

Neutronics Parameters for Preferred Chamber Configuration with Magnetic Intervention

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Blanket Configuration

Top Blanket:

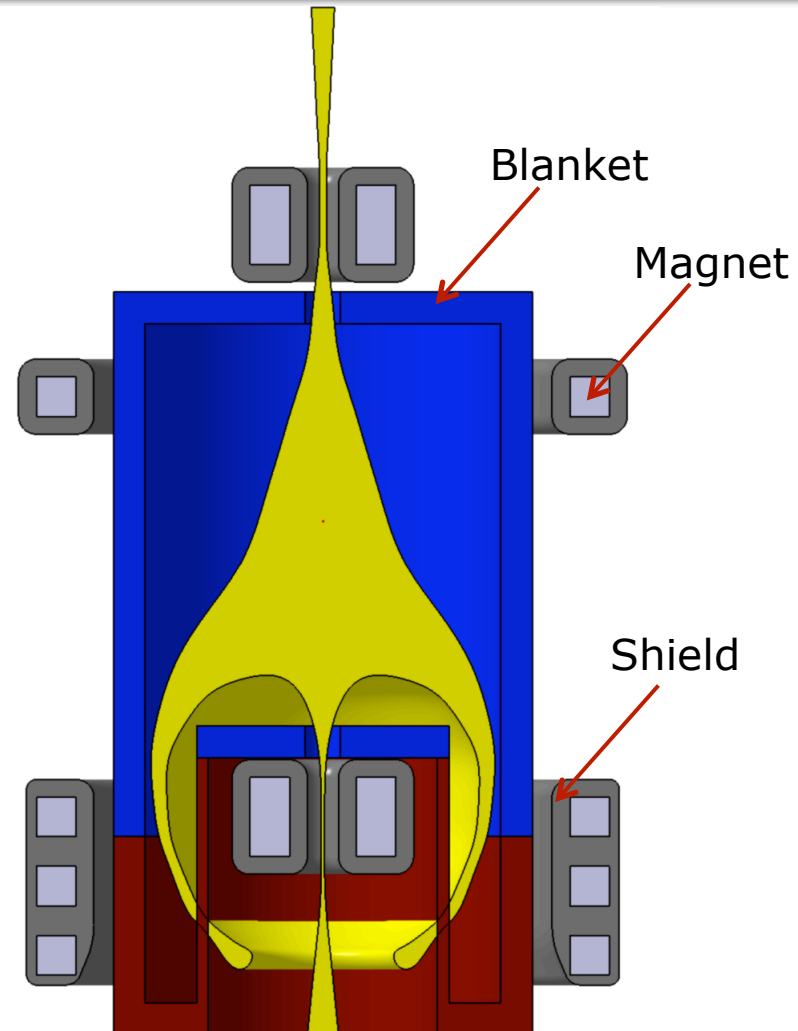
- 5 m above target
- 4.5 m outer radius
- 0.45 m inner radius

Bottom Blanket:

