



Observation of Electron Cyclotron Instabilities in SECRAL-II Ion Source

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Outline



I. Research aim

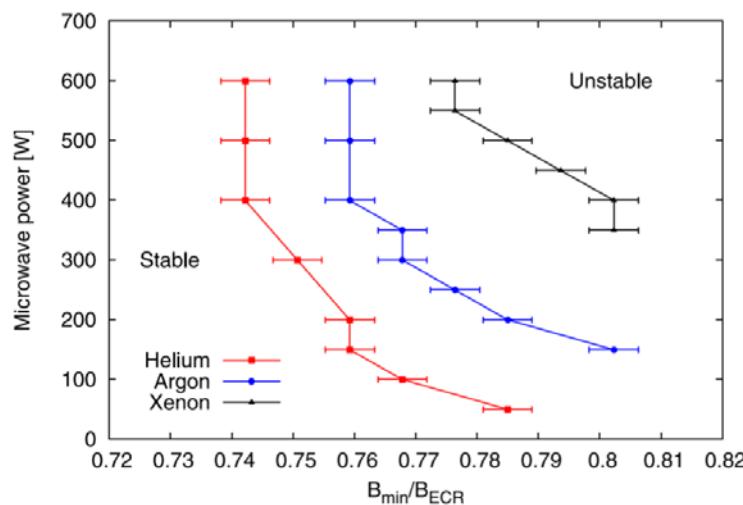
II. Experimental setup

III. Results

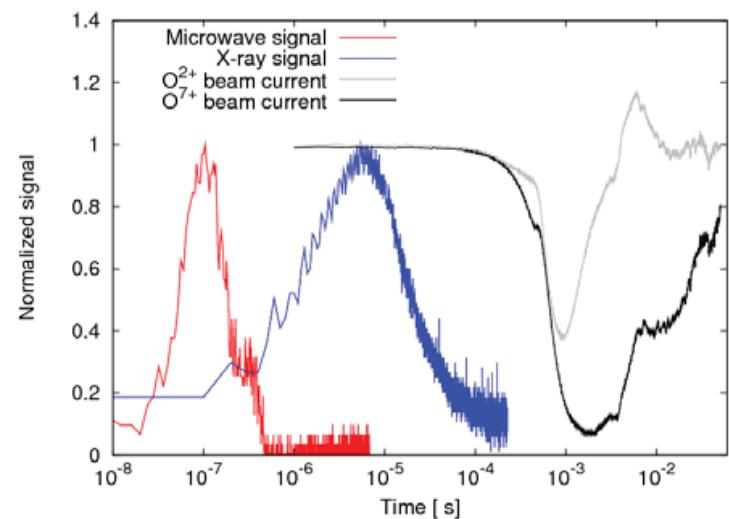
IV. Discussion

□ Electron cyclotron instabilities threshold

➤ Threshold between stable and unstable regimes



➤ Diagnostic Signals



O. Tarvainen, et al., Rev. Sci. Instrum. 87 (2016)

□ Research aim of this study

Effects of other magnetic field parameters (**mirror ratio**、**radial field** ..) on electron cyclotron instabilities

