



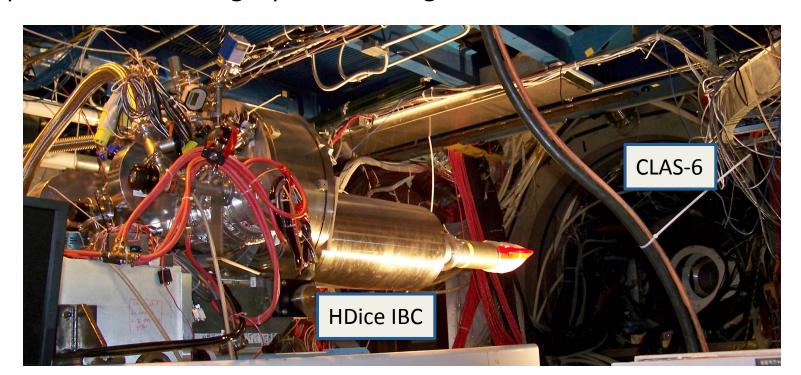
Outline

- Brief overview of HDice
- Lessons learned from 2012 eHD tests
- Why can we use MeV-scale electrons?
- Challenges of using MeV electrons with IBC
- Beam requirements for eHD at UITF
- Remaining tasks



What is HDice?

- A new type of frozen spin target.
- Target material consists solely of polarizable protons and deuterons
 no dilution factor coming from the target material.
- Target material possesses a T1 (relaxation time) on the order of years
 no repolarization needed.
- Is a very complicated target system requiring many steps in the production of a single polarized target cell.





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C1 -> requires successful demonstration to Lab management of viable performance in a subsequent eHD test runs



2012 eHD Test in Hall B

- Results attributed to three possible depolarization mechanisms:
- 1) Beam-induced chemical changes
 - HD molecule is ionized and becomes highly reactive
 - A chain of reactions begin:
 - → Temperature spikes occur from "recombination flashes"
 - Also seen in g14 photon runs (from e⁺ e⁻ pairs) with low frequently but with no apparent effect.
 - → Buildup of ortho-H₂ which can shorten T1 of material
 - Analysis of gas after 1nA-week in beam showed no large increase of ortho-H₂ (measurements had limited resolution)



2012 eHD Test in Hall B

- Results attributed to three possible depolarization mechanisms:
- 2) Hyperfine mixing of unpaired electrons with H (or D) spins
 - Electrons polarized by holding field possess spins opposite to H
 - Hyperfine mixing dilutes H polarization
 - Depolarization first occurs locally, depolarization spreads
 - Temperature independent (function of B⁻²)

Solution:

Use RF to align H (or D) spins with electron spins to prevent this mixing.



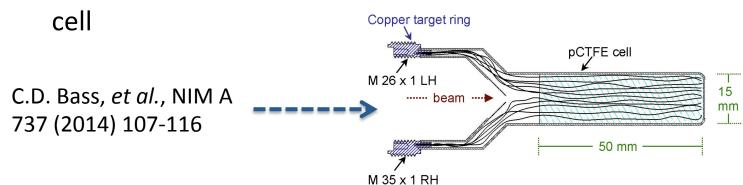
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 - 3) Beam unpairs 1s molecular electrons in target material
 - Electron(s) may be unpolarized (depends on temperature)
 - If unpolarized (or has low polarization), flips with frequency that has harmonics at nuclear Larmor frequencies of H and D
 - Depolarization of local HD begins
 - Depolarization spreads to rest of HD crystal

