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# Finite Element Methods for the Thermo-mechanical analysis of the Phase I Collimators

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Collimators and  
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# Collimator Main Features

**Overall length: 1480mm**  
**Tank width: 260mm**

Actuation  
system

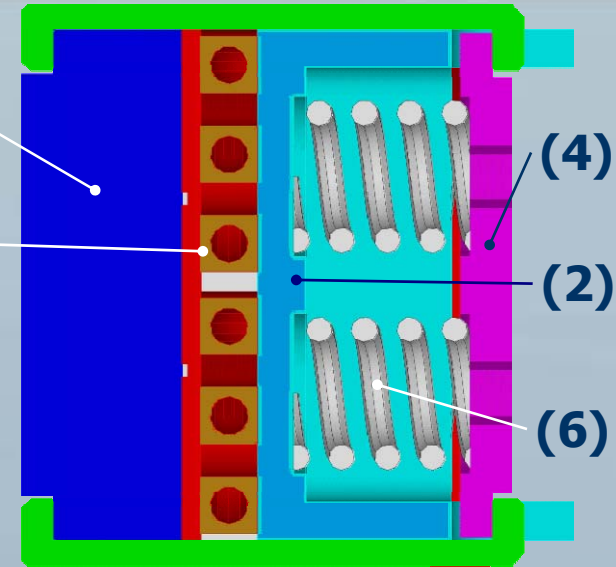
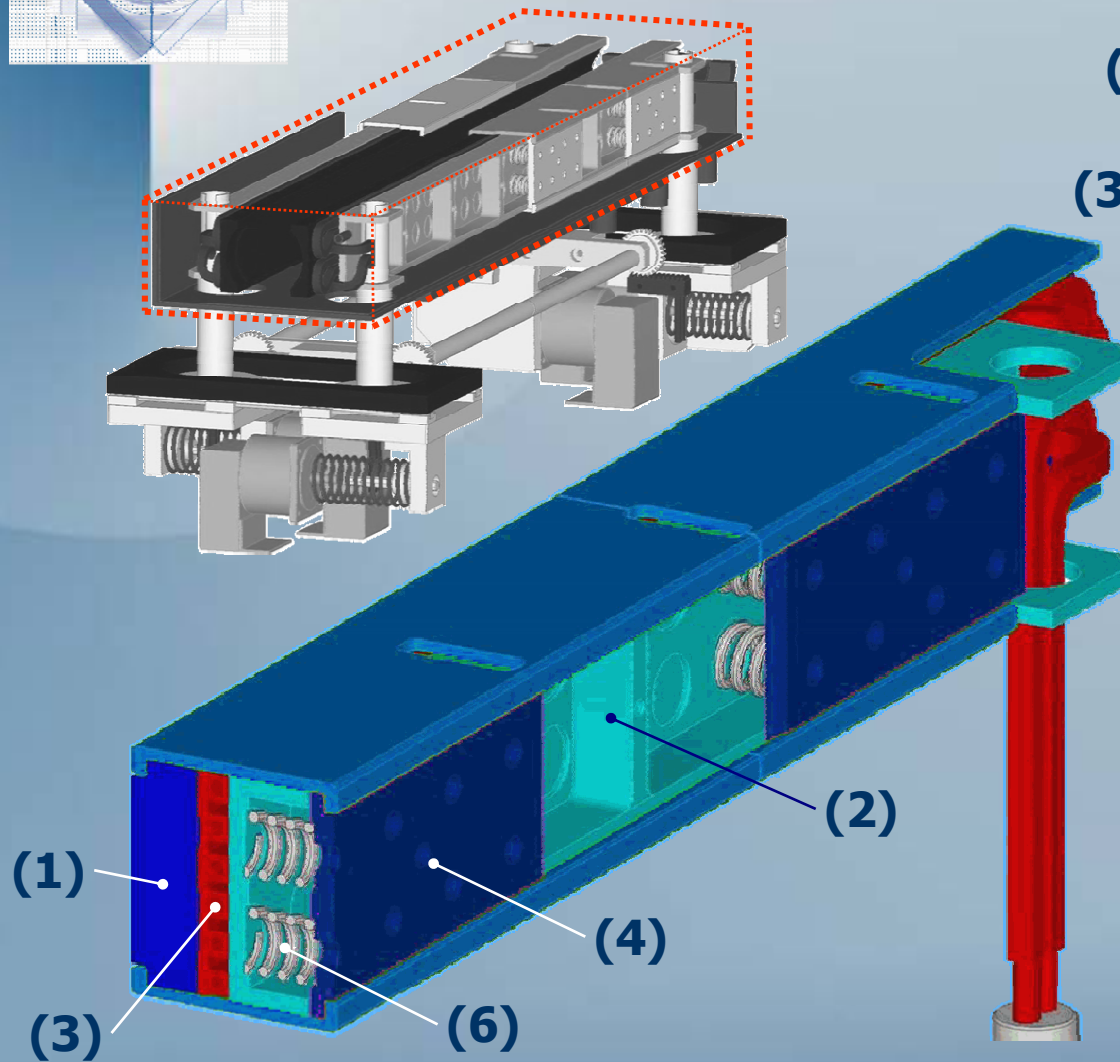
Collimator  
assembly

Collimator tank

**Beam axis**

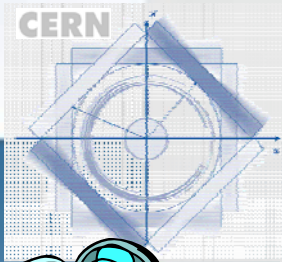


# Collimator Main Features



**Jaw Bloc Assembly**

- (1) Collimating Jaw (C/C composite)
- (2) Main support beam (Glidcop)
- (3) Cooling-circuit (Cu-Ni pipes)
- (4) Counter-plates (Stainless steel)
- (5) Clamping plates (Glidcop)
- (6) Preloaded springs (Stainless steel)



# Objectives of the Thermo-structural analyses



- Verify heat loads are effectively evacuated without attaining excessive temperatures



- Verify that good thermal contact between C/C jaw and metal support is ensured



- Verify that thermal deformations are kept to a minimum in steady-state and transient regimes



- Verify the jaw and metal support survive to thermal shocks (⇒ See also A. Dallochio's talk)

To meet all these requirements, given the complexity of the design and physics (coupled analysis, contacts, preloads, convection, thermal loads etc.), a general use, comprehensive F.E. code was required ⇒