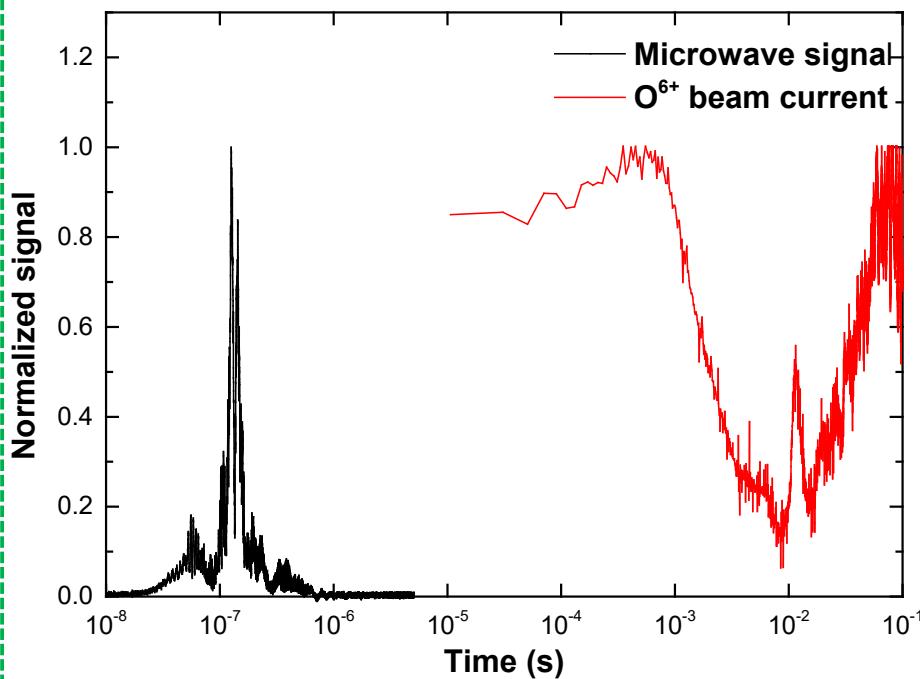
Experimental setup

Source parameters

Beam	Oxygen
Frequency (GHz)	18
Power (W)	1000
Extraction Voltage (kV)	15
Biased Disk Voltage (-V)	10~60
Injection Pressure (mbar)	$1\sim 2 \times 10^{-7}$

Note: we do not optimize beam current at each data point, just tuning the gas injection and biased disk voltage to make ion source stable (long-term)

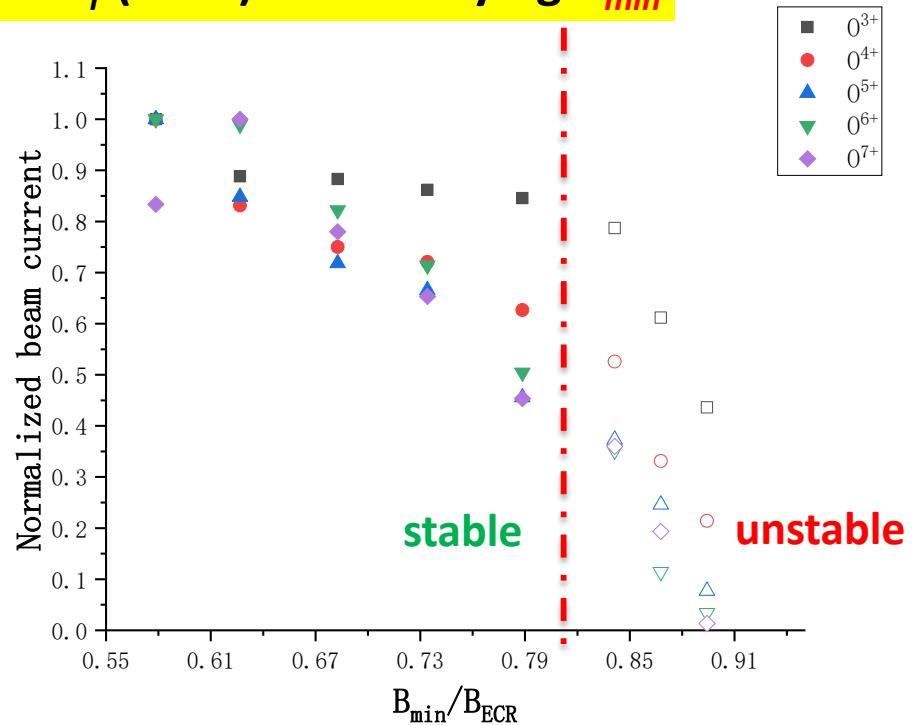
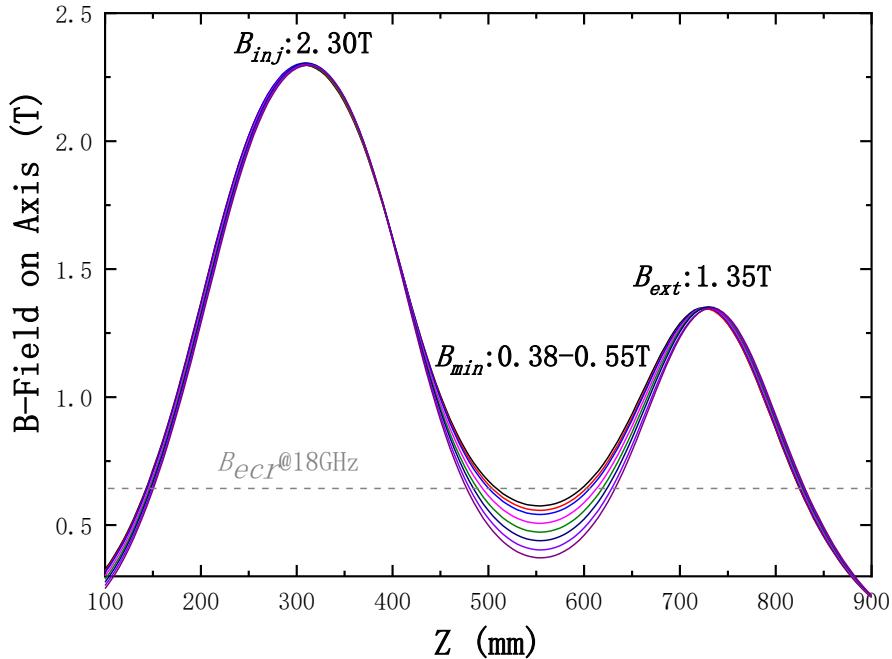
Typical microwave emission and beam current signals on **SECRAL-II** when electron cyclotron instability is triggered



