

## **Results of Optical Diagnostics of the MERIT Experiment**

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## **Talk Outline**

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- Experimental Method
  - Development of optical diagnostics
  - Optics configuration with respect to beam, magnet, and Hg jet
  - Viewports for optical diagnostics
  - Image processing for data analysis

### • Experimental Results

- Hg jet behavior in magnetic field: Jet height, Surface stabilization, Jet trajectory
- Hg jet interaction with proton beam : Jet disruption length with beam intensity and energy, B field effect to jet disruption
- Response of filamentation on jet surface in B field
  B field effect to Hg jet break up, Filament velocity with beam intensity and energy, Time delay of onset of filamentation and Transient response
- Conclusions

## Introduction

- The Mercury Intense Target experiment is a proof-of-principle demonstration of a free mercury jet target, contained in a 15T solenoid for maximal collection of secondary pions.
  - Liquid type of High-Z material for higher particle production
  - Avoid the destruction of target due to the beam induced thermal stress
  - Can be recycled
- Issues are Hg jet disruption due to the energy deposition of proton beam and Hg jet distortion in strong magnetic field.
- The Hg jet behavior in magnetic field and the Hg jet interaction with proton beam needs to be investigated experimentally.
- The experimental results provide the Hg jet characteristics in magnetic field with high energy of beam and it will be referred to the simulation code development.

#### Mercury Intense Target Experiment : October 22, 2007 ~ November 11, 2007

#### Total 360 of beam shots performed and Images for 227 beam shots collected. **MERIT** beam shot summary website, http://www.hep.princeton.edu/~mcdonald/mumu/target/hkirk/MERIT\_Beam\_Program\_110607.pdf × Cessy **Building 272** CMS Echenevex LHC PA5 FRANCE PA4 Versonnex PA6 TT2 Tunnel SWITZERLAN SUISSE Crozet PZ33 Chevry Bossy. Collex 0 Ornex PM32 PM76 **Prevessin site** Prevessin BA2 PA2 Ferney ALICE BA4 St-Genis BA1 PA8 © 2008 Directories die Datenquelle LHCb ATLAS © 2008 Tele Atlas GOOg BA5 Pointer 46°14'07.72" N 6°02'32.15" E elev 1486 ft Streaming Meyrin site **CERN** sites

#### **Installation of Optical Diagnostics at CERN Tunnel TT2/TT2A**



#### **Key Components For An Intense Proton Target Experiment : Proton Beam, 15T Solenoid Magnet, Hg Jet, and Optical Diagnostics**



#### **Four Viewports for Optical Diagnostics**



#### **Optics Design and Components**



#### **High Speed Cameras**



#### **Magnetic Field Map**



### **Stabilization of Jet Surface by Magnetic Field**



#### **Image Processing Method For Data Analysis**



#### Hg Jet Height vs. Magnetic Field and Distance from Nozzle



**Influence of Magnetic Field and Gravity to Jet Trajectory** 



#### **Interaction of Hg Jet With 14 GeV Beam**





B = 0 Tesla,  $4 \times 10^{12}$  protons

 $B = 5 Tesla, 16 \times 10^{12} protons B = 10 Tesla, 20 \times 10^{12} protons$ 



# Images Showing Typical Beam/Hg Jet Interaction, B=5T, Protons=16TP, E=14GeV, 2000 FPS, Viewport3



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# **Filament Ends at Top Surface Where Beam Leaves and Filament Begins at Bottom Surface Where Beam Enters**



#### Hg Jet Break Up Center



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### Jet Breakup at Center of Jet Where Maximum Energy Deposition Occurs



**Disruption Length Increases with Beam Intensity** 



Threshold beam intensity for disruption increases with magnetic field



**Filamentation Velocity Measurement** 



**Time Delay of Onset of Filamentation** 



Filamentation Velocity Increases with Beam Intensity and Suppressed By Magnetic Field



#### Conclusions

- 1. An optical imaging system was employed to diagnose the Hg jet in a high power target experiment.
- 2. Experiment ran in the Fall 2007.
- 3. Hg jet properties are influenced by the magnetic field.
  - The fluctuations on the jet surface decrease as the magnetic field increases.
  - Hg jet height increases slightly with magnetic field.
  - The deflection of the jet by gravity is reduced at higher magnetic field.
- 4. Disruption of Hg jet by the proton beam begins at the bottom of jet and ends at the top of jet, which is consistent with the beam trajectory across the jet.
- 5. Hg jet breakup is influenced by the magnetic field.
  - The filamentation velocity increases as the beam intensity increases.
  - The magnetic field reduces the filamentation velocity.
  - Disruption length is suppressed by the magnetic field.
  - Onset of filamentation occurs later at higher magnetic field.
- 6. Hg jet breakup is influenced by beam energy and intensity.
  - Disruption length increases with both beam energy and intensity.
  - The intensity threshold for breakup is lower at higher energy.