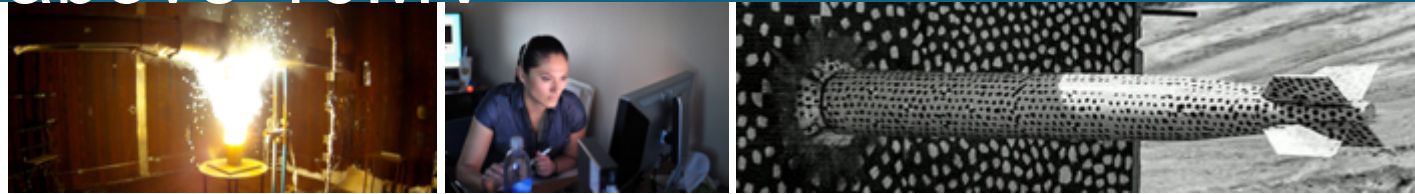




Secondary Ion Emission Modeling in a Planar Bremsstrahlung Diode operated above 10MV



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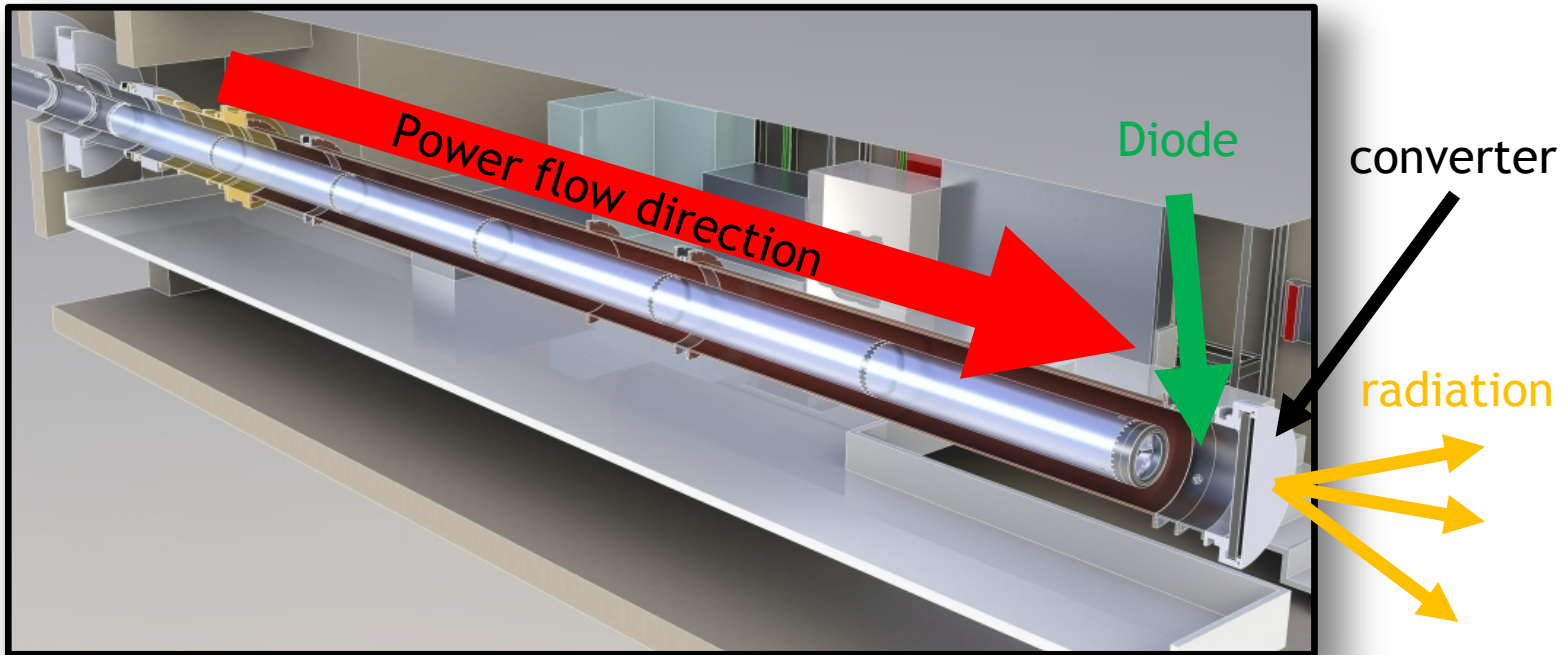
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Inductive Voltage Adder (IVA)



Application Space: HERMES-III Courtyard converter



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for scale

Bremsstrahlung Converters

Convert electron beams into x-ray sources (γ -simulators)

- HERMES III ($\sim 18\text{MV}$, 600kA)

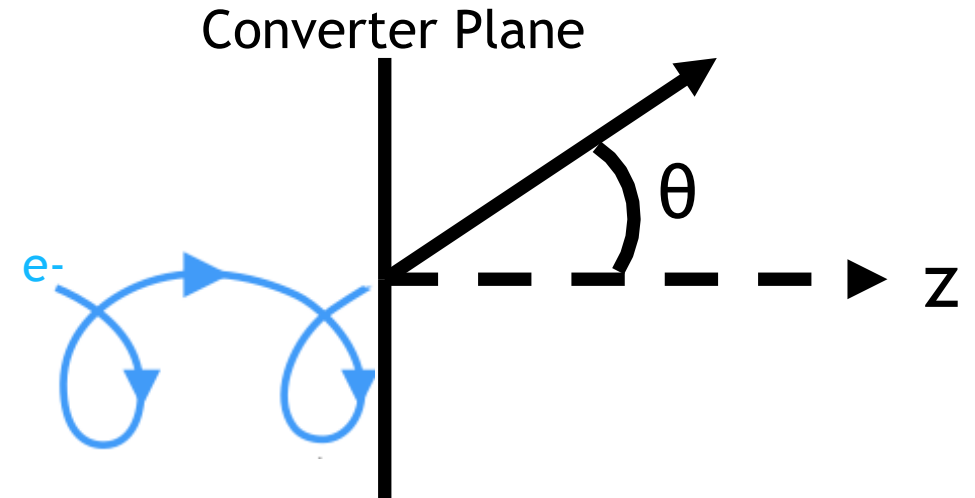
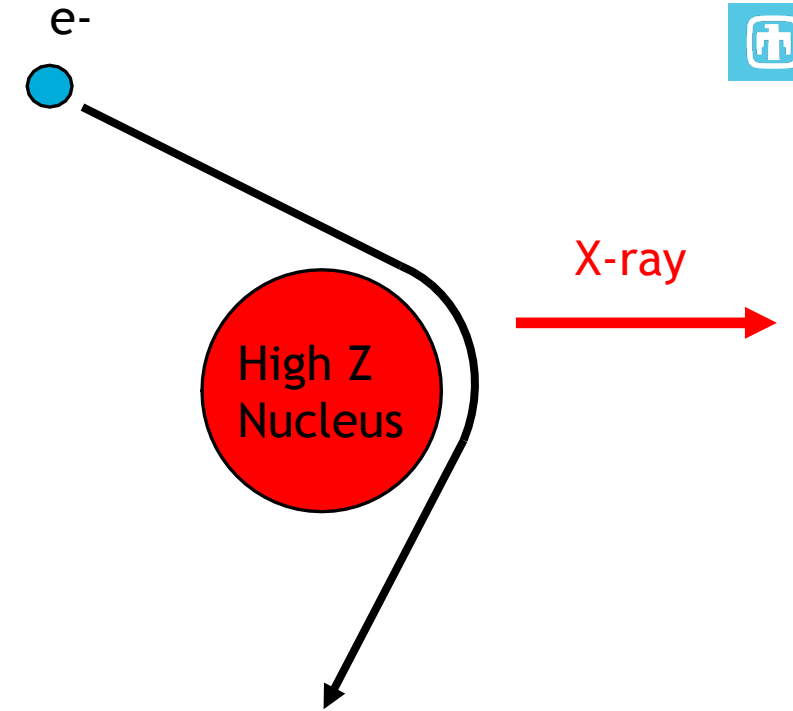
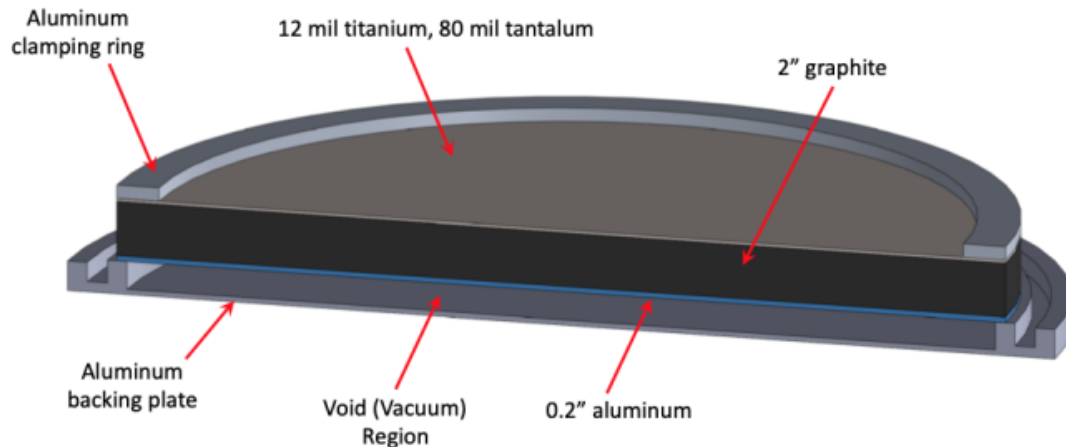
Tantalum converter ($Z=73$)

Interested in on-axis dose (D)

$$D = cIV^x ; x = x(\theta) \sim 2 \quad [1] \quad \frac{D}{Q} = (1.7 \times 10^3) V^{2.65} e^{-\theta V / 2.12} [2]$$

Graphite beam stop

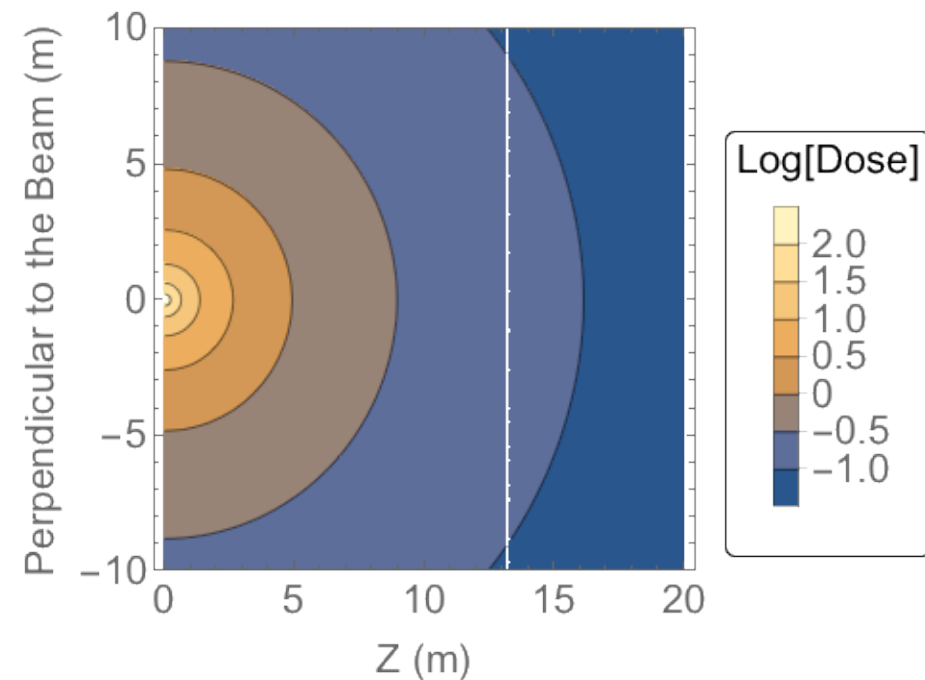
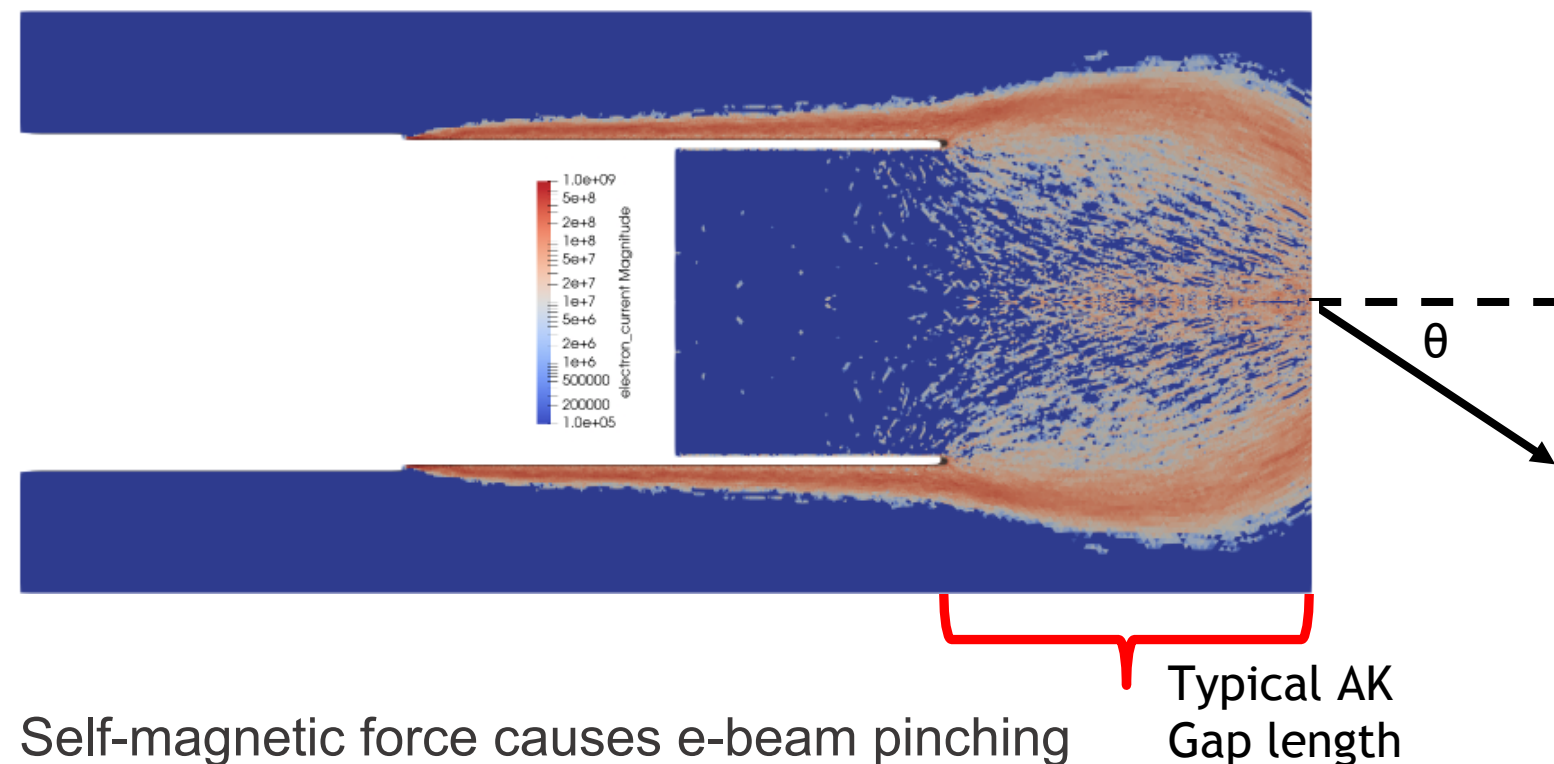
- Absorbs low energy electrons
- Hardens x-ray spectrum



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Dose From Bremsstrahlung Converters in High Current Diodes



Self-magnetic force causes e-beam pinching

Divergent x-ray beam causes poor downstream dose

Ideal performance is an x-ray "pencil beam"

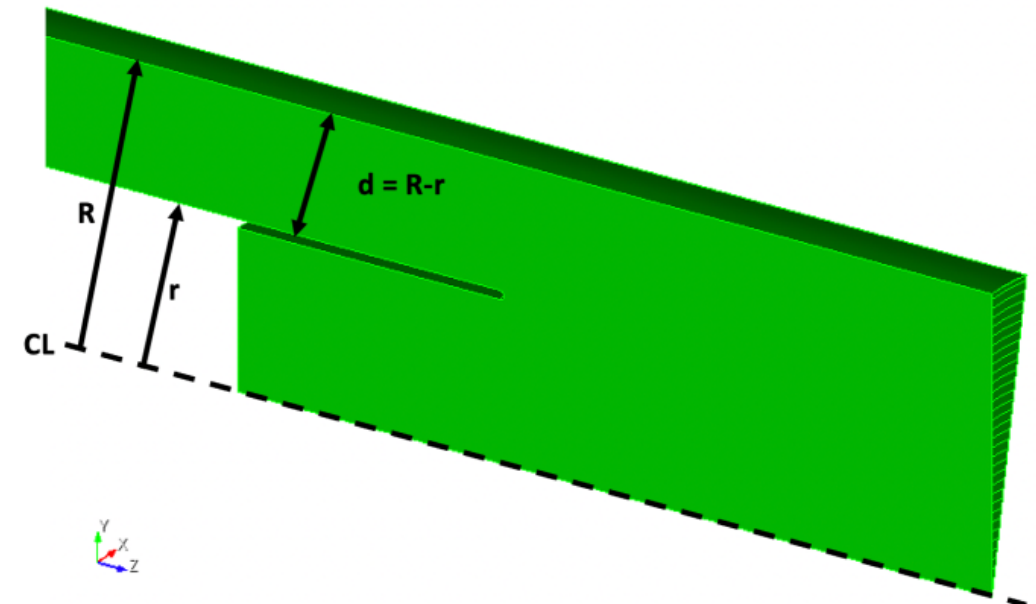
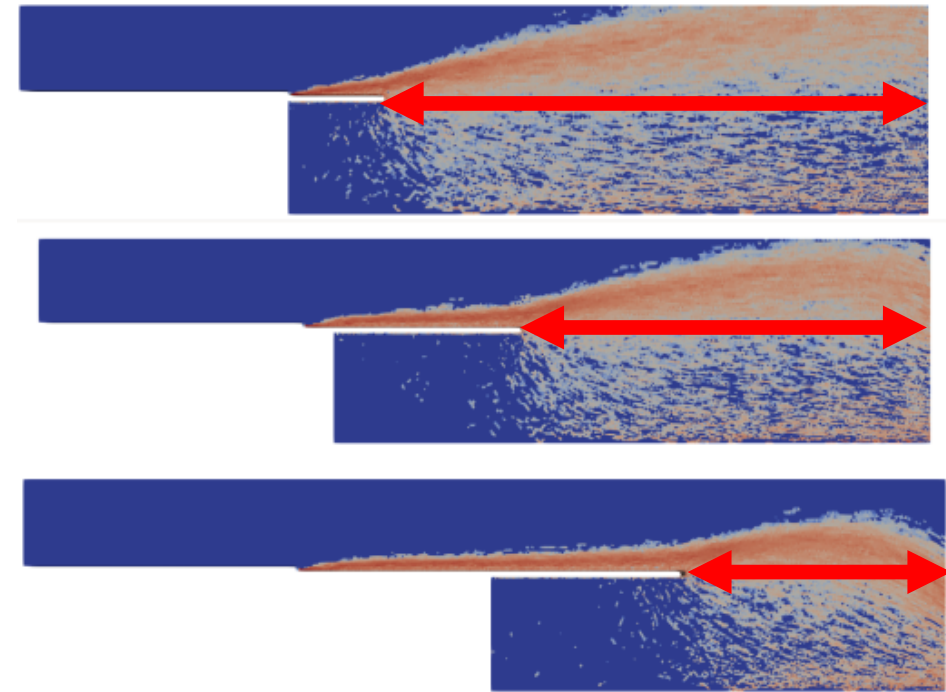
Planar Anode Geometry