The microwave detection setup can be found in J. Li's presentation (1122)

Experimental results

Part 1- constant B_{inj} , B_{ext} and B_r (1.1 T) while varying B_{min}

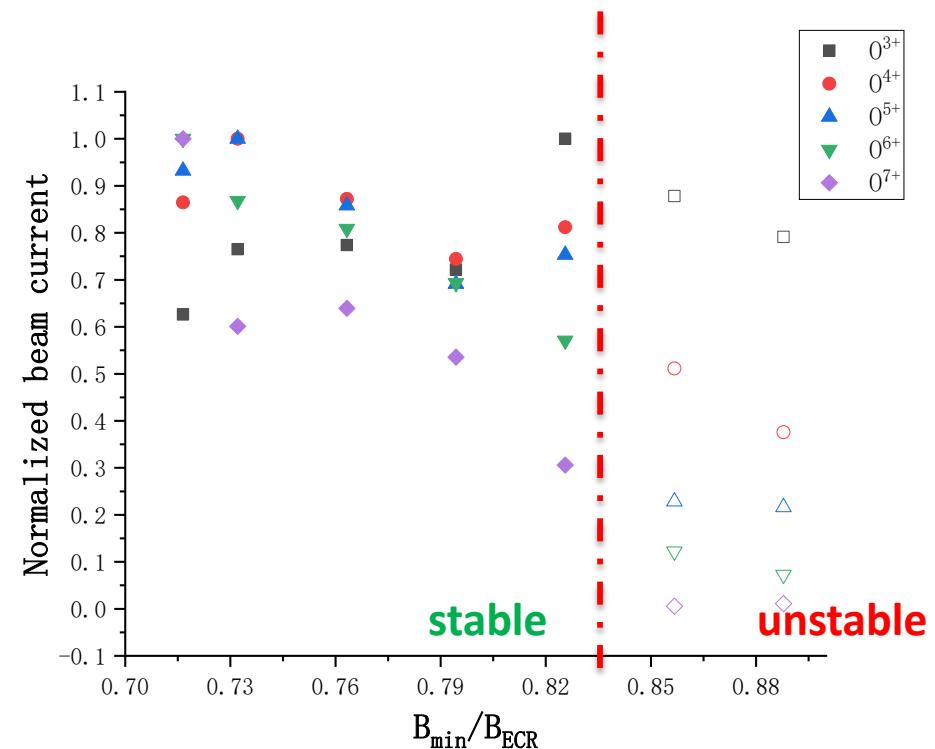
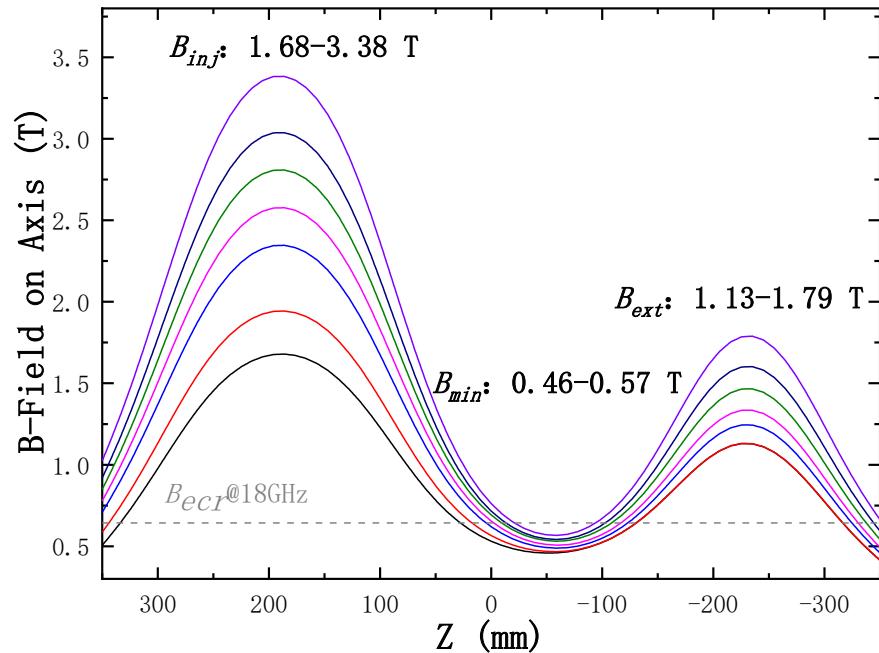


