





Overview on High Intensity Heavy Ion Linacs

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Content



- Heavy ion driver linacs why and how
- Progress in linac components
- Existing facilities and
 - facilities under construction

Please be aware that the presentation is not complete with respect to the last two items, examples only!

Mission



Mission of heavy ion linacs

- 1) Experiments around the Coulomb barrier at around a few A MeV
- 2) Driver beam for research facilities at a few hundred A MeV
- 3) Injector for a cyclotron or synchrotron driving medical or high energy facilities up to LHC energies

Mission example for 1)

SHE research at RILAC K. Morita et al., J. Phys. Soc. Jpn 81, 103201 (2012)







Average current: 0.47 pµA on target 3 events / 576 days during 2003 - 2012

[1] T. Nakagawa et al., Rev. Sci. Instr. 71, 637(2000).
[2] O. Kamigaito et al., Rev. Sci. Instr. 76, 013306 (2005)

Mission example for 2)



FRIB - facility MSU, Michigan, USA: Linac driven 200 A MeV < W(Uranium ions) < 400 A MeV (Upgrade)



https://frib.msu.edu/_files/pdfs/frib_opening_new_frontiers_in_nuclear_science.pdf

Mission example for 3)

FAIR – facility at GSI Darmstadt, Germany 11.4 A MeV Unilac & SIS18 & SIS100





Radioisotopes
 Prozess
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Other research topics:

- Strange matter
- Compressed
 baryonic matter
- Antiproton experiments
- Warm dense matter
- Atomic& Bio physics

CW versus pulsed beam operation



The facilities differ a lot in duty factor, beam current and time averaged particle current.

Comparison for uranium ion beams

• CW operation: U^{30+} from a 20 *GHz* ECR – source like the Berkley LBL – VENUS source, $W_f = 200$ A MeV:

Up to $200 e\mu A$ time averaged beam current may be delivered to the target by cw linacs (FRIB, RISP..), corresponding to about $5 \cdot 10^{13} pps$, 400 kW on target!

It is however a hard task to reach this goal with heavy ions, due to their massive particle-wall interaction.

CW versus pulsed beam operation



- Pulsed beam example: U^{4+} from GSI VARIS source, - Gas stripper at 1.4 A MeV into U^{28+}
- Linac output: 11.4 *A MeV*, 20 *emA* U^{28+} , d.f. 10^{-4} ; After SIS100: $\bar{I} = 2 \ e\mu A$, about $5 \cdot 10^{11} \ pps$.
- This current level can be delivered to the target by synchrotrons only with applying multi turn injection of the linac beam!
- That means: Two orders of magnitude in beam reduction have to be compensated in case of the synchrotron facility by:
- Higher production cross sections with higher beam energy
- Higher separator efficiency (less divergence) at higher fragment energy
- Advantage of pulsed beam structure for fragment injection into storage rings



Progress in heavy ion linac components

- High current ion sources
- RFQ's
- RT DTL's
- SC DTL's

High current ion sources



 Electron Cyclotron Resonance ECR source is the working horse for long pulse and CW operation

28 GHz VENUS ECR, LBNL Berkeley

Superconducting Coils

Plasma chamberinner diameter150 mmMirror fields in / out4.0 T / 3.0 TRadial field max2.4 T





Development of U beam at RILAC2



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Development of large HT-oven containing 3g - UO₂ in the crucible



High current ion sources

Ion

Beam

16**O**6+

IMP SECRAL

Beam intensity

(eµA)

F 6100

LBNL VENUS

beam Intensity

(eµA)

4750

523

4

285

770

100

330

6

300

27

440



Record beam intensities produced by SECRAL I&II

• For the first time in ion source history, Ar¹¹⁻¹⁴⁺, Kr¹⁸⁺, Xe²⁶⁺ > 1 emA

TRAP

- **Open a new era: HCI DC beams -- emA**
- Important to intense-beam heavy ion linac





45 GHz ECR magnet development





High current ion sources Pulsed Electron Beam Ion Source EBIS

Ions	He - U
Q / m	≥1/6
Current	> 1.5 emA (10 µS)
Pulse length	10-40 µs
Rep rate	5 Hz
Output energy	2 MeV / u
$\Delta P/P$	<0.05%
Time to switch species	1 second

lon species	Charge State	lons into Booster		
Не	2+	9.0 10 ⁹		
С	5+	4.4 10 ⁹		
Si	11+	2.7 10 ⁹		
Fe	20+	8.1 10 ⁸		
Au	32+	1.1 10 ⁹		

