

Introduction to plasma theory and demonstration 電漿基礎理論與實作



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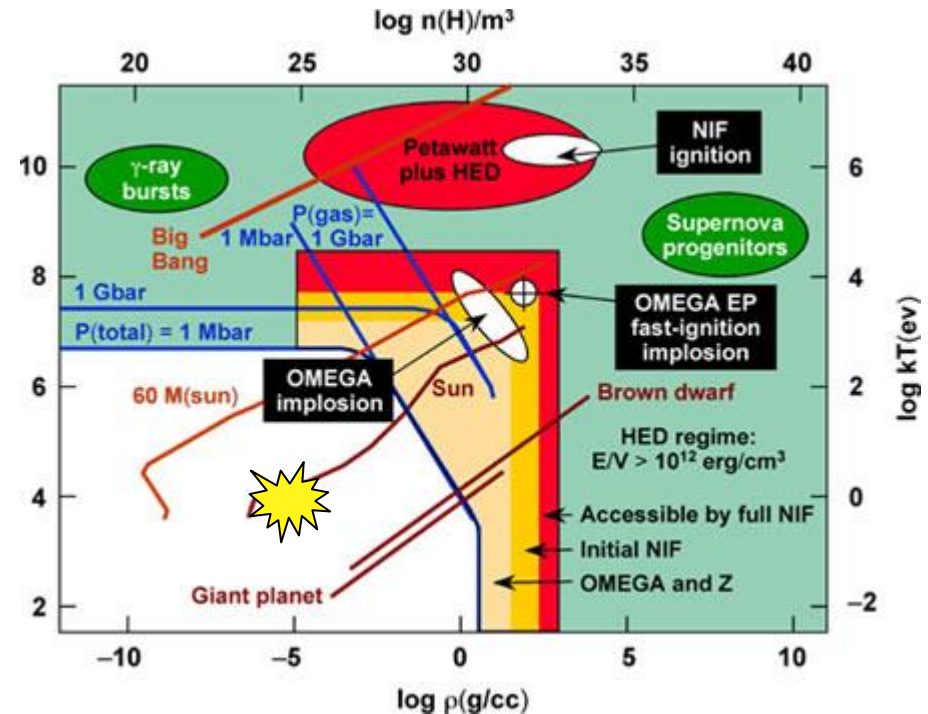
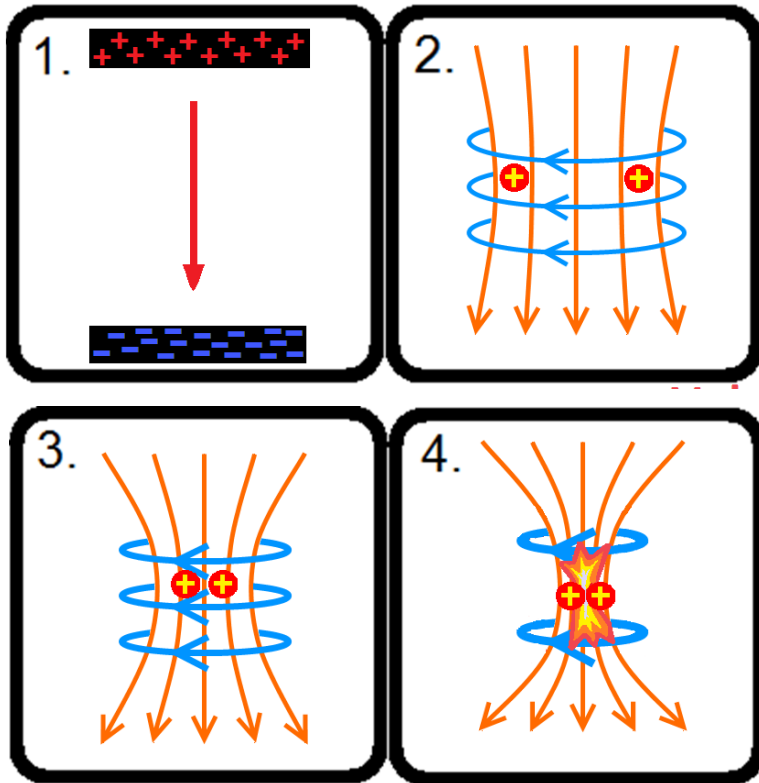
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Outline



- Introduction to nuclear fusion
- Magnetic confinement fusion (MCF)
 - Tokamak
 - Stellarator
- Inertial confinement fusion (ICF)
 - Indirection drive ICF
 - Direct drive ICF
- Innovation idea – MCF + ICF
- **Pulsed-power system at NCKU**

Plasma can be compressed when parallel propagating current occurs



- High energy density plasma (HEDP) regime: $P > 1 \text{ Mbar}$

*[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pinch_\(plasma_physics\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pinch_(plasma_physics))

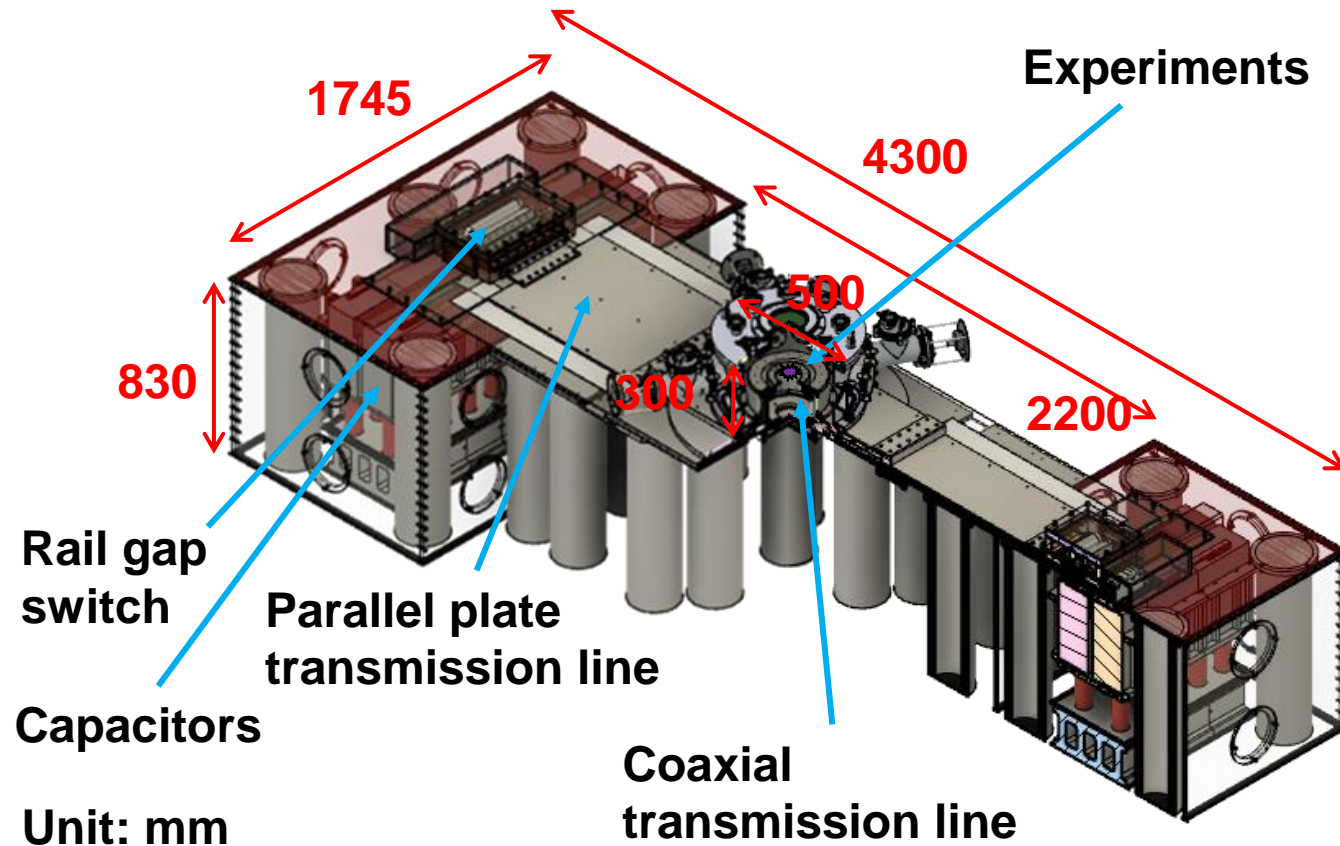
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A pulsed-power system is much cheaper than a laser facility



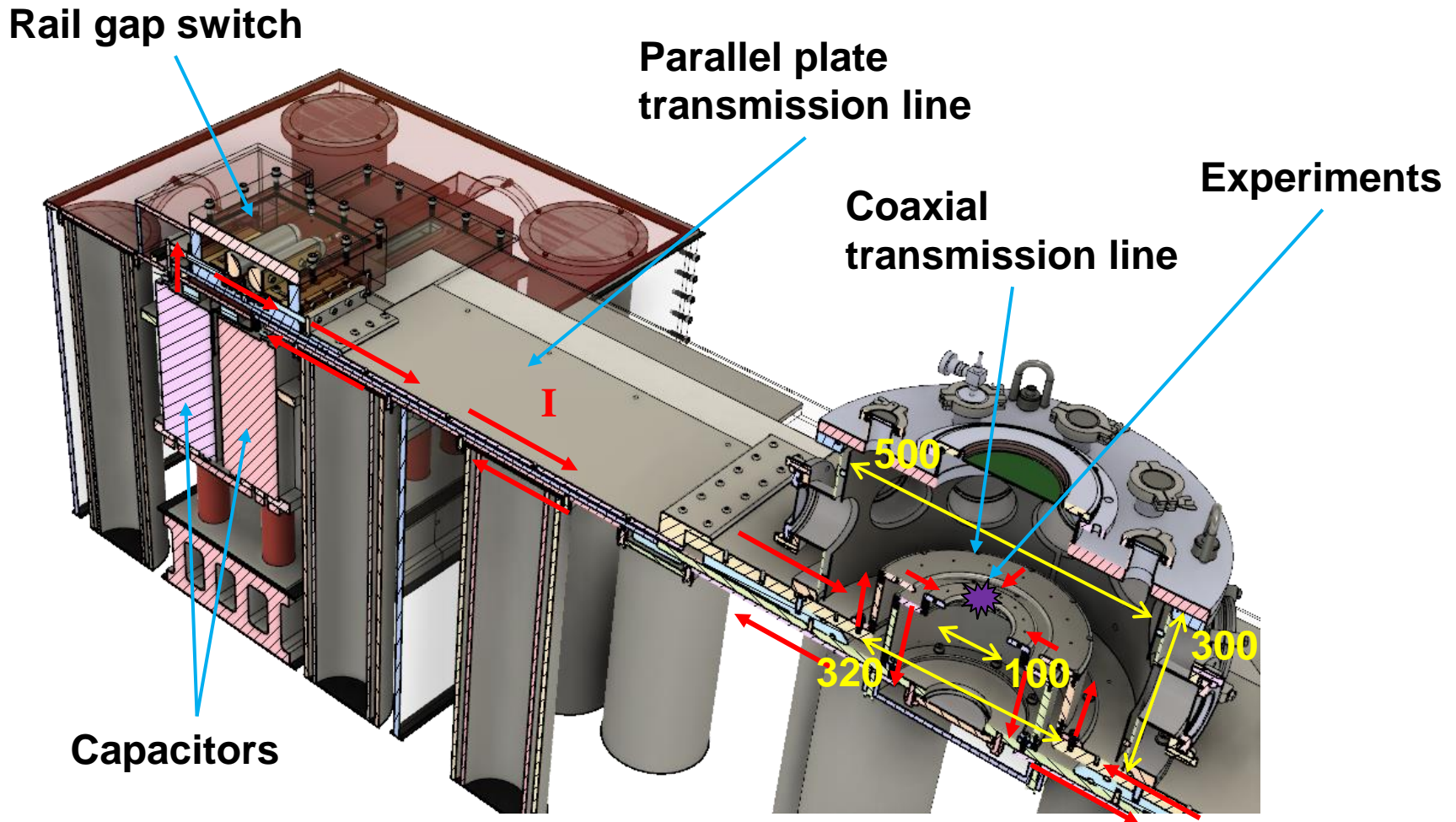
Facility	Budgets (NTD)
OMEGA at University of Rochester	~1.8 billion
National Ignition Facility (NIF) at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL)	~100 billion
Advanced Light Source (ALS) at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory in Berkeley (LBNL)	~3 billion
Taiwan Photon Source (TPS) at National Synchrotron Radiation Research Center (NSRRC)	~7 billion
Pulsed-power system at ISAPS, NCKU	~0.002 billion (<0.1 %)!!!

The pulsed-power system was built by only students



- A 1 kJ pulsed-power system has been built in ISAPS, NCKU in September, 2019.

Experiments will be taken placed at the center of the vacuum chamber

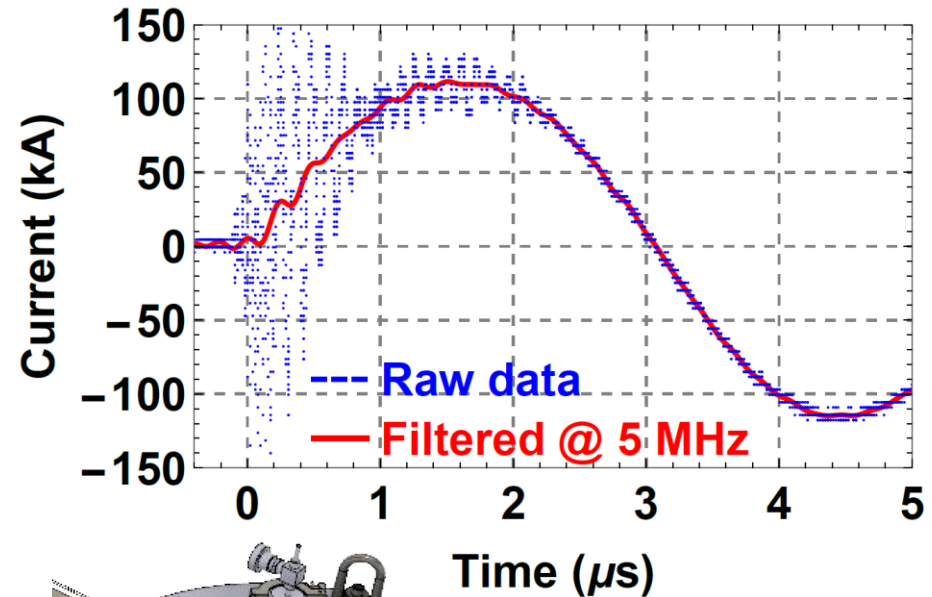


Unit: mm

A peak current of 110 kA with a rise time of 1.5 μs is provided by the pulsed-power system

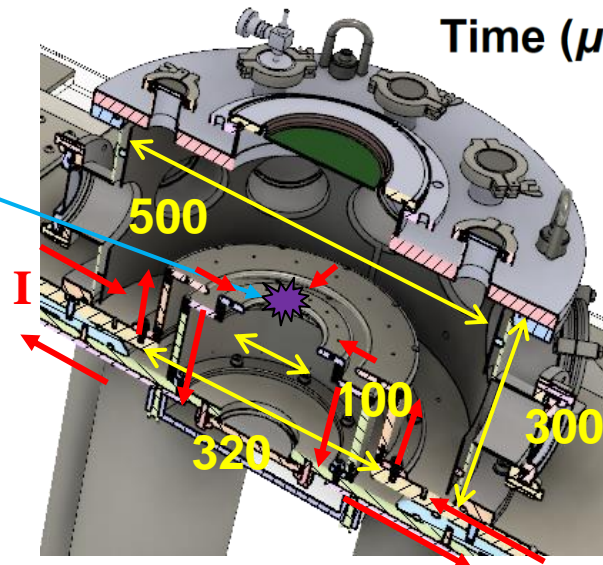


Capacitance (μF)	5
V_{charge} (kV)	20 (50)
Energy (kJ)	1 (6.25)
Inductance (nH)	150 ± 50
Rise time (quarter period, μs)	1.5 ± 0.1
I_{peak} (kA)	110 ± 20 (~275)
Power (GW)	~0.7 (~5)

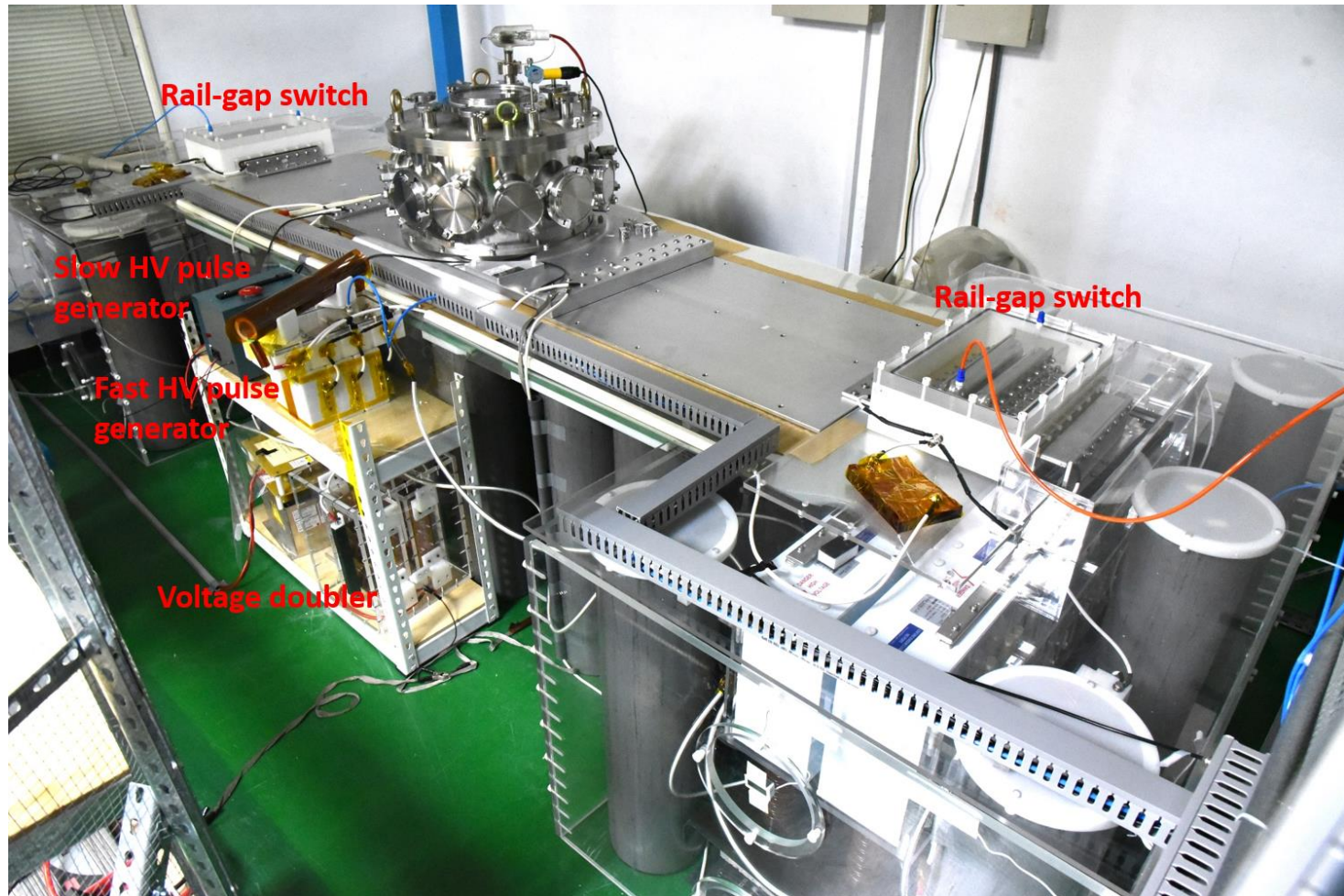


Experiments

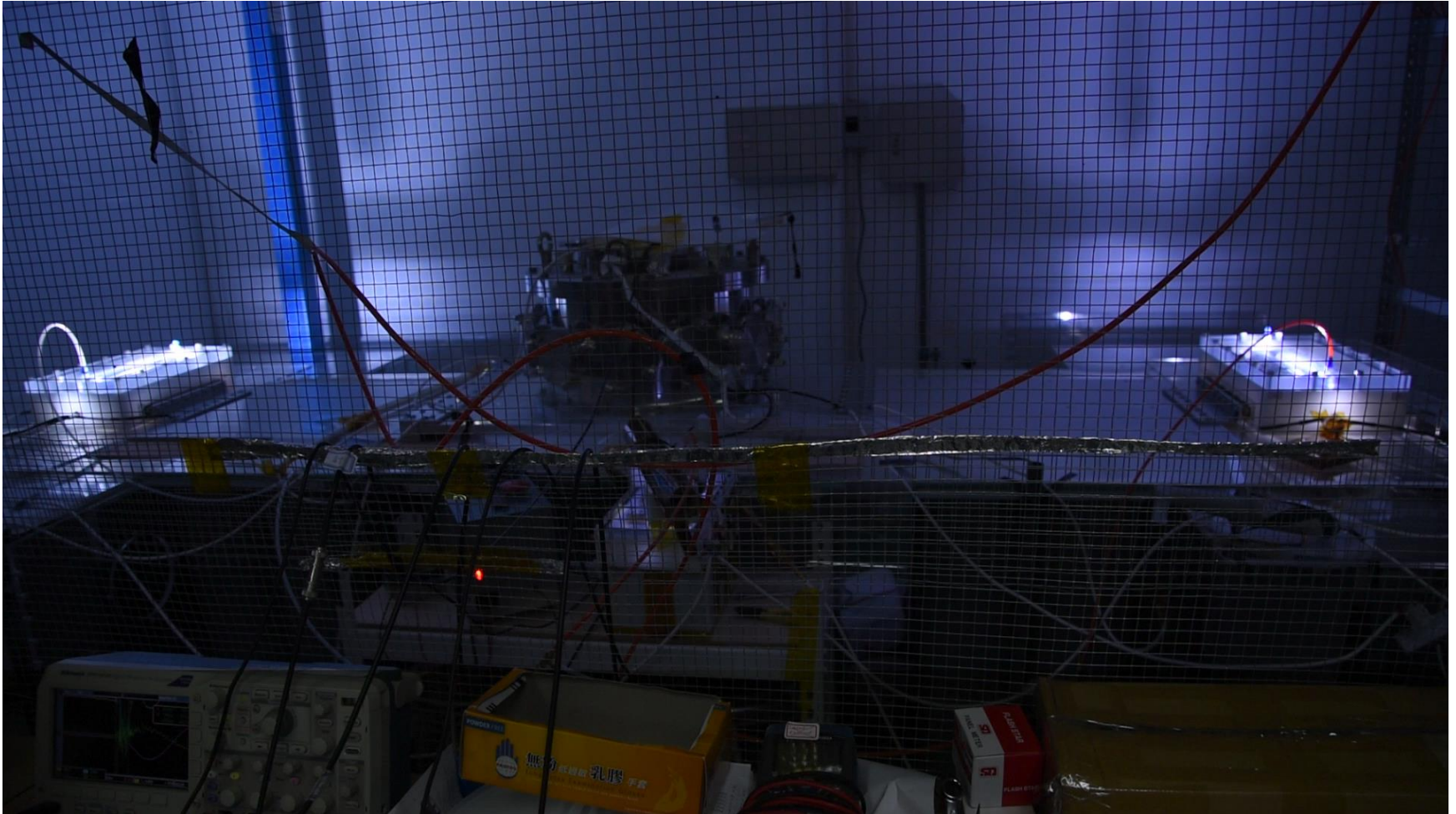
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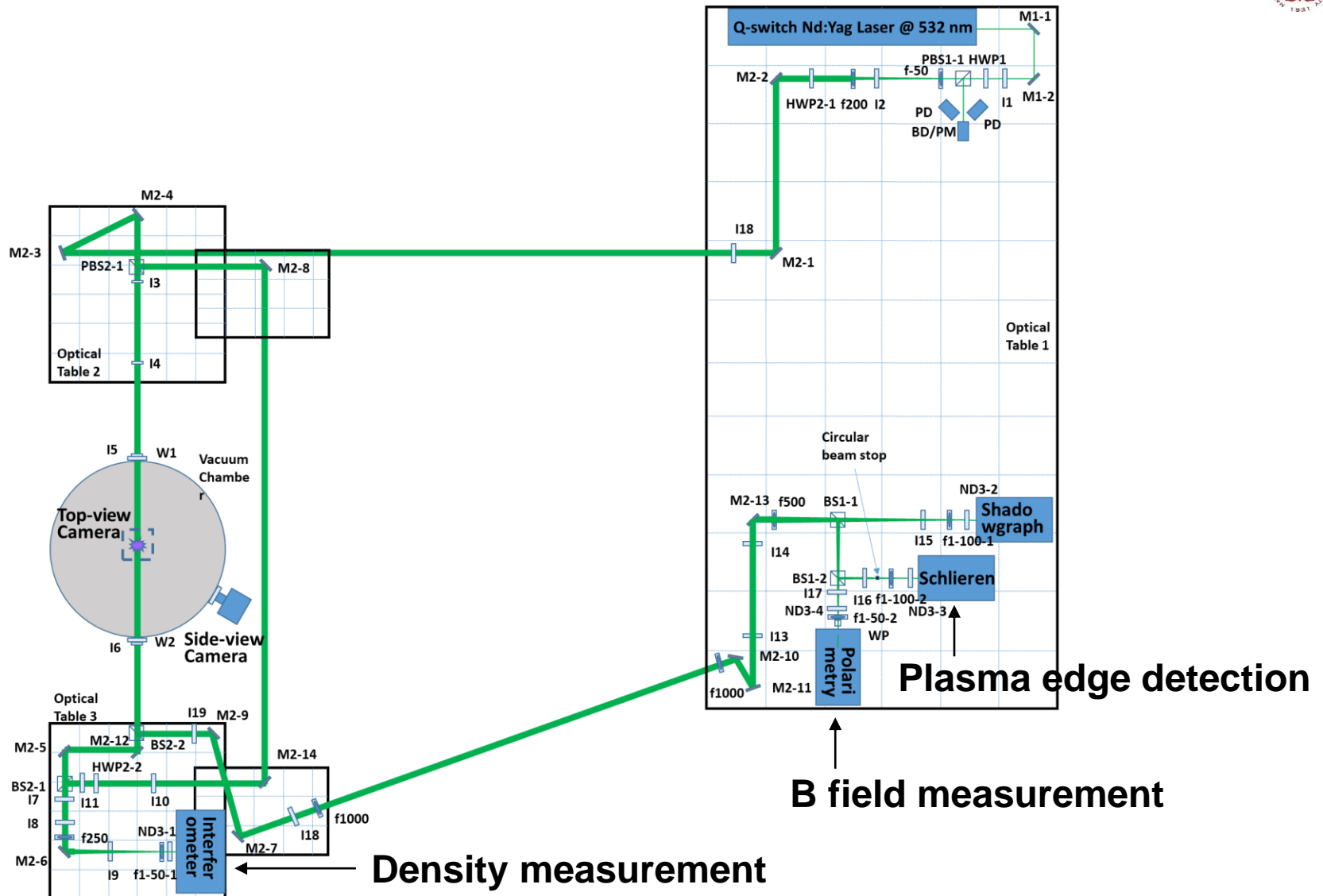
The pulsed-power system has been built



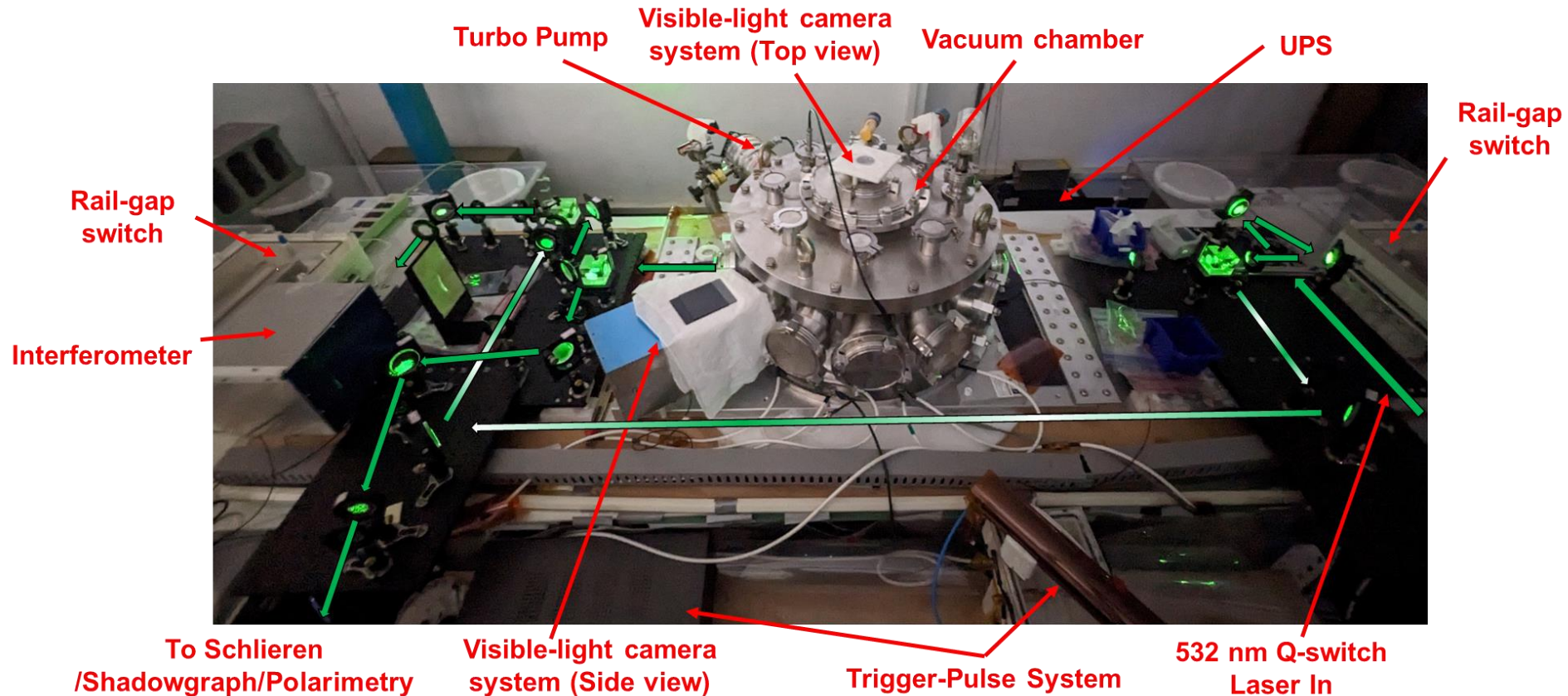
First shot with two synchronized rail-gap switches



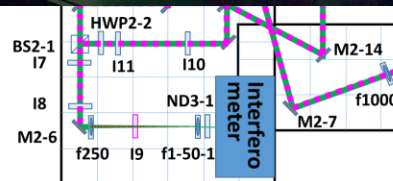
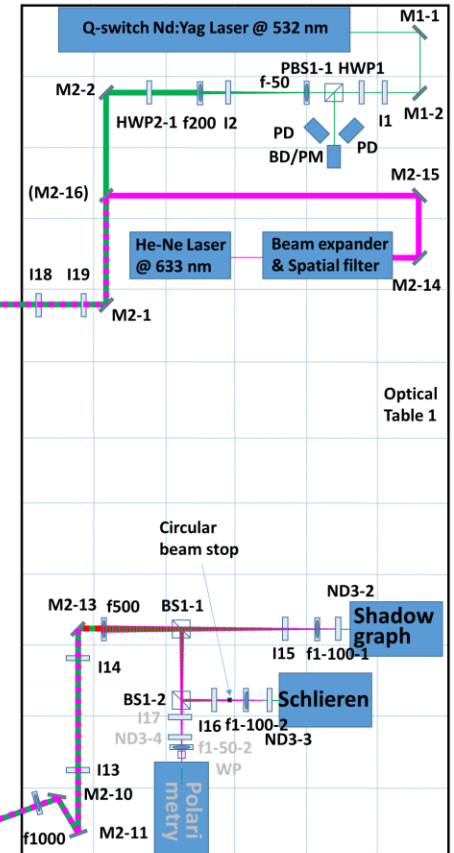
Time-resolved imaging system with temporal resolution in the order of nanoseconds was implemented



