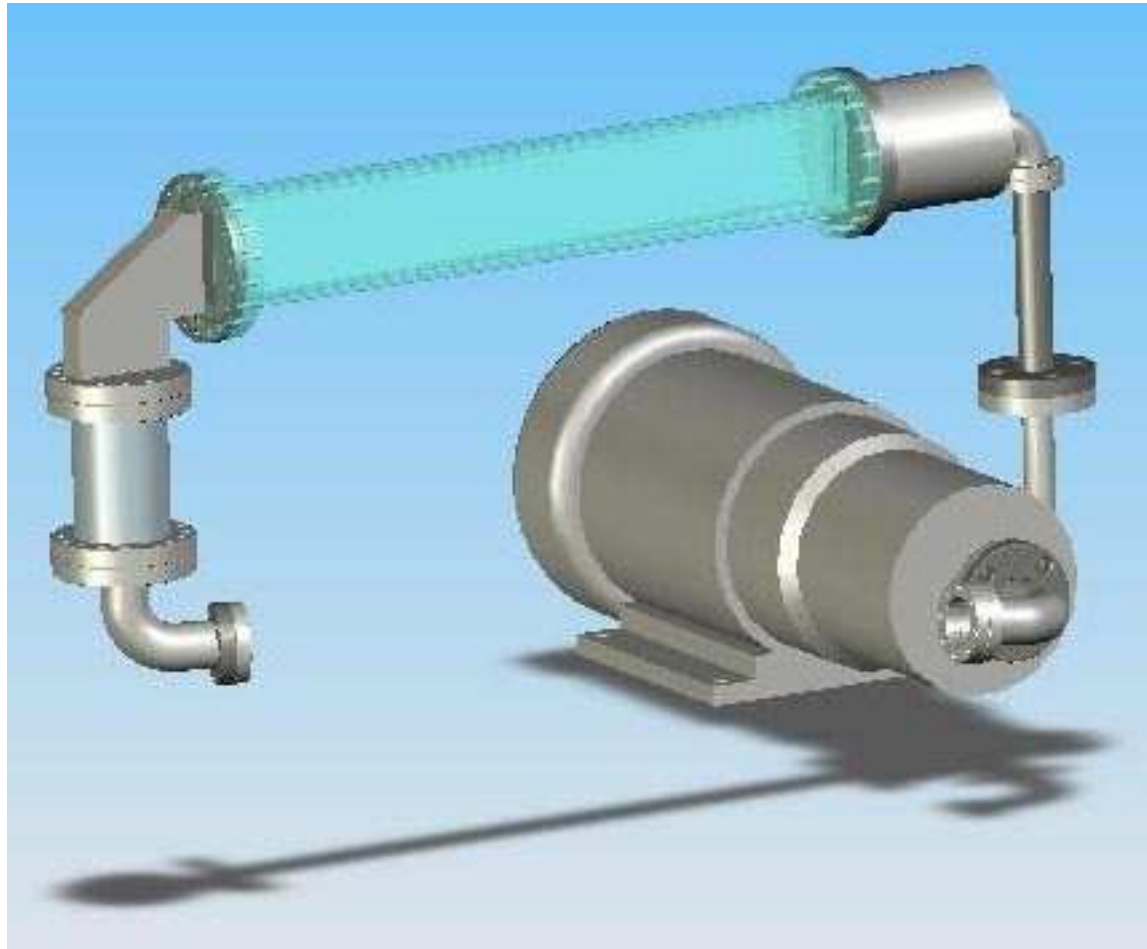


Nozzle R&D for a 20-m/s, 1-cm-diameter Mercury Jet



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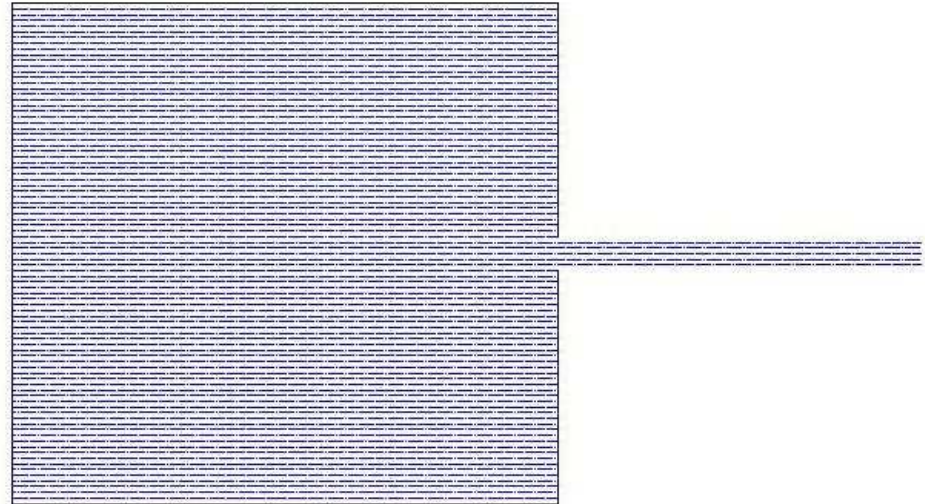
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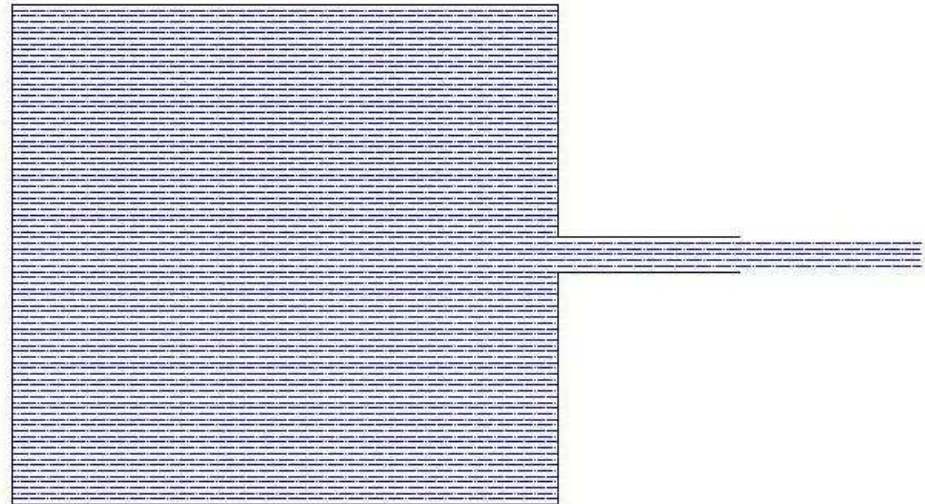
Reservoir at pressure P with small aperture:

$$v_{\text{reservoir}} \approx 0, \quad v_{\text{jet}} = \sqrt{\frac{2P}{\rho}}.$$

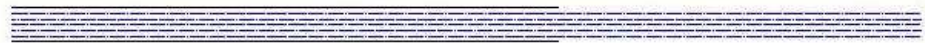
Jet emerges perpendicular to the plane of the aperture.



Reservoir + short nozzle:



No reservoir, just a straight tube. $v_{\text{jet}} = v_{\text{tube}}$:



Most nozzle R&D is concerned with making a jet break up quickly and uniformly (atomizing), rather than with preserving the jet.