Planar diode:

- Line-dominated regime:
 - Diode impedance defaults to line impedance [3]
 - Current and AK gap determines pinch angles
- Load-dominated regime:
 - Operating impedance defaults to load impedance [3]
 - Low impedance (10Ω) yields high currents and high pinch angles
 - Low voltage yields low dose production (short-circuit reflections)

Coaxial Wedge in CUBIT:

- Annular cathode
- 1/50 sector
- Periodic Boundary Conditions
- Converter Radial Bins



Secondary Ions

Electron bombardment the titanium anode surface liberates ions, generally in the form of H^+ [4]

Ions are emitted from converter surface with a selected yield fraction, f

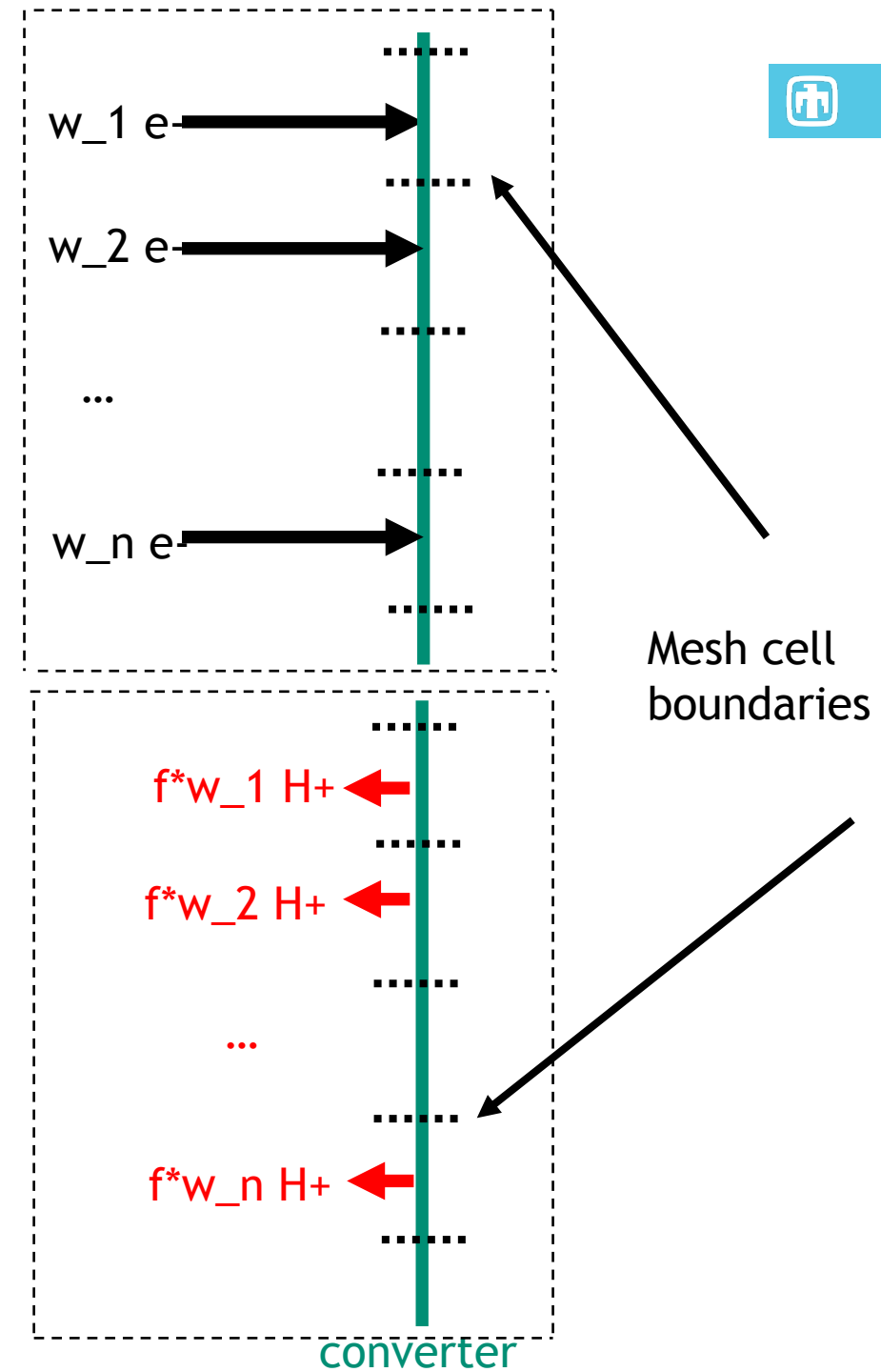
$$N_i = f * N_e$$

RHIC, CERN, and RITS see yields of roughly $f = 0.02 - 0.05$ [5-7]

Some reports give $f \sim 10-15\%$, even as high as 31% [8]

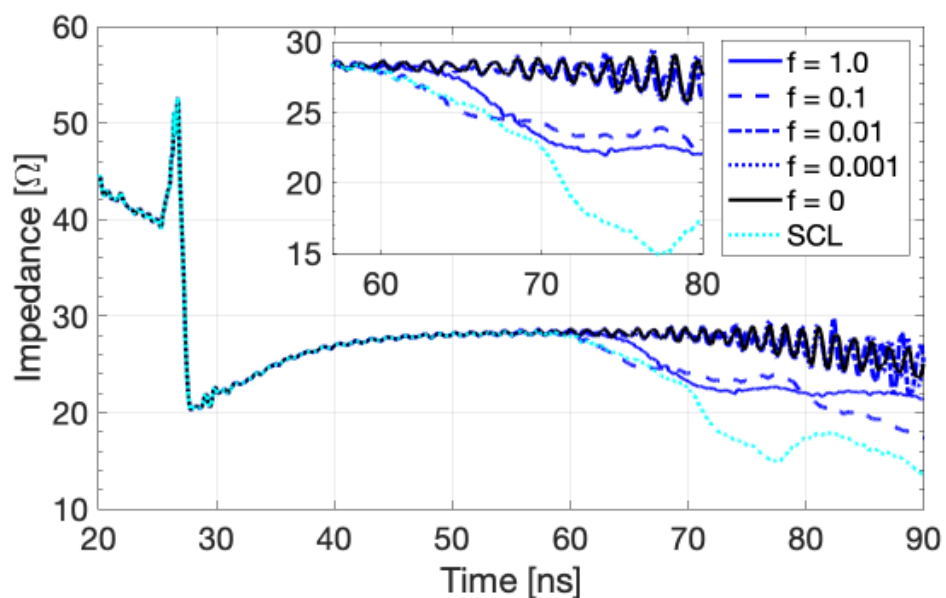
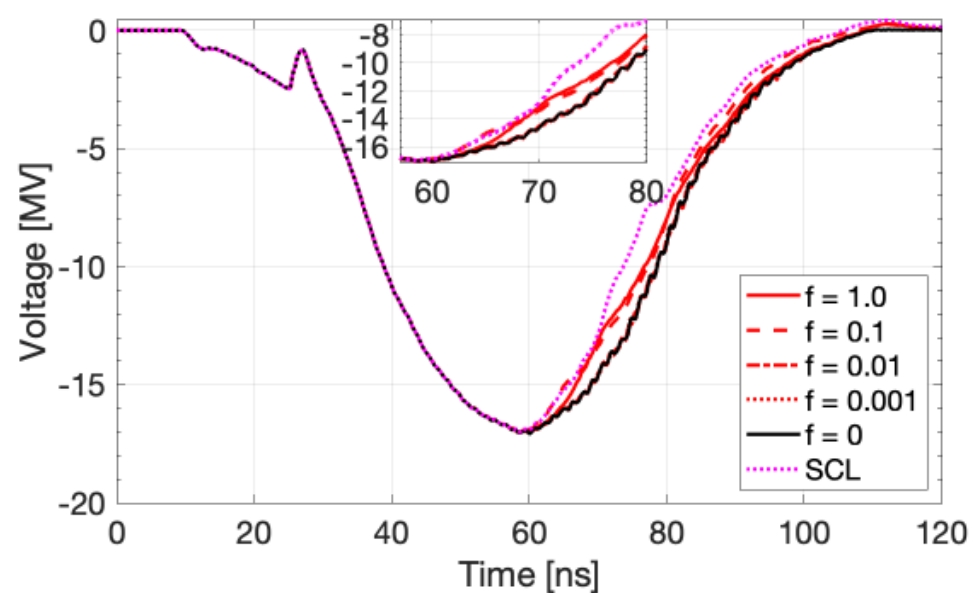
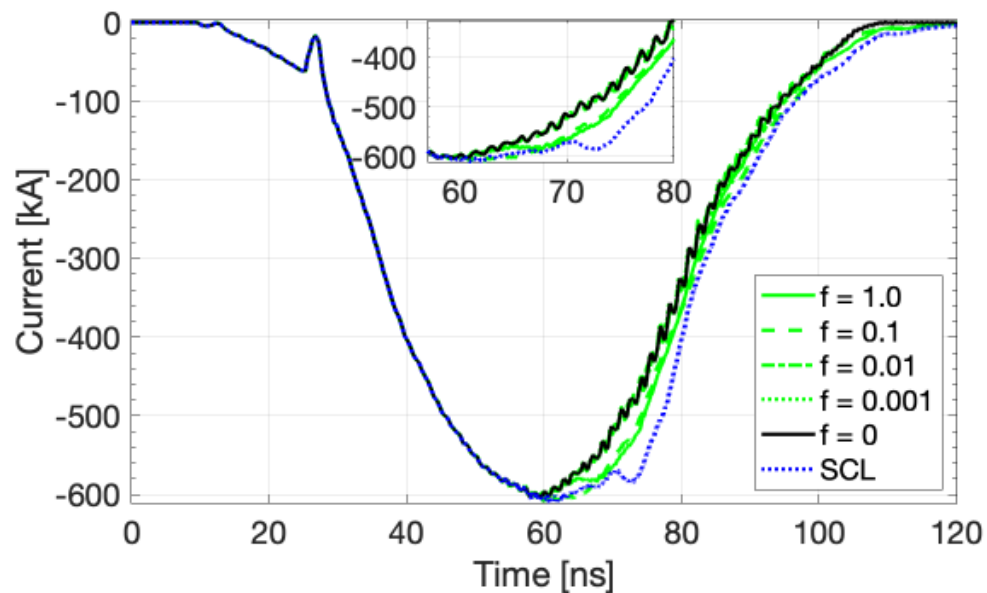
55cm gap runs: $f = 0, 0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1$ and we include the upper bound of SCLe

73+ AK gap runs: $f = 0, 0.01, 0.02, 0.05, 0.1$



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- [6] J. Gomez-Goni and A. Mathewson, J. Vac. Sci. Technol. A 15, 3093 (1997).
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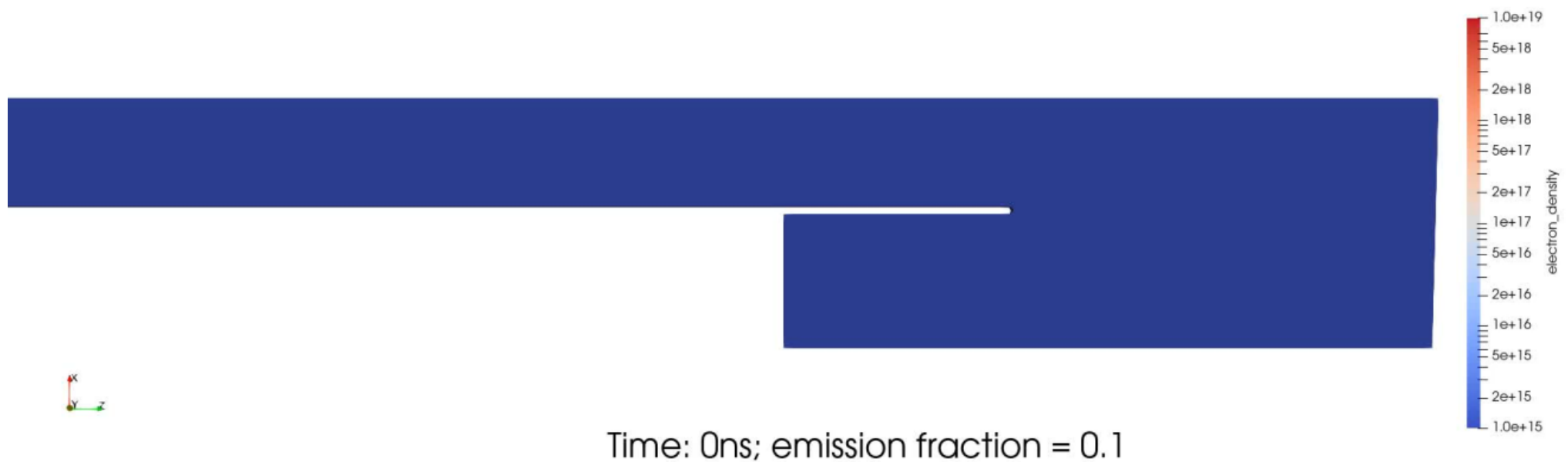
55cm AK Gap



Impedance departs early for $f = 0.1$ and SCL.

Later departure for $f=1$ case due to higher ion density than either SCL or $f = 0.1$ cases

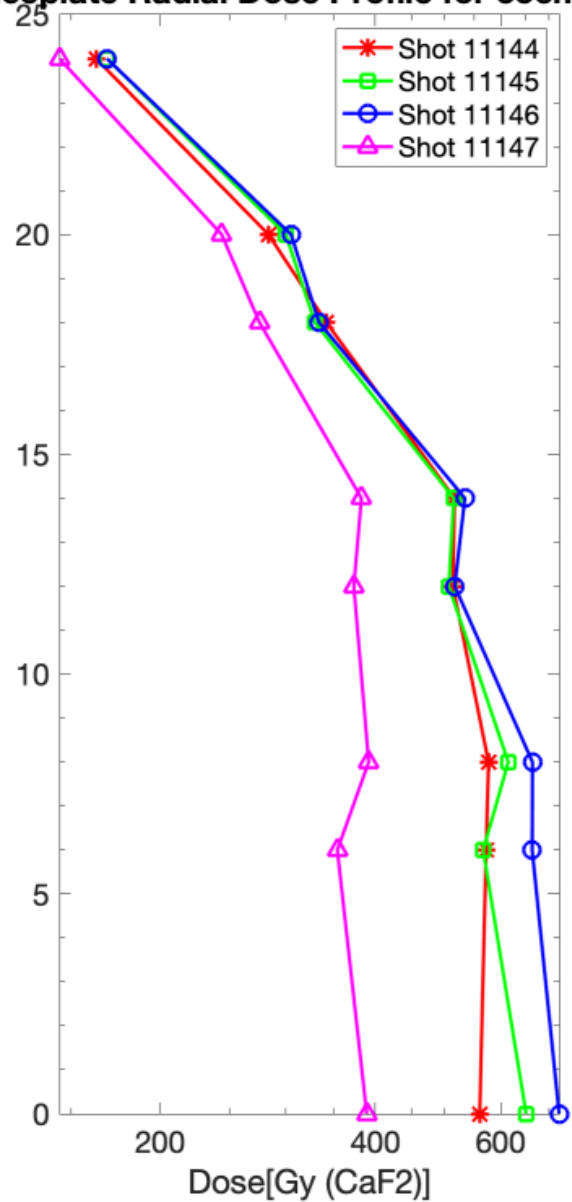
Effects of ions in diodes occurs primarily after the peak x-ray pulse due to slow acceleration of ions.



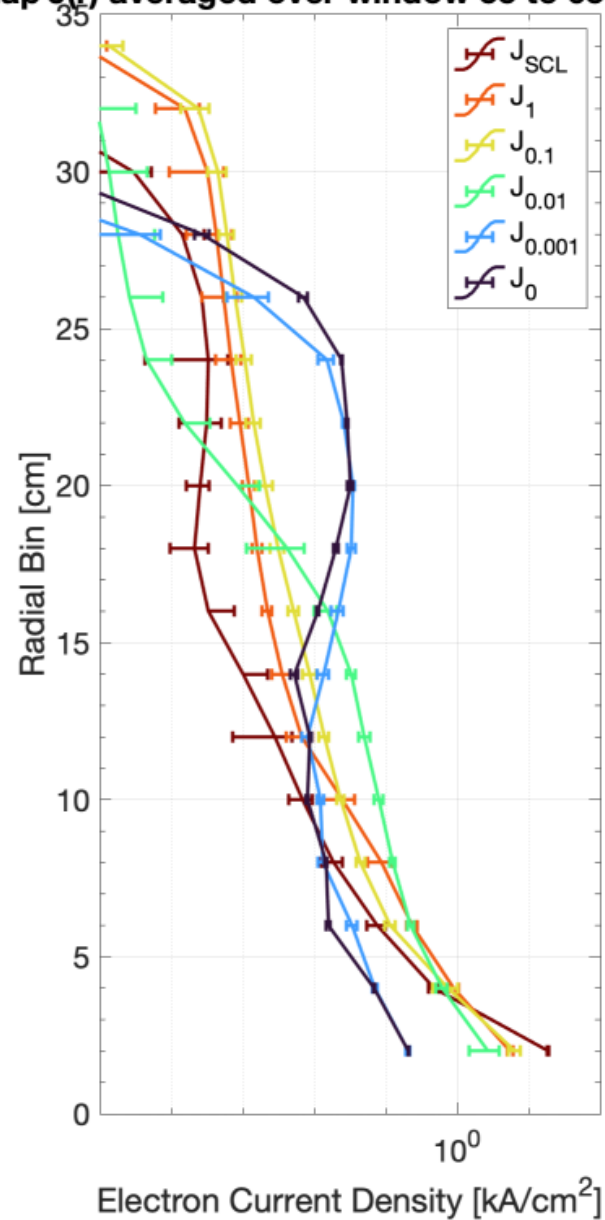
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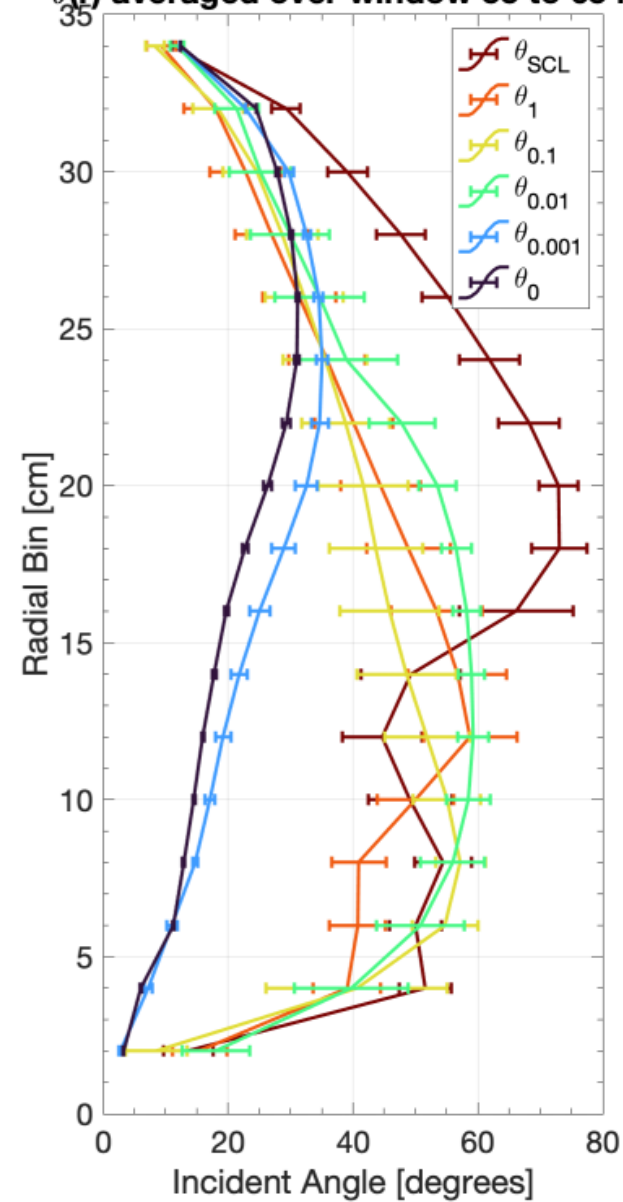
Faceplate Radial Dose Profile for 55cm Gap $J(r)$ averaged over window 55 to 65 ns



