

Dynamical Behavior of the SpinQuest Target Polarization due to Beam Heating and Radiation Damage

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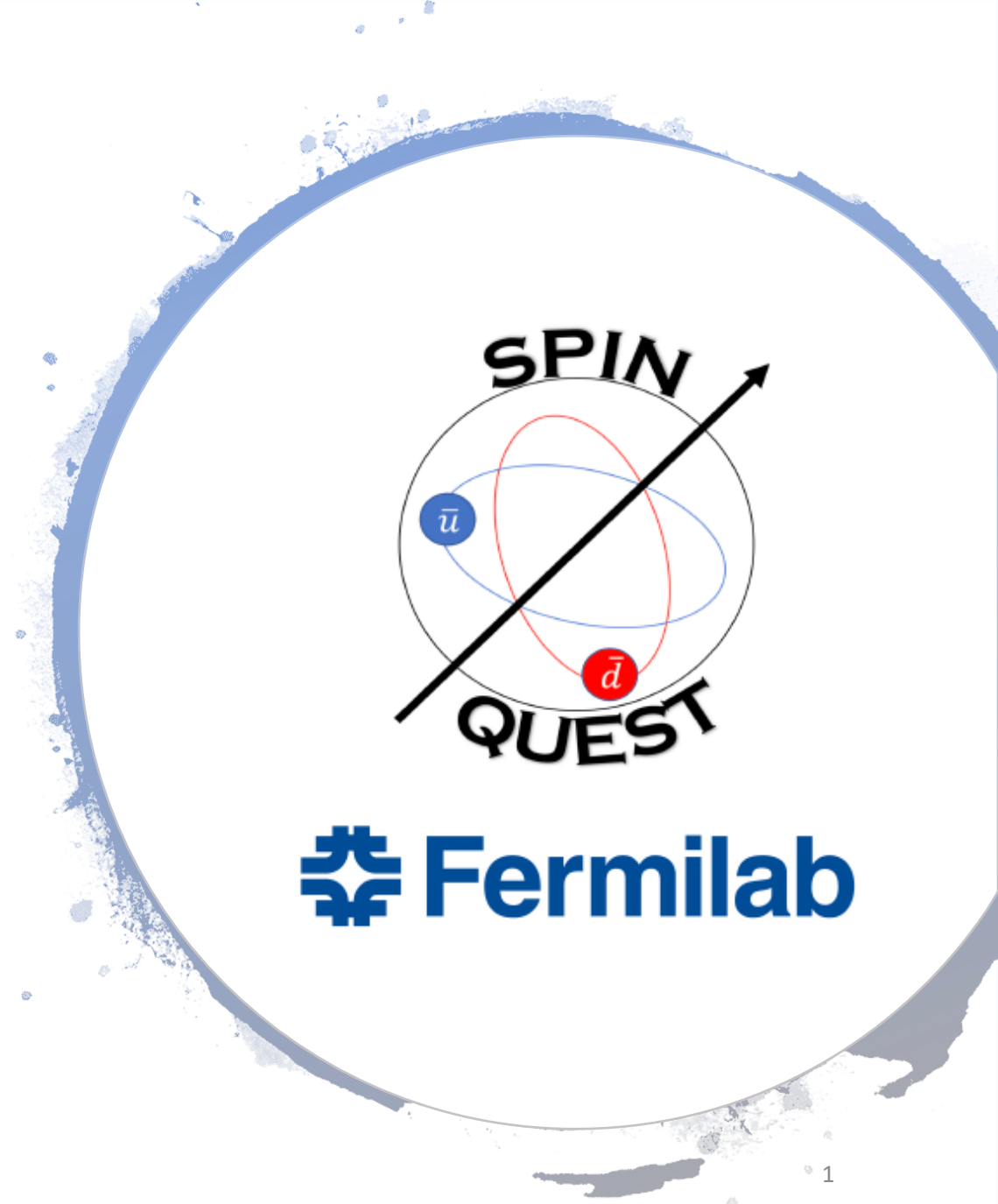
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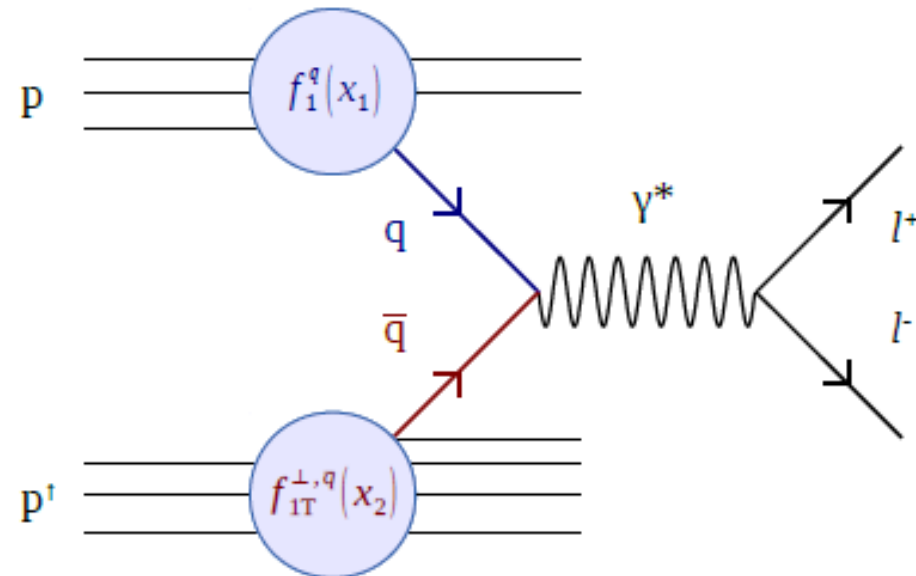
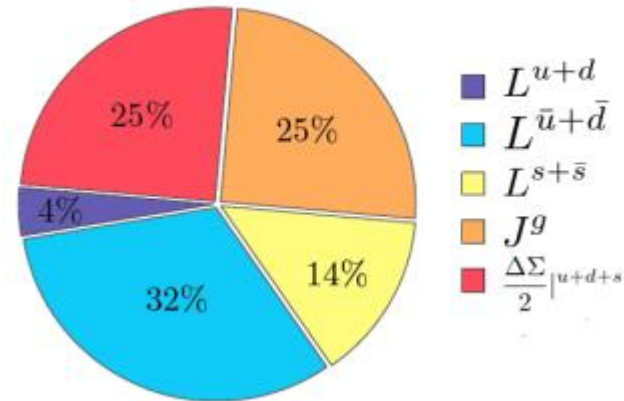
- SpinQuest experiment at Fermilab
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- Dynamics-Nuclear Polarization (DNP)
- Nuclear-Magnetic Resonances (NMR)
- LabView-based polarization simulation
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- Beam current in the target
- Results: $P(z, t)$
- Summary

The main goal of this study is to obtain the polarization profile of the target as a function of z -position and time, $P(z, t)$ for the SpinQuest target

