



# Optimization of the Booster Notch System

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# Booster Beam Notching

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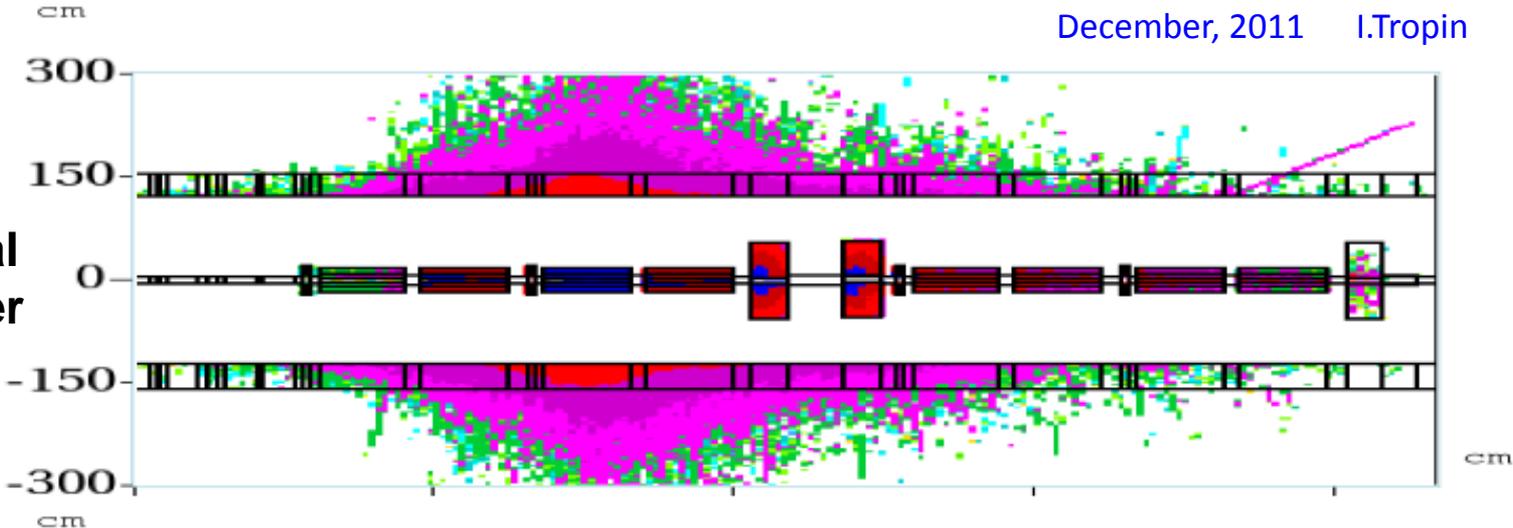
## Purpose of Notching

- Notching is planned removal of selected proton bunches to facilitate a gap in the beam at extraction time.
- This gap allows the Booster extraction kicker magnetic fields to reach full value to allow extraction of the remaining bunches. Only 2 bunches need be removed but due to bucket jitter in the transfer to MI/Recycler, a third is removed as well. Thus 81 bunches are transferred
- Without the gap or “notch” in the beam, the extraction kickers would displace these bunches in a non-controlled fashion causing losses in the extraction region at 8GeV.
- In the past “notching” was less critical due to lower beam intensities and lower beam duty cycles. Losses were tolerable.

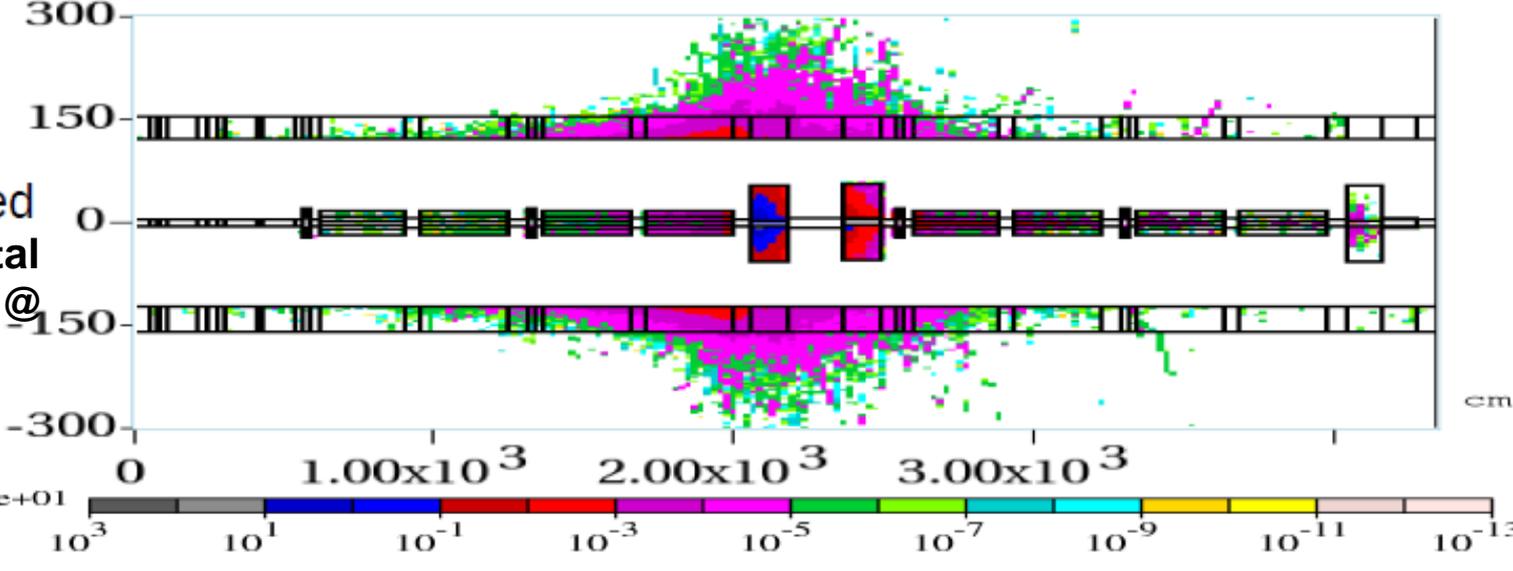
## Notching Pre-Shutdown 2012/13

- A 3 bucket gap is created using kickers located at Long 5 and Long 12
- Notcher – A High Voltage(55kV) Kicker at Long 5
  - Noker - Lower Voltage Kicker (20-40 kV) at Long 12
    - Used to clean out remnant notched beam in buckets at ~700 MeV due to Cogging operations.
- Beam is kicked vertically into gradient magnet dipoles at L5 and L12. Some notched beam reaches the collimator region at Long 6 and beam pipe mask at Long 13. This worked and was best option at the time.
- Non-cogged notched cycles occurred at ~400 MeV.
- Cogged notch cycles occurred at ~700 MeV to allow for cogging synchronization process.

Vertical notcher @ L5



Proposed Horizontal notcher @ L5



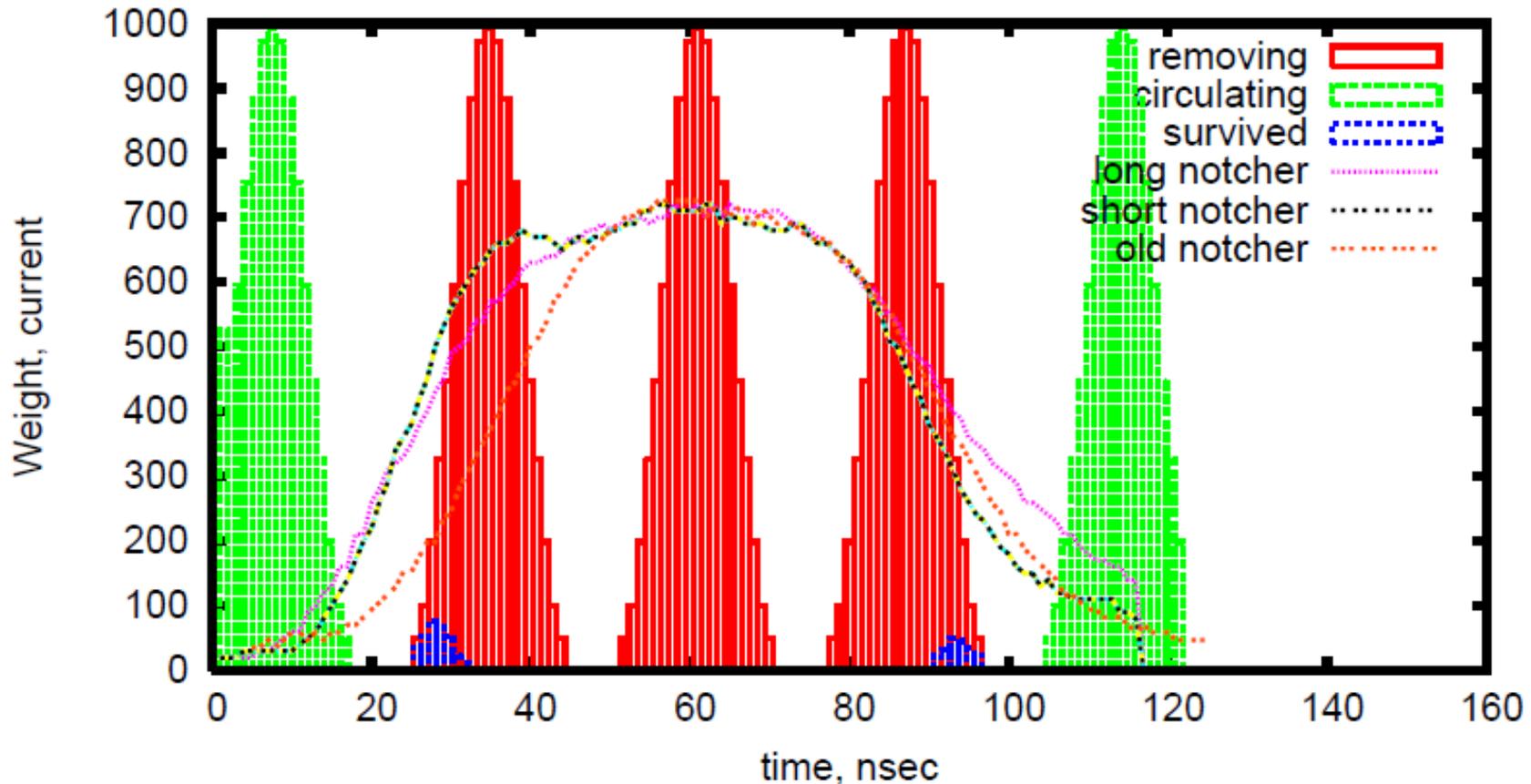
Residual dose profiles, vertical cross section (30 days irradiation/1 day cooling, mSv/hr).