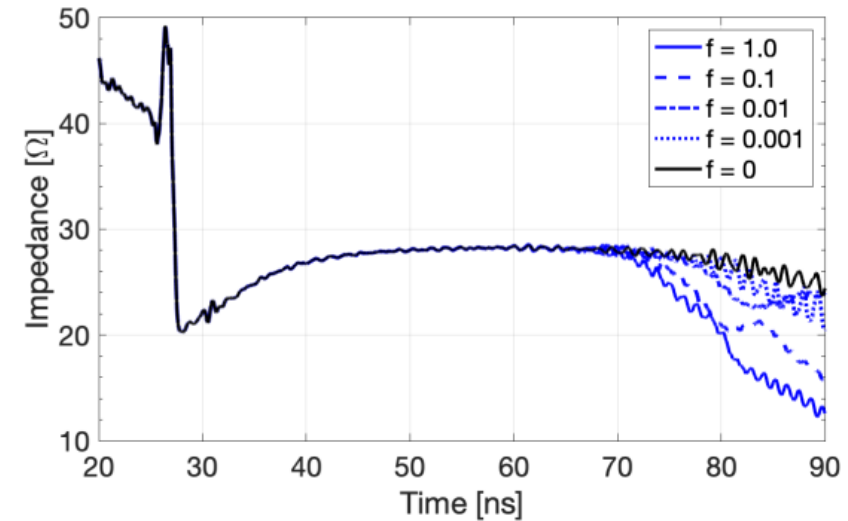
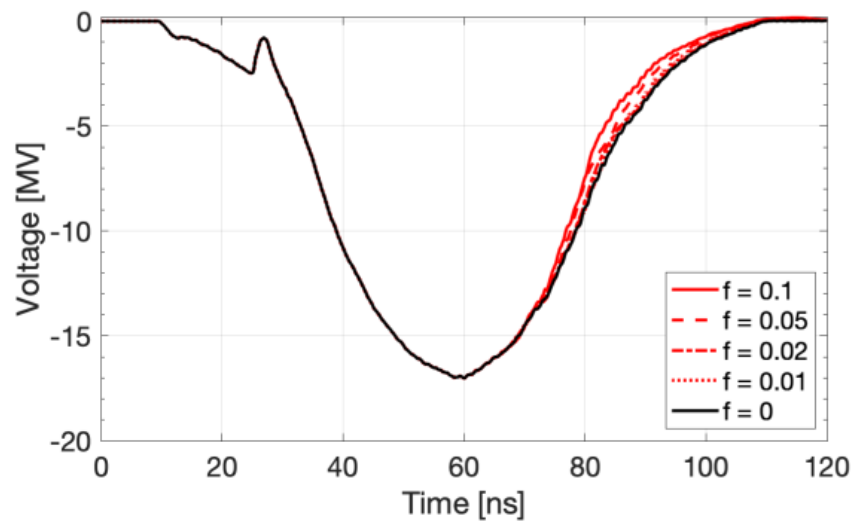
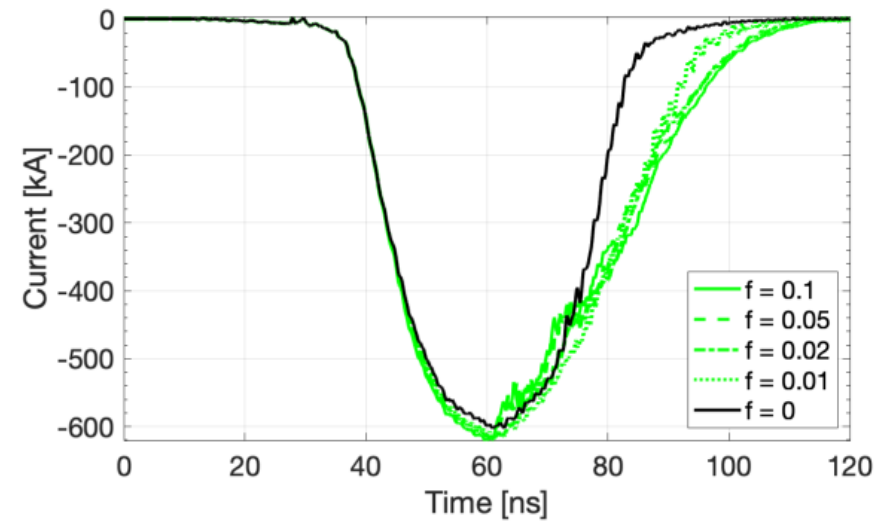
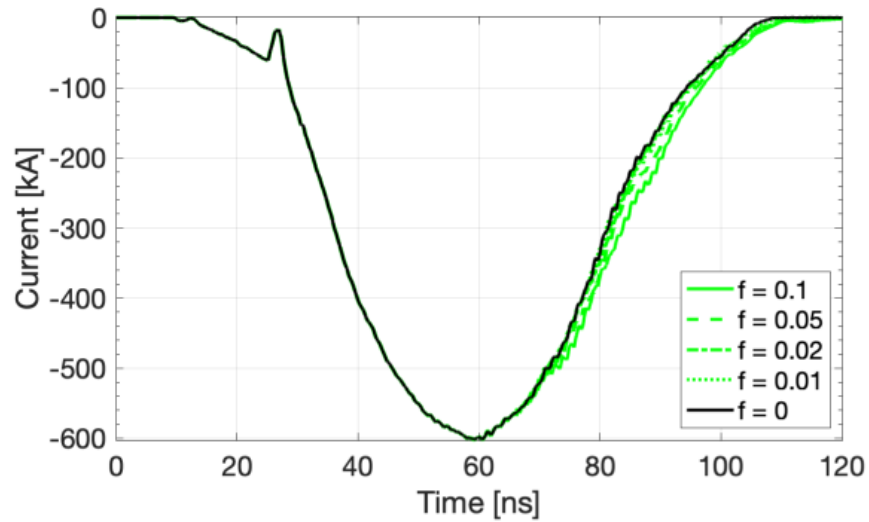
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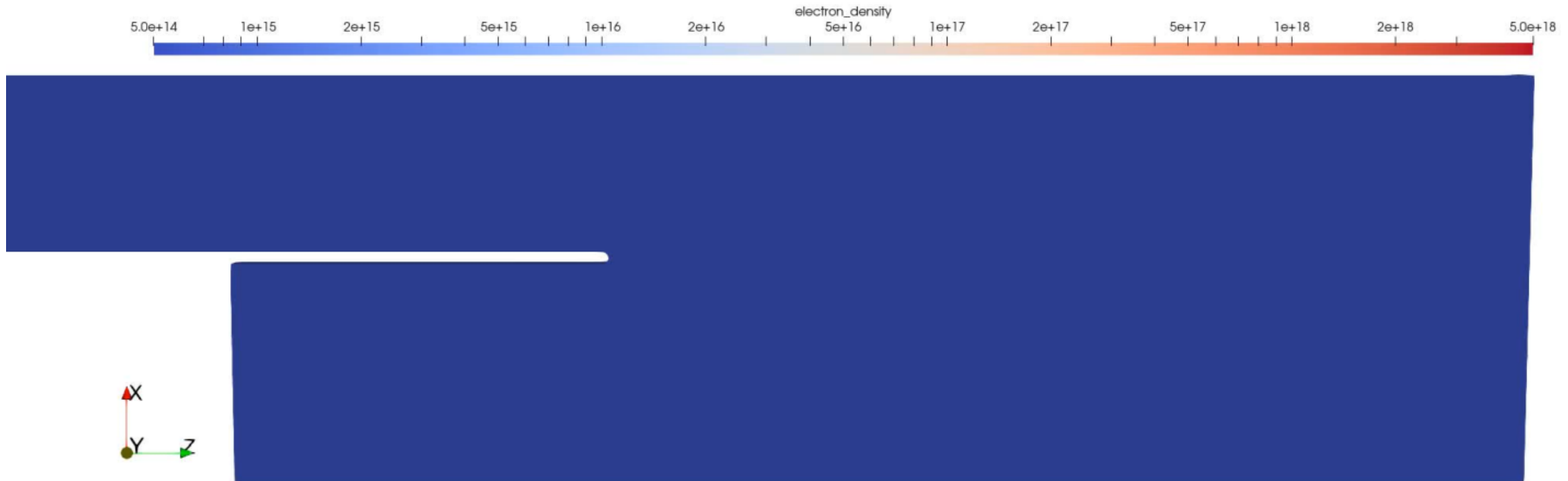


First attempt at modeling 73cm AK Gap with 18MV pulse



First attempt at modeling 73cm AK Gap with 18MV pulse

73cm gap, no ions: 0 ns



First attempt at modeling 73cm AK Gap with 18MV pulse



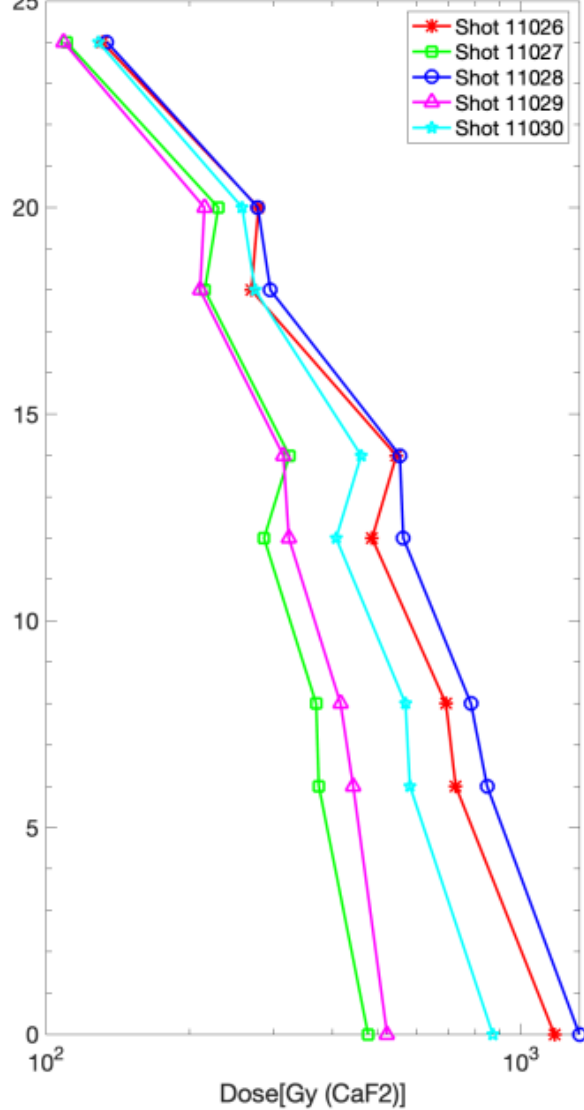
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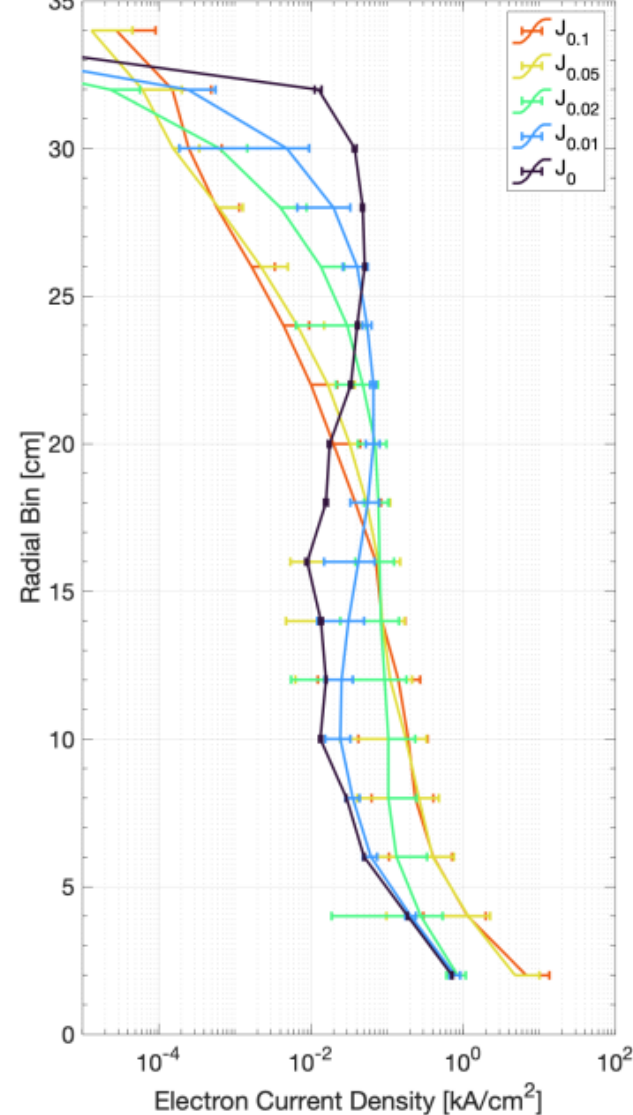
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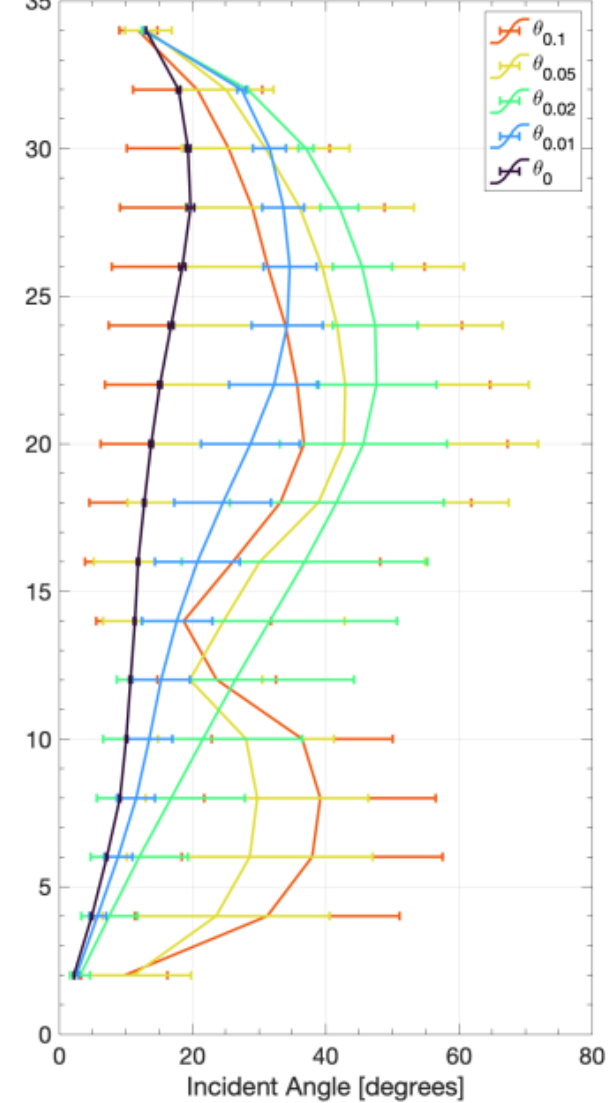
Faceplate Radial Dose Profile for 73cm Gap



$J(r)$ averaged over window 57 to 63 ns



$\theta(r)$ averaged over window 57 to 63 ns



Replicating HERMES-III Shots in EMPIRE

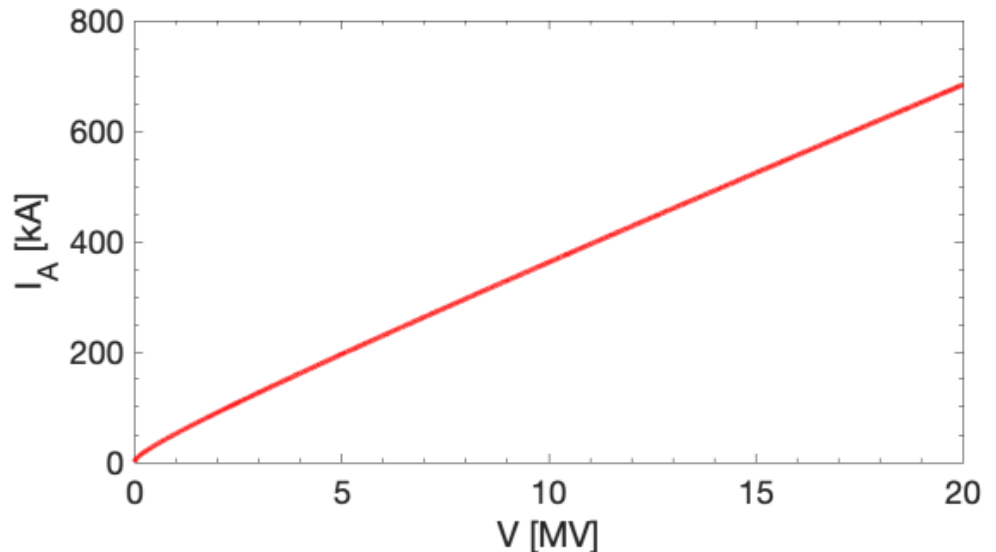
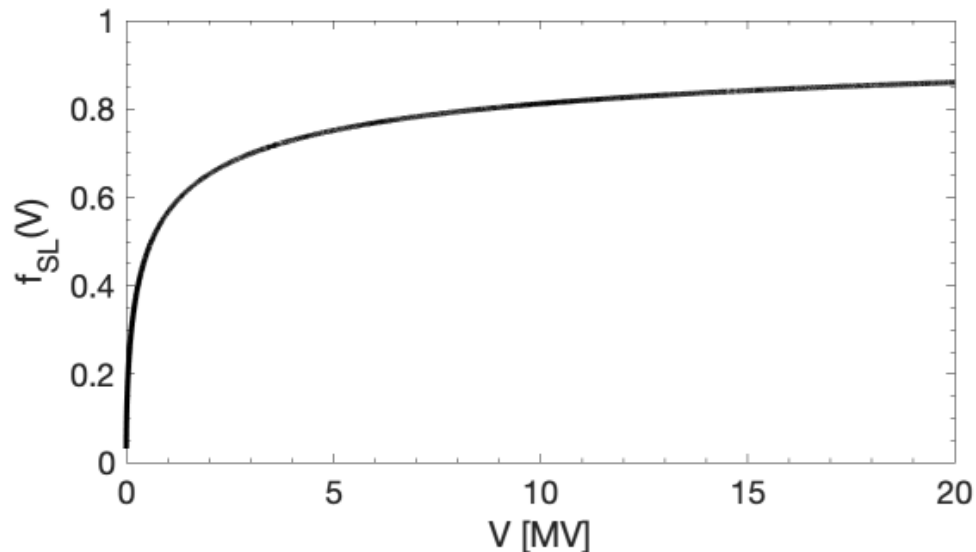