SpinQuest Experiment at Fermilab

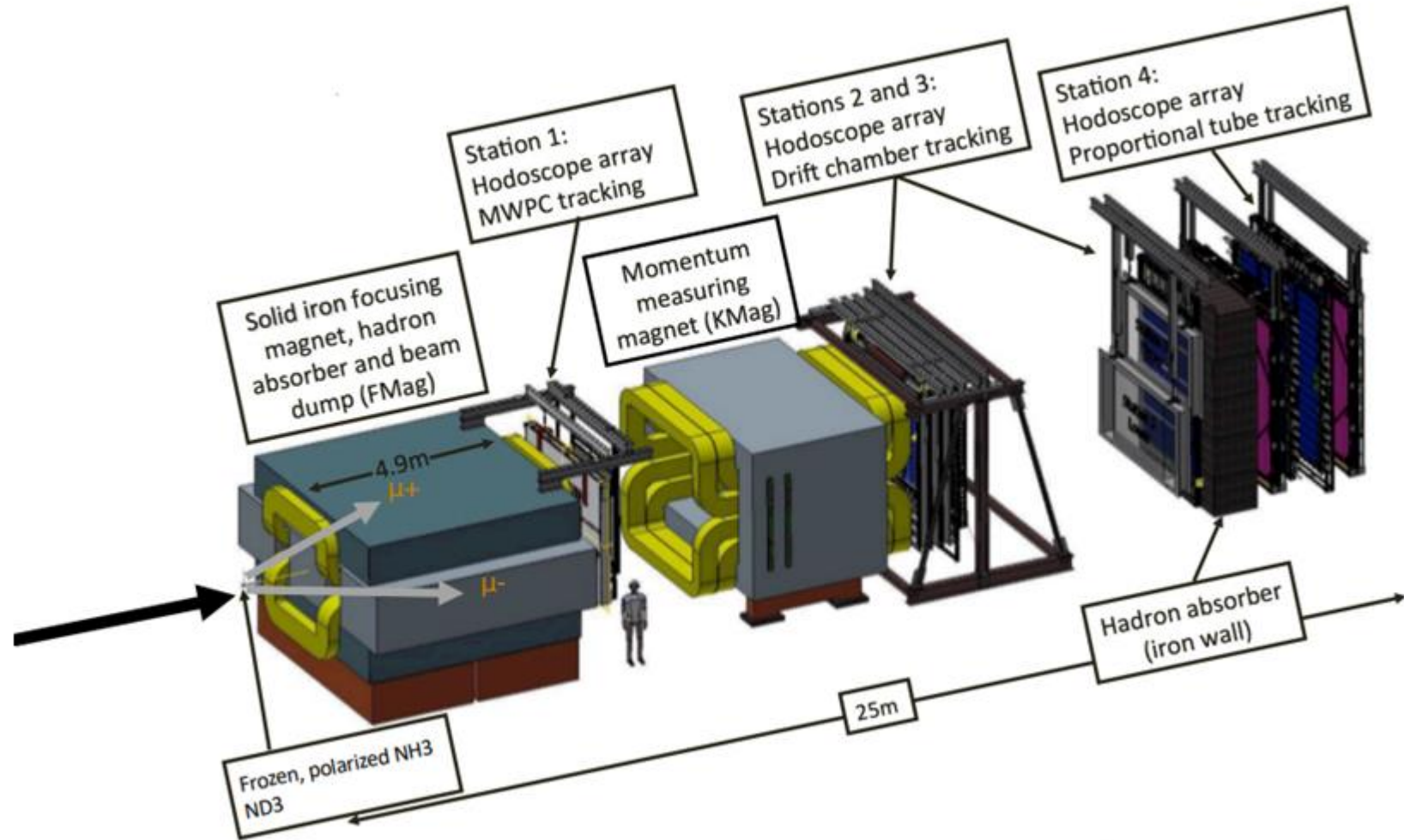
- ❑ The main goal is to understand the proton-spin puzzle (how do the Proton get its spin?)
- ❑ Orbital-angular momentum of sea quarks could contribute up to half of the proton's spin
- ❑ Perform the first measurement of the Sivers asymmetry in Drell-Yan pp scattering from the sea quarks
- ❑ A non-zero Sivers asymmetry from SpinQuest is "smoking gun" evidence for sea quark Orbital-Angular Momentum
- ❑ Please see the talk by **Yoshiyuki Miyachi** for a more information about [SpinQuest physics](#)

K.-F. Liu et al arXiv:1203.6388



SpinQuest Experiment at Fermilab

- ❑ 120 GeV unpolarized proton beam
- ❑ Push the intensity frontier on solid-polarized target: $\sim 5 \times 10^{12}$ protons/spill
- ❑ 4.4 second of beam spill each minute
- ❑ Transversely polarized proton/deuteron target
- ❑ Target materials: NH₃/ND₃
- ❑ Please see the talk by **Ishara Fernando** for a more information about the SpinQuest polarized target



Systematic-Uncertainties Projection

Beam(2.5%):

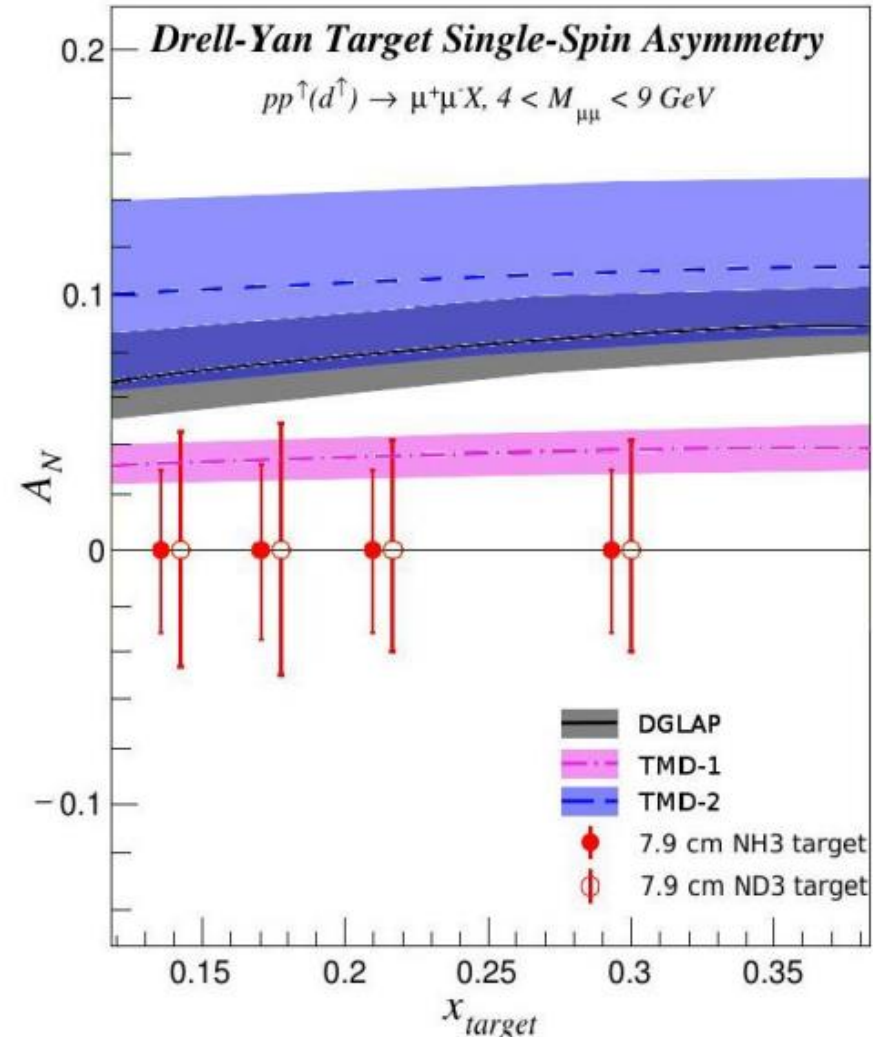
- Relative Luminosity (~1%)
- Drifts (<2%)
- Scraping (~1%)

Analysis sources(3.5%):

- Tracking Efficiency (1.5%)
- Trigger and Geometrical Acceptance (<2%)
- Mixed background (3%)
- Shape of DY (~1%)

Target(6-7%)

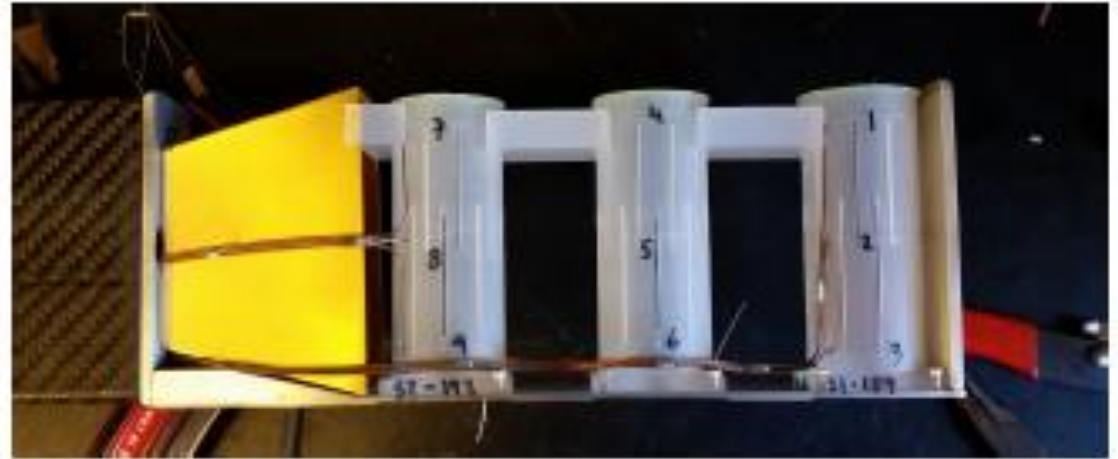
- TE calibration (P-2.5% D-4.5%)
- Polarization inhomogeneity (2%)
- Density of target (ammonia) (1%)
- Uneven radiation damage (3%)
- Beam/target misalignment (0.5%)
- Packing fraction (2%)
- Dilution factor (3%)



DGLAP: M. Anselmino et al arXiv:1612.06413
TMD-1: M. G. Echevarria et al arXiv:1401.5078
TMD-2: P. Sun and F. Yuan arXiv:1308.5003

Polarized Target at SpinQuest

- ❑ We need to fully understand the target-related systematics uncertainty (biggest contributor to overall systematics)
- ❑ Dynamic-Nuclear Polarization (DNP) method to polarize the target materials
- ❑ Nuclear-Magnetic Resonances (NMR) to measure the polarization
- ❑ 8 cm of target cups with the materials are doped with the paramagnetic free radicals (irradiated) at National Institute of Standard and Technology
- ❑ 3 NMR coils in each target cups to measure the polarization at 3 different z positions (upstream, center and downstream of the target)



