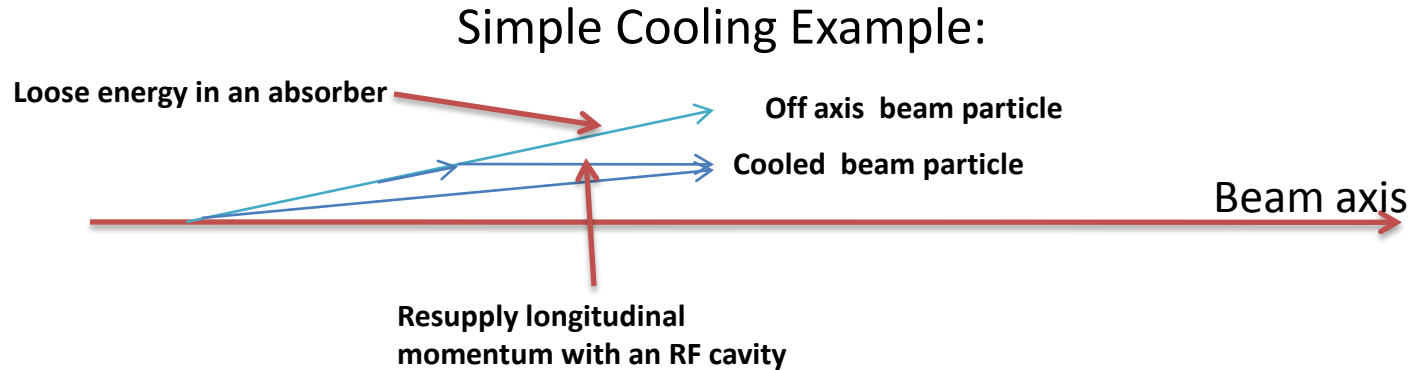


# High Pressure Gas Filled RF Cavities: Over view of their use in cooling muons



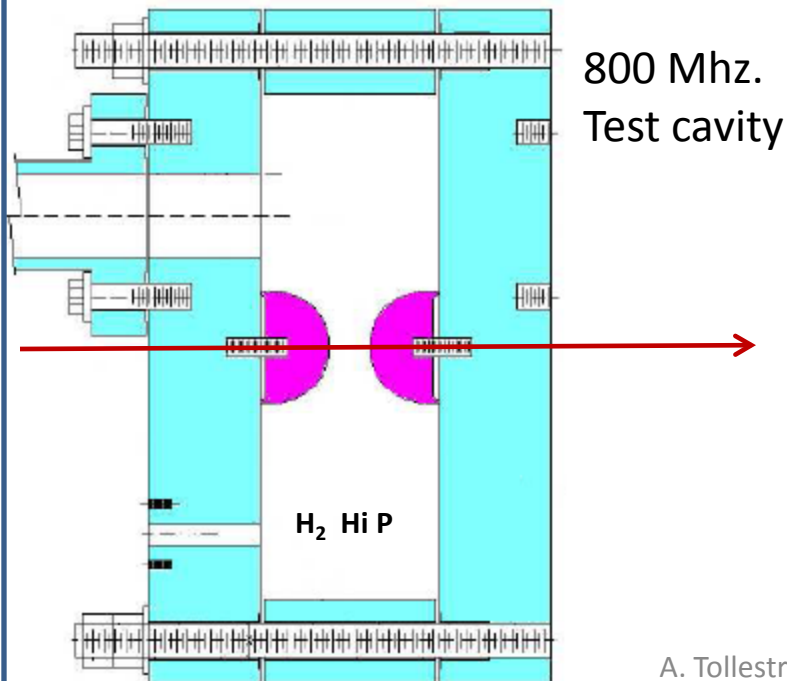
Cooling requires lots of RF acceleration:

1. Take a 200 MeV/C muon
2. Put it thru 100 MeV/C absorber
3. Re-apply 100 MeV/C from an RF cavity
4. This reduces transverse momentum by a factor of 2.
5. We need about a factor of 4096 or 12 stages or 1200 MeV/C of RF

**RF acceleration is the key to cooling**  
**But there has to be strong magnetic fields to focus the particles and**  
**RF cavities don't like to work in hi B**

