

III.C MICROSONIC DETECTOR (MSD)

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A. Properties

1. Good spacial resolution
2. Moderate flux capability
3. Moderate event rate
4. Small volume

B. Purpose

1. Short-lived phenomena (B mesons, charms, etc.)

C. Characteristics: Demonstrated To Be Feasible

1. Active volume            2 cm × 2 cm × 0.3 cm
2. Density                    1.5 cm/cm<sup>3</sup>
3. Absorbtion length        82 cm
4. Radiation length         11 cm
5. Spacial resolution       < 10 $\mu$

D. Characteristics: To Be Demonstrated

1. Resolution in space      < 5 microns
2. Rate                        10<sup>5</sup> - 10<sup>6</sup> charged particles/s

E. Principle of Operation

The MSD is a super clean bubble chamber driven at 10-50 kHz

F. Experimental Use

In an experiment, it would be used as a vertex detector to detect short-lived particles (B mesons, etc.). It would be followed by an atmospheric streamer chamber to detect longer lived particles (charm, etc.). Both optical devices would be followed by a downstream multiparticle spectrometer with good particle identification (i.e., similar to the spectrometer associated with the FHS).

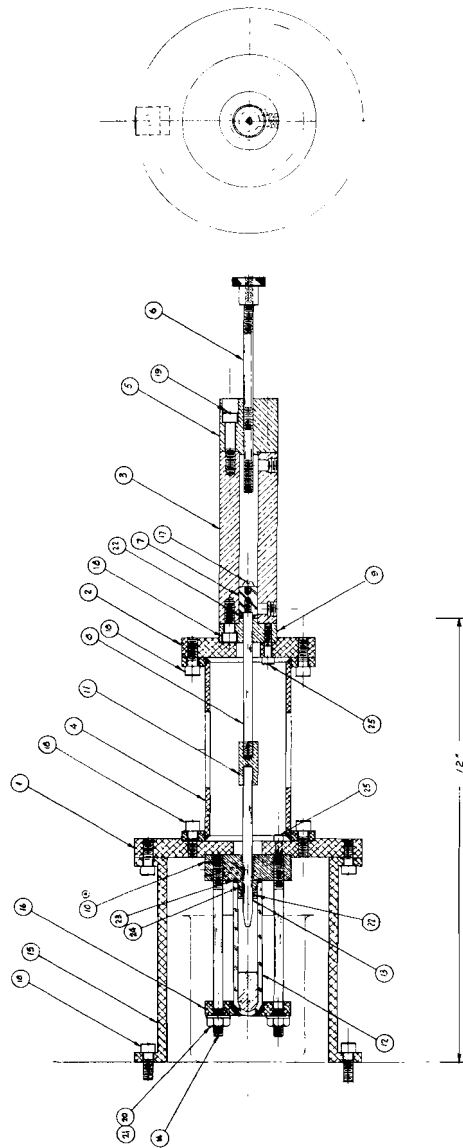


Fig. 1. The sensitive fluid ( $\text{CF}_3\text{Br}$ ) is completely encased by the inert fluid ( $\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{O}_2$ ). The freon is heavier than the glycol and rests at the bottom of the test tube (12). The glass piston (12) by a two-way air cylinder which alternately expands and compresses the sensitive freon by means of the inert glycol.

▲ 85° (~ 100 bubbles / cm)

⊙ high bubble density (~ 200 bubble / cm)

