

# PREACCELERATION OF THE MULTICHARGED IONS WITH THE DIFFERENT A/Z RATIOS IN SINGLE RADIO-FREQUENCY QUADRUPOLE(RFQ) CHANNEL

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## Abstract

The preacceleration of multicharged ions with the different A/Z ratios extracted from electron cyclotron resonance (ECR) sources is discussed in this report. The capture ratio, emittances and current values of multicharged ions may be better if the ions are preaccelerated before their injection into a booster synchrotron. There is a considerable possibility of separate preacceleration of multicharged ions with different A/Z ratios in a single radio-frequency quadrupole (RFQ) channel. The magnitude of the injection energy into RFQ is about a few keV/u whereas the magnitudes of the injection energy into booster or following linac cascade are  $\geq 300$  keV/u. In addition in this paper we discuss the approach of the fast channel parameter optimization technique by using swarm computations and gradient descend for improving the capture ratio. The optimizations aimed at changing the regular part of the RFQ or matching section profile to improve the matching of the arbitrary oriented in phase space input beam.

## 1 Introduction

The purpose of this paper is to study the possibility to use a radio-frequency quadrupole (RFQ) with high operating frequency as a part of a multicharged ion beams compact injector to provide required beam characteristics before the injection of ions into a drift tube linac (DTL) or booster synchrotron. In general the main goal of RFQ design is to minimize emittance on its output. In this purpose it is useful to use a mathematical optimization methods to improve RFQ characteristics.

At present multicharged ions are used for different applications purposes such as implantation, medical radiation therapy, filter manufacturing and researches of nuclear structure. In this last case contemporary heavy ion injectors are complex systems which can include many different elements, for example (Martel, Acosta and et al., 2014): an ECR source, an extracting system, magnetic and electrostatic lenses, an accelerating column, single and multi-harmonic bunchers, a RFQ, superconducting resonators. In the papers (Angert, Dahl, Glatz and et al., 1991; Angert, Dahl, Glatz and et al., 1990) it has been shown that the use of RFQ after low-energy beam transport (LEBT) improves emittance, capture ratio and current value of the ion beams.

Resonators for multicharged ion injector that could accelerate the ions in diapason from hydrogen to uranium and from carbon to uranium were considered in papers (Zhao, Andreev, Doleans and et al., 2004) and (Andreev, Alexeev, Balabin, Karts and Metreveli, 2014) respectively. Naturally, the operating frequencies of these resonators are low (85 and 5 MHz accordingly), and they need a strong additional focusing magnetic field to provide good particle dynamics. But such multipurpose program is nor always necessary.

The use of single accelerator for the preacceleration of two or more ion types provides a cheaper and more compact preaccelerating part of the big accelerating system that produce isotopes of 1-2 MeV/u energy. The successful acceleration of the different types of ions separately in single RFQ channel depends on the ful-

fillment of a few conditions.

1. Initially RFQ channel is designed to accelerate an ion beam with the greatest  $A/Z$  ratio. It is the main particle.
2. Velocities of the ions of different types injected into the RFQ channel must be equal to the RFQ input.
3. To obtain better conditions for the acceleration of other ions (not main) the matching section geometry needs to be optimized (see (Ovsyannikov, Durkin, Ovsyannikov and Svistunov, 2016)) and there should be a possibility to change the intervane voltage depending on the ion type in the determined limits.

In this paper we consider only separate acceleration of different types of ions.

The examples of the proposed modeling system and description of the used codes are given below. The initial data for modeling can be found in (Schlitt and Ratzinger, 1998; Minaev, Ratzinger and Schlitt, 1999; Angert et al., 1991; Angert et al., 1990; Gikal, 2013).

The optimization of the beam characteristics on injector output depends on the optimization of separate parts of an injector; however, to achieve this mathematical control theory is not always suitable. It is rather difficult, for example, for the cases of an ECR source or a stripper.

A simple case is the separate acceleration of the beams  $H^\pm$  and  $D^\pm$  in single accelerating RFQ channel, which includes a plasma source (multicusp or magnetron type) with hydrogen or deuterium working gas, electrostatic LEBT with electromagnetic correctors, RFQ and DTL.

