

Thermionic Sources for Electron Cooling at IOTA

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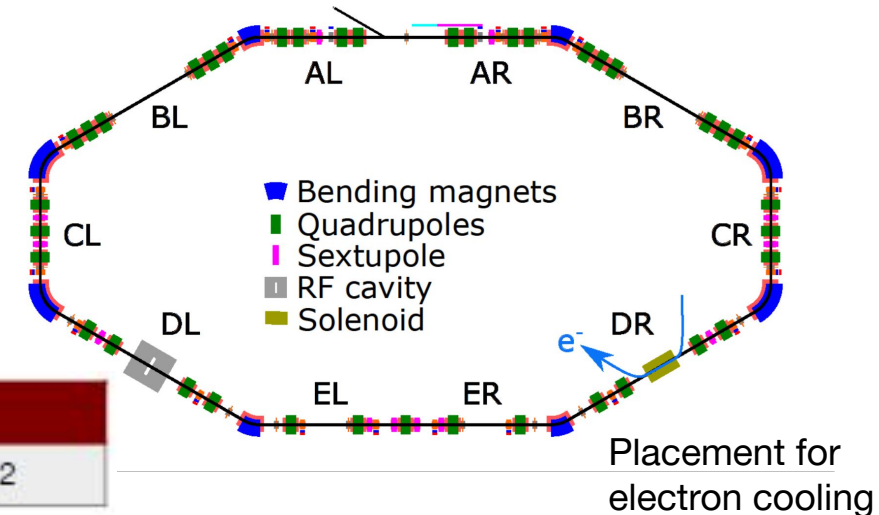
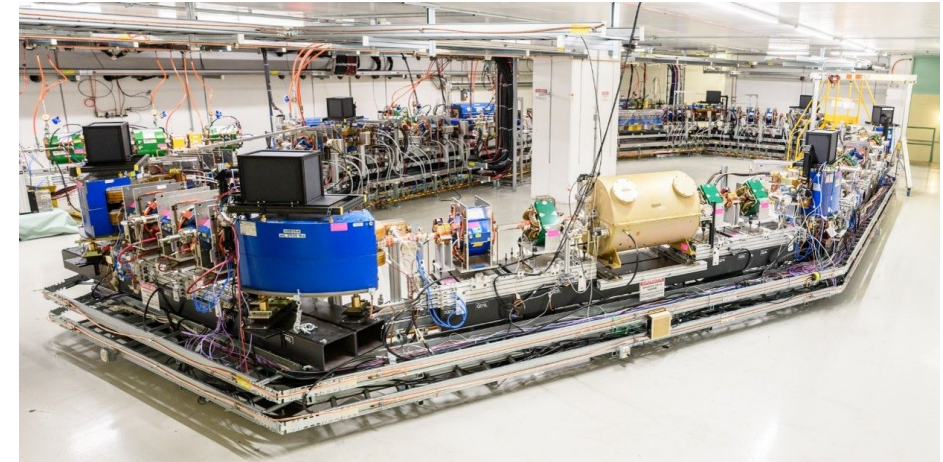


Overview

- IOTA at Fermilab
- Electron Lens
- Electron Cooling
- Thermionic Sources for Cooling
- Electron Source Test Stand
- Conclusions

