Jefferson Laboratory

LDRD Project Data Sheet

Fiscal Year 2017

1. Project Title: Generation and Characterization of Magnetized Bunched Electron Beam from DC Photogun for JLEIC Cooler

2. Project Identifier: PROJ: **LD1702;** PROJ ID: **000001.18.0P.001.003.003.08;** B&R: **LDRD**

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6. Project Start Date: 10/01/2016

7. Expected Project Completion Date: 09/30/2017

8. Type of Work: (basic research, applied research, or development) Basis Research

a. *Basic=* the systematic study directed toward fuller knowledge or understanding of the fundamental aspects of phenomena and of observable facts without specific applications towards processes or products in mind.

b. *Applied=* the systematic study to gain knowledge or understanding necessary to determine the means by which a recognized and specific need may be met.

c. *Development=* the systematic application of knowledge or understanding, directed toward the production of useful materials, devices, and systems or methods, including design, development and improvement of prototypes and new processes to meet specific requirements.

9. Project Description: Include a short description of the project and an explanation of the cutting edge, high-risk, high-potential science or engineering.

To achieve the required luminosity at Jefferson Lab Electron Ion Collider (JLEIC), ion beams must be cooled. In general, this is accomplished when an electron beam co-propagates with an ion beam moving at the same average velocity, but different temperatures, where the energy of chaotic motion of the ion beam is transferred to the cold electron beam. The cooling rate can be improved by about two orders of magnitude if the process occurs inside a solenoidal field that forces the electrons to follow small helical trajectories thereby increasing the interaction time with ions and improving the cooling efficiency. This cyclotron motion also provides suppression of electron-ion recombination. Cooling rates with magnetized electron beam are ultimately determined by electron longitudinal energy spread rather than the electron beam transverse emittance as the transverse motion of the electrons is quenched by the magnetic field.

The envisioned JLEIC magnetized cooler is part of the Collider ring and aims to counteract ion emittance degradation induced by intra-beam scattering, to maintain ion emittance during collisions and extend the luminosity lifetime. To implement cooling at relatively high energy (electron beam energy 55 MeV), the electron beam must be bunched and accelerated in an SRF linac. The JLEIC cooling solenoid is 30 m long providing a 2 T field. Two requirements on the electron beam with noteworthy challenges are related to bunch charge and average current, 420 pC and 200 mA, respectively.

One challenge associated with implementing cooling inside the long solenoid of the Collider, is the fringe field immediately upstream of the cooling solenoid. The field lines outside the solenoid magnet introduce very large beam rotation. The ill-effects of this fringe field could be cancelled if the electron beam was born in a similar field, but producing beam rotation in the opposite direction, such that the two cancel.

Although, electron cooling with DC electron beams at low energy has been implemented at many labs, no one has yet demonstrated electron cooling with bunched electron beams, or magnetized cooling. Fermi Lab successfully demonstrated non-magnetized relativistic DC cooling at high energy (4.3 MeV). For Low Energy RHIC Electron Cooling non-magnetized bunched electron beam will be used and eRHIC is planning to use Coherent Electron Cooling.

We plan to demonstrate experimentally many aspects of the magnetized bunched electron beam for the JLEIC cooler, with the notable exception of 200 mA average beam current (limited by the in-house high voltage supplies to 32 mA):

1. Demonstrate 32 mA magnetized beam
2. Quantify any difference in lifetime of K2CsSb photocathode between magnetized and non-magnetized beam
3. Measure magnetization for a variety of charge, bunch dimensions and solenoid strength guided by JLEIC specifications.
4. Quantify the quality of round-to-flat beam transform for a variety of charge, bunch dimensions and solenoid strength.
5. Demonstrate reliable simulation tools and methods.
6. Improve experimental techniques with new machine operation interface.

10. Tie to Mission: Explain the project's relevance or anticipated benefits to DOE's national security missions (energy resources, nuclear security, environmental quality, and science), and to the extent required by law, the mission of other federal agencies.

The goal of this project is to generate a magnetized beam and measure its properties. The impact of the cathode solenoid on the operation of the photogun will be explored. The planned simulations and measurements will provide insights on ways to optimize the JLEIC electron cooler, and help us design the appropriate electron source.

The anticipated benefits are:

1. Jefferson Laboratory will have direct experience magnetizing a high current electron beam.
2. We will learn how the applied magnetic field influences the photocathode lifetime.
3. We will learn about challenges associated with round-to-flat beam transformations at high bunch charge.
4. We will benchmark our simulation tools in this new space-charge dominated, magnetized regime.

11. Prior FY Accomplishments and Results: (if applicable)

We started with an empty room and built a photogun, an alkali-antimonide photocathode preparation chamber and a diagnostic beamline. The gun was HV conditioned and we made 1 mA non-magnetized beam at 300 kV. The cathode solenoid magnet was designed, procured, mapped and installed in the front of the gun chamber. The magnet is powered by the new CEBAF spare dogleg supply (500A, 80V). The field at the cathode is 1.4 kG when using the standard molybdenum puck. A carbon steel puck and molybdenum and carbon steel hybrid puck were designed to enhance field at cathode to 2.0 kG. We made four new pucks – two steel and two hybrid pucks. The solenoid field was also mapped with these new pucks positioned at the location of the photocathode.

Simulations of the magnetized beam have been used to determine the beamline layout, the design of the emittance and magnetization measurement diagnostics and the concept of a round to flat transformer.

12. Work Proposed for the Current FY and Anticipated /Desired Results:

The electron beam parameters from the injector required to meet the JLEIC cooling specification are unique. Producing low energy, magnetized beam that is space charge dominated has not been previously investigated in depth by the accelerator community. Simulation of different operating scenarios of bunch charge, magnetization and bunch shape will be benchmarked against measurements of emittance and other beam parameters. As the beams will be space charge dominated, there will be some limit to the aspect ratio that can be achieved with the round-to-flat beam transform. Simulation will allow us to quantify how good or complete this can be made for different settings. These results will guide the design of the JLEIC injector in the future.

For the current FY17, the proposed work and anticipated results are:

1. Upgrade preparation chamber to enable K2CsSb activation with a mask – limit photocathode active area to reduce beam halo – to be able to deliver 5 mA beam current to the dump
2. Load new pucks into preparation chamber
3. Upgrade HV chamber with new doped ceramic insulator and newly designed HV shed to be able to run at 350 kV
4. Upgrade beamline and install slits and a Faraday Cup
5. Generate magnetized beam
6. Measure mechanical angular momentum vs magnetization and laser size
7. Benchmark simulation against measurements
8. Measure mechanical angular momentum vs bunch charge and bunch length
9. Benchmark simulation against measurements
10. Generate very high currents magnetized beam and study beam transport vs electron bunch charge
11. Measure photocathode lifetime vs magnetization at 5 mA and 350 kV
12. Study beam halo and beam loss vs magnetization

13. Project Funding Profile (burdened):

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| Fiscal Year Request | Amount ($) |
| FY1 Budget (FY16) | $339,211 |
| Current FY Budget Request (FY17) | $265,850 |
| FY3 Projected Budget (FY18) | $212,025 |
| Total Estimated Budget | $817,086 |