



Experience with NUCLOTRON

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The Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINR) in Dubna is an international research organization established in accordance with the intergovernmental agreement of 11 countries in 1956. At the present time, 18 countries are the JINR Member States and 5 more countries have the associated member status.

The Synchrophazotron – soft-focusing machine, launched in 1957. Circumference 211 m. 4 quadrants, 36000 tons of steel. Vacuum chamber 110x60 cm.

The first relativistic nuclear beams with the energy of 4.2 AGeV were obtained at the Synchrophasotron in 1971. Since that time the study of relativistic nuclear physics problems has been one of the main directions of the JINR research program.



Precursors and Hints



1970 – Synchrophazotron (JINR): observation of

dd $\Rightarrow \pi$ -jet : $\Sigma E_{jet} > 2m_n c^2 \Rightarrow$ first cumulative effect!

(V.Sviridov, V.Stavinsky)

1980th - 2007 AGS, SPS, RHIC

Hypothesis of quark-gluon plasma (QGP^{*)}) -

- a "mirage" never proved been observed

Nevertheless, there are all indications of a qualitatively new form of matter is being produced in central Au x Au collisions at RHIC!

*) QGP \equiv a (locally) thermally equilibrated state of matter in which quarks and gluons are deconfined from hadrons, so that color degrees of freedom become manifest over nuclear, rather than merely nucleonic, volumes.

Nuclotron – Superconducting Proton Synchrotron operation since 1993



Alexander Baldin

6 A·GeV synchrotron based on unique fastcycling superferric magnets, was designed and constructed at JINR for five years (1987-1992) and put into operation in March 1993. The annual running time of 2000 hours is provided during the last years.







Optic structure of the Nuclotron: 8 super-periods, each contains 3 regular periods and 1 period, which does not contain dipole magnet. Reguar period includes focusing and defocusing quadrupole lenses, 4 dipoles and 2 small stright sections for multipole correctors and diagnostics.



JINR NUCLOTRON



Design and construction of the Nuclotron provided to JINR the unique long-term experience in the technology of superconducting magnets

Nuclotron fast-cycled superferric dipole and quadrupole magnets





34 T/m, 68 T/m s, quad





Nuclotron status

Stable operation 1300 ÷ 2000 hours/year during the past three years. More than 75% of the total beam time is used for physics, experiments the beam time allocated for MD ~ 25% of the total one.

The ion beams: p, d, He, Li, B, C, N⁶⁺, N⁷⁺, Mg, Ar¹⁶⁺, Fe²⁴⁺; dî tested The energy range 0.35 ÷ 2.2 GeV/u for nuclei, 3,5 GeV/u for deuterons, 5.7 GeV for protons.

The experiments are performed by 14 collaborations.

Collaboration at Nuclotron



Romania, USA, Uzbekistan, Ukraine, France, Japan

Sidney

10 stages-subprojects of the Nuclotron-M project

- Modernization of ion source KRION to KRION 6T;
- Improvement of the vacuum in the Nuclotron ring;
- Development of the power supply system, quench detection and energy evacuation system;
- Modernization of the RF system (including trapping & bunching systems, controls and diagnostics);
- Modernization of the slow extraction system for accelerated heavy ions at maximal energies;
- Modernization of automatic control system, diagnostics and beam control system;
- Transportation channel of the extracted beams and radiation safety;
- Improvement of the safety, stability and economical efficiency of the cryogenics;
- Modernization of the injector complex (foreinjector and linac) for acceleration of heavy ions;
- Development and creation of high intensity polarized deutron source



Beam dynamics: minimization of the beam losses at all stages from injection to acceleration and to extraction of the beams (not more then 15-20%, we have about 50-80%).



General view of the KRION ion source with 3 T solenoid



Experimental result

3 T solenoid: 5.108 Au³⁰⁺

E. Donets

Expectation

6 T solenoid: $2 \cdot 10^9 U^{32+}$

E.Donets and team. KRION source





As LU-20 accepts ions with charge to mass ratio q/M>1/3 one should produce in ion source ¹²⁴Xe ion beams with the following charge states: ¹²⁴Xe41+, ¹²⁴Xe42+, ¹²⁴Xe43+, ¹²⁴Xe44+ This was done in October 2009 run with use of KRION-2T Electron String Ion Source. Highly charged Xe ion beams with charge state Xe42+ in the maximum of the charge state spectrum (see picture) has been produced for 780 ms of ionization time. A total pulse ion current for highly charged Xe ions was obtained on a level 130 µA which contains mixture of Xe40+, Xe41+, Xe42+, Xe43+, Xe44+ charge states. In terms of the single chosen charge state Xe42+ in its maximum the extracted ion beam pulse contained about 3×10^7 Xe42+ particles per pulse. Pure separated isotope ⁸⁴Kr was used for calibration of Time-of-Flight analysis.



