

A Scintillator Probe Based on Fiber Optics for Ion Beam Diagnostics at the 88-Inch Cyclotron.



Outline



- Introduction
- Hardware Design
- Calibration
- Initial Data
- Summary & Outlook





• At the 88-Inch Cyclotron, a number of high intensity beams have

been recently requested. - see Damon Todd (MO2PB02) and Ken Y. Franzen (TUPPT015).

• To meet these requirements, the cyclotron needed better diagnostics than

what was available in order to identify losses and increase transmission.

 \rightarrow Scintillator probe was designed to replace the 3-finger probe

Design of the Probe (1)

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We used the existing motion system from the previously installed 3-finger probe:



Design of the Probe (2)



Incident Beam

• All parts are made of non-magnetic materials

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 Metal mesh around the crystal allows charge neutralization and provides mechanical support in case the crystal shatters.



Camera specifications:

- Allied Vision Technologies
 GigE Manta (1/2" CCD chip)
- 4.6 μ m x 4.6 μ m pixel size
- 1392 (H) x 1040 (V) pixels

Fiber bundle specifications:

- SCHOTT North America, Inc.
- Aspect ratio according to the chip size
- Made of clusters of 6x6 mono-fibers with 10µm per fiber

Design of the Probe (4)



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- Location of the scintillator edges on the image needs to be known.
- Pixel resolution must be known to get physical dimensions

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2) Pixel resolution must be known to get physical dimensions



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A python script processes the captured images to crop them, remove noise, smooth images and overlays the reference marks on the final image.



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Axial Calibration



The axial position of the scintillator must be known to measure the height of the beam:



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Unbalancing Data

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TC 1 in unbalanced mode (193 A shunted from bottom)

TC 1 in balanced mode (356 A)



- We successfully designed and commissioned a beam profile viewer for the 88-Inch Cyclotron and confirmed an axial misalignment of the beam.
- Via unbalancing TC 1, we could correct for that offset while watching the beam which increased transmission of the machine by several percent.

Room for improvement:

- Expanding the probe to a pepper-pot emittance scanner by adding a hole mask.
- Upgrade radial motion system to have better resolution.

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Thank you for your attention!

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