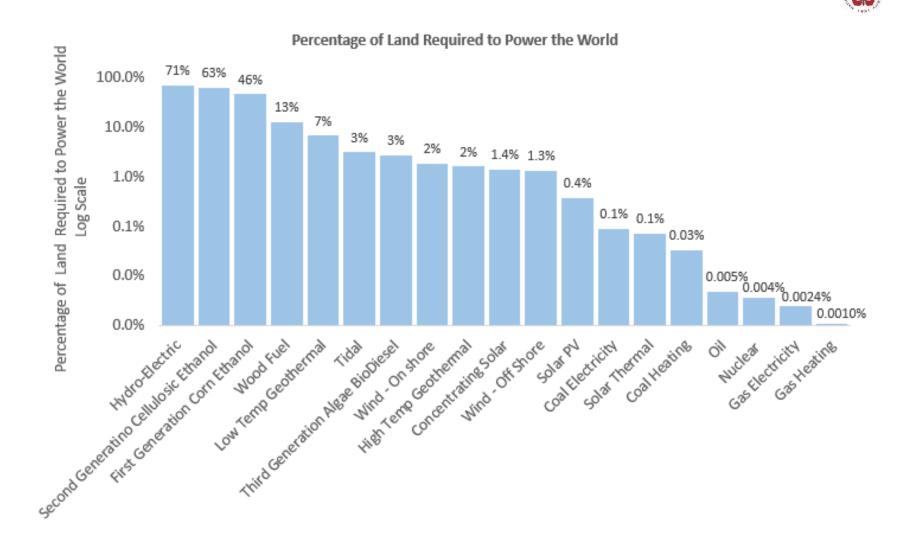
^{*}from Laboratory for Laser Energetics, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY

Nuclear energy has the highest energy density



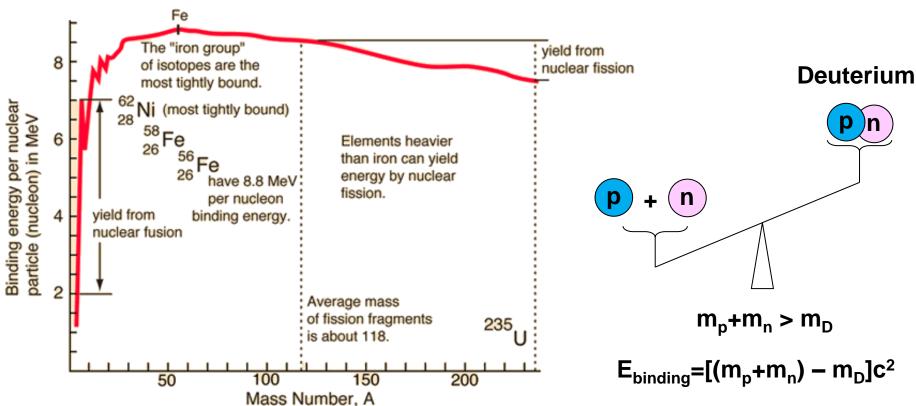


The energy density of an electricity generation needs to be high, or it takes a lot of land for generating electricity



The "iron group" of isotopes are the most tightly bound





$$Q = \left(\sum_{i} m_{i} - \sum_{f} m_{f}\right) c^{2}$$

$$\Delta m = z m_{\rm p} + (A - z) m_{\rm n} - m$$

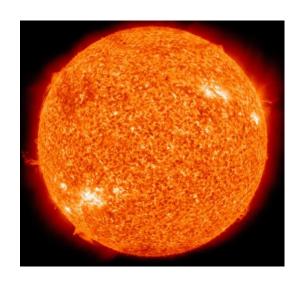
• Binding energy: $B = \Delta mc^2$

Output energy: $Q = \sum_{f} B_{f} - \sum_{i} B_{i}$

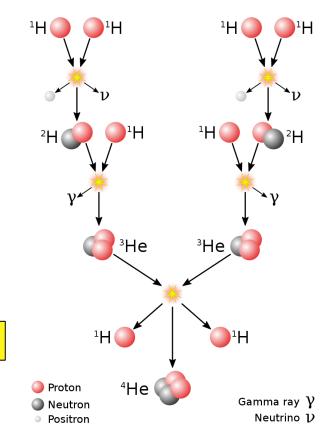
Fusion in the sun provides the energy



Proton-proton chain in sun or smaller

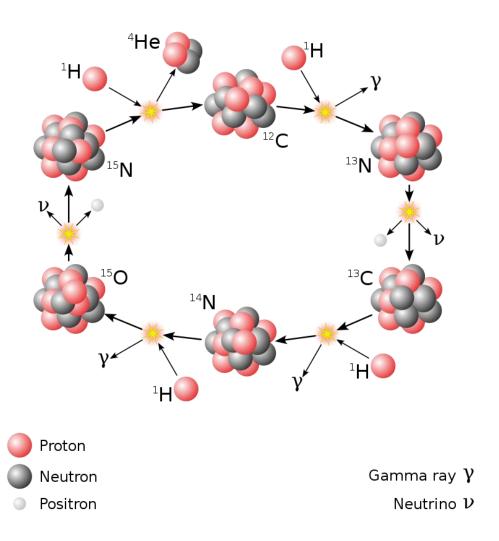


Particles are confined by the gravity.



In heavy sun, the fusion reaction is the CNO cycle





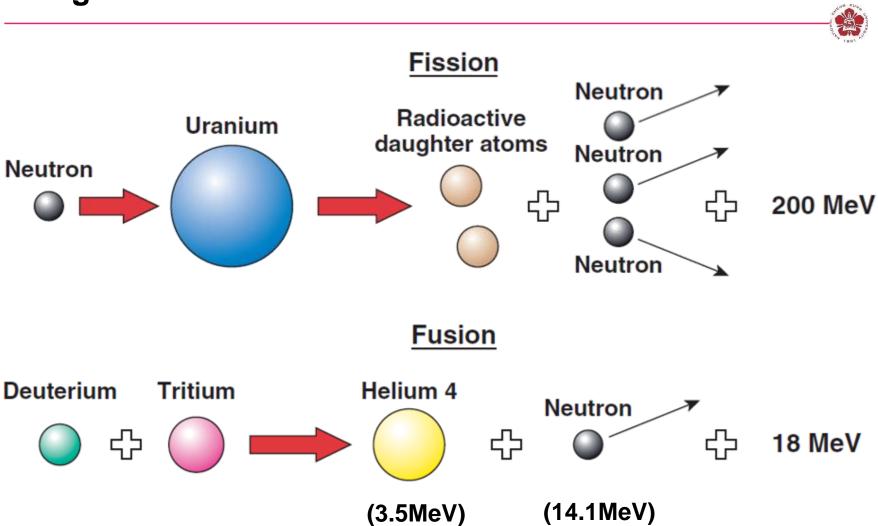
The cross section of proton-proton chain is much smaller than D T fusion



Reaction	σ _{10 keV} (barn)	σ _{100 keV} (barn)	σ _{max} (barn)	ε _{max} (keV)
D+T→α+n	2.72x10 ⁻²	3.43	5.0	64
D+D→T+p	2.81x10 ⁻⁴	3.3x10 ⁻²	0.06	1250
D+D→³He+n	2.78x10 ⁻⁴	3.7x10 ⁻²	0.11	1750
T+T→α+2n	7.90x10 ⁻⁴	3.4x10 ⁻²	0.16	1000
$D+^3He \rightarrow \alpha+p$	2.2x10 ⁻⁷	0.1	0.9	250
p+ ⁶ Li→α+ ³ He	6x10 ⁻¹⁰	7x10 ⁻³	0.22	1500
$p+^{11}B\rightarrow 3\alpha$	(4.6x10 ⁻¹⁷)	3x10 ⁻⁴	1.2	550
p+p→D+e++v	(3.6x10 ⁻²⁶)	(4.4x10 ⁻²⁵)		
$p+^{12}C\rightarrow^{13}N+\gamma$	(1.9x10 ⁻²⁶)	2.0x10 ⁻¹⁰	1.0x10.4	400
¹² C+ ¹² C (all branches)		(5.0x10 ⁻¹⁰³)		

- Barn = 10^{-28} m². It is the hard sphere cross section of a nucleus with R $\approx 5 \times 10^{-15}$ m.
- "()" are theoretical values while others are measured values.

Nuclear fusion and fission release energy through energetic neutrons



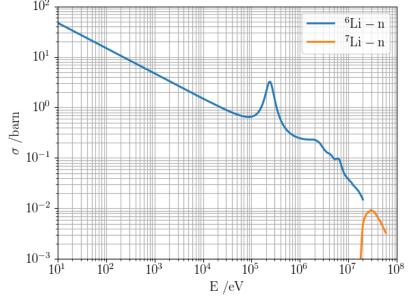
Nuclear fusion provides more energy per atomic mass unit (amu) than nuclear fission



• Fission of ²³⁵U:
$$\frac{Q}{A} = \frac{200 \text{ MeV}}{(235+1) \text{amu}} = 0.85 \text{ MeV/amu}$$

• Fusion of D+T:
$$\frac{Q}{A} = \frac{17.6 \text{ MeV}}{(2+3) \text{amu}} = 3.5 \text{ MeV/amu}$$

	Half-life (years)	
U235	7.04x10 ⁸	
U238	4.47x10 ⁹	
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Tritium	12.3	



Tritium breeding:

$$n$$
 + 6Li \rightarrow α + T + 4.86 MeV n + 7Li \rightarrow α + T + n – 2.87 MeV

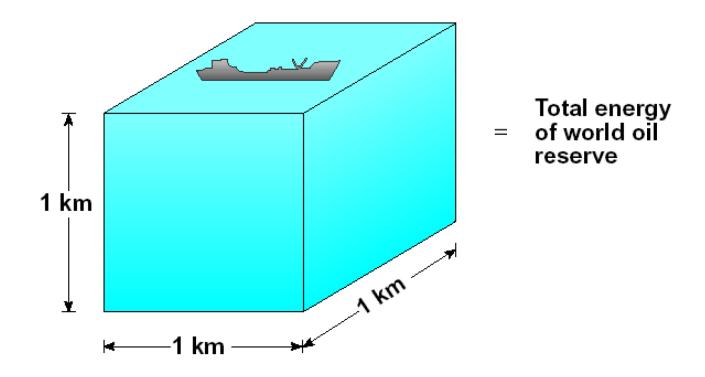
What could you do with 1 kg DT?



- 1 kg DT -> 340 Tera joules
 - You can drive your car for ~40,000 km (back and forth between Keelung and Kaoshiung for 50 times).
 - You can keep your furnace running for 8 years.
 - You can blow things up! 1 TJ = 250 tons of TNT.

Enormous fusion fuel can be produced from sea water





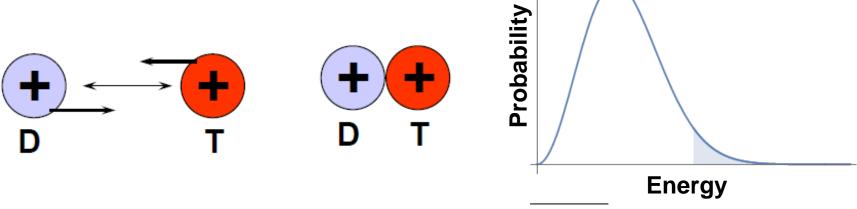
A "hot plasma" at 100M °C is needed



 Probability for fusion reactions to occur is low at low temperatures due to the coulomb repulsion force.



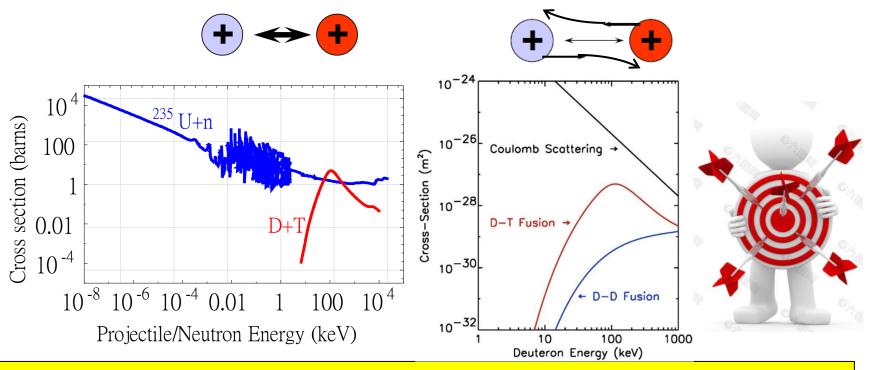
 If the ions are sufficiently hot, i.e., large random velocity, they can collide by overcoming coulomb repulsion



Fusion is much harder than fission



- Fission: $n + {}^{235}_{92}U \rightarrow {}^{236}_{92}U \rightarrow {}^{144}_{56}Ba + {}^{89}_{36}Kr + 3n + 177 \text{ MeV}$
- Fusion: $D + T \rightarrow {}_{2}^{4}He(3.5 \text{ MeV}) + n(14.1 \text{ MeV})$



 Beam particles lose their energy before making a fusion reaction, i.e., they only thermalize the fuel. Therefore, beam fusion does NOT work!

Fast neutrons are slowed down due to the collisions



$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Neutron} & \longrightarrow & \bigoplus & \text{Atom} \\ & m_{N} & & m_{M} \end{array}$$

- A moderator is used to slow down fast neutrons but not to absorb neutrons.
- For $m_M \sim m_N$, the energy decrement is higher. Therefore, H slows down neutron most efficiently.
- However, H + n → D, i.e., H absorbs neutrons.
- The best option is the D in the heavy water (D₂O).

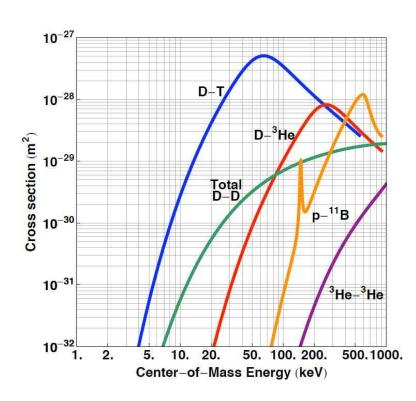
	Energy decrement		Neutron absorption cross section (σs) (Barns)
Н	1	49 (H ₂ O)	0.66 (H ₂ O)
D	0.7261	10.6 (D ₂ O)	0.0013 (D ₂ O)
С	0.1589	4.7 (Graphite)	0.0035 (Graphite)

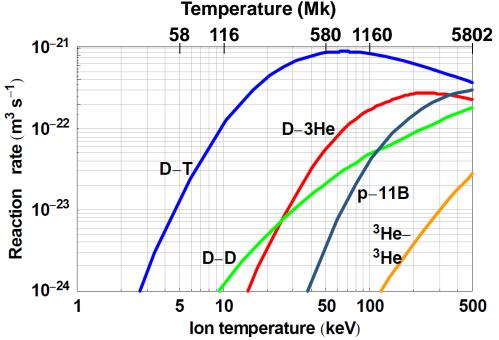
Fusion doesn't come easy

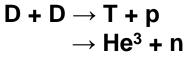


Probability

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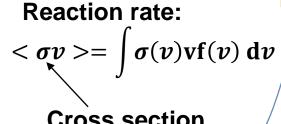




$$D + T \rightarrow He^4 + n$$

$$D + He^3 \rightarrow He^4 + p$$

$$p + B^{11} \rightarrow 3He^4$$



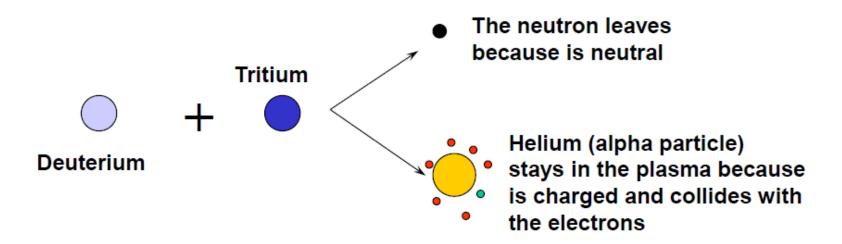
Cross section

https://i.stack.imgur.com/wXQD5.jpg Santarius, J. F., "Fusion Space Propulsion - A Shorter Time Frame Than You Think", JANNAF, Monterey, 5-8 December 2005.

It takes a lot of energy or power to keep the plasma at 100M °C



Let the plasma do it itself!



The α-particles heat the plasma.

Under what conditions the plasma keeps itself hot?



Steady state 0-D power balance:

$$S_{\alpha}+S_{h}=S_{B}+S_{k}$$

 S_{α} : α particle heating

S_h: external heating

S_B: Bremsstrahlung radiation

S_k: heat conduction lost

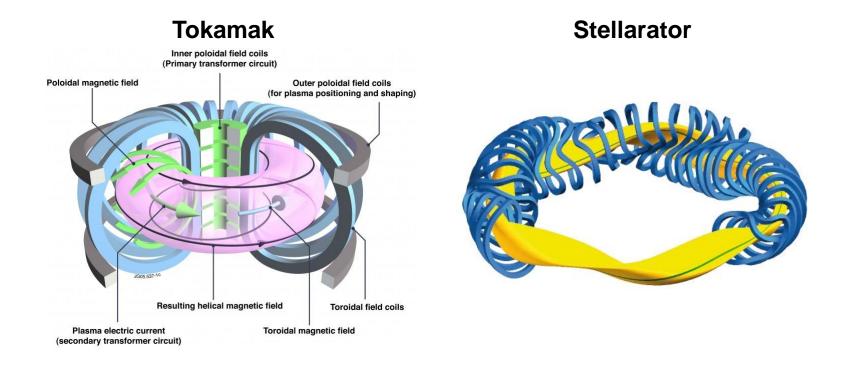
Ignition condition: Pτ > 10 atm-s = 10 Gbar - ns

- P: pressure, or called energy density
- т is confinement time

The plasma is too hot to be contained



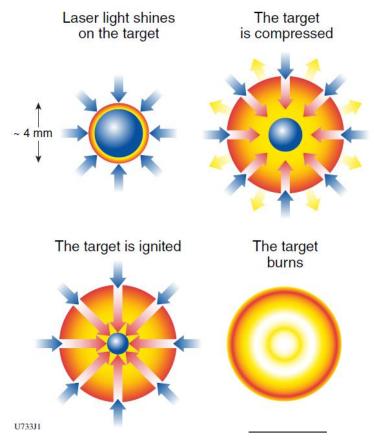
 Solution 1: Magnetic confinement fusion (MCF), use a magnetic field to contain it. P~atm, τ~sec, T~10 keV (10⁸ °C)



Don't confine it!



 Solution 2: Inertial confinement fusion (ICF). Or you can say it is confined by its own inertia: P~Gigabar, τ~nsec, T~10 keV (10⁸ °C)

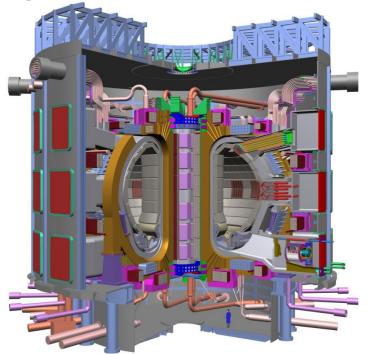


Inertial confinement fusion: an introduction, Laboratory for Laser Energetics, University of Rochester

To control? Or not to control?

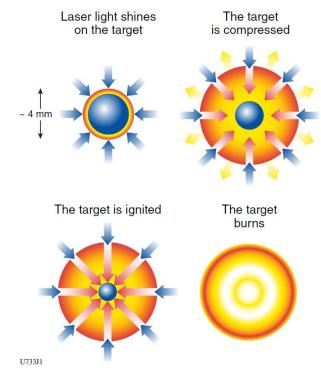


Magnetic confinement fusion (MCF)



Plasma is confined by toroidal magnetic field.

Inertial confinement fusion (ICF)



A DT ice capsule filled with DT gas is imploded by laser.

Laboratory for Laser Energetics, University of Rochester is a pioneer in laser fusion

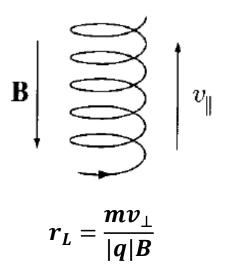
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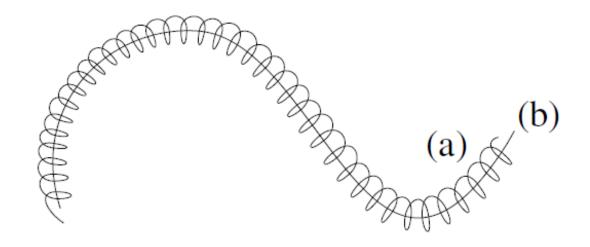


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Charged particles gyro around the magnetic fields



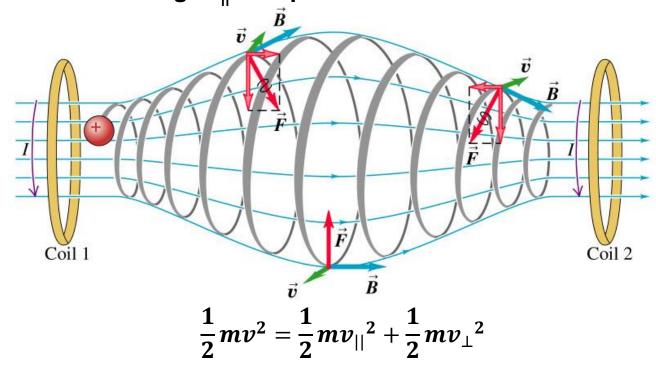




Charged particles can be partially confined by a magnetic mirror machine



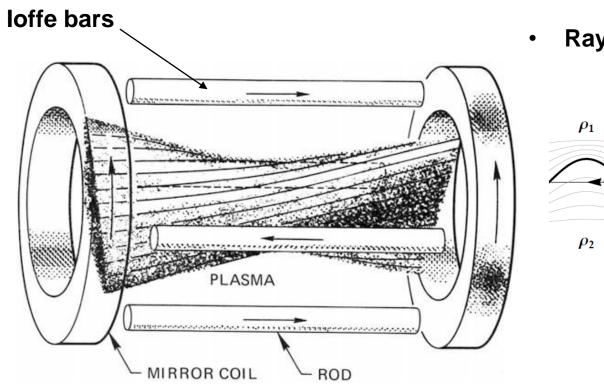
• Charged particles with small $v_{||}$ eventually stop and are reflected while those with large $v_{||}$ escape.



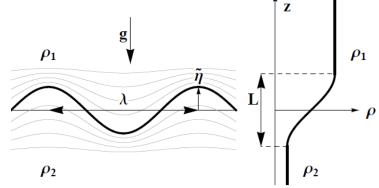
- Large v_{||} may occur from collisions between particles.
- Those confined charged particle are eventually lost due to collisions.

"loffe bars" are added to stabilize the Rayleigh-Taylor instabilities at the center of the mirror machine





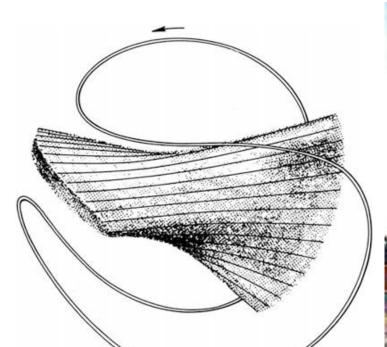
Rayleigh-Taylor instability



A "baseball coil" is obtained if one links the coils and the bars into a single conductor



Baseball coil

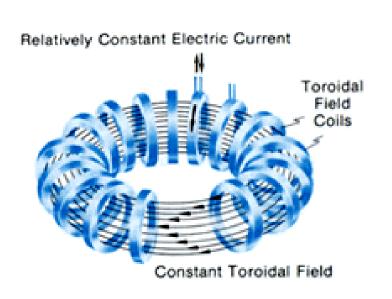


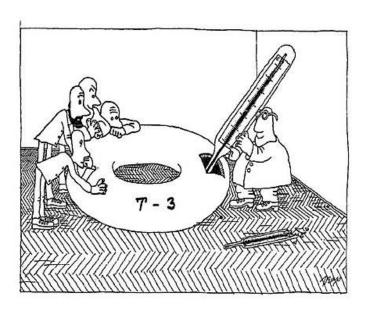
MFTF-B mirror machine



Plasma can be confined in a doughnut-shaped chamber with toroidal magnetic field

• Tokamak - "toroidal chamber with magnetic coils" (тороидальная камера с магнитными катушками)

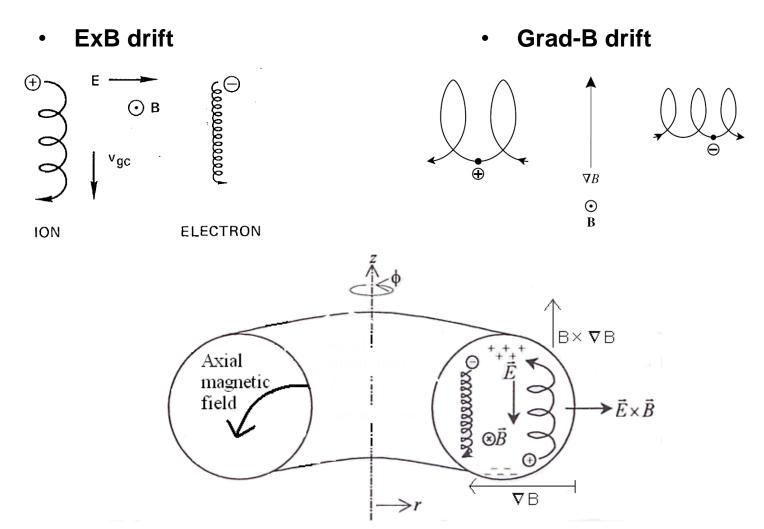




https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tokamak#cite_ref-4

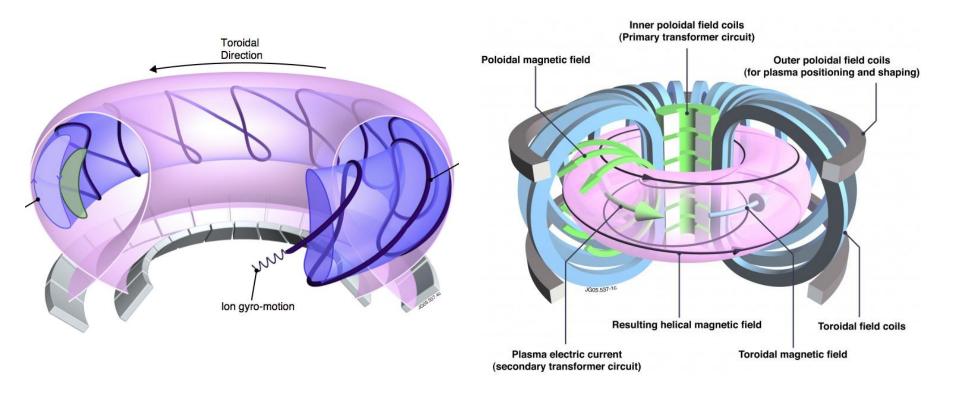
Charged particles drift across field lines





A poloidal magnetic field is required to reduce the drift across field lines



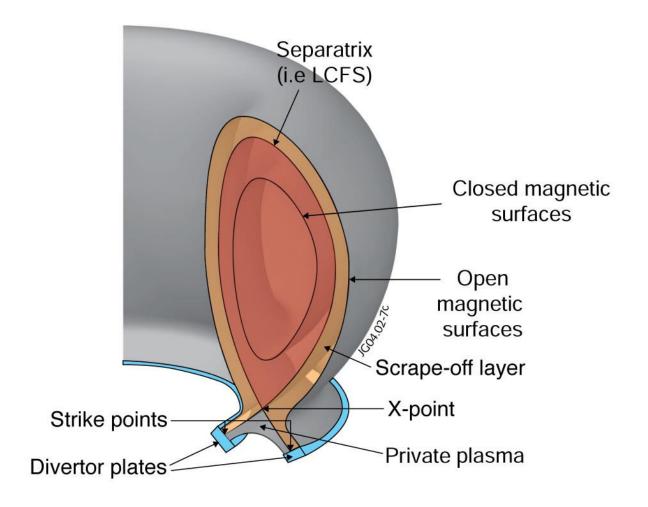


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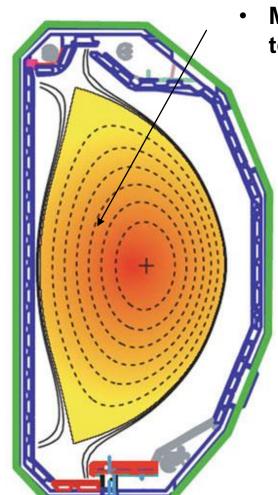
A divertor is needed to remove impurities and the power that escapes from the plasma





D-shaped tokamak with diverter is more preferred nowadays

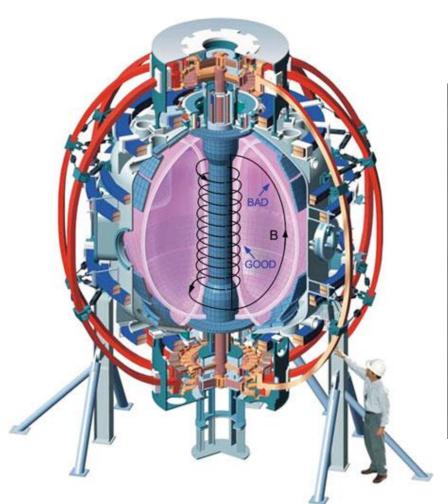




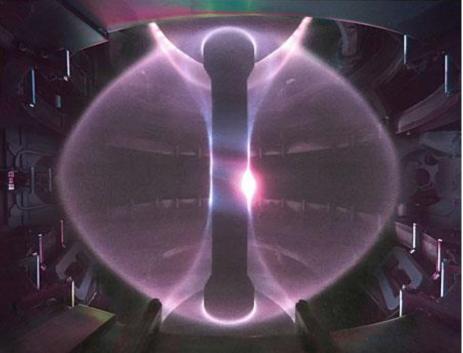
Make the plasma closer to the major axis