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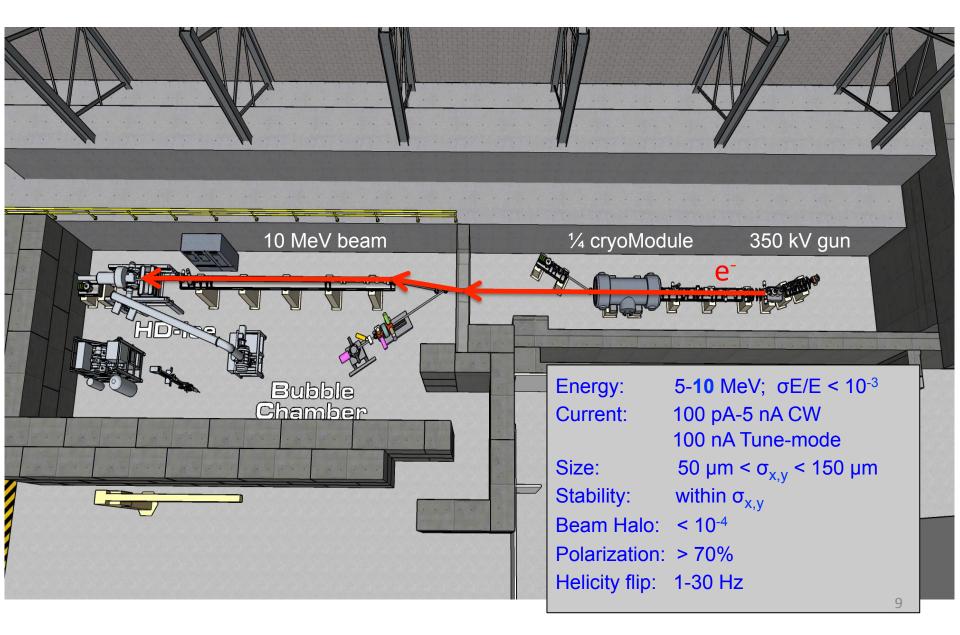
Suppress this effect through mitigation of beam heating.