A possible procedure for dynamics optimization in LEBT has been described in the paper (Kozynchenko and Svistunov, 2006). In addition, a possible optimization procedure of dynamics in the RFQ for a mismatched beam is described in ref. (Ovsyannikov, Ovsyannikov and Chung, 2009a), and in ref. (Ovsyannikov et al., 2016), this procedure was generalized for separate acceleration of two beams.

In the case of separate acceleration of  $H^\pm$  and  $D^\pm$  ions from a single source with uses two working gases (hydrogen and deuterium), an electrostatic LEBT has enough control parameters (number and potentials of electrodes for lenses, channel diameter and so on) to obtain the approximate values of  $H^\pm$  and  $D^\pm$  emittances at the RFQ entrance. In the general case, an experimental and a modeling efforts can be proposed and their effects may be analyzed to achieve the required results.

## 2 RFQ optimization and beam dynamics simulations

### 2.1 Main idea and equations

In our previous work (Ovsyannikov, Ovsyannikov, Altsybeyev, Durkin and Papkovich, 2014), we pro-

posed the design of 47.2 MHz RFQ for the acceleration of heavy ions ( $A/Z=20$ ). The optimization of the longitudinal motion of particles for this accelerator was performed using the (Beam dynamics optimization – radio-frequency quadrupole) BDO-RFQ code developed at the Saint-Petersburg State University. The BDO-RFQ code uses a traveling wave approximation of the accelerating field and the gradient descent optimization paradigm for the evaluation of synchronous phase sequence and acceleration efficiency. This approach required analytical representation of some minimized fitness functions.

In this work we use the Design of Accelerators, optimizations and Simulations (DAISI) code for designing the RFQs. For dynamics modeling of the RFQ, the DAISI uses the standard model with a standing-wave approximation (Ovsyannikov et al., 2014; Ovsyannikov et al., 2009a; Ovsyannikov, Ovsyannikov, Vorogushin, Svistunov and Durkin, 2006; Ovsyannikov, Ovsyannikov, Antropov and Kozynchenko, 2005)

$$\frac{d^2z}{d\tau^2} = 2 \frac{qUT}{W_0L} \cos(Kz) \cos(\omega\tau/c + \varphi_0),$$

$$\frac{dS_{11}^{x,y}}{d\tau} = S_{21}^{x,y}, \quad \frac{dS_{21}^{x,y}}{d\tau} = Q_{x,y} S_{11}^{x,y} + S_{22}^{x,y},$$

$$\frac{dS_{22}^{x,y}}{d\tau} = 2Q_{x,y} S_{12}^{x,y},$$

$$Q_x = \left( \frac{qUk}{W_0a^2} + \frac{\pi UT}{W_0L^2} \sin(Kz) \right) \cos(\omega\tau/c + \varphi_0),$$

$$Q_y = \left( -\frac{qUk}{W_0a^2} + \frac{\pi UT}{W_0L^2} \sin(Kz) \right) \cos(\omega\tau/c + \varphi_0).$$

Here  $c$  is the light speed,  $\tau = ct$ ,  $\omega$  is the angular frequency,  $L$  is the cell length,  $a$  is the minimal channel radius,  $U$  is the intervene voltage,  $T$  is the acceleration efficiency,  $W_0$  is the particle rest energy,  $q$  is the particle charge,  $K = \pi/L$ ,  $k = 1 - 4T/\pi$ ,  $\varphi_0$  is the initial phase, the six variables  $S_{11}^{x,y}$ ,  $S_{21}^{x,y}$ ,  $S_{22}^{x,y}$  are the elements of the matrixes  $G^{x,y} = \begin{pmatrix} S_{11}^{x,y} & S_{21}^{x,y} \\ S_{21}^{x,y} & S_{22}^{x,y} \end{pmatrix}$ , which describes the dynamics of the initial transversal distribution ellipses  $G_0^{x,y}$  in the phase planes  $(y, dy/dt)$  and  $(x, dx/dt)$ . Space-charge effects may also be included in this simple models on the optimization stage. However, in our optimization problem, we considered this effect only in the further simulation stages.

To solve the accelerator optimization problem we need to obtain a large set of channel parameters — lengths and modulations of cells except for the preselected intervane voltage and average channel radius. By using some smooth approximations of the dependences of the synchronous phases and the modulations on the cell number allows us to considerably reduce the number of the evaluated parameters (down to 10–20). In this case, the evolutionary optimization algorithms allow us to obtain good solutions within a

reasonable time (dozen of minutes on modern shared-memory computers).

