# ILC HiGrade WP7 Couplers R&D

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# **Coupler Digest**

- Accelerator component used to feed RF power (1 MW) into the superconducting cavity
- Conflicting requirements(must transmit MW of electrical power and at the same time, be thermally isolant (warm « head »-cold « feet »)) leads to a very complex mechanical object
  - Lesson learned : no industry can do it right the first time!
- A good design is in hand (TTF3) but still costly (30 k€ a piece for small quantities: would mean 600 M€ for the ILC linac!) and lenghty RF processing



#### X-FEL coupler









### **Conditioning tests**



Use of the original conditioning procedure 100 90 ■1300 µs New vacuum 📕 800 µs Conditioning time (h) 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 parameters ■ 400 µs New 🗆 200 µs monitoring 🗌 100 µs loop speed 🔳 50 µs New 🗖 20 µs repetition 20 10 0 Hassen JENHANI All these couplers are in-situ baked **Coupler Pairs** jenhani@lal.in2p3.fr **Optimisation of the TTF-III conditioning procedure** 

## Further optimisation still possible:

✓ Less conditioning steps

✓ New configuration : 2
coupler pairs conditioned at
the same time (parallel or
series)

✓ Elimination of the coupler baking procedure (under vacuum) in the clean room

## WP7 in a nutshell

- Coupler cost and RF conditionning optimization
- Production and conditionning of 24 couplers
- Strong synergy with XFEL coupler production preparation
- 54 PM
- 1.4 M€ RTD budget
- 2 Deliverables : RF conditionning (M24), Couplers delivery (M36)



# Present R&D program

- Faster processing
  - RF sweeping strategy
  - 4 at a time (or more..)
- Integrate pumping to reduce processing time
- Minor design changes to reduce cost
- New geometries





## R&D 2:

## RF conditioning configuration for two coupler pairs



# **R&D on coupler RF Windows:** The sputtering machine at LAL









## **R&D on coupler RF Windows:** TiN layer studies

#### At LAL

 $\checkmark$  Profilometer : surface roughness measurements (sample with & without TiN deposition layer)

✓ Scanning Electron Microscope + Energy Dispersive X-ray Spectrometer (SEM/EDX) : morphology, thickness estimation, cartography & the sample chemical composition.

 $\checkmark$  Dielectric characterization: RF losses measurements using a cavity resonator (tg  $\delta$ ).

✓ Multipacting measurements: DESY design multipacting resonator (under study : new RF coupling and vacuum pumping port)

✓ Diffractometer (already ordered): thickness estimation of the deposit layer & stoichiometry determination.

#### Outside:

✓ RBS & SIMS : Elementary analysis of the deposed TiN (surface and bulk).

•All the different parts of the NEG couplers are ready for low level anf HF tests.



## **R&D on coupler prototypes:** TTFV & TW60



## Industrialization; Cost reduction Example: big flange on vacuum vessel

Big flange for TTF3: 12mm thick plate, 3.8 kg

Results of industrial studies show that this flange is the most expensive machined part of the coupler !



Study done by Sandry Wallon (LAL)

FE analysis shows that a 6 mm stainless steel plate can do the job with a safety factor of 3:

Stress:  $\sigma_{VMmax} = 90 \text{ Mpa}$ Displacement:  $\Delta x = 0.1 \text{ mm}$  for  $\Delta P = 1 \text{ bar}$ 

Able to withstand  $\Delta P = 3$  bar

 $\rightarrow$  This helps to decrease the amount of raw material, and coupler cost !



# Some examples of cost reduction thru industrial redesign

Example of systems engineering result



Prototype design



Industrial design





<u>Design to minimize assembly time</u> (original design: counter flanges + 14 screws



#### Waveguide to coax interface part



Copper + stainless steel + brass: <u>13 parts</u> brazed and soldered



Al alloy: <u>1 single part</u> - Prototypes: machined from single block - Mass production: casting + final machining



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Cost reduction was one of the main objectives :

Phase 1: functional analysis of existing design Functions & requirements for each sub-assembly, each part Analysis of requirements for each interface Functionality of global breakdown:

- analyze limits of each sub-assembly
- what are the purposes of this design?

#### Phase 2: systems engineering

- reduce number of parts
- reduce number of junctions
- reduce number of different junctions, types of junctions

#### Phase 3: design for manufacturability

analysis of manufacturing method for each part:

- prefer deformation process instead of material removal process
- optimize design of parts connected to interfaces (functional analysis results)

#### Phase 4: lean manufacturing methods

- optimise the design in terms of functions
- analyse bar chart of components costs:
  - concentrate efforts of cost reduction on most expensive components
- think about production with less of everything:
  - . less human resources, less specific competences
  - . less manufacturing equipments and space
  - . less raw material, less tooling & jigs
  - . less stock, less spares, less energy, less waste

#### Phase 5: analysis of final assembly

- decompose assembly operations in successive sequences
- what are the consequences of assembly on each component ?
- what parts could be simplified ?
- how to save manpower and assembly time ?



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Total raw material cost ~ 20 %

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## Schedule synergy with XFEL



# Conclusion

- ILC HiGrade coupler program very important for ILC : cost and RF processing have to be reduced
- Strong synergy with XFEL program at LAL
- Intense R&D program presently on going on several fronts
- ILC HiGrade off to a good start!

