# Frontiers of particle accelerators: from subnuclear microscopes to medical instruments, an experience with accelerated beams

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#### WHAT CAN PARTICLE ACCELERATORS DO?



#### HOW DO PARTICLE ACCELERATORS WORK?



#### INTERDISCIPLINARITY OF PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY OF PARTICLE ACCELERATOR



# **PARTICLE ACCELERATOR SOURCES**



#### **BASIC EQUATION FOR PARTICLE ACCELERATORS**

 $\vec{p} = momentum$ 

Beams of charged particles are accelerated with the use of **electric fields** and are deflected, curved, and focused with the use of **magnetic fields**. The basic equation for the description of the acceleration and focusing processes is represented by the **Lorentz Force**.



## **PARTICLE ACCELERATION: ELECTRIC FIELD**

Particles are accelerated through



#### **ACCELERATION: SIMPLE CASE**

The first historical linear particle accelerator was built by the Nobel prize Wilhelm Conrad Röntgen (1900). It consisted in a vacuum tube containing a cathode connected to the negative pole of a DC voltage generator. **Electrons emitted by the heated cathode** were accelerated while flowing to another electrode connected to the positive generator pole (anode). Collisions between the energetic electrons and the anode produced **X-rays**.



The **energy gained** by the electrons travelling from the cathode to the anode is equal to their charge multiplied the DC voltage between the two electrodes.

$$\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q\vec{E} \implies \Delta E = q\Delta V$$

$$\vec{p}$$
 = momentum  
 $q$  = charge  
 $E$  = energy

Particle energies are typically expressed in electron-volt [eV], equal to the energy gained by 1 electron accelerated through an electrostatic potential of 1 volt: 1 eV=1.6x10<sup>-19</sup> J



#### PARTICLE VELOCITY VS ENERGY: LIGHT AND HEAVY PARTICLES

β



$$\beta = \sqrt{1 - 1/\gamma^{2}}$$

$$\gamma = 1/\sqrt{1 - \beta^{2}} \qquad (m = \gamma m_{0})$$

$$W = (\gamma - 1)m_{0}c^{2} \approx \frac{1}{2}m_{0}v^{2} \quad if \ \beta << 1$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{\gamma^{2}}} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{E_{0}}{E}\right)^{2}} = \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{E_{0}}{E_{0} + W}\right)^{2}}$$

⇒Light particles (as electrons) are practically fully relativistic ( $\beta \cong 1$ ,  $\gamma >>1$ ) at relatively low energy and reach a constant velocity (~c). The acceleration process occurs at constant particle velocity

 ⇒Heavy particles (protons and ions) are typically weakly relativistic and reach a constant
 0 velocity only at very high energy. The velocity changes a lot during acceleration process.

 $\Rightarrow$ This implies **important differences** in the technical characteristics of the **accelerating structures**. In particular for protons and ions we need different types of accelerating structures, **optimized for different velocities** and/or the accelerating structure has to vary its geometry to take into account the velocity variation.

# **ELECTROSTATIC ACCELERATORS**

To increase the achievable maximum energy, Van de Graaff invented an electrostatic generator based on a **dielectric belt** transporting positive charges to an isolated electrode hosting an **ion source**. The positive ions generated in a large positive potential were accelerated toward ground by the static electric field.

#### LIMITS OF ELECTROSTATIC ACCELERATORS

DC voltage as large as  $\sim 10$  MV can be obtained (E $\sim 10$  MeV). The main limit in the achievable voltage is the **breakdown** due to **insulation** problems.

#### **APPLICATIONS OF DC ACCELERATORS**

DC particle accelerators are in operation worldwide, typically at V<15MV (E<sub>max</sub>=15 MeV), I<100mA. They are used for:

- $\Rightarrow$  material analysis
- $\Rightarrow$  X-ray production,
- $\Rightarrow$  ion implantation for semiconductors
- $\Rightarrow$  first stage of acceleration (particle sources)

750 kV Cockcroft-Walton Linac2 injector at CERN from 1978 to 1992







# ACCELERATION OF PARTICLES WITH ELECTROSTATIC AND RADIOFREQUENCY FIELDS





**RF field** 



V<10MV (10<sup>7</sup> V)

In these structures the maximum energy is theoretically limited only by the maximum length of the accelerator







#### **RF ACCELERATORS : WIDERÖE "DRIFT TUBE LINAC" (DTL)**



 $\Rightarrow$ If the **length of the tubes** increases with the particle velocity during the acceleration such that the time of flight is kept constant and equal to half of the RF period, the particles are subject to a **synchronous accelerating voltage** and experience an energy gain of  $\Delta E = q\Delta V$  at each gap crossing.

 $\Rightarrow$ In principle a single **RF generator** can be used to indefinitely accelerate a beam, **avoiding the breakdown limitation** affecting the electrostatic accelerators.

 $\Rightarrow$ The Wideroe LINAC is the **first RF LINAC** 





#### ELECTROSTATIC ACCELERATION: CONTINUOUS

We consider the acceleration between two electrodes in DC. **BEAM** 



$$\Rightarrow \Delta E = \int_{gap} \frac{dE}{dz} dz = \int_{gap} qE_z \Rightarrow \Delta E = q\Delta V$$
 energy gain per

## **RF ACCELERATION: BUNCHED**



#### **ACCELERATION WITH HIGH RF FREQUENCIES: RF CAVITIES**

There are two important **consequences** of the previous obtained formulae:



The condition  $L_n << \lambda_{RF}$  (necessary to model the tube as an equipotential region) requires  $\beta << 1$ .  $\Rightarrow$ The Wideröe technique can not be applied to relativistic particles.

$$\frac{\Delta E}{\Delta L} = \frac{q V_{RF}}{L_n} = q E_{RF} = \frac{2q V_{RF}}{\lambda_{RF} \beta_n}$$

Moreover when particles get high velocities the drift spaces get longer and one looses on the efficiency. The **average accelerating** gradient (E<sub>RF</sub> [V/m]) increase pushes towards small  $\lambda_{RF}$  (high frequencies).