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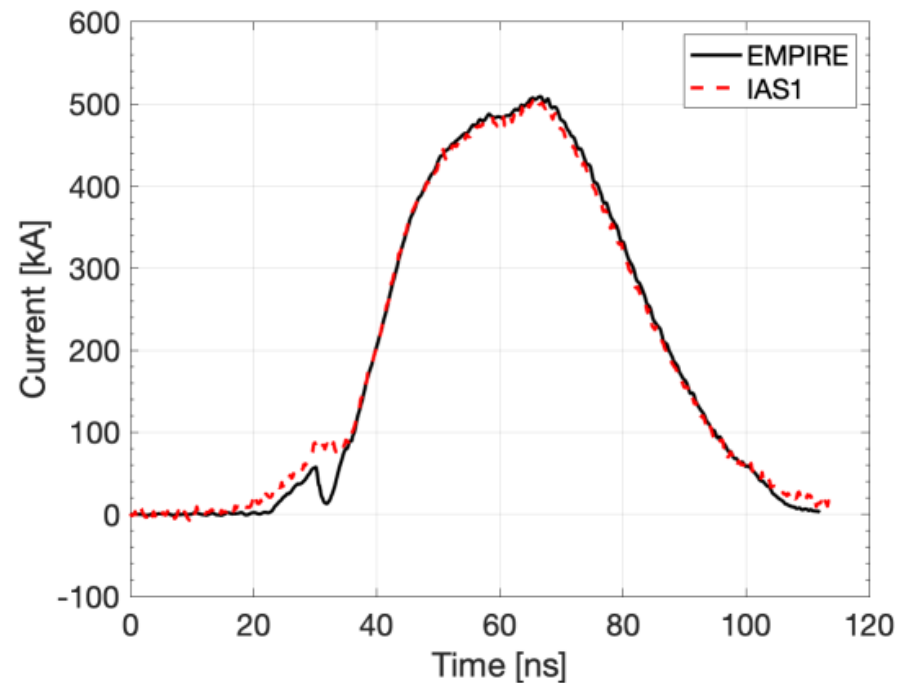
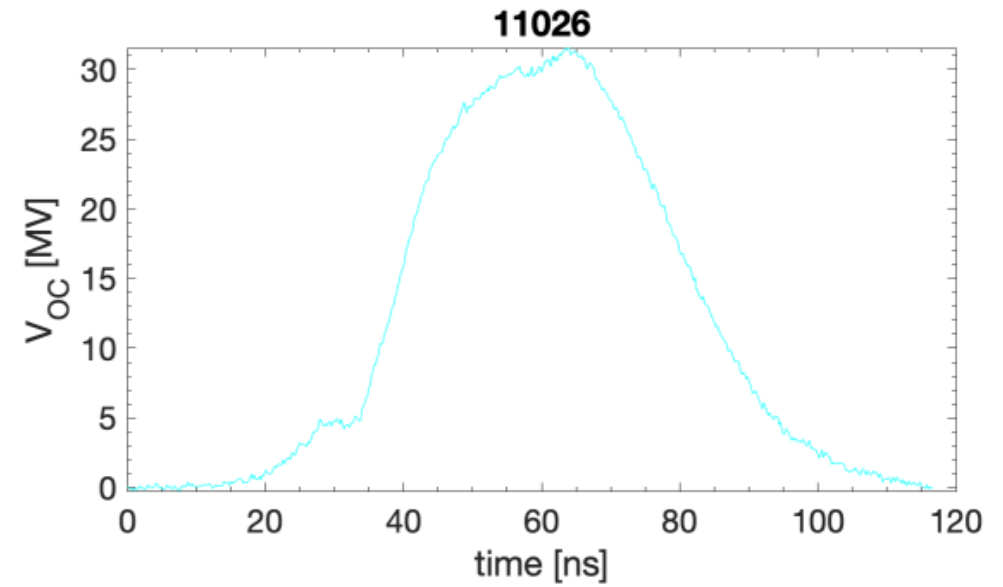
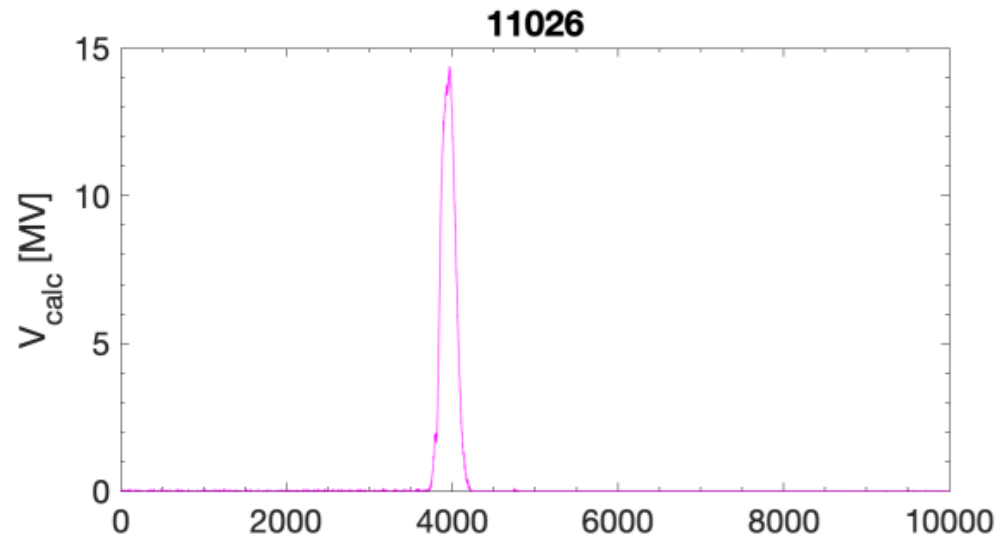
Numerically solve Mendel's voltage model [ref] for the self limited function

Use Thevenin source open-circuit voltage to drive simulation

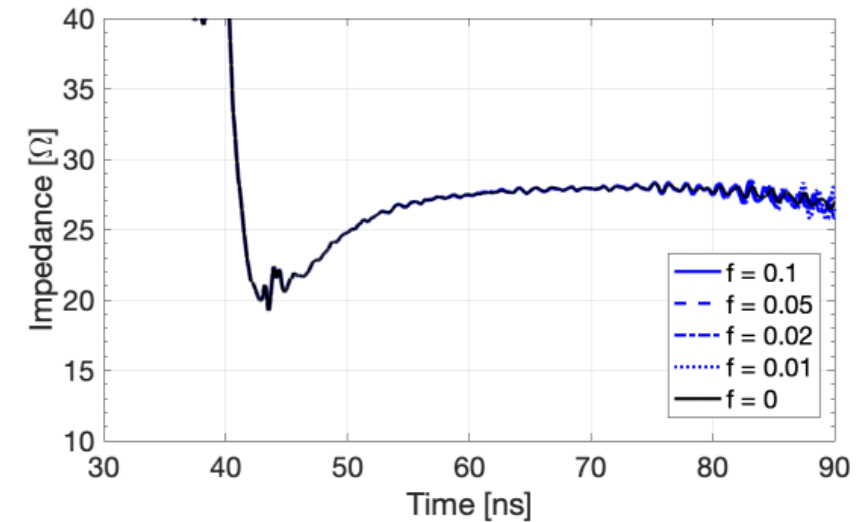
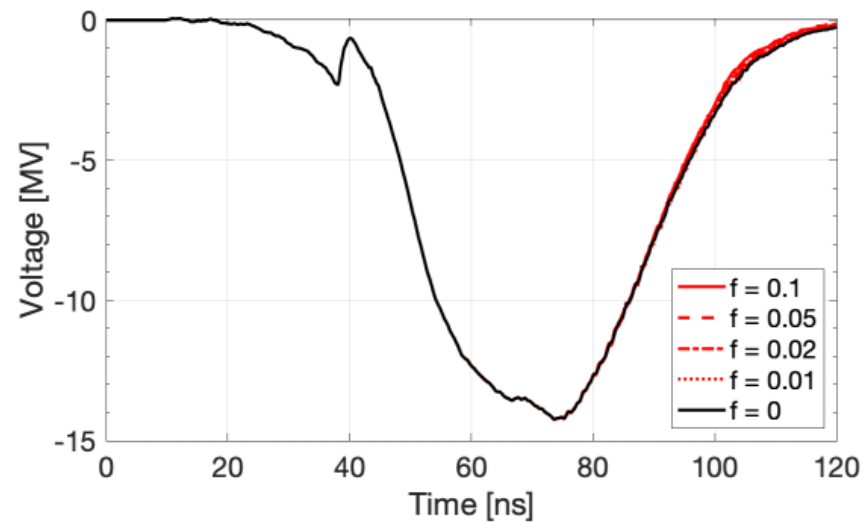
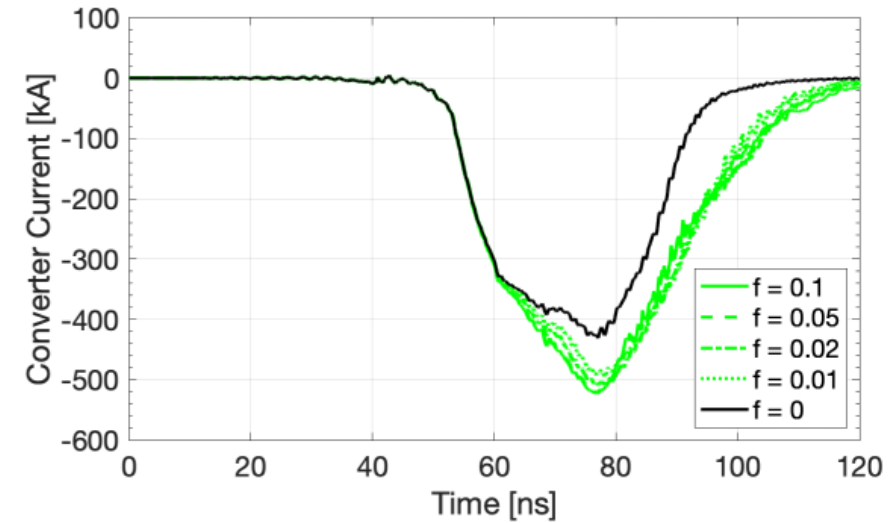
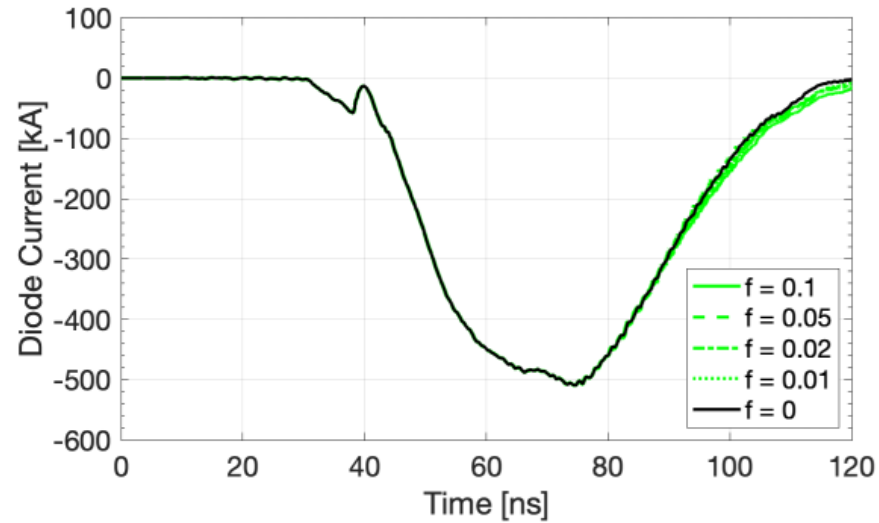
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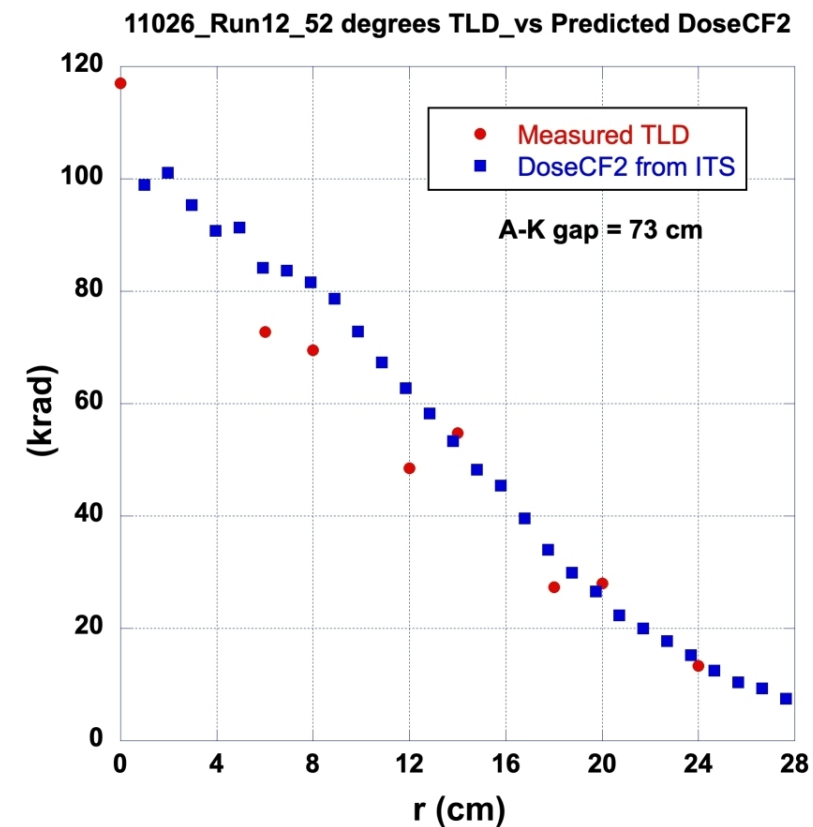
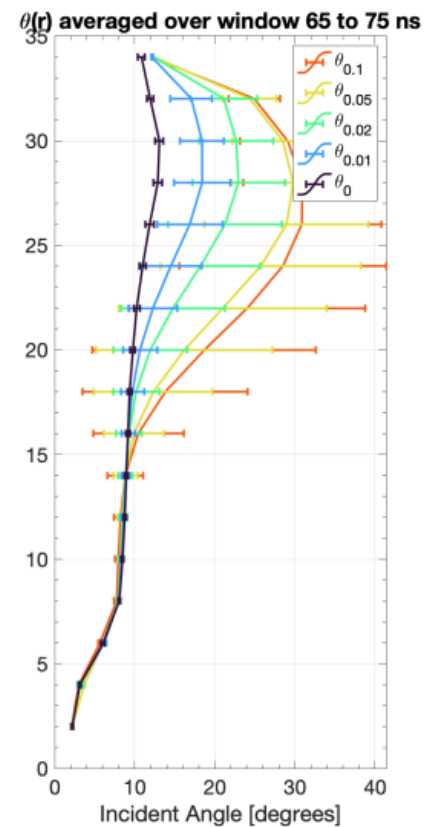
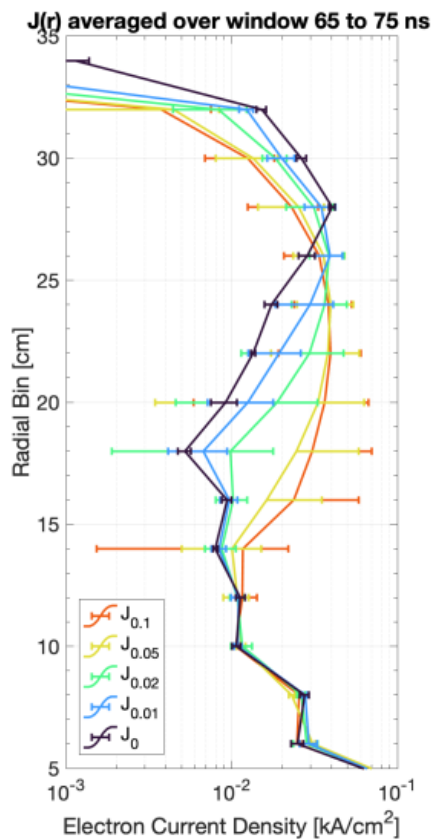
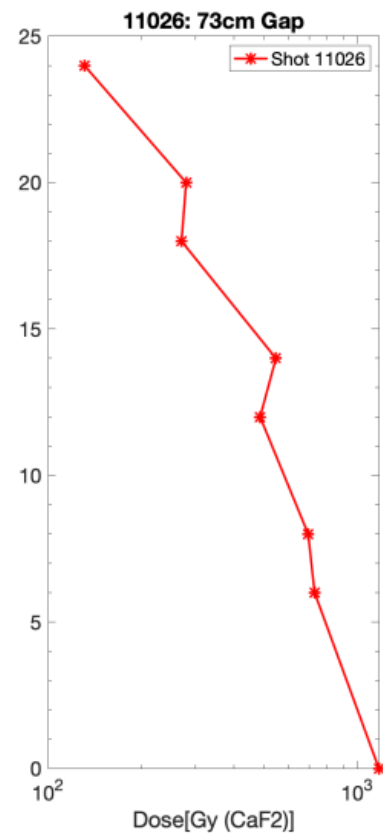


