



Present status of FLUTE RF system and future upgrades

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FLUTE: Ferninfrarot Linac- Und Test-Experiment



Main goals for FLUTE

- Test facility for accelerator physics
- Experiments with THz radiation

R&D topics

- Test bench for new beam diagnostics
- Systematic bunch compression and THz generation studies
- Development of single-shot fs diagnostics Electron
- Synchronization on a femtosecond level



Final electron energy	~ 41 MeV
Electron bunch charge	1 pC - 3 nC
Electron bunch length	1 - 300 fs
Pulse repetition rate	10 Hz
THz E-Field strength	up to 1.2 GV/m

A – Experimental hall:

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- **1** Klystron with auxiliaries
- **2** RF photo-injector gun
- 3 Linac

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- 4 Bunch compressor
- **B** Laser clean room
- **C** Airlock
- **D** THz measurement room
- **E** Control room
- **F** Entrance area

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RF system configuration







Update on the Split Ring Resonator experiment



Optics for photo-injector & SRR experiment set up and working
High THz generation efficiency reached (up to ~0.03%)
Laser diagnostics needs to be aligned and commissioned
Temporal and spatial overlap needs to be established



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Advantages of new RF system configuration:

- New klystrons + state-of-the-art solid state modulators with high repetition rate
- Better and easier RF power stabilization (with LLRF) using two separate sources
- RF photo-injector optimized for bunch charge range from 10 pC to 1 nC (with low dark current) and high rep. rate (up to 50 Hz)

New RF photo-injector (from RadiaBeam)



Parameter	Value	and the second se
Maximum Input power	9.5 MW	Cathode
Output Energy at 9.5 MW	5.5 MeV	
Operating Frequency	2.998 GHz	
Maximum repetition rate	50 Hz	
Peak surface field	102 MV/m	
Peak cathode field	120 MV/m	
Maximum bunch charge	Up to 1 nC	(with pumping port)
Cathode	Rempovable	Photo provided
Number of RF feeds	1	by RadiaBeam
Laser injection	Off-axis or on- axis	
Quantum efficiency	3 x 10 ⁻⁵	RF probe
		Main waveguide

RF photo-injectors simulations



Old FLUTE RF photo-injector

New RF photo-injector



Summary for 1 nC beam simulation (ASTRA code)



Main electron beam parameters at the entrance of the linac (2.8 m from cathode)

RF gun	Beam size	Beam divergence	Bunch length	Beam type
Old	2.19 mm	1.07 mrad	0.59 mm	Laminar
New	1.9 mm	1.06 mrad	0.57 mm	Laminar

New RF photo-injector (1 nC)



Complete FLUTE simulations



Comparison of the old and the new RF photo-injector beam dynamics



RF gun	Beam length (1pC)	Beam length (1 nC)	
Old	3.3 fs	200 fs	
New	3.1 fs	180 fs	

Summary



- Simulation of the new RF photo-injector (from RadiaBeam) have been performed. It showed very good results by achieving bunch length shorter than with existing FLUTE RF photo-injector. Further optimization of FLUTE configuration with wider parameters range is planned.
- New RF system with two klystrons and two modulators will allow to achieve higher electron beam energy, higher repetition rate and better RF power stabilization with LLRF feedback system.
- Design of the vacuum chamber for the chicane is in progress. Dipoles and quadrupoles were measured and accepted.
- Design of the new RF waveguide system and cooling system for new RF photo-injector is in progress.
- Optics for photo-injector & SRR experiment set up and working. High THz generation efficiency reached (up to ~0.03%). Alignment of laser diagnostic is in progress.

Thank you for your attention!