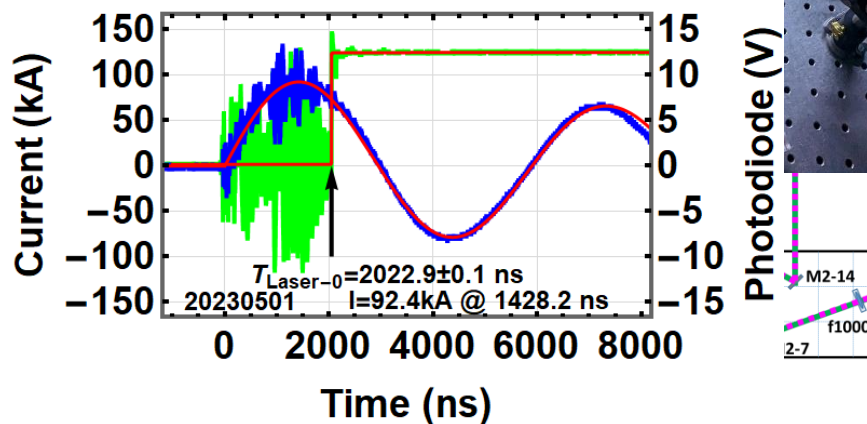
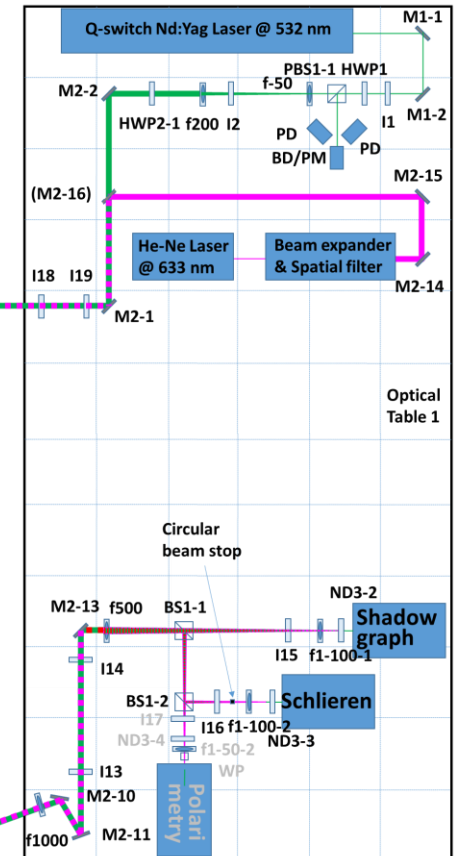
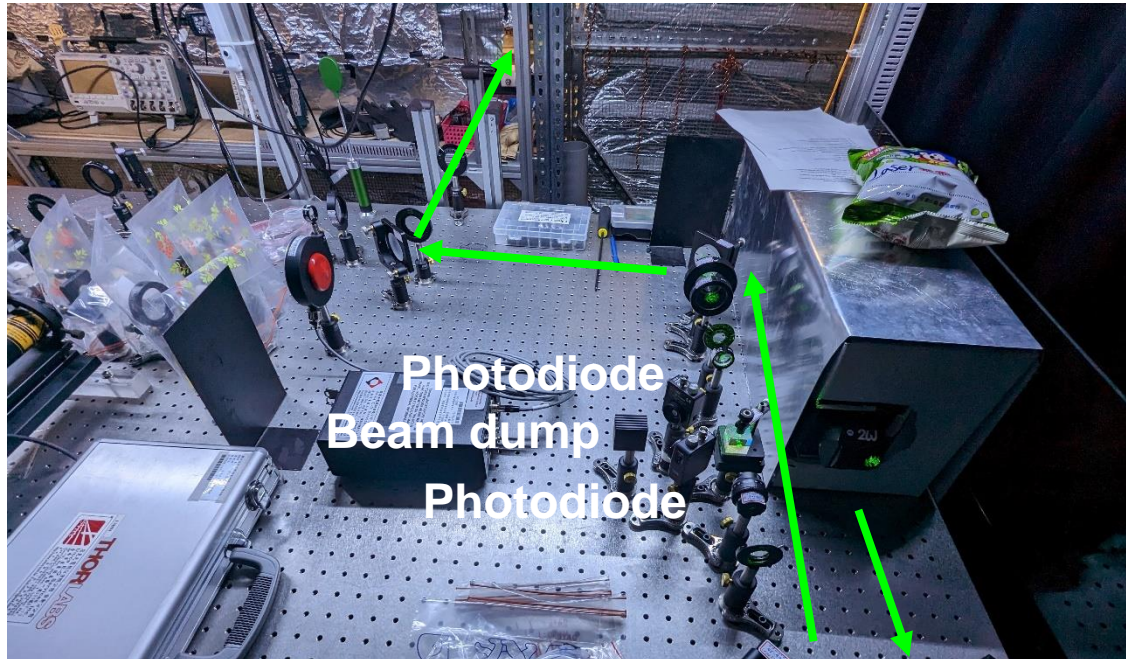
Varies diagnostics were integrated to the system



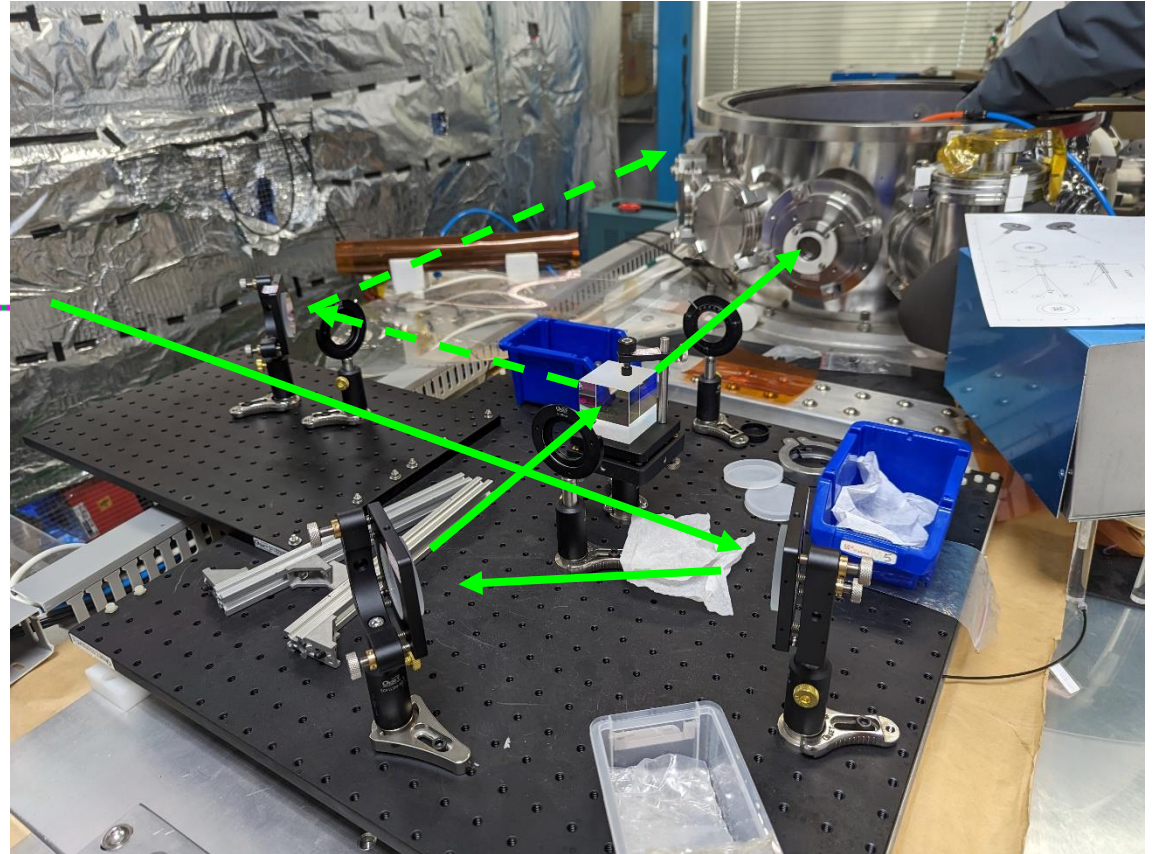
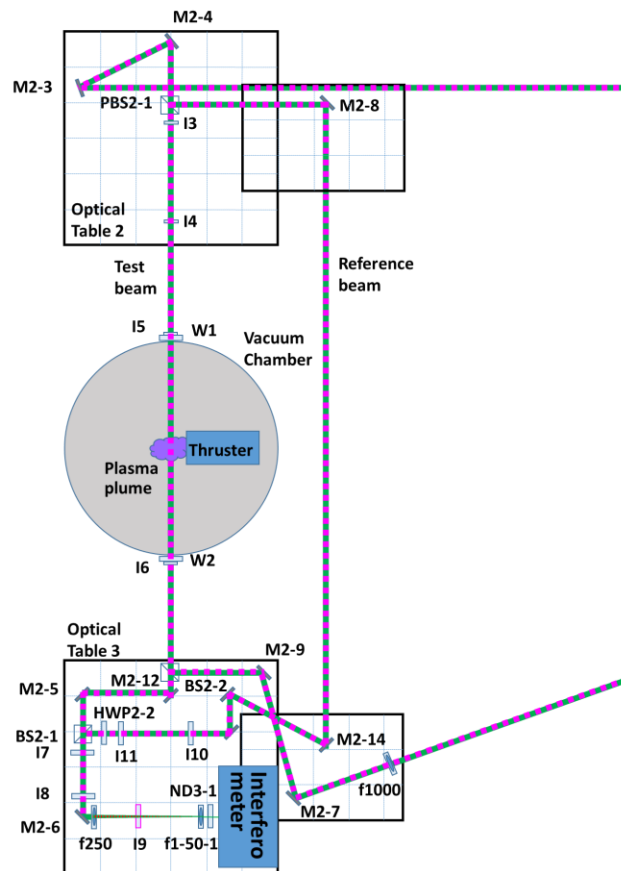
Beam path



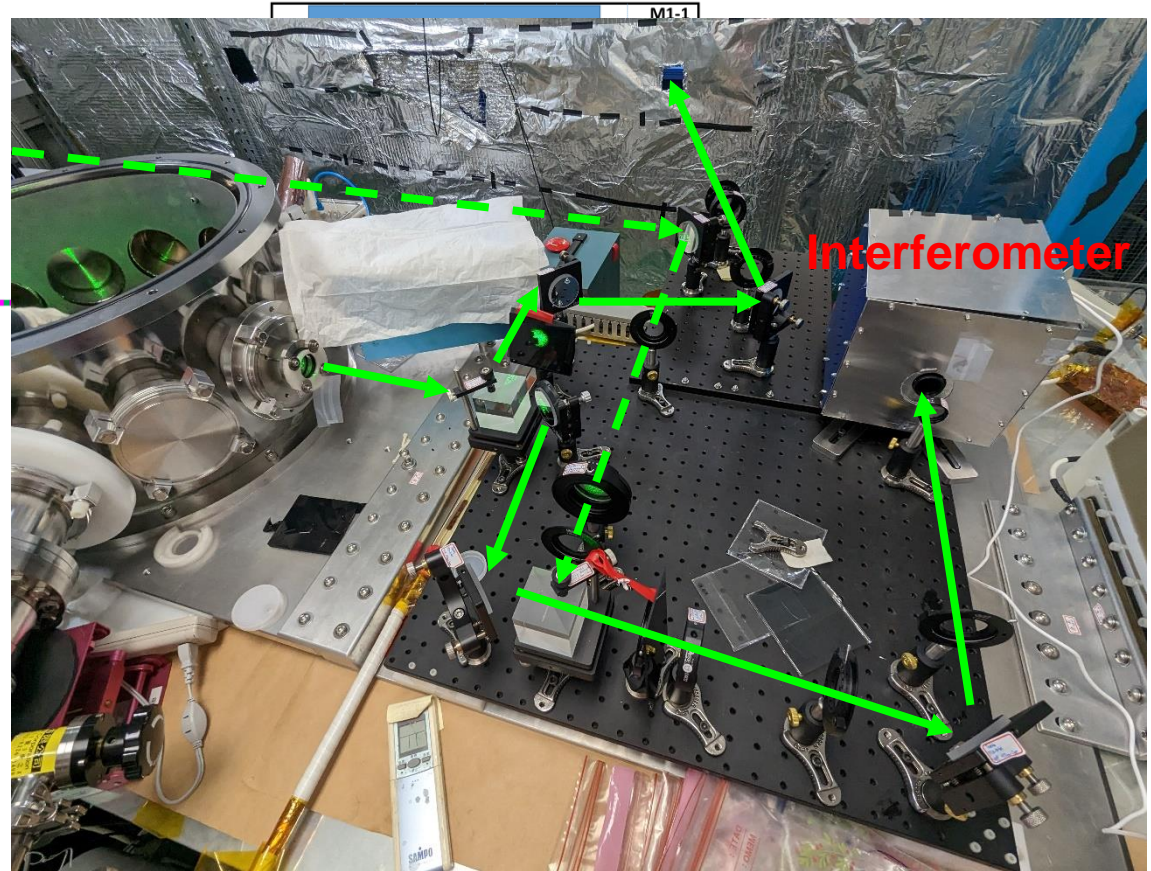
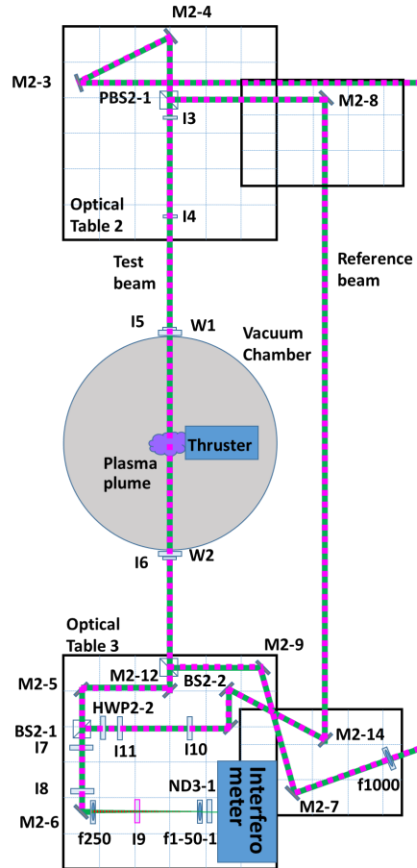
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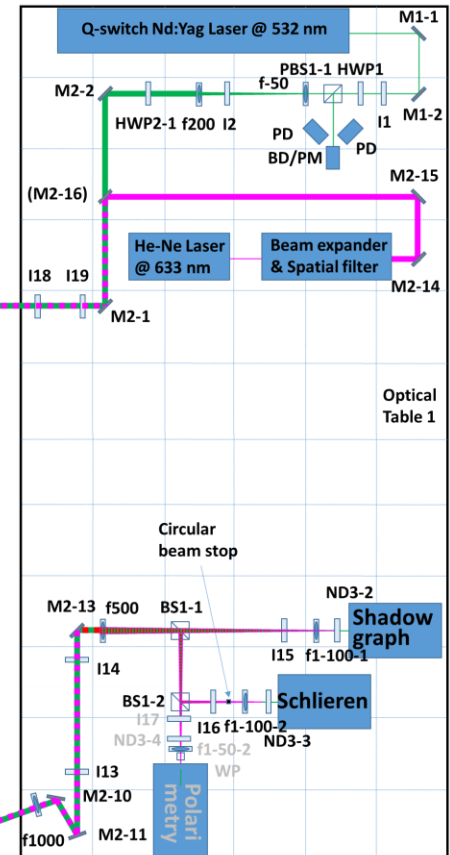
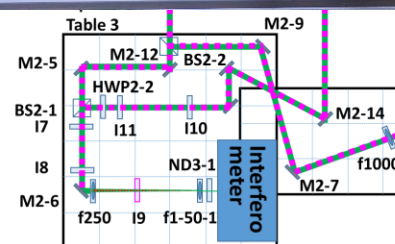
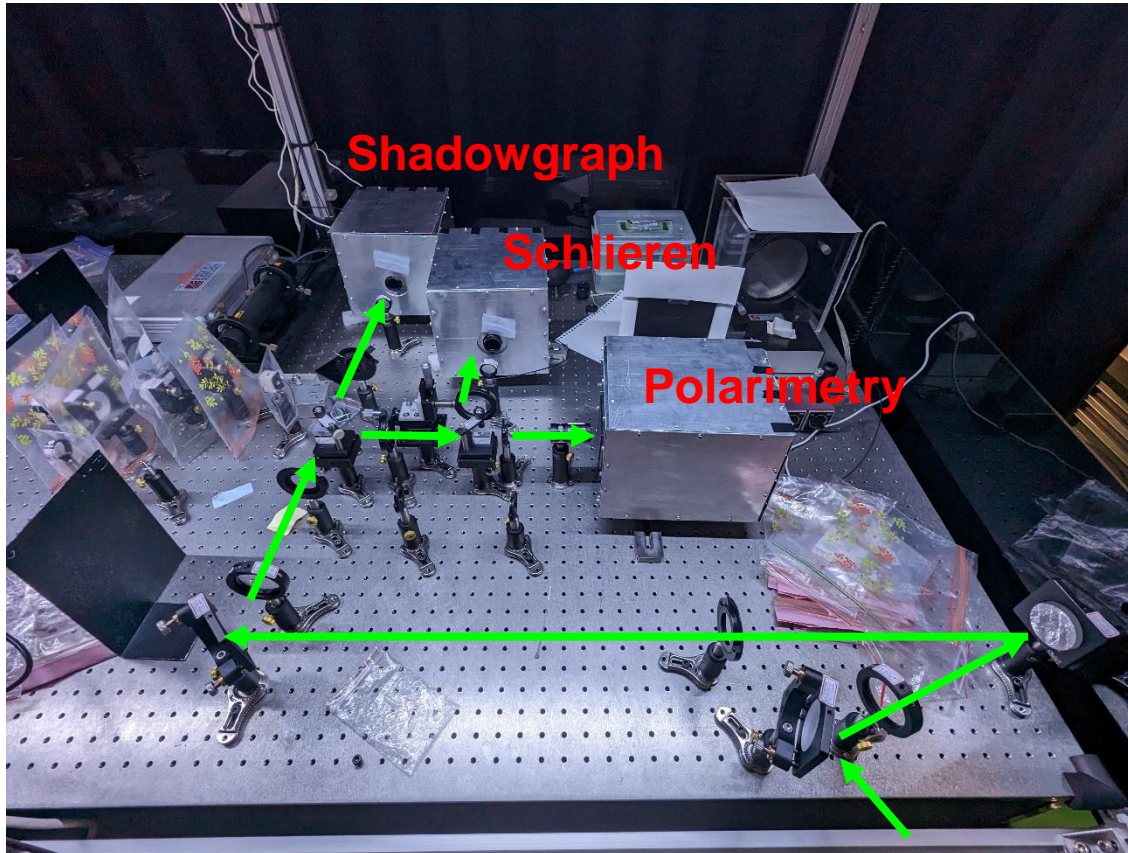
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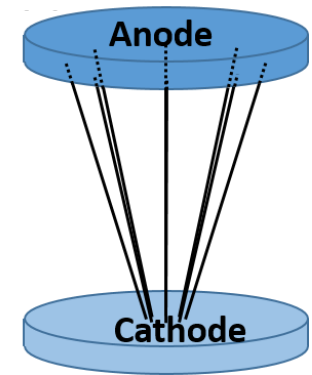
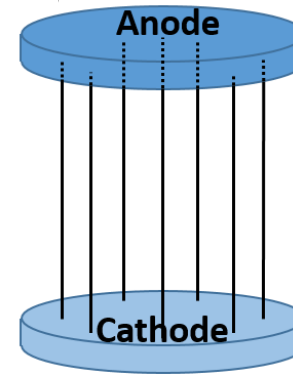
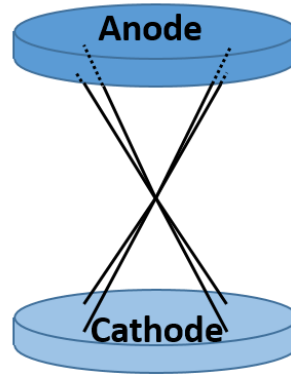
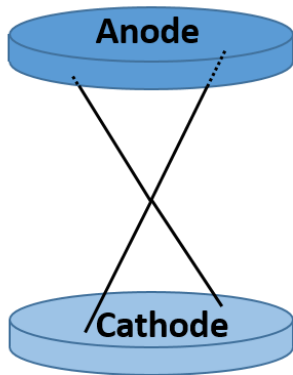
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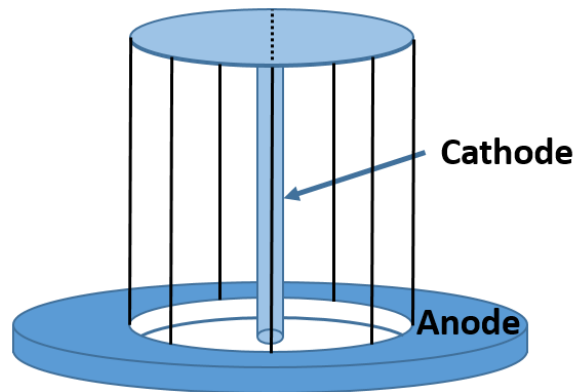
Different wire configurations can be used to generate plasma jets and hard x rays



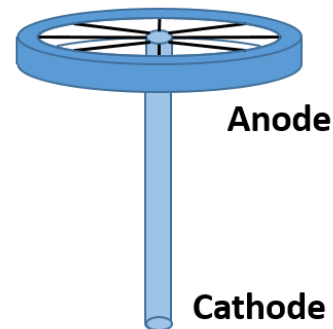
- x pinch
- multi-wires x pinch
- wire array
- conical-wire array



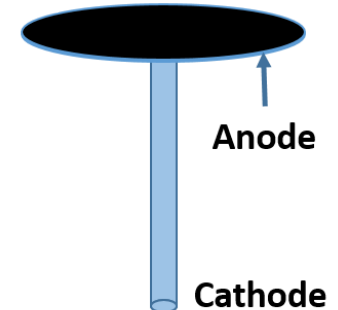
- inverse-wire array



- radial-wire array



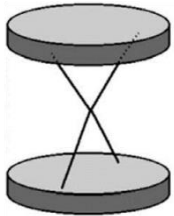
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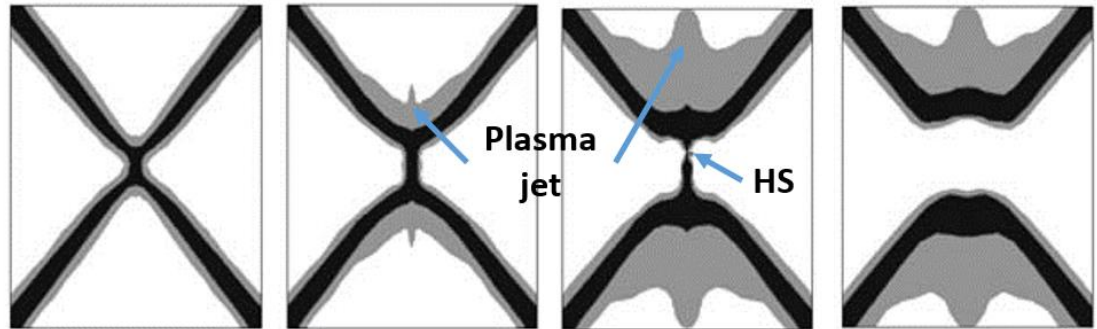
Spatial coherent hard x rays can be generated using x pinches for point-projection x-ray radiography



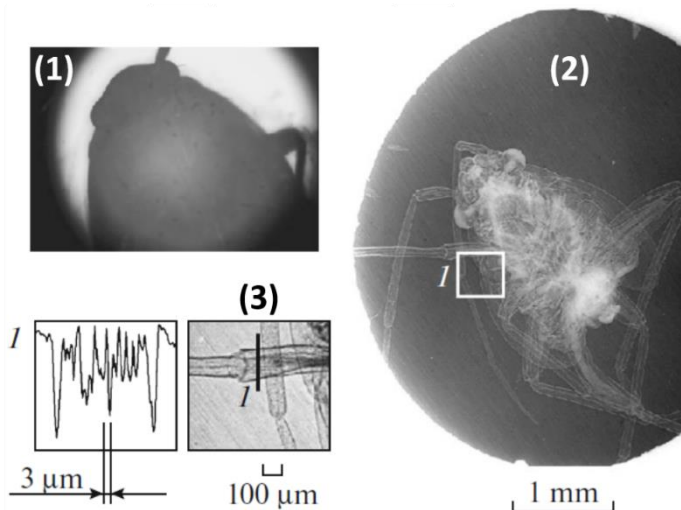
- x pinch



- The process of an exploded x pinch



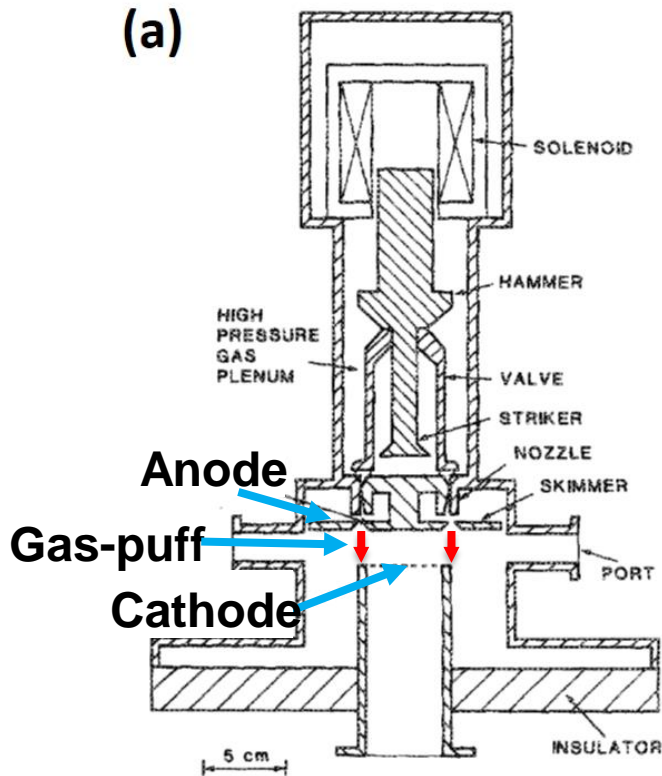
- Point-projection x-ray radiography



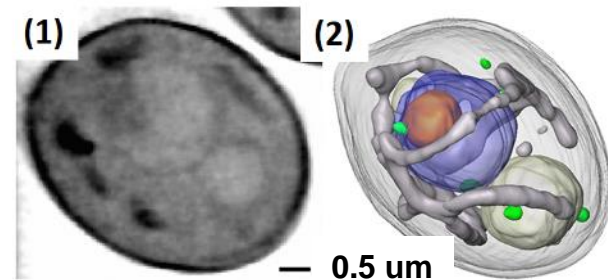
• We are expecting x-ray yields of couple keV, < 1ns, <10 μm, ~5 J in total energy generated in our system.

- * G. V. Ivanenkov *et al.* Plasma Physics Reports 34, 619 (2008)
- * T. A. Shelkovenko *et al.* Plasma Physics Reports 42, 226 (2016)
- * T. A. Shelkovenko *et al.* IEEE Trans. Plasma Sci. 34, 2336 (2006)
- * D. H. Kalantar *et al.* J. Applied Physics 73, 8134 (1993)

Soft x rays for 3-D x-ray tomographic microscopy can be generated using gas-puff z pinches



- Line radiation in the range of 40-15 Å (310-830 eV) with a total energy of 10 J using CO₂ is expected.
- Soft x rays (~520eV) from synchrotron radiation at Advanced Light Source (ALS) is used for 3-D x-ray tomographic microscopy.



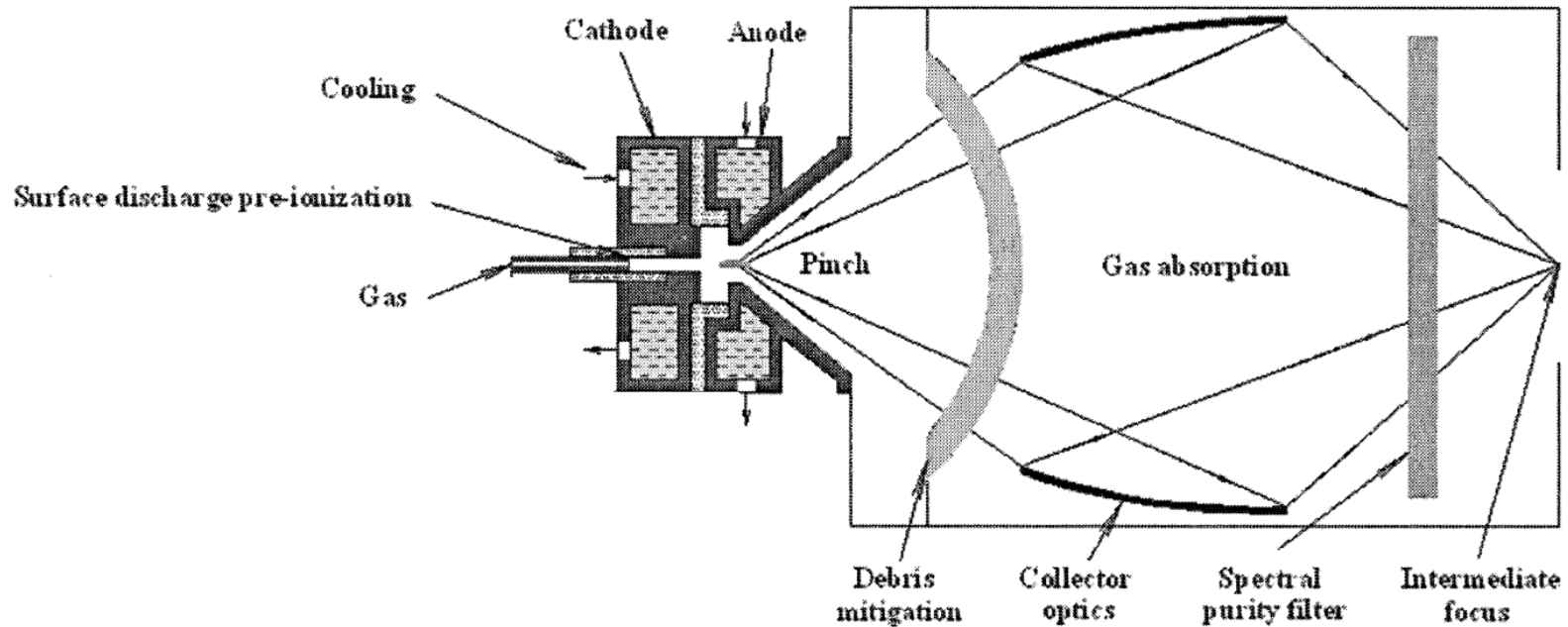
- Single line emission in 41.8 / 32.8 nm is expected using Xenon or Krypton.