- 5.2 m below target
- 3.2 m outer radius
- 0.45 m inner radius

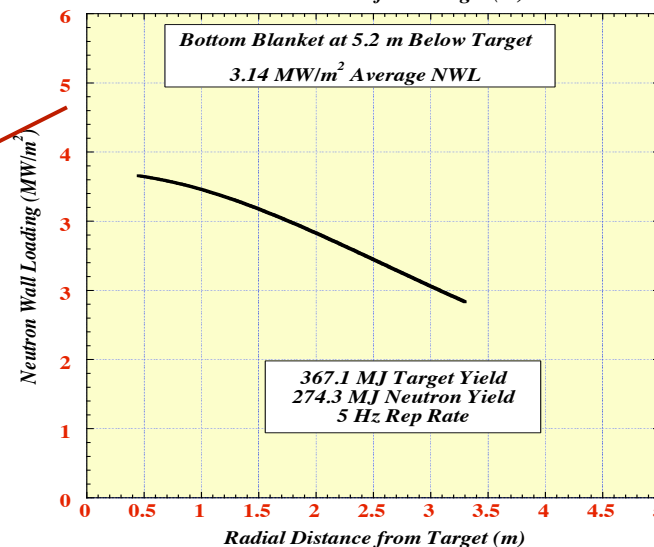
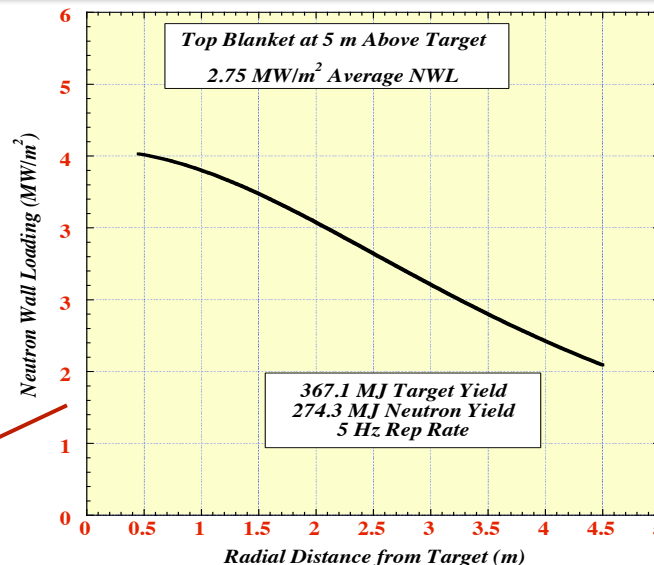
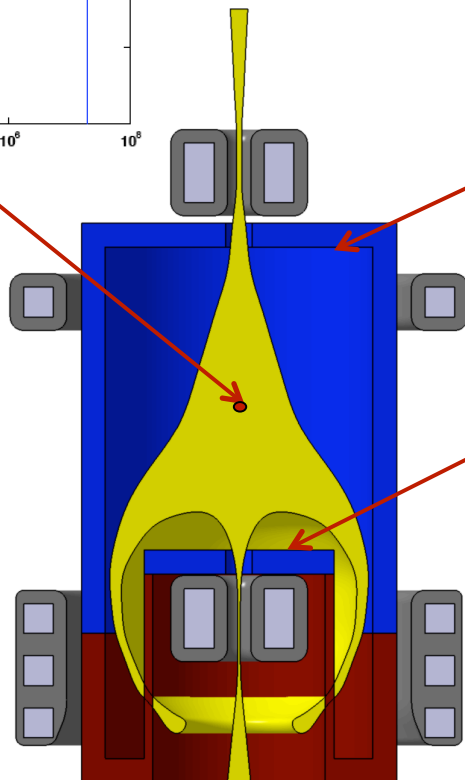
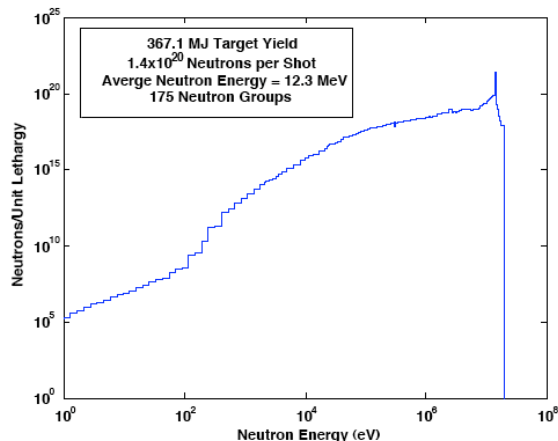
Side Blanket:

- 4.5 m radius
- 13 m height
 - ❑ 5 m above target
 - ❑ 8 m below target



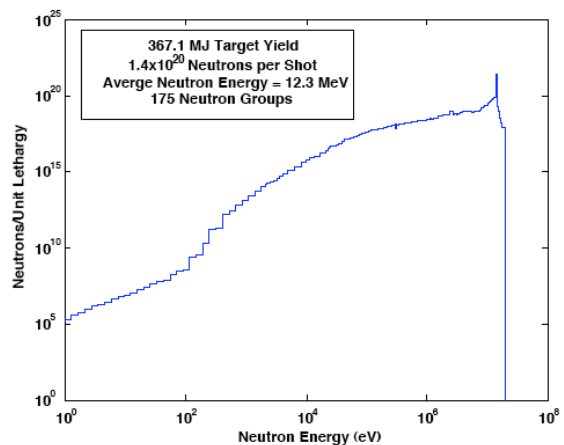


Neutron Wall Loading Distribution (Top and Bottom Blankets)