Note: beam normalization is carried out independently for each charge state and open symbols correspond to instability regime



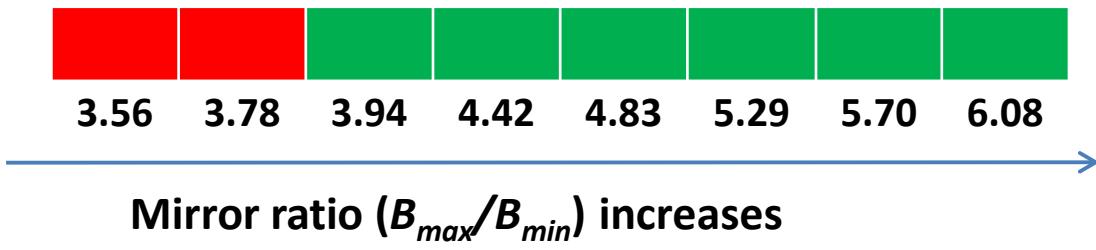
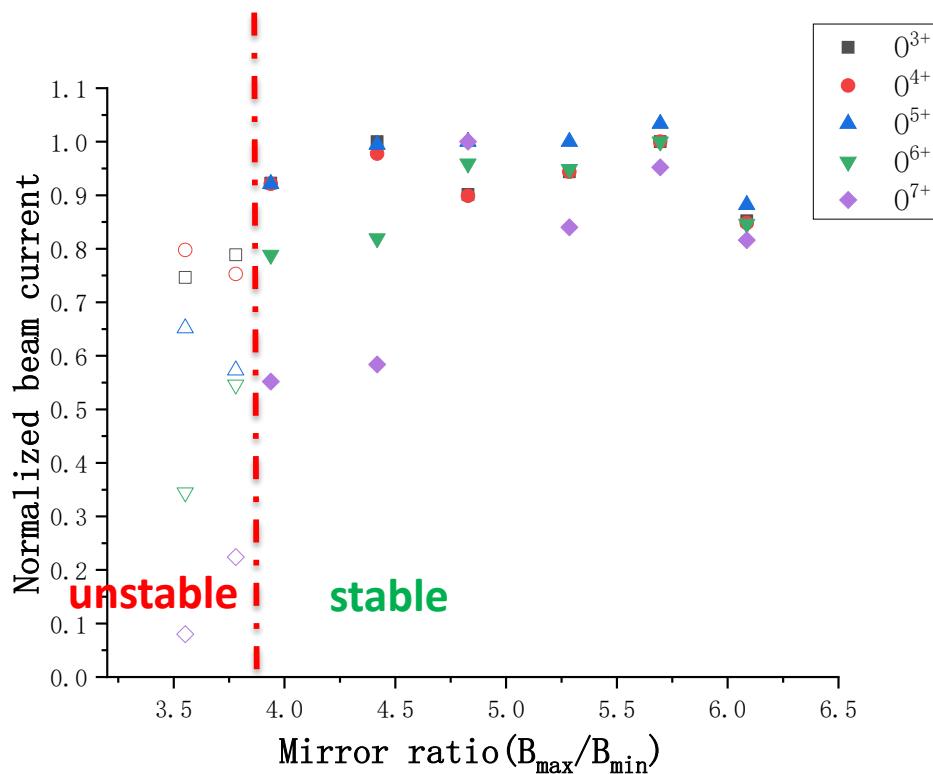
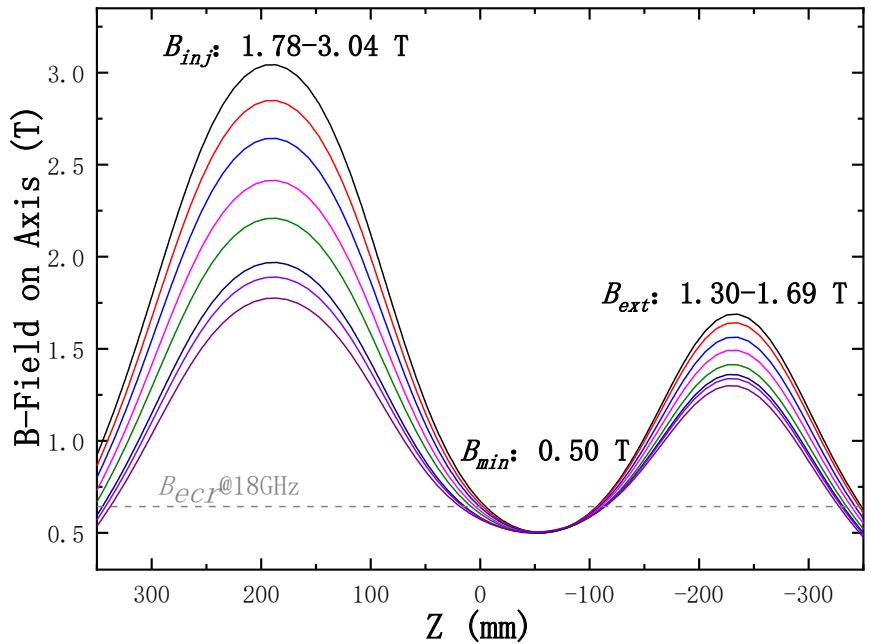
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Part 2- constant on axis gradient ($\sim 4.5 \text{ T/m}$) and B_r (1.1 T) while varying B_{min}