*P. Choi *et al.* Rev. Sci. Instru. 57, 2162 (1986)

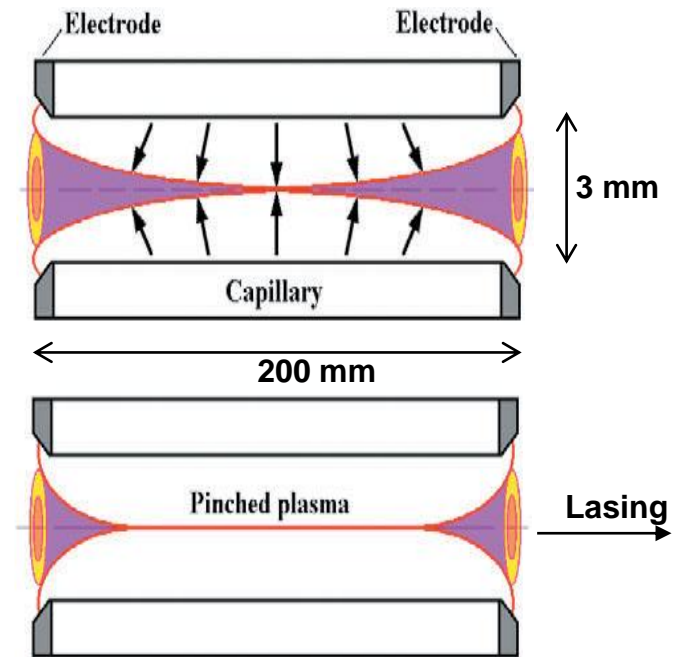
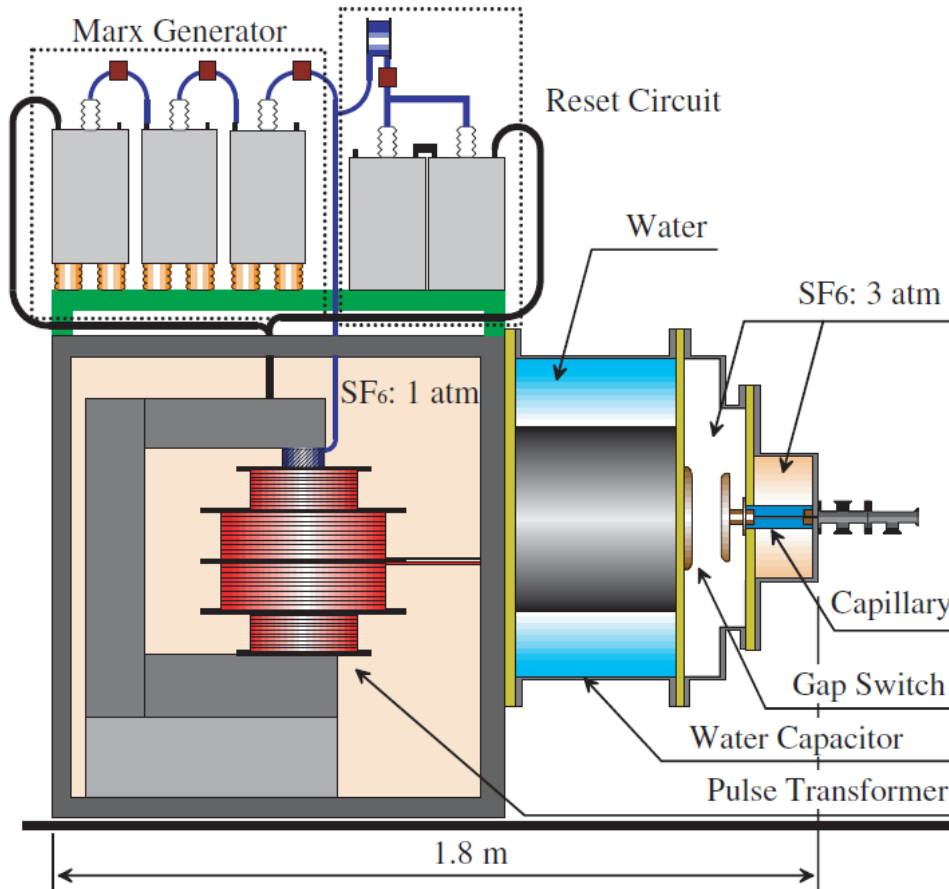
*G. Nave *et al.* J. Appl. Phys. 65, 3385 (1989)

*M. Uchida *et al.* Proc. National Acad. Sci. 106, 19375 (2009)

Discharge produced plasma can generate EUV light for EUV lithography



Soft x-ray laser can be generated using a capillary z-pinch discharge

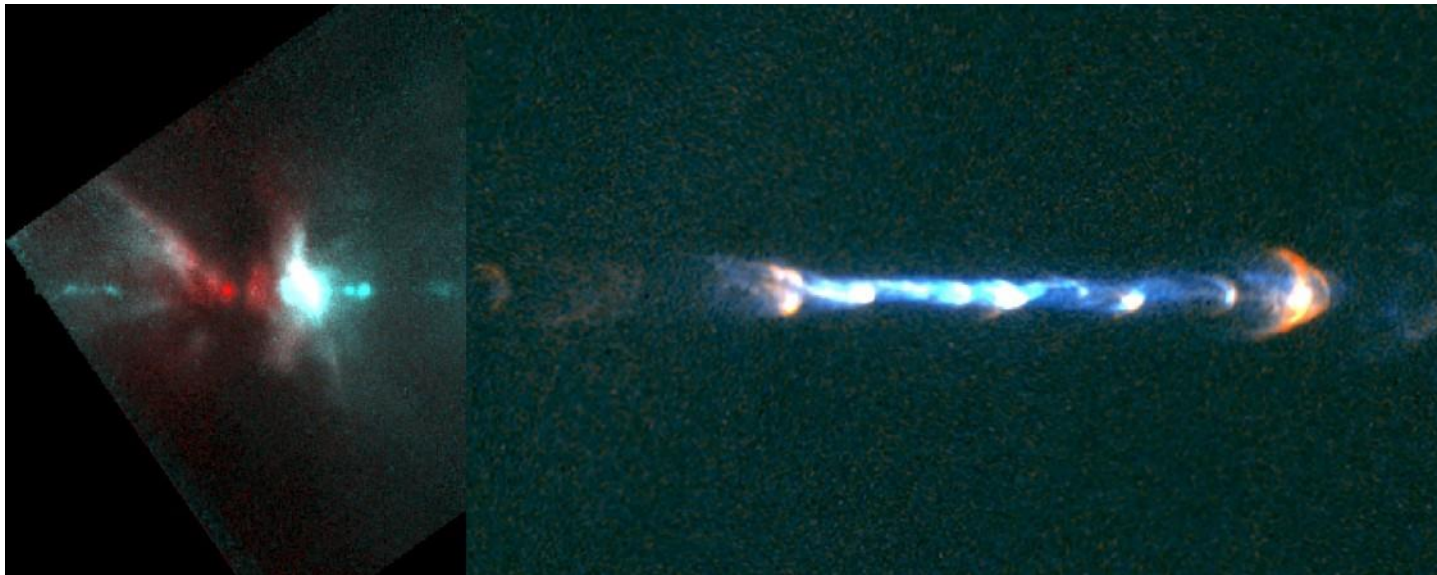


- If 200 ~ 500 mTorr Ar is used as the filled gas, 46.9 nm (26.5 eV) Ne-like Ar laser can be built.

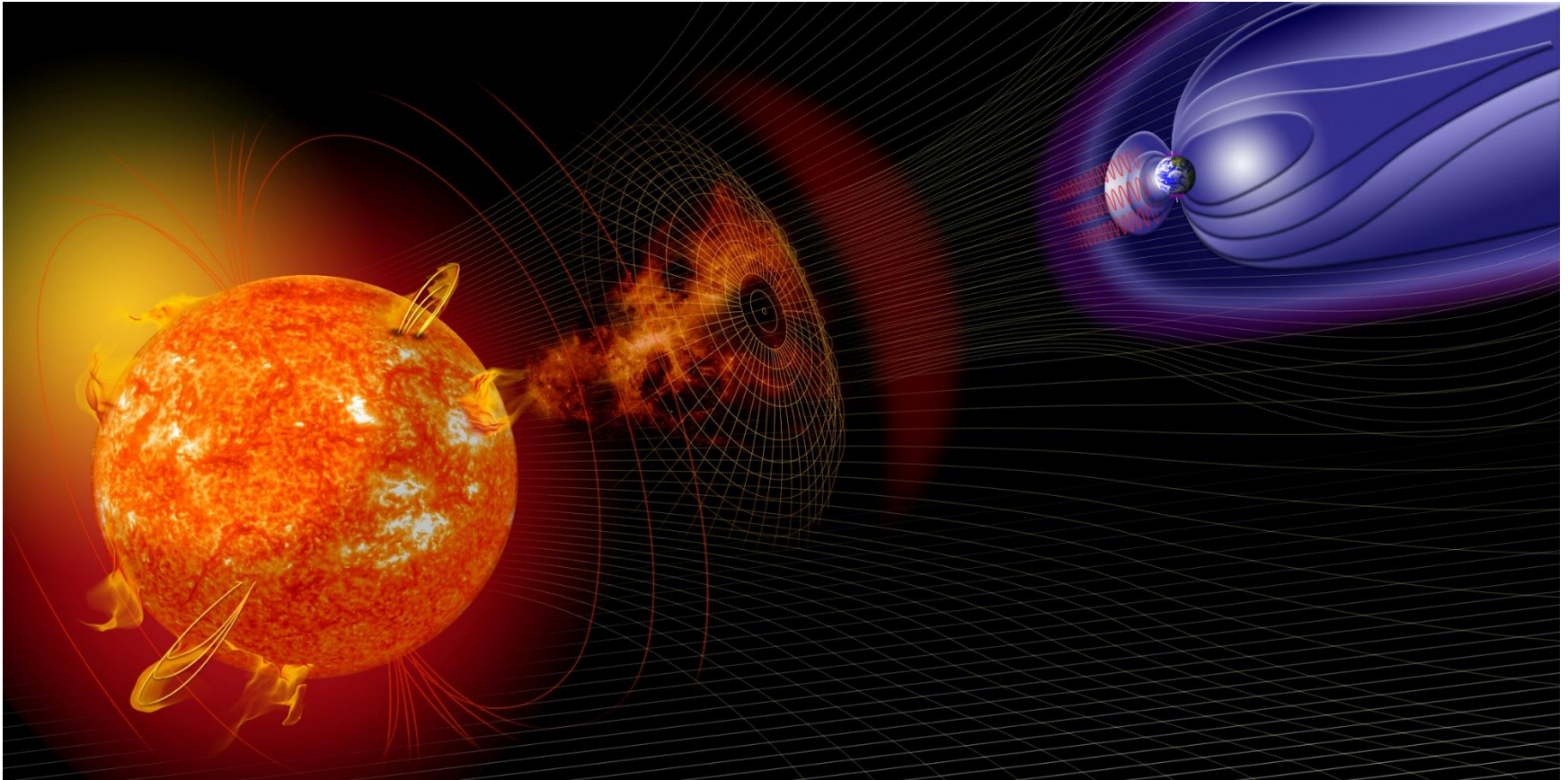
Astrophysics and space science can be studied in laboratory environments.



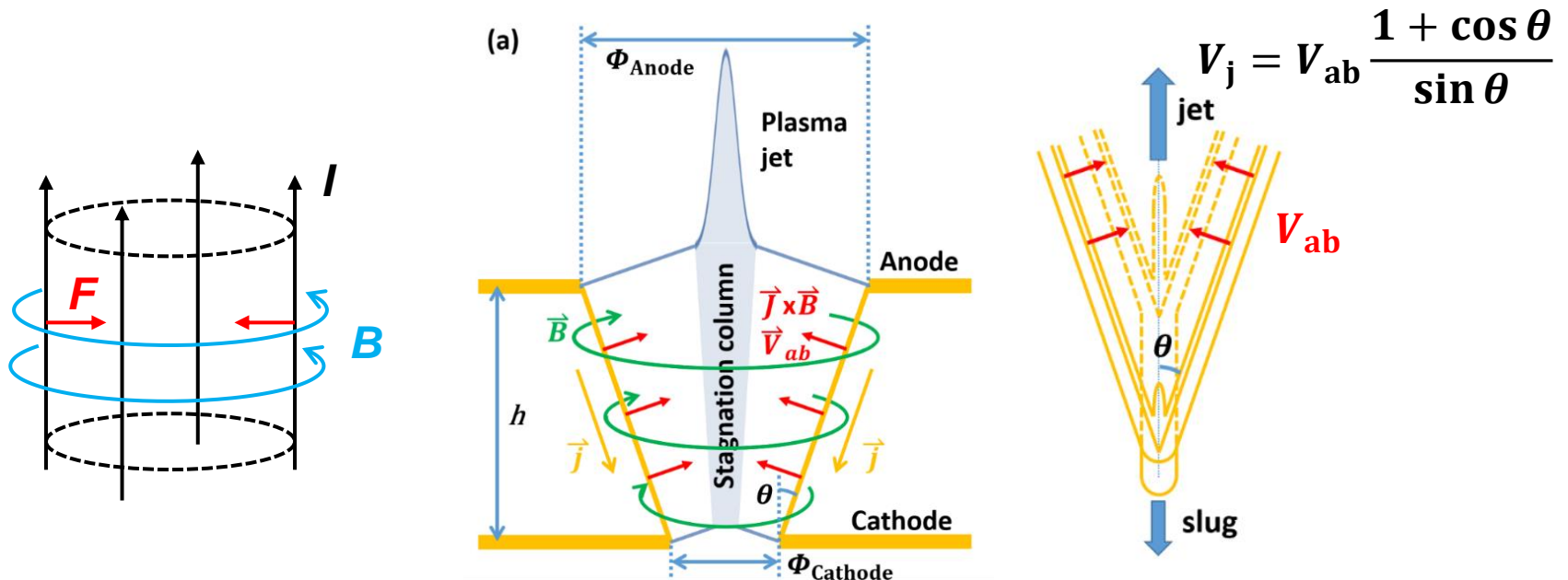
- Plasma jets in Herbig-Haro 111 taken by Hubble space telescope.



Solar wind is a supersonic plasma plume coming from the sun

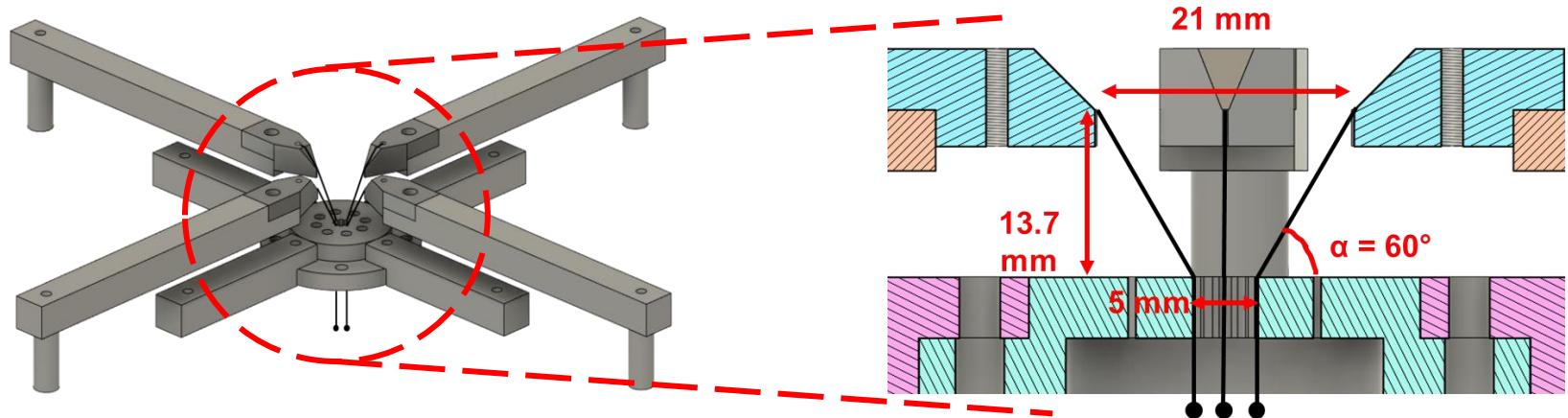


A plasma jet can be generated by a conical-wire array due to the nonuniform z-pinch effect

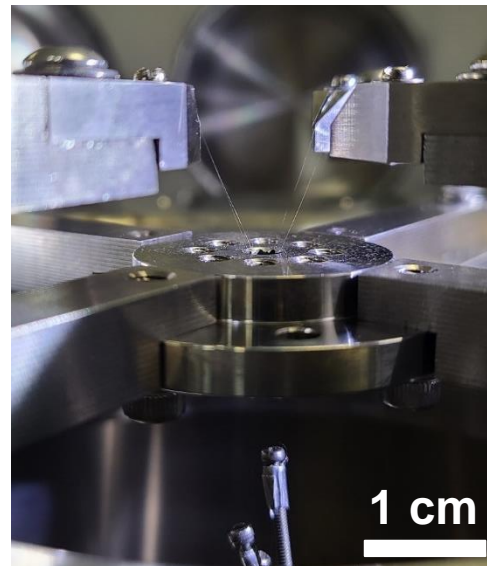
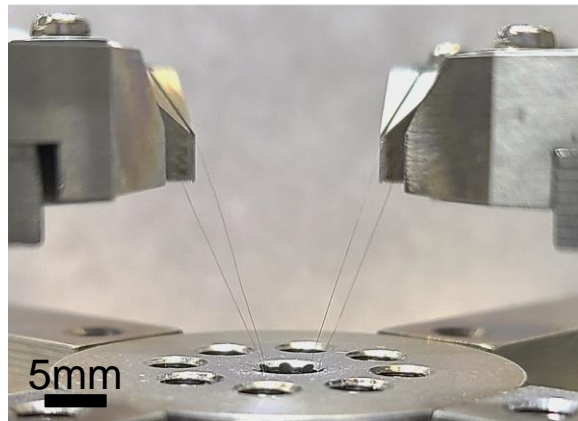


1. Wire ablation : corona plasma is generated by wire ablations.
2. Precursor : corona plasma is pushed by the $\vec{J} \times \vec{B}$ force and accumulated on the axis forming a precursor.
3. Plasma jet is formed by the nonuniform z-pinch effect due to the radius difference between the top and the bottom of the array.

Our conical-wire array consists of 4 tungsten wires with an inclination angle of 30° with respect to the axis



• Conical-wire array

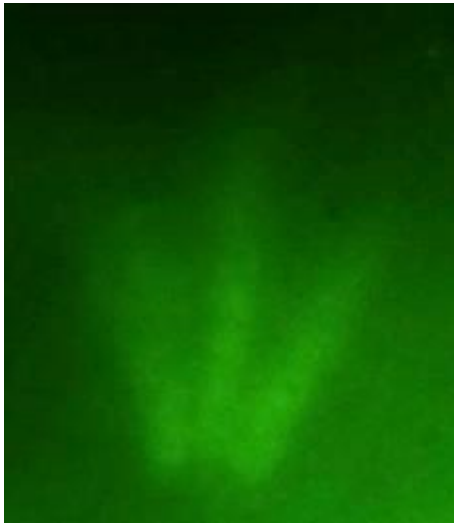


- Material : Tungsten
- Number of wires : 4
- Diameter : 0.02 mm

Self-emission of the plasma jet in the UV to soft x-ray regions was captured by the pinhole camera



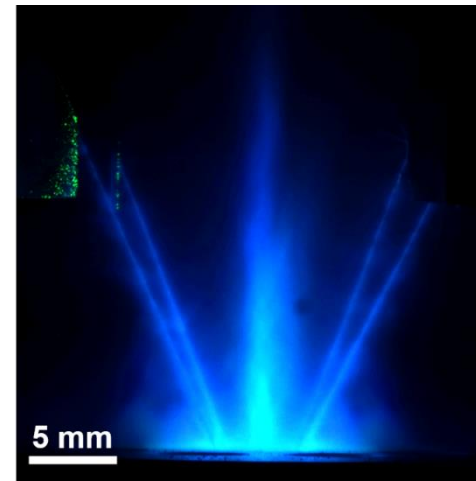
- Image in UV/soft x ray



(Brightness is increased by 40 %.)

- Pinhole diameter: 0.5 mm, i.e., spatial resolution: 1 mm.

- Image in visible light



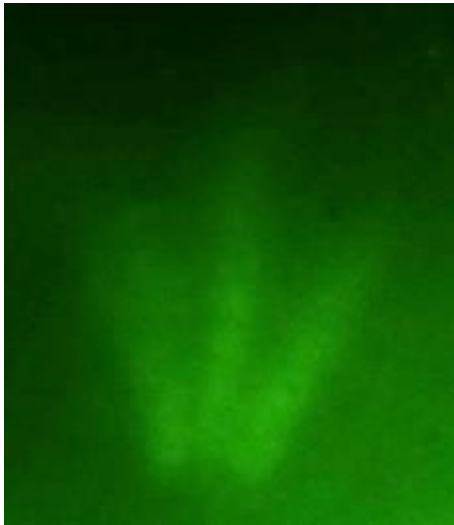
(Enhanced by scaling the intensity range linearly from 0 – 64 to 0 – 255.)

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The MCP was burned due to the higher DC voltage supply



- Image in UV/soft x ray

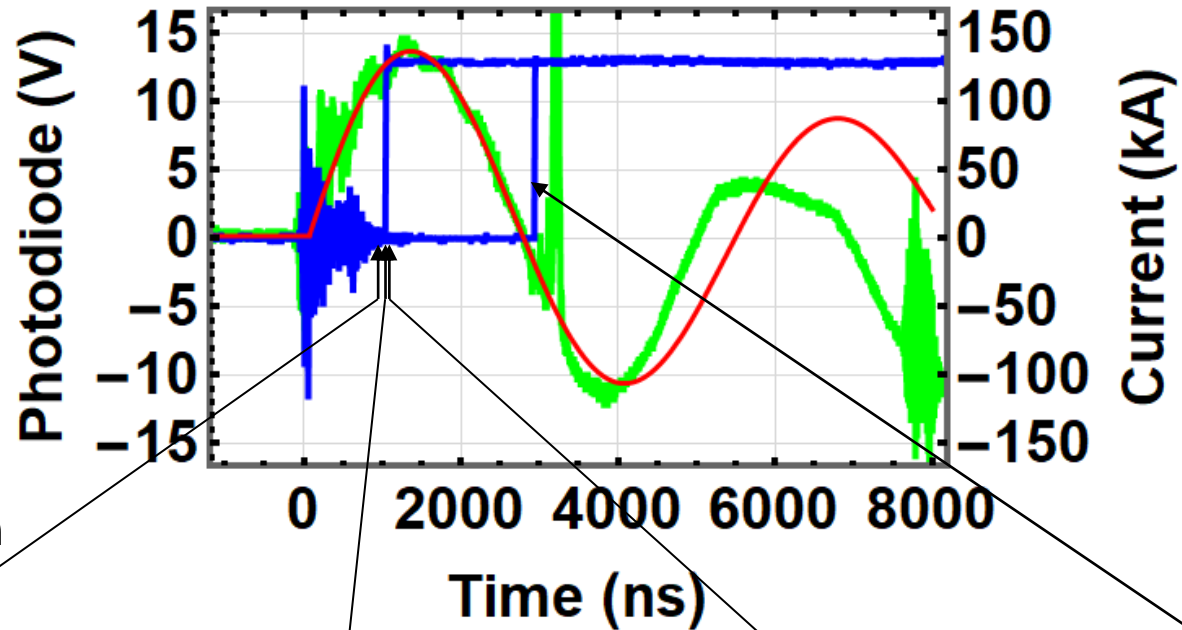


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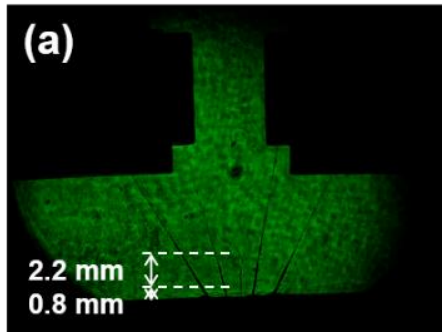


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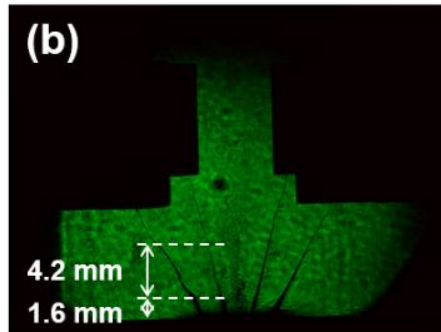
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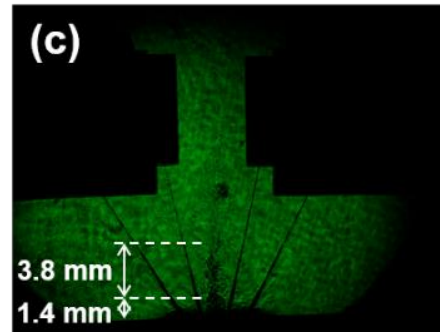
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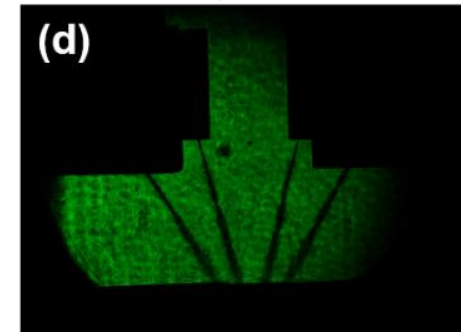
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975 ± 2 ns



985 ± 3 ns

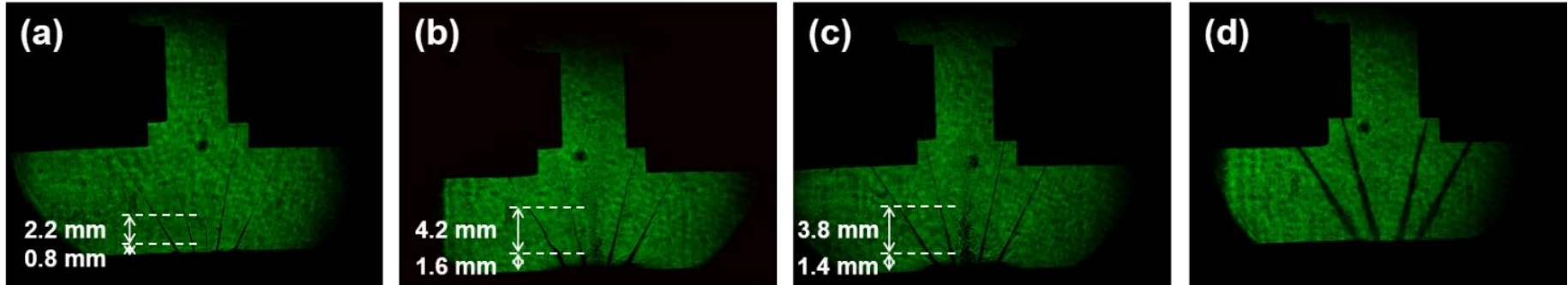


2945 ± 2 ns

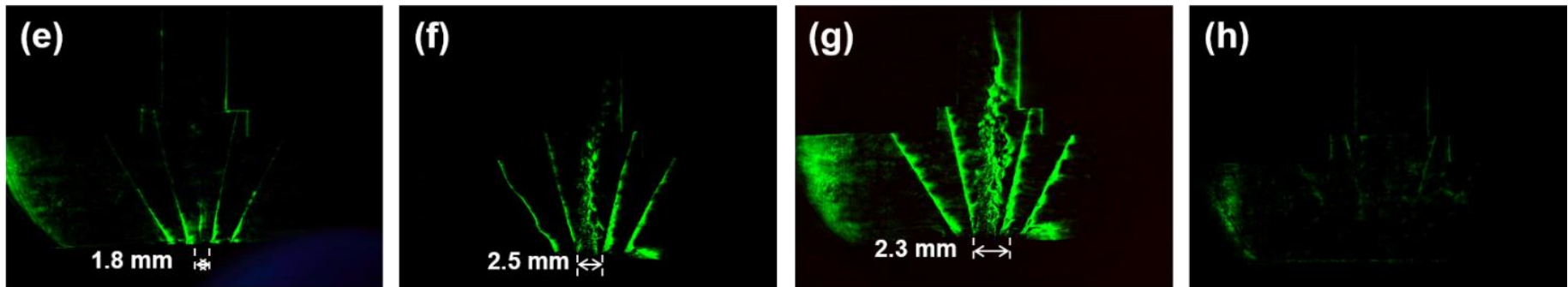
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- Shadowgraph images:



- Schlieren images:



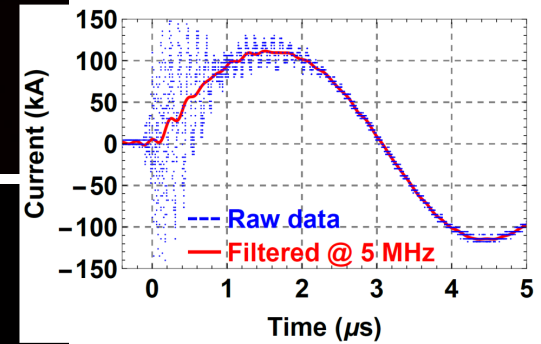
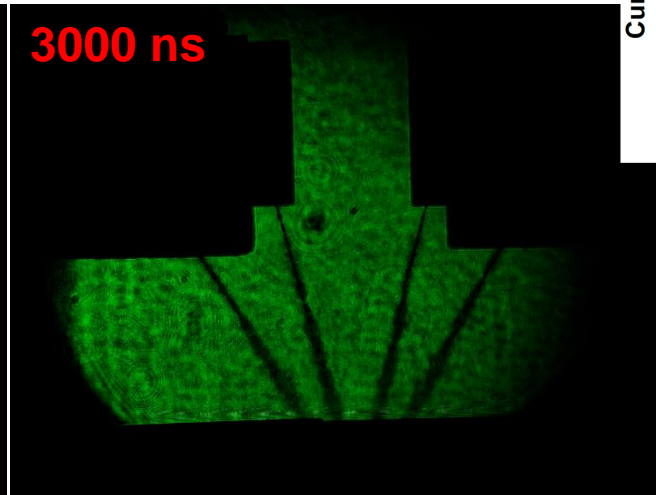
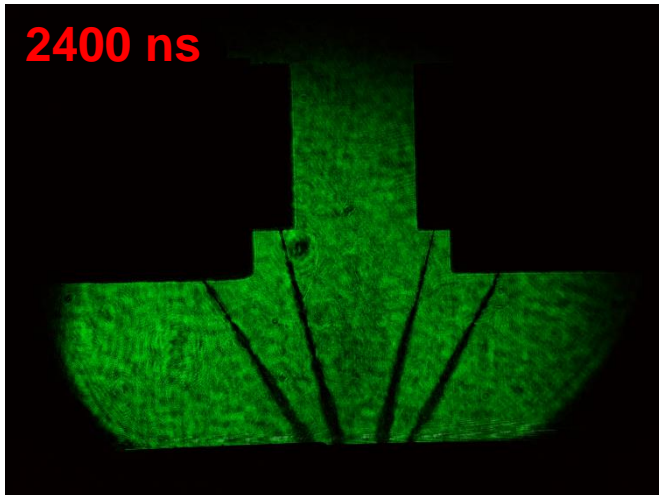
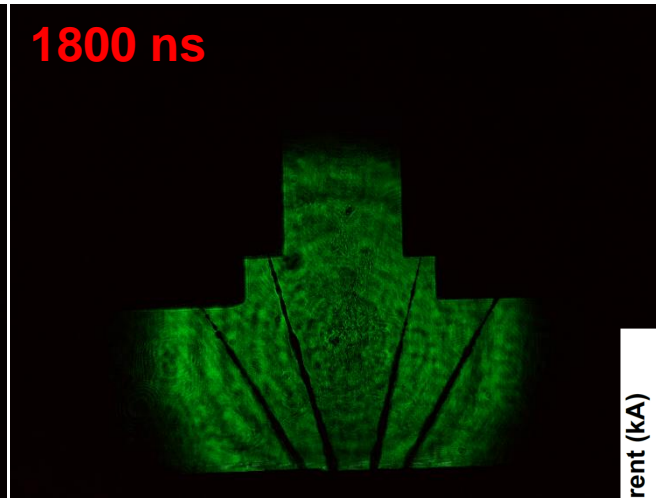
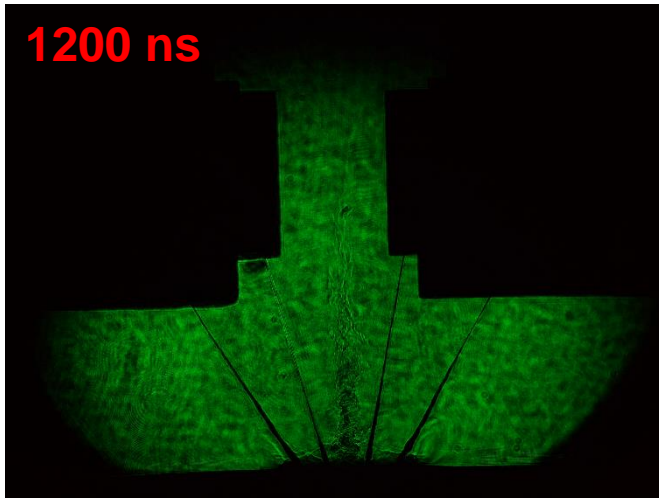
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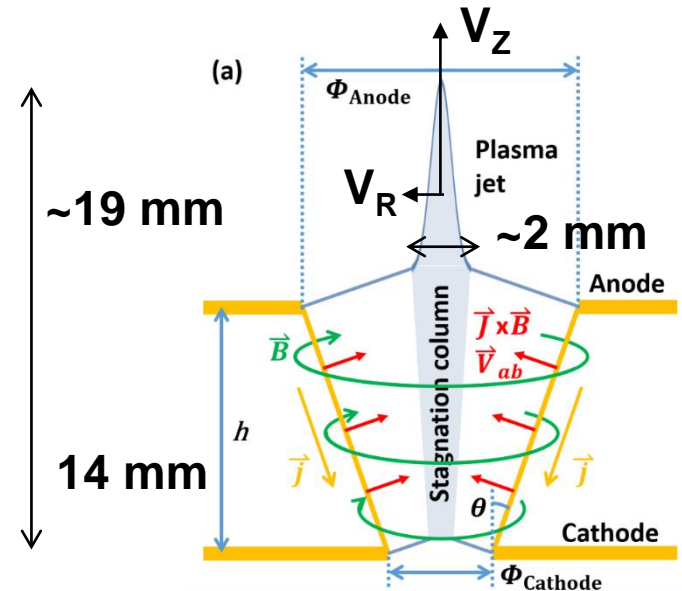
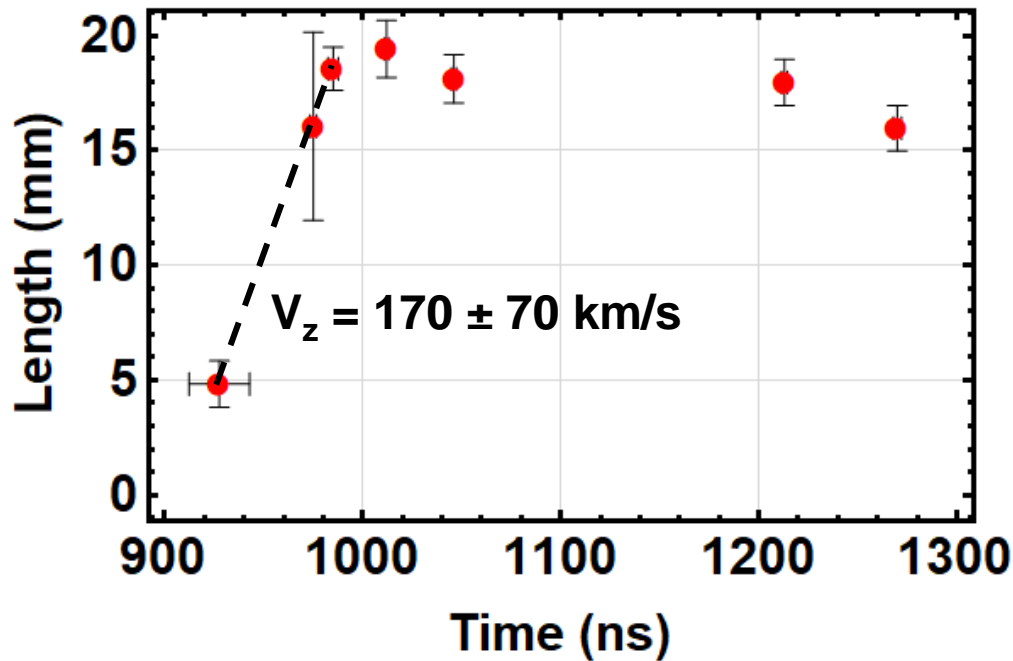
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Tungsten wires are being evaporated by the pulsed current



To be continued.....

The measured plasma jet speed is 170 ± 70 km/s with the corresponding Mach number greater than 5



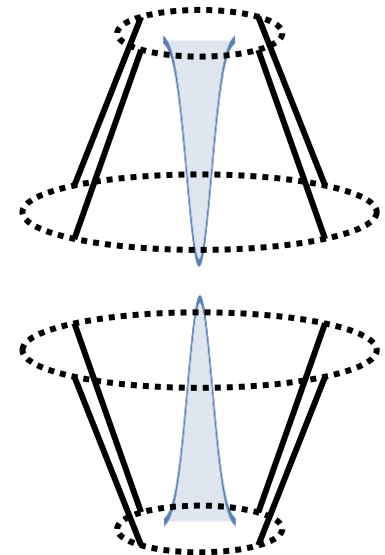
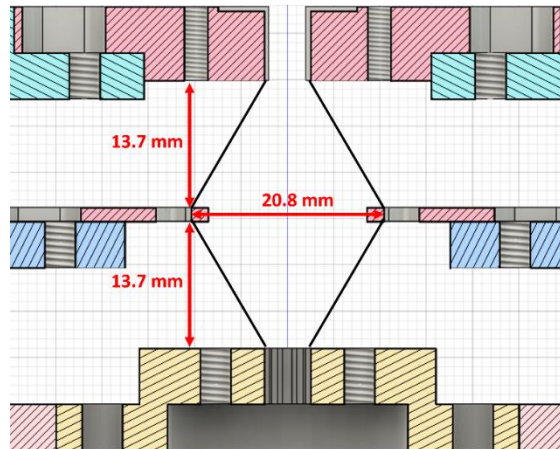
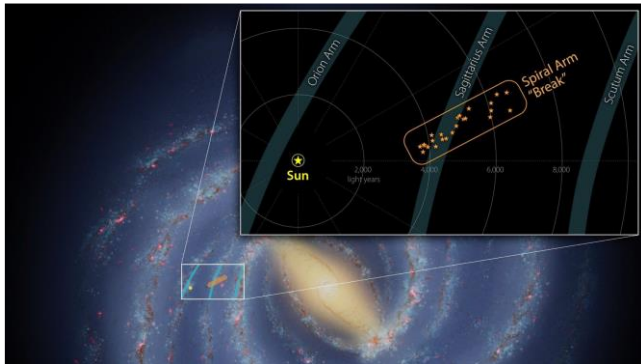
$$M = \frac{V_z}{V_R} \leq \frac{Z}{r} \approx \frac{(19 - 14) \text{ mm}}{\frac{2 \text{ mm}}{2}} = 5$$

$$V_{ab} = V_j \frac{\sin \theta}{1 + \cos \theta} = 50 \pm 20 \text{ km/s}$$

Plasma disk can be formed when two head-on plasma jets collide with each other



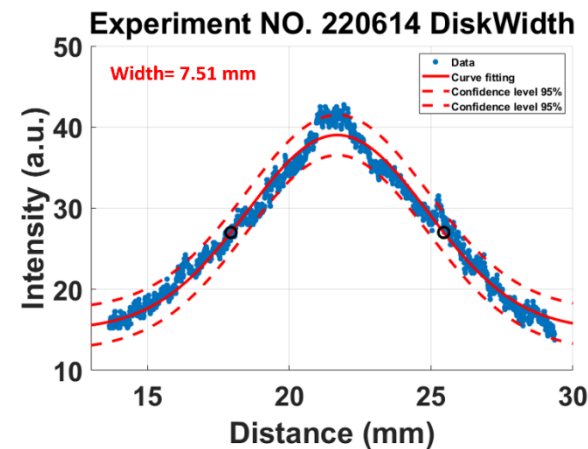
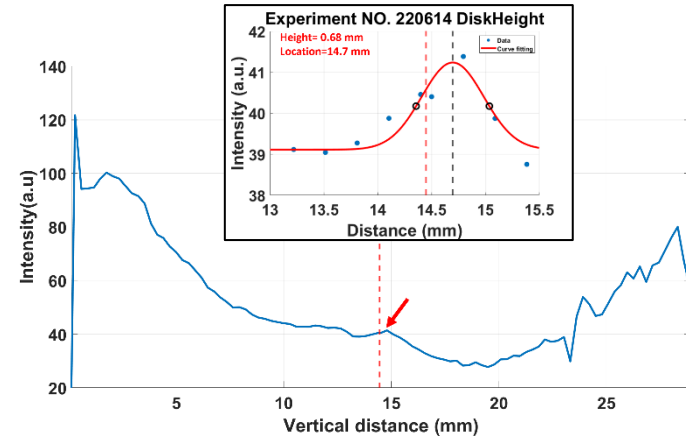
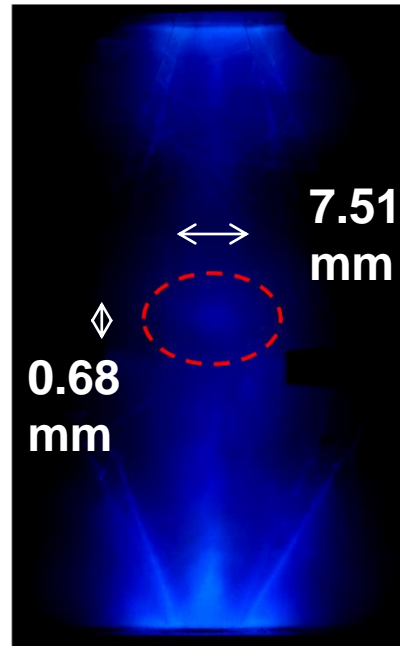
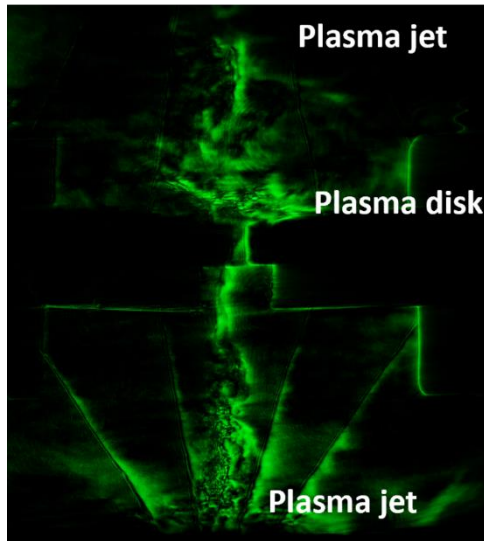
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A plasma disk with a height of ~ 0.68 mm and a width of ~ 7.51 mm was generated ~ 0.15 mm above the middle plane



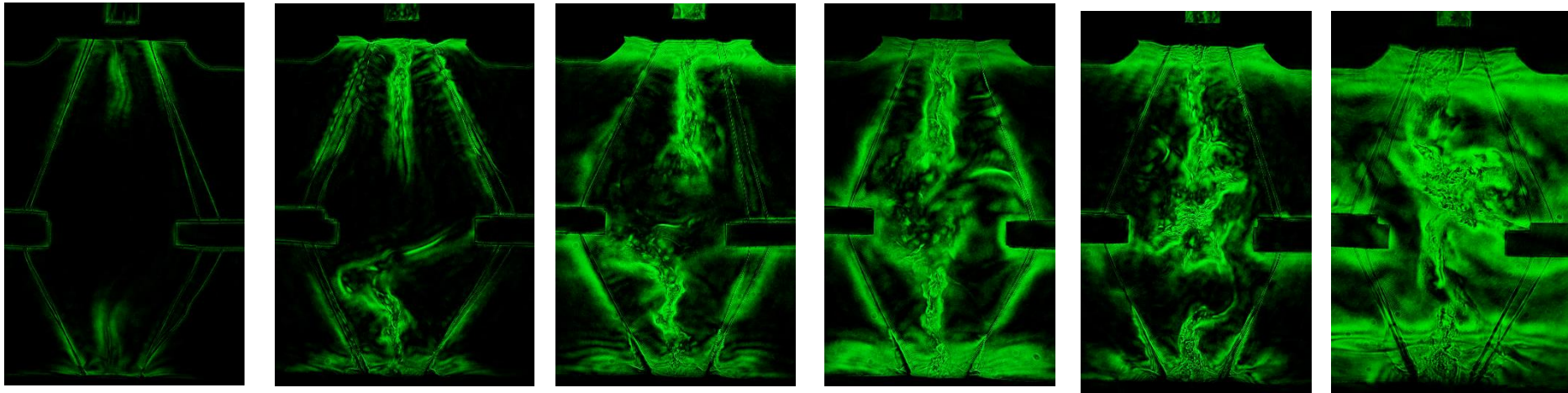
- Schlieren image:
- Time-integrated image:



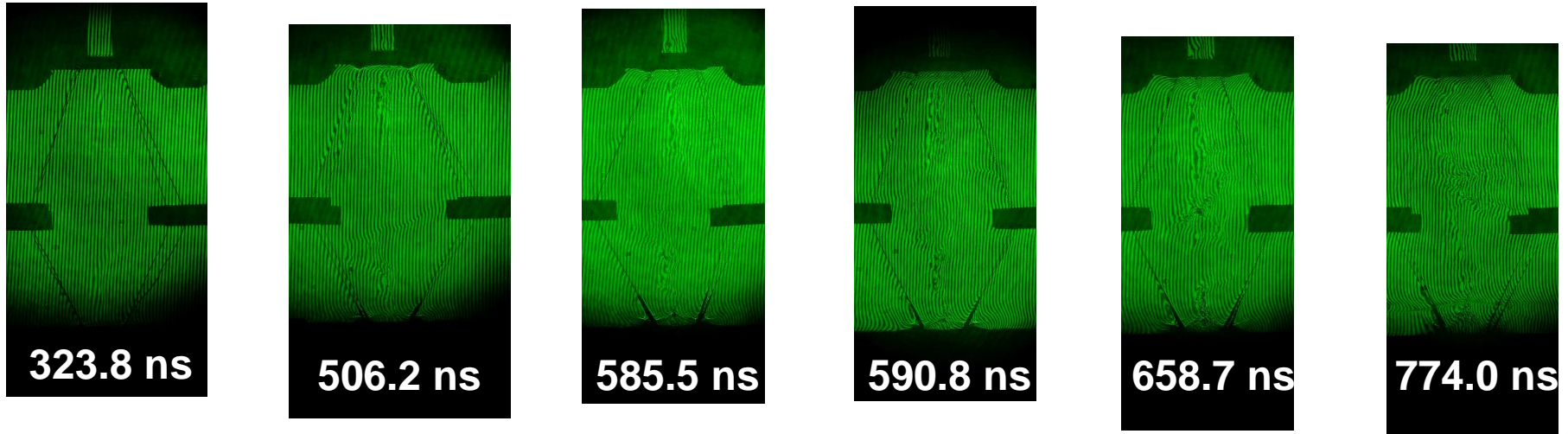
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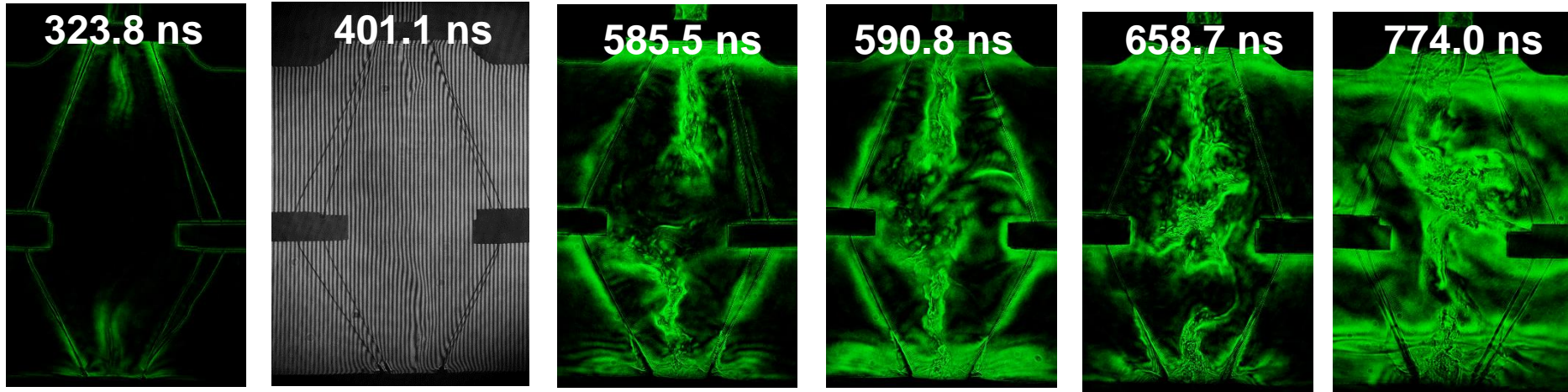
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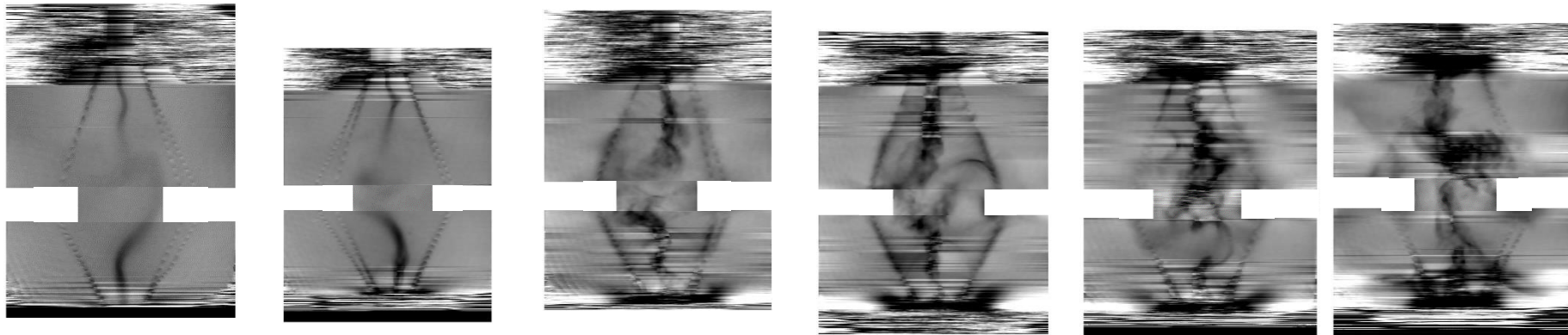
The plasma disk with a number density of $\sim 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ was generated



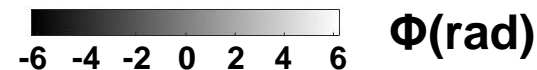
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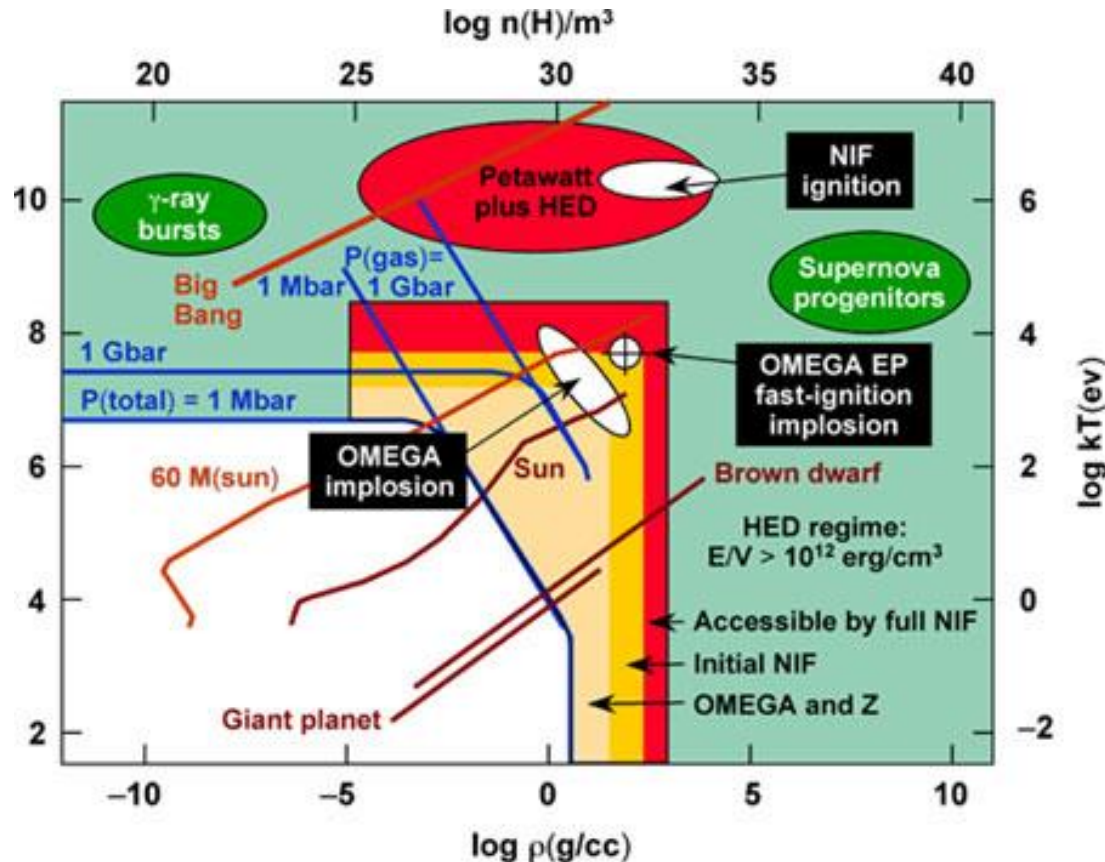
Interferometer



$$-2\pi \sim 2\pi \Rightarrow 0 \sim 4.2 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-2} \\ \Rightarrow 8.4 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ for } L = 5 \text{ mm}$$



High energy density plasma (HEDP) is the regime where the pressure is greater than 1 Mbar

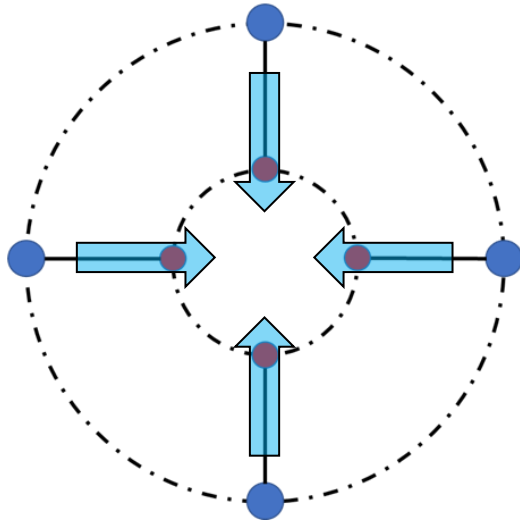


- The energy density of HEDP regime is higher than 1 kJ of energy per 10 mm^3 .

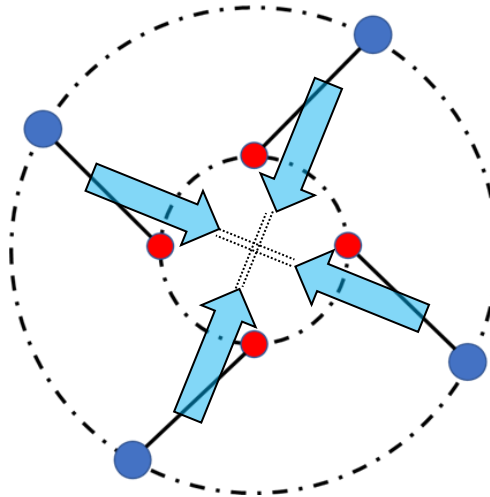
What if we twist the conical-wire array?



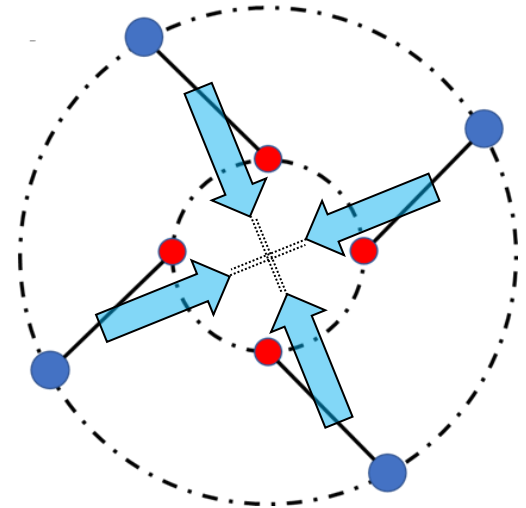
- **Non-rotation**



- **Clockwise 45°**



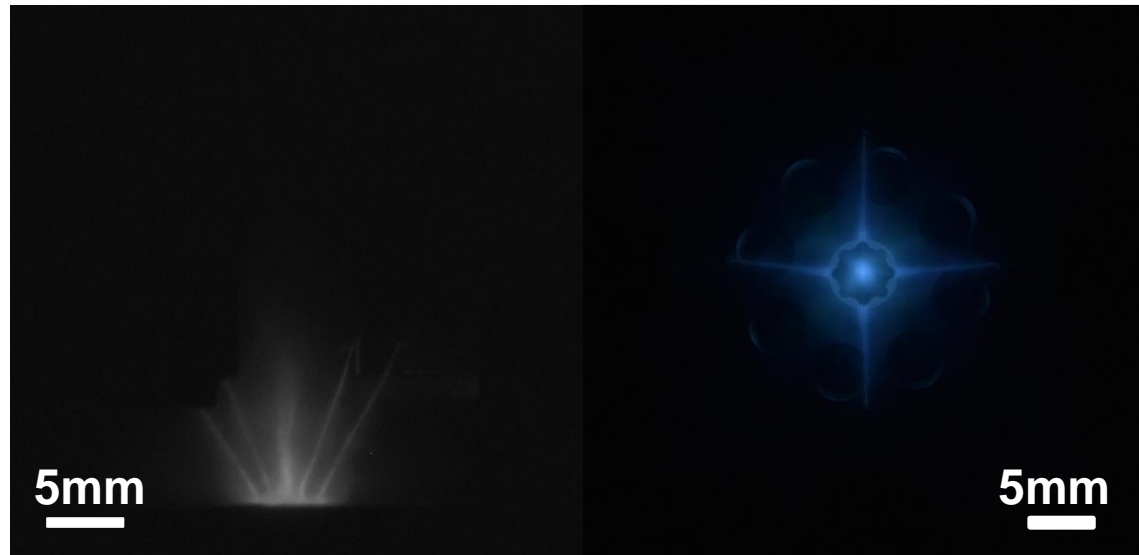
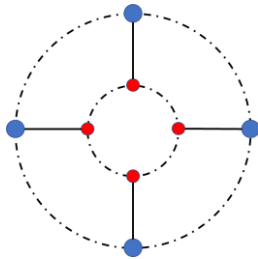
- **CCW 45°**



The plasma jet is a bright spot from the top view



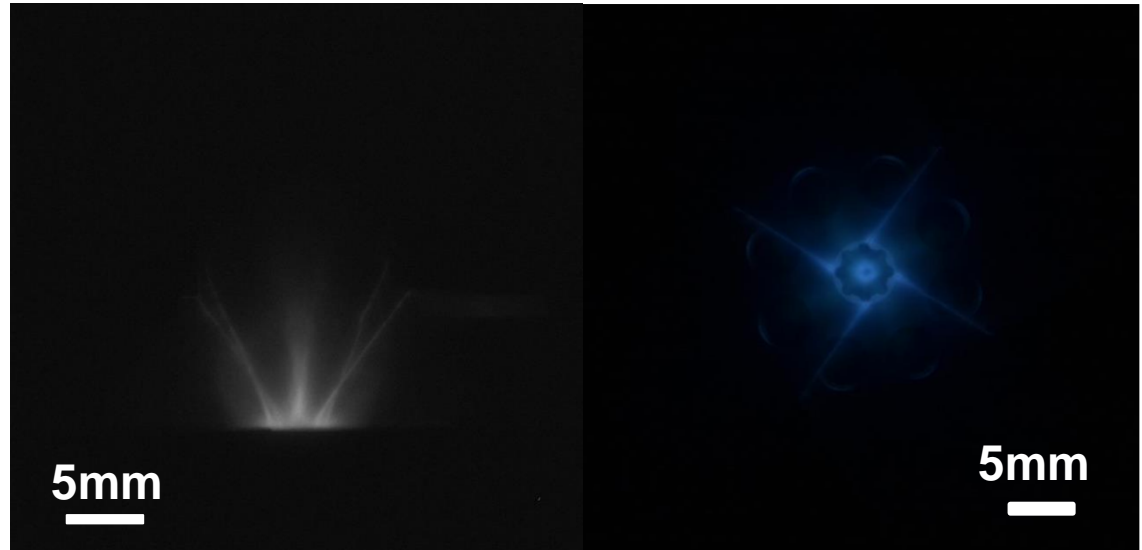
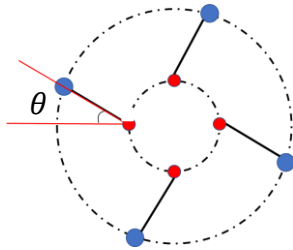
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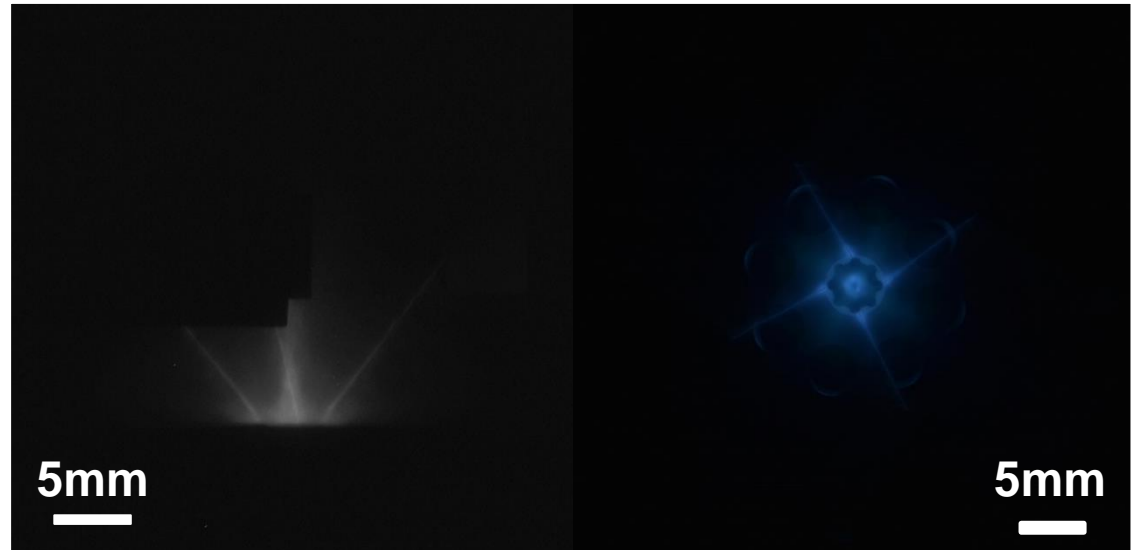
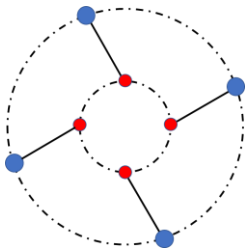
Hollow plasma jets were generated when the conical-wire arrays were twisted