BNL EBIS Preinjector, providing lons to RHIC and NSRL since 2010





High current ion sourcesPulsed Vacuum Arc Ion Source VARIS

Technical data

for uranium:



Extraction system:

- > Triode ext. system
- > Multi aperture: 13 holes, ø 3 mm
- > Aspect ratio: S = 0.5
- MAX ext. voltage: U_{ext} = 35 kV
- Emission area: 92 mm²

Revolver with

- > 2 Solenoids:
- > Arc current:
- > Typical duty cycle:
- > Working Material:
- > Life time:

17 Cathodes 0.1 and 0.2 Tesla up to 1 kA 1 Hz / 0.5 ms ductile metals

~1 week

1 - Ignition trigger
2 - Coil 1
3 - Cathode
4 - Coil 2
5 - Anode
6 - Grids
7 - Plasma electrode
8 - Isolator
9 - Screening elect.
10 - Ground elect.





- > higher emission current density: 170 mA/cm²
- > better pulse-to-pulse stability
- reduced intensity fluctuations during the pulse
- > U⁴⁺ beam current in front of the RFQ: 15 mA

R. Hollinger, M. Galonska, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. in Phys. Res. **B 239** (2005)

Uranium Current in front of the RFQ might be doubled by a new, straight injector line







RFQ's



Heavy ions at very low charge state need low frequency structures



TRIUMF ISAC 35 MHz RFQ Split-Ring, 8m, CW, 75 kV, (low current rad. isotopes), $^{A}/_{q} \leq 30$



10 mA Ar^{1+} , →15 mA U^{4+} MOPTS036 GSI Unilac HSI – RFQ, 36 MHz IH-RFQ, 9.2 m, pulsed, 125 kV H_{110} -mode; $\emptyset_i = 0.76m$; $^{A}/_{q} \le 60$ 18

RFQ's



4-Vane-RFQ with "windows", lowering frequency; Example: 60.625 MHz ANL ATLAS RFQ, CW, $A/q \le 7$, 30 – 295 A keV, $L_V = 3.81 m$, 70 kV, 60 kW, 12.125 MHz bunch sequence, external buncher Multi-cell split-coaxial structure with trapezoidal modulation, P.N. Ostroumov et al., PHYS.Rev.ST ACCELERATORS AND BEAMS15, 110101 (2012)





4-Vane RFQ's

80 MHz RFQ's for $A/q \leq 7$ were established at:

- FRIB MSU,
- RISP RAON,
- HIAF IMP

 $W_f = 500 \ AkeV,$ $L \cong 5m,$ $\emptyset \approx 940 \ mm$





Photo: Installed FRIB - RFQ in tunnel

Scheme: FRIB - RFQ module 108 MHz CW RFQ for GSI CW Linac: D. Koser et al. Proc. IPAC2018, Coop. of IAP Frankfurt & NTG GmbH

 $^{A}/_{q} \leq$ 7, $L \cong$ 2.5 m,



4-Rod RFQ's

Tested at 130 kW/m,100 kV

Cu Electroforming





Courtesy: A. Bechtold NTG GmbH



New RFQ research topic Higher operation frequencies



• 4-Vane type: CERN 750 MHz!

H.W. Pommerenke et al.,Proc. LINAC18, Beijing, p. 822



 4-Rod type: IAP Frankfurt, 325 MHz Ladder-RFQ

M. Schuett et al., Proc. LINAC18, Beijing, p. 826



Manufacturer: Fa. Kreß GmbH

RT DTL's

- IH DTL is used for driver beams at:
- GSI-Unilac: U^{4+} , 15 mA, and U^{28+} injectors, 1.4 A MeV
- CERN Linac3 for LHC: Pb²⁷⁺ injector, 4.2 A MeV
- BNL EBIS injector for RHIC, Au^{27+} , 2 A MeV
- Dubna NICA HILAC, Au³⁰⁺, 3.2 A MeV
- Dubna NICA LILAC, C⁴⁺, 15 mA, 7 A MeV (under constr.)
- Several tumor therapy centers, C⁴⁺, 7 A MeV





