**Heavy Ion Superconducting Accelerators: International Scenario**

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#### **Heavy Ion Accelerators**

# Configuration

- For low energy Nuclear Physics
	- Physics close to the Coulomb Barrier
	- E/A ~ 5-20 MeV/u  $\rightarrow$  v ~ 10-20 % c
- For H & He like ions for Atomic Physics
- Accelerating elements (SLINAC)
	- Independently Phased Superconducting cavities
	- $\beta$  (v/c) ~ 0.05, 0.10, 0.20
- Pre-accelerator
	- Tandem, RFQ, SRFQ, DTL, ultra-low beta S-Cavities





# *Joint TIFR – BARC Facility*

*Specifications*

*Heavy ions upto A~80 E/A~5-12 MeV*

*Energy gain 14MV/q Module 7 nos Resonators 28 nos*

*Bunch width ~200 ps Beam Intensity 0.1-10 pnA*



Phase I commissioned on September 22nd , 2002 Phase II commissioned on July 9th , 2007 LINAC dedicated to users on Nov. 28th , 2007



#### **Quarter Wave Resonators**

**Material OFHC Cu** Superconducting surface 2  $\mu$ m thick. Pb **Frequency 150 MHz Cavity Length 64 cm Cavity Diameter** 20 cm **Optimum velocity**  $\beta=0.1$ **Design goal** 2.5 to 3 MV/m

 **@ 6 to 9 Watts**











Nb QWR cavities development IUAC New Delhi

IUAC Linac module with 8 QWRs



Superbuncher cavity



#### Before Plating **After Lead Plating**





**Pre-accelerator inter-digital ultra-low beta cavities Main LINAC bulk-Nb Split-loop resonators**







#### **Nb Sputtered QWR LNL, Legnaro**





#### **Rounded surfaces for better deposition**

### Heavy Ion Accelerators (Superconducting LINAC)

Existing Facilities (partial listing) USA: ATLAS ANL Canada: ISAC, TRIUMF Europe: ALPI, INFN-LNL ISOLDE, CERN Japan: JAERI, Tokai India: IUAC, New Delhi TIFR, Mumbai

New Projects for Heavy Ions & RIBs Israel, China, Spain, France, USA, India, …



Design Considerations

- Efficiency of acceleration
	- Operating point  $(E_{\text{acc}}$  vs  $P_{\text{diss}})$
	- High Shunt Impedance
- RF Control
	- Stability (amplitude & phase)
	- Low Stored Energy
- Beam Dynamics Phase Space
	- Longitudinal & Transverse evolution
	- Phase matching between sections
	- Bunching
	- Phase setting of Superconducting cavities
	- Pre-accelerator

# TIFR-BARC Accelerator Facility

#### Pelletron accelerator

- $E/A \sim 3-7$  MeV,  $\beta \sim 0.08 0.12$
- Heavy ions reactions upto  $A \sim 40$

#### Superconducting Linac booster

- $E/A \sim 5-12$  MeV,  $\beta \sim 0.10-0.15$
- Heavy ions reactions upto  $A \sim 80$ (limited by pre-accelerator)

#### - Beam intensity:  $0.1$ -10 pnA  $(10^{9-11} \text{ p/s})$ (limited by ion source)



# Beam Transport in LINAC

- Longitudinal Phase Space
	- bunching
	- matching and stability
- Transverse Phase Space
	- periodic focusing
- Magnetic Bend
	- achromatic and isochronous



σ(ps) as a function of dimensionless scaled variable x=ωLE<sub>B</sub>/2βcE. The solid line is the fit to the data.

 $E$  and  $\beta$  are the energy and velocity of the incident beam,

*EB and* <sup>w</sup> *are the amplitude of energy gain and angular frequency.*



*The electron spectrum observed with MSP*

If the low energy buncher beam width is not sufficiently narrow, then at the superbuncher the incident beam experiences the nonlinear part of the sinusoidal RF field and this results in a non-gaussian peak shape.



