# **CEBAF Accelerator Status, November 12, 2024**

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### **Presentation Content**

- Obligatory accelerator site schematic
- Mission; long-term plans and projects
  - Positrons mentioned, leading into e- energy straggler/degrader
- Accelerator Performance to date
- Upgrades energy reach, 200 keV injector, target irradiation, etc
- Limitations and outlook
- Miscellaneous other upgrades and developments





### **CEBAF Accelerator**

- SRF, recirculating, 5.5 pass, 12 GeV Linac
- Beam power up to 900 kW
- Total recirculated beam current in each linac up to 450 uA
- CEBAF can provide beam up to 4
  Halls simultaneously
- Beam can be extracted to a specific Hall at any selected pass
  - e.g., Hall A at pass 4, Hall B at pass5, and Hall C at pass 3
  - (With usual constraints on concurrent operation...)



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### Alignment with Lab's Mission and Long-Range Plan (LRP)

• LRP Recommendation 1: Capitalize on the extraordinary opportunities for scientific discovery made possible by the substantial and sustained investments. Continue effective operation of national user facilities, including CEBAF at TJNAF



- Operate CEBAF for Nuclear Physics for >30 week/yr. for >1800 users
- Support 12 GeV experimental program (MOLLER, SoLID, K-Long) [and eventually e<sup>+</sup>]



#### **CEBAF Performance Plan (CPP)**

- Established in 2017 with goal of achieving 12 GeV in 5.5 passes with good reliability.
- Reliability Project, manager: Randy Michaud
  - Critical Spares
  - Klystrons
  - Obsolescence
  - Optimal Weeks Hardware
- Energy Reach Project, manager: Tony Reilly
  - C75 program

ACCOMPLISHED!

(Partially) and with

- C100 refurbishment program



CPP funding vs FY. The total is \$60.1M. CPP Fully Loaded Funding (AY k\$)

**CEBAF** Operations Overview

### FY 2024 SAD Plasma Processing

			(1-hr run numbers)
	Plasma Gain:	Total ( <u>MV</u> /m):	87
		Total( <u>MeV</u> )	60.9
	Per cavity:	(MV/m)	2.72
	1074.0	(MeV)	1.90
Forecast: TN-23-013	Per cavity:	(MV/m)	1.3
		FE onset	2.4
		1	Start.

Zones processed 1L23/1L24/1L25/1L26, plus 2L26

Plasma-Processing Improvements (Tentative) --

Initial forecast: +1.3 MV/m per cavity (0.9 MeV) Measured improvement: +2.72 MV/m per cavity (1.9 MeV)

To be verified in the coming weeks through longer periods of operation



# **CPP Energy Reach Project Is Critical For Success**



Required CEBAF Energy Reach with margin can be nearly achieved in FY 26 and exceeded in FY27 with the proposed profile.



### FY 2024 SAD Cryo Module Dance

**Plasma Processing Plans** 



Note: Cryomodule MeV recorded from 12/18/23 data



CEBAF Ops Taken ufrom Tan Reilly's JLAAC Talk

# **CEBAF Energy Reach Evolution and Next Year Projection**

CPP stopped and turned around energy degradation and reliability decrease



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insufficient RF power.

current because of

### High Power Beam Test, 5/20/2024

- 85 uA beam current to Hall C @ 5 pass => 900 kW
- 860 kW for 2 min (1L22 RF trip), 800 kW for 3 min (1L23 RF trip)
- Maximum beam power was limited by available RF power
- We need a few days of sustained effort to push power beyond this level after SAD





# Weekly CEBAF Reliability Last Run (08/26/2023 – 05/20/2024)

- Two significant downtime events that impacted reliability
  - Gun field emission, Nov/Dec 2023, and
  - Gun laser shutter failure, Mar/Apr 2024



Gun field emission required reducing gun HV and injector energy. **Root cause:** 

Design and test processes for the new gun did not follow best engineering practices.

2 Gun laser shutter was not in the right position after maintenance and failed to stop the laser beam, causing beam strike event.

#### **Root causes:**

1) Inadequate configuration control

2) Gun laser system can fail and send full beam for tens of milliseconds without ability to stop it.



## **Accelerator Performance Limitations**

- SRF
  - C100 cavity gradient degradation due to field emission and linac contamination
  - Loss of cryomodules and cavities to vacuum leaks and other events
  - Cavity faults caused by microphonics and other effects.
- RF
  - Performance of C100 RF stations lags relatively to the requirement
  - Loss of RF stations during run
  - C20, C50, C75 Klystron degradation needs attention
- Outdated accelerator systems limit understanding of the machine, post- mortem capabilities, and application of improved techniques such as AI/ML
  - LLRF, earlier, analog versions are still prevalent at CEBAF
  - BPMs and BLMs, slow DAQ (most), no buffering for postmortem processing
  - (No) Global timing system to synchronize CEBAF systems
  - Mitigation: AIP projects



