6.3 Important Aspects – NLC Structure Studies as Practical Examples

For more than ten years, scientists and engineers have developed various brand new types accelerator structures and RF systems for Next Linear Collider. Although they are part of the NLC research project, but the most important aspects in design theory, computation and analysis methods, fabrication technologies, test and experimental studies are applicable to any long pulse, high gradient, strong current accelerators. It is impossible to cover all the details in a short course, but as practical examples, we try to briefly introduce you the up-to-date development in the following topics by means of visual aids.

6.3.1. Electrical Design

- Specific requirements
- Introduction to basic design procedure and method
- Idea of dipole mode detuning
- How to choose primary structure RF parameters
- Weak damping for dipole mode, damped detuned structures (DDS)
- Examples of structures

6.3.2. Structure Simulation and Computation

- Introduction to computer codes for structure design
- Precision frequency domain codes for cavity dimension
- Time domain codes for special structure components
- Long range wakefield simulation

6.3.3. Mechanical Design and Fabrication Technology

- Introduction to structure fabrication procedure
- Accelerator cavity fabrication
- Dimensional tolerances, feedforward correction application
- Cell stacking. diffusion bonding and brazing
- Mechanical QC

6.3.4. Microwave Measurement and Characterization

- Introduction to microwave measurement methods
- Microwave QC for single accelerator cavity
- Microwave QC for accelerator cavity stack
- Resonant perturbation technique
- Non-resonant perturbation technique
- Accelerator tuning set-ups

6.3.5. Some Experiments

- Next Linear Collider Test Accelerator (NLCTA)
- Principle of beam loading compensation and experiment results
- Beam experimental measurement for wakefields

6.3.6. High Gradient Operation

- Field emission at high gradient
- RF breakdown
- RF processing of structures
- Problems in high gradient operation
- Structure damage, observation and analysis
- Program to improve high gradient performance



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Design Procedure and Method

- Choose Basic Parameters: length, filling time, attenuation factor based on the RF source and system ($\tau \sim 0.5$, Tf ~ 100 ns for optimized efficiency)
- Choose Iris Size and Dipole Detuning Range based on beam emittance and wakefield suppression requirements (a ~ 0.18λ, 10% fl detuning)
- Optimize Cavity Shape for best shunt impedance, r/Q, low E,
- Calculate Wakefields from equivalent circuit and spectral function analysis using optimized HOM coupling slots and manifold size
- Create Cell Dimension Table using high accuracy 3D modeling for typical cells, then to extrapolate.
- Design and Simulate Special Potions of the Structure like input coupler, output coupler, HOM couplers
- Fabricate, Mechanical QC and Microwave QC typical cells and special coupler parts for final corrections of essential geometries
- Perform Mechanical Design to ensure electrical properties and manufacturability

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· High Power Processing

Item	Design	Typical	Worst
Flatness	0.5 μm	<0.5	0.6
Thickness	±1 μm	$\leq \pm 1$	1.5
Parallelism	17 μrad	<10 µrad	25 μrad
OD	$\pm 1 \ \mu m$	<±1	1.5
2D Contour	$\pm 1 \ \mu m$	$<\pm1$	
2a	$\pm 2 \ \mu m$	$<\pm 0.7$	0.7
2b	$\pm 2 \ \mu m$	$\leq \pm 1$	1.3
Gap	$\pm 1~\mu { m m}$	$<\pm 0.5$	0.5
Concentricity	$\pm 0.5 \ \mu m$	$<\pm 0.5$	2.0
Slit Width	±15 μm	$\leq \pm 5$	10
Slit Depth	$\pm 30 \ \mu m$	$\leq \pm 10$	15
Rotational Angle	±0.05°	<0.05°	0.06°
Bookshelf	50 µrad	<100 µrad	_
Misalignment	±3 μm	±1	







Mechanical Measurements

Measurement Method

- 1. CMM Machine
- 2. Zygo Machine
- 3. Capacitive Sensors System
- 4. Autocollimator
- 5. Optical Microscope
- 6. SEM
- 7. Boroscope
- 8. Advant

Purpose

Profile Confirmation Design Stage Fabrication Stage Straightness Bookshelving Flatness Stacking Alignment & Straightness Stacking Angles & Bookshelving Surface Studies Surface Studies Surface Studies Non-contact Profile Measurement

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Next Linear Collider Test Accelerator (NLCTA) · Construction Started in 1993 Using First NLCTA Linac RF Unit (One of Two) Generation RF Component Designs. Arbitrary Function Generator · Goals: RF System Integration Test of a Section of 11.424 GHz RF Reference NLC Linac and the Efficient, Stable and Uniform Acceleration of a NLC-like Bunch Train. RF Amplitude Control 2 kW TWT · In 1997, Demonstrated 15% Beam Loading Compensation of a 120 ns Bunch Train to < 0.3%. Relative Phase Control Klystrons (50 MW, 1.5 µs Pulses) Ŵ SLED II Pulse Compression ×4 Л 3 dB Hybrid 40 m Resonant Delay Lines Beam Accelerator Structures

















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Low Group Velocity Traveling Wave Structures

• Best performance thus far with 3% c initial group velocity structures.

• One was processed to 86 MV/ m, after which breakdown rate at 70 MV/ m was about 1 in 200,000 pulses, dominated by input/ output coupler events. Rate at 65 MV/ m was about 10 times smaller, which would be acceptable for the NLC.

Damage level small during processing (1/ 2° phase shift) – tolerable for NLC even if increased at same rate after processing, which has not been observed.
Tests of 3% c and 5% c initial group velocity structures with improved couplers, NLC- acceptable iris radii and wakefield detuning are scheduled this year – versions with wakefield damping will be ready in early 2003.

T53VG3: 53 cm long, 60 cells



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Standing Wave Structures (15 Cells, 20 cm Long, 124 ns Field Rise Time)

• In NLC, standing- wave structures would operate at the loaded gradient of 55 MV/ m.

• In recent tests, breakdown rates of < 1 per 8 million pulses were measured at this gradient and the structures showed no discernable damage ($\Delta f/f < 10$ -5) after processing, making this design a candidate for the NLC.

• Next round of structures will have lower surface fields and wakefield detuning – incorporating wakefield damping will take 1- 2 years.



