CW and Pulsed Power Couplers – Design and Performance Review

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Will treat mainly SNS, TTF, ERL

- Will concentrate on linac projects in progress or under study.
 - i.e. no discussion of KEK-B, HERA, CESR, CEBAF, LEP....

Pulsed Power Couplers

There are few examples in operation to date

- TESLA Test Facility
 - FNAL coupler
 - TTF-II
 - TTF-III
- Spallation Neutron Source

Consequences of pulsed operation

- Lower average power
- Full transient reflection for each pulse
 - -transient standing wave
 - higher electric fields
 - -continuous phase changes
 - gas desorption

Standing wave pattern in the coupler coax line



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Standing wave pattern with Lorenz Force detuning at 25MV/m



-The standing wave pattern is changing due to the Lorenz Force detuning

the high field areas are moved to areas with normally lower fields

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Proposed and existing projects using pulsed couplers

| | frequency | Peak power | Average power | Coax diameter | Number of windows | Cavity gradient | electric field in coax, TW |
|---------------------|-----------|---------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| J-PARC KEK/JAERI | 972 MHz | 300 kW | 22.5 kW | 80 mm | 1 | 10 MV/m | 0.4 MV/m |
| SNS, J-Lab | 805 MHz | 550 kW | 48 kW | 96 mm | 1 | 12 MV/m | 0.6 MV/m |
| VUV-FEL DESY | 1.3 GHz | 250 kW | 3.25 kW | 40/60 mm | 2 | 25 MV/m | 0.8 MV/m |
| X-FEL | 1.3 GHz | 150 kW | 3.25 kW | 40/60 mm | 2 | 25 MV/m | 0.8 MV/m |
| ILC | 1.3 GHz | 500 kW | 3.25 kW | | | 35 MV/m | |

SNS Power Coupler Specification

| Parameter | Operation | Processing | |
|-----------------|------------|----------------|--|
| Impedance | 50 Ω | 50 Ω | |
| Peak power | 550 kW | 2.4 MW | |
| Pulse length | 1.3 ms | 1.3 ms | |
| Repetition rate | 60 Hz | 60 Hz | |
| Average power | Max. 53 kW | klystron limit | |
| D.C. bias | 2.5 kV | ± 2.5 kV | |



DC bias against multipactor – shown to be useful during tests

Based on coupler developed for KEK B-factory SC cavities.

Modified for SNS constraints • vacuum side has double walled outer conductor cooled by He gas. Made from Cu-coated stainless steel. Inner conductor is made from OFE copper.

- Air side OC is Cu-coated stainless steel. Water cooled IC is made of OFE copper.
- 4 diagnostic ports on vacuum side – 1 arc, 1 ep.u., 2 vacuum gauges.

SNS RF Test Facility

RF Conditioning System





SNS Couplers under test at room temperature. All now tested between JLab and ORNL.



Vacuum level modulation of RF power during conditioning. ~ 50 hours needed.

SNS Fundamental Power Coupler Performance



All couplers have been preprocessed at JLab or SNS to nearly 1 MW peak power traveling wave and full reflection to 500 kW.





During testing of cryomodules in the SNS tunnel one coupler has transferred more than **500 kW** peak power, in full reflection and with the 2 MW traveling wave peak at the end of the RF pulse

TTF Coupler Specification (1/2)

| frequency | 1.3 GHz |
|------------------------------|---|
| operation | pulsed: 500 µsec risetime, 800 µsec flat top with beam |
| Two windows !! TiN coated | safe operation clean cavity assembly for high Eacc |
| 2 K heat load | 0.06 W |
| 4 K heat load | 0.5 W |
| 70 K heat load | 6 W |
| isolated inner conductor | bias voltage, suppressing multipacting |
| Diagnostics / interlocks | sufficient for safe operation and monitoring |

TTF Coupler specification (2/2)

| | TTF | TESLA 9cell / upgrade | XFEL |
|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
| Peak power + control margin | 250 kW | 250 kW / 500 kW | 150 kW |
| Repetition rate | 10 Hz | 5 Hz | 10 Hz |
| Average power | 3.2 kW | 3.2 kW / 6.4 kW | 1.9 kW |
| Coupling (Qext) | adjustable (10 ⁶ - 10 ⁷) | fixed (3*10 ⁶) | adjustable (10 ⁶ - 10 ⁷) |

Fermilab TTF coupler



TTF-II Coupler schematic



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Meet the champ! The TTF-III Coupler



Warm assembly

Warm ceramic protection cap





Cold assembly



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Wave-guide assembly



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RF Coupler in Module



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Test stand layout





Conditioning procedure

Most labs use warm conditioning routines, and preparation procedures, which differ in detail but which are, by and large, very similar. Here is the DESY example.

