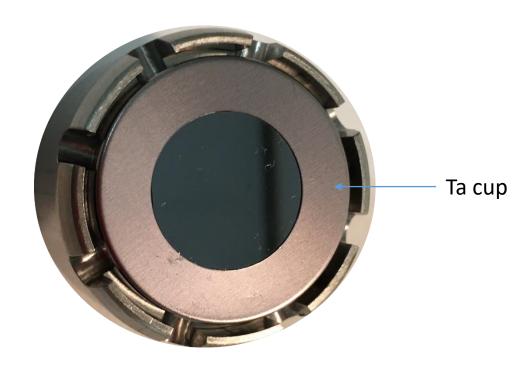
Findings about the photocathode position inside the cathode electrode

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- We inserted each photocathode into the cathode electrode and measured the recessed length.
- Then took out the puck and measured the distance from Ta cup to the outer crown of the puck.
- Then took out the GaAs wafer and measured the thickness.

Photocathode type	Distance from GaAs surface to front of the cathode surface (full recessed length) [mm]	Distance from Ta cup to the outer crown of the puck [mm]	Substrate thickness [mm]
60 min	0.9525	0.3175	0.457
90 min	0.8255	0.5334	0.330
30 min	0.6985	0.5715	0.356
Moly	Didn't measure. It has a small curvature that comes out of the surface due to the polishing.	0.0000	0.889

- Due to the Pierce geometry, it is hard to measure the recessed length.
- Also, the activated area could be a bit expanded due to the oxidization (~0.01 mm).
- The photocathode we used for the beam size and rotation angle measurements is a full activated one which we don't have anymore.



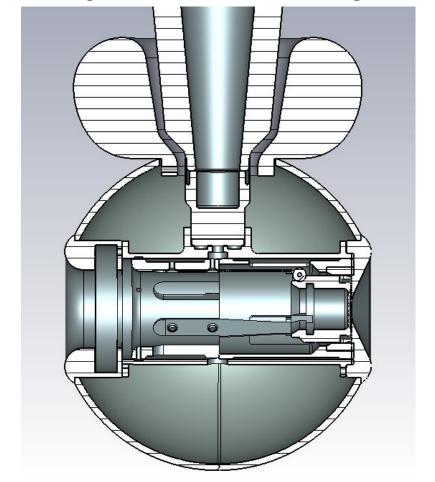
GaAs 90 min Moly



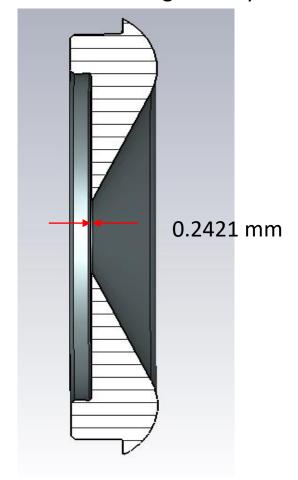
There is a visible space in between photocathode and cathode front



