

JLAB POLARIZED ^3He TARGET

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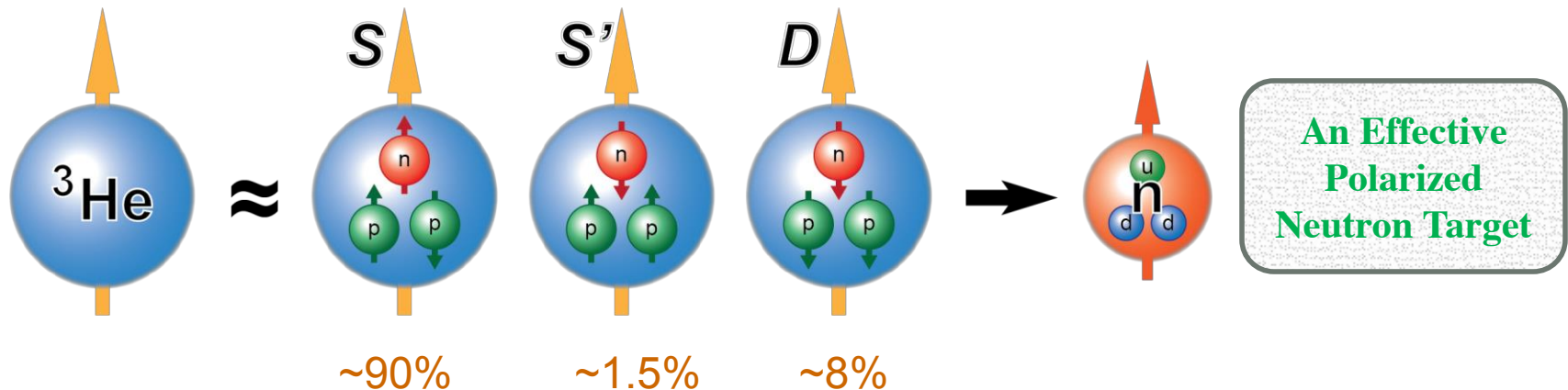
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Introduction

➤ Why Polarized ^3He Target

- Polarized targets essential for nucleon spin structure study
- Free neutrons, short lifetime < 15 minutes
- ^3He and deuteron are two good candidates for an effective neutron target.



Introduction

➤ How to polarize ^3He Target

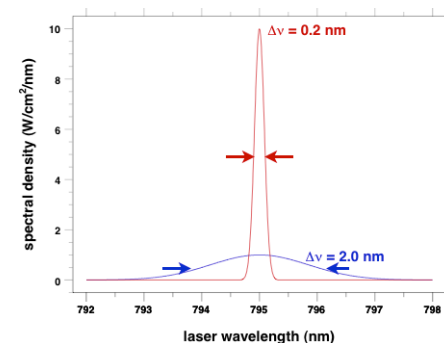
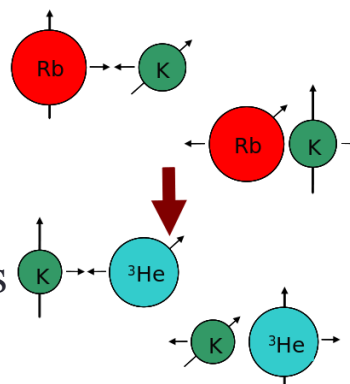
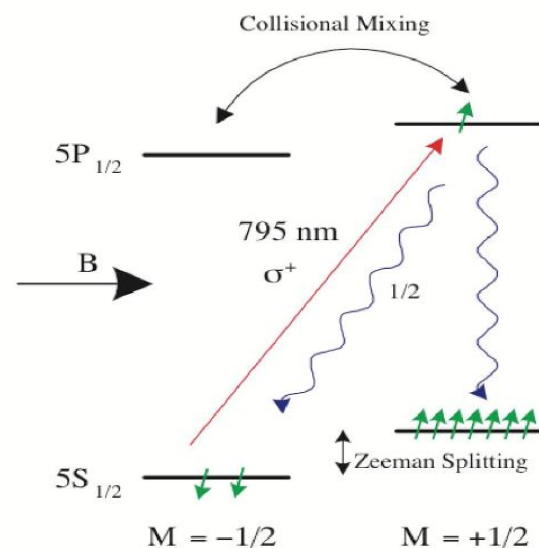
- Spin-exchange optical pumping (SEOP)
 - Polarize the alkali metal atoms
 - Exchange spin with ^3He

➤ Recent improvements in the SEOP:

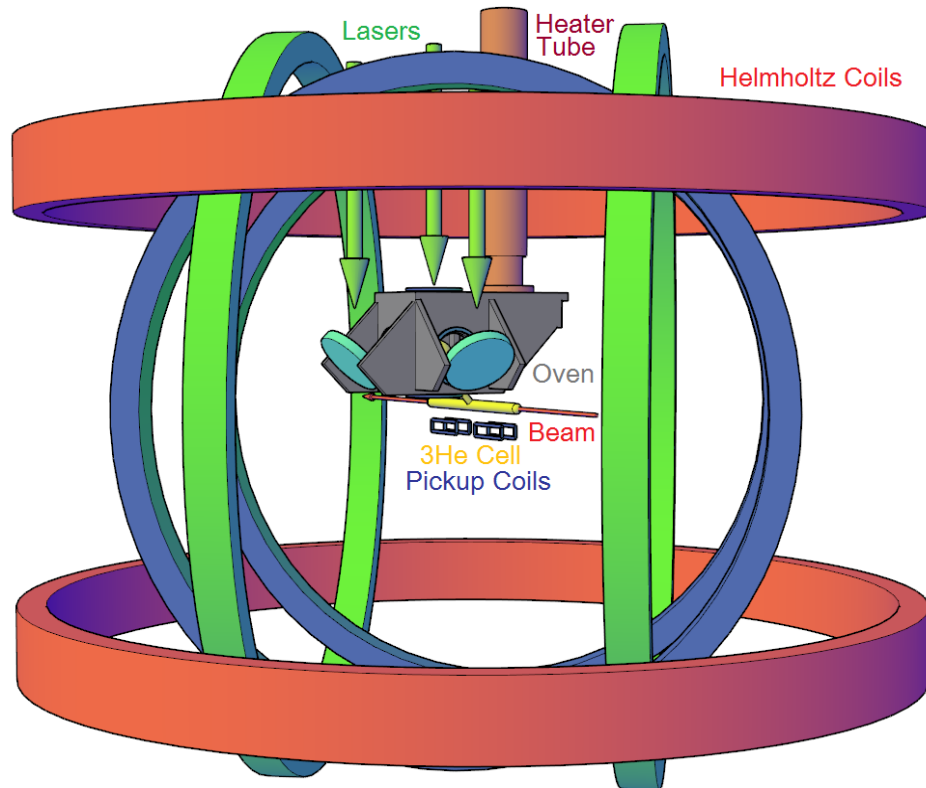
- The change from Rb to Rb-K mixture (hybrid cell)
- The use of spectrally-narrowed diode lasers