IOTA at Fermilab

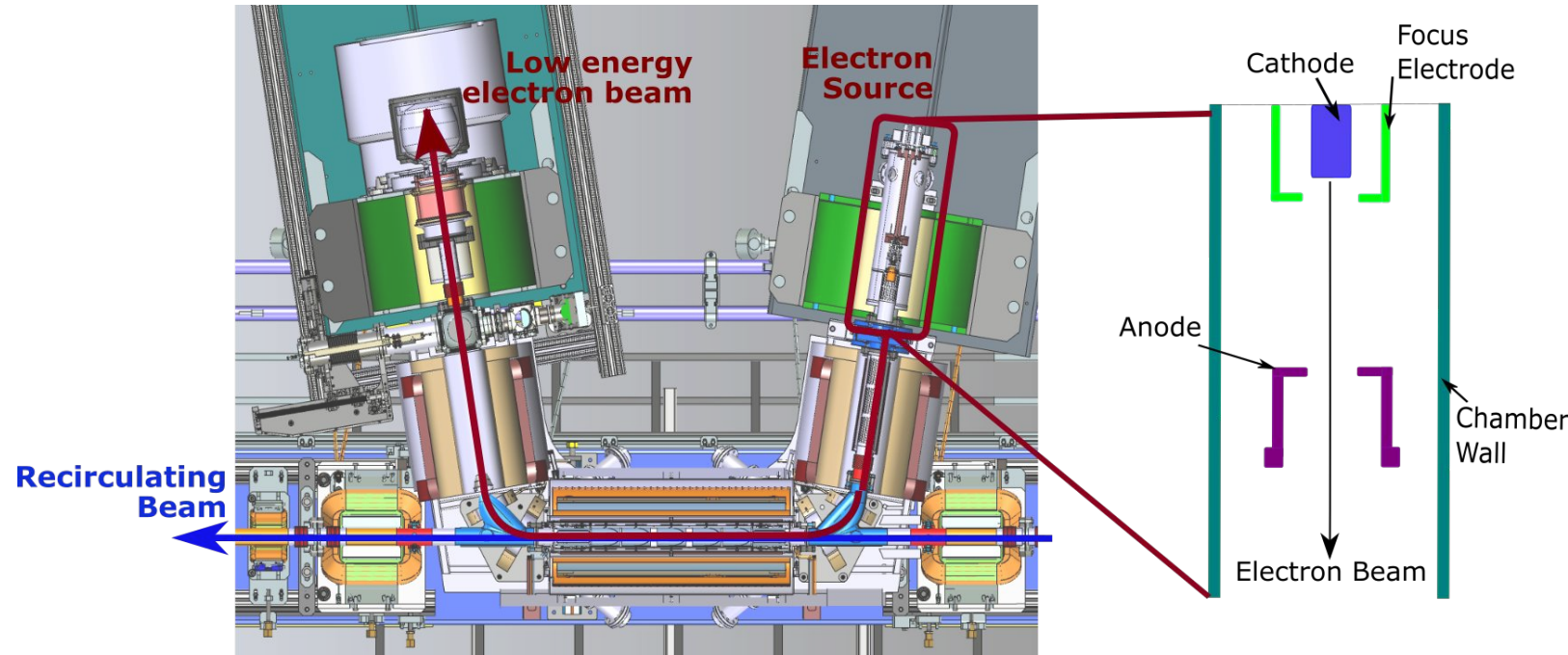
- Integrable Optics Test Accelerator (IOTA)
- Easily re-configurable 40 m storage ring.
- Test facility dedicated to research on intense beams:
 - Nonlinear Integrable Optics (NIO) - Experimental Studies of Nonlinear Integrable Optics, N. Kuklev
 - space-charge
 - beam cooling - J. Jarvis (FNAL) FRXD1
 - Single electron storage - A. L. Romanov (FNAL) TUZE1
- Circulates both electrons and protons.
 - **Focus: Circulating 2.5 MeV protons to investigate intense space-charge regime**



| C | KE | τ_{rev} | h | N_{bunch} | $v_{x,y}$ |
|---------|---------|--------------|---|---------------|--------------|
| 39.96 m | 2.5 MeV | 1.83 μ s | 4 | Coasting or 4 | 4.117, 3.632 |

Electron Lens

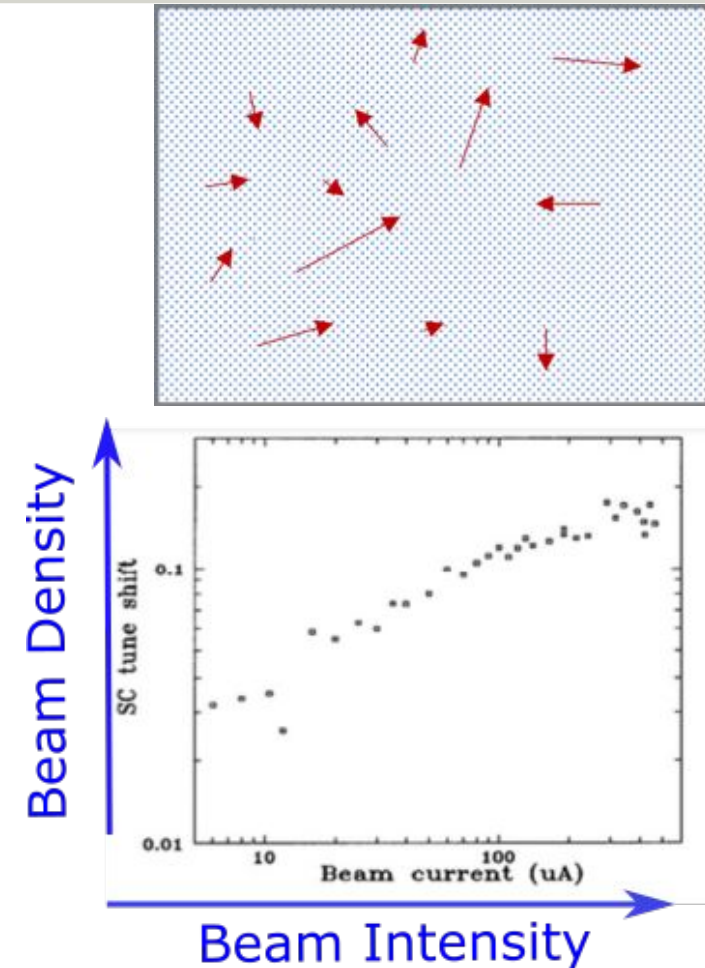
- **Electron Lens:**
 - Low-energy, magnetically confined electron beam
 - Overlap with circulating beam
 - Field from the electrons can shape the phase space structure of the beam
 - Magnetic field in beam overlap enhances stability of two-beam system



