

DESIGN OF HIGH-POWER GRAPHENE BEAM WINDOW

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- What is hadron beam window?



Hadron beam window

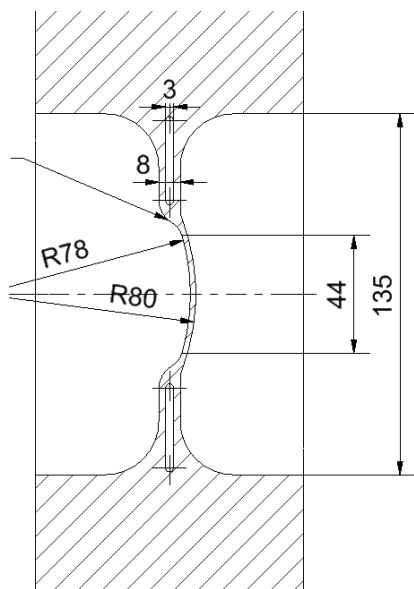
- Key device in high-intensity hadron beam applications.
- Separating the high vacuum region in the accelerator from air or other gas environments.
- The beam passes through the window to impinge the target or beam dump.
- Commonly-used materials: aluminum alloy, Inconel alloy and so on.
- Low power windows: usually air cooling (in front of beam dump).
- High power windows: usually forced water cooling (in front of target).