➤ Progress

- Spin up time shorten: 10 hours \rightarrow about 5 hours
- In-beam target polarization:
 - 40% \rightarrow 50% (GEN) \rightarrow 60% (Transversity)

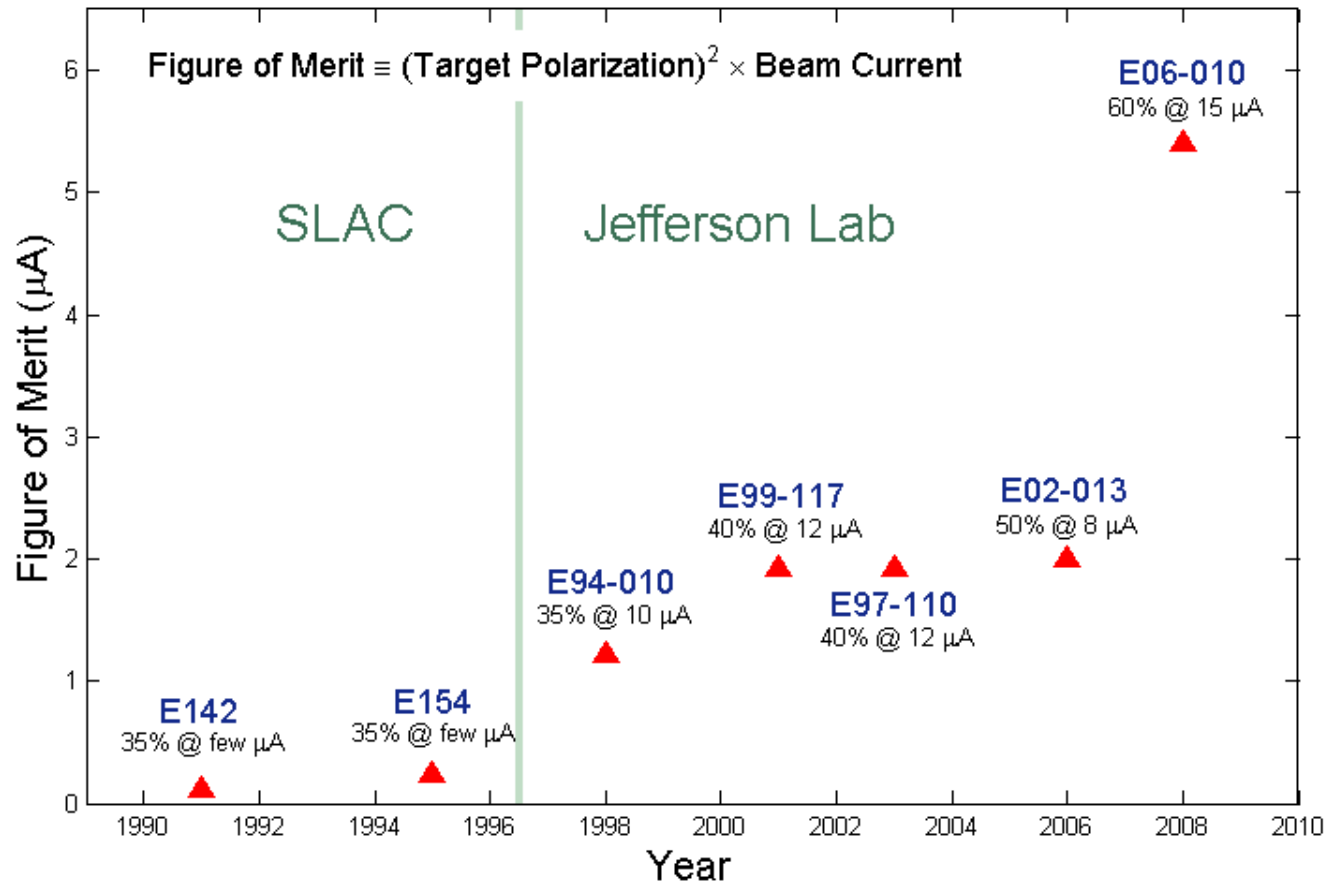


JLab Polarized ^3He Target Overview



- ✓ longitudinal, **transverse and vertical**
- ✓ Luminosity= 10^{36} ($1/\text{cm}^2/\text{s}$)
(highest in the world)
- ✓ High in-beam **polarization 55-60%**,
maximum reached over **70%** without
beam
- ✓ Polarimetry: NMR/water +EPR
total uncertainty **3~5%**
- ✓ Effective polarized neutron target
- ✓ 13 completed experiments
7 approved with JLab 12 GeV