**Ansys Multiphysics**



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# Application of Thermal Loads

5-columns,  
sequentially swept,  
Fluka input file

- Step1 Thermal load from Fluka files (GeV/cm<sup>3</sup>/p) are imported in Mathcad, rearranged and organized in a 3D matrix (XYZ) via a dedicated algorithm
- Step2 2D matrices (XY) at relevant longitudinal stations are extracted

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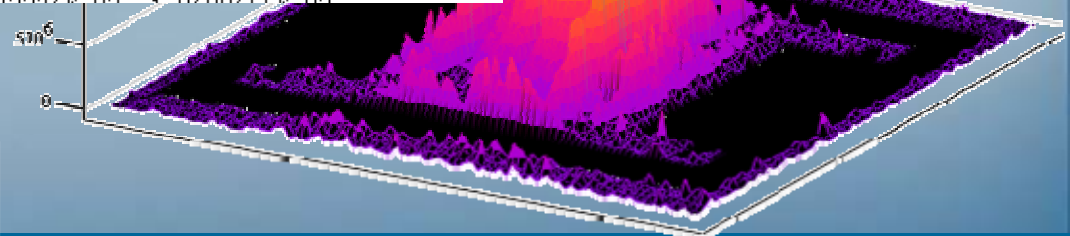
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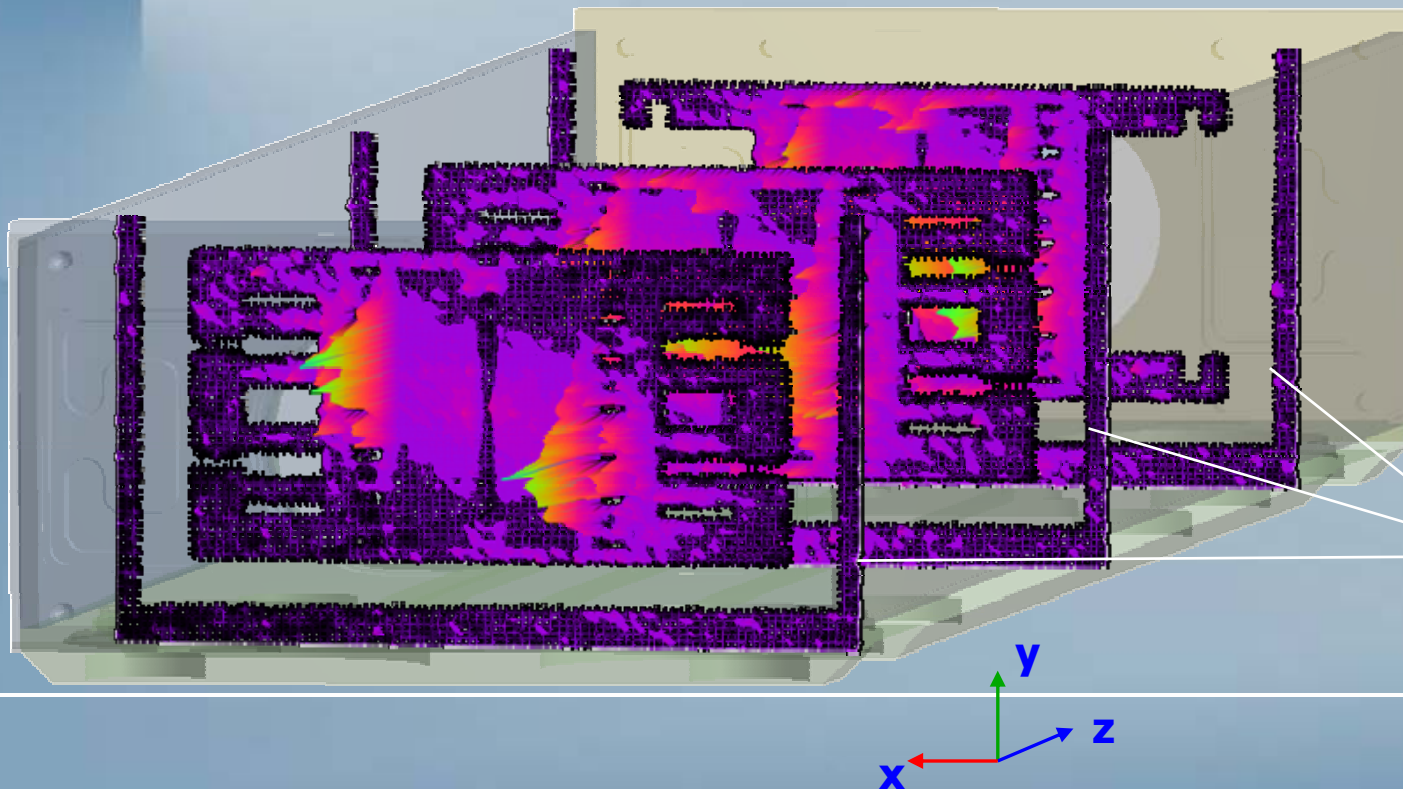
Fluka) at a  
given longitudinal  
coordinate  
(z=1000 mm)





# Application of Thermal Loads

**Step 3** These 2D matrices (for each station) are read into ANSYS as a 3D table and applied to the FEM model as Internal Heat Generation. Ansys then linearly interpolates values between each station.



ANSYS linearly interpolates heat loads between matrices in longitudinal direction





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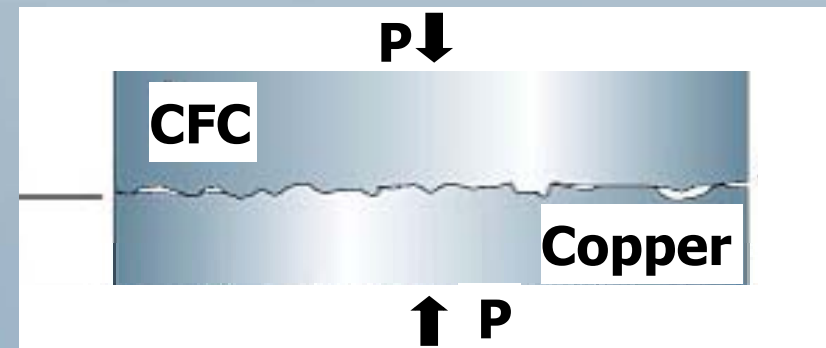
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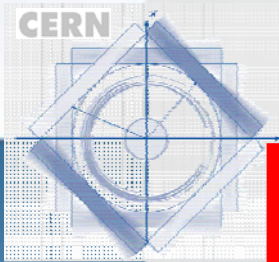
A **fully coupled thermal/structural analysis** (i.e. the simultaneous resolution of temperature and displacement fields) is required since pressed-contact thermal conductance depends on contact pressure, which in turn varies with deformations .