- **Electron Lens at IOTA:**
 - Nonlinear element to create integrable lattices McMillan Lens : B. Cathey MOPA17
 - Electron cooler - for experiments with proton beams requiring range of lifetimes, emittances, and brightness

Electron Cooling at IOTA

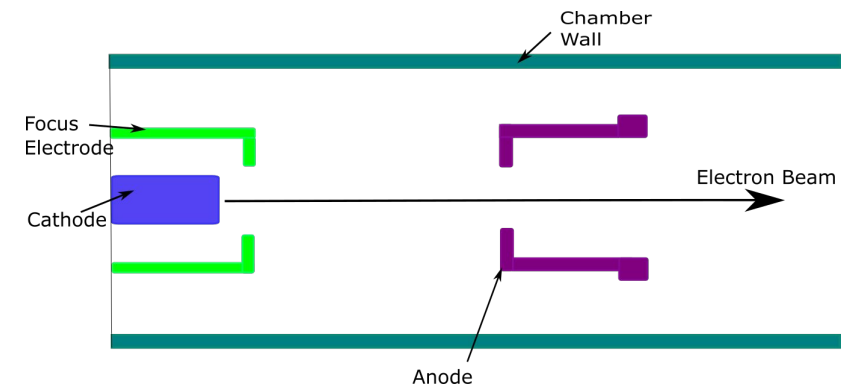
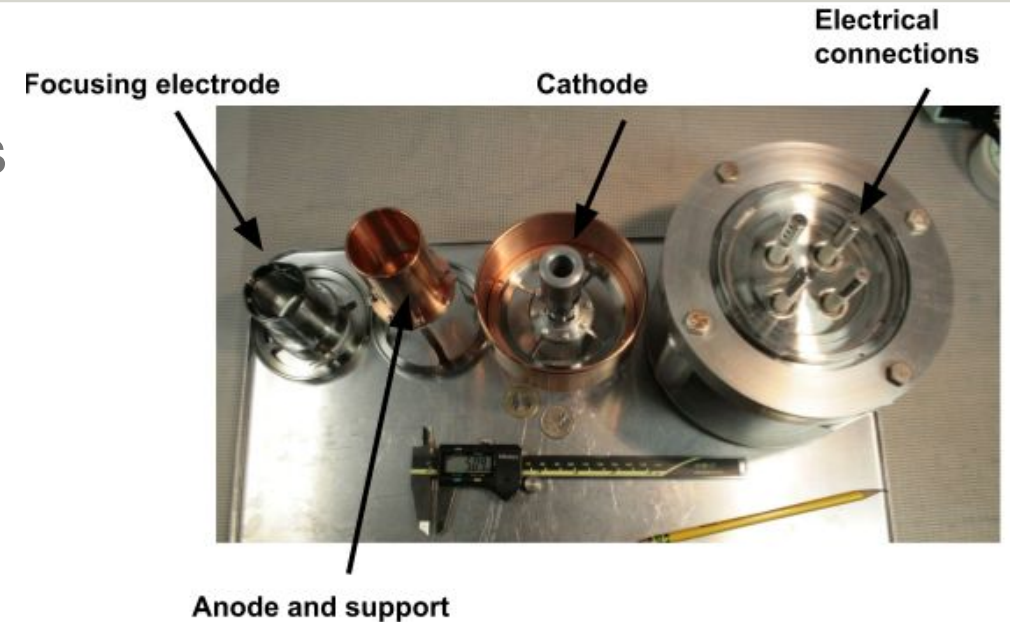
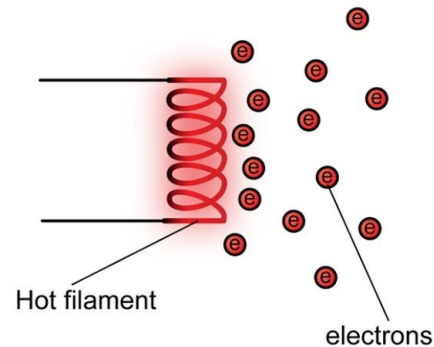
- **Electron cooling:** Ion beam exchanges thermal energy with a co-propagating electron beam.
- Goals at IOTA:
 - Counter emittance growth in 2.5MeV proton beam and other beam manipulations
 - Explore cooling in intense space-charge regime.
 - Study interplay between wakefields, space charge and electron cooling. A. Burov, Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams 22, 034202, 2019
- Need two coolers:
 - Simple Electron Source: Cooling the Proton beam at IOTA. Tool for other experiments at IOTA.
 - Strong Electron Source: Studying effects of electron cooling in ion beams with intense space-charge.