## 2.2 Particle Swarm Optimization

The DAISI uses a combination of evolutionary optimization algorithm (particle swarm method (Kennedy, 1995)) and gradient descent optimization with the numerical gradient calculation. These methods do not require any analytical calculations, but it is fast enough. Later, a set of modifications were made to the particle swarm method, but the classical approach works properly in our case.

The particle swarm method optimizes a problem by iteratively trying to improve a set of problem parameters with regard to a given fitness function (Kennedy, 1995; Tanweer, Auditya, Suresh, N. and N., 2016). It is a good choice for complex optimization problems because of its realization is simple and effective.

The general problem statement of the multi-variable function optimization can be represented in the following way:

$$F(\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow \min_{\mathbf{x} \in U}$$

Here  $F$  is the fitness function,  $\mathbf{x}$  is the vector of the fitness function arguments,  $U$  is the set of allowable  $\mathbf{x}$  values (search-space).

Following the original procedure of the particle swarm method, we have to create a set of algorithm agents called "particles", which move in the search-space  $U$ . Each algorithm agent with the number  $i$  at the  $t^{\text{th}}$  method iteration have the position  $\mathbf{x}_i(t) \in U$ . Therefore, the positions of the agent are associated with the fitness function arguments (optimized parameters).

The agents must move in the search-space  $U$ . Therefore, we have to associate the position increment  $d\mathbf{x}_i(t)$  with the agent with the number  $i$  at the  $t^{\text{th}}$  method iteration.

The main particle swarm algorithm stages are described below (also see the flow chart in Fig. 1).

1. Agents initialization. The initial positions  $\mathbf{x}_i(0)$ ,  $i = \overline{1, \dots, N_a}$  (here  $N_a$  is the total number of agents) of the algorithm agents in the search-space  $U$  are assumed to be random (for example, using the uniform or the normal distribution). The initial positions increments  $d\mathbf{x}_i(0)$ ,  $i = \overline{1, \dots, N_a}$  may be zero.
2. Start of the new  $t^{\text{th}}$  algorithm iteration.
3. Calculation values of the fitness function  $F_i(t) = F(\mathbf{x}_i(t))$ ,  $i = \overline{1, \dots, N_a}$  for each agent.
4. Calculation the best position  $\mathbf{p}_i(t)$  for each agent using the following approach:  $\mathbf{p}_i(t) = \mathbf{x}_i(k_0)$ ,  $k_0 = \underset{k \in [1, t]}{\operatorname{argmin}} F_i(k)$ .
5. Calculation the best position  $\mathbf{g}(t)$  for the the whole swarm using the following approach:  $\mathbf{g}(t) =$

$$\underset{\mathbf{p}_i(t), i \in [1, N_a]}{\operatorname{argmin}} F(\mathbf{p}_i(t)).$$

6. Check the convergence criteria. If the required solution accuracy achieved, the iterations stop.
7. Updating agents positions. It is possible to use the following equation to update the agents positions at the each method iteration:

$$\mathbf{x}_i(t+1) = \mathbf{x}_i(t) + d\mathbf{x}_i(t).$$

8. Updating agents positions increments. The agents positions increments are updated using the following equation

$$d\mathbf{x}_i(t+1) = d\mathbf{x}_i(t) + \varphi_p r_p (\mathbf{p}_i(t) - \mathbf{x}_i(t)) + \varphi_g r_g (\mathbf{g}(t) - \mathbf{x}_i(t)).$$

Here  $\varphi_g$  and  $\varphi_p$  are the predefined weight parameters,  $r_p \in [0, 1]$  and  $r_g \in [0, 1]$  are random numbers.

9. Go to the step 2.

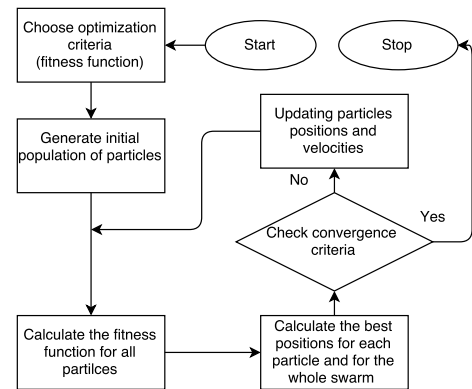


Figure 1. Particle swarm optimization flow chart

## 2.3 Gradient Descent Optimization

After the particle swarm method workflow is done, it is possible to some improve the obtained solution using the gradient descend optimization because of using only the particle swarm method does not guarantee achievement of the local fitness function minimum, but it can provide a good initial approximation of the solution. Therefore the combination of the particle swarm and the gradient descent methods will always work better than each of them separately.