$$h_c(P) = 1.49 \frac{k_s \Delta_a}{R_q} \left( \frac{2.3P}{E_G \Delta_a} \right)^{0.935}$$

Equation relating thermal conductance  $h$  to Pressure  $P$

**This relation, implemented in Ansys FE model, has been experimentally validated**



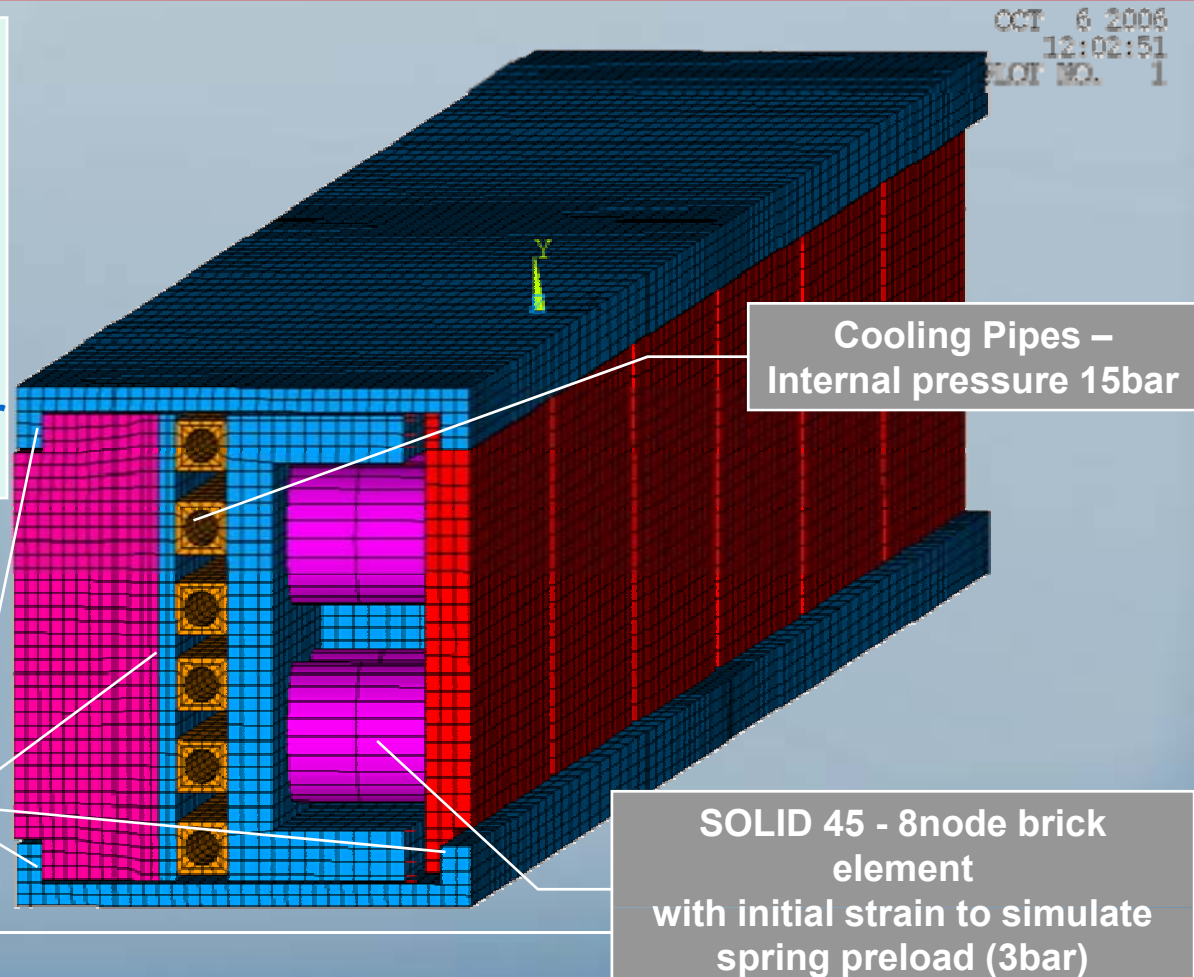


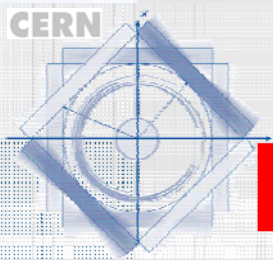
# Thermo-mechanical analysis

Finite Element Model for 3-D Coupled Thermal-Structural Analysis  
Steady-state (L.C. 1) and Slow-transient (L.C. 2)

- D.O.F.:  $u_x$ ,  $u_y$ ,  $u_z$ ,  $T$
- SOLID5 - 8node Coupled Elements ~70000nodes
- Linear elastic materials with temperature-dependent properties
- 3-D linear orthotropic model for C-C jaw

- 3D Contact elements: CONTA173 - TARGET170 d.o.f.:  $u_x$ ,  $u_y$ ,  $u_z$ ,  $T$
- Lagrange and penalty method (for precision and convergence)
- Contact Friction taken into account
- Thermal contact conductance  $h$  function of contact pressure  $P$





# Thermo-mechanical analysis

Finite Element Model for 3-D Coupled Thermal-Structural Analysis

Temperature - dependent  
material properties

Convection  
( $12360 \text{ W/m}^2/\text{K}$ ) + inlet  
temp. ( $27^\circ\text{C}$ )

Deposited Heat Map  
( $\text{W/m}^3$ ) as interpolated  
by Ansys from 3D  
Table

