



# Particle Accelerator R&D at TRIUMF and the University of Victoria

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### **Accelerators in Canada**



### **UVic/TRIUMF Accelerator Research**

- UVic is the lead University of the ARIEL project
- Currently 14 UVic graduate students in accelerator physics at TRIUMF
- One graduate lecture course taught by the adjunct faculty each year at TRIUMF and broadcasted nationwide
- Undergraduate lecture course, graduate + undergraduate projects offered at UVic

#### **RESEARCH FOCUS at TRIUMF**

- Beam physics and instrumentation (R. Baartman, O. Kester, T. Planche)
- Superconducting RF (R. Laxdal)
- Ion Sources and Targets for secondary particle production (A. Gottberg, O. Kester) Projects at UVic
- Cryocooler based fundamental SRF studies
- Surface and Materiel Science Studies at the Electron Microscopy Facility (A. Blackburn)
- Application of SRF technology to quantum computing (R. de Sousa)
- Beam Dynamics studies for SuperKEKB (M. Roney)



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### **SRF Accelerators at TRIUMF**

40MV ISAC-II SRF heavy ion linac @ 106MHz - operational since 2006



#### **Bare cavities**

#### Cryomodules

#### Accelerators

30MV ARIEL SRF 10mA electron linac @ 1.3GHz – first beam 2014







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### ISAC- Model based beam tuning

- Using beam physics models (usually used for design of accelerators) during beam operation
- Models rely on a code developed at TRIUMF (Rick Baartman) that describes the beam envelope throughout the entire accelerator instead of individuals particles
- Enables improved automation of various tuning processes



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### ISAC - Optimization of the Charge State Booster (CSB)

**Fundamental problem:** Beam properties provided by the particle source cannot be improved in the accelerator.

**Research Goal:** Improve beam quality, intensity and charge state of post-accelerated beams in the ISAC charge state booster

- Systematic investigation and optimization of the charge state booster extraction system
- Implement two-frequency heating of the ECRIS CSB

PhD student Joseph Adegun received the student poster price at the 2021 International Conference on ion sources (ICIS) for this work



Joseph Adegun in front of the CSB

### ISAC - Storage ring for neutron captures on radioactive nuclei

**Motivation:** Direct measurement of neutron capture cross sections of short-lived radionuclides down to seconds of half-lives.

**Requirement:** ISOL Facility + Storage Ring + Neutron "Target"

- Several proposal exist no facility world-wide
- Others have considered using a reactor (safety issues) or a spallation source (costly) as targets We consider using a commercial neutron generator as target
   Timeline: Feasibility studies towards TDR in 2025 – First experiments in 2031





Alectryon 300T from Phoenix LLC: highest output gaseous target DT neutron generator on the market

# ISAC-II - Energy Upgrade

- ISAC-II designed for 40MV but presently delivering 34 MV
- New SRF cavity processing infrastructure will permit ISAC-II performance upgrade to >=44 MV
- Afterburner cryomodule using state-of-the-art fabrication and processing would add 16 MV to result in 60 MV total
- Would restore world lead in RIB post-accelerator performance back to ISAC-II



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### **ARIEL e-linac**

Figures of merit in a linac – Energy, Beam Current, Reliability, Operability, and Beam Quality

- **Current and energy**: Reached 10 kW at 30MeV in September 2021 as required for first ARIEL science run
- **Operability**: Now relying entirely on the beam optics model to determine tunes
- Focus for 2022 is to increase **beam quality**, make linac reliable and **easily operable** 
  - Demonstrate energy stability better than 0.1% (2RMS) now at 0.3%
  - Hand over from experts to operators
- Before the ARIEL electron target is ready to take beam science focus is on
  - FLASH-MRT Reducing side effects in radiotherapy by a combination of two novel treatment techniques, the ultra-fast (FLASH) radiotherapy with spatially fractionated microbeam therapy (MRT) – First beam delivered to experiment in February 2022
  - DarkLight project Electron scattering experiment to search for particles beyond the standard model – Target chamber installed December 2021

E-LINAC	
BEAM	ON
PATH	EHD : DUMP
PEAK CUR.	498 μΑ
ENERGY	30.2 MeV
POWER	10.0 kW



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### **Motivation for fundamental SRF research**