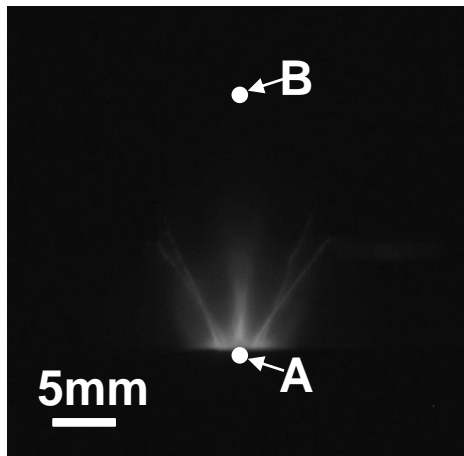
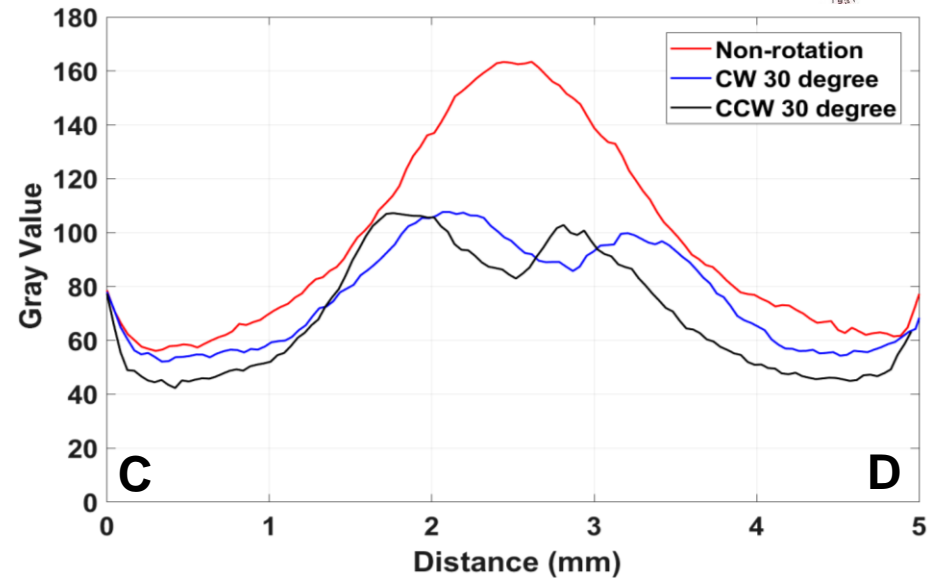
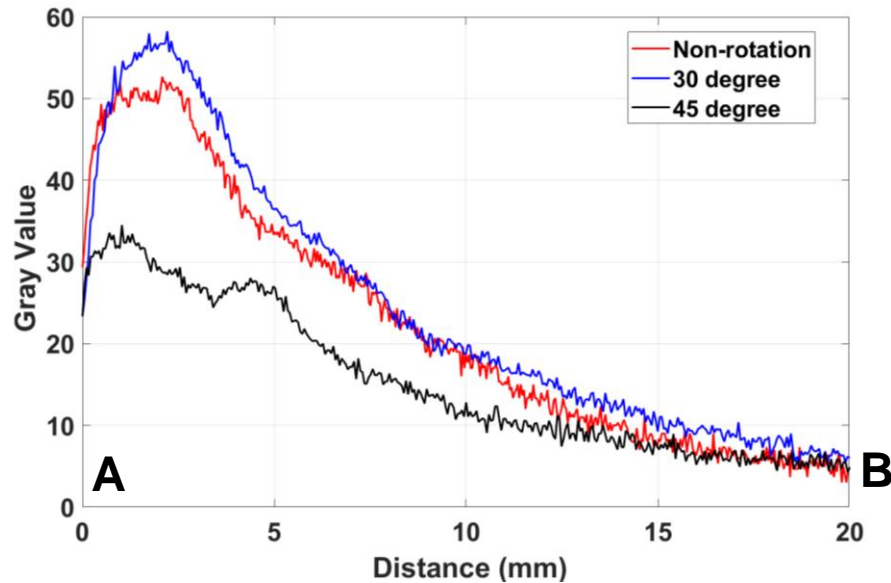
- Clockwise 30 °



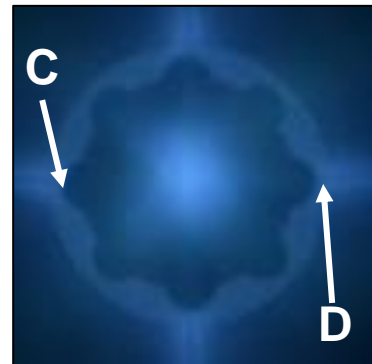
- Counter clockwise 30 °



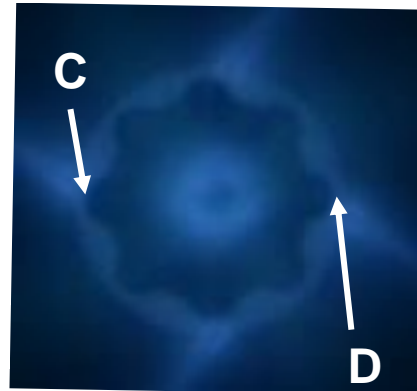
The hollow region at the center was due to angular momentum conservation of the in-coming plasma flow



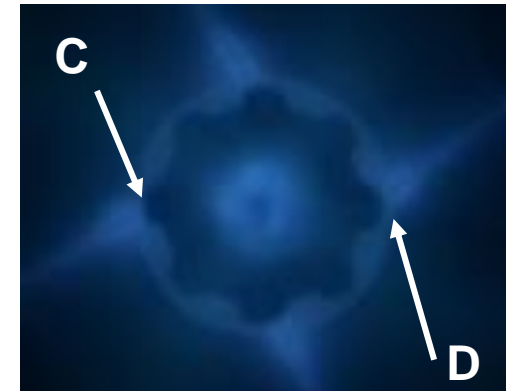
• 0 °



• CW 30 °

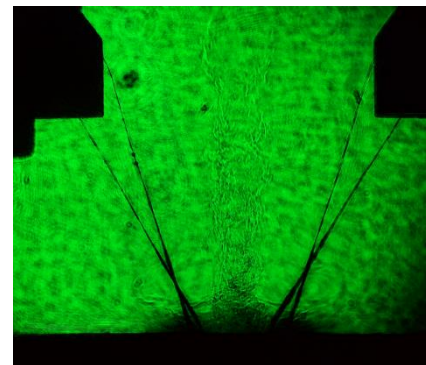
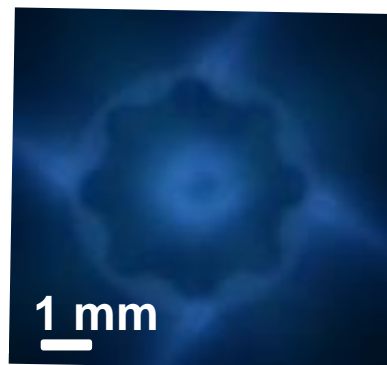
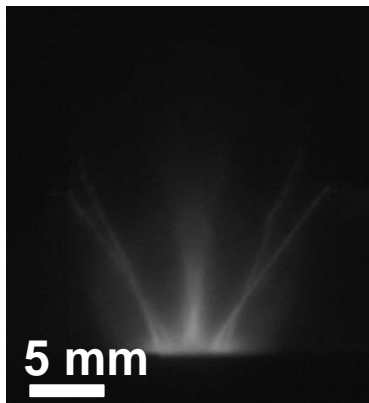
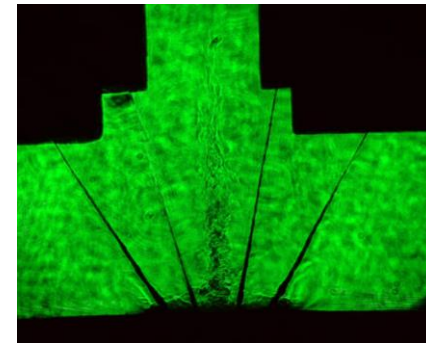
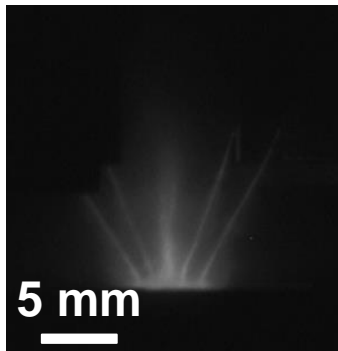


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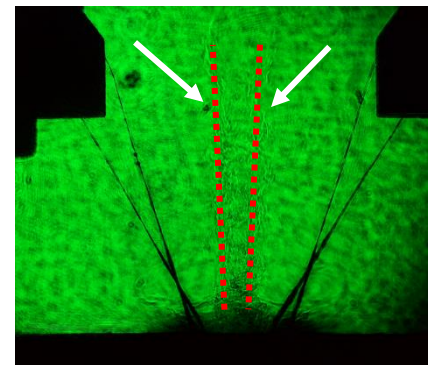
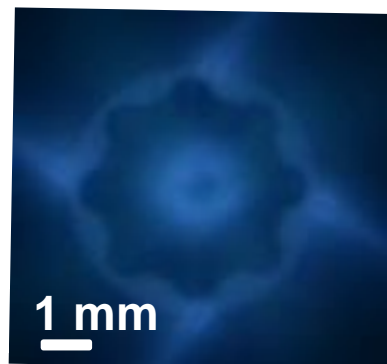
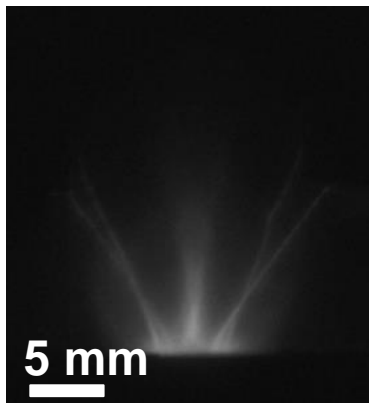
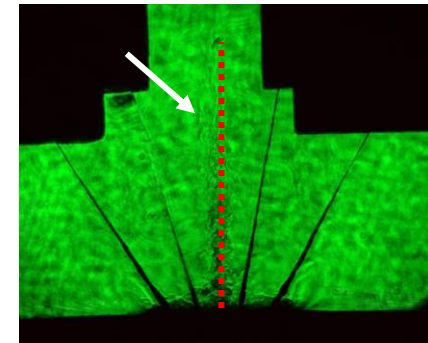
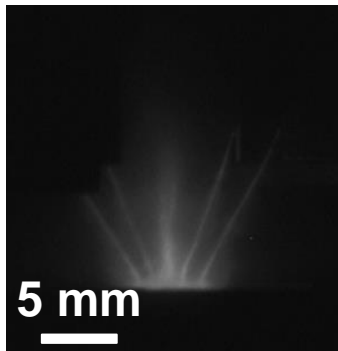


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A “tornado” is generated by the twisted conical-wire array

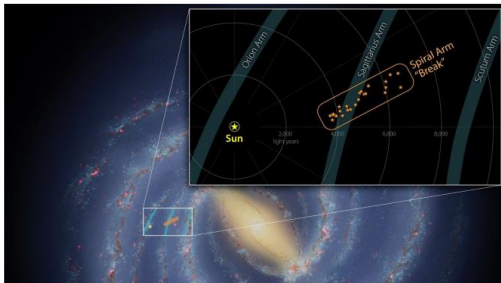
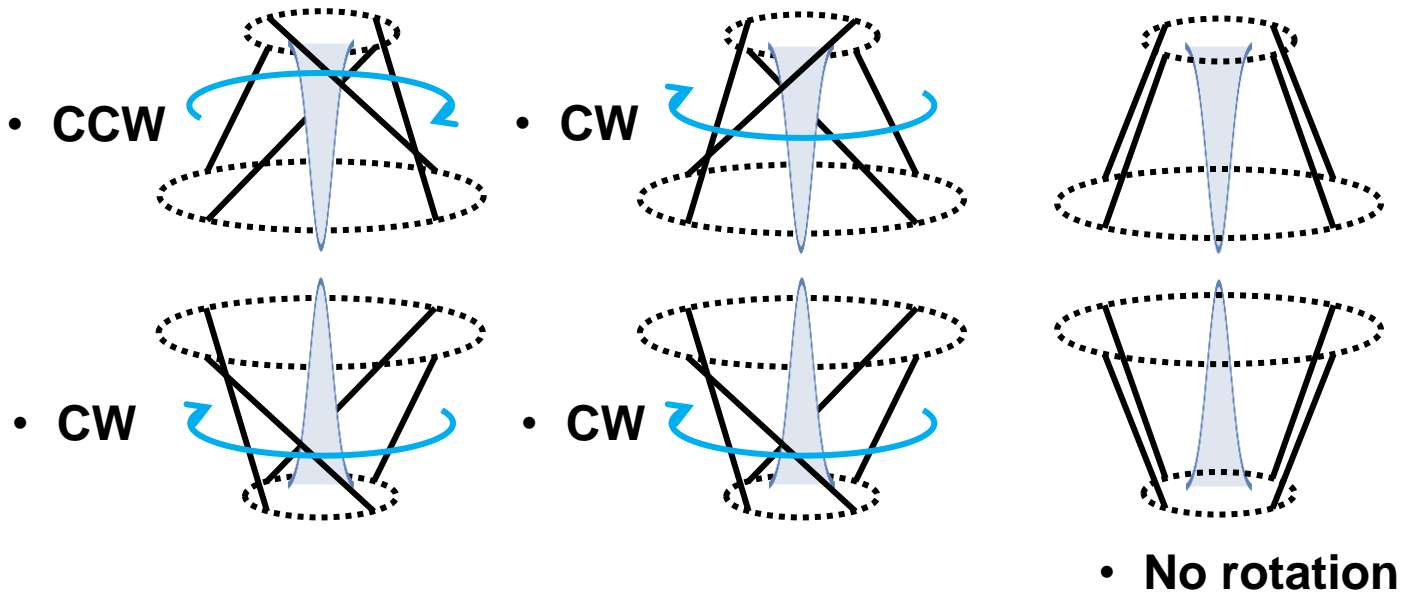


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Can a rotating plasma disk be formed?

To be continue...



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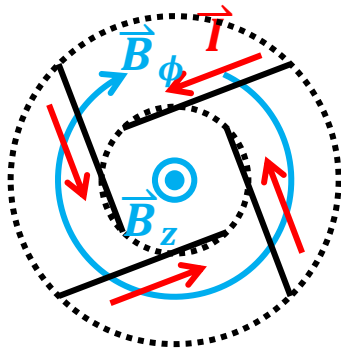
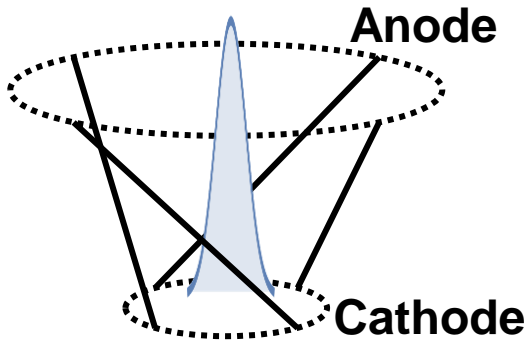
The rotational plasma jet produced by a twisted-conical-wire array is being studied



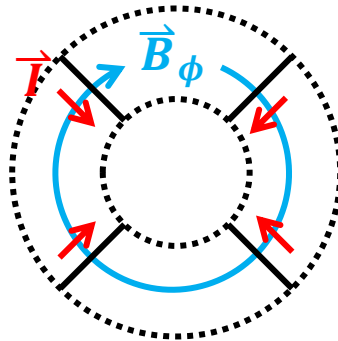
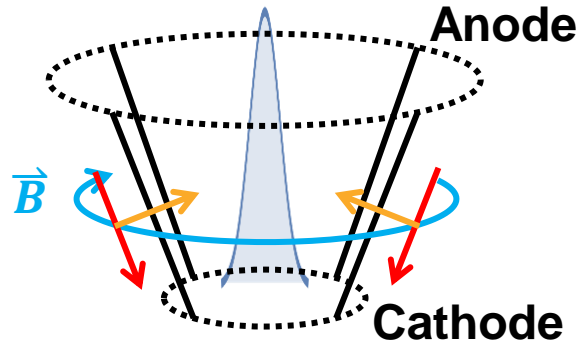
• Side view

• Top view

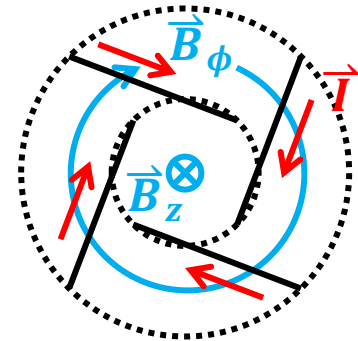
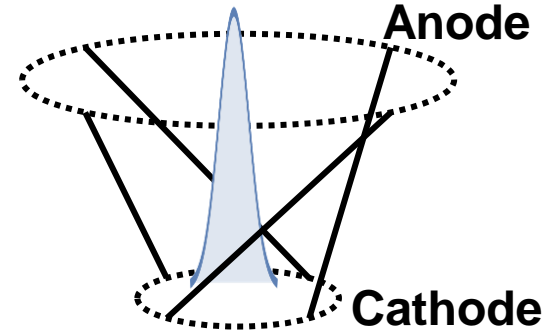
- Clockwise



- No rotation



- Counterclockwise



- No rotation: $\vec{F}_V = \vec{j} \times \vec{B} = (J_r, 0, J_z) \times (0, B_\phi, 0) = \hat{r}(-J_z B_\phi) + \hat{z}(J_r B_\phi)$
- With rotation: $\vec{F}_V = \vec{j} \times \vec{B} = (J_r, J_\phi, J_z) \times (B_r, B_\phi, B_z)$

$$= \hat{r}(J_\phi B_z - J_z B_\phi) + \hat{\phi}(J_z B_r - J_r B_z) + \hat{z}(J_r B_\phi - J_\phi B_z)$$

Compression

Rotation

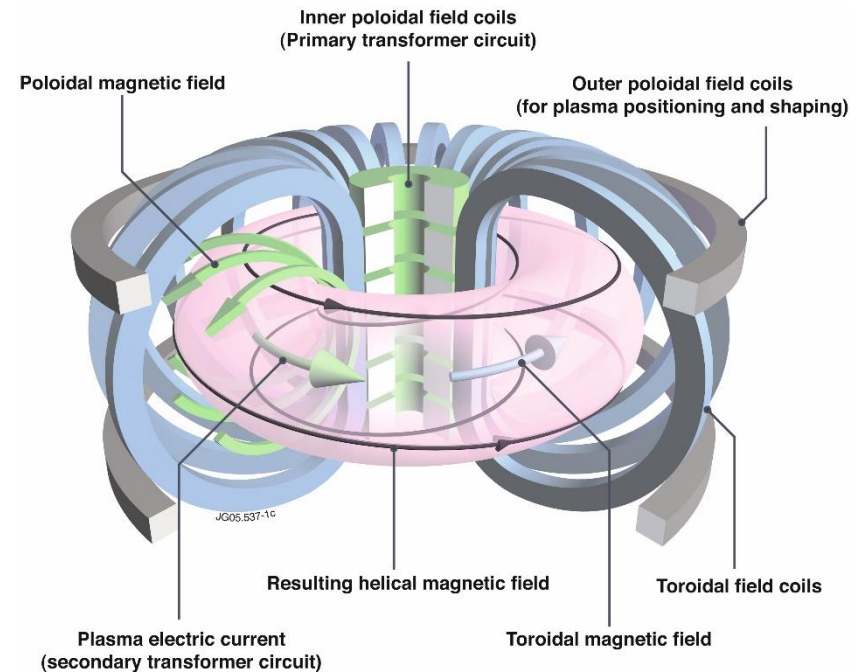
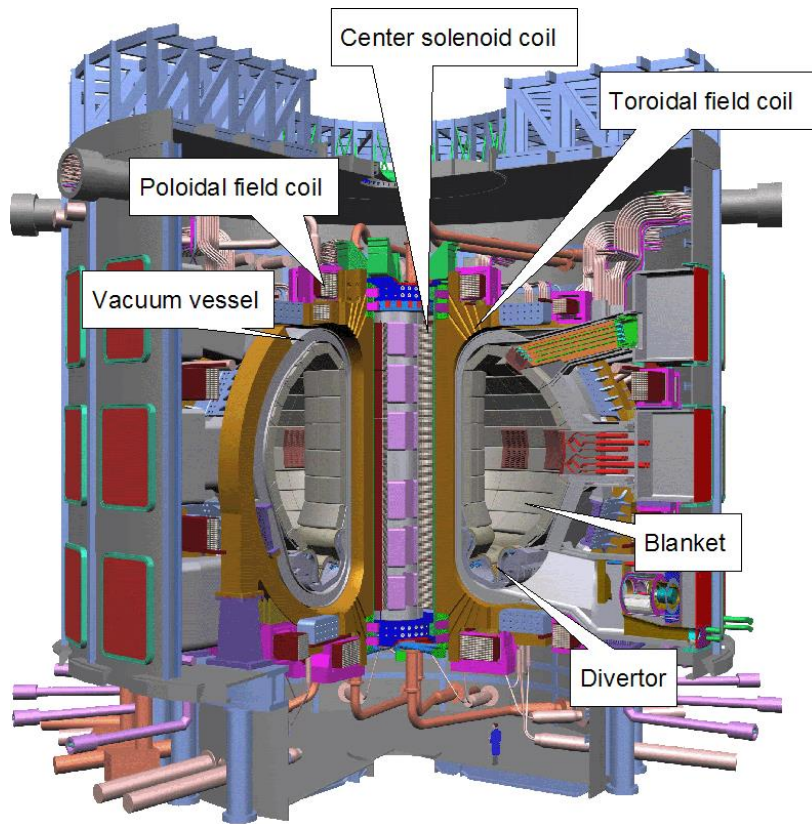
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Neutral beam source

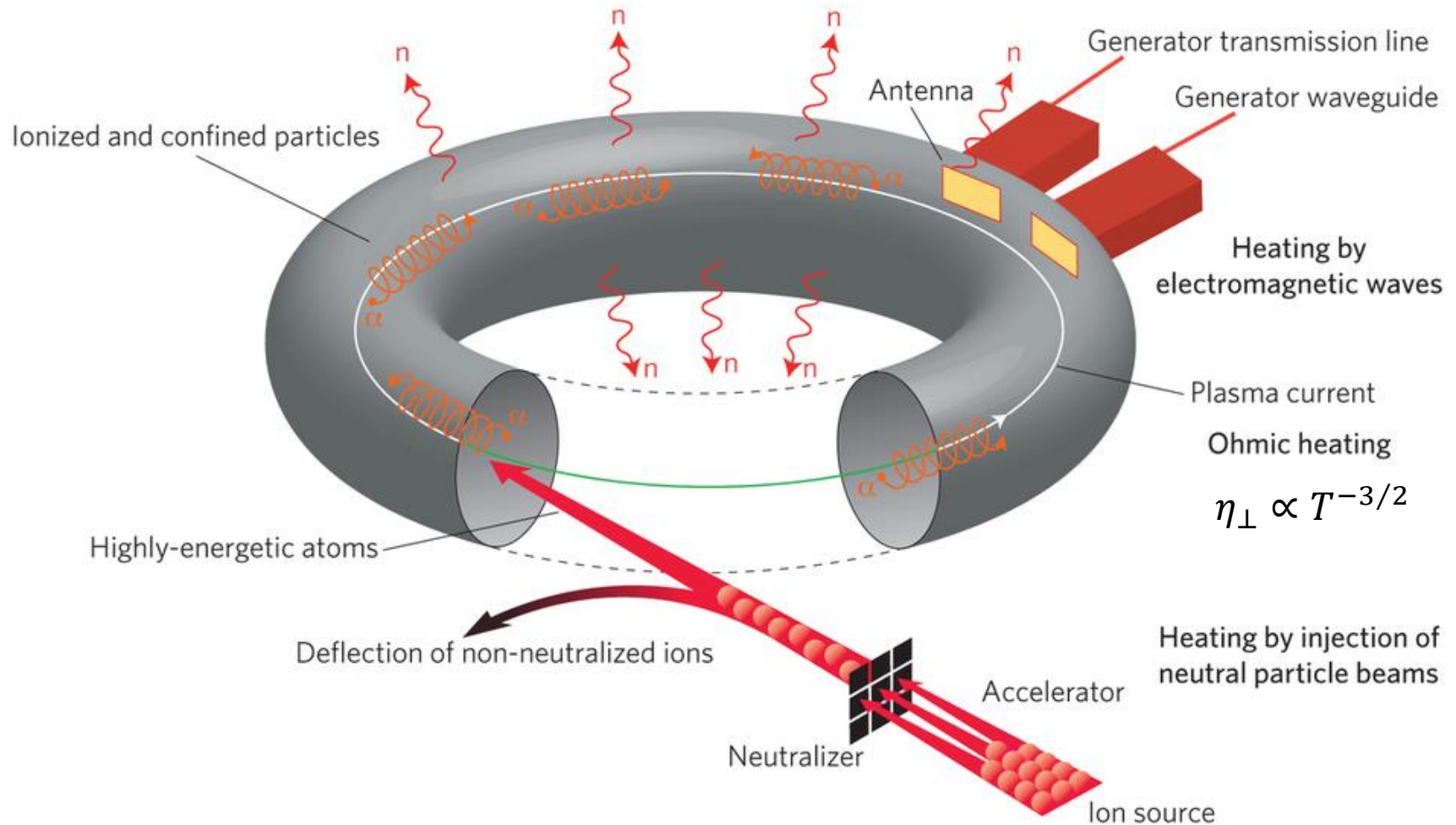


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Hot plasma is confined by the magnetic field in magnetic confinement fusion



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



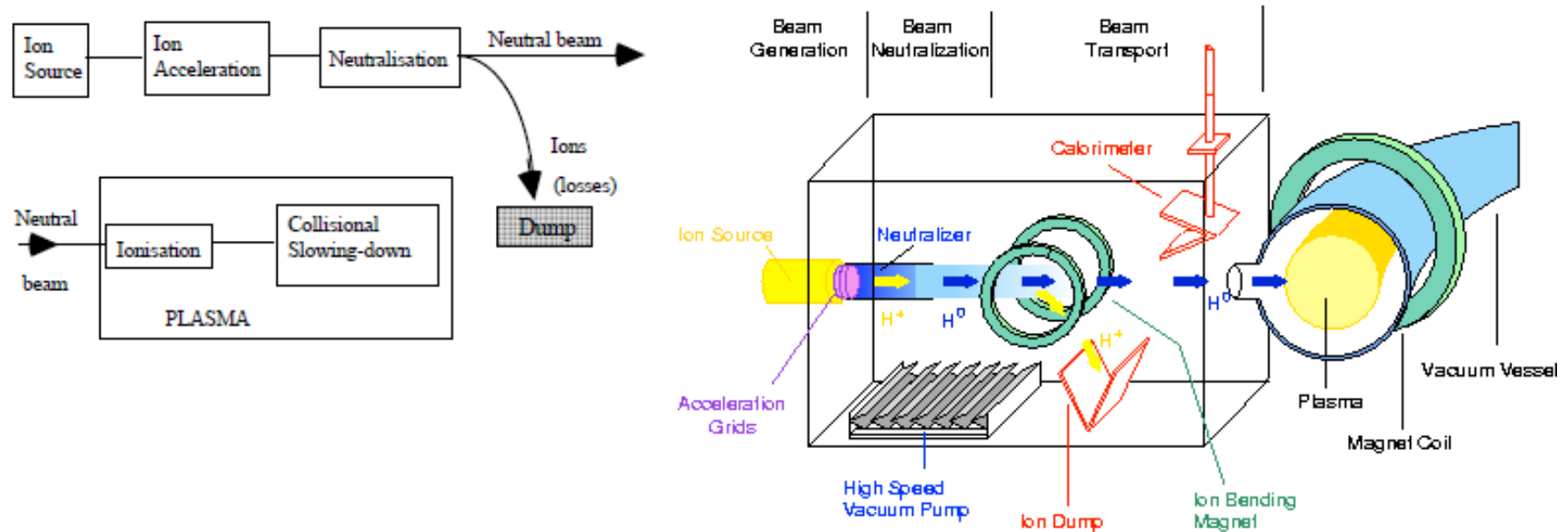
Varies way of heating a MCF device



	System	Frequency/ energy	Maximum power coupled to plasma	Overall system efficiency	Development/ demonstration required	Remarks
ECRF	Demonstrated in tokamaks	28–157 GHz	2.8 MW, 0.2 s	30–40%	Power sources and windows, off-axis CD	Provides off-axis CD
	ITER needs	150–170 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
	ITER needs	40–75 MHz	50 MW, SS			
LHRF	Demonstrated in tokamaks	1.3–8 GHz	2.5 MW, 120 s; 10 MW, 0.5 s	45–55%	Launcher, coupling to H-mode	Provides off-axis CD
	ITER needs	5 GHz	50 MW, SS			
NBI	+ve ion Demonstrated in tokamaks	80–140 keV	40 MW, 2 s; 20 MW, 8 s	35–45%	None	Not applicable
	ITER needs	None	None			
	–ve ion Demonstrated in tokamaks	0.35 MeV	5.2 MW, D ⁺ , 0.8 s (from 2 sources)	~37%	System, tests on tokamak, plasma CD	provides rotation
	ITER needs	1 MeV	50 MW, SS			

