

DESIGN PROGRESS AND CONSTRUCTION STATUS OF SuperKEKB

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Abstract

The upgrade of KEKB to SuperKEKB is going on. The construction started in FY2010, and the beam commissioning is scheduled in FY2014. This paper describes recent design progress and construction status of the SuperKEKB main rings and the positron damping ring.

INTRODUCTION

Operation of KEKB finished in June 2010, and the upgrade to SuperKEKB[1] is now going on in full swing. The design luminosity of SuperKEKB is $8 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$, which is 40 times higher than that achieved at KEKB. The design strategy for SuperKEKB is based on the Nano-Beam Scheme, originally proposed by P. Raimondi for SuperB[2]. In the Nano-Beam Scheme, the vertical beta functions at the interaction point (IP) are squeezed to be $\beta_y^* \sim 300 \mu\text{m}$ (1/20 those of KEKB) with a large Piwinski angle ($\phi_{\text{Piw}} \equiv \theta_x \sigma_z / \sigma_x^* \geq 20$). Not only β_y^* but also β_x^* , emittances and x - y couplings are to be decreased drastically. In addition, the stored beam currents in the LER and the HER are doubled those in KEKB. Machine parameters are summarized in Table 1. This paper describes status of the SuperKEKB main rings and the positron Damping Ring (DR). The status of the injector linac will be presented elsewhere[3].

DESIGN PROGRESS

To achieve the extremely small β_y^* , a new final focus system (Fig.1) consisting of 8 superconducting quadrupoles and compensation solenoids is built[4], and the interaction region (IR) which includes local chromaticity correction sections on each side of the IP is fully reconstructed.

The dynamic aperture is very sensitive to nonlinear magnetic fields of the final focus section, then precise modeling of IR beam optics is indispensable[5]. As well as the nonlinear fields associated with the final quadrupoles, skew multipole fields along the beam line in the nonuniform solenoid fields are also taken into account, since a large horizontal crossing angle with respect to the solenoid axis is adopted in the Nano-Beam Scheme. Normal and skew higher multipoles up to K21 and SK21 ($K_n = \int \frac{1}{B\rho} \frac{\partial^{(n)} B}{\partial x^{(n)}} ds$) are included in the lattice model. Optimization of the higher multipoles and the compensation solenoid fields are in progress by checking their impact on the dynamic aperture (Fig.2). So far, the Touschek lifetime is estimated to be 480 (580) sec in the LER (HER). Further improvements are expected by adjusting sextupoles (54 families/ring), skew sextupoles (12), and octupoles (4).

Table 1: Main machine parameters of SuperKEKB. The values in parentheses denote parameters without intra-beam scattering.

| | LER (e+) | HER (e-) | units |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| Beam energy | 4 | 7.007 | GeV |
| Circumference | 3016.315 | | m |
| Half crossing angle θ_x | 41.5 | | mrad |
| Piwinski angle | 24.6 | 19.3 | rad |
| Horizontal emittance | 3.2 (1.9) | 4.6 (4.4) | nm |
| Vertical emittance | 8.64 | 11.5 | pm |
| Coupling | 0.27 | 0.28 | % |
| Beta function at IP (x/y) | 32 / 0.27 | 25 / 0.30 | mm |
| Vertical beam size at IP | 48 | 62 | nm |
| Energy spread | 8.14 | 6.49 | 10^{-4} |
| Beam current | 3.60 | 2.60 | A |
| Number of bunches | 2500 | | |
| Energy loss/turn | 1.87 | 2.45 | MeV |
| RF frequency | 508.9 | | MHz |
| RF voltage | 9.4 | 15.0 | MV |
| Bunch length | 6.0 | 5.0 | mm |
| Beam-beam param. (x) | 0.0028 | 0.0012 | |
| Beam-beam param. (y) | 0.088 | 0.081 | |
| Total beam lifetime | 324 | 357 | sec |
| Luminosity | 8×10^{35} | | $\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ |
| Integrated luminosity | 50 | | ab^{-1} |

Overall optimization of the final focus system is going on in various viewpoints: magnets, vacuum chambers, assembly of components, support, beam background, collimation, collision feedback, and so on[6].

