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CW SRF Proton Linacs

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Major Issues for SCRF CW Linacs

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- Normal to SCRF crossover point
- Cryogenic Load
- Cavity bandwidth
- Power amplifier choice
- Civil Engineering choices
- Schedule

SCRF Linac Design Choices



$$\langle P \rangle = P_{pk}D = P_{pk}f_r\tau_p$$

$$P_{pk} = I_b \left(E_{pk} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(M_{cell} \frac{E_{acc} T}{E_{pk}} \frac{\beta_g \lambda}{2} \right)_n + \frac{\mathcal{E}_{FE}}{q} \right)$$



- Major Parameters
 - duty factor, D
 - peak surface field, Epk
 - peak beam current, I_b
 - average value of $E_{acc} \tilde{T}$ sum by adjusting the power profile
 - ratio of $E_{acc}T/E_{pk}$ by appropriate choice of β_{g}
 - energy of the front end linac, E_{FE}



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Cryogenic Costs: the Quest for High Q

- N-doping evolved from discovery to proven technology;
- It is a basic technology for LCLS II, operating at 1.3 GHz;
- It Is necessary to finalize the technology proof at proton driver frequencies (~700 MHz).





$$P_{d_n} = \frac{E_{pk} \frac{E_{acc}T}{E_{pk}} M_{cell} \frac{\beta_g \lambda}{2}}{I_b \cos(\phi_s) \frac{R}{Q_{acc}} Q_0} (P_{bpk}D)_n$$

$$P_d \propto \frac{E_{pk}}{I_b Q_o} \langle P_b \rangle$$

LCLS2 protoype cryomodules nine cell vertical test resultsdoping recipe 2/6 (FNAL developed) Jlab and FNAL prototype cryomodules cavities achieved world record values:Avg Q (16 MV/m, 2K)= 3.5e10,

Cavity Bandwidth

- For a given beam power, high duty factor gives less beam current
- Light beam loading implies light coupling of the RF source to the cavity
 - impedance matching
- Light coupling results in extremely narrow cavity bandwidths
 - Fractional bandwidths ~ 0.05x10⁶ (~tens of Hz out of a center frequency of 700 MHz)





Lorentz De-tuning and Microphonics

- Because of the enormous gradients in superconducting cavities, the radiation pressure deforms the cavities.
 - Small changes in amplitude in the cavity can cause the cavity to quickly go out of tune
- Because of the narrow bandwidth cavities are very sensitive to mechanical noise - microphonics (pumps, fans, etc.)
- Microphonics require advance controls on piezo tuners
- Or extra RF Power!











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General Concerns on SCRF for Proton Drivers

Increasing The Duty Factor

- Superconducting RF is the latest fashion in accelerator technology
 - SNS, ESS, LCLSII, PIPII
- In the limit, the best conditions for an SCRF Linac is in CW
 - It costs money (energy) to keep the Linac cold
 - Keep it running!



- A good rule of thumb ???
 - Duty factor > 10%
 - Dynamic / static load > 5





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Needs for High Duty Factor Accelerators

- High Energy Physics and Intensity Frontier Physics
 - Looking for rare processes so beam brightness is of ultimate importance
 - Filling colliders, Neutrino physics, etc required pulsed structures
- Neutron Sources
 - Again beam brightness is extremely important
 - Latest generation neutron spallation sources are pulsed at a very low duty factor (<10%)
- Accelerator Driven Systems?



Lorentz De-tuning

- Because of the enormous gradients in superconducting cavities,
 - the radiation pressure deforms the cavities
- We expect over 400 Hz of detuning in the ESS cavities.
 - Unloaded cavity bandwidth = 0.07 Hz
 - Loaded cavity bandwidth = 1 kHz
- The mechanical time constant of the cavities is about 1 ms compared to the pulse length of 3 ms
 - Static pre-detuning as done in SNS will not be sufficient
 - Dynamic de-tuning compensation using piezoelectric tuners is a must!
 - Or else pay for the extra RF power required

Repulsive magnetic forces Shape for zero field Attractive electric forces $\frac{Cavity axis}{P_s = \frac{1}{4} (\mu |\vec{H}|^2 - \varepsilon_0 |\vec{E}|^2)}$ $\Delta f_0 = (f_0)_2 - (f_0)_1 = -K E_{acc}^2$







Cavity Power Configuration

- Because of fabrication techniques,
 - superconducting cavity strings are usually much shorter (< 1 m) than copper cavity strings (> 5m).
 - The Lorentz de-tuning coefficient varies from cavity to cavity
- Therefore, each superconducting cavity usually has its own RF power source



RF Cost Models

Modulator Cost Model

$$C(P) = C_{P_o} \left(R_{cc} \frac{P}{P_o} + R_{cb} \frac{P}{P_o} + R_{ss} \left(\frac{P}{P_o} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}} + R_{xt} \left(\frac{P}{P_o} \right)^{\frac{2}{3}} + R_{cab} + R_{at} \right)$$

Modulator Part	Symbol	Cost (%)	Power Factor
Capacitor Charger	R _{cc}	30	1
Capacitor Banks	R _{cb}	5	1
Solid State Switch	R _{ss}	15	0.33
Transformers	R _{xt}	15	0.67
Cabinets & Controls	R _{cab}	10	0
Assembly & testing	R _{at}	25	0



• Zero (or low power) costs money (and efficiency)

- cost of cabinets, controls, profit, etc.
- Rough rule of thumb
 - RF costs scale approximately as the square root of power