S. Nagaitsev et al., Proceedings Particle Accelerator Conference, 1995, pp. 2937-2939

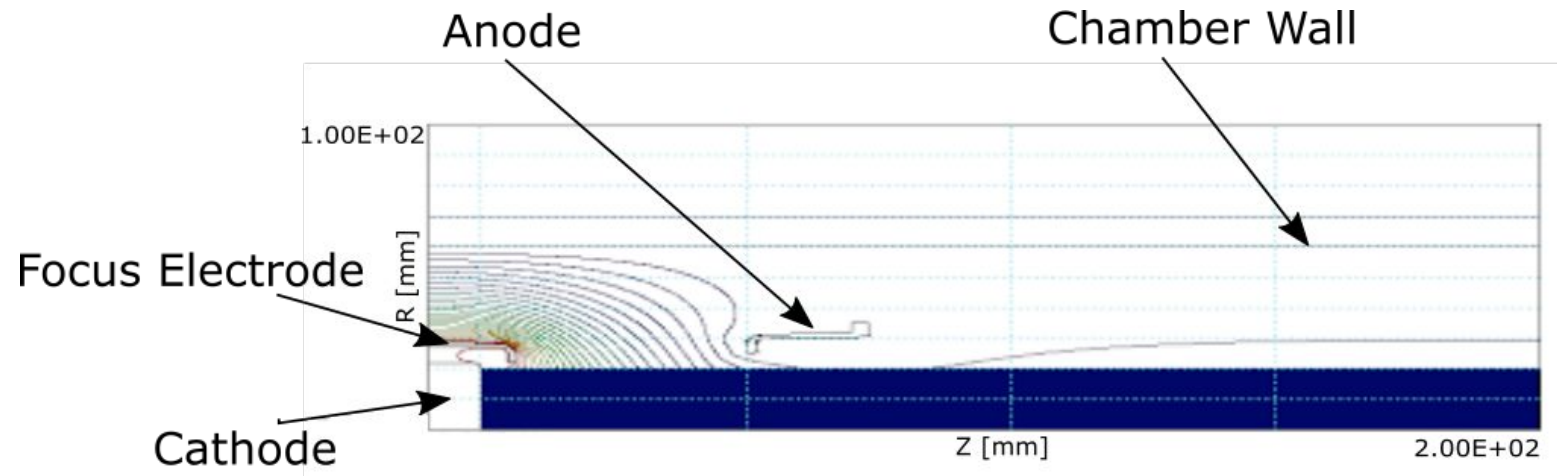
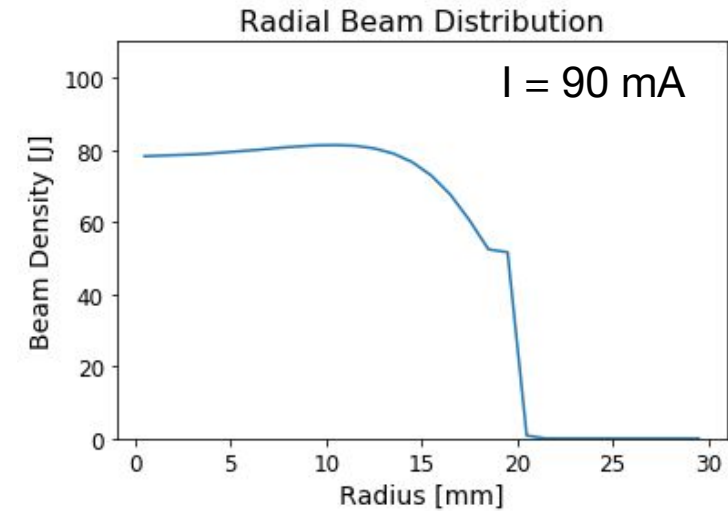
Electron Sources

