# Advanced Chamber Concept with Magnetic Intervention: - Ion Dump Issues - Status of Blanket Study

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# Advanced Chamber Based on Magnetic Intervention Concept Using Cusp Coils (from last time)

- Use of resistive wall (e,g SiC) in blanket to dissipate magnetic energy (>90% of ion energy can be dissipated in the walls).
- Initial chamber schematic from Bertie Robson (with cone-shaped chamber blanket concept).
- The initial configuration was rotated 90° for the blanket analysis as this seems to favor the maintenance scheme.
- Dump plates to accommodate all ions but at much reduced energy (<10%).
- Dump plates could be replaced more frequently than blanket.





### Ion Energy Deposition and Thermal Response of Dump Plates Estimated for Cone-Shaped Chamber



- Major change, ~30% ion energy on dumps
- If dry wall dump within chamber, need ~30% of chamber area for dump
- Then, why not design whole chamber the same way?

# **Seems More Advantageous to Position Dump Plate In Separate Smaller Chamber**

**Ion Dump Ring chamber** Hybrid case • Dry wall chamber to satisfy target and laser • Could use W dry wall requirements dump, but would require •Separate wetted wall large surface area and same chamber to accommodate problem with ions and provide long life thermomechanical response • Have to make sure no and He implantation • Could allow melting (W or unacceptable contamination of main chamber low MP material in W)

### **Scoping Analysis of an Example Ring Chamber**

- Some flexibility in setting chamber major and minor radii so as not to interfere with laser beams
- e.g., with R<sub>major</sub>/R<sub>minor</sub> =8/2.7 or 9/2.4 m, and assuming 35% of wetted wall area sees ion flux with a peaking factor of 1:
  - Ion dump area =  $300 \text{ m}^2$
  - From 0 to 0.5  $\mu$ s, q'' = 4.53x10<sup>10</sup> W/m<sup>2</sup>
  - From 0.5 to 1.5  $\mu s,\,q\,{}^{\prime\prime} = 6.56 x 10^{10} \,\, W/m^2$
- Three cases:
  - W with phase change
  - Low MP metal (e.g. Be) in high porosity W (~80-90%) which provides integrity and could help retain Be melt layer
  - Wetted wall chamber with Pb as example material







### Temperature and Phase Change Thickness Histories for W, Be and Pb for Example Case

- **350 MJ target (ion energy = 87.8 MJ)**
- Ion dump area =  $300 \text{ m}^2$
- From 0 to 0.5  $\mu$ s, q'' = 4.53x10<sup>10</sup> W/m<sup>2</sup> (7.7% of ion energy)
- From 0.5 to 1.5  $\mu$ s, q''= 6.56x10<sup>10</sup> W/m<sup>2</sup> (22.3% of ion energy)



#### Maximum Temperature and Phase Change Thicknesses for W, Be and Pb as a Function of Ion Dump Area

- **350 MJ target (ion energy = 87.8 MJ)**
- Evaporation loss per shot relatively modest for W but could be a concern for Be (1 nm/shot ~ 0.43 mm/day)
- Stability of melt layer is a concern
- Would Be in a porous W matrix be more stable?
- For wetted wall in particular, the evaporated material (e.g.Pb) must recondense within a shot and not contaminate main chamber







#### Wetted-Wall Concept Could Consist of a Porous Mesh Through Which Pb Oozes to Form a Protective Film

- Need to make sure that protective film is reformed prior to each shot ۲
  - radial flow through porous mesh
  - circumferential flow of recondensed Pb
  - no concern about any droplets falling in chamber



# **Film Condensation in Ion Dump Chamber**



$$j_{net} = \left(\frac{M}{R2\pi}\right)^{0.5} \left[\Gamma\sigma_c \frac{P_g}{T_g^{0.5}} - \sigma_e \frac{P_f}{T_f^{0.5}}\right]$$

 $j_{net} = net condensation flux (kg/m^2-s)$  M = molecular weight (kg/kmol) R = Universal gas constant (J/kml-K)  $\Gamma = correction factor for vapor velocity towards film$   $\sigma_c, \sigma_e = condensation and evaporation coefficients$   $P_g, T_g = vapor pressure (Pa) and temperature (K)$   $P_f, T_f = saturation pressure (Pa) and temperature (K)$  of film Aug. 8-9, 2006HAPL m

#### **Example Scoping Calculations**

- Ion energy from 350 MJ target = 87.8 MJ
  - 7.7% of ion energy to dump over 0-0.5 μs
  - 22.3% of ion energy over 0.5-1.5  $\mu s$
- Evaporated thickness and vapor temperature rise from ion energy deposition in ion dump chamber
- Liquid Pb as film material
- Conservatively small ion deposition area = 220 m<sup>2</sup>

e.g. 35% of chamber with  $R_{major} = 8 m$ and  $R_{minor} = 2 m$ 

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# Scoping Analysis of Pb Condensation in Example Ring Chamber

• Characteristic condensation time very fast, ~0.01-0.02 s

Characteristic Chamber Condensation Time as a Function of Pb Vapor Temperature





 Depending on final vapor temperature, vapor density prior to next shot is about 1-10 times higher than saturated vapor density at assumed wetted wall temperature of 773 K (1.75x10<sup>-8</sup> kg/m<sup>3</sup> or ~0.01 mTorr at ST)



# Status of Blanket Study for Magnetic Intervention Chamber

- More detailed study of blanket using Pb-17Li and SiC<sub>f</sub>/SiC
  - Neutronics
  - Fabrication
  - Assembly and maintenance
  - Thermal-hydraulics
- Initial study of blanket using flibe and SiC<sub>f</sub>/SiC
  - **Possible configurations**
  - Neutronics

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#### Self-Cooled Blanket Concept Coupled to a Brayton Cycle (Pb-17Li + SiC<sub>f</sub>/SiC and Flibe + SiC<sub>f</sub>/SiC)



- From simple estimate for flibe with same blanket configuration as Pb-17Li:
  - Flibe low Re and poor heat transfer properties result in lower cycle  $\eta$  and higher  $\Delta P$  for given SiC<sub>f</sub>/SiC T<sub>max</sub> constraint.
- Need to perform analysis for optimized flibe configuration

# **Summary**

- Scoping study of self-cooled Pb-17Li + SiC<sub>f</sub>/SiC blanket concept for use in the magnetic-intervention cone-shaped chamber geometry completed
- Initial study of flibe + SiC<sub>f</sub>/SiC blanket started, needs to be completed based on neutronics calculations and optimized configuration
- Separate dump chamber with melted solid wall or wetted wall assessed for magnetic intervention case
  - Much relaxed atmosphere requirements for separate dump chamber
  - Encouraging results as condensation is very fast
  - Need to ensure no unwanted contaminants in main chamber
  - Need more detailed design of dump chamber configuration including how to recycle liquid for wetted wall concept
- Future work
  - Complete flibe+SiC<sub>f</sub>/SiC blanket scoping study
  - More detailed design of separate dump chamber