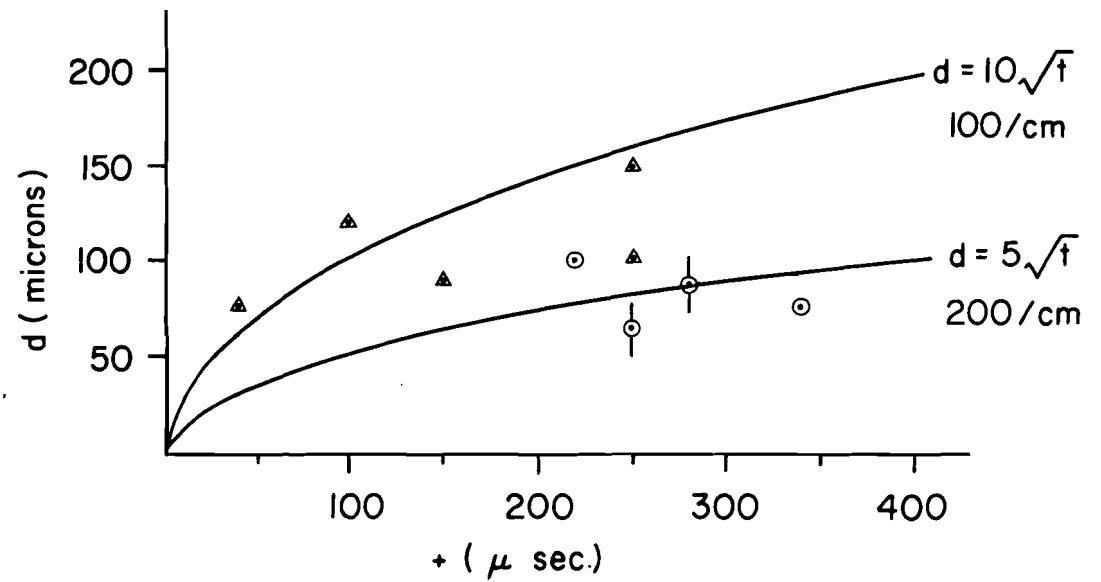


Fig. 2. Bubble diameter vs flash delay time.



Fig. 3. Photograph of 130 MeV/c photon bremsstrahlung beam.

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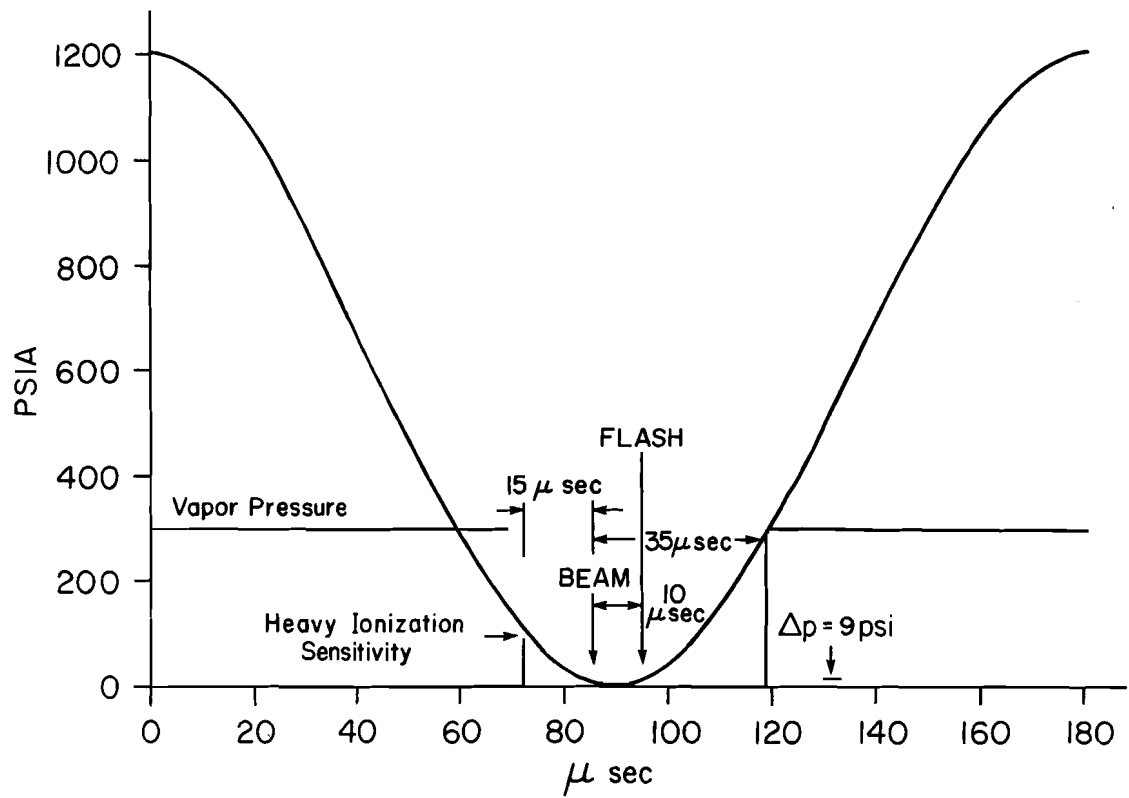


Fig. 4. Typical 5.5 KHz operation. (Proposed).