Spherical tokamak is formed when the aspect ratio of a tokamak is reduced to the order of unity

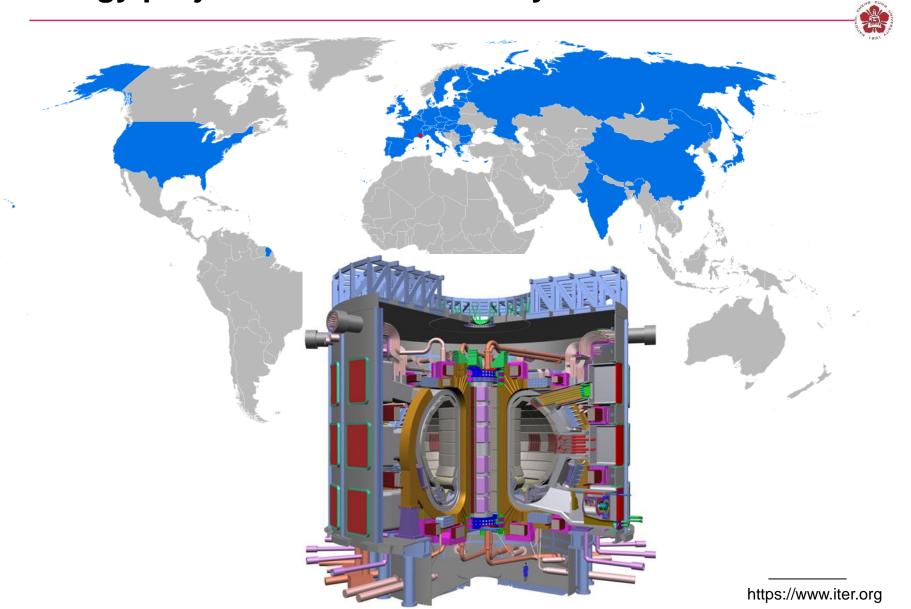
NSTX @ Princeton



MegaAmpere Spherical Tokamak (MAST) @ Culham center for fusion energy, UK

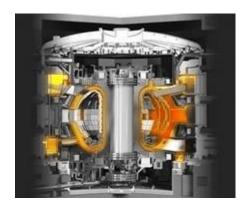


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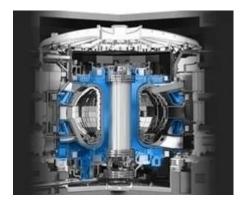


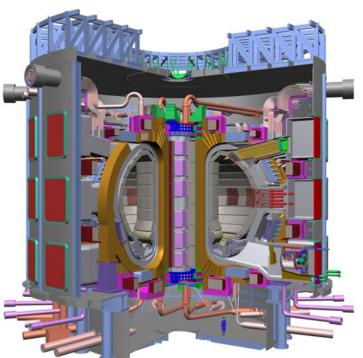
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Vacuum vessel

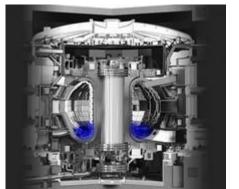


Magnets

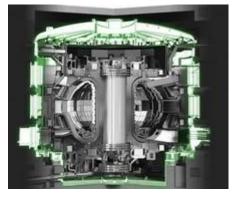




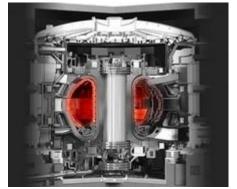
Divertor



Cryostat



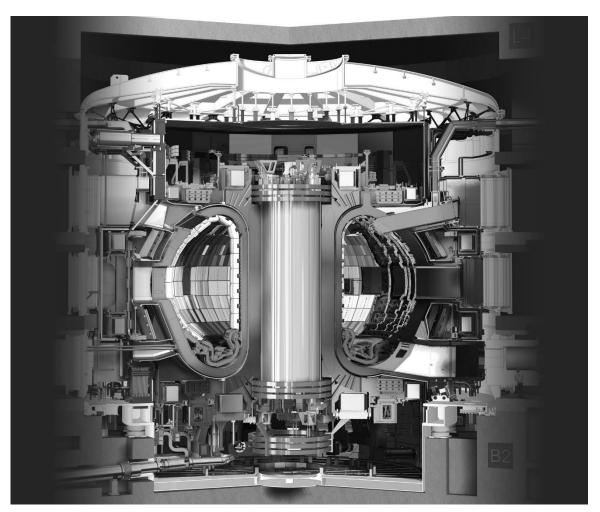
Blanket



ITER



- T=150M °C
- P=500 MW



ITER – Magnets



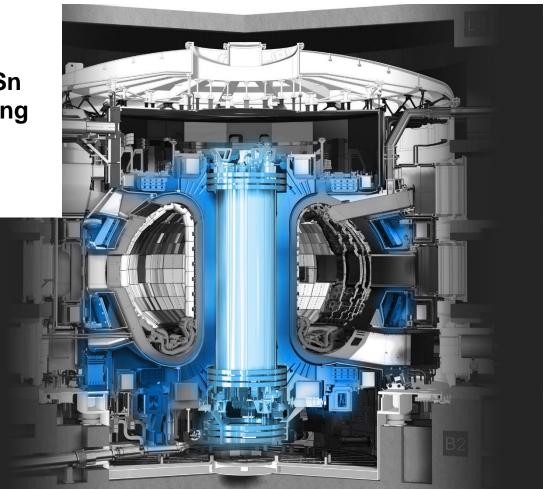
• E_B=51 GJ

• T_B=4 K

 Length of Nb₃Sn superconducting strand: 10⁵ km

• B_{T,max}=11.8 T

• B_{P,max}=6 T



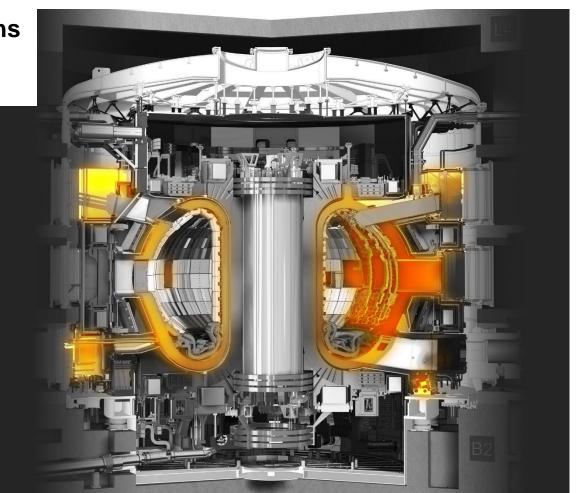
ITER - Vacuum vessel



W = 8000 tons

• $V = 840 \text{ m}^3$

• R = 6 m

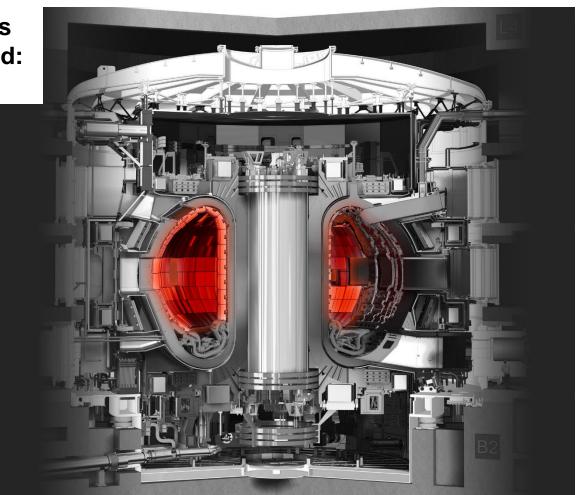


ITER - Blanket



440 modules

Thermal load:736 MW



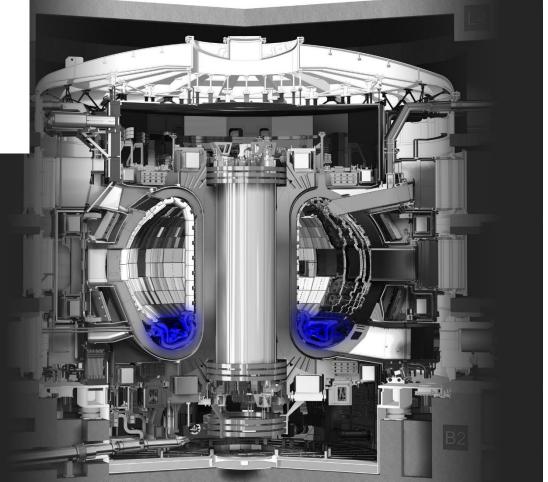
ITER - Divertor



54 cassettes

Thermal load:
 20 MW/m²

Each cassette:10 tons



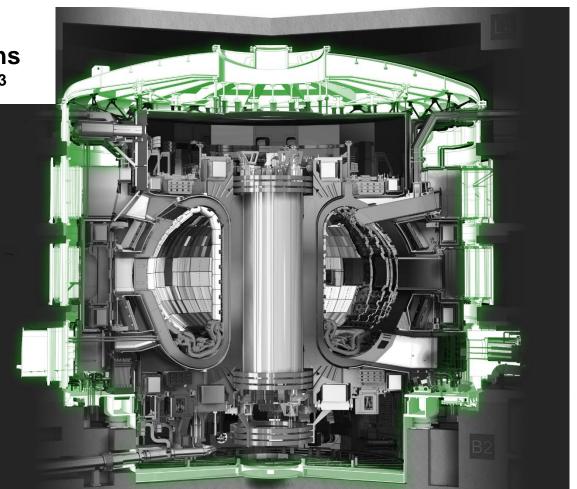
ITER – Crystat



 $P = 10^{-6}$ atm

• W = 3800 tons

• $V = 16000 \text{ m}^3$



Supporting systems



- Tritium breeding
- Control, Data access and Communication (CODAC)
- Cooling water
- Cryogenics
- Diagnostics
- Fuel cycle
- Hot cell a secure environment for processing, repair or testing, etc., of components that have become activated by neutrons.
- Power supply
- Remote handling
- Heating and current drive
- Vacuum system

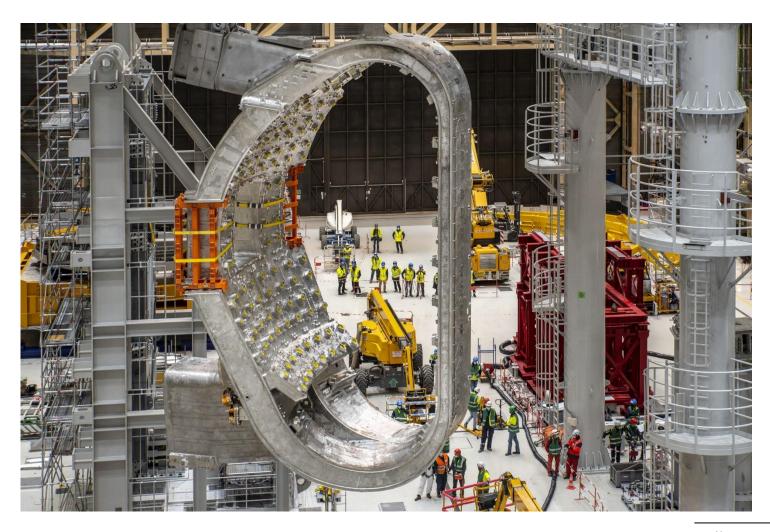
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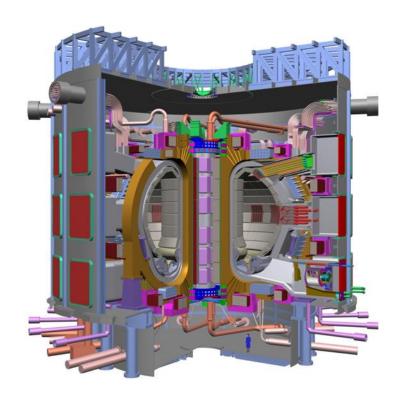
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There is a long way to go, but we are on the right path...





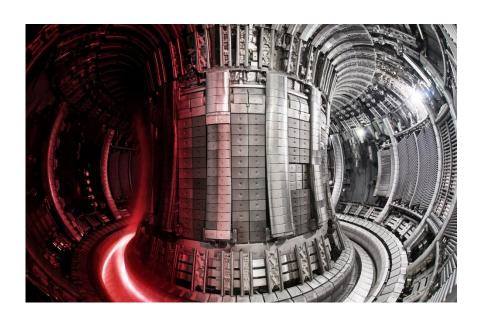
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Deuterium-Tritium Operation begins

Joint European Torus (JET) facility has a recordbreaking 59 megajoules of sustained fusion energy

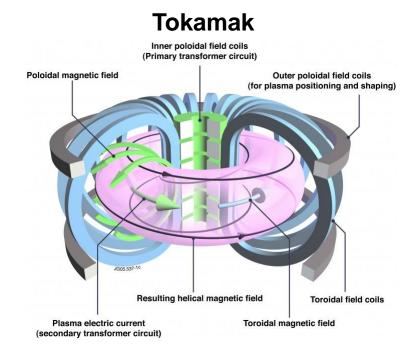




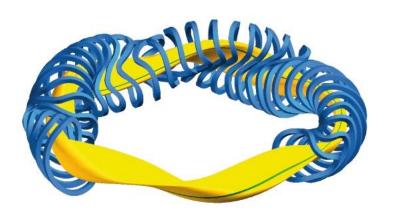
 Record-breaking 59 megajoules of sustained fusion energy in Joint European Torus (JET) facility in Oxford demonstrates powerplant potential and strengthens case for ITER.

Stellarator uses twisted coil to generate poloidal magnetic field



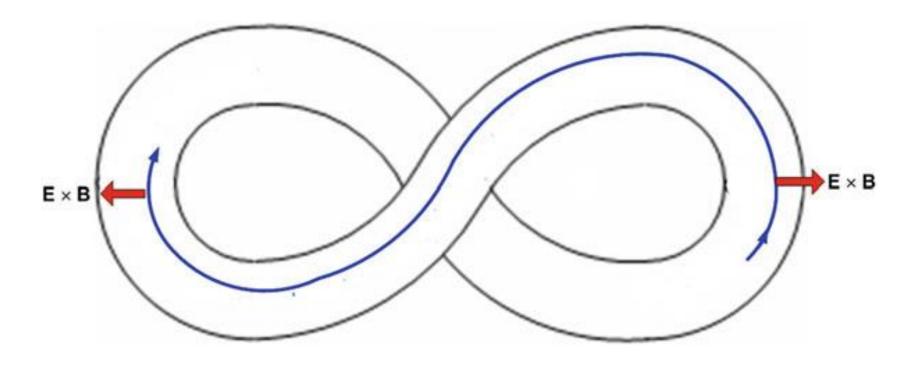


Stellarator



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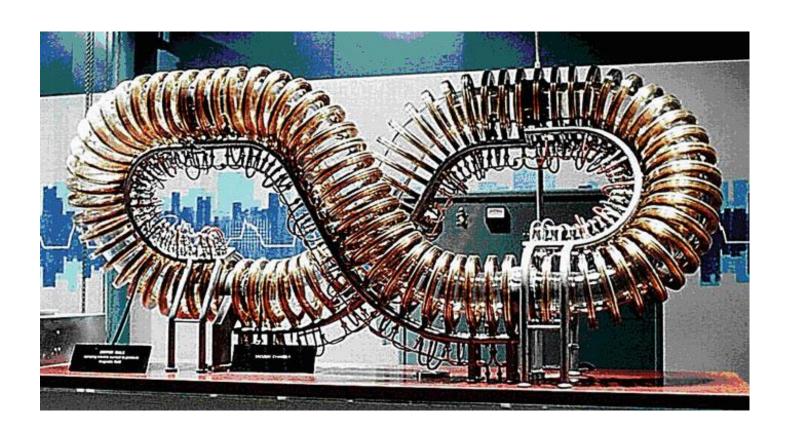
Lyman Spitzer, Jr. came out the idea during a long ride on a ski lift at Garmisch-Partenkirchen





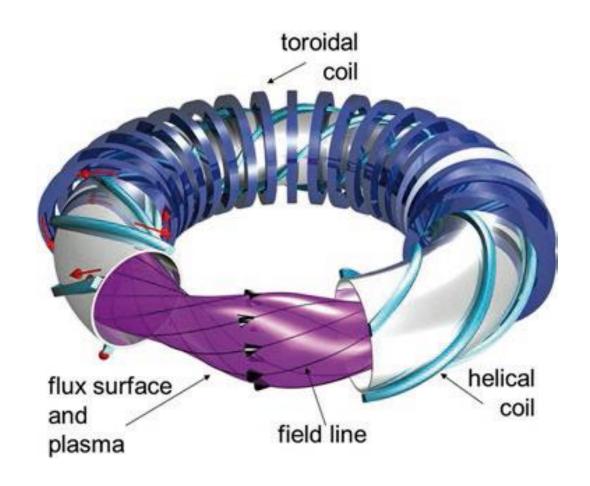
Exhibit model of a figure-8 stellarator for the Atoms for Peace conference in Geneva in 1958





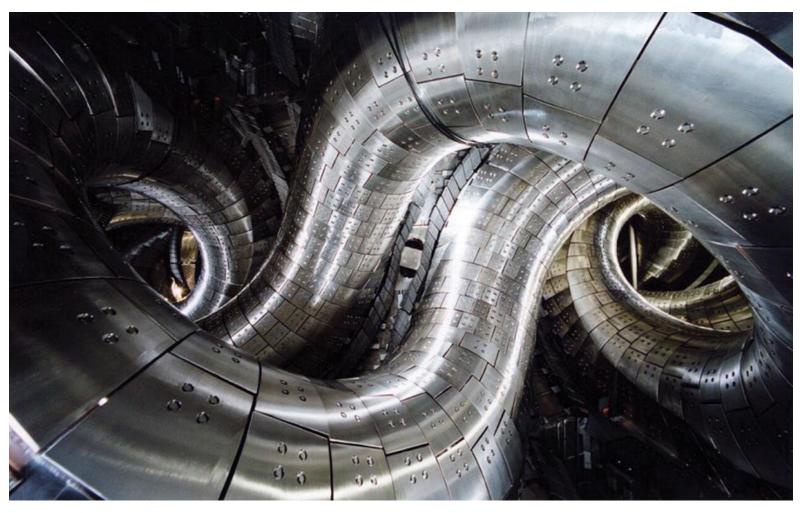
Twisted magnetic field lines can be provided by toroidal coils with helical coils



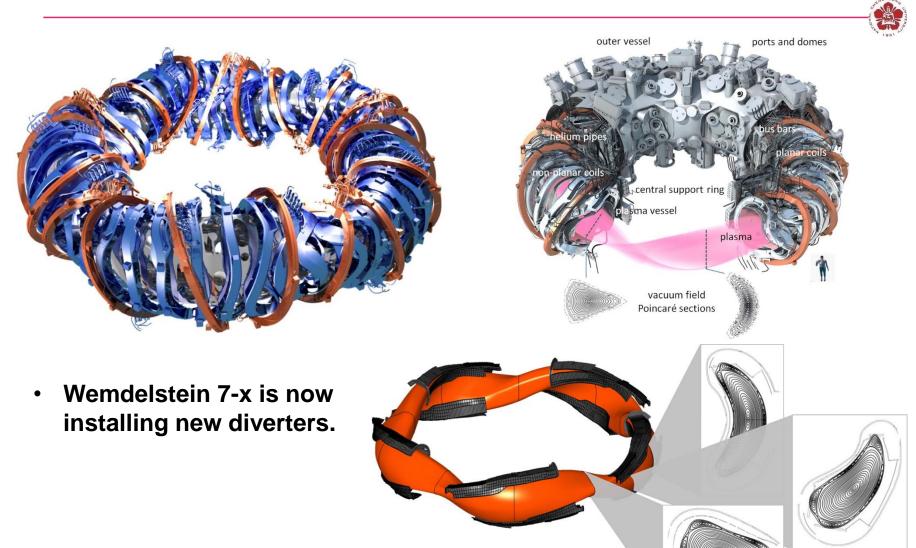


LHD stellarator in Japan



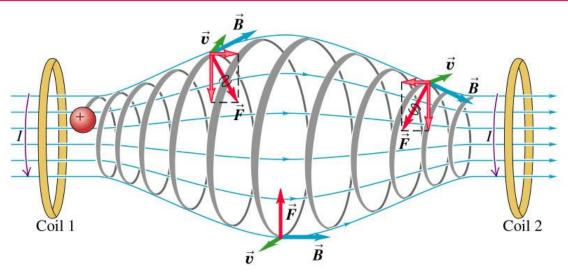


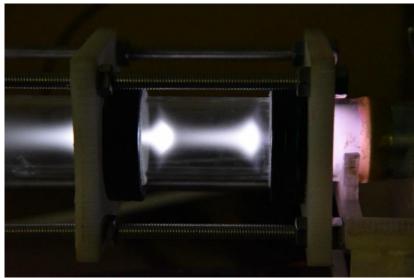
Wendelstein 7-X is a stellarator built by Max Planck Institute for Plasma Physics (IPP)



Demonstration of a magnetic mirror machine



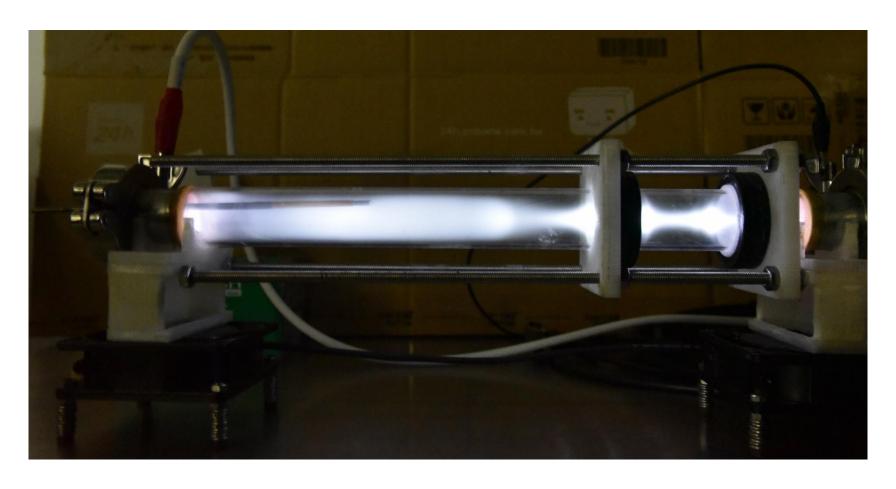




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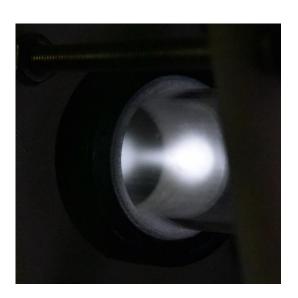
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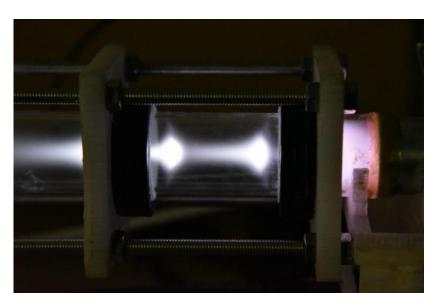


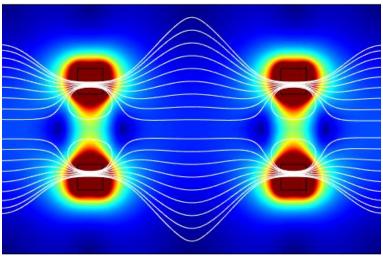


Many mirror points are provided by a pair of ring-type magnets







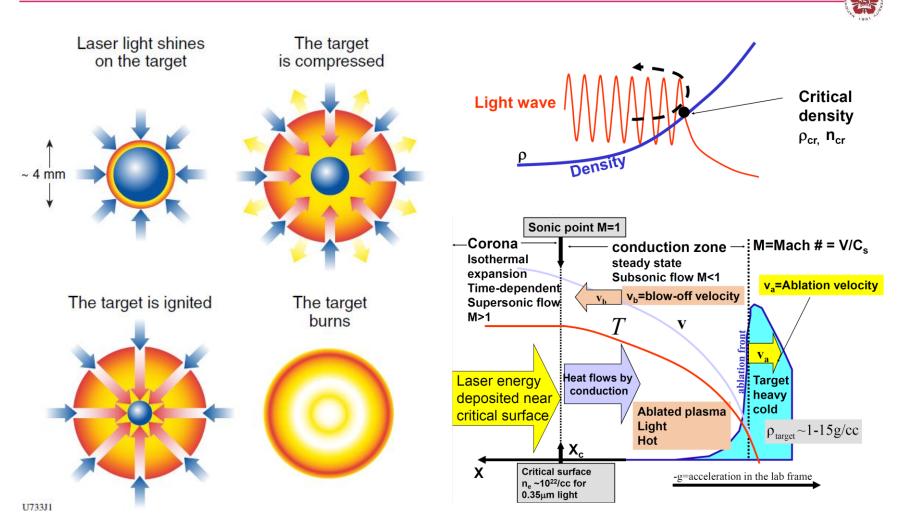


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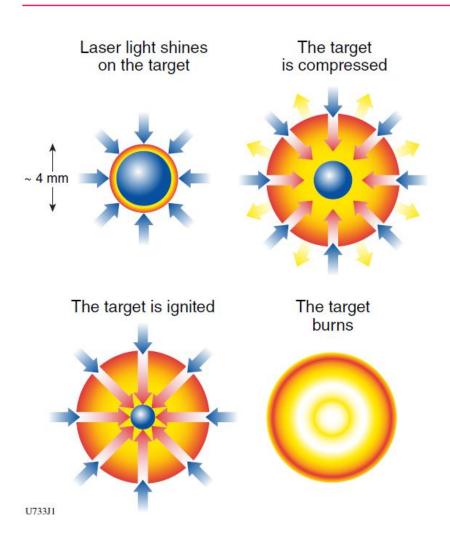
Compression happens when outer layer of the target is heated by laser and ablated outward



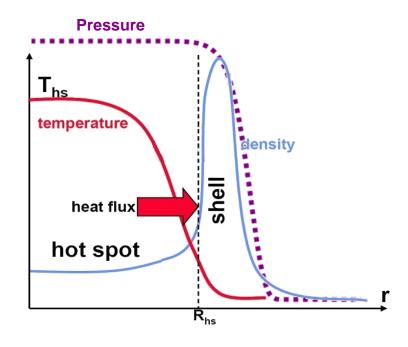
Inertial confinement fusion: an introduction, Laboratory for Laser Energetics, University of Rochester R. Betti, HEDSA HEDP Summer School, 2015

Plasma is confined by its own inertia in inertial confinement fusion (ICF)





Spatial profile at stagnation

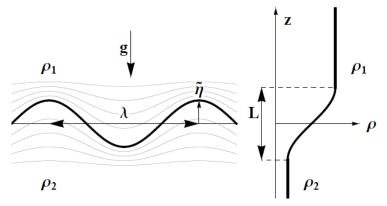


A ball can not be compressed uniformly by being squeezed between several fingers

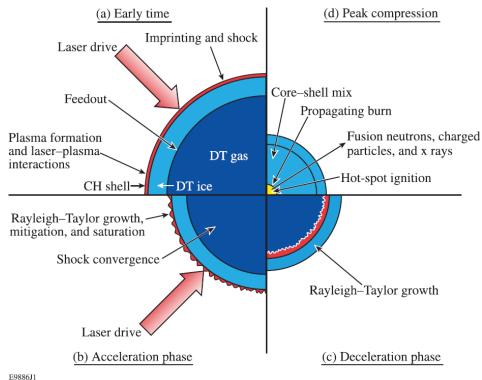




Rayleigh-Taylor instability



Stages of a target implosion

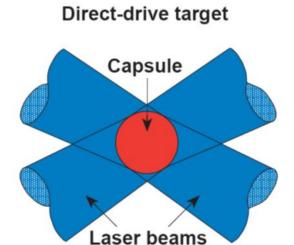


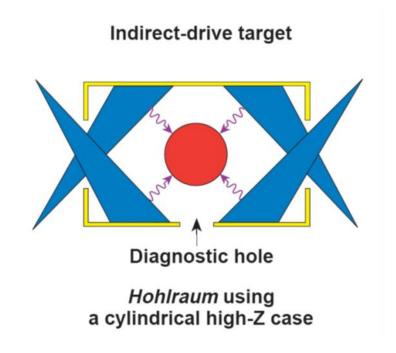
P.-Y. Chang, PhD Thesis, U of Rochester (2013)

R. S. Craxton, etc., Phys. Plasmas 22, 110501 (2015)

A spherical capsule can be imploded through directly or indirectly laser illumination

