Results from the Feb 2012 9mA studies

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Background to February 2012 studies

• **Cost minimization for the ILC**
  – High cost of gradient -> keep gradient overhead to minimum
  – High cost of RF power -> keep rf power overhead to minimum

• **Minimize emittance growth due to orbit changes from cavity kicks**
  – Minimize changes in cavity kicks -> minimize changes in cavity gradients over the duration of the beam pulse
  – Spread of operating gradients on same RF klystron
ILC: Maximising Energy

- **ILC baseline parameter:** 31.5±20% MV/m accelerating gradient (25-38 MV/m)

- **Full individual cavity $P_{\text{for}}$ and $Q_L$ control foreseen**
  - but not cheap!
  - FLASH only has $Q_L$ adjustment
  - Flat gradient solutions $I_B$ dependent!

- **(Positive) slopes on individual cavity gradients ‘eat away’ gradient overhead**

- **Goal:** <3% change in $V$ over flat top
  - including during turn-on
Cavity gradient tilts due to spread in operating gradients on same vector sum

**All Qext equal**
(FLASH standard setup)

- Effective shorter pulse at max. gradient.
- Same quench limit?

**Individually adjusted Qext**
(ILC Reference Design)

- 0 mA @ Pk control
- 0 mA @ Ql&Pk control
- 9 mA @ Pk control
- 9 mA @ Ql&Pk control

Simulation for 38 MV/m & 25 MV/m cavities

Matched beam current with constant Pk:

\[ I_{\text{matched}} = \frac{V_k}{\left(\frac{r}{Q}\right)Q_{\text{ext}}} \]

**FLASH cavities have remotely adjustable Loaded Qs (ACC67)**

Solutions modeled to achieve flat gradients without adjusting Pk
ILC: Beam Dynamics

\[ \delta y'(t) \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{V_a(t)}{E_{beam}} \cdot \alpha_{cav} \]

Cavity alignment pitch: 300 \( \mu \)r RMS

\[ \gamma \varepsilon_y = 30 \text{ nm} \]

1.5\% RMS ‘voltage tilt’ \( \rightarrow \) 1 nm \( \gamma \varepsilon_y \) growth (for entire ILC linac)

Note: \( \Delta (\gamma \varepsilon_y) \propto \Delta V_a(t)^2 \)

Tolerance similar to quench limit overhead (few %)

• Impacts of random cavity misalignments (tilt) \( \alpha_{cav} \)

• Transverse kick to the beam
  – time dependent due to voltage ‘slope’ \( V_a(t) \)

• Resulting betatron oscillations cause emittance growth
  – different for different bunches along train
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• **Study questions**
  - How well can we flatten the cavity gradients?
  - How close to quench can we run the cavities?
  - How close to saturation can we run the klystron?
  - How do we reach full current and full gradient without quenching?
  
  - All the above must be achieved while running maximum current and 800us bunch trains
• **Machine conditions**
  - 800us bunch-trains (2400 bunches)
  - Average current over 800us: ~4.5mA (1.5nC/3MHz)
  - Beam energy: 1GeV
  - Average gradients (ACC67): 26.7MV/m avg (13 cavities)
  - Max operating gradients (ACC7): 4 cavities above 31MV/m

• **ACC67 was focus of study**
  - We chose to use only 13 of the 16 cavities: ACC6 C5/C6 and ACC7/C1 were detuned
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Iterative flattening of cavity gradients (better than +/-0.3% achieved)

Algorithm

- Measure gradient tilt (linear fit)
- Make small change to QL of cavity with worst tilt

Gradient tilts by cavity (%)

Before correction

Gradient flat-tops for each cavity

After correction

Gradient flat-tops for each cavity
Limits achieved (380 MV)

Gradient (MV/m)

limiting cavity
Long-term stability: cavity flat-top RMS

13 cavities plotted

Each data point is average over
- RMS over flat-top divided by average voltage.
- 100 pulses averaged (20 seconds)

Scale is equivalent relative rms for 1% voltage change over flat-top (tilt)
[= 1% / (2*sqrt(3)) ~ 0.29%]
Assumed 4.5mA beam current (flat pulse)
Power distribution taken from V. Katalev
Used measured $Q_L$ values (from e-logbook)
Model $P_{f\text{or}}$ adjust to give $V\Sigma = 381.5$ MV:
$P_{\text{fill}} = 4.95$ MW, $P_{\text{ft}} = 3.37$ MW