- ❑ We need to understand the complete polarization profile along the z as a function of time (dynamic behavior)

The main goal of this study is to obtain the target-polarization (for NH_3 material) as a function of z and time $P(z, t)$

Dynamic-Nuclear Polarization (DNP)

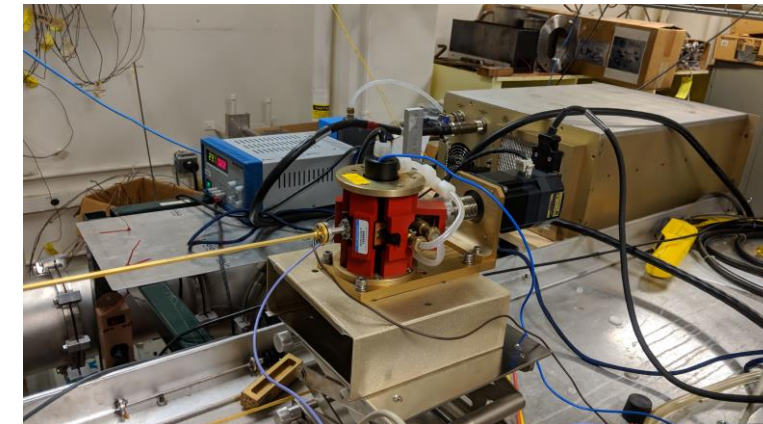
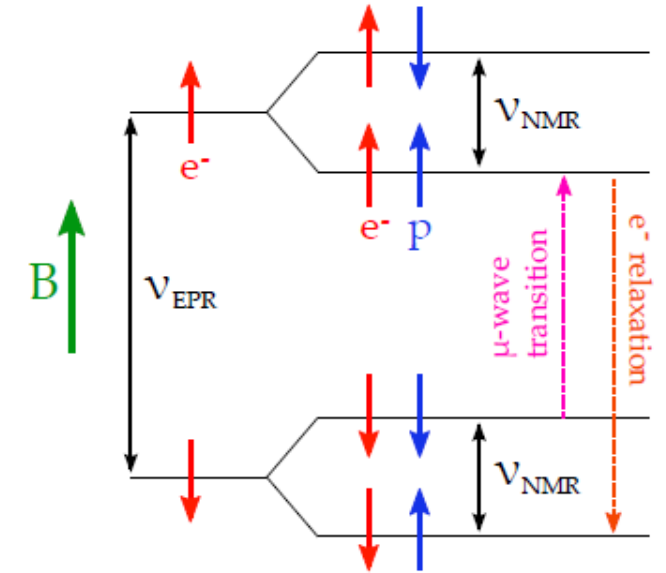
- The coupling between (unpaired) electron & proton introduces hyper-fine splitting H_{SS}

$$H = -\mu_e B - \mu_p B + H_{SS}$$

- Applying an RF-field at the correct frequency, we can drive the nucleons state into desired proton-state
- ~140 GHz RF signal is generated continuously
- The disparity in relaxation times between the electron (ms) and proton (tens of minutes) at 1K is crucial to continue proton polarization

- Allow to achieve proton polarization of greater than 90%
- The optimal RF frequency changes as we flip the spin direction
- The optimal frequency also changes as the target accumulate radiation damage from the beam.
- Therefore, the frequency is adjusted by adjusting the cavity size using a stepper motor (~2% adjustment)

Solid effect DNP process:



Dynamic-Nuclear Polarization (DNP)

- We use thermal-mixing model to simulate the DNP mechanism
- In general, thermal-mixing model perform better than solid-state model (especially for ND3)
- The **short-term** behavior (T dependance) of the solid-polarized target from thermal-mixing model*

$$T_{1e}P'_n = \left(-\frac{T_{1e}}{T_{1n}} - \frac{C}{2}(\alpha + \beta) - \phi \right) P_n + \frac{C}{2}(\alpha - \beta)P_e$$

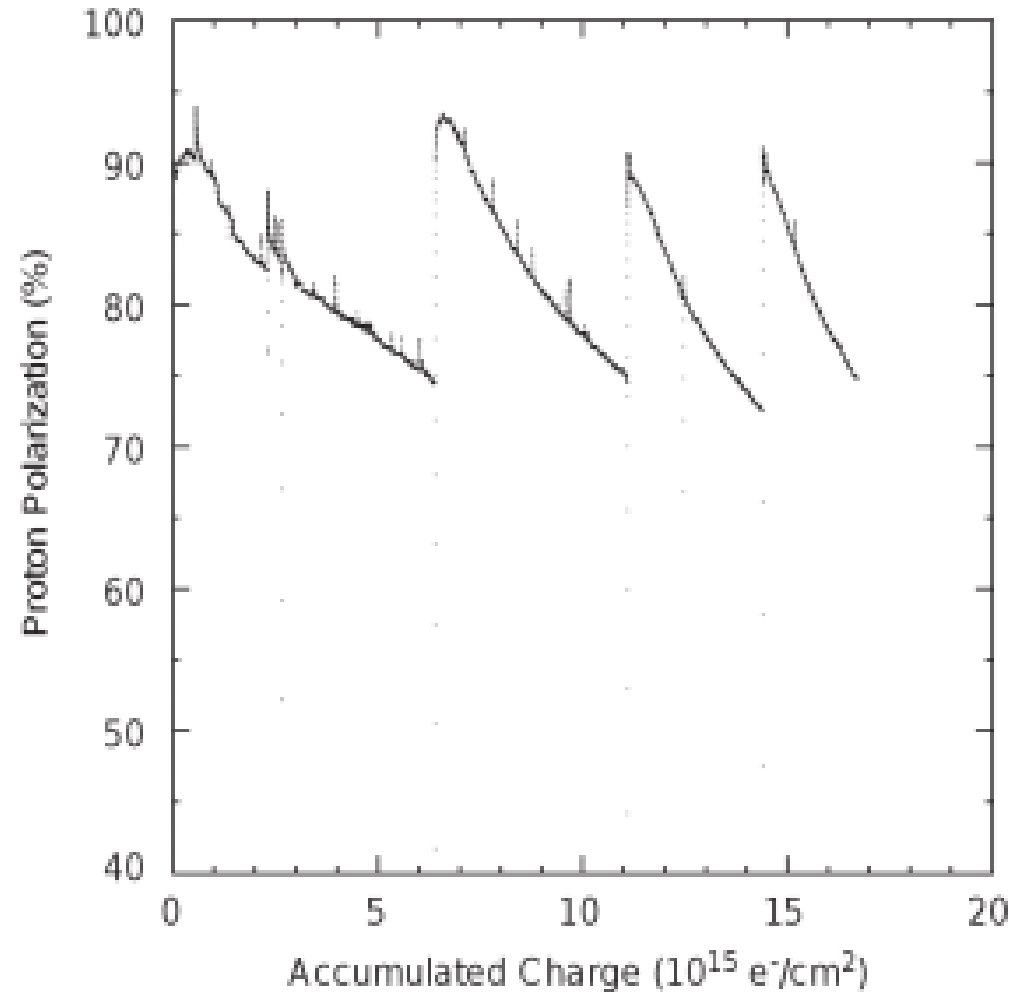
$$T_{1e}P'_e = \frac{1}{2}(\alpha - \beta)P_n + \left(-1 - \frac{1}{2}(\alpha + \beta) \right) P_e + P_{e0}$$

- T_{1e} = Electron relaxation time
- T_{1n} = Nucleon relaxation time
- C = Ratio of the number of electrons to the number of nuclei
- α, β is a function of RF frequency (gaussian shape) and determine the transition rate between states
- P_{e0} = equilibrium-electron polarization = $-\tanh(\hbar^2/T)$
- ϕ is a parameter to compensate the shortcoming of the model

*O. S. Leifson and C. D. Jeffries, Phys. Rev. 122, 1781–95 (1961)

Dynamic-Nuclear Polarization (DNP)