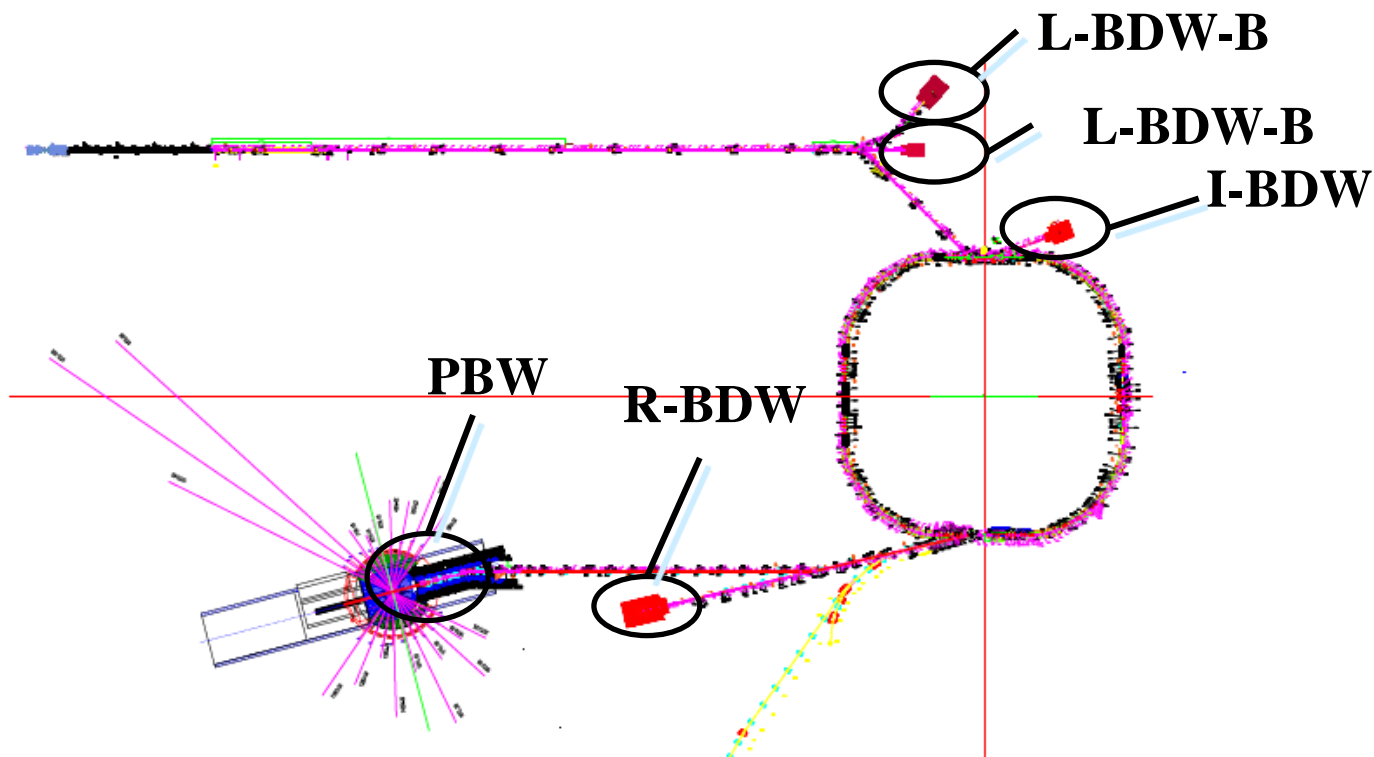
Hadron beam window

■ Take CSNS as an example

- PBW: Proton beam window, material A5083-O, side cooling (forced water) .
- BDW: Beam dump window, material GlidCop Al-15, natural air cooling.



Side cooling

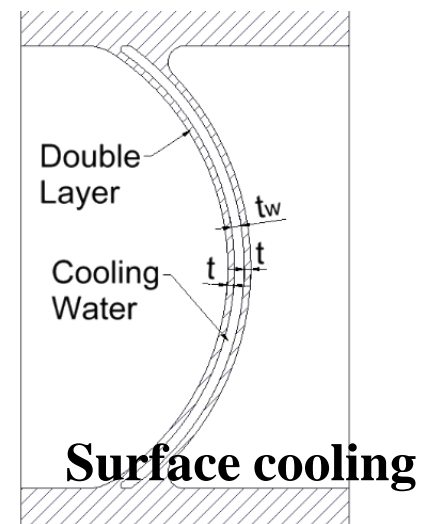




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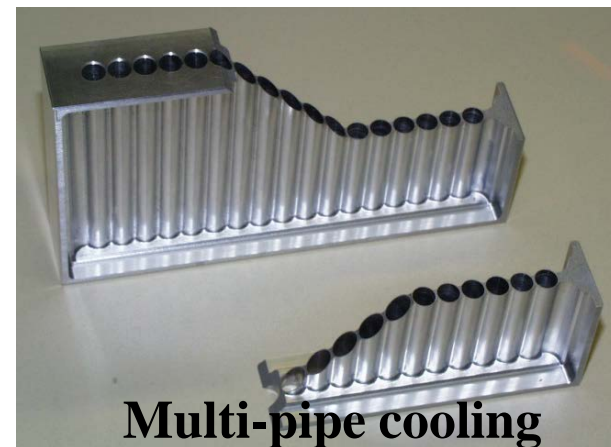
■ Proton beam windows of some accelerators

- Surface cooling (forced water)
 - SNS (1MW): material Inconel 718
 - J-PARC (1MW): material A5083-O
 - ISIS (0.16MW): material Inconel 718
- Multi-pipe cooling (forced water)
 - ESS (5MW): material A6061-T6
 - C-ADS (15MW): material A6061-T6



■ Beam window in study

- Plasma window: in experimental stage





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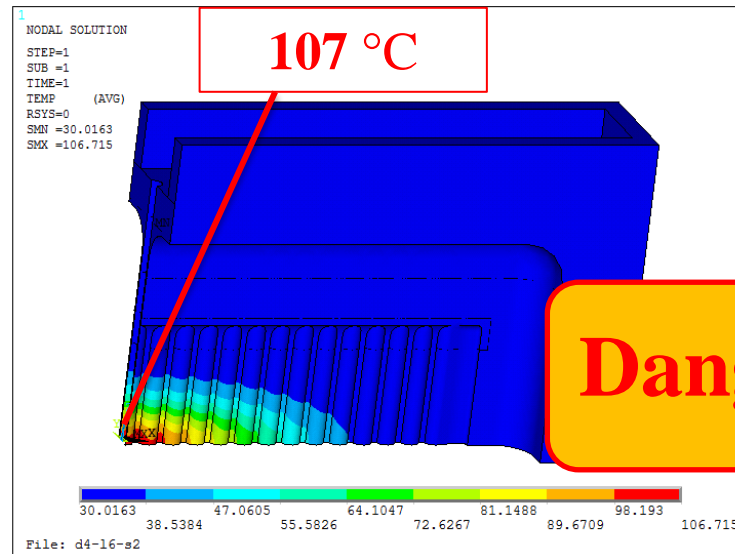
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- Why graphene?

