

# Temperature Programmed Desorption Upgrade for the Sample Exposure Probe for LTX- $\beta$ Surface Analysis

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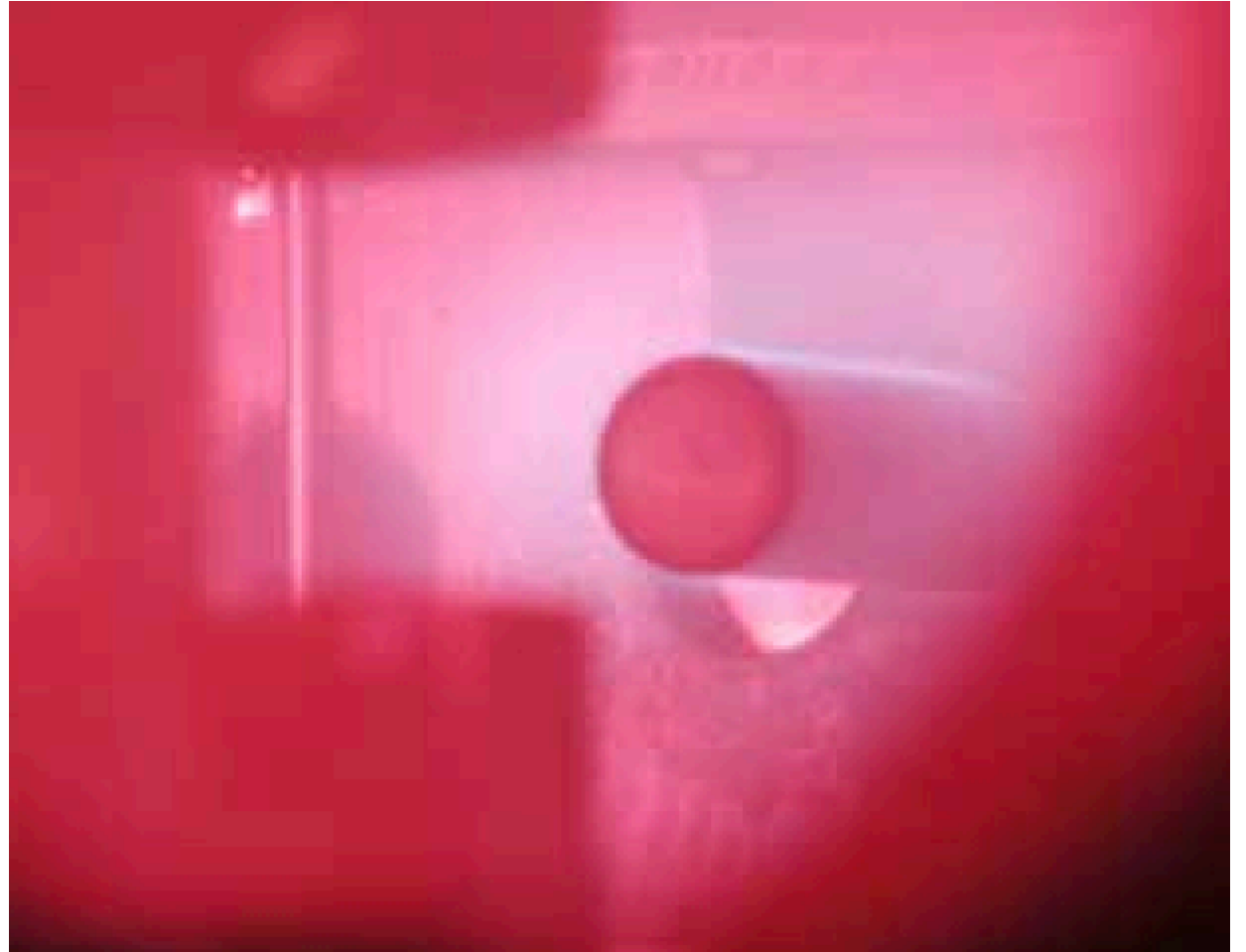
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# Importance of TPD for Fusion Reactor Surface Analysis