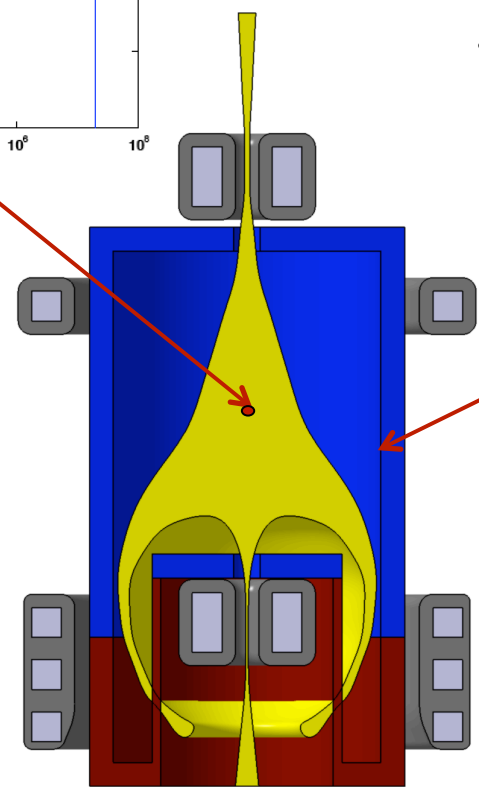




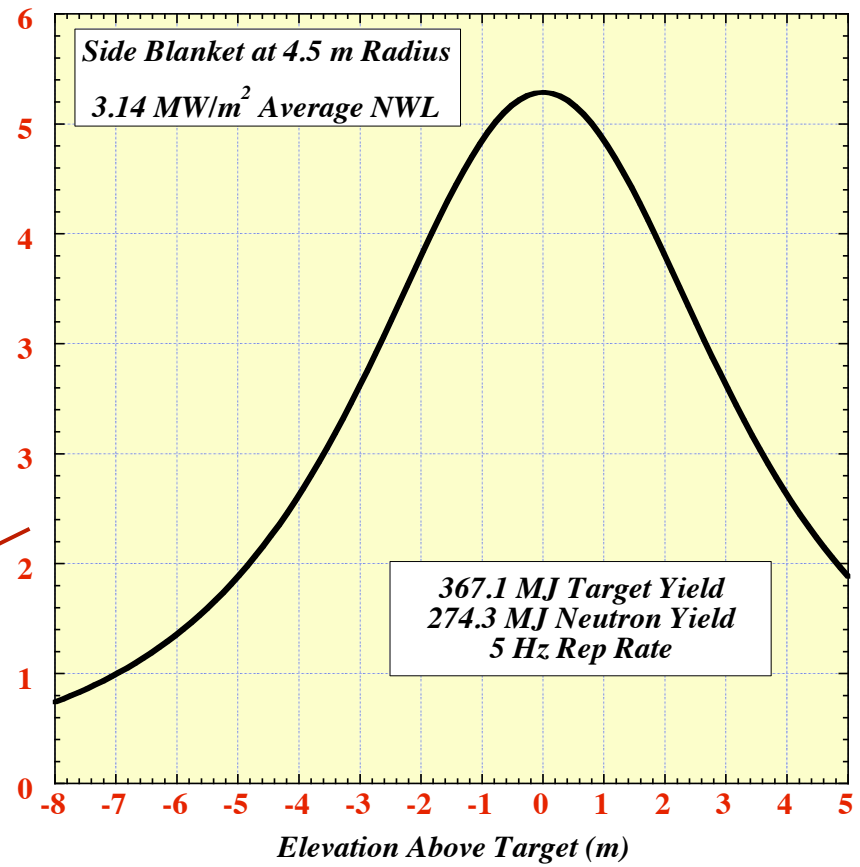
Neutron Wall Loading Distribution (Side Blanket)



Peak Neutron Wall Loading is 5.4 MW/m² in side blanket at target level



Neutron Wall Loading (MW/m²)





Blanket Design Options

- Two blanket design options considered with low electrical conductivity SiC_f/SiC composite structure (required for dissipating the magnetic energy resistively)
 - LiPb/SiC
 - Flibe/Be/SiC
- With Flibe a 1 cm thick Be insert is attached to back wall of FW coolant channel

