

Status of the WEST TWA Design and Results from the High Power Mock-up

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Mock up



Installation – March 2021





Data conditioning based on the:

- AD8310 log amplifier connected to the voltage probes
- AD8302 gain/phase detector connected to the current probes and to the input/output lines



~ -77 dB

E (V/m)

2.8357e+06

2.5521e+06 2.2685e+06

1.9850e+06

1.7014e+06

1.4178e+06

1.1343e+06

8.5070e+05 5.6714e+05

2.8357e+05

8.1798e+00



Main characteristics:

- 6 straps
- 2 MW
- "flat" antenna
- Stainless steel
- No cooling

current probe

Designed to test the RF response in a controlled environment and the sensitivity to:

- thermo-mechanical deformation
- manufacturing tolerances

Trimmers and RF response measurements



Movable trimmers are used to fine-tune the antenna response

Removing the trimmers shifts the band to higher frequencies => reduced capacitance on the strap/resonator

The final configuration is a compromise between a good response and the smallest deviation of the trimmers

Data acquisition based on National Instruments DAQ integrated in the TITAN CODAC

3 thermocouples installed (on strap #1, #3 and on the input coaxial line)

IR camera to monitor the high power tests



TWA ICRH system in DEMO

DEMO TWA Outlook





DEMO 2019





Fixed trimmers are machined to the new dimension and reinstalled

Response tuning









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