Injector (LU-20) modernization

- dismounting of the linac vessel and geodethy of all 59 druft tubes

- new power supplies for corrector magnets

- commissioning of the new synchronization system for all linac control channels

- exchange of some vacuum chamber parts of the injection channel (new fast vacuum shutters)

- 2-3 dedicated beam runs



Nuclotron vacuum system modernization





Assembled pick-up station



Touch-screen panel for vacuum system control

PrismaPlus @ 8D2



Assembled elliptical pick-up station



Monitoring of vacuum during run







New diagnostics (elliptical pick-up stations)



New (elliptical) pick-up station prototype for Nuclotron (GSI design).







Run 39, (circulation of H_2^+) – lifetime 100 msec, Average vacuum ~ 2*10-9 Torr (2009)



Crossection decay of H_2^+ ions on Nitrogen at Energy 5 MeV/n ~ 10⁻¹⁶ cm²

Before installation of new pumps av. vacuum at Nuclotron ~ $(1-2)^{*}10^{-8}$ Torr (2008) Before modernization of the injection channel ~ 5*10-7 Torr (2006)

Since July'07 we performed 6 runs (# 37, 38, 39, 40, 41)

Results of the 41st run at Nuclotron 25 Feb - 25 March 2010:

Generated, accelerated Xe ions (for the first time at Nuclotron !): C (A=12, Z=4) Xe (A=124, Z=42)

Signal of the Xe beam from low-intensity detector at the ring





Image of the extracted Xe beam (E = 0,6 GeV/) on photoplate

Xe beam (A=124, Z=42+) was accelerated (10⁶ i) up to <u>570</u> <u>MeV/n & 1 GeV/n</u>, and succesfully extracted (10⁴ i).

Beam losses





Xe (1 Gev/n) trace on photoemulsion (experiment "Becquerel")

RF system modernization

Nuclotron has 2 RF stations. T = 40K. F0 .. Fmax = 0,5 MHz .. 5 MHz

- existing pick-up stations were totally revised and experimentally tested at room and He temperatures.

- Special shielding for the both RF stations and plugs of HV cables to this station were manufactured and installed in a tunnel. This allows to decrease noise from RF on the beam signal by factor of 10-15;

- Created the new control system of RF and B (magnetic field) synchronization with new digital synthesizer and accuracy of 0.01 Gauss;



B field from 300 Gs (injection) up to 20000 Gs (max. acc) – <u>factor of 700</u> RF frequency from 0,5 MHz (injection) up to 5 MHz (max. acc) – <u>factor of 10</u>



Accuracy for B etalon is - 0,01 Gs Accuracy for RF ($\Delta f/f$) is 10^-5



New layout of the power supply system



Decrease of the field ripple by factor of 10–15







Improvement of the power supplies, shielding and energy evacuation system of the magnets and lenses

Run 41 (performed):

Very important stage – increase of the magnetic field in magnets and lenses from 1.5 up to 1.8 using special prototype of the energy evacuation system;

Next stage – field increase from 1.8 up 1.9 - 2T in the end of 2010 and full-scale commissionig of the new power supply system

- power supply for current increase in the F-lenses is under construction;
- new system
 for magnet field
 control;
- beam-bump G. TUDNIKOV, NICA KID 1/28 A



Full-scale modernization of the Nuclotron power supply system







Modernization of the automation system for control, beam diagnostics and monitoring of parameters of the accelerator complex.



Kit of new power supplies (130 A) for Nuclotron correctors Collaboration with Slovakia

32 correctors in the ring



Automatic system "INJECTION"



One of 30 chips (hi-tech) for automatic System for beam orbit measurement






One of the most importatnt results of 42nd run: decrease of particle losses at injection. Now 30%, before 70%



Nuclotron external beam lines

Parameter	Value	
Momentum range (z/ A=1/2), GeV/c/u	0.6 – 6.8	
Momentum spread, σ	0.04 – 0.08	
Extraction time ,s	10	
Beam emittance (max)	2π	
Beam size in a waist, σ	<u><</u> 1	
Extraction efficiency,%	> 90	

Randing magnete

Quadrupole lenses

 \Box

Dump, shield

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f3 experimental area



Beam slow extraction system at maximum energy (V. Volkov)



Prototype of new high voltage power supply for the electro-static septum was constructed and successfully tested up to 220 kV (existing septum power supply allows up to 110 kV only – it corresponds to 2,3 GeV/n extracted beam). We plan to install it in the slow extraction sector in order to provide experiments on beam

extraction at energy 4 GeV/n during next Nuclotron run - done (tested at 150 kV).