Simply supported  
extremities

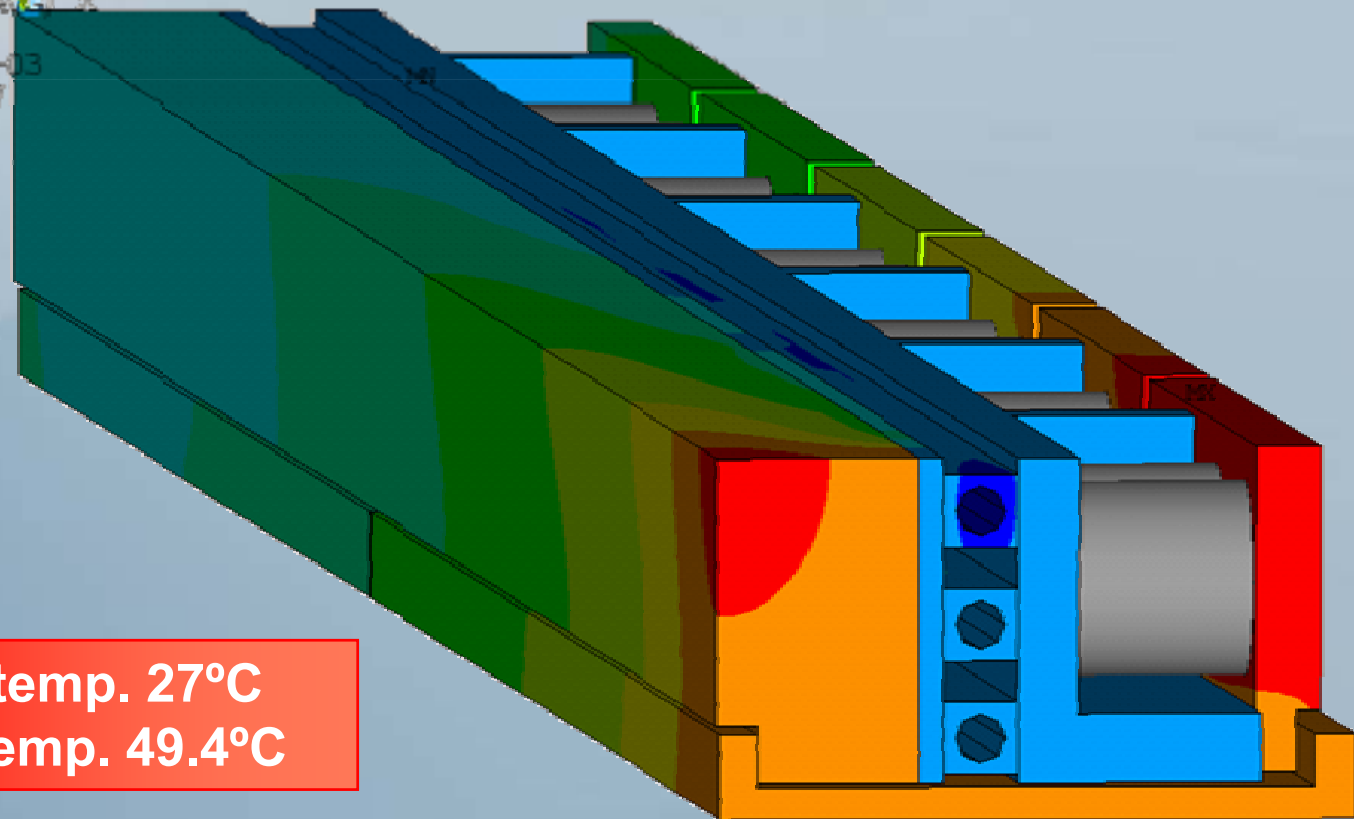




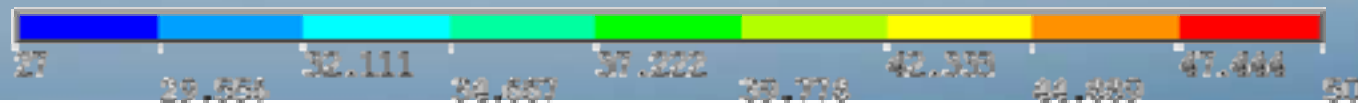
# Thermo-mechanical analysis

Thermal analysis – Load Case 1 (Nominal conditions) –  
Steady state – Loss rate  $8 \times 10^{10}$  p/s – 4.5kW (Beam Lifetime 1h)