## Cavity used for High P studies

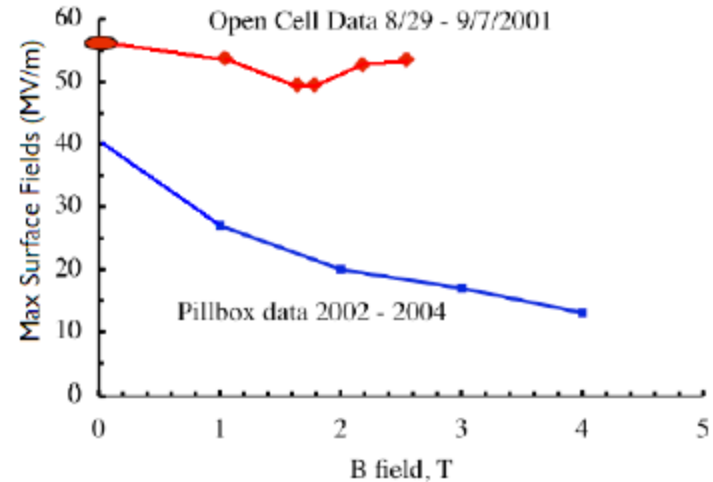
1. H pressure up to 1600 psi
2. E up to 70 MV/m, gap 1.77 cm
3. V across gap up to 1.25 MV
4. Probes monitor field: 1 GHz scope
5. Fiber to pmt
6. Fiber to spectrometer
7. MTA 400 MeV proton beam thru center



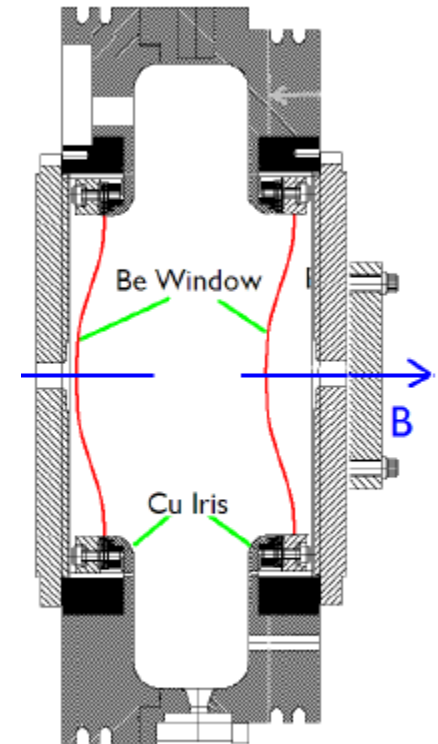
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## The Problem

### Effect of B on a pill box vacuum cavity



- Pill box cavity has much higher gradient than an open cell type.
- Breaks down easily when an axial B field is applied. Which is typical in a cooling channel with solenoid focusing.



# Why do cavities breakdown?



Electron microscope shadowgrams of a optically polished Al surface before (R.) and after (L.) applying a field of 40 MV/m. A field emission current of 1 microamp was observed.

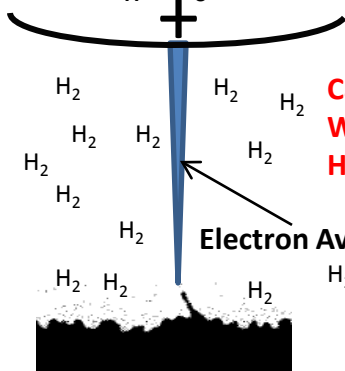
Sharp points on the cavity surface see a high E field. This field can cause field emission of electrons .

1. Current proportional to  $E^n$   $9 < n < 15$
2. X-rays generated by electrons hitting cavity walls.
3.  $n$  (see 1 above) is primary source of information about the metal surface in cavities. Non destructive before breakdown.