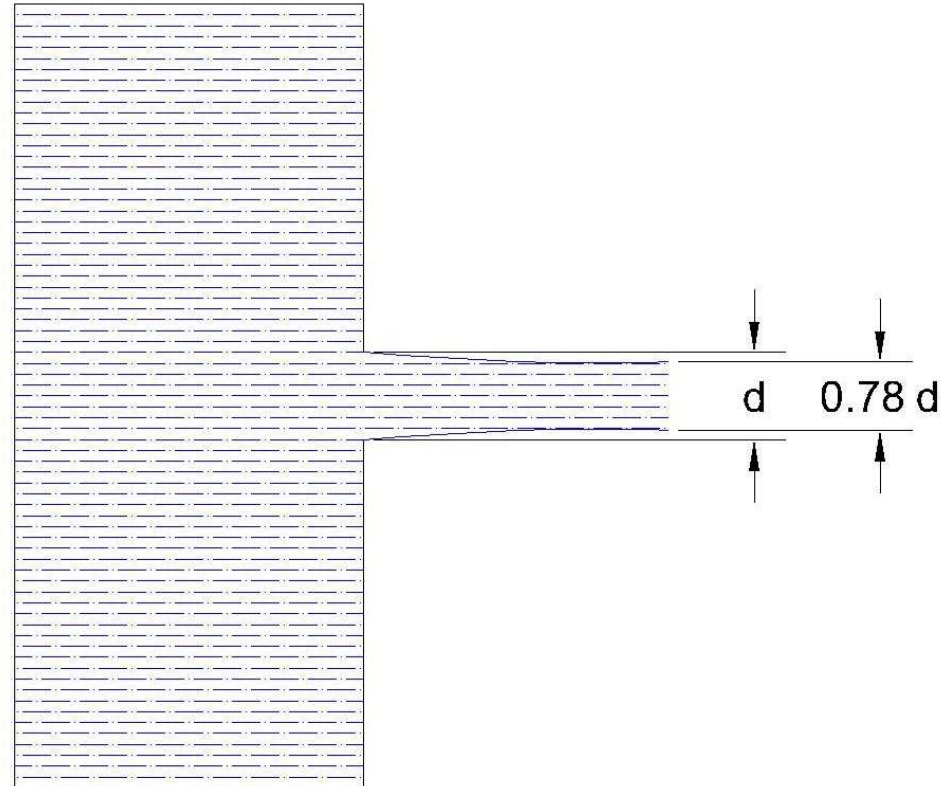
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A jet emerging from a small aperture in a reservoir contracts in area:

$$A_{\text{jet}} = \frac{\pi}{\pi + 2} A_{\text{aperture}} = 0.62 A_{\text{aperture}}$$

$$d_{\text{jet}} = 0.78 d_{\text{aperture}}$$

Cavitation can be induced by a sharp-edged aperture.



Mercury Jet Parameters

- Diameter $d = 1$ cm.
- Velocity $v = 20$ m/s.
- The volume flow rate of mercury in the jet is

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Flow Rate} = vA &= 2000 \text{ cm/s} \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} d^2 = 1571 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s} = 1.57 \text{ l/s} = 0.412 \text{ gallon/s} \\ &= 94.2 \text{ l/min} = 24.7 \text{ gpm.}\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

- The power in the jet (associated with its kinetic energy) is

$$\text{Power} = \frac{1}{2} \rho \cdot \text{Flow Rate} \cdot v^2 = \frac{13.6 \times 10^3}{2} \cdot 0.00157 \cdot (20)^2 = 4270 \text{ W} = 5.73 \text{ hp.}\tag{2}$$