In some cases it is possible to obtain the analytical representation of the fitness-function gradient (see refs. (Ovsyannikov et al., 2005), (Ovsyannikov, Ovsyannikov and Chung, 2009b), (Ovsyannikov et al., 2006)). But the calculation of gradient numerically using the

finite-difference significantly easier and works reasonably well in the most cases. DAISI uses the numerical calculation of the gradient and the "heavy ball" modification of the gradient descent approach which can improve method convergence.

Therefore, the  $i^{th}$  component  $x_i^k$  of solution  $\mathbf{x}^{k-1}$  on  $k^{th}$  algorithm iteration are updated using the following equation

$$x_i^k = x_i^{k-1} + \alpha^k \frac{F(\mathbf{x}^{k-1} + \Delta x_i^{k-1}) - F(\mathbf{x}_i^{k-1})}{\Delta x_i^{k-1}} + \beta(\mathbf{x}^{k-1} - \mathbf{x}^{k-2}).$$

Here  $\alpha^k$  is the step on the  $k^{th}$  iteration,  $\Delta x_i^{k-1}$  is the small argument increment,  $\beta$  is the predefined constant.

## 2.4 RFQ Optimization Algorithm

Follow our approach the optimization of RFQ channel may be performed in several stages (see Fig. 2). At the first stage only longitudinal dynamics in the regular part of accelerator may be considered. After that if the input beam mismatches with the RFQ channel, it is possible to considerably improve the beam capture ratio using the modification of the matching section geometry profile. In addition, we can provide the minimization of the beam emittance growth. One can find more detailed description of these optimization stages below.

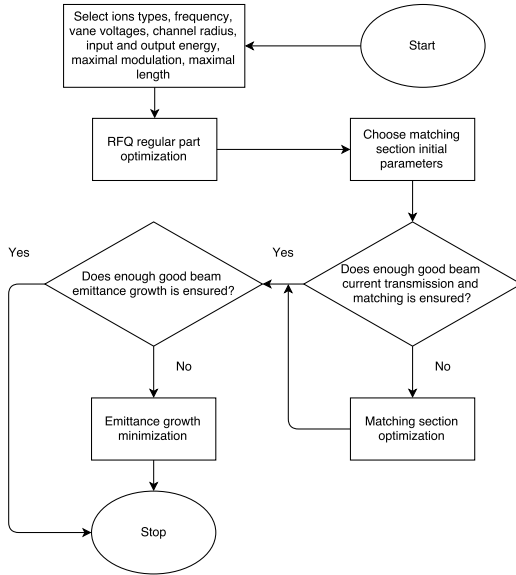


Figure 2. Flow chart of RFQ optimization algorithm

## 2.5 Procedure for Improving Capture Ratio

The RFQ design approach realized in the DAISI code is based on the division of the regular part of the

RFQ channel in four parts — two parts for the gentle buncher, forming section and accelerating section. On each part with label  $k$ , the modulations and the synchronous phases are approximated using the following approach.

$$\varphi_i = \varphi_k + \frac{\varphi_{k+1} - \varphi_k}{N_k^{p_k}} \left( i - \sum_{j=0}^k N_j \right)^{p_k},$$

$$m_i = m_k + \frac{m_{k+1} - m_k}{N_k^{q_k}} \left( i - \sum_{j=0}^k N_j \right)^{q_k}.$$

Here  $i$  is the cell number,  $\varphi_k$  and  $m_k$  are synchronous phase and modulation at the beginning of the part with the label  $k$ ,  $q_k$  and  $p_k$  are non-negative constants,  $N_j$  is the number of cells that forms a part with the label  $j$ . In the first part we assume  $m_0 = 1$  and  $\varphi_0 = -\pi/2$ . The matching section is located before the regular part of the RFQ channel. Therefore, we have to obtain a set of 18 parameters  $N_k, q_k, p_k, \varphi_{k+1}, m_{k+1}, (k = \overline{0..3})$ , which will determine the geometry of RFQ electrodes.

