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CHARACTERIZATION OF NSLS ACCELERATING CAVITIES USING IMPEDANCE MEASUREMENT TECHNIQUES

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Abstract

Impedance measurements, using a central wire to simulate the electron beam, were performed on a 52 MHz accelerating cavity at the National Synchrotron Light Source (NSLS). To damp higher-order modes (HOM) in this cavity, damping antennas have been installed. We implemented the impedance measurement technique to characterize the cavity modes up to 1 GHz and confirm the effectiveness of the damping antennas. Scattering parameters were measured using a network analyzer (HP 8510B) and values for R and Q were extracted using a new analytical technique. Our results showed good agreement with URMEL simulations and with other independent Q measurements. This technique offers a more time-effective technique for obtaining R/Q, compared with the bead-pull method.

I. HOM MEASUREMENTS ON THE NSLS 52 MHZ CAVITY

As part of an upgrade for the X-ray Storage Ring at the NSLS, a fourth 52 MHz cavity was recently installed. To damp higher-order modes (HOM) in this cavity, five damping antennas have been installed, as shown in Fig 1. To characterize the cavity modes and the effectiveness of this damping technique, we implemented the impedance measurement technique [1-3], where a wire is introduced at the center of the component under test (the cavity). An rf current is fed into this coaxial configuration and the resulting surface current distribution on the inner surface of the structure simulates the current distribution produced by a beam of charges. The existence of any discontinuity in the structure perturbs the current.

A central wire of radius $r_1 = 1.6$ mm was fitted through the center of the cavity. Two spacers of 30 cm length and a radius $r_2 = 36.4$ mm were connected to the cavity flanges, as shown in Fig. 2.a. The characteristic impedance of the spacers and the beam pipe in the cavity was $Z_2 = 187.5 \Omega$. Each spacer was inserted between a cavity flange and a coaxial cable ($Z_1 = 50 \Omega$), which was connected to a port of the network analyzer. A frequency range from 45 MHz to 1 GHz was examined to locate higher-order modes. Any mode which produced a change in $S_{21} \ge 5dB$ was included in the

subsequent high-resolution measurements. Seventeen modes were identified with the damping antennas in place, and thirty with the antennas removed. Following these measurements, the gap in the cavity was shorted by inserting an expanding sheet-metal sleeve, and all forty-seven high-resolution scans repeated.



Fig. 1 HOM damping antennas in the 52 MHz cavity.

II. EXTRACTION OF CAVITY IMPEDANCES FROM SCATTERING PARAMETERS MEASUREMENTS

Characterizing different modes of the 52 MHz cavity involved evaluating the shunt resistance R_{sh} , and the quality factor Q, for each mode, before and after damping. This required calculating the impedance $Z(\omega)$ for each mode from the measured transmission response $S_{21}(\omega)$ for the system shown in Fig 2.a, and modeled in Fig 2.b.

The system was modeled as cascaded networks, each of which is described by an S-matrix. It is more convenient to describe each section of the system by a transfer matrix relating incident and reflected waves at one port to the incident and reflected waves at the other port [4]:

$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ b_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} T_{11} & T_{12} \\ T_{21} & T_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_2 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$
(1)

This form of network description is mathematically convenient for obtaining the overall T-matrix of the cascaded system. Since the network analyzer measurements are in terms of Sparameters, one needs to convert from the T-matrix to the Smatrix, using Eq. 2.

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Fig. 2 Configuration for impedance measurement and the corresponding network model

$$\begin{pmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} \\ S_{21} & S_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{T_{21}}{T_{11}} & T_{22} & -\frac{T_{21} & T_{12}}{T_{11}} \\ \frac{1}{T_{11}} & -\frac{T_{12}}{T_{11}} \end{pmatrix}$$
(2)

Based on the network model shown in Fig 2.b, the Tparameters representation for the system can be written as:

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} e^{\gamma_{1}l_{1}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\gamma_{1}l_{1}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{1-\Gamma} & \frac{\Gamma}{1-\Gamma} \\ \frac{\Gamma}{1-\Gamma} & \frac{1}{1-\Gamma} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\gamma_{2}l_{2}'} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\gamma_{2}l_{2}'} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\star \begin{pmatrix} \frac{Z+2Z_{2}}{2Z_{2}} & -\frac{Z}{2Z_{2}} \\ \frac{Z}{2Z_{2}} & \frac{2Z_{2}-Z}{2Z_{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\star \begin{pmatrix} e^{\gamma_{2}l_{2}''} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\gamma_{2}l_{2}''} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{1+\Gamma} & -\frac{\Gamma}{1+\Gamma} \\ -\frac{\Gamma}{1+\Gamma} & \frac{1}{1+\Gamma} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e^{\gamma_{1}l_{1}} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-\gamma_{1}l_{1}} \end{pmatrix} (3)$$

where,

 $\gamma \equiv$ Propagation constant in each transmission line section. $\Gamma \equiv$ Reflection coefficient,

$$\Gamma = \frac{Z_2 - Z_1}{Z_2 + Z_1}$$
(4)