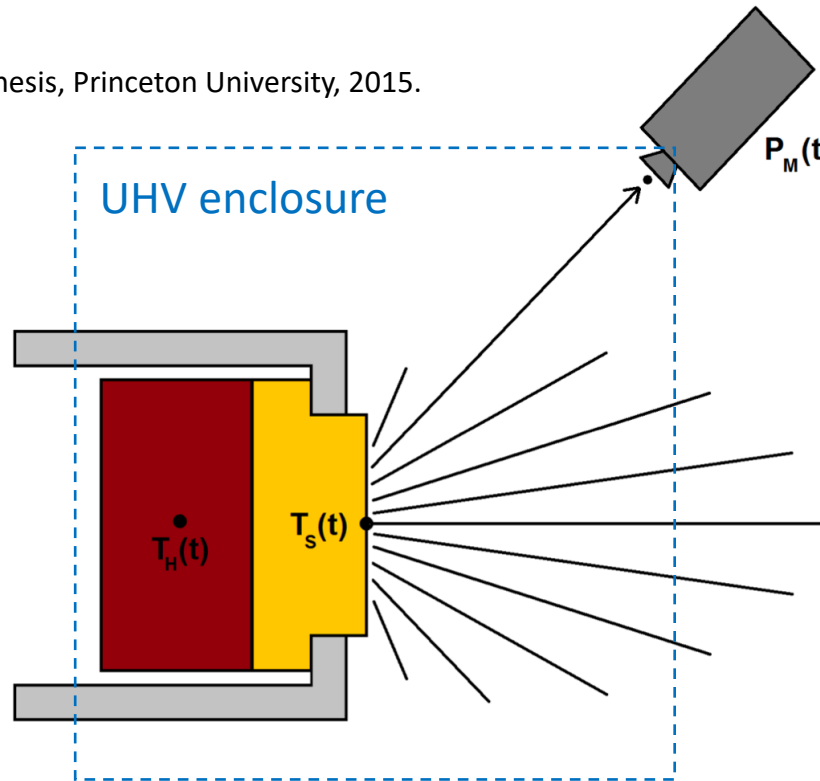
- Hydrogen retention in PFCs
- Impurities (plasma performance)
- Liquid PFCs chemical and physical stability



Interior of LTX –  $\beta$  during plasma glow procedure. PPPL.

# Temperature Programmed Desorption (TPD)

M. Lucia, PhD thesis, Princeton University, 2015.



RGA must be in the line-of-sight of the sample

$$N_d^X \propto \int_{t_1}^{t_2} P_M(t) dt$$

$$\log [P_M(t)] - n \log [f_\theta(t)] = \log (\alpha \nu \Theta_0) - E_d^X \left( \frac{1}{T_S(t)} \right)$$

