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CEBAF Upgrade: Cryomodule Performance and Lessons Learned

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12 GeV Upgrade



C100 Cryomodule Status

The C100 Cryomodule Project which began in 2009 is nearing its end. Nine of the Ten Installed C100 Cryomodules have been Successfully Commissioned:

Average Max Operating Gradient = 19.6 MV/m (Design goal = 19.2 MV/m) Average Q_0 at 19.2 MV/m = 8.1E9 (Design goal = 7.2E9) Average Energy Gain = 110 MV (Design goal = 108 MV)

Two of these Cryomodules have been Operated with Beam One has Successfully Operated at 108 MV with full beam loading of 465 μA







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Cavity



Cavities must deliver an Average Maximum Operating gradient of **19.2 MV/m** with average Q_0 of **7.2E9 at 2.07 K**

96% exceeded requirement

Each cryomodule contains a string of **eight 7-cell low-loss SRF 1497 MHz cavities** Each Cavity undergoes an rigorous qualification process

- 160 µM BCP
- 600 C Bake 24 hours Hydrogen removal- Eliminates Q₀ disease
- 30 µM Electropolish Reduce Q₀ Slope
- Multiple High Pressure Rinses
- 120 C Bake for 24 hours
- Vertical Test at 2.07 K
- Cavity String assembled in a Class 10 Clean room

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Cryomodule

- Magnetic Shielding
 - 2K Shield CryoPerm@
 - Room Temp shielding mu-metal
- Thermal Shielding.
 - Multi Layer Insulation
 - Insulating Vacuum (1E-07 torr)



- 2K Primary Circuit and 50K Shield Circuit via L-shaped end-cans
- Waveguide Coupler Assembly
 - Two Warm Windows
 - Guard Vacuum to Protect Cavity Vacuum
 - No helium to vacuum joints
- Scissor-jack tuner with easily accessible warm drive components
 - Provision for Piezo-electric component for fast control





Cryomodule Testing

- Prior to Installation, all Cryomodules undergo a more comprehensive set of Acceptance tests in the Cryomodule Test Facility
- Acceptance tests are meant to uncover any major problems before delivery to the linac.
- Also include tuner qualification, Static Lorentz and Pressure Sensitivity Measurements
- Each cryomodule Commissioned after installation
 - Focused on determining stable operating gradients
 - Accomplished through a combination of
 - Maximum Gradient Determination
 - Field Emission Measurements
 - Q₀ / RF Heat Load Measurement
 - Microphonics





Emax Determination

- Calibrate the Gradient
- Increase Gradient in small steps
 - Find the limit Pulsed RF
 - Check the limit –CW RF (Emax)
- One Hour run to test for stable operation (Emaxop)
 - On average, Emaxop < Emax by ~ 1 MV/m</p>

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- Later on after Heat Loads are Determined, final maximum gradient is set by
 - ~ 29 W Dynamic Heat Load per cavity / 232 W for the string

Gradient Limitations: Cavity Quench High Heat Load Admin Limit = 25 MV/m Vacuum Degradation Waveguide Arcs RF Window Temperature

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Emax - VTA / Commissioning



Preliminary accounting for gradient reductions:

- Capping VTA Admin limit to 25 MV/m reduces VTA average to 24.9 MV/m
- Cryostat riser limits (50 60W per cavity) account for reductions in 21% of the cavities.
- Assembly / Testing "events" account for reductions in ~5% of the cavities





Q₀ Measurement

- Calorimetric Method
 - Isolate the cryomodule from refrigerator
 - Close JT and RT valves
 - Perform a series of measurements of $\Delta P / \Delta t$
 - 1. No input heat (other than static)
 - 2. Known heat load from heater
 - 3. RF on at desired gradient
 - $-\Delta P / \Delta t$ linear with heat load over the operating temperature range

$$Heat_{RF} = Pwr_{Htr} \frac{\Delta P_{RF} - \Delta P_{static}}{\Delta P_{htr} - \Delta P_{static}}$$





Q₀ – VTA / Commissioning



• Small divergence at lower gradients



Divergence at higher gradients

- Higher field emission
- Small heat load contributions from power couplers / HOM couplers (1-2 W)

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Q₀ Examples



Energy Gain

 Q_0 measurements are used to set the final maximum operating gradient. Average for the Final maximum operating gradient – **19.6 MV/m** Dynamic heat load ≤ 29 W per cavity / 232 W for the string. These gradients are used for the final commissioning step: Extended runs at these energies:

	Commission (MV)	W /Beam (MV)
C100-1	104.3	94.5*
C100-2	109.6	108
C100-3	118.4	
C100-4	105.8	
C100-5	109.9	
C100-6	108.2	
C100-7	108.4	
C100-8		
C100-9	113.7	
C100-10	109.8	



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Microphonics

- Design allows for 25 Hz Peak Detuning
- Actual peak detuning (21 Hz) was higher than expected in first cryomodules
- A detailed vibration study was initiating which led to the following design change.
- A minor change to the **tuner pivot** plate substantially improved the microphonics for the CEBAF C100 Cryomodules.
- While both designs meet the overall system requirements the improved design has a larger RF power margin

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Microphonic Detuning*	C100-1	C100-4
RMS (Hz)	2.985	1.524
6σ(Hz)	17.91	9.14



Operational Challenges

1st two C100's operated with beam for six months ending May 2012 In May 2012, C100-2 operated for extended run at 108 MV / 465 uA

Challenges:

- Microphonics (peak detuning 21 Hz)
- High Pressure Sensitivity (350 Hz / torr)
- High Lorentz detuning (~ 2 Hz / (MV/m)²
- 800 Hz detuning from RF Off to 20 MV/m (~50 bandwidths)
- Mechanical coupling between adjacent cavities 10%

Cavity Fraticide

- When one cavity trips adjacent cavity can detune by ~80 Hz
- If klystron overhead is not high enough adjacent cavity will trip
- "Domino" effect can trip entire string Solutions:
- Use of piezo tuner to compensate for pressure drift and slow microphonics
- Flexible field controls can switch to a self excited loop mode to track detuning. This Mitigates "domino" effect
- Tuner modification in newer cryomodules reduces detuning





Lessons Learned

- The effect of the cryomodule environment on performance must be considered when designing a cavity specification.
- Cryostat design may place limits on performance that are not readily apparent during vertical tests.
- The best quality control will not prevent all potential performance losses such as increases in field emission.





- Cryomodule Commissioning will be complete in a few weeks.
- CEBAF will begin beam operations again in November.
- The C100's will deliver an additional ~550 MV per linac





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Appendix











Field Emission



Neutron Production measured with ion chambers. Not routinely measured but noted on first two cryomodules.

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X-Rays measured with a set of ten Geiger-Mueller tubes arrayed around the cryomodule





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Field emission





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C100 PZT Control



Piezo compensation bandwidth: 1 Hz PI regulator

Wider bandwidth causes mechanical mode excitation/ instabilities Substantial improvement for slow detuning (helium pressure drift or slow microphonics)





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Cavity Fratricide



Cavity Fratricide occurs when one cavity faults (Arc, waveguide vacuum, quench etc.) and the Lorentz force detuning of the faulted cavity detunes the adjacent cavities resulting in the cavity faulting too.

Adjacent cavity was operating at 5 MV/m so the klystron had the overhead to absorb the detuning

Graph of gradient and detuning (Hz) as a cavity is faulting (blue)



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