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217 MHz,
20 MV, 3.8 m
0.4 – 7 A MeV
900 kW
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 C^{4+}





36 MHz, 38 MV, 9 m, Ø = 2m120 - 743 A keV, 950 kW

 U^{4+}

RT DTL's

Alvarez – DTL is used for driver beams at:

• GSI-Unilac: U²⁸⁺, 20 mA, 1.4 – 11.4 A MeV (since 1975)



- Replacement of A1-A4 by current optimized Alvarez-DTL design, low duty factor
- production of the first-of-series (FoS) cavity section is ongoing
- external production of big parts: mantle and end plates
- internal production of smaller parts (spare part management)
- GSI's galvanic workshop can Cu-plate big & small parts







Transition RT to SC DTL

- FRIB, RISP, HIAF get 500 A keV from the RFQ.
- FRIB and RISP directly inject into SC 2 gap QWR's
- HIAF is discussing an alternative: IH-DTL up to 1.5 A MeV (Scheme2, $P \cong 100 \, kW$):





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The first SC heavy ion linac was developed by L.M. Bollinger et al. at ANL. Beams since 1981. Split – Ring 3 gap resonators, later 4 gap QWR's for PII





Main SC cavity types used today for heavy ions:



Quarter wave resonators
 QWR, 2 gaps



 $\beta_0 = 0.53$

 Half wave resonators HWR, 2 gaps

Example: FRIB cavities

A. Facco et al. Proc. of IPAC12, New Orleans p. 61

Resonator	QWR1	QWR2	HWR1	HWR2
eta_0	0.041	0.085	0.29	0.53
f(MHz)	80.5	80.5	322	322
V_a (MV)	0.81	1.8	2.1	3.7
E_{v} (MV/m)	31	33	33	26



Example: FRIB cavities continued



J.T. Popielarski et al. Proc. of 2017 SRF workshop Lanzhou, p. 715



 Baloon type Single Spoke 325 MHz development at RAON

D. Jeon et al., Proc. SRF2017, Lanzhou, p.36



CH cavity development
 The only multi-cell cavity for the low - β range Investigations at 217 MHz with beam (EQUUS dynamics), IAP Frankfurt, GSI Darmstadt, HIM Mainz







Matching line - demonstrator – test bench



Facilities existing or under construction





- Total of 12 CH cavities
- Each cryo module contains 3 CH cavities + 1 rebuncher + 2 solenoids
- Variable beam energy 3.6-7.5 MeV/u

7.7

8.6

9.9

10.9

12.3

13.2

14.6

5.5

6.2

7.0

7.8

8.7

9.5

10.5

4.2

4.7

5.2

5.8

6.4

7.0

7.6

CH5

CH6

CH7

CH8

CH9

CH10 CH11

CM3

CM4

FRIB 200 MeV/u, 400 kW, all stable ions to be accelerated, 4 Types of Superconducting (SC) Cavities, 6 Types of Cryomodules (CMs) with 69 SC Solenoids, 138 SC correctors, and beam position monitors inside



FRIB

Stage 2 and 3 Beam Commissioning Goals accomplished within 1 week, respectively, becoming world's highest energy CW hadron linac 100 % transmission (meas. accuracy better than 1 %)

- August 2014: Technical construction started
- Staged beam commissioning with installation in parallel
 - Stage 1: Low Energy Beam Transport (LEBT), RFQ, Medium EBT: done
- Stage 2: All β =0.041 CMs: done
- Stage 3: Linac Segment 1 (all β = 0.041 and β =0.085 QWR CMs) just done. Ar, Ne, Kr, Xe were accelerated up to 20.3 MeV/u



- Stage 4: Linac Segment 2 (all β = 0.29 and 12 β =0.53 HWR CMs) planned in Mar, 2020
- December 2021: Forecast early completion (June 2022: Baseline Critical Dedision-4 (project completion))



Transverse focusing by 9 T solenoids, integrated in cryomodules

Linac Segment 1 containing 15 QWR CMs



Facility for Rare Isotope Beams U.S. Department of Energy Office of Science Michigan State University

FRIB

Liquid Lithium Charge Stripper System Established More than 10 days Continuous Operations Completed



Superconducting ECR ion source is on track

- Assembly to be completed in 2019
 - Magnet was completed and tested at LBNL
 - Cryostat assembly started March 2019
 - Coldmass instrumentation assembly in process on the helium vessel
- Test in 2020



Facility under construction



The RAON facility in South Korea is under construction. The RISP project developes a driver linac with similar beam characteristics like FRIB.

