

Vacuum Science and Technology for Particle Accelerators

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- Make up for transverse offsets in beamline hardware, and minor misalignments
- Provide installation personnel with sufficient flexibility to install hardware.
- □ Reduce stresses on adjacent vacuum joints.
- Provide adequate expansion and/or contraction ability during thermal cycles.
- Provide required movements for functioning instruments, such as beam profile viewers.









- Bellows free length
- Bellows maximum extended length
- Bellows minimum compressed length
- Bellows maximum transverse offset
- Maximum number of cycles
- Bellows end configurations







Types of Flexible Bellows

Edge-Welded

- Very flexible, both axial and transverse
- Very long stroke available
- Non-circular cross section available
- User-configurable, from most vendors
- Higher cost
- Need mechanical and corrosion protections





Hydro-formed

- > More robust, comparing to welded
- Lower cost
- Usually good transverse flexibility
- Not good for long stroke application







RF-Shielded Sliding Joint in CESR





In storage rings (or accelerators with intense short bunched beams), bellows MUST be shielded from the beam. Otherwise, wake-field will be excited in the cavities to:

- \rightarrow Cause damage to the bellows
- \rightarrow Induce negative effects to the beam.





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Sliding Joint in CESR – Parts



~120 used in CESR, each provide 1.75" Stroke

Two sliding oval-shaped tubes, made of 6061-T6 aluminum, and Be-Cu RF fingers. One with hard coating, one with silver coating.





Friction bonded pans enable transitions between aluminum to stainless steel bellows











- Though with the RF-contact shielding the bellows, the steps in the CESR sliding joints forms a RF cavities.
- We have observed resonant RF excitation in the cavities, and cause significant heating some particular opening.
- Most modern designs of RF-shielded bellows have much smoother transitions, to reduce RF-impedance.







RF-Shielded Sliding Joint of PEP II











RF-Shielded Sliding Joint of KEK Style















RF-Shielded Beam Viewer for Cornell ERL/CBETA













- All-metal Gate Valves
- All-metal Angle Valves
- RF All-metal Gate Valves
- Fast Closing Valves





UHV Gate Valves





- valve seat side
- 1 valve gate
- 2 counter plate
- 3 leaf springs
- 4 ball pairs
- 5 detents
- 6 gate seal
- 7 spring stop
- > All-metal UHV valves only available from VAT Valves \succ ID from 35-mm to 320-mm



- > Gate valves with metal bonnet seals and elastomer flap seals are more available.
- > For general UHV system, this is an low-cost alternative.
- \succ ID from 35-mm to 320-mm







RF Shielded All-metal Gate Valves

- > Used as sectoring vacuum sections in large accelerator vacuum system.
- > Pneumatic actuated, allowing vacuum system interlocking.
- > 316L stainless steel body with elastically deformed metal seals
- > RF trailer deploys at open position.
- > Max. operating temperature 200°C
- > Bellows sealed, allowing 100,000 cycles











ALL METAL RF SECTOR VALVES - DEVELOPMENT AND POSSIBILITIES

KURT SONDEREGGER - GENERAL MANAGER ALL-METAL VALVES

27.OCTOBER 2016



VAT gate valve shapes

RF valves

- At the beginning the RF contacts were made with single RF fingers
 - Difficult in assembly
 - No uniform bending around the circumference
- Then all the valves were changed to RF bands
 - No slots in straight sections
 - Uniform bending
 - Easy assembly and clamping for best repeatability







Comb type RF valves

- Based on the comments of Spring 8 we expected, that this is not a solution for synchrotrons
- However it will be a solution for powerful basic research accelerators
- Then NSRRC (TW) tested two prototypes and decided to go with the comb type RF valves for their new 3-GeV light source – the Taiwan Photon Source (TPS)



Fast Close and Beam Stop Valves





- Closing time: < 10-ms after trigger</p>
- Usually used on X-ray beamlines
- Need reliable and fast vacuum gauges at engineered distance from the valve, to provide sensible valve closing trigger.
- Most firings are false trigging !!

Beam Stop for X-ray beamlines



P_{max}: 5 kW Max. Power density: 25 W/mm²



Body; 2. Copper Plate
bellows; 4. Water cooling





Particle Generation While Actuating Gate Valves



MDC Valve







All-metal Angle Valves





- All-metal Easy-Close angle valves, no torque wrench needed.
- Best in dust-free environment





- All-metal angle valves with copper gasket seals. More robust.
- More sealing cycles with increasing torque



Used for roughing, purging and venting vacuum systems









Variable Leak Valves

- A variable leak value is used for vacuum equipment that need to control the amount of gas introduction.
- ✤It enables the gas introduction of remarkably small amount; minimum controllable leakage is less than 1 ×10⁻⁹ torr·L/sec.
- Additionally, it is all-metal and can be baked up to 450°C, making it ideal for ultra-high vacuum equipment.
- The seal surface is fragile, so one must NOT close the valve too fast.