→ Faster Raster, shorter Al wires, higher purity Al, smaller HD



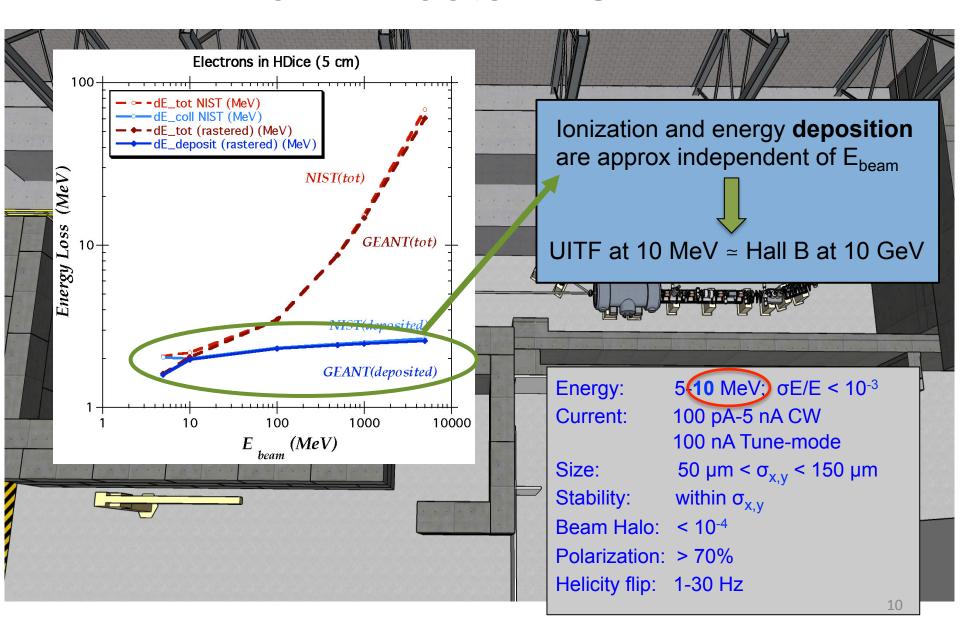


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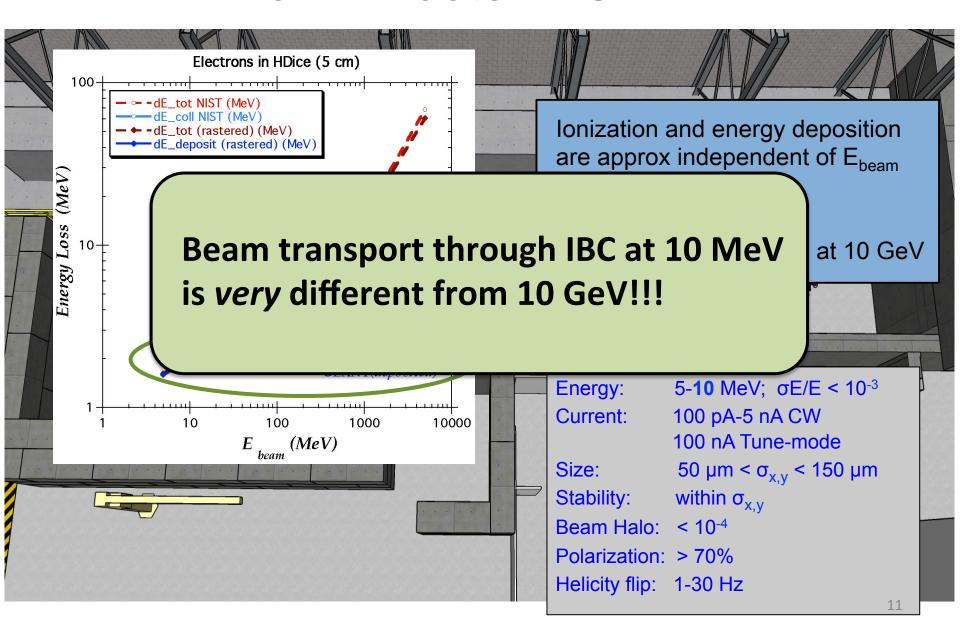


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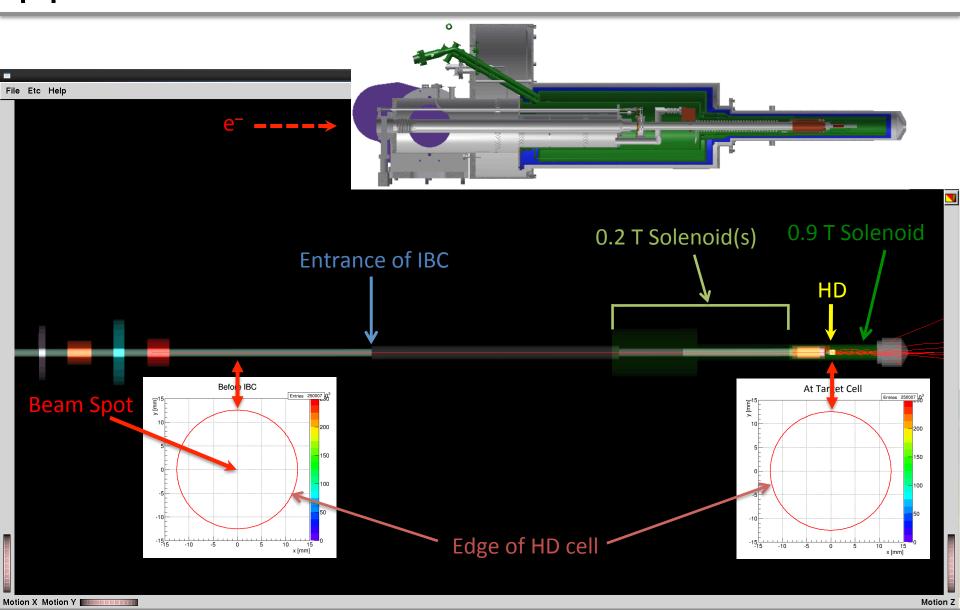


