

Influences of Magnetic Field Parameters on ECRIS Plasma Characteristics

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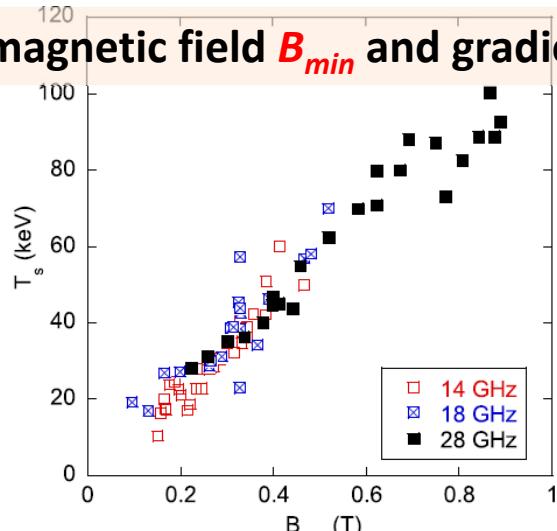
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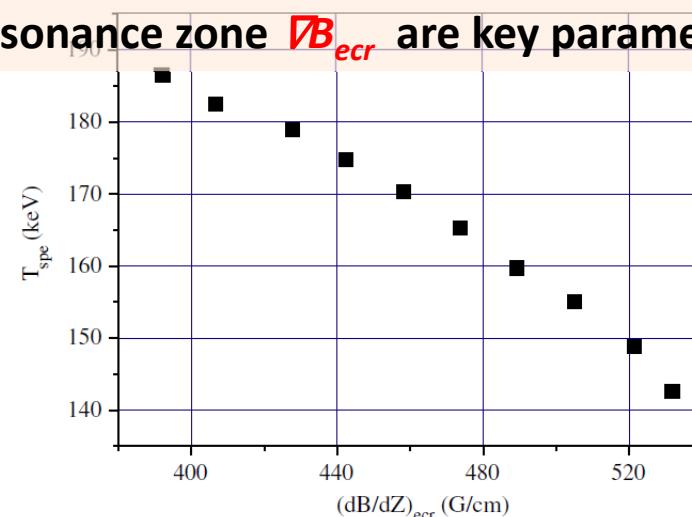
Quick overview

- Correlation of magnetic field parameters to bremsstrahlung spectral temperature T_s is not yet clear

minimum magnetic field B_{min} and gradient at resonance zone ∇B_{ecr} are key parameters on T_s

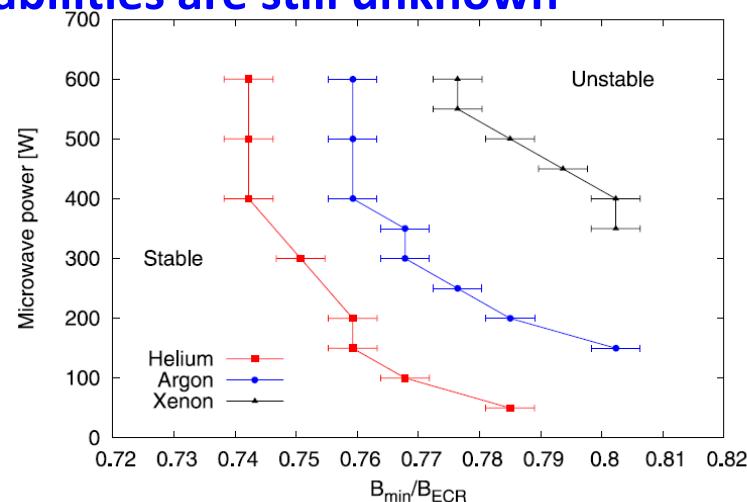


Benitez J et al 2017 IEEE Trans. Plasma Sci. 45 1746–54



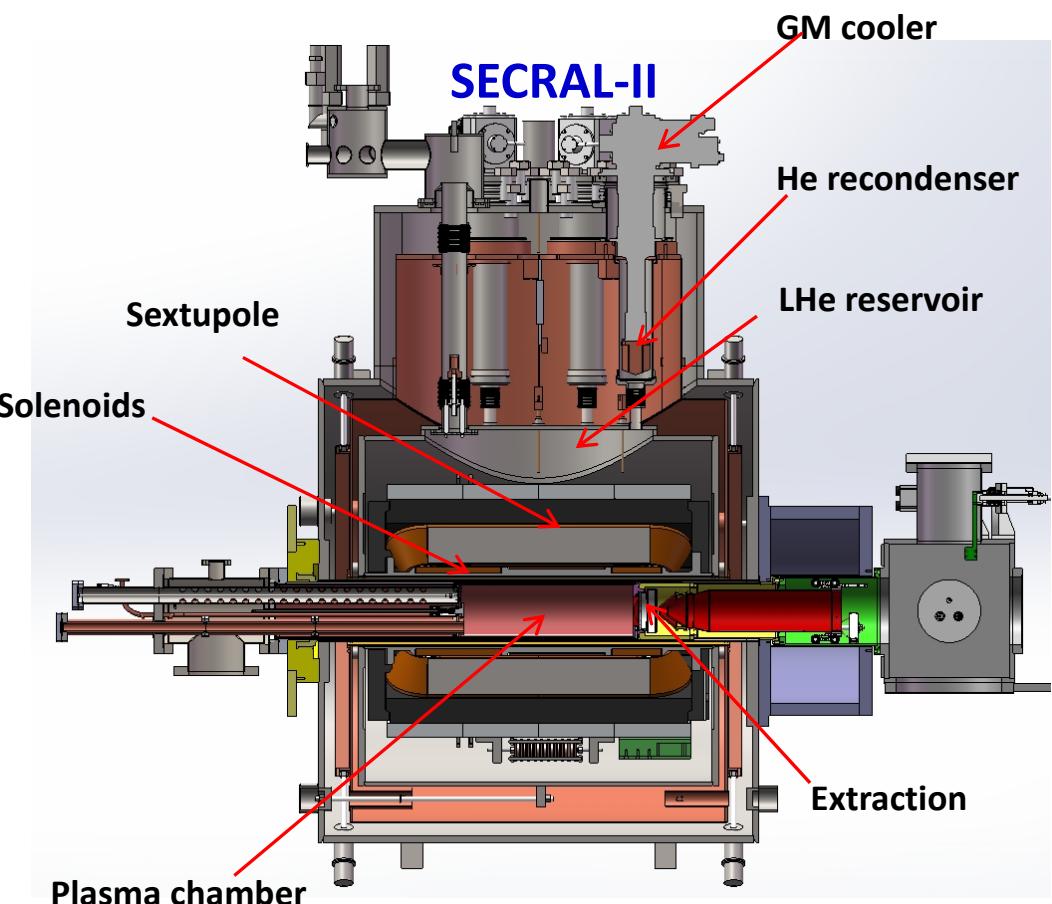
Zhao H Y et al 2009 Plasma Sources Sci. Technol. 18 025021

- Possible correlation between bremsstrahlung spectra and the appearance of electron cyclotron instabilities are still unknown



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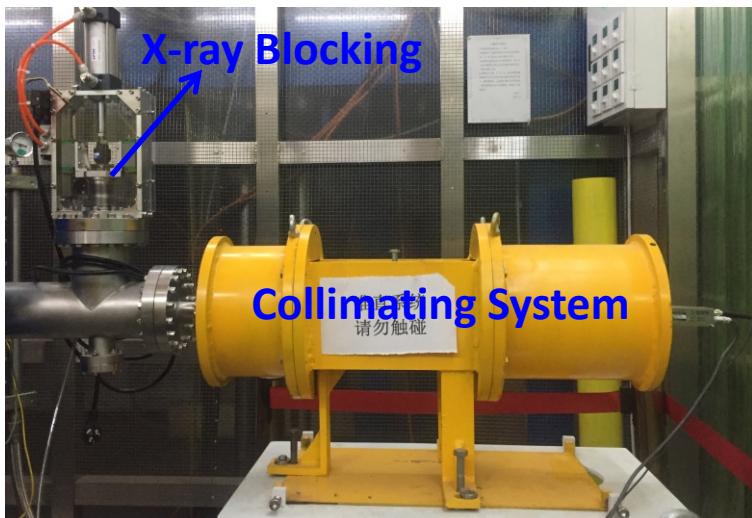
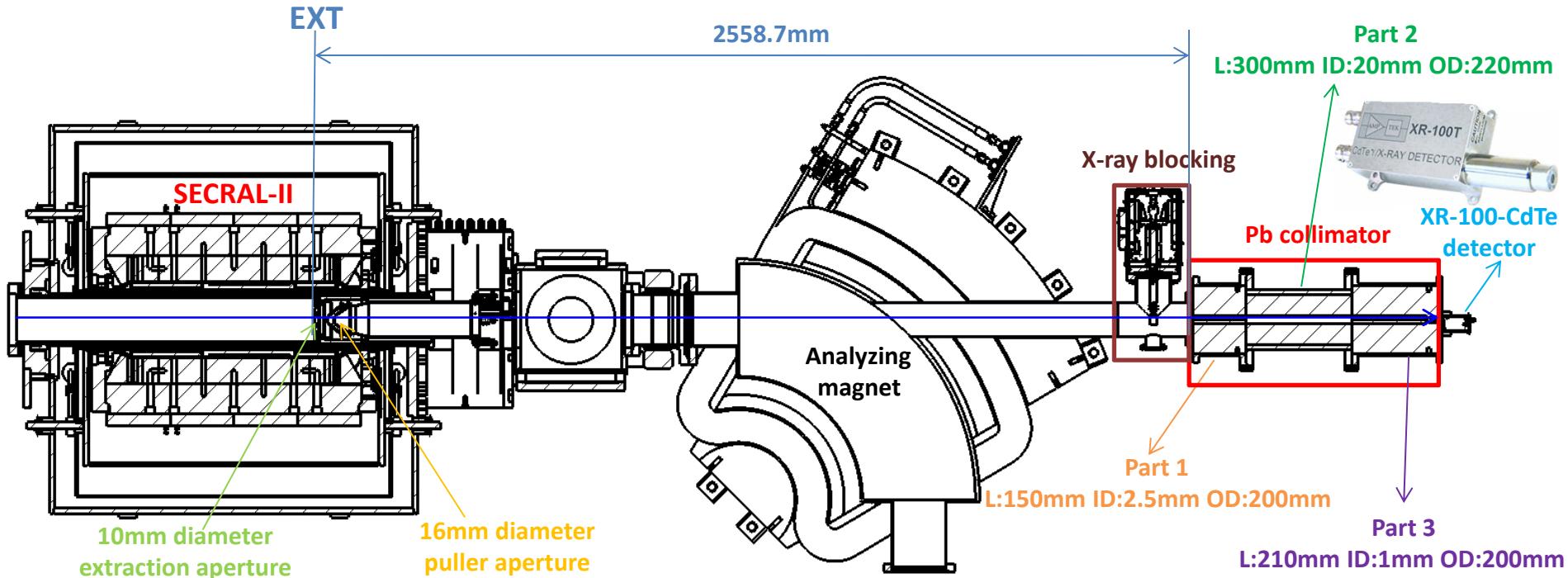
SECRAL-II ion source



