R&D Cavity Testing and ILC Cavity Fabrication at Jlab

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- Recent Single cell results with large grain niobium from CBMM, Heraeus, Ningxia
- Results from an investigation of influence of grain size on cavity performance
- Results from T-mapping tests with an anodized cavity to investigate "Q-drop"
- Status of 9-cell cavity fabrication

Evaluation of material from different vendors

Manufacturer	Ta Contents	RRR
CBMM	~800 ppm	~ 280
W.C.Heraeus	< 500 ppm	500
Ningxia	< 100 ppm	330

Fabrication and Treatment

Fabrication

- Standard deep drawing after cutting of sheets (wire EDM/CBMM, saw cut/Ningxia, diamond saw/Heraeus)
- Machining
- Welding of beam pipes to half cell
- Mechanical grinding
- Equator weld

Surface Treatment

- $\sim 50 \text{ micron bcp}$
- Hydrogen degassing at 600C for 10 hrs
- ~ 50 micron bcp, Test #1
- 12 hrs "in situ" baking at 120C for 12 hrs, Test #2
- 1200 C, 3 hrs post-purification with Ti
- ~ 50 micron bcp, Test #3
- 12 hrs "in situ" baking at 120C for 12 hrs,Test #4

Ningxia Large Grain Nb

Large Grain TESLA Cavity Shape SC, Chinese Nb



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W.C.Heraeus Large Grain Nb

Large Grain TESLA Cavity Shape SC, WC_Heraeus Nb



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CBMM Large Grain Ingot"D"

Large Grain TESLA Cavity Shape SC#2, Ingot"D"



Summary(1)

Large Grain TESLA Single Cell Results



Summary (2)

- Materials with different properties (RRR,Ta..) and prepared by different cutting methods behaved very similar after BCP only
- It is not clear yet, what the important features for best performance are
- There is a significant price difference in the different materials
- We are going to fabricate 5 single cell cavities each from Ningxia and W.C.Heraeus material to get some statistics
- These materials have been ordered
- The 9-cell cavities for FNAL are being fabricated from CBMM large grain niobium

Multi-Cells

- We have fabricated a 7-cell ILC_LL shape cavity without stiffening rings
- We encountered difficulties in room temperature tuning and could tune the cavity to only ~ 75% of field flatness



- Initial tests gave gradients of ~ 20 MV/m (flat profile assumed), limited by rf power
- Stiffening rings are added to the structure
- A 7-cell HG cavity was fabricated from CBMM ingot"B" and is being evaluated. In initial test insufficient material was removed after fabrication and performance was mediocre.

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Grain Size Dependence

- There has been a suspicion for some time that grain boundaries can contribute to performance limitations in niobium cavities
- We fabricated 4 single cell cavities of the TESLA shape scaled to 2.2 GHz
 - Single crystal from CBMM material (Ta 800 ppm, RRR~280)
 - Poly-crystalline from standard Wah Chang niobium (Ta < 500 ppm,RRR>300)
 - Two large grain (grain size ~ cm²) cavities from Wah Chang ingottop and bottom (Ta < 500 ppm,RRR>300)
- All cavities were tested before and after post-purification and before and after "in-situ" baking. Only BCP was applied

Cavity shape: HG scaled to 2.26 GHz

 $E_{peak}/E_{acc} = 1.674$

 $B_{peak}/E_{acc} = 4.286 \text{ mT/(MV/m)}$

G = 270 Ω





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Conclusions

- No clear dependence of cavity performance to grain size was observed before post-purification
- After post-purification, the single crystal cavity clearly achieved the best performance
- The 2 large grain cavities behaved very consistently with each other but
 - R_{res} was higher than typically observed on other large grain cavities
 - they did not achieve higher fields than the fine grain one
- Baking works best in recovering from Q-drop in large grain/single crystal cavities treated by BCP than for fine grain ones
- It is not clear yet, which property of the material is important for best performance (grain size, impurity content, RRR...

Anodizing Tests: Understanding the "Q-drop"

- Initial report about such tests with a large grain cavity from Chinese niobium given at Frascati meeting:
 - "Q-drop" free Q vs E_{acc} performance (BCP only) turned into Q-drop after anodization of ~ 40 nm
 - Recovery from Q-drop after "in-situ" baking for 12 hrs at 120C
 - This behaviour was reproducible
 - Material parameters such as Δ/kT_{c} and mean free path as well as residual resistance were changing with treatment
- This test series was repeated with T-mapping on the same cavity

Experimental setup



16 x 36 Carbon-resistors Allen-Bradley, 100Ω -1/8W



- Cavity made from Ningxia (RRR~330, Ta content \leq 100 ppm), Nb sheets were saw-cut from the ingot
- Cavity shape: OC CEBAF, 1.476 GHz

Before Anodization







Conclusion

- Q-drop and "hot spots" can be generated and eliminated by anodization and "in situ" baking
- There is strong evidence that oxygen diffusion is involved in the Q-drop phenomenon
- The question then is:

Can one generate a single "hot spot" by generating an area on a cavity surface with increased oxygen concentration?

And if so, can this "hot spot" be eliminated/reduced by "in situ" baking?

"Hot Spot" ?

A concentrated water jet generates an oxidized area on niobium Large Grain TESLA Cavity Shape SC#2, Ingot"D"



ILC Cavity Fabrication (MOU with FNAL)

- Fabricate and test a prototype TESLA cavity from polycrystalline RRR niobium
- Fabricate 2 modified TESLA/ILC 9-cell cavities from large grain niobium with shorter beam pipe and possibly modified HOM couplers (tests on a single cell with a modified HOM coupler showed improved thermal stability)

<u>Status</u>

- Dumbbells for all 3 cavities have been welded
- "Grooving" for stiffening rings will start this week
- Flanges (beam line, HOM, FPC, field probe) are completed
- HOM coupling loops are completed
- Other parts (He vessel end dish and end disc flange) are in fabrication and aluminum models have been completed
- Beam pipes have been rolled, welded and nipples have been pulled
- A deep drawing die for back extrusion of HOM cans will be completed and tried out next week.

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Modified HOM Coupler Tests





Modified HOM Coupler Tests

CEBAF Single cell cavity with HOM couplers $Q_0 vs. E_{acc}$



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ILC Cavity Fabrication:Large Grain Dumbbells



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HOM Coupler Loops



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He-vessel end dishes/End disc flange



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Flanges



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HOM Can Deep Drawing Die



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