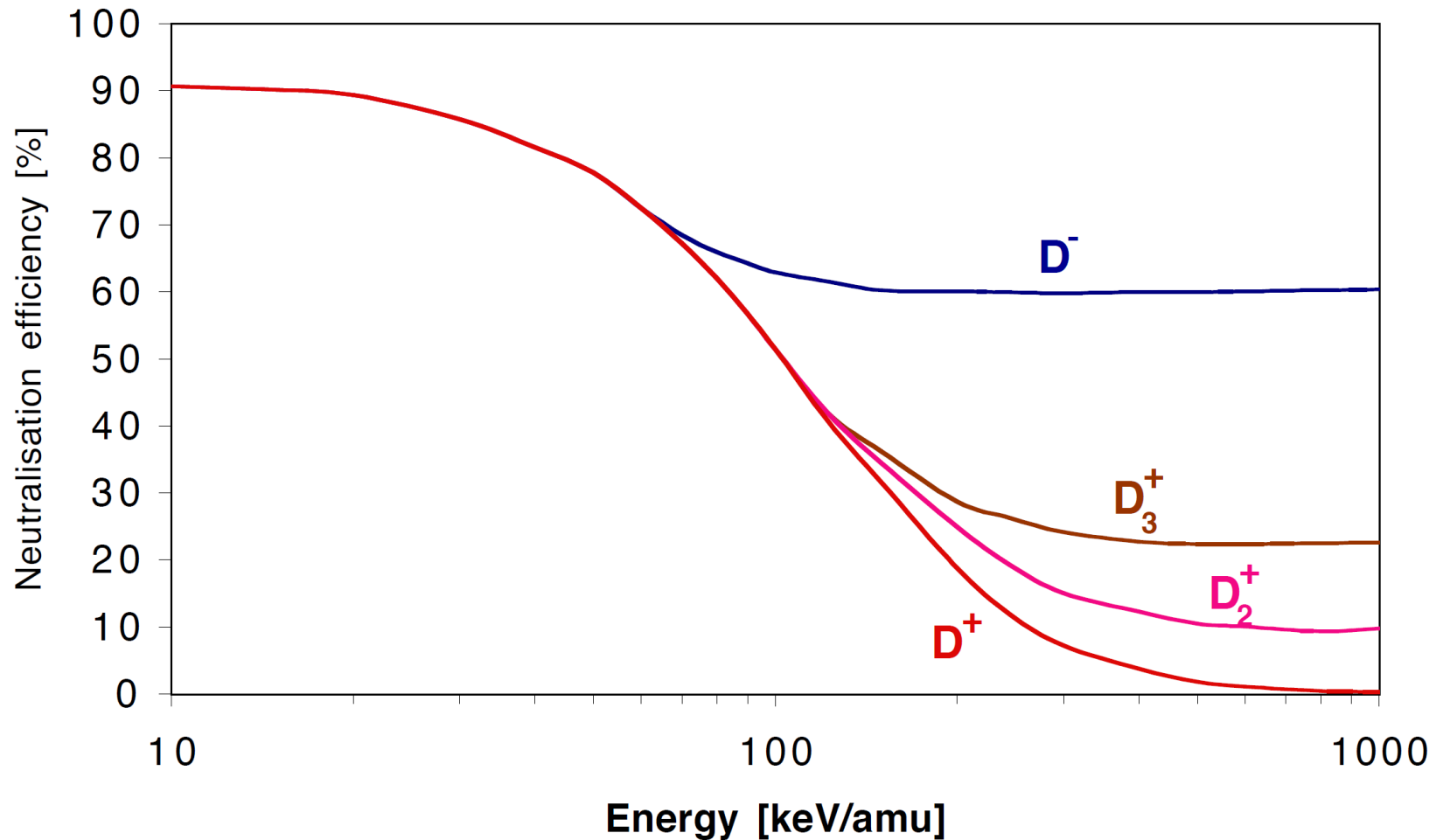
‘SS’ indicates steady state

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

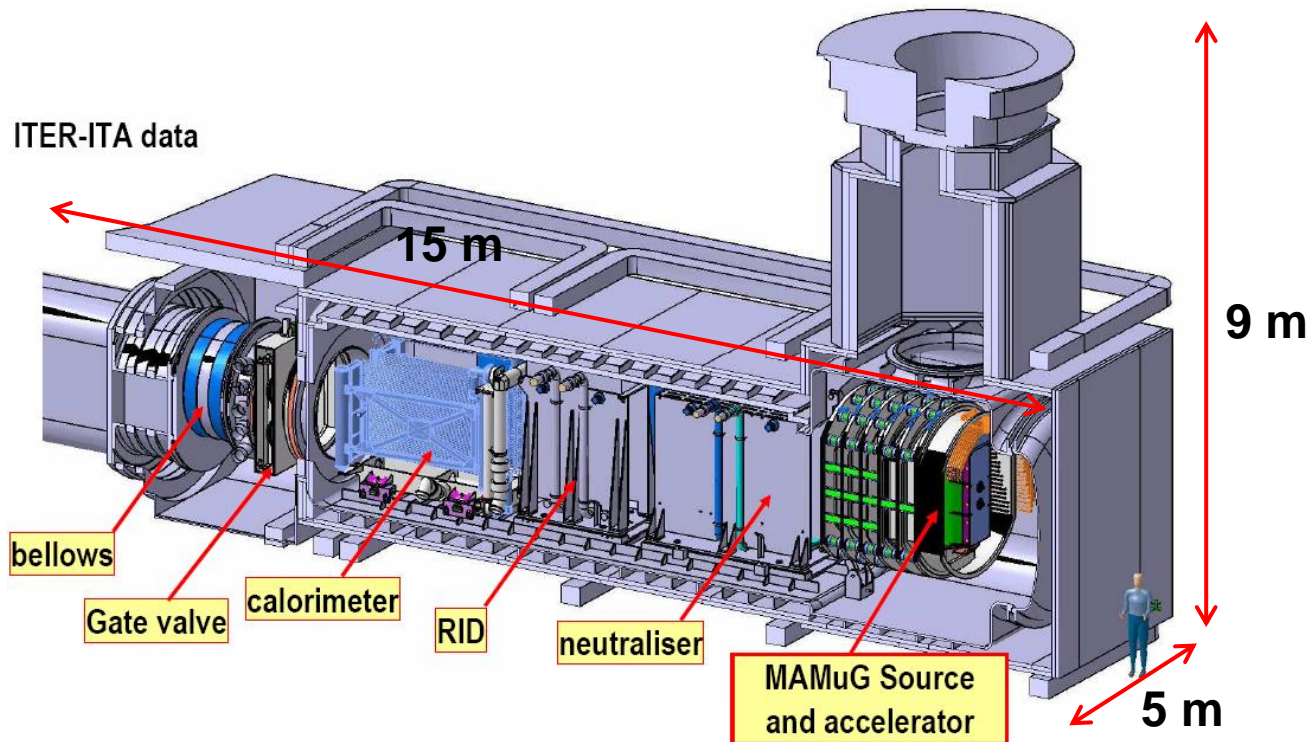
Negative ion source is preferred due to higher neutralization efficiency



NBI for ITER

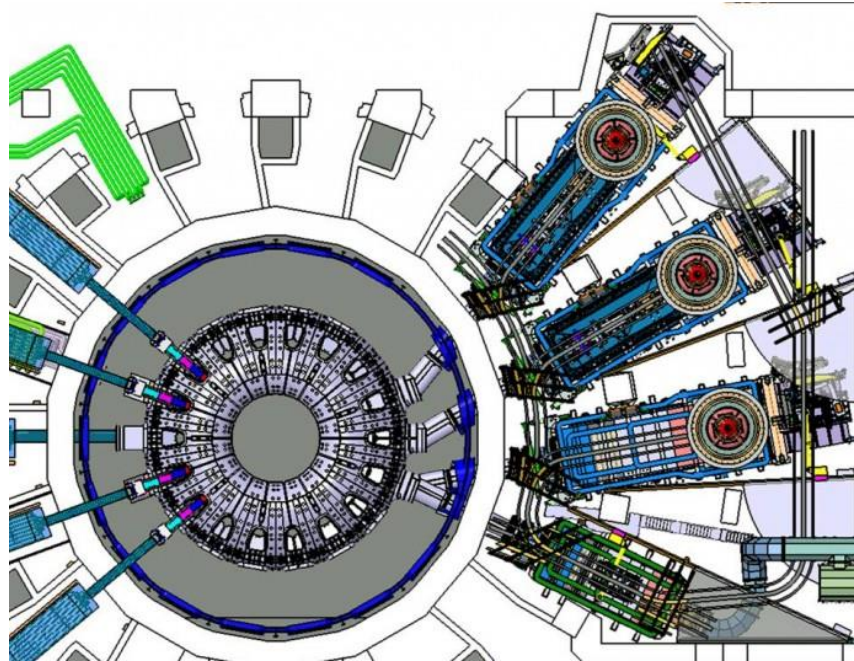


- beam components (Ion Source, Accelerator, Neutralizer, Residual Ion Dump and Calorimeter)
- other components (cryo-pump, vessels, fast shutter, duct, magnetic shielding, and residual magnetic field compensating coils)



The ITER neutral beam system: status of the project and review of the main technological issues, presented by V. Antoni

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

Neutral beam source

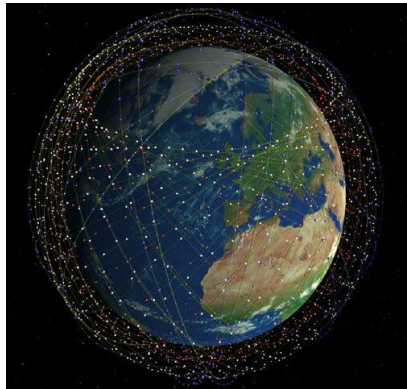


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Satellites are widely used in our daily life



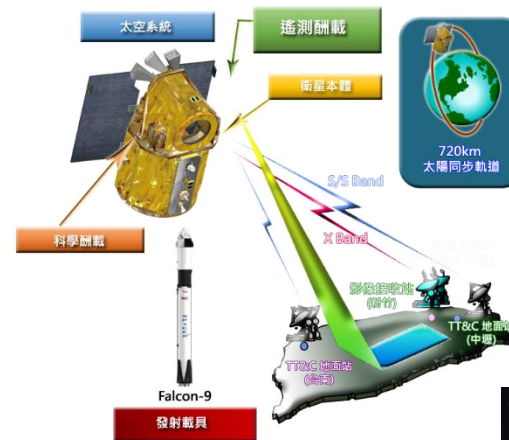
- SpaceX's Starlink – 12,000 satellites



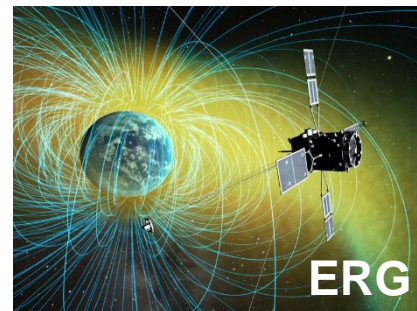
- GPS signal



- Foromsa 5 – Optical remote sensing



- Science



<https://phys.org/news/2019-05-starlink-satellites-orbiting-altitude-space.html>

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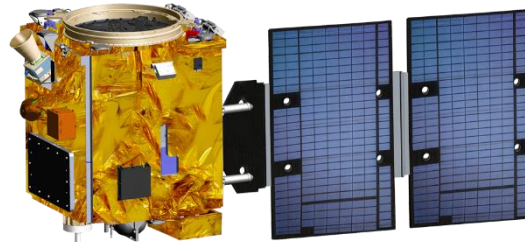
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Satellites are classified by their weights and sizes

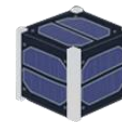


Mass	Classification
≥ 1000 kg	Large satellite
500 ~ 1000 kg	Medium satellite
≤ 500 kg	Small satellite
100 ~ 500 kg	Mini satellite
10 ~ 100 kg	Micro satellite
1 ~ 10 kg	Nano satellite
0.1 ~ 1 kg	Pico satellite
≤ 0.1 kg	Femto satellite

- Triton: 300 kg

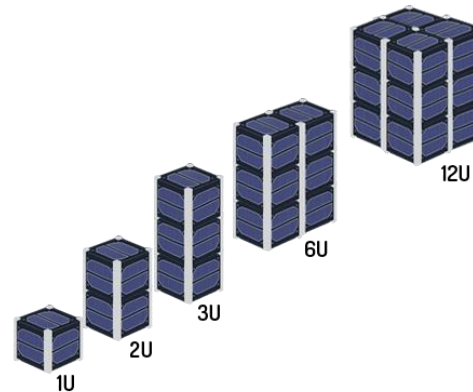


• CubeSat

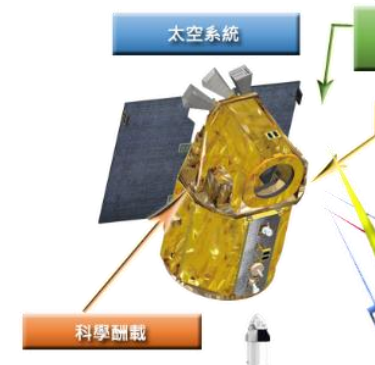


10x10x10 cm
Dimensions of a CubeSat

1.3 kg
Mass of a CubeSat



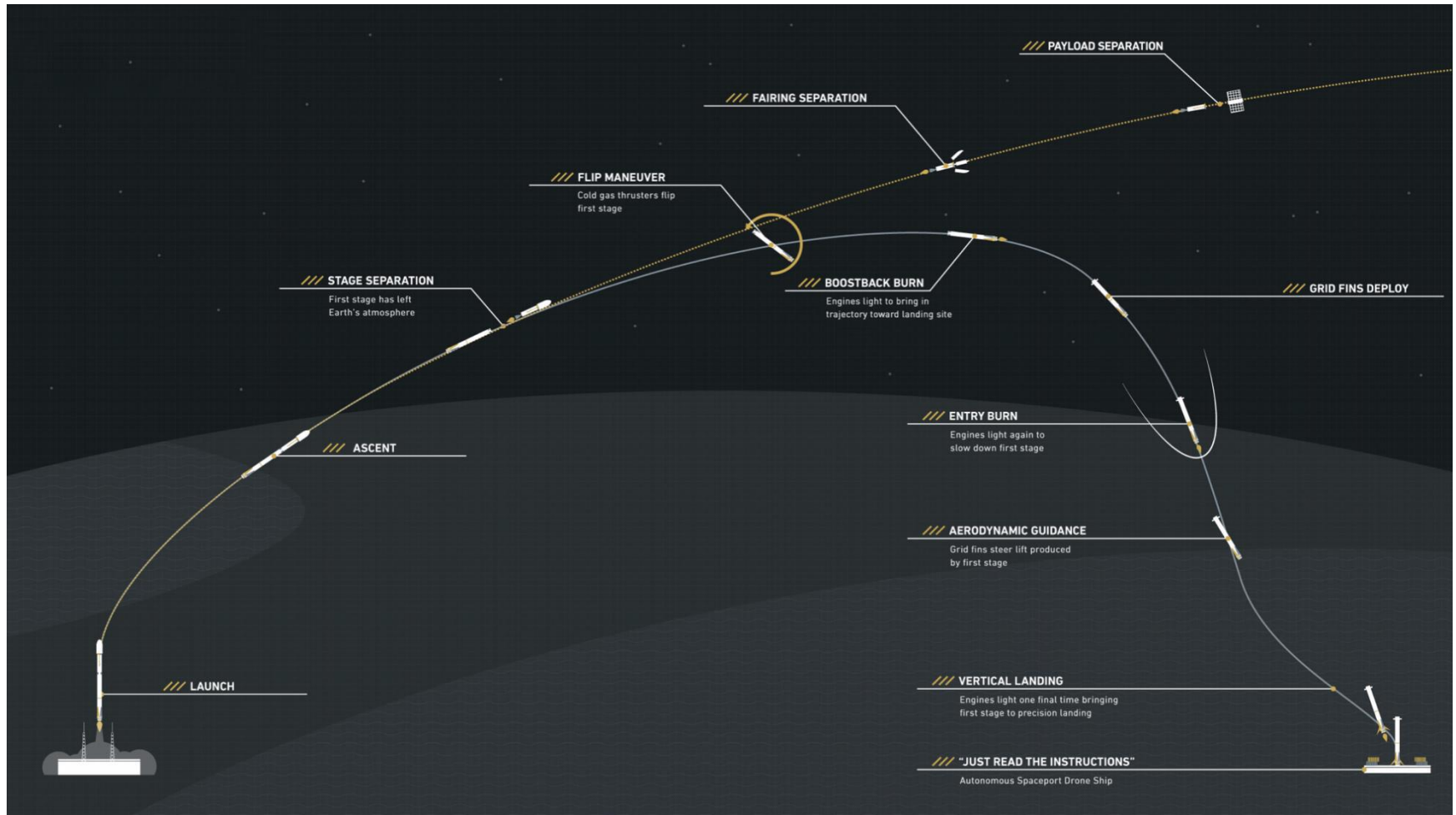
• Formosa 5: 450 kg



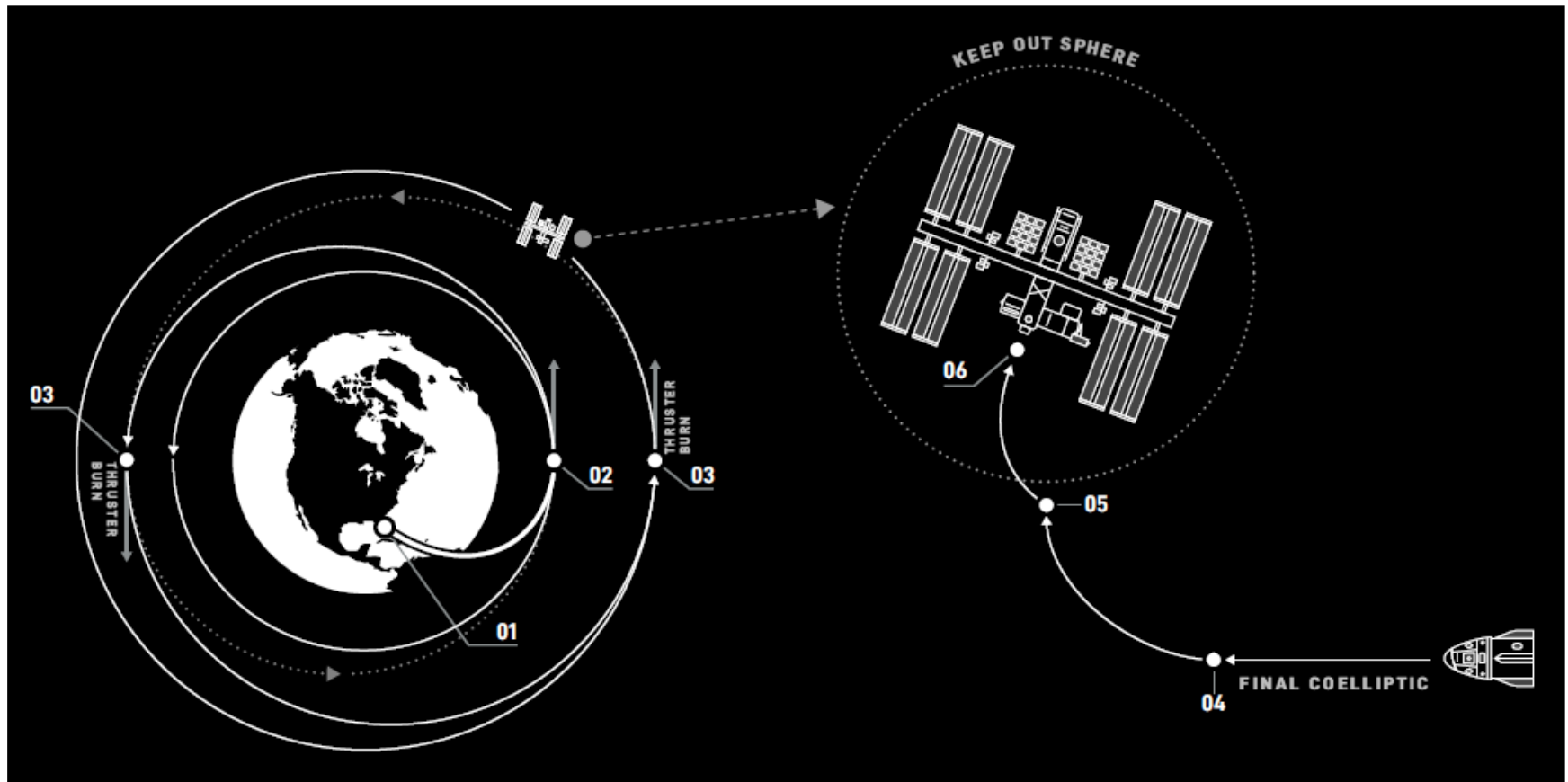
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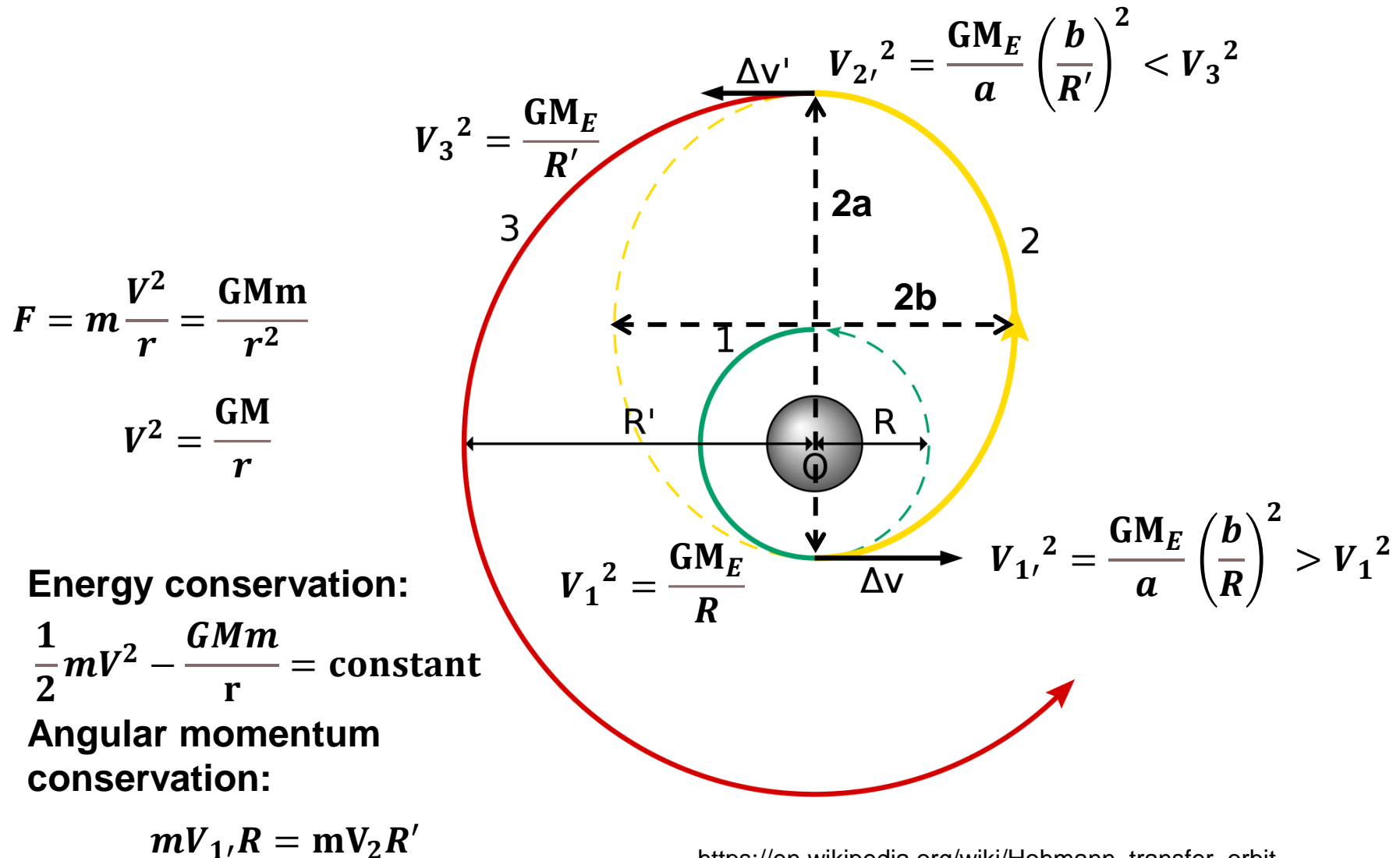
A rocket is used to deploy a satellite to orbit



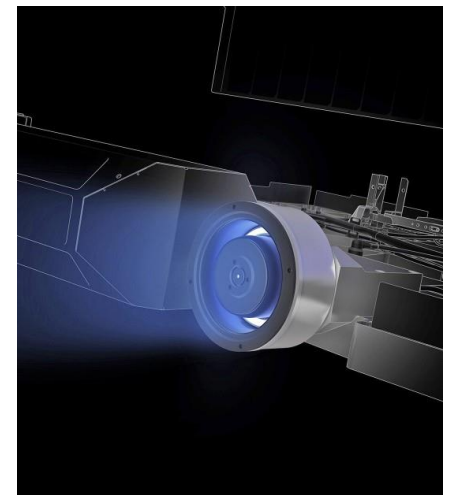
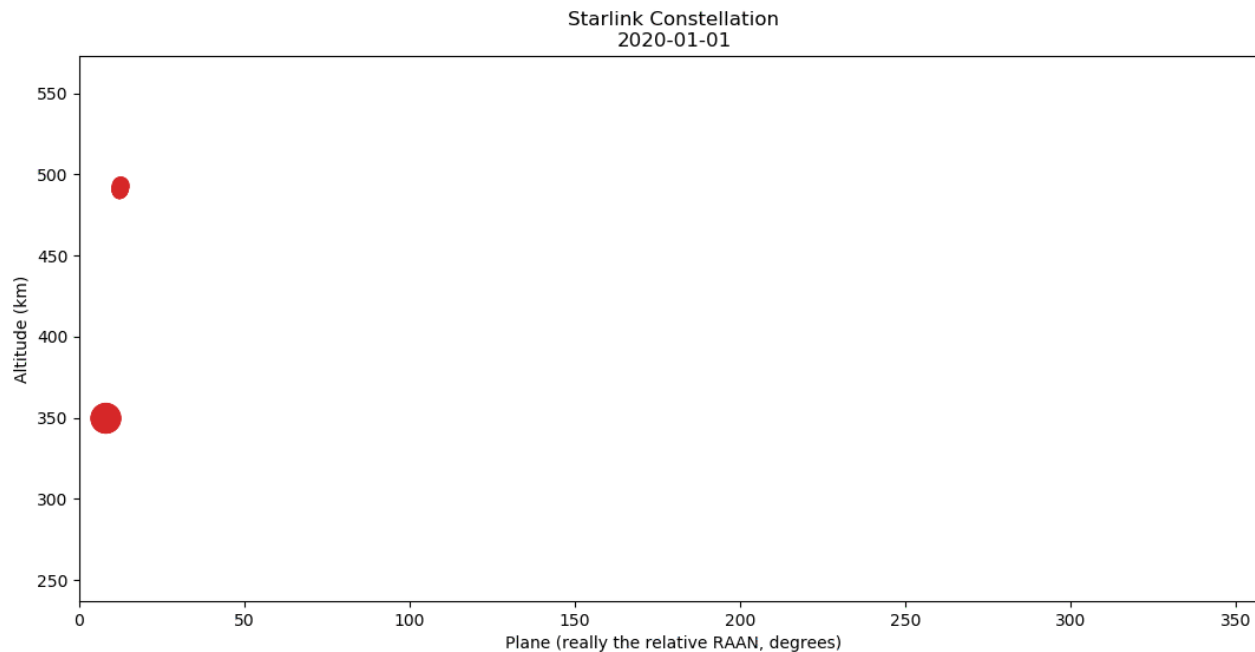
SpaceX Dragon reaches the international space station with several steps



Hohmann orbit transformation uses two impulses to transfer the vehicle between two circular orbits with different altitudes



Satellites are slowly deployed for Starlink constellation

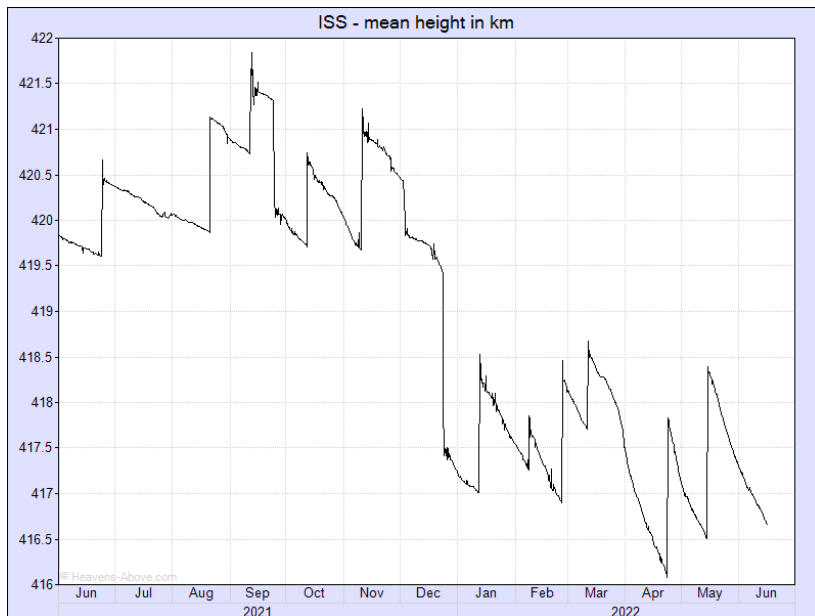


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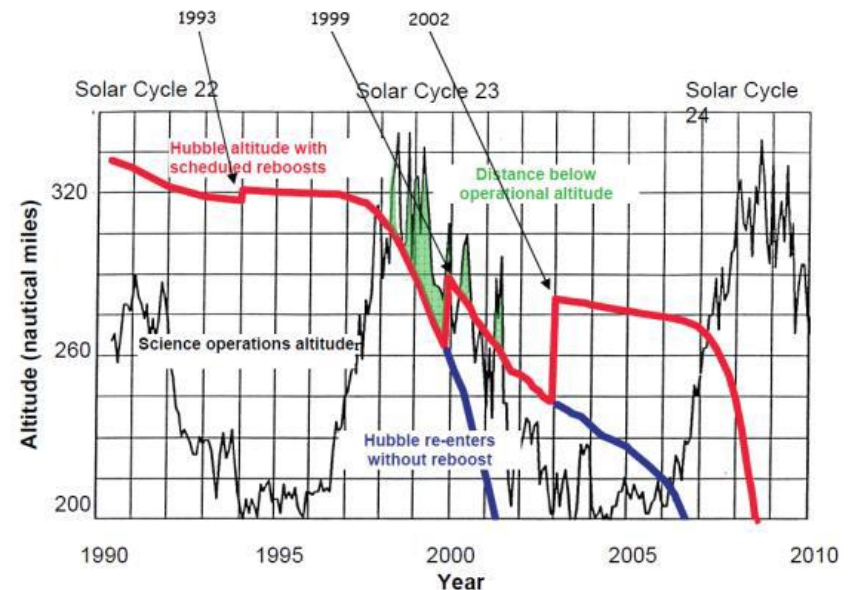
Satellite may encounter air drag so that reboost is needed to remain the altitude



- Altitude of the international space station



- Altitude of the Hubble telescope



<https://www.heavens-above.com/IssHeight.aspx>
V. Nwankwo and S. Chakrabarti, Trans. JSASS Aero. Tech. Japan 12, 47 (2014)

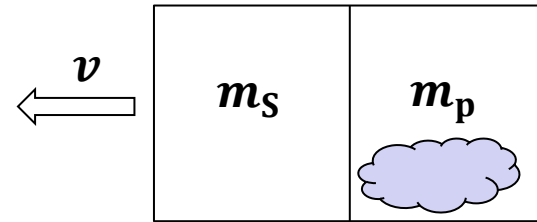
Trajectories including the gravitational force needs to be solved numerically



- Force on exhaust propellant from the thruster

$$F = \frac{d(mv)}{dt} = \frac{dm_p(v - v_{\text{ex}}) - dm_p v}{dt}$$

$$= v_{\text{ex}} \frac{dm_p}{dt} = -v_{\text{ex}} \dot{M}_p$$

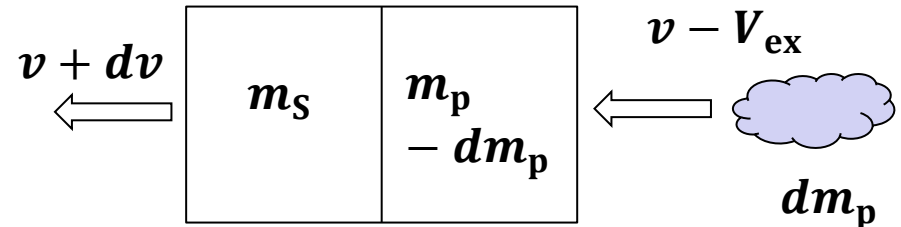


- Force on the vehicle

$$F = T - F_g = \dot{M}_p V_{\text{ex}} - \frac{GM_E m}{r^2}$$

$$\frac{d(mv)}{dt} = \dot{M}_p V_{\text{ex}} - \frac{GM_E m}{(x + r_E)^2}$$

$$m \frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{dm}{dt} v = \dot{M}_p V_{\text{ex}} - \frac{GM_E m}{(x + r_E)^2}$$



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} - \dot{M}_p \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{GM_E m}{(x + r_E)^2} = \dot{M}_p V_{\text{ex}} \\ m = M_{\text{sat}} + M_P = (M_{\text{sat}} + M_{p0}) - \dot{M}_p t \end{array} \right.$$

The final velocity of a vehicle in gravitational-free space is proportional to the exhaust velocity of the propellant



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

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

$$\cancel{Mv} = \cancel{Mv} + Mdv - \cancel{dm_p}v - dm_p dv + \cancel{dm_p}v - dm_p V_{ex}$$

$$dv \sim -V_{ex} \frac{dM}{M} \text{ where } dm_p dv \text{ is neglected and } dm_p = -dM$$

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

Specific impulse: $I_{sp} \equiv \frac{V_{ex}}{g}$

$$\Delta v = (I_{sp} \times g) \ln \left(\frac{m_s + m_p}{m_s} \right)$$

M

$$m_p = m_s [e^{\Delta v / V_{ex}} - 1]$$

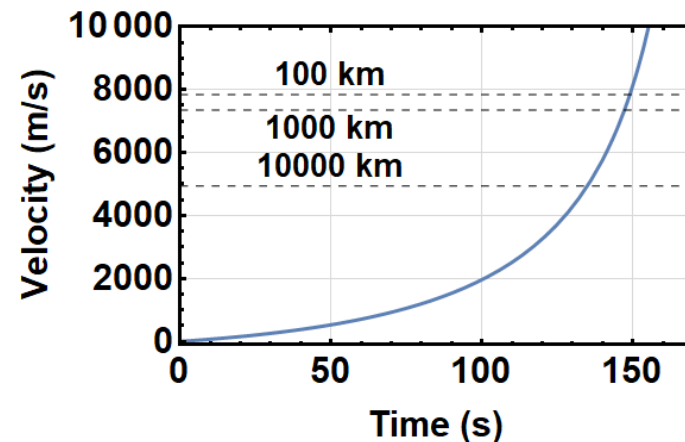
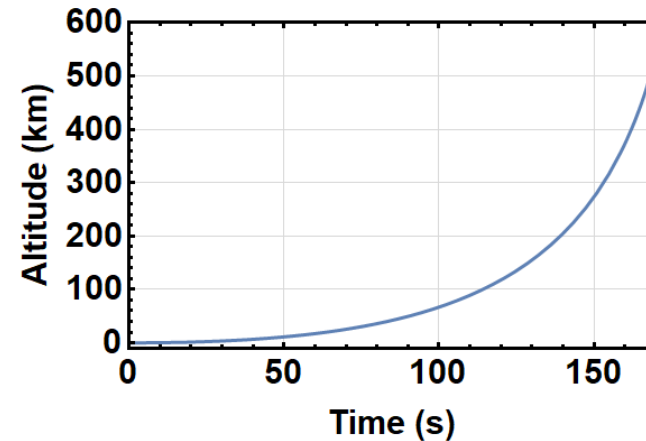
$$= m_s [e^{\Delta v / (I_{sp} \times g)} - 1]$$

- Specific impulse represents how efficient a thruster is.