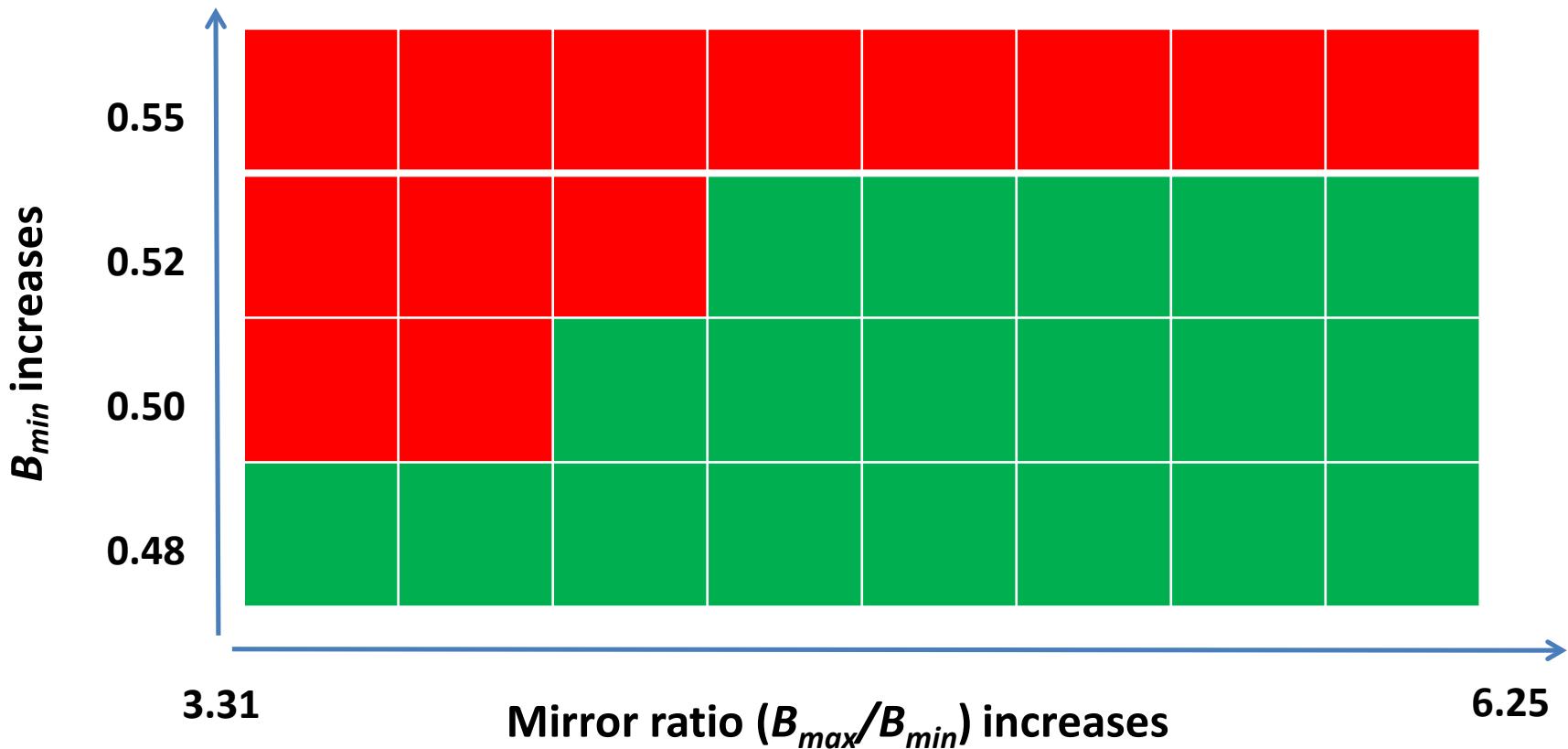
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Part 3- constant B_{min} (0.50 T) and B_r (1.1 T) while varying mirror ratio (i.e. B_{inj} and B_{ext})



