

Higher power couplers at Helmholtz-Zentrum Berlin

BESSY VSR and bERLin Pro

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BESSY VSR Couplers

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BESSY VSR: Challenges

Focus on changing the hardware not the optics to allow for shorter bunches with more current and a higher gradient **BESSY VSR** Variable pulse length Storage Ring

The upgrade to VSR requires the installation of four SRF cavities into the ring. Two 1.5 GHz cavities and two 1.75 GHz cavities.

This means incorporating approximately 4 m of SRF technology into the 240 m of the existing normal conducting machine.



Design challenges

- CW operation @ high field levels E=20MV/m
- High beam current (Ib=300mA),
- High peak fields on surface
- Exotic cavity design (damping end-groups)
- Cavity HOMs must be highly damped (CBIs)
- Transparent Parking of SRF Module.
- Integrating into existing storage ring

Coupler specs: 1.5 GHz coupler

Parameter	Value
Central Frequency	1.5 GHz
Bandwidth	±0.01 GHz
Max RF Supplied by amplifier	16 kW (13 kW+3 kW)
Peak power in the coupler	13 kW
Mean power	1.5 kW
Number of ceramic windows	2
Q _{ext} range	6×10 ⁶ to 6×10 ⁷
Q _{loaded}	5×10 ⁷
Peak detuning	60 Hz
RMS detuning	6 Hz
Heat leak to 2 K	<0.2 W
Heat leak to 5 K	<3 W
Heat leak to 80 K	<80 W



Evolution from the Cornell/ TTF3 deign

- Reduced power
 - Peak power 16 kW (13 kW+ 3kW low level)
 - Reduced cooling systems
- Increased Frequency
 - Operating at 1.5 GHz (and 1.75 GHz)
 - Coax impedance reduced to around 50 Ω
 - Coax diameter significantly reduced: 49 mm outer 20 mm inner
 - Same coax diameters for both warm and cold parts
- Reduced coupling:
 - Q_{ext} 6x10⁶ to 6x10⁷
 - Simplified rounded tip design



Mechanical design



Initial Engineering model of the 1.5 GHz coupler

Coupler consists of warm and cold coaxial parts with a waveguide for input power. Both warm and cold coax ϕ_0 49mm, ϕ_i 20mm, z=54 Ω . Coupler is fabricated from copper and copper plated stainless steel with a plating of 20/30 μ m. With two alumina oxide ceramic windows to preserve the vacuum.

Note: preliminary thermal tests indicated that due to poor thermal transport the coupler tip was not cooling sufficiently so the thickness of the inner conductor of the cold part was increased to combat this.

RF contact at cone

For horizontal mounting, the inner conductor warm part must be mounted before the outer conductor. Thus the size of the cone at the waveguide/coax transition must be reduced to allow for this.



Initial Thermal Analysis



- Used to identify initial problem areas.
- Thermal gradient of over 100 degrees identified at the ceramic.

50,00

150,00

Ceramic window redesign



Cut through of original ceramic window support design



The warm window in the full coupler



Temperature gradient over the cold window

Challenges:

- High thermal gradients on the ceramic
- Poor heat dissipation
- High chance of damage due to stresses

Significant issues at the cold window where it acts as a thermal bridge between inner and outer conductor at the 80K intercept. Design developed in communication with Friatec



New cold window design



New warm window design

Tip Optimisation



0.00

-1.00

Current design



Diagnostic prototype

- This will have 6-8 CF 16 ports spaced around the cold window, in two offset rings.
- This allows for the mounting of IR cameras and PT100 sensors to monitor the ceramic at cool down.

• Tested without RF, and cooled to 50-70 K to monitor how this cool down effects the ceramic.



- PT100s: 2-4 @ 80K and 300K intercept, 2-4 around cold window, 4-6 at WG/coax transition
- Cernox/PT1000: 2-4 at both the 5K and 2K flanges
- Biased electron pickups: 2-3 as shown in figure
- IR cameras: 2 around the cold window, position determined by diagnostic prototype.
- Arc detector: Above warm window on the WG

Current Thermal challenges



Mitigating the bellows heating

Reducing RF peak on the bellows

- Warm bellows reduced from 8 convolutions to 6 convolutions per bellow.
- Range of lateral movement reduced from ± 6,4 mm to ± 4,8 mm per bellow. (still within requirements)
- Bellows moved slightly to avoid field peak.

Alternative options

- Further reduce the bellows length
 - Pros: No need to integrate further cooling, minimal mechanical changes
 - Cons: Rules out higher power operation, reduces adjustability, may not work.
- Introduce water cooling on the 300K intercept
 - Pros: Will fully eliminate heating problem, no reduction in adjustability, allows for higher power operation.
 - Cons: Introduces water within the module, require more involved modifications to the mechanical design.

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bERLinPro Couplers

Subproject leader: Dr. Ben Hall

bERLinPro couplers Overview

Parameter	Value
Central Frequency	1.3 GHz
Bandwidth	±1 MHz
Max RF power supplied by the amplifier	120 kW
Mean power per coupler	110 kW
Number of ceramic windows	1
Q _{loaded}	1.05 × 10 ⁵
Total Heat Leak to 2 K	<1W
Total Heat Leak to 5 K	< 5 W
Total Heat Leak to 80 K	< 80 W

- In standing wave operation the coupler will only experience ¼ of the total power.
- Bellows do not see RF only for compensation of thermal expansion, not active tuning.
- Water cooling of inner conductor
- Currently in manufacturing stage. Warm part: FMB. Cold part: Toshiba.

Copper coating testing

Sample 1	After Brazing (780°c)
RRR (Steel + Cu):	2.3
RRR (Steel):	1.43
RRR (Cu):	7.4 (calculated)

Sample 2	Before Brazing
RRR (Steel + Cu):	8.6
RRR (Steel):	1.43
RRR (Cu):	36.4 (calculated)

- Samples consistent with work from E. Kako
- Scotch tape samples taken from the sample.
- No separation of the coating was seen

Coating analysis

- Samples were cut from the test assembly to verify the braze and copper coating.
- Braze between parts fully wets the join and appears to have no inclusions

- Droplets not observed on production pieces.
- Cu layer is a uniform thickness across samples with av. thickness of 20.5um, design thickness 20-25 um.

Production of cold part

All parts of cold part manufactured and awaiting final braze.

Thank you for your attention

Any Questions?