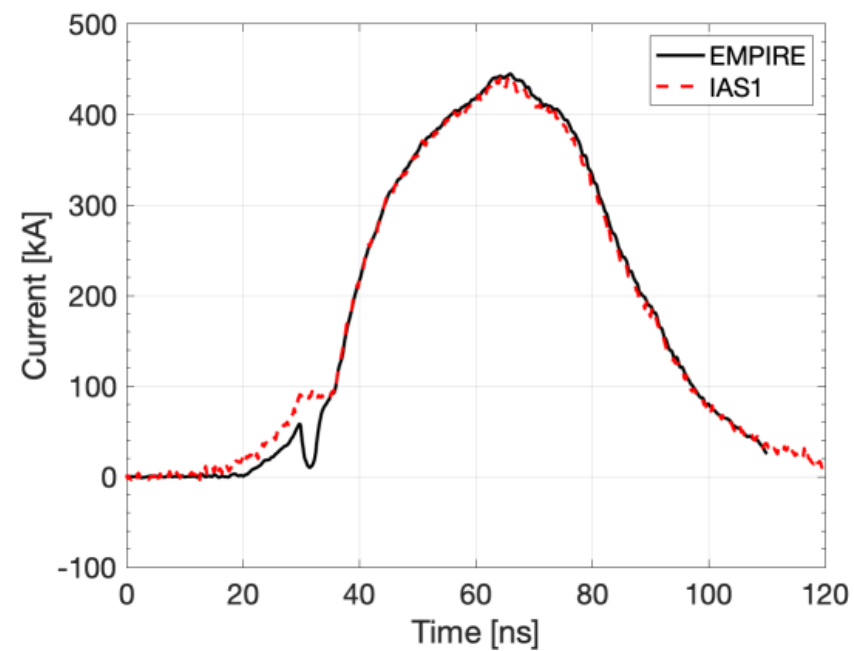
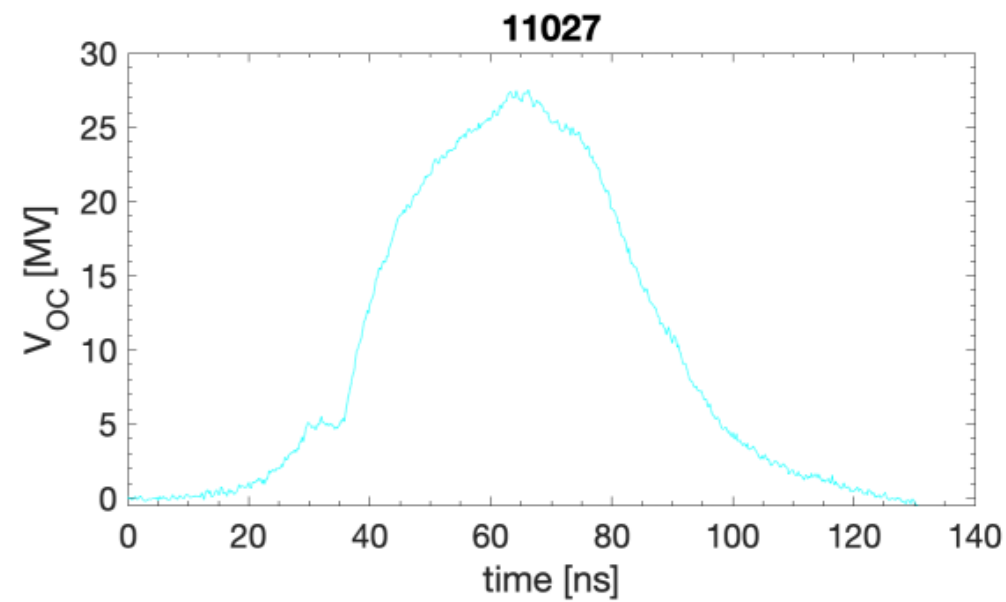
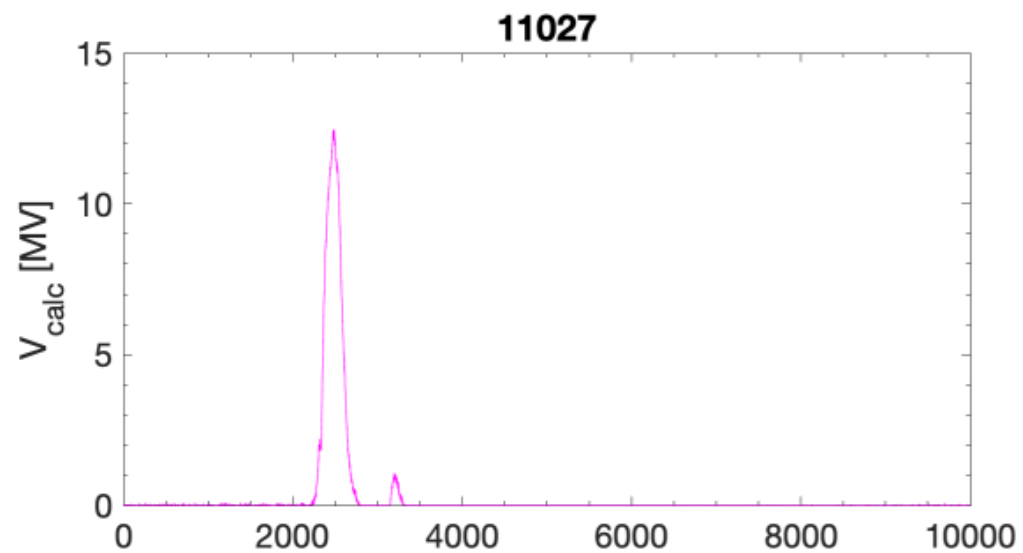
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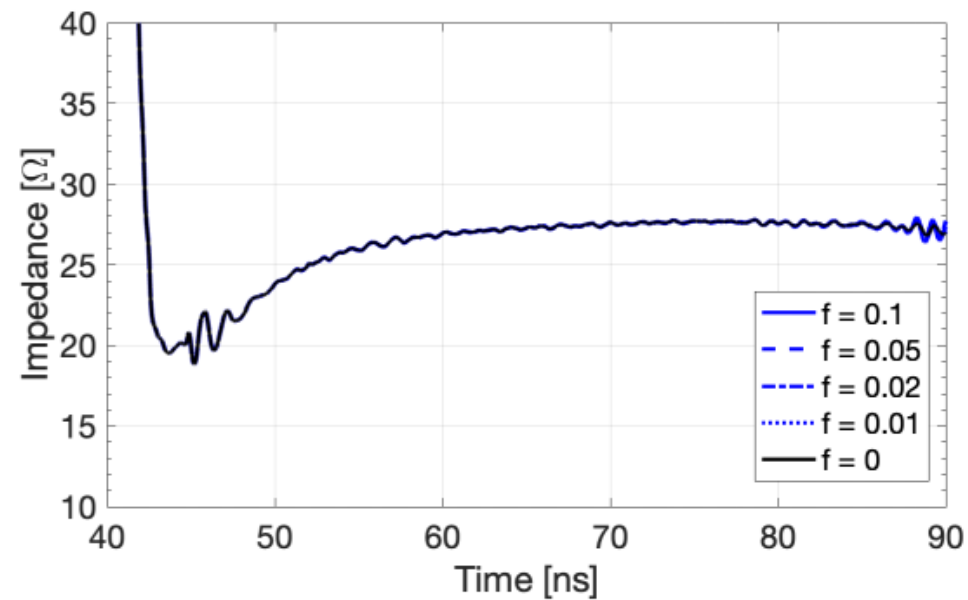
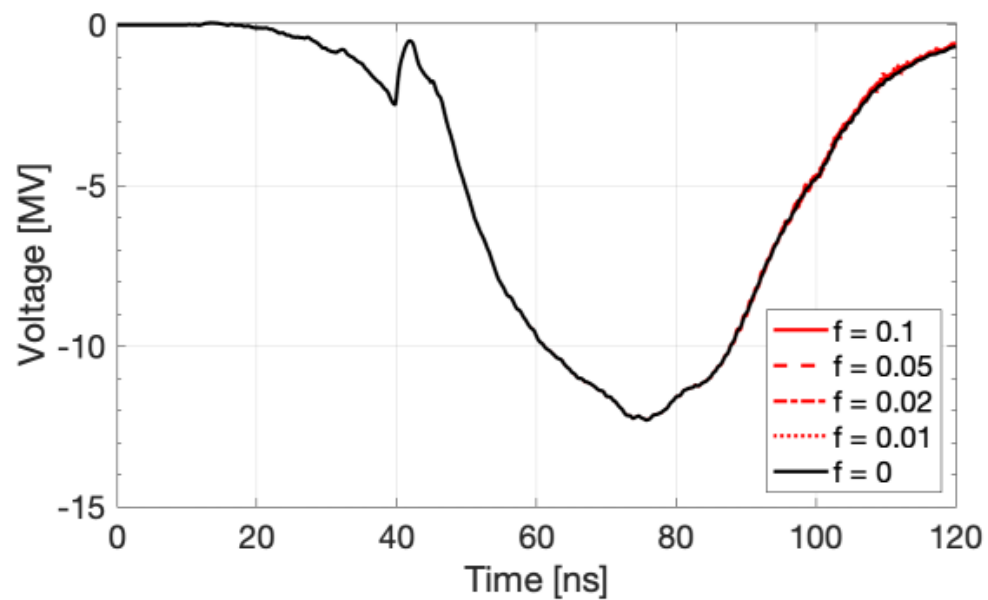
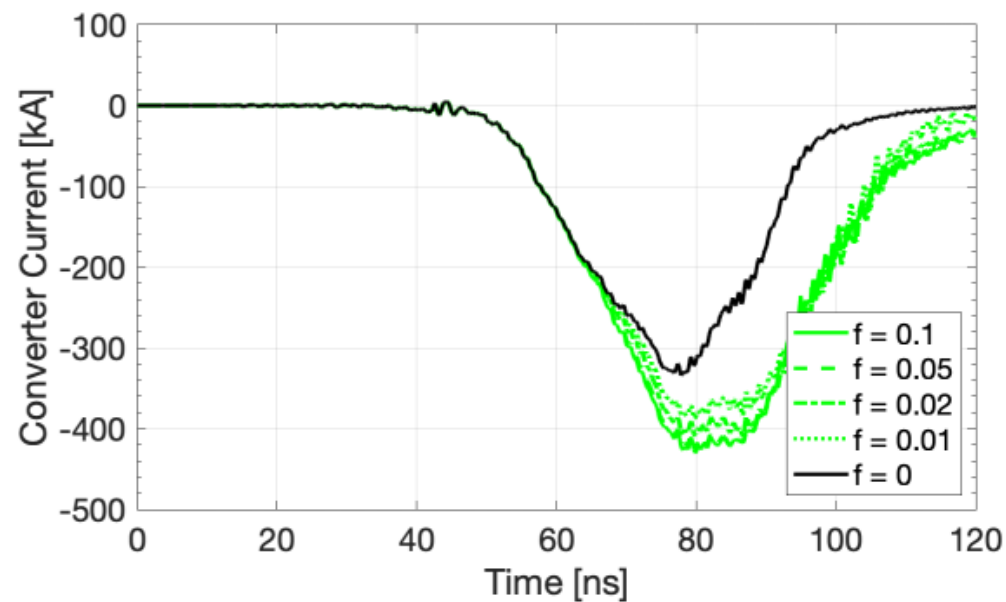
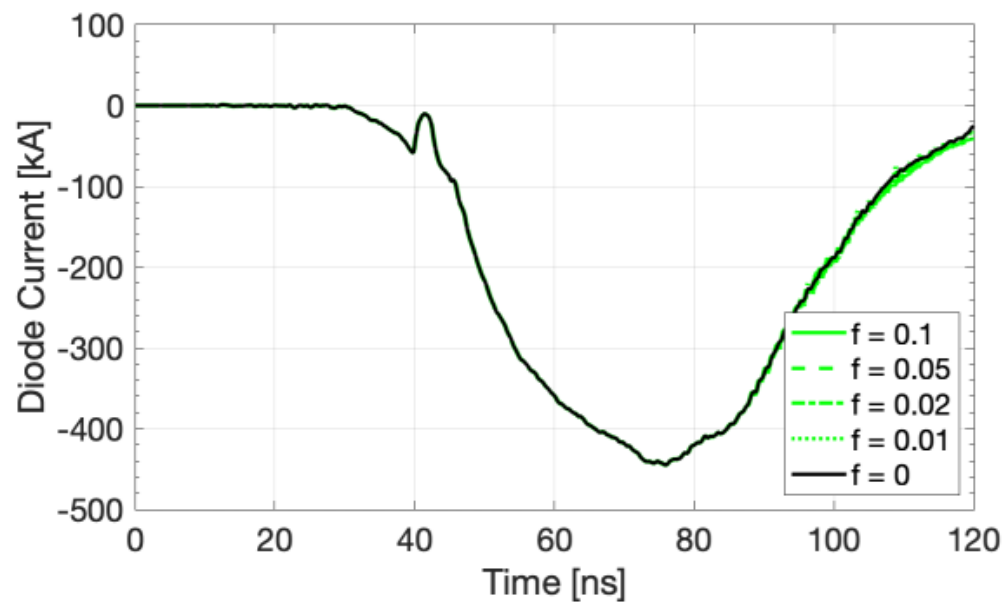
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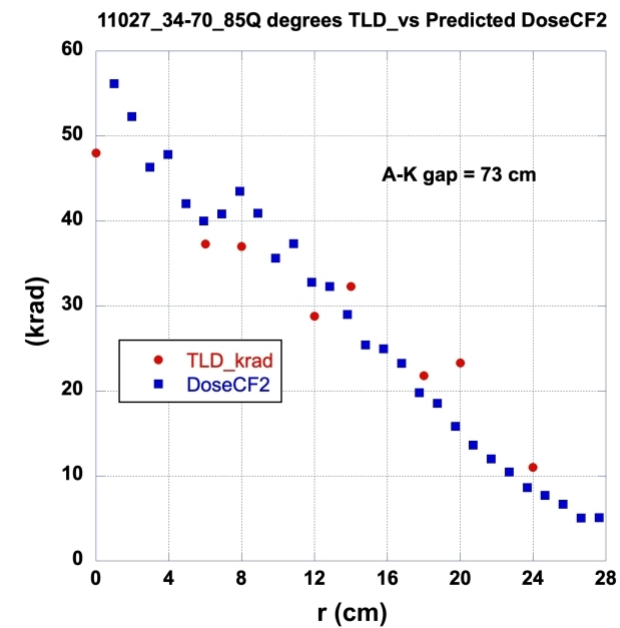
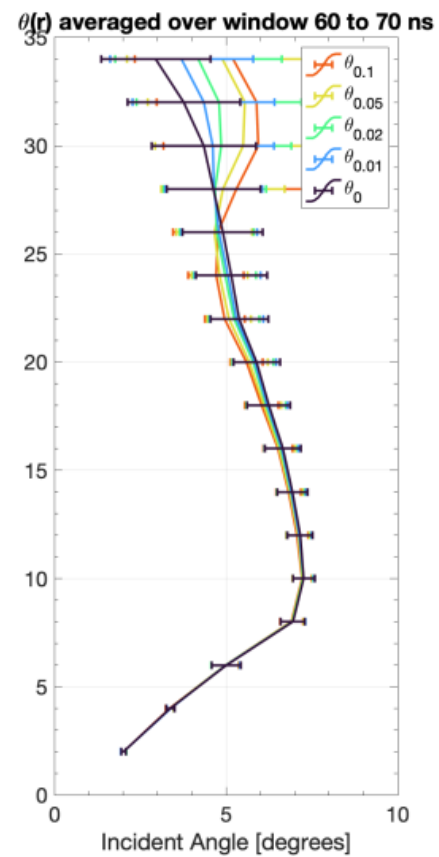
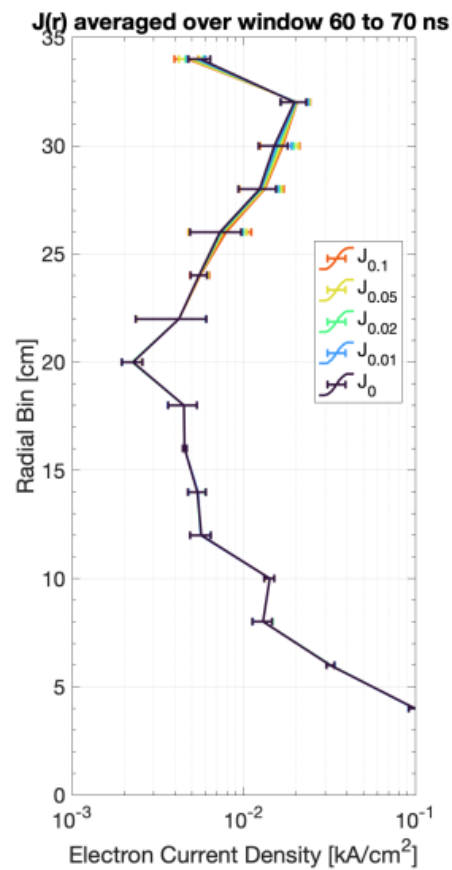
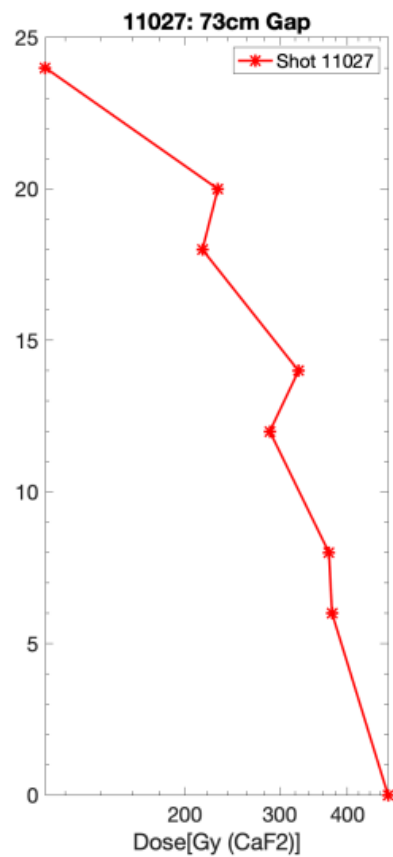


