

Mercury Nozzle Status

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Nozzle Constraints

 Tilted solenoid has imposed new geometry constraints on the nozzle

- Up-beam windows are now at bottom of primary containment
- Nozzle cannot penetrate primary on end flange, currently penetrates from sides
- No interaction between beam & Hg until Hg exits nozzle



Flow Issues

 High flow in small diameter thin-wall lines, tight flow path

- Direction changes cause several problems
 - Pressure drop
 - Vibration
 - Cavitation
 - Tube erosion

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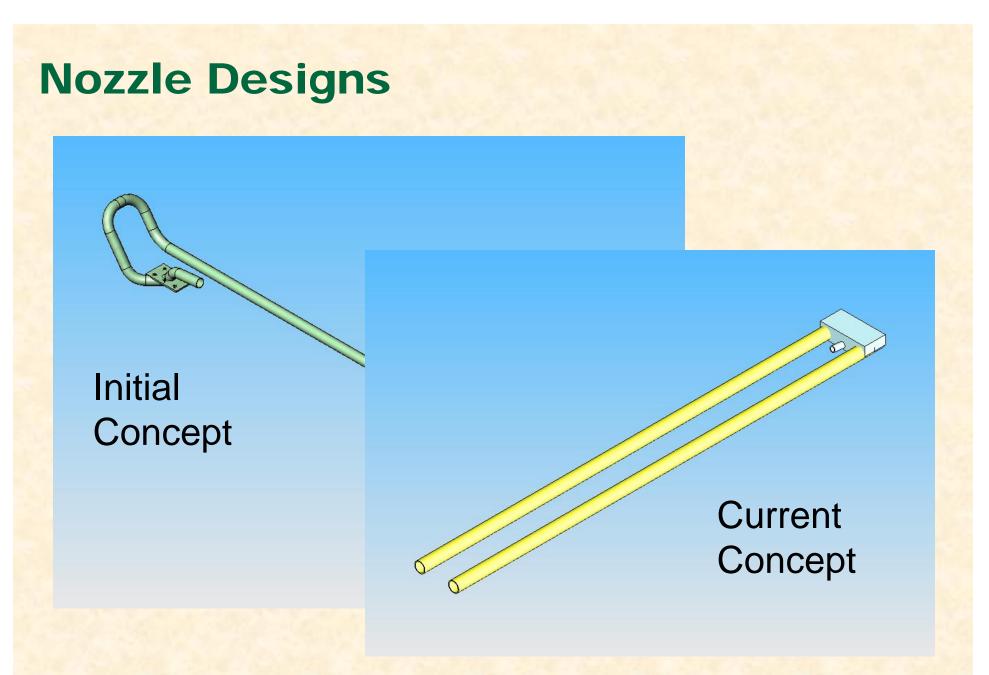


Design Issues

- Desire mechanically attached nozzle for changeout during cold testing – in current concept manifold is welded in position
- Need to maximize pipe diameter to decrease velocity and minimize pressure drop
 - Two supply lines
- Structural requirements for piping restraints not yet investigated
- Possibly supply Hg outside of solenoid in doublewall pipe – a last resort

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Next Steps

- Determine physical constraints – Beam cannot penetrate manifold
- Develop manifold internals for manufacturability
- Flow analysis
- Structural analysis
- Princeton tests

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