$$y = b - mx$$

$T_H$  – heater temperature

$T_S$  – sample surface temperature

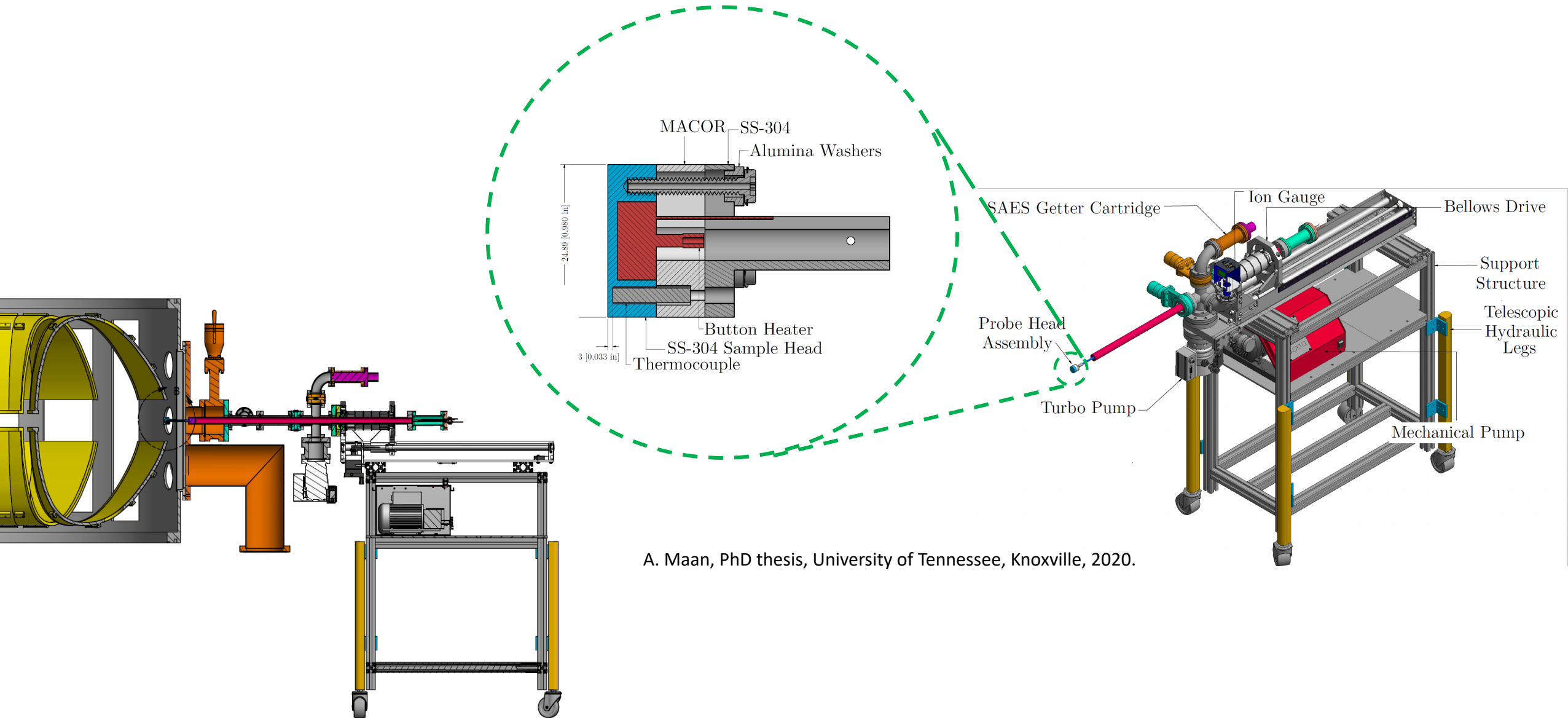
$P_M$  – partial pressure of mass/charge ratio M