Experimental results

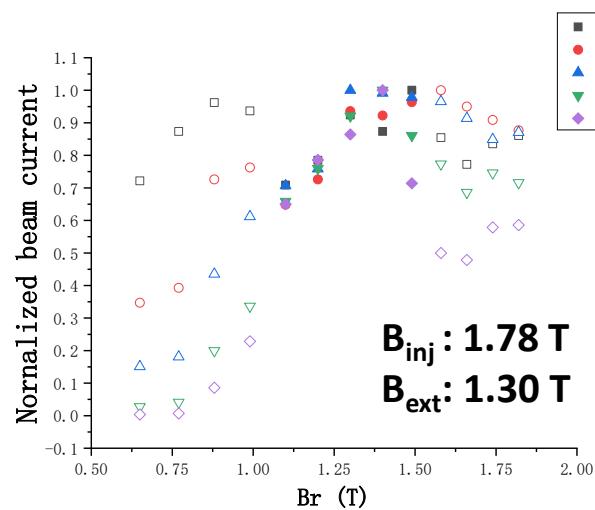
Summary: constant B_{min} and B_r while varying mirror ratio (i.e. B_{inj} and B_{ext})



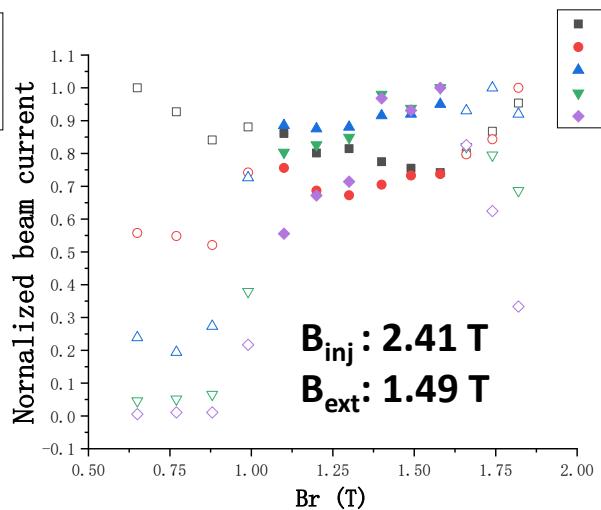
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B_{min} : 0.50 T

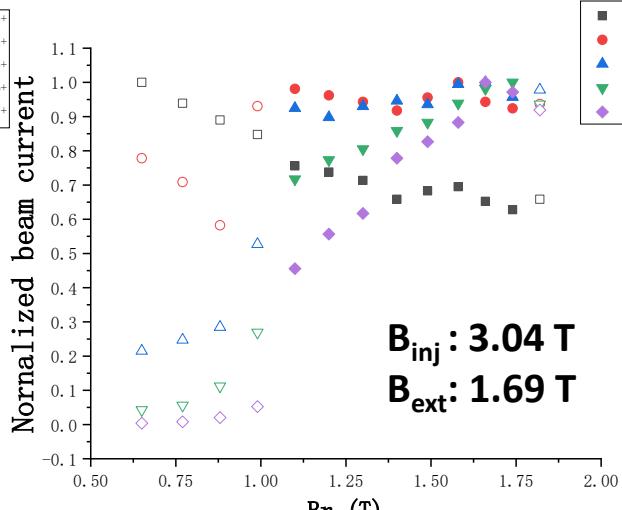
Part 4 - constant axial magnetic fields while varying B_r