## Gas Filled Cavities

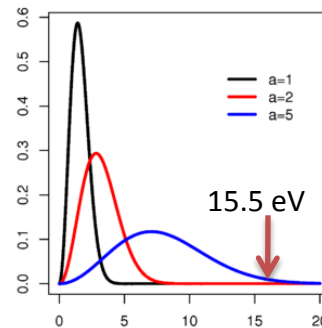
No focusing of electron avalanche

$$V_{rf} = V_0 \sin[\omega t]$$

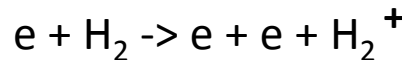


**Cavity Energy**  
 $W = 1/2 C V^2$  1 joule  
 Heats gas

Electron Avalanche



Electron dist. eV

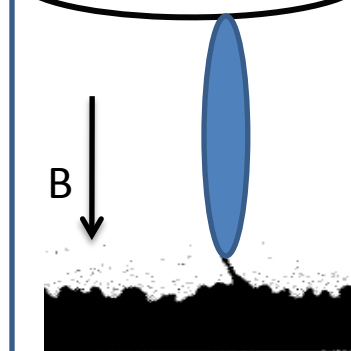


**Collision frequency  $\gg$  cyclotron frequency**  
**B has no effect !**

## Vacuum Cavities

Hot Spot Arc forms

B Focuses electrons



**Cavity Energy**  
 $W = 1/2 C V^2$  1 joule  
 All goes into melting copper.

# Uses of HPRF Cavities

## 1. Helical Cooling Channel:

- Whole channel filled with hi pressure hydrogen.
- Hydrogen is the  $dE/dx$  material for beam energy loss.
- Hydrogen fills the cavity to solve B problem.
- High pressure windows only at the ends of the channel which contains many box cavities with thin windows.

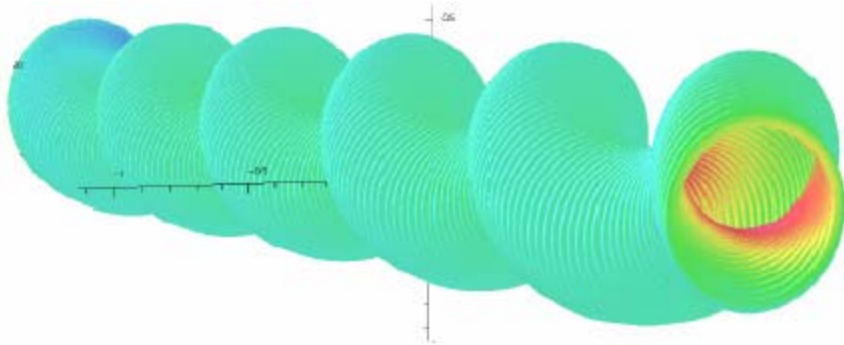
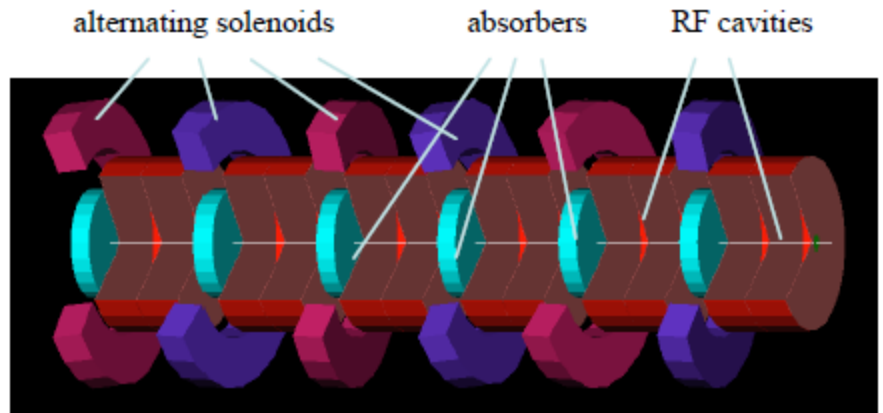


Figure 2: Helical solenoids for low-field section.

