PRIMARY STUDY OF HIGH POWER GRAPHENE BEAM WINDOW

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- Primary studies of high power graphene beam window
 - Vacuum performance
 - Thermal performance
 - Anti-pressure ability
 - Scattering effect
 - Radiation lifetime

Summary



What is high-power beam window?

- Used to separate high vacuum region from other atmospheres.
- Key device for high-power hadron beam accelerators.
- Beam passes through the window to impinge the target or beam dump.





Proton beam windows of some accelerators

- Side cooling (forced water)
 - CSNS (0.1 MW): A5083-O
- Surface cooling (forced water)
 - SNS (1MW): Inconel 718
 - J-PARC (1MW): A5083-O
 - ISIS (0.16MW): Inconel 718
- Multi-pipe cooling (forced water)
 - ESS (5MW): A6061-T6

Different structure (cooling), similar materials (metal)







High power high intensity (hadron) accelerators are more and more needed for different fields of science.

- Spallation neutron source (eg. ESS 5MW, 2.5 GeV)
- Accelerator-driven system (eg. CADS ~10 MW, 1GeV)
- Neutrino facility (eg. MOMENT 15 MW, 1.5 GeV)
- High intensity leads to high energy deposition. High power beam windows meet bottlenecks in heat dissipation and thermal stress.

Beam window in study

• Plasma window: in experimental stage







29 30

Cu Zn Ga

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Cd

80

81 82

50

Xe

Rn

28 Ni

24 25 26 27 Cr Mn Fe Co

Nb Mo

Tc Ru Rh Pd

76

Os

Common-used materials	A6061-T6	Inconel 718	Beryllium	GlidCop Al- 15
Thermal conductivity (W/(m [.] °C))	167	14.7	216	365
Questions	Т	hermal cond	luction problen	n
Not-used materials	Graphitized polyimide film (GPI)	Diamond film	Graphene	Graphene film
Thermal conductivity (W/(m·°C))	Up to 1750	Up to 900- 2320	Up to 4840- 5300	Up to 1940
Questions	Brittle		Very thin	Low strength
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Why Graphene?

- Low-Z.
- High thermal conductivity.
- Graphene film: low strength but high flexibility (strain up to: 16%, " " while GPI~3%, diamond film 0.4%-0.6%")

38 Sr

88 Ra 39

40 41 42 43 44 45 46

Zr

72

104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118

* Li Peng et al., Adv. Mater. 2017, 29, 1700589

Definition in this talk

- Graphene:
 - Monolayer or multilayer 2D graphene such as CVD graphene.
 - Too thin to be used as a macroscopic material.
- Graphene film:
 - Graphene-based materials such as reduced graphene oxide.
 - Can be macroscopic used.







Vacuum performance



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- Differential pressure method Facility:
 - V1: High pressure chamber.
 - V2 + V3: measured chambers much larger than V1.
 - P1/P2: Vacuum gauges.
 - RGA: residual gas analyzer.
 - F: Film to be tested, sealed fluorine rubber.
 - GV 1-3: Metal angle valves.
 - GV4: Safety valve.



Pengcheng Wang et al., "GAS Permeability Measurement of Graphene Films", IPAC'18, this conference.

RGA

Vacuum performance



Procedures:

- Installation and leak detection.
- Start pumps and bake for 24 hours.
- Measure background P-t curve.
- Measure P-t curves for different cases.
- Data processing.

Four films tested

- The 2µm graphene film on 180 µm PET substrate
- The few layer CVD graphene on 180 µm substrate
- The 180 µm PET film
- The 100 µm graphene film









Vacuum performance



Results comparison

- Leak rate difference from calculation and detection. The tested ones are recorded 30 minutes after vacuumizing. The P-t curves are recorded two days after the vacuumizing.
- For 100 µm graphene film, the saturation is too soon to test for our facility.