- SRF is highly efficient but complex technology
- Supercurrents only flow within a few tens of nanometres
  - Performance is very sensitive to near surface material properties which can be engineered by heat treatments in vacuum or low pressure gas atmosphere
- Maximum quality factor and accelerating gradient depend on surface treatment but also on RF frequency, cavity shape (surface field configuration), ambient magnetic flux in a correlated and not fully understood way





- Most SRF research done on high frequency, high beta, elliptical cavities.
- Ion accelerators need low frequency, low beta coaxial cavities
- TRIUMF has dedicated coaxial cavities for fundamental SRF research
  - Multiple modes (=multiple frequencies)
- Two new baking procedures tried for the first time on coaxial cavities
  - Encouraging results but below expectation (P. Kolb et al. SRF2021)

P. Kolb et al. Phys. Rev. Accel. Beams 23, 122001



QWR: Quarter Wave Resonator HWR: Half Wave Resonator

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- Unlike for traditional procedures there is no material removal (chemistry) after baking. Very clean environments required
- Material analysis with SEM/EDX shows signs of carbon contamination (Honors thesis project D. Hedji)
- SIMS depth profile shows that carbon contamination is most pronounced in relevant near surface region
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# SRF sample studies

- Sample studies are done to optimize cavity treatments but also as predictive tools for SRF performance
  - e.g. field of first vortex penetration is indicative of maximum achievable accelerating gradient
- We use a wide variety of local and external methods including
  - SEM/EDX, TEM (UVic), SIMS (University of Waterloo)
  - muSR (TRIUMF, PSI), betaNMR (TRIUMF)
  - Neutron tomography (HZB)
  - Vibrating sample magnetometry (ISIS, UK; to be developed at UVic)









Layered superconductors increase DC field of first vortex penetration up to the superheating field *T. Junginger et al. Superconductor Science and Technology 30 (12), 125012 (2017)* 

Low temperature baking does not increase DC field of first vortex penetration but increases surface pinning D. Turner, G. Burt, T. Junginger, Sci Rep 12, 5522 (2022)

Nb3Sn cavities can be operated in a metastable state above Hc1. Current limitations are not intrinsic. S. Keckert, T. Junginger et al. Superconductor Science and Technology 32 (7), 075004 (2019)

Flux trapping depends on surface treatments and can be visualized with polarized neutron tomography. *W. Treimer, T. Junginger, O. Kugeler Applied Sciences 11 (14), 6308 (2021)* 

### $\beta$ -NMR + SRF @ TRIUMF



beta-NMR can probe magnetic fields with nanometric depth-resolution

- With β-SRF we have added facility to test samples in high parallel field (200 mT). Successfully commissioned Summer 2021 and now provides world-wide unique capability
- Method is sensitive to changes by surface treatments (E. Thoeng et al SRF2021)



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### 20 year vision - What will TRIUMF look like?

The major revolution will come from the expansion of TRIUMF outside of its physical boundaries, allowing us to play a key role in the forthcoming knowledge-based economy as the owner of Canada's accelerator-related expertise.

### **TRIUMF Cryomodule Development**

TRIUMF SRF group produces cryomodules for the in-house linacs at ISAC-II and ARIEL as well as for external projects



Five HiLumi LHC crab cavity cryomodules will be assembled in 2022-24



Cryomodule for VECC (Kolkata) successful cold test in Nov. 2021 with delivery in 2022.

# **Polarized Beams for SuperKEKB**

- Polarized electron beams provide precise measurements of electro-weak parameters in the process  $e^+e^- \rightarrow f\overline{f}$ 
  - Requires longitudinal polarization at the Intersection Point
- Space constraints in the ring require a combined function magnet for spin rotation and steering
  - U. Wienands proposed solenoid-dipole combined function magnets on both sides of the Intersection Point with 6 Skew-quadrupoles on top of each rotator magnet section to compensate for x-y coupling
- MSc thesis Yuhao Peng Detailed study in BMad of the full SuperKEKB lattice including combined function magnet spin rotator. *Graduated Dec 2021*



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### Accelerators beyond subatomic research