- Pulse length 20 $\mu s,~$ ramp power to 1.0 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Pulse length 50 $\mu s,~$ ramp power to 1.0 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Pulse length 100 $\mu s, \ ramp \ power \ to 1.0 \ MW \ in 0.2 \ dB \ steps$
- Pulse length 200 $\mu s, \ ramp \ power \ to \ 1.0 \ MW \ in \ 0.2 \ dB \ steps$
- Pulse length 400 μ s, ramp power to 1.0 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Pulse length 800 $\mu s, \ ramp \ power to 0.5 \ MW in 0.2 \ dB \ steps$
- Pulse length 1300 μ s, ramp power to 0.5 MW in 0.2 dB steps
- Sweep power @ 1.3 ms, 50 to 500 kW.

Interlocks

- e- pick-ups, photo-multiplier, vacuum, ceramic temperature
- Wave-guide sparks stop operation!



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Performance summary from coupler operation on TTF

- All couplers in the TTF linac have been processed and operated up to the cavity performance limits.
- RF power couplers were tested up to 1 MW of pulsed power at 1.3 ms pulse length 2 Hz at the test stand.
- RF power couplers operated > 270,000 coupler*hours .
- Latest coupler design, TTF-III has simplified assembly, shown better performance and has shorter conditioning.
- TTF-III couplers have been tested together with cavities at gradients of 35 MV/m (600 kW) 5 Hz without degradation of cavity or coupler. Important for ILC !!!

30 TTF-III Couplers ordered from Industry



Series TTF-III coupler production – present design requires many technologies.





Non-destructive examination by endoscopy at LAL

Points of visual inspection



Cold assembly



Warm assembly

Observations

 \rightarrow EXCEL files \rightarrow data base

Assembly of cold part in class 10 clean room





2 couplers under test at LAL-Orsay

TTF-III coupler conditioning at Orsay. See poster ThP48 by H. Jenhani





Alternative "TESLA" coupler design





Couplers presently being tested at **DESY.** Results encouraging. See poster session ThP47.

CW operation tests of TTF-III coupler

TESLA Technology considered for BESSY FEL - as well as other 4th Generation light sources

See J. Knobloch et. al., PAC'05 – collaboration ACCEL, BESSY, Cornell, DESY, Rossendorf

Room temperature tests at Rossendorf, cryogenic tests on HoBiCaT (BESSY). Limiting component is warm inner bellows.



(cooled only by radiation and conduction)

Coupler can safely operate at 10 kW CW TW; Minor modification to allow cooling of inner conductor will allow this to increase to 25 kW. Further tests to be held at BESSY with new transmitter.



Coupler for ERL Injector Cavities

- Injector uses five 2-cell 1300 MHz cavities providing 1 MeV/cavity for 100 mA beam.
- Based on TTF-III coupler but with much higher average power – 2 x 75 kW CW.
 - Twin coupler chosen to reduce transverse kick to beam.

Main issue is higher power \rightarrow extensive thermal and RF simulations see Sobenin et. al. (EPAC04) and Belomestnykh et. al. (LINAC04) for details.

– 40 mm, 70 Ω co-ax replaced by 62 mm, 60 Ω co-ax

- Stronger coupling, higher power capability, better for multipactor.
- Re-design of bellows to handle CW power: forced air cooling of inner conductor bellows of warm assembly; additional heat intercepts to cold + warm outer bellows.

Parameters of the ERL Injector Cavity Coupler

| Central frequency | 1300 MHz | |
|---|---|--|
| Bandwidth | ±10 MHz | |
| Maximum power transferred to matched load | 75 kW | |
| Number of ceramic windows | 2 | |
| Cold coaxial line impedance | 60 Ohm | |
| Warm coaxial line impedance | 46 Ohm | |
| Coaxial line OD | 62 mm | |
| $Q_{\rm ext}$ range | $9.2 \times 10^4 \dots 8.2 \times 10^5$ | |
| Antenna stroke | ≥ 15 mm | |
| Heat leak to 2 K | < 0.2 W | |
| Heat leak to 4.2 K | < 3 W | |
| Heat leak to 80 K | < 75 W | |

ERL Injector Cavity Coupler



Reflection from the Coupler



Frequency / GHz



ANSYS Results

| | Regular Bellows | | Intercepted Bellows | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|--------------|--|
| Heat load, W | Static | With RF | Static | With RF | Requirements | |
| 2 K flange | 0.04 | 0.18 | 0.03 | 0.17 | 0.2 | |
| 5 K intercept | 0.98 | 3.50 | 1.46 | 2.45 | 3.0 | |
| 80 K intercept (before bellows) | 4.66 | 59.86 | 4.19 | 56.29 | | |
| 80 K intercept (between bellows) | | _ | -1.43 | 0.93 | | |
| 80 K flange | 3.53 | 12.13 | 3.84 | 12.00 | — | |
| Total load at 80 K | 8.18 | 71.99 | 6.60 | 69.22 | 75.0 | |
| 300 K intercept (between bellows) | -3.57 | 11.14 | -3.57 | 11.14 | | |
| 300 K flange | -0.03 | 13.39 | -0.03 | 13.39 | _ | |
| Total load at 300 K | -3.60 | 24.53 | -3.60 | 24.53 | | |

Temperature Distributions on Bellows



Optimizing the Coating and Wall Thickness

regular cold bellows





intercepted cold bellows



The thickness of copper coating on cold bellows was optimized to obtain the minimum heat load on 5 K zone. It is $18 \,\mu m$ for the regular bellows and $10 \,\mu m$ for the intercepted bellows.

