

RF Approach to HEDP

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RF Acceleration in Front End

- Parameters
 - 0.1 to 1.0 microcoulomb singly-charged Ne
 - 1 MV initial acceleration, $\beta \sim 0.01$
 - 200 MHz, 100 bunches, 6×10^{10} particles/bunch
 - Solenoid focusing, several Tesla
 - Helical accelerating structure

Helix Geometry and Field Fall-off

Sheath radius 6 cm to accommodate beam

$v/c = 0.01 \Rightarrow$ winding pitch 0.57 degrees

Turn-turn spacing 0.38 cm

Longitudinal Field is $E_z \sim I_0(kr)$

$$\text{where } k = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\pi}{L}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{\omega}{c}\right)^2} \approx \frac{2\pi}{\beta\lambda}$$

L here is the periodicity of the field, $k \sim 4.2/\text{cm}$

For $a = 6 \text{ cm}$, $I_0(0) = 1$, $I_0(ka) \sim 6 \times 10^{-9}$

Therefore, no E_z on axis

For 20 MHz, $I_0(ka) = 3.3$; 2 MHz, $I_0(ka) = 1.02$

Longitudinal Fields in the Bunch

Leading term: (less valid for $z_b < a$)

$$E_z \approx \frac{gc}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c} \frac{2\rho}{z_b}, \quad \rho = \frac{Q_{bunch}}{z_b}, \quad g = 1 + 2 \ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

where $\beta\lambda = 1.5$ cm, $z_b \sim .25$ cm for 60 degree bunch

For 10^{-8} coulomb in a single bunch (100 bunches) and a geometry factor $g \sim 2$,

$$E_z = 58 \text{ MV/m}$$

Alternative Calculation of Self-Fields

Potential well of d.c. beam

$$V_{well} = \frac{30 I}{\beta}, \quad E_z \approx \frac{V_{well}}{z_b/2}$$

This gives a value of 28 MV/m.

On inspection, this is the same as the previous formula for E_z , except the geometry factor g is omitted.

Bunching Process Itself

- Beam must be bunched before it can be accelerated
- Kick buncher? Adiabatic buncher? What?
- Even if self-fields not an issue, both will produce at least a 1% momentum spread
- Kick buncher acceptance probably $< 50\%$
- Adiabatic bunching takes a long time (space, distance)
- But self-fields will prevent adequate bunching anyway

Check the Focusing

Model Ne^{+1} , $v/c = 0.01$ d.c.beam in a solenoidal field

Match $\Leftrightarrow$ minimize envelope oscillations

KV approximation $\Rightarrow$ no stay-clear

Paraxial equation (accelerating terms omitted)

$$r'' = \left(\frac{e}{m_0 c^2} \right) \left[\frac{-r}{4} \left(\frac{e}{m_0 c^2} \right) \frac{1}{\gamma} (Bc)^2 + \frac{I}{2\pi \epsilon_0 \beta^2 \gamma r} \right] + \frac{e_{\text{norm}}^2}{\beta^2 \gamma^2 r^3}$$

DC current (amps)	Solenoidal Field (T)	Envelope (cm)
2	4	2.5
10	4	5.7
2	6	1.7
10	6	3.9
10	8	2.7

SC Solenoid required, but actual helix radius will need to be even larger than 6 cm, or field larger than 4 T.

Lower the Frequency?

- Lowering the RF frequency will lower the gradient
- Lower limit is a single bunch, with a ramped field
 - This is Dick Brigg's solution already
- The non-RF, single-bunch solution looks much more favorable than trying to make RF work.
- Even so, check the $I_0(kr)$ term over the spectral components of a ramped pulse