

A fast rotating wire scanner for use in high intensity accelerators

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A wire scanner is a diagnostic used to measure **transverse beam profiles.**



A typical measurement scheme:

- Intercept the beam with a wire
- 2) Scattered x-rays (or sometimes other particles) are generated when the beam hits the wire.
- 3) Measure the signal, usually with a scintillator + a photomultiplier combination.
- 4) The signal directly corresponds to the beam's profile.

Wire acceleration methods vary, but Fork designs are the most common.

There are also more exotic designs, like laser wire scanners.



Motivation for a new design



We want to study beam physics at high current in the Cornell ERL photoinjector. The problem: We can take low current measurements, but things become challenging at high current.

| Low current | Nominal/High current |
|---------------------|--|
| 5 – 15 MeV | 5 – 15 MeV |
| ~ 2 mm | ~ 2 mm |
| < 0.3 µm (measured) | < 0.3 µm (simulated) |
| < 3 ps | < 3 ps |
| < 100 nA | 100 mA |
| < 1 kW | 1 MW |
| | Low current 5 – 15 MeV ~ 2 mm < 0.3 µm (measured) < 3 ps < 100 nA < 1 kW |



Common Beam Diagnostics

- BPMs
- Viewscreens
- Slits (for emittance)
- Pepperpot (for emittance)
- Synchrotron radiation monitors
- X-Ray beam size monitor
- Laser wire scanners
- Conventional Wire scanners



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Wire scanner design goals

Main Goal:

Avoid melted wires

Requirements:

- 1) Wire speeds > 20 m/s (45 mph)
- 2) ~10's μ m resolution
- 3) Cheap
- 4) Compact
- 5) Quick to build and implement

Most wire scanners move at mm/s or cm/s.



A fast wire speed minimizes heating



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Maximum temperature reached during a single scan (simulated)

12

velocity [m/s]

14

16

10

20









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Choosing a wire material

It's a tradeoff between heat capacity and durability.

Carbon is the first choice because it withstands heat so well.

Tungsten is a good secondary choice, and is more durable.

| | Carbon | Tungsten |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|
| C_p (cal / g / °C) | 0.42* | 0.055 |
| Melting/ Sublimation (K) | 3915 | 3695 |
| Durability | Brittle | Durable |

* C_p for Carbon scales with temperature; this is for 1000 °C



A cartoon of the 2 gear design

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Outside view



Stepper motor









Outside view





Ferrofluidic Rotary feedthrough



motor

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Outside view



motor

Stepper

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> Vacuum flanges

Viewports







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motor

Rotary

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Outside view



Beam pipe











3D model of the design



Vacuum Flange



3D model of the design



Vacuum Flange



3D model of the design



Vacuum Flange

Beam















3D model of the design

gear

Large





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Why use 2 gears?

Without a two gear design, for any wire scanner to reach 20 m/s (45 mph), you would need either:

- More acceleration
 Risk breaking wire
- 2) Larger path length
 - Size issues



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$$\mathbf{v_s} \sim \mathbf{6} \ \mathbf{v_g}$$

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Our design is about 6x faster than a single gear design



Taking pictures at 20 m/s



4 -0 --2 --4 -12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26 Position along the wire (mm) Moving wire

We captured several images of the moving carbon wire on a single camera frame, by using a modulating laser (8 KHz rep rate, 7 µs pulse duration).

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- Beam width depends on speed of each wire
- Peak separation depends only on separation of wires (not speed) 9/9/2015

Estimation of error due to wire vibrations



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 \implies Implies A = 2.6 mm

 $\Delta x = A \sin(\omega t)$ $\Delta v = A \omega \cos(\omega t)$ Wire separation = 11 ± 4 mm (36% error) Separation error = 4 mm = $\sqrt{2}$ A

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At 20 m/s it works great! Comparisons with viewscreens at low beam current (~100 nA)





It works!

Vertical beam profile measurements taken at Cornell's ERL Photoinjector

| Parameter | Used for experiments |
|------------------|----------------------|
| Beam type | Electron |
| Energy | 4 MeV |
| Power | 0.5 MW |
| Current | < 35 mA |
| Bunch Charge | < 27 pC |
| Repetition rate | 1.3 GHz / 50 MHz |
| Emittance | 0.3 μm |
| Trans. Beam Size | ~ 3 mm |

Signal (arb. units)

Note: Each (normalized) curve is presented on the same plot only for easy comparison.





Take home messages

- Great option for high current/intensity beams
 It works!
 - Compact (~40 cm)
 - Cheap (< \$5000)
 - Quick to build (only 2 custom parts)



Thank you for listening!

Check out the publication for more info: T. Moore "A Fast Wire Scanner for Intense Electron Beams" Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 17, 022801 http://journals.aps.org/prstab/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevSTAB.17.022801

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