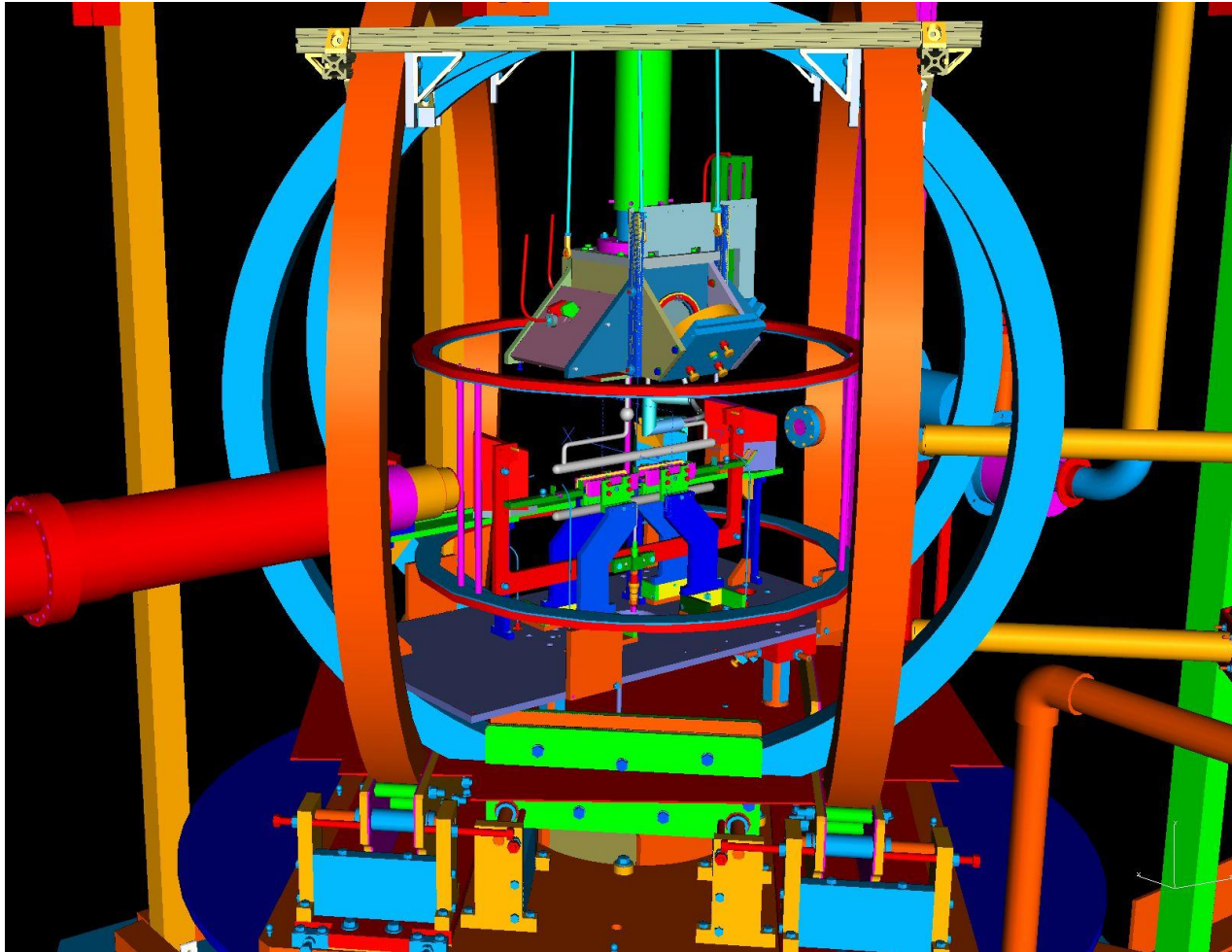
Figure-of-Merit History for High Luminosity Polarized ^3He Target



^3He Target Upgrade Plan

- Upgrade the target with **a factor of 2~3 in FOM** of the best achieved
- To satisfy A_1^n -A requirements/plan:
 - 30 uA on 40 cm convection cell, 60% in beam, 3% polarimetry
 - Use transversity setup with convection cell
 - Uniform polarization between target and pumping chambers
 - → 60% achievable
 - → Eliminate diffusion uncertainty
 - Pulsed NMR, calibrated with EPR and AFP NMR/water ,
 - κ_0 measurements (users)
- R&D progress:
 - Mechanical design
 - Diffusion model test
 - Convection cell tests/transfer heater design
 - Polarization loss study (field gradient, new material, ...)
 - Pulsed NMR setup and systematic study
 - Laser system study
 - Higher current study: shielding needs?

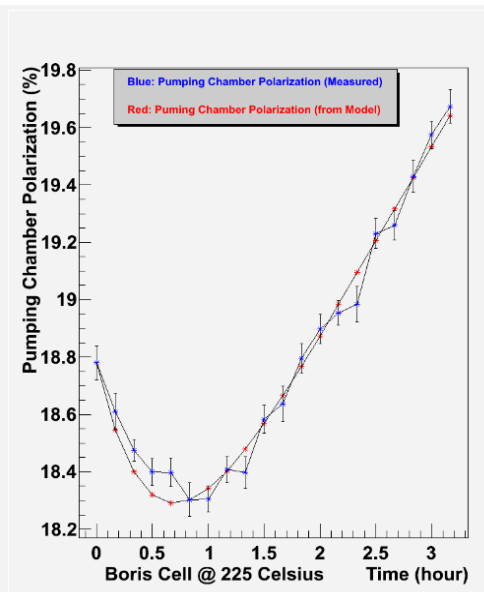
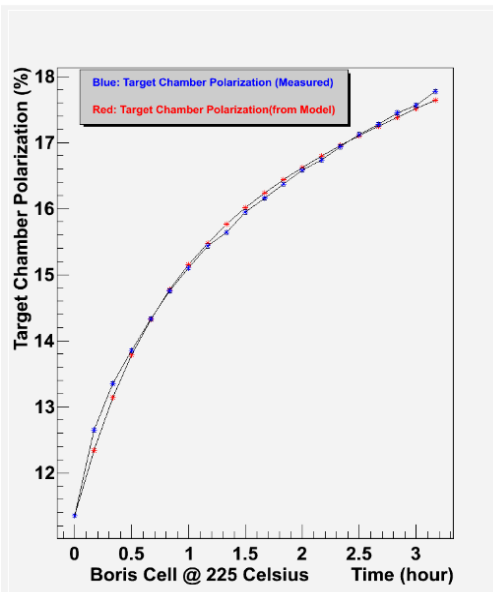
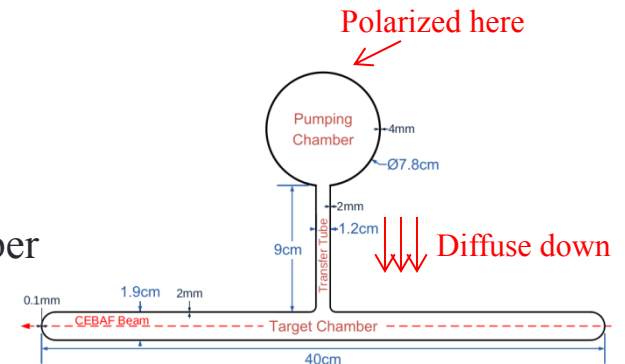
Mechanical Design



Diffusion Model Test

➤ Diffusion Model Test:

- Pump up to high polarization
- Destroy spin polarization along target chamber
Keep pumping chamber polarization as high as possible
- Record the dynamics of polarization progress in two chamber
- Water NMR calibrate the target chamber NMR signal
- EPR calibrate the pumping chamber NMR signal