- **Thermionic Emission:** Cathode heated by filament, supplying thermal energy to electrons
 - Emission occurs when electrons overcome work function of cathode surface (Temp near 1400K)
- Collimated beam: electrons perform cyclotron motion in high B-field line.
- Sources for IOTA:
 - Similar to others developed at Fermilab
 - B-field of both source and main solenoid: 0.1 T.



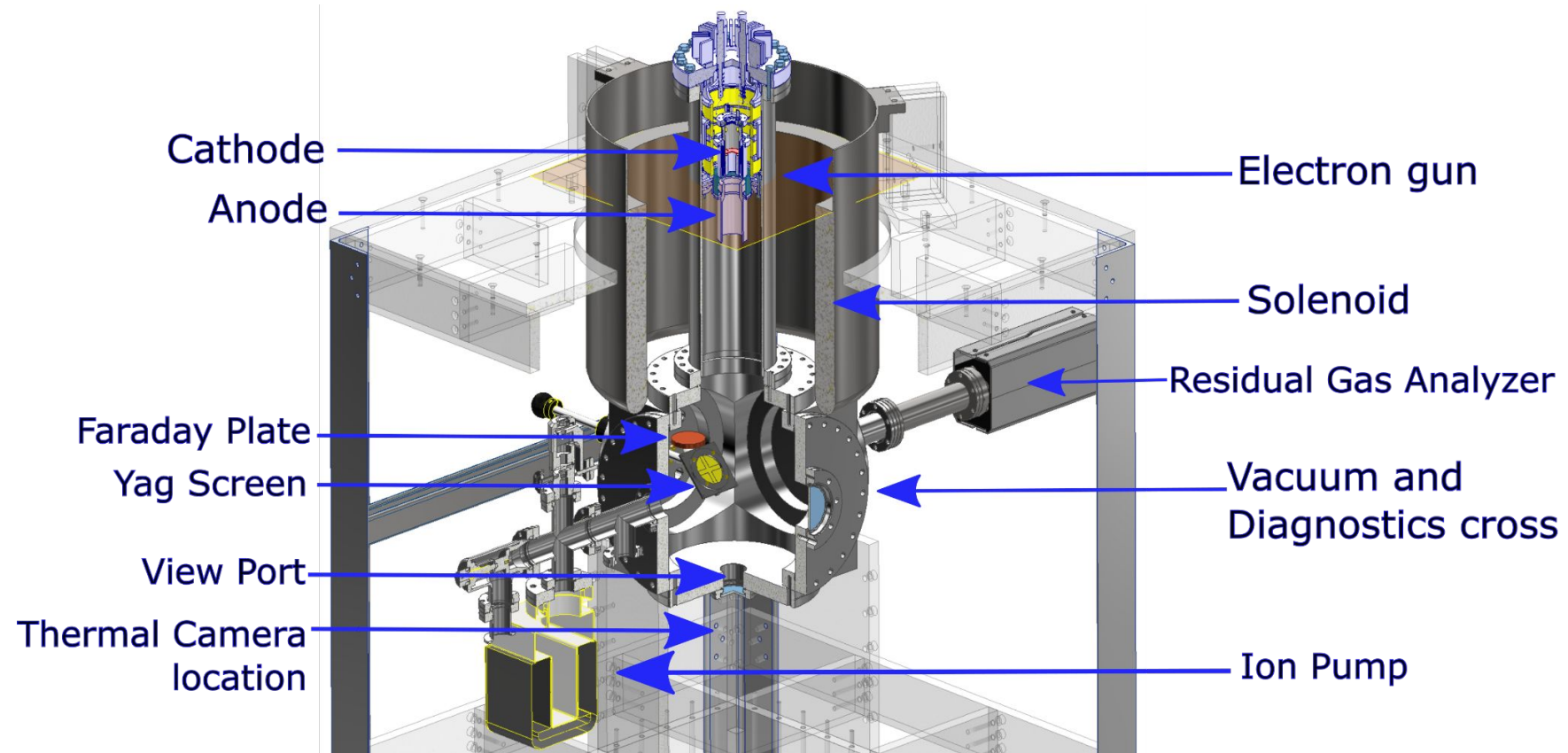
Basic Electron Source Design

- Same B-field at both source and cooler:
 - same beam parameters at the source.
- Simulations in **TRAK** "Trak Charged Particle Toolkit," Field Precision LLC, 2022.
- **Specifications for Electron beam at the cooler:**