TEMP (K)  
RSTG=0  
DMX = .119E-03  
SMX = 49.357



Initial temp. 27°C  
Max. temp. 49.4°C





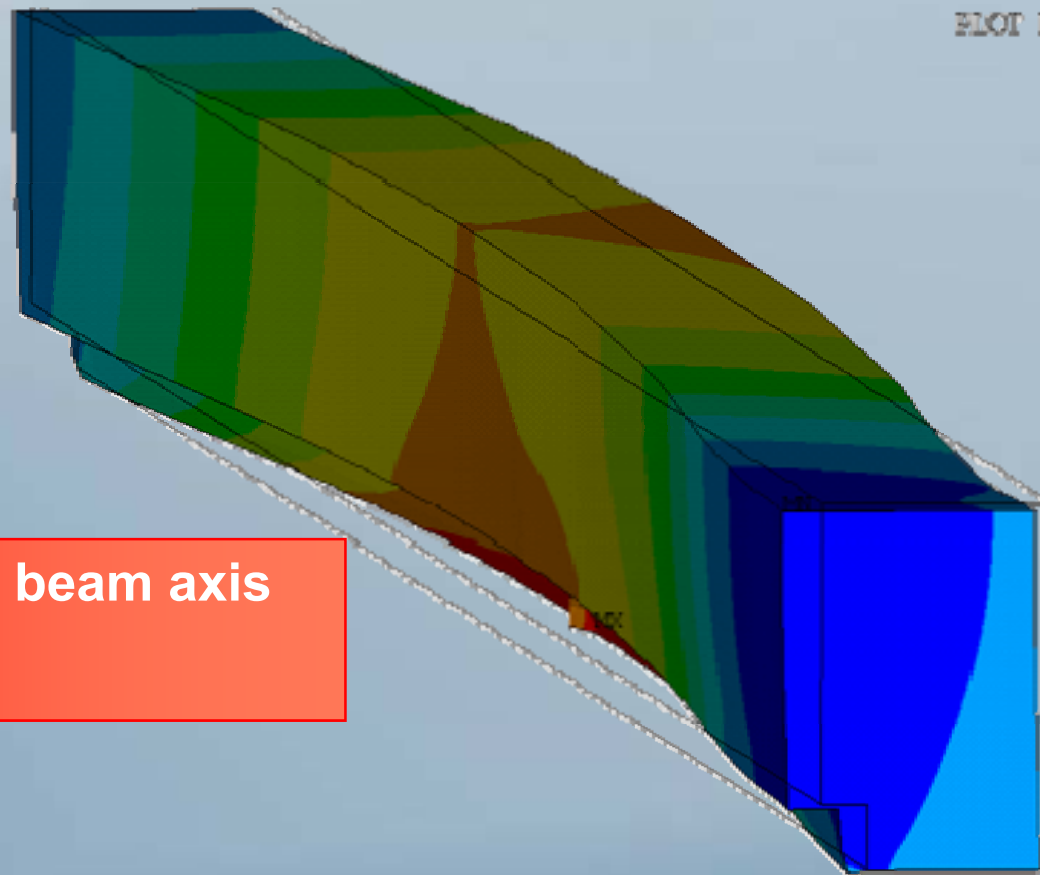


# Thermo-mechanical analysis

Displacement analysis – Load Case 1 (Nominal conditions) –  
Steady state – Loss rate  $8 \times 10^{10}$  p/s – 4.5kW (Beam Lifetime 1h)

SUB =1  
TIME=1  
UX (AVG)  
PSYS=0  
MAX =.419E-04  
MIN =-.103E-04  
SAX =.253E-04

PLOT NO. 1



Total deflection at beam axis

$$\delta_{\text{Max}} < 30\mu\text{m}$$

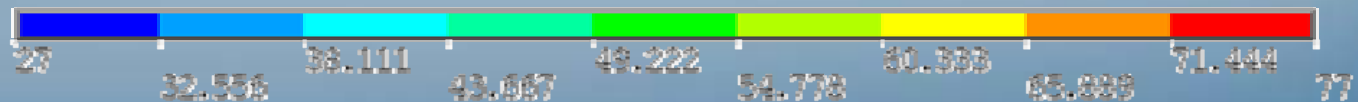


# Thermo-mechanical analysis

Thermal analysis – Load Case 2 (Nominal conditions) –  
10s Transient – Loss rate  $4 \times 10^{11}$  p/s - 22kW (Beam Lifetime 12min)

1. Quasi-static load step at L.C.1
2. 10ms transient ramp from L.C.1 to L.C.2 (20 sub-steps)
3. 10s transient analysis at L.C.2 (20 sub-steps)
4. 10ms transient ramp from L.C.2 to L.C.1 (20 sub-steps)
5. 20s transient analysis at L.C.1 (20 sub-steps)
6. Final quasi-static load step at L.C.1

Initial temp. from quasi-static  
analysis - Max. temp. after 10s 76.2°C



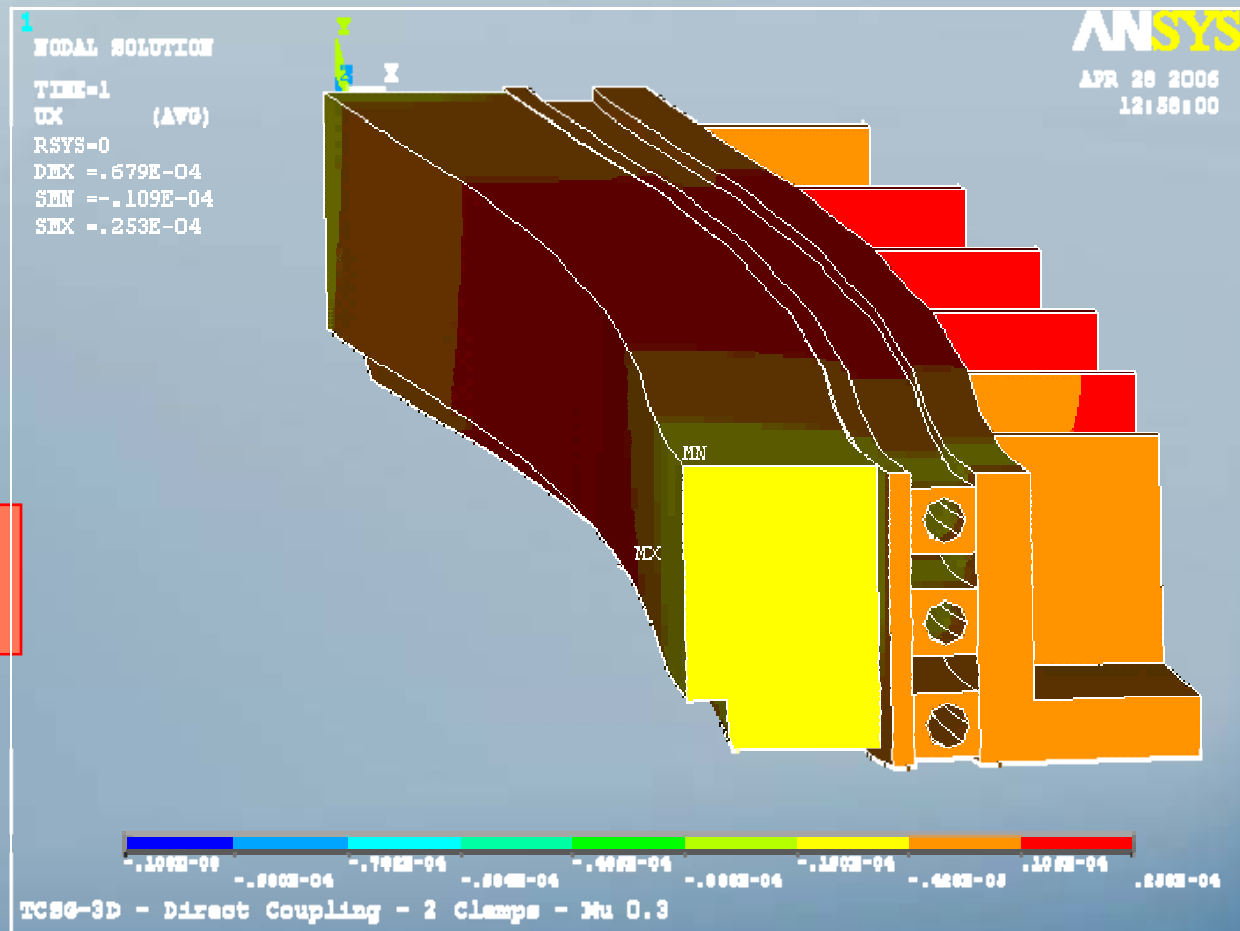
# Thermo-mechanical analysis

Displacement analysis – Nominal conditions – Load Case 2  
10s Transient – Loss rate  $4 \times 10^{11}$  p/s – 30kW (Beam Lifetime 12min)