Time

Fig. 1: Longitudinal phase space after superbuncher with DC-beam



#### Evolution of longitudinal phase space

- Optimization of Beam quality at target transmission, energy spread and time structure
- Pre-compute synchronous phase settings  $(\Phi_{\text{res}})$  for  $2^N$  configurations measured resonator field values time focusing  $(-20^{\circ})$  or time de-focusing  $(+20^{\circ})$
- For any given set of  $\Phi_{\text{res}}$ ,

 $\Phi_{REF}$  (k+1) =  $\Phi_{REF}$  (k) +  $\Delta\Phi_0$  (k+1, k) –  $\Delta\Phi_{res}$  (k+1,k) –  $\omega(t_{k+1} - t_k)$ 













#### Evolution of longitudinal phase space

Final configuration corresponding to an optimal phase space at target determined by measurement of the transmission and the time structure.



Timing Detector (1" Ba $F_2$ ) @LIN1 : entrance of Phase I @LIN4 : entrance of Phase II @LIN7 : after switching magnet @target position



#### Cavity in-beam performance

• Frequency Stability

Mechanical design vs Cooling Mechanical vibrational modes Radiation Pressure induced Liquid Helium boiling induced

- Limits the in-beam performance Determines RF power requirements Determines cryogenic requirements
- RF Coupler, pickup and Frequency tuner



Full LINAC Test (July 07) 28 Si 13+



# **Cryogenics**

# Module Cryostat



Top view of the module





**40 ltr. liq. He vessel 60 ltr. liq. N<sup>2</sup> vessel**





Cryogenics for the Linac

#### Linde TCF50S





Al Plate Fin Heat Exchangers Two stage Turbine Expansion Engines Two stage JT Expansion 250 KW Screw Compressor, 62 g/s Refrigeration at 4.5 K, Liquification Without  $\mathsf{LN}_2$  and  $300$  W,  $\,$  50 I/hr With LN<sub>2</sub>pre-cooling 450 W, 120 l/hr



- TCF50S commissioned in 1998
	- Two turbo expanders
	- 50 litres/hour; 300 Watts  $@$  4.5K w/o LN<sub>2</sub>
	- Compressor 200 kW; 13 Bara; 62 g/s
- ▶ 1<sup>st</sup> stage Turbine & Turbine housing changed
- **≻2<sup>nd</sup> stage Turbine modified**
- **>New Compressor installed** 
	- 250 kW; 13 Bara; 80 g/s
	- 80 litres/hour; ~450 Watts



#### Cold Box Opened for Modifications








## New Turbine Housing Installed





# Junction Box



Inside View of Junction Box

**The entire cryogenic distribution system was fabricated and assembled on-site.**





- LHe valves with ac motor actuators and position read-back
- Electro-pneumatic valves for  $LN<sub>2</sub>$  batch filling
- Tri-axial transfer tube ports





- WEKA make cryogenic valves for LHe
- WEKA make Transfer tube Bayonet for LHe
- WEKA make Cryogenic check valves
- Indigenously developed valves and bayonet for  $LN<sub>2</sub>$



# Trunk Line

- Vacuum insulated trunk line 100mm dia with four tubes
- Made in separate sections with kennol fittings supported by Glass fibre loaded teflon spacers
- ~100mW/m





## **Beam lines & Diagnostic elements**



### **LINAC & Experimental Beam Halls**



#### *Hall 1*

- Condensed Matter Physics (7 T Magnet) & Atomic, Molecular & Cluster Physics
- General Purpose Scattering Chamber
- High energy gamma ray & neutron wall

#### *Hall 2*

- General Purpose/ Irradiation line
- HPGe Spectrometer (INGA)
- Charged particle ball
- **M**omentum **A**chromat for **R**adioactive **I**on **E**xperiments