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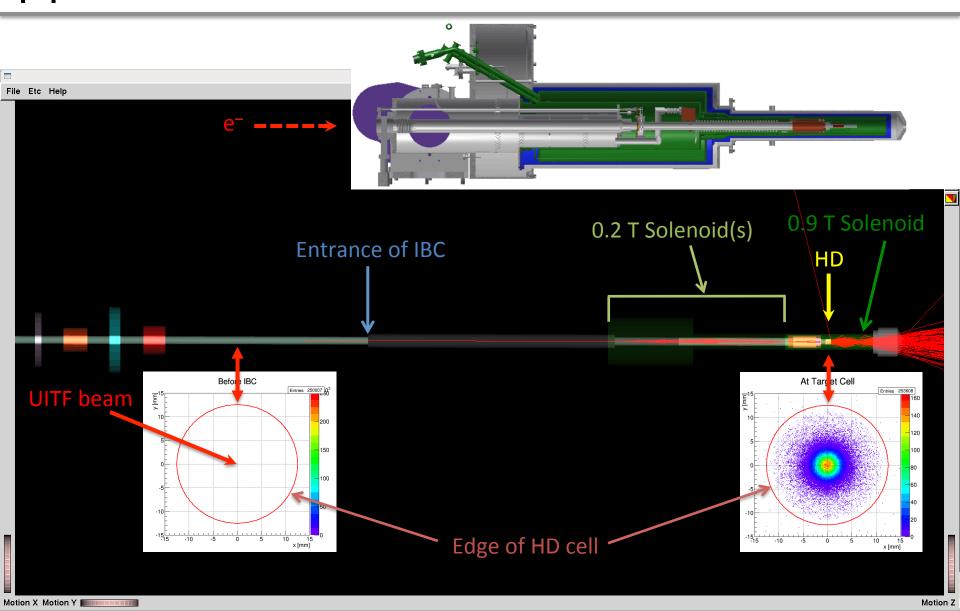