 - Beam energy: 1.36 KeV
 - Cathode ϕ : 40 mm
 - B-field: 0.1 T
 - Current: 1 mA
 - Flat beam distribution
- in process of designing strong source



Test Stand for Thermionic Sources

- **Constructing test stand** at the University of Chicago
- Test stand goals to validate electron source operations:
 - Vacuum performance
 - Thermal performance
 - Beam current
 - Beam distribution



Test Stand Diagnostics

- **Cathode Temperature Measurement**

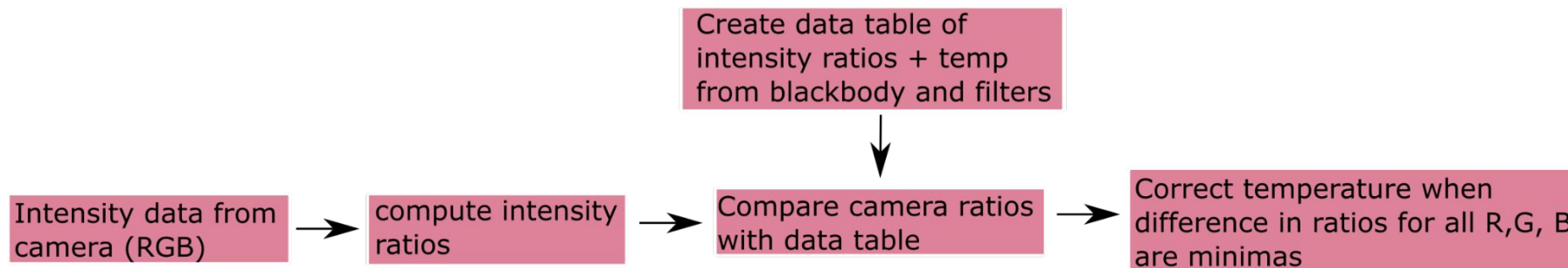
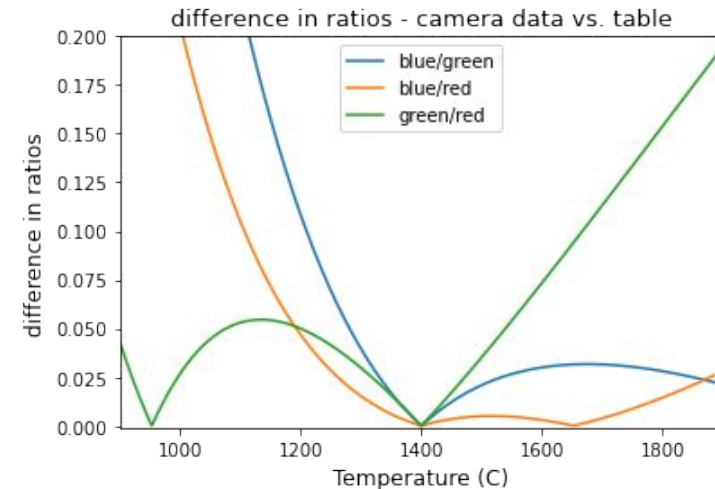
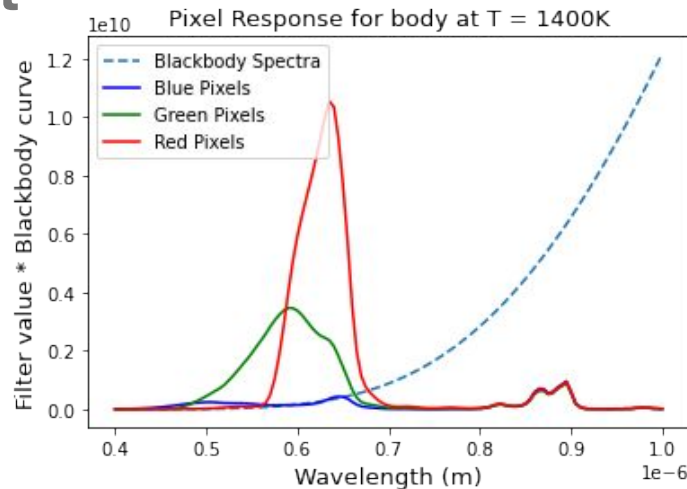
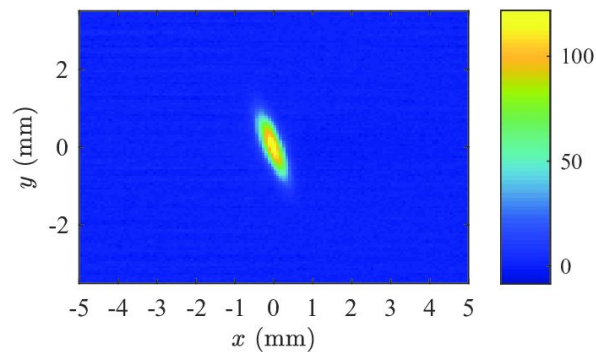
- Algorithm to measure temperature of cathode in the test stand.