# Option 3 was chosen for horizontal notching

## Conclusions

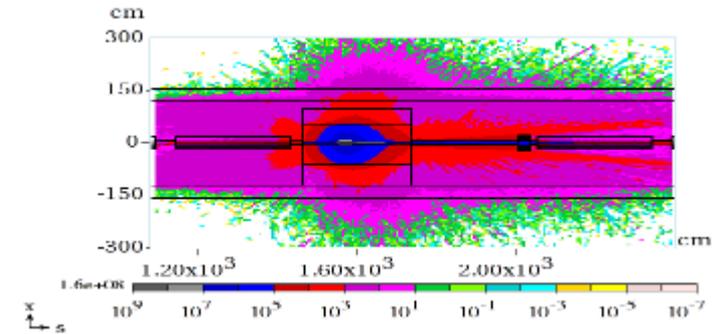
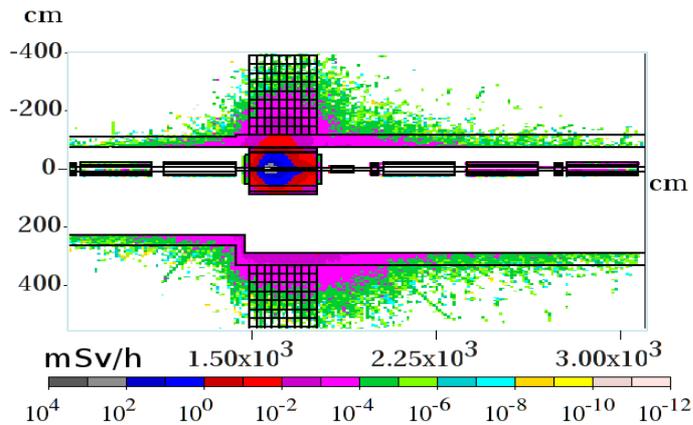
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1. **One vertical notcher** removes **87%** of 3-bunch intensity, with **75%** loss at pole tip of Booster magnets, **11%** at collimator, and **0.5%** on the rest part of the ring.
2. We propose to improve the notching efficiency and beam loss in the accelerator by **rotating existing notcher and pinger by 90 degree, and increasing the aperture of Short-05 straight section from R57mm to R87mm. Using two horizontal notchers** with shift of their pulses by +/- (4-7)nsec, is possible to remove **95%** of 3-bunch intensity, with **93%** loss at collimator and **2.6%** on the rest part of the ring at 400 MeV.
3. **Using three horizontal notchers** at Long-12, is possible to remove **98% at 400MeV** and **94% at 700 MeV** of 3-bunch intensity to the beam dump located at Long-13 straight section with increased aperture of Short-12 section to R87mm by aperture displacement to  $dX=20\text{mm}$ .

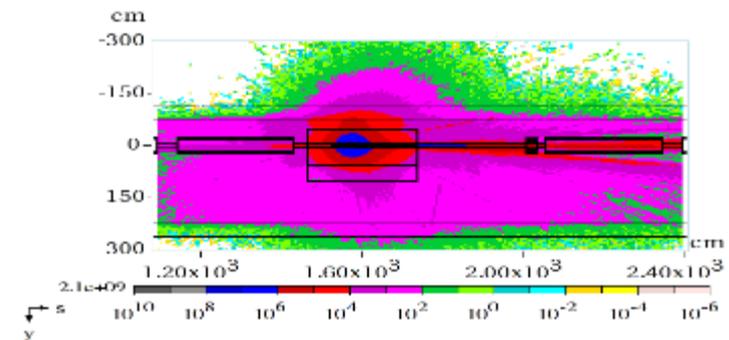
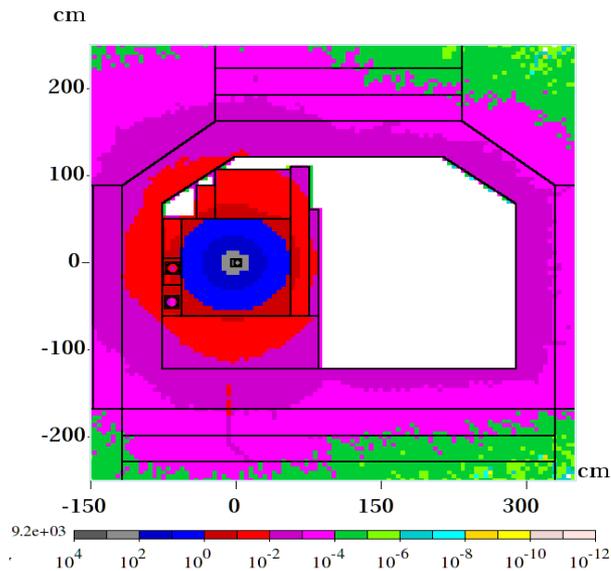


Longitudinal distribution of **3 removing (red)**, **circulating (green)** and **survival at notching (blue)** bunches, and long (1.08m) and short (0.54m) notchers waveform at Long-13, and 1.08-m notcher waveform for Long-05 straight section.

# Long-13: Loss Simulations For Horz. Notching



Side view

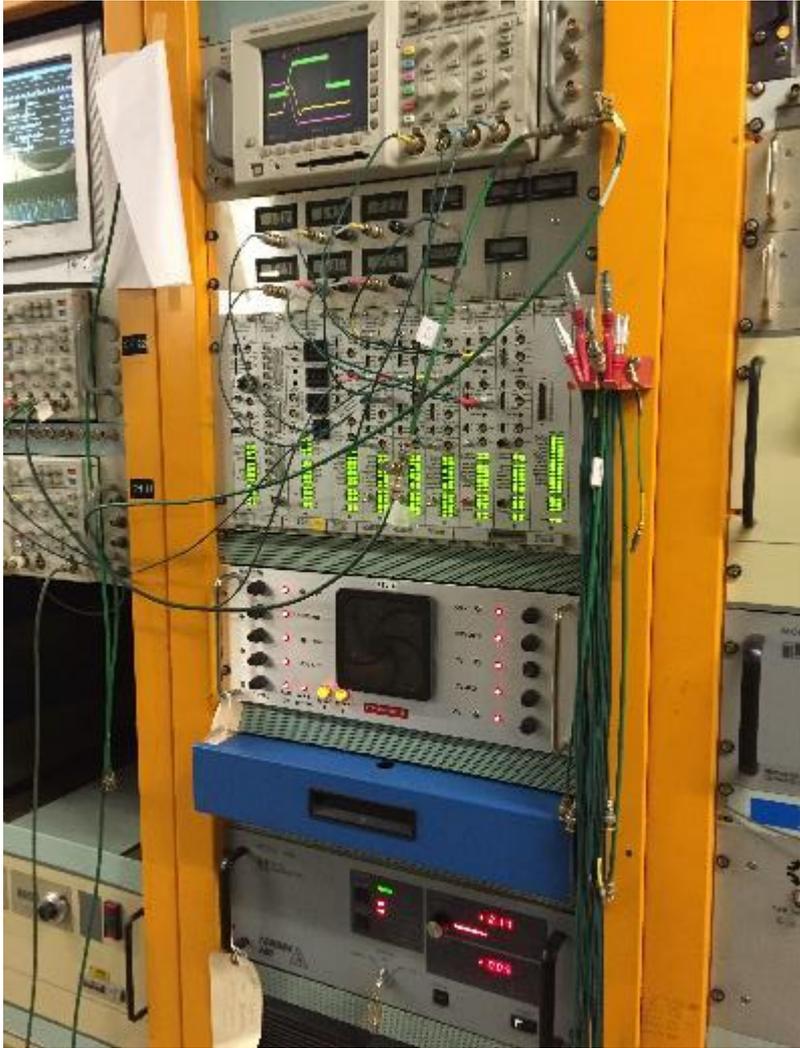


Top view

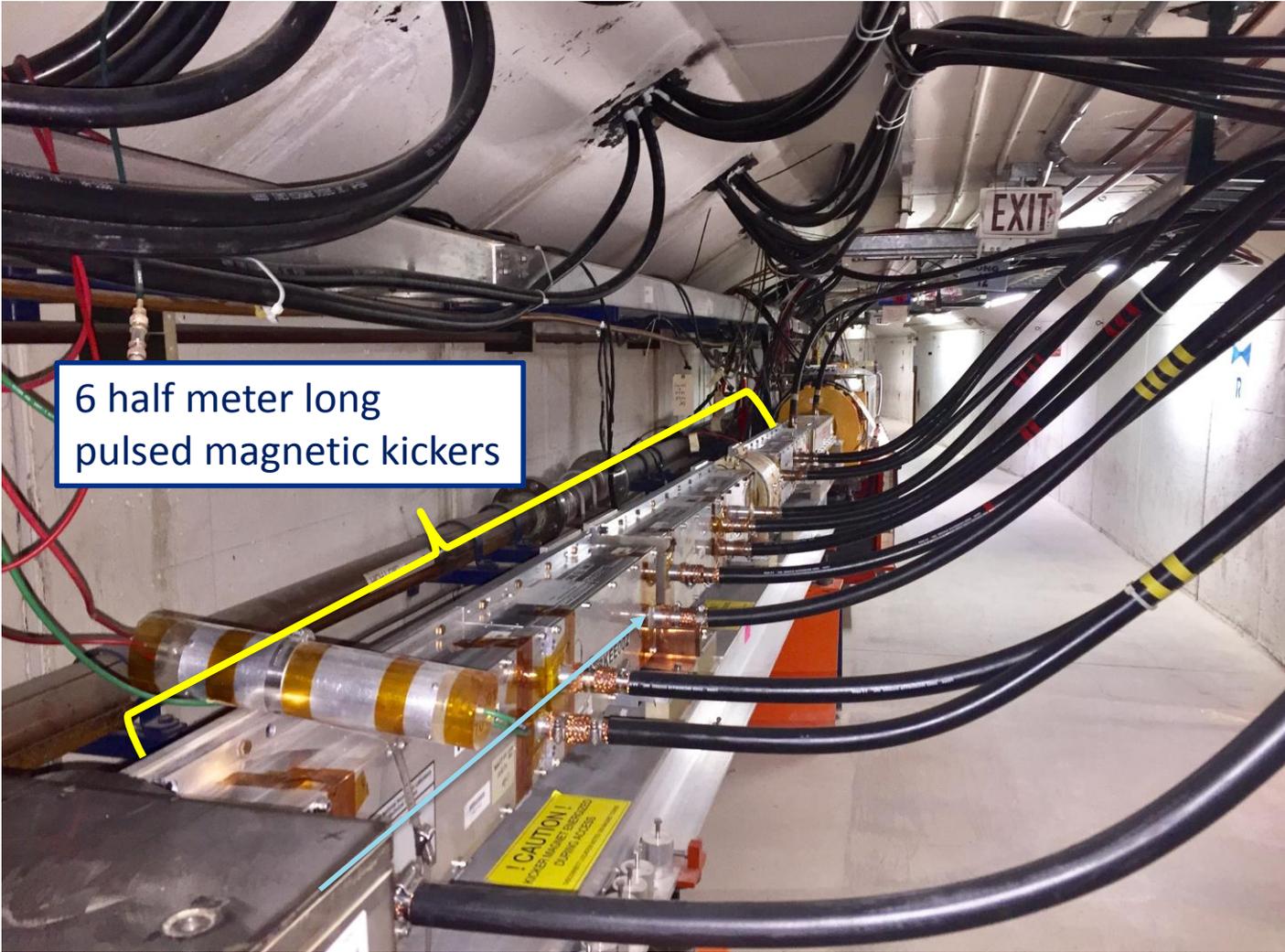
## Implementation

- Simulations for horizontal notching concluded that 3 kickers could be utilized to send beam between the 400-700 MeV energy range to a dedicated absorber.
- An ideal location would be L13 as this had the available space. L12 also had space for the notching magnets.
- Modifications were made to the standard S12 corrector spool to allow additional aperture.