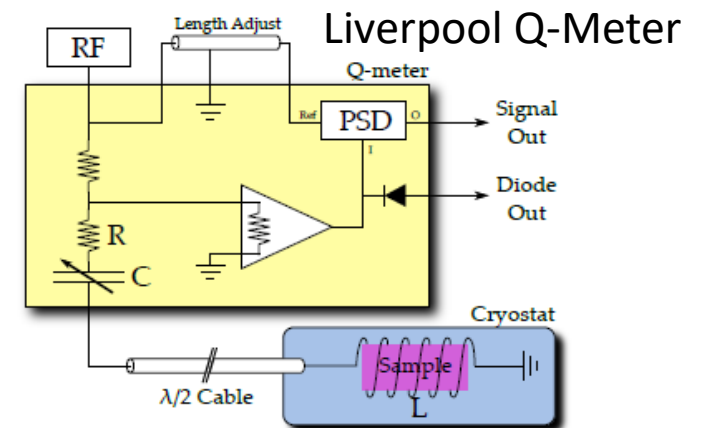
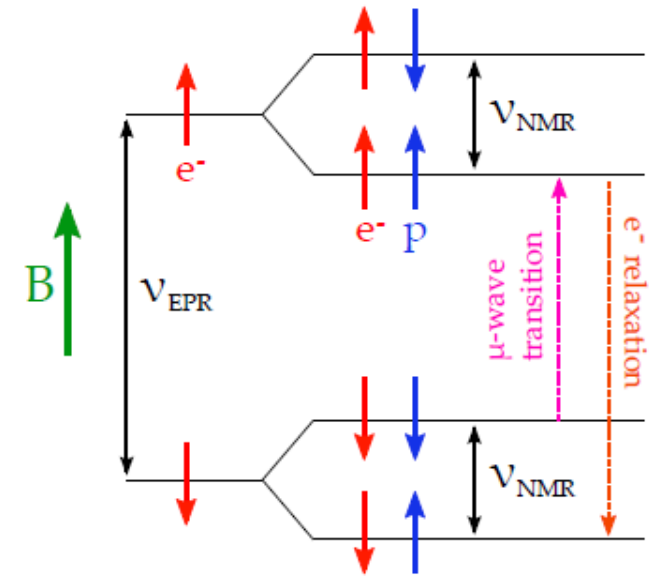
- ❑ The **long-term** polarization behavior is determined by the accumulation of radiation dose from the beam
- ❑ There is no theoretical model to explain the polarization dynamics due to the accumulation of the dose
- ❑ The long-term behavior is described by an exponential function with the fit parameter determined from the experiment



Proton-polarization decay from SLAC E155 due to accumulated dose from the beam

Nuclear-Magnetic Resonances (NMR)

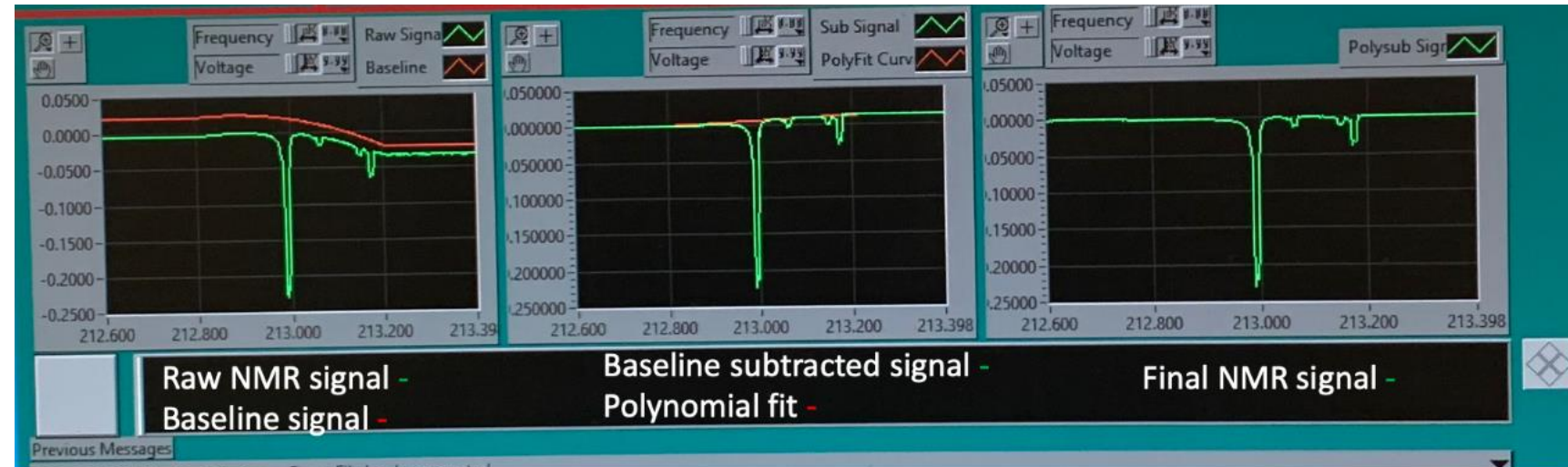
- ❑ Polarization of the proton is measured using NMR technique
- ❑ An RF field at the Larmor frequency of the proton (213 MHz at 5 T) can cause a flip of the spin
- ❑ The RF field is produced by 3 NMR coils inside the target cup
- ❑ An RLC Circuit is tuned to the Larmor frequency of the target materials
- ❑ The power generated or absorbed due to spin flip change the circuit impedance that can be observed



Nuclear-Magnetic Resonances (NMR)

- ❑ Q-Curve is produced by sweeping the RF around the Larmor frequency
- ❑ The signal area after background subtraction is proportional to the polarization
- ❑ The proportional constant is obtained at Thermal-Equilibrium measurement

$$P = \tanh\left(\frac{\mu B}{kT}\right)$$



Notes: SpinQuest experiment will use a new NMR system developed by LANL-UVA based on the original Liverpool Q-meter design

LabView-Based Simulation

- ❑ A LabView based simulation was developed to study the dynamic behavior of the polarized target:
 - Simulate the polarization response to RF frequency as determined by the thermal-mixing equations
 - Incorporate the long-term dynamics due to the accumulation of radiation dose
 - Compliment the frequency adjustment by stepper motor
 - Mimic the real-time NMR measurement system which used at several polarized-target experiments

- ❑ Input for the simulation:

- Target temperature:

- Determined by solving heat-transfer equation.
 - Two sources of heat load: beam-target interaction and microwave
 - The heat load from the beam-target interaction is obtained from GEANT4 simulation
 - The heat load from the microwave is determined from the previous experiment

- Beam current:

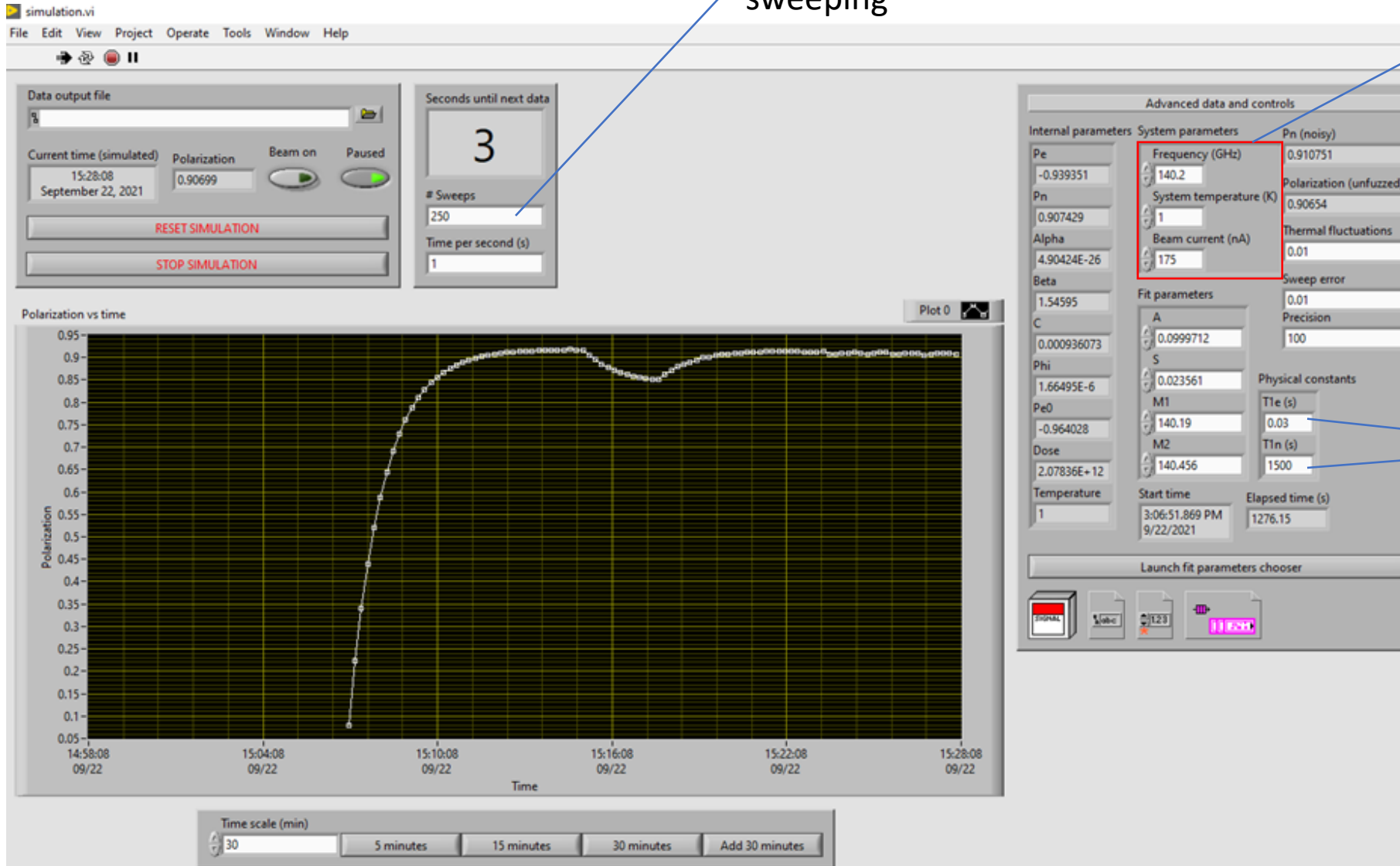
- Consist of primary beam current & secondary charged particle production
 - The secondary charged particle production is obtained from GEANT4 simulation