### **Challenges And Risks**

- Impact of delayed and reduced budget in FY24
  - Unable to procure and install all-metal gate valves this SAD due to late arrival of funding and procurement freeze. This delays effort to mitigate gradient degradation in CEBAF by a year.
  - Delay in refurbishment of klystrons (CPP). Risk of losing potential vendor for klystron refurbishment.
  - 50% reduction in funding of the CPP Obsolescence program. Risk of catastrophic failures increases.
- Safety issues have negative impact on operations
  - Take focus and effort away from operations and reliability
  - Make SAD and maintenance work planning and execution difficult
  - However, we have restored LOTO capacity
- Risk: lagging CPP funding
  - Insufficient funds for CPP can further affect our ability to address energy reach and reliability gaps
- Risk: Insufficient funding of AIPs
  - Upgrade of LLRF, BPM, BLM, Timing System can be significantly delayed limiting our ability to improve CEBAF performance



#### About every 5 years we have a major polarized source advancement













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C. Hernandez-Garcia, "Polarized Sources R&D Overview" HEP visit January 31, 2024 14/29

#### The CEBAF design allows for a photocathode preparation chamber behind the gun







#### New, larger photogun installed for operation up to 200 kV



Present CEBAF 130 kV photogun

New CEBAF 200 kV photogun



### **Upgraded Injector Solenoids – as-built error corrected**



### **Injector Polarized Solid Target irradiation station installation**



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#### LDRD: Degraded electron beam transport in CEBAF

- Positron source at CEBAF will have higher emittance
- "Degrader" to increase emittance of CEBAF electron beam to match positron beam
  - carbon target, 2 apertures
- Installed between injector booster and first cryomodule
- Tune mode beam to 123MeV dump, NL during beam studies

As of Nov 11, 2024,

Undergoing Hot Check-Out





### LLRF, BPM, BLM, and Timing System Upgrades....

- LLRF Upgrade
  - Provides advanced functionality for field control and diagnostics capabilities.
  - Upgrade in progress. Installation to proceed until 2027.
- Next Generation BPMs
  - Addresses obsolescence. Provides new functionality: high bandwidth DAQ, buffering, interface to global timing system, suitable for capturing fast transients.
  - Porotype construction in progress. Plan to install by 2028.
- BLM System Upgrade
  - Provides new functionality (faster DAQ, buffering, interface to timing system). Total loss monitors can extend area coverage.
- Global Timing System
  - Synchronizes instrumentation and allows correlating their response to beam events
- These systems will benefit CEBAF the most if they are treated as parts of an integrated system, complementing each other.
- Advanced functionality and global timing will provide insight into machine behavior and allow us to use modern tools such as ML/AI.



LLRF v3



#### New gen. BPM prototype



#### Global timing system concept





## Helium Vapor Return mass flowmeter installation



- Hot-wire anemometer (Superconducting probe loop, Hyperboloid LLC)
- Competes 3K vapor refrigeration against supplemental heater
  Static conduction/natural convection/forced convection
- Track and measure heat to maintain partially normal-conducting probe
- Includes a diode thermometer to measure vapor temperature
- Fast (time scale of minutes) measurement of RF cavity dissipation (Q<sub>0</sub>)

# Helium Vapor Return flowmeter – Keep an eye on Q<sub>0</sub>, Avoid insulating vacuum surprises

Development, Commissioning, and Measurement of SRF Cavity Heat-loads and Quality Factors with a Conduction-Cooled Helium Flow meter

We present a cryogenic flow meter, acting as a power meter to measure real-time helium vapor mass flow in the return U-tube of a superconducting cryomodule. The meter employs a superconducting niobium-titanium sensor element (Tc=9.2K) adjacent to a resistive heater. Cooling from ~3K helium vapor competes with resistive heat, stabilizing the sensor in a fractionally normal-conducting state. This dynamic balance enables the meter to function as a hot-wire anemometer with a sensitivity of 0.05 g/s (equivalent to 1 Watt of cavity dissipation).

Matching RF-induced vapor flow with calibrated cryomodule heater output offers a rapid and reliable method for assessing cavity performance vs. accelerating gradient, expediting commissioning processes. It also enables effective Q\_0 tracking over time, optimizing SRF systems' efficiency, guiding cryogenic heat load management, and enhancing the correlation of eventual cavity performance degradation with possible environmental or hardware-related influences

### Path Forward – Basically "Make It Better"

- Continue critical CPP effort to close energy and reliability performance gaps
- Reestablish CEBAF SRF cleanness effort, implement it as part of CPP, and include plasma processing into operations
- Review and improve CEBAF RF performance
- Improve beam transport and tuning procedures and ensure continuity of experience with machine tuning within AD
- Focus on improving reliability, restore reliability team, and continue effort to turn maintenance from reactive to proactive
- Upgrade CEBAF accelerator system through AIPs and expedite upgrades if possible
- Develop Accelerator Management Plan that will summarize CEBAF path forward for next five years (by end of CY24)