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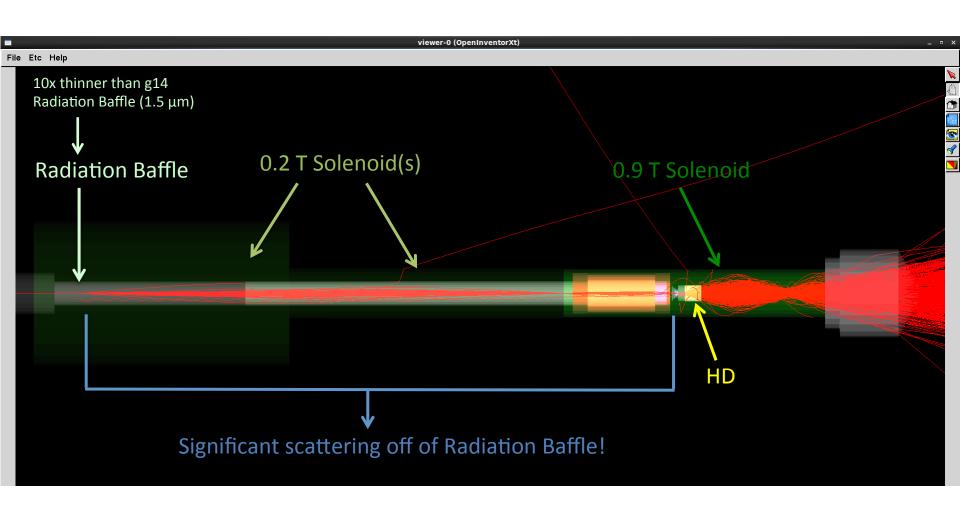
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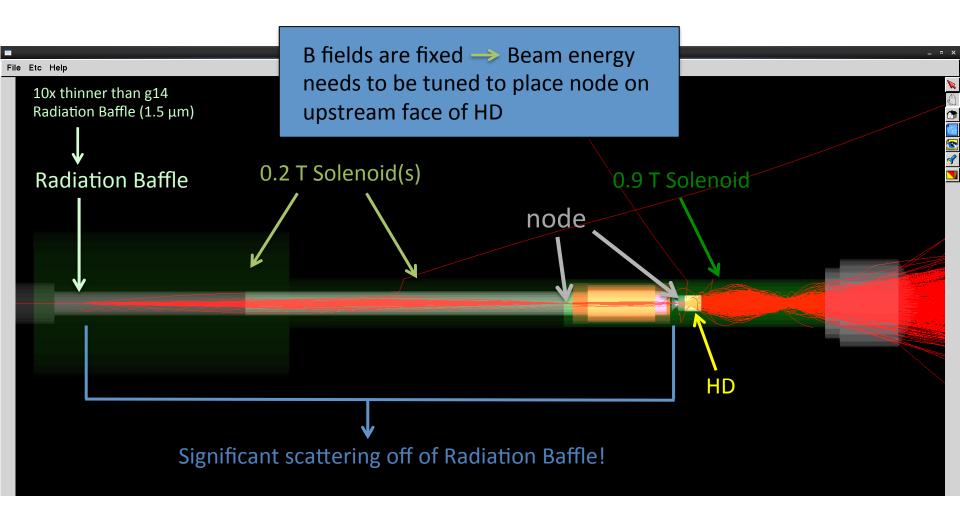
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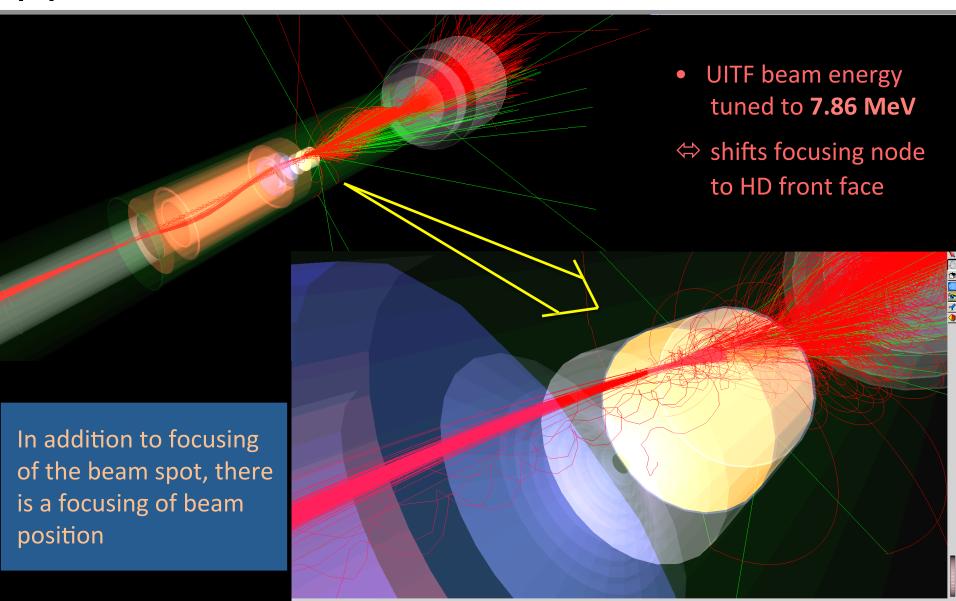
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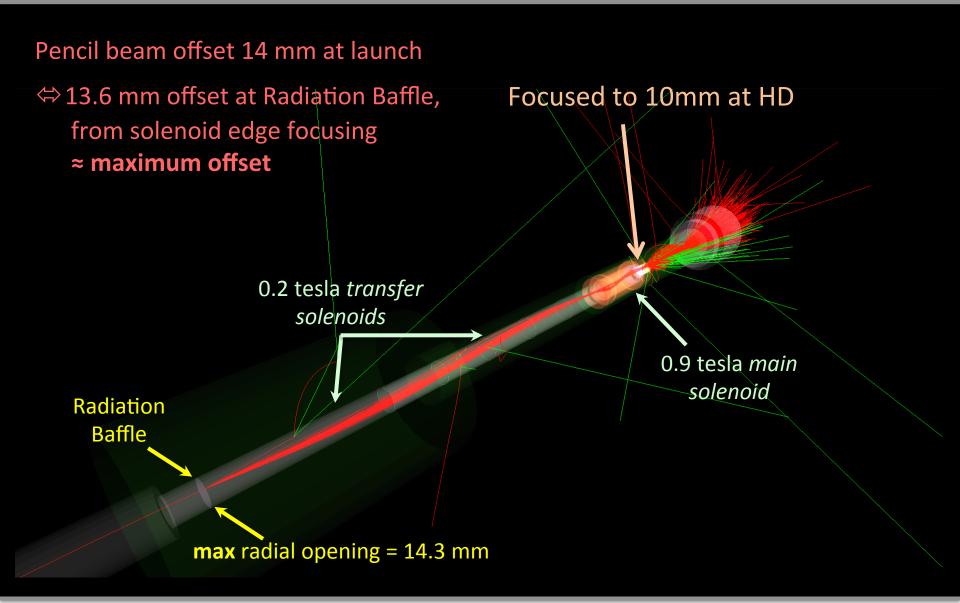