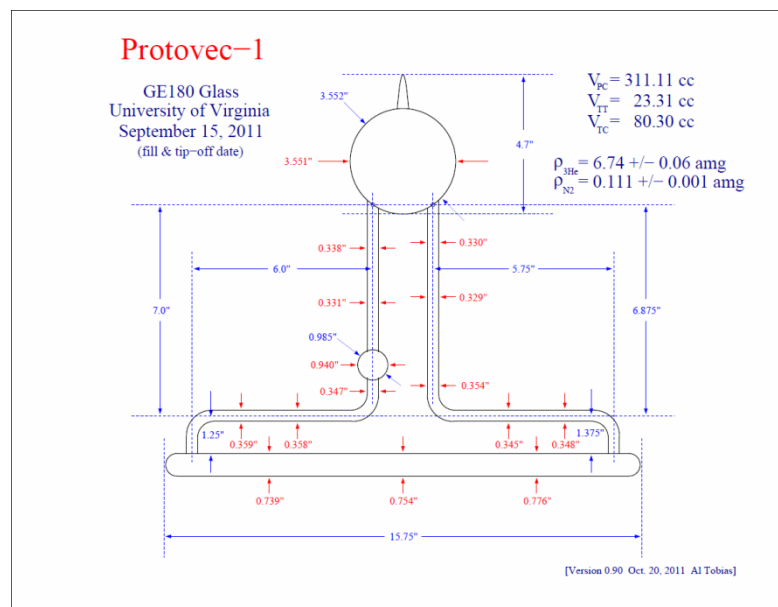
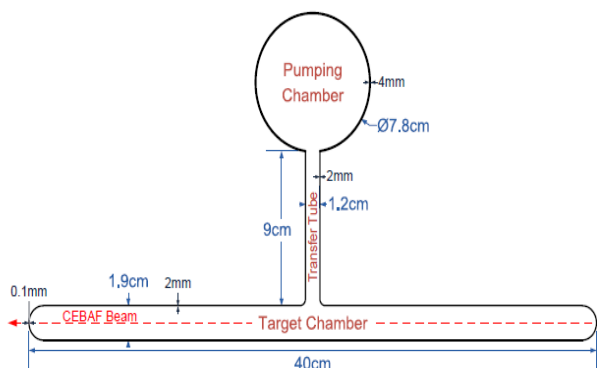
➤ Preliminary Result:

Diffusion time ~ 40 mins

Diffusion Cell to Convection Cell

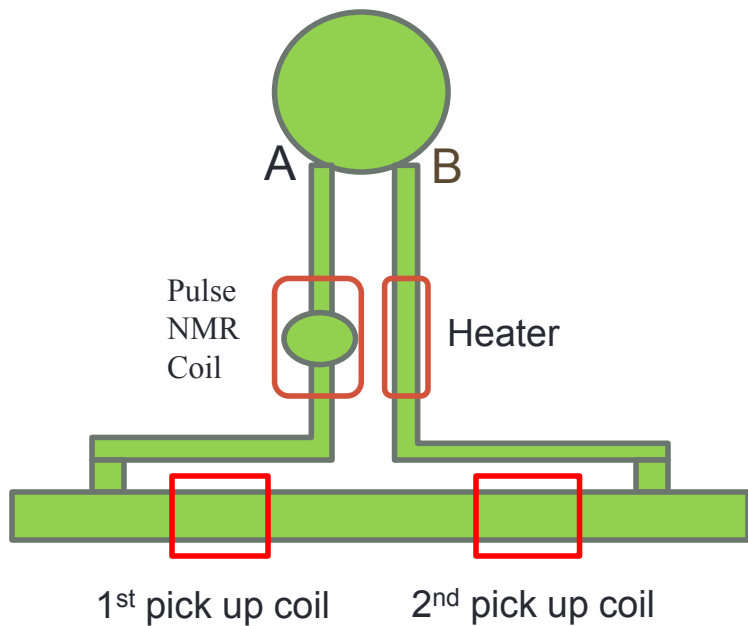
➤ New convection style cell (single pumping chamber)

- “Protovec-I” tested at UVA, transferred to JLab a few months ago
- 3D measurement of the cell, CAD model
- Made customized mount and oven bottom piece
- Testing ongoing at JLab now



^3He Convection Heater

➤ Heater choice and effects study



Silicone Rubber Encapsulated Heating Tape

Kapton (polyimide film) heater
Excellent radiation resistance

Heater instead of convection oven?

Advantage:

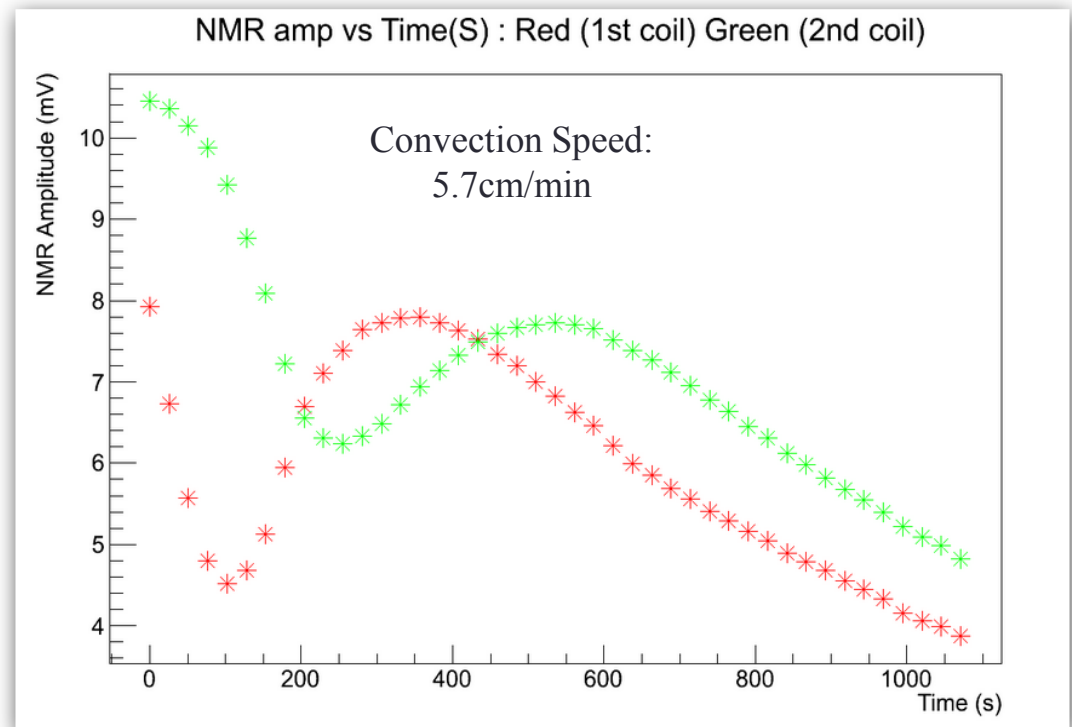
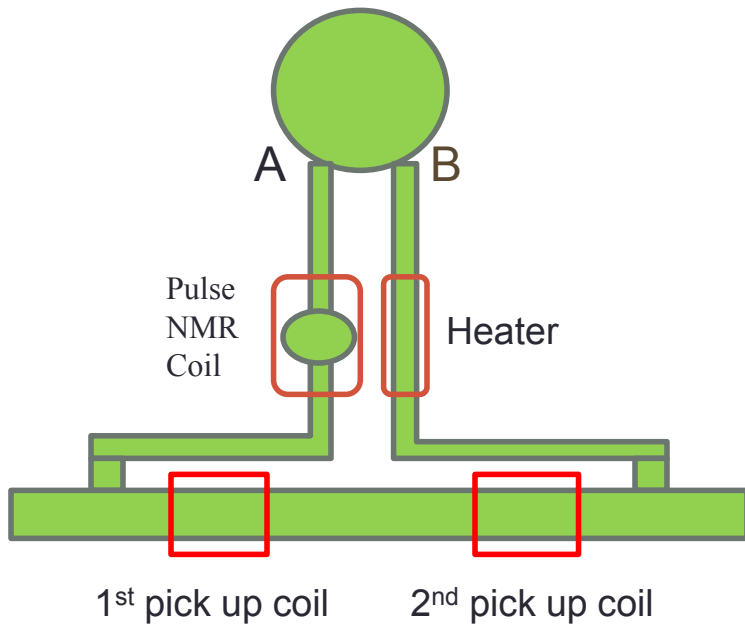
Reduce oven design labor

