# **Plasma Cell Update**

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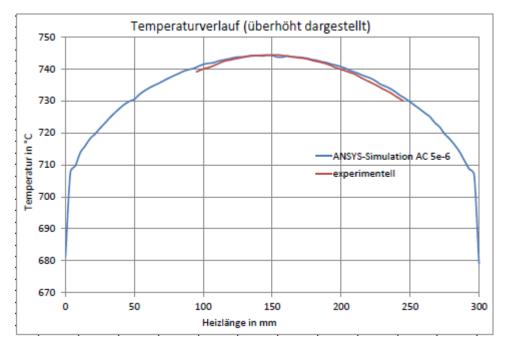
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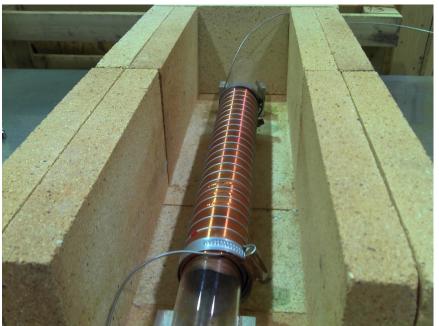




## **Comparison ANSYS Simulation to Experiment (Prototype)**

- > Quartz tube (simple pipe), no cooling (high edge temperature)
- Heating power: 305W; Max. temperature: 745C
- Simulation and experiment in agreement

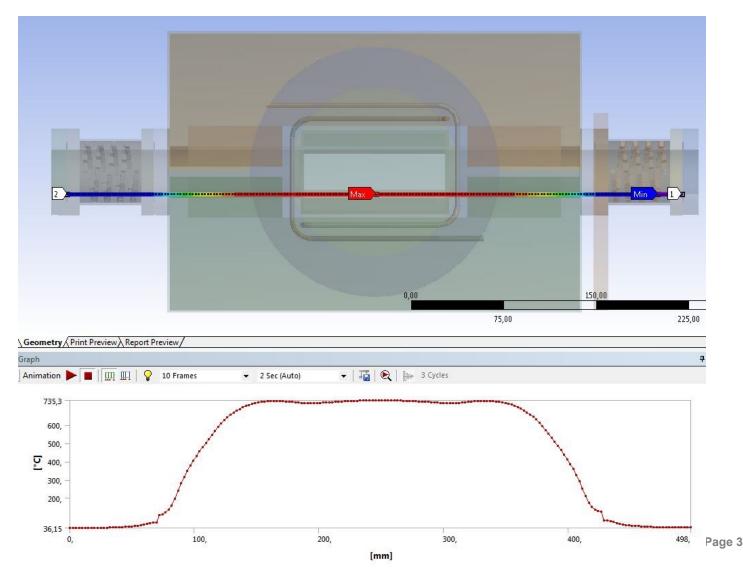






## **ANSYS Simulation of Plasma Cell (Full heating power)**

#### > Maximum temperature: 735C



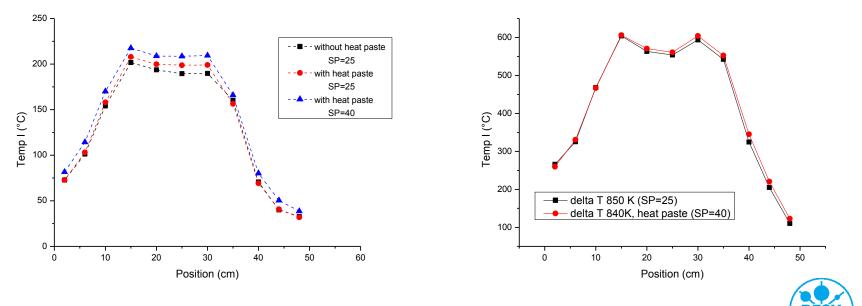


## Measurement with Plasma Cell: Much lower temperature

#### > Mid level power

- Apply heat paste and increase cooling water temperature from 25C to 40C
- Temperature difference: 15 to 20 degrees

- Maximum power
- Max temperature only ≈560C to 600C
- Temperature difference (heat paste; water): 5 to 10 degrees



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## Comparison: Plasma Cell at SLAC (Simple pipe!)

