

Solid Absorber Status

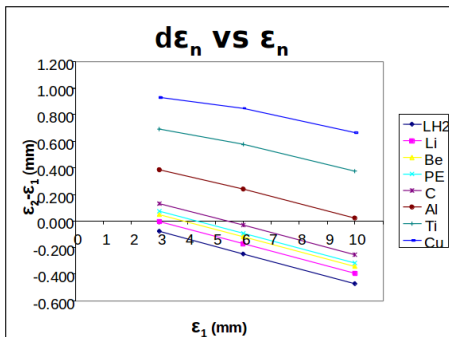
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- LH₂ absorber and no absorber cases are discussed elsewhere.
- Solid absorbers.
- Solid absorber support.
- Wedge absorber support.
- Run schedule is discussed on Friday.

- Measure equilibrium emittance.
- Test different materials [...that occur in the Neutrino Factory].
- Check cooling formula under a variety of conditions (different emittances, momenta, flip/non-flip solenoid optics).
- Test hardware/software.

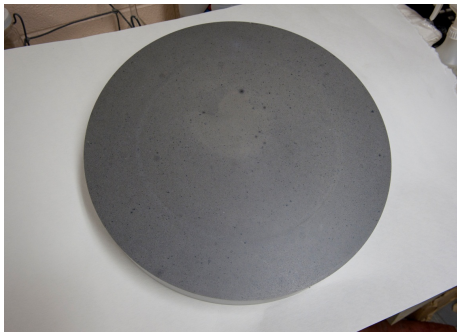
- Materials should be available/benign, with enough range in Z .
- At least one absorber should be studied in detail, equilibrium emittance for others.



- Materials up to $Z \sim 12$ both cool and heat.
- Al ($Z = 13$) and above will heat even a 10 mm beam.
- Be behaves similar to Polyethylene, PE is readily available.
- Ti and Cu are too heavy to give useful measurement of equilibrium emittance.
- Last time (CM29): suggested LH2, LiH, Al and C or PE.
- Material thickness corresponds to energy loss of 10 MeV.

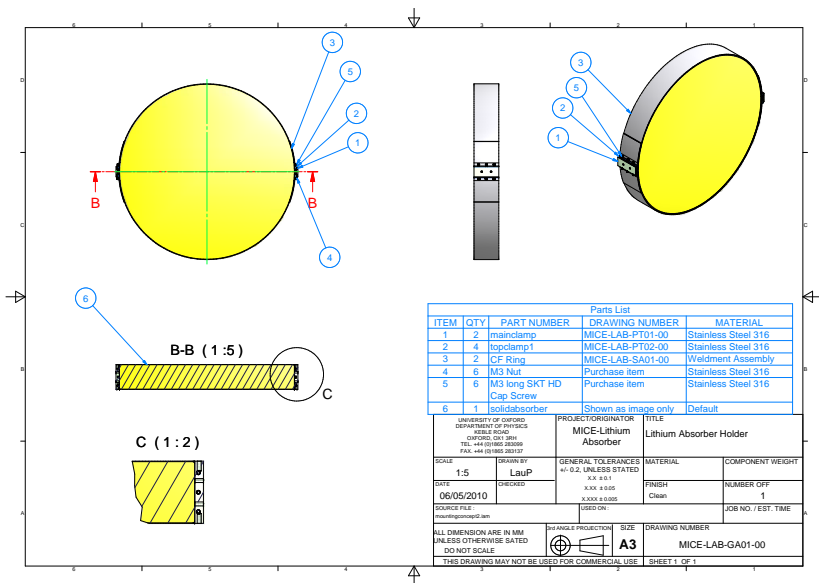
- LiH (both flat and wedge) will be studied in detail.
- There will be no separate study for Al (presumably, will be studied with empty LH2 absorber).
- It is suggested to use Cu or Ti instead of Al (discouraged at CM29).
- Two solid absorbers per ISIS run.
- Hence (AB, MICE PB report):
 - The envisioned full program of measurements: Liq H₂, empty absorbers, no absorber at all, LiH (flat and wedge), for the minimum program.
 - Plastic, Copper, Titanium and Liquid Helium could be considered with lesser priority.
 - Step IV measurements span at least three periods for the minimum program, and can span over a full year with useful but of lesser priority measurements.
 - In case of timely delivery of the first RFCC module, step V would receive priority.