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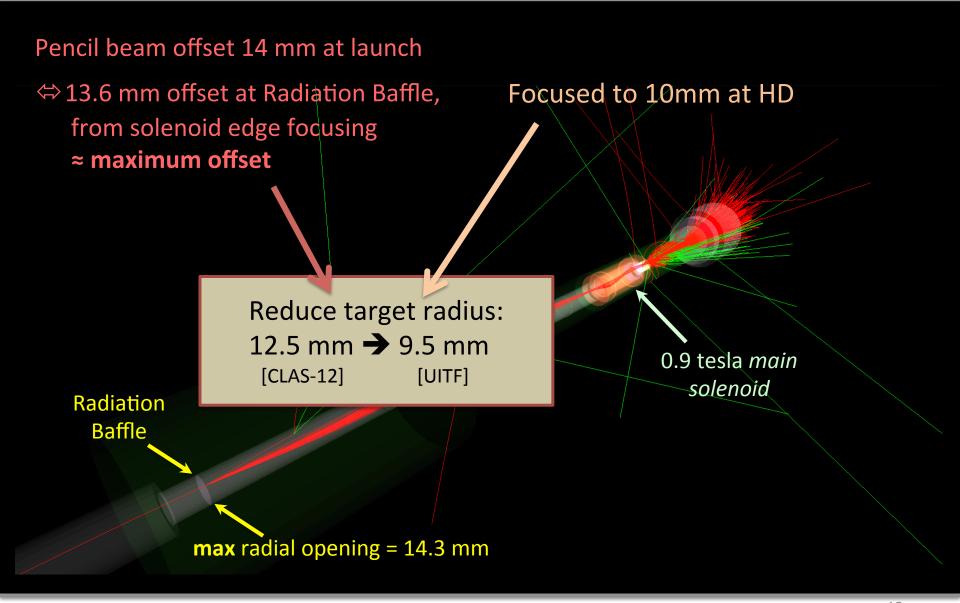