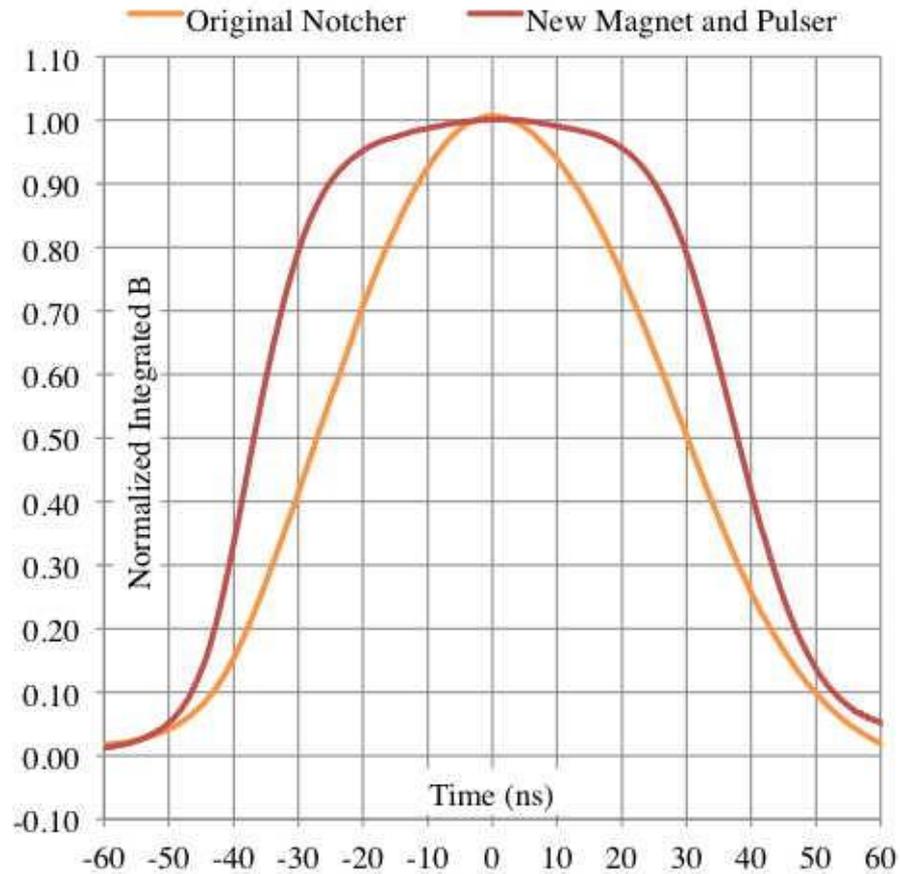
# Notching Pulser System using 2 CX2610 pulsed thyratrons