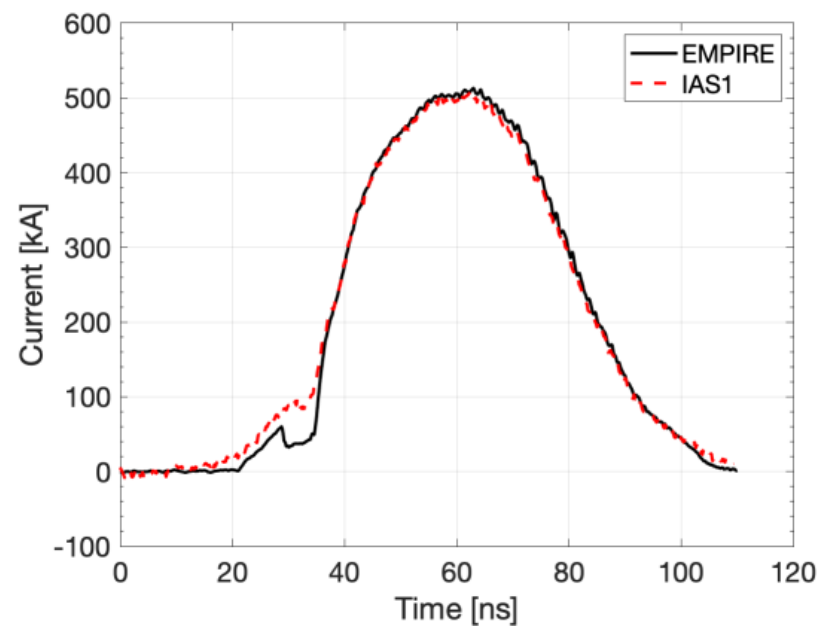
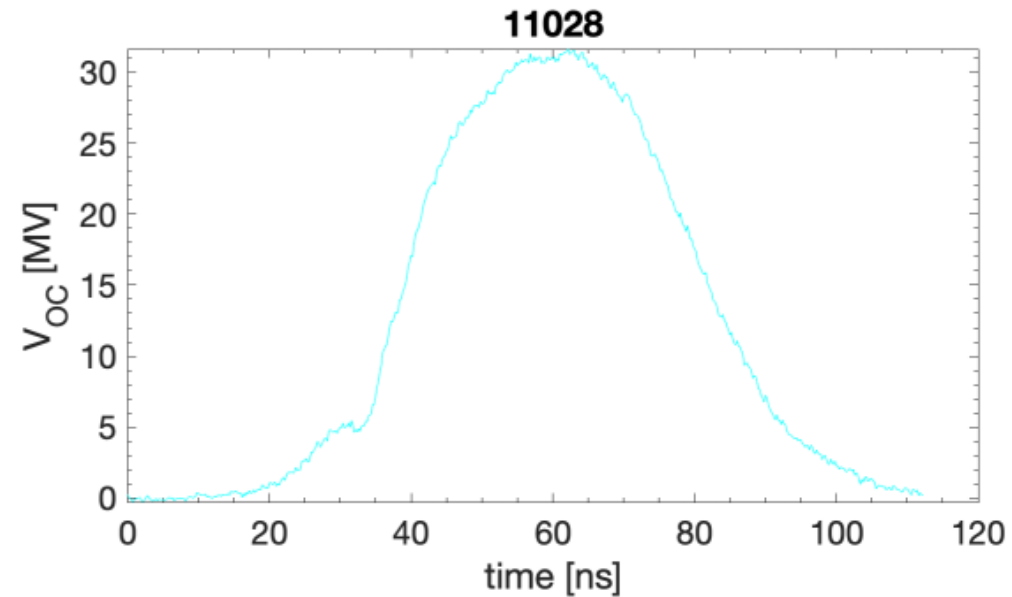
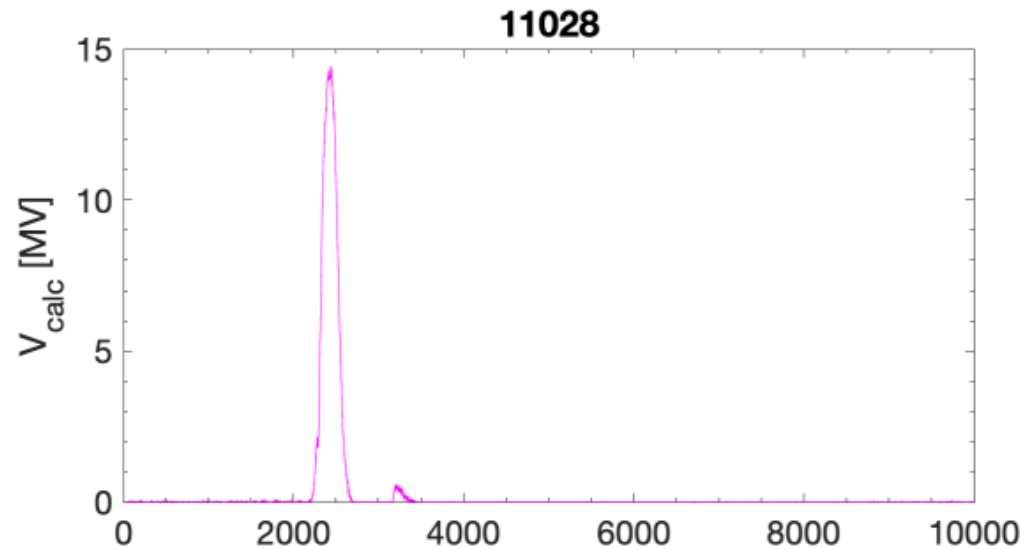




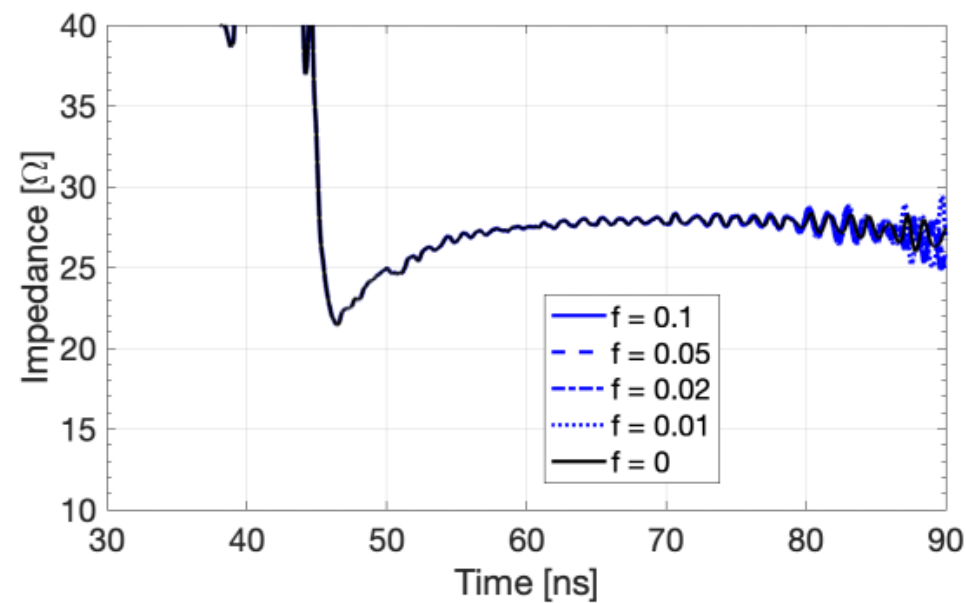
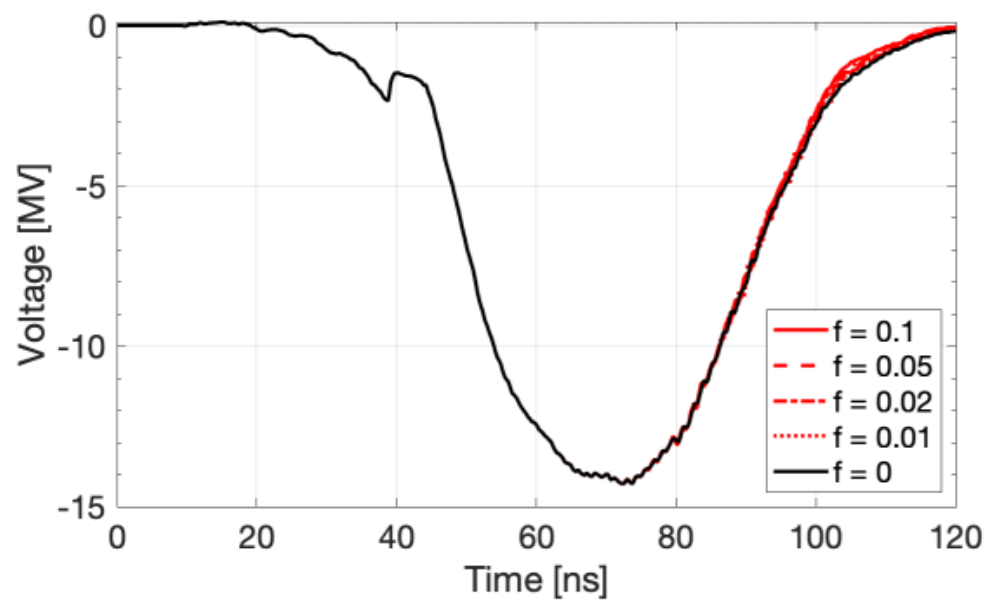
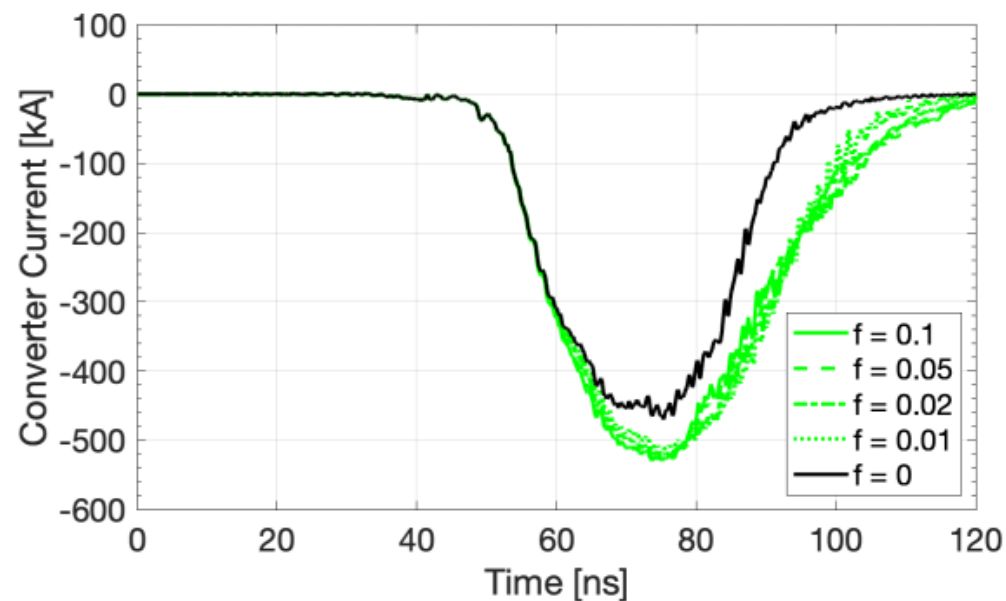
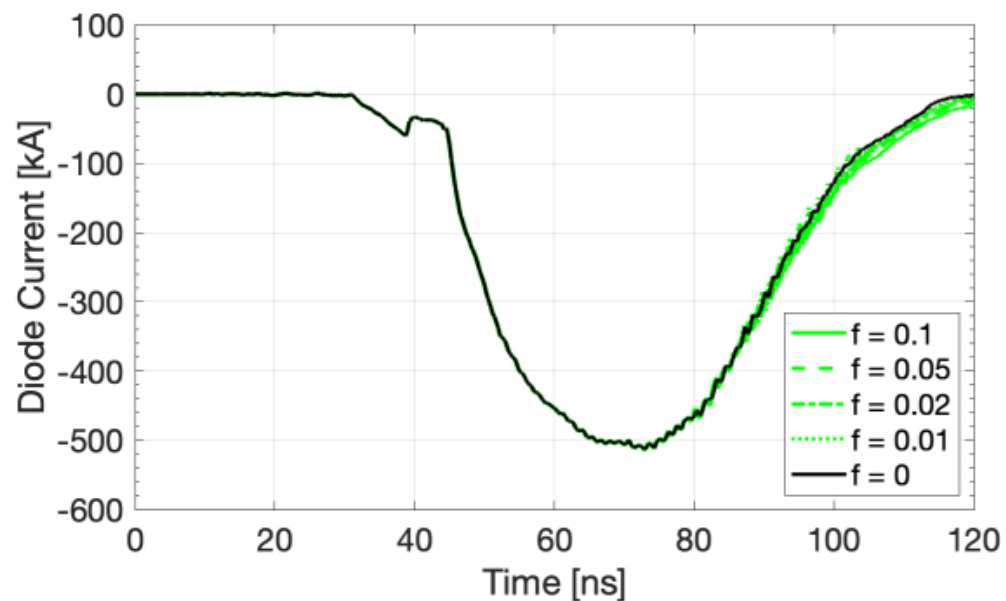
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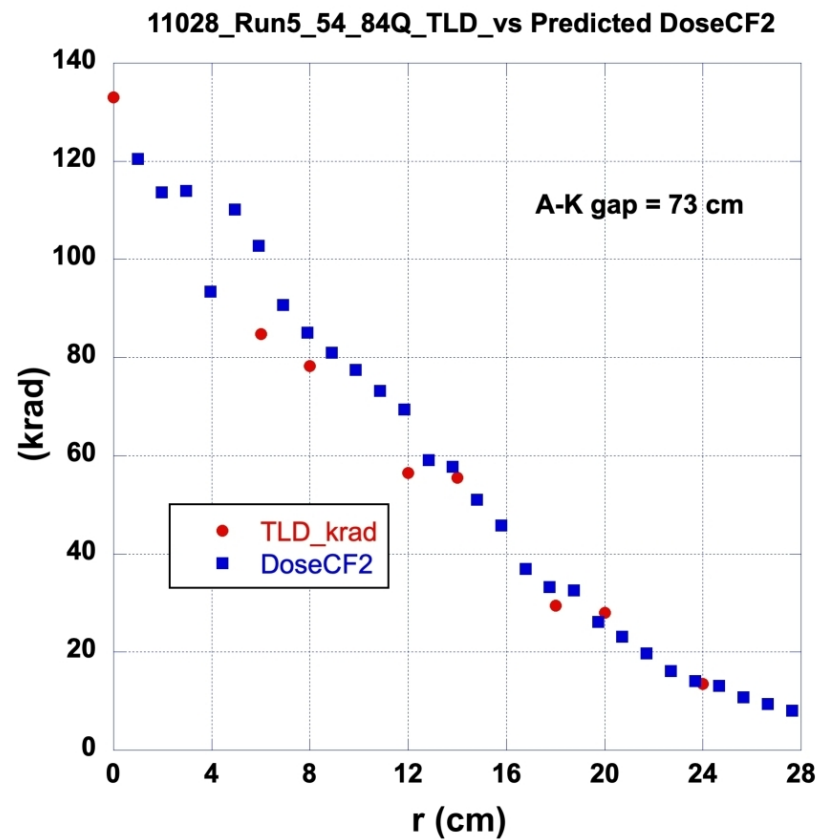
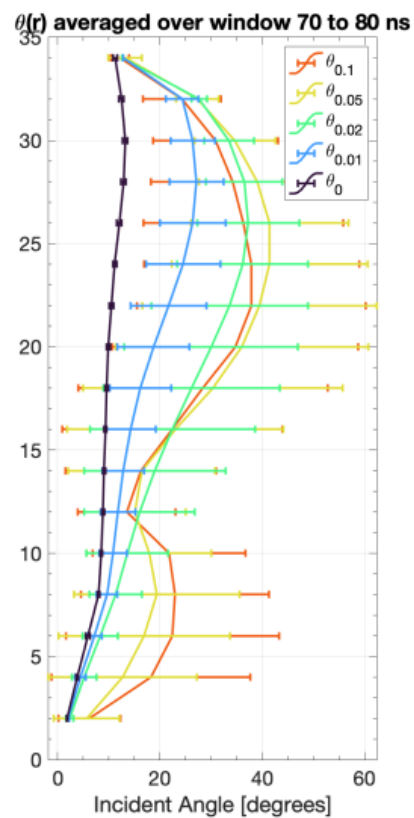
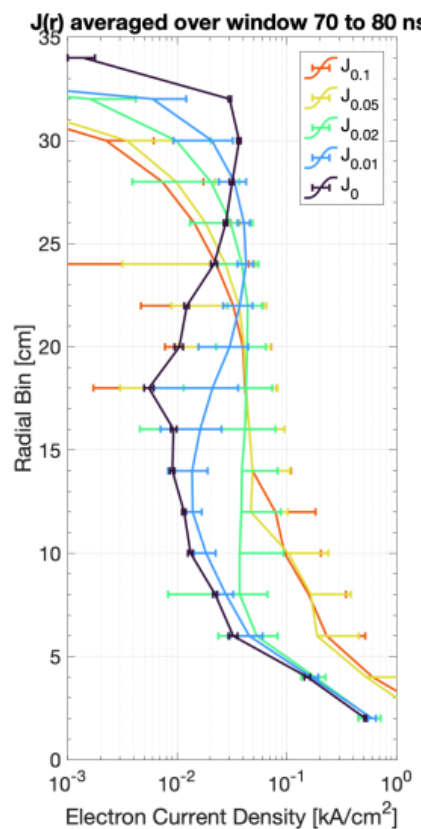
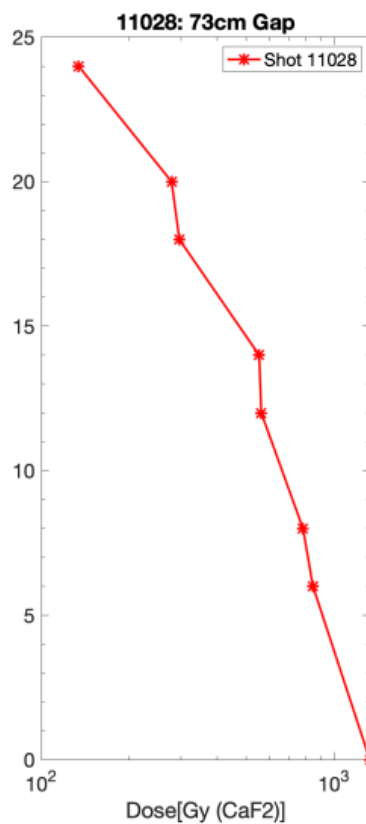