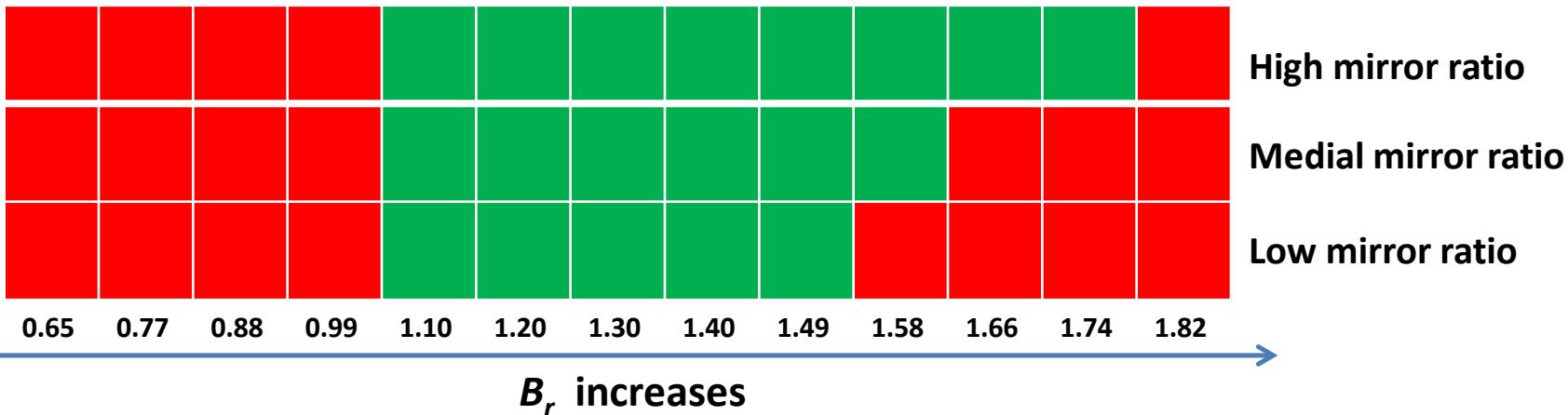
a. Low mirror ratio



b. Medial mirror ratio



c. High mirror ratio



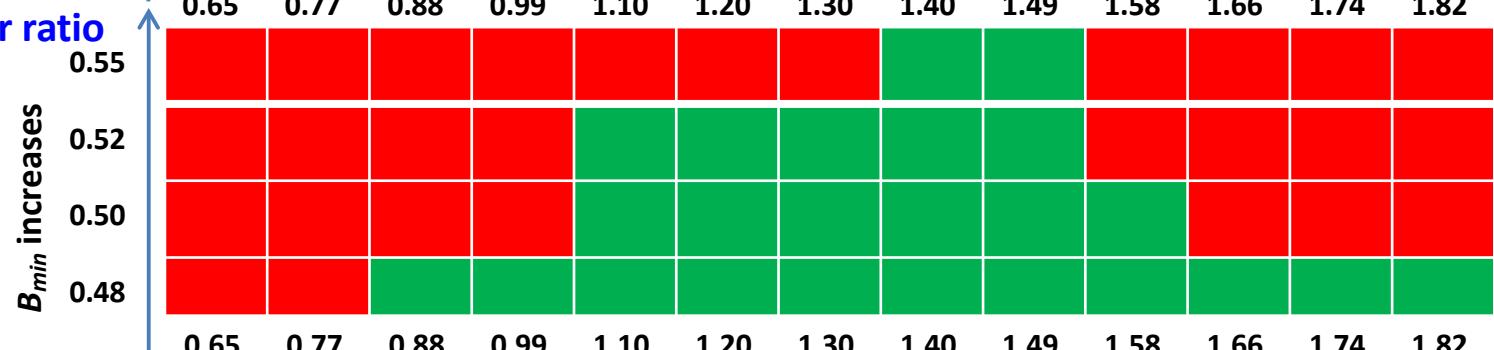
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Summary: constant axial magnetic fields while varying B_r

