Cathodes Dark Current and Space Charge

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Dark Current Data



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Dark Current

- Dark current was the main reason for changing cathode during TTF-I
- To correlate it with other cathode and plug parameters, a database is running in Milano accessible by WEB interface
- We have now update the database with the information from the previous run but now we would like to have it updated "daily"

Database Scheme



In Vacuum Treatment



Database Data

Value

7.5

170

290

310

Date

24/11/1998

01/11/1999

11/11/1999

11/11/1999

Location

DESY-Hamburg

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IMPROVED Database Scheme



Deposition



PLUG

- Molybdenum bar
- Machining procedures
- Cleaning
- Polishing
- In Vacuum Treatment

Reflectivity



Cathode Measurements

- Intrinsic properties
 - QE
 - Maximum Extracted charge
 - Schottky Effect
 - Cs₂Te is a large E_{gap} semiconductor. How does it behaves?
 - We have to look at:
 - Charge vs. $E_{cathode}$ after saturation !!
 - Phase scan !!
- Laser beam spot size (rough estimate)



An example



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NEW Cathode Measurements

- "Time dependence"
 - Integrated Charge
 - Charge measurement @ gun exit (Integral of charge along the train)
 - QE vs. time
 - Charge @ gun exit and laser energy measurement

We look at DAQ to have them into the database



GUI Interface for Operator

- The GUI interface is intended to help the operator in measuring the dark current and QE and automatically include the measurement in the database
- We foresee both automatic (when possible) and guided manual procedure
- The important parameters are read from the control system or put in from the operator
- The measurement data are saved locally and



Cathode Visual Analysis

PITZ 44.2 Cs₂Te May-Sept '03

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100 µm

<mark>Μο</mark> 200 μm

Mechanical scratches

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200 µm

200

μm

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13.1 (Cs₂Te, Hamburg) [1999]



