

On the observations of standing waves in cylindrical cavities filled by Microwave Discharge and ECR plasmas

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- Preliminary observations in 2001.
- Systematic measurements carried out in fall 2003 and fall 2004.



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Strong improvement of the TFHE efficiency by tuning the second frequency provided by means of a TWT

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Measurements on the CNAO SUPERNANOGAN ECR Ion Source showed a clear dependence of the C⁴⁺ extracted current from the microwave frequency.



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Explanation of experimental results

A field modal distribuion is preserved inside the chamber even in presence of plasma.

The electromagnetic field distribution changes by varying the frequency and it causes a better or worse power transfer, due to the ECR phenomenon, between EM wave and plasma.

The community was not convinced....



Frequency tuning effect

2006- 2007 A set of measurements with the CAPRICE ion source at the GSI test bench has been carried out to investigate its behaviour in terms of <u>intensity</u> and <u>shape</u> of the extracted beam when the microwaves generating the plasma sweep in a narrow range of frequency (±40 MHz) around the klystron centre frequency (14.5 GHz).

Remarkable variations have been observed confirming that a frequency dependent electromagnetic distribution is preserved even in presence of plasma inside the source.

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Evolution of the beam shape and of the beam current with the frequency





Microwave power = 500 W Sweeping time = 150 sec P_{inj} = 4.3 10⁻⁶ mbar

VT1 viewer (around 25 cm far from the extraction electrode)

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•Perturbations!

•Some modes has similar resonant frequencies, however we cannot argue if they are TE or TM modes. But...

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LP position-

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S₁₁ with plasma and LP @ z=172 mm

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•A clear modal structure is present when the plasma is created.

•<u>Attention</u>: The analysis do not permit to affirm which modes are excited. This is another story...

Langmuir probe measurement N_e =5.98·10¹⁵ at/m³ for: MW power= 70 W Gas pressure= 0.7 mbar



Frequency variation with the gas of the mode around 2.3 GHz.



•The resonance shifts to higher frequencies decreasing the gas pressure.

•From the LP measurement and by supposing the cavity filled by homogeneous plasma it is possible to calculate the frequency shift.



Calculation of frequency shift

	Mode	Calculated res. Freq. air [GHz]	Calculated Res. Freq plasma (ne=5.98*10 ¹⁵) [GHz]	Measured Res. Freq. probe [GHz]	Measured Res. Freq. WR284 [GHz]
1	TE ₁₁₁	1.39896	1.45878	1.3978	
2	TM ₀₁₀	1.67507	1.74669	1.6731	
3	TE ₁₁₂	1.70123	1.77397	1.6897	
4	TM _{0 1 1}	1.76585	1.84136		1.7534
5	TM ₀₁₂	2.01378	2.09989		1.9822
6	TE ₁₁₃	2.11092	2.20119	2.0838	
7	TE ₂₁₁	2.19960	2.29366	2.2091	2.2089
8	TM ₀₁₃	2.37005	2.47139	2.3687	
9	TE ₂₁₂	2.40320	2.50596		2.4033
10	TE ₁₁₄	2.57732	2.68752	2.5288	2.5287
11	TM ₁₁₀	2.66896	2.78308	2.6925	2.6925
12	TE ₂₁₃	2.70872	2.82455	2.6975	2.6975
13	TE ₀₁₁	2 72695	2 94245	2 7109	
14	TM _{1 1 1}	2.72005	2.04040	2.7190	
15	TM ₀₁₄	2.79351	2.91296	2.8191	2.8191
16	TE ₀₁₂	2 90259	2 01720	2 8056	2 8056
17	TM ₁₁₂	2.09000	3.01730	2.0900	2.0900

The electron density measured with the Langmuir probe positioned at 17.2 cm inside the plasma chamber at 0.7 mbar gas pressure and 70 microwave power was about 5.98*10¹⁵/m³

$$\longrightarrow \omega_p = \sqrt{\frac{n_e e^2}{m_e \varepsilon_0}} \longrightarrow \varepsilon_r = \left(1 - \frac{\omega_p^2}{\omega^2}\right)$$

The modes that exists inside a cylindrical cavity will shift to higher frequencies if the electrical perimittivity of the medium that fill it becomes smaller



The mode TE₂₁₁ should shift to a frequency about 90 Mhz higher according with the reflection coefficient measurement





Frequency variation with the gas of the mode around 2.3 GHz.





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Comparison between calculations and measurements with the Langmuir probe





Frequency variation with the power of the mode around 2.2 GHz.



•The resonance shifts to higher frequencies increasing the microwave power.

•From the LP measurement and by supposing the cavity filled by homogeneous plasma it is possible to calculate the frequency shift.



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Final remarks

- An electromagnetic modal structure has been observed inside the plasma chamber even in presence of plasma.
- The frequency tuning effect can be explained as a change of the electromagnetic field distibution on the ECR surface. This change affects not only the current produced by the ion source, but also the process of ion beam formation as shown from many hours of video collected at GSI...
- The measurement of the frequency shift gives a rough evaluation of the plasma density.
- Calculations have been reliable for 2.45 GHz.
- Measurement on high performance ECRIS to further investigate the prevuious observations have been planned.



TWT vs. Kly: the first data

• Preliminary results published in 2002 (ECRIS2002, NIMA).



Measured current for the highest charge states of Argon obtained by the source CAESAR at 150 W.

Comparison of the currents for the different charge states of Oxygen obtained by the source SERSE at 290 W and 550 Watt (with the klystron) and at 290 W (with the TWT).

Beam current (eµA)



Why? Speculation on ECR condition





When TWT is used VOLUME EFFECT takes place?





SERSE S-parameters (13.9-14.1 GHz) in vacuum





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Experimental rsults: video on VT1

He gas

Sweep Time: 15 sec

Freq: 14.5 GHz±40 MHz

Power: 500W

P_{ini}=4.3·10⁻⁶ mbar



Experimental results: reflection coefficient and beam currents evolution with the frequency

Reflect

tion Coe

officient



•A rather good agreement can be observed with refl. coef.

•Z_{eq} change with freq. leading to a larger or smaller power into the cavity.

•14.48-14.5 GHz current increase for a decrease of net power.

The results are not only due to the anount of power entering but also to the way the EM field is distributed within the cavity and consequently coupled to the plasma here confined.

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Experimental set-up







Reflection coefficient and total current extracted from the ion source at different microwave power

The peak around 14.49 GHz shifts in frequency and changes in shape by increasing the power from 100 to 500 W.

This phenomena is due to the change of the plasma parameters (concentration and relative spatial distribution of electrons and ions) which will also cause a change of the "equivalent (cavity + plasma) impedance", seen by the input waveguide

The produced currents have a saturation at a power greater than 200 W.



Reflection coefficient and total current extracted from the ion source at different gas pressure

The source behaviour has been also investigated by increasing the pressure in the source plasma chamber from 3.5.10⁻⁶ mbar to 9.0.10⁻⁶ mbar with standard magnetic field conditions and at a microwave power of 300 W





Ion dynamics and ion beam formation



Perturbations of the Primary Plasma Potential (PPP), due to the electric field patterns, strongly influence the beam formation.

- 1) Uniform E field pattern: ions weakly
 - pattern: ions strongly



Ion dynamics and ion beam formation



1) Optimal Source performances: Higly Charged ions concentrated in the center of the extracted beam

2) Bad Source performances: ion scattering injects lowly charged ions in the loss cone. The beam periphery is populated by LCI



Also Ion Dynamics may take advantage from Frequency Tuning



Evolution of S₁₁ with plasma

QuickTime™ e un decompressore sono necessari per visualizzare quest'immagine.