Modernization of the cryogenic system

Design and construction of the system for diagnostic and compute¹² control of the existing helium refrigerators KGU-1600/4.5 and all helium circuit;

Design, construction and put into operation the system for recondensation of a cold gaseous nitrogen evaporated after cooling heat screens of the Nuclotron ring cryogenic modules; - factor 2-3 o economical efficiency

Reparation and partial replacement of the cryogenic equipment that have exceeded tolerable operation period.



RING COOLING-DOWN EVOLUTION



Temperature distribution of the helium cooling gas (30 hours after starting)







"Wet" turboexpanders (frequency 300000 turns/min)

Total revision and modernization of cryo-plant:

- oil-absorbing filters exchange and refilling
- He tanks and cylinders reconstruction -cleaning of the pipe-lines
- renovation of turbo-expanders kit

Will sufficiently allow to work stable and to economy liquid Nitrogen and He





Upgrade of the cryogenic supply system and cryogenics power increasing towards NICA



Additional screw compressor for helium (6000m³/h) - from HELIIMASH Succesfully commissioned and used during run #41 (step towards NICA) Resource saving:

In winter 2010 we modernized Nitrogen liquefying plant and decreased cost by 24%

During summer 2010 we continued upgrade of the Plant and have additional 15-20% of LN cost saving.

For info: during 1 month run LN consumption of Nuclotron is \sim 250 tons, 1 ton = 10000 rub.



Nuclotron-M beams in 2010 and further (until NICA commissioning):

- Deutrons, protons development of existing physics program + appl. research
- Light ions hypernuclei, applied research (medicine, radiobiology, etc)
- Heavy ions R&D for detector elements, key accelerator technologies for NICA (stripping, fast injection/extraction, cooling, electron clouds effect, etc)
- Polarized deutrons from new intense source (polarimetry, etc.)



Assembled vacuum and cryogenic vessels of the new source KRION-6T; New automatic machine tool for solenoid coil spooling.



Development and creation of a high-intensity polarized deuteron source (V. Fimushkin)

We continue collaboration works with INR (Troitsk) on the development of the new high-intensity polarized deuteron source, and signed an addendum for work prolongation in 2009. We plan to start commissioning of the source elements in 2010 at JINR.

Simulation, modeling and design of different elements of the future source are in active phase at LHEP. Experimental hall for the future test bench with that source is prepared at LHEP building 203A, preparation electrical and water-cooling works were performed.

It is planned to purchase part of necessary vacuum equipment (TMN pumps) for the SPD realization in 2009 – done. Вакуумная камера диссоциатора и



кислорода



Beam	Nuclotron beam intensity, particles per cycle						
	Current	lon source type	Nuclotron-M (2010)	Nuclotron-N (2012)	New ion source + booster (2014)		
р	3.10 ¹⁰	Duoplasmotron	8·10 ¹⁰	5.10 ¹¹	5 ·10 ¹²		
d	3.10 ¹⁰	,,	8.10 ¹⁰	5 .10 ¹¹	5 .10 ¹²		
⁴ He	6.10 ⁸	,,	2.10 ⁹	3·10 ¹⁰	1.10 ¹²		
d↑	2·10 ⁸	ABS ("Polaris")	2 ⋅10 ⁸	7.10 ¹⁰ (SPI)	7·10 ¹⁰ (SPI)		
⁷ Li	2.10 ⁹	Laser	7.10 ⁹	3·10 ¹⁰	5·10 ¹¹		
¹⁰ B	1.10 ⁹	,,	3.10 ⁹	2·10 ⁹	7·10 ¹⁰		
¹² C	2.10 ⁹	,,	6.10 ⁹	3·10 ¹⁰	3·10 ¹¹		
²⁴ Mg	2·10 ⁸	,,	7.10 ⁸	4.10 ⁹	4 ⋅ 10 ¹⁰		
¹⁴ N	1.10 ⁷	ESIS ("Krion-2")	3 ⋅10 ⁷	3·10 ⁸	5·10 ¹⁰		
²⁴ Ar	4.10 ⁶	,,	8·10 ⁶	2·10 ⁹	2 ⋅10 ¹⁰		
⁵⁶ Fe	1.10 ⁶	,,	4 ⋅10 ⁶	2.10 ⁹	5·10 ¹⁰		
⁸⁴ Kr	1.10 ⁵	,,	2 ⋅10 ⁵	1.10 ⁸	1.10 ⁹		
¹²⁴ Xe	1·10 ⁴	,,	1.10 ⁵	7.10 ⁷	1.10 ⁹		
Nuclotron-M	[(2010) <mark>:</mark> vacuu	m (1 x10 0), new p	ower supply system,	orbit corfection, a	utomatization;		
Nuclotron-N (2012): new ESIS (KRION 6T: $I \uparrow x20$) + Reconstructed LU-20 (new RFQ + E-resonator:							

