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Background: RKO (Hendricks, et al., 1996)

- • **Transverse electron motion restricted by static magnetic field**
- • **First cavity driven by external RF source**
- • **RF gap voltage modulates electron beam velocity**
- • **Coupled booster cavity enhances AC component (Luginsland, et al, 1996)**

Background: Evolutionary Algorithms

- •**Inspired by processes of natural selection**
- •**Population initialized as collection of random individuals**
- •**Individuals evaluated according to fitness function**
- • **Genetic operators applied to population**
	- •**Selection: Offspring population biased toward more fit individuals**
	- •**Recombination: Features from multiple parents combined in offspring**
	- •**Mutation: Random variation added to offspring**
- • **Applied successfully as optimum-seeking techniques**
	- \bullet **Useful for objective functions that are discontinuous, nonconvex, ...**

Methodology: Multi-cavity RKO Model

- **Model evolution of gap voltages including effects of:**
	- **Cavity resonances**
	- **Electromagnetic coupling**
	- **Beam coupling**

• **Assumptions**

- **Small signal, modal, steady-state solutions**
	- [⇒]**Superposition principle applies to beam modulation**
- **Cavity coupling is weak and occurs through cutoff waveguide** [⇒]**Only nearest neighbor electromagnetic coupling is significant**
- **Generalizes Luginsland's dispersion relation model of the two-cavity RKO (Luginsland, 1996) to the N-cavity RKO**
	- **Cavities may have distinct natural frequencies, qualities, and impedances**
	- •**Drift regions may have distinct radii, lengths, and loss coefficients**

Methodology: Multi-cavity RKO Model

Assuming solutions e-j ω **t, the gap voltage V m satisfies**

$$
L_m(\omega)V_m + C_{m-1}V_{m-1} + C_mV_{m+1} + \sum\nolimits_{n < m} \Gamma_{m,n} V_n = 0 \ ,
$$

where the damped harmonic oscillator operator is

$$
L_m(\omega) = \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_{0,m}^2} - \frac{j\omega}{\omega_{0,m}Q_m} - 1,
$$

the electromagnetic coupling coefficient is

$$
C_m = \chi_{c,m} \exp\left[-\frac{2.405}{r_{w,m}}\sqrt{1-\left(\frac{2\pi\omega_{0,m}r_{w,m}}{0.383c}\right)^2}\left(x_{m+1} - x_m\right)\right],
$$

and the beam coupling coefficient is

$$
\Gamma_{m,n} = \frac{Z_m}{R} \sin \left\{ \sum_{r=n}^{m-1} k_{p,r} (x_{r+1} - x_r) \right\} \exp \left[- \frac{j \omega_{0,n}}{\beta c} (x_m - x_n) \right]
$$

Methodology: Multi-cavity RKO Model

• The evolution of the cavity voltages $V=(V_1, V_2, ..., V_N)^T$ are **thus described by [A(** ω **)]V = 0, where**

- **Resonant frequencies** ω **satisfy det[A(** ^ω**)] = 0**
	- **det[A(** ^ω**)] is a polynomial of degree 2N in** ω
	- **- Im[** ω**] is the mode's growth rate, to be maximized**

Methodology: GENOCOP III (Michalewicz, 1992)

- **Public domain UNIX-based real-valued EA used widely and successfully for parameter optimization problems**
- **Minimization and maximization problems**
- • **Constraints:**
	- **linear equality,**
	- **linear inequality, and**
	- **non-linear inequality**
- • **Operators:**
	- **selection: exponential ranking**
	- **crossover: whole and simple arithmetic**
	- **mutation: uniform, boundary, non-uniform, and whole non-uniform**
- **Maintains separate "reference" population of feasible individuals; highly fit but infeasible individuals are occasionally recombined with reference individuals**

Methodology: Independent Variables and Domains

Identify candidate designs

• **Represented as vectors of independent variables:**

(V 0, I 0, ri, r o-ri,

f0,1,…,f0,N,Q1,…,Q N,Q1Z1,…,Q NZ N, $\mathbf{d_1},...,\mathbf{d_{N\text{-}1}},\ \chi_{\text{r},1}\ ,...\ ,\ \chi_{\text{r},N\text{-}1}\ ,\ \chi_{\text{c},1}\ ,...\ ,\ \chi_{\text{c},N\text{-}1}\ \mathbf{)}^{\text{T}}$