Key parameters

ω_{rf} (GHz)	18-28
Axial Field Peaks (T)	3.7 (Inj.), 2.2 (Ext.)
Mirror Length (mm)	420
No. of Axial SNs	3
B_r at Chamber Inner Wall (T)	2.0
Magnet Cooling	LHe bathing
Chamber ID (mm)	125.0
Dynamic cooling power (W)	~6

Bremsstrahlung detection system

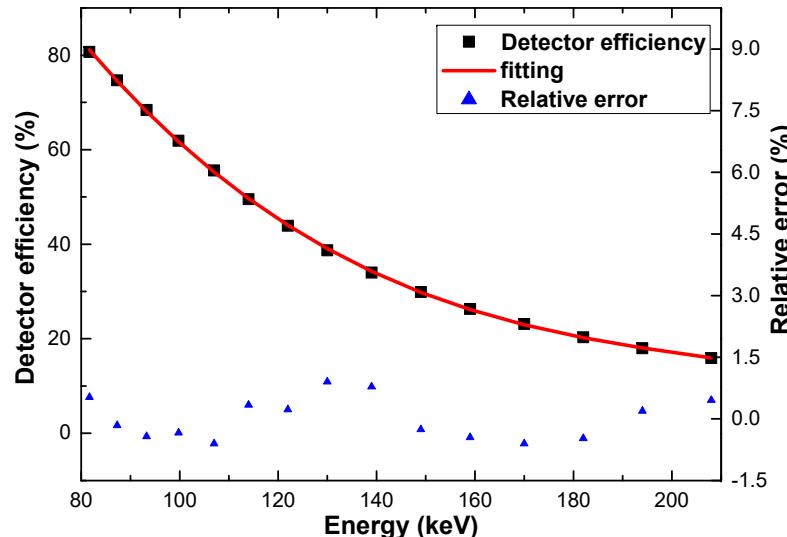
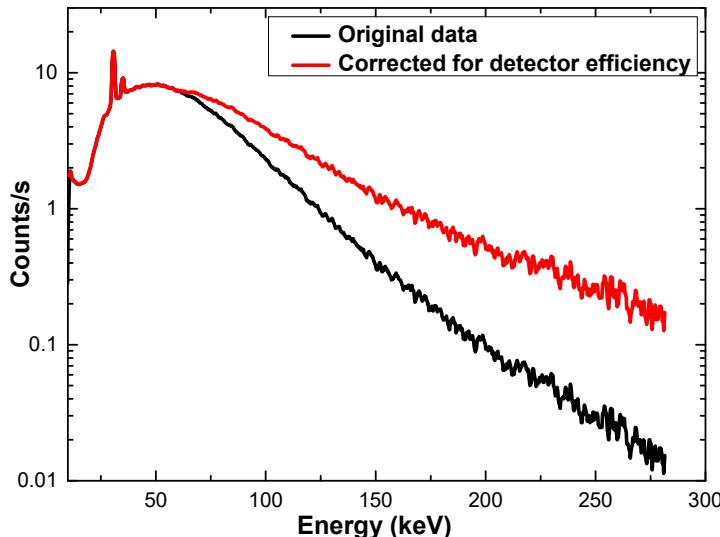


- Designed using **MCNP** code to avoid
 - I. Thick target bremsstrahlung
 - II. Secondary radiation

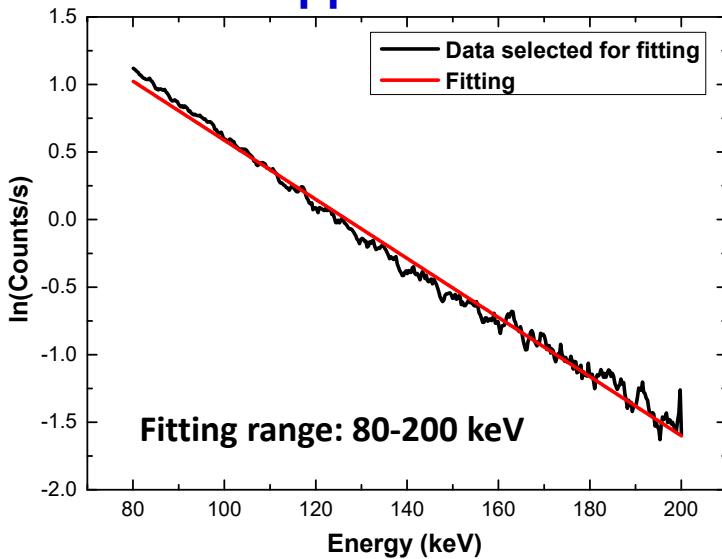
Spectral temperature T_s determination

I. Calibration applied

II. Spectra corrected for detector efficiency



III. Linear fit applied



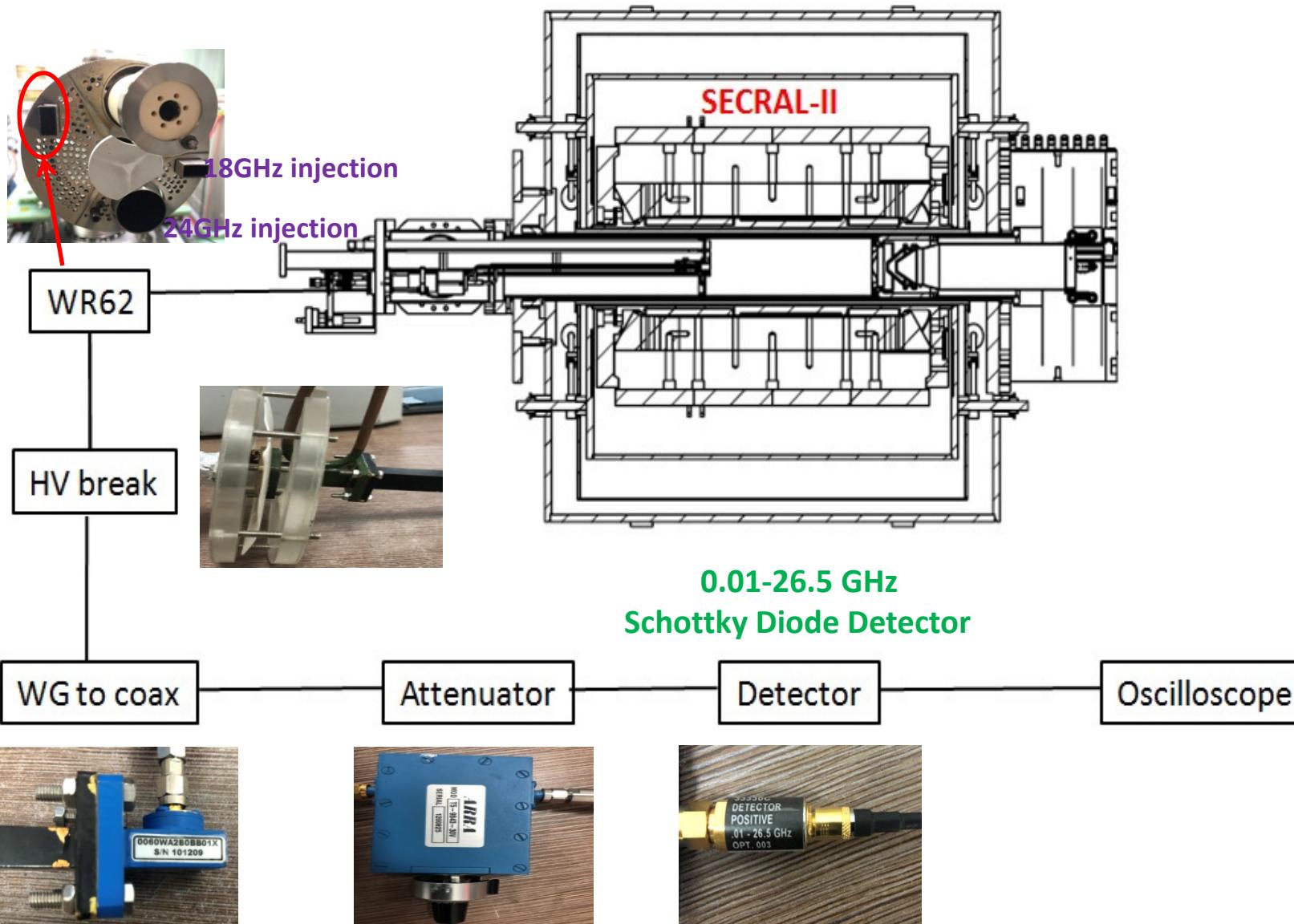
$$\text{Spectral Power } j(\hbar\omega) \propto \exp(-\hbar\omega / T_s)$$