High frequency high power sources became available after the  $2^{nd}$  world war pushed by military technology needs (such as radar). However, the concept of equipotential DT can not be applied at small  $\lambda_{RF}$  and the power lost by radiation is proportional to the RF frequency.

As a consequence we must consider accelerating structures different from drift tubes.  $\Rightarrow$ The solution consists of **enclosing the system in a cavity** which resonant frequency matches the RF generator frequency.

 $\Rightarrow$  Each cavity can be independently powered from the RF generator



#### **RF CAVITIES**

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 $\Rightarrow$ High frequency RF accelerating fields are confined in **cavities**.

 $\Rightarrow$ The cavities are **metallic closed volumes** were the e.m fields has a particular spatial configuration (**resonant modes**) whose components, including the accelerating field  $\mathbf{E}_{z}$ , oscillate at some specific frequencies  $\mathbf{f}_{RF}$  (resonant frequency) characteristic of the mode.

 $\Rightarrow$ The modes are excited by **RF generators** that are **coupled to the cavities** through waveguides, coaxial cables, etc...

 $\Rightarrow$ The resonant modes are called **Standing Wave (SW) modes** (spatial fixed configuration, oscillating in time).

 $\Rightarrow$ The spatial and temporal field profiles in a cavity have to be computed (analytically or numerically) **by solving the Maxwell equations** with the proper boundary conditions.



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Courtesy E. Jensen

#### **MULTI-CELL CAVITIES**

The **resonant cavities** are usually grouped in **multi-cell structures**. This choice is motivated by reasons of efficiency and compactness. In a multi-cell structure a single RF coupler is sufficient to excite the field. This implies the use of a reduced number of high-power RF sources, to the benefit of **simplicity and cost** of the accelerator. The coupling between the cells is achieved through irises in each cell and/or through apertures specifically made between the cells (coupling slots).



The working frequencies can go from MHz to ten of GHz depending on the applications

There are both cavities that operate at **room temperature** (typically in copper) and **superconducting** cavities that operate at few K.

The average accelerating gradients that can typically be obtained are of the order of **few 10 MV/m up to more than 100 MV/m**.





#### **ALVAREZ STRUCTURES: EXAMPLES**



CERN LINAC 2 tank 1: 200 MHz 7 m x 3 tanks, 1 m diameter, final energy 50 MeV.





CERN LINAC 4: 352 MHz frequency, Tank diameter 500 mm, 3 resonators (tanks), Length 19 m, 120 Drift Tubes, Energy: 3 MeV to 50 MeV,  $\beta$ =0.08 to 0.31  $\rightarrow$  cell length from 68mm to 264mm.



#### SW AND TW ACCELERATING CAVITIES

 $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q\left(\vec{E} + v \times \vec{B}\right)$ 

To accelerate charged particles, the RF wave must have an **electric field along the direction of propagation of the particle**. There are basically two possibilities:

1-Using **standing wave (SW)** TM010-like modes in a **resonant cavity** (or multiple resonant cavities) in which the beam is synchronous with the resonating field;

2-Using a **travelling wave (TW) disk loaded** structure operating on the TM01-like mode in which the RF wave is co-propagating with the beam with a phase velocity equal to the beam velocity (c for  $e^{-}$ ).





 $\Rightarrow$ The structures are powered by RF generators (typically **klystrons**).

 $\Rightarrow$ The cavities (and the related LINAC technology) can be of different material:

- copper for **normal conducting (NC, typically TW)** cavities;
- Niobium for superconducting cavities (SC, typically SW);



#### **EXAMPLE FABRICATION PROCESS:NC TW STRUCTURES**

The cells and couplers are fabricated with milling machines and lathes starting from OFHC forged or laminated copper with precisions that can be of the order of few um and surface roughness <50 nm.















Tuning and measurements

The cells are then piled up and **brazed** together in vacuum or hydrogen furnace using different alloys at different temperatures (700-1000 C) and/or in different steps.



#### LONGITUDINAL DYNAMICS: PARTICLE OSCILLANTIONS IN LONGITUDINAL PLANE AROUND THE SYNCHRONOUS ONE

 $\Rightarrow$ Let us consider a SW linac structure made by accelerating gaps (like in DTL) or cavities.

 $\Rightarrow$ In each gap we have an accelerating field oscillating in time and an integrated accelerating voltage (V<sub>acc</sub>) still oscillating in time than can be expressed as:

$$V_{acc} = V_{RF} \cos(\omega_{RF} t + \theta)$$

⇒Let's assume that the "perfect" synchronism condition is fulfilled for a phase  $\phi_s$  (called *synchronous phase*). This means that a particle (called *synchronous particle*) entering in a gap with a phase  $\phi_s$  ( $\phi_s = \omega_{RF} t_s$ ) with respect to the RF voltage receive a **energy gain** (and a consequent change in velocity) that allow entering in the subsequent gap with the **same phase**  $\phi_s$  and so on.



#### **PRINCIPLE OF PHASE STABILITY**

 $V_{acc}$ 

⇒Let us consider now the first synchronous phase  $\phi_s$  (on the positive slope of the RF voltage). If we consider **another particle** "near" to the synchronous one **that arrives** later in the gap  $(t_1>t_s, \phi_1>\phi_s)$ , it will see an higher voltage, it will gain an higher energy and an higher velocity with respect to the synchronous one. As a consequence its time of flight to next gap will be shorter, partially **compensating its initial delay**.

⇒Similarly if we consider another particle "near" to the synchronous one that arrives before in the gap ( $t_1 < t_s$ ,  $\phi_1 < \phi_s$ ), it will see a smaller voltage, it will gain a smaller energy and a smaller velocity with respect to the synchronous one. As a consequence its time of flight to next gap will be longer, compensating the initial advantage.