## Beam Transport to Experiments

- Mid-Bend system
	- Achromatic & Isochronous
	- Beam Loss (85-90% transmission)
- Switching Magnets
	- Dispersive
	- Beam Loss (85-90% transmission)
- Beam Diagnostics
	- X-Y slits
	- Beam Profile monitors (rotating wire)
	- Faraday Cups
	- Timing detectors (BaF $_2$  , MSP & Diamond)

### Beam line components



### **Hall I**



## **Hall II**





# **Faraday cup control station**

- **Design Concept**
- **1) FC Current read-back on PC with auto gain selection**
- **2) 8 Local FC inputs**
- **Parameters controlled & monitored**
- **1) Selection of desired FC and its signal**
- **2) IN/OUT operation of selected FC**
- **3) A/D conversion of beam current using 12-bit ADC**
- **4) Pre-amplifier auto-gain selection (x1 & x3)**
- **5) PC Interface via RS-232**





## **Beam Profile Monitor (BPM)**

- **▶ Diagnostic tool** (concept design based on Danfysik BPM)
- Contains an *elliptical shaped wire*
- $\triangleright$  Scans beam in X & Y axis
- $\triangleright$  A 3 phase DC motor rotates this wire
- Developed at TIFR Central Workshop
- $\triangleright$  There are more than 20 BPM's in the beam line



#### BPM fabricated @ TIFR



#### Design drawing



# Beam profiles as seen on the oscilloscope





**Position 1 : Wire loop appears as a circle**

**Position 2 : Wire loop collapses to a vertical line giving rise to the X profile.**

**Position 3 : Wire loop expands to a circle again.**

**Position 4 : Wire loop collapses to a horizontal line giving rise to the Y profile.**

### *Micro-sphere Plate detector for timing*



#### Development of Beamline components & Diagnostic elements









## **Instrumentation & Control system**



# Instrumentation for the Heavy ion LINAC

Cryogenic monitor & control

RF Cavities

RF phase & amplitude control Beam Transport & Diagnostic Beam Lines

Vacuum

# Cryogenic control station Block diagram









Based on a Self-excited Loop with Amplitude and Phase corrections Intrinsic resonator bandwidth ~1Hz @ 150MHz Cavity resonant frequency variations ~±25Hz Field level set by limiter and variable coupler

#### RF Electronics and LINAC Control System

- **EXECUTE: Resonator controller and CAMAC system** 
	- *In house development using Indigenous/easily available RF modules*
	- *150 Watts, 150 MHz RF Power Amplifiers*
- LINUX based Operating system with JAVA
- Web based distributed control system (master + local stations)



### 150 Watt, 150 MHz RF Amplifiers





### **RF distribution and control in the PLF**



## **New Developments**



## **Using under-sampling**



 $(13/4)^*2\pi=\pi/2$ 

Under sample with 4/13 of reference frequency (150 MHz) Reconstruction – DAC at 8/13 of reference frequency



# Digital RF Control of the Linac

- A digital implementation
	- Inherently free from the limitations of analog implementation:
		- DC off-sets
		- Drift
		- Gain Imbalance
		- Impedance mismatch, etc.
	- Besides it has:
		- Flexibility
		- Ability to execute complex algorithms
- With the availability of fast, high resolution data-converters and DSP/FPGA's, modern digital hardware is able to satisfy the requirements of RF control applications

*We are developing RF control based on digital techniques*

#### **Typical Architecture of Digital RF Control**:

Three sub-systems:

Digital Card: ADC, DAC, FPGA, Memory, Modulator, cPCI interface

Clock Card: Clock signals for ADC, DAC. FPGA, Down Converter

Mixer Board: Down Converter, **Filters** 



**Digital LLRF Control System**

### **A proposed scheme for digital RF control of LEB system**





**Critical components of LINAC booster have been designed, developed and fabricated indigenously.**





**Thank you**

#### Some Milestones …







First LINAC experiment begins on 16th April 2003



Dedicated to Users on November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007





### Superconducting Cyclotron VECC Kolkata



Low Energy RIB VECC Kolkata






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