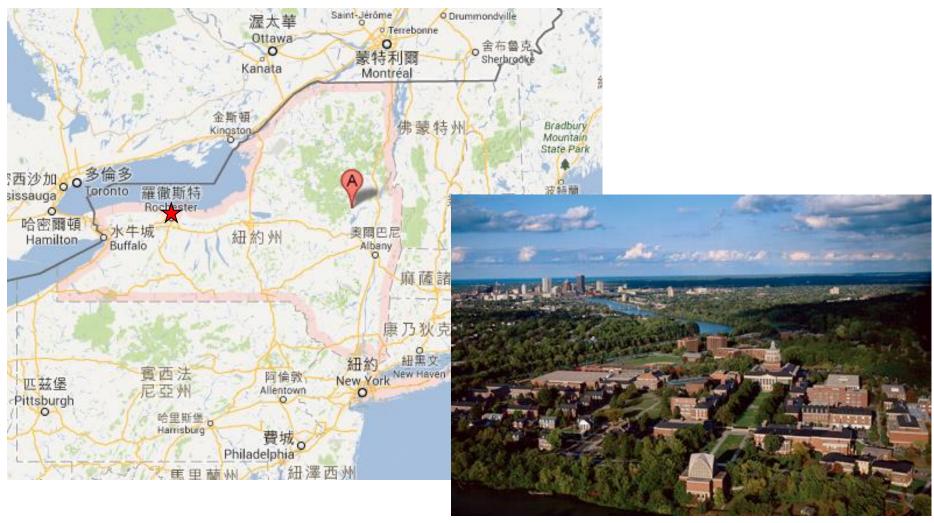






Rochester is known as "The World's Image Center"





There are many famous optical companies at Rochester



Kodak





Eastman school of music

BAUSCH+LOMB



Laboratory for Laser Energetics, University of Rochester is a pioneer in laser fusion

- OMEGA Laser System
 - 60 beams
 - >30 kJ UV on target
 - 1%~2% irradiation nonuniformity
 - Flexible pulse shaping

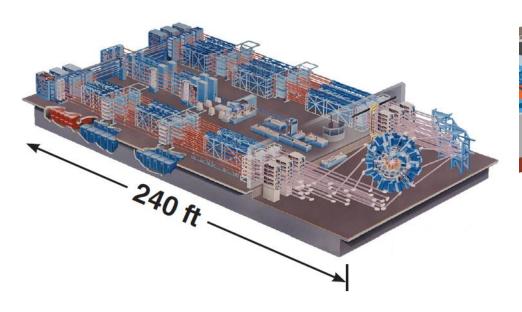


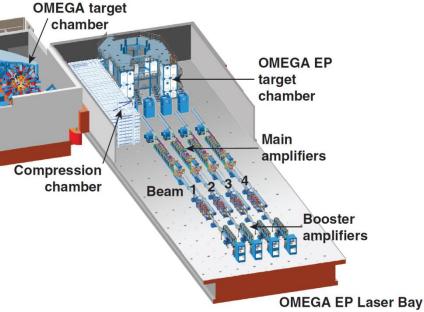






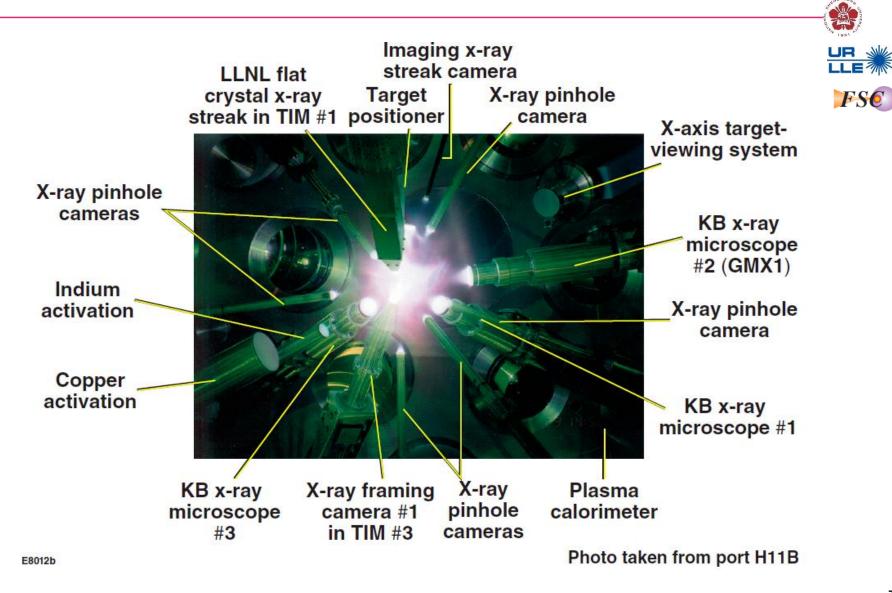
 Can propagate to the OMEGA or OMEGA EP target chamber





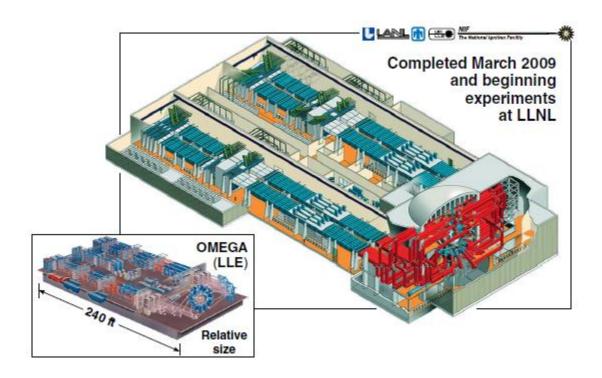
FSC

The OMEGA Facility is carrying out ICF experiments using a full suite of target diagnostics



The 1.8-MJ National Ignition Facility (NIF) will demonstrate ICF ignition and modest energy gain





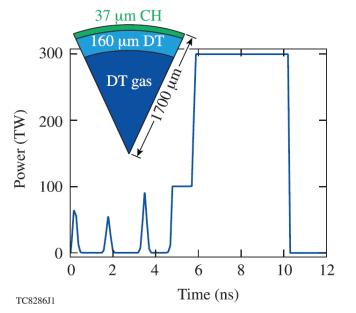
OMEGA experiments are integral to an ignition demonstration on the NIF.

Targets used in ICF





Triple-point temperature : 19.79 K





http://www.lle.rochester.ed https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Inertial_confinement_fusion R. S. Craxton, etc., *Phys. Plasmas* **22**, 110501 (2015)

Softer material can be compressed to higher density

Compression of a baseball



Compression of a tennis ball



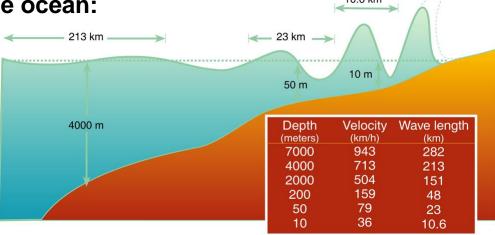




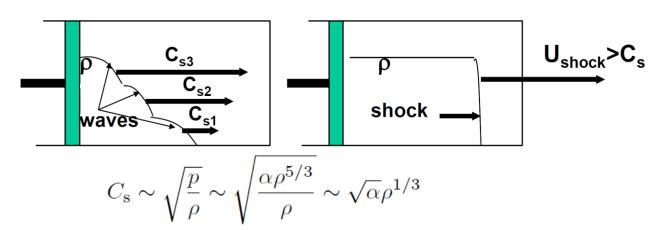
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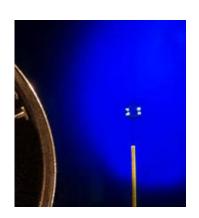


Acoustic/compression wave driven by a piston:



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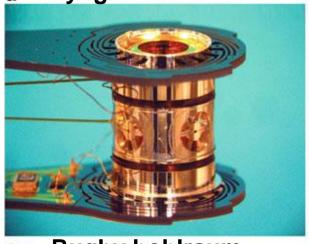




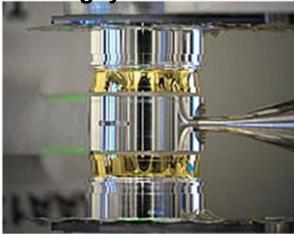
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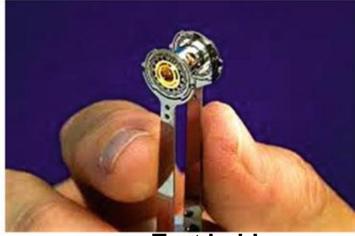
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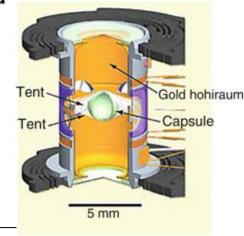
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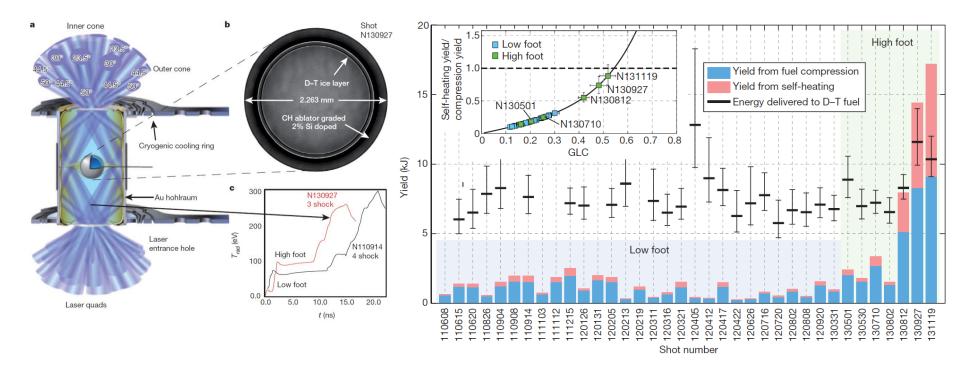
d Tent holder



https://www.lle.rochester.edu/index.php/2014/11/10/next-generation-cryo-target/ Introduction to Plasma Physics and Controlled Fusion 3rd Edition, by Francis F. Chen https://www.llnl.gov/news/nif-shot-lights-way-new-fusion-ignition-phase

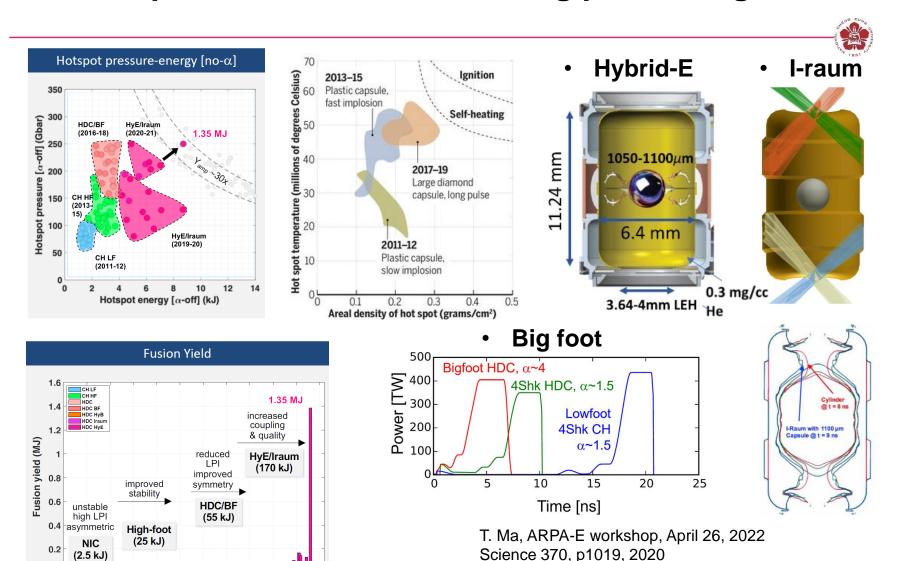
Nature letter "Fuel gain exceeding unity in an inertially confined fusion implosion"





Fuel gain exceeding unity was demonstrated for the first time.

The hot spot has entered the burning plasma regime



2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021

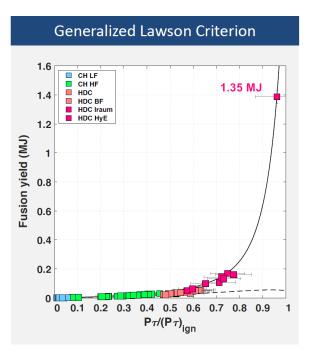
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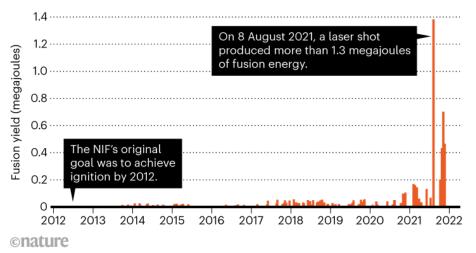
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THE ROAD TO IGNITION

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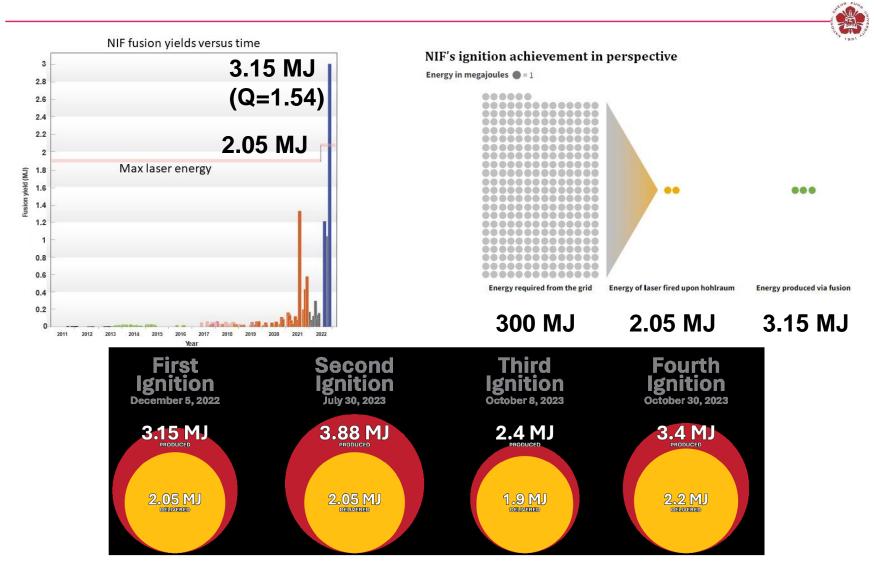


 Laser-fusion facility heads back to the drawing board.

T. Ma, ARPA-E workshop, April 26, 2022

J. Tollefson, Nature (News) 608, 20 (2022)

"Ignition" (target yield larger than one) was achieved in NIF on 2022/12/5

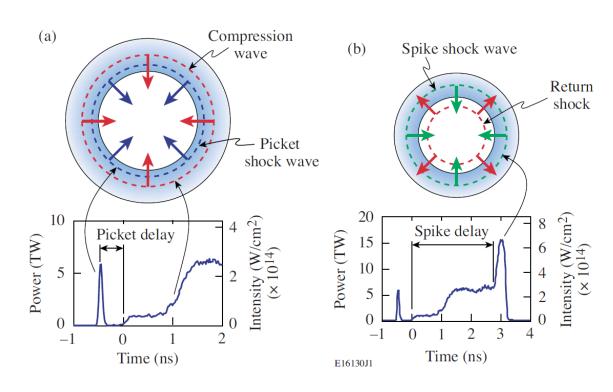


https://physicstoday.scitation.org/do/10.1063/PT.6.2.20221213a/full/ The age of ignition: anniversary edition, LLNL-BR-857901

External "spark" can be used for ignition

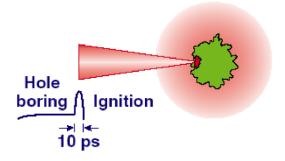


Shock ignition

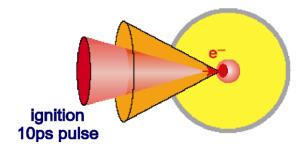


Fast ignition

a) channeling FI concept



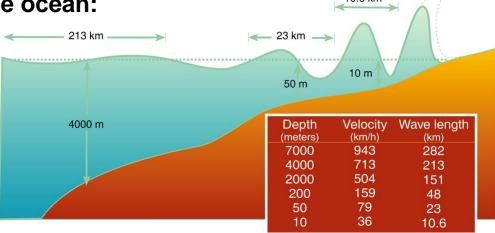
b) cone-in-shell FI concept



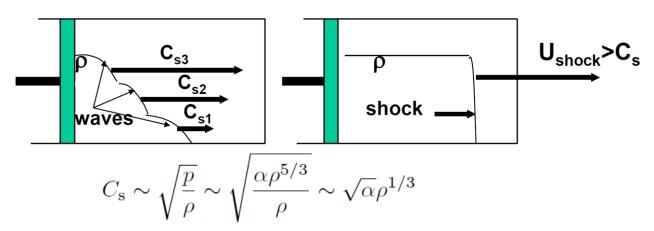
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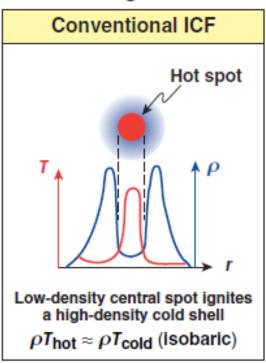
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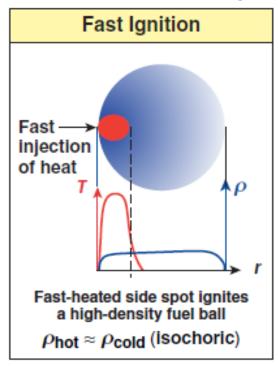
Ignition can happen by itself or being triggered externally

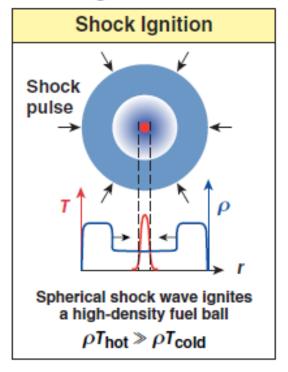


Self-ignition



External "spark" for fast ignition





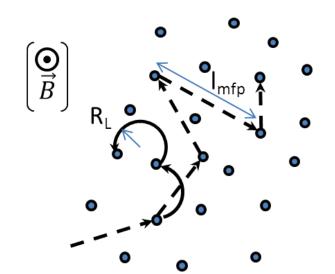
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A strong magnetic field reduces the heat flux





$$oldsymbol{q}_{T} = -\kappa_{||}
abla_{||} oldsymbol{T} - \kappa_{\perp}
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$$\kappa_{||} = \kappa_0 T^{5/2}$$

$$\kappa_{\perp} = \frac{\kappa_{||}}{\chi^2}$$
 for large Hall parameter $\chi \propto \frac{I_{\text{mfp}}}{R_{\perp}} >> 1$

Typical hot spot conditions:

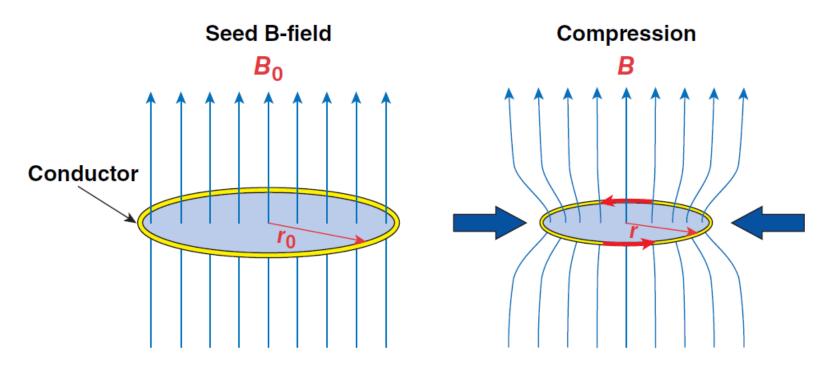
 $R_{hs} \sim 40 \ \mu m, \ \rho \sim 20 \ g/cm^3, \ T \sim 5 \ keV$:

 $B > 10 \, \text{MG}$ is needed for $\chi > 1$

Magnetic-flux compression can be used to provide the needed magnetic field.

Principle of frozen magnetic flux in a good conductor is used to compress fields

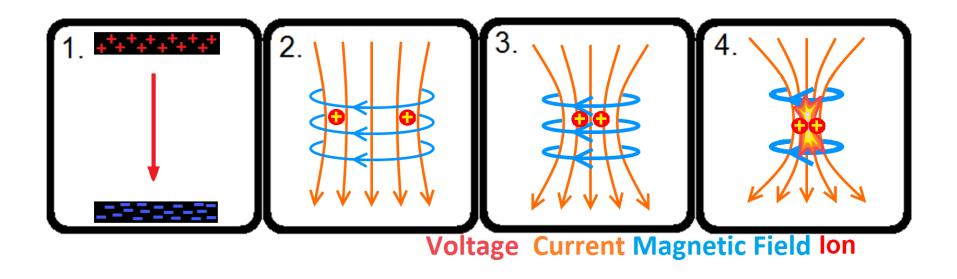




$$\Phi = \pi r_0^2 B_0 = \pi r^2 B$$

Plasma can be pinched by parallel propagating plasmas

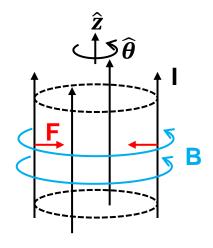




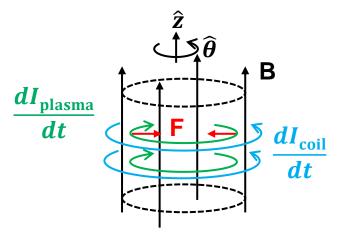
Plasma can be heated via pinches



Z pinch

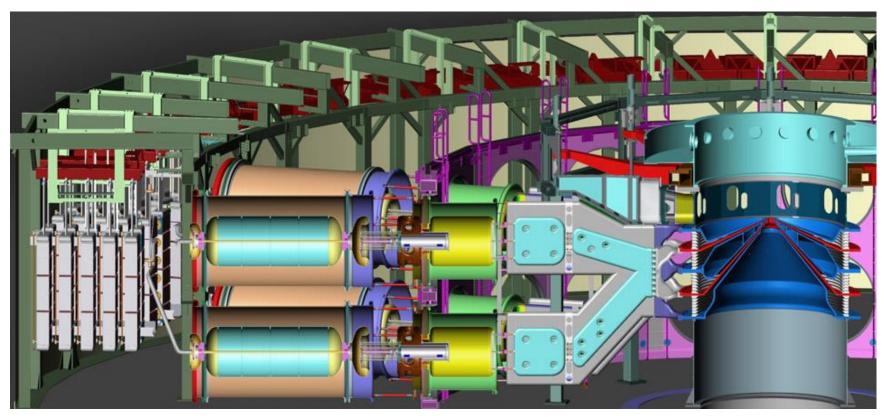


Theta pinch



Sandia's Z machine is the world's most powerful and efficient laboratory radiation source





Stored energy: 20 MJ

Marx charge voltage: 85 kV

Peak electrical power: 85 TW

Peak current: 26 MA

Rise time: 100 ns

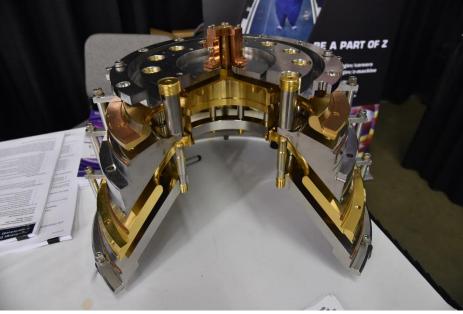
Peak X-ray emissions: 350 TW

Peak X-ray output: 2.7 MJ

Z machine



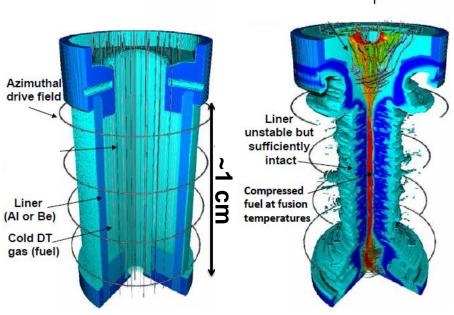




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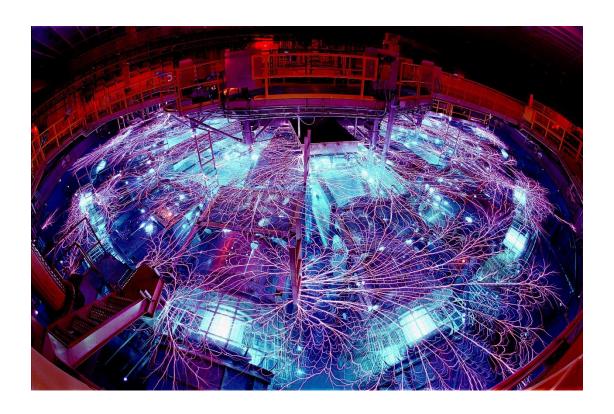
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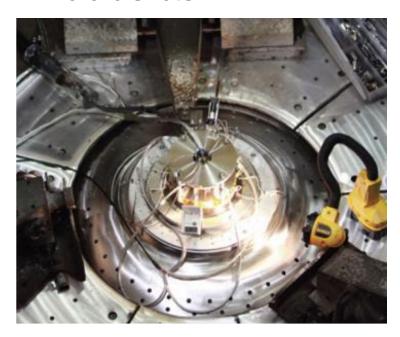
Z machine discharge



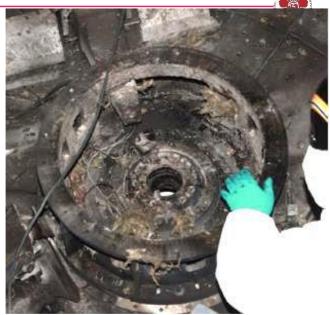


Before and after shots

Before shots



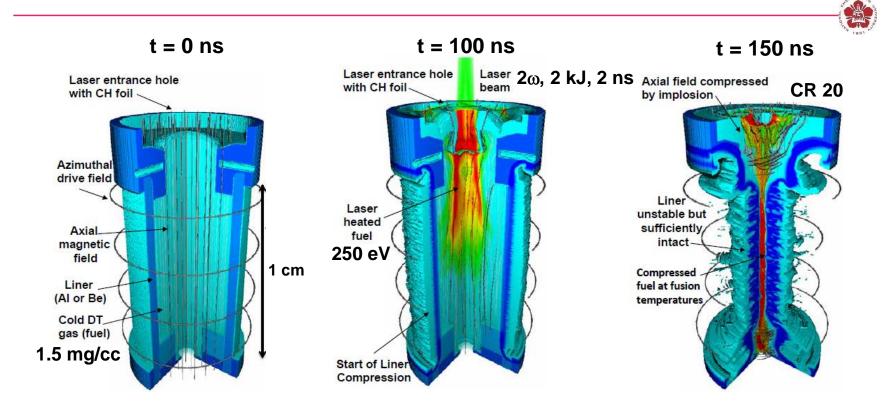
After shots





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Promising results were shown in MagLIF concept conducted at the Sandia National Laboratories

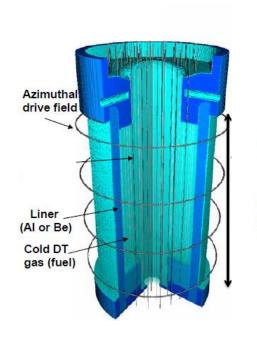


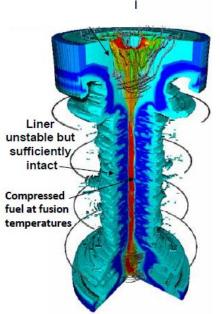
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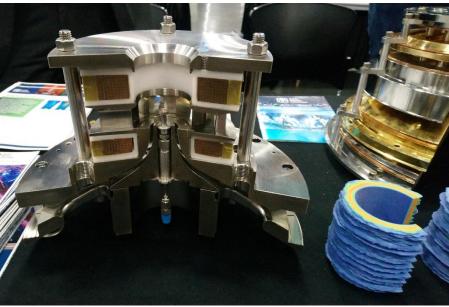
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MagLIF target



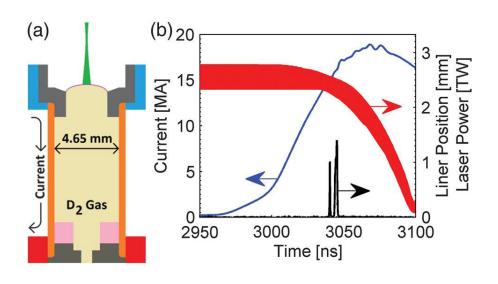


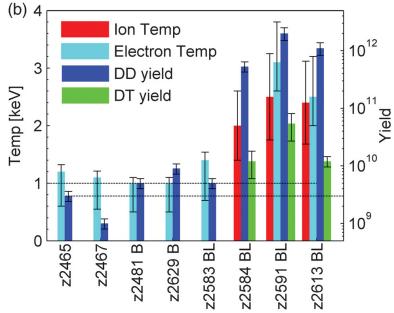




Neutron yield increased by 100x with preheat and external magnetic field.