All particles are "stably" grouped and accelerated around the synchr. one

 $\phi_{1} \phi_{s} \phi_{1}$ 

 $\phi_{s}^{*}$ 

# LORENTZ FORCE: ACCELERATION AND FOCUSING

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**Transverse Dynamics** 





#### **MAGNETIC FIELD: DEFLECTION AND FOCUSING**

With **magnetic fields** it is possible to **bend** charged particles (moving at speed v) and it is possible to **focus** them keeping the particles confined inside in the vacuum chamber.

 $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q\left(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}\right)$ 

**E. O. Lawrence (1930)** had the idea to curve particles on a circular trajectory in order to pass many times in the same accelerating system gaining energy at each passage





Particles traveling in a **linear accelerator** pass through the accelerating structure only **once**, while in a **circular accelerato**r they pass into the same cavity **several times** and at each turn, bunches gain energy thanks to the RF accelerating electric field.

## **DIPOLES: DEFLECTION**

Dipoles allow to curve the trajectory of the particles. They can be made with **permanent magnets** or electromagnets (iron poles with **current coils**).



**Exercise**: calculate the magnetic field necessary to bend the DAFNE electron beam (510 MeV) to a circular trajectory of about 100 m.

#### **SUPERCONDUCTORS**

Electromagnetic dipoles are used to obtain B field up to about 1-2 T. For larger field superconducting magnets are necessary Electrical resistivity (mΩcm) Superconducting materials below a certain temperature (of the order of few Kelvin) offer a negligible resistance to the passage of the current. Superconducting transition temperature They can be used to build magnets with B field up to 10 T. At temperatures lower than this, a zero resistivity state exists 0.2 5



These temperatures are obtained by cooling the conductors with a refrigerator device that uses superfluid He: the cryostat.

# CYCLOTRONS (1/2)

In cyclotrons acceleration is achieved by an alternating electric field between two or more electrodes immersed in a constant dipolar magnetic field (E.O.Lawrence-1930). beam vacuum chamber Magnetic field bends high frequency B >dees path of charged particle. input  $\overline{V} = \hat{V} \cos(\omega_{RF} t)$ ion source Square wave electric field accelerates charge at each gap crossing. Energy gain at each gap  $\Delta E = q\hat{V}\cos\phi$ passage

The **synchronism** between the accelerating field and the particles is maintained if the relation is satisfied:

$$f_{RF} = h f_{rev} = h \frac{qB}{2\pi m}$$

Standard cyclotrons have a **constant**  $f_{RF}$  and, therefore, this synchronism is perfectly maintained only in the case of **non-relativistic particles** (m = m0 = constant)

# CYCLOTRONS (2/2)



Since cyclotrons accelerate particles on a circular (spiral) path, it is possible to obtain **long distances in a small space**.

It can be fed with a single and relatively cheap electronic system.

The main problem is that, in order to obtain high energies, it is necessary to increase the diameter of the vacuum chamber and of the magnet

It finds many applications in the **first ion acceleration**.

The cyclotron was designed with the intention to **overcome the limitations of linear accelerator**.

At that time (1930) it was not possible to generate radiofrequency field at high frequency and high power, so to obtain high energies it was necessary to build long accelerators and, beyond a certain limit, too expensive.



https://youtu.be/cutKuFxeXmQ

# **MAGNETIC QUADRUPOLE**

Quadrupoles are used to focalize the beam in the transverse plane. It is a 4 poles magnet:

 $\Rightarrow$ B=0 in the center of the quadrupole

 $\Rightarrow$ The **B** intensity increases linearly with the off-axis displacement.

 $\Rightarrow$ If the quadrupole is focusing in one plane is defocusing in the other plane



Electromagnetic quadrupoles G <50-100 T/m



## **TRANSVERSE FOCUSING:** $\beta$ **-FUNCTION**

A quadrupole focus in one plane and de-focus in the other plane.

To obtain the **overall focus** of a particle beam along a transport channel or in a circular accelerator it is necessary to use a sequence of quadrupoles with the alternating sign.

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This configuration is able to guarantee **stable trajectories**.



coordinate

#### **SOLENOID**

Also solenoids can be used for focalization of beams (in particular electron beams).



Particles that enter into a solenoidal field with a transverse component of the velocity (divergence) start to **spiralize describing circular trajectories**.

#### LINAC AND SYNCHROTRON

A typical LINAC is, in conclusion, an **alternating sequence** of accelerating **sections**, **quadrupoles**, **diagnostic elements** (that allow the measurement of the beam position, profile, charge, etc...) and **pumping systems**. Vacuum in a particle accelerator is typically on the order of 10<sup>-8</sup>-10<sup>-10</sup> mbar. If such pressures were not reached, the particles would be lost due to impacts with the gas molecules. They can be of few m up to km...



By **dipoles** the beam can also be circulated in a ring. A single **accelerating cavity** accelerate the particles at each passage. These machines are called **synchrotrons**.





# **CIRCULAR ACCELERATORS: SYNCHROTRON**

**Synchrotron is a circular particle accelerator**. In synchrotrons, the particles describe closed orbits thanks to the use of dipoles. The accelerating electric field is synchronized with the particle beam so that at each subsequent passage in cavities they increase their energy.

DIPOLES: bend the particles and determine the reference circular trajectory QUADRUPOLES: keep the oscillations of all the particles around the reference trajectory and inside the vacuum chamber SESTUPOLES: correct the chromatic effect of the quadrupoles CAVITY RF: accelerates the beam VACUUM CHAMBER AND PUMPING DIAGNOSTICS





## **ACCELERATION IN A SYNCHROTRON**

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The **electric field** in the cavity accelerates particles.

It can not be electrostatic but has to **oscillate** otherwise, in one complete turn, a particle would gain energy in the cavity and lose it in the remaining part of the accelerator-principle (electrostatic field is conservative)


## **REVOLUTION PERIOD AND HARMONIC NUMBER**



h is called the **harmonic number** and is equal to the number of "bunches" of particles that can be simultaneously accelerated in the synchrotron.

$$T_{rev} = hT_{RF}$$



The time necessary to complete one turn is called **revolution period**  $(T_{rev})$ 



## **ACCELERATION, ENERGY AND SPEED**



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Longitudinal Dynamics

 $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = q\left(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B}\right)$  $\vec{v} = velocitv$ q = charge**BENDING AND FOCUSING ACCELERATION**  $2^{nd}$  term always perpendicular to motion => no To accelerate, we need a force in the energy gain direction of motion beam +qN

## **MAGNETIC FIELD**

The energy increase at each turn has to correspond to an **increase in the intensity of the magnetic field of the dipoles** (B) in order to keep the particles always on the same orbit.