For more details see :

D. Jeon et al., Proc. SRF2017, Lanzhou, p.36 P. Ostroumov, Proc. of the LINAC18, Beijing, Slides



RI Beam Factory (RIBF) at RIKEN

Y. Yano, NIM B261 (2007) 1009 H. Okuno et al., PTEP 2012 03C002





 \rightarrow **ALL** ions can be accelerated up to 345 MeV/u (70% of *C*) in **CW** mode.





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Injectors for carbon therapy, C^{4+} from ECR

- At first a very big linac at HIMAC, Chiba, Japan (4-Vane RFQ and Alvarez-DTL, $\cong 30m$)
- 7 A MeV, 5m linac for HIT Heidelberg, Germany (217 MHz, 4-Rod RFQ and IH-DTL with KONUS dyn.)

B. Schlitt Proc. of the LINAC08 Conf., Victoria, BC, Canada, p. 720-724

 4 A MeV, 6m linac for Gunma University, Japan (200 MHz, 4-Vane RFQ and IH-DTL with APF dyn.)
 T. Ohno et al., Carbon ion therapy at the Gunma University Heavy Ion Medical Center: new facility set-up, Cancers 2011,3, p. 4046.



Example: 217 MHz Carbon linac from GSI/IAP

21 MV C⁴⁺ injector for medical synchrotrons: 217 MHz 4-Rod-RFQ & IH-DTL with KONUS dynamics



IAP Frankfurt and GSI Darmstadt. Commissioning report: B. Schlitt, Proc. of the LINAC08 Conf., Victoria, BC, Canada, p. 720-724



In operation at big facilities:

• CERN Linac3 \rightarrow LEIR \rightarrow PS \rightarrow SPS \rightarrow LHC Poster MOPGW069

Linac3: ECR→Ladder-RFQ→IH – DTL, 101/202 MHz, 4.2 A MeV

The Linac is the pre-injector supplying beam for the LHC, fixed target experiments from the Super Proton Synchrotron, and for radiation to electronics tests. It typically runs with 1 ion type per year (charge state out of Linac given). Transmission improved by removing an aperture restriction behind the source. In operation since 1994.

Data from D. Kuchler, CERN

	Year	Element	Mass	Source		Exit Linac	
				Charge State	Current	Charge State	Current
-	15,16,18	Lead	208	29+	170 uA	54+	30 uA
-	14	Argon	40	11+	100 uA	11+	60 uA
-	17	Xenon	129	22+	160 uA	39+	30 uA

BNL EBIS Linac

- Primary 1+ ion from external Laser ION source (LION) and Hallow Cathode Ion Sources (HCIS)
- Electron Beam Ion Source (EBIS) as charge multiplier
- RFQ from 17 keV/u to 300 keV/u, 100 MHz
- IH- Linac from 300 keV/u to 2 MeV/u, 100 MHz
- 1 Rebuncher and 2 Debunchers, 100 MHz
- In operation since 2010







Pulsed synchrotron injector linacs BNL EBIS Preinjector Operation



- Operate about 9 months per year with very high reliability.
- Automized more than 100 ion species switches/day, switching time ~40 sec .
- Routinely provide multiple ion species for NSRL simultaneously with RHIC.
- List of ions from BNL EBIS preinjector:

p,d, He^{1+,2+}, ³He²⁺,Li³⁺, C^{5+,6+}, O^{7+,8+}, Ne⁵⁺,Al¹¹⁺, Si^{11+,13+}, Ar¹¹⁺,Ca¹⁴⁺, Ti¹⁸⁺,Fe^{20+,24+}, Cu¹¹⁺, Kr²⁷⁺, Zr¹⁶⁺, Nb¹⁶⁺, Xe^{27+,35+} Ta³⁸⁺, Au^{32+,42+}, Pb³⁴⁺, Th^{39+,48+},U³⁹⁺