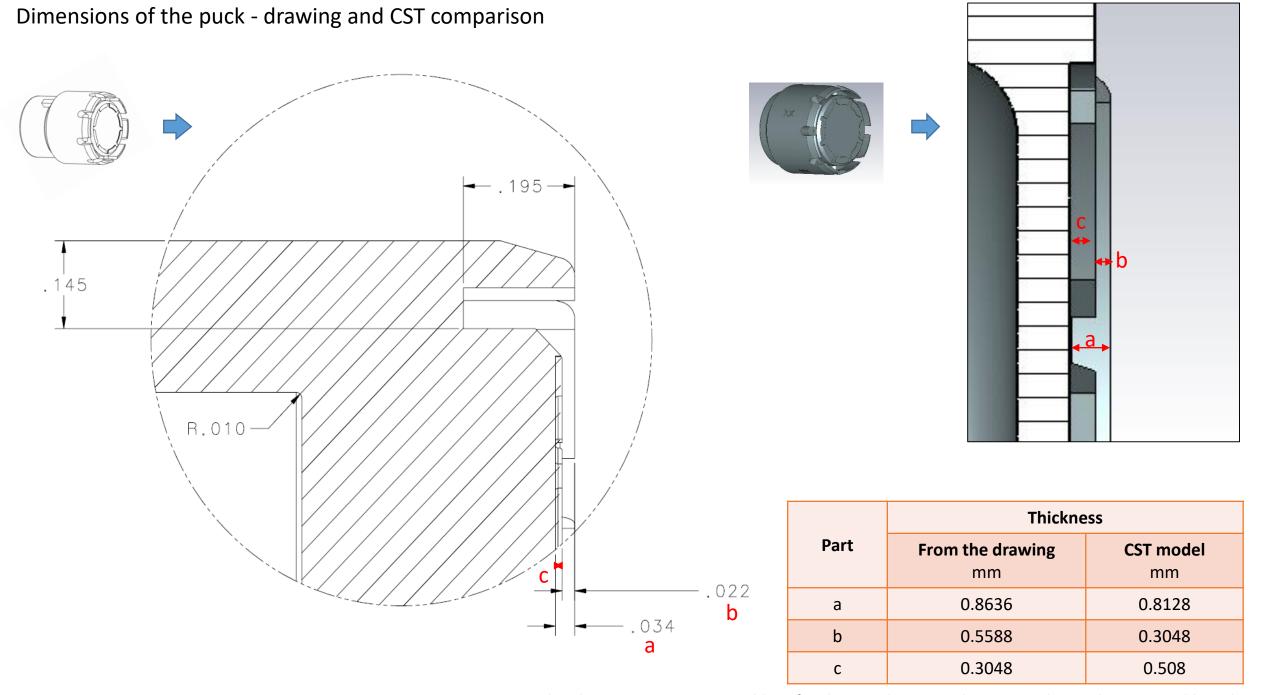
Original CST model of the GTS gun



Thickness of the Pierce geometry front

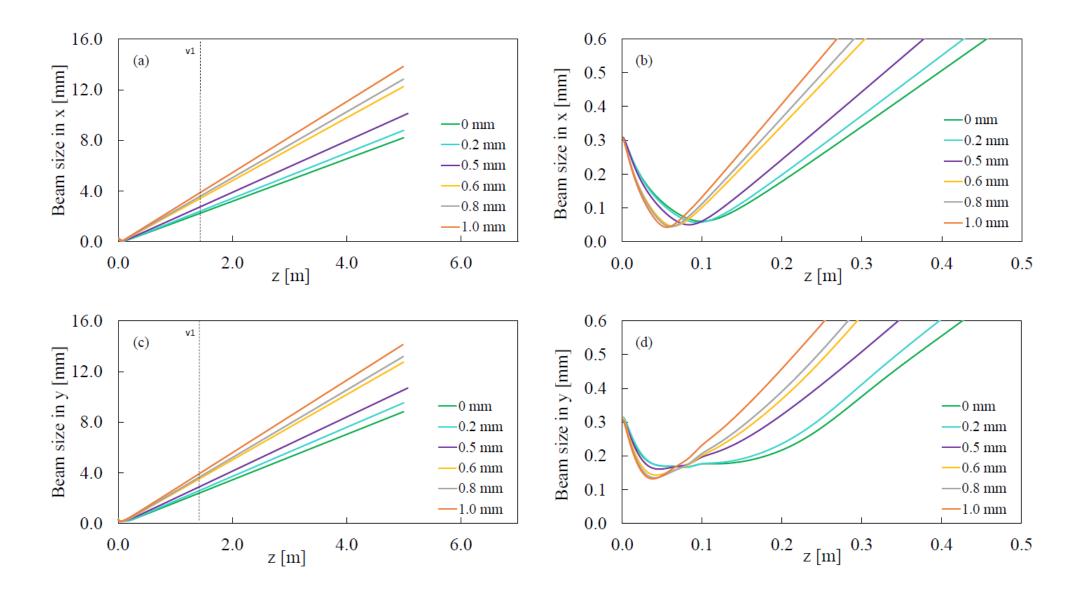


- Thickness of the Ta cup = 0.3505 mm
- Ta cup + Pierce geometry front thickness = 0.5926 mm
- When a photocathode perfectly fits with the cathode electrode without any space in between, the photocathode is 0.5926 mm recessed from the cathode surface which we have to modify in our CST model.

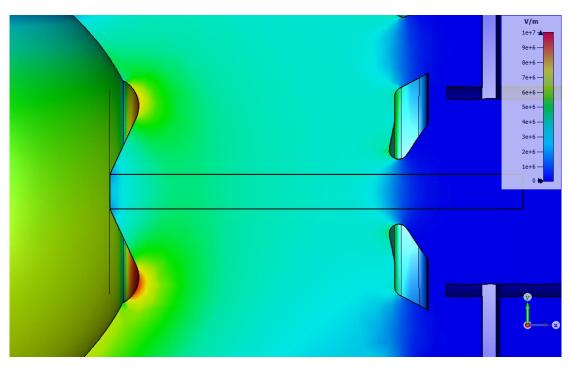


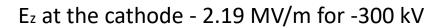
This discrepancy is not a problem for the simulations as long as we know the recessed length.