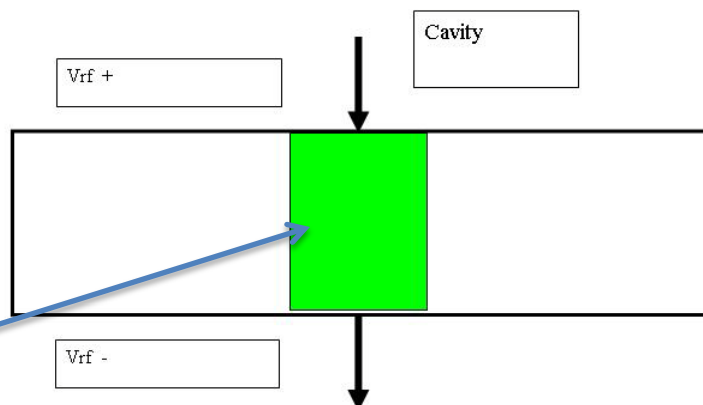
## 2. Normal FOFO cooling channel :

- $dE/dx$  material may be  $LH_2$  or  $LiH$ .
- Focusing solenoids independent structures.
- Pill box cavities each have pressure window. Pressure is kept as low as necessary to insulate the cavity. The scattering in the window is tolerable. H still solves the B problem.



# Toy Example

1. Number muons =  $10^{11}$
2. Gas density = .016 g/cc.
3. E cavity =  $16 \cdot 10^6$
4. V cavity 400 KV peak
5. Molecules/cc =  $4.8 \cdot 10^{21}$
6. Ions/cc =  $1.0 \cdot 10^{14}$
7. B=10 T.



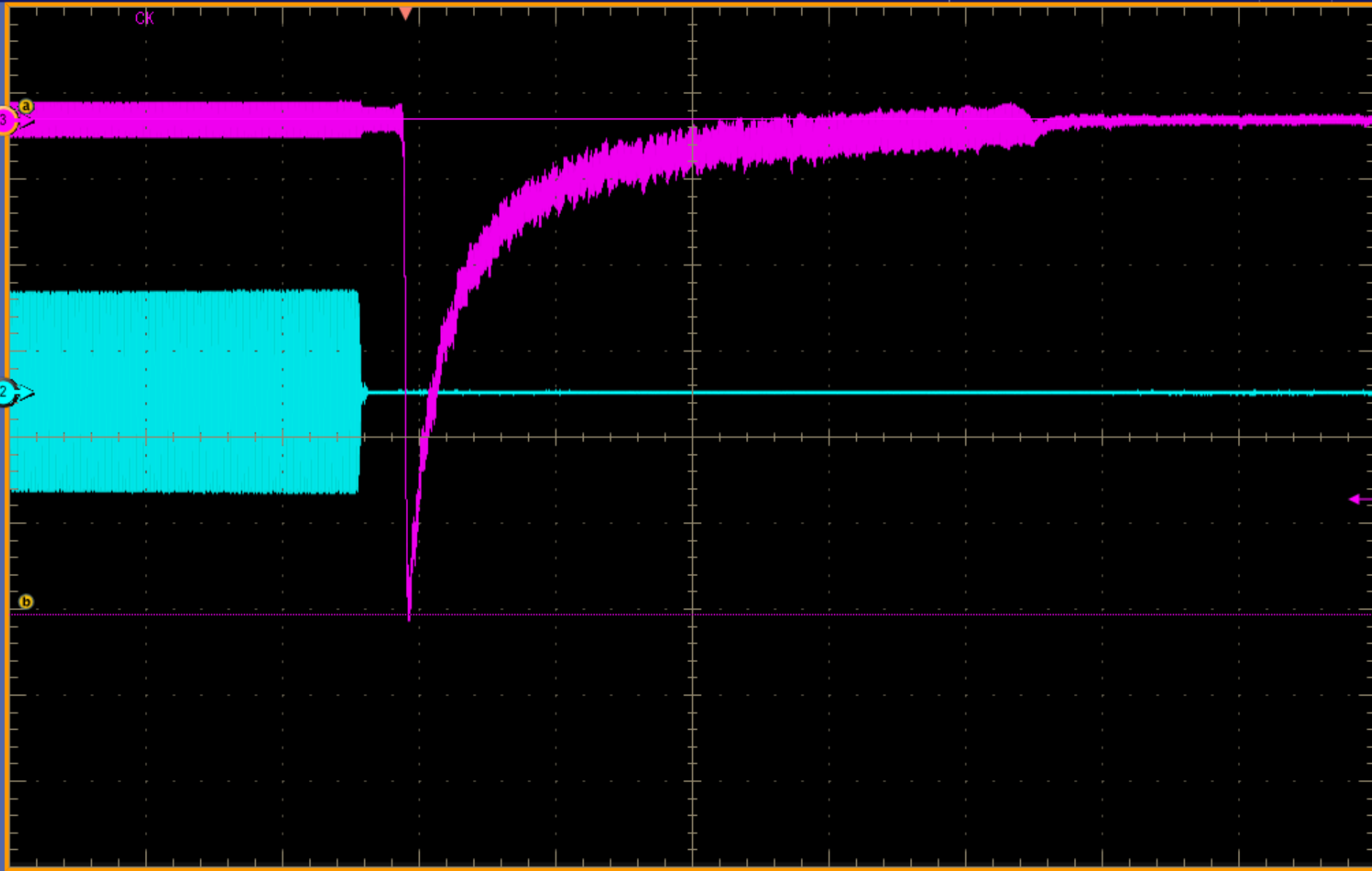
The electrons move back and forth with the electric field but the positive ions are essentially stationary.