SYNCHRONOUS PARTICLE

The **synchronous particle** is the particle that at each turn:

1) has the **nominal energy** that Turn 1 Turn 2 allows it to always describe the  $V_{\rm RF}$ same reference orbit; it always enters the cavity with 2) the same phase with respect to the accelerating voltage (synchronous phase) and always sees the same accelerating  $t_1$  $t_2$ time voltage, gaining the same energy.

## NON SYNCHRONOUS PARTICLE

The **motion of a non-synchronous particle** ("near" in position and energy to the synchronous one) can be described with the two following variables:



## SYNCHROTRON OSCILLATIONS

We can consider a particle entering the cavity after synchronous one.

The **accelerating field** seen by the particle is **larger** than that seen by the synchronous particle.

This increased acceleration corresponds to an **increase in speed** and, therefore, at the next turn it will have recovered part of its "disadvantage" and will be closer.

On the other hand, if a particle arrives before the synchronous particle in the cavity it sees a voltage smaller and will gain less energy.

In other words all particles oscillate around the synchronous one.

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These oscillations are called **synchrotron oscillations** and the corresponding frequency is called synchrotron frequency.



#### SYNCHKOTKON OSCILLATIONS IN THE PHASE SPACE

It is clear that the accelerating voltage acts like a restoring force similar to that of a spring





In the plane  $(\tau, \varepsilon)$  referred as "longitudinal phase space", a non-synchronous particle describes an ellipse with a frequency equal to the synchrotron frequency. Typical synchrotron frequencies are of the order of tens of kHz.

$$f_s = f_{RF} \sqrt{\frac{\alpha_c V_{RF\_s}}{2\pi h E_s (eV)}}$$

 $f_{\rm RF}$  RF frequency

 $\alpha_c$  momentum compaction  $\alpha_c = \frac{(L_E - L_{E_s})/L_{E_s}}{(E - E_s)/E_s}$ 

 $V_{RF s}$  accelerating voltage

- *h* harmonic number
- $E_s$  particle energy

#### **BUNCH LENGTH, ENERGY SPREAD AND EMITTANCE**

The **N particles of the bunch** are distributed around the synchronous particle and oscillate around it describing ellipses.



## **TRANSVERSE PHASE SPACE AND EMITTANCE**

Similarly to what we have in the longitudinal plane also in the transverse plane the particles perform oscillations (called **betatron oscillations**) due to the force provided by quadrupoles.



The area in the phase space occupied by the bunch is called **transverse emittance** 

#### **EXPERIMENT WITH e- BEAM**



#### **EXERCISE: CALCULATIONS**

 $\Delta V = 300V$ 

Acceleration: calculate the particle velocity

$$e\Delta V = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \Rightarrow v = \sqrt{2\frac{e}{m}\Delta V} \Rightarrow v = 10.27 \cdot 10^6 m/s$$
  
 $\beta = 0.034$ 



Deflection: calculate the radius of curvature with B=2mT

$$B = 2 \cdot 10^{-3} T \Longrightarrow \rho = \frac{mv}{Be} \cong 3cm$$



## WHAT CAN PARTICLE ACCELERATORS DO?



## **MEDICAL APPLICATIONS: RADIOISOTOPE PRODUCTION**

Production of radioisotopes: protons of 7-100 MeV accelerated with cyclotrons or linacs (50 type of isotopes, used for diagnostics and treatment are produced with accelerators)

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**PET**: Positron Emission Tomography

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un positrone e un neutrino

## **MEDICAL APPLICATIONS: RADIOTHERAPY**

#### One irradiate tumors woth X-rays or electrons

Metallic sheet for X ray production

















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## **MEDICAL APPLICATIONS: ADROTHERAPY**

Anti-tumor therapy based on irradiation with protons and heavy ions (C). It is more effective and more localized (Bragg resonance) than that based on electrons or X-rays

Specialized centers: CNAO in Pavia, PSI in Zurich, Loma Linda in California, Japan, ...



# **INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS**



#### **Treatment of polymeric materials: cross-linking**

These industrial treatments increase the performances of the materials in terms of resistance to heat, elasticity, etc ...





**Sterilization and irradiation of food** for conservation ("cold pasteurization")



Ion implantation (semiconductors)



## **ENERGY PRODUCTION WITH ACCELERATORS**

An ADS (Accelerator Driven System) is a subcritical fission nuclear reactor driven by a highenergy proton accelerator (600 MeV-1GeV). The neutrons needed to sustain the fission process are provided by the particle accelerator

Advantages:

-Use **thorium as fuel**, much more abundant than uranium and plutonium

- **short life of waste products** (of the order of 100 years against the hundreds of thousands of years of current reactors).

- intrinsically safe reaction (controlled fission)





Proceedings of Linear Accelerator Conference LINAC2010, Tsukuba, Japan

#### PROTON LINAC FOR ADS APPLICATION IN CHINA



Some laboratory experiments and many theoretical studies have demonstrated the feasibility of this plant. **Carlo Rubbia**, was one of the first to conceive a project of a subcritical reactor, the socalled "**energy amplifier**".

In 2012, CERN engineers launched the International Thorium Energy Committee (iThEC) to promote this goal.

# **MATERIALS TESTS FOR NUCLEAR FUSION REACTORS**

Diagnostics

CEA Saclay

In a future nuclear fusion reactor the generated neutron flux is of the order of 10<sup>18</sup> m<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> with an energy of 14.1 MeV that collide against the inner walls of the reactor itself



The International Fusion Materials Irradiation Facility (IFMIF) is a test facility for testing materials that can be used in a fusion reactor. It is a neutron source based on a deuterium accelerator which colliding *CEA Saclay* against the lithium atoms produces a flow of neutrons similar to that foreseen in the first wall of a fusion reactor.