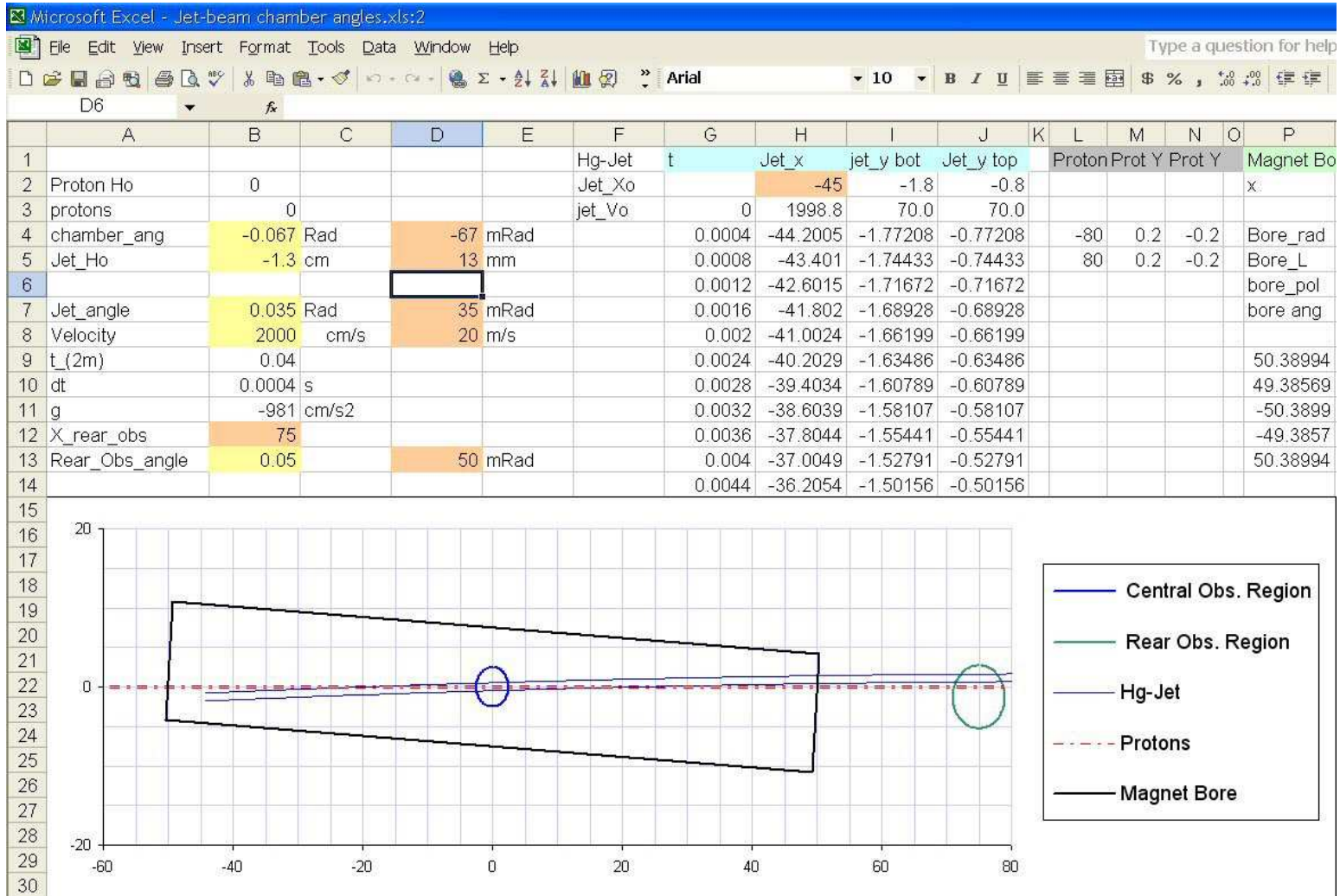
- To produce the 20-m/s jet into air/vacuum out of a nozzle requires a pressure

$$\text{Pressure} = \frac{1}{2} \rho v^2 = 27.2 \text{ atm} = 410 \text{ psi.}\tag{3}$$

- The mercury jet flow is turbulent: the viscosity is $\mu_{\text{Hg}} = 1.5$ cP, so the Reynolds number is

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{\rho dv}{\mu} = 1.8 \times 10^6.\tag{4}$$

Mercury Jet + Proton Beam + 15-T Solenoid Magnet



Jacques Lettry:

At the center of the magnet, the centers of the mercury jet and the proton beam should coincide.

The nozzle should be about 45 cm upstream of the center of the magnet (whose bore is 15 cm).

Mercury jet comes up from below the proton beam at about 33 mrad (35 mrad in above table).

The top of the nozzle must be at least 5 mm from the proton beam (8 mm in above table).

Corcoran Centrifugal Pump

After a search for mercury-compatible commercial pumps that could exceed the above requirements, we purchased a 4000 Series, Model D-DH2(AA) centrifugal pump from R.S. Corcoran, powered by a 20-hp, 480 V motor from Baldor.



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Pumping Application 25 GPM at 71 FT TH. ^(Hg) (1.56 L/S @ 420 PSI)
SOLUTION OF MERCURY, TEMP. 20-80°C, SPEC. GRAVITY 13.6

Pump 4000 Series, Model: D-HD2 (AA)

Description: CLOSE-COUPLED, HEAVY-DUTY DESIGN, CENTRIFUGAL

Mat'l of Const. (All wetted parts): STAINLESS STEEL

Suction: 1 1/2" RF FLANGE (150#) Discharge: 1" RF FLANGE (300#)

Mechanical Seal: Type 6006-8B1-40V Size 2.125

Rotating face CARBON (BALANCED) Elastomer VITON

Stationary face SILICON CARBIDE Metal parts 316 S/S

Motor: 20 HP 1765 RPM 480 Volts AC 3 Ph 60 HZ
TEFC - PREM. EFFICIENT Enclosure 1.15 SF 256TC Frame

Quantity: 1 Unit Net Cost: \$ 4952

Shipping: 3-4 WEEKS FOB: FACTORY Approx. Shipping Wt.: 375 LBS.