 $I \uparrow x^2$) + Adiabatic RF capture ($I \uparrow x^2$)

Beam	Comparison, <u>particles</u> per cycle				
	Energy	GSI (SIS18)	Nuclotron-M (2010)	Nuclotron-N (2012)	New ion source + booster (2014)
р	4,5 GeV	5·10 ¹¹	8.10 ¹⁰	5.10 ¹¹	5·10 ¹²
d	2,2 GeV	2·10 ¹⁰	8.10 ¹⁰	5·10 ¹¹	5·10 ¹²
⁴ He			2.10 ⁹	3·10 ¹⁰	1.10 ¹²
d↑			2·10 ⁸	7·10 ¹⁰ (SPI)	7.10 ¹⁰ (SPI)
⁷ Li ⁶⁺			7.10 ⁹	3·10 ¹⁰	5·10 ¹¹
¹² C ⁶⁺	300 MeV	7.10 ¹⁰	6.10 ⁹	3·10 ¹⁰	3·10 ¹¹
¹⁴ N ⁷⁺	300 MeV	1.10 ¹¹	3·10 ⁷	3·10 ⁸	5.10 ¹⁰
²⁴ Mg ¹²⁺	300 MeV	5·10 ¹⁰	7.10 ⁸	4.10 ⁹	5.10 ¹⁰
⁴⁰ Ar ¹⁸⁺	300 MeV	6.10 ¹⁰	8.10 ⁶	2·10 ⁹	2.10 ¹⁰
⁵⁶ Fe ²⁸⁺			4·10 ⁶	2·10 ⁹	5.10 ¹⁰
⁵⁸ Ni ²⁶⁺	300 MeV	8.10 ⁹			
⁸⁴ Kr ³⁴⁺	0,3 -1 GeV	2·10 ¹⁰	2·10 ⁵	1.10 ⁸	1.10 ⁹
¹²⁴ Xe ^{48/42+}	0,3 -1 GeV	1.10 ¹⁰	1·10 ⁵	7·10 ⁷	1.10 ⁹
¹⁸¹ Ta ⁶¹⁺	1 GeV	2.10 ⁹			
¹⁹⁷ Au ^{65/79+}		3.10 ⁹		1.10 ⁸	1.10 ⁹
238U28+	0,05-1 GeV	5.10 ⁹			

"Fixed target" experiments (2011-2015 - ... years) at existing extracted beams



Nuclotron/NICA MAC









PAC for particle physics - June 2008 + Nuclotron-M Machine Advisory Committee + Honorary guests





NICA: <u>Nuclotron based lon Collider fAcility</u>





NICA

Heavy Ion Mode: Operation Regime and Parameters



Searching for nuclear matter at extreme states





Booster

Synchrophasotron dismantling \Rightarrow in progress Jan 2011: 90% are empty





"Twin" magnets of NICA collider: Max. field - 2T, super-ferric (Nuclotron-like), double aperture SC magnetic system: manufacturing of magnet prototypes



Dipole cross-section





Quadrupole lense









Collider dipole magnet is under assembly at JINR workshops



Prototypes of SIS-100 quadrupole and dipole. We performed 5 tests during April-November 2010.











Test experiment on stochastic cooling at Nuclotron



Stochastic cooling system prototype at Nuclotron for HESR/NICA

2 ÷ 4 GHz, 100W





Pick-up tank





Optical notch filter



Simulations with protons

For protons power is around 35-40 W and gain is ~ 140 dB

Evolution of energy spectrum at time 0 and 10 sec. and rms value of dp/p as a function of time:



Simulations with carbon (C(+6))

For carbon ions power is around 35 W and gain 130 dB

Evolution of energy spectrum at time 0 and 10 sec. and rms value of dp/p as a function of time:



The NICA Collaboration



Budker INP

- Booster RF system
- ✓ Booster electron cooler
- ✓ Collider RF system
- Collider SC magnets (expertise)
- ✓ HV e-cooler for collider
- ✓ Electronics
- ✓ Injector linac (under discussion)



IHEP (Protvino): Injector Linac



FZ Jűlich (IKP): HV E-cooler & Stoch. cooling



Fermilab: HV E-cooler,

Beam dynamics, Stoch. cooling



CERN: Beam dynamics, E-cooling, Acceler. technique

All-Russian Institute for Electrotechnique

HV Electron cooler



GSI/FAIR

ipoles for Booster/SIS-100 ipoles for Collider

BNL (RHIC)

Electron & Stoch. Cooling

ITEP: Beam dynamics in the collider

Corporation "Powder Metallurgy" (Minsk, Belorussia): Technology of TiN coating of vacuum chamber walls for reduction of secondary emission
Thank you for your attention