$N_d$  – number of particles desorbed

$E_d$  – desorption energy

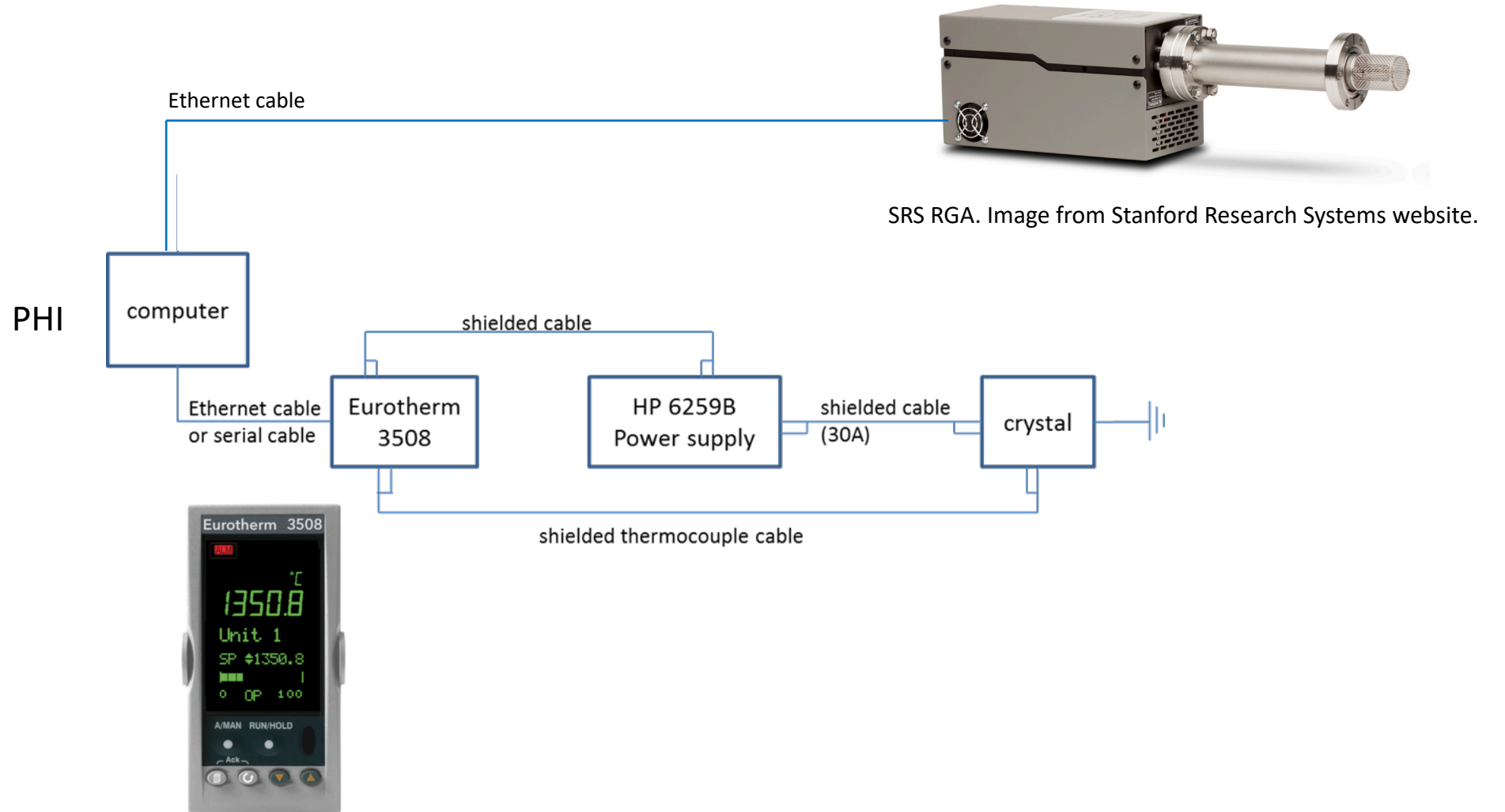
$f_\theta$  – fraction of surface covered