# L12 Straight section



# New Pulser system has faster rise/fill time



Long 13

## Notched beam absorber

Used for clean-up of vertical  
notched beam L13



Dedicated L13 Notch  
Absorber



# Long 13

## Former vertical notch clean-up area

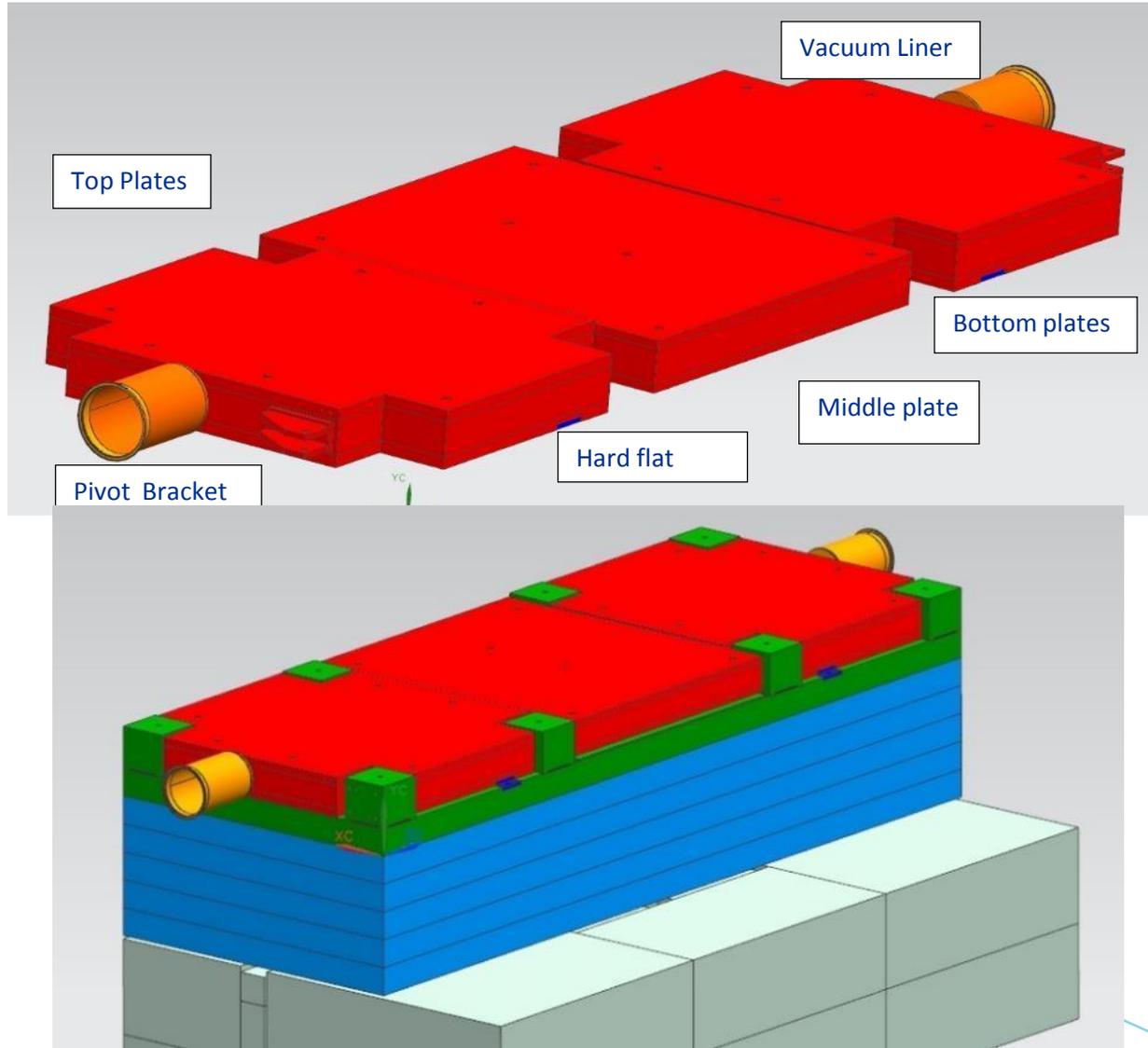


Long 13 Notched beam  
Absorber downstream view



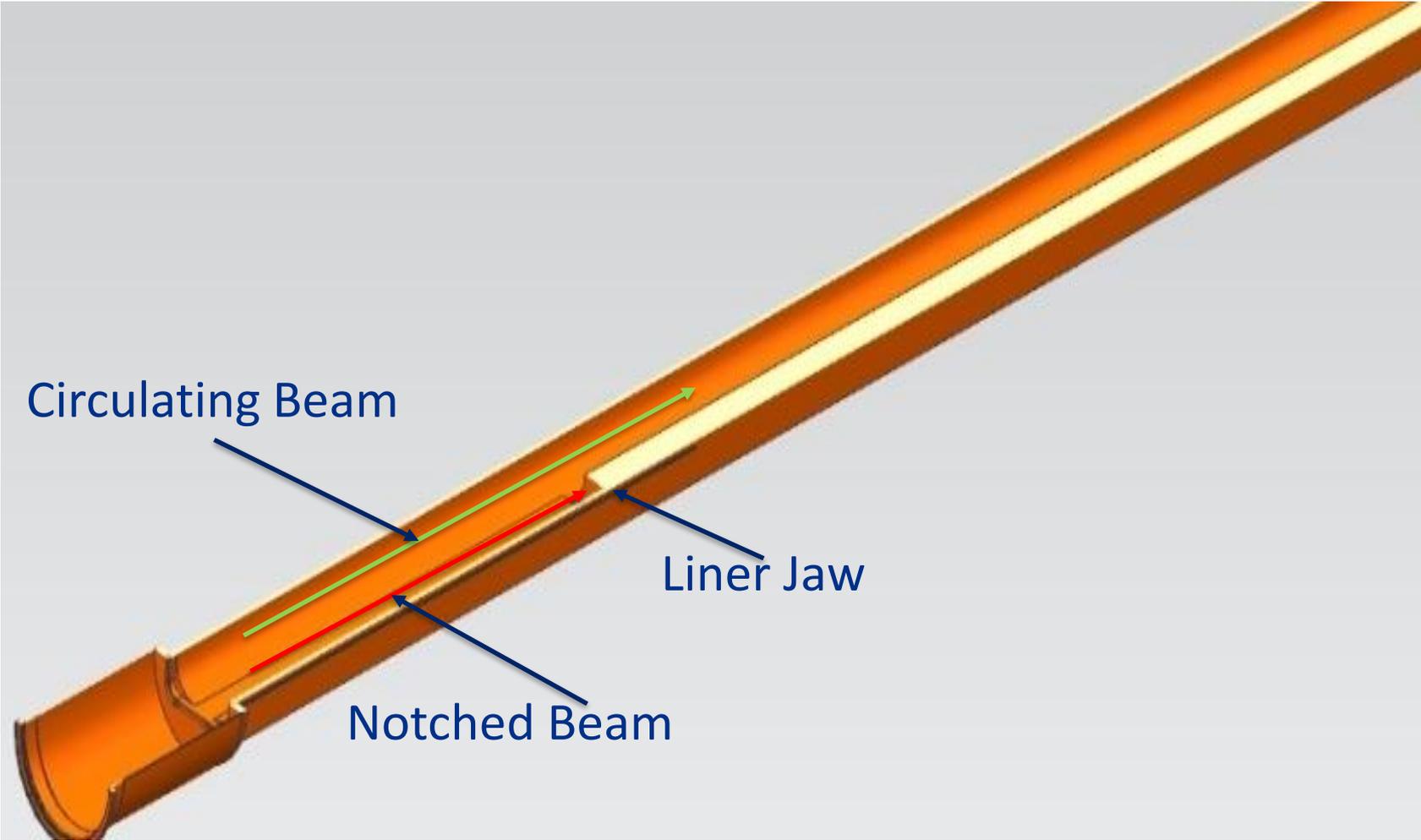
# Absorber Moving Liner

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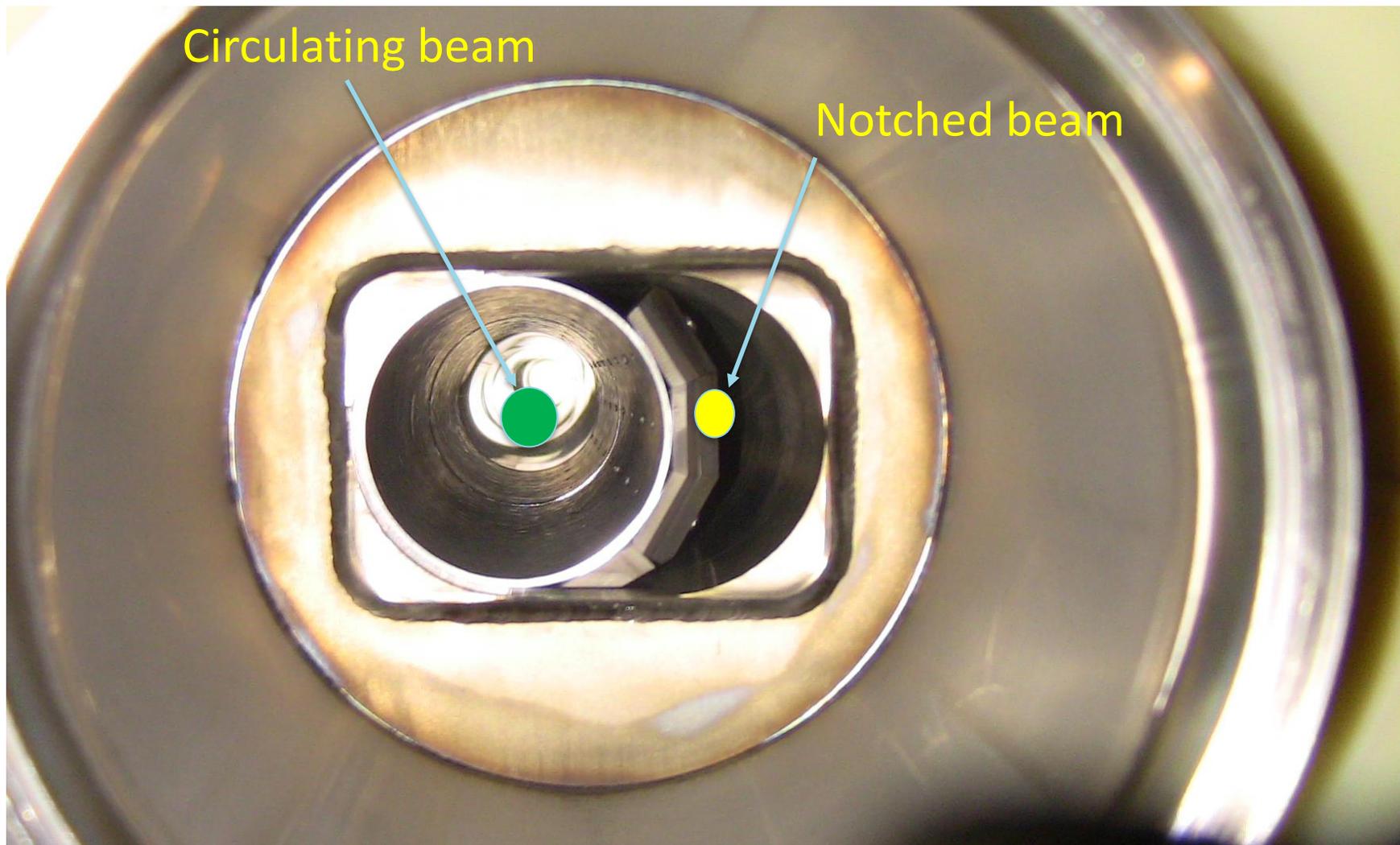


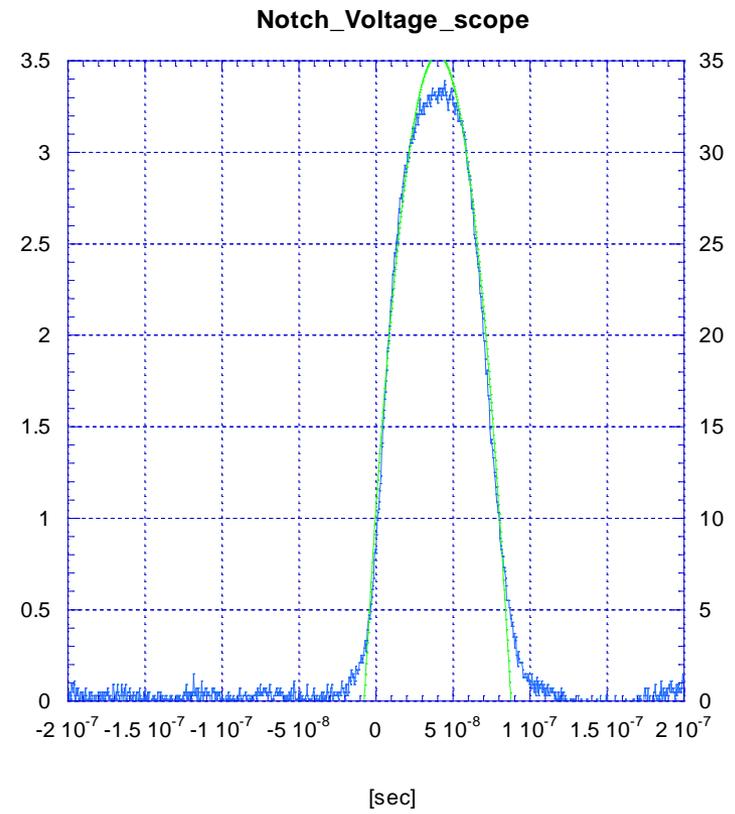
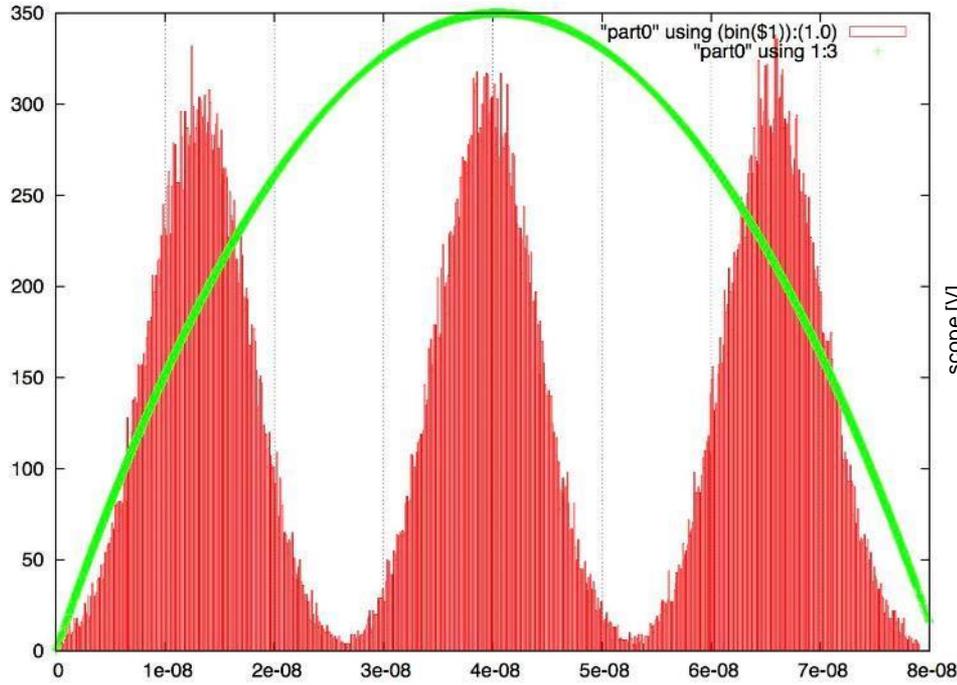
# First Liner modification section