	The 2 µm graphene film on 180 µm PET substrate	The few layer CVD graphene on 180 µm substrate	The 180 µm PET film	The 100 µm graphene film
Helium leak rate tested by helium leak detector (Pa.m ³ /s)	1.8×10 ⁻⁷	4.2×10 ⁻⁷	4.9×10 ⁻⁷	8.4×10 ⁻⁹
Helium leak rate calculated from P-t curves (Pa.m ³ /s)	2.62×10 ⁻⁶	2.37×10 ⁻⁶	2.79×10 ⁻⁶	1.01×10 ⁻⁶
Diffusion coefficient (Pa.m ³ /s)	8.86×10 ⁻¹²	3.46×10 ⁻¹²	1.35×10 ⁻¹¹	
Solubility (mol/Pa/m ³)	1.92×10 ⁻⁴	4.39×10 ⁻⁴	1.33×10 ⁻⁴	

Vacuum performance



Results comparison

- Both the few layer graphene and the graphene film have impermeability for helium.
- For all the films tested, the 100µm graphene film has the best vacuum performance.

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Thermal diffusion coefficient test of some commercially available materials

Materials	Thermal diffusion coefficient (mm ² /s)			
	Location 1	Location 2	Location 3	Average
25 µm Nickel foil	27.944	31.817	30.633	30.141
300 layers graphene	41.422	35.126	38.455	38.334
on 25 µm nickel foil*				
30 µm graphene film	728.94	710.845	741.151	726.979

*Tested 27% enhancement of nickel foil <u>vs</u> calculated 23% enhancement.

Thickness of graphene is too small to enhance the thermal conductivity largely.



Thermal imagery (L) and temperature line (R) of four samples. (P1: 20 μm Aluminium, P2: 20μm nickel, P3: 20 μm graphene film, P4: 100 μm graphene film)



Stopping power of Carbon is relatively low.



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Assumed window

- Inner window: A6061 vs GF
- Diameter of inner window: 100 mm
- Diameter of vacuum tube: 214 mm
- Thickness of inner window: 0.1 mm
- Thickness of outer window: 2 mm

Assumed beam

- Kinetic energy: 1.6 GeV
- Uniform at the inner window
- Cooling conditions:
 - The air cooling: 3 W/(m²K) at the nonvacuum side.
 - The edge water cooling: 5000 W/(m²K) at the edge of outer window.
 - The outer water cooling: 5000 W/(m²K) at the curve part of outer window.



Assigned thermal conductivity coefficient

- GF: 1200 W/m°C
- A6061: 167 W/m°C
- Endurable beam power
 - Inner window A6061: less than 0.5 MW
 - Inner window GF: up to 17 MW
 - Assumed window, assumed beam. The values are not real, but can indicate the effect.







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Anti-pressure ability



- Graphene film: diameter 38 mm, thickness 0.1 mm
- The failure pressures are 9.5 ×10⁴ Pa, 1.64×10⁵ Pa, 1.32×10⁵ Pa, 1.84×10⁵ Pa. Basically higher than 1 atm.
- For the assumed window, if the connection can be solved, the stress will be smaller because the edge of graphene film is not fixed but connected to the metal film, which is allowed deformation.







Radiation Lifetime



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Graphene has certain resistance to irradiation

• High mechanical stability and good impermeability for small atoms even with high vacancy concentration.[#]

Calculation

- Peak current density: 251 µA/cm2.
- Max DPA is about 8.1/y*.
- Needs further investigation.



E. H. Åhlgren et al., Appl. Phys. Lett. 100, 233108 (2012). * H. Wang et al., "Design of High-power graphene beam window", IPAC'14

Distance to application



Items	Status
Vacuum performance	100 μm graphene film has a relatively high impermeability for helium.
Thermal performance	Very good. Can enhance the endurable power by 1-2 magnitude of order.
Strength	Can endure 1 atm with the diameter of 38mm
Scattering effect	Good because of thin film
Radiation lifetime	Has certain resistance to irradiation

More detailed works should be done before application.

- New technology for better materials.
- The connection between graphene film and other (metal) materials.
- Radiation resistance analyses and experiments.





Graphene beam window for MW-class or even higher hadron accelerators is being primary studied.

- The graphene film is a good candidate material for high power beam window. The performances are tested or analyzed, including vacuum performance, thermal performance, anti-pressure ability, scattering effect and radiation.
- Many detailed investigations need to be pursued before the graphene film can be exploited in real beam window for high power hadron accelerators.





Thanks for your attention!