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# On-line beam synchronous phase calibration using beam-induced RF signals

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### Introduction (CAFe)





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### Introduction (ESS)



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#### **European Spallation Source (ESS) Layout**



Ion Species	Protons	
Output Energy	2	GeV
Frequency	352.21/704.42	MHz
Pulse Length	2.86	Ms
Peak Current	62.5	mA
Protons per Pulse	1.1 x 10 <sup>15</sup>	
<b>Repetition Rate</b>	14	Hz
Duty Cycle	4	%
Average Beam Power	5 MW	
Accelerating Structures	RFQ, DTL, SC	
	Spokes/Elliptical	
Accelerator Length	~365	m

#### **The normal-Temperature Front End**



	Buncher1	Buncher2	Buncher3
R/Q[Ω]	73.85	76.7	76.9
$Q_L$ [arb.units]	8878	8893	9470
<i>f</i> <sub>0.5</sub> [kHz]	19.83	19.80	18.6
$f_{RF}$ [MHz]	352.21	352.21	352.21
$\beta$ (v=c) [arb.units]	1.03	1.02	1.06





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#### **Limitations of Traditional Phase scan Methods**

- synchronous phase and its measurements
- To maximize the energy gain, the particle must enter the cavity at a specific point in the RF field's oscillation, which corresponds to the synchronous phase  $(\varphi_b)$ .

 $V_{acc} = V_c \cdot \cos(\varphi_b)$ 

 The measurement of the synchronous phase is performed by the BPM using the "phase-scan" method.

#### Limitations

- **1. Impact on Operations**: Takes up machine operation time due to its off-line nature, usually time-consuming
- 2. Phase Drift: hard to track phase drift caused by environmental factors



Phase drift caused by temperature changes @ CAFe





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#### **Our proposed solution: on-line beam measurement**

- It can address the challenges of traditional BPM based phase scan method to determine beam phase and beam current.
- It can provide continuous beam phase monitoring and online beam information during accelerator operation. It can solve two major problems in accelerator operation:
  - 1. Beam Loading and its compensation
  - 2. Beam Trip and Its Recovery





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#### **On-line measurement during operation:**

#### Beam Loading and its compensation

- Beam loading is very hard to fully compensate in normal conducting linac, which affects both beam transmission, and beam phase (more than 10 deg beam phase changes observed when beam compensation feedorward is not on (feedback only) for RFQ)
- Static feedforward is necessary, but knowing beam information in real time (beam current, beam on/off status) is hard
   RFQ Cavity Field with Beam Loading under Feedback & Feedforward



The beam loading of 59mA in ESS RFQ





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#### **On-line measurement during operation:**

#### Beam Trip and Its Recovery:

• Detect beam trip, disclose beam information (status, phase, current, energy gain, etc) is essential for preventing overshoot due to no beam (beam compensation feedforward still on).

Overshoot at beam on	62.5mA	63.5mA
RFQ	5%	5%
DTL1	9%	11%
DTL2	8%	8%
DTL3	8%	8%
DTL4	7%	7%







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Transient Beam-loading Method

• Steady-state V<sub>f</sub> Method

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- Beam-loading effect: Refers to the influence of charged particle beam on the accelerating RF filed within an RF cavity
- Beam-induced transient vector: The transient vector (V<sub>tr</sub>) induced by the beam in the Inphase/Quadrature (I/Q) domain under open-loop (OL) operation



P Pawlik et al.,, New method for beam induced transient measurement, Meas. Sci. Technol. 18 (2007) 2348–2355





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• Beam current and phase can be calibrated using the beam-transient-induced  $V_{\rm c}$  vector  $V_{\rm tr}$ 

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• Method was confirmed at ESS buncher cavity (open-loop,  $I_{b}$ =20 mA, Beam width = 5  $\mu s$ )



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0.9

0.8

0.7

10

-20

-10

0

10

20

Time [µs]

30

40

 $\Delta \theta$  = -45 deg

 $\Delta \theta$  = -20 deg



 $\Delta \theta$  = 45 deg

Normalized Vc

1.1

Bottlenecks: Requires the cavity to operate w/o detuning (in the case of a normal conducting cavity) and under OL conditions



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The vector  $V_{tr}$  is **NOT** straight under closed-loop operation

The vector  $V_{tr}$  is **NOT** straight if the cavity is detuned (especially for the normal conducting cav. case)

 $\Delta \theta = 0 \deg$ 

0.05

units]

-0.05 -0.1

l] -0.1 -0.15 -0.2

-0.25

-0.3

0.7

 $\Delta \theta$  = 20 deg

Norm. V<sub>c</sub>

Straight  $V_{tr}$  (detuning = 0)

0.9

Real part [norm. units]

8.0





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Bottlenecks: Requires the cavity works w/o detuning (for Bun2) and under OL



#### Hard to calibrate the beam information

 $\rightarrow$  We need a new algorithm that is suitable for both closed-loop operation mode and cases with detuning





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• **Principle:** Compare the steady-state (SS)  $V_{\rm f}$  vectors in case of with  $(U_{\rm wb})$  and w/o beam  $(U_{\rm nb})$ 

w/o beam 
$$\begin{cases} \frac{dV_{c0}}{dt} + (\omega_{0.5} - j\Delta\omega)V_{c0} = 2\omega_{0.5}\frac{\beta}{1+\beta}V_f \\ \frac{dV_{c0}}{dt} + (\omega_{0.5} - j\Delta\omega)V_{cb} = 2\omega_{0.5}\frac{\beta}{1+\beta}V_{fb} + \omega_{0.5}V_b \end{cases}$$
 If  $V_{c0} = V_{cb}$   
with beam 
$$\begin{cases} \frac{dV_{c0}}{dt} + (\omega_{0.5} - j\Delta\omega)V_{cb} = 2\omega_{0.5}\frac{\beta}{1+\beta}V_{fb} + \omega_{0.5}V_b \end{cases}$$