Why to find other material for hadron beam window?



- High power accelerators are developing rapidly.
- Much stricter requirements on the hadron beam window.

- **Cooling**
- Scattering effect
- Radiation damage
- Mechanical strength

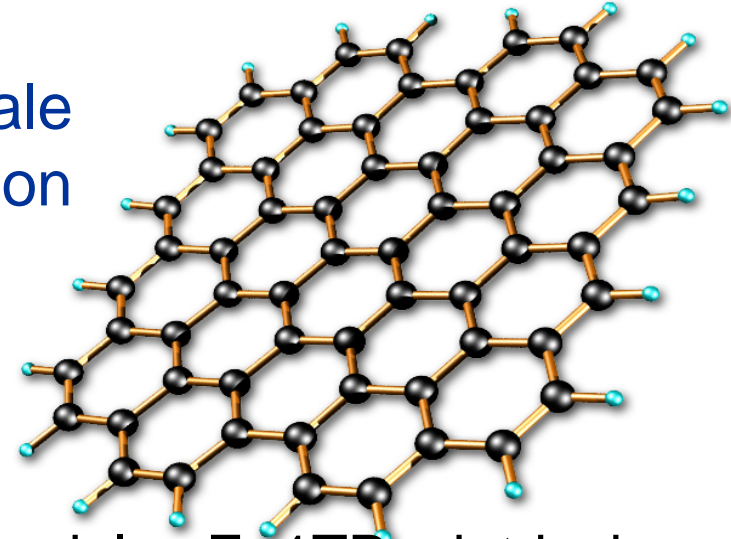


■ Example

- Structure: multi-pipe, material: A5083-O.
- Proton beam distribution: 2D Gaussian, rms size (27, 6.3)mm (same as CSNS).
- Beam power: 2.5MW, highest temperature: 107 °C.

Why graphene?

- Graphene is an atomic-scale honeycomb lattice made of carbon atoms.
- First isolated in the lab in 2004.
- Splendid properties:
 - The **strongest material**: Young's modulus $E=1\text{TPa}$, intrinsic strength $\sigma_{\text{int}}=130\text{GPa}$.
 - High **thermal conductivity**: $4840\text{-}5300\text{ W}/(\text{m}\cdot^{\circ}\text{C})$ at RT.
 - High **transparency** to high-energy ions.
 - **Impermeability** for gases including helium.
 - Certain resistance to **irradiation**.
- Large-size graphene manufacturing technology has matured.





Why graphene?

	A5083-O	Inconel 718	S316 (hardening)	GlidCop Al-15	Graphene
Young's modulus (Gpa)	70.3	199.9	193	110	~1000
Breaking strength (MPa)	290	1375	1280	480-610	~130000
Yielding strength (MPa)	145	1100	965	255-300	
Thermal conductivity (W/(m·°C))	117	14.7	16.2	365	4840-5300



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- Thermal and stress analyses
- Beam Scattering effect
- Discussion on lifetime



Thermal and stress analyses



- Suppose two proton beams:
 - 1.6 GeV in energy and 10 MW in beam power.
 - Beam 1: 60 mm×60 mm in beam size with a uniform distribution.
 - Beam 2: 2D Gaussian round beam, rms size or σ is 20 mm.
- Suppose a graphene window:
 - A square foil.
 - Air cooling on one side.
- The temperature distribution can be calculated using the method of separation of variables.