Flat LiH absorber and support

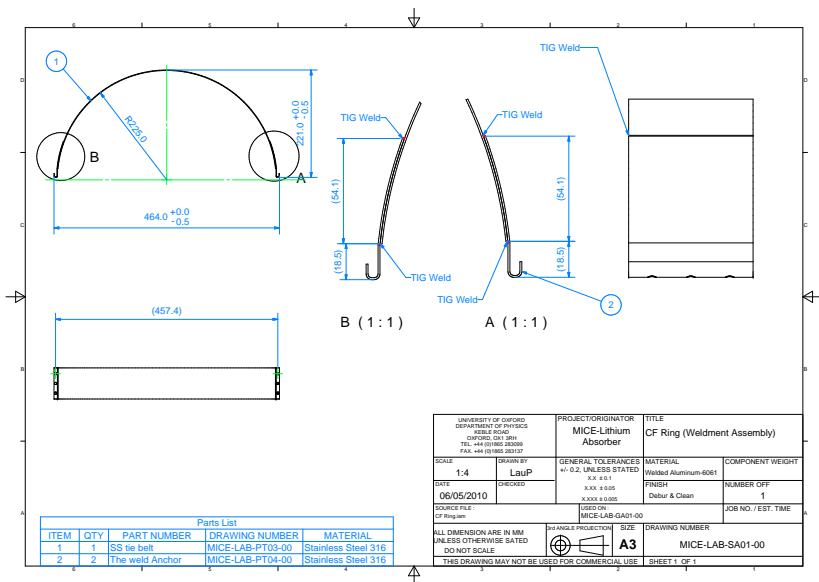


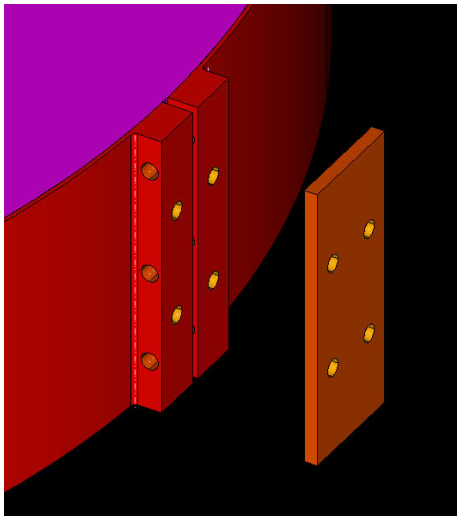
- Flat LiH absorber is complete and coated, inspection is complete at Y12. No firm date when it will be shipped to Fermilab.
- We need to decide on the other flat absorbers in order to have them ready by the time they are needed.
- LiH absorber support will be suitable for other absorbers as well, independent of the thickness of the absorber.

Flat absorber support



Support issue



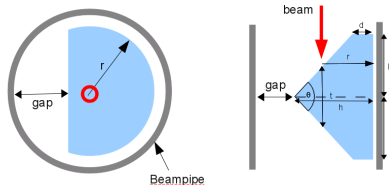


- Previous slide shows one part of the support ring is bent.
- Another design has been proposed that does not involve bending (CM Lei).
- Discussing/finalizing during this meeting.
- The support structure will be fabricated in the UK (Wing Lau), the coated absorber will be sent from Y12.

- Time permitting: most likely PE and Cu(?) or Ti(?) (decide on the materials once and for all, decide who fabricates the absorbers).
- Support ring is the same as for the LiH absorber (assuming the radius is the same).
- Multiple rings should be fabricated and mounted on the corresponding absorbers ahead of time.

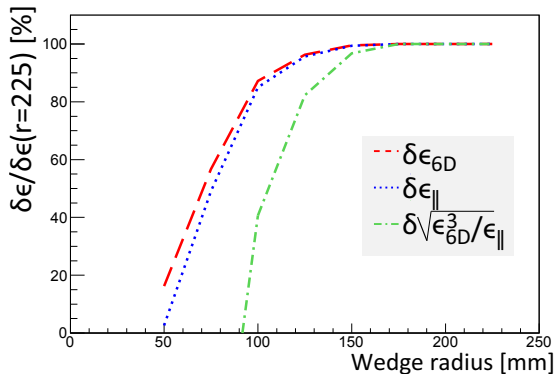
Wedge LiH absorber and support

Wedge absorber



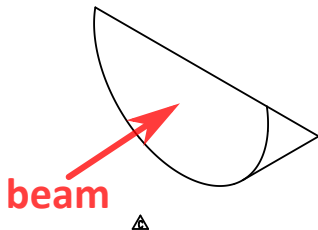
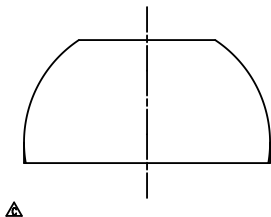
- By replacing a flat absorber with a solid (LiH) wedge absorber emittance exchange will be demonstrated.
- The beam needs to be properly matched (dispersion is introduced by particle selection).
- Opening angle of the wedge is limited by the size of the gap between the apex of the wedge and the beampipe (part of the beam that misses the wedge).
- Wedge radius has recently been reduced from 225 mm to 160 mm. Studies show such reduction does not affect the performance of the wedge.
- Support structure design is being discussed and updated.