In semi-log plot

$T_s = -1/\text{slope}$

Microwave signal measurement system



Electron cyclotron instabilities

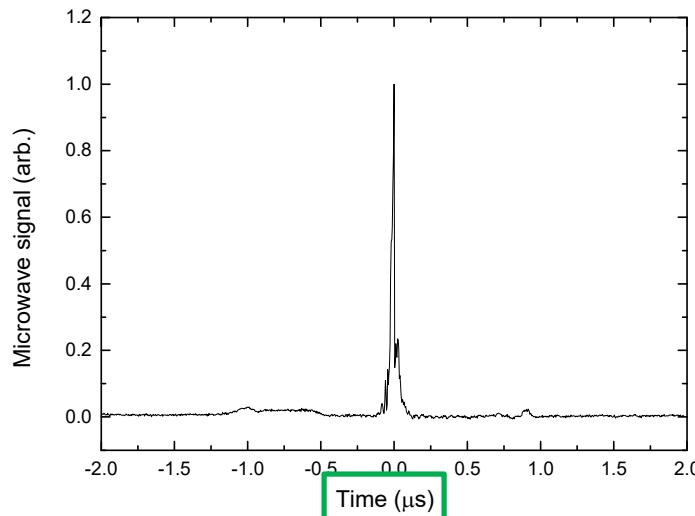
- Driven by **hot electrons** interacting resonantly with electromagnetic plasma waves
- A characteristic feature (independent on the mode) is **emission of microwaves**
- Energy of microwave emission, E_μ , is described by growth and damping rates, Γ and Δ

$$\frac{dE_\mu}{dt} \approx (\Gamma - \Delta)E_\mu$$

Γ is proportional to the anisotropy of the EVDF

$$\Gamma \propto \frac{n_{e,hot}}{n_{e,cold}}$$

Exponential growth of instability amplitude when $\Gamma > \Delta$



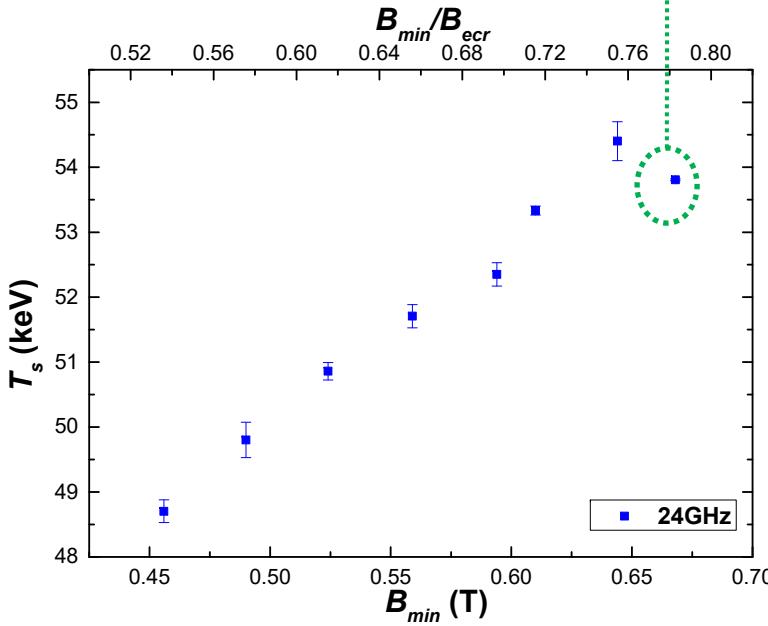
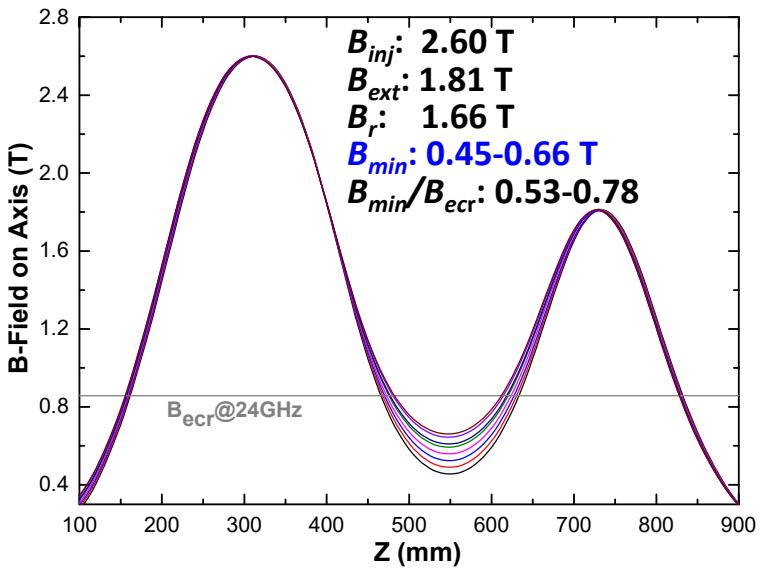
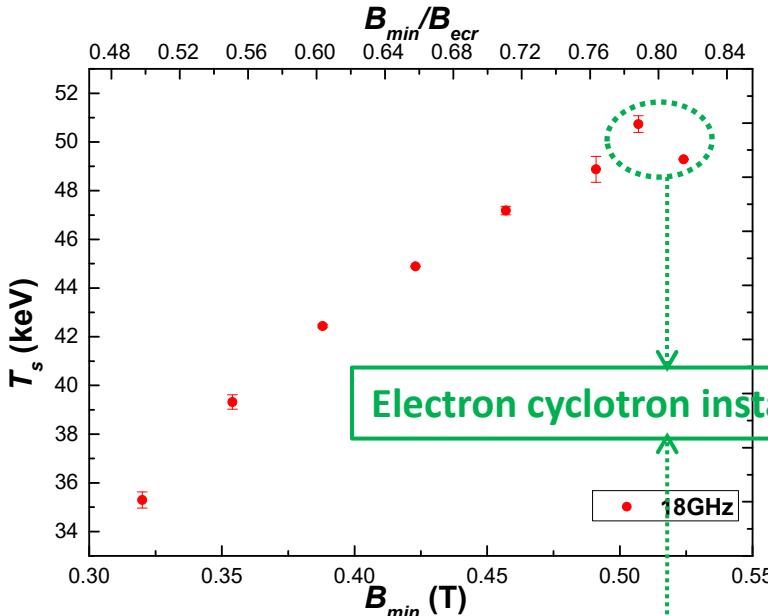
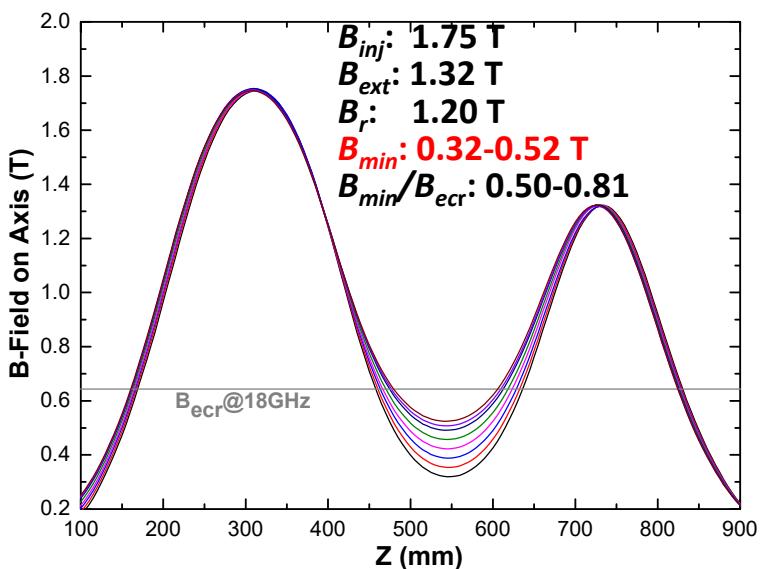
Example of microwave signal associated with electron cyclotron instability on **SECRAL-II**

Source parameters

Beam	Xe
Frequency (GHz)	18、 24
Power (w)	1500
Extraction Voltage (kV)	20
Biased Disk Voltage (-V)	40-50
Injection Pressure (mbar)	$1\sim 2 \times 10^{-7}$

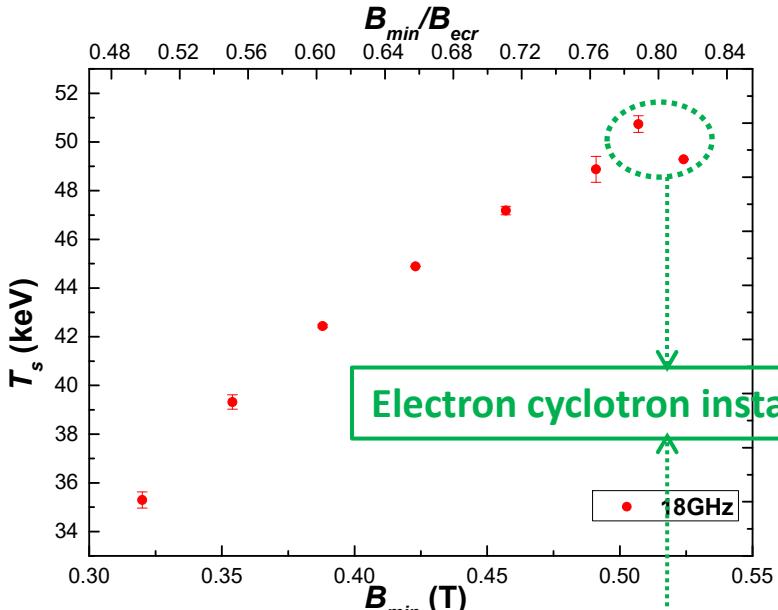
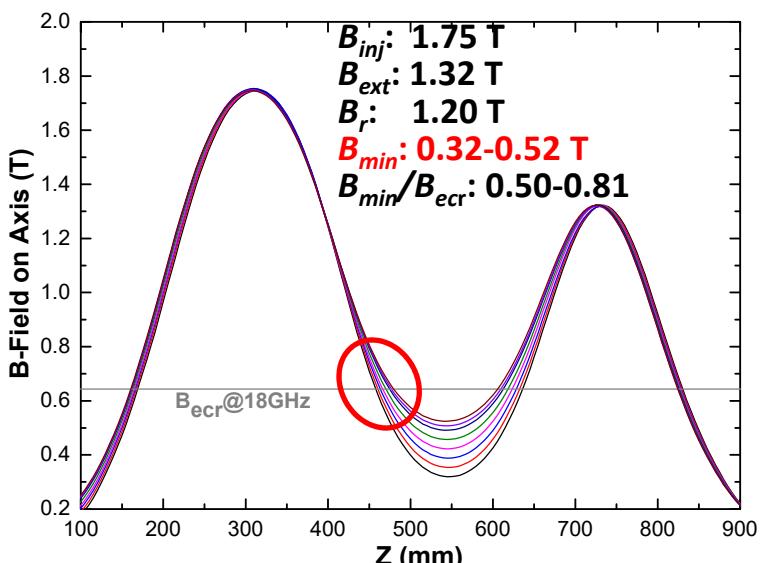
Experimental results- part 1