# Sample Exposure Probe (SEP)



A. Maan, PhD thesis, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, 2020.

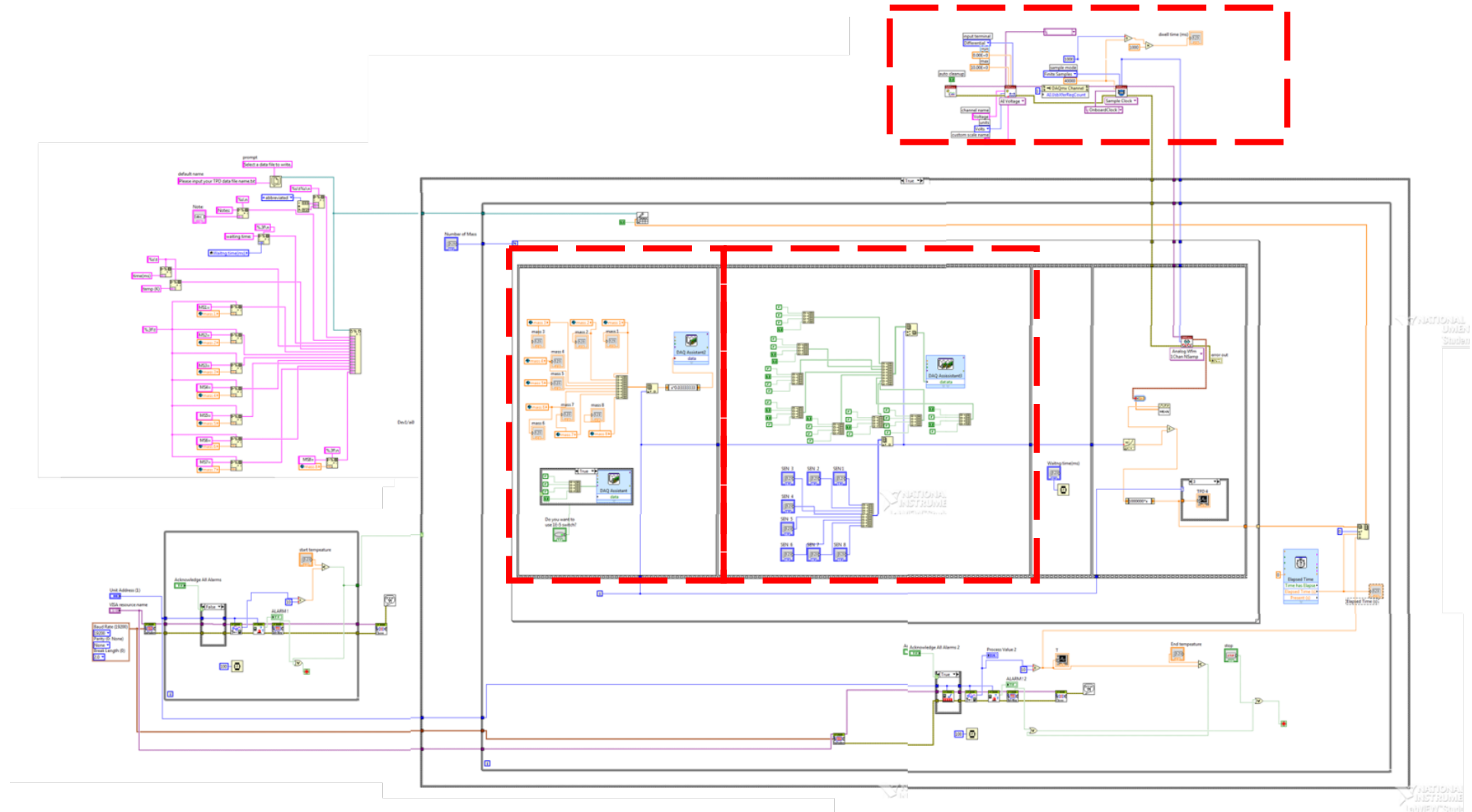
