

An X-band system for phase space linearisation on CLARA

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CLARA

Compact Linear Accelerator for Research and Applications

An upgrade of the existing VELA Photoinjector Facility at Daresbury Laboratory to a 250MeV Free-Electron Laser Test Facility

Proof-of-principle demonstrations of novel FEL concepts and development of future accelerator technologies

Emphasis on Stability, Synchronisation and new FEL capabilities



CLARA

- S-band linear acceleration up to 250 MeV
- Bunch charge 20-250 pC
- High repetition rate up to 400 Hz
- Electron bunch lengths 250-850 fs
- FEL wavelengths in the UV



Lineariser requirement

- FEL requires short bunches
- 4-dipole compression
- Longitudinal phase space non-linearity from RF acceleration must be corrected
- 4th Harmonic x-band lineariser at decelerating phase



- Before lineariser
- After lineariser
- After compression
- Final energy



Lineariser specification

Frequency	11994 MHz
Maximum Physical Length	980 mm
Maximum Gradient	30 MV/m
Repetition Rate	100 Hz
RMS Amplitude Jitter	< 0.1 %
RMS Phase Jitter	< 0.3 °
Integrated alignment monitors for beam based alignment	



Proposed system

- CERN/PSI type X-band RF structure with integrated alignment monitors¹
- 16.3 MW required at the cavity for 30 MV/m operation
- 6 MW Toshiba klystron with Scandinova K200 modulator
- SLED I type pulse compression
- LLRF from industry
- Vaccum WR90 waveguide

1. Dehler et al., Phys. Rev. ST Accel. Beams 12, 062001 (2009)





Cavity

- CERN/PSI travelling wave X-band structure with 5π/6 phase advance
- 40 MV/m at 29 MW input power reported
- For 30 MV/m 16.3 MW required
- Design frequency 11992 MHz with 10 MHz tuning range





Cavity (2)

- Full length 965 mm
- The smallest aperture is 8.24 mm
- Integrated wakefield monitors allow for beam based alignment using actuators
- Two cooling circuits, blocks brazed to cavity
- Beam pipe tapers considered and rejected





LLRF

CLARA LLRF from Instrumentation Technologies

- Currently operating at S band 2998.5 MHz
- For X band propose to use the same LLRF with a frequency convertor to operate at 11994 MHz
- Libera LLRF allows amplitude and phase adjustment to the output signal in 8 nS steps which can be used to flip the pulse compressor output









Pictures of commercial s/x band frequency convertor courtesy of Gerardo D'Auria Sincrotrone Trieste

Results of S/X band conversion for LLRF operating at Trieste



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Power amplification



- Microwave amplifiers SSA
- Scandinova K200 Modulator
- Toshiba Klystron E37113
- No services ports (Power & Water) included yet.



Pulse Compression



- Similar to CLIC X-Box 3 arrangement
- Directional couplers before and after pulse compressor
- Representation not showing vacuum pumping on cavities
- Cavities will be temperature stabilised by chillers



Accelerator hall



- WR90 vacuum waveguide
- Blue line indicates top of roofbeam and bottom of roof-beam.
- Labyrinth width 1500mm, height 1600mm.
- Waveguide length ~6m



Power losses

Using assumptions:

- Attenuation in straight waveguide of 0.1 dB/m
- Manufacturers max insertion loss for other components
- Pulse compression gain of 4, as seen at XBOX
- 6 MW from klystron

We expect 19.8 MW at the cavity

Contingency:

16.9 MW for pulse compressor gain 318.3 for pulse compressor gain 3 and 6.5MW from klystron

Distance from klystron





For Further Study

- Pumping port design choice and vacuum studies
- Arc detection and IR detectors for window heating
- Pulse compressor shielding requirements



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