Thermal and stress analyses



■ For beam 1:

$$T(x, y, z) = T_f + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_{mn} \frac{ch[\eta_{mn}(b-z)] + \alpha sh[\eta_{mn}(b-z)]}{sh(\eta_{mn}b) + \alpha ch(\eta_{mn}b)} \sin(\beta_m x) \sin(\gamma_n)$$

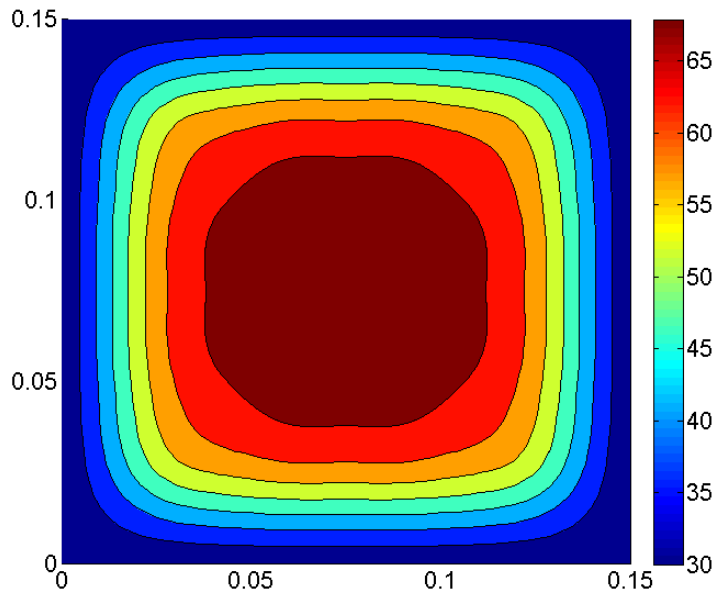
$$\beta_m = \frac{m\pi}{2L}, m = 1, 2, 3... \quad \gamma_n = \frac{n\pi}{2L}, n = 1, 2, 3... \quad \alpha = \frac{h}{k\eta_{mn}}$$

$$C_{mn} = \frac{H_f}{kL^2 \eta_{mn} \beta_m \gamma_n} \{ \cos[\beta_m(L+a)] - \cos[\beta_m(L-a)] \} \cdot \{ \cos[\gamma_n(L+a)] - \cos[\gamma_n(L-a)] \}$$

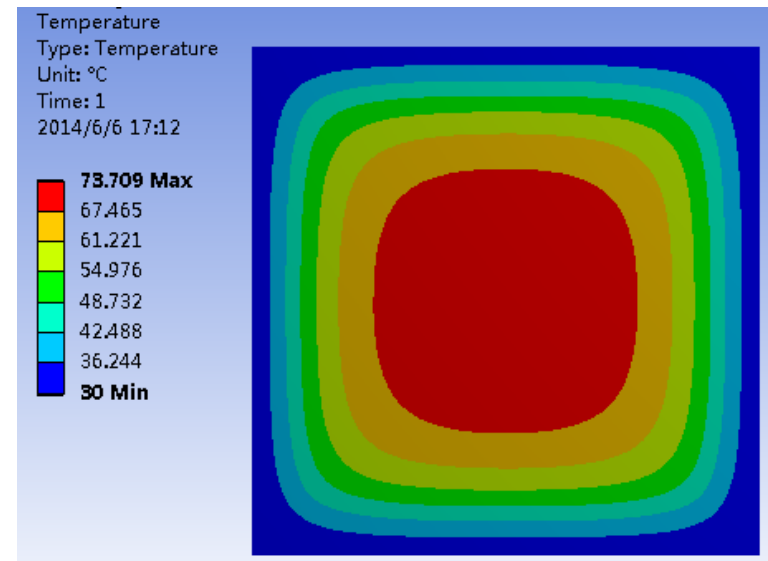
- L : half of the side length of the square, $L=0.075$ m;
- a : the beam size as mentioned above, $a=0.06$ m;
- b : thickness of window, $b=0.335\mu\text{m}$ (100 layers);
- H_f : energy deposition, and heat flux is used;
- h : convection coefficient, $h=5\text{W}/(\text{m}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{C})$ at 30°C ;
- K : thermal conductivity of graphene, $4840\text{W}/(\text{m} \cdot ^\circ\text{C})$.