The wall thickness of antenna tube should not be too small to avoid increase of heat load on 2 K due to infrared radiation.

Temperature Map of the Warm Window

Temperature of warm ceramic window does not exceed 90°C, but due to irregular heating local cooling by compressed air is required



Air Cooling of Warm Part of the Coupler



RF Power Splitting for the ERL Injector Cavity

Very strict requirements to the power dividing system:

Difference of field magnitudes on individual coupler antennae ≤ 1-2 %
Phase difference < 1°

Solution:

- Precision adjustable power divider
- Fine phase tuner
- No flexible waveguide parts between power divider and cavity couplers



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Twin Coupler Attached to the Cavity



Twin Couplers in the Cryomodule



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Coupler Mounted in the Cryomodule



SPIRAL-II DESIGN PERFORMANCE

• Transmission of 20 kW nominal power to the beam for a 100% duty cycle.

• External quality factor of 1.06×10^6 (for 1.39 MV gap voltage and QWR cavity of $\beta = 0.12$).

• Reflection coefficient of -32 dB for coupler with cylindrical ceramic and – 50 dB with disk ceramic.

| | Transmitted power 0 kW (W) | Transmitted power 20 kW (W) |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Liaison 4.2 k (1) | 0.66 | 1.1 |
| Liaison 70 k | 7.0 | 8.3 |
| Cavity (2) | 0.1 | 0.2 |

Dissipation at thermal interfaces

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SPIRAL-II Design Performance

Temperatures for 0 et 20 kW transmitted power.

| | Transmitted power (kW) | Temperature at the antenna tip (K) | Maximum temperature within the ceramic (K) | Minimum temperature within the ceramic (K) |
|------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Cylindrical ceramic | 0 | 288 | 288 | 286 |
| | 20 | 345 | 324 | 309 |
| Disk ceramic | 0 | 288 | 288 | 287 |
| | 20 | 340 | 315 | 305 |

Ceramic disk window



Cylindrical ceramic window



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Fields in the Couplers



Input power - 20 kW

LPSC (Grenoble) windows





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TEST BENCH



Power coupler development for the high energy section of high power proton LINAC (IPNO / CEA Saclay)



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and 92W (SW mode)

Overview of power coupler components



Thermal Modeling using Finite Element Thermal Analysis COSMOS/M GEOSTAR



1) Water circulation at 288K in annular space around the IC

2) Helium (5 K- 250 K) through a copper coil brazed around the OC

Recent experimental results

Critical heat load on 704 MHz SRF cavity

(CRYHOLAB Measurements March 2005)



Posters ThP53: Mehdi SOULI

Study of Thermal Interaction Between a CW 150 kW Power Coupler and a Superconducting 700 MHz Elliptical Cavity



TTF-V Proto-type



- Essentially = TTF-III "warm" part + 62 mm φ
 "cold" part.
- Larger diameter transmit more power, push multipactor levels to higher power
- Candidate coupler for a two x 9 cell TESLA/ILC cavity
- Engineering drawings and technical specifications completed.
- Four such couplers will be built in 2005 (by ACCEL) for high power tests in early 2006.
- Will be subsequently used for studies on RF conditioning times.

TW60 Coupler Proto-type



Radically different from TTF-III coupler, uses "thin" planar ceramic windows.
Easy to braze, low dielectric loss.
Insensitive to multipactor

Warm transition is matched with reducedheight wave-guide \rightarrow standing wave.

"Line of sight to cavity"

Cold window matched with reactive impedance elements on inner co-ax.

Low power measurements already performed. High power tests planned for 2006 on four proto-types to be built by ACCEL.

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Cold tests using CryHoLab





•Cryostat – Built by IPN - Orsay

•Installed at CEA-Saclay to benefit from existing cryogenic infra-structure

Schematic of modified TTF-III coupler for X-FEL industrialisation studies (S. Prat).



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Closing remarks

- Power couplers remain one of the major challenges of SC RF.
- However, recent designs appear to meet technical requirements (e.g. SNS, TTF-III).
- Extensive use of codes (mechanical, thermal, RF, multipactor) are crucial for success.
- Much remains to be understood about conditioning.
- Cost still an issue for projects requiring very large numbers of couplers (X-FEL, ILC).
 - Industrialisation !!

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