OPERATION OF TARN

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The construction of TARN, Test Accumulation Ring for NUMATRON Project¹), was finished and the test operation was started since August, 1979. The ion beams, for example He^{2+} and H_2^+ of 7 MeV/u, from the INS SF Cyclotron are injected and accumulated into the TARN², as shown in Fig. 1 and 2. The important problems for the designing of NUMATRON as the multiturn injection, RF stacking³), the beam monitoring and the ultra-high vacuum⁴) had acquired footing.

The normal orbit of accumulated beam is in good agreement with the desgin value⁵⁾ and v-value is set up 2.25. Two computer, HP 1000 and FACOM U-400, are used for the control of the beam and the RF system and the data logging. Also, the vacuum reached to 6 x 10^{-11} torr on beam condition which keeps the survival rate of the beam intensity of >90 %.

The typical results so far obtained are as follows: The injection into transverse phase space up to the effective intensity of 34 turns at the maximum is successfully achieved and the injection of about 20 turns into and optimum space considering the combination with RF stacking has been established as shown in Fig. 3. Upper and lower pictures in Fig. 4 show the beam profiles of He ions for the 20 turns injection and the 40 Hz RF stacking, respectively, observed by a sweeping scintillation monitor. This stacked beam corresponds to the intensity of about 200 turns and of about 10⁹ particles. The mean lives of the accumulated ions are 35 ms and 250 s for 14 MeV ${\rm H_2}^+$ molecular ions at the residual gas pressure of 6 x 10⁻¹⁰ torr and 28 MeV He ions at 1 x 10⁻¹⁰ torr, respectively.

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Fig.l Layout of the Test Accumulation Ring for NUMATRON (TARN) and the Beam Transpot System from the SF-Cyclotron





Fig. 3
Top: Indicate the beam
duration transported from
the SF-Cyclotron.
Middle: Current form of
 pulsed bump field.
Bottom: ~20 turn injection
of α beam, observed by
electrostatic beam monitor

Fig. 4 Upper: 20 turn injection of α beam, observed by radially sweeping scintillation monitor. Lower: 40 Hz RF stacking after 20 turn injection of α beam.