V. Sidorov

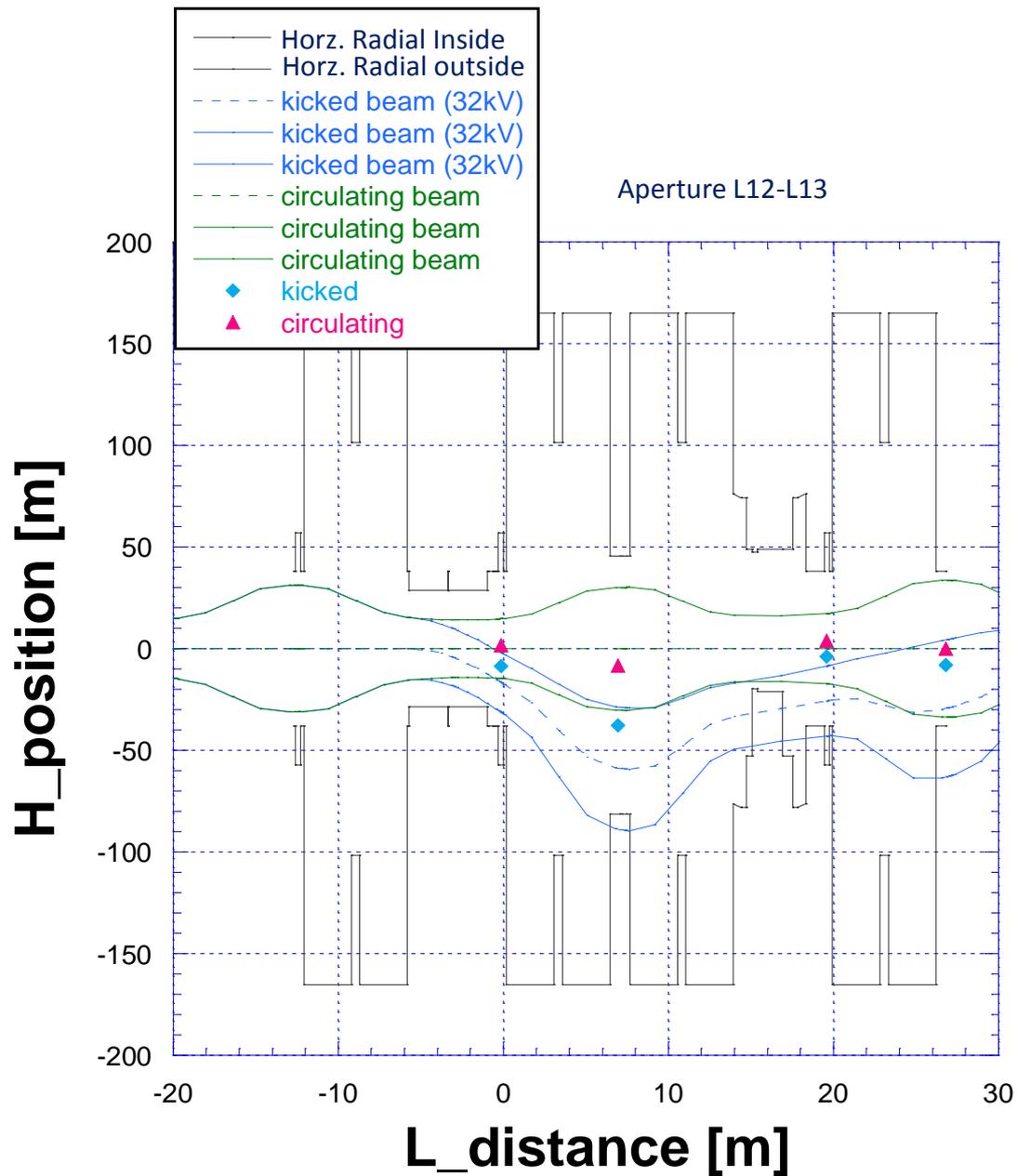


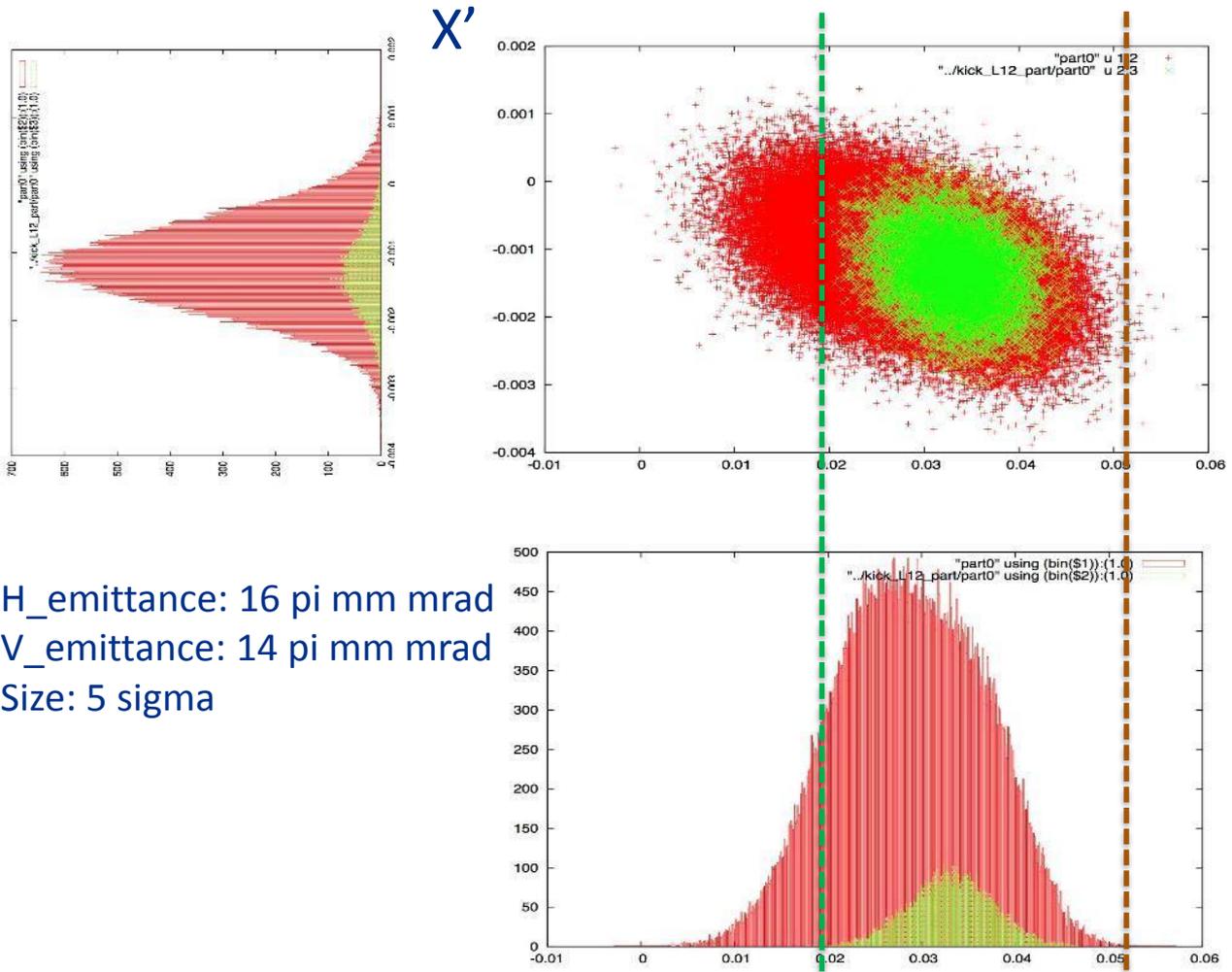
## Notched Beam Absorber Liner with 12" insert





Bunch length: 4.5 nsec @ 1 sigma  
 dp/p: 0.0011 @ 3 sigma  
 Notcher voltage: 34 kV @ peak

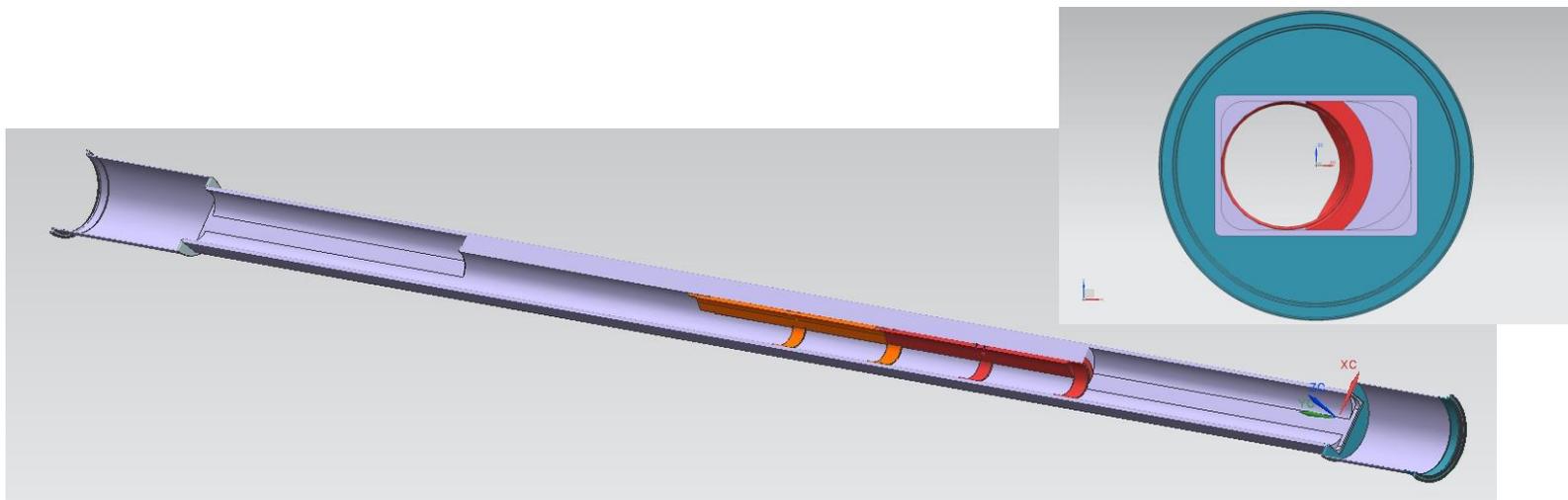




$H_{emittance}$ : 16  $\pi$  mm mrad  
 $V_{emittance}$ : 14  $\pi$  mm mrad  
 Size: 5 sigma

Absorber edge: 19.93 mm (set to 590 mils) Face: 51.69 mm

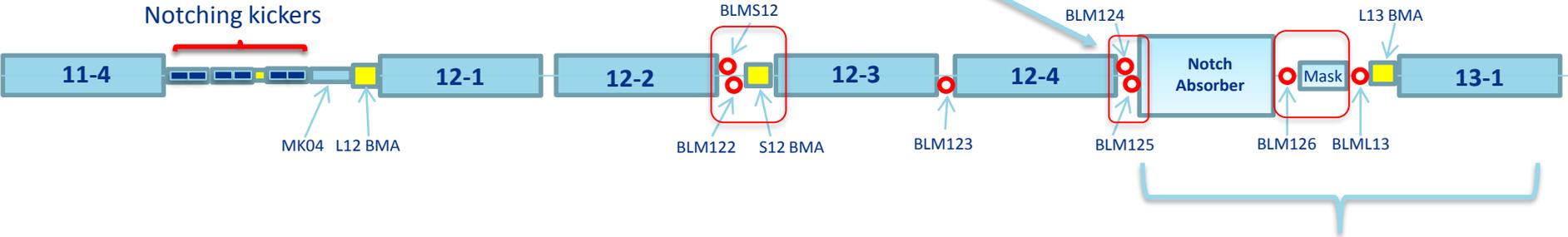
# Second Liner modification Insert section



Areas of concern, in red boxes, due to notch losses.  
They are managed but would prefer them lower

# Notch Region

## Top view of magnets



Beam Direction



Diagram continued below



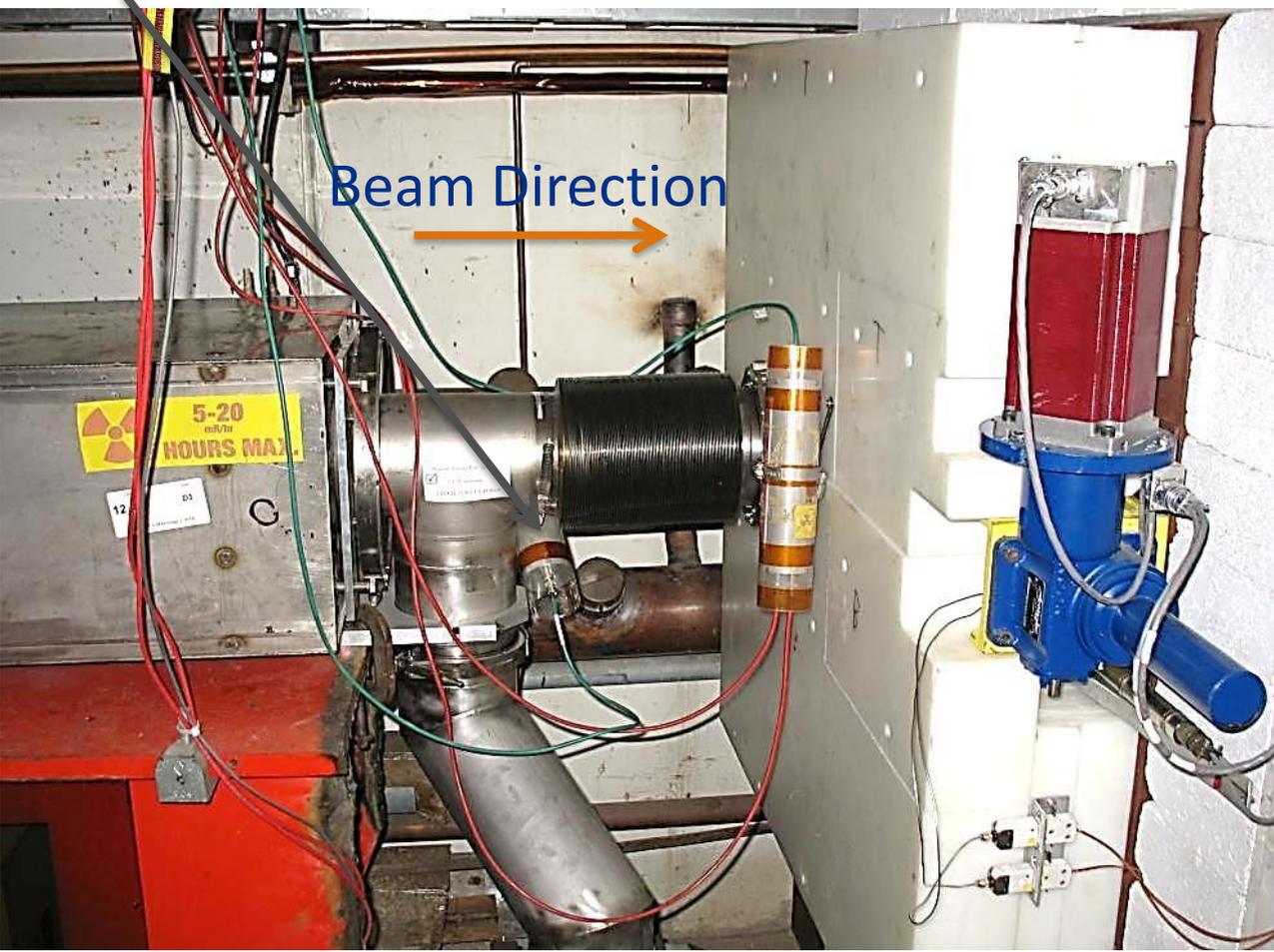
# Short 12 Booster corrector with modified spool for Aperture