• **Components satisfy variable domain constraints:**

Methodology: Computational Approach

Check that drift space radius bounds satisfy constraints:

$$
\left(0.95 \frac{0.383c}{f_{0,m}}\right) - (r_o + 0.2cm) \geq 0
$$

Compute drift space radii:

$$
r_{w,m} = \chi_{r,m} \left(0.95 \frac{0.383c}{f_{0,m}} \right) + (1 - \chi_{r,m}) (r_o + 0.2cm)
$$

Check that limiting currents are not exceeded:

$$
17000\left[\left(1+\frac{V_0}{mc^2}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}}-1\right]^{\frac{3}{2}}\left[1-2\left(\frac{r_i^2}{r_o^2-r_i^2}\log\frac{r_o}{r_i}-\log\frac{r_w}{r_0}\right)\right]^{-1}-I_0\geq 0
$$

Methodology: Computational Approach

- •**Compute electromagnetic coupling coefficients**
- •**Compute beam coupling coefficients**
- •**Compute harmonic operator coefficients**
- **Construct the NxN matrix A(**ω**)**
	- **Elements are polynomials in** ^ω**, represented by their coefficients**
- **Reduce A(**ω**) to lower triangular form:**
	- For rows i = N-1 down to 1, and each element [A(ω)]_{i,j} in row i
		- Multiply by [A(ω)]_{i+1,i+1}
		- Subtract [A(ω)]_{i,i+1} [A(ω)]_{i+1,j}
	- det ([A(ω)]) is now stored in [A(ω)]_{1,1} as a polynomial in ω of degree 2N
- •**Use Laguerre's method to find roots of det(A[**ω**)])**
- •**Choose root** ^ω **s.t. Re[**ω**] > 0 and Im[**ω**] is minimized**
- **Assign Im[**ω**] as the fitness of the candidate design**

Methodology: EA Parameters

- **Standard GENOCOP operator parameters**
	- **5 (necessarily feasible) individuals in reference population**
	- **20 (possibly feasible) individuals in search population**
	- **10,000 (x2) evaluations per experiment**
	- •**...**
- **50 independent experiments => 500,000 evaluations**
- •**Wall clock time (Pentium II, 233 MHz, NT)** ≈ **14 hours**

Results: High Growth-Rate, Non-Intuitive Designs

• **Each experiment found high growth-rate designs**

- **In comparison to a 10 cavity version of one good 2 cavity design, for which the growth rate is 1.30 nsec-1**
- **Best growth rate in these experiments is 2.07 nsec-1**
- **Enhanced growth rates of 10-cavity design allow pure oscillator operation (two-cavity design requires injection-locked operation)**
- **Designs are non-intuitive (typical of EA-based design)**
	- **Parameters differ significantly between cavities, and between drift spaces**
- **Best designs from various experiments are dissimilar**
	- **Suggests the EA designs may be far from the global optimum**

Conclusions

- **Theoretical model of signal growth rate in a multi-cavity RKO developed, incorporating electromagnetic and beam coupling effects**
- **Computational model manipulates arrays of polynomials to find determinant of interaction matrix, then uses Laguerre's method to find resonant frequencies and accompanying growth rates**
- **GENOCOP, a real-valued EA, using independent linear constraints on design parameters and standard algorithm parameters, identifies designs with growth rates that are significantly higher than intuitive designs**

Future Directions

- **Perform PIC simulations of best designs**
- • **Improve theoretical and computational models**
	- **Consider limiting currents at cavity gaps**
	- **Assign non-zero fitness to designs violating constraints**
		- **Reduce beam current to smallest limiting current**
		- **Reduce beam radius to fit within narrowest drift space**
	- **Consider mode competition and sensitivity to design parameters**

•**Improve effectiveness and efficiency of optimization**

- **Hybridize with local search (e.g. conjugate gradient)**
- **Consider other optimum-seeking techniques**
- •**Reduce the number of roots found**

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