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Model = blue
Measured = green
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• **Quench studies**
  – Measurement of quench limits
  – Quenches!
• Klystron saturation studies
• Long pulse operation close to gradient limits
• Wrap-up
Quench limit study: approach

Typical quench signature:

Sudden drop in $Q_l$: $\Delta Q_l > 5\times10^5$

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Quench limit study: approach

- Measurement approach
  - Detune all cavities but cavity being tested
  - Only include cavity i in vector sum, run with feedback on
  - Increase power below expected quench limit
  - Slowly approach limit gradient until quench
  - Report quench gradient

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Quench limit study: results

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- The cavities which were skipped perform better than 30 MV/m
- Some cavities performed slightly better than expected
- High performing cavities were skipped for reasons explained later
- Globally, good agreement with previously reported limits and recently measured ones

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Quench event during high gradient operation
(26 Feb, 21:57)

Limits achieved (380 MV)

Comparison of quench limits from Katalev Spreadsheet (red) with gradients in 380MeV vector sum (blue) indicate that ACC7/C4 is closest to its quench limits.

But... ACC6/C3 and ACC6/C8 were actually the first cavities to quench (...?)
We were adjusting the relative powers to ACC6 and ACC7 to find the maximum usable partial vector sum on ACC7
- Beam was enabled - 700us bunch trains
- Quench detection was disabled

ACC7 Cavity 1 was the first to quench
- Initially, the LLRF controller successfully maintained the ACC67 Vector Sum by increasing the klystron power
- We even got a full-energy beam pulse with C1 quenched

There was a cascade of quenches as the LLRF controller tried to maintain the VS by driving the other cavities harder and eventually into quench
Finally, RF was turned off by a cryo alarm ~1min later
Event #14427309: ACC7 cavity gradients before first quench

Red: this event,  Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427310: QL drop on C1

Red: this event, Blue: previous event
Event #14427311: C1 quenched, QL drop on C2 and C4

Red: this event, Blue: previous event, Green: nominal

Vector Sum is maintained by driving the other cavities harder
Event #14427312: C2 & C4 quenched, QL drop on C7 & C8

Red: this event, Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427313: quenches on C7, C8, C5, C3

Red: this event, Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427314: all cavities quenched, except C6

Red: this event, Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427315

Red: this event, Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427316

Red: this event, Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427317

Red: this event,  Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427318: C6 finally quenches

Red: this event,  Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427319: all cavities quenched

Red: this event,  Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427320: all cavities quenched

Red: this event, Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427321: all cavities quenched

Red: this event, Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Event #14427322: all cavities quenched

RF is turned off by a cryo alarm at ~5:06:20

Red: this event, Blue: previous event, Green: nominal
Maximum instantaneous gradients during Mombo quench event

Blue: Limits from Katalev spreadsheet

Red: maximum gradient during quench event
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- **Klystron saturation studies**
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As in RDR, llrf tuning overhead is 16% in power.

- Further suppression of rf overhead is requested.
- LLRF overhead covers such as (dynamic) microphonics, fluctuation of HV (klystron), beam current, ...
  (static) Pk and Ql tolerance, HV ripple, ...

### LLRF tuning overhead

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<td>36.9</td>
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**Note:** 10;1 change in the klystron gain slope!
• Rectangular rf output (not “Step-like”) is required because the rf overhead should be examined at flat-top.
  -> high current beam is desired.
  -> filling time should be optimized.
• Near saturation operation is required.
  -> Lower voltage operation of the klystron

Klystron voltage v.s. rf output

From V. Vogel
RF operation condition

- HV of klystron was decreased from 108 kV to 86.5 kV.
- 4.5 mA beam was used.
- Filling time was adjusted to have ~rectangular output (500us -> 660us).
- Operation point is about -7% (in power) from saturation.
Klystron saturation: disturbance test

Notch applied to Vector Sum setpoint

Forward power shows slower response on step up because the klystron cannot provide the power demanded due to saturation
Amplitude stability was worse twice at near sat. because of the limitation of rf.

But 0.05%rms in amplitude can satisfy the requirements (~0.1% in amplitude)

Phase stability was almost same between nominal and near saturation.
It was possible to operate near saturation (~7% below saturation).

Performance (amplitude and phase stabilities) satisfy the requirements.