The following expression determines the part of the non-accelerated particles that is used as a fitness function for improving the capture ratio.

$$F_1 = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{N_\alpha} \sum_{k=1}^{N_p} f_1(W_{\alpha_k}),$$

$$f_1(W_{\alpha_k}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \left| \frac{W_{\alpha_k} - W_\alpha}{W_\alpha} \right| > \Delta W_{\text{lim}}, \\ 0, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

Here  $N_\alpha$  is the number of accelerated ion types,  $N_p$  is the number of macroparticles,  $W_\alpha$  is the average output energy of an ion beam with label  $\alpha$ ,  $W_{\alpha_k}$  is the output macroparticle energy and  $\Delta W_{\text{lim}}$  is a constant. In this stage, we obtain modulations and synchronous phases of each cells.

One of the possible matching section optimization procedures is described in (Ovsyannikov et al., 2009b). However, in the present work, we propose a new procedure. As a starting point for optimization, use the quadratic matching section profile. In this case the matching section radius  $r_i$  is approximated using the following expression.

$$r_i = r_m + \frac{r_c - r_m}{N_m^2} i^2.$$

Here,  $i$  is the cell number,  $r_c$  is the average radius of the channel regular part,  $r_m$  is the matcher maximal radius and  $N_m$  is the number of cells in the matcher. The matching section radius  $r_i$  is optimized in this procedure by using the following fitness function for im-

proving the transmission rate.

$$F_2 = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\alpha=N_\alpha} \sum_{k=1}^{N_p} f_2(S_{11}^{x,y}(z)),$$

$$f_2(S_{11}^{x,y}(z)) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \exists z : S_{11}^{x,y}(z) > c_a a(z), \\ 0, & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

We recommend to choose a constant  $c_a$  in the (0.5, 0.8) range. In other words when using a simple beam dynamics model, we have to ensure the transmission of the beam through a channel with a sufficient margin.

## 2.6 Emittance Growth Minimization Procedure

Additionally, we can minimize the beam emittance growth. The following expression that determines the level of the overlapping of the output ellipses is used as a fitness function in this optimization stage (Ovsyannikov et al., 2016).

$$F_2 = \sum_{\alpha=1}^{\alpha=N_\alpha} \sum_{k=1}^{N_p} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{N_p} \sum_{j=1}^{N_p} S_{21\alpha_j}^x - S_{21\alpha_k}^x \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{N_p} \sum_{j=1}^{N_p} S_{21\alpha_j}^y - S_{21\alpha_k}^y \right)^2 \right].$$

In this stage we can make a small correction in the modulations of the channel cells and obtain the matching section parameters.

## 2.7 Particle in Cell Simulations

For the accurate estimation of the beam characteristics, the electrode parameters calculated by the DAISI were exported to the LIDOS RFQ Designer code (Bondarev, Durkin, Ivanov and et al., 2001). Later, LIDOS was used for the final correction and selection of the channel parameters, considering the real shape of the electrodes, their possible sectioning for mechanical processing, electrodynamic settings, etc. Full 3D particle-in-cell simulations were performed by LIDOS considering the real shape of electrodes.

## 3 Examples of Preacceleration of Carbon Ions with Z=4+ and Z=6+

The preacceleration of  $C_{12}^{4+}$  and  $C_{12}^{6+}$  ions was considered in papers (Schlitt and Ratzinger, 1998; Minaev et al., 1999) with respect to the German proposal for the HIT medical facility. Because the yield of  $C_{12}^{6+}$  ions from ECR source is small,  $C_{12}^{4+}$  ions were accelerated up to 7 MeV/u by a tandem of RFQ + IH-linac and necessary quantity of  $C_{12}^{6+}$  ions was obtained by stripping of  $C_{12}^{4+}$  ions on special foil. It is possible in the future to obtain quite enough quantity of  $C_{12}^{6+}$  ions directly from

ECR source and only then RFQ channel may be used for the acceleration of both  $C_{12}^{4+}$  and  $C_{12}^{6+}$  ion type.