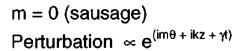


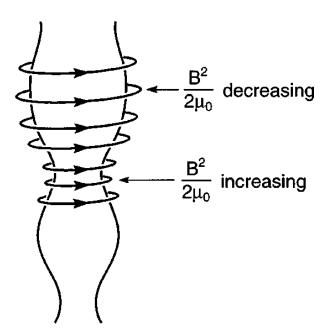




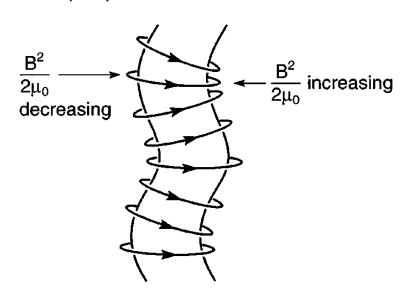
Sheared flow stabilizes MHD instabilities

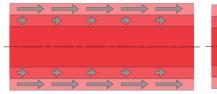


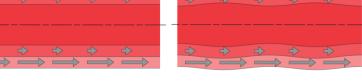


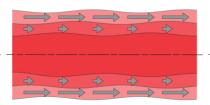


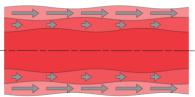
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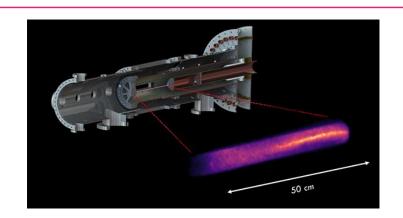


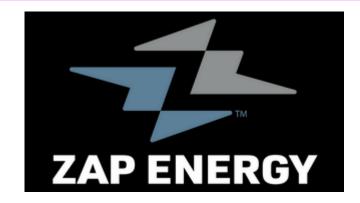
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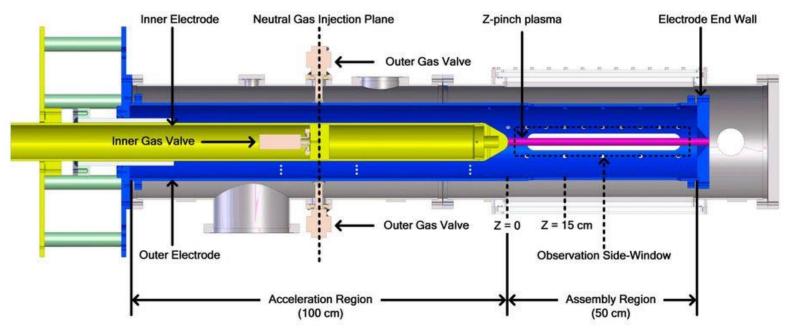
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A z-pinch plasma can be stabilized by sheared flows





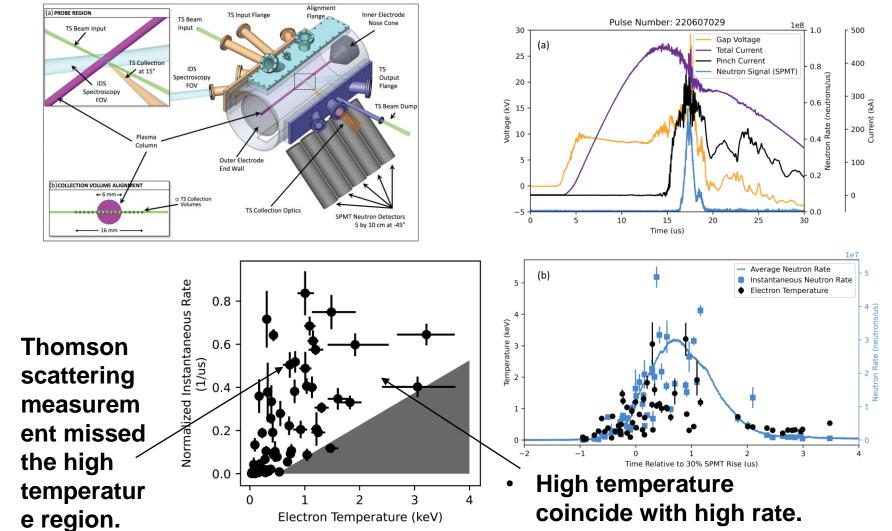




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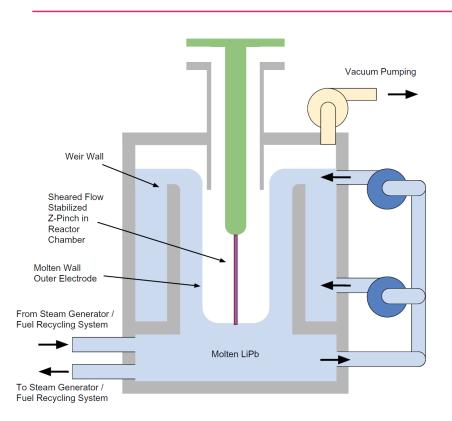
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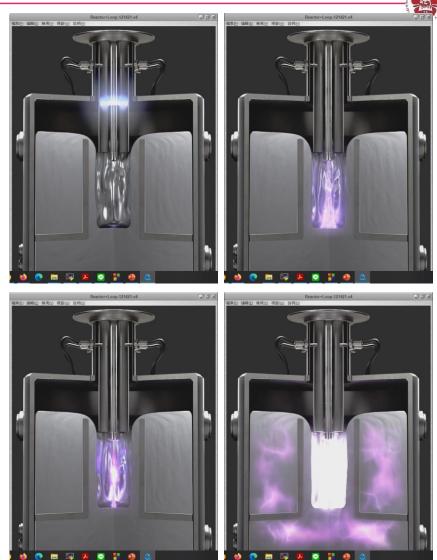
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Fusion reactor concept by ZAP energy

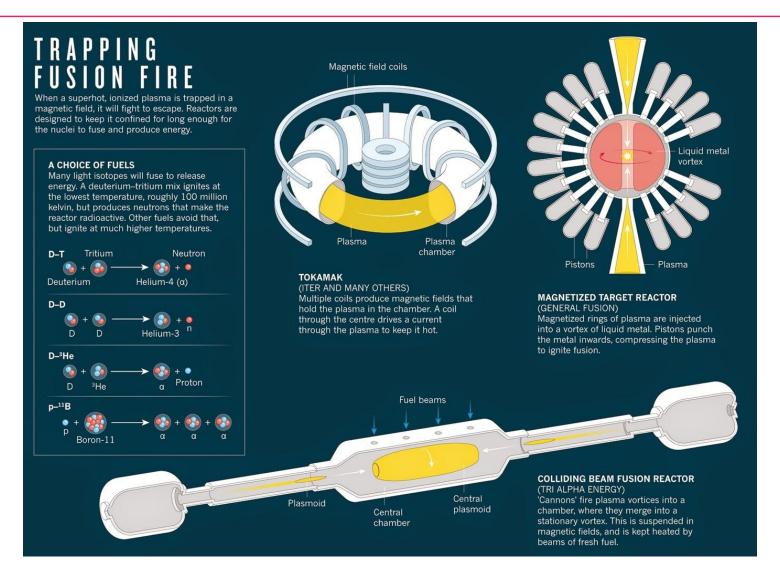




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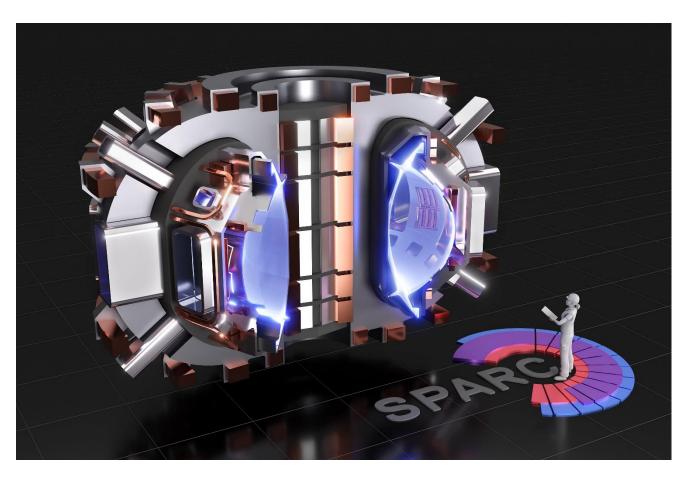
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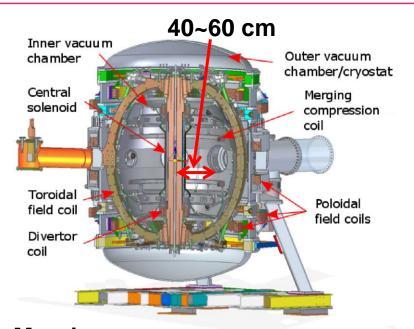
Commonwealth Fusion Systems, a MIT spin-out company, is building a high-magnetic field tokamak





- The fusion gain Q > 2 is expected for SPARC tokamak.

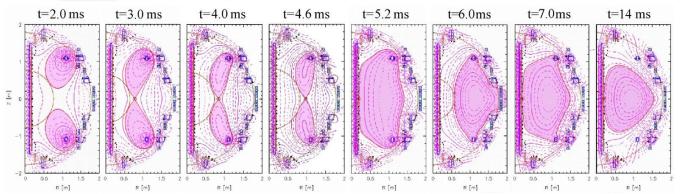
Merging compression is used to heat the tokamak at the start-up process in ST40 Tokamak at Tokamak Energy Ltd



- High temperature superconductors are used.
- B_T ~ 3 T



Merging compression

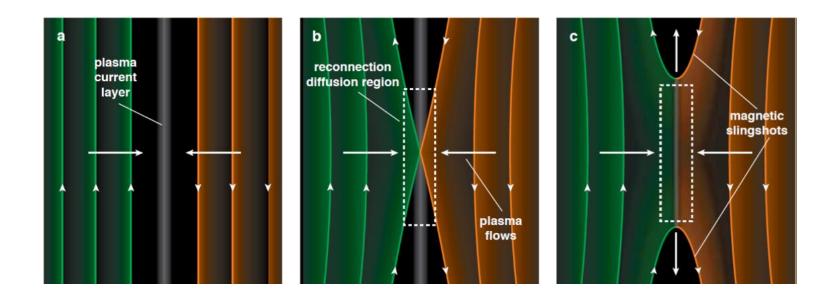


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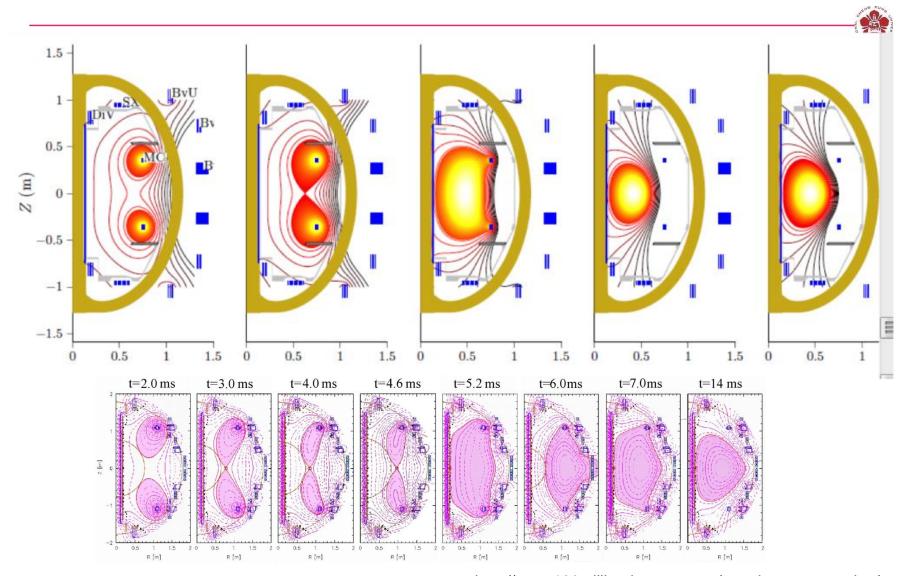
Reconnection





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Merging compression is used to heat the plasma

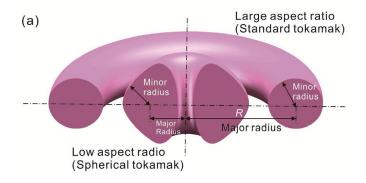


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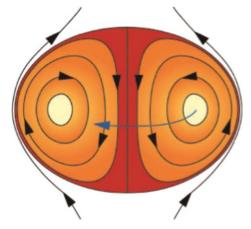
Spherical torus (ST) and compact torus (CT)



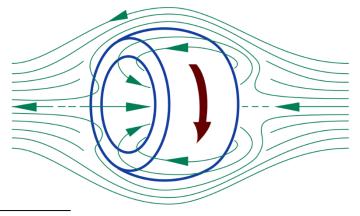
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- Compact torus (CT)
 - Spheromak



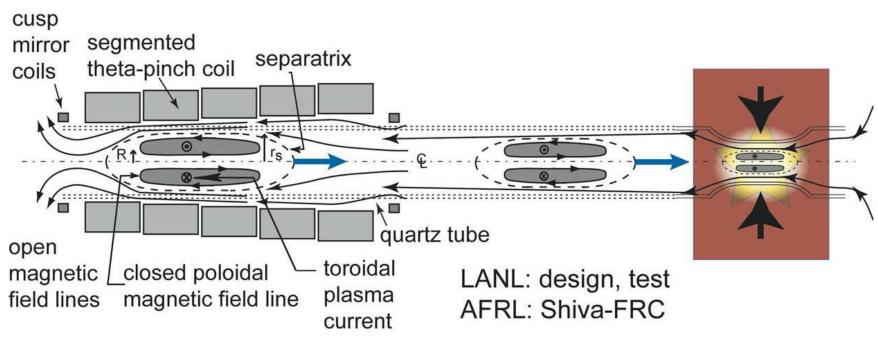
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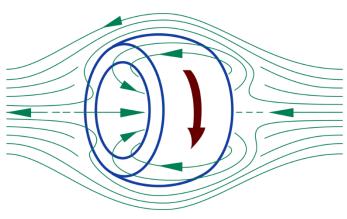


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Field reverse configuration is used in Tri-alpha energy





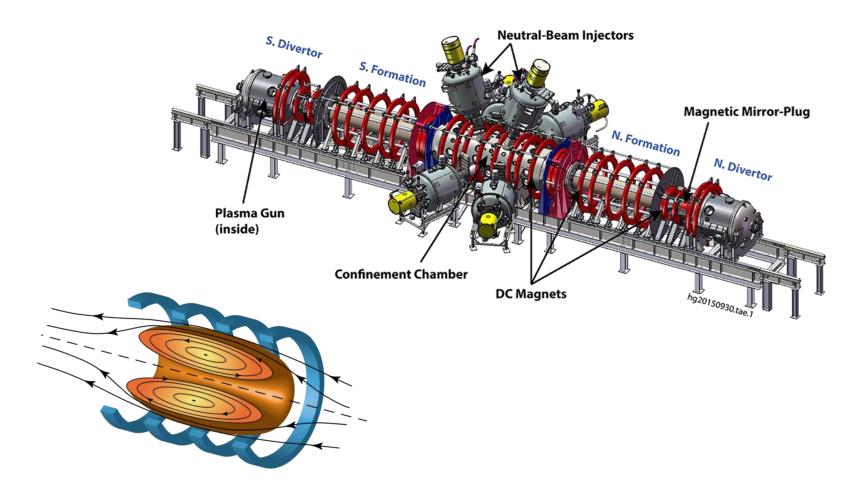


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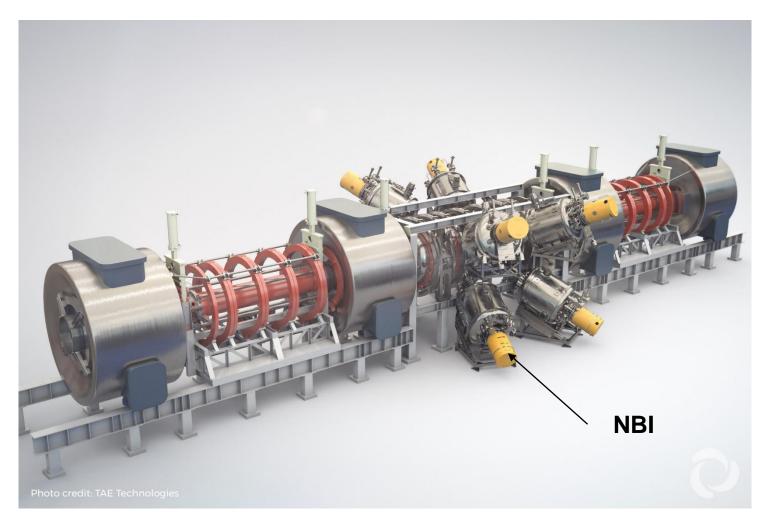
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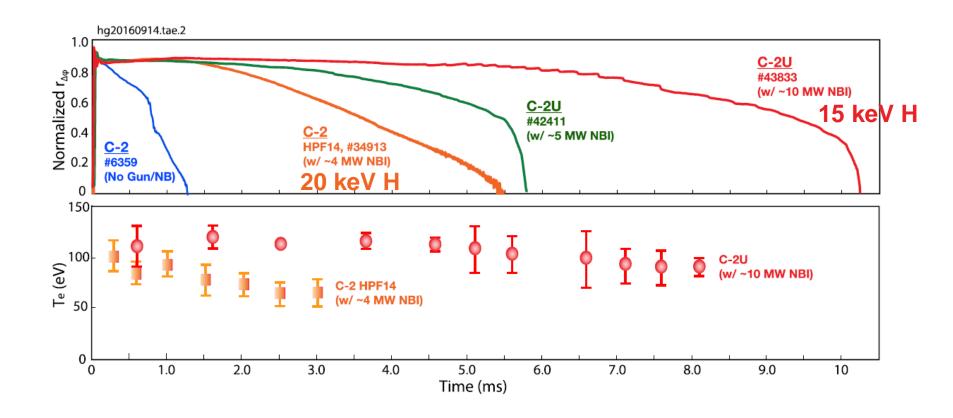




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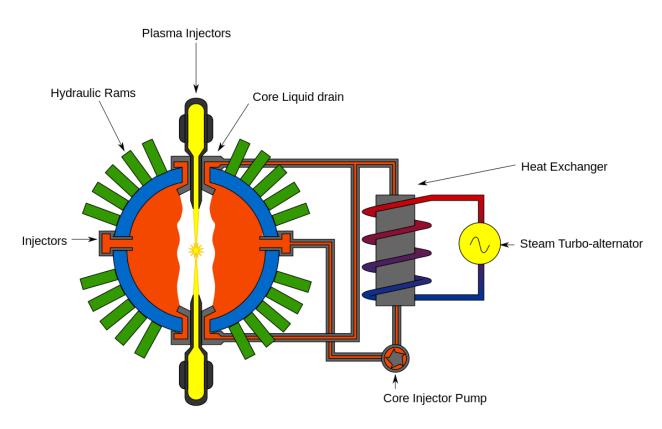
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General fusion is a design ready to be migrated to a power plant

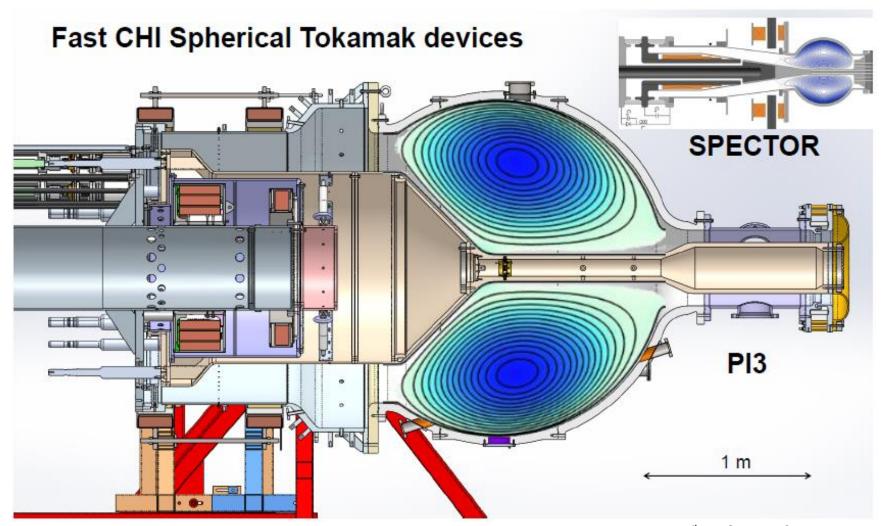






A spherical tokamak is first generated





Plasma injector for the spherical tokamak

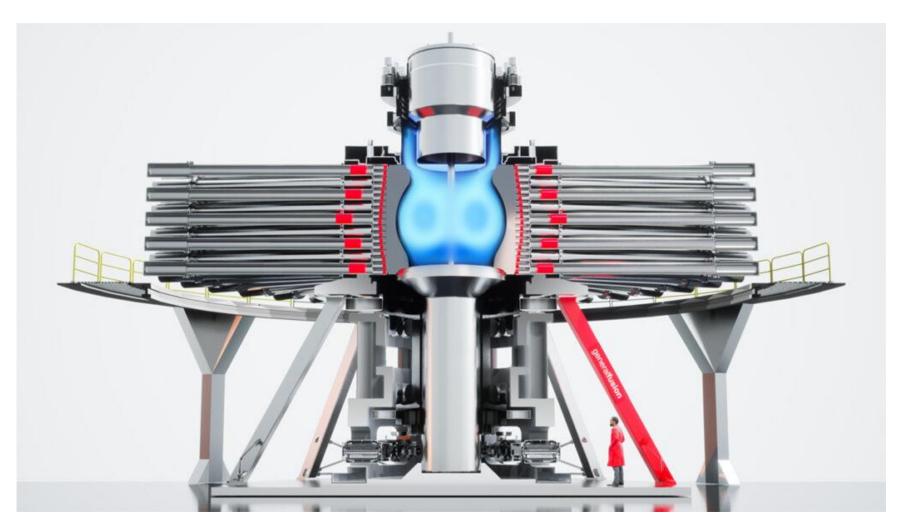






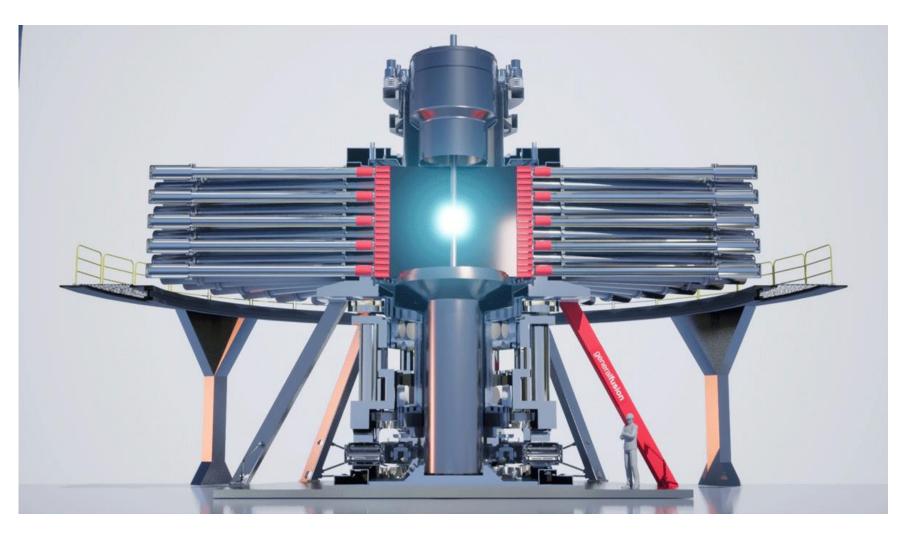
A spherical tokamak is generated in a liquid metal vortex





The spherical tokamak is compressed by the pressure provided by the sournding hydraulic pistons





BBC: General Fusion to build its Fusion Demonstration Plant in the UK, at the UKAEA Culham Campus

Nuclear energy: Fusion plant backed by Jeff Bezos to be built in UK

By Matt McGrath Environment correspondent

(1) 17 June



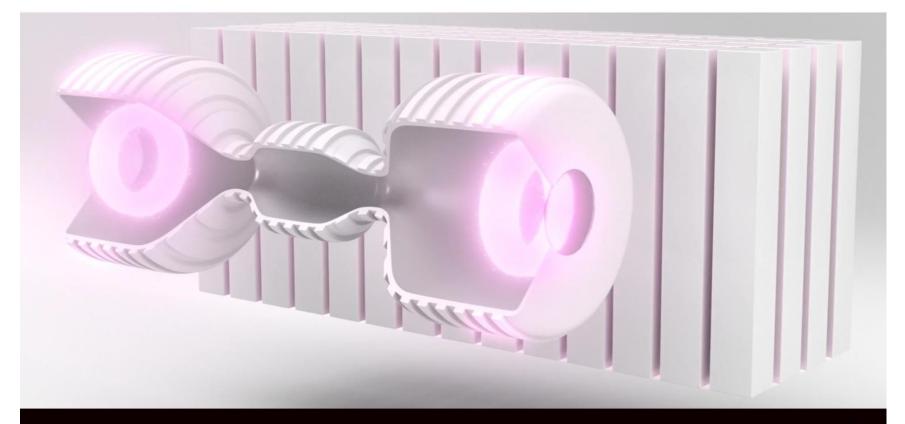


A company backed by Amazon's Jeff Bezos is set to build a large-scale nuclear fusion demonstration plant in Oxfordshire.

Canada's General Fusion is one of the leading private firms aiming to turn the

Helion energy is compressing the two merging FRCs



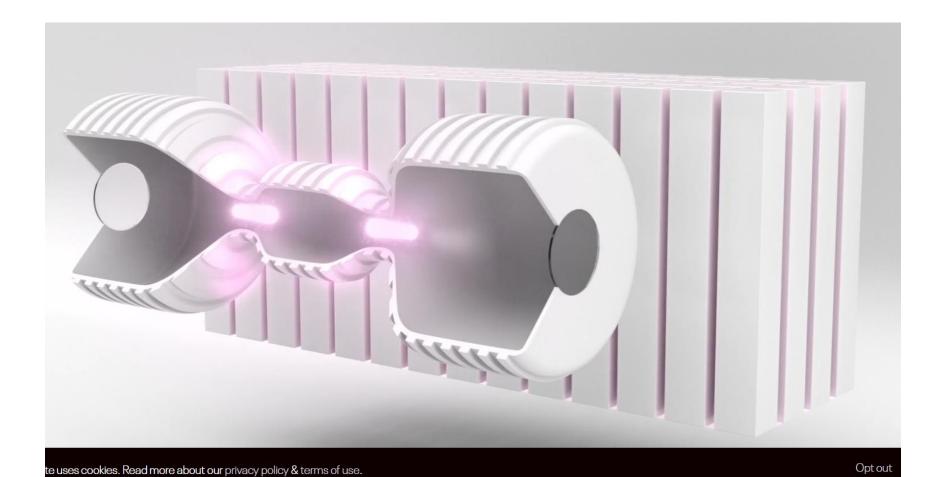


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Two FRCs are accelerated toward each other





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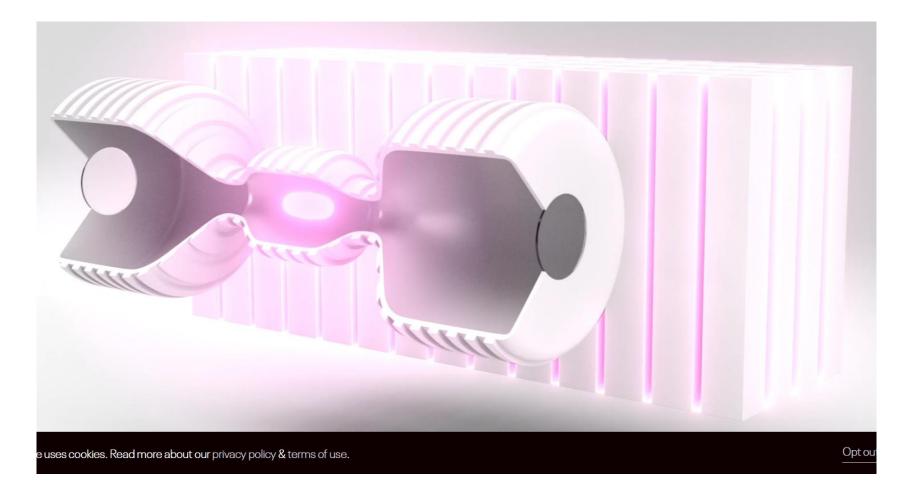
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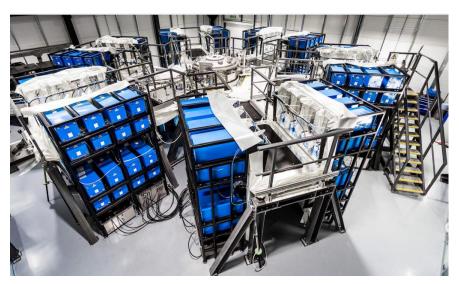
The merged FRC is compressed electrically to high temperature

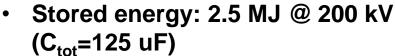




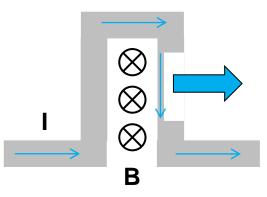
Similar concept will be studied in our laboratory.

Projectile Fusion is being established at First Light **Fusion Ltd, UK**

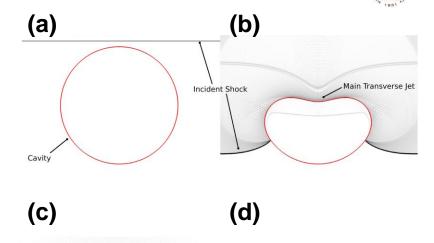


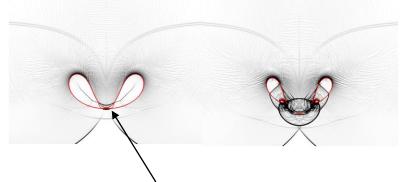


 I_{peak} =14 MA w/ T_{rise} ~2us.