Constant B_{inj} , B_{ext} and B_r while varying B_{min}

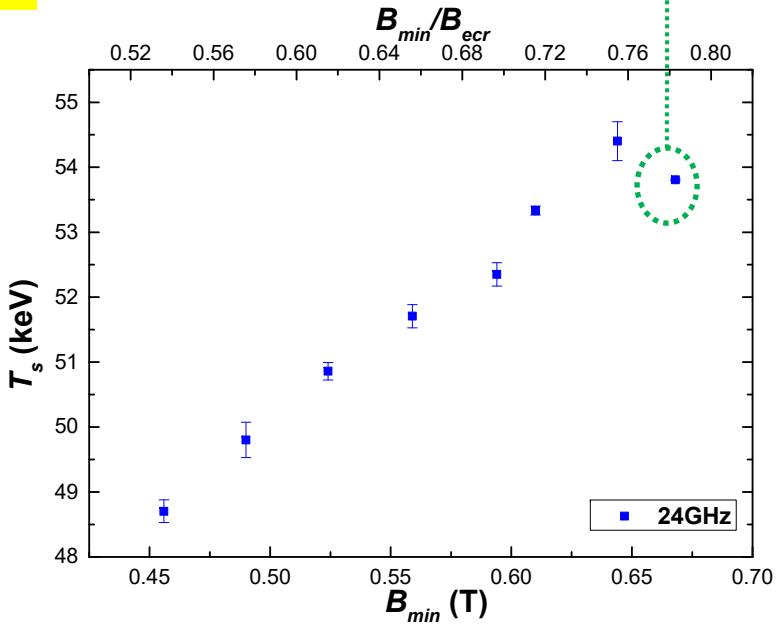
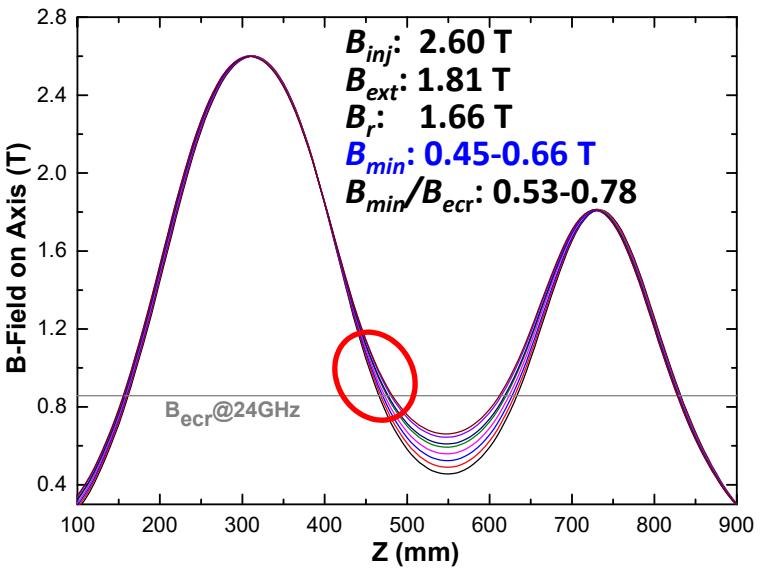


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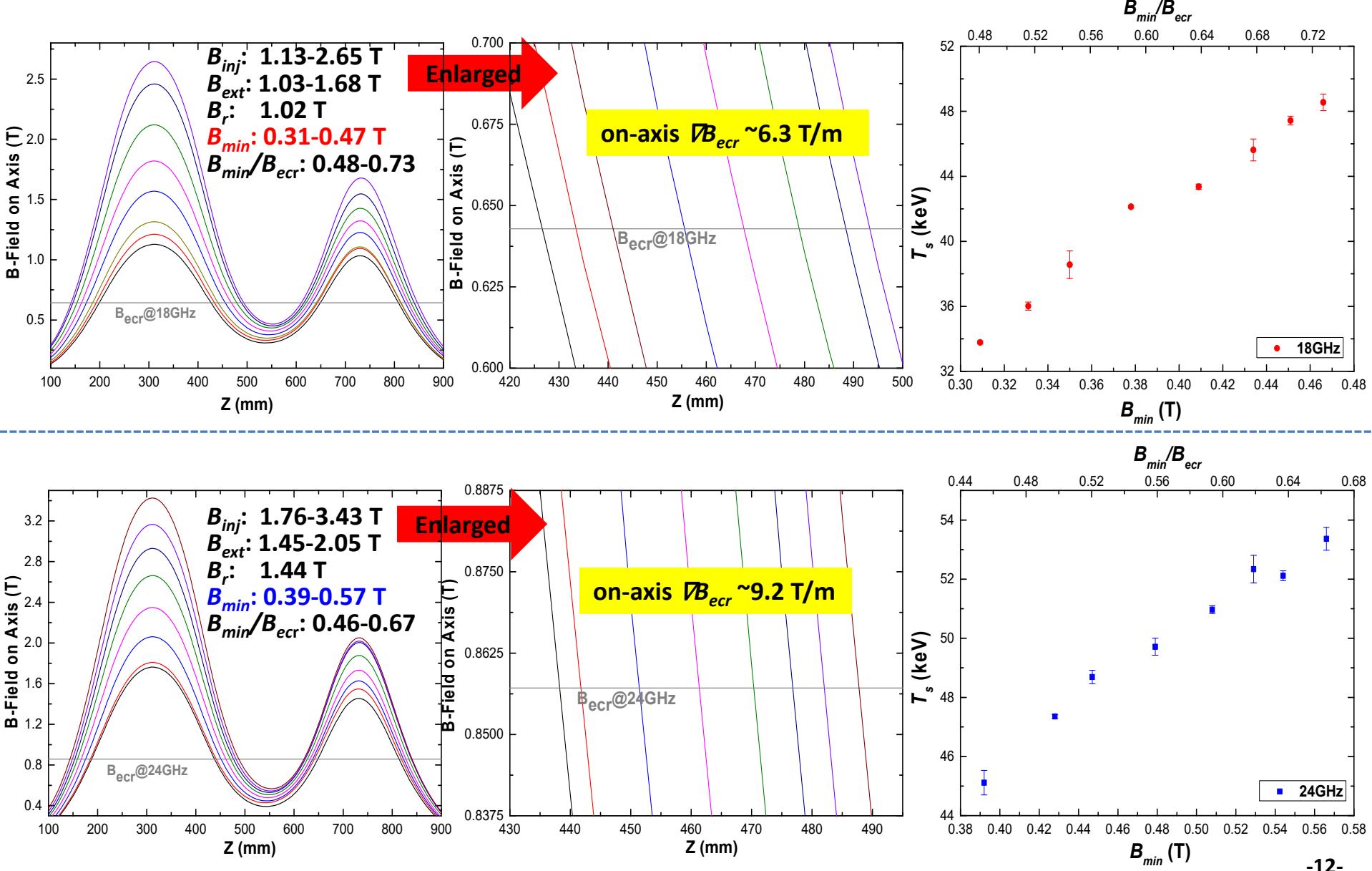


