SUPERCONDUCTING PHOTOINJECTORS

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Motivation / Applications

- Produce high average current beam at high brightness
- Applications:
 - ERL light sources
 - High power FELs
 - High-energy electron cooling
 - Electron-ion colliders
 - Potential polarized electron source for ILC





Why SRF Photoinjector?

- The SRF photoinjector combines the best qualities of:
 - RF photoinjector, for high brightness electron beams (e.g. BNL ATF RF gun series)
 - High electric field for rapid acceleration and reduction of space-charge forces
 - Large total acceleration, to transport high energy electrons after the gun
 - SRF cavity, for CW operation at low RF power investment in cavity and high average current





What is the SRF injector situation around the world?

- The first successful SRF photoinjector at Rossendorf, now a 3 ½ cell 1 mA (BESSY – FZ Rossendorf – DESY – MBI)
- All niobium SRF gun, now adapted with choke joint for polarized e⁻. (BNL / AES)
- University of Peking 1 ½ cell gun with DC injector, now 3 ½ cell.
- Nb cavities with Pb cathode tested, now design for 1 ½ cell (DESY – BNL – JLab)
- BNL ¹/₂ ampere ¹/₂ cell gun subject of this talk





BESSY / FZ Rossendorf / DESY / MBI Collaboration gun

- 3 ½ cell, 1.3 GHz, 10 kW, 10 MeV, 1 mA
- CsTe cathode, choke filter, LN2 cooled
- Ideal for MHz rate FEL
- <1 μm @ 77 pC









BNL all niobium gun and ongoing developments

- 1/2 cell, 1.3 GHz.
- Test bed for photocathode R&D
- Achieved 10 nC in 10 ns









Peking University

- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cell tested
- 2 ½ cell, 1.3 GHz, 5 MeV, 1 mA
- 3.6 µm @ 100 pC
- Integral DC injector









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Nb – Pb cathode cavity TESTS at JLab









The RHIC connection

- Evolution of RHIC to a QCD laboratory calls for a luminosity increase through electron cooling and construction of a high luminosity electron-ion collider.
- These projects call for the development of a very high current ERL, including a high-current, high-brightness CW injector.
- Obviously one can use such techniques for high-power FELs, as been pointed out by the pioneers of SRF guns in KF Rossendorf.
- BNL's Collider-Accelerator Department and Advanced Energy Systems are developing a 0.5 ampere, 2 MeV SRF injector and doing R&D on polarized electron cathodes in SRF guns





Ampere-class SRF gun **BNL / AES**



¹/₂ cell (1.5 cell future), 703.75 MHz, 1 MW, 2 MeV, 500 mA. CsK2Sb cathode or diamond amplified photocathode. Emittance compensation by HTS solenoid (picture on right)





Bellows

Cathode preparation chamber





Objective: ILC / eRHIC polarized gun Possible ILC performance <0.4 μm @ 3.2 nC



Gun in cryostat with cathode inserted





Schematic of the dual opposing high-power input RF couplers





Tuner and cathode clamp











20

15

10

5

0

-5

-10

-15

-20

0

R [cm]

37.9 cm



Value

703.75

5

"Goal" parameters

• energy

- $-\,2$ to 3 MeV in $1\!\!\!/_2$ cell gun
- $-\sim$ 5 MeV in 1 ½ cell gun
- emittance @ charge (normalized rms)
 - 3 μm @ 5 nC for 1.5 cell
 - 1.4 μm @ 1.4 nC for $^{1\!\!/_2}$ cell
- Current / repetition rate for ½ cell gun
 - -0.5 ampere at either 352 MHz or 704 MHz
 - 100 mA at 9.4 MHz





Diamond amplified photocathode







Properties of diamond amplified photocathodes

- High gain (secondary current / primary current), over 350 demonstrated
- Low thermal emittance (demonstrated in reflection mode by J. Yater)
- Negative electron affinity surface (hydrogenated diamond) that works following exposure to air.
- Absolute separation of gun and cathode.





Gain vs. field as function of primary current and detrapping light











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Laser shaping of diamonds

Good laser ablation rates have been achieved using the193 nm excimer



Polycrystalline diamond



Single crystal diamond



AFM depth profile



UV ps laser shaping gives best surface.



a. Laser machined



b. UV lamp cleaned

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R&D Energy Recovery Linac Near future plans 0.5 A @ 20 MeV under construction Commissioning start 2/09





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Thank you for your attention



