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History of accelerators at the **Ruđer Bošković Institute**



1956. 200 keV neutron generator



1962. Cyclotron (20 MeV deuterons)



1987 Tandem van de Graaff



Accelerator laboratory – today



• 6.0 MV EN Tandem Van de Graaff

- 1963 1984 Rice University, Houston, Texas
- Since 1987 in routine operation in Zagreb
- Two ion sources Alphatros (H, He), sputtering (Li, C, O,....)
- Five beam lines







• Beam lines

- Existing beam lines of EN Tandem accelerator
 - 1. IAEA beam line routine PIXE/RBS
 - 2. TOF ERDA
 - 3. Nuclear reactions chamber
 - 4. High resolution PIXE / ion implant.
 - 5. Nuclear microprobe











1.0 MV Tandetron

- High Voltage Engineering, The Netherlands (funded by Ministry of science of Croatia and IAEA)
- Direct extraction duoplasmatron ion source
- Sputtering ion source (planned for 2006)
- Terminal voltage range 0.1 1.0 MV, high stability, beam currents up to 50 μ A







• 1.0 MV Tandetron



Tandetron beam lines (plans)

- External beam for cultural heritage objects
- New microprobe for heavy ions / low energies
- Two beams chamber for materials modification



1. New developments

- ACCEL6 & ACCEL1 accelerator computer control
- Beam optics calculation
- Calculation of electric field distribution
- SPECTOR data acquisition and sample positioning
- Remote experiments
- New scattering chambers (microprobe and TOF ERDA)



<u>**Computer control**</u> – ACCEL6 for EN Tandem Van de Graaff and ACCEL1 for Tandetron accelerator



Natko Skukan – IRB Dejan Đurđenić - Dilogic

- 16 bit AD/DA modules (8 AD, 8DA) (controls for ion sources, accelerator and beam optics system)

- 8 digital inputs, 8 digital outputs
- Controls are based on TESTPOINT

Capabilities: Remote control (from remote computers) Reads beam optics parameters from previous experiments Calculates changes of parameters for change of energy and/or ion Security interlock system Ruđer Bošković Institute, Zagreb, Croatia



Beam optics calculations –

for ion beam from Tandetron to nuclear microprobe

Marko Karlušić



<u>The Robin Hood method</u> – a novel **numerical method** for **electrostatic problems** based on a non-local charge transfer



P. Lazić, H. Štefančić, H. Abraham Theoretical Physics Division

Article available on line at: http://xxx.lanl.gov/abs/physics/0411192

Solution of electric field and potential with 1.0 MV inside the Tandteron tank



<u>SPECTOR</u> –

Data acquisition /target positioning & beam scanning software



Long distance accelerator experiment – In colaboration with INFN & Universita di Torino



New microprobe scattering chamber

Z. Medunić, M. Jakšić, A. Gajski





TOF ERDA system

Z. Siketić, I. Bogdanović Radović, A. Gajski



2. Research highlights

- Basic research in nuclear and atomic physics
 - Light nuclei nuclear reactions

 (Laboratory for nuclear reactions Đ. Miljanić et al)
 - 2. Inner shell ionisation, chemical effects
 - 3. Elastic scattering of light ions, data base
- Materials science and applications
 - 1. Transport of charge carriers characterisation/modification
 - 2. Analysis of thin films (RBS &ERDA) with nm depth resolution
 - 3. Modification of insulators
- Analytical applications
 - 1. Cultural heritage objects HRZ
 - 2. Technological projects (cement, solar cells)
 - 3. Air polution monitoring
 - 4. Other analytical services



Basic research

Inner shell ionisation – x-ray spectroscopy
 chemical effects in Kβ line of Vanadium







Basic research

Elastic scattering of light ions 2.0 to 6 MeV Li⁷ ion beam on hydrogen





Fig. 2. Energy dependence of the H recoil cross-section (mb/sr) for (a) $\theta = 30^{\circ}$ and (b) $\theta = 45^{\circ}$. (Φ) – present measurements, (\Diamond) – Warters et al. [11]. The solid lines represent the Rutherford cross-sections, and the dotted lines represent fit to the data (Eq. (6)).

Materials science

- Thin film analysis depth profiling for nm depth resolution
 - RBS Rutherford backscattering beam of protons, He, Li, C ions (nm depth resolution with grazing incidence, or TOF system)
 - ERDA IEE system for H only & 3D on nuclear microprobe (O beam)
 - TOF system for other elements (I, Au beam)
 - ion implantation
- Study of Charge Transport properties by Time Resolved and Temperature dependent Ion Beam Induced Charge







• Thin film analysis – IEE ERDA for hydrogen



Study of Charge Transport properties – IBIC technique Lost Charge



Lateral IBIC

- contribution of both charge carriers
- electric field profile

Frontal IBIC

- short range surface dead layers
- long range defects, impurities

Time Resolved IBIC

-200 \ -40 V

0^(mV)

• IBIC analysis of Si pin diodes

• position dependent radiation damage by 4 MeV O ions



Before irradiation

After irradiation

Applications

Routine analysis will be done in future using Tandetron accelerator !

- Nuclear microprobe PIXE analysis for cultural heritage (IAEA TC project)
 - St. Marko church portal restoration (with HRZ)
 - XVII century peinter Master HGG (Hans Georg Geiger) SLO/HR cooperation
 - Chinese porcelain (bilateral project with Beijing)
 - Other objects (alloys, pigments, ceramics, porcelain, etc)







Applications

- Environmental studies PIXE analysis of air particulates
 - for NIST Certified reference materials homogeneity tests for candidate CRMs and intercomparisons
 - Collaboration with Instutute for Medical Research national air quality monitoring program
 - Single particle analysis for source recognition



3. New areas





ion track membrane





pores in Kapton









"Particles, particles, particles."

Thank you!