High pressure is generated by the colliding shock.

A gas gun is used to eject the projectile



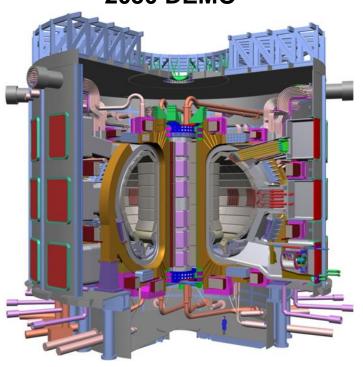




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Fusion is blooming



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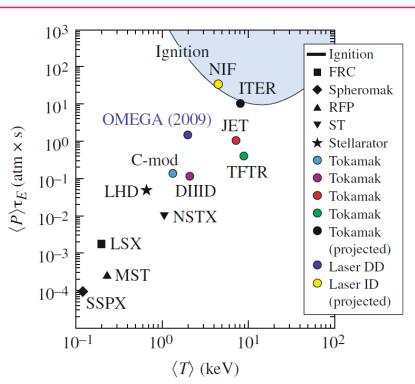


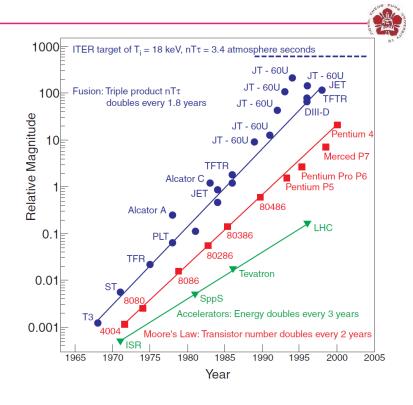




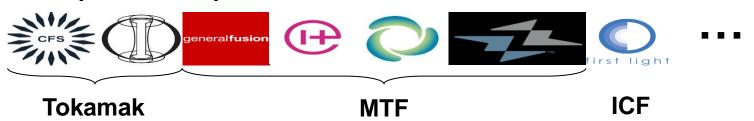
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We are closed to ignition!





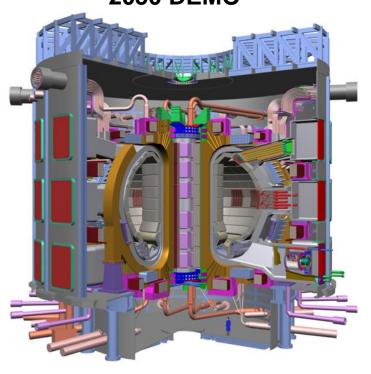
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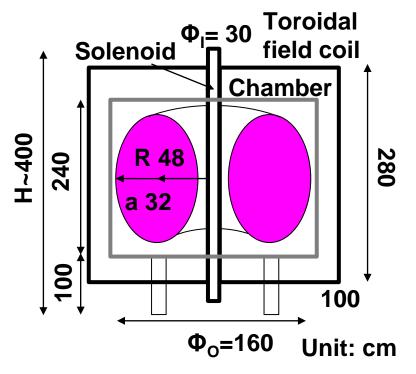
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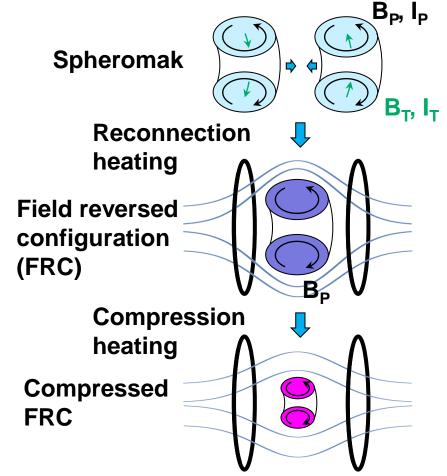
Fusion projects in Inst. Space and Plasma Sciences, National Cheng Kung University

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Formosa Integrated Research Spherical Tokamak (FIRST)



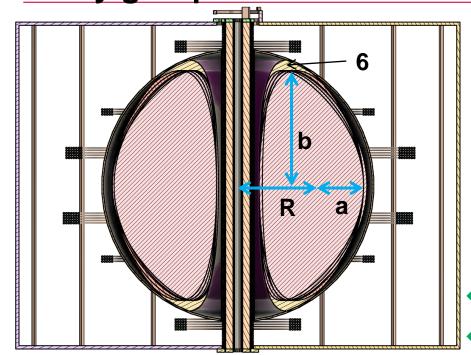
Magneto-inertial fusion (MIF)



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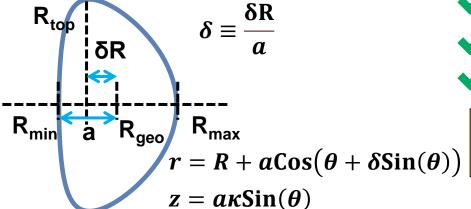
A new design using a spherical chamber can tolerate several potential shapes and sides calculated by the theory group





- Parameters:
 - Elongation κ=b/a
 - Triangularity δ
 - T~100 eV
 - B_T~0.5 T
 - I_D~100 kA

		R (cm)	a (cm)	R/a	K	δ
/	1	45	32	1.41	2.2	0.5
/	2	45	32	1.41	2.2	0.3
/	3	45	32	1.41	2.2	0.4
/	4	45	32	1.41	2.2	0.6
/	5	47	32	1.47	2.2	0.5



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Aurora

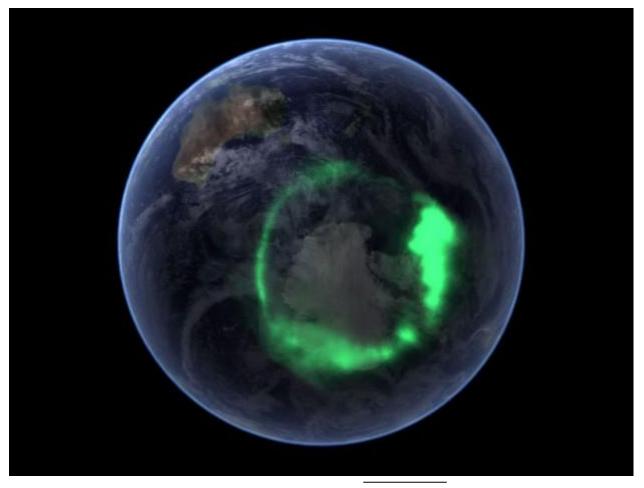




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Aurora seen from a satellite

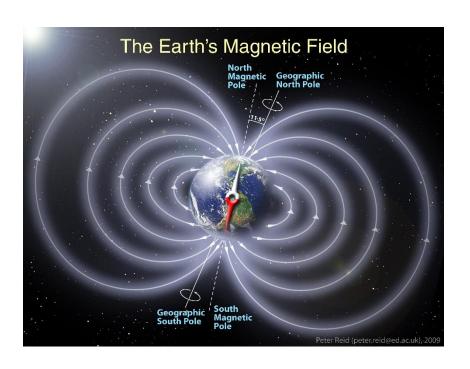


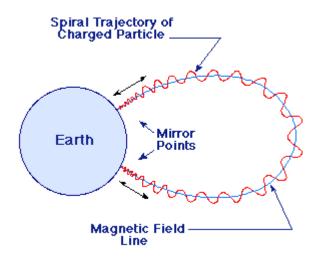


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Earth's magnetic field



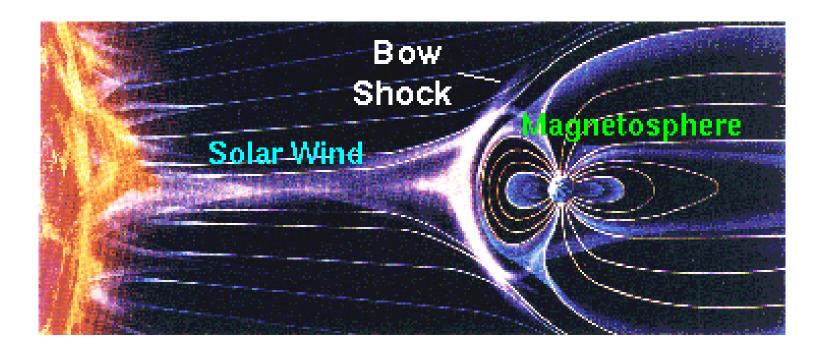




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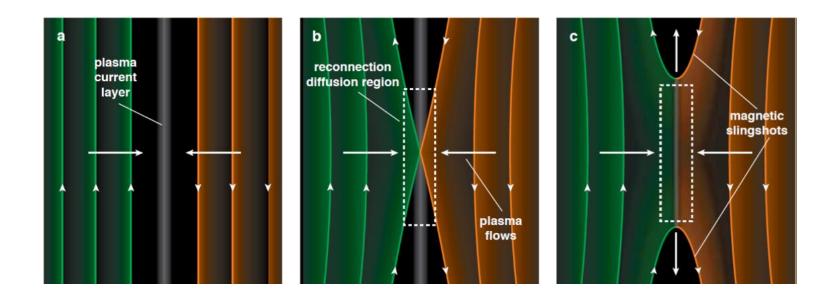
Earth magnetic fields are strongly influenced by solar wind





Reconnection

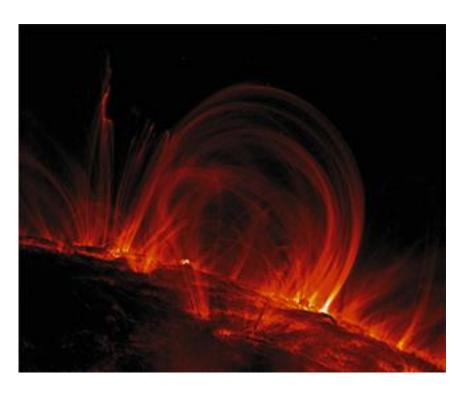


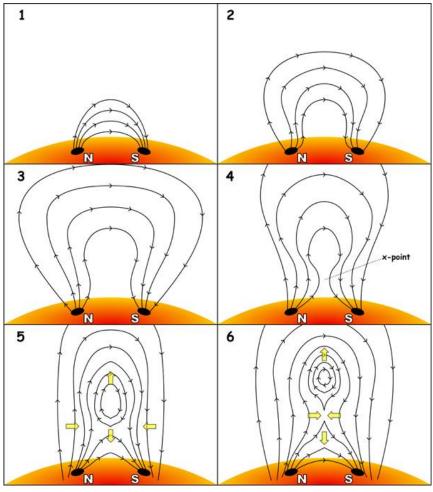


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Corona mass ejection (CME)



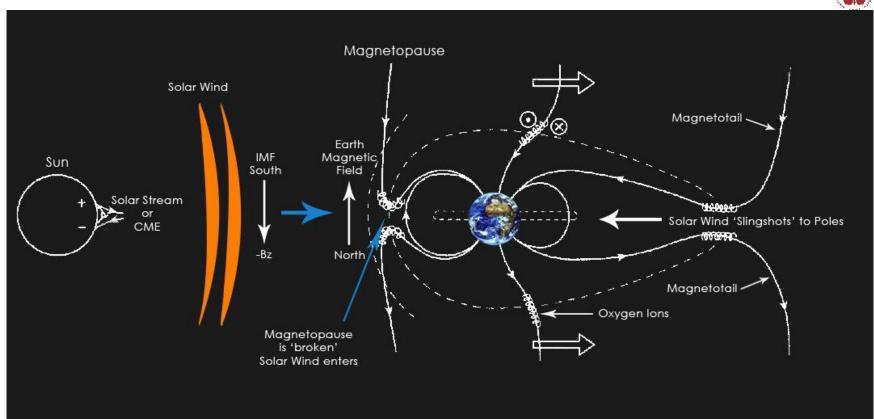




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Reconnections occur in many locations



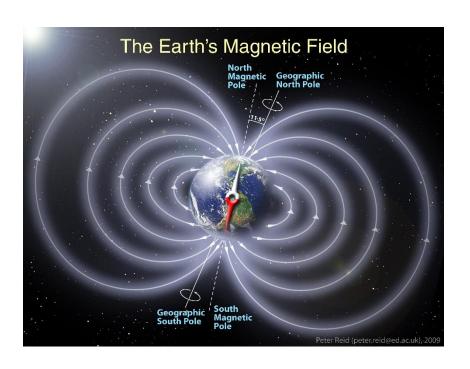


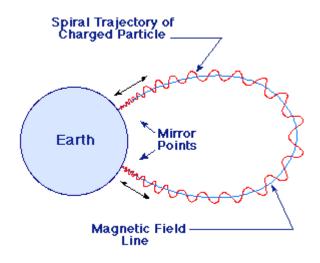
The Aurora Borealis:

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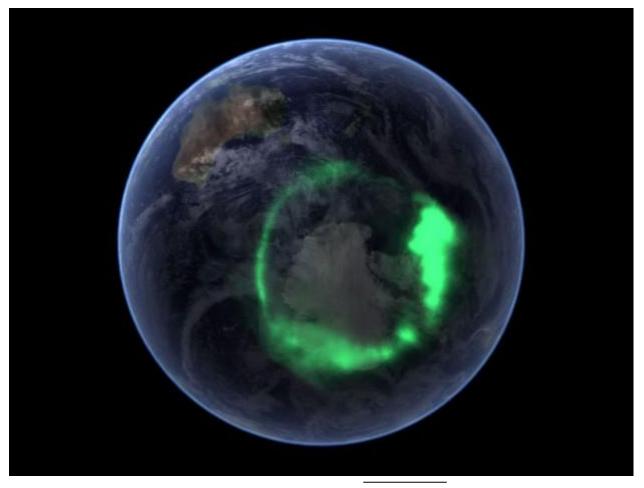




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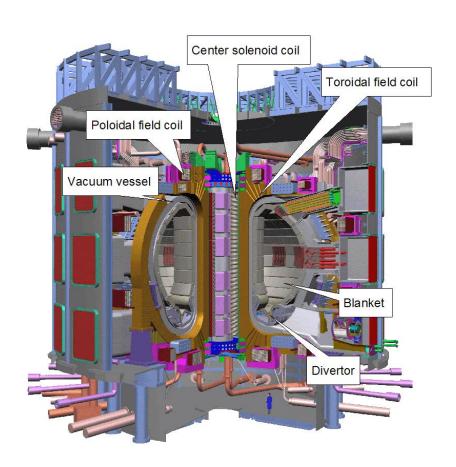
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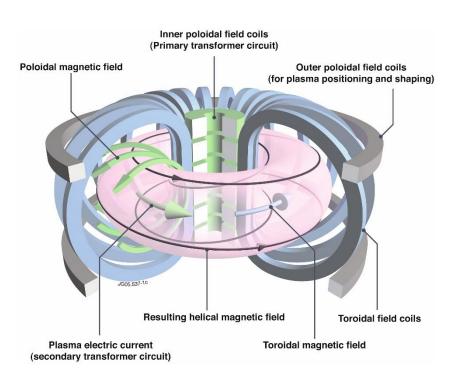


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Hot plasma is confined by the magnetic field in magnetic confinement fusion

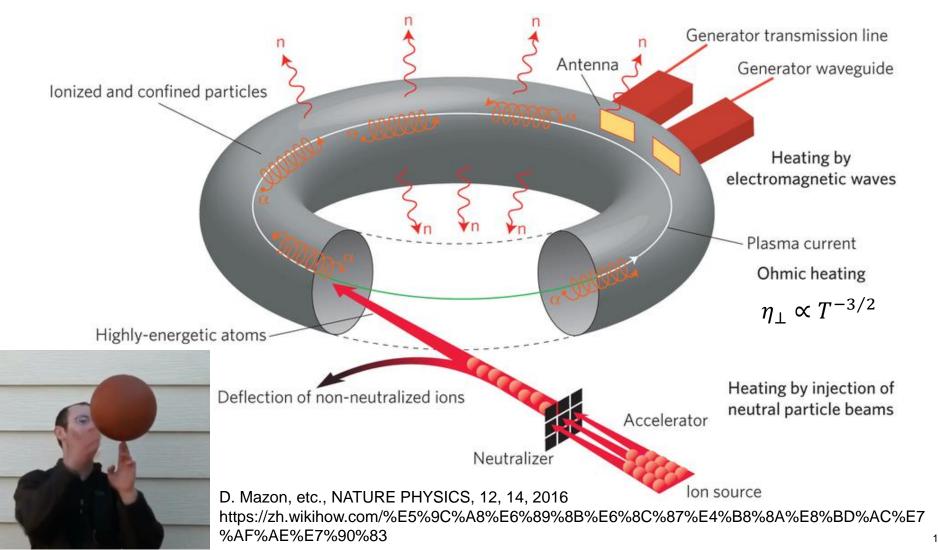






Neutral beam injector is one of the main heat mechanisms in MCF





Varies way of heating a MCF device

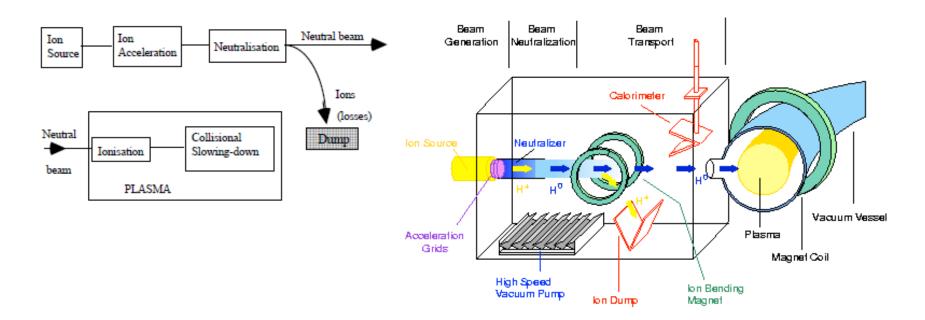


S	ystem	Frequency/ energy	Maximum power coupled to plasma	Overall system efficiency	Development/ demonstration required	Remarks
ECRF	Demonstrated in tokamaks	28–157 GHz	$2.8~\mathrm{MW},0.2~\mathrm{s}$	30-40%	Power sources and windows, off-axis CD	Provides off-axis CD
Lord	ITER needs	$150170~\mathrm{GHz}$	50 MW, SS			
ICRF	Demonstrated in tokamaks	25–120 MHz	22 MW, 3 s (L-mode); 16.5 MW, 3 s (H-mode)	50-60%	ELM tolerant system	Provides ion heating and smaller ELMs
Total	ITER needs	$4075~\mathrm{MHz}$	50 MW, SS			
LHRF	Demonstrated in tokamaks	$1.3-8~\mathrm{GHz}$	2.5 MW, 120 s; 10 MW, 0.5 s	45–55%	Launcher, coupling to H-mode	Provides off-axis CD
Liner	ITER needs	$5~\mathrm{GHz}$	50 MW, SS			
+ve ion	Demonstrated in tokamaks	$80140~\mathrm{keV}$	40 MW, 2 s; 20 MW, 8 s	35–45%	None	Not applicable
NBI	ITER needs	None	None			
-ve ion	Demonstrated in tokamaks	$0.35\;\mathrm{MeV}$	$5.2 \mathrm{MW}, \mathrm{D}^-, 0.8 \mathrm{s}$ (from 2 sources)			
— ve 1011	ITER needs	$1~{ m MeV}$	50 MW, SS	~37%	System, tests on tokamak, plasma CD	provides rotation

^{&#}x27;S S' indicates steady state

Neutral particles heat the plasma via coulomb collisions

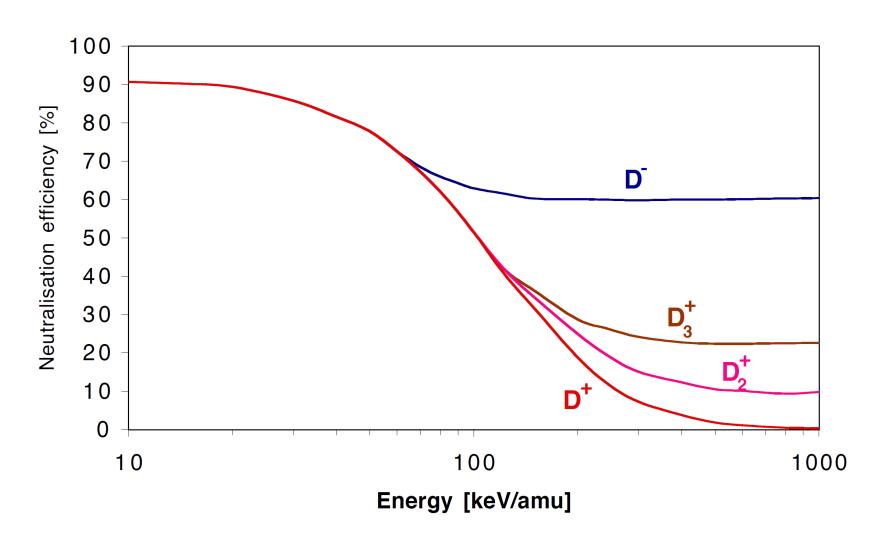




- 1. create energetic (fast) neutral ions
- 2. ionize the neutral particles
- 3. heat the plasma (electrons and ions) via Coulomb collisions

Negative ion source is preferred due to higher neutralization efficiency

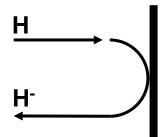




There are two ways to make negative ions – surface and volume production



- Surface production, depends on :
 - Work function Φ
 - Electron affinity level, 0.75 eV for H⁻



- Perpendicular velocity
- Work function can be reduced by covering the metal surface with cesium

$$H + e^- \rightarrow H^-$$

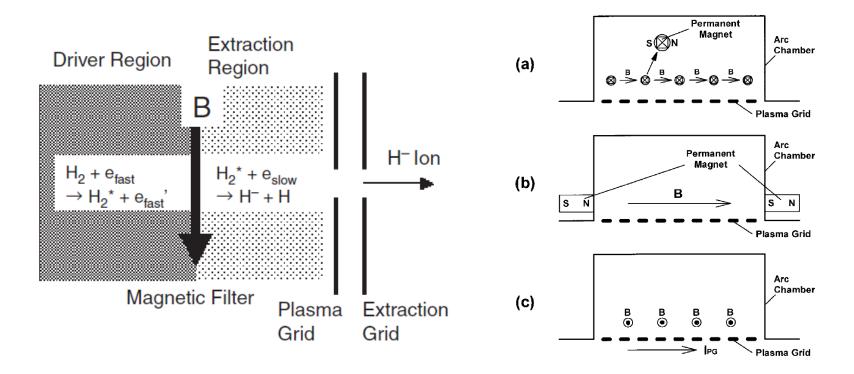
 $H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow H^-$

Volume production:

$$H_2 + e_{\textit{fast}}(>20 \text{ eV}) \rightarrow H_2^*(\text{excited state}) + e_{\textit{fast}},$$
 $H_2^*(\text{excited state}) + e_{\textit{slow}}(\approx 1 \text{ eV}) \rightarrow H^- + H.$

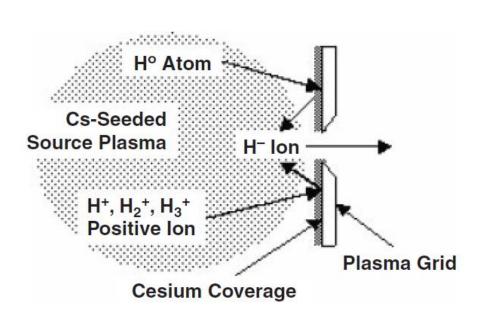
Two-chamber method of negative ions in volume production with a magnetic filter

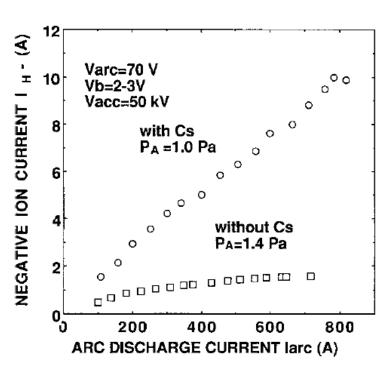




Adding cesium increases negative ion current

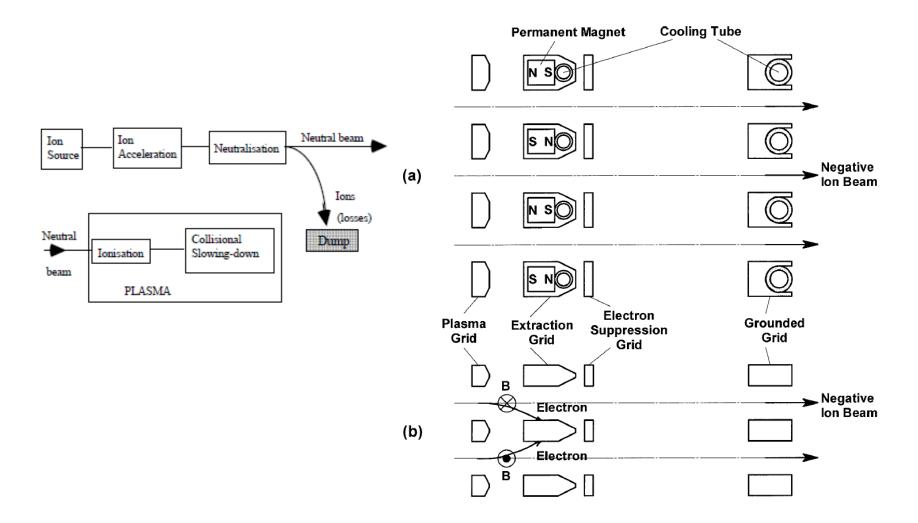






Electrons need to be filtered out since they are extracted together with negative ions

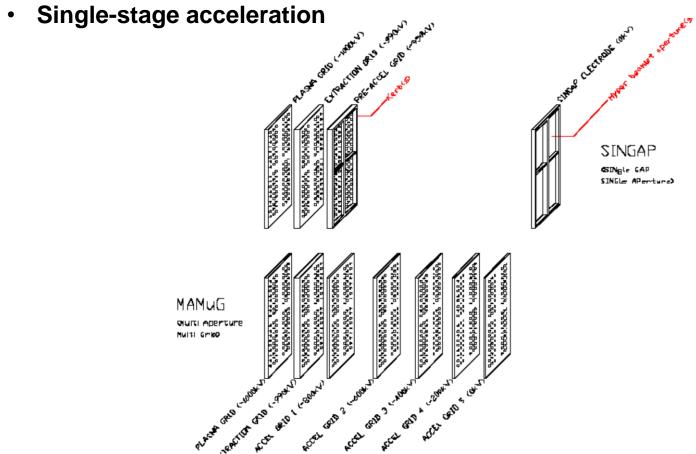




Acceleration



Multi-stage acceleration

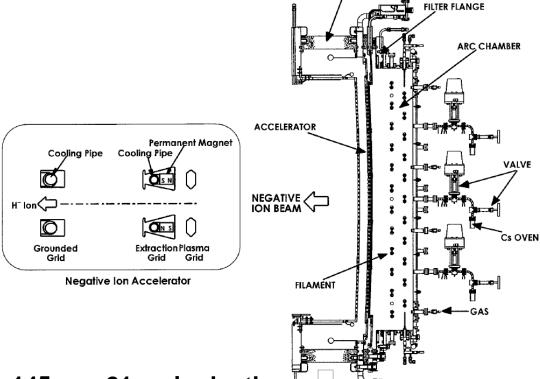


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NBI system of the LHD fusion machine







INSULATOR

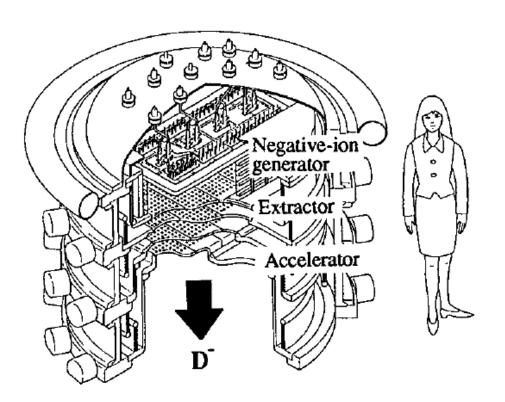
- 180 keV and 30 A
- Arc chamber: 35 cm x 145 cm, 21cm in depth
- Single stage accelerator

20 cm

JT60U NBI system



- JT-60 (Japan-Torus) is a tokamak in Japan.
- 550 keV, 22A
- 2m in diameter and 1.7 m in height
- 3-stage accelerator