- RF frequency

- Multiple RF frequency around the Larmor frequency are sweeping to produce the Q-curve (simulating NMR measurement).
 - Background and noise are also generated

LabView-Based Simulation

Number of frequency sweeping



- RF frequency
- Temperature
- Beam current

Electron & Nucleons relaxation time

Target-Temperature Profile

- Target temperature is obtained by solving the heat-transfer equation

$$c \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \nabla(\kappa \nabla T) + P_{ext} + P_{He}$$

c = volumetric heat capacity

κ = thermal conductivity

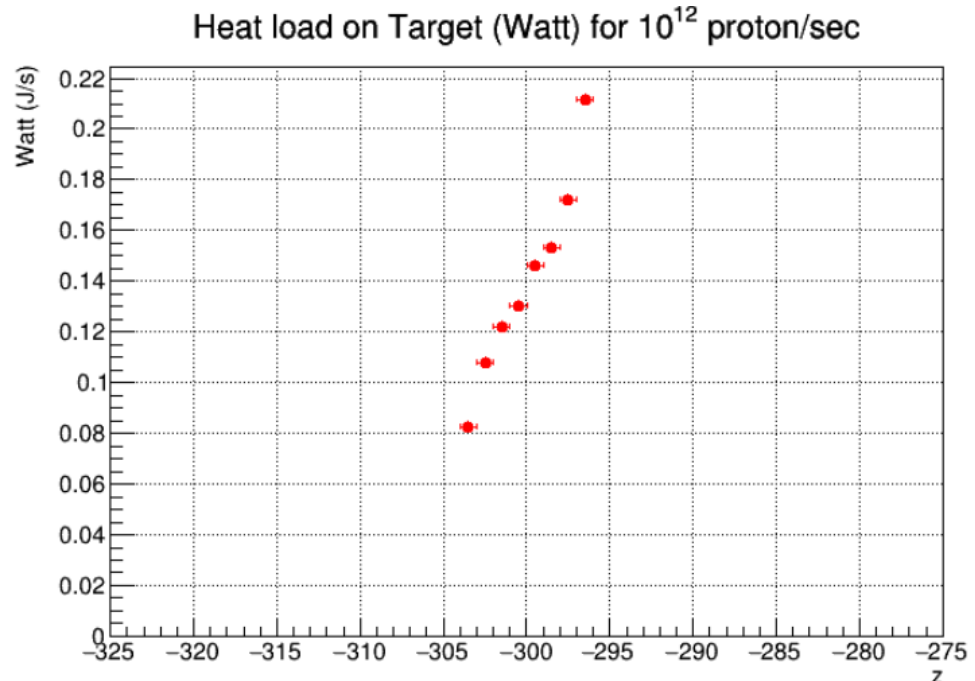
P_{ext} = heat load on the target

P_{He} = heat transferred to the He

- The heat load on the target (P_{ext}) comes from the microwave and the beam-target interaction.

- Microwave deposited 0.5 Watt to the target

- The heat load from the beam-target interaction is obtained using GEANT4 simulation

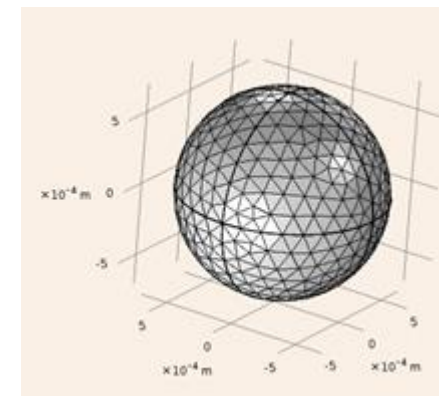
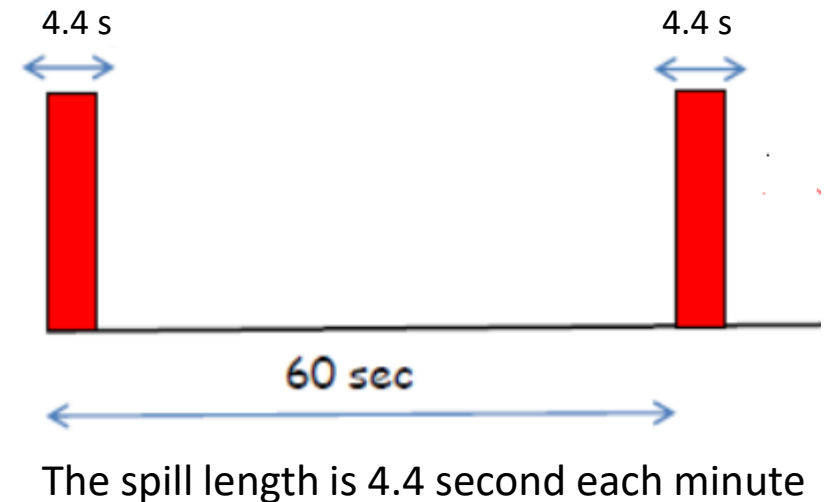


This figure shows the heat load along the z position of the target ($-304 < z < -296$). The downstream of the target receive most heat load as expected

Target-Temperature Profile

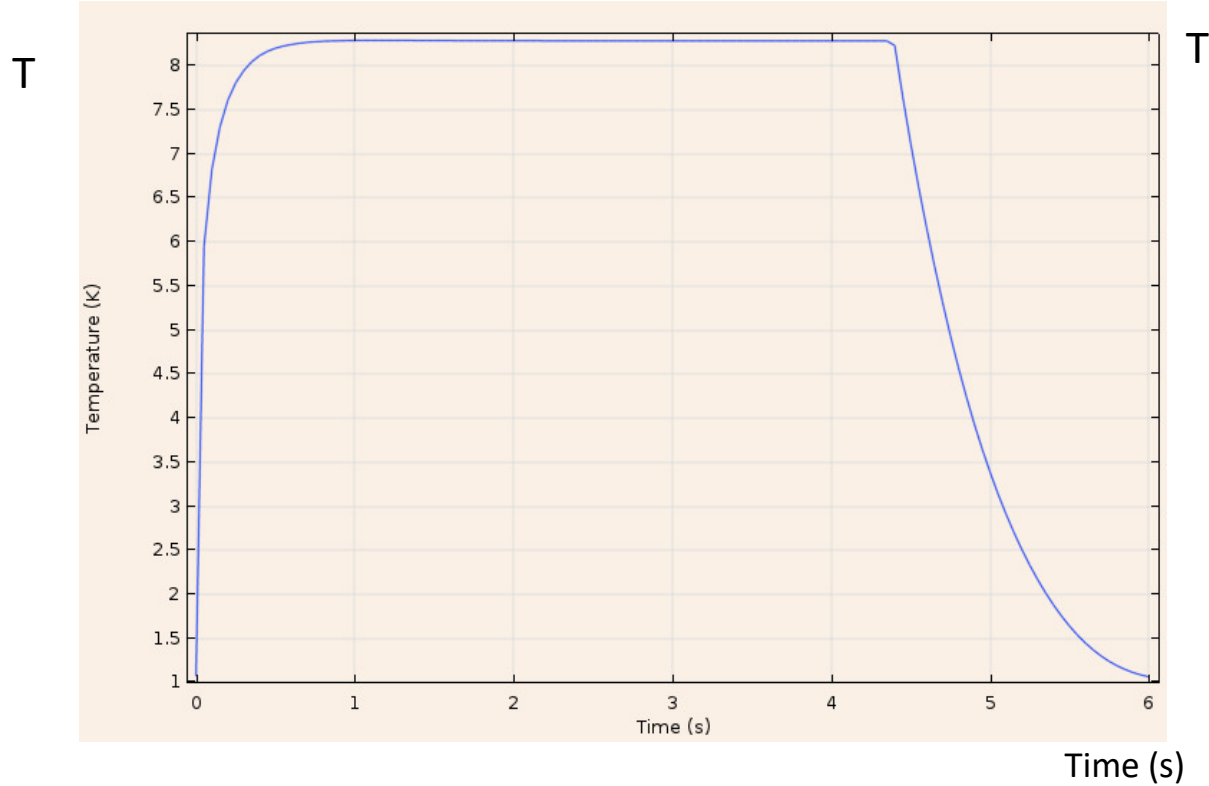
- ❑ The heat transferred to the He (P_{He}) is determined by $P_{He} = R_{\alpha}(T^4 - T_{He}^4)$, where T_{He} is the He temperature (1 K) and R_{α} is Kapitza coefficient
- ❑ The NH3 bead is modelled as a spherical bead with $r = 0.7$ mm
- ❑ The heat-transfer equation is solved using **Finite-element Method (FEM)** utilizing **COMSOL** software
- ❑ FEM divides a large system into smaller, simple parts called finite elements by the mesh construction of the object. The equations that model these finite elements are then assembled into a larger system of equations that models the entire problem.