More convenient to replace cell...

Problem: Affect AFP?

^3He Convection Speed Test

- Convection can be much fast than diffusion (~ 40 mins)

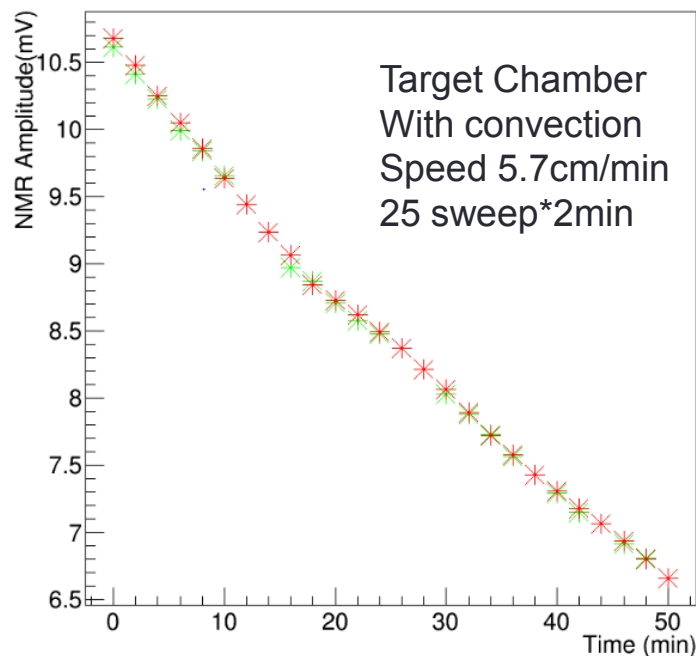


Convection from pumping chamber A to target chamber: ~ 1 min

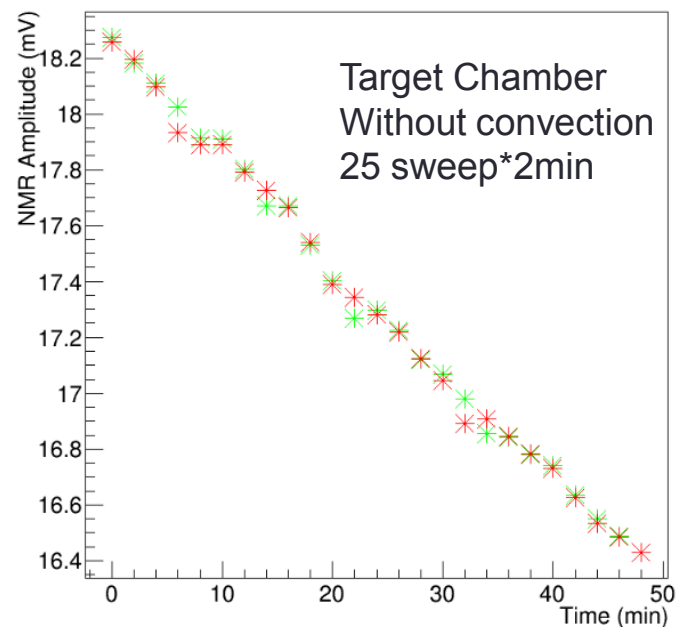
Convection from pumping chamber A, through target chamber, back to B: ~ 8 mins

AFP Loss Study

NMR Amplitude Versus Time: Red (up) Green (down)



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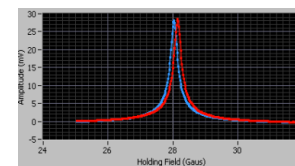


AFP Loss Per Sweep	Target Chamber	Pumping Chamber
AFP Without Convection	0.16%	0.72%
AFP With Convection	0.85%	0.87%

^3He Target Polarimetry

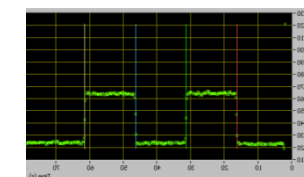
➤ Adiabatic Fast Passage (AFP) - NMR

- AFP-NMR works for both ^3He and water
- AFP loss significant for longer/larger cell due to field gradient
- Will not work for metal target chambers or hybrid glass/metal cells



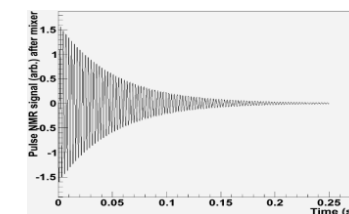
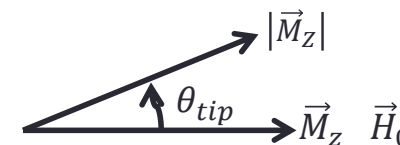
➤ Electron Paramagnetic Resonance (EPR)

- EPR will still work



➤ Pulsed NMR

- Send a pulse tuned at Larmor Frequency
- Spin precesses tipping from holding field
- $\theta_{tip} = \frac{1}{2} \gamma H_1 t_{pulse}$
- Spin components orthogonal to holding field,
- Have free-induction-decay, Amplitude $\propto M_z \sin(\theta_{tip})$