Note: on-axis ∇B_{ecr} is also changed when B_{min} is changed



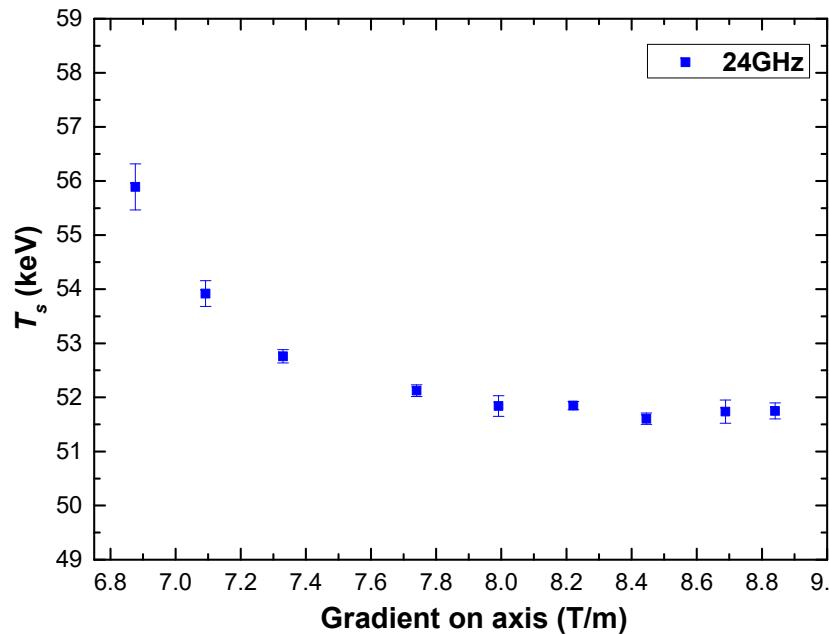
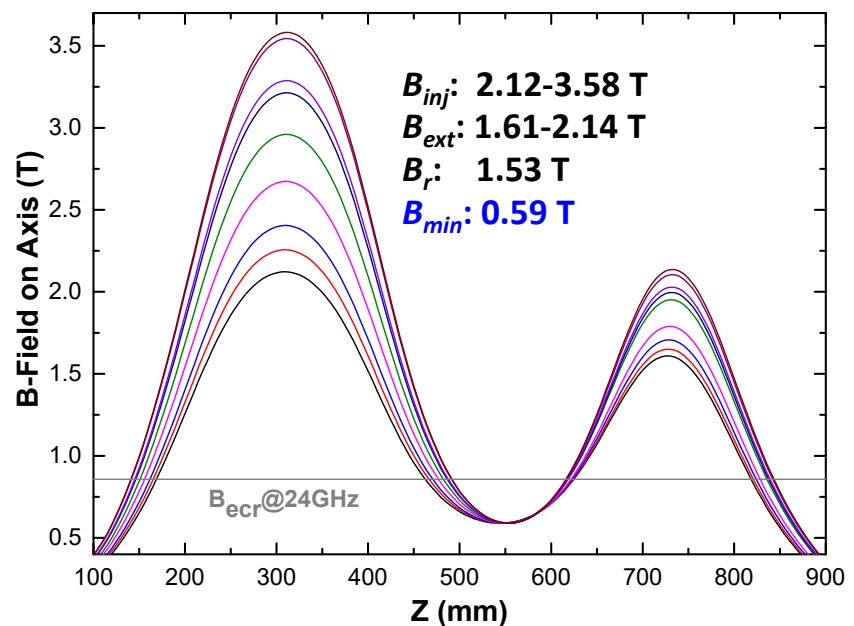
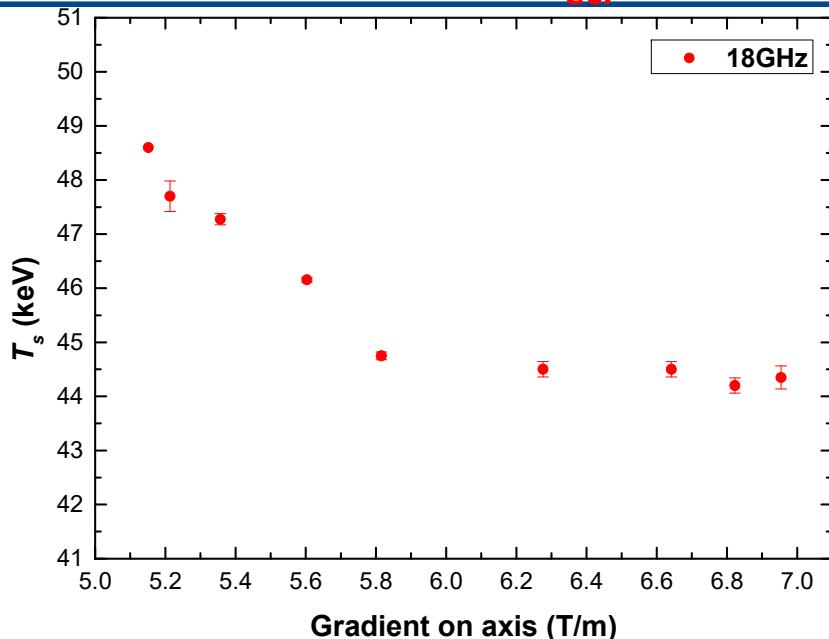
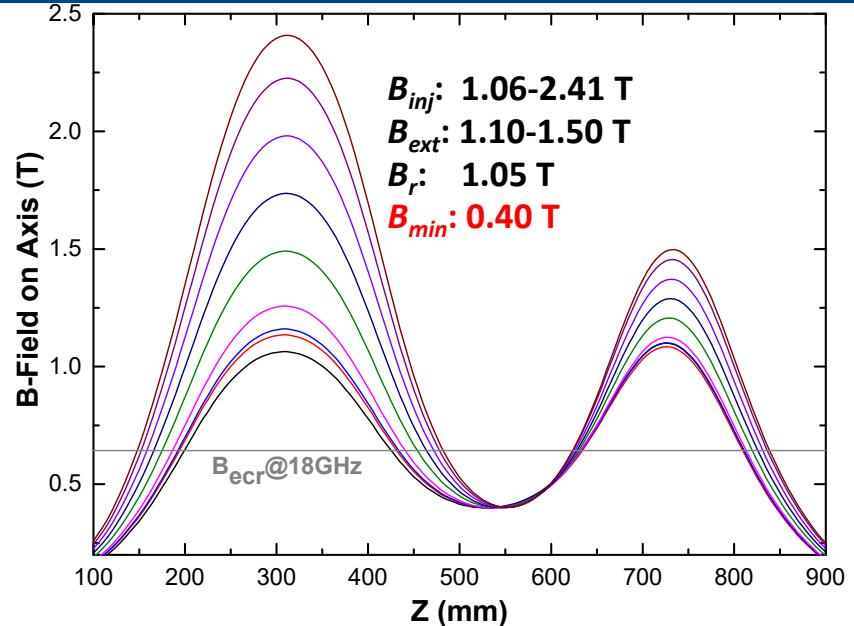
Experimental results- part 2