- **Yag Screen**

- beam distribution measurement

- **Faraday Plate**

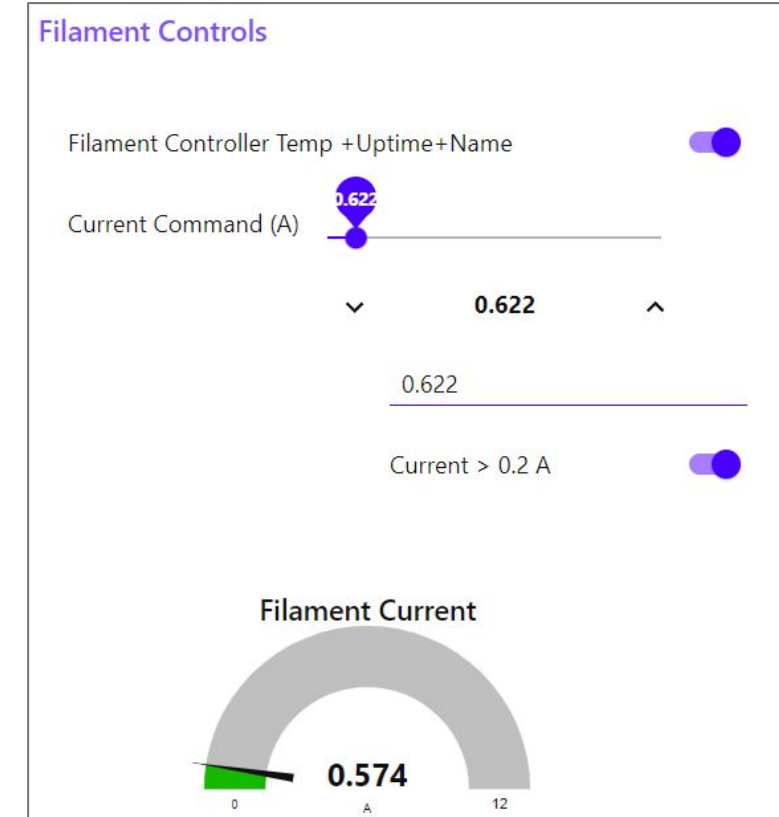
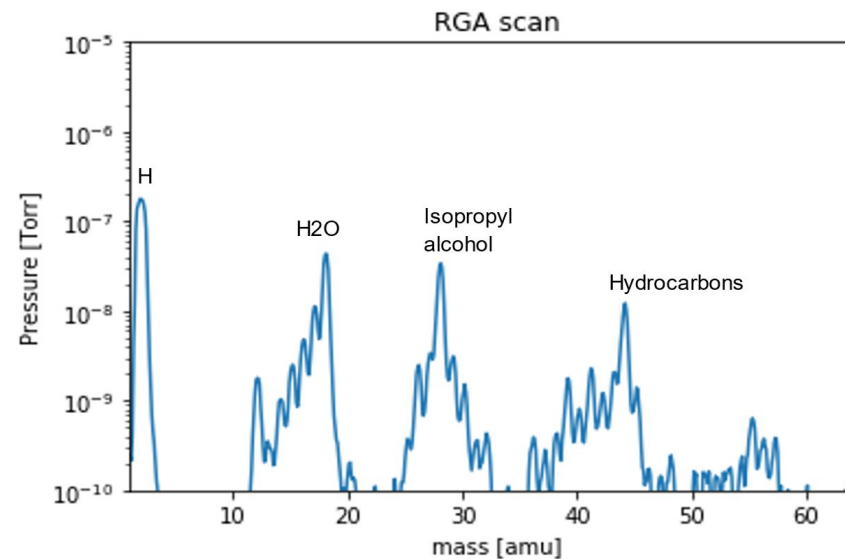
- Beam current measurement