Initial loss  $8 \times 10^{10}$  p/s  
Max. deflect.  $\sim 20 \mu\text{m}$

Transient loss  
 $4 \times 10^{11}$  p/s during 10s

Max deflect.  $-108 \mu\text{m}$   
Back to  $8 \times 10^{10}$  p/s





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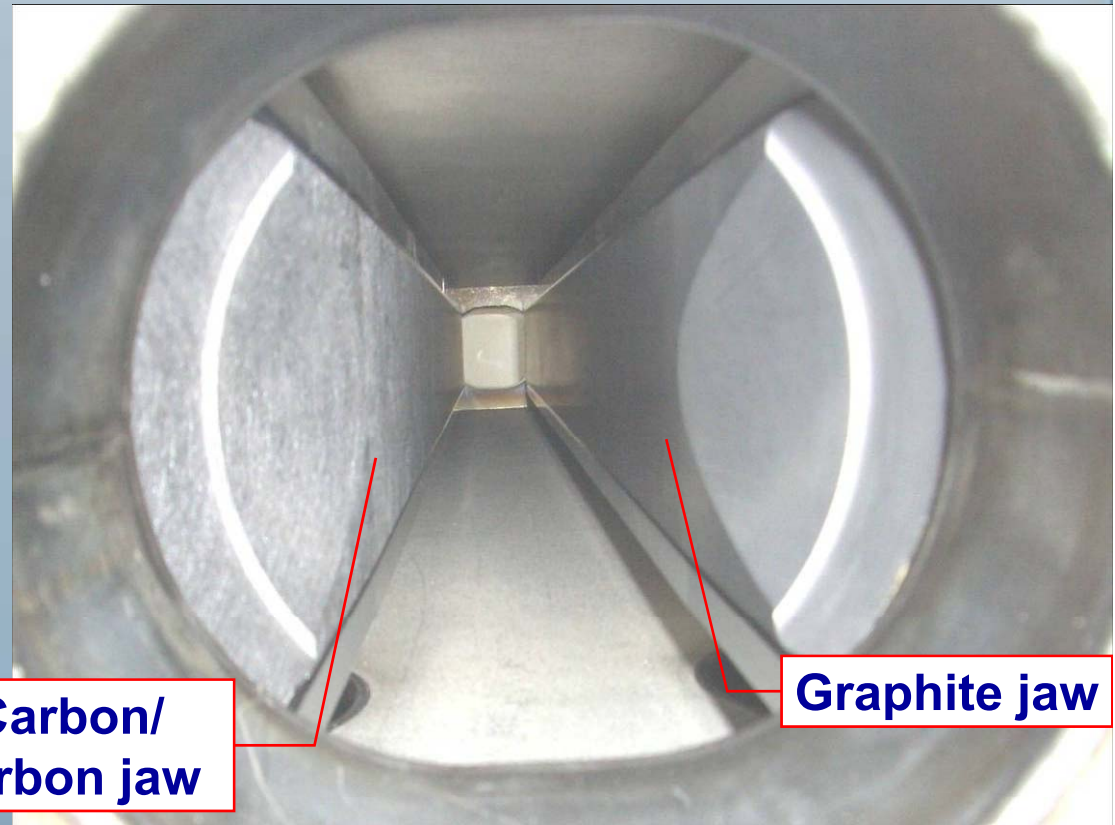
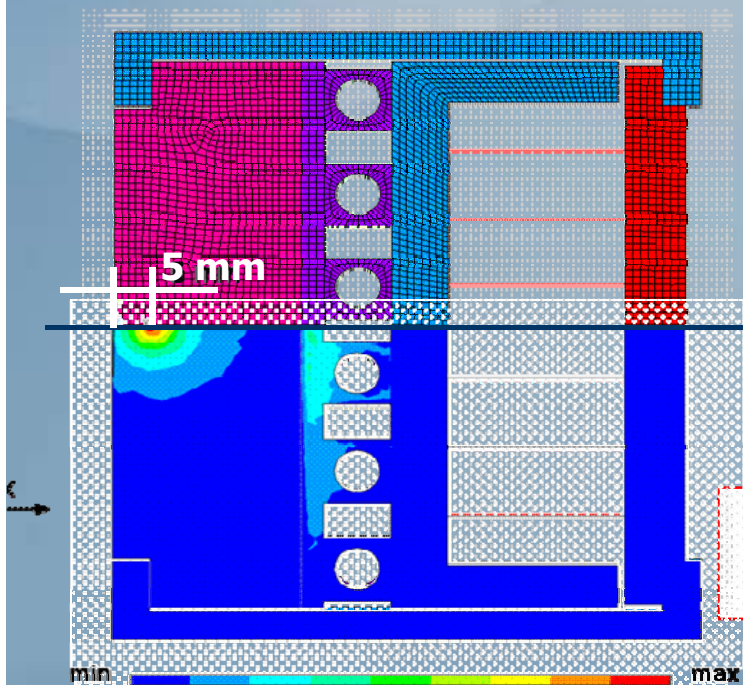
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# Simulation of Beam impact accidents

A fast-transient analyses are necessary to simulate accident scenarios: in particular 450 GeV Injection error test ...

5 full intensity shots ranging from  
1 to 5 mm,  $3.2 \times 10^{13}$  p,  $7.2 \mu\text{s}$  ...  
Each impact energy equivalent to  
more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  kg of TNT







# Sequential analysis

Can we perform these analysis with Ansys Multiphysics, an implicit-integration scheme Finite Element code?

- Ansys fully coupled thermal/structural analyses can only be performed in the linear elastic domain
- Numerical analyses in the elastic/plastic domain are necessary to simulate possible permanent deformation of metallic parts in case of accidents (as those found after 2004 Injection error test)

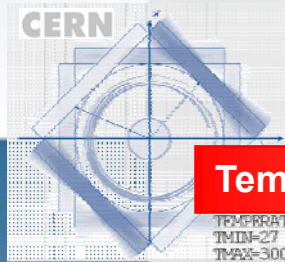
But ...