- Notes:
1. REFERENCE CURVE NO. 4-1501-17.
 2. REFERENCE BASIC DIMENSIONAL DRAWING.
 3. REFERENCE MOTOR DATA.
 4. RECOMMEND SLOW START USING VFD CONTROLLER (NOT SUPPLIED BY CORCORAN).
 5. **OPTION: VFD MOTOR, 5000 RPM MAX., NET PRICE ADDER = \$572.**

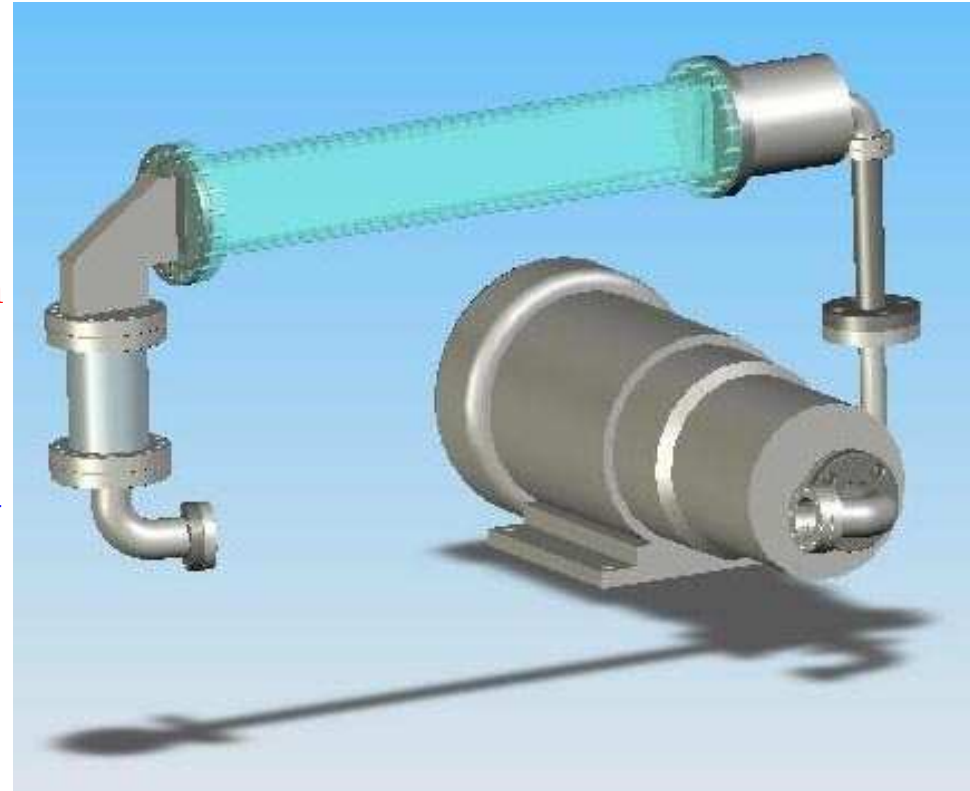
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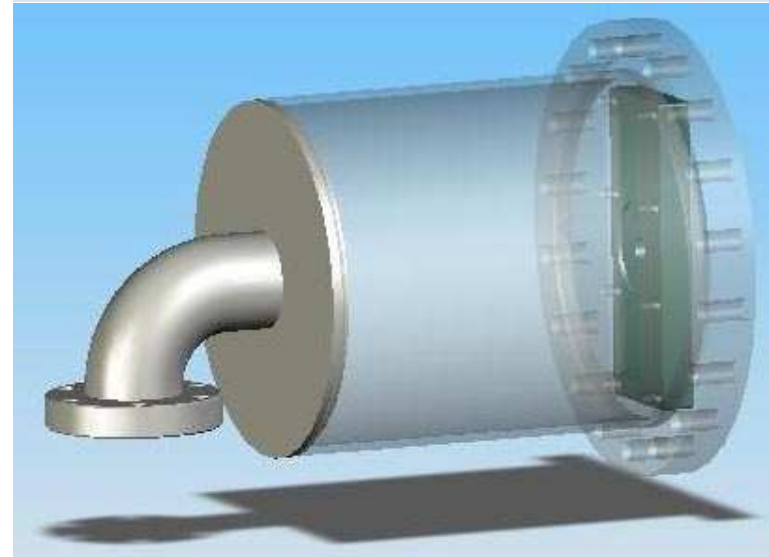
Nozzle Test Mercury Loop