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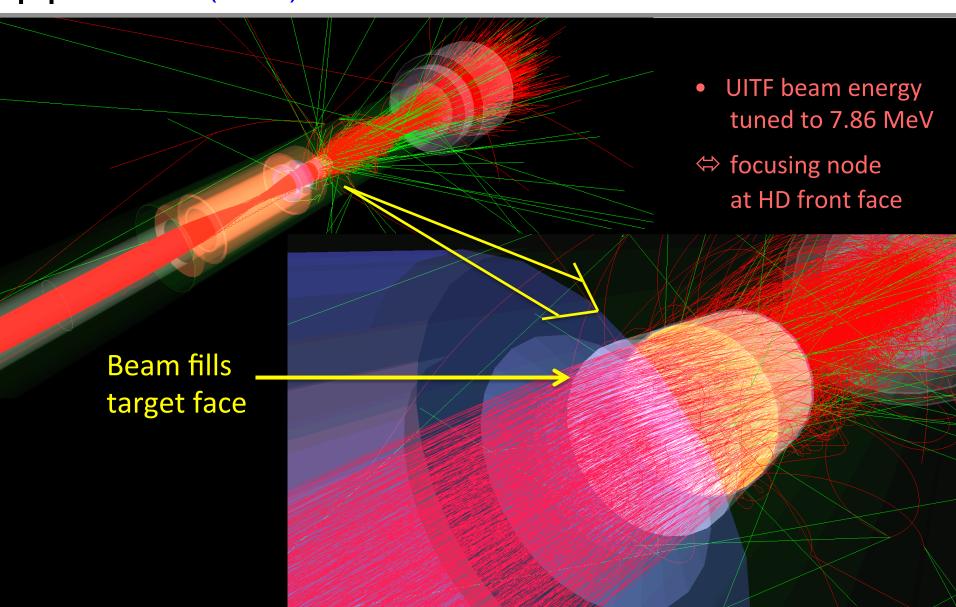


(UITF) Pencil beam into IBC with 14 mm offset





(UITF) Uniform rastered beam into IBC





Based on results from simulation of UITF beam:

- Scattering off of Rad Baffle and focusing from solenoids give rise to nodes
 - → tune beam energy to 7.86 MeV → shifts node to front face of HD
- Focusing from solenoids also affects beam position
 - → 12.0 mm radius at launch focused to 8.5 mm radius on target front face
 - → to fill target face as much as possible, but allow for misalignments, max HD radius = 9.5 mm
- Multiple scattering creates an enhancement in the center of the target that grows with z
 - → for a quasi-uniform illumination of the target with electrons, max HD length = 12.5 mm



Beam Requirements for eHD at UITF

Parameter	Range	Remarks
Energy	E _{beam} ≥ 5 MeV	
Current	I _{beam} < few nA	
Beam Size	σ _{x,y} ≈ 150 μm	As small $\sigma_{x,y}$ as possible is preferred
Energy Spread	$\sigma_{\rm E}/{\rm E} < 10^{-3}$	
Polarization	≥ 70%	Longitudinal only, after two 45° bends up to the HDice IBC (which should approx. cancel the precession); transverse polarization is not required
Helicity Flip Rate	1-30 Hz	
Frequency of Polarization Measurement		Every 4 hrs in the beginning. As confidence builds up that polarization is stable, once every 2 days.
Beam Halo	< 10 ⁻⁴	At 1 mm from beam center at the target
Beam Position Stability	Contained within one $\sigma_{x,y}$	