Dynamic fluctuations can be compensated:

- Klystron HV fluctuation
- Beam current fluctuation
- Dynamic detuning (microphonics + Lorentz force detuning) can be compensated.
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  - Quench prevention
  - Ramping pulse length with full current
  - Ramping beam current with full pulse length
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Operating close to the limits: quench protection

Goal is to operate close to gradient limits, need to protect against quenching without causing frequent pulse terminations

Three-pronged approach

1. **Quench detection (Quench Server)**
   - Look for sudden drop in Loaded-Q at end of rf pulse
   - Inhibit subsequent pulses

2. **Over-voltage protection during rf pulse (Gradient Limiter)**
   - Gradient Limit alarm threshold for each cavity
   - Terminate rf pulse as soon any cavity exceeds its threshold

3. **Over-voltage soft-limiter during rf pulse (Gradient ‘Pre-limiter’)**
   - Gradient Pre-limit threshold for each cavity
   - Dynamically ramp down the VS setpoint if any cavity reaches its threshold
Gradient pre-limiter

- Dynamically ramp down the VS setpoint if any cavity reaches its gradient ‘pre-limiter’ threshold
  - Implemented on ACC6 just before the start of the 9mA studies
  - It works beautifully!

Vector Sum setpoint and readback

Without pre-limiter

Action of pre-limiter to keep cavity gradient below specified limit
Gradient pre-limiter operation

Vector Sum setpoint is dynamically ramped down as long as any cavity gradient is above its pre-limit threshold.

Analysis timeframe: 26-02-2012 17:00-17:02
Automated ramp-up to full current by extending length of bunch-train

How to ramp up from zero to full current/pulse length with gradients at their limits?

• Without quenching cavities

Option One: start with maximum current but short bunch train

• Correct QLs to achieve flat gradients with short bunch train
• Progressively increase length of bunch train
• Ideally, there would be no corrections to QLs needed

Option Two: start with full bunch train, but low charge

• Correct QLs to achieve flat gradients with the lower charge
• Progressively increase charge
• Continue to adjust QLs to maintain flat gradients as charge is increased
Automated ramp-up to full current by extending length of bunch-train

Gradient flat-tops for each cavity

400us

500us

700us

Study of Method One: start with maximum current but short bunch train
- Iterative algorithm used to correct gradient flat-tops with 400us bunch train
- Increased number of bunches in steps
- Minimal changes required to QLs when number of pulses was increased
- Used gradient pre-limiter to keep gradients below thresholds for beam off period – it worked beautifully!

Bottom line: Method One works!!

By the way, Method Two also works
- Gradient Pre-limiter is the key
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• **Studies highlights**
  – Operated full beam current within ~7% of klystron saturation
  – Flattened individual gradients to <<1% peak-peak and 4.5mA/800us operation within 5% of quench
  – ‘Crash test’: 800us/4.5mA -> beam off -> 800us/4.5mA
  – Ramped up current from ~zero to 4.5mA with ACC67 gradients approaching quench
  – Operated machine into quench with 800us / 4.5mA
  – ‘Cavity gradient limiter’ for dynamically preventing quench
A few lessons

- **Lessons**
  
  - Loaded-Q server worked well - we also need some changes
  - Various servers and control functions fight each other during recovery (detuning, loaded-Q, gradient flattening,…)
  - Were able to recover, but also failed a few times because we did things in the wrong order
Thank you for your attention
QLs gradient spread vs fill-time

\[ Q_L \times 10^6 \]

\[ I_{beam} = 9mA \]

38 MV/m (+20%)
31.5 MV/m
25 MV/m (-20%)

With full \( P_{for} \) – \( Q_L \) control solutions for different currents can be found.

For FLASH, power distribution on ACC6-7 is fixed (no individual \( P_{for} \) control). However solutions can still be found for a limited range of currents (<6mA).
Vector sum stability

Same time period as cavity stability plots
100 pulses averaged per time step
error bar = ±1σ

Same data as LH plot.
rms / mean (over 100 pulses) in %
Quench limit study: limitations

- FF is scaled with set point for 16 cavities vector sum, while this approach uses 1 cavity vector sum
  → extreme proportional gains are required, Kp = 1000

- FLASH waveguide system is not conditioned for quenches
  → nominal waveguide power is 5 MW
  → a high gradient cavity quench might require 7-8 MW
  → might generates coupler and waveguide sparks
Quench limit study: limitations

- FLASH LLRF system is not calibrated for quench threshold identification
  → DAC saturation, ADC saturation

- Running in FB around a single cavity can generate a maximum power request to the klystron
  → FB is useful to maintain flat gradient and compensate for LFD
  → if quench not detected immediately, LLRF request can be max klystron power for next pulse (should always be avoided)

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Cryo flow during mombo quench event

Cryo flow at Valve #1 during quench event

Quench

Time of day

Cryo flow (mg/s)