A thrust larger than gravitational force is needed to bring the vehicle to the space



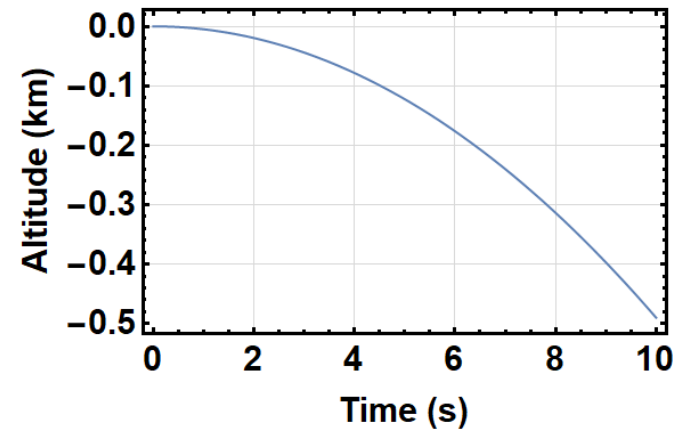
- Assumptions:
 - Only vertical motion
 - No air resistance
- Rocket (similar to Falcon 9*):
 - $M_{\text{Sat}} = 1000 \text{ kg}$
 - $V_{\text{ex}} = 3000 \text{ m/s}$ ($I_{\text{sp}} = 306 \text{ sec}$)
 - $M_p = 5 \times 10^5 \text{ kg}$
 - $\dot{M}_p = 2700 \text{ kg/s}$



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 - $\dot{M}_p = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg/s}$



An ion thruster provides much higher Δv than that provided by a rocket

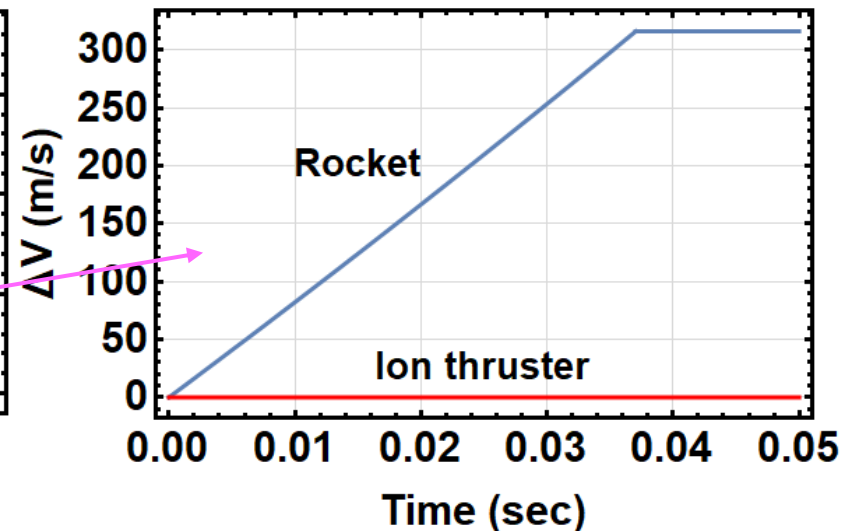
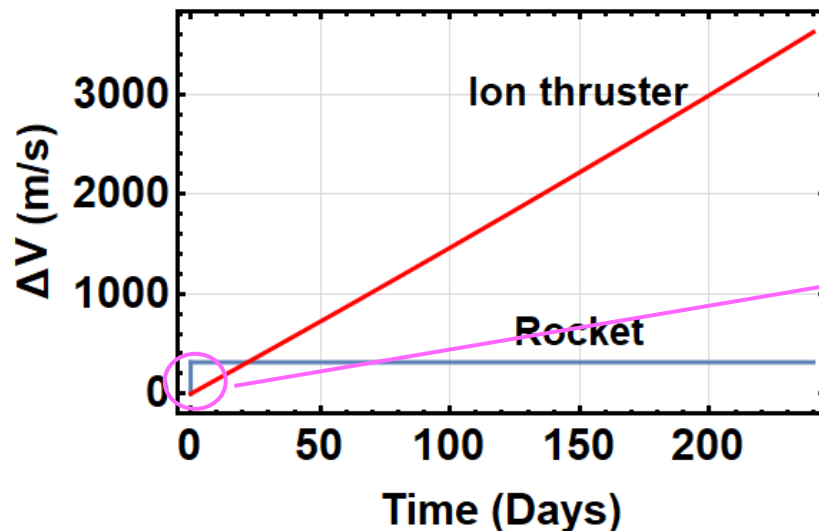


- Rocket (similar to Falcon 9*):

- $M_{\text{Sat}} = 900 \text{ kg}$
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- $M_{\text{p}} = 100 \text{ kg}$
- $\dot{M}_{\text{p}} = 2700 \text{ kg/s}$
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- $\dot{M}_{\text{p}} = 4.77 \times 10^{-6} \text{ kg/s}$
- $T_{\text{total}} = 246 \text{ days}$

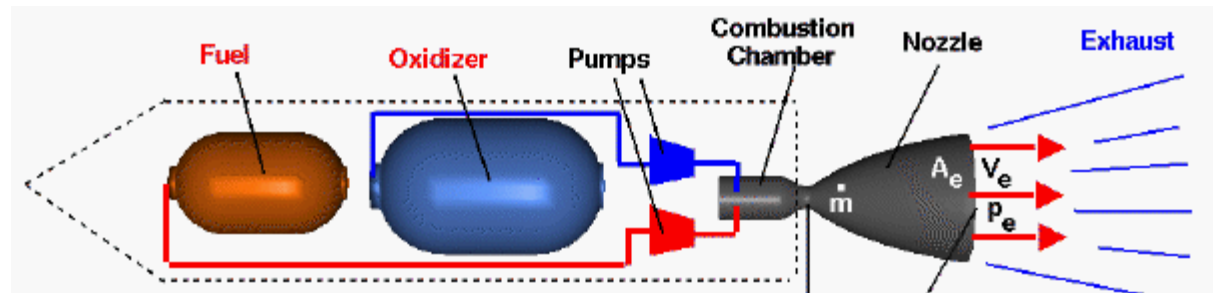


Comparison between liquid rockets and ion thrusters



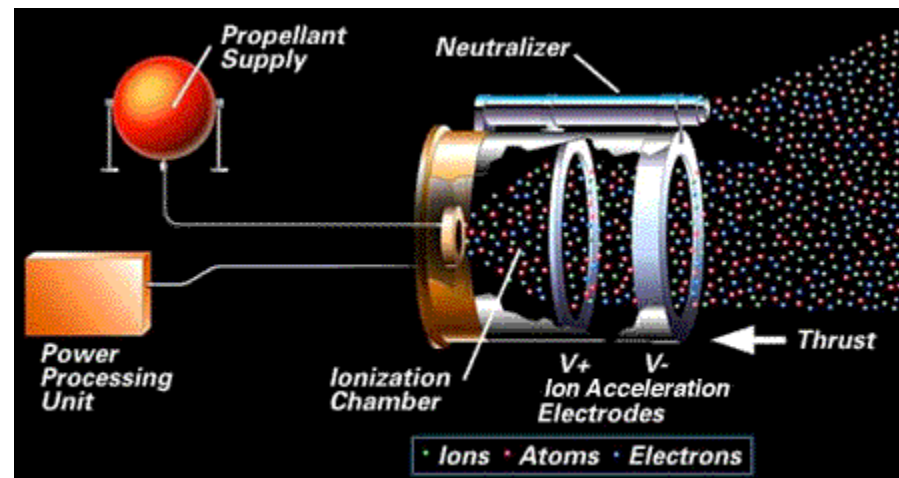
- Liquid rockets

- $u \sim 4500 \text{ m/s}$
- $I_{sp} \sim 450 \text{ s}$
- Energy $\sim 100 \text{ GJ}$
- Power $\sim 300 \text{ MW}$
- Thrust $\sim 2 \times 10^6 \text{ N}$



- Ion thrusters

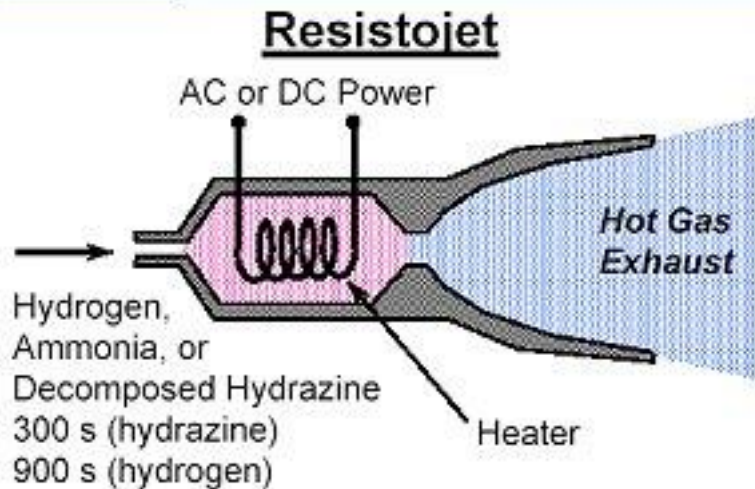
- $u \sim 30000 \text{ m/s}$
- $I_{sp} \sim 3000 \text{ s}$
- Energy $\sim 1000 \text{ GJ}$
- Power $\sim 1 \text{ kW}$
- Thrust $\sim 0.1 \text{ N}$



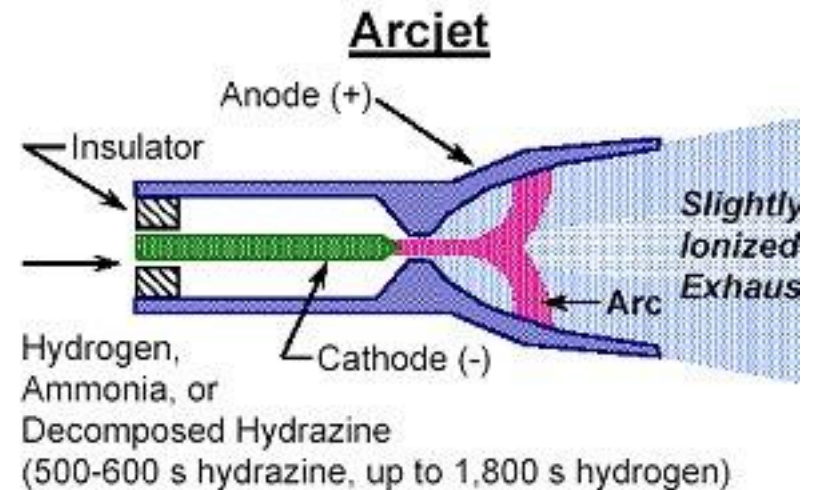
Electric thruster types - electrothermal



- **Resistojet**



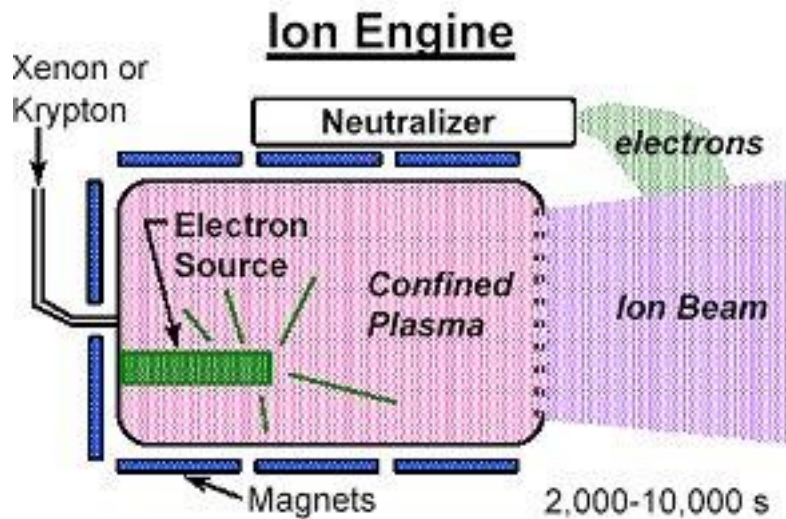
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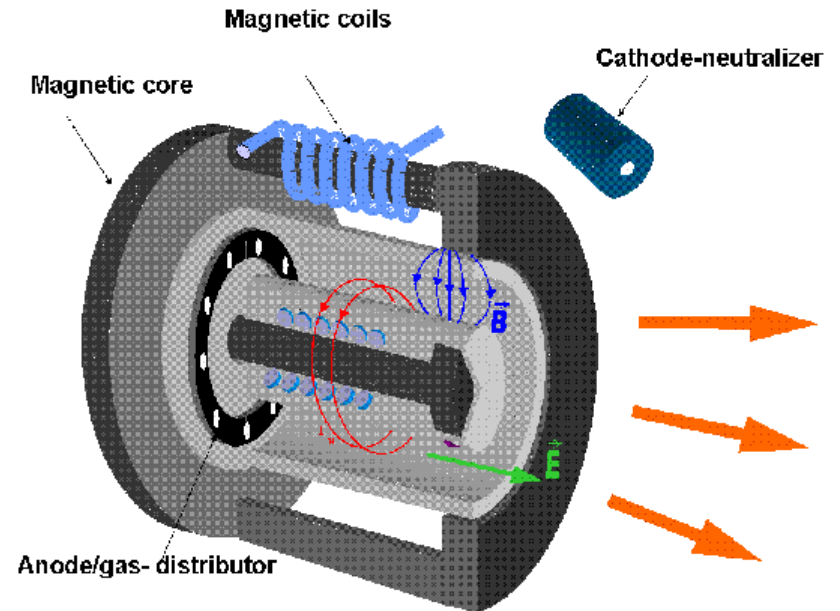
Electric thruster types - electrostatic



- Ion thruster



- Hall thruster



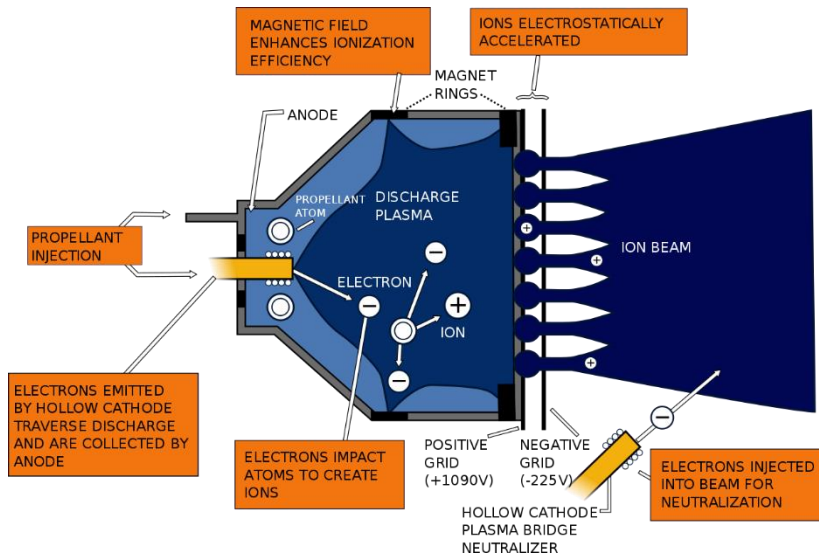
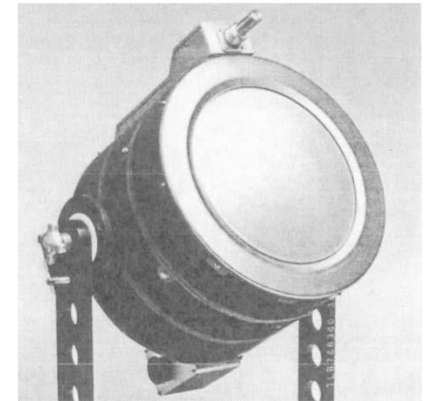
Ions are accelerated by the electric field in an ion thruster



- Ion thrusters consist of:
 - Ionization chamber – to generate ions.
 - Acceleration electrodes – to accelerate ions.
 - Neutralizer – to neutralize the ions.

$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = e\Delta V \quad v = \sqrt{\frac{2e\Delta V}{m}}$$

- 25-cm XIPS



Parameters	Performance
Diameter	25 cm
Power	4.3 kW
Isp	3550 sec
Thrust	166 mN
Beam voltage	1215 V
Beam current	3.05 A

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ion_thruster

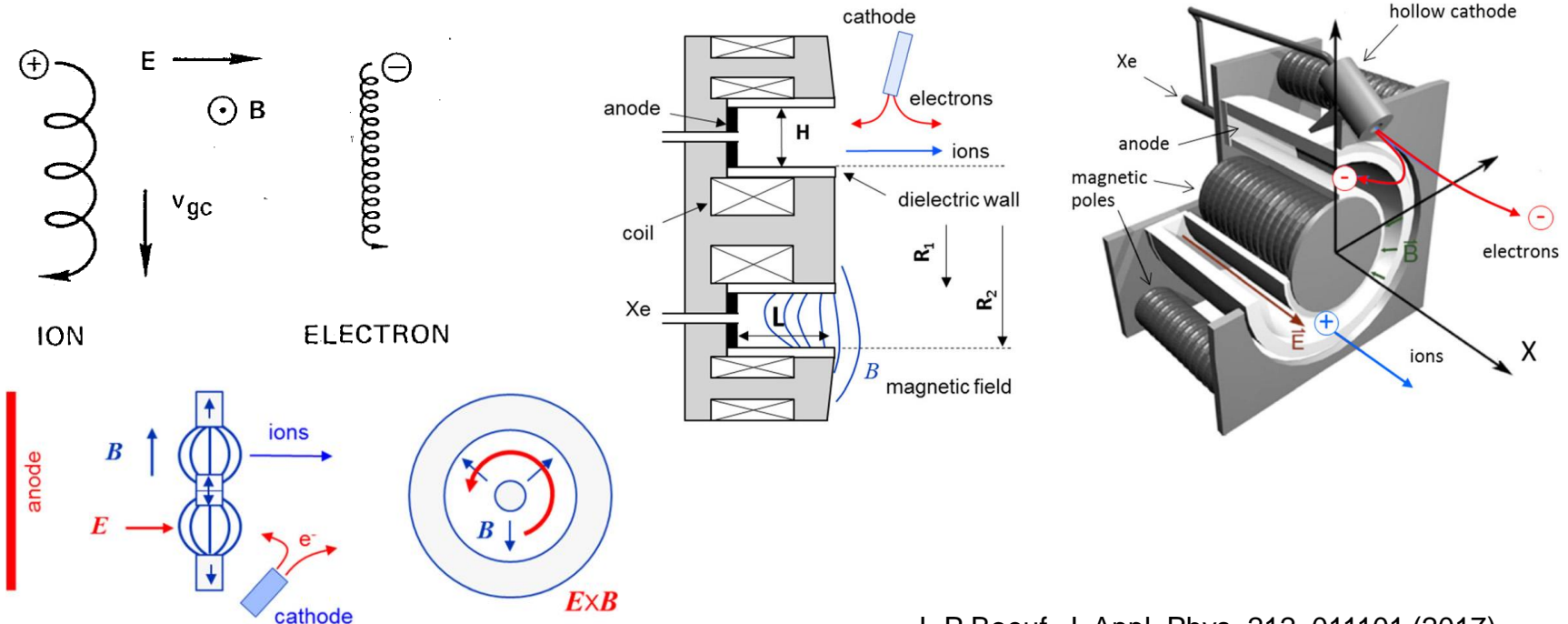
Dan M. Geobel and I. Katz, Fundamentals of electric propulsion – ion and hall thrusters

Electrons are confined by magnetic field so that ionization fraction increases in a Hall thruster



- Ion thrusters consist of:
 - Ionization chamber – to generate ions.
 - Radial magnetic field is used to confine electrons.
 - Acceleration electrodes – to accelerate ions.
 - Single electron gun is used as the neutralizer and for ionization.

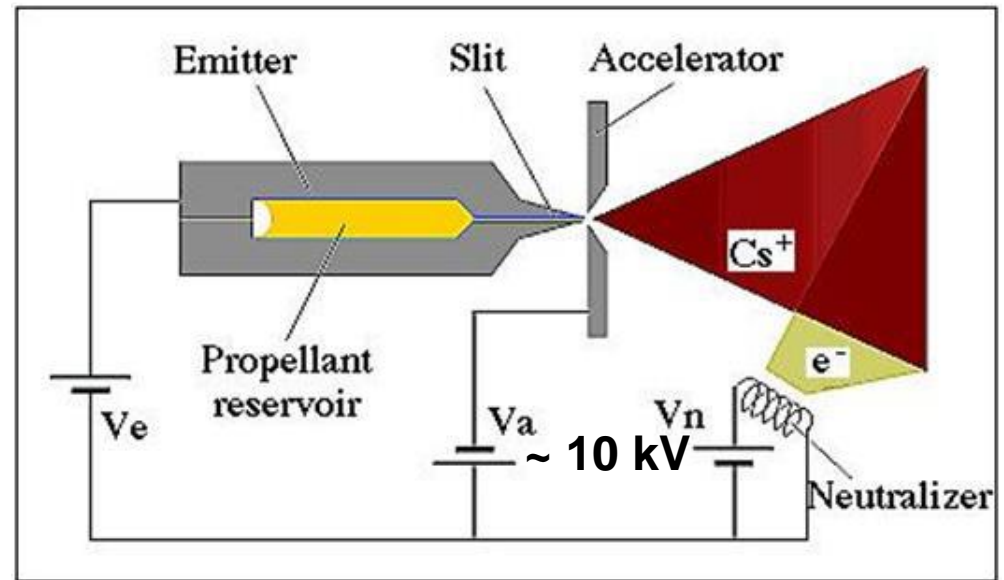
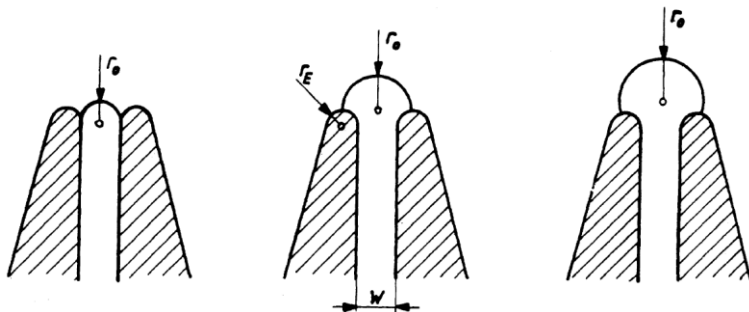
- ExB drift



Ions are ejected by strong electric field applied on a liquid metal tip in a field-emission-electric propulsion (FEEP)



- A Taylor cone is formed when the liquid metal's surface tension is balanced by the applied electric field.
- If the evaporation field strength of about 10^{10} V/m is reached at the needle tip, the liquid metal is evaporated and ionized.
- Thrust: 0.1~100 μ N.
- $I_{sp} = 1600\sim 8000$ sec.
- Power = 13 W

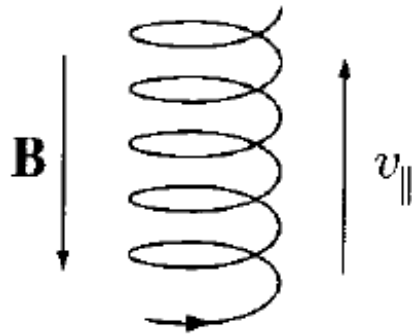


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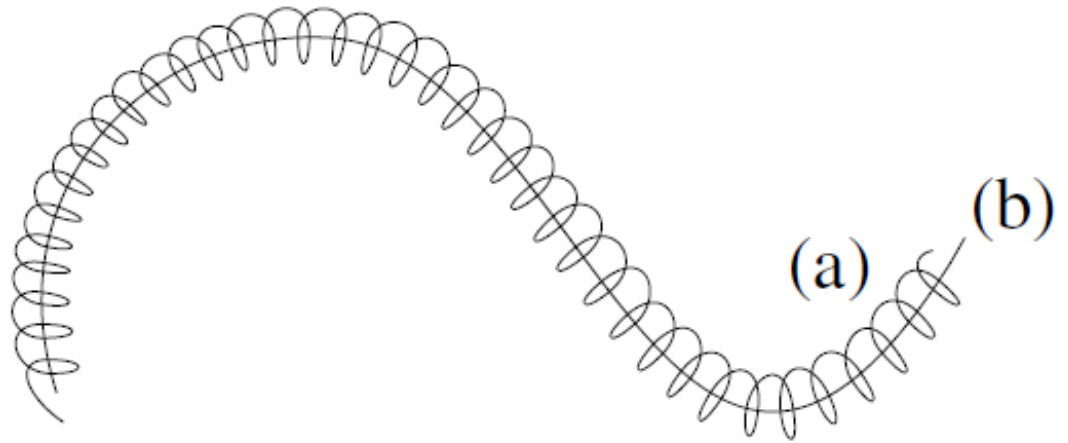
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Charged particles gyro around the magnetic fields



$$r_L = \frac{mv_{\perp}}{|q|B}$$

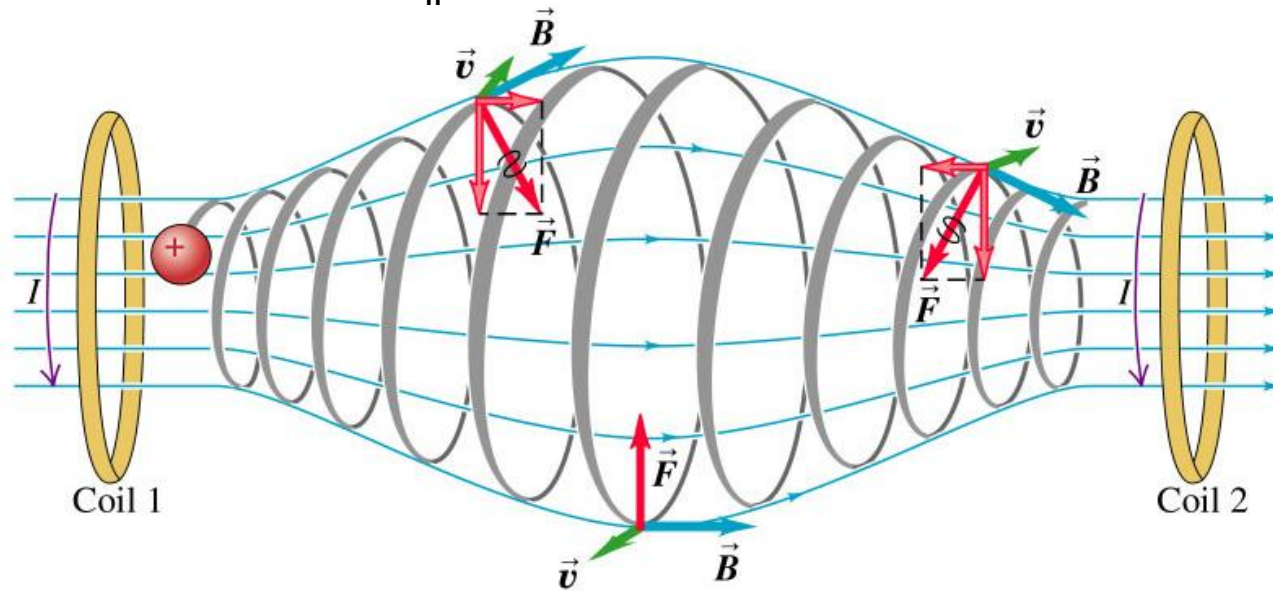
$$\vec{F} = q \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$



Charged particles can be partially confined by a magnetic mirror machine



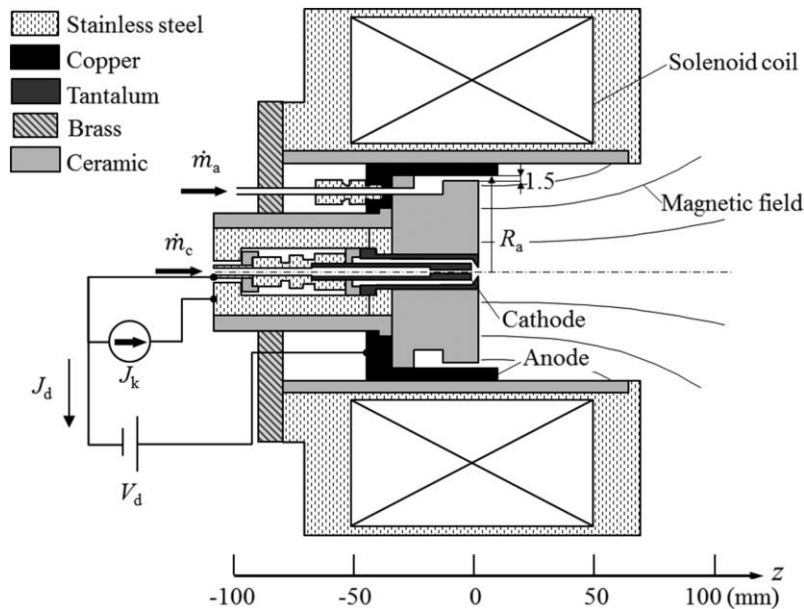
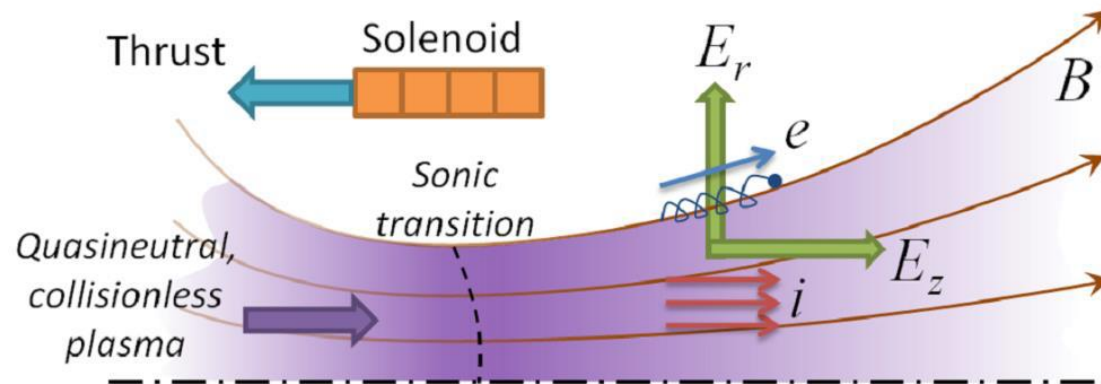
- Charged particles with small v_{\parallel} eventually stop and are reflected while those with large v_{\parallel} escape.