Transit Time Factor



- For proton linacs using copper RF cavities
 - the cavity cell structure is tuned to match the changing proton velocity as it accelerates.
 - The power profile is usually flat
- Because of high fabrication costs and difficulty,
 - The cell structure of superconducting cavities is tuned for only one beam velocity.
 - Multiple families of cell velocities are chosen.
 - ESS cell velocities: Spoke: $\beta_g = 0.5$ Medium beta: $\beta_g = 0.67$ High beta: $\beta_g = 0.86$
- There is a limit on the surface field in a SCRF cavity (ESS 45 MV/m)
 - Since, the particle velocity does not match the geometrical velocity for the entire acceleration range,
 - The power profile is not flat

ESS Linac Cavity Power Profile

- A non-flat power profile raises challenges for the efficiency of the power amplifier
- Most RF amplifier technologies are most efficient when operated near their saturation point
- In a SCRF Proton Linac, many of the amplifiers are not operated near the saturation point.





Power Sources for Low Frequency - Low Power Cavities



- ESS will transition to superconducting cavities at 88 MeV
 - ESS will be the first accelerator to use 352 MHz double spoke cavity resonators
 - Twenty-eight cavities with an accelerating gradient of 8 MV/m are required.
 - Each cavity will operate at a nominal peak power of 320 kW
- What type of power source to choose?
 - Tetrode too high frequency
 - Klystron overkill
 - IOT not enough power
 - Solid State not enough power
- A no-man's land in RF



ESS Conventional Facility Costs



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- The approximate costs for conventional facilities are:
 - Tunnel: 22,900 €/m (3270 k€ / m²) including berm, auxiliary costs
 - Gallery: 46,200 €/m (2800 k€ / m²)
- The cost of accelerator equipment is:
 - 6.5 M€ / cryomodule which includes the RF power
 - Average cost of superconducting RF accelerator equipment is:
 - 790,000 €/m
 - 35x more expensive than tunnel cost
 - 11.4x more expensive than total CF cost
 - Average beam power cost for the accelerator equipment in a cryomodule cell is 18kW / M€.

• Since CF costs are so much less than SCRF, the argument that SCRF saves in CF costs is hard to justify

Density of Equipment in the Gallery



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- One cavity per klystron
- Two klystrons per modulator
- 16 klystrons per stub

1 Amplifier per every 1.5 meters requires very dense placement of equipment.

ESS 704 MHz Cell

Density of Equipment in the Gallery



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4.5 Cells of 8 klystrons for Medium Beta 10,5 Cells of 8 klystrons (IOTs) for High Beta

Beam Power and Machine Protection

- For ESS one beam pulse happens 14 x per second
 - one beam pulse has the same energy as a 16 lb (7.2kg) shot traveling at 1100 km/hour (Mach 0.93)
 - Or one beam pulse has the same energy as a 1000 kg car traveling at 96 km/hour
- At 5 MegaWatts, you boil 1000 kg of ice in 83 seconds
 - A ton of tea!!!









Proton impacts on Niobium

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- De Broglie wavelength of 50 MeV protons is ~4 fm
 - Similar to the nuclear radius of Nb
- Therefore impacts do not just disrupt the crystal lattice,
 - but also change the elemental composition
 - Fracture or spallation of Nb nuclei leading to new species
 - Zirconium, Yttrium, Strontium, etc.
- What is the scale of this effect?
- How does this affect the behaviour of the SC cavity?
- What are the implications for SC acceleration of proton beams?

Geant4 simulations

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- 10⁹ individual impacts at each of 36 proton energies
- Zero-momentum products extracted from output data
- Short-lived isotopes transitioned through their decay chain





This analysis only looks at nuclear transmutation, not lattice damage.

Probability of Damage

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- Scenario 1
 - Impact by full-power ESS beam
 - ~1014 transmutation events
 - 1 mm x 1 mm impact area
 - ~1 part in 10⁷ converted in the impact volume
- Scenario 2
 - 10 yrs of 10-6 halo
 - Deposited on 5 cm length of cylinder
 - Radius = 9 cm
 - ~1 part in 10⁸ converted in the impact volume



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- These are small fractions, but not negligibly small
 - Considerable effort goes into achieving a very particular chemical composition of the material
- Scenario #1 can be alleviated by 2 or 3 orders of magnitude with a properly configured MPS But:
 - #2 may be unavoidable (p+ beams are typically kept large to alleviate spacecharge effects)
 - #1 is still comparable to #2 if several of the MPS-mitigated events occur during the ten-year period
- So, a choice to accelerate p+ in SC cavities significantly increase the criticality of:
 - MPS reaction times
 - Understanding of halo formation & propagation

Cumulative Energy Demand



- Operational power savings is not the only figure of merit for an efficiency
- The construction of SCRF is energy and time intensive
- The Cumulative Energy Demand (CED) is the ratio
 - of the energy required to produce SCRF including life cycle costs
 - to the beam power the linac
- What are the CED's for current facilities?
- What should the range be?

Human Factors



- Time Scale
 - Long time scale gives little time for prototyping rounds
 - Less innovation
 - Interest and retention of staff
- Lots of effort on cryogenics and Material science
 - Not so much innovative RF design

Guidelines for Chooseing SCRF for Proton Drivers

- Duty factor (>10% ?)
- Dynamic to Static load (> 5 ?)
- Emin (> 400 MeV ?)
- Emax (< 2 GeV ?)
- Average Beam Power (> 1 MW)
- T_{flattop} / T_{fill} (> 5)
- CED (< 2 years ?)
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