Kent Wootton, et al. Proceedings 8th International Beam Instrumentation Conference, 2020, DOI: 10.18429/JACoW-IBIC2019-TUPP039

Test Stand Diagnostics

- Vacuum Measurement
- Residual Gas Analyzer
 - mass spectrometer
- Mounts for cameras
- For analyzing the data:
 - User Interface - Node Red
 - Will use to communicate with hardware and store data



Conclusions

- Electron Cooling can improve beam quality for hadron beams.
- IOTA will use electron cooling for research towards how cooling interacts with high space-charge and instabilities.
- We are designing two electron sources for cooling:
 - Proton beam cooling
 - Strong space-charge regime research
- Developing test stand to analyze these and other electron sources
- Next steps:
 - bake-out of test stand
 - develop optimization method for electron source electrode design

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Appendix

Table 1: Typical Operation Parameters for Protons in IOTA

| Parameter | Value | Unit |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Circumference (C) | 39.96 | m |
| Kinetic energy (K_b) | 2.5 | MeV |
| Emittances ($\epsilon_{x,y}$) | 4.3, 3.0 | μm |
| Momentum spread (σ_p/p) | 1.32×10^{-3} | |
| | Coasting | Bunched |
| Number of bunches | - | 4 |
| Bunch length (σ_s) | - | 0.79 |
| Beam current (I_b) | 6.25 | 1.24 |
| Bunch charge (q_b) | 11.4 | 0.565 |
| Tune shifts ($\Delta\nu_{x,y}$) | -0.38, -0.50 | |
| $\tau_{\text{IBS},x,y,z}$ | 6.4, 4.2, 8.1 | 8.7, 6.0, 23 |

Table 2: Electron Cooler Parameters for IOTA

| Parameter | Values | Unit |
|--|-------------------------------|------|
| Proton parameters | | |
| RMS Size ($\sigma_{b,x,y}$) | 3.22, 2.71 | mm |
| Main solenoid parameters | | |
| Magnetic field (B_{\parallel}) | 0.1 - 0.5 | T |
| Length (l_{cooler}) | 0.7 | m |
| Flatness ($\langle B_{\perp} \rangle / B_{\parallel}$) | 2×10^{-4} | |
| Electron parameters | | |
| Kinetic energy (K_e) | 1.36 | keV |
| Temporal Profile | DC | |
| Transverse Profile | Flat | |
| Source temp. (T_{cath}) | 1400 | K |
| Current (I_e) | 1 40 | mA |
| Radius (a) | 20 12 | mm |
| $\tau_{\text{cool},x,y,s}$ | 37, 33, 18 3.4, 3.2, 1.7 | s |

Appendix

- Our system will enable study of magnetized electron cooling of proton beam with transverse incoherent space charge tune shifts approaching -0.5.
- e-cooling min beam size: corresponds to transverse space-charge tune shifts of 0.1-0.2.
- Setup capable of exploring dynamics due to space-charge in the regime of large transverse tune shifts up to $\Delta\nu_{x,y} = -0.5$.
- Electron beam size is chosen to effectively cool at least 3σ of the transverse proton beam size.
- Maximum current of the cooler: the velocity depression at center of the electron beam due to space-charge forces is of the same order as the standard deviation of the velocity distribution of the ion beam.

Appendix

- Proton beam diagnostics: beam position monitors and a DC current transformer.
- The simple cooler configuration: low current regime, where space-charge tune shifts of the ions are less than 0.1 and IBS is the major driver of emittance growth.
- The strong cooler configuration is designed to cool proton beams where the transverse space-charge tune shift is more than 0.1.