Prevention of Dual-Mode Excitation in 9-Cell Cavities Jefferson Lab



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The Phenomenon of Mode Mixing

- Observed in many 9-cell TESLA design cavities during qualification vertical test:
 - Cavity style used at XFEL, LCLS-II, ILC
 - Observed on nearly every cavity for LCLSII-HE
- Occurs at high gradients, > 17 MV/m
- 7/9 π mode becomes self-excited due to multipacting, modes are superimposed
- Unable to measure E_{acc}, Q₀, reliably

Novel Control Scheme to Prevent Mode Mixing

- Turn off power at 1300 MHz, π mode is no longer excited
- The second Field Control Chassis (FCC) is turned on, exciting the lacksquare1297 MHz 7/9 π mode
- Optimize phase for 7/9 π mode by minimizing reflected power
- Reverse phase by 180°, causing the mode to die away
- The output power at 1297 MHz set to < 10 mW at the cavity in lacksquareorder to reduce interference
- Power from FCC 1 is restored to drive the π mode
- Could lead to premature quench of cavity below maximum gradient
- Possible source of field emission from Bremsstrahlung

Three 9-cell cavities awaiting 2K vertical test





RF testing continues



Design of RF System for Cavity Test

- Field Control Chassis sets lacksquareamplitude and phase, locks onto cavity frequency
- Two Field Control Chassis (FCC) connected in parallel, one for each mode Now a regular part of testing L2-HE cavities Possible extension to other R&D cavity testing with multiple modes





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Effects on Cavity Testing

- Only appears in single-cavity vertical tests, when cavity is near critical coupling: $Q_0 \approx Q_{fpc} \approx 10^{10}$
- Does not occur in cryomodules, cavities are strongly over-coupled
- When mode mixing occurs during testing, must turn off power to the cavity to let 7/9 π mode decay
- Dwell time is several seconds, takes time to decay and refill the cavity
- When mode mixing, reflected and transmitted power see increased energy from the undesired mode, invalidates any data taken
- Can be time consuming, only a short window to take accurate data in each power cycle
- Prevents stable measurements when at high-gradient, important for measuring field emission and processing other multipacting barriers

RF Control systems and instruments in Vertical Test Area

System Performance



Vertical Test of HE-R096 on 04/11/2023

Once off-resonance power is applied, 7/9 π mode does not grow, stopped

 $E_{max}^{1300} = 13 \text{ MV/m}$ $E_{max}^{1297} = 2 \text{ MV/m}$

References

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Data is nearly identical with Mode



FIG. 4. (Color) Trajectories terminated in the neighboring cell $E_{\rm max} < 20$ MV/m, for emission in the 3rd and 7th cell $E_{\rm max} \sim 13$ MV/m). Passband-mode excitation occurs. Figure from V. Volkov [1]

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feedback loop

- Off-resonance power is small, <10mW \bullet
- Power in the π mode is > 20 W when testing cavity
- Errors on measurement of Q_0 are small, < 1%
- Error bars are already 8-10%
- No effect on measurement of \bullet gradient (E_{acc}) through FP, no field is excited by off-resonance power



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