Constant on-axis ∇B_{ecr} and B_r while varying B_{min}



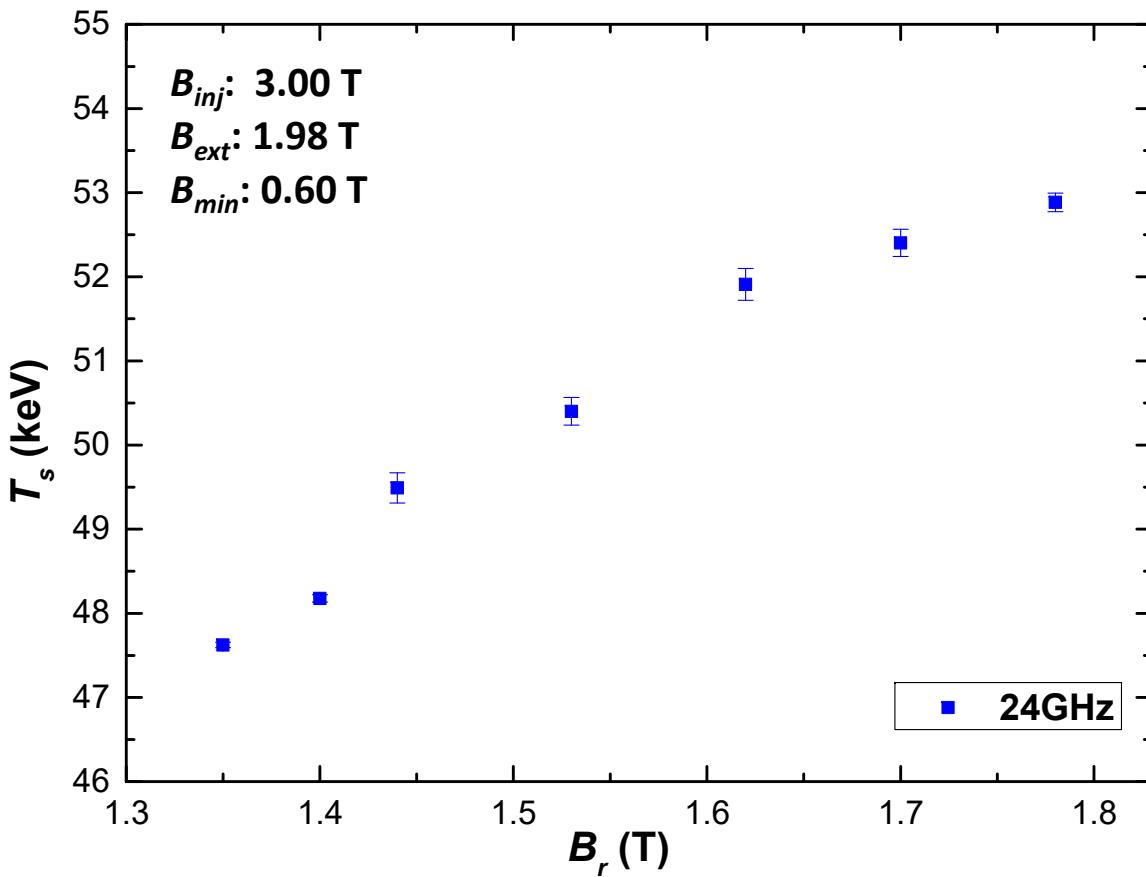
Experimental results- part 3

Constant B_{min} and B_r while varying on-axis ∇B_{ecr}



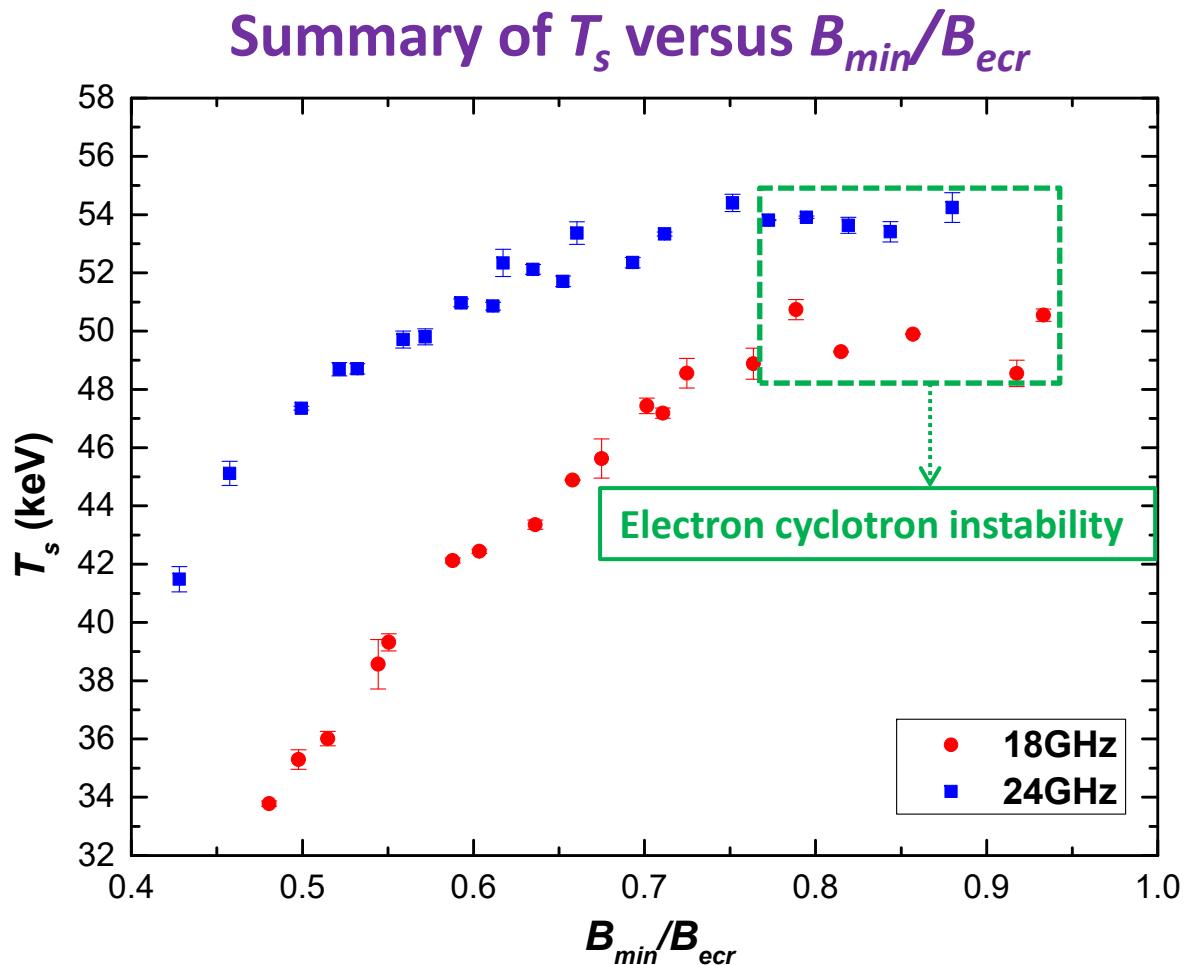
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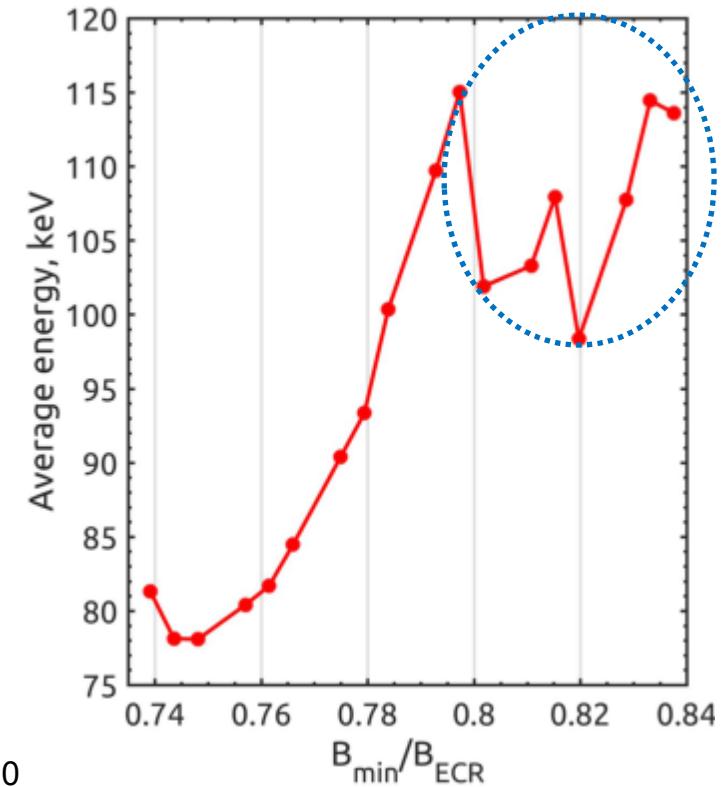
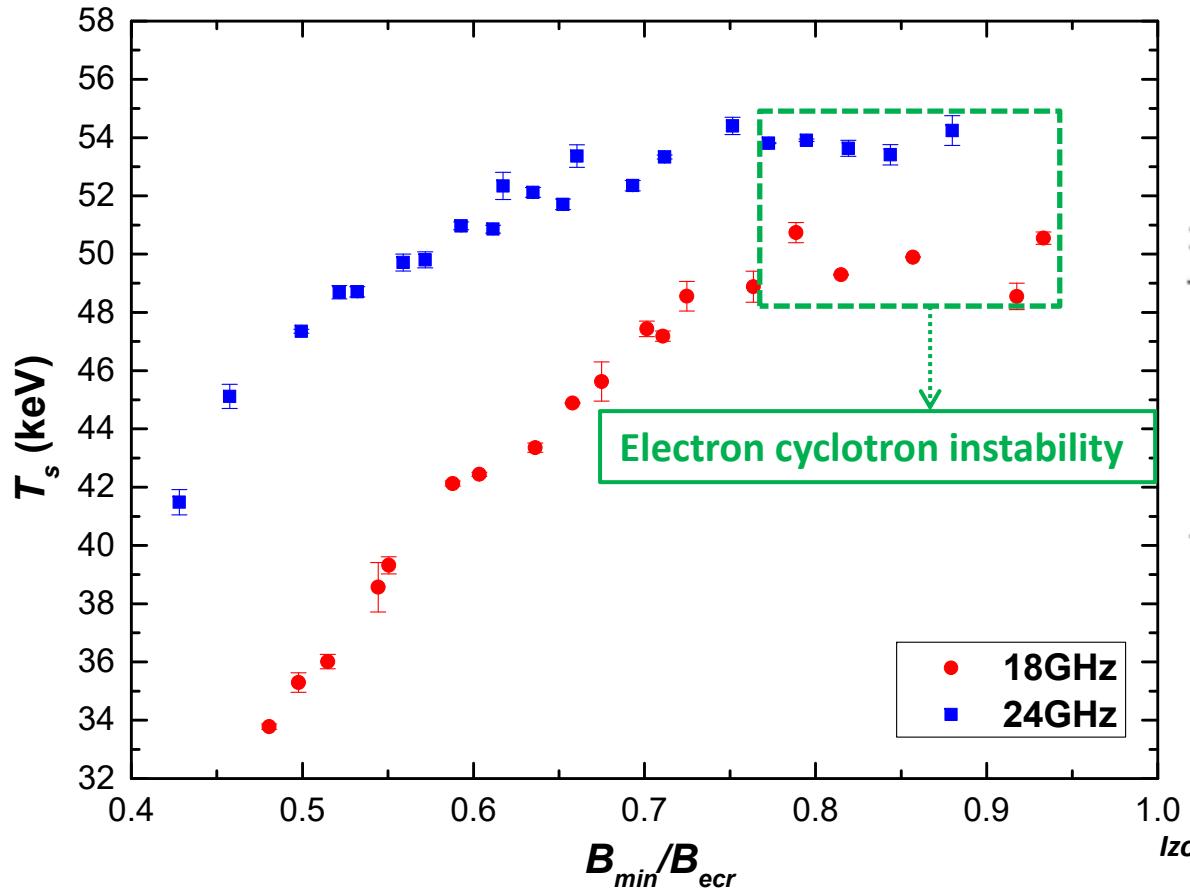
Constant B_{inj} , B_{ext} and B_{min} while varying B_r