Thermal and stress analyses

- The highest temperature calculated by Matlab is 73.3 °C. It is **consistent to** the results of thermal analysis using ANSYS which shows that the highest temperature is 73.7 °C.



Analytical by Matlab



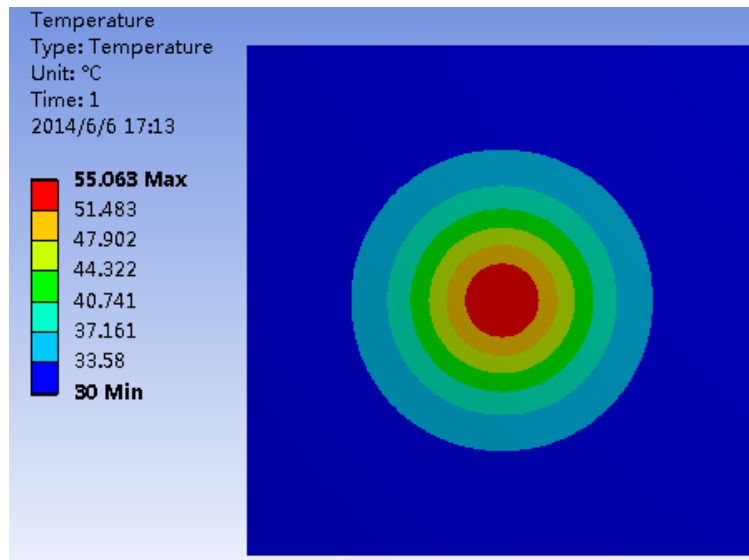
FEA by ANSYS



Thermal and stress analyses

■ For beam 2:

- σ is 20 mm, namely is 1/3 of a , the highest temperature is 55.1 °C, which is lower than that of the uniform distribution beam.
- There is no bad effect on temperature in a graphene window when the beam is 2D Gaussian distribution (peak current is higher).





Thermal and stress analyses



- The highest temperature increases when the beam power is larger.
- For beam 2: the highest temperature is only 155.3 °C even if the beam power reaches to 50 MW, **far below** the melting point of graphene.

Beam power (MW)	1	10	30	50
Highest temperature (°C)	32.5	55.1	105.2	155.3

Thermal and stress analyses



- Thermal stress is **small** due to low temperature.
- The main cause of the stress is the **Hooke stress** of air pressure.
- A **curved window** is helpful to decrease the stress.

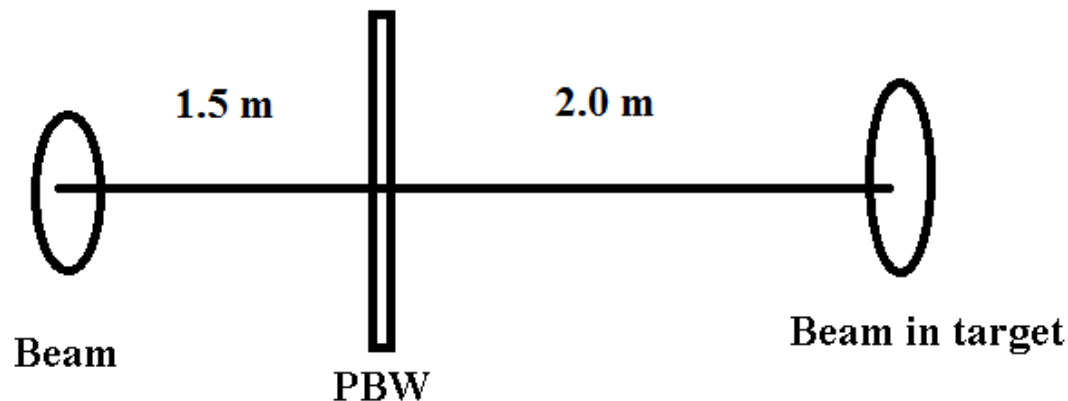
Window shape	Highest Hooke stress
Flat (circular)	$\sigma_{\max} = \pm 0.188 p (D / \delta)^2$
cylinder	$\sigma_{\max} = pD / 2\delta$
sphere	$\sigma_{\max} = pD / 4\delta$

- Suppose $p=1$ ATM, $D=150$ mm, $\delta=0.335$ (100 layers).
- The highest Hooke stress is about 22.4 GPa, **far less than the breaking strength** of about 130 Gpa.
- Other problems, such as wrinkling, should be considered in further studies.