Nuclear Design Requirements

➤ Tritium self-sufficiency

Overall TBR >1.1

- Breeding blanket coverage lost by the two point cusps is 0.4%
- Breeding blanket coverage lost by 40 beam ports is 0.7%
- Total breeding blanket coverage lost is negligible 1.1%

➤ Shield and VV are lifetime components

Peak end-of-life radiation damage <200 dpa

➤ Magnet is lifetime component

Peak fast neutron fluence $<10^{19}$ n/cm² (E >0.1 MeV)

Peak insulator dose $<10^{10}$ Rads

➤ Vacuum vessel is reweldable

Peak end-of-life He production <1 He appm



Dimensions That Satisfy All Nuclear Design Requirements

	Flibe Blanket	LiPb Blanket
Blanket Thickness (cm)	100	80
Lithium Enrichment	7.5% Li-6	10% Li-6
Magnet Shield Thickness (cm)	25	45
Vacuum Vessel Thickness (cm)	10	10



Tritium Breeding

	Flibe Blanket	LiPb Blanket
<i>Local TBR</i>	1.204	1.217
Top Blanket Contribution to TBR (12.57% coverage)	0.151	0.153
Bottom Blanket Contribution to TBR (7.16% coverage)	0.086	0.087
Side Blanket Contribution to TBR (79.18% coverage)	0.953	0.964
<i>Overall TBR</i>	1.190	1.204



Nuclear Heating

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	Flibe Blanket	LiPb Blanket
<i>Peak Nuclear Heating in Blanket (W/cm³)</i>		
<i>SiC</i>	28	28
<i>Be</i>	33	--
<i>Breeder</i>	41	80
<i>Blanket Nuclear Energy Multiplication</i>	1.232	1.168
Top Blanket Nuclear Heating (MW) (12.57% coverage)	212.4	201.4
Bottom Blanket Nuclear Heating (MW) (7.16% coverage)	121.0	114.8
Side Blanket Nuclear Heating (MW) (79.18% coverage)	1338.0	1268.9
<i>Total Blanket Nuclear Heating (MW)</i>	1671.4	1585.1



Peak Damage Parameters in Blanket

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	Flibe Blanket	LiPb Blanket
Peak SiC Atomic Displacements per FPY		
C Sublattice (dpa/FPY)	40	83
Si Sublattice (dpa/FPY)	42	63
Average in SiC (dpa/FPY)	41	73
Peak SiC Helium Production per FPY		
C Sublattice (appm/FPY)	7,314	7,059
Si Sublattice (appm/FPY)	2,172	1,957
Average in SiC (appm/FPY)	4,743	4,508
Peak SiC Hydrogen Production per FPY		
C Sublattice (appm/FPY)	4	4
Si Sublattice (appm/FPY)	3,862	3,512
Average in SiC (appm/FPY)	1,933	1,758
Peak SiC Burnup per FPY		
C Sublattice (%/FPY)	0.32%	0.29%
Si Sublattice (%/FPY)	0.60%	0.54%
Total in SiC (%/FPY)	0.92%	0.83%

Peak Damage Parameters in Shield, Magnet, and VV

	Flibe Blanket	LiPb Blanket	Design Limit
Peak EOL Shield Damage (dpa)	0.04	3.6	200
Peak EOL Magnet Fast Neutron Fluence (n/cm ²)	1.03x10¹⁸	2.84x10¹⁷	10¹⁹
Peak EOL magnet insulator dose (Rads)	3.39x10⁹	4.32x10⁹	10¹⁰
Peak EOL VV He production (appm)			
FS	0.12	0.50	1
SS	2.9	487	1

Summary and Conclusions

- All neutronics requirements can be satisfied with a Flibe/Be/SiC or a LiPb/SiC blanket in HAPL with the present magnetic intervention configuration
- Tritium self-sufficiency can be achieved for both blankets with overall TBR >1.1
- ~5% higher blanket nuclear heating obtained with Flibe
- Peak dpa values in SiC are ~80% higher in LiPb blanket but peak gas production and burnup values are ~10% lower
- The shield is lifetime component and magnets are well shielded for both blanket design options
- The vacuum vessel is reweldable if it is made of ferritic steel
- If austenitic SS VV is used, it will be difficult to meet rewelding criterion with LiPb blanket while rewelding will be possible with Flibe blanket if thickness is increased by ~10 cm