Discussion

-Correlation between T_s and electron cyclotron instabilities



Summary of T_s versus B_{min}/B_{ecr} 

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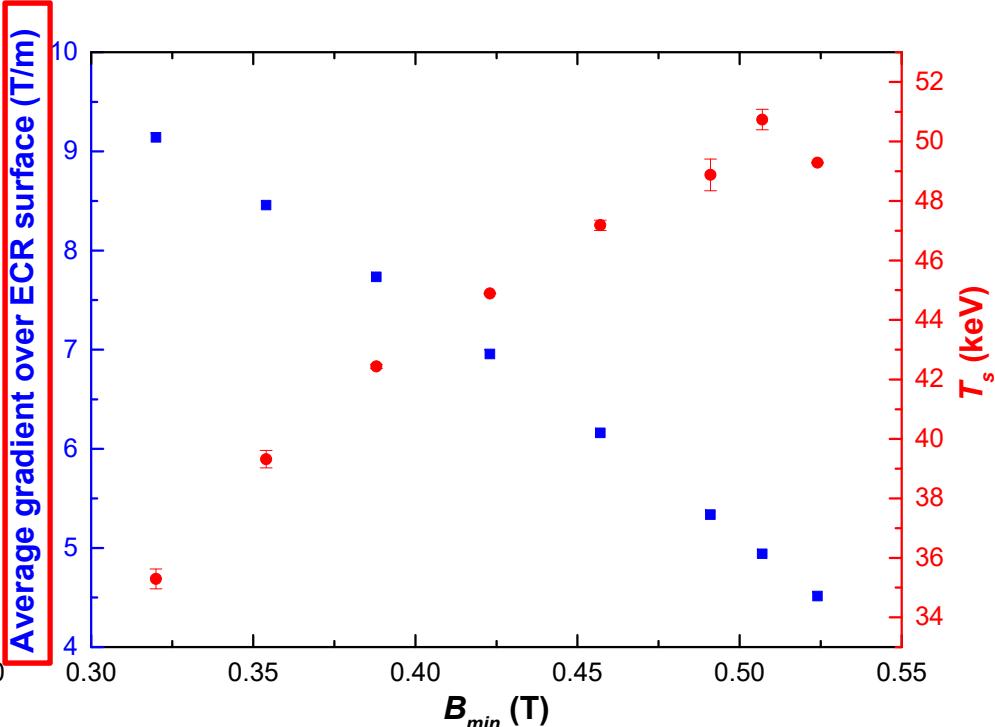
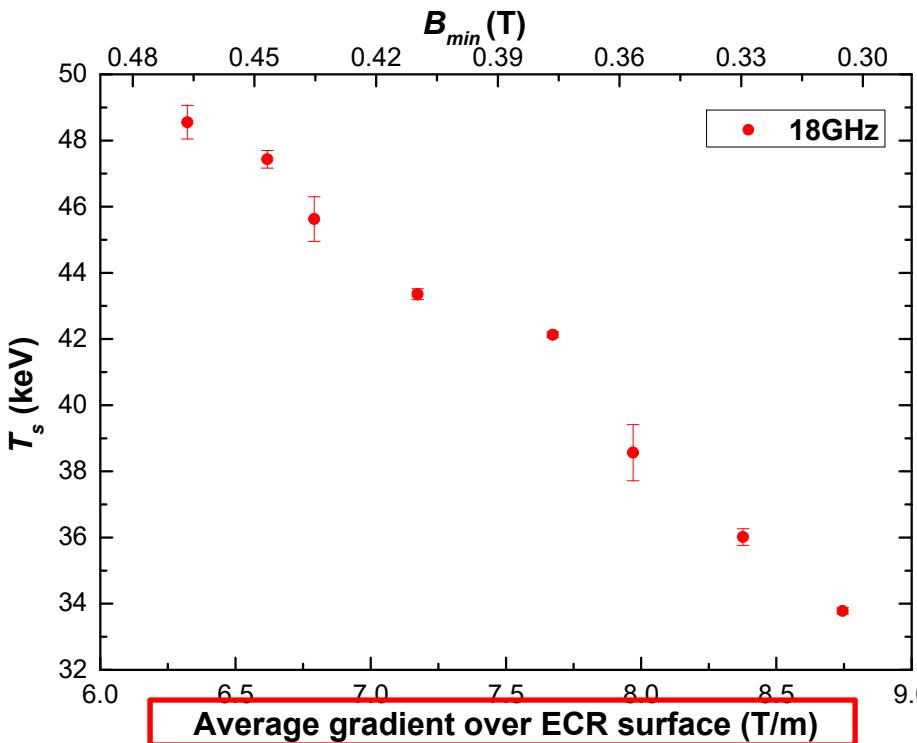
Discussion

-How to understand apparent linear B_{min} dependence on T_s

- Electron energy gain in single resonance crossing
 - Effective resonance width
- } depend strongly on ∇B_{ecr}
rather than B_{min}

Average gradient over ECR surface:

$$\langle \nabla B_{ecr} \rangle = \langle \left(\bar{B} / |\bar{B}| \right) \cdot \nabla B \rangle_{ecr, cold}$$



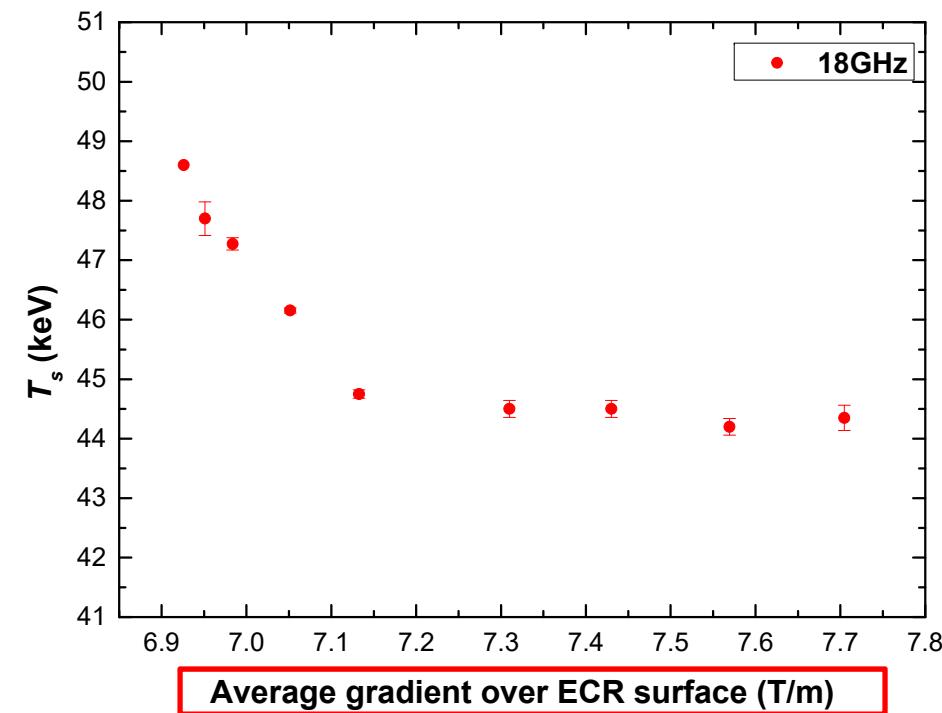
Constant on-axis ∇B_{ecr} and B_r while varying B_{min}

Constant B_{inj} , B_{ext} and B_r while varying B_{min}

Discussion

-Plasma confinement

Constant B_{min} and B_r while varying on-axis ∇B_{ecr}



B_r (T)	B_{min} (T)	B_{inj} (T)	B_{ext} (T)	$\langle \nabla B_{ecr} \rangle$ (T/m)
1.05	0.40	1.06	1.10	6.92
		1.14	1.11	6.95
		1.16	1.12	6.98
		1.26	1.13	7.05
		1.49	1.21	7.13
		1.74	1.29	7.31
		1.98	1.37	7.43
		2.23	1.45	7.57
		2.41	1.50	7.70

Mirror ratio (B_{max}/B_{min}): 2.65-6.03

Discussion -Plasma confinement

Constant B_{inj} , B_{ext} and B_{min} while varying B_r

B_{last} defines overall magnetic confinement

f (GHz)	B_{inj} (T)	B_{min} (T)	B_{ext} (T)	B_r (T)	$\langle \nabla B_{ecr} \rangle$ (T/m)	B_{last} (T)
24	3.00	0.60	1.98	1.35	9.09	1.05
				1.40	9.13	1.09
				1.44	9.18	1.13
				1.53	9.29	1.21
				1.62	9.39	1.29
				1.70	9.50	1.37
				1.78	9.61	1.45

