

Electroplating at CERN, UNILAC Upgrade

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COLLABORATION AGREEMENT K 1727/DG (THE “AGREEMENT”)

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That the Parties wish to collaborate in the field of copper plating technology of components for rf-linacs on the basis that CERN has unique expertise in providing such activities;

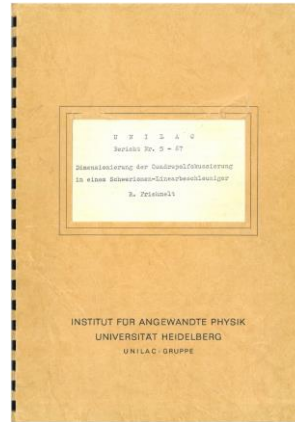
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Existing UNILAC post-stripper DTL

- design from the 1960ies: high intensity operation of heavy ions not considered
- anticipated life time: 1990 – 2000
- first three cavities in operation since 51 years, aging goes on
- cavities, drift tubes, and magnets partially damaged
→ increased maintenance efforts & operational risks



und für gerade $N = 2k$:

$$\overline{M}_{A,2k} = \left(\frac{3}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta} \right)^k \left(\frac{3}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta} \right)^k \quad (46)$$

Die Transformationsmatrix N für die ganze Strukturseinheit läßt sich nach Gleichung (42) berechnen. Die explizite Angabe der Matrix N_k in Abhängigkeit von den Parametern Δ , Q und Θ für beliebige N erscheint selbst mit Hilfe der von Tipes angegebenen Formeln [72] für die 3-te Potenz einer Matrix kaum möglich. Deshalb soll hier die exakte Strukturmatrix nur für die Quodrupolanordnung $N = 1$ angegeben werden.

$$\overline{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \psi(12^2 - q) - f(12^2 - q) + \frac{1}{2}(f(4 - q) + \frac{1}{2}(q^2 - 4^2)z) & \frac{1}{2} \left[\psi(f(4 - q) + (2f^2 - q^2) - f(2 - q) - f(2 - q)) + \frac{1}{2}(f(4 - q) + \frac{1}{2}(q^2 - 4^2)z) \right] \\ \frac{1}{2} \left[\psi(f(4 - q) + (2f^2 - q^2) - f(2 - q) - f(2 - q)) + \frac{1}{2}(f(4 - q) + \frac{1}{2}(q^2 - 4^2)z) \right] & \frac{1}{2} \left[\psi(f(4 - q) + (2f^2 - q^2) - f(2 - q) - f(2 - q)) + \frac{1}{2}(f(4 - q) + \frac{1}{2}(q^2 - 4^2)z) \right] \end{pmatrix} \quad (47)$$

Die Abkürzungen bedeuten:

$$\psi = \cosh(Q\Theta), \quad \varphi = \sinh(Q\Theta)$$

$$c = \cos(Q\Theta), \quad e = \sin(Q\Theta)$$

$$f = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta}, \quad g = \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta}, \quad h = (f^2 - 1) \frac{\partial}{\partial \Delta}$$

Die Gleichung

$$a_{11} = \cos \mu_e = F_e(\Delta, Q, \Theta)$$

die sich durch Vergleich von (47) mit (54) ergibt, läßt sich nicht nach Θ auflösen. Man kann jedoch für die Kreis- und Hyperbolfunktionen die Taylorentwicklungen einsetzen und erhält für a_{11} eine Potenzreihe in Θ^2 mit von N , Δ und Q abhängigen Koeffizienten. Im allgemeinen gilt $|a_{11}| < 1$. Durch Vergleich mit numerisch ermittelten Resultaten ergibt sich, daß man für $Q\Theta^2 \leq 1$ nur die ersten beiden Glieder der Potenzreihe in Θ^2 und nur die erste Potenz in Δ zu berücksichtigen braucht. Man erhält für $N = 1$:

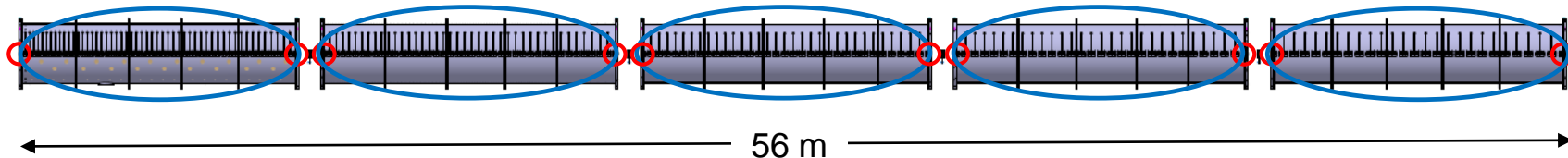
$$\cos \mu_e = 1 - 2\Delta + Q^2 \Theta^2 \left(\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \Delta \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{Q}{12} + \frac{Q^2}{60} \right) \right) + o(\Delta^2, \Theta^4) \quad (48)$$