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### **Beam-loading Compensation**



- Iterative Learning Ctrl (ILC) algorithm usually helps
  - Step1: Calibrate the error between the reference signal (r) and cavity pick-up signal (y) •

 $e_i(k)=r_i(k)-y_i(k)$ 

Update the current feedforward (FF) output  $(u_{j+1})$  using the previous FF  $(u_j)$  and error  $(e_j)$ A matrix or a zero-phase filter Step2:

 $u_{i+1}(k) = \mathbf{Q}_{ILC}[u_i + \mathbf{L}(e_i)]$  A matrix or a plant-inversion-model or PID



1. Beam-loading must be well compensated  $(V_{c0} = V_{cb})$  $\rightarrow$  FF required

**2.** *V*<sub>f</sub> signal must be well calibrated

 $\rightarrow$  Cross component in the meas. channels



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### **Beam-loading Compensation**



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### Signal Calibration



- The accuracy of RF signals measurement is primarily affected by the following factors:
  - Crosstalk between the measurement channels (e.g., directional coupler) ٠
  - Impedance mismatch of RF source (which can be mitigated by a well-designed circulator)



$$\begin{cases} V_{f}^{*} = c_{1}V_{f} + c_{2}V_{r} \\ V_{r}^{*} = c_{3}V_{f} + c_{4}V_{r} \end{cases} \qquad \begin{cases} V_{f} = aV_{f}^{*} + bV_{r}^{*} \\ V_{r} = cV_{f}^{*} + dV_{r}^{*} \end{cases}$$

1. Beam-loading must be well compensated  $\rightarrow$  FF required

**2.**  $V_{\rm f}$  signal must be well calibrated

 $\rightarrow$  Cross component in the meas. channels

The key issue is configuring the four COMPLEX calibration coefficients **a b c d** e.q., **a** = |**a**|⋅e <sup>j∠a</sup>



### **Signal Calibration**



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• The optimal calibration factors can be determined by minimizing the error between cavity model output y(a, t) and actual measurement  $|V_c|$ ?





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#### **Steady-State Method**



- The Steady-State (SS) method performs effectively with FB+ILC (which is the CL case)
- Results are not affected by cavity detuning





### **Results (SS Method)**



- The identified beam phase and current in the SS (Steady-State) method are consistent with the BPM (Beam Position Monitor) and BCM (Beam Current Monitor) measurements
- Calibration results are not impacted by the cavity detuning





#### Impact of Signal Calibration (@IMP)



**Proposed Method** 

0.5

Norm. real part [arb. units]

#### Accurate calibration of the V<sub>f</sub> signal is the key issue





-0.5

-0.5

0

1.5





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 Principle: Calibrating beam information based on the cavity differential equation with (Eq. ①) and without (Eq. ②) beam presence.

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$$\begin{cases} V_{c0}'(t) + (\omega_{0.5} - j\Delta\omega)V_{c0}(t) = \omega_{0.5}\frac{2\beta}{1+\beta}V_{f0}(t), \\ V_{c1}'(t) + (\omega_{0.5} - j\Delta\omega)V_{c1}(t) = \omega_{0.5}\frac{2\beta}{1+\beta}V_{f1}(t) + \omega_{0.5}V_{b}(t), \end{cases}$$

 $\begin{cases} V_{cb}(t) = V_{c1}(t) - V_{c0}(t) & V_{cb}: \text{ Variation of } V_{c} \text{ with and w/o beam} \\ V_{fb}(t) = V_{f1}(t) - V_{f0}(t) & V_{fb}: \text{ Variation of } V_{f} \text{ with and w/o beam} \end{cases}$ 

$$(2) - (1) \text{ yield}$$

$$V_{b}(t) = \frac{1}{\omega_{0.5}} V_{cb}'(t) + \left(1 - j \frac{\Delta \omega}{\omega_{0.5}}\right) V_{cb}(t) - \frac{2\beta}{1 + \beta} V_{fb}(t)$$

 $\begin{aligned} |I_{b}| &= \frac{G|V_{b}|}{(r/Q)Q_{L}} \\ \gamma_{b} &= -180^{\circ} - \angle V_{b} \end{aligned}$  We finally obtain the beam information





### **Differential Eq.-based Method**

LEBT

RFQ

Bun1



BPM6

Bun3

Bun<sub>2</sub>

 The calibrated beam current and beam phase on Bun2 are consistent with the BPM3 and BCM2 result.
 Source BCM1 BCM2 BPM1 BPM2 BPM3





### **Differential Eq.-based Method**



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### **Differential Eq.-based Method**



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The calibrated beam current and beam phase is consistent with the BPM and BCM result.

Method	Operation Mode	Detuning Requirement	Beam Width Requirement
Trans. Beam Loading Method	Basically OL	On-resonance state needed	Basically, Short Pulse (e.g. 5 µs)
Steady-State V <sub>f</sub> Method	Basically CL (FB+ILC)	None	Basically, Long Pulse (e.g. 50 µs )
Diff. Eqbased Method	OL or CL (FB)	None	None







 Testing results from the ESS room-temperature cavity indicate that using RF online measurements for beam current information is feasible

Summary

- The transient beam-loading method requires the cavity to operate on resonance and in open-loop mode
- A high-accuracy signal calibration method is crucial for the steady-state measurement approach.
- By using the cavity's differential equations, the waveform of the entire beam pulse can be obtained, but it is prone to nonlinear effects at high current intensities.





## Thanks for your attention





# **Back-up Slides**