### Most of the approximately 30.000 accelerators worldwide are not built for subatomic physics research



National Research Council: Nuclear Physics: Exploring the Heart of Matter Washington DC (2012) Non subatomic physics accelerator physics projects with UVic student involvement

- P. Jung Cancer treatment with a dielectric wall accelerator
- A. Paul (D-Pace) Creating He<sup>-</sup> using H<sup>-</sup> ion source for ion implantation
- M. Abbaslou Development of a compact Canadian neutron source
- N. Gorgichuk SRF technology for quantum computing application

### **Dielectric Wall Accelerator Design**

A dielectric wall accelerator is a type of induction accelerator that can provide a technical solution for a compact variable energy accelerator

- Initially patented in 2001 but only recent developments in high gradient insulators and dielectrics promise technical feasibility
- Proposed by McGill Medical Physics Unit for proton therapy
- TRIUMF provided design in TRANSOPTR (R. Baartman's code) with custom subroutine.



### **Compact Accelerator-based Neutron Source for Canada**

- Compact Accelerator-based Neutron
  Sources (CANS) can provide intense neutrons with a capital cost significantly lower than a spallation source
- TRIUMF is designing a Prototype
  Canadian CANS (PC-CANS) to be located at the University of Windsor
- PC-CANS is based on a high intensity linear proton accelerator (RFQ+DTL) and multiple target stations for science and medical purposes
- **Status**: Conceptual design studies towards a proposal for funding.





#### End to end simulation of p-LINAC in Trace-3D code

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### **Creating He- using H- ion source for ion implantation**

- Current manufacturing techniques for silicon based computer chips requiring negative ions are prone to alkali metal contamination
- TRIUMF spin-off company D-Pace brought forward the idea of producing He- through bombardment of neutral He gas with H- to avoid contamination
  - If a He- ion current of 20 microampere could be achieved this approach would be commercially viable
- Current Status: Gas cell accelerator has been manufactured and is ready for installation and initial tests





Collaboration of D-Pace, UVIC, and TRIUMF, PI Morgan Dehnel (D-Pace)

# **SRF for Quantum Computing**

- Main mechanism for quantum decoherence in current quantum hardware are two level systems in amorphous oxides
- SRF cavites can increase coherence times and be used as a testbed for theoretical models
- Low field data is available in the literature but published analysis does not take into account the variation of the electric field on the cavity surface.
- We propose a new model for quantum decoherence based on the separation of oxide and interface losses



### Thank you for your attention



# TRIUMF with UVic as key partner is the center for accelerator research in Canada



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### **Backup slides**

### **UVic adjunct faculty in Accelerator Division**



# **Canadian Light Source**

- First light source to use SRF technology from the beginning of operation in 2003
- CESR-B cavity developed at Cornell University and built at Research Instrument, Germany
- Operational experience
  - SRF system is generally reliable but complex
  - Repair times for cryomodules are long → Risk of significant downtime periods





#### RF Superconductivity for Accelerators

WILEY-VCH

Second Edition



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Z. Yao et al. SRF 2017, Lanzhou TUPB064

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30

Accelerating Voltage /MV 55 55

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### **ISAC - Model based beam tuning**

E/A [MeV/u]





- 7Li from off-line ion source (OLIS) to the ISAC RFQ, simulated envelope vs measured beam size at profile monitors.
- Profile monitor data was used in a transoptr optimization to fit the initial beam conditions (O. Shelbaya).
- Comparison of model calculated tune for the ISAC-II heavy ion linac to observations.
- Successfully delivered beam to an experiment (IRIS S1834) with model-set cavity phases for the first time (S. Kiy)

