Cryogenic Jet Target for MAGIX: Development and Optimization

• Proton radius still a mystery, even after decades of research?

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- Proton form factors determination at a high precision through e-p scattering with the MAGIX experiment at MESA
- **Background reduction** by delivering the protons through the **windowless** MAGIX gas jet target developed at the University of Münster
- Target thickness of more than 10¹⁸ atoms/cm² at the interaction point, at a temperature of 40 K and a flow rate of 40 l/min when operated with hydrogen
- Hydrogen gas is precooled at the booster stage, which is then guided at the dual-stage cold head to reach the desired temperature
- By the gas expansion through a converging-diverging **de Laval nozzle** (narrowest diameter of 200 μm), continuous **jet target** is generated

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jet target

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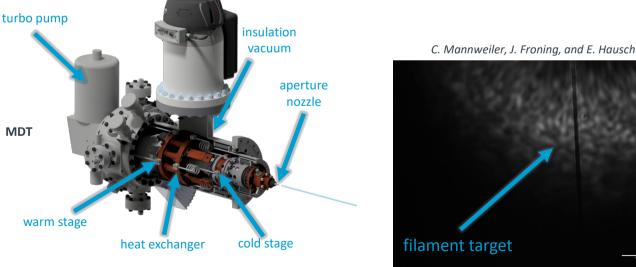
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- The Münster Droplet Target (MDT) uses hydrogen as the target material with a flow rate of 160 ml/min •
- Continuous filament jet structures with a maximal target thickness of 4.5 · 10¹⁹ atoms/cm² (MAGIX gas • jet target reaches 10¹⁸ atoms/cm²) are generated at a temperature of 16 K and a pressure of 1 bar by using an aperture nozzle with a diameter of 10 μ m.
- MDT uses a lower flow rate for the operation, thus providing better vacuum conditions (10⁻⁴ mbar) and enhanced cooling conditions (no booster stage needed).
- **Filamentary operation** is proposed to be tested at the A1/MAMI facility •

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Future goals:

- Development of the target through **numerical simulations** of the **jet formation** in • the nozzle and the jet propagation
- Optimization of the stagnation conditions and nozzle geometry through iterative ۰ simulations
- Simulations to see if a filamentary operation is possible at the MAGIX Gas Jet Target •
- Installing and testing of the aperture nozzle at A1/MAMI for further optimization
- **Production** of the newly designed nozzle and ٠ initial testing at the University of Münster

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Commissioning and **installation** of the target ۰ at MESA

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cold head

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