# Experimental Setup



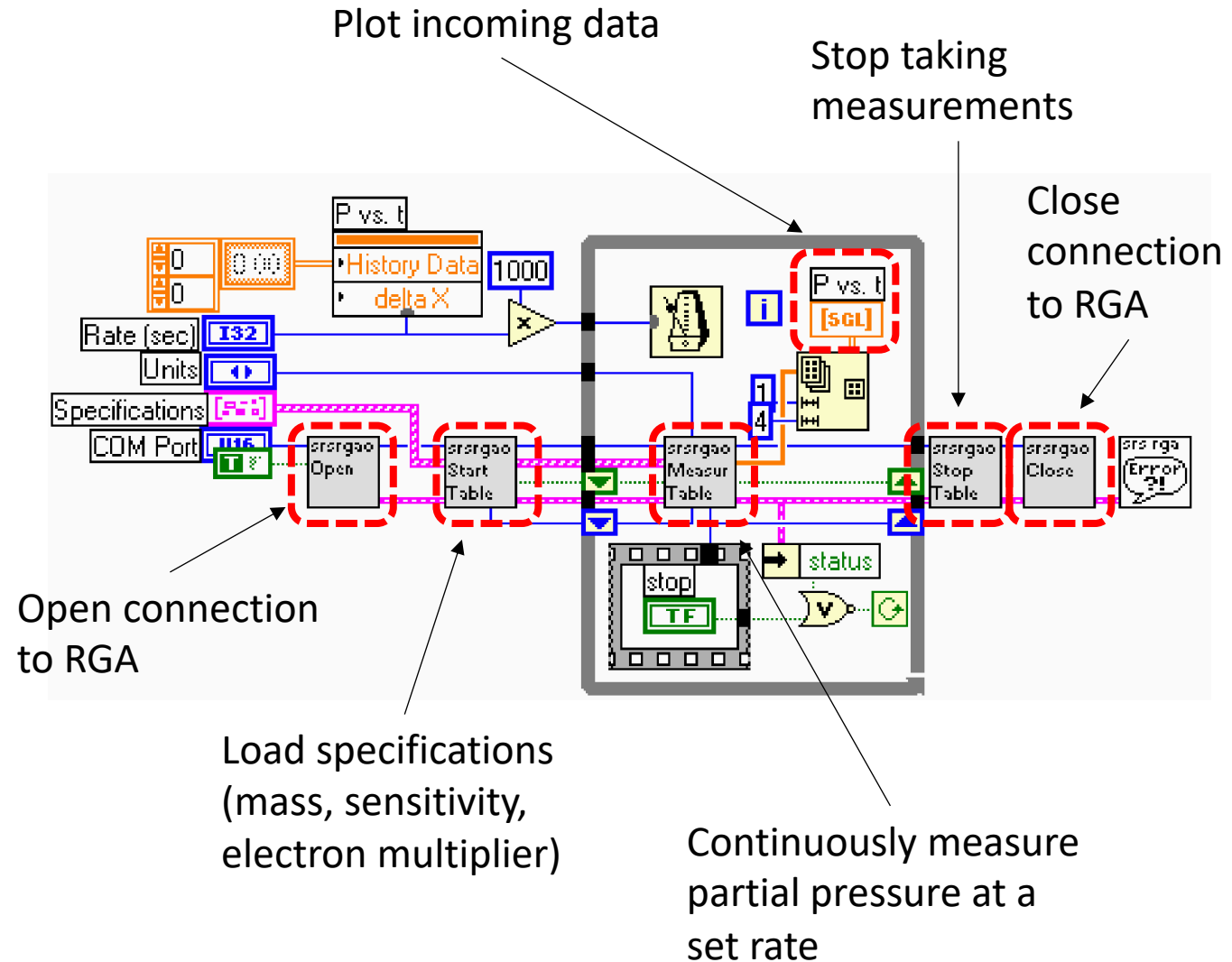
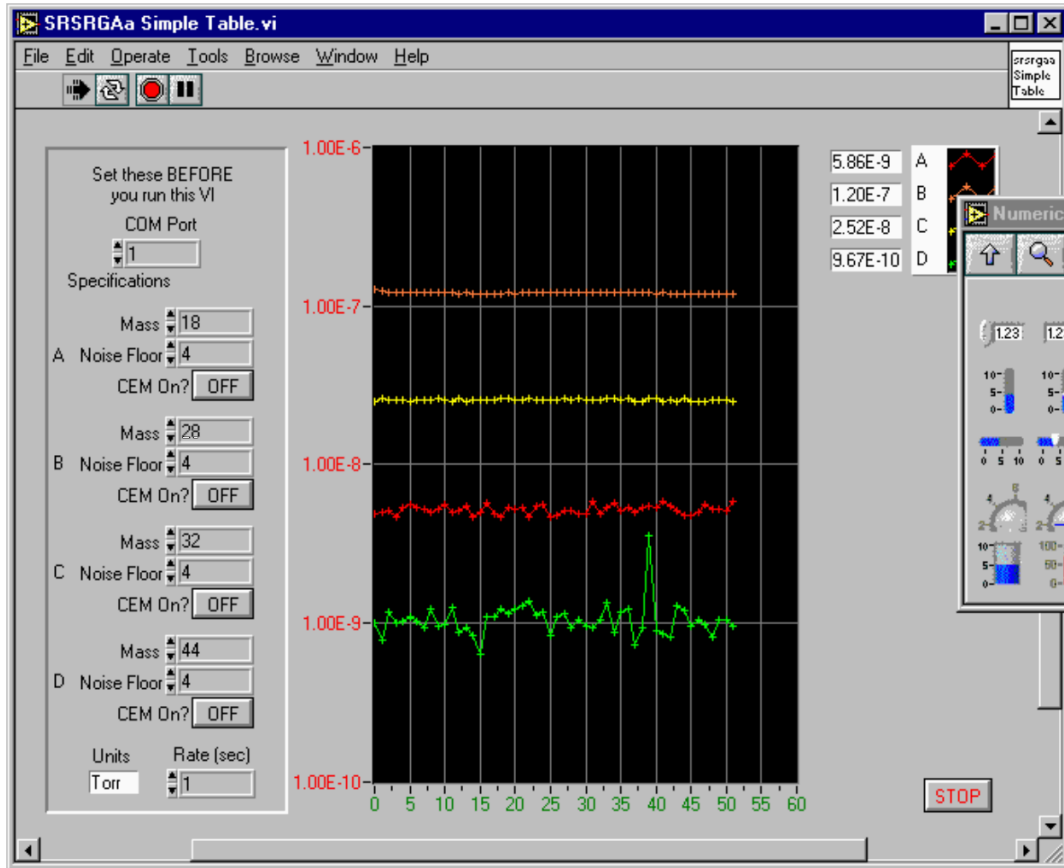
SRS RGA. Image from Stanford Research Systems website.