- Accident cases entail fast energy depositions (a few  $\mu s$  or less)
- Given the typical thermal diffusion times ( $\sim ms$  or more –  $\tau_{diff} = L^2/\kappa$ ), heat conduction plays a minor role in case of very short time-scale analyses.
- Hence, thermal and structural analyses can be decoupled and sequentially solved with Ansys Multiphysics

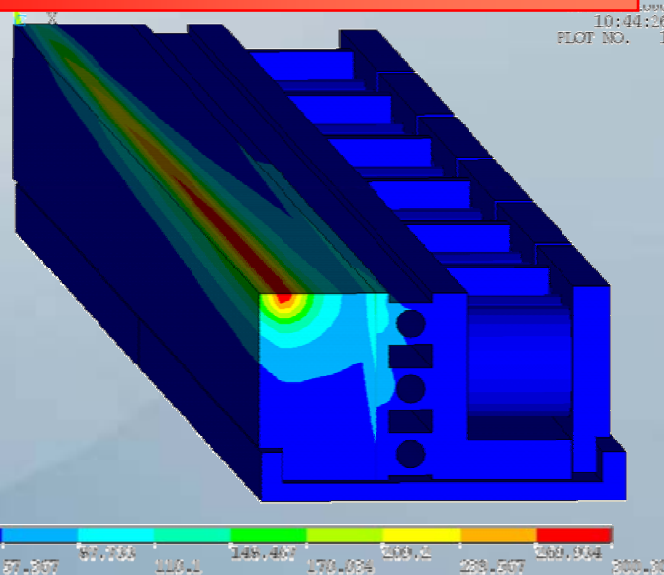
The price to pay ...

- Be patient ... very short time-steps ( $\Delta T < 0.9 L_{mesh}/c < 1 \mu s$ ), at each step inversion of the stiffness matrix  $\Rightarrow$  very long CPU times

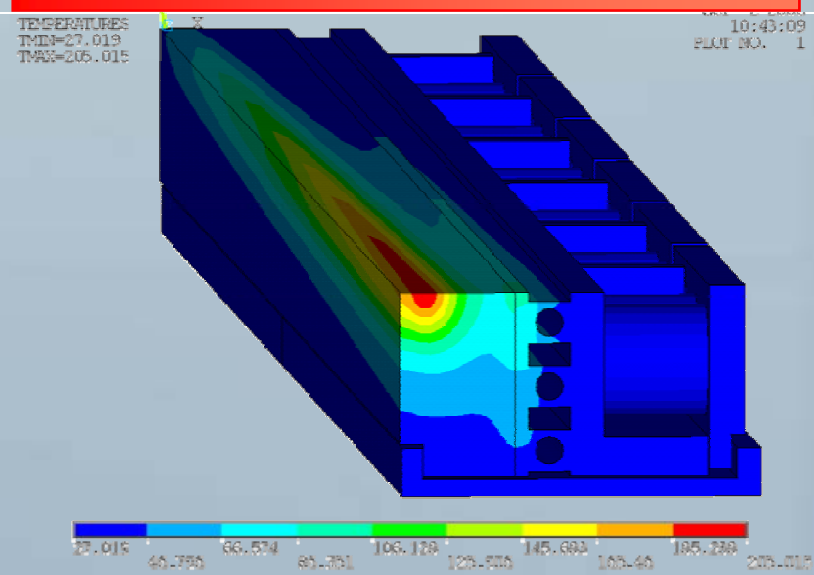
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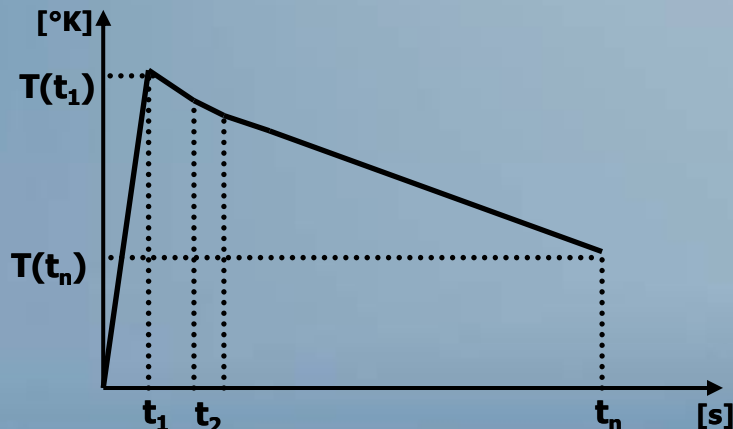
Temperature distribution at time  $t = 7.2\mu\text{s}$



Temperature distribution at time  $t = 60\text{ms}$



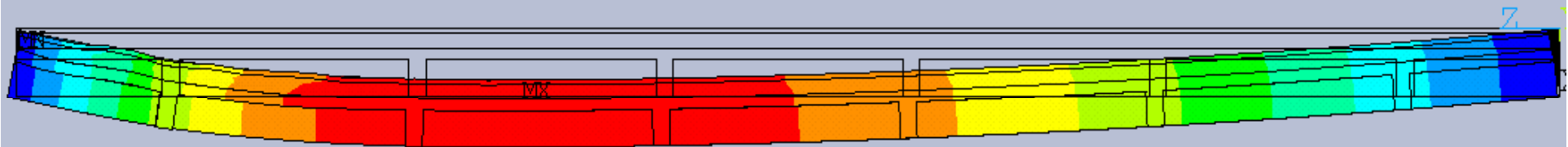
Temperature distribution as a function of time



- Temperature distributions from thermal analysis were applied at different sub-steps (time)
- Ansys linearly interpolates between sub-steps loads so quite closely following actual temperature evolution

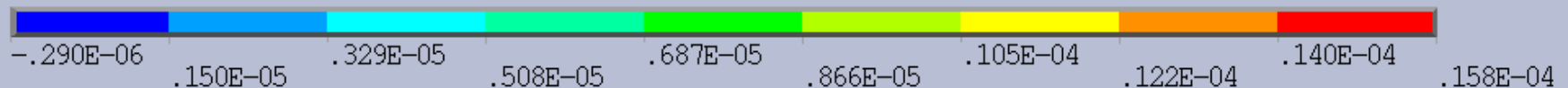
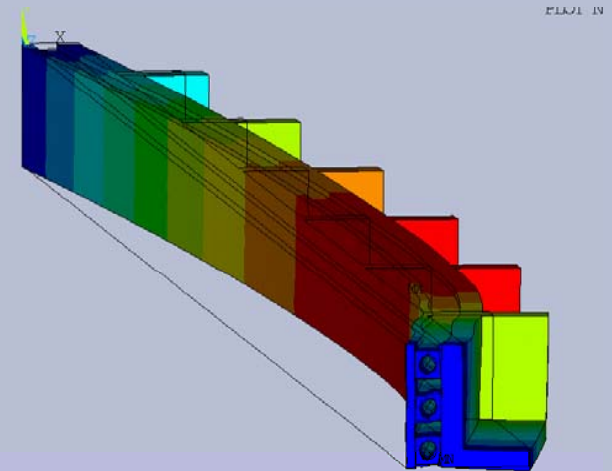
# Fast-transient structural analysis