Neutralization



Gas neutralization

Collisions between fast negative ions and atoms

$$H^- + H_2 \longrightarrow H + H_2 + e^-$$

Fast ions can lose another electron after neutralized

$$H + H_2 \rightarrow H^+ + H_2 + e^-$$

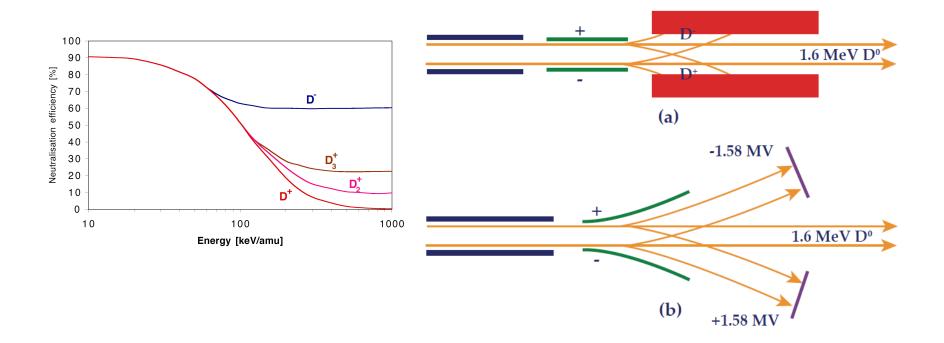
- Plasma neutralization
 - Collisions with charged particles in plasma

$$H^{-} + X(e, Ar, H^{+}, H_{2}^{+}) \longrightarrow H + X + e^{-}$$

The efficiencies reach up to 85% for fully ionized hydrogen plasma

Beam dump

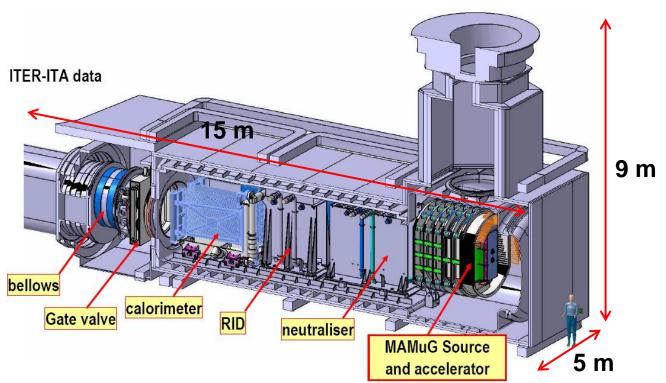




NBI for ITER



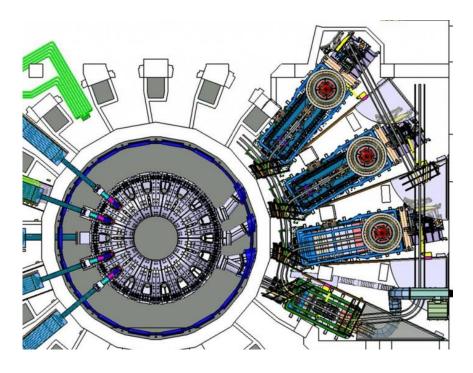
- beam components (Ion Source, Accelerator, Neutralizer, Residual Ion Dump and Calorimeter)
- other components (cryo-pump, vessels, fast shutter, duct, magnetic shielding, and residual magnetic field compensating coils)



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Neutral beam penetration

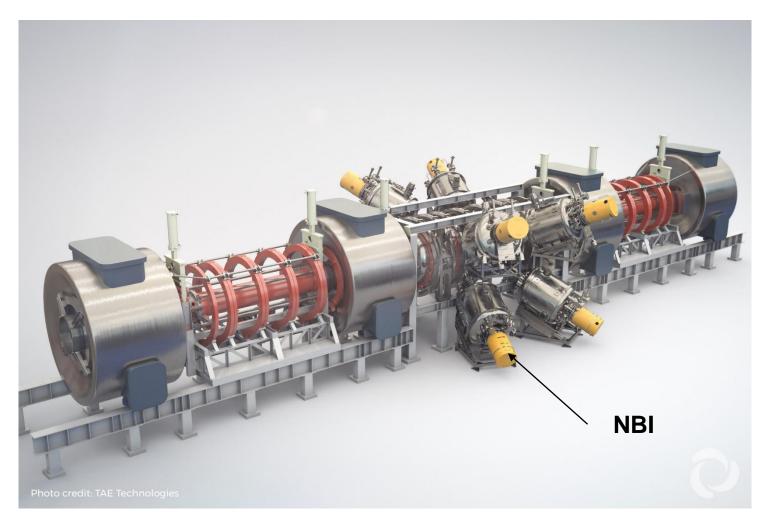




- Parallel direction
 - Longest path through the densest part of the plasma
 - Harder to be built
- Perpendicular direction
 - Path is short
 - Larger perpendicular energies leads to larger losses
 - Easier to be built

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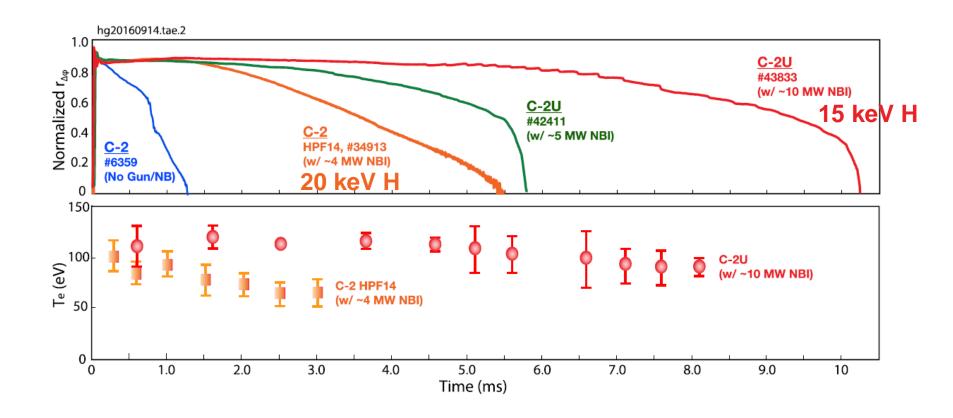




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FRC sustain longer with neutral beam injection





Neutral beam source



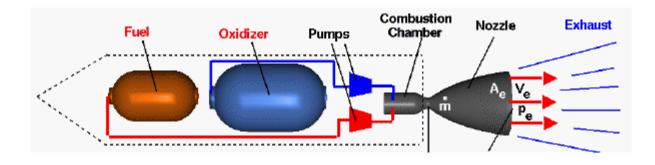
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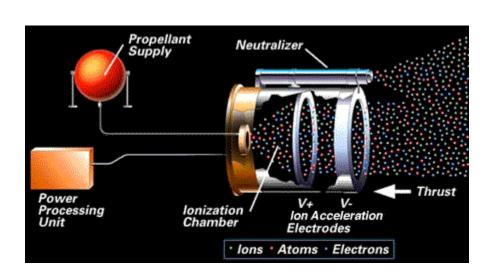
Comparison between liquid rockets and ion thrusters



Liquid rockests

- u~4500 m/s
- Isp~450 s
- Energy ~ 100GJ
- Power ~ 300MW
- Thrust ~ 2x10⁶ N
- Ion thrusters
 - u~30000 m/s
 - Isp~3000 s
 - Energy ~ 1000GJ
 - Power ~ 1kW
 - Thrust ~ 0.1 N





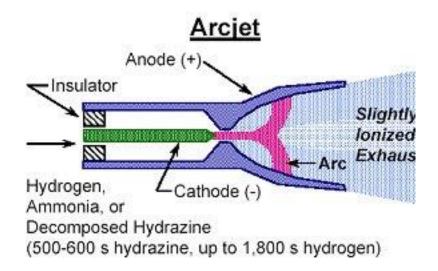
Electric thruster types - electrothermal



Resistojet

Resistojet AC or DC Power Hot Gas Exhaust Hydrogen, Ammonia, or Decomposed Hydrazine 300 s (hydrazine) 900 s (hydrogen)

Arcjet

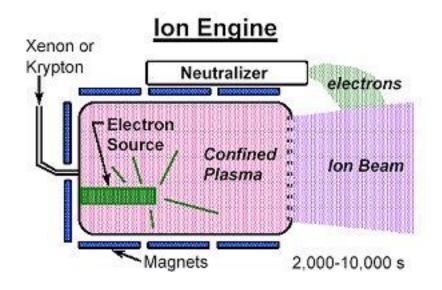


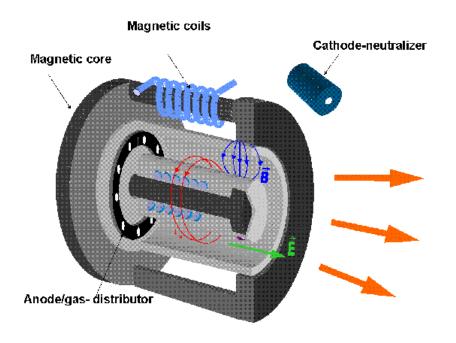
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Ion thruster



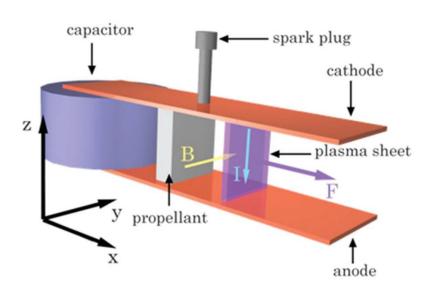




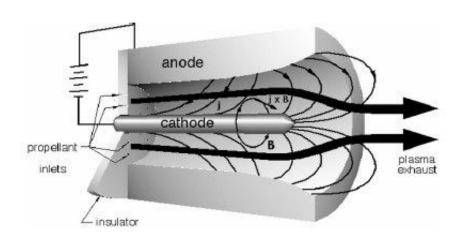
Electric thruster types - Electromagnetic



Pulsed plasma thruster



 Magnetoplasmadynamic thruster (MPD)



The thrust in an ion engine is transferred by the electrostatic force between the ions and the two grids



$$\frac{dE(x)}{dx} = \frac{\rho(x)}{\varepsilon_0} = \frac{qn_i(x)}{\varepsilon_0}$$

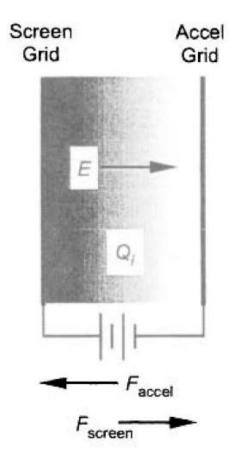
$$E(x) = \frac{q}{\varepsilon_0} \int_0^x n_i(x') dx' + E_{\text{screen}}$$

Gauss's law: $\sigma = \varepsilon_0 E_{\text{screen}}$

$$F_{\text{screen}} = \sigma \frac{(E_{\text{screen}} + 0)}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_0 E_{\text{screen}}^2$$

$$F_{\text{accel}} = -\sigma \frac{(E_{\text{accel}} + 0)}{2} = -\frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_0 E_{\text{accel}}^2$$

$$T = F_{\text{screen}} + F_{\text{accel}} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_0 (E_{\text{screen}}^2 - E_{\text{accel}}^2)$$



$$F_{\text{ion}} = q \int_0^d n_i(x) E(x) dx = \varepsilon_0 \int_0^d \frac{dE}{dx} E dx = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon_0 (E_{\text{accel}}^2 - E_{\text{screen}}^2)$$

The rocket equation



$$p(t) = p(t + dt)$$

$$Mv = (M - dm_p)(v + dv) + dm_p(v - v_{ex})$$

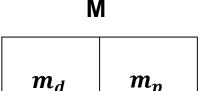
$$Mv = Mv + Mdv - dm_pv - dm_pdv + dm_pv - dm_pv_{ex}$$

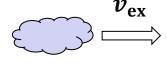
 $dv \sim -v_{\rm ex} rac{dM}{M}$ where $dm_{\rm p} dv$ is neglected and $dm_{\rm p} = -dM$

$$\int_{v_i}^{v_f} dv = -v_{\text{ex}} \int_{m_d + m_p}^{m_d} \frac{dM}{M}$$

$$\Delta \mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{Isp} \times g) \ln \left(\frac{m_d + m_p}{m_d} \right)$$

$$egin{aligned} m{m}_p &= m{m}_d [e^{\Delta ext{v}/v_{ ext{ex}}} - m{1}] \ &= m{m}_d [e^{\Delta ext{v}/(ext{Isp} imes g)} - m{1}] \end{aligned}$$





Force transfer



$$T = -\frac{d}{dt}(m_p v_{\text{ex}}) = -v_{\text{ex}} \frac{dm_p}{dt} = -\dot{m}_p v_{ex}$$

$$\dot{m}_p = QM$$

$$P_{
m jet} = -rac{1}{2}\dot{m}_p v_{
m ex}^2 = -rac{T^2}{2\dot{m}_p}$$
 $Q = ext{propellant particle}$ $M = ext{atomic mass in kg}$

$$T = -\frac{dm_{\rm p}}{dt}v_{\rm ex} \approx -\dot{m}_i v_i$$

$$v_i = \sqrt{\frac{2qV_b}{M}}$$

$$-\dot{m}_i = \frac{I_b M}{q}$$

 m_p = propellant mass flow rate in kg/s

Q = propellant particle flow rate in particles/s

 $\dot{m}_i = \text{ion mass flow rate in kg/}s$ $I_b = \text{ion current}$

$$T = \sqrt{\frac{2M}{e}} I_b \sqrt{V_b} \text{ (Nt)}$$

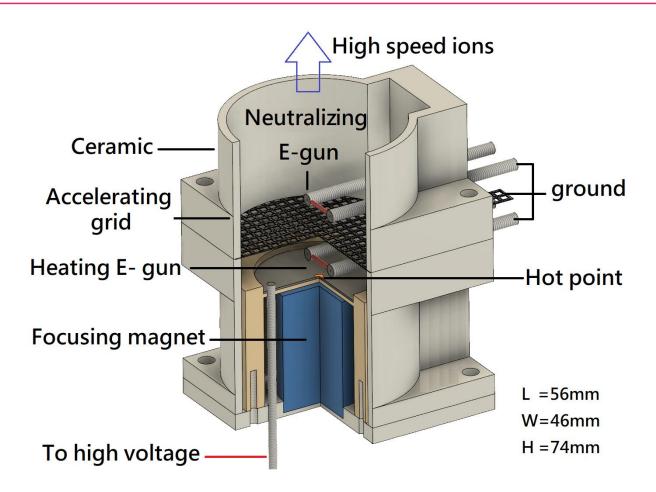
Ion thruster has the highest specific impulse (Isp)



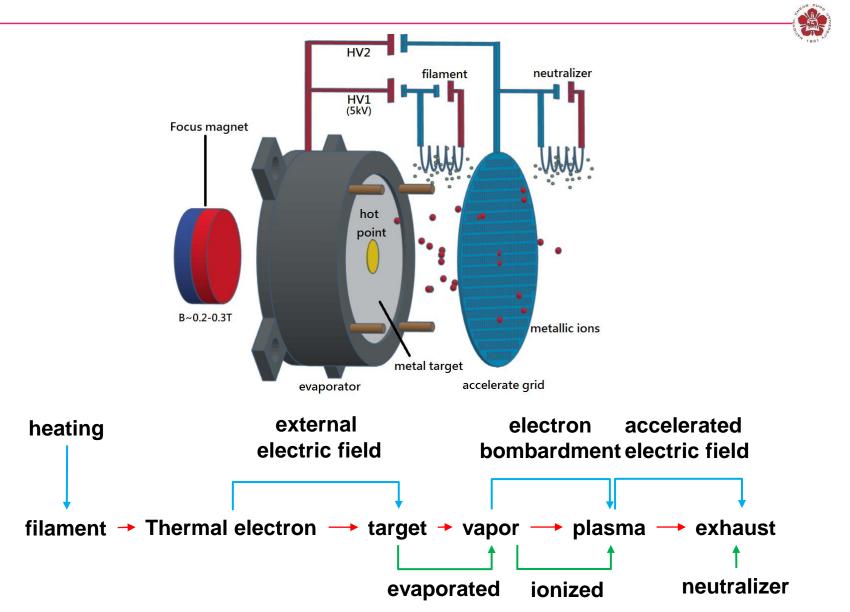
Thruster	Specific Impulse (s)	Input Power (kW)	Efficiency Range (%)	Propellant
Cold gas	50-75		<u></u>	Various
Chemical (monopropellant)	150-225	—		N_2H_4 H_2O_2
Chemical (bipropellant)	300-450		_	Various
Resistojet	300	0.5-1	65-90	N ₂ H ₄ monoprop
Arcjet	500-600	0.9-2.2	25-45	N ₂ H ₄ monoprop
Ion thruster	2500-3600	0.4-4.3	40-80	Xenon
Hall thrusters	1500-2000	1.5-4.5	35-60	Xenon
PPTs	850-1200	<0.2	7–13	Teflon

Metallic Ion Thruster Using Magnetron E-Beam Bombardment (MIT-MEB)





Electrons are used to generate metallic gas, metallic plasma and to neutralize ions

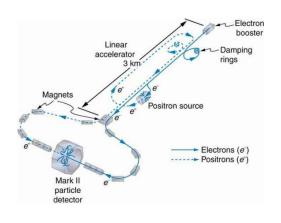


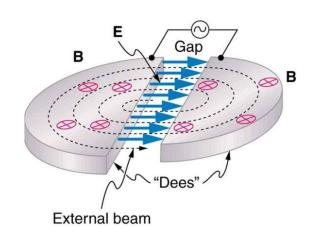
High energy particle accelerator



- linear particle accelerator (Linac)
- Cyclotron

Synchrotron

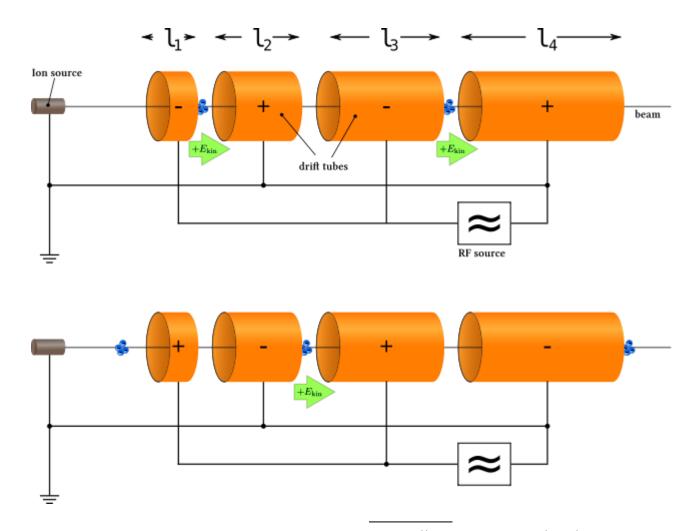






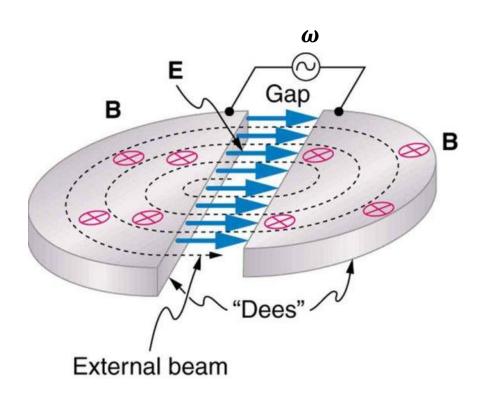
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A linear particle accelerator (linac) accelerates charged particles using a series of oscillating electric potentials along a linear beamline



Cyclotrons use a magnetic field to cause particles to move in circular orbits





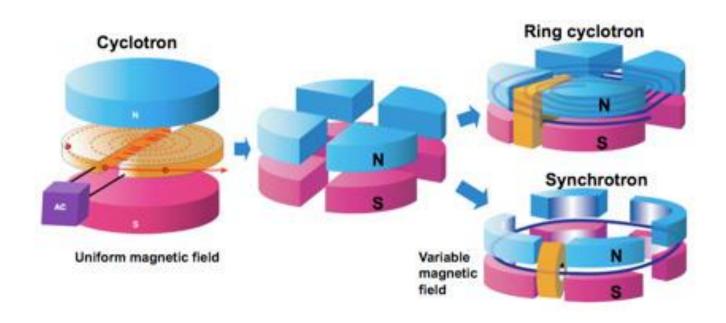
$$\omega_{\mathrm{ce}} = \frac{eB}{m_e c}$$

$$r_e = rac{v}{\omega_{
m ce}} = rac{m_e c v}{e B}$$

Cyclotron was invented by Ernest Lawrence who earned the 1939
 Nobel price in physics

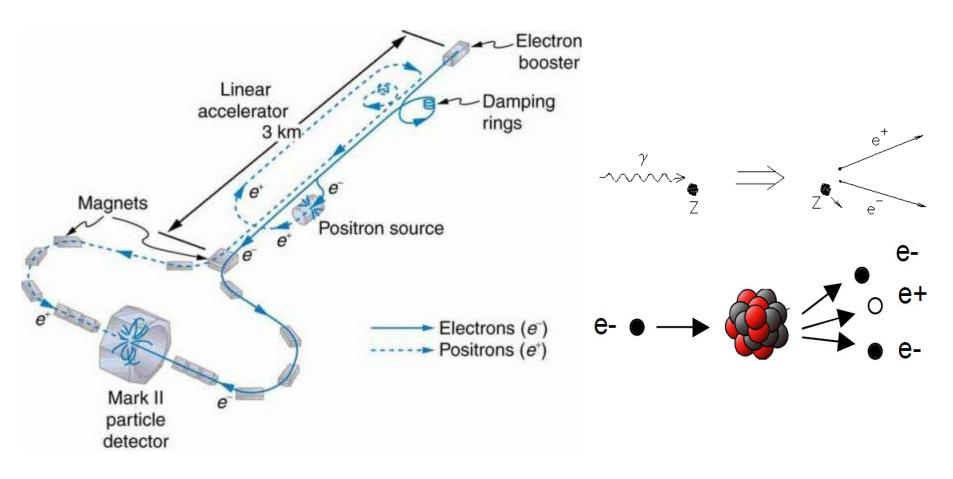
Synchrotron uses time-dependent guiding magnetic field synchronized to a particle beam





Stanford linear accelerator center (SLAC) is a 50 GeV electron / positron accelerator





Large Hadron Collider (LHC) is the world's largest and most powerful particle collider providing 13 TeV protons



Plasma based accelerators will become 3 orders smaller than the regular microwave based accelerator



- Maximum field strength:
 - Microwave: 100 MV/m
 - Plasma: >10 GV/m, 300 GV/m was achieved using laser wakefield accelerator¹
- Plasma based high energy accelerators:
 - V_pxB or surfatron accelerator²
 - Plasma wakefield accelerator (PWFA)³
 - Plasma beat wave accelerator (PBWA)⁴
 - Laser wakefield accelerator (LWFA)⁴

¹N. A. M. Hafz, et al., Nature Photonics **2**, 571 (2008)

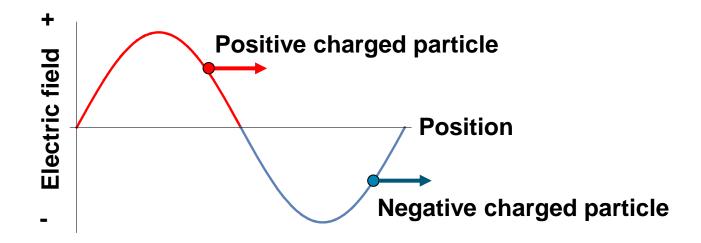
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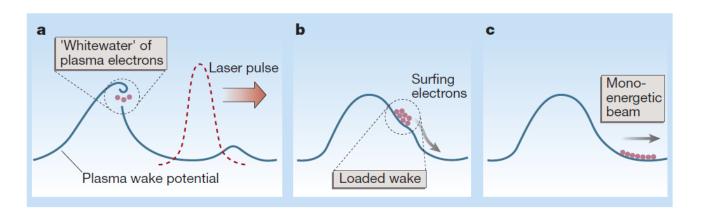
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Charged particles can be accelerated in the wave electric field







Who will catch the wave?





Plasma wake field accelerator is just like boat wake surfing







A wake surfer catches the wake field via being pulled by the boat using a roap







https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VFp7SloeAnk

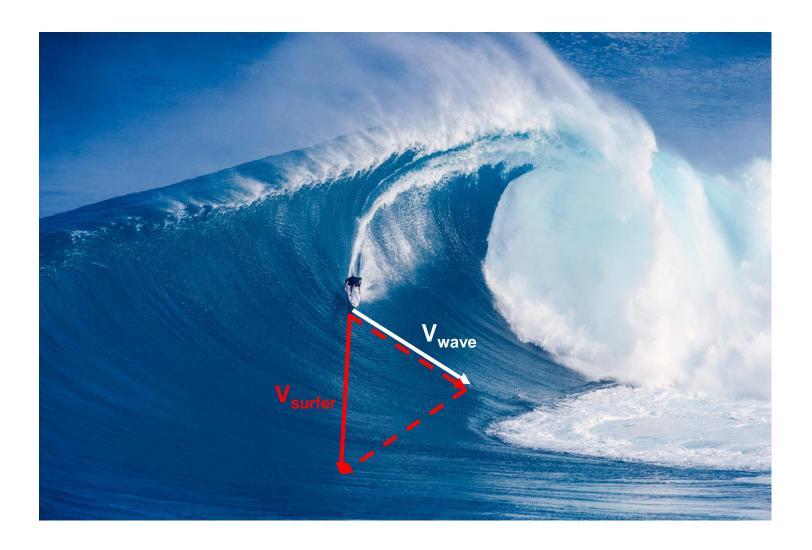
The surfer glides in a direction not parallel to the wave direction to be in phase to the wave propagation





The surfer glides in a direction not parallel to the wave direction to be in phase to the wave propagation





Electrons may be accelerated to speed of light using V_pxB acceleration (Surfatron)



$$\overrightarrow{B}$$
, $\overrightarrow{2}$

$$\overrightarrow{v}$$

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$$x_1 = x - v_{\text{ph}}t$$
 $\frac{d}{dt}(\gamma v_{\chi}) = 0$
 $v_{\chi} \rightarrow v_{\text{ph}}$

$$v_y = -rac{\omega_c v_{
m ph} t}{\gamma_{
m ph} \sqrt{1 + rac{\omega_c^2 t^2 v_{
m ph}^2}{c^2}}$$

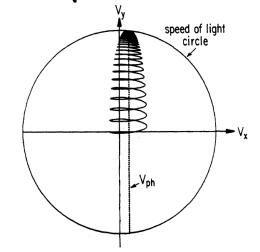
$$\vec{E} = E_0 \sin(kx - \omega t)\hat{x}$$

$$\vec{B} = B\hat{z}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\gamma v_x) = \frac{qE_0}{m} \sin(kx - \omega t) + \omega_c v_y$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\gamma v_y) = -\omega_c v_x$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{v_x^2 + v_y^2}{c^2}}$$

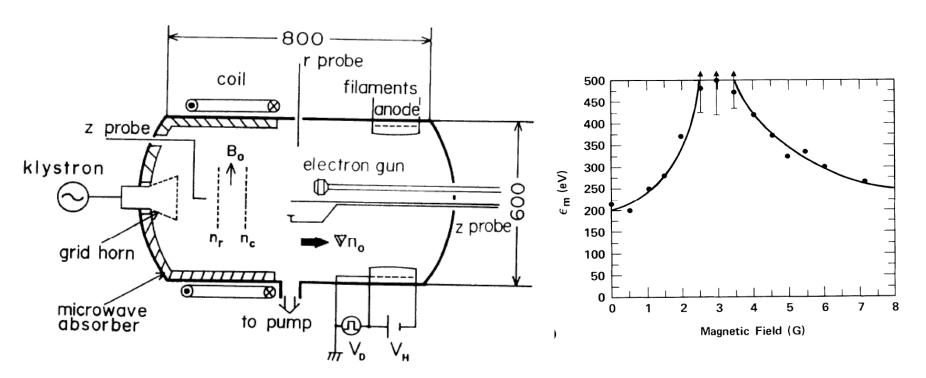


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Experimental results of V_pxB acceleration (Surfatron)



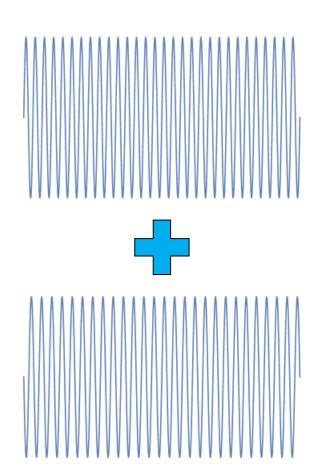


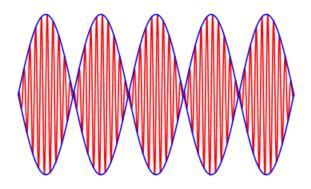
- $n_0 \sim 1-30 \times 10^{17} \text{ m}^{-3}$
- T_e ~ 2-5 eV

- $T_i \sim 0.1-0.2 \text{ eV}$
- Microwave frequency: 3-10 GHz

Plasma beat wave accelerator







$$sin(x_1) + sin(x_2) = 2 sin\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}\right) cos\left(\frac{x_1 - x_2}{2}\right)$$

A plasma wave is driven by the laser beat wave



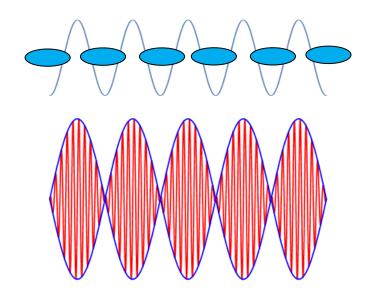
$$\omega_0 = \omega_2 - \omega_1$$

$$k_0 = k_2 - k_1$$

$$v_{\mathrm{ph}} = v_g = c \sqrt{1 - \frac{{\omega_p}^2}{{\omega_0}^2}}$$

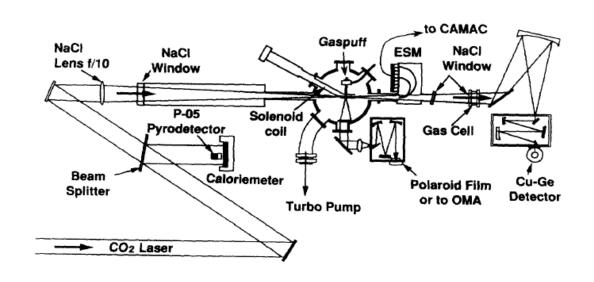
$$F = -e\nabla \phi_p = -\nabla \frac{e^2 E^{(1)} \cdot E^{(2)*}}{m\omega_1\omega_2}$$