Beam Scattering effect

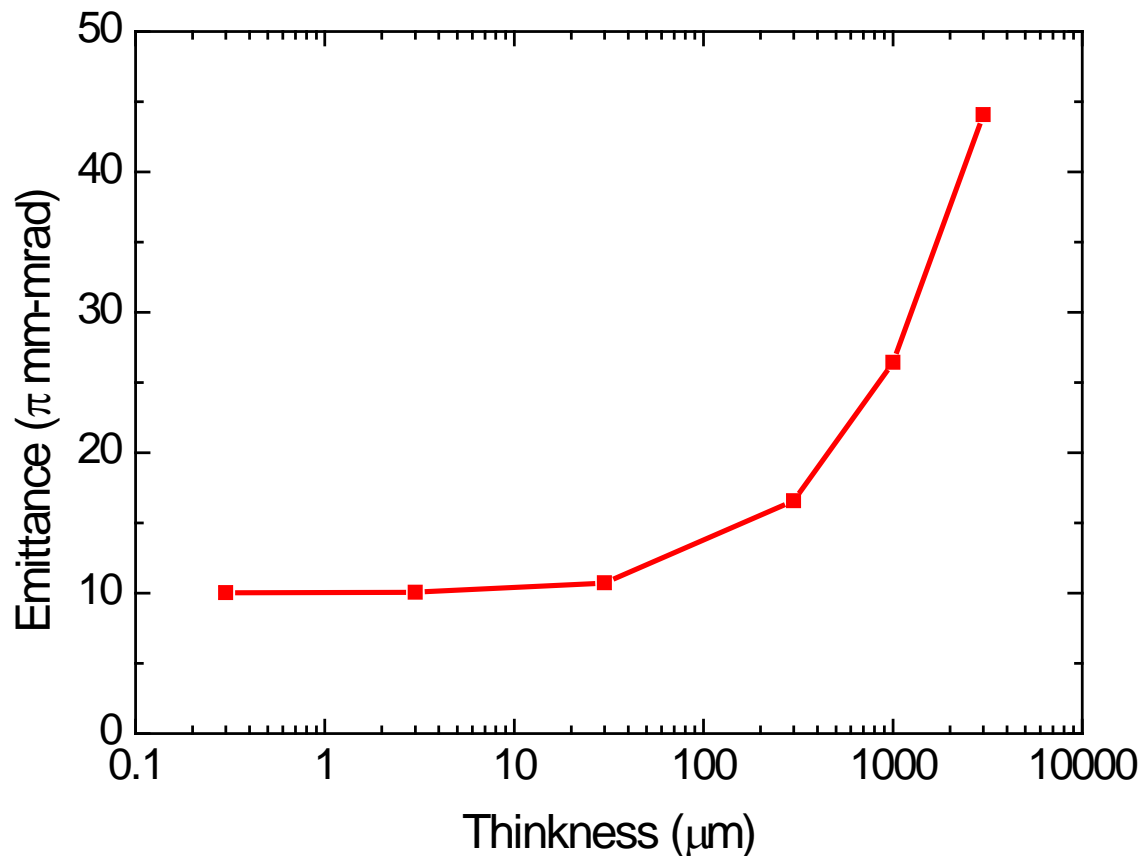
- High transparency to high-energy ions, an ideal property for beam window.
- Scattering effect is estimated.
 - Considering the window as a carbon foil.
 - Suppose the beam is beam 2, and the non-normalized emittance is 10π .mm.mrad.





