## **Electromagnetic characterization of coatings for accelerators**

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## **Coatings and resistive wall impedance**

Coatings required (as examples) for reducing surface degassing or for secondary electron yield mitigation...but layers of coating materials significantly increase the **resistive wall impedance** 

- Low conductivity, thin layer coatings (NEG, a-C)
- Rough surfaces (LESS)

Surface impedance of the beam pipe depends on electromagnetic properties of *coatings*.

Electromagnetic characterization of "coating materials" is fundamental to evaluate accelerator performance limitations and build up a machine impedance model.



## **Two different methods**

Electromagnetic characterization of Coating materials

## Dielectric resonator

high sensitivity





- Sub-THz waveguide
- small skin-depth



- LESS(Laser engineered surface structures)
- conductivity compared with copper
- small samples (10x10mm)



homogeneous coating

**NEG**(Non-Evaporable Getter)

a-C (Amorphous carbon)coating thickness issues





## Sub-THz waveguide attenuation: the proposed method

Evaluation of the **signal attenuation** inside a DUT with coating deposited.



**Electromagnetic characterization** of coating materials.



Sub-THz transmission methodology

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# The DUT

Dimension in mm	
Material	Iron
Waveguide	Circular
Length	42
Radius	0.9
Horns	Pyramidal
Length	39
External side	6
Total Length	120







Methodology advantages: 1)Homogeneous deposition, 2)System reusability, 3)Large area coating

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## **Analytical evaluations**

In-house retrieval method

Waveguide of length  $I_g$  (TE<sub>1,1</sub> mode) + pyramidal transitions of length  $I_t$  (TE<sub>1,0</sub> TE<sub>0,1</sub> modes)



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## **Measurement results on NEG**

#### System specifications:

- Spectral Range: > 5 THz
- Dynamic Range > 90 dB
- Scanning Range ~ 850 ps
- Spectral Resolution < 1.5 GHz



#### NEG thickness 3.96 micron

Accurate guiding system manufacturing



- The methodology allows us to directly evaluate the Re(Z<sub>s</sub>) that we can use in beam dynamics calculations
- From surface impedance Z<sub>s</sub> to resistive wall impedance Z<sub>wall</sub>

## Sub-THz Waveguide Spectroscopy of Coating Materials for Particle Accelerators

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## **Measurement results on a-C**



 $3 \ \mu m$  of Amorphous carbon on copper bulk

Mechanical stress a-C coating on Cu slab







# Dielectric resonant cavity



# **Resonant structure methodology**

Dielectric resonator: Resonant structure methodology improves the sensitivity for the electromagnetic characterization of very thin laser surface treated structures and conductivity close to copper one



# **Resonant structure methodology-simulations**

25 Δh 20 sapphire • R=2.6mm Qref-Qcoat/Qref (%) D 51 radius • R=3.5 mm 5 0 0 1 2 3 4 5  $\Delta h (mm)$ 

Copper vs. molybdenum coated DUT

The maximum Q-factor percentage difference is obtained with a minimum distance between the DUT and the sapphire



## **Resonant structure methodology- simulations**



The sapphire with larger radius (3.5 mm) will be used, because of its higher sensitivity in EM characterization of coating materials (LESS)

# Conclusion

### Electromagnetic characterization of coating materials

- Sub-THz waveguide attenuation
  - Reliable analytical model for the conductivity retrieval. Good agreement with CST solver.
  - Successful measurement campaign: reliable and handy method to evaluate the electromagnetic properties of samples under test.
  - Published results on NEG and novels on a-C coatings.
- Resonant structure methodology
  - Improves the sensitivity, useful for electromagnetic characterization of very thin laser surface treated structures (i.e. LESS)

