

State of the Art Post Accelerator Facilities

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Isotope production reaction mechanisms

Most post accelerator facilities are based on

ISOL –Isotope Separator On-Line (target "spallation" or fission)

- Light ion-induced "spallation" or fission of heavy targets
- Isotopes must diffuse from hot targets and effuse to an ion source
- Typical beams ~100-1000 MeV protons; typical targets Ta & UC
- Photofission using high power electron linac

Target/Ion Source	lsotope/lsobar Separator	Stopped Beams	 Very intense beams of many elements, especially noble gases and alkalis
Thick Hot		Post	 Weak beams of refractory and
Target		Accelerator	chemically active elements
Product	tion	Several facilities around the world:	
Accelera	ator	Rex-Isolde, Spiral, ISAC, EXYPT, SPES,EURISOL .	



Isotope production reaction mechanisms

In-flight heavy-ion fragmentation or fission on a light target

- Fragments of the beam are kinematically forward directed at ~beam velocity
- Rare isotopes are separated physically; no chemical dependence
- Typical beams are 18O, 82Kr, & 238U at 200-2000 MeV/u; typical targets Be or C



- Separated beams of any species including refractory and chemically active elements and isotopes with very short halflives, even isomers
- Needs gas catcher or solid stopper for post acceleration

ReA at MSU will be the first postaccelerator coupled to a fragmentation facility



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RIB post accelerator are heavy ion accelerator, but come with special requirements/challenges

More than 1000 RIBs Isotopes produced and observed at the Coupled Cyclotron Facility at MSU, more than 830 RIBs used in experiments



Postaccelerators

- need to accelerate a wide
 variety of ions and all masses
- should be capable of
 accelerating all masses fast and with high efficiency
- Must control isobaric impurities (stable and unstable)
- Support a wide dynamic range, beam tuning with a few 100 p/s (diagnostics !)

Support wide energy range and energy flexibility

- 100keV to Coulomb barrier for nuclear astrophysics (low energy spread and small transverse emittance)
- Above Coulomb Barrier 5-20MeV/nuc

Challenge: Accelerate all ions efficiently starting from thermal/low energy beams



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- Typically **RFQ** provide a **fixed energy "step"** (choice must be made for the lowest energy supported by the facility)

For singly charged RIB complex RFQ chains with charge stripping in between are necessary to provide full A/Q range (see for example, P.N. Ostroumov, PAC2005)

High charge state ions (CB) are needed to provide flexible mass and energy range





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- Provide great mass resolution and are a very compact solution
- Limited A/Q range
- Wide energy range is difficult to achieve with a single machine (complex operation using several higher harmonics)
- Beam matching into the center region with high efficiency is more difficult compared to a linac
- Energy upgrades are much more difficult than with a linac

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Charge breeder for post accelerator facilities - a comparison

Electron Cyclotron Resonance Sources ANL, CARIBU, GANIL Spiral, ISAC...



e Rex-Isolde, ReA, ANL, ISAC

ECR		EBIS/EBIT
Plasma	Confinement	E-beam
<25%	Efficiency	<25%-50%
μΑ (10 ¹³ pps)	Injected beam	nA (10 ¹⁰ pps)
2-8	A/Q	2 – 8
100ms-10 sec	Breeding time	20 - 300 msec
pA-nA	Contamination	<pa< td=""></pa<>
CW or pulsed		Pulsed
Easy	Operation	complex
Charge state selection is less flexible		Flexibility in charge state selection

Charge breeder for post accelerator facilities - a comparison

Electron Cyclotron Resonance Sources background peaks limit purity level of CB beams ANL, CARIBU



R. Vondrasek, ICIS 2011

Electron Beam Ion Sources background peaks are reduced to pA levels, clean A/Q can be selected



MSU EBIT, A. Lapierre, CAARI2012

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CS is less flexible		Flexibility in CS

Spiral – GANIL – ISOL+ECR CB+ Cyclotron



Impurity Issues from ECR CB are addressed with the high mass resolution from Cime (>10000)

Wide mass range/energy is achieved by using 2,3,4,5, harmonics for cyclotron acceleration, 1.7MeV/n-25MeV/n



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Slide Courtesy F. Wenander



ISOL-Penning Trap-EBIS-LINAC

32 different radioactive elements for physics
~100 isotopes accelerated
~100 beam times
~<10% contaminates</pre>

REX-ISOLDE Post accelerator to 3 MeV/u Room temperature Linac First experiment 2001 HIE upgrade with SRF Linac (2015)



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TRIUMF/ISAC Facility



Slides Courtesy of Bob Laxdal

ISAC Postaccelerator Facility

- World class ISOL facility for the production and acceleration of rare isotope beams (RIB)
- Highest power driver beam (50 kW protons)
- Heavy mass RIB produced with actinide targets (10kW)
- 40MV SC heavy ion postaccelerator – fully variable in energy

Challenges:

- A/q acceptance of RFQ imposes limit of A<30
- Charge State Booster (ECRIS) needed to reach A>30
- Chief problem stable contaminants from CSB overwhelming RIB
- Plans are to use to add an EBIT CB



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CARIBU uses a ²⁵²Cf source for "production" and ATLAS as post accelerator (neutron rich heavy ions)

- Stopped beams Masses, decay spectroscopy, laser spectroscopy (over 60 masses measured)
- Post-acceleration energy up to 12 MeV/u Single particle structure, gamma-ray spectroscopy





- accelerator
 - ReA commissioning results and status

The Coupled Cyclotron Facility at National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory at Michigan State University

Fast, stopped, and (soon) reaccelerated radioactive ion beams





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ReA Concept: Fragmentation Facility-Gas Stopper - EBIT CB coupled with SC Linac