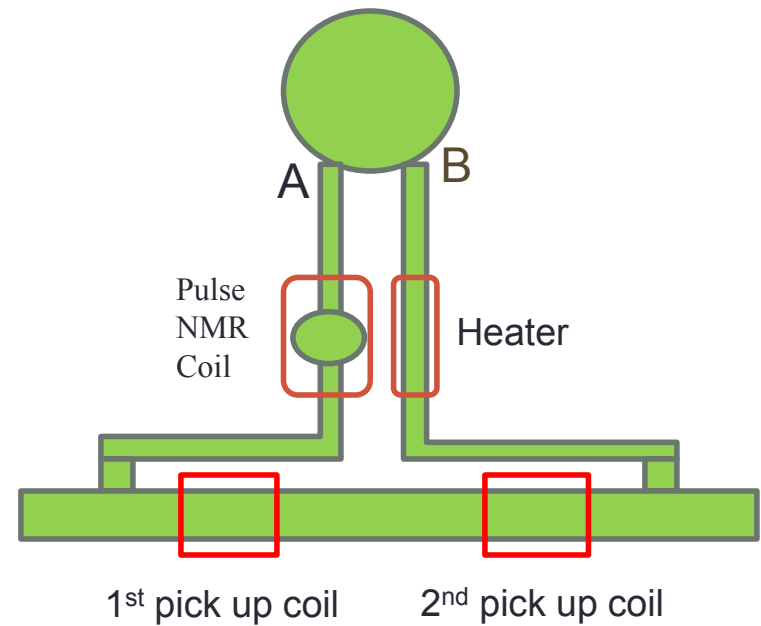
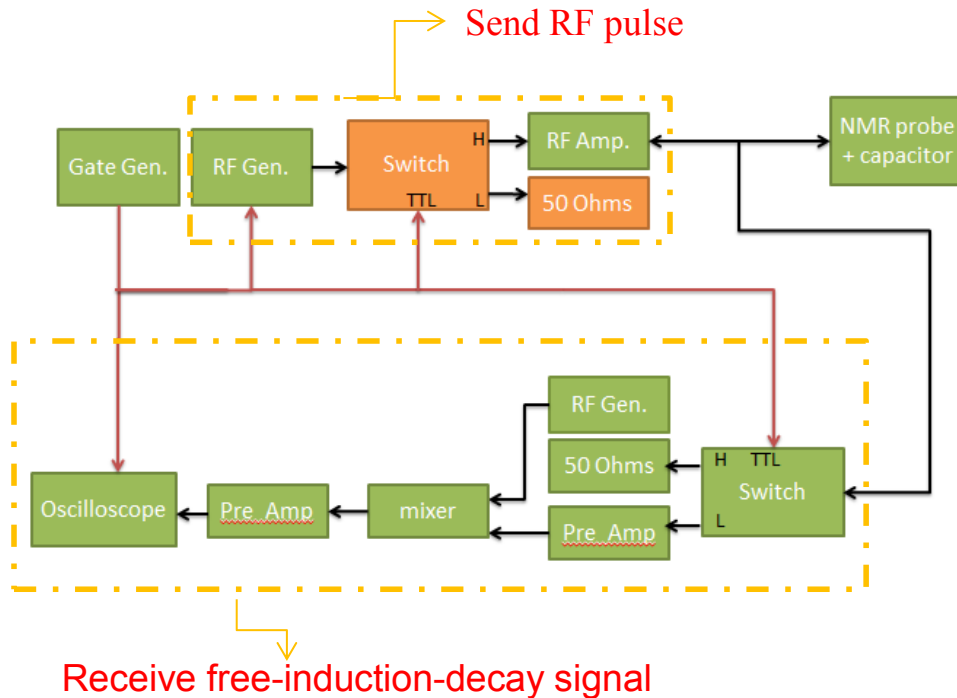
AFP-NMR will not be suitable for measurement on target chamber of glass/metal cell. Pulsed NMR can work on transfer tube

Theory:

$$S \propto M_z \sin(\theta_{tip}) e^{-t/T_2} \sin(\omega t)$$

Pulsed NMR @JLab

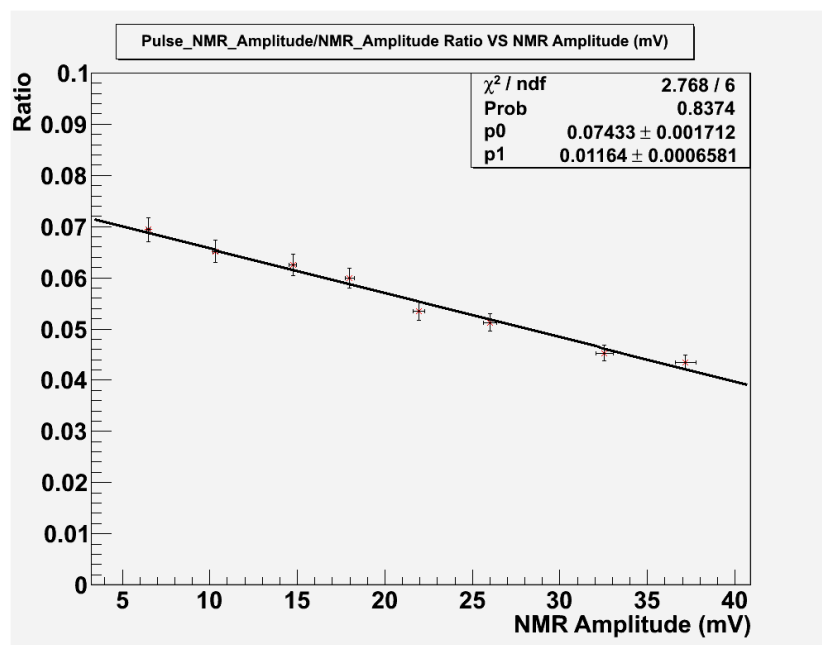
➤ Pulsed NMR Set Up



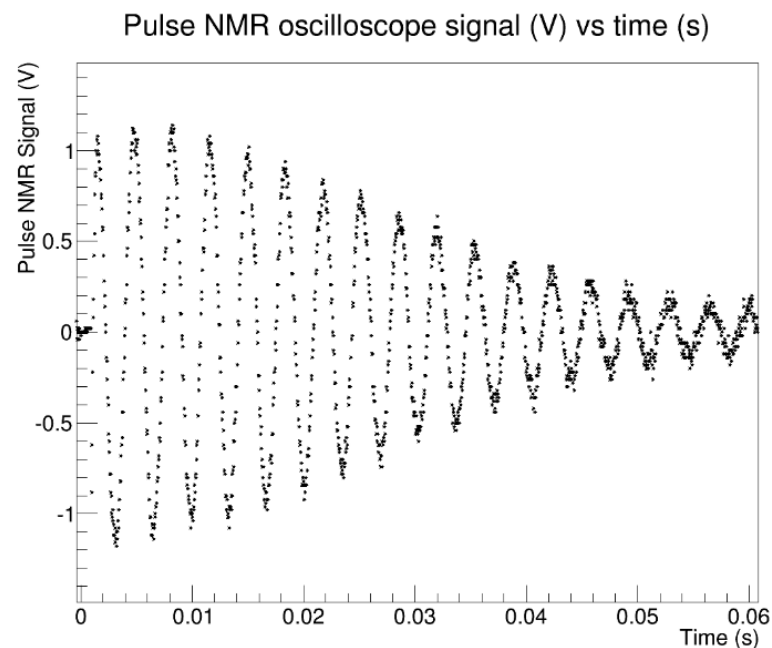
Pulsed NMR monitor polarization locally around the 1-inch bulb