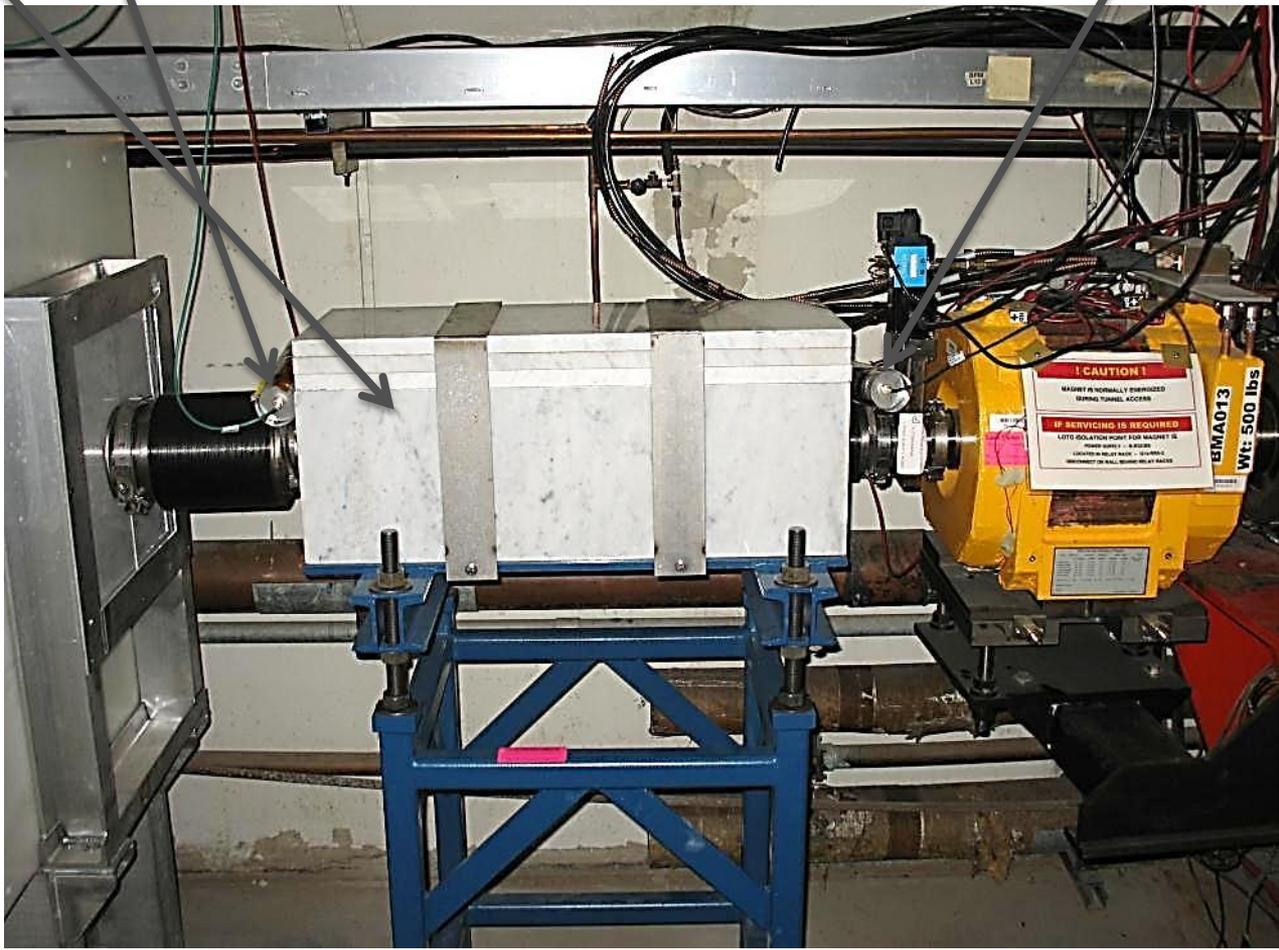
# L12 Mini-straight



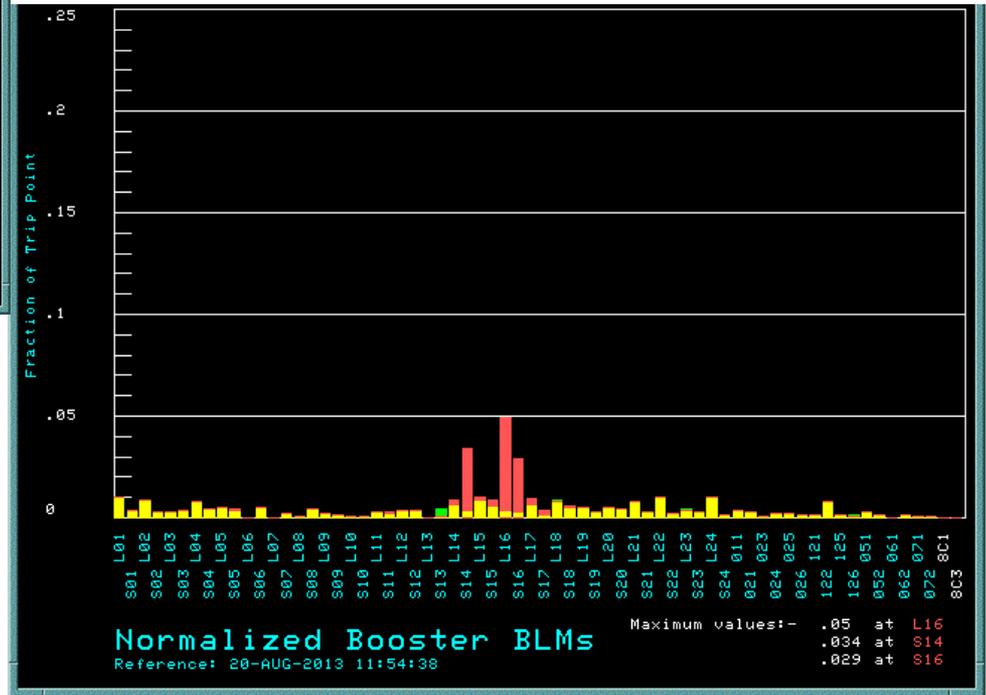
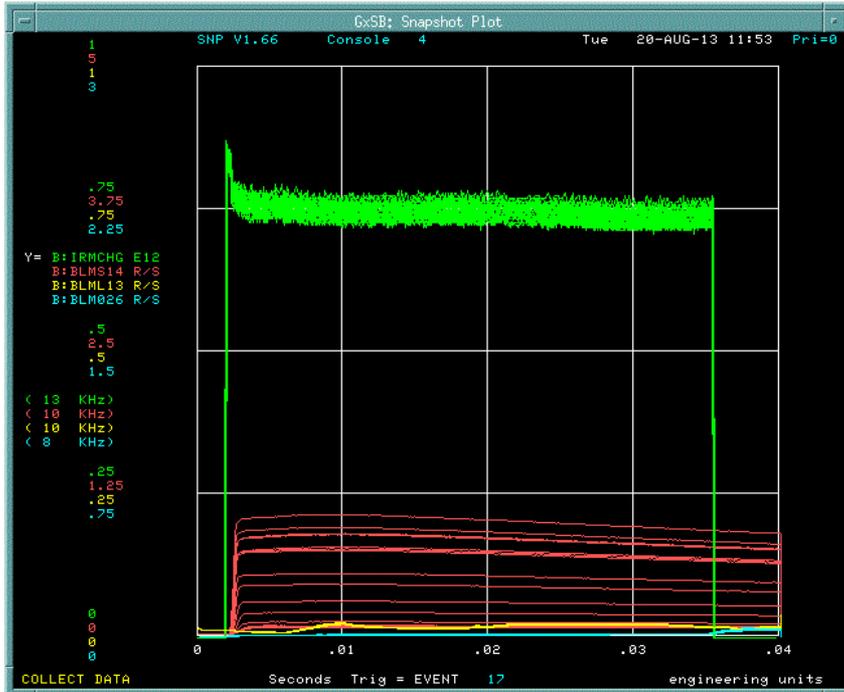
# L13 Upstream notched beam Absorber



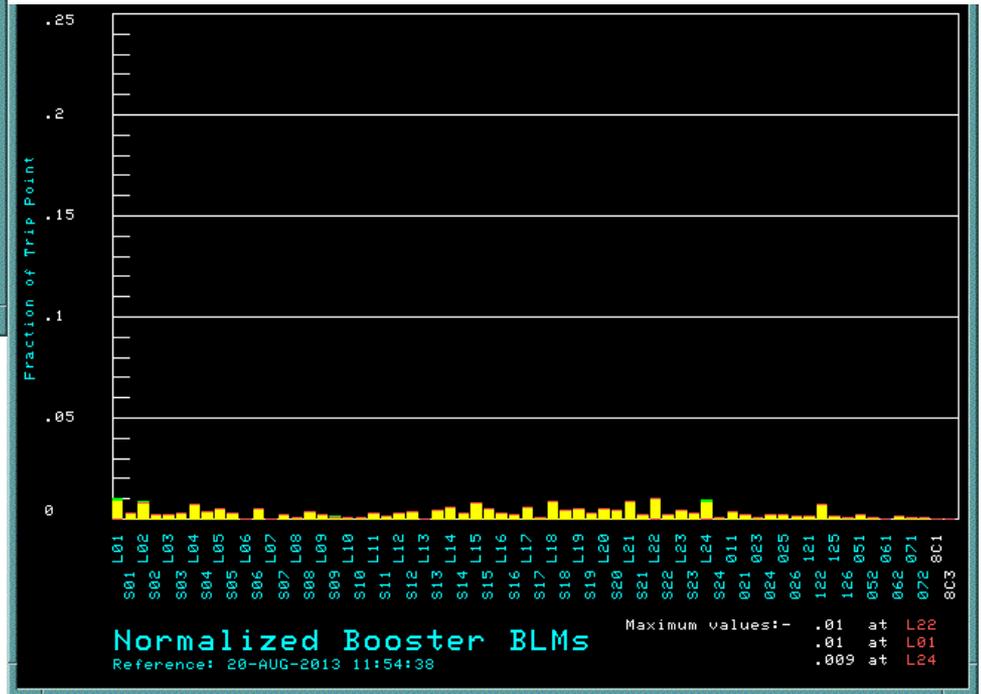
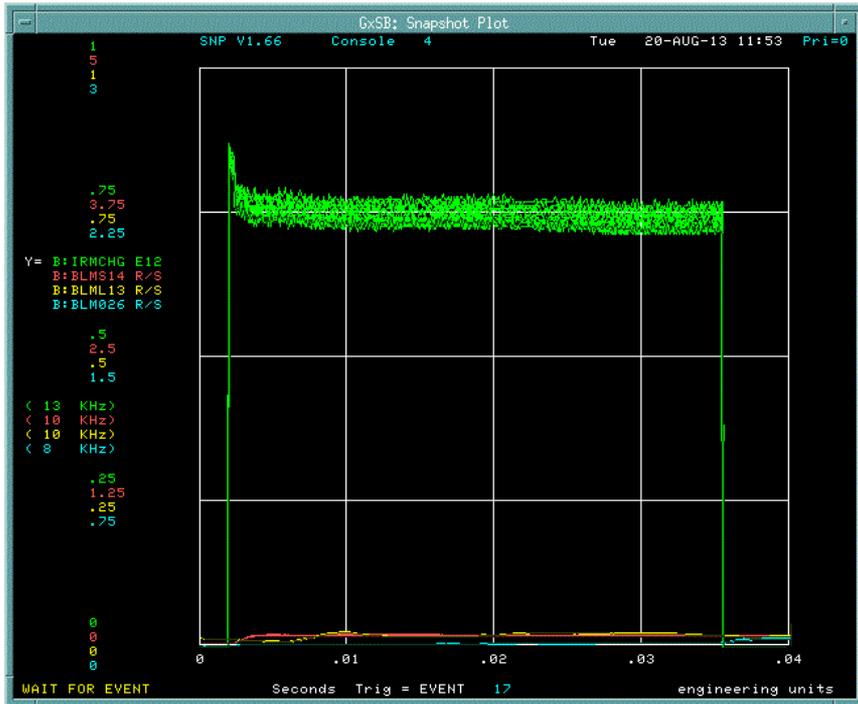
# L13 downstream absorber mask