- ❑ The temporal-beam profile for SpinQuest is considered

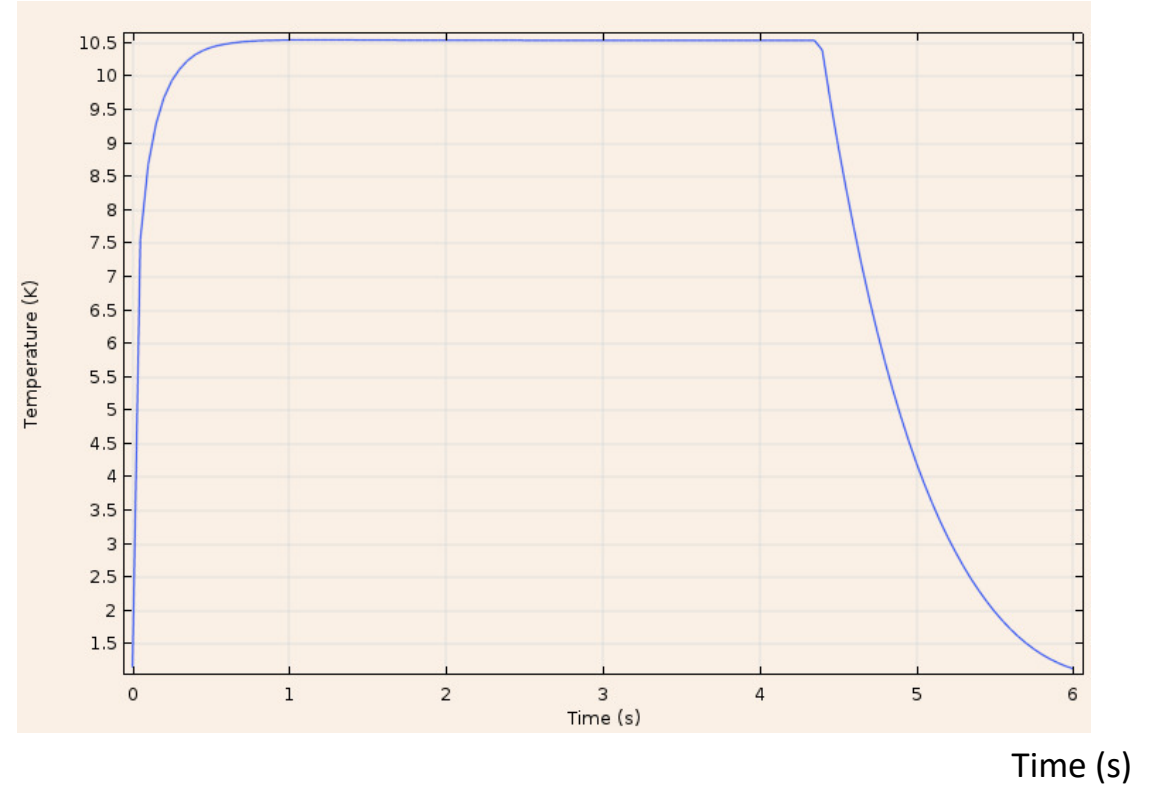


Tetrahedral-mesh construction

Target-Temperature Profile at 1×10^{12} protons/seconds



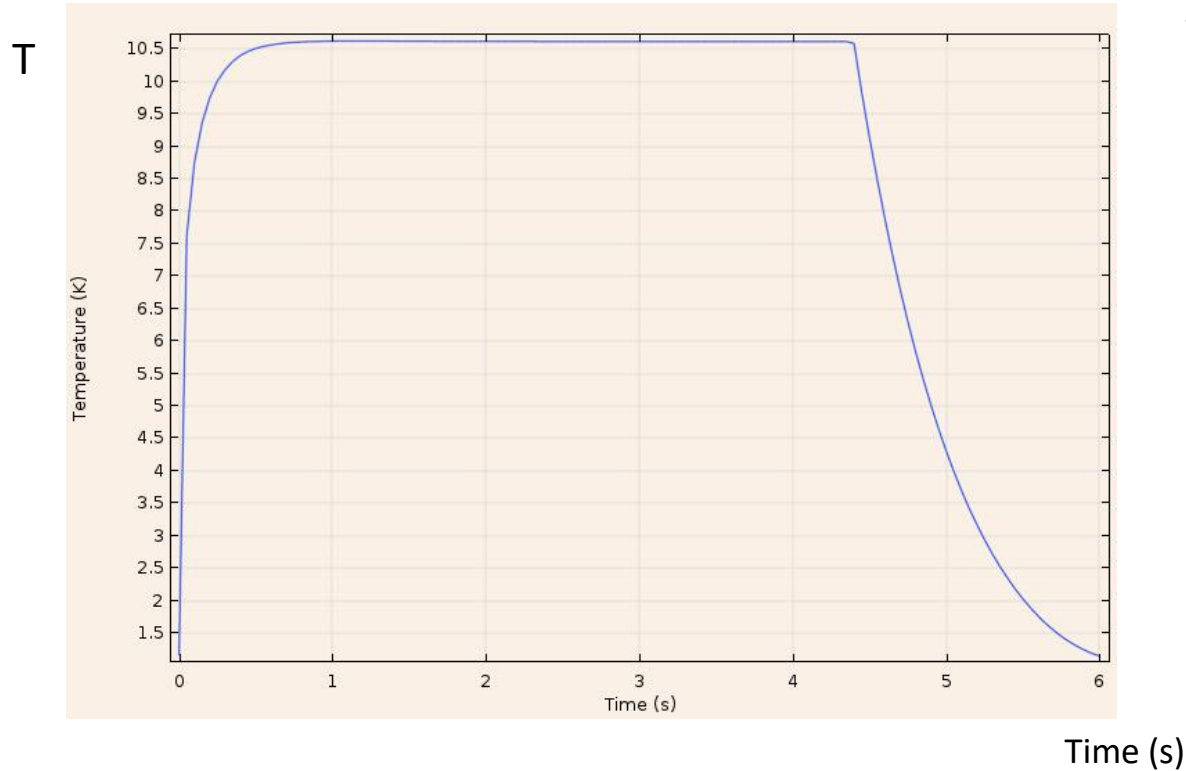
Upstream Target ($z = -304$) $T_{max} = 8.3$ K



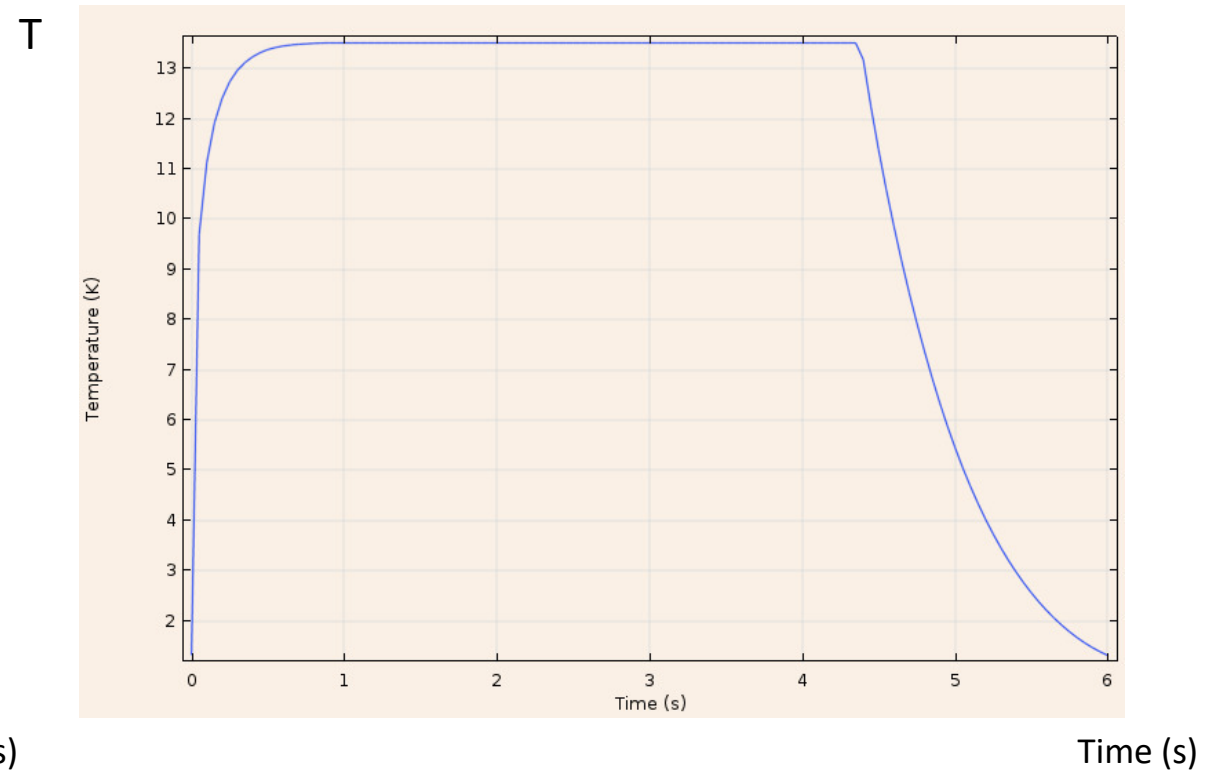
Downstream Target ($z=-296$) $T_{max} = 10.5$ K