## **EXPLORING MATTER WITH SMALL WAVELENGTH**



## **PHOTONS WITH DIFFERENT WAVELENGTH: X RAYS**



## WHY X-RAYS ARE SO IMPORTANT?



#### **CAN ACCELERATED PARTICLES EMIT X-RAYS?**

A **charged particle** at a given energy which is bent by a dipole magnet emits electromagnetic radiation (**synchrotron light**).

The radiated energy is related to the fourth power of the **particle relativistic factor**  $\gamma$ . It follows that **only electron machines** (light particles) basically emit photons (except LHC!).







Radiation Simulator - T. Shintake, @ http://www-xfel.spring8.or.jp/Index.htm




















































# **PROPERTIES OF THE SYNCHROTRON RADIATION**

Synchrotron radiation is emitted in a **broad spectrum**. The critical wavelength identifies the **peak of the spectrum** and is a function of the electron energy ( $\gamma^3$ ).







 $P_{rad} = \frac{2}{3} \frac{cq^2}{4\pi\varepsilon_0} \frac{\beta^4 \gamma^4}{\rho^2}$ 



http://www.isa.au.dk/animations/animations.asp



http://www.isa.au.dk/animations/animations.asp

#### **BRIGHTNESS OF A PHOTON SOURCE**



#### **EUROPEAN SYNCHROTRON SOURCES**













# Laser ad elettroni liberi: Free Electron Lasers (FEL)

I Laser ad Elettroni Liberi sono *potenti sorgenti di radiazione elettromagnetica coerente* (microonde, UV, raggi X) con *alta potenza di picco e alta brillanza* (ordini di grandezza superiori agli anelli di luce di sincrotrone).

Un **LINAC ad e- accelera pacchetti** di elettroni di alta qualità (brillanza) che, entrando nell'ondulatore, generano radiazione EM coerente, con un'amplificazione esponenziale.

All'interno degli ondulatori si ha in particolare una interazione luce emessa-elettroni del pacchetto che porta ad un fenomeno di **autoimpacchettamento** (**micro-buncing**) del pacchetto di elettroni su scala della lunghezza d'onda della radiazione emessa. I vari elettroni impacchettati emettono così coerentemente.

Tale tipo di radiazione ha e n o r m i applicazioni poiché consente a n a l i s i d i strutture anche non cristallizzate.





### FEL: video



# FEL: RADIAZIONE COERENTE ED IMPULSI ULTRA-CORTI

⇒la **radiazione coerente** emessa da un FEL consente di «fotografare» anche molecole o sistemi non cristallizzati ⇒con i FEL è possibile generare **impulsi ultra-corti** (fs) con cui è possibile «filmare» movimenti di molecole, passaggi di carica etc...







Inhibited Trypanosoma brucei Cathepsin B Structure Determined by Using an Xray Laser, L. Redecke et al. Science 339, 227 (2013)





Imaging single mimivirus Seibert et al, *Nature*, 470, 78 (2011)

Courtesy C. Pellegrini and J. Stohr

# **FEL nel mondo**



## GAUSSIAN DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRON BUNCHES IN ELECTRON RINGS

The **synchrotron light emission** in electron (or positron) rings leads to a series of **consequences**:

At the end we arrive at a situation of equilibrium between these two opposite phenomena which tends to make the electrons bunches with a gaussian profile



The particles lose energy at each turn and this energy must be supplied to the beam by the **accelerating cavity** to avoid that the particles, becoming less energetic, are lost.

Since the emission depends on the energy of the particle, there is a **damping effect** on the amplitude of the synchrotron oscillation (radiation damping) which would tend to bring all the particles on the synchronous phase (damped oscillator system).



On the other hand, since radiation is emitted in the form of quanta of light, it generates a "noise" (**quantum excitation**) that would tend to increase the amplitude of the oscillation.

#### **PHOTONS WITH DIFFERENT WAVELENGTH:** γ-RAYS





#### **ACCELERATOR BASED NEUTRON SOURCES**



## **FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICS: COLLIDERS**



# PARTICLE ACCELERATORS: SUB-ATOMIC MICROSCOPES AND TIME MACHINES

The **collisions** between two beams of particles or between a beam of particles and a target...

provide information on the ultimate "brick" of our universe and on their laws (microscope)







Recreating higher and higher energy densities, allow to go back to the first moments of Universe life and to study its evolution (time machine)



# **COLLISIONS: ENERGY OR ENERGY DENSITY?**

The eV represents a very small amount of energy  $1 \text{ eV} = 1 \text{ V} \times 1.6$ ?  $10^{-19} \text{ C} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$   $1 \text{ MeV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$  $1 \text{ GeV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J}$  A 600 g iron bullet shot at 300 m/s has an energy of 27000 J



But every single proton or neutron of the bullet has a very small kinetic energy  $27000/N_{p+n} \approx 8 \cdot 10^{-22} J \approx 0.005 eV!$ 



In an accelerator such as LHC for each proton we reach an energy up to 7 TeV  $(7x10^{12} \text{ eV})!$ 

The **energy density available** for nuclear or sub-nuclear reactions is enormous!

#### **DEVELOPMENT OF PARTICLE ACCELERATORS**

The ability to "create" new particles and "break" the nuclear structure increases with energy and with the amount of particles involved in the interaction.



The development of accelerators for high-energy physics has been determined by the need to obtain **energy and intensities** larger and larger.



#### PARTICLE PHYSICS WITH ACCELERATORS: COLLISIONS ON TARGETS



1) Matter is "empty": what has not interacted is lost;

2) The target is **complex**: many of the particles produced are only background for the experiment;

3) The detector is "Anisotropic" (one side);

4) Part of the energy of the particle beam is **not "used"** in the interaction and remains in the Center of Mass of the moving system;

## **BIRTH OF THE MODERN COLLIDERS: TOUSCHEK**

The brilliant idea of **Bruno Touschek** (1960) was to use colliding particles and antiparticles that, in their annihilation, would release all their energy to create new particles. Furthermore, the collision products would have been relatively "simple" compared to those produced by collisions against a complex target.