UNILAC post-stripper DTL

New design

- shall deal with very intense beams of uranium
- drift tube linac from five Alvarez-type cavities
- pulsed e.m. quadrupole magnets to meet specific ion's A/q
- each drift tube being equipped with one internal quadrupole
- 10 half-size drift tubes and 177 full-size drift tubes including two stems each

1.95 m



GSI electroplating workshop (est. 1960ies): Retrofitting 2019 - 2023

- meet enhanced requirements from authorities
- replace basins
- renew of technical equipment
- external storage of hazard. materials containers
- hire one more technician and galvanizer, resp.
- total invest of 3.4 M€



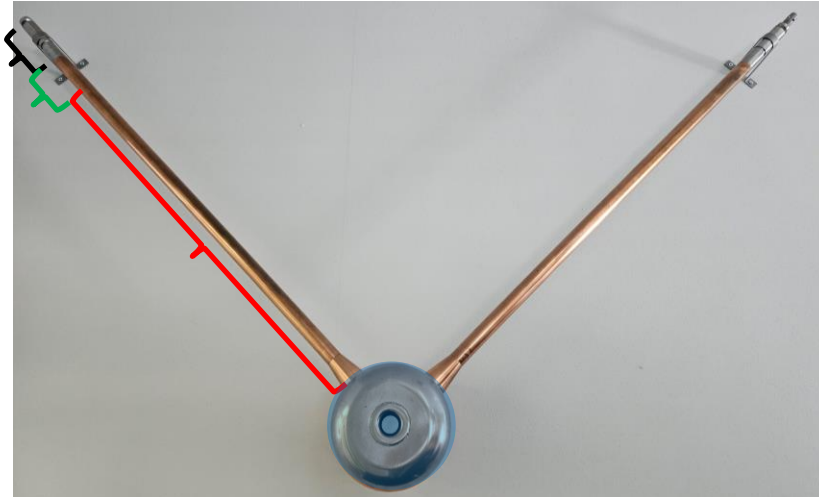
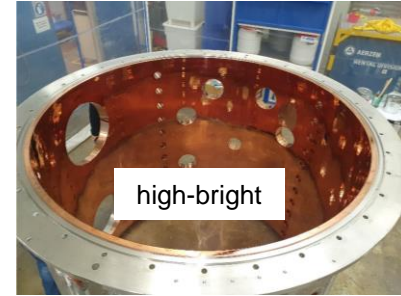
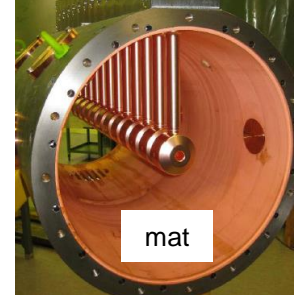
Electroplating with high-bright copper

- all surfaces exposed to RF-fields must be Cu-plated with about 150 μm
- GSI has the expertise to do this plating in-house
- however, GSI's plating shop is fully loaded with the 25 cavity mantles and 10 end-plates



Requirements to plating

- high-bright plating with dedicated chemistry recipe
- copper of purity larger than 96% IACS
- plated surface ready for operation at $\leq 10^{-8}$ mbar
- defined thickness profile (thickness d in μm):
 - $d = 0$
 - $50 \leq d \leq 120$
 - $50 \leq d \leq 300$
 - $100 \leq d \leq 140$
- 177 pieces
- each with individual length of drift tube



- dedicated and rigorous market survey revealed that:
 - there are some few commercial shops that can deal with add-on parts as flanges, bellows, plungers, etc.
 - but there is no shop that can deal with 177 drift tubes

- a collaboration with CERN has been forged with mutual benefits:
 - GSI: plating of the drift tubes
 - GSI: a fully working plating line (GSI may take it over afterwards) →
 - CERN: expertise in high-bright copper plating
 - both: merge expertise
 - both: increase independence from very restricted commercial market