#### > Plasma Cell Parameters: (PITZ)

- Max. temperature: 690C (605C)
- Inner tube diameter: 25.2 mm (36 mm)
- Heater length: 40 cm (23 cm)
- Heat insulation length: 46 cm (33cm)
- Distance between cooling jackets: 52 cm (35 cm)
- Heating power (no Lithium): 250 W (740 W)
- With Lithium:
- He buffer: 0.27 mbar
- Heating power: 307 W
- External temperature: 750C
- > Biggest difference: Side wings

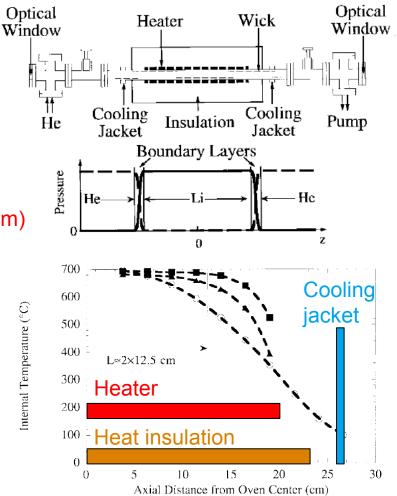
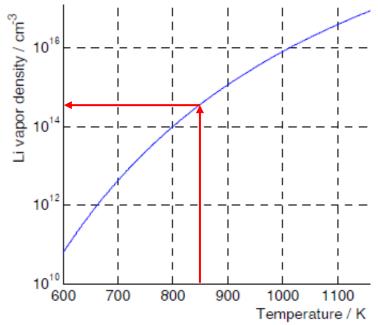
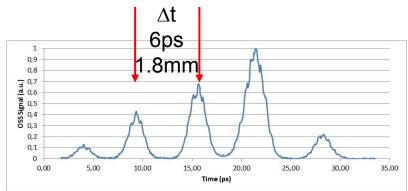


Fig. 4. Temperature profiles along the oven axis without Li in the oven and  $P_{\rm heat} = 250$  W (open circles) and with Li in the oven and  $P_{\rm heat} = 265$  W (filled triangles) and  $P_{\rm heat} = 307$  W (filled squares). The lines are drawn

## What can we do with these parameters?

- > Vaporizing Lithium: vapor pressure curve
  - We can reach ≈850 K
  - Max. Li vapor density ≈5x10<sup>14</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup>
  - Max. Li pressure: 0.02 mbar
  - 10% ionization: plasma density 5x10<sup>13</sup> cm<sup>-3</sup>
  - Plasma wavelength  $\lambda_p \approx 4 \text{ mm}$
- Measure gas density with Hook method
- Self-modulation experiment maybe possible
- > High Transformer ratio: far away
  - $\Delta t$  should be  $1.5\lambda_p$ : need  $\lambda_p \approx 1.2$ mm







## **Further steps**

### > Upgrade plasma cell

- Reduce water cooling in wings
- Stronger heater
- Increase cooling water temperature further (danger to the electron windows!)

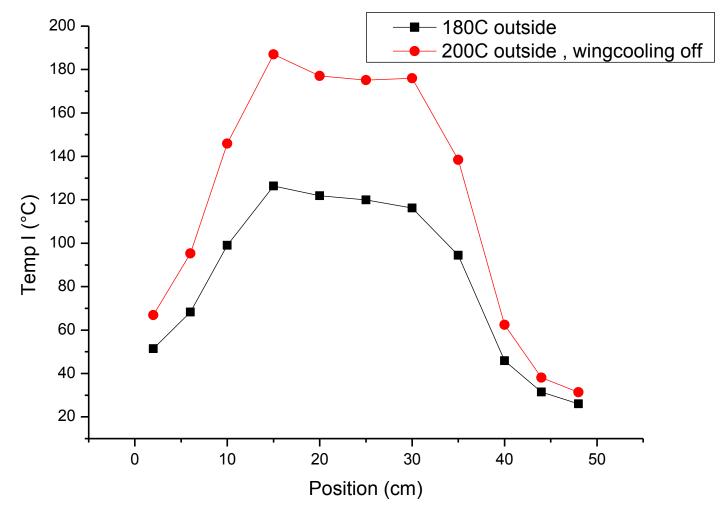
### New plasma cell

- Increase length of wings
- Heating wire around wings
- Other material with less heat conductance, e.g. glass or ceramic possible?
- Wings can have other shapes, e.g. with round or square cross section (no opening angle)



## **Newest Results from Today**

> Reduce water cooling in wings: Big effect!!





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