#### **AVAILABLE ENERGY IN THE INTERACTION**



#### AdA (Anello di Accumulazione) 1960-1965

AdA is made of a weak focusing magnet able to circulate particles (e+/e-) with an energy of 250 MeV.



Length of orbit . . . 408  $^{\rm cm}$ MHzRadio frequency (k=2) = 147Radio voltage . . . . kV10 Length of bunches . . . 16.7cmRadial width of bunches .22 $^{\mathrm{cm}}$ Height of bunches (at  $10^{-10}$  mm) . . . . . 5.6  $\cdot 10^{-4}$  em Radiation loss/revolution 580 eV Lifetime of beam at h

#### IL NUOVO CIMENTO

#### The Frascati Storage Ring.

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(ricevuto il 7 Novembre 1960)



Fig. 1. - Elevation and plan section of the Frascati Storage Ring (anello di accumulazione - AdA): 1) magnet yoko: 2) magnet core; 3) coils; 4) polopiecos: 5) doughaut: 6) titatima pamp; 7) injection ports; 8) RF cavity; 9) experimental section; 10) windows for the observation of the synchroteco radiation; 11) vacuum gauge.



Trace of the first electrons accumulated in AdA. The average life was 21 sec, the average number 2.3.

#### ADONE (1967-1993)

From the success of Ada it was decided to build a ring at higher energy (1.5 GeV per beam, 105 m): ADONE.



The construction of the new machine began in **1963** and the first electron was stored in 1967. A LINAC of 350 MeV was used as an injector. The maximum current circulating in ADONE was **100 mA in 3 bunches**. The luminosity target was reached:  $3x10^{29}$  cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>. ADONE was **switched off the 26 April 1993**.

#### THE FRASCATI $\Phi$ -FACTORY: DA $\Phi$ NE


#### $\Phi\text{-FACTORY COMPLEX}$



Google image

#### FEW DA $\Phi$ NE DAFNE PARAMETERS



I<sub>MAX</sub>

2.5 A (ring e<sup>-</sup>)

# PARTICLE PHYSICS @DA $\Phi$ NE

From the  $e^{-}/e^{+}$  collision at the energy of 1.02 GeV the  $\Phi$  particle is produce. This particle decades in kaons (K).



Kaons are used in the experiments: KLOE (KLOE 2), FINUDA, DEAR e SIDDHARTA (SIDDHARTA 2)



### **CROSS SECTION AND COLLIDER LUMINOSITY**

Two particles (e+/e- in DA $\Phi$ NE, for example) colliding can produce **different types of events**, with different **probability**. The cross section  $\sigma$  of a given event is proportional to the probability that the event occurs and is measured in cm<sup>2</sup>.

With respect to a given event, everything goes as if the **particles are small disks** with a finite "area"  $\sigma$  (measured in cm<sup>2</sup>). The interaction occurs if the two particles "touch" each other.

*Event with low probability.* Low cross section

*Event with high probability.* High cross section

The cross sections are typically very small, in fact the unit of measurement of the area  $\sigma$  is the barn. Dimensionally one barn is an area equal to  $10^{-28}$  m<sup>2</sup> or  $10^{-24}$  cm<sup>2</sup>

In a collider, the frequency with which a given events occur can be expressed as the product  $L\sigma$  where L is called **collider luminosity.** 

It is possible to demonstrate that **luminosity** of a collider can be calculated by the overlay integral of the two beams of particles in the 4-dimensini (x, y, z, t). It is, in conclusion, a measure of how many beam-beam interactions we are producing

 $\mathcal{L} = f_c \int \int \int \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \varrho^+(x, y, s + ct) \varrho^-(x, y, s - ct) 2cdt \, ds \, dx \, dy$ 



up to few  $\mu$  (or even less)

















#### LUMINOSITY: EXAMPLE

Particle  $\Phi$  generation @ DA $\Phi$ NE



# LEP (LARGE ELECTRON POSITRON) CERN 1988-2001

#### LEP1

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#### LEP2

1995 Superconducting cavities installation **E**<sub>CM</sub> = **209 GeV** 



# LHC (LARGE HADRON COLLIDER) CERN

#### LHC main parameters

Colliding particles proton-proton but also ions (Pb-Pb)

Max Energy per beam7 TeVNumber of bunches2808Crossing angle300  $\mu$ radEmittance $5x10^{-10}$  mIP transv. Dim. ( $\sigma_x = \sigma_y$ )16  $\mu$ mMachine length27.8 KmB\_{MAX dipoles}~8 T with

5x10<sup>-10</sup> m 16 μm 27.8 Km ~8 T with I= 11700 A @T = 1.9 K







Overall view of the LHC experiments



#### LHC TUNNEL



#### **ENERGY AND LUMINOSITY: COLLIDER DEVELOPMENT**

The development of colliders followed two different directions:

-higher and higher energies (discovering machines, LHC,...)

-higher and higher luminosities (to increase the number of events and to perform precise measurements)



#### **MAIN R&D LINES ON PARTICLES ACCELERATORS**

There are several R&D lines on particle accelerator physics and technology that we can summarize as follows:



#### LIMITS OF HIGH ENERGY CIRCULAR MACHINES

Hadron colliders (p,...)





The maximum magnetic fields reachable with superconducting magnets could be 18-20 T (8 T LHC) Larger and larger machines are required to increase energy





Lepton colliders The limit even more than the maximum radius of curvature is given by the **power lost by synchrotron light emission** 



**linear accelerator** with high accelerating field







# HIGH ACCELERATING FIELD $\Rightarrow$ HIGH FREQUENCY

The basic idea is to **concentrate electromagnetic energy** in smaller volumes to increase its density and, therefore, the value of the accelerating field.

