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In this note we try to estimate the expected intensity of heavy ions in the booster. A pulsed mode of operating the Tandem Van de Graaff developed at Brookhaven, showing that 300 micro-seconds long pulse of heavy ion could be accelerated without any adverse effects on the performance of the Van de Graaff. The Tandem output for the representative ion species are given in the table I.

TABLE I

IONS	Q	T MeV/amu	CURRENT part-micro-amp
CARBON	6	7.5	82.
SULFUR	14	4.7	20.
COPPER	21	2.9	11.
IODINE	29	1.65	6.
GOLD	33	1.	5.

It is hard to estimate all the factors related to the intensity of the booster, however, following are list of the assumptions used and brief justification.

i) The ion beams are injected into the booster stacking in the horizontal betatron phase space. The number of effective turns one can inject to the ring is complicated and hard to determine, however one can deduce from past experiences of other similar situation. When the AGS was injected with protons, experience shows that one can inject more than sixteen effective turns from the linac. The emittance of the linac beam was about 5 mm-mr. The acceptance of the booster is somewhat larger than the AGS and the beam from the Tandem is about 1 mm-mr, a factor of five smaller than the linac. We expect to inject over twenty effective turns of the ions.

ii) There is another limitation to the intensity of the ion beams, namely the space charge limit. A conservative estimate is that one could stack at least to a space charge tune shift of .3 tune unit.

iii) RF capture efficiency is also hard to estimate. Since the injected beam from Tandem has virtually no energy spread, so called adiabatic capture of the beam takes too long (over 100 milli-seconds). Suggestion is made to capture in certain bunch size (~ 0.05 eV-sec/amu/bunch), and because we are bunching into much larger bucket than adiabatic bunch we expect very high bunching efficiency for RF capture. Theoretically one can capture up to 98% of the particle even for adiabatic capture. Since we use larger bucket size, we assume better than 98% capture efficiency.

iv) The final stripping efficiency is not well known, but a plausible guess is used except for gold which had been measured.

The table II shows the expected intensity for carbon, sulfur, copper, iodine, and gold ions.

TABLE II

	CARBON	SULFUR	COPPER	IODINE	GOLD
T(MeV/amu)	7.5	4.7	2.9	1.65	1.
BETA(V/C)	.1256	.0997	.0784	.0592	.0461
Q	6(6)	14(16)	21(29)	29(53)	33(79)
I(PART-MICRO-AMP)	82	20	11	6	5
N(at injection)	55	16.8	11.8	8.5	6.6*
20 turns ($\times 10^9$)					
RF CAPTURE EFFICIENCY	.98	.98	.98	.98	.98
VACUM SCATT. LOSS (%)	~0	~0	~.01	~.015	~.02
N(at extraction)	54	16.5	11.4	8.2	6.3
$\times 10^9$					
STRIPPING EFFICIENCY (%)	100.	>90.	>90.	>80.	~50.
N(AGS)	54	~15	~10	~6.6	~3.2
$\times 10^9$					

*Space charge tune shift limit of 0.3