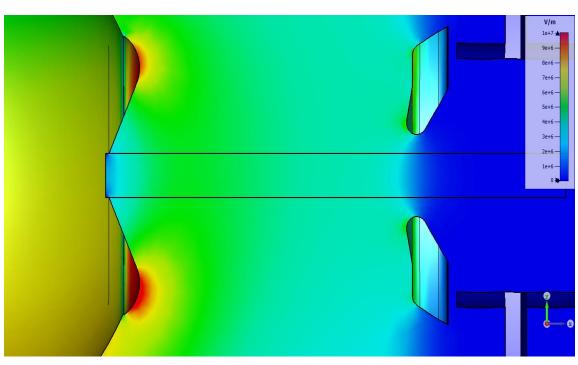
From 0 - 0.5 m



original 1 mm recessed

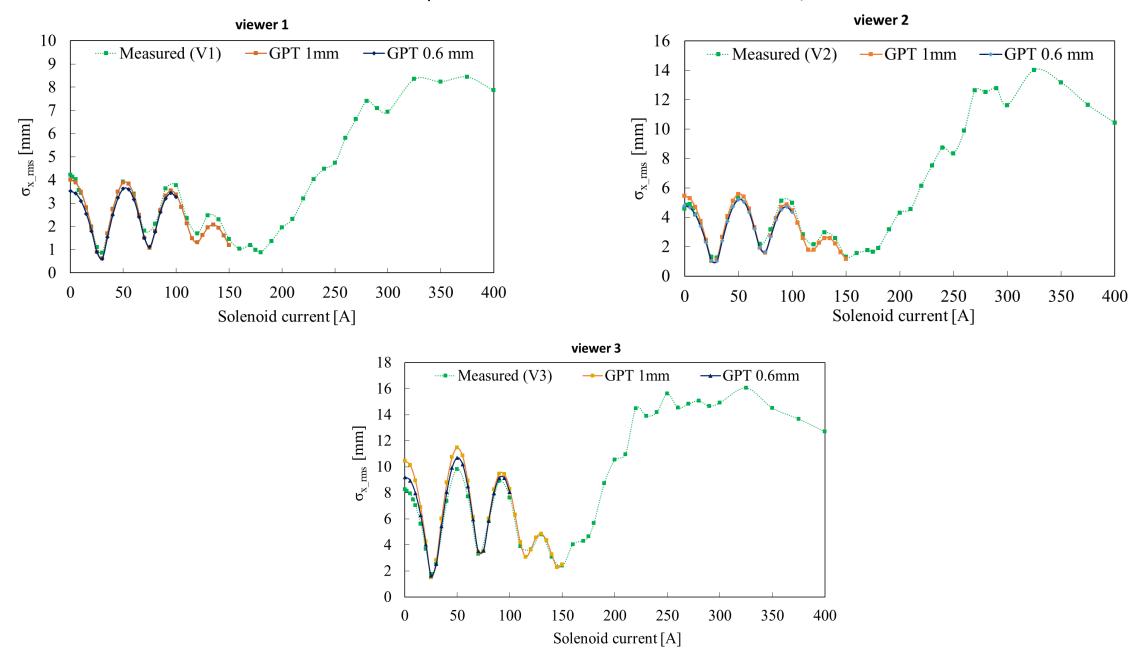






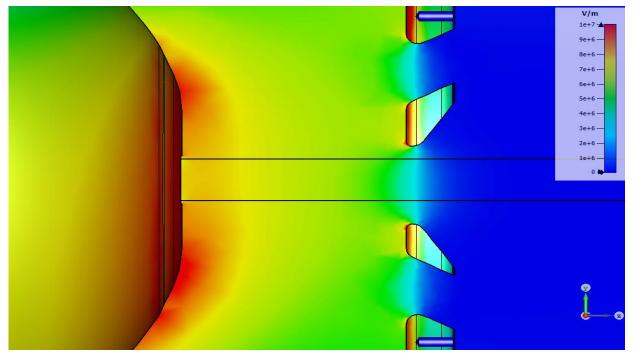
 E_z at the cathode - 1.67 MV/m for -300 kV

Beam size variations with the solenoid current (Measured value on the three viewers, 1 mm recessed and 0.6 mm recessed)

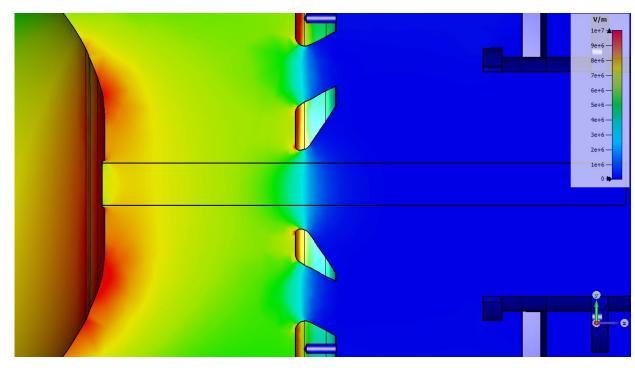


For the flat cathode front

Original (which is already 0.4 recessed from the design)



0.6 mm recessed



 E_z at the cathode – 6.70 MV/m for -300 kV

 E_z at the cathode – 6.21 MV/m for -300 kV

From 0 - 0.5 m