**Collimator jaw oscillates several ms after the beam impact - *Thermally induced vibrations* have been fully studied with a 3D FE model in the elastic-plastic domain (see A. Dallochio's talk for more details)**



**A multilinear-kinematic hardening plasticity model was used for metals**

- Over a long time scale the dynamics effects (inertia) were turned off.
- A last static load step was necessary to calculate equilibrium between plastic residual stresses and elastic forces.
- Numerical results are in line with analytical prediction

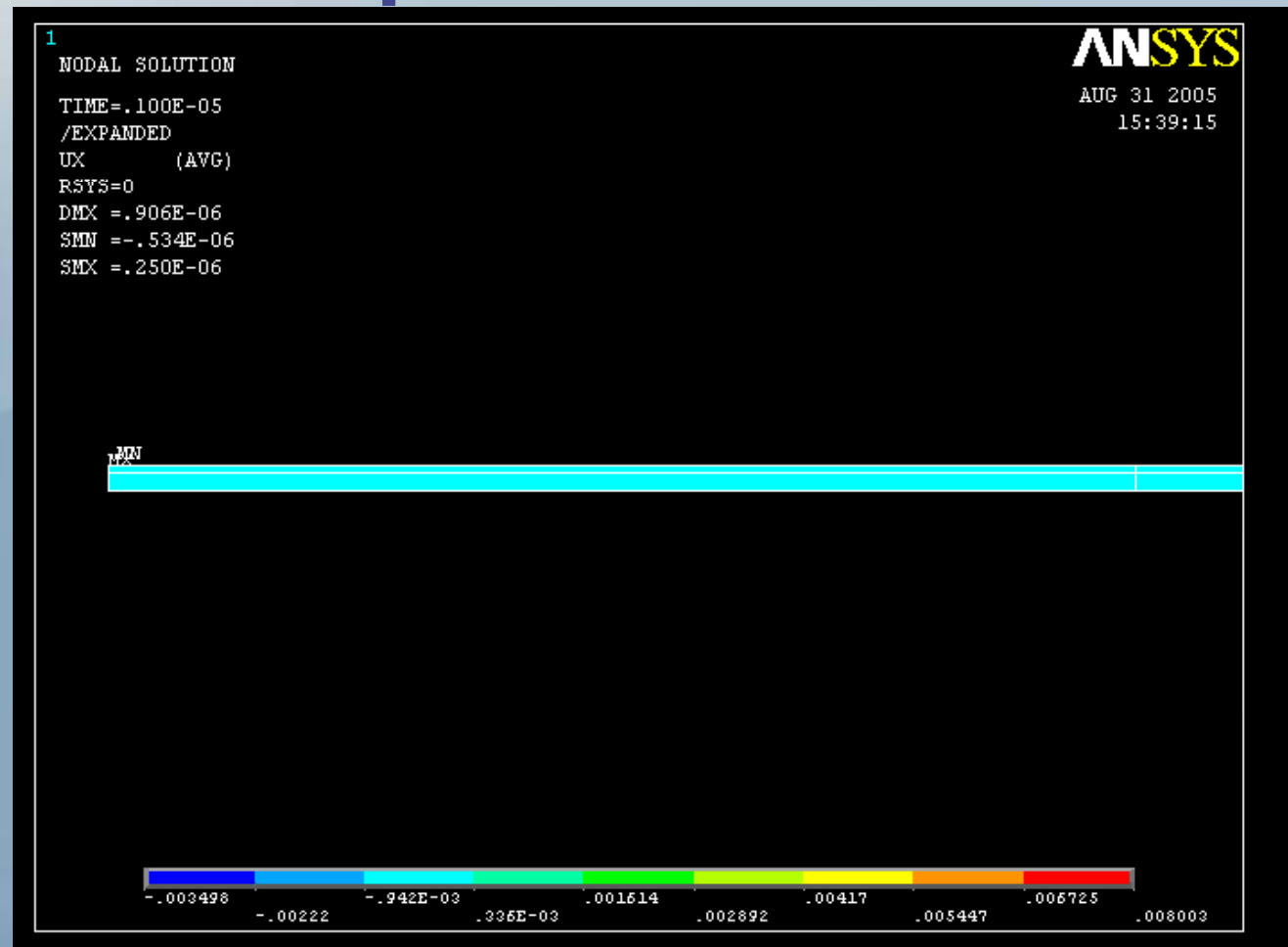


**Predicted permanent deformation is not zero (because of limited plasticity on the CuNi pipes) but well within limits (16  $\mu\text{m}$ )**



# Thermo-mechanical Analysis

## Results for the simplified model





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# Conclusions I

- In-depth thermo-structural simulations were performed on Phase I collimator models from the early stages allowing design optimization; variable thermal loads from FLUKA were applied making use of 3-D tables.
- Thermal/structural coupled elements used. On relatively long time-scales, it is not possible to separate the two domains (thermal conductance depends on contact pressure), making the problem intrinsically coupled.
- For contact elements (which include friction) the *Lagrange and Penalty* method was used allowing control of contact penetration.
- Studies of solutions accuracy, influence of mesh dimensions and time-steps were done.
- Comparisons with analytical calculations and experimental results were performed to validate FE models.



# Conclusions II

- Sequential fast-transient thermo-structural analyses were performed in the elastic-plastic domain to predict collimator behavior in case of beam impacts.
- Solutions allowed to study thermally-induced vibrations on the short time scale and predict residual deformations on the long time-scale.
- We believe Ansys Multiphysics can be successfully applied for the reliable solution of complex fast-transient thermo-mechanical problems, provided changes of phase are not occurring or stress level is well below material Young's modulus ( $\Rightarrow$  hydrodynamic theory)
- The main implicit method drawback is long solution times imposed by very short time-steps (this can be offset by powerful hardware)