Beam Scattering effect

- Graphene window: thinner than 100 μm .
- Traditional window: the order of about 1 mm.



Discussion on Lifetime

- The beam passing through the beam window can cause defection of the material.
- The DPA has been calculated by FLUKA.
 - DPA: displacement per atom, a major index of the radiation damage.

$$N_d = \phi \cdot t \cdot n_0 \cdot \sigma_d \cdot \nu$$

$$DPA = N_d / n_0$$

N_d : total displacement atoms;

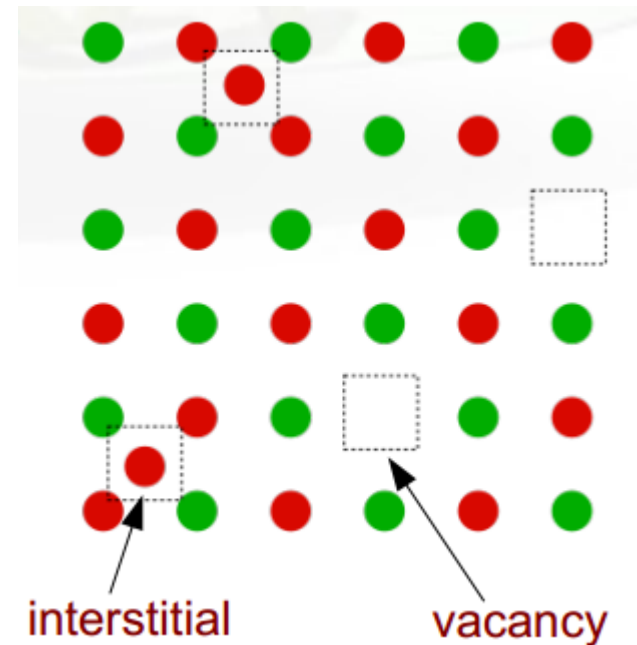
Φ : incident particle flux;

n_0 : atoms/cm³;

σ_d : cross section;

ν : displacement damage function;

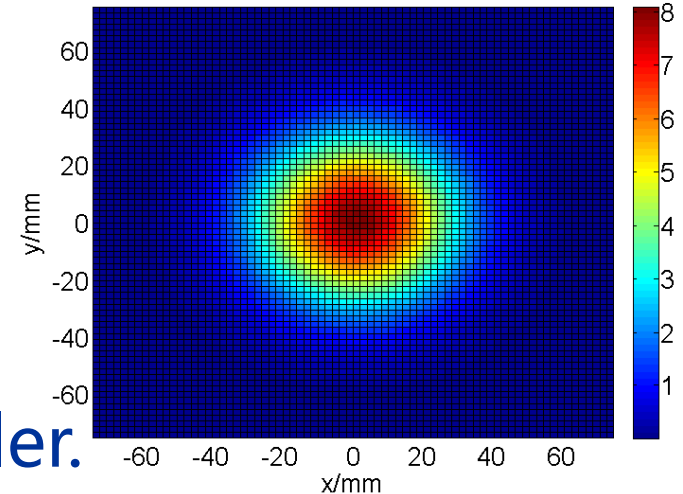
t : time.



Discussion on Lifetime

■ Calculation.

- Use beam 2, suppose operation time is 7200h/y.
- Peak current density: 251 $\mu\text{A}/\text{cm}^2$.
- Max DPA is about 8.1/y.



■ The actual DPA should be smaller.

- The result calculated by algorithm developed for bulk solids is larger than that of two-dimensional systems.*

■ Graphene has certain resistance to irradiation.

- High mechanical stability and good impermeability for small atoms even with high vacancy concentration.#

■ Applicable lifetime needs further investigation.

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summary

- Graphene beam window for MW-class hadron beams is proposed and studied.
- Thermal and stress analyses show that graphene is a very potential window material in extremely high power beams.
- The simulation denotes that the beam scattering effect can be ignored.
- The DPA has been calculated and the lifetime of a graphene window is discussed.
- The results are promising.
- Many detailed investigations need to be pursued before the graphene can be exploited in real beam window applications.



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