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Accelerator Physics Developments for Rare Isotope Facilities

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- Overview particle accelerators for RIB production
 - Challenges of RIB production
 - Particle accelerators for ISOL and fragmentation facilities

Outline

- Some accelerator developments
 - Ion source charge state booster
 - Vacuum effects
 - Accelerator cavities superconducting
 - Beam instrumentation and beam dynamics





Overview particle accelerators for RIB production

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Production of rare isotopes



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Driver accelerators



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Driver accelerator challenges



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Post or re-accelerator

separator

Post acceleration of ISOL beams, beam stopping and re-acceleration of beams from fragmentation

- Stripping or charge state breeding
- Linear accelerators or cyclotrons accelerator Ion source Isotope/Isobar Thin production separator target Driver as cell stopper accelerator quide Thick, hot production target Post accelerator Radioactive ion beam **Re-accelerator** Radioactive ion beam Experiment Experiment

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Post or re-accelerator challenges

Efficiency in each step, beam energy variation and stopped beams

- Beam stopping (in case of PF)
- Charge state breeding •
- Low intensity beam diagnostics (Single particle sensitivity)



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Example ISOL: TRIUMF facilities

Primary beam driver: Cyclotron, 500 MeV, H⁻ ISOL facility with highest power driver beam

Isotope Separator and Accelerator facility - ISAC

ISAC-I: Normal conducting-linac, 0,15-1,5 MeV/u ISAC-II: Superconducting-linac, 5-11 MeV/u

Advanced rare isotope laboratory - ARIEL:

Superconducting electron linac 50 MeV, 10 mA, cw

Example PF: Facility for Antiproton and Ion research - FAIR



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Some accelerator developments

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Ion sources

- Ion sources that deliver high current (mA to A), but low charge states
 → high current sources
 (Penning source, plasmatron sources, MEVVA, volume sources)
- Ion sources that deliver high charges states (up to U⁹²⁺), but low intensities
 → high charge state sources (Electron Cyclotron Resonance Ion Source - ECRIS, Electron Beam Ion Source - EBIS



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Discharge power: 50 kW (13,3 MW/cm²) Discharge current: ~1 kA Duty Cycle: 1 Hz, 1 ms



New cathode materials required (alloys) → avoid to melt cathodes

Metal Vapor Vacuum Arc (MeVVA)



Charge state breeding



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Electron Beam Ion Source (EBIS)



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Injection of 1+ ions into EBIS/T



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Dynamic Vacuum effect and collimation



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Cryogenic Surface Pumping



- Long term density stays low enough for stable operation
- Equilibrium density is very sensitive to temperature rises

Surface coverage and temperature has been linked to residual gas density



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Accelerator cavities



SRF cavity examples

- Quarter wave and half wave resonators (QWR/HWR)
- Coaxial resonators used at ISAC and REX-ISOLDE





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Superconducting Linacs

Success came in the 70s and 80s using niobium:

- first heavy ions (few cavities ATLAS at ANL, now ISAC-II)
- then electrons (many cavities same size Cornell, CEBAF, LEP)
- now protons (many cavities 1-GeV at SNS)

Furthermore, much higher fields can be produced – up to 30-50 MV/m.

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Example: ISAC II SRF linac

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New Beam Profile Monitor in ESR

- Bunch shape monitor uses secondary electrons produced by the ion beam
- Simulation confirm the measurements and reveal the time resolution of 5 ps
- Bunch shape can be used to determine the long. emittance

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Emittance transfer experiment (EMTEX)

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EMTEX-beam line and first results

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Summary

- RIB facilities
 - Challenges of RIB production -ISOL and fragmentation
 - High intensity primary beam driver
 - High efficiency post accelerator

Research in

- ion sources charge state booster
- vacuum effects \rightarrow dynamic
- accelerator cavities superconducting
- beam instrumentation
 - \rightarrow non destructive
- sophisticated beam dynamics

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Targets and separators

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Target and separator challenges

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Existing GSI accelerator facility

What is a "particle accelerator"?

An accelerator is a device that uses electromagnetic forces to accelerate and guide charged particles.

THE ESSENTIALS;

- Particle source (electrons, protons, ions)
- Vacuum
- Electric field for acceleration
- Magnetic and/or electric fields for focusing and steering
- Controls

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- Production of charged particles (Electrons, lons) → Production of a plasma via discharge
- Ionisation of atoms → Electron impact ionisation

Principle of plasma ion sources

Plasma extraction = Beam shaping and transport

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RF-accelerator principle

Multiple use of the same alternating voltage

 \rightarrow Wideroe principle!

1928 proof of the rf- acceleration principle by Rolf Wideroe in Berlin

Frequency: 1 MHz

Electric Field = 25000 V

Phase focusing

The electric fields in an RF-accelerator are time dependent. The field strength depends on the time a particle enters the acceleration gap.

 $eU(t) = eU_{\max}\sin\Psi_0$

is the energy gain in the gap if the particle arrives in gap center at Ψ_0

Synchronous phase in front of the crest (negative synchronous phase) → longitudinal focusing

Synchronous (perfect) particle \rightarrow perfect synchronism in the linac

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Beam phase space ellipse

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