THE SUPERCONDUCTING CYCLOTRON RF SYSTEM R&D *

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Abstract

IMP is presently developing a 10MeV Superconducting Cyclotron (IMP-MK90) (see Fig. 1) for the nuclear pore membrane production and research purpose [1-5]. The cyclotron parameter see Table 1. The RF system comprises two separated resonators driven by independent amplifiers to allow for the phase and amplitude modulation technique to be applied for beam intensity modulation. The cyclotron works on 4th harmonic with Dee's voltage 70kV frequency 37MHz. According to the physical requirements of the superconducting cyclotron, the cavity is designed to be vertical 1/2 wavelength line structure. The RF system preliminary design has been completed (Fig. 2).



Figure1: The cyclotron structural model.



Figure 2: The RF cavity structural model.

THE CYCLOTRON AND RF SYSTEM DESIGN

On the basis of the physical design requirements, the relevant physical parameters shown in Table1.

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| Table 1: RF System Specifications | | |
|---|---|--|
| Type of cyclotron | | |
| Heavy Ion | 40 Ar ¹²⁺ , 86 Kr ²⁶⁺ | |
| Axial injection with ECR ion source | | |
| Split beam with either Septum Magnet or QWR cavity | | |
| Beam current | >3euA | |
| Beam energy | 10MeV/u | |
| RF system parameter | | |
| Resonant Frequency | 37MHz | |
| Dee Voltage | 60-80KV | |
| Dee Angle | 33° | |
| Extraction Radius | 750mm | |
| Injection Radius | 35mm | |
| Phase Stability | ≤±0.5° | |
| Amplitude Stability | $\leq 1 \times 10^{-4}$ | |
| Frequency Stability | $\leq 1 \times 10^{-6}$ | |
| ■ Magnet | | |
| Magnet Coil | ~300kAT | |
| Maximum magnetic field | 1 2.75T | |
| Magnet Weight | ~90 tons | |
| Production Lines | | |
| Multi-purpose Line | 1 line | |
| Industrial line 3 | line with beam split | |

RF STRUCTURAL SIMULATION RESULTS WITH CST

According to the structure parameter, the threedimensional model is founded, simulated and analyzed with CST. By changing and optimizing Dee's angel, stem dimension, stem height and position etc. parametrics of structure. The simulation results show that the resonant frequency is 37.05MHz, Q value is 7259 and power loss is 18kW. The voltage along the radial gap of Dee is from 82.25 kV in the center of Dee to 85.56 kV in the radius of Dee Extraction. The voltage distribution is uniformly rising along the radial gap of DEE. As shown in Fig. 3. The results shows that the voltage characteristics along the radius basically depend on the the position and diameter of the inner stem, and the Dee's angle. The electric field and magnetic field distribution map of the cavity are shown in Fig. 4 and 5. Surface current distribution result show in Fig. 6.

THE TUNING DESIGN OF THE RF CAVITY

The fine-tuning loop has been designed to meet the dynamically tuned requirements.the coarse-tuned with capacitor. The fine-tuning parameter shows in Table 2.

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Figure 5: Magnetic field distribution.



Table 2: The Fine-Tuning Parameter

| Parameter | Value |
|---|-------|
| Tuning range (kHz) | 120 |
| Tuning resolution(Hz) | 100 |
| The rotation angle of the tuning ring (\circ) | 90 |
| Backlash Tolerance (°) | 0.1 |

THE COUPLER DESIGN OF THE RF CAVITY

The coupler has been designed to be inductor coupler. The coupler maximum testing power is 30kW. Maximum power consumption on coupler is 0.5%. Maximum reflection power on coupler is 1%.

THE SAWTOOTH WAVE BUNCHER DESIGN

The design of buncher adopts small signal harmonic synthesis and wide band amplification and matching transmission. The buncher parameter shows in Table 3. The principle is shown in Fig. 7. the RF system block diagram.

Table 3: The Sawtooth Wave Buncher Parameter

| Parameter | Value |
|----------------------|-------|
| Frequency (MHz) | 37 |
| Effective duty cycle | >60% |
| Buncher voltage(kV) | 1.6 |
| Linearity error | <1% |



Figure 7: the block diagram of RF system composition.

CONCLUSIONS

The paper introduce the RF design of the 37MHz superconducting cyclotron cavity and RF system, including RF cavity simulation, the geometry structure of DEE is optimized repeatedly for the ideal voltage distribution, the buncher designing scheme and parameter etc.

The next step is to carry out the system optimization design, including the system cooling design coupling, and tuning optimization design, and the radio frequency splitter beam design, and the system engineering transformation work.

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