... Compatibly with:

-Available Electromagnetic sources

-Dissipation on the structures

- Discharges limits (breakdown)



### **METALLIC STRUCTURES**

Metallic structures working at 12 GHz can reach up to 100-150 MV/ m accelerating field gradient with a small number of discharges. At higher frequencies commercial power sources are not available.





#### **DIELECTRIC STRUCTURES POWERED BY LASERS**

**Lasers** are intense pulsed sources of electromagnetic field and at the working frequencies of lasers  $(10^{13}-10^{15}$ Hz) metallic structures cannot be used (dissipation,...)



#### Dielectric structures can be used

# PROBLEMS RELATED TO HIGH FREQUENCY STRUCTURES

High gradient (**100 MV/m**) **X-band LINAC** can be designed and fabricated but, in order to reach energies up to **1 TeV a few km LINAC is necessary.** 

On the other hand **miniaturized structures** (dielectric) allow in principle reaching even larger gradients but there are several problems still not solved like:

-the **amount of charge and beams dimensions** that is possible to accelerate

-Synchronization and total available length for acceleration: remember that the gradient is important but also the total length of the structure (a 1mm structure at 1GV/m gives 1MeV energy gain!)

-Quality of the accelerating field (with respect to RF structures)

-Alignment and stabilization problems

-wakefield instabilities





#### **PLASMA ACCELERATORS (see M. Ferrario lecture)**



# **ACCELERAZIONE LASER-PLASMA (LWFA)**



#### ACCELERAZIONE LASER-PLASMA: MULTI-GeV LINAC



### **ULTRA-HIGH INTENSITY LASER FACILITIES**



## **ULTRA-HIGH INTENSITY LASER FACILITIES**



# SPARC\_LAB @LNF

#### (Sources for Plasma Accelerators and Radiation Compton with Lasers And Beams)

Anche ai LNF abbiamo un acceleratore dedicato ad esperimenti di: FEL, accelerazione al plasma, Generazione di radiazione THz e radiazione Compton.



#### **STUDIES AT CERN ON FUTURE COLLIDERS**



	hadron collider parameters
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Parameter	FCC-hh		SPPC	LHC	HL LHC
collision energy cms [TeV]	100		71.2	14	
dipole field [T]	16		20	8.3	
# IP	2 main & 2		2	2 main & 2	
bunch intensity [1011]	1	1 (0.2)	2	1.1	2.2
bunch spacing [ns]	25	25 (5)	25	25	25
luminosity/lp [1034 cm-2s-1]	5	~25	12	1	5
events/bunch crossing	170	~850 (170)	400	27	135
stored energy/beam [GJ]		8.4	6.6	0.36	0.7
synchrotron radiation [W/m/aperture]	30		58	0.2	0.35

Future Circular Collider Study Michael Bonsdikt Academic Training, 2 February 2016





#### 12 GHz (X-band): 100 MV/m





#### CONCLUSIONS

⇒PARTICLE ACCELERATORS REMAIN ONE OF THE MOST POWERFUL INSTRUMENTS IN FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICS RESEARCH, PHYSICS OF MATTER AND PARTICLES WITH MANY APPLICATIONS IN MEDICAL AND INDUSTRIAL FIELDS.

⇒A **JUMP IN TECHNOLOGY IS NECESSARY** AND NEW IDEAS AND IMPORTANT RESULTS OPENED NEW AND PROMISING WAYS

→THE R&D IN THE PHYSICS AND TECHNOLOGY OF PARTICLE ACCELERATORS REMAINS ONE OF THE MOST EXCITING FIELDS OF RESEARCH IN APPLIED PHYSICS IN WHICH **FANTASY AND CREATIVITY** ARE THE FUNDAMENTAL INGREDIENTS... AND...



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#### 3) LONGITUDINAL DYNAMICS IN SYNCROTRONS

<u>Synchrotrons</u> are <u>circular accelerators</u>. Particles are bended by <u>dipolar magnets</u>, while acceleration is provided by <u>standing wave RF cavities</u>.

Differently from LINACs, in synchrotrons the particles run over closed orbits so that they are accelerated by the RF cavities in a very large number of turns.

Since the **beam energy** and **momentum** increase turn by turn, the bending **magnetic field** has to be **increased proportionally** to the **momentum**, in order to keep invariant the bending radii and the orbit. The revolution frequency also increases with energy, which requires variation of the RF frequency to maintain the synchronization between beam and accelerating field.

#### Synchronous particle and phase

The <u>synchronous particle</u> is the particle that undergoes the *ideal acceleration process*, gaining a **constant** amount of **energy**  $\Delta W$  **per turn** remaining all the time on the design orbit. While running the n<sup>th</sup> turn, the synchronous particle has to have the proper energy to perfectly satisfy the following condition:



The particle velocity increases turn by turn during acceleration (and tends asyntotically to the speed of light at high energies), and so it does the revolution frequency ( $F_{rev}$ ). As a consequence <u>the frequency of the RF system ( $f_{RF}$ )</u> must change to be synchronous with the beam motion.

$$\Delta W_s \Big|_n = \Delta W_s = q \hat{V} \cos\left(\int_0^{t_n} 2\pi f_{RF} dt + \varphi_0\right)$$

Energy gain of the synchronous particle due to the n<sup>th</sup> passage in the RF cavity

<u>synchronous phase</u> (invariant)





Synchronization between accelerating field and synchronous particle requires:

$$f_{\rm RF}\Big|_n = hF_{rev\_s}\Big|_n$$

#### <u>harmonic number</u>

Corresponds to the number of time-separated synchronous particles that can be accelerated in the synchrotron