Mercury loop with horizontal jet viewable for 30" in a lexan channel.

Lexan outer containment vessel sitting in a stainless-steel pan.

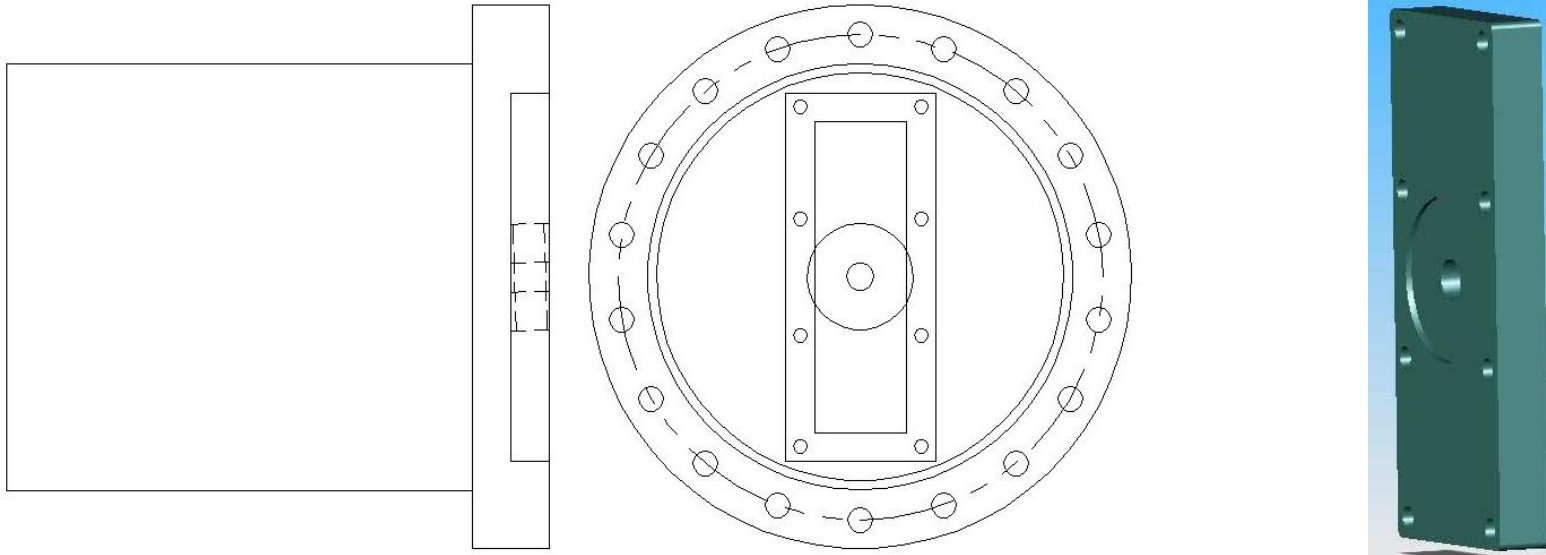


Mercury reservoir, 6" long, 5.5" diameter, with replacable nozzle plate.



Nozzle Plate

The aperture in the nozzle plate is tilted by 35 mrad with respect to the axis of the mercury reservoir.



Nozzle plates will be built with the aperture offset from the center, with a dummy proton beam pipe, and/or a short tube-type nozzle.