The characteristics of the beam and the RFQ channel parameters are presented in Table 1 and plotted versus the cell number in Fig. 3. The initial data for modeling can be found in works (Schlitt and Ratzinger, 1998; Minaev et al., 1999). We suppose that  $C_{12}^{4+}$  ion beam may be optimally matched to the RFQ channel with the help of LEBT and RFQ matching section, as discussed in (Schlitt and Ratzinger, 1998). In this case, the beam of  $C_{12}^{6+}$  can be mismatched. To estimate a capture ratio of mismatched  $C_{12}^{6+}$  beam, the neutral input ellipses in XdX and YdY axes were used. Dependences of the current capture ratio on the input current are presented in Fig. 4. We have also analyzed the dependence of the main characteristics of accelerated  $C_{12}^{6+}$  ions on the intervane voltage. The main results are as follows: with the increase intervane voltage, capture ratio, bunch momentum width and output emittance are increase, while the bunch phase width decreases (see Fig. 5).

Input ions energy, MeV	0.096
Output ions energy, MeV	3.57
Operating frequency, MHz	216
Kilpatrick factor $E_{max}/E_{k1p}$	1.8
Intervane voltage for $C_{12}^{4+}$ ions, kV	70
Intervane voltage for $C_{12}^{6+}$ ions, kV	46.6
Average channel aperture radius, mm	3
Maximal modulation	1.3
Input impulse current, mA	0-10
Input emittance, pi-cm-mrad (RMS, norm)	0.03
Initial momentum spread, %	$\pm 2.5$
Accelerator length, m	1.83
Zero current 90% emittance growth ( $C_{12}^{4+}$ )	2.1
Bunch phase width (90%, 1 mA, $C_{12}^{4+}$ ), deg	38
Bunch momentum width (90%, 1 mA, $C_{12}^{4+}$ ), %	2.3

Table 1. Main carbon RFQ parameters

## 4 Examples of Preacceleration of Hard Multi-charged Ions Yb, Pb, Bi

The characteristics of the beam and the RFQ channel parameters are presented in Tables 2, 3. The initial data for modeling can be found in works (Angert et al., 1991; Angert et al., 1990). As in the previous examples, we suppose that the LEBT system, together

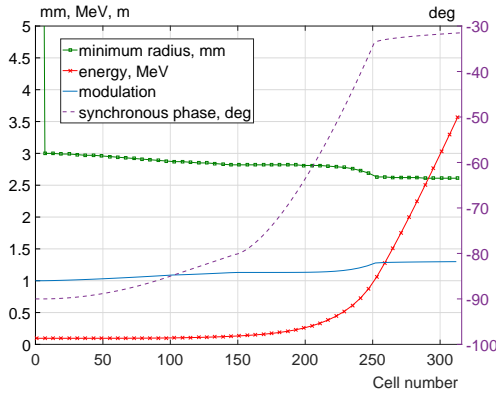


Figure 3. Carbon RFQ Design Parameters

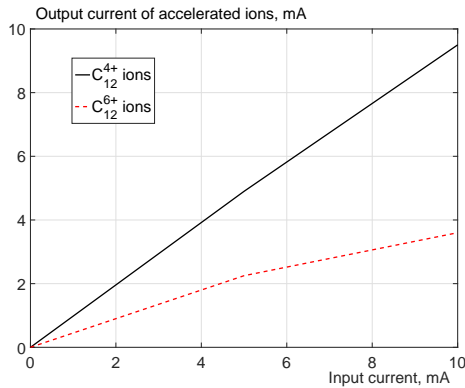
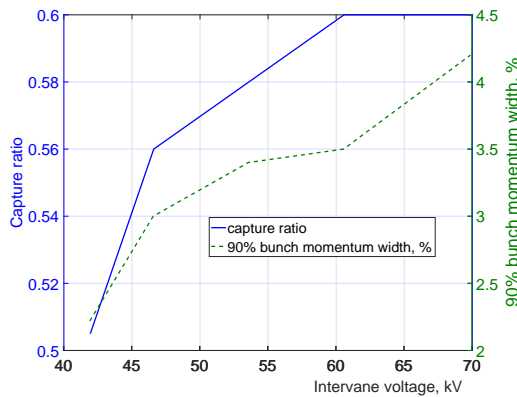
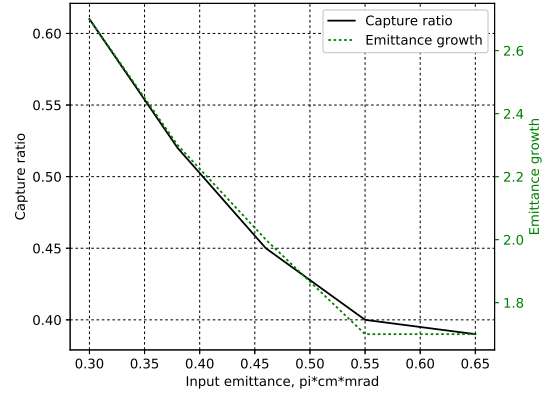