$J = n e v$  but  $v = \mu E$  where  $\mu$  is the mobility of the electrons. The energy loss in the gas is  $W_g = j E / cc$   
Or  $W_g = (n e \mu E) E = (n e \mu) E^2$ . So the quantity  $(n e \mu)$  plays the role of a resistance damping the cavity. In this example, the cavity Q = **330!**

## Two Solutions:

1. The electrons are captured by the positive ions. We think this is too slow and is of the order of a microsecond.
2. Insert an electro-negative gas that captures the electrons. Has been tried and increases the breakdown voltage. It has also been modeled. SF6 has nasty secondary by products.

Are these calculations correct? Need beam measurements!



C2 1.0V/div     50Ω  $B'_W: 1.0G$   
C3 10.0mV/div     50Ω  $B'_W: 1.0G$

V1 200.0μV  
V2 -57.4mV  
ΔV -57.6mV

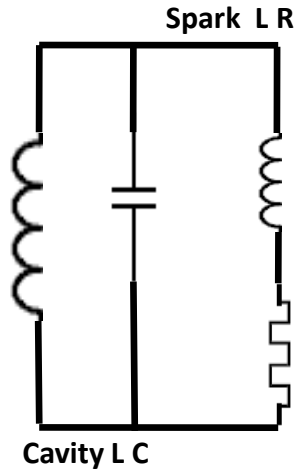
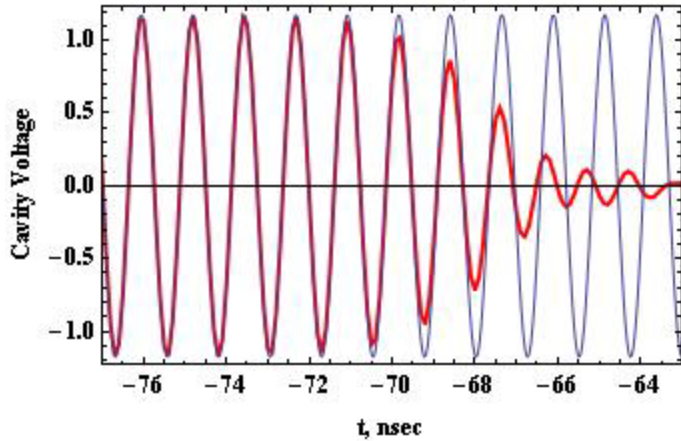
A' C3  $\setminus$  -44.0mV

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# Some Results from breakdown studies

