Target material tests with the electron beam at the microtron in Mainz

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Introduction / Motivation

- Encouraging results for Ti and Ti alloys for KEKB. No tests to long-term cyclic load
- Idea to expose to high cyclic load the material for the ILC components
- Tests using injector of MAMI
- Ti alloy for the positron conversion target high cyclic load
- What target thickness is better?



Mainz Microtron



Mainz Microtron

The Mainz Microtron (MAMI) is an accelerator for electron beams run by the Institute for Nuclear Physics of the University of Mainz used for hadron physics experiments

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cw e<sup>-</sup> beams > 20 \muA (polarized) or up to 100 \muA (unpolarized)
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In our tests:

14 MeV e⁻, 10 μ A average beam current, Gaussian beam 200 μ m rms radius







Collaborators in Mainz

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Material for the tests



Assembly with the targets

Material of targets:

Grade 5 Ti – Ti6Al4V

Target	#1	#2	#3
Thickness	1 mm	1 mm	2 mm
Surface	Rough	Rough	Smooth
Fixation	Not fixed	Fixed	Fixed
Cooling	Radiation	Radiation + contact to the holder	Radiation

Diagnostics: temperature and current measurement for target #1



#1

#2

#3



Front view to the target assembly

Side view to the target assembly



Targets





Rough surface, produced by erosion process from a thicker bar



Target #3

"Smooth" surface, milled



Program



Target	Hit point	Regime	Beam time	Load cycles	Years of ILC operation*
#1	1	100 Hz, 2 ms, 10 μA average	18 h 28 min	6.82·10 ⁶	2.46
#1	2	67 Hz, 3 ms, 10 μA average	5h 4 min	$1.24 \cdot 10^{6}$	0.45
#2	1	67 Hz, 3 ms, 10 μA average	5h 4 min	$1.24 \cdot 10^{6}$	0.45
#3	1	100 Hz, 2 ms, 10 μA average	14 h 22 min	5.17·10 ⁶	1.87

*1 year of ILC operation: 5000 h, 5 Hz, each point is irradiated every 6.5 s



Simulations results



GEANT4 and FLUKA simulations, targets #1 & #2



Number e^{-} per bunch = $2.55 \cdot 10^{5}$

Number of bunches per pulse = $4.9 \cdot 10^6 (2 \text{ ms})$ or $7.35 \cdot 10^6 (3 \text{ ms})$

* GEANT4.10.02, physics list FTFP_BERT



Simulation, target #3

XZ @ Y=0



 $PEDD = 4.74 \text{ GeV}/(e^{-} \text{ cm}^{3}) = 4.37 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ J}/(g \cdot \text{bunch}) (FLUKA)$

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ANSYS simulation, target #1

Target	#1	
Thickness	1 mm	
Surface	Rough	
Fixation	Not fixed	
Cooling	Radiation	

Neglect low thermal conductivity to the holder via ceramics etc Consider cooling by radiation from the surface only





Max. average $T = 691 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

Max. T rise / pulse (@ 700 °C) = 82 °C

Max. T in target #1: 691 + 82 °C

- * Here and later:
- Ambient $T = 22 \degree C$
- Ti6Al4V properties according to

K.C. Mills, 2002, Recommended Values of Thermophysical Properties For Selected Commercial Alloys, p. 217, as referenced by J. Yang



ANSYS simulation, target #3

Target	#3	
Thickness	2 mm	
Surface	Smooth	
Fixation	Fixed	
Cooling	Radiation	

Neglect thermal conductivity to the holder via ceramics and fixation screws

Consider cooling by radiation from the surface only





 $\varepsilon = 0.5$

Max. average T = 787 °C

Max. T rise / pulse (@ 760 °C) = 88 °C

Max. T in target #3: 787 + 88 °C

Although, if $\varepsilon = 0.1$:

Max. average T = $1105 \circ C$



Material after the tests



Targets after testbeam



Holder with targets, entrance side

Irradiation spots



Holder with targets, exit side



Target #1, entrance side, surface investigation

Surface investigation with 3D laser scan microscope VK-X100/X200 series





Before

After

Color change observed, no major changes to the surface



Target #1, entrance side, surface investigation

300,0 µm

250,0

200,0

150,0

100,0

50,0

³μm



Before



Flat surface observed before and after irradiation, no major changes



4000.0

Target #1, exit side, surface investigation



Before

After

Color change observed, no major changes to the surface



Target #1, exit side, surface investigation



Flat surface observed before and after irradiation, no major changes



Target #3, surface investigation, entrance side





Before

After

Beam spot clearly seen, major changes



Target #3, surface investigation, entrance side



Before





Flat surface observed before irradiation

Plastic deformation after irradiation, 1 peak and 2 deeps observed in the beam spot: $\sim 35 \ \mu m$ from the bottom of the deep to the top of the peak





Target #3, entrance side



Surface of target #3

Surface of a Ti6Al4V plate heated by laser beam *

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Heated up to 1660 °C?

* J. Yang et al., Journal of Materials Processing Technology 210 (2010) 2215-2222



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1660°C

Target #3, surface investigation, exit side



Plastic deformation after irradiation, 1 peak observed in the beam spot: $\sim 25~\mu m$ from the surrounding to the top of the peak



Target #3, SEM image (Yegor Tamashevich)





Target #3, SEM image (Yegor Tamashevich)



Surface outside beam spot



Point 1 – Beam spot area Point 2 – Un-irradiated area

Beam spot area



Ablation and condensation process ?



Summary

- Ti6Al4V targets survived high cyclic load of up to $6.82 \cdot 10^6$ cycles heated to at least 690 °C
- No major damage to the material after the tests at the temperature of at least $690 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Noticeable changes only for the material (plastic deformation, surface change) exposed to the temperatures >780 °C
- Next steps:
 - further tests at 14 MeV
 - tests at 3.5 MeV: material for target & for the dump vacuum window



Thank you for your attention!