Eurotherm 3508. Image from Eurotherm website.

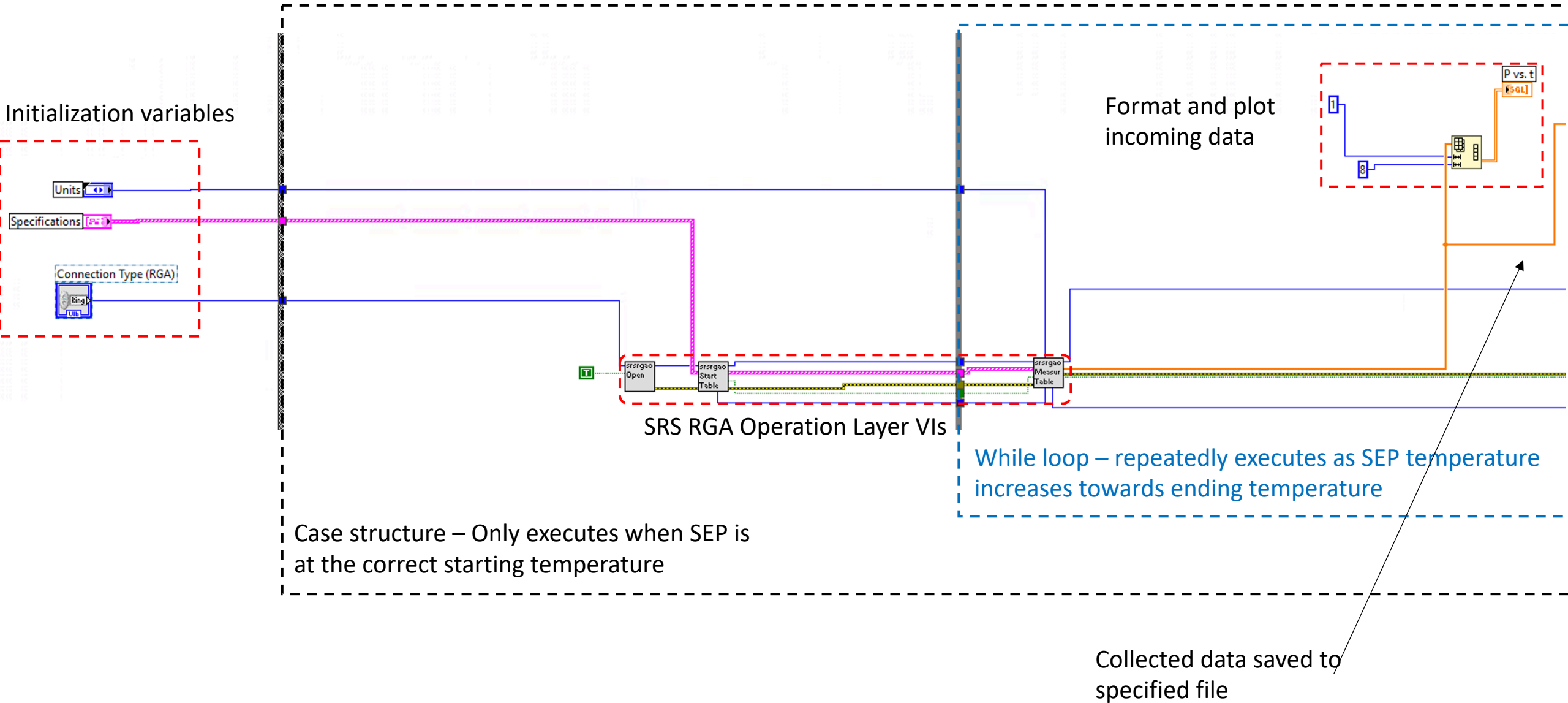
# TPD LabVIEW Program



# SRS RGA Operation Layer VIs



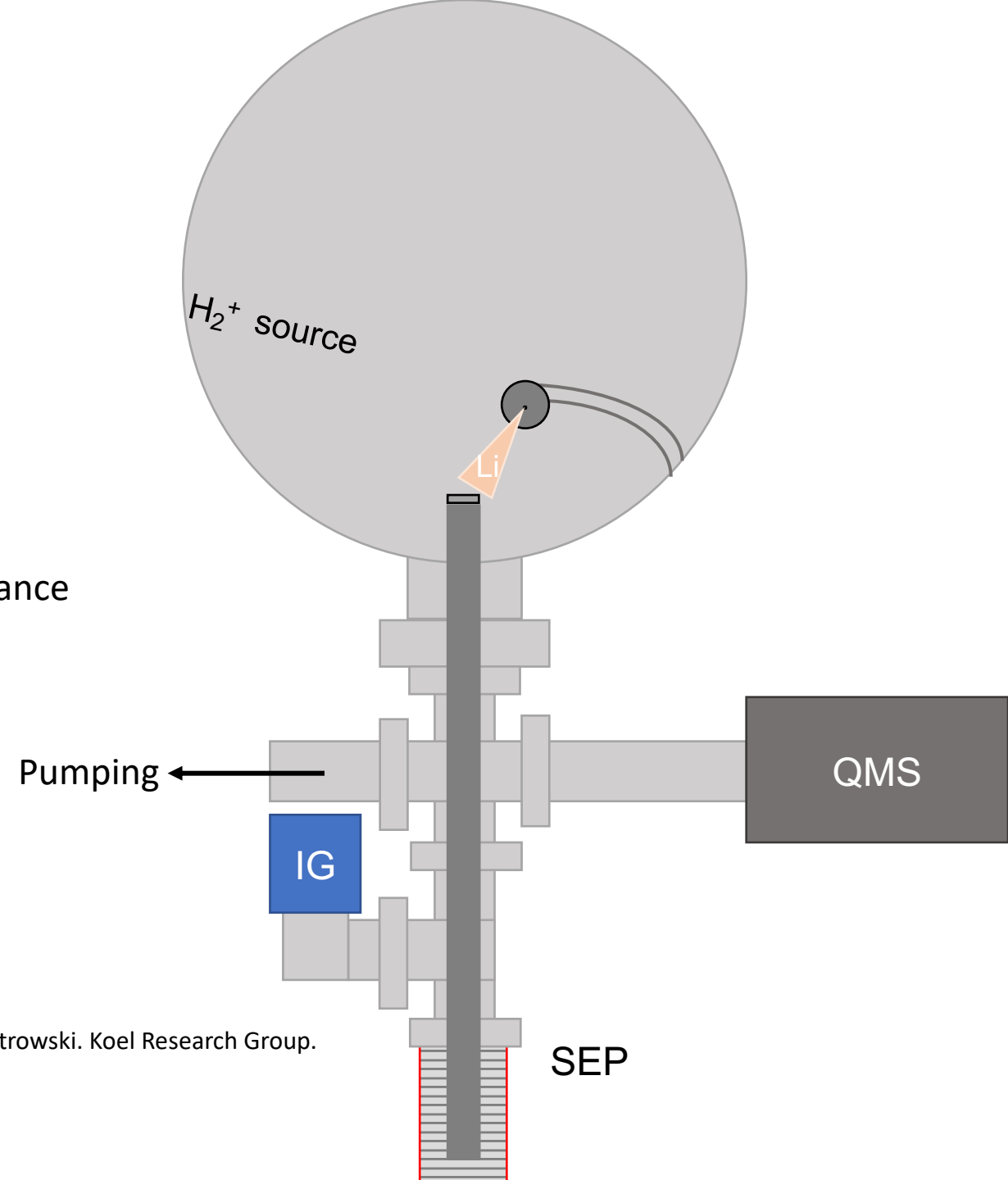
# New LabVIEW Program Structure





# Next Steps

- Test program using Pt and CO gas
  - CO gas has a known TPD profile on platinum catalysts
- Study hydrogen retention in Li
  - Implications for hydrogen recycling and plasma performance



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