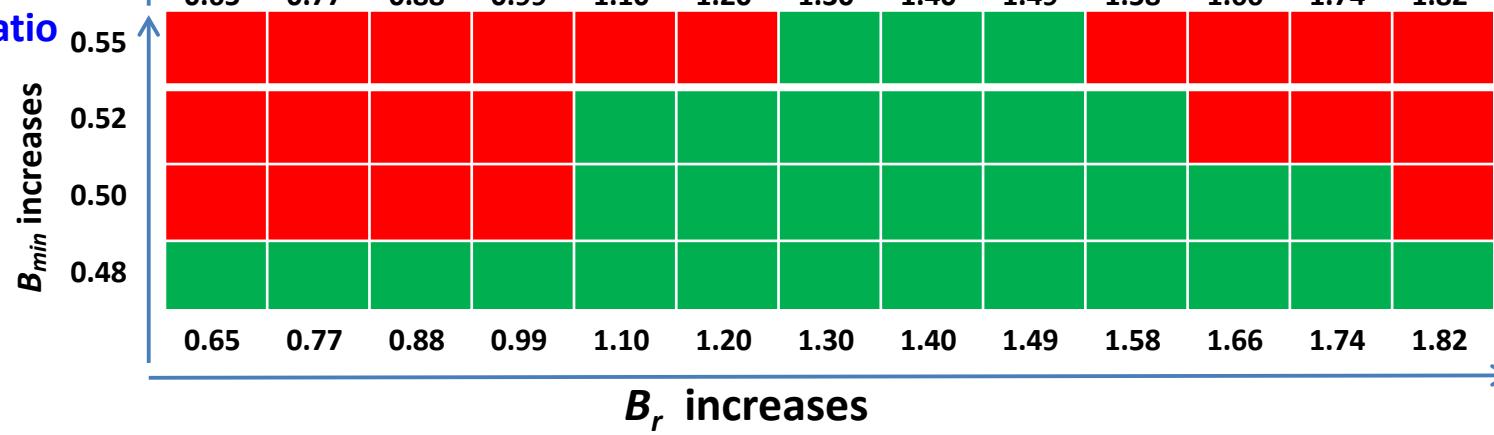
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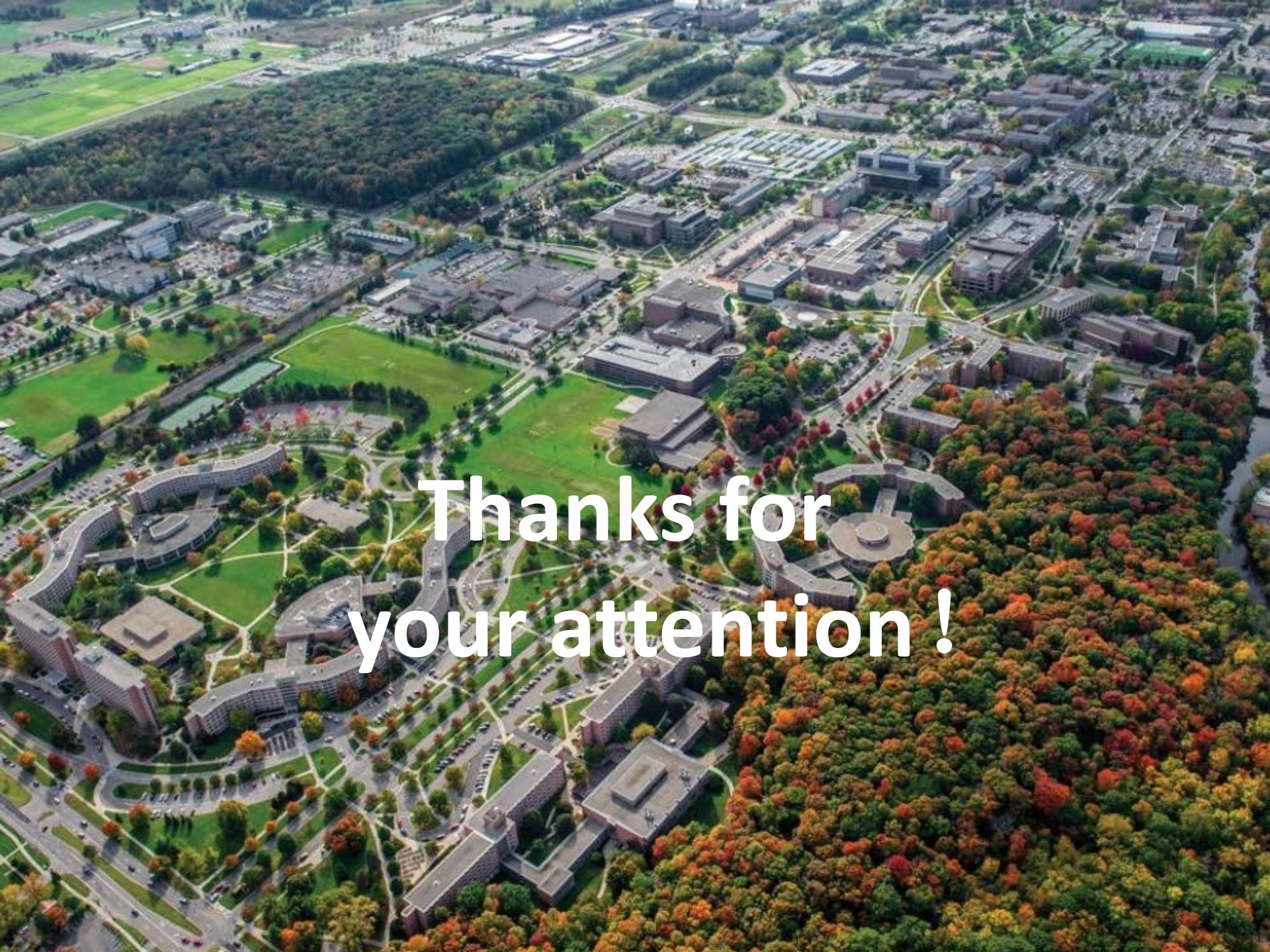


c. High mirror ratio



B_r increases

- B_{min} is the primary magnetic field parameter affecting the appearance of cyclotron instability, but not the only one; mirror ratio and radial field also affect the appearance of cyclotron instability;
- Effects of magnetic configuration on electron cyclotron instability may provide a physical explanation for the semiempirical magnetic field scaling laws of ECRIS;
- The trigger of cyclotron instability maybe a combined effect of many magnetic field parameters, further analyses are needed to reveal the inherent link between these parameters and plasma heating ($\langle \nabla B_{ecr} \rangle$) as well as confinement.

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 foreground, there is a dense area of trees with orange, red, and yellow foliage. The overall scene is a well-maintained urban environment.

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