Requirements and Design Choices

Ion efficiency for all elements	> 20 %	EBIT charge breeder + high efficiency linac
Beam rate capabilities	10 ⁸ ions/sec	Hybrid EBIS/T charge breeder
High beam purity		A1900, EBIT CB, Q/A
Low energy spread, short pulse length	1keV/u, 1nsec	Multiharmonic external buncher and tight phase control in SRF linac



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ReAccelerator facility is build in several phases, energy can be upgraded by adding cryomodules



ReA Design Choices: EBIT CB







EBIT Charge Breeder: Hybrid Design to maximize capture efficiency and minimize breeding time

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See A. Lapierre, poster #29

Requirements of a charge breeder for ReA:

- Breeding time < 50 ms (for short-lived isotopes)</p>
- ▶ Efficiency: 20% 50 % (for inj.-breeding-extrac.)
- ► Charge capacity: up to 10¹⁰ positive charges
- ► Low contamination level...



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EBIT: Key *design* parameters:

- magnetic field: up to 6 T
- I_e = 0.5...5 A, E_e < 30keV
- current density: up to ${\sim}10^4\,\text{A/cm}^2$
- 4K trap system
- 0.5 < A/Q < 0.2
- HV: 60kV ⇔ 24...48 kV

Over-the-potential barrier injection



EBIT Charge Breeder: Hybrid Design to maximize capture efficiency and minimize breeding time

Flexible B-field distribution



Extended low-field region (solenoid):

<u>To ionize 1+ ion before a roundtrip</u>: increase e-beam diameter for high electron-ion beam overlap upon injection \rightarrow High capture probability

1.2 m

Short high-field region (Helmholtz coils):

Reduce e-beam diameter for high current density \rightarrow High charge states and fast charge breeding



ReA Design Choices: MHB+ RT RFQ



RFQ and Multiharmonic Buncher

 ▶80.5 MHz RF frequency
 ▶External bunching to reduce RFQ length and energy spread of the beam
 ▶Compact design relying on high charge states from EBIT (0.5 < Q/A < 0.2) (2 < A/Q < 5)



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Room Temperature Radio Frequency Quadrupole (RFQ)



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ReA Design Choices: SC-Linac



SRF LINAC

▶80.5 MHz RF frequency
 ▶Flexible energy range (deceleration 300keV/u to maximum linac energy in small steps





Compact superconducting linac with 2 types of quarter wave resonators



• 7 β =0.041 cavities are in operation since 2010 with excellent performance and stability

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Routinely operated at 160% of the specified gradient

Measured Phase and Amplitude

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Cavity	Phase Std dev (deg)	Amplitude Std dev (%)		
82	0.149	0.025 %		
84	0.207	0.009 %		
85	0.043	0.018 %		
88	0.14	0.013 %		
89	0.06	0.020 %		
91	0.248	0.046 %		



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Compact superconducting linac with 2 types of quarter wave resonators



- β =0.085 cavities were redesigned to reliably provide high gradient acceleration fields
- Ten β =0.085 cavities have been completed in November 2012 and are being installed in the final cold mass







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Diagnostic systems are very challenging for RIB post-accelerators (dynamic range 10²pps to 10¹²pps)



Diagnostics FC 1 2 Slit profile monitor 3 Viewer, MCP or crystals 4 Bunch lengths, timing 5 Slits, aperture 6 Attenuators 7 Detectors (decay, scattering, in beam) 8 MCP, TOF 9 Pepperpot 10 **Emittance Scanner** 11 Energy defining slits 12 BPM

Re-accelerator Commissioning Status



- Beam acceleration through the SRF LINAC using the pilot source has been established as routine operation (H₂, He)
- First 1+/n+ acceleration has been demonstrated with the EBIT source (K¹⁺ / K¹⁶⁺)
- Next Step: Radioactive ion beam injection...
- Completion of the experimental hall



Commissioning Status



CAESAR detector



Absolute energy calibration of ReA using 992 keV Al(p,γ) resonance Energy spread is close to predicted value



Summary

- RIB post accelerator are heavy ion accelerator, but come with special requirements/challenges
 - Solution needs to be tailored to the user needs and production facility capability
- ReA is built on the experience of existing post accelerator
 - -Commissioning is progressing well, beams below or close to the Coulomb barrier will completed 2013
 - -First radioactive ion beam injection is planned in the next few weeks
 - The first energy upgrade for beam energies above the Coulomb barrier is in progress (2015)
- ReA is looking for postdocs to join, and also welcomes collaboration in all forms





When FRIB Driver Becomes Operational the Existing Experimental Areas and ReA will be connected to the FRIB fragment separator





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Commissioning Status: Stopped Beam Area



ARTEMIS 150.0; 15.0; 12.5

D1015 Field B CSET / B RD

Beam image after N4 analyzing magnet during the RIB commissioning





ANL gas stopper (FRIB R&D) Delivered May 2012 Commissioning runs started 10/2012 using 76Ga

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- Similarly cyclotrons have a limited A/Q range, wide energy range is more difficult to achieve



High charge state ions (CB) are needed to provide flexible mass and energy range (or complex RFQ chains with charge stripping in between)



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ReA at the Coupled Cyclotron Facility (2012)



Rare Isotope Beam Production





ReA Offline test ion source and LINAC is well equipped to benchmark XAL model [2]



ReA Design Choices: A/Q Mass Separator



Achromatic Mass Separator:

- ► Resolving power ~100 at 120 π mm mrad
- Achromatic within $\Delta E/E \sim 3\%$
- Accept EBIT beams of large energy spread
 Commissioned 2010