Pulsed synchrotron injector linacs under development



- HILAC and LILAC injectors for the NICA project in Dubna,
- HILAC: EBIS \rightarrow 4-Rod-RFQ \rightarrow IH-DTL combination; $A/q \leq 6.5$; $I \leq 5$ mA, 100 MHz, 2 IH $- tanks, W_f = 3.2$ A MeV; Design ion Pb^{32+} . Running in with beam beam was successful. Low level RF still under improvement.
- LILAC: [Pol. p, d sources and Carbon Laser source] \rightarrow 4-Rod-RFQ \rightarrow IH-DTL combination; 162.5 MHz
- $^{A}/_{q} \leq 3$; $I \leq 15$ mA, 100 MHz, 2 IH tanks, $W_{f} = 7 A MeV$;



Beam Current: $\leq 10 \ mA$ for HILAC, $\leq 15 \ mA$ for LILAC



HIAF iLinac operation mode GOETH **To BRing** SECR **Phase I: 17-22 MeV/A** iLinac - HIRIBAR ARTRAD (* > + H + HD + **Phase II: 100-200 MeV/A** Pulsed mode Parallel mode CW mode **BRing injector only BRing and experiments** Independent machine 2ms ulse mod 2.938 2.93sChallenge 16**0**6+ 2 emA 16**O**6+ 1 emA - High intensity operation ¹²⁹Xe²⁷⁺ 2 emA ¹²⁹Xe²⁷⁺ 1 emA ²⁰⁹Bi³¹⁺ 1.5 emA - Switching from one to ²⁰⁹Bi³¹⁺ 1 emA another setting. ²³⁸U³⁵⁺ 1 emA ²³⁸U³⁵⁺ 0.7 emA - Long-term reliability 0.3-5 Hz/0.2-2 ms

The world highest intensity CW HI linac project

Pulsed synchrotron injector linac under improvement



 GSI - UNILAC to be modified for FAIR to a pulse structure like:



- 4 SIS18 cycles in one second
- 1 SIS100 cycle during two seconds

Traditionally, Unilac was a 25% duty cycle accelerator!

The GSI Unilac at present





Unilac

Particle Stripping Efficiency



Beam Parameters: Charge state: **-**∎— 21 N₂-gas jet [8] 0.20 H₂- gas cell article-stripping efficiency (pulsed) **▲**— 23 **-**24 12.0 MPa Back-pressure 0.4 MPa 0.15 25 26 U⁴⁺-current (HSI) 6.0 emA 7.4 emA 27 0.10 - 28 Stripping charge state 28 +29 +- 29 Garagene - 30 Stripping efficiency 12.7±0.5% 21.0±0.5% 0.05 -Pulperf **---** 31 get salar - 32 Energy loss 14±5 keV/u 60±5 keV/u -×— 33 0.00 -*-- 34 Max. current 4.5 emA 11.5 emA 24 20 12 16 Thickness [µg/cm²] 0.76 µm 0.51 µm ε_x (90%, tot.) norm. internet finte print. particle stripping efficiency [%] 20 $U^{26+} \rightarrow U^{29+}$ $\varepsilon_{\rm w}$ (90%, tot.) norm. 0.84 µm 0.96 µm Parent Buchly N_2 Mail: Instancement. 5.32 mA/µm 20.29 mA/µm Hor. brilliance (90%) 15 Beam Energy Loss: 10 U²⁸⁺ N₂-jet (max.) 14±5 keV/u Pulsed H₂-stripper cell 5 LJ²⁸⁺ 35±5 keV/u (7.5 MPa) Pulsed H₂-stripper cell LJ29+ 60±5 keV/u 0 (12.0 MPa) 21+ 23+ 25+ 27+ 29+ 31+ 33+ 35+

W. Barth, High Intensity RFQ meets Reality workshop HD 15.-16.04.2019

charge state

Unilac

Uranium High Current Injector-Performance





W. Barth, et al., Phys. Rev. ST Accel. & Beams 20, 050101 (2017)



Conclusions



- Wordwide revival in heavy ion linac development, triggered by large research facilities and by applications
- Characteristics are low frequency and low β
- Transition from RT to SC technology still in a flow
- Technical capabilities for a realization of heavy ion linacs at higher frequencies are improving (LEBT emittances, RFQ – production quality, drift tube techniques like permanent magn. quads, lens free sections...



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