Pulsed NMR

➤ Pulsed NMR compared with regular NMR



Systematic study continuing

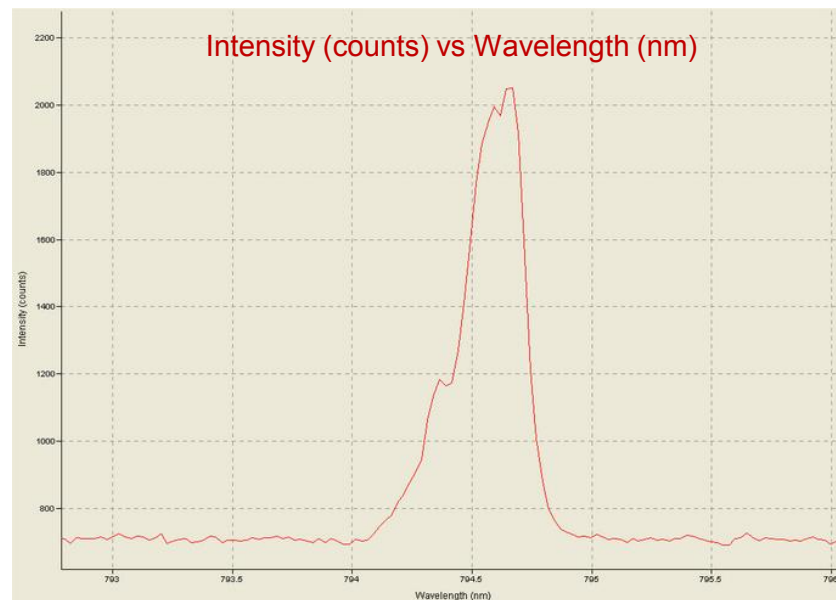
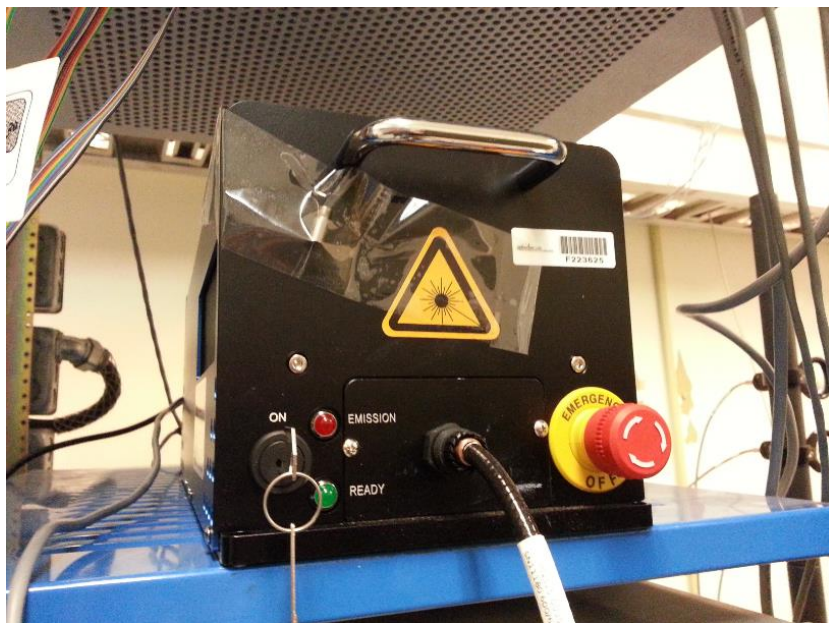


Challenge: to improve S/N

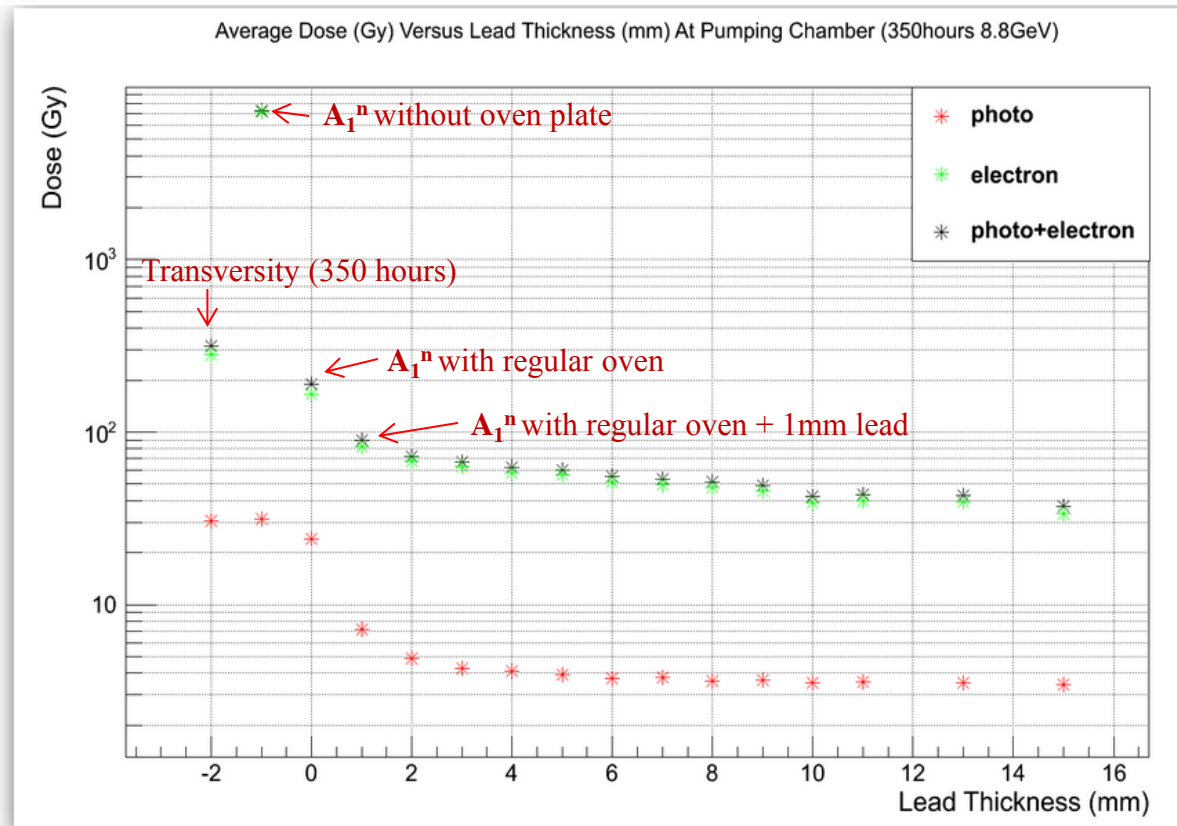
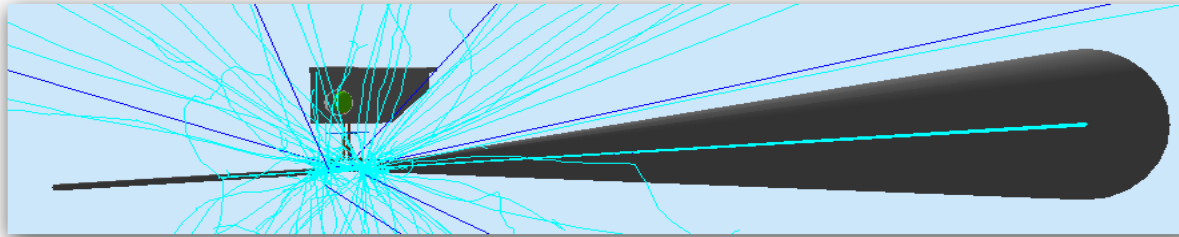
Lasers