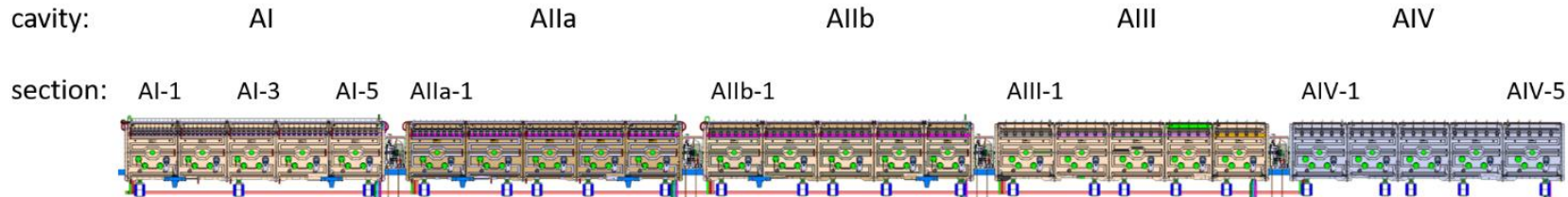
- collaboration is on the high-bright Cu-plating of 177 drift tubes (DT)



Workpackages and schedule as agreed and signed (Dec. 2023)

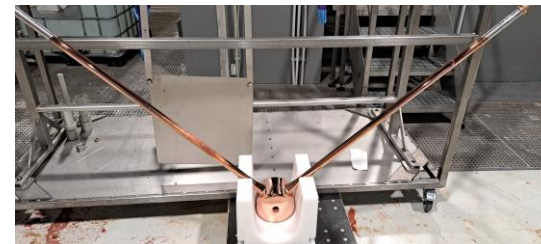
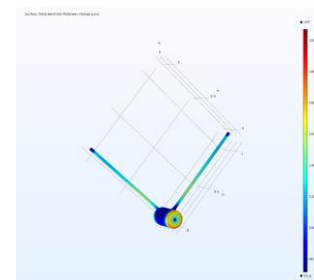
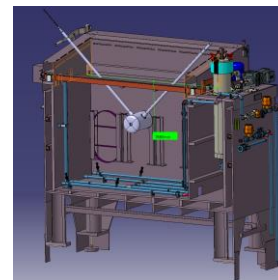
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1	Design of plating line & tools			01/23 - 05/23	25000
2	Purchasing plating line & tools			01/23 - 09/24	331875
3.0	Recruitment of CERN staff			09/23 - 06/24	81000
3.1	Plating DTs	AI	52	01/25 - 08/25	104720
3.2	Plating DTs	Alla + Allb	72	04/26 - 02/27	277632
3.3	Plating DTs	Alll + AIV	53	04/27 - 09/27	218752
			177		1038979

} optional in view of progress



Successful commissioning of plating line at CERN

- 2022 - 23: design works, simulation of plating process
- Oct. 2024: FAT of plating line @ GALVO Service / Italy
- Dec. 2024: delivery, installation and SAT
- Mar 2025: dummy drift tube plated and stripped several times to optimize process



Workpackages and schedule as currently executed and planned

WP	Scope	Cavity	# of DTs	timeline	payment [CHF]	status
1	Design of plating line & tools			01/23 - 05/23	25000	done
2	Purchasing plating line & tools			01/23 - 09/24	331875	done
3.0	Recruitment of CERN staff			09/23 - 06/24	81000	done
3.1	Plating DTs	Alla	40	05/25 - 09/26	135843	starting soon
3.2	Plating DTs	AI	52	04/26 - 02/27	176596	open
3.3	Plating DTs	Allb	32	10/26 - 02/27	108674	open
3.4	Plating DTs	Alll + AIV	53	03/27 - 09/27	179992	open
			177		1038979	

104720 CHF (billed & paid)

optional in view of progress

- unchanged:
 - overall scope and benefits
 - final termination date
 - overall payment
- adapted to progress of DT production
 - pulling Alla in advance of AI (AI production meets issues at supplier)
 - splitting WP (Alla + Allb) into two separate WPs

this is how we live it; there is no formal re-agreement yet

Defining the plating process prior to series

- last week: dummy DT provided by GSI has been used to commonly finalize the process
- two joint complete plating processes have been performed
- results meet specifications in all aspects
- few tools (increase efficiency of handling) will be re-designed and series plating starts on May 19th

collaboration is on track w.r.t.
timeline, budgets, results



Thank you for your attention!