Plasma wave



Electrons were accelerated to over 20 MeV using plasma beat wave accelerator



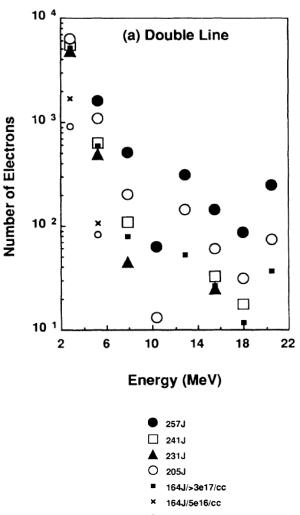




Intensity: $2x10^{13} \sim 2x10^{14} \text{ W/cm}^2$

Injected E-beam: 0.1~1 MeV

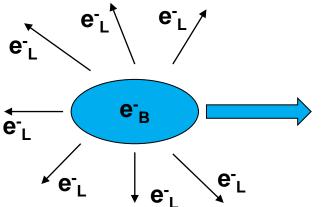
 $n_0 = 3x10^{16} \sim 7x10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

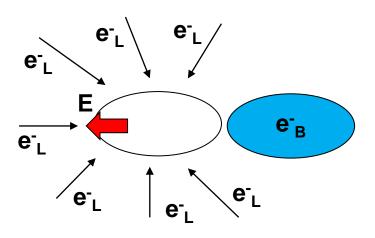


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Plasma wakefield accelerator employs two beams

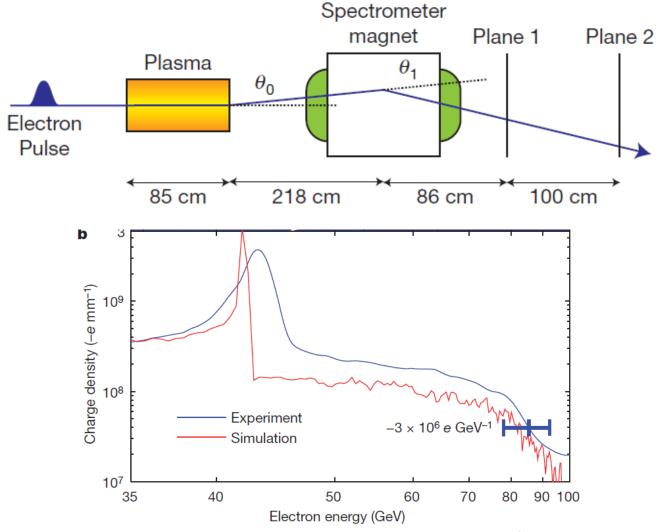
- When a bunch of electrons enter the plasma, they expel local electrons.
- When the bunch of electrons leave the plasma, the local electrons try to return but oscillate around their original locations and generate a wake field behind the bunch.
- The longitudinal field of the wake can accelerate the particles in the back.
- Key components:
 - Drive bunch: excite wakefield
 - Test bunch: beam that is accelerated to high energy





Energy doubling of 42 GeV electrons in a metre-scale plasma wakefield accelerator





Dream beam – the dawn of compact particle accelerators





Ponderomotive force expelled electrons away from the higher electric field region



$$m_s\ddot{x}=q_sE=q_sE_0(x)\cos\omega t$$
 $x=x_0+x_1$ where $x_0=\overline{x}$ $m_s(\ddot{x}_0+\ddot{x}_1)=q_s\left(E_0+x_1rac{\mathrm{d}E_0}{\mathrm{d}x}
ight)\cos\omega t$

Take time average:

$$m_{s}\ddot{x}_{0} = q_{s} \frac{dE_{0}}{dx} \bigg|_{x_{0}} \overline{x_{1}\cos\omega t}$$
• $\ddot{x}_{1} \gg \ddot{x}_{0}$, $E_{0} >> x_{1} \frac{dE_{0}}{dx}$

$$m_{s}\ddot{x}_{1} = q_{s}E_{0}\cos\omega t$$

$$x_1 = -\frac{q_s E_0}{m_s \omega^2} \cos \omega t$$

$$\ddot{x}_0 = -\frac{q_s^2 E_0}{2m_s^2 \omega^2} \frac{dE_0}{dx}$$

$$\frac{dE_0}{dx} = 0 \qquad \frac{dE_0}{dx} > 0$$
Weak Strong

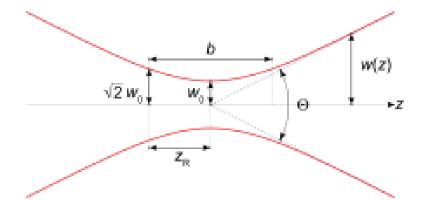
$$F_p = m_s \ddot{x}_0 = -\frac{q_s^2}{4m_s \omega^2} \frac{d}{dx} (E_0^2)$$

Laser is used to create a bunch in laser wakefield accelerator



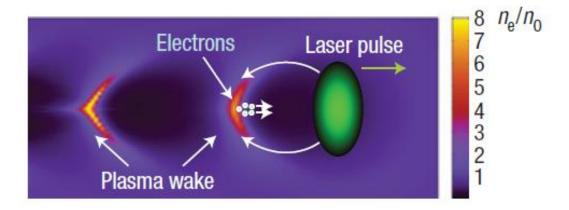
$$I(r,z) = \frac{2P}{\pi w^{2}(z)} \exp \left[-\frac{2r^{2}}{w^{2}(z)}\right]$$

- Waist: $w(z) = w_0 \sqrt{1 + \frac{z^2}{{z_R}^2}}$
- Rayleigh length: $z_R = \frac{\pi w_0^2}{\lambda_L}$



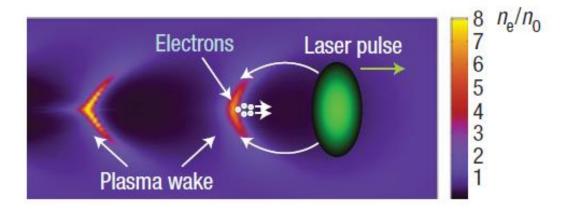
Bubble/blow-out regime

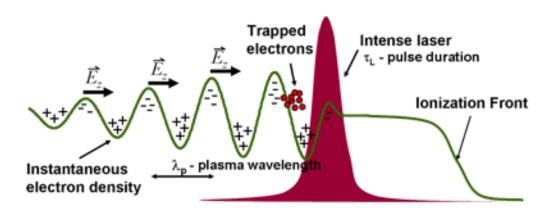




A plasma wake is generated by a short pulse laser



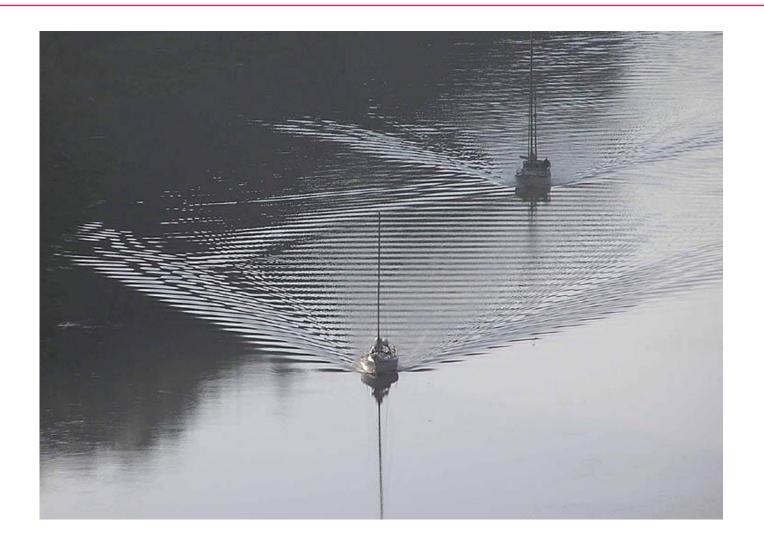




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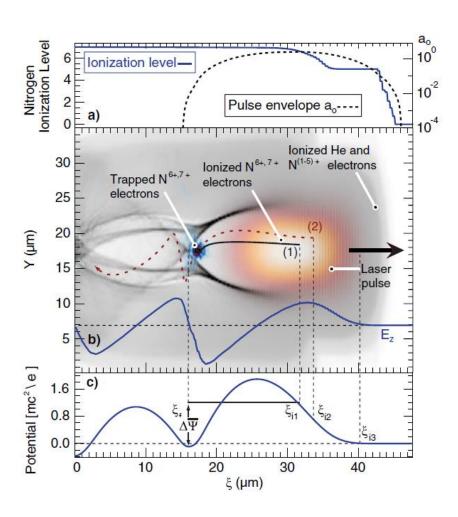
The wakefield generated by a short pulse laser is very similar to the wave behind a boat





Ionization injection

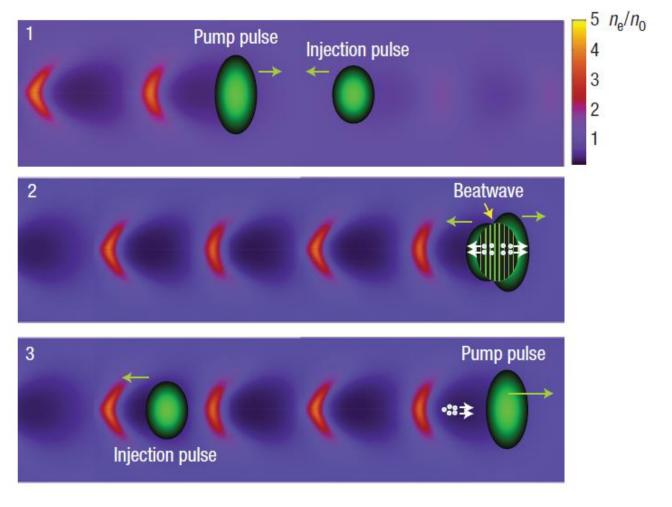




- Large relative energy spread
- Energy required to trap electrons is reduced so that electron beams with large charge can be produced in a moderate laser energy

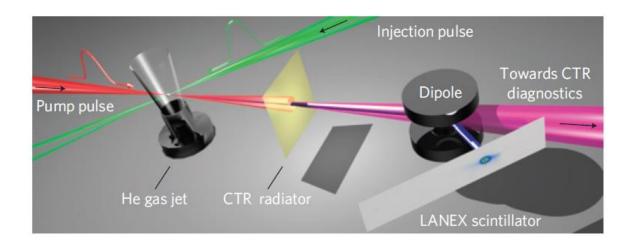
Colliding laser pulses injection

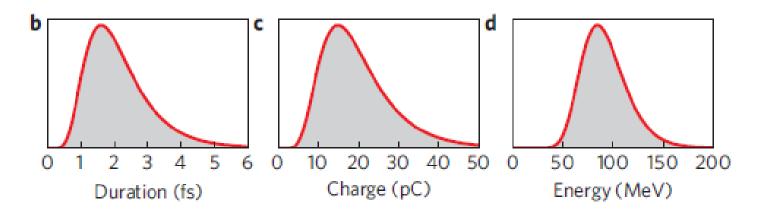




Few femtosecond, few kiloampere electron bunch is produced by a laser-plasma accelerator







Plasma medicine

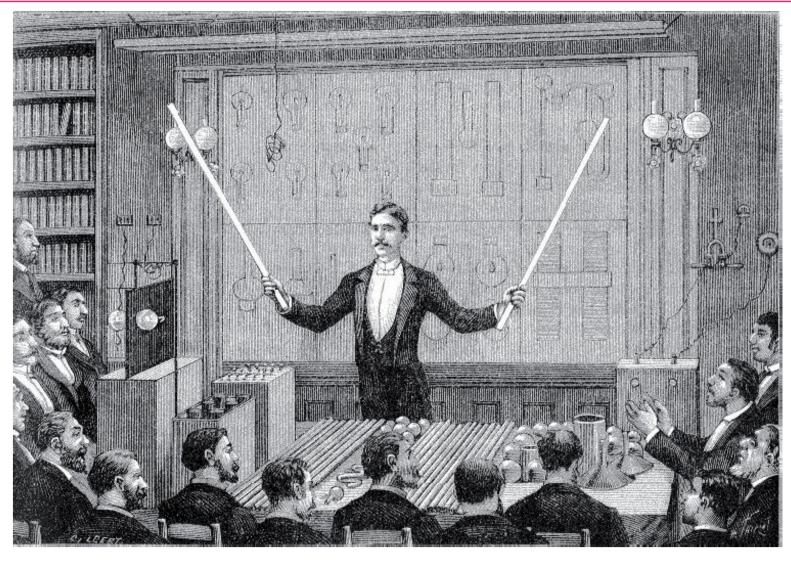


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Nikola Tesla's demonstrations of high frequency currents passing through his body





D. B. Graves, IEEE Transactions on Radiation and Plasma Medical Sciences, 2, 594 (2018)

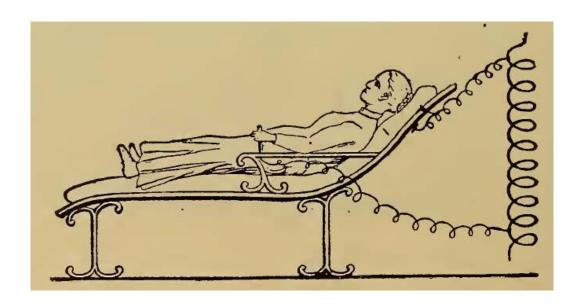
d'Arsonval's device for coupling currents to a body via a large, enclosing induction coil





d'Arsonval's device for coupling currents to a body as part of a large capacitor or condenser



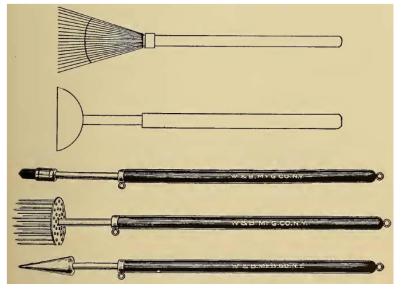


Paul Oudin used spark to cure patient's knee's problems





Effluviation electrodes



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Plasma is characterized by the electron and ion temperatures



- Non-thermal plasma
 - $-T_i \ll T_e$
 - Also called non-equilibrium plasma
- Thermal plasma
 - $-T_i \approx T_e$
- Earlier applications of plasma in medicine thermal effects of plasma

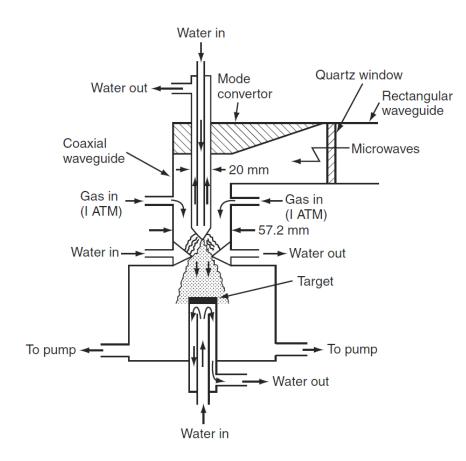
Plasma can provide good surface treatment with low temperature

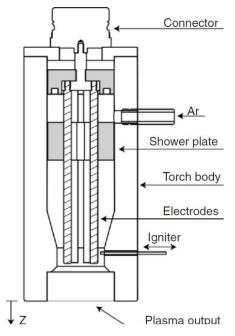


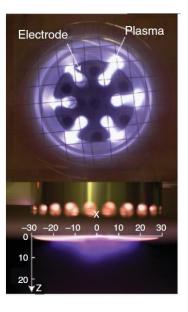
Treatment	Surface treatment level	Depth	Temperature	Cost
Chemical	Large	Deep	Room temperature ~200 °C	Medium
Heat	Only oxidizing	Deep	High temperature	Cheap
Radiation	Small	Whole sample	High temperature	Expensive
Plasma	Large	Surface	Room temperature ~100 °C	Cheap ~ Medium

Microwave plasma torch



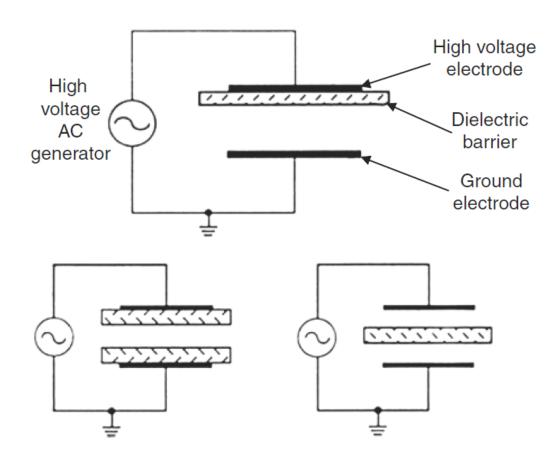


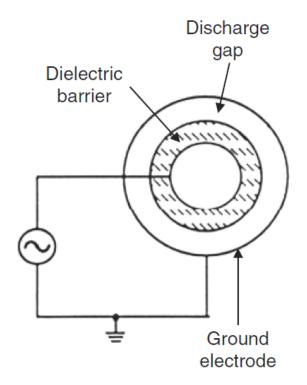




Dielectric-barrier discharges (DBDs)

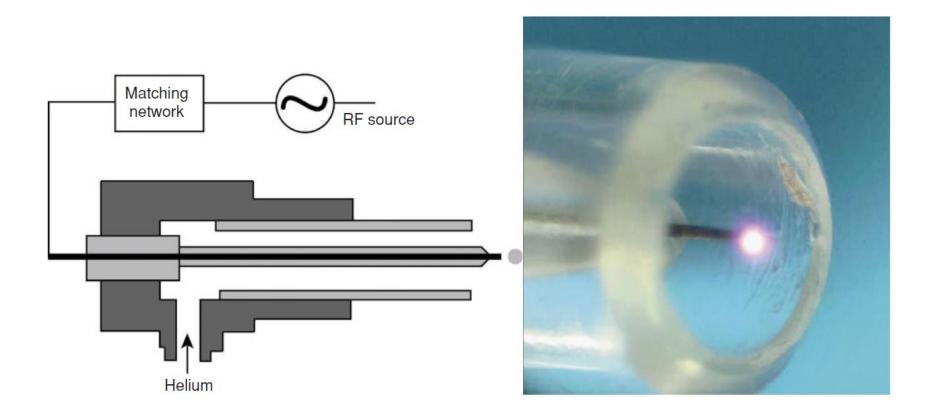






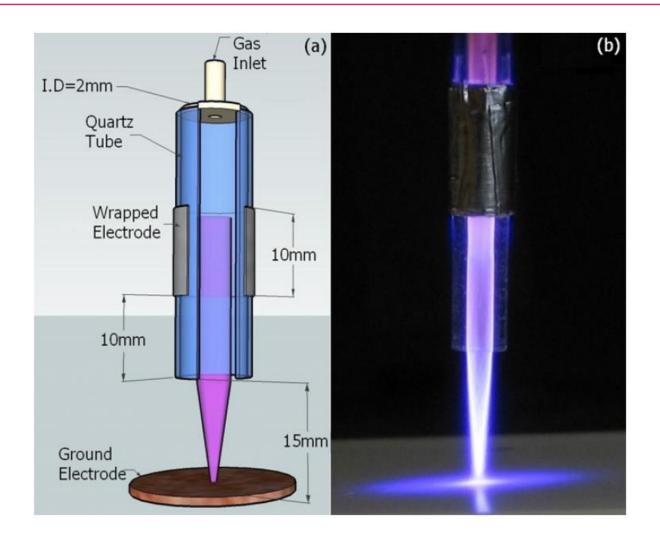
Plasma-needle discharge





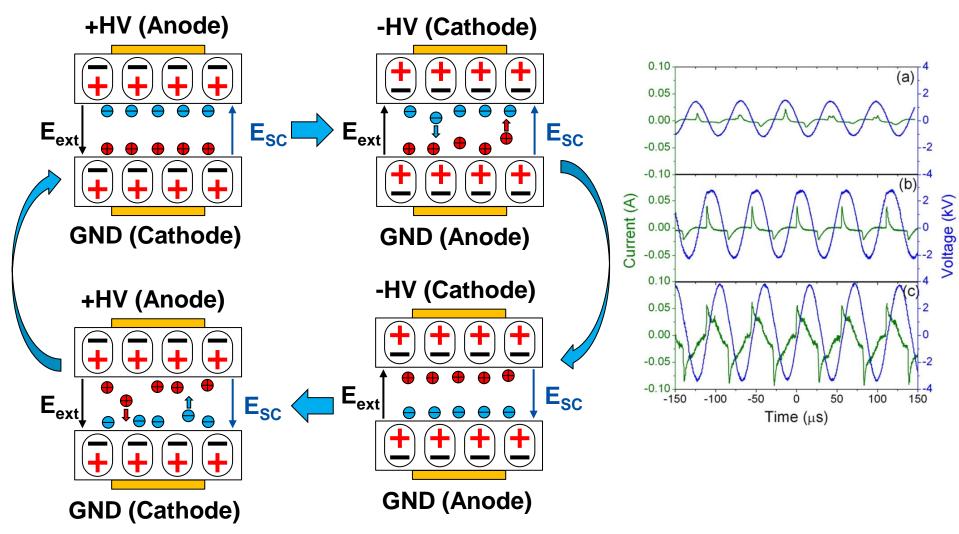
Atmospheric-pressure cold helium microplasma jets





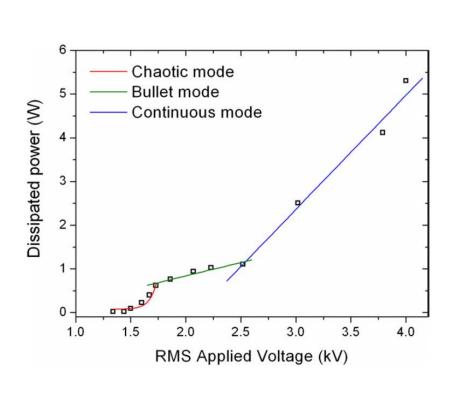
Space charge effect enhance the electric field

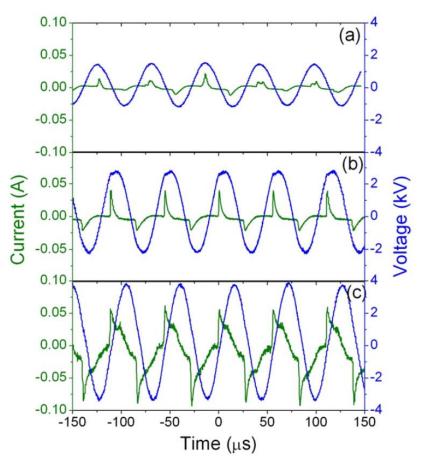




There are three different modes: chaotic, bullet, and continuous mode



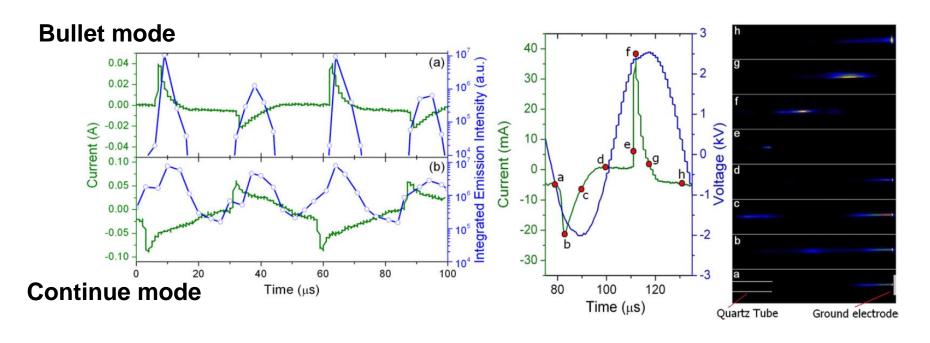




In bullet mode, the plasma jet comes out as a pulse

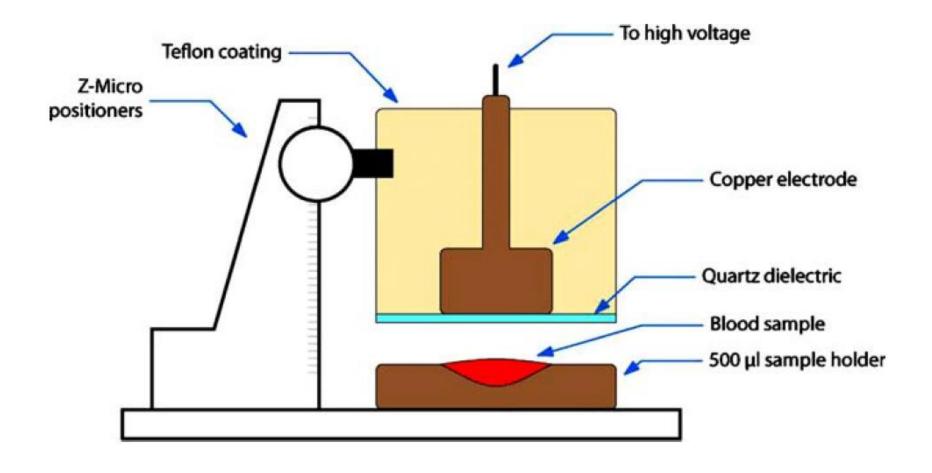


 wavelength-integrated optical emission signal (350–800 nm) Images of bullet mode



Floating-electrode dielectric barrier discharge (FE-DBD)

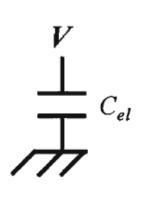


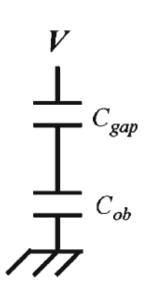


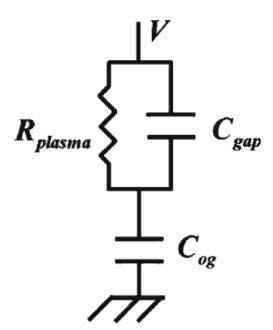
Simplified electrical schematic of FE-DBD



- electrode itself
- electrode near the treated object
- e-plasma discharge



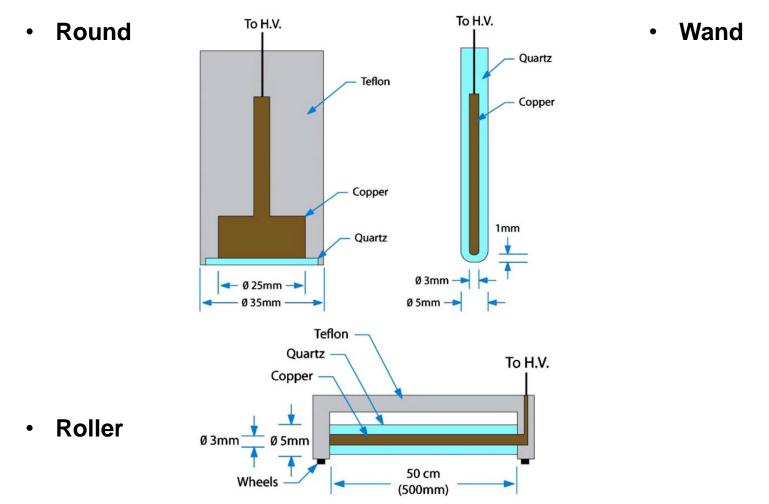




$$C_{\rm ob} >> C_{\rm gap} \Rightarrow V_{\rm ob} << V_{\rm gap}$$

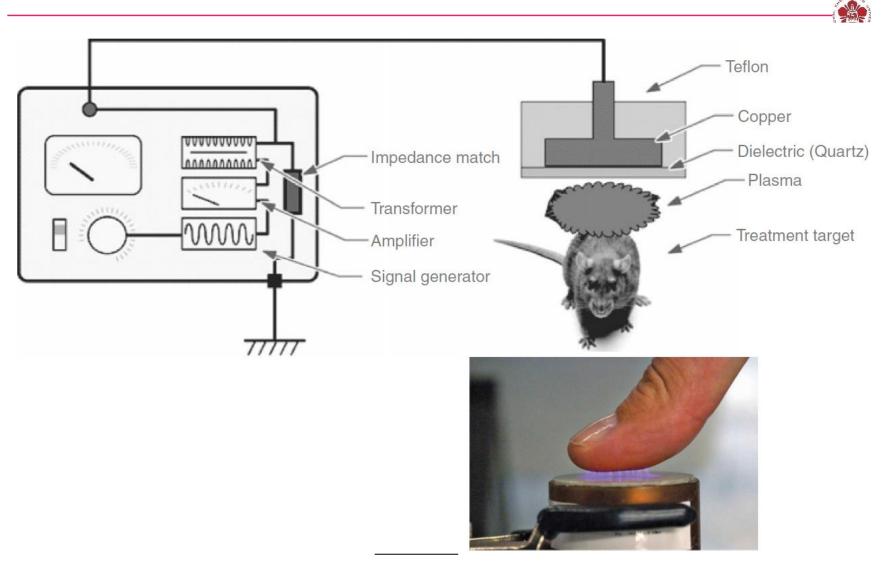
Depending on the needs, the size and the shape of FE-DBD treatment electrodes can vary





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FE-DBD is a direct plasma medicine



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Bacteria concentration reduces after being treated with FE-DBD



Table 1. Bacteria sterilization results (in cfu⋅mL⁻¹).^[26]

Original concentration	5 s of FE-DBD	10 s of FE-DBD	15 s of FE-DBD
10 ⁹	850 ± 183	9 ± 3	4 ± 4
10 ⁸	22 ± 5	5 ± 5	0 ± 0
10 ⁷	6 ± 6	0 ± 0	0 ± 0

 Maximum acceptable dose – the highest dose that doesn't cause a damage on skin

The power of FE-DBD is low enough such that the tissue is not damaged by the plasma



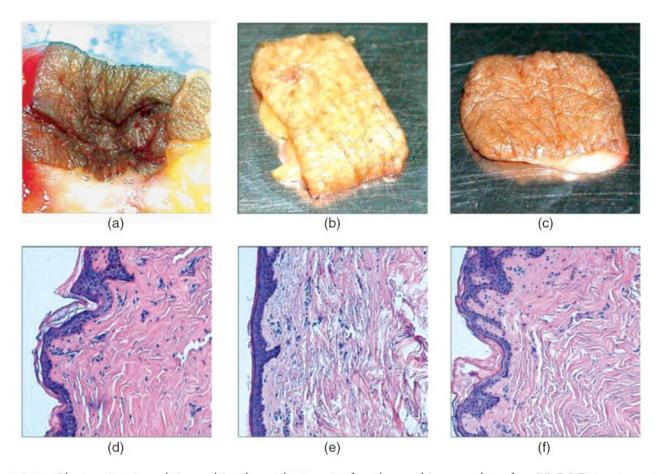
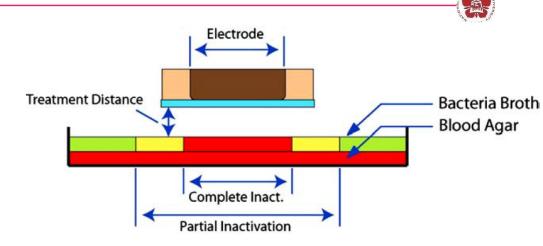


Figure 6.23 Photos (top) and tissue histology (bottom) of cadaver skin samples after FE-DBD treatment: (a, d) control; (b, e) after 15 s of treatment; and (c, f) after 5 min of treatment – no visible damage is detected.