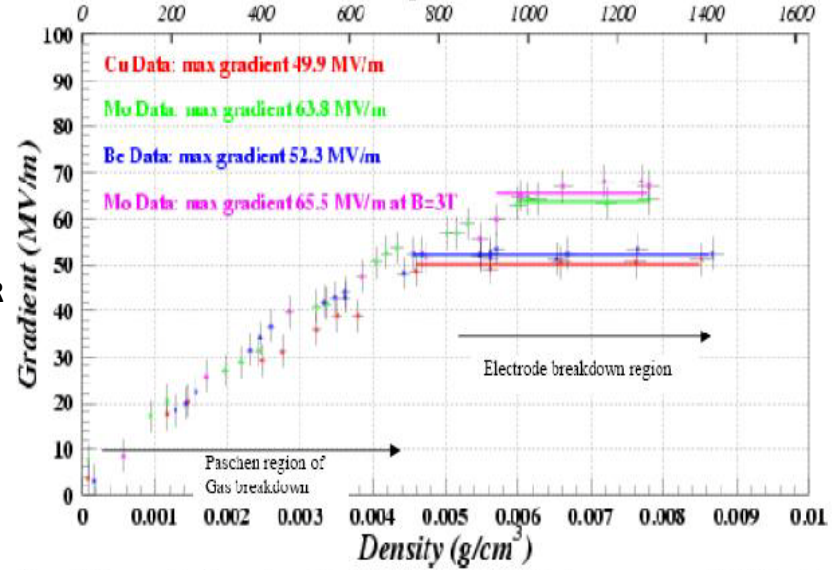
Red: Cavity voltage during breakdown

Blue: Extrapolation of RF voltage from earlier time



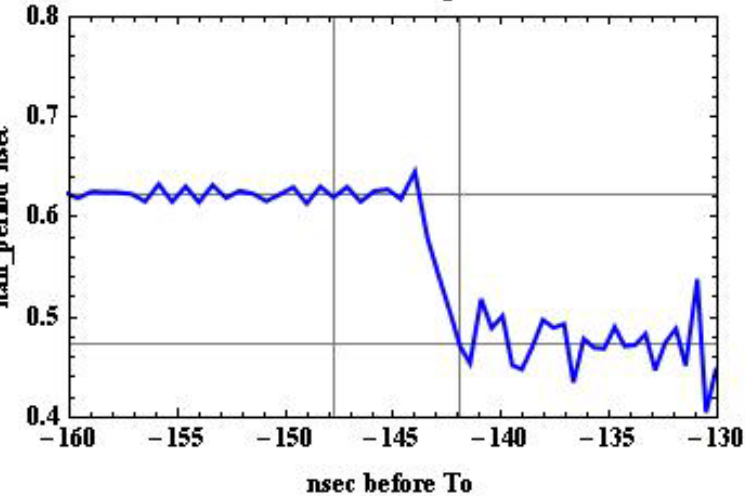
Cavity L C

Pressure (psia) at  $T=293K$



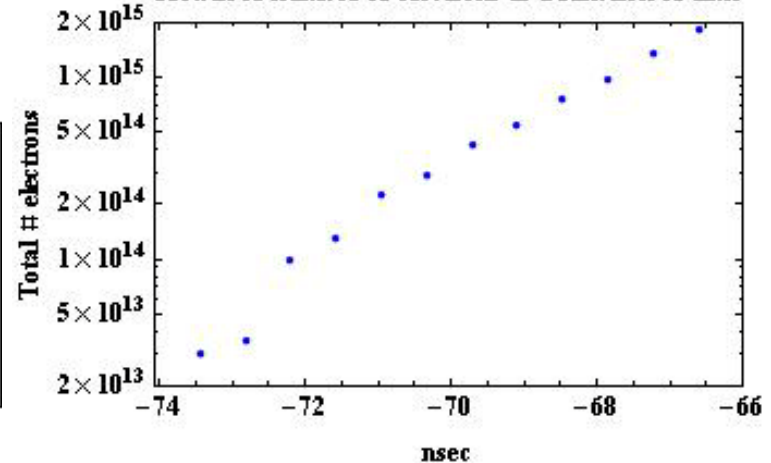
Half period shift at breakdown, ch2

Time cuts for freq. shown



Cav L	$2.413 \times 10^{-8}$
Cav freq	$8.04572 \times 10^8$
ArcFreq	$9.67118 \times 10^8$
Lmin	$1.67004 \times 10^{-8}$
L spark	$5.42403 \times 10^{-8}$
Spark radius	$3.25322 \times 10^{-6}$
Bmax	24.5296
P in atmos	2394.09

Growth of number of electrons as a function of time



## Questions for MTA Studies:

- 1. Are the gas losses correctly calculated?
- 2. How fast does the recombination take place?
- 3. If recombination is too slow, does SF6 work?
- 4. What happens to the plasma after beam passes?

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