### **TRIUMF** Beyond Nb - Critical Fields of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn

- Results from Cornell and FNAL show that Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn 1.3 GHz cavities are reaching up 22.5 MV/m (95 mT) to
  - Quality factors at 4.2 K can be as high as for Nb at 2 K
- Measurements from both bulk  $\mu$ SR (TRIUMF) and LE- $\mu$ SR (PSI), as well as RF measurements with a specialized sample test cavity to determine the DC and RF critical fields of Nb<sub>3</sub>Sn prepared for SRF application
  - Potential for high E<sub>acc</sub> still needs to be demonstrated 4.4 K 10<sup>11</sup> 200  $H_{a}$  (from LE  $\mu$ SR)  $H_{sh}$  (from LE  $\mu$ SR)  $H_{c1}$  (from LE  $\mu$ SR) 150 QPR  $H_{vp,RF}$  (with fit)  $\mu {\rm SR} ~{\rm H}_{\rm vp,DC}$  $\mu_0 H (mT)$ တိ 10<sup>10</sup> 100 HH Cornell Cavity LTE1-6  $\mathbf{\nabla}$ 50 Cornell Cavity ERL1-4 Fermilab CBMM-D Coating 2 Fermilab Cavity TE1ACC001 Fermilab CBMM-D Coating 3 0 10<sup>9</sup> 0.2 0.8 0.6 0.4 20 5 10 15 25 n  $1-(T/18.5 \text{ K})^2$

S Keckert, T Junginger, T Buck, D Hall, P Kolb, O Kugeler, R Laxdal, M Liepe, S Posen, T Prokscha, Z Salman, A Suter and J Knobloch, "Critical fields of Nb3Sn prepared for superconducting cavities", SUST, Volume 32 Number 7 July 2019

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# **<b>WINDER MUON Spin Rotation (μSR)**





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- Muons are deposited one at a time in a sample
- Muon decays emitting a positron preferentially aligned with the muon spin
- Right and left detectors record positron correlated with time of arrival
- The time evolution of the asymmetry in the two signals gives a measure of the local field in the sample

$$a_0 P_u(t) = \frac{N_{\rm L} - N_{\rm R}}{1 - N_{\rm R}}$$

- $\mu$ SR is a sensitive probe for the detection of the presence of local magnetic field and can thus be used to detect the transition from the Meissner to a vortex state
- $\mu$ SR has been used for SRF studies since 2010
- We have established a techniques to measure the pinning strength and the field of first flux entry using different spectrometers and sample shapes
  T. Junginger et al. PRAB 21, 032002 (2018)



**SRF 19** 

### Low energy µSR (PSI)





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**B**<sub>ext</sub>

**B(z)** 

# Low energy µSR (PSI)

**<b>∂**TRIUMF

**B**<sub>ext</sub>

λ

0



-0.6 -0.8 -1.0

1.0 0.8

0.6 0.4

0.2 0.0 -0.2 -0.4

-0.6 -0.8

-1.0

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Muon Spin Polarisation

Ζ

2 3

1

5 6

Time (µs)

Time (µs)

 $\omega_{\mu}(z) = \gamma_{\mu} B_{\rm loc}(z)$ 

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9 10

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8

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### Low energy µSR results



~ 24.7 mT (applied field)

Cavity sample treatment:

- 1400°C (annealed)
  - 1400°C (annealed) + 120°C (baked)
- 1400°C (annealed) + 75°C / 120°C (baked)

Non-exponential decay for all samples

- Superconductors
  generally have a non local current-voltage
  relation
- Clear change in screening for 120°C baking in the near surface area (confirmation of previous results)

Clear difference between 120°C and 75/120°C

- The subtle difference in treatment has a strong effect in cavity performance and screening current
- Complex ongoing analysis

Two possible effects

- **1. Reduction in surface current** prevents quench
  - Ampère's law without Maxwell's correction  $abla imes B = \mu_0 J$
- 2. Effective bilayer with penetration depth  $\lambda$  larger in outermost layer
  - Vortex at the SC/vacuum boundary
  - Magnetic field is parallel to the surface
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Repulsive force Second energy barrier Attractive force

Bean Livingston barrie

# Field of first vortex penetration

Superconducting sample in external magnetic below  $H_{c1}$  or  $H_{sh}$  will repel field by surface currents (Meissner effect)

- Sample gets magnetized
- Sample is vibrated and the magnetization is measured with a lock-in amplifier tuned to the vibration frequency
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### μSR - Field of first flux entry measurements

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- Muons implanted 130  $\mu m$  in the bulk
- Field of first vortex penetration H<sub>vp</sub> is when the volume fraction in the Meissner state significantly deviates from 1



T. Junginger, R.E Laxdal and W.Wasserman Superconductor Science and Technology 30 (12) 2017, 125012

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