Electrical Feedthroughs

- · Coaxial
- · Power
- · High Current
- High Voltage
- Breaks •
- · RF Power









Instrumentation Feedthroughs



Multi-pin feedthroughs





Sub-D feedthroughs



Thermocouple feedthroughs









Linear Motion & Multi-motion Feedthroughs

- The class of feedthroughs span from simple "push-pull" to precision units.
- Manual, motorized, and pneumatic action.
- UHV compatible
- Linear travel ranges from $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 6".
- Magnetic coupled translator for over 48" travel. For very long translators, 'dead-end' pumping may be required for some UHV applications.
- Multi-axis stages







Rotary Motion Feedthroughs

- · Manual or motorized actuation.
- UHV compatible
- Torque to 50 oz-in
- Speeds to 50 rpm



Magnetic Coupled





Bellows Coupled ("Cat's Tail")







These components must maximize conductance to the pump, while minimizing detrimental effects on the beam.

- To connect the beam space to the vacuum pumps, opening have to be made between the beampipe wall and the pump port.
- The most common openings are in the form of slots along the beam direction, as illustrated here.
- Beam bunches passing by the slots radiates RF power, contributing RF impedances.
- The losses from the pumping slots should be checked to within the allowed impedance 'budget'.









For a single slot on a round beam pipe, the loss factor (in unit of V/pC) is:

$$k = 1.24 \times 10^{-3} \frac{n_b}{\sigma_b^5} \cdot \frac{l_{slot}^2 \cdot w_{slot}^4}{r_{pipe}^2}$$

- n_b is the number of bunches
- σ_b is the beam bunch length in mm
- I_{slot} and w_{slot} are the length and width in mm of the slot, respectively,
- r_{pipe} is the inner radius of the beam pipe
- > RF loss at a slot is severer for very short bunches
- Long, narrow slots are the better 'compromise' between RF loss and gas conductance







PEP-II Pump Tee













RF 'Cavities' in Flange Joints

- Making beamline flange joints using regular Cu gaskets may form RF cavities, particularly when the beam aperture differs significantly from the flange cross shape.
- Measures must be taken to bridge the gap to form a smooth bore beamline.
- □ Some of the methods are:
 - ✓ *RF insert with spring fingers*
 - ✓ Gap rings
 - ✓ Zero-gap gaskets, similar to VATSEALs









RF Insert at Flange Joints











Be-Cu RF Finger strip brazed onto Cu RF insert, to bridge the flange gap, on the vacuum side of the vacuum gasket.















Canted Coil Spring at Flange Joints (NSLS-II/CHESS-U)













Flange design with minimized 'cavity'













Zero-Impedance Flange Joints









Bad Thing Happens with Bad RF Contacts



A Vertical Scraper at CESR









Bad Thing Happens w/ Bad RF Termination





Damaged SMA, resulting from a shorting SMA cap



A Stripline BPM on 5-mm Undulator at CESR







Ceramic Beampipes

- Almost all storage rings have ceramic beampipes, as parts of fast magnets for beam injection and feedback control systems.
- The ceramic body usually made of alumina, and jointed to metal flanges via vacuum braze. A strong-back structure is normally used to support the ceramics.
- Thin metallic coating is deposited on the inner surface of the ceramics, to provide conductive pass for image current. The coating is usually slightly thicker than the corresponding skin-depth, but thin enough to allow external field penetrate through.



A CESR ceramic pipe mounted on strong-back frame, with flexible ends









A Typical X-Ray Beamline Front-End









X-Ray Beamline Front-End – Typical Components



- Crotch Provide safe separation of X-ray beam from the accelerator vacuum system. For high beam current storage rings, part of the crotch experience high density of SR power.
- 2. Beam stoppers (or shutters) Provide safe isolation between the X-ray beamline from the accelerator vacuum system. Multiple stoppers for redundancy.
- 3. X-ray windows (Be windows) and low-E filters
- 4. Fast-closing gate valves with vacuum triggering system
- 5. For windowless X-ray beamlines, adequate vacuum delay lines with differential pumping.