# 400 MeV Notched beam Absorber Retracted

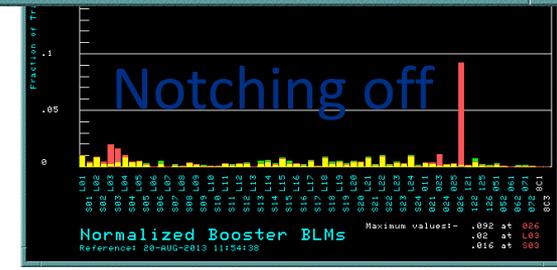
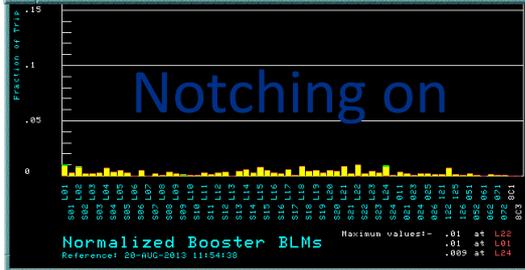
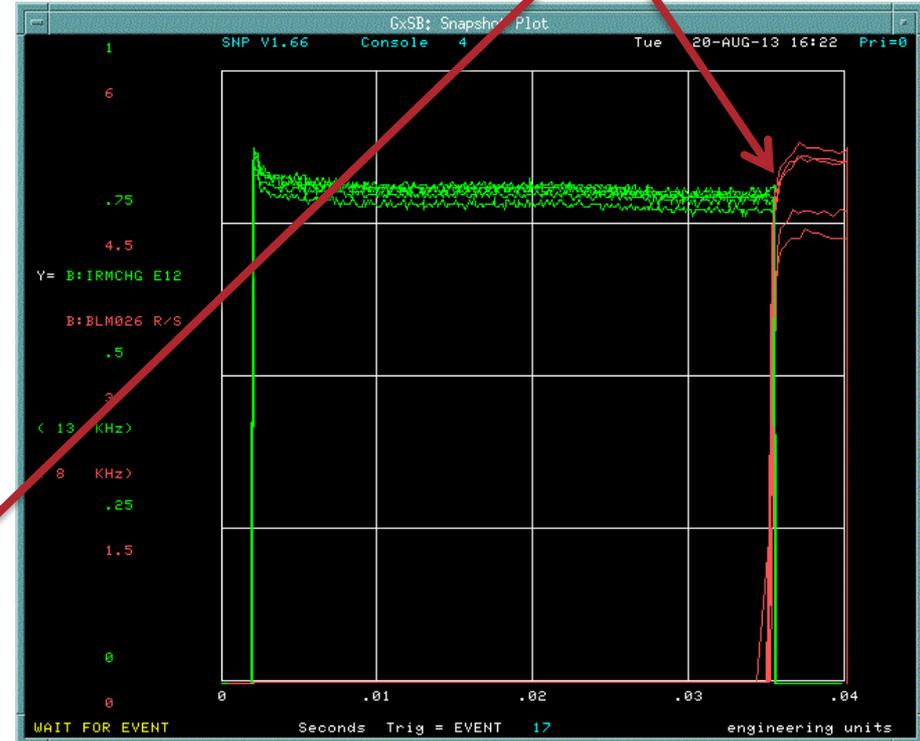


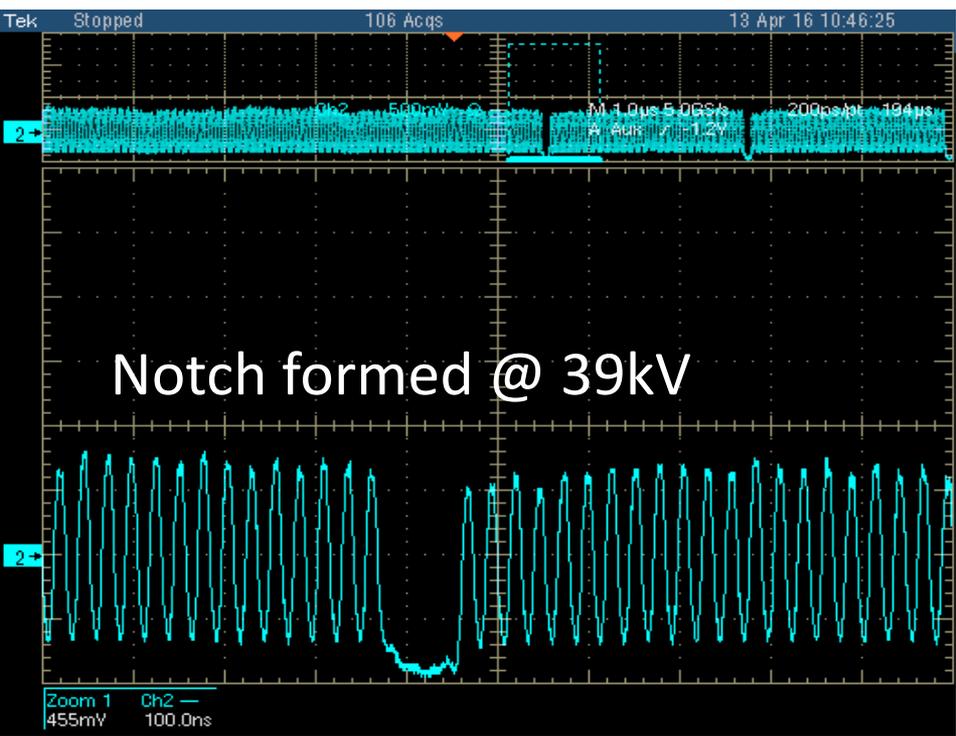
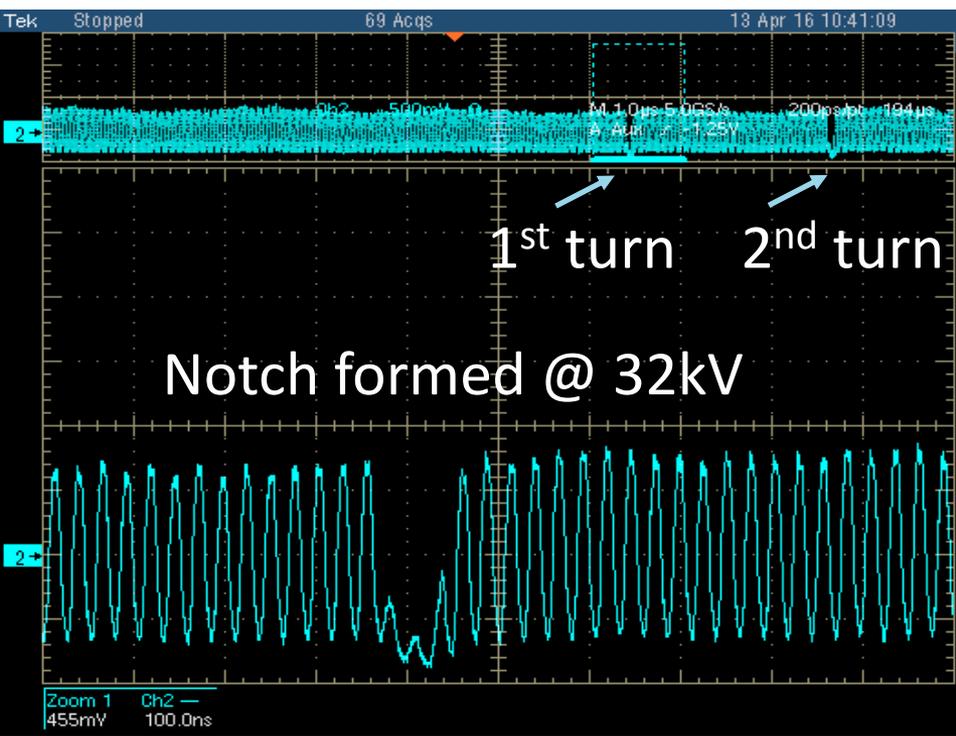
# 400 MeV Notched beam Absorber in operational position