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Bacteria is inactivated by the plasma



- ~1.3x10⁷ cfu/cm² (10⁹ cfu/ml) of skin flora
 (CFU: colony-forming unit)
- Treated by FE-DBD plasma for 10 s



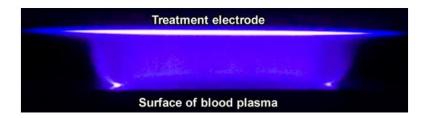
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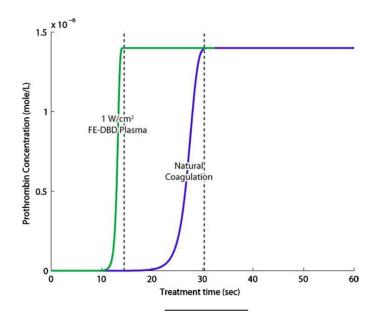
Plasma can stimulate blood coagulation







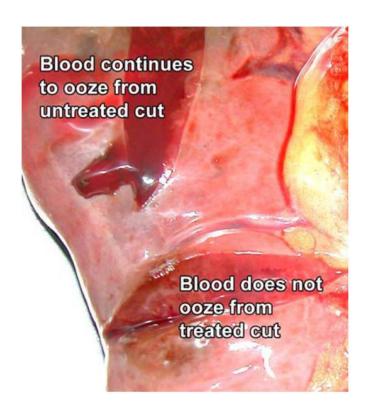




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Example of blood coagulation using plasma







Saphenous vein is a major blood vessel for a mouse

(a)



If left untreated following a cut animal will bleed out (control)

(b)

15 seconds at 0.8 Watt/cm² stops the bleeding completely right after treatment

(c)

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Nitrogen oxide (NO) serves a multitude of essential biological functions



- Blood coagulation
- Immune system
- Early apoptosis (細胞凋亡)
- Neural communication and memory
- Relaxation of flat bronchial (支氣管) and gastrointestinal muscles (胃腸肌肉)
- Hormonal (激素) and sex functions
- Anti-microbial (抗微生物) and anti-tumor (抗腫瘤) defense
- Play an important role in tumor growth, immunodeficiency (免疫缺陷), cardiovascular (心血管), liver (肝), gastrointestinal tract (胃腸道) disease

NO treatment of wound pathologies









(10 seances)



21st day of NO-therapy

After 2 months of NO-therapy

- Decrease in the trophic ulcer (營養性潰瘍) area:
 - Traditional treatment methods: 0.7% per day
 - NO treatment methods: **1.7% per day**

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Before treatment



After 4.5 months of NO-therapy (3 courses; 12 seances per course)

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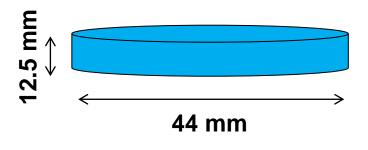
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Non-thermal plasma treatment of melanoma skin cancer

(黑色素瘤皮膚癌)



- Melanoma cancer cell line (ATCC A2-58) was used
- ~1.5x10⁶ per dish



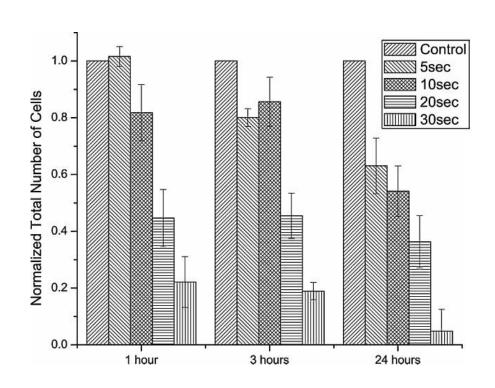
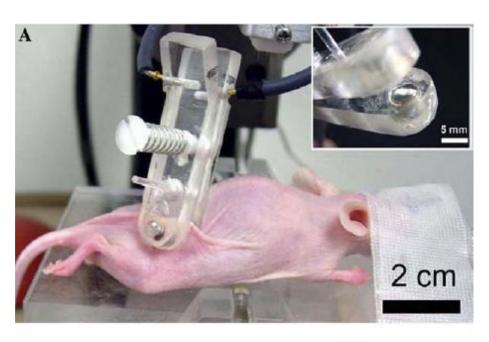
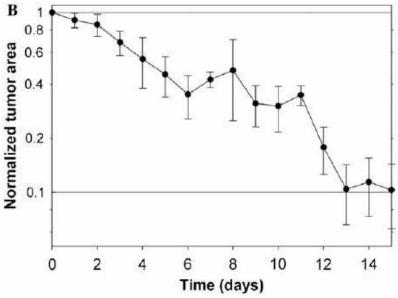


Figure 22. Results of FE-DBD treatment of melanoma cancer cells: Control, 5, 10, 20, and 30 s, counted 1, 3, and 24 h post-treatment. [27]

SKH-1 hairless mouse is treated with parallel plate electrode under isoflurane inhalation anesthesia

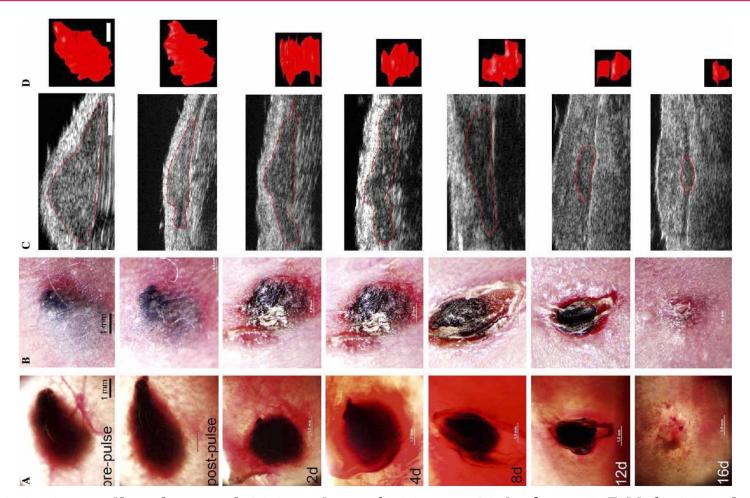






Melanoma shrinks after the treatment



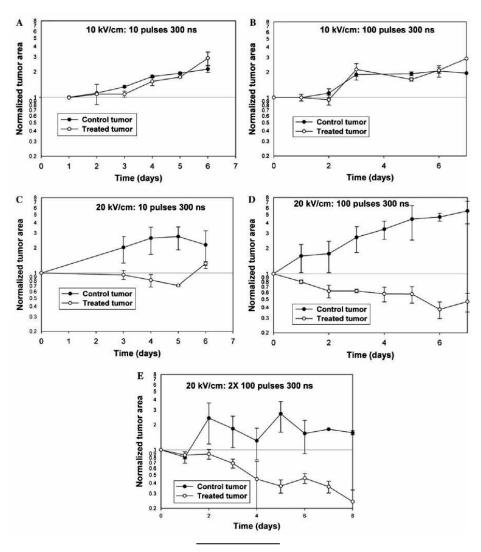


- Day 0-3: 3 applications of 100 pulses (300 ns, 40 kv/cm, 0.5 Hz), 30 min apart
- Day 4: single application using 5 mm diameter parallel plate electrode

 Biochem Biophys Res Commun. 2006 May 5; 343(2): 351–360.

Electric field of 20 kV/cm is needed to treat Melanoma





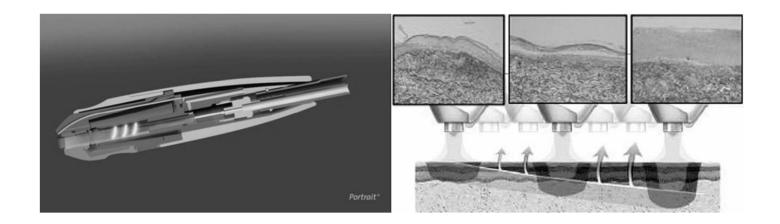
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Plasma skin regeneration (PSR) is a novel skin treatment device

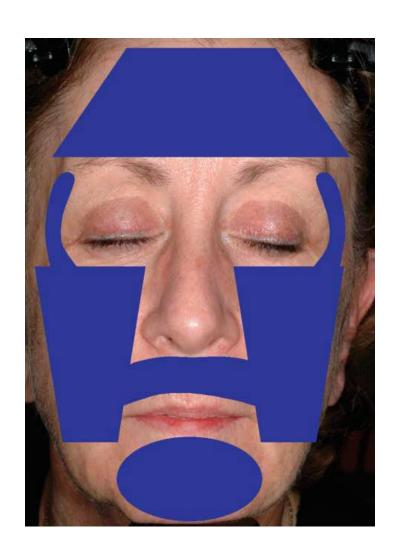




- PSR provides 1-2 J or 3-4 J per pulse for lower or higher power, respectively
- The skin is damaged slightly by the nitrogen plasma jet
- Skin regeneration is stimulated
- Local anesthetic (麻藥) is required and a systemic anesthetic, administered orally is recommended
- Ablative-like effect, similar to that of laser skin resurfacing can also be achieved, but with higher doses

Zones of the face and associated treatment energy settings







This particular patient-rated improvement in overall skin rejuvenation was 85%





 Patients reported minimal discomfort following the procedure and reported over 60% improvement in their skin condition

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Atmospheric-Pressure Plasma sterilization 99.9999% bacteria on surfaces of eggs





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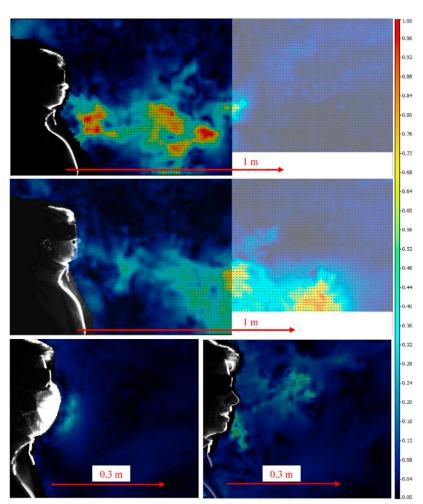
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A face mask do restrict the air flow from the mouth and the nose





Coughing over one breath w/o mask.

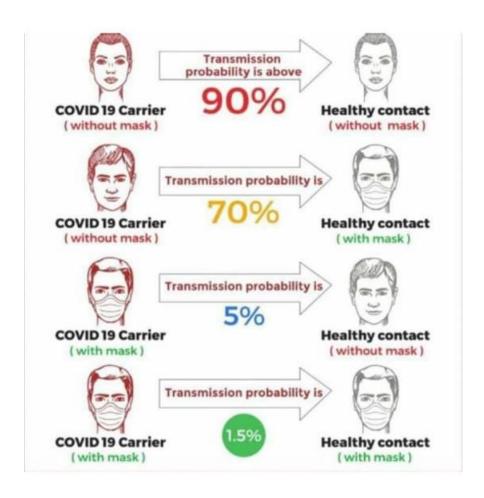
Coughing over a longer periods of time w/o mask.

Coughing over one breath w/ mask.

Talking w/o mask.

Wearing face mask can reduce the Covid-19 transmission probability significantly





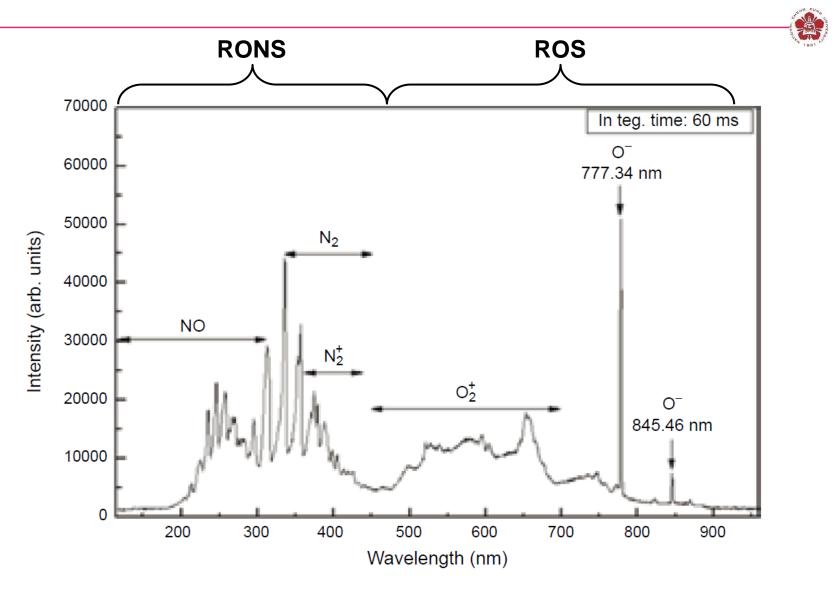
Plasma can provide good surface treatment with low temperature



Treatment	Surface treatment level	Depth	Temperature	Cost
Chemical	Large	Deep	Room temperature ~200 °C	Medium
Heat	Only oxidizing	Deep	High temperature	Cheap
Radiation	Small	Whole sample	High temperature	Expensive
Plasma	Large	Surface	Room temperature ~100 °C	Cheap ~ Medium

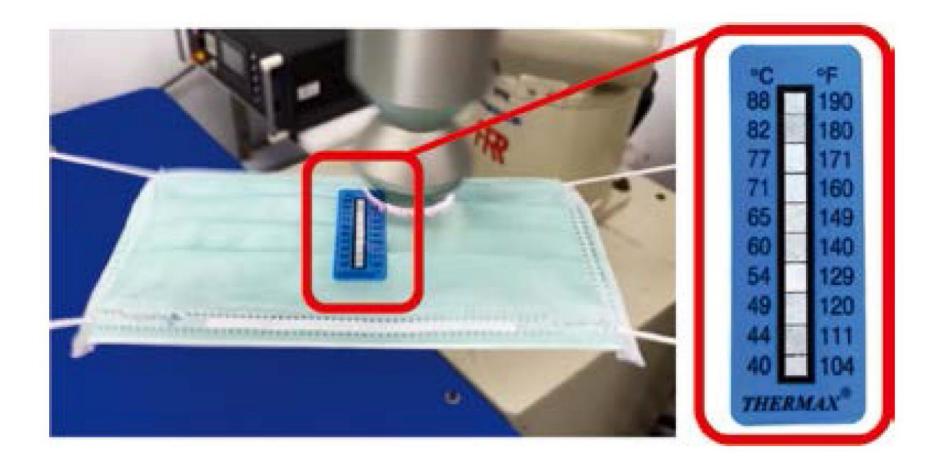
 Atmospheric plasma can generate radicals, ozone, reactive oxygen/nitrogen/NH (ROS · RONS), UV light, electrons, charged particles.

Plasma can generate ROS and RONS



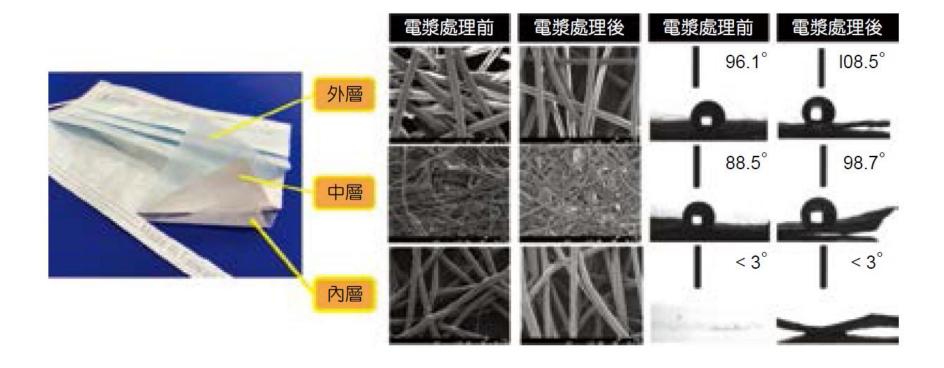
The temperature of the mask under plasma treamtment is below 40 °C





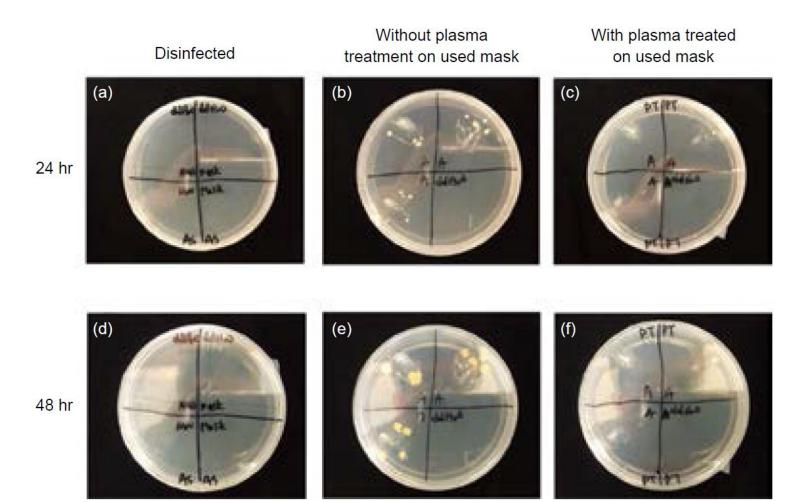
The surface quality of the face mask was not influenced by the plasma treament





The growth of the bacteria on the face mask was suppressed

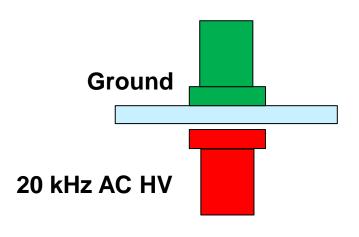




DBD plasma demonstration



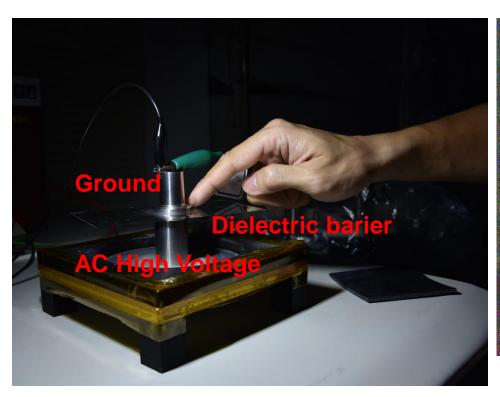


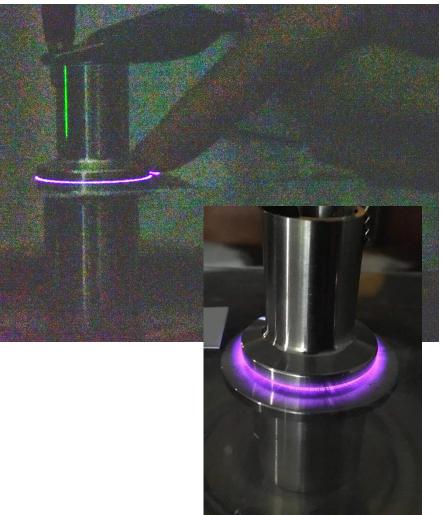


Show video.

DBD plasma can be generated between the finger and the dielectric layer







Examples of magnetron sputtering deposition







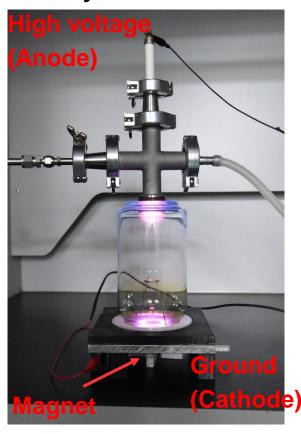
Rotatable Manipulator Sample Stage Substrate Thickness Monitor Thin Layer **Gas Shower** Head . Gauge Cathode Shielding Magnetron DC/RF Power Magnetron Cathode

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Demonstration experiments – magnetron sputtering



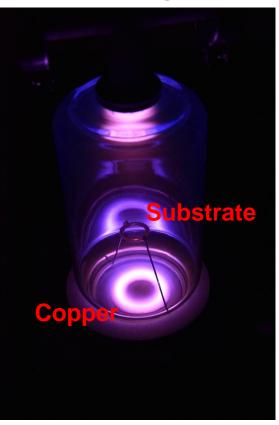
System



Without magnet

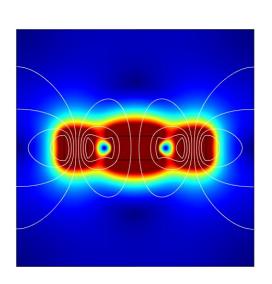


With magnet



A bright ring occurs when the magnet is inserted into the system



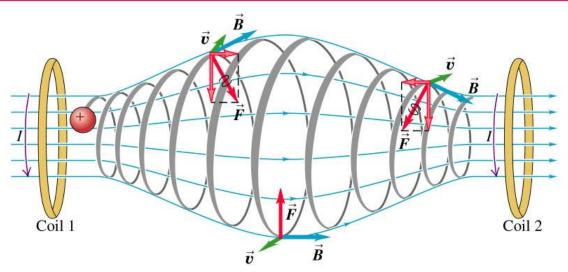


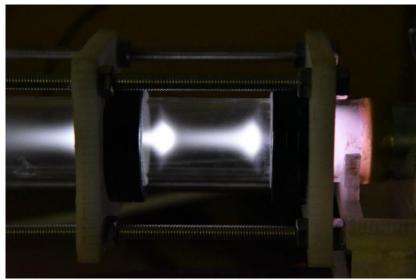


Confined electrons

Demonstration of a magnetic mirror machine



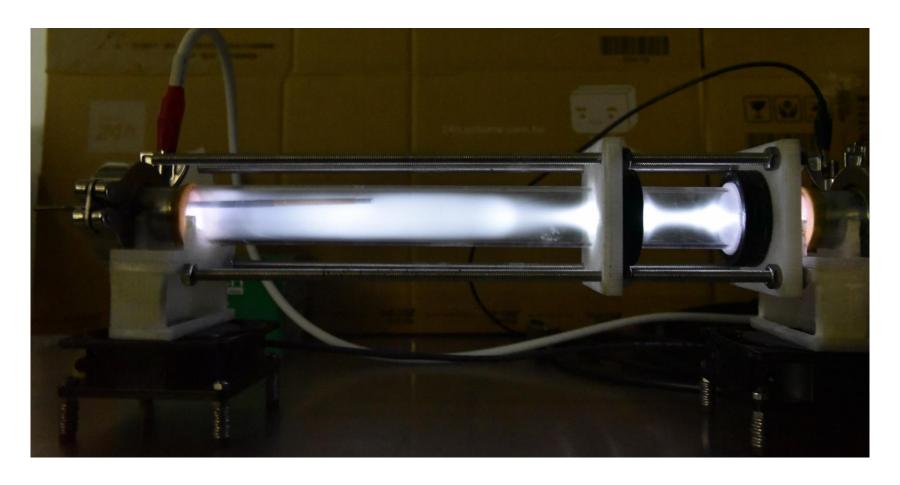




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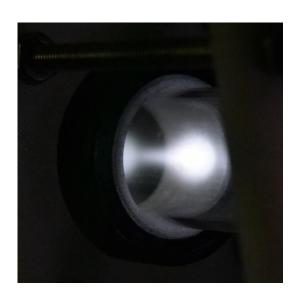
Plasma is partially confined by the magnetic field

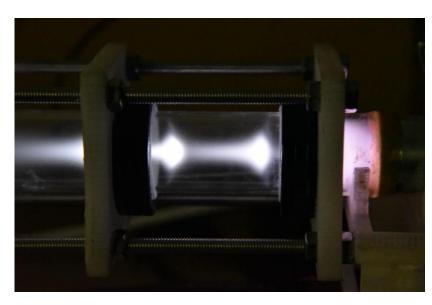


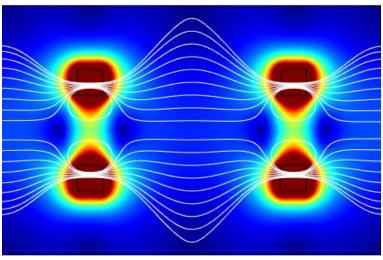


Many mirror points are provided by a pair of ring-type magnets



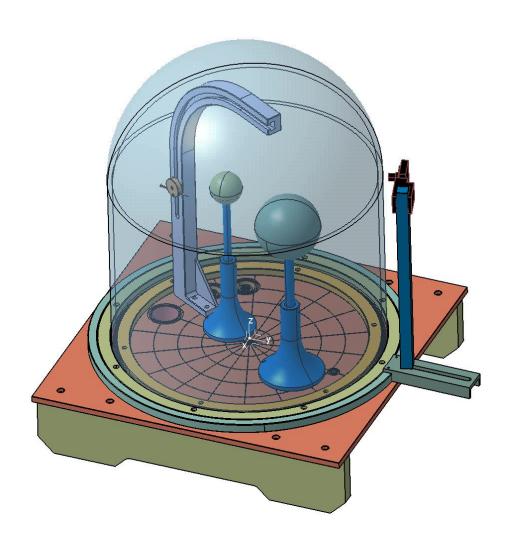






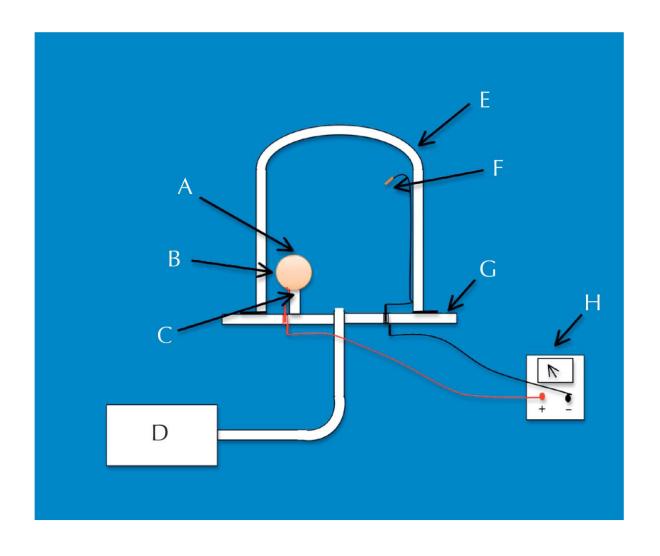
Planeterrella is an aurora simulator





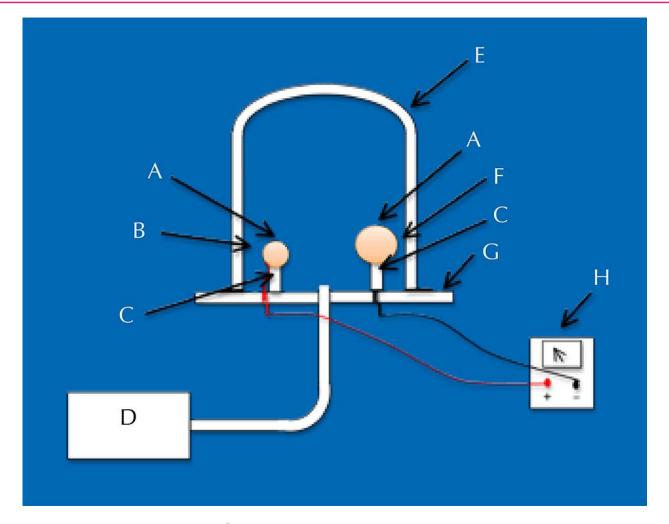
Simple glow discharge is demonstrated





Aurora/ring current are demonstrated





- B w/ magnet: aurora demonstration
- F w/ magnet: ring current

Aurora and ring current are expected to be seen