- The base temperature is 1 K
- The superfluid regime is effective on removing heat from the target (large Kapitza coefficient and T^4 equation)

Target-Temperature Profile at 2.7×10^{12} protons/seconds



Upstream Target ($z = -304$) $T_{max} = 10.6$ K

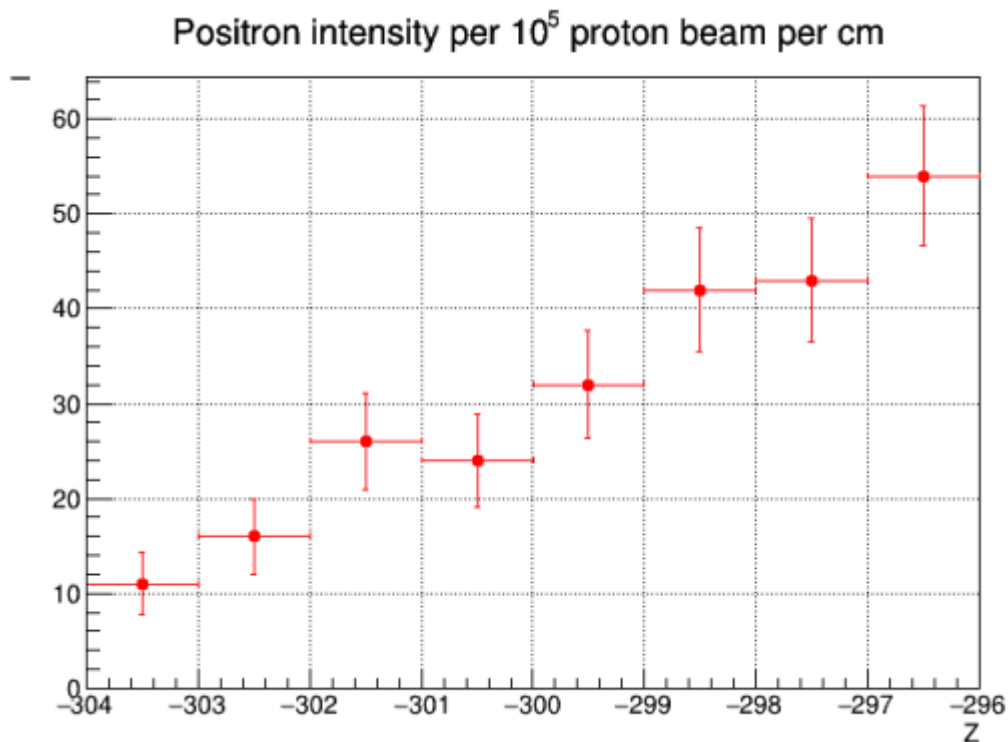


Downstream Target ($z=-296$) $T_{max} = 13.4$ K

- Based on the Superconducting magnet quench simulation, the maximum instantaneous intensity before quenching the magnet is 2.7×10^{12}
- The plots above show the temperature in the downstream/upstream of the target during the beam spill
- The base temperature is 1 K

Beam Current in the Target

- ❑ The primary beam current is 160 nA (correspond to $\sim 1 \times 10^{12}$ protons/second)
- ❑ We also consider the beam from secondary charged-particle production obtained from GEANT4
- ❑ Total beam current in the target is shown in the following table

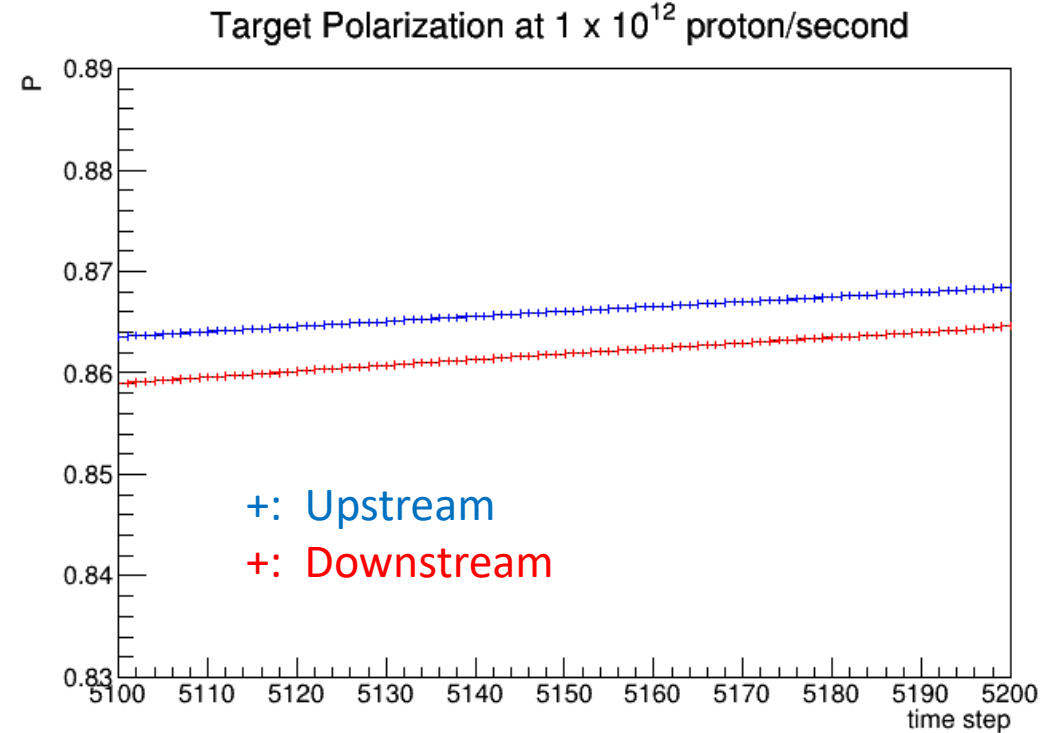
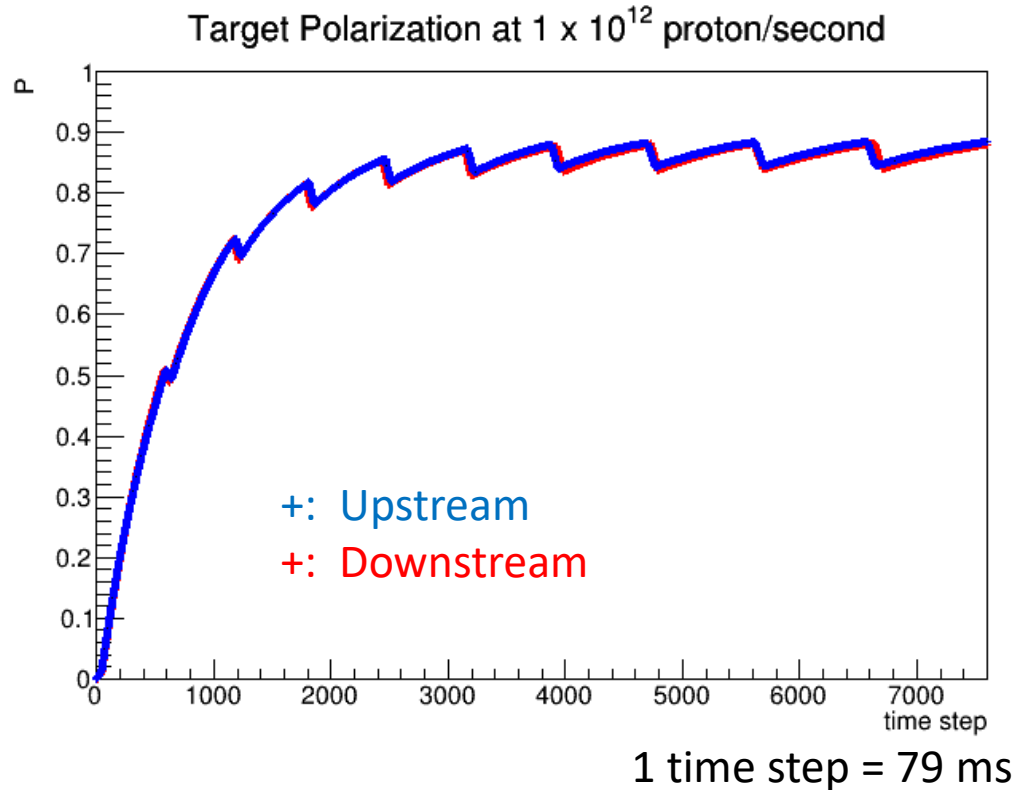


