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A data driven Model of the Existing and Optimal Cs Delivery into the LANSCE H^- Ion Source

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The LANSCE H^- Ion Source delivers a 120 Hz, 15 mA, 10% duty factor beam, which is created via a filament driven hydrogen plasma and cesiated surface-conversion. To induce cesiated surface conversion, the converter is coated in cesium via a basic Cs transfer tube port that is connected to a heated Cs reservoir, such that the amount of Cs flux induced on the converter is increased by increasing the Cs reservoir temperature. A COMSOL model of the Cs flux out of the existing transfer tube and into the LANSCE H^- Ion Source will be utilized using data driven empirical variables: temperature measurements of the source walls and points along the Cs transfer tube, heating power of the filaments, background H₂ pressure inside the source, and the Cs density out of the Cs transfer tube using Tunable Diode Laser Spectroscopy. Using these same parameters a study will be done using COMSOL to propose an optimal Cs transfer tube for the LANSCE H^- Ion Source.

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