Superconducting LINAC at Mumbai: an overview



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TIFR-BARC Accelerator Facility

Pelletron accelerator

- E/A \sim 3-7 MeV, $\beta \sim 0.08\text{-}0.12$
- Heavy ions reactions upto A ~ 40

Superconducting Linac booster

- $E/A \sim 5-12 \text{ MeV}, \beta \sim 0.10-0.16$
- Heavy ions reactions upto A ~ 80 (limited by pre-accelerator)

Beam intensity: 0.1-10 pnA (10⁹⁻¹¹ p/s) (limited by ion source)



Joint TIFR – BARC Project



Phase I commissioned on September 22nd, 2002 Phase II commissioned on July 9th, 2007 LINAC dedicated to users on Nov. 28th, 2007

Superbuncher cavity

Before Plating

After Lead Plating







Quarter Wave Resonators

Material Superconducting surface Frequency Cavity Length Cavity Diameter Optimum velocity Design goal OFHC Cu 2 μm thick. Pb 150 MHz 64 cm 20 cm β=0.1 2.5 to 3 MV/m @ 6 to 9 Watts





Module Cryostat



Top view of the module



He vessel and QWR5





Cryostat modules housing the resonators with liquid He distribution box

Cryogenics system for the Linac

Helium RefrigeratorLinde TCF-50SAl Plate Fin Heat Exchangers------------------Two stage Turbine ExpansionEnginesTwo stage JT Expansion------------------250 KW Screw Compressor62 g/s

Refrigeration at 4.5 K/LiquificationWithout LN2300 W, 50 l/hrWith LN2pre-cooling380 W, 120 l/hr

The entire cryogenic distribution was fabricated and assembled on-site and has performed as per design.



RF ELECTRONICS FOR SUPERCONDUCTING RESONATORS

- **RESONATOR CONTROLLER AND CAMAC SYSTEM:**
 - IN HOUSE DEVELOPMENT USES EITHER INDIGENOUS OR EASILY AVAILABLE RF MODULES.
 - ✤ HIGH PERFORMANCE AND LOW COST.
 - ALSO USED AT IUAC & ANU (CANBERRA).
- > **RF POWER AMPLIFIER:**
 - COLLABORATIVE EFFORT OF BEL, BARC-TIFR and NSC









- RF controller cards based on self excited loop based on phase and amplitude feedback.
- 150 Watts, 150 MHz RF power amplifiers.
- CAMAC based control system.
- Control software on LINUX with Java (master + local stations).

LINAC Control & information System

> USES LINUX OPERATING SYSTEM

Open source, freely available quite popular among physics community, stable and most secure.

> WEB BASED DISTRIBUTED CONTROL SYSTEM

- Can access from intranet using a browser for monitor/control.
- ***** Uses JAVA as programming language.



Micro-sphere Plate detector for timing





The first beam was accelerated through the phase I of LINAC Booster on 22nd Sept. 2002.

Ni Beam acceleration Jan 2004.

Longitudinal phase space after mid-bend



Beam Diagnostic tests: Feb-March '03. The first beam cycle: April-May '03.

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Development of Beamline components & Diagnostic elements







LINAC & Experimental Beam Halls



Hall 1

- Condensed Matter Physics (7 T Magnet)& Atomic, Molecular & Cluster Physics
- ≻General purpose / Irradiation line
- ≻High energy gamma ray & neutron wall

Hall 2

- ≻General Purpose Scattering Chamber
- ≻HP Ge Spectrometer (INGA)
- ≻Charged particle ball
- ➤Magnetic separator for light RIBs



User beam Hall I





Exclusive Measurements of GDR in ²⁸Si + ¹²⁴Sn @ 188 MeV D.R. Chakrabarty et al.



- 7 element BaF_2 detector with plastic anti cosmic shield (for high energy γ rays)
- 38 element BGO multiplicity detector (for angular momentum, ε~70%)
- Annular PPAC detector (for residue gating, $\varepsilon \sim 25\%$)
- HpGe detector (for diagnostic purposes)
- beam ~1 pnA on target, 5 days

5; 13+ (July 07)





Some Milestones ...





Commisionning of phase (22nd sept. 2002)



Accelerator staff and users rejoice as the First LINAC experiment begins on 16th April 2003



Dedicated to Users on November 28th, 2007





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TIFR

- Dept of Nuclear And Atomic Physics
- Central Workshop
- Central Services
- Low Temperature Facility

BARC

- Nuclear Physics Division
- Electronics Division
- Central Workshop

Vendors

IBP • Vacuum Techniques • Aarti Engineering • Fullinger• SMP Enterprises
Accelerator Consultancy Services• Transact-India/Danfysik • BEL • Sameer
• Kamal Engineering • BOC Edwards • Pfeiffer

Critical components of LINAC booster have been designed, developed and fabricated indigenously.



The superconducting LINAC has been a major milestone in the development of accelerator technology in our country.