Estimation of error tolerances and development of optics correction are being in progress[7]. Requirements for beam diagnostics and control system (a number of single-pass beam position monitors, accuracy, speed, etc.) are being decided step by step. Various knobs for optics correction and luminosity tuning are to be newly equipped or revitalized: correction windings of quadrupoles connected to common power supplies (a tuning range of 0.5%), skew quadrupole windings and movers of sextupoles to correct their vertical offsets, sextupole rotators and skew sextupoles to correct chromatic couplings, and so on. Realistic methods to maintain good conditions for optics and collision are being intensively investigated.

CONSTRUCTION STATUS

An overview of the SuperKEKB construction schedule is shown in Fig.3. The construction started in FY2010, and the beam commissioning is planned to start in the sec-



Figure 4: (1) upper left; experimental decks for vacuum works at the KEKB Oho laboratory, (2) upper right; the magnetic measurement bench for new dipole magnets for the LER, (3) lower left; the QC1P R&D magnet, and (4) lower right; six ARES cavities relocated from the HER to the LER beam line in the D5 straight section.

surement result is acceptable. Another major upgrade is to reduce wiggle pitch of the existing LER wiggler sections by half by interleaving two new types of short dipole magnets between the existing wiggler magnets. These new dipole magnets as well as some quadrupole magnets and steering magnets have been fabricated, and delivered to KEK. Fabrication of power supplies for the bending, wiggler, and other magnets is also ongoing.

The optics and hardware design for the IR has not been completed, as mentioned in the previous section. Meanwhile, a test superconducting quadrupole magnet for the QC1P with a small diameter has been fabricated (Fig.4(3)). It was tested at 4K in the vertical cryostat, and the magnetic field successfully reached up to 74.56 T/m. The design of the beam pipes in the IR has progressed well. Its basic shape, material, and fabrication technology are nearly finalized.

To cope with the higher beam current and larger beam power, the RF system needs be strengthened: each ARES cavity will be powered by one klystron. (In KEKB, two ARES cavities were powered by one klystron.) To change to the new scheme, klystrons, power supplies for the klystrons, high-power and low-level RF system will be added, while the ARES cavities will be modified and relocated. In FY2011, six ARES cavities in the Oho D5 straight section, which were used for the HER in KEKB, were relocated to the LER beam line (Fig.4(4)), and two ARES cavities were added in the Oho D4 straight section for the HER. The input couplers for the ARES cavities will be replaced with improved ones to increase the input-coupling factor from 3 to 6. Development of new low-level RF control system is in progress: a prototype system has been completed, and a test with an ARES cavity is going on[9].

Cooling system needs to be reinforced for the vacuum system to cope with three times higher beam power, and also for the magnet system for a larger number of magnets than before. Four new buildings for additional cooling system will be built. In addition, a large number of existing cooling pipes in the tunnel in the whole rings need to be replaced with larger bore ones. Possible methods to minimize the interference of the work of replacing cooling pipes with installation of magnets and beam pipes are under investigation.

Development of new detectors for the beam position monitors, X-ray beam size monitors, bunch-by-bunch feedback system, and other beam instrumentations are in progress. Mass production of button electrodes has already started.

The DR tunnel construction will be completed in February 2013, and the construction of buildings for the DR will follow. Design and fabrication of magnets and power supplies for the DR is in progress. An ante-chamber type of beam pipes will be adopted to avoid the electron cloud issues. A test chamber made of aluminum was fabricated successfully, and mass-production of the chambers will be conducted in FY2012. A new accelerating cavity for the DR has been designed, based on the accelerating cavity of the ARES cavities. A prototype one was fabricated in FY2011, and will be high-power tested in FY2012.

SUMMARY

The construction of SuperKEKB is going on in full swing, in parallel with recovery work from the earthquake. Design work still remains, in particular for very difficult parts including the IR, and is being finalized step by step to meet the construction schedule.

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