



#### **Recent Progress**



- •Mandrel Brazing
- Mandrel Machining
- •Phase I graphite collimator operational at SLAC
- •RF contact measurements
- Trapped mode simulations
- Considering LHC tracking simulations at SLAC
- Low frequency impedance measurements





#### **Mandrel Brazing**



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### **First Brazing Preparation**



#### •Three brazing steps.

- 1. braze Moly shaft and hub to Mandrel
- 2. braze copper coil to Mandrel
- 3. braze jaw quadrants to mandrel
- •Here are pictures showing preparation for second brazing







#### **Brazing Coil to mandrel**





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#### Mandrel brazing



#### • Ran into some problems with brazing.

- Too much braze material was apparently used and our mandrel was brazed to the furnace mount during third braze!
- Had to saw off braze flange





 Brazing error resulted in bending of end of mandrel attached to furnace table.



### The Aftermath...



# Most of mandrel OK but end had to be fixed

• Used custom made clamps to "press" mandrel back into shape.

#### Center shaft not in center of mandrel due to bend mandrel







## Machining of mandrel surface



- Mandrel concentricity looks OK now after repairs
- Surface must be machined flat for reception of Jaws quadrants
- Slight kink in mandrel had to also be bent out







#### **Jaw Quadrants**



- Surface machined and ready for reception of jaw quadrants
- Slightly different outer diameters.
- left side in picture at 232.5 mm o.d. spec. Right side will require slightly modified jaws to fit on diameter. Add material to fill gap.
- Want very good thermal contact between jaws and cooling coil around mandrel.





At spec

## Slightly under spec



#### **Design Changes**



- •Reconsidering how much braze alloy we apply
  - •We needed a lot to fill up cavities and crevices due to coil winding
  - •Coil "keystones" as it's wound creating large gaps to fill
- Considering alternative winding techniques or methods to fill gaps without using braze







- This jaw will undergo thermal tests using two 5 kW heaters placed along jaw surface (simulation steady state beam heating)
- •Sensors will then measure thermal deflection to confirm ANSYS simulations.



Images from www.capacitec.com









### **Considerations for RC1**



- •Discovered several complications in machining/assembling/brazing first full length jaw.
- •Experience will be considered before continuing on the full RC1 prototype.
  - •May change:
    - •design (a little, rather fixed at this point)
    - •fabrication
    - assembly
    - •materials
  - •Separate issue, but RF design is not finished and waiting various RF tests and simulations.



#### Phase I Graphite Collimator mounted and set up in our lab





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Stepper Controller



LVDT Controller



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#### **Motion Control**



- CERN LabView control software modified and working with our controllers.
- Verified full motion of jaws
- Here is a video of motion below: Sorry for the bad camera work (camera had a tough time focusing!)



Open



Closed





#### Vacuum pressure effects



- Realized that evacuated collimator chamber presents pressure on bellows to remain straight. This force is absent while at atmospheric pressure but works against motors.
- •Will be evacuating chamber to before making any modifications to test with all typical forces
  - Any reason evacuating chamber will cause problems? (it is a damaged unit)
  - •Our understanding is the damage will not impede motion under vacuum provided we do not use water cooling lines
- However, testing motion with heavier jaws will be problematic under vacuum
  - Investigating other ways to simulate the vacuum pressure
    - Possibly use springs on jaws applying appropriate force
    - •Or add more weight to the jaws (not quite correct when changing jaw orientation)



#### **RF Contact Measurements Setup**









Model of collimator in Omega3P with jaws fully inserted

#### **RF Trapped Modes studies**



- Studies have begun on looking into trapped modes in our collimator design
- Many cavities and crevices, hour-glass shape
- •Will RF leak out into chamber behind jaws?
- •Cause wakefields effecting beam?
- •Chamber heating?
- Studies being carried out by Cho Ng and Liling Xiao.
  - Omega3P uses the finite-element method and parallel processing. The finite-element method allows highfidelity representation of complex geometries so that accurate calculations can be obtained. Parallel processing helps tackle large-scale problems and shorten computational time.



## SixTrack simulations @ SLAC



- There is growing interest to start performing SixTrack simulations at SLAC to support several LARP projects
  - Rotatable Collimators
    - •General collimation efficiency studies
  - Crystal Collimation
    - Incorporating crystal channeling code into SixTrack (has this been done yet?)
  - Crab Cavities
    - •Simulations of the effects beta beat and dispersion effects with crabbed beams
- •SLAC is eager to begin SixTrack simulations in conjunction with CERN people
  - •Have clusters with idle time waiting for numbers to crunch.

SLAC obtained the first of Sun Microsystem's "Black Box" self-contained data centers. With the addition of a second just installed, now totaling 2056 CPU cores.







- •Obtaining LCR meter for low frequency transverse impedance measurements
  - Discovered we were using a broken network analyzer giving spurious results
  - •Expected better results with LCR meter (LCR measurement works better at low frequency than VNA)
- •Goal is to have good measurements by EPAC08.
  - measure inductive by-pass in graphite plates
  - •measure impedance of phase I graphite collimator
  - begin measuring impedance of components for our collimators







#### Schedule



Full length jaw completed	May 2008
Thermal tests on full length Jaw	EPAC08
Bench-top impedance measurements	First substantial results by EPAC08
RF contact resistance measurements	EPAC08
Test phase I collimator assembly and motion with heavier jaws. Design modifications.	Summer 08
2 full length jaws with full motion control in vacuum tank available for mechanical & vacuum tests in all orientations ("RC1")	~Winter 2008
Final prototype ("RC2") compatible with CERN Control System and deliverable to CERN	? Will depend on what modifications will be needed to RC1 (and LHC schedule).