Halo dynamics and control with hollow electron beams

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Halo dynamics and accelerator performance
 Measurements of halo diffusion with collimator scans

- The hollow electron beam collimator
- Effect of the hollow beam collimator on halo diffusion

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Part I: Halo diffusion measurements

Halo dynamics and accelerator performance



Dynamics is in general very rich



Superposition of many effects (some random) can make halo dynamics stochastic

This is often empirically confirmed by relaxation of losses ~ 1/sqrt(t) during collimator setup



Diffusion rate vs. amplitude from collimator scans



1-dimensional diffusion cartoon of collimation



Diffusion model of loss rate evolution in collimator scans

0.04

0.03

0.02

0.01

Time [s]

0

0.25

0.5

0.75

10

2050

160

320

Distribution function [µm⁻¹]

collimator step

inward

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collimator step

outward

Distribution function evolves under diffusion with boundary condition at collimator

 $\partial_t f = \partial_J \left(D \cdot \partial_J f \right)$



Diffusion model fit to loss rate data



Comparison of beam halo diffusion in the Tevatron and in the LHC



Part II: The hollow electron beam collimator and halo diffusion

Hollow beam collimation in the Tevatron: layout of the beams



Hollow beam collimation in the Tevatron: layout of the beams



A good complement to a two-stage system for high intensities?

- ▶ Can be close to or even overlap with the main beam
 - no material damage
 - tunable strength ("variable thickness")
- Works as "soft scraper" by enhancing diffusion
- Low impedance
- Resonant excitation is possible (pulsed e-beam)
- No ion breakup
- Position control by magnetic fields (no motors or bellows)
- Established electron-cooling / electron-lens technology
 - Critical beam alignment
 - Space-charge evolution of hollow beam profile

- Stability of the beams at high intensity
- Cost

Experimental studies of hollow electron beam collimation

- ▶ Tevatron experiments (Oct. '10 Sep. '11) provided experimental foundation
- Main results
 - compatibility with collider operations
 - alignment is reliable and reproducible
 - smooth halo removal
 - removal rate vs. particle amplitude
 - **negligible effects on the core** (particle removal or emittance growth)
 - **suppression of loss-rate fluctuations** (beam jitter, tune changes)
 - effects on collimation efficiency
 - transverse beam halo diffusion enhancement
- First results:
 - ▶ Phys. Rev. Lett. **107**, 084802 (2011)
 - ▶ IPAC11, p. 1939
 - ► APS/DPF Proceedings, arXiv:1110.0144 [physics.acc-ph]

focus of this part of the talk

1-dimensional diffusion cartoon of collimation



1-dimensional diffusion cartoon with hollow electron beam



Measured effect of the hollow electron lens on diffusion in the Tevatron

Electrons (0.9 A) on pbar train #2, 4.25 σ hole Example of **vertical collimator step out**, 50 μ m



Measured effect of the hollow electron lens on diffusion in the Tevatron



Large diffusion enhancement in halo region

Application to the LHC and other facilities?

Numerical simulations

Understanding of Tevatron observations Predictions for SPS and LHC Main observables halo removal rates diffusion enhancement

Development of **hollow electron guns** Improve design/testing technology Produce prototypes for LHC

> Study possible TEL2 **integration in LHC or SPS** Preparatory work at FNAL Scientific and technical aspects

Lifetrac simulation of removal rates in the Tevatron



Lifetrac simulation: example of effects of hollow electron beam in LHC



Frequency map analysis (FMA) shows new resonances and increased tune jitter for particles between 4 and 6 sigma

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New 25-mm hollow gun



- > 25 mm outer diameter, 13.5 inner diameter
- Designed with LHC in mind: 2.2 A at 5 kV, 6.3 A at 10 kV
- Goal: test technical feasibility of larger and stronger scraper
- Characterized at Fermilab electron-lens test stand

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Candidate locations for electron lens in SPS and LHC



Conclusions

- ▶ Halo dynamics is often stochastic, due to the nature and number of effects in real machines
- Collimator scans are a sensitive tool for the study of halo diffusion vs. amplitude:
 - diffusion coefficients
 - beam populations
 - Ifetimes/fluxes
 - impact parameters
 - collimation efficiencies
- Magnetically confined hollow electron beams are a safe and flexible technique
- for halo control in high-power accelerators
 - Tevatron experiments provided experimental foundation
 - diffusion enhancement presented here
 - application to LHC being investigated
 - benefits for other facilities?

Thank you!