

1 Overview

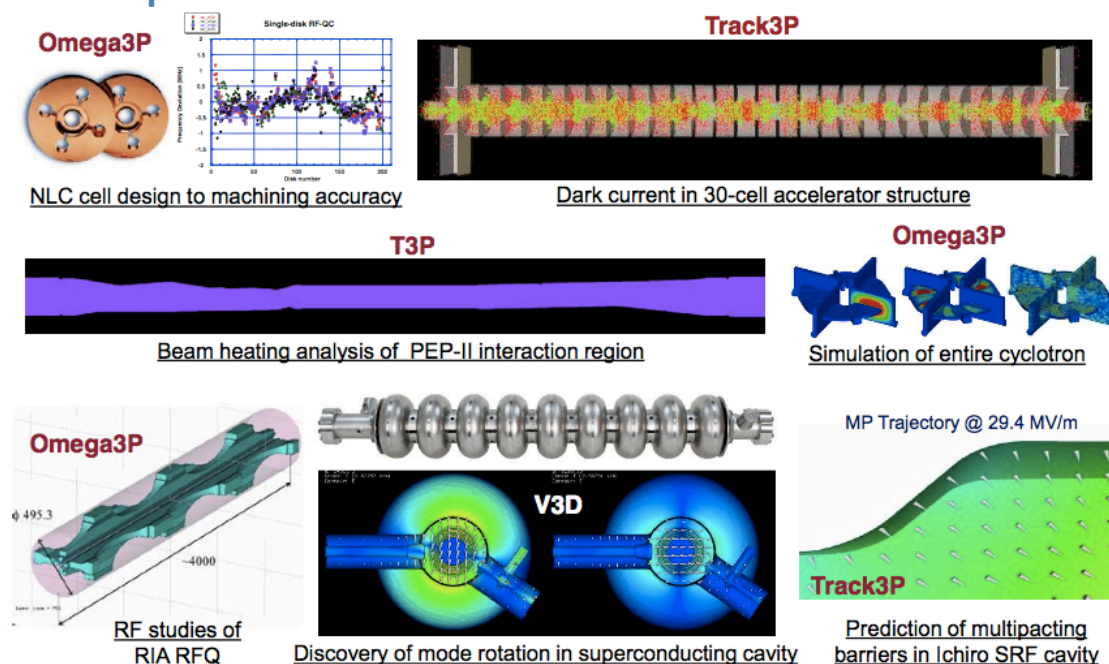
The Advanced Computational Electromagnetic 3D Parallel – Code (ACE3P) is based on the Finite Element Method (FEM) using higher order Ansatz-functions (up to 6th order) and tetrahedral curved elements. The code consists of the following modules:

- **Omega3P** Eigenvalue solver
- **S3P** Frequency domain (S-Parameters) solver
- **T3P** Time domain solver for wakefield computation
- **Pic3P** Particle in cell code for the simulation of particle-particle-interaction in RF fields
- **Track3P** Particle tracker for the simulation of multi-pacting and dark currents
- **TEM3P** Multi-physics solver for mechanical deformations and thermal problems

ACE3P runs on a super computer in the USA. Both, access and overall computing time are restricted and managed by SLAC.

Geometry preparation, meshing and result visualization, are done by 3rd party software such as CUBIT for the first two and ParaView for the later. Both programs can be installed locally.

2 Examples



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3 Features

Advantages:

- Parallel approach allows for the solutions of problems many magnitudes more complex than solvable on a desktop PC, e.g. trapped modes in long structures:
- Higher order elements significantly improve the field approximation within the mesh cells allowing for higher accuracy with less cells. Nevertheless, the approach increases the required memory.
- Moving window approach allows to reduce the computation domain of long structures to a minimum or steer the solver accuracy according to the particle presence.
- Complex eigenvalue computation allows for the solution of open or lossy structures.
- Particle tracking allows for the simulation of dark currents and multipacting for hundred thousands of particles.
- ParaView allows to post process the fields and offers broad range of display functions

Dis-advantages (or future/necessary extensions):

- No field numerical control over the mesh (adaptive meshing) → requires convergence study for every problem set.
- Missing an optimizer as well as a parameter sweep function.
- No anisotropic or field dependent material properties supported. No frequency dependent material properties implemented.
- No user manual (only user guide with examples)

4 Further Information

- Software Information Flyer (attached to this EDMS document)
- User Guide (attached to this EDMS document)
- Website:
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- ACE3P requires a NERSC computing account. Cubit and acdtool are installed on LX-Plus:
 - `/afs/cern.ch/project/parc/cubit/cubit`
 - `/afs/cern.ch/project/parc/cubit/ace3p/acdtool_serial`
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