Weak effect of $\langle \nabla B_{ecr} \rangle$

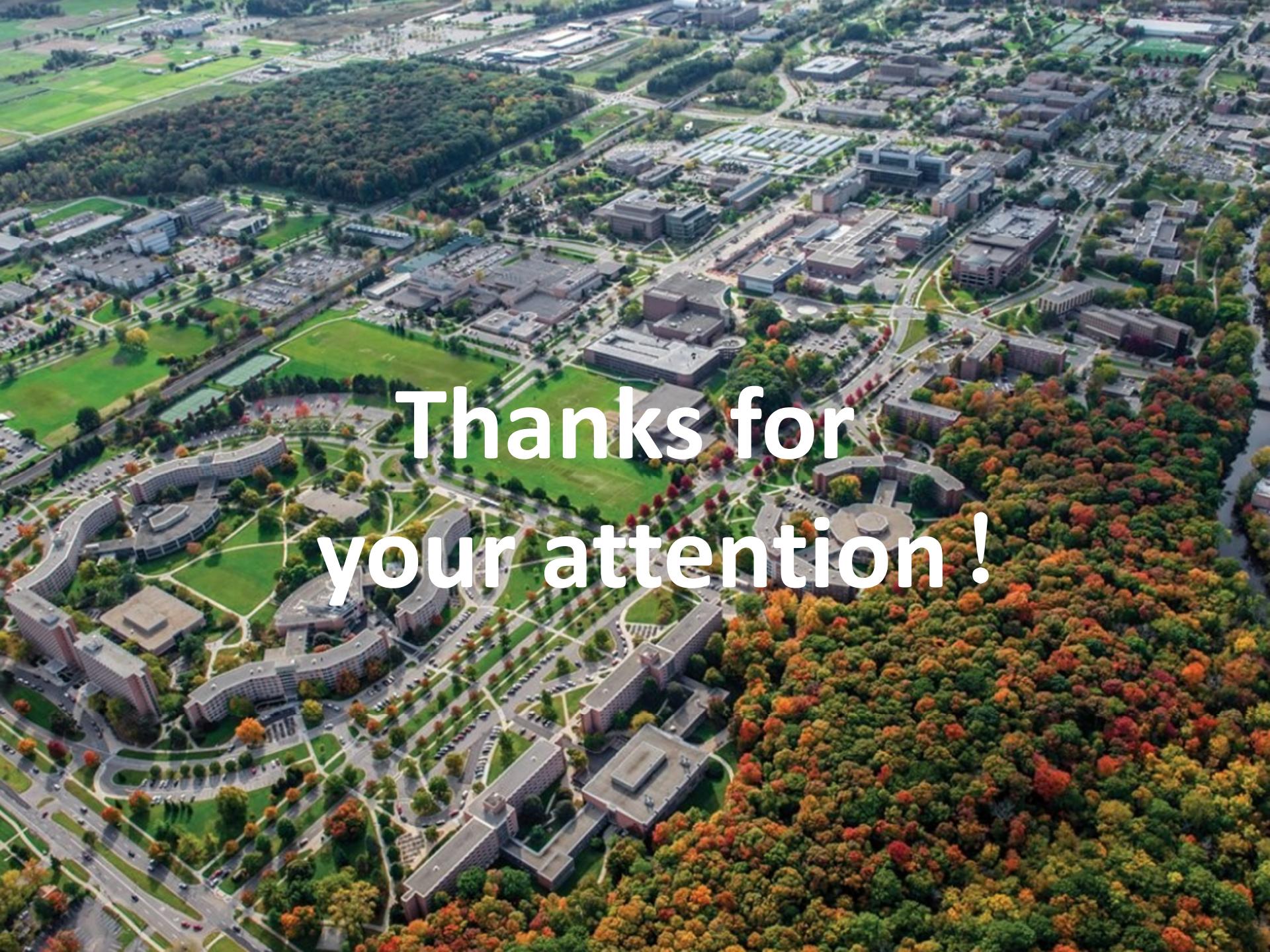
Conclusion

- I. Bremsstrahlung spectral temperature T_s increases approximately linearly with the increase of B_{min}/B_{ecr} up to ~ 0.8 and then saturates with the appearance of electron cyclotron instabilities, which suggests that periodic bursts of energetic electrons escaping the magnetic confinement will limit the increase of the energy content carried by the hot electron population and eventually lead to a saturation of T_s ;
- II. Increasing B_{min} corresponds to decreasing $\langle \nabla B_{ecr} \rangle$ although the on-axis ∇B_{ecr} remains constant, which shows the inherent link between B_{min} and $\langle \nabla B_{ecr} \rangle$, and thus provides a viewpoint that is more coincident with theoretical studies to understand the apparent linear B_{min} dependence and the appearance of electron cyclotron instabilities;
- III. T_s decreases with the increasing of gradient (on-axis ∇B_{ecr} and $\langle \nabla B_{ecr} \rangle$) at relatively low mirror ratio and is insensitive to the gradient at high mirror ratio when B_{min} is constant, which indicates that T_s depends on not only electron heating, but also depends on electron confinement. This view is supported by the dependence of T_s on the radial confinement.



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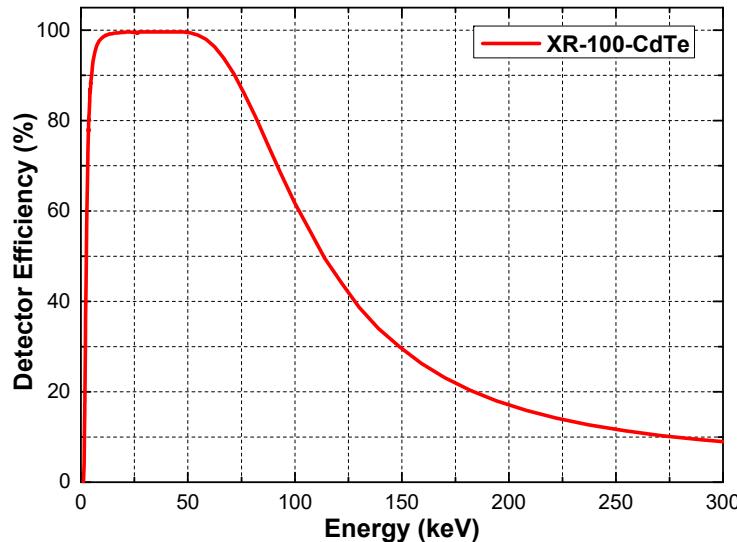
An aerial photograph of a large university campus during autumn. The campus features a mix of modern and older architectural styles, with numerous buildings, green lawns, and trees displaying vibrant fall colors. A network of roads and pathways connects the different parts of the campus. In the background, the surrounding urban area is visible, showing more buildings and infrastructure.

Thanks for
your attention!

Appendix

XR-100-CdTe Detector

Detector type	Cadmium Telluride (CdTe) Diode
Detector areas	5 x 5 mm (25 mm ²)
Detector thickness	1 mm
Energy resolution @ 122 keV, ⁵⁷ Co	<1.5 keV FWHM, typical
Detector window	Be: 4 mil thick (100 µm)
Energy range	10 – 300 keV
Detector efficiency	See below



Appendix



8473C Low-Barrier Schottky Diode Detector, 10 MHz to 26.5 GHz

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Key Features & Specifications

Superior RF Performance

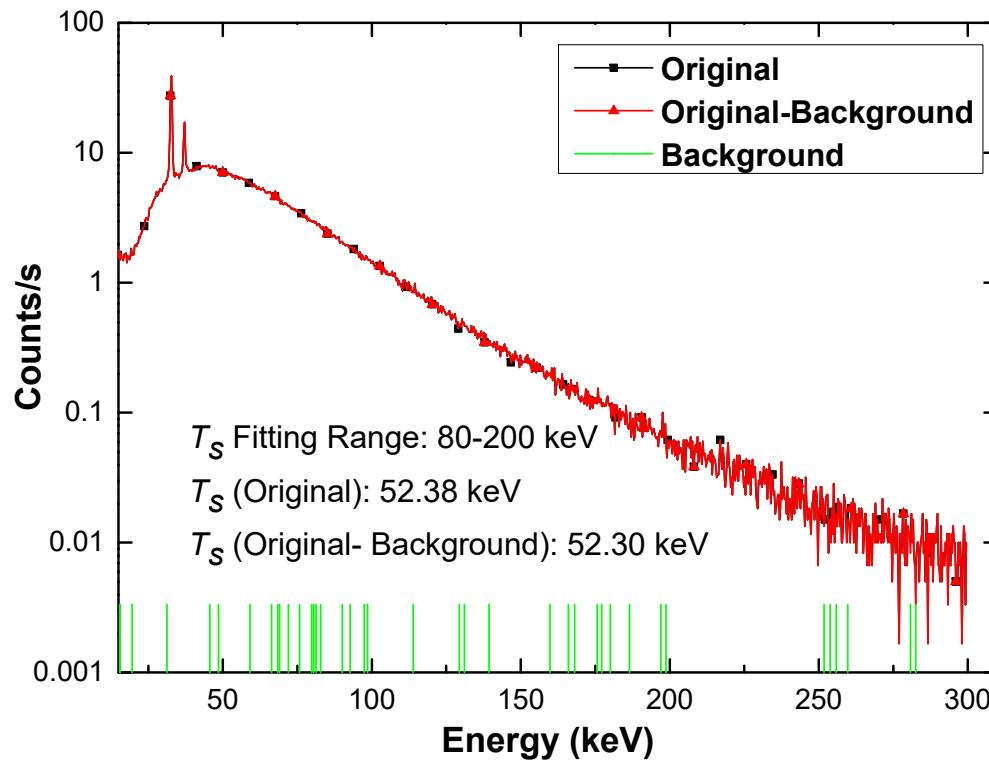
- Frequency response: ±0.3 dB to 12.4 GHz, ±0.6 dB to 20 GHz, ±1.5 dB from a -3.3 dB linear slope starting at 20 GHz to 26.5 GHz
- Maximum SWR: 1.2 to 4 GHz, 1.5 to 18 GHz, 2.2 to 26.5 GHz
- Low-level sensitivity: > 0.5 mV/uW to 18 GHz, > 0.18 mV/uW to 26.5 GHz
- Maximum operating input power: 200 mW
- Typical short-term maximum input power (< 1 minute): 1 W
- Noise: < 50 uV
- Output polarity: negative
- Input connector: 3.5 mm male

Description

The Keysight 8473C Low-Barrier Schottky Diode (LBSD) detector has been widely used for many years in a variety of applications including leveling and power sensing. It offers good performance and ruggedness. Matched pairs (Option 001) offer very good detector tracking.

Appendix

Efficiency of Collimating System



- Difference (with or without background subtraction) of T_S is less than 0.16%
- All data presented in this talk are spectra without background subtraction

Appendix

The solenoid field model is constructed by fitting a sixth order polynomial $B_z(z)$ to on axis magnetic field

The off-axis solenoid field is evaluated with a standard expansion

$$B_z(r,z) = A_0 + A_1 z + A_2 \left(z^2 - \frac{r^2}{2} \right) + A_3 \left(z^3 - \frac{3r^2 z}{2} \right) \\ + A_4 \left(z^4 - 3r^2 z^2 + \frac{3r^4}{8} \right) + A_5 \left(z^5 - 5r^2 z^3 + \frac{15r^4 z}{8} \right) \\ + A_6 \left(z^6 - \frac{15r^2 z^4}{2} + \frac{45r^4 z^2}{8} - \frac{5r^6}{16} \right), \quad (\text{A1})$$

$$B_r(r,z) = -A_1 \frac{r}{2} - A_2 r z - A_3 \left(\frac{3r z^2}{2} - \frac{3r^3}{8} \right) \\ - A_4 \left(2r z^3 - \frac{3r^3 z}{2} \right) - A_5 \left(\frac{5r z^4}{2} - \frac{15r^3 z^2}{4} + \frac{5r^5}{16} \right) \\ - A_6 \left(3r z^5 - \frac{15r^3 z^3}{2} + \frac{15r^5 z}{8} \right), \quad (\text{A2})$$

The sextupole field model is constructed by fitting a linear combination of cylindrical multipoles

$$B_r(r,\theta) = \sum_i J_i \left(\frac{r}{r_{\text{ref}}} \right)^{i-1} \cos(i\theta), \quad (\text{A3})$$

$$B_\theta(r,\theta) = \sum_i -J_i \left(\frac{r}{r_{\text{ref}}} \right)^{i-1} \sin(i\theta), \quad (\text{A4})$$