Figure 4. Dependence of the current of accelerated ions on the input impulse current

Figure 5. Dependences of the characteristics of accelerated  $C_{12}^{6+}$  ions for zero current on intervane voltage

with the source and RFQ matching section, provides an optimum matching for the beam of  $Pb_{208}^{28+}$  to the RFQ channel. To estimate the capture ratio of the mismatched beams of  $Bi_{209}^{35+}$  and  $Yb_{176}^{22+}$ , the neutral input ellipses in  $XdX$  and  $YdY$  axes were used. In addition

we conduct a set of simulation for  $Yb_{176}^{22+}$  ions beam with different input emittance (Fig. 6). For each simulation the phase volume shapes changed with a change in the input emittance.

Figure 6. Dependences of some output characteristics of the accelerated  $Yb_{176}^{22+}$  ion beam on the input emittance

Input ions energy, keV/u	2.5
Output ions energy, keV/u	300
Operating frequency, MHz	108
Kilpatrick factor $E_{max}/E_{kilp}$	1.8
Intervane voltage for $Pb_{208}^{28+}$ ions, kV	90
Intervane voltage for $Yb_{176}^{22+}$ ions, kV	90
Intervane voltage for $Bi_{209}^{35+}$ ions, kV	72.3
Average channel aperture radius, mm	4.42
Maximal modulation	1.6
Minimal channel radius, mm	3.4
Input current, mA	<0.2
Input emittance, $\pi\text{-cm}\cdot\text{mrad}$ (RMS, norm)	0.046
Initial momentum spread, %	$\pm 2.5$
Accelerator length, m	3.43

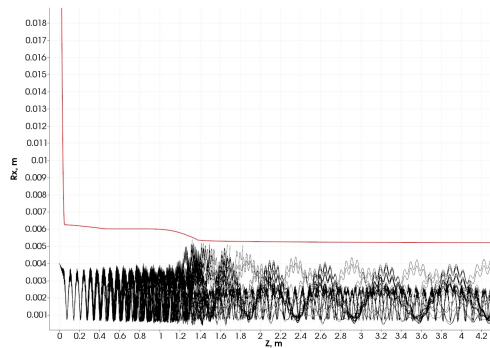
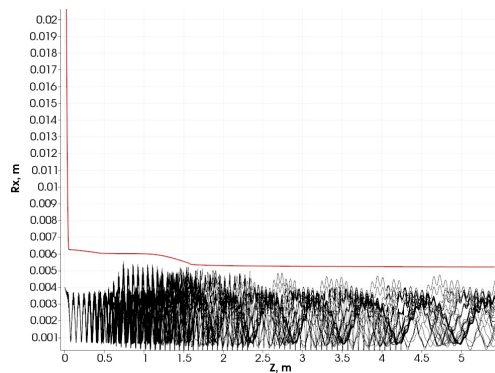
Table 2. Main RFQ parameters for multicharged ions Yb, Pb and Bi

## 5 Examples of Preacceleration of Hard Multicharged Ions Kr, Ar

The characteristics of the beam and the RFQ channel parameters are presented in Tables 4, 5. The initial data for modeling can be found in work (Gikal, 2013).