Secondary positron production along the target

Beam current in the target (nA)

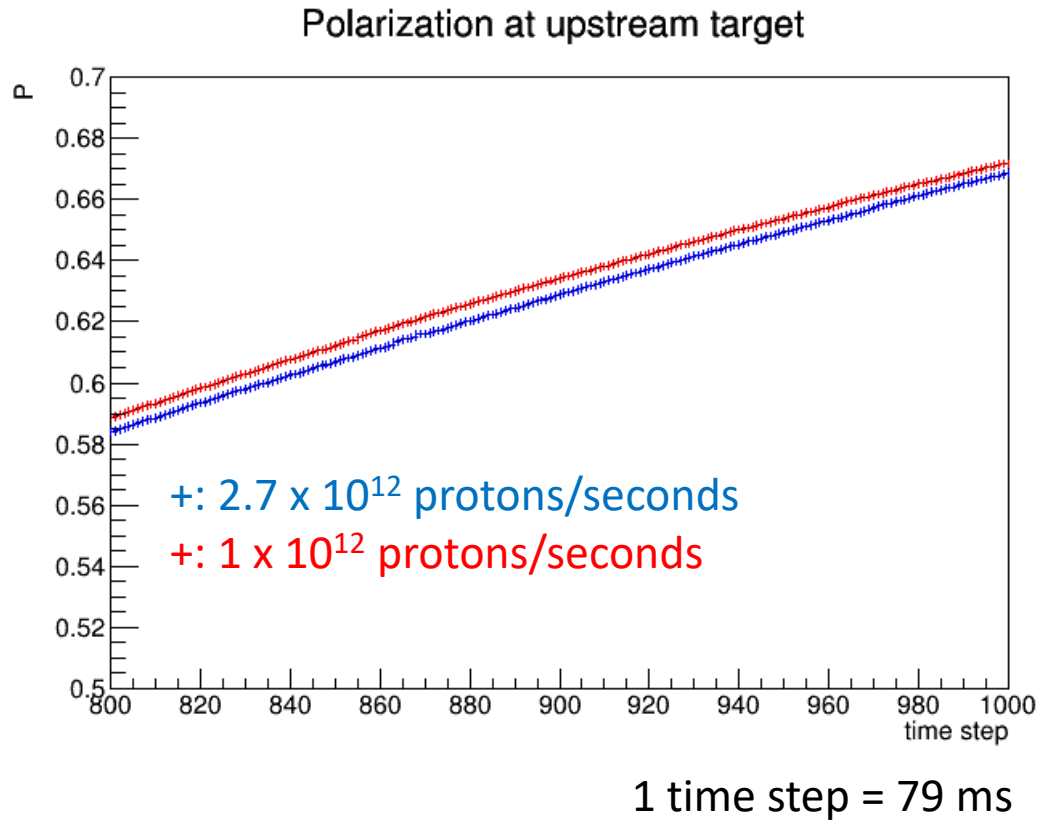
	1×10^{12} protons/seconds	2.7×10^{12} protons/seconds
Downstream	177.13 nA	478.24 nA
Upstream	174.39 nA	470.84 nA

Results: Short term effect



- These plots show the target polarization for ~ 10 minutes (1 time step = 79 ms) at two different target positions
- The polarization drop $\sim 4\%$ during the beam spill
- The polarization difference between upstream & downstream $\sim 0.4\%$

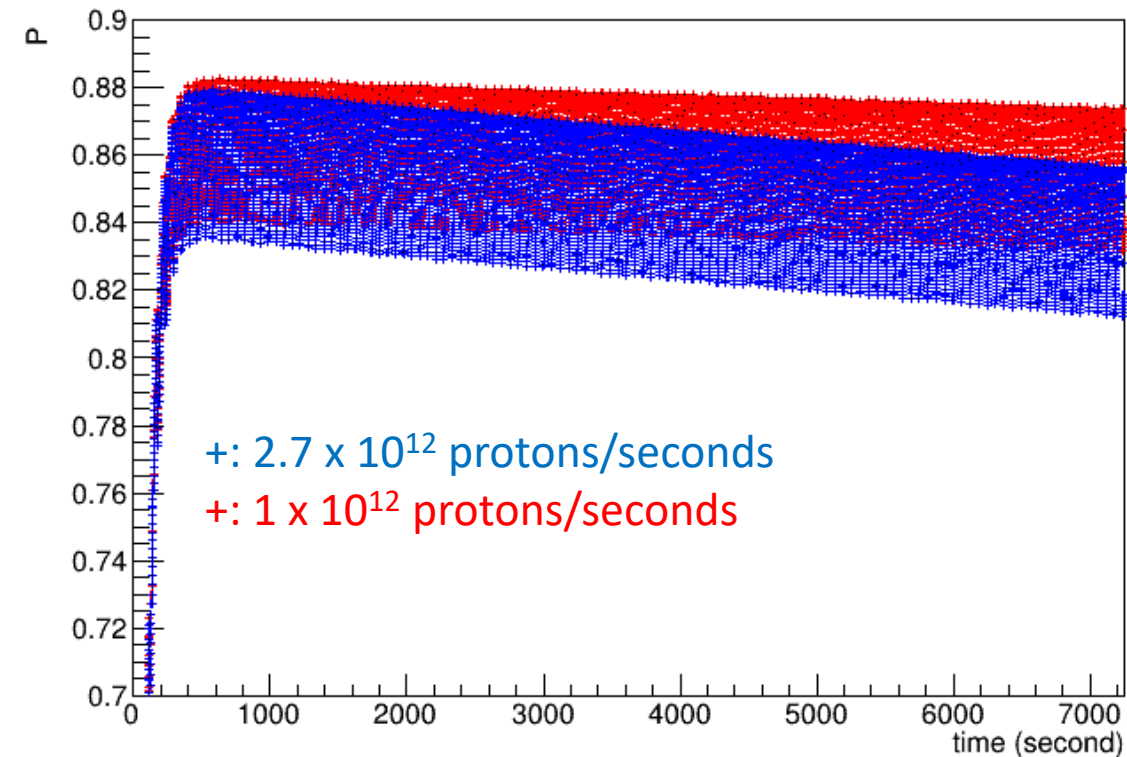
Results: Short term effect



- This plot show the (zoom in) polarization at upstream target for the proposed intensity (1×10^{12} protons/seconds) and maximum intensity before quenching the superconducting magnet (2.7×10^{12} protons/seconds) after ~ 1 minutes of beam
- The difference in the target polarization is $\sim 0.5\%$

Results: Long term effect

Downstream-Target Polarization



- This plot show the polarization at downstream target for the proposed intensity (1×10^{12} protons/seconds) and maximum intensity before quenching the superconducting magnet based on the quench simulation (2.7×10^{12} protons/seconds) after 2 hours of beam
- After 2 hours of beam, the maximum polarization drop less than 1% for the proposed intensity and $\sim 2\%$ for the maximum intensity (before quenching the magnet)
- The polarization difference between two intensities grow from $\sim 0.5\%$ after 1 minute to $\sim 2\%$ after 2 hours of beam
- Need to run longer to see when we need to anneal the target and decide what is the best proton intensity to run considering the long-term target polarization

Summary & Outlook

- ❑ A LabView based simulation was developed to study the dynamic behavior of the polarized target:
 - Polarization Responses to the RF frequency as determined by the thermal-mixing equations
 - Incorporate the long-term dynamics due to the accumulation of radiation dose
 - Compliment the frequency adjustment by stepper motor
 - Mimic the real-time NMR measurement system which used at several polarized-target experiments
- ❑ Input for the simulation:
 - Target temperature -> Obtained by solving heat-transfer equation using FEM & utilizing COMSOL
 - Beam current -> Incorporate primary beam and secondary charged-particle production obtained from GEANT4
 - RF frequency
- ❑ Short-term effect:
 - The polarization drop by ~4% during the beam spill
 - The polarization difference between upstream and downstream target ~0.4%
 - The polarization difference between the proposed intensity (1×10^{12} protons/seconds) and maximum intensity before quenching the superconducting magnet (2.7×10^{12} protons/seconds) is ~ 0.5%
- ❑ Long-term effect:
 - After 2 hours of beam, the maximum polarization drop less than 1% for the proposed intensity and ~2% for the maximum intensity (before quenching the magnet)
 - Need to run the simulation longer to see when we need to anneal the target & decide what is the best proton intensity to run considering the long-term target depolarization

Thank You

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