Conversion to S-parameters, gives

$$S_{21} = (1 - \Gamma^{2}) / \left[\left(\frac{Z + 2Z_{2}}{2Z_{2}} \right) e^{2\gamma_{1}l_{1} + \gamma_{2}L_{2}' + \gamma_{2}L_{2}''} + \left(\frac{Z}{2Z_{2}} \right) \Gamma e^{2\gamma_{1}l_{1} + \gamma_{2}L_{2}' - \gamma_{2}L_{2}''} + \left(\frac{Z}{2Z_{2}} \right) \Gamma e^{2\gamma_{1}l_{1} - \gamma_{2}L_{2}' - \gamma_{2}L_{2}''} + \left(\frac{Z}{2Z_{2}} \right) \Gamma 2e^{2\gamma_{1}l_{1} - (\gamma_{2}L_{2}' + \gamma_{2}L_{2}'')} \right]$$

$$(5)$$

Solving for the cavity impedance gives

$$Z = \frac{\left[\frac{2Z_2}{S_{21}} (1 - \Gamma^2) e^{-2\gamma_1 l_1} - 2 Z_2 e^{\gamma_2 l_2} (1 - \Gamma^2 e^{-2\gamma_2 l_2})\right]}{\left[e^{\gamma_2 l_2} (1 + \Gamma^2 e^{-2\gamma_2 l_2}) + \Gamma e^{\gamma_2 \Delta l_2} (1 + e^{-2\gamma_2 \Delta l_2})\right]}$$
(6)

where,

$$l_2 = l_2' + l_2'', \qquad \Delta l_2 = l_2' - l_2''$$

A program was written to obtain the impedance $Z(\omega)$ (magnitude and phase) for each of the cavity modes from the measured S-parameter data. A normalization step was included to account for phase shift and attenuation in the network analyzer. The program then calculates $Z(\omega)$ according to Eq.(6) using corrected $S_{21}(\omega)$ values (in phase and magnitude). The resulting $\phi_z(\omega)$ and $|Z(\omega)|$ for each cavity mode serve as inputs to a search program to find shunt the resistance R_{sh} , the resonant frequency f, and the 3dB-bandwidth. As a sample of the results obtained, the extracted $Z(\omega)$ for the cavity HOM at f= 275.1 MHz, with and without damping antennas installed, is shown in Fig 3.



Fig. 3 Mode (f=275.1 MHz) impedance with and without damping antennas installed.

f(MHz)	COMPARISON WITH COMPUTER SIMULATION		COMPARISON WITH PROBE Q-MEASUREMENT			
			UNDAMPED		DAMPED	
	R/Q (ſJ)		Q		Qd	
	THIS WORK	URMEL	THIS WORK	PROBES	THIS WORK	PROBES
53.2	66.053	64.102	10,471	16,100	7598	13800
275.1	14.156	14.848	36,122	33,050	145.0	160
338.1	0.413	0.209	26,663	26,500		30
397.8	5.492	5.240	27,367	26,800		30
511.2	6.302	18.034	23,342	26,450		200
586.1	20.555	15.129	29,447		333.7	
663.6	0.323	0.213	37,092	37,500	1697	1900
713.8	0.260	0.347	44,822	44,000		180
756.8	0.066	0.045	35,746	37,100	3355	3600
792.3	2.556	3.882	14,806	10,750	1737	1900
878.2	29.799	13.869	22,260	22,680	817.7	420
954.7	0.007	0.211	30,329	48,900	2729	200
975.4	1.519	1.635	6,471	6,080	1493	340

TABLE 1 - RESULTS AND COMPARISONS

III. RESULTS AND COMPAISON WITH CAVITY SIMULATIONS AND WITH PROBE Q-MEASUREMENTS

A partial summary of our results, together with various comparisons, is presented in Table 1. An important quantity to characterize a cavity mode is its geometrical impedance R/Q. We compared our measured values of R/Q to values obtained from URMEL computer simulations. Examining the field patterns for different cavity modes using URMEL simulations reveals some explanation for the variation in agreement between measured and calculated values of R/Q. We noticed that when the fields associated with a certain mode are more concentrated in the volume close to the gap, the agreement is generally not as good, compared to other modes. Based on this observation, we argue intuitively that the perturbation introduced by the wire in the measurement has more effect on the field in such modes.

Our measured values for the Q were compared with other independent Q measurements, where transmitting and receiving probes were placed on axis [5]. These results are also listed in Table 1.

IV. CONCLUSION

The impedance measurement technique was applied to the characterization of higher-order modes in a 52 MHz

accelerating cavity at the NSLS. The results of the measurements are in good agreement with computer simulations for this cavity and in reasonable agreement with other independent measurement methods. We have developed and implemented a technique to extract the impedances of different modes from the measured S-parameters. Our analytical technique is a convenient alternative to the two approaches commonly used, namely, tapered transitions or a full calibration, which are normally needed in this type of measurement.

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