$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2}mv_{\parallel}^2 + \frac{1}{2}mv_{\perp}^2$$

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

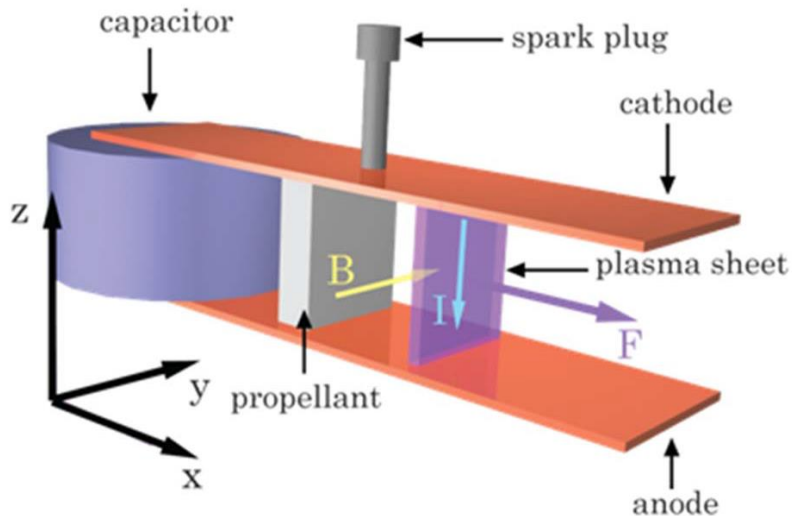
Ions are accelerated by the ambipolar electric field created by electrons in a magnetic nozzle



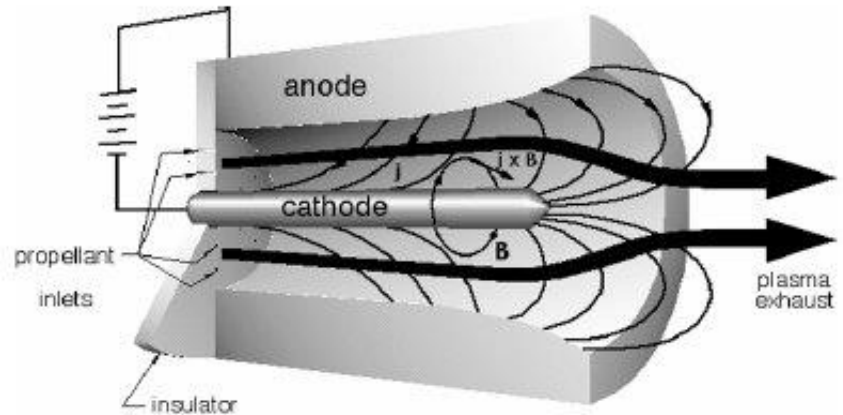
Electric thruster types - Electromagnetic



- Pulsed plasma thruster



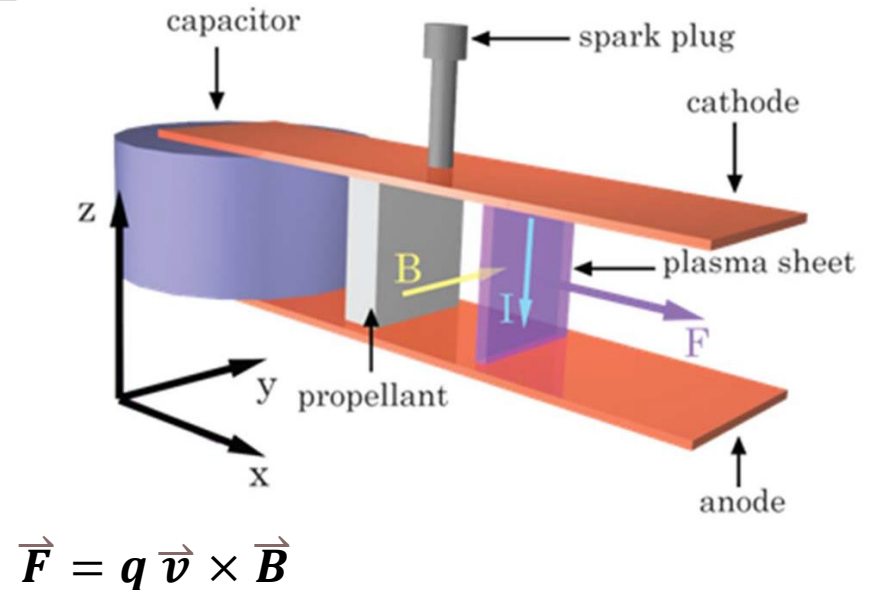
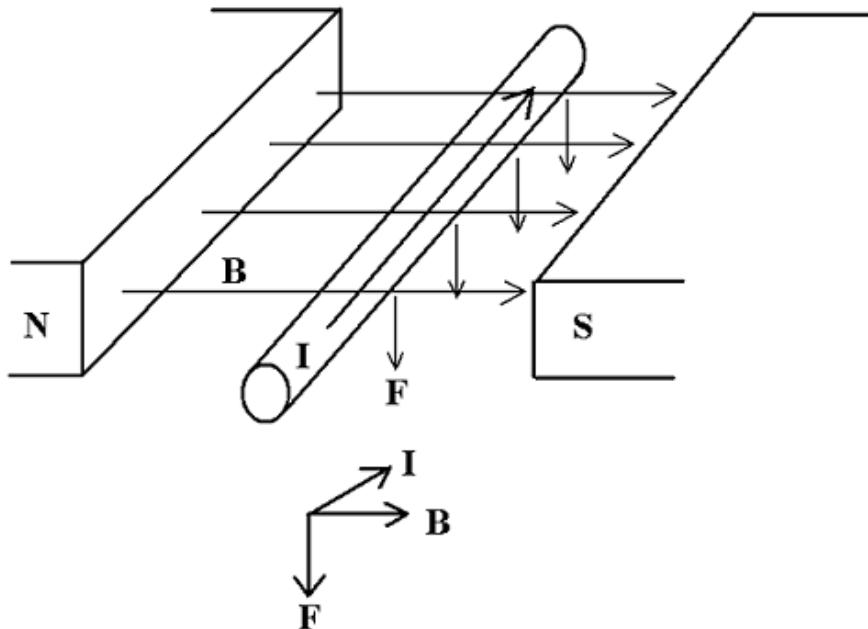
- Magnetoplasmadynamic thruster (MPD)



Current carries are accelerated by the Lorentz force in a pulsed-plasma thruster



- A pulsed-plasma thruster (PPT) is suitable for small satellite.

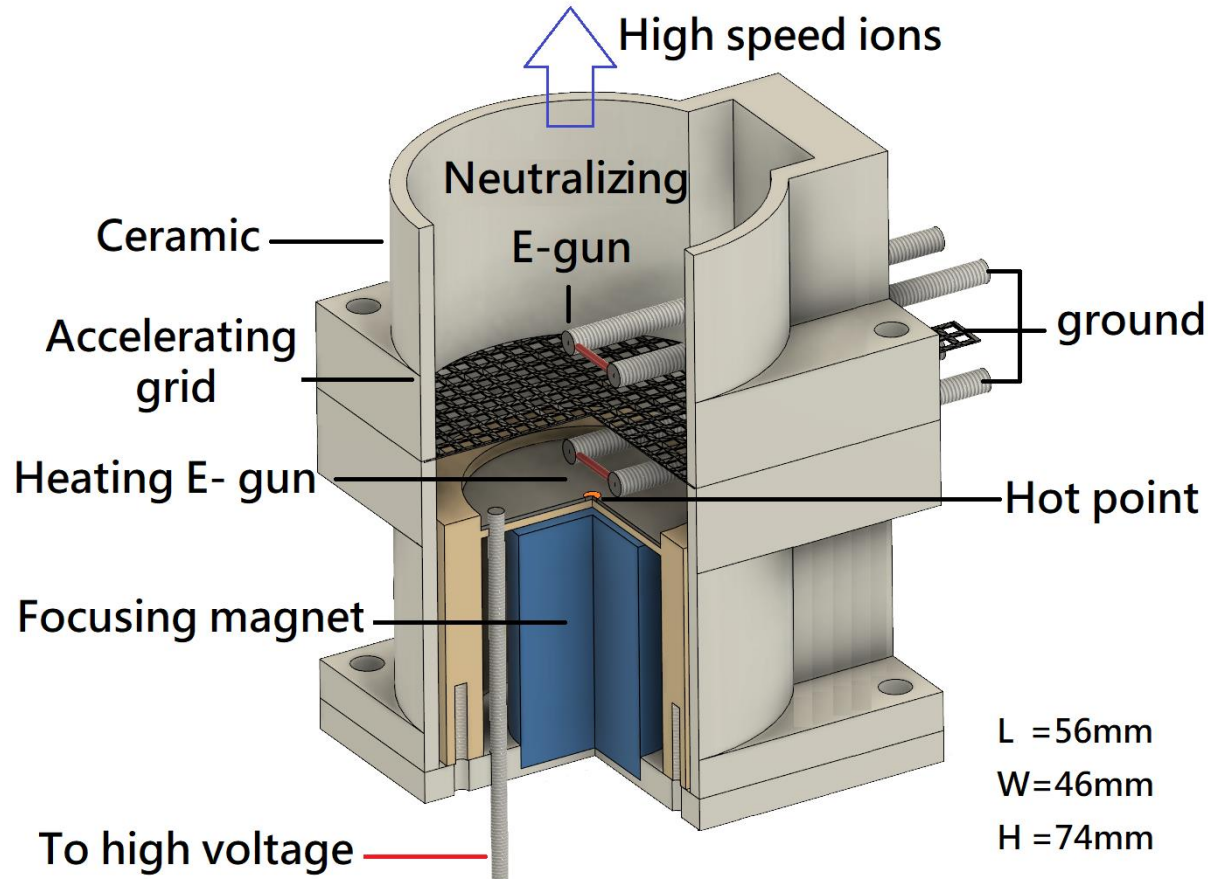


Ion thruster has the highest specific impulse (Isp)

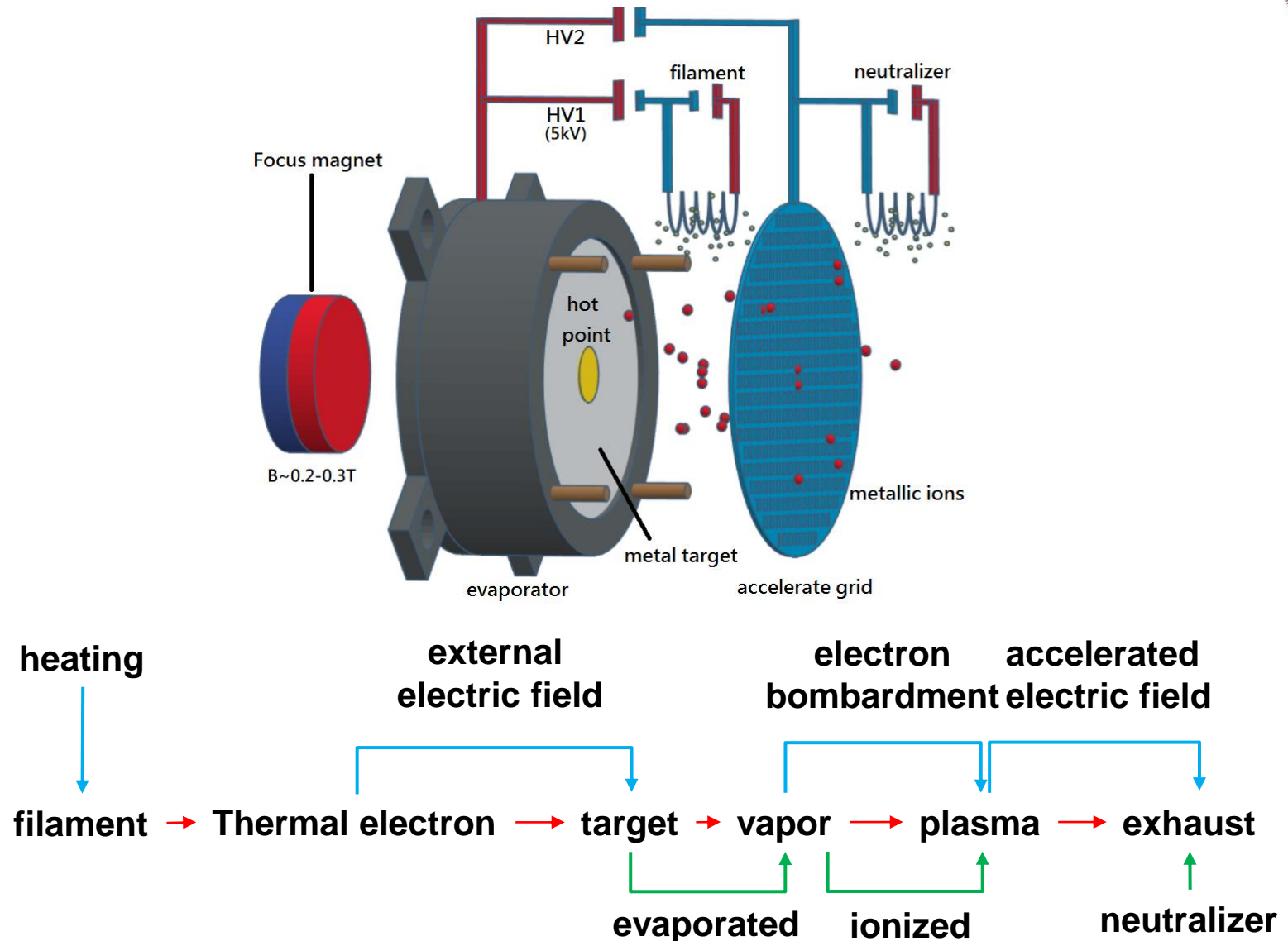


Thruster	Specific Impulse (s)	Input Power (kW)	Efficiency Range (%)	Propellant
Cold gas	50–75	—	—	Various
Chemical (monopropellant)	150–225	—	—	N ₂ H ₄ H ₂ O ₂
Chemical (bipropellant)	300–450	—	—	Various
Resistojet	300	0.5–1	65–90	N ₂ H ₄ monoprop
Arcjet	500–600	0.9–2.2	25–45	N ₂ H ₄ monoprop
Ion thruster	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

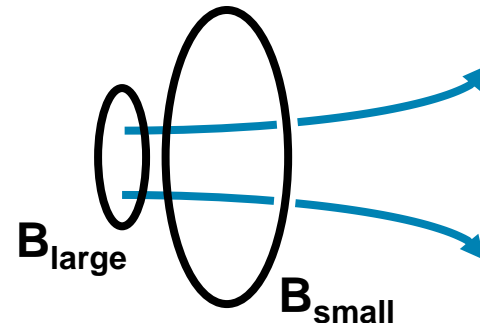
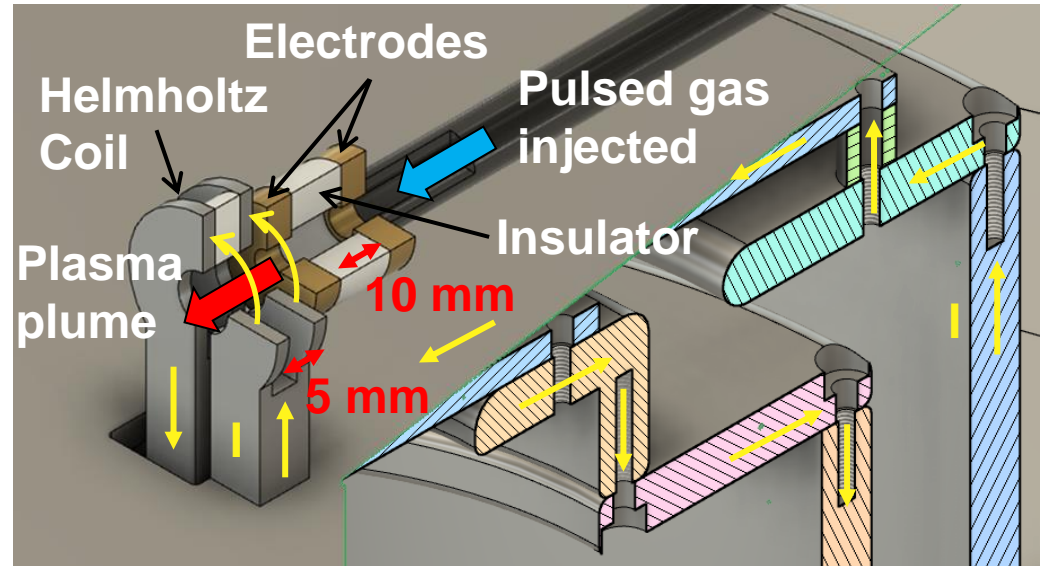
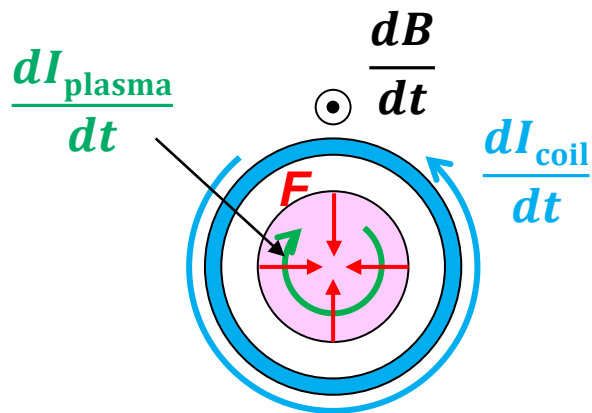
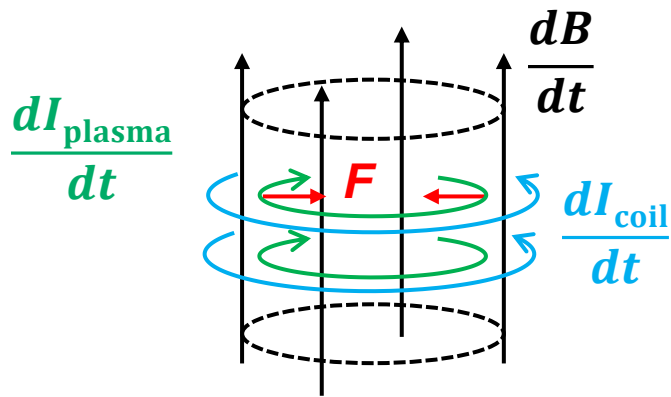
Metallic Ion Thruster Using Magnetron E-Beam Bombardment (MIT-MEB)



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

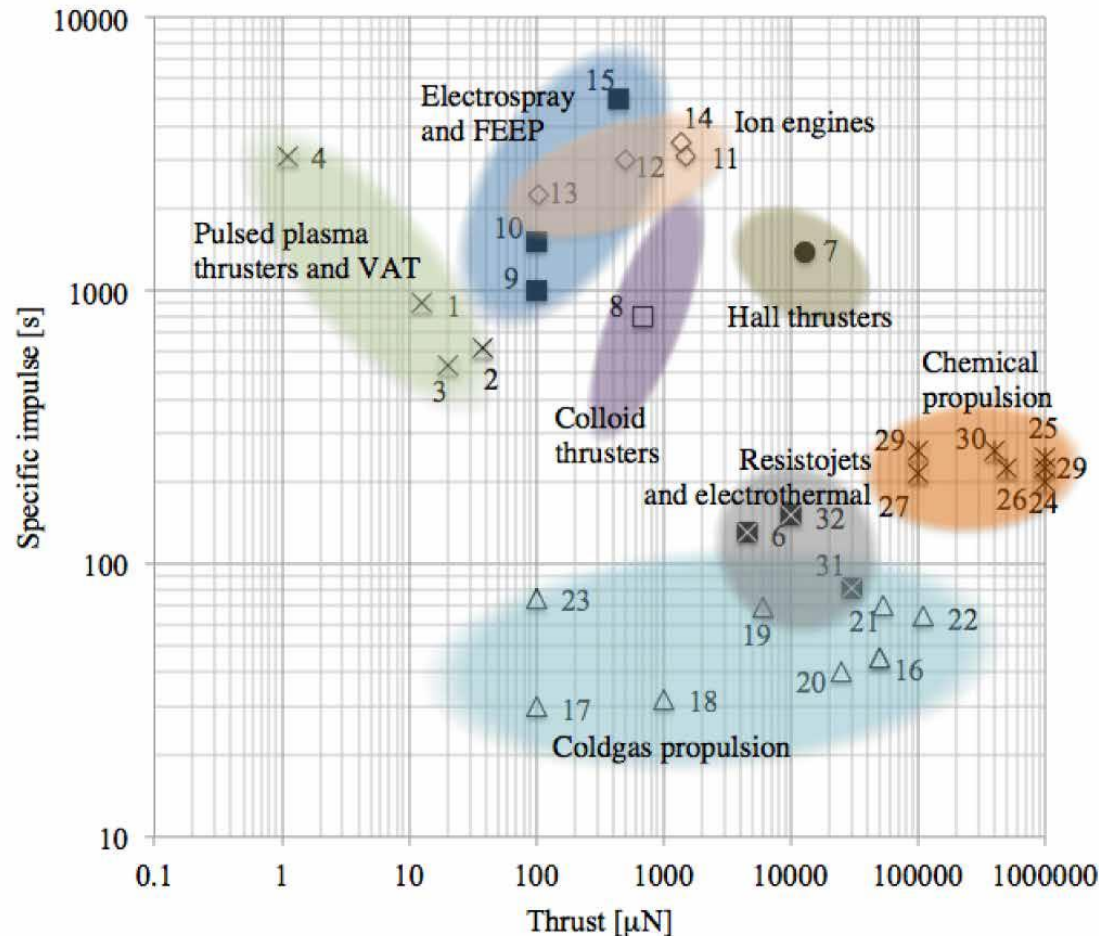


An unbalanced theta pinch can be used as the propulsion

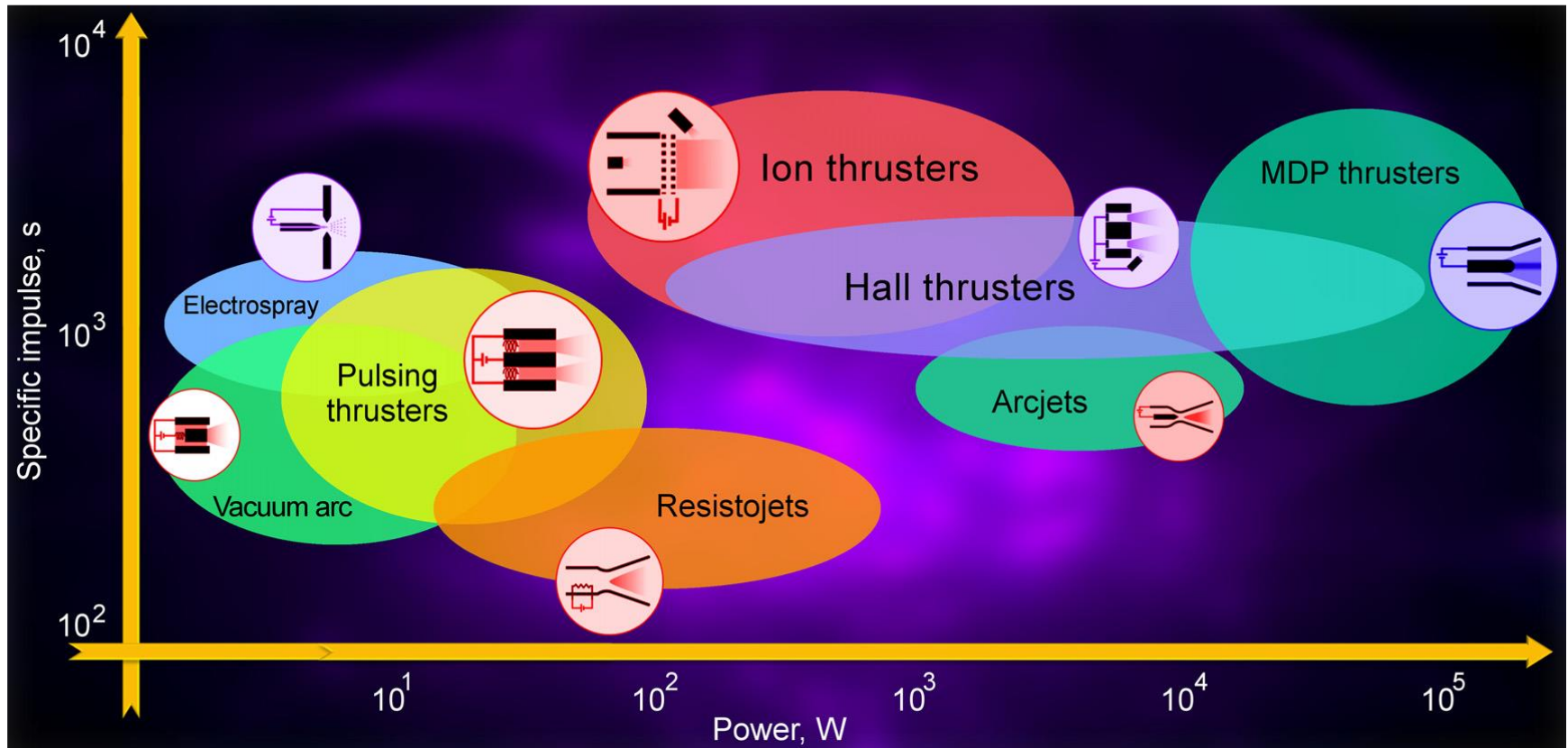


- We are looking for students who are interested in electrical propulsion.

Thrusters are picked by their specific impulses and thrusts



Thrusters are also picked by their powers



Plasma is everywhere and has many applications



- **What is a plasma?**
- **Important plasma parameters**
 - Debye length, Plasma parameter, Plasma frequency
- **DC electrical discharges**
 - Dark / glow / arc discharges
- **AC electrical discharges**
 - RF / Microwave discharges / Electron cyclotron resonance (ECR) plasma
- **Space science**
 - Aurora / Reconnection / Corona mass ejection /

Plasma is everywhere and has many applications



- **Semiconductor device fabrication**
 - etching / deposition / implantation
- **Plasma medicine – dielectric barrier discharge (DBD)**
- **Nuclear fusion**
 - MCF / ICF / Innovation
- **Neutral beam source**
 - Neutral beam injection (NBI) / Electric propulsion
- **High energy particle accelerator**
- **Pulsed-power system in ISAPS, NCKU**

Course Outline



4. Demonstration

- a. Planeterrella
- b. Magnetron sputtering
- c. Dielectric barrier discharge (DBD)
- d. Magnetic mirror
- e. Tesla coil



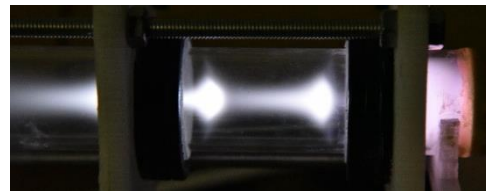
Planeterrella



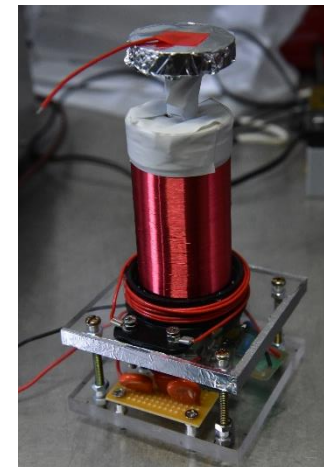
Magnetron sputtering



DBD plasma

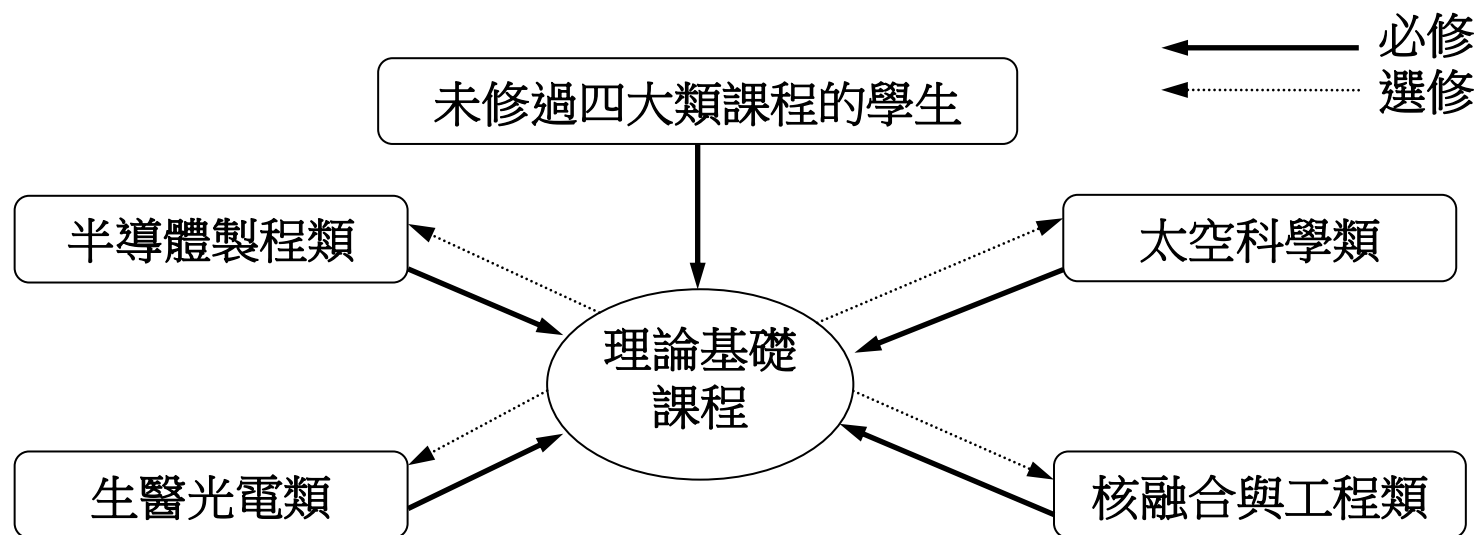


Magnetic mirror



Tesla Coil

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 - Laboratory astrophysics and space sciences
 - EUV light generation
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Grading



- **Presentations 40 %**
- **Final report 60 %**
 - **Pick a plasma application or plasma application/phenomenon.**
 - **Explain in details how the application/phenomenon works.**
 - **Where the application/phenomenon is used or occurs?**
 - **How is the plasma generated in the application/phenomenon?**
 - **What role does the plasma play in the application/phenomenon?**
 - **The writing part of the report needs to be longer than two full pages with font size 14 and single-line spacing.**
 - **Please send your report to Prof. Chang's email address: pchang@mail.ncku.edu.tw**

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