#### B and $f_{RF}$ variations during acceleration





Exercise : let's des	Injection		
Particle	Protons	$p(t) \div \gamma(t) \cdot \beta(t) \div B_{in} + \dot{B} \cdot t$	
Rest energy	W <sub>0</sub> = 938 MeV		radius p
Injection energy	Win = 10 MeV $\gamma_{in} \approx 1.01$ $\beta_{in} \approx 0.14$	$W(t) \div \gamma(t); \ W_k(t) \div \gamma(t) - f_{rev}(t) \div \beta(t)$	1 Bending Magnets
Extraction energy	$W_{out} = 400 \text{ MeV}$ $\gamma_{out} \approx 1.43$ $\beta_{out} \approx 0.71$		Extraction
B field @ extraction	B <sub>max</sub> = 1.0 T	1,2	
Bending radius	ρ ≈ 3.2 m		
B field @ inction	B <sub>in</sub> = 0.14 T	1	$\gamma\beta \neq p$
Total length	L= 40 m (2πρ + 4d)	0,8	
RF kick Voltage	V·cos(φ <sub>s</sub> ) ≈ 1 kV		
Magnetic field slope	dB/dt = 7.81 T/s	0,6	$\beta \div f_{rev}$
Energy ramp duration	T <sub>ramp</sub> ≈ 110 ms	0.4	
Number of turns	N <sub>turna</sub> ≈ 390000		
Revolution frequency	f <sub>rev</sub> ≈ 1.7 MHz in ≈ 5.0 MHz out	0,2	$\gamma - 1 \div W_{k}$
RF frequency	$f_{RF} = f_{rev}$ (h=1)	0 20 40	60 80 100 120

#### "Momentum compaction" and transition energy

The relative orbit length variation for a given relative particle momentum variation in a circular, transversely focused accelerator is property of ring magnetic guide called *"momentum compaction"* factor  $\alpha$  :

$$\alpha = \frac{dL/L}{dP/P} = \frac{1}{L} \oint \frac{Disp(z)}{\rho(z)} dz$$

while the relative revolution frequency variation for a given relative particle momentum variation is called "slippage **factor**"  $\eta$  :





Momentum compation factors are usually positive ( $\alpha$ >0) in circular accelerators, so that **<u>below transition energy</u>** particle revolution frequency increases with energy (the velocity increase dominates the orbit length increase). On the contrary, **beyond transition energy** revolution frequency decreases while energy increases (since v≅c and orbit length variation dominates in this case).
## Non-synchronous particles: phase-energy equations

For a <u>non-synchronous</u> particle we may define the following quantities to measure the deviation respect to the synchronous particle at the n<sup>th</sup> turn:

Turn-by-turn evolution of energy and phase of nonsynchronous particle is described by the following equations:

| dt

 $F_{rev}\Big|_{n} = F_{rev}\Big|_{n} + f_{rev}\Big|_{n}$   $\Rightarrow \phi\Big|_{n} = \phi_{s}\Big|_{n} + \phi\Big|_{n}$   $P\Big|_{n} = P_{s}\Big|_{n} + p\Big|_{n}$   $W\Big|_{n} = W_{s}\Big|_{n} + w\Big|_{n}$ 

Deviations of revolution frequency, phase , energy, etc., respect to the synchronous particle:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi|_{n} - \varphi|_{n-1} &= 2\pi h F_{rev\_s}|_{n-1} T_{rev}|_{n-1} = 2\pi h F_{rev\_s}|_{n-1} \frac{1}{F_{rev}|_{n-1}} \approx -2\pi h f_{rev}|_{n-1} T_{rev\_s}|_{n-1} \Rightarrow \frac{\varphi|_{n} - \varphi|_{n-1}}{T_{rev\_s}|_{n-1}} = -2\pi h f_{rev}|_{n-1} \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d\varphi}{dt} &\approx -2\pi h f_{rev\_s} \approx -\frac{2\pi h \eta F_{rev\_s}}{P_{s}} p \Rightarrow \frac{d\varphi}{dt} = -\frac{2\pi h \eta}{LP_{s}} w \\ w|_{n} - w|_{n-1} &= q \hat{V}(\cos \phi_{n} - \cos \phi_{s}|_{n}) = q \hat{V}[\cos(\phi_{s}|_{n} + \varphi_{n}) - \cos \phi_{s}|_{n}] \Rightarrow \frac{w|_{n} - w|_{n-1}}{T_{rev\_s}} = q \hat{V}F_{rev\_s}[\cos(\phi_{s}|_{n} + \varphi|_{n}) - \cos\phi_{s}|_{n}] \Rightarrow \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dw}{dt} = q \hat{V}F_{rev\_s}[\cos(\phi_{s} + \varphi) - \cos\phi_{s}] \end{aligned}$$

## Synchrotron oscillations

If we consider <u>small oscillations</u> around the synchronous phase and slow variations of  $P_s$ ,  $F_{rev_s}$  and  $\eta$ , we easily obtain the equation of an harmonic oscillator whose frequency  $f_s$  is called again <u>synchrotron</u> <u>frequency.</u>

$$\frac{d^2\varphi}{dt^2} - \frac{2\pi h \eta q \hat{V} F_{rev\_s} \sin \phi_s}{LP_s} \varphi = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2\varphi}{dt^2} + (2\pi f_s)^2 \varphi = 0 \qquad f_s = \sqrt{-\frac{h \eta q \hat{V} F_{rev\_s} \sin \phi_s}{2\pi LP_s}}$$

To get *stable oscillations* the following condition have to be fulfilled:

$$\eta \sin \phi_s < 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \gamma < \gamma_{tr} & -\frac{\pi}{2} < \phi_s < 0 \quad (+2n\pi) \\ \gamma > \gamma_{tr} & 0 < \phi_s < \frac{\pi}{2} \quad (+2n\pi) \end{cases}$$

Similarly to the already shown result for the longitudinal dynamics of LINACs, particles oscillate around the synchronous one with the frequency  $f_s$  and the trajectories of their motion in the longitudinal phase space are ellipses.

However, differently from the LINAC case, the *synchrotron frequency shows a rather complex scaling law with energy:* 

$$f_{s}\Big|_{LINAC} \div (\beta \gamma)^{-3/2} ; f_{s}\Big|_{SINCR} \div |1-\gamma^{2}/\gamma_{t}^{2}|^{1/2} \gamma^{-3/2}$$

If during acceleration the <u>transition</u> <u>energy is crossed</u>, the RF cavity phase has to be rapidly changed in order to preserve the beam longitudinal stability.