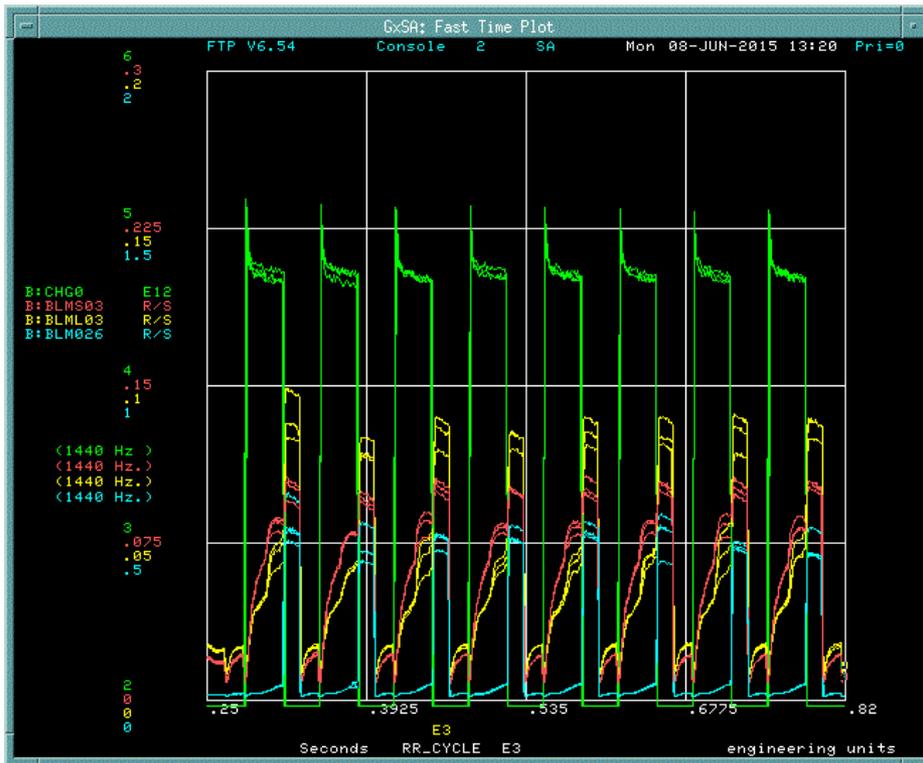
# Notching turned On and Off

## Extraction loss monitor

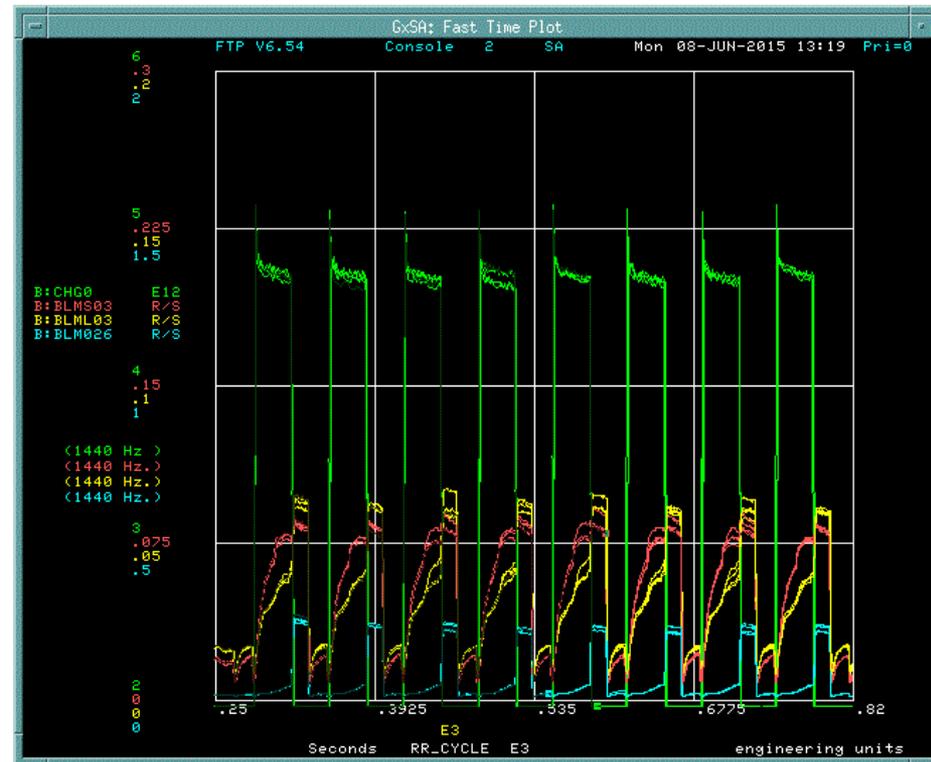




# Notch depth relative to extraction losses

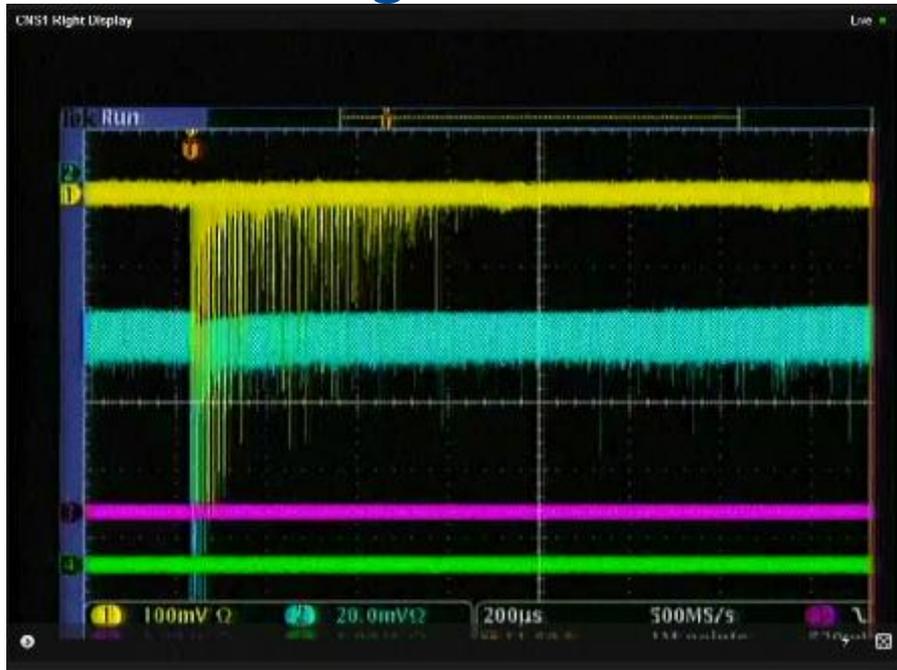


31kV kick

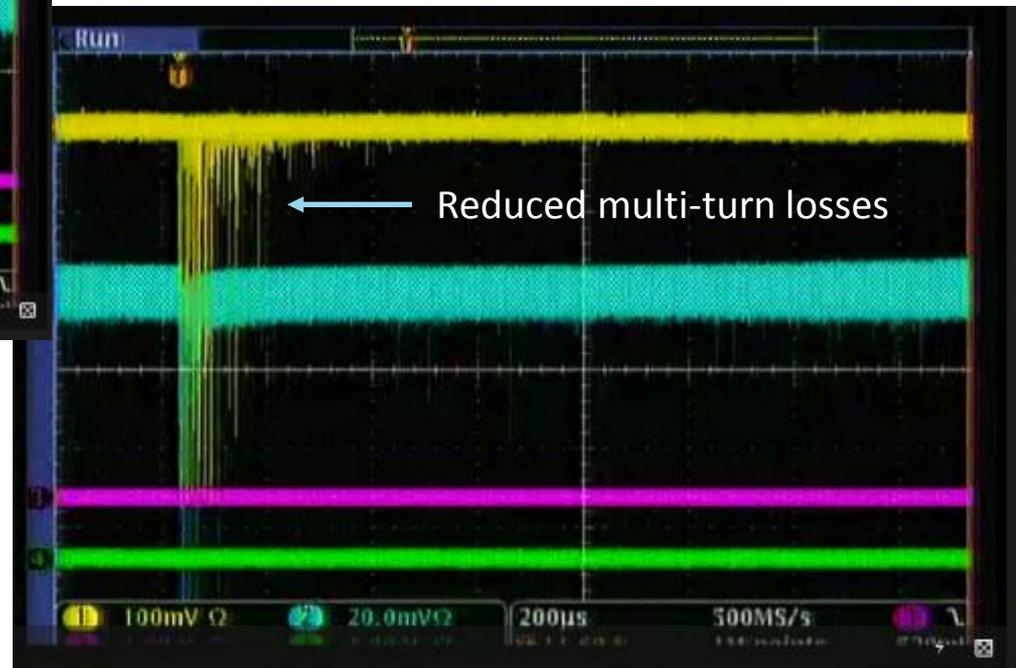


35kV kick

# Fast loss Signals downstream of 5-3 and collimator 6b



PMT signals

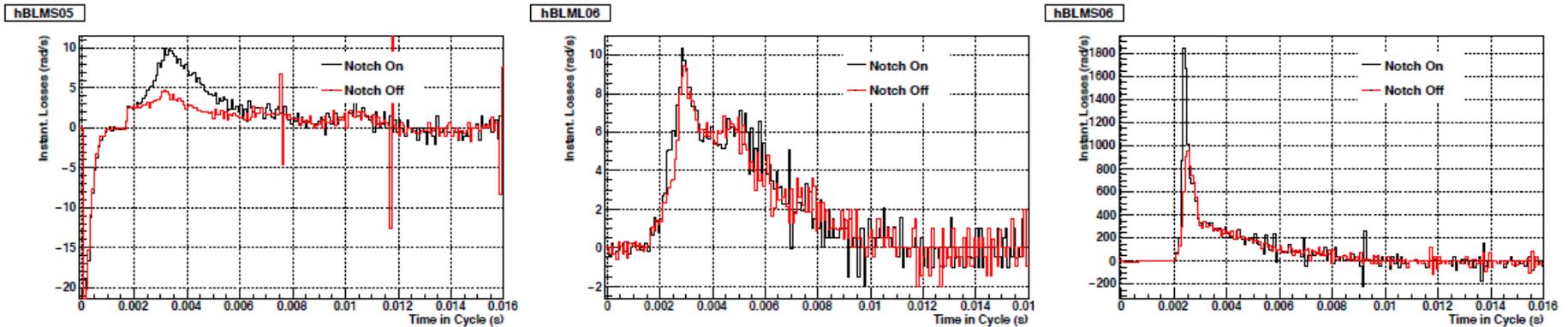


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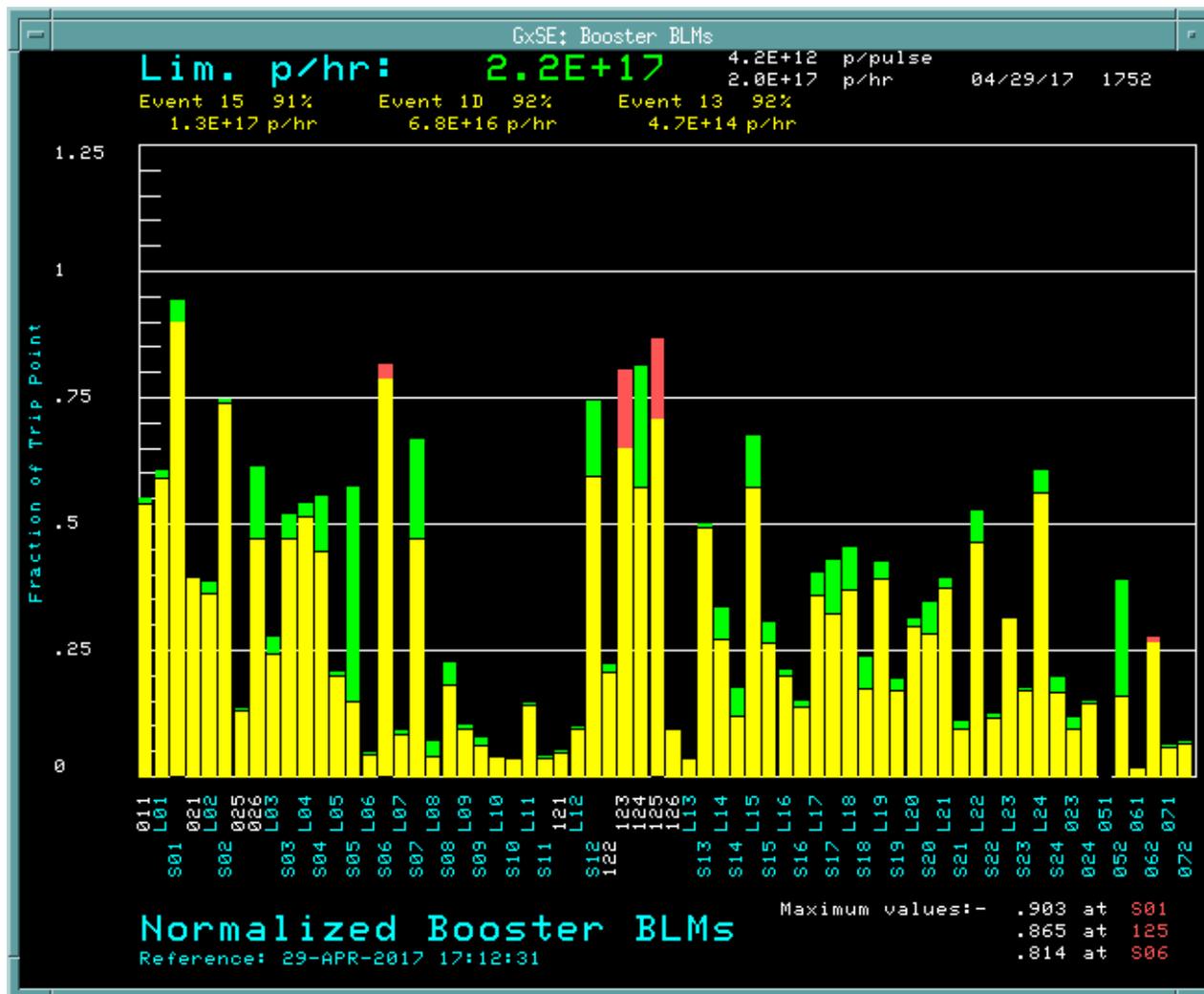
35kV kick

# Losses at notch formation seen at other locations

## Notch enabled and disabled for comparison



# Notched loss difference when beam is aligned well



# Transition from Notching at L5 (vert.) to L12(horz.)

## Horizontal Notching L12/L13

### Vertical notching L6/L13

radiation data vs. Time



Highcharts.com

## Current Notching Status

- The gap is 3 bunches wide at 8GeV.
- We are able to maintain a 2 bunch gap now with cogging jitter compensation. Down stream machines currently can not utilize smaller gap. So we continue to notch 3 bunches
- We continue to try and optimize our orbits and tweak notch time relative to beam recapture time.
- Continuing to reduce multi-turn loss effect via studies
- Working towards improved diagnostic with fast loss detector implementation for routine tuning of notch loss.
- Will place additional shielding at upstream end of absorber.
- Will review improvements to downstream absorber mask.
- Look at ways to improve rise time of extraction kickers.

# Conclusion

- Notching is currently working better than before.
- This allows us to run greater beam throughput and maintain/reduce beam loss away from critical components.
- We need to further reduce losses in critical areas with another iteration of improvements to the current system.
- We gain more tuning capability with improved diagnostics.
- We have lowered beam losses by utilizing magnetic cogging to allow for all beam cycles to be notch at 400MeV rather than many at 700MeV.
- We will gain further margin with laser notching in the Linac
- Improved injection orbit management and better models will further determine areas of improvement.