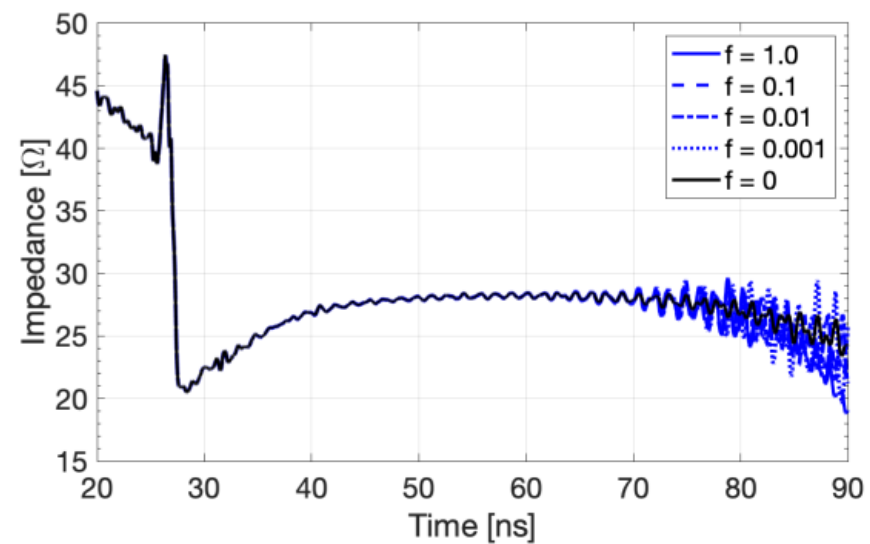
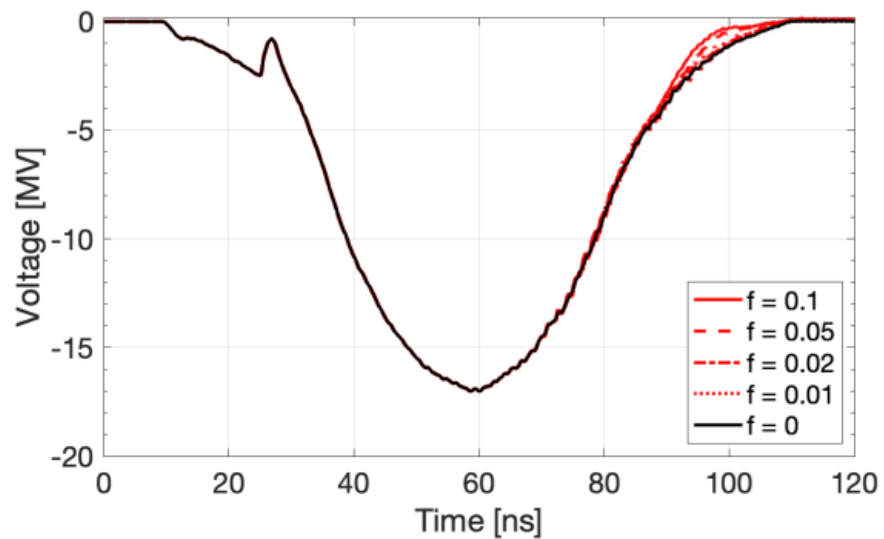
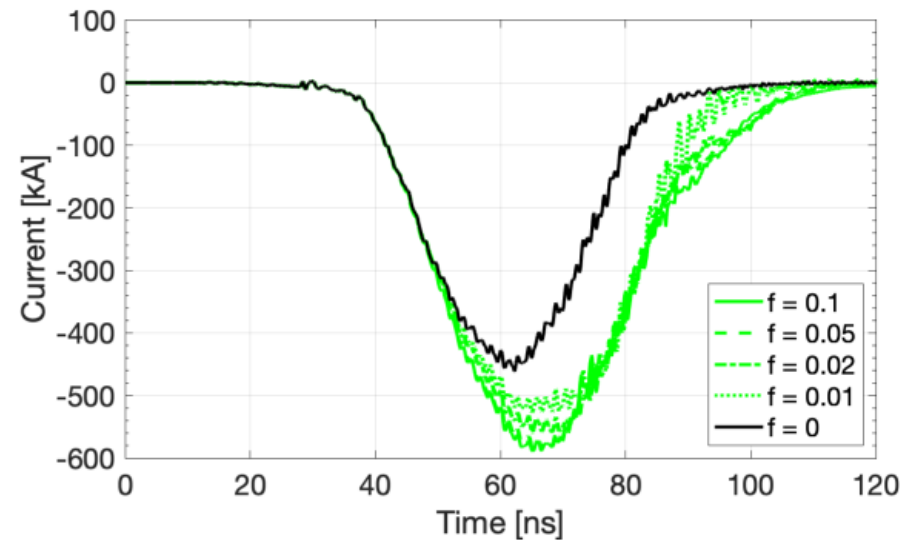
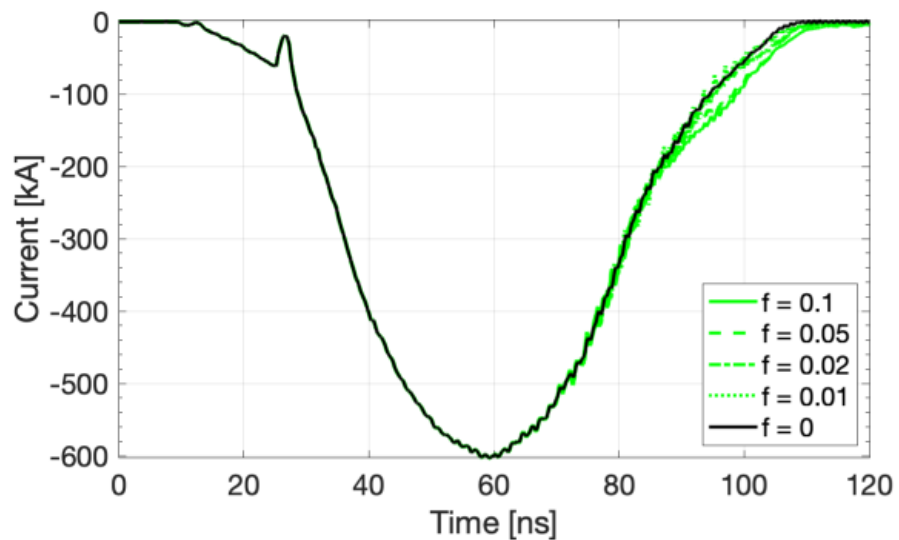


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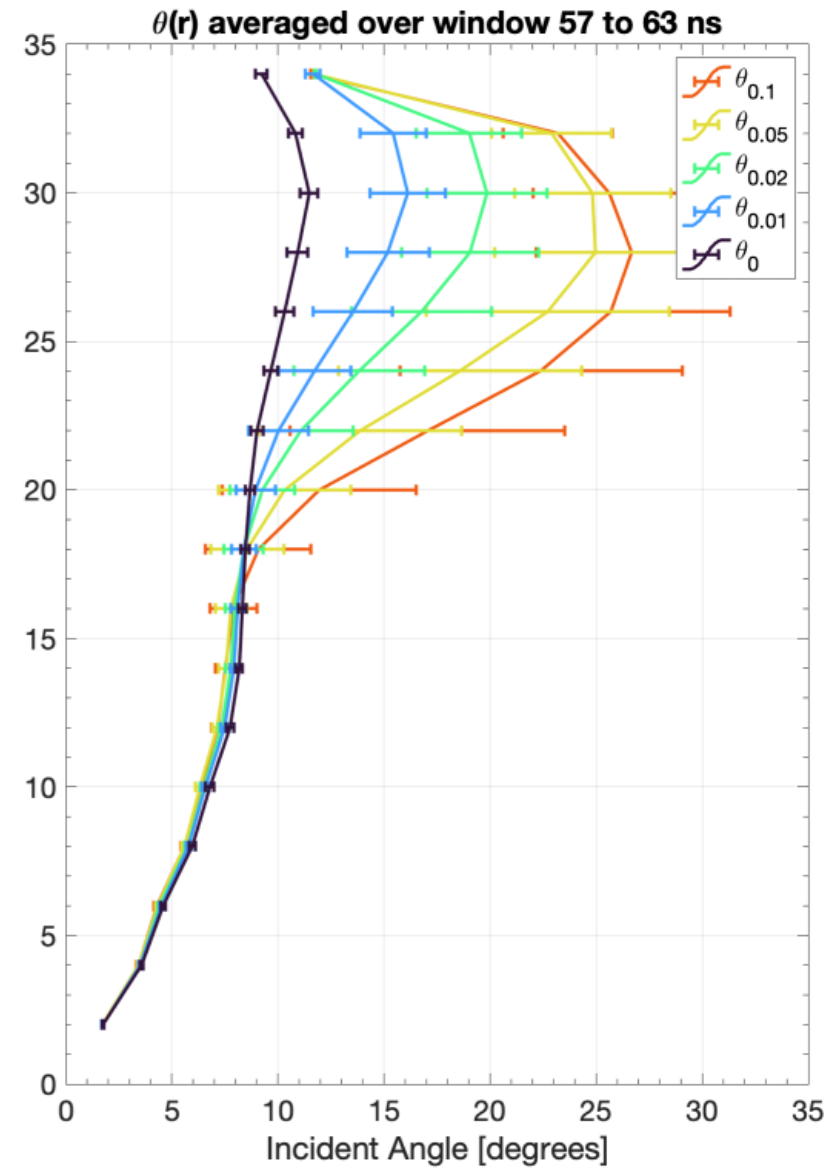
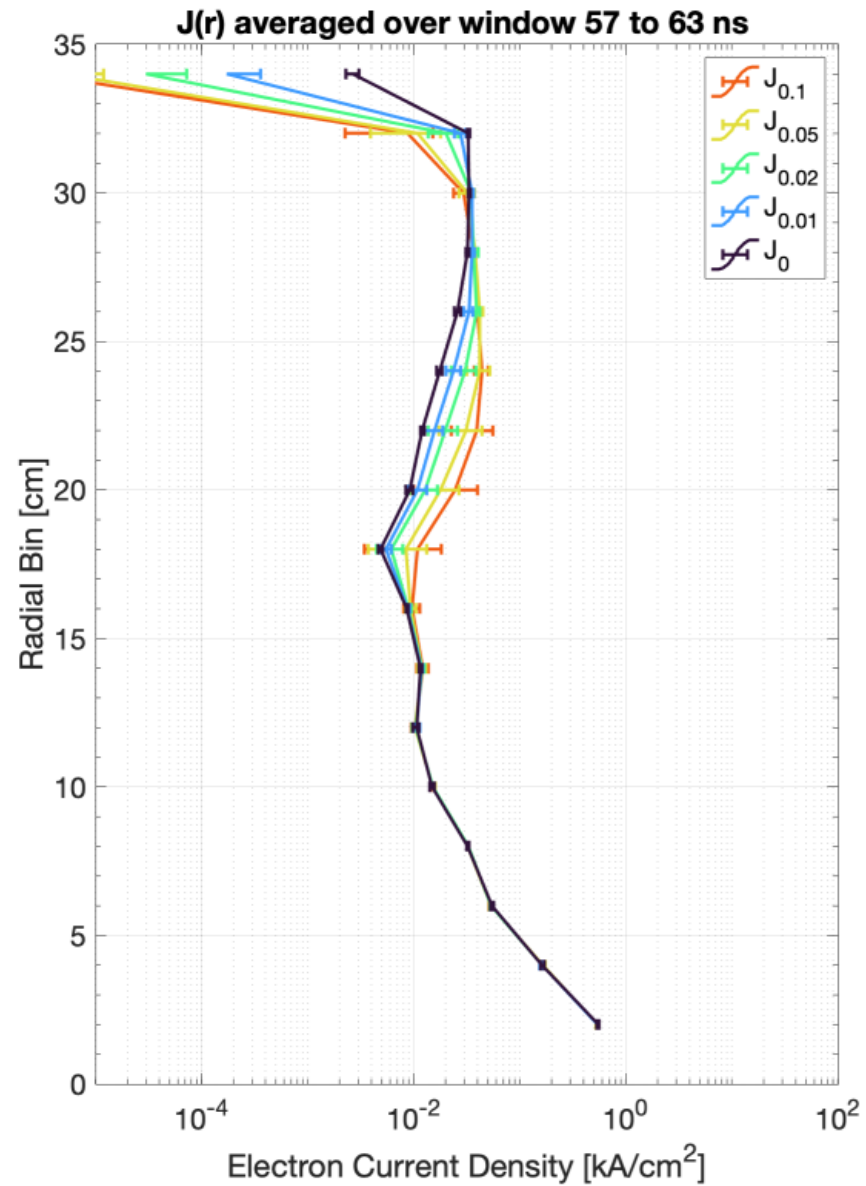




88cm AK Gap



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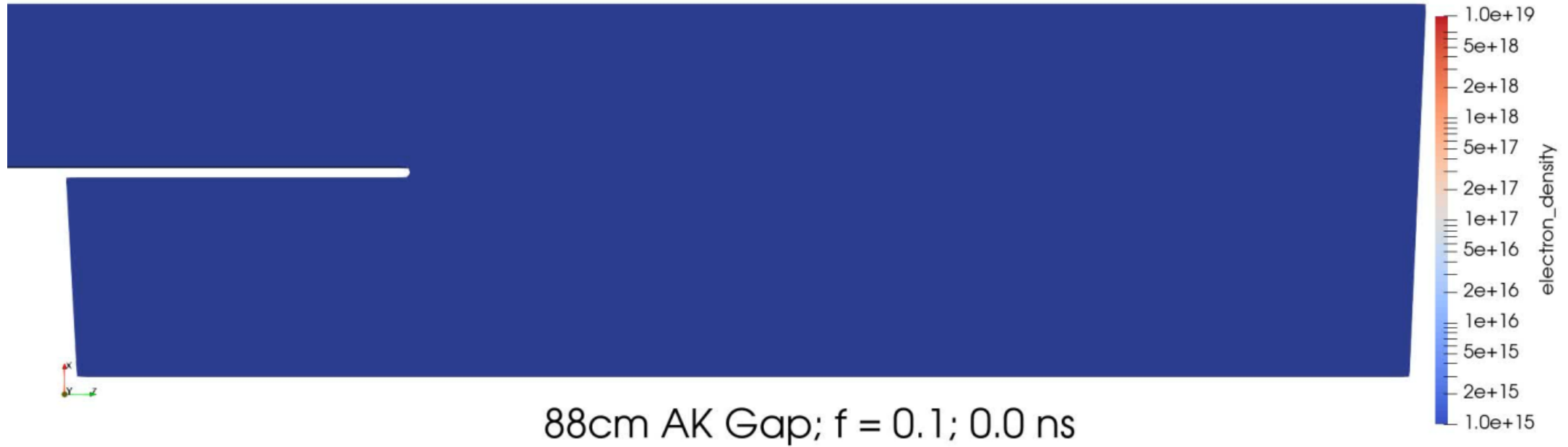




88cm Gap, ions off 0.0 ns



88cm AK Gap



Conclusions and Future Work



Secondary ions play a large role in pinching the HERMES electron beam

Pulse replication works nicely in EMPIRE

- FN emission should help leading edge of pulse

Voltage and current play a large role in maintaining magnetic insulation in extended AK gaps

Secondary ions are a likely suspect for the increased dose (lower incident angles)

Cannot accurately predict dose with EMPIRE just yet

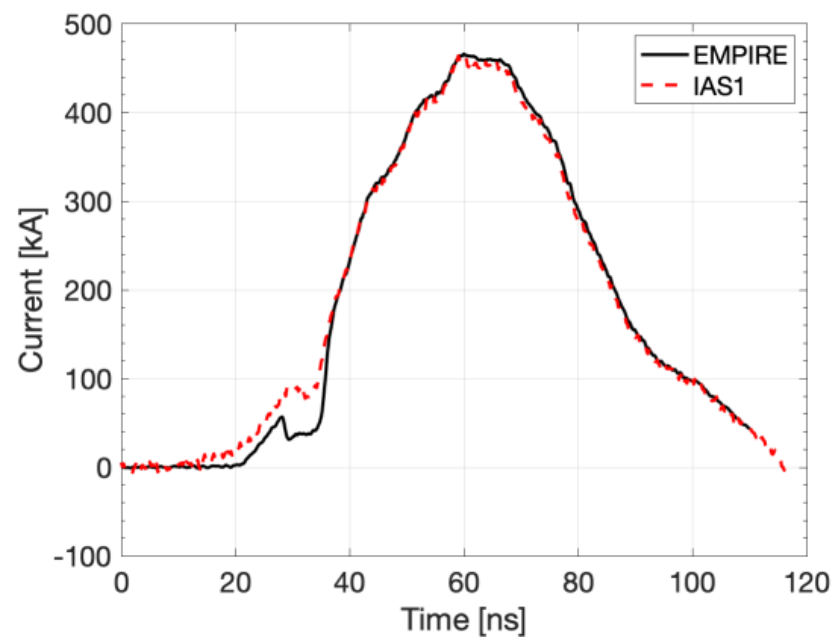
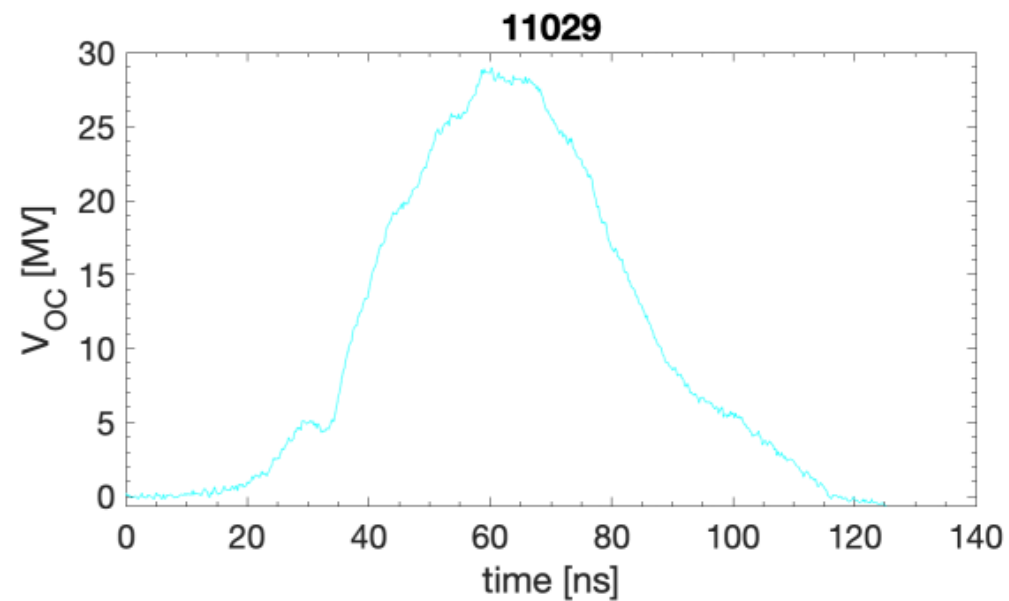
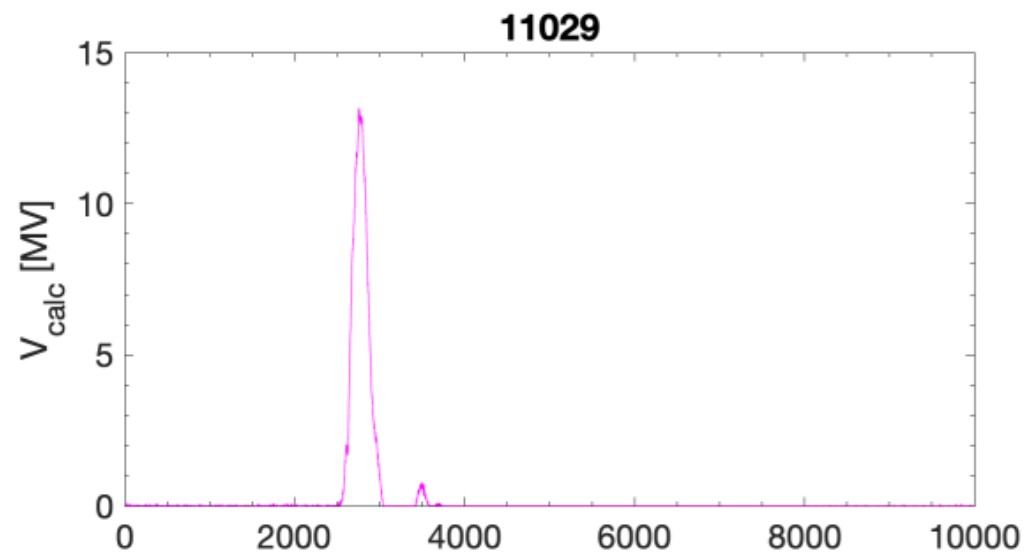
- EMPIRE-ITS capability nearly ready
- Need to model graphite plug in diode