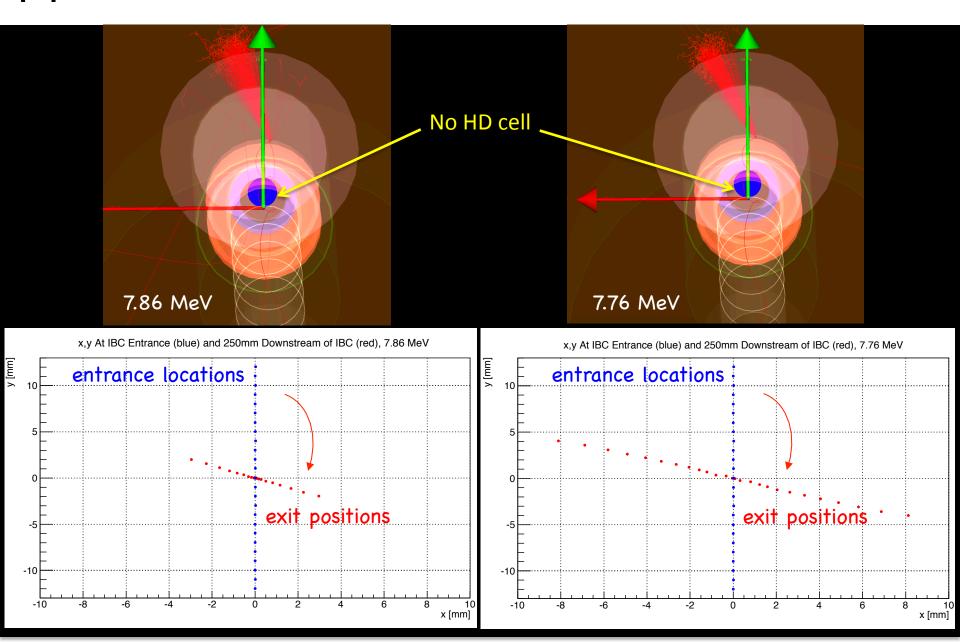


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- Monitoring the UITF beam:
 - Control over and verification of the beam is essential.
 "Flying blind" is too risky
 - Existing BPMs cannot accurately see the beam at these currents and energies.
 - Low duty factor, high(er) current pulses (<10nA)?</p>
 - Empty target tuning?



Optics studies ⇔ spot rotation sensitive to E_e





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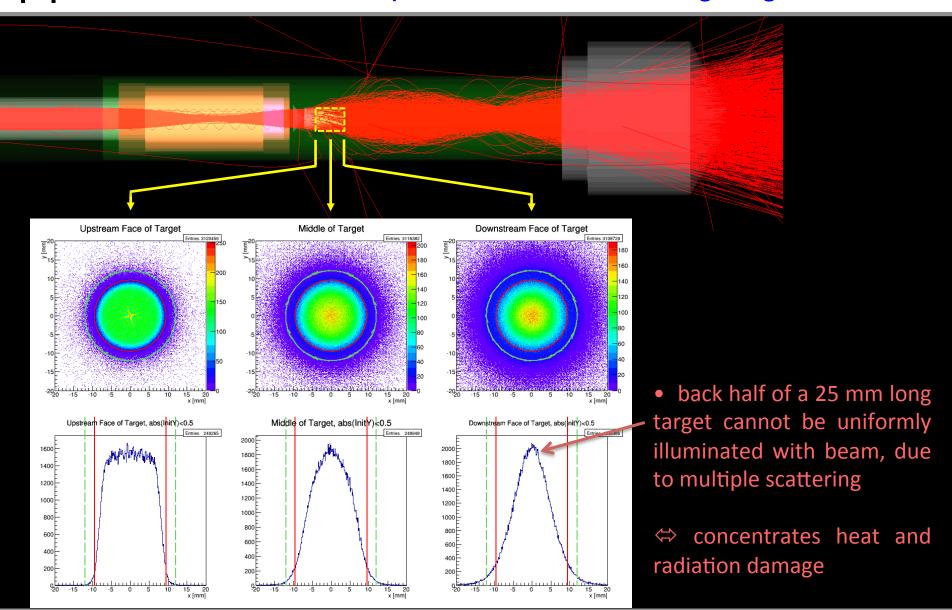
- Downstream Beam Dump:
 - Electrons will exit IBC in a cone. Size of beam dump depends on z location, diameter of exit beam pipe.
 - Electrons are low energy (won't take much material to stop). Ex: 1 inch of Al can stop 98.8% of incident electrons.
 - Electrostatic potential on Beam Dump?
- Dealing with Earth's B field:
 - Not an issue if beam can be steered to be normal to Radiation Baffle



END



Rastered beam profiles on 25 mm long target





Rastered beam profiles on 12.5 mm long target