	Capture ratio	Bunch phase width (90%), deg	Bunch momentum width (90%), %	emittance growth (90%)
Pb <sub>208</sub> <sup>28+</sup>	0.85	24	1.5	1.6
Yb <sub>176</sub> <sup>22+</sup>	0.45	27.2	1.74	2.0
Bi <sub>209</sub> <sup>35+</sup>	0.45	24.6	1.8	1.9

Table 3. Output parameters of Yb, Pb and Bi accelerated beams

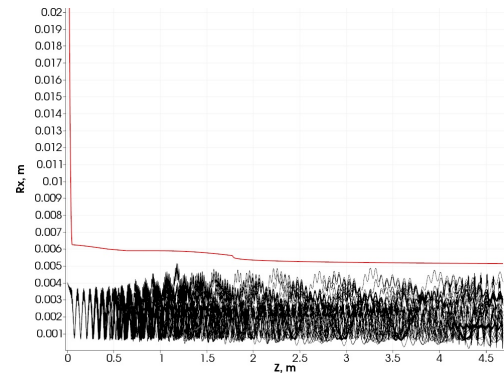
Figure 7. Trajectories of Ar<sub>40</sub><sup>8+</sup> ion before optimization calculated using DAISI. Capture ratio in standing-wave model is 0.52Figure 8. Trajectories of Ar<sub>40</sub><sup>8+</sup> after gradient descend optimization calculated using DAISI. Capture ratio in standing-wave model is 0.78

The system of the axial beam injection described in this work produces the beam of Kr<sub>86</sub><sup>13+</sup> ions with 8 mm width and 35 mrad divergence. For matching this beam with the RFQ, the channel radius has to be increased to 6.25 mm. The capture ratio in this case considerably decreases to 0.4 obtained using the LIDOS and 0.52 obtained using the DAISI. It also should be noted that the capture ratio magnitude in the standing-wave approximation (using the DAISI) is better than the capture ratio magnitude obtained using the particle-in-cell simulations (using the LIDOS). The transversal trajec-

Input ions energy, keV/u	3
Output ions energy, keV/u	350
Operating frequency, MHz	108
Intervane voltage for Kr <sub>86</sub> <sup>13+</sup> ions, kV	90
Intervane voltage for Ar <sub>40</sub> <sup>8+</sup> ions, kV	68
Average channel aperture radius, mm	6.25
Maximal modulation	1.5
Minimal channel radius, mm	5.44
Input impulse current, mA	<0.2
Input emittance, pi·cm·mrad (RMS, normalized) (Kr <sub>86</sub> <sup>13+</sup> )	0.03
Input emittance, pi·cm·mrad (RMS, normalized) (Ar <sub>40</sub> <sup>8+</sup> )	0.04
Initial momentum spread, %	±2.5
Accelerator length, m	4.66

Table 4. Main RFQ parameters for multicharged ions Kr, Ar

tories of Ar<sub>40</sub><sup>8+</sup> for this case are presented in Fig. 7. We performed comparison of the above described optimization approach and the simple gradient descend procedure. By using the gradient descend optimization the capture ratio was improved from 0.52 to 0.78 in the DAISI (Fig. 8). However, by using the above described optimization procedure, the capture ratio was improved from 0.52 to 1.0 in the DAISI (see Fig. 9). Therefore the application of the proposed approach of the combination of the particle swarm and the gradient descent methods results in better capture ratio than application both of them separately.

Figure 9. Trajectories of Ar<sub>40</sub><sup>8+</sup> after proposed optimization approach (particle swarm + gradient descend) calculated using DAISI. Capture ratio in standing-wave model is 1.0

	Capture ratio	Bunch phase width (90%), deg	Bunch momentum width (90%), %	emittance growth (90%)
before optimization				
Kr <sup>13+</sup> <sub>86</sub>	0.4	22.2	1.28	2.4
Ar <sup>8+</sup> <sub>40</sub>	0.38	21	1.34	1.8
after optimization				
Kr <sup>13+</sup> <sub>86</sub>	0.59	21.6	1.26	2.3
Ar <sup>8+</sup> <sub>40</sub>	0.59	20.6	1.3	1.7

Table 5. Output parameters of Kr, Ar accelerated beams before and after optimization calculated using LIDOS

## 6 Conclusion

In some cases it is possible to organize preacceleration a few types of multicharged ions before injection into booster or DTL by using single chain of compact accelerators with high operating frequency. The RFQ placed after the LEBT is important part of the preacceleration tract. Modelling's results given above show that the geometrical optimization of the matching section and the regular part of the RFQ vanes by using the fast stochastic optimization methods allows to obtain good RFQ output beam parameters, thus allowing the further acceleration of the ions in a DTL or an IH resonators without using an additional strong magnetic field. Sometimes low capture ratio strongly depends on the emittance on the RFQ input. The initial data used in this paper are published experimental and calculated data and this is not always best over in the world.

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