HV pulsed power converters for H⁻ extraction

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System overview





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Integration considers fast interventions and passive components only in Faraday cage





Achievements

- Laboratory tests concluded in June 2012 as expected.
- Tests included full load and short-circuit tests thanks to a triggerable spark-gap.
- System holds 8 arc events in a row at 2*Hz* rep. rate. Maximal arc energy transferred to the source in the *J* range.
- Beam image current and co-extracted electrons where emulated with a resistance in series with the spark-gap.







Tests with triggerable spark-gap









Achievements

- Commissioning in 3MeV test-stand in July 2012, 12 months after finalised specification!
- Commissioning in Linac4 Bld in September 2013.
- System meets specifications.
- Performances limited by "old" analogue electronic.







Crash program challenges:

- From specifications, DELIVER IN 12 MONTHS!
- Design and deliver a topologically new power converter
- First time interconnection made of HV pulse transformers!
- Special mechanical integration for fast interventions









Status

- 3 x operational full systems (power electronics & transformers)
- I operating system in L4 and 1 in Bld 152 with "old" analogue electronics
- Personnel safety, material protection, remote control and basic diagnostics are guaranteed with "old" electronics
- BIS communication via CIBU not yet available
- New digital FGC3 electronics under test (first HV pulse regulation in digital control achieved)



Future work

Status: Budget

- 640kCHF has been estimated in 2011
- 717kCHF have been spent: over cost due to change in Einzel lens spec. (from 35kV to 50kV). Estimation accuracy without Einzel spec. modification better than 10%
- Remaining expenditures ~~~80kCHF

Control electronics upgrade

- New control elect. chassis under test A TE-EPC project.
- Optimization of digital control loops until December 2013.



Upgrade in 3MeV (~03.2014?) & in L4 during DTLs install.



Magnetron Power converter

Preliminary technical solutions

- Prelim. specs: 500V, 25A, 1ms pulse, 10Hz rep. rate, 10µs-20µs rise time.
- Possibility of re-use a modified version of the developed power chassis for the H⁻ HV puled power converters – no transformers.
- Possibility of installing the power electronics and controls in the klystron gallery.

Existing power chassis (7U) — Called H-DisCap.





Magnetron Power converter

- Required resources (preliminary)
 - <u>Personnel</u>: Roughly 4 months FTE (Eng. + Technician), IF the re-use of H-Discap converters is viable
 - Budget: ROUGHLY 80kCHF for 1 operating unit + 1 spare
 - Timing: Roughly 8 months if FTEs available

If technically viable, one spare H-DisCap (3 x existing today) can be used for first evaluations.





- HV system operational
- Very high reliability, up to now...
- Delay in upgrading control electronics (mid 2014)
- Total budget exceeded (~20%) mainly because of specs changes (Einzel lens)
- Magnetron power converter could be based on existing design

HV System details:

D. Aguglia, "Design of a system of high voltage pulsed power converters for CERN's Linac4 Hion source", *in IEEE Proc. 19th Pulsed Power Conference*, San Francisco, 2013, pp. 1 – 6.