Wedge radius reduction

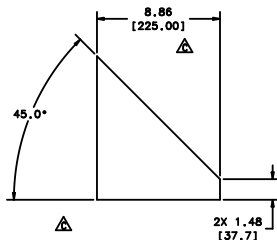
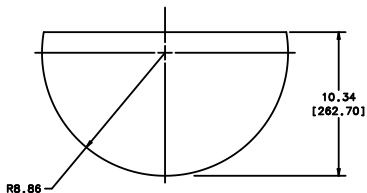


- Emittance reduction vs wedge absorber radius is shown.
- If the wedge radius is 160 mm or larger, emittance reduction is the same as for 225 mm in the original design.

OLD wedge engineering drawing

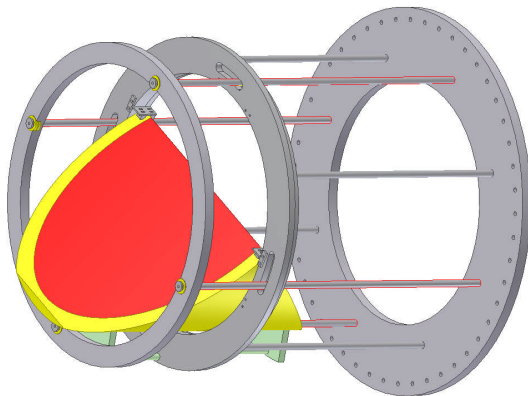


ISOMETRIC VIEW

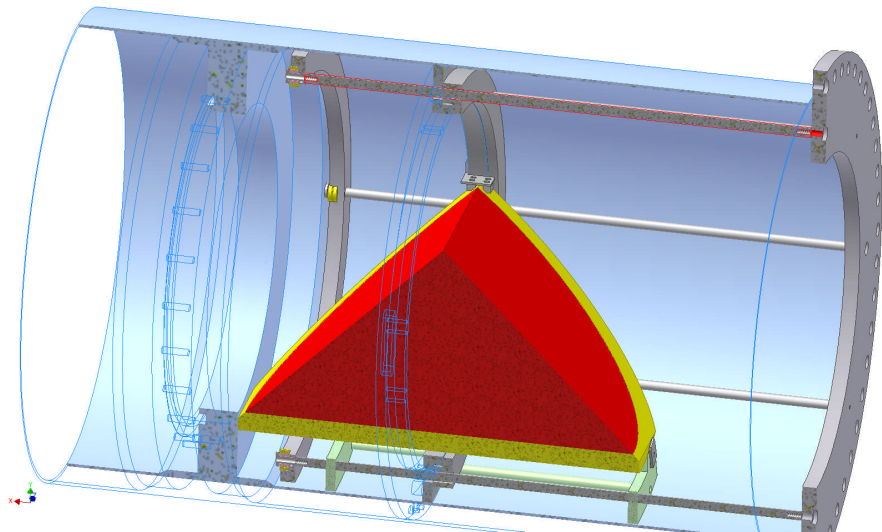


Wedge support design effort

Red: LiH wedge; yellow: part of the support used for clamping.



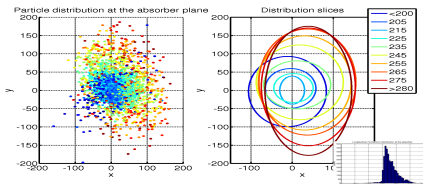
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- The support shown in the last two slides was designed with free rotation in mind.
- Since we do not need the ability to continuously rotate the wedge around the beam axis, the design can be simplified substantially.
- The wedge can still be rotated through discrete angle by bolting it to the upstream flange in different orientations.
- No gluing of the wedge to the support structure will be required (was part of the old design).
- The new design should allow for 45° half wedge mounting.

- The flat absorber support design is being revisited/updated.
- The wedge absorber support design is underway.
- Need to decide what are the “other” materials we use, and who fabricates what.
- Regular solid absorber phone meetings are held to discuss any outstanding questions (let me know if you want to be added to the mailing list).



- Dispersion of the beam is predominantly in the horizontal direction, $D_x \approx 200$ mm.
- Calculated wedge opening angle (assuming 12 MeV energy loss on the beam axis and no loss at the wedge apex) is 150° for $p = 200$ MeV/c.

- Wedges with large opening angles are hard:
 - large part of the beam misses the wedge completely;
 - wedge edges need to be cut off to make it fit the AFC.
- Hence, the opening angle was limited.
- Beam parameters: 3 momenta, 3 emittances, flip/non-flip.
- Need time to gather data in all the different configurations for both flat and wedge absorbers.