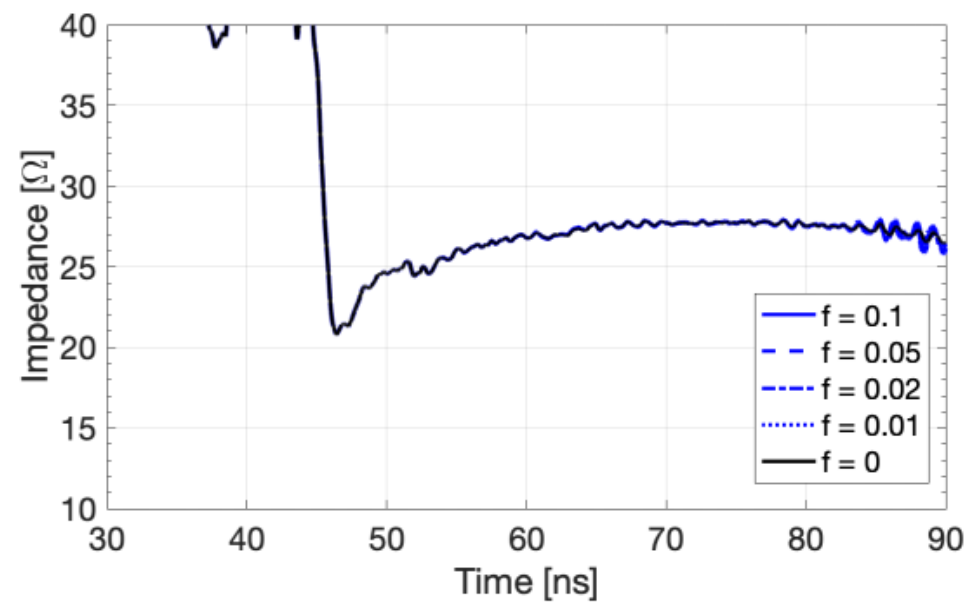
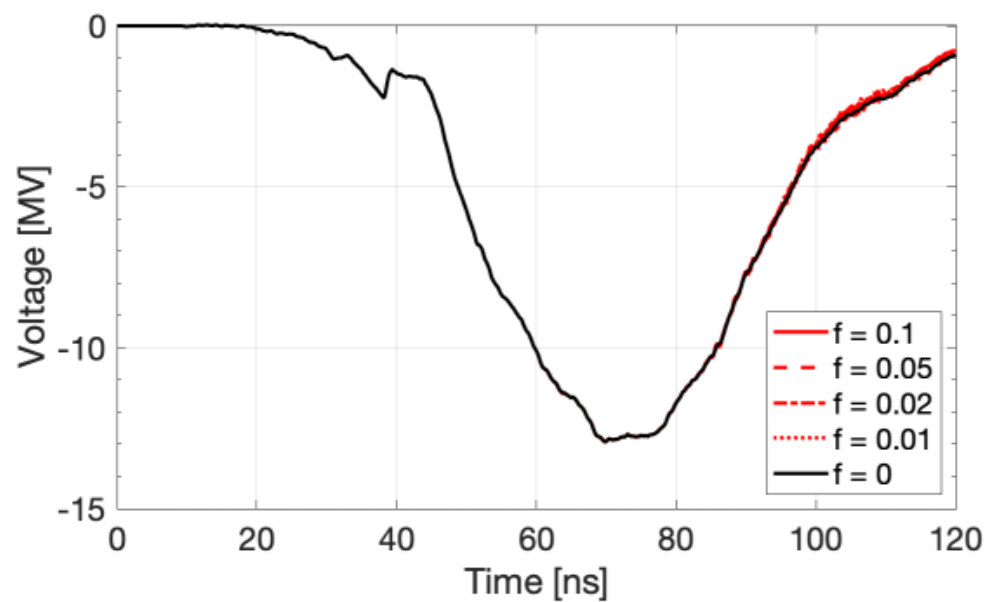
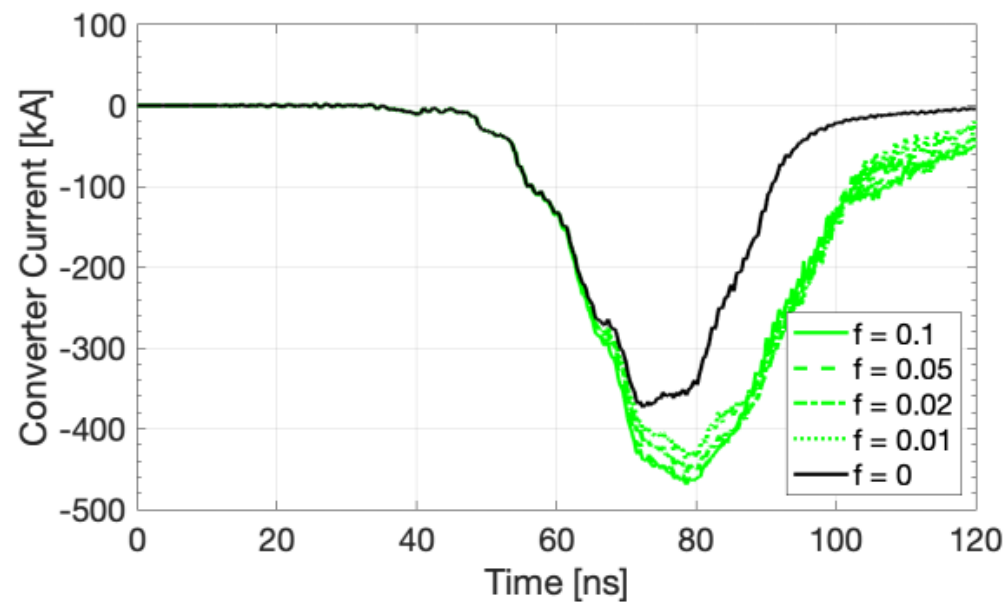
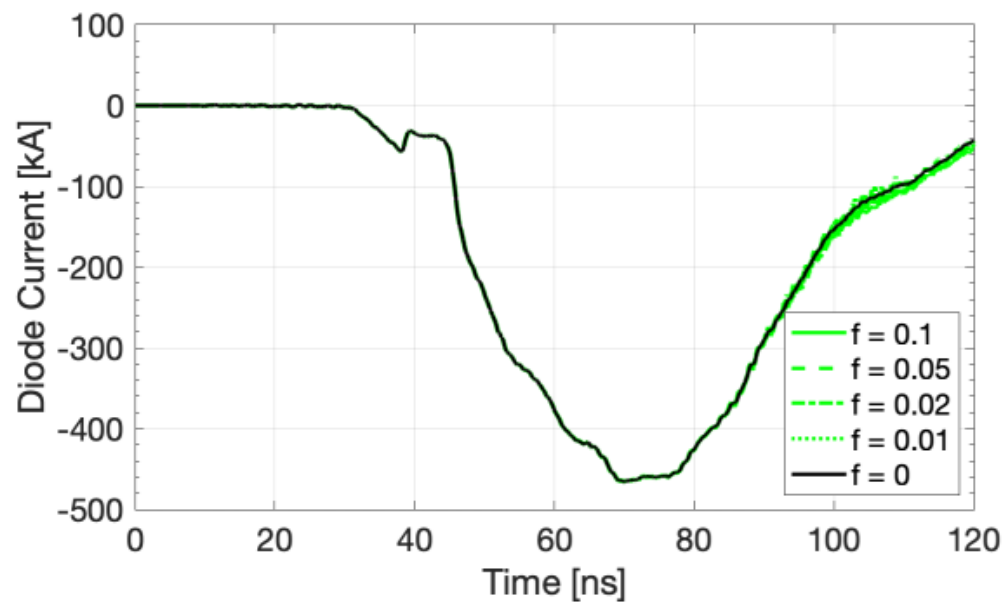
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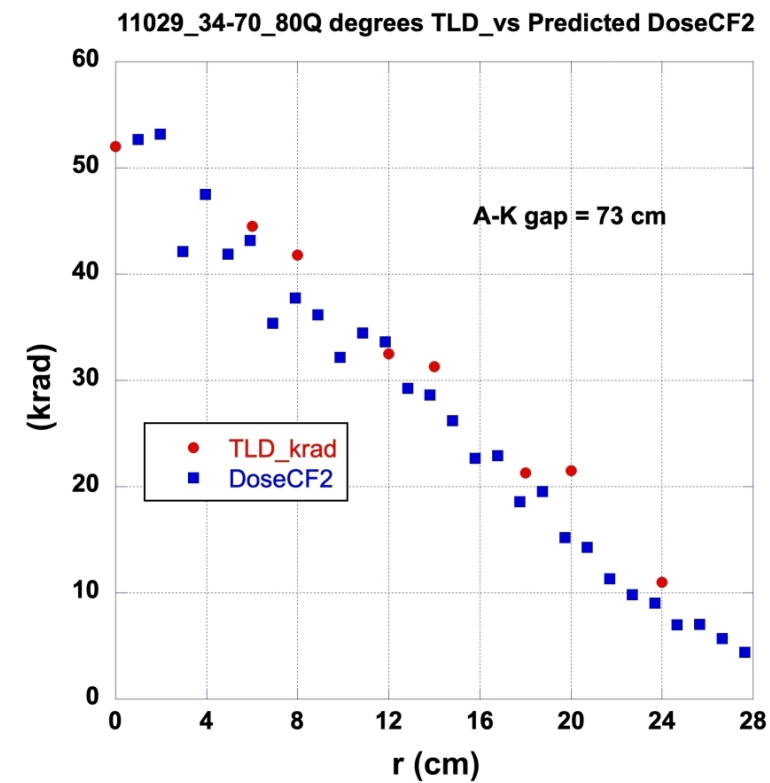
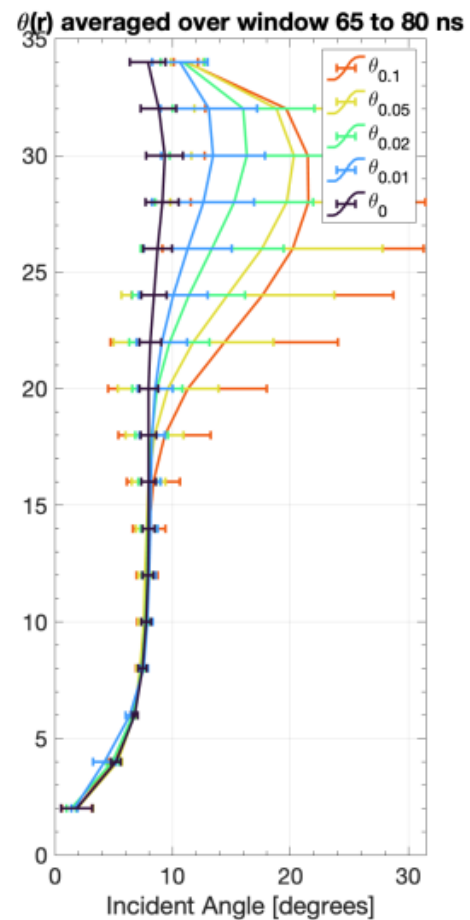
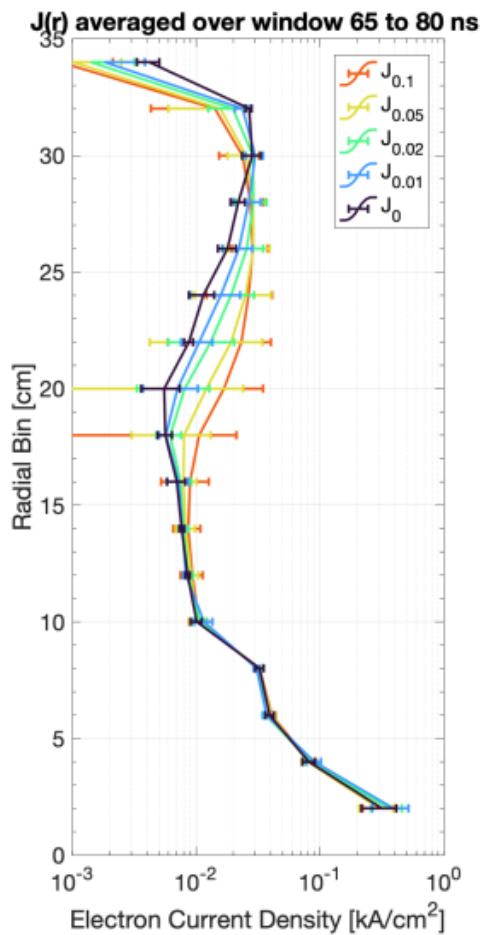
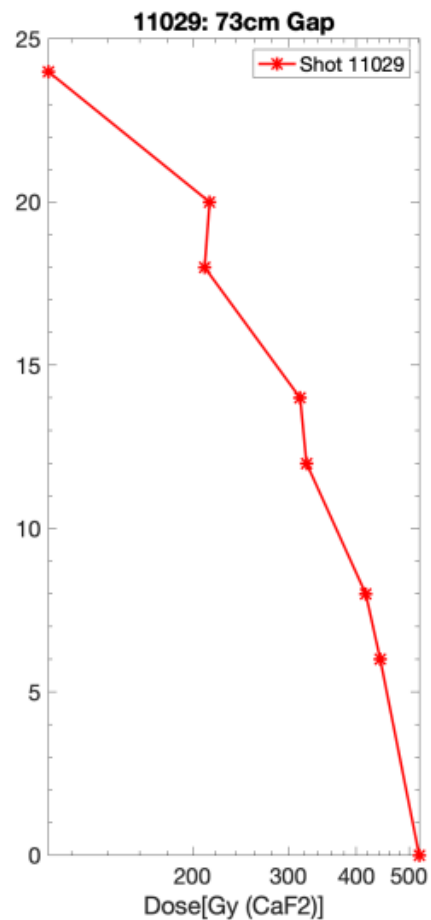
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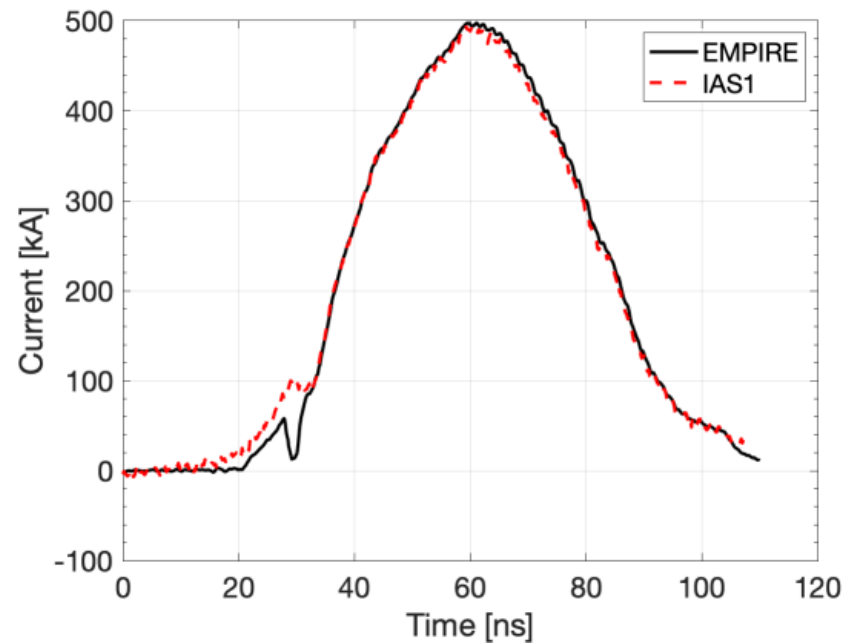
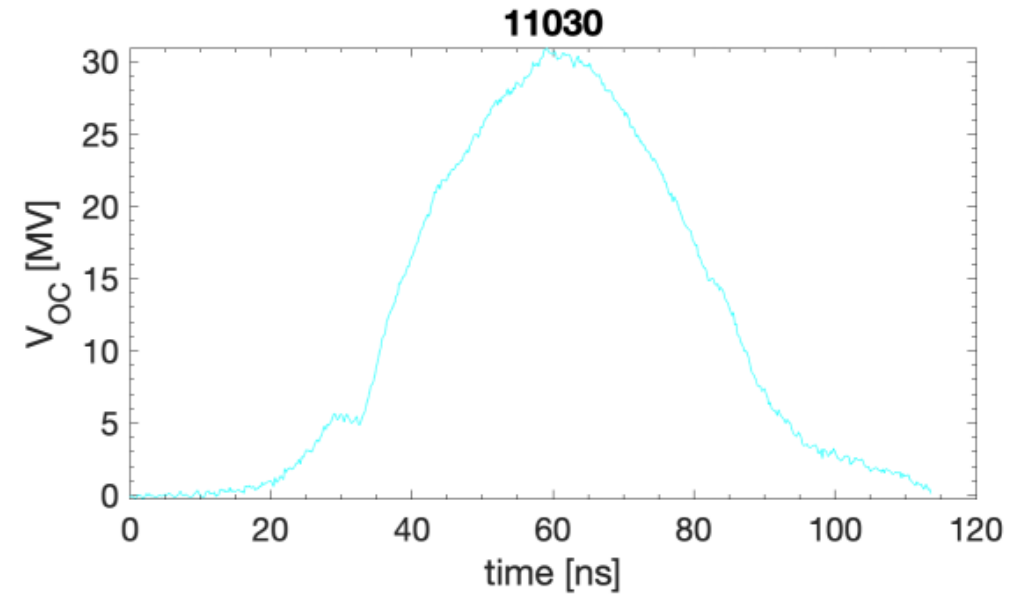
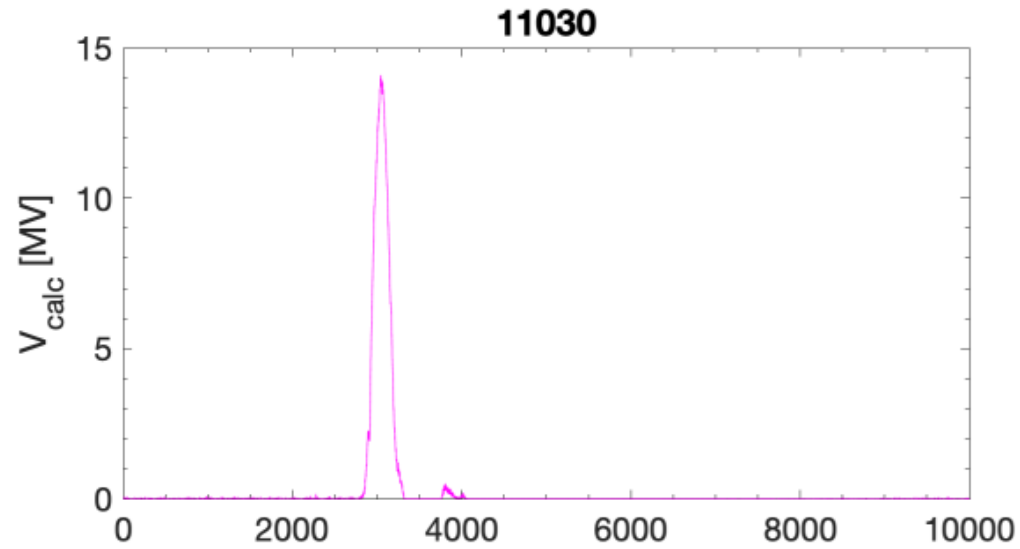




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