

Initial summary of calibration Run 2b – Mar 14/21

Run 2b (Mar 02 – Mar 13/21)

Goal: measure NMR signals from a short-T₁ HD target that rapidly reaches an equilibrium polarization determined by the field and temperature, and use these to deduce the HD temperature under different beam conditions and duty factors

- Monday, Mar 1: short-T₁ HD target loaded into IBC
- Tuesday, Mar 2: cave-2 roof reinstalled; re-established orbit through IBC axis
- UITF running Mar 3 13
 - overall, UITF beam is much more stable than Fall/20, provided VTA is not drawing LHe!
 - UITF running conditions: CW
 - USER MODE with df = 2/3 (3.33ms ON + 1.67ms OFF)
 - USER MODE with df = 1/3 (3.33ms OFF + 1.67ms ON)
- NMR noise is significant when the UITF is operating
 - \Rightharpoonup each beam condition required hundreds of NR sweeps to average out noise
 - ⇔ ~ 1 day / point
- extract HD target from IBC: Monday 3/15; begin warmup of IBC



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- from Run 2a (Nov/20):
 Eloss = 0.74 MeV
 = 0.74 mW/nA at 9.7 MeV
- initial Run 2b observations:
 - T(HD) ~ order of magnitude
 larger than expected
 - unpaired electrons are partially unpolarized
 - ⇔ will decrease T₁ of frozen-spin targets
 - reduced df with the same average <Ie> results in higher temperatures than CW
- analysis is ongoing; we may be able to extract info on the time constant for heat removal from HD