➤ New lasers

- The Comet laser (25W, 0.2nm width) production was discontinued
- Purchased one QPC Laser (Hall C, 25W, 0.27nm width)
- Upgrade one Coherent laser by Raytum (can be adjusted 794.6nm~795nm, 0.22nm width)
- Both in test now



^3He Target Radiation Shielding Study

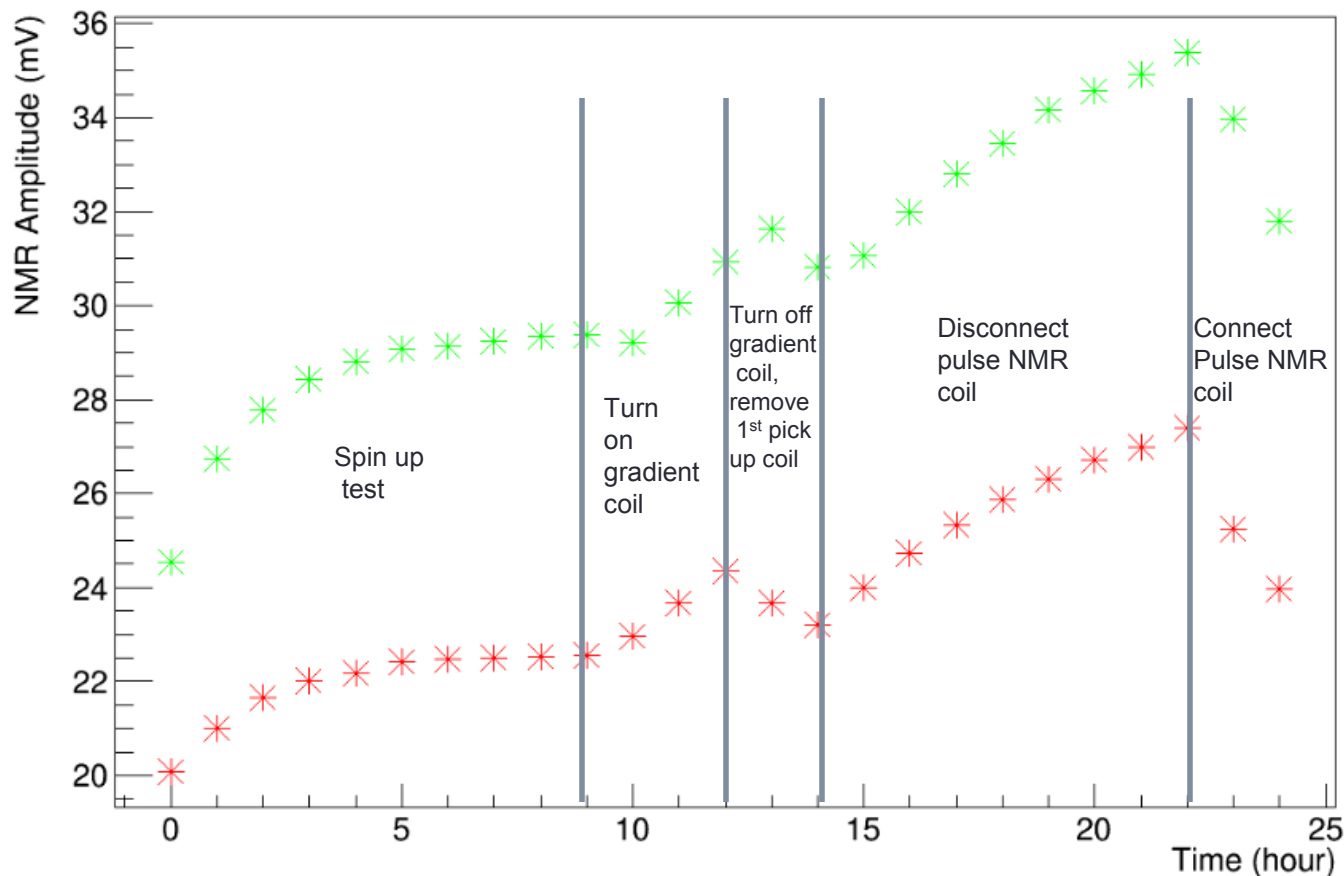


- Study shielding of pumping chamber from radiation damage
- Most of the radiation shielded by the oven
- A_1^n will not bring radiation to pumping chamber as much as Transversity

Masing Effect

- **Masing Effect:** non-linear coupling between coil/closed loop and spin

NMR amp vs Time(S) : Red (Pumping chamber) Green (Target Chamber)



Summary

- **Polarized ^3He target world-record performance for 6 GeV experiments**
- **12 GeV R&D in progress**
- **Future Plan**
 - **Near term: ~6 month**
 - Pulsed NMR systematic study
 - Full polarization test
 - **Goal by 2016: full system ready for A_1^n -A experiment**

Thanks!

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